

# On Monosplines with Nonnegative Coefficients

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In this paper we establish some inequalities for monosplines and apply them to best quadrature formulas for certain classes of functions with a nonsymmetric norm.

## 1

Let  $w(t)$  be an integrable function on  $[0, 1]$  such that

$$\text{meas } E(w \leq 0) = 0, \tag{1}$$

let  $r \geq 1$  be an integer and let  $A, B$  be given subsets (possibly empty) of  $Z_r = \{0, \dots, r-1\}$ .

$M_N^r(A, B)$  denotes the set of monosplines

$$M(x) = w_r(x) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} a_{ij} (x - x_i)_+^{r-1-j} + \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} b_k x^k, \tag{2}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} \text{sgn } |a_{ij}| \leq N$$

which satisfy the boundary conditions

$$M^{(i)}(0) = 0 \quad (i \in A), \quad M^{(j)}(1) = 0 \quad (j \in B), \tag{3}$$

where

$$w_r(x) = \int_0^1 w(t) (x-t)_+^{r-1} dt, \quad u_+^m = \begin{cases} u^m, & u > 0 \\ 0, & u \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

Also, let

$$M_N^{r,0}(A, B) := M_N^r(A, B) \cap C^{r-2}[0, 1].$$

The monosplines  $M \in M_N^{r0}(A, B)$  have the form

$$M(x) = w_r(x) - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i(x - x_i)_+^{r-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} b_k x^k. \tag{4}$$

Finally, let  $M_N^{r+}(A, B)$  denote the set of all monosplines  $M \in M_N^{r0}(A, B)$  which have nonnegative coefficients  $a_i$  ( $i = 1 : N$ ) in the representation (4).

Let  $M_N^r, M_N^{r0}, M_N^{r+}$  be the corresponding sets of 1-periodic monosplines. They have the representation

$$M(x) = w_r(x) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} a_{ij} D_{r-j}(x - x_i) + a_0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^n a_{i0} = \int_0^1 w(t) dt, \tag{5}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} \text{sgn } |a_{ij}| \leq N,$$

where  $x_1 < \dots < x_n < x_1 + 1$ ,

$$w_r(x) = \int_0^1 w(t) D_r(x - t) dt,$$

$$D_m(u) = (m - 1)! / (2^{m-1} \pi^m) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-m} \cos(2\pi k u - \pi m / 2)$$

(in this case  $w(t)$  is a 1-periodic function). If  $M \in M_N^{r0}$  then

$$M(x) = w_r(x) - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i D_r(x - x_i) + a_0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^N a_i = \int_0^1 w(t) dt. \tag{6}$$

The monosplines  $M \in M_N^{r+}$  have nonnegative coefficients  $a_i$  ( $i = 1 : N$ ) in representation (6). We deduce from (2) and (5) that

$$M^{(r)}(x) = (r - 1)! w(x) \text{ almost everywhere on } [0, 1], \tag{7}$$

$$a_{ij} = (M^{(r-1-j)}(x_i - 0) - M^{(r-1-j)}(x_i + 0)) / (r - 1 - j)! \tag{8}$$

( $i = 1 : n; j = 0 : r - 1$ ).

In view of (3), (7), (1) we have

$$\nu(M) \leq 2N + r - |A| - |B| =: \nu \quad \forall M \in M_N^r(A, B),$$

$$\nu(M) \leq 2N \quad \forall M \in M_N^r,$$

where  $\nu(f)$  is the number of zeros of  $f$  on  $(0, 1)$  (or on the period) counting multiplicities (see, e.g., [1]), and  $|G|$  is the number of elements of set  $G$ . If  $M \in M_N^{r0}(A, B)$  ( $M \in M_N^{r0}$ ) satisfies  $\nu(M) = \nu$  ( $\nu(M) = 2N$ ) then in view of (8)  $M \in M_N^{r+}(A, B)$  ( $M \in M_N^{r+}$ ).

