

Quantum Integral Inequalities via φ -Convex Functions

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Abstract: In this paper, we consider the class of φ -convex functions, which was introduced and investigated by Noor [12] in 2006. We derive some quantum Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for the φ -convex functions. Some special cases are discussed, which can be obtained from our results. The ideas and techniques of this paper may motivate further research in this field. It is expected that the readers may find the applications of the φ -convex functions and quantum integral inequalities in various fields of pure and applied sciences.

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Convexity theory has played an important and fundamental role in the developments of different fields of pure and applied sciences. In recent years, it received considerable attention. Several new generalizations and extensions of classical convexity have been introduced and investigated. For example see [1, 2, 9, 11, 12, 13, ?, 15, 14, 17, 19, 24, ?]. A significant generalization of classical convex functions is called φ -convex functions which was introduced by Noor [12]. Noor has shown that the optimality conditions of the differentiable φ -convex functions can be characterized by variational inequalities. Noor [12] investigated some basic properties of φ -convex functions and showed that φ -convex functions are nonconvex functions. Noor [13] established some Hermite-Hadamard type results for φ -convex functions.

An other importance of theory of convexity is its close relationship with theory of inequalities. A wide class of inequalities have been derived via convex functions, see [2, 3, 4, 7, 11, 13, ?, 14, 16, 17, 19, 22, 23, 24]. In past few years, several authors have used the concepts of quantum calculus to obtain integral inequalities for different classes of convex functions, see [6, 18, 20, 21, 25, 27].

In this chapter, we again consider the class of φ -convex functions. We obtain some new Hermite-Hadamard like inequalities for φ -convex functions using quantum calculus. These quantum Hermite-Hadamard inequalities and their variant forms are useful for quantum physics where lower and upper bounds of natural phenomena described by integrals are frequently required. In passing,

we would like to point out that study of the quantum calculus was initiated by Euler (1707-1783). He introduced the q in tracks of Newton infinite series. In quantum calculus, we obtain the q -analogues of mathematical objects which can be recaptured as $q \rightarrow 1$. In fact, quantum calculus has emerge as fascinating and dynamic field. We also discuss some special cases which can be deduced from the main results. This is the main motivation of this chapter. The interested readers are encouraged to find the applications of quantum calculus and φ -convexity in other fields of pure and applied sciences.

1 Preliminaries of quantum calculus

In this section, we discuss some basic concepts and results pertaining to quantum calculus. For more details interested readers may consult [5, 10].

Let us start with q -analogue of differentiation. For that matter, consider

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{f(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = \frac{df}{dx},$$

the above expression gives the derivative of a function $f(x)$ at $x = x_0$.

If we take $x = qx_0$ where $0 < q < 1$ is a fixed number and do not take limits, then we enter in the world of Quantum

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calculus. The q -derivative of x^n is $[n]x^{n-1}$, where

$$[n] = \frac{q^n - 1}{q - 1},$$

is the q -analogue of n in the sense that n is the limit of $[n]$ as $q \rightarrow 1$.

Now we give the formal definition of q -derivative of a function f .

Definition 1. The q -derivative is defined as

$$D_q f(x) = \frac{f(qx) - f(x)}{(q-1)x}. \quad (1)$$

Note that when $q \rightarrow 1$, then we have ordinary derivative.

Now we move to words q -antiderivatives of a function.

Definition 2. The function $F(x)$ is a q -antiderivative of $f(x)$ if $D_q F(x) = f(x)$. It is denoted by

$$\int f(x) d_q x. \quad (2)$$

Our next definition is due to Jackson.

Definition 3. The Jackson integral of $f(x)$ is defined as

$$\int f(x) d_q x = (1-q)x \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^j f(q^j x). \quad (3)$$

It is evident from above definition, that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int f(x) D_q g(x) d_q x \\ &= (1-q)x \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^j f(q^j x) D_q g(q^j x) \\ &= (1-q)x \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^j f(q^j x) \frac{g(q^j x) - g(q^{j+1} x)}{(1-q)q^j x}. \end{aligned}$$

Definite q -integrals are defined as:

Definition 4([8]). Let $0 < a < b$. The definite q -integral is defined as

$$\int_a^b f(x) d_q x = (1-q)b \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q^j f(q^j b), \quad (4)$$

provided the sum converge absolutely.

