# A note on the Bernstein's cubature formula ${ }^{1}$ 

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#### Abstract

The Bernstein's cubature formula is revisited and the evaluation of it's remainder term is corrected.


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## 1 Preliminaries

Let us to denote $\mathbb{N}=\{1,2, \ldots\}$ and $\mathbb{N}_{0}=\mathbb{N} \cup\{0\}$. The Bernstein's bivariate operator $B_{m, n}: C([0,1] \times[0,1]) \rightarrow C([0,1] \times[0,1])$ is defined for any $f \in C([0,1] \times[0,1])$, any $(x, y) \in[0,1] \times[0,1]$ and any $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ by:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(B_{m, n} f\right)(x, y)=\sum_{k=0}^{m} \sum_{j=0}^{n} p_{m, k}(x) p_{n, j}(y) f\left(\frac{k}{m}, \frac{j}{n}\right), \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

[^0]where
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\begin{equation*}
p_{m, k}(x)=\binom{m}{k} x^{k}(1-x)^{m-k} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

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and

$$
\begin{equation*}
p_{n, j}(y)=\binom{n}{j} y^{j}(1-y)^{n-j} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

are the fundamental Bernstein's polynomials.
Many approximation properties of the operator (1) are well known [1].
Let $f \in C([0,1] \times[0,1])$ be given. The following

$$
\begin{equation*}
f=B_{m, n} f+R_{m, n} f \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

is known as the "Bernstein bivariate approximation formula", $R_{m, n} f$ denoting the remainder term.

In [14], pp. 325, is mentioned the following:
"If $f \in C^{(2,2)}([0,1] \times[0,1])$ the remainder term of (4) can be expressed under the form

$$
\begin{align*}
\left(R_{m, n} f\right)(x, y) & =-\frac{x(1-x)}{2 m} f^{(2,0)}(x, \eta)-\frac{y(1-y)}{2 n} f^{(0,2)}(\xi, y)  \tag{5}\\
& +\frac{x y(1-x)(1-y)}{4 m n} f^{(2,2)}(\xi, \eta) . "
\end{align*}
$$

Next, using (4) with the expression of remainder term from (5), the Bernstein's cubature formula is constructed.

In our recent paper [4], was obtained the correct form for the remainder term of (4) when the approximated function $f$ belong to $C([0,1] \times[0,1])$ and an upper bound estimation for $R_{m, n} f$ for the case when $f$ is "sufficiently" differentiable on $[0,1] \times[0,1]$.

Let $X$ be a linear space, $L_{1}, L_{2}: X \rightarrow X$ be projectors, $I: X \rightarrow X$ be the identity operator and $R_{1}, R_{2}: X \rightarrow X$ be the remainder operators associated to $L_{1}$ and respectively $L_{2}$. If $L_{1}$ and $L_{2}$ commute on $X$, the following decomposition of the identity operator

$$
\begin{equation*}
I=L_{1} L_{2}+R_{1} \oplus R_{2} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

with

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{1} \oplus R_{2}=R_{1}+R_{2}-R_{1} R_{2} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

is well known [6], [7].
Suppose now that $X:=C([0,1] \times[0,1]), L_{1}:=B_{m}^{x}, L_{2}:=B_{n}^{y}$, where $B_{m}^{x}, B_{n}^{y}$ denote the parametrical extensions [1] of the Bernstein's univariate operator, i.e.

$$
\begin{align*}
\left(B_{m}^{x} f\right)(x, y) & =\sum_{k=0}^{m} \sum_{j=0}^{n} p_{m, k}(x) p_{n, j}(y) f\left(\frac{k}{m}, y\right),  \tag{8}\\
\left(B_{n}^{y} f\right)(x, y) & =\sum_{k=0}^{m} \sum_{j=0}^{n} p_{m, k}(x) p_{n, j}(y) f\left(x, \frac{j}{n}\right) .
\end{align*}
$$

It is well known [1] that (8) and (9) are not projectors. Is also well known [1] that for $f \in C^{2,2}([0,1] \times[0,1])$ the remainder operators associated to (8) and (9) are defined respectively by

