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ON CERTAIN MODIFIED SZÁSZ-MIRAKYAN OPERATORS
 FOR FUNCTIONS OF TWO VARIABLES

Abstract. We introduce certain modified Szász-Mirakyan operators in polynomial weighted spaces of functions of two variables and we study approximation properties of these operators. The similar theorems for function of one variable are given in [2].

1. Preliminaries

1.1. Let as in [1], for $p \in N_0 := \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$,

$$(1) \quad w_0(x) := 1, \quad w_p(x) := (1 + x^p)^{-1} \quad \text{if } p \geq 1, \quad x \in R_0 := [0, +\infty).$$

Next, for fixed $p, q \in N_0$, we define the weighted function

$$(2) \quad w_{p,q}(x, y) := w_p(x) w_q(y), \quad (x, y) \in R_0^2 := R_0 \times R_0,$$

and the weighted space $C_{p,q}$ of all real-valued functions f continuous on R_0^2 for which $w_{p,q}f$ is uniformly continuous and bounded on R_0^2 and the norm is defined by the formula

$$(3) \quad \|f\|_{p,q} \equiv \|f(\cdot, \cdot)\| := \sup_{(x,y) \in R_0^2} w_{p,q}(x, y) |f(x, y)|.$$

The modulus of continuity of $f \in C_{p,q}$ we define as usual

$$(4) \quad \omega(f, C_{p,q}; t, s) := \sup_{0 \leq h \leq t, 0 \leq \delta \leq s} \|\Delta_{h,\delta} f(\cdot, \cdot)\|_{p,q}, \quad t, s \geq 0,$$

where $\Delta_{h,\delta} f(x, y) := f(x + h, y + \delta) - f(x, y)$. Moreover, for fixed $p, q \in N_0$ and $m \in N := \{1, 2, \dots\}$, let $C_{p,q}^m$ denote the set of all functions $f \in C_{p,q}$ with the partial derivatives $f_{x^j, y^{k-j}}^{(k)}$, $k = 1, \dots, m$, belonging also to $C_{p,q}$.

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1.2. For $f \in C_{p,q}$, $p, q \in N_0$, we define operators $S_{m,n}(f; a_m, b_m, c_n, d_n; x, y) \equiv S_{m,n}(f; x, y)$

$$(5) \quad S_{m,n}(f; x, y) := \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varphi_j(a_m x) \varphi_k(c_n y) f\left(\frac{j}{b_m}, \frac{k}{d_n}\right), \quad (x, y) \in R_0^2,$$

$m, n \in N,$

where

$$(6) \quad \varphi_i(t) := e^{-t} \frac{t^i}{i!} \quad \text{for } t \in R_0, \quad i \in N_0,$$

and $(a_n)_1^\infty$, $(b_n)_1^\infty$, $(c_n)_1^\infty$, $(d_n)_1^\infty$ are given increasing and unbounded sequences of positive numbers and such that

$$(7) \quad \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 1 + o\left(\frac{1}{b_n}\right), \quad \frac{c_n}{d_n} = 1 + o\left(\frac{1}{d_n}\right).$$

Write

$$(8) \quad M := \sup_{n \in N} \frac{a_n}{b_n}, \quad M^* := \sup_{n \in N} \frac{c_n}{d_n}.$$

If $a_n = b_n = c_n = d_n = n$ for all $n \in N$, then $S_{m,n}$ defined by (5) is classical Szász-Mirakyan operator examined for continuous and bounded functions in [3].

In the paper [2] there were considered modified Szász-Mirakyan operators $S_n(f; a_n, b_n; x) \equiv S_n(f; x)$ for functions of one variable

$$(9) \quad S_n(f; x) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varphi_k(a_n x) f\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right), \quad x \in R_0, \quad n \in N,$$

with given sequences (a_n) and (b_n) as above. The classical Szász-Mirakyan operators, i.e. S_n with $a_n = b_n = n$ were examined in [1].

From (5)–(9) we deduce that $S_{m,n}(f)$ are well-defined in every space $C_{p,q}$, $p, q \in N_0$. Moreover we have

$$(10) \quad S_{m,n}(1; a_m, b_m, c_n, d_n; x, y) = 1 \quad \text{for } (x, y) \in R_0^2, \quad m, n \in N,$$

and if $f \in C_{p,q}$ and $f(x, y) = f_1(x)f_2(y)$ for all $(x, y) \in R_0^2$, then

$$(11) \quad S_{m,n}(1; a_m, b_m, c_n, d_n; x, y) = S_m(f_1; a_m, b_m; x) S_n(f_2; c_n, d_n; y)$$

for all $(x, y) \in R_0^2$ and $m, n \in N$.

