

# ON THE RATE OF CONVERGENCE OF SOME ORTHOGONAL POLYNOMIAL EXPANSIONS

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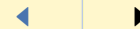
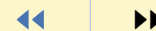
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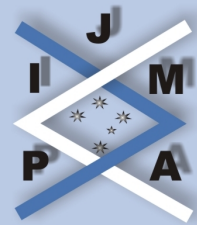
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# 1. Introduction

Let  $H_n$  be the class of all polynomials of degree not exceeding  $n$  and let  $w$  be a weight function defined on  $I = [-1, 1]$ , i.e.  $w(t) \geq 0$  for all  $t \in I$  and

$$\int_{-1}^1 |t|^k w(t) dt < \infty \quad \text{for} \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Then there is a unique system  $\{p_n\}$  of polynomials such that  $p_n \in H_n$ ,  $p_n \equiv p_n(w; x) = \gamma_n x^n + \text{lower degree terms}$ , where  $\gamma_n > 0$  and

$$\int_{-1}^1 p_n(t) p_m(t) w(t) dt = \delta_{n,m}$$

(see [9, Chap. II]). If  $fw$  is integrable on  $I$ , then by  $S_n[f](w; x)$  we denote the  $n$ -th partial sum of the Fourier series of the function  $f$  with respect to the system  $\{p_n\}$ , i.e.

$$S_n[f](w; x) := \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k p_k(x) = \int_{-1}^1 f(t) K_n(x, t) w(t) dt,$$

where

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} a_k &:= \int_{-1}^1 f(t) p_k(t) w(t) dt, & k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ K_n(x, t) &:= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} p_k(x) p_k(t), & n = 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

In 1985 (see [6, p. 485]) R. Bojanic proved the following

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**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $w$  be a weight function and suppose that for all  $x \in (-1, 1)$  and  $n = 1, 2, \dots$

$$(1.2) \quad 0 < w(x) \leq K(1 - x^2)^{-A},$$

$$(1.3) \quad |p_n(x)| \leq K(1 - x^2)^{-B},$$

$$(1.4) \quad \left| \int_{-1}^x w(t)p_n(t)dt \right| \leq \frac{C}{n},$$

where  $A, B, C, K$  are some non-negative constants. If  $f$  is a function of bounded variation in the Jordan sense on  $I$ , then

$$\left| S_n[f](w; x) - \frac{1}{2}(f(x+) + f(x-)) \right| \leq \frac{\varphi(x)}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n V \left( g_x; x - \frac{1+x}{k}, x + \frac{1-x}{k} \right) + \frac{1}{2}|f(x-) - f(x+)| |S_n[\psi_x](w; x)|,$$

where  $f(x+), f(x-)$  denote the one-sided limits of  $f$  at the point  $x$ , the function  $g_x$  is given by

$$(1.5) \quad g_x(t) := \begin{cases} f(t) - f(x-) & \text{if } -1 \leq t < x, \\ 0 & \text{if } t = x, \\ f(t) - f(x+) & \text{if } x < t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$(1.6) \quad \psi_x(t) := \operatorname{sgn}_x(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t > x, \\ 0 & \text{if } t = x, \\ -1 & \text{if } t < x. \end{cases}$$



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Moreover,  $\varphi(x) > 0$  for  $x \in (-1, 1)$  and  $V(g_x; a, b)$  is the total variation of  $g_x$  on  $[a, b]$ .

In this paper, we extend this Bojanic result to the case of measurable and bounded functions  $f$  on  $I$  (in symbols  $f \in M(I)$ ). We will estimate the rate of convergence of  $S_n[f](w; x)$  at those points  $x \in I$  at which  $f$  possesses finite one-sided limits  $f(x+)$ ,  $f(x-)$ . In our main estimate we use the modulus of variation  $v_n(g_x; a, b)$  of the function  $g_x$  on some intervals  $[a, b] \subset I$ . For positive integers  $n$ , the modulus of variation of a function  $g$  on  $[a, b]$  is defined by

$$\nu_n(g; a, b) := \sup_{\pi_n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} |g(x_{2k+1}) - g(x_{2k})|,$$

