

## On Certain Modified Meyer-König and Zeller Operators

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### Abstract

We introduce certain modified Meyer-König and Zeller operators and we study their approximation properties.

The similar results for modified Bernstein polynomials were given in [6].

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### 1. Introduction

**1.1.** In 1960, W. Meyer-König and K. Zeller in [7] introduced the following operators for functions  $f \in C_Q$  and  $n \in N = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ :

$$M_n(f; x) := \begin{cases} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) f\left(\frac{k}{n+k}\right) & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 1, \\ f(1) & \text{if } x = 1, \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

where

$$p_{nk}(x) := \binom{n+k}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n+1}, \quad k \in N_0 = N \cup \{0\}, \quad (1.2)$$

and  $C_Q$  is the space of all real-valued functions  $f$ , continuous on the interval  $Q = [0, 1]$  and the norm is defined by

$$\|f\| \equiv \|f(\cdot)\| := \max_{x \in Q} |f(x)|. \quad (1.3)$$

$M_n(f)$  is called the  $n$ -th Meyer–König and Zeller operator.

Approximation properties of  $M_n(f)$  have been examined in many papers (e.g. [1, 3, 5, 7]). Moreover, in many papers were introduced some modifications of operators  $M_n(f)$  (e.g. [2, 4, 5]) and were studied their approximation properties.

It is known ([1, 3, 5]) that if  $f \in C_Q$ , then  $M_n(f) \in C_Q$  and  $\|M_n(f)\| \leq \|f\|$  for  $n \in N$ . Moreover,

$$\|M_n(f; \cdot) - f(\cdot)\| \leq A \omega_2 \left( f; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right), \quad n \in N, \quad (1.4)$$

where  $A$  is a suitable positive constant independent on  $n$  and  $x$  and  $\omega_2(f; \cdot)$  is the second modulus of smoothness of  $f$ . Obviously (1.4) implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|M_n(f; \cdot) - f(\cdot)\| = 0, \quad (1.5)$$

for every  $f \in C_Q$ . Moreover for  $f \in C_Q^{r+2} = \{f \in C_Q : f^{(r+2)} \in C_Q\}$  with a fixed  $r \in N_0$ , we have

$$\|M_n(f; \cdot) - f(\cdot)\| = O \left( \frac{1}{n} \right), \quad n \in N, \quad (1.6)$$

and this estimation can not be improved.

**1.2.** In this paper we will show that the estimations (1.4) and (1.6) can be improved for  $f \in C_Q^r$ ,  $r \geq 2$ , by certain modification of the operators  $M_n(f)$ . We introduce the following definition.

**Definition 1** Let  $r \in N_0$  be a fixed number. For  $f \in C_Q^r$  and  $n \in N$  we define the modified Meyer–König and Zeller operators

$$M_{n;r}(f; x) := \begin{cases} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{f^{(j)}(\xi_{nk})}{j!} (x - \xi_{nk})^j & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 1, \\ f(1) & \text{if } x = 1, \end{cases} \quad (1.7)$$

where

$$\xi_{nk} := \frac{k}{n+k} \quad \text{for } k \in N_0, n \in N, \quad (1.8)$$

and  $p_{nk}(x)$  is defined by (1.2). Clearly  $M_{n;0}(f; x) \equiv M_n(f; x)$  for every  $f \in C_Q$ ,  $x \in Q$ ,  $n \in N$ .

In Section 2 we will give some auxiliary results. The main theorems will be given in Section 3.

In this paper we will denote by  $A_i(q)$ ,  $i \in N$ , a suitable positive constant depending only on parameter  $q$ .

## 2. Lemmas

**2.1.** It is well known [1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8] that

$$M_n(1; x) = 1 \quad M_n(t - x; x) = 0, \quad (2.9)$$

$$M_n((t - x)^2; x) = \frac{x(1 - x)^2}{n} + O_x\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right), \quad \text{for } x \in Q \text{ and } n \in N.$$

Moreover in [4] is given the following lemma.

**Lemma 1** For every fixed  $q \in N$  there exists  $A_1(q) = \text{const.} > 0$  such that

$$M_n((t - x)^{2q}; x) \leq A_1(q) n^{-q}, \quad n \in N,$$

uniformly for  $x \in Q$ .

