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*Abstract.* In the present paper, we define a new Szász-Mirakjan type operator in exponential weighted spaces for functions of two variables having exponential growth at infinity using a method given by Jakimovski-Leviatan. This operator is a generalization of two variables of an operator defined by A. Ciupa [1]. In this study, we investigate approximation properties and also estimate the rate of convergence for this new operator.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

For a real function of real variable  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , the Szász-Mirakjan operators are defined in [2] as

$$S_n(f; x) = e^{-nx} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)^j}{j!} f\left(\frac{j}{n}\right), \quad x \in [0, \infty),$$

where the convergence of  $S_n(f; x)$  to  $f(x)$  under the exponential growth condition on  $f$  that is  $|f(x)| \leq Ce^{Bx}$ , for all  $x \in [0, \infty)$ , with  $C, B > 0$  was proved. Then, various modifications and further properties of the Szász-Mirakjan operators have been studied intensively by many authors (e.g. [1, 3–9]).

In [4], A. Jakimovski and D. Leviatan investigated approximation properties of a generalization of the Szász-Mirakjan operators which are stated as follows:

Let  $g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be an analytic function in the disk  $|z| < R$ ,  $R > 1$  and suppose  $g(1) \neq 0$ . Define the Appell polynomials  $p_k(x) = p_k(x, g)$  ( $k \geq 0$ ) by

$$g(u)e^{ux} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_k(x)u^k.$$

For each function  $f$  defined in  $[0, \infty)$ , they considered the operators  $L_n$  defined by

$$L_n(f; x) = \frac{e^{-nx}}{g(1)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_k(nx) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right), n > 0$$

and also the authors obtained several approximation properties of these operators. A. Ciupa [1] introduced a Szász-Mirakjan type operator that is a generalization of the operator defined by M. Lesniewicz and L. Rempulska [5] using the method given by Jakimovski-Leviatan. A. Ciupa studied the properties of approximation for functions of one variable in the space of continuous functions having an exponential growth at infinity.

In this paper, inspired by [1], for each function  $f$  defined in  $[0, \infty) \times [0, \infty)$ , we define the operators  $L_{n,m}$  by

$$L_{n,m}(f; x, y) = \frac{e^{-nx} e^{-my}}{(g(1))^2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} p_k(nx) p_j(my) f\left(\frac{k}{n}, \frac{j}{m}\right)$$

where

$$g(u_1) e^{u_1 x} g(u_2) e^{u_2 y} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_k(x) u_1^k \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} p_j(y) u_2^j.$$

Now, we consider the function  $g(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!} = \sinh x$  where  $\sinh x$  is the hyperbolic function of  $x$  and let  $p_k$  be the polynomials generated by relation

$$\sinh u_1 \sinh(u_1 x) \sinh u_2 \sinh(u_2 y) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} p_{2k}(x) p_{2j}(y) u_1^{2k} u_2^{2j}.$$

Using the following equalities

$$\begin{aligned} \sinh u_1 \sinh(u_1 x) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1+x)^{2k} - (1-x)^{2k}}{(2k)!} u_1^{2k} \\ \sinh u_2 \sinh(u_2 y) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1+y)^{2j} - (1-y)^{2j}}{(2j)!} u_2^{2j}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$p_{2k}(x) = \frac{(1+x)^{2k} - (1-x)^{2k}}{2(2k)!}, \quad p_{2j}(y) = \frac{(1+y)^{2j} - (1-y)^{2j}}{2(2j)!}.$$

Let  $C(R_1^2)$  be the set of all real-valued continuous functions of two variables on  $R_1^2 := \{(x, y) : x \geq 1, y \geq 1\}$ .

For  $p, q > 0$  and  $(x, y) \in R_1^2$ , we define

$$w_{p,q}(x, y) = w_p(x) w_q(y) = e^{-px} e^{-qy}$$

$$C_{p,q} = \{f \in C(R_1^2) : w_{p,q}f \text{ is uniformly continuous and bounded on } R_1^2\}$$

$$\|f\|_{p,q} = \sup_{(x,y) \in R_1^2} w_p(x) w_q(y) |f(x, y)|$$

and also for  $h, k \geq 0, \delta \geq 0, f \in C_{p,q}$ , the first order modulus of continuity given by

$$\omega(f, C_{p,q}; \delta) = \sup_{0 \leq h, k \leq \delta} \|\Delta_{h,k} f\|_{p,q}$$

where

$$\Delta_{h,k} f(x, y) = f(x + h, y + k) - f(x, y).$$

In this study, in the space  $C_{p,q}, p, q > 0$ , we introduce the following positive linear operators

$$P_{n,m}(f; x, y) = \frac{1}{(\sinh 1)^2 \sinh(nx) \sinh(my)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} p_{2k}(nx) p_{2j}(my) f\left(\frac{2k}{n}, \frac{2j}{m}\right) \tag{1}$$

