

# Weighted Approximation of functions in $L_\infty[0, \infty)$ <sup>1</sup>

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## Abstract

Direct theorems in terms of the weighted K-functional for the uniform weighted approximation by a class of operators which reproduce the functions  $E_i(x) = \frac{x^i}{1+x}$ ,  $i = 0, 1$  are obtained for functions from  $C(w) + W_\mu^2(w\phi)$  with weights of the form  $\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{\beta_0} \left(\frac{1}{1+x}\right)^{\beta_\infty}$  for  $\beta_0, \beta_\infty \in [-1, 0]$ . As a consequence, direct theorems for some (for instance, classical and Goodman-Sharma modifications of Baskakov and Meyer-König and Zeller ) operators are obtained.

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## 1. Introduction

In order to approximate functions in  $[0, \infty)$ , Baskakov (in analogy with the Bernstein operator) introduced a new operator (see [1]). It is defined for bounded functions  $f(x)$  in  $[0, \infty)$  by the formula

$$B_n f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_{n,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \quad (1.1)$$

where

$$P_{n,k}(x) = \binom{n+k-1}{k} x^k (1+x)^{-n-k}.$$

One way to generalize this is to replace  $f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)$  in the above definition by some functionals  $b_{n,k}(f)$ , defined for every  $f \in L_\infty[0, \infty)$  and satisfying given conditions. A different path is to consider a sequence of linear positive operators and impose appropriate conditions.

In this paper we investigate the approximation of functions  $f \in L_\infty[0, \infty)$  by a sequence of operators  $L_n$  which satisfy the next conditions:

$$L_n \text{ are linear and positive operators,} \quad (1.2)$$

$$L_n(E_i, x) = E_i(x) \text{ for } i=0 \text{ and } i=1, \quad (1.3)$$

$$L_n(E_2, x) = E_2(x) + A_n(x), \quad (1.4)$$

$$L_n(E_0^2, x) = E_0^2(x) + B_n(x). \quad (1.5)$$

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Here by  $L_\infty[0, \infty)$  we denote the space of all Lebesgue measurable and essentially bounded in  $[0, \infty)$  functions equipped with the uniform norm  $\|\cdot\|$ ,  $E_i$  (for  $i = 0, 1, 2$ ) are the functions  $E_i(x) = \frac{x^i}{1+x}$  and the functions  $A_n(x)$  and  $B_n(x)$  are such that for every  $x \in [0, \infty)$  we have  $|A_n(x)| \leq a_n x$ ,  $|B_n(x)| \leq b_n E_0^2(x)$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$ .

And we note here that if the above conditions are satisfied, then automatically we have also

$$L_n(1, x) = 1 \quad (1.6)$$

$$L_n(E_1^2, x) = E_1^2(x) + B_n(x). \quad (1.7)$$

We define an appropriate  $K$ -functional and by using it we prove a direct theorem for them. But before formulating the main result we will start with some definitions and notations.

The first derivative operator is denoted by  $D = \frac{d}{dx}$ . Thus,  $Dg(x) = g'(x)$  and  $D^2g(x) = g''(x)$ . By  $\phi(x) = x$  we denote the weight which is naturally connected with the second derivatives of these operators. Our main goal in this paper is the characterization of  $L_\infty$ -norm of the weighted approximation error  $\|w(f - L_n f)\|$  for weight functions given by

$$w(x) = w_\beta(x) = w(\beta_0, \beta_\infty; x) = \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{\beta_0} \left(\frac{1}{1+x}\right)^{\beta_\infty}. \quad (1.8)$$

where  $x \in [0, \infty)$  and  $\beta_0, \beta_\infty \in [-1, 0]$ .

By  $C[0, \infty)$  we denote the space of all continuous on  $[0, \infty)$  functions. The functions from  $C[0, \infty)$  are not expected to be bounded or uniformly continuous.

For a weight function  $w$  we set

$$C(w)[0, \infty) = C(w) = \{f \in C[0, \infty) : wf \in L_\infty[0, \infty)\}$$

and

$$W_\mu^2(w\phi)[0, \infty) = W_\mu^2(w\phi) = \left\{g : \mu g, D(\mu g) \in AC_{loc}(0, \infty), w\phi D^2(\mu g) \in L_\infty[0, \infty)\right\},$$

where  $AC_{loc}(0, \infty)$  consists of the functions which are absolutely continuous in  $[a, b]$  for every  $[a, b] \subset (0, \infty)$  and  $\mu(x) = 1 + x$ .

