

## Approximation properties of bivariate generalization of Meyer-König and Zeller type operators

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**Abstract** In this paper, a bivariate generalization of a general sequence of Meyer-König and Zeller (MKZ) operators based on  $q$ -integers is constructed. Approximation properties of these operators are obtained by using either Korovkin-type statistical approximation theorem or Heping-type convergence theorem for bivariate functions. Rates of statistical convergence by means of modulus of continuity and the elements of Lipschitz class functionals are also established.

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### 1 Introduction

The classical Meyer-König and Zeller (MKZ) operators are defined by

$$M_n(f, x) = \begin{cases} (1-x)^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{k}{n+k+1}\right) \binom{n+k}{k} x^k, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1) \\ f(1), & \text{if } x = 1, \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

for  $f \in C[0, 1]$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  (see [10]).

These operators were modified by CHENEY and SHARMA in [3] as follows:

$$H_n(f, x) = \begin{cases} (1-x)^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{k}{n+k}\right) \binom{n+k}{k} x^k, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1) \\ f(1), & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases} \quad (1.2)$$

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In [3], CHENEY and SHARMA obtained monotonicity of the sequence of the operators defined by (1.2), for  $n$ , when the function  $f$  is convex.

The  $q$ -type generalization of positive linear operators was originated by PHILLIPS [16]. He introduced the  $q$ -type generalization of the classical Bernstein operators and obtained the rate of convergence and Voronovskaja-type asymptotic formula for these operators. PHILLIPS, GOODMAN and ORUÇ ([10], [14]) studied similar problems in detail. Using similar idea, TRIF [18] defined the MKZ operators based on the  $q$ -integers as follows:

$$F_n(f, q, x) = \begin{cases} \prod_{s=0}^n (1 - q^s x) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{[k]_q}{[n+k]_q}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n+k \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1) \\ f(1), & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases} \quad (1.3)$$

Then, TRIF [18] studied the approximation properties and obtained the rate of convergence by using the modulus of continuity and monotonicity properties of the operators  $F_n(f, q, x)$ , for  $q \in (0, 1)$  and  $x \in [0, 1)$ .

Here, we recall some definitions about  $q$ -integers. For each non-negative integer  $k$  and  $q \in (0, 1)$ , the  $q$ -integers,  $[k]_q$ , and the  $q$ -factorial,  $[k]_q!$ , are defined by [1]:

$$[k]_q := \begin{cases} \frac{1-q^k}{1-q}, & \text{if } q \neq 1 \\ k, & \text{if } q = 1, \end{cases}$$

$$[k]_q! := \begin{cases} [k]_q [k-1]_q \cdots [1]_q, & \text{if } k \geq 1 \\ 1, & \text{if } k = 0, \end{cases}$$

respectively.

For the integers  $n, k, n \geq k \geq 0$ , the  $q$ -binomial or the Gaussian coefficient is defined by [1]:

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

In [5], DOĞRU and DUMAN introduced the following different kind of  $q$ -MKZ operators and studied statistical approximation properties of such operators:

$$R_n(f, q, x) = \begin{cases} \prod_{s=0}^n (1 - q^s x) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{q^n [k]_q}{[n+k]_q}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n+k \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1) \\ f(1), & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases} \quad (1.4)$$

Statistical convergence was first introduced by FAST [8] nearly fifty years ago and it has become an area of active research.

Now, we give concepts of statistical convergence.

Let  $K$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ , the set of all natural numbers. The density of  $K$  is defined by  $\delta(K) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} |\{k \in K : k \leq n\}|$  provided the limit exists [13]. So the sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is said to be statistically convergent to a number  $L$  means that if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta \{k : |x_k - L| \geq \varepsilon\} = 0$  and it is denoted by  $st - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = L$ . It is easy to see that every convergent sequence is statistically convergent but converse is not true.

