



# Nonlinear Approximation by $q$ -Favard-Szász-Mirakjan Operators of Max-Product Kind

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## Abstract

In this study, nonlinear  $q$ -Favard-Szász-Mirakjan operators of max-product kind are defined and approximation properties of these operators are investigated. Classical approximation and  $A$ -statistical approximation theorems are given.

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## 1. Introduction

The approximation of functions by using linear positive operators introduced via  $q$ -Calculus and  $(p, q)$ -Calculus is currently under intensive research. Firstly, generalizations of Bernstein polynomials based on the  $q$ -integers has been investigated by Lupas [1] and Phillips [2]. Later, generalized  $q$ -Bernstein operators and the  $q$ -generalization of other operators were studied in [3]-[8]. Also, in recent years, a nonlinear modification of the classical Bernstein polynomial has been introduced by Bede and Gal [9]. All the max-product operators are nonlinear and piecewise rational, and they present, for many subclasses of functions, essentially better approximation properties than the classical linear operators. In [10]-[13], Favard-Szász-Mirakjan operator of max-product kind and Bernstein operator of max-product kind were studied. Duman constructed a nonlinear approximation operator by modifying the  $q$ -Bernstein polynomial in [14].

In this study, we define nonlinear  $q$ -Favard-Szász-Mirakjan operators of max-product kind. But, before that the classical Favard-Szász-Mirakjan operators (see [15]) and its  $q$ -generalization (see [16]) are given respectively by

$$S_n(f, x) = e^{-nx} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \quad (1.1)$$

and

$$S_{n,q}(f, x) = E_q(-[n]_q x) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{([n]_q x)^k}{[k]_q!} f\left(\frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q}\right), \quad (1.2)$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f$  is bounded,  $f \in C[0, +\infty)$ ,  $x \in [0, +\infty)$ ,  $q \in (0, 1)$  and  $E_q(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} \frac{x^n}{[n]_q!}$ .

The aim of this paper is to study the nonlinear approximation properties of  $q$ -Favard-Szász-Mirakjan operators of max-product kind.

We first recall some basic definitions in  $q$ -calculus. Let parameter  $q$  be a positive real number and  $n$  a non-negative integer.  $[n]_q$  denotes a  $q$  integer, defined by

$$[n]_q = \begin{cases} \frac{1-q^n}{1-q}, & q \neq 1 \\ n, & q = 1. \end{cases}$$

Let  $q > 0$  be given. We define a  $q$ -factorial,  $[n]_q!$  of  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , as

$$[n]_q! = \begin{cases} [1]_q [2]_q \dots [n]_q, & n = 1, 2, \dots \\ 1, & n = 0. \end{cases}$$

The  $q$ -binomial coefficient  $\begin{bmatrix} n \\ r \end{bmatrix}_q$  by

$$\begin{bmatrix} n \\ r \end{bmatrix}_q = \frac{[n]_q!}{[n-r]_q! [r]_q!}.$$

## 2. Construction of the Operators

The approximation properties of the classical Favard-Szasz-Mirakjan operators of max-product kind were investigated in [9]. In this section, we construct nonlinear  $q$ -Favard-Szász-Mirakjan operators of max-product kind. We consider the operations "  $\vee$  " (maximum) and "  $\cdot$  " (product) over the interval  $[0, +\infty)$ . Then  $([0, +\infty), \vee, \cdot)$  has a semiring structure and is called "max-product algebra" (see, for instance [13]).

Let  $C_+[0, +\infty) := \{f : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty) : f \text{ is continuous on } [0, +\infty)\}$ . We define nonlinear  $q$ -Favard-Szász-Mirakjan operators of max-product kind as follows:

$$F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x) = \frac{\bigvee_{k=0}^{\infty} s_{n,k}(x, q) f\left(\frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q}\right)}{\bigvee_{k=0}^{\infty} s_{n,k}(x, q)}, \tag{2.1}$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f \in C_+[0, +\infty)$ ,  $x \in [0, +\infty)$ ,  $q \in (0, 1)$  and  $s_{n,k}(x, q)$  is given by

$$s_{n,k}(x, q) = \frac{([n]_q x)^k}{[k]_q!}. \tag{2.2}$$

Since it easy to check that  $F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(0) - f(0) = 0$  for all  $n$ , notice that in the notations, proofs and statements of all approximation results in fact we always may suppose that  $x > 0$ .

