

## Q-STARLIKE FUNCTIONS OF ORDER $\alpha$ AND TYPE $\beta$

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**ABSTRACT.** In the present investigation, we introduce two new subclasses  $\mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$  for  $q$ -starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  and type  $\beta$ . We establish several inclusion relationships and study various characteristic properties for the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ . Further application of fractional  $q$ -calculus are illustrated.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION AND DEFINITIONS

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the family of normalized functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . A function  $f$  in  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to be univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  if  $f$  is one to one. As usual, we denote by  $\mathcal{S}$  the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of univalent functions in  $\mathbb{U}$ . A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be in the class  $\mathcal{S}^*(\alpha)$  of starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  if it satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \alpha \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1, z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

On the other hand a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be in the class  $\mathcal{C}(\alpha)$  of convex functions of order  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  if it satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \alpha \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1, z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

In particular, we set  $\mathcal{S}^*(0) \equiv \mathcal{S}^*$  for a class of starlike functions and  $\mathcal{C}(0) \equiv \mathcal{C}$  for a class of convex functions. Let  $g$  and  $f$  be two analytic functions in  $\mathbb{U}$ , then function

$g$  is said to be subordinate to  $f$  if there exists an analytic function  $w$  in the unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  such that  $g(z) = f(w(z))$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ). We denote this subordination by  $g \prec f$ . In particular, if the function  $f$  is univalent in  $\mathbb{U}$  the above subordination is equivalent to  $g(0) = f(0)$  and  $f(\mathbb{U}) \subset g(\mathbb{U})$ .

For  $0 < q < 1$ , the  $q$ -derivative of a function  $f$  is defined by (see [3, 5, 6, 7])

$$D_q f(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(qz) - f(z)}{(q-1)z} & (z \neq 0) \\ f'(0) & (z = 0), \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

provided that  $f'(0)$  exists.

The  $q$ -integral of a function  $f$  is defined by

$$\int_0^z f(t) d_q t = z(1-q) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^n f(zq^n). \quad (3)$$

From (2), it can be easily obtain that

$$D_q \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [n]_q a_n z^n,$$

where

$$[n]_q = \frac{1 - q^n}{1 - q}.$$

As  $q \rightarrow 1^-$ ,  $[n]_q \rightarrow n$  and  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} D_q f(z) = f'(z)$ .

By making use of the  $q$ -derivative of a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ , Agrawal and Sahoo [1] introduced a class  $\mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha)$  of  $q$ -starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  in the following manner:

A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to belong to the class  $\mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha)$  if it satisfies

$$\left| \frac{\frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - \alpha}{1 - \alpha} - \frac{1}{1 - q} \right| \leq \frac{1}{1 - q} \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1, z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (4)$$

Equivalent form of the condition (4) is

$$\left| \frac{\frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - 1}{(1+q) \left\{ \frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - \alpha \right\} - \left\{ \frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - 1 \right\}} \right| < 1 \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1, z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

In particular, when  $\alpha = 0$ , the class  $\mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha)$  coincides with the class  $\mathcal{S}_q^* = \mathcal{S}_q^*(0)$ , which was introduced by Ismail et al. [4] in 1990. Moreover, the class  $\mathcal{C}_q(\alpha)$  of  $q$ -convex

functions can be defined in the form of Alexander type relation between  $\mathcal{C}_q(\alpha)$  and  $\mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha)$  as:

$$f \in \mathcal{C}_q(\alpha) \Leftrightarrow zD_q f \in \mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha).$$

We note that  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha) = \mathcal{S}^*(\alpha)$  and  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathcal{C}_q(\alpha) = \mathcal{C}(\alpha)$ .

Motivated essentially by the work of Juneja and Mogra [8], Owa [12] and recent works on  $q$ -derivative especially [1, 2, 10, 11], [14]-[20], we introduce the classes  $\mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$  of  $q$ -starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  and type  $\beta$  for functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$  of  $q$ -starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  and type  $\beta$  for analytic functions with negative coefficients.

**Definition 1.** For  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $0 < \beta \leq 1$ , a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to belong to the class  $\mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ , if it satisfies

$$\left| \frac{\frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - 1}{(1+q)\beta \left\{ \frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - \alpha \right\} - \left\{ \frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - 1 \right\}} \right| < 1, \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (5)$$

**Definition 2.** For  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $0 < \beta \leq 1$ , an analytic function  $f$  of the form

$$f(z) = a_1 z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (a_1 > 0, a_n \geq 0 \text{ and } z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad (6)$$

is said to belong to the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ , if it satisfies the condition (5).

