

Approximation by Interpolating Polynomials in C_ω^p Spaces*

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Abstract In this paper we proved that for any function $f(x) \in C_\omega^p$, $1 < p < +\infty$, $\omega(x) = 1/\sqrt{1-x^2}$, there exists a series $\{\theta_n\}$ on $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi_1 < \theta < \varphi_2 < \frac{\pi}{2}$, such that the order of approximation by interpolating polynomials of $f(x)$ at interpolation points $\{\theta_n\}$ can be estimated by the best approximation in C_ω^p spaces.

1. Introduction

We denote by C_ω^p the class of real functions satisfying the condition:

$$\int_{-1}^1 |f(x)|^p \omega(x) dx < +\infty,$$

where $0 < p < +\infty$, $\omega(x) = 1/\sqrt{1-x^2}$.

For $f(x) \in C_\omega^p$, the norm of which is defined by

$$\|f\|_p = \left\{ \int_{-1}^1 |f(x)|^p \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx \right\}^{1/p} \quad (1)$$

Let $x_{n,k}(\theta)$, $1 \leq k \leq n+1$ be the roots of the equation:

$$\cos[(n+1)\arccos x] - \sin \theta = 0 \quad (2)$$

and $L_n(f; \theta_0; x)$ be the n -th Lagrange interpolation polynomial to $f(x)$ at $x_{n,k}(\theta)$, $1 \leq k \leq n+1$ (if $f[x_{n,k}(\theta_0)] = +\infty$ for some $\theta_0 \in [\varphi_1, \varphi_2]$, we suppose $L_n(f; \theta_0, x_{n,k}(\theta_0)) = +\infty$).

It is well known that for any fixed matrix of interpolation points there exists a continuous function, to which the interpolating polynomial doesn't converge uniformly. But in 1936 Erdős and Feldheim [1] proved the convergence in the mean of $L_n(f; 0, x)$ in C_ω^p spaces. Leter, Askey ([2], [3]), Navai [4] got some results about the L^p convergence of interpolating polynomials under various weights. But all these result have been obtained under the assumption that the interpolated functions are continuous.

If we weaken the condition on $f(z)$ as only require that $f(z), f(x) \in C_\omega^p$, there is no common matrix of interpolation points for all functions in C_ω^p , since functions in this class may not have definition at some points. However in this paper

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for each $f(x) \in C_a^p$ we still can construct a matrix of interpolation points through the parameter θ and prove the convergence of the Lagrange interpolating polynomials of $f(x)$ at these interpolation points in this space rapidly.

Our main result is the following theorem.

Theorem 1 Suppose $f(x) \in C_a^p$, $1 < p < +\infty$, $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi_1 < \theta < \varphi_2 < \frac{\pi}{2}$, then there exists a sequence $\{\theta_n\} \in [\varphi_1, \varphi_2]$ such that

$$\|L_n(f; \theta_n; x) - f(x)\|_p \leq C E_{n,p}(f) \quad (3)$$

where C is a constant only depending on p, φ_1, φ_2 , and

$$E_{n,p}(f) = \inf_{P_n \in \Pi_n} \|f(x) - P_n(x)\|_p$$

where the infimum is taken over all polynomials of degree at most n , which we denote by Π_n .

Here and after we denote by C, C_1, C_2, \dots the constant only depending on p, φ_1, φ_2 , no matter how large they are, and we always assume $1 < p < +\infty$, $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi_1 < \varphi_2 < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

2. Some discussion on complex analysis

Let D be the unit disk $|z| < 1$ in the complex plane.

Lemma 1 Suppose $\{z_j\}$, $1 \leq j \leq N$, are distinct points in D , and

$$\min_k \prod_{j \neq k}^N \left| \frac{z_k - z_j}{1 - \bar{z}_j z_k} \right| > \delta > 0, \quad (4)$$

Then for any complex numbers $\{a_k\}$, $1 \leq k \leq N$, there exists a function $g(z)$ analytic on \bar{D} such that

$$1^\circ. \quad g(z) = a_k, \quad 1 \leq k \leq N;$$

$$2^\circ. \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g(e^{it})|^p dt \leq C(p, \delta) \sum_{k=1}^N |a_k|^p (1 - |z_k|),$$

where $C(p, \delta)$ is a constant only depending on p and δ .

