

## A RAFU linear space uniformly dense in $C[a, b]$

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### ABSTRACT

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*In this paper we prove that a RAFU (radical functions) linear space,  $\mathfrak{C}$ , is uniformly dense in  $C[a, b]$  by means of a  $S$ -separation condition of certain subsets of  $[a, b]$  due to Blasco-Moltó. This linear space is not a lattice or an algebra.*

*Given an arbitrary function  $f \in C[a, b]$  we will obtain easily the sequence  $(C_n)_n$  of  $\mathfrak{C}$  that converges uniformly to  $f$  and we will show the degree of uniform approximation to  $f$  with  $(C_n)_n$ .*

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $K$  be a compact Hausdorff space. The Kakutani-Stone Theorem [10] gives a necessary and sufficient condition for the density of a lattice of  $C(K)$  in the topology of the uniform convergence on  $K$ . The Stone-Weierstrass Theorem [7] provides a necessary and sufficient condition under which an algebra of  $C(K)$  is uniformly dense. Nevertheless, the above conditions are not sufficient to ensure the uniform density of a linear space of  $C(K)$ . Tietze [5], Jameson [4], Mrowka [11], Blasco-Moltó [6], Garrido-Montalvo [8] and recently Gassó-Hernández-Rojas [9] have studied the uniform approximation for linear spaces.

In the Section 2 we will construct a RAFU (Radical functions) linear space,  $\mathfrak{C}$ , in  $C[a, b]$  and we will prove that  $\mathfrak{C}$  is uniformly dense in  $C[a, b]$  by using a  $S$ -separation condition according to Blasco-Moltó [6]. We will also see that the uniform density of  $\mathfrak{C}$  in  $C[a, b]$  is not a consequence of the results given by Kakutani-Stone, Stone-Weierstrass, Tietze, Jameson, or Mrowka.

It is true that Blasco-Moltó showed an example of a linear space,  $\mathcal{F}$ , uniformly dense in  $C[0, 1]$  by using the  $S$ -separation condition but some questions were not studied: the linear combinations of elements belonging to  $\mathcal{F}$  which approximate uniformly every  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and the degree of uniform approximation that  $\mathcal{F}$  provides were unknown. In the Section 3 we will solve these problems by using the RAFU linear space  $\mathfrak{L}$ . Moreover, this linear space  $\mathfrak{L}$  can be used as an example of approximation by series in the work of Gassó-Hernández-Rojas.

## 2. A RAFU LINEAR SPACE UNIFORMLY DENSE IN $C[a, b]$

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we consider the partition  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  of  $[a, b]$  with  $x_j = a + j \cdot \frac{b-a}{n}$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, n$  and we define in  $[a, b]$  the functions

$$(2.1) \quad C_n(x) = k_1 + \sum_{i=2}^n (k_i - k_{i-1}) \cdot F_n(x_{i-1}, x)$$

where  $\{k_i\}_{i=1}^n$  are a family of real arbitrary numbers and

$$(2.2) \quad F_n(x_{i-1}, x) = \frac{{}^{2n+1}\sqrt{x_{i-1} - x_0} + {}^{2n+1}\sqrt{x - x_{i-1}}}{{}^{2n+1}\sqrt{x_n - x_{i-1}} + {}^{2n+1}\sqrt{x_{i-1} - x_0}}, \quad i = 2, \dots, n$$

We designate by  $\mathfrak{L}_n$  the subset of  $C[a, b]$  formed by the functions  $C_n$  and we also denote by  $\mathfrak{L}$  the set  $\mathfrak{L} = \cup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathfrak{L}_n$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** *The set  $\mathfrak{L}$  is a linear space included in  $C[a, b]$ .*

*Proof.* It is clear that  $\mathfrak{L} \subset C[a, b]$ . In the first place it is easy to check that  $\mathfrak{L}_n$  is a linear space  $n$ -dimensional because  $n$  is fixed and hence the values  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$  are the same points. Moreover, a basis of  $\mathfrak{L}_n$  is  $\{1, F_n(x_1, x), \dots, F_n(x_{n-1}, x)\}$ .