Since  $f \in C_+[0, +\infty)$  and  $s_{n,k}(x, q)$  is positive for all  $x \in [0, +\infty)$ ,  $F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x)$  is a positive operator. Now, we show that  $F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x)$  is not linear operator on  $C_+[0, +\infty)$ .

Let  $f, g \in C_+[0, +\infty)$ . Then, by definition we see that

$$f \leq g \implies F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x) \leq F_{n,q}^{(M)}(g)(x). \tag{2.3}$$

Thus,  $F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x)$  is increasing with respect to  $f \in C_+[0, +\infty)$ . Besides, for any  $f, g \in C_+[0, +\infty)$  we have

$$F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f+g)(x) \leq F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x) + F_{n,q}^{(M)}(g)(x). \tag{2.4}$$

In general,  $\omega_1(f, \delta)$ ,  $\delta > 0$  denote the modulus of continuity of  $f \in C_+[0, +\infty)$  defined by

$$\omega_1(f, \delta) = \sup\{|f(x) - f(y)| : x, y \in [0, +\infty), |x - y| \leq \delta\}.$$

Now, using (2.3), (2.4) and also applying Corollary 2.3 in [11] or Corollary 3 in [13], we have the following inequality:

$$|F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x) - f(x)| \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{\delta_n} F_{n,q}^{(M)}(\varphi_x)(x)\right) \omega_1(f, \delta_n), \tag{2.5}$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f \in C_+[0, +\infty)$ ,  $x \in [0, +\infty)$ ,  $q \in (0, 1)$  and  $\varphi_x(t) = |x - t|$ .

### 3. Auxiliary Results

For each  $k, j \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $x \in \left[ \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q} \right]$ , let us denote

$$M_{k,n,j}(x, q) = \frac{s_{n,k}(x, q) \left| \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - x \right|}{s_{n,j}(x, q)}, \quad (3.1)$$

$$m_{k,n,j}(x, q) = \frac{s_{n,k}(x, q)}{s_{n,j}(x, q)}. \quad (3.2)$$

It can easily see that if  $k \geq j + 1$  then

$$M_{k,n,j}(x, q) = \frac{s_{n,k}(x, q) \left( \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - x \right)}{s_{n,j}(x, q)},$$

and if  $k \leq j - 1$  then

$$M_{k,n,j}(x, q) = \frac{s_{n,k}(x, q) \left( x - \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} \right)}{s_{n,j}(x, q)}.$$

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $q \in (0, 1)$ . For all  $k, j \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $x \in \left[ \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q} \right]$ , we get*

$$m_{k,n,j}(x, q) \leq 1. \quad (3.3)$$

*Proof.* We consider two cases: (i)  $k \geq j$  and (ii)  $k < j$ .

*Case (i).* From (3.2), we have

$$\frac{m_{k,n,j}(x, q)}{m_{k+1,n,j}(x, q)} = \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q} \frac{1}{x}.$$

Since the function  $h(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is non-increasing on  $\left[ \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q} \right]$ , from here we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m_{k,n,j}(x, q)}{m_{k+1,n,j}(x, q)} &= \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q} \frac{[n]_q}{[j+1]_q} \\ &= \frac{[k+1]_q}{[j+1]_q} \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

which immediately implies

$$m_{j,n,j}(x, q) \geq m_{j+1,n,j}(x, q) \geq m_{j+2,n,j}(x, q) \geq \dots$$

*Case (ii)* We get

$$\frac{m_{k,n,j}(x, q)}{m_{k-1,n,j}(x, q)} = \frac{[n]_q}{[k]_q} x \geq \frac{[n]_q}{[k]_q} \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q} = \frac{[j]_q}{[k]_q} \geq 1,$$

which immediately implies

$$m_{j,n,j}(x, q) \geq m_{j-1,n,j}(x, q) \geq m_{j-2,n,j}(x, q) \geq \dots \geq m_{0,n,j}(x, q).$$

Since  $m_{j,n,j}(x, q) = 1$  the proof of the lemma is finished. □

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $q \in (0, 1)$ ,  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $x \in \left[ \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q} \right]$ .*

