

## The Relation Between the Degree of Monotone Approximation and the Degree of Unconstrained Approximation

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### ABSTRACT

Many researchers related to the degree of unconstrained approximation to constrained approximation, and proved the inequality: For a continuous function  $f$  on a closed interval we have

$$E_n(f) \leq C E_n^{(h)}(f) \quad (*)$$

where  $C$  is a positive constant. The converse of the relation (\*) is not achieved, so we will obtain the converse of the relation (\*) under some conditions on  $f$  which belonging to quasi normed spaces.

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### 1. Introduction

Do not be surprised if I tell you that the degree of constrained approximation is worse than the degree of unconstrained approximation. This is what many researchers have proven [1], [2], [3]. In this paper, we will prove that under some conditions the two degrees can be equivalent. In [4] E. S. Bhaya, studied on the constrained and unconstrained approximation, in [5] M.S.AL-Muhja, H. Akhadkulov and N. Ahmad, introduced Estimates for constrained approximation in  $L_{p,r}^{\alpha,\beta}$  space: piecewise polynomials, in [6] K.A. Kopotun, D. Leviatan and A.V. Prymak, discuss constrained spline smoothing, in [7] prove that the degree of co monotone, sequentially, coconvex approximation, of  $f$ , through algebraic polynomials of degree  $\leq n$ ,  $n \geq N$ , is too  $\leq c(\alpha, s)n^{-q\alpha}$ , where the constant  $N$  depends only on the area of the maximum, sequentially, deviation points in  $(-1, 1)$  and on  $\alpha$ .

in [8], [9] K.A. Kopotun, D. Leviatan, and I.A. Shevchuk, discuss, are the degrees of best (co)convex and unconstrained polynomial approximation the same?

Many researcher work on the upper bound of  $E_n^{(h)}(f)$  is the case  $h = 1$ , it mean  $f'(x) \geq 0$  for  $a \leq x \leq b$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ . In [10] Lorentz and Zeller proved that for a continuous function on the interval  $[a, b]$ , that satisfies

$$f^{(h)}(x) \geq 0 \text{ that } E_n(f) \leq E_n^{(h)}(f).$$

In [11] Lorenz proved that if  $f^{(hi)}(x) \geq 0$  for any  $a \leq x \leq b$  and  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, q$ , then there exists  $c > 0$  such that for positive consistent  $E_n^{(hi)}(f) \leq c E_n(f)$ . In [12] Roulier, put conditions on  $(f)$  to insure for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$E_n^{(hi)}(f) = E_n(f).$$

In [13] Roulier gave some conditions to get  $\frac{E_n^{(h)}(f)}{E_n(f)} \leq c(f')$ , where  $c(f')$  is constant depends of  $f'$ .

We obtain an estimate for the degree of best approximation once for  $h = 1$  and another for any  $h$ . Then we relate  $E_n^{(h)}(f)$  to  $E_n(f)$  by a constant independent on  $f'$ . These all for Lebesgue integrable functions.

Let the  $L_p$  space for  $0 < p < 1$

$$L_{p[0,1]} = \left\{ f : [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \text{ with } \left( \int_0^1 |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty \right\}.$$

On  $L_{p[0,1]}$  we define the quasi norm

$$\|f\|_p = \left( \int_0^1 |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, 0 < p < 1.$$

For  $p = \infty$ , we have  $x \in [0,1]$

$$\|f\|_p = \|f\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} |f(x)|. [14]$$

Before we define the degree of best approximation of  $f \in L_{p[0,1]}$ , let us introduce

$$\mathcal{P}_n = \{P_n(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n \text{ of degree } \leq n\},$$

and let

$$M_n = \{P_n(x) \in \mathcal{P}_n : P_n(x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_h) \geq 0\},$$

let

$$M = \{f \in L_p[0,1] : f(x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_h) \geq 0\}.$$

The space of  $h$ -monotone function.

A function  $f: [0,1] \rightarrow IR$  is said to be  $h$ -monotone  $h \geq 1$ , on  $[0,1]$  iff for each choices of  $(h + 1)$  distinct points  $x_0, x_1 \dots, x_h$  in  $[0,1]$  the inequality

$$f(x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_h) \geq 0,$$

$$f(x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_h) = \sum_{j=0}^h \frac{f(x_j)}{\omega'(x_j)}.$$

Is the  $h$ -divided difference of functions defined on the interval  $[0, 1]$  is . [14]

$$\omega(x) = \prod_{i=0}^h (x - x_i).$$

We define for  $f \in M$  the degree of monotone approximation

$$E_n^{(h)}(f)_p = \inf_{P_n \in M_n} \|f - P_n\|_p, [15]$$

where  $P_n \in M_n$  and  $f \in M$ , and the degree of monotone approximation

$$E_n(f)_p = \inf_{P_n \in \mathcal{P}_n} \|f - P_n\|_p, [15]$$

Be the degree of unconstrained best approximation[16] .

