

## Modified Szász-Mirakjan-Kantorovich Operators Preserving Linear Functions

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### Abstract

In this paper, we introduce a modification of the Szász-Mirakjan-Kantorovich operators, which preserve the linear functions. This type of operator modification enables better error estimation on the interval  $[1/2, +\infty)$  than the classical Szász-Mirakjan-Kantorovich operators. We also obtain a Voronovskaya-type theorem for these operators.

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### 1. Introduction

Previous studies demonstrate that providing a better error estimation for positive linear operators plays an important role in approximation theory, which allows us to approximate much faster to the function being approximated. In [1, 6, 11], various approximation properties of the classical Szász-Mirakjan operators and Szász-Mirakjan-Kantorovich operators were investigated. Recently, in [3], by modifying the Szász-Mirakjan operators, we have showed that our modified operators have better error estimation than the classical ones. We should recall that such investigations were accomplished for Bernstein polynomials by King [7], for Meyer-König and Zeller operators by Özarslan and Duman [9] and for Szász-Mirakjan-Beta operators by Duman, Özarslan and Aktuğlu [4]. In this paper, we apply our method to the classical Szász-Mirakjan-Kantorovich operators.

Consider the Banach lattice

$$C_\gamma[0, +\infty) := \{f \in C[0, +\infty) : |f(t)| \leq M(1+t)^\gamma \text{ for some } M > 0, \gamma > 0\}.$$

Then, the classical Szász-Mirakjan operators are defined by

$$S_n(f; x) := e^{-nx} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right),$$

where  $f \in C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$ ,  $x \geq 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Various approximation properties of the Szász-Mirakjan operators and their iterates may be found in [1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12] and the references cited therein.

The Kantorovich version of the Szász-Mirakjan operators are defined by

$$K_n(f; x) := ne^{-nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!} \int_{I_{n,k}} f(t) dt, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $I_{n,k} = \left[ \frac{k}{n}, \frac{k+1}{n} \right]$  and  $f \in C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$ .

Now, for the Szász-Mirakjan-Kantorovich operators  $K_n$  given by (1.1), the following lemma follows from [6] immediately.

**Lemma A** [6]. *Let  $e_i(x) = x^i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ . Then, for each  $x \geq 0$ , and  $n > 1$ , we have*

- (a)  $K_n(e_0; x) = 1$ ,
- (b)  $K_n(e_1; x) = x + \frac{1}{2n}$ ,
- (c)  $K_n(e_2; x) = x^2 + \frac{2x}{n} + \frac{1}{3n^2}$ ,
- (d)  $K_n(e_3; x) = x^3 + \frac{9x^2}{2n} + \frac{7x}{2n^2} + \frac{1}{4n^3}$ ,
- (e)  $K_n(e_4; x) = x^4 + \frac{8x^3}{n} + \frac{15x^2}{n^2} + \frac{6x}{n^3} + \frac{1}{5n^4}$ .

## 2. Construction of the Operators

The set  $\{e_0, e_1, e_2\}$  is a  $K_+$ -subset of  $C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$  for  $\gamma \geq 2$ ; also the space  $C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$  is isomorphic to  $C[0, 1]$ . Recall that a subset  $H$  of  $C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$  is called a Korovkin subset with respect to positive linear operators or, briefly, a  $K_+$ -subset of  $C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$  if it satisfies the following property:

*if  $\{L_n\}$  is an arbitrary sequence of positive linear operators from  $C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$  into itself such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n(h) = h$  for all  $h \in H$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n(f) = f$  for every  $f \in C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$*

(see [2] for details).

Let  $\{r_n(x)\}$  be a sequence of real-valued continuous functions defined on  $[0, +\infty)$  with  $0 \leq r_n(x) < +\infty$ . Then we have

$$K_n(f; r_n(x)) := ne^{-nr_n(x)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nr_n(x))^k}{k!} \int_{I_{n,k}} f(t) dt.$$

Now, if we replace  $r_n(x)$  by  $r_n^*(x)$  defined as

$$r_n^*(x) := x - \frac{1}{2n}, \quad x \geq \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (2.2)$$

then we get the following positive linear operators:

$$K_n^*(f; x) := ne^{\frac{1-2nx}{2}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2nx-1)^k}{2^k k!} \int_{I_{n,k}} f(t) dt, \quad (2.3)$$

where  $f \in C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$ ,  $\gamma > 0$  and  $x \geq 1/2$ . Observe that if  $x \in [1/2, +\infty)$ , then  $r_n^*(x)$  given by (2.2) belongs to the interval  $[0, +\infty)$ .

