

Approximation Properties of a Sequence of Linear and Positive Operators

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Abstract: In this paper we study the techniques of linear combinations starting from the studies made by H. Bohman (1952), P.L. Butzer (1953; [2]), (P.P. Korovkin (1953); [11]), T. Popovici (1959; [13]), D.D. Stancu ([15]) respectively the results obtained by E. W. Cheney and A. Sharma [3], S. Eisenberg and B. Wood [16], M. Frențiu [5], A. Lupaș [9], [10], R. Martini [12]. We define the linear combinations for Favard-Szász S_n operators we obtain different estimation of the remainder for $S_n^{[2k]}$ operator.

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1 Introduction

The Favard - Szász operators are defined by

$$(S_n f)(x) = e^{-nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right),$$

($n = 1, 2, \dots$),. If further f is twice differentiable at x , there holds the asymptotic relation

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n[(S_n f)(x) - f(x)] = \frac{x}{2} f''(x).$$

For their proofs etc. see E. W. Cheney and A. Sharma [3], S. Eisenberg and B. Wood [4], M. Frențiu [5], A. Lupaș [7], [8], R. Martini [12], B. Wood [16].

We derive a few basic formulae about Favard - Szász operators. We define

$$\delta_{n,r} = e^{-nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k}{n} - x\right)^r \frac{(nx)^k}{k!}$$

and $m_{n,r} = n^r \delta_{n,r}$, $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

We have

$$\delta_{n,m} = \frac{x}{n^{m-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} \binom{m-1}{k} n^k \delta_{n,k}. \quad (1)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} &\delta'_{n,m} = -n\delta_{n,m} + \\ &+ e^{-nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-m) \left(\frac{k}{n} - x\right)^{m-1} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!} + \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &+ e^{-nx} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k}{n} - x\right)^m \frac{(nx)^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} n = \\ &= -n\delta_{n,m} - m\delta_{n,m-1} + \frac{n}{x}(\delta_{n,m+1} + x\delta_{n,m}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\delta_{n,m+1} = \frac{x}{n}(\delta'_{n,m} + m\delta_{n,m-1}), \quad (2)$$

$$m_{n,m+1} = x(m'_{n,m} + nm m_{n,m-1}).$$

Science $\delta_{n,0} = 1$, $\delta_{n,1} = 0$, using (1) or (2) we easily find (see M. Frențiu [5])

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{n,2} &= \frac{x}{n}, \quad \delta_{n,3} = \frac{x}{n^2}, \quad \delta_{n,4} = \frac{3x^2}{n^2} + \frac{x}{n^3}, \\ \delta_{n,5} &= \frac{10x^2}{n^3} + \frac{x}{n^4}, \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\delta_{n,6} = \frac{15x^3}{n^3} + \frac{25x^2}{n^4} + \frac{x}{n^5}, \dots$$

Let us assume that for $k < m$,

$$\delta_{n,k} = \mathcal{O}\left(1/n^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor}\right)$$

where $\lfloor t \rfloor$ denotes the smallest integer not less than t .

By (1) we have

$$\delta_{n,m} = \frac{x}{n^{m-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} \binom{m-1}{k} n^k \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{n^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor}}\right) =$$

$$= \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{n^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor}}\right).$$

Hence by (3) we find that

$$\delta_{n,m} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{n^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor}}\right), \quad m = 2, 3, \dots \quad (4)$$

Let $f(t)$ be a function bounded on all segments of non-negative real axis such that $f^{(2k)}(t)$ exists at $t = x$ and that $f(t)$ does not grow more rapidly than some power of t as $t \rightarrow \infty$. In fact using of S. Eisenberg and B. Wood [4] we may take f to be of exponential type α for some $\alpha > 0$. It follows therefore that (see [14])

$$(S_n f)(x) = f(x) + \sum_{j=1}^{2k} \frac{f^{(j)}(x)}{j!} \delta_{n,j}(x) + \frac{\varepsilon_n}{n^j}, \quad (5)$$

