# Statistical convergence and rate of convergence of a sequence of positive linear operators

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**Abstract**. In the present paper, a modification of positive linear operators which was proposed by O. Agratini is introduced. This modification which preserves function  $e_2(x) = x^2$  provides a better estimation than operators given by Agratini. Also, using the concept of statistical convergence, we give the Korovkin type approximation theorem for this modification.

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## 1. Introduction

A. Lupaş defined the following operators [7]. Let  $\alpha = nx$ ,  $x \ge 0$  and consider the linear operators

$$L_{n}(f;x) = (1-a)^{nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)_{k}}{k!} a^{k} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)$$
(1.1)

with  $f:[0,\infty)\to\mathbb{R}$  where

$$\frac{1}{(1-a)^{\alpha}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha)_k}{k!} a^k, \ |a| < 1$$

and

$$(\alpha)_0=1, \ (\alpha)_k=\alpha\,(\alpha+1)\ldots(\alpha+k-1)\,,\ k\geq 1.$$

Agratini [1] found  $a = \frac{1}{2}$  for  $L_n(e_1; x) = e_1(x)$  where  $e_i(x) = x^i$ , i = 0, 1, 2, using operators  $L_n$  which defined by (1.1). Then, Agratini gave the following operators:

$$L_n(f;x) = 2^{-nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)_k}{2^k k!} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right), \quad x \ge 0.$$
 (1.2)

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It is known [1] that for the operators given by (1.2),

$$L_n(e_0; x) = e_0(x), \ L_n(e_1; x) = e_1(x) \text{ and } L_n(e_2; x) = e_2(x) + \frac{2e_1(x)}{n}.$$

We fix b > 0 and the lattice homomorphism  $H_b$  maps  $C[0,\infty)$  into C[0,b] defined by  $H_b(f) = f|_{[0,b]}$ . For the operators  $L_n$  defined by (1.2), it is known [1] that,  $H_b(L_ne_i) \to H_b(e_i)$  uniformly on [0,b], where i = 0, 1, 2. Also, in [1], for the  $L_n$  operators given by (1.2), Agratini proved the classical Korovkin theorem:

If  $L_n$  is defined by (1.2), then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} L_n(f; x) = f(x) \text{ uniformly on } [0, b]$$

for any b > 0.

Most of approximating operators,  $L_n$ , preserve  $e_0$  and  $e_1$ , i.e.,  $L_n(e_0; x) = e_0(x)$ and  $L_n(e_1; x) = e_1(x)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . These conditions hold for Bernstein polynomials and the Szász-Mirakjan operators (see, e.g. [6]). For each of these operators,  $L_n(e_2; x) \neq e_2(x)$ . Recently, King [5] presented a non-trivial sequence  $\{V_n\}$  of positive linear operators which approximate each continuous function on [0, 1] while preserving the functions  $e_0$  and  $e_2$ .

In this paper we give a modification of positive linear operators which  $L_n$  is defined by (1.2) and show that this modification which preserve  $e_0(x)$  and  $e_2(x)$  is a better estimation than operators given by (1.2). Finally, we study statistical convergence of this modification.

### 2. Construction of the operators

Let  $\{r_n(x)\}, [0,\infty)$  into itself, be a sequence of continuous functions. Let

$$R_n(f;x) = 2^{-nr_n(x)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nr_n(x))_k}{2^k k!} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)$$
(2.1)

for  $f \in C[0,\infty)$ . Hence, in the special case  $r_n(x) = x$ , n = 1, 2, ..., reduce to operators given by (1.2).

It is clear that  $R_n$  are positive and linear. Also, we have

$$R_n(e_0; x) = e_0(x), R_n(e_1; x) = r_n(x) \text{ and } R_n(e_2; x) = r_n^2(x) + \frac{2r_n(x)}{n}.$$
 (2.2)

**Theorem 1.** Let  $R_n$  denote the sequence of the positive linear operators given by (2.1). If

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} r_n\left(x\right) = x_s$$

then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} R_n(f; x) = f(x) \text{ uniformly on } [0, b]$$

for any b > 0.

Furthermore, we present the sequence  $\{R_n\}$  of positive linear operators defined on  $C[0,\infty)$  that preserve  $e_0(x)$  and  $e_2(x)$ .

