

EXPONENTIAL APPROXIMATION ON THE REAL LINE

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1. Introduction

This paper is devoted to exponential approximation, in the norms and seminorms, of some real-valued functions and their derivatives on the real line $R = (-\infty, \infty)$. Theorems of Section 2 concern the functions of Bernoulli's type. Section 3 contains analogous results, but of more general character. They correspond to the Ganelius and author's theorems about one-sided trigonometric approximation, announced in [2] and [7]. We adopt the following convenient notation.

Given a finite $p \geq 1$, let $L^p(a, b)$ be the space of all complex-valued functions Lebesgue-integrable with p th power on the interval (a, b) . Denote by $L^\infty(a, b)$ the space of all measurable functions essentially bounded on (a, b) . As usual, the norm of a function $f \in L^p(a, b)$ is defined by

$$\|f\|_{L^p(a,b)} = \begin{cases} (\int_a^b |f(x)|^p dx)^{1/p} & \text{if } p < \infty, \\ \text{ess sup}_{x \in (a,b)} |f(x)| & \text{if } p = \infty. \end{cases}$$

We write $L^p(R)$ or L^p instead of $L^p(-\infty, \infty)$. Moreover, by convention, $L = L^1$.

Let L_{loc}^p be the class of all complex-valued functions belonging to every space $L^p(a, b)$, with finite a, b ($a < b$). Denote by AC_{loc}^m the class of complex-valued functions f having the derivative $f^{(m)}$ absolutely continuous on each finite interval $\langle a, b \rangle$. Write AC_{loc} instead of AC_{loc}^0 .

For any function $f \in L_{loc}^p$, the limit

$$\|f\|_p = \lim_{\substack{a \rightarrow -\infty \\ b \rightarrow \infty}} \|f\|_{L^p(a,b)}$$

is finite or infinite. In the case of $f \in L^p(R)$, $\|f\|_p = \|f\|_{L^p(R)} < \infty$.

Given a (complex-valued) function f bounded on each finite interval $I = \langle a, b \rangle$, let us define the p th power variation of f on I as

$$V_p(f; I) = \sup_{\Pi} \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} |f(t_{j+1}) - f(t_j)|^p \right\}^{1/p} \quad (p > 0),$$

where Π denotes the partition $\{a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{n-1} < t_n = b\}$. Write

$$V_p(f) = V_p(f; R) = \sup_I V_p(f; I) \quad (I \subset R).$$

This is our basic seminorm.

Consider, now, a (complex-valued) function f measurable and bounded on finite intervals of R . Introduce its local modulus of continuity

$$\omega[\delta; f](x) = \sup_{u, v \in I_\delta(x)} |f(u) - f(v)|, \quad I_\delta(x) = \langle x - \delta/2, x + \delta/2 \rangle,$$

and average modulus of continuity

$$\tau(\delta; f)_p = \|\omega[\delta; f]\|_p \quad (0 \leq \delta < \infty, 1 \leq p \leq \infty).$$

Evidently $\tau(0; f)_p = 0$ always. If δ is a positive number, $\tau(\delta; f)_p$ may be finite or infinite (for existence and basic properties see [4], Sect. 1.3 and [6], Sect. 2).

Let E_σ be the class of all entire functions of exponential type, of order σ at most. Denote by $B_{\sigma, p}$ the class of these functions $F \in E_\sigma$ which belong also to $L^p(R)$.

Consider, next, a function f of class L^p_{loc} . Denote by $H_{\sigma, p}(f)$ the set of all functions $G \in E_\sigma$, such that $f - G \in L^p(R)$. Then, the quantity

$$A_\sigma(f)_p = \begin{cases} \inf_{S \in H_{\sigma, p}(f)} \|f - S\|_p & \text{if } H_{\sigma, p}(f) \text{ is not empty,} \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is called the *best exponential approximation* of f by entire functions belonging to $H_{\sigma, p}(f)$. In the case of an arbitrary real-valued f , the set of all entire functions $P \in E_\sigma$ [resp. $Q \in E_\sigma$], real-valued on R and such that

$$1) P(x) \geq f(x) \quad [Q(x) \leq f(x)] \text{ for all real } x,$$

$$2) P - f \in L^p(R) \quad [f - Q \in L^p(R)]$$

is signified by $H_{\sigma, p}^+(f)$ [$H_{\sigma, p}^-(f)$]. The best one-sided exponential approximations of f are defined by

$$A_\sigma^\pm(f)_p = \begin{cases} \inf_{S \in H_{\sigma, p}^\pm(f)} \|f - S\|_p & \text{if } H_{\sigma, p}^\pm(f) \text{ is not empty,} \\ \infty & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The symbols c_k [resp. $c_l(r, \dots)$] ($k, l \in \mathbb{N}$), occurring in particular formulae, mean some positive absolute constants [positive numbers depending only on the indicated parameters r, \dots].

2. Approximation of Bernoulli's functions

Given a positive number c and a positive integer r , let ϱ be an even real-valued function continuous with its derivatives ϱ' , ϱ'' , ϱ''' on R , satisfying the conditions

- 1) $\varrho(0) = \varrho'(0) = \varrho''(0) = 0$,
- 2) $\varrho''(t) = o(t^{r+1})$ and $\varrho'''(t) = O(t^r)$ as $t \rightarrow 0+$,
- 3) $\varrho(t) = 1$ for all $t \geq c$.

