

## DERIVATIVES OF BERNSTEIN OPERATORS AND SMOOTHNESS WITH JACOBI WEIGHTS

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**Abstract.** Using the modulus of smoothness with *Jacobi* weights  $\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, t)_\omega$ , the relationship between the derivatives *Bernstein* operators and the smoothness of the function its approximated in the weighted approximation is characterized, an equivalent theorem between *Bernstein* operators and the modulus of smoothness with *Jacobi* weights is established. The corresponding results without weights are generalized. In addition, we obtain the direct theorem in the approximation with *Jacobi* weights by *Bernstein* operators.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND MAIN RESULTS

Let  $C[0, 1]$  be the set of continuous functions on  $[0, 1]$ , then the *Bernstein* operators on are given by

$$B_n(f; x) = \sum_{k=0}^n P_{n,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right),$$

where  $P_{n,k}(x) = C_n^k x^k (1-x)^{n-k}$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ , and  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

It was shown by Ditzian. Z. [1] in 1985 that if  $0 < \alpha < 2$  then

$$\omega_2(f, t) = O(t^\alpha) \iff |B_n''(f, x)| \leq M \left\{ \min \left[ n^2, \frac{n}{x(1-x)} \right] \right\}^{\frac{2-\alpha}{2}}$$

In 1992, Zhou, D. X. [5] extend the result of Ditzian [1] to higher orders of smoothness. In addition, the close connection between the derivatives of the *Bernstein* type operators and the smoothness of function which has been investigated by Z. Ditzian, V. Totik, K. G. Ivanov and some other mathematicians [2, 4].

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In [3], the author obtained the equivalent theorem between *Bernstein* operators and the modulus of smoothness (without weights), but in the weighted norm  $\sup_{x \in [0,1]} |\omega(x)f(x)|$ , *Bernstein* operators does not converge [5], so it is not simple generalization of the results of approximation without weights [3]. Using the norm

$$(1.1) \quad \|f\|_\omega = \max_{x \in [0,1]} |\omega(x)f(x)| + |f(0)| + |f(1)|,$$

where  $\omega(x) = x^a(1-x)^b$ ,  $0 < a, b < 1$  is Jacobi weights, Zhou, D. X. [5] showed the boundness of *Bernstein* operators with the Jacobi weights.

Since we only consider the *Bernstein* operators from now on, let us suppose that  $\varphi^2(x) = x(1-x)$ . First we give some notations,

$$C_0 = \{f \in C[0, 1], f(0) = f(1) = 0\}.$$

To characterize functions in terms of their behaviors of various moduli of smoothness, we assume throughout the paper that  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ .

We recall the weighted  $K$ -functional given by [4]

$$(1.2) \quad K_{\varphi^\lambda}(f, t^2)_\omega = \inf_{g \in D} \left\{ \|f - g\|_\omega + t^2 \left\| \varphi^{2\lambda} g'' \right\|_\omega \right\},$$

where  $D = \{g \in C[0, 1] : g' \in A.C.loc, \text{ and } \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g''\|_\omega < \infty\}$  is a weighted Sobolev space.

And modulus of smoothness with *Jacobi* weights [4] is defined by

$$(1.3) \quad \omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, t)_\omega = \sup_{0 < h \leq t} \left\| \Delta_{h\varphi^\lambda}^2 f(x) \right\|_\omega,$$

where  $\Delta_{h\varphi^\lambda}^2 f(x) = f(x + h\varphi^\lambda) - 2f(x) + f(x - h\varphi^\lambda)$ .

**Remark 1.** By [5], Since all polynomials are included in  $D$ , and obvious, through the equation (1), we have  $\|f\|_\omega \leq 3 \|f\|_\infty$  ( $\|f\|_\infty = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} |f(x)|$ ), So  $D$

is dense in the  $(C[0, 1], \|\cdot\|_\omega)$ . Hence  $K_{\varphi^\lambda}(f, t^2)_\omega \rightarrow 0$  ( $t \rightarrow 0$ ).

