

# DEGREE OF APPROXIMATION OF FUNCTIONS IN THE GENERALIZED HÖLDER METRIC

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We establish some sharper estimates of the approximation of function by the linear means of Fourier series in the generalized Hölder space.

## 1. DEFINITIONS AND NOTATIONS

Let  $\omega(t)$  and  $\omega^*(t)$  be two given moduli of continuity satisfying the following conditions (for  $0 \leq p < q \leq 1$ ) :

$$\frac{(\omega(t))^{p/q}}{\omega^*(t)} = O(1) \quad (t \rightarrow +0). \quad \dots (1.1)$$

Denote by  $C_{2\pi}$  the space of all  $2\pi$ -periodic continuous functions under sup norm and by  $H_\omega$  the class of functions

$$H_\omega := \{f \in C_{2\pi} \mid |f(x) - f(y)| \leq c\omega(|x - y|)\},$$

here and throughout the paper  $c$  is a positive constant but not the same at each appearance.

For  $f \in H_\omega$ , define the norm  $\|\cdot\|_\omega$  by

$$\|f\|_\omega := \|f\|_C + \sup_{x,y} \{ \Delta^{\omega^*} f(x, y) \}, \quad \dots (1.2)$$

where  $\|f\|_C := \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 2\pi} |f(x)|$ ,

and  $\Delta^{\omega^*} f(x, y) = \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{\omega^*(|x - y|)}$ , ( $x \neq y$ )

and  $\Delta^0 f(x, y) = 0$ . If  $\omega(t) = c|t|^\alpha$  and  $\omega^*(t) = c|t|^\beta$  ( $0 \leq \beta < \alpha \leq 1$ ), then the space

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$$H_\alpha = \{f \in C_{2\pi} \mid |f(x) - f(y)| \leq c |x - y|^\alpha, 0 < \alpha \leq 1\}$$

is a Banach space<sup>4</sup> and the metric induced by the norm

$$\|f\|_\beta = \|f\|_C + \sup_{x,y} \left\{ \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|^\beta} \right\}$$

is called the Hölder metric.

Let  $D = (d_{nk})$  ( $k, n = 0, 1, \dots$ ) be a lower triangular infinite matrix of real numbers satisfying the following conditions :

- (i)  $d_{nk} \geq 0$  ( $k, n = 0, 1, \dots$ ),  $d_{nk} = 0, k > n$  and

$$\sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} = 1 \tag{1.3}$$

- (ii) for every  $k, d_{nk} \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ).

For  $f \in C_{2\pi}$ , its Fourier series is given by

$$\frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos kx + b_k \sin kx).$$

Define the linear means of Fourier series of  $f(x)$  by

$$t_n(f, x) = \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} s_k(x), \quad n = 0, 1, \dots \tag{1.4}$$

where  $s_k(x) = s_k(f, x)$  is the  $k$ th partial sum of Fourier series of  $f$ .

Throughout the paper we shall use the following notations :

$$\varphi_x(t) = f(x+t) + f(x-t) - 2f(x),$$

$$D_{nk} = \sum_{r=n-k+1}^n d_{nr},$$

$$D_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} \sin \left( k + \frac{1}{2} \right) x / \sin \frac{1}{2} x,$$

$[x]$ , the integral part of  $x$ .

## 2. INTRODUCTION

Prössdorf<sup>4</sup> and Mohapatra and Chandra<sup>3</sup> obtained some results on degree of approximation for the means (1.4) in the Hölder metric. Recently, Singh<sup>5</sup> established

the following two theorems by means of some results of Chandra<sup>1</sup> and a mediate function  $H(t)$  satisfying that

$$\int_t^\pi u^{-2} \omega(u) du = O(H(t)), \quad H(t) \geq 0 \quad \dots (2.1)$$

and

$$\int_0^t H(u) du = O(tH(t)) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow +0. \quad \dots (2.2)$$

**Theorem A** — Let  $D = (d_{nk})$  satisfy conditions (i) and (ii) of (1.3) and  $d_{nk} \leq d_{n,k+1}$  ( $k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1; n = 0, 1, \dots$ ). Then for  $f \in H_\omega, 0 \leq p < q \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x) - t_n(f, x)\|_{\omega^*} &= O \left[ \{\omega(|x-y|)\}^{p/q} \{\omega^*(|x-y|)\}^{-1} \right] \\ &\quad \times \{ (H(\pi/n))^{1-p/q} d_{nn} (n^{p/q} + d_{nn}^{p/q}) \} \\ &\quad + O(d_{nn} H(\pi/n)) \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2.3)$$

if  $\omega(t)$  satisfies (2.1) and (2.2), and

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x) - t_n(f, x)\|_{\omega^*} &= O \left[ \{\omega(|x-y|)\}^{p/q} \{\omega^*(|x-y|)\}^{-1} \right] \\ &\quad \times \{ (\omega(\pi/n))^{1-p/q} + d_{nn} n^{p/q} (H(\pi/n))^{1-p/q} \} \\ &\quad + O\{\omega(\pi/n) + d_{nn} H(\pi/n)\}, \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2.4)$$

if  $\omega(t)$  satisfies (2.1).