Recently, combining (1.3) and (1.4) ÖZARSLAN and DUMAN [15] also introduced the following modification of  $q$ -MKZ operators:

$$T_n(f, q, x) = \begin{cases} \prod_{s=0}^n (1 - q^s x) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{a_n(q)[k]_q}{[n+k]_q}\right) \begin{bmatrix} n+k \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1) \\ f(1), & \text{if } x = 1, \end{cases} \quad (1.5)$$

where  $(a_n(t))$  is a function sequence defined on the interval  $[0, 1]$  such that  $0 < a_n(t) \leq 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . They obtained a Korovkin-type approximation theorem and computed the rates of convergence of these operators by means of modulus of continuity and the elements of Lipschitz class functionals using the following results:

$$\begin{aligned} T_n(e_0; q, x) &= 1, \\ T_n(e_1; q, x) &= a_n(q)x, \\ a_n^2(q)x^2 \leq T_n(e_2; q, x) &\leq qa_n^2(q)x^2 + \frac{a_n^2(q)x}{[n]_q}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $q \in (0, 1]$ .

Replacing  $q$  in (1.6) by a sequence  $(q_n) \in (0, 1]$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  so that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n(q_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{q_n} = \infty \quad (1.7)$$

and using (1.7), we realize that the Korovkin-type approximation properties are obtained for the operators (1.5). ÖZARSLAN and DUMAN gave such a sequence in [15].

Now, we recall some definitions. As usual,  $C[a, b]$  denotes the space of all real valued continuous functions defined on  $[a, b]$ . Then the space  $C[a, b]$  is a Banach space with the usual norm  $\|\cdot\|$  given by  $\|f\| = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |f(x)|$ ,  $f \in C[a, b]$ . As usual, throughout the paper we use the test functions  $e_i(x) = x^i$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2$ .

In this paper, firstly we obtain statistically approximation properties of the (1.5) operators for  $f \in C[0, b]$ ,  $0 < b < 1$ , with the help of Korovkin-type theorem proved by GADJIEV and ORHAN [9] and estimate the rate of statistically convergence of the sequence of the operators to the function  $f$ .

Secondly, we consider the following questions related with convergence of the (1.5) operators for  $x \in [0, b]$ ,  $0 < b < 1$  and positive answer to this question is given with the help of a Heping-type theorem proved by DOĞRU and GUPTA [6].

If we choose a sequence  $(a_n(q_n))$  instead of a fixed  $q \in (0, 1]$  such that  $0 < q_n \leq 1$  and the following conditions:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n(q_n)) = c, \quad (c \in \mathbb{R}) \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1, \quad (1.8)$$

can the approximation properties of the (1.5) operators still be obtained for  $x \in [0, b]$ ,  $0 < b < 1$ .

For instance, if we choose  $(a_n(q_n)) = q_n^n$ ,  $(q_n) = (1 - \frac{1}{n})$ , then the conditions (1.8) are satisfied  $c = e^{-1}$ . On the other hand, the conditions in (1.8) guarantee that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{q_n} = \infty$ .

Finally, the aim of this paper is to construct a Stancu-type bivariate extension of the (1.5) operators, to give either the statistical or Heping-type convergence of these operators to the function  $f$  and also to compute the rate of statistical convergence of these operators.

## 2 Heping-type convergence

In [6], DOĞRU and GUPTA proved the following Heping-type theorem given by HEPING in [11] for any sequence of positive linear operators.

**Theorem A** ([6]). *Let the sequence  $(L_n)$  of positive linear operators on  $C[0, b]$  satisfy:*

- (i) *The sequence  $(L_n(e_i))$  converges to a function  $L_\infty(e_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$  in  $C[0, b]$ .*
- (ii)  *$(L_n(f; x))$  is non-increasing for any convex and increasing function  $f$  and for any  $x \in [0, b]$ .*

*Then there is an operator  $L_\infty$  on  $C[0, b]$  such that  $\|L_n(f) - L_\infty(f)\|_{C[0, b]} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , for every  $f \in C[0, b]$ .*

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $a_n(q_n)$  be a real decreasing sequence such that  $0 < q_n \leq 1$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying the conditions in (1.8). Then, there is an operator  $T_\infty$  on  $C[0, b]$  such that  $\|T_n(f, q_n) - T_\infty(f, q_n)\|_{C[0, b]} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , for all  $f \in C[0, b]$ ,  $(0 < b < 1)$ .*

To obtain the proof of Theorem 1, we need the following results.

