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## Durrmeyer type operators on a simplex

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**ABSTRACT.** The paper contains the definition and certain approximation properties of a sequence of Durrmeyer type operators on a simplex, which preserve affine functions and make a link between the multidimensional "genuine" Durrmeyer operators and the multidimensional Bernstein operators.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Durrmeyer operators introduced in [10] and independently by Lupaş [17], were one of the most fecund source of inspiration in approximation by positive linear operators. They were be known especially after the paper by Derriennic [7]. In References, we give only a very partial review of contributions in this field. The extension to Jacobi weight was considered by the author in [20], see also [21], [5]. The limit of Durrmeyer operators with Jacobi weight yields the so named "genuine" Durrmeyer operators considered firstly by Chen [6], Goodman and Sharma [14], see also [19], [26], [11]. The eigen-structure of this operators was studied in [22]. For other modifications of Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators mention [18], [27], [16], [3], [1], [15].

In this paper, we are especially interested in the following modification. In [24], there was constructed a family of operators depending on a parameter  $\rho$ , with property that they preserve linear functions, which make a link between the genuine-Durrmeyer operators and the Bernstein operators in the following mode:

$$\mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f)(x) = (1-x)^n f(0) + x^n f(1) + \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\int_0^1 f(t) t^{k\rho-1} (1-t)^{(n-k)\rho-1} dt}{B(k\rho, (n-k)\rho)} p_{n,k}(x),$$

where  $p_{n,k}(x) = \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k}$ , ( $0 \leq k \leq n$ ),  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ . For  $\rho = 1$ , these operators coincide with genuine-Durrmeyer operators and on the other hand  $\lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{U}_n^\rho = B_n$ , where  $B_n$  are the Bernstein operators. These operators are studied more completely in Gonska and the author in [12]. The eigen-structure of operators  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho$  was given in Gonska, Raşa, Stănilă [13].

The extension of Durrmeyer operators on a simplex is very natural. Mention that the first Durrmeyer operators on a simplex were considered by Derriennic [8]. The multidimensional Durrmeyer operators with Jacobi weight were considered by Ditzian [9] and the equivalent of

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the "genuine"-Durrmeyer operators on a simplex are given by Waldron [28]. The genuine Durrmeyer operators on a simplex preserves affine functions. The generalization of the Durrmeyer operators on a simplex with regard to a arbitrary measure was made by Berdysheva and Jetter [4], see also [25].

The aim of this paper is to extend operators  $U_n^\rho$  on a simplex, obtaining the family of operators  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho$ , which preserve affine functions.

We also construct an additional class of operators  $\mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}$ , depending on a scalar parameter  $\rho$  and on a vector parameter  $\mathbf{a}$  and we prove that operators  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho$  are the limit of operators  $\mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}$  when  $\mathbf{a} \rightarrow (-1, \dots, -1)$ . This class of operators  $\mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}$  allows to obtain more simply certain properties of operators  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho$ .

## 2. PRELIMINARIES AND DEFINITIONS

Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ . For any vector  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_p)$ , denote  $|\mathbf{x}| = x_1 + \dots + x_p$ . For any  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , consider the standard simplex in  $\mathbb{R}^p$ .

$$\Delta_p = \{(x_1, \dots, x_p) \mid x_i \geq 0, \quad |\mathbf{x}| \leq 1\}.$$

If  $g \in C(\Delta_p)$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ , denote by  $\int_{\Delta_p} g$  the volume integral of  $g$  on  $\Delta_p$ .

Fix  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Denote  $\mathbf{e}_k = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^m, (1 \leq k \leq m)$ , where the digit 1 appears at the  $k$ -th place. Denote also  $\mathbf{e}_0 = (0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .

Let  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Denote the Euclidean norm of  $\mathbf{x}$  by  $\|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_m^2}$ , and the  $L_1$  norm of  $\mathbf{x}$  by  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = |x_1| + \dots + |x_m|$ . If  $f \in C(\Delta_m)$ , denote  $\|f\| = \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m} |f(\mathbf{x})|$ .

For vectors  $\mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , denote

$$\Delta_{[\mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p]} = \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^p t_i \mathbf{v}_i \mid t_0, \dots, t_p \geq 0, t_0 + \dots + t_p = 1 \right\},$$

the simplex with vertices  $\mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p$ . Numbers  $t_0, \dots, t_p$  are the barycenter coordinates of a point in  $\Delta_{[\mathbf{v}_0, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p]}$ . Note that  $\Delta_m = \Delta_{[\mathbf{e}_0, \dots, \mathbf{e}_m]}$ .

Fix also a number  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Put

$$\Lambda = \{\mathbf{k} = (k_0, \dots, k_m) \mid \mathbf{k} \geq 0, \quad |\mathbf{k}| = n\}.$$

For  $\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda$ , denote  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} := \{i \in \{0, 1, \dots, m\} \mid k_i > 0\}$ . If  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} = \{i_0 < \dots < i_p\}$ , define  $D_{\mathbf{k}} = \Delta_{[\mathbf{e}_{i_0}, \dots, \mathbf{e}_{i_p}]}$ .

If  $g \in C(D_{\mathbf{k}})$ , denote by  $\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} g d\sigma$  the integral of  $g$  on  $D_{\mathbf{k}}$ . In the case when  $D_{\mathbf{k}} = \Delta_m$ ,  $\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} g d\sigma = \int_{\Delta_m} g$ . If  $g \in C(\Delta_m)$ , then the restriction of  $g$  to  $D_{\mathbf{k}}$  is denoted also by  $g$ .

