

Harmonic close-to-convex mappings associated with Sălăgean q -differential operator

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Abstract. In this paper, we define a new subclass $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ of analytic functions and a new subclass $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ of harmonic functions $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}^0$ associated with Sălăgean q -differential operator. We prove that a harmonic function $f = h + \bar{g}$ belongs to the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ if and only if the analytic functions $h + \epsilon g$ belong to $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ for each ϵ ($|\epsilon| = 1$), and using a method by Clunie and Sheil-Small, we determine a sufficient condition for the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ to be close-to-convex. We provide sharp coefficient estimates, sufficient coefficient condition, and convolution properties for such functions classes. We also determine several conditions of partial sums of $f \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$.

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1. Introduction

Quantum calculus is the calculus without use of the limits. The history of quantum calculus dates back to the studies of Leonhard Euler (1707-1783) and Carl Gustav Jacobi (1804-1851). Later, geometrical interpretation of the q -calculus has been applied in studies of quantum groups. The great interest to quantum calculus is due to its applications in various branches of mathematics and physics; as for example, in quantum mechanics, analytic number theory, sobolev spaces, group representation theory, theta functions, gamma functions, operator theory and several other areas. For the definitions and properties of q -calculus, one may refer to the books [5] and

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[14]. Jackson [10, 11] was the first who gave some applications of q -calculus by introducing the q -analogues of derivative and integral. The q -derivative (or q -difference operator) of a function h , defined on a subset of $\mathbb{C}$, is given by

$$(D_q h)(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{h(z) - h(qz)}{(1-q)z}, & z \neq 0 \\ h'(0), & z = 0, \end{cases}$$

where $q \in (0, 1)$. Note that $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} (D_q h)(z) = h'(z)$ if h is differentiable at z ([10]).

For a function $h(z) = z^k$ ($k \in \mathbb{N}$), we observe that

$$D_q z^k = [k]_q z^{k-1},$$

where

$$[k]_q = \frac{1 - q^k}{1 - q} = 1 + q + q^2 + \dots + q^{k-1}$$

is the q -number of k . Clearly, $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1^-} [k]_q = k$. For more details, one may refer to [14] and references therein.

Connection of q -calculus with geometric function theory was first introduced by Ismail *et al.* [9]. Recently, q -calculus is involved in the theory of analytic functions [7, 8, 21]. But research on q -calculus in connection with harmonic functions is fairly new and not much published (see [12, 23, 22, 28]).

Let $\mathbb{D}_r = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < r\}$ denote an open disk with $r > 0$. The open unit disk will be denoted by $\mathbb{D}_1 = \mathbb{D}$. Let $\mathcal{H}$ denote the class of complex-valued functions $f = u + iv$ which are harmonic in the open unit disk $\mathbb{D}$, where u and v are real-valued harmonic functions in $\mathbb{D}$. Functions $f \in \mathcal{H}$ can also be expressed as $f = h + \bar{g}$, where h the analytic and g the co-analytic parts of f , respectively. A subclass of functions $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}$ with the additional condition $g'(0) = 0$ is denoted by $\mathcal{H}^0$. According to the Lewy's Theorem [15], every harmonic function $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}$ is locally univalent and sense preserving in $\mathbb{D}$ if and only if the Jacobian of f , given by $J_f(z) = |h'(z)|^2 - |g'(z)|^2$, is positive in $\mathbb{D}$. This case is equivalent to the existence of an analytic function $\omega(z) = g'(z)/h'(z)$ in $\mathbb{D}$, which is called as the dilatation of f such that

$$|\omega(z)| < 1 \quad \text{for all } z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Clunie and Sheil-Small [3] introduced the class of all univalent, sense preserving harmonic functions $f = h + \bar{g}$, denoted by $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}$, with the normalized conditions $h(0) = 0 = g(0)$ and $h'(0) = 1$. If the function $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}$, then

$$h(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad \text{and} \quad g(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k, \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}). \quad (1.1)$$

A subclass of functions $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}$ with the condition $g'(0) = 0$ is denoted by $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}^0$. Further, the subclass of functions f in $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}$ ($\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}^0$), denoted by $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{H}}$ ($\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{H}}^0$) consists of functions f that map the unit disk $\mathbb{D}$ onto a convex region, the subclass $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}^*$ ($\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}^{*0}$) consists of functions f that are starlike, and the subclass $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{H}}^*$ ($\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{H}}^{*0}$) consists of functions f which are close-to-convex. Also, if $g(z) \equiv 0$, the class $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}$ reduces to the class $\mathcal{S}$ of

univalent functions in the class $\mathcal{A}$. Here, $\mathcal{A}$ is the class of all analytic functions of the form $h(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k$. For more details, we refer [4].

Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$ and be given by $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$. Then the l^{th} section (partial sum) of f is defined by

$$s_l(f)(z) = \sum_{k=0}^l a_k z^k, \quad (l \in \mathbb{N})$$

where $a_0 = 0$ and $a_1 = 1$. For a harmonic function $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}$, where h and g of the form (1.1), the sequences of sections (partial sums) of f is defined by

$$s_{i,j}(f)(z) = s_i(h)(z) + \overline{s_j(g)(z)},$$

where $s_i(h)(z) = \sum_{k=1}^i a_k z^k$ and $s_j(g)(z) = \sum_{k=1}^j b_k z^k$, $i, j \geq 1$ with $a_1 = 1$.

In [32], it is noted that the partial sums of univalent functions is univalent in the disk $\mathbb{D}_{1/4}$. Starlikeness and convexity of the partial sums of univalent functions was discussed in [29, 30].

The convolution or Hadamard product of two analytic functions

$$f_1(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad \text{and} \quad f_2(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k$$

is defined by

$$(f_1 * f_2)(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k, \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}).$$

The convolution of two harmonic functions $f = h + \bar{g}$ and $F = H + \bar{G}$ is defined by

$$(f * F)(z) = (h * H)(z) + \overline{(g * G)(z)}, \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}).$$

In 2013, Li and Ponnusamy [16] investigated properties of functions given by

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}}^0 = \{f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}^0 : \Re(h'(z)) > |g'(z)|, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}\}$$

The class $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}}^0$ is harmonic analogue of the class $\mathcal{R} = \{f \in \mathcal{S} : \Re(f'(z)) > 0, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}\}$ introduced by MacGregor [20]. It is known that a harmonic function $f = h + \bar{g}$ belongs to the class $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}}^0$ if and only if the analytic function $h + \epsilon g$ belongs to $\mathcal{R}$ for each ϵ ($|\epsilon| = 1$).

In 1977, Chichra [2] studied the class $\mathcal{W}(\alpha)$ consisting of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\Re(f'(z) + \alpha z f''(z)) > 0$ for $\alpha \geq 0$ and $z \in \mathbb{D}$. Later, Nagpal and Ravichandran [24] studied the following class

$$\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0 = \{f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}^0 : \Re(h'(z) + z h''(z)) > |g'(z) + z g''(z)|, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}\},$$

which is harmonic analogue of $\mathcal{W}(1)$. Recently, Ghosh and Vasudevarao [6] defined the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(\alpha)$ for $\alpha \geq 0$ by

$$\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(\alpha) = \{f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}^0 : \Re(h'(z) + \alpha z h''(z)) > |g'(z) + \alpha z g''(z)|, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}\}.$$

In [2], Chichra also studied the class $\mathcal{G}(\alpha)$ of an analytic function f for $\alpha \geq 0$ such that

$$\Re \left[(1 - \alpha) \frac{f(z)}{z} + \alpha f'(z) \right] > 0$$

for $|z| < r$ with $r \in (0, 1]$. In 2018, Liu and Yang [19] defined the class

$$\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{H}}^k(\alpha) = \left\{ f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}^0 : \Re\left((1 - \alpha)\frac{h(z)}{z} + \alpha h'(z)\right) > \left|(1 - \alpha)\frac{g(z)}{z} + \alpha g'(z)\right| \right\},$$

where $\alpha \geq 0$, $k \geq 1$ and $|z| < r$ with $r \in (0, 1]$.

For an analytic function $h \in \mathcal{A}$, let the Sălăgean q -differential operator be defined by ([7]);

$$\mathcal{D}_q^0 h(z) = h(z), \quad \mathcal{D}_q^1 h(z) = z D_q h(z), \dots, \quad \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) = z D_q (\mathcal{D}_q^{n-1} h(z)),$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Making use of h given by (1.1), and simple calculations yield

$$\mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) = h(z) * \mathcal{F}_{q,n}(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n a_k z^k, \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}) \quad (1.2)$$

where

$$\mathcal{F}_{q,n}(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n z^k,$$

and $[k]_q^n = \left(\frac{1-q^k}{1-q}\right)^n$, $q \in (0, 1)$. The operator (1.2) easily reduces to the well-known Sălăgean differential operator as $q \rightarrow 1^-$ (see [27]).

