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# On a class of generalized $q$ -Bernoulli and $q$ -Euler polynomials

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## Abstract

The main purpose of this paper is to introduce and investigate a new class of generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials. The  $q$ -analogues of well-known formulas are derived. A generalization of the Srivastava-Pintér addition theorem is obtained.

## 1 Introduction

Throughout this paper, we always make use of the following notation:  $\mathbb{N}$  denotes the set of natural numbers,  $\mathbb{N}_0$  denotes the set of nonnegative integers,  $\mathbb{R}$  denotes the set of real numbers,  $\mathbb{C}$  denotes the set of complex numbers.

The  $q$ -numbers and  $q$ -factorial are defined by

$$[a]_q = \frac{1 - q^a}{1 - q} \quad (q \neq 1); \quad [0]_q! = 1; \quad [n]_q! = [1]_q [2]_q \cdots [n]_q, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, a \in \mathbb{C},$$

respectively. The  $q$ -polynomial coefficient is defined by

$$\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q = \frac{(q; q)_n}{(q; q)_{n-k} (q; q)_k}.$$

The  $q$ -analogue of the function  $(x + y)^n$  is defined by

$$(x + y)_q^n := \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q q^{\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)} x^{n-k} y^k, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

The  $q$ -binomial formula is known as

$$(1 - a)_q^n = \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} (1 - q^j a) = \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q q^{\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)} (-1)^k a^k.$$

In the standard approach to the  $q$ -calculus, two exponential functions are used:

$$e_q(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1 - (1 - q)q^k z)}, \quad 0 < |q| < 1, |z| < \frac{1}{|1 - q|},$$

$$E_q(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)} z^n}{[n]_q!} = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 + (1 - q)q^k z), \quad 0 < |q| < 1, z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

From this form, we easily see that  $e_q(z)E_q(-z) = 1$ . Moreover,

$$D_q e_q(z) = e_q(z), \quad D_q E_q(z) = E_q(qz),$$

where  $D_q$  is defined by

$$D_q f(z) := \frac{f(qz) - f(z)}{qz - z}, \quad 0 < |q| < 1, 0 \neq z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

The above  $q$ -standard notation can be found in [1].

Carlitz firstly extended the classical Bernoulli and Euler numbers and polynomials, introducing them as  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler numbers and polynomials [2–4]. There are numerous recent investigations on this subject by, among many other authors, Cenkci *et al.* [5–7], Choi *et al.* [8] and [9], Kim *et al.* [10–13], Ozden and Simsek [14], Ryoo *et al.* [15], Simsek [16, 17] and [18], and Luo and Srivastava [19], Srivastava *et al.* [20], Mahmudov [21, 22].

Recently, Natalini and Bernardini [23], Bretti *et al.* [24], Kurt [25, 26], Tremblay *et al.* [27, 28] studied the properties of the following generalized Bernoulli and Euler polynomials:

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{t^m}{e^t - \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^k}{k!}} \right)^\alpha e^{tx} &= \sum_{n=0}^\infty B_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \\ \left( \frac{t^m}{e^t + \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^k}{k!}} \right)^\alpha e^{tx} &= \sum_{n=0}^\infty E_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{C}, 1^\alpha := 1. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Motivated by the generalizations in (1) of the classical Bernoulli and Euler polynomials, we introduce and investigate here the so-called generalized two-dimensional  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials, which are defined as follows.

**Definition 1** Let  $q, \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < |q| < 1$ . The generalized two-dimensional  $q$ -Bernoulli polynomials  $\mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y)$  are defined, in a suitable neighborhood of  $t = 0$ , by means of the generating function

$$\left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^\alpha e_q(tx)E_q(ty) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!},$$

where  $T_{m-1,q}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^k}{[k]_q!}$ .

**Definition 2** Let  $q, \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $0 < |q| < 1$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . The generalized two-dimensional  $q$ -Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y)$  are defined, in a suitable neighborhood of  $t = 0$ , by means of the generating functions

$$\left( \frac{2^m}{e_q(t) + T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^\alpha e_q(tx)E_q(ty) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!}.$$

It is obvious that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,y) &= B_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x+y), \\ \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} &= \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,0), \quad \lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} = B_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}, \\ \lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,y) &= E_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x+y), \\ \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} &= \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,0), \quad \lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} = E_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}, \\ \lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0) &= B_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x), \quad \lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) = B_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y), \\ \lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0) &= E_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x), \quad \lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) = E_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Here  $B_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x)$  and  $E_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x)$  denote the generalized Bernoulli and Euler polynomials defined in (1). Notice that  $B_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x)$  was introduced by Natalini [23], and  $E_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x)$  was introduced by Kurt [25].

