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ON CONVERGENCE OF ORTHONORMAL EXPANSIONS FOR EXPONENTIAL WEIGHTS*

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Abstract. Let I = (-d, d) be a real interval, finite or infinite, and let $W : I \to (0, \infty)$. Assume that W^2 is a weight, so that we may define orthonormal polynomials corresponding to W^2 . For $f : I \to \mathbb{R}$, let $s_m[f]$ denote the *m*th partial sum of the orthonormal expansion of f with respect to these polynomials. We show that if $f'W \in L_{\infty}(I) \cap L_2(I)$, then $||(s_m[f] - f)W||_{L_{\infty}(I)} \to 0$ as $m \to \infty$. The class of weights considered includes even exponential weights.

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