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GLOBAL APPROXIMATION THEOREMS FOR THE GENERALIZED MODIFIED SZÁSZ-MIRAKYAN OPERATORS IN POLYNOMIAL WEIGHT SPACES

Abstract. In the present paper we study the modified Szász-Mirakyan operators. This modification generalizes the integral operators proposed by S. M. Mazhar and V. Totik in [3]. Moreover we present boundary value problems related to these integrals.

1. Introduction

S. M. Mazhar and V. Totik in [3] have introduced the integral modification of the Szász-Mirakyan operators to approximate functions defined on $[0, \infty)$ as

$$L_n(f, x) = n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) \int_0^{\infty} p_{n,k}(t) f(t) dt, \quad n \in \mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\},$$

where $p_{n,k}(x) = e^{-nx} \frac{(nx)^k}{\Gamma(k+1)}$. The approximation properties of these operators have been studied by H. S. Kasana [2], A. Sahai and G. Prasad [4]. Now, we shall generalize the above mentioned operators in the following way.

Let $\nu \in (-1, \infty)$. We consider

$$M_n^\nu(f, x) = n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) \int_0^{\infty} p_{n,k+\nu}(t) f(t) dt, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

We observe that $M_n^0(f, x) = L_n(f, x)$ and that the kernel of the operator M_n^ν for $\nu \neq 0$ is not symmetric for x and t .

In the paper [5] E. Wachnicki considered the integral $V_\nu(f, x, t)$ given by

$$V_\nu(f, x, t) = \frac{1}{4t} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{s}{x}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} e^{-\frac{x+s}{4t}} I_\nu\left(\frac{\sqrt{xs}}{2t}\right) f(s) ds$$

for $t \in (0, \infty)$, $x \in (0, \infty)$, where I_ν is the modified Bessel function, i.e.

$$(1) \quad I_\nu(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{\nu+2k}}{k! \Gamma(\nu + k + 1)}.$$

For $t = \frac{1}{4n}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^* = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$, by (1) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} V_\nu(f, x, \frac{1}{4n}) &= n \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{s}{x}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} e^{-(x+s)n} I_\nu(2n\sqrt{xs}) f(s) ds \\ &= n \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{s}{x}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}} e^{-(x+s)n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n\sqrt{xs})^{\nu+2k}}{k! \Gamma(\nu + k + 1)} f(s) ds \\ &= M_n^\nu(f, x). \end{aligned}$$

Using the results of the paper [5], we observe that the function

$$(x, t) \longrightarrow V_\nu(f, x, t)$$

is a solution of the problem

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} = 4x \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} + 4(\nu + 1) \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial x}, \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} u(x_0, t) = f(x_0), \end{cases}$$

where the function f is continuous at $x_0 \in [0, \infty)$. This implies that the operator M_n^ν can be used to the approximation of the solution of the problem (2).

In this paper, we will consider operators M_n^ν in polynomial weighted spaces. Let $p_0(t) = 1$, $p_r(t) = \frac{1}{1+t^r}$ for $r \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $t \in [0, \infty)$.

Let B_r denote the set of measurable functions $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, such that

$$\exists M > 0 \quad \forall t \in [0, \infty) \mid f(t)p_r(t) \mid \leq M.$$

The norm on B_r is defined by $\|f\|_r = \sup_{t \in [0, \infty)} (|f(t)|p_r(t))$. We consider also the space $C_r = B_r \cap C[0, \infty)$.

In section 3 we prove, as main results, that

- 1) $M_n^\nu(f) \in B_r$ for $f \in B_r$ and $\|M_n^\nu(f, x)\|_r \leq L_r^\nu \|f\|_r$,
- 2) $\lim_{(n, x) \rightarrow (\infty, x_0)} M_n^\nu(f, x) = f(x_0)$, for $f \in B_r$ and $x_0 \in [0, \infty)$ is the point of continuity of f .
- 3) $|M_n^\nu(f, x) - f(x)| \leq L_r^\nu \omega_r\left(f, \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}}\right)$ for $f \in C_r$, where L_r^ν is a constant, depending only on r and ν , while $\omega_r(f, \cdot)$ stands for the weighted modulus of continuity of the function f , i.e.

$$\omega_r(f, h) = \sup_{\substack{x, t \in [0, \infty) \\ |t-x| < h}} (p_r(x)|f(t) - f(x)|).$$

We also give the Voronovskaya theorem for the operator M_n^ν . The results of this type for the Szász-Mirakyan operators have been obtained by M. Becker [1] and for modified Szász-Mirakyan operators by S. M. Mazhar and V. Totik [3].