The weighted approximation error of  $L_n$  will be compared with the  $K$ -functional between the weighted spaces  $C(w)$  and  $W_\mu^2(w\phi)$ , which for every

$$f \in C(w) + W_\mu^2(w\phi) = \{f_1 + f_2 : f_1 \in C(w), f_2 \in W_\mu^2(w\phi)\}$$

and  $t > 0$  is defined by

$$K_w(f, t) = \inf \left\{ \|w(f - g)\| + t \|w\phi D^2(\mu g)\| : g \in W_\mu^2(w\phi), f - g \in C(w) \right\}. \quad (1.9)$$

The above formula is a standard definition of  $K$ -functional in interpolation theory. In approximation theory the condition  $f - g \in C(w)$  in (1.9) is usually omitted because in the predominant number of cases the second interpolation space is embedded in the first one. However, in this case we have interpolation between  $C(w)$  and  $W_\mu^2(w\phi)$ , as  $W_\mu^2(w\phi) \setminus C(w)$  is of infinite dimension for some of the weights  $w$  that satisfy the above assumptions.

Our main result is a direct inequality. It is a modification of the result in [10], which treats the case of a class of Bernstein-type operators.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let the operators  $L_n$  satisfy the conditions (1.2) - (1.5) and  $w$  is given by (1.8) with  $\beta_0, \beta_\infty \in [-1, 0]$  and  $c_n = \sqrt{2} \max\{a_n, \sqrt{a_n b_n}\}$ . Then for every  $f \in C(w) + W_\mu^2(w\phi)$  and for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have*

$$\|w(L_n f - f)\| \leq 2K_w(f, c_n).$$

Some remarks follow.

**Remark 1.**

Let  $\Pi_1 = \{f : f = aE_0 + bE_1, a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Then for  $\beta_0 \in [-1, 0], \beta_\infty \in (-1, 0)$  the space  $C(w) + W_\mu^2(w\phi)$  coincides with the space  $C(w) + \Pi_1$ . Indeed, let  $f \in C(w) + W_\mu^2(w\phi)$ , i.e.  $f$  can be written as  $f = f_1 + f_2$  where  $f_1 \in C(w)$  and  $f_2 \in W_\mu^2(w\phi)$ . Then we have  $(\mu f_2)(x) = a^*x + b^* + g^*(x)$  where

$$g^*(x) = - \int_0^x \int_v^\infty (\mu f_2)''(u) du dv$$

and

$$b^* = (\mu f_2)(0), \quad a^* = (\mu f_2)'(\infty) := (\mu f_2)'(1) + \int_1^\infty (\mu f_2)''(v) dv.$$

Obviously,  $g^* \in C(w\phi)$  and  $g = \mu^{-1}g^* \in C(w)$  and the above follows from

$$f_2(x) = \frac{a^*x + b^*}{\mu} + \frac{g^*(x)}{\mu} = aE_0(x) + bE_1(x) + g(x).$$

But for  $\beta_\infty = 0$  or for  $\beta_\infty = -1$  the space  $C(w) + W_\mu^2(w\phi)$  is essentially bigger than  $C(w) + \Pi_1$ . For instance, for the function  $f(x) = \log(1+x)$ , we have  $f \in (C(w) + W_\mu^2(w\phi)) \setminus (C(w) + \Pi_1)$  for  $\beta_\infty = 0$  and  $\beta_0 \in [-1, 0]$ . The same is true for the function  $f(x) = (1+x) \log(1+x)$  for  $\beta_\infty = -1$  and  $\beta_0 \in [-1, 0]$ .

**Remark 2.**

Theorem (1.1) does not imply for all  $f \in C(w) + W_\mu^2(w\phi)$  that  $\|w(L_n f - f)\| \rightarrow 0$  or  $K_w(f, c_n) \rightarrow 0$  when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Actually, none of these quantities tends to zero with  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for some functions  $f \in C(w)$ . In order to ensure convergence to zero of these quantities one may need to impose additional restrictions on the behavior of  $f$  at 0 and at  $\infty$ . At 0 these restrictions are (see [4])  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^{\beta_0} f(x) = 0$  for  $-1 < \beta_0 < 0$  or the existence of  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^{-1} f(x)$  for  $\beta_0 = -1$ . In the same time, at  $\infty$  the restrictions are more complicated but, shortly, the function  $f$  should not vary very fast in order to allow approximation in  $C(w)$  with functions from  $W_\mu^2(w\phi)$ .

## 2. Main result

It is well known fact that if an operator  $\tilde{L}$  satisfies the following two conditions:

$$\tilde{L} \text{ is linear and positive operator;} \tag{2.1}$$

$$\tilde{L}(1, x) = 1, \quad \tilde{L}(t, x) = x; \tag{2.2}$$

then for every concave continuous function  $f$  the next inequality is true

$$f \geq \tilde{L}f. \tag{2.3}$$

As a consequence of this we have that if an operator  $L$  satisfies the following two conditions:

$$L \text{ is linear and positive operator;} \quad (2.4)$$

$$L(E_0, x) = E_0(x) \text{ , } L(E_1, x) = E_1(x); \quad (2.5)$$

then the operator  $\mu L\left(\frac{f}{\mu}\right)$  satisfies the conditions (2.1) and (2.2) and consequently for every concave continuous function  $f$  the next inequality is true

$$\frac{f}{\mu} \geq L\left(\frac{f}{\mu}\right). \quad (2.6)$$

Now we prove two lemmas which we will need later.

