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# A New Estimate on the Rate of Convergence of Durrmeyer-Bézier Operators

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We obtain an estimate on the rate of convergence of Durrmeyer-Bézier operators for functions of bounded variation by means of some probabilistic methods and inequality techniques. Our estimate improves the result of Zeng and Chen (2000).

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## 1. Introduction

In 2000, Zeng and Chen [1] introduced the Durrmeyer-Bézier operators  $D_{n,\alpha}$  which are defined as follows:

$$D_{n,\alpha}(f, x) = (n+1) \sum_{k=0}^n Q_{nk}^{(\alpha)}(x) \int_0^1 f(t) p_{nk}(t) dt, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $f$  is defined on  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\alpha \geq 1$ ,  $Q_{nk}^{(\alpha)}(x) = J_{nk}^{\alpha}(x) - J_{n,k+1}^{\alpha}(x)$ ,  $J_{nk}(x) = \sum_{j=k}^n p_{nj}(x)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  are Bézier basis functions, and  $p_{nk}(x) = \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  are Bernstein basis functions.

When  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $D_{n,1}(f)$  is just the well-known Durrmeyer operator

$$D_{n,1}(f, x) = (n+1) \sum_{k=0}^n p_{nk}(x) \int_0^1 f(t) p_{nk}(t) dt. \quad (1.2)$$

Concerning the approximation properties of operators  $D_{n,1}(f)$  and some results on approximation of functions of bounded variation by positive linear operators, one can refer

to [2–7]. Authors of [1] studied the rate of convergence of the operators  $D_{n,\alpha}(f)$  for functions of bounded variation and presented the following important result.

**Theorem A.** *Let  $f$  be a function of bounded variation on  $[0, 1]$ , ( $f \in \text{BV}[0, 1]$ ),  $\alpha \geq 1$ , then for every  $x \in (0, 1)$  and  $n \geq 1/x(1-x)$  one has*

$$\left| D_{n,\alpha}(f, x) - \left[ \frac{1}{\alpha+1}f(x+) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+1}f(x-) \right] \right| \leq \frac{8\alpha}{nx(1-x)} \sum_{k=1}^n \bigvee_{x-x/\sqrt{k}}^{x+(1-x)/\sqrt{k}} (g_x) + \frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{nx(1-x)}} |f(x+) - f(x-)|, \quad (1.3)$$

where  $\bigvee_a^b(g_x)$  is the total variation of  $g_x$  on  $[a, b]$  and

$$g_x(t) = \begin{cases} f(t) - f(x+), & x < t \leq 1, \\ 0, & t = x, \\ f(t) - f(x-), & 0 \leq t < x. \end{cases} \quad (1.4)$$

Since the Durrmeyer-Bézier operators  $D_{n,\alpha}$  are an important approximation operator of new type, the purpose of this paper is to continue studying the approximation properties of the operators  $D_{n,\alpha}$  for functions of bounded variation, and give a better estimate than that of Theorem A by means of some probabilistic methods and inequality techniques. The result of this paper is as follows.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $f$  be a function of bounded variation on  $[0, 1]$ , ( $f \in \text{BV}[0, 1]$ ),  $\alpha \geq 1$ , then for every  $x \in (0, 1)$  and  $n > 1$  one has*

$$\left| D_{n,\alpha}(f, x) - \left[ \frac{1}{\alpha+1}f(x+) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+1}f(x-) \right] \right| \leq \frac{4\alpha+1}{nx(1-x)} \sum_{k=1}^n \bigvee_{x-x/\sqrt{k}}^{x+(1-x)/\sqrt{k}} (g_x) + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{(n+1)x(1-x)}} |f(x+) - f(x-)|, \quad (1.5)$$

where  $g_x(t)$  is defined in (1.4).

It is obvious that the estimate (1.5) is better than the estimate (1.3). More important, the estimate (1.5) is true for all  $n > 1$ . This is an important improvement comparing with the fact that estimate (1.3) holds only for  $n \geq 1/x(1-x)$ .

## 2. Some Lemmas

In order to prove Theorem 1.1, we need the following preliminary results.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $\{\xi_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of independent and identically distributed random variables,  $\xi_1$  is a random variable with two-point distribution  $P(\xi_1 = i) = x^i(1-x)^{1-i}$  ( $i = 0, 1$ , and  $x \in [0, 1]$ ) is*

a parameter). Set  $\eta_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \xi_k$ , with the mathematical expectation  $E(\eta_n) = \mu_n \in (-\infty, +\infty)$ , and with the variance  $D(\eta_n) = \sigma_n^2 > 0$ . Then for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n+1$ , one has

$$|P(\eta_n \leq k-1) - P(\eta_{n+1} \leq k)| \leq \frac{\sigma_{n+1}}{\mu_{n+1}}, \quad (2.1)$$

$$|P(\eta_n \leq k) - P(\eta_{n+1} \leq k)| \leq \frac{\sigma_{n+1}}{(n+1) - \mu_{n+1}}. \quad (2.2)$$