2. Auxiliary results

First, we need certain properties of the sequence $(p_{n,k})$. It is easy to observe that the series

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^s p_{n,k}(x)$$

is convergent for $x \in [0, \infty)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $s \in \mathbb{N}$. Let us denote

$$A_{n,s}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k^s p_{n,k}(x), \quad s \in \mathbb{N}$$

and observe that $A_{n,0}(x) = 1$. Since

$$(3) \quad k p_{n,k}(x) = n x p_{n,k-1}(x), \quad n, k \in \mathbb{N}^*, x \in [0, \infty),$$

by induction argument we get

$$(4) \quad A_{n,s+1}(x) = n x \sum_{i=0}^s \binom{s}{i} A_{n,i}(x)$$

for $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $s \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in [0, \infty)$. Moreover

$$(5) \quad |A_{n,i}(x)| \leq L_i n^i (1 + x^i)$$

and

$$(6) \quad |A_{n,i+1}(x) - (n x)^{i+1}| \leq K_i n^i (1 + x^i),$$

where L_i, K_i are some positive constants depending only on i . Using the properties of the Gamma function we obtain

$$(7) \quad \int_0^{\infty} t^s p_{n,k+\nu}(t) dt = n^{-(s+1)} \frac{\Gamma(k + \nu + s + 1)}{\Gamma(k + \nu + 1)} \quad \text{for } k \in \mathbb{N}, s, n \in \mathbb{N}^*$$

and

$$n \int_0^{\infty} p_{n,k+\nu}(t) dt = 1.$$

Notice that

$$(8) \quad \frac{\Gamma(k + \nu + s + 1)}{\Gamma(k + \nu + 1)} = (k + \nu + 1) \cdot \dots \cdot (k + \nu + s) = \sum_{i=0}^s k^i B_{s,i}^\nu,$$

where $B_{s,i}^\nu$ are coefficients depending only on i, s and ν , $B_{s,s}^\nu = 1$. By easy calculations we get

$$M_n^\nu(1, x) = 1,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (9) \quad M_n^\nu((t-x), x) &= \frac{\nu+1}{n}, \\
 M_n^\nu((t-x)^2, x) &= \frac{2x}{n} + \frac{(1+\nu)(2+\nu)}{n^2}, \\
 M_n^\nu((t-x)^4, x) &= x^2 \frac{C_2}{n^2} + x \frac{C_1}{n^3} + \frac{C_0}{n^4},
 \end{aligned}$$

where C_i for $i \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ are constants depending only on ν .

LEMMA 1. *Let $s, r \in \mathbb{N}$, $r \leq s$. There exists a constant L_s^ν (depending only on s and ν) such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $x \in [0, \infty)$,*

$$(10) \quad p_s(x) |M_n^\nu(p_r^{-1}, x)| \leq L_s^\nu.$$

Proof. Let $r \in \mathbb{N}^*$. It is easy to observe that (7), (8) imply

$$\begin{aligned}
 (11) \quad M_n^\nu(p_r^{-1}, x) &= M_n^\nu(1+t^r, x) = n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) \int_0^{\infty} (1+t^r) p_{n,k+\nu}(t) dt \\
 &= 1 + n^{-r} A_{n,r}(x) + n^{-r} \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} B_{r,i}^\nu A_{n,i}(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand

$$1 + n^{-r} A_{n,r}(x) = 1 + x^r + n^{-r} (A_{n,r}(x) - (nx)^r).$$

Hence, by (6), we have $|1 + n^{-r} A_{n,r}(x)| \leq (1 + x^r) + K_r(1 + x^{r-1})$. By (5) we obtain

$$\left| n^{-r} \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} B_{r,i}^\nu A_{n,i}(x) \right| \leq \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} B_{r,i}^\nu L_i n^{i-r} (1 + x^i).$$

Finally, because

$$\frac{1+x^r}{1+x^s} \leq 2 \quad \text{for } x \in [0, \infty), \quad r \in \{0, 1, \dots, s\},$$

we get (10). The case $r = 0$ is obvious.