**Lemma 2.** ([6]) *Let  $\alpha := \frac{[n+1]_q}{[n+k+1]_q}$  and  $\beta := \frac{q^{n+1}[k]_q}{[n+k+1]_q}$ . Then  $\alpha + \beta = 1$  and*

$$\frac{[k]_q}{[n+k+1]_q} = \alpha \frac{[k]_q}{[n+k]_q} + \beta \frac{[k-1]_q}{[n+k]_q}. \quad (2.1)$$

**Theorem 3.** *If  $f : [0, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is a convex and increasing function,  $a_n(q)$  is a real decreasing sequence, for all  $q \in (0, 1]$ , then the sequence  $(T_n(f, q, x))$  is non-increasing in  $n$ , for all  $q \in (0, 1]$  and  $x \in [0, b]$ .*

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} & T_n(f; q, x) - T_{n+1}(f; q, x) \\ &= \prod_{s=0}^n (1 - q^s x) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{[n+1]_q}{[n+k+1]_q} f\left(\frac{a_n(q)[k]_q}{[n+k]_q}\right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - f\left(\frac{a_{n+1}(q)[k]_q}{[n+k+1]_q}\right) + \frac{q^{n+1}[k]_q}{[n+k+1]_q} f\left(\frac{a_{n+1}(q)[k-1]_q}{[n+k]_q}\right) \right\} \\ & \quad \times \begin{bmatrix} n+k+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k. \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

By choosing  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  as in Lemma 2 and substituting (2.1) into (2.2), we arrive that

$$\begin{aligned} T_n(f; q, x) - T_{n+1}(f; q, x) &\geq \prod_{s=0}^n (1 - q^s x) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \{ \alpha f(x_1) + \beta f(x_2) \\ & \quad - f(\alpha x_1 + \beta x_2) \} \times \begin{bmatrix} n+k+1 \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q x^k, \end{aligned}$$

where  $x_1 = \frac{a_{n+1}(q)[k]_q}{[n+k]_q}$ ,  $x_2 = \frac{a_{n+1}(q)[k-1]_q}{[n+k]_q}$ .

Because of convexity of  $f$ , we say that  $(T_n(f; q_n, x))$  is non-increasing in  $n$ .

*Proof of Theorem 1.* From (1.6), we get that  $(T_n(e_2; q_n, x))$  converges to  $T_\infty(e_2; q_n, x) = x^2c^2$  in  $C[0, b]$ , ( $0 < b < 1$ ). Thus we have established the property (i) of Theorem A. In addition to, (ii) of Theorem A follows from Theorem 3, so the proof is complete.  $\square$

### 3 Statistical approximation properties

In this section, we obtain statistical approximation properties of the operators defined by (1.5) with the help of the following statistical Korovkin-type theorem proved by GADJIEV and ORHAN [9].

**Theorem B** ([9]). *If the sequence of the positive linear operators  $A_n : C[a, b] \rightarrow C[a, b]$  satisfies the conditions  $st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n(e_i; \cdot) - e_i\|_{C[a, b]} = 0$  then, for all  $f \in C[a, b]$ , we have  $st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|A_n(f; \cdot) - f\|_{C[a, b]} = 0$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2$ .*

Now, in the definition of the operators  $T_n$  we consider a sequence  $q = (q_n)$  instead of a fixed  $q \in (0, 1]$  satisfying the following expression

$$st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n(q_n) = st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q_n = 1 \text{ and } st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [n]_{q_n} = \infty. \quad (3.1)$$

Existence of such a sequence was shown by DOĞRU in [4].