(i) *If  $k \in \{j+1, j+2, \dots\}$  is such that  $[k+1]_q - \sqrt{q^k [k+1]_q} \geq [j+1]_q$ , then  $M_{k,n,j}(x, q) \geq M_{k+1,n,j}(x, q)$ .*

(ii) *If  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, j-1\}$  is such that  $[k]_q - \sqrt{q^{k-1} [k]_q} \leq [j]_q$ , then*

$$M_{k-1,n,j}(x, q) \leq M_{k,n,j}(x, q).$$

*Proof.* (i) Let  $k \in \{j+1, j+2, \dots\}$  and  $[k+1]_q - \sqrt{q^k[k+1]_q} \geq [j+1]_q$ . Then, we can write that

$$\frac{M_{k,n,j}(x,q)}{M_{k+1,n,j}(x,q)} = \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q} \frac{1}{x} \frac{\frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - x}{\frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q} - x}.$$

Since the  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x} \frac{\frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - x}{\frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q} - x}$  clearly is decreasing on the interval  $\left[\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &\geq g\left(\frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right) = \frac{[n]_q}{[j+1]_q} \frac{\frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}}{\frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}} \\ &= \frac{[n]_q}{[j+1]_q} \frac{[k]_q - [j+1]_q}{[k+1]_q - [j+1]_q}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the condition  $[k+1]_q - \sqrt{q^k[k+1]_q} \geq [j+1]_q$  is equivalent to  $[k+1]_q - \sqrt{[k+1]_q^2 - [k]_q[k+1]_q} \geq [j+1]_q$  which implies that  $[k+1]_q([k]_q - [j+1]_q) \geq [j+1]_q([k+1]_q - [j+1]_q)$ .

So, we achieve that

$$\frac{M_{k,n,j}(x,q)}{M_{k+1,n,j}(x,q)} \geq 1,$$

which proves Lemma 3.2 (i).

(ii) Let  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, j-1\}$  and  $[k]_q - \sqrt{q^{k-1}[k]_q} \leq [j]_q$ . Then, we can write that

$$\frac{M_{k,n,j}(x,q)}{M_{k-1,n,j}(x,q)} = \frac{[n]_q}{[k]_q} x \frac{x - \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q}}{x - \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q}}.$$

Since the  $h(x) = x \frac{x - \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q}}{x - \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q}}$  clearly is increasing on the interval  $\left[\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} h(x) &\geq h\left(\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}\right) = \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q} \frac{\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q}}{\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[k-1]_q}{[n]_q}} \\ &= \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q} \frac{[j]_q - [k]_q}{[j]_q - [k-1]_q}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the condition  $[k]_q + \sqrt{q^{k-1}[k+1]_q} \leq [j]_q$  is equivalent to  $[k]_q - \sqrt{[k]_q^2 - [k]_q[k-1]_q} \leq [j]_q$  which implies that  $[j]_q([j]_q - [k]_q) \geq [k]_q([j]_q - [k-1]_q)$ .

So, we achieve that

$$\frac{M_{k,n,j}(x,q)}{M_{k-1,n,j}(x,q)} \geq 1$$

which proves Lemma 3.2 (ii). □

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $q \in (0, 1)$ ,  $j \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $x \in \left[\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right]$ . We get

$$\bigvee_{k=0}^{\infty} s_{n,k}(x,q) = s_{n,j}(x,q).$$

*Proof.* Firstly, we show that for fixed  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 \leq k$  we get

$$0 \leq s_{n,k+1}(x,q) \leq s_{n,k}(x,q) \iff x \in \left[0, \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right].$$

Indeed, from  $s_{n,k}(x, q) = \frac{([n]_q x)^k}{[k]_q!}$  we have

$$0 \leq s_{n,k+1}(x, q) \leq s_{n,k}(x, q)$$

$$0 \leq \frac{([n]_q x)^{k+1}}{[k+1]_q!} \leq \frac{([n]_q x)^k}{[k]_q!},$$

which after simplifications is obviously equivalent to

$$0 \leq x \leq \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q}.$$

So, if we take  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , then we achieve that

$$s_{n,1}(x, q) \leq s_{n,0}(x, q) \iff x \in \left[0, \frac{[1]_q}{[n]_q}\right],$$

$$s_{n,2}(x, q) \leq s_{n,1}(x, q) \iff x \in \left[0, \frac{[2]_q}{[n]_q}\right],$$

$$s_{n,3}(x, q) \leq s_{n,2}(x, q) \iff x \in \left[0, \frac{[3]_q}{[n]_q}\right],$$

so on,

$$s_{n,k+1}(x, q) \leq s_{n,k}(x, q) \iff x \in \left[0, \frac{[k+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right],$$

and so on.

