



## ON A FAMILY OF LINEAR AND POSITIVE OPERATORS IN WEIGHTED SPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we present a modification of the sequence of linear operators proposed by Lupaş [6] and studied by Agratini [1]. Some convergence properties of these operators are given in weighted spaces of continuous functions on positive semi-axis by using the same approach as in [4] and [5].

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Lupaş in [6] studied the identity

$$\frac{1}{(1-a)^\alpha} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha)_k}{k!} a^k, \quad |a| < 1$$

and letting  $\alpha = nx$  and  $x \geq 0$  considered the linear positive operators

$$L_n^*(f; x) = (1-a)^{nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)_k}{k!} a^k f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)$$

with  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Imposing the condition  $L_n(1; x) = 1$  he found that  $a = 1/2$ . Therefore Lupaş proposed the positive linear operators

$$(1.1) \quad L_n^*(f; x) = 2^{-nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)_k}{2^k k!} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right).$$

Agratini [1] gave some quantitative estimates for the rate of convergence on the finite interval  $[0, b]$  for any  $b > 0$  and also established a Voronovskaja-type formula for these operators.

We consider the generalization of the operators (1.1)

$$(1.2) \quad L_n(f; x) = 2^{-a_n x} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_n x)_k}{2^k k!} f\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}_0, n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where  $\mathbb{R}_0 = [0, \infty)$ ,  $\mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $\{a_n\}, \{b_n\}$  are increasing and unbounded sequences of positive numbers such that

$$(1.3) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{b_n} = 0, \quad \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 1 + O\left(\frac{1}{b_n}\right).$$

In this work, we study the convergence properties of these operators in the weighted spaces of continuous functions on positive semi-axis with the help of a weighted Korovkin type theorem, proved by Gadzhiev in [2, 3]. For this purpose, we now recall the results of [2, 3].

$B_\rho$ : The set of all functions  $f$  defined on the real axis satisfying the condition

$$|f(x)| \leq M_f \rho(x),$$

where  $M_f$  is a constant depending only on  $f$  and  $\rho(x) = 1 + x^2$ ,  $-\infty < x < \infty$ .

The space  $B_\rho$  is normed by

$$\|f\|_\rho = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{|f(x)|}{\rho(x)}, \quad f \in B_\rho.$$

$C_\rho$ : The subspace of all continuous functions belonging to  $B_\rho$ .

$C_\rho^*$ : The subspace of all functions  $f \in C_\rho$  for which

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{\rho(x)} = k,$$

where  $k$  is a constant depending on  $f$ .

**Theorem A** ([2, 3]). *Let  $\{T_n\}$  be the sequence of linear positive operators which are mappings from  $C_\rho$  into  $B_\rho$  satisfying the conditions*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n(t^\nu, x) - x^\nu\|_\rho = 0 \quad \nu = 0, 1, 2.$$

*Then, for any function  $f \in C_\rho^*$ ,*

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

*and there exists a function  $f^* \in C_\rho \setminus C_\rho^*$  such that*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n f^* - f^*\|_\rho \geq 1.$$

## 2. AUXILIARY RESULTS

In this section we shall give some properties of the operators (1.2), which we shall use in the proofs of the main theorems.

**Lemma 2.1.** *If the operators  $L_n$  are defined by (1.2), then for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}_0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  the following identities are valid*

$$(2.1) \quad L_n(1; x) = 1,$$

$$(2.2) \quad L_n(t; x) = \frac{a_n}{b_n}x,$$

$$(2.3) \quad L_n(t^2; x) = \frac{a_n^2}{b_n^2}x^2 + 2\frac{a_n}{b_n^2}x,$$

$$(2.4) \quad L_n(t^3; x) = \frac{a_n^3}{b_n^3}x^3 + 6\frac{a_n^2}{b_n^3}x^2 + 6\frac{a_n}{b_n^3}x$$

and

$$(2.5) \quad L_n(t^4; x) = \frac{a_n^4}{b_n^4}x^4 + 12\frac{a_n^3}{b_n^4}x^3 + 36\frac{a_n^2}{b_n^4}x^2 + 26\frac{a_n}{b_n^4}x.$$

*Proof.* It is clear that (2.1) holds.

By using the recurrence relation  $(\alpha)_k = \alpha(\alpha + 1)_{k-1}$ ,  $k \geq 1$  for the function  $f(t) = t$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} L_n(t; x) &= \frac{1}{b_n} 2^{-a_n x} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a_n x)_k}{2^k (k-1)!} \\ &= \frac{a_n}{b_n} x 2^{-a_n x} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(a_n x + 1)_{k-1}}{2^k (k-1)!} \\ &= \frac{a_n}{b_n} x 2^{-(a_n x + 1)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_n x + 1)_k}{2^k k!} \\ &= \frac{a_n}{b_n} x. \end{aligned}$$

In a similar way to that of (2.2), we can prove (2.3) – (2.5). □

**Lemma 2.2.** *If the operators  $L_n$  are defined by (1.2), then for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}_0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$*

$$(2.6) \quad L_n((t-x)^4; x) = \left(\frac{a_n}{b_n} - 1\right)^4 x^4 + \left(12\frac{a_n^3}{b_n^4} - 24\frac{a_n^2}{b_n^3} + 12\frac{a_n}{b_n^2}\right) x^3 \\ + \left(36\frac{a_n^2}{b_n^4} - 24\frac{a_n}{b_n^3}\right) x^2 + 26\frac{a_n}{b_n^4}x.$$

**Lemma 2.3.** *If the operators  $L_n$  are defined by (1.2), then for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}_0$  and sufficiently large  $n$*

$$(2.7) \quad L_n((t-x)^4; x) = O\left(\frac{1}{b_n}\right) (x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x).$$

### 3. MAIN RESULT

In this part, we firstly prove the following theorem related to the weighted approximation of the operators in (1.2).

