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## Approximation by *q*-parametric operators

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**Abstract.** We establish sufficient conditions to insure the convergence of a sequence of positive linear operators defined on C[0, 1]. As applications we obtain quantitative estimates for some q-parametric operators.

## 1. Introduction

The development of the q-calculus has led to the discovery of q-parametric operators. The first example in this direction was given by A. LUPAş in 1987. He introduced a q-analogue of the well-known Bernstein operators (see [10]), denoted by  $R_{n,q}(f,x)$ , where  $n = 1, 2, \ldots, q \in (0, 1), f \in C[0, 1]$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ . In [14], OSTROVSKA defined the limit Lupaş operator  $\tilde{R}_{\infty,q}(f,x)$  and proved the convergence of the sequence  $\{R_{n,q}(f,x)\}$  to  $\tilde{R}_{\infty,q}(f,x)$  as  $n \to \infty$ , uniformly for  $x \in [0, 1]$ . The case  $q \in (1, \infty)$  was also considered in [10] (resp. in [14]).

In 1992, L. LUPAŞ [11] and independently, in 2000, TRIF [17] considered the q-Meyer–König and Zeller operators  $M_{n,q}(f,x)$ , where  $n = 1, 2, \ldots, q \in (0,1)$ ,  $f \in C[0,1]$  and  $x \in [0,1]$ . WANG proved in [19], among others, that the sequence  $\{M_{n,q}(f,x)\}$  converges to the limit q-Bernstein operator  $B_{\infty,q}(f,x)$  as  $n \to \infty$ , uniformly for  $x \in [0,1]$ .

Later, in 1997, PHILLIPS introduced a new generalization of the classical Bernstein operators, based on q-integers (see [15] and [16]). He defined the so-called q-Bernstein operators  $B_{n,q}(f, x)$ , where  $n = 1, 2, \ldots, q \in (0, 1), f \in C[0, 1]$ 

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and  $x \in [0, 1]$ . From the properties of q-Bernstein operators, we mention the following one established by IL'INSKII and OSTROVSKA [8]: the sequence  $\{B_{n,q}(f, x)\}$  converges to  $B_{\infty,q}(f, x)$  as  $n \to \infty$ , uniformly for  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

Further important q-parametric operators were introduced and studied by S. LEWANOWICZ and P. WOŽNY [9], M.-M. DERRIENNIC [3], V. GUPTA [6], A. ARAL [1], V. GUPTA and H. WANG [7], A. ARAL and V. GUPTA [2], and G. NOWAK [12], respectively.

Let  $(L_n)$  be a sequence of positive linear operators such that  $L_n : C[0,1] \to C[0,1]$ , n = 1, 2, ... Motivated by the above convergence results, we propose to obtain sufficient conditions to insure the convergence of the sequence  $(L_n)$  to its limit operator denoted by  $L_{\infty}$ . Moreover, the rate of approximation  $||L_n f - L_{\infty} f||$  will be estimated by the second order Ditzian–Totik modulus of smoothness of  $f \in C[0,1]$ , defined by

$$\omega_{\varphi}^{2}(f,t) = \sup_{0 < h \le t} \sup_{x \pm h\varphi(x) \in [0,1]} |f(x + h\varphi(x)) - 2f(x) + f(x - h\varphi(x))|, \quad (1)$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  denotes the uniform norm on C[0, 1] and  $\varphi$  is an admissible step-weight function on [0, 1] (for details see [5]). The corresponding K-functional to (1) is defined for  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and t > 0 as follows:

$$K_{2,\varphi}(f,t) = \inf\{\|f - g\| + t \,\|\varphi^2 g''\| : g \in W^2(\varphi)\},\$$

where  $W^2(\varphi) = \{g \in C[0,1] : g' \in AC_{loc}[0,1], \varphi^2 g'' \in C[0,1]\}$  and  $g' \in AC_{loc}[0,1]$ means that g is differentiable and g' is absolutely continuous on every interval  $[a,b] \subset [0,1]$ . In view of [5, Theorem 2.1.1] there exists C > 0 such that

$$C^{-1}\omega_{\varphi}^{2}(f,\sqrt{t}) \leq K_{2,\varphi}(f,t) \leq C\omega_{\varphi}^{2}(f,\sqrt{t}).$$
<sup>(2)</sup>

Here we mention that C will denote throughout this paper a positive constant which can be different at each occurrence, and it is independent of n, f and x. Further, we use the notations  $e_0(x) = 1$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $e_2(x) = x^2$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

In Section 2 is established our main theorem, and in Section 3 is applied this theorem for some q-parametric operators.