From above inequalities, we can easily write:

$$\text{if } x \in \left[0, \frac{[1]_q}{[n]_q}\right] \text{ then } s_{n,k}(x, q) \leq s_{n,0}(x, q), \text{ for all } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$\text{if } x \in \left[\frac{[1]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[2]_q}{[n]_q}\right] \text{ then } s_{n,k}(x, q) \leq s_{n,1}(x, q), \text{ for all } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$\text{if } x \in \left[\frac{[2]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[3]_q}{[n]_q}\right] \text{ then } s_{n,k}(x, q) \leq s_{n,2}(x, q), \text{ for all } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

and so on, as a result, we obtain

$$\text{if } x \in \left[\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right] \text{ then } s_{n,k}(x, q) \leq s_{n,j}(x, q), \text{ for all } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

which completes the proof of Lemma 3.3. □

## 4. Approximation Results

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $f : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  be bounded and continuous on  $[0, +\infty)$  and  $q \in (0, 1)$ . Then we get the following estimation*

$$\left| F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x) - f(x) \right| \leq 8\omega_1 \left( f; \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \right), \quad (4.1)$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x \in [0, +\infty)$  and

$$\omega_1(f, \delta) = \sup\{|f(x) - f(y)| : x, y \in [0, +\infty), |x - y| \leq \delta\}.$$

*Proof.* Taking  $q = q_n \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\lim_n q_n = 1$ , we deduce  $\lim_n [n]_{q_n} = \infty$ . From (2.5), we have

$$|F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x) - f(x)| \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{\delta_n} F_{n,q}^{(M)}(\varphi_x)(x)\right) \omega_1(f, \delta_n), \quad (4.2)$$

where  $\varphi_x(t) = |x - t|$ . Thus, it is enough to estimate

$$A_{n,q}(x) := F_{n,q}^{(M)}(\varphi_x)(x) = \frac{\bigvee_{k=0}^{\infty} s_{n,k}(x, q) \left| \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - x \right|}{\bigvee_{k=0}^{\infty} s_{n,k}(x, q)},$$

where  $x \in [0, +\infty)$ . Let  $x \in \left[\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right]$ , where  $j \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  is fixed, arbitrary. By Lemma 3.3 we can easily achieve

$$A_{n,q}(x) = \max\{M_{k,n,j}(x, q) : x \in \left[\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right], k = 0, 1, \dots\}.$$

Firstly, we show that for  $j = 0$  and  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  we obtain  $A_{n,q}(x) \leq \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}$  for all  $x \in \left[0, \frac{1}{[n]_q}\right]$ .

Indeed, for  $j = 0$  we get  $M_{k,n,0}(x, q) = \frac{([n]_q x)^k}{[k]_q!} \left| \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - x \right|$  which for  $k = 0$  gives  $M_{k,n,0}(x, q) = x = \sqrt{x}\sqrt{x} \leq \sqrt{x} \frac{1}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}$ . Furthermore, for any  $k = 1, 2, \dots$  we have  $\frac{1}{[n]_q} \leq \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q}$  and we obtain

$$M_{k,n,0}(x, q) \leq \frac{([n]_q x)^k}{[k]_q!} \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} = \sqrt{x} \frac{[n]_q^{k-1} x^{k-\frac{1}{2}}}{[k-1]_q} \leq \sqrt{x} \frac{[n]_q^{k-1}}{[k-1]_q [n]_q^{k-\frac{1}{2}}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}.$$

Now we claim that for each  $M_{k,n,j}(x, q)$  when  $j = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  the following inequality

$$M_{k,n,j}(x, q) \leq \frac{4\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}, \quad \forall x \in \left[\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right], \quad (4.3)$$

which immediately will imply that

$$A_{n,q}(x) \leq \frac{4\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}, \quad \forall x \in [0, \infty), n \in \mathbb{N},$$

and taking  $\delta_n = \frac{4\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}$  in (4.2) we complete the proof of Theorem 4.1.