Introduce the integral analogues of Bernoulli's functions:

$$\Phi_k(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-a}^a \frac{\varrho(t)}{(it)^k} e^{itx} dt \quad (x \in R, k = 1, 2, \dots, r).$$

It is easy to see that

$$(1) \quad \Phi_1(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ \int_0^c \frac{\varrho(t)}{t} \sin tx dt + \int_c^{\infty} \frac{1}{t} \sin tx dt \right\} \quad (x \in R).$$

Therefore, Φ_1 is a real-valued odd function continuous on $(0, \infty)$, for which

$$\Phi_1(0) = 0, \quad \Phi_1(0+) = 1/2, \quad \Phi_1(0-) = -1/2.$$

Under the assumption $x > 0$, the partial integrations lead to

$$(2) \quad \Phi_1(x) = \frac{-1}{\pi x^3} \left\{ \int_0^c \left(\frac{-6}{t^4} \varrho(t) + \frac{6}{t^3} \varrho'(t) - \frac{3}{t^2} \varrho''(t) + \frac{1}{t} \varrho'''(t) \right) \cos tx dt - 6 \int_c^{\infty} \frac{\cos tx}{t^4} dt \right\};$$

whence

$$\Phi_1(x) = O(x^{-3}) \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

For $x \geq 0$, the formula (1) yields

$$\Phi_1'(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ \int_0^c \varrho(t) \cos tx dt - \frac{\sin cx}{x} \right\} \quad \text{when } x \neq 0.$$

This implies that Φ_1' is continuous and bounded on $(0, \infty)$. Applying the representation (2), we obtain

$$\Phi_1'(x) = O(x^{-3}) \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

In the case $2 \leq k \leq r$, the Bernoulli functions Φ_k are real-valued, even [resp. odd] if k is even [odd]. Moreover, Φ_k are continuous on R and

$$\Phi_k(x) = O(x^{-3}) \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

Also, it can easily be observed that

$$\Phi_2'(x) = \Phi_1(x) \quad \text{for all real } x \neq 0,$$

$$\Phi'_3(x) = \Phi_2(x), \dots, \Phi'_r(x) = \Phi_{r-1}(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R},$$

whenever $r \geq 3$. Consequently, for $m = 1, 2, \dots, r-1$,

$$\Phi_{m+1}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \Phi_m(s) ds \quad (-\infty < x < \infty).$$

Now, the well-known result ([1], Sect. 101), connected with Bernoulli's functions, to one-sided and ordinary exponential approximations in L^p -metrics will be extended.

THEOREM 1. *Given a finite $\sigma \geq c$, there are two entire functions P_σ, Q_σ such that*

$$(i) \quad P_\sigma \in H_{\sigma,1}^+(\Phi_1), \quad Q_\sigma \in H_{\sigma,1}^-(\Phi_1)$$

and, for every $p \geq 1$,

$$(ii) \quad \|P_\sigma - \Phi_1\|_p \leq c_1 \sigma^{-1/p}, \quad \|\Phi_1 - Q_\sigma\|_p \leq c_1 \sigma^{-1/p},$$

$$(iii) \quad \|P'_\sigma - \Phi'_1\|_p \leq c_2 \sigma^{1-1/p}, \quad \|\Phi'_1 - Q'_\sigma\|_p \leq c_2 \sigma^{1-1/p}$$

(in the case $p = \infty$, the symbol $1/p$ should be treated as zero).

Proof. Let us consider the entire functions P_σ, Q_σ defined by

$$P_\sigma(z) = G_\sigma(z) + \frac{45\pi^2}{8} D_\sigma^+(z), \quad Q_\sigma(z) = G_\sigma(z) - \frac{45\pi^2}{8} D_\sigma^-(z),$$

where

$$G_\sigma(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_1(x_k) \frac{\sin \sigma(z - x_k)}{\sigma(z - x_k)}, \quad x_k = \frac{k\pi}{\sigma}$$

and

$$D_\sigma^\pm(z) = \left\{ \sin \frac{\sigma}{2} \left(z \pm \frac{\pi}{2\sigma} \right) \right\}^2 \left\{ \frac{\sigma}{2} \left(z \pm \frac{\pi}{2\sigma} \right) \right\}^{-2} \quad (z = x + iy).$$

As is known ([5], Sect. 2), these P_σ, Q_σ satisfy the relations of (i) and the inequalities of (ii) for $p = 1$. Assuming that $1 \leq p < \infty$, we will deduce the first estimates of (ii) and (iii), successively.

Let us start with the identities:

$$(3) \quad P_\sigma(x) - \Phi_1(x) = \frac{45\pi^2}{8} D_\sigma^+(x) - \{\Phi_1(x) - G_\sigma(x)\},$$

$$(4) \quad \Phi_1(x) - G_\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin tx}{t} dt + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t \sin tx}{(2k\sigma)^2 - t^2} dt,$$

$$(5) \quad \Phi_1(x) - G_\sigma(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin \sigma x \cos tx}{t + (2k+1)\sigma} dt$$

(see [1], Sects. 87-88 and 100-101).

