



ISSN: 1889-3066

© 2015 Universidad de Jaén

Web site: [jja.ujaen.es](http://jja.ujaen.es)

Jaen J. Approx. 7(1) (2015), 11–56

**Jaen Journal**  
**on Approximation**

# Weighted $\gamma$ - $K$ -functional and $\gamma$ -modulus of smoothness on the semiaxis

Zoltán Markó

## Abstract

In this paper we investigate the  $\gamma$ -relative differentiation with the motivation of amending the order of the weighted polynomial approximation on the semiaxis for certain functions. By means of these tools, we give some definitions of generalized Sobolev spaces,  $K$ -functionals and moduli of smoothness. We estimate every one in terms of the others and, in the case of first order, we prove the equivalence. We show some possible applications and also other generalizations.

**Keywords:**  $\gamma$ -relative differentiation, weighted  $K$ -functional, weighted modulus of smoothness, Laguerre-weight.

**MSC:** Primary 26A15, 26A24, 41A17; Secondary 41A10.

## §1. Introduction

The polynomial approximation is a traditional area in approximation theory. In the course of this, one might ask the question of the order of approximation. If  $X$  is a Banach space of functions with finite domains of  $\mathbb{R}$ , and  $P_n$  is the space of polynomials of degree at most  $n$  on  $X$ , then the error of the best polynomial approximation for a given function  $f \in X$  is

$$E_n(f) := \inf_{p_n \in P_n} \|f - p_n\|.$$

**Communicated by**  
H. N. Mhaskar

**Received**  
February 10, 2014  
**Accepted**  
October 11, 2014