$n, m \in \mathbb{N}, (x, y) \in R_1^2$  and investigate the theorems on convergence of  $P_{n,m}(f; x, y)$  operators to functions of two variables. We also estimate the rate of convergence for this new operator by using the modulus of continuity.

## 2. AUXILIARY RESULTS

In this section, we will give some useful results in order to study the convergence of the sequence  $(P_{n,m}f)$  to the function  $f \in C_{p,q}$ .

**Lemma 1.** *If  $(x, y) \in R_1^2$  and  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have*

$$P_{n,m}(e_{0,0}; x, y) = 1$$

$$P_{n,m}(e_{1,0}; x, y) = \frac{1}{n} \coth 1 + x \coth(nx)$$

$$P_{n,m}(e_{0,1}; x, y) = \frac{1}{m} \coth 1 + y \coth(my)$$

$$P_{n,m}(e_{1,0}^2 + e_{0,1}^2; x, y) = (x^2 + y^2) + \left(\frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{m^2}\right) (1 + \coth 1) + (1 + 2 \coth 1) \left(\frac{x}{n} \coth(nx) + \frac{y}{m} \coth(my)\right)$$

where  $e_{i,j}(t_1, t_2) = t_1^i t_2^j; i, j \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $\coth u$  is the hyperbolic function of  $u$ .

