

# Chapter 4

## $q$ -Bernstein-Type Integral Operators

### 4.1 Introduction

In order to approximate integrable functions on the interval  $[0, 1]$ , Kantorovich gave modified Bernstein polynomials. Later in the year 1967 Durrmeyer [58] considered a more general integral modification of the classical Bernstein polynomials, which were studied first by Derriennic [47]. Also some other generalizations of the Bernstein polynomials are available in the literature. The other most popular generalization as considered by Goodman and Sharma [82], namely, genuine Bernstein–Durrmeyer operators. In this chapter we discuss the  $q$  analogues of various integral modifications of Bernstein polynomials. The results were discussed in recent papers [45, 62, 86, 89, 92, 94, 121], etc.

### 4.2 $q$ -Bernstein–Kantorovich Operators

Recently, Dalmanoglu [45] proposed the  $q$ -Kantorovich–Bernstein operators as

$$K_{n,q}(f, x) = [n + 1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n,k}(q; x) \int_{[k]_q/[n+1]_q}^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} f(t) d_q t, \quad x \in [0, 1] \quad (4.1)$$

where

$$p_{n,k}(q; x) := \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x).$$

In case  $q = 1$ , the operators (4.1) reduce to well-known Bernstein–Kantorovich operators

$$K_n(f, x) = (n + 1) \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n,k}(x) \int_{k/(n+1)}^{(k+1)/(n+1)} f(t) dt, \quad x \in [0, 1]$$

where  $p_{n,k}(x)$  is the Bernstein basis function given by

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

### 4.2.1 Direct Results

For the operators (4.1), Dalmanoglu [45] obtained the following theorems:

**Theorem 4.1.** *If the sequence  $(q_n)$  satisfies the conditions  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[n]_{q_n}} = 0$  and  $0 < q_n < 1$ , then*

$$\|K_{n,q}(f, x) - f\| \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow \infty,$$

for every  $f \in C[0, a]$ ,  $0 < a < 1$ .

*Proof.* First, we have

$$K_{n,q}(1, x) = [n+1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x) \int_{[k]_q/[n+1]_q}^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} d_q t.$$

Also by definition of  $q$ -integral

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{[k]_q/[n+1]_q}^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} d_q t &= \int_0^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} d_q t - \int_0^{[k]_q/[n+1]_q} d_q t \\ &= (1-q) \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n+1]_q} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^j - (1-q) \frac{[k]_q}{[n+1]_q} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^j \\ &= \frac{1-q}{[n+1]_q} ([k+1]_q - [k]_q) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^j = \frac{q^k}{[n+1]_q}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $K_{n,q}(1, x) = 1$ . Next

$$K_{n,q}(t, x) = [n+1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x) \int_{[k]_q/[n+1]_q}^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} t d_q t.$$

Again by definition of  $q$ -integral

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{[k]_q/[n+1]_q}^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} t d_q t &= \int_0^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} t d_q t - \int_0^{[k]_q/[n+1]_q} t d_q t \\ &= (1-q) \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n+1]_q} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^{2j} \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n+1]_q} - (1-q) \frac{[k]_q}{[n+1]_q} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^{2j} \frac{[k]_q}{[n+1]_q} \\ &= \frac{1-q}{[n+1]_q^2} ([k+1]_q^2 - [k]_q^2) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^{2j} = \frac{q^k}{[n+1]_q^2} \frac{1}{1+q} ([k]_q(1+q) + 1). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} K_{n,q}(t, x) &= [n+1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}_q x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1-q^s x) \frac{1}{[n+1]_q^2} \frac{1}{1+q} ([k]_q(1+q) + 1) \\ &\quad \frac{[n]_q}{[n+1]_q} x + \frac{1}{1+q} \frac{1}{[n+1]_q}. \end{aligned}$$

To estimate  $K_{n,q}(t^2, x)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{[k]_q/[n+1]_q}^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} t^2 d_q t &= \int_0^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} t^2 d_q t - \int_0^{[k]_q/[n+1]_q} t^2 d_q t \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+1]_q^3} \frac{1}{1+q+q^2} (q^k [k+1]_q^2 + [k]_q [k+1]_q + [k]_q^2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore using  $[k+1]_q = q[k]_q + 1$  and using the similar methods as above, we have

$$K_{n,q}(t^2, x) = \frac{[n]_q [n-1]_q}{[n+1]_q^2} \frac{q^3 + q^2 + q}{1+q+q^2} x^2 + \frac{[n]_q}{[n+1]_q^2} \frac{q^2 + 3q + 2}{1+q+q^2} x + \frac{1}{[n+1]_q^2} \frac{1}{1+q+q^2}.$$

Replacing  $q$  by a sequence  $\{q_n\}$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1$ , it is easily seen that  $K_{n,q}(t^i, x)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2$  converges uniformly to  $t^i$ . Thus the result follows by Korovkin's theorem.  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 4.2.** *If the sequence  $(q_n)$  satisfies the conditions  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[n]_{q_n}} = 0$  and  $0 < q_n < 1$ , then*

$$|K_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x)| \leq 2\omega(f, \sqrt{\delta_n}),$$

for all  $f \in C[0, a]$  and  $\delta_n = K_{n,q}((t-x)^2, x)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f \in C[0, a]$ . From the linearity and monotonicity of  $K_{n,q}(f, x)$ , we can write

$$\begin{aligned} & |K_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x)| \leq K_{n,q}(|f(t) - f(x)|, x) \\ &= [n + 1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x) \int_{[k]_q/[n+1]_q}^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} |f(t) - f(x)| d_q t. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand

$$|f(t) - f(x)| \leq \omega(f, |t - x|).$$

If  $|t - x| < \delta$ , it is obvious that

$$|f(t) - f(x)| \leq \left(1 + \frac{(t-x)^2}{\delta^2}\right) \omega(f, \delta) \tag{4.2}$$

If  $|t - x| > \delta$ , we use the property of modulus of continuity

$$\omega(f, \lambda \delta) \leq (1 + \lambda) \omega(f, \delta) \leq (1 + \lambda^2) \omega(f, \delta), \lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

as  $\lambda = \frac{|t-x|}{\delta}$ . Therefore, we have

$$|f(t) - f(x)| \leq \left(1 + \frac{(t-x)^2}{\delta^2}\right) \omega(f, \delta) \tag{4.3}$$

for  $|t - x| > \delta$ . Consequently by (4.2) and (4.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} |K_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x)| &\leq [n + 1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k \\ &\quad \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x) \int_{[k]_q/[n+1]_q}^{[k+1]_q/[n+1]_q} \left(1 + \frac{(t-x)^2}{\delta^2}\right) \omega(f, \delta) d_q t \\ &= \left(K_{n,q}(1, x) + \frac{1}{\delta^2} K_{n,q}((t-x)^2, x)\right) \omega(f, \delta). \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $q = (q_n)$  satisfies the conditions  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[n]_{q_n}} = 0$ , and  $0 < q_n < 1$ , using the methods of Theorem 4.1, that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_{n,q_n}((t-x)^2, x) = 0,$$

letting  $\delta_n = K_{n,q_n}((t-x)^2, x)$  and taking  $\delta = \sqrt{\delta_n}$ , we finally get the desired result. This completes the proof of theorem. ■

### 4.3 $q$ -Bernstein–Durrmeyer Operators

For  $f \in C[0, 1], x \in [0, 1], n = 1, 2, \dots; 0 < q < 1$ , very recently Gupta [86] defined the  $q$ -Durrmeyer-type operators as

$$D_{n,q}(f, x) \equiv (D_{n,q}f)(x) = [n+1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} p_{n,k}(q; x) \int_0^1 f(t) p_{n,k}(q; qt) d_{qt} \quad (4.4)$$

where

$$p_{n,k}(q; x) := \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x).$$

It can be easily verified that in the case  $q = 1$ , the operators defined by (4.4) reduce to the well-known Bernstein–Durrmeyer operators

$$D_n(f, x) = (n+1) \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n,k}(x) \int_0^1 f(t) p_{n,k}(t) dt,$$

where

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

#### 4.3.1 Auxiliary Results

In the sequel, we shall need the following auxiliary results:

**Lemma 4.1.** For  $n, k \geq 0$ , we have

$$D_q(1-x)_q^{n-k} = -[n-k]_q (1-qx)_q^{n+k-1}, \quad (4.5)$$

*Proof.* Using the  $q$ -derivative operator, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} D_q(1-x)_q^{n-k} &= \frac{1}{(q-1)x} \left( \prod_{j=0}^{n-k-1} (1-q^{j+1}x) - \prod_{j=0}^{n-k-1} (1-q^jx) \right) \\ &= -\frac{(q^{n-k}-1)}{(q-1)} \prod_{j=0}^{n-k-2} (1+q^{j+1}x) \\ &= -[n-k]_q (1-qx)_q^{n-k-1}. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 4.1.* By using (4.5) and  $D_q x^k = [k]_q x^{k-1}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} D_q(x^k(1-x)_q^{n-k}) &= [k]_q x^{k-1}(1-x)_q^{n-k} - q^k x^k [n-k]_q (1-qx)_q^{n-k-1} \\ &= x^{k-1}(1-qx)_q^{n-k-1}((1-x)[k]_q - q^k x[n-k]_q) \\ &= x^{k-1}(1-qx)_q^{n-k-1}([k]_q - [n]_q x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we obtain

$$x(1-x)D_q(x^k(1-x)_q^{n-k}) = x^k(1-x)_q^{n-k} [n]_q \left( \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - x \right). \tag{4.6}$$

**Lemma 4.2.** *We have the following equalities:*

$$x(1-x)D_q(p_{n,k}(q;x)) = [n]_q p_{n,k}(q;x) \left( \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - x \right), \tag{4.7}$$

$$t(1-qt)D_q(p_{n,k}(q;qt)) = [n]_q p_{n,k}(q;qt) \left( \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - qt \right). \tag{4.8}$$

