

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