# Degree of Approximation of $f \in L[0, \infty)$ by Means of Fourier–Laguerre Series

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Abstract In this paper, we determine the degree of approximation of functions belonging to  $L[0, \infty)$  by the Hausdorff means of its Fourier–Laguerre series at x = 0. Our theorem extends some of the recent results of Nigam and Sharma [A study on degree of approximation by (E, 1) summability means of the Fourier–Laguerre expansion, Int. J. Math. Math. Sci. (2010), Art. ID 351016, 7], Krasniqi [On the degree of approximation of a function by (C, 1)(E, q) means of its Fourier–Laguerre series, International Journal of Analysis and Applications 1 (2013), 33–39] and Sonker [Approximation of Functions by (C, 2)(E, q) means of its Fourier–Laguerre series, Proceeding of ICMS-2014 ISBN 978-93-5107-261-4:125–128.] in the sense that the summability methods used by these authors have been replaced by the Hausdorff matrices.

Keywords Degree of approximation · Hausdorff means · Fourier-Laguerre series

### **1** Introduction

Let f be a function belonging to  $L[0, \infty)$  in the sense that f is Labesgue integrable in the interval  $[0, \infty)$ . The Fourier–Laguerre expansion of f is given by

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n L_n^{(\alpha)}(x), \tag{1}$$

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where

$$\Gamma(\alpha+1)\binom{n+\alpha}{n}a_n = \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^\alpha f(x) L_n^{(\alpha)}(x) dx \tag{2}$$

and  $L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$  denotes the *n*th Laguerre polynomial of order  $\alpha > -1$ , defined by the generating function

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)\omega^n = (1-\omega)^{-\alpha-1} \exp\left(\frac{-x\omega}{1-\omega}\right).$$
 (3)

When x = 0,

$$L_n^{(\alpha)}(0) = \binom{n+\alpha}{n} [9].$$

The *n*th partial sums of (1) are defined by

$$s_n(f;x) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k L_k^{(\alpha)}(x).$$
 (4)

The Cesàro means of order  $\lambda$  of the Fourier–Laugerre series are defined by

$$C_n^{\lambda}(f;x) = \frac{1}{\binom{n+\lambda}{n}} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{\lambda+n-k-1}{n-k} s_k(f;x).$$

The Euler means of the Fourier-Laugerre series are defined by

$$E_n^q(f;x) = \frac{1}{(1+q)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} q^{n-k} s_k(f;x), \quad q > 0.$$

The Hausdorff matrix  $H \equiv (h_{n,k})$  is an infinite lower triangular matrix defined by

$$h_{n,k} = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{k} \Delta^{n-k} \mu_k , 0 \le k \le n, \\ 0, k > n, \end{cases}$$

where  $\triangle$  is the forward difference operator defined by  $\triangle \mu_n = \mu_n - \mu_{n+1}$  and  $\triangle^{k+1}\mu_n = \triangle^k(\triangle \mu_n)$ . If *H* is regular, then  $\{\mu_n\}$ , known as moment sequence, has the representation

$$\mu_n = \int_0^1 u^n d\gamma(u),$$

where  $\gamma(u)$ , known as mass function, is continuous at u = 0 and belongs to BV[0, 1] such that  $\gamma(0) = 0$ ,  $\gamma(1) = 1$ ; and for 0 < u < 1,  $\gamma(u) = [\gamma(u+0) + \gamma(u-0)]/2$  [11].

The Hausdorff means of the Fourier-Laugerre series are defined by

$$H_n(f;x) := \sum_{k=0}^n h_{n,k} s_k(f;x), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$
(5)

The Fourier–Laugerre series is said to be summable to *s* by the Hausdorff means, if  $H_n(f; x) \rightarrow s \ as \ n \rightarrow \infty$ , [3].

For the examples of Hausdorff matrices, one can see [7, 8, 11] and references therein.

In this paper, the class of all regular Hausdorff matrices with moment sequence  $\{\mu_n\}$  associated with mass function  $\gamma(u)$  having constant derivative, is denoted by  $H_1$ .

