

# ONE-SIDED APPROXIMATION BY TRIGONOMETRIC POLYNOMIALS IN $L_p$ -NORM, $0 < p < 1$

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Let  $T_n$  be the space of trigonometric polynomials of degree at most  $n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . We consider  $2\pi$ -periodic functions.

DEFINITION 1. The *best one-sided approximation* of a fixed function  $f \in L_p(0, 2\pi)$  in  $L_p(0, 2\pi)$  norm by  $T_n$  is given by

$$(1) \quad \tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p = \inf \left\{ \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |t_1(x) - t_2(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}; t_1(x) \geq f(x) \geq t_2(x); t_1, t_2 \in T_n \right\}.$$

DEFINITION 2. Let  $f$  be a  $2\pi$ -periodic bounded measurable function. The  $p$ -th mean modulus of smoothness of order  $k$  ( $k$  a positive integer) with parameter  $\delta > 0$  for  $f$  is the expression

$$(2) \quad \tau_k(f, \delta)_p = \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |\omega_k(f, x, \delta)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}$$

where

$$(3) \quad \omega_k(f, x, \delta) = \sup (| \Delta_h^k f(t) |; t, t + kh \in [x - k\delta/2, x + k\delta/2]).$$

For the properties of this modulus in the case  $p \geq 1$  see [6]. For this modulus the following results connected with  $\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p$  have been obtained in the case  $p \geq 1$ :

- (a) Jackson type direct theorem — see [7],
- (b) Stechkin type direct theorem — see [4],
- (c) Salem–Stechkin type inverse theorem — see [5].

The purpose of this paper is to obtain direct and inverse theorems for  $\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p$  in the case  $0 < p < 1$ , using the modulus  $\tau_k(f, \delta)_p$ .

First we prove a lemma concerning the one-sided approximation of the

$2\pi$ -periodic function

$$B(x) = (\pi - x)/2, \quad x \in [0, 2\pi].$$

$B$  appears in the integral representation of a given function together with its derivatives. In this paper  $c(p)$ ,  $c_1(p)$ ,  $c_1(k, p)$ ,  $c'(k, p)$ , ... are constants depending on  $p$  and  $k$ .

LEMMA 1. *The following estimate holds:*

$$\tilde{E}_n^T(B)_p \leq c(p) \tau_2(B, n^{-1})_p = c_1(p) n^{-1/p}.$$

*Proof.* We consider the function

$$(4) \quad \bar{B}(x) = (\pi - x)/2, \quad x \in [0, 2\pi]$$

and the following interpolation problems:

(a) Find a trigonometric polynomial  $t_1$  with the following interpolation conditions ( $x_k = 2k\pi/n$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} t_1(x_0) &= \bar{B}(x_0), \\ t_1(x_1) &= \bar{B}(x_1), t'_1(x_1) = \bar{B}'(x_1), \dots, t_1^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_1) = \bar{B}^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_1), \\ &\dots \dots \dots \\ t_1(x_{n-2}) &= \bar{B}(x_{n-2}), t'_1(x_{n-2}) = \bar{B}'(x_{n-2}), \dots, t_1^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_{n-2}) \\ &= \bar{B}^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_{n-2}), \\ t_1(x_{n-1}) &= \bar{B}(x_{n-1}), t'_1(x_{n-1}) = \bar{B}'(x_{n-1}), \dots, t_1^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_{n-1}) \\ &= \bar{B}^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_{n-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Here we have  $2\{1/p\}(n-1)+1$  conditions and  $t_1$  is of degree  $\{1/p\}(n-1)$  where  $\{1/p\} = \min(z \text{ an integer}, z \geq 1/p)$ .

