



Indefinite q -integrals from a method using q -Riccati equations

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Abstract

In an earlier work, a method was introduced for obtaining indefinite q -integrals of q -special functions from the second-order linear q -difference equations that define them. In this paper, we reformulate the method in terms of q -Riccati equations, which are nonlinear and first order. We derive q -integrals using fragments of these Riccati equations, and here only two specific fragment types are examined in detail. The results presented here are for the q -Airy function, the Ramanujan function, the discrete q -Hermite I and II polynomials, the q -hypergeometric functions, the q -Laguerre polynomials, the Stieltjes-Wigert polynomial, the little q -Legendre and the big q -Legendre polynomials.

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1 Introduction and preliminaries

In [14], we introduced a method to obtain indefinite q -integrals of the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \int f(x) \left(\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q h(x) + p(x) D_{q^{-1}} h(x) + r(x) h(x) \right) y(x) d_q x \\ &= f(x/q) \left(y(x) D_{q^{-1}} h(x) - h(x) D_{q^{-1}} y(x) \right) \\ &= f(x/q) \left(y(x/q) D_{q^{-1}} h(x) - h(x/q) D_{q^{-1}} y(x) \right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.1)$$

where the functions $p(x)$ and $r(x)$ are continuous functions in an interval I and the function $y(x)$ is a solution of the second-order q -difference equation

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) + p(x) D_{q^{-1}} y(x) + r(x) y(x) = 0, \quad (1.2)$$

$f(x)$ is a solution of

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} f(x) = p(x) f(x) \quad (1.3)$$

and $h(x)$ is an arbitrary function. We also introduced

$$\begin{aligned} & \int F(x) \left(\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q k(x) + p(x) D_q k(x) + r(x) k(x) \right) y(x) d_q x \\ &= F(x) \left(y(x) D_{q^{-1}} k(x) - k(x) D_{q^{-1}} y(x) \right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

where $y(x)$ is a solution of

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) + p(x) D_q y(x) + r(x) y(x) = 0. \quad (1.5)$$

$F(x)$ is a solution of

$$D_q F(x) = p(x) F(x), \quad (1.6)$$

and $k(x)$ is an arbitrary function. The indefinite q -integral

$$\int f(x) d_q x = F(x), \quad (1.7)$$

means that $D_q F(x) = f(x)$, where D_q is the Jackson's q -difference operator, which is defined in (1.13) below. The indefinite q -integrals in (1.1) and (1.4) generalize Conway's indefinite integral

$$\int f(x) \left(\frac{d^2h}{dx^2} + p(x) \frac{dh}{dx} + r(x)h(x) \right) y(x)dx = f(x) \left(\frac{dh}{dx} y(x) - h(x) \frac{dy}{dx} \right), \tag{1.8}$$

where $y(x)$ is a solution of

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + p(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + r(x)y(x) = 0, \tag{1.9}$$

$f(x)$ is a solution of $f'(x) = p(x)f(x)$ and $h(x)$ is an arbitrary function. See [2–7, 10]. Conway in [8, 9] reformulated (1.8) to take the form

$$\int f(x)h(x) \left(u'(x) + u^2(x) + p(x)u(x) + r(x) \right) y(x)dx = f(x)h(x) \left(u(x)y(x) - y'(x) \right), \tag{1.10}$$

where

$$h(x) = \exp \left(\int u(x)dx \right),$$

and $u(x)$ is an arbitrary function. Then, he derived many indefinite integrals by considering fragments of the Riccati equation

$$u'(x) + u^2(x) + p(x)u(x) + r(x) = 0,$$

of the form

$$u'(x) + u^2(x) + p(x)u(x) = 0, \tag{1.11}$$

or

$$u'(x) + p(x)u(x) + r(x) = 0. \tag{1.12}$$

He identified (1.11) as the Bernoulli fragment, and (1.12) as the linear fragment. This paper is organized as follows. In the remainder of this section, we present the q -notations and concepts required in the next sections. In Sect. 2, we provide a q -analogue of Conway’s indefinite integral formula in (1.10) to the q -setting, along with applications to q -hypergeometric functions, q -Legendre polynomials, discrete q -Hermite I and II polynomials, the q -Airy function, and the Ramanujan function. Section 3 contains applications to the discrete q -Hermite I and II polynomials, the q -Airy function, and the Ramanujan function. In Sect. 4, we introduce new q -integrals by setting $u(x) = \frac{a}{x} + b$, with appropriate choice of a and b in (6.2) and (6.4). Finally, we added an appendix for all q -special functions, we used in this paper.

Throughout this paper, q is a positive number less than 1, \mathbb{N} is the set of positive integers, and \mathbb{N}_0 is the set of non-negative integers. We use I to denote an interval with

zero or infinity as an accumulation point. We follow Gasper and Rahman [11] for the definitions of the q -shifted factorial, q -gamma, q -beta function, and q -hypergeometric series.

A q -natural number $[n]_q$ is defined by $[n]_q = \frac{1-q^n}{1-q}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. Jackson’s q -derivative of a function f is denoted by $D_q f(x)$ and is defined as

$$D_q f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(x)-f(qx)}{(1-q)x}, & \text{if } x \neq 0; \\ f'(0), & \text{if } x = 0, \end{cases} \tag{1.13}$$

provided that $f'(0)$ exists (see [13–15]). Jackson’s q -integral of a function f is defined by

$$\int_0^a f(t)d_q t := (1-q)a \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^n f(aq^n), \quad a \in \mathbb{R}, \tag{1.14}$$

provided that the corresponding series in (1.14) converges, see [16].

The fundamental theorem of q -calculus [1, Eq. (1.29)]

$$\int_0^a D_q f(t)d_q t = f(a) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(aq^n). \tag{1.15}$$

If f is continuous at zero, then

$$\int_0^a D_q f(t)d_q t = f(a) - f(0).$$

2 q -Integrals from Riccati fragments

In this section, we extend Conway’s result (1.10) to functions satisfying homogenous second-order q -difference equation of the form (1.2) or (1.5). Consider the q -Riccati equations

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} u(x) + \frac{1}{q} u(x)u(x/q) + A(x)u(x/q) + r(x) = 0, \tag{2.1}$$

and

$$D_q u(x) + u(x)u(qx) + \tilde{A}(x)u(qx) + r(x) = 0, \tag{2.2}$$

where $A(x)$ and $\tilde{A}(x)$ are defined as in (2.5) and (2.11), respectively. We can prove that Eqs. (2.1), (2.2) are equivalent to Eqs. (1.2), (1.5) by setting $\frac{D_q y(x)}{y(x)} = u(x)$ $\left(\frac{D_{q^{-1}} y(x)}{y(x)} = u(x)\right)$, respectively. This leads to Theorems 2.1 and 2.2 below.

Theorem 2.1 *Let $y(x)$ and $f(x)$ be solutions of Eqs. (1.2) and (1.3) in an open interval I , respectively. Let $u(x)$ be a continuous function on I and $h(x)$ be an arbitrary function satisfying*

$$D_q h(x) = u(x)h(x) \quad (x \in I). \tag{2.3}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int f(x)h(x/q) \left(\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} u(x) + \frac{1}{q} u(x)u(x/q) + A(x)u(x/q) + r(x) \right) y(x) d_q x \\ &= f(x/q)h(x/q) \left(y(x/q)u(x/q) - D_{q^{-1}} y(x) \right), \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

where the functions $p(x)$, $r(x)$ are defined as in (1.2) and

$$A(x) = p(x) - \frac{1}{q} x(1 - q)r(x). \tag{2.5}$$

Proof Equation (1.1) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} &\int f(x)h(x/q) \left[\frac{1}{q} \frac{D_{q^{-1}} D_q h(x)}{h(x/q)} + p(x) \frac{D_{q^{-1}} h(x)}{h(x/q)} + \frac{r(x)h(x)}{h(x/q)} \right] y(x) d_q x \\ &= f(x/q)h(x/q) \left[y(x/q) \frac{D_{q^{-1}} h(x)}{h(x/q)} - D_{q^{-1}} y(x) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

Then, from (2.3), we get

$$D_{q^{-1}} u(x) = D_{q^{-1}} \left(\frac{D_q h(x)}{h(x)} \right) = \frac{h(x)D_{q^{-1}} D_q h(x) - D_q h(x)D_{q^{-1}} h(x)}{h(x)h(x/q)}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D_{q^{-1}} D_q h(x)}{h(x/q)} &= D_{q^{-1}} u(x) + \frac{D_{q^{-1}} h(x)}{h(x/q)} u(x) \\ &= D_{q^{-1}} u(x) + u(x)u\left(\frac{x}{q}\right). \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} r(x) \frac{h(x)}{h(x/q)} &= \frac{r(x)}{h(x/q)} \left(h(x/q) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{q}\right)x D_{q^{-1}}h(x) \right) \\ &= r(x) \left(1 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{q}\right)xu\left(\frac{x}{q}\right) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

Substituting with (2.7) and (2.8) into (2.6), we get (2.4) and completes the proof. \square

