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# Some New Classes of Generalized Apostol-Euler and Apostol-Genocchi Polynomials

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The main object of this paper is to introduce and investigate two new classes of generalized Apostol-Euler and Apostol-Genocchi polynomials. In particular, we obtain a new addition formula for the new class of the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials. We also give an extension and some analogues of the Srivastava-Pintér addition theorem obtained in the works by Srivastava and Pintér (2004) and R. Tremblay, S. Gaboury, B.-J. Fugère, and Tremblay et al. (2011). for both classes.

## 1. Introduction

The generalized Bernoulli polynomials  $B_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$  of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ , the generalized Euler polynomials  $E_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$  of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ , and the generalized Genocchi polynomials  $G_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$  of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ , each of degree  $n$  as well as in  $\alpha$ , are defined, respectively, by the following generating functions (see, [1, volume 3, page 253 et seq.], [2, Section 2.8], and [3]):

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{t}{e^t - 1}\right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} B_k^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{t^k}{k!} \quad (|t| < 2\pi; 1^\alpha := 1), \\ \left(\frac{2}{e^t + 1}\right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E_k^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{t^k}{k!} \quad (|t| < \pi; 1^\alpha := 1), \\ \left(\frac{2t}{e^t + 1}\right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} G_k^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{t^k}{k!} \quad (|t| < \pi; 1^\alpha := 1). \end{aligned}$$

(1.1)

The literature contains a large number of interesting properties and relationships involving these polynomials [1, 4–7]. These appear in many applications in combinatorics, number theory, and numerical analysis.

Many interesting extensions to these polynomials have been given. In particular, Luo and Srivastava [8, 9] introduced the generalized Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda)$  of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ; Luo [10] invented the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda)$  of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  and the generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials  $\mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda)$  of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  in [3]. These polynomials are defined, respectively, as follows.

*Definition 1.1.* The generalized Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda)$  of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  are defined by means of the following generating function:

$$\left(\frac{t}{\lambda e^t - 1}\right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_k^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) \frac{t^k}{k!} \quad (1.2)$$

$$(|t| < 2\pi, \text{ if } \lambda = 1; |t| < |\log \lambda|, \text{ if } \lambda \neq 1; 1^\alpha := 1)$$

with

$$B_n^{(\alpha)}(x) = \mathfrak{B}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; 1). \quad (1.3)$$

*Definition 1.2.* The generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda)$  of order  $\alpha$  are defined by means of the following generating function:

$$\left(\frac{2}{\lambda e^t + 1}\right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_k^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) \frac{t^k}{k!} \quad (|t| < |\log(-\lambda)|; 1^\alpha := 1) \quad (1.4)$$

with

$$E_n^{(\alpha)}(x) = \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; 1). \quad (1.5)$$

*Definition 1.3.* The generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials  $\mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda)$  of order  $\alpha$  are defined by means of the following generating function:

$$\left(\frac{2t}{\lambda e^t + 1}\right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{G}_k^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) \frac{t^k}{k!} \quad (|t| < |\log(-\lambda)|; 1^\alpha := 1) \quad (1.6)$$

with

$$G_n^{(\alpha)}(x) = \mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; 1). \quad (1.7)$$

Many authors have investigated these polynomials and numerous very interesting papers can be found in the literature. The reader should read [11–20].

Recently, the authors [21] studied a new family of generalized Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials of order  $\alpha$  in the following form.

*Definition 1.4.* For arbitrary real or complex parameter  $\alpha$  and for  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , the generalized Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , are defined, in a suitable neighborhood of  $t = 0$ , with  $|t \log b| < 2\pi$  if  $\lambda = 1$  or with  $|t \log b| < |\log \lambda|$  if  $\lambda \neq 1$ , by means of the generating function:

$$\left( \frac{t^m}{\lambda b^t - \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} \left( (t \log b)^l / l! \right)} \right)^\alpha \cdot c^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \frac{t^k}{k!}. \tag{1.8}$$

It easy to see that if we set  $m = 1$ ,  $b = c = e$  in (1.8), we arrive at the following:

$$\left( \frac{t}{\lambda e^t - 1} \right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{B}_n^{[0, \alpha]}(x, e, e; \lambda) \frac{t^k}{k!}. \tag{1.9}$$

This is the generating function for the generalized Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials of order  $\alpha$ . Thus, we have

$$\mathfrak{B}_n^{[0, \alpha]}(x, e, e; \lambda) = \mathfrak{B}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda). \tag{1.10}$$

Obviously, when we set  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\alpha = 1$  in (1.10) we obtain

$$\mathfrak{B}_n^{[0, 1]}(x, e, e; 1) = B_n(x), \tag{1.11}$$

where  $B_n(x)$  are the classical Bernoulli polynomials.

