

## On approximation of Bernstein-Stancu operators in movable interval

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**Abstract.** In the present paper, we obtain the converse results of approximation of a newly introduced genuine Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators in movable interval. We also get the moments properties of an auxiliary operator which has its own independent values. The moments of the auxiliary operators play important roles in establishing the main result (Theorem 4).

### §1 Introduction

For any given  $f \in C_{[0,1]}$ , define

$$U_n(f, x) := f(0)p_{n,0}(x) + f(1)p_{n,n}(x) + (n-1) \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} p_{n,k}(x) \int_0^1 p_{n-2,k-1}(t)f(t)dt, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $p_{n,k}(x) = \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , are the Bernstein fundamental polynomials. As we know,  $U_n(f, x)$  are the so-called genuine Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators, which first appeared in the papers of Goodman and Sharma [15] and Chen [7]. The operators  $U_n(f)$  are limits of the Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators with Jacobi weights. One of the advantages of  $U_n(f, x)$  compared to the usual Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators is that  $U_n(f, x)$  can reproduce the linear functions. Lots of authors have done many excellent works on the degree of approximation, Voronovskaja's asymptotic estimate, the eigenstructure of the  $U_n(f, x)$  and its generalizations (see [2]-[4], [11]-[14], [16]-[25], [29], [30]).

Recently, we [27] introduced a new type of genuine Bernstein-Durrmeyer operators in movable interval  $A_n := \left[ \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta}, \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} \right]$ . Our new operators are defined as follows:

$$U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) := \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n f \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) q_{n,0}(x) + \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n f \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) q_{n,n}(x)$$

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$$+ \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} q_{n,k}(x) \int_{A_{n-2}} q_{n-2,k-1}(t) f \left( \frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \left( t - \frac{2\alpha}{n(n-2+\beta)} \right) \right) dt, \quad (1.2)$$

where  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \beta$  are fixed numbers,

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{n-2} &:= \left( \frac{n-2}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \frac{1}{n-1}, \\ q_{n,k}(x) &:= \binom{n}{k} \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

For convenience, write  $\bar{x} := x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta}$ . Then,  $q_{n,k}(x)$  can be rewritten as follows:

$$q_{n,k}(x) = \binom{n}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n.$$

When  $t \in A_{n-2}$ , we have

$$\frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \left( t - \frac{2\alpha}{n(n-2+\beta)} \right) \in A_n.$$

So,  $U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x)$  is well defined in  $A_n$ . We obtained the approximation rate for continuous functions and Voronovskaja's asymptotic estimate of the new operators in [27].

For the approximation rate of  $U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x)$  for  $f \in C(A_n)$ , we have

**Theorem 1.** Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$  be a fixed number. For any  $f \in C(A_n)$ , there is a positive constant only depending on  $\lambda, \alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that

$$\left| U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x) - f(x) \right| \leq C \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2 \left( f, \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \right), \quad (1.3)$$

where  $\varphi_n(x) := \sqrt{\bar{x} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)}$ .

We also have the following Voronovskaja's asymptotic estimate of  $U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x)$ :

**Theorem 2.** Let  $f \in C(A_n)$ . If  $f''$  exists at a point  $x \in A_n$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left( U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x) - f(x) \right) = \frac{\varphi_n^2(x)}{2} f''(x).$$

The main purpose of the present paper is to establish the converse result of approximation by  $U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x)$  (see Theorem 4, section 3). To prove the main result, we need the moments properties of the following auxiliarly operators:

$$S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x) := \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \sum_{k=0}^n f \left( \frac{k+\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) q_{n,k}(x), \quad (1.4)$$

where  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \beta$  are fixed numbers.  $S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x)$  is a special case of the following generalized Bernstein-Stancu operators with four parameters which were introduced by Gadjiev and Ghorbanalizadeh [10]:

$$B_{n,\alpha,\beta}(f; x) = \left( \frac{n+\beta_2}{n} \right)^n \sum_{k=0}^n f \left( \frac{k+\alpha_1}{n+\beta_1} \right) Q_{n,k}(x), \quad (1.5)$$

where  $x \in \left[ \frac{\alpha_2}{n+\beta_2}, \frac{n+\alpha_2}{n+\beta_2} \right]$ , and  $Q_{n,k}(x) = \binom{n}{k} \left( x - \frac{\alpha_2}{n+\beta_2} \right)^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha_2}{n+\beta_2} - x \right)^{n-k}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$  with  $\alpha_k, \beta_k, k = 1, 2$  are positive real numbers satisfying  $0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \beta_1$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \beta_2$ . When  $\alpha_2 = \beta_2 = 0$ ,  $B_{n,\alpha,\beta}(f; x)$  reduces to the well known Bernstein-Stancu operators, when  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$ ,

$\beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$ ,  $B_{n,\alpha,\beta}(f; x)$  reduces to the classical Bernstein operators. Many authors have investigated the approximation properties of  $B_{n,\alpha,\beta}(f; x)$  and its generalizations (see [1], [5], [9], [17], [21], [26], [28]).