Theorem 2.2 *Let $y(x)$ and $F(x)$ be solutions of Eqs. (1.5) and (1.6) in an open interval I , respectively. Let $u(x)$ be a continuous function on I and $k(x)$ be an arbitrary function satisfying*

$$D_{q^{-1}}k(x) = u(x)k(x) \quad x \in I. \tag{2.9}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int F(x)k(qx) \left(D_q u(x) + u(x)u(qx) + \tilde{A}(x)u(qx) + r(x) \right) y(x) d_q x \\ &= F(x)k(x) \left(y(x)u(x) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x) \right), \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

where the functions $p(x)$, $r(x)$ are defined as in (1.5) and

$$\tilde{A}(x) = p(x) + x(1 - q)r(x). \tag{2.11}$$

Proof The proof follows similarly as the proof of Theorem 2.1 and is omitted. \square

The q -integrals presented in the sequel are obtained by choosing the function $u(x)$ to be a solution of a fragment of the q -Riccati equations (2.1) or (2.2). Bernoulli and linear fragments of (2.1) are defined as

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}}u(x) + \frac{1}{q} u(x)u(x/q) + A(x)u(x/q) = 0, \tag{2.12}$$

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}}u(x) + p(x)u(x/q) + r(x) = 0, \tag{2.13}$$

respectively. Similarly, the Bernoulli and linear fragments of (2.2) are defined as

$$D_q u(x) + u(x)u(qx) + \tilde{A}(x)u(qx) = 0, \tag{2.14}$$

and

$$D_q u(x) + p(x)u(qx) + r(x) = 0, \tag{2.15}$$

respectively. The trivial solution $u(x) = 0$ of (2.12) implies that $h(x) = c$ is a solution of (2.3), where c is a non-zero constant. Then, (2.4) becomes

$$\int f(x)r(x)y(x)d_q x = -f(x/q)D_{q^{-1}}y(x). \tag{2.16}$$

Similarly, the trivial solution $u(x) = 0$ of (2.14) implies that $k(x) = c$ is a solution of (2.9), where c is a non-zero constant. Then, (2.10) becomes

$$\int F(x)r(x)y(x)d_q x = -F(x)D_{q^{-1}}y(x). \tag{2.17}$$

Theorem 2.3 *If $g(x)$ is a solution of the first-order q -difference equation*

$$\frac{1}{q}D_{q^{-1}}g(x) = A(x)g(x), \quad g(0) = 1, \tag{2.18}$$

where $A(x)$ is the function which is defined in (2.5). Then,

$$u(x) = \frac{1}{g(x) \int_0^x \frac{1}{g(t)} d_q t}, \quad x \in I, \tag{2.19}$$

is a solution of (2.12) and (2.4) takes the form

$$\int f(x)h(x/q)r(x)y(x)d_q x = f(x/q)h(x/q)\left(y(x/q)u(x/q) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x)\right). \tag{2.20}$$

Proof In Theorem 2.1, we choose $u(x)$ to be a solution of (2.12). This produces (2.20). But one can verify that if we set $u(x) = \frac{1}{v(x)}$, then (2.12) takes the form

$$D_{q^{-1}}v(x) - qA(x)v(x) = 1, \tag{2.21}$$

which can be rewritten as $D_{q^{-1}}\left(\frac{v(x)}{g(x)}\right) = \frac{1}{g(x/q)}$ or equivalently, $D_q\left(\frac{v(x)}{g(x)}\right) = \frac{1}{g(x)}$. Hence, from (1.15), we get $v(x) = g(x) \int_0^x \frac{1}{g(t)} d_q t$. Hence, $u(x) = \frac{1}{v(x)}$ is defined as in (2.19). □

Theorem 2.4 *Assume that $g(x)$ is defined as in Theorem 2.3 in an interval I containing zero. Then,*

$$g(x)h(x) = \frac{1}{u(x)}.$$

Proof From (2.3),

$$\frac{D_q h(x)}{h(x)} = u(x) = \frac{1}{\int_0^x \frac{1}{g(t)} d_q t}.$$

Hence,

$$D_q \left(\frac{h(x)}{\int_0^x \frac{1}{g(t)} d_q t} \right) = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$h(x) = c \int_0^x \frac{1}{g(t)} d_q t,$$

where c is a constant, we can choose $c = 1$. Hence,

$$g(x)h(x) = g(x) \int_0^x \frac{1}{g(t)} d_q t = \frac{1}{u(x)}.$$

□

Theorem 2.5 *Let I be an interval containing zero. Let $p(x)$ and $r(x)$ be continuous functions at zero. If $f(x)$ is a solution of Eq. (1.3), then*

$$u(x) = \frac{-1}{f(x)} \int_0^{qx} f(t)r(t)d_q t, \quad (2.22)$$

is a solution of Eq. (2.13) in I and (2.4) takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \int f(x)h(x/q) \left(\frac{1}{q}u(x)u(x/q) + \frac{1}{q}xr(x)(q-1)u(x/q) \right) y(x)d_q x \\ & = f(x/q)h(x/q) (y(x/q)u(x/q) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x)). \end{aligned} \quad (2.23)$$

Proof Multiplying both sides of (2.13) by $f(x)$, we obtain

$$D_{q^{-1}}(f(x)u(x)) = -qf(x)r(x),$$

or equivalently

$$D_q(f(x)u(x)) = -qf(qx)r(qx).$$

Hence, from (1.15), we get (2.22). If $u(x)$ is a solution of the q -linear fragment (2.13), then from (2.4), we obtain (2.23) and completes the proof. □

3 q -Integrals from the Bernoulli fragment

This section contains indefinite q -integrals that are derived from the q -Bernoulli fragment (2.12).

Theorem 3.1

$$\int x \cos(x; q) {}_2\phi_1\left(0, q; q^3; q^2, \frac{-x^2}{q}(1-q)^2\right) d_q x$$

$$= -\frac{q(q; q^2)_\infty \cos\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)}{(1-q)\left(\frac{-x^2}{q}(1-q)^2; q^2\right)_\infty} + \sqrt{q}x \sin\left(q^{\frac{-1}{2}}x; q\right) {}_2\phi_1\left(0, q; q^3; q^2, \frac{-x^2}{q}(1-q)^2\right), \tag{3.1}$$

$$\int x \sin(x; q) {}_2\phi_1\left(0, q; q^3; q^2, \frac{-x^2}{q}(1-q)^2\right) d_q x$$

$$= -x \cos\left(q^{\frac{-1}{2}}x; q\right) {}_2\phi_1\left(0, q; q^3; q^2, \frac{-x^2}{q}(1-q)^2\right) - \frac{q(q; q^2)_\infty \sin(x/q; q)}{(1-q)\left(\frac{-x^2}{q}(1-q)^2; q^2\right)_\infty}. \tag{3.2}$$

Proof By comparing Eq. (A4) with Eq. (1.2), we get $p(x) = 0$ and $r(x) = -1$. Then, $f(x) = 1$ is a solution of (1.3) and $g(x) = (-q(1-q)^2x^2; q^2)_\infty$ is a solution of (2.18) with $A(x) = \frac{x}{q}(1-q)$. By Theorem 2.3,

$$u(x) = \frac{1}{x(1-q) {}_2\phi_1(-q(1-q)^2x^2, q^2; 0; q^2, q)},$$

using (A19), we get

$$u(x) = \frac{(q; q^2)_\infty}{x(1-q)(-q(1-q)^2x^2; q^2)_\infty {}_2\phi_1(0, q; q^3; q^2, -q(1-q)^2x^2)}.$$

By Theorem 2.4,

$$h(x) = \frac{x(1-q) {}_2\phi_1(0, q; q^3; q^2, -q(1-q)^2x^2)}{(q; q^2)_\infty}.$$

Substituting with $u(x)$, $f(x)$, and $h(x)$ into (2.20) and using the q -difference equations (A7) and (A8), we get (3.1) and (3.2), respectively. \square

Theorem 3.2 Let ${}_2\phi_1(q^a, q^b; q^c; q, x)$ be the q -hypergeometric functions, $a, b,$ and c are real numbers, $c < 1, \delta > a + b - c,$ and $c \neq q^{-n}, n \in \mathbb{N}_0.$ Then,

$$\int (x; q)_{a+b-c} {}_2\phi_1(q^{a+b-c-\delta+1}, q^{1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, q^{\delta-1}x) {}_2\phi_1(q^a, q^b; q^c; q, x) d_q x$$

$$= \frac{x}{[c]_q} \left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)_{a+b+1-c} {}_2\phi_1\left(q^{a+b-c-\delta+1}, q^{1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, q^{\delta-1}x\right) {}_2\phi_1$$

$$\times \left(q^{a+1}, q^{b+1}; q^{c+1}; q, \frac{x}{q}\right) + \frac{\mu[c-1]_q}{[a]_q[b]_q} \left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)_\delta {}_2\phi_1\left(q^a, q^b; q^c; q, \frac{x}{q}\right),$$

where $q^\delta = q^a + q^b - q^{a+b}$ and $\mu = q^{c+1-c(a+b-c)}.$

Proof By comparing (A17) with Eq. (1.2), we get

$$p(x) = \frac{[c]_q - [a + b + 1]_q \frac{x}{q}}{q^c x(1 - q^{a+b-c}x)}, \quad \text{and} \quad r(x) = -\frac{[a]_q [b]_q}{q^c x(1 - q^{a+b-c}x)}.$$

