

# Una nueva clase de polinomios $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli de orden $\alpha$

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## Resumen

En este trabajo, en primer lugar se da una introducción de los números y polinomios de Bernoulli y sus  $q$ -generalizaciones. Luego se define una nueva clase de polinomios  $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli de orden  $\alpha$  y sus números correspondientes. Se obtienen representaciones explícitas, teorema de adición y fórmula diferenciales de esta nueva clase de polinomios.

**Palabras clave:** Polinomios  $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli

## A new class of $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials of order $\alpha$

### Abstract

In this paper, we first give an introduction of Bernoulli polynomials and numbers and their  $q$ -generalizations. We then define a new class of  $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials of order  $\alpha$  and corresponding numbers. We obtain explicit representations, addition theorem and differential formula for these newly defined class of polynomials.

**Key words:**  $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials

### Notations and Definitions

We shall use the following notations and definitions of  $q$ -theory (Gasper & Rahman [8])

The  $q$ -number  $[x]_q$  and the  $q$ -number factorial  $[n]_q!$ ,  $n \in N$  are defined by

$$[x]_q = \frac{1-q^x}{1-q} \quad q \neq 1. \text{ and } [n]_q! = \prod_{j=1}^n [j]_q. \quad (1)$$

The  $q$ -shifted factorial ( $q$ -analogue of Pochhammer symbol) is defined as

$$(a; q)_n = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (1-aq^k), \quad n \in N \text{ with } (a; q)_0 = 1, \quad q \neq 1. \quad (2)$$

If we consider  $(a; q)_\infty$  then as the infinite product diverges when  $a \neq 0$  and  $|q| \geq 1$ , therefore whenever  $(a; q)_\infty$  appears in a formula, we shall assume that  $|q| < 1$ .

Further, for any complex number  $\alpha$ , we have

$$(a; q)_\alpha = \frac{(a; q)_\infty}{(aq^\alpha; q)_\infty}, \quad (3)$$

There is one more definition of  $q$ -number shifted factorial, which is often used in the definitions of  $q$ -extension of Bernoulli polynomials. This is as follows

$$[a]_{q; n} = \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} [a+j]_q, \text{ with } [a]_{q; n} = (1-q)^{-n} (q^a; q)_n. \quad (4)$$

The  $q$ -binomial theorem is given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n}{(q; q)_n} z^n = \frac{(az; q)_\infty}{(z; q)_\infty} \quad |z| < 1, 0 < |q| < 1. \quad (5)$$

For  $a = q^\alpha$ ; ( $\alpha \in C$ ) the result can be written as follows

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^\alpha; q)_n}{(q; q)_n} z^n = \frac{(q^\alpha z; q)_\infty}{(z; q)_\infty} = \frac{1}{(z; q)_\alpha} \quad |z| < 1, 0 < |q| < 1. \quad (6)$$

## Introduction

The definitions of classical Bernoulli polynomials  $B_n(x)$  and numbers  $B_n$  and their familiar generalizations  $B_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$  and  $B_n^{(\alpha)}$ , Bernoulli polynomials and numbers of order  $\alpha$ , can be seen in the texts (Erdélyi et al. [6]; Olver et al. [21]). Some interesting analogues of the classical Bernoulli polynomials were investigated by Apostol [1], so-called Apostol Bernoulli polynomials  $B_n(x; \lambda)$ . Further, Luo and Srivastava [18] introduced and investigated the Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials of order  $\alpha$ ,  $B_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda)$ . Some more generalizations and analogues of these polynomials have been studied by researchers namely Natalini and Benardini [20], Luo et al. [14], Breeti [2], Srivastava et al. [23], Kurt [12], Tremblay [25].

$q$ -analogues of Bernoulli numbers were first studied by Carlitz [3]. Thereafter various other  $q$ -analogues of Bernoulli numbers and polynomials have been studied arising from varying motivations. Many authors have further studied and developed this subject, among which a few to mention are Koblitz [11], Tsumura [26], Srivastava et al. [24], Cenkci and Can [4], Ernst [7], Ryoo [22], Choi et al. [5], Kim et al. [10], Luo [17], Luo and Srivastava [15], Mahmudov [19] and Lee and Ryoo [13]. We recall here some of these definitions.