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $L_n$  be the sequence of linear positive operators (1.2) acting from  $C_\rho$  to  $B_\rho$ . Then for each function  $f \in C_\rho^*$ ,*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(f; x) - f(x)\|_\rho = 0.$$

*Proof.* It is sufficient to verify the conditions of Theorem A which are

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(t^\nu, x) - x^\nu\|_\rho = 0 \quad \nu = 0, 1, 2.$$

From (2.1) clearly we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(1, x) - 1\|_\rho = 0.$$

By using (1.3) and (2.2) we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \|L_n(t, x) - x\|_\rho &= \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}_0} \frac{|L_n(t, x) - x|}{1 + x^2} \\ &= \left| \frac{a_n}{b_n} - 1 \right| \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}_0} \frac{x}{1 + x^2} \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{b_n}\right) \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}_0} \frac{x}{1 + x^2}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(t; x) - x\|_\rho = 0.$$

Similarly, by the equalities (1.3) and (2.3) we find that

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1) \quad \|L_n(t^2, x) - x^2\|_\rho &= \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}_0} \frac{|L_n(t^2, x) - x^2|}{1 + x^2} \\ &\leq \left| \frac{a_{n^2}}{b_n^2} - 1 \right| \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}_0} \frac{x^2}{1 + x^2} + 2 \frac{a_n}{b_n^2} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}_0} \frac{x}{1 + x^2}, \end{aligned}$$

which gives

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(t^2; x) - x^2\|_\rho = 0.$$

Thus all conditions of Theorem A hold and the proof is completed.  $\square$

Now, we find the rate of convergence for the operators (1.2) in the weighted spaces by means of the weighted modulus of continuity  $\Omega(f, \delta)$  which tends to zero as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  on an infinite interval, defined in [5]. We now recall the definition of  $\Omega(f, \delta)$ .

Let  $f \in C_\rho^*$ . The weighted modulus of continuity of  $f$  is denoted by

$$\Omega(f, \delta) = \sup_{|h| \leq \delta, x \in \mathbb{R}_0} \frac{|f(x+h) - f(x)|}{(1+h^2)(1+x^2)}.$$

$\Omega(f, \delta)$  has the following properties [4, 5].

Let  $f \in C_\rho^*$ , then

- (i)  $\Omega(f, \delta)$  is a monotonically increasing function with respect to  $\delta$ ,  $\delta \geq 0$ .
- (ii) For every  $f \in C_\rho^*$ ,  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \Omega(f, \delta) = 0$ .
- (iii) For each positive value of  $\lambda$

$$\Omega(f, \lambda\delta) \leq 2(1 + \lambda)(1 + \delta^2)\Omega(f, \delta).$$

(iv) For every  $f \in C_\rho^*$  and  $x, t \in \mathbb{R}_0$  :

$$|f(t) - f(x)| \leq 2 \left( 1 + \frac{|t - x|}{\delta} \right) (1 + \delta^2) \Omega(f, \delta) (1 + x^2) (1 + (t - x)^2).$$

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $f \in C_\rho^*$ . Then the inequality

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}_0} \frac{|L_n(f, x) - f(x)|}{(1 + x^2)^3} \leq M \Omega(f, b_n^{-1/4})$$

is valid for sufficiently large  $n$ , where  $M$  is a constant independent of  $a_n$  and  $b_n$ .

*Proof.* By the definition of  $L_n$  and the property (iv), we get

$$|L_n(f, x) - f(x)| \leq 2(1 + \delta_n^2) \Omega(f, \delta_n) (1 + x^2) 2^{-a_n x} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_n x)^k}{2^k k!} A_1(x),$$

where

$$A_1(x) = \left( 1 + \frac{\left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right|}{\delta_n} \right) \left( 1 + \left( \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right)^2 \right).$$

Then for all  $x, \frac{k}{b_n} \in \mathbb{R}_0$ , by using the following inequality (see[5, p. 578])

$$A_1(x) \leq 2(1 + \delta_n^2) \left( 1 + \frac{\left( \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right)^4}{\delta_n^4} \right),$$

we can write

$$\begin{aligned} |L_n(f, x) - f(x)| &\leq 16 \Omega(f, \delta_n) (1 + x^2) \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\delta_n^4} 2^{-a_n x} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_n x)^k}{2^k k!} \left( \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right)^4 \right) \\ &= 16 \Omega(f, \delta_n) (1 + x^2) \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\delta_n^4} L_n((t - x)^4; x) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus by means of (2.7), we have

$$|L_n(f, x) - f(x)| \leq 16 \Omega(f, \delta_n) (1 + x^2) \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{\delta_n^4} O\left(\frac{1}{b_n}\right) (x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + x) \right].$$

If we choose  $\delta_n = b_n^{-1/4}$  for sufficiently large  $n$ , then we find

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}_0} \frac{|L_n(f, x) - f(x)|}{(1 + x^2)^3} \leq M \Omega(f, b_n^{-1/4}),$$

which is the desired result. □

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