

## On a sequence of linear and positive operators

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### Abstract

In order to approximate function  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with  $|f(x)| \leq Mx^\alpha$  for  $x > 0$  and  $M = M(f) > 0$ , we introduce the approximation operators  $\mathcal{F}_n : f \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_n f$ , with

$$(\mathcal{F}_n f)(x) = \frac{(nx)_{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^1 t^{nx-1} (1-t)^n f\left(\frac{t}{1-t}\right) dt, \quad x > 0, \quad \alpha > 0,$$

where  $n \geq n_0$  with  $n_0 = [\alpha] + b + 1$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  is fixed.

Our aim is to find some properties for above operator.

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Let  $Y_\alpha$  be the linear space of all functions  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with the property that there exist  $M$ ,  $M = M(f) > 0$  and  $\alpha > 0$  such that  $|f(x)| \leq Mx^\alpha$ , for all  $x > 0$ . We define the operators  $\mathcal{F}_n : f \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_n f$ ,

$$(1) \quad (\mathcal{F}_n f)(x) = \frac{(nx)_{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^1 t^{nx-1} (1-t)^n f\left(\frac{t}{1-t}\right) dt, \quad x > 0, \quad \alpha > 0$$

where  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $n_0 = [\alpha] + b + 1$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  is fixed.

Now, we demonstrate that if  $f \in Y_\alpha$ , then  $\mathcal{F}_n f \in Y_\alpha$ .

**Theorem 1** If  $(\mathcal{F}_n)_{n \geq n_0}$  are the operators defined in relation (1) and  $f \in Y_\alpha$ ,  $|f(x)| \leq M(f)x^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $x > 0$  then, there exist  $M(\mathcal{F}_n f) > 0$  such that for all  $x > c > 0$  the following relation hold

$$|(\mathcal{F}_n f)(x)| \leq M(\mathcal{F}_n f)x^\alpha,$$

where  $M(\mathcal{F}_n f) = M(f)e^{\frac{2\alpha^2}{b\sqrt{c}}}$ .

**Proof.** We have successive

$$\begin{aligned} |(\mathcal{F}_n f)(x)| &\leq \frac{(nx)_{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^1 t^{nx-1}(1-t)^n \left| f\left(\frac{t}{1-t}\right) \right| dt \\ &\leq M \frac{(nx)_{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^1 t^{nx-1}(1-t)^n \left(\frac{t}{1-t}\right)^\alpha dt \\ &= M \frac{(nx)_{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^1 t^{nx+\alpha-1}(1-t)^{n-\alpha+1-1} dt \\ &= M \frac{\Gamma(nx+n+1)}{n!\Gamma(nx)} \frac{\Gamma(nx+\alpha)\Gamma(n-\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(n+nx+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$(2) \quad |(\mathcal{F}_n f)(x)| \leq M \frac{\Gamma(n-\alpha+1)\Gamma(nx+\alpha)}{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(nx)}.$$

To obtain our results we need the following theorem

**Theorem 2** (Bohr & Mollerup) There is only one function  $g : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  which verifies:

1.  $g(1) = 1$
2.  $g(x+1) = xg(x)$
3.  $\ln g$  is a convex function on  $(0, \infty)$ ,

then  $g(x) = \Gamma(x)$ , for all  $x > 0$ .

From Theorem 2 we have

$$(3) \quad [x_1, x_2, x_3; \ln \Gamma] \geq 0, \text{ for all } 0 < x_1 < x_2 < x_3 < \infty$$

namely,

$$(4) \quad (\Gamma(x_2))^{x_3-x_1} \geq (\Gamma(x_1))^{x_3-x_2} (\Gamma(x_3))^{x_2-x_1}.$$

We choose  $0 < x_1 = z + 1 - \alpha < x_2 = z + 1 < x_3 = z + 2 < \infty$ . From relation (4) we obtain

$$(\Gamma(z + 1))^{1+\alpha} \geq (\Gamma(z + 1 - \alpha))((z + 1)\Gamma(z + 1))^\alpha,$$

therefore

$$(5) \quad \frac{\Gamma(z + 1)}{\Gamma(z + 1 - \alpha)} \leq (z + 1)^\alpha, \text{ for all } z + 1 > \alpha > 0.$$

If we choose  $0 < x_1 = z - \alpha < x_2 = z + 1 - \alpha < x_3 = z + 1 - \alpha < z + 1 < \infty$ , then the following relation holds

$$(\Gamma(z + 1 - \alpha))^{1+\alpha} \geq \left( \frac{\Gamma(z + 1 - \alpha)}{z - \alpha} \right)^\alpha \Gamma(z + 1),$$

namely

$$(6) \quad \frac{\Gamma(z + 1 - \alpha)}{\Gamma(z + 1)} \leq \frac{1}{(z - \alpha)^\alpha}, \text{ for all } z > \alpha > 0.$$

