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# On the Higher-Order $q$ -Euler Numbers and Polynomials with Weight $\alpha$

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The main purpose of this paper is to present a systemic study of some families of higher-order  $q$ -Euler numbers and polynomials with weight  $\alpha$ . In particular, by using the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , we give a new concept of  $q$ -Euler numbers and polynomials with weight  $\alpha$ .

## 1. Introduction

Let  $p$  be a fixed odd prime. Throughout this paper  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$ , and  $\mathbb{C}_p$  will, respectively, denote the ring of  $p$ -adic rational integers, the field, of  $p$ -adic rational numbers, the complex number field and the completion of algebraic closure of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ . Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of natural numbers and  $\mathbb{Z}_+ = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Let  $v_p$  be the normalized exponential valuation of  $\mathbb{C}_p$  with  $|p|_p = p^{-v_p(p)} = p^{-1}$  (see [1–14]). When one speaks of  $q$ -extension,  $q$  can be regarded as an indeterminate, complex number  $q \in \mathbb{C}$ , or  $p$ -adic number  $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$ ; it is always clear from context. If  $q \in \mathbb{C}$ , we assume  $|q| < 1$ . If  $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$ , then we assume  $|1 - q|_p < 1$  (see [1–14]).

In this paper, we use the notation of  $q$ -number as follows:

$$[x]_q = \frac{1 - q^x}{1 - q} \quad (1.1)$$

(see [1–14]). Note that  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} [x]_q = x$  for any  $x$  with  $|x|_p \leq 1$  in the  $p$ -adic case.

Let  $C(\mathbb{Z}_p)$  be the space of continuous functions on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . For  $f \in C(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ , the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} I_{-q}(f) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} f(x) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[p^N]_{-q}} \sum_{x=0}^{p^N-1} f(x) (-q)^x, \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[2]_q^{p^N-1}}{2} \sum_{x=0}^{p^N-1} f(x) (-q)^x \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

(see [4–7]).

From (1.2), we note that

$$qI_{-q}(f_1) + I_{-q}(f) = [2]_q f(0), \quad (1.3)$$

where  $f_1(x) = f(x+1)$ .

It is well known that the ordinary Euler polynomials are defined by

$$\frac{2}{e^t + 1} e^{xt} = e^{E(x)t} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (1.4)$$

with the usual convention of replacing  $E^n(x)$  by  $E_n(x)$ .

In the special case,  $x = 0$  and  $E_n(0) = E_n$  are called the  $n$ th Euler numbers (see [1–14]).

By (1.5), we get the following recurrence relation as follows:

$$E_0 = 1, \quad (E+1)^n + E = \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 0. \end{cases} \quad (1.5)$$

Recently,  $(h, q)$ -Euler numbers are defined by

$$E_{0,q}^{(h)} = \frac{2}{1+q^h}, \quad q^h (qE_q^{(h)} + 1)^n + E_q^{(h)} = \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 0, \end{cases} \quad (1.6)$$

with the usual convention about replacing  $(E_q^{(h)})^n$  by  $E_{n,q}^{(h)}$  (see [1–12]).

Note that  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} E_{n,q}^{(h)} = E_n$ .

For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ , the weight  $q$ -Euler numbers are also defined by

$$\tilde{E}_{0,q}^{(\alpha)} = 1, \quad q \left( q^\alpha \tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)} + 1 \right)^n + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)} = \begin{cases} [2]_{q^\alpha}, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 0, \end{cases} \quad (1.7)$$

with the usual convention about replacing  $(\tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)})^n$  by  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}$  (see [4]).

The purpose of this paper is to present a systemic study of some families of higher-order  $q$ -Euler numbers and polynomials with weight  $\alpha$ . In particular, by using the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , we give a new concept of  $q$ -Euler numbers and polynomials with weight  $\alpha$ .

## 2. Higher-Order $q$ -Euler Numbers and Polynomials with Weight $\alpha$

For  $h \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\alpha, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , let us consider the expansion of higher-order  $q$ -Euler polynomials with weight  $\alpha$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k | x) \\ &= \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p}}_{k\text{-times}} [x_1 + \cdots + x_k + x]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{x_1(h-1) + \cdots + x_k(h-k)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k). \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

From (1.2) and (2.1), we note that:

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k | x) = \frac{[2]_q^k}{(1 - q^\alpha)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l \frac{q^{\alpha l x}}{(1 + q^{\alpha l + h}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha l + h - k + 1})}. \quad (2.2)$$

In the special case,  $x = 0$ ,  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k | 0) = \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k)$  are called the higher-order  $q$ -Euler numbers with weight  $\alpha$ .

