

## Saturation of Trigonometric Polynomial Operators

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $C_{2\pi}$  denote the Banach space of all  $2\pi$ -periodic continuous functions on the real line with the supremum norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . Let  $\{L_n\}$  be a sequence of bounded linear operators of  $C_{2\pi}$  into itself. Suppose that there exists a sequence  $\{\phi_n\}$  of positive numbers converging to zero such that every  $f$  in  $C_{2\pi}$  for which  $\|L_n(f) - f\| = o(\phi_n)$  is a constant function, and there exists a nonconstant function  $f_0$  in  $C_{2\pi}$  such that  $\|L_n(f_0) - f_0\| = O(\phi_n)$ . Then the sequence  $\{L_n\}$  is said to be saturated with the order  $\{\phi_n\}$  and the class  $\mathcal{S}(L_n)$ , consisting of all  $f$  in  $C_{2\pi}$  for which  $\|L_n(f) - f\| = O(\phi_n)$ , is called the saturation class.

The problems of saturation have been investigated by several authors; an excellent source for references and a systematic treatment of theorems of saturation can be found in Butzer and Nessel [2] and DeVore [5]. Saturation theory in an arbitrary Banach space setting is treated by Butzer, Nessel, and Trebels [3, 4].

Here we are concerned with trigonometric polynomial operators which can be defined as follows. Let  $(\lambda(n; k))_{n, k \geq 1}$  be a lower triangular matrix, that is, an infinite real matrix satisfying  $\lambda(n; k) = 0$  whenever  $k > n$ . Let  $f \in C_{2\pi}$ , let its Fourier series be

$$S[f] = \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k(x) \quad (1)$$

and define

$$T_n(f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \lambda(n; k) A_k(x), \quad (2)$$

where  $\lambda(n; 0) = 1$ .

Let  $\tilde{s}_n(f)(x)$  denote the  $n$ th partial sum of the conjugate series of (1)

$$\tilde{S}[f] = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (b_k \cos kx - a_k \sin kx).$$

Then we have

$$\tilde{s}_n(f)(x) = (1/\pi) \int_0^{\pi} \{f(x+t) - f(x-t)\} \tilde{D}_n(t) dt,$$

where

$$\tilde{D}_n(t) = \{\cos(t/2) - \cos(2n+1)(t/2)\}/2 \sin(t/2).$$

We say that

$$\check{f}(x) = (1/2\pi) \int_0^{\pi} \{f(x+t) - f(x-t)\} \cot(t/2) dt \quad (3)$$

is the conjugate function of  $f$ , if the integral on the right-hand side of (3) converges absolutely for all  $x$  and if

$$\int_0^{\pi} |f(x+t) - f(x-t)| \cot(t/2) dt$$

is an integrable function.

The purpose of this paper is to establish a saturation theorem for the sequence  $\{T_n\}$  of operators on  $C_{2\pi}$  defined by (2); applications are made to Nörlund (= Voronoi) means whose saturation problem is dealt with by Buchwalter [1], Goel, *et al.* [6], Tureckii [7, 8], and Zuk [9].

## 2. A SATURATION THEOREM

We have the following saturation theorem:

**THEOREM 1.** *Suppose that there exists a sequence  $\{\phi_n\}$  of positive real numbers converging to zero, which satisfies*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \lambda(n; k))/\phi_n = k \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots) \quad (4)$$

and

$$\sum_{k=0}^n |A(n; k)| = \mathcal{O}(\phi_n), \quad (5)$$

where  $\Lambda(n; k) = \lambda(n; k) - 2\lambda(n; k + 1) + \lambda(n; k + 2)$ . Then  $\{T_n\}$  is saturated with the order  $\{\phi_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{S}(T_n) = \{f \in C_{2\pi}; \tilde{f} \in \text{Lip } 1\}$ .

*Proof.* The proof requires only to show that under assumption (5),  $\tilde{f} \in \text{Lip } 1$  implies  $\|T_n(f) - f\| = \mathcal{O}(\phi_n)$ .

Set

$$G_n(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n \Lambda(n; k) \int_t^\pi (\sin(k+1)u)/u^2 du \quad (0 \leq t \leq \pi).$$

Then we have

$$\int_0^\pi |G_n(t)| dt = \mathcal{O} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n |\Lambda(n; k)| \right]. \quad (6)$$