**2.2.** Now we will give some elementary properties of operators  $M_{n;r}(f)$  defined by (1.7) and (1.8).

From (1.7) it follows that  $M_{n;r}(1; x) = 1$  for  $x \in Q$ ,  $n \in N$  and  $r \in N_0$  and

$$M_{n;r}(f; 0) = f(0), \quad n \in N, \quad r \in N_0. \quad (2.10)$$

**Lemma 2** *Let  $n, r \in N$  be fixed numbers. Then for every  $f \in C_Q^r$  we have  $M_{n;r}(f) \in C_Q$ , i.e.  $M_{n;r}(f)$  is an operator from the space  $C_Q^r$  into  $C_Q$ . Moreover there exists  $A_2(r) = \text{const.} > 0$  such that for every  $f \in C_Q^r$  we have*

$$\|M_{n;r}(f; \cdot)\| \leq A_2(r) \sum_{j=0}^r \|f^{(j)}\|, \quad n \in N. \quad (2.11)$$

**Proof.** We observe that if  $f \in C_Q^r$ , then for every fixed  $n \in N$  and  $j, q = 0, 1, \dots, r$  the sequence  $((\xi_{nk})^q f^{(j)}(\xi_{nk}))_{k=0}^\infty$  is convergent to  $f^{(j)}(1)$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Moreover, it is easily verified that the limitability method of sequences, generated by  $(p_{nk}(x))_{k=0}^\infty$ , with a fixed  $n \in N$  and  $x \rightarrow 1-$ , is regular. Hence we can write

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1-} \sum_{k=0}^\infty p_{nk}(x) (\xi_{nk})^q f^{(j)}(\xi_{nk}) = f^{(j)}(1)$$

for every  $j, q = 0, 1, \dots, r$  and  $n \in N$ .

From the above, and by (1.7) and (1.8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1-} M_{n;r}(f; x) &= \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{1}{j!} \sum_{q=0}^j \binom{j}{q} (-1)^q \\ &\quad \times \lim_{x \rightarrow 1-} x^{j-q} \sum_{k=0}^\infty p_{nk}(x) f^{(j)}(\xi_{nk}) \xi_{nk}^q = \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{f^{(j)}(1)}{j!} \sum_{q=0}^j \binom{j}{q} (-1)^q. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\sum_{q=0}^j \binom{j}{q} (-1)^q = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } j \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad (2.12)$$

we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1-} M_{n;r}(f; x) = f(1), \quad n \in N, \quad r \in N_0,$$

which by (1.7) shows that  $M_{n;r}(f)$  is a continuous function at  $x = 1$ . The continuity of  $M_{n;r}(f)$  at  $x \in [0, 1)$  is obvious by the properties of sum of power series convergent on  $[0, 1)$ .

From this and (1.7), (1.8) and (1.1), we deduce that

$$M_{n;r}(f; x) = \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} M_n((t-x)^j f^{(j)}(t); x)$$

for  $x \in Q$ ,  $n \in N$  and  $r \in N_0$ . Further, by (1.1)–(1.3), (1.8) and the Hölder inequality and Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| M_n((t-x)^j f^{(j)}(t); x) \right| &\leq \left\| f^{(j)} \right\| M_n(|t-x|^j; x) \\ &\leq \left\| f^{(j)} \right\| (M_n((t-x)^{2j}; x))^{1/2} (M_n(1; x))^{1/2} \leq A_1(j) \left\| f^{(j)} \right\| n^{-j/2}, \end{aligned}$$

for  $x \in Q$ ,  $n \in N$  and  $0 \leq j \leq r$ . Consequently

$$\begin{aligned} \|M_{n;r}(f; \cdot)\| &\leq \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{1}{j!} \left\| M_n((t-\cdot)^j f^{(j)}(t); \cdot) \right\| \\ &\leq A_2(r) \sum_{j=0}^r \left\| f^{(j)} \right\|, \quad n \in N. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the proof of (2.11) is completed.  $\square$

### 3. Theorems

**3.1.** First we will prove an analogue of (1.4) for  $f \in C_Q^r$  and  $M_{n;r}(f)$ , but we will use the modulus of continuity of the derivative  $f^{(r)}$ , i.e.

$$\omega(f^{(r)}; t) := \sup \left\{ \left| f^{(r)}(x) - f^{(r)}(y) \right| : x, y \in Q, |x - y| \leq t \right\}$$

for  $t \in [0, 1]$  ([9]). The application of the second modulus of continuity  $\omega_2(f^{(r)}; \cdot)$  to approximation theorem for  $f \in C_Q^r$  and  $M_{n;r}(f)$ ,  $r \in N$ , is difficult by derivatives  $f^{(j)}$  and factors  $(x - \xi_{nk})^j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ , in the formula (1.7).

**Theorem 1** *Let  $r \in N_0$  be a fixed number. Then there exists  $A_3(r) = \text{const.} > 0$  such*

that for every  $f \in C_Q^r$  and  $n \in N$  holds the following inequality

$$\|M_{n,r}(f; \cdot) - f(\cdot)\| \leq A_3(r) n^{-r/2} \omega\left(f^{(r)}; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right), \quad (3.13)$$

where  $\omega(f^{(r)}; \cdot)$  is the modulus of continuity of  $f^{(r)}$ .

