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# On the Graf's addition theorem for Hahn Extton $q$ -Bessel function

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## Abstract

In this paper we study the positivity of the generalized  $q$ -translation associated with the  $q$ -Bessel Hahn Extton function which is deduced by a new formulation of the Graf's addition formula related to this function.

## 1 Introduction and Preliminaries

It is well known that the generalized translation operator  $T$  associated with the Bessel function of the first kind is positive in the sense if  $f > 0$ , then  $Tf > 0$ . This property is easily seen when we write  $Tf$  as an integral representation with a kernel involving the area of some triangle ([1],[9]) and has several applications in many mathematical fields such that hypergroup structure, heat equation....

In 2002, the appropriated  $q$ -generalized translation for the  $q$ -Bessel Hahn Extton function was founded [3] and the problem of its positivity asked. In literature we meet many attempts to show this property in particular case, nerveless they are no definitive response at to day. In [2] the authors prove that for the  $q$ -cosinus , the correspondent  $q$ -translation operator is positive if  $q \in [0, q_0]$  for some  $q_0$ . In this work and owing a new formulation of the Graf's addition theorem [7] we give an affirmative answer about this theme by a technic involving some inclusion of sets.

To make this work self containing, we begin by the following preliminaries. Throughout this paper we consider  $0 < q < 1$  and we adopt the standard conventional notations of [4]. For complex  $a$  We put

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$$(a; q)_0 = 1, \quad (a; q)_n = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (1 - aq^i), \quad n = 1 \dots \infty.$$

Jackson's  $q$ -integral (see [5]) over the interval  $[0, \infty[$  is defined by

$$\int_0^\infty f(x) d_q x = (1 - q) \sum_{n=-\infty}^\infty q^n f(q^n).$$

We denote by

$$\mathbb{R}_q^+ = \{q^n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}\},$$

and we consider  $\mathcal{L}_{q,p,v}$  the space of even functions  $f$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}_q^+$  such that

$$\|f\|_{q,p,v} = \left[ \int_0^\infty |f(x)|^p x^{2v+1} d_q x \right]^{1/p} < \infty.$$

The  $q$ -Bessel function of third kind and of order  $v$ , called also Hahn-Exton function, is defined by the  $q$ -hypergeometric function (see [8])

$$J_v(x, q) = \frac{(q^{v+1}; q)_\infty}{(q; q)_\infty} x^v {}_1\phi_1(0, q^{v+1}, q, qx^2), \quad \Re(v) > -1,$$

and has a normalized form is given by

$$j_v(x, q) = \frac{(q; q)_\infty}{(q^{v+1}; q)_\infty} x^{-v} J_v(x, q) = {}_1\phi_1(0, q^{v+1}, q, qx^2) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty (-1)^n \frac{q^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(q; q)_n (q^{v+1}; q)_n} x^{2n}.$$

It's an entire analytic function in  $z$ .

In ([2],[6]) the  $q$ -Bessel Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}_{q,v}$  and its properties were studied in great detail, it is defined as follow

$$\mathcal{F}_{q,v} f(x) = c_{q,v} \int_0^\infty f(t) j_v(xt, q^2) t^{2v+1} d_q t,$$

where

$$c_{q,v} = \frac{1}{1 - q} \frac{(q^{2v+2}, q^2)_\infty}{(q^2, q^2)_\infty}.$$

There is many way to define the  $q$ -Bessel translation operator [2],[3]. One of them can be enounced for suitable function  $f$  as follows:

$$T_{q,x}^v f(y) = c_{q,v} \int_0^\infty \mathcal{F}_{q,v}(f)(t) j_v(xt, q^2) j_v(yt, q^2) t^{2v+1} d_q t, \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_q^+, \forall f \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}.$$

Now we say that  $T_{q,x}^v$  is positive if  $T_{q,x}^v f \geq 0$  for  $f \geq 0$ .  
Let us putting the domain of positivity of  $T_{q,x}^v$  by

$$Q_v = \{q \in ]0, 1[, \quad T_{q,x}^v \text{ is positive for all } x \in \mathbb{R}_q^+\}.$$

Trough the result of [2],  $Q_v$  is not empty. So for  $q \in Q_v$  the  $q$ -convolution product of the two functions  $f$  and  $g \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}$  is defined by

$$f *_q g(x) = c_{q,v} \int_0^\infty T_{q,x}^v f(y)g(y)y^{2v+1}d_q y.$$

To close this section we present the following results proved in [2] which will be used in the remainder.