A more general formula for definite integrals is given as

$$\int_a^b f(x) d_q x = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f(q^j b) (g(q^j b) - g(q^{j+1} b)).$$

Remark. From above definition of definite q -integral in a generic interval $[a, b]$ is given by

$$\int_a^b f(x) d_q x = \int_0^b f(x) d_q x - \int_0^a f(x) d_q x.$$

We now recall some basic concepts of quantum calculus on finite intervals. These results are mainly due to Tariboon et al. [26, 27].

Let $J = [a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be an interval and $0 < q < 1$ be a constant. The q -derivative of a function $f : J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ at a point $x \in J$ on $[a, b]$ is defined as follows.

Definition 5. Let $f : J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function and let $x \in J$. Then q -derivative of f on J at x is defined as

$$\mathcal{D}_q f(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(qx + (1-q)a)}{(1-q)(x-a)}, \quad x \neq a. \quad (5)$$

A function f is q -differentiable on J if $\mathcal{D}_q f(x)$ exists for all $x \in J$.

Example 1. Let $x \in [a, b]$ and $0 < q < 1$. Then, for $x \neq a$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_q x^2 &= \frac{x^2 - (qx + (1-q)a)^2}{(1-q)(x-a)} \\ &= \frac{(1+q)x^2 - 2qax - (1-q)x^2}{x-a} \\ &= (1+q)x + (1-q)a. \end{aligned}$$

Note that when $x = a$, we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (\mathcal{D}_q x^2) = 2a$.

Definition 6. Let $f : J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous function. A second-order q -derivative on J , which is denoted as $\mathcal{D}_q^2 f$, provided $\mathcal{D}_q f$ is q -differentiable on J is defined as $\mathcal{D}_q^2 f = \mathcal{D}_q(\mathcal{D}_q f) : J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Similarly higher order q -derivative on J is defined by $\mathcal{D}_q^n f : J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Lemma 1. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\mathcal{D}_q (x-a)^\alpha = \left(\frac{1-q^\alpha}{1-q} \right) (x-a)^{\alpha-1}.$$

Tariboon et al. [26, 27] defined the q -integral as:

Definition 7. Let $f : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function. Then q -integral on I is defined as

$$\int_a^x f(t) d_q t = (1-q)(x-a) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^n f(q^n x + (1-q^n)a), \quad (6)$$

for $x \in J$.

These integrals can be viewed as Riemann-type q -integral. If $a = 0$ in (6), then we have the classical q -integral, that is

$$\int_0^x f(t) d_q t = (1-q)x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^n f(q^n x), \quad x \in [0, \infty).$$

Moreover, if $c \in (a, x)$, then the definite q -integral on J is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \int_c^x f(t) d_q t &= \int_a^x f(t) d_q t - \int_a^c f(t) d_q t \\ &= (1-q)(x-a) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^n f(q^n x + (1-q^n)a) \\ &\quad - (1-q)(c-a) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^n f(q^n c + (1-q^n)a). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1. Let $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function, then

1. $\int_a^x \mathcal{D}_q f(t) d_q t = f(x)$
2. $\int_c^x \mathcal{D}_q f(t) d_q t = f(x) - f(c)$ for $x \in (c, x)$.

Theorem 2. Let $f, g : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous functions, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, then $x \in J$

1. $\int_a^x [f(t) + g(t)] d_q t = \int_a^x f(t) d_q t + \int_a^x g(t) d_q t$
2. $\int_a^x (\alpha f(t)) d_q t = \alpha \int_a^x f(t) d_q t$
- 3.

$$\int_a^x f(t) {}_a\mathcal{D}_q g(t) d_q t = (fg)|_c^x - \int_c^x g(qt + (1-q)a) \mathcal{D}_q f(t) d_q t$$

for $c \in (a, x)$.

Lemma 2. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\}$, then

$$\int_a^x (t-a)^\alpha d_q t = \left(\frac{1-q}{1-q^{\alpha+1}} \right) (x-a)^{\alpha+1}.$$

2 φ -convexity

In this section, we recall the concept of φ -convex sets and φ -convex functions respectively.

