

## APPROXIMATION BY MODIFIED BERNSTEIN-BALAZS TYPE RATIONAL FUNCTIONS

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### ABSTRACT

This paper is devoted to the problem of approximation of continuously differentiable functions by the modified Balazs-Bernstein type rational functions.

The theorem on the order of approximation, in terms of modulus of continuity, and the Voronovskaja type theorem are established.

### INTRODUCTION

C. Balazs [1] introduced the Bernstein type rational functions

$$R_n(f, x) = \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) P_{k,n}(x), \quad P_{k,n}(x) = \binom{n}{k} (a_n x)^k \quad (1)$$

and proved that if  $f$  is continuous in  $[0, \infty)$ ,  $f(x) = O(e^{\alpha x})$  ( $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ) then in any interval  $[0, A]$ , ( $A > 0$ ) the estimate

$$|f(x) - R_n(f, x)| \leq c_0 \left[ w_{2A}\left(\frac{1}{n^{1/3}}\right) + \frac{1}{n^{2/3}} \right], \quad 0 \leq x \leq A$$

holds for sufficiently large  $n$ 's with  $a_n = b_n/n$ ,  $b_n = n^{2/3}$ , where  $c_0$  depends only on  $\alpha$  and  $A$ , and  $w_{2A}(\cdot)$  is the modulus of continuity of  $f$  on the interval  $[0, 2A]$  (see also, [2], [3]).

The following theorems on the approximation of a function by the Bernstein polynomials  $B_n(f, x)$  are well known.

**Theorem A** (G.G. Lorentz [4], p.20). If  $f(x)$  is continuous and  $w(\delta)$  is the modulus of continuity of  $f$ , then

$$|f(x) - B_n(f, x)| \leq \frac{5}{4} w(n^{-1/2}).$$

**Theorem B** (G.G. Lorentz [4], p.21). If  $w_1(\delta)$  is the modulus of continuity of  $f'(x)$ ,

$$|f(x) - B_n(f, x)| \leq \frac{3}{4} n^{-1/2} \omega_1(n^{-1/2}),$$

where  $f'$  is the continuous derivative of  $f$ .

In the present paper we define modified Bernstein- Balazs type rational functions and prove theorems on approximation by them.

Let  $f$  be a real, single valued function defined in  $[0, \infty)$ . We consider functions which have continuous derivative  $f'$  in the interval  $[0, A]$  and we modify the functions in (1) as follows

$$R_n^*(f, x) = \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) P_{k,n}(x) + \frac{a_n x^2}{1 + a_n x} f'(x), \quad (2)$$

where  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  are suitable chosen real numbers, independent of  $x$ . We call the functions in (2) modified Bernstein-Balazs type functions.

In this paper we give an estimation for the rate of convergence of the functions in (2) and prove an asymptotic approximation theorem and show that the derivatives of the functions in (2) also converge to the derivative of the function.

In [1], C. Balazs proved the following auxiliary result:

**Lemma C** ([1], p. 124). If  $x \geq 0$ , then the following identities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n P_{k,n}(x) &= 1 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots), \\ \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n (k - b_n x) P_{k,n}(x) &= \frac{-a_n b_n x^2}{1 + a_n x}, \\ \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n (k - b_n x)^2 P_{k,n}(x) &= \frac{a_n^2 b_n^2 x^4 + b_n x}{(1 + a_n x)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, we consider the functions which have continuous derivative  $f'$  in  $[0, A]$ . Let  $\omega_1(f', x)$  be the modulus of continuity of  $f'$  in  $[0, 2A]$ .

(In what follows  $c_i$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots$  will denote constants independent of  $n$ .)

**Theorem 1.** Let  $R_n^*(f, x)$  be the functions defined by (2) with  $a_n = b_n/n, b_n = n^{2/3}$ . Then the inequality

$$\left| R_n^*(f, x) - f(x) \right| \leq c_2 n^{-1/3} \omega_1(f', n^{-1/2})$$

holds for sufficiently large  $n$ 's.