Then,

$$f(x) = x^c \frac{(x; q)_\infty}{(xq^{a+b-c+1}; q)_\infty} = x^c (x; q)_{a+b+1-c},$$

is a solution of (1.3)

$$g(x) = x^c \frac{(q^\delta x; q)_\infty}{(xq^{a+b-c+1}; q)_\infty} = x^c (q^\delta x; q)_{a+b+1-\delta-c},$$

satisfies (2.18). By Lemmas 2.3 and A.1, we have

$$u(x) = \frac{q^{(1-c)(a+b-c)} x^{-c}}{(q^\delta x; q)_{a+b+1-\delta-c} B_q(1 - c, c - a - b + \delta; q^{a+b-c}x)},$$

satisfies (2.21). Therefore, by Theorem 2.4, we obtain

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{g(x)u(x)} = q^{(c-1)(a+b-c)} B_q(1 - c, c - a - b + \delta; q^{a+b-c}x).$$

By substituting with $f(x), h(x),$ and $u(x)$ into (2.20), we get

$$\int x^{c-1} (x; q)_{a+b-c} B_q\left(1 - c, c - a - b + \delta; q^{a+b-c-1}x\right) {}_2\phi_1\left(q^a, q^b; q^c; q, x\right) d_q x$$

$$= \frac{x^c}{[c]_q} \left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)_{a+b+1-c} B_q\left(1 - c, c - a - b + \delta; q^{a+b-c-1}x\right) {}_2\phi_1\left(q^{a+1}, q^{b+1}; q^{c+1}; q, \frac{x}{q}\right)$$

$$- \frac{q^{c-(c-1)(a+b-c)}}{[a]_q [b]_q} \left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)_\delta {}_2\phi_1\left(q^a, q^b; q^c; q, \frac{x}{q}\right),$$

where $B_q(\alpha, \beta; x)$ is a function defined in (A18). Using (A18) and (A19), we get the desired result. \square

Theorem 3.3 *If $y(x) = x^{1-c} {}_2\phi_1(q^{a+1-c}, q^{b+1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, x)$, $c < 1$, $\delta > a + b - c$, and $q^c \neq q^{n+2}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, is the q -hypergeometric functions. Then,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int x^{1-c}(x; q)_{a+b-c} {}_2\phi_1\left(q^{a+b-c-\delta+1}, q^{1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, q^{\delta-1}x\right) {}_2\phi_1 \\ & \quad \times \left(q^{a+1-c}, q^{b+1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, x\right) d_q x \\ & = \lambda x^{2-c} \left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)_{a+b+1-c} {}_2\phi_1\left(q^{a+b-c-\delta+1}, q^{1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, q^{\delta-1}x\right) {}_2\phi_1 \\ & \quad \times \left(q^{a+2-c}, q^{b+2-c}; q^{2-c}; q^2, \frac{x}{q}\right) \\ & \quad + \frac{\mu[c-1]_q}{[a]_q[b]_q} \left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)_\delta x^{1-c} {}_2\phi_1\left(q^{a+1-c}, q^{b+1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, \frac{x}{q}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda = \frac{[a+1-c]_q[b+1-c]_q}{q^{1-c}[a]_q[b]_q}$, $\mu = q^{-c(a+b-c-2)}$, and $q^\delta = q^a + q^b - q^{a+b}$.

Proof By substituting with $f(x)$, $h(x)$, and $u(x)$ as in Theorem 3.2 and $y(x) = x^{1-c} {}_2\phi_1(q^{a+1-c}, q^{b+1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, x)$ into (2.20) and using (A18) and (A19), we get the desired result. \square

Theorem 3.4 *If $y(x) = x^{-a} {}_2\phi_1\left(q^a, q^{a+1-c}; q^{a+1-b}; q, \frac{q^{c-a-b+1}}{x}\right)$, $c < 1$, $\delta > a + b - c$, and $q^a \neq q^{b-n-1}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ is the q -hypergeometric functions. Then,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int (x; q)_{a+b-c} x^{-a} {}_2\phi_1\left(q^{a+b-c-\delta+1}, q^{1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, q^{\delta-1}x\right) {}_2\phi_1 \\ & \quad \times \left(q^a, q^{a+1-c}; q^{a+1-b}; q, \frac{q^{c-a-b+1}}{x}\right) d_q x \\ & = \lambda x^{3-a} \left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)_{a+b+1-c} {}_2\phi_1\left(q^{a+b-c-\delta+1}, q^{1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, q^{\delta-1}x\right) {}_2\phi_1 \\ & \quad \times \left(q^{a+2}, q^{a+2-c}; q^{a+2-b}; q, \frac{q^{c-a-b+1}}{x}\right) \\ & \quad + \frac{\mu[c-1]_q}{[a]_q[b]_q} \left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)_\delta x^{-a} {}_2\phi_1\left(q^a, q^{a+1-c}; q^{a+1-b}; q, \frac{q^{c-a-b+2}}{x}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda = \frac{-q^{2-a-b+c}[a+1]_q[a+1-c]_q}{[b]_q[a+1-b]_q}$, $\mu = q^{(a+1)+c(1-a-b+c)}$, and $q^\delta = q^a + q^b - q^{a+b}$.

Proof By substituting with $f(x)$, $h(x)$, and $u(x)$ as in Theorem 3.2 and $y(x) = x^{-a} {}_2\phi_1\left(q^a, q^{a+1-c}; q^{a+1-b}; q, \frac{q^{c-a-b+1}}{x}\right)$ into (2.20) and using (A18) and (A19), we get the desired result. \square

4 q -Integrals from the linear fragment

In the following results, we obtain new indefinite q -integrals from the linear fragment (2.13).

Theorem 4.1 *If $|a| < \sqrt{\frac{q}{1-q}}$, then*

$$\int_0^a \frac{x^2}{(x^2q^{-1}(1-q); q^2)_\infty} \cos(x; q) d_q x = \frac{q}{\left(\frac{a^2}{q}(1-q); q^2\right)_\infty} \left(a \cos\left(\frac{a}{q}; q\right) + \sqrt{q} \sin\left(q^{\frac{-1}{2}} a; q\right) \right), \tag{4.1}$$

$$\int_0^a \frac{x^2}{\left(x^2q^{-1}(1-q); q^2\right)_\infty} \sin(x; q) d_q x = \frac{q}{\left(\frac{a^2}{q}(1-q); q^2\right)_\infty} \left(a \sin\left(\frac{a}{q}; q\right) - \cos\left(q^{\frac{-1}{2}} a; q\right) \right) + q, \tag{4.2}$$

where $\sin(x; q)$ and $\cos(x; q)$ are defined in (A5) and (A6), respectively.

Proof From (A4), we have $p(x) = 0$ and $r(x) = -1$. Then, $f(x) = 1$ is a solution of (1.3). By Theorem 2.5, the function $u(x) = qx$ is a solution of (2.13). Hence,

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{(qx^2(1-q); q^2)_\infty}, \tag{4.3}$$

is a solution of (2.3). Substituting with $u(x)$ and $h(x)$ into (2.23) and using the q -difference equations (A7) and (A8), we get (4.1) and (4.2), respectively. \square

Theorem 4.2 Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $p_n(x; -1; q)$ is the big q -Legendre polynomial which is defined in (A22), $r_n = \frac{2-q^{-n}-q^{n+1}}{1-q}$, then

$$\int \frac{x^2(x^2; q^2)_\infty}{(r_n x^2; q^2)_\infty} p_n(x; -1; q) d_q x = \frac{q^{n+2} \left(\frac{x^2}{q^2}; q^2\right)_\infty}{[n]_q [n+1]_q \left(\frac{r_n x^2}{q^2}; q^2\right)_\infty} \left(-\frac{q^2 - x^2}{1+q} p_{n-1}(x; -q; q) - x p_n\left(\frac{x}{q}; -1; q\right) \right). \tag{4.4}$$

Proof By comparing (A23) with (1.2), we get

$$p(x) = \frac{-x(1+q)}{q^2(1-x^2)}, \quad r(x) = \frac{[n]_q [n+1]_q}{q^{1+n}(1-x^2)}.$$

Then, $f(x) = (1-x^2)$ is a solution of (1.3). From (2.22), we have

$$u(x) = -q^{-n} [n]_q [n+1]_q \frac{x}{1-x^2},$$

and $h(x) = \frac{\left(x^2; q^2\right)_\infty}{\left(r_n x^2; q^2\right)_\infty}$ is a solution of (2.3). By substituting with $u(x)$ and $h(x)$ into (2.23) and using the q -difference equation

$$D_{q^{-1}} p_n(x; -1; q) = \frac{q^{1-n} [n]_q [n+1]_q}{1+q} p_{n-1}(x; -q; q), \tag{4.5}$$

we get (4.4). □

Theorem 4.3 Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $p_n(x|q)$ is the little q -Legendre polynomials defined in (A24), $r_n = \frac{2-q^{-n}-q^{n+1}}{1-q}$, then

$$\int \frac{x(qx; q)_\infty}{(qr_n x; q)_\infty} p_n(x|q) d_q x = \frac{q^n x(x; q)_\infty}{[n]_q [n+1]_q (r_n x; q)_\infty} \left(\frac{1}{q} (1-x) {}_2\phi_1 \left(q^{-n+1}, q^{n+2}; q^2; q, x \right) - p_n\left(\frac{x}{q} | q \right) \right). \tag{4.6}$$

