

## On Weighted $L^p$ – Approximation by Weighted Bernstein-Durrmeyer Operators

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**Abstract.** In the present paper, we establish direct and converse theorems for weighted Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators under weighted  $L^p$ -norm with Jacobi weight  $w(x) = x^\alpha(1-x)^\beta$ . All the results involved have no restriction  $\alpha, \beta < 1 - \frac{1}{p}$ , which indicates that the weighted Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators have some better approximation properties than the usual Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators.

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### 1 Introduction

Let

$$w(x) = x^\alpha(1-x)^\beta, \quad \alpha, \beta > -1, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1,$$

be the classical Jacobi weights. Let

$$L_w^p := \begin{cases} \{f : wf \in L^p(0,1)\}, & 1 \leq p < \infty, \\ \{f : f \in C(0,1), \lim_{x(1-x) \rightarrow 0} (wf)(x) = 0\}, & p = \infty. \end{cases}$$

Set

$$\|f\|_{p,w,I} = \begin{cases} \left( \int_I |(wf)(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}, & 1 \leq p < \infty, \\ \sup_{x \in I} |(wf)(x)|, & p = \infty. \end{cases}$$

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When  $I = [0,1]$ , we briefly write  $\|f\|_{p,w}$  instead of  $\|f\|_{p,w,[0,1]}$ . Obviously,  $\|f\|_{p,w}$  is the norm of  $L_w^p$  spaces.

For any  $f \in L^p([0,1])$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , the corresponding Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators  $M_n(f, x)$  are defined as follows:

$$M_n(f, x) = (n+1) \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n,k}(x) \int_0^1 p_{n,k}(t) f(t) dt, \quad x \in [0,1],$$

where

$$p_{n,k}(x) = \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k}, \quad x \in [0,1], \quad k=0,1,\dots,n.$$

The approximation properties of  $M_n(f, x)$  in  $L_w^p$  were also studied by Zhang (see [9]). Some approximation results were given under the restrictions

$$-\frac{1}{p} < \alpha, \beta < 1 - \frac{1}{p}$$

on the weight parameters. Generally speaking, the restrictions can not be eliminated for the approximation by  $M_n(f, x)$ . For the weighted approximation by Kantorovich-Bernstein operators defined by

$$K_n(f, x) := \sum_{k=0}^n (n+1) \int_{\frac{k}{n+1}}^{\frac{k+1}{n+1}} f(u) du p_{nk}(x),$$

the situation is similar (see [5]). Recently, Della Vecchia, Mastroianni and Szabados (see [2]) introduced a weighted generalization of the  $K_n(f, x)$  as follows:

$$K_n^\#(f, x) := \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\int_{I_k} (wf)(t) dt}{\int_{I_k} w(t) dt} p_{nk}(x), \quad x \in [0,1]. \quad (1.1)$$

When  $\alpha = \beta = 0$ ,  $K_n^\#(f, x)$  reduces to the classical Kantorovich-Bernstein operator  $K_n(f, x)$ . Della Vecchia, Mastroianni and Szabados obtained the direct and converse theorems and a Voronovskaya-type relation in [2], and solved the saturation problem of the operator in [3]. Their results showed that  $K_n^\#(f, x)$  allows a wider class of functions than the operator  $K_n(f, x)$ . In fact, they dropped the restrictions  $\alpha, \beta < 1 - \frac{1}{p}$  on the weight parameters. Later, Yu (see [8]) introduced another kind of modified Bernstein-Kantorovich operators, and established direct and converse results on weighted approximation which also have no restrictions  $\alpha, \beta < 1 - \frac{1}{p}$ .

Then, a natural question is: can we modified the Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators properly such that the restrictions  $\alpha, \beta < 1 - \frac{1}{p}$  on weighted approximation can be dropped? In the present paper, we will show that the weighted Bernstein-Durrmeyer operator