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# ABOUT A CLASS OF LINEAR AND POSITIVE STANCU-TYPE OPERATORS

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ABSTRACT. The objective of this paper is to introduce a class of Stancu-type operators with the property that the test functions  $e_0$  and  $e_1$  are reproduced. Also, in our approach, two theorems of error approximation and two Voronovskaja-type theorems for this operators are obtained.

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#### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be a set of positive integers,  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and  $\alpha, \beta$  positive real numbers. We denote by  $e_j$  the monomial of j degree,  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . In 1969 D.D.Stancu [9], for any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 \le \alpha \le \beta$ , has introduced the linear positive operator

$$\left(P_m^{(\alpha,\beta)}f\right)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^m {m \choose k} x^k (1-x)^{m-k} f\left(\frac{k+\alpha}{m+\beta}\right),$$
(1.1)

defined for any  $f \in C([0,1])$  and  $x \in [0,1]$ . The author proved that if  $f \in C([0,1])$  then  $P_m^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f) \longrightarrow f$  uniform on [0,1]. Note that the operator from (1.1) preserves only the test function  $e_0$ . Following the ideas from [3], [4], [5], [6] and [8], in this paper we introduce a general class which preserves the test functions  $e_0$  and  $e_1$ . For our approach two convergence theorems and two Voronovskaja-type theorems are obtained. The paper is organized as follows: in Section 2 we recall some results obtained in [7] which are essentially for obtaining the main results of this paper; Section 3 is devoted to the properties that the class of linear and positive operators that preserves the test functions  $e_0$  and  $e_1$ , it has; finally, in Section 4, we plot on the same graph the images generated for exponential function by our operator and by the classical Stancu operator.

#### 2. Preliminaries

In this section, we recall some notions and results which we will use in what follows.

We consider I, J real intervals with the property  $I \cap J \neq \emptyset$  and we shall use the function sets: E(I), F(J) which are certain subsets of the set of real valued functions defined on I, respectively J,

$$B(I) = \{f | f : I \to \mathbb{R}, f \text{ bounded on } I\},\$$

$$C(I) = \{f | f : I \to \mathbb{R}, f \text{ continuous on } I\}$$

and

$$C_B(I) = B(I) \cap C(I)$$
.

For  $x \in I$ , we consider the function  $\psi_x : I \to \mathbb{R}, \psi_x(t) = t - x$ . For any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  we consider the functions  $\varphi_{m,k} : J \to \mathbb{R}$ , with the property  $\varphi_{m,k}(x) \geq 0$ , for any  $x \in J, k \in \{0, 1, ..., m\}$  and the linear positive functionals  $A_{m,k} : E(I) \to \mathbb{R}, k \in \{0, 1, ..., m\}$ . For  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  we define the operators  $L_m : E(I) \to F(J)$  by

$$(L_m f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{m} \varphi_{m,k}(x) A_{m,k}(f).$$
 (2.1)

**Remark 1.** The operators  $(L_m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}}$  are linear and positive on  $E(I\cap J)$ .

For any  $f \in E(I)$ ,  $x \in I \cap J$  and for  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , we define  $T_{m,i}$  by

$$(T_{m,i}L_m)(x) = m^i (L_m \psi_x^i)(x) = m^i \sum_{k=0}^m \varphi_{m,k}(x) A_{m,k}(\psi_x^i)$$
 (2.2)

In the following, let s be a fixed even natural number, we suppose that the operators  $L_m, m \in \mathbb{N}$  verifies the conditions: there exists the smallest  $\alpha_s, \alpha_{s+1} \in [0, \infty)$  such that

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \frac{(T_{m,j}L_m)(x)}{m^{\alpha_j}} = B_j(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \tag{2.3}$$

for any  $x \in I \cap J, j \in \{s, s+2\}$  and

$$\alpha_{s+2} < \alpha_s + 2. \tag{2.4}$$

If  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  is a given interval and  $f \in C_B(I)$ , then the first order modulus of smoothness of f is the function  $\omega(f;\cdot):[0,+\infty)\to\mathbb{R}$  defined for any  $\delta\geq 0$  by  $\omega(f,\delta)=\sup\{|f(x')-f(x'')|:x',x''\in I,|x'-x''|\leq \delta\}.$ 

