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On the approximation with Jacobi weights

We will discuss some open problems and results in the the approximation with Jacobi weights

$$q_{\alpha,\beta}(x) := (1-x)^\alpha(1+x)^\beta$$

and their generalizations. Say, for the error

$$E_n^*(f) := \inf_{P_n} \|(f - P_n)q_{-1/2,-1/2}\|_{C[-1,1]}$$

of the best uniform weighted approximation by algebraic polynomials P_n of degree $< n$ of a continuous on $[-1, 1]$ function $f \in \text{Lip1}$ (that is $|f(x') - f(x'')| \leq |x' - x''|, \forall x', x'' \in [-1, 1]$) the estimate

$$nE_n^*(f) \leq c$$

is well known. However the exact value of the absolute constant c is not known.

Recently the asymptotically exact estimates for the generalized Lebesgue constants of the Fourier-Jacobi sums in the weighted integral norm are obtained.

For a domain $D \subset \mathbf{C}$ with piecewise smooth boundary an analog of the Jacobi weight is

$$q_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_s}(z) := |z_1 - z|^{\alpha_1} \dots |z_s - z|^{\alpha_s},$$

where s is the number of the angular points z_j . For such domains and weights complete analogs of the estimates, taking place for the interval, are proved.

Finally, we will discuss the shape preserving approximation with Jacobi weights.

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