

**Approximating unbounded functions with linear operators  
generated by moment sequences**

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**1. Introduction.** Recently (see, e.g. [3], [4] and [7]) attention has been given to the problem of uniform approximation on the intervals  $(-\infty, \infty)$  and  $[0, \infty)$  of functions  $f(x)$  having certain growth rate as  $x \rightarrow \pm \infty$  by means of linear operators which are positive on some finite interval. The technique employed to solve this problem is known as *multiplier enlargement*. In this paper we apply multiplier enlargement to the approximation of continuous functions by means of generalized Bernstein polynomials and Bernstein power series which are generated by moment sequences. In particular, we obtain as a corollary an extension of a result for the Bernstein polynomials due to Chlodovsky ([5], p. 36).

**2. Definitions and preliminaries.** The operators we shall consider are defined below.

Let  $\{\mu_n(x)\}$  be a sequence of real-valued functions defined on  $[0, 1]$ . Denote by  $(h_{nk}(x))$  and  $(p_{nk}(x))$  respectively the matrices generated by  $\{\mu_n(x)\}$  as follows:

$$(2.1) \quad h_{nk}(x) = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{k} \Delta^{n-k} \mu_k(x), & 0 \leq k \leq n, \\ 0, & k > n, \end{cases}$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad p_{nk}(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & k < n, \\ \binom{k}{n} \Delta^{k-n} \mu_{n+1}(x), & k \geq n, \end{cases}$$

where, for any non-negative integers  $n$  and  $p$ ,

$$(2.3) \quad \Delta^p \mu_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^p (-1)^j \binom{p}{j} \mu_{n+j}(x).$$

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$\{\mu_n(x)\}$  is called a *generalized moment sequence* if there exists a function  $\beta(x, t)$  of bounded variation in  $t$  for each  $x \in [0, 1]$  such that for all  $x \in [0, 1]$

$$(2.4) \quad \mu_n(x) = \int_0^1 t^n d\beta(x, t), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

The sequence  $\{\mu_n(x)\}$  is called *totally monotone* if  $\Delta^p \mu_n(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$  and all integers  $n, p \geq 0$ .

Let  $\{\mu_n(x)\}$  be a generalized moment sequence. For all functions  $f$  defined on the interval  $[0, 1]$  associate the linear operator

$$(2.5) \quad H_n(f; x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) h_{nk}(x)$$

with the matrix (2.1) and associate the linear operator

$$(2.6) \quad P_n(f; x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{k-n}{k}\right) p_{nk}(x)$$

with the matrix (2.2).

If  $\mu_n(x) \equiv x^n$  ( $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ), then  $H_n$  becomes the  $n$ -th Bernstein polynomial. When  $\mu_n(x) \equiv (1-x)^n$  for all  $n$ ,  $P_n$  becomes a modified Bernstein power series [1].

We shall have need of the following extension of Theorem 1 of [4] (see also [7], Theorem 1):

**THEOREM 2.1.** Let  $f(x)$  be defined and continuous on  $[0, \infty)$  and let  $L_n(f(t); x)$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ) be a sequence of linear operators which are positive on  $[0, 1]$ . Let the "bounding function"  $\Omega(|x|)$  satisfy

$$\Omega(|x|) \geq 1, \quad \Omega(|x|) \uparrow \infty \quad (|x| \uparrow \infty),$$

and suppose  $f(x) = O(\Omega(|x|))$  ( $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ ). Let  $\alpha_n$  be increasing to  $+\infty$  with  $n$  and let  $\{L_n(1; \alpha_n^{-1}x)\}$  be almost convergent to 1 uniformly on every finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$ , and  $\{L_n((\alpha_n t - x)^2 \Omega((\alpha_n t)); \alpha_n^{-1}x)\}$  be almost convergent to 0 uniformly on every finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$ .

Then  $\{L_n(f(\alpha_n t); \alpha_n^{-1}x)\}$  is almost convergent to  $f(x)$  uniformly on every finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$ .

**3. The generalized Bernstein polynomial  $H_n$ .** In the sequel let  $e_k(x) = x^k$  ( $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ).

