

WEIGHTED BEST LOCAL APPROXIMATION IN ORLICZ SPACE

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Abstract. We present a common fixed point theorem for generalized asymptotically non-expansive and noncommuting mappings in normed linear spaces.

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1 Introduction

The best multipoint local approximations of a given data has been studied by several authors. In [1] Beatson and Chui obtained results for the uniform norm when $n = 2$. In [5] Marano studied this problem in L^p , where the same speed at each point was assumed. This problem was also considered by Chui et al. in [2], and in this case, they introduced the concept of balanced point in L^p , where a different speed of convergence is considered at each point and where this fact also depends on p . In [3] Favier studied the best local approximation by polynomials with general norms in Orlicz spaces. In this paper we study the best local approximations in Orlicz spaces with a generalized concept of balanced points which depends also in this case, on the function ϕ .

We now introduce some notation. Let X be a bounded open set in \mathbb{R} and $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a sufficiently smooth function. We consider a finite measure space (X, \mathcal{A}, m) , where m is the Lebesgue measure and denote $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}(X, \mathcal{A}, m)$ the system of all equivalence classes of measurable real valued functions.

For each convex function $\phi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ with $\phi(x) = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$ define

$$L^\phi(X) = \{f \in \mathcal{M} : \int_X \phi(\alpha|f(x)|)dx < \infty, \text{ for some } \alpha > 0\}.$$

This class of function L^ϕ is called the Orlicz space determined by ϕ . The spaces L^ϕ can be endowed with the following norm

$$\|f\|_\phi := \inf\{\lambda > 0 : \int_X \phi\left(\frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda}\right)dx \leq 1\},$$

called the Luxemburg norm of L^ϕ . The spaces $(L^\phi, \|\cdot\|_\phi)$ is a Banach spaces (see e.g. [4]).

In this paper we will use the following condition. We say the function ϕ satisfies the Δ_2 condition if there exists a constant $M > 0$ such that $\phi(2x) \leq M\phi(x)$ for $x \geq 0$, and we say ϕ satisfies Δ' condition if there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that $\phi(xy) \leq C\phi(x)\phi(y)$ for $x, y \geq 0$. There is some property about these conditions, for example, Δ' condition imply Δ_2 condition, furthermore it is well known that if ϕ satisfies Δ_2 condition then L^ϕ space can be defined as

$$L^\phi(X) = \left\{ f : \int_X \phi(\alpha|f(x)|)dx < \infty, \text{ for any } \alpha > 0 \right\}.$$

We assume in the sequel that the convex function ϕ satisfies Δ' condition. For a detailed study of Orlicz spaces the reader is referred to [4].

Given n real points $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ we define for $\delta > 0$ a net of measurable sets

$$V_k = V_k(\delta), \quad k = 1, \dots, n,$$

where $V_k(\delta) = x_k + \varepsilon_k(\delta) A_k(\delta)$ and $A_k = A_k(\delta)$ a measurable set with measure 1 and $\varepsilon_k = \varepsilon_k(\delta) \searrow 0$ as $\delta \rightarrow 0$. We point out that the sets A_k are uniformly bounded for all $\delta > 0$.

For each $\delta > 0$ the function f will be approximated on the set $V = V(\delta) = \bigcup V_k$ by a function from a subspace S_N of L^ϕ . Denote $g_\delta \in S_N$ so that

$$\int_V \phi(|f(x) - g_\delta(x)|)dx \leq \int_V \phi(|f(x) - h(x)|)dx$$

for all $h \in S_N$. Such a function g_δ is called the best ϕ -approximation of f from S_N .

Given f, S_N, ϕ and the n -tuples $\langle x_k \rangle := \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ and $\langle V_k \rangle := \langle V_1, \dots, V_n \rangle$, if we consider a net of best ϕ -approximation functions $\{g_\delta\}$ and it has a limit in S_N as $\delta \rightarrow 0$, then this limit is called the best local ϕ -approximation of f from S_N . Under certain conditions the best local ϕ -approximation can be obtained by Hermite interpolation. It can be calculated explicitly without having to find elements of the net $\{g_\delta\}$. The result will be presented in sections 3.