### 2. Main result

The next result is our main theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $(L_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be a sequence of positive linear operators on C[0,1] and let  $(\alpha_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be a positive sequence such that  $\alpha_n \to 0^+$  as  $n \to \infty$ . If the positive sequence  $(\beta_n)_{n\geq 1}$  satisfies the conditions:

- (i)  $\beta_n + \beta_{n+1} + \dots + \beta_{n+p-1} \leq C\alpha_n$  for every  $n, p = 1, 2, \dots,$
- (ii)  $||L_ng L_{n+1}g|| \le C\beta_n ||\varphi^2 g''||$  for every  $g \in W^2(\varphi)$  and  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ ,

then there exists a positive linear operator  $L_{\infty}$  on C[0,1] such that  $||L_n f - L_{\infty} f|| \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , for every  $f \in C[0,1]$ . Furthermore,

$$\|L_n f - L_\infty f\| \le C \,\omega_\varphi^2(f, \sqrt{\alpha_n}),\tag{3}$$

where  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  are arbitrary.

PROOF OF THEOREM 2.1. We mention that  $||L_n f - L_{\infty} f|| \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , is a consequence of (3), because  $\alpha_n \to 0^+$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

Furthermore, in view of (ii) and (i), we find for every  $g \in W^2(\varphi)$  and  $n, p = 1, 2, \ldots$  that

$$||L_ng - L_{n+p}g|| \le ||L_ng - L_{n+1}g|| + ||L_{n+1}g - L_{n+2}g|| + \dots + ||L_{n+p-1}g - L_{n+p}g||$$
  
$$\le C(\beta_n + \beta_{n+1} + \dots + \beta_{n+p-1})||\varphi^2 g''|| \le C\alpha_n ||\varphi^2 g''||.$$
(4)

Let  $g = e_0$  in (4). Then  $L_n e_0 = L_{n+p} e_0$  for all n, p = 1, 2, ... In this case the positivity of  $L_n$  implies that

$$|L_n(f,x)| \le L_n(|f|,x) \le L_n(||f||e_0,x) = ||f||L_n(e_0,x) = ||f||L_1(e_0,x)$$
  
$$\le ||f|| ||L_1e_0||$$

for  $x \in [0,1]$ ,  $f \in C[0,1]$  and n = 1, 2, ... Hence  $||L_n f|| \le ||L_1 e_0|| ||f||$  for  $f \in C[0,1]$  and n = 1, 2, ... This means that

$$\|L_n\| \le \|L_1 e_0\| < \infty \tag{5}$$

for all n = 1, 2, ...

On the other hand,  $W^2(\varphi)$  is dense in C[0,1]. Then, by the well-known Banach-Steinhaus theorem (see [4]), it is sufficient to prove the convergence of the sequence  $(L_ng)_{n\geq 1}$  in C[0,1], for each  $g \in W^2(\varphi)$ . Because  $\alpha_n \to 0^+$  as  $n \to \infty$ , we get, in view of (4), that  $(L_ng)_{n\geq 1}$  is a Cauchy-sequence and therefore

converges in C[0, 1]. In conclusion there exists an operator  $L_{\infty}$  on C[0, 1] such that  $||L_n f - L_{\infty} f|| \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , for all  $f \in C[0, 1]$ . This also implies that  $L_{\infty}$  is a positive linear operator on C[0, 1], because  $L_n$  are positive linear operators for all n = 1, 2, ...

Further, by (5),

$$||L_n f|| \le ||L_n|| \, ||f|| \le ||L_1 e_0|| \, ||f|| \tag{6}$$

for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$ . Because we have the convergence  $L_n f \to L_{\infty} f$  in the uniform norm for all  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , then (6) implies

$$\|L_{\infty}f\| \le \|L_1e_0\| \,\|f\| \tag{7}$$

for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$ .