**Proof.** The estimation (3.13) for  $r = 0$  follows from (1.4).

Let  $r \in N$ . Similarly as in [6] we apply the following modified Taylor formula for  $f \in C_Q^r$  in a given point  $t \in Q$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{f^{(j)}(t)}{j!} (x-t)^j \\ &+ \frac{(x-t)^r}{(r-1)!} \int_0^1 (1-u)^{r-1} [f^{(r)}(t+u(x-t)) - f^{(r)}(t)] du, \quad x \in Q. \end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $t = \xi_{nk}$  and applying (2.9), we derive from the above Taylor formula and (1.7)

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (p_{nk}(x) f(x)) = M_{n,r}(f; x) + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) \frac{(x - \xi_{nk})^r}{(r-1)!} I_r(x, \xi_{nk}), \quad (3.14)$$

where

$$I_r(x, \xi_{nk}) = \int_0^1 (1-u)^{r-1} [f^{(r)}(\xi_{nk} + u(x - \xi_{nk})) - f^{(r)}(\xi_{nk})] du.$$

The definition and properties of modulus of continuity of function ([9]) imply that

$$\begin{aligned} |f^{(r)}(\xi_{nk} + u(x - \xi_{nk})) - f^{(r)}(\xi_{nk})| &\leq \omega\left(f^{(r)}; u|x - \xi_{nk}|\right) \\ &\leq \omega\left(f^{(r)}; |x - \xi_{nk}|\right) \leq (\sqrt{n}|x - \xi_{nk}| + 1) \omega\left(f^{(r)}; 1/\sqrt{n}\right), \end{aligned}$$

for every  $0 \leq u \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq x < 1$ ,  $k \in N_0$  and  $n \in N$ . From this and (3.14) we get

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - M_{n,r}(f; x)| &\leq \quad (3.15) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{r!} \omega\left(f^{(r)}; 1/\sqrt{n}\right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) |x - \xi_{nk}|^r (\sqrt{n}|x - \xi_{nk}| + 1) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{r!} \omega\left(f^{(r)}; 1/\sqrt{n}\right) (\sqrt{n} M_n(|t-x|^{r+1}; x) + M_n(|t-x|^r; x)), \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 \leq x < 1$  and  $n \in N$ . Using the Hölder inequality and (2.9) and Lemma 1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} M_n(|t-x|^q; x) &\leq (M_n((t-x)^{2q}; x))^{1/2} (M_n(1; x))^{1/2} \\ &\leq A_1(q) n^{-q/2}, \quad x \in Q, \quad n, q \in N. \end{aligned}$$

Further from (3.15) results that

$$|f(x) - M_{n,r}(f; x)| \leq A_4(r) \omega\left(f^{(r)}; n^{-1/2}\right) \left(\sqrt{n} n^{-(r+1)/2} + n^{-r/2}\right)$$

for all  $0 \leq x < 1$  and  $n \in N$ . This inequality and (1.7) for  $x = 1$  immediately yield (3.13).  $\square$

From Theorem 1 we can derive the following two corollaries.

**Corollary 1** *Let  $f \in C_Q^r$ ,  $r \in N_0$ , then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{r/2} \|M_{n,r}(f; \cdot) - f(\cdot)\| = 0.$$

**Corollary 2** *Let  $f \in C_Q^r$ ,  $r \in N_0$ , and let  $f^{(r)} \in Lip \alpha$  with a fixed  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , i.e.  $\omega(f^{(r)}; t) = O(t^\alpha)$  for  $t \in (0, 1]$ . Then*

$$\|M_{n,r}(f; \cdot) - f(\cdot)\| = O\left(n^{-(r+\alpha)/2}\right), \quad n \in N.$$

**Remark.** Theorem 1, Corollary 1 and Corollary 2 show that the degree of approximation of function  $f \in C_Q^r$  with  $r \geq 2$  by operators  $M_{n,r}(f)$  is better than (1.4) and (1.6) for  $M_n(f)$ .

**3.2.** Now we will prove the Voronovskaya type theorem.

**Theorem 2** *Suppose that  $f \in C_Q^{r+2}$  with a fixed  $r \in N_0$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} M_{n,r}(f; x) - f(x) &= \frac{(-1)^r f^{(r+1)}(x) M_n((t-x)^{r+1}; x)}{(r+1)!} \\ &+ \frac{(-1)^r (r+1) f^{(r+2)}(x) M_n((t-x)^{r+2}; x)}{(r+2)!} + g_n(x; r) \end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

for every  $x \in Q$  and  $n \in N$ , where

$$g_n(x; r) = o\left(n^{-(r+2)/2}\right) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad (3.17)$$

uniformly for  $x \in Q$ .