Now we make an assumption on the n -tuple $\langle \varepsilon_k \rangle$ which will guarantee that the terms of the form $\phi(\varepsilon_k^\alpha)\varepsilon_k$ can be compared with each other as functions of δ . We will assume a weaker condition than those in [2] for L^p case. However, in our case it depends also on ϕ . Namely, for any $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$ and any j, k such that $1 \leq j, k \leq n$, we assume that either $\phi(\varepsilon_j^\beta)\varepsilon_j = O(\phi(\varepsilon_k^\alpha)\varepsilon_k)$ or $\phi(\varepsilon_k^\alpha)\varepsilon_k = O(\phi(\varepsilon_j^\beta)\varepsilon_j)$ or both.

Given an n -tuple of functions $\langle \phi(\varepsilon_k^{\alpha_k})\varepsilon_k \rangle$ where $\alpha_k > 0$ is a positive real number, $\phi(\varepsilon_j^{\alpha_j})\varepsilon_j$ is said to be maximal if for all k , $1 \leq k \leq n$, $\phi(\varepsilon_k^{\alpha_k})\varepsilon_k = O(\phi(\varepsilon_j^{\alpha_j})\varepsilon_j)$. We denote it by $\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{\alpha_k})\varepsilon_k\}$.

Remark 1. The assumption over the n -tuple $\langle \varepsilon_k \rangle$ imply the existence of $\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{\alpha_k})\varepsilon_k\}$ for any n -tuple $\langle \alpha_k \rangle$ of positive real numbers.

We assume that f and S_N lie in $PC^m(X)$, where $PC^m(X)$ is the class of functions with $m - 1$ continuous derivatives and with piecewise continuous m^{th} derivative. The space S_N is assumed to be fully interpolating at the set $\langle x_k \rangle$, that is if $S_N \in PC^m(X)$ and i_1, \dots, i_n are nonnegative integers with $i_k \leq m$ and $\sum_{k=1}^n i_k = N$ then there is a unique $g \in S_N$ such that $g^{(j)}(x_k) = a_{j,k}$, $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, where the $a_{j,k}$ are an arbitrary set of real numbers.

2 Preliminary Results

In this section we prove two Lemmas, which will be used to obtain the main results and which follow the way used in [2] for L^p case. The following Lemma provides an order of the error $\int_V \phi(|f - g|)dx$ when $g \in S_N$ and satisfies $f^{(j)}(x_k) = g^{(j)}(x_k)$, $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$.

Lemma 2.1. *Let i_1, \dots, i_n be positive integers. Suppose $h \in PC^m(X)$, where $m = \max\{i_k\}$, and that $h^{(j)}(x_k) = 0$, $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Then*

$$\int_V \phi(|h|)dx = O(\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k})\varepsilon_k\}).$$

Proof. Approximating h by the Taylor polynomial about x_k , we have

$$h(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{i_k-1} \frac{h^{(j)}(x_k)}{j!} (x - x_k)^j + R_k(x),$$

where $R_k(x) = \frac{h^{(i_k)}(\xi)}{i_k!} (x - x_k)^{i_k}$, ξ is between x and x_k . It means $R_k(x) = O((x - x_k)^{i_k})$. Since $h^{(j)}(x_k) = 0$, $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, we have $h(x) = O((x - x_k)^{i_k})$, $x \in V_k$. Thus, by the Δ_2 condition and

setting $x - x_k = \varepsilon_k y$, we obtain

$$\int_{V_k} \phi(|h(x)|) dx \leq M \int_{V_k} \phi(|x - x_k|^{i_k}) dx \leq M \int_{A_k} \varepsilon_k \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k} |y|^{i_k}) dy \leq M' \varepsilon_k \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}),$$

since A_k are uniformly bounded for all $\delta > 0$. Finally

$$\int_V \phi(|h|) dx \leq M \sum_{k=1}^n \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}) \varepsilon_k \leq M' \max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}) \varepsilon_k\},$$

or

$$\int_V \phi(|h|) dx = O(\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}) \varepsilon_k\}),$$

as required.

