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# $q$ -Parametric Bleimann Butzer and Hahn Operators

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We introduce a new  $q$ -parametric generalization of Bleimann, Butzer, and Hahn operators in  $C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty)$ . We study some properties of  $q$ -BBH operators and establish the rate of convergence for  $q$ -BBH operators. We discuss Voronovskaja-type theorem and saturation of convergence for  $q$ -BBH operators for arbitrary fixed  $0 < q < 1$ . We give explicit formulas of Voronovskaja-type for the  $q$ -BBH operators for  $0 < q < 1$ . Also, we study convergence of the derivative of  $q$ -BBH operators.

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## 1. Introduction

$q$ -Bernstein polynomials

$$B_{n,q}(f)(x) := \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{[k]}{[n]}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x) \quad (1.1)$$

were introduced by Phillips in [1].  $q$ -Bernstein polynomials form an area of an intensive research in the approximation theory, see survey paper [2] and references therein. Nowadays, there are new studies on the  $q$ -parametric operators. Two parametric generalizations of  $q$ -Bernstein polynomials have been considered by Lewanowicz and Woźny (cf. [3]), an analog of the Bernstein-Durrmeyer operator and Bernstein-Chlodowsky operator related to the  $q$ -Bernstein basis has been studied by Derriennic [4], Gupta [5] and Karsli and Gupta [6], respectively, a  $q$ -version of the Szasz-Mirakjan operator has been investigated by Aral and Gupta in [7]. Also, some results on  $q$ -parametric Meyer-König and Zeller operators can be found in [8–11].

In [12], Bleimann et al. introduced the following operators:

$$H_n(f)(x) = \frac{1}{(1+x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n-k+1}\right) \binom{n}{k} x^k, \quad x > 0, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (1.2)$$

There are several studies related to approximation properties of Bleimann, Butzer, and Hahn operators (or, briefly, BBH), see, for example, [12–18]. Recently, Aral and Dođru [19] introduced a  $q$ -analog of Bleimann, Butzer, and Hahn operators and they have established some approximation properties of their  $q$ -Bleimann, Butzer, and Hahn operators in the subspace of  $C_B[0, \infty)$ . Also, they showed that these operators are more flexible than classical BBH operators, that is, depending on the selection of  $q$ , rate of convergence of the  $q$ -BBH operators is better than the classical one. Voronovskaja-type asymptotic estimate and the monotonicity properties for  $q$ -BBH operators are studied in [20].

In this paper, we propose a different  $q$ -analog of the Bleimann, Butzer, and Hahn operators in  $C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty)$ . We use the connection between classical BBH and Bernstein operators suggested in [16] to define new  $q$ -BBH operators as follows:

$$H_{n,q}(f)(x) := (\Phi^{-1}B_{n+1,q}\Phi)(f)(x), \quad (1.3)$$

where  $B_{n+1,q}$  is a  $q$ -Bernstein operator,  $\Phi$  and  $\Phi^{-1}$  will be defined later. Thanks to (1.3), different properties of  $B_{n+1,q}$  can be transferred to  $H_{n,q}$  with a little extra effort. Thus the limiting behavior of  $H_{n,q}$  can be immediately derived from (1.3) and the well-known properties of  $B_{n+1,q}$ . It is natural that even in the classical case, when  $q = 1$ , to define  $H_n$  in the space  $C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty)$ , the limit  $l_f$  of  $f(x)/(1+x)$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  has to appear in the definition of  $H_n$ . Thus in  $C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty)$  the classical BBH operator has to be modified as follows:

$$H_n(f)(x) = \frac{1}{(1+x)^n} \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n-k+1}\right) \binom{n}{k} x^k + l_f \frac{x^{n+1}}{(1+x)^n}, \quad x > 0, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (1.4)$$

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we give construction of  $q$ -BBH operators and study some elementary properties. In Section 3, we investigate convergence properties of  $q$ -BBH, Voronovskaja-type theorem and saturation of convergence for  $q$ -BBH operators for arbitrary fixed  $0 < q < 1$ , and also we study convergence of the derivative of  $q$ -BBH operators.

## 2. Construction and some properties of $q$ -BBH operators

Before introducing the operators, we mention some basic definitions of  $q$  calculus.

