

## Higher Order Generalization of Positive Linear Operators Defined by a Class of Borel Measures

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### Abstract

In the present paper, we introduce a sequence of linear operators, which is a higher order generalization of positive linear operators defined by a class of Borel measures studied in [2]. Then, using the concept of  $A$ -statistical convergence we obtain some approximation results which are stronger than the aspects of the classical approximation theory.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $I$  be an arbitrary interval of the real line, and let  $C(I)$  denote the linear space of all real-valued continuous functions on  $I$ . Assume that  $g$  is a non-negative increasing function on  $[0, \infty)$  with  $g(0) = 1$ . If  $I$  is an unbounded interval, then we consider the following function space

$$C_g(I) = \left\{ f \in C(I) : \lim_{|y| \rightarrow \infty; (y \in I)} \frac{|f(y)|}{(g(|y|))^c} = 0 \text{ for any } c > 0 \right\}, \quad (1)$$

which was examined in [2], [3]. Here, we should remark that if  $I = [a, +\infty)$  (or  $I = (a, +\infty)$ ), then the item “ $|y| \rightarrow \infty; (y \in I)$ ” in the definition (1) reduces to “ $y \rightarrow +\infty$ ”; however, if  $I = (-\infty, a]$  (or  $I = (-\infty, a)$ ), then we have “ $y \rightarrow -\infty$ ”. On the other hand, if  $I$  is an bounded interval, then we will use the space  $C(I)$  instead of  $C_g(I)$ .

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Now, for each fixed  $x \in I$ , let  $\{\mu_{n,x} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a collection of measures defined on  $(I, \mathcal{B})$ , where  $\mathcal{B}$  is the sigma field of Borel measurable subsets of  $I$ . Assume that, for any  $\delta > 0$ , the condition

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \int_{I \setminus I_\delta} g(|y|) d\mu_{n,x}(y) < \infty \tag{2}$$

holds, where  $I_\delta := [x - \delta, x + \delta] \cap I$ . In the condition (2), the boundedness is pointwise with respect to  $x$ ; that is, it is bounded for each fixed  $x \in I$ . With this terminology, in [2], some approximation properties of the following positive linear operators defined on  $C_g(I)$  were investigated:

$$L_n(f; x) = \int_I f(y) d\mu_{n,x}(y) \quad , \quad n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } f \in C_g(I). \tag{3}$$

Define the space  $C_g^{[r]}(I)$  by

$$C_g^{[r]}(I) = \left\{ f : f^{(r)} \in C_g(I) \right\}, \quad (r = 0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

If  $r = 0$ , then observe that  $C_g^{[0]}(I) = C_g(I)$ . We now consider the  $r$ -th order generalization of the operators  $L_n$  defined by (3) as follows

$$L_n^{[r]}(f; x) = \sum_{k=0}^r \int_I f^{(k)}(y) \frac{(x-y)^k}{k!} d\mu_{n,x}(y), \tag{4}$$

where  $f \in C_g^{[r]}(I)$ ,  $(r = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and also the function  $g$  satisfy the condition (2). We note that this kind of generalization was also considered in [11]. It is easy to see that if  $r = 0$ , then we have

$$L_n^{[0]}(f; x) = L_n(f; x).$$

The main goal of the present paper is to investigate various approximation properties of the linear operators  $L_n^{[r]}$  defined by (4) with the help of the concept of  $A$ -statistical convergence. Recently, it has been shown that regular (non-matrix) summability transformations are also quite effective on the approximation of positive linear operators (see [2], [3], [4], [5], [9]). Especially, using the concept of the  $A$ -statistical convergence, where

$A$  is a non-negative regular matrix, instead of the ordinary convergence in the approximation theory gives us many advantages, since  $A$  statistical convergence is stronger than the usual convergence.

Before proceeding further, we recall the concept of  $A$ -statistical convergence.