(b) Find a trigonometric polynomial  $t_2$  with the following interpolation conditions ( $x_k = 2k\pi/n$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} t_2(x_1) &= \bar{B}(x_1), t'_2(x_1) = \bar{B}'(x_1), \dots, t_2^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_1) = \bar{B}^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_1), \\ t_2(x_2) &= \bar{B}(x_2), t'_2(x_2) = \bar{B}'(x_2), \dots, t_2^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_2) = \bar{B}^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_2), \\ &\dots \dots \dots \\ t_2(x_{n-1}) &= \bar{B}(x_{n-1}), t'_2(x_{n-1}) = \bar{B}'(x_{n-1}), \dots, t_2^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_{n-1}) \\ &= \bar{B}^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_{n-1}), \\ t_2(x_n) &= \bar{B}(x_n). \end{aligned}$$

Analogously with  $2\{1/p\}(n-1)+1$  conditions  $t_2$  is of degree  $\{1/p\}(n-1)$ .

If we assume that  $t_1$  crosses the graph of  $B$  then  $t_1 - B$  will have  $2\{1/p\}(n-1)+2$  zeros (counting multiplicities) in the interval  $[0, 2\pi]$ . Then

the trigonometric polynomial

$$(5) \quad [t_1(x) - B(x)]' = t_1'(x) - \frac{1}{2}$$

is of degree  $\{1/p\}(n-1)$  but has  $2\{1/p\}(n-1)+1$  zeros in the interval  $(0, 2\pi)$ . This is a contradiction. It follows that  $t_1(x) \geq B(x)$ .

Analogously,  $t_2(x) \leq B(x)$ .

Let now

$$(6) \quad T(x) = t_1(x) - t_2(x).$$

This trigonometric polynomial is uniquely determined by the following interpolation conditions ( $x_k = 2k\pi/n$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ ):

$$T(x_0) = \pi,$$

$$T(x_1) = 0, T'(x_1) = 0, \dots, T^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_1) = 0,$$

.....

$$T(x_{n-1}) = 0, T'(x_{n-1}) = 0, \dots, T^{(2\{1/p\}-1)}(x_{n-1}) = 0.$$

We can write it explicitly:

$$(7) \quad T(x) = \pi \left( \frac{\sin(nx/2)}{n \sin(x/2)} \right)^{2\{1/p\}}$$

On the other hand,

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} |T(x)|^p dx &= \pi^p \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \frac{\sin(nx/2)}{n \sin(x/2)} \right)^{2\{1/p\}p} dx \\ &= 2\pi^p \int_0^{\pi} \left( \frac{\sin(nx/2)}{n \sin(x/2)} \right)^{2\{1/p\}p} dx \\ &\leq 2\pi^p \left( \int_0^{\pi/n} dx + \int_{\pi/n}^{\pi} \frac{1}{(nx/\pi)^{2\{1/p\}p}} dx \right) \\ &\leq \frac{4\pi^{p+1}}{n} \end{aligned}$$

and this ends the proof.

**THEOREM 1.** Let  $f^{(k-1)}$  be absolutely continuous and  $f^{(k)}$  be bounded and measurable. Then the following estimate holds:

$$\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p \leq [c(p)]^k \frac{\tilde{E}_n^T(f^{(k)})_p}{n^k}.$$

(If  $f^{(k)}$  is unbounded then  $\tilde{E}_n^T(f^{(k)})_p = \infty$ .)

*Proof.* If  $k \geq 1$  then the following integral representation holds:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) dt + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} B(x-t) f'(t) dt.$$

Let  $Q_n(t) \geq f'(t) \geq q_n(t)$ ,  $Q_n \in T_n$ ,  $q_n \in T_n$ ,

$$\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p = \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |Q_n(t) - q_n(t)|^p dt \right)^{1/p}.$$

On the other hand,  $t_1(t) \geq B(t) \geq t_2(t)$ ,  $t_1 \in T_n$ ,  $t_2 \in T_n$ ,

$$\tilde{E}_n^T(B) \leq \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |t_1(t) - t_2(t)|^p dt \right)^{1/p} \leq c_1(p) n^{-1/p} \quad (\text{see Lemma 1}).$$

First we prove the estimate for  $k = 1$ ; then the estimate for all positive integers  $k$  follows easily.

