# BERNSTEIN-WALSH INEQUALITIES IN HIGHER DIMENSIONS OVER EXPONENTIAL CURVES

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ABSTRACT. Let  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \ldots, x_d) \in [-1, 1]^d$  be linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Z}$ , set  $K = \{(e^z, e^{x_1 z}, e^{x_2 z}, \ldots, e^{x_d z}) : |z| \leq 1\}$ . We prove sharp estimates for the growth of a polynomial of degree n, in terms of

$$E_n(\mathbf{x}) := \sup\{\|P\|_{\Delta^{d+1}} : P \in \mathcal{P}_n(d+1), \|P\|_K \le 1\},\$$

where  $\Delta^{d+1}$  is the unit polydisk. For all  $\mathbf{x} \in [-1, 1]^d$  with linearly independent entries, we have the lower estimate

$$\log E_n(\mathbf{x}) \ge \frac{n^{d+1}}{(d-1)!(d+1)} \log n - O(n^{d+1});$$

for Diophantine  $\mathbf{x}$ , we have

$$\log E_n(\mathbf{x}) \le \frac{n^{d+1}}{(d-1)!(d+1)} \log n + O(n^{d+1}).$$

In particular, this estimate holds for almost all  $\mathbf{x}$  with respect to Lebesgue measure. The results here generalize those of [6] for d = 1, without relying on estimates for best approximants of rational numbers which do not hold in the vector-valued setting.

# 1. INTRODUCTION

For any  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$  we let  $\Delta^{\ell}$  denote the unit polydisk

$$\{\mathbf{z} = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_\ell) \in \mathbb{C}^\ell : |z_i| \le 1, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell\}.$$

For a given  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  we consider a vector  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \ldots, x_d) \in [-1, 1]^d$  and a compact set

$$K = K(\mathbf{x}) = \{ (e^z, e^{x_1 z}, e^{x_2 z} \dots, e^{x_d z}) : |z| \le 1 \}.$$

For any  $n, \ell \in \mathbb{N}$  we let  $\mathcal{P}_n(\ell)$  denote the subspace of polynomials  $P \in \mathbb{C}[z_1, \ldots, z_\ell]$  of degree n. For any subset  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^\ell$  and polynomial P we define  $\|P\|_D = \{|P(\mathbf{z})| : \mathbf{z} \in D\}$ . We claim that  $\|\cdot\|_K$  defines a norm only if the set  $\{1, x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_d\}$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Z}$ , which is what we will assume throughout the paper. See the beginning of the next section for

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the justification of the claim. For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we let

$$E_n(\mathbf{x}) := \sup\{\|P\|_{\Delta^{d+1}} : P \in \mathcal{P}_n(d+1), \|P\|_K \le 1\}.$$

From the equivalence of the norms  $\|\cdot\|_{\Delta^{d+1}}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_K$  we see (c.f. [5]) for any  $\mathbf{z} = (z_0, z_1, \ldots, z_d) \in \mathbb{C}^{d+1}$  that

(1)  $|P(\mathbf{z})| \le ||P||_K E_n(\mathbf{x}) \exp(n \log^+ \max\{|z_0|, \dots, |z_d|\}).$ 

Let  $e_n(\mathbf{x}) = \log E_n(\mathbf{x})$ . On  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , we fix the maximum norm  $\|\cdot\|$  given by  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = \max_{1 \le \ell \le d} |x_\ell|$ . For any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  we let  $\langle x \rangle$  denote the distance from x to the nearest integer, that is,  $\langle x \rangle = \min\{|x-k| : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . We say that a vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is *Diophantine* if there exist  $\mu \ge d$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for any  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^d \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$  we have  $\langle \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle > \epsilon \|\mathbf{q}\|^{-\mu}$ . From Dirichlet's approximation theorem (see e.g. [9]) we know that there are no Diophantine vectors with  $\mu < d$ . For irrational  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  the growth of the exponent  $e_n(x)$  was studied in [6]. In particular, when d = 1, it was shown in [6, Corollary 1.3] that if  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is Diophantine then the exponent  $e_n(x)$  grows like  $\frac{1}{2}n^2 \log n$ . Our goal in this paper is to generalize this result for any  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ . We note that Bernstein-Walsh type inequalities on curves are much studied in the literature when d = 1, see e.g. [1, 4, 5] and references therein. On the other hand, as pointed out by [2] much less is known when d > 1 and one needs new techniques. Using the existence of exponential polynomials in  $\mathcal{P}_n(d+1)$  with a zero of order at least deg  $\mathcal{P}_n - 1$  we get the following.

