



Asymptotic properties of iterates of certain positive linear operators

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ABSTRACT

In this paper we prove Korovkin type theorem for iterates of general positive linear operators $T : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ and derive quantitative estimates in terms of modulus of smoothness. In particular, we show that under some natural conditions the iterates $T^m : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ converges strongly to a fixed point of the original operator T . The results can be applied to several well-known operators; we present here the q -MKZ operators, the q -Stancu operators, the genuine q -Bernstein–Durrmeyer operators and the Cesaro operators.

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1. Introduction

These iterated Bernstein operators were investigated in the 60's and 70's by P.C. Sikkema [1], R.P. Kelisky & T.J. Rivlin [2], S. Karlin & Z. Ziegler [3], J. Nagel [4], M.R. da Silva [5] and Gonska [6,7]. Some of this research was later generalized by Altomare et al. (see, for example, [8–10]). Altomare suggested to use in this context an approach described by Dickmeis and Nessel [11]. This was done recently by Rasa in [12,13]. Other new papers related to the subject of this article was written by S. Ostrovska [14] on iterates of q -Bernstein polynomials and N.I. Mahmudov [15] on iterates of positive linear operators which preserves e_2 .

The methods employed to study the convergence of iterates of some operators occurring in the Approximation Theory include Matrix Theory methods, like stochastic matrices [16–18], Korovkin-type theorems [3], quantitative results about the approximation of functions by positive linear operators [19,20], fixed point theorems [21–23], or methods from the theory of C_0 -semigroups, like Trotter's approximation theorem [3,24]. However, these techniques fail to work for the Meyer–König and Zeller (MKZ) or the May operators. Very recently, I. Gavrea and M. Ivan [25] proved that the iterates of the MKZ operators converges strongly to $P(f; x) = (1-x)f(0) + xf(1)$. Once such convergence have been obtained, the following natural question is to ask for rates of convergence. In Section 3, as a consequence of our results, we obtain the quantitative estimates for the iterates of the q -MKZ ($0 < q \leq 1$) operators, which is completely new.

On the other hand, because of its powerful applications, Korovkin's result has been extended in many directions. There is an extensive literature on Korovkin-type theorems, which may have had a summit already about twenty five years ago. In particular, there exist abstract results that cover many naturally arising concrete cases. The contributions up to about 1994

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are excellently documented in the book of Altomare and Campiti [10]. More recent results obtained in [26,27,15] cover also approximation of q -type operators.

In this paper we establish quantitative Korovkin type theorem for the iterates of certain positive linear operators $T : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$. Notice that, the special case when T preserves e_2 , that is, when $T(e_2; x) = x^2$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$ was considered in [15] and results of [15] include only King type q -operators. In this paper, as a consequence of our main results, we obtain the quantitative estimates for the iterates of almost all classical and new positive linear operators: the q -MKZ operators, the q -Stancu operators, the genuine q -Bernstein–Durrmeyer operators in the case $0 < q \leq 1$ and the Cesaro operators. It is worth mentioning that for $q = 1$ these operators become classical MKZ, Stancu and genuine Bernstein–Durrmeyer operators.

2. Main results

The following notations will be used throughout this paper. The classical Petree's K -functional and the second modulus of smoothness of a function f are defined respectively by

$$K_2(f, t) := \inf_{g \in C^2[0, 1]} \{ \|f - g\| + t \|g''\| \}$$

and

$$\omega_2(f, t) := \sup_{0 < h \leq t} \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1-2h} |f(x+2h) - 2f(x+h) + f(x)|.$$

It is known that there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$K_2(f, t) \leq C \omega_2(f, \sqrt{t}). \quad (1)$$

Let $e_i : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the monomial functions $e_i(x) = x^i$, $i = 0, 1, 2$.

Now we formulate the main results of the paper. First result shows that under the conditions (2) the iterates of $T : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ converge to some linear positive operator $T^\infty : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$.

Theorem 1. Suppose that $T : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ is a positive linear operator such that

$$\begin{aligned} T(e_0) &= e_0, \quad T(e_1; x) \leq x, \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|T^m(e_1) - f_1\| &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|T^m(e_2) - f_2\| = 0, \quad f_1, f_2 \in C[0, 1]. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Then there exists a linear positive operator $T^\infty : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C[0, 1]$ such that the following pointwise estimate

$$|(T^m - T^\infty)(f; x)| \leq k \omega_2(f, \sqrt{\lambda_m(x)}) + k \|f\| \delta_m(x) \quad (3)$$

holds true for $x \in [0, 1]$ and $f \in C[0, 1]$, where k is an absolute constant and

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_m(x) &= \max \{ |(T^m - T^\infty)(e_1; x)|, |(T^\infty - T^m)(e_2; x)| \}, \\ \delta_m(x) &= |(T^m - T^\infty)(e_1; x)|. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. It follows from the proof of [15, Theorem 1] that

$$|(T^{m+p} - T^m)(g; x)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \|g''\| |(T^{m+p} - T^m)(e_2; x)| + (\|g''\| + \|g'\|) |(T^m - T^{m+p})(e_1; x)|. \quad (4)$$

So $\{T^m(f; x)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in $C[0, 1]$ and there is a linear positive operator $T^\infty(f)$ such that

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \|T^m(f) - T^\infty(f)\| = 0$$

for any $f \in C[0, 1]$. Taking the limit as $p \rightarrow \infty$ in (4) and using the well known inequality

$$\|g'\| \leq C_1 (\|g\| + \|g''\|)$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(T^\infty - T^m)(g; x)| &\leq \frac{1}{2} \|g''\| |(T^\infty - T^m)(e_2; x)| + (\|g''\| + \|g'\|) |(T^m - T^\infty)(e_1; x)| \\ &\leq \left(\frac{3}{2} + C_1 \right) \lambda_m(x) \|g''\| + C_1 \delta_m(x) \|g\|. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

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