The proof of Lemma 1 can be found in [5].

In 1981 Мартыросян^[6] expresses the function $g(z)$ as follows:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N a_k ((1 - |z_k|^2)/(1 - \bar{z}_k z))^2 [F_k(z) B_k(z)] / [F_k(z_k) B_k(z_k)]$$

where

$$F_k(z) = \exp \left[- \sum_{j \neq k}^N (1 - |z_j|^2) (1 + \bar{z}_j z) / (1 - \bar{z}_j z) \right]$$

$$B_k(z) = \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq k}}^N (z - z_j) / (1 - \bar{z}_j z).$$

By using Lemma 1 we can prove the following Lemma 2.

Lemma 2 Suppose $\theta \in [\varphi_1, \varphi_2]$ and $\xi_{n,k}(\theta)$, $k = \pm 1, \dots, \pm(n+1)$, are all the

roots of the equation;

$$\operatorname{Re} \xi^{n+1} = \sin \theta$$

on $|\xi|=1$. Then for any polynomials $P_{2n+1}(z) \in \Pi_{2n+1}$, we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |P_{2n+1}(e^{it})|^p dt \leq \frac{C_1}{n+1} \sum_{0 < |k| \leq n+1} |P_{2n+1}(\xi_{n,k}(\theta))|^p. \quad (6)$$

The Marcinkiewicz-Zygmund inequality^[7] is a special case $\theta=0$ of this Lemma.

Proof Let $z_{n,k}(\theta)$, $k = \pm 1, \dots, \pm(n+1)$, be the roots of the equation;

$$\operatorname{Re} z^{n+1} - \rho_n \sin \theta = 0 \quad (7)$$

on $|z| = \rho_n$ where

$$\rho_n = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{n+1} \quad (8)$$

We can get

$$z_{n,k}(\theta) = \rho_n^{1/(n+1)} \exp\left(\frac{4k\pi + \pi - 2\theta}{2(n+1)}i\right) \quad (9)$$

$$z_{n,-k}(\theta) = \overline{z_{n,k}(\theta)}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq n+1. \quad (10)$$

Thus we can see that $z_{n,k}(\theta)$ are also the roots of the following equation;

$$\omega_{n,\theta}(z) = z^{2(n+1)} - 2\rho_n \sin \theta z^{n+1} + \rho_n^2 \quad (11)$$

For the sake of simplicity we use the notations $\omega_\theta(z)$, $z_k(\theta)$ and $\xi_k(\theta)$ to substitute $\omega_{n,\theta}(z)$, $z_{n,k}(\theta)$ and $\xi_{n,k}(\theta)$ respectively.

By calculating directly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{0 < |j| \leq (n+1)} \left| \frac{z - z_j(\theta)}{1 - \overline{z_j(\theta)}z} \right| &= \frac{|\omega_\theta(z)|}{|z|^{2n+2}} \prod_{0 < |j| \leq (n+1)} \frac{1}{|z^{-1} - z_j(\theta)|} \\ &= |\omega_\theta(z)| / (|z|^{2n+2} |\omega_\theta(z^{-1})|). \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$A_k(\theta) = \prod_{\substack{0 < |j| \leq (n+1) \\ j \neq k}} \left| \frac{z_k(\theta) - z_j(\theta)}{1 - \overline{z_j(\theta)}z_k(\theta)} \right|. \quad (12)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} A_k(\theta) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow z_k(\theta)} \left| \frac{1 - \overline{z_k(\theta)}z}{z - z_k(\theta)} \right| \prod_{0 < |j| \leq (n+1)} \left| \frac{z - z_j(\theta)}{1 - \overline{z_j(\theta)}z} \right| \\ &= \frac{1 - |z_k(\theta)|^2}{|z_k(\theta)|^{2n+2} |\omega_\theta(z_k(\theta)^{-1})|} |\omega'_\theta(z_k(\theta))|. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$1 - |z_k(\theta)|^2 = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^2 \quad (13)$$

$$|z_k(\theta)|^{2n+2} = \rho_n^2 \quad (14)$$

and in virtue of (11), we have

$$|\omega_\theta(z_k(\theta)^{-1})| \leq \rho_n^{-2} + 2|\sin\theta| + \rho_n^2. \quad (15)$$

