

# Strong converse results for Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators and their quasi-interpolants <sup>1</sup>

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## Abstract

The purpose of this paper is the investigation of strong converse results for Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators and their quasi-interpolants. For lower dimensions we improve known results by Knoop and Zhou [16] and Chen, Ditzian and Ivanov [5] in regard to the constants in their estimates and prove a strong converse theorem of type B for the quasi-interpolants introduced by Berdysheva, Jetter and Stöckler (see e. g. [2]) with respect to a modified K-functional in the univariate case.

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## 1 Introduction

The so-called Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators were first defined by Durrmeyer [11] and independently developed by Lupaş [15].

The research on these operators was initiated by Derriennic [6] in 1981. Ditzian and Ivanov [9] gave a fresh impetus to this topic by stating the commutativity of the operators and using the Ditzian-Totik modulus of smoothness and appropriate equivalent K-functionals (see [10]) for their direct and converse results.

The multivariate Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators given in the following definition were also introduced by Derriennic [7].

**Definition 1** *Let  $S^d$  denote the simplex*

$S^d = \{x = (x_1, \dots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d : x_i \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^d x_i \leq 1\}$ . For  $f \in L_p(S^d)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the multivariate Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators are given by

$$\begin{aligned} (M_n f)(x) &= \sum_{k/n \in S} p_{nk}(x) \frac{(n+d)!}{n!} \int_S f(t) p_{nk}(t) dt \\ &= \sum_{k/n \in S} p_{nk}(x) \frac{(n+d)!}{n!} \langle p_{nk}, f \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$p_{n,k}(x) = \frac{n!}{k!(n-|k|)!} x^k (1-|x|)^{n-|k|}, \quad x \in S$$

and

$$k! = k_1! \cdots k_d!, |k| = \sum_{i=1}^d k_i, |x| = \sum_{i=1}^d x_i, x^k = x_1^{k_1} \cdots x_d^{k_d}.$$

To study the approximation behaviour of the operators  $M_n$  we use a modified K-functional given in [5] by

$$(1) \quad K^2(f, t)_p = \inf \left\{ \|f - g\|_p + t \|\tilde{D}^2 g\|_p : g \in C^2(S^d) \right\},$$

where  $\tilde{D}^2$  denotes the partial differential operator

$$\sum_{i=1}^d \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} x_i (1 - |x|) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{i < j} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right) x_i x_j \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

of second order.

For  $f \in L_p(S^d)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , the direct estimate

$$\|M_n f - f\|_p \leq 4K^2 \left( f, \frac{1}{n} \right)_p$$

is proved in [4, Theorem 3.1]. Considering [3, Theorem 19] for the special case  $r = 0$ ,  $\mu = 0$ , with  $c_{0,0} = 1$  and  $\alpha_n(d) = \frac{C_{n,0,d}}{\binom{n}{r+1}} = \sum_{l=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l(l+d)}$   $= \frac{1}{d} \left[ \frac{1}{n+1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n+d} \right]$  in the notation of [3], we have

$$\|f - M_n f\|_p \leq 2\|f - g\|_p + \alpha_n(d) \|\tilde{D}^2 g\|_p$$

for each  $g \in C^2(S^d)$ , i. e.

$$(2) \quad \|f - M_n f\|_p \leq 2K^2 \left( f, \frac{\alpha_n(d)}{2} \right)_p.$$

Concerning the strong converse result of type A in the terminology of [9], it was proved in [5, Theorem 6.1] that for  $f \in L_p(S^d)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,  $d \leq 3$

$$(3) \quad K^2 \left( f, \frac{1}{n} \right)_p \leq A \|M_n f - f\|_p.$$

Knoop and Zhou could prove (3) for all  $f \in L_p(S^d)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , without the restriction on the dimension  $d$  and stated, that  $A = A(d) \leq 1 + d^3 + 5d^7$ , i. e.  $A(1) \leq 7$ ,  $A(2) \leq 649$  and  $A(3) \leq 10963$ .

