

## Uniform Approximation by the Combinations of Ismail-May Operators\*

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### 1. Introduction

In 1976, C.P. May [1] introduced the exponential-type operators  $L_n(f; x)$ . For  $f \in C(A, B)$

$$L_n(f; x) = \int_A^B w(n, x, u) f(u) du,$$

where

$$w(n, x, u) \geq 0, \quad \int_A^B w(n, x, u) du = 1. \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial w(n, x, u)}{\partial x} = \frac{n}{\varphi^2(x)} w(n, x, u)(u - x),$$

and  $C(A, B)$  denotes the set of continuous and bounded functions defined on  $(A, B)$ ,  $(A, B)$  may be  $[0, 1]$ ,  $[0, \infty]$  or  $(-\infty, +\infty)$  etc.

In 1978, E.H. Ismail and C.P. May [2] pointed out that for  $\varphi^2(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ , there are only six essential exponential-type operators: Gauss-Weierstrass operator  $W_n(f; x)$ , Szasz-Mirakjan operator  $S_n(f; x)$ , Bernstein operator  $B_n(f; x)$ , Baskakov operator  $V_n(f; x)$ , Post-Widder operator  $P_n(f; x)$  and Ismail-May operator  $T_n(f; x)$ .

In 1988, V. Totik [3] studied the uniform approximation by all of the above operators. Recently, Z. Ditzian and V. Totik [4] investigated the uniform approximation by the combination of exponential-type operators:  $B_n(f; x)$ ,  $S_n(f; x)$ ,  $V_n(f; x)$  and  $P_n(f; x)$  and give the direct and inverse theorems and the characterization. In [5], we discussed the uniform approximation by the combination of  $W_n(f; x)$ . Here, we shall study the uniform approximation by the following combination of Ismail-May operator  $T_n(f; x)$ .

Let  $T_n(f; x)$  denote Ismail-May operator:

$$T_n(f; x) = \frac{2^{n-2} n}{\pi(n-1)!} (1+x^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{nu \arctan x} |\Gamma(n/2 + i\frac{nu}{2})|^2 f(u) du, \quad (2)$$

and  $T_{n,r}(f; x)$  denote a linear combination of  $T_n(f; x)$ :

$$T_{n,r}(f; x) = \sum_{i=0}^r C_i(n) T_{ni}(f; x). \quad (3)$$

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Where  $n_i$  and  $C_{i(n)}$  satisfy

$$\begin{cases} (a) & n = n_0 < n_1 < \dots < n_r \leq k_n, \\ (b) & \sum_{i=0}^r |C_i(n)| < C, \\ (c) & \sum_{i=0}^r C_i(n) = 1, \\ (d) & \sum_{i=0}^r C_i(n) n_i^{-p} = 0, \quad p = 1(1)r. \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

In this paper, we shall prove the following results:

**Theorem 1.1** For  $f \in C_{(-\infty, \infty)}$ , we have

$$\|T_{n,r}(f) - f\| \leq M [\omega_\varphi^{2r}(f; n^{-1/2}) + n^{-r} \|f\|], \quad (5)$$

$$K_{2r,\varphi}(f; n^{-r}) \leq \|T_{k,r}(f) - f\| + M(k/n)^r K_{2r,\varphi}(f, k^{-r}), \quad (6)$$

and for  $0 < \alpha < 2r$

$$\|T_{n,r}(f) - f\| = O(n^{-\alpha/2}) \iff \omega_\varphi^{2r}(f; h) = O(h^\alpha). \quad (7)$$

Where  $\|\cdot\| = \sup \|\cdot\|$ ,  $M$  denotes a constant independent of  $f$ ,  $n$  and  $x$ , (in what follows,  $M$  will always denote different constants).

$$\omega_\varphi^{2r}(f; t) = \sup_{0 < h \leq t} \|\Delta_\varphi^{2r} f(x)\|,$$

$$\varphi^2(x) = 1 + x^2,$$

and

$$\Delta_h^r f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^r (-1)^k f(x + \frac{hr}{2} - kh),$$