**Lemma 2.** *If  $(x, y) \in R_1^2$ ,  $p, q > 0$  and  $n, m \in N$ , then we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{n,m}(e^{pt_1}; x, y) &= \frac{1}{\sinh 1 \sinh(nx)} \sinh(e^{p/n}) \sinh(nxe^{p/n}) \\
 P_{n,m}(e^{qt_2}; x, y) &= \frac{1}{\sinh 1 \sinh(my)} \sinh(e^{q/m}) \sinh(mye^{q/m}) \\
 P_{n,m}(t_1 e^{pt_1}; x, y) &= \frac{e^{p/n}}{n} \frac{1}{\sinh 1 \sinh(nx)} \left\{ \cosh(e^{p/n}) \sinh(nxe^{p/n}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + nx \sinh(e^{p/n}) \cosh(nxe^{p/n}) \right\} \\
 P_{n,m}(t_2 e^{qt_2}; x, y) &= \frac{e^{q/m}}{m} \frac{1}{\sinh 1 \sinh(my)} \left\{ \cosh(e^{q/m}) \sinh(mye^{q/m}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + my \sinh(e^{q/m}) \cosh(mye^{q/m}) \right\} \\
 P_{n,m}(t_1^2 e^{pt_1}; x, y) &= \frac{1}{\sinh 1 \sinh(nx)} \left\{ \frac{e^{2p/n}}{n^2} \sinh(e^{p/n}) \sinh(nxe^{p/n}) \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{2x}{n} e^{2p/n} \cosh(e^{p/n}) \cosh(nxe^{p/n}) + x^2 e^{2p/n} \sinh(e^{p/n}) \sinh(nxe^{p/n}) \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{n^2} e^{p/n} \cosh(e^{p/n}) \sinh(nxe^{p/n}) + \frac{x}{n} e^{p/n} \sinh(e^{p/n}) \cosh(nxe^{p/n}) \right\} \\
 P_{n,m}(t_2^2 e^{qt_2}; x, y) &= \frac{1}{\sinh 1 \sinh(my)} \left\{ \frac{e^{2q/m}}{m^2} \sinh(e^{q/m}) \sinh(mye^{q/m}) \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{2y}{m} e^{2q/m} \cosh(e^{q/m}) \cosh(mye^{q/m}) + y^2 e^{2q/m} \sinh(e^{q/m}) \sinh(mye^{q/m}) \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{m^2} e^{q/m} \cosh(e^{q/m}) \sinh(mye^{q/m}) + \frac{y}{m} e^{q/m} \sinh(e^{q/m}) \cosh(mye^{q/m}) \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 3.** *For all  $(x, y) \in R_1^2$  and  $n, m \in N$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P_{n,m}\left((t_1 - x)^2 e^{pt_1}; x, y\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sinh 1 \sinh nx} \left\{ x^2 \sinh(e^{p/n}) \sinh(nxe^{p/n}) \left[ e^{p/n} - 1 \right]^2 \right. \\
 &\quad + \sinh(nxe^{p/n}) \left[ \frac{e^{2p/n}}{n^2} \sinh(e^{p/n}) + \frac{e^{p/n}}{n^2} \cosh(e^{p/n}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{2x}{n} e^{p/n} \cosh(e^{p/n}) \right] + \cosh(nxe^{p/n}) \left[ \frac{2x}{n} e^{2p/n} \cosh(e^{p/n}) \right. \right.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{x}{n} e^{p/n} \sinh(e^{p/n}) \Big] - 2x^2 e^{p/n} \sinh(e^{p/n}) e^{-nx e^{p/n}} \Big\} \\
 P_{n,m} & \left( (t_2 - y)^2 e^{qt_2}; x, y \right) \\
 & = \frac{1}{\sinh 1 \sinh my} \left\{ y^2 \sinh(e^{q/m}) \sinh(my e^{q/m}) [e^{q/m} - 1]^2 \right. \\
 & + \sinh(my e^{q/m}) \left[ \frac{e^{2q/m}}{m^2} \sinh(e^{q/m}) + \frac{e^{q/m}}{m^2} \cosh(e^{q/m}) \right. \\
 & - \left. \frac{2y}{m} e^{q/m} \cosh(e^{q/m}) \right] + \cosh(my e^{q/m}) \left[ \frac{2y}{m} e^{2q/m} \cosh(e^{q/m}) \right. \\
 & \left. \left. + \frac{y}{m} e^{q/m} \sinh(e^{q/m}) \right] - 2y^2 e^{q/m} \sinh(e^{q/m}) e^{-my e^{q/m}} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 4.** For all  $(x, y) \in R_1^2$  and  $n, m \in N$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{n,m} \left( (t_1 - x)^2; x, y \right) & \leq \frac{3(x + 1)}{n} \\
 P_{n,m} \left( (t_2 - y)^2; x, y \right) & \leq \frac{3(y + 1)}{m}.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* By Lemma 1, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{n,m} \left( (t_1 - x)^2; x, y \right) & = (\coth(nx) - 1) 2x \left( \frac{1}{n} \coth 1 - x \right) + \frac{x}{n} \coth nx \\
 & + \frac{1}{n^2} (1 + \coth 1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus for  $(x, y) \in R_1^2$ , we can write

$$P_{n,m} \left( (t_1 - x)^2; x, y \right) \leq \frac{x - 1}{n} + \frac{2x}{n} + \frac{3}{n^2} \leq \frac{3(x + 1)}{n}.$$

Similarly, we can easily obtain

$$P_{n,m} \left( (t_2 - y)^2; x, y \right) \leq \frac{3(y + 1)}{m}.$$

□

**Lemma 5.** Let  $p, q > 0$ ,  $r > p$ ,  $s > q$  and let  $n_0 = n_0(p, r)$ ,  $m_0 = m_0(q, s)$  be fixed natural numbers such that  $n_0 > p / (\ln r - \ln p)$  and  $m_0 > q / (\ln s - \ln q)$ . Then there exist positive constants  $C_{p,r}$  and  $C_{q,s}$  depending only on  $p, r$  and  $q, s$  such that

$$w_r(x) P_{n,m} \left( (t_1 - x)^2 e^{pt_1}; x, y \right) \leq C_{p,r} \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} \frac{x + 2}{n}$$

$$w_s(y) P_{n,m} \left( (t_2 - y)^2 e^{qt_2}; x, y \right) \leq C_{q,s} \frac{\sinh \left( e^{q/m} \right)}{\sinh 1} \frac{y + 2}{m}$$

for all  $(x, y) \in R_1^2$  and  $n \geq n_0, m \geq m_0$ .