On the other hand, from Lemma A we obtain the following result at once.

**Lemma 2.1** *For each  $x \geq 1/2$ , we have*

- (a)  $K_n^*(e_0; x) = 1,$
- (b)  $K_n^*(e_1; x) = x,$
- (c)  $K_n^*(e_2; x) = x^2 + \frac{x}{n} - \frac{5}{12n^2},$
- (d)  $K_n^*(e_3; x) = x^3 + \frac{3x^2}{n} - \frac{x}{4n^2} - \frac{1}{2n^3},$
- (e)  $K_n^*(e_4; x) = x^4 + \frac{6x^3}{n} + \frac{9x^2}{2n^2} - \frac{7x}{2n^3} - \frac{1}{80n^4}.$

By Lemma 2.1, it is clear that the positive linear operators  $K_n^*$  given by (2.3) preserve the linear functions, that is, for  $h(t) = ct + b$  ( $c$  and  $d$  are any real numbers),  $K_n^*(h; x) = h(x)$  for all  $x \geq 1/2$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Now, fix  $b > 1/2$  and consider the lattice homomorphism  $T_b : C[0, +\infty) \rightarrow C[0, b]$  defined by  $T_b(f) := f|_{[0,b]}$  for every  $f \in C[0, +\infty)$ , where  $f|_{[0,b]}$  denotes the restriction of the domain of  $f$  to the interval  $[0, b]$ . In this case, we see that, for each  $i = 0, 1, 2,$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_b(K_n^*(e_i)) = T_b(e_i) \quad \text{uniformly on } [1/2, b]. \quad (2.4)$$

Thus, by using (2.4) and with the universal Korovkin-type property with respect to monotone operators (see Theorem 4.1.4 (vi) of [2, p. 199]) we have the following Korovkin-type approximation result.

**Theorem 2.2**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_n^*(f; x) = f(x)$  uniformly with respect to  $x \in [1/2, b]$  provided  $f \in C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$ ,  $\gamma \geq 2$  and  $b > 1/2$ .

In order to get uniform convergence on  $[1/2, +\infty)$  of the sequence  $\{K_n^*(f)\}$  we consider the following subspace  $E$  of  $C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$ :

$$E := \left\{ f \in C[0, +\infty) : \lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} f(t) \text{ is finite} \right\}$$

endowed with the sup-norm.

For a given  $\lambda > 0$ , consider the function  $f_\lambda(t) := e^{-\lambda t}$ , ( $t \geq 0$ ). Then, for every  $x \geq 1/2$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} K_n^*(f_\lambda; x) &= ne^{\frac{1-2nx}{2}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2nx-1)^k}{2^k k!} \int_{I_{n,k}} e^{-\lambda t} dt \\ &= \frac{n(1 - \exp(-\lambda/n))}{\lambda} \times \exp(-n(x - 1/2n)) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n(x - 1/2n)e^{-\lambda/n})^k}{k!} \\ &= \frac{n(1 - \exp(-\lambda/n))}{\lambda} \times \exp\left\{-n\left(x - \frac{1}{2n}\right)(1 - \exp(-\lambda/n))\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(1 - \exp(-\lambda/n)) = \lambda$ , we conclude that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_n^*(f_\lambda) = f_\lambda \quad \text{uniformly on } [1/2, +\infty).$$

Hence using this limit and applying Proposition 4.2.5-(7) of [2, p. 215] one can obtain the next result at once.

**Theorem 2.3**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_n^*(f) = f$  uniformly on  $[1/2, +\infty)$  provided  $f \in E$ .

We can also give an  $L_p$ -approximation for the operators  $K_n^*(f; x)$  by using Proposition 4.2.5-(2) of [2, p. 215] as follows.

**Corollary 2.4** Let  $1 \leq p < +\infty$ . Then, for all  $f \in L_p[0, +\infty)$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_n^*(f; x) = f(x)$  uniformly with respect to  $x \in [1/2, +\infty)$ .