From (5) and (6) we obtain

$$(7) \quad \frac{1}{(z + 1)^\alpha} \leq \frac{\Gamma(z + 1 - \alpha)}{\Gamma(z + 1)} \leq \frac{1}{(z - \alpha)^\alpha}, \text{ for all } z > \alpha > 0.$$

In relation (4) we choose  $0 < x_1 = nx < x_2 = nx + \alpha < x_3 = nx + \alpha + 1 < \infty$  and we obtain

$$\left( \frac{\Gamma(nx + \alpha + 1)}{(nx + \alpha)} \right)^{\alpha+1} \leq (\Gamma(nx))(\Gamma(nx + \alpha + 1))^\alpha,$$

namely

$$\frac{\Gamma(nx + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(nx)} \leq (nx + \alpha)^{\alpha+1}, \quad \text{for all } x > 0, \alpha > 0,$$

$$\frac{(nx + \alpha)\Gamma(nx + \alpha)}{\Gamma(nx)} \leq (nx + \alpha)^{\alpha+1}.$$

From above relation we have

$$(8) \quad \frac{\Gamma(nx + \alpha)}{\Gamma(nx)} \leq (nx + \alpha)^\alpha, \quad \text{for all } x > 0, \alpha > 0.$$

In relation (4) we choose  $0 < x_1 = nx - 1 < x_2 = nx < x_3 = nx + \alpha < \infty$  and we obtain

$$\Gamma(nx)^{\alpha+1} \leq \left( \frac{\Gamma(nx)}{nx - 1} \right)^\alpha \Gamma(nx + \alpha),$$

namely

$$(9) \quad 0 < (nx - 1)^\alpha \leq \frac{\Gamma(nx + \alpha)}{\Gamma(nx)}, \quad nx - 1 > 0, \alpha > 0.$$

From (8) and (9) we have

$$(10) \quad (nx - 1)^\alpha \leq \frac{\Gamma(nx + \alpha)}{\Gamma(nx)} \leq (nx + \alpha)^\alpha, \quad \text{for all } x > \frac{1}{n}, x > 0, \alpha > 0.$$

If in relation (2) we use the inequalities (7) and (10), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |(\mathcal{F}_n f)(x)| &\leq M(f) \frac{(nx + \alpha)^\alpha}{(n - \alpha)^\alpha} = M(f) x^\alpha \frac{(nx + \frac{\alpha}{x})^\alpha}{(n - \alpha)^\alpha} \\ &= M(f) x^\alpha \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha + \frac{\alpha}{x}}{n - \alpha} \right)^\alpha = M(f) x^\alpha \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha + \frac{\alpha}{x}}{n - \alpha} \right)^{\frac{n-\alpha}{\alpha + \frac{\alpha}{x}} \frac{\alpha + \frac{\alpha}{x}}{n - \alpha} \alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

namely

$$(11) \quad |(\mathcal{F}_n f)(x)| < M(f)x^\alpha e^{\frac{\alpha^2(1+\frac{1}{x})}{n-\alpha}} < M(f)x^\alpha e^{\frac{2\alpha^2}{\sqrt{x}(n-\alpha)}}.$$

Let  $b \in \mathbb{N}^*$  be a fixed number and we denote  $n_0 = [\alpha + b + 1] = [\alpha] + b + 1 > \alpha + b$ . We consider  $n \geq n_0$  and we have  $n - \alpha > b$ , namely  $\frac{1}{n - \alpha} < \frac{1}{b}$ .

From (11) we obtain

$$|(\mathcal{F}_n f)(x)| \leq M(f)x^\alpha e^{\frac{2\alpha^2}{\sqrt{x}b}} \leq M(f)x^\alpha e^{\frac{2\alpha^2}{b\sqrt{c}}} =: M(\mathcal{F}_n f)x^\alpha,$$

where  $M(\mathcal{F}_n f) = M(f)x^\alpha e^{\frac{2\alpha^2}{b\sqrt{c}}}$ .