For  $f \in C_0$ , from [4], there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that

$$(1.4) \quad C^{-1} \omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, t)_\omega \leq K_{\varphi^\lambda}(f, t^2)_\omega \leq C \omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, t)_\omega$$

Throughout the paper, the letter  $C$ , appearing in various formulas, denotes a positive constant independent of  $n$ ,  $x$  and  $f$ . Its value may be different at different occurrences, even within the same formula.

In the present paper, we characterized relationship between the derivatives of *Bernstein* operators and function its approximated using the modulus of smoothness

with *Jacobi* weights  $\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, t)_\omega$  in  $C_0$ , which extend the corresponding results in the approximation without weights. The main results can be stated as follows.

**Theorem 1.** For  $f \in C_0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)B_n''(f; x) \right| &\leq C((n^{-\frac{1}{2}}\varphi^{1-\lambda}(x))^{-2}\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, n^{-\frac{1}{2}}\varphi^{1-\lambda}(x))_\omega \\ &\leq C\delta_n^{-1}(x)\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta_n(x) = \frac{\varphi^{2-2\lambda}(x)}{n} \max\{n^{-1}\varphi^{-2}(x), 1\}$ .

**Theorem 2.** For  $f \in C_0$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 2$ , we have

$$\left| \omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)B_n''(f; x) \right| = O(\delta_n^{\frac{\alpha-2}{2}})$$

is equivalent to

$$\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, t)_\omega = O(t^\alpha).$$

**Remark 2.** The above equivalence relation without weights have been improved in [7], that is, the quantity  $\delta_n(x)$  in Theorem 2 can be replaced by  $\frac{\varphi^2(x)}{n}$  when  $\lambda = 0$  and  $a = b = 0$ . We conjecture that for *Jacobi* weights, there holds

$$\left| \omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)B_n''(f; x) \right| = O\left(\left(\frac{\varphi^2(x)}{n}\right)^{\frac{\alpha-2}{2}}\right) \iff \omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, t)_\omega = O(t^\alpha).$$

In fact, the proof of Theorem 1 shows that the direct part holds true.

## 2. SOME LEMMAS

To prove our main results, we need the following interesting results. Among these results, Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 can be found [5, 6], and then we will give Lemma 3 and Lemma 4.

**Lemma 1.** ([6]). For  $0 < t < \frac{1}{16}$ ,  $\frac{t}{2} < x < 1 - \frac{t}{2}$ , and  $0 \leq \beta \leq 2$ , we have

$$\int_{-\frac{t}{2}}^{\frac{t}{2}} \int_{-\frac{t}{2}}^{\frac{t}{2}} \varphi^{-\beta}(x+u+v)dudv \leq Ct^2\varphi^{-\beta}(x).$$

**Lemma 2.** ([5]). For  $f \in C_{[0,1]}$ , we have

$$\left| \omega(x)\varphi^2(x)B_n''(f; x) \right| \leq Cn \|f\|_\omega.$$

**Lemma 3.** For  $f \in D$ , we have

$$\left| \omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)B_n''(f; x) \right| \leq C \left\| \varphi^{2\lambda}f'' \right\|_\omega.$$

*Proof.* In the norm (1.1), by (see [5, Proposition 2.3]),

$$\|B_n f\|_\omega \leq 2^{1+a+b} \|f\|_\omega.$$

And from the property of *Bernstein* operators, we can easily get

$$B_n(f, x) = B_n(f_1, 1-x); \quad B_n(f, 1-x) = B_n(f_1, x),$$

where  $f_1(x) = f(1-x)$ . So we only need to estimate  $\|\omega \varphi^{2\lambda} B_n'' f\|_{C[0, \frac{1}{2}]}$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) B_n'' f \right| \\ &= |\omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) n(n-1) \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} f''\left(\frac{k}{n} + u + v\right) dudv P_{n-2,k}(x)| \\ &= |\omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) n(n-1) \sum_{k=1}^{n-3} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} f''\left(\frac{k}{n} + u + v\right) dudv P_{n-2,k}(x)| \\ &\quad + |\omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) n(n-1) \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} f''\left(\frac{k}{n} + u + v\right) dudv P_{n-2,0}(x)| \\ &\quad + |\omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) n(n-1) \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} f''\left(\frac{k}{n} + u + v\right) dudv P_{n-2,n-2}(x)| \\ &\triangleq I + J + K. \end{aligned}$$

