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ON KOROVKIN TYPE THEOREM IN THE SPACE
OF LOCALLY INTEGRABLE FUNCTIONS

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Abstract. It is shown that a Korovkin type theorem for a sequence of linear positive operators acting in weighted space $L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$ does not hold in all this space and is satisfied only on some subspace.

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1.

A Korovkin type theorem for linear positive operators acting from $L_p(a, b)$ to $L_p(a, b)$ was studied in [4] and then some new results in this direction were established. We refer to the papers [1], [2], [3], [8], [10], [11], [12] [13]. Note that all the results just mentioned are devoted to the case of a finite interval $[a, b]$.

We consider the space of locally integrable functions on the entire real axis, and the sequences of linear positive operators defined in this space.

For $w(x) = 1 + x^2$, $-\infty < x < \infty$ and any fixed $h > 0$, we will denote by $L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$ the space of measurable functions f satisfying the inequality

$$(1) \quad \left(\frac{1}{2h} \int_{x-h}^{x+h} |f(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq M_f w(x), \quad -\infty < x < \infty,$$

where $p \geq 1$ and M_f is a positive constant which depends on the function f . Obviously, $L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$ is a linear normed space with norm

$$\|f\|_{p,w} = \sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2h} \int_{x-h}^{x+h} |f(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}}{w(x)}$$

($\|f\|_{p,w}$ may depend also on h). To simplify notation, we need the following. For any finite real numbers a and b put

$$(2) \quad \|f; L_p(a, b)\| = \left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b |f(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

$$(3) \quad \|f; L_{p,w}(a, b)\| = \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \frac{\|f; L_p(x-h, x+h)\|}{w(x)},$$

$$(4) \quad \|f; L_{p,w}(|x| \geq a)\| = \sup_{|x| \geq a} \frac{\|f; L_p(x-h, x+h)\|}{w(x)}.$$

It follows that the norm in $L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$ may be written in the form

$$\|f\|_{p,w} = \sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} \frac{\|f; L_p(x-h, x+h)\|}{w(x)}.$$

Let $L_{p,w}^k(\text{loc})$ be the subspace of all functions $f \in L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$ for which there exists a constant k_f such that

$$(5) \quad \lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|f - k_f w; L_p(x-h, x+h)\|}{w(x)} = 0.$$

In the case of $k_f = 0$ we will write $L_{p,w}^0(\text{loc})$. Korovkin type theorems for sequence of linear positive operators acting in weighted space of continuous functions, defined on the entire real line, were studied in [5]¹, [6]. We will study these theorems in the space $L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$. The set of all linear positive operators acting from $L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$ to $L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$ will be denoted by $(L_{p,w}(\text{loc}) \rightarrow L_{p,w}(\text{loc}))^+$.

2.

We shall deal with the following problem.

Let the sequence of operators $L_n \in (L_{p,w}(\text{loc}) \rightarrow L_{p,w}(\text{loc}))^+$ satisfy the conditions:

i) The norms of these operators are uniformly bounded, that is,

$$(6) \quad \|L_n\| \leq C < \infty,$$

where C is a constant independent of n ;

¹ A. D. Gadjiev = A. D. Gadźiev (also in other translation papers A. D. Gadzhiev, A. D. Gadźiev).

ii) For $m = 0, 1, 2$

$$(7) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(t^m; x) - x^m\|_{p,w} = 0,$$

where $L_n(t^m; x) := L_n(t^m)(x)$.

Is it possible to assert then that for each function $f \in L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(f; x) - f(x)\|_{p,w} = 0?$$

We show that the answer to this question is negative.

Our main result is the following.

Theorem 1. *There exists a sequence of operators $L_n \in (L_{p,w}(\text{loc}) \rightarrow L_{p,w}(\text{loc}))^+$ satisfying conditions (6), (7) and there exists a function f^* in $L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$ for which*

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n f^* - f^*\|_{p,w} \geq 2^{1-\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Proof. We define a sequence of operators L_n by the formulas

$$L_n(f; x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2}{(x+h)^2} f(x+h) & \text{for } (2n-2)h \leq x \leq (2n+1)h, \\ f(x) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that

$$\|L_n f\|_{p,w} \leq 4\|f\|_{p,w},$$

that is, L_n are bounded operators belonging to $(L_{p,w}(\text{loc}) \rightarrow L_{p,w}(\text{loc}))^+$ and (6) holds.

Now, for $m = 0, 1$,

$$\|L_n(t^m; x) - x^m\|_{p,w} \leq \sup_{(2n-1)h \leq x \leq 2nh} \frac{(x+h)^m}{1+x^2} \leq \frac{(2n+1)^m h^m}{1+4h^2(2n-1)^2}$$

and therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(t^m; x) - x^m\|_{p,w} = 0, \quad m = 0, 1.$$

Also, since $L_n(t^2; x) = x^2$, the conditions (7) hold.