$q$ -extensions of Bernoulli polynomials and numbers of order  $\alpha \in C$ , are defined by means of the following generating functions (see Luo and Srivastava [15])

$$(-z)^\alpha \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q; n}}{[n]_q!} q^{n+x} e^{[n+x]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n; q}^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!}, \quad (7)$$

$$(-z)^\alpha \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} q^n e^{[n]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n;q}^{(\alpha)} \frac{z^n}{n!}. \tag{8}$$

The following formula for  $B_{n;q}^{(\alpha)}(x)$  in terms of  $B_{j;q}^{(\alpha)}$  can easily be obtained from (7) and (8)

$$B_{n;q}^{(\alpha)}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \{[x]_q\}^{n-j} q^{(j+1-\alpha)x} B_{j;q}^{(\alpha)}. \tag{9}$$

**Remark 1.** From the relation (9), it is obvious that the degree of  $B_{n;q}^{(\alpha)}(x)$  is  $(n+1-\alpha)$  in  $q^x$ , which means that for non integral values of  $\alpha$ , it is not a polynomial in  $q^x$ .

Gençici and Can [4] introduced  $q$ -extensions of Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials and numbers are defined by means of the following generating functions

$$(-z) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n q^{n+x} e^{[n+x]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_n(x; \lambda; q) \frac{z^n}{n!}, \tag{10}$$

$$(-z) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n q^n e^{[n]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_n(\lambda; q) \frac{z^n}{n!} \tag{11}$$

Choi et al. [5] gave the following definitions for  $q$ -extensions of Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials and numbers of order  $k \in N$ ,

$$(-z)^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[k]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} \lambda^n q^{n+x} e^{[n+x]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_n^{(k)}(x; \lambda; q) \frac{z^n}{n!}, \tag{12}$$

$$(-z)^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[k]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} \lambda^n q^n e^{[n]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_n^{(k)}(\lambda; q) \frac{z^n}{n!}. \tag{13}$$

The following formula can easily be obtained from (12) and (13)

$$\mathfrak{B}_n^{(k)}(x; \lambda; q) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \{[x]_q\}^{n-j} q^{(j+1-k)x} \mathfrak{B}_j^{(k)}(\lambda; q) \tag{14}$$

**Remark 2.** It is observed from (14), that the degree of  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{(k)}(x; \lambda; q)$  is  $(n+1-k)$  in  $q^x$ , whereas, the notation  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{(k)}(x; \lambda; q)$  indicates that it should be of degree  $n$ .

We would like to mention here that in the same paper the authors have also defined a  $q$ -extension of Apostol-Euler polynomials and numbers of order  $k \in N$  by the following generating functions

$$2^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[k]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} (-\lambda)^n q^{n+x} e^{[n+x]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{E}_n^{(k)}(x; \lambda; q) \frac{z^n}{n!} \tag{15}$$

$$2^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[k]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} (-\lambda)^n q^n e^{[n]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{E}_n^{(k)}(\lambda; q) \frac{z^n}{n!} \tag{16}$$

From equations (3.18) and (3.32) of the same paper (Choi et al. [5]), it is easy to derive the following relation between  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{(k)}(\lambda; q)$  and  $\mathcal{E}_n^{(k)}(\lambda; q)$ , which shows that these are not independent

$$\mathfrak{B}_n^{(k)}(-\lambda; q) = (-1)^n (k+1)_n \mathcal{E}_n^{(k)}(\lambda; q) \quad (k \in N_0, n \in N) \quad (17)$$

In the present paper, we further extend this study and define a  $q$ -extension of Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials of order  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$ ,  $\alpha, \lambda \in C$ . We shall also prove in Theorem 1 that these are polynomials of degree  $n$  in  $q^x$ . This property overcomes the shortcoming pointed out in Remark 2 of earlier definition  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{(k)}(x; \lambda; q)$ .

A new class of  $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials and numbers of order  $\alpha$

**Definition.** For  $\alpha, \lambda \in C$ ,  $0 < |q| < 1$ , we define a new class of  $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials of order  $\alpha$ ,  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$  by means of the following generating function

$$\frac{1}{(-1)^\alpha} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} \lambda^n q^n e^{[n+x]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!} \quad (18)$$

and corresponding numbers are given by

$$\frac{1}{(-1)^\alpha} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} \lambda^n q^n e^{[n]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} \frac{z^n}{n!}. \quad (19)$$

$$\text{Obviously, } B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} = B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(0). \quad (20)$$

### Special Cases

1. If we set  $\alpha = k \in N$  in (18) and (19), we get

$$(-1)^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[k]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} \lambda^n q^n e^{[n+x]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(k,\lambda)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!}, \quad (21)$$

$$(-1)^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[k]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} \lambda^n q^n e^{[n]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(k,\lambda)} \frac{z^n}{n!}. \quad (22)$$

We observe that  $B_{n,q}^{(k,\lambda)}(x)$  is associated with  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{(k)}(x; \lambda; q)$  given by (12) according with the following relation

$$B_{n,q}^{(k,\lambda)}(x) = \frac{n!}{q^x (n+k)!} \mathfrak{B}_{n+k}^{(k)}(x; \lambda; q). \quad (23)$$