Let  $q > 0$ . For any  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , the  $q$ -integer  $[n] = [n]_q$  is defined by

$$[n] := 1 + q + \cdots + q^{n-1}, \quad [0] := 0; \quad (2.1)$$

and the  $q$ -factorial  $[n]! = [n]_q!$  by

$$[n]! := [1][2] \cdots [n], \quad [0]! := 1. \quad (2.2)$$

For integers  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , the  $q$ -binomial is defined by

$$\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} := \frac{[n]!}{[k]![n-k]!}. \quad (2.3)$$

Also, we use the following standard notations:

$$\begin{aligned} (z; q)_0 &:= 1, & (z; q)_n &:= \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} (1 - q^j z), & (z; q)_\infty &:= \prod_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^j z), \\ p_{n,k}(q; x) &:= \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} x^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k-1} (1 - q^s x), & p_{\infty,k}(q; x) &:= \frac{x^k}{(1-q)^k [k]!} \prod_{s=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^s x). \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

It is agreed that an empty product denotes 1. It is clear that  $p_{nk}(q; x) \geq 0$ ,  $p_{\infty k}(q; x) \geq 0 \forall x \in [0, 1]$  and

$$\sum_{k=0}^n p_{nk}(q; x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_{\infty k}(q; x) = 1. \quad (2.5)$$

Introduce the following spaces.

$$\begin{aligned} B_{\rho}[0, \infty) &= \{f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \exists M_f > 0 \text{ such that } |f(x)| \leq M_f \rho(x) \forall x \in [0, \infty)\}, \\ C_{\rho}[0, \infty) &= \{f \in B_{\rho}[0, \infty) \mid f \text{ is continuous}\}, \\ C_{\rho}^*[0, \infty) &= \left\{f \in C_{\rho}[0, \infty) \mid \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{\rho(x)} = l_f \text{ exists and is finite}\right\}, \\ C_{\rho}^0[0, \infty) &= \left\{f \in C_{\rho}[0, \infty) \mid \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{\rho(x)} = 0\right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

It is clear that  $C_{\rho}^*[0, \infty) \subset C_{\rho}[0, \infty) \subset B_{\rho}[0, \infty)$ . In each space, the norm is defined by

$$\|f\|_{\rho} = \sup_{x \geq 0} \frac{|f(x)|}{\rho(x)}. \quad (2.7)$$

We introduce the following auxiliary operators. Firstly, let us denote

$$\psi(y) = \frac{y}{1-y}, \quad y \in [0, 1), \quad \psi^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}, \quad x \in [0, \infty). \quad (2.8)$$

Secondly, let  $\Phi : C_{\rho}^*[0, \infty) \rightarrow C[0, 1]$  be defined by

$$\Phi(f)(y) := \begin{cases} \frac{f(\psi(y))}{\rho(\psi(y))}, & \text{if } y \in [0, 1), \\ l_f = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{\rho(x)}, & \text{if } y = 1. \end{cases} \quad (2.9)$$

Then  $\Phi$  is a positive linear isomorphism, with positive inverse  $\Phi^{-1} : C[0, 1] \rightarrow C_{\rho}^*[0, \infty)$  defined by

$$\Phi^{-1}(g)(x) = \rho(x)g(\psi^{-1}(x)), \quad g \in C[0, 1], \quad x \in [0, \infty). \quad (2.10)$$

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

$$\omega(f; t) := \sup\{|f(x) - f(y)| : |x - y| \leq t, \quad x, y \in [0, 1]\}. \quad (2.11)$$

We introduce new Bleimann-, Butzer-, and Hahn- (BBH) type operators based on  $q$ -integers as follows.

*Definition 2.1.* For  $f \in C_{\rho}^*[0, \infty)$ , the  $q$ -Bleimann, Butzer, and Hahn operators are given by

$$\begin{aligned} H_{n,q}(f)(x) &:= (\Phi^{-1}B_{n+1,q}\Phi)(f)(x) \\ &= \rho(x) \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f(\psi([k]/[n+1]))}{\rho(\psi([k]/[n+1]))} p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) + l_f \rho(x) (\psi^{-1}(x))^{n+1}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.12)$$

where

$$p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) := \binom{n+1}{k} (\psi^{-1}(x))^k \prod_{s=0}^{n-k} (1 - q^s \psi^{-1}(x)), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n. \quad (2.13)$$

Note that for  $q = 1$ ,  $\rho = 1 + x$  and  $l_f = 0$ , we recover the classical Bleimann, Butzer, and Hahn operators. If  $q = 1$ ,  $\rho = 1 + x$  but  $l_f \neq 0$ , it is new Bleimann, Butzer, and Hahn operators with additional term  $l_f(x^{n+1}/(1+x)^n)$ . Thus if  $f \in C_{1+x}^0[0, \infty)$  then

$$H_{n,q}(f)(x) := \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+1]}\right) \binom{[n]}{[k]} \left(\frac{qx}{1+x}\right)^k \prod_{s=1}^{n-k} \left(1 - q^s \frac{x}{1+x}\right). \quad (2.14)$$

To present an explicit form of the limit  $q$ -BBH operators, we consider

$$p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) := \frac{(\psi^{-1}(x))^k}{(1-q)^k [k]!} \prod_{s=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^s \psi^{-1}(x)). \quad (2.15)$$

*Definition 2.2.* Let  $0 < q < 1$ . The linear operator defined on  $C_\rho^*[0, \infty)$  given by

$$H_{\infty,q}(f)(x) := \rho(x) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f(\psi(1-q^k))}{\rho(\psi(1-q^k))} p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) \quad (2.16)$$

is called the limit  $q$ -BBH operator.