$K_{r,\varphi}(f, t)$  denotes the  $k$ -th functional

$$K_{r,\varphi}(f, t_r) = \inf_g \{\|f - g\| + t^r \|\varphi^r g^{(r)}\|\}, \quad (8)$$

where

$$g \in D = \{g \mid g \in C_{(-\infty, \infty)}, g^{(r-1)} \in \text{A.C. loc}, \|\varphi^r g^{(r)}\| < \infty\}.$$

## 2. Lemmas

To prove Theorem 1.1, we need some Lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1** For  $f \in C(R)$ ,

$$\|T_{n,r}(f)\| \leq M \|f\|. \quad (9)$$

**Proof** From the definition (3) and  $\|T_n(f; x)\| \leq 1$ , we have

$$\|T_{n,r}(f)\| \leq \sum_{i=0}^r |C_i(n)| \cdot |T_{hi}(f; x)| \leq \sum_{i=0}^r |C_i(n)| \|f\|.$$

By (4), (9) is trivial.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2** For  $f \in C(R)$

$$\|\varphi^{2r}T_n^{(2r)}(f; x)\| \leq Mn^r \|f\|. \quad (10)$$

**Proof** Let

$$W(n, x, u) = \frac{2^{n-2}n}{\pi(n-1)!}(1+x^2)^{-n/2} |\Gamma(n/2 + i\frac{nu}{2})|^2 e^{nu \arctan x}.$$

From (1), we have

$$\frac{\partial W(n, x, u)}{\partial x} = \varphi^{-2}W(n, x, u)[n(u-x)], \quad (11)$$

by derivating (12) and from (1), we have

$$\frac{\partial^2 W(n, x, u)}{\partial x^2} = (\varphi^{-2})^2 W(n, x, u) \{[n(u-x)]^2 - n(u-x)2\varphi\varphi' - n\varphi^2\}.$$

Since  $\varphi^2 = 1+x^2$ , then  $2\varphi\varphi' = 2x$ , therefore

$$\frac{\partial^2 W(n, x, u)}{\partial x^2} = (\varphi^{-2})^2 W(n, x, u) \{[n(u-x)]^2 - n(u-x)2x - n\varphi^2\}.$$

Generally, from (1) and by simple calculations, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^{2r} W(n, x, u)}{\partial x^{2r}} &= (\varphi^{-2})^{2r} [n(u-x)]^{2r} W(n, x, u) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} (\varphi^{-2})^{2r} Q_i(n, x)(u-x)^i W(n, x, u). \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Where  $Q_i(n, x)$  is a polynomial in  $n$  and  $x$  with constant coefficients, and satisfies

$$|(\varphi^{-2})^{2r} Q_i(n, x)| \leq C \left(\frac{n}{\varphi^2}\right)^{r+i/2}, \quad (13)$$

where  $C$  is a constant.

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi^{2r}T_n^{(2r)}(f; x)| &= \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^{2r} W(n, x, u)}{\partial x^{2r}} f(u) du \right| \\ &\leq \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{-2r} n^{2r} W(n, x, u) (u-x)^{2r} f(u) du \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \varphi^{-2r} Q_i(n, x) (u-x)^i W(n, x, u) f(u) du \right| \\ &\stackrel{\Delta}{=} I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $A_i(n, x) = n^i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W(n, x, u)(u - x)^i du$ . By [1], [4] we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_0 &= 1, \quad A_1 = 0, \quad A_{m+1}(u, x) = mn\varphi^2 A_{m-1}(n, x) + \varphi^2 \frac{d}{dx} A_m(n, x), \\ A_{2r}(n, x) &\leq C\varphi^{2r} n^r. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