Proof By comparing Eq. (A25) with (1.2), we get

$$p(x) = \frac{qx + x - 1}{qx(qx - 1)}, \quad r(x) = \frac{[n]_q[n + 1]_q}{q^n x(1 - qx)}.$$

Then, $f(x) = x(1 - qx)$ is a solution of (1.3). From (2.22), we get $u(x) = \frac{-q^{1-n}[n]_q[n+1]_q}{(1-qx)}$, $h(x)$ satisfies the q -difference equation (2.3). Consequently, $h(x) = \frac{(qx;q)_\infty}{(r_n qx;q)_\infty}$. By substituting with $u(x)$ and $h(x)$ into (2.23) and using the q -difference equation

$$D_{q^{-1}} p_n(x|q) = -q^{-n} [n]_q [n + 1]_q {}_2\phi_1(q^{1-n}, q^{n+2}; q^2; q, x), \tag{4.7}$$

we get (4.6). □

5 q -Integrals from arbitrary parts from Riccati equation

In this section, we discuss an approach that chooses $u(x)$ to be a solution of a fragment of the Riccati equation, where a fragment is an equation obtained from Riccati’s equation by deleting one or more of the terms.

Theorem 5.1 *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and c be a real number. If $h_n(x; q)$ is the discrete q -Hermite I polynomial of degree n which is defined in (A9), then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int (q^2 x^2; q^2)_\infty ((cq + x)[n]_q - x) h_n(x; q) d_q x \\ &= q^{n-1} (1 - q)(x^2; q^2)_\infty \left(q h_n\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) - [n]_q (cq + x) h_{n-1}\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) \right), \end{aligned} \tag{5.1}$$

$$\int x (q^2 x^2; q^2)_\infty h_n(x; q) d_q x = \frac{q^{n-1} (x^2; q^2)_\infty}{[n - 1]_q} \left((1 - q) h_n\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) - \frac{1 - q^n}{q} x h_{n-1}\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) \right), \tag{5.2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \frac{(q^2 x^2; q^2)_\infty}{(q^{-(n+1)} x^2; q^2)_\infty} h_n(x; q) d_q x \\ &= \frac{(x^2; q^2)_\infty}{[n + 1]_q (q^{-(n+1)} x^2; q^2)_\infty} \left(x h_n\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) - q^n (1 - q^n) h_{n-1}\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) \right), \end{aligned} \tag{5.3}$$

and

$$\int x^{n-2} (q^2 x^2; q^2)_\infty h_n(x; q) d_q x = \frac{x^n (x^2; q^2)_\infty}{[n - 1]_q} \left(\frac{h_n\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)}{x} - \frac{1}{q} h_{n-1}\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) \right). \tag{5.4}$$

Proof The discrete q -Hermite I polynomial of degree n is defined in (A9) and satisfies the second-order q -difference equation (A10). By comparing (A10) with (1.2), we get

$$p(x) = -\frac{x}{1-q}, \quad r(x) = \frac{q^{1-n}[n]_q}{1-q}. \tag{5.5}$$

Then,

$$f(x) = (q^2x^2; q^2)_\infty \tag{5.6}$$

is a solution of (1.3). Therefore Eq. (2.4) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} &\int (q^2x^2; q^2)_\infty h(x/q) \left(\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}}u(x) + \frac{1}{q} u(x)u(x/q) - \frac{q^{-n}x}{1-q} u(x/q) + \frac{q^{1-n}[n]_q}{(1-q)} \right) y(x) d_q x \\ &= (x^2; q^2)_\infty h(x/q) \left(y(x/q)u(x/q) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{5.7}$$

By taking the fragment

$$D_{q^{-1}}u(x) + u(x)u(x/q) = 0, \tag{5.8}$$

we get

$$u(x) = \frac{1}{x+c}. \tag{5.9}$$

Hence,

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{x}{c}, & \text{if } c \neq 0; \\ x, & \text{if } c = 0, \end{cases} \tag{5.10}$$

is a solution of (2.3). Substituting with the values of $h(x)$ into (5.7) and using

$$D_{q^{-1}}h_n(x; q) = [n]_q h_{n-1} \left(\frac{x}{q}; q \right), \tag{5.11}$$

see [17, Eq. (3.28.7)], we get (5.1) for $c \neq 0$ and (5.2) for $c = 0$. To prove (5.3), we consider the fragment

$$\frac{1}{q} u(x)u(x/q) - \frac{q^{-n}x}{1-q} u(x/q) = 0,$$

then $u(x) = \frac{q^{1-n}}{1-q}x$ and $h(x) = \frac{1}{(q^{1-n}x^2; q^2)_\infty}$ is a solution of (2.3). Substituting with $h(x)$ and $u(x)$ into (5.7) and using (5.11), we get (5.3). Finally, the proof of (5.4)

follows by taking the fragment

$$-\frac{q^{-n}x}{1-q}u(x/q) + \frac{q^{1-n}[n]_q}{(1-q)} = 0.$$

In this case, $u(x) = \frac{[n]_q}{x}$ and $h(x) = x^n$ is a solution of (2.3). Substituting with $h(x)$ and $u(x)$ into (5.7) and using (5.11), we get (5.4). \square

Theorem 5.2 *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and c be a real number. If $\tilde{h}_n(x; q)$ is the discrete q -Hermite II polynomial of degree n which is defined in (A11), then*

$$\begin{aligned} &\int \frac{1}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} (qx[n-1]_q + c[n]_q) \tilde{h}_n(x; q) d_q x \\ &= \frac{1-q}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} (\tilde{h}_n(x; q) - q^{1-n}[n]_q(c+x)\tilde{h}_{n-1}(x; q)), \end{aligned} \tag{5.12}$$

$$\int \frac{x}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \tilde{h}_n(x; q) d_q x = \frac{1-q}{[n-1]_q(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \left(\frac{1}{q} \tilde{h}_n(x; q) - q^{-n}[n]_q x \tilde{h}_{n-1}(x; q) \right), \tag{5.13}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\int \frac{(-q^{n+3}x^2; q^2)_\infty}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \tilde{h}_n(x; q) d_q x \\ &= \frac{(-q^{n+1}x^2; q^2)_\infty}{[n+1]_q(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} (q^n x \tilde{h}_n(x; q) - q^{1-n}(1-q^n)\tilde{h}_{n-1}(x; q)), \end{aligned} \tag{5.14}$$

and

$$\int \frac{x^{n-2}}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \tilde{h}_n(x; q) d_q x = \frac{x^n}{[n-1]_q(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \left(\frac{\tilde{h}_n(x; q)}{x} - \tilde{h}_{n-1}(x; q) \right). \tag{5.15}$$

Proof The discrete q -Hermite II polynomial of degree n is defined in (A11) and satisfies the second-order q -difference equation (A12). By comparing (A12) with (1.5), we get

$$p(x) = -\frac{x}{1-q}, \quad r(x) = \frac{[n]_q}{1-q}.$$

Then, $F(x) = \frac{1}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty}$ is a solution of (1.6), and (2.10) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} &\int \frac{k(qx)}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \left(D_q u(x) + u(x)u(qx) - \frac{q^n x}{(1-q)} u(qx) + \frac{[n]_q}{(1-q)} \right) y(x) d_q x \\ &= \frac{k(x)}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} (y(x)u(x) - D_{q^{-1}} y(x)). \end{aligned} \tag{5.16}$$

Consider the fragment

$$D_q u(x) + u(x)u(qx) = 0. \tag{5.17}$$

Hence,

$$u(x) = \frac{1}{x + c} \tag{5.18}$$

and

$$k(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{x}{c}, & \text{if } c \neq 0; \\ x, & \text{if } c = 0, \end{cases} \tag{5.19}$$

is a solution of (2.9). Substituting with $u(x)$ and the values of $k(x)$ into (5.16), and using [17, Eq. (3.29.7)] (with x is replaced by $\frac{x}{q}$)

$$D_{q^{-1}} \tilde{h}_n(x; q) = q^{1-n} [n]_q \tilde{h}_{n-1}(x; q), \tag{5.20}$$

we get (5.12) for $c \neq 0$ and (5.13) for $c = 0$. The fragment

$$u(x)u(qx) - \frac{q^n x}{1 - q} u(qx) = 0.$$

Then, $u(x) = \frac{q^n}{1-q} x$ and $k(x) = (-q^{n+1}x^2; q^2)_\infty$ is a solution of (2.9). Substituting with $k(x)$ into (5.16), we get (5.14). Similarly, to prove (5.15), we consider the fragment

$$-\frac{q^n x}{1 - q} u(qx) + \frac{[n]_q}{1 - q} = 0,$$

then we obtain $u(x) = q^{1-n} [n]_q \frac{1}{x}$ and $k(x) = x^n$. Substituting with $u(x)$ and $k(x)$ into (5.16) yields (5.15). □

