

ALTERNATION THEOREM FOR $C(I, X)$ AND APPLICATION TO BEST LOCAL APPROXIMATION

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Abstract. Let X be a Banach space with the approximation property, and $C(I, X)$ the space of continuous functions defined on $I = [0, 1]$ with values in X . Let $u_i \in C(I, X)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $M = \text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$. The object of this paper is to prove that if $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ satisfies certain conditions, then for $f \in C(I, X)$ and $g \in M$ we have $\|f - g\| = \inf\{\|f - h\| : h \in M\}$ if and only if $f - g$ has at least n -zeros. An application to best local approximation in $C(I, X)$ is given.

0. Introduction

Let $I = [0, 1]$ and $C(I)$ the space of real valued continuous functions. If $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ forms a T -system in $C(I)$, then the space $M = \text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ is a Chebechev subspace of $C(I)$, [3 p.81]. Hence for each $f \in C(I)$ there exists a unique $g \in M$ such that

$$\|f - g\| = d(f, M) = \inf\{\|f - h\| : h \in M\}.$$

The Alternation Theorem, [3, p.75], gives an important simple characterization of g : $\|f - g\| = d(f, M)$ if and only if $f - g$ has at least n -zeros”.

Chui, Shisha and Smith [4] used the Alternation Theorem to prove the existence of what they called “best local approximation” in $C(I)$.

The object of this paper is to study the Alternation Theorem and the problem of best local approximation in vector valued function spaces. It turns out

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that if we assume that the Banach space X has the so-called approximation property, and the set $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\} \subset C(I, X)$ satisfies certain conditions, then one has an Alternation Theorem, which then applied to prove results on best local approximation in $C(I, X)$.

Throughout this paper, if X is a Banach space, then X^* is the dual of X , and for $x \in X$, and $x^* \in X^*$ we write $\langle x, x^* \rangle$ for $x^*(x)$. The unit ball of X^* is denoted by $B_1(X^*)$. The unit mass measure at $a \in I$ is denoted by δ_a . Hence $\langle f, \delta_a \rangle = f(a)$. The set of reals is denoted by R .

1. $C(I, X)$ As Scalar Functions

For Banach spaces X and Y , let $X \overset{\vee}{\oplus} Y$ ($X \overset{\wedge}{\oplus} Y$) denote the injective (projective) tensor product of X with Y , [5. Chap 1]. It is well known that $C(I, X)$ is isometrically isomorphic to $C(I) \overset{\vee}{\oplus} X$, [5, p.9] for any Banach space X . In general it is not true that $(X \overset{\wedge}{\oplus} Y)^* = X^* \overset{\vee}{\oplus} Y^*$. In this work, we will choose X such that $(C(I) \overset{\vee}{\oplus} X)^* = [C(I)]^* \overset{\wedge}{\oplus} X^*$. Banach spaces with the so-called approximation property satisfies such equality, [5 Chap. 1]. Further, $L^p(\mu)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $C(I)$ have the approximation property, [2, p. 245].

Every $t \in I$ represents the unit mass measure δ_t . Hence $I \subset M(I) = C(I)^*$, the space of Borel measures on I . Further I is compact in $M(I)$ with the w^* -topology. We also have $B_1(X^*)$ is compact with the w^* -topology, by the Alaoglu Theorem. Hence $I \times B_1(X^*)$ is a compact space in the product topology.

Now every $f \in C(I, X)$ can be considered as a continuous function defined on $B_1([C(I, X)]^*) = B_1(M(I) \overset{\wedge}{\oplus} X^*)$ (Since X is assumed to have the approximation property). Since $I \times B_1(X^*)$ is closed in $[C(I, X)]^*$ and $I \times B_1(X^*) \subset B_1(M(I) \overset{\wedge}{\oplus} X^*)$, we get $I \times B_1(X^*)$ is closed in $B_1(M(I) \overset{\wedge}{\oplus} X^*)$. Here, the topology we refer to is the w^* -topology.