For  $\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda$ , with  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} = \{i_0 < \dots < i_p\}$  consider function  $\theta_{\mathbf{k}} : \Delta_p \rightarrow D_{\mathbf{k}}$  defined by

$$(2.1) \quad \theta_{\mathbf{k}}(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) = \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \mathbf{e}_{i_s} + \left( 1 - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \right) \mathbf{e}_{i_0}, \quad (x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) \in \Delta_p.$$

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda$ , with  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} = \{i_0 < \dots < i_p\}$ .*

i) *If  $i_0 = 0$ , then*

$$(2.2) \quad \int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} g d\sigma = \int_{\Delta_p} g \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}, \quad g \in C(D_{\mathbf{k}});$$

ii) *If  $i_0 > 0$ , then*

$$(2.3) \quad \int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} g d\sigma = \sqrt{p+1} \int_{\Delta_p} g \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}, \quad g \in C(D_{\mathbf{k}}).$$

*Proof.* Let prove ii). We have  $\theta(\Delta_p) = D_{\mathbf{k}}$ . We can write  $\theta_{\mathbf{k}}(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) = \mathbf{e}_{i_0} + \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} (\mathbf{e}_{i_s} - \mathbf{e}_{i_0})$ . Then  $\frac{\partial \theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{\partial x_{i_s}} = \mathbf{e}_{i_s} - \mathbf{e}_{i_0}$ . Hence

$$\det[\partial \theta_{\mathbf{k}} \cdot (\partial \theta_{\mathbf{k}})^T] := \det \left[ \left\langle \frac{\partial \theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{\partial x_{i_s}}, \frac{\partial \theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{\partial x_{i_t}} \right\rangle \right]_{1 \leq s, t \leq p} = \det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 2 \end{pmatrix} = p + 1.$$

Then,

$$\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} g d\sigma = \int_{\Delta_p} (g \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}) \sqrt{\det[\partial \theta_{\mathbf{k}} \cdot (\partial \theta_{\mathbf{k}})^T]} = \sqrt{p+1} \int_{\Delta_p} g \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}.$$

Using the same method, point i) is immediate.  $\square$

Let  $\mathbf{k} = (k_0, \dots, k_m) \in \Lambda$ . For  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \Delta_m$ , denote

$$p_{n, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) = \binom{n}{k_0 \ k_1 \ \dots \ k_m} (1 - |\mathbf{x}|)^{k_0} (x_1)^{k_1} \dots (x_m)^{k_m},$$

where

$$\binom{n}{k_0 \ k_1 \ \dots \ k_m} = \frac{n!}{k_0! k_1! \dots k_m!}.$$

The Bernstein operators on the simplex  $\Delta_m$  are given by

$$(2.4) \quad \mathbb{B}_n(f)(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda} f\left(\frac{\mathbf{k}}{n}\right) p_{n, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}), \quad f \in C(\Delta_m), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m.$$

Fix a number  $\rho > 0$ . For  $\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda$  such that  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} = \{i_0, \dots, i_p\}$  consider function  $Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho : D_{\mathbf{k}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$(2.5) \quad Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho \left( \sum_{s=0}^p t_s \mathbf{e}_{i_s} \right) = \prod_{s=0}^p t_s^{k_{i_s} \rho - 1}, \quad \sum_{s=0}^p t_s \mathbf{e}_{i_s} \in D_{\mathbf{k}}.$$

For  $\beta = (\beta_0, \dots, \beta_p)$ ,  $b_0, \dots, b_p > 0$ , consider multidimensional beta function

$$B(\beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\beta_0) \dots \Gamma(\beta_p)}{\Gamma(|\beta|)},$$

where  $\Gamma$  is gamma function. If  $p = 0$ , then  $B(\beta) = 1$ .

Let  $\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda$ ,  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} = \{i_0 < \dots < i_p\}$ . From relation (2.5) and relations (2.2) and (2.3), it follows that

$$(2.6) \quad \int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho d\sigma = B(k_{i_0} \rho, \dots, k_{i_p} \rho), \quad \text{if } i_0 = 0;$$

$$(2.7) \quad \int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho d\sigma = \sqrt{p+1} B(k_{i_0} \rho, \dots, k_{i_p} \rho), \quad \text{if } i_0 > 0.$$

**Definition 2.1.** Operators  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho : C(\Delta_m) \rightarrow C(\Delta_m)$  are defined by

$$(2.8) \quad \mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f)(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda} F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^\rho(f) p_{n, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}), \quad f \in C(\Delta_m), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m,$$

where

$$(2.9) \quad F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^\rho(f) = \frac{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} f Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho d\sigma}{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho d\sigma}, \quad \mathbf{k} \in \Lambda, \quad f \in C(\Delta_m).$$

**Remark 2.1.** For  $\rho = 1$ , operators  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho$  coincide with operators constructed by Waldron [28].

**Definition 2.2.** For a vector  $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_m)$ , with  $a_i > -1$ ,  $(0 \leq i \leq m)$ ,  $\rho \geq 1$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  define

$$(2.10) \quad \mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(f, \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda} F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(f) p_{n, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}), \quad f \in C(\Delta_m), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m,$$

where

$$(2.11) \quad F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(f) = \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} f P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}, \quad f \in C(\Delta_m), \quad \mathbf{k} \in \Lambda$$

and

$$P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{s=0}^m x_s^{k_s \rho + a_s}, \quad \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \Delta_m, \quad x_0 = 1 - |\mathbf{x}|.$$

### 3. LINK PROPERTIES

**Theorem 3.1.** For any  $\rho \geq 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $f \in C(\Delta_m)$ , we have

$$(3.12) \quad \lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} \mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(f)(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{U}_n^{\rho}(f)(\mathbf{x}), \quad \text{uniformly for } \mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m,$$

where  $-1 = (-1, \dots, -1) \in \mathbb{N}^{m+1}$ .

