# Some evaluations of the remainder term <sup>1</sup>

### Daniel Florin Sofonea

#### Abstract

We present some representations of the remainder  $f(x)-(L_n f)(x)$ , where  $L_n$  is defined in (1). Using Lupaş operators (4), we prove Theorem 3 and one finds a lower-bound for  $(L_n e_2)(x)$  (see Theorem 4).

2000 Mathematics Subject Classification: 41A36

Key words and phrases: Bernstein operator, Lupaş operators, positive linear operator.

1. Let  $f:[0,1]\to\mathbb{R}$ . The Bernstein polynomials of f is

$$(B_n f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right), \text{ with } n = 1, 2, \dots, .$$

We consider the operator

$$(L_n f)(x) = (B_n f)(x) - \alpha_n(x)(B_n'' f)(x),$$

Accepted for publication (in revised form) 3 January, 2010

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Received 17 November, 2009

where  $\alpha(x) = \frac{x(1-x)}{2(n-1)}$  results from the following condition  $(L_n e_0) = e_0$ ,  $(L_n e_1) = e_1$ ,  $(L_n e_2) = e_2$ , with  $e_j(t) = t^j$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \ldots$  We obtain the next operator (see [2])

(1) 
$$(L_n f)(x) = (B_n f)(x) - \frac{x(1-x)}{2(n-1)} (B_n'' f)(x),$$

where  $(B_n f)(x)$  is Bernstein polynomials.

We use the notations

$$K = [a, b], \quad \infty < a < b < +\infty,$$

(2) 
$$\Omega_{j}(t,x) = \Omega_{j}(t) = |t-x|^{j}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, \quad x \in K,$$

$$\omega(f;\delta) = \sup_{|t-x| < \delta} |f(t) - f(x)|, \quad t, x \in K, \quad \delta \ge 0.$$

From [3] we obtain

**Theorem 1** If  $L: C(K) \to C(K_1)$ ,  $K_1 = [a_1, b_1] \subseteq K$ , is a linear positive operator, then for all  $f \in C(K)$  and  $\delta > 0$  we have

$$||f - Lf||_{K_1} \le ||f|| \cdot ||e_0 - Le_0||_{K_1} + \inf_{m=1,2,\dots} \{||Le_0||_{K_1} + \delta^{-m}||L\Omega_m||_{K_1}\} \omega(f;\delta),$$
  
where  $||\cdot|| = \max_K |\cdot|$  and  $\Omega_m$  are defined in (2).

**Theorem 2** Let  $f \in C[0,1]$ . If  $L_n$  are linear operator defined as in (1), then

$$||f - L_n f|| \le \frac{19}{16} \omega \left( f; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right) + \frac{n}{4} \omega \left( f; \frac{1}{n} \right)$$

**Proof.** We consider m = 4. Results

$$\Omega_4(t;x) = |t - x|^4 = (t - x)^4.$$

But for Bernstein operator we know

$$(B_n\Omega_4)(x) = \frac{1}{n^3} \left[ 3(n-2)x^2(1-x)^2 + x(1-x) \right]$$

(3) 
$$(B_n''f)(x) = \frac{2n(n-1)}{n^2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} {n-2 \choose k} x^k \cdot (1-x)^{n-2-k} \left[ \frac{k}{n}, \frac{k+1}{n}, \frac{k+2}{n}; f \right]$$

and using theorem 1 we obtain

$$||f - B_n f|| \le \frac{19}{16} \omega \left( f; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

We have

$$||f - L_n f|| = \left| \left| f - L_n f - \frac{x(1-x)}{2(n-1)} B_n'' f + \frac{x(1-x)}{2(n-1)} B_n'' f \right| \right|$$

$$\leq ||f - B_n f|| + \left| \left| \frac{x(1-x)}{2(n-1)} B_n'' f \right| \right|.$$

But from (3) the theorem is proved because

$$\frac{x(1-x)}{2(n-1)}B_n''f = \frac{x(1-x)}{2(n-1)}\frac{2!n(n-1)}{n^2}\sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k}x^k.$$

$$\cdot (1-x)^{n-2-k}\frac{\left[\frac{k+1}{n}, \frac{k+2}{n}; f\right] - \left[\frac{k}{n}, \frac{k+1}{n}; f\right]}{\frac{2}{n}}$$

$$= \frac{x(1-x)}{2}\sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k}x^k(1-x)^{n-2-k}$$

$$\cdot \left( \frac{f\left(\frac{k+2}{n}\right) - f\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}} - \frac{f\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right) - f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \right)$$

$$\leq \frac{x(1-x)}{2} n \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-2-k} \cdot \left(\omega\left(f;\frac{1}{n}\right) + \omega\left(f;\frac{1}{n}\right)\right)$$

$$= nx(1-x) \cdot \omega\left(f;\frac{1}{n}\right) \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-2-k}$$

$$= nx(1-x)\omega\left(f;\frac{1}{n}\right) \leq \frac{n}{4}\omega\left(f;\frac{1}{n}\right).$$