Finally, since for $f \in C(I, X)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|f\| &= \sup_{t \in I} \|f(t)\| \\
&= \sup_{t \in I} \sup_{x^* \in B_1(X^*)} |\langle f(t), x^* \rangle| \\
&= \sup_{\delta_t \oplus x^*} |\langle f, \delta_t \oplus x^* \rangle|,
\end{aligned}$$

we can consider, and we will, $f : I \times B_1(X^*) \rightarrow R$.

2. Vector Valued Alternation Theorem

Let $f \in C(I, X)$. We set

$$m(f) = \{\delta_t \oplus x^* : \langle f, \delta_t \oplus x^* \rangle = \|f\|, \quad t \in I, x^* \in B_1(X^*)\}.$$

Then one can easily prove:

Lemma 2.1. $m(f)$ is compact in $I \times B_1(X^*)$.

Now, let $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\} \subset C(I, X)$. For $(t, x^*) \in I \times B_1(X^*)$ we set

$$\hat{u}(t, x^*) = (\langle u_1(t), x^* \rangle, \dots, \langle u_n(t), x^* \rangle).$$

Thus $\hat{u}(t, x^*) \in R^n$ for each $(t, x^*) \in I \times B_1(X^*)$. Then

Lemma 2.2. Let $f \in C(I, X)$. Then the set

$$E = \{\langle f(t), x^* \rangle \hat{u}(t, x^*) : (t, x^*) \in m(f)\}$$

is a compact set in R^n .

Proof. consider the function

$$\begin{aligned}
\psi : I \times B_1(x^*) &\rightarrow R^n \\
\psi(t, x^*) &= \langle f(t), x^* \rangle \hat{u}(t, x^*).
\end{aligned}$$

Since f, u_1, \dots, u_n are continuous functions, then ψ is continuous. But

$$E = \{\psi(t, x^*) : (t, x^*) \in m(f)\}.$$

But by Lemma 2.1, $m(f)$ is compact. Hence E is compact. \blacksquare

Now, let M be subspace of $C(I, X)$ generated by u_1, \dots, u_n . Hence if $g \in M$, then $g = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i u_i$, $a_i \in R$. Since M is finite dimensional, then for each $f \in C(I, X)$ there exists at least one $g \in M$ such that

$$\|f - g\| = d(f, M) = \inf\{\|f - h\| : h \in M\}.$$

Now we prove the Characterization Theorem [3, p.73] for the space $C(I, X)$

Theorem 2.3. *Let $f \in C(I, X)$ and $g \in M$. The following are equivalent:*

- (i) $\|f - g\| = d(f, M)$
- (ii) $\underline{Q} = (0, \dots, 0)$ is in the convex hull of $E = \{(r(t, x^*) \hat{u}(t, x^*); (t, x^*) \in m(r))\}$ in R^n , where $r(t, x^*) = \langle f(t) - g(t), x^* \rangle$.

Proof. (ii) \rightarrow (i). Let $r(t, x^*) = \langle f(t) - g(t), x^* \rangle$. If possible assume that g is not a best approximant to f in M . Hence there exists $h \in M$ such that $\|r - h\| < \|r\|$. Consequently,

$$\|r(t, x^*) - \langle h(t), x^* \rangle\| < \|r(t, x^*)\| \quad (1)$$

for all $(t, x^*) \in m(r)$. Equation (1) implies that

$$r(t, x^*) \langle h(t), x^* \rangle > 0 \quad (2)$$

for all $(t, x^*) \in m(r)$.

Since $h \in M$, then $h = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i u_i$, for some $b_i \in R$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. Hence

$$\langle h(t), x^* \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \langle u_i(t), x^* \rangle = \langle b, \hat{u}(t, x^*) \rangle,$$

where $b = (b_1, \dots, b_n) \in R^n$. Hence, Equation (2) implies

$$r(t, x^*) \langle b, \hat{u}(t, x^*) \rangle > 0$$

for all $(t, x^*) \in m(r)$. But $r(t, x^*) = \|r\| > 0$ for all $(t, x^*) \in m(r)$. Hence $\langle b, \hat{u}(t, x^*) \rangle > 0$ for all $(t, x^*) \in m(r)$. By Lemma 2.2, the set $E = \{r(t, x^*)\hat{u}(t, x^*) : (t, x^*) \in m(r)\}$ is compact in R^n . Hence, [3, p.19], we get