Further on taking  $k = 1$  in (21) and (22), we arrive at the following  $q$ -extension of Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials and numbers

$$(-1) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n q^n e^{[n+x]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(1,\lambda)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!}, \quad (24)$$

$$(-1) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n q^n e^{[n]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(1,\lambda)} \frac{z^n}{n!}. \quad (25)$$

Here,  $B_{n,q}^{(1,\lambda)}(x)$  is associated with  $B_n(x; \lambda; q)$  given by (10), according with the following relation

$$B_{n,q}^{(1,\lambda)}(x) = \frac{1}{q^x(n+1)} B_{n+1}(x; \lambda; q). \tag{26}$$

2. If we take  $q \rightarrow 1$  in (18) and (19), we get the following class of Bernoulli polynomials  $B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$  and numbers  $B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)}$

$$\frac{1}{(\lambda e^z - 1)^\alpha} e^{xz} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!} \quad (|z| < \ln \lambda) \tag{27}$$

$$\frac{1}{(\lambda e^z - 1)^\alpha} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)} \frac{z^n}{n!} \quad (|z| < \ln \lambda). \tag{28}$$

We observe that  $B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$  is not comparable with the definition of Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials of order  $\alpha$ ,  $B_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda)$  defined by Luo and Srivastava [18] as follows

$$\left(\frac{z}{\lambda e^z - 1}\right)^\alpha e^{xz} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) \frac{z^n}{n!}. \tag{29}$$

Rather it is related with Apostol Euler polynomials of order  $\alpha$ ,  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda)$  [18] through the following relation

$$B_n^{(\alpha,-\lambda)}(x) = \frac{1}{(-2)^\alpha} \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) \tag{30}$$

3. If we set  $\lambda = 1$  in (18) and (19), we get the following  $q$ -extension of Bernoulli polynomials and numbers of order  $\alpha$

$$\frac{1}{(-1)^\alpha} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} q^n e^{[n+x]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!}, \tag{31}$$

$$\frac{1}{(-1)^\alpha} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} q^n e^{[n]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)} \frac{z^n}{n!}. \tag{32}$$

Here,  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x)$  is not comparable with the definitions  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(x)$  given by (7) but we have the relation between  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x)$  and  $q$ -Euler polynomials of order  $\alpha$ ,  $E_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(x)$  (see [Luo and Srivastava [15]]) by the following relation

$$B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x) = \frac{(-1)^n}{(-2)^\alpha q^x} E_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(x). \tag{33}$$

We would like to remark here that  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x)$  given by (31) has an improvement over  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(x)$  given by (7) in the sense that for non integral values of  $\alpha$ , it is polynomial of degree  $n$  in  $q^x$  as obvious from the relation (34).

## Explicit Representations

Theorem 1. For  $\alpha, \lambda \in C, 0 < |q| < 1$ , we have

$$(a) B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \{[x]_q\}^{n-j} q^{jx} B_{j,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}, \quad (34)$$

$$(b) B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} = \frac{1}{(-1)^\alpha} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q;n}}{[j]_q!} q^j \lambda^j ([j]_q)^n, \quad (35)$$

Where  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$  and  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}$  are defined by equation (18) and (19). It is clear from (34) that  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$  in  $q^x$ .

Proof (a). Using the relation  $[x+n]_q = [x]_q + q^x [n]_q$ , we can write (18) as

$$\frac{e^{[x]_q z}}{(-1)^\alpha} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} \lambda^n q^n e^{q^x [n]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!}. \quad (36)$$

Using (19) in L.H.S. of (36), we get

$$e^{[x]_q z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} \cdot q^{nx} \cdot \frac{z^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!}. \quad (37)$$

Writing series for  $e^{[x]_q z}$  we have the following

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} \cdot q^{nx} \cdot \frac{([x]_q)^j}{j!} \cdot \frac{z^{n+j}}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!}. \quad (38)$$

Using series manipulation and equating coefficients of  $\frac{z^n}{n!}$  we get the desired result (34).

(b). Result (35) can easily be obtained from (19) on using series of exponential function and equating coefficients of  $\frac{z^n}{n!}$ .

From equation (34), it is easy to see that  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$  in  $q^x$ .

We now calculate the values of  $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli numbers  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}$  and polynomials  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$  for different values of  $n$  with the help of (35) and (34).

