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On the Distribution of the q -Euler Polynomials and the q -Genocchi Polynomials of Higher Order

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In 2007 and 2008, Kim constructed the q -extension of Euler and Genocchi polynomials of higher order and Choi-Anderson-Srivastava have studied the q -extension of Euler and Genocchi numbers of higher order, which is defined by Kim. The purpose of this paper is to give the distribution of extended higher-order q -Euler and q -Genocchi polynomials.

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1. Introduction

The Euler numbers E_n and polynomials $E_n(x)$ are defined by the generating function in the complex number field as

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2}{e^t + 1} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_n \frac{t^n}{n!} \quad (|t| < \pi), \\ \frac{2}{e^t + 1} e^{xt} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} \quad (|t| < \pi),\end{aligned}\tag{1.1}$$

cf. [1–4]. The Bernoulli numbers B_n and polynomials $B_n(x)$ are defined by the generating function as

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{t}{e^t - 1} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n \frac{t^n}{n!}, \\ \frac{t}{e^t - 1} e^{xt} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!},\end{aligned}\tag{1.2}$$

cf. [5–8]. The Genocchi numbers G_n and polynomials $G_n(x)$ are defined by the generating function as

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2t}{e^t + 1} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} G_n \frac{t^n}{n!}, \\ \frac{2t}{e^t + 1} e^{xt} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} G_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!},\end{aligned}\tag{1.3}$$

cf. [9, 10]. It satisfies $G_0 = 0$, $G_1 = 1, \dots$, and for $n \geq 1$,

$$G_n = 2^n \left(B_n \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - B_n \right).\tag{1.4}$$

Let p be a fixed odd prime number. Throughout this paper, \mathbb{Z}_p , \mathbb{Q}_p , and \mathbb{C}_p will be, respectively, the ring of p -adic rational integers, the field of p -adic rational numbers and the p -adic completion of the algebraic closure of \mathbb{Q}_p . The p -adic absolute value in \mathbb{C}_p is normalized so that $|p|_p = 1/p$. When one talks of q -extension, q is variously considered as an indeterminate, a complex number $q \in \mathbb{C}$ or a p -adic number $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$. If $q \in \mathbb{C}$, one normally assumes $|q| < 1$. If $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$, one normally assumes $|1 - q|_p < 1$. We use the notation

$$[x]_q = \frac{1 - q^x}{1 - q}, \quad [x]_{-q} = \frac{1 - (-q)^x}{1 + q},\tag{1.5}$$

cf. [1–5, 9–23] for all $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$. For a fixed odd positive integer d with $(p, d) = 1$, set

$$\begin{aligned}X &= X_d = \varprojlim_n \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{dp^n \mathbb{Z}}, \quad X_1 = \mathbb{Z}_p, \\ X^* &= \bigcup_{\substack{0 < a < dp \\ (a,p)=1}} (a + dp\mathbb{Z}_p), \\ a + dp^n \mathbb{Z}_p &= \{x \in X \mid x \equiv a \pmod{dp^n}\},\end{aligned}\tag{1.6}$$

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

$$\mu_q(a + dp^n \mathbb{Z}_p) = \frac{q^a}{[dp^n]_q}\tag{1.7}$$

is known to be a distribution on X , cf. [1–5, 9–23].

We say that f is 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

$$F_f(x, y) = \frac{f(x) - f(y)}{x - y}\tag{1.8}$$

have a limit $l = f'(a)$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (a, a)$, cf. [4].