**Lemma 2.3.**  $H_{n,q}, H_{\infty,q} : C_\rho^*[0, \infty) \rightarrow C_\rho^*[0, \infty)$  are linear positive operators and

$$\|H_{n,q}(f)\|_\rho \leq \|f\|_{\rho'}, \quad \|H_{\infty,q}(f)\|_\rho \leq \|f\|_\rho. \quad (2.17)$$

*Proof.* We prove the first inequality, since the second one can be done in a like manner. Thanks to the definition, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |H_{n,q}(f)(x)| &\leq \rho(x) \|f\|_{\rho'} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) + \rho(x) |l_f| (\psi^{-1}(x))^{n+1} \\ &\leq \rho(x) \|f\|_{\rho'} \sum_{k=0}^n p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) + \rho(x) \|f\|_{\rho'} (\psi^{-1}(x))^{n+1} \\ &= \rho(x) \|f\|_{\rho'} \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) = \rho(x) \|f\|_{\rho'}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.18)$$

□

**Lemma 2.4.** The following recurrence formula holds:

$$H_{n,q}\left(\rho(t) \left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^m\right)(x) = \frac{1}{[n+1]^{m-1}} \frac{x}{1+x} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \binom{m-1}{j} q^j [n]^j H_{n-1,q}\left(\rho(t) \left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^j\right)(x). \quad (2.19)$$

In particular, we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_{n,q}(\rho)(x) &= \rho(x), \quad H_{n,q}\left(\rho(t) \frac{t}{1+t}\right)(x) = \rho(x) \frac{x}{1+x}, \quad H_{n,q}(1)(x) = 1, \\ H_{n,q}\left(\rho(t) \left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^2\right)(x) &= \rho(x) \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^2 + \rho(x) \frac{x}{(1+x)^2} \frac{1}{[n+1]}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.20)$$

*Proof.* We prove only the recurrence formula, since the formulae (2.20) can easily be obtained by standard computations. Since  $l_f = 1$  for  $f = \rho(t)(t/(1+t))^m$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& H_{n,q}\left(\rho(t)\left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^m\right)(x) \\
&= \rho(x)\sum_{k=0}^n\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right)^m p_{n+1,k}\left(q;\psi^{-1}(x)\right) + \rho(x)\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} \\
&= \rho(x)\sum_{k=0}^n\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right)^m \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix} \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{k-n-k} \prod_{s=0}^{k-n-k} \left(1 - q^s \frac{x}{1+x}\right) + \rho(x)\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} \\
&= \rho(x)\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{[k]^{m-1}}{[n+1]^{m-1}} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix} \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{k-n-k} \prod_{s=0}^{k-n-k} \left(1 - q^s \frac{x}{1+x}\right) + \rho(x)\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} \\
&= \rho(x)\sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \binom{m-1}{j} \frac{q^j [k-1]^j}{[n+1]^{m-1}} \\
&\quad \times \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix} \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{k-n-k} \prod_{s=0}^{k-n-k} \left(1 - q^s \frac{x}{1+x}\right) + \rho(x)\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} \tag{2.21} \\
&= \frac{1}{[n+1]^{m-1}} \frac{x}{1+x} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \binom{m-1}{j} q^j [n]^j \\
&\quad \times \left[ H_{n-1,q}\left(\rho(t)\left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^j\right)(x) - \rho(x)\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^n \right] + \rho(x)\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} \\
&= \frac{1}{[n+1]^{m-1}} \frac{x}{1+x} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \binom{m-1}{j} q^j [n]^j H_{n-1,q}\left(\rho(t)\left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^j\right)(x) \\
&\quad + \rho(x)\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{[n+1]^{m-1}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \binom{m-1}{j} q^j [n]^j \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{[n+1]^{m-1}} \frac{x}{1+x} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \binom{m-1}{j} q^j [n]^j H_{n-1,q}\left(\rho(t)\left(\frac{t}{1+t}\right)^j\right)(x).
\end{aligned}$$

□

Next theorem shows the monotonicity properties of  $q$ -BBH operators.