**Proof.** By (1.1), (1.7) and (2.10) we have (3.16) for  $x = 0$  and  $x = 1$ .

Fix  $0 < x < 1$ . For  $f \in C_Q^{r+2}$  we have  $f^{(j)} \in C_Q^{r+2-j}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq r$ , and by the Taylor formula we can write

$$f^{(j)}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{r+2-j} \frac{f^{(j+i)}(x)}{i!} (t-x)^i + \varphi_j(t, x) (t-x)^{r+2-j} \quad (3.18)$$

for  $t \in Q$ , where  $\varphi_j(t) \equiv \varphi_j(t, x)$  is function such that  $\varphi_j(t) t^{r+2-j} \in C_Q^{r+2-j}$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \varphi_j(t) = \varphi_j(x) = 0$ . Taking  $t = \xi_{nk}$  in (3.18) and applying this formula to  $M_{n;r}(f)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} M_{n;r}(f; x) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{(x - \xi_{nk})^j}{j!} \sum_{i=0}^{r+2-j} \frac{f^{(j+i)}(x)}{i!} (\xi_{nk} - x)^i \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{(x - \xi_{nk})^j}{j!} \varphi_j(\xi_{nk}) (\xi_{n,k} - x)^{r+2-j} \\ &:= \sum_1 + \sum_2, \quad n \in N. \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$



by elementary calculations we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_1 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{(x - \xi_{nk})^j}{j!} \sum_{q=j}^{r+2} \frac{f^{(q)}(x)}{(q-j)!} (\xi_{nk} - x)^{q-j} \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} \left\{ \sum_{q=j}^r \frac{f^{(q)}(x)}{(q-j)!} (\xi_{nk} - x)^q \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{f^{(r+1)}(x)}{(r+1-j)!} (\xi_{nk} - x)^{r+1} + \frac{f^{(r+2)}(x)}{(r+2-j)!} (\xi_{nk} - x)^{r+2} \right\} \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) \sum_{q=0}^r \frac{f^{(q)}(x)}{q!} (\xi_{nk} - x)^q \sum_{j=0}^q \binom{q}{j} (-1)^j \\
 &\quad + \frac{f^{(r+1)}(x)}{(r+1)!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) (\xi_{nk} - x)^{r+1} \sum_{j=0}^r \binom{r+1}{j} (-1)^j \\
 &\quad + \frac{f^{(r+2)}(x)}{(r+2)!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x) (\xi_{nk} - x)^{r+2} \sum_{j=0}^r \binom{r+2}{j} (-1)^j
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $n \in N$ . Applying (2.12) and equalities

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{j=0}^r \binom{r+1}{j} (-1)^j &= (-1)^r, \\
 \sum_{j=0}^r \binom{r+2}{j} (-1)^j &= (r+1)(-1)^r,
 \end{aligned}$$

with  $r \in N_0$ , and by (1.1) and (2.9), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_1 &= f(x) + \frac{(-1)^r f^{(r+1)}(x) M_n((t-x)^{r+1}; x)}{(r+1)!} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(-1)^r (r+1) f^{(r+2)}(x) M_n((t-x)^{r+2}; x)}{(r+2)!}, \quad n \in N.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.20}$$

Denoting by

$$\phi_r(t) := \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} \varphi_j(t), \quad t \in Q,$$

we have  $\phi_r \in C_Q$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \phi_r(t) = \phi_r(x) = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_2 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{nk}(x)(\xi_{nk} - x)^{r+2} \phi_r(\xi_{nk}) \\ &= M_n((t-x)^{r+2} \phi_r(t); x), \quad n \in N. \end{aligned}$$

Further, by the Hölder inequality, we have

$$\left| \sum_2 \right| \leq (M_n((t-x)^{2r+4}; x))^{1/2} (M_n(\phi_r^2(t); x))^{1/2} := g_n(x; r) \quad (3.21)$$

for  $n \in N$ . The properties of  $\phi_r(\cdot)$  and (1.5) imply that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n(\phi_r^2(t); x) = \phi_r^2(x) = 0$$

uniformly on  $Q$ . From this and (3.21) and Lemma 2 it follows that

$$g_n(x; r) = o\left(n^{-(r+2)/2}\right) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

uniformly on  $Q$ . This result and (3.19)–(3.21) imply the desired assertions (3.15) and (3.16). Thus the proof is completed.  $\square$

Theorem 2 implies the following Voronovskaya type theorem for operators  $M_n(f)$  ([1], [2]):

**Corollary 3** *If  $f \in C_Q^2$ , then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(M_n(f; x) - f(x)) = \frac{x(1-x)^2}{2} f''(x)$$

for every  $x \in Q$ .

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