where the supremum is taken over all systems  $\pi_n$  of  $n$  non-overlapping open intervals  $(x_{2k}, x_{2k+1}) \subset (a, b)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$  (see [2]). In particular, we obtain estimates for the deviation  $|S_n[f](w; x) - \frac{1}{2}(f(x+) + f(x-))|$  for functions  $f \in BV_\Phi(I)$ . We will say that a function  $f$ , defined on the interval  $I$  belongs to the class  $BV_\Phi(I)$ , if

$$V_\Phi(f; I) := \sup_{\pi} \sum_k \Phi(|f(x_k) - f(t_k)|) < \infty,$$

where the supremum is taken over all finite systems  $\pi$  of non-overlapping intervals  $(x_k, t_k) \subset I$ . It will be assumed that  $\Phi$  is a continuous, convex and strictly increasing function on the interval  $[0, \infty)$ , such that  $\Phi(0) = 0$ . The symbol  $V_\Phi(f; a, b)$  will denote the total  $\Phi$ -variation of  $f$  on the interval  $[a, b] \subset I$ . In the special case, if  $\Phi(u) = u^p$  for  $u \geq 0$  ( $p \geq 1$ ), we will write  $BV_p(I)$  instead of  $BV_\Phi(I)$ , and  $V_p(f; a, b)$  instead of  $V_\Phi(f; a, b)$ .



## 2. Lemmas

In this section we first mention some results which are necessary for proving the main theorem.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Under the assumptions (1.2), (1.3) and (1.4), we have for  $n \geq 2$*

$$(2.1) \quad \left| \int_{-1}^s K_n(x, t) w(t) dt \right| \leq \frac{4CK}{n-1} \frac{(1-x^2)^{-B}}{x-s} \quad (-1 \leq s < x < 1),$$

$$(2.2) \quad \left| \int_s^1 K_n(x, t) w(t) dt \right| \leq \frac{4CK}{n-1} \frac{(1-x^2)^{-B}}{s-x} \quad (-1 < x < s \leq 1),$$

$$(2.3) \quad \int_{x-\frac{1+x}{n}}^x |K_n(x, t) w(t)| dt \leq 2^{A+B} K^3 \frac{1+x}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B}} \quad (-1 < x < 1),$$

$$(2.4) \quad \int_x^{x+\frac{1-x}{n}} |K_n(x, t) w(t)| dt \leq 2^{A+B} K^3 \frac{1-x}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B}} \quad (-1 < x < 1),$$

$$(2.5) \quad |K_n(x, t) w(t)| \leq \frac{2K^3}{|x-t|} \frac{1}{(1-x^2)^B (1-t^2)^{B+A}}$$

if  $x \neq t$ ,  $-1 < x < 1$ ,  $-1 < t < 1$ .

*Proof.* In order to prove (2.1), let us observe that by the Christoffel-Darboux formula ([3, p. 26] or [9, p. 42]) we have

$$(2.6) \quad K_n(x, t) = \frac{\gamma_{n-1}}{\gamma_n} \frac{p_{n-1}(t)p_n(x) - p_{n-1}(x)p_n(t)}{x-t}.$$

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Using the mean-value theorem and (1.3), we get for  $-1 \leq s < x < 1$ ,

$$\left| \int_{-1}^s K_n(x, t)w(t)dt \right| \leq \frac{\gamma_{n-1}}{\gamma_n} \cdot \frac{K(1-x^2)^{-B}}{x-s} \left\{ \left| \int_{\varepsilon}^s p_{n-1}(t)w(t)dt \right| + \left| \int_{\eta}^s p_n(t)w(t)dr \right| \right\},$$

where  $\varepsilon, \eta \in [-1, s]$ . From the inequality  $\frac{\gamma_{n-1}}{\gamma_n} \leq 1$  (see [6, p. 488]) and from the assumption (1.4) our estimate (2.1) follows immediately.

The proof of (2.2) is similar.

In view of (1.1) and the assumptions (1.2), (1.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x-\frac{1+x}{n}}^x |K_n(x, t)w(t)| dt &\leq \frac{nK^3}{(1-x^2)^B} \int_{x-\frac{1+x}{n}}^x \frac{dt}{(1-t^2)^{A+B}} \\ &\leq 2^{A+B} K^3 \frac{1+x}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B}}. \end{aligned}$$

In the same way, we get (2.4).