Proof. By Lagrange's theorem we can write

$$f\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) - f(x) = \left(\frac{k}{b_n} - x\right) f'(\xi), x < \xi < \frac{k}{b_n}.$$

Considering the properties of modulus of continuity, we get

$$|f'(x) - f'(\xi)| \leq w_1(f', \delta)(\delta^{-1}|x - \xi| + 1), x < \xi < k/b_n,$$

and

$$|f'(x) - f'(\xi)| \leq w_1(f', \delta) \left( \delta^{-1} \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| + 1 \right). \tag{3}$$

Evidently, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} R_n^*(f, x) - f(x) &= \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \left[ f\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) - f(x) \right] P_{k,n}(x) + \frac{a_n x^2}{1 + a_n x} f'(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{k}{b_n} - x\right) f'(x) P_{k,n}(x) + \frac{a_n x^2}{1 + a_n x} f'(x) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{k}{b_n} - x\right) (f'(\xi) - f'(x)) P_{k,n}(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{k}{b_n} - x\right) (f'(\xi) - f'(x)) P_{k,n}(x). \end{aligned}$$

By (3) we can write

$$\begin{aligned} |R_n^*(f, x) - f(x)| &\leq \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| |f'(\xi) - f'(x)| P_{k,n}(x) \\ &\leq \frac{w_1(f', x)}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| \left( \delta^{-1} \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| + 1 \right) P_{k,n}(x) \\ &= \frac{w_1(f', x)}{\delta} \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{k}{b_n} - x\right)^2 P_{k,n}(x) \\ &\quad + w_1(f', x) \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| P_{k,n}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma C, we get

$$|R_n^*(f, x) - f(x)| \leq \frac{w_1(f', x)}{\delta} \frac{a_n^2 x^4 + \frac{x}{b_n}}{(1 + a_n x)^2} + w_1(f', x) S \tag{4}$$

where

$$S = \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| P_{k,n}(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{(1+a_n x)^n} \left( \sum_{\substack{k \\ b_n \leq 2A}} \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| P_{k,n}(x) + \sum_{\substack{k \\ b_n \geq 2A}} \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| P_{k,n}(x) \right) \\
&= S_1 + S_2
\end{aligned}$$

Now we find an estimate for  $S$ . Using the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, then considering Lemma C we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
S_1 &= \frac{1}{b_n} \left( \frac{1}{(1+a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n (k - b_n x)^2 P_{k,n}(x) \right)^{1/2} \\
&= \frac{1}{b_n} \left( \frac{a_n^2 b_n^2 x^4 + b_n x}{(1+a_n x)^2} \right)^{1/2} \\
&\leq c_2 n^{-1/3}.
\end{aligned}$$

The estimation of  $S_2$  is an easy consequence of Lemma C, if  $\delta$  is chosen small enough:

$$\begin{aligned}
S_2 &= \frac{1}{(1+a_n x)^n} \sum_{\substack{k \\ b_n \geq 2A}} \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| P_{k,n}(x) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{(1+a_n x)^n} \sum_{\left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| \geq \delta} \left| \frac{k}{b_n} - x \right| P_{k,n}(x) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{(1+a_n x)^n b_n^2} \sum_{k=0}^n (k - b_n x)^2 P_{k,n}(x) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{b_n^2} \frac{a_n^2 b_n^2 x^4 + b_n x}{(1+a_n x)^2} \\
&\leq n^{-2/3} x^4 + n^{-2/3} x \\
&\leq c_3 n^{-2/3}.
\end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  in  $S$ , by (4) we obtain the desired result.

E. V. Voronovskaja [5] proved for the Bernstein polynomials that

$$B_n(f, x) = f(x) + \frac{f''(x)}{2n} x(1-x) + \frac{\rho_n}{n}, \quad (5)$$

if  $f(x)$  is bounded in  $[0, 1]$ , and has a finite second derivative at a certain point  $x$  of  $[0, 1]$ . In (5)  $\rho_n$  tends to zero with  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Now we prove an asymptotic approximation theorem similar to (5) for Bernstein-Balazs type rational functions defined in (2).

