

A REMARK ON p -ADIC q -BERNOULLI MEASURE

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I. Introduction

Throughout this paper \mathbb{Z}_p , \mathbb{Q}_p and \mathbb{C}_p will denote the ring of p -adic rational integers, the field of p -adic rational numbers and the completion of the algebraic closure of \mathbb{Q}_p , respectively. Let v_p be the normalized exponential valuation of \mathbb{C}_p with $|p|_p = p^{-v_p(p)} = p^{-1}$. We set $p^* = p$ for any prime $p > 2$ and $p^* = 4$ for $p = 2$.

Let $\bar{f} = [f, p^*]$ be the least common multiple f and p^* , and \mathbb{Z} the rational integer ring.

We set

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}} &= \varprojlim \mathbb{Z}/\bar{f}p^n\mathbb{Z} \quad \text{for } n \geq 0, \\ \mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}^* &= \bigcup_{\substack{0 < a < pf \\ (a, p) = 1}} a + \bar{f}p\mathbb{Z}_p, \\ a + \bar{f}p^n\mathbb{Z}_p &= \{x \in \mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}} \mid x \equiv a \pmod{\bar{f}p^n}\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ lies in $0 \leq a < \bar{f}p^n$.

When we talk q -extension, q is variously considered as an indeterminate, a complex number $q \in \mathbb{C}$, or a p -adic number $q \in \mathbb{Q}_p$. If $q \in \mathbb{C}$, we normally assume $|q| < 1$. If $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$, we normally assume $|q - 1|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}$, so that $q^x = e^{x \log q}$ for $|x|_p < 1$. Carlitz's q -Bernoulli numbers $\beta_k = \beta_k(q)$ [1] can be determined inductively by

$$\beta_0 = 1, \quad q(q\beta + 1)^k - \beta^k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } k > 1 \end{cases}$$

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with the usual convention of replacing β^k by β_k .

Let $[x]$ be denoted by $[x] = [x : q] = \frac{1-q^x}{1-q}$.

For any positive integer N ,

$$\mu_q(a + \bar{f}p^N \mathbb{Z}_p) = \frac{q^a}{[\bar{f}p^N]}.$$

is known as a distribution on $\mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}$ [2].

In the p -adic case [2], Carlitz's q -Bernoulli numbers $\beta_k = \beta_k(q)$ are represented by a q -analogue of Witt's formula and some properties are investigated.

In the complex case [1], the Carlitz's numbers $B^k(q) = B_k(q)$ are determined by

$$B_0(q) = 1, \quad (qB(q) + 1)^k - B_k(q) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } k > 1 \end{cases}$$

with the usual convention of replacing $B_k(q)$ by $B^k(q)$ [1],[5]. These numbers $B_k(q)$ induce Carlitz's numbers $\beta_k(q) = \beta_k$.

Note that $B_k(q) \rightarrow B_k$ as $q \rightarrow 1$. In this paper, we assume that $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$ with $|1 - q|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}$, so that $q^x = e^{x \log q}$ for $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$. In [2], the p -adic q -Bernoulli polynomials $B_k(x : q)$ are represented by

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + t]^n q^{-t} d\mu_q(t) = B_n(x : q).$$

Let K be a field over \mathbb{Q}_p . Then we call a function μ a K -measure on $\mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}^*$ if μ is finitely additive function defined on open-closed subsets in $\mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}^*$, whose values are in the field K . Any open-closed subset in $\mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}^*$ is disjoint union of some finite intervals $I_{a,n} = a + p^n \bar{f} \mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}$ in $\mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}^*$, where $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ prime to f , and therefore a K -measure μ is determined by its values on all the intervals in $\mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}$. Let $\mathbb{Q}^{(f)}$ denote the set of all rational numbers, whose denominator is a divisor of $\bar{f}p^n$ for some $n \geq 0$.

In this paper, we shall prove a q -analogue of the Nasybullin's lemma and construct a p -adic q -Bernoulli measure to obtain a p -adic q - L -function.

II. q -analogue of Nasybullin's lemma

First, we wil prove a q -analogue of Nasybullin's lemma.

THEOREM 1. *Let R be a K -valued function defined on $\mathbb{Q}^{(f)}$ with the property; there exist two constansts $A, B \in K$ such that*

$$\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} R\left(\left[\frac{x+k}{p} : q^p\right]\right) = AR([x : q]) + BR([px : q^{\frac{1}{p}}]),$$

$$R([x+1 : q]) = R([x : q])$$

for any number $x \in \mathbb{Q}^{(f)}$. And let $\rho \neq 0$ be a root of the equation $y^2 = Ay + Bp$. Then there exists a $K(\rho)$ -measure μ on \mathbb{Z}_f^* such that

$$\mu(I_{a,n}) = \rho^{-n} R\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^n \bar{f}} : q^{p^n \bar{f}}\right]\right) + B\rho^{-(n+1)} R\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^{n-1} \bar{f}} : q^{p^{n-1} \bar{f}}\right]\right)$$

for any interval $I_{a,n}$.

Note that if $q \rightarrow 1$, then the above Theorem 1 is Nasybullin' lemma [4].

