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Abstract

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ON THE APPROXIMATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS BY FOURIER SUMS AND FEJÉR SUMS

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Let \mathfrak{M} be some class of continuous functions and let U_n be a linear operator (method of approximation) assigning to each function $f \in \mathfrak{M}$ some polynomial of order n , whose value at the point x we denote by $U_n(f, x)$.

We consider two problems:

I. To find the principal term of the deviation of the function $f(x)$ from $U_n(f, x)$, with a remainder term uniform with respect to the whole class \mathfrak{M} , i.e., to obtain a representation:

$$f(x) - U_n(f, x) = AU_n(f, x) + O(BU_n(\mathfrak{M})).$$

II. To investigate the behavior of the upper bound

$$\mathcal{E}_{U_n}(\mathfrak{M}) = \sup_{f \in \mathfrak{M}} \|f(x) - U_n(f, x)\| = \sup_{f \in \mathfrak{M}} \max_x |f(x) - U_n(f, x)|,$$

i.e., the upper bound of the deviations of the function $f(x)$ from $U_n(f, x)$, extended over the whole class \mathfrak{M} .

In a number of cases the solution of problem I makes it possible to find an asymptotically exact solution of problem II. Indeed, we have

$$\mathcal{E}_{U_n}(\mathfrak{M}) = \sup_{f \in \mathfrak{M}} \|AU_n(f, x)\| + O(BU_n(\mathfrak{M})).$$

Therefore, if

$$BU_n(\mathfrak{M}) = o(\mathcal{E}_{U_n}(\mathfrak{M})),$$

then

$$\mathcal{E}_{U_n}(\mathfrak{M}) \asymp \sup_{f \in \mathfrak{M}} \|AU_n(f, x)\|.$$

The first problem was first solved by E. V. Voronovskaya ⁽¹⁾ for the approximation of twice differentiable functions by S. N. Bernstein polynomials. The order of decrease of $\mathcal{E}_{U_n}(\mathfrak{M})$ for certain important classes of functions and methods of approximation was given by Lebesgue ⁽²⁾, Jackson ⁽³⁾, and S. N. Bernstein ⁽⁴⁾ in 1910–1912. The method of obtaining an asymptotically exact equality from the expression for the principal term of the deviation was used earlier by S. B. Stechkin ⁽⁵⁾ for approximations of certain classes of analytic functions by Taylor sums.

Let us define some classes of continuous functions of period 2π . For any integer $k \geq 0$ put

$$\omega_k(h, f) = \sup_{|\delta| \leq h} \|\Delta_\delta^k f(x)\|,$$

where

$$\Delta_\delta^k f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^{k-i} \binom{k}{i} f\left(x + (k-2i)\frac{\delta}{2}\right), \quad k \geq 0 \quad (\Delta_\delta^0 f(x) = f(x)).$$

We shall say that the function $f(x)$ belongs to the class $MW^r H_k^\alpha$ if its Weyl derivative $f^{(r)}(x)$ of order $r \geq 0$ ($f^{(0)}(x) = f(x)$) satisfies the condition

$$\omega_k(h, f^{(r)}) \leq Mh^\alpha, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1.$$

For brevity we shall write MW^r if $k = 0$, and MH_k^α if $r = 0$ and $k \geq 1$. The classes MH_2^α were introduced by A. Zygmund ⁽⁶⁾. The conjugate classes will be denoted respectively by $M\overline{W}^r H_k^\alpha$ for $r > 0$, and by $M\overline{H}_k^\alpha$ for $r = 0$. In addition, by analogy with the classes MW_β^r , introduced in the work of S. B. Stechkin ⁽⁷⁾, we introduce the classes $MW_\beta^r H_k^\alpha$. We shall say that $f(x) \in MW_\beta^r H_k^\alpha$, $r \geq 0$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, if $f(x)$ can be represented in the form

$$f(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\pi m^r} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi(x+t) \cos\left(mt + \frac{\beta\pi}{2}\right) dt, \quad (1)$$

where $\varphi(x) \in MH_k^\alpha$ ($0 < \alpha \leq 1$) and

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi(x) dx = 0.$$

For $\beta = r$ and $\beta = r + 1$ we obtain, respectively, the classes $MW^r H_k^\alpha$ and $M\overline{W}^r H_k^\alpha$. For brevity we shall omit the constant $M = 1$. We shall consider the following methods of approximation: partial Fourier sums, i.e.