By  $\mu(f)$  we denote the number of sign changes of  $f$  on  $[0, 1]$  (or on the period). For monosplines we have

$$\mu(M) \leq v \quad \forall M \in M_N^r(A, B), \quad \mu(M) \leq 2N \quad \forall M \in M_N^r.$$

LEMMA. Let  $U(x)$  and  $V(x)$  be two splines

$$U(x) = \int_0^x u(t) dt - \sum_{i=1}^m a_i (x - x_i)_+^0 + a_0,$$

$$V(x) = \int_0^x v(t) dt - \sum_{i=1}^n b_i (x - y_i)_+^0 + b_0,$$

where  $u$  and  $v$  are an integrable on  $[0, 1]$  functions and

$$\text{meas } E(u < v) = 0. \quad (9)$$

Then the difference  $s(x) = U(x) - V(x)$  has at most  $2n_i + 1$  sign changes on  $(x_{i-1}, x_i)$  ( $i = 1 : m + 1$ ;  $x_0 = 0, x_{m+1} = 1$ ), where  $n_i$  is the number of points  $y_j \in (x_{i-1}, x_i)$  such that the corresponding coefficients  $b_j$  are negative ( $0 \leq n_i \leq n$ ). If  $s(x)$  has  $2n_i + 1$  sign changes on  $(x_{i-1}, x_i)$  then  $s(x_{i-1} + 0) < 0, s(x_i - 0) > 0$ .

*Proof.* In view of (9) the difference  $s(x)$  increases on each interval which does not contain the points  $x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n$ . Hence,  $s(x)$  can change sign on this interval from "minus" to "plus." At the points  $y_j \in (x_{i-1}, x_i)$  for which the corresponding coefficients  $b_j$  are negative the function  $s(x)$  can change the sign from "plus" to "minus" also, because

$$s(y_j - 0) - s(y_j + 0) = b_j \geq 0.$$

Thus,  $s(x)$  can change sign from "plus" to "minus" on  $(x_{i-1}, x_i)$  at most  $n_i$  times and the lemma is proved. ■

COROLLARY. Let  $M_0 \in M_N^{r+}(A, B)$  and  $c \in [0, 1]$  be fixed. Then for every  $M \in M_N^r(A, B)$

$$\mu(M^{(r-1)} - cM_0^{(r-1)}) \leq 2N + 1 - A_{r-1} - B_{r-1}, \quad (10)$$

where

$$A_{r-1} = \begin{cases} 1, & r-1 \in A \\ 0, & r-1 \notin A, \end{cases} \quad B_{r-1} = \begin{cases} 1, & r-1 \in B \\ 0, & r-1 \notin B. \end{cases}$$

For  $M_0 \in M_N^{r+}$  and  $M \in M_N^r$  we have

$$\mu(M^{(r-1)} - cM_0^{(r-1)}) \leq 2N. \quad (11)$$

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**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $M \in M_N^{r_0}(A, B)$  and  $v(M) = v$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} |M^{(k)}(0)| &\leq |M_0^{(k)}(0)| \|M\| / \|M_0\| \\ |M^{(k)}(1)| &\leq |M_0^{(k)}(1)| \|M\| / \|M_0\| \quad (k = 0 : r - 1), \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

where  $M_0$  is the monospline of minimal  $L_\infty$ -norm in  $M_N^r(A, B)$  ( $M_0 \in M_N^{r_0}(A, B)$ , see, e.g., [1]),  $\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_\infty$ .

*Proof.* Since  $v(M) = v$ ,  $M \in M_N^{r_0}(A, B)$  and

$$\operatorname{sgn} M^{(k)}(0) = \operatorname{sgn} M_0^{(k)}(0), \quad \operatorname{sgn} M^{(k)}(1) = \operatorname{sgn} M_0^{(k)}(1) \quad (k = 0 : r - 1).$$