Indeed, since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{(k+1)t}^{(k+1)\pi} (\sin x)/x^2 dx &= \mathcal{O}(\log(1/(k+1)t)) \quad ((k+1)t < 1) \\ &= \mathcal{O}(1/(k+1)^2 t^2) \quad ((k+1)t \geq 1), \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} G_n(t) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \Lambda(n; k)(k+1) \int_{(k+1)t}^{(k+1)\pi} (\sin x)/x^2 dx \\ &= \sum_{(k+1)t < 1} \Lambda(n; k)(k+1) \int_{(k+1)t}^{(k+1)\pi} (\sin x)/x^2 dx \\ &\quad + \sum_{(k+1)t \geq 1} \Lambda(n; k)(k+1) \int_{(k+1)t}^{(k+1)\pi} (\sin x)/x^2 dx, \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} |G_n(t)| &= \mathcal{O} \left[ \sum_{(k+1)t < 1} |\Lambda(n; k)| (k+1) \log(1/(k+1)t) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{(k+1)t \geq 1} |\Lambda(n; k)| (k+1)/(k+1)^2 t^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi |G_n(t)| dt &= \mathcal{O} \left[ \int_0^\pi \left\{ \sum_{(k+1)t < 1} |\Lambda(n; k)| (k+1) \log(1/(k+1)t) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \sum_{(k+1)t \geq 1} |\Lambda(n; k)|/(k+1)t^2 \right\} dt \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \mathcal{O} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n |A(n; k)| \left\{ \int_0^{1/(k+1)} (k+1) \log(1/(k+1)t) dt \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \int_{1/(k+1)}^{\pi} 1/(k+1) t^2 dt \right\} \right] \\
&= \mathcal{O} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n |A(n; k)| \{1 + (k+1 - 1/\pi)/(k+1)\} \right] \\
&= \mathcal{O} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n |A(n; k)| \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned}
T_n(\tilde{s}_n(\tilde{f}))(x) &= - \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda(n; k) A_k(x) \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^n \{\lambda(n; k) - \lambda(n; k+1)\} \tilde{s}_k(\tilde{f})(x) \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^n \{\lambda(n; k) - \lambda(n; k+1)\} (1/2\pi) \\
&\quad \times \int_0^{\pi} \{\tilde{f}(x+t) - \tilde{f}(x-t)\} \cot(t/2) dt \\
&\quad - \sum_{k=0}^n \{\lambda(n; k) - \lambda(n; k+1)\} (1/2\pi) \\
&\quad \times \int_0^{\pi} \{\tilde{f}(x+t) - \tilde{f}(x-t)\} \cos(2k+1)(t/2)/\sin(t/2) dt \\
&= (-f(x) + a_0/2) - \sum_{k=0}^n \{\lambda(n; k) - \lambda(n; k+1)\} (1/2\pi) \\
&\quad \times \int_0^{\pi} \{\tilde{f}(x+t) - \tilde{f}(x-t)\} \cos(2k+1)(t/2)/\sin(t/2) dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$T_n(f)(x) - f(x) = (1/2\pi) \int_0^{\pi} \{\tilde{f}(x+t) - \tilde{f}(x-t)\} \Psi_n(t) dt,$$

where

$$\Psi_n(t) = (1/\sin(t/2)) \sum_{k=0}^n \{\lambda(n; k) - \lambda(n; k+1)\} \cos(2k+1)(t/2).$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_n(t) &= (1/2 \sin^2(t/2)) \sum_{k=0}^n \Lambda(n; k) \sin(k+1)t \\ &= (2/t^2 + \mathcal{O}(1)) \sum_{k=0}^n \Lambda(n; k) \sin(k+1)t \\ &= (2/t^2) \sum_{k=0}^n \Lambda(n; k) \sin(k+1)t + \mathcal{O}(\phi_n) \end{aligned}$$

and  $\tilde{f} \in \text{Lip } 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} T_n(f)(x) - f(x) &= (1/\pi) \int_0^\pi \{\tilde{f}(x+t) - \tilde{f}(x-t)\} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{k=0}^n \Lambda(n; k) \frac{\sin(k+1)t}{t^2} dt + \mathcal{O}(\phi_n) \\ &= -(1/\pi) \int_0^\pi \{g(x+t) + g(x-t)\} G_n(t) dt + \mathcal{O}(\phi_n), \end{aligned}$$

where  $g$  is a bounded integrable function with period  $2\pi$ .

Therefore, by (6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |T_n(f)(x) - f(x)| &= \mathcal{O} \left[ \int_0^\pi |G_n(t)| dt \right] + \mathcal{O}(\phi_n) \\ &= \mathcal{O}(\phi_n) + \mathcal{O}(\phi_n) = \mathcal{O}(\phi_n), \end{aligned}$$

which yields

$$\|T_n(f) - f\| = \mathcal{O}(\phi_n).$$

Because of assumption (4) the rest of the conclusion of the theorem follows from [2, Theorems 12.1.3 and 12.1.4]. Thus the theorem is proved.