**Theorem 1.1.** For any  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $\{1, x_1, \ldots, x_d\}$  linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Z}$  we have

$$e_n(\mathbf{x}) \ge \frac{n^{d+1}}{(d-1)!(d+1)} \log n - O(n^{d+1}),$$

where the implied constant depends on  $\mathbf{x}$  and d only.

In [2] it was proved that for general exponential curves the exponent  $e_n(x)$  is at most  $n^{3(d+1)}$ . However, in our situation we show that the upper estimate for the exponent  $e_n(x)$  can be improved and this exponent is sharp for generic x.

**Theorem 1.2.** If  $\mathbf{x} \in [-1,1]^d$  is Diophantine then for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

(2) 
$$e_n(\mathbf{x}) \le \frac{n^{d+1}}{(d-1)!(d+1)} \log n + O(n^{d+1}),$$

where the implied constant depends on  $\mathbf{x}$  and d only. In particular, (2) holds for a.e.  $\mathbf{x} \in [-1, 1]^d$ .

To prove their result Coman and Poletsky make use of the well developed theory of continued fractions in  $\mathbb{R}$ . As there is no good analogue of continued fractions theory in higher dimensions we will consider a different approach. We say that a vector  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \ldots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$  with  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_d\}$  linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is *Liouville* if it is not Diophantine, that is, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^d \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}$  such that  $\langle \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle < \|\mathbf{q}\|^{-n}$ . Let  $\mathcal{L}_d$  denote the set of Liouville vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Let  $W_d(\alpha)$  denote the set of vectors  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  such that there are infinitely many integer vectors  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  satisfying  $\langle \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle < \|\mathbf{q}\|^{-\alpha}$ . It was proved in [3] that the Hausdorff dimension of  $W_d(\alpha)$  is  $(d-1) + \frac{d+1}{1+\alpha}$ . Since  $\mathcal{L}_d = \bigcap_{\alpha \geq d} W_d(\alpha)$ , it follows that the Hausdorff dimension of  $\mathcal{L}_d$  is at most d-1. In particular,  $\mathcal{L}_d$  has zero Lebesgue measure which justifies the last part of Theorem 1.2.

We note that for any nonzero  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  the set  $\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d : \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x} = 0\}$  is a hyperplane in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and is contained in  $\mathcal{L}_d$ . Together with the above upper estimate we get that the set  $\mathcal{L}_d$  of Liouville *d*-vectors has Hausdorff dimension d-1.

We now turn to discuss the exceptional set of points in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  for which  $e_n(\mathbf{x})$  grows faster than  $Cn^{d+1} \log n$ . To this end, we define the set

$$W(d) = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in [-1, 1]^d : \limsup_{\|\mathbf{q}\| \to \infty} \frac{-\log\langle \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{q}\|^{d+1} \log \|\mathbf{q}\|} = \infty \right\},\$$

where  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^d := \{(q_1, \dots, q_d) \in \mathbb{Z}^d : q_1, \dots, q_d \ge 0\}.$ 

**Theorem 1.3.** For any  $\mathbf{x} \in W(d)$ ,  $\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{e_n(\mathbf{x})}{n^{d+1} \log n} = \infty$ .

It is easy to see (e.g. from Theorem 1.2) that  $W(d) \subset \mathcal{L}_d$  so that it has Hausdorff dimension at most d-1. In fact, we have

**Theorem 1.4.** Hausdorff dimension of the exceptional set W(d) is d-1.

It was proved in [6] that when d = 1 the set of points x for which  $e_n(x)$  grow faster than  $\frac{1}{2}n^2 \log n$  is uncountable. For d > 1, since the Hausdorff dimension of W(d) is positive we in particular get that W(d) is uncountable. Thus, for any  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  the set of points  $\mathbf{x}$  for which  $e_n(\mathbf{x})$  grow faster than  $\frac{1}{(d-1)!(d+1)}n^{d+1}\log n$  is uncountable and has Hausdorff dimension d-1.

