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## The criterion of the best approximant for the multivariable functions in the space

$L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$

Досліджено питання характеризації елемента найкращого наближення для функцій багатьох змінних у просторі зі змішаною інтегральною метрикою. Одержано критерій елемента найкращого наближення у просторі  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$ .

*Ключові слова:* змішана інтегральна метрика, елемент найкращого наближення.

Исследованы вопросы характеристики элемента наилучшего приближения для функций многих переменных в пространстве со смешанной интегральной метрикой. Получен критерий элемента наилучшего приближения в пространстве  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$ .

*Ключевые слова:* смешанная интегральная метрика, элемент наилучшего приближения.

The questions of the characterization of the best approximant for the multivariable functions in the space with mixed integral metric were considered in this article. The criterion of the best approximant in space  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$  is obtained.

*Key words:* mixed integral metric, the best approximant.

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Let  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_n}$  ( $1 \leq p_i < \infty, 1 \leq i \leq n$ ) be the space of all real-valued summable on  $K = I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_n$ , ( $I_i = [a_i, b_i], 1 \leq i \leq n$ ) functions  $f : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\|f\|_{p_1, \dots, p_n} = \left[ \int_{I_n} \dots \left[ \int_{I_2} \left[ \int_{I_1} |f(x)|^{p_1} dx_1 \right]^{\frac{p_2}{p_1}} dx_2 \right]^{\frac{p_3}{p_2}} \dots dx_n \right]^{\frac{1}{p_n}}.$$

We set

$$|f|_{p_k, \dots, p_i} = \left[ \int_{I_i} \dots \left[ \int_{I_{k+1}} \left[ \int_{I_k} |f(x)|^{p_k} dx_k \right]^{\frac{p_{k+1}}{p_k}} dx_{k+1} \right]^{\frac{p_{k+2}}{p_{k+1}}} \dots dx_i \right]^{\frac{1}{p_i}},$$

where  $1 \leq k < i \leq n$ .

Consider also the classes  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_n}$  (where at least one  $p_i = \infty$ ) of functions  $f$ , respectively with norms

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}, \infty} &= \text{ess sup}_{x_n \in I_n} |f|_{p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}} < \infty, \\ \|f\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, \infty, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n} &= \\ &= \left[ \int_{I_n} \dots \left[ \int_{I_{i+1}} \left( \text{ess sup}_{x_i \in I_i} |f|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} \right)^{p_{i+1}} dx_{i+1} \right]^{\frac{p_{i+2}}{p_{i+1}}} \dots dx_n \right]^{\frac{1}{p_n}} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

where  $1 \leq i < n$ .

For a system of linearly independent functions  $\{\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m\} \subset L_{p_1, \dots, p_n}$  we denote  $H_m = \text{span}\{\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m\}$ . Then the elements of the set  $H_m$  (polynomials  $P_m$ ) are representable in the form

$$P_m = \sum_{k=1}^m \lambda_k \varphi_k.$$

For  $f \in L_{p_1, \dots, p_n}$  the quantity

$$E_m(f)_{p_1, \dots, p_n} = \inf_{P_m \in H_m} \|f - P_m\|_{p_1, \dots, p_n} \quad (1)$$

is called the best approximation of  $f$  in the space  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_n}$  by the set  $H_m$ . Any polynomial  $P_m^*$  which realizes the "inf" on the right-hand side of (1) is said to be a best approximant to  $f$  by  $H_m$ .

In 1973 G.S. Smirnov [2] proved the criterion of the best approximant in the spaces with mixed integral metric for the functions of two variables. V.M. Traktynska [4] extended this result to the multivariable functions. If at least one  $p_i = 1$ , these criterions are true under the condition  $f - P_m^* \neq 0$  almost every where on  $K$ . This restriction is removed by G.S. Smirnov [3] for the functions of two variables in the spaces  $L_{p,1}(I_1 \times I_2)$  i  $L_{1,q}(I_1 \times I_2)$ . O.D. Kostyuk, V.M. Traktynska and M.Ye. Tkachenko [1] extended this result to the multivariable functions in the spaces  $L_{1,p_2, \dots, p_n}$  and  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}, 1}$ .

The purpose of this article is getting the criterion in the space  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$ .

Let  $f \in L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$  with  $\|f\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n} > 0$  and  $g \in L_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}, \infty, q_{i+1}, \dots, q_n}$  with  $\|g\|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}, \infty, q_{i+1}, \dots, q_n} \leq 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{p_j} + \frac{1}{q_j} = 1$ ,  $1 < p_j < \infty$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, i-1, i+1, \dots, n$  be given.