*Proof.* Since  $\eta_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \xi_k$ , from the distribution series of  $\xi_k$ , by convolution computation we get

$$P(\eta_n = j) = \frac{n!}{j!(n-j)!} x^j (1-x)^{n-j}, \quad 0 \leq j \leq n. \quad (2.3)$$

Furthermore by direct computations we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{n+1} &= (n+1)x, \\ P(\eta_n = j-1) &= \frac{j}{(n+1)x} P(\eta_{n+1} = j), \quad 1 \leq j \leq n+1. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Thus we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} |P(\eta_n \leq k-1) - P(\eta_{n+1} \leq k)| &= \left| \sum_{j=1}^k P(\eta_n = j-1) - \sum_{j=1}^k P(\eta_{n+1} = j) - P(\eta_{n+1} = 0) \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{j=0}^k \left( \frac{j}{(n+1)x} - 1 \right) P(\eta_{n+1} = j) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(n+1)x} \sum_{j=0}^k |j - (n+1)x| P(\eta_{n+1} = j) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(n+1)x} \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} |j - (n+1)x| P(\eta_{n+1} = j) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu_{n+1}} E|\eta_{n+1} - \mu_{n+1}|. \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

By Schwarz's inequality, it follows that

$$\frac{1}{\mu_{n+1}} E|\eta_{n+1} - \mu_{n+1}| \leq \frac{\sqrt{E(\eta_{n+1} - \mu_{n+1})^2}}{\mu_{n+1}} = \frac{\sigma_{n+1}}{\mu_{n+1}}. \quad (2.6)$$

The inequality (2.1) is proved.

Similarly, by using the identities

$$n + 1 - \mu_{n+1} = (n + 1)(1 - x),$$

$$P(\eta_n = j) = \frac{(n + 1) - j}{(n + 1)(1 - x)} P(\eta_{n+1} = j), \quad 1 \leq j \leq n + 1, \quad (2.7)$$

we get the inequality (2.2). Lemma 2.1 is proved.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $\alpha \geq 1$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $p_{nk}(x) = (n!/k!(n-k)!)x^k(1-x)^{n-k}$  be Bernstein basis functions, and let  $J_{nk}(x) = \sum_{j=k}^n p_{nj}(x)$  be Bézier basis functions, then one has

$$\left| J_{nk}^\alpha(x) - J_{n+1,k+1}^\alpha(x) \right| \leq \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{(n+1)x(1-x)}},$$

$$\left| J_{nk}^\alpha(x) - J_{n+1,k}^\alpha(x) \right| \leq \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{(n+1)x(1-x)}}. \quad (2.8)$$

*Proof.* Note that  $0 \leq J_{nk}(x)$ ,  $J_{n+1,k+1}(x) \leq 1$ ,  $\mu_{n+1} = (n+1)x$ ,  $\sigma_{n+1}^2 = (n+1)x(1-x)$ , and  $\alpha \geq 1$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \left| J_{nk}^\alpha(x) - J_{n+1,k+1}^\alpha(x) \right| &\leq \alpha |J_{nk}(x) - J_{n+1,k+1}(x)| \\ &= \alpha \left| \sum_{j=k}^n p_{nj} - \sum_{j=k+1}^{n+1} p_{n+1,j} \right| \\ &= \alpha \left| \left( 1 - \sum_{j=k}^n p_{nj} \right) - \left( 1 - \sum_{j=k+1}^{n+1} p_{n+1,j} \right) \right| \\ &= \alpha |P(\eta_n \leq k-1) - P(\eta_{n+1} \leq k)|. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

Now by inequality (2.1) of Lemma 2.1 we obtain

$$\left| J_{nk}^\alpha(x) - J_{n+1,k+1}^\alpha(x) \right| \leq \alpha \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{(n+1)x(1-x)}} \leq \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{(n+1)x(1-x)}}. \quad (2.10)$$

Similarly, by using inequality (2.2), we obtain

$$\left| J_{nk}^\alpha(x) - J_{n+1,k}^\alpha(x) \right| \leq \alpha \frac{x}{\sqrt{(n+1)x(1-x)}} \leq \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{(n+1)x(1-x)}}. \quad (2.11)$$