In the next section we will prove Theorem 1.2 and in § 3 we obtain Theorem 1.1, Theorem 1.3, and Theorem 1.4.

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### 2. Upper estimate

Before beginning with the main work, we prove the fact which allows us to assert that  $\|\cdot\|_K$  defines a norm only if  $\{1, x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_d\}$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Z}$ , as claimed in the introduction. This follows from the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $y_1, y_2, \ldots y_l$  be distinct real numbers. Then  $e^{y_1 z}, \ldots e^{y_l z}$  are linearly independent over **C**.

The proof of the lemma is left to the reader. We apply Lemma 2.1 to an equation  $P(e^z, e^{x_1z}, \ldots e^{x_nz}) = 0$  for some polynomial P. The linear independence of the  $x_i$ 's implies that exponent coefficients in the expansion will be distinct; using the lemma, we get that all the coefficients of P are 0. The claim follows.

The remaining of the section is devoted to prove Theorem 1.2. We state [6, Lemma 2.4]

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $x \leq y$  be given. For any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$\prod_{j=x}^{y} |j-\alpha| \ge \langle \alpha \rangle \left(\frac{y-x}{2e}\right)^{y-x}.$$

Let  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  be given. For any  $\ell \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  with  $m_1, \dots, m_d \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$  we define

(3) 
$$\beta(\ell, \mathbf{m}) = \prod_{j_0+j_1+\dots+j_d \le n, (j_0, \mathbf{j}) \ne (\ell, \mathbf{m})} ((\ell - j_0) + (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{j}) \cdot \mathbf{x})$$

where each  $\mathbf{j} = (j_1, \ldots, j_d) \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  has nonnegative components and also  $j_0 \geq 0$ . We will need the following estimate.

**Proposition 2.3.** If **x** is Diophantine, then there exists a constant  $C_{\mathbf{x},d} > 0$  such that

$$\log |\beta(\ell, \mathbf{m})| \ge \frac{1}{(d+1)!} n^{d+1} \log n - C_{\mathbf{x}, d} n^{d+1}.$$

To obtain the proposition we need the following lemmas. We set  $|\mathbf{j}| = j_1 + \cdots + j_d$ . Arguing inductively on d it is easy to see that

**Lemma 2.4.** For any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , the set  $\{\mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{Z}^d : |\mathbf{j}| = m, j_1, \dots, j_d \ge 0\}$  has cardinality  $C(m+d-1, d-1) = \binom{m+d-1}{d-1}$ .

Lemma 2.5. We have

$$\int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{d-1} x \log x \, dx \ge \frac{1}{d(d+1)} n^{d+1} \log n - C_d n^{d+1}.$$

*Proof.* We claim for any  $m, \ell \geq 1$  that

$$\int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{m} x^{\ell} \log x \, dx \ge \frac{m}{\ell+1} \left[ \int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{m-1} x^{\ell+1} \log x \, dx - \frac{n^{m+\ell+1}}{\ell+1} \right].$$

We first note from integration by parts that

$$\int x^{\ell} \log x \, dx = \frac{x^{\ell+1}}{\ell+1} \log x - \int \frac{x^{\ell}}{\ell+1} dx = \frac{x^{\ell+1}}{\ell+1} \log x - \frac{x^{\ell+1}}{(\ell+1)^2} + C.$$

Now, using integration by parts again we obtain:

$$\int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{m} x^{\ell} \log x \, dx = (n-x)^{m} \left( \frac{x^{\ell+1}}{\ell+1} \log x - \frac{x^{\ell+1}}{(\ell+1)^{2}} \right) \Big|_{1}^{n} + \int_{1}^{n} m(n-x)^{m-1} \left( \frac{x^{\ell+1}}{\ell+1} \log x - \frac{x^{\ell+1}}{(\ell+1)^{2}} \right) \, dx.$$