$\mathfrak{L}$  is a linear space. Let  $C_p$  and  $C_q$  be two elements belonging to  $\mathfrak{L}$ . Then,  $C_p \in \mathfrak{L}_{r,p}$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $C_q \in \mathfrak{L}_{s,q}$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{N}$  by considering zero the coefficients  $(k_i - k_{i-1})$  of the functions  $F_n(x_{i-1}, x)$  that do not appear on the expressions of  $C_p$  or  $C_q$ . In particular,  $C_p$  and  $C_q$  belong to the linear space  $\mathfrak{L}_{p,q}$  and, of course,  $C_p + C_q \in \mathfrak{L}$ . Finally, it is immediate to check that if  $C_p \in \mathfrak{L}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $\lambda \cdot C_p \in \mathfrak{L}$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.2.** A RAFU linear space is a linear space whose basis is formed by radical functions of the type (2.2). We will say that  $\mathfrak{L}$  is a RAFU linear space.

The theorems of uniform approximation in  $C(K)$  for lattices are known as Kakutani-Stone theorems (the interested reader can see [10], [7], [12]).

The family  $\mathfrak{L}$  is not a lattice. In fact, in the interval  $[-1, 1]$  the function  $C(x) = \sqrt[3]{x} \in \mathfrak{L}$  but  $|C(x)| \notin \mathfrak{L}$  because at  $x = 0$  its side derivatives do not have the same sign. Therefore, the family  $\mathfrak{L}$  does not satisfy the Kakutani-Stone theorems.

The theorems of uniform approximation in  $C(K)$  for algebras are known as Stone-Weierstrass theorems (the interested reader can see [7], [12]).

A simple count proves that  $\mathfrak{C}$  is not an algebra, therefore the set  $\mathfrak{C}$  does not verify the Stone-Weierstrass theorems.

Let  $X$  be a topological space and let  $C^*(X)$  be the set consisting of all bounded continuous functions and let  $C(X)$  be the set consisting of all continuous functions.

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a family of  $C^*(X)$ . We say that

- (1) A *zero-set* in  $X$  is a set of the form  $Z(f) = \{x \in X : f(x) = 0\}$  with  $f \in C^*(X)$ .
- (2) The *Lebesgue-sets* of  $f \in C(X)$  are the sets  $L_\alpha(f) = \{x \in X : f(x) \leq \alpha\}$  and  $L^\beta(f) = \{x \in X : f(x) \geq \beta\}$  where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are real numbers.
- (3)  $\mathcal{F}$   $S_1$ -separates the subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$  when there is  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $0 \leq f \leq 1$  such that  $f(x) = 0$  if  $x \in A$  and  $f(x) = 1$  if  $x \in B$ .
- (4) (Blasco-Moltó [?]).  $\mathcal{F}$   $S$ -separates the subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$  if for each  $\delta > 0$ , there is  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $0 \leq f \leq 1$  for every  $x \in X$ ,  $f(A) \subset [0, \delta]$  and  $f(B) \subset [1 - \delta, 1]$ .
- (5) (Garrido-Montalvo [?]).  $\mathcal{F}$   $S'$ -separates the subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$  if for each  $\delta > 0$ , there is  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $-\delta \leq f \leq 1 + \delta$  for every  $x \in X$ ,  $f(A) \subset [-\delta, \delta]$  and  $f(B) \subset [1 - \delta, 1 + \delta]$ .
- (6) Given a series of continuous functions  $\sum_{i \in I} f_i$  on  $X$ , the series is *locally convergent*, for every  $x \in X$ , if there is a neighborhood  $U$  of  $x$  such that the series converges uniformly on  $U$ . For  $E \subset C(X)$ ,  $\sum(E)$  is the set of all  $f \in C(X)$  such that  $f = \sum_{i \in I} f_i$  with  $f_i \in E$  for every  $i \in I$  and  $\sum_{i \in I} f_i$  is a locally convergent series.  $\overline{\sum(E)}$  denotes the uniform closure of  $\sum(E)$ .

**Theorem 2.4** (Tietze [5], Mrowka [11]). *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a linear space of  $C^*(X)$ .  $\mathcal{F}$  is uniformly dense in  $C^*(X)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F}$   $S_1$ -separates every pair of disjoint zero-sets in  $X$ .*

**Theorem 2.5** (Jameson [4]). *Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a linear space of  $C^*(X)$ .  $\mathcal{F}$  is uniformly dense in  $C^*(X)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F}$   $S_1$ -separates every pair of disjoint closed subsets in  $X$ .*

By the properties of the functions of the linear space  $\mathfrak{C}$  it is possible to deduce that we cannot apply to  $\mathfrak{C}$  the results of Tietze, Mrowka or Jameson.