We also write

$$\varphi(y) = \frac{e^{-y}y^{\alpha}(f(y) - f(0))}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)},$$

and

$$g(u, y) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} {\binom{n}{k}} u^{k} (1-u)^{n-k} L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y).$$

#### 2 Known Results

Gupta [2] obtained the degree of approximation of  $f \in L[0, \infty)$  by Cesàro means of order *k* of the Fourier–Laguerre series at the point x = 0, where  $k > \alpha + 1/2$ . Nigam and Sharma [5] have used (E, 1) means of the Fourier–Laguerre series for  $-1 < \alpha < 1/2$  which is more appropriate range from the application point of view. The authors have proved the following result:

#### **Theorem A** *If*

$$E_n^1 = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} s_k \to \infty \text{ as } n \to \infty,$$

then the degree of approximation of Fourier–Laguerre expansion at the point x = 0 by (E, 1) means  $E_n^1$  is given by

$$E_n^1(0) - f(0) = o(\xi(n)), \tag{6}$$

provided that

$$\Phi(t) = \int_0^t |\varphi(y)| dy = o\left(t^{\alpha+1}\xi(1/t)\right), \quad t \to 0,$$
(7)

$$\int_{\delta}^{n} e^{y/2} y^{-((2\alpha+3)/4)} |\varphi(y)| dy = o\left(n^{-((2\alpha+1)/4)} \xi(n)\right),\tag{8}$$

$$\int_{n}^{\infty} e^{y/2} y^{-1/3} |\varphi(y)| dy = o(\xi(n)), \quad n \to \infty,$$
(9)

where  $\delta$  is a fixed positive constant and  $\alpha \in (-1, -1/2)$ , and  $\xi(t)$  is a positive monotonic increasing function of t such that  $\xi(n) \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

Following, Nigam and Sharma [5], Krasniqi [4] has used the (C, 1)(E, q) means of the Fourier–Laguerre series to obtain the degree of approximation of  $f \in L[0, \infty)$  at point x = 0 and has proved the following result:

**Theorem B** *The degree of approximation of the Fourier–Laguerre expansion at the point* x = 0 *by the*  $[(C, 1)(E, q)]_n$  *means is given by* 

$$[(C, 1)(E, q)]_n(0) - f(0) = o(\xi(n)),$$
(10)

provided that the conditions (7)–(9) given in Theorem A are satisfied.

Recently, Sonker [10] has also proved the same result using  $[(C, 2)(E, q)]_n$  means of the Fourier–Laguerre series for the same range of  $\alpha$  as follows:

**Theorem C** *The degree of approximation of the Fourier–Laguerre expansion at the point* x = 0 *by the*  $[(C, 2)(E, q)]_n$  *means is given by* 

$$[(C,2)(E,q)]_n(0) - f(0) = o(\xi(n)),$$
(11)

provided that the conditions (7)–(9) given in Theorem A are satisfied.

*Remark* 1 We observe that Krasniqi [4, p. 37] has optimized  $\sum_{k=0}^{\nu} {\binom{\nu}{k}} q^k k^{(2\alpha+1)/4}$ 

by its maximum value  $(1+q)^{\nu}v^{(2\alpha+1)/4}$ . This is possible only when  $\alpha > -1/2$ . But the author has used  $-1 < \alpha < 1/2$  [4, p. 35, Theorem 2.1]. Similar error can also be seen in [5, 10].

### **3 Main Results**

In this paper, we extend the above results using the Hausdorff means, which is a more general summability method, for an appropriate range of  $\alpha$ . More precisely, we prove the following:

**Theorem 1** The degree of approximation of  $f \in L[0, \infty)$  at the point x = 0 by the Hausdorff means of the Fourier–Laguerre series generated by  $H \in H_1$  is given by

$$H_n(f;0) - f(0) = o(\xi(n))$$
(12)

where  $\xi(t)$  is a positive increasing function such that  $\xi(t) \to \infty$  as  $t \to \infty$  and satisfies the following conditions

$$\Phi(y) = \int_0^t |\varphi(y)| dy = o\left(t^{\alpha+1}\xi(1/t)\right), \ t \to 0,$$
(13)

$$\int_{\delta}^{n} e^{y/2} y^{-((2\alpha+3)/4)} |\varphi(y)| dy = o\left(n^{-((2\alpha+1)/4)} \xi(n)\right), \tag{14}$$

and

$$\int_{n}^{\infty} e^{y/2} y^{-1/3} |\varphi(y)| dy = o(\xi(n)), \quad n \to \infty,$$
(15)

where  $\delta$  is a fixed positive constant and  $\alpha > -1/2$ .