Consider the function

$$f^*(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & \text{if } x \in \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} [(2k-1)h, 2kh), \\ -x^2 & \text{if } x \in \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} (2kh, (2k+1)h], \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Then $f^* \in L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$ and we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|L_n f^* - f^*\|_{p,w} &= \sup_{(2n-1)h < x < (2n+1)h} \frac{\|L_n f^* - f^*; L_p((2n-1)h, (2n+1)h)\|}{w(x)} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{w(2nh)} \left(\frac{1}{2h} \int_{(2n-1)h}^{2nh} \left| \frac{y^2}{(y+h)^2} f^*(y+h) - f^*(y) \right|^p dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\geq 2^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \frac{(2n-1)^2 h^2}{1+4n^2 h^2}. \end{aligned}$$

The theorem is proved. □

3.

Now we show that the above mentioned problem has a positive solution in the subset $L_{p,w}^k(\text{loc})$. First we give the following simple proposition.

Lemma. *Let the sequence of operators $A_n \in (L_{p,w}(\text{loc}) \rightarrow L_{p,w}(\text{loc}))^+$ satisfy the three conditions:*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n(t^m; x) - x^m\|_{p,w} = 0 \quad (m = 0, 1, 2).$$

Then, for any continuous and bounded function f on the real axis,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n f - f; L_{p,w}(a, b)\| = 0$$

holds, where a and b are any real numbers.

The proof of this Lemma is conducted in the same way as in the case of the space $C(a, b)$.

Since f is uniformly continuous function on any closed interval, given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a positive $\delta = \delta(\varepsilon)$ such that

$$|f(t) - f(x)| < \varepsilon \quad \text{if } |t - x| < \delta, \quad x \in [a, b], \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Also, setting $M = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |f(x)|$, we can write

$$|f(t) - f(x)| < 2M \quad \text{if } |t - x| \geq \delta \quad x \in [a, b], \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Therefore, from the basic inequality

$$|f(t) - f(x)| < \varepsilon + \frac{2M}{\delta^2} (t - x)^2,$$

where $-\infty < t < \infty$, $x \in [a, b]$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|A_n f - f; L_{p,w}(a, b)\| &\leq \varepsilon + M \|A_n(1; x) - 1; L_{p,w}(a, b)\| \\ &\quad + \frac{2M}{\delta^2} \|A_n((t-x)^2; x); L_{p,w}(a, b)\| \end{aligned}$$

and the last two terms tend to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$ by the conditions of the Lemma.

Theorem 2. *If $A_n \in (L_{p,w}(\text{loc}) \rightarrow L_{p,w}(\text{loc}))^+$ is a sequence of operators satisfying the conditions (6) and (7), then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n f - f\|_{p,w} = 0$$

for each function $f \in L_{p,w}^k(\text{loc})$.

Proof. Since $f \in L_{p,w}^k(\text{loc})$ implies that $f - k_f, w \in L_{p,w}^0(\text{loc})$, it is sufficient to prove the theorem for the function $f \in L_{p,w}^0(\text{loc})$. For $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a point x_0 such that the inequality

$$(8) \quad \left(\frac{1}{2h} \int_{x-h}^{x+h} |f(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \varepsilon w(x)$$

holds for all x , $|x| \geq x_0$.

By the well known Luzin Theorem (see, for example [7]), there exists a continuous function φ on the finite interval $[-x_0 - h, x_0 + h]$ such that the inequality

$$(9) \quad \|f - \varphi; L_p(-x_0, x_0)\| < \varepsilon$$

is fulfilled. Setting

$$(10) \quad \delta < \min \left\{ \frac{2h\varepsilon^p}{M^p(x_0)}, h \right\},$$

where $M(x_0) = \max \left\{ \max_{|x| \leq x_0+h} |\varphi(x)|, 1 \right\}$, we can construct a continuous function g by the formulas

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \varphi(x) & \text{if } |x| \leq x_0 + h, \\ 0 & \text{if } |x| \geq x_0 + h + \delta, \\ \text{linear} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then, by (8), (9), (10) and the Minkowski inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\|f - g\|_{p,w} &\leq \|f - g; L_{p,w}(-x_0, x_0)\| + \|f - g; L_{p,w}(|x| \geq x_0 + h + \delta)\| \\
&\quad + \|f - g; L_{p,w}(x_0, x_0 + h + \delta)\| \\
&\quad + \|f - g; L_{p,w}(-x_0 - h - \delta, -x_0)\| \\
&< 2\varepsilon + \|f - g; L_p(x_0 - h, x_0 + h)\| + \frac{1}{w(x_0)} \|f; L_p(x_0 + h, x_0 + 2h + \delta)\| \\
&\quad + \|g; L_p(x_0 + h, x_0 + 2h + \delta)\| + \frac{1}{w(x_0)} \|f; L_p(-x_0 - 2h - \delta, -x_0 - h)\| \\
&\quad + \|g; L_p(-x_0 - h - \delta, -x_0 - h)\| \\
&\quad + \|f; L_p(-x_0 - h, -x_0 + h)\| \\
&< 4\varepsilon + 2M(x_0) \left(\frac{\delta}{2h}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \frac{1}{w(x_0)} \|f; L_p(x_0 + h, x_0 + 3h)\| \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{w(x_0)} \|f; L_p(-x_0 - 3h, -x_0 - h)\|
\end{aligned}$$

and, on using the inequality (1),

$$\|f - g\|_{p,w} \leq 6\varepsilon + 2\varepsilon \frac{w(x_0 + 2h)}{w(x_0)} < C_1\varepsilon,$$

where $C_1 = 6 + 2(1 + 2h)^2$, since $w(x) = 1 + x^2$.

