

THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STANCU TYPE OPERATOR

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ABSTRACT. Using the Taylor series expansion around 0 of the Stancu operator we construct a new linear and positive operator $R_m : C([0, 1]) \rightarrow C([0, 1])$ and we give a convergence theorem.

The Bernstein approximations $B_m f$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$ associated to a given continuous function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the polynomial

$$(1) \quad (B_m f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^m p_{m,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k}{m}\right),$$

where

$$(2) \quad p_{m,k}(x) = \binom{m}{k} x^k (1-x)^{m-k}$$

are called the Bernstein fundamental polynomials of m -th degree (see [1]).

In 1968, D.D. Stancu defined in [5] a linear positive operator depending on two non-negative parameters α and β satisfying the condition $0 \leq \alpha \leq \beta$. Those operators defined for any non-negative integer m , associate to every function $f \in C([0, 1])$ the polynomial $P_m^{(\alpha, \beta)} f$,

$$f \in C([0, 1]) \mapsto P_m^{(\alpha, \beta)} f,$$

in the following way:

$$(3) \quad (P_m f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^m p_{m,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k+\alpha}{m+\beta}\right).$$

Note that for $\alpha = \beta = 0$ the Bernstein-Stancu operators become the classical Bernstein operators B_m . It is known that the Bernstein-Stancu operators verify the following relations:

Lemma 1 For Bernstein-Stancu operators $P_m^{(\alpha, \beta)}$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$, the following relations hold true:

$$1) (P_m e_0)(x) = 1$$

$$2) (P_m e_1)(x) = x + \frac{\alpha - \beta x}{m + \beta}$$

$$3) (P_m e_2)(x) = x^2 + \frac{mx(1-x) + (\alpha - \beta x)(2mx + \beta x + \alpha)}{(m + \beta)^2},$$

where

$$e_j(x) = x^j \quad , \quad j = 0, 1, 2$$

are test functions.

Lemma 2 For any $x \in [0, 1]$ we have:

1.

$$(4) \quad (P'_m f)(x) = \frac{m}{m + \beta} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} p_{m-1,k}(x) [a_k, a_{k+1}; f]$$

where $a_k = \frac{k+\alpha}{m+\beta}$, $k = \overline{0, m}$.

2.

$$(5) \quad \frac{1}{j!} \frac{d^j}{dx^j} (P_m f)(x) = \binom{m}{j} \frac{j!}{(m + \beta)^j} \sum_{k=0}^{m-j} p_{m-j,k}(x) [a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_{k+j}; f],$$

for $j \leq m$.

Proof:

1. We use the relation:

$$(6) \quad p'_{m,k}(x) = m(p_{m-1,k-1}(x) - p_{m-1,k}(x)), \quad k = \overline{0, m}, \quad (\forall x \in [0, 1])$$

$$(7) \quad p_{0,0}(x) = 1, \quad p_{s,-1}(x) = p_{s,s+1}(x) = 0, \quad s \in N^*$$

so we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} (P'_m f)(x) &= \sum_{k=0}^m p'_{m,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k + \alpha}{m + \beta}\right) = \\ &= m \sum_{k=0}^m p_{m-1,k-1}(x) f\left(\frac{k + \alpha}{m + \beta}\right) - m \sum_{k=0}^m p_{m-1,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k + \alpha}{m + \beta}\right). \end{aligned}$$

The first term of the first sum is zero, and so is the last term of the second sum (because of 7), therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} (P'_m f)(x) &= m \sum_{k=1}^m p_{m-1,k-1}(x) f\left(\frac{k + \alpha}{m + \beta}\right) - m \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} p_{m-1,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k + \alpha}{m + \beta}\right) = \\ &= m \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} p_{m-1,l}(x) f\left(\frac{l + 1 + \alpha}{m + \beta}\right) - m \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} p_{m-1,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k + \alpha}{m + \beta}\right) = \\ &= m \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} p_{m-1,l}(x) \left(f\left(\frac{l + 1 + \alpha}{m + \beta}\right) - f\left(\frac{l + \alpha}{m + \beta}\right) \right) = \\ &= m \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} p_{m-1,l}(x) \left(\frac{f\left(\frac{l+1+\alpha}{m+\beta}\right) - f\left(\frac{l+\alpha}{m+\beta}\right)}{\left(\frac{l+1+\alpha}{m+\beta} - \frac{l+\alpha}{m+\beta}\right)(m + \beta)} \right) = \\ &= \frac{m}{m + \beta} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} p_{m-1,k}(x) \left[\frac{k + \alpha}{m + \beta}, \frac{k + 1 + \alpha}{m + \beta}; f \right] \end{aligned}$$