Let  $A := (a_{jn}), j, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , be a non-negative regular summability, i.e.  $\lim Ax = L$  whenever  $\lim x = L$ , where  $Ax := ((Ax)_j)$  is called an  $A$ -transform of  $x := (x_n)$  and is given by

$$(Ax)_j := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{jn}x_n,$$

provided that the series convergence for each  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  (see [10]). Then a sequence  $x := (x_n)$  is called  $A$ -statistical convergent to a number  $L$  if, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_j \sum_{n:|x_n-L|\geq\varepsilon} a_{jn} = 0.$$

We denote this limit by  $st_A - \lim x = L$  [7] (see also [12], [14]). If we take  $A = C_1$ , the Cesàro matrix of order one, then  $C_1$ -statistical convergence is equivalent to statistical convergence [6], [8]. Also replacing the matrix  $A$  by the identity matrix,  $A$ -statistical convergence coincides with the ordinary convergence. Kolk [12] proved that  $A$ -statistical convergence is stronger than ordinary convergence in the case of which  $\lim_j \max_n |a_{jn}| = 0$ .

## 2. $A$ -Statistical Approximation Properties

In this section using  $A$ -statistical convergence we investigate some approximation properties of the operators  $L_n^{[r]}$  defined by (4).

We note that a function  $f \in C(I)$  belongs to  $Lip_M(\alpha)$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , provided

$$|f(y) - f(x)| \leq M |y - x|^\alpha \quad (x, y \in I \text{ and } M > 0). \tag{5}$$

Then we obtain the following result.

**Theorem 2.1** *Let  $I$  be an arbitrary interval of the real line, and let  $r$  be a non-negative integer. Assume that*

$$\int_I d\mu_{n,x}(y) = 1 \quad (\text{for each } x \in I \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N}). \tag{6}$$

Then for all  $f \in C_g^{[r]}(I)$  such that  $f^{(r)} \in Lip_M(\alpha)$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and for each  $x \in I$ , we have

$$\left| L_n^{[r]}(f; x) - f(x) \right| \leq CL_n(|x - y|^{\alpha+r}; x)$$

where

$$C = \frac{M\alpha}{\alpha + r} \frac{B(\alpha, r)}{(r - 1)!}, \tag{7}$$

and  $B(\alpha, r)$  is the beta function.

**Proof.** By (4) and (6), we get

$$f(x) - L_n^{[r]}(f; x) = \int_I \left\{ f(x) - \sum_{k=0}^r f^{(k)}(y) \frac{(x - y)^k}{k!} \right\} d\mu_{n,x}(y). \tag{8}$$

Applying the Taylor's formula (see [11]) we may write that

$$f(x) - \sum_{k=0}^r f^{(k)}(y) \frac{(x - y)^k}{k!} = \frac{(x - y)^r}{(r - 1)!} \int_0^1 (1 - t)^{r-1} [f^{(r)}(y + t(x - y)) - f^{(r)}(y)] dt. \tag{9}$$

Since  $f^{(r)} \in Lip_M(\alpha)$ , we get from (5) that

$$\left| f^{(r)}(y + t(x - y)) - f^{(r)}(y) \right| \leq Mt^\alpha |x - y|^\alpha. \tag{10}$$

Considering (10) in (9), and using the beta integral, we conclude that

$$\left| f(x) - \sum_{k=0}^r f^{(k)}(y) \frac{(x - y)^k}{k!} \right| \leq |x - y|^{\alpha+r} \frac{M\alpha}{\alpha + r} \frac{B(\alpha, r)}{(r - 1)!}. \tag{11}$$

So combining (11) with (8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f(x) - L_n^{[r]}(f; x) \right| &\leq \frac{M\alpha}{\alpha + r} \frac{B(\alpha, r)}{(r - 1)!} \int_I |x - y|^{\alpha+r} d\mu_{n,x}(y) \\ &= \frac{M\alpha}{\alpha + r} \frac{B(\alpha, r)}{(r - 1)!} L_n(|x - y|^{\alpha+r}; x), \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired result. □