*Proof.* It is sufficient to show that

$$(3.13) \quad \lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(f) = F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^{\rho}(f), \quad \mathbf{k} \in \Lambda, \quad f \in C(\Delta_m).$$

If  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} = \{0, 1, \dots, m\}$ , then it is possible to pass to limit  $\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1$  by simple replacement  $\rho = -1$ , because

$$\lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(f) = \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho}) \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho} \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}} = \frac{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} f Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho} d\sigma}{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho} d\sigma}$$

and these integrals exist.

In the sequel, we consider that  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} = \{i_0 < \dots < i_p\} \subset \{0, 1, \dots, m\}$ , with  $p < m$ . Also, we denote  $\{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_m\} := \{0, 1, \dots, m\} \setminus \text{supp } \mathbf{k}$ .

If  $p = 0$ , then  $D_{\mathbf{k}} = \{e_{i_0}\}$  and  $\pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) = e_{i_0}$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m$ . Then  $\frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} = f(e_{i_0})$  and on the

other hand it follows  $F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^{\rho}(f) = \frac{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} (f Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho}) \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho} \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}} = f(e_{i_0})$  and (3.13) is clear. We consider now that  $p \geq 1$ . We have to consider two cases.

Case 1.  $0 \notin \text{supp } \mathbf{k}$ . Then,  $0 \in \{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_m\}$ . Consider function  $\pi_{\mathbf{k}} : \Delta_m \rightarrow D_{\mathbf{k}}$ , given by

$$\pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \mathbf{e}_{i_s} + \left(1 - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}\right) \mathbf{e}_{i_0}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m.$$

Hence  $D_{\mathbf{k}} = \Delta_{[e_{i_0}, \dots, e_{i_p}]} = \pi(\Delta_m)$ . We decompose

$$(3.14) \quad F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(f) = \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} + \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f - f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}.$$

We show that

$$(3.15) \quad \lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} = F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^{\rho}(f).$$

We can write

$$\int_{\Delta_m} (f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}} = \int_0^1 dx_{i_1} \int_0^{1-x_{i_1}} dx_{i_2} \dots \int_0^{1-\sum_{s=1}^{p-1} x_{i_s}} f(\pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})) \prod_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}^{k_{i_s} \rho + a_{i_s}} V_{\mathbf{k}}(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) dx_{i_p},$$

where

$$V_{\mathbf{k}}(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) = \int_0^{1-\sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}} dx_{i_{p+1}} \dots \int_0^{1-\sum_{s=1}^{m-1} x_{i_s}} x_{i_0}^{k_{i_0} \rho + a_{i_0}} \prod_{s=p+1}^m x_{i_s}^{a_{i_s}} dx_{i_m},$$

where  $x_{i_0} = 1 - \sum_{s=1}^m x_{i_s}$ . Denote  $u = 1 - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}$ . Using the change of variables  $x_{i_s} = uy_{i_s}$ ,  $p + 1 \leq s \leq m$  one obtains  $x_{i_0} = u \left( 1 - \sum_{s=p+1}^m y_{i_s} \right)$  and then

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\mathbf{k}}(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) &= u^{m-p+\sum_{s=p+1}^m a_{i_s} + a_{i_0} + \rho k_{i_0}} B(\rho k_{i_0} + a_{i_0} + 1, a_{i_{p+1}} + 1, \dots, a_{i_m} + 1) \\ &= u^{m-p+\sum_{s=p+1}^m a_{i_s} + a_{i_0} + \rho k_{i_0}} \frac{\Gamma(k_{i_0} \rho + a_{i_0} + 1) \prod_{s=p+1}^m \Gamma(a_{i_s} + 1)}{\Gamma\left(a_{i_0} + \sum_{s=p+1}^m a_{i_s} + \rho k_{i_0} + m - p + 1\right)}. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$(3.16) \quad \int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}} = \frac{\prod_{s=0}^p \Gamma(k_{i_s} \rho + a_{i_s} + 1) \prod_{s=p+1}^m \Gamma(a_{i_s} + 1)}{\Gamma(|\mathbf{a}| + n\rho + m + 1)}.$$

By combining the relations above, we get

$$(3.17) \quad \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} = \int_0^1 dx_{i_1} \int_0^{1-x_{i_1}} dx_{i_2} \dots \int_0^{1-\sum_{s=1}^{p-1} x_{i_s}} f(\pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})) T_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{a}}(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) dx_{i_p},$$

where

$$(3.18) \quad \begin{aligned} T_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{a}}(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) &= \frac{\Gamma(|\mathbf{a}| + n\rho + m + 1)}{\Gamma\left(a_{i_0} + \sum_{s=p+1}^m a_{i_s} + \rho k_{i_0} + m - p + 1\right) \prod_{s=1}^p \Gamma(k_{i_s} \rho + a_{i_s} + 1)} \\ &\times \prod_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}^{k_{i_s} \rho + a_{i_s}} \left( 1 - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \right)^{m-p+\sum_{s=p+1}^m a_{i_s} + k_{i_0} \rho + a_{i_0}}. \end{aligned}$$

It is possible to pass to limit  $\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1$  in (3.18) and it follows

$$(3.19) \quad \lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} T_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{a}}(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) = \frac{\Gamma(n\rho)}{\prod_{s=0}^p \Gamma(k_{i_s} \rho)} \prod_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}^{k_{i_s} \rho - 1} \left( 1 - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \right)^{\rho k_{i_0} - 1}.$$

By taking into account relations (3.17), (3.19), (2.5), (2.7), (2.3) and then (2.9), we have successively

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} &= \frac{\int_{\Delta_p} (f \cdot Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho}) \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{B(k_{i_0} \rho, \dots, k_{i_p} \rho)} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{p+1} \int_{\Delta_p} (f \cdot Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho}) \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{\sqrt{p+1} B(k_{i_0} \rho, \dots, k_{i_p} \rho)} \\ &= \frac{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} f \cdot Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho} d\sigma}{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho} d\sigma} \\ &= F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^{\rho}(f). \end{aligned}$$