**Proposition 1**

$$|j_v(q^n, q^2)| \leq \frac{(-q^2; q^2)_\infty (-q^{2v+2}; q^2)_\infty}{(q^{2v+2}; q^2)_\infty} \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n \geq 0 \\ q^{n^2-(2v+1)n} & \text{if } n < 0 \end{cases} .$$

**Theorem 1** *The operator  $\mathcal{F}_{q,v}$  satisfies*

1. For all functions  $f \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}$ ,

$$\mathcal{F}_{q,v}^2 f(x) = f(x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}_q^+.$$

2. If  $f \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{q,v} f \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}$  then

$$\|\mathcal{F}_{q,v} f\|_{q,v,2} = \|f\|_{q,v,2}.$$

## 2 The Graf's addition formula

The Graf's addition formula for Hahn-Exton  $q$ -Bessel function proved by H.T.Koelink and F. Swarttouw [7] plays a central role here . It can be stated as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} & J_v(Rq^{1/2(y+z+v)}, q)J_{x-v}(q^{1/2z}, q) \\ &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} J_k(Rq^{1/2(x+y+k)}, q)J_{v+k}(Rq^{1/2(y+k+v)}, q)J_x(q^{1/2(z-k)}, q); \end{aligned}$$

and it is valid when  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $R, x, y, v \in \mathbb{C}$  satisfying

$$|R|^2 q^{1+\Re(x)+\Re(y)} < 1, \quad \Re(x) > -1, \quad R \neq 0.$$

This formula has originally been derived for  $v, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $R > 0$  by the interpretation of the Hahn-Exton  $q$ -Bessel function as matrix elements of irreducible unitary representation of the quantum group of plane motions. If we replace  $q$  by  $q^2$  and  $R$  by  $q^r$  in the previous formula we get:

$$\begin{aligned} & J_v(q^{y+z+v+r}, q^2) J_{x-v}(q^z, q^2) \\ &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} J_k(q^{x+y+k+r}, q^2) J_{v+k}(q^{y+k+v+r}, q^2) J_x(q^{z-k}, q^2), \end{aligned}$$

and put

$$m = y + z + v + r,$$

so

$$x + y + k + r = m + k + x - z - v,$$

$$y + k + v + r = m + k - z,$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} & J_v(q^m, q^2) J_{x-v}(q^z, q^2) \\ &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} J_k(q^{m+k+x-z-v}, q^2) J_{v+k}(q^{m+k-z}, q^2) J_x(q^{z-k}, q^2). \end{aligned}$$

This last formula is valid for  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $r, x, y, v \in \mathbb{C}$  satisfying

$$1 + 2\Re(r) + \Re(x) + \Re(y) = 1 + \Re(r) + \Re(m) - \Re(z) - \Re(v) > 0, \quad \Re(x) > -1.$$

In the above sum we replace  $z - k$  by  $k$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & J_v(q^m, q^2) J_{x-v}(q^z, q^2) \\ &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} J_{z-k}(q^{m+x-v-k}, q^2) J_{v+z-k}(q^{m-k}, q^2) J_x(q^k, q^2), \end{aligned}$$

The sum in the second member exists for

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \forall m, v, x \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \Re(x) > -1.$$

In fact there exist an infinity complex number  $r \in \mathbb{C}$  for which

$$1 + \Re(r) + \Re(m) - \Re(z) - \Re(v) > 0.$$

Now using the definition of the normalized  $q$ -Bessel function

$$J_x(q^k, q^2) = \frac{(q^{2x+2}, q^2)_\infty}{(q^2, q^2)_\infty} q^{vk} j_x(q^k, q^2) = (1 - q) c_{q,x} q^{xk} j_x(q^k, q^2),$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & q^{mv+z(x-v)}(1-q)^2 c_{q,v} c_{q,x-v} j_v(q^m, q^2) j_{x-v}(q^z, q^2) \\ &= (1-q) c_{q,x} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{xk} J_{z-k}(q^{x-v+m-k}, q^2) J_{v+z-k}(q^{m-k}, q^2) j_x(q^k, q^2). \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\lambda = q^n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z},$$

and replace

$$k \rightarrow k+n, m \rightarrow m+n, z \rightarrow z+n.$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned} & q^{mv+z(x-v)}(1-q)^2 c_{q,v} c_{q,x-v} j_v(q^m \lambda, q^2) j_{x-v}(q^z \lambda, q^2) \\ &= (1-q) c_{q,x} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{xk} J_{z-k}(q^{x-v+m-k}, q^2) J_{v+z-k}(q^{m-k}, q^2) j_x(q^k \lambda, q^2) \\ &= (1-q) c_{q,x} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{2k(x+1)} q^{-k(x+2)} J_{z-k}(q^{x-v+m-k}, q^2) J_{v+z-k}(q^{m-k}, q^2) j_x(q^k \lambda, q^2). \end{aligned}$$

