# Research Article **Some Identities of the Frobenius-Euler Polynomials**

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By using the ordinary fermionic *p*-adic invariant integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , we derive some interesting identities related to the Frobenius-Euler polynomials.

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### **1. Introduction**

Let *p* be a fixed 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  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ . When one talks about *q*-extension, *q* is variously considered as an indeterminate, a complex  $q \in \mathbb{C}$ , or a *p*-adic number  $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$ ; see [1–14]. If  $q \in \mathbb{C}$ , then we assume |q| < 1. If  $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$ , then we assume  $|1 - q|_p < 1$ . For  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_p$ , we use the notation  $[x]_q = (1 - q^x)/(1 - q)$ , and  $[x]_{-q} = (1 - (-q)^x)/(1 + q)$ ; see [15, 16]. The normalized valuation in  $\mathbb{C}_p$  is denoted by  $|\cdot|_p$  with  $|p|_p = 1/p$ . We say that *f* is a uniformly differentiable function at a point  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  and denote this property by  $f \in UD(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ , if the difference quotients  $F_f(x, y) = (f(x) - f(y))/(x - y)$  have a limit l = f'(a) as  $(x, y) \to (a, a)$ . For  $f \in UD(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ , let us start with the expression

$$\frac{1}{[p^{N}]_{q}} \sum_{0 \le j < p^{N}} q^{j} f(j) = \sum_{0 \le j < p^{N}} f(j) \mu_{q} (j + p^{N} \mathbb{Z}_{p}),$$
(1.1)

representing a *q*-analogue of Riemann sums for *f*; see [15, 16]. The integral of *f* on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  will be defined as a limit  $(n \to \infty)$  of those sums, when it exists. The *q*-deformed bosonic *p*-adic integral of the function  $f \in UD(\mathbb{Z}_p)$  is defined by

$$I_{q}(f) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_{p}} f(x) d\mu_{q}(x) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{[dp^{N}]_{q}} \sum_{0 \le x < dp^{N}} f(x) q^{x},$$
(1.2)

see [15]. Thus, we note that

$$qI_q(f_1) = I_q(f) + (q-1)f(0) + \frac{q-1}{\log q}f'(0),$$
(1.3)

where  $f_1(x) = f(x+1)$ , f'(0) = df(0)/dx.

The fermionic *p*-adic invariant integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is defined as

$$I_{-1}(f) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} f(x) d\mu_{-1}(x) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{[p^N]_{-1}} \sum_{x=0}^{p^{N-1}} f(x) (-1)^x,$$
(1.4)

see [15].

In this paper, we prove an identity of symmetry for the Frobenius-Euler polynomials. Finally we investigate the several further interesting properties of the symmetry for the fermionic *p*-adic invariant integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  related to the Frobenius-Euler polynomials and numbers.

#### 2. Some Identities of the Frobenius-Euler Polynomials

Let  $u(\neq 1) \in \mathbb{C}_p$  (or  $\mathbb{C}$ ) be algebraic. Then the *n*th Frobenius-Euler numbers  $H_n(u)$  are defined as

$$H_0(u) = 1, \quad (H(u) + 1)^n - uH_n(u) = 0, \quad \text{if } n \ge 1,$$
 (2.1)

with the usual convention about replacing  $H^n(u)$  by  $H_n(u)$ .

The *n*th Frobenius-Euler polynomials  $H_n(u, x)$  are also defined as

$$H_n(u, x) = \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} x^{n-l} H_l(u).$$
(2.2)

From (1.4), we can easily derive

$$I_{-1}(f_1) + I_{-1}(f) = 2f(0), \text{ where } f_1(x) = f(x+1).$$
 (2.3)

By continuing this process, we see that

$$I_{-1}(f_n) + (-1)^{n-1}I_{-1}(f) = 2\sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (-1)^{n-1-l} f(l), \text{ where } f_n(x) = f(x+n).$$
(2.4)

When *n* is an odd positive integer, we obtain

$$I_{-1}(f_n) + I_{-1}(f) = 2\sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (-1)^l f(l).$$
(2.5)

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If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ , then we have

$$I_{-1}(f_n) - I_{-1}(f) = 2\sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (-1)^{l-1} f(l).$$
(2.6)

From (1.4) and (2.3), we derive

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{xt} q^x d\mu_{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{[2]_q} \frac{1 - (-q)^{-1}}{e^t - (-q)^{-1}} = \frac{2}{[2]_q} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} H_n(-q^{-1}) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.7)

Thus, we note that

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} x^n q^x d\mu_{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{[2]_q} H_n(-q^{-1}), \qquad \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (y+x)^n q^y d\mu_{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{[2]_q} H_n(-q^{-1},x).$$
(2.8)

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

$$[2]_{q} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (-1)^{l} q^{l} l^{m} = q^{n} H_{m}(-q^{-1}, n) + H_{m}(-q^{-1}).$$
(2.9)