Here, we note that

- (i)  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha, \beta) = \mathcal{S}^*(\alpha, \beta)$  (see Juneja and Mogra [8])
- (ii)  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathcal{S}_q^*(\alpha, \frac{1}{2}) = \mathcal{S}^*(\alpha, \frac{1}{2})$  (see McCarty [9])
- (iii)  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathcal{S}_q^*(\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}, \frac{1+\gamma}{2}) = \mathcal{S}^*(\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}, \frac{1+\gamma}{2})$ ; ( $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ ) (See Padmanabhan [13])
- (iv)  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta) = \mathcal{S}_0^*(\alpha, \beta)$  (see Owa [12]).

In the present paper we derive several properties including coefficient estimates, inclusion theorems, distortion theorem, convolution theorem etc. for the functions belong to the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ . Applications of fractional  $q$ -calculus associated with the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$  have also been obtained.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 1.** Let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $0 < \beta \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$ . Then a function  $f$  of the form (6) belongs to the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta] a_n \leq (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1. \quad (7)$$

The result is sharp for the function

$$f(z) = a_1 z - \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2-(1+q)\beta-\alpha\beta} z^2. \quad (8)$$

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ . Making the use of series expansion of  $f$  in the inequality (5), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - 1}{(1+q)\beta \left\{ \frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - \alpha \right\} - \left\{ \frac{z}{f(z)} D_q f(z) - 1 \right\}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ([n]_q - 1) a_n z^n}{(1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1 z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{1 - (1+q)\alpha\beta + [n]_q - (1+q)\beta[n]_q\} a_n z^n} \right| \\ &< 1 \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Since  $|Re(z)| \leq |z|$  for any  $z$ , choosing  $z$  to be real and letting  $z \rightarrow 1^-$  through real values, (9) yields

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ([n]_q - 1) a_n \leq (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{1 + [n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta - (1+q)\beta[n]_q\} a_n \quad (10)$$

which leads us immediately to the desired inequality (7).

In order to prove the converse, we assume that the inequality (7) holds true. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & |z D_q f(z) - f(z)| - |(1+q)\beta \{z D_q f(z) - \alpha f(z)\} - z D_q f(z) + f(z)| \\ &= \left| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (1 - [n]_q) a_n z^n \right| - \left| (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1 z - \{(1+q)\beta - 1\} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n]_q a_n z^n \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \{1 - (1+q)\alpha\beta\} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ([n]_q - 1) a_n |z|^n - (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1 |z| \\ & \quad + \{1 - (1+q)\beta\} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n]_q a_n |z|^n + \{1 - (1+q)\alpha\beta\} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n |z|^n \\ &\leq \left[ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (\{2 - (1+q)\beta\} [n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta) a_n - (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1 \right] |z| \\ &\leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

consequently, by the Maximum Modulus Theorem,  $f \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ .

Finally, by observing that the function  $f$  given by (8) is indeed an extremal function for the assertion (7). We complete the proof of Theorem 1.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $0 < \beta_1 \leq \beta_2 \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$ . Then we have*

$$\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta_1) \subset \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta_2).$$

*Proof.* Let a function  $f$  of the form (6) belongs to the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta_1)$  and  $\beta_2 = \beta_1 + \delta$ , then we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta_1\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta_1] a_n \leq (1+q)\beta_1(1-\alpha)a_1$$

which gives us

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \leq \frac{\beta_1(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta_1 - \alpha\beta_1}.$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta_2\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta_2] a_n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)(\beta_1 + \delta)\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha(\beta_1 + \delta)] a_n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta_1\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta_1] a_n \\ & \quad - \delta \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [(1+q)[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha] a_n \\ &\leq (1+q)\beta_1(1-\alpha)a_1 - \delta(1+q)([2]_q - \alpha) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \\ &\leq (1+q)\beta_1(1-\alpha)a_1 + \frac{(1+q)\delta\beta_1(1-\alpha)([2]_q - \alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta_1 - \alpha\beta_1} \\ &< (1+q)\beta_1(1-\alpha)a_1 + \delta(1+q)(1-\alpha)a_1 \\ &= (1+q)\beta_2(1-\alpha)a_1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the proof of Theorem 2 is completed.