If  $|M^{(k)}(0)| \leq |M_0^{(k)}(0)|$  then the inequality (12) holds, because

$$\|M_0\| \leq \|M\| \quad \forall M \in M_N^r(A, B).$$

Assume that there exists a monospline  $M \in M_N^{r_0}(A, B)$  such that  $v(M) = v$  and for fixed  $k$   $|M^{(k)}(0)| > |M_0^{(k)}(0)|$ ,

$$|M^{(k)}(0)| > |M_0^{(k)}(0)| \|M\| / \|M_0\|.$$

The monospline  $M_0$  has  $v + 1$  alternation points  $0 \leq z_1 < \dots < z_{v+1} \leq 1$  (see [1]).

$$|M_0(z_i)| = \|M_0\|, \quad M(z_i) \cdot M(z_{i+1}) < 0.$$

Hence the difference

$$s(x) = M_0(x) - c_k M(x), \quad c_k = M_0^{(k)}(0) / M^{(k)}(0), \quad c_k \in (0, 1)$$

has  $v$  sign changes on  $[0, 1]$ :  $\mu(s) \geq v$ . Thus,

$$\mu(s^{(k)}) \geq v - k + \alpha_k + \beta_k, \tag{13}$$

where  $\alpha_k(\beta_k)$  is the number of elements of  $A(B)$  which are less than  $k$ . Since  $s^{(k)}(0) = 0$  we have,

$$\mu(s^{(r-1)}) \geq 2N + 2 - A_{r-1} - B_{r-1}, \quad k < r - 1.$$

This inequality contradicts (10). If  $k = r - 1$  then  $A_{r-1} = 0$  and by the lemma  $\mu(s^{(r-1)}) \leq 2N - B_{r-1}$ . This inequality contradicts (13). Theorem 1 is proved. ■

The following result is valid for a periodic setting.

THEOREM 2. Let  $w(t) \equiv \text{const} \neq 0$ , then for every  $M \in M_N^{r+}$

$$\|M^{(k)}\| \leq \|M\| \|M_0^{(k)}\| / \|M_0\| \quad (k = 0 : r-1), \quad (14)$$

where  $M_0$  is the monospline with minimal  $L_\infty$ -norm in  $M_N^r$  ( $M_0 \in M_N^{r+}$ , see, e.g., [1, 2]).

*Remark.* The monospline  $M_0$  has the form

$$M_0(x) = N^{-r}(-D_r(Nx) + c_r),$$

where  $c_r$  is the constant of the best uniform approximation of  $D_r(x)$ ,

$$\|D_r - c_r\| = \inf \|D_r - c\| =: K_r.$$

The inequality (14) can be rewritten in the form

$$\|M^{(k)}\| \leq N^k \|D_{r-k}\| \cdot \|M\| / K_r \quad (k = 1 : r-1).$$

*Proof.* The monospline  $M_0$  has  $2N$  alternation points  $z_1 < \dots < z_{2N} < z_1 + 1$ . If  $\|M^{(k)}\| < \|M_0^{(k)}\|$  ( $1 \leq k \leq r-1$ ) then the inequality (14) holds because  $\|M_0\| < \|M\|$ .

Let  $M(x)$  be a monospline in  $M_N^{r+}$  such that for fixed  $k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq r-1$ )

$$\|M^{(k)}\| > \|M_0^{(k)}\| \quad (15)$$

and

$$\|M^{(k)}\| > \|M_0^{(k)}\| \cdot \|M\| / \|M_0\|. \quad (16)$$

Let  $z_0$  be an extremal point of  $M^{(k)}$ ,

$$\|M^{(k)}\| = |M^{(k)}(z_0 - 0)| \quad \text{or} \quad \|M^{(k)}\| = |M^{(k)}(z_0 + 0)|.$$

We assume for concreteness that

$$\|M^{(k)}\| = |M^{(k)}(z_0 - 0)|.$$

There exists a point  $u$  such that

$$|M_0^{(k)}(z_0 + u)| = \max_x (M_0^{(k)}(x) \cdot \text{sgn } M^{(k)}(z_0 - 0)). \quad (17)$$