## §2 Some properties of the operators $S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f; x)$

In this section, we give the moments properties and the approximation rate of  $S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f; x)$  for  $f \in C(A_n)$ .

**Lemma 1.** It holds that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{n} q_{n,k}(x) = \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x}; \quad (2.1)$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^2}{n^2} q_{n,k}(x) = \frac{n-1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x}; \quad (2.2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^3}{n^3} q_{n,k}(x) &= \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-3} \bar{x}^3 \\ &\quad + \frac{3(n-1)}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x}; \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^4}{n^4} q_{n,k}(x) &= \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-4} \bar{x}^4 + \frac{6(n-1)(n-2)}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-3} \bar{x}^3 \\ &\quad + \frac{7(n-1)}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

*Proof.* Direct calculations yield that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{n} q_{nk}(x) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n-1}{k-1} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} \\ &= \bar{x} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-1-k} = \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^2}{n^2} q_{nk}(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{n} \binom{n-1}{k-1} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} \\ &= \frac{n-1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k-1}{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k-1} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n-1}{k-1} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} \\ &= \frac{n-1}{n} \bar{x}^2 \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^{k-2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} + \frac{\bar{x}}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{n-1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x}.$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^3}{n^3} q_{nk}(x) &= \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \bar{x}^3 \sum_{k=0}^{n-3} \binom{n-3}{k} \bar{x}^{k-3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} \\ &\quad + \frac{3(n-1)}{n^2} \bar{x}^2 \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^{k-2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} + \frac{\bar{x}}{n^2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} \\ &= \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-3} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{3(n-1)}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k^4}{n^4} q_{nk}(x) &= \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{n^3} \bar{x}^4 \sum_{k=0}^{n-4} \binom{n-4}{k} \bar{x}^{k-4} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} \\ &\quad + \frac{6(n-1)(n-2)}{n^3} \bar{x}^3 \sum_{k=0}^{n-3} \binom{n-3}{k} \bar{x}^{k-3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} \\ &\quad + \frac{7(n-1)}{n^3} \bar{x}^2 \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^{k-2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} + \frac{\bar{x}}{n^3} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^{n-k} \\ &= \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-4} \bar{x}^4 + \frac{6(n-1)(n-2)}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-3} \bar{x}^3 \\ &\quad + \frac{7(n-1)}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 2.** It holds that

- (i)  $S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(1, x) = 1$ ;
- (ii)  $S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t, x) = x$ ;
- (iii)  $S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t^2, x) = \frac{n-1}{n} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{2\alpha+1}{n+\beta} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^2$ ;

(iv)

$$S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t^3, x) = \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{3(n-1)(1+\alpha)}{n(n+\beta)} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1+3\alpha+3\alpha^2}{(n+\beta)^2} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^3;$$

(v)

$$\begin{aligned} S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t^4, x) &= \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{n^3} \bar{x}^4 + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(6+4\alpha)}{n^2(n+\beta)} \bar{x}^3 \\ &\quad + \frac{(n-1)(7+12\alpha+6\alpha^2)}{n(n+\beta)^2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1+4\alpha+6\alpha^2+4\alpha^3}{(n+\beta)^3} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^4. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* (i) is obvious. It follows from (2.1) that

$$S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t, x) = \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{k+\alpha}{n} q_{n,k}(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-1} \left( \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} + \frac{\alpha}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^n \right) \\
&= \bar{x} + \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} = x,
\end{aligned}$$

which implies (ii).

By (2.1) and (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t^2, x) &= \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-2} \sum_{k=0}^n \left( \frac{k+\alpha}{n} \right)^2 q_{n,k}(x) \\
&= \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-2} \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + 2 \frac{\alpha}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} + \frac{\alpha^2}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^n \right) \\
&= \frac{n-1}{n} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{2\alpha+1}{n+\beta} \bar{x} + \frac{\alpha^2}{(n+\beta)^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, (iii) is proved.

