

Regular Families of Kernels for Nonlinear Approximation

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The *Triebel–Lizorkin space* of functions with smoothness $s \in \mathbb{R}_+$ can be defined as follows: let $\phi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ have $[s]$ vanishing moments and $\phi_j(x) := 2^{jd} \phi(2^j x)$, then

$$F_{\tau, q}^s := \left\{ f \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^d) : \|f\|_{F_{\tau, q}^s} := \left\| \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |2^{sj} \phi_j * f|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\|_{L_{\tau}(\mathbb{R}^d)} < \infty \right\}.$$

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- (3) Equivalently, $F_{\tau,q}^s := \{f : \|f\|_{F_{\tau,q}^s} := \|M_{s,q}f\|_{L_\tau(\mathbb{R}^d)} < \infty\}$, with

$$M_{s,q}f(t) := \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |I|^{-\frac{sq}{d}} |f_I|^q \chi_I(t) \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Theorem (DeVore, Jawerth, Popov, '92)

Let ϕ define $F_{\tau,q}^s$, and let

$$\Sigma_N := \left\{ \sum_{(j,k) \in \Lambda} c_{j,k} \phi(2^k \cdot -j) : |\Lambda| = N, (c_{j,k}) \subset \mathbb{C} \right\}.$$

Let $p \in (0, \infty)$. If $\tau = (\frac{1}{p} - \frac{s}{d})^{-1}$ and $q = (1 + \frac{s}{d})^{-1}$, then for every $f \in F_{\tau,q}^s$,

$$\mathcal{E}(f, \Sigma_N)_{L_p} \leq CN^{-\frac{s}{d}} \|f\|_{F_{\tau,q}^s}.$$

Theorem (DeVore, Ron, '10)

For certain ϕ (e.g. surface splines defined by $\phi_m(x) = |x|^{2m-d}$ if d is odd and $\phi_m(x) = |x|^{2m-d} \ln |x|$ if d is even) let

$$\Sigma_N(\phi) := \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^N a_j \phi(\cdot - j) : (a_j) \subset \mathbb{C}, (x_j) \subset \mathbb{R}^d \right\}.$$

Let $p \in [1, \infty)$ and τ and q as before. Then for every $f \in F_{\tau, q}^s$,

$$\mathcal{E}(f, \Sigma_N(\phi))_{L_p} \leq CN^{-\frac{s}{d}} \|f\|_{F_{\tau, q}^s}.$$

Theorem (Hangelbroek, Ron '10)

Let

$$\mathbb{G}_N := \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^N a_j \exp \left(- \left| \frac{\cdot - x_j}{\sigma_j} \right|^2 \right) : (a_j) \subset \mathbb{C}, (x_j) \subset \mathbb{R}^d, (\sigma_j) \subset \mathbb{R}_+ \right\},$$

and $p \in [1, \infty)$. Then for τ, q as above, every $f \in F_{\tau, q}^s$ satisfies

$$\mathcal{E}(f, \mathbb{G}_N)_{L_p} \leq CN^{-\frac{s}{d}} \|f\|_{F_{\tau, q}^s}.$$

Problem

What are conditions on families $(\phi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$, $A \subset \mathbb{R}_+$ such that the approximation space

$$\Phi_N := \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^N \mathbf{a}_j \phi_{\alpha_j}(\cdot - \mathbf{x}_j) : (\mathbf{a}_j) \subset \mathbb{C}, (\mathbf{x}_j) \subset \mathbb{R}^d, (\alpha_j) \subset A \right\}$$

is such that $\mathcal{E}(f, \Phi_N)_{L_p} \leq CN^{-\frac{s}{d}} \|f\|_{F_{\tau,q}^s}$ for the appropriate parameters p, s, τ , and q ?

Decaying Kernel Conditions

(A1) Φ_N is closed under translations and dilations

(A2) ϕ_α is continuous, and $\sup_{\alpha \in A} \|\phi_\alpha\|_{L_\infty} \leq C$.

(A3) $\forall k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and for sufficiently large $\alpha (= \alpha(k))$,

$$\sum_{j \neq 0} \left\| \frac{\widehat{\phi_\alpha}(\cdot + h^{-1}j)}{\widehat{\phi_\alpha}(\cdot)} \right\|_{L_\infty(B)} \leq Ch^k,$$

where C is independent of α .

(A4) $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ and for sufficiently large α , $D^\gamma(1/\widehat{\phi_\alpha}) \in L_2(B)$, for all $|\gamma| \leq k$.

(A5) $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ and for sufficiently large α , $|\phi_\alpha(x)| = O(|x|^{-2k})$, $|x| \rightarrow \infty$.

(A6) The Poisson Summation Formula holds for ϕ_α for every $\alpha \in A$.

Theorem ((H, Ledford))

If $(\phi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$ satisfies **(A1)–(A6)**, then if $p \in [1, \infty]$, $\tau = (\frac{1}{p} - \frac{s}{d})^{-1}$ and $q = (1 + \frac{s}{d})^{-1}$,

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Cardinal Functions: Given ϕ_α , define $\widehat{L}_\alpha(\xi) := \frac{\widehat{\phi}_\alpha(\xi)}{\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \widehat{\phi}_\alpha(\xi - j)}$

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Power Functions: ϕ_α , the 2α -th divided difference of $|x|^\alpha$.

Numerical Experiments

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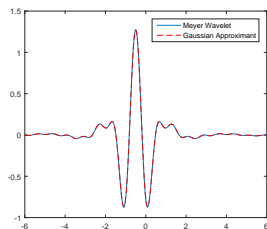
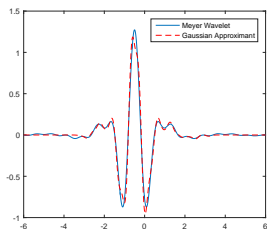


Figure: Gaussian approximation of Meyer mother wavelet with budget $N = 10$ (left) and $N = 50$ (right)

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Random 5-term wavelet expansion from the Meyer wavelet:

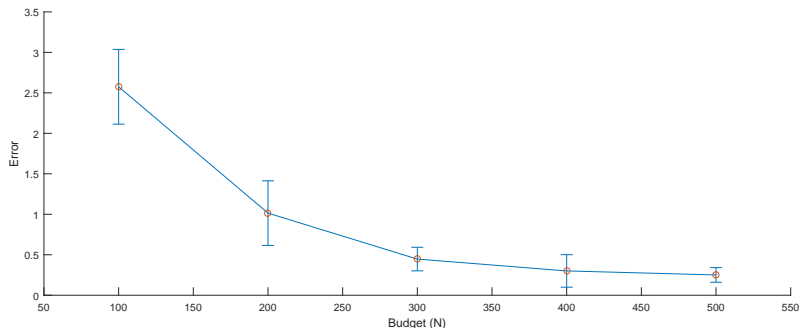


Figure: Average L_∞ error vs. N for Gaussian approximation with $\alpha = 0.2$ of random 5-term wavelet

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- (3) Question: Is there a computationally feasible method to make $S_{f,N} \in \Phi_N$ achieving these approximation rates of $O(N^{-s/d})$?

Thanks!