**Theorem B** — Let  $D = (d_{nk})$  satisfy conditions (i) and (ii) of (1.3) and  $d_{nk} \geq d_{n,k+1}$  ( $k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1; n = 0, 1, \dots$ ). And let  $\omega(t)$  satisfy (2.1) and (2.2). Then for  $f \in H_\omega, 0 \leq p < q \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x) - t_n(f, x)\|_{\omega^*} &= O \left[ \{\omega(|x-y|)\}^{p/q} \{\omega^*(|x-y|)\}^{-1} \right] \\ &\quad \times \{ d_{n0} (H(d_{n0}))^{1-p/q} (n^{p/q} + d_{n0}^{p/q}) \} \\ &\quad + O(d_{n0} H(d_{n0})). \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2.5)$$

In this paper we shall establish some results on degree of approximation directly by means of modulus of smoothness  $\omega_2(f, t)$ , not by the mediate function  $H(t)$ . These estimates are sharper than the ones of Singh<sup>5</sup>.

3. MAIN RESULTS

Our main results are the following.

*Theorem 3.1* — Let  $D = (d_{nk})$  satisfy conditions (i) and (ii) of (1.3) and

$$d_{nk} \leq d_{n,k+1} \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1; n = 0, 1, \dots).$$

And let  $\omega(t), \omega^*(t)$  satisfy (1.1). Then for  $f \in H_\omega$ ,

$$\|f(x) - t_n(f, x)\|_{\omega^*} = O(1) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk}/k \right)^{p/q} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk} \omega_2(f, k^{-1})/k \right)^{1-p/q} \dots \quad (3.1)$$

*Theorem 3.2* — Let  $D = (d_{nk})$  satisfy conditions (i) and (ii) of (1.3) and

$$d_{nk} \geq d_{n,k+1} \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1; n = 0, 1, \dots).$$

And let  $\omega(t), \omega^*(t)$  satisfy (1.1). Then for  $f \in H_\omega$ ,

$$\|f(x) - t_n(f, x)\|_{\omega^*} = O(1) \left( \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} \omega_2\left(f, \frac{1}{k+1}\right) \right)^{1-p/q} \dots \quad (3.2)$$

4. LEMMAS

We need the following Lemmas.

*Lemma 4.1<sup>6</sup>* — If  $d_{nk}$  is monotonic increasing for all  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . Then for  $\pi^{-1} \leq u \leq \pi$ ,

$$|D_n(x)| \leq (6\pi^2 + \pi) D_{n, (u^{-1})/u}, \dots \quad (4.1)$$

where  $(u^{-1}) := \max \{1, [u^{-1}]\}$ .

*Lemma 4.2* — Let  $\sigma_n(f, x) = (n+1)^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^n s_k(x)$  be the Fejér operator. Then we

have

$$\|f(x) - \sigma_n(f, x)\|_C = O(1) \int_0^\pi \omega_2(f, t) F_n(t) dt = O(R_n), \dots \quad (4.2)$$

where  $F_n(t)$  is the kernel of Fejér and  $R_n := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_2(f, 1/k)$ .

We omit the proof since it is similar to Theorem 7.10 of DeVore<sup>2</sup>.

5. PROOFS OF THEOREMS

*Proof of Theorem 3.1* — Set

$$E_n(x) = t_n(f, x) - f(x) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^\pi \varphi_x(t) D_n(t) dt$$

and

$$E_n(x, y) = E_n(x) - E_n(y) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^\pi (\varphi_x(t) - \varphi_y(t)) D_n(t) dt.$$

It is clear that

$$|\varphi_x(t) - \varphi_y(t)| \leq 4c \omega(|x - y|) \quad \dots (5.1)$$

and

$$|\varphi_x(t) - \varphi_y(t)| \leq 2\omega_2(f, |t|). \quad \dots (5.2)$$

Then, using (5.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} |E_n(x, y)| &\leq (2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^\pi |\varphi_x(t) - \varphi_y(t)| |D_n(t)| dt \\ &= O(\omega(|x - y|)) \int_0^\pi |D_n(t)| dt \quad \dots (5.3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= O(\omega(|x - y|)) \left( \int_0^{\pi/n} + \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \right) \\ &:= O(\omega(|x - y|)) (I_1 + I_2). \quad \dots (5.4) \end{aligned}$$