We note that  $(n-x)^{m-1}x^{\ell+1} \leq n^{m+\ell}$  for  $x \in [1, n]$ . Thus, simplifying we get

$$\begin{split} \int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{m} x^{\ell} \log x \, dx &\geq \frac{(n-1)^{m}}{(\ell+1)^{2}} + \frac{m}{\ell+1} \int_{1}^{n} \left[ (n-x)^{m-1} x^{\ell+1} \log x - \frac{n^{m+\ell}}{\ell+1} \right] \, dx \\ &\geq \frac{m}{\ell+1} \left[ \int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{m-1} x^{\ell+1} \log x \, dx - \frac{n^{m+\ell+1}}{\ell+1} \right]. \end{split}$$

To prove the lemma we iterate the claim:

$$\begin{split} \int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{d-1} x \log x \, dx &\geq \frac{d-1}{2} \left[ \int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{d-2} x^{2} \log x \, dx - \frac{n^{d+1}}{2} \right] \\ &\geq \frac{d-1}{2} \left[ \frac{d-2}{3} \left( \int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{d-3} x^{3} \log x \, dx - \frac{n^{d+1}}{3} \right) - \frac{n^{d+1}}{2} \right] \\ &\geq \cdots \\ &\geq \frac{(d-1)!}{d!} \int_{1}^{n} x^{d} \log x \, dx - C'_{d} n^{d+1} \\ &= \frac{1}{d(d+1)} n^{d+1} \log n - C_{d} n^{d+1}. \end{split}$$

We state without proof the following

**Lemma 2.6.** Let m < n be integers and  $f : [m, n] \to [0, \infty)$  be a continuous function with exactly one local maximum in [m, n] and f(m) = f(n) = 0. Then, we have

$$\left|\sum_{k=m}^{n} f(k) - \int_{m}^{n} f(x) \, dx\right| \le \max_{m \le x \le n} f(x).$$

Proof of Proposition 2.3. We have

$$|\beta(\ell, \mathbf{m})| \geq \prod_{|\mathbf{j}| \leq n, \, \mathbf{j} \neq \mathbf{m}} \prod_{j_0=0}^{n-|\mathbf{j}|} |(\ell - j_0) + (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{j}) \cdot \mathbf{x}|.$$

Since **x** is Diophantine of order  $\mu$  we may find some  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $\langle \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle \geq \epsilon \|\mathbf{q}\|^{-\mu}$ . Using Lemma 2.2 we get

$$\begin{split} |\beta(\ell,\mathbf{m})| &\geq \prod_{|\mathbf{j}| \leq n, \, \mathbf{j} \neq \mathbf{m}} \prod_{j=-\ell}^{n-|\mathbf{j}|-\ell} |j - (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{j}) \cdot \mathbf{x}| \\ &\geq \prod_{|\mathbf{j}| \leq n, \, \mathbf{j} \neq \mathbf{m}} \left( \frac{n-|\mathbf{j}|}{2e} \right)^{n-|\mathbf{j}|} \langle (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{j}) \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle \\ &\geq \prod_{|\mathbf{j}| \leq n, \, \mathbf{j} \neq \mathbf{m}} \left( \frac{n-|\mathbf{j}|}{2e} \right)^{n-|\mathbf{j}|} \prod_{|\mathbf{j}| \leq n, \, \mathbf{j} \neq \mathbf{m}} \epsilon ||\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{j}||^{-\mu} \\ &= \left( \prod_{k=1}^{n} \prod_{|\mathbf{j}|=n-k, \, \mathbf{j} \neq \mathbf{m}} \left( \frac{k}{2e} \right)^{k} \right) \left( \prod_{|\mathbf{j}| \leq n, \, \mathbf{j} \neq \mathbf{m}} \epsilon ||\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{j}||^{-\mu} \right). \end{split}$$