We put

$$E_{v,x}(q^m, q^z, q^k) = \frac{1}{(1-q)^2 c_{q,v} c_{q,x-v}} q^{-k(x+2)-mv-z(x-v)} J_{z-k}(q^{x-v+m-k}, q^2) J_{v+z-k}(q^{m-k}, q^2).$$

The Proposition 1 shows that the function:

$$\lambda \mapsto j_v(q^m \lambda, q^2) j_{x-v}(q^z \lambda, q^2), \quad \forall m, z \in \mathbb{Z},$$

belongs to the space  $\mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}$ . Theorem 1, part 1 leads to the following statement:

**Proposition 2** For  $z, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $x, v \in \mathbb{C}$  satisfying

$$\Re(x-v) > -1, \quad \Re(v) > -1$$

we have

$$j_v(q^m \lambda, q^2) j_{x-v}(q^z \lambda, q^2) = c_{q,x} \int_0^\infty E_{v,x}(q^m, q^z, t) j_x(\lambda t, q^2) t^{2x+1} d_q t,$$

and

$$E_{v,x}(q^m, q^z, q^k) = c_{q,x} \int_0^\infty j_v(q^m \lambda, q^2) j_{x-v}(q^z \lambda, q^2) j_x(q^k \lambda, q^2) \lambda^{2x+1} d_q \lambda.$$

### 3 Positivity of the $q$ -translation operator

This section is a direct application of the previous one but before any things we recall that the  $q$ -translation operator possess the  $q$ -integral representation (see [2])

**Proposition 3** *Let  $f \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}$  then*

$$T_{q,x}^v f(y) = \int_0^\infty f(z) D_v(x, y, z) z^{2v+1} d_q z,$$

where

$$D_v(x, y, z) = c_{q,v}^2 \int_0^\infty j_v(xt, q^2) j_v(yt, q^2) j_v(zt, q^2) t^{2v+1} d_q t.$$

When  $q$  tends to  $1^-$  we obtain at least formally the classical one and the  $q$ -kernel  $D_v(x, y, z)$  tends to the classical one ([1],[9]) which involves the area of some triangle. Hence the positivity of  $T_{q,x}^v$  is subject of those of  $D_v(x, y, z)$ . A direct consequence of the above result is the fact that if the operator  $T_{q,x}^v$  is positive and  $f \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}$  then  $T_{q,x}^v f \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}$  ( in general it is not true without this hypothesis). Indeed

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty |T_{q,x}^v f(y)| y^{2v+1} d_q t \\ & \leq \int_0^\infty T_{q,x}^v |f|(y) y^{2v+1} d_q t = \int_0^\infty |f(z)| \left[ \int_0^\infty D_v(x, y, z) y^{2v+1} d_q y \right] z^{2v+1} d_q z. \end{aligned}$$

Putting

$$\phi : t \mapsto j_v(xt, q^2) j_v(zt, q^2),$$

then we can write

$$D_v(x, y, z) = c_{q,v} \mathcal{F}_{q,v} \phi(y).$$

This gives by the of the inversion formula in Theorem 1 the important result as the classical; one

$$\int_0^\infty D_v(x, y, z) y^{2v+1} d_q y = \mathcal{F}_{q,v}^2 \phi(0) = \phi(0) = 1.$$

Then we have

$$\int_0^\infty |T_{q,x}^v f(y)| y^{2v+1} d_q t \leq \|f\|_{q,v,1},$$

and we obtain

$$f \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v} \Rightarrow T_{q,x}^v f \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}.$$

In [2] and as a first preamble of this theme the authors proved that

$$\begin{aligned} D_{-\frac{1}{2}}(q^m, q^r, q^k) &= \frac{q^{2(r-m)(k-m)-m}}{(1-q)(q; q)_I} (q^{2(r-m)+1}; q)_{\infty} {}_1\phi_1(0, q^{2(r-m)+1}, q; q^{2(k-m)+1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{1-q} q^{-m} J_{2(r-m)}(q^{k-m}, q), \end{aligned}$$

which implies that the correspondent domain of  $T_{q,x}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  is given by

$$Q_{-\frac{1}{2}} = ]0, q_0],$$

where  $q_0$  is the first zero of the  $q$ -hypergeometric function:

$$q \mapsto {}_1\phi_1(0, q, q, q);$$

a second statement is easily given by the Proposition 2 with  $x = v = 0$  which gives

$$\begin{aligned} E_{0,0}(q^m, q^z, q^k) &= c_{q,0} \int_0^{\infty} j_0(q^m \lambda, q^2) j_0(q^z \lambda, q^2) j_0(q^k \lambda, q^2) \lambda d_q \lambda \\ &= \frac{1}{c_{q,0}} D_0(q^m, q^z, q^k), \end{aligned}$$

and then

$$\begin{aligned} D_0(q^m, q^z, q^k) &= c_{q,0} E_{0,0}(q^m, q^z, q^k) \\ &= \frac{1}{(1-q)} q^{-2k} \left[ J_{z-k}(q^{m-k}, q^2) \right]^2, \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$Q_0 = ]0, 1[.$$

Now we explicit the kernel in the production formula in terms of  $D_v$ .

