



# A Note on Generalized Degenerate $q$ -Bernoulli and $q$ -Euler Matrices

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## Abstract

In this paper, we explore the concepts of generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomial matrices, elucidating their fundamental properties. Our primary focus is on investigating inversion-type formulas and matrix inversion formulas that are interconnected with these matrices.

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## 1 Introduction

The term ‘quantum group’ was coined by the Fields Medalist V. G. Drinfel’d to describe a novel mathematical structure that first appeared in a technique for studying integrable systems in quantum field theory and statistical mechanics, known as the quantum inverse scattering method. Drinfel’d [7, 8] realized that the algebraic structure associated with the quantum inverse scattering method could be reproduced through a suitable algebraic quantization of Poisson Lie algebras. Similar relations were obtained by Jimbo [15] using a somewhat different approach. Today, quantum groups and their representations, closely related to well-known  $q$ -special functions, constitute a significant part of both mathematics and theoretical physics [31].

In this context,  $q$ -Pascal matrices [9, 10, 14, 27, 28, 34] can be used to construct specific representations of quantum groups. These representations are important as they provide a framework for understanding symmetries in quantum mechanics and quantum field theory in a non-commutative setting (see, for instance, [22]).

For example, the  $q$ -general linear group  $GL_q(n, \mathbb{C})$  is a quantum group that arises by deforming the algebraic properties of the general linear group  $GL(n, \mathbb{C})$  using a deformation parameter  $q$ . The  $q$ -special linear group  $SL_q(n, \mathbb{C})$  is a subgroup of  $GL_q(n, \mathbb{C})$  that plays a significant role in quantum algebra. It is possible to define certain quantum matrices related to Plücker coordinates in  $SL_q(n, \mathbb{C})$ . These quantum matrices have entries that are  $q$ -analogues of binomial coefficients and can be similar in nature to  $q$ -Pascal matrices. Furthermore, quantum matrices are used to construct representations of quantum groups like  $SL_q(n, \mathbb{C})$ , and often these matrices exhibit properties similar to those of  $q$ -Pascal matrices.

More recently, inversion formulas for various types of  $q$ -Pascal matrices, determinantal representations for polynomial sequences, identities involving  $q$ -Gaussian coefficients, and a novel general method of constructing  $q$ -analogues and other generalizations of Pascal-like matrices have been provided in [1, 29] (see also [11, 12] for some earlier approaches). Additionally, it has been proven that  $q$ -Pascal matrices allow the construction of  $q$ -analogues of certain Banach sequence spaces [32, 33].

Motivated by [23] and recent works such as [2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 13, 16, 19, 20, 30], we introduce a  $\lambda$ -degenerate deformation on  $q$ -Pascal matrices and provide corresponding factorizations for the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomial matrices, respectively. Furthermore, we present inversion-type formulas for the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials. Furthermore, we show the inversion-type formulae for the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials.

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The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 contains some notations, definitions, and properties of the  $q$ -analogs and some other auxiliary results which we will use throughout the paper. In Section 3, we present the corresponding inversion-type formulas for the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials, respectively, and establish novel properties for the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler matrices (see Theorems 3.1, 3.3, 3.5, and 3.6). Finally, we provide concluding remarks in Section 4.

## 2 Background and previous results

Throughout this paper, let  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}$ , and  $\mathbb{C}$  denote, respectively, the sets of natural numbers, non-negative integers, integers, real numbers, and complex numbers. As usual, we will always use the principal branch for complex powers, in particular,  $1^\alpha = 1$  for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ . Furthermore, the convention  $0^0 = 1$  will be adopted.

For  $w \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we use the notations  $w^{(k)}$  and  $(w)_k$  for the rising and falling factorials, respectively, i.e.,

$$w^{(k)} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k = 0, \\ \prod_{i=1}^k (w + i - 1), & \text{if } k \geq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } k < 0, \end{cases}$$

and

$$(w)_k = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k = 0, \\ \prod_{i=1}^k (w - i + 1), & \text{if } k \geq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } k < 0. \end{cases}$$

Next, we introduce some  $q$ -notations that will be needed frequently. The  $q$ -shifted factorial  $(a; q)_n$  is defined by

$$(a; q)_n := \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0, \\ \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (1 - aq^k), & n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

where  $a, q \in \mathbb{C}$  and it is assumed that  $a \neq q^{-m}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . It is well known that there exists other notations for the  $q$ -shifted factorial (1), for instance,  $(a)_{q,n}$ ,  $[a]_n$ , and even  $(a)_n$ , when the base  $q$  is understood. So, in order to avoid any ambiguity we only use the notation (1).