Moreover, Srivastava et al. [22] introduced two new families of generalized Euler and Genocchi polynomials. They investigated the following forms.

*Definition 1.5.* Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$  ( $a \neq b$ ) and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Then the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda; a, b, c)$  of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  are defined by the following generating function:

$$\left( \frac{2}{\lambda b^t + a^t} \right)^\alpha \cdot c^{xt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda; a, b, c) \frac{t^n}{n!} \tag{1.12}$$

$$\left( \left| t \log \left( \frac{b}{a} \right) \right| < |\log(-\lambda)|; 1^\alpha := 1; x \in \mathbb{R} \right).$$

*Definition 1.6.* Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$  ( $a \neq b$ ) and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Then the generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials  $\mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda; a, b, c)$  of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  are defined by the following generating function:

$$\left(\frac{2t}{\lambda b^t + a^t}\right)^\alpha \cdot c^{xt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda; a, b, c) \frac{t^n}{n!} \quad (1.13)$$

$$\left(\left|t \log\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)\right| < |\log(-\lambda)|; 1^\alpha := 1; x \in \mathbb{R}\right).$$

It is easy to see that setting  $a = 1$  and  $b = c = e$  in (1.12) and (1.13) yields the classical results for the Apostol-Euler and Apostol-Genocchi polynomials.

Lately, Kurt [23] presented a new interesting class of generalized Euler polynomials. Explicitly, he introduced the next definition.

*Definition 1.7.* For arbitrary real or complex parameter  $\alpha$ , the generalized Euler polynomials  $E_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , are defined, in a suitable neighborhood of  $t = 0$  by means of the generating function:

$$\left(\frac{2^m}{e^t + \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} (t^l/l!)}\right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x) \frac{t^k}{k!}. \quad (1.14)$$

It is easy to see that if we set  $m = 1$  in (1.14), we arrive at the following:

$$\left(\frac{2}{e^t + 1}\right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E_k^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{t^k}{k!}, \quad (1.15)$$

which is the generating function for the generalized Euler polynomials of order  $\alpha$ . Thus, we have

$$E_n^{[0, \alpha]}(x) = E_n^{(\alpha)}(x). \quad (1.16)$$

In this paper, we propose a further generalization of Apostol-Euler polynomials and the Apostol-Genocchi polynomials and we give some properties involving them. For the new class of Apostol-Euler polynomials, we establish a new addition theorem with the help of a result given by Srivastava et al. [24]. We also give an extension of the Srivastava-Pintér theorem [25, 26]. Finally, we exhibit some relationships between the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials and other polynomials or special functions with the help of the new addition formula.

## 2. New Classes of Generalized Apostol-Euler and Apostol-Genocchi Polynomials

The following definitions provide a natural generalization of the Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x; \lambda)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  and the Apostol-Genocchi polynomials  $\mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x; \lambda)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , of order  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ .

*Definition 2.1.* For arbitrary real or complex parameter  $\alpha$  and for  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , are defined, in a suitable neighborhood of  $t = 0$ , with  $|t \log b| < |\log(-\lambda)|$  by means of the generating function:

$$\left( \frac{2^m}{\lambda b^t + \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} ((t \log b)^l / l!)} \right)^\alpha \cdot c^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \frac{t^k}{k!}. \quad (2.1)$$

It is easy to see that if we set  $m = 1$ ,  $b = c = e$  in (2.1), we arrive at the following:

$$\left( \frac{2}{\lambda e^t + 1} \right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{E}_n^{[0, \alpha]}(x, e, e; \lambda) \frac{t^k}{k!}. \quad (2.2)$$

This is the generating function for the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials of order  $\alpha$ . Thus, we have

$$\mathfrak{E}_n^{[0, \alpha]}(x, e, e; \lambda) = \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda). \quad (2.3)$$

