

# Approximation by Lupaş–Kantorovich Operators



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**Abstract** The present article deals with the approximation properties of certain Lupaş-Kantorovich operators preserving  $e^{-x}$ . We obtain uniform convergence estimates which also include an asymptotic formula in quantitative sense. In the end, we provide the estimates for another modification of such operators, which preserve the function  $e^{-2x}$ .

## Introduction

In the year 1995, Lupaş [9] proposed the Lupaş operators:

$$L_n(f, x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-nx} (nx)_k}{k! 2^k} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right),$$

where  $(nx)_k$  is the rising factorial given by

$$(nx)_k = nx(nx+1)(nx+2)\cdots(nx+k-1), \quad (nx)_0 = 1.$$

Four years later, Agratini [2] introduced the Kantorovich-type generalization of the operators  $L_n$ . After a decade Erençin and Taşdelen [4] considered a generalization of the operators discussed in [2] based on some parameters and established some approximation properties. We start here with the Kantorovich variant of Lupaş operators defined by

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$$K_n(f, x) = n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-na_n(x)}(na_n(x))_k}{k!2^k} \int_{k/n}^{(k+1)/n} f(t)dt \tag{1}$$

with the hypothesis that these operators preserve the function  $e^{-x}$ . Then using

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k}{k!} z^k = (1 - z)^{-a}, \quad |z| < 1,$$

we write

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-x} &= n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-na_n(x)}(na_n(x))_k}{k!2^k} \int_{k/n}^{(k+1)/n} e^{-t} dt \\ &= n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-na_n(x)}(na_n(x))_k}{k!2^k} e^{-k/n} (1 - e^{-1/n}) \\ &= n(1 - e^{-1/n})(2 - e^{-1/n})^{-na_n(x)}, \end{aligned}$$

which concludes

$$a_n(x) = \frac{x + \ln(n(1 - e^{-1/n}))}{n \ln(2 - e^{-1/n})}. \tag{2}$$

Therefore the operators defined by (1) take the following alternate form

$$\begin{aligned} K_n(f, x) &= n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!2^k} 2^{-\frac{x + \ln(n(1 - e^{-1/n}))}{\ln(2 - e^{-1/n})}} \left( \frac{x + \ln(n(1 - e^{-1/n}))}{\ln(2 - e^{-1/n})} \right)_k \\ &\quad \int_{k/n}^{(k+1)/n} f(t)dt. \end{aligned}$$

These operators preserve constant and the function  $e^{-x}$ . The quantitative direct estimate for a sequence of linear positive operators was discussed and proved in [8] as the following result:

**Theorem A ([8])** *If a sequence of linear positive operators  $L_n : C^*[0, \infty) \rightarrow C^*[0, \infty)$ , (where  $C^*[0, \infty)$  be the subspace of all real-valued continuous functions, which has finite limit at infinity) satisfy the equalities*

$$\begin{aligned} \|L_n(e_0) - 1\|_{[0, \infty)} &= \alpha_n \\ \|L_n(e^{-t}) - e^{-x}\|_{[0, \infty)} &= \beta_n \\ \|L_n(e^{-2t}) - e^{-2x}\|_{[0, \infty)} &= \gamma_n \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\|L_n f - f\|_{[0, \infty)} \leq 2\omega^* \left( f, \sqrt{\alpha_n + 2\beta_n + \gamma_n} \right), \quad f \in C^*[0, \infty),$$

where the norm is the uniform norm and the modulus of continuity is defined by

$$\omega^*(f, \delta) = \sup_{|e^{-x} - e^{-t}| \leq \delta, x, t > 0} |f(t) - f(x)|.$$

Very recently Acar et al. [1] used the above theorem and established quantitative estimates for the modification of well-known Szász–Mirakyan operators, which preserve the function  $e^{2ax}$ ,  $a > 0$ . Actually such a modification may be important to discuss approximation properties, but if the operators preserve  $e^{-x}$  or  $e^{-2x}$ , then such results may provide better approximation in the sense of reducing the error. In the present paper, we study Kantorovich variant of Lupaş operators defined by (1) with  $a_n(x)$  as given by (2) preserving  $e^{-x}$ . We calculate a uniform estimate and establish a quantitative asymptotic result for the modified operators.

### Auxiliary Results

In order to prove the main results, the following lemmas are required.