Theorem 5.3 *Let c be a real number. If $Ai_q(x)$ is the q -Airy function which is defined in (A13), then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^n (c - 1 + q^2 + q^n x) Ai_q(q^n x) \\ &= \frac{qc + x}{q(1 + q)} {}_1\phi_1(0; -q^2; q, -x) - (1 - q) Ai_q\left(\frac{x}{q}\right), \end{aligned} \tag{5.21}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^n (1 - q^2 - q^n x) Ai_q(q^n x) \\ &= (1 - q) Ai_q\left(\frac{x}{q}\right) - \frac{x}{q(1 + q)} {}_1\phi_1(0; -q^2; q, -x), \end{aligned} \tag{5.22}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{n+1} (q - q^3 - q^n x) (-q^{-3}x; q)_n Ai_q(q^n x) \\ &= -\frac{x}{1 + q} {}_1\phi_1(0; -q^2; q, -x) + \left(q(1 + q) + \frac{x}{q}\right) Ai_q\left(\frac{x}{q}\right). \end{aligned} \tag{5.23}$$

Proof The q -Airy function is defined in (A13) and satisfies the second-order q -difference equation (A14). By comparing (A14) with (1.2), we get

$$p(x) = -\frac{1 + q}{q(1 - q)x}, \quad r(x) = \frac{1}{q(1 - q)^2x}. \tag{5.24}$$

By taking the fragment (5.8), we get $u(x)$ and $h(x)$ as in (5.9) and (5.10), respectively. Therefore, (2.4) takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \int f(t)h(t/q) \left(-\frac{q(1 + q) + t}{q^2(1 - q)t} u(t/q) + \frac{1}{q(1 - q)^2t}\right) y(t) d_q t \\ &= f(x/q)h(x/q) (y(x/q)u(x/q) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x)). \end{aligned} \tag{5.25}$$

Denote the right hand side of Eq. (5.25) by $H(x)$. I.e

$$H(x) = f(x/q)h(x/q) (y(x/q)u(x/q) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x)).$$

Then, from (1.15), we obtain

$$\int_0^x f(t)h(t/q) \left(-\frac{q(1 + q) + t}{q^2(1 - q)t} u(t/q) + \frac{1}{q(1 - q)^2t}\right) y(t) d_q t = H(x) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H(q^n x). \tag{5.26}$$

From (1.3), we obtain $f(qx) = -qf(x)$,

$$\prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{f(q^{k+1}x)}{f(q^kx)} = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (-q),$$

then we get

$$f(q^n x) = (-1)^n q^n f(x) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0). \tag{5.27}$$

Since

$$D_{q^{-1}} Ai_q(x) = \frac{1}{1 - q^2} {}_1\phi_1(0; -q^2; q, -x), \tag{5.28}$$

and using the value of $h(x)$ at $c \neq 0$, we get

$$H(x) = \frac{f(x)}{cq} \left(\frac{cq + x}{q(1 - q^2)} {}_1\phi_1(0; -q^2; q, -x) - Ai_q\left(\frac{x}{q}\right) \right). \tag{5.29}$$

Hence, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H(q^n x) = 0$. From (1.14), (5.9), (5.10) with $c \neq 0$ and (5.26), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^x f(t)h(t/q) \left(-\frac{q(1+q)+t}{q^2(1-q)t} u(t/q) + \frac{1}{q(1-q)^2t} \right) y(t) d_q t \\ &= \frac{f(x)}{cq(1-q)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-q)^n \left(c - 1 + q^2 + q^n x \right) y(q^n x) = H(x). \end{aligned} \tag{5.30}$$

Combining Eqs. (5.29) and (5.30) yields (5.21). Substituting with the value of $h(x) = x$ at $(c = 0)$ yields (5.22). Now, we prove (5.23), by taking the fragment

$$\frac{1}{q} u(x)u(x/q) - \frac{q(1+q)+x}{q^2(1-q)x} u(x/q) = 0,$$

which implies that $u(x) = \frac{q(1+q)+x}{q(1-q)x}$. Since $h(x)$ satisfies (2.3), then

$$h(qx) = -\left(q + \frac{x}{q} \right) h(x),$$

$$\prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{h(q^{k+1}x)}{h(q^kx)} = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (-q)^{k+1} \left(1 + q^{k-2}x \right),$$

then we get

$$h(q^n x) = (-q)^{n+1} \left(\frac{-x}{q^2}; q \right)_n h(x) \quad \left(n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \right). \tag{5.31}$$

Substituting with $u(x)$ into (2.4) and using equations (5.27), (5.28), and (5.31), we get (5.23). □

Theorem 5.4 *Let $c \in \mathbb{R}$. If $A_q(x)$ is the Ramanujan function which is defined in (A15), then*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} x^n \left(1 - q + qc + q^{n+2}x \right) A_q(q^n x) = (1 - q)A_q\left(\frac{x}{q}\right) - (cq + x)A_q(qx), \tag{5.32}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} x^n \left(1 - q + q^{n+2}x \right) A_q(q^n x) = (1 - q)A_q\left(\frac{x}{q}\right) - xA_q(qx), \tag{5.33}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(1 - q^2 + q^{n+2}x \right) (x; q)_n A_q(q^n x) = \frac{x(1+q) - q}{q} A_q\left(\frac{x}{q}\right) - \frac{x^2}{q} A_q(qx). \tag{5.34}$$

Proof The Ramanujan function is defined in (A15) and satisfies the second-order q -difference equation (A16). By comparing (A16) with (1.2), we get

$$p(x) = \frac{1 - qx}{q(1 - q)x^2}, \quad r(x) = \frac{1}{(1 - q)^2 x^2}. \tag{5.35}$$

By taking the fragment (5.8), we get $u(x)$ and $h(x)$ as in (5.9) and (5.10), respectively. Therefore, (2.4) takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \int f(t)h(t/q) \left(\frac{1 - t(1 + q)}{q(1 - q)t^2} u(t/q) + \frac{1}{(1 - q)^2 t^2} \right) y(t) d_q t \\ & = f(x/q)h(x/q) \left(y(x/q)u(x/q) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{5.36}$$

Denote the right hand side of Eq. (5.36) by $G(x)$. That is

$$G(x) = f(x/q)h(x/q) \left(y(x/q)u(x/q) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x) \right).$$

Then, from (1.15), we get

$$\int_0^x f(t)h(t/q) \left(\frac{1 - t(1 + q)}{q(1 - q)t^2} u(t/q) + \frac{1}{(1 - q)^2 t^2} \right) y(t) d_q t = G(x) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G(q^n x). \tag{5.37}$$

From (1.3), we obtain $f(qx) = q^2xf(x)$. Consequently,

$$\prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{f(q^{k+1}x)}{f(q^kx)} = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} q^{k+2}x \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0),$$

then

$$f(q^n x) = q^{2n + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}} x^n f(x) \quad \left(n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \right). \tag{5.38}$$

Since

$$D_{q^{-1}}A_q(x) = \frac{q}{1-q}A_q(qx), \tag{5.39}$$

substituting with the value of $h(x)$ at $c \neq 0$, then

$$G(x) = \frac{f(x)}{cqx} \left(A_q\left(\frac{x}{q}\right) - \frac{(cq+x)}{1-q}A_q(qx) \right). \tag{5.40}$$

Hence, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G(q^n x) = 0$. From (1.14), (5.9), (5.10) with $c \neq 0$ and (5.37), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^x f(t)h(t/q) \left(-\frac{q(1+q)+t}{q^2(1-q)t}u(t/q) + \frac{1}{q(1-q)^2t} \right) y(t) d_q t \\ &= \frac{f(x)}{cq(1-q)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{\frac{n(n-3)}{2}} x^{n-1} \left(1-q+qc+q^{n+2}x \right) y(q^n x) = G(x). \end{aligned} \tag{5.41}$$

Combining equations (5.40) and (5.41) yields (5.32). Substituting with the value of $h(x) = x$ at $c = 0$ yields (5.33). Now, we prove (5.34), by taking the fragment

$$\frac{1}{q}u(x)u(x/q) + \frac{1-x(1+q)}{q(1-q)x^2}u(x/q) = 0,$$

which implies that $u(x) = \frac{x(1+q)-1}{(1-q)x^2}$. Since $h(x)$ satisfies (2.3), then

$$h(qx) = \frac{1-qx}{x}h(x),$$

$$\prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{h(q^{k+1}x)}{h(q^kx)} = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{1-q^{k+1}}{q^kx},$$

then we get

$$h(q^n x) = \frac{(qx; q)_n}{q^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} x^n} h(x) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0). \tag{5.42}$$

Substituting with $u(x)$ into (2.4) and using (5.38), (5.39), and (5.42), we get (5.34). □