*Definition 2.2.* For arbitrary real or complex parameter  $\alpha$  and for  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , the generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials  $\mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , are defined, in a suitable neighborhood of  $t = 0$ , with  $|t \log b| < |\log(-\lambda)|$  by means of the generating function:

$$\left( \frac{2^m t^m}{\lambda b^t + \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} ((t \log b)^l / l!)} \right)^\alpha \cdot c^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \frac{t^k}{k!}. \quad (2.4)$$

Obviously, if we set  $m = 1$ ,  $b = c = e$  in (2.4), we obtain

$$\left( \frac{2t}{\lambda e^t + 1} \right)^\alpha \cdot e^{xt} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{G}_n^{[0, \alpha]}(x, e, e; \lambda) \frac{t^k}{k!}. \quad (2.5)$$

This is the generating function for the generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials of order  $\alpha$ . Thus, we have

$$\mathfrak{G}_n^{[0, \alpha]}(x, e, e; \lambda) = \mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda). \quad (2.6)$$

The generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  defined by (2.1) possess the following interesting properties. These are stated as Theorems 2.3, 2.4, and 2.5 below.

**Theorem 2.3.** *The generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, l]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  and the generalized Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{[m-1, l]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$ ,  $l \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , are related by*

$$\mathfrak{B}_n^{[m-1, l]}(x, b, c; \lambda) = \frac{(-1)^l n!}{2^{ml} (n - ml)!} \mathfrak{E}_{n-ml}^{[m-1, l]}(x, b, c; -\lambda) \quad (n, l, m \in \mathbb{N}_0, n \geq ml) \quad (2.7)$$

or, equivalently, by

$$\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,l]}(x, b, c; \lambda) = \frac{(-2^m)^l n!}{(n - ml)!} \mathfrak{B}_{n+ml}^{[m-1,l]}(x, b, c; -\lambda) \quad (n, l, m \in \mathbb{N}_0). \quad (2.8)$$

*Proof.* Considering the generating function (2.1), the relations (2.7) and (2.8) follow easily.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $\alpha$  an arbitrary complex number, and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  satisfy the following relations:

$$\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha+\beta]}(x + y, b, c; \lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}^{[m-1,\beta]}(y, b, c; \lambda), \quad (2.9)$$

$$\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x + y, b, c; \lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) (y \log c)^{n-k}. \quad (2.10)$$

*Proof.* Considering the generating function (2.1) and comparing the coefficients of  $t^n/n!$  in the both sides of the above equation, we arrive at (2.9). Proof of (2.10) is similar.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.5.** The generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  satisfy the following recurrence relation:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x + 1, b, c; \lambda) + \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= 2 \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}^{(-1)}(0; \lambda; 1, c, a), \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

where  $\mathfrak{E}_{n-1-k}^{(-1)}(0; \lambda; 1, c, a)$  are the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials defined by (1.12).

*Proof.* Considering the expression  $\lambda \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x + 1, b, c; \lambda) + \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  and using the generating functions (2.1) and (1.12), (2.11) follows easily.  $\square$

*Remark 2.6.* Setting  $m = 1$  and  $b = c = e$  in (2.11) and with the help of (2.3), we find

$$\lambda \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x + 1; \lambda) + \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) = 2 \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}^{(-1)}(0; \lambda). \quad (2.12)$$

Using the well-known result (see [8])

$$\mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha+\beta)}(x + y; \lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}^{(\beta)}(y; \lambda), \quad (2.13)$$

(2.12) becomes the familiar relation for the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials (see [8]):

$$\lambda \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x + 1; \lambda) + \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) = 2 \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\alpha-1)}(x; \lambda). \quad (2.14)$$

Now, let us shift our focus on some interesting properties for the generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials  $\mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  defined by (2.4). These are stated as Theorems 2.7, 2.8, and 2.9 below.

**Theorem 2.7.** *The generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials  $\mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$ , the generalized Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials  $\mathfrak{B}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$ , and the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  are related by*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) &= (-2^m)^\alpha \mathfrak{B}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; -\lambda) \quad (\alpha \in \mathbb{C}), \\ \mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,l]}(x, b, c; \lambda) &= \frac{n!}{(n - ml)!} \mathfrak{E}_{n-ml}^{[m-1,l]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \quad (n, l, m \in \mathbb{N}_0, n \geq ml). \end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

*Proof.* Considering the generating function (2.4), the relations (2.15) follow easily. □