We set

$$A := \prod_{k=1}^{n} \prod_{|\mathbf{j}|=n-k, \, \mathbf{j}\neq\mathbf{m}} k^{k}, B := \prod_{k=1}^{n} \prod_{|\mathbf{j}|=n-k, \, \mathbf{j}\neq\mathbf{m}} (2e)^{-k}, C := \prod_{|\mathbf{j}|\leq n, \, \mathbf{j}\neq\mathbf{m}} \epsilon \|\mathbf{m}-\mathbf{j}\|^{-\mu}.$$

We now estimate each of A, B, C separately. Since the set  $\{\mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{Z}^d : |\mathbf{j}| \le n\}$  has cardinality at most  $(n+1)^d$  and  $\|\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{j}\| \le n$  for any  $|\mathbf{j}| \le n$  we get that

$$C = \prod_{|\mathbf{j}| \le n, \, \mathbf{j} \neq \mathbf{m}} \epsilon \|\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{j}\|^{-\mu} \ge \prod_{|\mathbf{j}| \le n} \epsilon n^{-\mu} \ge \epsilon^{(n+1)^d} n^{-\mu(n+1)^d} \ge \epsilon^{(2n)^d} n^{-\mu(2n)^d}.$$

Thus,

(4) 
$$\log C \ge -\mu 2^d n^d \log n + 2^d n^d \log \epsilon.$$

Using Lemma 2.4 together with the trivial bound we get

$$\log A \ge \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \sum_{|\mathbf{j}|=n-k} k \log k\right) - n \log n$$
$$= \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \binom{n-k+d-1}{d-1} k \log k\right) - n \log n$$
$$\ge \left(\frac{1}{(d-1)!} \sum_{k=1}^{n} (n-k)^{d-1} k \log k\right) - n \log n.$$

It is easy to see that the function  $f: [1, n] \to [0, \infty)$  given by  $f(x) = (n - x)^{d-1} x \log x$  satisfies Lemma 2.6 for d > 1. Thus, when d > 1, Lemma 2.5

and Lemma 2.6 give

$$\log A \ge \frac{1}{(d-1)!} \left( \int_{1}^{n} (n-x)^{d-1} x \log x \, dx - \max_{1 \le x \le n} f(x) \right) - n \log n$$
$$\ge \frac{1}{(d-1)!} \left( \frac{1}{d(d+1)} n^{d+1} \log n - C_d n^{d+1} - n^d \log n \right) - n \log n.$$

On the other hand, for d = 1, following [6], we use the estimate (c.f. [5, Lemma 2.1])  $\sum_{k=1}^{n} k \log k \ge \frac{n^2 \log n}{2} - \frac{n^2}{4}$  to obtain

$$\log A \ge \frac{1}{2}n^2 \log n - \frac{n^2}{4} - n \log n.$$

Hence, for any  $d \ge 1$  it holds

(5) 
$$\log A \ge \frac{1}{(d+1)!} n^{d+1} \log n - 3C_d n^{d+1}.$$

As for the estimating log B, we note that since  $C(n-k+d-1,d-1) \leq \frac{n^{d-1}}{(d-1)!} + O(n^{d-2})$  for any  $k \in [1,n]$  we get

(6) 
$$\log B \ge -\sum_{k=1}^{n} \sum_{|\mathbf{j}|=n-k} k \log(2e) = -\sum_{k=1}^{n} \binom{n-k+d-1}{d-1} k \log(2e)$$
  
 $\ge -\frac{1}{(d-1)!} n^{d+1} - O(n^d),$ 

where the implied constant depends d only. Thus, combining (4), (5) and (6) we arrive at

$$\log|\beta(\ell, \mathbf{m})| > \frac{1}{(d+1)!} n^{d+1} \log n - C_{d,\mu,\epsilon} n^{d+1}.$$

Proof of Theorem 1.2. Let  $N = \dim \mathcal{P}_n - 1$ , so that  $N = \binom{n+d+1}{n} - 1$ .