The following inequality is true (see [3] for  $r_n \in T_n$ ,  $0 < p_2 \leq p_1 \leq \infty$ ):

$$(10) \quad \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |r_n(t)|^{p_1} dt \right)^{1/p_1} \leq c(p_1, p_2) n^{1/p_2 - 1/p_1} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |r_n(t)|^{p_2} dt \right)^{1/p_2}.$$

Let us define

$$P_n^-(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} B(x-t) q_n(t) dt,$$

$$t_n^-(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} t_2(x-t) [f'(t) - q_n(t)] dt + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) dt;$$

$$P_n^- \in T_n, \quad t_n^- \in T_n,$$

$$(11) \quad P_n^+(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} B(x-t) Q_n(t) dt,$$

$$t_n^+(x) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} t_2(x-t) [Q_n(t) - f'(t)] dt + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(t) dt;$$

$$P_n^+ \in T_n, \quad t_n^+ \in T_n.$$

Obviously  $P_n^- \in T_n$ ,  $t_n^- \in T_n$ ,  $P_n^+ \in T_n$  and  $t_n^+ \in T_n$ . We have (see [1])

$$f(x) - [P_n^-(x) + t_n^-(x)] = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} [B(x-t) - t_2(x-t)] [f'(t) - q_n(t)] dt \geq 0,$$

$$(12) \quad [P_n^+(x) + t_n^+(x)] - f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} [B(x-t) - t_2(x-t)] [Q_n(t) - f'(t)] dt \geq 0.$$

From (10) and (12) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (13) \quad \tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p &\leq \left( \int_0^{2\pi} [(P_n^+ + t_n^+)(t) - (P_n^- + t_n^-)(t)]^p dt \right)^{1/p} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \int_0^{2\pi} [B(x-t) - t_2(x-t)] [Q_n(t) - q_n(t)] dt \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \int_0^{2\pi} [t_1(x-t) - t_2(x-t)] [Q_n(t) - q_n(t)] dt \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\
 &\leq c_1(p) n^{1/p-1} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} [t_1(x-t) - t_2(x-t)] [Q_n(t) - q_n(t)]^p dt dx \right)^{1/p} \\
 &\leq c(p) \frac{n^{1/p-1}}{n^{1/p}} \tilde{E}_n^T(f')_p = \frac{c(p)}{n} \tilde{E}_n^T(f')_p.
 \end{aligned}$$

By induction,

$$(14) \quad \tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p \leq \frac{c(p)}{n} \tilde{E}_n^T(f')_p \leq \frac{[c(p)]^2}{n^2} \tilde{E}_n^T(f'')_p \leq \dots \leq \frac{[c(p)]^k}{n^k} \tilde{E}_n^T(f^{(k)})_p,$$

which ends the proof.

Let us formulate a lemma which is used in the proof of a Jackson type theorem.

LEMMA 2. *Let  $g$  be a piecewise linear function with points of breaking linearity  $2\pi k/n$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ . If  $g$  is absolutely continuous then*

$$\tilde{E}_n^T(g)_p \leq c(p) \tau_1(g, n^{-1})_p.$$

*Proof.* The proof is based on an integral representation for  $2\pi$ -periodic functions (see [1]) and on the inequality

$$(15) \quad (\sum x_l^{p_1})^{1/p_1} \leq (\sum x_l^{p_2})^{1/p_2}, \quad 0 < p_2 \leq p_1, \quad x_l \geq 0.$$

If  $g'(x) = c_k$ ,  $x \in (2\pi k/n, 2\pi(k+1)/n)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ , then

$$(16) \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} g(t) dt + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{c_k}{\pi} \int_{2\pi k/n}^{2\pi(k+1)/n} B(x-t) dt.$$