**Theorem 2.8.** *Let  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $\alpha$  an arbitrary complex number, and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, the generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials  $\mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  satisfy the following relations:*

$$\mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha+\beta]}(x + y, b, c; \lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{G}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{G}_{n-k}^{[m-1,\beta]}(y, b, c; \lambda), \tag{2.16}$$

$$\mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x + y, b, c; \lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{G}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) (y \log c)^{n-k}. \tag{2.17}$$

*Proof.* Considering the generating function (2.4) and comparing the coefficients of  $t^n/n!$  in the both sides of the above equation, we arrive at (2.17). Proof of (2.18) is similar. □

**Theorem 2.9.** *The generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials  $\mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  satisfy the following recurrence relation:*

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x + 1, b, c; \lambda) + \mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \\ = 2n \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} \mathfrak{G}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{G}_{n-1-k}^{(-1)}(0; \lambda; 1, c, a), \end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

where  $\mathfrak{G}_{n-1-k}^{(-1)}(0; \lambda; 1, c, a)$  are the generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials defined by (1.13).

*Proof.* Considering the expression  $\lambda \mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x + 1, b, c; \lambda) + \mathfrak{G}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  and using the generating functions (2.4) and (1.13), (2.19) follows easily. □

**Remark 2.10.** Putting  $m = 1$  and  $b = c = e$  in (2.19) and with the help of (2.6), we find

$$\lambda \mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x + 1; \lambda) + \mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) = 2n \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} \mathfrak{G}_k^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) \mathfrak{G}_{n-1-k}^{(-1)}(0; \lambda). \tag{2.19}$$

Using the well-known result (see [11])

$$\mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha+\beta)}(x+y; \lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{G}_k^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) \mathfrak{G}_{n-k}^{(\beta)}(y; \lambda), \quad (2.20)$$

(2.20) becomes the familiar relation for the generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials (see [11]):

$$\lambda \mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x+1; \lambda) + \mathfrak{G}_n^{(\alpha)}(x; \lambda) = 2n \mathfrak{G}_{n-1}^{(\alpha-1)}(x; \lambda). \quad (2.21)$$

### 3. An Addition Theorem for the New Class of Generalized Apostol-Euler Polynomials

In this section, we establish a new addition theorem for the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials. This new formula is based on a result due to Srivastava et al. [24].

The next theorem has been invented by Srivastava et al. [24]. However, the theorem is given without proof (see [24, pages 438–440]).

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $B(z)$  and  $z^{-1}C(z)$  be arbitrary functions which are analytic in the neighborhood of the origin, and assume (for sake of simplicity) that*

$$B(0) = C'(0) = 1. \quad (3.1)$$

Define the sequence of functions  $\{f_n^{(\alpha)}(x)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  by means of

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{z^n}{n!} = [B(z)]^\alpha \exp(xC(z)), \quad (3.2)$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $x$  are arbitrary complex numbers independent of  $z$ . Then, for arbitrary parameters  $\sigma$  and  $\gamma$ ,

$$f_n^{(\alpha+\sigma\gamma)}(x+\gamma y) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\gamma+n}{\gamma+k} \binom{n}{k} f_k^{(\alpha-\sigma k)}(x-ky) f_{n-k}^{(\sigma k+\sigma\gamma)}(ky+\gamma y), \quad (3.3)$$

provided that  $\operatorname{Re}(\gamma) > 0$ .

*Remark 3.2.* The choice of 1 in the conditions of (3.3) is merely a convenient one. In fact, any nonzero constant values may be assumed for  $B(0)$  and  $C'(0)$ .

Now, applying the last theorem with special choices of functions and parameters furnishes the next very interesting addition formula. This formula is contained in the following corollary.



**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, for arbitrary complex parameters  $\alpha, \sigma, x$  and  $y$ , the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials  $\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x, b, c; \lambda)$  satisfy the addition formula:

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha + \sigma \gamma]}(x + \gamma y, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\gamma + n}{\gamma + k} \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha - \sigma k]}(x - ky, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}^{[m-1, \sigma k + \sigma \gamma]}(ky + \gamma y, b, c; \lambda) \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

provided that  $\text{Re}(\gamma) > 0$ .

