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## On Durrmeyer-type generalization of $(p, q)$ -Bernstein operators

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**Abstract** In this paper, we introduce  $(p, q)$ -Bernstein Durrmeyer operators. We define  $(p, q)$ -beta integral and use it to obtain the moments of the operators. We obtain uniform convergence of the operators by using Korovkin's theorem. We estimate direct results of the operators by means of modulus of continuity and Peetre  $K$ -functional. Finally, we find Voronovskaya-type theorem for the operators.

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### الملخص

في هذه الورقة نقدم مؤثرات بيرنشتاين- $(p, q)$  دورمير. نعرف تكامل  $(p, q)$ -بيتا ونستخدمه للحصول على المؤثرات. نحصل على تقارب منظم لـ $K$ -المؤثرات باستخدام مبرهنة كورويفكين. تقارب نتائج مباشرة للمؤثرات باستخدام معيار اتصال دوالى- $K$ -بيترى. في الختام، نحصل على مبرهنة من نوع فيبیونوفسکایا لـ $K$ -المؤثرات.

### 1 Introduction

In the last two decades, various mathematicians have introduced  $q$ -analogues of different discrete and continuous operators and investigated their approximation properties (for a detailed study, see [8]). One may refer to [11, 16] to study notation and details of quantum calculus.

We begin by recalling certain notations of  $(p, q)$ -calculus (for details see [9, 15, 22, 23]).

Let  $0 < q < p \leq 1$ . The  $(p, q)$ -integer  $[n]_{p,q}$  and  $(p, q)$ -factorial  $[n]_{p,q}!$  are defined by

$$[n]_{p,q} = \frac{p^n - q^n}{p - q} \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$
$$[n]_{p,q}! = \begin{cases} [1]_{p,q} [2]_{p,q} \cdots [n]_{p,q}, & n \geq 1 \\ 1, & n = 0 \end{cases}$$

For integers  $0 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $(p, q)$ -binomial is defined as

$$\left[ \begin{matrix} n \\ k \end{matrix} \right]_{p,q} = \frac{[n]_{p,q}!}{[k]_{p,q}! [n-k]_{p,q}!}.$$

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The  $(p, q)$ -polynomial expansion is

$$(x + y)_{p,q}^n = (x + y)(px + qy)(p^2x + q^2y) \cdots (p^{n-1}x + q^{n-1}y).$$

Let  $f : [0, a] \rightarrow R$ . Then  $(p, q)$ -integration of a function  $f$  is defined by,

$$\int_0^a f(x) d_{p,q}x = (p - q)a \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^k}{p^{k+1}} f\left(\frac{q^k}{p^{k+1}}a\right), \quad \text{when } \left|\frac{p}{q}\right| > 1.$$

In 2015, Mursaleen et al. [17–21] introduced  $(p, q)$ -Bernstein operators and its variant. Very recently, Acar [1] introduced  $(p, q)$ -analogue of Szasz–Mirakyan operators and after his construction Sharma, Gupta [25] introduced Kantrovich modifications of  $(p, q)$ -Szasz–Mirakyan operators.

For  $0 < q < p \leq 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $(p, q)$ -Bernstein operators are defined as:

$$B_n^{(p,q)}(f; x) = p^{-n(n-1)/2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) f\left(\frac{p^{-k}[k]_{p,q}}{[n]_{p,q}}\right),$$

where  $b_n^{(p,q)}(x)$  is basis of  $(p, q)$ -Bernstein given as

$$b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) = p^{k(k-1)/2} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{p,q} x^k (1-x)_{p,q}^{n-k}.$$

By using identity  $\sum_{k=0}^n p^{k(k-1)/2} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_{p,q} x^k (1-x)_{p,q}^{n-k} = p^{n(n-1)/2}$ , moments of  $(p, q)$ -Bernstein operators can be obtained as:

**Lemma 1.1** Let  $0 < q < p \leq 1$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} B_n^{(p,q)}(1; x) &= 1 \\ B_n^{(p,q)}(t; x) &= xp^{-n} \\ B_n^{(p,q)}(t^2; x) &= \frac{p^{-n-1}}{[n]_{p,q}} x + \frac{[n-1]_{p,q} p^{-2n} q}{[n]_{p,q}} x^2. \end{aligned}$$

Bernstein polynomials, their Durrmeyer variants and Szasz operators which are generalization of Bernstein polynomials have been studied intensively by many researchers; for details one may refer to [2–7, 13, 14, 24, 26]. Motivated by these operators, we introduce  $(p, q)$ -Bernstein Durrmeyer operators for  $0 < q < p \leq 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $f \in C[0, 1]$  as:

$$D_n^{(p,q)}(f; x) = [n+1]_{p,q} p^{-n^2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{-k} \int_0^1 b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(qt) f(t) d_{p,q}t.$$

Clearly, for  $p > 1$ ,  $(p, q)$ -Bernstein Durrmeyer operators coincide with  $q$ -Bernstein Durrmeyer operators [12].