Clearly,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |D_{\sigma}^{+}(x)|^p dx = \frac{4}{\sigma} \int_0^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin u}{u} \right|^{2p} du \leq \frac{4}{\sigma} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{\sin u}{u} \right)^2 du.$$

Consequently,

$$(6) \quad \|D_{\sigma}^{+}\|_p \leq (2\pi)^{1/p} \sigma^{-1/p}$$

and, by the inequality of Bernstein's type,

$$(7) \quad \|D_{\sigma}^{+'}\|_p \leq (2\pi)^{1/p} \sigma^{1-1/p}.$$

Therefore, it is enough to estimate similarly the difference $\Omega(x) = \Phi_1(x) - G_{\sigma}(x)$ and its derivative. Evidently, putting

$$A(x) = \int_{\sigma}^{-\infty} \frac{\sin tx}{t} dt, \quad B(x) = \int_0^{\sigma} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t \sin tx}{(2k\sigma)^2 - t^2} dt$$

and

$$F(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_0^{-\infty} \frac{\cos tx}{t + (2k+1)\sigma} dt \quad (x \neq 0),$$

we have (see (4)–(5))

$$(8) \quad \Omega(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} A(x) + \frac{2}{\pi} B(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} F(x) \sin \sigma x \quad (x \neq 0).$$

It can easily be verified that, for $x \neq 0$,

$$A(x) = \int_{\sigma x}^{-\infty} \frac{\sin u}{u} du, \quad A'(x) = -\frac{\sin \sigma x}{x},$$

$$B'(x) = \int_0^{\sigma} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^2 \cos tx}{(2k\sigma)^2 - t^2} dt,$$

$$F(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-1)^j \int_{j\pi}^{(j+1)\pi} \frac{|\sin u|}{\{u + (2k+1)\sigma x\}^2} du,$$

and

$$F'(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{j+1} \int_{j\pi}^{(j+1)\pi} \frac{(4k+2)\sigma |\sin u|}{\{u + (2k+1)\sigma x\}^3} du;$$

whence (see [5], Sect. 2),

$$0 < F(x) < 5/(\sigma x)^2, \quad 0 < -F'(x) < 10/(\sigma^2 x^3).$$

Write ξ instead of $2^{-1}x_1 = \pi/(2\sigma)$, and observe that

$$A(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} + \int_0^x A'(u) du = \frac{\pi}{2} - \int_0^x \frac{\sin \sigma u}{u} du \quad (x \geq 0).$$

This identity, together with the obvious estimate

$$\left| \int_0^x \frac{\sin \sigma u}{u} du \right| \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (0 \leq x \leq \xi),$$

gives

$$(9) \quad \left\{ \int_0^\xi |A(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} \leq \pi \left(\frac{\pi}{2\sigma} \right)^{1/p}.$$

By Minkowski's inequalities,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \int_0^\xi |B(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} &\leq \int_0^\sigma \left\{ \int_0^\xi \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t \sin tx}{(2k\sigma)^2 - t^2} \right|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} dt \\ &\leq \int_0^\sigma \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \int_0^\xi \left| \frac{t \sin tx}{(2k\sigma)^2 - t^2} \right|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} dt \\ &\leq \int_0^\sigma \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{t}{(2k\sigma)^2 - t^2} \xi^{1/p} dt \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\pi}{2\sigma} \right)^{1/p} \frac{1}{\sigma} \int_0^\sigma \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4k^2 - 1} dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\pi}{2\sigma} \right)^{1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$(10) \quad \left\{ \int_0^\xi |B(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} \leq \frac{\pi^2}{18} \left(\frac{\pi}{2\sigma} \right)^{1/p}.$$

Further, setting $C(x) = F(x) \sin \sigma x$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_\xi^\infty |C(x)|^p dx &\leq \int_\xi^\infty \left| \frac{5}{(\sigma x)^2} \sin \sigma x \right|^p dx \\ &= \int_\xi^{x_1} \left| \frac{5}{(\sigma x)^2} \sin \sigma x \right|^p dx + \sum_{\mu=1}^{\infty} \int_{x_\mu}^{x_{\mu+1}} \left| \frac{5}{(\sigma x)^2} \sin \sigma x \right|^p dx \\ &\leq \frac{5^p}{(\sigma \xi)^{2p}} \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} |\sin u|^p \frac{du}{\sigma} + \sum_{\mu=1}^{\infty} \frac{5^p}{(\sigma x_\mu)^{2p}} \int_{\mu\pi}^{(\mu+1)\pi} |\sin u|^p \frac{du}{\sigma} \\ &= \frac{5^p}{\pi^{2p} \sigma} (2^{2p} + 2) \sum_{\mu=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\mu^{2p}}; \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$(11) \quad \left\{ \int_\xi^\infty |C(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} \leq \frac{40}{(6\sigma)^{1/p}}.$$

From (3), (6), (8)–(11) and the identity

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Omega(x)|^p dx = 2 \left(\int_0^{\xi} + \int_{\xi}^{\infty} \right) |\Omega(x)|^p dx$$

the first part of (ii) follows. The second one can be obtained parallelly.