**Theorem 2.5.** *If  $f \in C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty)$  is convex and*

$$l_f + \left[ f\left(\frac{[n]}{q^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}}\right) \right] q^{n+1} \geq 0, \tag{2.22}$$

*then its  $q$ -BBH operators are nonincreasing, in the sense that*

$$H_{n,q}(f)(x) \geq H_{n+1,q}(f)(x), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, \quad q \in (0, 1], \quad x \in [0, \infty). \tag{2.23}$$

*Proof.* We begin by writing

$$\begin{aligned} & H_{n,q}(f)(x) - H_{n+1,q}(f)(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+1]}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} \left(\frac{qx}{1+x}\right) \prod_{s=1}^{k-n-k} \left(1 - q^s \frac{x}{1+x}\right) \\ &\quad - \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} f\left(\frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+2]}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix} \left(\frac{qx}{1+x}\right) \prod_{s=1}^{kn-k+1} \left(1 - q^s \frac{x}{1+x}\right) + l_f \frac{x^{n+1}}{(1+x)^{n+1}}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.24)$$

We now split the first of the above summations into two, writing

$$\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^k \prod_{s=1}^{k-n-k} \left(1 - q^s \frac{x}{1+x}\right) = \psi_k + q^{n-k+1} \psi_{k+1}, \quad (2.25)$$

where

$$\psi_k = \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{kn-k+1} \prod_{s=1}^{kn-k+1} \left(1 - q^s \frac{x}{1+x}\right). \quad (2.26)$$

The resulting three summations may be combined to give

$$\begin{aligned} & H_{n,q}(f)(x) - H_{n+1,q}(f)(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+1]}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} q^k (\psi_k + q^{n-k+1} \psi_{k+1}) \\ &\quad - \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} f\left(\frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+2]}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix} q^k \psi_k + l_f \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+1]}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} q^k \psi_k + \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} f\left(\frac{[k-1]}{q^{k-1}[n-k+2]}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix} q^{n+1} \psi_k \\ &\quad - \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} f\left(\frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+2]}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix} q^k \psi_k + l_f \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix} a_k q^k \psi_k + \left[ f\left(\frac{[n]}{q^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}}\right) \right] q^{n+1} \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} + l_f \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.27)$$

where

$$a_k = \frac{[n-k+1]}{[n+1]} f\left(\frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+1]}\right) + \frac{q^{n-k+1}[k]}{[n+1]} f\left(\frac{[k-1]}{q^{k-1}[n-k+2]}\right) - f\left(\frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+2]}\right). \quad (2.28)$$

By assumption, the sum of the last three terms of (2.27) is positive. Thus to show monotonicity of  $H_{n,q}$  it suffices to show nonnegativity of  $a_k$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq n$ . Let us write

$$\alpha = \frac{[n-k+1]}{[n+1]}, \quad x_1 = \frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+1]}, \quad x_2 = \frac{[k-1]}{q^k[n-k+2]}. \quad (2.29)$$

Then it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
1 - \alpha &= \frac{q^{n-k+1}[k]}{[n+1]}, \\
\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2 &= \frac{[k]}{q^k[n+1]} \left( 1 + \frac{q^{n-k+2}[k-1]}{[n-k+2]} \right) \\
&= \frac{[k]}{q^k[n+1]} \left( \frac{1 - q^{n-k+2} + q^{n-k+2}(1 - q^{k-1})}{1 - q^{n-k+2}} \right) = \frac{[k]}{q^k[n-k+2]},
\end{aligned} \tag{2.30}$$

and we see immediately that

$$a_k = \alpha f(x_1) + (1 - \alpha)f(x_2) - f(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2) \geq 0, \tag{2.31}$$

and so  $H_{n,q}(f)(x) - H_{n+1,q}(f)(x) \geq 0$ .  $\square$

*Remark 2.6.* It is easily seen that

$$\begin{aligned}
l_f + \left[ f\left(\frac{[n]}{q^n}\right) - f\left(\frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}}\right) \right] q^{n+1} \\
= [n+2] \left( \frac{1}{[n+2]} (\Phi f)(1) + \frac{q[n+1]}{[n+2]} (\Phi f)\left(\frac{[n]}{[n+1]}\right) - (\Phi f)\left(\frac{[n+1]}{[n+2]}\right) \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.32}$$

The condition (2.22) follows from convexity of  $\Phi f$ . On the other hand,  $\Phi f$  is convex if  $f$  is convex and nonincreasing, see [16].

### 3. Convergence properties

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $q \in (0, 1)$ , and let  $f \in C_\rho^*[0, \infty)$ . Then*

$$\|H_{n,q}(f) - H_{\infty,q}(f)\|_\rho \leq C(q)\omega(\Phi f, q^{n+1}), \tag{3.1}$$

where  $C(q) = (4/q(1-q)) \ln(1/(1-q)) + 2$ .