$$\underline{Q} = (0, 0, \dots, 0) \notin \text{Convexhull of } E.$$

Conversely. (i)→(ii). Let the vector $\underline{Q} = (0, \dots, 0) \notin \text{convexhull of } E = \{r(t, x^*)\hat{u}(t, x^*) : (t, x^*) \in m(r)\}$. Hence, [3, p.19], there exists $b \in R^n$ such that $\langle b, r(t, x^*)\hat{u}(t, x^*) \rangle > 0$ for all $(t, x^*) \in m(r)$. By Lemma 2.1, $m(r)$ is compact. Hence, there exists $\mathcal{E} > 0$ and (t_0, x_0^*) such that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E} &= \inf\{r(t, x^*)\langle b, \hat{u}(t, x^*) \rangle : (t, x^*) \in m(r)\} \\ &= r(t_0, x_0^*)\langle b, \hat{u}(t_0, x_0^*) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Now, let

$$K_1 = \{(t, x^*) \in I \times B_1(X^*) : r(t, x^*) < b, \hat{u}(t, x^*) \leq \mathcal{E}/2\}.$$

The set K_1 is closed (and hence compact) in $I \times B_1(X^*)$. Further $K_1 \cap m(r) = \phi$. Since r is continuous, and K_1 is compact, then $|r|$ attains its maximum on K_1 and if

$$\alpha = \max\{|r(t, x^*)| : (t, x^*) \in K_1\},$$

then $\alpha < \|r\|$. Now choose $\lambda > 0$ such that $0 < \lambda < \frac{\|r\| - \alpha}{\|\sum_{i=1}^n b_i u_i\|}$. Hence for any

$(t, x^*) \in K$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |r(t, x^*) - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \langle u_i(t), x^* \rangle| &\leq |r(t, x^*)| + \lambda \left| \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \langle u_i(t), x^* \rangle \right| \\ &\leq \alpha + \lambda \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n b_i u_i \right\| \\ &< \|r\| \quad \left(\text{since } \lambda < \frac{\|r\| - \alpha}{\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n b_i u_i \right\|} \right) \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, if $(t, x^*) \notin K_1$, then we can choose λ to satisfy the additional condition $0 < \lambda < \frac{\mathcal{E}}{\|\sum_{i=1}^n b_i u_i\|^2}$. Since $r(t, x^*) \langle b, \hat{u}(t, x^*) \rangle > \mathcal{E}/2$ for

all $(t, x^*) \notin K_1$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} |r(t, x^*) - \lambda \sum b_i u_i(t, x^*)|^2 &\leq \|r\|^2 + \lambda \|\sum b_i u_i(t, x^*)\|^2 - \mathcal{E} \\ &< \|r\|^2 \quad (\text{since } \lambda < \frac{\mathcal{E}}{\|\sum b_i u_i\|^2}) \end{aligned} \quad (**)$$

Equations (*) and (**) implies that g is not a best approximant of f in M . This ends the proof. \blacksquare

For $f \in C(I, X)$ and $x^* \in B_1(X^*)$ set:

$$m(f, x^*) = \{(t, x^*) : |\langle f(t), x^* \rangle| = \|f\|\}.$$

clearly $m(f, x^*)$ is a closed subset of $m(f)$. Then Theorem 2.3 is valid in the following setting.

Theorem 2.4. *Let $f \in C(I, X)$ and $g \in M$. The following are equivalent:*

- (i) $\|f - g\| = d(f, M)$
- (ii) $\underline{Q} = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$ is in the convex hull of $E(x^*) = \{r(t, x^*) \hat{u}(t, x^*) : (t, x^*) \in m(f - g, x^*)\}$.

We need one more result before we can prove the Alternation Theorem.

Set

$$N = \{x^* \in B_1(X^*) : \hat{u}(t, x^*) \neq \underline{0} \text{ for all } t \in I\}.$$

For general u_1, \dots, u_n in $C(I, X)$, the set N could be empty. This occurs if u_1, \dots, u_n have a common zero.