Definition 8([12]). Let $K_\varphi \subset H$ be a set. Then the set K_φ is said to be φ -convex, if

$$u + te^{i\varphi}(v-u) \in K_\varphi, \quad \forall u, v \in K_\varphi, t \in [0, 1].$$

We would like to point out that the definition of the φ -convex set has a clear geometric interpretation. This definition says that there is a path starting from a point u which is contained in K_φ . We do not required that the point v should be one of the end point of the path. This observation plays crucial part in our studies. If we demand that v should be an end point of the path, then obviously, $u + e^{i\varphi}(v-u) = v$. This implies that $\varphi = 0$. Consequently, φ -convex set reduces to the convex set. That is,

$$u + t(v-u) \in K, \quad \forall u, v \in K, t \in [0, 1].$$

Definition 9([12]). A function $f : K_\varphi \rightarrow H$ is said to be φ -convex with respect to φ , if

$$f(u + te^{i\varphi}(v-u)) \leq (1-t)f(u) + tf(v), \quad \forall u, v \in K_\varphi, t \in [0, 1].$$

Note that if $\varphi = 0$ in the above definition, then, we have definition of classical convex functions.

Definition 10([12]). A function $f : K_\varphi \rightarrow H$ is said to be quasi φ -convex with respect to φ , if

$$f(u + te^{i\varphi}(v-u)) \leq \max\{f(u), f(v)\}, \quad \forall u, v \in K_\varphi, t \in [0, 1].$$

For the applications and other properties of the φ -convex sets and φ -convex functions, see [12].

3 Main Results

We are now ready to prove our main results. For simplicity of the notations, we take $I_\varphi = [a, a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)]$ be the interval and I_φ^0 be the interior of I_φ .

Theorem 3(Hermite-Hadamard type inequality). Let $f : I_\varphi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable φ -convex function with respect to φ , if

$$f\left(\frac{2a + e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} \int_a^{a+e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} f(x) d_q x \leq \frac{qf(a) + f(b)}{2}. \tag{7}$$

Proof. Let f be a φ -convex function, then

$$f\left(\frac{2a + e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2} [f(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) + f(a + (1-t)e^{i\varphi}(b-a))].$$

q -integrating above inequality with respect to t on $[0, 1]$, we have

$$f\left(\frac{2a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} \int_a^{a+e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} f(x) d_q x. \tag{8}$$

Since f is φ -convex function, then, $\forall t \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$f(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) \leq (1-t)f(a) + tf(b).$$

q -integrating above inequality with respect to t on $[0, 1]$, we have

$$\frac{1}{e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} \int_a^{a+e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} f(x) d_q x \leq \frac{qf(a) + f(b)}{2}. \tag{9}$$

Combining (8) and (9) completes the proof. \square

Remark. If $q \rightarrow 1$, then, Theorem 3 reduces to Theorem 2.1 [13]. If $q \rightarrow 1$ and $\varphi = 0$, then, Theorem 3 reduces to classical Hermite-Hadamard inequality.

Theorem 4. Let $f, g : I_\varphi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable and φ -convex functions, then, for $0 < q < 1$, we have

$$2f\left(\frac{2a + e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right)g\left(\frac{2a + e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2}[K_1M(a,b) + K_2N(a,b)] \leq \frac{1}{e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} \int_a^{a+e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} f(x)g(x) d_q x,$$

where

$$K_1 = \frac{q^2}{(1+q)(1+q+q^3)},$$

$$K_2 = \frac{1+2q+q^3}{(1+q)(1+q+q^2)},$$

$$M(a,b) = f(a)g(a) + f(b)g(b),$$

and

$$N(a,b) = f(a)g(b) + f(b)g(a).$$

Proof. Since f and g be φ -convex functions, then

$$\begin{aligned} & f\left(\frac{2a + e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right)g\left(\frac{2a + e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right) \\ &= f\left(\frac{a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a) + a + (1-t)e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right) \\ & \quad \times g\left(\frac{a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a) + a + 1 - te^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} [\{f(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) + f(a + (1-t)e^{i\varphi}(b-a))\} \\ & \quad \{g(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) + g(a + (1-t)e^{i\varphi}(b-a))\}] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} [\{f(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a))g(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) \\ & \quad + f(a + (1-t)e^{i\varphi}(b-a))g(a + (1-t)e^{i\varphi}(b-a))\} \\ & \quad + \{2t(1-t)M(a,b) + (t^2 + (1-t)^2)N(a,b)\}]. \end{aligned}$$