For any  $z, q \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $q \neq 1$  and  $q^z \neq 1$ , the  $q$ -number  $[z]_q$  is defined by (cf. [28])

$$[z]_q := \frac{q^z - 1}{q - 1}, \tag{2}$$

with the convention  $[0]_q = 0$ .

In particular, the  $q$ -analogue of  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  is obtained from (2) taking  $z = n$ , i.e.,

$$[n]_q = 1 + q + q^2 + \dots + q^{n-1}.$$

The  $q$ -analogue of  $n!$  is then defined by

$$[n]_q! := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ [n]_q [n-1]_q \cdots [2]_q [1]_q, & \text{if } n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{cases}$$

from which the  $q$ -binomial coefficient is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q := \frac{[n]_q!}{[n-k]_q! [k]_q!}, \quad n, k \in \mathbb{N}_0; 0 \leq k \leq n.$$

Any matrix is assumed an element of  $M_{n+1}(\mathbb{R})$ , the set of all  $(n + 1)$ -square matrices over the real field  $\mathbb{R}$ . Moreover, for  $i, j$ , any nonnegative integers, and any matrix  $A \in M_{n+1}(\mathbb{R})$  we adopt, respectively, the following conventions

$$\begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q = 0, \text{ whenever } j > i, \quad \text{and} \quad A^0 = I_{n+1} = \text{diag}(1, 1, \dots, 1),$$

where  $I_{n+1}$  denotes the identity matrix of order  $n + 1$ .

From now on, the constraint  $|q| < 1$  will be tacitly assumed. For  $\lambda, x \in \mathbb{R}$ , the degenerate  $q$ -exponentials are defined as follows (cf. [20]):

$$e_{q,\lambda}^x(z) = \begin{cases} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x)_{n,\lambda} \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!}, & |z| < 1, \quad \text{if } \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!}, & |z| < 1, \quad \text{if } \lambda = 0, \end{cases} \tag{3}$$

where the generalized falling factorials  $(x)_{n,\lambda}$ , are given by (cf. [16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21]):

$$(x)_{n,\lambda} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ \prod_{i=1}^n (x - (i-1)\lambda), & \text{if } n \geq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } n < 0. \end{cases}$$

It is clear that  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} e_{q,\lambda}^x(z) = e_{q,0}^x(z)$ . Furthermore,  $e_{q,0}^1(z)$  coincides with a  $q$ -analogue of the classical exponential function [28, Equation (7)].

The degenerate  $q$ -exponentials (3) do not satisfy the exponents product law like the exponentials functions, i.e.,

$$e_{q,\lambda}^{x+y}(z) \neq e_{q,\lambda}^x(z) e_{q,\lambda}^y(z).$$

For  $x, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , we also consider, respectively, the  $\lambda$ -binomial and the degenerate  $q$ -binomial coefficients as follows [20, Equations (9), (27)]:

$$\begin{aligned} \binom{x}{n}_\lambda &= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ \frac{(x)_{n,\lambda}}{n!}, & \text{if } n \geq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } n < 0, \end{cases} \\ \binom{x}{n}_{q,\lambda} &= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ \frac{(x)_{n,\lambda}}{[n]_q!}, & \text{if } n \geq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } n < 0. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

Since the following expression holds (cf. [13, Equation (7)])

$$(x+y)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (x)_{k,\lambda} (y)_{n-k,\lambda}, \quad n \geq 0,$$

it is straightforward that ([20, Equation (10)])

$$\binom{x+y}{n}_\lambda = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{x}{k}_\lambda \binom{y}{n-k}_\lambda, \quad n \geq 0.$$