It is obvious that the choice  $r_n(x) = r_n^*(x)$ :

$$r_n^*(x) = -\frac{1}{n} + \sqrt{x^2 + \frac{1}{n^2}}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$
 (2.3)

gives

$$R_n(e_2; x) = e_2(x) = x^2, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$
(2.4)

Simple calculations show that, for  $r_n^*(x)$  given by (2.3),

$$r_n^*(x) \ge 0, \quad n = 1, 2, ..., \quad x \in [0, \infty).$$
 (2.5)

It is clear that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} r_n^* \left( x \right) = x, \quad x \in [0, \infty) \,. \tag{2.6}$$

Thus, using (2.3), (2.4), (2.5), (2.6), we have the following Korovkin theorem for the operators  $R_n$  given by (2.1).

**Theorem 2.** Let the sequence  $\{R_n\}$  of positive linear operators given by (2.1) and the sequence  $\{r_n^*(x)\}$  defined by (2.3). Then,

(i)  $R_n$  is a positive linear operators on  $C[0,\infty), n = 1, 2, ...$ (ii)  $R_n(e_2; x) = e_2(x) = x^2, n = 1, 2, ..., x \in [0,\infty)$ (iii)  $\lim_{n \to \infty} R_n(f; x) = f(x)$ , on [0, b].

#### 3. Rate of convergence

In this section we compute the rates of convergence of the operators  $R_n(f;x)$  to f(x) by means of the modulus of continuity. Thus, we show that our estimations are more powerful than the operators given by (1.2) on the interval  $[0, \infty)$ .

For  $f \in C[0, b]$ , the modulus of continuity of f, denoted by  $\omega(f; \delta)$ , is defined to be

$$\omega\left(f;\delta\right) = \sup_{|y-x|<\delta, \ x,y\in[0,b]}\left|f\left(y\right) - f\left(x\right)\right|.$$

Then, it is clear that for any  $\delta > 0$  and each  $x, y \in [0, b]$ 

$$|f(y) - f(x)| \le \omega(f; \delta) \left(\frac{|y - x|}{\delta} + 1\right).$$

Now we have the following:

**Theorem 3.** If  $R_n$  is defined by (2.1), then for  $x \in [0, b]$  and any  $\delta > 0$ , we have

$$|R_n(f;x) - f(x)| \le \omega(f,\delta) \left[1 + \frac{1}{\delta}\sqrt{2x(x - R_n(e_1;x))}\right]$$

where  $R_n(e_1; x) = r_n^*(x)$  is given by (2.3). **Proof.** It is known [2] that for  $x \in [0, b]$  and any  $\delta > 0$ 

$$|R_{n}(f;x) - f(x)| \leq \omega(f,\delta) \left[ R_{n}(e_{0};x) + \frac{1}{\delta} (R_{n}(e_{0};x))^{\frac{1}{2}} (\mu_{n,2}(x))^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] + |f(x)| \cdot |R_{n}(e_{0};x) - e_{0}(x)|$$
(3.1)

where

$$\mu_{n,2}(x) = R_n(\Psi_{x,2};x) \text{ with } \Psi_{x,2}(t) = (t-x)^2.$$

Then, it is clear that

$$\mu_{n,2}(x) = R_n(\Psi_{x,2}; x)$$
  
=  $R_n((t-x)^2; x)$   
=  $R_n(e_2; x) - 2xR_n(e_1; x) + x^2R_n(e_0; x)$ .

For the operators  $R_n$  satisfying

$$R_{n}(e_{0};x) = e_{0}(x), R_{n}(e_{2};x) = e_{2}(x), n = 1, 2, ... \text{ and } x \in [0,b],$$

inequality (3.1) becomes

$$|R_{n}(f;x) - f(x)| \leq \omega(f,\delta) \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{\delta} \sqrt{x^{2} - 2xR_{n}(e_{1};x) + x^{2}} \right]$$
(3.2)  
=  $\omega(f,\delta) \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{\delta} \sqrt{2x(x - R_{n}(e_{1};x))} \right], x \in [0,b].$ 

Furthermore, when (3.2) holds,

 $2x(x - R_n(e_1; x)) \ge 0$  for  $x \in [0, b]$ .

