

Note on degenerate tangent polynomials of higher order

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Abstract

In this paper, we introduce degenerate tangent numbers $\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(\lambda)$ and tangent polynomials $\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda)$ of higher order. Finally, we obtain interesting properties of these numbers and polynomials.

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1. Introduction

L. Carlitz introduced the degenerate Bernoulli polynomials (see [1]). Feng Qi *et al.* [2] studied the partially degenerate Bernoulli polynomials of the first kind in p -adic field. T. Kim studied the Barnes' type multiple degenerate Bernoulli and Euler polynomials (see [3]), In [5], we introduced the tangent numbers and tangent polynomials of higher order. Recently, Ryoo introduced the degenerate tangent numbers and tangent polynomials (see [6]). In this paper, we introduce degenerate tangent numbers $\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(\lambda)$ and tangent polynomials $\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda)$ of higher order.

Throughout this paper we use the following notations. By \mathbb{Z}_p we denote the ring of p -adic rational integers, \mathbb{Q}_p denotes the field of rational numbers, \mathbb{N} denotes the set of natural numbers, \mathbb{C} denotes the complex number field, \mathbb{C}_p denotes the completion of algebraic closure of \mathbb{Q}_p , \mathbb{N} denotes the set of natural numbers and $\mathbb{Z}_+ = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, and \mathbb{C} denotes the set of complex numbers.

Let v_p be the normalized exponential valuation of \mathbb{C}_p with $|p|_p = p^{-v_p(p)} = p^{-1}$. When one talks of q -extension, q is considered in many ways such as an indeterminate, a complex number $q \in \mathbb{C}$, or p -adic number $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$. If $q \in \mathbb{C}$ one normally assumes that

$|q| < 1$. If $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$, we normally assume that $|q-1|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}$ so that $q^x = \exp(x \log q)$ for $|x|_p \leq 1$.

For

$$g \in UD(\mathbb{Z}_p) = \{g|g : \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p \text{ is uniformly differentiable function}\},$$

the fermionic p -adic invariant integral on \mathbb{Z}_p is defined by Kim as follows:

$$I_{-1}(g) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} g(x) d\mu_{-1}(x) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x=0}^{p^N-1} g(x) (-1)^x, \quad (\text{see [3, 4]}). \quad (1.1)$$

If we take $g_1(x) = g(x+1)$ in (1.1), then we see that

$$I_{-1}(g_1) + I_{-1}(g) = 2g(0), \quad (\text{see [3, 4]}). \quad (1.2)$$

We recall that the classical Stirling numbers of the first kind $S_1(n, k)$ and $S_2(n, k)$ are defined by the relations (see [7])

$$(x)_n = \sum_{k=0}^n S_1(n, k) x^k \text{ and } x^n = \sum_{k=0}^n S_2(n, k) (x)_k,$$

respectively. Here $(x)_n = x(x-1) \cdots (x-n+1)$ denotes the falling factorial polynomial of order n . We also have

$$\sum_{n=m}^{\infty} S_2(n, m) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{(e^t - 1)^m}{m!} \text{ and } \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} S_1(n, m) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{(\log(1+t))^m}{m!}. \quad (1.3)$$

The generalized falling factorial $(x|\lambda)_n$ with increment λ is defined by

$$(x|\lambda)_n = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (x - \lambda k) \quad (1.4)$$

for positive integer n , with the convention $(x|\lambda)_0 = 1$. We also need the binomial theorem: for a variable x ,

$$(1 + \lambda t)^{x/\lambda} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x|\lambda)_n \frac{t^n}{n!}. \quad (1.5)$$

First, using multiple of p -adic integral, we introduce tangent polynomials of higher order $T_n^{(k)}(x)$: For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we define

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T_n^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p}}_{k \text{ times}} e^{(x+2x_1+2x_2+\cdots+2x_k)t} d\mu_{-1}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-1}(x_k). \quad (1.6)$$

By (1.2), tangent polynomials of higher order, $T_n^{(k)}(x)$ are defined by means of the following generating function

$$\left(\frac{2}{e^{2t} + 1}\right)^k e^{xt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T_n^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \quad (1.7)$$

When $x = 0$, $T_n^{(k)}(0) = T_n^{(k)}$ are called the tangent numbers of higher order (see [5]). In [5], we studied tangent numbers T_n polynomials $T_n(x)$ of higher order and investigate their properties.

