

# Quantitative estimates for positive linear operators in weighted spaces

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## Abstract

We give some quantitative estimates for positive linear operators in weighted spaces by introducing a new modulus of continuity and then apply these results to the Bernstein-Chlodowsky polynomials.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $\mathbb{R}_+ = [0, \infty)$  and let  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be an unbounded strictly increasing continuous function such there exist  $M > 0$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$  with the property

$$(1) \quad |x - y| \leq M|\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)|^\alpha, \text{ for every } x, y \geq 0.$$

Let  $\rho(x) = 1 + \varphi^2(x)$  be a weight function and let  $B_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$  be the space defined by

$$B_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+) = \left\{ f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \|f\|_\rho = \sup_{x \geq 0} \frac{f(x)}{\rho(x)} < +\infty \right\}.$$

We define also the spaces

$$\begin{aligned} C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+) &= \{ f \in B_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+), f \text{ is continuous} \}, \\ C_\rho^k(\mathbb{R}_+) &= \left\{ f \in C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+), \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{f(x)}{\rho(x)} = K_f < +\infty \right\}, \\ U_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+) &= \{ f \in C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+), f/\rho \text{ is uniformly continuous} \}. \end{aligned}$$

We have the inclusions  $C_\rho^k(\mathbb{R}_+) \subset U_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+) \subset C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+) \subset B_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$ .

We consider  $(A_n)_{n \geq 1}$  a sequence of positive linear operators acting from  $C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$  to  $B_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$ . In [1] is given the following

**Theorem 1** *If  $A_n : C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+) \rightarrow B_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$  is a sequence of linear operators such that*

$$(2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n \varphi^i - \varphi^i\|_\rho = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, 2,$$

*then for any function  $f \in C_\rho^k(\mathbb{R}_+)$  we have*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n f - f\|_\rho = 0.$$

**Remark 1** *The conditions (2) can be replaced with:*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n \rho^{i/2} - \rho^{i/2}\|_\rho = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, 2$$

*and the theorem remains valid. (see [2])*

**Remark 2** *Taking  $f^*(x) = \varphi^2(x) \cos \pi x$ , we notice that  $f^* \in U_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$ . But it was proved in [1] that there is a sequence  $A_n$  of positive linear operators such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n f^* - f^*\|_\rho \geq 1$ . So, the space  $C_\rho^k(\mathbb{R}_+)$ , from Theorem 1 cannot be replaced by  $U_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$ .*

In [2] it was introduced a weighted modulus of continuity to estimate the rate of approximation in these spaces: for every  $\delta \geq 0$  and for every  $f \in C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$

$$\Omega_\rho(f, \delta) = \sup_{\substack{x, y \in \mathbb{R}_+ \\ |\rho(x) - \rho(y)| \leq \delta}} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{[|\rho(x) - \rho(y)| + 1]\rho(x)},$$

where  $\rho$  was defined as a continuously differentiable function on  $\mathbb{R}_+$  with  $\rho(0) = 1$  and  $\inf_{x \geq 0} \rho'(x) \geq 1$ . For this modulus, it was proved

**Theorem 2** *Let  $A_n$  be a sequence of positive linear operators such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \|A_n \rho^0 - \rho^0\|_\rho &= \alpha_n, \\ \|A_n \rho - \rho\|_\rho &= \beta_n, \\ \|A_n \rho^2 - \rho^2\|_{\rho^2} &= \gamma_n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha_n, \beta_n$  and  $\gamma_n$  tend to zero as  $n$  goes to the infinity. Then

$$\|A_n f - f\|_{\rho^4} \leq 16 \cdot \Omega_\rho\left(f, \sqrt{\alpha_n + 2\beta_n + \gamma_n}\right) + \|f\|_\rho \alpha_n$$

for all  $f \in C_\rho^k(\mathbb{R}_+)$  and  $n$  large enough.

We want to improve this result and give an application.