**THEOREM 3.1.** Let  $\{\mu_n(x)\}$  be a totally monotone generalized moment sequence. Let  $\alpha_n$  be increasing to  $+\infty$  with  $n$  and let  $\alpha_n = o(n)$ . Let  $f(x)$  be defined and continuous on  $[0, \infty)$  and suppose  $f(x) = O(e^{ax})$  ( $x > 0$ ) for some  $a > 0$ . Assume that, uniformly in  $j$  ( $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ),  $\{\alpha_n^j \mu_j(x | \alpha_n)\}$  is convergent (almost convergent) to  $x^j$ , uniformly on any finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$ .

Then  $\{H_n(f(\alpha_n t); \alpha_n^{-1}x)\}$  is convergent (almost convergent) to  $f(x)$ , uniformly on any finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$ .

**Proof.** Since  $\{\mu_n(x)\}$  is totally monotone,  $H_n$  is positive on  $[0, 1]$ . Thus  $H_n(f(\alpha_n t); \alpha_n^{-1}x)$  is positive on  $[a, b] \subset [0, \infty)$  for  $n$  large. Let  $0 < x < \infty$  and  $g(\zeta) = (\zeta - x)^2 e^{a\zeta}$ . To prove the theorem it suffices, by Theorem 1 of [4] and Theorem 2.1, to show that  $\{H_n(g(\alpha_n \zeta); \alpha_n^{-1}x)\}$  is convergent (almost convergent) to 0. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & H_n(g(\alpha_n \zeta); \alpha_n^{-1}x) \\ &= H_n(e^{a\alpha_n \zeta} e_2(\alpha_n \zeta); \alpha_n^{-1}x) - 2x H_n(e^{a\alpha_n \zeta} e_1(\alpha_n \zeta); \alpha_n^{-1}x) + x^2 H_n(e^{a\alpha_n \zeta}; \alpha_n^{-1}x) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{2n} e^{a\alpha_n k/n} \binom{2n}{k} \int_0^1 (1-t)^{n-k} t^k d\beta(\alpha_n^{-1}x, t) \left\{ \left(\frac{\alpha_n k}{n}\right)^2 - 2x \left(\frac{\alpha_n k}{n}\right) + x^2 \right\} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^j}{j!} \int_0^1 \sum_{k=0}^n \left\{ \left(\frac{\alpha_n k}{n}\right)^{j+2} - 2x \left(\frac{\alpha_n k}{n}\right)^{j+1} + x^2 \left(\frac{\alpha_n k}{n}\right)^j \right\} \binom{n}{k} (1-t)^{n-k} t^k d\beta(\alpha_n^{-1}x, t) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^j}{j!} \int_0^1 \{B_n(e_{j+2}(\alpha_n \zeta); t) - 2x B_n(e_{j+1}(\alpha_n \zeta); t) + x^2 B_n(e_j(\alpha_n \zeta); t)\} d\beta(\alpha_n^{-1}x, t), \end{aligned}$$

where  $B_n$  is the  $n$ -th order Bernstein polynomial. It follows from the proof of Theorem 3 of [7] that

$$B_n(e_r(\alpha_n \zeta); t) = (\alpha_n t)^r \underbrace{\frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-r+1)}{n^r} + \dots + (\alpha_n t)^{r-1}}_{r \text{ terms}}$$

for  $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & H_n(g(\alpha_n \zeta); \alpha_n^{-1}x) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^j}{j!} \left\{ \left( \frac{\alpha_n^{j+2} n \dots (n-j-1)}{n^{j+2}} \int_0^1 t^{j+2} d\beta(\alpha_n^{-1}x, t) + \dots \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + \alpha_n \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{n}\right)^{j+1} \int_0^1 t d\beta(\alpha_n^{-1}x, t) \right) - \right. \\ & \quad \left. - 2x \left( \alpha_n^{j+1} \frac{n \dots (n-j)}{n^{j+1}} \int_0^1 t^{j+1} d\beta(\alpha_n^{-1}x, t) + \dots + \alpha_n \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{n}\right)^j \int_0^1 t d\beta(\alpha_n^{-1}x, t) \right) + \right. \\ & \quad \left. + x^2 \left( \alpha_n^j \frac{n \dots (n-j+1)}{n^j} \int_0^1 t^j d\beta(\alpha_n^{-1}x, t) + \dots + \alpha_n \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{n}\right)^{j-1} \int_0^1 t d\beta(\alpha_n^{-1}x, t) \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

By hypothesis

$$\{\alpha_n^j \int_0^1 t^j d\beta(a_n^{-1}x, t)\} = \{\alpha_n^j \mu_j(x/a_n)\}$$

is convergent (almost convergent) to  $x^j$  uniformly in  $j$  ( $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ). The theorem follows immediately from the above.