where $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. From (3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} m_{n,0} &= 1, & m_{n,1} &= 0, & m_{n,2} &= nx, & m_{n,3} &= nx, \\ m_{n,4} &= 3n^2x^2 + nx, & m_{n,5} &= 10x^2n^2 + nx, \\ m_{n,6} &= 15n^3x^3 + 25n^2x^2 + nx, \dots; \end{aligned}$$

and in general we can write $m_{n,r}$ as a polynomial in n , of the form similar to the one of Bernstein polynomials

$$\begin{aligned} m_{n,r}(x) &= \psi_{r,r'}(x)n^{r'} + \psi_{r,r'-1}(x)n^{r'-1} + \\ &+ \psi_{r,r'-2}(x)n^{r'-2} + \dots + \psi_{r,1}(x)n, \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

which is of degree $r' = \left\lfloor \frac{1}{2}r \right\rfloor$, where $\lfloor t \rfloor$ denotes the largest integer not greater than t , with $\psi_{n,r'-i}$ being polynomials in x , independent of n .

2 The linear combination of Favard - Szász operators

We define the same combination for these operators as P.L. Butzer used for $(B_n f)(x)$. Thus the combinations $(S_n^{[2k]} f)(x)$ of $(S_n f)(x)$ are defined inductively as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} S_n^{[0]} &\equiv S_n, \\ (2^k - 1)S_n^{[2k]} &\equiv 2^k S_{2n}^{[2k-2]} - S_n^{[2k-2]}, \quad (7) \\ S_n^{[2k]} e_0 &= e_0. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$S_n^{[2k]} = \alpha_k S_{2^k n} + \alpha_{k-1} S_{2^{k-1} n} + \dots + \alpha_0 S_n, \quad (8)$$

where α_i are real constants depending on k only such that

$$\alpha_k + \alpha_{k-1} + \dots + \alpha_0 = 1. \quad (9)$$

Let us note that only those values of f that are needed in computing $S_{2^k n}$ are utilized in constructing $S_n^{[2k]}$.

Let us define the quantities $\xi_{n,r}^{[2k]}(x)$, $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots; k = 0, 1, 2, \dots; n = 1, 2, \dots$, by

$$\xi_{n,r}^{[0]} \equiv \delta_{n,r}, \quad (10)$$

$$(2^k - 1)\xi_{n,r}^{[2k]} = 2^k \xi_{2n,r}^{[2k-2]} - \xi_{n,r}^{[2k-2]}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

As in the case of Bernstein polynomials we have

Lemma 1 *If $f^{(2k+2s)}(x)$ exists at the point x , then*

$$S_n^{[2k]}(x) = f(x) + \sum_{r=1}^{2(k+s)} \frac{f^{(r)}(x)}{r!} \xi_{n,r}^{[2k]}(x) + \frac{\varepsilon_n}{n^{k+s}}, \quad (11)$$

where $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. It is the same as that for Bernstein Polynomials. Assume (11) holds; then if $f^{(2k+2s+2)}(x)$ exists, we show that (11) holds with k replaced by $k + 1$ and since (11) is true for $k = 0$ by (5), the proof will follow by induction. We have

$$S_n^{[2k]}(x) = r(x) + \sum_{r=1}^{2k+2s+2} \frac{f^{(r)}(x)}{r!} \xi_{n,r}^{[2k]}(x) + \frac{\varepsilon_n}{n^{k+s+1}},$$

replacing s by $s + 1$ in (11). By (7) and (10) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (2^{k+1} - 1) \left[S_n^{[2k+2]}(x) - f(x) \right] &= \\ &= 2^{k+1} \left[S_{2n}^{[2k]} - f \right] - \left[S_n^{[2k]} - f \right] = \\ &= 2^{k+1} \sum_{r=1}^{2k+2s+2} \frac{f^{(r)}(x)}{r!} \xi_{2n,r}^{[2k]}(x) - \\ &- \sum_{r=1}^{2k+2s+2} \frac{f^{(r)}(x)}{r!} \xi_{n,r}^{[2k]}(x) + \frac{\varepsilon_n}{n^{k+s+1}}, \end{aligned}$$

which proves the lemma.