*Lemma 2.1.* For every function  $f \in C(w)[0, \infty)$  we have  $\|wL(f)\| \leq \|wf\|$ , i.e. the norm of the operator is 1.

*Proof.* Let us mention that the function  $\mu(w)^{-1}$  is concave for  $\beta_0, \beta_\infty \in [-1, 0]$  and then from (2.6) we have

$$L((w)^{-1}) = L\left(\frac{\mu(w)^{-1}}{\mu}\right) \leq (w)^{-1}.$$

This one, (2.4) and (2.5) give

$$\begin{aligned} \|wL(f)\| &= \|wL(wf(w)^{-1})\| \\ &\leq \|wf\| \|wL((w)^{-1})\| \\ &\leq \|wf\| \|w(w)^{-1}\| = \|wf\|. \end{aligned}$$

□

*Lemma 2.2.* For  $\beta_0, \beta_\infty \in [-1, 0]$  and  $x, t \in (0, \infty)$

$$\left| \int_x^t \frac{t-u}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \right| \leq 2\sqrt{2} \max \left\{ \frac{(x-t)^2}{\phi(x)w(x)}, \frac{(x-t)^2}{\sqrt{1+t}\sqrt{x}w(x)} \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Case 1.  $t \geq x$ .

It is obvious that  $\frac{1}{\phi(u)w(u)} \leq \frac{1}{\phi(x)w(x)}$  for  $u \in [x, t]$  because the function  $\phi(u)w(u) = u^{1+\beta_0}(1+u)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty}$  is monotonically increasing.

Then we have

$$\left| \int_x^t \frac{t-u}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \right| \leq \frac{(t-x)^2}{2\phi(x)w(x)}. \quad (2.7)$$

Case 2.1.  $t < x$  and  $\beta_\infty \in [-\frac{1}{2}, 0]$ .

In this case the powers  $1 + \beta_0$  and  $-\beta_0 - \beta_\infty$  are positive and consequently

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \int_x^t \frac{t-u}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \right| = \int_t^x \frac{u-t}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \\
&= \int_t^x \frac{u-t}{u^{1+\beta_0}(1+u)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty}} du \\
&= \int_t^x (u-t)^{1-(1+\beta_0)-(-\beta_0-\beta_\infty)} \left(\frac{u-t}{u}\right)^{1+\beta_0} \left(\frac{u-t}{u+1}\right)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty} du \\
&= \int_t^x (u-t)^{\beta_\infty} \left(1-\frac{t}{u}\right)^{1+\beta_0} \left(1-\frac{t+1}{u+1}\right)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty} du \\
&\leq \int_t^x (u-t)^{\beta_\infty} \left(1-\frac{t}{x}\right)^{1+\beta_0} \left(1-\frac{t+1}{x+1}\right)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty} du \\
&= \left(1-\frac{t}{x}\right)^{1+\beta_0} \left(1-\frac{t+1}{x+1}\right)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty} \int_t^x (u-t)^{\beta_\infty} du \\
&= \frac{(x-t)^{1-\beta_\infty}}{x^{1+\beta_0}(1+x)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty}} \int_t^x (u-t)^{\beta_\infty} du \\
&= \frac{(x-t)^{1-\beta_\infty}}{\phi(x)w(x)} (1+\beta_\infty)^{-1} (x-t)^{1+\beta_\infty} \\
&= (1+\beta_\infty)^{-1} \frac{(x-t)^2}{\phi(x)w(x)} \\
&\leq 2 \frac{(x-t)^2}{\phi(x)w(x)}. \tag{2.8}
\end{aligned}$$

Case 2.2.  $t < x$  and  $\beta_\infty \in [-1, -\frac{1}{2}]$ .