For a harmonic function $f = h + \bar{g}$ given by (1.1) and the operator $\mathcal{D}_q^n$ defined by (1.2), the harmonic Sălăgean q -differential operator is defined by ([12]);

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_q^n f(z) &= \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + (-1)^n \overline{\mathcal{D}_q^n g(z)} \\ &= z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n a_k z^k + (-1)^n \overline{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [k]_q^n b_k z^k}. \end{aligned}$$

As $q \rightarrow 1^-$, the operator $\mathcal{D}_q^n f$ reduces to the Sălăgean differential operator $\mathcal{D}^n f$ for a harmonic function $f = h + \bar{g}$ ([13]).

Motivated by the Sălăgean q -differential operator, we define a new subclass $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ of analytic functions as follows:

Definition 1.1. An analytic function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is in the class $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ if it satisfies the condition

$$\Re\left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n f(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} f(z)}{z}\right) > 0, \quad (1.3)$$

where $\mathcal{D}_q^n f(z)$ is the Sălăgean q -differential operator defined by (1.2), and where $\alpha \geq 0$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $q \in (0, 1)$ and $|z| < r$ with $0 < r \leq 1$.

Remark 1.2. i) Letting $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 0$ we get the class $\mathcal{W}(0, \alpha, q) := \mathcal{G}(\alpha)$ introduced by Chichra [2].

ii) Letting $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 1$ we get the class $\mathcal{W}(1, \alpha, q) := \mathcal{W}(\alpha)$ introduced by Chichra [2].

iii) Letting $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 1$, $\alpha = 0$ we get the class $\mathcal{W}(1, 0, q) := \mathcal{R}$ introduced by MacGregor [20].

Making use of the harmonic Sălăgean q -differential operator, we also define the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ of harmonic functions as follows:

Definition 1.3. A harmonic function $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}^0$ with $h(0) = g(0) = g'(0) = h'(0) - 1 = 0$ is in the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ if it satisfies the condition

$$\Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(z)}{z}\right) > \left|\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z)}{z}\right|, \quad (1.4)$$

where $\mathcal{D}_q^n f(z)$ is the harmonic Sălăgean q -differential operator, and where $\alpha \geq 0$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $q \in (0, 1)$ and $|z| < r$ with $0 < r \leq 1$.

Remark 1.4. i) Letting $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 0$ we get the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(0, \alpha, q) := \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{H}}^1(\alpha)$ introduced by Liu and Yang [19].

ii) Letting $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 1$ we get the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(1, \alpha, q) := \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(\alpha)$ introduced by Ghosh and Vasudevarao [6].

iii) Letting $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 1$, $\alpha = 1$ we get the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(1, 1, q) := \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0$ introduced by Nagpal and Ravichandran in [24].

iv) Letting $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 1$, $\alpha = 0$ we get the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(1, 0, q) := \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}}^0$ introduced by Li and Ponnusamy [16].

In this paper, we define a new subclass $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ of analytic functions and a new subclass $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ of harmonic functions $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}^0$ associated with Sălăgean q -differential operator. In Section 2, we prove that a harmonic function $f \in \mathcal{H}^0$ belongs to the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ if and only if the analytic functions $h + \epsilon g$ belong to $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ for each ϵ with $|\epsilon| = 1$, and by a method of Clunie and Sheil-Small, we obtain a sufficient condition for the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ to be close-to-convex. We also provide sharp coefficient estimates and sufficient coefficient condition for such functions classes. In Section 3, we examine that the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ is closed under convex combinations and convolutions of its members. In Section 4, we determine several conditions of partial sums of $f \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$.

2. Coefficient bounds

Clunie and Sheil-Small proved the following result, which gives a sufficient condition for a harmonic function f to be close-to-convex.

Lemma 2.1. [3] *If h and g are analytic in $\mathbb{D}$ satisfies $|g'(0)| < |h'(0)|$ and the function $f_{\epsilon} = h + \epsilon g$ is close-to-convex for all complex number ϵ with $|\epsilon| = 1$, then $f = h + \bar{g}$ is close-to-convex..*

Theorem 2.2. *A harmonic mapping $f = h + \bar{g}$ is in $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ if and only if the analytic function $f_{\epsilon} = h + \epsilon g$ belongs to $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ for each complex number ϵ with $|\epsilon| = 1$.*

Proof. If $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$, then for each complex number ϵ with $|\epsilon| = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n f_\epsilon(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} f_\epsilon(z)}{z} \right) \\ &= \Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n (h(z) + \epsilon g(z)) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} (h(z) + \epsilon g(z))}{z} \right) \\ &= \Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(z) + \epsilon ((1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z))}{z} \right) \\ &> \Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(z)}{z} \right) - \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z)}{z} \right| > 0, \end{aligned}$$

thus $f_\epsilon = h + \epsilon g \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ for each ϵ with $|\epsilon| = 1$.