We now cite the Lemma 3 from [2] which will be used in the sequel.

Lemma 2.2. *Let Λ be a family of uniformly bounded measurable subsets of the real line with measure 1. Let $P(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_mx^m$ be an arbitrary polynomial of degree m . Then there exists a constant M (depending on m) such that for all $P(x)$ and all $A \in \Lambda$,*

$$|c_k| \leq M \|P(x)\|_{L_p(A)},$$

$$1 \leq p \leq \infty, \quad 0 \leq k \leq m.$$

As a consequence of this Lemma we obtain a similar result in L^ϕ .

Corollary 2.3. *Let Λ be a family of uniformly bounded measurable subsets of the real line with measure 1. Let $P(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_mx^m$ be an arbitrary polynomial of degree m . Then there exists a constant M (depending on m) such that for all $P(x)$ and all $A \in \Lambda$,*

$$\phi(|c_k|) \leq M \int_A \phi(|P(x)|) dx,$$

for $0 \leq k \leq m$.

Proof. In the following, the constant M can be different in each occurrence. We know there is a constant M such that for all $P(x)$ and all $A \in \Lambda$, $|c_k| \leq M \int_A |P(x)| dx$, $0 \leq k \leq m$, then

$$\phi(|c_k|) \leq M' \phi(M) \phi\left(\int_A |P(x)| dx\right),$$

since ϕ is an increasing function which satisfies the Δ' condition. Now, using the Jensen's inequality we obtain

$$\phi(|c_k|) \leq M \int_A \phi(|P(x)|) dx, \quad 0 \leq k \leq m,$$

for all $A \in \Lambda$. This completes the proof.

3 Φ -Balanced Neighborhood in L^ϕ

The following definition generalizes a concept given in [2] for the L^p space.

Definition 3.1. Given an n -tuple $\langle \varepsilon_k \rangle$; an n -tuple $\langle i_k \rangle$ of nonnegative integers is said to be ϕ -balanced if for each j such that $i_j > 0$,

$$\phi \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_j^{i_j-1}} \right) \max \left\{ \frac{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}) \varepsilon_k}{\varepsilon_j} \right\} = o(1).$$

If $\langle i_k \rangle$ is ϕ -balanced, then $\sum_{k=1}^n i_k$ is said to be a ϕ -balanced integer.

The n -tuple $\langle V_k \rangle$ is said to be ϕ -balanced neighborhoods if the dimension N of the space S_N is a ϕ -balanced integer.

Remark 2. If $\phi(x) = x^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$ the definition of ϕ -balanced is equivalent to those considered by Chui et al. in [2].

Example 3.2. Let be $\phi(x) = x^3(1 + |\ln x|)$ with $\phi(0) = 0$ a function that satisfies Δ' condition and $\langle \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \rangle = \langle \delta, e^{-1/\delta} \rangle$, then each integer N is a ϕ -balanced integer.

Remark 3. For each ϕ -balanced integer there corresponds exactly one ϕ -balanced $\langle i_k \rangle$. In fact, since ϕ satisfies the Δ' condition and we suppose there is $\langle i_k \rangle \neq \langle i'_k \rangle$ with $\sum_{k=1}^n i_k = \sum_{k=1}^n i'_k$ and $\langle i_k \rangle$ ϕ -balanced, then there exist j, l with $i_j < i'_j$ and $i'_l < i_l$, such that

$$\phi \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_j^{i'_j-1}} \right) \frac{\phi(\varepsilon_l^{i'_l}) \varepsilon_l}{\varepsilon_j} \geq \phi \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_j^{i_j-1}} \right) \frac{\phi(\varepsilon_l^{i_l-1}) \varepsilon_l}{\varepsilon_j} \geq M \frac{1}{\phi \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_l^{i_l-1}} \right) \frac{\phi(\varepsilon_j^{i_j}) \varepsilon_j}{\varepsilon_l}},$$

and the last expression tends to infinite, so $\langle i'_k \rangle$ is not ϕ -balanced.