The difference

$$s(x) = M_0(x + u) - c_k M(x), \quad c_k = |M_0^{(k)}(z_0 + u)| / \|M^{(k)}\|,$$

has  $2N$  sign changes on the period

$$\text{sgn } s(z_i - u) = \text{sgn } M_0(z_i) \quad (i = 1 : 2N)$$

because in view of (16)

$$\begin{aligned} |M_0(z_i)| &= \|M_0\| > \|M\| \cdot \|M_0^{(k)}\| / \|M^{(k)}\| \\ &\geq |M(z_i - u)| |M_0^{(k)}(z_0 + u)| / \|M^{(k)}\|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\mu(s^{(k)}) \geq 2N$ . From (17) we obtain

$$s^{(k)}(z_0) = 0$$

and

$$s^{(k+1)}(z_0) = 0 \quad (\text{if } k < r - 2).$$

Thus, for  $k < r - 2$

$$\mu(s^{(r-1)}) \geq 2N + 1. \quad (18)$$

On the other hand, in view of (15),  $c_k \in (0, 1)$ , inequality (18) contradicts (11).

Let  $k = r - 1$ . In this case  $z_0$  is the node of  $M$ ,  $z_0 + u$  is the node of  $M_0$ . The function  $s^{(r-1)}$  can change sign at the point  $z_0$  from "minus" to "plus" only. Hence, by the lemma  $\mu(s^{(r-1)}) \leq 2N - 1$ . But  $\mu(s) \geq 2N$  and  $\mu(s^{(r-1)}) \geq 2N$ .

Let  $k = r - 2$ . If  $z_0$  is a node of  $M$ , then  $M^{(r-2)}(z_0) > 0$  because  $M \in M_N^{r+}$  and  $M^{(r-1)}(x)$  can change sign from "plus" to "minus." Hence,  $z_0 + u$  is a node of  $M_0$ . In this case if the derivative  $s^{(r-2)}$  changes sign at the point  $z_0$  then  $s^{(r-1)}$  does not change sign at this point. By the lemma  $\mu(s^{(r-1)}) \leq 2N - 1$ . But on the other hand  $\mu(s^{(r-1)}) \geq 2N$ . If  $s^{(r-2)}$  does not change sign at the point  $z_0$  then  $v(s^{(r-2)}) \geq 2N + 1$  and  $\mu(s^{(r-1)}) \geq 2N + 1$ . This inequality contradicts (11).

If  $z_0$  does not coincide with the nodes of  $M$  then  $M^{(r-2)}(z_0) < 0$ .  $M^{(r-1)}(z_0) = 0$  and  $M_0^{(r-2)}(z_0 + u) < 0$ ,  $M^{(r-2)}(z_0 + u) = 0$ . Hence,  $s^{(r-1)}(z_0) = 0$  and  $s^{(r-2)}$  does not change sign at the point  $z_0$ . Thus,  $v(s^{(r-2)}) \geq 2N + 1$  and  $\mu(s^{(r-1)}) \geq 2N + 1$ . This inequality contradicts (11). Theorem 2 is proved. ■

### 3

In [3] it was proved that for every  $M \in M_N^r(A, B)$  ( $M \in M_N^r$ ) there exists a monospline  $M_0 \in M_N^{r0}(A, B)$  ( $M_0 \in M_N^{r0}$ ) such that  $|M_0(x)| \leq |M(x)|$  for every  $x \in [0, 1]$ . From the proof of this inequality it follows that the monospline has nonnegative coefficients  $a_i$  in the representation (4) (or (6)) and the same sign as  $M$ :  $M_0(x) \cdot M(x) \geq 0$ . Thus the following theorem holds.

**THEOREM 3.** For every  $M \in M'_N(A, B)$  ( $M \in M'_N$ ) there exists a monospline  $M_0 \in M'^+_N(A, B)$  ( $M_0 \in M'^+_N$ ) such that

$$|M_0(x)| \leq |M(x)|, \quad M_0(x) \cdot M(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x.$$

