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## RATE OF CONVERGENCE FOR THE SZÁSZ – BÉZIER OPERATORS

### ШВИДКІСТЬ ЗБІЖНОСТІ ОПЕРАТОРІВ САСА – БЕЗ’Є

We estimate the rate of convergence for functions of bounded variation for the Bézier variant of the Szász operators  $S_{n,\alpha}(f, x)$ . We study the rate of convergence of  $S_{n,\alpha}(f, x)$  for the case  $0 < \alpha < 1$ .

Знайдено оцінку швидкості збіжності функцій обмеженої варіації для версії Без’є операторів Саса  $S_{n,\alpha}(f, x)$ . Вивчено швидкості збіжності  $S_{n,\alpha}(f, x)$  для  $0 < \alpha < 1$ .

**1. Introduction.** For the case where  $\alpha \geq 1$  or  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and a function  $f$  is defined on  $[0, \infty)$ , the Szász – Bézier operator  $S_{n,\alpha}$  is defined by

$$S_{n,\alpha}(f, x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} Q_{n,k}^{(\alpha)}(x) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right), \quad (1),$$

where  $Q_{n,k}^{(\alpha)}(x) = J_{n,k}^{\alpha}(x) - J_{n,k+1}^{\alpha}(x)$  and  $J_{n,k}(x) = \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} s_{n,j}(x)$  with the Szász basis function  $s_{n,k}(x) = e^{-nx} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . It is well known that for  $\alpha = 1$ , the operators (1) reduce to the well-known Szász – Mirakyany operators

$$S_n(f, x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} s_{n,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right).$$

The rate of convergence for the Szász – Mirakyany operators on functions of bounded variation was first studied by Cheng [1]. Recently, Zeng [2] and Zeng and Zhao [3] estimated the rates of convergence for the Szász – Bézier operators whenever  $\alpha \geq 1$ . The rates of convergence for the other case of  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  for functions of bounded variation were obtained in [4] and [5], respectively, for the Kantorovich – Bézier operators and Bernstein – Bézier operators. Motivated by this, we extend the results of [1, 3, 6] and study the rate of convergence for the Szász – Bézier operators  $S_{n,\alpha}(f, x)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$  for functions of bounded variation.

Our main theorem is stated as follows:

**Theorem.** Let  $f$  be a function of bounded variation on every finite subinterval of  $[0, \infty)$ . Let  $f(t) = O(t^r)$  for some  $r \in N$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Then for  $x \in (0, \infty)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , there exists a positive constant  $M(f, \alpha, x, r)$  such that, for  $n$  sufficiently large, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| S_{n,\alpha}(f, x) - \frac{1}{2^\alpha} f(x+) - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^\alpha}\right) f(x-) \right| \leq \\ & \leq \frac{Z(x)}{\sqrt{nx}} |f(x+) - f(x-)| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2enx}} \varepsilon_n(x) |f(x) - f(x-)| + \\ & + \frac{5}{nx} \sum_{k=1}^n \Omega_x \left( f_x, \frac{x}{\sqrt{k}} \right) + \frac{M(f, \alpha, x, r)}{n^m}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $Z(x) = \min \{ 0,8\sqrt{(1+3x)} + 0,5, 1,6x^2 + 1,3 \}$ ,

$$\Omega_x(f, \lambda) = \sup_{t \in [x-\lambda, x+\lambda]} |f(t) - f(x)|, \quad \varepsilon_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x = \frac{k'}{n}, \ k' \in N, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and

$$f_x(t) = \begin{cases} f(t) - f(x-), & 0 \leq t < x, \\ 0, & t = x, \\ f(t) - f(x+), & x < t < \infty. \end{cases}$$

It is clear that:

- (i)  $\Omega_x(f, h)$  is monotone nondecreasing with respect to  $h$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \Omega_x(f, h) = 0$  if  $f$  is continuous at the point  $x$ ;
- (iii) if  $f$  is a function of bounded variation on  $[a, b]$  and  $V_a^b(f)$  denotes the total variation of  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ , then  $\Omega_x(f, h) \leq V_{x-h}^{x+h}(f)$ .

