

**Referee Report on the paper entitled**

**"Eigenfunction expansions of impulsive  $q$ -Sturm–Liouville problems "**

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The manuscript under review is devoted to the investigation of some spectral properties of the impulsive  $q$ -Sturm-Liouville problem defined by

$$-\frac{1}{q}D_{q^{-1}}D_q y(\zeta) + v(\zeta)y(\zeta) = \lambda y(\zeta), \quad \zeta \in (0, d) \cup (d, a) \quad (1)$$

$$y(0) - h_1 D_{q^{-1}}y(0) = 0,$$

$$y(d-) = \eta y(d+),$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{q^{-1}}y(d-) = \frac{1}{\eta} \mathcal{D}_{q^{-1}}y(d+),$$

$$y(a) + h_2 D_{q^{-1}}y(a) = 0, \quad (2)$$

where  $h_1, h_2, \eta > 0$ ,  $\lambda$  is a complex eigenvalue parameter,  $v$  is a real-valued continuous functions on  $[0, d) \cup (d, q^{-1}a]$  and has finite limits  $v(d\pm)$ ,  $v(\zeta) \geq 0$ ,  $\zeta \in [0, d) \cup (d, q^{-1}a]$ ,  $a > 0$ .

The manuscript consists of three sections. Section 1(Introduction) provides a summary of the relevant literature. In Section 2, the basic concepts of  $q$ -calculus are given. Section 3 contains the main results of the manuscripts. The authors proved some fundamental properties of Problem (1)-(2). First of all, it has been proven that the operator generated by Problem (1)-(2) is positive self-adjoint. The authors obtained the inverse of this operator. The compactness of the inverse operator has been achieved. Later, the authors obtained the existence of a countably infinite set of eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of Problem (1)-(2). Finally, using Steklov's method, they gave a uniformly convergent expansion formula in the eigenfunctions.

I think the idea of applying quantum calculus to the investigation of the impulsive Sturm-Liouville problems looks natural and the results could be of interest.

**Conclusion:** The theme of the manuscript is actual and corresponds to the profile of your journal. The results derived are original, mathematically correct, and contribute to the theory of differential operators.

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