

ON K – MONOTONE APPROXIMATION IN L_p

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ABSTRACT

In 1995 Kopotun [4], introduced a paper on k -monotone polynomial and spline approximation in L_p , $0 < p < \infty$ quasi norm. In this paper, we discuss the errors of approximation of k -monotone function by k -monotone interpolation. It turns out that any two k -monotone functions f and g , whose graphs intersect each other at certain (sufficiently many) points in $[a, b]$, have to be "close" to each other in the sense that $\|f - g\|_p$, has to be small.

1. Notations and Definitions.

Let $L_p[a, b]$, $0 < p < \infty$, be the set of all measurable functions on $[a, b]$ such that $\|f\|_{L_p[a, b]} < \infty$, where

$$\|f\|_{L_p[a, b]} := \left(\int_a^b |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Let us recall some definitions of moduli of smoothness used throughout this paper. The k th symmetric difference of f is given by :

$$\Delta_h^k(f, x, [a, b]) := \begin{cases} \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} (-1)^{k-i} f\left(x - \frac{kh}{2} + ih\right) & x \pm \frac{kh}{2} \in [a, b], 0 < h < 1. \\ 0 & o.w. \end{cases}$$

The k th usual modulus of smoothness of $f \in L_p[a, b]$ is defined by :

$$\omega_k(f, \delta, [a, b])_p := \sup_{0 \leq h \leq \delta} \|\Delta_h^k(f, \cdot, [a, b])\|_{L_p[a, b]}.$$

It will be omitted for the sake of simplicity,

$$\omega_k(f, [a, b])_p = \omega_k(f, \delta, [a, b])_p$$

For $f \in L_p[a, b]$, let

$$E_n(f)_p = \inf_{p_n \in \Pi_n} \|f - p_n\|_p,$$

denote the *degree of unconstrained approximation*, where Π_n , the set of all polynomials of degree $\leq n$, and n is natural, i.e., $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2. Local Estimates.

The main aim of this section is to introduce a direct theorem for k -monotone function by k -monotone interpolating function.

Firstly, let us introduce the Lagrange polynomial $L_{k-1}(f, \cdot | t_1, \dots, t_k)$ of degree $\leq k-1$, interpolating f , at the points t_j , $1 \leq j \leq k$, as :

$$L_{k-1}(f, x | t_1, \dots, t_k) = f(x) \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^{k-1} \frac{x - t_i}{t_j - t_i} .$$

Recall that , if q is a polynomial of degree $\leq m$, then $L_{k-1}(q) = q$ [6] .

If the interval $I = [\alpha, \beta]$ is denote $\Psi_\mu(I) = [\alpha - \mu(\beta - \alpha), \beta + \mu(\beta - \alpha)]$, i.e., $\Psi_\mu(I)$ is the interval of length $(1 + 2\mu)|I|$, such that I is in its center .

To prove theorem 2.2, we need this Lemma from [5] .

Lemma 2.1

Let f in $\Delta^k[a, b] \cap L_p[a, b]$, $k \geq 1$. If an interval $I \subset [a, b]$ is such that $dist(I, \{a, b\}) > 0$, then , for any set $\{t_1, \dots, t_k\}$, of k points in I , and any $\mu > 0$, such that $\Psi_\mu(I) \subset [a, b]$, we have

$$\|f - p_{k-1}(f, \cdot | t_1, \dots, t_k)\|_{L_p(\Psi_\mu(I))} \leq C(k, \mu) \omega_k(f, \Psi_\mu(I))_p ,$$

where the constant C , which depends only on k and μ can be chosen to be a nonincreasing function of μ , $C(k, \mu_1) \leq C(k, \mu_2)$, for $\mu_1 \geq \mu_2$.

Now , let us introduce our first theorem in this paper .