To obtain the moments of proposed operators, we first define  $(p, q)$ -beta integral.

**Definition 1.2** For  $0 < q < p \leq 1$  and  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $(p, q)$ -beta integral is defined as:

$$\beta_{p,q}(t, s) = \int_0^1 x^{t-1} (1-qx)_{p,q}^{s-1} d_{p,q}x. \quad (1.1)$$

In the next lemma, we give relation between  $(p, q)$ -beta integral and  $q$ -beta integral.

**Lemma 1.3** For  $0 < q < p \leq 1$  and  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , we have

$$\beta_{p,q}(t, s) = p^{(s-1)(s-2)/2-(t-1)} \beta_{q/p}(t, s),$$

where  $\beta_{q/p}(t, s)$  is  $q/p$ -analogue of beta function.

*Proof* First, we show that for  $0 < q < p \leq 1$

$$\int_0^a f(x) d_{p,q}x = \int_0^a f(x/p) d_{q/p}x. \quad (1.2)$$

Using definition of  $(p, q)$ -integration and  $q$ -integration of a function  $f \in C[0, a]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^a f(t) d_{p,q}t &= (p-q)a \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^k}{p^{k+1}} f\left(\frac{q^k}{p^{k+1}}a\right) \\ &= (1-q/p)a \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k f\left(\frac{a}{p}\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k\right) \\ &= \int_0^a f(x/p) d_{q/p}x. \end{aligned}$$

By using Equality (1.2) and identity  $(1-x)_{p,q}^n = p^{n(n-1)/2}(1-x)_{q/p}^n$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{p,q}(t, s) &= \int_0^1 x^{t-1} (1-qx)_{p,q}^{s-1} d_{p,q}x \\ &= \int_0^1 (x/p)^{t-1} (1-qx/p)_{p,q}^{s-1} d_{q/p}x \\ &= \int_0^1 (x/p)^{t-1} p^{(s-1)(s-2)/2} (1-q/p x)_{q/p}^{s-1} d_{q/p}x \\ &= p^{(s-1)(s-2)/2-(t-1)} \beta_{q/p}(t, s). \end{aligned}$$

□

## 2 Moments

In this section, we obtain the moments for purposed  $(p, q)$ -Bernstein Durrmeyer operators. We also estimate  $m$ th-order moments of the operators and obtain uniform convergence of the operators using Korovkin's type theorem.

**Lemma 2.1** For  $s = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , we have

$$\int_0^1 b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(qt)t^s d_{p,q}t = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k p^{-ks} p^{n(n+2s+1)/2} \frac{[n]_{p,q}![k+s]_{p,q}!}{[k]_{p,q}![n+s+1]_{p,q}!}.$$

*Proof* By Lemma 1.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(qt)t^s d_{p,q}t &= p^{k(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{k}_{p,q} \int_0^1 t^s q^k t^k (1-qt)_{p,q}^{n-k} d_{p,q}t \\ &= p^{k(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{k}_{p,q} q^k \beta_{p,q}(s+k+1, n-k+1) \\ &= p^{k(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{k}_{p,q} q^k p^{(n-k)(n-k-1)/2-(s+k)} \beta_{q/p}(s+k+1, n-k+1). \end{aligned}$$

Using  $\beta_q(t+1, s+1) = \frac{[t]_q! [s]_q!}{[s+t+1]_q!}$  and  $[n]_{p,q}! = p^{n(n-1)/2} [n]_{q/p}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(qt) t^s d_{p,q} t &= p^{k(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{k}_{p,q} q^k p^{(n-k)(n-k-1)/2-(s+k)} \frac{[s+k]_{q/p}! [n-k]_{q/p}!}{[n+s+1]_{q/p}!} \\ &= p^{k(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{k}_{p,q} q^k p^{(n+s)(n+s+1)/2-(s+k)(s+k+1)/2} \frac{[s+k]_{p,q}! [n-k]_{p,q}!}{[n+s+1]_{p,q}!} \\ &= \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k p^{-ks} p^{n(n+2s+1)/2} \frac{[n]_{p,q}! [k+s]_{p,q}!}{[k]_{p,q}! [n+s+1]_{p,q}!}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 2.2** Let  $0 < q < p \leq 1$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We have