Passing to Ω' , we observe that

$$\int_0^{\xi} |A'(x)|^p dx = \sigma^{p-1} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left| \frac{\sin u}{u} \right|^p du \quad (\xi = \pi/2\sigma).$$

Hence

$$(12) \quad \left\{ \int_0^{\xi} |A'(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} \leq \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right)^{1/p} \sigma^{1-1/p}.$$

In view of Minkowski's inequalities,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \int_0^{\xi} |B'(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} &\leq \int_0^{\sigma} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \int_0^{\xi} \left| \frac{t^2 \cos tx}{(2k\sigma)^2 - t^2} \right|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} dt \\ &\leq \xi^{1/p} \int_0^{\sigma} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4k^2 - 1} dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{3} \xi^{1/p} \sigma \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$(13) \quad \left\{ \int_0^{\xi} |B'(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} \leq \frac{\pi^2}{18} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right)^{1/p} \sigma^{1-1/p}.$$

The derivative $C'(x)$ can be estimated (in absolute value) by

$$|F(x) \sigma \cos \sigma x| + |F'(x)| \quad (x > 0).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\xi}^{\infty} |C'(x)|^p dx \\ &\leq |F(\xi)|^p \int_{\xi}^{x_1} |\sigma \cos \sigma x|^p dx + \sum_{\mu=1}^{\infty} |F(x_{\mu})|^p \int_{x_{\mu}}^{x_{\mu+1}} |\sigma \cos \sigma x|^p dx + \int_{\xi}^{\infty} |F'(x)|^p dx \\ &\leq \sigma^{p-1} \left\{ \left(\frac{5}{(\sigma\xi)^2} \right)^p \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} |\cos u|^p du \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{\mu=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{5}{(\sigma x_{\mu})^2} \right|^p \int_{\mu\pi}^{(\mu+1)\pi} |\cos u|^p du \right\} + \int_{\xi}^{\infty} \left(\frac{10}{\sigma^2 x^3} \right)^p dx. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$(14) \quad \left\{ \int_{\xi}^{\infty} |C'(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} \leq 5 \left(\frac{12}{\pi^2} + \frac{1}{3} \right) \sigma^{1-1/p}.$$

The identities (3), (8) together with (7) and (12)–(14) lead to the assertion (iii), immediately.

Remark 1. From (iii) it follows that

$$V_p(P_\sigma - \Phi_1) \leq V_1(P_\sigma - \Phi_1) \leq 1 + c_2.$$

Evidently, the same estimates with Q_σ instead of P_σ are also true.

Remark 2. The assertion (ii) leads to the inequality

$$(15) \quad A_\sigma^\pm(f)_p \leq \frac{c_3}{\sigma} A_\sigma(f')_p \quad (0 < \sigma < \infty, 1 \leq p < \infty)$$

for each real-valued function $f \in AC_{loc}$ with $f' \in L^p_{loc}$ (Th. 3.2 of [5]).

THEOREM 2. *Given a number $\sigma \geq c$, a positive integer $n \leq r$ and an arbitrary $p \geq 1$, there exist entire functions $P_{\sigma,n}$, $Q_{\sigma,n}$ such that*

$$(i) \quad P_{\sigma,n} \in H_{\sigma,p}^+(\Phi_n), \quad Q_{\sigma,n} \in H_{\sigma,p}^-(\Phi_n)$$

and, for $v = 0, 1, \dots, n$,

$$(ii) \quad \|P_{\sigma,n}^{(v)} - \Phi_n^{(v)}\|_p \leq \frac{c_4(n, v)}{\sigma^{n-v-1+1/p}}, \quad \|Q_{\sigma,n}^{(v)} - \Phi_n^{(v)}\|_p \leq \frac{c_4(n, v)}{\sigma^{n-v-1+1/p}}.$$

Proof. In view of Theorem 1, we may suppose that $n \geq 2$.

Consider functions φ belonging to the space $L^p = L^p(\mathbb{R})$ ($1 \leq p \leq \infty$). Introduce the singular integral

$$(16) \quad W[\varphi](z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(t) K_\sigma(z-t) dt \quad (z = x+iy),$$

with

$$K_\sigma(\zeta) = (\cos \sigma\zeta - \cos 2\sigma\zeta)/(\sigma\zeta^2) \quad (0 < \sigma < \infty).$$

Clearly, $K_\sigma \in B_{2\sigma,1}$.

As is well known, $W[\varphi] \in E_{2\sigma}$ and, in the case of $\varphi \in B_{\sigma,p}$,

$$(17) \quad W[\varphi](x) = \varphi(x) \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

The estimate

$$\|K_\sigma\|_1 \leq c_5 \pi \quad (c_5 = (4 + 2 \log 3)/\pi)$$

implies

$$(18) \quad \|W[\varphi]\|_p \leq c_5 \|\varphi\|_p,$$

i.e., $W[\varphi] \in L^p$ (see [1], Sect. 106).