Now let  $p \to \infty$  in (4). Then

$$\|L_n g - L_\infty g\| \le C\alpha_n \|\varphi^2 g''\|,\tag{8}$$

where  $g \in W^2(\varphi)$  and n = 1, 2, ... By combining (6), (7) and (8), we find for every  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , that

$$||L_n f - L_{\infty} f|| \le ||L_n f - L_n g|| + ||L_n g - L_{\infty} g|| + ||L_{\infty} g - L_{\infty} f||$$
  
$$\le 2||L_1 e_0|| ||f - g|| + C\alpha_n ||\varphi^2 g''|| \le C\{||f - g|| + \alpha_n ||\varphi^2 g''||\}.$$

Taking the infimum on the right-hand side over all  $g \in W^2(\varphi)$ , we get

$$||L_n f - L_\infty f|| \le C K_{2,\varphi}(f,\alpha_n).$$

Hence, by (2), we obtain the estimate (3). This completes the proof of our theorem.  $\hfill \Box$ 

We mention that WANG established in [18] a Korovkin-type theorem, which insures for a sequence  $(L_n)$  of positive linear operators on C[0, 1] that there exists an operator  $L_{\infty}$  on C[0, 1] such that  $||L_n f - L_{\infty}|| \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$ . Our theorem is different from Wang's result.

## 3. Applications

In this section we shall apply Theorem 2.1 for some q-parametric operators, namely for the q-Bernstein operator defined by PHILLIPS [15], for the q-Meyer-König and Zeller operator introduced by TRIF [17] (see also [11]) and for a q-analogue of the Bernstein operator considered by LUPAş in [10].

 $\mathbf{1}^\circ$  Let  $0 < q \leq 1.$  For each non-negative integer k, the  $q\text{-integers}\;[k]$  and the  $q\text{-factorials}\;[k]!$  are defined by

$$[k] = \begin{cases} 1 + q + \dots + q^{k-1}, & \text{if } k \ge 1\\ 0, & \text{if } k = 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$[k]! = \begin{cases} [1][2] \dots [k], & \text{if } k \ge 1\\ 1, & \text{if } k = 0. \end{cases}$$

For integers  $0 \le k \le n$ , the q-binomial coefficients are defined by

$$\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} = \frac{[n]!}{[k]![n-k]!}$$

In [15], PHILLIPS defined the following generalization of the classical Bernstein operators, based on q-integers. For each n = 1, 2, ... and  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , we define the q-Bernstein operators as

$$(B_{n,q}f)(x) \equiv B_{n,q}(f,x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} f\left(\frac{[k]}{[n]}\right) p_{n,k}(q,x),$$

where  $x \in [0, 1]$  and

$$p_{n,k}(q,x) = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)(1-xq)\dots(1-xq^{n-k-1}), & \text{if } 0 \le k \le n-1 \\ x^n, & \text{if } k = n. \end{cases}$$

For q = 1, we recover the well-known Bernstein operators.

By [15, (15)], we have  $B_{n,q}(e_2, x) = x^2 + [n]^{-1}x(1-x), x \in [0, 1]$ . Hence

$$B_{n,q}(e_2, x) - x^2 = \frac{1}{[n]} \varphi^2(x), \qquad (9)$$

where  $\varphi(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}$ ,  $x \in [0,1]$  and  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ 

Using [13, (3.2)], we have for  $g \in W^2(\varphi)$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ ,

$$B_{n,q}(g,x) - B_{n+1,q}(g,x) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{n,k}(g) p_{n+1,k}(q,x), \qquad (10)$$

where

$$a_{n,k}(g) = \frac{[n+1-k]}{[n+1]}g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n]}\right) + q^{n+1-k}\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}g\left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]}\right) - g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right).$$
(11)

By Taylor's formula, we find

$$g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n]}\right) = g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) + \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - \frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right)g'\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) + \int_{[k]/[n+1]}^{[k]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - u\right)g''(u)$$

and

$$g\left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]}\right) = g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) + \left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]} - \frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right)g'\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) + \int_{[k]/[n+1]}^{[k-1]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]} - u\right)g''(u)\,du.$$