Thus Lemma 2.2 is proved.  $\square$

### 3. Proof of Theorem 1.1

Let  $f$  satisfy the conditions of Theorem 1.1, then  $f$  can be decomposed as

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \frac{1}{\alpha+1}f(x+) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+1}f(x-) + g_x(t) \\ &\quad + \frac{f(x+) - f(x-)}{2} \left( \operatorname{sgn}(t-x) + \frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha+1} \right) \\ &\quad + \delta_x(t) \left( f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f(x+) - \frac{1}{2}f(x-) \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where

$$\operatorname{sgn}(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t > 0 \\ 0, & t = 0, \\ -1, & t < 0, \end{cases} \quad \delta_x(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t \neq x, \\ 1, & t = x. \end{cases} \quad (3.2)$$

Obviously  $D_{n,\alpha}(\delta_x, x) = 0$ , thus from (3.1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| D_{n,\alpha}(f, x) - \left( \frac{1}{\alpha+1}f(x+) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+1}f(x-) \right) \right| \\ &\leq |D_{n,\alpha}(g_x, x)| + \left| \frac{f(x+) - f(x-)}{2} \left( D_{n,\alpha}(\operatorname{sgn}(t-x), x) + \frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha+1} \right) \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

We first estimate  $|D_{n,\alpha}(\operatorname{sgn}(t-x), x) + (\alpha-1)/(\alpha+1)|$ , from [1, page 11] we have the following equation:

$$D_{n,\alpha}(\operatorname{sgn}(t-x), x) + \frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha+1} = 2 \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} p_{n+1,k}(x) J_{nk}^\alpha(x) - 2 \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} p_{n+1,k}(x) \gamma_{nk}^\alpha(x), \quad (3.4)$$

where  $J_{n+1,k+1}^\alpha(x) < \gamma_{nk}^\alpha(x) < J_{n+1,k}^\alpha(x)$ .

Thus by Lemma 2.2, we get  $|J_{nk}^\alpha(x) - \gamma_{nk}^\alpha(x)| \leq \alpha/\sqrt{(n+1)x(1-x)}$ . Note that  $\sum_{k=0}^{n+1} p_{n+1,k}(x) = 1$ , we have

$$\left| D_{n,\alpha}(\operatorname{sgn}(t-x), x) + \frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha+1} \right| = \left| 2 \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} p_{n+1,k}(x) (J_{nk}^\alpha(x) - \gamma_{nk}^\alpha(x)) \right| \leq \frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{(n+1)x(1-x)}}. \quad (3.5)$$

Next we estimate  $|D_{n,\alpha}(g_x, x)|$ . From (15) of [1], it follows the inequality

$$|D_{n,\alpha}(g_x, x)| \leq 4\alpha \frac{nx(1-x) + 1}{n^2x^2(1-x)^2} \sum_{k=1}^n \bigvee_{x-x/\sqrt{k}}^{x+(1-x)/\sqrt{k}} (g_x). \quad (3.6)$$

That is,

$$n^2 x^2 (1-x)^2 |D_{n,\alpha}(g_x, x)| \leq 4\alpha (nx(1-x) + 1) \sum_{k=1}^n \bigvee_{x-x/\sqrt{k}}^{x+(1-x)/\sqrt{k}} (g_x). \quad (3.7)$$

On the other hand, note that  $g_x(x) = 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |D_{n,\alpha}(g_x, x)| &\leq D_{n,\alpha}(|g_x(t) - g_x(x)|, x) \\ &\leq \bigvee_0^1 (g_x) D_{n,\alpha}(1, x) \\ &= \bigvee_0^1 (g_x) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \bigvee_{x-x/\sqrt{k}}^{x+(1-x)/\sqrt{k}} (g_x). \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

From (3.7) and (3.8) we obtain

$$|D_{n,\alpha}(g_x, x)| \leq \frac{4\alpha nx(1-x) + 4\alpha + 4\alpha}{n^2 x^2 (1-x)^2 + 4\alpha} \sum_{k=1}^n \bigvee_{x-x/\sqrt{k}}^{x+(1-x)/\sqrt{k}} (g_x). \quad (3.9)$$

Using inequality

$$n^2 x^2 (1-x)^2 + 16\alpha^2 + 4\alpha > 8\alpha nx(1-x), \quad (3.10)$$

we get

$$\frac{4\alpha nx(1-x) + 4\alpha + 4\alpha}{n^2 x^2 (1-x)^2 + 4\alpha} < \frac{4\alpha + 1}{nx(1-x)}, \quad \forall n > 1. \quad (3.11)$$

Thus from (3.9) we obtain

$$|D_{n,\alpha}(g_x, x)| \leq \frac{4\alpha + 1}{nx(1-x)} \sum_{k=1}^n \bigvee_{x-x/\sqrt{k}}^{x+(1-x)/\sqrt{k}} (g_x). \quad (3.12)$$

Theorem 1.1 now follows by collecting the estimations (3.3), (3.5), and (3.12).

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