Theorem 2.2

Let f in $\Delta^k[a, b] \cap L_p[a, b]$. Suppose that an interval $I \subset [a, b]$ is such that $b - a \leq A \cdot dist(I, \{a, b\})$, for some $A \in \mathbb{R}$. Also , let $\{t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}\}$ be a set of any (not necessarily distinct), $k - 1$ points in I , and let q_{k-1} be a polynomial of degree $\leq k - 1$, which interpolates f at $\{t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}\}$. Then the following inequality is valid ,

$$\|f - l_{k-1}(f)\|_p \leq C \|f - q_{k-1}\|_p ,$$

where $l_{k-1}(f)$ is $L_{k-1}(f, \cdot | a, t_1, \dots, t_{k-1})$ or $L_{k-1}(f, \cdot | t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}, b)$, and the constant C , depends only on k and A .

Proof. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - l_{k-1}(f)\|_p &= \|f - q_{k-1} + q_{k-1} - l_{k-1}(f)\|_p \\ &= \|f - q_{k-1} + l_{k-1}(q_{k-1}) - l_{k-1}(f)\|_p \\ &= \|f - q_{k-1} - l_{k-1}(f - q_{k-1})\|_p \\ &\leq \|f - q_{k-1}\|_p + \|l_{k-1}(f - q_{k-1})\|_p , \end{aligned}$$

we recall that

$$l_{k-1}(f - q_{k-1}, x) = (f(x) - q_{k-1}(x)) \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^{k-1} \frac{x - t_i}{t_j - t_i} ,$$

and hence

$$\|l_{k-1}(f - q_{k-1})\|_p = \left(\int_I \left| (f(x) - q_{k-1}(x)) \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^{k-1} \frac{x - t_i}{t_j - t_i} \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq c(A) \frac{(b-a/2k)^{k-1}}{(b-a)^{k-2}(t_j-t_i)} \left(\int_I |(f(x)-q_{k-1}(x))^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\ &= c(A) \frac{b-a}{(t_j-t_i)(2k)^{k-1}} \left(\int_I |(f(x)-q_{k-1}(x))^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq c(A, k) \|f - q_{k-1}\|_p, \end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - l_{k-1}(f)\|_p &\leq \|f - q_{k-1}\|_p + \|l_{k-1}(f - q_{k-1})\|_p \\ &\leq C(A, k) \|f - q_{k-1}\|_p . \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 2.3

If we assume q_{k-1} is a best approximation of f . Then $\|f - l_{k-1}(f)\|_p \leq CE_{k-1}(f)_p$.

In this result we obtain a relationship between Lagrange polynomial and any interpolating polynomial .

Theorem 2.4

Let $k \geq 2$. Let p_{k-1} be a polynomial of degree $\leq k-1$, interpolating f at the points $a \leq t_1 \leq \dots \leq t_{k-1} < b$. Then there is a function f in $\Delta^k[a, b] \cap L_p[a, b]$, satisfying

$$\frac{\|p_{k-1}\|_p}{\|f\|_p} \geq c \left(1 - c(p, k) \frac{1}{b-a} \right)$$

where c is a constant of $c(p, k)$ is a constant depends only on p and k .

Proof. Let $t_0 = a$ and $t_k = b$, and define $I_i = [t_i, t_{i+1}]$, for $0 \leq i \leq k-1$. Now , let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} (b-t_{k-1})^{1-k} (x-t_{k-1})_+^{k-1}; & x \in [t_i, t_{i+1}], \\ 0 & ; \\ & x \notin [t_i, t_{i+1}], \end{cases}$$

where $(x-t_{k-1})_+^{k-1} = \max\{(x-t_{k-1})^{k-1}, 0\}$. And note that f in $\Delta^k[a, b] \cap L_p[a, b]$, and

$$\|f\|_p^p = (b-t_{k-1})^{(1-k)p} \frac{(x-t_{k-1})^{(k-1)p+1}}{(k-1)p+1} \Big|_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} = C$$

$$\|f\|_p = \left(\int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} |(b-t_{k-1})^{1-k} (x-t_{k-1})_+^{k-1}|^p dx \right)^{1/p}, \text{ so}$$