Fix some  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n$  with  $||P||_K \leq 1$ . Define

$$P(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_{j_0 + j_1 + \dots + j_d \le n} c(j_0, \mathbf{j}) z_0^{j_0} \cdots z_d^{j_d} \text{ and } f(z) = P(e^z, e^{x_1 z}, \dots, e^{x_d z}),$$

where  $j_0, \ldots, j_d \ge 0$ . Then,

$$f(z) = \sum_{j_0+j_1+\dots+j_d \le n} c(j_0, \mathbf{j}) e^{(j_0+\mathbf{j}\cdot\mathbf{x})z}.$$

For any polynomial  $R(\lambda) = \sum_{j=0}^{m} c_j \lambda^j$  we introduce the differential operator

$$D_R = R\left(\frac{d}{dz}\right) = \sum_{j=0}^m c_j \frac{d^j}{dz^j}.$$

We note that for any  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  we have

(7) 
$$D_R(e^{az})|_{z=0} = \sum_{j=0}^m c_j a^j = R(a)$$

To estimate  $c(\ell, \mathbf{m})$  we set

$$R_{\ell,\mathbf{m}}(\lambda) = \prod_{j_0+j_1+\dots+j_d \le n, (j_0,\mathbf{j}) \ne (\ell,\mathbf{m})} (\lambda - (j_0 + \mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{x})) = \sum_{t=0}^N a_t \lambda^t.$$

For any  $\lambda \geq 0$  we have

$$\sum_{t=0}^{N} |a_t| \lambda^t \leq \prod_{j_0+j_1+\dots+j_d \leq n, (j_0, \mathbf{j}) \neq (\ell, \mathbf{m})} (\lambda + |j_0 + \mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{x}|) \leq (\lambda + n)^N.$$

From (7) we note that

$$D_{R_{\ell,\mathbf{m}}}(e^{(j_0+\mathbf{j}\cdot\mathbf{x})z})|_{z=0} = \begin{cases} R_{\ell,\mathbf{m}}(\ell+\mathbf{m}\cdot\mathbf{x}) & \text{if } (j_0,\mathbf{j}) = (\ell,\mathbf{m}), \\ 0 & \text{if } (j_0,\mathbf{j}) \neq (\ell,\mathbf{m}). \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$D_{R_{\ell,\mathbf{m}}}(f(z))\mid_{z=0} = c(\ell,\mathbf{m})\beta(\ell,\mathbf{m})$$

where  $\beta$  is defined in (3).

On the other hand, using  $||P||_K \le 1$  and Cauchy's inequality we get (8)  $|f^{(t)}(0)| \le t! \le N^t$  whenever  $t \le N$ .

This implies that

$$\left| D_{R_{\ell,\mathbf{m}}}(f(z)) \right|_{z=0} \right| = \left| \sum_{t=0}^{N} a_t f^{(t)}(0) \right| \le \sum_{t=0}^{N} |a_t| N^t \le (N+n)^N.$$

Therefore,

$$\log(|c(\ell, \mathbf{m})\beta(\ell, \mathbf{m})|) \le N\log(N+n).$$

Using Proposition 2.3 we obtain

$$\begin{split} \log(|c(\ell,\mathbf{m})|) &\leq N \log(N+n) - \log|\beta(\ell,\mathbf{m})| \\ &\leq N \log(N+n) - \frac{1}{(d+1)!} n^{d+1} \log n + C_{\mathbf{x},d} n^{d+1} \end{split}$$

Since  $\|P\|_{\Delta^d} \leq \sum |c(j_0, \mathbf{j})| \leq (N+1) \max |c(j_0, \mathbf{j})|$  we deduce that

$$e_n(\mathbf{x}) \le N \log(N+n) - \frac{1}{(d+1)!} n^{d+1} \log n + C_{\mathbf{x},d} n^{d+1} + \log(N+1).$$

Finally, using

(9) 
$$N = C(n+d+1,d+1) - 1 = \frac{n^{d+1}}{(d+1)!} + O(n^d)$$

we obtain  $N\log(N+n) \leq N\log N + O(N) = \frac{1}{d!}n^{d+1}\log n + O(n^{d+1}).$  Hence,

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$$e_n(\mathbf{x}) \le \frac{n^{d+1}}{(d-1)!(d+1)} \log n + O(n^{d+1}).$$

#### 3. Lower estimate and Hausdorff dimension

We first start proving Theorem 1.1. It is essentially contained in the proof of [5, Proposition 1.3] as pointed out by D. Coman and for completeness we recall it here.