In this case  $\frac{1}{(1+u)^{1/2}} \leq \frac{1}{(1+t)^{1/2}}$  for  $u \in [t, x]$  and the powers  $1 + \beta_0$  and  $-\beta_0 - \beta_\infty - 1/2$  are positive. In the same way as in Case 2.1. we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \int_x^t \frac{t-u}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \right| = \int_t^x \frac{u-t}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \\
&= \int_t^x \frac{u-t}{u^{1+\beta_0}(1+u)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty}} du \\
&\leq (1+t)^{-1/2} \int_t^x \frac{u-t}{u^{1+\beta_0}(1+u)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty-1/2}} du \\
&= (1+t)^{-1/2} \int_t^x (u-t)^{\beta_\infty+1/2} \left(1-\frac{t}{u}\right)^{1+\beta_0} \left(1-\frac{t+1}{u+1}\right)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty-1/2} du \\
&\leq (1+t)^{-1/2} \int_t^x (u-t)^{\beta_\infty+1/2} \left(1-\frac{t}{x}\right)^{1+\beta_0} \left(1-\frac{t+1}{x+1}\right)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty-1/2} du \\
&= (1+t)^{-1/2} \left(1-\frac{t}{x}\right)^{1+\beta_0} \left(1-\frac{t+1}{x+1}\right)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty-1/2} \int_t^x (u-t)^{\beta_\infty+1/2} du \\
&= \frac{(x-t)^{1/2-\beta_\infty}}{\sqrt{1+t}x^{1+\beta_0}(1+x)^{-\beta_0-\beta_\infty-1/2}} \int_t^x (u-t)^{\beta_\infty+1/2} du \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1+t}} \frac{(x-t)^{1/2-\beta_\infty}}{\phi(x)w(x)} \left(\frac{3}{2} + \beta_\infty\right)^{-1} (x-t)^{3/2+\beta_\infty}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left(\frac{3}{2} + \beta_\infty\right)^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1+t}} \frac{(x-t)^2}{\phi(x)w(x)} \\
&\leq 2\sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1+t}} \frac{(x-t)^2}{\phi(x)w(x)}.
\end{aligned}$$

Here we consider two subcases for  $x$ . For  $x \in (0, 1]$  we have  $\sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1+t}} \leq \sqrt{2}$  and from the above we obtain

$$\left| \int_x^t \frac{t-u}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \right| \leq 2\sqrt{2} \frac{(x-t)^2}{\phi(x)w(x)}. \quad (2.9)$$

For  $x \in [1, \infty)$  we have  $\frac{\sqrt{1+x}}{x} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2}{x}}$  and consequently

$$\left| \int_x^t \frac{t-u}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \right| \leq 2\sqrt{2} \frac{(x-t)^2}{\sqrt{1+t}\sqrt{x}w(x)}. \quad (2.10)$$

From (2.9) and (2.10) we have

$$\left| \int_x^t \frac{t-u}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \right| \leq \max \left\{ 2\sqrt{2} \frac{(x-t)^2}{\phi(x)w(x)}, 2\sqrt{2} \frac{(x-t)^2}{\sqrt{1+t}\sqrt{x}w(x)} \right\}. \quad (2.11)$$

Finally from (2.7), (2.8) and (2.11) we get

$$\left| \int_x^t \frac{t-u}{\phi(u)w(u)} du \right| \leq 2\sqrt{2} \max \left\{ \frac{(x-t)^2}{\phi(x)w(x)}, \frac{(x-t)^2}{\sqrt{1+t}\sqrt{x}w(x)} \right\}.$$

□

The result from the above lemma we use in the next theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** (*Jackson-type inequality*). *Let us define for an operator  $L$  the quantities*

$$\mathcal{A} = \|\phi^{-1}(L(E_2) - E_2)\| \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{B} = \|\mu^2(L(E_1^2) - E_1^2)\|.$$

*Then for every operator  $L$  which satisfies conditions 2.4 and 2.5 and such that  $\mathcal{A}$  is finite and for every function  $f \in W_\mu^2(w\phi)$  we have*

$$\|w(Lf - f)\| \leq 2\sqrt{2} \|w\phi D^2(\mu f)\| \max \left\{ \mathcal{A}, \sqrt{\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}} \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $g(z) = \mu(z)f(z)$ . Then by using Taylor's formula

$$g(t) = g(x) + (t-x)Dg(x) + \int_x^t (t-v)D^2g(v)dv.$$

we have for  $f(x)$

$$f(t) = f(x) + \frac{t-x}{1+t}(1+x)Df(x) + \frac{1}{1+t} \int_x^t (t-v)D^2(\mu(v)f(v)) dv.$$

Applying operator  $L$  to both sides of the above equality and using (2.4), (2.5) and Lemma 2.2 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
|L(f, x) - f(x)| &= \left| L \left( \frac{1}{1+t} \int_x^t (t-v) D^2(\mu(v)f(v)) dv, x \right) \right| \\
&\leq L \left( \frac{1}{1+t} \left| \int_x^t \frac{t-v}{\phi(v)w(v)} dv \right|, x \right) \|w\phi D^2(\mu f)\| \\
&\leq \|w\phi D^2(\mu f)\| L \left( \max \left\{ 2\sqrt{2} \frac{(x-t)^2}{(1+t)\phi(x)w(x)}, 2\sqrt{2} \frac{(x-t)^2}{(1+t)^{3/2}\sqrt{x}w(x)} \right\}, x \right) \\
&\leq 2\sqrt{2} \frac{\|w\phi D^2(\mu f)\|}{w(x)} \max \left\{ L \left( \frac{(x-t)^2}{(1+t)\phi(x)}, x \right), L \left( \frac{(x-t)^2}{\sqrt{x}(1+t)^{3/2}}, x \right) \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

