

## Asymptotic Behavior of Derivatives of Near Best Approximation Polynomials

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### Abstract

We Will relate the Behavior of derivatives of the near best approximation to the Ditzian - Totik modulus of smoothness of the functions in  $L_p, 0 < p < 1$ .

**Key Words:** Unconstrained approximation field , measurable function , maximal function .

### 1-Introduction and the Auxiliary Results

In the unconstrained approximation field we have a question: Is there any relation between the nearly best polynomial  $n$ th degree approximation to functions in the  $L_p[-1,1]$  for  $p < 1$  to the Ditzian Totik modulus of smoothness? The prime interest of this paper is to provide answer to the above question. Let  $\Pi_n$  denote the set of all algebraic polynomials of degree  $\leq n$ .  $L_p(I)$ ,  $I = [-1,1]$  consisting of the collection of all equivalence classes under equality a.e. for which

$$\|f\|_p := \left( \int_{-1}^1 |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} < \infty.$$

Since we need the  $L_p$  quasi norm on other intervals we will in all cases of an interval  $J \neq [-1,1]$ , indicate that by writing  $\|f\|_{L_p(J)}$ .

If  $\varphi(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$  the  $m$ th order Ditzian Totik Modulus  $\omega_\varphi^m(f, \delta)$  is given by (see [5], or [1] for example)

$$\omega_\varphi^m(f, \delta, I)_p := \sup_{0 < h \leq \delta} \left\| \Delta_{h\varphi(x)}^m(f, x) \right\|_{L_p(I)}, \delta > 0$$

where

$$\Delta_h^m(f, x, I) := \Delta_h^m(f, x) := \begin{cases} \sum_{i=0}^m \binom{m}{i} (-1)^{m-i} f\left(x - \frac{mh}{2} + ih\right), & x \pm \frac{mh}{2} \in I, \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

is the symmetric  $m$ th difference.

For  $f \in L_p(I)$ , the rate of unconstrained approximation is defined by

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

If  $f$  is a function in  $L_p(I)$ ,  $0 < p < 1$  then a polynomial  $p_n$  of degree  $n$  is a near best  $L_p$  approximation (with constant  $M$ ) to  $f$  from among all polynomials of degree  $\leq k$  if

$$\|f - p_n\|_p \leq ME_n(f)_p,$$

if  $M = 1$  then  $p_n$  is a best approximant.

We shall make use of the following lemmas that were proved in [2], [4], [1] respectively

**Lemma 1.1** For  $f \in L_p(I)$ ,  $0 < p < 1$  and  $k$  a positive integer, there exists an algebraic polynomial  $p_n$  of degree  $\leq n$  such that

$$\|f - p_n\|_p \leq c(p) \omega_\phi^k(f, n^{-1})_p.$$

**Lemma 1.2** For a function  $f \in L_p(I)$ ,  $0 < p < \infty$ , and  $r \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$\omega_\phi^r(f, \delta, [a, b])_p \approx \tilde{K}_{r, \phi}(f, \delta^r)_p, \delta > 0$$

where  $\tilde{K}_{r, \phi}$  is the Ditzian-Totik  $\tilde{K}$ -functional [4], defined by

$$\tilde{K}_{r, \phi}(f, \delta^r)_p := \inf_{\substack{p_n \in \Pi_n \\ n = \left[ \frac{1}{\delta} \right]}} \left\{ \|f - p_n\|_{L_p(J)} + \delta^r \|\phi^r p_n^{(r)}\|_{L_p(J)} \right\},$$

where  $[k]$  is the least integer greater than  $k$ .

**Lemma 1.3.** Suppose for  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , that  $\|\phi^m p_n^{(m)}\|_p \leq cn^m \sigma\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$ , where  $p_n$  is the best  $n$ th degree polynomial approximation to  $f$  in  $L_p$ ,  $p < 1$ , and  $\sigma(u) \rightarrow 0$  as  $u \rightarrow 0+$ . Then

$$E_n(f)_p \leq c(p) \int_0^{1/n} \frac{\sigma(u)}{u} du,$$

and

$$\omega_\phi^m(f, n^{-1})_p \leq c(p) \int_0^{1/n} \frac{\sigma(u)}{u} du.$$

In particular if

$$\int_0^{1/n} \frac{\sigma(u)}{u} du = O\left(\sigma\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)\right),$$

the above implies

$$E_n(f)_p \leq c(p)\sigma\left(\frac{1}{n}\right),$$

and

$$\omega_\phi^m(f, n^{-1})_p \leq c(p)\sigma\left(\frac{1}{n}\right).$$

We mean by  $f(x) = O(g(x))$  as  $x \rightarrow A$ ,  $A$  is constant, that  $\frac{|f(x)|}{|g(x)|} \leq k$  with  $k$  constant as  $x \rightarrow A$ .