In [2] it was given an algorithm which generates all balanced integers in L^p spaces. Now, we will present an algorithm that inductively generates all the integers m which can be ϕ -balanced in L^ϕ , say, it generates n -tuple $\langle i_k^{(m)} \rangle$ such that $\sum_{k=1}^n i_k^{(m)} = m$.

Beginning with the ϕ -balanced n -tuple $\langle i_k^{(0)} \rangle = \langle 0 \rangle$ corresponding to the ϕ -balanced integer 0 and given $\langle i_k^{(m)} \rangle$, determine a maximal element of $\langle \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k^{(m)}}) \varepsilon_k \rangle$, say $\phi(\varepsilon_{k^*}^{i_{k^*}^{(m)}}) \varepsilon_{k^*} = \max \{ \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k^{(m)}}) \varepsilon_k \}$ and define $i_k^{(m+1)} = i_k^{(m)}$ for $k \neq k^*$ and $i_{k^*}^{(m+1)} = i_{k^*}^{(m)} + 1$ for $k = k^*$.

Remark 4. The algorithm reduces, at each step, the largest value of $\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k})$ by incrementing the exponent by 1.

Lemma 3.3.

a) The above algorithm generates all ϕ -balanced $\langle i_k \rangle$.

b) If a n -tuple $\langle i_k^{(m)} \rangle$ generated by the algorithm ($m \geq 1$) is ϕ -balanced, then there is a unique maximal element of $\langle \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k^{(m-1)}}) \varepsilon_k \rangle$.

Proof. First we prove a). Suppose that $\langle i_k \rangle$ is ϕ -balanced with $\sum_{k=1}^n i_k = m$ and $\langle i_k^{(m)} \rangle$ as obtained by the algorithm is not ϕ -balanced. Then, there exist indices r, s with $i_r^{(m)} > i_r$ and $i_s > i_s^{(m)}$ such that, using the ϕ -balanced integer definition,

$$\phi(\varepsilon_r^{i_r^{(m)}-1}) \varepsilon_r = O(\phi(\varepsilon_r^{i_r}) \varepsilon_r) = O\left(\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}) \varepsilon_k\}\right) = o\left(\frac{\varepsilon_s}{\phi\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_s^{i_s-1}}\right)}\right),$$

and from the Δ' condition on ϕ , the last expression is an $o(\phi(\varepsilon_s^{i_s-1}) \varepsilon_s)$, so

$$\phi(\varepsilon_r^{i_r^{(m)}-1}) \varepsilon_r = o(\phi(\varepsilon_s^{i_s^{(m)}}) \varepsilon_s).$$

Since $i_r^{(m)} > 0$ at some previous step $\phi(\varepsilon_r^{i_r^{(m)}-1}) \varepsilon_r$ was maximal of $\langle \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k^{(m')}}) \varepsilon_k \rangle$ with $m' < m$, so $\phi(\varepsilon_r^{i_r^{(m)}-1}) \varepsilon_r = \max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k^{(m)}}) \varepsilon_k\}$ because the exponents are non-decreasing at each step of the algorithm. Thus for any k

$$\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k^{(m)}}) \varepsilon_k = O(\phi(\varepsilon_r^{i_r^{(m)}-1}) \varepsilon_r),$$

which is a contradiction.

