

APPROXIMATION BY CHENEY-SHARMA-KANTOROVIČ POLYNOMIALS IN THE L_p -METRIC

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1. Properties of CSB-polynomials. Based on the identity

$$(1.1) \quad \sum_{k=0}^n p_{nk}(x; \beta) := (1+n\beta)^{-n} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x(x+k\beta)^{k-1} [1-x+(n-k)\beta]^{n-k} = 1,$$

$x \in I := [0, 1], \beta \in \mathbf{R}, n \in \mathbf{N}$, a partition of unity originating from a more general identity of Jensen [6], Cheney and Sharma [1] associated with a bounded function $f : I \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ the polynomial

$$(1.2) \quad (P_{n,\beta}f)(x) := \sum_{k=0}^n p_{nk}(x; \beta) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)$$

of degree n , depending on a parameter β and reducing to the n -th Bernstein polynomial for $\beta = 0$. We shall refer to it as the n -th Cheney-Sharma-Bernstein polynomial (briefly: CSB-polynomial). The CSB-operators $P_{n,\beta}$ defined by (1.2) are positive, linear, polynomial and preserve, due to (1.1), constant functions. In [1] it is proved that the sequence $(P_{n,\beta})_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ gives a positive polynomial approximation method on the space $C(I), \|\cdot\|_\infty$ (i.e. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f - P_{n,\beta}f\|_\infty = 0$ for all $f \in C(I)$) if the parameters β are chosen to be nonnegative and are coupled with n (i.e. $\beta = \beta_n$) in such a way that

$$(1.3) \quad n\beta_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Using estimates in [1] it can easily be shown that

$$(1.4) \quad (P_{n,\beta_n}t)(x) = x + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right),$$

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