Then, in view of (11), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} a_{n,k}(g) &= \frac{[n+1-k]}{[n+1]} g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n]}\right) + q^{n+1-k} \frac{[k]}{[n+1]} g\left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]}\right) \\ &- \frac{[n+1-k] + q^{n+1-k}[k]}{[n+1]} g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) \\ &= \frac{[n+1-k]}{[n+1]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - \frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) g'\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) \\ &+ \frac{[n+1-k]}{[n+1]} \int_{[k]/[n+1]}^{[k]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - u\right) g''(u) \, du \\ &+ \frac{q^{n+1-k}[k]}{[n+1]} \left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]} - \frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) g'\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) \\ &+ \frac{q^{n+1-k}[k]}{[n+1]} \int_{[k]/[n+1]}^{[k-1]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]} - u\right) g''(u) \, du \\ &= \frac{[n+1-k]}{[n+1]} \int_{[k]/[n+1]}^{[k]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - u\right) g''(u) \, du \\ &+ \frac{q^{n+1-k}[k]}{[n+1]} \int_{[k]/[n+1]}^{[k-1]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]} - u\right) g''(u) \, du \end{aligned}$$

because

$$\frac{[n+1-k]}{[n+1]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - \frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) + \frac{q^{n+1-k}[k]}{[n+1]} \left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]} - \frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right)$$

$$= \frac{[k]}{[n][n+1]^2} \left\{ [n+1-k]([n+1]-[n]) + q^{n+1-k}([k-1][n+1]-[k][n]) \right\}$$
$$= \frac{[k]}{[n][n+1]^2} \left\{ [n+1-k]q^n + q^{n+1-k}(-q^{k-1}[n+1-k]) \right\} = 0.$$

Taking into account (12), (9) and the estimate

$$\left| \int_{x}^{t} (t-u)g''(u) \, du \right| \le (t-x)^2 \varphi^{-2}(x) \|\varphi^2 g''\|, \tag{13}$$

(see [5, Lemma 9.6.1]), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{n,k}(g)| &\leq \frac{[n+1-k]}{[n+1]} \left| \int_{[k]/[n+1]}^{[k]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - u\right) g''(u) \, du \right| \\ &+ \frac{q^{n+1-k}[k]}{[n+1]} \left| \int_{[k]/[n+1]}^{[k-1]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]} - u\right) g''(u) \, du \right| \\ &\leq \frac{[n+1-k]}{[n+1]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - \frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right)^2 \varphi^{-2} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) \|\varphi^2 g''\| \\ &+ \frac{q^{n+1-k}[k]}{[n+1]} \left(\frac{[k-1]}{[n]} - \frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right)^2 \varphi^{-2} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) \|\varphi^2 g''\| \\ &= \left\{ \frac{[n+1-k][k]([n+1]-[n])^2}{[n]^2[n+1]([n+1]-[k]])} \\ &+ \frac{q^{n+1-k}([k-1][n+1]-[k][n])^2}{[n]^2[n+1]([n+1]-[k])} \right\} \|\varphi^2 g''\| \\ &= \left\{ \frac{[n+1-k][k]q^{2n}}{[n]^2[n+1]q^k[n+1-k]} \\ &+ \frac{q^{n+1-k}(-q^{k-1}[n+1-k]]^2}{[n]^2[n+1]q^k[n+1-k]} \right\} \|\varphi^2 g''\| \\ &= \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2[n+1]} \left\{ q^{n+1-k}[k] + [n+1-k] \right\} \|\varphi^2 g''\| = \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} \|\varphi^2 g''\|. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by (10), (14) and  $B_{n+1,q}(e_0, x) = 1$  (see [15, (13)]), we have

$$|B_{n,q}(g,x) - B_{n+1,q}(g,x)| \le \sum_{k=1}^{n} |a_{n,k}(g)| p_{n+1,k}(q,x)$$
  
$$\le \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} \|\varphi^2 g''\| p_{n+1,k}(q,x)$$
  
$$\le \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} B_{n+1,q}(e_0,x) \|\varphi^2 g''\| = \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} \|\varphi^2 g''\|.$$
(15)