Now we will prove b). If $\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k^{(m-1)}}) \varepsilon_k\}$ is not unique then $\langle i_k^{(m)} \rangle$ cannot be ϕ -balanced because if the indices j and s gives a maximal element of $\langle \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k^{(m-1)}}) \varepsilon_k \rangle$ then there exist two constants M, N such that

$$M \leq \frac{\phi(\varepsilon_j^{i_j^{(m-1)}}) \varepsilon_j}{\phi(\varepsilon_s^{i_s^{(m-1)}}) \varepsilon_s} \leq N.$$

Suppose that $i_k^{(m)} = i_k^{(m-1)}$ for $k \neq s$ and $i_k^{(m)} = i_k^{(m-1)} + 1$ for $k = s$, so $i_s^{(m)} > 0$ and then

$$\begin{aligned} \phi\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_s^{i_s^{(m)}-1}}\right) \max\left\{\frac{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k^{(m)}}) \varepsilon_k}{\varepsilon_s}\right\} &= \phi\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_s^{i_s^{(m-1)}}}\right) \frac{\phi(\varepsilon_j^{i_j^{(m-1)}}) \varepsilon_j}{\varepsilon_s} \\ &\geq A \frac{\phi(\varepsilon_j^{i_j^{(m-1)}}) \varepsilon_j}{\phi(\varepsilon_s^{i_s^{(m-1)}}) \varepsilon_s} \geq AM, \end{aligned}$$

by the Δ' condition. This show that $\langle i_k^{(m)} \rangle$ cannot be ϕ -balanced.

Remark 5. The inverse inequality hand of the Lemma 3.3 does not hold.

For example, if we take $\phi(x) = x^3(|\ln x| + 1)$ with $\phi(0) = 0$ and $\langle \varepsilon_k \rangle = \langle \delta, \delta^4 \rangle$, then in the first step, the algorithm generate $\langle 1, 0 \rangle$ with a unique corresponding maximal element $\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k})\varepsilon_k\} = \phi(\varepsilon_1^1)\varepsilon_1$, however the bi-tuple $\langle 2, 0 \rangle$ is not ϕ -balanced. In [2] it is proved the inverse inequality of this Lemma for the L^p case assuming a stronger condition on the n -tuple $\langle \varepsilon_k \rangle$.

4 Best Local ϕ -approximation in Orlicz Spaces with Φ -balanced Neighborhood

We now turn to the main result concerning the behavior of the net $\{g_\delta\}$ of best ϕ -approximations and for its proof we need the following three Lemmas.

Lemma 4.1. *Given $\langle \varepsilon_k \rangle$ and $\langle i_k \rangle$, define $m = \max\{i_k\}$. Let $f \in PC^m(X)$ and $S_N \subseteq PC^m(X)$. If we consider a net $\{g_\delta\}$ of best ϕ -approximation such that*

$$\int_X \phi(|g_\delta|)dx \longrightarrow \infty, \quad \text{as } \delta \longrightarrow 0, \tag{1}$$

then the net of functions

$$h_\delta = \frac{g - g_\delta}{\int_X |g - g_\delta|dx},$$

where $g \in S_N$ interpolate $f^{(j)}(x_k)$, $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, satisfies the following properties

- i) $\int_X \phi(|h_\delta|)dx \geq A > 0$;
- ii) $\int_V \phi(|h_\delta|)dx = o\left(\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k})\varepsilon_k\}\right)$.

Proof. Property *i*) follows by using Jensen's inequality, and the pro-perty *ii*) is a consequence of the hypothesis. In fact, since ϕ satisfies the Δ_2 condition

$$\int_X \phi(|g_\delta|)dx \leq M \left(\int_X \phi(|g_\delta - g|)dx + \int_X \phi(|g|)dx \right),$$

so, using (1) we obtain

$$\int_X \phi(|g - g_\delta|)dx \longrightarrow \infty, \tag{2}$$

as $\delta \longrightarrow 0$, or

$$\int_X |g - g_\delta|dx \longrightarrow \infty,$$

as $\delta \rightarrow 0$, because if there were a sequence $\{\delta_s\}$ such that $\int_X |g - g_{\delta_s}| dx \leq M$ for all δ_s , then $\|g - g_{\delta_s}\|_\infty \leq M$ for all δ_s since the norms are equivalent, and so $\int_X \phi(|g - g_{\delta_s}|) dx \leq M'$, which is a contradiction.