Applying (2.5) for the first term and Cauchy's inequality and (2.5) for the second term in right hand side of (2.12) we have

$$L \left( \frac{(x-t)^2}{(1+t)\phi(x)}, x \right) = \phi^{-1}(x) (L(E_2, x) - E_2(x))$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
L \left( \frac{(x-t)^2}{\sqrt{x}(1+t)^{3/2}}, x \right) &\leq \left( L \left( \frac{(x-t)^2}{(1+t)\phi(x)}, x \right) \right)^{1/2} \cdot \left( L \left( \frac{(x-t)^2}{(1+t)^2}, x \right) \right)^{1/2} \\
&= (\phi^{-1}(x) (L(E_2, x) - E_2(x)))^{1/2} \cdot (\mu^2(x) (L(E_1^2, x) - E_1^2(x)))^{1/2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing the above two estimations in (2.12) we have

$$w(x) |L(f, x) - g(x)| \leq 2\sqrt{2} \|w\phi D^2(\mu f)\| \cdot \max \left\{ \mathcal{A}(x), \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(x) \cdot \mathcal{B}(x)} \right\}. \tag{2.13}$$

Taking a supremum on  $x$  in (2.13) we complete the proof of Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

As an elementary consequence of this lemma we have that if a function  $f \in W_\mu^2(w\phi)$  then  $Lf - f \in C(w)$ .

From 1.4 and 1.5 it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
|\phi^{-1}(x) (L_n(E_2, x) - E_2(x))| &\leq a_n, \\
|\mu^2(x) (L_n(E_1^2, x) - E_1^2(x))| &\leq b_n.
\end{aligned}$$

Above result and Theorem 2.4 give

**Theorem 2.2.** *For every function  $f \in W_\mu^2(w\phi)$  we have*

$$\|w(L_n f - f)\| \leq 2c_n \|w\phi D^2(\mu f)\|.$$

We use Theorem 2.2 in the proof of Theorem 1.1.

*Proof. (Theorem 1.1)*

Let  $g$  is an arbitrary function in  $W_\mu^2(w\phi)$ , such that  $g - f \in C(w)$ . Then

$$\|w(L_n f - f)\| \leq \|w(L_n f - L_n g)\| + \|w(L_n g - g)\| + \|w(g - f)\|.$$

From Lemma 2.1 and Theorem 2.5 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|w(L_n f - f)\| &\leq 2\|w(f - g)\| + 2c_n \|w\phi D^2(\mu f)\| \\ &= 2(\|w(f - g)\| + c_n \|w\phi D^2(\mu f)\|). \end{aligned}$$

Taking infimum on all  $g \in W_\mu^2(w\phi)$  such that  $(f - g) \in C(w)$  in the above inequality we complete the proof of Theorem 1.1.  $\square$

Now we can easily prove a similar result for linear positive operators which reproduce linear functions.

Let us denote the basic test functions by  $e_i$ , i.e.  $e_i(x) = x^i$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2$  and the weight by  $\psi(x) = x(1+x)$ . Let the sequence of linear positive operators  $L_n$  satisfy the next conditions

$$L_n(e_i, x) = e_i(x), \quad i = 0, 1, \quad (2.14)$$

$$L_n(e_2, x) = e_2(x) + Q_n(x), \quad (2.15)$$

$$L_n(E_0, x) = E_0(x) + R_n(x), \quad (2.16)$$

where  $|Q_n(x)| \leq q_n \psi(x)$ ,  $|R_n(x)| \leq r_n E_0(x)$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = 0$ .

The weights in consideration are

$$w_\gamma(x) = w_\gamma(\gamma_0, \gamma_\infty; x) = \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{\gamma_0} (1+x)^{\gamma_\infty}, \quad \gamma_0, \gamma_\infty \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (2.17)$$

We also set

$$W^2(w_\gamma \psi) = \{g, g' \in AC_{loc}(0, \infty) : w_\gamma \psi D^2 g \in L_\infty[0, \infty)\}.$$

and for  $t > 0$  and every function  $f \in C(w_\gamma) + W^2(w_\gamma \psi)$  a  $K$ -functional  $K_{w_\gamma}(f, t)$  by

$$K_{w_\gamma}(f, t) = \inf_{g \in W^2(w_\gamma \psi), f-g \in C(w_\gamma)} \{\|w_\gamma(f - g)\|_{[0, \infty)} + t\|w_\gamma \psi D^2 g\|_{[0, \infty)}\}.$$