*Proof.* Above equalities can be obtained by direct computations using definition of operator and (4.6). ■

**Theorem 4.3 ([92]).** *If  $m$ -th ( $m > 0, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ) order moments of operator (4.4) is defined as*

$$D_{n,m}^q(x) := D_{n,q}(t^m, x) = [n+1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} p_{n,k}(q;x) \int_0^1 p_{n,k}(q;qt) t^m d_q t, x \in [0, 1],$$

then  $D_{n,0}^q(x) = 1$  and for  $n > m + 2$ , we have the following recurrence relation:

$$[n+m+2]_q D_{n,m+1}^q(x) = ([m+1]_q + q^{m+1} x [n]_q) D_{n,m}^q(x) + x(1-x) q^{m+1} D_q(D_{n,m}^q(x)). \tag{4.9}$$

*Proof.* By (4.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &x(1-x)D_q(D_{n,m}^q(x)) \\ &= [n+1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} x(1-x)D_q(p_{n,k}(q;x)) \int_0^1 p_{n,k}(q;qt) t^m d_q t \\ &= [n+1]_q [n]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} p_{n,k}(q;x) \int_0^1 \left( \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - qt \right) p_{n,k}(q;qt) t^m d_q t \\ &+ q[n+1]_q [n]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} x(1-x)D_q(p_{n,k}(q;x)) \int_0^1 p_{n,k}(q;qt) t^{m+1} d_q t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -x[n+1]_q[n]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} x(1-x) D_q(p_{n,k}(q;x)) \int_0^1 p_{n,k}(q;qt) t^m d_q t \\
& = I + [n]_q D_{n,m+1}^q(x) - x[n]_q D_{n,m}^q(x),
\end{aligned}$$

Set

$$u(t) = \frac{t^{m+1}}{q^{m+1}} - \frac{t^{m+2}}{q^{m+1}},$$

by  $q$ -integral by parts, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_0^1 u(qt) D_q(p_{n,k}(q;qt)) d_q t \\
& = [u(t)p_{n,k}(q;qt)]_0^1 - \frac{1}{q^{m+1}} \int_0^1 p_{n,k}(q;qt) ([m+1]_q t^m - [m+2]_q t^{m+1}) d_q t \\
& = -\frac{1}{q^{m+1}} \int_0^1 p_{n,k}(q;qt) ([m+1]_q t^m - [m+2]_q t^{m+1}) d_q t,
\end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$I = -\frac{1}{q^{m+1}} \left( [m+1]_q D_{n,m}^q(x) - [m+2]_q D_{n,m+1}^q(x) \right)$$

by combining the above two equations, we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
q^{m+1} x(1-x) D_q(D_{n,m}^q(x)) & = - \left( [m+1]_q D_{n,m}^q(x) - [m+2]_q D_{n,m+1}^q(x) \right) \\
& \quad + q^{m+1} \left( [n]_q D_{n,m+1}^q(x) - x[n]_q D_{n,m}^q(x) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we get the result. ■

**Corollary 4.1.** *We have*

$$D_{n,1}^q(x) = \frac{(1+qx[n]_q)}{[n+2]_q}, \quad (4.10)$$

$$D_{n,2}^q(x) = \frac{q^3 x^2 [n]_q ([n]_q - 1) + (1+q)^2 qx[n]_q + 1+q}{[n+2]_q [n+3]_q}. \quad (4.11)$$

The corollary follows from (4.9).

**Lemma 4.3.** *For  $f \in C[0,1]$ , we have  $\|D_{n,q}f\| \leq \|f\|$ .*

*Proof.* By definition (4.4) and using Theorem 4.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|D_{n,q}(f;x)| & \leq [n+1]_q \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} p_{n,k}(q;x) \int_0^1 |f(t)| p_{n,k}(q;qt) d_q t \\
& \leq \|f\| D_{n,q}(1;x) = \|f\|.
\end{aligned}$$
■

**Lemma 4.4.** *Let  $n > 3$  be a given natural number and let  $q_0 = q_0(n) \in (0, 1)$  be the least number such that  $q^{n+2} - q^{n+1} - 2q^n - 2q^{n-1} - \dots - 2q^3 - q^2 + q + 2 < 0$  for every  $q \in (q_0, 1)$ . Then*

$$D_{n,q}((t-x)^2, x) \leq \frac{2}{[n+2]_q} \left( \varphi^2(x) + \frac{1}{[n+3]_q} \right),$$

where  $\varphi^2(x) = x(1-x)$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

*Proof.* In view of Theorem 4.3, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} D_{n,q}((t-x)^2, x) &= x^2 \cdot \frac{q^3[n]_q([n]_q - 1) - 2q[n]_q[n+3]_q + [n+2]_q[n+3]_q}{[n+2]_q[n+3]_q} \\ &\quad + x \cdot \frac{q(1+q)^2[n]_q - 2[n+3]_q}{[n+2]_q[n+3]_q} + \frac{1+q}{[n+2]_q[n+3]_q} \end{aligned}$$

By direct computations, using the definition of the  $q$ -integers, we get

$$\begin{aligned} q(1+q)^2[n]_q - 2[n+3]_q &= q(1+q)^2(1+q+\dots+q^{n-1}) - 2(1+q+\dots+q^{n+2}) \\ &= -q^{n+2} + q^{n+1} + 2q^n + 2q^{n-1} + \dots + 2q^3 + q^2 - q - 2 > 0, \end{aligned}$$

for every  $q \in (q_0, 1)$ . Furthermore

$$\begin{aligned} q(1+q)^2[n]_q - 2[n+3]_q &\leq 4[n]_q - q - 2[n+3]_q \\ &= 4([n+3]_q - q^n - q^{n+1} - q^{n+2}) - 2[n+3]_q \\ &\leq 4[n+3]_q - 2[n+3]_q = 2[n+3]_q \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} q(1+q)^2[n]_q - 2[n+3]_q + q^3[n]_q([n]_q - 1) - 2q[n]_q[n+3]_q + [n+2]_q[n+3]_q &= q(1+q)^2[n]_q - 2(1+q+q^2+q^3[n]_q) + q^3[n]_q^2 - q^3[n]_q \\ &\quad - 2q[n]_q(1+q+q^2+q^3[n]_q) + (1+q+q^2[n]_q)(1+q+q^2+q^3[n]_q) \\ &= q^3(1-q)^2[n]_q^2 - (q-q^2+2q^3-2q^4)[n]_q - (1-q^3) \\ &= q^3(1-q)^2 \cdot \left( \frac{1-q^n}{1-q} \right)^2 - q(1-q)(1+2q^2) \cdot \frac{1-q^n}{1-q} - (1-q^3) \\ &= q^{2n+3} + q^{n+1} - q - 1 \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$



In conclusion, for  $x \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_{n,q}((t-x)^2, x) &= \frac{q(1+q)^2[n]_q - 2[n+3]_q}{[n+2]_q[n+3]_q} \cdot x(1-x) + \left( \frac{q(1+q)^2[n]_q - 2[n+3]_q}{[n+2]_q[n+3]_q} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{q^3[n]_q([n]_q - 1) - 2q[n]_q[n+3]_q + [n+2]_q[n+3]_q}{[n+2]_q[n+3]_q} \right) \cdot x^2 + \frac{1+q}{[n+2]_q[n+3]_q} \\ &\leq \frac{2[n+3]_q}{[n+2]_q[n+3]_q} \cdot \varphi^2(x) + \frac{2}{[n+2]_q[n+3]_q} \leq \frac{2}{[n+2]_q} \cdot \left( \varphi^2(x) + \frac{1}{[n+3]_q} \right), \end{aligned}$$

which was to be proved. ■

For  $\delta > 0$  and  $W^2 = \{g \in C[0, 1] : g', g'' \in C[0, 1]\}$ , the  $K$ -functional are defined as

$$K_2(f, \delta) = \inf\{\|f - g\| + \eta \|g''\| : g \in W^2\},$$

where norm- $\|\cdot\|$  is the uniform norm on  $C[0, 1]$ . Following [50], there exists a positive constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$K_2(f, \delta) \leq C\omega_2(f, \sqrt{\delta}), \quad (4.12)$$

where the second-order modulus of smoothness for  $f \in C[0, 1]$  is defined as

$$\omega_2(f, \sqrt{\delta}) = \sup_{0 < h \leq \sqrt{\delta}} \sup_{x, x+h \in [0, 1]} |f(x+h) - f(x)|.$$

We define the usual modulus of continuity for  $f \in C[0, 1]$  as

$$\omega(f, \delta) = \sup_{0 < h \leq \delta} \sup_{x, x+h \in [0, 1]} |f(x+h) - f(x)|.$$

### 4.3.2 Direct Results

Our first main result is the following local theorem:

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $n > 3$  be a natural number and let  $q_0 = q_0(n) \in (0, 1)$  be defined as in Lemma 4.4. Then there exists an absolute constant  $C > 0$  such that*

$$|D_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x)| \leq C \omega_2\left(f, [n+2]_q^{-1/2} \delta_n(x)\right) + \omega\left(f, \frac{1-x}{[n+2]_q}\right),$$

where  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $\delta_n^2(x) = \varphi^2(x) + \frac{1}{[n+3]_q}$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ , and  $q \in (q_0, 1)$ .