**Proposition 4** For  $n, m, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $-1 < v$  we have

$$E_{v,v}(q^m, q^n, q^k) = (1-q) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2v)} D_v(q^m, q^{i+n}, q^k).$$

**Proof.** From the following formula (see[7], §5) “which can be proved in a straightforward way by substitution of the defining series for the  $q$ -Bessel



functions on both sides, by interchanging summations, and by evaluating the q-binomial series which occurs”

$$J_{x-v}(\lambda, q^2) = \lambda^{-v} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+x)} J_x(\lambda q^i, q^2),$$

where  $\Re(x-v) > -1$  and  $\Re(x) > -1$  we obtain

$$(1-q)c_{q,x-v} j_{x-v}(\lambda, q^2) = (1-q)c_{q,x} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2x)} j_x(\lambda q^i, q^2).$$

Put  $x = v$  and change  $\lambda$  by  $q^n \lambda$  we obtain

$$j_0(q^n \lambda, q^2) = (1-q)c_{q,v} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2v)} j_v(\lambda q^{i+n}, q^2),$$

which gives from Proposition 2

$$\begin{aligned} E_{v,v}(q^m, q^n, q^k) &= c_{q,v} \int_0^{\infty} j_v(q^m \lambda, q^2) j_0(q^n \lambda, q^2) j_v(q^k \lambda, q^2) \lambda^{2v+1} d_q \lambda \\ &= (1-q) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2v)} \\ &\quad \times \left[ c_{q,v}^2 \int_0^{\infty} j_v(q^m \lambda, q^2) j_v(q^{i+n} \lambda, q^2) j_v(q^k \lambda, q^2) \lambda^{2v+1} d_q \lambda \right] \\ &= (1-q) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2v)} D_v(q^m, q^{i+n}, q^k). \end{aligned}$$

We justify the exchange of the signs sum and integral by

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{|(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i|}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2v)} \int_0^{\infty} \left| j_v(q^m \lambda, q^2) j_v(q^{i+n} \lambda, q^2) j_v(q^k \lambda, q^2) \lambda^{2v+1} \right| d_q \lambda \\ &\leq \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,\infty}^2 \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,1,v} q^{-2(v+1)m} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{|(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i|}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2v)} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

So we obtain the result. ■

**Proposition 5** *Let  $-1 < v < 0$  then*

$$Q_v \subsetneq ]0, 1[.$$

**Proof.** For  $m, n, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $-1 < v < 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_{v,v}(q^m, q^n, q^k) &= \frac{1}{(1-q)c_{q,v}} q^{-k(v+2)-mv} J_{n-k}(q^{m-k}, q^2) J_{v+n-k}(q^{m-k}, q^2) \\ &= (1-q) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2v)} D_v(q^m, q^{i+n}, q^k). \end{aligned}$$

In particular for  $m = n = k = 0$

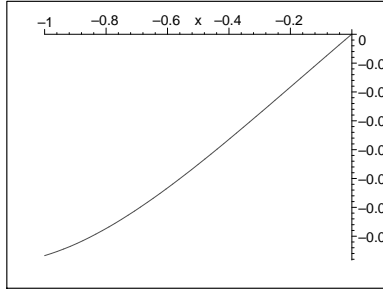
$$E_{v,v}(1, 1, 1) = \frac{1}{(1-q)c_{q,v}} J_0(1, q^2) J_v(1, q^2).$$

We introduce the following function

$$\phi_v : q \mapsto (q^2, q^2)_{\infty}^2 J_v(1, q^2).$$

Let  $q_1 \simeq 0.658$  the first zero of  $\phi_0$  and consider the graph of the function

$$v \mapsto \phi_v(q_1), \quad v \in [0, 1].$$



We conclude that for  $-1 < v < 0$  we have  $\phi_v(q_1) < 0$ . Then there exist a very small  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $\phi_v(q_1 - \varepsilon) < 0$  and  $\phi_0(q_1 - \varepsilon) > 0$ . Hence, this function

$$q \mapsto J_0(1, q^2) J_v(1, q^2) < 0,$$

takes some negative values in the interval  $]0, 1[$ , then for some entire  $i \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\frac{(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2v)} D_v(1, q^i, 1) < 0.$$