So that relation (3.15) was proved. Now, we show that

$$(3.20) \quad \lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f - f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} = 0.$$

Consider on  $\mathbb{R}^m$  the norm  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1$ , defined in the beginning. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . There exist  $0 < \delta < 1$ , such that if  $\mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m$ ,  $\|\mathbf{x} - \pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})\| < \delta$ , then  $|f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}))| < \varepsilon$ . Decompose  $\Delta_m = A \cup B$ , where  $A = \{\mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m \mid \|\mathbf{x} - \pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})\|_1 < \delta\}$  and  $B = \Delta_m \setminus A$ . Then

$$(3.21) \quad \left| \frac{\int_A (f - f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} \right| \leq \varepsilon.$$

Let  $\mathbf{x} \in B$ . We have

$$\mathbf{x} - \pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \mathbf{e}_j - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \mathbf{e}_{i_s} - \left(1 - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}\right) \mathbf{e}_{i_0} = \sum_{s=p+1}^m x_{i_s} \mathbf{e}_{i_s} + \left(-1 + \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}\right) \mathbf{e}_{i_0}.$$

Therefore

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})\|_1 = \sum_{s=p+1}^m x_{i_s} \mathbf{e}_{i_s} + 1 - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} = x_0 + 2 \sum_{s=p+1}^m x_{i_s}.$$

Since  $x_0 \in \{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_m\}$ , it results  $\|\mathbf{x} - \pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})\|_1 \leq 3 \sum_{s=p+1}^m x_{i_s}$ . It follows that there is at least an index  $j \in \{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_m\}$ , such that  $x_j \geq \frac{\delta}{3m}$ . Define

$$B_j = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m \mid x_j \geq \frac{\delta}{3m} \right\}, \quad j \in \{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_m\}.$$

From above, it follows that  $B \subset \bigcup_{j \in \{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_m\}} B_j$ . Therefore

$$\left| \frac{\int_B (f - f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} \right| \leq \frac{2\|f\| \int_B P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} \leq 2\|f\| \sum_{j \in \{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_m\}} \frac{\int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}.$$

We show that

$$(3.22) \quad \lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} \frac{\int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} = 0, \quad j \in \{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_m\}.$$

We can consider that  $a_j < 0$ , ( $0 \leq j \leq m$ ). Let  $j = i_r$ , with  $p+1 \leq r \leq m$ . In integral  $\int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}$  if we make the change of variables:  $x_j = \frac{\delta}{3m} + (1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}) y_j$  and  $x_\ell = (1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}) y_\ell$ , for

$\ell \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus \{j\}$ . Also  $x_0 = \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}\right) y_0$ , where  $y_0 = 1 - (y_1 + \dots + y_m)$ . Then, we have the equivalence  $(x_1, \dots, x_m) \in B_j \iff (y_1, \dots, y_m) \in \Delta_m$ . We get

$$\int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}} = \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}\right)^{m+n\rho+|\mathbf{a}|-a_{i_r}} \int_{\Delta_m} \prod_{s=0}^p y_{i_s}^{k_{i_s}\rho+a_{i_s}} \prod_{s=p+1, s \neq r}^m y_{i_s}^{a_{i_s}} \left(\frac{\delta}{3m} + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}\right) y_{i_r}\right)^{a_{i_r}}.$$

Since  $a_{i_r} < 0$  and  $\frac{\delta}{3m} < 1$ , we obtain  $\left(\frac{\delta}{3m} + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}\right) y_{i_r}\right)^{a_{i_r}} \leq \left(\frac{\delta}{3m}\right)^{a_{i_r}} \leq \left(\frac{\delta}{3m}\right)^{-1} = \frac{3m}{\delta}$ . Consequently

$$\int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}} \leq \frac{3m}{\delta} \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}\right)^{m+n\rho+|\mathbf{a}|-a_{i_r}} \frac{\prod_{s=0}^p \Gamma(k_{i_s}\rho + a_{i_s} + 1) \prod_{s=p+1, s \neq r}^m \Gamma(a_{i_s} + 1)\Gamma(1)}{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| - a_{i_r} + m + 1)}.$$

By taking into account relation (3.16), it results:

$$\frac{\int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} \leq \frac{3m}{\delta} \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}\right)^{m+n\rho+|\mathbf{a}|-a_{i_r}} \frac{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 1)}{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| - a_{i_r} + m + 1)\Gamma(a_{i_r} + 1)}.$$

But

$$\lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}\right)^{m+n\rho+|\mathbf{a}|-a_{i_r}} \frac{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 1)}{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| - a_{i_r} + m + 1)} = \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{3m}\right)^{n\rho} \frac{\Gamma(n\rho)}{\Gamma(n\rho + 1)}$$

and  $\lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -1} \Gamma(a_{i_r} + 1) = \infty$ . Then, one obtains relation (3.22).

Case 2.  $i_0 = 0$ . Then  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} = \{0 = i_0 < i_1 < \dots < i_p\}$ , where  $0 \leq p \leq m - 1$ . Define the function  $\pi_{\mathbf{k}} : \Delta_m \rightarrow D_{\mathbf{k}}$ , by

$$\pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \mathbf{e}_{i_s}, \quad \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \Delta_m.$$

The method of the proof is similar as in Case 1. Consider the decomposition of the form given in (3.14). First, we show the corresponding relation (3.15). For  $(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) \in \Delta_p$ , we denote

$$U(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p}) = \left\{ (x_{i_{p+1}}, \dots, x_{i_m}) \mid x_{i_s} \geq 0, (p + 1 \leq s \leq m), \sum_{s=p+1}^m x_{i_s} \leq 1 - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \right\}.$$