By (2.1)-(2.3) , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t^3, x) &= \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-3} \sum_{k=0}^n \left( \frac{k+\alpha}{n} \right)^3 q_{n,k}(x) \\
&= \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-3} \left( \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-3} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{3(n-1)}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} + 3 \cdot \frac{\alpha}{n} \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + 3 \cdot \frac{\alpha^2}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} + \frac{\alpha^3}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^n \right) \\
&= \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{3(n-1)(1+\alpha)}{n(n+\beta)} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1+3\alpha+3\alpha^2}{(n+\beta)^2} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^3.
\end{aligned}$$

By (2.1)-(2.4) , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t^4, x) &= \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-4} \sum_{k=0}^n \left( \frac{k+\alpha}{n} \right)^4 q_{n,k}(x) \\
&= \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-4} \left( \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-4} \bar{x}^4 + \frac{6(n-1)(n-2)}{n^3} \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-3} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{7(n-1)}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n^3} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + 4 \frac{\alpha}{n} \left( \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-3} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{3(n-1)}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 \right) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} \Big) + 6 \left( \frac{\alpha}{n} \right)^2 \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} \right) \\
& + 4 \left( \frac{\alpha}{n} \right)^3 \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n} \right)^4 \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^n \Big) \\
= & \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{n^3} \bar{x}^4 + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(6+4\alpha)}{n^2(n+\beta)} \bar{x}^3 \\
& + \frac{(n-1)(7+12\alpha+6\alpha^2)}{n(n+\beta)^2} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1+4\alpha+6\alpha^2+4\alpha^3}{(n+\beta)^3} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^4.
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 3.** It holds that

$$S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t-x, x) = 0; \quad (2.5)$$

$$S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}((t-x)^2, x) = \frac{\varphi_n^2(x)}{n}; \quad (2.6)$$

$$S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}((t-x)^3, x) = \frac{\varphi_n^2(x) \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2\bar{x} \right)}{n^2}; \quad (2.7)$$

$$S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}((t-x)^4, x) = \frac{\left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \varphi_n^2(x) + 3(n-2)\varphi_n^4(x)}{n^3}, \quad (2.8)$$

where  $\varphi_n(x) := \sqrt{\bar{x} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)}$  defined as in Theorem 1.

*Proof.* It is obvious that (2.5) is valid by (ii) of Lemma 2.

By using (i)-(iii) of Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}((t-x)^2, x) &= S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t^2, x) - 2xS_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t, x) + x^2 \\
&= \frac{n-1}{n} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{2\alpha+1}{n+\beta} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^2 - 2x^2 + x^2 \\
&= \left( \bar{x}^2 + 2\frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \right) + \frac{1}{n} \bar{x} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right) - x^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \bar{x} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right) = \frac{\varphi_n^2(x)}{n},
\end{aligned}$$

which proves (2.6).

Similarly, by (i)-(iv) of lemma 2, we can prove (2.7) by the following procedure:

$$\begin{aligned}
& S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}((t-x)^3, x) \\
= & S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t^3, x) - 3xS_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t^2, x) + 3x^2S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t, x) - x^3 \\
= & \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{3(n-1)(1+\alpha)}{n(n+\beta)} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1+3\alpha+3\alpha^2}{(n+\beta)^2} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^3 \\
& - 3x \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{2\alpha+1}{n+\beta} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \right) + 3x^3 - x^3 \\
= & \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{3(n-1)}{n} \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} - \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \right) \bar{x}^2 + \left( \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \right.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +3 \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^2 + \frac{3\alpha}{(n+\beta)^2} - \frac{6x\alpha}{n+\beta} - \frac{3x}{n+\beta} \right) \bar{x} - \bar{x}^3 + 3x^2 \bar{x} \\
= & \left( \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} - 1 - \frac{3(n-1)}{n} \right) \bar{x}^3 + \left( 3x^2 - 6x \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} + 3 \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \right) \bar{x} \\
& + \left( \frac{-3x}{n+\beta} + \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^2 + \frac{3\alpha}{(n+\beta)^2} \right) \bar{x} + \frac{3(n-1)}{n} \frac{1}{n+\beta} \bar{x}^2 \\
= & \frac{1}{n^2} (n^2 - 3n + 2 - n^2 - 3n(n-1) + 3n^2) \bar{x}^3 + \frac{1}{n^2} \left( 3(n-1) \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right. \\
& \left. - 3n \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right) \bar{x}^2 + \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \bar{x} \\
= & \frac{1}{n^2} \left( 2\bar{x}^3 - 3 \frac{n}{n+\beta} \bar{x}^2 + \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \bar{x} \right) \\
= & \frac{\varphi_n^2(x) \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2\bar{x} \right)}{n^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