In fact Definitions 1 and 2 define two different types  $\mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0)$  and  $\mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y)$  of the generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli polynomials and two different types  $\mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0)$  and  $\mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y)$  of the generalized  $q$ -Euler polynomials. Both polynomials  $\mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0)$  and  $\mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y)$  ( $\mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0)$  and  $\mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y)$ ) coincide with the classical higher-order generalized Bernoulli polynomials (Euler polynomials) in the limiting case  $q \rightarrow 1^-$ .

## 2 Preliminaries and lemmas

In this section we provide some basic formulas for the generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials to obtain the main results of this paper in the next section. The following result is a  $q$ -analogue of the addition theorem for the classical Bernoulli and Euler polynomials.

**Lemma 3** For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{C}$  we have

$$\mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,y) = \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x+y)_q^{n-k}, \tag{2}$$

$$\mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,y) = \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x+y)_q^{n-k},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,y) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q q^{(n-k)(n-k-1)/2} \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0) y^{n-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) x^{n-k}, \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,y) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q q^{(n-k)(n-k-1)/2} \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0) y^{n-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) x^{n-k}. \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

In particular, setting  $x = 0$  and  $y = 0$  in (3) and (4), we get the following formulae for the generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials, respectively,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} x^{n-k}, \\ \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0, y) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q q^{(n-k)(n-k-1)/2} \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} y^{n-k}, \\ \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} x^{n-k}, \\ \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0, y) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q q^{(n-k)(n-k-1)/2} \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} y^{n-k}. \end{aligned}$$

Setting  $y = 1$  and  $x = 1$  in (3) and (4), we get, respectively,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 1) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q q^{(n-k)(n-k-1)/2} \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0), \\ \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(1, y) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0, y), \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 1) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q q^{(n-k)(n-k-1)/2} \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{(\alpha)}(x, 0), \\ \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(1, y) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0, y). \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Clearly, (5) and (6) are the generalization of  $q$ -analogues of

$$B_n(x+1) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} B_k(x), \quad E_n(x+1) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} E_k(x),$$

respectively.

**Lemma 4** *The generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials satisfy the following relations:*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha+\beta]}(x, y) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\beta]}(0, y), \\ \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha+\beta]}(x, y) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\beta]}(0, y). \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 5** *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} D_{q,x} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) &= [n]_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-1,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y), & D_{q,y} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) &= [n]_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-1,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, qy), \\ D_{q,x} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) &= [n]_q \mathfrak{E}_{n-1,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y), & D_{q,y} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) &= [n]_q \mathfrak{E}_{n-1,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, qy). \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 6** *The generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials satisfy the following relations:*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(1,y) - \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) &= \frac{[n]_q!}{[n-m]_q!} \mathfrak{B}_{n-m,q}^{[m-1,\alpha-1]}(0,y), \quad n \geq m, \quad (7) \\ \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(1,y) + \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) &= 2^m \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha-1]}(0,y), \\ \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0) - \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,-1) &= \frac{[n]_q!}{[n-m]_q!} \mathfrak{B}_{n-m,q}^{[m-1,\alpha-1]}(x,-1), \quad n \geq m, \\ \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,0) + \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,-1) &= 2^m \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha-1]}(x,-1). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof* We prove only (7). The proof is based on the following equality:

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(1,y) - \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \right) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\ &= \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^\alpha e_q(t) E_q(ty) - T_{m-1,q}(t) \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^\alpha E_q(ty) \\ &= \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^\alpha E_q(ty) (e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)) \\ &= t^m \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^{\alpha-1} E_q(ty) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[n+m]_q!}{[n]_q!} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha-1]}(0,y) \frac{t^{n+m}}{[n+m]_q!}. \end{aligned}$$