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ , we have

$$q^{n}H_{m}(-q^{-1},n) - H_{m}(-q^{-1}) = [2]_{q} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (-1)^{l-1} q^{l} l^{m}.$$
(2.10)

By substituting  $f(x) = q^x e^{xt}$  into (2.5), we can easily see that

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{n+x} e^{(x+n)t} d\mu_{-1}(x) + \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^x e^{xt} d\mu_{-1}(x) = 2 \frac{q^n e^{nt} + 1}{q e^t + 1} = 2 \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (-1)^l q^l e^{lt}.$$
 (2.11)

Let  $S_{k,q}(n) = \sum_{l=0}^{n} (-1)^{l} l^{k} q^{l}$ . Then  $S_{k,q}(n)$  is called the alternating sums of powers of consecutive *q*-integers. From the definition of the fermionic *p*-adic invariant integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ , we can derive

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{x+n} e^{(x+n)t} d\mu_{-1}(x) + \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^x e^{xt} d\mu_{-1}(x) = \frac{2 \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^x e^{xt} d\mu_{-1}(x)}{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{nxt} q^{nx} d\mu_{-1}(x)}.$$
(2.12)

By (2.12), we easily see that

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{nx} e^{nxt} d\mu_{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{q^n e^{nt} + 1}.$$
(2.13)

Let  $w_1, w_2 (\in \mathbb{N})$  be odd. By using double fermionic *p*-adic invariant integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , we obtain

$$\frac{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{(w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2)t} q^{w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2} d\mu_{-1}(x_1) d\mu_{-1}(x_2)}{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{w_1 w_2 xt} q^{w_1 w_2 x} d\mu_{-1}(x)} = \frac{2(q^{w_1 w_2} e^{w_1 w_2 t} + 1)}{(q^{w_1} e^{w_1 t} + 1)(q^{w_2} e^{w_2 t} + 1)}.$$
(2.14)

Now we also consider the following fermionic *p*-adic invariant integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  associated with Frobenius-Euler polynomials:

$$\frac{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{(w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + w_1 w_2 x)t} q^{w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2} d\mu_{-1}(x_1) d\mu_{-1}(x_2)}{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{w_1 w_2 xt} q^{w_1 w_2 x} d\mu_{-1}(x)} = \frac{2e^{w_1 w_2 xt} (q^{w_1 w_2} e^{w_1 w_2 t} + 1)}{(q^{w_1} e^{w_1 t} + 1)(q^{w_2} e^{w_2 t} + 1)}.$$
 (2.15)

From (2.15) and (2.12), we can derive

$$\frac{2\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^x e^{xt} d\mu_{-1}(x)}{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{w_1 xt} q^{w_1 x} d\mu_{-1}(x)} = 2 \sum_{l=0}^{w_1 - 1} (-1)^l q^l e^{lt}$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( 2 \sum_{l=0}^{w_1 - 1} (-1)^l q^l l^k \right) \frac{t^k}{k!}$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2S_{k,q}(w_1 - 1) \frac{t^k}{k!}.$$
(2.16)

Let

$$M^{(w_1,w_2)}(t,x) = \frac{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{w_1x_1+w_2x_2} e^{(w_1x_1+w_2x_2+w_1w_2x)t} d\mu_{-1}(x_1) d\mu_{-1}(x_2)}{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{w_1w_2x_3t} q^{w_1w_2x_3} d\mu_{-1}(x_3)}.$$
 (2.17)

By (2.15), (2.16), and (2.17), we see that

$$M^{(w_1,w_2)}(t,x) = \frac{e^{w_1w_2xt}(q^{w_1w_2}e^{w_1w_2t}+1)}{(q^{w_1}e^{w_1t}+1)(q^{w_2}e^{w_2t}+1)}.$$
(2.18)

From (2.17) we derive

$$M^{(w_1,w_2)}(t,x) = \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{w_1(x_1+w_2x)t} q^{w_1x_1} d\mu_{-1}(x_1)\right) \left(\frac{2\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{w_2x_2t} q^{w_2x_2} d\mu_{-1}(x_2)}{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{w_1w_2xt} q^{w_1w_2x} d\mu_{-1}(x)}\right).$$
(2.19)

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By (2.16) and (2.19), we see that

$$M^{(w_1,w_2)}(t,x) = \left(\frac{1}{1+q^{w_1}}\sum_{i=0}^{\infty}H_i(-q^{-w_1},w_2x)\frac{w_1^i}{i!}t^i\right)\left(\sum_{l=0}^{\infty}S_{l,q^{w_2}}(w_1-1)\frac{w_2^l}{l!}t^l\right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\left(\sum_{i=0}^n\binom{n}{i}\frac{H_i(-q^{-w_1},w_2x)}{1+q^{w_1}}S_{n-i,q^{w_2}}(w_1-1)w_1^iw_2^{n-i}\right)\frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.20)

By the symmetry of *p*-adic invariant integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , we also see that

$$M^{(w_1,w_2)}(t,x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n} \binom{n}{i} \frac{H_i(-q^{-w_2},w_1x)}{1+q^{w_2}} S_{n-i,q^{w_1}}(w_2-1) w_2^i w_1^{n-i} \right) \frac{t^n}{n!},$$
 (2.21)

where  $H_n(-q^{-1}, x)$  are the *n*th Frobenius-Euler polynomials.