By (2.1), we get

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k) = (q^\alpha - 1) \tilde{E}_{n+1,q}^{(\alpha)}(h - \alpha, k) + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h - \alpha, k). \quad (2.3)$$

From (2.1) and (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\tilde{E}_{0,q}^{(\alpha)}(m\alpha, k + 1) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{\sum_{j=1}^{k+1} (m\alpha - j)x_j} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_{k+1}) \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^m \binom{m}{l} (q^\alpha - 1)^l \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x_1 + \cdots + x_{k+1}]_{q^\alpha}^l q^{-\sum_{j=1}^{k+1} jx_j} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_{k+1}) \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^m \binom{m}{l} (q^\alpha - 1)^l \tilde{E}_{l,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k + 1) \\ &= \frac{[2]_q^{k+1}}{(1 + q^{\alpha m})(1 + q^{\alpha m - 1}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha m - k})}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

From (2.1), we can derive the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=0}^i \binom{i}{j} (q^\alpha - 1)^j \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^{n-i+j} q^{(h-\alpha-1)x_1 + \cdots + (h-\alpha-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^{n-i} q^{(h-1)x_1 + \cdots + (h-k)x_k} q^{\alpha(x_1 + \cdots + x_k)(i-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \quad (2.5) \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} (q^\alpha - 1)^j \binom{i-1}{j} \tilde{E}_{n-i+j,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k).
\end{aligned}$$

By (2.1), (2.2), (2.3), and (2.4), we see that

$$\sum_{j=0}^i (q^\alpha - 1)^j \binom{i}{j} \tilde{E}_{n-i+j,q}^{(\alpha)}(h - \alpha, k) = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} (q^\alpha - 1)^j \binom{i-1}{j} \tilde{E}_{n-i+j,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k). \quad (2.6)$$

Therefore, we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** For  $\alpha, k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n, i \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , one has

$$\sum_{j=0}^i \binom{i}{j} (q^\alpha - 1)^j \tilde{E}_{n-i+j,q}^{(\alpha)}(h - \alpha, k) = \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} (q^\alpha - 1)^j \binom{i-1}{j} \tilde{E}_{n-i+j,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k). \quad (2.7)$$

By simple calculation, we easily see that

$$\sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (q^\alpha - 1)^j \tilde{E}_{j,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k) = \frac{[2]_q^k}{(1 + q^{\alpha m})(1 + q^{\alpha(m-1)}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha(m-k+1)})}. \quad (2.8)$$

### 3. Polynomials $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x)$

We now consider the polynomials  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x)$  (in  $q^x$ ) by

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x) = \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p}}_{k\text{-times}} [x + x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{-\sum_{j=1}^k jx_j} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k). \quad (3.1)$$

By (3.1), we get

$$(q^\alpha - 1)^n \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x) = [2]_q^k \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} q^{\alpha lx} (-1)^{n-l} \frac{1}{(1 + q^{\alpha l}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha(l-k+1)})}. \quad (3.2)$$

From (3.1) and (3.2), we can derive the following equation:

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \dots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (an-j)x_j + anx} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \dots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} [\alpha]_q^j (q-1)^j \tilde{E}_{j,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x), \tag{3.3}$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \dots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (an-j)x_j + anx} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \dots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) = \frac{[2]_q^k q^{anx}}{(1+q^{an}) \dots (1+q^{an-k+1})}.$$

Therefore, by (3.2) and (3.3), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.1.** For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n, k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , one has

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x) = \frac{[2]_q^k}{[\alpha]_q^n (1-q)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{alx} \frac{1}{(-q^{al-k+1}; q)_k}, \tag{3.4}$$

$$\sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} [\alpha]_q^l (q-1)^l \tilde{E}_{l,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x) = \frac{q^{anx} [2]_q^k}{(-q^{an-k+1}; q)_k},$$

where  $(a : q)_0 = 1$  and  $(a : q)_k = (1-a)(1-aq) \dots (1-aq^{k-1})$ .

Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . Then we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \dots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \left[ x + \sum_{j=1}^k x_j \right]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{-\sum_{j=1}^k jx_j} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \dots d\mu_{-q}(x_k)$$

$$= \frac{[d]_{q^\alpha}^n}{[d]_{-q}^k} \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_k=0}^{d-1} q^{-\sum_{j=2}^k (j-1)a_j} (-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^k a_j}$$

$$\times \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \dots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \left[ \frac{x + \sum_{j=1}^k a_j}{d} + \sum_{j=1}^k x_j \right]_{q^{ad}}^n q^{-d \sum_{j=1}^k jx_j} d\mu_{-q^d}(x_1) \dots d\mu_{-q^d}(x_k).$$
(3.5)

Thus, by (3.5), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.2.** For  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ , one has

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x) = \frac{[d]_{q^\alpha}^n}{[d]_{-q}^k} \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_k=0}^{d-1} q^{-\sum_{j=2}^k (j-1)a_j} (-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^k a_j} \tilde{E}_{n,q^d}^{(\alpha)}\left(0, k \mid \frac{x + a_1 + \dots + a_k}{d}\right). \tag{3.6}$$

Moreover,

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | dx) = \frac{[d]_{q^\alpha}^n}{[d]_{-q}^k} \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_k=0}^{d-1} q^{-\sum_{j=2}^k (j-1)a_j} (-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^k a_j} \tilde{E}_{n,q^d}^{(\alpha)}\left(0, k | x + \frac{a_1 + \dots + a_k}{d}\right). \quad (3.7)$$

By (3.1), we get

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x) = \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} [x]_{q^\alpha}^{n-l} q^{\alpha l x} \tilde{E}_{l,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k), \quad (3.8)$$

where  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | 0) = \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k)$ .

Thus, we note that

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x + y) = \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} [y]_{q^\alpha}^{n-l} q^{\alpha l y} \tilde{E}_{l,q}^{(\alpha)}(0, k | x). \quad (3.9)$$

#### 4. Polynomials $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x)$

Let us define polynomials  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x)$  as follows:

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{x_1(h-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1). \quad (4.1)$$

From (4.1), we have

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x) = \frac{[2]_q}{(1 - q^\alpha)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{\alpha l x} \frac{1}{(1 + q^{\alpha l + h})}. \quad (4.2)$$

By the calculation of the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , we see that

$$\begin{aligned} & q^{\alpha x} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{x_1(h-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \\ &= (q^\alpha - 1) \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1]_{q^\alpha}^{n+1} q^{x_1(h-\alpha-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) + \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{x_1(h-\alpha-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1). \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

Thus, by (4.3), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.1.** For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $h \in \mathbb{Z}$ , one has

$$q^{\alpha x} \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x) = (q^\alpha - 1) \tilde{E}_{n+1,q}^{(\alpha)}(h - \alpha - 1, 1 | x) + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h - \alpha - 1, 1 | x). \quad (4.4)$$

It is easy to show that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{x_1(h-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \\
 &= \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} [x]_{q^\alpha}^{n-l} q^{\alpha l x} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x_1]_{q^\alpha}^l q^{x_1(h-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \\
 &= \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} [x]_{q^\alpha}^{n-l} q^{\alpha l x} \tilde{E}_{l,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1) \\
 &= \left( q^{\alpha x} \tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)}(h, 1) + [x]_{q^\alpha} \right)^n, \quad \text{for } n \geq 1,
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.5}$$

with the usual convention about replacing  $(\tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)}(h, 1))^n$  by  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1)$ .

From  $qI_{-q}(f_1) + I_{-q}(f) = [2]_q f(0)$ , we have

$$q^h \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1 + 1]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{x_1(h-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) + \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{x_1(h-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) = [2]_q [x]_{q^\alpha}^n. \tag{4.6}$$

By (4.3) and (4.6), we get

$$q^h \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x + 1) + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x) = [2]_q [x]_{q^\alpha}^n. \tag{4.7}$$

For  $x = 0$  in (4.7), we have

$$q^h \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | 1) + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1) = \begin{cases} [2]_q, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 0. \end{cases} \tag{4.8}$$

Therefore, by (4.8), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.2.** For  $h \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , one has

$$q^h \left( q^\alpha \tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)}(h, 1) + 1 \right)^n + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1) = \begin{cases} [2]_q, & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 0, \end{cases} \tag{4.9}$$

with the usual convention about replacing  $(\tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)}(h, 1))^n$  by  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1)$ .