$$U_n(f, x) = S_n(f, x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^n (a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx) \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots),$$

and Fejér sums, i.e.

$$U_n(f, x) = \sigma_n(f, x) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n S_k(f, x).$$

Problem I for the classes H_1^1 and H_2^1 and approximation by Fejér sums was solved by Zamanskii⁽⁸⁾.

The order of the quantities $\mathcal{E}_{\sigma_n}(H_1^\alpha)$ was given by S. N. Bernstein⁽⁴⁾, while the order of the quantities $\mathcal{E}_{\sigma_n}(\overline{H}_1^\alpha)$ for $0 < \alpha < 1$ follows from results of I. I. Privalov⁽⁹⁾ and S. N. Bernstein⁽⁴⁾, and the order of $\mathcal{E}_{\sigma_n}(\overline{H}_1)$ was given by Aleksich⁽¹⁰⁾. Asymptotically exact results for $\mathcal{E}_{\sigma_n}(H_1^\alpha)$ ($0 < \alpha \leq 1$) were given by S. M. Nikol'skii⁽¹¹⁾. The first asymptotically exact result for $\mathcal{E}_{S_n}(\mathfrak{M})$ belongs to A. N. Kolmogorov⁽¹²⁾, who considered $\mathcal{E}_{S_n}(W^r)$ in the case of integer $r \geq 1$. V. T. Pinkevich⁽¹³⁾ considered $\mathcal{E}_{S_n}(W^r)$ for arbitrary $r > 0$. The most general result in this direction belongs to S. M. Nikol'skii^(14,15), who proved that for arbitrary $r \geq 0$ and $0 < \alpha \leq 1$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{S_n}(W^r H_1^\alpha) \\ \mathcal{E}_{S_n}(W^r \overline{H}_1^\alpha) \end{aligned} \right\} = \frac{C_1(\alpha)}{\pi} \frac{\ln n}{n^{r+\alpha}} + O\left(\frac{1}{n^{r+\alpha}}\right), \quad (2)$$

where

$$C_1(\alpha) = \sup_{f \in H_1^\alpha} |a_1(f)| = \sup_{f \in H_1^\alpha} \left| \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos x dx \right| = \frac{2^{1+\alpha}}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} t^\alpha \sin t dt.$$

Theorem 1. Let $f(x)$ be a continuous function of period 2π , and let $\omega_2(h, f)$ be its modulus of smoothness. Then

$$f(x) - \sigma_{n-1}(f, x) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_a^\infty \frac{f(x + \frac{2t}{n}) - 2f(x) + f(x - \frac{2t}{n})}{t^2} dt + O\left(\omega_2\left(\frac{1}{n}, f\right)\right),$$

where $a > 0$ is an arbitrary constant.

For $\omega_2(h, f) = h$ we obtain Zamansky's result (8).

Theorem 2. Let $f(x) \in H_2^1$, and let $\bar{f}(x)$ be the conjugate function. Then

$$\bar{f}(x) - \bar{\sigma}_{n-1}(f, x) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{a_1} \left[f\left(x + \frac{t}{n}\right) - f\left(x - \frac{t}{n}\right) \right] \frac{\sin t}{t^2} dt + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right),$$

where a_1 is the smallest root of the equation

$$\int_0^u \frac{\sin t}{t} dt = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

From Theorem 2 and the author's results (17) it follows that:

Theorem 3. The following asymptotic equality holds:

$$\mathcal{E}_{\sigma_n}(\bar{H}_2^1) = \sup_{f \in H_2^1} \|\bar{f}(x) - \bar{\sigma}_n(f, x)\| = \frac{1}{2 \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1)} \frac{\ln n}{n} + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right).$$