Definition 2.5. The set $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\} \subset C(I, X)$ is said to satisfy the Haar condition if there exists at least one $x^* \in N$ such that

$$D(t_1, \dots, t_n, x^*) = \begin{vmatrix} \langle u_1(t_1), x^* \rangle & \dots & \langle u_1(t_n), x^* \rangle \\ \langle u_n(t_1), x^* \rangle & \dots & \langle u_n(t_n), x^* \rangle \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

for all $t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n$ in I . Set $N(D) = \{x^* \in N : D(t_1, \dots, t_n, x^*) \neq 0 \text{ for all } t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n \text{ in } I\}$.

A simple example satisfying the Haar condition is:

$$u_1 = t \oplus x, \dots, u_n = t^n \oplus x,$$

where $x \neq 0$ is in the Banach space X .

The set $I^n \times \{x^*\} = \{(t_1, \dots, t_n, x^*) : t_i \in I\}$ is a convex subset of $I^n \times B_1(X^*)$. Hence the continuity of $D(t_1, \dots, t_n, x^*)$ as a real valued function on $I^n \times B_1(X^*)$ implies (using the Intermediate Value Theorem) that D has the same sign on $I^n \times \{x^*\}$. Then, together with Lemma 1 [p. 74] we get:

Lemma 2.6. Let $x^* \in N(D)$ and $\{t_0, \dots, t_n\}$ be a set of $n + 1$ distinct elements in I , and $\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n$ be non-zero real numbers. Let $E(x^*) = \{\lambda_0 \hat{u}(t_0, x^*), \dots, \lambda_n \hat{u}(t_n, x^*)\}$. The $\underline{Q} = (0, \dots, 0) \in \text{convexhull of } E(x^*)$ if and only if $\lambda_i \lambda_{i-1} < 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Now we prove:

Theorem 2.7. (Alternation Theorem). Let $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\} \subset C(I, X)$ satisfy the Haar condition. Let $f \in C(I, X)$ and $g \in M$. The following are Equivalent:

- (i) $\|f - g\| = d(f, M)$
- (ii) $f - g$ has at least n -zeros.

Proof. Let $r = f - g$. By Theorem 2.3, (i) is satisfied if and only if $\underline{Q} = (0, \dots, 0) \in \text{convexhull of } E(x^*) = \{r(t, x^*) \hat{u}(t, x^*) : (t, x^*) \in m(r)\}$. Since $E(x^*)$ is compact, then every point in the convexhull of $E(x^*)$ is a convex linear combination of at most n -elements of $E(x^*)$. Thus there exists $\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_k \in (0, 1)$ such that $\sum_{i=0}^k \lambda_i = 1$ and $0 = \sum_{i=0}^k \lambda_i r(t_i, x^*) \hat{u}(t_i, x^*)$. By Caratheodory Theorem [3 p.17], we have $k \leq n$.

Since the set $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ satisfy the Haar condition, the elements of any subset $\{\hat{u}(t_k, x^*) : 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ is independent in R^n . Consequently $k \geq n$. Hence $k = n$.

Lemma 2.6 now implies that $\lambda_i r(t_i, x^*)$ has at least $n + 1$ alternation. But $\lambda_i > 0$. Thus r has at least n -zeros. This ends the proof. \blacksquare

3. Best Local approximation

Let $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\} \subset C(I, X)$ and $M = \text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$. For $\mathcal{E} \in (0, 1)$ let $I_{\mathcal{E}} = [0, \mathcal{E}]$ and $M_{\mathcal{E}} = M|_{I_{\mathcal{E}}}$, the restriction of M to $I_{\mathcal{E}}$. Then $M_{\mathcal{E}} \subset C(I_{\mathcal{E}}, X)$. Let $f \in C(I, X)$ and $f_{\mathcal{E}} = f|_{I_{\mathcal{E}}}$. Since $M_{\mathcal{E}}$ is finite dimensional for all \mathcal{E} , it follows that for each \mathcal{E} there exists $P_{\mathcal{E}}(f) \in M_{\mathcal{E}}$ such that

$$\|f_{\mathcal{E}} - P_{\mathcal{E}}(f)\| = d(f_{\mathcal{E}}, M_{\mathcal{E}}).$$

The net $(P_{\mathcal{E}}(f))$ need not to converge as $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow 0^+$. Following Chui, Shisha and Smith [4], "if $(P_{\mathcal{E}}(f))$ converges uniformly on some interval $[0, \mathcal{E}_0]$ to some $P_0(f) \in M$, then we say that $P_0(f)$ is a best local approximation of f ."