**Theorem 1.** ([7]) Let  $f: I \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function. If  $x \in I \cap J$  and f is a s times derivable function in x, the function  $f^{(s)}$  is continuous in x, then

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} m^{s - \alpha_s} \left( (L_m f)(x) - \sum_{i=0}^s \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{m^i i!} (T_{m,i} L_m)(x) \right) = 0.$$
 (2.5)

If f is a s times differentiable function on I, the function  $f^{(s)}$  is continuous on I and there exists  $m(s) \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $k_j \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for any natural number  $m \geq m(s)$  and for any  $x \in I \cap J$  we have

$$\frac{(T_{m,j}L_m)(x)}{m^{\alpha_j}} \le k_j, \tag{2.6}$$

where  $j \in \{s, s+2\}$ , then the convergence given in (2.5) is uniformly on  $I \cap J$  and

$$m^{s-\alpha_s} \left| (L_m f)(x) - \sum_{i=0}^s \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{m^i i!} (T_{m,i} L_m)(x) \right| \le$$
 (2.7)

$$\leq \frac{1}{s!} (k_s + k_{s+2}) \omega \Big( f^{(s)}; \frac{1}{\sqrt{m^{2+\alpha_s - \alpha_{s+2}}}} \Big),$$

for any  $x \in I \cap J$  and  $m \ge m(s)$ .

## 3. The properties of the class of linear and positive operators

Let  $\alpha$  be a real number,  $\alpha \geq 0$ . We impose the condition that  $m_0 \geq [\alpha] + 1$ , then we have  $\frac{\alpha}{m_0} < 1$  for  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $m \geq m_0$  then  $\left[\frac{\alpha}{m_0}; 1\right] \subset \left[\frac{\alpha}{m}; 1\right]$  Let  $\mathbb{N}_1 = \{m \in \mathbb{N}_0 | m \geq m_0\}$ . In the above conditions we introduce the operators

$$(Q_m^{*\alpha}f)(x) = \frac{1}{m^m} \sum_{k=0}^m {m \choose k} (mx - \alpha)^k (m + \alpha - mx)^{m-k} f\left(\frac{k+\alpha}{m}\right)$$
(3.1)

for any  $f \in C([0,1]), m \in \mathbb{N}_1$  and any  $x \in \left[\frac{\alpha}{m_0}; 1\right]$ .

**Proposition 1.** The operators  $(Q_m^{*\alpha})_{m\geq m_0}$  are linear and positive.

*Proof.* It follows from (3.1).

**Remark 2.** For  $\alpha = 0$ , in (3.1), we obtain Berstein's operators.

**Lemma 1.** For  $m \in \mathbb{N}_1$  and  $x \in \left[\frac{\alpha}{m_0}; 1\right]$  we have

$$(Q_m^{*\alpha}e_0)(x) = 1, (3.2)$$

$$(Q_m^{*\alpha}e_1)(x) = x, (3.3)$$

$$(Q_m^{*\alpha}e_2)(x) = \frac{m-1}{m}x^2 + \frac{m+2\alpha}{m^2}x - \frac{\alpha(m+\alpha)}{m^3}.$$
 (3.4)

$$(Q_m^{*\alpha}e_3)(x) = \frac{(m-1)(m-2)}{m^2}x^3 + \frac{3(m-1)(m+2\alpha)}{m^3}x^2 +$$
(3.5)

$$+\frac{(6m-3m^2)\alpha^2+(6m^2-3m^3)\alpha+m^3}{m^5}x+\frac{-2m\alpha^3+(3m^3-6m^2)\alpha^2-m^3\alpha^2}{m^6}$$

$$(Q_m^{*\alpha}e_4)(x) = \frac{(m-1)(m-2)(m-3)}{m^3}x^4 + \frac{6(m-1)(m-2)(m+2\alpha)}{m^4}x^3 + (3.64)x^4 + \frac{m-1}{m^3}\left(\frac{6\alpha^2(m-2)(m-3)}{m^2} - \frac{3\alpha(6+4\alpha)(m-2)}{m} + 7 + 12\alpha + 6\alpha^2\right)x^2 + \frac{1}{m^3}\left(\frac{-4\alpha^3(m-1)(m-2)(m-3)}{m^3} + \frac{3\alpha^2(6+4\alpha)(m-1)(m-2)}{m^2} - \frac{2\alpha(7+12\alpha+6\alpha^2)(m-1)}{m} + 1 + 4\alpha + 6\alpha^2 + 4\alpha^3\right)x + \frac{\alpha}{m^4}\left(\frac{(m-1)(m-2)(m-3)}{m^3}\alpha^3 - \frac{(m-1)(m-2)\alpha^2(6+4\alpha)}{m^2} + \frac{\alpha(7+12\alpha+6\alpha^2)(m-1)}{m} - (1+4\alpha+6\alpha^2+3\alpha^3)\right).$$

*Proof.* After some calculus we obtain these results.