**COROLLARY.** *If (4) and (5) in Theorem 1 are satisfied for  $\phi_n = |1 - \lambda(n; 1)|$ , then  $\{T_n\}$  is saturated with the order  $\{|1 - \lambda(n; 1)|\}$  and  $\mathcal{S}(T_n) = \{f \in C_{2\pi}; \tilde{f} \in \text{Lip } 1\}$ .*

*Remark.* Condition (5) should be compared with the condition

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (k+1) \left| \Delta^2 \frac{1 - \lambda(n; k)}{k} \right| = \mathcal{O}(\phi_n),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2 \frac{1 - \lambda(n; k)}{k} &= \frac{1 - \lambda(n; k)}{k} - \frac{2(1 - \lambda(n; k + 1))}{k + 1} + \frac{1 - \lambda(n; k + 2)}{k + 2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{k + 1} \left\{ \Delta(n; k) + \frac{1 - \lambda(n; k + 2)}{k + 2} - \frac{1 - \lambda(n; k)}{k} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

which is the usual condition in saturation theory based on quasi-convexity (cf. [2, (12.2.4) and Corollary 6.3.9, 4]).

### 3. APPLICATION TO NÖRLUND OPERATORS

Let  $\{p_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that

$$P_n = p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + \cdots + p_n \neq 0.$$

The Nörlund operator  $N_n$  in  $C_{2\pi}$  is defined by

$$N_n(f)(x) = (1/P_n) \sum_{k=0}^n P_{n-k} A_k(x),$$

where  $p_0 = 0$ , which can be obtained by taking the numbers  $\lambda(n; k) = P_{n-k}/P_n$  in (2). Note that if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{n-k}/P_n = 1 \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots),$$

and if

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (k+1) |p_{n-k} - p_{n-k-1}| = \mathcal{O}(|P_n|),$$

where  $p_0 = 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|N_n(f) - f\| = 0$  for every  $f$  in  $C_{2\pi}$ .

As an immediate consequence of the corollary, we have the following saturation theorem of the sequence  $\{N_n\}$  of Nörlund operators, which should be compared with the result in [6].

**THEOREM 2.** *Suppose that  $p_n \neq 0$  ( $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ),  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n/P_n = 0$ ,*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{sign}(P_n) \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} p_{n-i}/|p_n| = k \quad (k = 1, 2, 3, \dots) \quad (7)$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n |p_k - p_{k-1}| = \mathcal{O}(|p_n|). \quad (8)$$

Then  $\{N_n\}$  is saturated with the order  $\{|p_n/P_n|\}$  and  $\mathcal{S}(N_n) = \{f \in C_{2\pi}; \tilde{f} \in \text{Lip } 1\}$ .

*Proof.* Take  $\lambda(n; k) = P_{n-k}/P_n$ . Then it can be seen that

$$1 - \lambda(n; k) = (1/P_n) \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} p_{n-i}$$

and

$$\Lambda(n; k) = (p_{n-k} - p_{n-k-1})/P_n.$$

Thus we have

$$(1 - \lambda(n; k))/|1 - \lambda(n; 1)| = \text{sign}(P_n) \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} p_{n-i}/|p_n|,$$

and so the desired result follows from the Corollary.

*Remark.* Observe that (7) is equivalent to

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{sign}(P_n) p_{n-i}/|p_n| = 1 \quad (i = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

and that, if  $p_{n+1} \geq p_n > 0$  ( $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ), then (8) is automatically satisfied.

Finally, we mention some examples of  $\lambda(n; k)$  ( $= P_{n-k}/P_n$ ) and  $\phi_n$  ( $= |p_n/P_n|$ ), respectively.

$$(i) \quad \lambda(n; k) = (n - k)/n, \quad \phi_n = 1/n$$

for  $p_n = 1$  (in this case, the operator  $N_n$  coincides with the  $n$ th Cesaro mean operator (of order 1)).

$$(ii) \quad \lambda(n; k) = \frac{(n - k)(n - k + 1)}{n(n + 1)}, \quad \phi_n = \frac{2}{n + 1}$$

for  $p_n = n$ .

$$(iii) \quad \lambda(n; k) = \frac{(n - k)(n - k + 1)(n - k + 2)}{n(n + 1)(n + 2)}, \quad \phi_n = \frac{3}{n + 2}$$

for  $p_n = n(n + 1)$ .

$$(iv) \quad \lambda(n; k) = \frac{(n - k)(n - k + 1)\{2(n - k) + 1\}}{n(n + 1)(2n + 1)},$$

$$\phi_n = \frac{6n}{(n + 1)(2n + 1)}$$

for  $p_n = n^2$ .

$$(v) \quad \lambda(n; k) = \left\{ \frac{(n-k)(n-k+1)}{n(n+1)} \right\}^2, \quad \phi_n = \frac{4n}{(n+1)^2}$$

for  $p_n = n^3$ .

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