In order to prove (4.3) we consider the following three cases: 1)  $k = j$ , 2)  $k \geq j + 1$ , 3)  $k \leq j - 1$ .

*Case 1)* If  $k = j$  then from (3.1)  $M_{j,n,j}(x, q) = \left| \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q} - x \right|$ . Since  $x \in \left[\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right]$  we can easily see that  $M_{j,n,j}(x, q) \leq \frac{1}{[n]_q}$ .

Since  $j \geq 1$  we have  $x \geq \frac{1}{[n]_q}$  which implies

$$M_{j,n,j}(x, q) \leq \frac{1}{[n]_q} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \leq \sqrt{x} \frac{1}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}.$$

*Case 2)* Subcase a) We suppose that  $k \geq j + 1$  and  $[k+1]_q - \sqrt{q^k [k+1]_q} < [j+1]_q$ . We have from Lemma 3.1 that

$$M_{k,n,j}(x, q) = m_{k,n,j}(x, q) \left( \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - x \right) \leq \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}.$$

By hypothesis, since

$$q[k]_q - \sqrt{q^k [k+1]_q} < q[j]_q,$$

we have

$$M_{k,n,j}(x, q) \leq \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[k]_q - \sqrt{q^{k-2} [k+1]_q}}{[n]_q} = \frac{\sqrt{q^{k-2} [k+1]_q}}{[n]_q}.$$

Since  $k \geq 2$  and  $q \in (0, 1)$ , we obtain

$$M_{k,n,j}(x, q) \leq \frac{\sqrt{[k+1]_q}}{[n]_q}.$$

But we necessarily have  $k \leq 3j$ . Indeed, if we suppose that  $k > 3j$ , then because  $g(k) = [k+1]_q - \sqrt{q^k[k+1]_q}$  is increasing with respect to  $k$ . Indeed, we can write that

$$\begin{aligned} g(k+1) - g(k) &= [k+2]_q - [k+1]_q + \sqrt{q^k[k+1]_q} - \sqrt{q^{k+1}[k+2]_q} \\ &\geq [k+2]_q - [k+1]_q + \sqrt{q^k[k+1]_q} - \sqrt{q^k[k+2]_q} \\ &= q^{k+1} - q^{\frac{k}{2}} \left( \sqrt{[k+1]_q} - \sqrt{[k+2]_q} \right) \\ &= q^{k+1} - \frac{q^{k+1} q^{\frac{k}{2}}}{\sqrt{[k+1]_q} - \sqrt{[k+2]_q}} \\ &= q^{k+1} \left( 1 - \frac{q^{\frac{k}{2}}}{\sqrt{[k+1]_q} - \sqrt{[k+2]_q}} \right) \\ &\geq q^{k+1} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{[k+1]_q} - \sqrt{[k+2]_q}} \right) \\ &> 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we get that  $[j+1]_q > [k+1]_q - \sqrt{q^k[k+1]_q} > [3j+1]_q - \sqrt{q^{3j}[3j+1]_q}$  which implies the obvious contradiction  $[3j+1]_q - [j+1]_q < \sqrt{q^{3j}[3j+1]_q}$  is to equivalent  $q^{j+1}[2j]_q < \sqrt{q^{3j}[3j+1]_q}$ .

As a result, we achieve

$$\begin{aligned} M_{k,n,j}(x, q) &\leq \frac{\sqrt{[k+1]_q}}{[n]_q} \leq \frac{\sqrt{[3j+1]_q}}{[n]_q} \\ &\leq \frac{\sqrt{[4j]_q}}{[n]_q} = \sqrt{(1+q^j)(1+q^{2j})} \frac{\sqrt{[j]_q}}{[n]_q} \\ &\leq \sqrt{(1+q^j)(1+q^{2j})} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \leq 2 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}, \end{aligned}$$

taking into account that  $\sqrt{x} \geq \frac{\sqrt{[j]_q}}{[n]_q}$ .