Here we used the following relation:

$$\begin{aligned} &T_{m-1,q}(t) \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^\alpha E_q(ty) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \left( \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} + \frac{t^{n+1}}{[n]_q!} + \frac{t^{n+2}}{[n]_q! [2]_q!} + \dots + \frac{t^{n+m-1}}{[n]_q! [m-1]_q!} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [n]_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-1,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[n]_q [n-1]_q}{[2]_q!} \mathfrak{B}_{n-2,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\ &\quad + \dots + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[n]_q \dots [n-m+2]_q}{[m-1]_q!} \mathfrak{B}_{n-m+1,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 7** Taking  $q \rightarrow 1^-$ , we have

$$\mathfrak{B}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y+1) - \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-k}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y) = \frac{[n]_q!}{[n-m]_q!} \mathfrak{B}_{n-m}^{[m-1,\alpha-1]}(y), \quad n \geq m,$$

$$\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y+1) + \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y) = 2^m \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha-1]}(y).$$

**Lemma 8** The generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli polynomials satisfy the following relations:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(1,y) - \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \\ &= [n]_q \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} n-1 \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \mathfrak{B}_{n-1-k,q}^{[0,-1]}. \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

*Proof* Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(1,y) - \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \right) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\ &= \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^\alpha e_q(t) E_q(ty) - T_{m-1,q}(t) \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^\alpha E_q(ty) \\ &= \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)} \right)^\alpha E_q(ty) \frac{e_q(t) - T_{m-1,q}(t)}{t} t \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[0,-1]} \frac{t^{n+1}}{[n]_q!} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [n]_q \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} n-1 \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \mathfrak{B}_{n-1-k,q}^{[0,-1]} \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Remark 9** Notice taking limit in (8) as  $q \rightarrow 1^-$ , we get

$$\mathfrak{B}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y+1) - \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{B}_{n-k}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y) = n \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} \mathfrak{B}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y) \mathfrak{B}_{n-1-k}^{[0,-1]}.$$

It is a correct form of formula (2.7) from [27] for  $\lambda = 1$ .

**Lemma 10** We have

$$\begin{aligned} x^n &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{[k]_q!}{[k+m]_q!} \mathfrak{B}_{n-k,q}^{[m-1,1]}(x,0), & y^n &= \frac{1}{q^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{[k]_q!}{[k+m]_q!} \mathfrak{B}_{n-k,q}^{[m-1,1]}(0,y), \\ x^n &= \frac{1}{2^m} \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,1]}(x,0) + \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,1]}(x,0) \right), \\ y^n &= \frac{1}{2^m q^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}} \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}^{[m-1,1]}(0,y) + \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}^{[m-1,1]}(0,y) \right). \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 10 we obtain the list of generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli polynomials as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{B}_{0,q}^{[m-1,1]}(x, 0) &= [m]_q!, & \mathfrak{B}_{0,q}^{[m-1,1]}(0, y) &= [m]_q!, \\ \mathfrak{B}_{1,q}^{[m-1,1]}(x, 0) &= [m]_q! \left( x - \frac{1}{[m+1]_q} \right), & \mathfrak{B}_{1,q}^{[m-1,1]}(0, y) &= [m]_q! \left( y - \frac{1}{[m+1]_q} \right), \\ \mathfrak{B}_{2,q}^{[m-1,1]}(x, 0) &= x^2 - \frac{[2]_q [m]_q!}{[m+1]_q} x + \frac{[2]_q q^{m+1} [m]_q!}{[m+1]_q^2 [m+2]_q}, \\ \mathfrak{B}_{2,q}^{[m-1,1]}(0, y) &= qy^2 - \frac{[2]_q [m]_q!}{[m+1]_q} y + \frac{[2]_q q^{m+1} [m]_q!}{[m+1]_q^2 [m+2]_q}. \end{aligned}$$

### 3 Explicit relationship between the $q$ -Bernoulli and $q$ -Euler polynomials

In this section, we give some generalizations of the Srivastava-Pintér addition theorem. We also obtain new formulae and their some special cases below.

We present natural  $q$ -extensions of the main results of the papers [29, 30].

**Theorem 11** *The relationships*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \left[ \frac{1}{l^{n-k}} \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) + \sum_{j=0}^k \begin{bmatrix} k \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{1}{l^{k-j}} \mathfrak{B}_{j,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \right] \mathfrak{E}_{n-k,q}(0, ly), \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

$$\mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{1}{l^{n-k}} \left[ \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0, y) + \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} \left( \frac{1}{l}, y \right) \right] \mathfrak{E}_{n-k,q}(lx, 0) \tag{10}$$

hold true between the generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli polynomials and  $q$ -Euler polynomials.