On the other hand, we construct the polynomials (for the definition of  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  see Lemma 1)

$$\begin{aligned}
(17) \quad T_g(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} g(t) dt \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{c_k}{2\pi} \int_{2k\pi/n}^{2(k+1)\pi/n} [(\operatorname{sign}(c_k) + 1)t_1(x-t) \\
&\quad - (\operatorname{sign}(c_k) - 1)t_2(x-t)] dt \\
&\geq g(x) \geq t_g(x) \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} g(t) dt \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{c_k}{2\pi} \int_{2k\pi/n}^{2(k+1)\pi/n} [(\operatorname{sign}(c_k) + 1)t_2(x-t) \\
&\quad - (\operatorname{sign}(c_k) - 1)t_1(x-t)] dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Using (15), (16), (17) one obtains

$$\begin{aligned}
(18) \quad \tilde{E}_n^T(g)_p &\leq \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |T_g(x) - t_g(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\
&= \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{|c_k|}{\pi} \int_{2k\pi/n}^{2(k+1)\pi/n} (t_1(x-t) - t_2(x-t)) dt \right|^p dx \\
&\leq \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{|c_k|^p}{\pi^p} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \int_{2k\pi/n}^{2(k+1)\pi/n} (t_1(x-t) - t_2(x-t)) dt \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p}
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using Taylor's expansion and Bernstein's inequality one gets

$$\begin{aligned}
(19) \quad &\int_{2k\pi/n}^{2(k+1)\pi/n} |t_1(x-t) - t_2(x-t)| dt \\
&= \int_0^{2\pi/n} \left| t_1\left(x-t-\frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) - t_2\left(x-t-\frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) \right| dt \\
&= \int_0^{2\pi/n} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (t_1 - t_2)^{(l)} \left(x - \frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) \frac{(-t)^l}{l!} dt \\
&\leq \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2\pi}{n}\right)^{l+1} \frac{1}{(l+1)!} \left| (t_1 - t_2)^{(l)} \left(x - \frac{2k\pi}{n}\right) \right|,
\end{aligned}$$

whence (see (15))

$$\begin{aligned}
 (20) \quad & \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \int_{2\pi k/n}^{2\pi(k+1)/n} (t_1(x-t) - t_2(x-t)) dt \right|^p dx \\
 & \leq \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2\pi}{n} \right)^{(l+1)p} \frac{1}{[(l+1)!]^p} \int_0^{2\pi} |(t_1 - t_2)^{(l)}(x)|^p dx \\
 & \leq \left( \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2\pi)^{(l+1)p}}{n^{(l+1)p}} n^{lp} \frac{1}{[(l+1)!]^p} \right) c_1(p) \int_0^{2\pi} |(t_1 - t_2)(x)|^p dx \\
 & = \frac{c'(p)}{n^p} \int_0^{2\pi} |(t_1 - t_2)(x)|^p dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, by (18), (20) and Lemma 1, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (21) \quad & \tilde{E}_n^T(g)_p \leq c''(p) \left( \int_0^{2\pi} (t_1(x) - t_2(x))^p dx \right)^{1/p} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} |c_k|^p \frac{1}{n^p} \right)^{1/p} \\
 & \leq c'''(p) \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} |c_k|^p \frac{1}{n^p} \frac{1}{n} \right)^{1/p} \leq c(p) \tau_1(g, n^{-1})_p
 \end{aligned}$$

(for Bernstein's inequality in the case  $0 < p < 1$ , see [2]), and this ends the proof.

Let us note that  $L_p$ ,  $0 < p < 1$ , is a metric space with the metric

$$\varrho(f, g) = \int_0^{2\pi} |f(x) - g(x)|^p dx.$$

Let us formulate a direct theorem of Jackson's type for  $\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p$ :

**THEOREM 2.** *If  $f \in L_p[0, 2\pi]$  then the following estimate holds:*

$$\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p \leq c(p) \tau_1(f, n^{-1})_p.$$

Proof is based on Lemma 2 and a method developed in [7]. One can construct functions  $g_n^+(x)$  and  $g_n^-(x)$  (analogously to [7]) such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (22) \quad & g_n^+(x) \geq f(x) \geq g_n^-(x), \\
 & |f(x) - g_n^+(x)| \leq \omega_1(f, x, 8\pi/n), \\
 & |f(x) - g_n^-(x)| \leq \omega_1(f, x, 8\pi/n), \\
 & \omega_1(g_n^+, x, 2\pi/n) \leq \omega_1(f, x, 12\pi/n), \\
 & \omega_1(g_n^-, x, 2\pi/n) \leq \omega_1(f, x, 12\pi/n),
 \end{aligned}$$

and  $g_n^+$ ,  $g_n^-$  are absolutely continuous piecewise linear functions with points of breaking linearity  $2k\pi/n$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$  (see [7]).