*Proof.* For  $f \in C[0, 1]$  we define

$$\tilde{D}_{n,q}(f, x) = D_{n,q}(f, x) + f(x) - f\left(\frac{1 + q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}\right).$$

Then, by Corollary 4.1, we find

$$\tilde{D}_{n,q}(1, x) = D_{n,q}(1, x) = 1 \quad (4.13)$$

and

$$\tilde{D}_{n,q}(t, x) = D_{n,q}(t, x) + x - \frac{1 + q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} = x. \quad (4.14)$$

Using Taylor's formula

$$g(t) = g(x) + (t-x) g'(x) + \int_x^t (t-u) g''(u) du,$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{D}_{n,q}(g, x) &= g(x) + \tilde{D}_{n,q}\left(\int_x^t (t-u) g''(u) du, x\right) \\ &= g(x) + D_{n,q}\left(\int_x^t (t-u) g''(u) du, x\right) \\ &\quad - \int_x^{\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}} \left(\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} - u\right) g''(u) du \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $|\tilde{D}_{n,q}(g, x) - g(x)| \leq$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq D_{n,q}\left(\left|\int_x^t |t-u| \cdot |g''(u)| du\right|, x\right) + \left|\int_x^{\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}} \left|\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} - u\right| \cdot |g''(u)| du\right| \\ &\leq D_{n,q}((t-x)^2, x) \cdot \|g''\| + \left(\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} - x\right)^2 \cdot \|g''\| \end{aligned} \quad (4.15)$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} D_{n,q}((t-x)^2, x) + \left(\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} - x\right)^2 &\leq \\ &\leq \frac{2}{[n+2]_q} \left(\varphi^2(x) + \frac{1}{[n+3]_q}\right) + \left(\frac{1 - ([n+2]_q - q[n]_q)x}{[n+2]_q}\right)^2, \end{aligned} \quad (4.16)$$

by Lemma 4.4. Because  $[n+2]_q - q[n]_q = (1+q+\dots+q^{n+1}) - q(1+q+\dots+q^{n-1}) = 1+q^{n+1}$ , we have

$$1 \leq [n+2]_q - q[n]_q \leq 2 \quad (4.17)$$

Then using (4.17), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{1 - ([n+2]_q - q[n]_q)x}{[n+2]_q} \right)^2 \cdot \delta_n^{-2}(x) \leq \\ &= \frac{1 - 2([n+2]_q - q[n]_q)x + ([n+2]_q - q[n]_q)^2 x^2}{[n+2]_q^2} \cdot \frac{[n]_q}{[n]_q x(1-x) + 1} \\ &\leq \frac{1 - 2x + 4x^2}{[n+2]_q} \cdot \frac{[n]_q}{[n+2]_q} \cdot \frac{1}{[n]_q x(1-x) + 1} \leq \frac{3}{[n+2]_q}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.18)$$

for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $0 < q < 1$ . In conclusion, by (4.16) and (4.18), we get

$$D_{n,q}((t-x)^2, x) + \left( \frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} - x \right)^2 \leq \frac{5}{[n+2]_q} \cdot \delta_n^2(x), \quad (4.19)$$

where  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Hence, by (4.15),

$$|\tilde{D}_{n,q}(g, x) - g(x)| \leq \frac{5}{[n+2]_q} \cdot \delta_n^2(x) \cdot \|g''\|, \quad (4.20)$$

where  $n > 3$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Furthermore, by Theorem 4.3, we have

$$|\tilde{D}_{n,q}(f, x)| \leq |D_{n,q}(f, x)| + |f(x)| + \left| f \left( \frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} \right) \right| \leq 3\|f\|.$$

Thus

$$\|\tilde{D}_{n,q}(f, x)\| \leq 3\|f\|, \quad (4.21)$$

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

Now, for  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and  $g \in W^2$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & |D_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x)| \leq \\ &= \left| \tilde{D}_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x) + f \left( \frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} \right) - f(x) \right| \\ &\leq |\tilde{D}_{n,q}(f - g, x)| + |\tilde{D}_{n,q}(g, x) - g(x)| + |g(x) - f(x)| + \left| f \left( \frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} \right) - f(x) \right| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq 4 \|f - g\| + \frac{5}{[n+2]} \cdot \delta_n^2(x) \cdot \|g''\| + \omega \left( f, \left| \frac{1 - ([n+2]_q - q[n]_q)x}{[n+2]_q} \right| \right) \\ &\leq 5 \left( \|f - g\| + \frac{1}{[n+2]_q} \cdot \delta_n^2(x) \cdot \|g''\| \right) + \omega \left( f, \frac{1-x}{[n+2]_q} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where we used (4.20) and (4.21). Taking the infimum on the right hand side over all  $g \in W^2$ , we obtain

$$|D_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x)| \leq 5 K_2 \left( f, \frac{1}{[n+2]_q} \delta_n^2(x) \right) + \omega \left( f, \frac{1-x}{[n+2]_q} \right).$$

In view of (4.12), we find

$$|D_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x)| \leq C \omega_2 \left( f, [n+2]_q^{-1/2} \delta_n(x) \right) + \omega \left( f, \frac{1-x}{[n+2]_q} \right),$$

this completes the proof of the theorem. ■

For the next theorem we shall use some notations: for  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and  $\varphi(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ , let

$$\omega_2^\varphi(f, \sqrt{\delta}) = \sup_{0 < h \leq \sqrt{\delta}} \sup_{x \pm h\varphi \in [0, 1]} |f(x + h\varphi(x)) - 2f(x) + f(x - h\varphi(x))|$$

be the second-order Ditzian–Totik modulus of smoothness, and let

$$\bar{K}_{2,\varphi}(f, \delta) = \inf \{ \|f - g\| + \delta \| \varphi^2 g'' \| \|g''(\varphi) \}$$

be the corresponding K-functional, 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 closed interval  $[a, b] \subset [0, 1]$ . It is well known (see [51, p. 24, Theorem 1.3.1]) that

$$\bar{K}_{2,\varphi}(f, \delta) \leq C \omega_2^\varphi(f, \sqrt{\delta}) \tag{4.22}$$

for some absolute constant  $C > 0$ . Moreover, the Ditzian–Totik moduli of first order is given by

$$\omega_\psi(f, \delta) = \sup_{0 < h \leq \delta} \sup_{x, x \pm h\psi(x) \in [0, 1]} |f(x + h\psi(x)) - f(x)|,$$

where  $\psi$  is an admissible step-weight function on  $[0, 1]$ .

Now we state our next main result.

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $n > 3$  be a natural number and let  $q_0 = q_0(n) \in (0, 1)$  be defined as in Lemma 4.3. Then there exists an absolute constant  $C > 0$  such that*

$$\|D_{n,q}f - f\| \leq C \omega_2^\varphi(f, [n+2]_q^{-1/2}) + \omega_\psi(f, [n+2]_q^{-1}),$$

where  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $q \in (q_0, 1)$ , and  $\psi(x) = 1 - x$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

*Proof.* Again, let

$$\tilde{D}_{n,q}(f, x) = D_{n,q}(f, x) + f(x) - f\left(\frac{1 + q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}\right),$$

where  $f \in C[0, 1]$ . Using Taylor's formula:

$$g(t) = g(x) + (t-x)g'(x) + \int_x^t (t-u)g''(u)du,$$

the formulas (4.13) and (4.14), we obtain

$$\tilde{D}_{n,q}(g, x) = g(x) + D_{n,q}\left(\int_x^t (t-u)g''(u)du, x\right) - \int_x^{\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}} \left(\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} - u\right)g''(u)du$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & |\tilde{D}_{n,q}(g, x) - g(x)| \\ & \leq D_{n,q}\left(\left|\int_x^t |t-u| \cdot |g''(u)| du\right|, x\right) + \left|\int_x^{\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}} \left|\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} - u\right| \cdot |g''(u)| du\right| \end{aligned} \quad (4.23)$$

Because the function  $\delta_n^2$  is concave on  $[0, 1]$ , we have for  $u = t + \tau(x-t)$ ,  $\tau \in [0, 1]$ , the estimate

$$\frac{|t-u|}{\delta_n^2(u)} = \frac{\tau|x-t|}{\delta_n^2(t + \tau(x-t))} \leq \frac{\tau|x-t|}{\delta_n^2(t) + \tau(\delta_n^2(x) - \delta_n^2(t))} \leq \frac{|t-x|}{\delta_n^2(x)}.$$

Hence, by (4.23), we find

$$\begin{aligned} & |\tilde{D}_{n,q}(g, x) - g(x)| \leq \\ & \leq D_{n,q}\left(\left|\int_x^t \frac{|t-u|}{\delta_n^2(u)} du\right|, x\right) \cdot \|\delta_n^2 g''\| + \left|\int_x^{\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}} \frac{\left|\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} - u\right|}{\delta_n^2(u)} du\right| \cdot \|\delta_n^2 g''\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\delta_n^2(x)} \cdot D_{n,q}((t-x)^2, x) \cdot \|\delta_n^2 g''\| + \frac{1}{\delta_n^2(x)} \cdot \left(\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q} - x\right)^2 \cdot \|\delta_n^2 g''\| \end{aligned}$$

In view of (4.19) and

$$\delta_n^2(x) \cdot |g''^2(x)g''(x)| + \frac{1}{[n+3]_q} \cdot |g''^2g''| + \frac{1}{[n+3]_q} \cdot \|g''\|,$$

where  $x \in [0, 1]$ , we get

$$|\tilde{D}_{n,q}(g, x) - g(x)| \leq \frac{5}{[n+2]_q} \cdot \left( \|\varphi^2 g''\| + \frac{1}{[n+3]_q} \cdot \|g''\| \right) \quad (4.24)$$

Using  $[n]_q \leq [n+2]_q$ , (4.21), and (4.24), we find for  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |D_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x)| &\leq \\ &\leq |\tilde{D}_{n,q}(f - g, x)| + |\tilde{D}_{n,q}(g, x) - g(x)| + |g(x) - f(x)| + \left| f\left(\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}\right) - f(x) \right| \\ &\leq 4 \|f - g\| + \frac{5}{[n+2]_q} \cdot \|\varphi^2 g''\| + \frac{5}{[n+2]_q} \cdot \|g''\| + \left| f\left(\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}\right) - f(x) \right| \end{aligned}$$