Then since $\|f - L_{k-1}(f)\|_\infty \leq c(k) \omega_k(f, I)_\infty$ [2], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_\infty - \|L_{k-1}(f)\|_\infty &\leq \|f - L_{k-1}(f)\|_\infty \\ &\leq c(k)\omega_k(f, I)_\infty \leq c(k)|I|^k \|f^{(k)}\|_\infty . \end{aligned}$$

Then using the inequality

$$\|q^{(k)}\|_\infty \leq c(p, r, k)|I|^{-k-1} \|q\|_p \quad [3],$$

where q_r is a polynomial of degree $= r$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_\infty - \|L_{k-1}(f)\|_\infty &\leq c(p, k)|I|^k |I|^{-k-1} \|f\|_p \\ &\leq c(p, k)|I|^{-1} \|f\|_p . \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|L_{k-1}(f)\|_\infty &\geq \|f\|_\infty - c(p, k)|I|^{-1} \|f\|_p \\ &= \left(1 - c(p, k)|I|^{-1}\right) \|f\|_p . \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

Since $L_{k-1}(f)$ is a Lagrange polynomial of degree $\leq k-1$, and p_{k-1} is also a polynomial of degree $\leq k-1$, defined on the interval $[a, b]$. So that there exists c_1 and c_2 , such that

$$c_2 \|L_{k-1}(f)\|_p \leq \|p_{k-1}\|_p \leq c_1 \|L_{k-1}(f)\|_p .$$

This , implies

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\|p_{k-1}\|_p}{\|f\|_p} &\geq c_2 \frac{\|L_{k-1}(f)\|_p}{\|f\|_p} \geq c_2 \left(1 - c(p, k)|I|^{-1}\right) \\ &\geq c_2 \left(1 - c(p, k) \frac{1}{b-a}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where c is a positive constant and $c(p, k)$ is a constant depending on p and k .

Example 2.5

Let $f(x) = (1 - \xi)^{1-k} (x - \xi)_+^{k-1}$ in $\Delta^k [0,1] \subset L_p [0,1]$, such that ξ is the midpoint of $[0,1]$, and T_n is a Chebyshev polynomials of the first kind , we have

$$\|f(x)\|_p < \|f(x)\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} \left| \left(2 \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)\right)^{k-1} \right| = 1. \quad (2.2)$$

Since $k|\tilde{I}| \geq \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} |I_i| = 1$, where \tilde{I} is the largest interval of the subintervals I_i , $0 \leq i \leq k-1$,

satisfying $\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} |I_i| = 1$,

$$|\xi - t_i| \geq \frac{|\tilde{I}|}{2} \geq \frac{1-0}{2k} .$$

And using theorem 2.4

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_n(x)\|_p &\geq \|L_{k-1}(f, x | t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}, 1)\|_\infty \\ &\geq \|L_{k-1}(f, x | t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}, 1)\| \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left| \left(2 \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right)^{k-1} \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{x - t_i}{1 - t_i} \right|$$

$$\geq \frac{\left(2 \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right)^{k-1} \left(\frac{1}{2k} \right)^{k-1}}{(1-0)^{k-2} (1-t_{k-1})}$$

Then

$$\frac{\|T_n\|_p}{\|f\|_p} \geq \frac{\|T_n\|_p}{\|f\|_\infty} \geq c(p, k) \frac{\left(2 \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right)^{k-1} \left(\frac{1}{2k} \right)^{k-1}}{(1-t_{k-1})}$$

$$= c(p, k) \frac{1}{1-t_{k-1}}$$

Then , let us introduce the following auxiliary Lemma .

Lemma 2.6 [3]

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $f \in \Delta^k(a, b)$, and let $l_k(f, x | x_1, \dots, x_k)$ be Lagrange polynomial of degree $\leq k - 1$, interpolating f at the points $x_i, 1 \leq i$

$\leq k$, where $a = x_0 < x_1 \leq \dots \leq x_k < x_{k+1} = b$. Then ,

$$(-1)^{k-i} (f(x) - l_k(f, x | x_1, \dots, x_k)) \geq 0, x \in (x_i, x_{i+1}), 0 \leq i \leq k .$$

Let $\}i$, denote the number of points t_i , such that $t_i = t_j$ with $i \leq j$.