Conversely, if $f_\epsilon = h + \epsilon g \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$, then

$$\Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(z) + \epsilon ((1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z))}{z} \right) > 0, \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}_r)$$

or equivalently

$$\Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(z)}{z} \right) > -\Re \left(\frac{\epsilon ((1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z))}{z} \right), \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}_r).$$

Since $|\epsilon| = 1$ is arbitrary, for an appropriate choice of ϵ we obtain

$$\Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(z)}{z} \right) > \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z)}{z} \right|, \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}_r)$$

Hence, $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$. $\square$

Theorem 2.3. *The functions in the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ are close-to-convex in $\mathbb{D}$.*

Proof. Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$, and let $f_\epsilon = h + \epsilon g \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ where $|\epsilon| = 1$. By the method used by Ponnusammy *et al.* [25, Theorem 1.3], if $f_\epsilon \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$, then q -derivative of f_ϵ is positive; that is, $\Re\{\mathcal{D}_q^n f_\epsilon\} > 0$, and hence f_ϵ is analytic and close-to-convex function. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \Re\{\mathcal{D}_q^n f_\epsilon\} = \\ & \Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(z) + \epsilon ((1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z))}{z} \right) \\ & > \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z)}{z} \right| + \Re \left(\frac{\epsilon ((1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z))}{z} \right) \\ & \geq \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z)}{z} \right| - \left| \frac{\epsilon ((1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z))}{z} \right| = 0, \end{aligned}$$

showing that f_ϵ is analytic and close-to-convex function. Thus according to Lemma 2.1 and Theorem 2.2, it follows that the harmonic function $f \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ is also close-to-convex in $\mathbb{D}$. $\square$

We now establish the sharp coefficient bounds for functions in the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$.

Theorem 2.4. Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ be of the form (1.1) with $b_1 = 0$. Then for any $k \geq 2$

$$|b_k| \leq \frac{1}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))}. \quad (2.1)$$

The result is sharp when f is given by $f(z) = z + \frac{1}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))} \bar{z}^k$.

Proof. Let $f \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$. Then

$$\Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(z)}{z} \right) > \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z)}{z} \right|$$

and

$$\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z)}{z} = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) b_k z^{k-1}.$$

Using the series expansion of g , we derive

$$\begin{aligned} r^{k-1} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) |b_k| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(re^{i\theta}) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(re^{i\theta})}{re^{i\theta}} \right| d\theta \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n h(re^{i\theta}) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(re^{i\theta})}{re^{i\theta}} \right) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \Re \left(1 + [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) a_k r^{k-1} \right) d\theta \\ &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

Letting $r \rightarrow 1^-$ gives the desired bound. $\square$

Remark 2.5. (i) When $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 0$ we get the result by Liu and Yang [19, Corollary 3.2].

(ii) When $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 1$ we get the result by Ghosh and Vasudevarao [6, Theorem 4.2].

Theorem 2.6. Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ be of the form (1.1) with $b_1 = 0$. Then for any $k \geq 2$

- (i) $|a_k| + |b_k| \leq \frac{2}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))}$
- (ii) $||a_k| - |b_k|| \leq \frac{2}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))}$
- (iii) $|a_k| \leq \frac{2}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))}$

The results are sharp and the equality is held for the function

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{2}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))} z^k.$$

Proof. Suppose that $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$, then from Theorem 2.2 $f_\epsilon = h + \epsilon g \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ for ϵ with $|\epsilon| = 1$. Thus for any $|\epsilon| = 1$, we have

$$\Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n (h(z) + \epsilon g(z)) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} (h(z) + \epsilon g(z))}{z} \right) > 0, \quad |z| < r.$$

Then there exists an analytic function p of the form $p(z) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k z^k$ with $\Re(p(z)) > 0$ in $\mathbb{D}$ such that

$$\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n(h(z) + \epsilon g(z)) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(h(z) + \epsilon g(z))}{z} = p(z). \quad (2.2)$$

Comparing coefficients on both sides of (2.2), we have

$$[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))(a_k + \epsilon b_k) = p_{k-1}, \quad k \geq 2. \quad (2.3)$$

Since $|p_k| \leq 2$ for $k \geq 1$ and ϵ ($|\epsilon| = 1$) is arbitrary, from (2.3) we get

$$[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))(|a_k| + |b_k|) \leq 2,$$

which proves (i). The last two inequalities are consequences of the first inequality. $\square$

Remark 2.7. (i) When $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 0$ we get the result by Liu and Yang [19, Corollary 3.4].