It is not difficult to see that the operators  $\frac{1}{\mu(x)} L_n(\mu f, x)$  satisfy the conditions (1.3 - 1.5) with  $q_n = a_n$  and  $r_n = b_n$ . Applying Theorem (1.1) for the operators  $\frac{1}{\mu(x)} L_n(\mu f, x)$ , the function  $\frac{f}{\mu}$  and the weight  $\mu w_\gamma$  we obtain

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $w_\gamma$  be given by (2.17) with  $\gamma_0, \gamma_\infty \in [-1, 0]$  and  $d_n = \sqrt{2} \max\{q_n, \sqrt{q_n r_n}\}$ . Then for every  $f \in C(w_\gamma) + W^2(w_\gamma \psi)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have*

$$\|w_\gamma(L_n f - f)\| \leq 2K_{w_\gamma}(f, d_n).$$



### 3. Applications

#### 3.1. Immediate applications

–**A slight modification of classical Baskakov operator**

For bounded and continuous on  $[0, \infty)$  functions  $f$  and natural  $n \geq 2$  we consider linear positive operator

$$B_n^{[sl]}(f, x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_{n,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k}{n-1}\right).$$

It is easy to see that the conditions 1.3, 1.4 and 1.5 are satisfied with  $a_n = \frac{1}{n-1}$ ,  $b_n \leq \frac{1}{n-2}$  and the result of Theorem 1.1 is

**Proposition 3.1.** *For every  $f \in C(w)[0, \infty) + W_{\mu}^2(w\phi)[0, \infty)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , we have*

$$\|w(f - B_n^{[sl]}f)\| \leq 2K_w \left( f, \sqrt{\frac{2}{(n-1)(n-2)}} \right) \leq 2K_w \left( f, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{n-2} \right).$$

– **Agrawal and Thamer operators**

The Durrmeyer-Baskakov-type operator is given for every natural  $n$  by

$$B_n^{[AT]}(f, x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_{n,k}(x) b_{n,k}(f), \tag{3.1}$$

$$b_{n,0}(f) = f(0); \quad b_{n,k}(f) = (n-1) \int_0^{\infty} P_{n,k-1}(y) f(y) dy, \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$

where  $f$  is Lebesgue measurable on  $(0, \infty)$  with a finite limit  $f(0)$  at 0. The modification was introduced by Agrawal and Thamer [2]. Here conditions 1.3, 1.4 and 1.5 are satisfied with  $a_n = \frac{2}{n-2}$ ,  $b_n \leq \frac{2}{n-2}$  and the result of Theorem 1.1 is

**Proposition 3.2.** *For every  $f \in C(w)[0, \infty) + W_{\mu}^2(w\phi)[0, \infty)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , we have*

$$\|w(f - B_n^{[AT]}f)\| \leq 2K_w \left( f, \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n-2} \right).$$

#### 3.2. Applications for Baskakov-type Operators that preserve linear functions

–**Classical Baskakov operator**

It is easy to see that the operator  $B_n$  defined by (1.1) satisfy the conditions (2.14), (2.15) and (2.16) with  $q_n = 1/n$  and  $r_n = 1/(n-1)$ . So, applying Theorem (2.3) we have

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $w_{\gamma}$  be given by (2.17) with  $\gamma_0, \gamma_{\infty} \in [-1, 0]$ . Then for every  $f \in C(w_{\gamma})[0, \infty) + W^2(w_{\gamma}\psi)[0, \infty)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , we have*

$$\|w_{\gamma}(f - B_n f)\| \leq 2K_{w_{\gamma}} \left( f, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{n-1} \right).$$

**Remarks.**

1. Actually

$$\frac{1}{\mu(x)}B_n(\mu f, x) = B_{n+1}^{[sl]}(f, x), \quad x \in [0, \infty).$$

2. More general direct result and a strong converse result of type A are obtained in [6] using different arguments:

**Proposition 3.4.** *Let  $w_\gamma$  be given by (2.17) with  $\gamma_0 \in [-1, 0]$ ,  $\gamma_\infty \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then there exists positive constants  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  and  $L$  such that for every  $f \in C(w_\gamma)[0, \infty) + W^2(w_\gamma\psi)[0, \infty)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq L$ , we have*

$$C_1\|w_\gamma(f - B_n f)\| \leq K_{w_\gamma} \left( f, \frac{1}{n} \right) \leq C_2\|w_\gamma(f - B_n f)\|.$$

**–A Goodman-Sharma modification of classical Baskakov operator**

Finta [5] introduced in 2005 the operator

$$V_n(f, x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_{n,k}(x)v_{n,k}(f),$$

$$v_{n,0}(f) = f(0); \quad v_{n,k}(f) = (n+1) \int_0^\infty P_{n+2,k-1}(y)f(y) dy, \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$

where  $f$  is Lebesgue measurable on  $(0, \infty)$  with a finite limit  $f(0)$  at 0.