Next to calculate  $(\mathcal{F}_n e_j)(x)$ , where  $e_j(x) = x^j$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{F}_n e_j)(x) &= \frac{(nx)_{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^1 t^{nx+j-1}(1-t)^{n-j} dt = \frac{\Gamma(nx+n+1)}{\Gamma(nx)n!} B(nx+j, n-j+1) \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(nx+n+1)}{\Gamma(nx)n!} \frac{\Gamma(nx+j)\Gamma(n-j+1)}{\Gamma(nx+n+1)} = \frac{(nx)_j \Gamma(n-j+1)}{\Gamma(n+1)} = \frac{(nx)_j}{(n-j+1)_j}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have  $(\mathcal{F}_n e_0)(x) = 1$ ,  $(\mathcal{F}_n e_1)(x) = x$ , respectively

$$(\mathcal{F}_n e_2)(x) = \frac{(nx)(nx+1)}{(n-2+1)_2} = \frac{nx(nx+1)}{n(n-1)} = x^2 + \frac{x(1+x)}{n-1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} x^2.$$

We need the following theorem:

**Theorem 3** (A. Lupaş [4]) *If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\mathcal{L}e_j)(x) = [\varphi(x)]^j$ ,  $j = 0, 1, 2$ , then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\mathcal{L}f)(x) = f(\varphi(x)),$$

for  $f$  a continuous function on the interval  $[0, M]$ ,  $M > 0$ .

Using the above theorem, we obtain the following result:

**Theorem 4** Let  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function which verifies  $|f(x)| \leq Mx^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $M > 0$ , for  $x \rightarrow \infty$ . If  $\mathcal{F}_n$  are the linear and positive operators defined in relation (1), then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\mathcal{F}f)(x) = f(x),$$

for  $f$  a continuous function on the interval  $[0, M]$ ,  $M > 0$ .

In [6], A. Lupaş has demonstrated the following result:

**Theorem 5** If  $L : C(K) \rightarrow C(K_1)$ ,  $K_1 = [a_1, b_1] \subseteq K$  is a linear operator, then for all function  $f \in C(K)$  and  $\delta > 0$ , the following relation is verified

$$\|f - Lf\|_{K_1} \leq \|f\| \cdot \|e_0 - Le_0\|_{K_1} + \inf_{m=1,2,\dots} \{ \|Le_0\|_{K_1} + \delta^{-m} \|L\Omega_m\|_{K_1} \} \omega(f; \delta),$$

where  $\|\cdot\| = \max_K |\cdot|$  and  $\Omega_m(t) = (t - x)^m$ .

Using the above theorem, we obtain the following result.

**Theorem 6** Let  $\mathcal{F}_n f$  be the operators defined in (1). Then for all  $f \in Y_\alpha \cap C[0, \infty)$ ,  $\alpha \geq 2$  we have

$$\|f - \mathcal{F}_n f\| \leq \frac{5}{4} \omega \left( f; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}} \right).$$

**Proof.** We consider the case  $m = 2$ ,  $\Omega_2(t) = (t - x)^2$ .

From (1) we have (see [7]):

$$(\mathcal{F}_n \Omega_2)(x) = x^2 + \frac{x(1-x)}{n-1} - 2x^2 + x^2 = \frac{x(1-x)}{n-1}.$$

If we choose  $\delta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}}$  and use the inequality  $x(1-x) \leq \frac{1}{4}$ , we obtain

$$\|f - \mathcal{F}_n f\| \leq \frac{5}{4} \omega \left( f; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}} \right).$$

Let  $Y_B = \{f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; |f(x)| \leq A(f)e^{Bx}, x \geq 0\}$  be a linear space, where  $B > 0$ . We consider Favard - Szasz linear and positive operators, defined so  $S_n : f \rightarrow S_n f$ ,

$$(12) \quad (S_n f)(x) = e^{-nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots), \text{ where } S_n f \in Y_B.$$

It is known that

$$\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{\alpha-1} dt,$$

and using the change of variable  $t = ay$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{a^\alpha} \Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ay} y^{\alpha-1} dy.$$

For the Favard - Szasz operator we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ay} y^{\alpha-1} (S_n f)(y) dy &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(a+n)y} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^k}{k!} y^{k+\alpha-1} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) dy \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^k}{k!} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(a+n)y} y^{k+\alpha-1} dy \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^k}{k!} \frac{1}{(a+n)^{k+\alpha}} \Gamma(k+\alpha) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(a+n)^\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha)_k \Gamma(\alpha)}{k!} \left(\frac{n}{a+n}\right)^k f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right). \end{aligned}$$

If we consider the case  $\alpha = nx$ ;  $\frac{n}{a+n} = \frac{1}{2}$  and use the notation  $(z)_k = \frac{\Gamma(z+k)}{\Gamma(z)}$  we obtain the Lupuş linear and positive operators (see [5])

$$(13) \quad (\mathcal{L}_n f)(x) = (2)^{-nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)_k}{2^k k!} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right), \quad x \geq 0$$

where  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

We consider the positive operator

$$(14) \quad (G_n f)(x) = \frac{n^{nx}}{\Gamma(nx)} \int_0^\infty e^{-nt} t^{nx-1} f(t) dt, \quad x > 0.$$