Theorem 5.5 *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. The following statements are true:*

(a) *If $h_n(x; q)$ is the discrete q -Hermite I polynomial of degree n which is defined in (A9), then*

$$\int (q^2 x^2; q^2)_\infty h_n(x; q) d_q x = -q^{n-1} (1 - q) (x^2; q^2)_\infty h_{n-1}\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right). \tag{5.43}$$

(b) *If $p_n(x; a, b; q)$ is the big q -Laguerre polynomial of degree n which is defined in (A26), then*

$$\int \frac{(\frac{x}{a}, \frac{x}{b}; q)_\infty}{(x; q)_\infty} p_n(x; a, b; q) d_q x = \frac{abq^2(1 - q)}{(1 - aq)(1 - bq)} \frac{(\frac{x}{aq}, \frac{x}{bq}; q)_\infty}{(x; q)_\infty} p_{n-1}(x; aq, bq; q). \tag{5.44}$$

(c) *If $\alpha > -1$ and $L_n^\alpha(x; q)$ is the q -Laguerre polynomial of degree n which is defined in (A28), then*

$$\int \frac{x^\alpha}{(-x; q)_\infty} L_n^\alpha(x; q) d_q x = \frac{x^{\alpha+1}}{[n]_q (-x; q)_\infty} L_{n-1}^{\alpha+1}(x; q). \tag{5.45}$$

Proof The proof of (a) follows by substituting with $r(x)$ and $f(x)$ from (5.5) and (5.6), respectively, into (2.16). The proof of (b) follows by comparing (A27) with (1.2) to get

$$p(x) = \frac{x - q(a + b - qab)}{abq^2(1 - q)(1 - x)}, \quad r(x) = -\frac{q^{-n-1}[n]_q}{ab(1 - q)(1 - x)}.$$

Hence, $f(x) = \frac{(\frac{x}{a}, \frac{x}{b}; q)_\infty}{(qx; q)_\infty}$ is a solution of (1.3). Substituting with $r(x)$ and $f(x)$ into Eq. (2.16) and using

$$D_{q^{-1}} p_n(x; a, b; q) = \frac{q^{1-n}[n]_q}{(1 - aq)(1 - bq)} p_{n-1}(x; aq, bq; q), \tag{5.46}$$

see [17, Eq. (3.11.7)], we get (5.44). To prove (c), compare (A29) with (1.2) to obtain

$$p(x) = \frac{1 - q^{\alpha+1}(1 + x)}{q^{\alpha+1}x(1 + x)(1 - q)}, \quad r(x) = \frac{[n]_q}{x(1 - q)(1 + x)}.$$

Hence, $f(x) = \frac{x^{\alpha+1}}{(-qx; q)_{\infty}}$ is a solution of (1.3). Finally, we prove (5.45) by substituting with $r(x)$ and $f(x)$ into (2.16) and using

$$D_{q^{-1}}L_n^{\alpha}(x; q) = \frac{-q^{\alpha+1}}{(1-q)}L_{n-1}^{\alpha+1}(x; q), \tag{5.47}$$

see [17, Eq. (3.21.8)]. □

Remark 1 (a) The indefinite q -integral (5.44) is nothing else but [14, Eq. (42)] or [17, Eq. (3.11.9)] (with n is replaced by $n - 1$)

$$D_q(w(x; aq, bq; q)p_{n-1}(x; aq, bq; q)) = \frac{(1-aq)(1-bq)}{abq^2(1-q)}w(x; a, b; q)p_n(x; a, b; q),$$

where $w(x; a, b; q) = \frac{(\frac{x}{b}, \frac{x}{a}; q)_{\infty}}{(x; q)_{\infty}}$.

(b) The indefinite q -integral (5.45) is equivalent to [14, Eq. (46)] (if $m = n$) and to [17, Eq. (3.21.10)] (if $m = 0$) (with α is replaced by $\alpha + 1$ and n is replaced by $n - 1$)

$$D_q(w(x; \alpha + 1; q)L_{n-1}^{\alpha+1}(x; q)) = [n]_q w(x; \alpha; q)L_n^{\alpha}(x; q),$$

where $w(x; \alpha; q) = \frac{x^{\alpha}}{(-x; q)_{\infty}}$.

Theorem 5.6 *The following statements are true:*

(a) If $\tilde{h}_n(x; q)$ is the discrete q -Hermite II polynomial of degree n which is defined in (A11), then

$$\int \frac{\tilde{h}_n(x; q)}{(-x^2; q^2)_{\infty}} d_q x = -\frac{q^{1-n}(1-q)}{(-x^2; q^2)_{\infty}} \tilde{h}_{n-1}(x; q). \tag{5.48}$$

(b) If ν is a real number, $\nu > -1$, then

$$\int \frac{qx^2 - q^{1-\nu}[v]_q^2}{x(-x^2(1-q)^2; q^2)_{\infty}} J_{\nu}^{(2)}(x|q^2) d_q x = \frac{-x}{(-x^2(1-q)^2; q^2)_{\infty}} D_{q^{-1}} J_{\nu}^{(2)}(x|q^2).$$

Proof The proof of (a) follows by substituting with $r(x)$ and $F(x)$ as in the proof of Theorems (5.2) into Eq. (2.17). To prove (b), compare (A21) with (1.5) to obtain

$$p(x) = \frac{1 - q\lambda^2 x^2(1-q)}{x}, \quad r(x) = \frac{q\lambda^2 x^2 - q^{1-\nu}[v]_q^2}{x^2}.$$

Hence, $F(x) = \frac{x}{(-x^2\lambda^2(1-q)^2; q^2)_{\infty}}$ is a solution of (1.6). Substituting with $r(x)$ and $F(x)$ into Eq. (2.17). □

Remark 2 The indefinite q -integral (5.48) is equivalent to [14, Eq. (68)] and to

$$D_q (w(x; q)\tilde{h}_{n-1}(x; q)) = \frac{q^{n-1}}{1-q} w(x; q)\tilde{h}_n(x; q),$$

where $w(x; q) = \frac{1}{(-x^2; q^2)}$, see [17, Eq. (3.29.9)].

Theorem 5.7 *The following statements are true:*

(a) *If $Ai_q(x)$ is the q -Airy function which is defined in (A13), then*

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-q)^k Ai_q(q^k x) = \frac{1}{1+q} {}_1\phi_1(0; -q^2; q, -x). \tag{5.49}$$

(b) *If $A_q(x)$ is the Ramanujan function which is defined in (A15), then*

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} q^{\frac{k(k+1)}{2}} x^k A_q(q^k x) = -{}_0\phi_1(-; 0; q, -q^2 x). \tag{5.50}$$

(c) *If $S_n(x; q)$ is the Stieltjes–Wigert polynomial of degree n ($n \in \mathbb{N}$) which is defined in (A30), then*

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} q^{\frac{k(k+1)}{2}} x^k S_n(q^k x; q) = \frac{1}{1-q^n} S_{n-1}(qx; q). \tag{5.51}$$

Proof The proof of (a) follows by substituting with $r(x)$ from (5.24) into (2.16) and using (5.27) and (5.28). The proof of (b) follows by substituting with $r(x)$ from (5.35) into (2.16) and using (5.38) and (5.39). To prove (c), compare Eq. (A31) with (1.2) to get

$$p(x) = \frac{1-qx}{qx^2(1-q)}, \quad r(x) = \frac{[n]_q}{x^2(1-q)}.$$

From (1.3), we obtain $f(qx) = q^2 x f(x)$. Consequently,

$$\prod_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{f(q^{j+1}x)}{f(q^j x)} = \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} q^{j+2} x \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0),$$

then

$$f(q^k x) = q^{2k + \frac{k(k-1)}{2}} x^k f(x) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0). \tag{5.52}$$

Substituting with $r(x)$ into (2.16) and using (1.14), (5.52), and

$$D_{q^{-1}} S_n(x; q) = \frac{-q}{1-q} S_{n-1}(qx; q), \tag{5.53}$$

see [17, Eq. (3.27.7)], we get (5.51). □

6 q -Integrals from substitution of simple algebraic forms

In this section, we substitute into Eq. (2.4) with simple algebraic forms for $u(x)$ which involve arbitrary constants, such as

$$u(x) = \frac{a}{x} + b, \tag{6.1}$$

to derive indefinite q -integrals. Set

$$S_q(x) := \frac{1}{q}D_{q^{-1}}u(x) + \frac{1}{q}u(x)u(x/q) + A(x)u(x/q) + r(x). \tag{6.2}$$

Then, (2.4) will be

$$\int f(x)h(x/q)S_q(x)y(x)d_qx = f(x/q)h(x/q) \left(y(x/q)u(x/q) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x) \right), \tag{6.3}$$

where the constants a and b in Eq. (6.1) are chosen so that $S_q(x)$ has a simple form. Also, we define

$$T_q(x) := D_qu(x) + u(x)u(qx) + \tilde{A}(x)u(qx) + r(x). \tag{6.4}$$

Then, (2.10) will be

$$\int F(x)k(qx)T_q(x)y(x)d_qx = F(x)k(x) \left(y(x)u(x) - D_{q^{-1}}y(x) \right). \tag{6.5}$$