## 2 A new weighted modulus of continuity

For each  $f \in C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$  and for every  $\delta \geq 0$  we introduce

$$\omega_\varphi(f, \delta) = \sup_{\substack{x, y \geq 0 \\ |\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)| \leq \delta}} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{\rho(x) + \rho(y)}.$$

**Remark 3** Because of the symmetry we have

$$\omega_\varphi(f, \delta) = \sup_{\substack{y \geq x \geq 0 \\ |\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)| \leq \delta}} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{\rho(x) + \rho(y)}.$$

We observe that  $\omega_\varphi(f, 0) = 0$  and  $\omega_\varphi(f, \cdot)$  is a nonnegative, increasing function for all  $f \in C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$ . Moreover,  $\omega_\varphi(f, \cdot)$  is bounded, which follows from the inequality  $|f(y) - f(x)| \leq \|f\|_\rho (\rho(y) + \rho(x))$ .

**Remark 4** If  $\varphi(x) = x$ , then  $\omega_\varphi$  is equivalent with  $\Omega$  defined by

$$\Omega(f, \delta) = \sup_{x \geq 0, |h| \leq \delta} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x)|}{(1+h^2)(1+x^2)},$$

in the sense that

$$\omega_\varphi(f, \delta) \leq \Omega(f, \delta) \leq 3 \cdot \omega_\varphi(f, \delta),$$

the first inequality being true for  $\delta \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  and the second for all  $\delta \geq 0$ .

Indeed,  $\omega_\varphi(f, \delta) \leq \Omega(f, \delta)$  is equivalent with the inequality

$$1 + x^2 + h^2 + x^2h^2 \leq 1 + x^2 + 1 + x^2 + 2xh + h^2, \quad \forall x \geq 0$$

or  $x^2(1 - h^2) + 2xh + 1 \geq 0, \forall x \geq 0$ , which is true if  $2h^2 - 1 \leq 0$ .

The inequality  $\Omega(f, \delta) \leq 3 \cdot \omega_\varphi(f, \delta)$  is equivalent with

$$1 + x^2 + 1 + x^2 + 2xh + h^2 \leq 3(1 + x^2 + h^2 + x^2h^2), \quad \forall x \geq 0$$

or  $x^2 + 2h^2 + 2x^2h^2 + (xh - 1)^2 \geq 0$ , which is true for all  $h, x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Lemma 1**  $\lim_{\delta \searrow 0} \omega_\varphi(f, \delta) = 0$ , for every  $f \in U_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $y \geq x \geq 0$  such that  $0 \leq \varphi(y) - \varphi(x) \leq \delta$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{\rho(x) + \rho(y)} &\leq \left| \frac{f(x)}{\rho(x)} - \frac{f(y)}{\rho(y)} \right| \cdot \frac{\rho(x)}{\rho(x) + \rho(y)} + \frac{|f(y)|}{\rho(y)} \cdot \frac{|\rho(x) - \rho(y)|}{\rho(x) + \rho(y)} \\ &\leq \omega\left(\frac{f}{\rho}, |x - y|\right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \|f\|_\rho \cdot \frac{|\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)| \cdot [\varphi(x) + \varphi(y)]}{2 + \varphi^2(x) + \varphi^2(y)} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \omega\left(\frac{f}{\rho}, M|\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)|^\alpha\right) + \|f\|_\rho \cdot \frac{|\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)|}{2} \\ &\leq \frac{M+1}{2} \cdot \omega\left(\frac{f}{\rho}, \delta^\alpha\right) + \|f\|_\rho \cdot \frac{\delta}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\omega(f, \delta)$  is the usual modulus of continuity. We obtain

$$\omega_\varphi(f, \delta) \leq \frac{M+1}{2} \cdot \omega\left(\frac{f}{\rho}, \delta^\alpha\right) + \|f\|_\rho \cdot \frac{\delta}{2}$$

The right-hand side tend to zero when  $\delta$  tend to zero, because  $f/\rho$  is uniformly continuous, so the lemma is proved.

**Lemma 2** For every  $\delta \geq 0$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$  we have

$$\omega_\varphi(f, \lambda\delta) \leq (2 + \lambda) \cdot \omega_\varphi(f, \delta).$$

**Proof.** We prove that  $\omega_\varphi(f, m\delta) \leq (m+1) \cdot \omega_\varphi(f, \delta)$ , for every nonnegative integer  $m$ . The property for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$  can be easily obtained by using the inequalities  $[\lambda] \leq \lambda \leq [\lambda] + 1$ , where  $[\lambda]$  denotes the greatest integer less or equal to  $\lambda$ .