In order to derive significantly better constants in case  $d \leq 3$ , we improve the strong Voronovskaja-type result [5, Theorem 4.1] in section 2 .

To increase the order of approximation Jetter and Stöckler constructed quasi-interpolants of the multivariate Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators in [13]. In this paper we restrict ourselves to the case  $d = 1$ .

**Definition 2** *The quasi-interpolants  $M_{n,r}$  of type  $(r, n)$ ,  $0 \leq r \leq n$ , are given by*

$$M_{n,r}f = \sum_{l=0}^r (-1)^l \frac{(n-l)!}{n!l!} \tilde{D}^{2l}(M_n f),$$

where  $\tilde{D}^{2l}$  denotes the differential operator  $\frac{d^l}{dx^l} \left( x^l(1-x)^l \frac{d^l}{dx^l} \right)$  of order  $2l$ .

The quasi-interpolants of type  $(r, n)$  reproduce polynomials of order  $r$  and contain the Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators as a special case for  $r = 0$ . To study the approximation behaviour of the quasi-interpolants we use the K-functional

$$K^{2(r+1)}(f, t)_p = \inf \left\{ \|f - g\|_p + t \|\tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}g\|_p : g \in C^{2(r+1)}[0, 1] \right\},$$

introduced in [13]. For the quasi-interpolants the direct result

$$\|M_{n,r}f - f\|_p \leq 2^{r+1} K^{2(r+1)}(f, \beta_n(r))_p, \quad \beta_n(r) = \frac{(n-r)!}{(n+1)!(r+1)!},$$

was proved in [2, Theorem 4].

## 2 Better constants in strong converse results of type A

In this section we determine good constants in the strong converse results of type A for the operators  $M_n$ . To do so, we first have to improve the strong Voronovskaja-type result by Chen, Ditzian and Ivanov. In [5, Theorem 4.1] they showed, that for  $f \in C^4(S^d)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n > 1$ ,

$$\left\| M_n f - f - \frac{1}{2} \alpha_n(d) \tilde{D}^2 [f + M_n f] \right\|_p \leq \left\| (\tilde{D}^2)^2 f \right\|_p \cdot \left\{ \frac{\alpha_n(d)^2}{4} + \frac{1}{2(n+1)^3} \right\},$$

with  $\alpha_n(d) = \sum_{l=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l(l+d)} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{1}{n+i}$  given as above. For  $d \leq 3$  this estimate will be improved in the following lemma.

**Lemma 1** *Let  $f \in C^4(S^d)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $d \leq 3$ . Then*

$$\left\| M_n f - f - \frac{1}{2} \alpha_n(d) \tilde{D}^2 [f + M_n f] \right\|_p \leq \left\| (\tilde{D}^2)^2 f \right\|_p \cdot \psi(n),$$

where

$$\psi(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4(n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{6(n+1)^4}, & d = 1 \\ \frac{1}{4(n+1)^2}, & d = 2, 3 \end{cases}.$$

**Proof**

From [5, Proof of Theorem 4.1] we have

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} & \left\| M_n f - f - \frac{1}{2} \alpha_n(d) \tilde{D}^2 [f + M_n f] \right\|_p \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} [S_1(d) + S_2(d) - S_3(d)] \left\| (\tilde{D}^2)^2 f \right\|_p, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$S_1(d) = \begin{cases} 2\alpha_n(1)\alpha_{2n+2}(1) - \alpha_{2n+2}^2(1) - \alpha_{2n+1}^2(1), & d = 1 \\ 2\alpha_{2n+2}(d) [\alpha_n(d) - \alpha_{2n+2}(d)], & d = 2, 3 \end{cases},$$

$$S_2(d) = \sum_{j=n+1}^{j_0} \frac{1}{j^2(j+d)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad S_3(d) = \sum_{j=2n+3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^2(j+d)^2}.$$

Here and in what follows, we denote by  $j_0$  the index

$$j_0 = \max \{j : 2\alpha_{j-1}(d) - \alpha_n(d) > 0\}.$$

For the dimensions  $d$  discussed in this paper we have

$$j_0 = \begin{cases} 2n+1, & d = 1 \\ 2n+2, & d = 2, 3 \end{cases}.$$

Note that  $2 \cdot \alpha_{2n+2}(1) - \alpha_n(1) = 0$ .