In Section 2 we give some auxiliary results. In Section 3 we prove main results.

In this paper by $M_k(\alpha, \beta)$ we shall denote suitable positive constants depending only on indicated parameters α, β .

2. Auxiliary results

From (9) and (6) we get for $x \in R_0$ and $n \in N$

$$(12) \quad S_n(1; a_n, b_n; x) = 1,$$

$$S_n(t - x; a_n, b_n; x) = \left(\frac{a_n}{b_n} - 1 \right) x,$$

$$(13) \quad S_n((t - x)^2; a_n, b_n; x) = \left(\frac{a_n}{b_n} - 1 \right)^2 x^2 + \frac{a_n x}{b_n^2}.$$

In the paper [2] the following two lemmas for S_n defined by (9) were proved.

LEMMA 1. *For every fixed $p \in N_0$ there exist positive constants $M_i \equiv M_i(p, b_1, M)$, $i = 1, 2$, such that for all $x \in R_0$ and $n \in N$*

$$(14) \quad \begin{cases} w_p(x) S_n \left(\frac{1}{w_p(t)}; x \right) \leq M_1, \\ w_p(x) S_n \left(\frac{(t - x)^2}{w_p(t)}; x \right) \leq M_2 \left[\frac{x}{b_n} + \left(\frac{a_n}{b_n} - 1 \right)^2 x^2 \right]. \end{cases}$$

LEMMA 2. *For every $x \in R_0$*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n S_n((t - x)^k; x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k = 1, \\ x & \text{if } k = 2, \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n^2 S_n((t - x)^k; x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } k = 3, \\ 3x^2 & \text{if } k = 4. \end{cases}$$

Applying Lemma 1 we shall prove two lemmas on $S_{m,n}$ defined by (5).

LEMMA 3. *For every $p, q \in N_0$ there exists a positive constant $M_4 \equiv M_4(p, q, b_1, d_1, M, M^*)$ such that*

$$(16) \quad \left\| S_{m,n} \left(\frac{1}{w_{p,q}(t, z)} \right) \right\|_{p,q} \leq M_4 \quad \text{for } m, n \in N.$$

Moreover for every $f \in C_{p,q}$ we have

$$(17) \quad \|S_{m,n}(f)\|_{p,q} \leq M_4 \|f\|_{p,q} \quad \text{for } m, n \in N.$$

The formulas (5)–(8) and the inequality (17) show that $S_{m,n}$, $m, n \in N$, defined by (5) are linear positive operators from the space $C_{p,q}$ into $C_{p,q}$.

Proof. The inequality (16) follows immediately from (2), (11) and (14).

From (5) and (3) we get for $f \in C_{p,q}$

$$\|S_{m,n}(f)\|_{p,q} \leq \|f\|_{p,q} \left\| S_{m,n} \left(\frac{1}{w_{p,q}} \right) \right\|_{p,q}, \quad m, n \in N,$$

which by (16) implies (17).

LEMMA 4. Let $f \in C_{p,q}$, $p, q \in N_0$. Then there exists a positive constant $M_5 \equiv M_5(p, q, b_1, d_1, M, M^*)$ such that for all $m, n \in N$

$$(18) \quad \|(S_{m,n}(f))'_x\|_{p,q} \leq M_5 \|f\|_{p,q} a_m,$$

$$(19) \quad \|(S_{m,n}(f))'_y\|_{p,q} \leq M_5 \|f\|_{p,q} c_n.$$

Proof. We shall prove only (18) because the proof of (19) is identical. From (5) and (6) we get

$$(S_{m,n}(f))'_x(x, y)$$

$$= a_m \left\{ -S_{m,n}(f; x, y) + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varphi_j(a_m x) \varphi_k(c_n y) f\left(\frac{j+1}{b_m}, \frac{k}{d_n}\right) \right\}$$

for all $(x, y) \in R_0^2$ and $m, n \in N$. Thus

$$(20) \quad \|(S_{m,n}(f))'_x\|_{p,q} \leq a_m \left\{ \|S_{m,n}(f)\|_{p,q} + \|f\|_{p,q} \left\| S_{m,n}\left(\frac{1}{w_{p,q}(t+1/b_m, z)}; \cdot; \cdot\right) \right\|_{p,q} \right\}.$$

By (1), (2) and (5) we have

$$(w_{p,q}(t+1/b_m, z))^{-1} \leq 2^p (1 + b_1^{-p}) (w_{p,q}(t, z))^{-1},$$

which implies the inequality

$$\|S_{m,n}((w_{p,q}(t+1/b_m, z))^{-1})\|_{p,q} \leq 2^p (1 + b_1^{-p}) \|S_{m,n}(1/w_{p,q}(t, z))\|_{p,q}.$$

Now, using (16) and (17), we obtain (18) from (20).