According to Lemma 2 we have trigonometric polynomials

$$T_{g_n^+}(x) \geq g_n^+(x) \geq f(x) \geq g_n^-(x) \geq t_{g_n^-}(x)$$

such that

$$\begin{aligned} (23) \quad \tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p^p &\leq \int_0^{2\pi} (T_{g_n^+}(x) - t_{g_n^-}(x))^p dx \\ &\leq \int_0^{2\pi} (T_{g_n^+}(x) - g_n^+(x))^p dx + \int_0^{2\pi} (g_n^+(x) - f(x))^p dx \\ &\quad + \int_0^{2\pi} (f(x) - g_n^-(x))^p dx + \int_0^{2\pi} (g_n^-(x) - t_{g_n^-}(x))^p dx \\ &\leq c_1(p) [\tau_1^p(g_n^+, n^{-1})_p + \tau_1^p(f, n^{-1})_p + \tau_1^p(g_n^-, n^{-1})_p] \\ &\leq c(p) \tau_1^p(f, n^{-1})_p, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the trivial inequality  $\tau_1(f, \lambda\delta)_p \leq c(\lambda, p) \tau_1(f, \delta)_p$  for  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $\delta > 0$ . This ends the proof.

We now prove the following theorem of Stechkin type:

**THEOREM 3.** *If  $f \in L_p[0, 2\pi]$ , then*

$$\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p \leq c(k, p) \tau_k(f, n^{-1})_p.$$

*Proof.* Consider the modified Steklov functions

$$(24) \quad f_{k,h}(x) = h^{-k} \int_0^h \dots \int_0^h [\Delta_{(t_1 + \dots + t_k)/k}^k f(x) + f(x)] dt_1 dt_2 \dots dt_k.$$

The following properties hold:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad &|f_{k,h}(x) - f(x)| \leq \omega_k(f, x, h), \\ (b) \quad &\tilde{E}_n^T(f_{k,h})_p \leq c(k, p) \frac{\tilde{E}_n^T(f_{k,h}^{(k)})_p}{n^k} \\ (25) \quad &\leq c_1(k, p) (hn)^{-k} \sum_{i=1}^k \tau_1(\Delta_{ih/k}^k f, n^{-1})_p \\ &\leq c_2(k, p) \tau_k(f, n^{-1})_p \text{ if } h = n^{-1}, \\ (c) \quad &[\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p]^p \leq [\tilde{E}_n^T(\omega_k(f, \bullet, h))_p]^p \\ &\quad + 2[\tilde{E}_n^T(f_{k,h})_p]^p + 2[\tau_k(f, h)_p]^p. \end{aligned}$$

(a) trivial.

(b) follows from Theorem 1 and the fact that



$$\begin{aligned}
(26) \quad \omega_1(\Delta_{ih/k}^k f, x, 1/n) &= \sup_{t_1, t_2 \in [x-1/2n, x+1/2n]} |\Delta_{ih/k}^k f(t_1) - \Delta_{ih/k}^k f(t_2)| \\
&\leq 2 \sup_{z, z+ky \in [x-1/2n-ih, x+1/2n+ih]} |\Delta_y^k f(z)| \\
&\leq 2\omega_k(f, x, 1/kn + 2ih/k).
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$(27) \quad \tau_k(f, lh)_p \leq c(k, l, p) \tau_k(f, h)_p, \quad l > 0, h > 0,$$

and the proof is analogous to that in the case  $p \geq 1$  (see [6]).

(c) follows as in the case  $p \geq 1$ , using the fact that  $L_p[0, 2\pi]$  is a metric space.