Consequently, for each $f \in L_{p,w}^0(\text{loc})$, there exists a continuous and bounded function g such that

$$(11) \quad \|f - g\|_{p,w} < C_1\varepsilon$$

for any $\varepsilon > 0$.

Now we can find a point $x_1 > x_0$ such that

$$(12) \quad w(x_1) > \frac{M(x_0)}{\varepsilon} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad |x| > x_1,$$

where $M(x_0)$ is defined above. Then, by (6), (11) and the Lemma (cf., e.g., [9], pp. 28, 29),

$$\begin{aligned}
\|L_n f - f\|_{p,w} &\leq \|L_n(f - g)\|_{p,w} + \|L_n g - g\|_{p,w} + \|f - g\|_{p,w} \\
&\leq (C + 1)\|f - g\|_{p,w} + \|L_n g - g\|_{p,w} \\
&\leq (C + 1)\varepsilon + \|L_n g - g; L_{p,w}(-x_1, x_1)\| + \|L_n g; L_{p,w}(|x| \geq x_1)\| \\
&\leq (C + 2)\varepsilon + \|L_n g; L_{p,w}(|x| \geq x_1)\|.
\end{aligned}$$

Since $|g(x)| \leq M(x_0)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \|L_n g; L_{p,w}(|x| \geq x_1)\| &\leq M(x_0) \|L_n 1; L_{p,w}(|x| \geq x_1)\| \\ &\leq M(x_0) \|L_n 1 - 1\|_{p,w} + M(x_0) \|1; L_{p,w}(|x| \geq x_1)\|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\|L_n f - f\|_{p,w} \leq (C + 2)\varepsilon + M(x_0) \|L_n 1 - 1\|_{p,w} + \frac{M(x_0)}{w(x_1)}.$$

In view of (7) and (12), the proof is completed. \square

4.

Theorem 2 gives a way of approximating all functions in $L_p(\text{loc})$. Namely, we have the following result.

Theorem 3. *Let a sequence of linear operators $A_n \in (L_{p,w}(\text{loc}) \rightarrow L_{p,w}(\text{loc}))^+$ satisfy the conditions i) and ii). Then, for all functions $f \in L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$,*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} \frac{\|A_n f - f; L_p(x-h, x+h)\|}{1 + |x|^{2-\varepsilon}} = 0,$$

where $\varepsilon > 0$ is any positive number (ε cannot be zero).

P r o o f. By the condition (6) for any fixed x_0

$$a_n = \sup_{|x| > x_0} \frac{\|A_n f - f; L_p(x-h, x+h)\|}{1 + x^2}$$

is bounded, if $f \in L_{p,w}(\text{loc})$.

Also by the Lemma for any fixed x_0 ,

$$b_n = \sup_{|x| \leq x_0} \frac{\|A_n f - f; L_p(x-h, x+h)\|}{1 + x^2}$$

tends to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Indeed, by the Luzin Theorem there exists a continuous function φ_1 on the interval $[-x_0 - h, x_0 + h]$ such that the inequality

$$(13) \quad \|f - \varphi_1; L_p(-x_0 - h, x_0 + h)\| < \varepsilon$$

is fulfilled. Moreover, setting

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_1(x) &= \varphi_1(-x_0 - h) & \text{if } x \leq x_0 - h, \\ \varphi_1(x) &= \varphi_1(x_0 + h) & \text{if } x \geq x_0 + h,\end{aligned}$$

we see that φ_1 is continuous and bounded function on the whole real axis, for which the Lemma holds. Now,

$$\begin{aligned}b_n &\leq \|A_n f - f; L_p(-x_0 - h, x_0 + h)\| \\ &\leq (1 + \|A_n\|) \|f - \varphi_1; L_p(-x_0 - h, x_0 + h)\| + \|A_n \varphi_1 - \varphi_1; L_p(-x_0 - h, x_0 + h)\|\end{aligned}$$

and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$ by (6), (13) and the Lemma.

All that remains to see is that

$$\sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} \frac{\|A_n f - f; L_p(x - h, x + h)\|}{1 + |x|^{2+\varepsilon}} \leq (1 + x_0^2) b_n + a_n \sup_{|x| \geq x_0} \frac{1 + x^2}{1 + |x|^{2+\varepsilon}}$$

and the proof is completed since the last statement concerning ε follows from Theorem 1.

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