**Theorem 2.6** (Blasco-Moltó [6]). *Let  $X$  be a topological space. A linear space  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $C^*(X)$  is uniformly dense in  $C^*(X)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F}$   $S$ -separates every pair of disjoint zero-sets in  $X$ .*

We go to see that we can apply this theorem to prove the uniform density of  $\mathfrak{C}$  in  $C[a, b]$ . Let us consider in  $[a, b]$  the step function defined by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} k_1 & a \leq x \leq x_1 \\ k_2 & x_1 < x \leq b \end{cases}$ ,  $k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ . If we calculate, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the expressions of the radical functions  $c_n(x) = M_n + N_n \cdot \sqrt[n+1]{x - x_1}$  that are obtained by the conditions  $c_n(a) = k_1$  and  $c_n(b) = k_2$ , we obtain  $N_n = \frac{k_2 - k_1}{\sqrt[n+1]{b - x_1} + \sqrt[n+1]{x_1 - a}}$

and  $M_n = k_1 + \frac{(k_2 - k_1) \cdot 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_1 - a}}{2^{n+1} \sqrt{b - x_1} + 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_1 - a}}$ . In this case, an elementary count shows

that the sequence  $(c_n)_n$  satisfies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} c_n(x) = \begin{cases} k_1 & a \leq x < x_1 \\ \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2} & x = x_1 \\ k_2 & x < x \leq b \end{cases}$

Now, we will consider an arbitrary step function in  $[a, b]$

$$(2.3) \quad f(x) = k_1 \cdot \chi_{[x_0, x_1]} + \sum_{i=2}^m k_i \cdot \chi_{(x_{i-1}, x_i]}$$

where  $k_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$  and  $x \in [x_0 = a, x_m = b]$ . By an elementary count we can write (2.3) in the form  $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(x)$  where  $f_1(x) = k_1 \cdot \chi_{[x_0, x_m]}$  and  $f_p(x) = (k_p - k_{p-1}) \cdot \chi_{(x_{p-1}, x_m]}$ ,  $p = 2, \dots, m$ .

For each  $f_p$  we construct its sequence of radical functions  $(c_{p,n})_n$ . For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the corresponding sequence for  $f_1$  is  $c_{1,n}(x) = k_1$  and for  $f_p$ , with  $p > 1$ , we obtain  $c_{p,n}(x) = M_{p,n} + N_{p,n} \cdot 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x - x_{p-1}}$  where  $N_{p,n}$  and  $M_{p,n}$  are given

by  $N_{p,n} = \frac{k_p - k_{p-1}}{2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_m - x_{p-1}} + 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_{p-1} - x_0}}$  and  $M_{p,n} = \frac{(k_p - k_{p-1}) \cdot 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_{p-1} - x_0}}{2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_m - x_{p-1}} + 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_{p-1} - x_0}}$ .

Finally, if we denote by  $(C_{m,n})_n$  to the sequence  $C_{m,n}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m c_{i,n}(x)$

then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} C_{m,n}(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x \in [x_0, x_m] - \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m-1}\} \\ \frac{k_p + k_{p+1}}{2} & x = x_p, p = 1, \dots, m-1 \end{cases}$  by

elementary properties of the limits.

**Proposition 2.7.** *Let  $f$  be the function defined by (2.3). For any  $\beta > 0$  such that  $(x_i - \beta, x_i + \beta) \cap (x_j - \beta, x_j + \beta) = \emptyset$  where  $i \neq j$  and  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, m-1\}$  the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} C_{m,n} = f$  is uniform on  $[x_0, x_1 - \beta] \cup [x_1 + \beta, x_2 - \beta] \cup \dots \cup [x_{m-1} + \beta, x_m]$ .*

*Proof. 1st part.* It verifies that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x} = \begin{cases} -1 & x \in [-M, -\frac{1}{K}] \\ 1 & x \in [\frac{1}{K}, M] \end{cases}$

where  $M$  and  $K$  are large positive real numbers. Moreover, the limit becomes uniform.