Now we apply this theorem to the theory of the best quadrature formulas. We consider the following classes of functions having  $r - 1$  absolute continuous derivatives on  $[0, 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} W^r(u) &= \{f: \text{meas } E(|f^{(r)}| > u) = 0\}, \\ W^r_p(u, v) &= \{f: \|uf^{(r)}_+ + vf^{(r)}_-\|_p \leq 1\}, \\ W^r_{p,q}(u, v) &= \{f: \|uf^{(r)}_+\|_p + \|vf^{(r)}_-\|_p \leq 1\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $u$  and  $v$  are fixed positive integrable functions on  $[0, 1]$  such that  $1/u$  and  $1/v$  are integrable. In addition we define,

$$g_+(x) = \max(g(x); 0), \quad g_-(x) = \max(-g(x); 0).$$

$\tilde{W}^r(u)$ ,  $\tilde{W}^r_p(u, v)$ ,  $\tilde{W}^r_{p,q}(u, v)$  are the corresponding classes of 1-periodic functions.

**THEOREM 4.** Among all quadrature formulas,

$$\int_0^1 w(t) f(t) dt = Q_N(f) + \sum_{k \in A} b_k f^{(k)}(0) + \sum_{m \in B} c_m f^{(m)}(1) + R(f), \quad (19)$$

where  $w$  is a fixed integrable function,  $\text{meas } E(w \leq 0) = 0$ ,  $A$  and  $B$  are fixed subsets of  $Z_r$  (if  $A = \emptyset$  or  $B = \emptyset$  then the corresponding sum equals zero),

$$Q_N(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} a_{ij} f^{(j)}(x_i), \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} \text{sgn } |a_{ij}| \leq N,$$

$0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n < 1$ , the best formula exists for the class  $W^r(u)$  ( $W^r_p(u, v)$ ,  $W^r_{p,q}(u, v)$ ) and has the form

$$\int_0^1 w(t) f(t) dt = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i f(x_i) + \sum_{k \in A} b_k f^{(k)}(0) + \sum_{m \in B} c_m f^{(m)}(1) + R(f),$$

and  $a_i > 0$  ( $i = 1 : N$ ),  $(-1)^{k+\alpha_k} b_k > 0$  ( $k \in A$ ),  $(-1)^{\beta_m} c_m > 0$  ( $m \in B$ ) where  $\alpha_k(\beta_k)$  is the number of elements of  $A(B)$  that are less than  $k$ .

**THEOREM 5.** Among all quadrature formulas on a periodic setting,

$$\int_0^1 w(t) f(t) dt = Q_N(f) + R(f), \quad (20)$$

the best formula exists for the class  $\tilde{W}^r(u)$ ,  $(\tilde{W}_p^r(u, v), \tilde{W}_{p,q}^r(u, v))$  and has the form

$$\int_0^1 w(t) f(t) dt = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i f(x_i) + R(f), \quad \sum_{i=1}^N a_i = \int_0^1 w(t) dt,$$

$a_i > 0$  ( $i = 1 : N$ ).

*Proof.* Let us prove Theorem 4 for the class  $W_p^r(u, v)$ . The proofs of other results are similar.

It is known (see, e.g., [1, 4]) that the error  $R$  of the best quadrature formula has the representation

$$R(f) = ((-1)^r / (r-1)!) \int_0^1 f^{(r)}(t) M(t) dt, \tag{21}$$

where  $M \in M_N^r(A^1, B^1)$ ,  $A^1 = \{i: r-1-i \in Z_r \setminus A\}$ ,  $B^1 = \{i: r-1-i \in Z_r \setminus B\}$ . The theorem follows from the following equality:

$$\begin{aligned} R(W_p^r(u, v)) &:= \sup_{f \in W_p^r(u, v)} |R(f)| \\ &= (1/(r-1)!) \max(\|u^{-1}M_+ + v^{-1}M_-\|_{p'}; \\ &\quad \|v^{-1}M_+ + u^{-1}M_-\|_{p'}) =: \|M\|_{u, v, p'} / (r-1)!, \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

$p' = p/(p-1)$  because in view of Theorem 3

$$\inf_{Q_N, b_k, c_m} (r-1)! R(W_p^r(u, v)) = \inf_{M \in M_N^r(A^1, B^1)} \|M\|_{u, v, p'} = \|\bar{M}\|_{u, v, p'},$$

where  $\bar{M} \in M_N^{r+}(A^1, B^1)$ .