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 < 1$  and  $0 < \beta \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$ . Then we have*

$$\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_1, \beta) \supset \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_2, \beta).$$

*Proof.* Let a function  $f$  of the form (6) belongs to the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_2, \beta)$  and  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 - \delta$ . Then we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha_2\beta] a_n \leq (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha_2)a_1$$

which gives us

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \leq \frac{\beta(1 - \alpha_2)a_1}{2 - (1 + q)\beta - \alpha_2\beta} < a_1.$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1 + q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1 + q)\alpha_1\beta] a_n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1 + q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1 + q)(\alpha_2 - \delta)\beta] a_n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1 + q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1 + q)\alpha_2\beta] a_n + \delta(1 + q)\beta \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \\ &\leq (1 + q)\beta(1 - \alpha_2)a_1 + \delta(1 + q)\beta a_1 \\ &= (1 + q)\beta(1 - \alpha_1)a_1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the proof of Theorem 3 is completed.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $0 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \alpha_1 < 1$  and  $0 < \beta_1 \leq \beta_2 \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$ . Then we have

$$\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_1, \beta_1) \subset \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_2, \beta_2).$$

*Proof.* Let a function  $f$  of the form (6) belongs to the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_1, \beta_1)$ ,  $\alpha_2 = \alpha_1 - \delta$  and  $\beta_2 = \beta_1 + \epsilon$ . Then we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1 + q)\beta_1\}[n]_q - (1 + q)\alpha_1\beta_1] a_n \leq (1 + q)\beta_1(1 - \alpha_1)a_1$$

which gives us

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \leq \frac{\beta_1(1 - \alpha_1)a_1}{2 - (1 + q)\beta_1 - \alpha_1\beta_1} < a_1.$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1 + q)\beta_2\}[n]_q - (1 + q)\alpha_2\beta_2] a_n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1 + q)(\beta_1 + \epsilon)\}[n]_q - (1 + q)(\alpha_1 - \delta)(\beta_1 + \epsilon)] a_n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1 + q)\beta_1\}[n]_q - (1 + q)\alpha_1\beta_1] a_n \\ &\quad - \epsilon(1 + q) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ([n]_q - \alpha_1) a_n + \delta(1 + q)(\beta_1 + \epsilon) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \\ &\leq (1 + q)\beta_1(1 - \alpha_1)a_1 - \epsilon(1 + q)([2]_q - \alpha_1) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n + \delta(1 + q)(\beta_1 + \epsilon)a_1 \\ &\leq (1 + q)\beta_1(1 - \alpha_1)a_1 + \frac{\epsilon(1+q)\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)([2]_q-\alpha_1)a_1}{2-(1+q)\beta_1-\alpha_1\beta_1} + \delta(1 + q)(\beta_1 + \epsilon)a_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq (1+q)\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)a_1 + \epsilon(1+q)(1-\alpha_1)a_1 + \delta(1+q)(\beta_1 + \epsilon)a_1$$

$$= (1+q)\beta_2(1-\alpha_2)a_1.$$

Thus the proof of Theorem 4 is completed.

**The Hadamard products:** If the functions  $g$  and  $h$  are of the form

$$g(z) = b_1z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_nz^n \quad (b_1 > 0, b_n \geq 0) \quad (11)$$

and

$$h(z) = c_1z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_nz^n \quad (c_1 > 0, c_n \geq 0), \quad (12)$$

then the Hadamard product (or Convolution) of the two functions  $g$  and  $h$  is defined by

$$g * h(z) = b_1c_1z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_nc_nz^n.$$

**Theorem 5.** Let  $0 \leq \alpha_1, \alpha_2 < 1$ ,  $0 < \beta_1, \beta_2 \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$  and  $g \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_1, \beta_1)$ ,  $h \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_2, \beta_2)$ , then  $g * h \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ , where  $g$  and  $h$  are given by (11) and (12) respectively and  $\alpha = \text{Min}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ ,  $\beta = \text{Max}(\beta_1, \beta_2)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $g \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_1, \beta_1)$  and  $h \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha_2, \beta_2)$  so Theorem 1 gives us

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta_1\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha_1\beta_1] b_n \leq (1+q)\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)b_1$$

and

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta_2\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha_2\beta_2] c_n \leq (1+q)\beta_2(1-\alpha_2)c_1.$$

Hence

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n \leq \frac{\beta_1(1-\alpha_1)b_1}{\{2 - (1+q)\beta_1\} - \alpha_1\beta_1} < b_1$$

and

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_n \leq \frac{\beta_2(1-\alpha_2)c_1}{\{2 - (1+q)\beta_2\} - \alpha_2\beta_2} < c_1.$$

Therefore for  $\alpha = \text{Min}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$  and  $\beta = \text{Max}(\beta_1, \beta_2)$ ,

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta] b_nc_n$$

$$\leq \text{Max}\{c_1 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta] b_n, \\ b_1 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta] c_n\}$$

$$\leq (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)b_1c_1.$$

Consequently,  $g * h \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ .

**Theorem 6.** Let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $0 < \beta \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then

$$a_1|z| - \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta}|z|^2 \leq |f(z)| \leq a_1|z| + \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta}|z|^2 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

The result is sharp for the function

$$f(z) = a_1z - \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta}z^2.$$

*Proof.* Since  $f \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ , then by virtue of Theorem 1, we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta] a_n \leq (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1$$

which gives

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \leq \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta}.$$

Therefore, we have

$$|f(z)| \geq a_1|z| - |z|^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \geq a_1|z| - \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta}|z|^2 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Similarly, we also get

$$|f(z)| \leq a_1|z| + |z|^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \leq a_1|z| + \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta}|z|^2 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Which completes the proof.

**Theorem 7.** Let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $0 < \beta \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then

$$a_1 - \frac{(1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - (1+q)\alpha\beta}|z| \leq |D_q f(z)| \leq a_1 + \frac{(1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - (1+q)\alpha\beta}|z| \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

The result is sharp for the function

$$f(z) = a_1z - \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - (1+q)\alpha\beta}z^2.$$



*Proof.* Since  $f \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ , then by virtue of Theorem 1, we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\{2 - (1+q)\beta\}[n]_q - (1+q)\alpha\beta] a_n \leq (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1,$$

which gives

$$\begin{aligned} (1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1 &\geq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [2 - (1+q)\beta - \frac{(1+q)}{[n]_q}\alpha\beta][n]_q a_n \\ &\geq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [2 - (1+q)\beta - (1+q)\alpha\beta][n]_q a_n. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n]_q a_n \leq \frac{(1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - (1+q)\alpha\beta}.$$

Hence,

$$|D_q f(z)| \geq a_1 - |z| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n]_q a_n \geq a_1 - \frac{(1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - (1+q)\alpha\beta} |z|,$$

and

$$|D_q f(z)| \leq a_1 + |z| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n]_q a_n \leq a_1 + \frac{(1+q)\beta(1-\alpha)a_1}{2 - (1+q)\beta - (1+q)\alpha\beta} |z| \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Which completes the proof.

In the following theorem, we obtain the radius of  $q$ -convexity for the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ .

**Theorem 8.** *Let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $0 < \beta \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then  $f$  is  $q$ -convex in the disc*

$$|z| < r = r(\alpha, \beta) = \inf_{n \geq 2} \left[ \frac{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta}{([n]_q)^2 \beta (1-\alpha)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n-1}}. \quad (13)$$

*Proof.* In order to prove the required result, we must show that

$$\left| \frac{D_q(z D_q f(z))}{D_q f(z)} - \frac{1}{1-q} \right| \leq \frac{1}{1-q} \quad (|z| < r(\alpha, \beta)). \quad (14)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{D_q(zD_q f(z))}{D_q f(z)} - \frac{1}{1-q} \right| &= \left| \frac{D_q(a_1 z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n [n]_q z^n)}{a_1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n [n]_q z^{n-1}} - \frac{1}{1-q} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{a_1 q + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n]_q \{ [n]_q (1-q) - 1 \} a_n |z|^{n-1}}{(1-q)(a_1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n]_q a_n |z|^{n-1})}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence (14) holds true if

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{([n]_q)^2}{a_1} a_n |z|^{n-1} \leq 1.$$

In view of Theorem 1, we get

$$([n]_q)^2 |z|^{n-1} \leq \frac{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta}{\beta(1-\alpha)} \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots),$$

which gives us

$$|z| \leq \left[ \frac{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta}{([n]_q)^2 \beta(1-\alpha)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n-1}} \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots).$$

This completes the proof.