Throughout this paper  $c$ s denote constants not depending on  $n$  and  $f(x)$ , the value of  $c$ s may vary at different places, even on the same line. In order to emphasize  $c$  depends only on parameters  $v$  and  $w$  the notation  $C(v, w)$  is used.

## 1. The Main Results

Our main results in this article are

**Theorem 2.1.** For any  $0 < p < 1$  and any polynomial  $p_n \in \Pi_n$  satisfying  $\|f - p_n\|_p \leq ME_n(f)_p$  with fixed  $M$ , and integer  $r > 0$  we have

$$\|\phi^r p_n^{(r)}\|_p \leq c(p)\omega_\phi^r(f, n^{-1})_p. \quad (2.2)$$

**Proof.** First we prove the estimate

$$\|\phi^{r+1} p_n^{(r+1)}\|_p \leq cn^{r+1}\omega_\phi^r(f, n^{-1})_p. \quad (2.3)$$

For  $\ell$  given by  $\ell = \max\{k : 2^k < n\}$  we expand  $p_n(x)$  by

$$p_n(x) - p_0(x) = p_n(x) - p_{2^\ell}(x) + (p_{2^\ell}(x) - p_{2^{\ell-1}}(x)) + \cdots + (p_1(x) - p_0(x))$$

We recall that for  $m < n$ ,  $\|p_n - p_m\|_p^p \leq 2ME_m(f)_p^p$  and use

$$\left\| (1-x^2)^{r/2} p_n^{(r)}(x) \right\|_p \leq c(p)n^r \|p_n(x)\|_p, \quad p < 1 \text{ with } r+1 \text{ instead of } r \text{ to obtain:}$$

$$\|\phi^{r+1} p_n^{(r+1)}\|_p^p \leq c(p)n^{r+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\ell} 2^{k(r+1)p} E_{2^k}(f)_p^p.$$

The inequalities in Lemma 1.1 and 1.2 lead to

$$\begin{aligned} E_{2^k}(f)_p^p &\leq c(p)\omega_\phi^r(f, 2^{-k})_p^p \\ &\leq c(p)\tilde{K}_{r,\phi}(f, 2^{-kr})_p^p \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq c(p)2^{pr+p(\ell-k)r} \tilde{K}_{r,\varphi}(f, 2^{-(\ell+1)r})_p^p \\ &\leq c(p)2^{p(\ell-k)r} \omega_\varphi^r(f, 2^{-\ell})_p^p. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above we write

$$\begin{aligned} \|\phi^{r+1} p_n^{(r+1)}\|_p^p &\leq c(p) \sum_{k=0}^{\ell} 2^{k(r+1)p+(\ell-k)rp} \omega_\varphi^r(f, 2^{-\ell})_p^p \\ &\leq c(p) n^{(r+1)p} \omega_\varphi^r(f, n^{-1})_p^p. \end{aligned}$$

For  $\varphi(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$  it follows from a well-known result on difference that

$$n^{-r} (1-x^2)^{\frac{r}{2}} p_n^{(r)}(\xi(x)) = \Delta_{\frac{\varphi(x)}{n}}^r p_n(x)$$

for some  $\xi(x)$  satisfying  $x - \frac{r\varphi(x)}{2n} \leq \xi(x) \leq x + \frac{r\varphi(x)}{2n}$ . To estimate  $\Delta_{\frac{\varphi(x)}{n}}^r p_n(x)$  in

$$L_p(D_n) \quad \text{where} \quad D_n = \left[ -1 + \frac{2r^2}{n^2}, 1 - \frac{2r^2}{n^2} \right] \quad \text{which guarantees}$$