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(R_{m, n}^{x} f\right)(x, y)=-\frac{x(1-x)}{2 m} f^{(2,0)}(x, \eta)  \tag{10}\\
& \left(R_{m, n}^{y} f\right)(x, y)=-\frac{y(1-y)}{2 n} f^{(0,2)}(\xi, y) \tag{11}
\end{align*}
$$

for any $(x, y) \in[0,1] \times[0,1]$ and any $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, where $(\xi, \eta) \in] 0,1[\times] 0,1[$. It is immediately that the operator (1) is the "tensorial product" [6], [7] of operators (10) and (11), i.e

$$
\begin{equation*}
B_{m, n}=B_{m}^{x} B_{n}^{y} \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Computing the boolean sum of operators (10) and (11) one arrives to the expression (5) which is false, because $B_{m}^{x}, B_{n}^{y}$ are not projectors and the decomposition formula (6) doesn't holds.

By the above motives, we corrected (5) as follows.
Theorem 1 [4] For any $f \in C([0,1] \times[0,1])$ and any $(x, y) \in[0,1] \times[0,1]$ the remainder term of (4) can be expressed under the form:

$$
\left.\begin{array}{rl}
\left(R_{m, n} f\right)(x, y) & \left.=-\frac{x(1-x)}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n} p_{m-1, k}(x) p_{n, j}(y)\left[\begin{array}{c}
x, \frac{k}{m}, \frac{k+1}{m} \\
\frac{j}{k}
\end{array}\right] f\right]  \tag{13}\\
& -\frac{y(1-y)}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{m} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} p_{m, k}(x) p_{n-1, j}(y)\left[\begin{array}{cc}
\frac{k}{m} \\
y, \frac{j}{n}, \frac{j+1}{n}
\end{array}\right]
\end{array}\right] .
$$

Note that in (13) the brackets denote bivariate divided differences [2], [4].
In the Section 2, we use the following mean-value theorem for divided differences (see [8]).

Theorem 2 Let $m \in \mathbb{N}, a \leq x_{0}<x_{1}<\cdots<x_{m} \leq b$ distinct knots and $f:[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a given function. If $f$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ and has a $m^{t h}$
derivatives on $(a, b)$, then there exists $\xi \in(a, b)$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left[x_{0}, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{m} ; f\right]=\frac{1}{m!} f^{(m)}(\xi) \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 2 Main results

Theorem 3 Let $p, q \in \mathbb{N}_{0}, p+q \geq 1, x_{0}, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{p} \in[a, b]$ and $y_{0}, y_{1}, \ldots, y_{q} \in[c, d]$ be a distinct knots and $f:[a, b] \times[c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function. If $f(\cdot, y) \in C([a, b])$ for any $y \in[c, d], \frac{\partial^{p} f}{\partial x^{p}}(\cdot, y)$ exists on $] a, b[$ for any $y \in[c, d], \frac{\partial^{p} f}{\partial x^{p}}(x, *) \in C([c, d])$ for any $\left.x \in\right] a, b\left[\right.$ and $\frac{\partial^{p+q}}{\partial x^{p} \partial y^{q}}(x, *)$ exists on $] c, d[$ for any $x \in] a, b[$, then there exists $(\xi, \eta) \in] a, b[\times] c, d[$ such that

$$
\left[\begin{array}{l}
x_{0}, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{p}  \tag{15}\\
y_{0}, y_{1}, \ldots, y_{q}
\end{array} ; f\right]=\frac{1}{p!q!} \frac{\partial^{p+q} f}{\partial x^{p} \partial y^{q}}(\xi, \eta)
$$

where "." and "*" stand for the first and second variable.
Proof. Applying the method of parametric extension (see [3]) and the mean-value theorem for one dimensional divided differences, there exist $\xi \in$ $] a, b[$ and respectively $\eta \in] c, d[$, such that

$$
\begin{gathered}
{\left[\begin{array}{c}
\left.x_{0}, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{p} ; f\right]=\left[y_{0}, y_{1}, \ldots, y_{q} ;\left[x_{0}, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{p} ; f\right]_{x}\right]_{y} \\
y_{0}, y_{1}, \ldots, y_{q}
\end{array}\right]} \\
\left.=\left[y_{0}, y_{1}, \ldots, y_{q} ; \frac{1}{p!} \frac{\partial^{p} f}{\partial x^{p}}(\xi, *)\right)\right]_{y}=\frac{1}{p!}\left[y_{0}, y_{1}, \ldots, y_{q} ; \frac{\partial^{p} f}{\partial x^{p}}(\xi, *)\right]_{y} \\
=\frac{1}{p!q!} \frac{\partial^{p+q} f}{\partial x^{p} \partial y^{q}}(\xi, \eta),
\end{gathered}
$$

so the equality (15) holds.