From the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , we easily get

$$\tilde{E}_{0,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{x_1(h-1)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) = \frac{[2]_q}{[2]_{q^h}}. \tag{4.10}$$

By (4.1), we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{E}_{n,q^{-1}}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | 1-x) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [1-x+x_1]_{q^{-\alpha}}^n q^{-x_1(h-1)} d\mu_{-q^{-1}}(x_1) \\
 &= (-1)^n q^{\alpha n+h-1} \frac{[2]_q}{(1-q^\alpha)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{\alpha l x} \frac{1}{1+q^{\alpha l+h}} \\
 &= (-1)^n q^{\alpha n+h-1} \tilde{E}_{n,q^{-1}}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x).
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.11}$$

Therefore, by (4.11), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.3.** For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $h \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , one has

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q^{-1}}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | 1-x) = (-1)^n q^{\alpha n+h-1} \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x). \tag{4.12}$$

In particular, for  $x = 1$ , one gets

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1) &= (-1)^n q^{\alpha n+h-1} \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | 1) \\
 &= (-1)^{n-1} q^{\alpha n-1} \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1) \quad \text{if } n \geq 1.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.13}$$

Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . Then one has

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{x_1(h-1)} [x+x_1]_{q^\alpha}^n d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \\
 &= \frac{[d]_{q^\alpha}^n}{[d]_{-q}^n} \sum_{a=0}^{d-1} q^{ha} (-1)^a \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \left[ \frac{x+a}{d} + x_1 \right]_{q^{\alpha d}}^n q^{x_1(h-1)d} d\mu_{-q^d}(x_1).
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.14}$$

Therefore, by (4.14), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.4** (Multiplication formula). For  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ , we have

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, 1 | x) = \frac{[d]_{q^\alpha}^n}{[d]_{-q}^n} \sum_{a=0}^{d-1} q^{ha} (-1)^a \tilde{E}_{n,q^d}^{(\alpha)}\left(h, 1 \mid \frac{x+a}{d}\right). \tag{4.15}$$



## 5. Polynomials $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k | x)$ and $k = h$

In (2.1), we know that

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k | x) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x_1 + \cdots + x_k + x]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{(h-1)x_1 + \cdots + (h-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k). \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

Thus, we get

$$\begin{aligned} (q^\alpha - 1)^n \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k | x) &= [2]_q^k \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^{n-l} \frac{q^{\alpha l x}}{(1 + q^{\alpha l + h}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha l + h - k + 1})}, \\ q^h \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + 1 + x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{(h-1)x_1 + \cdots + (h-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\ &= - \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{(h-1)x_1 + \cdots + (h-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\ &\quad + [2]_q \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_2 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{(h-2)x_2 + \cdots + (h-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q}(x_2) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k). \end{aligned} \quad (5.2)$$

Therefore, by (2.1) and (5.2), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.1.** For  $h \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , one has

$$q^h \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k | x + 1) + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k | x) = [2]_q \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h - 1, k - 1 | x). \quad (5.3)$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} & q^{\alpha x} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{hx_1 + (h-1)x_2 + \cdots + (h+1-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\ &= (q^\alpha - 1) \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^{n+1} q^{(h-\alpha)x_1 + \cdots + (h+1-\alpha-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{(h-\alpha)x_1 + \cdots + (h+1-\alpha-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\ &= (q^\alpha - 1) \tilde{E}_{n+1,q}^{(\alpha)}(h + 1 - \alpha, k | x) + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h + 1 - \alpha, k | x). \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

Therefore, by (5.4), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.2.** For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , one has

$$q^{\alpha x} \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h+1, k | x) = (q^\alpha - 1) \tilde{E}_{n+1,q}^{(\alpha)}(h+1 - \alpha, k | x) + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h+1 - \alpha, k | x). \quad (5.5)$$

Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \left[ x + \sum_{j=1}^k x_j \right]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (h-j)x_j} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\ &= \frac{[d]_{q^\alpha}^n}{[d]_{-q}^k} \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_k=0}^{d-1} q^{h \sum_{j=1}^k a_j - \sum_{j=2}^k (j-1)a_j} (-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^k a_j} \\ & \quad \times \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \left[ \frac{x + \sum_{j=1}^k a_j}{d} + \sum_{j=1}^k x_j \right]_{q^{d\alpha}}^n q^{d \sum_{j=1}^k (h-j)x_j} d\mu_{-q^d}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q^d}(x_k). \end{aligned} \quad (5.6)$$