### 3. Better Error Estimation

In this section we compute the rate of convergence of the operators  $K_n^*$  defined by (2.3). Then, we will show that our operators have a better error estimation on the interval  $[1/2, +\infty)$  than the Szász-Mirakjan-Kantorovich operators  $K_n$  given by (1.1). To achieve this we use the modulus of continuity and the elements of Lipschitz class functionals.

If we define the function  $\psi_x$ , ( $x \geq 0$ ), by  $\psi_x(t) = t - x$ , then by Lemma 2.1 one can get the following result, immediately.

**Lemma 3.1** For every  $x \geq 1/2$ , we have

- (a)  $K_n^*(\psi_x; x) = 0$ ,
- (b)  $K_n^*(\psi_x^2; x) = \frac{x}{n} - \frac{5}{12n^2}$ ,
- (c)  $K_n^*(\psi_x^3; x) = \frac{x}{n^2} - \frac{1}{2n^3}$ ,

$$(d) \quad K_n^*(\psi_x^4; x) = \frac{3x^2}{n^2} - \frac{3x}{2n^3} - \frac{1}{80n^4}.$$

Let  $f \in C_B[0, +\infty)$ , the space of all bounded functions on  $[0, +\infty)$ , and  $x \geq 1/2$ . Then, for  $\delta_x > 0$ , the modulus of continuity of  $f$  denoted by  $\omega(f, \delta_x)$ , is defined to be

$$\omega(f, \delta_x) = \sup_{x-\delta_x \leq t \leq x+\delta_x; t \in [0, +\infty)} |f(t) - f(x)|.$$

Then we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.2** *For every  $f \in C_B[0, +\infty)$ ,  $x \geq 1/2$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have*

$$|K_n^*(f; x) - f(x)| \leq 2\omega(f, \delta_{n,x}),$$

where  $\delta_{n,x} := \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} - \frac{5}{12n^2}}$ .

**Proof.** Now, let  $f \in C_B[0, +\infty)$  and  $x \geq 0$ . Using linearity and monotonicity of  $K_n^*$  we easily get, for  $\delta_x > 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that

$$|K_n^*(f; x) - f(x)| \leq \omega(f, \delta) \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{\delta} \sqrt{K_n^*(\psi_x^2; x)} \right\}.$$

Now applying Lemma 3.1 (b) and choosing  $\delta = \delta_{n,x}$ , the proof is complete. □

**Remark.** For the Szász-Mirakjan-Kantorovich operators given by (1.1) we may write that, for every  $f \in C_B[0, +\infty)$ ,  $x \geq 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$|K_n(f; x) - f(x)| \leq 2\omega(f, \alpha_{n,x}), \tag{3.5}$$

where  $\alpha_{n,x} := \sqrt{\frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{3n^2}}$  (see [5, 6]).

Now we claim that the error estimation in Theorem 3.2 is better than that of (3.5) provided  $f \in C_B[0, +\infty)$  and  $x \geq 1/2$ . Indeed, for  $x \geq 1/2$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , it is clear that

$$\frac{x}{n} - \frac{5}{12n^2} \leq \frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{3n^2}. \tag{3.6}$$

This guarantees that  $\delta_{n,x} \leq \alpha_{n,x}$  for  $x \geq 1/2$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Now we can also compute the rate of convergence of the operators  $K_n^*$  by means of the elements of the Lipschitz class  $Lip_M(\alpha)$ , ( $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ). As usual, we say that a function  $f \in C_B[0, +\infty)$  belongs to  $Lip_M(\alpha)$  if the inequality

$$|f(t) - f(x)| \leq M |t - x|^\alpha \tag{3.7}$$

holds for all  $t \in [0, +\infty)$  and  $x \in [1/2, +\infty)$ .