*Proof* First we prove (9). Using the identity

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^i}{[i]_q!}} \right)^\alpha e_q(tx) E_q(ty) \\ &= \frac{2}{e_q(\frac{t}{l}) + 1} \cdot E_q \left( \frac{t}{l} ly \right) \cdot \frac{e_q(\frac{t}{l}) + 1}{2} \cdot \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^i}{[i]_q!}} \right)^\alpha e_q(tx), \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}(0, ly) \frac{t^n}{l^n [n]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^k}{l^k [k]_q!} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{j,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \frac{t^j}{[j]_q!} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}(0, ly) \frac{t^k}{l^k [k]_q!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\ &=: I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}(0, ly) \frac{t^k}{l^k [k]_q!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q l^{k-n} \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k,q}(0, ly) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!}.
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}(0, ly) \frac{t^k}{l^k [k]_q!} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^j}{l^j [j]_q!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^k \begin{bmatrix} k \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{j,q}(0, ly) \frac{t^k}{l^k [k]_q!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \begin{bmatrix} n-k \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{1}{l^{n-k}} \mathfrak{E}_{j,q}(0, ly) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{E}_{j,q}(0, ly) \sum_{k=0}^{n-j} \begin{bmatrix} n-j \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{1}{l^{n-k}} \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \left[ \frac{1}{l^{n-k}} \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) + \sum_{j=0}^k \begin{bmatrix} k \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{1}{l^{k-j}} \mathfrak{B}_{j,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, 0) \right] \\
 &\quad \times \mathfrak{E}_{n-k,q}(0, ly) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Next we prove (10). Using the identity

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^i}{[i]_q!}} \right)^\alpha e_q(tx) E_q(ty) \\
 &= \frac{2}{e_q(\frac{t}{l}) + 1} \cdot e_q\left(\frac{t}{l} lx\right) \cdot \frac{e_q(\frac{t}{l}) + 1}{2} \cdot \left( \frac{t^m}{e_q(t) - \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \frac{t^i}{[i]_q!}} \right)^\alpha E_q(ty),
 \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_{n,q}(lx, 0) \frac{t^n}{l^n [n]_q!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} \left( \frac{1}{l}, y \right) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}(lx, 0) \frac{t^k}{l^k [k]_q!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0, y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\
 &=: I_1 + I_2.
 \end{aligned}$$



It is clear that

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}(lx,0) \frac{t^k}{l^k [k]_q!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q l^{k-n} \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k,q}(lx,0) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!}.
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} \left( \frac{1}{l}, y \right) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_{k,q}(lx,0) \frac{t^k}{m^k [k]_q!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q l^{k-n} \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} \left( \frac{1}{l}, y \right) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k,q}(lx,0) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,y) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q l^{k-n} \left[ \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) + \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]} \left( \frac{1}{l}, y \right) \right] \mathfrak{E}_{n-k,q}(lx,0) \frac{t^n}{[n]_q!}. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Next we discuss some special cases of Theorem 11.

**Theorem 12** *The relationship*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathfrak{B}_{n,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x,y) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \left[ \mathfrak{B}_{k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) + \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{n-k,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + [k]_q \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \begin{bmatrix} k-1 \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \mathfrak{B}_{j,q}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(0,y) \mathfrak{B}_{k-1-j,q}^{[0,-1]} \right] \mathfrak{E}_{n-k,q}(x,0)
 \end{aligned}$$

holds true between the generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli polynomials and the  $q$ -Euler polynomials.

**Remark 13** Taking  $q \rightarrow 1^-$  in Theorem 12, we obtain the Srivastava-Pintér addition theorem for the generalized Bernoulli and Euler polynomials.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathfrak{B}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x+y) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left[ \mathfrak{B}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y) + \sum_{k=0}^{\min(n,m-1)} \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{B}_{n-k}^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + k \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \binom{k-1}{j} \mathfrak{B}_j^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y) \mathfrak{B}_{k-1-j}^{[0,-1]} \right] \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}(x). \tag{11}
 \end{aligned}$$

Notice that the Srivastava-Pintér addition theorem for the generalized Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials and the Apostol-Euler polynomials was given in [27]. The formula (11) is a correct version of Theorem 3 [27] for  $\lambda = 1$ .

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