Theorem 1.1. ([5]) For positive integers n and $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$T_n^{(k)}(x) = \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p}}_{k \text{ times}} (x + 2x_1 + \cdots + 2x_k)^n d\mu_{-1}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-1}(x_k),$$

$$T_n^{(k)} = \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p}}_{k \text{ times}} (2x_1 + \cdots + 2x_k)^n d\mu_{-1}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-1}(x_k).$$

2. Degenerate tangent polynomials of higher order

In this section, we introduce degenerate tangent polynomials of higher order, $\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda)$. We use the notation

$$\sum_{k_1=0}^m \cdots \sum_{k_n=0}^m = \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_n=0}^m.$$

Let us assume that $t, \lambda \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ such that $|\lambda t|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}$. Now, using multiple of p -adic integral, we introduce tangent polynomials $\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda)$ of higher order: For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we define

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p}}_{k \text{ times}} (1 + \lambda t)^{\frac{(x+2x_1+2x_2+\cdots+2x_k)}{\lambda}} d\mu_{-1}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-1}(x_k). \quad (2.1)$$

When $x = 0$, $\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(0, \lambda) = \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(\lambda)$ are called the degenerate tangent numbers of higher order. By (1.2) and (2.1), we get

$$\underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p}}_{k \text{ times}} (1 + \lambda t)^{\frac{(x+2x_1+2x_2+\cdots+2x_k)}{\lambda}} d\mu_{-1}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-1}(x_k)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2/\lambda} + 1}\right)^k (1 + \lambda t)^{x/\lambda}. \quad (2.2)$$

By (2.1) and (2.2), degenerate tangent polynomials of higher order, $\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda)$ are defined by means of the following generating function

$$\left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2/\lambda} + 1} \right)^k (1 + \lambda t)^{x/\lambda} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \quad (2.3)$$

Thus, by (2.3) and (1.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2/\lambda} + 1} \right)^k (1 + \lambda t)^{x/\lambda} \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{e^{2t} + 1} \right)^k e^{xt} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T_n^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

By comparing coefficients $\frac{t^n}{n!}$ in the above equation, we arrive at the following theorem.

Theorem 2.1. For positive integers n , we have

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) = T_n^{(k)}(x)$$

By (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p}}_{k \text{ times}} \left(\frac{x + 2x_1 + \cdots + 2x_k}{\lambda} \right)_n d\mu_{-1}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-1}(x_k) \frac{\lambda^n t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

By (1.5) and (2.5), we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.2. For positive integers n and $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) = \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p}}_{k \text{ times}} (x + 2x_1 + \cdots + 2x_k | \lambda)_n d\mu_{-1}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-1}(x_k). \quad (2.6)$$

Corollary 2.3. For positive integers n , we have

$$\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(\lambda) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (2x_1 + \cdots + 2x_k | \lambda)_n d\mu_{-1}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-1}(x_k).$$

We observe that

$$(2x_1 + \cdots + 2x_k | \lambda)_n = \sum_{l=0}^n \lambda^{n-l} S_1(n, l) (2x_1 + \cdots + 2x_k)^l, \quad (2.7)$$

Thus, by (2.5), (2.7), and Theorem 1, we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.4. For positive integers n and $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) = \sum_{l=0}^n \lambda^{n-l} S_1(n, l) T_l^{(k)}(x).$$

By (2.3) and (1.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2/\lambda} + 1} \right)^k (1 + \lambda t)^{x/\lambda} \\ &= \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_m^{(k)}(\lambda) \frac{t^m}{m!} \right) \left(\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (x | \lambda)_l \frac{t^l}{l!} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} \mathcal{T}_l^{(k)}(\lambda) (x | \lambda)_{n-l} \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