If we use the change of variable  $t = \frac{T}{n}$ ,  $dt = \frac{1}{n} dT$ , we obtain

$$(G_n f)(x) = \frac{n^{nx}}{\Gamma(nx)} \frac{1}{n} \int_0^\infty e^{-T} \frac{T^{nx-1}}{n^{nx-1}} f\left(\frac{T}{n}\right) dT,$$

namely, we have the Post-Widder operator

$$(15) \quad (W_n f)(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(nx)} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{nx-1} f\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) dt.$$

**Theorem 7** *The operators  $\mathcal{F}_n f$  defined in (1) verify the following relation*

$$\mathcal{F}_n f = W_n G_n f,$$

where  $W_n$  are Post Widder operators, respectively  $G_n f$  are Gamma operators.

**Proof.** We use the following representation of Gamma operators

$$(G_n f)(x) = \frac{1}{n!} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^n f\left(\frac{nx}{t}\right) dt,$$

and for  $x = \frac{t}{n}$  we have

$$(G_n f)\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n!} \int_0^\infty e^{-s} s^n f\left(\frac{t}{s}\right) ds.$$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (W_n G_n f)(x) &= \frac{1}{n! \Gamma(nx)} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{nx-1} \left( \int_0^\infty e^{-s} s^n f\left(\frac{t}{s}\right) ds \right) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{n! \Gamma(nx)} \int_0^\infty e^{-s} s^n \left( \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{nx-1} f\left(\frac{t}{s}\right) dt \right) ds. \end{aligned}$$



If we use the change of variable  $\frac{t}{s} = y$ , namely  $t = ys$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} (W_n G_n f)(x) &= \frac{1}{n! \Gamma(nx)} \int_0^\infty e^{-s} s^{n+nx} \left( \int_0^\infty e^{-ys} y^{nx-1} f(y) dy \right) ds \\ &= \frac{1}{n! \Gamma(nx)} \int_0^\infty \left( \int_0^\infty e^{-s(1+y)} s^{n+nx} ds \right) y^{nx-1} f(y) dy. \end{aligned}$$

Denote  $s(1+y) = T$ ,  $ds = \frac{1}{1+y} dT$  and we obtain

$$(W_n G_n f)(x) = \frac{1}{n! \Gamma(nx)} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(1+y)^{n+nx+1}} \left( \int_0^\infty e^{-T} T^{n+nx} dT \right) y^{nx-1} f(y) dy,$$

Since

$$\Gamma(n + nx + 1) = \int_0^\infty e^{-T} T^{n+nx} dT,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} (W_n G_n f)(x) &= \frac{\Gamma(n + nx + 1)}{n! \Gamma(nx)} \int_0^\infty \frac{y^{nx-1}}{(1+y)^{n+nx+1}} f(y) dy \\ &= \frac{(nx)_{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^\infty \frac{y^{nx-1}}{(1+y)^{n+nx+1}} f(y) dy. \end{aligned}$$

If we use the change of variable  $\frac{y}{1+y} = t$ ,  $dy = \frac{1}{(1-t)^2} dt$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (W_n G_n f)(x) &= \frac{(nx)_{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^1 \left( \frac{t}{1-t} \right)^{nx-1} \frac{(1-t)^{n+nx+1}}{(1-t)^2} f\left( \frac{t}{1-t} \right) dt \\ &= \frac{(nx)_{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^1 t^{nx-1} (1-t)^n f\left( \frac{t}{1-t} \right) dt = (\mathcal{F}_n f)(x). \end{aligned}$$

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# A lower bound for the second moment of Schoenberg operator

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## Abstract

In this paper we represent a new lower bound for the second moment for Schoenberg variation-diminishing spline operator. We apply this estimate for  $f \in C^2[0, 1]$  and generalize the results obtained earlier by Gonska, Pitul and Rasa.

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## 1 Main result

We start with the definition of variation-diminishing operator, introduced by I.Schoenberg. For the case of equidistant knots we denote it by  $S_{n,k}$ . Consider the knot sequence  $\Delta_n = \{x_i\}_{-k}^{n+k}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ ,  $k \geq 1$  with equidistant "interior knots", namely

$$\Delta_n : x_{-k} = \cdots = x_0 = 0 < x_1 < x_2 < \cdots < x_n = \cdots = x_{n+k} = 1$$