Now , let us introduce our second theorem .

Theorem 2.7

Let $k \geq 2$, and an interval $I \subset [a, b]$ be such that $b - a \leq A \cdot \text{dist}(I, \{a, b\})$, for some $A \in \mathbb{R}$, and $\{t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}\}$ be a set of any $k - 1$, points in I . If f, g in $\Delta^k[a, b] \cap L_p[a, b]$ are such that $f^{(\}j-1)}(t_j) = g^{(\}j-1)}(t_j)$, for all $0 \leq j \leq k$, (where $t_0 = a, t_k = b$, and $\}j = \}j \left(\{t_i\}_{i=0}^k \right)$), then

$$\|f - g\|_p \leq C \min \{ \omega_k(f, [a, b])_p, \omega_k(g, [a, b])_p \},$$

where the constant C , depends only on k and A .

Proof. Without loss of generality , assume that

$$\omega_k(f, [a, b])_p \leq \omega_k(g, [a, b])_p .$$

It was shown (see also Lemma 2.6) that , if f is k -monotone , then $f - L_{k-1}(f, \cdot | x_1, \dots, x_k)$, changes sign at x_1, \dots, x_k .

More precisely , let $k \in \mathbb{N}$, f in $\Delta^k[a, b] \cap L_p[a, b]$, and recall that $L_{k-1}(f, \cdot | x_1, \dots, x_k)$ is the Lagrange polynomial of degree $\leq k - 1$, interpolating f (or f , together with its derivatives) at the points $x_i, 1 \leq i \leq k$, where $a = x_0 \leq x_1 \leq \dots \leq x_k \leq x_{k+1} = b$. Then , for $0 \leq i \leq k$,

$$(-1)^{k-i} (f(x) - L_{k-1}(f, x | x_1, \dots, x_k)) \geq 0, x \in (x_i, x_{i+1}) \tag{2.3}$$

Now , let $q_{k-1}(x) = L_{k-1}(f, x | t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}) = L_{k-1}(g, x | t_1, \dots, t_{k-1})$, and $\tilde{q}_{k-1}(x) = L_{k-1}(f, x | t_1, \dots, t_k) = L_{k-1}(g, x | t_1, \dots, t_k)$.

Inequalities (2.3), imply that for every $0 \leq i \leq k-1$, and $x \in [t_i, t_{i+1}]$, the following inequalities are valid

$$\begin{aligned} (-1)^{k-1-i} (f(x) - q_{k-1}(x)) &\geq 0, \quad (-1)^{k-1-i} (g(x) - q_{k-1}(x)) \geq 0, \\ (-1)^{k-i} (f(x) - \tilde{q}_{k-1}(x)) &\geq 0, \quad (-1)^{k-i} (g(x) - \tilde{q}_{k-1}(x)) \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

and therefore every $x \in [a, b]$, the values $f(x)$ and $g(x)$, lie between $q_{k-1}(x)$ and $\tilde{q}_{k-1}(x)$. This implies that

$$\|f - g\|_p \leq \|q_{k-1} - \tilde{q}_{k-1}\|_p \leq \|f - q_{k-1}\|_p + \|f - \tilde{q}_{k-1}\|_p,$$

by theorem 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - g\|_p &\leq C \|f - \dot{q}_{k-1}\|_p + C \|f - \ddot{q}_{k-1}\|_p \\ &\leq C \omega_k(f, [a, b])_p, \end{aligned}$$

where \dot{q}_{k-1} , \ddot{q}_{k-1} are a polynomial of degree $\leq k-1$, which interpolates f at $\{t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}\}$, and C , depends only on k and A .

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الخلاصة

في هذا البحث ، نبحث اخطاء التعريب لدوال رتبة K- باندرج رتب K - وظهر لنا ان أي دالتين رتيبيتين K- و F و g يتقاطع بينهما في عدد كافي من النقاط في [a,b] تكونان متقاربتين غير ان $\|f - g\|_p$ يكون صغير جداً.