LEMMA 2. *Let $\beta > \alpha > \delta > 0$. Then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) \int_0^{x-\delta} t^r p_{n,k+\nu}(t) dt = 0$$

uniformly on $[\alpha, \beta]$.

Proof. By the inequality

$$t^\alpha e^{-t} \leq \alpha^\alpha e^{-\alpha}, \quad t \geq 0, \alpha > 0$$

the series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x)p_{n,k+\nu}(t)$ is uniformly convergent on $[0, \infty)$ with respect to t for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $x > 0$ and $\nu > -1$. Thus

$$n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) \int_0^{x-\delta} t^r p_{n,k+\nu}(t) dt = \int_0^{x-\delta} n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) p_{n,k+\nu}(t) t^r dt.$$

But

$$4^k k! \Gamma(k + \nu + 1) \geq (2k - 1)! \Gamma(\nu + 2)$$

for $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $\nu > -1$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) p_{n,k+\nu}(t) t^r &\leq A n e^{-n(x+t)} (nt)^{\nu} t^r \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n^2 x t)^k}{(2k-1)!} \right) \\ &\leq A n e^{-n(x+t)} (nt)^{\nu} t^r (1 + 2n\sqrt{x t} e^{2n\sqrt{x t}}) \\ &= A n^{\nu+1} e^{-n(x+t)} t^{\nu+r} + 2A n^{\nu+2} \sqrt{x t}^{\nu+r+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-n(\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{t})^2}, \end{aligned}$$

where $A = \max \left\{ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu+1)}, \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu+2)} \right\}$. This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \int_0^{x-\delta} n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) p_{n,k+\nu}(t) t^r dt \\ &\leq L (e^{-n\beta} n^{\nu+1} + n^{\nu+2} e^{-\frac{n\alpha^2}{4\beta}}) \end{aligned}$$

for $x \in [\alpha, \beta]$, where L is a positive constant. Hence the lemma follows.

LEMMA 3. Let $\beta, \delta > 0$. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{x+\delta}^{\infty} n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) p_{n,k+\nu}(t) t^r dt = 0$$

uniformly on $[0, \beta]$.

Proof. Similarly to the proof of Lemma 2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \int_{x+\delta}^{\infty} n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) p_{n,k+\nu}(t) t^r dt \\ &\leq A e^{-nx} n^{\nu+1} \int_{x+\delta}^{\infty} e^{-nt} t^{\nu+r} dt + 2A n^{\nu+2} \sqrt{\beta} \int_{x+\delta}^{\infty} e^{-n(\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{t})^2} t^{\nu+r+\frac{1}{2}} dt \\ &= J_1(x) + J_2(x) \end{aligned}$$

for $x \in [0, \beta]$. Observe that

$$J_1(x) \leq \frac{n^r}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} \int_{n\delta}^{\infty} e^{-z} z^{\nu+r} dz,$$

so we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} J_1(x) = 0 \text{ uniformly on } [0, \beta].$$

Let $\alpha \in (0, 1 - \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{\beta-\delta}}]$. Then $\alpha \leq 1 + \sqrt{\frac{x}{x+\delta}}$ for $t \in (x+\delta, \infty)$ and $x \in [0, \beta]$. Moreover $\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{t} > \alpha\sqrt{t}$ for $t \in (x+\delta, \infty)$ and $x \in [0, \beta]$. Hence

$$J_2(x) \leq 2An^{\nu+2}\sqrt{\beta} \int_{x+\delta}^{\infty} e^{-n\alpha^2 t} t^{\nu+r} dt \leq Kn^{1-r} \int_{n\alpha^2\delta}^{\infty} e^{-z} z^{\nu+r} dz$$

for $x \in [0, \beta]$, where K is a positive constant. This ends the proof of Lemma 3.

3. Main results

THEOREM 1. Let $r \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$. If $f \in B_r$ then

$$\|M_n^\nu(f, \cdot)\|_r \leq L_r^\nu \|f\|_r,$$

for some constant L_r^ν depending only on r and ν .