Write

$$\|\varphi\| = \|\varphi\|_p, \quad A_\sigma(\varphi) = A_\sigma(\varphi)_p, \quad A_\sigma^+(\varphi) = A_\sigma^+(\varphi)_p, \quad \Phi = \Phi_n.$$

Denote by $S[\varphi]$ the entire function of class $B_{\sigma,p}$ corresponding to a function $\varphi \in L^p$ for which

$$(19) \quad \|\varphi - S[\varphi]\| = A_\sigma(\varphi).$$

Choose the entire function $P \in H_{\sigma,p}^+(\Phi)$, such that

$$(20) \quad \|P - \Phi\| \leq 2 A_\sigma^+(\Phi).$$

Supposing that $0 \leq v \leq n$ and using the operator (16), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi^{(v)} - P^{(v)}\| &\leq \|\Phi^{(v)} - W[\Phi^{(v)}]\| + \|S^{(v)}[W[\Phi]] - P^{(v)}\| \\ &\quad + \|W[\Phi^{(v)}] - S^{(v)}[W[\Phi]]\| \\ &= M_1 + M_2 + M_3, \text{ say.} \end{aligned}$$

By (17), (19) and (18),

$$M_1 \leq \|\Phi^{(v)} - S[\Phi^{(v)}]\| + \|W[S[\Phi^{(v)}] - \Phi^{(v)}]\| \leq A_\sigma(\Phi^{(v)}) + c_5 A_\sigma(\Phi^{(v)}).$$

The Bernstein type inequality and (19), (17), (20) give

$$\begin{aligned} M_2 &\leq \sigma^v \|S[W[\Phi]] - P\| \\ &\leq \sigma^v \{ \|S[W[\Phi]] - W[\Phi]\| + \|W[\Phi] - S[\Phi]\| + \|S[\Phi] - \Phi\| + \|\Phi - P\| \} \\ &\leq \sigma^v \{ A_\sigma(W[\Phi]) + (c_5 + 1) A_\sigma(\Phi) + 2A_\sigma^+(\Phi) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Under the assumption $v \leq n - 1$,

$$W[\Phi^{(v)}](x) = W^{(v)}[\Phi](x) \quad \text{for all real } x.$$

Applying, in this case, the Bernstein type inequality and (19), we get

$$M_3 \leq (2\sigma)^v \|W[\Phi] - S[W[\Phi]]\| = (2\sigma)^v A_\sigma(W[\Phi]).$$

But

$$A_\sigma(W[\Phi]) \leq \|W[\Phi] - S[\Phi]\| = \|W[\Phi - S[\Phi]]\| \leq c_5 A_\sigma(\Phi),$$

by (17)–(19). Consequently,

$$M_3 \leq c_5 (2\sigma)^v A_\sigma(\Phi).$$

Therefore, if $0 \leq v \leq n - 1$, the estimate (15) yields

$$M_1 \leq (1 + c_5) A_\sigma(\Phi^{(v)}) \leq (1 + c_5) c_3^{n-1-v} \sigma^{v-n+1} A_\sigma(\Phi^{(n-1)}),$$

$$M_2 \leq \sigma^v (2c_5 + 3) A_\sigma^+(\Phi) \leq 3(1 + c_5) c_3^{n-1} \sigma^{v-n+1} A_\sigma(\Phi^{(n-1)}),$$

$$M_3 \leq (2\sigma)^v c_5 c_3^{n-1} \sigma^{1-n} A_\sigma(\Phi^{(n-1)}) = 2^v c_5 c_3^{n-1} \sigma^{v-n+1} A_\sigma(\Phi^{(n-1)}).$$

Since (see Theorem 1) $A_\sigma(\Phi^{(n-1)}) = A_\sigma(\Phi_1) \leq c_1 \sigma^{-1/p}$ and

$$\|P^{(n)} - \Phi^{(n)}\| \leq (c_1 + c_2) \sigma^{1-1/p} + \sigma \|P^{(n-1)} - \Phi^{(n-1)}\|,$$

the first parts of the assertions (i) and (ii), with $P_{\sigma,n} = P$, are established. The second parts can be obtained parallelly.

3. General theorems

Let us start with the following

LEMMA. Let $\psi \in AC_{loc} \cap L$ and let $\psi' \in L^p$ for some finite or infinite $p \geq 1$. Then, for the operator W defined by (16),

$$W'[\psi](x) = W[\psi'](x) \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

Proof. The Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem ensures that

$$\pi W'[\psi](x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(t) K'_\sigma(x-t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(x-u) K'_\sigma(u) du \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

Since

$$|\psi(u) - \psi(0)| = \left| \int_0^u \psi'(t) dt \right| \leq \|\psi'\|_p |u|^{1/q} \quad (p+q = pq),$$

we have

$$\psi(u) = O(u) \quad \text{as } u \rightarrow \pm\infty.$$

Therefore, by partial integration,

$$\pi W'[\psi](x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(x-u) K'_\sigma(u) du = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K_\sigma(u) \psi'(x-u) du = \pi W[\psi'](x).$$

PROPOSITION. Let ψ be as in the Lemma. Suppose that, for some entire function G of class E_σ ($\sigma > 0$), the estimate

$$\|G - \psi\|_p \leq c_6 \sigma^{-1} A_\sigma(\psi')_p \quad (1 \leq p \leq \infty)$$

holds. Then

$$\|G' - \psi'\|_p \leq c_7 A_\sigma(\psi')_p.$$

Proof. Consider functions $g \in L^p_{loc}$ and the operator W defined by (16). Denote by $S[g]$ the entire function of class E_σ , such that

$$(21) \quad \|g - S[g]\|_p \leq 2A_\sigma(g)_p.$$

Writing $\| \cdot \|$ instead of $\| \cdot \|_p$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi' - G'\| &\leq \|\psi' - W[\psi']\| + \|S'[W[\psi]] - G'\| + \|W[\psi'] - S'[W[\psi]]\| \\ &= N_1 + N_2 + N_3, \text{ say.} \end{aligned}$$