By the *Hölder* Inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} I &= |\omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) n(n-1) \sum_{k=1}^{n-3} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} f''\left(\frac{k}{n} + u + v\right) dudv P_{n-2,k}(x)| \\ &\leq \omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) \sum_{k=1}^{n-3} \left(\frac{k}{n}\right)^{-\lambda-a} \left(1 - \frac{k+2}{n}\right)^{-\lambda-b} dudv P_{n-2,k}(x) \left\| \varphi^{2\lambda} f'' \right\|_\omega \\ &\leq 2^{3\lambda+a+b} \omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) \sum_{k=1}^{n-3} \left[ \left(\frac{n-2}{k+1}\right)^{\lambda+a} + \left(\frac{n-2}{n-1-k}\right)^{\lambda+b} \right] P_{n-2,k}(x) \left\| \varphi^{2\lambda} f'' \right\|_\omega \\ &\leq 2^{3\lambda+a+b} \omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) \left\{ \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{n-3} \left(\frac{n-2}{k+1}\right)^2 P_{n-2,k}(x) \right]^{\frac{\lambda+a}{2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{n-3} \left(\frac{n-2}{n-1-k}\right)^2 P_{n-2,k}(x) \right]^{\frac{\lambda+b}{2}} \right\} \left\| \varphi^{2\lambda} f'' \right\|_\omega. \end{aligned}$$

Making use of the following results of [8]

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{n}{k+1}\right)^2 P_{n,k}(x) \leq 2x^{-2}, \quad \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{n}{n-k+1}\right)^2 P_{n,k}(x) \leq 2(1-x)^{-2},$$

we obtain that  $I \leq C \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} J &= |\omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)n(n-1) \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} f''(u+v) du dv P_{n-2,0}(x)| \\ &\leq n^2 \omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x) \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} (u+v)^{-\lambda-a} (1-u-v)^{-\lambda-b} du dv P_{n-2,0}(x) \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega}. \end{aligned}$$

The following we will divide into three parts to estimate  $J$ .

**Case 1.** For  $\lambda + a < 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} J &\leq 2^{\lambda+b} n^2 \omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x) \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} (u+1)^{1-\lambda-a} du P_{n-2,0}(x) \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq C n^2 x^{\lambda+a} (1-x)^{n-2+\lambda+b} \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq C \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega} \end{aligned}$$

**Case 2.** For  $\lambda + a > 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} J &\leq C n^2 \omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x) \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} u^{1-\lambda-a} du P_{n-2,0}(x) \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq C n^{\lambda+a} x^{\lambda+a} (1-x)^{n-2+\lambda+b} \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq C \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega} \end{aligned}$$

**Case 3.** For  $\lambda + a = 1$ , we can easily obtain by directly computing

$$\begin{aligned} J &\leq 2^{\lambda+b} n^2 \omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x) \int_0^{\frac{1}{n}} \left(\ln(u + \frac{1}{n}) - \ln u\right) du P_{n-2,0}(x) \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq C n \omega(x)\varphi^{2\lambda}(x) P_{n-2,0}(x) \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq C n x (1-x)^{n-2+\lambda+b} \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq C \|\varphi^{2\lambda} f''\|_{\omega}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can also estimate the bound of  $K$  and the proof of lemma 3 is complete.

