

Polynomial Approximation for Infinite-Dimensional Optimization Problems in Lebesgue Spaces

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Motivations

- Translation of the discrete case into the continuous case
- Continuous approximation of large-scale problems
- Optimal Control, Shape Optimization, PDE-constrained Optimization...

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Applications

- Supply problems in continuous time
- Large-scale portfolio allocation problems

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We want :

- (P_n^q) soluble in practice (Part 2)
- Fast convergence of $P_n^{q,*}$ to $F^{q,*}$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$ (Part 3)

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Results Obtained : Case $q = 2$ and $q = \infty \Rightarrow$: structured convex problems.

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How : Introduction of a perturbed polynomial problem :

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$$\|Ap - b\|_2 \leq \epsilon$$

$$\|p\|_q \leq M$$

with $\epsilon > 0$ and $Ap = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{-1}^1 p(t)a_1(t)dt \\ \vdots \\ \int_{-1}^1 p(t)a_L(t)dt \end{pmatrix}$.

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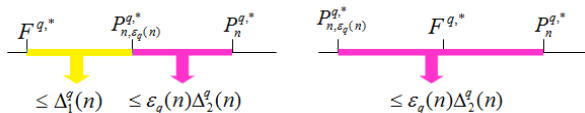
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In the worst case : $F^{q,*} \leq P_n^{q,*} \leq F^{q,*} + \Delta_1^q(n) + \epsilon_q(n) \Delta_2^q(n)$.

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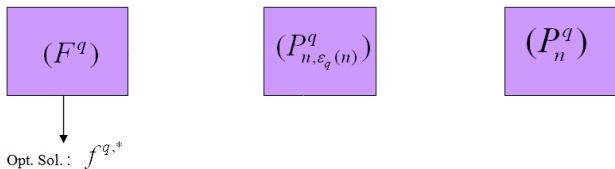
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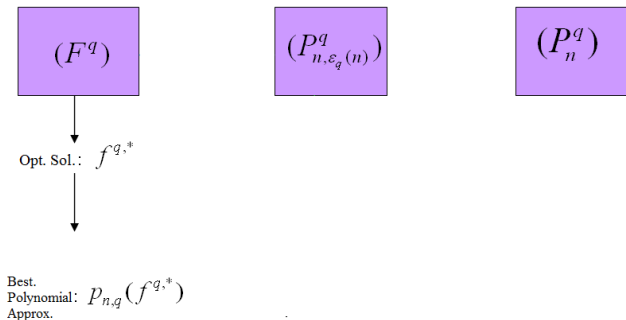
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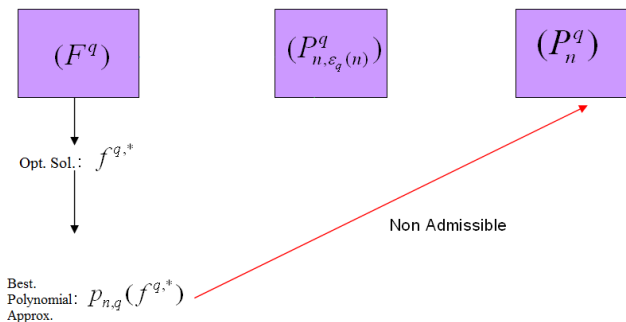
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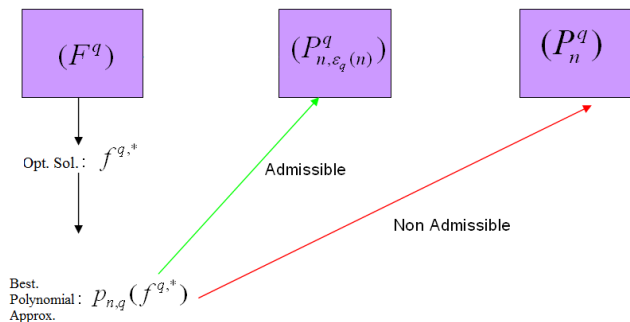
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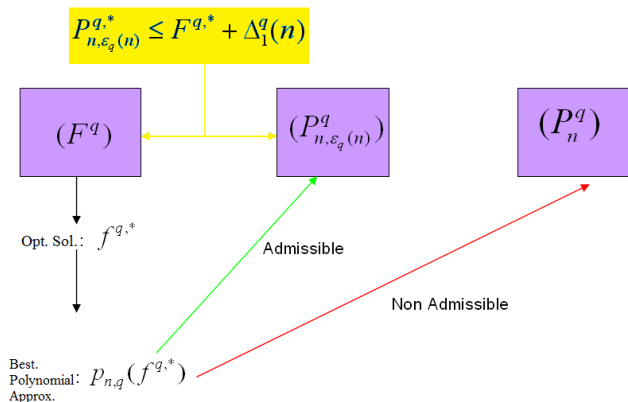
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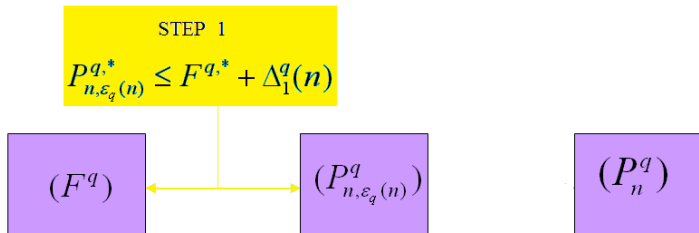
- Possible improvement if $q = 2$,