Applying identity (2.6), assumptions (1.2) and (1.3), we can easily prove (2.5).  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** *Suppose that  $g \in M(I)$  is equal to zero at a fixed point  $x \in (-1, 1)$  and that assumptions (1.2), (1.3), (1.4) are satisfied with  $A, B$  such that  $A + B < 1$ . Then for  $n \geq 3$*

$$(2.7) \quad \left| \int_x^1 g(t)K_n(x, t)w(t)dt \right| \leq \frac{c_1}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B}n^{1-(A+B)}} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g; t_{n-j}, 1)}{j^{1+A+B}}$$



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$$+ \frac{c_2}{(1-x^2)^{1+B}} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g; x, t_j)}{j^2} + \frac{\nu_{n-1}(g; x, 1)}{n-1} \right\},$$

where  $t_j = x + j(1-x)/n$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ),  $c_1 = 8K^3/(1-A-B)$ ,  $c_2 = 8K(3K^2 + 2C)$ .

*Proof.* Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} (2.8) \quad & \int_x^1 g(t)K_n(x, t)w(t)dt \\ &= \int_x^{t_1} g(t)K_n(x, t)w(t)dt + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} g(t_j) \int_{t_j}^{t_{j+1}} K_n(x, t)w(t)dt \\ & \quad + \int_{t_{n-1}}^1 (g(t) - g(t_{n-1}))K_n(x, t)w(t)dt \\ & \quad + \sum_{j=1}^{n-2} \int_{t_j}^{t_{j+1}} (g(t) - g(t_j))K_n(x, t)w(t)dt \\ &= I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4, \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned}$$

In view of (2.4),

$$(2.9) \quad |I_1| \leq \int_x^{t_1} |g(t) - g(x)| |K_n(x, t)w(t)|dt \leq \frac{2K^3(1-x)}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B}} \nu_1(g; x, t_1).$$





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Applying the Abel transformation we get

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= g(t_1) \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} K_n(x, t) w(t) dt + \sum_{j=1}^{n-2} (g(t_{j+1}) - g(t_j)) \sum_{k=j+1}^{n-1} \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} K_n(x, t) w(t) dt \\ &= (g(t_1) - g(x)) \int_{t_1}^1 K_n(x, t) w(t) dt + \sum_{j=1}^{n-2} (g(t_{j+1}) - g(t_j)) \int_{t_{j+1}}^1 K_n(x, t) w(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Next, using the inequality (2.2) and once more the Abel transformation we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |I_2| &\leq \frac{4CK}{(n-1)(1-x^2)^B} \left( \frac{|g(t_1) - g(x)|}{t_1 - x} + \sum_{j=1}^{n-2} |g(t_{j+1}) - g(t_j)| \frac{1}{(t_{j+1} - x)} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{4CKn}{(n-1)(1-x^2)^B(1-x)} \left\{ |g(t_1) - g(x)| + \sum_{j=1}^{n-2} \frac{1}{(j+1)(j+2)} \sum_{k=1}^j |g(t_{k+1}) - g(t_k)| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-3} |g(t_{k+1}) - g(t_k)| \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, in view of the definition of the modulus of variation and its elementary properties,

$$(2.10) \quad |I_2| \leq \frac{8CK}{(1-x)(1-x^2)^B} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_k(g; x, t_k)}{k^2} + \frac{\nu_{n-1}(g; x, 1)}{n-1} \right)$$

(see the proof of Lemma 1 in [8]).