*Proof.* Firstly, for  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we consider the sequence of real numbers  $(p_n)$  and  $(q_m)$ ,

$$p_n = n \left( e^{p/n} + 1 \right) \quad (2.1)$$

$$q_m = m \left( e^{q/m} + 1 \right) \quad (2.2)$$

which are decreasing and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = p, \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} q_m = q$ . Thus

$$p < p_n < p e^{p/n} \leq p e^p \quad (2.3)$$

$$q < q_m < q e^{q/m} \leq q e^q \quad (2.4)$$

Since  $n_0 > p / (\ln r - \ln p)$ , we have  $e^{p/n_0} < e^{\ln(r/p)} = r/p$  and  $r > p e^{p/n_0} > p_{n_0} > p_n$  for  $n \geq n_0$ . Also, because  $m_0 > q / (\ln s - \ln q)$ , we get  $e^{q/m_0} < e^{\ln(s/q)} = s/q$  and  $s > q e^{q/m_0} > q_{m_0} > q_m$  for  $m \geq m_0$ .

Applying 2.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sinh \left( n x e^{p/n} \right) (\sinh n x)^{-1} &\leq 2 e^{p_n x} \\ \cosh \left( n x e^{p/n} \right) (\sinh n x)^{-1} &\leq e^{p_n x} \\ x^2 (\sinh n x)^{-1} &\leq \frac{x}{n}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

Also using 2.2, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sinh \left( m y e^{q/m} \right) (\sinh m y)^{-1} &\leq 2 e^{q_m y} \\ \cosh \left( m y e^{q/m} \right) (\sinh m y)^{-1} &\leq e^{q_m y} \\ y^2 (\sinh m y)^{-1} &\leq \frac{y}{m}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

By writing the last inequalities in Lemma 2, we get respectively

$$\begin{aligned} P_{n,m} \left( e^{pt_1}; x, y \right) &\leq \frac{\sinh \left( e^{p/n} \right)}{\sinh 1} 2 e^{p_n x} \\ P_{n,m} \left( e^{qt_2}; x, y \right) &\leq \frac{\sinh \left( e^{q/m} \right)}{\sinh 1} 2 e^{q_m y} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|P_{n,m}(e^{pt_1}; x, y)\|_r \leq \sup \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} 2e^{(p_n-r)x}$$

$$\|P_{n,m}(e^{qt_2}; x, y)\|_s \leq \sup \frac{\sinh(e^{q/m})}{\sinh 1} 2e^{(q_m-s)y}.$$

Taking into account Lemma 3 and 2.5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &P_{n,m}\left((t_1-x)^2 e^{pt_1}; x, y\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\sinh 1} \left\{ 2x^2 e^{p_n x} \frac{p_n^2}{n^2} \sinh(e^{p/n}) + \frac{2x}{n} \sinh(e^{p/n}) e^{\frac{p}{n}-nx} e^{p/n} \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{2}{n^2} e^{p_n x} e^{2p/n} \sinh(e^{p/n}) + \frac{2}{n^2} e^{p_n x} e^{p/n} \cosh(e^{p/n}) \\ &\quad - \frac{4x}{n} e^{p_n x} e^{p/n} \cosh(e^{p/n}) + \frac{2x}{n} e^{p_n x} e^{2p/n} \cosh(e^{p/n}) \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{x}{n} e^{p_n x} e^{p/n} \sinh(e^{p/n}) \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} \left\{ 2x^2 \frac{p_n^2}{n^2} e^{p_n x} + \frac{2x}{n} e^{p/n} + \frac{2}{n^2} e^{p_n x} e^{2p/n} \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{2}{n^2} e^{p_n x} e^{p/n} \coth(e^{p/n}) + \frac{2x}{n} e^{p_n x} e^{2p/n} \coth(e^{p/n}) \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{x}{n} e^{p_n x} e^{p/n} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\coth(e^{p/n}) \leq \coth 1 < 2$  and  $e^{p/n} < e^p$ , we can write

$$\begin{aligned} P_{n,m}\left((t_1-x)^2 e^{pt_1}; x, y\right) &\leq \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} \left\{ \frac{2x^2}{n^2} p_n^2 e^{p_n x} + \frac{2x}{n} e^p + \frac{2}{n^2} e^{p_n x} e^{2p} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{4}{n^2} e^{p_n x} e^p + \frac{4x}{n} e^{p_n x} e^{2p} + \frac{x}{n} e^{p_n x} e^p \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Say  $w_r(x) = e^{-rx}$ . Thus, we get

$$\begin{aligned} w_r(x) P_{n,m}\left((t_1-x)^2 e^{pt_1}; x, y\right) &\leq \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} \left\{ \frac{2x}{n} e^{(p_n-r)x} \left( \frac{x}{n} p_n^2 + \frac{e^p}{2} + 2e^{2p} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{2x}{n} e^{p-rx} + \frac{2}{n^2} e^{(p_n-r)x} (e^{2p} + 2e^p) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$