Finally, the connection between the  $\lambda$ -binomial and the degenerate  $q$ -binomial coefficients is given by

$$\binom{x}{n}_\lambda = \frac{[n]_q!}{n!} \binom{x}{n}_{q,\lambda}.$$

For  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $|q| < 1$  and  $|x| < |1 - q|^{-1}$ , we consider the degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials of order  $r$  as follows [20]:

$$\left(\frac{z}{e_{q,\lambda}(z) - 1}\right)^r e_{q,\lambda}^x(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x) \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!}, \quad |z| < 1, \tag{5}$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{e_{q,\lambda}(z) + 1}\right)^r e_{q,\lambda}^x(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x) \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!}, \quad |z| < 1. \tag{6}$$

These represent degenerate versions of the  $q$ -analogue of the classical Bernoulli and Euler polynomials, respectively. As usual, when  $x = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(0) = \mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(r)}$  and  $\mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(0) = \mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(r)}$  are called respectively, the degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler numbers of order  $r$ .

When  $r = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(1)}(x) = \mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}(x)$  ( $\mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(1)}(x) = \mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}(x)$ ) which are the degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli ( $q$ -Euler) polynomials and notice that  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x) = \mathcal{B}_{n,q}^{(r)}(x)$  ( $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x) = \mathcal{E}_{n,q}^{(r)}(x)$ ), which are  $q$ -Bernoulli ( $q$ -Euler) polynomials of order  $r$ . Finally,  $\mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(0)}(x) = (x)_{n,\lambda} = \mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}^{(0)}(x)$ .

In [20] is proved the following addition formula:

$$\binom{x+y}{n}_{q,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\binom{n}{k}}{\left[ \begin{smallmatrix} n \\ k \end{smallmatrix} \right]_q} \binom{x}{k}_{q,\lambda} \binom{y}{n-k}_{q,\lambda}.$$

### 3 Generalized degenerate $q$ -Bernoulli and $q$ -Euler matrices and their properties

Inversion formulae are typically used to compute the coefficients of a generating function or to count specific combinatorial structures. In contrast, inversion-type formulae are similar to the former but may involve more complex operations or dependencies on multiple parameters. In the context of generalized degenerate  $q$ -Pascal matrices, inversion-type formulae allow us to factorize these matrices in terms of degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli ( $q$ -Euler) matrices. In this section, we present some novel properties for the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler matrices. Before that, we demonstrate the corresponding inversion-type formulas for the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials, respectively.

**Theorem 3.1.** *For every  $n \geq 0$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $r = 1$ , the degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli polynomials satisfy the following inversion-type formula:*

$$\binom{x}{n}_{q,\lambda} = \frac{1}{[n+1]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^n \left[ \begin{smallmatrix} n+1 \\ k+1 \end{smallmatrix} \right]_q (1)_{k+1,\lambda} \mathcal{B}_{n-k,q,\lambda}(x) \tag{7}$$

$$= \frac{1}{[n+1]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^n \left[ \begin{smallmatrix} n+1 \\ k+1 \end{smallmatrix} \right]_q (1-\lambda)_{k,\lambda} \mathcal{B}_{n-k,q,\lambda}(x). \tag{8}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . In view of (3) and (5), and the identity

$$z \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x)_{n,\lambda} \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [n+1]_q (x)_{n,\lambda} \frac{z^{n+1}}{[n+1]_q!},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [n+1]_q (x)_{n,\lambda} \frac{z^{n+1}}{[n+1]_q!} &= \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1)_{n,\lambda} \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} - 1 \right] \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}(x) \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} \right] \\ &= \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1)_{n+1,\lambda} \frac{z^{n+1}}{[n+1]_q!} \right] \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}(x) \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

From the use of the Cauchy product rule on the right-hand side of (9), it follows that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [n+1]_q (x)_{n,\lambda} \frac{z^{n+1}}{[n+1]_q!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n \left[ \begin{smallmatrix} n+1 \\ k+1 \end{smallmatrix} \right]_q (1)_{k+1,\lambda} \mathcal{B}_{n-k,q,\lambda}(x) \right] \frac{z^{n+1}}{[n+1]_q!}. \tag{10}$$

Hence, comparing the coefficients of  $z^{n+1}$  on both sides of (10) and using the identity (4), we obtain (7).