The identity (17), together with estimates (21) and (18), gives

$$N_1 \leq \|\psi' - S[\psi']\| + \|W[S[\psi'] - \psi']\| \leq 2(1 + c_5) A_\sigma(\psi')_p.$$

By the Bernstein inequality and our Lemma (see also (21) and (18)),

$$\begin{aligned} N_2 &\leq \sigma \|S[W[\psi]] - G\| \\ &\leq \sigma \{ \|S[W[\psi]] - W[\psi]\| + \|W[\psi] - S[\psi]\| + \|S[\psi] - \psi\| + \|\psi - G\| \} \\ &\leq \sigma \{ 2A_\sigma(W[\psi])_p + (2c_5 + 2) A_\sigma(\psi)_p + c_6 \sigma^{-1} A_\sigma(\psi')_p \}, \end{aligned}$$

$$N_3 \leq 2\sigma \|W[\psi] - S[W[\psi]]\| \leq 4\sigma A_\sigma(W[\psi])_p.$$

Observing that $A_\sigma(W[\psi])_p \leq c_5 A_\sigma(\psi)_p$ (see the proof of Theorem 2) and applying the estimate like (15), we get at once the desired assertion.

Now, the main results will be presented.

THEOREM 3. *Let f be a real-valued function of class AC_{loc}^{r-1} ($r \in \mathbb{N}$) having (a.e.) the derivative $f^{(r)} \in L_{loc}^p$ ($1 \leq p < \infty$), and let $A_c(f^{(r)})_p < \infty$ for some positive number c . Then, for every finite $\sigma \geq c$, there exist entire functions T_σ, U_σ such that*

$$(i) \quad T_\sigma \in H_{\sigma,p}^+(f), \quad U_\sigma \in H_{\sigma,p}^-(f)$$

and, for $v = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$,

$$(ii) \quad \|T_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}\|_p \leq \frac{c_8(r, v)}{\sigma^{r-v}} A_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p, \quad \|f^{(v)} - U_\sigma^{(v)}\|_p \leq \frac{c_8(r, v)}{\sigma^{r-v}} A_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p.$$

If, in addition, $f^{(r-1)} \in L$ and $f^{(r)} \in L^p$, then

$$(iii) \quad \|T_\sigma^{(r)} - f^{(r)}\|_p \leq c_9(r) A_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p, \quad \|f^{(r)} - U_\sigma^{(r)}\|_p \leq c_9(r) A_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p.$$

Proof. Let g_σ be a function of class E_σ , real-valued on \mathbb{R} , satisfying the inequality

$$\|f^{(r)} - g_\sigma^{(r)}\|_p \leq 2A_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p.$$

Retain the symbols $\Phi_n, P_{\sigma,n}, Q_{\sigma,n}$ used in Theorem 2 with $p = 1$.

By the well-known theorem ([1], Sects. 101–102, [3], pp. 113–116), for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$f(x) - g_\sigma(x) = A_c(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{f^{(r)}(t) - g_\sigma^{(r)}(t)\} \Phi_r(x-t) dt \quad (\sigma \geq c),$$

where A_c denotes some entire function of class E_c . From this identity it follows that

$$f^{(v)}(x) - g_\sigma^{(v)}(x) = A_c^{(v)}(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{f^{(r)}(t) - g_\sigma^{(r)}(t)\} \Phi_r^{(v)}(x-t) dt$$

for $v = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$ and all real x . Therefore, putting

$$h_r^+(t) = \frac{1}{2} \{|f^{(r)}(t) - g_\sigma^{(r)}(t)| + f^{(r)}(t) - g_\sigma^{(r)}(t)\},$$

$$h_r^-(t) = \frac{1}{2} \{|f^{(r)}(t) - g_\sigma^{(r)}(t)| - f^{(r)}(t) + g_\sigma^{(r)}(t)\},$$

we can write

$$f^{(v)}(x) = g_\sigma^{(v)}(x) + A_c^{(v)}(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^+(t) \Phi_r^{(v)}(x-t) dt - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^-(t) \Phi_r^{(v)}(x-t) dt.$$

Introduce the function of a complex variable z :

$$T_\sigma(z) = g_\sigma(z) + A_c(z) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^+(t) P_{\sigma,r}(z-t) dt - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^-(t) Q_{\sigma,r}(z-t) dt.$$

It is easy to show (see [3], pp. 137, 308–309) that $T_\sigma \in E_\sigma$ and that, for $v \in \langle 0, r-1 \rangle$,

$$(22) \quad T_\sigma^{(v)}(x) - f^{(v)}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^+(t) \{P_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}(x-t) - \Phi_r^{(v)}(x-t)\} dt \\ + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^-(t) \{\Phi_r^{(v)}(x-t) - Q_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}(x-t)\} dt \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

In particular, by Theorem 2 (i),

$$T_\sigma(x) \geq f(x) \quad \text{for all real } x.$$

Applying to (22) the Minkowski inequalities and Theorem 2 (ii), we obtain

$$\|T_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}\|_p \leq \|h_r^+\|_p \|P_{\sigma,r}^{(v)} - \Phi_r^{(v)}\|_1 + \|h_r^-\|_p \|\Phi_r^{(v)} - Q_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}\|_1 \\ \leq \|f^{(r)} - g_\sigma^{(r)}\|_p \cdot 2c_4(r, v) \sigma^{v-r} \\ \leq 4c_4(r, v) \sigma^{v-r} A_\sigma(f^{(r)})_p,$$

whenever $v \leq r-1$. Thus, the first parts of (i) and (ii) are proved. The second parts can be deduced parallelly.