Now, by using 2.1 and inequalities

$$\frac{x}{n} p_n^2 < \frac{x}{n} p^2 e^{2p/n} < x p^2 e^{2p},$$

it follows

$$\begin{aligned} & w_r(x) P_{n,m} \left( (t_1 - x)^2 e^{pt_1}; x, y \right) \\ & \leq \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} \left\{ \frac{2x}{n} e^{(p_n-r)x} \left( x p^2 e^{2p} + \frac{e^p}{2} + 2e^{2p} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{2x}{n} e^p + \frac{2}{n^2} e^{(p_n-r)x} (e^{2p} + 2e^p) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have  $r - p_n \geq r - p_{n_0} > 0$  and  $x e^{-(r-p_n)x} \leq x e^{-(r-p_{n_0})x} \leq 1/(r - p_{n_0})$  for  $n \geq n_0$ . Applying  $e^{(p_n-r)x} < 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & w_r(x) P_{n,m} \left( (t_1 - x)^2 e^{pt_1}; x, y \right) \\ & \leq \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} \left\{ \frac{2}{n} \frac{1}{r - p_{n_0}} \left( x p^2 e^{2p} + 2e^{2p} + \frac{e^p}{2} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{2x}{n} e^p + \frac{2}{n^2} (e^{2p} + 2e^p) \right\} \\ & \leq \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} \left\{ \frac{2x}{n} \frac{e^{2p}}{r - p_{n_0}} p^2 + \frac{2}{n} \frac{1}{r - p_{n_0}} \left( 2e^{2p} + \frac{e^p}{2} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{2x}{n} e^p + \frac{2}{n^2} (e^{2p} + 2e^p) \right\} \\ & \leq C_{p,r} \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} \frac{x+2}{n}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly as above, applying 2.6 to Lemma 3, by simple calculations we easily obtain the required inequality

$$w_s(y) P_{n,m} \left( (t_2 - y)^2 e^{qt_2}; x, y \right) \leq C_{q,s} \frac{\sinh(e^{q/m})}{\sinh 1} \frac{y+2}{m}.$$

□

**Lemma 6.** *If  $p, q > 0$ ,  $r > p$ ,  $s > q$  and  $n_0 = n_0(p, r)$ ,  $m_0 = m_0(q, s)$  be fixed natural numbers such that  $n_0 > p/(\ln r - \ln p)$ ,  $m_0 > q/(\ln s - \ln q)$  and if  $f \in C_{p,q}$ , then we have*

$$\|P_{n,m}(f; x, y)\|_{r,s} \leq 2 \|f\|_{p,q} \frac{\sinh(e^p) \sinh(e^q)}{(\sinh 1)^2}.$$

*Proof.* By (1), we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 & e^{-rx} e^{-sy} |P_{n,m}(f;x,y)| \\
 &= \frac{e^{-rx} e^{-sy}}{(\sinh 1)^2 \sinh(nx) \sinh(my)} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} p_{2k}(nx) p_{2j}(my) e^{-\frac{2kp}{n}} e^{-\frac{2jq}{m}} \right. \\
 & \cdot \left. f\left(\frac{2k}{n}, \frac{2j}{m}\right) e^{\frac{2kp}{n}} e^{\frac{2jq}{m}} \right|.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|f\|_{p,q} = \sup_{(x,y) \in R_1^2} e^{-px} e^{-qy} |f(x,y)|$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & e^{-rx} e^{-sy} |P_{n,m}(f;x,y)| \\
 & \leq \frac{e^{-rx} e^{-sy}}{(\sinh 1)^2 \sinh(nx) \sinh(my)} \|f\|_{p,q} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} p_{2k}(nx) p_{2j}(my) e^{\frac{2kp}{n}} e^{\frac{2jq}{m}} \\
 & = e^{-rx} e^{-sy} \|f\|_{p,q} P_{n,m}(e^{pt_1};x,y) P_{n,m}(e^{qt_2};x,y) \\
 & = e^{-rx} e^{-sy} \|f\|_{p,q} \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n}) \sinh(nx e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1 \sinh(nx)} \frac{\sinh(e^{q/m}) \sinh(my e^{q/m})}{\sinh 1 \sinh(my)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the notations in Lemma 5, the inequalities (2.5) and (2.6), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{-rx} e^{-sy} |P_{n,m}(f;x,y)| & \leq \|f\|_{p,q} e^{-rx} e^{-sy} \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n})}{\sinh 1} 2e^{pnx} \frac{\sinh(e^{q/m})}{\sinh 1} 2e^{qmy} \\
 & = 4 \|f\|_{p,q} e^{-x(r-pn)} e^{-y(s-qm)} \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n}) \sinh(e^{q/m})}{(\sinh 1)^2} \\
 & \leq 4 \|f\|_{p,q} \frac{\sinh(e^p) \sinh(e^q)}{(\sinh 1)^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