*Proof.* For all  $x \in [0, \infty)$ , by the definitions of  $H_{n,q}(f)(x)$  and  $H_{\infty,q}(f)(x)$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{n,q}(f) - H_{\infty,q}(f) &= \rho(x) \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f(\psi([k]/[n+1]))}{\rho(\psi([k]/[n+1]))} p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) \\
&\quad + l_f \rho(x) \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right)^{n+1} - \rho(x) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{f(\psi(1-q^k))}{\rho(\psi(1-q^k))} p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) \\
&= \rho(x) \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \left[ (\Phi f)\left(\frac{[k]}{[n+1]}\right) - (\Phi f)(1 - q^k) \right] p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) \\
&\quad + \rho(x) \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} [(\Phi f)(1 - q^k) - (\Phi f)(1)] (p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) - p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x))) \\
&\quad - \rho(x) \sum_{k=n+2}^{\infty} [(\Phi f)(1 - q^k) - (\Phi f)(1)] p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) \\
&:= I_1 + I_2 + I_3.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

First, we estimate  $I_1$ ,  $I_3$ . By using the following inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{[k]}{[n+1]} - (1 - q^k) = \frac{1 - q^k}{1 - q^{n+1}} - (1 - q^k) = \frac{q^{n+1}(1 - q^k)}{1 - q^{n+1}} \leq q^{n+1}, \\ 0 &\leq 1 - (1 - q^k) = q^k \leq q^{n+1}, \quad k \geq n+2, \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} |I_1| &\leq \rho(x)\omega(\Phi f, q^{n+1}) \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) = \rho(x)\omega(\Phi f, q^{n+1}), \\ |I_3| &\leq \rho(x) \sum_{k=n+2}^{\infty} \omega(\Phi f, q^k) p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) \leq \rho(x)\omega(\Phi f, q^{n+1}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Next, we estimate  $I_2$ . Using the well-known property of modulus of continuity

$$\omega(g, \lambda t) \leq (1 + \lambda)\omega(g, t), \quad \lambda > 0, \quad (3.5)$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} |I_2| &\leq \rho(x) \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \omega(\Phi f, q^k) |p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) - p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x))| \\ &\leq \rho(x)\omega(\Phi f, q^{n+1}) \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} (1 + q^{k-n-1}) |p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) - p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x))| \\ &\leq 2\rho(x)\omega(\Phi f, q^{n+1}) \frac{1}{q^{n+1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} q^k |p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) - p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x))| \\ &=: \rho(x) \frac{2}{q^{n+1}} \omega(\Phi f, q^{n+1}) J_{n+1}(\psi^{-1}(x)), \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

where

$$J_{n+1}(\psi^{-1}(x)) = \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} q^k |p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) - p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x))|. \quad (3.7)$$

Now, using the estimation (2.9) from [21], we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_{n+1}(\psi^{-1}(x)) &\leq \frac{q^{n+1}}{q(1-q)} \ln \frac{1}{1-q} \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} (p_{n+1,k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x)) + p_{\infty k}(q; \psi^{-1}(x))) \\ &\leq \frac{2q^{n+1}}{q(1-q)} \ln \frac{1}{1-q}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

From (3.6) and (3.8), it follows that

$$|I_2| \leq \rho(x) \frac{4}{q(1-q)} \ln \frac{1}{1-q} \omega(\Phi f, q^{n+1}). \quad (3.9)$$

From (3.4), and (3.9), we obtain the desired estimation.  $\square$



**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $0 < q < 1$  be fixed and let  $f \in C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty)$ . Then  $H_{\infty,q}(f)(x) = f(x) \forall x \in [0, \infty)$  if and only if  $f$  is linear.

*Proof.* By definition of  $H_{\infty,q}$  we have

$$H_{\infty,q}(f)(x) = (\Phi^{-1}B_{\infty,q}\Phi)(f)(x). \quad (3.10)$$

Assume that  $H_{\infty,q}(f)(x) = f(x)$ . Then  $(B_{\infty,q}\Phi)(f)(x) = (\Phi f)(x)$ . From [22], we know that  $B_{\infty,q}(g) = g$  if and only if  $g$  is linear. So  $(B_{\infty,q}\Phi)(f)(x) = (\Phi f)(x)$  if and only if  $(\Phi f)(x) = (1-x)f(x/(1-x)) = Ax + B$ . It follows that  $f(x) = (1+x)(A(x/(1+x)) + B) = (A+B)x + B$ . The converse can be shown in a similar way.  $\square$

*Remark 3.3.* Let  $0 < q < 1$  be fixed and let  $f \in C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty)$ . Then the sequence  $\{H_{n,q}(f)(x)\}$  does not approximate  $f(x)$  unless  $f$  is linear. It is completely in contrast to the classical case.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $q = q_n$  satisfies  $0 < q_n < 1$  and let  $q_n \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . For any  $x \in [0, \infty)$  and for any  $f \in C_p^*[0, \infty)$ , the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{1}{\rho(x)} |H_{n,q_n}(f)(x) - f(x)| \leq 2\omega\left(\Phi f, \sqrt{\lambda_n(x)}\right), \quad (3.11)$$

where  $\lambda_n(x) = (x/(1+x)^2)(1/[n+1]_{q_n})$ .