**Lemma 4.** Let  $\omega(x) = x^a(1-x)^b$ ,  $0 < a, b < 1$ . Then for  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,

$$|\omega(x)(B_n(f, x) - f(x))| \leq C\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega.$$

*Proof.* By (1.2) and (1.4), let  $g = g_n = g_{n,x,\lambda}$ , for the fixed  $x$  and  $\lambda$ , we have

$$(2.1) \quad \|f - g_n\|_\omega \leq C\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad \delta_n(x) \left\| \varphi^{2\lambda} g_n'' \right\|_\omega \leq C\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} & |\omega(x)(B_n(f, x) - f(x))| \\ & \leq |\omega(x)(B_n(f - g_n, x) - (f(x) - g_n(x)))| + |\omega(x)(B_n(g_n, x) - g_n(x))| \\ & \leq C\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega + |\omega(x)(B_n(g_n, x) - g_n(x))|. \end{aligned}$$

By [4], we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |\omega(x)(B_n(g_n, x) - g_n(x))| \\ & \leq \sum_{k=0}^n C_n^k x^k (1-x)^{n-k} |\omega(x) \int_{\frac{k}{n}}^x (x-v) g_n''(v) dv| \\ & \leq \sum_{k=0}^n C_n^k x^k (1-x)^{n-k} \omega(x) \frac{|x - \frac{k}{n}|}{\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)} \left| \int_{\frac{k}{n}}^x \varphi^{2\lambda}(v) \omega(v) g_n''(v) \omega^{-1}(v) dv \right| \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P_{n,k}(x) \omega(x) \frac{|x - \frac{k}{n}|}{\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)} \left| \int_{\frac{k}{n}}^x \omega^{-1}(v) dv \right| \left\| \varphi^{2\lambda} g_n'' \right\|_\omega \\ & \quad + \omega(x) |P_{n,0} \int_0^x (x-v) g_n''(v) dv| + \omega(x) |P_{n,n} \int_1^x (x-v) g_n''(v) dv| \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P_{n,k}(x) \omega(x) \frac{|x - \frac{k}{n}|^2}{\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)} \left( \frac{1}{\omega(\frac{k}{n})} + \frac{1}{\omega(x)} \right) \left\| \varphi^{2\lambda} g_n'' \right\|_\omega \\ & \quad + \omega(x) |P_{n,0} \int_0^x (x-v) g_n''(v) dv| + \omega(x) |P_{n,n} \int_1^x (x-v) g_n''(v) dv| \\ & \triangleq I + J + K. \end{aligned}$$

For  $I$ , by the *Cauchy-Schwarz* Inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} I &\leq \left\{ \frac{\omega(x)}{\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)} \left[ \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P_{n,k}(x) \left| x - \frac{k}{n} \right|^4 \right) \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P_{n,k}(x) \frac{1}{\omega^2(\frac{k}{n})} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\varphi^{2-2\lambda}(x)}{n} \right\} \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g_n''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq \left\{ \frac{\omega(x)}{\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)} \left[ \frac{\varphi(x)}{n} \left( \frac{1}{n} + \varphi^2(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \omega^{-1}(x) \right] + \frac{\varphi^{2-2\lambda}(x)}{n} \right\} \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g_n''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq \left[ \frac{\varphi^{1-2\lambda}(x)}{n} \left( \frac{1}{n} + \varphi^2(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{\varphi^{2-2\lambda}(x)}{n} \right] \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g_n''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq C\delta_n(x) \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g_n''\|_{\omega}. \end{aligned}$$

In the same way, for  $J$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} J &\leq \omega(x) \left| (1-x)^n \int_0^x (x-v) g_n''(v) dv \right| \\ &\leq \omega(x) \frac{x(1-x)^n}{\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)} \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g_n''\|_{\omega} \left| \int_0^x \omega^{-1}(v) dv \right| \\ &\leq \omega(x) \frac{x(1-x)^n}{\varphi^{2\lambda}(x)} \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g_n''\|_{\omega} \left| \int_0^x v^{-a} dv \right| (1-x)^{-b} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1-a} \varphi^{-2\lambda}(x) x^2 (1-x)^n \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g_n''\|_{\omega} \\ &\leq C \frac{\varphi^{2-2\lambda}(x)}{n} \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g_n''\|_{\omega}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can also estimate the bound of  $K$ .

The proof of the Lemma 4 is completed.

**Remark 3.** Lemma 4 is the direct theorem in the approximation with *Jacobi* weights by *Bernstein* operators in  $C[0, 1]$ , which extend the result in the approximation without weights.