**Lemma 2.** For  $m \in \mathbb{N}_1$  and  $x \in \left[\frac{\alpha}{m_0}; 1\right]$ , the following identities

$$(T_{m,0}Q_m^{*\alpha})(x) = 1,$$
 (3.7)

$$(T_{m,1}Q_m^{*\alpha})(x) = 0,$$
 (3.8)

$$(T_{m,2}Q_m^{*\alpha})(x) = -mx^2 + (m+2\alpha)x - \frac{\alpha(m+\alpha)}{m},$$
 (3.9)

$$(T_{m,3}Q_m^{*\alpha})(x) = 2mx^3 + (2m^2(1+2\alpha) - 3m - 6\alpha)x^2 +$$

$$+ \frac{m^3 + 6m^2\alpha + 6m\alpha^2}{m^2}x + \frac{m^3(3\alpha^2 - \alpha) - 6m^2\alpha^2 - 2m\alpha^3}{m^3},$$
(3.10)

$$(T_{m,4}Q_m^{*\alpha})(x) = (3m^2 - 6m)x^4 + (-6m^2 + 12m(1 - \alpha) + 24\alpha)x^3 + (3.11)$$

$$+ \frac{3m^3 + m^2(18\alpha - 7) + m(18\alpha^2 - 36\alpha) - 36\alpha^2}{m}x^2 +$$

$$+ \frac{m^3(-12\alpha^2 - 6\alpha + 1) + m^2(-6\alpha^2 + 14\alpha) + m(-12\alpha^3 + 36\alpha^2) + 24\alpha^3}{m^2}x +$$

$$+ \frac{m^3(-6\alpha^4 - 10\alpha^3 + 2\alpha^2 + 11\alpha + 7) + m^2(18\alpha^4 + 18\alpha^3 - 6\alpha^2 - 12\alpha - 7)}{m^3} +$$

$$+ \frac{m(3\alpha^4 - 12\alpha^3) - 6\alpha^4}{m^3}$$

hold.

*Proof.* We take (2.2) and Lemma 1 into account.

Coming back to Theorem 1, for our operator (3.1) we have  $I = [0, 1 + \alpha]$  and  $E([0, 1 + \alpha]) = C([0, 1 + \alpha])$  and from (3.7)-(3.11) we obtain  $k_0 = 2$ ,  $k_2 = \frac{5}{4}$ ,  $k_4 = \frac{19}{16}$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 0$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 1$  and  $\alpha_4 = 2$ .

**Theorem 2.** Let  $f:[0,1+\alpha] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function s times differentiable on  $[0,1+\alpha]$ , having the s-order derivative continuous on  $[0,1+\alpha]$ . For s=0 we have

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} Q_m^{*\alpha} = f \tag{3.12}$$

uniformly on  $J = \left[\frac{\alpha}{m_0}; 1\right]$ , there exists  $m^* = max(m_0, m(0), m(2))$  such that

$$|(Q_m^{*\alpha}f)(x) - f(x)| \le \frac{13}{4}\omega\left(f; \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}\right),\tag{3.13}$$

for any  $x \in \left[\frac{\alpha}{m_0}; 1\right], m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geq m^*$ . For s = 2 we have

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} m((Q_m^{*\alpha} f)(x) - f(x)) = \frac{x(1-x)}{2} f^{(2)}(x)$$
(3.14)

uniformly on  $J = \left[\frac{\alpha}{m_0}; 1\right]$ , there exists  $m_1 = max(m^*, m(4))$  such that

$$m|(Q_m^{*\alpha}f)(x) - f(x) - \frac{f^{(2)}(x)}{2m^2}(T_{m,2}Q_m^{*\alpha})(x)| \le \frac{39}{32}\omega\left(f^{(2)}; \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}\right),$$
 (3.15)

for any  $x \in \left[\frac{\alpha}{m_0}; 1\right], m \in \mathbb{N}, m \geq m_1$ . For s = 4 we have