(ii) When $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 1$ we get the result by Ghosh and Vasudevarao [6, Theorem 4.3].

The following result gives a sufficient condition for a function to belong to $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$.

Theorem 2.8. Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}^0$ be of the form (1.1) with $b_1 = 0$. If

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))(|a_k| + |b_k|) \leq 1, \quad (2.4)$$

then $f \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$.

Proof. Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{H}^0$. Using the series representation of h given by (1.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Re\left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} h(z)}{z}\right) &= \Re\left(1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) a_k z^{k-1}\right) \\ &> 1 - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) |a_k| \\ &\geq \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) |b_k| \\ &> \left| \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) b_k z^{k-1} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} g(z)}{z} \right|, \end{aligned}$$

therefore $f \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$. $\square$

Remark 2.9. When $q \rightarrow 1^-$, $n = 1$ we get the result by Ghosh and Vasudevarao [6, Theorem 4.5].

3. Convex combinations and convolutions

In this section, we prove that the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ is closed under convex combinations and convolutions of its members.

Theorem 3.1. *The class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ is closed under convex combinations.*

Proof. Suppose $\mathcal{D}_q^n f_i = \mathcal{D}_q^n h_i + (-1)^n \overline{\mathcal{D}_q^n g_i} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ and $\sum_{i=1}^k t_i = 1$ ($0 \leq t_i \leq 1$). The convex combination of functions $\mathcal{D}_q^n f_i$ can be written as

$$\mathcal{D}_q^n f(z) = \sum_{i=1}^k t_i \mathcal{D}_q^n f_i(z) = \mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + (-1)^n \overline{\mathcal{D}_q^n g(z)}$$

where $\mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) = \sum_{i=1}^k t_i \mathcal{D}_q^n h_i(z)$ and $\mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) = \sum_{i=1}^k t_i \mathcal{D}_q^n g_i(z)$. Then h and g both are analytic in $\mathbb{D}$ with $h(0) = g(0) = h'(0) - 1 = g'(0) = 0$. A simple computation yields

$$\begin{aligned} \Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n h(z) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}h(z)}{z}\right) &= \Re\left(\sum_{i=1}^k t_i \frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n h_i(z) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}h_i(z)}{z}\right) \\ &> \left|\sum_{i=1}^k t_i \frac{(-1)^n(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n g_i(z) + (-1)^{n+1}\alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}g_i(z)}{z}\right| \\ &\geq \left|\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n g(z) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}g(z)}{z}\right|. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $f \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ □

A sequence $\{c_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ of non-negative real numbers is said to be a convex null sequence if $c_k \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, and

$$c_0 - c_1 \geq c_1 - c_2 \geq c_2 - c_3 \geq \dots \geq c_{k-1} - c_k \geq \dots \geq 0.$$

To prove the convolution results, we need the following lemmas.

Lemma 3.2. [31] *Let $\{c_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ be a convex null sequence. Then the function*

$$s(z) = \frac{c_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k z^k$$

is analytic, and $\Re(s(z)) > 0$ in $\mathbb{D}$.

Lemma 3.3. [31] *Let the function p be analytic in $\mathbb{D}$ with $p(0) = 1$ and $\Re(p(z)) > 1/2$ in $\mathbb{D}$. Then for any analytic function F in $\mathbb{D}$, the function $p * F$ takes values in the convex hull of the image of $\mathbb{D}$ under F .*

Using Lemmas 3.2 and 3.3, we prove the following lemma.