*Proof.* Positivity of  $B_{n+1,q_n}$  implies that for any  $g \in C[0, 1]$

$$|B_{n+1,q_n}(g)(x) - g(x)| \leq B_{n+1,q_n}(|g(t) - g(x)|)(x). \quad (3.12)$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} |(\Phi f)(t) - (\Phi f)(x)| &\leq \omega(\Phi f, |t-x|) \\ &\leq \omega(\Phi f, \delta) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\delta}|t-x|\right), \quad \delta > 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

This inequality and (3.12) imply that

$$\begin{aligned} |B_{n+1,q_n}(\Phi f)(x) - (\Phi f)(x)| &\leq \omega(\Phi f, \delta) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\delta}B_{n+1,q_n}(|t-x|)(x)\right), \\ |(\Phi^{-1}B_{n+1,q_n}\Phi)(f)(x) - (\Phi^{-1}\Phi f)(x)| &\leq \omega(\Phi f, \delta) \left(\Phi^{-1}(1) + \frac{1}{\delta}\Phi^{-1}B_{n+1,q_n}(|t-x|)(x)\right) \\ &\leq \rho(x)\omega(\Phi f, \delta) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\delta}(B_{n+1,q_n}(|t-\psi^{-1}(x)|^2)(\psi^{-1}(x)))^{1/2}\right) \\ &= \rho(x)\omega(\Phi f, \delta) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\delta} \left(\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^2 + \frac{x}{(1+x)^2} \frac{1}{[n+1]_{q_n}} - \left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^2\right)^{1/2}\right) \\ &= \rho(x)\omega(\Phi f, \delta) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\delta} \left(\frac{x}{(1+x)^2} \frac{1}{[n+1]_{q_n}}\right)^{1/2}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

by choosing  $\delta = \sqrt{\lambda_n(x)}$ , we obtain desired result.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $q = q_n$  satisfies  $0 < q_n < 1$  and let  $q_n \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . For any  $f \in C_\rho^*[0, \infty)$  it holds that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|H_{n,q_n}(f)(x) - f(x)\|_\rho = 0. \quad (3.15)$$

Next, we study Voronovskaja-type formulas for the  $q$ -BBH operators. For the  $q$ -Bernstein operators, it is proved in [23] that for any  $f \in C^1[0, 1]$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[n]}{q^n} [B_{n,q}(f)(x) - B_{\infty,q}(f)(x)] = L_q(f, x) \quad (3.16)$$

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

$$L_q(f, x) := \begin{cases} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [k] \left( f'(1 - q^k) - \frac{f(1 - q^k) - f(1 - q^{k-1})}{(1 - q^k) - (1 - q^{k-1})} \right) \frac{x^k}{(q; q)_k} (x; q)_\infty, & 0 \leq x < 1, \\ 0, & x = 1. \end{cases} \quad (3.17)$$

Similarly, we have the following Voronovskaja-type theorem for the  $q$ -BBH operators for fixed  $q \in (0, 1)$ . Before stating the theorem we introduce an analog of  $L_q(f, x)$  for  $q$ -BBH operators

$$\begin{aligned} V_q(f, x) &:= (\Phi^{-1}L_q\Phi)(f)(x) = \left( \frac{x}{1+x}, q \right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [k] \\ &\quad \times \left( f' \left( \frac{1 - q^k}{q^k} \right) \frac{1}{q^k} - f \left( \frac{1 - q^k}{q^k} \right) - \frac{q^k f((1 - q^k)/q^k) - q^{k-1} f((1 - q^{k-1})/q^{k-1})}{(1 - q^k) - (1 - q^{k-1})} \right) \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{(q; q)_k} \frac{x^k}{(1+x)^{k-1}} \\ &= \left( \frac{x}{1+x}; q \right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [k] \left( f' \left( \frac{1 - q^k}{q^k} \right) \frac{1}{q^k} - q^{k-1} \frac{f((1 - q^k)/q^k) - f((1 - q^{k-1})/q^{k-1})}{q^{k-1} - q^k} \right) \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{(q; q)_k} \frac{x^k}{(1+x)^{k-1}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $0 < q < 1$ ,  $f \in C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty) \cap C^1[0, \infty)$ , and  $\Phi f$  is differentiable at  $x = 1$ . Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}} [H_{n,q}(f)(x) - H_{\infty,q}(f)(x)] = V_q(f, x), \quad (3.19)$$

in  $C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty)$ .

