

ON THE HAUSDORFF CONVERGENCE
OF SUMMATIVE FORMULAE

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1. Introduction. Let $x_{i,n}$, $0 \leq i \leq n$, $n=1,2,\dots$, be points in the interval $\Delta = [a,b]$ and let φ_i^n , $0 \leq i \leq n$, $n=1,2,\dots$, be positive continuous functions defined in Δ such that for all $x \in [a,b]$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \varphi_k^n(x) = 1.$$

A sequence $\{\phi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ of summative formulae is a sequence of linear positive operators on B_{Δ} defined by

$$\phi_n(f;x) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_{i,n}) \varphi_i^n(x),$$

where $f \in B_{\Delta}$ and B_{Δ} is the set of all functions defined in Δ .

Well known examples of summative formulae are Bernstein polynomials ($\Delta = [0,1]$, $x_{i,n} = i/n$, $\varphi_i^n = \binom{n}{i} x^i (1-x)^{n-i}$) and Fejer interpolative polynomials ($\Delta = [-1,1]$, $x_{i,n} = \cos(\pi(2i-1)/(2n))$, and $\varphi_i^n = (\cos(n \arccos x) / (n(x-x_{i,n})))^2 (1-xx_{i,n})$).

Given a sequence $\{\phi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ of summative formulae, it is important to determine large classes of functions f , for which the sequence of functions $\{\phi_n(f)\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is convergent to f (with respect to a specified metric). It has been proved that both Bernstein and Fejer polynomials are convergent with respect to the Hausdorff distance, if f is a Hausdorff continuous (H-continuous) function; see [1].

In this paper we investigate the inverse problem: whether from the convergence of $\{\phi_n(f)\}$ to f for some function f , the H-continuity of f follows. For the case of the Bernstein polynomials

a negative answer can be obtained easily by considering the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x \in [0, 1) \\ 1 & \text{for } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

In this case, however, f is not H -continuous in a single point ($x=1$) and this point is an endpoint of the interval.

Here we prove a stronger result, namely the correctness of the following claim:

Theorem. If $\{\phi_n\}$ is an arbitrary sequence of summative formulae with $\Delta = [0, 1]$ that is H -convergent for H -continuous functions, then there exists a function f such that $\{\phi_n(f)\}$ is H -convergent to f and the completed graph of f is the set $I^2 = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ (the unit square).

2. Preliminary statements. For each subinterval $[c, d]$ of Δ define

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\delta}_{c,d}(x) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [c, d], \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in [0, 1] \setminus [c, d]; \end{cases} \\ \underline{\delta}_{c,d}(x) &= 1 - \bar{\delta}_{c,d}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 1. If $0 \leq c < c_1 < d_1 < d \leq 1$ then

$$\inf_{x \in [c_1, d_1]} \phi_n(\bar{\delta}_{c,d}; x) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1, \quad \sup_{x \in [c_1, d_1]} \phi_n(\underline{\delta}_{c,d}; x) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

Proof. Follows from the H -continuity of $\bar{\delta}_{c,d}$ and $\underline{\delta}_{c,d}$. \square

Denote $L_x = \{(i, n) : 0 \leq i \leq n, x_{i,n} = x\}$.

Lemma 2. Let $0 < a_1 < x_0 < b_1 < 1$, $\Delta_1 = [a_1, b_1]$, and L_{x_0} contains an infinite number of elements. Then for all $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists N such that if $n > N$ and $(i, n) \in L_{x_0}$, then $\sup_{x \in \Delta \setminus \Delta_1} \psi_1^n(x) < \varepsilon$.

Proof. Let $a_2 \in (a_1, x_0)$, $b_2 \in (x_0, b_1)$. Denote $h(x) = \bar{\delta}_{a_2, b_2}(x)$. From the H -continuity of h it follows that $r(\Delta, 1; \phi_n(h), h) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$, whence for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists N such that if $n > N$ then $\sup_{x \in \Delta \setminus \Delta_1} \phi_n(h; x) < \varepsilon$ ($r(\Delta, 1; f_1, f_2)$ is the Hausdorff distance with a parameter 1 between functions f_1 and f_2 in Δ and will be denoted further only by $r(f_1, f_2)$ for brevity).

Let integers i and n satisfy $n > N$ and $(i, n) \in L_{x_0}$. Then for all x in Δ $\varphi_i^n(x) \leq \sum_{x_j, n \in [a_2, b_2]} \varphi_j^n(x) = \phi_n(h; x)$ and consequently $\sup_{x \in \Delta \setminus \Delta_i} \varphi_i^n(x) \leq \sup_{x \in \Delta \setminus \Delta_i} \phi_n(h; x) < \xi$. \square

3. Counterexample construction. To prove the Theorem, we shall find a function f satisfying

- (1) $r(\phi_n(f), f) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$;
- (2) $F(f) = I^2$,

where $F(f)$ denotes the completed graph of f .