**Theorem 2.2** *Let  $A = (a_{jn})$  be a non-negative regular summability matrix, and let  $I$  be an arbitrary interval of the real line. Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$  and let  $r$  be a non-negative integer. Assume that the condition (6) is satisfied. Assume further that  $g : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g(y) = e^y$  and  $h_x : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $h_x(y) = |x - y|^{\alpha+r}$  for each fixed  $x \in I$ . If the condition*

$$st_A - \lim_n L_n(h_x, x) = 0 \tag{12}$$

*holds, then for all  $f \in C_g^{[r]}(I)$  such that  $f^{(r)} \in Lip_M(\alpha)$ , we have*

$$st_A - \lim_n \left| L_n^{[r]}(f; x) - f(x) \right| = 0.$$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in I$  be fixed. By the definitions of the functions  $g$  and  $h_x$ , observe that  $h_x \in C_g(I)$ . Now, for a given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , define the following sets:

$$U := \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : \left| L_n^{[r]}(f; x) - f(x) \right| \geq \varepsilon \right\}$$

and

$$V := \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : L_n(h_x; x) \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{C} \right\},$$

where the constant  $C$  is given by (7). So it follows from Theorem 2.1 that  $U \subseteq V$ . Therefore, we get, for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , that

$$\sum_{n \in U} a_{jn} \leq \sum_{n \in V} a_{jn}. \tag{13}$$

Note the condition (12) implies  $\lim_j \sum_{n \in V} a_{jn} = 0$ . So, we conclude from (13) that

$\lim_j \sum_{n \in U} a_{jn} = 0$ , whence the result. □

If we use the test functions  $e_i(y) = y^i$ , ( $i = 0, 1, 2$ ), instead of (12) in Theorem 2.1, then we have the following approximation result via  $A$ -statistical convergence.

**Theorem 2.3** *Under the conditions of Theorem 2.2, if*

$$st_A - \lim_n |L_n(e_i, x) - e_i(x)| = 0, \quad (i = 0, 1, 2), \tag{14}$$

*then for all  $f \in C_g^{[r]}(I)$  such that  $f^{(r)} \in Lip_M(\alpha)$ , we have*

$$st_A - \lim_n \left| L_n^{[r]}(f; x) - f(x) \right| = 0.$$

**Proof.** We first note that, by the definition of  $g$ , the test functions  $e_i$ , ( $i = 0, 1, 2$ ) belong to  $C_g(I)$ . So, by Theorem 1 in [2], the condition (14) yields that for all  $h \in C_g(I)$

$$st_A - \lim_n |L_n(h, x) - h(x)| = 0. \tag{15}$$

In particular, take  $h := h_x$ , which is defined in Theorem 2.2. Since  $h_x(x) = 0$ , it follows from (15) that

$$st_A - \lim_n |L_n(h_x, x)| = 0,$$

which gives (12). Therefore the proof follows from Theorem 2.2. □

**Corollary 2.4** *If  $I$  is closed and bounded interval of the real line, say  $I = [a, b]$ , and also*

$$st_A - \lim_n \|L_n(e_i, \cdot) - e_i\|_{C[a,b]} = 0, \quad (i = 0, 1, 2),$$

*then for all  $f \in C^{[r]}[a, b]$  such that  $f^{(r)} \in Lip_M(\alpha)$  we have*

$$st_A - \lim_n \left\| L_n^{[r]}(f, \cdot) - f \right\|_{C[a,b]} = 0,$$

*where  $\|\cdot\|_{C[a,b]}$  denotes the usual sup norm on  $[a, b]$ .*

**Special Cases**

- (a) Choosing  $r = 0$  in Theorem 2.3, we get Theorem 1 in [2].
- (b) The choice of  $r = 0$  in Corollary 2.4 reduces to Corollary 2 in [2].
- (c) If we replace the matrix  $A$  by the Cesàro matrix of order one and choose  $r = 0$  in Corollary 2.4, then we get the statistical approximation theorem introduced by Gadjiev and Orhan (see Theorem 1 in [9]).
- (d) If we replace the matrix  $A$  by the identity matrix and also choose  $r = 0$  in Corollary 2.4, then we get the classical Korovkin-type approximation theorem (see, for instance, [1], [13]).

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