$S_1(d)$  can be calculated directly with the definition of the  $\alpha_n(k)$  to

$$(5) \quad S_1(d) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{8n^2 + 20n + 11}{(n+1)^2(2n+3)^2}, & d = 1 \\ \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{(4n+7)(4n^2 + 13n + 11)}{(n+1)(n+2)^2(2n+3)^2}, & d = 2 \\ \frac{1}{18} \cdot \frac{(12n^2 + 48n + 47)(12n^4 + 96n^3 + 287n^2 + 380n + 189)}{(n+1)(n+2)^2(n+3)(2n+3)^2(2n+5)^2}, & d = 3 \end{cases}.$$

Taking into account that  $j(j+d) \geq (j-1)(j+d+1)$  we get the estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
(6) \quad & S_2(d) \\
& \leq \sum_{j=n+1}^{j_0} \frac{1}{(j-1)j(j+d)(j+d+1)} \\
& = \frac{1}{d+1} \left\{ \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j=n+1}^{j_0} \left[ \frac{1}{j+d} - \frac{1}{j} \right] + \frac{1}{d+2} \sum_{j=n+1}^{j_0} \left[ \frac{1}{j-1} - \frac{1}{j+d+1} \right] \right\} \\
& = \frac{1}{d+1} \left\{ \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d \left[ \frac{1}{i+j_0} - \frac{1}{i+n} \right] + \frac{1}{d+2} \sum_{i=0}^{d+1} \left[ \frac{1}{i+n} - \frac{1}{i+j_0} \right] \right\} \\
& = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{7n^2 + 14n + 6}{n(n+1)(n+2)(2n+1)(2n+3)}, & d = 1 \\ \frac{1}{24} \cdot \frac{28n^3 + 157n^2 + 291n + 180}{n(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)(2n+3)(2n+5)}, & d = 2 \\ \frac{1}{60} \cdot \frac{70n^4 + 560n^3 + 1669n^2 + 2196n + 1080}{n(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)(n+4)(2n+3)(2n+5)}, & d = 3 \end{cases} .
\end{aligned}$$

For the estimate of  $S_3(d)$  we use that  $j(j+1)^2 \leq (j-1)(j+2)(j+3)$  in case  $d = 1$  and  $j(j+d)^2 \leq (j+1)(j+2)(j+3)$  in case  $d = 2, 3$  respectively.

Thus we derive

$$\begin{aligned}
(7) \quad & S_3(d) \\
& \geq \begin{cases} \sum_{j=2n+3}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{6} \left( \frac{1}{j+2} - \frac{1}{j} \right) + \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{1}{j-1} - \frac{1}{j+3} \right) \right], & d = 1 \\ \sum_{j=2n+3}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{6} \left( \frac{1}{j} - \frac{1}{j+3} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{j+2} - \frac{1}{j+1} \right) \right], & d = 2, 3 \end{cases} \\
& = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{24} \cdot \frac{4n+7}{(n+1)(n+2)(2n+3)(2n+5)} & d = 1 \\ \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{(n+2)(2n+3)(2n+5)} & d = 2, 3 \end{cases} .
\end{aligned}$$