The object of this section, is to use the results in section II of this paper to prove a similar type Theorems of Chui-etal [4, Theorem 2.1] for vector valued continous functions, with the uniform norm and with the L^1 -norm.

For $f \in C(I, X)$ we say that f is weakly differentiable on I if for each $t \in (0, 1)$

$$\lim_{\mathcal{E} \rightarrow 0} \left\langle \frac{f(t + \mathcal{E}) - f(t)}{\mathcal{E}}, x^* \right\rangle$$

exists for each $x^* \in X^*$. We will write $f'(t, x^*)$ for such limit. Let $C_{\omega}^n(I, X)$ denote the space of n -times weakly differnetiable functions. We let $f^{(j)}(t, x^*)$ denote the j^{th} -derevative associated with t and x^* .

Now we assume that the set $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\} \subset C_{\omega}^n(I, X)$. For $x^* \in B_1(X^*)$, we let

$$A_n(x^*) = \begin{vmatrix} \langle u_1(0), x^* \rangle \cdots \langle u_n(0), x^* \rangle \\ \vdots \\ u_1^{(n-1)}(0, x^*) \cdots u_n^{(n-1)}(0, x^*) \end{vmatrix}$$

Now we prove

Theorem 3.1. *Let $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\} \subset C_{\omega}^n(I, X)$ satisfy the Haar Condition. Assume that for every $f \in C_{\omega}^n(I, X)$ the net $P_{\mathcal{E}}(f)$ converges uniformly to f_0 as $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow 0^+$. Then the matrix $A_n(x^*)$ is non-singular for every $x^* \neq 0$ in $B_1(X^*)$.*

Proof. Since $P_{\mathcal{E}}(f) \in M$ for each $\mathcal{E} > 0$, it follows that $P_0(f) \in M$. Further, since

$$\|P_{\mathcal{E}}(f) - f_{\mathcal{E}}\| = d(f_{\mathcal{E}}, M_{\mathcal{E}}),$$

then by Theorem 2.7 there exists $(t_i(\mathcal{E}))_{i=1}^n$, such that $0 < t_1(\mathcal{E}) < t_2(\mathcal{E}) < \dots < t_n(\mathcal{E}) < \mathcal{E}$ and

$$P_{\mathcal{E}}(f)(t_i(\mathcal{E})) - f(t_i(\mathcal{E})) = 0, \quad (f_{\mathcal{E}}(t_i(\mathcal{E})) = f(t_i(\mathcal{E})).$$

Thus by Rolle's Theorem, for each $x^* \in B_1(X^*)$ there exists $(s_j(\mathcal{E}))_{j=1}^n$ such that

$$P_{\mathcal{E}}(f)^{j-1}(s_j(\mathcal{E}), x^*) - f^{j-1}(s_j(\mathcal{E}), x^*) = 0 \tag{1}$$

where $0 < s_1(\mathcal{E}) < \dots < s_{n-j+1}(\mathcal{E}) < \mathcal{E}$. Now fixing x^* and taking the limit as $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow 0^+$ in (1) we get

$$\lim_{\mathcal{E} \rightarrow 0^+} P_{\mathcal{E}}(f)^{j-1}(s_j(\mathcal{E}), x^*) = f^{(j-1)}(0, x^*), \tag{2}$$

$j = 1, \dots, n$, and (2) holds for all $f \in C_{\omega}^n(I, X)$ and $x^* \in B_1(X^*)$.

