

On Baskakov-type Operators

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The object of this note is to present an estimate on approximation of derivatives by derivatives of Baskakov-type operators. The convexity property is studied also.

1. Introduction

Recently Papanicolau [3] studied some Bernstein-type operators proposed by A. Lupas. Following [3], we define a sequence of linear positive operators $\{L_n f\}$,

$$(1.1) \quad (L_n f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-t)^k}{k!} \phi_n^k(t) f\left(x + \frac{k}{n}\right), \quad x \in [0, R] (R > 0) \text{ fixed}$$

and which map $C[0, R]$, the space of bounded continuous functions into itself. Here the sequence of functions $\{\phi_n(t)\}$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) possess the following properties on $[0, R]$:

- (a) ϕ_n is analytic on the interval $[0, R]$ including the end points.
- (b) $\phi_n(0) = 1$
- (c) $(-1)^k \phi_n^{(k)}(t) \geq 0$ if $k = 0, 1, \dots$ and $t \in [0, R]$
- (d) There exists a positive integer $m(n)$ not depending on k , such that

$$\phi_n^{(k)}(t) = -n \phi_{m(n)}^{(k-1)}(t) [1 + \alpha_{k,n}(t)] \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots)$$

where $\alpha_{k,n}(t)$ converges to zero uniformly in k when $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(e) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{m(n)} = 1$.

The object of this note is to give some results on operators (1.1).

These are the special cases of operators (1.1).

[A] $\phi_n(t) = (1-t)^n$. Then we get the Bernstein-type polynomials [3],

$$(1.2) \quad (L_n f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} t^k (1-t)^{n-k} f\left(x + \frac{k}{n}\right).$$

[B] $\phi_n(t) = e^{-nt}$. Then we get the operators of Szász and Mirakian-type,

$$(1.3) \quad (L_n f)(x) = e^{-nt} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nt)^k}{k!} f\left(x + \frac{k}{n}\right).$$

[C] $\phi_n(t) = (1+t)^{-n}$. Then we get some Bernstein-type operators as shown in [3],

$$(1.4) \quad (L_n f)(x) = (1+t)^{-n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+k-1}{k} \left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^k f\left(x + \frac{k}{n}\right)$$

2. Basic result

Let p be a positive integer, then

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(t - \frac{k}{n} - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^{2p} \frac{(-1)^{r+k} t^k}{n^r k!} \phi_n^{(k+r)}(t) = \frac{(-1)^r}{n^r} \sum_{1=0}^{2p-1} (-1)^1 \binom{2p}{1} \left(\frac{t - \frac{r}{2n}}{n^{2p-1}}\right)^1 \\ \times \sum_{s=1}^{2p-1} \lambda_s (-t)^{2p-1-s+1} \phi_n^{(2p-1-s+r+1)}(0) + \dots + \frac{(-1)^r \phi_n^{(r)}(0)}{n^r} \left(t - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^{2p} \\ = \mu_{n,p,r}(t) \quad (\text{say}).$$

where the constants λ_s are determined by the relation

$$(2p-1-s+1)^{2p-1} = \lambda_s (2p-1-s+1)(2p-1-s) \cdots 1 + \dots + \lambda_{2p-1} \cdot (2p-1-s+1).$$

Proof. Using

$$k^{2p} = \sum_{s=1}^{2p} \lambda_s k(k-1) \cdots (k-2p+s)$$

where

$$(2p-s+1)^{2p} = \lambda_s (2p-s+1)(2p-s) \cdots 1 + \dots \\ + \lambda_{2p-1} (2p-s+1)(2p-s) + \lambda_{2p} (2p-s+1).$$

The evaluation of (2.1) follows easily by the binomial expansion.

3.

We prove the following theorems.

THEOREM 1. Let $f \in C^r[0, \infty)$ with its modulus of continuity $\omega_r(f^{(r)}; \delta)$ ($\delta > 0$) and let p be a positive integer. Then for $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$(3.1) \quad |(L_n^r f)(x) - f^{(r)}(x+t)| \leq |1 - a_{n,r}| \cdot |f^{(r)}(x+t)| \\ + \omega_r(f^{(r)}; \delta) \left[\left(1 + \frac{r}{2n\delta}\right) a_{n,r} + \frac{\mu_{n,p,r}(t)}{\delta \left(\delta - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^{2p-1}} \right]$$

where $\mu_{n,p,r}(t)$ is given by (2.1) and

$$a_{n,r} = \frac{(-1)^r \phi_n^{(r)}(0)}{n^r}$$

Proof. We note that for each $n \geq 1$ and $x \in [0, \infty)$ fixed, $(L_n f)(x)$ is an infinitely differentiable function of t .

After differentiating (1.1) r times w.r.t. t , we get

$$(L_n^r f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r (-t)^k}{k!} \phi_n^{(k+r)}(t) \Delta_{n-1}^r f\left(x + \frac{k}{n}\right)$$

where $\Delta_{n-1}^r f(x + (k/n))$ represents the difference of order r of function f with step $1/n$ starting from value $x + (k/n)$. Using the mean value theorem

$$\Delta_{n-1}^r f\left(x + \frac{k}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n^r} f^{(r)}\left(x + \frac{k+r\theta_k}{n}\right) \quad 0 < \theta_k < 1$$

we get

$$(L_n^r f)(x) = \frac{(-1)^r}{n^r} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-t)^k}{k!} \phi_n^{(k+r)}(t) f^{(r)}\left(x + \frac{k+r\theta_k}{n}\right).$$