Substituting  $h = n^{-1}$ , we now obtain from (25)–(27)

$$\begin{aligned}
(28) \quad [\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p]^p &\leq c_1^p(k, p) [\tau_1(\omega_k(f, \bullet, 1/n), 1/n)_p]^p + [\tau_k(f, 1/n)_p]^p, \\
\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p &\leq c(k, p) [\tau_1(\omega_k(f, \bullet, 1/n), 1/n)_p + \tau_k(f, 1/n)_p].
\end{aligned}$$

But we have

$$(29) \quad \tau_1(\omega_k(f, \bullet, 1/n), 1/n)_p \leq c(k, p) \tau_k(f, 1/n)_p$$

as in the case  $p \geq 1$  (see [4]), and this ends the proof.

Now we shall consider the inverse theorem. It is based on Bernstein's inequality (see [2]) and the following lemma:

LEMMA 3. Let  $t_n$  be a trigonometric polynomial of degree  $n$  and suppose  $0 < n\delta \leq 1$ . Then the following estimate holds:

$$\tau_k(t_n, \delta)_p \leq c(p) \delta^k \|t_n^{(k)}\|_p.$$

*Proof.* We have

$$(30) \quad \Delta_h^k t_n(t) = \int_0^h \int_0^h \dots \int_0^h t_n^{(k)}(t + v_1 + \dots + v_k) dv_1 \dots dv_k,$$

whence

$$\begin{aligned}
(31) \quad \omega_k(t_n, x, \delta) &\leq \int_0^\delta \int_0^\delta \dots \int_0^\delta \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |t_n^{(k)}(x + v_1 + v_2 + \dots + v_k)| dv_1 dv_2 \dots dv_k \\
&\leq \int_0^\delta \dots \int_0^\delta \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} \sum_{l_1=0}^\infty \sum_{l_2=0}^\infty \dots \sum_{l_k=0}^\infty |t_n^{(k+l_1+\dots+l_k)}(x)| \\
&\quad \times \frac{v_1^{l_1} v_2^{l_2} \dots v_{k-1}^{l_{k-1}} |v_k|^{l_k}}{l_1! l_2! \dots l_{k-1}! l_k!} dv_1 \dots dv_k
\end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \sum_{l_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{l_k=0}^{\infty} |t_n^{(k+l_1+\dots+l_k)}(x)| \left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^{l_k+1} \\ \times \frac{\delta^{l_1+1} \delta^{l_2+1} \dots \delta^{l_k+1}}{(l_1+1)!(l_2+1)!\dots(l_k+1)!}.$$

Taking the  $L_p$  norm in (31) and (15) and using Bernstein's inequality (see [2]) in the case  $0 < p < 1$  we get

$$(32) \quad [\tau_k(t_n, \delta)_p]^p \leq \sum_{l_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{l_k=0}^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} |t_n^{(k+l_1+\dots+l_k)}(x)|^p dx \\ \times \left(\frac{k}{2}\right)^{(l_k+1)p} \frac{\delta^{(l_1+1)p} \delta^{(l_2+1)p} \dots \delta^{(l_k+1)p}}{[(l_1+1)!(l_2+1)!\dots(l_k+1)!]^p} \\ \leq c^p(k, p) \delta^{kp} \int_0^{2\pi} |t_n^{(k)}(x)|^p dx.$$

Using a method developed by V. Popov we obtain the following inverse theorem:

**THEOREM 4.** For  $f \in L_p[0, 2\pi]$  we have the following estimate:

$$\tau_k(f, n^{-1})_p \leq \frac{c(k, p)}{n^k} \left( \sum_{s=0}^n (s+1)^{kp-1} [\tilde{E}_s^T(f)_p]^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

*Proof.* Just as in the case  $p \geq 1$  we get for  $n = 2^{s_0}$  ( $\delta > 0$ )

$$(33) \quad \tau_k(f, \delta)_p^p \leq 4^p \delta^{kp} \sum_{i=1}^{s_0} 2^{ikp} [\tilde{E}_{2^{i-1}}^T(f)_p]^p \\ + [E_0^T(f)_p]^p + c(k, p) [(\delta n)^p + 1] [E_n^T(f)_p]^p.$$

On the other hand, there exists a constant  $c(k, p)$  such that

$$(34) \quad 2^{ikp} \leq c(k, p) \sum_{s=2^{i-1}+1}^{2^i} (s+1)^{kp-1}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, s_0.$$

Now as in the case  $p \geq 1$  (see [5]), substituting  $\delta = n^{-1}$  in (33) and using (34) we get the assertion of Theorem 4.