### 3. FRACTIONAL $q$ -CALCULUS

In the theory of  $q$ -calculus (see [3]), the  $q$ -shifted factorial is defined for  $\eta, q \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  as a product of  $n$  factors by

$$(\eta; q)_n = \begin{cases} 1 & n=0 \\ (1-\eta)(1-\eta q) \cdots (1-\eta q^{n-1}) & n \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

and in terms of the basic analogue of the gamma function

$$(q^\eta; q)_n = \frac{\Gamma_q(\eta+n)(1-q)^n}{\Gamma_q(\eta)} \quad (n > 0),$$

where the  $q$ -gamma function is defined by

$$\Gamma_q(x) = \frac{(q; q)_\infty (1-q)^{1-x}}{(q^x; q)_\infty} \quad (0 < q < 1).$$

We note that, if  $|q| < 1$ , the definition of  $q$ -shifted factorial (15) remains meaningful for  $n=\infty$  as a convergent infinite product given as

$$(\eta; q)_\infty = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 - \eta q^k).$$

We recall here the following  $q$ -analogue definitions given in [3]. The recurrence relation for  $q$ -gamma function is given by

$$\Gamma_q(x+1) = \frac{1-q^x}{1-q} \Gamma_q(x)$$

and the  $q$ -binomial expansion is given by

$$(x-y)_v = x^v (-y/x; q)_v = x^v \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1 - (y/x)q^n}{1 - (y/x)q^{v+n}} \right].$$

Also it may be noted that the  $q$ -Gauss hypergeometric function is defined by

$${}_2\Phi_1[\eta, \zeta; \xi; q, z] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\eta; q)_n (\zeta; q)_n}{(\xi; q)_n (q; q)_n} z^n \quad (|q| < 1, |z| < 1)$$

and as a special case of the above series for  $\zeta = \xi$ , we get  ${}_1\Phi_0[\eta, -; q, z]$ .

In the following, we define the fractional  $q$ -calculus operators of a complex-valued function  $f(z)$ , which were recently studied by Purohit and Raina [14].

**Definition 3. (Fractional  $q$ -integral operator)** The fractional  $q$ -integral operator  $I_{q,z}^\delta$  of a function  $f$  of order  $\delta$  is defined by

$$I_{q,z}^\delta \equiv D_{q,z}^{-\delta} f(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(\delta)} \int_0^z (z-tq)_{\delta-1} f(t) d_{qt} \quad (\delta > 0), \quad (16)$$

where  $f$  is analytic in a simply connected region of the  $z$ -plane containing the origin and the  $q$ -binomial function  $(z-tq)_{\delta-1}$  is given by

$$(z-tq)_{\delta-1} = z^{\delta-1} {}_1\Phi_0[q^{-\delta+1}; -; q, tq^\delta/z].$$

The series  ${}_1\Phi_0[\delta; -; q, z]$  is single valued when  $|\arg(z)| < \pi$  and  $|z| < 1$  (see for details [3], pp. 104-106). Therefore, the function  $(z-tq)_{\delta-1}$  in (16) is single valued when  $|\arg(-tq^\delta/z)| < \pi$ ,  $|tq^\delta/z| < 1$  and  $|\arg(z)| < \pi$ .

**Definition 4. (Fractional  $q$ -derivative operator)** The fractional  $q$ -derivative operator  $D_{q,z}^\delta$  of a function  $f$  of order  $\delta$  is defined by

$$D_{q,z}^\delta f(z) \equiv D_{q,z} I_{q,z}^{1-\delta} f(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(1-\delta)} D_{q,z} \int_0^z (z-tq)_{-\delta} f(t) d_q t \quad (0 \leq \delta < 1), \quad (17)$$

where  $f$  is suitably constrained and multiplicity of  $(z-tq)_{-\delta}$  is removed as in Definition 3.

Here we note that for  $\delta > 0$  and  $n > -1$ ,

$$I_{q,z}^\delta z^n = \frac{\Gamma_q(n+1)}{\Gamma_q(n+\delta+1)} z^{n+\delta}.$$

Also for  $\delta \geq 0$  and  $n > -1$ ,

$$D_{q,z}^\delta z^n = \frac{\Gamma_q(n+1)}{\Gamma_q(n-\delta+1)} z^{n-\delta}.$$

**Theorem 9.** Let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $0 < \beta \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$ ,  $0 \leq \delta < 1$  and a function  $f$  of the form (6) belongs to the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then

$$|D_{q,z}^{-\delta} f(z)| \geq \frac{a_1 |z|^{1+\delta}}{\Gamma_q(2+\delta)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)(1-q^2)}{\{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta\}(1-q^{2+\delta})} |z| \right\} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad (18)$$

and

$$|D_{q,z}^{-\delta} f(z)| \leq \frac{a_1 |z|^{1+\delta}}{\Gamma_q(2+\delta)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\beta(1-\alpha)(1-q^2)}{\{2 - (1+q)\beta - \alpha\beta\}(1-q^{2+\delta})} |z| \right\} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (19)$$