To this end we construct a sequence of functions f_0, f_1, \dots such that $r(\phi_n(f_k), I^2) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ and the function f defined by $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$ satisfies the conditions (1) and (2).

For all integers j and k , $0 \leq j \leq 3^k$ denote

$$\begin{aligned} x_j^k &= j \cdot 3^{-k} , \\ A_j^k &= [x_j^k + 3^{-k-2} , x_{j+2}^k - 3^{-k-2}] , \\ C_j^k &= [x_{j+1}^k - 2 \cdot 3^{-k-2} , x_{j+1}^k - 3^{-k-2}] , \\ D_j^k &= [x_j^k + 3^{-k-2} , x_{j+1}^k - 3^{-k-2}] . \end{aligned}$$

The sequence $\{f_n\}$ will be defined recursively. Suppose that functions f_0, f_1, \dots, f_n and integers $m_0 \leq m_1 \leq \dots \leq m_n$ are determined such that if $1 \leq k \leq n$ and $i \geq m_1$ then

- (3) $\inf_{x \in A_j^k} \phi_i(f_k; x) \leq 3^{-l-1}$;
- (4) $\sup_{x \in C_j^k} \phi_i(f_k; x) \geq 1 - 3^{-l-1}$; $l = k-1, k$,

and if $i \geq m_{k-1}$ then

- (5) $\phi_i(f_k) = \phi_i(f_{k-1})$.

We shall construct a function f_{n+1} and a number $m_{n+1} \geq m_n$ such that conditions (3), (4) and (5) are satisfied for $k = n+1$ and

$l=n, n+1$. In steps 1), 2), 3) to follow we determine 3 integers n_1, n_2 and n_3 , required for the construction of f_{n+1} .

1) From Lemma 1 there exists $n_1 \geq m_n$ such that if $i > n_1$ then $\sup_{x \in D_j^{n+1}} \phi_i(\delta_{x_j^{n+1}, x_{j+1}^{n+1}}; x) \leq 3^{-n-1}, j=0, 1, \dots, 3^{n+1}-1$, which means

that if functions h_1 and h_2 are equal in the interval $[x_j^{n+1}, x_{j+1}^{n+1}] \supset D_j^{n+1}$, then $\phi_i(h_1)$ and $\phi_i(h_2)$ differ in D_j^{n+1} by no more than 3^{-n-1} .

2) Let $X = \{x_{j,i} : 0 \leq j \leq i \leq n_1\}$,

$$L = \{(j, l) : x_{j, l} \in X \text{ and } L_{x_{j, l}} \text{ is a finite set}\}.$$

Since L itself is finite, $\max\{l : (j, l) \in L \text{ for some } j\} = n_2 < \infty$. So if $l > \tilde{n}_2, 0 \leq j \leq l$ and $x_{j, l} \in X$, then $L_{x_{j, l}}$ contains infinite number of elements.

Denote $\gamma = 3^{-n-4}/(n_1+1)^2, L' = \{(j, l) : 0 \leq j \leq l, l \geq n_1, x_{j, l} \in X\}$ and $X_{j, l} = \{x \in \Delta : |x - x_{j, l}| > \gamma\}, (j, l) \in L'$. Since X contains a finite number of elements (at most $(n_1+1)(n_1+2)/2 \leq (n_1+1)^2$), then from Lemma 2 there exists $n_2 > \tilde{n}_2$ such that for all $(j, l) \in L'$

$$\sup_{x \in X_{j, l}} \psi_j^l(x) \leq 3^{-n-1}/(n_1+1)^2.$$

Let $\tilde{X} = \bigcap_{(j, l) \in L'} X_{j, l}$. If f_1 and f_2 are functions satisfying $f_1(x) = f_2(x)$ for $x \in \Delta \setminus X$ and $l \geq n_2$, then from the choice of n_2 for all $x \in \tilde{X} |\phi_1(f_1; x) - \phi_1(f_2; x)| \leq 3^{-n-1}$. Besides each subinterval of Δ with length 3^{-n-3} contains points from \tilde{X} .