For  $m = 0$  and  $m = 1$  the inequality is obvious. For  $m \geq 2$ , let  $y > x \geq 0$  such that  $\varphi(y) - \varphi(x) \leq m\delta$ . We construct, inductively, the sequence of points  $x = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_m = y$  such that for each  $k \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ ,

$$\varphi(x_k) - \varphi(x_{k-1}) = c = \frac{\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)}{m} \leq \delta.$$

For simplifying the computations we set  $a_k = \varphi(x_k) \geq 0$ . We have

$$\sum_{k=1}^m a_k^2 + a_{k-1}^2 - 2 \sum_{k=1}^m a_k a_{k-1} = \sum_{k=1}^m (a_k - a_{k-1})^2 = mc^2,$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^m a_k^2 + a_k a_{k-1} + a_{k-1}^2 = \frac{1}{c} \sum_{k=1}^m a_k^3 - a_{k-1}^3 = \frac{a_m^3 - a_0^3}{c} = m(a_m^2 + a_m a_0 + a_0^2).$$

We deduce

$$\begin{aligned} 3 \sum_{k=1}^m a_k^2 + a_{k-1}^2 &= 2 \sum_{k=1}^m a_k^2 + a_k a_{k-1} + a_{k-1}^2 + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k^2 - 2a_k a_{k-1} + a_{k-1}^2 \\ &= 2m(a_m^2 + a_m a_0 + a_0^2) + mc^2 \\ &\leq 3m(a_m^2 + a_0^2) + (a_m - a_0)^2 \\ &\leq 3(m+1)(a_m^2 + a_0^2). \end{aligned}$$

Using this, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|f(y) - f(x)|}{\rho(y) + \rho(x)} &\leq \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{|f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})|}{\rho(x_k) + \rho(x_{k-1})} \cdot \frac{2 + \varphi^2(x_k) + \varphi^2(x_{k-1})}{\rho(y) + \rho(x)} \\ &\leq \omega_\varphi(f, \delta) \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{2 + a_k^2 + a_{k-1}^2}{2 + a_m^2 + a_0^2} \\ &\leq (m+1)\omega_\varphi(f, \delta). \end{aligned}$$

The supremum being the least upper bound, we obtain

$$\omega_\varphi(f, m\delta) \leq (m+1)\omega_\varphi(f, \delta).$$

**Lemma 3** For every  $f \in C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$ , for  $\delta > 0$  and for all  $x, y \geq 0$

$$|f(y) - f(x)| \leq (\rho(y) + \rho(x)) \left( 2 + \frac{|\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|}{\delta} \right) \omega_\varphi(f, \delta).$$

**Proof.** From the definition of the modulus we deduce

$$|f(y) - f(x)| \leq [\rho(y) + \rho(x)] \cdot \omega_\varphi(f, |\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|).$$

If  $|\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)| \leq \delta$  then by the monotony of the modulus we have

$$\omega_\varphi(f, |\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|) \leq \omega_\varphi(f, \delta).$$

If  $|\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)| \geq \delta$  then by the previous lemma

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_\varphi(f, |\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|) &= \omega_\varphi\left(f, \frac{|\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|}{\delta} \cdot \delta\right) \\ &\leq \left(2 + \frac{|\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|}{\delta}\right) \omega_\varphi(f, \delta). \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3** Let  $A_n : C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+) \rightarrow B_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$  be a sequence of positive linear operators with

$$\|A_n \varphi^0 - \varphi^0\|_{\rho^0} = a_n,$$

$$\|A_n \varphi - \varphi\|_{\rho^{\frac{1}{2}}} = b_n,$$

$$\|A_n \varphi^2 - \varphi^2\|_{\rho} = c_n,$$

$$\|A_n \varphi^3 - \varphi^3\|_{\rho^{\frac{3}{2}}} = d_n,$$

where  $a_n, b_n, c_n$  and  $d_n$  tend to zero as  $n$  goes to the infinity. Then