The function  $h_n(x) = 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x}$  is strictly increasing on  $\mathbb{R}$ , therefore  $h_n(-M) \leq h_n(x) \leq h_n(-\frac{1}{K})$  for  $x \in [-M, -\frac{1}{K}]$  and fixed  $\epsilon > 0$  it is possible to find  $n_{M,K} \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $n \geq n_{M,K}$  then  $-1 - \epsilon < h_n(-M) \leq h_n(x) \leq h_n(-\frac{1}{K}) < -1 + \epsilon$ . In other words,  $|h_n(x) + 1| < \epsilon$ . Analogous, we obtain  $|h_n(x) - 1| < \epsilon$  on  $[\frac{1}{K}, M]$ .

**2nd part.** Given a partition  $P = \{a = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_m = b\}$  of  $[a, b]$  with  $a < x_1 < \dots < b$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $p = 2, \dots, m$  we define in  $[a, b]$  the function

$$F_n(x_{p-1}, m, x) = \frac{2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_{p-1} - x_0} + 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x - x_{p-1}}}{2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_m - x_{p-1}} + 2^{n+1} \sqrt{x_{p-1} - x_0}}$$

Then, it follows that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x_{p-1}, m, x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < x_{p-1} \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = x_{p-1}, p = 2, \dots, m \\ 1 & x > x_{p-1} \end{cases}$

and these limits are uniform on  $[x_0, x_1 - \beta] \cup [x_1 + \beta, x_2 - \beta] \cup \dots \cup [x_{m-1} + \beta, x_m]$

The first assertion is consequence of the elementary properties of the limits and the second is obtained by aplying the first part and take into account that for each  $p = 2, \dots, m$  only a root of  $F_n(x_{p-1}, m, x)$  depends upon  $x$ .

**3rd part.** By the second part and the definitions of  $C_{m,n}$  and  $f$  we obtain the result which we want to prove.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.8.** *Let  $\beta > 0$  be such that  $(x_i - \beta, x_i + \beta) \cap (x_j - \beta, x_j + \beta) = \emptyset$  where  $i \neq j$  and  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, m-1\}$ . Then, for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for  $n > n_0$  it follows that*

1.  $|C_{m,n}(x) - f(x)| < |k_{j+1} - k_j| + \varepsilon$
  2.  $|C_{m,n}(x) - (k_j \cdot (1 - \alpha) + k_{j+1} \cdot \alpha)| < \varepsilon$
- where  $x \in (x_j - \beta, x_j + \beta)$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, m-1$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ .

*Proof. 1st Part.* Let  $x \in (x_j - \beta, x_j + \beta)$  be,  $j = 1, \dots, m-1$ . By the Proposition 2.7 the sequence  $(F_n)_n$  converges uniformly to 1 as  $p-1 < j$  and to 0 as  $p-1 > j$ .

Moreover there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall n > n_0$  the function  $(k_{j+1} - k_j) F_n(x_{p-1}, m, x)$  transforms the interval  $(x_j - \beta, x_j + \beta)$  into the interval  $(0, (k_{j+1} - k_j))$ . The rest is obtained by the elementary properties of the limits and the definition of  $C_{m,n}(x)$ .

**2nd Part.** It is analogous to the 1st part by considering  $\forall n > n_0$  the function  $(k_{j+1} - k_j) F_n(x_{p-1}, m, x)$  attains on  $(x_j - \beta, x_j + \beta)$  the values  $(k_{j+1} - k_j) \cdot \alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.9.** *The RAFU linear space  $\mathfrak{C}$  is uniformly dense in  $C[a, b]$ .*

*Proof.* Consider the family  $\mathcal{L}$  of all sets which are finite unions of disjoint compact intervals. First, we will prove that  $\mathfrak{C}$   $S$ -separates every pair of disjoint sets of  $\mathcal{L}$ . Clearly, it suffices to prove the following fact: *Given  $\delta > 0$  and the intervals  $[\alpha_1, \beta_i]$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,  $m \geq 2$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha_j < \beta_j < \alpha_{j+1} < 1$ , there is a function  $f$  in  $\mathfrak{C}$  such that  $0 \leq f(x) \leq 1$  for every  $x \in [a, b]$ ,  $f([\alpha_i, \beta_i]) \subset [0, \delta]$  for  $i$  odd and  $f([\alpha_i, \beta_i]) \subset [1 - \delta, 1]$  for  $i$  even,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ .*