On the other hand we observe

$$\left[\frac{k}{n}, \frac{k+1}{n}, \frac{k+2}{n}; f\right] = \frac{f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)}{\frac{2}{n^2}} - \frac{f\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right)}{\frac{1}{n^2}} + \frac{f\left(\frac{k+2}{n}\right)}{\frac{2}{n^2}}$$

$$= \frac{n^2}{2} \left[ f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) - 2f\left(\frac{k+1}{n}\right) + f\left(\frac{k+2}{n}\right) \right] = \frac{n^2}{2} \Delta_{\frac{1}{n}}^2 \left(f; \frac{k}{n}\right),$$

$$\Delta_h^r(f; x) = \sum_{k=0}^r \binom{r}{k} (-r)^{r-k} f(x+kh),$$

with  $r = 1, 2, \ldots$ , and  $h \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Using the following definition  $\omega_r(f, \delta) = \sup_{0 < h \le \delta} ||\Delta_h^r(f; \cdot)||$ , with  $\delta > 0$ , results

$$\left[\frac{k}{n}, \frac{k+1}{n}, \frac{k+2}{n}; f\right] \le \frac{n^2}{2} \omega_2\left(f; \frac{1}{n}\right),$$

and

$$\frac{x(1-x)}{2(n-1)}B_n''f \le \frac{nx(1-x)}{2}\omega_2\left(f;\frac{1}{n}\right) \le \frac{n}{8}\omega_2\left(f;\frac{1}{n}\right).$$

from above formula the following proposition is proved

Corollary 1 Let  $f \in C[0,1]$ . If  $L_n$  are linear operator defined as in (1), then

$$||f(x) - (L_n f)(x)|| \le \frac{19}{16} \omega \left(f; \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right) + \frac{n}{8} \omega_2 \left(f; \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

2. For approximation of the continuous functions  $f:[0,\infty)\to\mathbb{R}$  and which satisfy an inequality like

$$|f(x)| \le Ae^{Bx}$$
 ,  $(x > 0)$ ,  $A > 0$ ,  $B > 0$ 

on  $[0, \infty)$  with A and B independent of f (that is f is of exponential type) we use linear positive operators as (see [4])

(4) 
$$(L_n f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{n,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right), \quad x \in [0, \infty)$$

where  $a_{n,k}:[0,\infty)\to[0,\infty)$ , and

i) the series  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{n,k}(x)z^k$  are convergent for |z| < r, where r > 1

$$\left( \ \forall \ n \ge n_0 := 1 + \left[ \frac{B}{\ln r} \right], \ x \in [0, \infty) \right)$$

ii) 
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{n,k}(x) = 1$$
 iii) 
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \cdot a_{n,k}(x) = nx$$

### Examples:

I. 
$$a_{n,k} = e^{-nx} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!}$$
 -  $L_n$  = Favard - Szasz operators

II. 
$$a_{n,k} = \binom{n+k}{n} \frac{x^k}{(1+x)^{n+k}}$$
 -  $L_n = \text{Lupaş}$  - Baskakov operators 
$$(L_n e_i = e_i, \ i = 0, 1)$$

Our purpose: a representation of the remainder

$$(R_n f)(x) := f(x) - (L_n f)(x).$$

Known methods:

- (A) D.D. Stancu with the help of divided differences.
- (B) Peano's method. We suppose that  $f \in C^2[0, \infty)$ .
- (C) The present method witch is actually a following of those in (A) which where studied on particular cases. The idea is to use A. Lupa's operators defined as

$$(S_n f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E_{n,k}(f; x) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)$$
$$(S_n f)\left(\frac{j}{n}\right) = \frac{2}{n} \left[\frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}, \frac{k+1}{n}; |t-x|\right]_t f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right),$$

with

$$E_{n,k}(f;x) = \frac{2}{n} \left[ \frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}, \frac{k+1}{n}; |t-x|_{+} \right] = \begin{cases} 0 & , & k = 0, \dots, k_{0} \\ 1 - \{nx\} & , & k = k_{0} \\ \{nx\} & , & k = k_{0} - 1 \\ 0 & , & k \ge k_{0} + 2 \end{cases}$$

where  $k_0 = [nx]$ .