Proof of Theorem 1.1. Fix  $P \in \mathcal{P}_n(d+1)$  with  $ord(P(e^z, e^{x_1z}, \ldots, e^{x_dz}), 0) \ge N$ . We have  $P \not\equiv 0$  implies  $P(e^z, e^{x_1z}, \ldots, e^{x_dz}) \not\equiv 0$ . We let  $f(z) = \frac{1}{\|P\|_K} P(e^z, e^{x_1z}, \ldots, e^{x_dz})$  so that  $\|f\|_{\Delta^1} = 1$  then  $\max_{|z|=r} |f(z)| \ge r^N, r \ge 1$ . From (1) we get for any |z| = r

$$r^N \le E_n(\mathbf{x}) \exp(n \log^+ \max\{|e^z|, |e^{x_1 z}|, \dots, |e^{x_d z}|\}) \le E_n(\mathbf{x}) e^{nC_0 r},$$

where  $C_0 = \max\{1, \|\mathbf{x}\|\}$ . Taking r = N/n we see that

$$N\log\frac{N}{n} \le e_n(\mathbf{x}) + C_0 N.$$

Using (9) we have

$$N\log\frac{N}{n} = \frac{n^{d+1}}{(d-1)!(d+1)}\log n + O(n^d\log n),$$

which gives

$$e_n(\mathbf{x}) \ge \frac{n^{d+1}}{(d-1)!(d+1)} \log n - O(n^{d+1}).$$

Now we prove Theorem 1.3 which provides us with the exceptional set of points  $\mathbf{x}$  that does not satisfy Theorem 1.2.

Proof of Theorem 1.3. Let  $\mathbf{x} \in W(d)$  and  $(\mathbf{q}_{\ell})_{\geq 1}$  be a sequence satisfying

(10) 
$$C(\ell) = \frac{-\log\langle \mathbf{q}_{\ell} \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\|^{\mathbf{d}+1} \log \|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\|} \to \infty \text{ as } \ell \to \infty.$$

For a given  $\ell \ge 0$  we let  $n = d \|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\|$  and  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $\langle \mathbf{q}_{\ell} \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle = |\mathbf{q}_{\ell} \cdot \mathbf{x} - p|$ . Since  $\|\mathbf{x}\| \le 1$  we see that  $|p| \le d \|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\|$ . Then, the polynomial P given by

$$P(z_0, z_1, \dots, z_d) = z_0^p - \prod_{\ell=1}^d z_\ell^{q_\ell}$$

is in  $\mathcal{P}_n(d+1)$ . Clearly,  $||P||_{\Delta^{d+1}} = 2$ . Using  $|1 - e^{\xi}| \le 2|\xi|$  for  $|\xi| \le 1$  we get

$$|P(e^z, e^{x_1 z}, \dots, e^{x_d z})| = |e^{pz}(1 - e^{(\mathbf{q}_\ell \cdot \mathbf{x} - p)z})| \le 2e^n \langle \mathbf{q}_\ell \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle,$$

whenever  $|z| \leq 1$ . Therefore,

$$E_n(\mathbf{x}) \ge \|P\|_{\Delta^{d+1}} / \|P\|_K \ge e^{-n} \frac{1}{\langle \mathbf{q}_\ell \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle}.$$

So, using (10) we get

$$e_n(\mathbf{x}) = \log E_n(\mathbf{x}) \ge C(\ell) \|\mathbf{q}_\ell\|^{d+1} \log \|\mathbf{q}_\ell\| - n$$
$$= C(\ell) \left(\frac{n}{d}\right)^{d+1} \log \frac{n}{d} - n.$$

Thus,

$$\frac{e_n(\mathbf{x})}{n^{d+1}\log n} \ge \frac{1}{d^{d+1}}C(\ell) - \frac{1}{n} \to \infty \text{ as } \ell \to \infty. \quad \Box$$

It remains to give the proof of Theorem 1.4.