q -integrating both sides of above inequality with respect to t on $[0, 1]$, we have

$$2f\left(\frac{2a + e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right)g\left(\frac{2a + e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{2}\right) - \frac{2q^2M(a,b) + (1+2q+q^3)N(a,b)}{2(1+q)(1+q+q^2)} \leq \frac{1}{e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} \int_a^{a+e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} f(x)g(x) d_q x.$$

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 5. Let $f, g : I_\varphi \rightarrow H$ be integrable and φ -convex function, then, for $0 < q < 1$, we have

$$\frac{1}{e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} \int_a^{a+e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} f(x)g(x) d_q x \leq P_1f(a)g(a) + P_2[q(1+q^2)f(b)g(b) + q^2N(a,b)],$$

where

$$P_1 = \frac{1}{1+q+q^2},$$

$$P_2 = \frac{1}{(1+q)(1+q+q^2)},$$

and

$$N(a,b) = f(a)g(b) + f(b)g(a).$$

Proof. Since f and g are φ -convex functions, then

$$f(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) \leq (1-t)f(a) + tf(b), \quad (10)$$

and

$$g(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) \leq (1-t)g(a) + tg(b). \quad (11)$$

Multiplying (10) and (11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & f(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a))g(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) \\ &\leq (1-t)^2f(a)g(a) + t(1-t)f(a)g(b) \\ & \quad + t(1-t)f(b)g(a) + t^2f(b)g(b). \end{aligned}$$

q -integrating both sides of above inequality with respect to t on $[0, 1]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 f(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a))g(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) d_q t \\ &\leq f(a)g(a) \int_0^1 (1-t)^2 d_q t + f(a)g(b) \int_0^1 t(1-t) d_q t \\ & \quad + f(b)g(a) \int_0^1 t(1-t) d_q t + f(b)g(b) \int_0^1 t^2 d_q t. \end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$\frac{1}{e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} \int_a^{a+e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} f(x)g(x) d_q x \leq P_1f(a)g(a) + P_2[q(1+q^2)f(b)g(b) + q^2N(a,b)].$$

This completes the proof. \square

We now give an auxiliary result which will be helpful in obtaining our next results.

Lemma 3. Let $f : I_\varphi \rightarrow H$ be a continuous function and $0 < q < 1$. If $\mathcal{D}_q f$ is an integrable function on I_φ^0 , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \Omega_f(a,b;q;\varphi) \\ &= \frac{qe^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{1+q} \int_0^1 (1-(1+q)t) \mathcal{D}_q f(a + te^{i\varphi}(b-a)) d_q t, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Omega_f(a,b;q;\varphi) = \frac{1}{e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} \int_a^{a+e^{i\varphi}(b-a)} f(x) d_q x - \frac{qf(a) + f(a + e^{i\varphi}(b-a))}{1+q}.$$

Proof. The proof is left on interested readers. \square

Theorem 6. Let $f : I_\varphi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a q -differentiable function on I_φ° with \mathcal{D}_q be continuous and integrable on I_φ where $0 < q < 1$. If $|\mathcal{D}_q f|$ is φ -convex function, then

$$|\Omega_f(a, b; q; \varphi)| \leq \Psi_\varphi(a, b; q) [(1 + 3q^2 + 2q^3)|\mathcal{D}_q f(a)| + (1 + 4q + q^2)|\mathcal{D}_q f(b)|],$$

where

$$\Psi_\varphi(a, b; q) = \frac{q^2 e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{(1+q)^2(1+q+q^2)}.$$