Finally, (8) is a simple consequence of the identity  $(1)_{k+1,\lambda} = (1-\lambda)_{k,\lambda}$ , for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . □

**Example 3.1.** The first three degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli polynomials are

$$\mathcal{B}_{0,q,\lambda}(x) = 1, \quad \mathcal{B}_{1,q,\lambda}(x) = x + \frac{\lambda-1}{[2]_q}, \quad \mathcal{B}_{2,q,\lambda}(x) = x^2 - x + \frac{\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1}{[2]_q} - \frac{2\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 1}{[3]_q}.$$

*Remark 1.* Notice that the substitution of  $\lambda = 0$  into (7) recovers the classical  $q$ -Bernoulli polynomials (cf. [14, 24, 25]).

From a matrix framework, Theorem 3.1 has the following consequence.

**Corollary 3.2.** *For  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , the matrix  $\mathbf{T}_\lambda(x) = (1 \quad (x)_{1,\lambda} \quad \cdots \quad (x)_{n,\lambda})^T$  can be expressed as follows:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{T}_\lambda(x) &= \mathbf{M}_\lambda \mathbf{B}_{q,\lambda}(x) \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{1,\lambda} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{[2]_q} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{2,\lambda} & \frac{1}{[2]_q} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{1,\lambda} & \cdots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{[3]_q} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{3,\lambda} & \frac{1}{[3]_q} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{2,\lambda} & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{[n+1]_q} \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ n+1 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{n+1,\lambda} & \frac{1}{[n+1]_q} \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ n \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{n,\lambda} & \cdots & \frac{1}{[n+1]_q} \begin{bmatrix} n+1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{1,\lambda} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{B}_{q,\lambda}(x) \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{[2]_q} (1)_{2,\lambda} & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \frac{1}{[3]_q} (1)_{3,\lambda} & (1)_{2,\lambda} & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{[n+1]_q} (1)_{n+1,\lambda} & (1)_{n,\lambda} & \frac{[n]_q}{[2]_q} (1)_{n-1,\lambda} & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{B}_{q,\lambda}(x),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{B}_{q,\lambda}(x) = (\mathcal{B}_{0,q,\lambda}(x) \ \mathcal{B}_{1,q,\lambda}(x) \ \cdots \ \mathcal{B}_{n,q,\lambda}(x))^T$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** For every  $n \geq 0$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $r = 1$ , the degenerate  $q$ -Euler polynomials satisfy the following inversion-type formula:

$$\binom{x}{n}_{q,\lambda} = \frac{1}{2[n]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_k)(1)_{k,\lambda} \mathcal{E}_{n-k,q,\lambda}(x), \tag{11}$$

where

$$a_k = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k = 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq n. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* From (3) and (6) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x)_{n,\lambda} \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} &= \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1)_{n,\lambda} \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} + 1 \right] \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}(x) \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1+a_n)(1)_{n,\lambda} \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} \right] \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}(x) \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!} \right] \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n (1+a_k) \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{k,\lambda} \mathcal{E}_{n-k,q,\lambda}(x) \right] \frac{z^n}{[n]_q!},
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$a_k = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k = 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq n. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, by comparing the coefficients of  $z^n$  on both sides and using the identity (4), we obtain the identity (11). □

Theorem 3.3 has the following consequence.

**Corollary 3.4.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , the matrix  $\mathbf{T}_\lambda(x) = (1 \ (x)_{1,\lambda} \ \cdots \ (x)_{n,\lambda})^T$  can be expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{T}_\lambda(x) &= \mathbf{M}_\lambda \mathbf{E}_{q,\lambda}(x) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_0)(1)_{0,\lambda} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_1)(1)_{1,\lambda} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_0)(1)_{0,\lambda} & \cdots & 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_2)(1)_{2,\lambda} & \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_2)(1)_{1,\lambda} & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ \begin{bmatrix} n \\ n \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_n)(1)_{n,\lambda} & \begin{bmatrix} n \\ n-1 \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_n)(1)_{n-1,\lambda} & \cdots & \begin{bmatrix} n \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_0)(1)_{0,\lambda} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{E}_{q,\lambda}(x) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ (1)_{1,\lambda} & 2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ (1)_{2,\lambda} & (1)_{1,\lambda} & 2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ (1)_{n,\lambda} & (1)_{n-1,\lambda} & (1)_{n-2,\lambda} & \cdots & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{E}_{q,\lambda}(x),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{E}_{q,\lambda}(x) = (\mathcal{E}_{0,q,\lambda}(x) \quad \mathcal{E}_{1,q,\lambda}(x) \quad \cdots \quad \mathcal{E}_{n,q,\lambda}(x))^T$ .