$$D_n^{(p,q)}(1; x) = 1, \quad (2.1)$$

$$D_n^{(p,q)}(t; x) = \frac{1}{[n+2]_{p,q}} (p^n + q[n]_{p,q} x), \quad (2.2)$$

$$D_n^{(p,q)}(t^2; x) = \frac{(p+q)p^{2n} + (p+q)^2 qp^{n-1} [n]_{p,q} x + q^4 [n]_{p,q} [n-1]_{p,q} x^2}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}}. \quad (2.3)$$

*Proof* Using Lemma 2.1 for  $s = 0, 1, 2$ , we have

$$\int_0^1 b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(qt) d_{p,q} t = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k p^{n(n+1)/2} \frac{1}{[n+1]_{p,q}} \quad (2.4)$$

$$\int_0^1 tb_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(qt) d_{p,q} t = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k p^{-k} p^{n(n+3)/2} \frac{[k+1]_{p,q}}{[n+1]_{p,q} [n+2]_{p,q}} \quad (2.5)$$

$$\int_0^1 t^2 b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(qt) d_{p,q} t = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^k p^{-2k} p^{n(n+5)/2} \frac{[k+1]_{p,q} [k+2]_{p,q}}{[n+1]_{p,q} [n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}}. \quad (2.6)$$

Using Equality (2.4) and Lemma 1.1, first moment can be found trivially.

Also, by using Equality (2.5), Lemma 1.1 and  $[k+1]_{p,q} = p^k + q[k]_{p,q}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} D_n^{(p,q)}(t; x) &= [n+1]_{p,q} p^{-n^2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) p^{-k} p^{n(n+3)/2} \frac{[k+1]_{p,q}}{[n+1]_{p,q} [n+2]_{p,q}} \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+2]_{p,q}} p^{(-n^2+3n)/2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) p^{-k} (p^k + q[k]_{p,q}) \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+2]_{p,q}} p^{(-n^2+3n)/2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) + \frac{[n]_{p,q}}{[n+2]_{p,q}} p^{(-n^2+3n)/2} q \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) p^{-k} \frac{[k]_{p,q}}{[n]_{p,q}} \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+2]_{p,q}} p^n B_n^{(p,q)}(1; x) + \frac{[n]_{p,q}}{[n+2]_{p,q}} p^n q B_n^{(p,q)}(t; x) \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+2]_{p,q}} p^n + \frac{[n]_{p,q}}{[n+2]_{p,q}} q x \\ &= \frac{1}{[n+2]_{p,q}} (p^n + q[n]_{p,q} x). \end{aligned}$$



Finally, using Equality (2.6) and Lemma 1.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
D_n^{(p,q)}(t^2; x) &= [n+1]_{p,q} p^{-n^2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) p^{-2k} p^{n(n+5)/2} \frac{[k+1]_{p,q} [k+2]_{p,q}}{[n+1]_{p,q} [n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}} \\
&= \frac{1}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}} p^{(-n^2+5n)/2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) p^{-2k} (p^k + q[k]_{p,q}) ((p+q)p^k + q^2[k]_{p,q}) \\
&= \frac{(p+q)}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}} p^{(-n^2+5n)/2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) \\
&\quad + \frac{q(2q+p)[n]_{p,q}}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}} p^{(-n^2+5n)/2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) \frac{p^{-k}[k]_{p,q}}{[n]_{p,q}} \\
&\quad + \frac{q^3[n]_{p,q}^2}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}} p^{(-n^2+5n)/2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) \left( \frac{p^{-k}[k]_{p,q}}{[n]_{p,q}} \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}} p^{2n} \\
&\quad \times \left( (p+q)B_n^{(p,q)}(1; x) + q(2q+p)[n]_{p,q} B_n^{(p,q)}(t; x) + q^3[n]_{p,q}^2 B_n^{(p,q)}(t^2; x) \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}} \\
&\quad \times \left( (p+q)p^{2n} + q(2q+p)p^n[n]_{p,q}x + q^3[n]_{p,q}(p^{n-1}x + [n-1]_{p,q}qx^2) \right) \\
&= \frac{(p+q)p^{2n} + (p+q)^2qp^{n-1}[n]_{p,q}x + q^4[n]_{p,q}[n-1]_{p,q}x^2}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Remark 2.3** For  $p = 1$ , the above moments coincide with moments of  $q$ -Durrmeyer operators due to Gupta [12].