Proof. Using Lemma 3, property of modulus and the fact that $|\mathcal{D}_q f|$ is φ -convex function, then

$$\begin{aligned} & |\Omega_f(a, b; q; \varphi)| \\ &= \left| \frac{q e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{1+q} \int_0^1 (1-(1+q)t) \mathcal{D}_q f(a + t e^{i\varphi}(b-a)) d_q t \right| \\ &\leq \frac{q e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{1+q} \left[|\mathcal{D}_q f(a)| \int_0^1 |1-(1+q)t|(1-t) d_q t \right. \\ &\quad \left. + |\mathcal{D}_q f(b)| \int_0^1 |1-(1+q)t|t d_q t \right] \\ &= \frac{q^2 e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{(1+q)^4(1+q+q^2)} \\ &\quad \times [(1 + 3q^2 + 2q^3)|\mathcal{D}_q f(a)| + (1 + 4q + q^2)|\mathcal{D}_q f(b)|]. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 7. Let $f : I_\varphi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a q -differentiable function on I_φ° with \mathcal{D}_q be continuous and integrable on I_φ where $0 < q < 1$. If $|\mathcal{D}_q f|^r$ is φ -convex function, where $r \geq 1$, then

$$|\Omega_f(a, b; q; \varphi)| \leq \Theta_\varphi(a, b; q) \times \left[\frac{(1 + 3q^2 + 2q^3)|\mathcal{D}_q f(a)|^r + (1 + 4q + q^2)|\mathcal{D}_q f(b)|^r}{(1+q+q^2)(2+q+q^3)} \right]^{\frac{1}{r}},$$

where

$$\Theta_\varphi(a, b; q) = \frac{q^2(2+q+q^2)e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{(1+q)^4}.$$

Proof. Using Lemma 3, property of modulus, Holder's inequality and the fact that $|\mathcal{D}_q f|^r$ is φ -convex function, then

$$|\Omega_f(a, b; q; \varphi)| = \left| \frac{q e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{1+q} \int_0^1 (1-(1+q)t) \mathcal{D}_q f(a + t e^{i\varphi}(b-a)) d_q t \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \left(\int_0^1 |1-(1+q)t| d_q t \right)^{1-\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int_0^1 |1-(1+q)t| [(1-t)|\mathcal{D}_q f(a)|^r + t|\mathcal{D}_q f(b)|^r] d_q t \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &= \left(\frac{q(2+q+q^3)}{(1+q)^3} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\quad \times \left(\frac{q}{(1+q)^3(1+q+q^2)} [(1+3q^2+2q^3)|\mathcal{D}_q f(a)|^r \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (1+4q+q^2)|\mathcal{D}_q f(b)|^r] \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. \square

Now, we derive some q -analogues of Iyengar type inequalities.

Theorem 8. Let $f : I_\varphi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a q -differentiable function on I_φ° with \mathcal{D}_q be continuous and integrable on I_φ where $0 < q < 1$. If $|\mathcal{D}_q f|^r$ is quasi φ -convex function where $r \geq 1$, then

$$|\Omega_f(a, b; q; \varphi)| \leq \frac{q^2 e^{i\varphi}(b-a)(2+q+q^3)}{(1+q)^4} (\sup\{|\mathcal{D}_q f(a)|^r, |\mathcal{D}_q f(b)|^r\})^{\frac{1}{r}}.$$

Proof. Using Lemma 3, property of modulus, Holder's inequality and the fact that $|\mathcal{D}_q f|^r$ is quasi φ -convex function, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |\Omega_f(a, b; q; \varphi)| \\ &= \left| \frac{q t e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{1+q} \int_0^1 (1-(1+q)t)_a \mathcal{D}_q f(a + t e^{i\varphi}(b-a))_0 d_q t \right| \\ &\leq \frac{q e^{i\varphi}(b-a)}{1+q} \left(\int_0^1 |1-(1+q)t| d_q t \right)^{1-\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int_0^1 |1-(1+q)t| |\mathcal{D}_q f(a + t e^{i\varphi}(b-a))|^r d_q t \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &= \frac{q^2 e^{i\varphi}(b-a)(2+q+q^3)}{(1+q)^4} (\sup\{|\mathcal{D}_q f(a)|^r, |\mathcal{D}_q f(b)|^r\})^{\frac{1}{r}}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 9. Under the conditions of Theorem 8, if $r = 1$, then, we have

$$|\Omega_f(a, b; q; \varphi)| \leq \frac{q^2 e^{i\varphi}(b-a)(2+q+q^3)}{(1+q)^4} (\sup\{|\mathcal{D}_q f(a)|, |\mathcal{D}_q f(b)|\}).$$

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