**COROLLARY 3.2.** Let  $f(x)$  be defined and continuous on  $[0, \infty)$ . Let  $a_n$  be increasing to  $+\infty$  with  $n$  and let  $a_n = o(n)$ . Let  $B_n(f(t); x)$  denote the  $n$ -th Bernstein polynomial. If

$$(3.1) \quad \max\{|f(x)|: 0 \leq x \leq a_n\} = o(e^{na/a_n})$$

for each  $a > 0$ , then  $\{B_n(f(a_n t); a_n^{-1}x)\}$  converges to  $f(x)$  uniformly on any finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$ . If

$$(3.2) \quad f(x) = O(e^{\alpha x}) \quad (x > 0)$$

for some  $\alpha > 0$ , then  $\{B_n(f(a_n t); a_n^{-1}x)\}$  converges to  $f(x)$  uniformly on any finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$ .

**Remarks.** Result (3.1) is due to Choldovsky [5], p. 36. Result (3.2) follows from Theorem 3.1 by choosing  $\mu_j(x) = x^j$  ( $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ). The example  $a_n = n^{1/3}$  and  $f(x) = e^{x^{3/2}}$  shows that (3.1) does not imply (3.2) and the example  $a_n = n^{2/3}$  and  $f(x) = e^x$  shows that (3.2) does not imply (3.1).

It is interesting to note the following characterization of the Bernstein polynomials, the proof of which was conveyed to the authors by Professor Dany Leviatan.

**THEOREM 3.3.** Let  $\{\mu_j(x)\}$  be a generalized moment sequence and  $\{H_n\}$  the sequence of operators defined in (2.5). Then a necessary and sufficient condition that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_n(f; x) = f(x) \text{ uniformly on } [0, 1],$$

for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , is  $\mu_j(x) \equiv x^j$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots$

**Proof.** If  $\mu_j(x) \equiv x^j$  ( $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ), then  $H_n$  is the  $n$ -th Bernstein polynomial. Hence the sufficiency follows from [5], p. 5.

On the other hand, if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_n(f; x) = f(x)$  for all  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , then

$$(3.3) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_n(e_k; x) = x^k.$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_n(e_k; x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{m}{n}^k \binom{n}{m} \int_0^1 (1-t)^{n-m} t^m d\beta(x, t) \\ &= \int_0^1 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{m}{n}^k \binom{n}{m} (1-t)^{n-m} t^m d\beta(x, t) = \int_0^1 t^k d\beta(x, t). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$(3.4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_n(e_k; x) = \mu_k(x)$$

and the necessity follows from (3.3) and (3.4).

**4. The generalized Bernstein power series  $P_n$ .** The main results of this section (Theorem 4.2 and Theorem 4.4) depend on the following lemma:

**LEMMA 4.1.** Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  be a sequence of non-zero real numbers and  $\{P_n\}$  the sequence of linear operators defined in (2.6). Then

$$P_n(1; a_n^{-1}x) = \mu_0(a_n^{-1}x),$$

$$P_n(a_n t; a_n^{-1}x) = a_n [\mu_0(a_n^{-1}x) - \mu_1(a_n^{-1}x)],$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_n^2 [\mu_0(a_n^{-1}x) - 2\mu_1(a_n^{-1}x) + \mu_2(a_n^{-1}x)] &\leq P_n((a_n t)^2; a_n^{-1}x) \\ &\leq \alpha_n^2 [\mu_0(a_n^{-1}x) - 2\mu_1(a_n^{-1}x) + \mu_2(a_n^{-1}x)] + \frac{\alpha_n^2}{n} [\mu_0(a_n^{-1}x) - \mu_1(a_n^{-1}x)]. \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** The result follows from a slight modification of the proof of [2], Theorem 3.1.