For the different dimensions  $d = 1, 2, 3$  in question we derive from (5), (6) and (7)

$$\begin{aligned} & S_1(1) + S_2(1) - S_3(1) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{64n^6 + 512n^5 + 1588n^4 + 2412n^3 + 1887n^2 + 741n + 120}{n(n+1)^2(n+2)(2n+1)(2n+3)^2(2n+5)} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2(n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{3(n+1)^4}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & S_1(2) + S_2(2) - S_3(2) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{32n^6 + 352n^5 + 1540n^4 + 3402n^3 + 3925n^2 + 2133n + 360}{n(n+1)(n+2)^2(n+3)(2n+3)^2(2n+5)} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2(n+1)^2}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & S_1(3) + S_2(3) - S_3(3) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{180} \cdot \left\{ 1440n^8 + 23760n^7 + 165360n^6 + 633888n^5 + 1458370n^4 \right. \\ & \quad \left. + 2043371n^3 + 1669696n^2 + 694440n + 97200 \right\} / \\ & \quad \left\{ n(n+1)(n+2)^2(n+3)(n+4)(2n+3)^2(2n+5)^2 \right\} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2(n+1)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Together with (4) we have proved our lemma.

We are now in the position to prove the main result of this section.

**Theorem 1** *Let  $f \in L_p(S^d)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,  $d \leq 3$ . Then*

$$K^2(f, \alpha_n(d))_p \leq A(d) \|M_n f - f\|_p$$

*for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $A(1) \leq \frac{19}{4}$ ,  $A(2) \leq 8$  and  $A(3) \leq \frac{85}{4}$ .*



**Proof.**

Following the lines of [5, Proof of Theorem 6.3] we choose  $g = \frac{1}{2} [M_n^4 f + M_n^3 f]$ .

As the operators  $M_n$  are contractions we first get

$$(8) \quad \|f - g\|_p \leq \frac{7}{2} \|M_n f - f\|_p.$$

Application of the strong Voronovskaja-type result in lemma 1 to the function  $M_n^3 f$  leads us to

$$(9) \quad \alpha_n(d) \|\tilde{D}^2 g\|_p \leq \|M_n f - f\|_p + \psi(n) \|(\tilde{D}^2)^2 M_n^3 f\|_p.$$

In [5, Lemma 3.1, Lemma 3.2] it was proved that  $\|\tilde{D}^2(M_n f)\|_p \leq 2dn\|f\|_p$  and  $\|\tilde{D}^2(M_n^2 f)\|_p \leq dn\|f\|_p$ . So, as the operators  $M_n$  and the differential operators  $\tilde{D}^2$  commute (see [12, Lemma 3.1] for  $d = 1$  and [4, Lemma 2.5] for the general case) and the operators  $M_n$  are contractions, we derive

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\tilde{D}^2)^2(M_n^3 f)\|_p &= \|\tilde{D}^2(M_n^2 \tilde{D}^2 M_n f)\|_p \\ &\leq dn \|\tilde{D}^2(M_n f)\|_p \\ &\leq dn \left\{ \|\tilde{D}^2 g\|_p + \|\tilde{D}^2(M_n(f - M_n f))\|_p \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \|\tilde{D}^2(M_n^2(f - M_n f))\|_p + \frac{1}{2} \|\tilde{D}^2(M_n^2(M_n f - M_n^2 f))\|_p \right\} \\ &\leq dn \left\{ \|\tilde{D}^2 g\|_p + \frac{7}{2} dn \|M_n f - f\|_p \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Together with (9) we get

$$\alpha_n(d) \|\tilde{D}^2 g\|_p \leq \|M_n f - f\|_p + \psi(n) dn \|\tilde{D}^2 g\|_p + \frac{7}{2} \psi(n) d^2 n^2 \|M_n f - f\|_p.$$

This yields

$$(10) \quad \frac{\alpha_n(d)}{2} \|\tilde{D}^2 g\|_p \leq B_n(d) \|M_n f - f\|_p,$$

where

$$B_n(d) = \alpha_n(d) \frac{1 + \frac{7}{2}d^2n^2\psi(n)}{2[\alpha_n(d) - dn\psi(n)]}.$$