Lemma 3.4. *Let $F \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$, then $\Re\left(\frac{F(z)}{z}\right) > \frac{1}{2}$.*

Proof. Suppose $F \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ be given by $F(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} A_k z^k$, then

$$\Re \left(1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) A_k z^{k-1} \right) > 0,$$

which is equivalent to $\Re(p(z)) > 1/2$ in $\mathbb{D}$, where

$$p(z) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) A_k z^{k-1}.$$

Now consider a sequence $\{c_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ defined by

$$c_0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad c_{k-1} = \frac{2}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))} \quad \text{for } k \geq 2.$$

It can be easily seen that the sequence $\{c_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ is convex null sequence and using Lemma 3.2, the function

$$s(z) = 1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{2}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))} z^{k-1}$$

is analytic with $\Re(s(z)) > \frac{1}{2}$ in $\mathbb{D}$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F(z)}{z} &= p(z) * \left(1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{2}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))} z^{k-1} \right) \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) A_k z^{k-1} \right) * \left(1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{2}{[k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1))} z^{k-1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

and making use of Lemma 3.3 we observe that $\Re\left(\frac{F(z)}{z}\right) > \frac{1}{2}$ for $z \in \mathbb{D}$. $\square$

Lemma 3.5. *Let F_1 and F_2 belong to $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$. Then $F = F_1 * F_2 \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$.*

Proof. Let $F_1(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} A_k z^k$ and $F_2(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} B_k z^k$. Then the convolution of F_1 and F_2 is given by

$$F(z) = (F_1 * F_2)(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} A_k B_k z^k.$$

To prove that $F \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$, we have to show that

$$\Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n F(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} F(z)}{z} \right) > 0,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\Re \left(1 + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) A_k B_k z^{k-1} \right) > 0$$

or

$$\Re \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) A_k B_k z^{k-1} \right) > \frac{1}{2}. \quad (3.1)$$

Since $F_1 \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ we have

$$\Re \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) A_k z^{k-1} \right) > \frac{1}{2}$$

and by Lemma 3.4, $F_2 \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ implies $\Re \left(\frac{F_2(z)}{z} \right) > \frac{1}{2}$ in $\mathbb{D}$ or

$$\Re \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) B_k z^{k-1} \right) > \frac{1}{2}.$$

By applying Lemma 3.3, we conclude we have (3.1). Hence, $F = F_1 * F_2 \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$. $\square$

Now using Lemma 3.5, we prove that the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ is closed under convolutions of its members.

Theorem 3.6. *If f_1 and f_2 belong to $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$, then $f_1 * f_2 \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$.*

Proof. Let $f_1 = h_1 + \bar{g}_1$ and $f_2 = h_2 + \bar{g}_2$ be two functions in $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$. Then the convolution of f_1 and f_2 is defined as $f_1 * f_2 = h_1 * h_2 + \overline{g_1 * g_2}$. In order to prove that $f_1 * f_2 \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$, we need to prove that $F = h_1 * h_2 + \epsilon(g_1 * g_2) \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ for each ϵ ($|\epsilon| = 1$). By Lemma 3.5, the class $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ is closed under convolutions for each ϵ ($|\epsilon| = 1$), $h_i + \epsilon g_i \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ for $i = 1, 2$. Then both F_1 and F_2 given by

$$F_1 = (h_1 - g_1) * (h_2 - \epsilon g_2)$$

and

$$F_2 = (h_1 + g_1) * (h_2 + \epsilon g_2)$$

belong to $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$. Since $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ is closed under convex combinations, then the function

$$F = \frac{1}{2}(F_1 + F_2) = h_1 * h_2 + \epsilon(g_1 * g_2)$$

belongs to $\mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$. Thus $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ is closed under convolution. $\square$

4. Partial sums

In this section, we examine sections (partial sums) of functions in the class $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$.

Theorem 4.1. *Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ with $\alpha \geq 0$. Then for each ϵ ($|\epsilon| = 1$) and $|z| < 1/2$, we have*

$$\Re \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_3(g)) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_3(g))}{z} \right) > \frac{1}{4}.$$

Proof. Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$. Then by Theorem 2.2, $h + \epsilon g \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ for ϵ ($|\epsilon| = 1$), so $\Re f_{\epsilon}(z) > 0$, where

$$f_{\epsilon}(z) = \frac{(1 - \alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n(h(z) + \epsilon g(z)) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(h(z) + \epsilon g(z))}{z} = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k z^k.$$