The degenerate  $q$ -Pascal matrices corresponding to the generalized falling factorials can be defined as follows:

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $x$  be any nonzero real number. For  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $|q| < 1$ , the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Pascal matrix of first kind  $P_{q,\lambda}[x]$ , is an  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$  matrix whose entries are given by

$$P_{i,j,q,\lambda}(x) := \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q (x)_{i-j,\lambda}, & i \geq j, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{12}$$

*Remark 2.*

- (i) It is clear that the matrix  $P_{q,\lambda}[x]$  tends to the  $q$ -Pascal matrix of first kind  $P_q[x]$  as  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$  (cf. [10] (Equation (8))).
- (ii) It is worth mentioning that  $P_{q,\lambda}[x]$  is a lower triangular matrix with nonnull determinant and hence, it is a nonsingular matrix.
- (iii) The identity (4) says us that the entries of the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Pascal matrix of first kind in (12) can be written as

$$P_{i,j,q,\lambda}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{[i]_q!}{[j]_q!} \binom{x}{i-j}_{q,\lambda}, & i \geq j, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (iv) For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ , the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Pascal matrix do not satisfy the addition law like the generalized degenerate Pascal matrix, i.e.,

$$P_{q,\lambda}[x + y] \neq P_{q,\lambda}[x]P_{q,\lambda}[y].$$

- (v) If the convention  $(0)_{0,\lambda} = 1$  is adopted, then it is possible to define

$$P_{q,\lambda}[0] := I_{n+1}.$$

**Definition 3.2.** The generalized degenerate  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$   $q$ -Bernoulli matrix  $\mathcal{B}_{q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x)$  of real order  $r$  is defined by the entries

$$\mathcal{B}_{i,j,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x) = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{B}_{i-j,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x), & i \geq j, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Remark 3.*

- (i) We denote by  $\mathcal{B}_{q,\lambda}(x)$  the degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli matrix  $\mathcal{B}_{q,\lambda}^{(1)}(x)$ .

Definition 3.2 and the inversion-type formula (7) lead to the following result:

**Theorem 3.5.** *The generalized degenerate  $q$ -Pascal matrix of the first kind  $P_{q,\lambda}[x]$  can be factorized in terms of  $\mathcal{B}_{q,\lambda}(x)$  as follows:*

$$P_{q,\lambda}[x] = \mathcal{B}_{q,\lambda}(x)\mathcal{H}_{q,\lambda}, \tag{13}$$

where  $\mathcal{H}_{q,\lambda}$  is an  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$  invertible matrix with entries

$$\mathcal{H}_{i,j,q,\lambda} = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(1)_{i-j+1,\lambda}}{[i-j+1]_q!}, & i \geq j, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let us consider  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $0 \leq i, j \leq n$  such that  $i \geq j$ . From Definition 3.2 and the inversion-type formula (7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_{i,j,q,\lambda}(x) &= \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q (x)_{i-j,\lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{1}{[i-j+1]_q!} \sum_{k=0}^{i-j} \begin{bmatrix} i-j+1 \\ k+1 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{k+1,\lambda} \mathcal{B}_{i-j-k,q,\lambda}(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{i-j} \begin{bmatrix} i-j \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{B}_{i-j-k,q,\lambda}(x) \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(1)_{k+1,\lambda}}{[k+1]_q!}. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

Since the right hand member of (14) is the  $(i, j)$ -th entry of matrix product  $\mathcal{B}_{q,\lambda}(x)\mathcal{H}_{q,\lambda}$ , we conclude that (13) holds. Notice that the matrix  $\mathcal{H}_{q,\lambda}$  is a lower triangular matrix with nonnull determinant and hence, it is a nonsingular matrix.  $\square$

The following example shows the validity of Theorem 3.5.