As

$$\frac{(q^{-2v}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{i(2+2v)} > 0,$$

then  $D_v(1, q^i, 1) < 0$  for some entire  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Which prove that

$$Q_v \not\subseteq ]0, 1[.$$

This finish the proof. ■

**Lemma 1** For  $x \in \mathbb{R}_q^+$  and  $\Re(v+t) > -1$  we have

$$(1-q)c_{q,v} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{(1+v+t)n} j_v(q^n x, q^2) = \frac{(q^{1+v-t}; q^2)_\infty}{(q^{1+v+t}; q^2)_\infty} x^{-(1+v+t)}.$$

**Proof.** In [6] the following result was proved

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{(1+t)n} J_v(q^n, q^2) = \frac{(q^{1+v-t}; q^2)_\infty}{(q^{1+v+t}; q^2)_\infty}, \quad \Re(v+t) > -1.$$

Then we get

$$(1-q)c_{q,v} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{(1+v+t)n} j_v(q^n, q^2) = \frac{(q^{1+v-t}; q^2)_\infty}{(q^{1+v+t}; q^2)_\infty}.$$

Hence for  $x = q^k \in \mathbb{R}_q^+$  we have

$$(1-q)c_{q,v} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{(1+v+t)(n+k)} j_v(q^{n+k}, q^2) = \frac{(q^{1+v-t}; q^2)_\infty}{(q^{1+v+t}; q^2)_\infty}.$$

This finish the proof. ■

**Theorem 2** Let  $v \geq x > -1$  then

$$Q_x \subset Q_v.$$

As consequence

- If  $0 \leq v$  then  $Q_v = ]0, 1[$ .
- If  $-\frac{1}{2} \leq v < 0$  then  $]0, q_0] \subset Q_v \subsetneq ]0, 1[$ .
- If  $-1 < v \leq -\frac{1}{2}$  then  $Q_v \subset ]0, q_0]$ .

**Proof.** Let  $v > -1$  and  $0 < \mu < 1$ . We will prove that

$$Q_v \subset Q_{v+\mu},$$

which suffices to show that  $Q_x \subset Q_v$  if  $x \leq v$ . In the following we tack  $q \in Q_v$ . We have

$$c_{q,v+\mu} j_{v+\mu}(t, q^2) = c_{q,v} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{2\mu}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} q^{2(v+1)i} j_v(tq^i, q^2),$$

and then

$$\begin{aligned}
& c_{q,v} c_{q,v+\mu}^2 j_v(tx, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(ty, q^2) j_v(tz, q^2) \\
&= c_{q,v}^3 \sum_{i,j,s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{2\mu}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} \frac{(q^{2\mu}, q^2)_j}{(q^2, q^2)_j} q^{2(1+v)(i+j)} \\
&\quad \times j_v(tx, q^2) j_v(tq^i y, q^2) j_v(tq^j z, q^2),
\end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned}
& c_{q,v} T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z) \\
&= c_{q,v} \sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{2\mu}, q^2)_i}{(q^2, q^2)_i} \frac{(q^{2\mu}, q^2)_j}{(q^2, q^2)_j} q^{2(1+v)(i+j)} D_v(x, q^i y, q^j z) \geq 0,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$T_{v,w,\alpha}(x, y, z) = c_{q,w}^2 \int_0^{\infty} j_v(tx, q^2) j_w(ty, q^2) j_w(tz, q^2) t^{2\alpha+1} d_q t.$$

Note that

$$T_{v,v,v}(x, y, z) = D_v(x, y, z).$$

The exchange of the signs sum and integral is valid since:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)(i+j)} \int_0^{\infty} |j_v(q^m t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{n+i} t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{k+j} t, q^2)| t^{2v+1} d_q t \\
&= \sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)(i+j)} \int_0^1 |j_v(q^m t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{n+i} t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{k+j} t, q^2)| t^{2v+1} d_q t \\
&+ \sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)(i+j)} \int_1^{\infty} |j_v(q^m t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{n+i} t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{k+j} t, q^2)| t^{2v+1} d_q t.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)(i+j)} \int_0^1 |j_v(q^m t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{n+i} t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{k+j} t, q^2)| t^{2v+1} d_q t \\
&\leq \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,\infty}^3 \left[ \sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)(i+j)} \right] \int_0^1 t^{2v+1} d_q t < \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)(i+j)} \int_1^{\infty} |j_v(q^m t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{n+i} t, q^2)| |j_v(q^{k+j} t, q^2)| t^{2v+1} d_q t \\
&= (1-q) \sum_{i,j,r'=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)(i+j-r)} |j_v(q^{m-r}, q^2)| |j_v(q^{n+i-r}, q^2)| |j_v(q^{k+j-r}, q^2)| \\
&= \sum_{j,r'=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)j} |j_v(q^{m-r}, q^2)| |j_v(q^{k+j-r}, q^2)| \times \left[ (1-q) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)(i-r)} |j_v(q^{n+i-r}, q^2)| \right],
\end{aligned}$$