Now, since $P_{\mathcal{E}}(f) \in M$, we have

$$P_{\mathcal{E}}(f)(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(\mathcal{E}, f)u_i(t).$$

Further, that $P_{\mathcal{E}}(f) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} P_0(f)$ and that M is finite dimensional implies that $a_i(\mathcal{E}, f) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} a_i(f)$ say for each $i = 1, \dots, n$. Hence from Equation (2) and the fact that $u_i \in C_{\omega}^n(I, X)$ we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i(f)u_i^{(j-1)}(0, x^*) = f^{(j-1)}(0, x^*) \tag{3}$$

for all $x^* \in B_1(X^*)$. Since equation (3) is valid for all $f \in C_{\omega}^n(I, X)$, it follows that for $x^* \neq 0$, $A_n(x^*)$ is non-singular. This ends the proof. ■

Lemma 3.2. *Let $A_n(x^*)$ be non-singular, and $\|\sum_{i=1}^n a_i(\mathcal{E})u_i\|_{I_{\mathcal{E}}} = O(\mathcal{E}^{n-1})$ as $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow 0^+$. Then $a_i(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow 0$ as $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow 0^+$ for each $i = 1, \dots, n$.*

Proof. The proof follows from the facts

(i) $\| \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(\mathcal{E})u_i \|_{I_{\mathcal{E}}} = 0(\mathcal{E}^{n-1})$ as $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow 0$ implies that $\| \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(\mathcal{E})\langle u_i, x^* \rangle \|_{I_{\mathcal{E}}} = 0(\mathcal{E}^{n-1})$ as $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow 0$

(ii) If $g(t) = \langle u_i(t), x^* \rangle$, then $g'(0) = u'_i(0, x^*)$.

(iii) Lemma 2.1 of [4]. ■

We now prove the converse of Theorem 3.1.

Theorem 3.3. *Let $A_n(x^*)$ be non-singular for each $x^* \neq 0$ in $B_1(X^*)$. Then $P_{\varepsilon}(f)$ converges uniformly to some $P_0(f)$. Further, $P_0(f)^j(0, x^*) = f^j(0, x^*)$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ and $x^* \in B_1(X^*)$.*

Proof. Let $P_{\varepsilon}(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(\varepsilon, f)u_i$. For every $z^* \in B_1(X^*)$, the element $h = \sum_{i=1}^n f^{j-1}(0, x^*)u_i$ is an element of M . Since $P_{\varepsilon}(f)$ is the best approximant of f_{ε} in M_{ε} , it follows that

$$\|P_{\varepsilon}(f) - f_{\varepsilon}\| \leq \|h - f_{\varepsilon}\|_{I_{\varepsilon}}$$

Now, for any $g \in C(I, X)$, the map $t \rightarrow \|g(t)\|$ is continuous on the compact set I . Hence $\sup_t \|g(t)\| = \|g(t_0)\|$ for some t_0 . By the Hahn-Banach Theorem, there exists some $x^* \in B_1(X^*)$ such that

$$\sup_t \|g(t)\| = \|g(t_0)\| = \langle g(t_0), x^* \rangle$$

Consequently, since $h, f \in C(I, X)$, there exists some $t \in P_{\varepsilon}$ and $x^* \in B(X^*)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \|h - f_{\varepsilon}\| &= |\langle h(t) - f_{\varepsilon}(t), x^* \rangle| \\ &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^n f^{(i-1)}(0, x) \langle u_i(t), x^* \rangle - \langle f_{\varepsilon}(t), x^* \rangle \right| \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Since $A_n(x^*)$ has an inverse, we can assume that

$$\langle u_i^{(i-1)}(0), x^* \rangle = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases},$$

Thus expanding each $\langle u_i, x^* \rangle$ around the point $t = 0$, using the Taylor expansion with remainder we get:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle u_i(s), x^* \rangle &= \langle u_i(0), x^* \rangle + \cdots + \frac{\langle u_i^{n-1}(0), x^* \rangle}{(n-1)!} s^{n-1} + \frac{\langle u_i^{(n)}(r), x^* \rangle}{n!} s^n \\ &= \langle u_i^{(i)}(0), x^* \rangle + R_i,\end{aligned}$$

where $R_i = \frac{\langle u_i^{(n)}(r), x^* \rangle}{n!} s^n, \quad 0 < r < s < \varepsilon.$

Hence
$$\sum_{i=1}^n f^{(i-1)}(0, x^*) \langle u_i(t), x^* \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n f^{(i-1)}(0, x^*) \frac{t^i}{i!} + \sum_{i=1}^n R_i.$$