Now we state our main theorem giving the approximation for $2k$ - times differentiable function by $S_n^{[2k]}(x)$. The proof is the same as for Bernstein polynomials.

Theorem 2 If $f^{(2k)}(x)$ exists at the point x , then

$$\left| S_n^{[2k-2]}(x) - f(x) \right| = \mathcal{O}(n^{-k}) \quad (12)$$

and

$$\left| S_n^{[2k]}(x) - f(x) \right| = o(n^{-k}), \quad (13)$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty, k = 1, 2, \dots$

Proof. By lemma 1

$$S_n^{[2k]} - f = \sum_{r=1}^{2k} \frac{f^{(r)}(x)}{r!} \xi_{n,r}^{[2k]} + \frac{\varepsilon_n}{n^k},$$

$\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$. So, if we show that

$$\sum_{r=1}^{2k} \frac{f^{(r)}(x)}{r!} \xi_{n,r}^{[2k]} = \mathcal{O}(n^{-k-1}), \quad (14)$$

then (13) will follow. First we prove

Lemma 3 With $\xi_{n,r}^{[2k]}$ defined by (10)

$$\xi_{n,r}^{[2k]}(x) = 0 \text{ for } 1 \leq r \leq k + 1, \quad (15)$$

$$\xi_{n,r}^{[2k]}(x) = \mathcal{O}(n^{-k-1}) \text{ for } r = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (16)$$

To prove it, by (6) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_{n,r}^{[0]}(x) &= \psi_{r,r'}(x) \bar{n}^{(r-r')} + \dots \\ &+ \psi_{r,r'-1}(x) \bar{n}^{(r-r'+1)} + \dots + \psi_{r,1}(x) n^{-(r-1)}. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

The difference operator connecting $\xi^{[2k]}$ with $\xi^{[2k-2]}$ transform n^{-s} to $(2^{k-s} - 1)n^{-s}$ which is zero if $k = s$ exactly as in the case of Bernstein polynomials. Thus, operating on the right-hand side of (17) with difference operators for $s = 1, 2, 3, \dots, k$ and omitting vanishing terms we have

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_{n,r}^{[2k]}(x) &= \psi_{k+1}(x) n^{-(k+1)} + \dots \\ &\dots + \psi_{r-1}(x) n^{-(r-1)}, \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

where the $\psi_i(x)$ are polynomials in x independent of n . This proves (16). For $k + 1 > r - 1$, all terms vanish and (15) follows, proving lemma.

Thus (13) and (17) follows by lemma 1 and (16), and the proof of the theorem is complete.

In particular for $k = 3$ in the theorem the explicit formulae are

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^3 \left[S_n^{[4]}(x) - f(x) \right] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^3 \left[\frac{8}{3} S_{4n}(f; x) - \right.$$

$$\left. -2S_{2n}(f; x) + \frac{1}{3} S_n(f; x) - f(x) \right] = \quad (19)$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} x \frac{f^{(4)}(x)}{4!} + \frac{5}{4} x^2 \frac{f^{(5)}(x)}{5!} + \frac{15}{8} x^3 \frac{f^{(6)}(x)}{6!}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^3 \left[S_n^{[6]}(x) - f(x) \right] = \\ &\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^3 \left[\frac{64}{21} S_{8n}(f; x) - \frac{56}{21} S_{4n}(f; x) + \right. \quad (20) \\ &\left. + \frac{14}{21} S_{2n}(f; x) - \frac{1}{21} S_n(f; x) - f(x) \right] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

3 Approximation of function in $C^{2k}[0, a]$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Y} = \{f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, |f(x)| \leq A(f)e^{Bx}, \\ A(f) > 0, B > 0\} \end{aligned}$$

and $f \in C^{2k}[0, a], a > 0$.