The operator  $V_n$  satisfy the conditions (2.14), (2.15) and (2.16) with  $q_n = 2/(n-1)$  and  $r_n = 2/(n-1)$ . So, applying applying Theorem (2.3) we have

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $w_\gamma$  be given by (2.17) with  $\gamma_0, \gamma_\infty \in [-1, 0]$ . Then for every  $f \in C(w_\gamma)[0, \infty) + W^2(w_\gamma\psi)[0, \infty)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , we have*

$$\|w_\gamma(f - V_n f)\| \leq 2K_{w_\gamma} \left( f, \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n-1} \right).$$

**Remarks.**

1. Actually

$$\frac{1}{\mu(x)}V_n(\mu f, x) = B_{n+1}^{[AT]}(f, x), \quad x \in [0, \infty).$$

2. A better direct result and a strong converse result of type A are obtained in [7] using different arguments:

**Proposition 3.6.** *Let  $w_\gamma$  be given by (2.17) with  $\gamma_0, \gamma_\infty \in [-1, 0]$ . Then for every  $f \in C(w_\gamma) + W^2(w_\gamma\psi)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 4$ , we have*

$$\|w_\gamma(f - V_n f)\| \leq 2K_{w_\gamma} \left( f, \frac{1}{2n} \right) \leq 13.7\|w_\gamma(f - V_n f)\|.$$

**–A Baskakov-Szasz-Durrmeyer operator**

In [11] Gupta and Srivastava proposed the Durrmeyer-type Baskakov-Szasz operator as

$$V_n^*(f, x) = n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_{n,k}(x) \int_0^\infty s_{n,k}(t)f(t)dt,$$

where

$$s_{n,k}(t) = e^{-nt} \frac{(nt)^k}{k!}$$

are the basic Szasz-Mirakjan polynomials. But this operator does not preserve linear functions. So, we slightly modify  $V_n^*$  in a Goodman-Sharma way and consider the operator

$$\tilde{V}_n(f, x) = f(0)(1+x)^{-n} + n \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_{n,k}(x) \int_0^{\infty} s_{n,k-1}(t) f(t) dt.$$

It is easy to see that  $\tilde{V}_n$  satisfy conditions 2.14 and 2.15 with  $Q_n(x) = \frac{x(x+2)}{n}$ . From here we have  $q_n \leq \frac{2}{n}$ .

Now we will prove that  $r_n \leq \frac{2}{n-1}$ . Indeed, since the function  $E_0$  is convex and the operator  $\tilde{V}_n$  is linear and positive and reproduces linear functions it follows that

$$E_0(x) \leq \tilde{V}_n(E_0, x). \quad (3.2)$$

At the same time we have for  $k = 1$

$$n \int_0^{\infty} e^{-nt} \frac{dt}{1+t} \leq n \int_0^{\infty} e^{-nt} dt = 1 = \frac{n+1}{n+1} \quad (3.3)$$

and for  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$I_k = n \int_0^{\infty} s_{n,k-1}(t) \frac{dt}{1+t} = \frac{n}{k-1} - \frac{n}{k-1} I_{k-1} \quad (3.4)$$

and

$$I_k = I_{k-1} - \int_0^{\infty} s_{n,k-1}(t) \frac{dt}{(1+t)^2}. \quad (3.5)$$

Multiplying (3.5) by  $\frac{n}{k-1}$  and summing with (3.4) we obtain

$$I_k = \frac{n}{n+k-1} - \frac{1}{n+k-1} \int_0^{\infty} s_{n,k-1}(t) \frac{dt}{(1+t)^2} \leq \frac{n+1}{n+k}. \quad (3.6)$$

From (3.3) and (3.6) it follows that for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$n \int_0^{\infty} s_{n,k-1}(t) \frac{dt}{1+t} \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \frac{n}{n+k}. \quad (3.7)$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{V}_n\left(\frac{1}{1+t}, x\right) &\leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P_{n,k}(x) \frac{1}{1+k/n} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) B_n\left(\frac{1}{1+t}, x\right) \\ &\leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \frac{n}{n-1} \frac{1}{1+x} = \frac{n+1}{n-1} \frac{1}{1+x} = E_0 + \frac{2}{n-1} E_0. \end{aligned}$$

So, applying Theorem (2.3) for the operator  $\tilde{V}_n$  we obtain

**Proposition 3.7.** *Let  $w_\gamma$  be given by (2.17) with  $\gamma_0, \gamma_\infty \in [-1, 0]$ . Then for every  $f \in C(w_\gamma)[0, \infty) + W^2(w_\gamma\psi)[0, \infty)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , we have*

$$\|w_\gamma(f - \tilde{V}_n f)\| \leq 2K_{w_\gamma} \left(f, \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n-1}\right).$$

### 3.3. Applications for Meyer-König and Zeller-type operators that preserve linear functions

#### –Classical Meyer-König and Zeller operators

The Meyer-König and Zeller operator (introduced in 1960 [9]) in the slight modification of Cheney and Sharma [3] is defined for  $f \in C[0, 1)$  by

$$M_n f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} m_{n,k}(x) f\left(\frac{k}{k+n}\right), \quad x \in [0, 1),$$

where  $m_{n,k}(x) = \binom{n+k}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n+1}$ .

