

## SOME $q$ -BERNOULLI NUMBERS OF HIGHER ORDER ASSOCIATED WITH THE $p$ -ADIC $q$ -INTEGRALS

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The purpose of this paper is to give a new definition of the extension of  $q$ -Bernoulli numbers by using a  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral in the  $p$ -adic number field.

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### INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  and  $\mathbb{C}_p$  will respectively denote the ring of rational integers, the ring of  $p$ -adic integers, the field of  $p$ -adic numbers and the completion of algebraic closure of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ .

Let  $v_p$  be the normalized exponential valuation of  $\mathbb{C}_p$  with  $|p|_p = p^{v_p(p)} = p^{-1}$ . If  $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$ , we normally assume  $|q-1|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}$ , so that  $q^x = \exp(x \log q)$  for  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . In this paper, we use the notation :

$$[x] = [x : q] = \frac{1 - q^x}{1 - q}.$$

Note that  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} [x] = x$ .

For any positive integer  $N$ , it was known (see [3]) that  $\mu_q(x + p^N \mathbb{Z}_p) = \frac{q^x}{[p^N]}$  can be extended to a distribution on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . This distribution yields an integral for each non-negative integer  $m$  (see [3]):

$$\beta_m = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [a]^m d\mu_q(a) = \frac{1}{(1-q)^m} \sum_{i=0}^m \binom{m}{i} (-1)^i \frac{i+1}{[i+1]},$$

where  $\beta_m$  is the  $m$ th Carlitz  $q$ -Bernoulli number, which reduces to  $B_k$  when  $q = 1$ .

To define a generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli number with order  $n$ , which reduces the generalized ordinary Bernoulli number of higher order, we first use the multiple  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral.

In this paper, the aim is to define the extension number of  $q$ -Bernoulli number with order  $n$  and to give a new explicit formula by this number.

EXTENSION OF  $q$ -BERNOULLI NUMBER

For  $h_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , we define a sequence of  $p$ -adic rational numbers as generalized Carlitz's  $q$ -Bernoulli numbers, polynomials with order  $k$  by

$$\beta_n^{(h_1, \dots, h_k : k)} = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \dots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x_1 + \dots + x_k]^n q^{\sum_{i=1}^k x_i (h_i - 1)} d\mu_q(x_1) \dots d\mu_q(x_k), \quad \dots (1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_n^{(h_1, \dots, h_k : k)}(x) &= \beta_n^{(h_1, \dots, h_k : k)}(x, q) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \dots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x_1 + \dots + x_k]^n q^{\sum_{i=1}^k x_i (h_i - 1)} d\mu_q(x_1) \dots d\mu_q(x_k). \quad \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see in [3] that

$$\beta_n^{(h_1, \dots, h_k : k)} = \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{n}{i} (-1)^i \frac{(i+h_1)(i+h_2)\dots(i+h_k)}{[i+h_1][i+h_2]\dots[i+h_k]}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_n^{(h_1, \dots, h_k : k)}(x, q) &= \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{n}{i} (-1)^i \frac{(i+h_1)(i+h_2)\dots(i+h_k)}{[i+h_1][i+h_2]\dots[i+h_k]} q^{ix} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} [x]^{n-j} q^{xj} \beta_n^{(h_1, \dots, h_k : k)}, \end{aligned}$$

for  $n > 0$ .

Note that

$$\beta_n^{(1, 1, \dots, 1 : k)}(x, q) = \beta_n^{(k)}(x, q) \text{ and } \lim_{q \rightarrow 1} \beta_n^{(k)}(x, q) = B_n^{(k)}(x), \quad \dots (5)$$

where  $B_n^{(k)}(x)$  is called the  $m$ th Bernoulli polynomial of order  $k$ .