From Theorem 3 and Theorem 4 the following characterization of  $\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p$  by the average modulus of smoothness  $\tau_k(f, \delta)_p$  is obtained:

**THEOREM 5.** Let  $f \in L_p[0, 2\pi]$ . Then

$$\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p = O(n^{-\alpha}) \Leftrightarrow \tau_k(f, \delta)_p = O(\delta^\alpha), \quad k > \alpha.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p = O(n^{-\alpha})$ . Then from Theorem 4 it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (35) \quad \tau_k(f, n^{-1})_p &\leq \frac{c(k, p)}{n^k} \left( \sum_{s=1}^n (s+1)^{kp-1} s^{-\alpha p} \right)^{1/p} + O(n^{-k}) \\
 &\leq \frac{c_1(k, p)}{n^k} \left( \int_0^{n+1} v^{(k-\alpha)p-1} dv \right)^{1/p} + O(n^{-k}) \\
 &= \frac{c_2(k, p)}{n^k} n^{k-\alpha} + O(n^{-k}) = O(n^{-\alpha}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now let  $\tau_k(f, \delta)_p = O(\delta^\alpha)$ . Then from Theorem 3 it follows that

$$(36) \quad \tilde{E}_n^T(f)_p = O(n^{-\alpha}), \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

NOTE. After this paper was written the author received a preprint of R. Taberski's paper [9], where independently of the present paper and using another method Theorem 4 in the case  $k = 1$  and Theorem 2 are proved, but Taberski's method is inapplicable in the case  $k > 1$ .

For example, from Theorem 5 one may deduce that the optimal order of one-sided approximation of  $B$  is  $O(n^{-1/p})$ .

Now we will only sketch how the one-sided approximation can be applied in the classical case. We give another proof of the following theorem:

THEOREM (see [1]). If  $f \in L_p$  then the following estimate holds:

$$E_n^T(f)_p \leq c(p) \omega_1(f, n^{-1})_p.$$

*Proof.* Using Whitney's theorem we can find a piecewise constant function with points of breaking polynomiality  $2k\pi/n$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ , such that

$$\left( \int_0^{2\pi} |f(x) - S_n(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \leq c(p) \omega_1(f, n^{-1})_p.$$

By Theorem 2 we can find  $S_n^+(x) \geq S_n(x)$ ,  $S_n^+ \in T_n$  and  $S_n^-(x) \leq S_n(x)$ ,  $S_n^- \in T_n$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left( \int_0^{2\pi} (S_n^+(x) - S_n(x))^p dx \right)^{1/p} &\leq c_1(p) \tau_1(S_n, n^{-1})_p \\
 &\leq c(p) \omega_1(S_n, n^{-1})_p;
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \int_0^{2\pi} (S_n(x) - S_n^-(x))^p dx \right)^{1/p} \leq \omega_1(S_n, n^{-1})_p.$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
\omega_1^p(S_n, n^{-1})_p &\leq \omega_1^p(f, n^{-1})_p + 2 \int_0^{2\pi} |S_n(x) - f(x)|^p dx \\
&\leq c(p) \omega_1^p(f, n^{-1})_p, \\
\int_0^{2\pi} |f(x) - S_n^+(x)|^p dx &\leq \int_0^{2\pi} |f(x) - S_n(x)|^p dx + \int_0^{2\pi} |S_n(x) - S_n^+(x)|^p dx \\
&\leq c^p(p) \omega_1^p(f, n^{-1})_p.
\end{aligned}$$

It is obvious that this method can be used for obtaining the classical Stechkin type theorem for approximation by trigonometric polynomials in the case  $0 < p < 1$ . Another proof of this theorem can be found in [8].

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