The proof of (2.8) is similar, but is rather complicated. By Lemma 2, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
& S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}((t-x)^4, x) = S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t^4, x) - 4xS_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t^3, x) + 6x^2S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(t^2, x) - 4x^4 + x^4 \\
= & \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{n^3} \bar{x}^4 + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(6+4\alpha)}{n^2(n+\beta)} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{n-1}{n(n+\beta)^2} (7+12\alpha+6\alpha^2) \bar{x}^2 \\
& + \frac{1+4\alpha+6\alpha^2+4\alpha^3}{(n+\beta)^3} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^4 - 4x \left( \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \bar{x}^3 + \frac{3(n-1)(1+\alpha)}{n(n+\beta)} \bar{x}^2 \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{1+3\alpha+3\alpha^2}{(n+\beta)^2} \bar{x} + \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^3 \right) + 6x^2 \left( \frac{n-1}{n} \bar{x}^2 + \frac{2\alpha+1}{n+\beta} \bar{x} + \frac{\alpha^2}{(n+\beta)^2} \right) - 4x^4 + x^4 \\
= & \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{n^3} \bar{x}^4 + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \left( \frac{6}{n+\beta} + \frac{4\alpha}{n+\beta} - 4x \right) \bar{x}^3 \\
& + \frac{n-1}{n} \left( 6 \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^2 - \frac{12x\alpha}{n+\beta} + 6x^2 - \frac{12x}{n+\beta} + \frac{12\alpha}{(n+\beta)^2} + 7 \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \right) \bar{x}^2 \\
& + \left( \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^3 + 4 \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^3 \alpha + 6 \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^3 \alpha^2 + 4 \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^3 - 4x \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \right. \\
& \left. - 12x \frac{1}{n+\beta} \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} - 12x \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^2 + 6x^2 \frac{1}{n+\beta} + 12x^2 \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \bar{x} + \bar{x}^4 - 4x^3 \bar{x} \\
= & \left( \frac{(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{n^3} + 1 \right) \bar{x}^4 + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{n^2} \left( \frac{6}{n+\beta} - 4\bar{x} \right) \bar{x}^3 + \frac{n-1}{n} \left( 6\bar{x}^2 \right. \\
& \left. - \frac{12}{n+\beta} \bar{x} + 7 \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \right) \bar{x}^2 + \left( - 4\bar{x}^3 + \frac{6}{n+\beta} \bar{x}^2 - 4 \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \bar{x} + \left( \frac{1}{n+\beta} \right)^3 \right) \bar{x} \\
= & \frac{1}{n^3} \left[ ((n-1)(n-2)(n-3) + n^3 - 4n(n-1)(n-2) + 6n^2(n-1) - 4n^3) \bar{x}^4 + \right. \\
& \left. \left( 6(n-1)(n-2) \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 12n(n-1) \frac{n}{n+\beta} + 6n^2 \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right) \bar{x}^3 + \left( 7(n-1) \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. - 12x \frac{1}{n+\beta} \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} - 12x \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^2 + 6x^2 \frac{1}{n+\beta} + 12x^2 \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \bar{x} + \bar{x}^4 - 4x^3 \bar{x} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -4n \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \bar{x}^2 + \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^3 \bar{x} \Big] \\
= & \frac{1}{n^3} \left[ 3n\bar{x}^2 \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^2 - 6\bar{x}^2 \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - \bar{x} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \bar{x}^2 + \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^3 \bar{x} \right] \\
= & \frac{\left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \varphi_n^2(x) + 3(n-2)\varphi_n^4(x)}{n^3}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 4.** For any  $t, x \in \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta}, \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)$ ,  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ , it holds that

$$\left| \int_x^t \frac{1}{\varphi_n^\lambda(u)} du \right| \leq \frac{|t-x|}{\varphi_n^\lambda(x)}. \quad (2.9)$$

*Proof.* Direct calculations yield that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \int_x^t \frac{1}{\varphi_n^\lambda(u)} du \right| \\
\leq & \left| \int_x^t \frac{1}{\varphi_n(u)} du \right|^\lambda |t-x|^{1-\lambda} \\
\leq & \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^\lambda |t-x|^{1-\lambda} \left| \int_x^t \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{u-\frac{\alpha}{n+\beta}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta}-u}} \right) du \right|^\lambda \\
\leq & \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^\lambda |t-x|^{1-\lambda} \left( 2 \left| \sqrt{t-\frac{\alpha}{n+\beta}} - \sqrt{x-\frac{\alpha}{n+\beta}} \right| \right. \\
& \left. + 2 \left| \sqrt{\frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta}-t} - \sqrt{\frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta}-x} \right| \right)^\lambda \\
\leq & 2^\lambda \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^\lambda |t-x| \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{t-\frac{\alpha}{n+\beta}} + \sqrt{x-\frac{\alpha}{n+\beta}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta}-t} + \sqrt{\frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta}-x}} \right)^\lambda \\
\leq & 2^\lambda \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^\lambda |t-x| \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-\frac{\alpha}{n+\beta}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta}-x}} \right)^\lambda \\
\leq & C \frac{|t-x|}{\varphi_n^\lambda(x)}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