3. Theorems

3.1. First we shall give two theorems on the degree of approximation of functions by $S_{m,n}$ defined by (5).

THEOREM 1. Suppose that $f \in C_{p,q}^1$ with fixed $p, q \in N_0$. Then there exists a positive constant $M_6 = M_6(p, q, b_1, d_1, M, M^*)$ such that for all $(x, y) \in R_0^2$ and $m, n \in N$

$$(21) \quad w_{p,q}(x, y) |S_{m,n}(f; x, y) - f(x, y)| \leq M_6 \left\{ \|f'_x\|_{p,q} \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}} + \|f'_y\|_{p,q} \sqrt{\frac{y}{d_n}} \right\}.$$

Proof. Let $(x, y) \in R_0^2$ be a fixed point. Then for $f \in C_{p,q}^1$ we have the formula

$$f(t, z) - f(x, y) = \int_x^t f'_u(u, z) du + \int_y^z f'_v(x, v) dv, \quad (t, z) \in R_0^2.$$

Thus, by (10), we obtain

$$(22) \quad S_{m,n}(f(t, z); x, y) - f(x, y) = S_{m,n} \left(\int_x^t f'_u(u, z) du; x, y \right) + S_{m,n} \left(\int_y^z f'_v(x, v) dv; x, y \right).$$

But, by (1)–(3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_x^t f'_u(u, z) du \right| &\leq \|f'_x\|_{p,q} \left| \int_x^t \frac{du}{w_{p,q}(u, z)} \right| \\ &\leq \|f'_x\|_{p,q} \left(\frac{1}{w_{p,q}(t, z)} + \frac{1}{w_{p,q}(x, z)} \right) |t - x|, \end{aligned}$$

which implies by, (1), (2), (5) and (9)–(12), that

$$\begin{aligned} w_{p,q}(x, y) \left| S_{m,n} \left(\int_x^t f'_u(u, z) du; x, y \right) \right| &\leq w_{p,q}(x, y) S_{m,n} \left(\left| \int_x^t f'_u(u, z) du \right|; x, y \right) \\ &\leq \|f'_x\|_{p,q} w_{p,q}(x, y) \\ &\quad \cdot \left\{ S_{m,n} \left(\frac{|t - x|}{w_{p,q}(t, z)}; x, y \right) + S_{m,n} \left(\frac{|t - x|}{w_{p,q}(x, z)}; x, y \right) \right\} \\ &\leq \|f'_x\|_{p,q} w_q(y) S_n \left(\frac{1}{w_q(z)}; c_n, d_n; y \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \left\{ w_p(x) S_m \left(\frac{|t - x|}{w_p(t)}; a_m, b_m; x \right) + S_m (|t - x|; a_m, b_m x) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying the Hölder inequality and (12)–(15), we get the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} S_m (|t - x|; a_m, b_m; x) &\leq \{S_m ((t - x)^2; a_m, b_m; x) S_m (1; a_m, b_m; x)\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq M_7(M) \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}}, \\ w_p(x) S_m \left(\frac{|t - x|}{w_p(t)}; a_m, b_m; x \right) &\leq \left\{ w_p(x) S_m \left(\frac{(t - x)^2}{w_p(t)}; a_m, b_m; x \right) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ w_p(x) S_m \left(\frac{1}{w_p(t)}; a_m, b_m; x \right) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq M_8(p, b_1, M) \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}} \end{aligned}$$

for $x \in R_0$ and $m \in N$. Consequently

$$w_{p,q}(x, y) \left| S_{m,n} \left(\int_x^t f'_u(u, z) du; x, y \right) \right| \leq M_9(p, b_1, M) \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}}, \quad m \in N.$$

Analogously we obtain

$$w_{p,q}(x, y) \left| S_{m,n} \left(\int_y^z f'_v(x, v) dv; x, y \right) \right| \leq M_{10}(q, d_1, M^*) \sqrt{\frac{y}{d_n}}, \quad n \in N.$$

Combining the last two inequalities, we derive from (22)

$$w_{p,q}(x, y) |S_{m,n}(f; x, y) - f(x, y)| \leq M_{11} \left\{ \|f'_x\|_{p,q} \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}} + \|f'_y\|_{p,q} \sqrt{\frac{y}{d_n}} \right\},$$

for all $m, n \in N$, $M_{11} = M_{11}(p, q, b_1, d_1, M, M^*) = \text{const.} > 0$. Thus the proof of (21) is completed.