$$x \pm \frac{r\varphi(x)}{2n} \in \left[ -1 + \frac{r^2}{n^2}, 1 - \frac{r^2}{n^2} \right] \text{ for } x \in D_n \text{ we write:}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \Delta_{\frac{\varphi}{n}}^r p_n \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p &\leq \left\| \Delta_{\frac{\varphi}{n}}^r (p_n - f) \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p + \left\| \Delta_{\frac{\varphi}{n}}^r f \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p \\ &\leq \omega_\varphi^r((p_n - f), n^{-1}, D_n)_p^p + \omega_\varphi^r(f, n^{-1})_p^p \\ &\leq c(p) \|p_n - f\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p + \omega_\varphi^r(f, n^{-1})_p^p \\ &\leq c(p) E_n(f)_p^p + \omega_\varphi^r(f, n^{-1})_p^p \\ &\leq c(p) \omega_\varphi^r(f, n^{-1})_p^p. \end{aligned}$$

To obtain (2.2) we write (note that  $p_n^{(r)}(\xi(x))$  is a measurable function of  $x$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \|n^{-r} \varphi^r p_n^{(r)}\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p &\leq \left\| n^{-r} \varphi^r p_n^{(r)} - \Delta_{\frac{\varphi}{n}}^r p_n \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p + \left\| \Delta_{\frac{\varphi}{n}}^r p_n \right\|_p^p \\ &= \left\| n^{-r} \varphi^r p_n^{(r)} - n^{-r} \varphi^{\frac{r}{2}} p_n^{(r)} \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p + \left\| \Delta_{\frac{\varphi}{n}}^r p_n \right\|_p^p \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq n^{-r} \left\| \varphi^{\frac{r}{2}} \left( p_n^{(r)} - p_n^{(r)}(\xi(x)) \right) \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p + \left\| \Delta_{\frac{\varphi}{n}}^r p_n \right\|_p^p \\
&\leq \left\| \left( 1 - x^2 \right)^{\frac{r}{2}} \int_x^{\xi(x)} p_n^{(r+1)}(u) du \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p + c(p) \omega_{\varphi}^r(f, n^{-1})_p^p \\
&=: E_1 + c(p) \omega_{\varphi}^r(f, n^{-1})_p^p.
\end{aligned}$$

We have for  $L_p(D_n)$ :

$$E_1 \leq \left\| \left( 1 - x^2 \right)^{\frac{r}{2}} \int_{x - \frac{r(x)}{2n}}^{x + \frac{r(x)}{2n}} |p_n^{(r+1)}(u)| du \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p =: I_p,$$

for  $0 < p < 1$  we can deduce from (2.3), recalling that the maximal function  $M(F)$  satisfies  $\|M(F)\|_p \leq c(p) \|F\|_p$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
I_p &\leq \frac{r}{n} \left\| \varphi(x)^{r+1} \frac{n}{r\varphi(x)} \int_{x - \frac{r\varphi(x)}{2n}}^{x + \frac{r\varphi(x)}{2n}} |p_n^{(r+1)}(u)| du \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p \\
&\leq \frac{c(p)}{n} \left\| M(\varphi^{r+1} p_n^{(r+1)}, x) \right\|_{L_p(D_n)}^p \\
&\leq c(p) \left\| \varphi^{r+1} p_n^{(r+1)} \right\|_p^p \\
&\leq c(p) \omega_{\varphi}^r(f, n^{-1})_p^p.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence using the following inequality from [2] we can obtain (2.2).

$$\left\| \varphi^r P_n \right\|_{L_p(D_n)} \leq c \left\| \varphi^r P_n \right\|_{L_p[-1,1]} \quad \text{for } P_n \in \Pi_n.$$

This completes the proof of theorem 2.1 ▀

We can state the following consequence to Theorem 2.1 and Lemma 1.3

**Corollary 2.4.** For any  $p < 1$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq r$ , we have

$$\left\| \varphi^r p_n^{(r)} \right\|_p \leq c(p) n^{r-\alpha} \quad \text{and} \quad \omega_{\varphi}^r(f, n^{-1})_p \leq c(p) n^{-\alpha}$$

are equivalent.

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**سلوك مشتقات****متعددات حدود التقريب المقارب الأفضل**

للدوال في الفضاءات  $L_p$  عندما  $0 < p < 1$

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