From Lemma 2, we see that  $S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x)$  keeps the linear functions. Generally speaking,  $B_{n,\alpha,\beta}(f, x)$  defined in (1.5) has no such preserving properties. For the approximation rate of  $S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x)$  for  $f \in C(A_n)$ , we have the following direct results including both the pointwise estimates and global estimates:

**Theorem 3.** Let  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$  be a fixed number. For any  $f \in C(A_n)$ , there is a positive constant only depending on  $\lambda, \alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that

$$\left| S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) - f(x) \right| \leq C \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2 \left( f, \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \right). \quad (2.10)$$

*Proof.* It is obvious that

$$\|S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f)\| \leq \|f\|, \quad (2.11)$$

where  $\|f\|$  is the uniform norm of  $f$  in  $A_n$ .

Set  $D_\lambda^2 := \{f \in C(A_n), f' \in A.C.loc, \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\| < +\infty\}$ . Define

$$K_{\varphi_n^\lambda}(f, t^2) = \inf_{g \in D_\lambda^2} \{\|f - g\| + t^2 \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} g''\|\}.$$

It is well known that (see [8])  $K_{\varphi_n^\lambda}(f, t^2) \sim \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, t)$ . Therefore, for any fixed  $n, \lambda$  and  $x$ , we may choose a  $g_{n,x,\lambda}(t) \in D_\lambda^2$  such that

$$\|f - g\| \leq C \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2 \left( f, \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \right), \quad (2.12)$$

$$\frac{\varphi_n^{2(1-\lambda)}(x)}{n} \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} g''\| \leq C \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2 \left( f, \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \right). \quad (2.13)$$

By (2.11) and (2.12), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) - f(x)| \\ & \leq |S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f - g, x)| + |f(x) - g(x)| + |S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(g, x) - g(x)| \\ & \leq 2\|f - g\| + |S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(g, x) - g(x)| \\ & \leq C \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2 \left( f, \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \right) + |S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(g, x) - g(x)|. \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

By using Taylor's expansion

$$g(t) = g(x) + g'(x)(t - x) + \int_x^t (t - u) g''(u) du,$$

and the following inequality (see [9]):

$$\frac{|t - u|}{\varphi_n^{2\lambda}(u)} \leq \frac{|t - x|}{\varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x)}, \text{ for any } u \text{ between } x \text{ and } t,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(g, x) - g(x)| \\ & = \left| S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)} \left( \int_x^t (t - u) g''(u) du, x \right) \right| \\ & \leq C \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} g''\| S_n^{(\alpha, \beta)} \left( \frac{(t - x)^2}{\varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x)}, x \right) \\ & \leq C \frac{\varphi_n^{2(1-\lambda)}(x)}{n} \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} g''\| \\ & \leq C \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2 \left( f, \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

where in the last inequality, (2.13) is used.

By combining (2.14) and (2.15), we obtain Theorem 3.  $\square$

### §3 Converse results of approximation by $U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x)$

**Lemma 5.** Let  $f \in C(A_n)$ . Then

$$\left| \left( U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x) \right)'' \right| \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}n}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \|f\|.$$

*Proof.* With the notation

$$F_0^{(n)}(f) := f \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right), \quad F_n^{(n)}(f) := f \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} \right),$$

$$F_k^{(n)}(f) := \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \int_{A_{n-2}} q_{n-2,k-1}(t) f \left( \frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \left( t - \frac{2\alpha}{n(n-2+\beta)} \right) \right) dt, \quad 1 \leq k \leq n-1,$$

we have

$$U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x) = \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \sum_{k=0}^n F_k^{(n)}(f) q_{n,k}(x).$$

It is easy to deduce that

$$q_{n,k}''(x) = q_{n,k}(x) \frac{\left( \frac{n(k+\alpha)}{n+\beta} - nx \right)^2 - n\varphi_n^2(x) - \left( \frac{n(k+\alpha)}{n+\beta} - nx \right) \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2 \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \right)}{\varphi_n^4(x)}.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left( U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x) \right)'' \right| \\ &= \left| \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \sum_{k=0}^n F_k^{(n)}(f) q_{n,k}''(x) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{n\|f\|}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \sum_{k=0}^n q_{n,k}(x) \left| \frac{n \left( \frac{k+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^2}{\varphi_n^2(x)} - 1 - \frac{\left( \frac{k+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right) \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2 \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \right)}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