Proof. Let $f \in B_r$. We have

$$p_r(x)|M_n^\nu(f, x)| = p_r(x)|M_n^\nu(p_r^{-1}p_r f, x)| \leq p_r(x) \|f\|_r |M_n^\nu(p_r^{-1}, x)|$$

and by Lemma 1 the result follows.

COROLLARY 1. Let $r \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$. Then the operator $M_n^\nu : B_r \rightarrow B_r$ is linear, positive, continuous and $\|M_n^\nu\| \leq L_r^\nu$.

THEOREM 2. Let $f \in B_r$ and $x_0 \in [0, \infty)$. If f is continuous at x_0 , then $\lim_{(n,x) \rightarrow (\infty, x_0)} M_n^\nu(f, x) = f(x_0)$.

Proof. Let $x_0 \neq 0$ and $\epsilon > 0$. We take $\delta \in (0, x_0)$ such that $|t - x_0| < \delta$ implies $|f(t) - f(x_0)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} |M_n^\nu(f, x) - f(x_0)| &\leq \int_0^{x_0-\delta} n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) p_{n,k+\nu}(t) |f(t) - f(x_0)| dt \\ &\quad + \int_{x_0-\delta}^{x_0+\delta} n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) p_{n,k+\nu}(t) |f(t) - f(x_0)| dt \\ &\quad + \int_{x_0+\delta}^{\infty} n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{n,k}(x) p_{n,k+\nu}(t) |f(t) - f(x_0)| dt \\ &= J_1 + J_2 + J_3. \end{aligned}$$

By (9) we get $J_2 \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} M_n^\nu(1, x) = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

Using Lemma 2 and Lemma 3 we can choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $J_1 + J_3 \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ for $n > n_0$ and $|x - x_0| < \frac{\delta}{2}$.

In case $x_0 = 0$ we consider only $J_2 = \int_0^\delta$ and $J_3 = \int_\delta^\infty$, where $\delta > 0$ is such that $t \in (0, \delta)$ implies $|f(t) - f(0)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}$.

COROLLARY 2. If $f \in C_r$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n^\nu(f, x) = f(x) \quad \text{for } x \in [0, \infty)$$

and this convergence is uniform on every compact subset of $[0, \infty)$.

THEOREM 3. Let $r \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$. Assume that the function $f \in C_r$ is differentiable on $[0, \infty)$ and $f' \in C_r$. Then for $x \in [0, \infty)$,

$$(12) \quad p_r(x) |M_n^\nu(f, x) - f(x)| \leq \|f'\|_r L_r^\nu \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}},$$

where L_r^ν is a constant depending only on r and ν .

Proof. We have

$$f(t) - f(x) = \int_x^t f'(\tau) d\tau$$

and therefore

$$|f(t) - f(x)| \leq \|f'\|_r |t - x| (p_r^{-1}(t) + p_r^{-1}(x)).$$

Hence, by (9), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} p_r(x) |M_n^\nu(f, x) - f(x)| &\leq \|f'\|_r (M_n^\nu(|t - x|, x) + p_r(x) M_n^\nu(|t - x| p_r^{-1}(t), x)) \\ &= (J_1 + J_2) \|f'\|_r. \end{aligned}$$

Since M_n^ν is a positive operator then

$$(13) \quad M_n^\nu(|fg|, x) \leq \sqrt{M_n^\nu(f^2, x) M_n^\nu(g^2, x)}.$$

Using (13) we get

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &= M_n^\nu(|t - x|, x) \\ &\leq \sqrt{M_n^\nu(1, x) M_n^\nu((t - x)^2, x)} \\ &\leq \sqrt{\frac{2x}{n} + \frac{(\nu + 1)(\nu + 2)}{n^2}} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} J_2 &= p_r(x) M_n^\nu(|t - x| p_r^{-1}(t), x) \\ &\leq \sqrt{M_n^\nu((t - x)^2, x) p_r^2(x) M_n^\nu(p_r^{-2}(t), x)}. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$p_r^2(t) \leq p_{2r}(t) \text{ and } p_r^{-2}(t) \leq p_{2r}^{-1}(t) + 2p_r^{-1}(t).$$