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

$$|D_{n,q}(f, x) - f(x)| \leq 5\bar{K}_{2,\varphi}\left(f, \frac{1}{[n+2]_q}\right) + \left| f\left(\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}\right) - f(x) \right| \quad (4.25)$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f\left(\frac{1+q[n]_q x}{[n+2]_q}\right) - f(x) \right| &= \\ &= \left| f\left(x + \psi(x) \cdot \frac{1 - ([n+2]_q - q[n]_q)x}{[n+2]_q \psi(x)}\right) - f(x) \right| \\ &\leq \sup_{t, t+\psi(t) \cdot (1 - ([n+2]_q - q[n]_q)x) / [n+2]_q \psi(x) \in [0,1]} \left| f\left(t + \psi(t) \cdot \frac{1 - ([n+2]_q - q[n]_q)x}{[n+2]_q \psi(x)}\right) - f(t) \right| \\ &\leq \omega_\psi\left(f, \frac{|1 - ([n+2]_q - q[n]_q)x|}{[n+2]_q \psi(x)}\right) \leq \omega_\psi\left(f, \frac{1-x}{[n+2]_q \psi(x)}\right) = \omega_\psi\left(f, \frac{1}{[n+2]_q}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by (4.25) and (4.22), we get

$$\|D_{n,q}f - f\| \leq C \omega_2^\varphi(f, [n+2]_q^{-1/2}) + \omega_\psi(f, [n+2]_q^{-1}),$$

$x \in [0, 1]$ , which completes the proof of the theorem. ■

*Remark 4.2.* In [86] it is proved for  $q = q(n) \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  that the sequence  $\{D_{n,q}f\}$  converges to  $f$  uniformly on  $[0, 1]$  for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$ . The same result follows from Theorem 4.5, because

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n + 2]_{q_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - (q(n))^{n+2}}{1 - q(n)} = \infty,$$

if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(n) = 1$ .

### 4.3.3 Applications to Random and Fuzzy Approximation

Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed space over  $K$ , where  $K = R$  or  $K = C$ . Similar to the case of real-valued functions can be introduced the following concepts.

**Definition 4.1** (Gal [74]).

- (i) For  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ , the first-order Ditzian–Totik modulus of continuity  $\omega_\psi(f, \delta)$  and the second-order Ditzian–Totik modulus of smoothness  $\omega_2^\varphi(f, \delta)$  are respectively defined as

$$\omega_\psi(f, \delta) = \sup_{0 < h \leq \delta} \sup_{x, x \pm h\psi(x) \in [0, 1]} \|f(x + h\psi(x)) - f(x)\|,$$

and

$$\omega_2^\varphi(f, \delta) = \sup\{\sup\{\|f(x + h\varphi(x)) - 2f(x) + f(x - h\varphi(x))\|, x \in I_{2,h}, h \in [0, \delta]\}\}$$

where  $I_{2,h} = \left[-\frac{1-h^2}{1+h^2}, \frac{1-h^2}{1+h^2}\right]$ ,  $\varphi(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}$ ,  $\psi(x) = 1-x$ ,  $0 < \delta \leq 1$ .

- (ii)  $f : [0, a] \rightarrow X$  is called  $q$ -integrable ( $0 < q < 1$ ) on  $[0, a]$  if there exists  $I \in X$  denoted by  $I := \int_0^a f(u) d_q u$  with the property

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|I - (1 - q) \sum_{k=1}^n q^k f(aq^k)\| = 0.$$

*Remark 4.3.* Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space. If  $f : [0, a] \rightarrow X$  is continuous on  $[0, a]$ , then it is  $q$ -integrable. Indeed, denoting  $S_n(f) = (1 - q) \sum_{k=1}^n q^k f(aq^k)$ , we get  $S_{n+p}(f) - S_n(f) = (1 - q) \sum_{k=n}^{n+p} q^k f(aq^k)$  and since  $\|f(x)\|$  is bounded (by continuity) by a positive constant denoted by  $M$ , for all  $n, p \in \mathbb{N}$  it follows

$$\|S_{n+p}(f) - S_n(f)\| \leq M(1 - q) \sum_{k=n}^{n+p} q^k \leq M(1 - q)q^n \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^j = Mq^n,$$

which shows that  $(S_n(f))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Since  $X$  is a Banach space, it follows that this sequence is convergent and therefore  $f$  is  $q$ -integrable.

**Definition 4.2 (see Gupta [86] for real-valued functions).** For  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X, 0 < q < 1$ ,  $q$ -integrable on  $[0, 1]$ , the  $q$ -Durrmeyer operators attached to  $f$  can be defined as

$$D_{n,q}(f, x) \equiv (D_{n,q}f)(x) = [n+1] \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} p_{n,k}(q; x) \int_0^1 f(u) p_{n,k}(q; qu) d_q u \quad (4.26)$$

where

$$p_{n,k}(q; x) := \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} x^k (x; q)_{n-k}.$$

**Theorem 4.6 (see, e.g., [124], p. 183).** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a normed space over  $K$ , where  $K = \mathbb{R}$  or  $K = \mathbb{C}$  and denote by  $X^* = \{x^* : X \rightarrow K, x^* \text{ is linear and continuous}\}$ . Then

$$\|x\| = \sup\{|x^*(x)| : x^* \in X^*, \|x^*\| < 1\}.$$

Gal and Gupta [77] established the following theorem:

**Theorem 4.7.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space and suppose that  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$  is continuous on  $[0, 1]$ . Then under the conditions on  $q$  as given in Lemma 4.4, we have

$$\|D_{n,q}f - f\|_u \leq C \omega_2^{\varphi}(f, [n+2]^{-1/2}) + \omega_{\psi}(f, [n+2]^{-1}),$$

where  $\|f\|_u = \sup\{\|f(x)\| : x \in [0, 1]\}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x^* \in X^*, 0 < \|x^*\| \leq 1$  and define  $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = x^*(f(x))$ . Obviously  $g$  is continuous on  $[0, 1]$ . First, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{\psi}(g, \frac{1}{[n+2]}) &= \sup_{0 < h \leq 1/[n+2]} \sup_{x, x \pm h\psi(x) \in [0, 1]} |x^*[f(x+h\psi(x)) - f(x)]| \\ &\leq \sup_{0 < h \leq 1/[n+2]} \sup_{x, x \pm h\psi(x) \in [0, 1]} \|x^*\| \cdot \| [f(x+h\psi(x)) - f(x)] \| \\ &\leq \sup_{0 < h \leq 1/[n+2]} \sup_{x, x \pm h\psi(x) \in [0, 1]} \| [f(x+h\psi(x)) - f(x)] \| \\ &= \omega_{\psi}(f, \frac{1}{[n+2]}), \end{aligned}$$



and

$$\begin{aligned} & \omega_2^\varphi(g, [n+2]^{-1/2}) \\ &= \sup\{\sup\{|x^*[f(x+h\varphi(x)) - 2f(x) + f(x-h\varphi(x))]|, x \in I_{2,h}\}, h \in [0, [n+2]^{-1/2}]\} \\ &\leq \sup\{\sup\{\|x^*\| \cdot \|f(x+h\varphi(x)) - 2f(x) + f(x-h\varphi(x))\|, x \in I_{2,h}\}, h \in [0, [n+2]^{-1/2}]\} \\ &\leq \omega_2^\varphi(f, [n+2]^{-1/2}). \end{aligned}$$

Now, by Theorem 4.5, for all  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$|D_{n,q}g(x) - g(x)| \leq C[\omega_2^\varphi(g, [n+2]^{-1/2}) + \omega_\psi(g, [n+2]^{-1})].$$

But by the linearity and the continuity of  $x^*$  (the continuity allows to  $x^*$  to commutes with the integral), we easily get  $D_{n,q}g(x) - g(x) = x^*[D_{n,q}f(x) - f(x)]$ , which combined with the above inequalities lead to

$$|x^*[D_{n,q}f(x) - f(x)]| \leq C[\omega_2^\varphi(f, [n+2]^{-1/2}) + \omega_\psi(f, [n+2]^{-1})],$$

for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Passing to supremum with  $\|x^*\| \leq 1$  and taking into account Theorem 4.6, it follows

$$\|D_{n,q}f(x) - f(x)\| \leq C[\omega_2^\varphi(f, [n+2]^{-1/2}) + \omega_\psi(f, [n+2]^{-1})],$$

for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ , which proves the theorem.  $\blacksquare$

Some applications to the approximation of random functions by  $q$ -Durrmeyer random polynomials and of fuzzy-number-valued functions by  $q$ -Durrmeyer fuzzy polynomials were discussed in [77] as

If  $(S, B, P)$  is a probability space ( $P$  is the probability), then the set of almost sure (a.s.) finite real random variables is denoted by  $L(S, B, P)$  and it is a Banach space with respect to the norm  $\|g\| = \int_S |g(t)| dP(t)$ . Here, for  $g_1, g_2 \in L(S, B, P)$ , we consider  $g_1 = g_2$  if  $g_1(t) = g_2(t)$ , a.s.  $t \in S$ .

A random function defined on  $[0, 1]$  is a mapping  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow L(S, B, P)$  and we denote  $f(x)(t) \in \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x, t)$ . For this kind of  $f$ , the  $q$ -Durrmeyer random polynomials are defined by

$$(D_{n,q}f)(x, t) = [n+1] \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} p_{n,k}(q; x) \int_0^1 f(u, t) p_{n,k}(q; qu) dqu.$$

**Corollary 4.2.** *If  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow L(S, B, P)$  is continuous on  $[0, 1]$ , then*

$$\|D_{n,q}f - f\|_u \leq C[\omega_2^\varphi(f, [n+2]^{-1/2}) + \omega_\psi(f, [n+2]^{-1})],$$

where  $\|f\|_u = \sup\{\|f(x)\|; x \in [0, 1]\} = \sup\{\int_S |f(x, t)| dP(t); x \in [0, 1]\}$ .

Given a set  $X \neq \emptyset$ , a fuzzy subset of  $X$  is a mapping  $u : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , and obviously any classical subset  $A$  of  $X$  can be considered as a fuzzy subset of  $X$  defined by  $\chi_A : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ,  $\chi_A(x) = 1$ , if  $x \in A$ ,  $\chi_A(x) = 0$  if  $x \in X \setminus A$ . (see, e.g., Zadeh [154]).