### 3. PROOF OF MAIN RESULTS

*Proof of Theorem 1.* For  $f \in C_0$ , by Lemma 2, we have

$$(3.1) \quad \left| \omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) B_n''(f; x) \right| \leq Cn\varphi^{2-2\lambda} \|f\|_{\omega} \leq C(n^{-\frac{1}{2}}\varphi^{1-\lambda}(x))^{-2} \|f\|_{\omega}.$$

For all  $g \in D$ , by (3.7) and Lemma 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) B_n''(f; x) \right| \\
& \leq \omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) \left| B_n''(f - g; x) \right| + \omega(x) \varphi^{2\lambda}(x) \left| B_n''(g; x) \right| \\
& \leq C(n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \varphi^{1-\lambda}(x))^{-2} (\|f - g\|_\omega + (n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \varphi^{1-\lambda}(x))^2 \|\varphi^{2\lambda} g''\|_\omega).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, by (1.4) and the definition of  $\delta_n(x)$ , Theorem 1 holds.

*Proof of Theorem 2.* By Theorem 1 we only need to prove the inverse part. Let  $0 < t\varphi^\lambda(x) < \frac{1}{8}$  and  $2t\varphi^\lambda(x) < x < 1 - 2t\varphi^\lambda(x)$ , then by Lemma 1, Lemma 4 and the Hölder Inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& |\omega(x) \Delta_{t\varphi^\lambda}^2 f(x)| \\
& \leq |\omega(x) \Delta_{t\varphi^\lambda}^2 (B_n(f, x) - f(x))| + |\omega(x) \Delta_{t\varphi^\lambda}^2 B_n(f, x)| \\
& \leq C |\omega(x) \sum_{j=0}^2 C_2^j \omega^{-1}(x + (1-j)t\varphi^\lambda(x)) \omega_{t\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \varphi^{1-\lambda}(x + (1-j)t\varphi^\lambda(x))_\omega| \\
& \quad + |\omega(x) \int_{-\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}}^{\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}} \int_{-\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}}^{\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}} |B_n''(f, x + u + v) dudv| | \\
& \leq C \omega_{t\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega + n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \int_{-\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}}^{\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}} \int_{-\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}}^{\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}} \varphi^{\alpha-2-\alpha\lambda}(x + u + v) dudv \\
& \leq C \omega_{t\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega + C n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \left[ \int_{-\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}}^{\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}} \int_{-\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}}^{\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}} \varphi^{-2}(x + u + v) dudv \right]^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \\
& \quad \cdot \left[ \int_{-\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}}^{\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}} \int_{-\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}}^{\frac{t\varphi^\lambda}{2}} \varphi^{-2\lambda}(x + u + v) dudv \right]^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \\
& \leq C \omega_{t\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega + C n^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} [(t\varphi^\lambda(x))^2 \varphi^{-2}(x)]^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} [(t\varphi^\lambda(x))^2 \varphi^{-2\lambda}(x)]^{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \\
& \leq C [\omega_{t\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega + t^2 (n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \varphi^{1-\lambda}(x))^{\alpha-2}] \\
& \leq C (\omega_{t\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, \delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(x))_\omega + t^2 \delta_n^{\frac{\alpha-2}{2}}).
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $\delta = \delta_n(x)$ ,  $A = (2C + 1)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$  and  $\delta = t/A$ . By the induction we have that for  $k \in N$



$$\begin{aligned}
\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f, t)_\omega &\leq C(\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f; \frac{t}{A})_\omega + t^\alpha A^{2-\alpha}) \\
&\leq \dots \\
&\leq 2^k C^k [\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f; tA^{-k})_\omega + t^\alpha A^2 \sum_{l=1}^k (2CA^{-\alpha})^l] \\
&\leq 4t^2 (2CA^{-2})^k \|f\|_\infty + t^\alpha A^2 2C / (A^\alpha - 2C).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  we obtain

$$\omega_{\varphi^\lambda}^2(f; t)_\omega \leq Ct^\alpha.$$

The proof is completed.

**Remark 4.** In the proof of Theorem 2, we can easily see the assumption  $f \in C_0$  can be replaced by  $f \in C[0, 1]$  in the inverse part, but not in the direct part.

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