### 3. APPROXIMATION BY $P_{n,m}$ OPERATORS

In this section, we give theorems on the degree of approximation of functions of two variables by these operators.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $p, q > 0$ ,  $r > p$ ,  $s > q$  and  $n_0 = n_0(p, r)$ ,  $m_0 = m_0(q, s)$  be fixed natural numbers such that  $n_0 > p / (\ln r - \ln p)$  and  $m_0 > q / (\ln s - \ln q)$ . If  $f \in C_{p,q}^1$ , where  $C_{p,q}^1 = \{f \in C_{p,q} : f_x, f_y \in C_{p,q}\}$ , then there exists a positive constant  $M_{p,q,r,s}$  depending only on  $p, q, r, s$  such that

$$w_{r,s}(x,y) |P_{n,m}(f;x,y) - f(x,y)| \\ \leq M_{p,q,r,s} \left\{ \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right\|_{p,q} \sqrt{\frac{x+2}{n}} + \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\|_{p,q} \sqrt{\frac{y+2}{m}} \right\}$$

*Proof.* Let  $(x, y)$  be a fixed point in  $R_1^2$ . For  $f \in C_{p,q}^1$  and  $(t_1, t_2) \in R_1^2$  we have

$$f(t_1, t_2) - f(x, y) = \int_x^{t_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(u, t_2) du + \int_y^{t_2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}(x, v) dv.$$

Using  $P_{n,m}(1;x,y) = 1$ , it results that

$$P_{n,m}(f(t_1, t_2); x, y) - f(x, y) \\ = P_{n,m} \left( \int_x^{t_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(u, t_2) du; x, y \right) + P_{n,m} \left( \int_y^{t_2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}(x, v) dv; x, y \right).$$

For  $r > p, s > q$  and  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$w_{r,s}(x,y) |P_{n,m}(f(t_1, t_2); x, y) - f(x, y)| \\ \leq w_{r,s}(x,y) P_{n,m} \left( \left| \int_x^{t_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(u, t_2) du \right|; x, y \right) \\ + w_{r,s}(x,y) P_{n,m} \left( \left| \int_y^{t_2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}(x, v) dv \right|; x, y \right).$$

By using the following inequalities

$$\left| \int_x^{t_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(u, t_2) du \right| \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right\|_{p,q} \left| \int_x^{t_1} \frac{1}{w_{p,q}(u, t_2)} du \right| \\ \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right\|_{p,q} \frac{1}{w_q(t_2)} \left( \frac{1}{w_p(t_1)} + \frac{1}{w_p(x)} \right) |t_1 - x|, \\ \left| \int_y^{t_2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}(x, v) dv \right| \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\|_{p,q} \left| \int_y^{t_2} \frac{1}{w_{p,q}(x, v)} dv \right| \\ \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\|_{p,q} \frac{1}{w_p(x)} \left( \frac{1}{w_q(t_2)} + \frac{1}{w_q(y)} \right) |t_2 - y|$$