It is obvious that

$$|\omega'_\theta(z_k(\theta))| = 2(n+1)|z_k(\theta)|^n |(z_k(\theta))^{n+1} - \rho_n \sin\theta|. \quad (16)$$

Because of $\operatorname{Re}[z_k(\theta)]^{n+1} = \rho_n \sin\theta$ we have

$$|[z_k(\theta)]^{n+1} - \rho_n \sin\theta| = |I_m[z_k(\theta)]^{n+1}| = \rho_n \cos\theta.$$

Consequently from (13), (14), (15) and (16) we get

$$A_k(\theta) \geq \frac{2[1 - (1 - \frac{1}{n+1})^2](n+1)\cos\theta}{\rho_n^{1/(n+1)}(\rho_n^{-2} + 2|\sin\theta| + \rho_n^2)}.$$

In virtue of $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi_1 \leq \theta \leq \varphi_2 < \frac{\pi}{2}$ we get

$$A_k(\theta) \geq C > 0. \quad (17)$$

For $P_{2n+1}(\xi) \in \Pi_{2n+1}$, let

$$P_{2n+1}(\xi_k(\theta)) = a_k(\theta) \quad (18)$$

and

$$Q_{2n+1}(z) = P_{2n+1}(\rho_n^{-[1/(n+1)]}z).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |P_{2n+1}(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p} &\leq \rho_n \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |Q_{2n+1}(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq 2e \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |Q_{2n+1}(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p}. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Besides we have

$$Q_{2n+1}(z_k(\theta)) = a_k(\theta), \quad 1 \leq |k| \leq n+1. \quad (20)$$

In virtue of Lemma 1 (see (17)) there exists a function $g_\theta(z)$ analytic on \overline{D} such that

$$g_\theta(z_k(\theta)) = a_k(\theta), \quad 1 \leq |k| \leq n+1 \quad (21)$$

and

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_\theta(e^{it})|^p dt \leq C_3 \sum_{0 < |k| \leq (n+1)} |a_k(\theta)|^p (1 - |z_k|) \leq \frac{C_4}{n+1} \sum_{0 < |k| \leq (n+1)} |a_k(\theta)|^p. \quad (22)$$

It is clear that $Q_{2n+1}(z)$ is the interpolating polynomial of $g_\theta(z)$ at $\{z_k(\theta)\}$, $1 \leq |k| \leq n+1$. Then we have

$$g_\theta(z) - Q_{2n+1}(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\xi|=1} \frac{\omega_\theta(z)}{\omega_\theta(\xi)} \frac{g_\theta(\xi)}{\xi - z} d\xi, \quad |z| < 1. \quad (23)$$

By the (p, p) property of Cauchy integral operator we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_\theta(e^{it}) - Q_{2n+1}(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq C_5 \sup_{|z|=1} |\omega_\theta(z)| \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| \frac{g_\theta(e^{it})}{\omega_\theta(e^{it})} \right|^p dt \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq C_5 \sup_{|z|=1} |\omega_\theta(z)| / \inf_{|\xi|=1} |\omega_\theta(\xi)| \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_\theta(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p}. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

