

## ON THE ONE-SIDED APPROXIMATION OF FUNCTIONS

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**Summary.** Let the function  $f$  be defined on the interval  $[a, b]$  and let us set  $\omega_k(f, x; \delta) = \sup | \Delta_h^k f(t) |$ ,  $t, t+kh \in [x-k\delta/2, x+k\delta/2] \cap [a, b]$ , where

$$\Delta_h^k f(t) = \sum_{m=0}^k (-1)^{k+m} \binom{k}{m} f(t+mh),$$

The following new modulus of the function  $f$  is considered:  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} = \| \omega_k(f, x; \delta) \|_{L_p[a, b]}$ . There are given direct and converse theorems for one-sided trigonometrical approximation of functions in  $L_p$ . An application of the modulus  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_1}$  in order to estimate the error of the Newton Cotes quadrature formulas is also given.

The purpose of this paper is to introduce a new characteristic of the functions and to show that this characteristic is useful in problems, connected with one-sided approximation of functions, and also for estimation of the error of the Newton-Cotes composite quadrature formulas.

Let the function  $f$  be defined on the interval  $[a, b]$ . We set:

$$\omega_k(f, x; \delta) = \sup \{ | \Delta_h^k f(t) | : t, t+kh \in [x-k\delta/2, x+k\delta/2] \cap [a, b] \},$$

where

$$\Delta_h^k f(t) = \sum_{m=0}^k (-1)^{k+m} \binom{k}{m} f(t+mh).$$

The characteristic — the modulus — of function  $f$ , which we shall consider here, is the following:

$$(1) \quad \tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p[a, b]} = \| \omega_k(f, x; \delta) \|_{L_p[a, b]}.$$

Modulus of the type (1) for  $k=1$  was considered, as we know, by B. Sendov [1] and P. P. Korovkin [2] first. The case  $k=1, p=1$  is considered by E. P. Dolženko and E. A. Sevastianov [3], where many properties of  $\tau_1(f; \delta)_{L_1}$  are given. In [4] B. Sendov uses the modulus  $\tau_1(f; \delta)_{L_p}$  for the study of the convergence of sequences of linear positive operators.

This modulus has properties which are similar to the properties of the usual modulus of continuity in  $L_p$  (for simplification we consider the  $2\pi$ -periodical case):

$$\omega_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} = \sup \left\{ \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |\Delta_h^k f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} : 0 < h \leq \delta, 1 \leq p \leq \infty \right\}.$$

Lemma 1. Let  $f$  and  $g$  be  $2\pi$ -periodical functions and  $f, g \in L_p[0, 2\pi]$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . Then

- 1)  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} \leq \tau_k(f; \delta')_{L_p}$ ,  $\delta \leq \delta'$ ;
- 2)  $\omega_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} \leq \tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$ ;
- 3)  $\omega_k(f; \delta)_{L_\infty} = \tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_\infty}$ ;
- 4)  $\tau_k(f+g; \delta)_{L_p} \leq \tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} + \tau_k(g; \delta)_{L_p}$ ;
- 5)  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} \leq \delta \tau_{k-1}(f'; \delta)_{L_p}$ ;
- 6)  $\tau_1(f; \delta)_{L_p} \leq \delta \|f'\|_{L_p}$ ;
- 7)  $\tau_k(f; \lambda \delta)_{L_p} \leq (1 + c_1 \lambda)^{c_2 k} \tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$ , where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are constants (we do not know its exact value now).

Other properties of  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$  are given in the paper of A. Andreev in this volume p. 205—208.

Let  $T_n$  be the set of all trigonometrical polynomials of  $n$ -th order. The best one-sided approximation of the function  $f \in L_p(0, 2\pi)$  in  $L_p$  by means of trigonometrical polynomials of  $n$ -th order is given by  $\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_{L_p} = \inf \|P - Q\|_{L_p}$ ,  $P, Q \in T_n$ ,  $Q(x) \leq f(x) \leq P(x)$  for all  $x$ .