Consider a partition  $P = \{x_i\}_0^n$  of  $[a, b]$  with  $x_j = a + j \cdot \frac{b-a}{n}$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, n$  such that  $\beta_j < x_p < \alpha_{j+1}$  for every  $j$  and some  $x_p$ . We also consider a step function  $h$  defined in  $[a, b]$  from the values  $x_j$  such that  $h(x) = 0$  or  $h(x) = 1$  for every  $x \in [a, b]$  but verifying that  $h([x_s, x_t]) = 0$  when  $[\alpha_i, \beta_i] \subset [x_s, x_t]$  and  $i$  is odd,  $h([x_k, x_l]) = 1$  when  $[\alpha_i, \beta_i] \subset [x_k, x_l]$  and  $i$  is even,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ .

Fixed an appropriate value  $\beta \leq \min \left\{ \frac{|x_p - \beta_j|}{2}, \frac{|\alpha_{j+1} - x_p|}{2} \right\}$  and given  $\delta > 0$  we can choose suitable partitions of  $[a, b]$  into  $2kn$  intervals, if it was necessary for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , supporting the previous conditions and, by the propositions 2.7 and 2.8, we can obtain a function  $C_{2kn} \in \mathfrak{C}$  such that  $0 \leq C_{2kn}(x) \leq$

1 and  $|C_{2kn} - h| < \delta$ , that is to say,  $C_{2kn}([\alpha_i, \beta_i]) \subset [0, \delta]$  for  $i$  odd and  $C_{2kn}([\alpha_i, \beta_i]) \subset [1 - \delta, 1]$  for  $i$  even.

Next, we will prove that  $\mathfrak{C}$   $S$ -separates every pair of disjoint *zero-sets*  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  of  $[a, b]$ . Since  $\mathcal{L}$  is a basis for the closed sets of  $[a, b]$  we have  $Z_1 = \bigcap \{B \in \mathcal{L} : Z_1 \subset B\}$ . As  $Z_2$  is compact the family  $\{Z_2\} \cup \{B \in \mathcal{L} : Z_1 \subset B\}$  does not have the finite intersection property. Therefore  $Z_2 \cap B_1 \cap \dots \cap B_p = \emptyset$ , for some  $B_i \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $Z_i \subset B_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq p$ . Since  $\mathcal{L}$  is closed under finite intersections it follows that  $B' = B_1 \cap \dots \cap B_p \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $Z_1 \subset B'$  and  $B' \cap Z_2 = \emptyset$ . In the same way we find  $B'' \in \mathcal{L}$ , such that  $Z_2 \subset B''$  and  $B' \cap B'' = \emptyset$ . Since  $\mathfrak{C}$   $S$ -separates  $B'$  and  $B''$ , by Blasco-Moltó's Theorem,  $\mathfrak{C}$  is uniformly dense in  $C[a, b]$ .  $\square$

The  $S$ -separation of subsets is equivalent to the  $S'$ -separation of subsets in linear spaces containing constant functions (Garrido-Montalvo [8]). Clearly  $\mathfrak{C}$  contains the constant functions, therefore we can also deduce the uniform density of  $\mathfrak{C}$  in  $C[a, b]$  by using the  $S'$ -separation condition of every pair of disjoint *zero-sets* in  $X$ .

### 3. THE DEGREE OF UNIFORM APPROXIMATION WITH THE RAFU LINEAR SPACE

Blasco-Moltó [6] proved that the linear subspace  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $C[0, 1]$  generated by the functions

$$\{\exp((x + \mu)^n) : \mu \in \mathbb{R}, x \in [0, 1], n = 0, 1, 3, \dots, 2k + 1, \dots\}$$

is uniformly dense in  $C[0, 1]$ , but the linear combinations which approximate uniformly a function  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and the degree of uniform approximation that  $\mathcal{F}$  provides were not studied.