Let us denote by  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  the class of fuzzy subsets of real axis  $\mathbb{R}$  (i.e.,  $u : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ), satisfying the following properties:

- (i)  $\forall u \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$ ,  $u$  is normal, i.e.,  $\exists x_u \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $u(x_u) = 1$ .
- (ii)  $\forall u \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$ ,  $u$  is convex fuzzy set (i.e.,  $u(tx + (1-t)y) \geq \min\{u(x), u(y)\}$ ,  $\forall t \in [0, 1]$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ).
- (iii)  $\forall u \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$ ,  $u$  is upper semicontinuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- (iv)  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : u(x) > 0\}$  is compact, where  $\bar{A}$  denotes the closure of  $A$ .

Then  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  is called the space of fuzzy real numbers (see, e.g., Dubois–Prade [56]).

*Remark 4.4.* Obviously  $\mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$ , because any real number  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  can be described as the fuzzy number whose value is 1 for  $x = x_0$  and 0 otherwise.

For  $0 < r \leq 1$  and  $u \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$ , define  $[u]^r = \{x \in \mathbb{R}; u(x) \geq r\}$  and  $[u]^0 = \overline{\{x \in \mathbb{R}; u(x) > 0\}}$ . Then it is well known that for each  $r \in [0, 1]$ ,  $[u]^r$  is a bounded closed interval. For  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have the sum  $u \oplus v$  and the product  $\lambda \odot u$  defined by  $[u \oplus v]^r = [u]^r + [v]^r$ ,  $[\lambda \odot u]^r = \lambda [u]^r$ ,  $\forall r \in [0, 1]$ , where  $[u]^r + [v]^r$  means the usual addition of two intervals (as subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ ) and  $\lambda [u]^r$  means the usual product between a scalar and a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  (see, e.g., Dubois–Prade [56], Congxin–Zengtai [44]).

Let  $D : \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}} \times \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{0\}$  by

$$D(u, v) = \sup_{r \in [0, 1]} \max\{|u_-^r - v_-^r|, |u_+^r - v_+^r|\},$$

where  $[u]^r = [u_-^r, u_+^r]$ ,  $[v]^r = [v_-^r, v_+^r]$ . The following properties are known (Dubois–Prade [56]):

$$D(u \oplus w, v \oplus w) = D(u, v), \forall u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$$

$$D(k \odot u, k \odot v) = |k| D(u, v), \forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}, \forall k \in \mathbb{R};$$

$D(u \oplus v, w \oplus e) \leq D(u, w) + D(v, e)$ ,  $\forall u, v, w, e \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  and  $(\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}, D)$  is a complete metric space.

Also, we need the following concept of  $q$ -integral. A function  $f : [0, a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$ ,  $[0, a] \subset \mathbb{R}$  will be called  $q$ -integrable on  $[0, a]$ , if there exists  $I \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$ , denoted by  $I = \int_0^a f(u) d_q u$  with the property

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D[I, (1-q) \odot \Sigma_{k=1}^{*n} q^k \odot f(aq^k)] = 0.$$

Here the sum  $\Sigma^*$  is considered with respect to the operation  $\oplus$ .

*Remark 4.5.* If  $f : [0, a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  is continuous on  $[0, a]$ , then it is  $q$ -integrable. Indeed, denoting  $S_n(f) = (1-q) \odot \Sigma_{k=1}^{*n} q^k \odot f(aq^k)$ , from the above properties of the metric  $D$ , we can write

$$D[S_n(f), S_{n+p}(f)] = (1-q)D[0_{\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}}, \Sigma_{k=n}^{*n+p} q^k \odot f(aq^k)] \leq$$

$$(1-q) \sum_{k=n}^{n+p} q^k D[0_{\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}}, f(aq^k)] \leq M(1-q) \sum_{k=n}^{n+p} q^k,$$

where the continuity implies that  $f$  is bounded and that there exists  $M > 0$  such that  $D[0_{\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}}, f(x)] \leq M$  for all  $x \in [0, a]$ . In continuation, taking into account that  $(\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}, D)$  is a complete metric space, the reasonings are similar to those in the Remark 4.3.

**Theorem 4.8** (see [44]).  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  can be embedded in  $\mathbb{B} = \bar{C}[0, 1] \times \bar{C}[0, 1]$ , where  $\bar{C}[0, 1]$  is the class of all real-valued bounded functions  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f$  is left continuous for any  $x \in (0, 1]$ ,  $f$  has right limit for any  $x \in [0, 1)$ , and  $f$  is right continuous at 0. With the norm  $\|\cdot\| = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x)|$ ,  $\bar{C}[0, 1]$  is a Banach space. Denote  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbb{B}}$  the usual product norm, i.e.,  $\|(f, g)\|_{\mathbb{B}} = \max\{\|f\|, \|g\|\}$ . Let us denote the embedding by  $j : \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$ ,  $j(u) = (u_-, u_+)$ . Then  $j(\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}})$  is a closed convex cone in  $\mathbb{B}$  and  $j$  satisfies the following properties:

- (i)  $j(s \odot u \oplus t \odot v) = s \cdot j(u) + t \cdot j(v)$  for all  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  and  $s, t \geq 0$  (here “ $\cdot$ ” and “ $+$ ” denote the scalar multiplication and addition in  $\mathbb{B}$ )
- (ii)  $D(u, v) = \|j(u) - j(v)\|_{\mathbb{B}}$  (i.e.,  $j$  embeds  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  in  $\mathbb{B}$  isometrically)

Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  be a continuous fuzzy-number-valued function. The fuzzy  $q$ -Durrmeyer polynomials attached to  $f$  can be defined by

$$(D_{n,q}f)(x) = [n+1] \sum_{k=0}^n q^{-k} p_{n,k}(q; x) \odot \int_0^1 p_{n,k}(q; qu) \odot f(u) d_q u.$$

Also, let us define the following moduli of continuity and smoothness of  $f$  :

$$\omega_{\psi}(f, \delta) = \sup_{0 < h \leq \delta} \sup_{x, x+h\psi(x) \in [0, 1]} D[f(x+h\psi(x)), f(x)],$$

$$\omega_2^{\phi}(f; \delta) = \sup_{x, x+h\phi(x), x-h\phi(x) \in [0, 1], 0 \leq h \leq \delta} \{D[f(x+h\phi(x)) \oplus f(x-h\phi(x)), 2 \odot f(x)];$$

Here  $\phi^2(x) = x(1-x)$ ,  $\psi(x) = 1-x$ .

**Theorem 4.9.** Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\mathcal{F}}$  be continuous on  $[0, 1]$ . There exist the absolute constant  $C$ , such that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$\sup\{D[(D_{n,q}f)(x), f(x)]; x \in [0, 1]\} \leq C \omega_2^{\phi}(f, [n+2]^{-1/2}) + \omega_{\psi}(f, [n+2]^{-1}).$$

## 4.4 Discretely Defined $q$ -Durrmeyer Operators

For  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , Gupta and Wang [94] proposed the following  $q$ -Durrmeyer operators as

$$M_{n,q}(f;x) = [n+1]_q \sum_{k=1}^n q^{1-k} p_{n,k}(q;x) \int_0^1 f(t) p_{n,k-1}(q;qt) d_q t + f(0) p_{n,0}(q;x) \quad (4.27)$$

It can be easily verified that in the case  $q = 1$ , the operators defined by (4.27) reduce to the Durrmeyer-type operators recently introduced and studied in [3].

### 4.4.1 Moment Estimation

By the definition of  $q$ -Beta function, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 t^s p_{n,k}(q;qt) d_q t &= \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} q^k \int_0^1 t^{k+s} (1-qt)_q^{n-k} d_q t \\ &= \frac{q^k [n]_q!}{[k]_q! [n-k]_q!} \frac{[k+s]_q! [n-k]_q!}{[k+s+n-k+1]_q!} = \frac{q^k [n]_q! [k+s]_q!}{[n+s+1]_q! [k]_q!} \end{aligned} \quad (4.28)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 t^s p_{\infty,k}(q;qt) d_q t &= \frac{q^k}{(1-q)^k [k]_q!} \int_0^1 t^{k+s} (1-qt)_q^\infty d_q t \\ &= \frac{q^k}{(1-q)^k [k]_q!} [k+s]_q! (1-q)^{k+s+1} = (1-q)^{s+1} \frac{q^k [k+s]_q!}{[k]_q!}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.29)$$

**Lemma 4.5.** *We have*

$$M_{n,q}(1;x) = 1, \quad M_{n,q}(t;x) = x \frac{[n]_q}{[n+2]_q}$$

and

$$M_{n,q}(t^2;x) = \frac{(1+q)x[n]_q}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q} + x^2 \frac{q[n]_q ([n]_q - 1)}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q}.$$

*Proof.* In order to prove the theorem we shall use the following identities:

$$\sum_{k=0}^n p_{n,k}(q;x) = 1, \quad \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} p_{n,k}(q;x) = x,$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \left( \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} \right)^2 p_{n,k}(q;x) = x^2 + \frac{x(1-x)}{[n]_q}.$$

By (4.28) and (4.29), it can easily be verified that  $M_{n,q}(1;x) = 1$ . Next, using the above, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_{n,q}(t;x) &= [n+1]_q \sum_{k=1}^n q^{1-k} p_{n,k}(q;x) \frac{q^{k-1} [n]_q! [k]_q}{[n+2]_q!} \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+2]_q} \sum_{k=1}^n [k]_q p_{n,k}(q;x) = x \frac{[n]_q}{[n+2]_q}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, using  $[a+1]_q = 1 + q[a]_q$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_{n,q}(t^2;x) &= \frac{1}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q} \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n,k}(q;x) [k+1]_q [k]_q \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n,k}(q;x) (1 + q[k]_q) [k]_q \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n,k}(q;x) [k]_q + q \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n,k}(q;x) [k]_q^2 \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q} \{ x[n]_q + q(x^2[n]_q^2 + x(1-x)[n]_q) \} \\ &= \frac{x[n]_q(1+q)}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q} + \frac{q^2 x^2}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q} \left[ \frac{[n]_q^2 - [n]_q}{q} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$M_{n,q}(t^2;x) = \frac{x[n]_q(1+q)}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q} + \frac{q x^2 [n]_q ([n]_q - 1)}{[n+3]_q [n+2]_q}.$$

