

## ON THE APPROXIMATION OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS BY THE $q$ -BERNSTEIN POLYNOMIALS IN THE CASE $q > 1$ \*

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**Abstract.** Since for  $q > 1$ , the  $q$ -Bernstein polynomials  $B_{n,q}$  are not positive linear operators on  $C[0, 1]$ , the investigation of their convergence properties turns out to be much more difficult than that in the case  $0 < q < 1$ . In this paper, new results on the approximation of continuous functions by the  $q$ -Bernstein polynomials in the case  $q > 1$  are presented. It is shown that if  $f \in C[0, 1]$  and admits an analytic continuation  $f(z)$  into  $\{z : |z| < a\}$ , then  $B_{n,q}(f; z) \rightarrow f(z)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , uniformly on any compact set in  $\{z : |z| < a\}$ .

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