Then, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Delta_m} (f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) \cdot P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}} \\ &= \int_{\Delta_p} f \left( \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \mathbf{e}_{i_s} \right) \prod_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}^{k_{i_s}\rho+a_{i_s}} dx_{i_1} \dots dx_{i_p} \\ & \times \int_{U(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p})} \prod_{s=p+1}^m x_{i_s}^{a_{i_s}} x_0^{k_0\rho+a_0} dx_{i_{p+1}} \dots dx_{i_m}. \end{aligned}$$

Denote  $u = 1 - x_{i_1} - \dots - x_{i_p}$ . Using the change of variables  $x_\ell = uy_{i_\ell}$ ,  $p + 1 \leq \ell \leq m$  in the interior integral, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{U(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_p})} \prod_{s=p+1}^m x_{i_s}^{a_{i_s}} x_0^{k_0\rho+a_0} dx_{i_{p+1}} \dots dx_{i_m} \\ &= u^{m-p+a_0+a_{i_{p+1}}+\dots+a_{i_m}+k_0\rho} B(k_0\rho + a_0 + 1, a_{i_{p+1}} + 1, \dots, a_{i_m} + 1). \end{aligned}$$

By taking also into account relation (3.16), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f \circ \pi) \cdot P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} \\ &= \int_{\Delta_p} f \left( \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \mathbf{e}_{i_s} \right) \prod_{s=1}^p x_{i_s}^{k_{i_s}\rho+a_{i_s}} \left( 1 - \sum_{s=1}^p x_{i_s} \right)^{m-p+a_0+\sum_{s=p+1}^m a_{i_s}+k_0\rho} dx_{i_1} \dots dx_{i_p} \\ & \times \frac{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 1)}{\Gamma(k_0\rho + a_0 + a_{i_{p+1}} + \dots + a_{i_m} + m - p + 1) \prod_{s=1}^p \Gamma(k_{i_s}\rho + a_{i_s} + 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Using (2.1), (2.6), (2.2) and (2.9), it follows

$$\lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow 1} \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) \cdot P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} = \frac{\int_{\Delta_p} (f \cdot Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho) \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{B(k_{i_0}\rho, \dots, k_{i_p}\rho)} = \frac{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} f \cdot Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho}{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho} = F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^\rho(f).$$

So that relation (3.15) is proved.

In order to prove the corresponding relation (3.20), let  $\varepsilon > 0$  arbitrarily chosen. There is  $0 < \delta < 1$ , such that inequality  $\|\mathbf{x} - \pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})\|_1 < \delta$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m$  implies  $|f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}))| < \varepsilon$ . Consider the sets  $A = \{\mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m \mid \|\mathbf{x} - \pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})\|_1 < \delta\}$  and  $B = \Delta_m \setminus A$ . We have

$$\left| \frac{\int_{\Delta_m} (f - f \circ \pi_{\mathbf{k}}) P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} \right| \leq \varepsilon + 2\|f\| \frac{\int_B P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}.$$

If  $\mathbf{x} \in B$ , there is  $j \in \{p+1, \dots, m\}$  such that  $x_j \geq \frac{\delta}{m}$ . Indeed, otherwise we have  $\|\mathbf{x} - \pi_{\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x})\|_1 = x_{i_{p+1}} + \dots + x_{i_m} < (m-p)\frac{\delta}{m} \leq \delta$ , which is a contradiction. Define

$$B_j := \{\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \Delta_m \mid x_j \geq \frac{\delta}{m}\}, \quad j \in \{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_m\}.$$

Therefore  $B \subset \bigcup_{j=p+1}^m B_j$ , which implies

$$\frac{\int_B P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} \leq \sum_{j=p+1}^m \frac{\int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}.$$

Fix  $r \in \{p+1, \dots, m\}$  and  $j = i_r$ . With the change of variables  $x_{i_r} = \frac{\delta}{m} + (1 - \frac{\delta}{m})y_{i_r}$  and  $x_\ell = (1 - \frac{\delta}{m})y_\ell$ ,  $\ell \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus \{r\}$ ; the condition  $\mathbf{x} \in B_j$  is equivalent to  $(y_1, \dots, y_m) \in \Delta_m$ . We obtain  $x_0 = (1 - \frac{\delta}{m})y_0$  and then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{m}\right)^{m+n\rho+|\mathbf{a}|-a_{i_r}} \int_{\Delta_m} \prod_{\ell=0, \ell \neq i_r}^m y_{k_\ell\rho+a_\ell} \left(\frac{\delta}{m} + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{m}\right)y_{i_r}\right)^{a_{i_r}} dy_1 \dots dy_m. \end{aligned}$$

We have  $\left(\frac{\delta}{m} + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{m}\right)y_{i_r}\right)^{a_{i_r}} \leq \left(\frac{\delta}{m}\right)^{a_{i_r}} < \left(\frac{\delta}{m}\right)^{-1} = \frac{m}{\delta}$ . Then



$$\int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}} \leq \frac{m}{\delta} \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{m}\right)^{m+n\rho+|\mathbf{a}|-a_{i_r}} \times \frac{\prod_{s=0}^p \Gamma(k_{i_s} \rho + a_{i_s} + 1) \prod_{s=p+1, s \neq r}^m \Gamma(a_{i_s} + 1) \Gamma(1)}{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| - a_{i_r} + m + 1)}.$$

Using also relation (3.16), it follows

$$\frac{\int_{B_j} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}}{\int_{\Delta_m} P_{\mathbf{k}}^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}} \leq \frac{m}{\delta} \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{m}\right)^{m+n\rho+|\mathbf{a}|-a_{i_r}} \frac{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 1)}{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| - a_j + m + 1) \Gamma(a_j + 1)}.$$

But

$$\lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow \mathbf{1}} \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{m}\right)^{m+n\rho+|\mathbf{a}|-a_{i_r}} \frac{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 1)}{\Gamma(n\rho + |\mathbf{a}| - a_j + m + 1)} = \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{m}\right)^{n\rho} \frac{\Gamma(n\rho)}{\Gamma(n\rho + 1)}$$

and  $\lim_{\mathbf{a} \rightarrow \mathbf{1}} \Gamma(a_j + 1) = \infty$ . Then, the corresponding relations (3.22) are true. Now, it is simple to deduce that (3.20) is valid.  $\square$

**Remark 3.2.** In the case  $\rho = 1$ , Theorem 3.1 was proved in [28] but using a method which is not applicable here. In unidimensional case, Theorem 3.1 was proved in [12].