It is obvious that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &\leq \int_0^{\pi/n} \frac{1}{\sin 1/2 t} \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} |\sin(k + (1/2))t| dt \\ &= O(1) \int_0^{\pi/n} \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} (k + (1/2)) dt = O(1). \quad \dots (5.5) \end{aligned}$$

Using (4.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= O(1) \int_{\pi/n}^\pi D_{n, (r^{-1})} r^{-1} dt = O(1) \int_{1/\pi}^{n/\pi} r^{-1} D_{n, (t)} dt \\ &= O(1) \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \int_{k/\pi}^{(k+1)/\pi} r^{-1} D_{n, (t)} dt = O(1) \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} D_{n, k+1}/k \end{aligned}$$

$$= O(1) \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk}/k. \quad \dots (5.6)$$

Observing that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk}/k \geq \sum_{k=[n/2]}^n D_{nk}/k \geq D_{n, [n/2]} \sum_{k=[n/2]}^n \frac{1}{k} \geq \frac{1}{8}, \quad \dots (5.7)$$

and combining (5.4)-(5.6), we obtain

$$|E_n(x, y)| = O(\omega(|x - y|)) \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk}/k. \quad \dots (5.8)$$

On the other hand, using (5.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |E_n(x, y)| &= O(1) \int_0^\pi \omega_2(f, t) |D_n(t)| dt \\ &= O(1) \left\{ \int_0^{\pi/n} + \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \right\} \omega_2(f, t) |D_n(t)| dt := I'_1 + I'_2. \quad \dots (5.9) \end{aligned}$$

Applying the similar method, we obtain

$$I'_1 = O(1) \omega_2\left(f, \frac{1}{n}\right) \int_0^{\pi/n} |D_n(t)| dt = O(1) \omega_2\left(f, \frac{1}{n}\right), \quad \dots (5.10)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} I'_2 &= O(1) \int_{\pi/n}^\pi \omega_2(f, t) t^{-1} D_{n, (t^{-1})} dt \\ &= O(1) \int_{1/\pi}^{n/\pi} \omega_2(f, t^{-1}) t^{-1} D_{n, (t)} dt \\ &= O(1) \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \int_{k/\pi}^{(k+1)/\pi} \omega_2(f, t^{-1}) t^{-1} D_{n, (t)} dt \\ &= O(1) \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \omega_2(f, k^{-1}) D_{n, k+1}/k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk} \omega_2(f, 1/k)/k. \quad \dots (5.11) \end{aligned}$$

Noting (5.7) and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk} \omega_2(f, 1/k)/k &\geq \omega_2(f, 1/n) \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk}/k \\ &\geq \frac{1}{8} \omega_2\left(f, \frac{1}{n}\right) \geq c I_1' \end{aligned}$$

and combining (5.9)-(5.11), we obtain

$$|E_n(x, y)| = O(1) \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk} \omega_2(f, 1/k)/k. \quad \dots (5.12)$$

Therefore, using (5.8) and (5.12), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x, y} \frac{|E_n(x) - E_n(y)|}{\omega^*(|x - y|)} &= \max_{x, y} \left\{ \frac{|E_n(x) - E_n(y)|^{p/q}}{\omega^*(|x - y|)} |E_n(x) - E_n(y)|^{1-p/q} \right\} \\ &= O(1) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk}/k \right)^{p/q} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk} \omega_2(f, 1/k)/k \right)^{1-p/q}. \quad \dots (5.13) \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$|E_n(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi |\varphi_x(t)| |D_n(t)| dt \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \omega_2(f, t) |D_n(t)| dt,$$

from (5.9), we get

$$\|E_n(x)\|_C = O(1) \sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk} \omega_2(f, k^{-1})/k. \quad \dots (5.14)$$

Finally, (3.1) follows from (5.13), (5.14) and (5.7). □

*Proof of Theorem 3.2* — Applying the Abel transformation and noting  $d_{nk} \geq d_{n, k+1}$  ( $k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1$ ), we get

$$D_n(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n (k+1) F_k(t) (d_{nk} - d_{n, k+1}).$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n (d_{nk} - d_{n,k+1}) \frac{\sin^2 \frac{1}{2} (k+1)t}{\sin^2 \frac{1}{2} t} \geq 0. \quad \dots (5.15)$$