Therefore, by (5.6), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.3.** For  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(h, k | dx) \\ &= \frac{[d]_{q^\alpha}^n}{[d]_{-q}^k} \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_k=0}^{d-1} q^{h \sum_{j=1}^k a_j - \sum_{j=2}^k (j-1)a_j} (-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^k a_j} \tilde{E}_{n,q^d}^{(\alpha)}\left(h, k | x + \frac{a_1 + \cdots + a_k}{d}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (5.7)$$

Let  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k, k | x) = \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | x)$ . Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (q^\alpha - 1)^n \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | x), \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^{n-l} q^{\alpha l x} \frac{[2]_q^k}{(1 + q^{\alpha l + k}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha l + 1})} \\ & \quad \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [k - x + x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^{-\alpha}}^n q^{-(k-1)x_1 - \cdots - (k-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q^{-1}}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q^{-1}}(x_k) \\ &= \frac{q^{\alpha \binom{k+1}{2} - k}}{(1 - q^{-\alpha})^n} [2]_q^k \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{\alpha l x} \frac{1}{(1 + q^{\alpha l + 1}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha l + k})} \\ &= (-1)^n q^{n\alpha} q^{\alpha \binom{k+1}{2} - k} \frac{[2]_q^k}{(1 - q^\alpha)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \frac{\binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{\alpha l x}}{(1 + q^{\alpha l + 1}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha l + k})} \\ &= (-1)^n q^{\alpha(n + \binom{k+1}{2}) - k} \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | x). \end{aligned} \quad (5.8)$$

Therefore, by (5.8), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.4.** For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , one has

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q^{-1}}^{(\alpha)}(k | k - x) = (-1)^n q^{\alpha(n + \binom{k+1}{2}) - k} \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | x). \quad (5.9)$$

Let  $x = k$  in Theorem 5.4. Then we see that

$$\tilde{E}_{n,q^{-1}}^{(\alpha)}(k | 0) = (-1)^n q^{\alpha(n + \binom{k+1}{2}) - k} \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | k). \quad (5.10)$$

From (4.6) and Theorem 5.1, we note that

$$q^k \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | x + 1) + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | x) = [2]_q \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k - 1 | x). \quad (5.11)$$

It is easy to show that

$$(q^\alpha - 1)^n \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | 0) = \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^{l+n} \frac{[2]_q^k}{(1 + q^{\alpha l + 1}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha l + k})}. \quad (5.12)$$

By simple calculation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (q^\alpha - 1)^l \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^l q^{\sum_{l=1}^k (k-l)x_l} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\ = \frac{[2]_q^k}{(1 + q^{\alpha n + k})(1 + q^{\alpha n + k - 1}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha n + 1})}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.13)$$

From (5.13), we note that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (q^\alpha - 1)^l \tilde{E}_{l,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | 0) &= \frac{[2]_q^k}{(1 + q^{\alpha n + k})(1 + q^{\alpha n + k - 1}) \cdots (1 + q^{\alpha n + 1})}, \\ \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | x) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_{q^\alpha}^n q^{(k-1)x_1 + \cdots + (k-k)x_k} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \\ &\quad \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} q^{\alpha l x} \tilde{E}_{l,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | 0) [x]_{q^\alpha}^{n-l} \\ &= (q^{x\alpha} \tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)}(k | 0) + [x]_{q^\alpha})^n \quad \text{for } n \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \end{aligned} \quad (5.14)$$

with the usual convention about replacing  $(\tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)}(k | 0))^n$  by  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | 0)$ .

Put  $x = 0$  in (5.11); we get

$$q^k \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | 1) + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | 0) = [2]_q \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k - 1 | 0). \quad (5.15)$$

Thus, we have

$$q^k \left( q^\alpha \tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)}(k | 0) + 1 \right)^n + \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | 0) = [2]_q \tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k - 1 | 0), \quad (5.16)$$

with the usual convention about replacing  $(\tilde{E}_q^{(\alpha)}(k | 0))^n$  by  $\tilde{E}_{n,q}^{(\alpha)}(k | 0)$ .

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