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Next, by inequality (2.5),

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.11) \quad |I_3| &\leq \frac{2K^3}{(1-x^2)^B} \nu_1(g; t_{n-1}, 1) \int_{t_{n-1}}^1 \frac{dt}{(t-x)(1-t^2)^{A+B}} \\
 &\leq \frac{4K^3 \nu_1(g; t_{n-1}, 1)}{(1-x^2)^B (1-x)(1+x)^{A+B}} \int_{t_{n-1}}^1 \frac{dt}{(1-t)^{A+B}} \\
 &= \frac{4K^3 \nu_1(g; t_{n-1}, 1)}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B} n^{1-(A+B)} (1-(A+B))}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 |I_4| &\leq \frac{2K^3}{(1-x^2)^B} \sum_{j=1}^{n-2} \int_{t_j}^{t_{j+1}} \frac{|g(t) - g(t_j)|}{(t_j - x)(1 - t_{j+1})^{A+B} (1 + t_j)^{A+B}} dt \\
 &\leq \frac{2K^3 n^{1+A+B}}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B} (1-x)} \sum_{j=1}^{n-2} \int_{t_j}^{t_{j+1}} \frac{|g(t) - g(t_j)|}{j(n-j-1)^{A+B}} dt \\
 &= \frac{2K^3 n^{1+A+B}}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B} (1-x)} \sum_{j=1}^{n-2} \int_0^h \frac{|g(s+t_j) - g(t_j)|}{j(n-j-1)^{A+B}} dt \\
 &= \frac{2K^3 n^{1+A+B}}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B} (1-x)} \int_0^h \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{|g(s+t_j) - g(t_j)|}{j(n-j-1)^{A+B}} + \sum_{j=m+1}^{n-2} \frac{|g(s+t_j) - g(t_j)|}{j(n-j-1)^{A+B}} \right\} ds,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $h = (1-x)/n$  and  $m = [n/2]$ . Next, arguing similarly to the proof of the



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lemma in [7] (the estimate of  $I_4$ ) we obtain

$$(2.12) \quad |I_4| \leq \frac{2K^3}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B}} \left\{ 2 \cdot 6^{A+B} \sum_{j=2}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g; x, t_j)}{j^2} + \frac{6^{A+B} \nu_{n-1}(g; x, 1)}{n-1} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{4}{n^{1-(A+B)}} \sum_{j=2}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g; t_{n-j}, 1)}{j^{1+A+B}} + 2 \frac{\nu_{n-1}(g; x, 1)}{n^{1-(A+B)}(n-1)^{A+B}} \right\}.$$

In view of (2.8), (2.9), (2.10), (2.11) and (2.12) we get the desired estimation.  $\square$

By symmetry, the analogous estimate for the integral  $\int_{-1}^x g(t)K_n(x, t)w(t)dt$  can be deduced as well. Namely, we have

$$(2.13) \quad \left| \int_{-1}^x g(t)K_n(x, t)w(t)dt \right| \leq \frac{c_1}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B}n^{1-(A+B)}} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g; -1, s_{n-j})}{j^{1+A+B}} \\ + \frac{c_2}{(1-x^2)^{1+B}} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g; s_j, x)}{j^2} + \frac{\nu_{n-1}(g; -1, x)}{n-1} \right\},$$

where  $s_j = x - j(1+x)/n$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ),  $c_1, c_2$  are the same as in Lemma 2.2.



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### 3. Results

Suppose that  $f \in M(I)$  and that at a fixed point  $x \in (-1, 1)$  the one-sided limits  $f(x+)$ ,  $f(x-)$  exist. As is easily seen

$$(3.1) \quad S_n[f](w; x) - \frac{1}{2}(f(x+) + f(x-)) = \int_{-1}^1 g_x(t)K_n(x, t)w(t)dt + \frac{1}{2}(f(x+) - f(x-))S_n[\psi_x](w; x),$$

where  $g_x$  and  $\psi_x$  are defined by (1.5) and (1.6), respectively.

The first term on the right-hand side of identity (3.1) can be estimated via (2.7) and (2.13). Consequently, we get:

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $w$  be a weight function and let assumptions (1.2), (1.3), (1.4) be satisfied with  $A + B < 1$ . If  $f \in M(I)$  and if the limits  $f(x+)$ ,  $f(x-)$  at a fixed  $x \in (-1, 1)$  exist, then for  $n \geq 3$  we have*

$$(3.2) \quad \left| S_n[f](w; x) - \frac{1}{2}(f(x+) + f(x-)) \right| \leq \frac{c_1}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B}n^{1-(A+B)}} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g_x; t_{n-j}, 1) + \nu_j(g_x; -1, s_{n-j})}{j^{1+A+B}} + \frac{c_2}{(1-x^2)^{1+B}} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g; x, t_j) + \nu_j(g_x; s_j, x)}{j^2} + \frac{\nu_{n-1}(g_x; -1, x) + \nu_{n-1}(g_x; x, 1)}{n-1} \right\} + \frac{1}{2}(f(x+) - f(x-))S_n[\psi_x](w; x),$$

where  $t_j, s_j, c_1, c_2$  are defined above (in Section 2).