Hence, the kernel  $D_n(t)$  of the means (1.4) is positive. Using (5.1) and (5.3), we obtain in view of (1.3)

$$\begin{aligned} |E_n(x, y)| &= O(1) \omega(|x-y|) \int_0^\pi |D_n(t)| dt \\ &= O(1) \omega(|x-y|) \int_0^\pi D_n(t) dt = O(\omega(|x-y|)). \quad \dots (5.16) \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, from (5.2), (5.15) and (4.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |E_n(x, y)| &= O(1) \int_0^\pi \omega_2(f, t) D_n(t) dt \\ &= O(1) \sum_{k=0}^n (k+1) (d_{nk} - d_{n,k+1}) \int_0^\pi \omega_2(f, t) F_k(t) dt \\ &= O(1) \sum_{k=0}^n (k+1) (d_{nk} - d_{n,k+1}) R_k \\ &= O(1) \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} \omega_2\left(f, \frac{1}{k+1}\right). \quad \dots (5.17) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |E_n(x)| &= O(1) \int_0^\pi \omega_2(f, t) D_n(t) dt \\ &= O(1) \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} \omega_2\left(f, \frac{1}{k+1}\right). \quad \dots (5.18) \end{aligned}$$

Finally, using the same method of proof of Theorem 3.1, (3.2) follows from (5.16)-(5.18).  $\square$

## 6. REMARKS

(1) if  $d_{nk} \leq d_{n,k+1}$  ( $k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ ), then



$$\sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk}/k \leq nd_{nn}$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n D_{nk} \omega_2(f, k^{-1})/k \leq d_{nn} \sum_{k=1}^n \omega(f, k^{-1}) \leq d_{nn} \sum_{k=1}^n \omega(k^{-1}).$$

Since

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \omega(1/k) \sim \int_{\pi/n}^{\pi} t^{-2} \omega(t) dt = O(H(1/n)),$$

we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \left( \frac{D_{nk}}{k} \right)^{p/q} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{D_{nk} \omega_2(f, k^{-1})}{k} \right)^{1-p/q} = O(d_{nn}) n^{p/q} (H(\pi/n))^{1-p/q}.$$

This shows that estimate (3.1) is better than (2.3) and (2.4).

(2) Now, we prove that under conditions of Theorem 3.2 we always have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f(x) - t_n(f, x)\|_{\omega} = 0.$$

In fact, let  $\epsilon$  be an arbitrary given positive number, then there exists an integer  $N$  such that for every  $k > N$ ,

$$\omega\left(\frac{1}{k+1}\right) \leq \epsilon.$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} \omega\left(\frac{1}{k+1}\right) &\leq \sum_{k=0}^N d_{nk} \omega\left(\frac{1}{k+1}\right) + \epsilon \sum_{k=N+1}^n d_{nk} \\ &\leq \omega(1) \sum_{k=0}^N d_{nk} + \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty),$$

we have

$$\|f(x) - t_n(f, x)\|_{\omega^*} = O(1) \left( \sum_{k=0}^n d_{nk} \omega\left(\frac{1}{k+1}\right) \right)^{1-p/q} \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

(3) Now we give an example. Set

$$P_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{k+1} \sim \ln n,$$

and

$$d_{nk} = \frac{1}{(k+1)P_n} \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots, n).$$

Using Theorem B, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\bar{N}_n(f, x) - f(x)\|_{\omega^*} &= O(1) \left\{ \frac{1}{\ln n} \left( H\left(\frac{1}{\ln n}\right) \right)^{1-p/q} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \left( n^{p/q} + \frac{1}{\ln^{p/q} n} \right) + \frac{1}{\ln n} H\left(\frac{1}{\ln n}\right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Observing that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n^{p/q}}{\ln n} \left( H\left(\frac{1}{\ln n}\right) \right)^{1-p/q} &\geq c \frac{n^{p/q}}{\ln n} \left( \int_{1/\ln n}^{\pi} \frac{\omega(t)}{t^2} dt \right)^{1-p/q} \\ &= c \frac{n^{p/q}}{\ln n} \left( \int_{1/\pi}^{1/\ln n} \omega\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) dt \right)^{1-p/q} \geq c n^{p/q} \omega\left(\frac{1}{\ln n}\right) \\ &\geq c \omega(1) \frac{n^{p/q}}{\ln n} \rightarrow \infty \quad (n \rightarrow \infty, p > 0). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for this case we can not obtain useful estimate. On the other hand, if we use our Theorem 3.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\bar{N}_n(f, x) - f(x)\|_{\omega} &= O(1) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{(k+1) \ln n} \omega\left(f, \frac{1}{k}\right) \right)^{1-p/q} \\
&= O(1) \left( \sum_{k=1}^{[\ln n]} + \sum_{k=[\ln n]+1}^n \right)^{1-p/q} \\
&= O(1) \left( \frac{\ln \ln n}{\ln n} + \omega_2\left(f, \frac{1}{\ln n}\right) \right)^{1-p/q}
\end{aligned}$$

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