The p -adic q -integral of a function $f \in UD(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ was defined as

$$I_q(f) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} f(x) d\mu_q(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[p^n]_q} \sum_{x=0}^{p^n-1} f(x) q^x,\tag{1.9}$$

$$I_{-q}(f) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} f(x) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[p^n]_q} \sum_{x=0}^{p^n-1} f(x) (-q)^x,\tag{1.10}$$

cf. [14]. In (1.10), when $q \rightarrow 1$, we derive

$$I_{-1}(f_1) + I_{-1}(f) = 2f(0), \quad (1.11)$$

where $f_1(x) = f(x+1)$. If we take $f(x) = e^{tx}$, then we have $f_1(x) = e^{t(x+1)} = e^{tx}e^t$. From (1.11), we obtain

$$I_{-1}(e^{tx}) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{tx} d\mu_{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{e^t + 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_n \frac{t^n}{n!}. \quad (1.12)$$

In view of (1.10), we can consider the q -Euler numbers as follows:

$$I_{-q}(e^{t[x]_q}) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{t[x]_q} d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_{n,q} \frac{t^n}{n!}. \quad (1.13)$$

By (1.12) and (1.13), we obtain the followings.

Lemma 1.1. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$E_n = \frac{G_{n+1}}{n+1}. \quad (1.14)$$

Proof. We note that

$$\begin{aligned} tI_{-1}(e^{tx}) &= \frac{2t}{e^t + 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} G_n \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} G_n \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{G_{n+1}}{n+1} \frac{t^{n+1}}{n!}, \\ tI_{-1}(e^{tx}) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} x^n d\mu_{-1}(x) \frac{t^{n+1}}{n!}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.15)$$

From (1.15), we have

$$\frac{G_{n+1}}{n+1} = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} x^n d\mu_{-1}(x) = E_n. \quad (1.16)$$

The purpose of this paper is to give the distribution of extended higher order q -Euler and q -Genocchi polynomials. In [24], Choi-Anderson-Srivastava have studied the q -extension of the Apostol-Euler polynomials of order n , and the multiple Hurwitz zeta functions (see [24]). Actually, their results and definitions are not new (see [18, 20]) and the definition of the Apostol-Bernoulli numbers in their paper are exactly the same as the definition of the q -extension of Genocchi numbers. Finally, they conjecture that the following q -distribution relation holds:

$$([m]_q)^{k-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (-w)^j E_{k,q^m, zw^m}^{(n)} \left(\frac{x+j}{m} \right) = E_{k,q,w}^{(n)}(x) \quad (1.17)$$

(see [24, Remark 6, page 735]). This seems to be nonsense as a conjecture. In this paper we give the corrected distribution relation related to the conjecture of Choi-Anderson-Srivastava in [24] (see Theorem 2.6). \square

2. Weighted q -Genocchi number of higher order

In this section, we assume that $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1 - q|_p < 1$ or $q \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|q| < 1$. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\omega \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1 - \omega|_p < 1$, we define the weighted q -Euler numbers of order k as follows:

$$E_{n,q,\omega}^{(k)} = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (k-j)x_j} \omega^{x_1 + \cdots + x_k} [x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_q^n d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k). \quad (2.1)$$

We note that q -binomial coefficient is defined by

$$\binom{n}{k}_q = \frac{[n]_q [n-1]_q \cdots [n-k+1]_q}{[k]_q}, \quad (2.2)$$

cf. [20]. From (2.1), we obtain the following theorem.

Lemma 2.1. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $\omega \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1 - \omega|_p < 1$, one has

$$E_{n,q,\omega}^{(k)} = [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m \omega^m q^m [m]_q^n. \quad (2.3)$$

Proof. From (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_{n,q,\omega}^{(k)} &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (k-j)x_j} \omega^{x_1 + \cdots + x_k} [x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_q^n d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[p^N]_{-q}^k} \sum_{x_1, \dots, x_k=0}^{p^N-1} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (k-j)x_j} \omega^{x_1 + \cdots + x_k} [x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_q^n (-q)^{x_1 + \cdots + x_k} \\ &= \frac{[2]_q^k}{2^k} \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x_1, \dots, x_k=0}^{p^N-1} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (k-j+1)x_j} (-1)^{x_1 + \cdots + x_k} \\ &\quad \times \omega^{x_1 + \cdots + x_k} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{l(x_1 + \cdots + x_k)} \\ &= \frac{[2]_q^k}{2^k} \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l \frac{2^k}{\prod_{j=1}^k (1 + q^{l+j}\omega)} \\ &= [2]_q^k \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m q^{lm} q^m \omega^m \\ &= [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m q^{lm} q^m \omega^m \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{lm} \\ &= [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m q^{lm} q^m \omega^m [m]_q. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Now we consider the following generating functions:

$$\begin{aligned}
F_{q,w}^{(k)}(t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_{n,q,w}^{(k)} \frac{t^n}{n!} \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m w^m q^m [m]_q^n \\
&= [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m w^m q^m e^{[m]_q t}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

By (2.5), we can define the weighted q -Genocchi numbers of order k :

$$T_{q,w}^{(k)}(t) = t^k F_{q,w}^{(k)}(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} G_{n,q,w}^{(k)} \frac{t^n}{n!}. \tag{2.6}$$

From (2.1), (2.2), and (2.6), we note that

$$\begin{aligned}
G_{0,q,w}^{(k)} &= G_{1,q,w}^{(k)} = \cdots = G_{k-1,q,w}^{(k)} = 0, \\
t^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_{n,q,w}^{(k)} \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} G_{n,q,w}^{(k)} \frac{t^n}{n!}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

Thus, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_{n,q,w}^{(k)} \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} G_{n,q,w}^{(k)} \frac{t^{n-k}}{n!} \\
&= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} G_{n+k,q,w}^{(k)} \frac{t^n}{(n+k)!} \\
&= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} G_{n+k,q,w}^{(k)} \frac{1}{\binom{m+k-1}{m}} \frac{t^n}{n!}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

From (2.8), we obtain the following recursion relation between q -Euler and q -Genocchi numbers of order k . \square

Theorem 2.2. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $w \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1-w|_p < 1$, one has

$$\binom{m+k}{k} k! E_{n,q,w}^{(k)} = G_{n+k,q,w}^{(k)}. \tag{2.9}$$

For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we also define the weighted q -Euler polynomials of order k as follows:

$$E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (k-j)x_j} w^{x_1 + \cdots + x_k} [x + x_1 + \cdots + x_k]_q^n d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k). \tag{2.10}$$

From (2.9), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.3. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $w \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1 - w|_p < 1$, one has

$$E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) = [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m w^m q^m [x+m]_q^n. \quad (2.11)$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[p^N]_{-q}^k} \sum_{x_1, \dots, x_k=0}^{p^N-1} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (k-j)x_j} w^{x_1+\dots+x_k} [x+x_1+\dots+x_k]_q^n (-q)^{x_1+\dots+x_k} \\ &= \frac{[2]_q^k}{2^k} \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{lx} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x_1, \dots, x_k=0}^{p^N-1} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (k-j+l+1)x_j} (-1)^{x_1+\dots+x_k} w^{x_1+\dots+x_k} \\ &= \frac{[2]_q^k}{2^k} \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{lx} \frac{2^k}{\prod_{j=1}^k (1+q^{l+j}w)} \\ &= [2]_q^k \frac{1}{(1-q)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{lx} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m q^{lm} q^m w^m \\ &= [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m q^{lm} q^m w^m [x+m]_q^n. \end{aligned} \quad (2.12)$$

From (2.11), we consider the following generating functions:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{q,w}^{(k)}(t, x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m w^m q^m [x+m]_q^n \frac{t^n}{n!} \\ &= [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m w^m q^m e^{[x+m]_q t}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

□

By (2.13), we can define the weighted q -Genocchi polynomials of order k as follows:

$$T_{q,w}^{(k)}(t, x) = t^k F_{q,w}^{(k)}(t, x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} G_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \quad (2.14)$$

From (2.14), we note that

$$\begin{aligned} G_{0,q,w}^{(k)}(x) &= G_{1,q,w}^{(k)} = \dots = G_{k-1,q,w}^{(k)}(x) = 0, \\ t^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} G_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

By comparing the coefficients on both sides, we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} G_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^{n-k}}{n!} \\
&= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} G_{n+k,q,w}^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{(n+k)!} \\
&= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} G_{n+k,q,w}^{(k)}(x) \frac{1}{\binom{m+k-1}{m}} \frac{t^n}{n!}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

From (2.16), we obtain the following recursion relation between weighted q -Euler and weighted q -Genocchi polynomials of order k .