*Proof.* Setting  $B(z) = 2^m / (b^t + \sum_{l=0}^{m-1} ((t \log b)^l / l!))$  and  $C(z) = t \log c$  in Theorem 3.1, the result follows. □

Moreover, if we set  $\sigma = 0$  in (3.4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x + \gamma y, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\gamma + n}{\gamma + k} \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x - ky, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}^{[m-1, 0]}(ky + \gamma y, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\gamma + n}{\gamma + k} \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x - ky, b, c; \lambda) (\gamma + k)^{n-k} (y \log c)^{n-k}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

This result (3.5) will be very useful in the next section.

#### 4. Some Analogues of the Srivastava-Pintér Addition Theorem

In this section, we give a generalization of the Srivastava-Pintér addition theorem and an analogue. We end this section by giving two interesting relationships involving the new addition formula (3.5).

**Theorem 4.1.** *The following relationship,*

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x + y, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left[ 2 \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} \mathfrak{E}_j^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_{k-j}^{(-1)}(0; \lambda; 1, c, a) \right] \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}(x; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-k} \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

$(\alpha, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}; n \in \mathbb{N}_0),$

holds between the new class of generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials, the classical Apostol-Euler polynomials defined by (1.4), and the generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials defined by (1.12).

**Table 1:**  $x^n$  expressed in terms of sums of special polynomials or numbers.

No.	Special polynomials or numbers	Series representation for $x^n$
(1)	Hermite polynomials [27, page 194, (4)]	$x^n = \frac{n!}{2^n} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \frac{H_{n-2k}(x)}{k!(n-2k)!}$
(2)	Legendre polynomials [27, page 181, Theorem 65]	$x^n = \frac{n!}{2^n} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \frac{(2n-4k+1)P_{n-2k}(x)}{k!(3/2)_{n-k}}$
(3)	Generalized Laguerre polynomials [27, page 207, (2)]	$x^n = n!(1+\alpha)_n \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k L_k^{(\alpha)}(x)}{(1+\alpha)_k (n-k)!}$
(4)	Gegenbauer polynomials [27, page 283, (36)]	$x^n = \frac{n!}{2^n} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \frac{(\nu+n-2k)C_{n-2k}^\nu(x)}{k!(\nu)_{n+1-k}}$
(5)	Stirling numbers of the second kind [5, page 207, Theorem B]	$x^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{x}{k} k! S(n, k)$
(6)	Bernoulli polynomials [7, page 26]	$x^n = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n+1}{k} B_k(x)$
(7)	Euler polynomials [7, page 30]	$x^n = \frac{1}{2} \left[ E_n(x) + \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} E_k(x) \right]$
(8)	Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials [8, page 634, (29)]	$x^n = \frac{1}{n+1} \left[ \lambda \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \binom{n+1}{k} \mathfrak{B}_k(x; \lambda) - \mathfrak{B}_{n+1}(x; \lambda) \right]$
(9)	Apostol-Euler polynomials [8, page 635, (32)]	$x^n = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \lambda \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k(x; \lambda) + \mathfrak{E}_n(x; \lambda) \right]$
(10)	Generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials [28, page 1325, (2.4)]	$x^n = \frac{1}{2^\beta} \sum_{k=0}^\infty \binom{\beta}{k} \lambda^k \mathfrak{E}_n^{(\beta)}(x+k; \lambda), \beta \in \mathbb{C}$
(11)	Generalized Bernoulli polynomials and Stirling numbers [28, page 1329, (2.16)]	$x^n = \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} \binom{l+j}{j}^{-1} S(l+j, j) B_{n-l}^{(j)}(x), j \in \mathbb{N}_0$
(12)	Generalized Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials and generalized Stirling numbers [28, page 1329, (2.15)]	$x^n = n! \sum_{l=j}^n \frac{j!}{(l+j)!(n-l)!} S(l+j, j; \lambda) \mathfrak{B}_{n-l}^{(j)}(x; \lambda), j \in \mathbb{N}_0$
(13)	Generalized Bernoulli polynomials [29, page 158, (2.6)]	$x^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{k!}{(k+m)!} B_{n-k}^{[m-1]}(x), m \in \mathbb{N}$