$$\|A_n f - f\|_{\rho^{\frac{3}{2}}} \leq (7 + 4a_n + 2c_n) \cdot \omega_\varphi(f, \delta_n) + \|f\|_{\rho} a_n$$

for all  $f \in C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$ , where

$$\delta_n = 2\sqrt{(a_n + 2b_n + c_n)(1 + a_n)} + a_n + 3b_n + 3c_n + d_n.$$

**Proof.** By the previous lemma and by the fact that

$$[\rho(x) + \rho(y)]|\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)| \leq [2\rho(x) + |\varphi^2(y) - \varphi^2(x)|] |\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |A_n f(x) - f(x)| \leq |f(x)| \cdot |A_n \varphi^0(x) - \varphi^0(x)| + A_n(|f(y) - f(x)|, x) \\
 (3) \quad & \leq \|f\|_\rho a_n \rho(x) + \omega_\varphi(f, \delta_n) \cdot \left[ 2A_n \rho(x) + 2\rho(x)A_n \varphi^0(x) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \frac{2\rho(x)A_n(|\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|, x) + A_n([\varphi(y) + \varphi(x)][\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)]^2, x)}{\delta_n} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Applying Cauchy-Schwarz inequality we have

$$A_n(|\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|, x) \leq (A_n([\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)]^2, x))^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (A_n \varphi^0(x))^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and using

$$\begin{aligned}
 & A_n([\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)]^2, x) \\
 & = A_n \varphi^2(x) - \varphi^2(x) - 2\varphi(x)[A_n \varphi(x) - \varphi(x)] + \varphi^2(x)[A_n \varphi^0(x) - \varphi^0(x)] \\
 & \leq \rho(x)c_n + 2\rho^{\frac{1}{2}}(x)\varphi(x)b_n + a_n \varphi^2(x),
 \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$A_n(|\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)|, x) \leq \rho^{\frac{1}{2}}(x) \cdot \sqrt{(a_n + 2b_n + c_n)(1 + a_n)}.$$

Because

$$\begin{aligned}
 & A_n(\varphi(y)[\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)]^2, x) \\
 & = A_n \varphi^3(x) - \varphi^3(x) - 2\varphi(x)[A_n \varphi^2(x) - \varphi^2(x)] + \varphi^2(x)[A_n \varphi(x) - \varphi(x)] \\
 & \leq \rho^{\frac{3}{2}}(x)d_n + 2\rho(x)\varphi(x)c_n + b_n \varphi^2(x)\rho^{\frac{1}{2}}(x),
 \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$A_n([\varphi(y) + \varphi(x)][\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)]^2, x) \leq \rho^{\frac{3}{2}}(x) \cdot (d_n + 2c_n + b_n + a_n + 2b_n + c_n).$$

Choosing  $\delta_n = 2\sqrt{(a_n + 2b_n + c_n)(1 + a_n)} + a_n + 3b_n + 3c_n + d_n$

$$|A_n f(x) - f(x)| \leq \left[ 2\rho(x)(2a_n + c_n + 3) + \rho^{\frac{3}{2}}(x) \right] \omega_\varphi(f, \delta_n) + \|f\|_\rho a_n \rho(x).$$

So,

$$\|A_n f - f\|_{\rho^{\frac{3}{2}}} \leq (7 + 4a_n + 2c_n) \cdot \omega_\varphi(f, \delta_n) + \|f\|_\rho a_n.$$

**Remark 5** In the conditions of the Theorem 3, using Lemma 1 we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n f - f\|_{\rho^{\frac{3}{2}}} = 0,$$

for all  $f \in U_{\rho^{\frac{3}{2}}}^k(\mathbb{R}_+)$ .