*Proof of Theorem 1.4.* We will use ubiquitous systems introduced in [8] as a method of computing Hausdorff dimension of lim-sup sets. We consider the family  $\mathcal{R} = \{ R(\mathbf{q}) : \mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^d \}$  where for any  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  we set  $R(\mathbf{q}) := \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^d \}$  $\mathbb{R}^d : \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $\psi : \mathbb{N} \to [0, 1]$  be a decreasing function converging to 0 at the infinity. Define

$$\Lambda(\mathcal{R};\psi) = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in [-1,1]^d : \operatorname{dist}(\mathbf{x}, R(\mathbf{q})) < \psi(\|\mathbf{q}\|) \text{ for infinitely many } R(\mathbf{q}) \right\},\$$

where  $dist(\mathbf{x}, S) = inf_{\mathbf{y} \in S} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|$ . For any such  $\psi$ , we will prove that the Hausdorff dimension of  $\Lambda(\mathcal{R}; \psi)$  is at least d-1. Then, for  $\psi(n) = n^{-n^{d+2}}$ we will show that  $\Lambda(\mathcal{R}; \psi) \subset W(d)$  which will finish the proof.

Let  $I^d$  denote the hypercube  $\left[-\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}\right]^d$  of unit length. It is well-known (see e.g.[7]) that the family  $\{R(\mathbf{q}): \mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^d\}$  is ubiquitous with respect to  $\rho(Q) :=$  $dQ^{-1-d}\log Q$  in the sense that

$$\left| I^{d} \setminus \bigcup_{1 \le \|\mathbf{q}\| \le N} B(R(\mathbf{q}); \delta(N)) \right| \to 0 \text{ as } N \to \infty,$$

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 $B(R(\mathbf{q}); \delta) = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d : \operatorname{dist}(\mathbf{x}, R(\mathbf{q})) < \delta \}.$  However, it is not clear if the family  $\mathcal{R} = \{R(\mathbf{q}) : \mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^d\}$  is ubiquitous with respect to the same  $\rho$ . However, for our purposes we do not need to try to optimize  $\rho$ . Simply consider the constant function  $\rho \equiv 1$ , then for  $\mathbf{q} = (0, \dots, 0, 1)$  we have  $I^d \subset$  $B(R(\mathbf{q}); 1)$  so that  $\mathcal{R}$  is ubiquitous w.r.t 1. Since  $\gamma := \limsup_{Q \to \infty} \frac{\log \rho(Q)}{\log \psi(Q)} =$ 0, it follows from [8, Theorem 1] that the Hausdorff dimension of  $\Lambda(\mathcal{R}; \psi)$  is at least dim  $\mathcal{R} + \gamma \operatorname{codim} \mathcal{R} = d - 1$ .

We now claim that  $\Lambda(\mathcal{R}; \psi) \subset W(d)$  when  $\psi(n) = n^{-n^{d+2}}$ . For  $\mathbf{x} \in \Lambda(\mathcal{R}; \psi)$ let  $(\mathbf{q}_{\ell})_{\geq \ell}$  denote the sequence such that  $\operatorname{dist}(\mathbf{x}, R(\mathbf{q}_{\ell})) < \psi(||\mathbf{q}||)$  and all  $R(\mathbf{q}_{\ell})$  are distinct. Then, for any  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  we have  $\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x} \notin \mathbb{Z}$  which means

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 $\{1, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d\}$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $\mathbf{y} \in R(\mathbf{q}_\ell)$  be such that  $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| < \psi(\|\mathbf{q}\|)$ . We choose  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $\mathbf{q}_\ell \cdot \mathbf{y} = p$ . Then,

$$\langle \mathbf{q}_{\ell} \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle \leq \|\mathbf{q}_{\ell} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{q}_{\ell} \cdot \mathbf{y} - p\| \leq \|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\| \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| < \psi(\|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\|)$$

Hence,  $\mathbf{x} \in W(d)$  as  $\frac{-\log\langle \mathbf{q}_{\ell} \cdot \mathbf{x} \rangle}{\|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\|^{d+1} \log \|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\|} \ge \|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\|$  and  $\|\mathbf{q}_{\ell}\| \to \infty$  with  $\ell \to \infty$ .  $\Box$ 

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