Clearly

$$|(L_n^r f)(x) - f^{(r)}(x+t)| \leq |1 - a_{n,r}| |f^{(r)}(x+t)| \\ + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r}{n^r} \frac{(-t)^k}{k!} \phi_n^{(k+r)}(t) \left| \left[f^{(r)}(x+t) - f^{(r)}\left(x + \frac{k+r\theta_k}{n}\right) \right] \right| \\ = S_1 + S_2 \quad (\text{say}).$$

Using (2.1) and the inequality

$$\left| f^{(r)}(x+t) - f^{(r)}\left(x + \frac{k+r\theta_k}{n}\right) \right| \leq [1+] \frac{\left| t - \frac{k}{n} - \frac{r}{2n} \right| + \frac{r}{2n}}{\delta} [] \cdot \omega_r(f^{(r)}; \delta)$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned}
S_2 &\leq \omega_r(f^{(r)}; \delta) \left[\left(1 + \frac{r}{2n\delta}\right) a_{n,r} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{1}{\delta} \sum_{|t - (k/n) - (r/2n)| \geq \delta - (r/2n)} \left| t - \frac{k}{n} - \frac{r}{2n} \right| \frac{(-1)^r (-t)^k}{n^r \cdot k!} \cdot \phi_n^{(k+r)}(t) \right] \\
&\leq \omega_r(f^{(r)}; \delta) \left[\left(1 + \frac{r}{2n\delta}\right) a_{n,r} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{1}{\delta \left(\delta - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^{2p-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(t - \frac{k}{n} - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^{2p} \frac{(-1)^r (-t)^k}{n^r \cdot k!} \phi_n^{(k+r)}(t) \right] \\
&= \omega_r(f^{(r)}; \delta) \left[\left(1 + \frac{r}{2n\delta}\right) a_{n,r} + \frac{\mu_{n,p,r}(t)}{\delta \left(\delta - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^{2p-1}} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

Remarks.

1. In the case $p=1$, the result (3.1) is analogous to the result of Martini [1].
2. Let $\phi_n(t) = (1-t)^n$ and $p=2$ in (3.1). Then after a little calculation, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu_{n,2,r}(t) &= \frac{(-1)^r}{n^r} \left[\frac{1}{n^4} (t^4 \phi_n^{(r+4)}(0) - 6t^3 \phi_n^{(r+3)}(0) + 7t^2 \phi_n^{(r+2)}(0) - t \phi_n^{(r+1)}(0)) \right. \\
&\quad - \frac{4 \left(t - \frac{r}{2n}\right)}{n^3} (-t^3 \phi_n^{(r+3)}(0) + 3t^2 \phi_n^{(r+2)}(0) - t \phi_n^{(r+1)}(0)) \\
&\quad + \frac{6 \left(t - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^2}{n^2} (t^2 \phi_n^{(r+2)}(0) - t \phi_n^{(r+1)}(0)) \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{4t \left(t - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^3}{n} \phi_n^{(r+1)}(0) + \left(t - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^4 \phi_n^{(r)}(0) \right] \\
&= \frac{d_{n,r}}{n^4} \left[3(n-r)^2 T^2 + (n-r)T(1-6T) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{r(n-r)(4+3r)}{2} T \cdot (1-2t)^2 + \frac{r^4}{16} (1-2t)^4 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

where $d_{n,r} = n(n-1) \cdots (n-r+1)/n^r$ and $T = t(1-t)$. Since $d_{n,r} \leq 1$, then for $0 \leq t \leq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{n,2,r}(t) &\leq \frac{1}{16n^4} \left[3(n-r)^2 + \frac{r(n-r)(3r+4)}{2} + r^4 \right] \\ &= \mu_{n,r}^* \quad (\text{say}). \end{aligned}$$

We get for polynomials (1.2),

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} |(L_n^{(r)}f)(x) - f^{(r)}(x+t)| &\leq \frac{r(r-1)}{2n} |f^{(r)}(x+t)| \\ &\quad + \omega_r(f^{(r)}; \delta) \left[\left(1 + \frac{r}{2n\delta}\right) + \frac{\mu_{n,r}^*}{\delta \left(\delta - \frac{r}{2n}\right)^3} \right] \end{aligned}$$

We note that estimate (3.2) in case $r=0$ reduces to

$$|(L_n f)(x) - f(x+t)| \leq \frac{19}{16} \omega\left(f; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

The above result may be compared to the estimate [2],

$$|(L_n f)(x) - f(x)| \leq \frac{5}{4} \omega\left(f; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right).$$

THEOREM 2. *If $f(t)$ is convex of order s , then $(L_n f)(0)$ is also a convex function of t of order s .*

Proof. We get from (1.1) that

$$\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)^s (L_n f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+s} t^k \phi_n^{(k+s)}(t)}{k!} \cdot b_n \cdot \Delta_{n-1}^s f\left(x + \frac{k}{n}\right)$$

where b_n is a constant function of n and

$$\Delta_{n-1} f\left(x + \frac{k}{n}\right) = n \left[f\left(x + \frac{k+1}{n}\right) - f\left(x + \frac{k}{n}\right) \right]$$

and Δ_{n-1}^s is the s -th iterate of difference operator. By the use of mean value theorem, we know that divided differences of any order are equal to a constant multiple times derivatives of corresponding order evaluated at intermediate points.

Hence

$$\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)^s (L_n f)(0) \geq 0 \quad (s=1, 2, \dots)$$

whenever $f(t)$ is convex of order s . This completes the proof.

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