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $(T_n)$  be the sequence of the operators (1.5) and the sequence  $q = (q_n)$  satisfies (3.1) for  $0 < q_n \leq 1$ , then for all  $f \in C[0, b]$ ,  $0 < b < 1$ ,  $st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n(f, q) - f\|_{C[0, b]} = 0$ .*

*Proof.* By (1.6) for  $i = 0$ ,  $T_n(e_0; q_n, x) = 1$ . Then we have

$$st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n(e_0; q_n, \cdot) - e_0\|_{C[0, b]} = 0. \quad (3.2)$$

By (1.6) for  $i = 1$ , we can write

$$\|T_n(e_1; q_n, \cdot) - e_1\|_{C[0, b]} \leq 1 - a_n(q_n). \quad (3.3)$$

For a given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , define the following sets:  $U := \{n : \|T_n(e_1; q_n, \cdot) - e_1\|_{C[0, b]} \geq \varepsilon\}$  and  $U' := \{n : 1 - a_n(q_n) \geq \varepsilon\}$ .

It is clear that  $U \subseteq U'$ . Then  $\delta\{k \leq n : \|T_n(e_1; q_n, \cdot) - e_1\|_{C[0, b]} \geq \varepsilon\} \leq \delta\{k \leq n : 1 - a_n(q_n) \geq \varepsilon\}$ . (3.1) yields that  $st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - a_n(q_n)) = 0$ .

So

$$st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n(e_1; q_n, \cdot) - e_1\|_{C[0, b]} = 0. \quad (3.4)$$

Finally, for  $i = 2$  by (1.6) we get

$$\|T_n(e_2; q_n, \cdot) - e_2\|_{C[0, b]} \leq 1 - q_n a_n^2(q_n) + \frac{a_n^2(q_n)}{[n]_{q_n}}. \quad (3.5)$$

From (3.1), we have

$$st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - q_n a_n^2(q_n)) = st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{a_n^2(q_n)}{[n]_{q_n}} \right) = 0. \quad (3.6)$$

Now, given  $\varepsilon > 0$  define the following sets:  $U := \{n : \|T_n(e_2; q_n, \cdot) - e_2\|_{C[0,b]} \geq \varepsilon\}$ ,  $U_1 := \{n : 1 - q_n a_n^2(q_n) \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\}$  and  $U_2 := \{n : \frac{a_n^2(q_n)}{[n]_{q_n}} \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\}$ .

It is obvious that from (3.5)  $U \subseteq U_1 \cup U_2$ . Then we obtain that  $\delta\{n : \|T_n(e_2; q_n, \cdot) - e_2\|_{C[0,b]} \geq \varepsilon\} \leq \delta\{n : 1 - q_n a_n^2(q_n) \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\} + \delta\{n : \frac{a_n^2(q_n)}{[n]_{q_n}} \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\}$ . So the right hand side of the last inequality is zero by (3.6), then

$$st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n(e_2; q_n, \cdot) - e_2\|_{C[0,b]} = 0. \quad (3.7)$$

Now using (3.2), (3.4) and (3.7), the proof follows from Theorem B.  $\square$

#### 4 Construction of the bivariate operators

In this section, we aim to construct a bivariate extension of the operators defined in (1.5) by following technique of BARBOSU in [2].

Let  $I^2 = [0, b] \times [0, b]$ ,  $0 < b < 1$  and  $a_n(t)$  be a function satisfying  $0 < a_n(t) \leq 1$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . We consider a bivariate extension of the operators (1.5) for  $f \in C(I^2)$  and  $0 < q_1, q_2 \leq 1$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T_{n_1, n_2}(f; q_1, q_2, x, y) &= \prod_{s_1=0}^{n_1} (1 - q_1^{s_1} x) \prod_{s_2=0}^{n_2} (1 - q_2^{s_2} y) \\ &\times \sum_{k_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k_2=0}^{\infty} f \left( \frac{a_{n_1}(q_1) [k_1]_{q_1}}{[n_1 + k_1]_{q_1}}, \frac{a_{n_2}(q_2) [k_2]_{q_2}}{[n_2 + k_2]_{q_2}} \right) \\ &\times \begin{bmatrix} n_1 + k_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} \begin{bmatrix} n_2 + k_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix}_{q_2} x^{k_1} y^{k_2}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

It is clear that the operators (4.1) are linear and positive. By choosing  $a_{n_1}(q_1) = a_{n_2}(q_2) = q_1 = q_2 = 1$  in (4.1), we have a Stancu-type generalization of classical MKZ operators [12] and by choosing  $a_{n_1}(q_1) = q_1^{n_1}$ ,  $a_{n_2}(q_2) = q_2^{n_2}$  in (4.1), we have also the bivariate extension of  $q$ -MKZ operators from DOĞRU and DUMAN in [5].