**Lemma 1** *The following representation holds*

$$K_n(e^{At}, x) = \frac{n(e^{A/n} - 1)}{A} (2 - e^{A/n})^{-na_n(x)}.$$

*Proof* We have

$$\begin{aligned} K_n(e^{At}, x) &= n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-na_n(x)} (na_n(x))_k}{k! 2^k} \int_{k/n}^{(k+1)/n} e^{At} dt \\ &= n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-na_n(x)} (na_n(x))_k}{k! 2^k} \left[ e^{At} (e^{A/n} - 1) \right] \\ &= \frac{n(e^{A/n} - 1)}{A} (2 - e^{A/n})^{-na_n(x)}. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 2** *If  $e_r(t) = t^r$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{N}^0$ , then the moments of the operators (1) are given as follows:*

$$\begin{aligned} K_n(e_0, x) &= 1, \\ K_n(e_1, x) &= a_n(x) + \frac{1}{2n}, \end{aligned}$$

$$K_n(e_2, x) = (a_n(x))^2 + \frac{3a_n(x)}{n} + \frac{1}{3n^2},$$

$$K_n(e_3, x) = (a_n(x))^3 + \frac{15(a_n(x))^2}{2n} + \frac{10a_n(x)}{n^2} + \frac{1}{4n^3},$$

$$K_n(e_4, x) = (a_n(x))^4 + \frac{14(a_n(x))^3}{n} + \frac{50(a_n(x))^2}{n^2} + \frac{53a_n(x)}{n^3} + \frac{1}{5n^4}.$$

**Lemma 3** *If  $\mu_{n,m}(x) = K_n((t - x)^m, x)$ , then by using Lemma 2, we have*

$$\mu_{n,0}(x) = 1,$$

$$\mu_{n,1}(x) = a_n(x) + \frac{1}{2n} - x,$$

$$\mu_{n,2}(x) = (a_n(x) - x)^2 + \frac{3a_n(x)}{n} - \frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{3n^2},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{n,4}(x) = & (a_n(x) - x)^4 + \frac{14(a_n(x))^3 - 30x(a_n(x))^2 + 18x^2a_n(x) - 2x^3}{n} \\ & + \frac{50(a_n(x))^2 - 40xa_n(x) + 2x^2}{n^2} + \frac{53a_n(x) - x}{n^3} + \frac{1}{5n^4}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left[ \frac{x + \ln(n(1 - e^{-1/n}))}{n \ln(2 - e^{-1/n})} + \frac{1}{2n} - x \right] = x$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left[ \left( \frac{x + \ln(n(1 - e^{-1/n}))}{n \ln(2 - e^{-1/n})} - x \right)^2 + \frac{3[x + \ln(n(1 - e^{-1/n}))]}{n^2 \ln(2 - e^{-1/n})} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{3n^2} \right] = 2x. \end{aligned}$$

### Main Results

In this section, we present the quantitative estimates.

**Theorem 1** *For  $f \in C^*[0, \infty)$ , we have*

$$\|K_n f - f\|_{[0, \infty)} \leq 2\omega^*(f, \sqrt{\gamma_n}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_n &= \|K_n(e^{-2t}) - e^{-2x}\|_{[0,\infty)} \\ &= \left\| \frac{2xe^{-2x}}{n} + \frac{(24x^2 - 48x - 11)e^{-2x}}{12n^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{n^3}\right) \right\|_{[0,\infty)}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof* The operators  $K_n$  preserve the constant and  $e^{-x}$ . Thus  $\alpha_n = \beta_n = 0$ . We only have to evaluate  $\gamma_n$ . In view of Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} K_n(e^{-2t}, x) &= n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-na_n(x)}(na_n(x))^k}{k!2^k} \int_{k/n}^{(k+1)/n} e^{-2t} dt \\ &= \frac{n(1 - e^{-2/n})}{2} \left(2 - e^{-2/n}\right)^{-na_n(x)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $a_n(x)$  is given as

$$a_n(x) = \frac{x + \ln(n(1 - e^{-1/n}))}{n \ln(2 - e^{-1/n})}.$$

Thus using the software Mathematica, we get at once

$$\begin{aligned} K_n(e^{-2t}, x) &= \frac{n(1 - e^{-2/n})}{2} \left(2 - e^{-2/n}\right)^{\left[-\frac{x + \ln(n(1 - e^{-1/n}))}{\ln(2 - e^{-1/n})}\right]} \\ &= e^{-2x} + \frac{2xe^{-2x}}{n} + \frac{(24x^2 - 48x - 11)e^{-2x}}{12n^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{n^3}\right). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