For the special case  $R_n = L_n$ , we get the following inequality:

$$L_n(e_0; x) = e_0(x), L_n(e_1; x) = e_1(x) \text{ and } L_n(e_2; x) = e_2(x) + \frac{2e_1(x)}{n}.$$

Hence,

$$|L_n(f;x) - f(x)| \le \omega(f,\delta) \left[1 + \frac{1}{\delta}\sqrt{\frac{2x}{n}}\right].$$
(3.3)

The estimate (3.2) is better than the estimate (3.3) if and only if

$$2x (x - R_n (e_1; x)) \le \frac{2x}{n}, x \in [0, b].$$
(3.4)

Namely, this is equivalent to

$$R_n(e_1; x) \ge x - \frac{1}{n}, x \in [0, b].$$
 (3.5)

Since  $R_n(e_1; x) = r_n^*(x) = -\frac{1}{n} + \sqrt{x^2 + \frac{1}{n^2}},$ 

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{n^2} \ge x^2$$
, for  $x \ge 0$ 

i.e.

$$\sqrt{x^2 + \frac{1}{n^2}} \ge x.$$

(3.5) holds for every  $x \ge 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, our estimations are more powerful than the operators given by (1.2) on the interval  $[0, \infty)$ .

#### 4. Statistical convergence

Gadjiev and Orhan [4] have investigated the Korovkin type approximation theory via statistical convergence. In this section, using the concept of statistical convergence, we give the Korovkin type approximation theorem for the  $R_n$  operators given by (2.1). Before we present the new results, we shall recall some notation on the statistical convergence.

Let K be a subset of N, the set of all natural numbers. The density of K, denoted by  $\delta(K)$ , is defined by

$$\delta\left(K\right) := \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \chi_{K}\left(j\right)$$

provided the limit exists where  $\chi_K$  is the characteristic function of K. A sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is said to be statistical convergence to the number L,

$$\delta\left\{k\in\mathbb{N}:|x_k-L|\geq\varepsilon\right\}=0$$

for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  or equivalently there exists a subset  $K \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  with  $\delta(K) = 1$  and  $n_0(\varepsilon)$  such that  $k > n_0$  and  $k \in K$  imply that  $|x_k - L| < \varepsilon$  ([3]). In this case we write  $st - \lim x_k = L$ . It is known that any convergent sequence is statistically convergent, but not conversely. For example, for the sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is defined as

$$x_k = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k \text{ is square} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that  $st - \lim x_k = 0$ .

The Korovkin type approximation theorem is given as follows:

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**Theorem 4.** Let  $R_n$  denote the sequence of the positive linear operators given by (2.1). If

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} r_n\left(x\right) = x,$$

then

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} R_n(f; x) = f(x) \text{ on } [0, b]$$

for any b > 0.

Now, we choose a subset K of  $\mathbb N$  such that  $\delta\left(K\right)=1.$  Define the function sequence  $\{p_n^*\}$  by

$$p_n^*(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , & n \notin K \\ r_n^*(x) & , & n \in K \end{cases}$$
(4.1)

where  $r_n^*(x)$  is given by (2.3).

It is clear that  $p_n^*$  is continuous on  $[0,\infty)$  and

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} p_n^* \left( x \right) = x, \, x \in [0, \infty) \,. \tag{4.2}$$

We turn to  $\{R_n\}$  given by (2.1) with  $\{r_n(x)\}$  replaced by  $\{p_n^*(x)\}$  where  $p_n^*(x)$  is defined by (4.1). Show that  $\{R_n\}$  is a positive linear operator and

$$R_{n}(e_{1};x) = p_{n}^{*}(x)$$
(4.3)

and

$$R_n(e_2; x) = \begin{cases} e_2(x) &, n \in K \\ 0 &, otherwise \end{cases}$$
(4.4)

where K is any subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  such that  $\delta(K) = 1$ .

Since  $\delta(K) = 1$ , it is clear that

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} R_n (e_2; x) = e_2 (x) = x^2, x \in [0, \infty).$$
 (4.5)

Relations (2.2), (4.2), (4.3), (4.4) and Theorem 4 yield the following:

**Theorem 5.**  $\{R_n\}$  denote the sequence of positive linear operators given by (2.1) with  $\{r_n(x)\}$  replaced by  $\{p_n^*(x)\}$  where  $p_n^*(x)$  is defined by (4.1). Then

$$st - \lim_{n \to \infty} R_n(f; x) = f(x) \text{ on } [0, b]$$

for any b > 0.

We denote that  $\{R_n\}$  is the sequence of positive linear operators given by (2.1) with  $\{r_n(x)\}$  replaced by  $\{p_n^*(x)\}$  where  $p_n^*(x)$  is defined by (4.1) does not satisfy the condition of the classical Korovkin theorem.

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