**Lemma 6.** *We have*

- (i)  $T_{n_1, n_2}(f; q_1, q_2, x, y) = T_{n_1}^x(T_{n_2}^y(f; q_2, x, y))$ ,
- (ii)  $T_{n_1, n_2}(f; q_1, q_2, x, y) = T_{n_2}^y(T_{n_1}^x(f; q_1, x, y))$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} T_{n_1}^x(f; q_1, x, y) &= \prod_{s_1=0}^{n_1} (1 - q_1^{s_1} x) \sum_{k_1=0}^{\infty} f \left( \frac{a_{n_1}(q_1) [k_1]_{q_1}}{[n_1 + k_1]_{q_1}}, y \right) \\ &\times \begin{bmatrix} n_1 + k_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} x^{k_1} \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{n_2}^y(f; q_2, x, y) &= \prod_{s_2=0}^{n_2} (1 - q_2^{s_2} y) \sum_{k_2=0}^{\infty} f\left(x, \frac{a_{n_2}(q_2)[k_2]_{q_2}}{[n_2 + k_2]_{q_2}}\right) \\
 &\quad \times \begin{bmatrix} n_2 + k_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix}_{q_2} y^{k_2}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.3}$$

*Proof.* We obtain (i) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{n_1}^x(T_{n_2}^y(f; q_2, x, y)) &= T_{n_1}^x\left(\prod_{s_2=0}^{n_2} (1 - q_2^{s_2} y) \sum_{k_2=0}^{\infty} f\left(x, \frac{a_{n_2}(q_2)[k_2]_{q_2}}{[n_2 + k_2]_{q_2}}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \begin{bmatrix} n_2 + k_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix}_{q_2} y^{k_2}\right) \\
 &= \prod_{s_2=0}^{n_2} (1 - q_2^{s_2} y) \sum_{k_2=0}^{\infty} T_{n_1}^x\left(f\left(x, \frac{a_{n_2}(q_2)[k_2]_{q_2}}{[n_2 + k_2]_{q_2}}\right); q_1, x, y\right) \\
 &\quad \times \begin{bmatrix} n_2 + k_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix}_{q_2} y^{k_2} \\
 &= \prod_{s_2=0}^{n_2} (1 - q_2^{s_2} y) \sum_{k_2=0}^{\infty} \prod_{s_1=0}^{n_1} (1 - q_1^{s_1} x) \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{k_1=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{a_{n_1}(q_1)[k_1]_{q_1}}{[n_1 + k_1]_{q_1}}, \frac{a_{n_2}(q_2)[k_2]_{q_2}}{[n_2 + k_2]_{q_2}}\right) \\
 &\quad \times \begin{bmatrix} n_1 + k_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_1} x^{k_1} \begin{bmatrix} n_2 + k_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix}_{q_2} y^{k_2} \\
 &= T_{n_1, n_2}(f; q_1, q_2, x, y).
 \end{aligned}$$

In a similar way, property (ii) can be proven.  $\square$

## 5 Approximation properties of the bivariate operators

In order to obtain Heping-type convergence of the operators (4.1) we need the following Lemma.

**Lemma 7.** *Let  $e_{ij} = I^2 \rightarrow I$ ,  $e_{ij} = x^i y^j$ , be the two-dimensional test functions. Then the following results hold for the operators (4.1):*

- (i)  $T_{n_1, n_2}(e_{00}; q_1, q_2, x, y) = 1$ .
- (ii)  $T_{n_1, n_2}(e_{10}; q_1, q_2, x, y) = a_{n_1}(q_1) x$ .
- (iii)  $T_{n_1, n_2}(e_{01}; q_1, q_2, x, y) = a_{n_2}(q_2) y$ .
- (iv)  $a_{n_1}^2(q_1) x^2 \leq T_{n_1, n_2}(e_{20}; q_1, q_2, x, y) \leq q_1 a_{n_1}^2(q_1) x^2 + \frac{a_{n_1}^2(q_1) x}{[n_1]_{q_1}}$ .