Now we establish the equality (22). Starting from (21) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (r-1)! |R(f)| &= \left| \int_0^1 (f_+(t) M_+(t) + f_-(t) M_-(t)) dt \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_0^1 (f_-(t) M_+(t) + f_+(t) M_-(t)) dt \right| \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \int_0^1 (f_+ M_+ + f_- M_-) dt; \right. \\ &\quad \left. \int_0^1 (f_- M_+ + f_+ M_-) dt \right\}, \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 (f_+ M_+ + f_- M_-) dt &\leq \int_0^1 (uf_+ + vf_-)(u^{-1}M_+ + v^{-1}M_-) dt \\ &\leq \|u^{-1}M_+ + v^{-1}M_-\|_{p'}, \\ \int_0^1 (f_- M_+ + f_+ M_-) dt &\leq \int_0^1 (uf_+ + vf_-)(u^{-1}M_- + v^{-1}M_+) dt \\ &\leq \|v^{-1}M_+ + u^{-1}M_-\|_{p'}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$(r-1)! R(W_p^r(u, v)) \leq \|M\|_{u, v, p'}.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$R(f_1) = \|u^{-1}M_+ + v^{-1}M_-\|_{p'}, \quad R(f_2) = \|v^{-1}M_+ + u^{-1}M_-\|_{p'},$$

where  $f_1, f_2 \in W_p^r(u, v)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f_1^{(r)}(x) &= (u^{-p'}(x) M_+^{p'-1}(x) - v^{-p'}(x) M_-^{p'-1}(x)) / \|u^{-1}M_+ + v^{-1}M_-\|_{p'}^{p'/p}, \\ f_2^{(r)}(x) &= (u^{-p'}(x) M_-^{p'-1}(x) - v^{-p'}(x) M_+^{p'-1}(x)) / \|v^{-1}M_+ + u^{-1}M_-\|_{p'}^{p'/p}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(r-1)! R(W_p^r(u, v)) \geq \max(R(f_1), R(f_2)) = \|M\|_{u, v, p'}.$$

For the class  $W_{p,q}^r(u, v)$  we have the following expression for error  $R$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (r-1)! R(W_{p,q}^r(u, v)) &= \max(\|u^{-1}M_+\|_{p'}; \|u^{-1}M_-\|_{p'}; \\ &\quad \|v^{-1}M_+\|_{q'}, \|v^{-1}M_-\|_{q'}) \\ &=: \|M\|_{u, v, p', q'} \quad (p' = p/(p-1), q' = q/(q-1), \\ \inf_{Q_N, b_k, c_m} (r-1)! R(W_{p,q}^r(u, v)) &= \inf_{M \in M_N^r(A^1, B^1)} \|M\|_{u, v, p', q'} \\ &= \|M_0\|_{u, v, p', q'}, \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

where  $M_0 \in M_N^{r+}(A', B')$ .

#### 4

Let  $u(x)$  and  $v(x)$  be two positive continuous functions on  $[0, 1]$ . By the theorem on snakes for monosplines (see [3, 5]) there is a unique monospline  $\bar{M} \in M_N^0(A, B)$  and a positive constant  $c$  such that

$$-v(x) \leq c\bar{M}(x) \leq u(x) \tag{24}$$

and there exist  $\alpha := 2N + r + 1 - |A| - |B|$  points

$$0 \leq z_1 < \dots < z_\alpha \leq 1$$

at which

$$c\bar{M}(z_i) = -v(z_i) \text{ (} i \text{ odd)}, \quad c\bar{M}(z_i) = u(z_i) \text{ (} i \text{ even)}. \tag{25}$$

For an arbitrary monospline  $M \in M_N^{r_0}(A, B)$  ( $M \neq \bar{M}$ )

$$\|M\|_{u,v} > \|\bar{M}\|_{u,v} = 1/c \quad (\|f\|_{u,v} = \|u^{-1}f_+ + v^{-1}f_-\|_\infty). \tag{26}$$