By comparing coefficients of $\frac{t^n}{n!}$ in the above equation, we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.5. For $n \geq 0$, we have

$$\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) = \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} \mathcal{T}_l^{(k)}(\lambda) (x | \lambda)_{n-l}.$$

From (2.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x + y, \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2/\lambda} + 1} \right)^k (1 + \lambda t)^{(x+y)/\lambda} \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2/\lambda} + 1} \right)^k (1 + \lambda t)^{x/\lambda} (1 + \lambda t)^{y/\lambda} \\ &= \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} \right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (y | \lambda)_n \frac{t^n}{n!} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} \mathcal{T}_l^{(k)}(x, \lambda) (y | \lambda)_{n-l} \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

Therefore, by (2.8), we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.6. For $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, we have

$$\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x + y, \lambda) = \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} \mathcal{T}_l^{(k)}(x, \lambda) (y|\lambda)_{n-l}.$$

From Theorem 2.6, we note that $\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda)$ is a Sheffer sequence.

By replacing t by $\frac{e^{\lambda t} - 1}{\lambda}$ in (2.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{2}{e^{2t} + 1} \right)^k e^{xt} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \left(\frac{e^{\lambda t} - 1}{\lambda} \right)^n \frac{1}{n!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \lambda^{-n} \sum_{m=n}^{\infty} S_2(m, n) \lambda^m \frac{t^m}{m!} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{n=0}^m \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \lambda^{m-n} S_2(m, n) \right) \frac{t^m}{m!}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

Thus, by (2.9) and (1.7), we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.7. For $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, we have

$$T_m^{(k)}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^m \lambda^{m-n} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) S_2(m, n).$$

By replacing t by $\log(1 + \lambda t)^{1/\lambda}$ in (1.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T_n^{(k)}(x) (\log(1 + \lambda t)^{1/\lambda})^n \frac{1}{n!} &= \left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2d/\lambda} + 1} \right)^k (1 + \lambda t)^{x/\lambda} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} T_m^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \frac{t^m}{m!}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T_n^{(k)}(x) (\log(1 + \lambda t)^{1/\lambda})^n \frac{1}{n!} \\ = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{n=0}^m \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \lambda^{m-n} S_1(m, n) \right) \frac{t^m}{m!}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

Thus, by (2.10) and (2.11), we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.8. For $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, we have

$$\mathcal{T}_m^{(k)}(x, \lambda) = \sum_{n=0}^m \lambda^{m-n} T_n^{(k)}(x) S_1(m, n).$$

Finally, we obtain distribution relation of degenerate tangent polynomials of higher order as follows: For $d \in \mathbb{N}$ with $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2/\lambda} + 1} \right) \cdots \left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2/\lambda} + 1} \right) (1 + \lambda t)^{x/\lambda} \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{(1 + \lambda t)^{2d/\lambda} + 1} \right)^k \\ &\quad \times \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_k=0}^{d-1} (-1)^{a_1 + \dots + a_k} (1 + \lambda t)^{\left(\frac{2a_1 + \dots + 2a_k + x}{d} \right) (dt)}. \end{aligned}$$

From the above, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_k=0}^{d-1} (-1)^{a_1 + \dots + a_k} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)} \left(\frac{2a_1 + \dots + 2a_k + x}{d}, \frac{\lambda}{d} \right) \frac{(dt)^n}{n!}.$$

By comparing coefficients of $\frac{t^n}{n!}$ in the above equation, we arrive at the following theorem.

Theorem 2.9. For $m \in \mathbb{N}$ with $m \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, we have

$$\mathcal{T}_n^{(k)}(x, \lambda) = m^n \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_k=0}^{m-1} (-1)^{a_1 + \dots + a_k} \mathcal{T}_n^{(k)} \left(\frac{2a_1 + \dots + 2a_k + x}{m}, \frac{\lambda}{m} \right).$$

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