Theorem 6.1 *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 2$. Let $h_n(x; q)$ be the discrete q -Hermite I polynomial of degree n which is defined in (A9). Then,*

$$\int x(q^2x^2; q^2)_\infty h_n(x; q)d_qx = \frac{(1-q)x(x^2; q^2)_\infty}{[n]_q - 1} \left(\frac{q^n}{x} h_n\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) - q^{n-1}[n]_q h_{n-1}\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) \right), \tag{6.6}$$

and

$$\int x^{n-2}(q^2x^2; q^2)_\infty h_n(x; q)d_qx = \frac{x^n(x^2; q^2)_\infty}{[n-1]_q} \left(\frac{h_n\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right)}{x} - \frac{1}{q} h_{n-1}\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) \right). \tag{6.7}$$

Proof From (A10),

$$p(x) = -\frac{x}{1 - q}, \quad r(x) = \frac{q^{1-n}[n]_q}{1 - q}.$$

Hence, $f(x) = (q^2x^2; q^2)_\infty$ is a solution of Eq. (1.3). Set $u(x)$ as in (6.1). Then,

$$S_q(x) = \frac{a(a - 1)}{x^2} + \frac{ab(1 + q)}{qx} + \frac{q^{1-n}([n]_q - a) - q^{-n}bx}{1 - q} + \frac{b^2}{q}. \quad (6.8)$$

If $a = 1$ and $b = 0$ in (6.8), then

$$S_q(x) = \frac{q^{2-n}[n - 1]_q}{1 - q},$$

and $h(x) = x$ is a solution of (2.3). By substituting with $u(x)$, $S_q(x)$, and $h(x)$ into (6.3) and using (5.11), we get (6.6). If $a = [n]_q$ and $b = 0$ in (6.8), then

$$S_q(x) = q[n]_q[n - 1]_q \frac{1}{x^2}.$$

Hence, $h(x) = x^n$ is a solution of (2.3). Substituting with $u(x)$, $S_q(x)$, and $h(x)$ into (6.3) and using (5.11), we get (6.7). □

Remark 3 The indefinite q -integral (6.7) is equivalent to (5.4) in Theorem 5.1.

Theorem 6.2 Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 2$. Let $\tilde{h}_n(x; q)$ be the discrete q -Hermite II polynomial of degree n which is defined in (A11). Then,

$$\int \frac{x}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \tilde{h}_n(x; q) d_q x = \frac{(1 - q)x}{[n - 1]_q (-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \left(\frac{\tilde{h}_n(x; q)}{qx} - q^{-n} [n]_q \tilde{h}_{n-1}(x; q) \right), \quad (6.9)$$

and

$$\int \frac{x^{n-2}}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \tilde{h}_n(x; q) d_q x = \frac{x^n}{[n - 1]_q (-x^2; q^2)_\infty} \left(\frac{\tilde{h}_n(x; q)}{x} - \tilde{h}_{n-1}(x; q) \right). \quad (6.10)$$

Proof From (A12),

$$p(x) = -\frac{x}{1 - q}, \quad r(x) = \frac{[n]_q}{1 - q}.$$

Then, $F(x) = \frac{1}{(-x^2; q^2)_\infty}$ is a solution of (1.6). Set $u(x)$ as in (6.1), we get

$$T_q(x) = \frac{a(a - 1)}{qx^2} + \frac{ab(1 + q)}{qx} + \frac{[n]_q - q^n(q^{-1}a + bx)}{1 - q} + b^2. \quad (6.11)$$

If $a = 1$ and $b = 0$ in (6.11), then

$$T_q(x) = \frac{[n - 1]_q}{1 - q}.$$

Therefore, $k(x) = x$ is a solution of (2.9). By substituting with $u(x)$, $T_q(x)$, and $k(x)$ into (6.5) and using Eq. (5.20), we get (6.9). If $a = q^{1-n}[n]_q$ and $b = 0$ in (6.11), then

$$T_q(x) = q^{1-2n}[n]_q[n - 1]_q \frac{1}{x^2}.$$

Therefore, $k(x) = x^n$ is a solution of (2.9). By substituting with $u(x)$, $T_q(x)$, and $k(x)$ into (6.5) and using (5.20), we get (6.10). □

Remark 4 The indefinite q -integral (6.10) is equivalent to [14, Eq. (69)] (if $m = n$) and to (5.15) in Theorem 5.2.

Theorem 6.3 Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $S_n(x; q)$ is the Stieltjes-Wigert polynomial of degree n defined in (A30), then

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} q^{\frac{k(k-1)}{2} + nk} x^k S_n(q^k x; q) = S_n\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) + \frac{x}{1 - q^n} S_{n-1}(qx; q), \tag{6.12}$$

and

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} q^{\frac{k(k+1)}{2}} x^k \left(1 + q^{2+k}[n - 1]_q x\right) S_n(q^k x; q) = S_n\left(\frac{x}{q}; q\right) + \frac{x}{1 - q} S_{n-1}(qx; q). \tag{6.13}$$

Proof By comparing (A31) with (1.2), we get

$$p(x) = \frac{1 - qx}{qx^2(1 - q)}, \quad r(x) = \frac{[n]_q}{x^2(1 - q)}.$$

Set $u(x)$ as in (6.1). Then,

$$\begin{aligned} S_q(x) &= \frac{b + q[n]_q}{q(1 - q)x^2} + \frac{a(a - [n]_q)}{x^2} + \frac{ab(1 + q) - qb[n - 1]_q}{qx} \\ &+ \frac{a(1 - x)}{(1 - q)x^3} - \frac{b}{q(1 - q)x} + \frac{b^2}{q}. \end{aligned} \tag{6.14}$$

We set $a = [n]_q$ and $b = 0$ in (6.14) then

$$S_q(x) = \frac{[n]_q}{(1 - q)x^3}.$$

Therefore, $h(x) = x^n$ is a solution of (2.3). By substituting with $h(x)$, $S_q(x)$, and $u(x)$ into (6.3), using (5.52) and (5.53), we get (6.12).

If $a = 1$ and $b = 0$ in (6.14), then

$$S_q(x) = \frac{1 + q^2[n - 1]_q x}{(1 - q)x^3}.$$

Therefore, $h(x) = x$ is a solution of (2.3). By substituting with $h(x)$, $S_q(x)$, and $u(x)$ into (6.3) and using (5.52) and (5.53), we get (6.13). □

7 Conclusions

A method of deriving q -integrals using fragments of q -Riccati equations has been presented. The method of fragmentation used is analogous to but not equivalent to that presented in [14]. Only two q -Riccati fragments have been presented here in detail, and these give the quadrature formulas presented in Eqs. (2.20) and (2.22)–(2.23).

8 Appendix A: q -Functions

Jackson introduced three q -analogues of Bessel functions [11, 16], they are defined by

$$J_\nu^{(1)}(z; q) := \frac{(q^{\nu+1}; q)_\infty}{(q; q)_\infty} \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^n}{(q, q^{\nu+1}; q)_n} (z/2)^{2n+\nu}, \quad |z| < 2, \tag{A1}$$

$$J_\nu^{(2)}(z; q) := \frac{(q^{\nu+1}; q)_\infty}{(q; q)_\infty} \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^n q^{n(n+\nu)}}{(q, q^{\nu+1}; q)_n} (z/2)^{2n+\nu}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \tag{A2}$$

$$J_\nu^{(3)}(z; q) := \frac{(q^{\nu+1}; q)_\infty}{(q; q)_\infty} \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^n q^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}}{(q, q^{\nu+1}; q)_n} (z)^{2n+\nu}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}. \tag{A3}$$

The solutions of the second-order q -difference equation, see [1],

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) - y(x) = 0 \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}), \tag{A4}$$

under the initial conditions

$$y(0) = 0, \quad D_q y(0) = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad y(0) = 1, \quad D_q y(0) = 0,$$

are the functions $\sin(x; q)$ and $\cos(x; q)$, respectively. The functions $\sin(z; q)$ and $\cos(z; q)$ are defined for $z \in \mathbb{C}$ by

$$\sin(z; q) := \frac{(q; q)_\infty}{(q^{1/2}; q)_\infty} z^{1/2} J_{1/2}^{(3)}(z(1-q); q^2) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty (-1)^n \frac{q^{n^2+n} z^{2n+1}}{\Gamma_q(2n+2)}, \tag{A5}$$

$$\cos(z; q) := \frac{(q; q)_\infty}{(q^{1/2}; q)_\infty} (zq^{-1/2})^{1/2} J_{-1/2}^{(3)}(z(1-q)/\sqrt{q}; q^2) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty (-1)^n \frac{q^{n^2} z^{2n}}{\Gamma_q(2n+1)}. \tag{A6}$$

The q -trigonometric functions satisfy the q -difference equations

$$D_{q^{-1}} \sin(z; q) = \cos\left(q^{-\frac{1}{2}} z; q\right), \tag{A7}$$

$$D_{q^{-1}} \cos(z; q) = -q^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin\left(q^{-\frac{1}{2}} z; q\right). \tag{A8}$$