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_3(g)) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_3(g))}{z} \\
&= 1 + [2]_q^n(1 + \alpha([2]_q - 1)(a_2 + \epsilon b_2)z + [3]_q^n(1 + \alpha([3]_q - 1)(a_3 + \epsilon b_3)z^2 \\
&= 1 + p_1z + p_2z^2.
\end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that

$$|2p_2 - p_1^2| \leq 4 - |p_1|^2$$

Let $2p_2 - p_1^2 = p$. Then $p_2 = p/2 + p_1^2/2$ and $|p| \leq 4 - |p_1|^2$. Also, let $p_1z = \gamma + i\beta$ and $\sqrt{p}z = \eta + i\delta$ where $\beta, \gamma, \delta, \eta$ are real numbers. Then for $|z| < 1/2$

$$\gamma^2 + \beta^2 = |p_1|^2|z|^2 \leq \frac{|p_1|^2}{4}$$

and

$$\delta^2 = |p||z|^2 - \eta^2 \leq \frac{|p|}{4} - \eta^2 \leq \frac{4 - |p_1|^2}{4} - \eta^2 \leq 1 - (\gamma^2 + \beta^2) - \eta^2$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_3(g)) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_3(g))}{z}\right) \\
&= \Re(1 + p_1z + p_2z^2) \\
&= \Re(1 + p_1z + \frac{p}{2}z^2 + \frac{p_1^2}{2}z^2) \\
&= 1 + \gamma + \left(\frac{\eta^2}{2} - \frac{\delta^2}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{\gamma^2}{2} - \frac{\beta^2}{2}\right) \\
&= 1 + \gamma + \frac{\eta^2}{2} - \frac{1 - \gamma^2 - \beta^2 - \eta^2}{2} + \frac{\gamma^2}{2} - \frac{\beta^2}{2} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} + \left(\gamma + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \eta^2 \geq \frac{1}{4},
\end{aligned}$$

which gives the result. □

Theorem 4.2. Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$, where h and g given by (1.1) with $b_1 = 0$. Then for each $j \geq 2$, $s_{1,j}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ for $|z| < 1/2$.

Proof. Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$. It is clear that

$$s_{1,j}(f)(z) = s_1(h)(z) + \overline{s_j(g)(z)} = z + \sum_{k=2}^j \overline{b_k z^k}$$

It follows from Theorem 2.4 that for all $|z| < 1/2$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{(1-\alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n s_j(g)(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} s_j(g)(z)}{z} \right| \\
&= \left| \sum_{k=2}^j [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) b_k z^{k-1} \right| \\
&\leq \sum_{k=2}^j [k]_q^n (1 + \alpha([k]_q - 1)) |b_k| |z|^{k-1} \\
&\leq \sum_{k=2}^j |z|^{k-1} = \frac{|z|(1 - |z|^{j-1})}{1 - |z|} < \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|} \\
&< 1 = \Re \left(\frac{(1-\alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n s_1(h)(z) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} s_1(h)(z)}{z} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

This implies that $s_{1,j}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ in $|z| < 1/2$. $\square$

Theorem 4.3. Let $f = h + \bar{g} \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$, where h and g given by (1.1) with $b_1 = 0$, and let i and j satisfy of the following conditions:

- (i) $3 \leq i < j$,
- (ii) $i = j \geq 2$,
- (iii) $i = 3$ and $j = 2$.

Then $s_{i,j}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ in $|z| < 1/2$.

Proof. Let $\vartheta_i(h)(z) = \sum_{k=i+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$ and $\vartheta_j(g)(z) = \sum_{k=j+1}^{\infty} b_k z^k$. Then

$$h = s_i(h) + \vartheta_i(h) \quad \text{and} \quad g = s_j(g) + \vartheta_j(g).$$

To prove $s_{i,j}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$, it suffices to prove that $s_i(h) + \epsilon s_j(g) \in \mathcal{W}(n, \alpha, q)$ for ϵ ($|\epsilon| = 1$). If $f \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Re \left(\frac{(1-\alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n (s_i(h) + \epsilon s_j(g)) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} (s_i(h) + \epsilon s_j(g))}{z} \right) \\
&= \Re \left(\frac{(1-\alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n (h + \epsilon g) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} (h + \epsilon g)}{z} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{(1-\alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n (\vartheta_i(h) + \epsilon \vartheta_j(g)) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} (\vartheta_i(h) + \epsilon \vartheta_j(g))}{z} \right) \\
&\geq \Re \left(\frac{(1-\alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n (h + \epsilon g) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} (h + \epsilon g)}{z} \right) \\
&\quad - \left| \frac{(1-\alpha) \mathcal{D}_q^n (\vartheta_i(h) + \epsilon \vartheta_j(g)) + \alpha \mathcal{D}_q^{n+1} (\vartheta_i(h) + \epsilon \vartheta_j(g))}{z} \right|. \tag{4.1}
\end{aligned}$$