Let  $\beta_n = q^{n-1}/[n]^2$ , n = 1, 2, ..., where 0 < q < 1. Then

$$\beta_n + \beta_{n+1} + \dots + \beta_{n+p-1} \le \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} \left( 1 + q + \dots + q^{p-1} \right)$$
$$\le \frac{1}{[n]^2} \frac{q^{n-1}}{1-q} \le \frac{q^{n-1}}{(1-q^n)^2}$$

for all n, p = 1, 2, ..., i.e. we obtain the condition (i) of Theorem 2.1 with  $\alpha_n =$ 

 $q^{n-1}/(1-q^n)^2$ , n = 1, 2, ... Obviously  $\alpha_n \to 0^+$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Due to (15), we get  $||B_{n,q}g - B_{n+1,q}g|| \le \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} ||\varphi^2 g''||$ , which is the condition (ii) of Theorem 2.1 for the q-Bernstein operator. Applying Theorem 2.1, we have the following statement.

Let  $q \in (0,1)$  be given. Then there exists a positive linear operator  $L_{\infty,q}$  on C[0,1] such that

$$||B_{n,q}f - L_{\infty,q}f|| \le C\omega_{\varphi}^2 \left(f, \sqrt{q^{n-1}}/(1-q^n)\right)$$

for all  $f \in C[0,1]$  and  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ . The operator  $L_{\infty,q}$  coincides with the limit q-Bernstein operator  $B_{\infty,q}$ , because in [8] it is proved that  $\{B_{n,q}f\}$  converges to  $B_{\infty,q}f$  as  $n \to \infty$ , uniformly on [0,1].

 $2^{\circ}$  Let  $0 < q \leq 1$ . For each  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  and  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , we define the q-Meyer-König and Zeller operators [17] as follows.

$$(M_{n,q}f)(x) \equiv M_{n,q}(f,x) = \begin{cases} \prod_{s=0}^{n} (1-xq^s) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+k]}\right) {n+k \choose k} x^k, & \text{if } 0 \le x < 1 \\ f(1), & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

For q = 1, we recover the well-known Meyer–König and Zeller operators. By [17, (2.3)-(2.4)], we have

$$|M_{n,q}(e_2, x) - x^2| \le \frac{1}{[n-1]} x(1-x)(1-xq^n) + \frac{[2]q^{n-1}}{[n-1][n-2]} x(1-x)(1-xq)(1-xq^n) \le \frac{1}{[n-1]} \varphi^2(x) + \frac{1}{[n-1]} \varphi^2(x) \le \frac{4}{[n]} \varphi^2(x),$$
(16)

where  $n \ge 4$  and  $\varphi(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}, x \in [0,1].$ 

On the other hand, by [17, Theorem 3.3], we have for  $x \in [0, 1], n = 1, 2, ...$ and  $g \in W^2(\varphi)$ ,

$$M_{n,q}(g,x) - M_{n+1,q}(g,x) = x \prod_{s=0}^{n} (1 - xq^s) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} {n+k \choose k} x^k \left\{ q^{n+1} \frac{[n+k+1]}{[n+1]} g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+k+1]}\right) - q^{n+1} \frac{[n+k+1]}{[n+1]} g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) - \frac{[n+k+1]}{[k+1]} g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) + \frac{[n+k+1]}{[k+1]} g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+1]}\right) \right\}.$$
(17)

By Taylor's formula, we obtain

$$g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+k+1]}\right) = g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) + \left(\frac{[k]}{[n+k+1]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right)g'\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) + \int_{[k+1]/[n+k+2]}^{[k]/[n+k+1]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n+k+1]} - u\right)g''(u) \, du = g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) - \frac{q^k[n+1]}{[n+k+1][n+k+2]}g'\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) + \int_{[k+1]/[n+k+2]}^{[k]/[n+k+1]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n+k+1]} - u\right)g''(u) \, du$$
(18)

and

$$g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+1]}\right) = g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) + \left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+1]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right)g'\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) + \int_{[k+1]/[n+k+2]}^{[k+1]/[n+k+1]} \left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+1]} - u\right)g''(u)du = g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) + \frac{q^k[n+1]}{[n+k+1][n+k+2]}g'\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]}\right) + \int_{[k+1]/[n+k+2]}^{[k+1]/[n+k+1]} \left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+1]} - u\right)g''(u)du,$$
(19)