Subcase b) We suppose that  $k \geq j+1$  and  $[k+1]_q - \sqrt{q^k[k+1]_q} \geq [j+1]_q$ . Since, the function  $g(k) = [k+1]_q - \sqrt{q^k[k+1]_q}$  is increasing with respect to  $k$ , it follows that there exists  $\bar{k} \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ , of maximum value, such that

$$[\bar{k}+1]_q - \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}}[\bar{k}+1]_q} < [j+1]_q.$$

Let  $\tilde{k} = \bar{k} + 1$ . Then for all  $k \geq \tilde{k}$  we have

$$[k+1]_q - \sqrt{q^k[k+1]_q} \geq [j+1]_q$$

and

$$M_{\tilde{k},n,j}(x, q) = m_{\tilde{k},n,j}(x, q) \left( \frac{[\tilde{k}]_q}{[n]_q} - x \right) \leq \frac{[\tilde{k}+1]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}.$$

Since

$$[j]_q \geq [\bar{k}+1]_q - q^j - \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}}[\bar{k}+1]_q},$$

we can see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{\bar{k},n,j}(x,q) &\leq \frac{[\bar{k}+1]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[\bar{k}+1]_q - q^j - \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}}[\bar{k}+1]_q}}{[n]_q} \\
 &= \frac{q^j + \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}}[\bar{k}+1]_q}}{[n]_q} \\
 &\leq \frac{1 + \sqrt{[\bar{k}+1]_q}}{[n]_q} \leq \frac{2\sqrt{[\bar{k}+1]_q}}{[n]_q} \\
 &\leq 4 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The last above inequality follows from the fact that

$$[\bar{k}+1]_q - \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}}[\bar{k}+1]_q} < [j+1]_q,$$

necessarily implies  $\bar{k} \leq 3j$  (see the similar reasoning in the above Subcase a)). Also, we get  $\tilde{k} \geq j+1$ . Indeed, this is a consequence of the fact that  $g$  is increasing function and because it is easy to see that  $g(j) \leq [j+1]_q$ .

By Lemma 3.2, (i) it follows that

$$M_{\bar{k}+1,n,j}(x,q) \geq M_{\bar{k}+2,n,j}(x,q) \geq \dots$$

So, we achieve  $M_{k,n,j}(x,q) \leq 4 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}$  for any  $k \in \{\bar{k}+1, \bar{k}+2, \dots\}$ .

*Case 3) Subcase a)* We suppose that  $k \leq j-1$  and  $[k]_q + \sqrt{q^{k-1}[k]_q} \geq [j]_q$ . We have from Lemma 3.1 that

$$M_{k,n,j}(x,q) = m_{k,n,j}(x,q) \left( x - \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} \right) \leq \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} = \frac{[j]_q + q^j}{[n]_q} - \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q}$$

By hypothesis, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{k,n,j}(x,q) &\leq \frac{[k]_q + \sqrt{q^{k-1}[k]_q} + q^j}{[n]_q} - \frac{[k]_q}{[n]_q} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{q^{k-1}[k]_q} + q^j}{[n]_q} \leq \frac{\sqrt{[k]_q} + 1}{[n]_q} \\
 &\leq \frac{\sqrt{[j-1]_q} + 1}{[n]_q} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \frac{\sqrt{[j-1]_q} + 1}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \frac{2\sqrt{[j]_q}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \leq 2 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Subcase b)* We suppose that  $k \leq j-1$  and  $[k]_q + \sqrt{q^{k-1}[k]_q} < [j]_q$ . Let  $\bar{k} \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  be the minimum value such that  $[\bar{k}]_q + \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}-1}[\bar{k}]_q} \geq [j]_q$ . Then  $\tilde{k} = \bar{k} - 1$  satisfies  $[\bar{k}-1]_q + \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}-2}[\bar{k}-1]_q} < [j]_q$ . Also we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{\bar{k}-1,n,j}(x,q) &= m_{\bar{k}-1,n,j}(x,q) \left( x - \frac{[\bar{k}-1]_q}{[n]_q} \right) \leq \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q} - \frac{[\bar{k}-1]_q}{[n]_q} \\
 &= \frac{[j]_q + q^j}{[n]_q} - \frac{[\bar{k}-1]_q}{[n]_q}.
 \end{aligned}$$