So we get

$$|I_1| \leq \|f\| \|\varphi^{-2r} A_{2r}(n, x)\| \leq M \|f\| n^r. \tag{15}$$

Using (13), (14) and Cauchy-Schwartz inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |I_2| &\leq \|f\| \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \varphi^{2r} C \left( \frac{n}{\varphi^2} \right)^{r+i/2} \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W(n, x, u)(u - x)^{2i} du \right\}^{1/2} \\ &\leq \|f\| \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \varphi^{2r} C_1 \left( \frac{n}{\varphi^2} \right)^{r+i/2} n^{-i} n^{i/2} \varphi^i \leq M \|f\| n^r. \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

From (15), (16) (10) is trivial.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.3** For  $f^{(2r-1)} \in A.C. loc.$ ,

$$\|T_{n,r}(f) - f\| \leq Mn^{-r} (\|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}\| + \|f\|). \tag{17}$$

**Proof** Expanding  $f(u)$  by Taylor's formula:

$$f(u) = \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} (u - x)^i + R_{2r}(f, u, x),$$

where  $R_{2r}(f, u, x) = \int_x^u \frac{f^{(2r)}(t)}{(2r)!} (u - t)^{(2r-1)} dt$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} |T_{n,r}(f) - f| &\leq \left| \sum_{i=1}^{2r-1} \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} T_{n,r}((u - x)^i; x) \right| \\ &\quad + |T_{n,r}(R_{2r}(f, u, x); x)| \stackrel{\Delta}{=} J_1 + J_2. \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

Using (13), and by a simple calculation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |J_2| &\leq M \|\varphi^{2r}(x) f^{(2r)}(x)\| \|\varphi^{(-2r)}(x) \sum_{j=0}^r |C_j(n)| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W(n, x, u)(u - x)^{2r} du\| \\ &= M \|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}(x)\| \|\varphi^{(-2r)}(x) \sum_{j=0}^r |C_j(n)| n^{-2r} A_{2r}(n, x)\| \\ &\leq M \|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}(x)\| \|\varphi^{(-2r)} n^{-r} \varphi^{2r}\| = M \|\varphi^{2r}(x) f^{(2r)}(x)\| n^{-r}, \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

by [1],  $A_i(n, x)$  is a polynomial in  $n$  of degree  $[i/2]$  and in  $x$  of degree  $i$ , therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} |J_1| &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} \sum_{j=0}^r C_j(n) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W(n, x, u)(u-x)^i du \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} \sum_{j=0}^r C_j(n) C_i(x) n^{-i+[i/2]} \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} C_i(x) \sum_{j=0}^r C_j(n) n^{-i+[i/2]} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Using (4) (a), for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 2r-1$ , we have  $\sum_{j=0}^r C_j(n) n^{-i+[i/2]} = 0$ , then

$$J_1 = 0. \quad (20)$$

From (18)–(20), we can obtain

$$\|T_{n,r}(f) - f\| \leq Mn^{-r} \|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}\| \leq Mn^{-r} (\|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}\| + \|f\|).$$

**Lemma 2.4** For  $f^{(2r-1)} \in A.C. loc.$ ,

$$\|\varphi^{2r} T_n^{(2r)}(f)\| \leq M \|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}\|. \quad (21)$$

**Proof** Using Taylor's expansion, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi^{2r} T_n^{(2r)}(f)| &\leq |\varphi^{2r}(x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \frac{\partial^{2r}}{\partial x^{2r}} W(n, x, u) \frac{f^{(i)}(x)}{i!} (u-x)^i du| \\ &\quad + \|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}\| \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\partial^{2r}}{\partial x^{2r}} \right| W(n, x, u) (u-x)^{2r} du \right| \\ &\triangleq K_1 + K_2. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