Indeed, if there exists a monospline  $M \in M_N^{r_0}(A, B)$  such that

$$\|M\|_{u,v} \leq \|\bar{M}\|_{u,v},$$

then in view of (24) and (25)  $v(x) \geq \alpha - 1$ ,  $s = \bar{M} - M$ . But  $s$  is spline of  $r - 1$  order with at most  $2N$  nodes and with minimal defect and  $s^{(i)}(0) = 0$  ( $i \in A$ ),  $s^{(j)}(1) = 0$  ( $j \in B$ ). Hence,  $v(s) \leq \alpha - 2$ . This contradiction proves (26). Thus, in view of Theorem 3 we have proved the following result.

**THEOREM 6.** *Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two positive continuous functions on  $[0, 1]$ . There exists a unique monospline  $\bar{M}$  with minimal  $(u, v)$ -norm in  $M_N^r(A, B)$ ,  $\bar{M} \in M_N^{r_+}(A, B)$ . The monospline  $\bar{M}$  has minimal  $(u, v)$ -norm if and only if the function  $u^{-1}\bar{M}_+ + v^{-1}\bar{M}_-$  has  $2N + r + 1 - |A| - |B|$  alternation points on  $[0, 1]$ .*

In view of (22) and (23) the following theorem holds.

**THEOREM 7.** *Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two positive continuous functions on  $[0, 1]$ . Let  $M_1$  be the monospline with minimal  $(u, v)$ -norm ( $(u, u)$ -norm) in  $M_N^r(A^1, B^1)$  and  $M_2$  be the monospline with minimal  $(v, u)$ -norm ( $(v, v)$ -norm). If  $\|M_1\|_{u,v} = \|M_2\|_{v,u}$  ( $\|M_1\|_{u,u} = \|M_2\|_{v,v}$ ) then there exist exactly two best quadrature formulas of the form (19) for the class  $W_1^r(u, v)$  ( $W_{1,1}^r(u, v)$ ). They are defined by the nodes and the coefficients of the monosplines  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  (see, e.g., [1, 4]). If  $\|M_1\|_{u,v} \neq \|M_2\|_{v,u}$  ( $\|M_1\|_{u,u} \neq \|M_2\|_{v,v}$ ) then this formula is unique and defined by the monospline having bigger norm.*

In a similar way the following theorem can be proved.

**THEOREM 8.** *Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two positive 1-periodic continuous functions. There exists a unique monospline  $M_\xi$  with minimal  $(u, v)$ -norm in  $M_N^r(\xi)$ ,  $M_\xi \in M_N^{r_+}(\xi)$ , where  $M_N^r(\xi)$  and  $M_N^{r_+}(\xi)$  are the sets of monosplines from  $M_N^r$  and  $M_N^{r_+}$  which have one fixed node at the point  $\xi$ . The monospline  $M$  has minimal  $(u, v)$ -norm in  $M_N^r(\xi)$  if and only if the function  $u^{-1}M_+ + v^{-1}M_-$  has  $2N$  alternation points on the period.*

**THEOREM 9.** *Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two positive 1-periodic continuous functions and  $\xi$  be a fixed point.  $M_1$  denotes the monospline with minimal  $(u, v)$ -norm  $((u, u)$ -norm) in  $M_N^r(\xi)$  and  $M_2$  denotes the monospline with minimal  $(v, u)$ -norm  $(v, v)$ -norm). If  $\|M_1\|_{u,v} = \|M_2\|_{v,u}$  then there exist exactly two best quadrature formulas for the class  $\tilde{W}_1^r(u, v)$  ( $\tilde{W}_{1,1}^r(u, v)$ ) of form (20) with fixed node  $x_1$  at the point  $\xi$ . They are defined by the nodes and the coefficients of the monosplines  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ . If  $\|M_1\|_{u,v} \neq \|M_2\|_{v,u}$  ( $\|M_1\|_{u,u} \neq \|M_2\|_{v,v}$ ) then this formula is unique and is defined by the monospline having bigger norm.*

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