respectively. Then, in view of (17), (18), (19), (16), (13) and  $M_{n,q}(e_0, x) = 1$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$  (see [17, (2.1)]), we have

$$\begin{split} |M_{n,q}(g,x) - M_{n+1,q}(g,x)| &\leq x \prod_{s=0}^{n} (1 - xq^{s}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{n+k}{k} \right] x^{k} \\ &\times \left| q^{n+1} \frac{[n+k+1]}{[n+1]} \left( \frac{[k]}{[n+k+1]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]} \right) + \frac{[n+k+1]}{[k+1]} \right. \\ &\times \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+1]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]} \right) \left| \left| g' \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]} \right) \right| \\ &+ x \prod_{s=0}^{n} (1 - xq^{s}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{n+k}{k} \right] x^{k} \\ &\times \left\{ q^{n+1} \frac{[n+k+1]}{[k+1]} \right| \int_{[k+1]/[n+k+2]}^{[k]/[n+k+1]} \left( \frac{[k]}{[n+k+1]} - u \right) g''(u) du \right| \\ &+ \frac{[n+k+1]}{[k+1]} \left| \int_{[k+1]/[n+k+2]}^{[k+1]/[n+k+2]} \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+1]} - u \right) g''(u) du \right| \\ &= x \prod_{s=0}^{n} (1 - xq^{s}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{n+k}{k} \right] x^{k} \\ &\times \left\{ q^{n+1} \frac{[n+k+1]}{[n+1]} \right| \int_{[k+1]/[n+k+2]}^{[k]/[n+k+1]} \left( \frac{[k]}{[n+k+1]} - u \right) g''(u) du \right| \\ &+ \frac{[n+k+1]}{[k+1]} \left| \int_{[k+1]/[n+k+2]}^{[k+1]/[n+k+2]} \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+1]} - u \right) g''(u) du \right| \\ &\leq x \prod_{s=0}^{n} (1 - xq^{s}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{n+k}{k} \right] x^{k} \\ &\times \left\{ q^{n+1} \frac{[n+k+1]}{[n+1]} \left( \frac{[k]}{[n+k+1]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]} \right)^{2} + \frac{[n+k+1]}{[k+1]} \right. \\ &\times \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+1]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]} \right)^{2} \right\} \varphi^{-2} \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]} \right) \|\varphi^{2}g''| \\ &= x \prod_{s=0}^{n} (1 - xq^{s}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{n+k}{k} \right] x^{k} \\ &\times \left\{ q^{n+1} \frac{[n+k+1]}{[n+1]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]} \right)^{2} \right\} \varphi^{-2} \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]} \right) \|\varphi^{2}g''| \\ &= x \prod_{s=0}^{n} (1 - xq^{s}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{n+k}{k} \right] x^{k} \\ &\times \left\{ q^{n+1} \frac{[n+k+1]}{[n+1]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+k+2]} \right\}^{2} \right\}$$

$$\times \frac{[n+k+2]}{[n+k+2]-[k+1]} + \frac{[n+k+1]}{[k+1]} \frac{q^{2n+2k+2}[k+1]^2}{[n+k+1]^2[n+k+2]^2} \\ \times \frac{[n+k+2]}{[k+1]} \frac{[n+k+2]}{[n+k+2]-[k+1]} \Big\} \|\varphi^2 g''\| \\ = x \prod_{s=0}^n (1-xq^s) \sum_{k=0}^\infty \begin{bmatrix} n+k\\k \end{bmatrix} x^k \frac{q^n}{[n+1]} \frac{q^k}{[k+1]} \frac{[n+k+2]}{[n+k+1]} \|\varphi^2 g''\| \\ \le \frac{2q^n}{[n+1]} x \prod_{s=0}^n (1-xq^s) \sum_{k=0}^\infty \begin{bmatrix} n+k\\k \end{bmatrix} x^k \|\varphi^2 g''\| \\ \le \frac{2q^n}{[n+1]} M_{n,q}(e_0,x) \|\varphi^2 g''\| = \frac{2q^n}{[n+1]} \|\varphi^2 g''\|.$$

Hence

$$\|M_{n,q}g - M_{n+1,q}g\| \le \frac{2q^n}{[n+1]} \|\varphi^2 g''\|$$
(20)

for all  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  and  $g \in W^2(\varphi)$ .