For the proof of our theorem, we need the following lemmas:

**Lemma 1** [9, *p*. 177]. Let  $\alpha$  be an arbitrary real number, *c* and  $\delta$  be fixed positive constants. Then

$$L_n^{(\alpha)}(x) = \begin{cases} O(n^{(\alpha)}), & \text{if } 0 \le x \le \frac{c}{n}, \\ O(x^{-(2\alpha+1)/4} n^{(2\alpha-1)/4}), & \text{if } \frac{c}{n} \le x \le \delta, \end{cases}$$
(16)

as  $n \to \infty$ .

**Lemma 2** [9, p. 240]. Let  $\alpha$  be an arbitrary real number,  $\delta > 0$  and  $0 < \eta < 4$ . Then

$$\max e^{-x/2} x^{(\alpha/2+1/4)} |L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)| = \begin{cases} O\left(n^{(\alpha/2-1/4)}\right), & \text{if } \delta \le x \le (4-\eta)n, \\ O\left(n^{(\alpha/2-1/12)}\right), & \text{if } x \ge \delta, \end{cases}$$
(17)

as  $n \to \infty$ .

**Lemma 3** For 0 < u < 1 and  $0 \le y \le \delta$ ,

$$\left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| = \begin{cases} O\left(n^{(\alpha+1)}\right), & \text{if } 0 \le y \le \frac{1}{n}, \\ O\left(y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} n^{(2\alpha+1)/4}\right), & \text{if } \frac{1}{n} \le y \le \delta, \end{cases}$$
(18)

as  $n \to \infty$ .

*Proof* The g(u, y) can be written as

$$g(u, y) = (1-u)^n \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{u}{1-u}\right)^k L_k^{(\alpha+1)}(y).$$

Then

$$\left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| = \left| \int_{0}^{1} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \binom{u}{1-u}^{k} L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) d\gamma(u) \right|$$
$$= \left| M \int_{0}^{1} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \binom{u}{1-u}^{k} L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) du \right|$$

Now, using Lemma 1 for  $0 \le y \le \frac{1}{n}$  (taking  $\alpha + 1$  for  $\alpha$  and c = 1), we have

$$\left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| = \int_{0}^{1} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{u}{1-u} \right)^{k} O(k^{\alpha+1}) du$$
$$= O\left( n^{\alpha+1} \int_{0}^{1} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{u}{1-u} \right)^{k} du \right)$$
$$= O\left( n^{\alpha+1} \int_{0}^{1} (1-u)^{n} du \right)$$
$$= O\left( n^{\alpha+1} \right).$$
(19)

Again, using Lemma 1 for  $\frac{1}{n} \le y \le \delta$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| &= \int_{0}^{1} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{u}{1-u} \right)^{k} O\left( y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} k^{(2\alpha+1)/4} \right) du \\ &= O\left( y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} n^{(2\alpha+1)/4} \int_{0}^{1} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{u}{1-u} \right)^{k} du \right) \\ &= O\left( y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} n^{(2\alpha+1)/4} \right). \end{aligned}$$
(20)

Collecting (19) and (20), the proof of Lemma 3 is completed.

**Lemma 4** For 0 < u < 1,

$$\left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| = \begin{cases} O\left( e^{y/2} y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} n^{(2\alpha+1)/4} \right), & \text{if } \delta \le y \le n, \\ O\left( e^{y/2} y^{-(3\alpha+5)/6} n^{(\alpha+1)/2} \right), & \text{if } y \ge \delta, \end{cases}$$
(21)

as  $n \to \infty$ .