By [1], we have  $K_1 = 0$ . Using (13)

$$\begin{aligned} |K_2| &\leq M \|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}\| \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\partial^{2r}}{\partial x^{2r}} \right| W(n, x, u) (u-x)^{2r} du \right| \\ &\leq M \|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}\| \left\{ \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\varphi^{-2})^{2r} n^{2r} (u-x)^{4r} W(n, x, u) du \right| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \left| (\varphi^{-2})^{2r} Q_i(n, x) W(n, x, u) (u-x)^{2r+i} \right| du \right| \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\varphi^{-2})^{2r} n^{2r} (u-x)^{4r} W(n, x, u) du &= \varphi^{-4r} n^{-2r} A_{4r}(n, x) \\ &\leq M \varphi^{-4r} n^{-2r} n^{2r} \varphi^{4r} = M. \end{aligned}$$

Using ( 13 ) and Cauchy-Schwartz inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} |(\varphi^{-2})^{2r} Q_i(n, x) W(n, x, u)(u-x)^{2r+i}| du \right| \\
& \leq M \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W(n, x, u)(u-x)^{4r+2i} du \right)^{1/2} (n/\varphi^2)^{r+i/2} \\
& \leq M \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} (n/\varphi^2)^{r+i/2} n^{-(2r+i)} n^{(2r+i)/2} \varphi^{2r+i} \leq M.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $|K_2| \leq M \|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}\|$  and  $\|\varphi^{2r} T_n^{(2r)}(f)\| \leq |K_1| + |K_2| \leq M \|\varphi^{2r} f^{(2r)}\|$ .

### 3. The proof of Theorem 1.1

Let  $D$  be a weighted Sobolev space

$$D = \{g \mid g \in C_{(R)}, g^{(2r-1)} \in \text{A.C. loc , } |\varphi^{2r} g^{(2r)}| < \infty\}.$$

for a  $g \in D$ . Then we have

$$\|T_{n,r}(f) - f\| \leq \|T_{n,r}((f-g); x)\| + \|f-g\| + \|T_{n,r}(g; x) - g\|.$$

By Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\|T_{n,r}((f-g); x)\| \leq \|f-g\|.$$

By Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\|T_{n,r}(g) - g\| \leq Mn^{-r} (\|\varphi^{2r} g^{(2r)}\| + \|g\|).$$

Therefore

$$\|T_{n,r}(f) - f\| \leq 2\|f-g\| + Mn^{-r} \|\varphi^{2r} g^{(2r)}\| + Mn^{-r} \|f\|.$$

Take in  $f$  for  $g$  on two sides, we have

$$\|T_{n,f}(f) - f\| \leq MK_{2r,\varphi}(f; n^{-r}) + Mn^{-r} \|f\|.$$

By [4]

$$K_{2r,\varphi}(f; n^{-r}) \sim \omega_{\varphi}^{2r}(f; n^{-1/2}), \quad (23)$$

then ( 5 ) follows.

Write  $f = f - T_{k,r}(f) + T_{k,r}(f)$ , we have

$$K_{2r,\varphi}(f; n^{-1/2}) \leq \|f - T_{k,r}(f)\| + n^{-r} \|\varphi^{2r} T_{k,r}^{(2r)}(f)\|. \quad (24)$$

Since  $\|\varphi^{2r} T_{k,r}^{(2r)}(f)\| \leq \|\varphi^{2r} T_{k,r}^{(2r)}(f-g)\| + \|\varphi^{2r} T_{k,r}^{(2r)}(g)\|$ , where  $g \in D$ . By Lemma 2.2

$$\|\varphi^{2r} T_{k,r}^{(2r)}(f-g)\| \leq MK^r \|f-g\|.$$

By Lemma 2.4,

$$\| \varphi^{2r} T_{k,r}^{(2r)}(g) \| \leq M \| \varphi^{2r} g^{(2r)} \| . \quad (25)$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-r} \| \varphi^{2r} T_{k,r}^{(2r)}(f) \| &\leq M(k/n)^r \| f - g \| + M n^{-r} \| \varphi^{2r} g^{(2r)} \| \\ &\leq M(k/n)^r (\| f - g \| + K^{-r} \| \varphi^{2r} g^{(2r)} \|) . \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $\inf$  for  $g$  on two sides, we obtain

$$n^{-r} \| \varphi^{2r} T_{k,r}^{(2r)}(f) \| \leq M(k/n)^r K_{2r,\varphi}(f; K^{-r}),$$

from ( 24 ), we have

$$K_{2r,\varphi}(f, n^{-1/2}) \leq \| f - T_{k,r}(f) \| + M(k/n)^r K_{2r,\varphi}(f; K^{-r}).$$

This is ( 6 ).