THEOREM 2. *Suppose that $f \in C_{p,q}$, $p, q \in N_0$. Then there exists a positive constant $M_{12} \equiv M_{12}(p, q, b_1, d_1, M, M^*)$ such that*

$$(23) \quad w_{p,q}(x, y) |S_{m,n}(f; x, y) - f(x, y)| \leq M_{12} \omega \left(f, C_{p,q}; \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}}, \sqrt{\frac{y}{d_n}} \right),$$

for all $(x, y) \in R_0^2$ and $m, n \in N$.

Proof. We shall apply the Stieltjes function $f_{h,\delta}$ for $f \in C_{p,q}$

$$(24) \quad f_{h,\delta}(x, y) := \frac{1}{h\delta} \int_0^h \int_0^\delta f(x+u, y+v) dv du, \quad (x, y) \in R_0^2, h, \delta > 0.$$

From (24) it follows that

$$f_{h,\delta}(x, y) - f(x, y) = \frac{1}{h\delta} \int_0^h \int_0^\delta \Delta_{u,v} f(x, y) dv du,$$

and therefore

$$(f_{h,\delta})'_x(x, y) = \frac{1}{h\delta} \int_0^\delta (\Delta_{h,v} f(x, y) - \Delta_{0,v} f(x, y)) dv,$$

$$(f_{h,\delta})'_y(x, y) = \frac{1}{h\delta} \int_0^h (\Delta_{u,\delta} f(x, y) - \Delta_{u,0} f(x, y)) du.$$

Thus we have

$$(25) \quad \|f_{h,\delta} - f\|_{p,q} \leq \omega(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta),$$

$$(26) \quad \|(f_{h,\delta})'_x\|_{p,q} \leq 2h^{-1} \omega(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta),$$

$$(27) \quad \|(f_{h,\delta})'_y\|_{p,q} \leq 2\delta^{-1} \omega(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta),$$

for all $h, \delta > 0$, which show that $f_{h,\delta} \in C_{p,q}^1$ if $f \in C_{p,q}$ and $h, \delta > 0$. Now, for $S_{m,n}$ defined by (5), we can write

$$\begin{aligned} w_{p,q}(x, y) |S_{m,n}(f; x, y) - f(x, y)| \\ \leq w_{p,q}(x, y) \{ |S_{m,n}(f(t, z) - f_{h,\delta}(t, z); x, y)| \\ + |S_{m,n}(f_{h,\delta}(t, z); x, y) - f_{h,\delta}(x, y)| \\ + |f_{h,\delta}(x, y) - f(x, y)| \} := T_1 + T_2 + T_3. \end{aligned}$$

By (3), (17) and (25) we get

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &\leq \|S_{m,n}(f - f_{h,\delta}; \cdot, \cdot)\|_{p,q} \leq M_4 \|f - f_{h,\delta}\|_{p,q} \\ &\leq M_4 \omega(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta), \\ T_3 &\leq \omega(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta). \end{aligned}$$

Applying Theorem 1 and (26) and (27), we get

$$\begin{aligned} T_2 &\leq M_6 \left\{ \left\| (f_{h,\delta})'_x \right\|_{p,q} \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}} + \left\| (f_{h,\delta})'_y \right\|_{p,q} \sqrt{\frac{y}{d_n}} \right\} \\ &\leq 2M_6 \omega(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta) \left\{ h^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}} + \delta^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{y}{d_n}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently there exists $M_{13} \equiv M_{13}(p, q, b_1, d_1, M, M^*)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} (28) \quad w_{p,q}(x, y) |S_{m,n}(f; x, y) - f(x, y)| \\ \leq M_{13} \omega(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta) \left\{ 1 + h^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}} + \delta^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{y}{d_n}} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

for $(x, y) \in R^2$, $m, n \in N$ and $h, \delta > 0$. Now, for fixed $x, y > 0$ and $m, n \in N$ setting $h = \sqrt{\frac{x}{b_m}}$ and $\delta = \sqrt{\frac{y}{d_n}}$ to (28), we obtain (23).

