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# ON FRACTIONAL Q-CALCULUS OF THE R-FUNCTION

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ABSTRACT. The F-function and its generalization the R-function are of paramount significance in the fractional calculus. In this paper we establish 2 theorems that interconnects the R-function and the Riemann-Liouville fractional q-integral and q-derivative operators. As special case, we get the fractional q-integral and q-derivative of the F-function.

# 1. INTRODUCTION

The quantum calculus designated as the calculus devoid of limits, replaces the classical derivative with the difference operator to assist the sets of nondifferentiable functions. The fractional q-calculus is the expansion of the regular fractional calculus in the q-theory. It has been employed in various areas of physics, mathematics and engineerings. Al-Salam [5] initiated the conception of q-fractional calculus. Subsequently Al-Salam [4],[5] and Agarwal [1] studied cer- tain q-fractional derivatives and integrals.

The fractional q-integral of Riemann-Liouville type is is given as

(1.1) 
$$(I_{q,h}^{\varphi}g)(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(\varphi)} \int_h^x (x-qz)^{\varphi-1}g(z)d_qz, (\varphi \in \mathbb{R}^+).$$

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Choosing the lower limit of integration h = 0, (1.1) takes the form

(1.2) 
$$(I_q^{\varphi}g)(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(\varphi)} \int_0^x (x - qz)^{\varphi - 1} g(z) d_q z, (\varphi \in R^+).$$

The fractional q-derivative can be defined as:

(1.3) 
$$(D_q^{\varphi}g)(x) = (I_q^{-\varphi}g)(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(-\varphi)} \int_0^x (x-qz)^{-\varphi-1}g(z)d_qz, \varphi < 0.$$

Of late, many new developments have been made in the field of fractional q- calculus engaging these q-derivatives and integrals by numerous researchers, see [2,3,6,7,8,11,12]. It was of immense benefit to discover a generalized function which when differintegrated fractionally by whatsoever order, returned itself. A function as such could enormously simplify the evaluation of fractional order differential equations.

The R-function [9] is defined as

$$R_{\rho,\sigma}(a,c,x) \equiv \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m (x-c)^{(m+1)\rho-1-\sigma}}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho-\sigma)}, x > c \ge 0, \rho \ge 0, Re(\rho-\sigma) > 0.$$

Hartley and Lorenzo formulated a function that would straight away influence the result of the fractional order fundamental linear differential equation and named it as the F-function.

The F-function [9] is defined as

(1.4) 
$$F_{\rho}(a,x) \equiv \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m(x)^{(m+1)\rho-1}}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho)}, \rho > 0.$$

They also showed that the F-function satisfied that which, the Oldham and Spanier (1974) referred to as the eigen function property. Earlier Robotnov (1969,1980) [10] had examined this function in detailed with respect to the hered- itary integrals for utilization in solid mechanics. F-function and its generalization the R-function are of extreme importance in finding solutions of fundamental linear differential equation.

### 2. MAIN RESULT

In this segment, we present the q-integral and q-derivative formula associated with the R-function. Also, as special case we get the fractional q-integral and q-derivative of the F-function.

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**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $x > c \ge 0, \rho \ge 0, Re(\rho - \sigma) > 0$  and  $I_q^{\varphi}$  be the fractional *q*-integral operator, then:

$$I_q^{\varphi}[R_{\rho,\sigma}(a,c,x)] = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho - \sigma)} I_q^{\varphi}(x-c)^{(m+1)\rho - 1 - \sigma}.$$

Proof.

$$\Omega \equiv I_q^{\varphi}[R_{\rho,\sigma}(a,c,x)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(\varphi)} \int_0^x (x-qz)^{\varphi-1} R_{\rho,\sigma}(a,c,z) d_q z$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(\varphi)} \int_0^x (x-qz)^{\varphi-1} \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{a^m (z-c)^{(m+1)\rho-1-\sigma}}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho-\sigma)} d_q z.$$

Shifting the integration and summation order, we get:

$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho - \sigma)} \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(\varphi)} \int_0^x (x - qz)^{\varphi - 1} (z - c)^{(m+1)\rho - 1 - \sigma} d_q z$$
$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho - \sigma)} I_q^{\varphi} (x - c)^{(m+1)\rho - 1 - \sigma}.$$

**Corollary 2.1.** For  $c = 0, \sigma = 0$ , there holds the formula

$$I_q^{\varphi}[R_{\rho}(a,0,x)] = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho)} I_q^{\varphi}(x)^{(m+1)\rho-1}$$

is the fractional q-integral of F-function, that can be calculated by using (1.2) and (1.4).

**Corollary 2.2.** For  $c = 0, \sigma = 0, m = 1$ , there holds the formula

$$I_q^{\varphi}[R_{\rho}(a,x)] = \frac{a}{\Gamma(2\rho)} I_q^{\varphi}(x)^{2\rho-1}.$$

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $x > c \ge 0, \rho \ge 0, Re(\rho - \sigma) > 0$  and  $D_q^{\varphi}$  be the fractional *q*-derivative, then:

$$D_q^{\varphi}[R_{\rho,\sigma}(a,c,x)] = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho - \sigma)} D_q^{\varphi}(x-c)^{(m+1)\rho - 1 - \sigma}.$$

Proof.

$$\Omega \equiv D_q^{\varphi}[R_{\rho,\sigma}(a,c,x)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(-\varphi)} \int_0^x (x-qz)^{-\varphi-1} R_{\rho,\sigma}(a,c,z) d_q z$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(-\varphi)} \int_0^x (x-qz)^{-\varphi-1} \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{a^m (z-c)^{(m+1)\rho-1-\sigma}}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho-\sigma)} d_q z.$$

Shifting the integration and summation order, we get:

$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho - \sigma)} \frac{1}{\Gamma_q(-\varphi)} \int_0^x (x - qz)^{-\varphi - 1} (z - c)^{(m+1)\rho - 1 - \sigma} d_q z$$
$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho - \sigma)} D_q^{\varphi} (x - c)^{(m+1)\rho - 1 - \sigma}.$$

**Corollary 2.3.** For  $c = 0, \sigma = 0$ , theorem 2.4 reduces to

$$D_q^{\varphi}[R_{\rho}(a,0,x)] = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^m}{\Gamma((m+1)\rho)} D_q^{\varphi}(x)^{(m+1)\rho-1},$$

which is the fractional q-derivative of F-function, that can be obtained by solving (1.3) and (1.4).

**Corollary 2.4.** For  $c = 0, \sigma = 0, m = 1$ , the formula reduces to

$$D_q^{\varphi}[R_{\rho}(a,0,x)] = \frac{a}{\Gamma(2\rho)} D_q^{\varphi}(x)^{2\rho-1} \,.$$

# 3. CONCLUSION

It is contemplated that the outcomes of the study may find utilization in finding solutions of fundamental linear fractional differential equation and fractional order problems of physical sciences and engineering areas where the Rfunction and F-function plays a pivotal role.

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