For  $p = \infty$ , we shall denote

$$E_n(f)_p = E_n(f)$$

$$E_n^{(h)}(f)_p = E_n^{(h)}(f).$$

The ordinary modulus of continuity of  $f \in L_p[0,1]$  is

$$\omega_1(f, \delta)_p = \sup_{0 \leq |h| \leq \delta} \|f(x+h) - f(x)\|_p.$$

## 2.The Main Results

In this section we present two theorem that we need in our work.

### Theorem 2.1

If  $f$  is monotone in  $L_p[0,1]$ , and satisfy the condition

$$(f(x_2) - f(x_1)) \geq M(x_2 - x_1),$$

where  $M$  is a positive constant, for  $0 \leq x_1 < x_2 \leq 1$ . Then

$$E_n(f)_p \leq \frac{c(p)}{E_n(f)_p} \left( \omega \left( \frac{3E_n}{M}, \frac{1}{n} \right)_p + E_n(f)_p \right)$$

$$E_n^1(f)_p \leq c(p)E_n(f)_p.$$

Where  $c(p)$  is constant depending only on  $p$ .

Proof.

Choose  $Q_n$  be a best approximation to  $f \in L_{p[0,1]}$ , i.e

$$E_n(f)_p = \|f - Q_n\|_p$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_n(x_2) - Q_n(x_1) &\geq f(x_2) - f(x_1) - |f(x_1) - Q_n(x_1)| - |f(x_2) - Q_n(x_2)| \\ &\geq f(x_2) - f(x_1) - \|f(x_1) - Q_n(x_1)\|_p - \|f(x_2) - Q_n(x_2)\|_p \\ &= f(x_2) - f(x_1) - 2E_n(f)_p \\ &\geq M(x_2 - x_1) - 2E_n(f)_p. \end{aligned}$$

If  $(M(x_2 - x_1) - 2E_n(f)_p) > E_n(f)_p$ , then

$$M(x_2 - x_1) - 3E_n(f)_p > 0$$

$$(x_2 - x_1) > \frac{3}{M} E_n(f)_p.$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_n(x_2) - Q_n(x_1) &> M \left( \frac{3}{M} E_n(f)_p \right) - 2E_n(f)_p \\ &= E_n(f)_p > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Define

$$P_n(x) = \frac{M}{3E_n(f)_p} \int_{(1 - \frac{3}{M} E_n(f)_p)x}^{(1 - \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M} + \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M})x} Q_n(t) dt,$$

we have

$$0 \leq \left(1 - \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M} + \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M}\right)x \leq 1, \text{ and } 0 \leq \left(1 - \frac{3}{M} E_n(f)_p\right)x \leq 1.$$

For  $1 > x > 0$ , we have  $P'_n(x) > 0$ .

If

$$1 - 3 \frac{E_n(f)_p}{M} \leq x, t \leq \left(1 - \frac{3}{M} E_n(f)_p + 3E_n(f)_p\right) x,$$

definition of the modulus of continuity implies

$$\|f(x) - f(t)\|_p \leq \omega\left(\frac{3}{M} E_n(f)_p, |x - t|\right)_p.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x) - P\|_{n_p} &= \left\| f - \frac{M}{3E_n(f)_p} \int_{\left(1 - \frac{3}{M} E_n(f)_p\right)x}^{\left(1 - \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M} + \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M}\right)x} \frac{3}{M} Q_n(t) dt \right\|_p \\ &= \left\| \frac{M}{3E_n(f)_p} \int_{\left(1 - \frac{3}{M} E_n(f)_p\right)x}^{\left(1 - \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M} + \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M}\right)x} (f(x) - Q_n(t)) dt \right\|_p \\ &= \frac{M}{3E_n(f)_p} \left\| \int_{\left(1 - \frac{3}{M} E_n(f)_p\right)x}^{\left(1 - \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M} + \frac{3E_n(f)_p}{M}\right)x} (f(x) - f(t) + f(t) - Q_n(t)) dt \right\|_p \\ E_n(f)_p \leq \|f - P_n\|_p &\leq \frac{M}{3E_n(f)_p} \left\| \int_0^1 (f(x) - f(t) + f(t) - Q_n(t)) dt \right\|_p \\ &\leq \frac{M 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}}{3E_n(f)_p} \left( \left\| \int_0^x f(x) - f(t) \right\|_p + \left\| \int_0^x f(t) - Q_n(t) \right\|_p \right) \\ &\leq \frac{M 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}}{3E_n(f)_p} \left( \left( \int_0^1 \left| \int_0^x (f(x) - f(t)) dt \right|^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \left( \int_0^1 \left| \int_0^x |f(t) - Q_n(t)| dt \right|^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \frac{c(p) 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}}{3E_n(f)_p} \left( \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} \left| \int_0^x f(x_i) - f(t) dt \right|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \int_0^x |f(t) - Q_n(t)| dt \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{c(p) 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}}{3E_n(f)_p} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} \left| \frac{1}{n^p} \sum_{i=1}^n (f(x_i) - f(y_i)) \right|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 &\leq \frac{c(p) 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}}{3E_n(f)_p} \left( \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n \cdot n^p} \sum_{i=1}^n |f(x_i) - f(y_i)|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \left( \int_0^1 |f(t) - Q_n(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\|f - P_n\|_p \leq \frac{c(p) 2^{\frac{1}{p}-1}}{3E_n(f)_p} \left( \omega \left( \frac{3E_n}{M}, \frac{1}{n} \right)_p + E_n(f)_p \right).$$