and Hölder inequality, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} & w_{r,s}(x,y) P_{n,m} \left( \left| \int_x^{t_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(u,t_2) du \right| ; x,y \right) \\ & \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right\|_{p,q} w_{r,s}(x,y) P_{n,m} \left( \frac{1}{w_q(t_2)} ; x,y \right) \left\{ P_{n,m} \left( \frac{|t_1-x|}{w_p(t_1)} ; x,y \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{1}{w_p(x)} P_{n,m}(|t_1-x|; x,y) \right\} \\ & \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right\|_{p,q} \left\{ \left[ w_r(x) P_{n,m} \left( (t_1-x)^2 e^{pt_1}; x,y \right) \right]^{1/2} \left[ w_r(x) P_{n,m} \left( e^{pt_1}; x,y \right) \right]^{1/2} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + e^{(p-r)x} \left[ P_{n,m} \left( (t_1-x)^2; x,y \right) \right]^{1/2} \right\} w_s(y) P_{n,m} \left( e^{qt_2}; x,y \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & w_{r,s}(x,y) P_{n,m} \left( \left| \int_y^{t_2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}(x,v) dv \right| ; x,y \right) \\ & \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\|_{p,q} \frac{w_r(x)}{w_p(x)} P_{n,m}(1; x,y) w_s(y) \left\{ P_{n,m} \left( \frac{|t_2-y|}{w_q(t_2)} ; x,y \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{1}{w_q(y)} P_{n,m}(|t_2-y|; x,y) \right\} \\ & \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\|_{p,q} \left\{ \left[ w_s(y) P_{n,m} \left( (t_2-y)^2 e^{qt_2}; x,y \right) \right]^{1/2} \right. \\ & \quad \left. \cdot \left[ w_s(y) P_{n,m} \left( e^{qt_2}; x,y \right) \right]^{1/2} + \left[ P_{n,m} \left( (t_2-y)^2; x,y \right) \right]^{1/2} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying the inequalities 2.5 and 2.6 to Lemma 2, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} w_r(x) P_{n,m} \left( e^{pt_1}; x,y \right) & \leq e^{-rx} \frac{\sinh \left( e^{p/n} \right)}{\sinh 1} 2e^{pnx} \\ & = 2 \frac{\sinh \left( e^{p/n} \right)}{\sinh 1} e^{-x(r-pn)} \\ & \leq 2 \frac{\sinh \left( e^{p/n} \right)}{\sinh 1} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$w_s(y) P_{n,m} \left( e^{qt_2}; x,y \right) \leq e^{-sy} \frac{\sinh \left( e^{q/m} \right)}{\sinh 1} 2e^{qmy}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2 \frac{\sinh(e^{q/m})}{\sinh 1} e^{-y(s-q_m)} \\
&\leq 2 \frac{\sinh(e^{q/m})}{\sinh 1}.
\end{aligned}$$

By these inequalities, Lemma 5 and Lemma 4, we get to

$$\begin{aligned}
&w_{r,s}(x, y) P_{n,m} \left( \left| \int_x^{t_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}(u, t_2) du \right| ; x, y \right) \\
&\leq 2 \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right\|_{p,q} \frac{\sinh(e^{p/n}) \sinh(e^{q/m})}{(\sinh 1)^2} \sqrt{2C_{p,r} \frac{x+2}{n}} \\
&+ 2 \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right\|_{p,q} \frac{\sinh(e^{q/m})}{\sinh 1} e^{-x(r-p)} \sqrt{\frac{3(x+1)}{n}} \\
&\leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right\|_{p,q} M_{p,r} \sqrt{\frac{x+2}{n}},
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
&w_{r,s}(x, y) P_{n,m} \left( \left| \int_y^{t_2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}(x, v) dv \right| ; x, y \right) \\
&\leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\|_{p,q} \frac{\sinh(e^{q/m})}{\sinh 1} \sqrt{2C_{q,s} \frac{y+2}{m}} + \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\|_{p,q} \sqrt{\frac{3(y+1)}{m}} \\
&\leq \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\|_{p,q} M_{q,s} \sqrt{\frac{y+2}{m}}
\end{aligned}$$

for all  $m \geq m_0$  and  $n \geq n_0$ . This proves the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** Suppose that  $f \in C_{p,q}$  and  $p, r, q, s, n_0, m_0$  satisfy the conditions of Theorem 1. Then there exists positive constant  $M^* = M_{p,q,r,s}$  depending only on  $p, q, r, s$  such that

$$w_{r,s}(x, y) |P_{n,m}(f; x, y) - f(x, y)| \leq M^* \omega \left( f, C_{p,q}; \left( \frac{x+2}{n} \right)^{1/2}, \left( \frac{y+2}{m} \right)^{1/2} \right)$$

for all  $(x, y) \in R_1^2$  and  $m \geq m_0, n \geq n_0$ .