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} m^2 \left( (Q_m^{*\alpha} f)(x) - f(x) - \frac{x(1-x)}{2m} f^{(2)}(x) - \frac{(2\alpha+1)x^2}{3m} f^{(3)}(x) \right) = (3.16)$$

$$= \frac{\alpha(2x-1)}{2}f^{(2)}(x) + \frac{x(1-x)(1-2x)}{6}f^{(3)}(x) + \frac{x^2(1-x)^2}{8}f^{(4)}(x)$$

*Proof.* We use Theorem 1, Lemma 2 and the relations (3.7)-(3.11).

The relations (3.14) and (3.16) are Voronovskaja-type theorems.

#### 4. Application

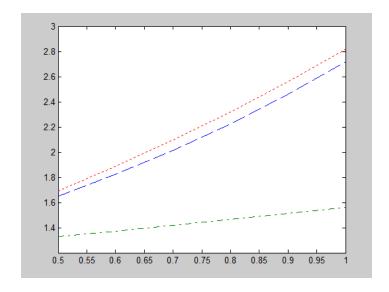
Next, using graphical representation, we will plot some graphs for this type of polynomials. We choose  $1=\alpha \leq \beta=6$  and we compare the following polynomials: the classical Stancu operator

$$(P_m^{1,6}f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^m {m \choose k} x^k (1-x)^{m-k} f\left(\frac{k+1}{m+6}\right), x \in [0,1],$$
 (4.1)

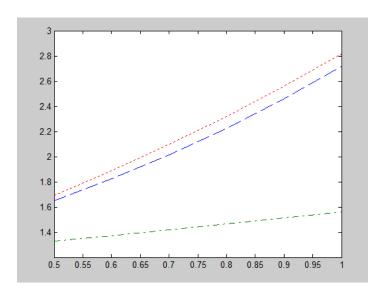
with the particular class of Stancu-type operators

$$(Q_m^{*1}f)(x) = \frac{1}{m^m} \sum_{k=0}^m {m \choose k} (mx-1)^k (m+1-mx)^{m-k} f\left(\frac{k+1}{m}\right), x \in \left[\frac{1}{m_0}, 1\right].$$
(4.2)

We fix  $m_0 = 2$ . For m = 3, we plot - with dashed line  $f: [0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , f(x) = exp(x) - with dash-dot line  $(P_3^{(1,6)}exp(\cdot))(x) = (1-x)^3 exp\left(\frac{1}{9}\right) + 3x(1-x)^2 exp\left(\frac{2}{9}\right) + 3x^2(1-x)exp\left(\frac{3}{9}\right) + x^3 exp\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)$ , for  $x \in [0,1]$  - with dotted line  $(Q_3^{*1}exp(\cdot))(x) = \frac{1}{27}(4-3x)^3 exp\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \frac{3}{27}(3x-1)(4-3x)^2 exp\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + \frac{3}{27}(3x-1)^2(4-3x)exp\left(\frac{3}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{27}(3x-1)^3 exp\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)$ , for  $x \in [\frac{1}{2},1]$ .



We fix  $m_0 = 2$ . For m = 4 we plot - with dashed line  $f : [0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , f(x) = exp(x) - with dash-dot line  $(P_4^{(1,6)}exp(\cdot))(x) = (1-x)^4exp\left(\frac{1}{10}\right) + 4x(1-x)^3exp\left(\frac{2}{10}\right) + 6x^2(1-x)^2exp\left(\frac{3}{10}\right) + 4x^3(1-x)exp\left(\frac{4}{10}\right) + x^4exp\left(\frac{5}{10}\right)$ , for  $x \in [0,1]$  - with dotted line  $(Q_4^{*1}exp(\cdot))(x) = \frac{1}{256}(5-4x)^4exp\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{4}{256}(4x-1)(5-4x)^3exp\left(\frac{2}{4}\right) + \frac{6}{256}(4x-1)^2(5-4x)^2exp\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + \frac{4}{256}(4x-1)^3(5-4x)exp\left(\frac{4}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{256}(4x-1)^4exp\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)$ , for  $x \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ .



Note that our operator in the interval  $\left[\frac{1}{2},1\right]$  for this function, approximates better than the classical Stancu operator.

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