Note that

$$\|f\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n} = \left[ \int_{I_n} \dots \left[ \int_{I_{i+1}} \left[ \int_{I_i} |f(x)|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right]^{p_{i+1}} dx_{i+1} \right]^{\frac{p_{i+2}}{p_{i+1}}} \dots dx_n \right]^{\frac{1}{p_n}}.$$

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Applying Gélder's inequality and Fubini's Theorem, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_K f(x)g(x)dx_1 \dots dx_n &\leq \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_1} |f||g|dx_1 \dots dx_n \leq \\
&\leq \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_i} \left[ \int_{I_{i-1}} \dots \left[ \int_{I_2} \left[ \int_{I_1} |f|^{p_1} dx_1 \right]^{\frac{p_2}{p_1}} dx_2 \right]^{\frac{p_3}{p_2}} \dots dx_{i-1} \right]^{\frac{1}{p_{i-1}}} \times \\
&\quad \times \left[ \int_{I_{i-1}} \dots \left[ \int_{I_2} \left[ \int_{I_1} |g|^{q_1} dx_1 \right]^{\frac{q_2}{q_1}} dx_2 \right]^{\frac{q_3}{q_2}} \dots dx_{i-1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q_{i-1}}} dx_i \dots dx_n = \\
&= \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_i} (|f|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} |g|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}}) dx_i \dots dx_n \leq \\
&\leq \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \left( \left( \int_{I_i} |f|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right) \times \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x_i \in I_i} |g|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} \right) dx_{i+1} \dots dx_n \leq \\
&\leq \left( \int_{I_n} \dots \left( \int_{I_{i+1}} \left( \int_{I_i} |f|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right)^{p_{i+1}} dx_{i+1} \right)^{\frac{p_{i+2}}{p_{i+1}}} \dots dx_n \right)^{\frac{1}{p_n}} \times \\
&\quad \times \left( \int_{I_n} \dots \left( \int_{I_{i+1}} \left( \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x_i \in I_i} |g|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} \right)^{q_{i+1}} dx_{i+1} \right)^{\frac{q_{i+2}}{q_{i+1}}} \dots dx_n \right)^{\frac{1}{q_n}} = \\
&= \|f\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n} \cdot \|g\|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}, \infty, q_{i+1}, \dots, q_n} \leq \|f\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n},
\end{aligned}$$

or in other words

$$\int_K f(x) \cdot g(x) dx_1 \dots dx_n \leq \|f\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}. \tag{2}$$

It is easy to verify that the inequality (2) becomes equality for the functions of form

$$g_0 = \|f\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}^{1-p_n} |f|_{p_1}^{p_2-p_1} |f|_{p_1, p_2}^{p_3-p_2} \dots |f|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1}^{p_{i+1}-1} \dots |f|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}^{p_n-p_{n-1}} \operatorname{sgn} f$$

All other functions that give the equality in (2), coincide with  $g_0$  almost everywhere on  $I_1 \times \dots \times (I_i \setminus E(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)) \times \dots \times I_n$ , where  $E(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) = \{x_i \in I_i : |f|_{p_i, \dots, p_{i-1}} = 0\}$ , where in  $\operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x_i \in I_i} |g(x)|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} = \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x_i \in I_i} |g_0(x)|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}}$  almost everywhere on  $I_{i+1} \times \dots \times I_n$ .

The following theorem is formulated by V.M. Traktynska [4].

**Theorem 1.** For any function  $f \in L_{p_1, \dots, p_n}$  ( $1 \leq p_i < \infty$ ) the best approximation in the norm  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_n}$

$$E_m(f)_{p_1, \dots, p_n} = \sup \int_K f(x)g(x)dx_1 \dots dx_n,$$

where  $\sup$  applies to the functions  $g \in L_{q_1, \dots, q_n}$  such as  $\|g\|_{q_1, \dots, q_n} \leq 1$ , and  $\int_K P_m(x) \cdot g(x)dx_1 \dots dx_n = 0$  for any above-defined polynomials  $P_m$  and  $\sup$  is realized by some functions  $\varphi \in L_{q_1, \dots, q_n}$  with the norm  $\|\varphi\|_{q_1, \dots, q_n} = 1$ .

We set

$$P_m = \sum_{k=1}^m c_k \varphi_k, \quad (3)$$

where  $\{\varphi_k\}_{k=1}^m$  is the system of linearly independent functions from  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$  ( $1 < p_j < \infty$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, i-1, i+1, \dots, n$ ), and  $c_k$  are real numbers.

Assume that the function  $f \in L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$  such as  $\|f - P_m\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n} > 0$  holds true for each  $P_m$ .

Introduce the functions:

$$\begin{aligned} F_0 &= |f - P_m^*|_1^{p_1-1} |f - P_m^*|_{p_1}^{p_2-p_1} |f - P_m^*|_{p_1, p_2}^{p_3-p_2} \cdots |f - P_m^*|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}}^{1-p_{i-1}} |f - P_m^*|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}}^{p_{i+1}-1} \cdots \\ &\quad \cdot |f - P_m^*|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_{n-1}}^{p_n-p_{n-1}} \operatorname{sgn}(f - P_m^*), \\ F_0^* &= \frac{F_0}{\|f - P_m^*\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}^{p_n-1}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $P_m^*$  is some polynomial of form (3).