By Cauchy-Schwarz's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left( U_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(f, x) \right)'' \right| \\ &\leq \frac{n\|f\|}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \left[ S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)} \left( \left( \frac{n \left( \frac{k+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^2}{\varphi_n^2(x)} - 1 - \frac{\left( \frac{k+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right) \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2x \right)}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \right)^2; x \right) S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(1; x) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{n\|f\|}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \left[ \frac{n^2}{\varphi_n^4(x)} S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}((t-x)^4, x) + 1 + \frac{\left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2 \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \right)^2}{\varphi_n^4(x)} S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}((t-x)^2, x) \right. \\ &\quad - \frac{2n}{\varphi_n^2(x)} S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}((t-x)^2, x) - \frac{2n \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2 \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \right)}{\varphi_n^4(x)} S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}((t-x)^3, x) \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{2 \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2 \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \right)}{\varphi_n^2(x)} S_n^{(\alpha,\beta)}(t-x, x) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by Lemma 3,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) \right)'' \right| \\
& \leq \frac{n \|f\|}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \left[ \frac{n^2}{\varphi_n^4(x)} \frac{\left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} \right)^2 \varphi_n^2(x) + 3(n-2)\varphi_n^4(x)}{n^3} \right. \\
& \quad + 1 + \frac{\left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2 \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \right)^2}{\varphi_n^4(x)} \frac{\varphi_n^2(x)}{n} - \frac{2n}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \frac{\varphi_n^2(x)}{n} \\
& \quad \left. - \frac{2n \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2 \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \right) \varphi_n^2(x) \left( \frac{n}{n+\beta} - 2\bar{x} \right)}{\varphi_n^4(x)} \frac{1}{n^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
& = \frac{n \|f\|}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \sqrt{2 - \frac{2}{n}},
\end{aligned}$$

which means that

$$\left| \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) \right)'' \right| \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}n}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \|f\|.$$

□

**Lemma 6.** Let  $f \in D_\lambda^2$  with  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . Then,

$$\left\| \varphi_n^{2\lambda} \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f) \right)'' \right\| \leq (1 + \beta)^2 \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\|. \quad (3.1)$$

*Proof.* For convenience, we use the following notations:

$$t^* := \frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \left( t - \frac{2\alpha}{n(n-2+\beta)} \right),$$

$$\Delta^1 F_k^{(n)}(f) = F_{k+1}^{(n)}(f) - F_k^{(n)}(f), \quad \Delta^2 F_k^{(n)}(f) = \Delta^1(\Delta^1 F_k^{(n)}(f)).$$

Obviously,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) \right)' = \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \sum_{k=0}^n F_k^{(n)}(f) \binom{n}{k} \left( k \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^{k-1} \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k} \right. \\
& \quad \left. - (n-k) \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-1} \right) \\
& = n \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n-1}{k-1} F_k^{(n)}(f) \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^{k-1} \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k} - n \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \\
& \quad \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} F_k^{(n)}(f) \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-1} \\
& = n \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \Delta^1 F_k^{(n)}(f) \binom{n-1}{k} \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

From the above representation, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) \right)'' &= (n^2 - n) \left( \frac{n + \beta}{n} \right)^n \\ &\times \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \Delta^2 F_k^{(n)}(f) \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n + \alpha}{n + \beta} - x \right)^{n-k-2}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

Now we shall prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2 F_k^{(n)}(f) &= \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \left( \frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \right)^2 \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \\ &\times \int_{A_{n-2}} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-k-1} f''(t^*) dt, \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

for  $0 \leq k \leq n-2$ . When  $1 \leq k \leq n-3$ , noting that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \binom{n}{k+1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-k-1} \right)'' \\ &= n(n-1) (q_{n-2,k+1}(t) - 2q_{n-2,k}(t) + q_{n-2,k-1}(t)), \end{aligned}$$

and by using integration by parts, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2 F_k^{(n)}(f) &= \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \int_{A_{n-2}} (q_{n-2,k+1}(t) - 2q_{n-2,k}(t) + q_{n-2,k-1}(t)) f(t^*) dt \\ &= \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \int_{A_{n-2}} \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \left( \binom{n}{k+1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-k-1} \right)'' f(t^*) dt \\ &= \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \left( \frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \right)^2 \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \\ &\times \int_{A_{n-2}} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-k-1} f''(t^*) dt, \end{aligned}$$