Theorem 2.4. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $w \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1-w|_p < 1$, one has

$$\binom{m+k}{k} k! E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) = G_{n+k,q,w}^{(k)}(x). \tag{2.17}$$

Corollary 2.5. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $w \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1-w|_p < 1$, one has

$$\begin{aligned}
G_{n+k,q,w}^{(k)}(x) &= k! \binom{n+k}{k} \frac{[2]_q^k}{(1-q)^n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l q^{xl} \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^k (1+q^{l+j}w)} \\
&= k! \binom{n+k}{k} [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m w^m q^m [x+m]_q^n.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} q^{\sum_{j=1}^k (k-j)x_j} w^{x_1+\cdots+x_k} [x+x_1+\cdots+x_k]_q^n d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k) \\
&= \frac{[d]_q^m}{[d]_{-q}^k} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k=0}^{d-1} q^{k \sum_{j=1}^k i_j - \sum_{j=2}^k (j-1)i_j} (-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^k i_j} w^{i_1+\cdots+i_k} \\
&\quad \times \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \left[\frac{x + \sum_{j=1}^k i_j}{d} + \sum_{j=1}^k x_j \right]_{q^d}^m (q^d)^{\sum_{j=1}^k (k-j)x_j} (w^d)^{x_1+\cdots+x_k} \\
&\quad \times d\mu_{-q^d}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q^d}(x_k) \\
&= \frac{[d]_q^m}{[d]_{-q}^k} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k=0}^{d-1} q^{k \sum_{j=1}^k i_j - \sum_{j=2}^k (j-1)i_j} (-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^k i_j} E_{m,q^d,w^d}^{(k)} \left(\frac{x+x_1+\cdots+x_k}{d} \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

Therefore, we obtain the following main results.

Theorem 2.6 (Distribution for higher order q -Euler polynomials). For $d \in \mathbb{N}$ with $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $w \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1 - w|_p < 1$, one has

$$E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) = \frac{[d]_q^m}{[d]_{-q}^k} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k=0}^{d-1} q^{k \sum_{j=1}^k i_j - \sum_{j=2}^k (j-1)i_j} (-1)^{\sum_{j=1}^k i_j} E_{m,q^d,w^d}^{(k)} \left(\frac{x + x_1 + \dots + x_k}{d} \right). \quad (2.20)$$

For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $w \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|w| < 1$, we easily see that

$$F_{q,w}^{(k)}(t, x) = [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q (-1)^m w^m q^m e^{[x+m]_q t} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} E_{m,q,w}^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^m}{m!}. \quad (2.21)$$

Thus we have

$$E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x) = \frac{d^n}{dt^n} F_{q,w}^{(k)}(t, x) = [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m q^m w^m [x+m]_q^n \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q. \quad (2.22)$$

Definition 2.7. For $s \in \mathbb{C}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $w \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|w| < 1$, one has

$$\zeta_{q,w,E}^{(k)}(s, x) = [2]_q^k \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m w^m q^m \binom{m+k-1}{m}_q}{[m+x]_q^s}. \quad (2.23)$$

Note that $\zeta_{q,w,E}^{(k)}(s, x)$ is analytic function in the whole complex s -plane. From (2.23), we derive the following.

Theorem 2.8. For $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $w \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1 - w|_p < 1$, one has

$$\zeta_{q,w,E}^{(k)}(-n, x) = E_{n,q,w}^{(k)}(x). \quad (2.24)$$

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