The following result has been proved recently in the **XXII CEDYA-XII CMA** [2] and solves these two problems by considering the linear space  $\mathfrak{C}$

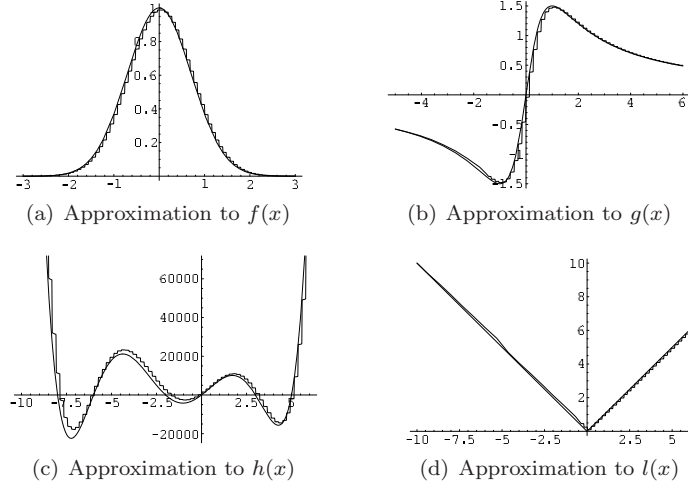
**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $f$  be a continuous function defined on  $[a, b]$  and let  $P = \{x_0 = a, x_1, \dots, x_n = b\}$  be a partition of  $[a, b]$  with  $x_j = a + j \cdot \frac{b-a}{n}$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, n$ . Then,*

$$\|C_n - f\| \leq \frac{M - m}{\sqrt{n}} + \omega\left(\frac{b-a}{n}\right), \quad n \geq 2$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  denotes the uniform norm,  $M$  and  $m$  are the maximum and the minimum of  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  respectively,  $\omega(\delta)$  its modulus of continuity and  $C_n(x)$  is defined for all  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  by  $C_n(x) = f(a) + \sum_{j=2}^n [f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})] \cdot F_n(x_{j-1}, x)$

Let us observe that the values  $\{k_i\}_{i=1}^n$  of (2.1) becomes  $\{f(x_i)\}_{i=1}^n$  in this case.

**Theorem 3.2** (Gassó-Hernández-Rojas [9]). *Let  $A$  be a subset of  $C(X)$  and  $E$  a linear space of  $C(X)$  which  $S$ -separates Lebesgue-sets of  $A$ . Then the sublattice generated by  $A$  is contained in  $\overline{\sum(E)}$ .*

FIGURE 1. Approximation with the RAFU linear space  $\mathfrak{C}$ 

The RAFU linear space  $\mathfrak{C}$  satisfies the Theorem 3.1 when  $X = [a, b]$  because every *Lebesgue-set* is also a *zero-set* since  $L_\alpha(f) = Z((f - \alpha) \vee 0)$  and  $L^\beta(f) = Z((f - \beta) \wedge 0)$  and we have proved that  $\mathfrak{C}$   $S$ -separates every pair of disjoint *zero-sets*  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  of  $[a, b]$ . In this case, if  $A = C(X)$  we can say that  $C(X)$  is contained in  $\overline{\mathfrak{C}}$ . In fact, given  $f \in C[a, b]$ , we already knew that  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n(x)$  where  $c_n \in \mathfrak{C}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and the series converges uniformly.

**Example 3.3.** Given the functions  $f(x) = e^{-x^2}$  on  $[-3, 3]$ ,  $g(x) = \frac{3x}{x^2+1}$  on  $[-5, 6]$ ,  $h(x) = 5(x+8)(x+6)(x+2)x(x-3)(x-5)$  on  $[-10, 6]$  and  $l(x) = |x|$  on  $[-10, 6]$ , the Figure 1 shows the graphics of these functions together with their approximations by means of its respective radical function  $C_{75}$  belonging to the RAFU linear space  $\mathfrak{C}$ .

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

The RAFU method is an original and unknown procedure of uniform approximation on  $C[a, b]$ . This method improves the instability of the polynomial interpolation and it is based in the use of radical functions to approximate any continuous function defined in  $[a, b]$ . We have constructed a linear Space  $\mathfrak{C}$  uniformly dense on  $C[a, b]$  and this linear space is not a lattice or an algebra. At the moment, the proof of this result was direct but in this work we have proved that  $\mathfrak{C}$  is uniformly dense on  $C[a, b]$  by using a  $S$ -separation condition due to Blasco-Moltó [6] or an equivalent  $S'$ -separation condition due to Garrido-Montalvo [8]. We already knew another example of a linear space uniformly dense by using these separation conditions [6] but by considering the set  $\mathfrak{C}$ , we can know easily the linear combinations of elements belonging to

$\mathfrak{C}$  which approximate uniformly every  $f \in C[a, b]$  and the degree of uniform approximation that  $\mathfrak{C}$  provides.

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