This completes the proof of the lemma. ■

*Remark 4.6.* By simple computation, it can easily be verified that

$$M_{n,q}(t^r;x) = \frac{[n+1]_q!}{[n+r+1]_q!} \sum_{k=1}^n [k]_q [k+1]_q \cdots [k+r-1]_q p_{n,k}(q;x), \quad r \geq 1.$$

Using  $[k + s]_q = [s]_q + q^s[k]_q$ , we get

$$[k]_q[k + 1]_q \cdots [k + r - 1]_q = \prod_{s=0}^{r-1} ([s]_q + q^s[k]_q) = \sum_{s=1}^r c_s(r) [k]_q^s,$$

where  $c_s(r) > 0$ ,  $s = 1, 2, \dots, r$  are the constants independent of  $k$ . Hence

$$M_{n,q}(t^r; x) = \frac{[n + 1]_q!}{[n + r + 1]_q!} \sum_{s=1}^r c_s(r) \sum_{k=1}^n [k]_q^s p_{n,k}(q; x) = \frac{[n + 1]_q!}{[n + r + 1]_q!} \sum_{s=1}^r c_s(r) [n]_q^s B_{n,q}(t^s; x).$$

Since  $c_s(r) > 0$  for  $s = 1, 2, \dots, r$  and  $B_{n,q}(t^s; x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $\leq \min(s, n)$  (see [7]), we get  $M_{n,q}(t^r; x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $\leq \min(r, n)$ .

### 4.4.2 Rate of Approximation

**Theorem 4.10.** *Let  $q_n \in (0, 1)$ . Then the sequence  $\{M_{n,q_n}(f)\}$  converges to  $f$  uniformly on  $[0, 1]$  for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$  if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1$ .*

*Proof.* Since the operators  $M_{n,q_n}$  are positive linear operators on  $C[0, 1]$  and preserve constant functions, the well-known Korovkin theorem [113] implies that  $M_{n,q_n}(f; x)$  converges to  $f(x)$  uniformly on  $[0, 1]$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for any  $f \in C[0, 1]$  if and only if

$$M_{n,q_n}(t^i; x) \rightarrow x^i \quad (i = 1, 2), \tag{4.30}$$

uniformly on  $[0, 1]$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . If  $q_n \rightarrow 1$ , then  $[n]_{q_n} \rightarrow \infty$  (see [151]) and for  $s = 1, 2, 3$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[n+s]_{q_n}}{[n]_{q_n}} = 1$ , hence (4.30) follows from Lemma 4.5.

On the other hand, if we assume that for any  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $M_{n,q_n}(f, x)$  converges to  $f(x)$  uniformly on  $[0, 1]$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $q_n \rightarrow 1$ . In fact, if the sequence  $(q_n)$  does not tend to 1, then it must contain a subsequence  $(q_{n_k})$  such that  $q_{n_k} \in (0, 1)$ ,  $q_{n_k} \rightarrow q_0 \in [0, 1)$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus,  $\frac{1}{[n_k+s]_{q_{n_k}}} = \frac{1 - q_{n_k}}{1 - (q_{n_k})^{n_k+s}} \rightarrow (1 - q_0)$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $s = 0, 1, 2, 3$ .

Taking  $n = n_k$ ,  $q = q_{n_k}$  in  $M_{n,q}(t^2; x)$ , by Lemma 4.5, we get

$$M_{n_k,q_{n_k}}(t^2; x) \rightarrow x(1 - q_0^2) + x^2 q_0^2 \not\rightarrow x^2 \quad (k \rightarrow \infty),$$

which leads to a contradiction. Hence,  $q_n \rightarrow 1$ .

This completes the proof of Theorem 4.10. ■

Let  $q \in (0, 1)$  be fixed. We define  $M_{\infty,q}(f, 1) = f(1)$  and for  $x \in [0, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\infty,q}(f, x) &:= \frac{1}{1 - q} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_{\infty,k}(q; x) q^{1-k} \int_0^1 f(t) p_{\infty,k-1}(q; qt) dq t + f(0) p_{\infty,0}(q; x) \\ &=: \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_{\infty,k}(f) p_{\infty,k}(q; x). \end{aligned} \tag{4.31}$$

Using (4.29), (4.31), and the fact that (see [125])

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{\infty,k}(q;x) = 1, \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1-q^k)p_{\infty,k}(q;x) = x$$

and

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1-q^k)^2 p_{\infty,k}(q;x) = x^2 + (1-q)x(1-x),$$

it is easy to prove that

$$M_{\infty,q}(1;x) = 1, \quad M_{\infty,q}(t;x) = x,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\infty,q}(t^2;x) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1-q^k)(1-q^{k+1})p_{\infty,k}(q;x) \\ &= (1-q)x + q(x^2 + (1-q)x(1-x)) = (1-q^2)x + q^2x^2. \end{aligned}$$

For  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $t > 0$ , we define the modulus of continuity  $\omega(f, t)$  as follows:

$$\omega(f, t) := \sup_{\substack{|x-y| \leq t \\ x, y \in [0, 1]}} |f(x) - f(y)|.$$

**Lemma 4.6.** *Let  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and  $f(1) = 0$ . Then we have*

$$|A_{nk}(f)| \leq A_{nk}(|f|) \leq \omega(f, q^n)(1 + q^{k-n})$$

and

$$|A_{\infty k}(f)| \leq A_{\infty k}(|f|) \leq \omega(f, q^n)(1 + q^{k-n}).$$

*Proof.* By the well-known property of modulus of continuity (see [4], pp. 20)

$$\omega(f, \lambda t) \leq (1 + \lambda)\omega(f, t), \quad \lambda > 0,$$

we get

$$|f(t)| = |f(t) - f(1)| \leq \omega(f, 1-t) \leq \omega(f, q^n)(1 + (1-t)/q^n).$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |A_{nk}(f)| &\leq A_{nk}(|f|) := [n+1]_q \int_0^1 q^{1-k} |f(t)| p_{n,k-1}(q; qt) d_q t \\
 &\leq [n+1]_q \int_0^1 q^{1-k} \omega(f, q^n) (1 + (1-t)/q^n) p_{n,k-1}(q; qt) d_q t \\
 &= \omega(f, q^n) (1 + q^{-n} (1 - \frac{[k]_q}{[n+2]_q})) \\
 &= \omega(f, q^n) \left( 1 + \frac{q^k (1 - q^{n+2-k})}{q^n (1 - q^{n+2})} \right) \leq \omega(f, q^n) (1 + q^{k-n}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |A_{\infty k}(f)| &\leq A_{\infty k}(|f|) := \frac{q^{1-k}}{1-q} \int_0^1 |f(t)| p_{\infty, k-1}(q; qt) d_q t \\
 &\leq \omega(f, q^n) \frac{q^{1-k}}{1-q} \int_0^1 (1 + (1-t)/q^n) p_{\infty, k-1}(q; qt) d_q t \\
 &= \omega(f, q^n) (1 + (1 - (1 - q^k))/q^n) = \omega(f, q^n) (1 + q^{k-n}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4.6 is proved. ■

**Theorem 4.11.** *Let  $0 < q < 1$ . Then for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$  the sequence  $\{M_{n,q}(f; x)\}$  converges to  $M_{\infty,q}(f; x)$  uniformly on  $[0, 1]$ . Furthermore,*

$$\|M_{n,q}(f) - M_{\infty,q}(f)\| \leq C_q \omega(f, q^n). \quad (4.32)$$

*Remark 4.7.* When  $f(x) = x^2$ , we have

$$\|M_{n,q}(f) - M_{\infty,q}(f)\| \geq c_1 q^n \geq c_2 \omega(f, q^n),$$

where  $c_1, c_2 > 0$  are the constants independent of  $n$ . Hence, the estimate (4.32) is sharp in the following sense: The sequence  $q^n$  in (4.32) cannot be replaced by any other sequence decreasing to zero more rapidly as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

*Proof.* The operators  $M_{n,q}$  and  $M_{\infty,q}$  preserve constant functions, that is,

$$M_{n,q}(1, x) = M_{\infty,q}(1, x) = 1.$$

Without loss of generality, we assume that  $f(1) = 0$ . If  $x = 1$ , then by Lemma 4.1, we have

$$|M_{n,q}(f; 1) - M_{\infty,q}(f; 1)| = |A_{nn}(f) - f(1)| = |A_{nn}(f)| \leq 2\omega(f, q^n).$$



For  $x \in [0, 1)$ , by the definitions of  $M_{n,q}(f; x)$  and  $M_{\infty,q}(f; x)$ , we know that

$$\begin{aligned} |M_{n,q}(f; x) - M_{\infty,q}(f; x)| &= \left| \sum_{k=0}^n A_{nk}(f) p_{n,k}(q; x) - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_{\infty k}(f) p_{\infty,k}(q; x) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^n |A_{nk}(f) - A_{\infty k}(f)| p_{n,k}(q; x) + \sum_{k=0}^n |A_{\infty k}(f)| |p_{n,k}(q; x) - p_{\infty,k}(q; x)| \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} |A_{\infty k}(f)| p_{\infty,k}(q; x) =: I_1 + I_2 + I_3. \end{aligned}$$