where  $r' = r - 1$ . We write

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)(i-r)} |j_v(q^{n+i-r}, q^2)| &= q^{-2(1+v)n} (1-q) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q^{2(n+i-r)} |j_v(q^{n+i-r}, q^2)| \\
&= q^{-2(1+v)n} (1-q) \sum_{i=m-r}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)i} |j_v(q^i, q^2)| \\
&< q^{-2(1+v)n} \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,1,v}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j,r'=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)j} |j_v(q^{m-r}, q^2)| |j_v(q^{k+j-r}, q^2)| \\
&= \sum_{s,r'=0}^{\infty} |j_v(q^{m-r}, q^2)| \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)j} |j_v(q^{k+j-r}, q^2)| \right] \\
&= \sum_{r'=0}^{\infty} |j_v(q^{m-r}, q^2)| \left[ q^{2(1+v)(r-k)} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^{2(k+j-r)} |j_0(q^{k+j-r}, q^2)| \right] \\
&= \sum_{s,r'=0}^{\infty} q^{2s} |j_v(q^{m-r}, q^2)| \left[ q^{2(v+1)(r-k)} \sum_{j=k-r}^{\infty} q^{2(1+v)j} |j_0(q^j, q^2)| \right] \\
&\leq \frac{q^{-2(v+1)k}}{1-q} \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,1,v} \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,\infty} \sum_{r'=0}^{\infty} q^{2(v+1)r} < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $0 < \alpha < \mu$ . We introduce the function  $A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x)$  as follows:

$$A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) = c_{q,v} \int_0^{\infty} t^{2\alpha} j_{v+\mu}(t, q^2) j_v(xt, q^2) t^{2v+1} d_q t.$$

From the inversion formula in Theorem 1 ( $t \mapsto t^{2\alpha} j_{v+\mu}(t, q^2) \in \mathcal{L}_{q,1,v}$ ) we get

$$c_{q,v} \int_0^\infty A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) j_v(xt, q^2) x^{2v+1} d_q x = t^{2\alpha} j_{v+\mu}(t, q^2).$$

Let  $x \leq 1$ . From Lemma 1 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) \\ &= c_{q,v}(1-q) \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{2(\alpha+v+1)n} j_v(xq^n, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(q^n, q^2) \\ &= c_{q,v}(1-q) \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[ \sum_{i=0}^\infty (-1)^i \frac{q^{i(i+1)}}{(q^{2+2v}, q^2)_i (q^2, q^2)_i} \right] q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)n} j_{v+\mu}(q^n, q^2) \\ &= c_{q,v}(1-q) \sum_{i=0}^\infty (-1)^i \frac{q^{i(i+1)}}{(q^{2+2v}, q^2)_i (q^2, q^2)_i} x^{2i} \left[ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)n} j_{v+\mu}(q^n, q^2) \right] \\ &= \frac{c_{q,v}}{c_{q,v+\mu}} \sum_{i=0}^\infty (-1)^i \frac{q^{i(i+1)}}{(q^{2+2v}, q^2)_i (q^2, q^2)_i} x^{2i} \frac{(q^{2(1+v+\mu)-2(\alpha+v+1+i)}, q^2)_\infty}{(q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)}, q^2)_\infty} \\ &= \frac{c_{q,v}}{c_{q,v+\mu}} \sum_{i=0}^\infty (-1)^i \frac{q^{i(i+1)}}{(q^{2+2v}, q^2)_i (q^2, q^2)_i} x^{2i} \frac{(q^{2(\mu-\alpha)} q^{-2i}, q^2)_\infty}{(q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)}, q^2)_\infty} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$0 < \mu - \alpha < 1.$$

The exchange of the signs sum is valid since. Indeed, let  $q^k = x$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=0}^\infty q^{i(i+1)} q^{2ik} \left[ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)n} |j_{v+\mu}(q^n, q^2)| \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^\infty q^{i(i+1)} q^{2ik} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^\infty q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)n} |j_{v+\mu}(q^n, q^2)| \right] \\ &+ \sum_{i=0}^\infty q^{i(i+1)} q^{2ik} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^\infty q^{-2(\alpha+v+1+i)n} |j_{v+\mu}(q^{-n}, q^2)| \right] \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^\infty q^{i(i+1)} q^{2ik} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^\infty q^{2(\alpha+v+1)n} \right] \\ &+ \sum_{i=0}^\infty q^{i(i+1)} q^{2ik} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^\infty q^{-2(\alpha+v+1+i)n+n^2+(2v+2\mu+1)n} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