**Theorem 2** Let  $f, f'' \in C^*[0, \infty)$ . Then the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} &|n [K_n(f, x) - f(x)] - x[f'(x) + f''(x)]| \\ &\leq |p_n(x)||f'| + |q_n(x)||f''| + 2(2q_n(x) + 2x + r_n(x)) \omega^*(f'', n^{-1/2}) \end{aligned}$$

holds for any  $x \in [0, \infty)$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} p_n(x) &= n\mu_{n,1}(x) - x, \\ q_n(x) &= \frac{1}{2} (n\mu_{n,2}(x) - 2x), \\ r_n(x) &= n^2 \sqrt{K_n((e^{-x} - e^{-t})^4, x)} \sqrt{\mu_{n,4}(x)}, \end{aligned}$$

and  $\mu_{n,1}(x)$ ,  $\mu_{n,2}(x)$ , and  $\mu_{n,4}(x)$  are given in Lemma 3.

*Proof* By Taylor’s expansion, we have

$$f(t) = f(x) + (t - x)f'(x) + \frac{1}{2}(t - x)^2 f''(x) + \varepsilon(t, x)(t - x)^2, \tag{3}$$

where

$$\varepsilon(t, x) = \frac{f''(\eta) - f''(x)}{2}$$

and  $\eta$  is a number lying between  $x$  and  $t$ . If we apply the operator  $K_n$  to both sides of (3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| K_n(f, x) - f(x) - \mu_{n,1}(x)f'(x) - \frac{1}{2}\mu_{n,2}(x)f''(x) \right| \\ & \leq |K_n(\varepsilon(t, x)(t - x)^2, x)|, \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemma 2, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & |n[K_n(f, x) - f(x)] - x[f'(x) + f''(x)]| \\ & \leq |n\mu_{n,1}(x) - x| |f'(x)| + \frac{1}{2} |n\mu_{n,2}(x) - 2x| |f''(x)| \\ & \quad + |nK_n(\varepsilon(t, x)(t - x)^2, x)|. \end{aligned}$$

Put  $p_n(x) := n\mu_{n,1}(x) - x$  and  $q_n(x) := \frac{1}{2}[n\mu_{n,2}(x) - 2x]$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & |n[K_n(f, x) - f(x)] - x[f'(x) + f''(x)]| \\ & \leq |p_n(x)| \cdot |f'(x)| + |q_n(x)| \cdot |f''(x)| + |nK_n(\varepsilon(t, x)(t - x)^2, x)|. \end{aligned}$$

In order to complete the proof of the theorem, we must estimate the term  $|nK_n(\varepsilon(t, x)(t - x)^2, x)|$ . Using the property

$$|f(t) - f(x)| \leq \left( 1 + \frac{(e^{-t} - e^{-x})^2}{\delta^2} \right) \omega^*(f, \delta), \delta > 0,$$

we get

$$|\varepsilon(t, x)| \leq \left( 1 + \frac{(e^{-t} - e^{-x})^2}{\delta^2} \right) \omega^*(f'', \delta).$$

For  $|e^{-x} - e^{-t}| \leq \delta$ , one has  $|\varepsilon(t, x)| \leq 2\omega^*(f'', \delta)$ . In case  $|e^{-x} - e^{-t}| > \delta$ , then  $|\varepsilon(t, x)| < 2\frac{(e^{-x}-e^{-t})^2}{\delta^2}\omega^*(f'', \delta)$ . Thus

$$|\varepsilon(t, x)| \leq 2 \left( 1 + \frac{(e^{-x} - e^{-t})^2}{\delta^2} \omega^*(f'', \delta) \right).$$

Obviously using this and Cauchy–Schwarz inequality after choosing  $\delta = n^{-1/2}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} nK_n(|\varepsilon(t, x)|(t - x)^2, x) &\leq 2\omega^*(f''(x), n^{-1/2}) [n\mu_{n,2}(x) + r_n(x)] \\ &= 2\omega^*(f''(x), n^{-1/2}) [2q_n(x) + 2x + r_n(x)], \end{aligned}$$

where  $r_n(x) = n^2[K_n((e^{-x} - e^{-t})^4, x) \cdot \mu_{n,4}(x)]^{1/2}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} K_n((e^{-x} - e^{-t})^4, x) &= -\frac{n}{4}(e^{-4/n} - 1)(2 - e^{-4/n})^{-na_n(x)} \\ &\quad + \frac{4n}{3}e^{-x}(e^{-3/n} - 1)(2 - e^{-3/n})^{-na_n(x)} \\ &\quad - 3ne^{-2x}(e^{-2/n} - 1)(2 - e^{-2/n})^{-na_n(x)} \\ &\quad + 4ne^{-3x}(e^{-1/n} - 1)(2 - e^{-1/n})^{-na_n(x)} + e^{-4x}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the result.