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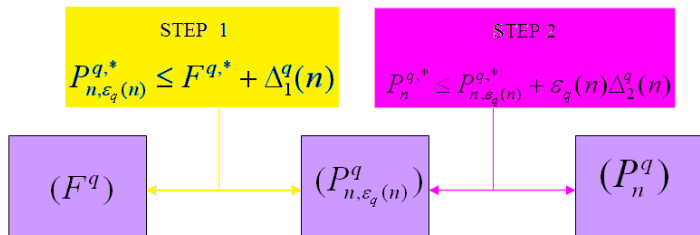
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Tool : Regularity Theorem

Let

- X and Y be two normed vector spaces
- $A : X \rightarrow Y$ be a linear application
- $b \in Y$
- $Q \subset X$ be convex, closed, bounded with non empty interior

Let's consider the optimization problems :

$$g^* = \inf \langle x, c \rangle$$

$$Ax = b$$

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$$g_\epsilon^* = \inf \langle x, c \rangle$$

$$\|Ax - b\|_Y \leq \epsilon$$

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- **H.1** : $A : X \rightarrow Y$ is non degenerate which means :

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with $\mathcal{L} = \{x \in X : Ax = b\}$ and $\sigma > 0$

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$$B(\hat{x}, \rho) \subset Q \subset B(\hat{x}, R)$$

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Purpose : Use to link $P_n^{q,*}$ and $P_{n,\epsilon}^{q,*}$.

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Satisfaction of the hypothesis :

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with $\sigma = \sigma_n = \sqrt{\lambda_{\min}(A_n A_n^T)} > 0 \quad \forall n \geq N_1$ where
 $A_n = A|_{\pi^n([-1,1])}$.
- If there are N_2 and $\hat{p} \in \pi^{N_2}([-1,1])$ such that $A\hat{p} = b$ and
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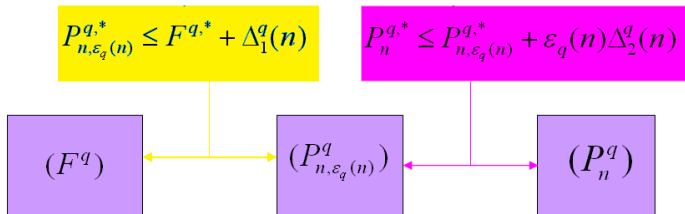
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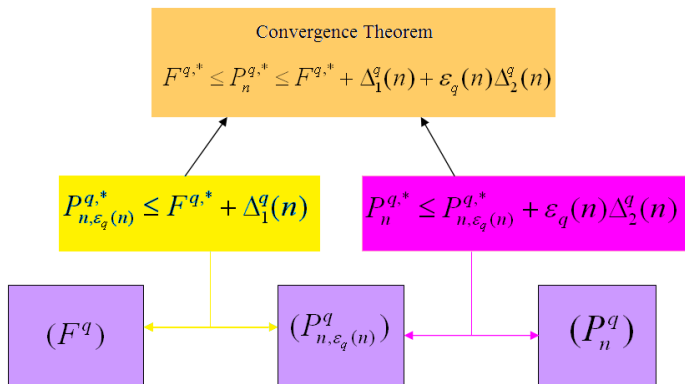
$$P_n^{q,*} \leq P_{n,\epsilon}^{q,*} + \epsilon \overbrace{\frac{\|\gamma\|_q' \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^L \left\| \sum_{j=0}^n \langle a_i, L_j \rangle L_j \right\|_q^2}}{\sigma_n^2}}^{\Delta_2^q(n)} \left(1 + \frac{2M}{M - \mathcal{R}_n^q} \right)$$

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If the a_i and $\gamma \in C^{r-1,r-1}$ then $P_n^{2,*} \rightarrow F^{2,*}$ in $O(\frac{1}{n^{2r}})$

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- the polynomial problems (P_n^q) are strictly admissible from a definite threshold

then for all $n \geq N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$:

$$\begin{aligned} |F^{q,*} - P_n^{q,*}| &\leq \Delta_1^q(n) + \epsilon_q(n) \Delta_2^q(n) = \\ 2E_n(f^{q,*})_q \|\gamma\|_{q'} &\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^L \|a_i\|_{q'}^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^L \left\| \sum_{j=0}^n \langle a_i, L_j \rangle L_j \right\|_q^2}}{\sigma_n^2} \left(1 + \frac{2M}{M - \mathcal{R}_n^q} \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

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- If $q < +\infty$

We know : $E_n(f)_q \rightarrow 0$ for all $f \in L^q([-1, 1])$

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- If $q = +\infty$

We know : $E_n(f)_\infty \rightarrow 0$ iff $f \in \mathcal{C}([-1, 1])$

We conclude : the convergence is not guaranteed.

Case $q \neq 2$: Convergence of $P_n^{q,*}$ of $F^{q,*}$ (3)

Convergence speed

We know : If $f \in \mathcal{C}^{r-1,r-1}([-1, 1])$: $E_n(f)_q = O(\frac{1}{n^r})$

We conclude :

If $f^{q,*} \in \mathcal{C}^{r-1,r-1}$ then $P_n^{q,*} \rightarrow F^{q,*}$ in $O(\frac{1}{n^r})$.

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Further researchs

- Improve, if possible, the convergence bound obtained in the case $q = \infty$
- Obtain a translation of the problems (P_n^q) for $q \neq 2$ and $q \neq \infty$ in a convex structured problem
- Generalize the polynomial approximation scheme for other classes of infinite problems (derivatives, punctual constraints,...)

Thanks for your attention !

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