One has to observe that the first sum exist. The second sum also:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q^{i(i+1)} q^{2ik} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q^{-2(\alpha+v+1+i)n+n^2+(2v+2\mu+1)n} \right] \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q^{-2(\alpha+v+1+i)n+n^2+(2v+2\mu+1)n} \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q^{i(i+1)} q^{2ik} \right] \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q^{-2(\alpha+v+1)n+(2v+2\mu+1)n+(2k+1)n} \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} q^{(i-n)^2} q^{(2k+1)(i-n)} \right] \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q^{2(\mu-\alpha)n+(2k+1)n} \left[ \sum_{i=-n}^{\infty} q^{i^2} q^{(2k+1)i} \right] \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q^{2(\mu-\alpha)n+(2k+1)n} \left[ \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} q^{i^2} q^{(2k+1)i} \right] < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

If  $x > 1$  then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) \\
&= c_{q,v}(1-q) \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{2(\alpha+v+1)n} j_v(xq^n, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(q^n, q^2) \\
&= c_{q,v}(1-q) \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{q^{i(i+1)}}{(q^{2+2v}, q^2)_i (q^2, q^2)_i} \right] q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)n} j_v(q^n x, q^2) \\
&= c_{q,v}(1-q) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{q^{i(i+1)}}{(q^{2+2v+2\mu}, q^2)_i (q^2, q^2)_i} \left[ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)n} j_v(q^n x, q^2) \right] \\
&= x^{-2(\alpha+v+1)} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{q^{i(i+1)}}{(q^{2+2v+2\mu}, q^2)_i (q^2, q^2)_i} x^{-2i} \frac{(q^{2(1+v)-2(\alpha+v+1+i)}, q^2)_{\infty}}{(q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)}, q^2)_{\infty}} \\
&= x^{-2(\alpha+v+1)} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{q^{i(i+1)}}{(q^{2+2v+2\mu}, q^2)_i (q^2, q^2)_i} x^{-2i} \frac{(q^{-2\alpha} q^{-2i}, q^2)_{\infty}}{(q^{2(\alpha+v+1+i)}, q^2)_{\infty}} < 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we write

$$\begin{aligned}
& c_{q,v} \int_0^{\infty} A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z) x^{2v+1} d_q x \\
&= c_{q,v} \int_0^{\infty} A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) \left[ c_{q,v}^2 \int_0^{\infty} j_w(xt, q^2) j_v(yt, q^2) j_v(zt, q^2) t^{2v+1} d_q t \right] x^{2v+1} d_q x \\
&= c_{q,v+\mu}^2 \int_0^{\infty} \left[ c_{q,v} \int_0^{\infty} A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) j_v(xt, q^2) x^{2v+1} d_q x \right] j_{v+\mu}(yt, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(zt, q^2) t^{2v+1} d_q t \\
&= c_{q,v+\mu}^2 \int_0^{\infty} j_{v+\mu}(t, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(yt, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(zt, q^2) t^{2(v+\alpha)+1} d_q t = T_{v+\mu,v+\mu,v+\alpha}(1, y, z).
\end{aligned}$$

To justify the exchange of the signs integrals we write

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty \left[ \int_0^\infty |A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x)| |j_v(xt, q^2)| x^{2v+1} d_q x \right] |j_v(yt, q^2)| |j_v(zt, q^2)| t d_q t \\ & \leq \left[ \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,\infty}^2 \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,1,v} \|A_{\alpha,\mu,v}\|_{q,1,v} \right] \frac{1}{z}. \end{aligned}$$

Not that  $x \mapsto A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x)$  is continued at 0 and

$$|A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x)| \leq \left[ \|j_{v+\mu}(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,\infty} \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,1,\alpha+v} \right] x^{-2(\alpha+v+1)}, \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

On the other hand

$$\int_0^\infty A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) x^{2v+1} d_q x = 0,$$

then we obtain for all  $\delta > 0$

$$T_{v+\mu,v+\mu,v+\alpha}(1, y, z) = \int_0^\infty A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) \left[ T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z) - \delta \right] x^{2v+1} d_q x.$$

In the following we assume that  $0 < y, z \leq 1$ . Let

$$\delta_0 = \inf_{0 \leq y, z \leq 1} T_{v,v+\mu,v}(1, y, z)$$

Not that  $\delta_0$  exist and strictly positive, indeed the following function

$$(y, z) \mapsto T_{v,v+\mu,v}(1, y, z)$$

is continuous on the compact  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ . Hence, there exist

$$(y_0, z_0) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$$

such that

$$\delta_0 = T_{v,v+\mu,v}(1, y_0, z_0) = \inf_{0 \leq y, z \leq 1} T_{v,v+\mu,v}(1, y, z) \geq 0.$$