The discrete q -Hermite I polynomial of degree n

$$h_n(x; q) := q^{\binom{n}{2}} {}_2\phi_1\left(\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, x^{-1} \\ 0 \end{matrix} \mid q; -qx\right), n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \tag{A9}$$

satisfies the second-order q -difference equation, see [17, Eq. (3.28.5)],

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) - \frac{x}{1-q} D_{q^{-1}} y(x) + \frac{q^{1-n} [n]_q}{1-q} y(x) = 0. \tag{A10}$$

The discrete q -Hermite II polynomials of degree n

$$\tilde{h}_n(x; q) := x^n {}_2\phi_1\left(\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{-n+1} \\ 0 \end{matrix} \mid q^2; \frac{-q^2}{x^2}\right), n \in \mathbb{N}_0, \tag{A11}$$

satisfies the second-order q -difference equation, see [17, Eq. (3.29.5)],

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) - \frac{x}{1-q} D_q y(x) + \frac{[n]_q}{1-q} y(x) = 0. \tag{A12}$$

The q -Airy function

$$Ai_q(x) := {}_1\phi_1(0; -q; q, -x), \tag{A13}$$

satisfies the second-order q -difference equation, see [19, Eq. (4)],

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) - \frac{1+q}{qx(1-q)} D_{q^{-1}} y(x) + \frac{1}{qx(1-q)^2} y(x) = 0. \tag{A14}$$

The Ramanujan function

$$A_q(x) := {}_0\phi_1(-; 0; q, -qx), \tag{A15}$$

satisfies the second-order q -difference equation, see [19, Eq. (5)],

$$\frac{1}{q}D_{q^{-1}}D_q y(x) + \frac{1 - qx}{qx^2(1 - q)}D_{q^{-1}}y(x) + \frac{1}{x^2(1 - q)^2}y(x) = 0. \tag{A16}$$

The q -hypergeometric series ${}_r\phi_s$ is defined by

$${}_r\phi_s \left(\begin{matrix} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_r \\ b_1 & b_2 & \dots & b_s \end{matrix}; q, z \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1; q)_n (a_2; q)_n \dots (a_r; q)_n}{(q; q)_n (b_1; q)_n (b_2; q)_n \dots (b_s; q)_n} \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} z^n,$$

whenever the series converges, see [11].

The q -hypergeometric functions ${}_2\phi_1(q^a, q^b; q^c; q, x)$ satisfy the second-order q -difference equation [11]

$$\frac{1}{q}D_{q^{-1}}D_q y(x) + \frac{[c]_q - [a + b + 1]_q \frac{x}{q}}{x(q^c - q^{a+b}x)}D_{q^{-1}}y(x) - \frac{[a]_q [b]_q}{x(q^c - q^{a+b}x)}y(x) = 0. \tag{A17}$$

The functions

$$y_1(x) = {}_2\phi_1 \left(q^a, q^b; q^c; q, x \right), \quad c \neq q^{-n}, n \in \mathbb{N}_0,$$

$$y_2(x) = x^{1-c} {}_2\phi_1 \left(q^{a+1-c}, q^{b+1-c}; q^{2-c}; q, x \right), \quad q^c \neq q^{n+2}, n \in \mathbb{N}_0,$$

$$y_3(x) = x^{-a} {}_2\phi_1 \left(q^a, q^{a+1-c}; q^{a+1-b}; q, \frac{q^{c-a-b+1}}{x} \right), \quad q^a \neq q^{b-n-1}, n \in \mathbb{N}_0,$$

and

$$y_4(x) = x^{-b} {}_2\phi_1 \left(q^b, q^{b+1-c}; q^{b+1-a}; q, \frac{q^{c-a-b+1}}{x} \right), \quad q^b \neq q^{a-n-1}, n \in \mathbb{N}_0,$$

are solutions of the basic hypergeometric q -difference Eq. (A17), see [11].

Lemma A.1 *Let α and β be complex numbers with positive real parts. Then,*

$$\begin{aligned} B_q(\alpha, \beta; x) &:= \int_0^x t^{\alpha-1} (qt; q)_{\beta-1} d_q t \\ &= x^\alpha (1 - q)(qx; q)_{\beta-1} {}_2\phi_1(q^\beta x, q; qx; q, q^\alpha), \end{aligned} \tag{A18}$$

where $(qt; q)_{\beta-1} = \frac{(qt; q)_{\infty}}{(q^{\beta}t; q)_{\infty}}$.

Proof From (1.14),

$$B_q(\alpha, \beta; x) = x^{\alpha}(1 - q) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{n\alpha} \frac{(q^{n+1}x; q)_{\infty}}{(q^{n+\beta}x; q)_{\infty}}, \quad (\Re(\alpha > 0)).$$

Since $(a; q)_n = \frac{(a; q)_{\infty}}{(aq^n; q)_{\infty}}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} B_q(\alpha, \beta; x) &= x^{\alpha}(1 - q) \frac{(qx; q)_{\infty}}{(q^{\beta}x; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{n\alpha} \frac{(q^{\beta}x; q)_n (q; q)_n}{(qx; q)_n (q; q)_n} \\ &= x^{\alpha}(1 - q)(qx; q)_{\beta-1} {}_2\phi_1(q^{\beta}x, q; qx; q, q^{\alpha}). \end{aligned}$$

□

It is worth noting that from Lemma A.1,

$$B_q(\alpha, \beta; 1) = B_q(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\Gamma_q(\alpha)\Gamma_q(\beta)}{\Gamma_q(\alpha + \beta)}.$$

One of Heine’s transformations of ${}_2\phi_1$ series

$${}_2\phi_1(a, b; c; q, z) = \frac{(b, az; q)_{\infty}}{(c, z; q)_{\infty}} {}_2\phi_1(c/b, z; az; q, b), \tag{A19}$$

see [11, Eq. (III.1)]. The second Jackson q -Bessel function

$$J_v^{(2)}(x|q^2) := J_v^{(2)}(2x(1 - q); q^2), \tag{A20}$$

satisfies the second-order q -difference equation [18]

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) + \frac{1 - qx^2(1 - q)}{x} D_q y(x) + \frac{qx^2 - q^{1-v} [v]_q^2}{x^2} y(x) = 0. \tag{A21}$$

The big q -Legendre polynomials

$$p_n(x; -1; q) := {}_3\phi_2 \left(\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{n+1}, x \\ q, -q \end{matrix} \mid q; q \right) \tag{A22}$$

satisfy the second-order q -difference equation, see [17, Eq. (3.5.17)],

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) + \frac{x(1+q)}{q^2(x^2-1)} D_{q^{-1}} y(x) - \frac{[n]_q [n+1]_q}{q^{1+n}(x^2-1)} y(x) = 0. \tag{A23}$$

The little q -Legendre polynomials

$$p_n(x|q) := {}_2\phi_1 \left(\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{n+1} \\ q \end{matrix} \mid q; qx \right) \tag{A24}$$

satisfy the second-order q -difference equation, see [17, Eq. (3.12.16)],

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) + \frac{qx+x-1}{qx(qx-1)} D_{q^{-1}} y(x) + \frac{[n]_q [n+1]_q}{q^n x(1-qx)} y(x) = 0. \tag{A25}$$

The big q -Laguerre polynomial

$$p_n(x; a, b; q) := {}_3\phi_2 \left(\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, 0, x \\ aq, bq \end{matrix} \mid q; q \right) \tag{A26}$$

satisfies the second-order q -difference equation, see [17, Eq. (3.11.5)],

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) + \frac{x-q(a+b-qab)}{abq^2(1-q)(1-x)} D_{q^{-1}} y(x) - \frac{q^{-n-1}[n]_q}{ab(1-q)(1-x)} y(x) = 0. \tag{A27}$$

The q -Laguerre polynomial of degree n

$$L_n^\alpha(x; q) := \frac{1}{(q; q)_n} {}_2\phi_1 \left(\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, -x \\ 0 \end{matrix} \mid q; q^{n+\alpha+1} \right), \quad \alpha > -1, n \in \mathbb{N}, \tag{A28}$$

satisfies the second-order q -difference equation, see [17, Eq. (3.21.6)],

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) + \frac{1-q^{\alpha+1}(1+x)}{q^{\alpha+1}x(1+x)(1-q)} D_{q^{-1}} y(x) + \frac{[n]_q}{x(1-q)(1+x)} y(x) = 0. \tag{A29}$$

The Stieltjes–Wigert polynomials

$$S_n(x; q) := \frac{1}{(q; q)_n} {}_1\phi_1 \left(\begin{matrix} q^{-n} \\ 0 \end{matrix} \mid q; -q^{n+1}x \right), \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}_0), \tag{A30}$$

satisfy the second-order q -difference equation, see [17, Eq. (3.27.5)],

$$\frac{1}{q} D_{q^{-1}} D_q y(x) + \frac{1 - qx}{qx^2(1 - q)} D_{q^{-1}} y(x) + \frac{[n]_q}{x^2(1 - q)} y(x) = 0. \quad (\text{A31})$$

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