Remark 1 In the conditions of Theorem 3, if $p=0$ then $q \in \mathbb{N}$, and we consider that $f$ has the properties that $f\left(x_{0}, *\right) \in C([c, d])$ and $\frac{\partial^{q} f}{\partial y^{q}}\left(x_{0}, *\right)$ exists on $] c, d[$. If $q=0$, then we consider similarly above conditions about function $f$.

Theorem 4 Let $p, q \in \mathbb{N}_{0}, p+q \geq 1, x_{0}, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{p} \in[a, b]$ and $y_{0}, y_{1}, \ldots, y_{q} \in[c, d]$ be a distinct knots. If $f:[a, b] \times[c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function with the property that $f \in C^{(p, q)}([a, b] \times[c, d])$, then exists $\left.(\xi, \eta) \in\right] a, b[\times] c, d[$ such that

$$
\left[\begin{array}{l}
x_{0}, x_{1}, \ldots, x_{p}  \tag{16}\\
y_{0}, y_{1}, \ldots, y_{q}
\end{array} ; f\right]=\frac{1}{p!q!} \frac{\partial^{p+q} f}{\partial x^{p} \partial y^{q}}(\xi, \eta) .
$$

Proof. It results from Theorem 3.

Theorem 5 Let $f:[0,1] \times[0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function.
If $f(\cdot, y) \in C^{1}\left([0,1]\right.$ for any $y \in[0,1]$, exists $\frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x^{2}}(\cdot, y)$ on $] 0,1[$ for any $y \in[0,1], \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x^{2}}(x, *) \in C^{1}([0,1])$ for any $\left.x \in\right] 0,1\left[\right.$, exists $\frac{\partial^{4} f}{\partial x^{2} \partial y^{2}}(x, *)$ on $] 0,1[$ for any $x \in] 0,1[$, then for any $(x, y) \in[0,1] \times[0,1]$, any $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, there exist $\left(\xi_{i}(k, j), \eta_{i}(k, j)\right) \in[0,1] \times[0,1], i \in\{1,2,3\}$, such that

$$
\begin{align*}
\left(R_{m, n} f\right)(x, y) & =-\frac{x(1-x)}{2 m} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n} \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x^{2}}\left(\xi_{1}(k, j), \eta_{1}(k, j)\right)  \tag{17}\\
& -\frac{y(1-y)}{2 n} \sum_{k=0}^{m} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial y^{2}}\left(\xi_{2}(k, j), \eta_{2}(k, j)\right) \\
& +\frac{x y(1-x)(1-y)}{4 m n} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \frac{\partial^{4} f}{\partial x^{2} \partial y^{2}}\left(\xi_{3}(k, j), \eta_{3}(k, j)\right) .
\end{align*}
$$

If $\frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x^{2}}, \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial y^{2}}$ and $\frac{\partial^{4} f}{\partial x^{2} \partial y^{2}}$ are bounded on $] 0,1[\times] 0,1[$, the following inequalities

$$
\begin{align*}
\left|\left(R_{m, n} f\right)(x, y)\right| & \leq \frac{x(1-x)}{2 m} M_{1}(f)+\frac{y(1-y)}{2 n} M_{2}(f)+\frac{x y(1-x)(1-y)}{4 m n} M_{3}(f)  \tag{18}\\
& \leq \frac{1}{8 m} M_{1}(f)+\frac{1}{8 n} M_{2}(f)+\frac{1}{64 m n} M_{3}(f)
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\left(R_{m, n} f\right)(x, y)\right| \leq\left(\frac{1}{8 m}+\frac{1}{8 n}+\frac{1}{64 m n}\right) M(f) \tag{19}
\end{equation*}
$$

hold, for any $(x, y) \in[0,1] \times[0,1]$ and any $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, where