2. We use induction method. For $j = 1$ the above formula is obtained. Let's suppose that the formula 5 holds for $j - 1$ and prove it for j .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{j!} (P_m^{(j)} f)(x) &= \frac{1}{j} \left(\frac{1}{(j-1)!} P_m^{(j-1)} f \right)'(x) = \\ &= \frac{1}{j} \binom{m}{j-1} \frac{(j-1)!}{(m + \beta)^{j-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{m-j+1} p'_{m-j+1,k}(x) [a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_{k+j-1}; f] = \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{j} \binom{m}{j-1} \frac{(j-1)!}{(m+\beta)^{j-1}} (m-j+1) \cdot \left(\sum_{k=0}^{m-j+1} p_{m-j,k-1}(x)[a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_{k+j-1}; f] - \sum_{k=0}^{m-j+1} p_{m-j,k}(x)[a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_{k+j-1}; f] \right)$$

The first term of the first sum is zero, and so is the last term of the second sum, so we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{j!} \left(P_m^{(j)} f \right) (x) = \\ & = \binom{m}{j} \frac{(j-1)!}{(m+\beta)^{j-1}} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{m-j+1} p_{m-j,k-1}(x)[a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_{k+j-1}; f] - \sum_{k=0}^{m-j} p_{m-j,k}(x)[a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_{k+j-1}; f] \right) = \\ & = \binom{m}{j} \frac{(j-1)!}{(m+\beta)^{j-1}} \left(\sum_{l=0}^{m-j} p_{m-j,l}(x)[a_{l+1}, a_{k+2}, \dots, a_{l+j}; f] - \sum_{k=0}^{m-j} p_{m-j,k}(x)[a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_{k+j-1}; f] \right) = \\ & = \binom{m}{j} \frac{(j-1)!}{(m+\beta)^{j-1}} \sum_{l=0}^{m-j} p_{m-j,l}(x) ([a_{l+1}, a_{k+2}, \dots, a_{l+j}; f] - [a_l, a_{l+1}, \dots, a_{l+j-1}; f]) = \\ & = \binom{m}{j} \frac{(j-1)!}{(m+\beta)^{j-1}} \sum_{l=0}^{m-j} p_{m-j,l}(x) \left(\frac{[a_{l+1}, a_{k+2}, \dots, a_{l+j}; f] - [a_l, a_{l+1}, \dots, a_{l+j-1}; f]}{a_{l+j} - a_l} \right) \cdot (a_{l+j} - a_l) = \\ & = \binom{m}{j} \frac{j!}{(m+\beta)^j} \sum_{k=0}^{m-j} p_{m-j,k}(x)[a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_{k+j}; f]. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 3 *The following relation holds:*

$$(8) \quad (P_m f)(x) = \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} \frac{j!}{(m+\beta)^j} x^j [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_j; f].$$

Proof We develop the polynomials $P_m f$ in Taylor series around $x = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} (P_m f)(x) &= \sum_{j=0}^m \frac{\left(P_m^{(j)} f \right) (0)}{j!} x^j = \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} \frac{j!}{(m+\beta)^j} x^j \sum_{k=0}^{m-j} p_{m-j,k}(0)[a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_{k+j}; f] \end{aligned}$$

and since $p_{m-j,k}(0) = 0$ for all $k = \overline{0, m-j}$, and $p_{m-j,0}(0) = 1$ only the first term of the sum remains:

$$(P_m f)(x) = \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} \frac{j!}{(m+\beta)^j} x^j [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_j; f].$$

We construct the following operator $R_m : C([0, 1]) \rightarrow C([0, 1])$ given by:

$$(9) \quad (R_m f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} \frac{k!}{(m+\beta)^k} t_{k,m} [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_k; f] x^k$$

where the numbers $t_{k,m}$, $k = \overline{0, m}$ will be determined by the conditions of linearity and positivity of operators R_m .