Since

$$\| T_{k,r}(f) - f \| \leq \| T_{n,r}(f) - f \| + \| T_{n,r}(f) - T_{k,r}(f) \| , \quad (26)$$

using ( 5 ), we have

$$\| T_{n,r}(f) - T_{k,r}(f) \| \leq M \omega_\varphi^{2r}(T_{k,r}(f); n^{-1/2}) + M \| T_{k,r}(f) \| n^{-r},$$

by [4], we have  $\omega_\varphi^{2r}(T_{k,r}(f); n^{-1/2}) \leq M n^{-r}$ . by ( 10 ), we have  $\| T_{k,r}(f) \| \leq \| f \|$ . Therefore

$$\| T_{n,r}(f) - T_{k,r}(f) \| \leq M n^{-r} \| f \| . \quad (27)$$

To replace ( 27 ) to ( 26 ), we obtain

$$\| T_{k,r}(f) - f \| \leq \| T_{n,r}(f) - f \| + M \| f \| n^{-r}.$$

Using ( 6 ), we have

$$K_{2r,\varphi}(f; n^{-r}) \leq \| T_{n,r}(f) - f \| + M \| f \| n^{-r} + M(k/n)^r K_{2r,\varphi}(f; K^{-r}).$$

By the Berens-Lorentz Lemma [4] and ( 5 ), for  $0 < \alpha < 2r$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} K_{2r,\varphi}(f; n^{-r}) &\leq \| T_{n,r}(f) - f \| + M \| f \| n^{-r} \\ &\leq M \omega_\varphi^{2r}(f; n^{-\frac{1}{2}}) + M \| f \| n^{-r}, \end{aligned}$$

from ( 23 ), then

$$\| T_{n,r}(f) - f \| = O(n^{-\alpha/2}) \iff \omega_\varphi^{2r}(f; h) = O(h^\alpha).$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1.

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## 关于 Ismail—May 算子线性组合的一致逼近

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### 摘要

设  $T_n(f; x)$  表示如下的 Ismail—May 算子

$$T_n(f; x) = \frac{2^{n-2} n}{\pi(n-1)!} (1+x)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(n+1)u}{2}} |\Gamma(\frac{n}{2} + \frac{iu}{2})|^2 f(u) du.$$

它是一类指数型算子,其逼近阶不会超过  $O(\frac{1}{n})$ . 为提高它的逼近阶,在本文中,我们给出子  $T_n(f; x)$  的一类线性组合

$$T_{n,r}(f; x) = \sum_{i=0}^r C_i(n) T_{n-i}(f; x).$$

借助于  $K$ —泛函  $K_{2r,\varphi}(f; n^{-r})$  与光滑模  $w_\varphi^{2r}(f, h)$  之间的等价性,我们讨论了它在一致逼近意义下的正定理,逆定理和特征刻划问题,即有

**定理 1.1** 如  $f \in C_{B(-\infty, \infty)}$ , 则

$$\|T_{n,r}(f) - f\| \leq M(w_\varphi^{2r}(f; n^{\frac{1}{2}})) + \|f\| n^{-r},$$

$$K_{2r,\varphi}(f; n^{-r}) \leq \|T_{n,r}(f) - f\| + M(\frac{K}{n})^r K_{2r,\varphi}(f, K^{-r}).$$

当  $0 < \alpha < 2r$  ( $r > 1$ ) 时

$$\|T_{n,r}(f) - f\| = O(n^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}) \Leftrightarrow w_\varphi^{2r}(f, h) = O(h^\alpha).$$