If $x = 0 = y$, then by (5) we get $S_{m,n}(f; 0, 0) = f(0, 0)$, $m, n \in N$ which implies (23). If $x = 0, y > 0$ or $x > 0, y = 0$, we obtain (23) similarly as in [2].

From Theorem 2 follows

COROLLARY. *Let $f \in C_{p,q}$, $p, q \in N_0$. Then*

$$(29) \quad \lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} S_{m,n}(f; x, y) = f(x, y) \quad \text{for all } (x, y) \in R_0^2.$$

Moreover (29) holds uniformly on every rectangle $0 \leq x \leq x_0, 0 \leq y \leq y_0$.

3.2. In this part we give the Voronovskaya type theorem for the operators

$$(30) \quad S_{n,n}(f(t, z); x, y) := \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varphi_j(a_n x) \varphi_k(c_n y) f\left(\frac{j}{b_n}, \frac{k}{b_n}\right),$$

$(x, y) \in R_0^2$, $n \in N$, where $(a_n)_1^\infty$, $(b_n)_1^\infty$ and $(c_n)_1^\infty$ are given sequences of positive numbers such that

$$(31) \quad \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 1 + o\left(\frac{1}{b_n}\right) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{c_n}{b_n} = 1 + o\left(\frac{1}{b_n}\right).$$

THEOREM 3. Suppose that $f \in C_{p,q}^2$, $p, q \in N_0$. Then for every $(x, y) \in R_+^2 := \{(x, y) : x > 0, y > 0\}$

$$(32) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \{S_{n,n}(f; x, y) - f(x, y)\} = \frac{x}{2} f''_{xx}(x, y) + \frac{y}{2} f''_{yy}(x, y).$$

Proof. Choosing $(x, y) \in R_+^2$, by the Taylor formula for $f \in C_{p,q}^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(t, z) &= f(x, y) + f'_x(x, y)(t - x) + f'_y(x, y)(z - y) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \{f''_{xx}(x, y)(t - x)^2 + 2f''_{xy}(x, y)(t - x)(z - y) + f''_{yy}(x, y)(z - y)^2\} \\ &\quad + \varepsilon_1(t, z; x, y) \sqrt{(t - x)^4 + (z - y)^4}, \quad (t, z) \in R_0^2, \end{aligned}$$

where $\varepsilon_1(t, z) = \varepsilon_1(t, z; x, y)$ is a function from $C_{p,q}$ and $\varepsilon_1(x, y) = 0$. From this and by (30), (5), (9)–(12) we get

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n,n}(f(t, z); x, y) &= f(x, y) + f'_x(x, y)S_n(t - x; a_n, b_n; x) \\ &\quad + f'_y(x, y)S_n(z - y; c_n, b_n; y) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \{f''_{xx}(x, y)S_n((t - x)^2; a_n, b_n; x) \\ &\quad + 2f''_{xy}(x, y)S_n(t - x; a_n, b_n; x)S_n(z - y; c_n, b_n; y) \\ &\quad + f''_{yy}(x, y)S_n((z - y)^2; c_n, b_n; y)\} \\ &\quad + S_{n,n}\left(\varepsilon_1(t, z) \sqrt{(t - x)^4 + (z - y)^4}; x, y\right) \quad \text{for } n \in N, \end{aligned}$$

which, by (13), (31) and Lemma 2, implies that

$$(33) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \{S_{n,n}(f; x, y) - f(x, y)\} = \frac{x}{2} f''_{xx}(x, y) + \frac{y}{2} f''_{yy}(x, y) \\ + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n S_{n,n}\left(\varepsilon_1(t, z) \sqrt{(t - x)^4 + (z - y)^4}; x, y\right).$$

By the Hölder inequality and by (9)–(12) we have

$$(34) \quad \begin{aligned} &\left| S_{n,n}\left(\varepsilon_1(t, z) \sqrt{(t - x)^4 + (z - y)^4}; x, y\right) \right| \\ &\leq \{S_{n,n}(\varepsilon_1^2(t, z); x, y)\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \{S_n((t - x)^4; a_n, b_n; x) + S_n((z - y)^4; c_n, b_n; y)\}^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

The properties of ε_1 and Corollary imply that

$$(35) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{n,n}(\varepsilon_1^2(t, z); x, y) = \varepsilon_1^2(x, y) = 0.$$

Using (35) and Lemma 2, we obtain from (34)

$$(36) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n S_{n,n} \left(\varepsilon_1(t, z) \sqrt{(t-x)^4 + (z-y)^4}; x, y \right) = 0.$$

From (36) and (33) follows (32).