**Theorem 3.3** *For every  $f \in Lip_M(\alpha)$ ,  $x \geq 1/2$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have*

$$|K_n^*(f; x) - f(x)| \leq M \left\{ \frac{x}{n} - \frac{5}{12n^2} \right\}^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}.$$

**Proof.** Since  $f \in Lip_M(\alpha)$  and  $x \geq 0$ , using inequality (3.7) and then applying the Hölder inequality with  $p = \frac{2}{\alpha}$ ,  $q = \frac{2}{2-\alpha}$  we get

$$|K_n^*(f; x) - f(x)| \leq K_n^*(|f(t) - f(x)|; x) \leq M K_n^*(|t - x|^\alpha; x) \leq M \{K_n^*(\psi_x^2; x)\}^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq M \left\{ \frac{x}{n} - \frac{5}{12n^2} \right\}^{\frac{\alpha}{2}},$$

whence the result.  $\square$

Notice that as in the proof of Theorem 3.2, since  $K_n(\psi_x^2; x) = \frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{3n^2}$ , the Szász-Mirakjan-Kantorovich operators defined by (1.1) satisfy

$$|K_n(f; x) - f(x)| \leq M \left\{ \frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{3n^2} \right\}^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \quad (3.8)$$

for every  $f \in Lip_M(\alpha)$ ,  $x \geq 1/2$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, it follows from (3.6) that the above claim also holds for Theorem 3.2, i.e., the rate of convergence of the operators  $K_n^*$  by means of the elements of the Lipschitz class functionals is better than the ordinary error estimation given by (3.8) whenever  $x \geq 1/2$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

#### 4. A Voronovskaya-Type Theorem

In this section, we prove a Voronovskaya-type theorem for the operators  $K_n^*$  given by (2.3).

We first need the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.1**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 K_n^*(\psi_x^4; x) = 3x^2$  uniformly with respect to  $x \in [1/2, b]$  ( $b > 1/2$ ).

**Proof.** Then, by Lemma 3.1 (d), we may write that

$$n^2 K_n^*(\psi_x^4; x) = 3x^2 - \frac{3x}{2n} - \frac{1}{80n^2}.$$

Now taking limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  on the both sides of the above equality the proof is complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2** For every  $f \in C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$  such that  $f', f'' \in C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$ ,  $\gamma \geq 4$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \{K_n^*(f; x) - f(x)\} = \frac{1}{2} x f''(x)$$

uniformly with respect to  $x \in [1/2, b]$  ( $b > 1/2$ ).

**Proof.** Let  $f, f', f'' \in C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$  and  $x \geq 1/2$ . Define

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

Then by assumption we have  $\Psi(x, x) = 0$  and the function  $\Psi(\cdot, x)$  belongs to  $C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$ . Hence, by Taylor's theorem we get

$$f(t) = f(x) + (t - x)f'(x) + \frac{(t - x)^2}{2}f''(x) + (t - x)^2\Psi(t, x).$$

Now from Lemma 3.1 (a) – (b)

$$n \{K_n^*(f; x) - f(x)\} = \frac{n}{2} \left( \frac{x}{n} - \frac{5}{12n^2} \right) f''(x) + n K_n^*(\psi_x^2(t)\Psi(t, x); x). \quad (4.9)$$

If we apply the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality for the second term on the right-hand side of (4.9), then we conclude that

$$n |K_n^*(\psi_x^2(t)\Psi(t, x); x)| \leq (n^2 K_n^*(\psi_x^4(t); x))^{\frac{1}{2}} (K_n^*(\Psi^2(t, x); x))^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (4.10)$$

Let  $\eta(t, x) := \Psi^2(t, x)$ . In this case, observe that  $\eta(x, x) = 0$  and  $\eta(\cdot, x) \in C_\gamma[0, +\infty)$ . Then it follows from Theorem 2.2 that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_n^*(\Psi^2(t, x); x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_n^*(\eta(t, x); x) = \eta(x, x) = 0 \quad (4.11)$$

uniformly with respect to  $x \in [1/2, b]$  ( $b > 1/2$ ). Now considering (4.10) and (4.11), and also using Lemma 4.1, we immediately see that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n K_n^*(\psi_x^2(t)\Psi(t, x); x) = 0 \quad (4.12)$$

uniformly with respect to  $x \in [1/2, b]$ . On the other hand, observe now that, by (3.6),

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{2} \left( \frac{x}{n} - \frac{5}{12n^2} \right) = \frac{1}{2}x. \quad (4.13)$$

Then, taking limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (4.9) and using (4.12) and (4.13) we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \{K_n^*(f; x) - f(x)\} = \frac{1}{2}x f''(x)$$

uniformly with respect to  $x \in [1/2, b]$  with  $b > 1/2$ . So, the proof is completed.  $\square$

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