By assumption, we see that

$$\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(h+\epsilon g)+\alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(h+\epsilon g)}{z} \prec \frac{1+z}{1-z},$$

where $\prec$ is the subordination symbol. From the last relation, we conclude that

$$\Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(h+\epsilon g)+\alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(h+\epsilon g)}{z}\right) \geq \frac{1-|z|}{1+|z|}. \quad (4.2)$$

Case (i): $3 \leq i < j$

Applying Theorems 2.4 and 2.6, we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(\vartheta_i(h)+\epsilon\vartheta_j(g))+\alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(\vartheta_i(h)+\epsilon\vartheta_j(g))}{z} \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{k=i+1}^j [k]_q^n (1+\alpha([k]_q-1))a_k z^{k-1} + \sum_{k=j+1}^{\infty} [k]_q^n (1+\alpha([k]_q-1))(a_k+\epsilon b_k)z^{k-1} \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=i+1}^j 2|z|^{k-1} + \sum_{k=j+1}^{\infty} 2|z|^{k-1} = 2\frac{|z|^i}{1-|z|} \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

Using (4.1), (4.2) and (4.3), we obtain

$$\Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_i(h)+\epsilon s_j(g))+\alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_i(h)+\epsilon s_j(g))}{z}\right) \geq \frac{1-|z|}{1+|z|} - 2\frac{|z|^i}{1-|z|}. \quad (4.4)$$

For $4 \leq i < j$ and $|z| = 1/2$, the inequality (4.4) gives

$$\Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_i(h)+\epsilon s_j(g))+\alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_i(h)+\epsilon s_j(g))}{z}\right) \geq \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} > 0.$$

Since $\Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_i(h)+\epsilon s_j(g))+\alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_i(h)+\epsilon s_j(g))}{z}\right)$ is harmonic, it assumes its minimum value on the circle $|z| = 1/2$. Hence, if $4 \leq i < j$ then $s_{i,j}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ in $|z| < 1/2$.

If $i = 3 < j$, then in view of Theorem 2.4 and Theorem 4.1, we attain

$$\begin{aligned} & \Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_3(h)+\epsilon s_j(g))+\alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_3(h)+\epsilon s_j(g))}{z}\right) \\ &= \Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_3(h)+\epsilon s_3(g))+\alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_3(h)+\epsilon s_3(g))}{z}\right. \\ & \quad \left. + \epsilon \sum_{k=4}^j [k]_q^n (1+\alpha([k]_q-1))b_k z^{k-1}\right) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{4} - \sum_{k=4}^j [k]_q^n (1+\alpha([k]_q-1))|b_k z^{k-1}| \\ &\geq \frac{1}{4} - \frac{|z|^3}{1-|z|} \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_j(g)) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_j(g))}{z}\right) > 0$$

for $|z| < 1/2$, and thus $s_{3,j}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ in $|z| < 1/2$.

Case (ii): $i = j \geq 2$

If $i = j \geq 4$, then the inequality (4.4) gives $s_{i,j}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ in $|z| < 1/2$. For $i = j = 2$, $s_{2,2}(f)(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \overline{b_2} z^2$. Using Theorem 2.6, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \Re(1 + [2]_q^n(1 + \alpha([2]_q - 1))(a_2 + \epsilon b_2)z) \\ & \geq 1 - [2]_q^n(1 + \alpha([2]_q - 1))|a_2 + \epsilon b_2||z| \\ & \geq 1 - 2|z| > 0 \end{aligned}$$

in $|z| < 1/2$.

If $i = j = 3$, then Theorem 4.1 shows that $s_{3,3}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ in $|z| < 1/2$. Therefore, we prove that for $i = j \geq 2$, $s_{i,j}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ in $|z| < 1/2$.

Case (iii): $i = 3$ and $j = 2$.

In view of Theorems 2.4 and 4.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_2(g)) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_2(g))}{z}\right) \\ &= \Re\left(\frac{(1-\alpha)\mathcal{D}_q^n(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_3(g)) + \alpha\mathcal{D}_q^{n+1}(s_3(h) + \epsilon s_3(g))}{z} - \epsilon[3]_q^n(1 + \alpha([3]_q - 1))b_3 z^2\right) \\ & \geq \frac{1}{4} - |z|^2 = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2^2} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for $|z| < 1/2$. Thus $s_{3,2}(f) \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{H}}^0(n, \alpha, q)$ in $|z| < 1/2$. □

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