**Theorem 3.2.** For any  $f \in C(\Delta_m)$ , we have

$$(3.23) \quad \lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f)(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{B}_n(f)(\mathbf{x}), \text{ uniformly for } \mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m.$$

*Proof.* It is sufficient to show that

$$(3.24) \quad \lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^\rho(f) = f\left(\frac{k_1}{n}, \dots, \frac{k_m}{n}\right), \mathbf{k} = (k_0, k_1, \dots, k_m) \in \Lambda, f \in C(\Delta_m).$$

Let  $\text{supp } \mathbf{k} = \{i_0, \dots, i_p\} \subset \{0, 1, \dots, m\}, p \geq 0$ . If  $p = 0$ , then relation (3.23) is immediate. Now consider that  $p \geq 1$ . We introduce simplified notations as follows. Denote  $\mu_j = k_{i_j}, (0 \leq j \leq p)$ . Recall that  $D_{\mathbf{k}} = \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^p y_j \mathbf{e}_{i_j} \mid y_j \geq 0, (0 \leq j \leq p), \sum_{j=0}^p y_j = 1 \right\}$ . Define  $\varphi : \Delta_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$\varphi(\mathbf{y}) = \prod_{j=1}^p y_j^{\mu_j} (1 - |\mathbf{y}|)^{\mu_0}, \mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_p) \in \Delta_p.$$

We have  $\varphi \geq 0$  on  $\Delta_p$ . Since  $\mu_j \geq 1, 0 \leq j \leq p$ , it follows that  $\varphi = 0$  on the frontier of  $\Delta_p$ . Consequently, the maximum of  $\varphi$  is reached in the interior of domain  $\Delta_p$ . It is simple to show that the unique interior critical point of  $\varphi$  is  $\mathbf{y}^* = \left(\frac{\mu_1}{n}, \dots, \frac{\mu_p}{n}\right) \in \Delta_p$ . Then,  $\mathbf{y}^*$  is the unique maximum point of  $\varphi$ .

Define  $g \in C(\Delta_p), g = f \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}$ , where  $\theta_{\mathbf{k}}$  was defined in (2.1).

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  arbitrarily chose. We can choose a number  $r > 0$ , such that  $B_r(\mathbf{y}^*) = \{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^p \mid \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^*\| < r\} \subset \text{Int} \Delta_p$  and  $|g(\mathbf{y}) - g(\mathbf{y}^*)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ , for all  $\mathbf{y} \in B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)$ . Define  $M = \max\{\varphi(\mathbf{y}) \mid \mathbf{y} \in \Delta_p \setminus B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)\}$ . Then  $M < \varphi(\mathbf{y}^*)$ . Choose  $M < M_1 < \varphi(\mathbf{y}^*)$ . There is  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $0 < \delta < r$  and  $\varphi(\mathbf{y}) \geq M_1$ , for all  $\mathbf{y} \in B_\delta(\mathbf{y}^*)$ .

For  $\rho > 1$ , define  $\Psi = \Psi_{\rho, \mathbf{k}} \in C(\Delta_p), \Psi = Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}$ , where  $Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho$  and  $\theta_{\mathbf{k}}$  are defined in (2.5) and (2.1), respectively. Then we can write  $\Psi = \varphi^{\rho-1} \cdot \eta$ , where

$$\eta(\mathbf{y}) = \prod_{j=1}^p y_j^{\mu_j-1} (1 - |\mathbf{y}|)^{\mu_0-1}, \mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_p) \in \Delta_p.$$

We have

$$\int_{\Delta_p \setminus B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)} \Psi = \int_{\Delta_p \setminus B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)} (\varphi)^{\rho-1} \eta \leq \|\eta\| M^{\rho-1} \text{vol}(\Delta_p)$$

and

$$\int_{B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)} \Psi \geq \int_{B_\delta(\mathbf{y}^*)} (\varphi)^{\rho-1} \eta \geq h \cdot M_1^{\rho-1} \text{vol}(B_\delta(\mathbf{y}^*)),$$

where  $h = \min\{\eta(\mathbf{y}) \mid \mathbf{y} \in \overline{B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)}\} > 0$ . Then

$$\frac{\int_{\Delta_p \setminus B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)} \Psi}{\int_{B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)} \Psi} \leq \frac{\|\eta\| \cdot \text{vol}(\Delta_p)}{h \cdot \text{vol}(B_\delta(\mathbf{y}^*))} \left(\frac{M}{M_1}\right)^{\rho-1}.$$

It is possible to choose  $\rho_0 > 1$ , such that

$$2\|f\| \cdot \frac{\int_{\Delta_p \setminus B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)} \Psi}{\int_{B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)} \Psi} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, \quad \forall \rho > \rho_0.$$

Using formula (2.2) or formula (2.3) depending on the condition  $0 \in \text{supp } \mathbf{k}$  or  $0 \notin \text{supp } \mathbf{k}$ , in both cases it results

$$F_{n,\mathbf{k}}^\rho(f) = \frac{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} f \cdot Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho d\sigma}{\int_{D_{\mathbf{k}}} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho d\sigma} = \frac{\int_{\Delta_p} (f \cdot Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho) \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}}{\int_{\Delta_p} Q_{\mathbf{k}}^\rho \circ \theta_{\mathbf{k}}} = \frac{\int_{\Delta_p} g \cdot \Psi}{\int_{\Delta_p} \Psi}.$$