First we have

$$\begin{aligned} |p_{n,k}(q; x) - p_{\infty,k}(q; x)| &= \left| \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x) - \frac{x^k}{(1-q)^k [k]_q!} \prod_{s=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^s x) \right| \\ &= \left| \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k \left( \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x) - \prod_{s=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^s x) \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + x^k \prod_{s=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^s x) \left( \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q - \frac{1}{(1-q)^k [k]_q!} \right) \right| \\ &\leq p_{n,k}(q; x) \left| 1 - \prod_{s=n-k}^{\infty} (1 - q^s x) \right| \\ &\quad + p_{\infty,k}(q; x) \left| \prod_{s=n-k+1}^n (1 - q^s) - 1 \right| \\ &\leq \frac{q^{n-k}}{1-q} (p_{n,k}(q; x) + p_{\infty,k}(q; x)), \end{aligned}$$

where in the last formula, we use the following inequality, which can be easily proved by the induction on  $n$  (see [100]):

$$1 - \prod_{s=1}^n (1 - a_s) \leq \sum_{s=1}^n a_s, \quad (a_1, \dots, a_n \in (0, 1), n = 1, 2, \dots, \infty).$$

Using the above inequality we get

$$\begin{aligned} |A_{nk}(f) - A_{\infty k}(f)| &\leq \int_0^1 q^{1-k} |f(t)| \left| [n+1]_q p_{n,k-1}(q; qt) - \frac{1}{1-q} p_{\infty,k-1}(q; qt) \right| d_q t \\ &\leq \int_0^1 q^{1-k} |f(t)| \left| [n+1]_q - \frac{1}{1-q} \right| p_{\infty,k-1}(q; qt) d_q t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \int_0^1 q^{1-k} |f(t)| [n+1]_q \left| p_{n,k-1}(q;qt) - p_{\infty,k-1}(q;qt) \right| d_q t \\
 & \leq \frac{q^{n+1}}{1-q} \int_0^1 q^{1-k} |f(t)| p_{\infty,k-1}(q;qt) d_q t \\
 & + \frac{q^{n-k}}{1-q} \int_0^1 q^{1-k} |f(t)| [n+1] (p_{n,k-1}(q;qt) + p_{\infty,k-1}(q;qt)) d_q t \\
 & = q^{n+1} A_{\infty k}(|f|) + \frac{q^{n-k}}{1-q} A_{nk}(|f|) + q^{n-k} [n+1]_q A_{\infty k}(|f|) \\
 & \leq q^{n+1} \omega(f, q^n) (1 + q^{k-n}) + 2 \frac{q^{n-k}}{1-q} \omega(f, q^n) (1 + q^{k-n}) \leq \frac{5\omega(f, q^n)}{1-q}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we estimate  $I_1$  and  $I_3$ . We have

$$I_1 \leq \frac{5\omega(f, q^n)}{1-q} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n,k}(q;x) = \frac{5\omega(f, q^n)}{1-q}.$$

and

$$I_3 \leq \omega(f, q^n) \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} (1 + q^{k-n}) p_{\infty,k}(q;x) \leq 2\omega(f, q^n) \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} p_{\infty,k}(q;x) \leq 2\omega(f, q^n).$$

Finally we estimate  $I_2$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2 & \leq \sum_{k=0}^n \omega(f, q^n) (1 + q^{k-n}) \frac{q^{n-k}}{1-q} (p_{n,k}(q;x) + p_{\infty,k}(q;x)) \\
 & \leq \frac{2\omega(f, q^n)}{1-q} \sum_{k=0}^n (p_{n,k}(q;x) + p_{\infty,k}(q;x)) \leq \frac{4\omega(f, q^n)}{1-q}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that for  $x \in [0, 1)$ ,

$$|M_{n,q}(f;x) - M_{\infty,q}(f;x)| \leq C_q \omega(f, q^n),$$

where  $C_q = 2 + \frac{9}{1-q}$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 4.11. ■

Since  $M_{\infty,q}(t^2, x) = (1 - q^2)x + q^2x^2 > x^2$  for  $0 < q < 1$ , as a consequence of Lemma 3.10, we have the following:

**Theorem 4.12.** *Let  $0 < q < 1$  be fixed and let  $f \in C[0, 1]$ . Then  $M_{\infty,q}(f;x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$  if and only if  $f$  is linear.*

*Remark 4.8.* Let  $0 < q < 1$  be fixed and let  $f \in C[0, 1]$ . Then by Theorem 4.11 and Theorem 4.12, it can easily be verified that the sequence  $\{M_{n,q}(f;x)\}$  does not

approximate  $f(x)$  unless  $f$  is linear. This is completely in contrast to the classical Bernstein polynomials, by which  $\{B_{n,1}(f;x)\}$  approximates  $f(x)$  for any  $f \in C[0, 1]$ .

At last, we discuss approximating property of the operators  $M_{\infty,q}$ .

**Theorem 4.13.** For any  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $\{M_{\infty,q}(f)\}$  converges to  $f$  uniformly on  $[0, 1]$  as  $q \rightarrow 1-$ .

*Proof.* The proof is standard. We know that the operators  $M_{\infty,q}$  are positive linear operators on  $C[0, 1]$  and reproduce linear functions. Also,

$$M_{\infty,q}(t^2;x) = (1 - q^2)x + q^2x^2 \rightarrow x^2$$

uniformly on  $[0, 1]$  as  $q \rightarrow 1-$ . Theorem 4.5 follows from the Korovkin theorem. ■

## 4.5 Genuine $q$ -Bernstein–Durrmeyer Operators

For  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , Mahmudov and Sabancigil [121] defined the following genuine  $q$ -Bernstein–Durrmeyer operators as

$$\begin{aligned} U_{n,q}(f;x) &= [n-1]_q \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} q^{1-k} p_{n,k}(q;x) \int_0^1 f(t) p_{n-2,k-1}(q;qt) d_q t \\ &\quad + f(0) p_{n,0}(q;x) + f(1) p_{n,n}(q;x) \\ &=: \sum_{k=0}^n A_{nk}(f) p_{n,k}(q;x), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{4.33}$$

It can be easily verified that in the case  $q = 1$ , the operators defined by (4.33) reduce to the genuine Bernstein–Durrmeyer operators [82].

### 4.5.1 Moments

**Lemma 4.7 ([121]).** We have

$$U_{n,q}(1;x) = 1, U_{n,q}(t;x) = x$$

$$U_{n,q}(t^2;x) = \frac{(1+q)x(1-x)}{[n+1]_q} + x^2$$

and

$$U_{n,q}((t-x)^2;x) = \frac{(1+q)x(1-x)}{[n+1]_q} \leq \frac{2}{[n+1]_q} x(1-x).$$

**Lemma 4.8 ([121]).**  $U_{n,q}(t; x)$  is a polynomial of degree less than or equal to  $\min\{m, n\}$ .

*Proof.* By simple computation,

$$\begin{aligned} U_{n,q}(t^m; x) &= [n-1]_q \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} q^{1-k} p_{n,k}(q; x) \int_0^1 f(t) p_{n-2,k-1}(q; qt) t^m d_q t + p_{n,n}(q; x) \\ &= [n-1]_q \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} p_{n,k}(q; x) \frac{[n-2]_q! [k+m-1]_q!}{[k-1]_q! [n+m-1]_q!} + p_{n,n}(q; x) \\ &= \frac{[n-1]_q!}{[n+m-1]_q!} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} p_{n,k}(q; x) \frac{[k+m-1]_q!}{[k-1]_q!} + p_{n,n}(q; x) \\ &= \frac{[n-1]_q!}{[n+m-1]_q!} \sum_{k=1}^n p_{n,k}(q; x) [k]_q [k+1]_q \cdots [k+m-1]_q + p_{n,n}(q; x). \end{aligned}$$

Next using

$$[k]_q [k+1]_q \cdots [k+m-1]_q = \prod_{s=0}^{m-1} (q^s [k]_q + [s]_q) = \sum_{s=1}^m c_s(m) [k]_q^s,$$

where  $c_s(m) > 0, s = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$  are the constants independent of  $k$ , we get

$$U_{n,q}(t^m; x) = \frac{[n-1]_q!}{[n+m-1]_q!} \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^m c_s(m) [n]_q^s B_{n,q}(t^s; x),$$

where  $B_{n,q}$  is the  $q$  Bernstein operator. Since  $B_{n,q}(t^s; x)$  is a polynomial of degree less than or equal to  $\min\{s, n\}$  and  $c_s(m) > 0, s = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ , it follows that  $U_{n,q}(t^m; x)$  is a polynomial of degree less than or equal to  $\min\{m, n\}$ . ■

### 4.5.2 Direct Results

The following theorems were established by [121]:

**Theorem 4.14.** Let  $0 < q_n < 1$ . Then the sequence  $\{U_{n,q}(f; x)\}$  converges to  $f$  uniformly on  $[0, 1]$  for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1$ .

**Theorem 4.15.** Let  $0 < q < 1$  and  $n > 3$ . Then for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$  the sequence  $\{U_{n,q}(f; x)\}$  converges to  $f(x)$  uniformly on  $[0, 1]$ . Furthermore

$$\|U_{n,q}(f; \cdot) - U_{\infty,q}(f; \cdot)\| \leq c_q \omega(f, q^{n-2}),$$

where  $c_q = \frac{10}{1-q} + 4$  and  $\|\cdot\|$  is the uniform norm on  $[0, 1]$ .

**Theorem 4.16.** *There exists an absolute constant  $C > 0$  such that*

$$|U_{n,q}(f;x) - f(x)| \leq C \omega_2 \left( f, \sqrt{\frac{x(1-x)}{[n+1]_q}} \right),$$

where  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $0 < q < 1$ , and  $x \in [0, 1]$ .