*Proof.* We estimate the difference

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(x) &:= \left| \frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}} (H_{n,q}(f)(x) - H_{\infty,q}(f)(x)) - V_q(f, x) \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}} ((\Phi^{-1}B_{n+1,q}\Phi)(f)(x) - (\Phi^{-1}B_{\infty,q}\Phi)(f)(x)) - (\Phi^{-1}L_q\Phi)(f)(x) \right| \\ &= \left| \left( \Phi^{-1} \left[ \frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}} (B_{n+1,q} - B_{\infty,q}) - L_q \right] \Phi \right) (f)(x) \right| \\ &= (1+x) \left| \left[ \frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}} (B_{n+1,q} - B_{\infty,q}) - L_q \right] (\Phi f)(\psi^{-1}(x)) \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

Since  $\Phi f$  is well defined on whole  $[0, 1]$ , from [23, Theorem 1], we get that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\Delta\|_{1+x} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{0 \leq u \leq 1} \left| \left[ \frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}} (B_{n+1,q} - B_{\infty,q}) - L_q \right] (\Phi f)(u) \right| = 0. \quad (3.21)$$

Theorem is proved.  $\square$

*Remark 3.7.* It is clear that  $\Phi f$  is differentiable in  $[0, 1)$  if  $f \in C^1[0, \infty)$ . If  $\Phi f$  is not differentiable at  $x = 1$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[n+1]}{q^{n+1}} [H_{n,q}(f)(x) - H_{\infty,q}(f)(x)] = V_q(f, x), \quad (3.22)$$

uniformly on any  $[0, A] \subset [0, \infty)$ .

**Theorem 3.8.** *If  $f \in C^2[0, \infty)$  and  $q_n \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n+1]_{q_n} \{H_{n,q_n}(f)(x) - f(x)\} = \frac{1}{2} f''(x)(1+x)^2 x \quad (3.23)$$

uniformly on any  $[0, A] \subset [0, \infty)$ .

*Proof.* By definition of  $H_{n,q_n}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} H_{n,q_n}(f)(x) - f(x) &= (\Phi^{-1} B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi)(f)(x) - (\Phi^{-1} \Phi f)(x) \\ &= (\Phi^{-1} [B_{n+1,q_n} - I] \Phi)(f)(x) \\ &= (1+x)([B_{n+1,q_n} - I] \Phi)(f)(\psi^{-1}(x)), \end{aligned} \quad (3.24)$$

and if  $L := (1/2)f''(x)(1-x)x$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} f''(x)(1+x)^2 x &= (\Phi^{-1} L \Phi)(f)(x) = (1+x)(L \Phi)(f)(\psi^{-1}(x)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1+x)(\Phi f)''(\psi^{-1}(x)) \psi^{-1}(x)(1-\psi^{-1}(x)). \end{aligned} \quad (3.25)$$

On the other hand, by [24, Corollary 5.2] we have that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{0 \leq u \leq 1} \left| [n+1]_{q_n} ([B_{n+1,q_n} - I] \Phi)(f)(u) - \frac{1}{2} (\Phi f)''(u) u(1-u) \right| = 0. \quad (3.26)$$

Now, the result follows from the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| [n+1]_{q_n} \{H_{n,q_n}(f)(x) - f(x)\} - \frac{1}{2} f''(x)(1+x)^2 x \right| \\ &= \left| (1+x)[n+1]_{q_n} ([B_{n+1,q_n} - I] \Phi)(f)(\psi^{-1}(x)) - (1+x) \frac{1}{2} (\Phi f)''(\psi^{-1}(x)) \psi^{-1}(x)(1-\psi^{-1}(x)) \right| \\ &\leq (1+A) \sup_{0 \leq u \leq A/(1+A)} \left| [n+1]_{q_n} ([B_{n+1,q_n} - I] \Phi)(f)(u) - \frac{1}{2} (\Phi f)''(u) u(1-u) \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.27)$$

The theorem is proved.  $\square$

From Theorem 3.6, we have the following saturation of convergence for the  $q$ -BBH operators for fixed  $q \in (0, 1)$ .

**Corollary 3.9.** *Let  $0 < q < 1$  and  $f \in C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty) \cap C^1[0, \infty)$ . Then*

$$\|H_{n,q}(f)(x) - H_{\infty,q}(f)(x)\|_{1+x} = o(q^{n+1}) \quad (3.28)$$

*if and only if  $V_q(f, x) \equiv 0$ , and this is equivalent to*

$$f' \left( \frac{1-q^k}{q^k} \right) \left( \frac{1}{q^k} - \frac{1}{q^{k-1}} \right) = f \left( \frac{1-q^k}{q^k} \right) - f \left( \frac{1-q^{k-1}}{q^{k-1}} \right), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (3.29)$$

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $0 < q < 1$  and  $f \in C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty) \cap C^1[0, \infty)$ . If  $f$  is a convex function, then  $\|H_{n,q}(f)(x) - H_{\infty,q}(f)(x)\|_{1+x} = o(q^{n+1})$  if and only if  $f$  is a linear function.*

*Proof.* If  $\|H_{n,q}(f) - H_{\infty,q}(f)\|_{1+x} = o(q^{n+1})$ , then by Corollary 3.9

$$f' \left( \frac{1-q^k}{q^k} \right) \frac{q^{k-1} - q^k}{q^{2k-1}} = f \left( \frac{1-q^k}{q^k} \right) - f \left( \frac{1-q^{k-1}}{q^{k-1}} \right), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (3.30)$$