*Proof.* In order to prove these inequalities, we may write

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= \Gamma_q(2+\delta) z^{-\delta} D_{q,z}^{-\delta} f(z) \\ &= a_1 z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma_q(n+1) \Gamma_q(2+\delta)}{\Gamma_q(n+\delta+1)} a_n z^n, \\ &= a_1 z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \phi(n, \delta) a_n z^n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\phi(n, \delta) = \frac{\Gamma_q(n+1) \Gamma_q(2+\delta)}{\Gamma_q(n+\delta+1)}$ ,  $n \geq 2$  is decreasing in  $n$ . By making use of  $q$ -gamma properties, we get

$$0 < \phi(n, \delta) \leq \phi(2, \delta) = \frac{1-q^2}{1-q^{2+\delta}},$$

and by Theorem 1

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_q(2 + \delta)|z^{-\delta}||D_{q,z}^{-\delta}f(z)| &\geq |z - \phi(n, \delta)|z|^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \\ &\geq |z| - \frac{\beta(1 - \alpha)a_1(1 - q^2)}{\{2 - (1 + q)\beta - \alpha\beta\}(1 - q^{2+\delta})}|z|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_q(2 + \delta)|z^{-\delta}||D_{q,z}^{-\delta}f(z)| &\leq |z| + \phi(n, \delta)|z|^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \\ &\leq |z| + \frac{\beta(1 - \alpha)a_1(1 - q^2)}{\{2 - (1 + q)\beta - \alpha\beta\}(1 - q^{2+\delta})}|z|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

From (20) and (21), we obtain the inequalities (18) and (19).

**Theorem 10.** *Let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $0 < \beta \leq \frac{1}{1+q}$ ,  $0 \leq \delta < 1$  and a function  $f$  of the form (6) belongs to the class  $\mathcal{T}_q^*(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then*

$$|D_{q,z}^{\delta}f(z)| \geq \frac{a_1|z|^{1-\delta}}{\Gamma_q(2 - \delta)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\beta(1 - \alpha)(1 - q^2)}{\{2 - (1 + q)\beta - \alpha\beta\}(1 - q^{2-\delta})}|z| \right\} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad (22)$$

and

$$|D_{q,z}^{\delta}f(z)| \leq \frac{a_1|z|^{1-\delta}}{\Gamma_q(2 - \delta)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\beta(1 - \alpha)(1 - q^2)}{\{2 - (1 + q)\beta - \alpha\beta\}(1 - q^{2-\delta})}|z| \right\} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (23)$$

*Proof.* In order to prove these inequalities, we may write

$$\begin{aligned} G(z) &= \Gamma_q(2 - \delta)z^{\delta}D_{q,z}^{\delta}f(z) \\ &= a_1z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma_q(n + 1)\Gamma_q(2 - \delta)}{\Gamma_q(n - \delta + 1)} a_n z^n, \\ &= a_1z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \psi(n, \delta) a_n z^n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi(n, \delta) = \frac{\Gamma_q(n+1)\Gamma_q(2-\delta)}{\Gamma_q(n-\delta+1)}$ ,  $n \geq 2$  is decreasing in  $n$ . By making use of  $q$ -gamma properties, we get

$$0 < \psi(n, \delta) \leq \psi(2, \delta) = \frac{1 - q^2}{1 - q^{2-\delta}},$$

and by Theorem 1

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_q(2 - \delta)|z^\delta||D_{q,z}^\delta f(z)| &\geq |z| - \psi(n, \delta)|z|^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \\ &\geq |z| - \frac{\beta(1 - \alpha)a_1(1 - q^2)}{\{2 - (1 + q)\beta - \alpha\beta\}(1 - q^{2-\delta})}|z|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Similarly, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_q(2 - \delta)|z^\delta||D_{q,z}^\delta f(z)| &\leq |z| + \psi(n, \delta)|z|^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \\ &\leq |z| + \frac{\beta(1 - \alpha)a_1(1 - q^2)}{\{2 - (1 + q)\beta - \alpha\beta\}(1 - q^{2-\delta})}|z|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Thus, we get the desired results.

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