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# $q$ -Analogue of Ruscheweyh Operator and its Applications to Certain Subclass of Uniformly starlike Functions

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**Abstract.** Motivating by  $q$ -analogue theory, we define here  $q$ -analogue of Ruscheweyh differential operator. Also, we introduce a new subclass of uniformly starlike functions with negative coefficients and obtain the coefficient bounds, distortion theorem for functions belonging to this class.

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## INTRODUCTION

The theory of  $q$ -analogues is an active field of research to day since it has assumed of significant importance for studying  $q$ -calculus ( $q$ -differentiation and  $q$ -integration). This theory of  $q$ -analogues or  $q$ -extensions of classical formulas and functions based on the observation that

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} \frac{1 - q^\alpha}{1 - q} = \alpha.$$

Therefore, the number  $\frac{(1 - q^\alpha)}{(1 - q)}$  is sometimes called the basic number  $[\alpha]_q$ .

The theory of  $q$ -analogues find applications in a number of areas including combinatorial theory,  $q$ -deformed superalgebras, hypergeometric orthogonal polynomials, dynamical systems and physics. This paper is an attempt to give a connection of  $q$ -analogues theory and geometric function theory by obtaining the  $q$ -analogue of Ruscheweyh differential operator using basic hypergeometric function and defining a new class of uniformly starlike functions.

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

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad (1)$$

which are analytic and univalent in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Also, denote by  $T$  the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad (a_k \geq 0) \quad (1)$$

A function  $f$  is uniformly convex (uniformly starlike) in  $\mathbb{U}$ , if  $f$  is in  $CV(S^*)$  and has the property that for every circular arc  $\gamma$  contained in  $\mathbb{U}$ , with center  $\xi$  also in  $\mathbb{U}$ , the arc  $f(\gamma)$  is convex (starlike) with respect to  $f(\xi)$ . The class of uniformly convex functions is denoted by  $UCV$  and the class of uniformly starlike functions by  $US^*$ . Analytically,

$$f(z) \in UCV \Leftrightarrow \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right|, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}.$$

In [1,2], Ronning introduced a new class of starlike functions related to  $UCV$  defined as

$$f(z) \in S_p \Leftrightarrow \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right|, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}.$$

Note that,  $f \in UCV \Leftrightarrow zf' \in S_p$ . These classes have been extensively studied by Goodman [3,4], Kanas and srivastava[5], Ma and Minda [6] . Moreover, Shams, Kulkarni and Jahangiri [7] introduced the subclass  $US_p^*(\alpha, \beta)$  of uniformly  $\beta$ -starlike functions of order  $\alpha$ , consisting of functions which satisfy

$$Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \alpha \right\} > \beta \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right|, z \in \mathbb{U},$$

for some  $0 \leq \alpha < 1, \beta \geq 0$ . Later, the class was studied by Nishiwaki and Owa[8].

Let  $f, g \in \mathcal{A}$ , where  $f$  is defined by (2) and  $g$  is given by

$$g(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} b_k z^k.$$

Then, the Hadamard product (or convolution)  $f * g$  of the functions  $f$  and  $g$  is defined by

$$(f * g)(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k.$$

One of the most important summation formulas for hypergeometric series is given by the binomial Series is

$${}_2F_1(a, c, c; z) = {}_1F_0(a, -; z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k}{k!} z^k = (1-z)^{-a}, \quad a \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $|z| < 1$ . The  $q$ -analogue of this formula is defined by

$${}_1\phi_0(a, -; q; z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_k}{(q; q)_k} z^k, \quad |z| < 1, |q| < 1, (2)$$

which was derived by Cauchy (1843), Heine (1847) and by other mathematicians.  $(a, q)_k$  is the  $q$ -analogue of the Pochhammer symbol  $(a)_k$  defined by

$$(a, q)_k = \begin{cases} 1, & k = 0; \\ (1-a)(1-aq)(1-aq^2)\dots(1-aq^{k-1}), & k \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

It is clear that

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} \frac{(q^a; q)_k}{(1-q)^k} = (a)_k.$$

By using the ratio test, one recognize that, if  $|q| < 1$ , the  $q$  series (3) (also called basic hypergeometric series) converges absolutely for  $|z| < 1$ . For more details concerning the  $q$ -theory may refer to [9,10].

Replacing  $a$  by  $(\lambda + 1, \lambda > -1)$  in (3), we now define the  $q$ -analogue of Ruscheweyh differential operator  $\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z) &= {}_1\phi_0(a, -; q; z) * f(z) \\ &= z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda+1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} a_k z^k, \quad \lambda > -1, |z| < 1, |q| < 1. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Observe that if  $\lambda + 1 = q^{\mu+1}, \mu > -1$ , we have

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} \mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z) = z + \lim_{q \rightarrow 1} \left[ \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(q^{\mu+1}; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} a_k z^k \right] = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\mu+1)_{k-1}}{k!} a_k z^k = \mathcal{D}^\mu f(z),$$

where  $\mathcal{D}^\mu f(z)$  is Ruscheweyh differential operator [11].