Theorem 4 Let $f \in \mathcal{Y} \cap C^{2k}[0, a], a > 0$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| (S_n^{[2k]} f)(x) - f(x) \right| \leq \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \frac{C}{n^k} \omega \left(f^{(2k)}; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right), \frac{C'}{n^{k+1}} \right\}, \quad x \in [0, a] \end{aligned}$$

where $C = C(k)$ and $C' = C'(k; f)$.

Proof: With can write

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) - f(x) &= \sum_{i=1}^{2k} (t-x)^i \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} + \\ &+ \frac{(t-x)^{2k}}{(2k)!} [f^{(2k)}(\eta) - f^{(2k)}(x)] \lambda(t) + (t-x)^{2m} h(t, x) \end{aligned}$$

with $m > k$, for all $t \geq 0$, with $x \in [0, a]$ and η lying between t and x . Here λ is the characteristic function of $[0, a]$ and h is bounded by a positive constant M .

$$S_n^{[2k]} f - f = \sum_{j=0}^k \{ \alpha_j [S_{2^j n} - f] \} =$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \left\{ \alpha_j \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} [f(2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n}) - f(x)] t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) \right\} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{j=0}^k \alpha_j \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{2k} (2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n} - x)^i \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) + \\
 &\quad + \sum_{j=0}^k \alpha_j \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n} - x)^{2k}}{(2k)!} \left(f^{(2k)}(\xi_j) - \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - f^{(2k)}(x) \right) t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) \lambda(2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n}) + \\
 &+ \sum_{j=0}^k \alpha_j \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} (2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n} - x)^{2m} h(2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n}, x) t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) = \\
 &= \sum_1 + \sum_2 + \sum_3,
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\xi_j = \xi_j(\nu)$ is between x and $2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n}$, $0 \leq j \leq k$.
 Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{2k} (2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n} - x)^i \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) = \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{2k} \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} (2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n} - x)^i t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} = \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{2k} \xi_{2^j n, i}^{[0]}(x) \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^{2k} \sum_{j=0}^k \alpha_j \xi_{2^j n, i}^{[0]}(x) \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} = \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{2k} \xi_{n, i}^{[2k]}(x) \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then from lemma 3 we have $|\sum_1| \leq C_1 n^{-k-1}$.

To evaluate \sum_2 we proceed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n} - x)^{2k}}{(2k)!} \left| f^{(2k)}(\xi_j) - \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - f^{(2k)}(x) \right| \lambda(2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n}) t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) \leq \\
 &\leq \frac{\omega(f^{(2k)}; \delta)}{(2k)!} \left\{ \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} (2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n} - x)^{2k} t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) + \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{\delta} \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} |2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n} - x|^{2k+1} t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

This expression does not exceed

$$\frac{\omega(f^{(2k)}; \delta)}{(2k)!} \left\{ \frac{A_k}{(2^j n)^k} + \frac{A'_k}{\delta(2^j n)^{k+\frac{1}{2}}} \right\}.$$

Then

$$\left| \sum_2 \right| \leq \frac{\omega(f^{(2k)}; \delta)}{(2k)!} \sum_{j=0}^k |\alpha_j| \left(\frac{A_k}{(2^j n)^k} + \frac{A'_k}{(2^j n)^{k+\frac{1}{2}}} \right),$$

with $\delta = n^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, we have

$$\left| \sum_2 \right| \leq \frac{C_2}{n^k} \omega(f^{(2k)}; n^{-\frac{1}{2}}).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \sum_3 \right| &\leq M \sum_{j=0}^k |\alpha_j| \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} (2^{-j} \frac{\nu}{n} - x)^{2m} t_{\nu, 2^j n}(x) \leq \\
 &\leq M \sum_{j=0}^k |\alpha_j| \frac{A_m}{(2^j n)^m} \leq \frac{C_3}{n^{k+1}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The theorem follows from these estimates.

Corollary 5 Let $f \in \mathcal{Y} \cap Lip_{\alpha}[0, a]$, $a > 0$. Then

$$\left| (S_n^{[2k]} f)(x) - f(x) \right| \leq M \frac{1}{n^k \sqrt{n^{\alpha}}}, \quad x \in [0, a]$$

where M is a constant independent of x .

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