Few  $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli numbers as calculated from (35) are

$$\left. \begin{aligned} B_{0,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} &= \frac{1}{(-1)^\alpha} \frac{1}{(q\lambda; q)_\alpha}, \\ B_{1,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} &= \frac{q\lambda}{(-1)^\alpha} \frac{[\alpha]_q}{(q\lambda; q)_{\alpha+1}}, \\ B_{2,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} &= \frac{q^2\lambda^2}{(-1)^\alpha} \frac{[\alpha]_q [\alpha+1]_q}{(q\lambda; q)_{\alpha+2}} + \frac{q\lambda}{(-1)^\alpha} \frac{[\alpha]_q}{(q^2\lambda; q)_{\alpha+1}}, \dots \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (39)$$

Further using above values in (34), we get few  $q$ -Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials as follows

$$\left. \begin{aligned} B_{0,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) &= B_{0,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} \\ B_{1,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) &= \frac{1}{1-q} B_{0,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} - \frac{q^x}{1-q} [B_{0,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} - (1-q)B_{1,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}] \\ B_{1,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) &= \frac{1}{1-q} B_{0,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} - \frac{2q^x}{1-q} [B_{0,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} - B_{1,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}] + \frac{q^{2x}}{1-q} [B_{0,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} - 2B_{1,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)} + (1-q)B_{2,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}] \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (40)$$

Theorem 2. For  $\alpha, \lambda \in C, 0 < |q| < 1$ , we have

$$B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) = \frac{1}{(-1)^\alpha} \frac{1}{q^x} \Phi_{\alpha,q}(\lambda, -n, x). \quad (41)$$

where  $\Phi_{\mu,q}(z, s, a)$  (see Choi et al.[5]) is a  $q$ -extension of generalized Hurwitz-Lerch zeta function  $\Phi_\mu^*(z, s, a)$  defined by Goyal and Laddha[9] and is defined as follows

$$\Phi_{\mu,q}(z, s, a) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\mu]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} \frac{q^{n+a}}{([n+a]_q)^s} z^n \quad (\mu, s \in C; \text{Re}(a) > 0). \quad (42)$$

Proof. In (18), if we write exponential function  $e^{[n+x]_q z}$  in series form and compare it with (42) we easily arrive at (41).

If we let  $q \rightarrow 1$  in (41), we get the following explicit representation for  $B^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$

$$B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) = \frac{1}{(-1)^\alpha} \Phi_\alpha^*(\lambda, -n, x) \quad (|\lambda| < 1). \quad (43)$$

### Addition Theorem

Theorem 3. For  $\alpha, \lambda \in C, 0 < |q| < 1$ , we have

$$B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x+y) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \{[y]_q\}^{n-j} q^{jy} B_{j,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) \quad (44)$$

Proof. It follows from (18) that

$$\frac{1}{(-1)^\alpha} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} q^n \lambda^n e^{[n+x+y]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x+y) \frac{z^n}{n!}. \quad (45)$$

Using the relation  $[x+n+y]_q = [y]_q + q^y[x+n]_q$ , (45) can be written as

$$\frac{e^{[y]_q z}}{(-1)^\alpha} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\alpha]_{q;n}}{[n]_q!} q^n \lambda^n e^{q^y[n+x]_q z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x+y) \frac{z^n}{n!}. \quad (46)$$

Using (18), the above result assumes the following form

$$e^{[y]_q z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) q^{ny} \frac{z^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x+y) \frac{z^n}{n!}. \quad (47)$$

Expanding  $e^{[y]_q z}$  in series form, using series manipulation and equating coefficients of  $\frac{z^n}{n!}$ , we get the result (44).

If we let  $q \rightarrow 1$  in (44) we get the following addition formula for  $B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$ , defined by (27)

$$B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x+y) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} B_k^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) y^{n-k}. \quad (48)$$

If we take  $\lambda = 1$  in (44), we get the following result for  $q$ -extension of Bernoulli polynomials of order  $\alpha$ ,  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x)$  defined by (31).

$$B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x+y) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \{[y]_q\}^{n-j} q^{jy} B_{j,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x). \quad (49)$$

## Differential Formula

Theorem 4. For  $\alpha, \lambda \in C$ ,  $0 < |q| < 1$ , we have

$$\frac{d}{dx} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) = n \frac{q^x \ln q}{(q-1)} B_{n-1,q}^{(\alpha,\lambda q)}(x). \quad (50)$$

Proof. Differentiating the generating function (18) w.r.t.  $x$  and using the following result

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left\{ e^{q^n[x]_q z} \right\} = \frac{q^{n+x} \ln q}{q-1} z e^{q^n[x]_q z}, \quad (51)$$

we easily arrive at (50).

If we take the limit  $q \rightarrow 1$  in (50), it gives the following differential formula for  $B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x)$  defined by (27).

$$\frac{d}{dx} B_n^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x) = n B_{n-1}^{(\alpha,\lambda)}(x). \quad (52)$$



If we take  $\lambda = 1$  in (50), we get the following result for  $q$ -extension of Bernoulli polynomials of order  $\alpha$ ,  $B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x)$  defined by (31).

$$\frac{d}{dx} B_{n,q}^{(\alpha,1)}(x) = n \frac{q^x \ln q}{(q-1)} B_{n-1,q}^{(\alpha,q)}(x). \quad (53)$$

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