In virtue of (11) we have

$$|\omega_\theta(z)| \leq |z|^{2n+2} + 2\rho_n |\sin \theta| |z|^{n+1} + \rho_n^2$$

$$\leq 1 + \rho_n + \rho_n^2, \quad |z| = 1, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi_1 \leq \theta \leq \varphi_2 < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

and

$$|\omega_\theta(\xi)|^{-1} \leq (|\xi|^{2n+2} - 2\rho_n |\sin \theta| |\xi|^{n+1} - \rho_n^2)^{-1}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{1 - 2\rho_n - \rho_n^2}, \quad |\xi| = 1, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi_1 \leq \theta \leq \varphi_2 < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Since when n tends to $+\infty$, we have $\rho_n \rightarrow e^{-1}$, then for sufficient large n

$$\frac{1}{1 - 2\rho_n - \rho_n^2} > \frac{1}{2(1 - 2e^{-1} - e^{-2})} > 0.$$

Hence

$$\sup_{|z|=1} |\omega_\theta(z)| / \inf_{|\xi|=1} |\omega_\theta(\xi)| \leq C_6.$$

Consequently in virtue of (24) we arrive

$$\left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_\theta(e^{it}) - Q_{2n+1}(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p} \leq C_5 C_6 \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_\theta(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p}.$$

Thus by (22) we get

$$\left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |Q_{2n+1}(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p} \leq C_7 \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_\theta(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p}$$

$$\leq C_8 \left\{ \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{0 < |k| < (n+1)} |a_k(\theta)|^p \right\}^{1/p}. \quad (25)$$

By (19), (25) and (18) at last we get

$$\left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |P_{2n+1}(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p} \leq 2e \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |Q_{2n+1}(e^{it})|^p dt \right\}^{1/p}$$

$$\leq C_9 \left\{ \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{0 < |k| < (n+1)} |a_k(\theta)|^p \right\}^{1/p} = C_9 \left\{ \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{0 < |k| < (n+1)} |P_{2n+1}(\xi_{n,k}(\theta))|^p \right\}^{1/p}$$

Thus we complete the proof of Lemma 2.

3. Proof of Theorem 1

By (2) we can get

$$\chi_{n,k}(\theta) = \cos \frac{4k\pi + \pi - 2\theta}{2(n+1)}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq n+1. \quad (26)$$

Also we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \xi_{n,k}(\theta) = \chi_{n,k}(\theta), \quad k = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm(n+1). \quad (27)$$

For $f(x) \in C_\omega^p$, we can verify

$$\|f\|_p = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(\cos t)|^p dt \right\}^{1/p}. \quad (28)$$

Since

$$L_n(f; \theta; \cos t) = L_n(f; \theta; \frac{1}{2}(z + z^{-1})), \quad z = e^{it} \quad (29)$$

are polynomials with respect to $z + z^{-1}$, the degree of which doesn't exceed n , we have

$$H_n(z) := z^n L_n(f; \theta; \frac{1}{2}(z + z^{-1})) \in \Pi_{2n}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} H_n(\xi_{n,k}(\theta)) &= [\xi_{n,k}(\theta)]^n L_n(f; \theta; \operatorname{Re} \xi_{n,k}(\theta)) \\ &= [\xi_{n,k}(\theta)]^n L_n(f; \theta; \chi_{n,k}(\theta)) \\ &= [\xi_{n,k}(\theta)]^n f(\chi_{n,k}(\theta)), \quad k = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm(n+1). \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2 we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |H_n(e^{it})|^p dt \leq \frac{C}{n+1} \sum_{0 < |j| \leq (n+1)} |f(\chi_{n,j}(\theta))|^p = \frac{2C}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} |f(\chi_{n,k}(\theta))|^p.$$

Since

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |L_n(f; \theta; \cos t)|^p dt = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |H_n(e^{it})|^p dt,$$

then

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |L_n(f; \theta; \cos t)|^p dt \leq \frac{2C}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} |f(\chi_{n,k}(\theta))|^p. \quad (30)$$