Hence for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\int_{(1-q^{k-1})/q^{k-1}}^{(1-q^k)/q^k} \left( f' \left( \frac{1-q^k}{q^k} \right) - f'(t) \right) dt = 0. \quad (3.31)$$

Since  $f$  is convex and  $f'$  is continuous on  $[0, \infty)$ , we get  $f'(t) = f'((1-q^k)/q^k) \forall t \in [(1-q^{k-1})/q^{k-1}, (1-q^k)/q^k]$ . Hence  $f'(t) \equiv f'(0)$ , and therefore  $f(t) = At + B$ . Conversely, if  $f$  is linear, then  $\|H_{n,q}(f)(x) - H_{\infty,q}(f)(x)\|_{1+x} = 0$ .  $\square$

One of the remarkable properties of the  $q$ -Bernstein approximation is that derivatives of  $B_n(f)$  of any order converge to corresponding derivatives of  $f$ , see [25]. Next theorem shows the same property for  $H_{nq}$  for the first derivative.

**Theorem 3.11.** *Let  $f \in C_{1+x}^*[0, \infty) \cap C^1[0, \infty)$  and let  $\{q_n\}$  be a sequence chosen so that the sequence*

$$\varepsilon_n = \frac{n}{1 + q_n + q_n^2 + \dots + q_n^{n-1}} - 1 \quad (3.32)$$

*converges to zero from above faster than  $\{1/3^n\}$ . Then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [H_{n,q_n}(f)(x)]' = f'(x) \quad (3.33)$$

*uniformly on any  $[0, A] \subset [0, \infty)$ .*

*Proof.* By definition

$$H_{n,q_n}(f)(x) = (1+x)(B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right). \quad (3.34)$$

Since  $H_{n,q_n}(f)(x)$  is a composition of differentiable functions, it is differentiable at any  $x \in [0, A]$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} H_{n,q_n}(f)(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[ (1+x)(B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) \right] \\ &= (B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) + \frac{1}{1+x} \frac{d}{dx} (B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.35)$$

By [24, Theorem 4.1]

$$\left| (B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) - (\Phi f) \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) \right| \leq 2\omega \left( \Phi f, \sqrt{B_{n+1,q_n} \left( t - \frac{x}{1+x} \right)^2 \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right)} \right), \quad (3.36)$$

and by [25, Theorem 3]

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{0 \leq x \leq A} \left| \frac{d}{dx} (B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) - (\Phi f)' \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) \right| = 0. \quad (3.37)$$

Thus the desired limit follows from the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{d}{dx} H_{n,q_n}(f)(x) - \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{d}{dx} H_{n,q_n}(f)(x) - \frac{d}{dx} (1+x)(\Phi f) \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) \right| \\ &\leq \left| (B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) - (\Phi f) \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) \right| + \frac{1}{1+x} \left| \frac{d}{dx} (B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) - (\Phi f)' \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) \right| \\ &\leq 2\omega \left( \Phi f, \sqrt{B_{n+1,q_n} \left( t - \frac{x}{1+x} \right)^2 \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right)} \right) + \left| \frac{d}{dx} (B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) - (\Phi f)' \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) \right| \\ &= 2\omega \left( \Phi f, \sqrt{\frac{x}{(1+x)^2} \frac{1}{[n+1]_{q_n}}} \right) + \left| \frac{d}{dx} (B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) - (\Phi f)' \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) \right| \\ &\leq 2\omega \left( \Phi f, \sqrt{\frac{A}{[n+1]_{q_n}}} \right) + \left| \frac{d}{dx} (B_{n+1,q_n} \Phi) f \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) - (\Phi f)' \left( \frac{x}{1+x} \right) \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.38)$$

□

*Remark 3.12.* In [1], it is shown that

$$B_{n+1,q}(f)(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix} \Delta^k f_0 x^k, \quad (3.39)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} f_i &= f \left( \frac{[i]}{[n+1]} \right), \quad \Delta^0 f_i = f_i, \quad \Delta^{k+1} f_i = \Delta^k f_{i+1} - q^k \Delta^k f_i, \\ \Delta^k f_i &= \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j q^{j(j-1)/2} \begin{bmatrix} k \\ j \end{bmatrix} f \left( \frac{[i+k-j]}{[n+1]} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.40)$$

Immediately from the definition of  $H_{n,q}$ , we get an analog of (3.39) for  $H_{n,q}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} H_{n,q}(f)(x) &= (\Phi^{-1}B_{n+1,q}\Phi)(f)(x) \\ &= \Phi^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix} \Delta^k(\Phi f)_0 x^k \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix} \Delta^k(\Phi f)_0 \frac{x^k}{(1+x)^{k-1}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.41)$$

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