It is easy to see that  $F_0^*$  has the form of the function that give the equality in (2):  $F_0^* \in L_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}, \infty, q_{i+1}, \dots, q_n}$ ,  $\|F_0^*\|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}, \infty, q_{i+1}, \dots, q_n} = 1$  and

$$\int_K (f - P_m^*) F_0^* dx_1, \dots, dx_n = \|f - P_m^*\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}.$$

For any  $(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) \in I_{i+1} \times \dots \times I_n$ , define

$$e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) = \{x_i \in I_i : |f - P_m^*|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} = 0\}.$$

**Theorem 2.** For the polynomial  $P_m^*$  to be the best approximant for the function  $f$  in  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$  ( $1 < p_j < \infty$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, i-1, i+1, \dots, n$ ), it is necessary and sufficient to have

$$\left| \int_K P_m \cdot F_0^* dx_1 \dots dx_n \right| \leq \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \left[ \int_{e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)} |P_m|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right].$$

$$\cdot \left[ \operatorname{ess} \sup_{x_i \in I_i} |F_0^*|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} \right] dx_{i+1} \dots dx_n \quad (4)$$

for any  $P_m$  by form (3).

**Proof.** At first prove the necessity. Let  $P_m^*$  be the best approximant for the function  $f$  in  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$ . According to Theorem 1, there exists a function  $F_1 \in L_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}, \infty, q_{i+1}, \dots, q_n}$  such as:

- 1)  $\|F_1\|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}, \infty, q_{i+1}, \dots, q_n} = 1$ ;
- 2)  $\int_K P_m \cdot F_1 dx_1 \dots dx_n = 0$  for any  $P_m$  by form (3);
- 3)  $\int_K f \cdot F_1 dx_1 \dots dx_n = \int_K (f - P_m^*) F_1 dx_1 \dots dx_n = \|f - P_m^*\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$ .

The latter equality holds true iff  $F_1$  satisfies the condition of equality in the inequality (2). Thus  $F_0^*(x) = F_1(x)$  for any points  $x$  such as  $x_i \notin e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)$  and  $\operatorname{ess} \sup_{x_i \in I_i} |F_0^*|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} = \operatorname{ess} \sup_{x_i \in I_i} |F_1|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}}$  almost every where on  $I_{i+1} \times \dots \times I_n$ .

For any polynomial  $P_m$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_K P_m \cdot F_0^* dx_1 \dots dx_n \right| &= \left| \int_K P_m \cdot (F_0^* - F_1) dx_1 \dots dx_n \right| \leq \int_K |P_m| \cdot |F_0^* - F_1| dx_1 \dots dx_n = \\ &= \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \int_{e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)} |P_m|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} \cdot |F_0^* - F_1|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} dx_1 \dots dx_n = \\ &= \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \int_{e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)} |P_m|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} \cdot |F_1|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} dx_1 \dots dx_n \leq \\ &\leq \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \left[ \left( \int_{e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)} |P_m|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right) \cdot \left( \operatorname{ess} \sup_{x_i \in I_i} |F_0^*|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} \right) \right] dx_{i+1} \dots dx_n, \end{aligned}$$

which was to be shown.

Prove the sufficiency. Suppose the condition (4) holds true for any polynomial  $P_m$  by form (3).

Therefore, for any polynomial  $Q_m = P_m^* + P_m$  using (4) in the end, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\|f - Q_m\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n} = \\ &= \|f - P_m^* - P_m\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n} \cdot \|F_0^*\|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}, \infty, q_{i+1}, \dots, q_n} \geq \\ &\geq \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \left( \int_{I_i} |f - P_m^* - P_m|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right) \left( \operatorname{ess} \sup_{x_i \in I_i} |F_0^*|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} \right) dx_{i+1} \dots dx_n = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \left( \int_{I_i \setminus e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)} |f - P_m^* - P_m|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right) \times \\
&\quad \times \left( \operatorname{ess} \sup_{x_i \in I_i} |F_0^*|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} \right) dx_{i+1} \dots dx_n + \\
&+ \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \left( \int_{e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)} |P_m|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right) \cdot \left( \operatorname{ess} \sup_{x_i \in I_i} |F_0^*|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} \right) dx_{i+1} \dots dx_n \geq \\
&\geq \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \int_{I_i \setminus e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)} \int_{I_{i-1}} \dots \int_{I_1} (f - P_m^* - P_m) \cdot F_0^* dx_1 \dots dx_n + \\
&+ \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \left( \int_{e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)} |P_m|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right) \cdot \left( \operatorname{ess} \sup_{x_i \in I_i} |F_0^*|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} \right) dx_{i+1} \dots dx_n = \\
&= \int_K (f - P_m^*) F_0^* dx_1 \dots dx_n - \int_K P_m F_0^* dx_1 \dots dx_n + \\
&+ \int_{I_n} \dots \int_{I_{i+1}} \left( \int_{e(x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)} |P_m|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}} dx_i \right) \cdot \left( \operatorname{ess} \sup_{x_i \in I_i} |F_0^*|_{q_1, \dots, q_{i-1}} \right) dx_{i+1} \dots dx_n \geq \\
&\geq \int_K (f - P_m^*) F_0^* dx_1 \dots dx_n = \|f - P_m^*\|_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}.
\end{aligned}$$

It means that  $P_m^*$  is the best approximant for  $f$  in  $L_{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, 1, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_n}$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 2.

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