Theorem 4 *If $e_j(x) = x^j$, $j = 0, 1, 2$ are the test functions then:*

1. $(R_m e_0)(x) = t_{0,m}$
2. $(R_m e_1)(x) = \frac{1}{m+\beta} (\alpha t_{0,m} + m t_{1,m} x)$
3. $(R_m e_2)(x) = \frac{1}{(m+\beta)^2} (\alpha^2 t_{0,m} + m(2\alpha + 1)t_{1,m} x + m(m-1)t_{2,m} x^2)$

Proof 1. If $P \in \Pi_m$ is a polynomial of degree at most m , then for any x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{m+1} we have $[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{m+1}; P] = 0$, so the sum in the expression of $R_m e_0$ has only one term

$$(R_m e_0)(x) = t_{0,m} [a_0; e_0] = t_{0,m} e_0(a_0) = t_{0,m};$$

2. Using the same observation when computing $R_m e_1$ we obtain 2 terms:

$$\begin{aligned} (R_m e_1)(x) &= t_{0,m} [a_0; e_1] + \frac{m}{m+\beta} t_{1,m} [a_0, a_1; e_1] x = \\ &= t_{0,m} a_0 + \frac{m}{m+\beta} t_{1,m} \frac{e_1(a_1) - e_1(a_0)}{a_1 - a_0} x = \frac{1}{m+\beta} (\alpha t_{0,m} + m t_{1,m} x) \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned} (R_m e_2)(x) &= t_{0,m} [a_0; e_2] + \frac{m}{m+\beta} t_{1,m} [a_0, a_1; e_2] x + \frac{m(m-1)}{(m+\beta)^2} t_{2,m} [a_0, a_1, a_2; e_2] x^2 = \\ &= \frac{1}{(m+\beta)^2} (\alpha^2 t_{0,m} + m(2\alpha + 1)t_{1,m} x + m(m-1)t_{2,m} x^2) \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 5 *If $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{0,m} = 1$ and $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{1,m} = 1$ then $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{2,m} = 1$.*

Proof If $x \in [0, 1]$ then $e_1(x) \geq e_2(x)$ and because R_m has to be a linear and positive operator it has to satisfy the inequality $(R_m e_1)(x) \geq (R_m e_2)(x)$, that is:

$$\frac{1}{m+\beta} (\alpha t_{0,m} + m t_{1,m} x) \geq \frac{1}{(m+\beta)^2} (\alpha^2 t_{0,m} + m(2\alpha + 1)t_{1,m} x + m(m-1)t_{2,m} x^2).$$

For $m \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain:

$$(10) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{1,m} \geq x \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{2,m}$$

that holds for any $x \in [0, 1]$.

We consider $\varphi_x(t) = (t-x)^2$. Then $(R_m \varphi_x)(x) \geq 0$, and

$$\begin{aligned} (R_m \varphi_x)(x) &= (R_m e_2)(x) - 2x (R_m e_1)(x) + x^2 (R_m e_0)(x) = \\ &= \frac{1}{(m+\beta)^2} (\alpha^2 t_{0,m} + m(2\alpha + 1)t_{1,m} x + m(m-1)t_{2,m} x^2) - \\ &\quad - \frac{2x}{m+\beta} (\alpha t_{0,m} + m t_{1,m} x) + x^2 t_{0,m} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Making $m \rightarrow \infty$ it follows that

$$x^2 \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (t_{2,m} - 2t_{1,m} + t_{0,m}) \geq 0$$

or

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (t_{2,m} - t_{1,m}) \geq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (t_{1,m} - t_{0,m}) = 0$$

$$(11) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{2,m} \geq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{1,m}$$

From 10 and 11 we have that $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{2,m} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{1,m} = 1$.

We will use the following result due to H. Bohman and P.P. Korovkin.

Theorem 6 *Let $L_m : C([a, b]) \rightarrow C([a, b])$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$ be a sequence of linear, positive operators such that*

$$\begin{aligned}(L_m e_0)(x) &= 1 + u_m(x) \\ (L_m e_1)(x) &= x + v_m(x) \\ (L_m e_2)(x) &= x^2 + w_m(x)\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} u_m(x) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} v_m(x) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} w_m(x) = 0,$$

uniformly on $[0, 1]$. Then for every continuous function $f \in C([0, 1])$, we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (L_m f)(x) = f(x),$$

uniformly on $[0, 1]$.

We apply theorem 6 to the results obtained in theorem 4 and lemma 5 and we get the convergence theorem for the R_m operators given by relation 9.

Theorem 7 *If $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{0,m} = 1$ and $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_{1,m} = 1$ then for every continuous function $f \in C([0, 1])$ we have*

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} (R_m f)(x) = f(x),$$

uniformly on $[0, 1]$.

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