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*Proof* Following the Lemma 3, we have

$$\left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| = \left| \int_{0}^{1} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{u}{1-u} \right)^{k} L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) du \right|$$

Now, using Lemma 2 for  $\delta \le y \le n$  (taking  $\alpha + 1$  for  $\alpha$  and  $\eta = 3$ ), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| &= \left| \int_{0}^{1} e^{(y/2)} y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{u}{1-u} \right)^{k} e^{-(y/2)} y^{(2\alpha+3)/4} L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) du \right| \\ &= \int_{0}^{1} e^{y/2} y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{u}{1-u} \right)^{k} O\left( k^{(2\alpha+1)/4} \right) du \\ &= O\left( e^{y/2} y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} n^{(2\alpha+1)/4} \right). \end{aligned}$$
(22)

Again, using Lemma 2 for  $y \ge n$ , we have

$$\left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| = \left| \int_{0}^{1} e^{(y/2)} y^{-(3\alpha+5)/6} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{u}{1-u} \right)^{k} e^{-(y/2)} y^{(3\alpha+5)/6} L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) du \right|$$
$$= \int_{0}^{1} e^{y/2} y^{-(3\alpha+5)/6} (1-u)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{u}{1-u} \right)^{k} O\left( k^{(\alpha+1)/2} \right) du$$
$$= O\left( e^{y/2} y^{-(3\alpha+5)/6} n^{(\alpha+1)/2} \right).$$
(23)

Collecting (22) and (23), the proof of Lemma 4 is completed.

# **Proof of Theorem 1** We have

$$s_{n}(0) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k} L_{k}^{(\alpha)}(0)$$
  
=  $\sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)\binom{n+\alpha}{n}} \left( \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-y} y^{\alpha} f(y) L_{k}^{(\alpha)}(y) dy \right) L_{k}^{(\alpha)}(0)$   
=  $\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-y} y^{\alpha} f(y) \sum_{k=0}^{n} L_{k}^{(\alpha)}(y) dy$   
=  $\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-y} y^{\alpha} f(y) L_{n}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) dy,$ 

so that

$$H_n(f; 0) = \sum_{k=0}^n h_{n,k} s_k(0)$$
  
=  $\sum_{k=0}^n {n \choose k} \Delta^{n-k} \mu_k \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \int_0^\infty e^{-y} y^\alpha f(y) L_k^{(\alpha+1)}(y) dy.$ 

Thus

$$\begin{split} H_{n}(f;0) - f(0) &= \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \Delta^{n-k} \mu_{k} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-y} y^{\alpha} f(y) L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) dy - f(0) \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \Delta^{n-k} \mu_{k} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-y} y^{\alpha} (f(y) - f(0)) L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) dy \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \Delta^{n-k} \mu_{k} \int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi(y) L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) dy \\ &= \int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi(y) \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \Delta^{n-k} \mu_{k} L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) \right) dy \\ &= \int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi(y) \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \int_{0}^{1} u^{k} (1-u)^{n-k} d\gamma(u) L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) \right) dy \\ &= \int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi(y) \left( \int_{0}^{1} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} u^{k} (1-u)^{n-k} L_{k}^{(\alpha+1)}(y) dy \right) dy \\ &= \int_{0}^{\infty} \varphi(y) \left( \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right) dy \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |H_n(f;0) - f(0)| &= \left| \int_0^\infty \varphi(y) \left( \int_0^1 g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right) dy \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty |\varphi(y)| \left| \int_0^1 g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| dy \\ &= \left( \int_0^{1/n} + \int_{1/n}^\delta + \int_\delta^n + \int_n^\infty \right) \left( |\varphi(y)| \left| \int_0^1 g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| dy \right) \\ &= I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4. \end{aligned}$$
(24)

Now, using Lemma 3 for  $0 \le y \le \frac{1}{n}$ , we have

$$I_{1} = \int_{0}^{1/n} |\varphi(y)| \left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| dy$$
  
=  $O\left(n^{\alpha+1}\right) \int_{0}^{1/n} |\varphi(y)| dy$   
=  $O(n^{(\alpha+1)}) o\left(\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\alpha+1} \xi(n)\right)$   
=  $o(\xi(n)),$  (25)

in view of condition (13).