We recall the Lebesgue – Stieltjes integral representation

$$S_{n,\alpha}(f, x) = \int_0^\infty f(t) d_t(K_{n,\alpha}(x, t)),$$

where

$$K_{n,\alpha}(x, t) = \begin{cases} \sum_{k \leq nt} Q_{n,k}^{(\alpha)}(x), & 0 < t < \infty, \\ 0, & t = 0. \end{cases}$$

We also define

$$H_{n,\alpha}(x, t) = \begin{cases} 1 - K_{n,\alpha}(x, t), & 0 < t < \infty, \\ 0, & t = 0. \end{cases}$$

**2. Lemmas.** In the sequel, we shall need the following lemmas:

**Lemma 1** [6]. *For all  $x \in (0, \infty)$  and  $x \in N$  we have*

$$s_{n,k}(x) < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2e} \sqrt{nx}}.$$

**Lemma 2** [2]. *For  $x \in (0, \infty)$  we have*

$$\left| \sum_{k > nx} s_{n,k}(x) - \frac{1}{2} \right| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{0,8\sqrt{(1+3x)} + 0,5}{1 + \sqrt{nx}}, \frac{1,6x^2 + 1,3}{1 + \sqrt{nx}} \right\}$$

and, for  $0 \leq t < x$ , we have

$$\sum_{k \leq nt} Q_{n,k}^{(\alpha)}(x) \leq \frac{x}{n(t-x)^2}.$$

**Lemma 3.** *For  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $0 < x < t < \infty$ , we have*

$$H_{n,\alpha}(x) \leq \frac{E(\alpha)}{n^m (t-x)^m},$$

where  $E(\alpha)$  is a positive constant depending only on  $\alpha$ .

**Proof.** Since  $0 < x < t < \infty$ , we have  $\frac{|k/n - x|}{|t - x|} \geq 1$  for  $k \geq nt$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} H_{n,\alpha}(x) &= 1 - K_{n,\alpha}(x, t) = \\ &= 1 - \sum_{k \leq nt} Q_{n,k}^{(\alpha)}(x) \leq \sum_{k \geq nt} Q_{n,k}^{(\alpha)}(x) \leq \left( \sum_{k \geq nt} \frac{|k/n - x|^{2m/\alpha}}{(t-x)^{2m/\alpha}} s_{n,k}(x) \right)^\alpha \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(t-x)^{2m}} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{k}{n} - x \right|^{2m/\alpha} s_{n,k}(x) \right)^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Put  $l = 2m/\alpha$  and suppose that  $[l]$  denotes the integral part of  $l$ . Following [4] (Lemma 6), choose the numbers  $p = \frac{2[l]}{2[l]+2-l}$ ,  $q = \frac{2[l]}{l-2}$ .

For each real, put  $\psi_x(t) = t - x$ . Note that  $\frac{2}{p} + \frac{2(1+[l])}{q} = \frac{2[l]+2-l}{[l]} + \frac{l-2}{[l]}(1+l) = l$ . The application of Hölder's inequality yields

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{k}{n} - x \right|^{2m/\alpha} s_{n,k}(x) &\leq \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{k}{n} - x \right|^2 s_{n,k}(x) \right)^{1/p} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{k}{n} - x \right|^{2([l]+1)} s_{n,k}(x) \right)^{1/q} = \\ &= \left( S_{n,1}(\psi_x^2, x) \right)^{1/p} \left( S_{n,1}(\psi_x^{2([l]+1)}, x) \right)^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

By using the well-known result  $S_{n,1}(\psi_x^r, x) = O(n^{-r})$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  ( $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ), we obtain

$$\left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{k}{n} - x \right|^{2m/\alpha} s_{n,k}(x) \right)^\alpha \leq O\left(n^{-\alpha/p - \alpha([l]+1)/q}\right) = O\left(n^{-m}\right),$$

since

$$-\frac{\alpha}{p} - \frac{\alpha(1+[l])}{q} = -\alpha - \frac{\alpha[l]}{\left(\frac{2[l]}{l-2}\right)} = -\alpha - \alpha \frac{l-2}{l} = -\alpha \frac{l}{2} = -m.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 3.

**3. Proof of Theorem.** We have

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= 2^{-\alpha} f(x+) + (1 - 2^{-\alpha}) f(x-) + g_x(t) + 2^{-\alpha} ((f(x+) - f(x-)) \text{sign}^{(\alpha)}(t)) + \\ &\quad + (f(x) - 2^{-\alpha} f(x+) - (1 - 2^{-\alpha}) f(x-)) \delta_x(t), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\text{sign}^{(\alpha)}(t-x) := \begin{cases} 2^\alpha - 1 & \text{if } t > x, \\ 0 & \text{if } t = x, \\ -1 & \text{if } t < x \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_x(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = t, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \neq t. \end{cases}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| S_{n,\alpha}(f, x) - \frac{1}{2^\alpha} f(x+) - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^\alpha}\right) f(x-) \right| \leq \\ &\leq |S_{n,\alpha}(f, x)| + \left| \frac{f(x+) - f(x-)}{2^\alpha} S_{n,\alpha}(\text{sign}^{(\alpha)}(t-x), x) \right| + \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \left[ f(x) - \frac{1}{2^\alpha} f(x+) - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^\alpha}\right) f(x-) \right] S_{n,\alpha}(\delta_x, x). \quad (2)$$