**Remark 2.4** Central moments of  $(p, q)$ -Durrmeyer can be obtained as

$$D_n^{(p,q)}(t-x; x) = \frac{p^n + (q[n]_{p,q} - [n+2]_{p,q})x}{[n+2]_{p,q}} \quad (2.7)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
D_n^{(p,q)}((t-x)^2; x) &= \frac{(q^4[n]_{p,q}[n-1]_{p,q} - 2q[n]_{p,q}[n+3]_{p,q} + [n+2]_{p,q}[n+3]_{p,q})x^2}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}} \\
&\quad + \frac{((p+q)^2qp^{n-1}[n]_{p,q} - 2p^n[n+3]_{p,q})x + (q+p)p^{2n}}{[n+2]_{p,q} [n+3]_{p,q}}. \quad (2.8)
\end{aligned}$$

**Remark 2.5** For  $q \in (0, 1)$  and  $p \in (q, 1]$ , by simple computations,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p,q} = 1/(p-q)$ . In order to obtain results for order of convergence of the operators, we take  $q_n \in (0, 1)$ ,  $p_n \in (q_n, 1]$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = 1$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1$ , so that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[n]_{p_n, q_n}} = 0$ . Such a sequence can always be constructed, for example, we can take  $q_n = 1 - 1/n$  and  $p_n = 1 - 1/2n$ , clearly  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n^n = e^{-1/2}$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n^n = e^{-1}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[n]_{p_n, q_n}} = 0$ .

**Remark 2.6** Let  $(p_n)_n$  and  $(q_n)_n$  be sequences as defined in Remark 2.5 and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n^n = a$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n^n = b$  for  $0 \leq a, b < 1$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} D_n^{(p,q)}(t-x; x) &= a + \alpha x, \\
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} D_n^{(p,q)}((t-x)^2; x) &= x(\gamma x + 2a),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} (q_n - 1)$  and  $\gamma = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} (q_n^4 - 2q_n + 1)$ .

**Theorem 2.7** For  $s > 0$ ,  $s$ th order moment of  $(p, q)$ -Durrmeyer operators are given by

$$D_n^{(p,q)}(t^s; x) = \frac{[n+1]_{p,q}!}{[n+s+1]_{p,q}!} p^{ns} \sum_{j=0}^s C_j(s, p, q) [n]_{p,q}^j B_n^{(p,q)}(t^j; x),$$

where  $C_j(s, p, q)$  for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, s$  are constants.

*Proof* For  $s > 0$ , using definition of operators and Lemma 2.1

$$\begin{aligned} D_n^{(p,q)}(t^s; x) &= [n+1]_{p,q} p^{-n^2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) p^{-ks} p^{n(n+2s+1)/2} \frac{[n]_{p,q}! [k+s]_{p,q}!}{[k]_{p,q}! [n+s+1]_{p,q}!} \\ &= \frac{[n+1]_{p,q}!}{[n+s+1]_{p,q}!} p^{-n(n-1)/2} p^{ns} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) p^{-ks} [k+1]_{p,q} [k+2]_{p,q} \cdots [k+s]_{p,q}. \end{aligned}$$

Using equality  $[k+j]_{p,q} = p^k [j]_{p,q} + q^j [k]_{p,q}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} [k+1]_{p,q} [k+2]_{p,q} \cdots [k+s]_{p,q} &= \prod_{j=1}^s (p^k [j]_{p,q} + q^j [k]_{p,q}) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^s C_j(s, p, q) p^{k(s-j)} [k]_{p,q}^j, \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_j(s, p, q)$  for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, s$  are constants. Finally, using above equality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} D_n^{(p,q)}(t^s; x) &= \frac{[n+1]_{p,q}!}{[n+s+1]_{p,q}!} p^{-n(n-1)/2} p^{ns} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) p^{-ks} \sum_{j=0}^s C_j(s, p, q) p^{k(s-j)} [k]_{p,q}^j \\ &= \frac{[n+1]_{p,q}!}{[n+s+1]_{p,q}!} p^{ns} \sum_{j=0}^s C_j(s, p, q) [n]_{p,q}^j p^{-n(n-1)/2} \sum_{k=0}^n b_{n,k}^{(p,q)}(x) \left( \frac{p^{-k} [k]_{p,q}}{[n]_{p,q}} \right)^j \\ &= \frac{[n+1]_{p,q}!}{[n+s+1]_{p,q}!} p^{ns} \sum_{j=0}^s C_j(s, p, q) [n]_{p,q}^j B_n^{(p,q)}(t^j; x). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.8** Let  $(p_n)_n$  and  $(q_n)_n$  be sequences as defined in Remark 2.5. Then for each  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f; .)$  converges uniformly to  $f$ .