We may now mention the following formulas which are easy to prove :

$$q^{h_1} \beta_n^{(h_1:1)}(x+1, q) - \beta_n^{(h_1:1)}(x, q) = n [x]^{n-1} + h_1 (q-1) [x]^n, \quad \dots (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta_n^{(h_1+1, h_2+1, \dots, h_k+1:k)}(x, q) \\ &= (q-1) \beta_{n+1}^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k:k)}(x, q) + \beta_n^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k:k)}(x, q), \quad \dots (7) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & [l]^{n-k} \sum_{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k=0}^{l-1} q^{s_1 h_1 + s_2 h_2 + \dots + s_k h_k} \beta_n^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k:k)} \left( x + \frac{s_1 + s_2 + \dots + s_k}{l}, q^l \right) \\ &= \beta_n^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k:k)}(lx, q), \quad \dots (8) \end{aligned}$$

where just as in formula (8) we get

$$[l]^{n-k} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} t_{r,k} q^k \beta_n^{(k)} \left( x + \frac{r}{k}, q^k \right) = \beta_n^{(k)}(xk, q),$$

where

$$\left( \frac{1-x^k}{1-x} \right)^z = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} T_{k,s} x^s.$$

Let  $d$  be a fixed integer and let  $p$  be a fixed prime number. We set

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \varprojlim_N (\mathbb{Z}/dp^N \mathbb{Z}), \\ X^* &= \bigcup_{\substack{0 < a < dp \\ (a,p)=1}} a + dp \mathbb{Z}_p \\ a + dp^N \mathbb{Z}_p &= \{x \in X \mid x \equiv a \pmod{dp^N}\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  lies in  $0 \leq a < dp^N$ .

Let  $\chi$  be a primitive Dirichlet character with conductor  $d \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . Then we define the generalized  $q$ -Bernoulli number of higher order with  $\chi$  as follows : for  $m \geq 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \overset{k \text{ times}}{\beta_{n, \chi}^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k : k)}} \\
 &= \int_X \int_X \dots \int_X \prod_{i=1}^k \chi(x_i) [x_1 + \dots + x_k]^n q^{\sum_{i=1}^k x_i (h_i - 1)} d\mu_q(x_1) \dots d\mu_q(x_k). \quad \dots (9)
 \end{aligned}$$

From (9), we easily get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \overset{k \text{ times}}{\beta_{n, \chi}^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k : k)}} \quad \dots (10) \\
 &= [d]^{n-k} \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k=0}^{d-1} \prod_{j=1}^k \chi(i_j) \beta_n^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k : k)} \left( \frac{i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_k}{d}, q^d \right) \prod_{j=1}^k \chi(i_j). \quad \dots (10)
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} \overset{k \text{ times}}{\beta_n^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k : k)}} = \overset{k \text{ times}}{B_n^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k)}},$$

where  $\overset{k \text{ times}}{B_n^{(h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k)}}$  was defined in [2].

By the simple calculation, we see :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m + d(t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_m) : q^d]^n \\
 &= \left( \left[ t_1 + \frac{x_1}{d} : q^d \right] + q^{dt_1 + x_1} \left[ t_2 + \frac{x_2}{d} : q^d \right] + \dots \right. \\
 & \left. + q^{d(t_1 + \dots + t_{m-1})} + \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} x_i \left[ t_m + \frac{x_m}{d} : q^d \right] \right)^n \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_m \geq 0 \\ n=i_1 + \dots + i_m}} \sum_{k_1=0}^{n-i_1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{n-i_1-i_2} \dots \sum_{k_{m-1}=0}^{n-i_1-\dots-i_{m-1}} \binom{n}{i_1, \dots, i_m} \binom{n-i_1}{k_1} \binom{n-i_1-i_2}{k_2} \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\binom{n-i_1-\dots-i_{m-1}}{k_{m-1}} (q^d-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^{m-1} k_j} \left( \prod_{j=1}^{m-1} [t_j+x_j : q^d]^{k_j+i_j} \right) [t_m+x_m : q^d]^{i_m}, \dots \quad (11)$$

where  $\binom{n}{i_1, \dots, i_m}$  is the multinomial coefficient.