Then, for  $\rho > \rho_0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} |F_{n,\mathbf{k}}^\rho(f) - g(\mathbf{y}^*)| &= \left| \frac{\int_{\Delta_p} g \cdot \Psi}{\int_{\Delta_p} \Psi} - g(\mathbf{y}^*) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\int_{\Delta_p} |(g - g(\mathbf{y}^*))| \cdot \Psi}{\int_{\Delta_p} \Psi} \\ &\leq \frac{\int_{\Delta_p \setminus B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)} |g - g(\mathbf{y}^*)| \cdot \Psi}{\int_{\Delta_p} \Psi} + \frac{\int_{B_r(\mathbf{y}^*)} |(g - g(\mathbf{y}^*))| \cdot \Psi}{\int_{\Delta_p} \Psi} \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Finally note that  $g(\mathbf{y}^*) = f\left(\frac{k_1}{n}, \dots, \frac{k_m}{n}\right)$ . □

#### 4. CONVERGENCE PROPERTIES

The moments of operators play a crucial role in the study of the convergence properties of a sequence of linear positive operators. The computation of moments of operators  $\mathbb{M}_n^{\rho,\mathbf{a}}$  and  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho$  can be reduced to the moments of the Bernstein operators  $\mathbb{B}_n$ .

Define the functions  $\mathbf{1}_{\Delta_m} \in C(\Delta_m)$ ,  $\mathbf{1}_{\Delta_m}(\mathbf{x}) = 1$  and  $\text{pr}_i \in C(\Delta_m)$ ,  $(1 \leq i \leq m)$ ,  $\text{pr}_i(\mathbf{x}) = x_i$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \Delta_m$ .

Define

$$\|\bullet - \bar{x}\|(t_1, \dots, t_m) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m (t_i - x_i)^2}.$$

**Lemma 4.2.** For  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_m) \in \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ ,  $\mathbf{a} > -\mathbf{1}$ ,  $\rho \geq 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \Delta_m$ :

- i)  $\mathbb{M}_n^{\rho,\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{1}_{\Delta_m})(\mathbf{x}) = 1$ ,
- ii)  $\mathbb{M}_n^{\rho,\mathbf{a}}(\text{pr}_i)(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{n\rho x_i + a_i + 1}{\rho n + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 1}$ ,  $(1 \leq i \leq m)$ ,

$$\text{iii) } \mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(\|\bullet - \mathbf{x}\|^2)(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{n\rho(\rho+1)x_i(1-x_i) + \lambda_i(\mathbf{a}, m, \mathbf{x})}{(\rho n + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 1)(\rho n + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 2)}, \text{ where}$$

$$\lambda_i(\mathbf{a}, m, \mathbf{x}) := (|\mathbf{a}| + m + 1)(|\mathbf{a}| + m + 2)x_i^2 - 2(|\mathbf{a}| + m + 2)(a_i + 1)x_i + (a_i + 1)(a_i + 2).$$

*Proof.* For any  $\mathbf{k} \in \Lambda$ ,  $\mathbf{k} = (k_0, \dots, k_m)$ , we have

$$\text{a) } F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^\rho(\mathbf{1}_{\Delta_m}) = 1;$$

$$\text{b) } F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^\rho(\text{pr}_i) = \frac{\rho k_i + a_i + 1}{\rho n + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 1}, (1 \leq i \leq m);$$

$$\text{c) } F_{n, \mathbf{k}}^\rho(\text{pr}_i^2) = \frac{(\rho k_i + a_i + 1)(\rho k_i + a_i + 2)}{(\rho n + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 1)(\rho n + |\mathbf{a}| + m + 2)}, (1 \leq i \leq m).$$

Then, we can apply the known results for Bernstein operator on a simplex. □

By passing to limit  $\mathbf{a} \rightarrow -\mathbf{1}$  and using Lemma 4.2 and Theorem 3.1, we obtain:

**Corollary 4.1.** For  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\rho \geq 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \Delta_m$ :

i)  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho(\ell) = \ell$ , for any affine function,

$$\text{ii) } \mathbb{U}_n^\rho(\|\bullet - \mathbf{x}\|^2)(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\rho+1}{n\rho+1} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i(1-x_i).$$

**Lemma 4.3.** For  $m \geq 2$ , we have

$$\max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m x_i(1-x_i) \mid (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \Delta_m \right\} = \frac{m-1}{m}.$$

*Proof.* We can apply for instance the Kuhn-Tucker conditions for this maximization problem and the optimum is obtained for  $x_i = \frac{1}{m}$ ,  $(1 \leq i \leq m)$ . □

For  $f \in C(\Delta_m)$ ,  $h > 0$ , define

$$\omega_1(f, h) = \sup\{|f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{y})|, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \Delta_m, \|\bar{x} - \bar{y}\| \leq h\}.$$

**Theorem 4.3.** For  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_m) \in \mathbb{R}^{m+1}$ ,  $\mathbf{a} > -\mathbf{1}$ , and  $\rho \geq 1$ , we have

$$(4.25) \quad \|\mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(f) - f\| \leq 2\omega_1(f, \sqrt{\mu_n}), f \in C(\Delta_m), n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where

$$\mu_n = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m} \mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(\|\bullet - \mathbf{x}\|^2)(\mathbf{x})$$

and

$$\mu_n = O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right), \text{ uniformly with regard to } \rho \in [1, \infty).$$

*Proof.* For  $m \geq 2$ , from Lemma 4.2, Lemma 4.3, since  $|\mathbf{a}| + m + 1 > 0$ , it follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_n &\leq \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{n\rho(\rho+1)x_i(1-x_i) + \|\lambda_i(\mathbf{a}, m, \bullet)\|}{(n\rho)^2} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n} \left[ \frac{\rho+1}{\rho} \cdot \frac{m-1}{m} + \frac{1}{n\rho^2} \sum_{i=1}^m \|\lambda_i(\mathbf{a}, m, \bullet)\| \right] \leq \frac{1}{n} \left( 2 + \sum_{i=1}^m \|\lambda_i(\mathbf{a}, m, \bullet)\| \right). \end{aligned}$$