*Proof.* Similarly as in [5], we consider the Steklov means for  $f \in C_{p,q}$

$$f_{h,\delta}(x,y) = \frac{1}{h\delta} \int_0^h \int_0^\delta f(x+u,y+v) dudv, \quad h,\delta > 0, (x,y) \in R_1^2.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} f_{h,\delta}(x,y) - f(x,y) &= \frac{1}{h\delta} \int_0^h \int_0^\delta \Delta_{u,v} f(x,y) dudv, \\ \frac{\partial f_{h,\delta}}{\partial x}(x,y) &= \frac{1}{h\delta} \int_0^\delta (f(x+h,y+v) - f(x,y+v)) dv, \\ \frac{\partial f_{h,\delta}}{\partial y}(x,y) &= \frac{1}{h\delta} \int_0^h (f(x+u,y+\delta) - f(x+u,y)) du, \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $f_{h,\delta} \in C_{p,q}^1$  ( $h,\delta > 0$ ) and

$$\|f_{h,\delta} - f\|_{p,q} \leq w(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\partial f_{h,\delta}}{\partial x} \right\|_{p,q} &\leq \sup_{(x,y) \in R_1^2} w_{p,q}(x,y) \frac{1}{h\delta} \int_0^\delta (|\Delta_{h,v} f(x,y)| + |\Delta_{0,v} f(x,y)|) dv \\ &\leq \frac{2}{h} w(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\left\| \frac{\partial f_{h,\delta}}{\partial y} \right\|_{p,q} \leq \frac{2}{\delta} w(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta)$$

for  $h,\delta > 0$ .

For every fixed  $(x,y) \in R_1^2$ ,  $r > p$ ,  $s > q$  and  $n,m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $h,\delta > 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} &w_{r,s}(x,y) |P_{n,m}(f;x,y) - f(x,y)| \\ &\leq w_{r,s}(x,y) \{ |P_{n,m}(f - f_{h,\delta};x,y)| \\ &\quad + |P_{n,m}(f_{h,\delta};x,y) - f_{h,\delta}(x,y)| + |f_{h,\delta}(x,y) - f(x,y)| \}. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 5, one obtains

$$w_{r,s}(x,y) |P_{n,m}(f - f_{h,\delta};x,y)| \leq 4w(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta)$$

for all  $m \geq m_0$  and  $n \geq n_0$ . Since Theorem 1, we can write

$$w_{r,s}(x,y) |P_{n,m}(f_{h,\delta};x,y) - f_{h,\delta}(x,y)|$$

$$\leq M_{p,q,r,s} w(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta) \left\{ \frac{1}{h} \sqrt{\frac{x+2}{n}} + \frac{1}{\delta} \sqrt{\frac{y+2}{m}} \right\}$$

for  $m \geq m_0, n \geq n_0$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & w_{r,s}(x, y) |P_{n,m}(f; x, y) - f(x, y)| \\ & \leq 4w(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta) + M_{p,q,r,s} w(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta) \left\{ \frac{1}{h} \sqrt{\frac{x+2}{n}} + \frac{1}{\delta} \sqrt{\frac{y+2}{m}} \right\} \\ & \quad + w_{r,s}(x, y) |f_{h,\delta}(x, y) - f(x, y)| \\ & \leq w(f, C_{p,q}; h, \delta) \left( 5 + M_{p,q,r,s} \left\{ \frac{1}{h} \sqrt{\frac{x+2}{n}} + \frac{1}{\delta} \sqrt{\frac{y+2}{m}} \right\} \right) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $h, \delta > 0$  and  $m \geq m_0, n \geq n_0$ . Setting  $h = \sqrt{\frac{x+2}{n}}, \delta = \sqrt{\frac{y+2}{m}}$  we obtain the desired result.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** *If  $f \in C_{p,q}$ , then for all  $(x, y) \in R_1^2$*

$$\lim_{m,n \rightarrow \infty} P_{n,m}(f; x, y) = f(x, y).$$

Also, the convergence is uniform on every rectangle  $1 \leq x \leq a, 1 \leq y \leq b$ .

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