This implies

$$E_n^1(f)_p \leq c(p)E_n(f)_p.$$

**Theorem2-2.**

Let  $f \in L_p[0,1]$  be monotone function and assume that  $f$  is positive bounded function on  $L_p[0,1]$ . Then if  $f$  is not polynomial, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E_n^1(f)_p}{E_n(f)_p} \leq 4.$$

**Proof :-**

Assume there exists  $b > 0$  such that  $f(x) > b$ . Let  $\alpha$  be a positive constant greater than 1. Choose  $k$  so large that

$$E_k(f)_p < \frac{b}{(3 + \alpha)}.$$

Let  $P_k$  be the polynomial from  $\mathcal{P}_k$  of best approximation to  $f \in L_p[0,1]$ .

Let  $h(x) = f(x) - P_k(x) + (1 + \alpha)E_k(f)_p$ . Then we have

$$\alpha E_k(f)_p \leq f(x) - P_k(x) + (1 + \alpha)E_k(f)_p \leq (2 + \alpha)E_k(f)_p \tag{1}$$

Now let

$$\phi(x) = \int_0^x h(t)dt$$

$$Q_{k+1}(x) = f(x) - Q_{k+1}(x) \phi, \tag{2}$$

where

$$Q_{k+1}(x) = f(0) + \int_0^x (P_k(t) - (1 + \alpha)E_k(f)_p)dt.$$

$$\phi(x) = f(x) - f(0) + \int_0^x (P_k(t) - (1 + \alpha)E_k(f)_p)dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{k+1}(x) &= P_k(x) - (1 + \alpha)E_k(f)_p \\ &= P_k(x) - f(x) + f(x) - (1 + \alpha)E_k(f)_p \\ &\geq f(x) - (2 + \alpha)E_k(f)_p \\ &\geq b - (2 + \alpha) \frac{b}{(3+\alpha)} \\ &= \frac{b}{(3+\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

From (1)

$$\alpha E_k(f)_p \leq \phi(x) \leq (2 + \alpha)E_k(f)_p.$$

From theorem 2.1 we get for  $n$  sufficiently large

$$E_n^1(\phi)_p \leq \left( \frac{2 + \alpha}{\alpha} + 1 \right) E_n(\phi)_p.$$

That is, for  $n$  sufficiently large,

$$E_n^1(\phi)_p \leq 2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) E_n(\phi)_p.$$

$n \geq k + 1$ , we get by (2) and the monotonicity of  $Q_{k+1}$

$$E_n(\phi)_p = E_n(f)_p$$

$$E_n(f)_p = \inf_{P_n \in \mathcal{P}_n} \|f - P_n\|_\infty$$

$$E_n^1(f)_p = \inf_{P_n \in \mathcal{M}_n} \|f - P_n\|_p,$$

$$E_n^1(\phi)_p \geq E_n^1(f)_p.$$

$$E_n^1(\phi)_p \geq \inf_{P_n \in \mathcal{M}_n} \|f - P_n\|_p$$

$$\frac{E_n^1(f)_p}{E_n(f)_p} \leq 2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)$$

for  $n$  sufficiently large

$$\leq 2(1 + 1) = 4.$$

## Conclusion

usually the degree of unconstrained approximation is less than the degree of constrained approximation. In this paper we were able to obtain the opposite relation for  $E_n(f) \leq C E_n^{(h)}(f)$  under some conditions

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