Proof. It is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \mu(I_{a+p^n \bar{f} k, n+1}) = \mu(I_{a,n}).$$

Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \mu(I_{a+p^n \bar{f} k, n+1}) \\ &= \rho^{-(n+1)} \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} R\left(\left[\frac{a+p^n \bar{f} k}{p^{n+1} \bar{f}} : q^{p^{n+1} \bar{f}}\right]\right) \\ & \quad + B\rho^{-(n+2)} \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} R\left(\left[\frac{a+p^n \bar{f} k}{p^n \bar{f}} : q^{p^n \bar{f}}\right]\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \rho^{-(n+1)} \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} R\left(\left[\frac{k + \frac{a}{p^n \bar{f}}}{p} : (q^{p^n \bar{f}})^p\right]\right) \\
 &\quad + B\rho^{-(n+2)} \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} R\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^n \bar{f}} + k : q^{p^n \bar{f}}\right]\right) \\
 &= \rho^{-(n+1)} AR\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^n \bar{f}} : q^{p^n \bar{f}}\right]\right) + \rho^{-(n+1)} BR\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^{n-1} \bar{f}} : q^{p^{n-1} \bar{f}}\right]\right) \\
 &\quad + B\rho^{-(n+2)} pR\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^{n-1} \bar{f}} : q^{p^n \bar{f}}\right]\right) \\
 &= \rho^{-(n+2)} (\rho A + pB) R\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^n \bar{f}} : q^{p^n \bar{f}}\right]\right) + \rho^{-(n+1)} BR\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^{n-1} \bar{f}} : q^{p^{n-1} \bar{f}}\right]\right) \\
 &= \rho^{-n} R\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^n \bar{f}} : q^{p^n \bar{f}}\right]\right) + \rho^{-(n+1)} BR\left(\left[\frac{a}{p^{n-1} \bar{f}} : q^{p^{n-1} \bar{f}}\right]\right) \\
 &= \mu(I_{a,n}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\mu(I_{a,n}) = \sum_{\substack{b(\pmod{p^{n+1}\bar{f}}) \\ b \equiv a(\pmod{p^n\bar{f}})}} \mu(I_{b,n+1}).$$

This proves our assertion because any open-closed subset is a disjoint union of some finite intervals, as already remarked above.

III. On q -Bernoulli functions

Let $B_m(x : q)$ be the m th q -Bernoulli polynomials and let $P_m([x])$ be the m th q -Bernoulli functions, that is,

$$P_m([x]) = B_m(x : q) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x < 1.$$

For any real x , we easily see that $P_m([x+1]) = P_m([x])$.

Note that

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} P_m([x]) = P_m(x),$$

where $P_m(x)$ is the usual Bernoulli functions.

As is known [2], for any real number x

$$[p]^{m-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} P_m\left(\left[\frac{x+i}{p} : q^p\right]\right) = p_m([x : q]).$$

Thus the function $P_m([x])$ satisfied the property of q -Nasybullin's lemma with constants $A = [p]^{1-m}$, $B = 0$. Then $\rho \neq 0$ is equal to $[p]^{1-m}$, as $\rho^2 = A\rho + Bp$ reduces simply to $\rho^2 = [p]^{1-m}\rho$.

Therefore we obtain the following result.

THEOREM 2. *Let the function $\mu_m = \mu_{m;q}$ be defined on $I_{a,n}$ by*

$$\mu_m(I_{a,n}) = [\bar{f}p^n]^{m-1} P_m\left(\left[\frac{a}{\bar{f}p^n} : q^{\bar{f}p^n}\right]\right).$$

Then μ_m is a $\mathbb{Q}_p(q)$ -measure on $\mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}^*$.

Let χ be a primitive Dirichlet character modulo \bar{f} . Then the generalized q -Bernoulli number is defined in [2] by

$$\begin{aligned} B_{k,\chi}(q) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}} \chi(x)q^{-x}[x]^k d\mu_q(x) \\ &= [\bar{f}]^{k-1} \sum_{a=0}^{\bar{f}-1} \chi(a)B_k\left(\frac{a}{\bar{f}} : q^{\bar{f}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

We can compute a q -analogue of the p -adic L -function of Kubota-Leopoldt by the following p -adic q -Mellin-Mazur transform [2] with respect to μ_m .

Let

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mu_m, \chi) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_{\bar{f}}^*} \chi(a)d\mu_m(a) \\ &= \lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\substack{a \pmod{p^\rho \bar{f}} \\ a \in \mathbb{Z}, (a, \bar{f})=1}} \chi(a)\mu_m(I_{a,\rho}). \end{aligned}$$

Since the character χ is constant on the interval $I_{a,0}$,

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mu_m, \chi) &= \sum_{a \pmod{f}} \chi(a) \mu_m(I_{a,0}) \\ &= \sum_{a \pmod{f}} \chi(a) [f]^{m-1} P_m\left(\left\{\frac{a}{f} : q^f\right\}\right) \\ &= B_{m,\chi}(q) - \chi(p) [p]^{m-1} B_{m,\chi}(q^p), \end{aligned}$$

where $B_{m,\chi}(q)$ denotes the m th q -Bernoulli number containing χ .

Therefore we obtain the following result.

For $m \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-1}{m} L(\mu_m, \chi \omega^{-m}) &= \frac{-1}{m} (B_{m,\chi \omega^{-m}}(q) - \chi \omega^{-m}(p) [p]^{m-1} B_{m,\chi \omega^{-m}}(q^p)) \\ &= L_{p,q}(1 - m, \chi). \end{aligned}$$

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