*Proof* By Korovkin theorem, it is sufficient to show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(e_m; .) - e_m\| = 0$  for  $e_m = t^m$ ,  $m = 0, 1, 2$ .

Using Eq. (2.1), result for  $m = 0$  is trivial.

For  $m = 1$ , result is obtained using Eq. (2.2), as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(e_1; .) - e_1\| &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{p_n^n}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}} \right| + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(q_n[n]_{p_n, q_n} - [n+2]_{p_n, q_n})}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}} \right| \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, using Eq. (2.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(e_2; .) - e_2\| &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(p_n + q_n)p_n^{2n}}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}[n+3]_{p_n, q_n}} \right| \\ &\quad + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(p_n + q_n)^2 q_n p_n^{n-1} [n]_{p_n, q_n}}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}[n+3]_{p_n, q_n}} \right| + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{q_n^4 [n]_{p_n, q_n} [n-1]_{p_n, q_n}}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}[n+3]_{p_n, q_n}} - 1 \right| \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is now complete. □



### 3 Main theorems

For  $f \in C[0, 1]$  modulus of continuity  $\omega(f, \delta)$  for  $\delta > 0$  is defined as

$$\omega(f, \delta) = \sup_{|x-y| \leq \delta; x, y \in [0, 1]} |f(x) - f(y)|$$

and modulus of continuity of second order is defined as

$$\omega_2(f, \delta) = \sup_{|h| \leq \delta; x, x+h, x+2h \in [0, 1]} |f(x+2h) - 2f(x+h) + f(x)|.$$

Peetre's  $K$ -functional is defined by

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

where  $W^2 = \{g \in C[0, 1] : g', g'' \in C[0, 1]\}$ . By [10, p. 177, Theorem 2.4], there exists a positive constant  $C > 0$  such that  $K_2(f, \delta) \leq C\omega_2(f, \sqrt{\delta})$ ,  $\delta > 0$ .

**Theorem 3.1** For  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,

$$|D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f(t) - f(x); x)| \leq 2\omega(f, \eta_n(x)),$$

where  $\eta_n(x) = \sqrt{D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}((t-x)^2; x)}$ .

*Proof* By linearity and monotonicity of operators, we get

$$|D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f(t) - f(x); x)| \leq D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(|f(t) - f(x)|; x).$$

By using property of modulus of continuity  $|f(t) - f(x)| \leq \omega(f, \eta_n) \left(1 + \frac{|t-x|}{\eta_n}\right)$ , we get

$$|D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f(t) - f(x); x)| \leq \omega(f, \eta_n) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\eta_n} \sqrt{D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}((t-x)^2; x)}\right),$$

taking  $\eta_n = \sqrt{D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}((t-x)^2; x)}$ , we finally get result.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $(p_n)_n$  and  $(q_n)_n$  be sequences as defined in Remark 2.5. Let  $f \in C[0, 1]$ . Then for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists an absolute constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$|D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f; x) - f(x)| \leq C\omega_2(f, \delta_n(x)) + \omega(f, \alpha_n(x)),$$

where  $\delta_n(x) = \{D_n^{(p, q)}((t-x)^2; x) + (D_n^{(p, q)}(t-x; x))^2\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  and  $\alpha_n(x) = D_n^{(p, q)}(t-x; x)$ .