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Further, using Lemma 3 for  $\frac{1}{n} \le y \le \delta$ , we have,

$$I_{2} = \int_{1/n}^{\delta} |\varphi(y)| O\left(y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} n^{(2\alpha+1)/4}\right) dy$$
  
=  $O\left(n^{(2\alpha+1)/4}\right) \left(\int_{1/n}^{\delta} y^{-(2\alpha+3)/4} |\varphi(y)| dy\right).$ 

Following [5, p. 6], we have

$$I_2 = o(\xi(n)), \tag{26}$$

in view of condition (13).

Now, using Lemma 4 for  $\delta \leq y \leq n$ , we have

$$I_{3} = \int_{\delta}^{n} |\varphi(y)| \left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| dy$$
  

$$= \int_{\delta}^{n} O\left( e^{y/2} y^{-((2\alpha+3)/4)} n^{(2\alpha+1)/4} \right) |\varphi(y)| dy$$
  

$$= O\left( n^{(2\alpha+1)/4} \right) \left( \int_{\delta}^{n} e^{y/2} y^{-((2\alpha+3)/4)} |\varphi(y)| dy \right)$$
  

$$= O\left( n^{(2\alpha+1)/4} \right) O\left( (n^{-(2\alpha+1)/4}) \xi(n) \right)$$
  

$$= O(\xi(n)), \qquad (27)$$

in view of condition (14).

Further, using Lemma 4, we have

$$I_{4} = \int_{n}^{\infty} |\varphi(y)| \left| \int_{0}^{1} g(u, y) d\gamma(u) \right| dy$$
  
=  $\int_{n}^{\infty} |\varphi(y)| O\left(e^{y/2} y^{-(3\alpha+5)/6} n^{(\alpha+1)/2}\right) dy$   
=  $O\left(n^{(\alpha+1)/2}\right) \left( \int_{n}^{\infty} \frac{e^{y/2} y^{-1/3} |\varphi(y)|}{y^{(\alpha+1)/2}} dy \right)$   
=  $o\left((\xi(n)) n^{(\alpha+1)/2} \left(n^{-(\alpha+1)/2}\right)\right)$   
=  $o(\xi(n)),$  (28)

in view of condition (15).

Collecting (24)–(28), we have

$$H_n(f; 0) - f(0) = o(\xi(n)).$$

Hence the proof of Theorem 1 is completed.

## **4** Corollaries

The following corollaries can be derived from our Theorem 1.

**Corollary 1** As discussed in [7, p. 306, Lemma 1] and [11, p. 38], if we take the mass function  $\gamma(u)$  given by

$$\gamma(u) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \le u \le a, \\ 1, & a \le u \le 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $a = \frac{1}{(1+q)}$ , q > 0, the Hausdorff matrix H reduces to Euler matrix (E, q), q > 0 and defines the corresponding (E, q) means given by

$$E_q^n(f;x) = \frac{1}{(1+q)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} q^{n-k} s_k(f;x), \quad q > 0.$$

*Hence the Theorem* 1 *reduces to Theorem A (result proved by Nigam and Sharma* [5, p. 3, *Theorem* 2.1]).

**Corollary 2** As discussed in [1, p. 400] and [6, p. 2747], the Cesàro matrix of order  $\lambda$ , is also a Hausdorff matrix obtained by mass function  $\gamma(u) = 1 - (1 - u)^{\lambda}$  and the corresponding Cesàro means are given by

$$C_n^{\lambda}(f;x) = \frac{1}{\binom{n+\lambda}{n}} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{\lambda+n-k-1}{n-k} s_k(f;x).$$

*Further, Rhoades* [7, p. 308] *and Rhoades et al.* [8, p. 6869] *has mentioned that the product of two Hausdorff matrices is again a Hausdorff matrix. Hence the Theorem B and Theorem C (results proved by Krasniqi* [4, p. 35, *Theorem* 2.1] *and Sonker* [10, p. 126, *Theorem* 1]) *are also particular cases of our Theorem* 1.

*Remark* 2 This is an open problem to associate the above discussed results with the  $L^{p}$ -spaces.

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