We first estimate

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n,\alpha}(\text{sign}^{(\alpha)}(t-x), x) &= 2^\alpha \sum_{k>nx} Q_{n,k}^{(\alpha)}(x) - 1 + e_n(x) Q_{n,k'}^{(\alpha)}(x) = \\ &= 2^\alpha \sum_{k>nx} (J_{n,k}^\alpha(x) - J_{n,k+1}^\alpha(x)) - 1 + \varepsilon_n(x) Q_{n,k'}^{(\alpha)}(x) = \\ &= 2^\alpha \left( \sum_{k>nx} s_{n,k}(x) \right)^\alpha - 1 + \varepsilon_n(x) Q_{n,k'}^{(\alpha)}(x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$S_{n,\alpha}(\delta_x, x) = \varepsilon_n(x) Q_{n,k'}^{(\alpha)}(x).$$

Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \frac{f(x+) - f(x-)}{2^\alpha} S_{n,\alpha}(\text{sign}(t-x), x) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left[ f(x) - \frac{1}{2^\alpha} f(x+) - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^\alpha}\right) f(x-) \right] S_{n,\alpha}(\delta_x, x) \right| = \\ &= \left| \frac{f(x+) - f(x-)}{2^\alpha} \left[ 2^\alpha \left( \sum_{k>nx} s_{n,k}(x) \right)^\alpha - 1 \right] + [f(x) - f(x-)] \varepsilon_n(x) Q_{n,k'}^{(\alpha)}(x) \right|. \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

By mean value theorem, we have

$$\left| \left( \sum_{j>nx} s_{n,j}(x) \right)^\alpha - \frac{1}{2^\alpha} \right| = \alpha (\zeta_{n,j}(x))^{\alpha-1} \left| \sum_{j>nx} s_{n,j}(x) - \frac{1}{2} \right|,$$

where  $\zeta_{n,j}(x)$  lies between  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\sum_{j>nx} s_{n,j}(x)$ . In view of Lemma 2, it is observed that, for  $n$  sufficiently large, the intermediate point  $\zeta_{n,j}$  is arbitrary close to  $\frac{1}{2}$ , i.e.,

$$\zeta_{n,j} = \frac{1}{2 + \varepsilon}$$

with an arbitrary small  $|\varepsilon|$ . Then we have

$$\alpha (\zeta_{n,j}(x))^{\alpha-1} \leq \alpha (2 + \varepsilon)^{1-\alpha}.$$

The latter expression is positive and strictly increasing for  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , since

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \alpha (2 + \varepsilon)^{1-\alpha} = (2 + \varepsilon)^{1-\alpha} [1 - \alpha \log(2 + \varepsilon)] > 0$$

for sufficiently small  $|\varepsilon|$ . Thus, it takes maximum value at  $\alpha = 1$ . This implies

$$\alpha (\zeta_{n,j}(x))^{\alpha-1} \leq 1.$$

Hence,

$$\left| \left( \sum_{j>nx} s_{n,j}(x) \right)^\alpha - \frac{1}{2^\alpha} \right| \leq \frac{Z(x)}{1 + \sqrt{nx}}, \quad Z(x) = \min \{0, 8\sqrt{(1+3x)} + 0,5, 1,6x^2 + 1,3\}. \quad (4)$$

We also have

$$Q_{n,k'}^{(\alpha)}(x) = J_{n,k'}^{\alpha}(x) - J_{n,k'+1}^{\alpha}(x) = \alpha(\zeta_{n,k'})^{\alpha-1} s_{n,k'}(x),$$

where  $J_{n,k'+1}(x) < \zeta_{n,k'}(x) < J_{n,k'}(x)$ . Thus, by Lemma 1, we have

$$Q_{n,k'}^{(\alpha)}(x) \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2enx}}. \quad (5)$$

Combining the estimates of (3) – (5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{f(x+) - f(x-)}{2^{\alpha}} S_{n,\alpha}(\text{sign}(t-x), x) + \right. \\ & \left. + \left[ f(x) - \frac{1}{2^{\alpha}} f(x+) - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{\alpha}}\right) f(x-) \right] S_{n,\alpha}(\delta_x, x) \right| \leq \\ & \leq \frac{Z(x)}{1 + \sqrt{nx}} |f(x+) - f(x-)| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2enx}} \varepsilon_n(x) |f(x) - f(x-)|. \end{aligned}$$

