## APPROXIMATION PROBLEMS BY POSITIVE LINEAR OPERATORS IN FUNCTION SPACES ON UNBOUNDED DOMAINS

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The talk will be devoted to discuss some new Korovkin-type theorems, established in [1] and [2], which hold true in the setting of weighted continuous function spaces  $C_0^w(X)$  and  $C_*^w(X)$  as well as in that one of  $L^p(X,\mu)$  spaces,  $1 \leq p < +\infty$ , where X is a locally compact Hausdorff space, w a weight on X and  $\mu$  a regular positive Borel measure on X. In particular, these results furnishe simple tools to easily construct Korovkin subsets in  $C_0^w(\mathbb{R}^N)$  and  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^N,\mu)$ .

Among other things, we show that, if  $\mu$  is a positive Borel measure on an unbouded locally compact subset of  $\mathbb{R}^N$  and if  $f_0 \in C(X) \cap$  $L^p(X,\mu)$  is a strictly positive function such that  $\|\cdot\|^2 f_0 \in L^p(X,\mu)$ for some  $1 \leq p < +\infty$ , then the subset  $\{f_0, f_0 pr_1, ..., f_0 pr_N, \|\cdot\|^2 f_0\}$ is a Korovkin subset in  $L^p(X,\mu)$  (here  $pr_i$  denotes the *i*-th coordinate function on  $X, 1 \leq i \leq N$ ).

In particular, if  $\mu$  is finite and  $\|\cdot\|^2 \in L^p(X,\mu)$ , then  $\{\mathbf{1}, pr_1, ..., pr_N, \|\cdot\|^2\}$  is a Korovkin subset in  $L^p(X,\mu)$ .

We shall discuss some applications which mainly concern the approximation properties on  $C_0^w(\mathbb{R}^N)$  and on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^N, \mu)$  of a sequence

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of positive linear operators which generalize Gauss-Weierstrass operators and which are defined by

$$G_n(f)(x) := \left(\frac{n}{4\pi\alpha(x)}\right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} f(t) e^{-\frac{n}{4\alpha(x)}\|t-x\|^2} dt,$$

for every real valued Borel measurable function f on  $\mathbb{R}^N$  for which the integral to the right-hand side is absolutely convergent. Here  $\alpha : \mathbb{R}^N \to \mathbb{R}$  is a strictly positive continuous function.

These operators have been introduced and studied in [2]. Among other things, we show that they are a useful tool to approximate not only continuous functions and  $L^p$ -functions, but also the positive semigroups (and hence the solutions of the degenerate diffusion equations) related to multiplicative perturbations of the Laplacian ([3]).

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