which proves (3.3) in this case. In the case when  $k=0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2 F_0^{(n)}(f) &= \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \int_{A_{n-2}} (q_{n-2,1}(t) - 2q_{n-2,0}(t)) f(t^*) dt + f \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \\ &= \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \int_{A_{n-2}} \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \left( \binom{n}{1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right) \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-1} \right)'' f(t^*) dt \\ &\quad + f \left( \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right) \\ &= \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \left( \frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \right)^2 \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \int_{A_{n-2}} \binom{n}{1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right) \\ &\quad \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-1} f''(t^*) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, (3.3) also holds when  $k=0$ . The case when  $k=n-2$  can be proved in a way similar to

the case  $k = 0$ .

By (3.2) and (3.3), we have the representation

$$\begin{aligned} \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) \right)'' &= \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \left( \frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \right)^2 \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-2} \\ &\times \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \int_{A_{n-2}} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-k-1} f''(t^*) dt. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Direct calculation yields that

$$\varphi^2(t^*) = \left( \frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \right)^2 \varphi_{n-2}^2(t). \quad (3.5)$$

For any  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ , by using Hölder's inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\Delta_{n,k}(x) \\ &:= \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \int_{A_{n-2}} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-k-1} \varphi_{n-2}^{-2\lambda}(t) dt \\ &\leq \left( \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \int_{A_{n-2}} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-k-1} dt \right)^{1-\lambda} \\ &\quad \times \left( \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \int_{A_{n-2}} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-k-1} \varphi_{n-2}^{-2}(t) dt \right)^\lambda \\ &= \left( \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{n+1} \int_0^1 u^{k+1} (1-u)^{n-k-1} dt \right)^{1-\lambda} \\ &\quad \times \left( \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \int_0^1 u^k (1-u)^{n-k-2} dt \right)^\lambda, \end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality, we used the transformation  $u = \frac{n-2+\beta}{n-2}t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2}$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{n,k}(x) &\leq \left( \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{n+1} \frac{\Gamma(k+2)\Gamma(n-k)}{\Gamma(n+2)} \right)^{1-\lambda} \\ &\quad \times \left( \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{n-1} \frac{\Gamma(k+1)\Gamma(n-k-1)}{\Gamma(n)} \right)^\lambda \\ &= \left( \left( \frac{n-2}{n-2+\beta} \right)^2 \frac{n-1}{n+1} \right)^{1-\lambda} \left( \frac{n(n-1)}{(k+1)(n-k-1)} \right)^\lambda \\ &\leq \left( \frac{n(n-1)}{(k+1)(n-k-1)} \right)^\lambda. \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

Now, we are in a position to prove (3.1). We only prove the case when  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ , the cases

when  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\lambda = 1$  can be proved similarly and more simpler. From (3.2)-(3.6), by using Hölder's inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x) \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) \right)'' \right| \\
& \leq \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \left( \frac{n(n-2+\beta)}{(n-2)(n+\beta)} \right)^2 \varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x) \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-2} \lambda_{n-2}^{-1} \\
& \quad \times \int_{A_{n-2}} \binom{n}{k+1} \left( t - \frac{\alpha}{n-2+\beta} \right)^{k+1} \left( \frac{n-2+\alpha}{n-2+\beta} - t \right)^{n-k-1} \varphi_n^{-2\lambda}(t^*) |\varphi_n^{2\lambda}(t^*) f''(t^*)| dt \\
& \leq \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\| \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x) \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-2} \Delta_{n,k}(x) \\
& \leq \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\| \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x) \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-2} \left( \frac{n(n-1)}{(k+1)(n-k-1)} \right)^\lambda \\
& \leq \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\| \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^n \varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x) \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-2} \right)^{1-\lambda} \\
& \quad \times \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-2} \frac{n(n-1)}{(k+1)(n-k-1)} \right)^\lambda \\
& \leq \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\| \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-(n-2)(1-\lambda)} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n}{k+1} \bar{x}^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-2} \varphi_n^2(x) \right)^\lambda \\
& = \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\| \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-(n-2)(1-\lambda)} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n}{k+1} \bar{x}^{k+1} \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k-1} \right)^\lambda \\
& = \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\| \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-(n-2)(1-\lambda)} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \binom{n}{k} \left( x - \frac{\alpha}{n+\beta} \right)^k \left( \frac{n+\alpha}{n+\beta} - x \right)^{n-k} \right)^\lambda \\
& \leq \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\| \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^{n-(n-2)(1-\lambda)-(n-1)\lambda} = \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\| \left( \frac{n+\beta}{n} \right)^2 \\
& \leq (1+\beta)^2 \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} f''\|.
\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 6 is proved.  $\square$