$m$  times

By the definition of  $\beta_n^{(1, 1, \dots, 1 : m)}(x, q) = \beta_n^{(m)}(x, q)$ , we have the following :

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta_n^{(m)}\left(\frac{x_1+x_2+\dots+x_m}{d}, q^d\right) \\ &= \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_m \geq 0} \sum_{k_1=0}^{n-i_1} \dots \sum_{k_{m-1}=0}^{n-i_1-\dots-i_{m-1}} \binom{n}{i_1, \dots, i_m} \binom{n-i_1}{k_1} \dots \binom{n-i_1-\dots-i_{m-1}}{k_{m-1}} \\ & \cdot \left( \prod_{j=1}^{m-1} \beta_{k_j+i_j}\left(\frac{x_j}{d}, q^d\right) \right) \beta_{i_m}\left(\frac{x_m}{d}, q^d\right) (q^d-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^{m-1} k_j} \end{aligned} \quad \dots \quad (12)$$

From (10), (12), we easily get

$k$  times

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_m^{(m)} \chi &= \beta_{n, \chi}^{(1, 1, \dots, 1 : m)} \\ &= [d]^{n-m} \sum_{x_1, \dots, x_m=0}^{d-1} \sum_{q=1}^m x_j \beta_{q^m} \left( \frac{x_1+x_2+\dots+x_m}{d}, q^d \right) \prod_{j=1}^m \chi(x_j) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_m \geq 0 \\ n=i_1+\dots+i_m}} \sum_{k_1=0}^{n-i_1} \dots \sum_{k_{m-1}=0}^{n-i_1-\dots-i_{m-1}} \binom{n}{i_1, \dots, i_m} \binom{n-i_1}{k_1} \dots \binom{n-i_1-\dots-i_{m-1}}{k_{m-1}} \\ & \cdot \left( \prod_{j=1}^{m-1} \beta_{k_j+i_j, \chi} \right) (q^d-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^{m-1} k_j} \beta_{i_m, \chi}. \end{aligned} \quad \dots \quad (13)$$

Let  $\mu_k = \mu_{k; q}$  be given by

$$\mu_k(a + dp^N \mathbb{Z}_p) = [dp^N : q]^{k-1} q^a \text{bet}_k \left( \frac{a}{dp^N}, q^{dp^N} \right).$$

Then  $\mu_k$  extends to a  $\mathbf{Q}(q)$ -valued distribution on the compact open sets  $U \subset X$  (see [5]).

Now, we define

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_n^{(m)}(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n + dp^N \mathbb{Z}_p) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_m \geq 0 \\ n = i_1 + \dots + i_m}} \sum_{k_1=0}^{n-i_1} \dots \sum_{k_{m-1}=0}^{n-i_1-\dots-i_{m-1}} \binom{n}{i_1, \dots, i_m} \binom{n-i_1}{k_1} \dots \binom{n-i_1-\dots-i_{m-1}}{k_{m-1}} \\ & \cdot (q^d - 1)^{\sum_{i=1}^{m-1} k_i} \left( \prod_{j=1}^{m-1} \mu_{k_j+i_j}^{(m)}(x_j + dp^N \mathbb{Z}_p) \right) \mu_{i_m}^{(m)}(x_m + dp^N \mathbb{Z}_p). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\int_X \int_X \dots \int_X \prod_{i=1}^m \chi(x_i) d \mu_n^{(m)}(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m) = \beta_{n, \chi}^{(m)}, \quad \dots (14)$$

m times

$$\int_{pX} \int_{pX} \dots \int_{pX} \prod_{i=1}^m \chi(x_i) d \mu_n^{(m)}(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m) = [p]^{n-m} \chi(p^m) \beta_{n, \chi}^{(m)}(q^p). \quad \dots (15)$$

m times

By using (14), (15), the Kummer type congruence for  $\beta_{n, \chi}^{(m)}$  can be proved in [5]. In this paper, we remain for the reader to prove the Kummer type congruence for  $\beta_{n, \chi}^{(m)}$ .

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