**Example 3.2.** Let us consider  $n = 2$ . It follows from Definition 3.1, (13), and a simple computation that

$$\begin{aligned} P_{q,\lambda}[x] &= \begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q (x)_{0,\lambda} & 0 & 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q (x)_{1,\lambda} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q (x)_{0,\lambda} & 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q (x)_{2,\lambda} & \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q (x)_{1,\lambda} & \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}_q (x)_{0,\lambda} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{B}_{0,q,\lambda}(x) & 0 & 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{B}_{1,q,\lambda}(x) & \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{B}_{0,q,\lambda}(x) & 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{B}_{2,q,\lambda}(x) & \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{B}_{1,q,\lambda}(x) & \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{B}_{0,q,\lambda}(x) \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathcal{B}_{q,\lambda}(x)} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{1,\lambda} & 0 & 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(1)_{2,\lambda}}{[2]_q} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{1,\lambda} & 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(1)_{3,\lambda}}{[3]_q} & \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(1)_{2,\lambda}}{[2]_q} & \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}_q (1)_{1,\lambda} \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathcal{H}_{q,\lambda}}. \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 3.3.** The generalized degenerate  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$   $q$ -Euler matrix  $\mathcal{E}_{q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x)$  is defined by the entries

$$\mathcal{E}_{i,j,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x) = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{E}_{i-j,q,\lambda}^{(r)}(x), & i \geq j, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We denote by  $\mathcal{E}_{q,\lambda}(x)$  the degenerate  $q$ -Euler matrix  $\mathcal{E}_{q,\lambda}^{(1)}(x)$ .

Definition 3.3 and the inversion-type formula (11) lead to the following result:

**Theorem 3.6.** *The generalized degenerate  $q$ -Pascal matrix of the first kind  $P_{q,\lambda}[x]$  can be factorized in terms of  $\mathcal{E}_{q,\lambda}(x)$  as follows:*

$$P_{q,\lambda}[x] = \mathcal{E}_{q,\lambda}(x)\mathcal{T}_{q,\lambda}, \tag{15}$$

where  $\mathcal{T}_{q,\lambda}$  is an  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$  invertible matrix with entries

$$\mathcal{T}_{i,j,q,\lambda} = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(1 + a_{i-j})(1)_{i-j,\lambda}}{2}, & i \geq j, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let us consider  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $0 \leq i, j \leq n$  such that  $i \geq j$ . From Definition 3.3 and the inversion-type formula (11), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{i,j,q,\lambda}(x) &= \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q (x)_{i-j,\lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{i-j} \begin{bmatrix} i-j \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q (1+a_k)(1)_{k,\lambda} \mathcal{E}_{i-j-k,q,\lambda}(x) \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{i-j} \left[ \begin{bmatrix} i-j \\ k \end{bmatrix}_q \mathcal{E}_{i-j-k,q,\lambda}(x) \right] \left[ \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix}_q \frac{(1+a_k)(1)_{k,\lambda}}{2} \right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{16}$$

Since the right-hand member of (16) is the  $(i, j)$ -th entry of matrix product  $\mathcal{E}_{q,\lambda}(x)\mathcal{T}_{q,\lambda}$ , we conclude that (15) holds. Notice that the matrix  $\mathcal{T}_{q,\lambda}$  is a lower triangular matrix with nonnull determinant and hence, it is a nonsingular matrix.  $\square$

Combining Theorems 3.5 and 3.6 gives the following connection formula.

**Corollary 3.7.** For any  $\lambda, x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$\mathcal{E}_{q,\lambda}(x) = \mathcal{B}_{q,\lambda}(x)\mathcal{H}_{q,\lambda}\mathcal{T}_{q,\lambda}^{-1}.$$

## 4 Conclusion

Diverse kinds of  $q$ -Pascal matrices can be used to construct certain representations of quantum groups. These representations are essential for understanding symmetries in quantum mechanics and quantum field theory in a non-commutative setting.

The aim of our research was to determine some novel properties of generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials and their matrices. Firstly, we focused our attention on some inversion-type formulae for the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomials and their matrices. Secondly, we introduced the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Pascal matrix of the first kind and provided factorizations for the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Bernoulli and  $q$ -Euler polynomial matrices in terms of the generalized degenerate  $q$ -Pascal matrix of the first kind.

Finally, it is noteworthy that under the suitable constraints of parameters associated with the generalized Apostol-type polynomial matrices given in [26], it is possible to provide a  $\lambda$ -degenerate deformation for some  $q$ -analogues of these matrices. The proof of this statement is not provided here; the interested reader is strongly encouraged to follow the above arguments to prove it.

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