This final estimate exists also in the case  $m = 1$ . Then, we apply the generalized theorem of Shisha and Mond, given in Altomare and Campiti [2]- Proposition 5.1.5. in the following form:

$$|L(f)(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})| \leq \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\delta^2} (L(e)(\mathbf{x}) - e(\mathbf{x})) \right) \omega_1(f, \delta),$$

where  $L : C(K) \rightarrow B(K)$  is a positive linear operator which preserves affine functions,  $K$  is a compact set in an inner product space,  $e(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \in K$ ,  $f \in C(K)$  and  $\delta > 0$ . Here, we take  $K = \Delta_m$ ,  $L = \mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}$  and  $\delta = \sqrt{\mu_n}$ . □

**Theorem 4.4.** For  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\rho \geq 1$ , we have

$$|\mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f)(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})| \leq 2\omega_1 \left( f, \sqrt{\frac{\rho+1}{n\rho+1} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i(1-x_i)} \right), \quad f \in C(\Delta_m), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m,$$

$$\|\mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f) - f\| \leq 2\omega_1 \left( f, \sqrt{\frac{\rho+1}{n\rho+1} \cdot \max \left\{ \frac{1}{4}, \frac{m-1}{m} \right\}} \right), \quad f \in C(\Delta_m), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

*Proof.* We apply Corollary 4.1, Lemma 4.3 and the generalized theorem of Shisha and Mond as in the proof of Theorem 4.3. □

**Corollary 4.2.** For any  $f \in C(\Delta_m)$ , we have

- i)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbb{M}_n^{\rho, \mathbf{a}}(f) - f\| = 0$ , where  $\mathbf{a} > -\mathbf{1}$ ,  $\rho \geq 0$ ,
- ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f) - f\| = 0$ , where  $\rho \geq 0$ ,  $m \geq 2$ .

**Corollary 4.3.** For any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\rho \geq 1$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , operator  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho$  interpolates each function  $f \in C(\Delta_m)$  in the vertices of the simplex  $\Delta_m$ , i.e.,

$$\mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f)(\mathbf{e}_i) = f(\mathbf{e}_i), \quad (0 \leq i \leq m).$$

More refined estimates with second order moduli can be given for operators  $\mathbb{U}_n^\rho$  because they reproduce the affine functions.

For  $f \in C(\Delta_m, Y)$ ,  $h > 0$ , define

$$\omega_2(f, h) = \sup \left\{ \left| f(\mathbf{x}) - 2f\left(\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y})\right) + f(\mathbf{y}) \right|, \quad \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \Delta_m, \quad \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| < h \right\}.$$

We apply the following scalar version of a theorem given in [23, Th. 7.2.4].

**Theorem A.** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  be a compact convex set. Let  $F : C(D) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a functional given by a positive Borel measure  $\mu$ . Suppose  $\mu(D) = 1$ . Let  $\mathbf{x} \in D$  be the barycenter of  $\mu$ . Then

$$|F(f) - f(\mathbf{x})| \leq \left[ m + \frac{1}{2}h^{-2}F(\|\bullet - \mathbf{x}\|^2) \right] \omega_2(f, h)$$

for  $f \in C(D)$ ,  $h > 0$ .

**Theorem 4.5.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\rho > 0$ ,  $f \in C(\Delta_m)$ ,  $m \geq 2$  and  $h > 0$

$$\|\mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f) - f\| \leq \left( m + \frac{1}{2h^2} \frac{\rho+1}{\rho n+1} \cdot \frac{m-1}{m} \right) \omega_2(f, h).$$

*Proof.* For any fixed  $\mathbf{x} \in \Delta_m$ , define the functional on  $C(\Delta_m)$ ,  $F(f) = \mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f, \mathbf{x})$ . This is a functional defined by a positive Borel measure, say  $\mu$ . From Corollary 4.1 - i), it follows that  $\mathbf{x}$  is the barycenter of  $\mu$ . Then, we can apply Theorem A. □

Another second modulus can be defined as follows. For  $f \in C(\Delta_m)$  and  $h > 0$ , define

$$\tilde{\omega}_2(f, h) = \sup \left\{ \left| \sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i f(\mathbf{y}_i) - f(\mathbf{x}) \right|, \quad p \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}_i \in \Delta_m, \right.$$

$$\left. \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i \mathbf{y}_i, \quad \lambda_i \in (0, 1), \quad \sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i = 1, \quad \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}_i\| \leq h \right\}.$$

The theorem below is a scalar version of a result given in [23, Th. 6.2.9].

**Theorem B.** Let  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  be a compact convex set. Let  $F : C(D) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a functional given by a positive Borel measure  $\mu$ . Suppose  $\mu(D) = 1$ . Let  $\mathbf{x} \in D$  be the barycenter of  $\mu$ . Then

$$|F(f) - f(\mathbf{x})| \leq \left[1 + h^{-2} F(\|\bullet - \bar{x}\|^2)\right] \tilde{\omega}_2(f, h)$$

for  $f \in C(D)$  and  $h > 0$ .

In a similar mode as in the proof of Theorem 4.5, we obtain

**Theorem 4.6.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\rho > 0$ ,  $f \in C(\Delta_m)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $h > 0$ ,

$$\|\mathbb{U}_n^\rho(f) - f\| \leq \left(1 + h^{-2} \frac{\rho + 1}{\rho n + 1} \cdot \max\left\{\frac{1}{4}, \frac{m-1}{m}\right\}\right) \tilde{\omega}_2(f, h).$$

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