On the other hand, by the Δ_2 condition on ϕ and Lemma ??

$$\begin{aligned} \int_V \phi(|g - g_\delta|) dx &\leq M \int_V \phi(|g - f|) dx + M \int_V \phi(|f - g_\delta|) dx \\ &= O\left(\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}) \varepsilon_k\}\right), \end{aligned}$$

then, since ϕ is a convex function

$$\int_V \phi(|h_\delta|) dx \leq \frac{1}{\int_X |g - g_\delta| dx} \int_V \phi(|g - g_\delta|) dx = o\left(\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}) \varepsilon_k\}\right),$$

as required.

Lemma 4.2. Given $\langle \varepsilon_k \rangle$, set a ϕ -balanced n -tuple $\langle i_k \rangle$ such that $N = \sum_{k=1}^n i_k$ and define $m = \max\{i_k\}$. If $f \in PC^m(X)$, $S_N \subseteq PC^m(X)$ and $\{g_\delta\}$ is a net of best ϕ -approximation, then there exists $M > 0$ such that for all $\delta > 0$,

$$\int_X \phi(|g_\delta|) dx \leq M.$$

Proof. Suppose $\{\delta_r\}$ is a sequence such that

$$\int_X \phi(|g_{\delta_r}|) dx \rightarrow \infty,$$

as $\delta_r \rightarrow 0$. Let g be a fixed function in S_N interpolating the derivatives $f^{(j)}(x_k)$, $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$ and define

$$h_{\delta_r} = \frac{g - g_{\delta_r}}{\int_X |g - g_{\delta_r}| dx},$$

then, using Lemma 3.1, we have

- i) $\int_X \phi(|h_{\delta_r}|) dx \geq A > 0$, for all δ_r .
- ii) $\int_V \phi(|h_{\delta_r}|) dx = o\left(\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}) \varepsilon_k\}\right)$.

Expanding h_{δ_r} by Taylor polynomials we obtain for each k

$$h_{\delta_r}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{i_k-1} \frac{h_{\delta_r}^{(j)}(x_k)}{j!} (x - x_k)^j + R_{\delta_r}(x),$$

where $R_{\delta_r}(x) = O((x - x_k)^{i_k})$ uniformly in δ_r . In fact, since $\|h_{\delta_r}\|_{L^1(X)} \leq 1$ for all δ_r and using the fact that the norms are equivalent in S_N , we can choose the norm

$$\|h_{\delta_r}\| := \sup_{x \in X} \{|h_{\delta_r}(x)| + \dots + |h_{\delta_r}^{(i_k)}(x)|\}$$

to show the statement.

This uniform bound of $R_{\delta_r}(x)$ leads to

$$\int_{V_k} \phi(|R_{\delta_r}(x)|) dx = O(\varepsilon_k \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k})),$$

for all r , taking $x - x_k = \varepsilon_k y$ and using that the sets A_k are uniformly bounded. Thus, using property ii) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{V_k} \phi \left(\left| \sum_{j=0}^{i_k-1} \frac{h_{\delta_r}^{(j)}(x_k)}{j!} (x - x_k)^j \right| \right) dx \\ & \leq M \int_{V_k} \phi \left(\left| \sum_{j=0}^{i_k-1} \frac{h_{\delta_r}^{(j)}(x_k)}{j!} (x - x_k)^j + R_{\delta_r}(x) \right| \right) dx + M \int_{V_k} \phi(|R_{\delta_r}(x)|) dx \\ & = M \int_{V_k} \phi(|h_{\delta_r}|) dx + O(\varepsilon_k \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k})) \leq M \int_V \phi(|h_{\delta_r}|) dx + O(\varepsilon_k \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k})) \\ & = o\left(\max\{\phi(\varepsilon_l^{i_l})\varepsilon_l\}\right) + O(\varepsilon_k \phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k})), \end{aligned}$$

if we substitute $x - x_k = \varepsilon_k y$ again we obtain

$$\int_{A_k} \phi \left(\left| \sum_{j=0}^{i_k-1} \frac{h_{\delta_r}^{(j)}(x_k)}{j!} (\varepsilon_k)^j y^j \right| \right) dy = O\left(\max\left\{\frac{\phi(\varepsilon_l^{i_l})\varepsilon_l}{\varepsilon_k}\right\}\right),$$