The assertion (iii) follows at once from (ii) and Proposition given above.

THEOREM 4. *Let f be a real-valued function measurable and bounded on each finite interval. Suppose that, for some finite $p \geq 1$ and $\delta > 0$, $\tau(\delta; f)_p < \infty$.*

Then, for every finite $\sigma > 0$, there are entire functions T_σ^* , U_σ^* such that

(i) $T_\sigma^* \in H_{\sigma,p}^+(f)$, $U_\sigma^* \in H_{\sigma,p}^-(f)$

and

(ii) $\|T_\sigma^* - f\|_p \leq c_{10} \tau(\sigma^{-1}; f)_p$, $\|f - U_\sigma^*\|_p \leq c_{10} \tau(\sigma^{-1}; f)_p$.

If, in addition, f is of bounded p -th power variation on R , then

(iii) $\|T_\sigma^* - f\|_p \leq c_{11} \sigma^{-1/p} V_p(f)$, $\|f - U_\sigma^*\|_p \leq c_{11} \sigma^{-1/p} V_p(f)$

and

(iv) $V_p(T_\sigma^* - f) \leq c_{12} V_p(f)$, $V_p(f - U_\sigma^*) \leq c_{12} V_p(f)$.

The proof of (i) and (ii) is given in Section 3 of [5]. The assertions (iii) and (iv) can be stated similarly to their trigonometric analogues (3.2), (3.3) in Theorem 3 of [7].

Remark 3. In the case of real-valued $f \in AC_{loc}^{r-1}$ ($r \in N$) such that $f^{(v)} \in L^p_{loc} \cap BV_p$ ($1 \leq p < \infty$), the entire functions T_σ , U_σ ($\sigma > 0$) determined in Theorem 3 satisfy the inequalities

$$\|T_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}\|_p + \|f^{(v)} - U_\sigma^{(v)}\|_p \leq 2c_8(r, v) c_{11} \sigma^{v-r-1/p} V_p(f^{(v)})$$

($v = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$).

This is an immediate consequence of the last two theorems.

THEOREM 5. Suppose that f is a real-valued function of class AC_{loc}^{r-1} ($r \in N$), with $f^{(v)} \in L^p \cap BV_p$ for some finite $p \geq 1$. Then, for every finite $\sigma > 0$, there exist entire functions \tilde{T}_σ , \tilde{U}_σ such that

(i) $\tilde{T}_\sigma \in H_{\sigma,p}^+(f)$, $\tilde{U}_\sigma \in H_{\sigma,p}^-(f)$

and, for $v = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$,

(ii) $\|\tilde{T}_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}\|_p + \|f^{(v)} - \tilde{U}_\sigma^{(v)}\|_p \leq c_{13}(r, v) \sigma^{v-r-1/p} V_p(f^{(v)})$,

(iii) $V_p(\tilde{T}_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}) + V_p(f^{(v)} - \tilde{U}_\sigma^{(v)}) \leq c_{14}(r, v) \sigma^{v-r} V_p(f^{(v)})$.

Proof. In view of Theorem 4, there is an entire function $T_{\sigma,r}^* \in B_{\sigma,p}$ ($\sigma > 0$), real-valued on R , satisfying the inequalities

(23) $\|T_{\sigma,r}^* - f^{(r)}\|_p \leq c_{11} \sigma^{-1/p} V_p(f^{(r)})$, $V_p(T_{\sigma,r}^* - f^{(r)}) \leq c_{12} V_p(f^{(r)})$.

Suppose further that $\sigma \geq c > 0$. Retain the symbols Φ_r , $P_{\sigma,r}$, $Q_{\sigma,r}$ used in the proof of Theorem 3 and start with the identities

$$f(x) = F_c(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^{(r)}(t) \Phi_r(x-t) dt$$

$$= F_c(x) + J_\sigma(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)\} \Phi_r(x-t) dt \quad (x \in R),$$

where F_c means some entire function of class E_c , and

$$J_\sigma(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_r(u) T_{\sigma,r}^*(z-u) du \quad (z = x + iy, x, y \in \mathbb{R}).$$

It is easily seen that $J_\sigma \in B_{\sigma,p}$.