*Proof* For  $x \in [0, 1]$ , we consider the operators  $D_n^*(f; x)$  as

$$D_n^*(f; x) = D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f; x) + f(x) - f\left(\frac{p_n^n + q_n[n]_{p_n, q_n}x}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}}\right).$$

Using above operators and Eq. (2.2), we immediately get  $D_n^*(t-x; x) = 0$ . For  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $g \in W^2$  using the Taylor's formula, we have

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

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} D_n^*(g; x) - g(x) &= g'(x)D_n^*((t-x); x) + D_n^*\left(\int_x^t (t-u)g''(u)du; x\right) \\ &= D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}\left(\int_x^t (t-u)g''(u)du; x\right) \\ &\quad - \int_x^{\frac{p_n^n + q_n[n]_{p_n, q_n}x}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}}} \left(\frac{p_n^n + q_n[n]_{p_n, q_n}x}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}} - u\right) g''(u)du. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |D_n^*(g; x) - g(x)| &\leq \left| D_n^{(p_n, q_n)} \left( \int_x^t (t-u) g''(u) du; x \right) \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \int_x^{\frac{p_n^n + q_n[n]_{p_n, q_n} x}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}}} \left( \frac{p_n^n + q_n[n]_{p_n, q_n} x}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}} - u \right) g''(u) du \right| \\ &\leq \|g''\| D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}((t-x)^2; x) + \left( \frac{p_n^n + q_n[n]_{p_n, q_n} x}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}} - x \right)^2 \|g''\| \\ &= \delta_n^2(x) \|g''\|. \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have

$$|D_n^*(f; x)| \leq |D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f; x)| + 2\|f\| \leq 3\|f\|.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} |D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f; x) - f(x)| &\leq |D_n^*(f-g; x) - (f-g)(x)| + \left| f \left( \frac{p_n^n + q_n[n]_{p_n, q_n} x}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}} \right) - f(x) \right| \\ &\quad + |D_n^*(g; x) - g(x)| \\ &\leq |D_n^*(f-g; x)| + |(f-g)(x)| + \left| f \left( \frac{p_n^n + q_n[n]_{p_n, q_n} x}{[n+2]_{p_n, q_n}} \right) - f(x) \right| \\ &\quad + |D_n^*(g; x) - g(x)| \\ &\leq 4\|f-g\| + \omega \left( f; \left| \frac{q_n^2}{[n]_{p_n, q_n}(p_n+q_n)} + (q_n-1)x \right| \right) + \delta_n^2(x) \|g''\|. \end{aligned}$$

On taking infimum on right-hand side over all  $g \in W^2$  and by definition of  $K$ -functional, we get

$$|D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f; x) - f(x)| \leq 4K_2(f, \delta_n^2(x)) + \omega(f, \alpha_n(x)).$$

Finally, using property  $K_2(f, \delta) \leq C\omega_2(f, \sqrt{\delta})$ , we get the result.  $\square$

Here, we give Voronovskaya-type theorem for the operators.

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $(p_n)_n$  and  $(q_n)_n$  be sequences as defined in Remark 2.5,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n^n = a$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n^n = b$  for  $0 \leq a, b < 1$ . Then for  $f \in C[0, 1]$ , such that  $f', f'' \in C[0, 1]$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} |D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f; x) - f(x)| = (\alpha x + a) f'(x) + x(\gamma x + 2a) f''(x)/2$$

uniformly on  $[0, 1]$ . Here,  $\alpha = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} (q_n - 1)$  and  $\gamma = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} (q_n^4 - 2q_n + 1)$ .

*Proof* Using the Taylor's formula for  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,

$$f(t) = f(x) + f'(x)(t-x) + \frac{1}{2} f''(x)(t-x)^2 + r(t, x)(t-x)^2,$$

where  $r(t, x)$  is remainder term such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} r(t, x) = 0$ . Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [n]_{p_n, q_n} (D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f; x) - f(x)) &= [n]_{p_n, q_n} f'(x) D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}((t-x); x) \\ &\quad + [n]_{p_n, q_n} \frac{f''(x)}{2} D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}((t-x)^2; x) \\ &\quad + [n]_{p_n, q_n} D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(r(t, x)(t-x)^2; x). \end{aligned}$$

Using Cauchy–Schwartz inequality, we have

$$D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(r(t, x)(t-x)^2; x) \leq \sqrt{D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(r^2(t, x); x)} \sqrt{D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}((t-x)^4; x)}.$$



As  $r(t, x) \in C[0, 1]$ , therefore by uniform convergence of operators and fact that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow x} r(t, x) = 0$ , we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(r^2(t, x); x) = r^2(x, x) = 0,$$

uniformly for any  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Hence, by using above equality and positivity of linear operators, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(r(t, x)(t - x)^2; x) = 0.$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} (D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}(f; x) - f(x)) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} f'(x) D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}((t - x); x) \\ &\quad + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{p_n, q_n} \frac{f''(x)}{2} D_n^{(p_n, q_n)}((t - x)^2; x). \end{aligned}$$

By using Remark 2.6, we get the theorem.  $\square$

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