**Theorem 2.** Let  $f(t)$  be a function defined in  $[0, \infty)$ , for which  $f(t) = O(e^{\alpha t}) (t \rightarrow \infty, \alpha$  fixed), then at each point  $t=x$ , for which  $f''(t)$  exists and is finite

$$R_n^*(f, x) - f(x) = f''(x) \frac{a_n^2 b_n^2 x^4 + x}{2b_n(1 + a_n x)^2} + r_n,$$

where  $r_n \rightarrow 0$   $a_n = \frac{b_n}{n} \rightarrow 0$  and  $\frac{n^{1/2}}{b_n} \rightarrow 0$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Proof.** Since  $f''$  exists we can write

$$f\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) = f(x) + f'(x)\left(\frac{k}{b_n} - x\right) + \left[\frac{f''(x)}{2} + \lambda\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right)\right]\left(\frac{k}{b_n} - x\right)^2$$

where  $\lambda\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) \rightarrow 0$  if  $\frac{k}{b_n} \rightarrow x$ .

Substituting this expression in  $R_n^*(f, x)$  and taking into account the identities in Lemma C we get

$$\begin{aligned} R_n^*(f, x) &= \frac{f(x)}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n P_{k,n}(x) + \frac{f'(x)}{(1 + a_n x)^n b_n} \sum_{k=0}^n (k - b_n x) P_{k,n}(x) \\ &+ \frac{f''(x)}{2(1 + a_n x)^n b_n^2} \sum_{k=0}^n (k - b_n x)^2 P_{k,n}(x) \\ &+ \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \lambda\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) \left(\frac{k}{b_n} - x\right)^2 P_{k,n}(x) + \frac{a_n x^2}{1 + a_n x} f'(x) \\ &= f(x) + \frac{f''(x) a_n^2 x^4 + \frac{x}{b_n}}{2(1 + a_n x)^2} + r_n \\ r_n &= \frac{1}{(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \lambda\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) \left(\frac{k}{b_n} - x\right)^2 P_{k,n}(x). \end{aligned}$$

It can be easily seen that  $r_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  (see [1]), so the theorem is proved.

Now we prove that the derivatives of the functions in (2) converge to the derivative of function. In [1], C. Balazs proved that the derivatives of Bernstein type rational functions,  $R'_n(f; x)$  converge to derivative of the function,  $f'(x)$ , when the interval of convergence is  $[0, A]$ .

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f \in C[0, \infty)$  and let the derivative  $f''$  exists such that the inequality  $|f''(t)| \leq M_{f''} e^{\alpha t}$  holds. Then, for  $a_n = b_n/n$  and  $b_n = n^{2/3}$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} R_n^*(f; x) - f'(x) \right| = 0.$$

Proof. First consider the case  $x > 0$ : Obviously, we get

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} R_n^*(f; x) = R'_n(f; x) + \frac{2a_n x + a_n^2 x^2}{(1 + a_n x)^2} f'(x) + \frac{a_n x^2}{1 + a_n x} f''(x) \tag{6}$$

where  $R'_n(f; x)$  is derivatives of Bernstein type rational functions, by defined (1). Using Lemma C, it can be seen that

$$R'_n(f; x) = \frac{1}{x(1 + a_n x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) P_{k,n}(x)(k - b_n x) + \frac{a_n b_n x}{(1 + a_n x)^{n+1}} \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{b_n}\right) P_{k,n}(x).$$

It is known that (see [1])

$$R'_n(f, x) \rightarrow f'(x), n \rightarrow \infty$$

when  $x > 0$ . Thus, from (6) we can write

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} R_n^*(f; x) - f'(x) \right| \leq \frac{2a_n x + a_n^2 x^2}{(1 + a_n x)^2} |f'(x)| + \frac{a_n x^2}{1 + a_n x} |f''(x)| + |R'_n(f, x) - f'(x)|.$$

Since the derivatives are bounded and from (7) we obtain

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} R_n^*(f; x) - f'(x) \right| \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

If  $x=0$ , C. Balazs [1] showed that

$$R'_n(f; x)|_{x=0} \rightarrow f'(0).$$

Therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} R_n^*(f; x) - f'(x) \right| = 0$$

which completes the proof

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