*Remark 1* From the Lemma 3,  $p_n(x) \rightarrow 0, q_n(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and using Mathematica, we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 \mu_{n,4}(x) = 12x^2.$$

Furthermore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 K_n \left( (e^{-t} - e^{-x})^4, x \right) = 12e^{-4x} x^2.$$

Thus in the above Theorem 2, convergence occurs for sufficiently large  $n$ .

**Corollary 1** *Let  $f, f'' \in C^*[0, \infty)$ . Then, the inequality*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n [K_n(f, x) - f(x)] = x[f'(x) + f''(x)]$$

*holds for any  $x \in [0, \infty)$ .*

*Remark 2* In case the operators (1) preserve the function  $e^{-2x}$ , then in that case using Lemma 1, we have

$$e^{-2x} = \frac{n(1 - e^{-2/n})}{2} \left(2 - e^{-2/n}\right)^{-na_n(x)},$$

which implies

$$a_n(x) = \frac{2x + \ln\left(\frac{n(1 - e^{-2/n})}{2}\right)}{n \ln(2 - e^{-2/n})} \tag{4}$$

Also, for this preservation corresponding limits of Lemma 3 takes the following forms:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left[ \frac{2x + \ln\left(\frac{n(1 - e^{-2/n})}{2}\right)}{n \ln(2 - e^{-2/n})} + \frac{1}{2n} - x \right] = 2x$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left[ \left( \frac{2x + \ln\left(\frac{n(1 - e^{-2/n})}{2}\right)}{n \ln(2 - e^{-2/n})} - x \right)^2 + \frac{3(2x + \ln\left(\frac{n(1 - e^{-2/n})}{2}\right))}{n^2 \ln(2 - e^{-2/n})} - \frac{x}{n} + \frac{1}{3n^2} \right] = 2x$$

and we have the following Theorems 1 and 2 and Corollary 1 taking the following forms:

**Theorem 3** For  $f \in C^*[0, \infty)$ , we have

$$\|K_n f - f\|_{[0, \infty)} \leq 2\omega^*\left(f, \sqrt{2\beta_n}\right),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_n &= \|K_n(e^{-t}) - e^{-x}\|_{[0, \infty)} \\ &= \left\| \frac{-xe^{-x}}{n} + \frac{(12x^2 + 24x + 11)e^{-x}}{24n^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{n^3}\right) \right\|_{[0, \infty)}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 4** Let  $f, f'' \in C^*[0, \infty)$ . Then the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} &|n [K_n(f, x) - f(x)] - x[2f'(x) + f''(x)]| \\ &\leq |\hat{p}_n(x)||f'| + |\hat{q}_n(x)||f''| + 2(2\hat{q}_n(x) + 2x + \hat{r}_n(x)) \omega^*\left(f'', n^{-1/2}\right) \end{aligned}$$



holds for any  $x \in [0, \infty)$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{p}_n(x) &= n\mu_{n,1}(x) - x, \\ \hat{q}_n(x) &= \frac{1}{2} (n\mu_{n,2}(x) - 4x), \\ \hat{r}_n(x) &= n^2 \sqrt{K_n((e^{-x} - e^{-t})^4, x)} \sqrt{\mu_{n,4}(x)}. \end{aligned}$$

and  $\mu_{n,1}(x)$ ,  $\mu_{n,2}(x)$  and  $\mu_{n,4}(x)$  are given in Lemma 3, with values of  $a_n(x)$ , given by (4).

**Corollary 2** Let  $f, f'' \in C^*[0, \infty)$ . Then, the inequality

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n [K_n(f, x) - f(x)] = x[2f'(x) + f''(x)]$$

holds for any  $x \in [0, \infty)$ .

*Remark 3* Several other operators, which are linear and positive, can be applied to establish analogous results. Also, some other approximation properties for the operators studied in [3, 5–7, 10] and references therein may be considered for these operators.

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