*Proof.* First of all, if we substitute the entry (9) for  $x^n$  from Table 1 into the right-hand side of (2.10), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x+y, b, c; \lambda) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-k} \left[ \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}(x; \lambda) + \lambda \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \binom{n-k}{j} \mathfrak{E}_j(x; \lambda) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-k} \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}(x; \lambda) \\
 & \quad + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-k} \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \binom{n-k}{j} \mathfrak{E}_j(x; \lambda),
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

which, upon inverting the order of summation and using the following elementary combinatorial identity:

$$\binom{m}{l} \binom{l}{n} = \binom{m}{n} \binom{m-n}{m-l} \quad (m \geq l \geq n; l, m, n \in \mathbb{N}_0), \tag{4.3}$$

yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x + y, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}(x; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-k} \\ &+ \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \mathfrak{E}_j(x; \lambda) (\log c)^j \sum_{k=0}^{n-j} \binom{n-j}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-j-k}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.4}$$

The innermost sum in (4.4) can be calculated with the help of (2.10) with, of course,

$$x = 1 \quad n \mapsto n - j \quad (0 \leq j \leq n; n, j \in \mathbb{N}_0). \tag{4.5}$$

We thus find from (4.4) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x + y, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}(x; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-k} \\ &+ \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{n-j} \mathfrak{E}_{n-j}^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y + 1, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{E}_j(x; \lambda) (\log c)^j \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left[ \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) + \lambda \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y + 1, b, c; \lambda) \right] \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}(x; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-k} \end{aligned} \tag{4.6}$$

which, with the relation (2.11), leads us to the relationship (4.7) asserted by Theorem 4.1.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2.** *The following relationship,*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x + y, b, c; \lambda) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_{n-k}(x; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-k} \\ &\cdot \left[ 2k \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \binom{k-1}{j} \mathfrak{G}_j^{[m-1, \alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) \mathfrak{G}_{k-1-j}^{(-1)}(0; \lambda; 1, c, a) \right] \end{aligned} \tag{4.7}$$

$(\alpha, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}; n \in \mathbb{N}_0),$

holds between the new class of generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials, the classical Apostol-Euler polynomials defined by (1.4), and the generalized Apostol-Genocchi polynomials defined by (1.13).

Making use of Table 1 that contains a list of series representation for  $x^n$  in terms of special polynomials or numbers, we can find some analogues of the Srivastava-Pintér addition theorem. Let us give an example of such formula.

**Theorem 4.3.** *The following relationship,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x+y, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(y, b, c; \lambda) (\log c)^{n-k} \frac{(n-k)!}{2^{(n-k)}} \sum_{j=0}^{[(n-k)/2]} \frac{H_{n-k-2j}(x)}{j!(n-k-2j)!}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

holds between the new class of generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials and the Hermite polynomials defined by

$$e^{(2xt-t^2)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} H_n(x) t^n. \quad (4.9)$$

*Proof.* We derived the Proof from the addition theorem (2.10) and entry 1.  $\square$

We end this paper by giving two special cases of the addition theorem (3.4) involving the new class of generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials. These are contained in the two next theorems.

**Theorem 4.4.** *The following relationship,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x+\gamma y, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\gamma+n}{\gamma+k} \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1,\alpha]}(x-ky, b, c; \lambda) (\gamma+k)^{n-k} (\log c)^{n-k} \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \binom{y}{j} j! S(n-k, j), \end{aligned} \quad (4.10)$$

holds between the new class of generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials and the Stirling numbers of the second kind that could be computed by the formula [30, page 58, (1.5)]

$$S(n, k) = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^{k-j} \binom{k}{j} j^n. \quad (4.11)$$

*Proof.* We derived the Proof from the addition theorem (3.5) and entry 5.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.5.** *The following relationship,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathfrak{E}_n^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x + \gamma y, b, c; \lambda) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\gamma + n}{\gamma + k} \binom{n}{k} \mathfrak{E}_k^{[m-1, \alpha]}(x - ky, b, c; \lambda) (\gamma + k)^{n-k} (\log c)^{n-k} \\ & \cdot (n-k)! \sum_{l=j}^{n-k} \frac{j!}{(l+j)!(n-k-l)!} S(l+j, j; \lambda) \mathfrak{B}_{n-k-l}^{(j)}(y; \lambda) \quad (j \in \mathbb{N}_0), \end{aligned} \quad (4.12)$$

holds between the new class of generalized Apostol-Euler polynomials and the classical Apostol-Bernoulli polynomials and the generalized Stirling numbers.

*Proof.* We derived the Proof from the addition theorem (3.5) and entry 12.  $\square$

It could be interesting to apply the addition formula (3.3) to other family of polynomials in conjunction with series representation involving some special functions for  $x^n$  in order to derive some analogues of the Srivastava-Pintér addition theorem.

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