Similarly, we expand $\langle f_\varepsilon(t), x^* \rangle$ around $t = 0$, using Taylor series with remainder. Using the fact that u_i and f are in $C_\omega^n(I, X)$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$, and the fact each R_i has the form

$$R_i = \theta(r) \cdot S^n,$$

where θ is continuous and $0 < r < s < \varepsilon$, it follows that for $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$:

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^n f^{i-1}(0, x^*) \langle u_i(t), x^* \rangle - \langle f_\varepsilon(t), x^* \rangle \right| = O(\varepsilon^n) = o(\varepsilon^{n-1}) \quad (2)$$

It follows from (1) that for $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$:

$$\|P_\varepsilon(f) - f_\varepsilon\| = o(\varepsilon^{n-1}) \quad (3)$$

Now, let $b_i(\varepsilon, f) = a_i(\varepsilon, f) - f^{(i-1)}(0, x^*)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(\varepsilon, f) u_i \right\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n a_i(\varepsilon, f) u_i - \sum_{i=1}^n f^{(i-1)}(0, x^*) u_i \right\| \\ &\leq \|P_\varepsilon(f) - f_\varepsilon\| + \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n f^{(i-1)}(0, x^*) u_i - f_\varepsilon \right\|.\end{aligned}$$

Then using equation (2) and (3) to get for $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$:

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(\varepsilon, f) u_i \right\| = o(\varepsilon^{n-1}) \quad (4)$$

Hence,

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \|P_\varepsilon(f) - \sum_{i=1}^n f^{(i-1)}(o, x^*)u_i\|_{I_\varepsilon} = 0$$

Thus $P_\varepsilon(f)$ converges uniformly to some $P_0(f)$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$. Further, equation (4) and Lemma 3.2 implies that $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} b_i(\varepsilon, f) = 0$. Hence

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} a_i(\varepsilon, f) = f^{i-1}(o, x^*).$$

Thus

$$P_0(f)^j(o, x^*) = f^j(o, x^*).$$

This ends the proof of the Theorem.

Closing Remarks. One can consider the problem of best local approximation for different subspace M . Indeed Let $X = \ell^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, and $L^p(I, \ell^p)$ be the space of p -Bachner integrable functions defined on I with values in ℓ^p . Hence for $f \in L^p(I, \ell^p)$,

$$\|f\|_p = \left(\int_0^1 \|f(t)\|^p dt\right)^{1/p} = \left(\int_0^1 \sum_{n=1}^\infty |f_n(t)|^p dt\right)^{1/p},$$

where $f(t) = (f_n(t))_{n=1}^\infty$.

Let $\{u_i, \dots, u_n\}$ be continuous functions in $L^p(I, \ell^p)$ such that

$$u_j = (u_{ji})_{i=1}^\infty,$$

and $\{u_{1i}, \dots, u_{ni}\}$ is a T -system in $C(I)$ for each $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Set $M = \text{span}$ of $\{u_i, \dots, u_n\}$. In [6] Kroo proved that M is a Chebechev subspace in $L^1(\ell_n^2)$, ℓ_n^2 is a finite dimensional Hilbert space. The authors proved in [1] that M is a Chebechev subspace in $L^1(\ell^p)$, for any $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, and with no restriction on the dimension of ℓ^p . If we set $p = 1$ and $M_j = \text{span}\{u_{11}, \dots, u_{nj}\}$, then each M_j is a Chebechev subspace in $L^1(I)$ by the Jackson's Theorem [3]. Set

$$M = \{(g_j) : g_j \in M_j : \int_0^1 \|g(t)\| dt < \infty\}.$$

Then M is a closed subspace of $L^1(I, \ell^1)$. Further M is proximal. For $f = (f_n) \in L^1(I, \ell^1)$ and $\hat{f}_n \in M_n$ such $d(f_n, M_n) = \|f_n - \hat{f}_n\|_1$, we have $g = (\hat{f}_n) \in M$ and

$$d(f, M) = \|f - g\|.$$

In this case the problem of best local approximation is that for the coordinate functions f_n , and one can prove

Theorem. $P_{\mathcal{E}}(f)$ converges in $L^1(I, \ell^1)$ to some $P_0(f)$ in M if only if $P_{\mathcal{E}}(f_n)$ converges in $L^1(I)$ to some $P_0(f_n)$ in M_n .

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