Introduce the auxiliary function

$$g(x) = f(x) - F_c(x) - J_\sigma(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)\} \Phi_r(x-t) dt;$$

write

$$\begin{aligned} h_r^+(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \{|f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)| + f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)\}, \\ h_r^-(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \{|f^{(r)}(t) - T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)| - f^{(r)}(t) + T_{\sigma,r}^*(t)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^+(t) \Phi_r(x-t) dt - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^-(t) \Phi_r(x-t) dt \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}).$$

Putting

$$Y_\sigma(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^+(t) P_{\sigma,r}(z-t) dt - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^-(t) Q_{\sigma,r}(z-t) dt \quad (z = x + iy),$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (24) \quad Y_\sigma(x) - g(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^+(t) \{P_{\sigma,r}(x-t) - \Phi_r(x-t)\} dt \\ &\quad + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^-(t) \{\Phi_r(x-t) - Q_{\sigma,r}(x-t)\} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Evidently, $Y_\sigma \in B_{\sigma,p}$ and $Y_\sigma(x) \geq g(x)$ for all real x . Moreover, by Theorem 2,

$$\begin{aligned} \|Y_\sigma - g\|_p &\leq \|h_r^+\|_p \|P_{\sigma,r} - \Phi_r\|_1 + \|h_r^-\|_p \|\Phi_r - Q_{\sigma,r}\|_1 \\ &\leq 2c_4(r, 0) \sigma^{-r} \|f^{(r)} - T_{\sigma,r}^*\|_p, \end{aligned}$$

i.e. (see (23)),

$$(25) \quad \|Y_\sigma - g\|_p \leq 2c_4(r, 0) c_{11} \sigma^{-r-1/p} V_p(f^{(r)}).$$

Taking the entire function \tilde{T}_σ defined by

$$\tilde{T}_\sigma(z) = F_c(z) + J_\sigma(z) + Y_\sigma(z),$$

we observe that

$$\tilde{T}_\sigma(x) - f(x) = Y_\sigma(x) - g(x).$$

Therefore $\tilde{T}_\sigma \in H_{\sigma,p}^+(f)$ and, in view of (25),

$$(26) \quad \|\tilde{T}_\sigma - f\|_p \leq 2c_4(r, 0) c_{11} \sigma^{-r-1/p} V_p(f^{(r)}).$$

Further, by Minkowski's inequalities and Theorem 2 (ii),

$$\begin{aligned} V_p(\tilde{T}_\sigma - f) &= V_p(Y_\sigma - g) \\ &\leq V_p(h_r^+) \|P_{\sigma,r} - \Phi_r\|_1 + V_p(h_r^-) \|\Phi_r - Q_{\sigma,r}\|_1 \\ &\leq V_p(f^{(r)} - T_{\sigma,r}^*) 2c_4(r, 0) \sigma^{-r}; \end{aligned}$$

whence, in view of (23),

$$(27) \quad V_p(\tilde{T}_\sigma - f) \leq 2c_4(r, 0) c_{12} \sigma^{-r} V_p(f^{(r)}).$$

Analogously, we can construct the entire function $\tilde{U}_\sigma \in H_{\sigma,p}^-(f)$ having the same approximation properties as \tilde{T}_σ , determined by (26) and (27). Thus, for $v = 0$, the desired estimates of (ii) and (iii) are proved.

From the identity (24) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} Y_\sigma^{(v)}(x) - g^{(v)}(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^+(t) \{P_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}(x-t) - \Phi_r^{(v)}(x-t)\} dt \\ &\quad + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_r^-(t) \{\Phi_r^{(v)}(x-t) - Q_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}(x-t)\} dt \quad (1 \leq v \leq r-1) \end{aligned}$$

for all real x . Hence, by Minkowski's inequalities and Theorem 2,

$$\begin{aligned} \|Y_\sigma^{(v)} - g^{(v)}\|_p &\leq \|h_r^+\|_p \|P_{\sigma,r}^{(v)} - \Phi_r^{(v)}\|_1 + \|h_r^-\|_p \|\Phi_r^{(v)} - Q_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}\|_1 \\ &\leq 2c_4(r, v) \sigma^{v-r} \|f^{(r)} - T_{\sigma,r}^*\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently (see (23)),

$$(28) \quad \|\tilde{T}_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}\|_p = \|Y_\sigma^{(v)} - g^{(v)}\|_p \leq 2c_4(r, v) c_{11} \sigma^{v-r-1/p} V_p(f^{(r)}).$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} V_p(Y_\sigma^{(v)} - g^{(v)}) &\leq V_p(h_r^+) \|P_{\sigma,r}^{(v)} - \Phi_r^{(v)}\|_1 + V_p(h_r^-) \|\Phi_r^{(v)} - Q_{\sigma,r}^{(v)}\|_1 \\ &\leq 2c_4(r, v) \sigma^{v-r} V_p(f^{(r)} - T_{\sigma,r}^*), \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$(29) \quad V_p(\tilde{T}_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}) = V_p(Y_\sigma^{(v)} - g^{(v)}) \leq 2c_4(r, v) c_{12} \sigma^{v-r} V_p(f^{(r)}).$$

Obviously, the estimate (28) [resp. (29)] in which $\|\tilde{T}_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}\|_p$ [$V_p(\tilde{T}_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)})$] is replaced by $\|\tilde{U}_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)}\|_p$ [$V_p(\tilde{U}_\sigma^{(v)} - f^{(v)})$] remains valid. Thus, in the case $1 \leq v \leq r-1$, the assertions (ii) and (iii) are established.

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