There are many works on the one-sided approximation of functions (see for example [5]-[12]). Let us mention only the result of T. Ganelius [6]:

$$\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_{L_1} \leq c(k) n^{-k-1} V_0^{2\pi} f^{(k)},$$

where  $V_0^{2\pi} f^{(k)}$  denotes the variation of the  $k$ -th derivative  $f^{(k)}$  of the function  $f$ , and the result of Babenko and Ligun [7]:

$$\sup \{ \tilde{E}_n^T(f)_{L_p} : f \in W^k L_p \} = O(n^{-k}), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

( $f \in W^k L_p$  if  $f^{(k-1)}$  is absolutely continuous and  $\|f^{(k)}\|_{L_p} \leq 1$ ).

It is easy to see that it is not possible to obtain Jackson's type theorems for the best one-sided approximation by means of the usual modulus of continuity  $\omega_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$ . But using the modulus  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$  it is possible to obtain direct (Jackson's type) and converse (Bernstein's type) theorems for the best one-sided approximation.

The direct theorem is the following:

Theorem 1. Let  $f$  be a bounded  $2\pi$ -periodical function. Then for  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  we have:  $\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_{L_p} \leq c(k) \tau_k(f; n^{-1})_{L_p}$ .

For the proof see [13], [14] (see also the cited paper of A. Andreev).

The converse theorem for the best one-sided trigonometrical approximation we shall give in the following form (Salem-Steckin form of Bernstein's theorem):

Theorem 2. We have: ( $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ )

$$\tau_k(f; n^{-1})_{L_p} \leq c_1(k) n^{-k} \sum_{\delta=0}^n \delta^{k-1} \tilde{E}_\delta^T(f)_{L_p}.$$

The constants  $c(k)$  and  $c_1(k)$  in theorems 1 and 2 depend only on  $k$ . The proof of theorem 2 is given in [15].

We see that it is possible to obtain the full characterization of the best one-sided trigonometrical approximation by means of the modulus  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$ : from theorem 1 and 2 it follows, as usual.

Corollary. We have  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} = O(\delta^a)$ ,  $k-1 \leq a < k$ , if and only if  $\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_{L_p} = O(n^{-a})$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ .

It is possible to obtain also direct and converse theorems for the best one-sided approximation of functions by means of splines, using the modulus  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$ . The direct theorem is as theorem 1, but we have not now the final converse theorem for one-sided spline approximation.

Remark. Obviously in the case  $p = \infty$  theorems 1 and 2 are the well-known theorems for the best uniform approximation (see lemma 1, property 2).

Now we shall give an application of the modulus  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_1}$  in order to estimate the error of the Newton-Cotes quadrature formulas.

Theorem 3. The following estimations are true:

a) for the triangular rule:

$$(2) \quad \left| \int_0^1 f(x) dx - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f((2i-1)/2n) \right| \leq c_1 \tau_2(f; n^{-1})_{L_1};$$

b) for trapezoidal rule:

$$(3) \quad \left| \int_0^1 f(x) dx - (1/2n)(f(0) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} f(i/n) + f(1)) \right| \leq c_2 \tau_2(f; n^{-1})_{L_1};$$

c) for Simpson's rule:

$$(4) \quad \left| \int_0^1 f(x) dx - (1/6n)(f(0) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} f(i/n) + 4 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} f((2i-1)/2n) + f(1)) \right| \leq c_3 \tau_4(f; n^{-1})_{L_1}.$$

Estimations of this type are true for the general composite quadrature formulas of Newton-Cotes type.

The proof of (3) is immediate:

$$\left| \int_0^1 f(x) dx - (1/2n)(f(0) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} f(i/n) + f(1)) \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{(i-1)/n}^{i/n} |f(x) - \{f(\frac{i-1}{n}) + (nx-i+1)f(\frac{i}{n}) - f(\frac{i-1}{n})\}| dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{(i-1)/n}^{i/n} \omega_2(f, x; n^{-1}) dx = \tau_2(f; n^{-1})_{L_1}.$$

The proofs of (2) and (4) are more complicated.

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