We shall utilize the change of variable  $\sigma : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$  given by

$$x = \sigma(\tilde{x}) = \frac{\tilde{x}}{1 + \tilde{x}}.$$

A function  $\tilde{f}$  defined on  $[0, \infty)$  is transformed to a function  $f$  defined on  $[0, 1)$  by

$$f(x) = \tilde{f}(\sigma(\tilde{x})) = \tilde{f}(\tilde{x}).$$

The weights in consideration are

$$w_\alpha(x) = w_\alpha(\alpha_0, \alpha_1; x) = x^{\alpha_0} (1-x)^{\alpha_1}, \quad (3.8)$$

and  $\varphi(x) = x(1-x)^2$  for  $x \in [0, 1)$  and real  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1$ .

We also set  $W^2(w_\alpha \varphi)[0, 1) = \{g, g' \in AC_{loc}(0, 1) : w_\alpha \varphi D^2 g \in L_\infty[0, 1)\}$ .

By analogy with (1.9) we define the  $K$ -functional between the weighted spaces  $C(w_\alpha)$  and  $W^2(w_\alpha \varphi)$ , which for every  $f \in C(w_\alpha)[0, 1) + W^2(w_\alpha \varphi)[0, 1)$  and  $t > 0$  is defined by

$$K_{w_\alpha}(f, t)_{[0,1)} = \inf_{g \in W^2(w_\alpha \varphi), f-g \in C(w_\alpha)} \{ \|w_\alpha(f-g)\|_{[0,1)} + t \|w_\alpha \varphi D^2 g\|_{[0,1)} \}.$$

Using the equalities

$$\begin{aligned} B_{n+1}^{[sl]}(\tilde{f}, \tilde{x}) &= M_n(f, x), \\ \phi(\tilde{x}) D^2 \left( \mu(\tilde{x}) \tilde{f}(\tilde{x}) \right) &= \varphi(x) D^2 f(x), \end{aligned}$$

the relations between the weights with tildes and without tildes and the result in Proposition 3.1 we have

**Proposition 3.8.** *Let  $w_\alpha$  be given by (3.8) with  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1 \in [-1, 0]$ . Then for every  $f \in C(w_\alpha)[0, 1) + W^2(w_\alpha \varphi)[0, 1)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have*

$$\|w_\alpha(f - M_n f)\| \leq 2K_{w_\alpha} \left( f, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{n-1} \right).$$

### –A Goodman-Sharma modification of MKZ operator

The Goodman-Sharma-type modification of MKZ operator (GS-MKZ) is given for natural  $n$  by

$$M_n^{[GS]} f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} m_{n,k}(x) u_{n,k}(f),$$

$$u_{n,0}(f) = f(0), \quad u_{n,k}(f) = n \int_0^1 m_{n,k-1}(y) f(y) \frac{dy}{(1-y)^2}, \quad \text{for } k \geq 1$$

where  $f$  is a Lebesgue integrable in  $(0, 1)$  function with a finite limit  $f(0)$  at 0.

Using the equalities

$$B_{n+1}^{[AT]}(\tilde{f}, \tilde{x}) = M_n^{[GS]}(f, x),$$

$$\phi(\tilde{x}) D^2 \left( \mu(\tilde{x}) \tilde{f}(\tilde{x}) \right) = \varphi(x) D^2 f(x),$$

the relations between the weights with tildes and without tildes and the result in Proposition 3.2 we have

**Proposition 3.9.** *Let  $w_\alpha$  be given by (3.8) with  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1 \in [-1, 0]$ . Then for every  $f \in C(w_\alpha)[0, 1) + W^2(w_\alpha \varphi)[0, 1)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , we have*

$$\|w_\alpha(f - M_n^{[GS]} f)\| \leq 2K_{w_\alpha} \left( f, \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{n-1} \right).$$

A better direct result and a strong converse result of type A are obtained in [8] using different arguments:

**Proposition 3.10.** *Let  $w_\alpha$  be given by (3.8) with  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1 \in [-1, 0]$ . Then for every  $f \in C(w_\alpha)[0, 1) + W^2(w_\alpha \varphi)[0, 1)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 4$ , we have*

$$\|w_\alpha(f - M_n^{[GS]} f)\| \leq 2K_{w_\alpha} \left( \tilde{f}, \frac{1}{2n} \right) \leq 13.7 \|w(f - M_n^{[GS]} f)\|_{[0,1)}.$$

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