With the definition of  $\psi(n)$  in lemma 1 we get for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\begin{aligned} B_n(1) &= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{45n^4 + 138n^3 + 179n^2 + 96n + 24}{(n+1)(9n^3 + 30n^2 + 31n + 12)} \leq \frac{5}{4}, \\ B_n(2) &= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{(2n+3)(9n^2 + 4n + 2)}{(n+1)(n^2 + 3n + 3)} \leq \frac{9}{2}, \\ B_n(3) &= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{(3n^2 + 12n + 11)(71n^2 + 16n + 8)}{(n+1)(3n^3 + 15n^2 + 38n + 44)} \leq \frac{71}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

Together with (8), (10) and the definition of the K-functional we derive our proposition.

### 3 Strong converse result of type B for quasi-interpolants

In this section we prove a strong converse inequality of type B in the terminology of [8] for the quasi-interpolants of the Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators in the univariate case.

First we need some auxiliary results, given in the following lemmas, which were proved by Berdysheva, Jetter and Stöckler in [2] and [3] or follow from the Bernstein-type inequality

$$(11) \quad \|\tilde{D}^{2l}(M_n f)\|_p \leq 2^l \frac{n!l!}{(n-l)!} \|f\|_p,$$

proved in [2, Theorem 3.1].

First we need, that the norms of the quasi-interpolants are uniformly bounded, (see [2, 4.1]).

**Lemma 2** Let  $f \in L_p[0, 1]$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . Then

$$\|M_{n,r}f\|_p \leq (2^{r+1} - 1)\|f\|_p.$$

The next two estimates follow from the Bernstein-type inequality.

**Lemma 3** Let  $f \in L_p[0, 1]$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . Then

$$\left\| \tilde{D}^2(M_{n,r}f) \right\|_p \leq \gamma_n(r)\|f\|_p,$$

where

$$\gamma_n(r) = (n - r)2^{r+1}(r + 1) + (n + 2)[2^{r+1}(r - 1) + 2].$$

**Proof.**

It follows from [3, (11)], that

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{D}^2(M_{n,r}f) \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^r (-1)^l \frac{(n-l)!}{l!n!} \tilde{D}^{2(l+1)}(M_n f) - \sum_{l=1}^r (-1)^l \frac{(n-l)!}{l!n!} l(l+1) \tilde{D}^{2l}(M_n f) \\ &= (-1)^r \frac{(n-r)!}{r!n!} \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}(M_n f) + (n+2) \sum_{l=0}^{r-1} (-1)^l \frac{(n-l-1)!}{l!n!} \tilde{D}^{2(l+1)}(M_n f). \end{aligned}$$

Together with the Bernstein-type inequality (11) we get

$$\|\tilde{D}^2(M_{n,r}f)\|_p \leq \left\{ 2^{r+1}(n-r)(r+1) + (n+2) \sum_{l=0}^{r-1} (l+1)2^{l+1} \right\} \|f\|_p.$$

As  $\sum_{l=0}^{r-1} (l+1)2^{l+1} = 2^{r+1}(r-1) + 2$ , which can easily be proved by induction, it follows that

$$\|\tilde{D}^2(M_{n,r}f)\|_p \leq \{2^{r+1}(n-r)(r+1) + (n+2)[2^{r+1}(r-1) + 2]\} \|f\|_p.$$

**Lemma 4** *Let  $f \in L_p[0, 1]$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . Then*

$$\left\| \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}(M_{n,r}f) \right\|_p \leq c_n(r) \|f\|_p,$$

where

$$c_n(r) = \frac{n!}{(n-r-1)!} \frac{(2r+1)!}{r!} 2^r (3^{r+1} - 1).$$

**Proof.**

In [1, Lemma 2.3] it was proved, that for  $g \in C^{2(r+1+l)}[0, 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} & [x(1-x)]^{r+1} D^{r+1}(\tilde{D}^{2l}g) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^l \binom{l}{k} \frac{(r+l+1)!}{(r+k+1)!} (-1)^{l-k} D^k \{ [x(1-x)]^{r+1+k} D^{r+1+k}g \}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $D^k$  denotes the usual differential operator.