Since  $[\bar{k}]_q + \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}-1}[\bar{k}]_q} \geq [j]_q$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\bar{k}-1,n,j}(x,q) &\leq \frac{[\bar{k}]_q + \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}-1}[\bar{k}]_q} + q^j}{[n]_q} - \frac{[\bar{k}-1]_q}{[n]_q} \\ &= \frac{q^{\bar{k}-1} + \sqrt{q^{\bar{k}-1}[\bar{k}]_q} + q^j}{[n]_q} \leq \frac{2 + \sqrt{[\bar{k}]_q}}{[n]_q} \\ &\leq 3 \frac{\sqrt{[j]_q}}{[n]_q} \leq 3 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 3.2, (ii) it follows that

$$M_{\bar{k}-1,n,j}(x,q) \geq M_{\bar{k}-2,n,j}(x,q) \geq \dots \geq M_{0,n,j}(x,q).$$

So, we achieve  $M_{k,n,j}(x,q) \leq \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}}$  for any  $k \leq j-1$  and  $x \in \left[\frac{[j]_q}{[n]_q}, \frac{[j+1]_q}{[n]_q}\right]$ .

Collecting all the above estimates we have (4.3), which completes the proof of Theorem 4.1. □

### 5. A-Statistical Approximation

In this section, we will give an A-statistical approximation theorem for the (2.1) operators. Firstly, we have to replace a fixed  $q \in (0, 1)$  consider in the previous sections with an appropriate sequence  $(q_n)$  whose terms are in the interval  $(0, 1)$ . This idea was first used by Philips [2] for the  $q$ -Bernstein polynomials.

Let  $(q_n)$  is a real sequence satisfying the following conditions,

$$0 < q_n < 1 \quad \text{for every } n \in \mathbb{N}, \tag{5.1}$$

$$st_A - \lim_n q_n = 1 \tag{5.2}$$

and

$$st_A - \lim_n q_n^n = 1. \tag{5.3}$$

Note that the notations in (5.2) and (5.3) denote the A-statistical limit of  $(q_n)$  where  $A = [a_{jn}]$ ,  $(j, n \in \mathbb{N})$  is an infinite non-negative regular summability matrix, i.e.,  $a_{jn} \geq 0$  for every  $j, n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lim_j \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{jn}x_n = L$  provided that, for a given sequence  $(x_n)$ , we say that  $(x_n)$  is A-statistically convergent to a number  $L$  if, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\lim_j \sum_{n:|x_n-L| \geq \varepsilon} a_{jn}x_n = 0$  (see [17]). We should remark that this method of convergence generalizes both the classical convergence and the concept of statistical convergence which first introduced by Fast [18]. We give the following A-statistical approximation theorem.

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $A = [a_{nj}]$  be a non-negative regular summability matrix and  $(q_n)$  be a sequence satisfying (5.1)-(5.3). Then for every  $f \in C_+[0, \infty)$  we have*

$$st_A - \lim_n \left( \sup_{x \in [0, \infty)} \left| F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x) - f(x) \right| \right) = 0. \tag{5.4}$$

*Proof.* Let  $f \in C_+[0, \infty)$ . Replacing  $q$  with  $(q_n)$ , taking supremum over  $x \in [0, \infty)$  and using the monotonicity of the modulus of continuity, we achieve from Theorem 4.1 that

$$E_n := \sup_{x \in [0, \infty)} \left| F_{n,q}^{(M)}(f)(x) - f(x) \right| \leq 8\omega_1 \left( f; \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \right), \tag{5.5}$$

holds for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, let we prove

$$st_A - \lim_n E_n = 0.$$

From (5.1)-(5.3), we get

$$st_A - \lim_n \frac{1}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} = 0.$$

So we can write

$$st_A - \lim_n \omega_1 \left( f; \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{[n]_q}} \right) = 0. \quad (5.6)$$

So, the proof of Theorem 5.1 follows from (5.1)-(5.6) immediately.  $\square$

We should note that the  $A$ -statistical approximation result in Theorem 5.1 includes the classical approximation by choosing  $A = I$  the identity matrix.

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