For  $-1 < \alpha \leq 1, \beta \geq 0$ , we let  $S_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$  be the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of functions of the form (1) and satisfying the analytic criterion

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z(\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z))'}{\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)} - \alpha \right\} > \beta \left| \frac{z(\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z))'}{\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)} - 1 \right|, z \in \mathbb{U}, (4)$$

where  $\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)$  is given by (4). We also let  $TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta) = S_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta) \cap T$ .

## BASIC PROPERTIES

In this section we obtain a necessary and sufficient condition for functions  $f$  in the classes  $S_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$  and  $TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$ .

**Theorem 1.** A function  $f(z)$  of the form (1) is in  $S_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$  if

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k(1 + \beta) - (\alpha + \beta)] \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha, (5)$$

where  $-1 < \alpha \leq 1, \beta \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq \gamma \leq 1$

**Proof.** It suffices to show that

$$\beta \left| \frac{z(\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z))'}{\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)} - 1 \right| - \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z(\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z))'}{\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)} - 1 \right\} \leq 1 - \alpha.$$

We have

$$\beta \left| \frac{z(\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z))'}{\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)} - 1 \right| - \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{z(\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z))'}{\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)} - 1 \right\} \leq (1 + \beta) \left| \frac{z(\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z))'}{\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)} - 1 \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(1 + \beta) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k - 1) \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k|}{1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k|}.$$

This last expression is bounded above by  $(1 - \alpha)$  if

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k(1 + \beta) - (\alpha + \beta)] \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha,$$

hence the proof is complete.

**Theorem 2.** A necessary and sufficient condition for  $f(z)$  of the form (2) to be in the class  $TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$  is that

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k(1 + \beta) - (\alpha + \beta)] \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha,$$

where  $-1 < \alpha \leq 1, \beta \geq 0$ .

**Proof.** In view of Theorem 1, we need only to prove the necessary condition. If  $f \in TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$  and  $z$  is real then

$$\frac{1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} a_k z^{k-1}}{1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} a_k z^{k-1}} - \alpha$$

$$\geq \beta \left| \frac{\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k-1) \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k|}{1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k|} \right|$$

Letting  $z \rightarrow 1$  along the real axis, we obtain the desired inequality

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k(1 + \beta) - (\alpha + \beta)] \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha.$$

The next theorem shows that the class  $TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$  is closed under linear convex combination.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f_i(z), i = 1, 2$  defined by (2) in the class  $TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$ . Then, the function  $F(z)$  is defined by

$$F(z) = (1 - \eta)f_1(z) + \eta f_2(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} c_k z^k,$$

where  $(c_k = (1 - \eta)a_{k,1} + \eta a_{k,2}), 0 \leq \eta < 1$  is also in the class  $TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$ .

**Proof.** Since

$$f_i(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_{k,i} z^k, \quad a_{k,i} \geq 0, i = 1, 2,$$

in  $TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$ , so that

$$F(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [\eta a_{k,1} + (1 - \eta)a_{k,2}] z^k, \quad 0 \leq \eta \leq 1.$$

An easy computation with the aid of Theorem 2 gives

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k(1 + \beta) - (\alpha + \beta)] \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} \eta a_{k,1}$$

$$+ \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k(1 + \beta) - (\alpha + \beta)] \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} (1 - \eta) a_{k,2}$$

$$\leq \eta(1 - \alpha) + (1 - \eta)(1 - \alpha) \leq 1 - \alpha,$$

which implies that  $F \in TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$ . Hence  $TS_p^*(q, \alpha, \beta)$  is closed under linear convex combination.

**Theorem 4.** Let the hypotheses of Theorem 2 be satisfied. Then, for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and  $-1 \leq \alpha \leq 1, \beta \geq 0$ , we have

$$|\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)| \leq |z| - \frac{1-\alpha}{[2-\alpha+\beta]} |z|^2 \text{ and } |\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)| \geq |z| + \frac{1-\alpha}{[2-\alpha+\beta]} |z|^2$$

**Proof.** By using Theorem 2, one can verify that

$$[2 - \alpha + \beta] \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k| \leq \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k(1 + \beta) - (\alpha + \beta)] \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k|$$

$$\leq 1 - \alpha,$$

then

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k| \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{[2 - \alpha + \beta]}.$$

Thus we obtain

$$|\mathcal{D}_q^\lambda f(z)| \leq |z| + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k| |z|^k$$

$$\leq |z| + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 1; q)_{k-1}}{(q; q)_{k-1}} |a_k| |z|^2$$

$$\leq |z| + \frac{1 - \alpha}{[2 - \alpha + \beta]} |z|^2.$$

The proof of the second assertion is similar to the proof of the first assertion.

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