Differentiating both sides  $(r+1)$ -times, we derive for  $g \in C^{2(r+1+l)}[0, 1]$

$$\tilde{D}^{2(r+1)} \tilde{D}^{2l}g = \sum_{k=0}^l \binom{l}{k} \frac{(r+l+1)!}{(r+k+1)!} (-1)^{l-k} \tilde{D}^{2(r+1+k)}g.$$

Applying the definition of  $M_{n,r}$  and substituting  $g = M_n f$  in the last equatuity leads to the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{D}^{2(r+1)} M_{n,r}f\|_p &\leq \sum_{l=0}^r \frac{(n-l)!}{l!n!} \|\tilde{D}^{2(r+1)} \tilde{D}^{2l} M_n f\|_p \\ &\leq \sum_{l=0}^r \frac{(n-l)!}{l!n!} \sum_{k=0}^l \binom{l}{k} \frac{(r+l+1)!}{(r+k+1)!} \|\tilde{D}^{2(r+1+k)} M_n f\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

With (11) and as  $\frac{1}{(n-r-1-k)!} \leq \frac{1}{(n-r-1-l)!}$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{D}^{2(r+1)} M_{n,r}f\|_p &\leq \|f\|_p \sum_{l=0}^r \frac{(n-l)!}{(n-r-1-l)!} \frac{(r+1+l)!}{l!} \sum_{k=0}^l \binom{l}{k} 2^{r+1+k} \\ &= 2^{r+1} \|f\|_p \sum_{l=0}^r \frac{(n-l)!}{(n-r-1-l)!} \frac{(r+1+l)!}{l!} 3^l. \end{aligned}$$

As  $\frac{(n-l)!}{(n-r-1-l)!} \leq \frac{n!}{(n-r-1)!}$  and  $\frac{(r+1+l)!}{l!} \leq \frac{(2r+1)!}{r!}$  we derive

$$\|\tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}M_{n,r}f\|_p \leq 2^{r+1} \frac{n!}{(n-r-1)!} \cdot \frac{(2r+1)!}{r!} \cdot \frac{1}{2}(3^{r+1}-1)\|f\|_p.$$

The following strong Voronovskaja-type theorem was shown in [2] in a more general setting.

**Lemma 5** *Let  $f \in C^{2(r+2)}[0, 1]$ . Then*

$$\left\| M_{n,r}f - f - (-1)^r \beta_n(r) \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}f \right\|_p \leq \frac{1}{n+2} \beta_n(r) \|\tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}(\tilde{D}^2 f)\|_p,$$

where

$$\beta_n(r) = \frac{(n-r)!}{(n+1)!(r+1)!}.$$

Now we are able to prove the main result of this section.

**Theorem 2** *Let  $f \in L_p[0, 1]$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,  $n, r \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq r$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $k \geq \frac{\gamma(n)}{p} - 2$ ,  $\gamma(n)$  as defined in lemma 3 and a constant  $\rho < 1$  independent of  $k$  and  $n$ . Then we have*

$$K^{2(r+1)}(f, \beta_n(r))_p \leq C(r, \rho) \frac{\beta_n(r)}{\beta_k(r)} \left\{ \|M_{n,r}f - f\|_p + \|M_{k,r}f - f\|_p \right\},$$

with  $\beta_n(r)$  as defined in lemma 5 and a constant  $C(r, \rho)$  independent of  $n$  and  $k$ .