**Lemma 7.** Let  $\phi : [a, b] \rightarrow R$ ,  $\phi \not\equiv 0$ , be a function with  $\phi^2$  concave. Then for all  $x \in [a, b]$ ,  $h > 0$ , with  $x \pm h \in [a, b]$ , the inequality

$$\int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \frac{dsdt}{\phi^2(x+s+t)} \leq C \frac{h^2}{\phi^2(x)}, \quad (3.7)$$

holds true.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f \in C(A_n)$  and  $0 < \theta < 2$ . then

$$\left| U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) - f(x) \right| \leq C \left( \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^\theta \Leftrightarrow \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, t) \leq Ct^\theta, t \geq 0.$$

*Proof.* The proof of sufficiency is easily obtained by the direct theorem (Theorem 1). Now prove the necessity. Let  $x, h \in A_n$ , such that  $x \pm h \in A_n$ . Obviously,

$$|(\Delta_h^2 f)(x)| \leq |\Delta_h^2(f(x) - U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x))| + |\Delta_h^2(U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x))|.$$

We estimate the values of the two terms on the right of the above inequality respectively. Use the convexity of  $\varphi_n^{2(1-\lambda)}(x)$ , we have

$$\varphi_n^{2(1-\lambda)}(x-h) \leq 2\varphi_n^{2(1-\lambda)}(x), \quad \varphi_n^{2(1-\lambda)}(x+h) \leq 2\varphi_n^{2(1-\lambda)}(x).$$

By the assumption of the theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\Delta_h^2(f(x) - U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x))| &\leq Cn^{-\theta/2} \left( \varphi_n^{\theta(1-\lambda)}(x-h) + 2\varphi_n^{\theta(1-\lambda)}(x) + \varphi_n^{\theta(1-\lambda)}(x+h) \right) \\ &\leq C \left( \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^\theta. \end{aligned}$$

By using  $K_{\varphi_n^\lambda}(f, t^2) \sim \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, t)$  again, for any fixed  $\delta$ , we can choose a  $g_\delta \in A.C._{loc}$  such that

$$\|f - g_\delta\| \leq C\omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, \delta), \quad \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g_\delta''\| \leq C\delta^{-2}\omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, \delta).$$

By Lemma 5 and Lemma 6, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x) \right)'' \right| &\leq \left| \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f-g, x) \right)'' \right| + \left| \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(g, x) \right)'' \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\sqrt{2n}}{\varphi_n^2(x)} \|f - g\| + \frac{(1+\beta)^2}{\varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x)} \|\varphi_n^{2\lambda} g''\| \\ &\leq C \left( \frac{\sqrt{2n}}{\varphi_n^2(x)} + \frac{1}{\delta^2 \varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x)} \right) \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, \delta). \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 7, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\Delta_h^2(U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x))| &= \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \left( U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x+s+t) \right)'' ds dt \\ &\leq C\omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, \delta) \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2n}}{\varphi_n^2(x+s+t)} + \frac{1}{\delta^2 \varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x+s+t)} \right) ds dt \\ &\leq C \left( \frac{\sqrt{2n}h^2}{\varphi_n^2(x)} + \frac{h^2}{\delta^2 \varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x)} \right) \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, \delta). \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $h$  with  $h\varphi_n^\lambda(x)$ ,

$$|\Delta_{h\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(U_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(f, x))| \leq C \left( \frac{\sqrt{2n}h^2\varphi_n^{2\lambda}(x)}{\varphi_n^2(x)} + \frac{h^2}{\delta^2} \right) \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, \delta).$$

Thus,

$$|\Delta_{h\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, x)| \leq \left( \left( \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^\alpha + \left( \sqrt{2n}h^2\varphi_n^{2(\lambda-1)}(x) + \frac{h^2}{\delta^2} \right) \right) \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, \delta).$$

choosing  $n$  such that

$$\frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \delta \leq \sqrt{2} \frac{\varphi_n^{1-\lambda}(x)}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

Then

$$|\Delta_{h\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, x)| \leq C \left( \delta^\alpha + \frac{h^2}{\delta^2} \right) \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, \delta),$$

which implies that

$$\omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, t) \leq C \left( \delta^\alpha + \frac{h^2}{\delta^2} \omega_{\varphi_n^\lambda}^2(f, \delta) \right), \quad 0 < t \leq \delta.$$

Therefore, the assertion of the theorem is proved by the well-known Berens and Lorentz Lemma ([6]).  $\square$

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