**Corollary 1** Let  $A_n : C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+) \rightarrow B_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$  be a sequence of positive linear operators with

$$\|A_n \varphi^0 - \varphi^0\|_{\rho^0} = a_n,$$

$$\|A_n \varphi - \varphi\|_{\rho^{\frac{1}{2}}} = b_n,$$

$$\|A_n \varphi^2 - \varphi^2\|_\rho = c_n,$$

$$\|A_n \varphi^3 - \varphi^3\|_{\rho^{\frac{3}{2}}} = d_n,$$

where  $a_n, b_n, c_n$  and  $d_n$  tend to zero as  $n$  goes to the infinity. Let  $\eta_n$  be a sequence of real numbers such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \eta_n = \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho^{\frac{1}{2}}(\eta_n) \delta_n = 0,$$

where  $\delta_n = 2\sqrt{(a_n + 2b_n + c_n)(1 + a_n)} + a_n + 3b_n + 3c_n + d_n$ . Then for every  $f \in C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$

$$\sup_{0 \leq x \leq \eta_n} \frac{|A_n f(x) - f(x)|}{\rho(x)} \leq (7 + 4a_n + 2c_n) \cdot \omega_\varphi\left(f, \rho^{\frac{1}{2}}(\eta_n) \delta_n\right) + \|f\|_\rho a_n.$$

**Proof.** Replacing  $\delta_n$  from (3) with  $\rho^{\frac{1}{2}}(\eta_n) \delta_n$  we obtain the result.

### 3 Application

We want to apply the result obtained in the Corollary 1 for the weight  $\rho(x) = 1 + x^2$  and the Bernstein-Chlodowsky operators defined by

$$B_n f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n}b_n\right) \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{x}{b_n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{x}{b_n}\right)^{n-k},$$

for  $0 \leq x \leq b_n$  and  $B_n f(x) = f(x)$ , for  $x > b_n$ , where  $b_n$  is a sequence of positive numbers such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \infty \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_n}{n} = 0.$$

The condition (1) over  $\varphi(x) = x$  is verified for  $\alpha = 1$  and  $M = 1$ .

**Theorem 4** *If  $B_n : C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+) \rightarrow B_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$  is the sequence of Bernstein-Chlodowsky operators, then for all  $f \in C_\rho(\mathbb{R}_+)$*

$$(4) \quad \|B_n f - f\|_\rho \leq \left(7 + \frac{b_n}{n}\right) \cdot \omega_\varphi \left( f, \sqrt{1 + b_n^2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{2b_n}{n}} + 3\frac{b_n}{n} + \frac{b_n^2}{2n^2} \right) \right).$$

**Proof.** We have

$$B_n e_0(x) = 1,$$

$$B_n e_1(x) = x,$$

$$B_n e_2(x) = x^2 + \frac{x(b_n - x)}{n},$$

$$B_n e_3(x) = x^3 + \frac{x(b_n - x)[(3n - 2)x + b_n]}{n^2}$$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \|B_n e_0 - e_0\|_{\rho^0} = 0, \\ b_n &= \|B_n e_1 - e_1\|_{\rho^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 0, \\ c_n &= \|B_n e_2 - e_2\|_{\rho} = \sup_{0 \leq x \leq b_n} \frac{x(b_n - x)}{n(1 + x^2)} = \frac{b_n^2}{2n(\sqrt{1 + b_n^2} + 1)} \leq \frac{b_n}{2n}, \\ d_n &= \|B_n e_3 - e_3\|_{\rho^{\frac{3}{2}}} \leq \sup_{0 \leq x \leq b_n} \frac{x(b_n - x)}{n(1 + x^2)} \cdot \sup_{0 \leq x \leq b_n} \frac{(3n - 2)x + b_n}{n\sqrt{1 + x^2}} \\ &\leq \frac{b_n}{2n} \left(3 + \frac{b_n}{n}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Setting  $\eta_n = b_n$  in the Corollary 1, and considering

$$2\sqrt{(a_n + 2b_n + c_n)(1 + a_n)} + a_n + 3b_n + 3c_n + d_n \leq \sqrt{\frac{2b_n}{n}} + 3\frac{b_n}{n} + \frac{b_n^2}{2n^2},$$

we obtain the estimation from the theorem.

**Remark 6** *In order to obtain*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|B_n f - f\|_{\rho} = 0,$$

*in the relation (4) from Theorem 4, we must have  $f \in U_{\rho}(\mathbb{R}_+)$  and*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{b_n^3}{n} = 0.$$

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