If we assume that  $T_{v,v+\mu,v}(1, y_0, z_0) = 0$  then

$$\sum_{i,j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{2\mu}, q^2)_i (q^{2\mu}, q^2)_j}{(q^2, q^2)_i (q^2, q^2)_j} q^{2(1+v)(i+j)} D_v(1, q^i y_0, q^j z_0) = 0,$$

which implies that

$$c_{q,v} \mathcal{F}_{q,v} \left[ t \mapsto j_v(t, q^2) j_v(z_0 t, q^2) \right] (q^i y_0) = D_v(1, q^i y_0, z_0) = 0, \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N}.$$



From Proposition 1 and the fact that there exist  $\sigma_0 > 0$  such that

$$|j_v(z, q^2)| \leq \sigma_0 e^{|z|}, \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$$

we see that this function

$$z \mapsto \mathcal{F}_{q,v} \left[ t \mapsto j_v(t, q^2) j_v(z_0 t, q^2) \right] (z)$$

is analytic. Then for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}_q$

$$\mathcal{F}_{q,v} \left[ t \mapsto j_v(t, q^2) j_v(z_0 t, q^2) \right] (x) = 0 \Rightarrow j_v(t, q^2) j_v(z_0 t, q^2) = 0, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}_q,$$

but this is absurd. Then  $\delta_0 > 0$ . Now we have

$$\delta_0 \leq T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z), \quad \forall 0 < x \leq 1.$$

If

$$\delta_0 > T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z), \quad \forall x > 1.$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} T_{v+\mu,v+\mu,v+\alpha}(1, y, z) &= \int_0^1 A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) \left[ T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z) - \delta_0 \right] x^{2v+1} d_q x \\ &\quad + \int_1^\infty A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) \left[ T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z) - \delta_0 \right] x^{2v+1} d_q x \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Otherwise, there exist  $s > 0$  such that

$$\delta_0 > T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z), \quad \forall x > s.$$

because

$$|T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z)| < c_{q,v+\mu}^2 \|j_{v+\mu}(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,\infty}^2 \times \|j_v(\cdot, q^2)\|_{q,v,1} x^{-2(v+1)} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

For  $\delta \geq \delta_0$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} T_{v+\mu,v+\mu,v+\alpha}(1, y, z) &= \int_0^1 A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) \left[ T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z) - \delta \right] x^{2v+1} d_q x \\ &\quad + \int_1^s A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) \left[ T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z) - \delta \right] x^{2v+1} d_q x \\ &\quad + \int_s^\infty A_{\alpha,\mu,v}(x) \left[ T_{v,v+\mu,v}(x, y, z) - \delta \right] x^{2v+1} d_q x \\ &= I_1(\delta) + I_2(\delta) + I_3(\delta). \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\begin{cases} \delta \mapsto I_1(\delta) \text{ is a decreasing function tends towards } -\infty \text{ and } I_1(\delta_0) > 0 \\ \delta \mapsto I_2(\delta) \text{ is an increasing function tends towards } +\infty \text{ and } I_2(\delta_0) < 0 \\ \delta \mapsto I_3(\delta) \text{ is an increasing function tends towards } +\infty \text{ and } I_3(\delta_0) > 0 \end{cases}$$

then there exist  $\delta > \delta_0$  such that

$$I_1(\delta) + I_2(\delta) = 0$$

which implies

$$T_{v+\mu, v+\mu, v+\alpha}(1, y, z) = I_3(\delta) > 0.$$

In the end

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \mu} [T_{v+\mu, v+\mu, v+\alpha}(1, y, z)] \\ &= \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \mu} \left[ c_{q, v+\mu}^2 \int_0^\infty j_{v+\mu}(t, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(yt, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(zt, q^2) t^{2(v+\alpha)+1} d_q t \right] \\ &= c_{q, v+\mu}^2 \int_0^\infty j_{v+\mu}(t, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(yt, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(zt, q^2) \left( \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \mu} t^{2(v+\alpha)+1} \right) d_q t \\ &= T_{v+\mu, v+\mu, v+\alpha}(1, y, z) = D_{v+\mu}(1, y, z) \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

It is not hard to justify the exchange of the signs integral and limit, in fact

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| j_{v+\mu}(t, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(yt, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(zt, q^2) t^{2(v+\alpha)+1} \right| \\ & \leq \left\| t \mapsto j_{v+\mu}(yt, q^2) j_{v+\mu}(zt, q^2) t^{2(v+\alpha)+1} \right\|_{q, \infty} \times |j_{v+\mu}(t, q^2)|. \end{aligned}$$

From the following identity

$$D_{v+\mu}(x, y, z) = x^{-2(v+\mu+1)} D_{v+\mu} \left( 1, \frac{y}{x}, \frac{z}{x} \right),$$

we deduce that

$$D_{v+\mu}(x, y, z) \geq 0, \quad \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_q^+.$$

The fact that

$$Q_{-\frac{1}{2}} = ]0, q_0] \quad \text{and} \quad Q_0 = ]0, 1[$$

leads to the result. ■

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