By comparing the coefficients on the both sides of (2.20) and (2.21), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** *For*  $w_1, w_2, n \in \mathbb{N}$  *with*  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ *,*  $w_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ *,*  $w_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ *, one has* 

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n} {n \choose i} \frac{H_{i}(-q^{-w_{1}}, w_{2}x)}{1+q^{w_{1}}} S_{n-i,q^{w_{2}}}(w_{1}-1)w_{1}^{i}w_{2}^{n-i}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n} {n \choose i} \frac{H_{i}(-q^{-w_{2}}, w_{1}x)}{1+q^{w_{2}}} S_{n-i,q^{w_{1}}}(w_{2}-1)w_{2}^{i}w_{1}^{n-i},$$
(2.22)

where  $H_n(q, x)$  are the nth Frobenius-Euler polynomials.

If we take  $w_2 = 1$  in Theorem 2.1, then we have

$$\frac{H_n(-q^{-1},w_1x)}{1+q} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} \frac{H_i(-q^{-w_1},x)}{1+q^{w_1}} S_{n-i,q}(w_1-1)w_1^i.$$
 (2.23)

From (2.11) and (2.12), we derive

$$M^{(w_{1},w_{2})}(t,x) = \left(\frac{e^{w_{1}w_{2}xt}}{2} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_{p}} e^{w_{1}x_{1}t} q^{w_{1}x_{1}} d\mu_{-1}(x_{1})\right) \left(\frac{2\int_{\mathbb{Z}_{p}} e^{w_{2}x_{2}t} q^{w_{2}x_{2}} d\mu_{-1}(x_{2})}{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_{p}} e^{w_{1}w_{2}xt} q^{w_{1}w_{2}x} d\mu_{-1}(x)}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{e^{w_{1}w_{2}xt}}{2} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_{p}} e^{w_{1}x_{1}t} q^{w_{1}x_{1}} d\mu_{-1}(x_{1})\right) \left(2\sum_{l=0}^{w_{1}-1} (-1)^{l} q^{w_{2}l} e^{w_{2}lt}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{w_{1}-1} (-1)^{l} q^{w_{2}l} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_{p}} e^{(x_{1}+w_{2}x+(w_{2}/w_{1})l)tw_{1}} q^{x_{1}w_{1}} d\mu_{-1}(x_{1})$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(2\sum_{l=0}^{w_{1}-1} (-1)^{l} \frac{H_{n}(-q^{-w_{1}},w_{2}x+(w_{2}/w_{1})l)}{1+q^{w_{1}}} q^{w_{2}l}\right) \frac{t^{n}}{n!}.$$
(2.24)

From the symmetry of  $M^{(w_1,w_2)}(t,x)$ , we note that

$$M^{(w_1,w_2)}(t,x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( 2\sum_{l=0}^{w_2-1} (-1)^l \frac{H_n(-q^{-w_2},w_1x+(w_1/w_2)l)}{1+q^{w_2}} q^{w_1l} \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
 (2.25)

By comparing the coefficients on the both sides of (2.24) and (2.25), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $w_1, w_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  be odd, and let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  with  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . Then, one has

$$\sum_{l=0}^{w_1-1} (-1)^l \frac{H_n(-q^{-w_1}, w_2x + (w_2/w_1)l)}{1+q^{w_1}} q^{w_2l} = \sum_{l=0}^{w_2-1} (-1)^l \frac{H_n(-q^{-w_2}, w_1x + (w_1/w_2)l)}{1+q^{w_2}} q^{w_1l}.$$
(2.26)

By setting  $w_2 = 1$  in Theorem 2.2, we get the multiplication theorem for the Frobenius-Euler polynomials as follows:

$$\frac{H_n(-q^{-1},w_1x)}{1+q} = \sum_{l=0}^{w_1-1} (-1)^l q^l H_n\left(-q^{-w_1},x+\frac{l}{w_1}\right).$$
(2.27)

*Remark* 2.3. By using the fermionic *p*-adic invariant *q*-integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , the symmetric properties related to Frobenius-Euler polynomials are studied in [17]. In this paper, we have studied the symmetric properties of Frobenius-Euler polynomials, which are different from the symmetric properties treated in a previous paper [17]. To derive the symmetric properties of Frobenius-Euler polynomials, we used the ordinary fermionic *p*-adic invariant integrals on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  in this paper.

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