Let $P_n(x) \in \Pi_n$ be the best approximation polynomial, it means

$$\|f(x) - P_n(x)\|_p = E_{n,p}(f).$$

Since

$$L_n(P_n; \theta; x) = P_n(x),$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\|f(x) - L_n(f; \theta; x)\|_p \\ &= \|f(x) - P_n(x) + L_n(P_n - f; \theta; x)\|_p \leq E_{n,p}(f) + \|L_n(f - P_n; \theta; x)\|_p \\ &\leq E_{n,p}(f) + \left\{ \frac{2C}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n |f(\chi_{n,k}(\theta)) - P_n(\chi_{n,k}(\theta))|^p \right\}^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{ \int_{\varphi_1}^{\varphi_2} \|f(x) - L_n(f; \theta; x)\|_p^p d\theta \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq \pi E_{n,p}(f) + \left\{ \frac{2C}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \int_{\varphi_1}^{\varphi_2} |f(\chi_{n,k}(\theta)) - P_n(\chi_{n,k}(\theta))|^p d\theta \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq \pi E_{n,p}(f) + \left\{ \frac{2C}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \int_{\varphi_1}^{\varphi_2} \left| f\left(\cos \frac{4k\pi + \pi - 2\theta}{2(n+1)}\right) - P_n\left(\cos \frac{4k\pi + \pi - 2\theta}{2(n+1)}\right) \right|^p d\theta \right\}^{1/p} \\ &\leq \pi E_{n,p}(f) + \left\{ C_{10} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(\cos t) - P_n(\cos t)|^p dt \right\}^{1/p} \leq C_{11} E_{n,p}(f). \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$G_n(f) = \{\theta | \varphi_1 < \theta < \varphi_2, \|f(x) - L_n(f; \theta; x)\|_p \leq \frac{3}{\varphi_2 - \varphi_1} C_{11} E_{n,p}(f)\},$$

and denote by $|G_n(f)|$ the Lebesgue measure of $G_n(f)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{3}{\varphi_2 - \varphi_1} \right)^{1/p} C_{11} E_{n,p}(f) [\varphi_2 - \varphi_1 - |G_n(f)|]^{1/p} \\ &\leq \left\{ \int_{[\varphi_1, \varphi_2] \setminus G_n(f)} \|f(x) - L_n(f; \theta; x)\|_p^p d\theta \right\}^{1/p} \leq C_{11} E_{n,p}(f). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we can get

$$|G_n(f)| > (\varphi_2 - \varphi_1) - \frac{\varphi_2 - \varphi_1}{3} = \frac{2(\varphi_2 - \varphi_1)}{3}. \quad (31)$$

That means $G_n(f)$ is not empty, so there exists $\{\theta_n\} \in G_n(f)$ such that

$$\|f(x) - L_n(f; \theta, x)\|_p < \frac{3}{\varphi_2 - \varphi_1} C_{1,1} E_{n,p}(f). \quad (32)$$

It is namely (3), thus we complete the proof of Theorem 1.

Theorem 2 Suppose $f_1(x), f_2(x) \in C_\omega^p$, $1 < p < +\infty$, $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi_1 < \varphi_2 < \frac{\pi}{2}$, then there exists a sequence $\{\theta_n\} \in [\varphi_1, \varphi_2]$ such that (3) is valid for both $f_1(z)$ and $f_2(z)$.

In fact because of (31) we have

$$|G_n(f_1) \cap G_n(f_2)| > \frac{1}{3}(\varphi_2 - \varphi_1).$$

Thus there exists $\theta_n \in \{G_n(f_1) \cap G_n(f_2)\}$ such that (32) is valid for both $f_1(z)$ and $f_2(z)$.

It is obvious that we can extend Theorem 2 to the case of the finite number of functions $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m \in C_\omega^p$.

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C_ω^p 空间中的插值多项式逼近

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摘要 本文证明了对任意函数 $f(z) \in C_\omega^p$, 其中 $1 < p < +\infty$, $\omega(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$, 在 $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi_1 < \theta < \varphi_2 < \frac{\pi}{2}$ 上存在序列 $\{\theta_n\}$, 使得 $f(z)$ 在 $\{\theta_n\}$ 上的插值多项式在 C_ω^p 中的逼近阶能用其最佳逼近来估计.