$$(v) \ a_{n_2}^2(q_2)y^2 \leq T_{n_1, n_2}(e_{02}; q_1, q_2, x, y) \leq q_2 a_{n_2}^2(q_2)y^2 + \frac{a_{n_2}^2(q_2)y}{[n_2]_{q_2}}.$$

*Proof.* By using Lemma 6 and (1.6), the results (i)-(v) can easily be proven as in [2].□

**Theorem 8.** *If the sequence  $(q_{n_1}), (q_{n_2}), (a_{n_1}(q_{n_1}))$  and  $(a_{n_2}(q_{n_2}))$  in the interval  $(0, 1]$  satisfy the conditions (1.7), then the sequence of operators (4.1) converge uniformly to  $f(x, y)$  on  $I^2$ , for any  $f \in C(I^2)$ .*

*Proof.* Using the linearity of the operators (4.1) and combining the items (iv) and (v) of Lemma 7, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & a_{n_1}^2(q_{n_1})x^2 + a_{n_2}^2(q_{n_2})y^2 \\ & \leq T_{n_1, n_2}(e_{20}; q_{n_1}, q_{n_2}, x, y) + T_{n_1, n_2}(e_{02}; q_{n_1}, q_{n_2}, x, y) \\ & \leq q_{n_1} a_{n_1}^2(q_{n_1})x^2 + q_{n_2} a_{n_2}^2(q_{n_2})y^2 + \frac{a_{n_1}^2(q_{n_1})x}{[n_1]_{q_{n_1}}} + \frac{a_{n_2}^2(q_{n_2})y}{[n_2]_{q_{n_2}}}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

Using (1.7) and (5.1), we see that

$$T_{n_1, n_2}(e_{20} + e_{02}; q_{n_1}, q_{n_2}, x, y) \rightarrow x^2 + y^2 \text{ as } n_1 \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } n_2 \rightarrow \infty \quad (5.2)$$

uniformly. By using (5.2) and (i)-(iii) of Lemma 7, the proof is complete from Volkov's theorem (see [19]). □

In view of Theorems 1 and 8, we can give the following result.

**Theorem 9.** *Let  $(q_{n_1})$  and  $(q_{n_2})$  be the sequences satisfying the conditions (1.8) and  $(T_{n_1, n_2})$  be sequence of linear positive operators defined by (4.1). Then, for all  $f \in C(I^2)$ ,  $\lim_{n_1, n_2 \rightarrow \infty} \|T_{n_1, n_2}(f) - T_{\infty, \infty}(f)\|_{C(I^2)} = 0$ .*

Now, we give the following theorem which we shall use for the statistical convergence of the (4.1) operators.

**Theorem E** ([7]). *Let  $(L_n)$  be a sequence of positive linear operators from  $C(K)$  into  $C(K)$ , where  $K = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ , for  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then, for all  $f \in C(K)$ ,  $st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(f, \cdot) - f\|_{C(K)} = 0$  if and only if, the followings hold:*

$$st - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|L_n(e_i, \cdot) - e_i\|_{C(K)} = 0, \ i = 0, 1, 2.$$

Let  $(q_{n_1})$  and  $(q_{n_2})$  be the sequences that converge statistically to 1 but are not convergent in ordinary sense, so it can be written as for  $0 < q_{n_1}, q_{n_2} \leq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} st - \lim_{n_1 \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_1}(q_{n_1}) &= st - \lim_{n_1 \rightarrow \infty} q_{n_1} \\ &= st - \lim_{n_2 \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_2}(q_{n_2}) = st - \lim_{n_2 \rightarrow \infty} q_{n_2} = 1. \end{aligned} \quad (5.3)$$

Now under the condition in (5.3), let us show the statistical convergence of the bivariate operators (4.1) with the help of the proof of Theorem 4.