3.3. Now, we shall prove certain analogue of (29) for derivatives of operators $S_{n,n}$ defined in (30).

THEOREM 4. *Let $f \in C_{p,q}^1$ with some $p, q \in N_0$. Then for every $(x, y) \in R_+^2$ we have*

$$(37) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (S_{n,n}(f))'_x = f'_x(x, y),$$

$$(38) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (S_{n,n}(f))'_y = f'_y(x, y),$$

P r o o f. We shall prove only (37) because the proof of (38) is identical. Similarly as in the proof of Lemma 4, we get, for $S_{n,n}$ defined by (30), the relations

$$\begin{aligned} (S_{n,n})'_x(x, y) &= -a_n S_{n,n}(f(t, z); x, y) + \frac{b_n}{x} S_{n,n}(tf(t, z); x, y) \\ &= (b_n - a_n) S_{n,n}(f(t, z); x, y) \\ &\quad + \frac{b_n}{x} S_{n,n}((t-x)f(t, z); x, y), \quad n \in N. \end{aligned}$$

For fixed $(x, y) \in R_+^2$, we have, by the Taylor formula for $f \in C_{p,q}^1$,

$$\begin{aligned} f(t, z) &= f(x, y) + f'_x(x, y)(t-x) + f'_y(x, y)(z-y) \\ &\quad + \varepsilon_2(t, z; x, y) \sqrt{(t-x)^2 + (z-y)^2}, \quad (t, z) \in R_0^2, \end{aligned}$$

where $\varepsilon_2(t, z) = \varepsilon_2(t, z; x, y)$ is a function with $C_{p,q}$ and $\varepsilon_2(x, y) = 0$. From this and by (9)–(12) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (39) \quad (S_{n,n}(f))'_x(x, y) &= (b_n - a_n) \left\{ f(x, y) + f'_x(x, y) S_n(t-x; a_n, b_n; x) \right. \\ &\quad + f'_y(x, y) S_n(z-y; c_n, b_n; y) \\ &\quad + S_{n,n} \left(\varepsilon_2(t, z) \sqrt{(t-x)^2 + (z-y)^2}; x, y \right) \Big\} \\ &\quad + \frac{b_n}{x} \left\{ f(x, y) S_n(t; a_n, b_n; x) + f'_x(x, y) S_n((t-x)^2; a_n, b_n; x) \right. \\ &\quad + f'_y(x, y) S_n(t-x; a_n, b_n; x) S_n(z-y; c_n, b_n; y) \\ &\quad \left. + S_{n,n} \left(\varepsilon_2(t, z)(t-x) \sqrt{(t-x)^2 + (z-y)^2}; x, y \right) \right\}, \quad n \in N. \end{aligned}$$

The properties of ε_2 and Corollary imply that

$$(40) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{n,n} \left(\varepsilon_2(t, z) \sqrt{(t-x)^2 + (z-y)^2}; x, y \right) = 0$$

and

$$(41) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{n,n} (\varepsilon_2(t, z); x, y) = \varepsilon_2^2(x, y) = 0.$$

By the Hölder inequality and by (9)–(12) we get the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| S_{n,n} \left(\varepsilon_2(t, z) (t-x) \sqrt{(t-x)^2 + (z-y)^2}; x, y \right) \right| \\ & \leq \left\{ S_{n,n} (\varepsilon_2^2(t, z); x, y) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ S_n ((t-x)^4; a_n, b_n; x) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + S_n ((t-x)^2; a_n, b_n; x) S_n ((z-y)^2; c_n, b_n; y) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \end{aligned}$$

which, by Lemma 2 and (41), implies that

$$(42) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n S_{n,n} \left(\varepsilon_2(t, z) (t-x) \sqrt{(t-x)^2 + (z-y)^2}; x, y \right) = 0.$$

Using (40), (42) and Lemma 2 to (39), we obtain the desired assertion (37).

The above theorems extend some results obtained for classical Szász–Mirakyan operators, i.e. $S_{m,n}$ defined by (5) with $a_n = b_n = c_n = d_n = n$ for all $n \in N$.

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