$$
\begin{align*}
M_{1}(f) & =\sup _{(x, y) \in] 0,1[\times] 0,1[ }\left|\frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x^{2}}(x, y)\right|,  \tag{20}\\
M_{2}(f) & =\sup _{(x, y) \in] 0,1[\times] 0,1[ }\left|\frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial y^{2}}(x, y)\right|,  \tag{21}\\
M_{3}(f) & =\sup _{(x, y) \in] 0,1[\times] 0,1[ }\left|\frac{\partial^{4} f}{\partial x^{2} \partial y^{2}}(x, y)\right| \tag{22}
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
M(f)=\max \left\{M_{1}(f), M_{2}(f), M_{3}(f)\right\} \tag{23}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. In the relation (13) we apply Theorem 3 and the relation (17) results. Because $x(1-x) \leq \frac{1}{4}, y(1-y) \leq \frac{1}{4}$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n} p_{m-1, k}(x) p_{n, j}(y) & =\sum_{k=0}^{m} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} p_{m, k}(x) p_{n-1, j}(y) \\
& =\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} p_{m-1, k}(x) p_{n-1, j}(y)=1
\end{aligned}
$$

and transforming into modulus in the relation above and taking into account that the partial derivatives of $f$ are bounded on $] 0,1[\times] 0,1[$, the inequalities from (18) are obtained.

Integrating the Bernstein's bivariate approximation formula (4) one arrives to the following Bernstein's cubature formula

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} f(x, y) d x d y=\sum_{i=0}^{m} \sum_{j=0}^{n} A_{i, j} f\left(\frac{i}{m}, \frac{j}{n}\right)+R_{m, n}[f] . \tag{24}
\end{equation*}
$$

Theorem 6 [14] The coefficients of the cubature formula (24) are given by the equalities:

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{i j}=\frac{1}{(m+1)(n+1)}, \quad i=\overline{0, m}, j=\overline{0, n} . \tag{25}
\end{equation*}
$$

Regarding the remainder term of (23), we have the following:

Theorem 7 In the conditions of Theorem 5, the following upper-bound estimation for the remainder term of Bernstein's cubature formula (24) is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|R_{m, n}[f]\right| \leq \frac{1}{12 m} M_{1}(f)+\frac{1}{12 n} M_{2}(f)+\frac{1}{144 m n} M_{3}(f) \tag{26}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $M_{1}(f), M_{2}(f)$ and $M_{3}(f)$ were defined at (20), (21) and (22).
Proof. The inequality (26) follows by integrating the Bernstein's bivariate approximation formula (4) and taking the first inequality (18) into account.

Theorem 8 Let $f:[0,1] \times[0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function. If $f \in C^{(2,2)}([0,1] \times$ $[0,1])$, the relations (17) and (26) hold, where

$$
M_{1}(f)=\sup _{(x, y) \in[0,1] \times[0,1]}\left|\frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x^{2}}(x, y)\right|,
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
M_{2}(f) & =\sup _{(x, y) \in[0,1] \times[0,1]}\left|\frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial y^{2}}(x, y)\right|, \text { and } \\
M_{3}(f) & =\sup _{(x, y) \in[0,1] \times[0,1]}\left|\frac{\partial^{4} f}{\partial x^{2} \partial y^{2}}(x, y)\right|
\end{aligned}
$$

Proof. It results from Theorem 7

Remark 2 In Theorem 7 we give a new proof for the known inequality (26)(see [14], pp.325). The inequality from (26) is demonstrate in [14] in the conditions of Theorem 8.

Theorem 9 In the conditions of Theorem 7 or Theorem 8, it follows that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{m, n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{m} \sum_{j=0}^{n} \frac{1}{(m+1)(n+1)} f\left(\frac{i}{m}, \frac{j}{n}\right)=\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} f(x, y) d x d y \tag{27}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the convergence from (27) is uniform.

Proof. It results from inequality (26).

Remark 3 Because the Bernstein's bivariate operator $B_{m, n}$ conserve only the lineares functions in $x$ and respectively $y$, it follows that the degree of exactness for the cubature formula (24) is $(1,1)$. In the case when the approximated function $f$ satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 6, the above affirmation follows directly from the mentioned theorem.

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