**THEOREM 4.2.** Let  $a_n$  be positive and increasing to  $+\infty$  with  $n$ , and  $a_n = o(n)$ . Let  $f(x)$  be defined, bounded and continuous on  $[0, \infty)$ . Assume that  $\{\mu_0(a_n^{-1}x)\}$  is convergent (almost convergent) to 1,  $\{a_n[\mu_0(a_n^{-1}x) - \mu_1(a_n^{-1}x)]\}$  is convergent (almost convergent) to  $x$ , and  $\{\alpha_n^2[\mu_0(a_n^{-1}x) - 2\mu_1(a_n^{-1}x) + \mu_2(a_n^{-1}x)]\}$  is convergent (almost convergent) to  $x^2$ , uniformly on any finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$ . Then  $\{P_n(f(a_n t); a_n^{-1}x)\}$  is convergent (almost convergent) to  $f(x)$  uniformly on any finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$ .

**Proof.** The conclusion follows from Lemma 4.1 and [3], Theorem 1, with  $m = 1$  for convergence, and from Lemma 4.1 and [7], Theorem 1, for almost convergence.

**COROLLARY 4.3.** Let  $a_n$  be increasing to  $+\infty$  with  $n$  and  $a_n = o(n)$ . If  $\mu_n(x) = (1-x)^n$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , then  $\{P_n(f(a_n t); a_n^{-1}x)\}$  converges to  $f(x)$  uniformly on any finite interval of  $[0, \infty)$  for all functions  $f(x)$  which are defined, bounded, and continuous on  $[0, \infty)$ .

Thus we have a convergence theorem for the linear operator

$$(4.1) \quad P_n(f; x) = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{k-n}{k}\right) \binom{k}{n} x^{k-n} (1-x)^{n+1}$$

which differs slightly from the Bernstein power series

$$(4.2) \quad M_n(f; x) = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{k-n}{k}\right) \binom{k-1}{n-1} x^{k-n} (1-x)^n.$$

However, by comparing Theorem 4.4 below and [6], Theorem 1, it is easy to see that (4.1) and (4.2) have the same approximation properties and are essentially the same. Hence Theorem 4.4 may be considered as a characterization of the Bernstein power series.

**THEOREM 4.4.** *Let  $0 < a < 1$ . Then a necessary and sufficient condition that  $\{P_n(f; x)\}$  converge to  $f(x)$  uniformly on  $[0, a]$ , for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , is  $\mu_j(x) = (1-x)^j$  for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$*

**Proof.** By applying the Korovkin theorem and Lemma 4.1 with  $a_n = 1$  for all  $n$ , we see that the condition is sufficient. The proof of necessity is similar to the proof given in Theorem 3.3.

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#### Пример гладкого пространства,

сопряженное к которому не является строго нормированным

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Пространство Банаха  $X$  называется *строго нормированным*, если из условия

$$\|x\| = \|y\| = 1, \quad \|x + y\| = 2 \quad (x, y \in X)$$

следует, что  $x$  и  $y$  совпадают.

Пространство Банаха  $X$  называется *гладким*, если его норма дифференцируема по Гато, т.е. если для любых  $x, y \in X$  ( $\|x\| > 0$ ) выполнено следующее условие:

$$\lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\tau} (\|x + \tau y\| + \|x - \tau y\| - 2\|x\|) = 0.$$

Алаоглу и Биркхоф [1] показали, что

(а) пространство  $X$  строго нормированно, если его сопряженное  $X^*$  гладко,

(б) пространство  $X$  гладко, если  $X^*$  строго нормированно.

Известны примеры (см. напр. Дэй [2], стр. 191) строго нормированного пространства, сопряженное к которому не является гладким.

Цель настоящей заметки построить пример гладкого пространства, сопряженное к которому не является строго нормированным.

Через  $l$  обозначим банахово пространство, состоящее из действительных числовых последовательностей  $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ , ряд из которых абсолютно сходится:

$$\|\{a_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}\| = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |a_i| \quad (\{a_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \in l).$$

Общий вид линейного функционала в  $l$  записывается в виде:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i \xi_i \quad (\{a_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \in l),$$

где  $\{\xi_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  есть ограниченная последовательность действительных чисел. Сопряженным пространством к  $l$  является пространство  $m$ ,