Denote by $R_n(f, x)$ the remainder of the Fourier series (1) for a function $f(x) \in W_\beta^r H_k^\alpha$ when $r > 0$, and by $r_{n,\beta}(\varphi, x)$ the remainder of the Fourier series for a function $f(x) \in W_\beta^0 H_k^\alpha$, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} r_{n,\beta}(\varphi, x) &= \cos \frac{\beta\pi}{2} [\varphi(x) - S_n(\varphi, x)] + \sin \frac{\beta\pi}{2} [\bar{\varphi}(x) - \bar{S}_n(\varphi, x)] = \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [\varphi(x) - \varphi(x+t)] \frac{\sin\left(\frac{2n+1}{2}t + \frac{\beta\pi}{2}\right)}{2 \sin \frac{t}{2}} dt, \end{aligned}$$

where $S_n(\varphi, x)$ and $\bar{S}_n(\varphi, x)$ are the partial sums, respectively, of the Fourier series of the function $\varphi(x)$ and of the conjugate series.

From the results of S. B. Stechkin (16) it follows that, for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ and $k > 2$, the inclusion

$$C_1 H_k^\alpha \subset H_2^\alpha \subset C_2 H_k^\alpha$$

holds, where $0 < C_1 < C_2$ are certain constants. Hence, using Theorems 1 and 2, we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 4. Let $f(x) \in W_\beta^r H_k^\alpha$. Then, for any $r > 0$ and $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, the equality

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_n(f, x) &= f(x) - \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{1}{\pi m^r} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi(x+t) \cos\left(mt + \frac{\beta\pi}{2}\right) dt = \\
 &= \frac{1}{(n+1)^r} r_{n,\beta}(\varphi, x) + O\left(\frac{1}{n^{r+\alpha}}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting here $\beta = r$ and $\beta = r + 1$, we obtain the solution of Problem I for the approximation of functions of the classes $W^r H_k^\alpha$ and $\overline{W}^r H_k^\alpha$ by Fourier sums.

Theorem 5. Let $f(x) \in W_\beta^0 H_k^\alpha$. Then for any $0 < \alpha \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_{n,\beta}(\varphi, x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \sum_{m=1}^{[\frac{n}{2}] - 3} \frac{1}{m^2} \left\{ \int_0^{2m\pi} \left[\varphi(x) - \varphi\left(x + \frac{t}{n} + \frac{5-\beta}{2n}\pi\right) \right] \cos t dt - \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \int_{-2m\pi}^0 \left[\varphi(x) - \varphi\left(x + \frac{t}{n} - \frac{3+\beta}{2n}\pi\right) \right] \cos t dt \right\} + O\left(\frac{1}{n^\alpha}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Put

$$C_k(\alpha) = \sup_{f \in H_k^\alpha} |a_1(f)| = \sup_{f \in H_k^\alpha} \left| \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos x dx \right|.$$

Theorem 6. For any $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ the asymptotic equality

$$\mathcal{E}_{S_n}(W_\beta^0 H_k^\alpha) = \frac{C_k(\alpha)}{\pi} \frac{\ln n}{n^\alpha} + O\left(\frac{\ln \ln n}{n^\alpha}\right)$$

holds.

From Theorems 4 and 6 there follows

Theorem 7. For any $r \geq 0$ and $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ the asymptotic equality

$$\mathcal{E}_{S_n}(W_\beta^r H_k^\alpha) = \frac{C_k(\alpha)}{\pi} \frac{\ln n}{n^{r+\alpha}} + O\left(\frac{\ln \ln n}{n^{r+\alpha}}\right)$$

holds.

Putting in Theorems 5–7 $\beta = r$ and $\beta = r + 1$, we obtain the solution of problems I and II for the approximation of functions of the classes H_k^α and \overline{H}_k^α by Fourier sums, and the solution of problem II for the approximation of functions of the classes $W^r H_k^\alpha$ and $W^r \overline{H}_k^\alpha$ by Fourier sums.

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