In this case we consider  $\beta_n = q^n/[n+1]$ , n = 1, 2, ... and 0 < q < 1. Then

$$\beta_n + \beta_{n+1} + \dots + \beta_{n+p-1} \le \frac{q^n}{[n+1]} (1 + q + \dots + q^{p-1}) \le \frac{q^n}{1 - q^{n+1}}$$

for all n, p = 1, 2, ... We set  $\alpha_n = q^n/(1 - q^{n+1}), n = 1, 2, ...$  Then  $\alpha_n \to 0^+$  as  $n \to \infty$ . In conclusion, in view of (20), we can apply Theorem 2.1.

Let  $q \in (0,1)$  be given. Then there exists a positive linear operator  $L_{\infty,q}$  on C[0,1] such that

$$||M_{n,q}f - L_{\infty,q}f|| \le C\omega_{\varphi}^2(f, \sqrt{q^n/(1-q^{n+1})})$$

for all  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and n = 4, 5, ...

In this case  $L_{\infty,q}$  is identical with  $B_{\infty,q}$ , because in [19] it is proved that  $\{M_{n,q}f\}$  converges to  $B_{\infty,q}f$  as  $n \to \infty$ , uniformly on [0, 1].

**3**° Let  $0 < q \leq 1$ . Following [10], the positive linear operators  $R_{n,q} : C[0,1] \to C[0,1]$ , defined by

$$(R_{n,q}f)(x) \equiv R_{n,q}(f,x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} f\left(\frac{[k]}{[n]}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n\\ k \end{bmatrix} \frac{q^{k(k-1)/2} x^k (1-x)^{n-k}}{(1-x+xq)\dots(1-x+xq^{n-1})}$$

are called the q-analogue of the Bernstein operators. For q = 1, we recover the well-known Bernstein operators. Due to [14, Lemma 1], we have

$$R_{n,q}(e_0, x) = 1 \tag{21}$$

and

$$|R_{n,q}(e_2, x) - x^2| = \frac{1}{[n]}x(1-x) \cdot \frac{1-x+xq^n}{1-x+xq} \le \frac{1}{[n]}x(1-x).$$
(22)

Thus we set  $\varphi(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}$ ,  $x \in [0,1]$ . Taking into account [10, (2)], we have for  $g \in W^2(\varphi)$ ,

$$R_{n+1,q}(g,x) - R_{n,q}(g,x) = \frac{x(1-x)}{(1-x+xq)\dots(1-x+xq^n)} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} n-1\\k \end{bmatrix} q^{k(k-1)/2} x^k \\ \times (1-x)^{n-1-k} \left\{ \frac{q^k[n]}{[k+1]} g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n]}\right) - \frac{q^k[n][n+1]}{[k+1][n-k]} g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]}\right) \\ + \frac{q^n[n]}{[n-k]} g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n]}\right) \right\}.$$
(23)

By Taylor's formula, we find

$$g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n]}\right) = g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]}\right) + \left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]}\right)g'\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]}\right) + \int_{[k+1]/[n+1]}^{[k+1]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n]} - u\right)g''(u)\,du$$
(24)

and

$$g\left(\frac{[k]}{[n]}\right) = g\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]}\right) + \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]}\right)g'\left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]}\right) + \int_{[k+1]/[n+1]}^{[k]/[n]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - u\right)g''(u)\,du,$$
(25)

respectively. Because

$$\frac{q^k[n]}{[k+1]} + \frac{q^n[n]}{[n-k]} = \frac{q^k[n][n+1]}{[k+1][n-k]}$$

 $\quad \text{and} \quad$ 

$$\frac{q^k[n]}{[k+1]} \left(\frac{[k+1]}{[n]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]}\right) + \frac{q^n[n]}{[n-k]} \left(\frac{[k]}{[n]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]}\right) = 0,$$