$1 \leq k \leq n$. From Corollary 2.3

$$\phi \left(\left| \frac{h_{\delta_r}^{(j)}(x_k)}{j!} (\varepsilon_k)^j \right| \right) = O\left(\max\left\{\frac{\phi(\varepsilon_l^{i_l})\varepsilon_l}{\varepsilon_k}\right\}\right),$$

$j = 0, \dots, i_k - 1, 1 \leq k \leq n$, using that ϕ satisfies the Δ' condition, for each k we get

$$\phi(|h_{\delta_r}^{(j)}(x_k)|) \leq M \phi\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_k^{i_k-1}}\right) O\left(\max\left\{\frac{\phi(\varepsilon_l^{i_l})\varepsilon_l}{\varepsilon_k}\right\}\right),$$

$j = 0, \dots, i_k - 1$, finally. Since N is a ϕ -balanced integer and ϕ an increasing function, we obtain

$$h_{\delta_r}^{(j)}(x_k) = o(1),$$

$0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1, 1 \leq k \leq n$, and when $\delta_r \rightarrow 0$. Now, since $h_{\delta_r} \in S_N$ we get for $h_{\delta_r} = \sum_{i=1}^N a_{\delta_r, i} \tilde{h}_i$ where $\{\tilde{h}_1, \dots, \tilde{h}_N\}$ is a basis of S_N . So h_{δ_r} is uniquely determined by the N values $h_{\delta_r}^{(j)}(x_k), 0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1, 1 \leq k \leq n$, using the fixed linear transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{h}_1(x_1) & \dots & \tilde{h}_N(x_1) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \tilde{h}_1^{(i_n-1)}(x_n) & \dots & \tilde{h}_N^{(i_n-1)}(x_n) \end{pmatrix},$$

then $h_{\delta_r} \rightarrow 0$ as $\delta_r \rightarrow 0$ and then

$$\lim_{\delta_r \rightarrow 0} \int_X \phi(|h_{\delta_r}|) dx = 0$$

which contradicts property *i*). Thus g_δ must be bounded for all δ and the proof of the Lemma is complete.

Lemma 4.3. *Given $\langle \varepsilon_k \rangle$ and a ϕ -balanced n -tuple $\langle i_k \rangle$ such that $N = \sum_{k=1}^n i_k$, define $m = \max\{i_k\}$. If $f \in PC^m(X), S_N \subseteq PC^m(X)$ and $\{g_\delta\}$ is a net of best ϕ -approximation, then for each k*

$$\phi(|(f - g_\delta)^{(j)}(x_k)| \varepsilon_k^j) = O\left(\max\left\{\frac{\phi(\varepsilon_l^{i_l}) \varepsilon_l}{\varepsilon_k}\right\}\right),$$

$0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$.

Proof. For each k , expanding $f - g_\delta$ using Taylor polynomials, we obtain

$$(f - g_\delta)(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{i_k-1} \frac{(f - g_\delta)^{(j)}(x_k)}{j!} (x - x_k)^j + R_\delta(x).$$

We may use the above argument to show that $R_\delta(x) = O((x - x_k)^{i_k})$ uniformly in δ . In fact, it follows from Lemma 3.2 that $\int_X \phi(|g_\delta|) dx \leq M$ for all δ , thus $\|g_\delta\|_\phi \leq M$ for all δ and using that the norms are equi-valent in S_N , we can choose again the norm

$$\|h_{\delta_r}\| = \sup_{x \in X} \{|h_{\delta_r}(x)| + \dots + |h_{\delta_r}^{(i_k)}(x)|\}$$

to show the statement.