*Proof.* Using Taylor's formula

$$g(t) = g(x) + (t-x) g'(x) + \int_x^t (t-u) g''(u) du,$$

we obtain

$$U_{n,q}(g;x) = g(x) + U_{n,q} \left( \int_x^t (t-u) g''(u) du; x \right), g \in C^2[0, 1]$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} |U_{n,q}(g;x) - g(x)| &\leq U_{n,q} \left( \left| \int_x^t |t-u| \cdot |g''(u)| du \right|, x \right) \\ &\leq U_{n,q}((t-x)^2; x) \cdot \|g''\| \leq \|g''\| \frac{2}{[n+1]_q} x(1-x). \end{aligned}$$

Now for  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and  $g \in C^2[0, 1]$  and with the fact  $\|U_{n,q}(f; \cdot; \cdot)\| \leq \|f\|$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |U_{n,q}(f;x) - g(x)| &\leq |U_{n,q}(f-g;x)| + |U_{n,q}(g;x) - g(x)| + \|f(x) - g(x)\| \\ &\leq 2 \|f-g\| + \|g''\| \frac{2}{[n+1]_q} x(1-x). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the infimum on the right hand side over all  $g \in C^2[0, 1]$ , we obtain

$$|U_{n,q}(f;x) - f(x)| \leq 2K_2 \left( f, \frac{1}{[n+1]_q} x(1-x) \right). \quad (4.34)$$

The desired results follow from (4.12), (4.34). This completes the proof of the theorem. ■

## 4.6 $q$ -Bernstein Jacobi Operators

In the year 2005, Derriennic [48] introduced the generalization of modified Bernstein polynomials for  $q$ -Jacobi weights using the  $q$ -Bernstein basis functions. For  $q \in (0, 1)$  and  $\alpha, \beta > -1$

$$L_{n,q}^{\alpha,\beta}(f;x) = \sum_{k=0}^n f_{n,k,q}^{\alpha,\beta} p_{n,k}(q;x) \quad (4.35)$$

where

$$p_{n,k}(q;x) := \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x)$$

and

$$f_{n,k,q}^{\alpha,\beta} = \frac{\int_0^1 t^{k+\alpha} (1-qt)_q^{n-k+\beta} f(q^{\beta+1}t) d_q t}{\int_0^1 t^{k+\alpha} (1-qt)_q^{n-k+\beta} d_q t}.$$

It is observed in [48] that for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $L_{n,q}^{\alpha,\beta}(f;x)$  is linear and positive and preserves the constant functions.

It is self adjoint. It preserves the degree of polynomials of degree  $\leq n$ .

The polynomial  $L_{n,q}^{\alpha,\beta}(f;x)$  is well defined if there exists  $\gamma \geq 0$  such that  $x^\gamma f(x)$  is bounded on  $(0,A]$  for some  $A \in (90, 1]$  and  $\alpha > \gamma - 1$ . Indeed  $x^\alpha f(x)$  is then  $q$ -integrable for the weight  $w_q^{\alpha,\beta}(x) = x^\alpha (1-qx)_q^\beta$ . Thus we call that  $f$  is said to satisfy the condition  $C(\alpha)$ . Also  $\langle f, g \rangle_q^{\alpha,\beta}$  is well defined if the product  $fg$  satisfies  $C(\alpha)$ , particularly if  $f^2$  and  $g^2$  do it, where

$$\langle f, g \rangle_q^{\alpha,\beta} = \int_0^{q^{\beta+1}} t^\alpha (1-q^{-\beta}t)_q^\beta f(t)g(t) d_q t$$

and

$$\langle f, g \rangle_q^{\alpha,\beta} = q^{(\alpha+1)(\beta+1)} \int_0^1 t^\alpha (1-qt)_q^\beta f(q^{\beta+1}t)g(q^{\beta+1}t) d_q t.$$

### 4.6.1 Basic Results

**Proposition 4.1.** *If  $f$  verifies the condition  $C(\alpha)$ , we have*

$$D_q L_{n,q}^{\alpha,\beta}(f;x) = \frac{[n]_q}{[n+\alpha+\beta+2]_q} q^{\alpha+\beta+2} L_{n-1,q}^{\alpha+1,\beta+1} D_q \left( f \left( \frac{\cdot}{q} \right); qx \right), x \in [0, 1]$$

**Proposition 4.2.** *For any  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}, x \in [0, 1]$  and  $q \in [1/2, 1]$  if*

$$T_{n,m,q}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n,k}(q;x) \frac{\int_0^1 t^{k+\alpha} (1-qt)_q^{n-k+\beta} (x-t)_q^m d_q t}{\int_0^1 t^{k+\alpha} (1-qt)_q^{n-k+\beta} d_q t}.$$

**Lemma 4.9.** *For any  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}, x \in [0, 1]$  and  $q \in [1/2, 1]$  if*

$$T_{n,m,q}^1(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n,k}(q;x) \frac{\int_0^1 t^{k+\alpha} (1-qt)_q^{n-k+\beta} (x-t)_q^m d_q t}{\int_0^1 t^{k+\alpha} (1-qt)_q^{n-k+\beta} d_q t}.$$

Then for  $m \geq 2$ , the following recurrence formula holds

$$\begin{aligned} & [n+m+\alpha+\beta+2]_q q^{-\alpha-2m-1} T_{n,m+1,q}^1(x) \\ &= (-x(1-x)D_q T_{n,m,q}^1(x) + T_{n,m,q}^1(x)(p_{1,m}(x) + x(1-q)[n+\alpha+\beta]_q [m+1]_q q^{1-\alpha-m})) \\ &= +T_{n,m-1,q}^1(x)p_{2,m}(x) + T_{n,m-2,q}^1(x)p_{3,m}(x)(1-q), \end{aligned}$$

where the polynomials  $p_{i,m}(x)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$  are uniformly bounded with regard to  $n$  and  $q$ .

**Lemma 4.10.** For any  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $q \in [1/2, 1]$ , the expansion of  $(x-t)^m$  on the Newton basis at the points  $x/q^i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m-1$  is

$$(x-t)^m = \sum_{k=1}^m d_{m,k} (1-q)^{m-k} (x-t)_q^k, \quad (4.36)$$

where the coefficient  $d_{m,k}$  verify  $|d_{m,k}| \leq d_m$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $d_m$  does not depend on  $x, t, q$ .

*Remark 4.9.* From Lemmas 4.9 and 4.10, we have for any  $m$  there exists a constant  $K_m > 0$  independent of  $n$  and  $q$ , such that

$$\sup_{x \in [0,1]} |T_{n,m,q}(x)| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{K_m}{[n]_q^{m/2}}, & \text{if } m \text{ is even} \\ \frac{K_m}{[n]_q^{(m+1)/2}}, & \text{if } m \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

*Remark 4.10.* The sequence  $(q_n)$  has the property  $S$  if and only if there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $c > 0$  such that for any  $n > N$ ,  $1 - q_n < c/n$ .

## 4.6.2 Convergence

**Theorem 4.17.** If  $f$  is continuous at the point  $x \in (0, 1)$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_{n,q_n}^{\alpha,\beta}(f;x) = f(x)$$

in the following cases:

1. If  $f$  is bounded on  $[0, 1]$  and the sequence  $(q_n)$  is such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1$
2. If there exist real numbers  $\alpha', \beta' \geq 0$  and a real  $k' > 0$  such that, for any  $x \in (0, 1)$ ,  $|x^{\alpha'}(1-x)^{\beta'} f(x)| \leq k'$ ,  $\alpha' < \alpha + 1$ ,  $\beta' < \beta + 1$  and the sequence  $(q_n)$  owns the property  $S$

**Theorem 4.18.** *If the function  $f$  admits a second derivative at the point  $x \in [0, 1]$ , then as in cases 1 and 2 of Theorem 4.17, we have*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{q_n} [L_{n,q}^{\alpha,\beta}(f;x) - f(x)] = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{(x^{\alpha+1}(1-x)^{\beta+1}f'(x))}{x^\alpha(1-x)^\beta} \tag{4.37}$$

*Proof.* By Taylor’s formula, we have

$$f(t) = f(x) + (t-x)f'(x) + \frac{(t-x)^2}{2!}f''(x) + (t-x)^2\varepsilon(t-x),$$

where  $\lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon(u) = 0$ . Thus

$$L_{n,q_n}^{\alpha,\beta}(f;x) - f(x) = -f'(x)T_{n,1,q_n}(x) + \frac{f''(x)}{2!}T_{n,2,q_n}(x) + R_n(x),$$

where  $R_n(x) = L_{n,q_n}^{\alpha,\beta}((t-x)^2\varepsilon(t-x);x)$ . Using  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} [a]_q = a$  for any  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Using Lemmas 4.9 and 4.10, we have  $\lim_{[n]_{q_n} \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{q_n} T_{n,1,q_n}(x) = (\alpha + \beta + 2)x - \alpha - 1$  and  $\lim_{[n]_{q_n} \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{q_n} T_{n,2,q_n}(x) = 2x(1-x)$ . The result follows immediately if we show that  $\lim_{[n]_{q_n} \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{q_n} R_n(x) = 0$ . Proceeding along the same manner as in Theorem 4.17. For any  $\eta > 0$  we can find a  $\delta > 0$  such that for  $n$  large enough  $\varepsilon(t-x) < \eta$  if  $|x - q_n^{\beta+1}t| < \delta$ .

We obtain the inequality  $|(t-x)^2\varepsilon(t-x)| \leq \eta(x-t)^2 + (\rho_x + |f(t)|)I_{x,\delta}(q^{-(\beta+1)}t)$  for any  $t \in (0, 1)$  where  $\rho_x$  is independent of  $t$  and  $\delta$ . We deduce

$$[n]_{q_n} |R_n(x)| \leq \begin{cases} [n]_{q_n} (\eta T_{n,2,q_n}(x) + (\rho_x + k) T_{n,4,q_n}(x) / \delta^4), & \text{in case 1} \\ [n]_{q_n} (\eta T_{n,2,q_n}(x) + \rho_x T_{n,4,q_n}(x) / \delta^4) + k'nE_n(x, \delta), & \text{in case 1} \end{cases}$$

The right hand side tends to  $2\eta x(1-x)$  when  $n$  (hence  $[n]_{q_n}$ ) tends to infinity is as small as wanted. ■