**Proof.**

We choose  $g = M_{n,r}^2 f$  and prove

$$(12) \quad \|f - g\|_p \leq 2^{r+1} \|M_{n,r}f - f\|_p$$

$$(13) \quad \beta_n(r) \left\| \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}g \right\|_p \leq C(r) \frac{\beta_n(r)}{\beta_k(r)} \left\{ \|M_{n,r}f - f\|_p + \|M_{k,r}f - f\|_p \right\}$$

From lemma 2 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - g\|_p &\leq \|M_{n,r}(f - M_{n,r}f)\|_p + \|f - M_{n,r}f\|_p \\ &\leq 2^{r+1} \|M_{n,r}f - f\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

Thus (12) holds true.

Now we apply the strong Voronovskaja-type result of lemma 5 to the function  $g$  and use  $M_{k,r}$  instead of  $M_{n,r}$ . Together with the Bernstein-type inequalities in lemma 3 and lemma 4 this leads to

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| M_{k,r}(M_{n,r}^2 f) - M_{n,r}^2 f - (-1)^r \beta_k(r) \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}(M_{n,r}^2 f) \right\|_p \\ &\leq \frac{1}{k+2} \beta_k(r) \left\| \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}(\tilde{D}^2 M_{n,r}^2 f) \right\|_p \\ &\leq \frac{\beta_k(r)}{k+2} \gamma_n(r) \left\| \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}(M_{n,r} f) \right\|_p \\ &\leq \frac{\beta_k(r)}{k+2} \gamma_n(r) \left\{ \left\| \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}(M_{n,r}^2 f) \right\|_p + \left\| \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}(M_{n,r}(M_{n,r}f - f)) \right\|_p \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\beta_k(r)}{k+2} \gamma_n(r) \left\{ \left\| \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}(M_{n,r}^2 f) \right\|_p + c_n(r) \|M_{n,r}f - f\|_p \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

From this inequality we derive by using the inverse triangle inequality, lemma 2 and the commutativity of the operators (see [3, Lemma 6])

$$\begin{aligned} (14) \quad &\beta_n(r) \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{k+2} \gamma_n(r) \right\} \left\| \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)} g \right\|_p \\ &\leq \frac{\beta_n(r)}{\beta_k(r)} \left\{ \left\| M_{n,r}^2(M_{k,r}f - f) \right\|_p + \frac{1}{k+2} \beta_k(r) \gamma_n(r) c_n(r) \|M_{n,r}f - f\|_p \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\beta_n(r)}{\beta_k(r)} \left\{ \underbrace{(2^{r+1} - 1)^2}_{=C_1(r)} \|M_{k,r}f - f\|_p + \frac{1}{k+2} \beta_k(r) \gamma_n(r) c_n(r) \|M_{n,r}f - f\|_p \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

By our assumption on  $k$  we have

$$\frac{1}{k+2} \gamma_n(r) \leq \rho < 1,$$

with a constant  $\rho$  independent of  $k$  and  $n$ .

Thus

$$\left\{1 - \frac{1}{k+2}\gamma_n(r)\right\}^{-1} \leq \frac{1}{1-\rho}.$$

Furthermore with  $C_2(r) = \frac{(2r+1)!}{(r+1)!r!} \cdot 2^r(3^{r+1}-1)$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{k+2}\beta_k(r)\gamma_n(r)c_n(r) &\leq \rho \cdot \frac{(k-r)!}{(k+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{(n-r-1)!} \cdot C_2(r) \\ &\leq \rho \cdot C_2(r). \end{aligned}$$

Together with (14) we have proved that

$$\beta_n(r) \left\| \tilde{D}^{2(r+1)}g \right\|_p \leq \frac{\beta_n(r)}{\beta_k(r)} \frac{1}{1-\rho} \{C_1(r)\|M_{k,r}f-f\|_p + \rho \cdot C_2(r)\|M_{n,r}f-f\|_p\},$$

which implies our theorem with  $C(r, \rho) = \max \left\{ \frac{C_1(r)}{1-\rho}, \rho \frac{C_2(r)}{1-\rho} \right\}$ .

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