**Theorem 10.** *If the sequence  $(q_{n_1}), (q_{n_2}), (a_{n_1}(q_{n_1}))$  and  $(a_{n_2}(q_{n_2}))$  in the interval  $(0, 1]$  satisfy the conditions (5.3), and  $(T_{n_1, n_2})$  be the sequence of linear positive operators defined by (4.1). Then, for all  $f \in C(I^2)$*

$$\lim_{n_1, n_2 \rightarrow \infty} \|T_{n_1, n_2}(f; q_{n_1}, q_{n_2}, \cdot) - f\|_{C(I^2)} = 0.$$

*Proof.* By using Theorem 4, Lemma 6 and Theorem E, the proof can be obtained.  $\square$

### 6 Rate of convergence of the bivariate operators

Recall that the modulus of continuity for the bivariate functions is defined by  $\omega(f; \delta_1, \delta_2) = \sup\{|f(t, s) - f(x, y)| : (t, s), (x, y) \in I^2, |t - x| \leq \delta_1, |s - y| \leq \delta_2\}$  (see [2] also [17]).

It is clear that, if  $f \in C(I^2)$ , then  $\omega(f; \delta_1, \delta_2) \rightarrow 0$  for  $\delta_1 \rightarrow 0$  and  $\delta_2 \rightarrow 0$ .

Also by the monotonicity of  $\omega(f; \delta_1, \delta_2)$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |f(t, s) - f(x, y)| &\leq \omega(f; |t - x|, |s - y|) \\ &\leq \omega(f; \delta_1, \delta_2) \left( \frac{|t - x|}{\delta_1} + 1 \right) \left( \frac{|s - y|}{\delta_2} + 1 \right). \end{aligned} \quad (6.1)$$

Recall that ÖZARSLAN and DUMAN obtained the following inequality for the (1.5) operators in [15];

$$|T_n(f; q, x) - f(x)| \leq 2\omega(f; \delta_n(x, q)), \quad f \in C[0, 1] \quad \text{and } n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (6.2)$$

where

$$\delta_n(x, q) = \left\{ (3 - 2a_n(q) - qa_n^2(q))x^2 + \frac{a_n^2(q)x}{[n]_q} \right\}^{1/2}. \quad (6.3)$$

**Theorem 11.** *If the sequence  $(q_{n_1}), (q_{n_2}), (a_{n_1}(q_{n_1}))$  and  $(a_{n_2}(q_{n_2}))$  in the interval  $(0, 1]$  satisfy the conditions (1.7), then*

$$\|T_{n_1, n_2}(f; q_{n_1}, q_{n_2}) - f\|_{C(I^2)} \leq 4\omega(f; \delta_1(q_{n_1}), \delta_2(q_{n_2})), \quad (6.4)$$

where

$$\delta_{n_1}(q_{n_1}) = \left\{ (3 - 2a_{n_1}(q_{n_1}) - q_{n_1}a_{n_1}^2(q_{n_1}))b^2 + \frac{a_{n_1}^2(q_{n_1})b}{[n_1]_{q_{n_1}}} \right\}^{1/2}, \quad (6.5)$$

$$\delta_{n_2}(q_{n_2}) = \left\{ (3 - 2a_{n_2}(q_{n_2}) - q_{n_2}a_{n_2}^2(q_{n_2}))b^2 + \frac{a_{n_2}^2(q_{n_2})b}{[n_2]_{q_{n_2}}} \right\}^{1/2}. \quad (6.6)$$

*Proof.* Using the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality in (6.1), we see that, in view of (6.2) and (6.3), the proof immediately follows.

Recall that the Lipschitz class for the bivariate functions is defined as  $Lip_M(f; \alpha) = \{f : |f(t, s) - f(x, y)| \leq M[|t - x|^2 + |s - y|^2]^{\alpha/2}, (t, s), (x, y) \in I^2\}$ , where  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ .

In [15], recall that ÖZARSLAN and DUMAN obtained the following inequality for the (1.5) operators

$$|T_n(f; q, x) - f(x)| \leq M \{\delta_n(x, q)\}^\alpha, \quad f \in Lip_M(\alpha) \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (6.7)$$

where  $\delta_n(x, q)$  is defined as in (6.3).  $\square$

**Theorem 12.** *Let the sequence  $(q_{n_1}), (q_{n_2}), (a_{n_1}(q_{n_1}))$  and  $(a_{n_2}(q_{n_2}))$  satisfy conditions (1.7) in the interval  $(0, 1]$ . If  $f \in Lip_M(f; \alpha)$ , then  $\|T_{n_1, n_2}(f; q_{n_1}, q_{n_2}, \cdot) - f\|_{C(I^2)} \leq M[\delta_{n_1}^\alpha(q_{n_1}) + \delta_{n_2}^\alpha(q_{n_2})]$ , where  $(\delta_{n_1}(q_{n_1}))$  and  $(\delta_{n_2}(q_{n_2}))$  are defined as in (6.5) and (6.6).*

*Proof.* By using (i) of Lemma 7, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |T_{n_1, n_2}(f; q_{n_1}, q_{n_2}, x, y) - f(x, y)| \\ & \leq \prod_{s_1=0}^{n_1} (1 - q_{n_1}^{s_1} x) \prod_{s_2=0}^{n_2} (1 - q_{n_2}^{s_2} y) \\ & \times \sum_{k_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k_2=0}^{\infty} \left| f\left(\frac{a_{n_1}(q_{n_1}) [k_1]_{q_{n_1}}}{[n_1 + k_1]_{q_{n_1}}}, \frac{a_{n_2}(q_{n_2}) [k_2]_{q_{n_2}}}{[n_2 + k_2]_{q_{n_2}}}\right) \right. \\ & \left. - f(x, y) \right| \begin{bmatrix} n_1 + k_1 \\ k_1 \end{bmatrix}_{q_{n_1}} \begin{bmatrix} n_2 + k_2 \\ k_2 \end{bmatrix}_{q_{n_2}} x^{k_1} y^{k_2}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.8)$$

Let us first add and drop the function  $f\left(\frac{a_{n_1}(q_{n_1}) [k_1]_{q_{n_1}}}{[n_1 + k_1]_{q_{n_1}}}, y\right)$  inside the absolute value sign on the right-hand side of (6.8). Using the triangle inequality and the fact that  $f \in Lip_M(f; \alpha)$ , finally applying Hölder's inequality, with  $p = \frac{2}{\alpha}$  and  $r = \frac{2}{2-\alpha}$  such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{r} = 1$ , to the resulting term, we reach to

$$\begin{aligned} & |T_{n_1, n_2}(f; q_{n_1}, q_{n_2}, x, y) - f(x, y)| \\ & \leq M \left\{ [T_{n_1}((t-x)^2; q_{n_1}, x)]^{\alpha/2} + [T_{n_2}((s-y)^2; q_{n_2}, y)]^{\alpha/2} \right\} \\ & = M \left[ (\varphi_{n_1, 2})^{\alpha/2} + (\varphi_{n_2, 2})^{\alpha/2} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (6.9)$$

where  $\varphi_{n_1, 2}$  and  $\varphi_{n_2, 2}$  are the second central moments of the operators (1.5). By (1.6) can be obtained as follows:

$$\varphi_{n, 2}(x) = T_n((t-x)^2; q_n, x) \leq [3 - 2a_n(q_n) - q_n a_n^2(q_n) x^2] + \frac{a_n^2(q_n) x}{[n]_{q_n}}.$$

Then  $\|\varphi_{n_1, 2}(x)\| \leq \delta_{n_1}^2(q_{n_1})$  and  $\|\varphi_{n_2, 2}(x)\| \leq \delta_{n_2}^2(q_{n_2})$ , where  $\delta_{n_1}(q_{n_1})$  and  $\delta_{n_2}(q_{n_2})$  are defined as in (6.5) and (6.6), respectively.

If we take supremum over  $(x, y) \in I^2$  from the right hand side of (6.9), the proof follows.  $\square$

**Remark.** Using (5.3), it is easily verified that  $st - \lim_{n_1 \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{n_1}(q_{n_1}) = 0$  and  $st - \lim_{n_2 \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{n_2}(q_{n_2}) = 0$ . Hence this result helps us to estimate rate of statistical approximation of the operators (4.1) by means of modulus of continuity and the elements of Lipschitz class.

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