## Properties:

- They are positive linear operator (h(t) = |t x| convex);
- $L_n S_n f = L_n f$  (\*)

**Proof.** We have

$$(L_n S_n f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{n,k}(S_n f) \left(\frac{k}{n}\right),$$

with (5) we obtain

$$(L_n S_n f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{n,k} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) = L_n f$$

(5) 
$$(S_n f) \left(\frac{j}{n}\right) = f\left(\frac{j}{n}\right), \quad j = 0, 1, \dots$$

(6) 
$$S_n e_i = e_i, \quad i \in \{0, 1\}, \quad e_0(t) = 1, \quad e_1(t) = t$$

We write successive

$$(S_n f)\left(\frac{j}{n}\right) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E_{n,k}\left(f; \frac{k}{n}\right) \stackrel{k=k_0=[nx], \ x=\frac{j}{n}}{=}$$

$$= \left(1 - \left\{n \cdot \frac{j}{n}\right\}\right) + \left\{n \cdot \frac{j}{n}\right\} f\left(\frac{1 + \left\lfloor n \cdot \frac{j}{n}\right\rfloor}{n}\right)$$

but  $n \cdot \frac{j}{n} = 0$ , and from that results

$$(S_n f)\left(\frac{j}{n}\right) = f\left(\frac{j}{n}\right)$$

we have

$$(S_n f)(x) = (1 - \{nx\}) f\left(\frac{[nx]}{n}\right) + \{nx\} f\left(\frac{1 + [nx]}{n}\right).$$

But

$$|t - x|_{+} = \frac{1}{2}(|t - x| + t - x)[x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}; |t - x|_{+}]_{t} = \frac{1}{2}[x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}; |t - x|]_{t} + \frac{1}{2}\underbrace{[x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}; t - x]_{t}}_{0}$$

**Theorem 3** We have the following representation:

$$(R_n f)(x) = -\frac{z_n(x)(1-z_n(x))}{n^2} \left[ \frac{[nx]}{n}, x \frac{1+[nx]}{n}; f \right] +$$

$$+\frac{2}{n}\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{k-2}{n}, \frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}; f\right] \varphi_{k,n}(x) ,$$

where 
$$z_n = \{nx\}$$
 and  $\varphi_{k,n}(x) = \Omega_{k,n}(x) - (L_n\Omega_{k,n})(x)$  and  $\Omega_{k,n}(t) = \left|\frac{k-1}{n} - t\right|$ .

**Proof.** Using the next representation:

$$(7) (S_n f)(x) = a_{0,n}(f)x + b_{0,n}(f) + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{k-2}{n}, \frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}; f \right] \cdot \left| \frac{k-1}{n} - x \right|$$

and

(8) 
$$(S_n f)(t) = a_{0,n}(f)t + b_{0,n}(f) + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{k-2}{n}, \frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}; f \right] \cdot \left| \frac{k-1}{n} - t \right|.$$

We calculate (7)-(8):

$$(S_n f)(x) - (S_n f)(t) = a_{0,n}(f)(x-t) +$$

$$+\frac{2}{n}\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{k-2}{n}, \frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}; f \right] \cdot \left( \left| \frac{k-1}{n} - x \right| - \left| \frac{k-1}{n} - t \right| \right)$$

Applied on (9) linear operator  $L_n$ , refer to t and we take the result on x.

From that result:

$$(S_{n}f)(x) - (L_{n}S_{n}f)(x) = a_{0,n}(f)\underbrace{(x - (L_{n}e_{1})(x))}_{0}$$

$$+ \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{k-2}{n}, \frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}; f \right] \cdot \left( \left| \frac{k-1}{n} - x \right| - (L_{n}\Omega_{k,n})(x) \right).$$

$$f(x) - f(x) + (S_{n}f)(x) - (L_{n}f)(x)$$

$$= \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{k-2}{n}, \frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}; f \right] \cdot (\Omega_{k,n}(x) - (L_{n}\Omega_{k,n})(x))$$