So

$$p_r^2(x)M_n^\nu(p_r^{-2}, x) \leq p_{2r}(x)[M_n^\nu(p_{2r}^{-1}, x) + 2M_n^\nu(p_r^{-1}, x)].$$

Hence, by Lemma 1, we obtain

$$p_r^2(x)M_n^\nu(p_r^{-2}, x) \leq K_r^\nu,$$

where K_r^ν is a positive constant. Thus

$$J_1 + J_2 \leq \sqrt{\frac{2x}{n} + \frac{(\nu+1)(\nu+2)}{n^2}}(1 + \sqrt{K_r^\nu}) = L_r^\nu \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}},$$

where L_r^ν is a positive constant. This completes the proof of (12).

THEOREM 4. Let $r \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$. If $f \in C_r$, then for all $x \in [0, \infty)$,

$$p_r(x)|M_n^\nu(f, x) - f(x)| \leq L_r^\nu \omega_r\left(f, \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}}\right),$$

where L_r^ν denotes a constant depending only on r and ν .

Proof. Let $f \in C_r$. We define the Stieklov function f_h :

$$f_h(x) = h^{-1} \int_0^h f(x+t)dt \quad \text{for } x \in [0, \infty), \quad h \in (0, \infty).$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} p_r(x)|M_n^\nu(f, x) - f(x)| \\ \leq p_r(x)\{|M_n^\nu(f - f_h, x)| + |M_n^\nu(f_h, x) - f_h(x)| + |f_h(x) - f(x)|\} \\ = J_1 + J_2 + J_3. \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 1 we have

$$J_1 \leq L_r^\nu \|f - f_h\|_r \leq L_r^\nu \omega_r(f, h)$$

and

$$J_3 \leq \|f - f_h\|_r \leq \omega_r(f, h).$$

From Theorem 3 we get

$$\begin{aligned} J_2 &\leq \|f'_h\|_r L_r^\nu \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}} \\ &\leq L_r^\nu h^{-1} \omega_r(f, h) \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$p_r(x)|M_n^\nu(f, x) - f(x)| \leq \left(L_r^\nu + 1 + h^{-1}L_r^\nu \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}}\right) \omega_r(f, h).$$

Setting $h = \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}}$ we obtain the assertion of Theorem 4.

THEOREM 5. *Let $r \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $f \in C_r$, $f \in C^1$. We assume that there exists $f''(x)$ at a fixed $x \in [0, \infty)$. Then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n[M_n^\nu(f, x) - f(x)] = (\nu + 1)f'(x) + xf''(x).$$

Proof. For fixed $x \in [0, \infty)$ we define

$$\epsilon(t, x) = \begin{cases} (t-x)^{-2}[f(t) - f(x) + f'(x)(t-x) + \frac{1}{2}f''(x)(t-x)^2] & \text{if } t \neq x, \\ 0 & \text{if } t = x. \end{cases}$$

The function ϵ is continuous on $[0, \infty)$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} \epsilon(t, x) = 0$. Let us notice that

$$\begin{aligned} n[M_n^\nu(f, x) - f(x)] &= nM_n^\nu\left(f'(x)(t-x) + \frac{1}{2}f''(x)(t-x)^2 + \epsilon(t, x)(t-x)^2, x\right) \\ &= (\nu + 1)f'(x) + \left(x + \frac{(1+\nu)(2+\nu)}{2n}\right)f''(x) + nM_n^\nu(\epsilon(t, x)(t-x)^2, x). \end{aligned}$$

By (13) we get

$$nM_n^\nu(\epsilon(t, x)(t-x)^2, x) \leq n\sqrt{M_n^\nu((t-x)^4, x) M_n^\nu(\epsilon^2(t, x), x)}.$$

From (9) we have

$$|n\sqrt{M_n^\nu((t-x)^4, x)}| \leq L_r^\nu(x),$$

where $L_r^\nu(x)$ is independent of n . By Corollary 2 we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{M_n^\nu(\epsilon^2(t, x), x)} = 0,$$

so we get the assertion.

REMARK. If the assumptions of Theorem 5 hold for a function f then the rate of convergence of $M_n^\nu(f, x)$ is $O(\frac{1}{n})$.

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