3) From the convergence of $\{\Phi_n\}$ for the function $\bar{\delta}_{a, b}, 0 \leq a < b \leq 1$, there exists $n_3 \geq n_2$ such that if

$$g_1^j(x) = \phi_1(\bar{\delta}_{x_{9j+5}^{n+2}, x_{9j+6}^{n+2}})$$

and $i > n_3, 0 \leq j \leq 3^n - 1$, then

$$(6) \quad \inf_{x \in D_{3j+1}^{n+1}} g_1^j(x) \leq 3^{-n-1};$$

$$(7) \quad \sup_{x \in D_{3^{j+1}}^{n+1}} g_i^j(x) \geq 1 - 3^{-n-1}.$$

Now we are ready to define f_{n+1} . Let $x = x_{k,i}$ and from $x_{k,i} = x_{k',i}$, $i \leq i'$ follows. Then if $0 \leq j \leq 3^n - 1$ let $f_n(x_{k,i})$ be equal to:

- $f_n(x_{k,i})$, if $i \leq n_1$;
 1, if $x_{k,i} \in [x_j^n + 2 \cdot 3^{-n-2}, x_j^n + 3^{-n-1}]$, $i > n_3$;
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 1, if $x_{k,i} \in [x_j^n + 2 \cdot 3^{-n-1}, x_j^n + 2 \cdot 3^{-n-1} + 2 \cdot 3^{-n-2}]$, $n_1 < i \leq n_3$;
 1, if $x_{k,i} \in [x_{j+1}^n - 3^{-n-2}, x_{j+1}^n]$, $i > n_1$;
 0, otherwise.

For all other x in Δ define $f(x) = 0$.

Similarly as in Step 2) above, it can be shown that there exists N such that if $i > N$ and $0 \leq j \leq 3^{n+1}$

$$(8) \quad \inf_{x \in A_j^{n+1}} \phi_i(f_{n+1}; x) \leq 3^{-n-2},$$

$$(9) \quad \sup_{x \in C_j^{n+1}} \phi_i(f_{n+1}; x) \geq 1 - 3^{-n-2}.$$

Let $m_{n+1} = \max\{n_2, N\}$ and $m_n \leq i \leq m_{n+1}$. We shall prove that for $j \in [0, 3^n - 1]$

$$(10) \quad \inf_{x \in D_j^n} \phi_i(f_{n+1}; x) \leq 3^{-n},$$

$$(11) \quad \sup_{x \in D_j^n} \phi_i(f_{n+1}; x) \geq 1 - 3^{-n}.$$

If $m_n \leq i \leq n_1$ then $f_{n+1}(x) = f_n(x)$ and the stronger inequalities (3) and (4) hold.

If $n_1 < i \leq n_3$ then the difference between $\phi_i(f_{n+1}; x)$ and $\phi_i(f_n; x)$ in the intervals A_j^n and C_j^n as a result of the difference between f_n and f_{n+1} in the intervals $[x_1^n + 3^{-n-1}, x_1^n + 2 \cdot 3^{-n-1}]$, $0 \leq l \leq 3^n - 1$, does not exceed 3^{-n-1} , i.e. (10) and (11) are satisfied.

And finally if $n_3 < i \leq m_{n+1}$ then the difference between

$\phi_1(f_{n+1}; x)$ and $g_1^j(x)$ on the interval $D_{3j+1}^{n+1} \subset D_j^n$ as a result of the difference between f_{n+1} and g_1^j outside the interval

$[x_{3j+1}^{n+1}, x_{3j+2}^{n+1}]$ and the choice of n_1 does not exceed 3^{-n-1} ; as a result of their difference inside the interval $[x_{3j+1}^{n+1}, x_{3j+2}^{n+1}]$ and the choice of n_2 does not exceed 3^{-n-1} ; or $2 \cdot 3^{-n-1}$ together. Having in consideration the inequalities (6) and (7), the correctness of (10) and (11) follows.

The sequence $\{f_n\}$ will be correctly defined if f_0 and m_0 are determined. For f_0 we can take $\bar{\delta}_{0, 2/3}$ and m_0 can be then found from the conditions (3) and (4).

Next we prove that the sequence constructed has the desired properties.

Let from $x_{k,i} = x_{k_1, i_1}$ $i \leq i_1$ follows, and let

$$(12) \quad m_{l-1} < i \leq m_l \cdot$$

Then for all $n \geq 1$ $f_n(x) = f_1(x)$. Thus the sequence $\{f_n(x)\}$ is a sequence of a constant and the definition $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$ is correct.

Furthermore $f(x) = f_1(x)$ and consequently $\phi_1(f; x) = \phi_1(f_1; x)$.

Obviously $F(f) = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x, y \leq 1\} = I^2$. Then from (10) and (11)

$$r(\phi_1(f), f) = r(\phi_1(f_1), f) \leq 3^{-l+1},$$

where l is determined from (12), and

$$r(\phi_1(f), f) \xrightarrow{l \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

Thus the function f has the desired properties.

It is obvious that the result of the paper can be generalized to an arbitrary positive parameter λ of the Hausdorff distance (instead of 1) and arbitrary interval (instead of Δ).

The speed of the convergence of $\{\phi_n(f)\}$ depends of the properties of the operators ϕ_n , but we do not treat this problem here. It is an open problem to determine a function to replace f with highest possible speed of convergence.

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