From (\*) result

$$f(x) - (L_n f)(x) = [f(x) - (S_n f)(x)] + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{k-2}{n}, \frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}; f \right] \varphi_{k,n}(x)$$

where

$$\varphi_{k,n}(x) = \Omega_{k,n}(x) - (L_n \Omega_{k,n})(x).$$

But  $f(x) - (S_n f)(x)$  is a representation introduce by A. Lupaş in ([3], p23). And now we have

$$(R_n)(x) = -\frac{z_n(x)(1 - z_n(x))}{n^2} \left[ \frac{[nx]}{n}, x \frac{1 + [nx]}{n}; f \right] + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{k-2}{n}, \frac{k-1}{n}, \frac{k}{n}; f \right] \varphi_{k,n}(x)$$

where  $z_n(x) = \{nx\}$ , and

$$\varphi_{k,n}(x) = \Omega_{k,n}(x) - (L_n \Omega_{k,n})(x).$$

If  $\Omega_{k,n}$  are convergent, and if L is linear operator and positive with  $Le_j=e_j,\ j=0,1,\ldots$  then  $\forall\ h$  convex

$$h(x) \le (Lh)(x) \implies \varphi_{k,n}(x) \le 0$$
 (see [3]).

**Theorem 4** If  $L_n$ , verifies the hypothesis, then

$$(L_n e_2)(x) \ge \frac{nx[nx] + \{nx\}(1 + [nx])}{n^2}$$
 ,  $x \ge 0$ 

with  $e_2(t) = t^2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $f(t) = e_2(t)$ . From Theorem 3 we have:

$$(R_n e_2)(x) = -\frac{z_n(1-z_n)}{n^2} + \frac{2}{n} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \varphi_{k,n}(x).$$

But

$$(R_n e_2)(x) = x^2 - (L_n e_2)(x),$$

then

$$\frac{2}{n}\sum_{k=2}^{\infty}\varphi_{k,n}(x) = x^2 - (L_n e_2)(x) + \frac{z_n(1-z_n)}{n^2},$$

and because  $\varphi_{k,n} \leq 0$ , we have

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \varphi_{k,n}(x) = \frac{n}{2} \left[ x^2 - \left( L_n e_2(x) + \frac{\{nx\}(1 - \{nx\})}{n^2} \right) \right],$$

and

$$\underbrace{\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \varphi_{k,n}(x)}_{\text{constant}} = \frac{n}{2} \left[ \frac{([nx] + \{nx\})^2 + \{nx\} - \{nx\}^2}{n^2} - (L_n e_2)(x) \right]$$

$$= \frac{n}{2} \left[ \frac{([nx]^2 + 2[nx]\{nx\}) + \{nx\}}{n^2} - (L_n e_2)(x) \right] \le 0$$

From above we have

$$(L_n e_2)(x) \ge \frac{nx[nx] + \{nx\}(1 + [nx])}{n^2}, \quad x \ge 0$$

and  $e_2(t) = t^2$ .

# References

- [1] S.N. Bernstein, Démonstration du théorème de Weierstrass fondée sur la calcul des probabilités, Comm. Soc. Math. Charkow Sér. 2 t. 13, 1912, 1-2.
- [2] Franchetti C., Sull'innalzamento dell'ordine di aprossimazione dei polinomi di Bernstein, Rend. Sem. Mat. Univ. Politec. Torino, 28, 1968-1969, 1-7.
- [3] A. Lupaş, "Contribuții la teoria aproximării prin operatori liniari", Ph. D. Thesis, Cluj-Napoca: Babeş-Bolyai University, 1975.
- [4] A. Lupaş, "On the Remainder Term in some Approximation Formulas", General Mathematics 3, no.1-2, 1995.
- [5] A. Lupaş, "Classical polynomials and Approximation Theory.", Colloquiumvortrag, Angewandte Analysis, Univ. Duisburg / Germany, 1996.
- [6] F. Sofonea, "Remainder in approximation by means of certain linear operators", Mathematical Analysis and Aproximation Theory, Burg Verlag (Sibiu), 2002, 255-258.
- [7] F. Sofonea, "On a Class of Linear and Positive Operators", WSEAS Transactions on Mathematics, Issue 12, Volume 5, ISSN 1109-2769, 2006, 1263-1268.
- [8] F. Sofonea, "On a Sequence of Linear and Positive Operators", Results in Mathematics, ISSN 0378-6218, Birkhuser Verlag, 2009, 435-444.
- [9] D.D. Stancu, "Evaluation of the remainder term in approximation formulas by Bernstein polynomials", Math. Comp. 83 1963, 270-278.

#### Florin Sofonea

University "Lucian Blaga" of Sibiu Department of Mathematics Str. I. Raţiu, No. 5-7, 550012, Sibiu, Romania e-mail: florin.sofonea@ulbsibiu.ro