by combining (23), (24), (25), (22), (13) and (21), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |R_{n+1,q}(g,x) - R_{n,q}(g,x)| &\leq \frac{x(1-x)}{(1-x+xq)\dots(1-x+xq^n)} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} n-1\\k \end{bmatrix} q^{k(k-1)/2} \\ &\times x^k (1-x)^{n-1-k} \left\{ \frac{q^k[n]}{[k+1]} \middle| \int_{[k+1]/[n+1]}^{[k+1]/[n]} \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n]} - u \right) g''(u) \, du \right| \\ &+ \frac{q^n[n]}{[n-k]} \left| \int_{[k+1]/[n+1]}^{[k]/[n]} \left( \frac{[k]}{[n]} - u \right) g''(u) \, du \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} &\leq \frac{x(1-x)}{(1-x+xq)\dots(1-x+xq^n)} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} {n-1 \brack k} q^{k(k-1)/2} x^k (1-x)^{n-1-k} \\ &\times \left\{ \frac{q^k[n]}{[k+1]} \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]} \right)^2 \varphi^{-2} \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]} \right) \|\varphi^2 g''\| \right\} \\ &+ \frac{q^n[n]}{[n-k]} \left( \frac{[k]}{[n]} - \frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]} \right)^2 \varphi^{-2} \left( \frac{[k+1]}{[n+1]} \right) \|\varphi^2 g''\| \right\} \\ &= \frac{x(1-x)}{(1-x+xq)\dots(1-x+xq^n)} \|\varphi^2 g''\| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} {n-1 \brack k} q^{k(k-1)/2} \\ &\times x^k (1-x)^{n-1-k} \left\{ \frac{q^k[n]}{[k+1]} \frac{[k+1]^2 q^{2n}}{[n+1]^2 [n+1]^2} \frac{[n+1]^2}{[k+1]([n+1] - [k+1])} \right\} \\ &+ \frac{q^n[n]}{[n-k]} \frac{q^{2k}[n-k]^2}{[n]^2 [n+1]^2} \frac{[n+1]^2}{[k+1]([n+1] - [k+1])} \right\} \\ &= \frac{x(1-x)}{(1-x+xq)\dots(1-x+xq^n)} \|\varphi^2 g''\| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} {n-1 \brack k} q^{k(k-1)/2} \\ &\times x^k (1-x)^{n-1-k} \frac{q^{n-1+k}[n+1]}{[n][n-k][k+1]} \\ &= \frac{\|\varphi^2 g''\|}{(1-x+xq)\dots(1-x+xq^n)} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} {n+1 \brack q^{(k+1)k/2} x^{k+1} (1-x)^{n-k}} \\ &= \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} \|\varphi^2 g''\| \sum_{k=1}^{n} {n+1 \brack k} \frac{q^{k(k-1)/2} x^k (1-x)^{n+1-k}}{(1-x+xq)\dots(1-x+xq^n)} \\ &\leq \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} \|\varphi^2 g''\| R_{n+1,q}(e_0,x) = \frac{q^{n-1}}{[n]^2} \|\varphi^2 g''\|. \end{split}$$

Similarly to the case  $\mathbf{1}^{\circ}$ , we can choose the sequences  $(\alpha_n)_{n\geq 1}$  and  $(\beta_n)_{n\geq 1}$  as  $\alpha_n = q^{n-1}/(1-q^n)^2$  and  $\beta_n = q^{n-1}/[n]^2$ , where  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$  and 0 < q < 1. By Theorem 2.1, we have the following statement.

Let  $q \in (0,1)$  be given. Then there exists a positive linear operator  $L_{\infty,q}$  on C[0,1] such that

$$||R_{n,q}f - L_{\infty,q}f|| \le C\omega_{\varphi}^2 \left(f, \sqrt{q^{n-1}}/(1-q^n)\right)$$

for all  $f \in C[0,1]$  and n = 1, 2, ...

The operator  $L_{\infty,q}$  is identical with the limit q-analogue of the Bernstein operator, denoted by  $\tilde{R}_{\infty,q}$ , because in [14] it is proved that  $\{R_{n,q}f\}$  converges to  $\tilde{R}_{\infty,q}f$  as  $n \to \infty$ , uniformly on [0, 1].

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