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**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $f \in BV_{\Phi}(I)$  and let assumptions (1.2), (1.3), (1.4) be satisfied with  $A + B < 1$ . Then for every  $x \in (-1, 1)$ , and all  $n \geq 3$ ,

$$(3.3) \quad \left| S_n[f](w; x) - \frac{1}{2}(f(x+) + f(x-)) \right| \\ \leq \frac{c_3}{(1-x^2)^{1+B}} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k} \Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{k}{n} V_{\Phi} \left( g_x; x, x + \frac{1-x}{k} \right) + \frac{k}{n} V_{\Phi} \left( g_x; x - \frac{1+x}{k}, x \right) \right) \\ + \frac{c_4(x)}{(1-x^2)^{A+2B} n^{1-(A+B)}} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k^{A+B}} \Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{k} \right) + \frac{1}{2} |f(x+) - f(x-)| |S_n[\psi_x](w; x)|,$$

where  $c_3 = 10c_2$ ,  $c_4(x) = c_1(\max\{1, V_{\Phi}(g_x; x, 1)\} + \max\{1, V_{\Phi}(g_x; -1, x)\})$  and  $\Phi^{-1}$  denotes the inverse function of  $\Phi$ .

*Proof.* It is known that, for every positive integer  $j$  and for every subinterval  $[a, b]$  of  $[-1, x]$  (or  $[x, 1]$ ),

$$\nu_j(g_x; a, b) \leq j \Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{j} V_{\Phi}(g_x; a, b) \right)$$

(see [2, p. 537]). Consequently,

$$\frac{1}{n^{1-(A+B)}} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g_x, t_{n-j}, 1)}{j^{1+A+B}} \leq \frac{\max\{V_{\Phi}(g_x; x, 1), 1\}}{n^{1-(A+B)}} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{j^{A+B}} \Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{j} \right).$$

Moreover

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g_x; x, t_j)}{j^2} \leq 8 \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k} \Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{k}{n} V_{\Phi} \left( g_x; x, x + \frac{1-x}{k} \right) \right)$$



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(see [7, Section 3]). Similarly,

$$\frac{\nu_{n-1}(g_x; x, 1)}{n-1} \leq 2\Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{V_\Phi(g_x; x, 1)}{n} \right) \leq 2 \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k} \Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{k}{n} V_\Phi \left( g_x; x, x + \frac{1-x}{k} \right) \right).$$

Analogous estimates for the other terms in the inequality (3.2), corresponding to the interval  $[-1, x]$ , can be obtained as well. Theorem 3.1 and the above estimates give the desired result.  $\square$

*Remark 1.* Since the function  $g_x$  is continuous at the point  $x$ , we have  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} V_\Phi(g_x; x, x+t) = 0$ . Consequently, under the additional assumption,

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \Phi^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{k} \right) < \infty$$

and

$$(3.5) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n[\psi_x](w; x) = 0,$$

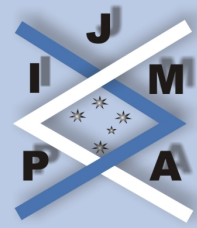
the right-hand side of inequality (3.3) converges to zero as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

In particular, if  $f \in BV_p(I)$  with  $p \geq 1$ , i.e. if  $\Phi(u) = u^p$  for  $u \geq 0$ , then (3.4) holds true. Moreover, the function  $\lambda$  defined as  $\lambda(t) = f(\cos t)$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic and of bounded  $p$ -th power variation on  $[-\pi, \pi]$ . Hence, in view of the theorem of Marcinkiewicz ([5, p. 38]), its  $L^p$ -integral modulus of continuity

$$\omega(\lambda; \delta)_p := \sup_{|h| \leq \delta} \left( \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\lambda(x+h) - \lambda(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}$$

satisfies the inequality

$$\omega(\lambda; \delta)_p \leq \delta^{1/p} V_p(\lambda; 0, 3\pi) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \delta \leq \pi.$$



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Consequently, if  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ , then

$$\omega(\lambda; \delta)_2 \leq \delta^{1/2} V_2(\lambda; 0, 3\pi) \leq \delta^{1/2} (V_p(\lambda; 0, 3\pi))^{2/p},$$

which means that  $\lambda \in \text{Lip}(\frac{1}{2}, 2)$ . Applying now the Freud theorem ([3, V. Theorem 7.5]) we can easily state that in the case of  $f \in BV_p(I)$  with  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ , condition (3.5) holds. So, from Theorem 3.2 we get:

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $w$  be a weight function satisfying  $0 < w(x) \leq M(1 - x^2)^{-1/2}$  for  $x \in (-1, 1)$  ( $M = \text{const.}$ ) and let (1.3), (1.4) be satisfied with  $0 < B < 1/2$ . If  $f \in BV_p(I)$ , where  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ , then  $S_n[f](w; x)$  converges to  $\frac{1}{2}(f(x+) + f(x-))$  at every  $x \in (-1, 1)$ , where  $w$  is continuous.*

From our theorems we can also obtain some results concerning the rate of uniform convergence of  $S_n[f](w; x)$ . Namely, we have:

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let conditions (1.2), (1.3), (1.4) be satisfied with  $A + B < 1$ . If  $f$  is continuous on the interval  $I$  and if  $-1 < a < b < 1$ , then for all  $x \in [a, b]$  and all integers  $n \geq 3$*

$$|S_n[f](w; x) - f(x)| \leq c(a, b, A, B) \left\{ \omega\left(f; \frac{1}{n}\right) \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{1}{k} + \sum_{k=m+1}^n \frac{\nu_k(f; -1, 1)}{k^2} \right\},$$

where  $\omega(f; \delta)$  denotes the modulus of continuity of  $f$  on  $I$ ,  $c(a, b, A, B)$  is a positive constant depending only on  $a, b, A, B$  and  $m$  is an arbitrary integer, such that  $m < n$ .

*Proof.* It is known ([2, 8]) that, for every interval  $[a, b] \subset [-1, 1]$  and for every positive integer  $j$ ,

$$\nu_j(f; a, b) \leq 2j\omega\left(f; \frac{b-a}{j}\right).$$

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Therefore,

$$\nu_j(g_x; s_j, x) \leq 4j\omega\left(f; \frac{1}{n}\right), \quad \nu_j(g_x; x, t_j) \leq 4j\omega\left(f; \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{n^{1-(A+B)}} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\nu_j(g_x, t_{n-j}, 1) + \nu_j(g_x, -1, s_{n-j})}{j^{1+A+B}} \leq \frac{8}{1-(A+B)} \omega\left(f; \frac{1}{n}\right).$$

Using the above estimation and inequality (3.2) we get the desired result.  $\square$

Clearly, Corollary 3.4 yields some criteria for the uniform convergence of orthogonal polynomial expansions on each compact interval contained in  $(-1, 1)$  (cf. [2, 7]).

Finally, let us note that our results can be applied to the Jacobi orthonormal polynomials  $\{p_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}\}$  determined via the Jacobi weight  $w(x) := w^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = (1-x)^\alpha(1+x)^\beta$ , where  $\alpha > -1, \beta > -1$ . In this case, the fulfillment of (1.2) and (1.3) with some  $A, B$  follows from the definition of the weight  $w^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x)$  and from Theorem 8.1 in [3] (Chap. I). Estimate (1.4) can be verified via the known formula

$$\int_x^1 p_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) w^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) dt = \left( \frac{n}{n + \alpha + \beta + 1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{(1-x)^{(\alpha+1)}(1+x)^{(\beta+1)}}{n} p_n^{(\alpha+1, \beta+1)}(x)$$

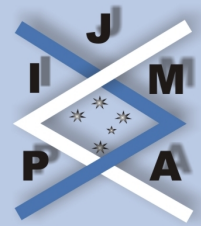
(cf. [6, identity (51)]) and the inequality

$$\left| p_{n-1}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) \right| \leq c(\alpha, \beta) \left( (1-x)^{1/2} + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{-\alpha-1/2} \left( (1+x)^{1/2} + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{-\beta-1/2}$$

(see e.g. [4, inequality (12)]). Moreover, it was stated by R. Bojanic that in the case of the Jacobi polynomials condition (3.5) is satisfied (see [6, estimate (12)]).



In particular, our general estimations given in Theorems 3.1, 3.2 and in Corollary 3.3 remain valid for the Legendre polynomials (see [7]). The rate of pointwise convergence of the Legendre polynomial expansions for functions  $f$  of bounded variation in the Jordan sense on  $I$  (i.e. for  $f \in BV_1(I)$ ) was first obtained in [1].



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