These uniform bound of $R_\delta(x)$ and of the sets A_k , substituting $x - x_k = \varepsilon_k y$, leads to

$$\int_{V_k} \phi(|R_\delta(x)|) dx = O(\phi(\varepsilon_k^{i_k}) \varepsilon_k). \tag{3}$$

On the other hand, using a fixed $g \in S_N$ which interpolates the derivatives $f^{(j)}(x_k)$, $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, from Lemma 1.1 we obtain

$$\int_V \phi(|f - g_\delta|) dx = O\left(\max\{\phi(\epsilon_k^{i_k})\epsilon_k\}\right),$$

thus, using (3) and the Δ_2 condition, we obtain for each k

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{V_k} \phi\left(\left|\sum_{j=0}^{i_k-1} \frac{(f - g_\delta)^{(j)}(x_k)}{j!} (x - x_k)^j\right|\right) dx &\leq M \int_{V_k} \phi(|f - g_\delta|) dx \\ &+ M \int_{V_k} \phi(|R_\delta(x)|) dx = O\left(\max\{\phi(\epsilon_l^{i_l})\epsilon_l\}\right) + O(\epsilon_k \phi(\epsilon_k^{i_k})) \\ &= O\left(\max\{\phi(\epsilon_l^{i_l})\epsilon_l\}\right), \end{aligned}$$

and finally if we substitute $x - x_k = \epsilon_k y$ then for each k

$$\int_{A_k} \phi\left(\left|\sum_{j=0}^{i_k-1} \frac{(f - g_\delta)^{(j)}(x_k)}{j!} \epsilon_k^j y^j\right|\right) dy = O\left(\max\left\{\frac{\phi(\epsilon_l^{i_l})\epsilon_l}{\epsilon_k}\right\}\right).$$

Now we conclude from Corollary 1.3 and the Δ_2 condition that

$$\phi(|(f - g_\delta)^{(j)}(x_k)\epsilon_k^j|) = O\left(\max\left\{\frac{\phi(\epsilon_l^{i_l})\epsilon_l}{\epsilon_k}\right\}\right),$$

$0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, for each k , as we required.

Now we present the following result.

Theorem 4.4. *If N is a ϕ -balanced integer with ϕ -balanced $\langle i_k \rangle$ and $f \in PC^m(X)$, $S_N \in PC^m(X)$, ($m = \max\{i_k\}$), then the best local ϕ -approximation of f from S_N is the unique $g \in S_N$ defined by the N interpolation conditions*

$$f^{(j)}(x_k) = g^{(j)}(x_k),$$

$0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$.

Proof. From Lemma 3.3

$$\phi(|(f - g_\delta)^{(j)}(x_k)\epsilon_k^j|) = O\left(\max\left\{\frac{\phi(\epsilon_l^{i_l})\epsilon_l}{\epsilon_k}\right\}\right)$$

for $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Using the Δ' condition and the ϕ -balanced integer definition we have for each k

$$\phi(|(f - g_\delta)^{(j)}(x_k)|) = \phi\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_k^{i_k-1}}\right) O\left(\max\left\{\frac{\phi(\epsilon_l^{i_l})\epsilon_l}{\epsilon_k}\right\}\right) = o(1)$$

for $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, thus, since ϕ is an increasing function with $\phi(x) = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} g_\delta^{(j)}(x_k) = f^{(j)}(x_k)$$

for $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. Now we will do a similar above analysis. As g_δ is uniquely determined via a fixed linear transformation with rank N from the N values $g_\delta^{(j)}(x_k)$, $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$, then g_δ must converge to the unique g satisfying

$$g^{(j)}(x_k) = f^{(j)}(x_k)$$

for $0 \leq j \leq i_k - 1$, $1 \leq k \leq n$. This g is by definition the best local ϕ -approximation of f from S_N .

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