We next estimate  $S_{n,\alpha}(g_x, x)$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n,\alpha}(f_x, x) &= \int_0^{\infty} f_x(t) d_t(K_{n,\alpha}(x, t)) = \\ &= \left( \int_{I_1} + \int_{I_2} + \int_{I_3} + \int_{I_4} \right) f_x(t) d_t(K_{n,\alpha}(x, t)) = E_1 + E_2 + E_3 + E_4 \quad \text{say,} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where  $I_1 = \left[0, x - \frac{x}{\sqrt{n}}\right]$ ,  $I_2 = \left[x - \frac{x}{\sqrt{n}}, x + \frac{x}{\sqrt{n}}\right]$ ,  $I_3 = \left[x + \frac{x}{\sqrt{n}}, 2x\right]$ , and  $I_4 = [2x, \infty)$ . We first estimate  $E_2$ . Noting that  $f_x(x) = 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |E_2| &\leq \int_{x-x/\sqrt{n}}^{x+x/\sqrt{n}} |g_x(t) - g_x(x)| d_t(K_{n,\alpha}(x, t)) \leq \Omega_x\left(f_x, \frac{x}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \leq \\ &\leq \frac{x}{nx} \sum_{k=1}^n \Omega_x\left(f_x, \frac{x}{\sqrt{k}}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

We next estimate  $E_1$ . Writing  $y = x - \frac{x}{\sqrt{n}}$  and using Lebesgue – Stieltjes integration by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |E_1| &= \left| \int_0^y f_x(t) d_t(K_{n,\alpha}(x, t)) \right| \leq \int_0^y \Omega_x(f_x, x-t) d_t K_{n,\alpha}(x, t) = \\ &= \Omega_x(f_x, x-y) K_{n,\alpha}(x, y) + \int_0^y \hat{K}_{n,\alpha}(x, t) d_t(-\Omega_x(f_x, x-t)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\hat{K}_{n,\alpha}(x, t)$  is the normalized form of  $K_{n,\alpha}(x, t)$ . Since  $\hat{K}_{n,\alpha}(x, t) \leq K_{n,\alpha}(x, t)$  on  $(0, \infty)$ , by Lemma 2 it follows that

$$|E_1| \leq \Omega_x(f_x, x-y) \frac{x}{n(x-y)^2} + \frac{x}{n} \int_0^y \frac{1}{(x-t)^2} d_t(-\Omega_x(f_x, x-t)).$$

Integrating by parts the last term, we have

$$\int_0^y \frac{1}{(x-t)^2} d_t(-\Omega_x(f_x, x-t)) = -\frac{\Omega_x(f_x, x-t)}{(x-t)^2} \Big|_0^{y+} + \int_0^y \Omega_x(f_x, x-t) \frac{2dt}{(x-t)^3}.$$

Hence, by replacing the variable  $t$  in the last integral by  $x - \frac{x}{\sqrt{u}}$ , we get

$$|E_1| \leq \frac{2}{nx} \sum_{k=1}^n \Omega_x \left( f_x, \frac{x}{\sqrt{k}} \right). \quad (8)$$

Using the similar method for the estimation of  $E_3$ , we get

$$|E_3| \leq \frac{2}{nx} \sum_{k=1}^n \Omega_x \left( f_x, \frac{x}{\sqrt{k}} \right). \quad (9)$$

Finally, by assumption, we have the estimate

$$|f_x(t)| \leq Mt^r \leq M \left( \frac{t-x}{x} \right)^r \quad \text{for } t \geq 2x.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} |E_4| &= \left| \int_{2x}^{\infty} f_x(t) K_{n,\alpha}(x, t) dt \right| \leq \int_{2x}^{\infty} |f_x(t)| d_t K_{n,\alpha}(x, t) \leq \\ &\leq Mx^{-r} \int_0^{\infty} (t-x)^r d_t K_{n,\alpha}(x, t) \leq -Mx^{-r} \int_{2x}^{\infty} (t-x)^r d_t (1 - K_{n,\alpha}(x, t)) = \\ &= -Mx^{-r} \int_{2x}^{\infty} (t-x)^r d_t (H_{n,\alpha}(x, t)) \leq -Mx^{-r} \int_0^{\infty} (t-x)^r d_t (1 - K_{n,\alpha}(x, t)) = \\ &= Mx^{-r} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left( -(t-x)^r H_{n,\alpha}(x, t) \Big|_{2x}^R + \int_{2x}^R H_{n,\alpha}(x, t) d_t (t-x)^r \right) = \\ &= Mx^{-r} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left( -(t-x)^r H_{n,\alpha}(x, t) \Big|_{2x}^R + \int_{2x}^R H_{n,\alpha}(x, t) r(t-x)^{r-1} dt \right) = \\ &= Mx^{-r} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left( -(t-x)^r \frac{E(\alpha)}{n^m (t-x)^m} \Big|_{2x}^R + \frac{rE(\alpha)}{n^m} \int_{2x}^R (t-x)^{r-m-1} dt \right) = \\ &= M \frac{E(\alpha)}{n^m x^m} + \frac{rE(\alpha)}{n^m (m-r)x^{m-r}}, \quad m > r. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Combining the estimates of (2) – (10), we obtain the required result.

This completes the proof of the theorem.

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