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# Barnes-type Narumi polynomials

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### Abstract

In this paper, we study the Barnes-type Narumi polynomials with umbral calculus viewpoint. From our study, we derive various identities of the Barnes-type Narumi polynomials.

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### 1 Introduction

As is well known, the Narumi polynomials of order  $\alpha$  are defined by the generating function to be

$$\left(\frac{t}{\log(1+t)}\right)^\alpha (1+t)^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N_n^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} \quad (\text{see [1]}). \tag{1}$$

Let  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . We consider the polynomials  $N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r)$  and  $\hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r)$ , respectively, called the Barnes-type Narumi polynomials of the first kind and those of the second kind and respectively given by

$$\prod_{j=1}^r \left(\frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)}\right) (1+t)^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \frac{t^n}{n!} \tag{2}$$

and

$$\prod_{j=1}^r \left(\frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)(1+t)^{a_j}}\right) (1+t)^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \tag{3}$$

where  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r \neq 0$ .

When  $x = 0$ ,

$$N_n(a_1, \dots, a_r) = N_n(0|a_1, \dots, a_r)$$

and

$$\hat{N}_n(a_1, \dots, a_r) = \hat{N}_n(0|a_1, \dots, a_r)$$

are respectively called the Barnes-type Narumi numbers of the first kind and those of the second kind.

Note that

$$N_n(x|\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_r) = N_n^{(r)}(x),$$

$$\hat{N}_n(x|\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_r) = \hat{N}_n^{(r)}(x)$$

and

$$\hat{N}_n(x|\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_r) = N_n^{(r)}(x - r).$$

In the previous paper [2],  $N_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$  was denoted by  $N_n^{(-\alpha)}$  and called the Narumi polynomial of order  $\alpha$ .

The Bernoulli polynomials are defined by the generating function to be

$$\frac{t}{e^t - 1} e^{xt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} \quad (\text{see [3-6]}). \tag{4}$$

When  $x = 0$ ,  $B_n = B_n(0)$  are called the Bernoulli numbers. In [7], it is known that the Cauchy numbers are given by

$$\frac{t}{\log(1 + t)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n \frac{t^n}{n!}. \tag{5}$$

It is well known that the Stirling number of the first kind is given by

$$(x)_n = x(x - 1) \cdots (x - n + 1) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} S_1(n, l) x^l \quad (n \geq 0) \quad (\text{see [1, 2, 7-11]}). \tag{6}$$

From (6), we have

$$(\log(1 + t))^n = n! \sum_{l=n}^{\infty} S_1(l, n) \frac{t^l}{l!} \quad (n \geq 0). \tag{7}$$

Let  $\mathbb{C}$  be the complex number field and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the set of all formal power series in the variable  $t$ :

$$\mathcal{F} = \left\{ f(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \frac{t^k}{k!} \mid a_k \in \mathbb{C} \right\}.$$

Let  $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{C}[x]$  and let  $\mathbb{P}^*$  be the vector space of all linear functionals on  $\mathbb{P}$ .  $\langle L|p(x) \rangle$  denotes the action of the linear functional  $L$  on  $p(x)$  which satisfies  $\langle L + M|p(x) \rangle = \langle L|p(x) \rangle + \langle M|p(x) \rangle$ , and  $\langle cL|p(x) \rangle = c\langle L|p(x) \rangle$ , where  $c$  is a complex constant. The linear functional  $\langle f(t)|\cdot \rangle$  on  $\mathbb{P}$  is defined by  $\langle f(t)|x^n \rangle = a_n$  ( $n \geq 0$ ), where  $f(t) \in \mathcal{F}$ . Thus, we note that

$$\langle t^k|x^n \rangle = n! \delta_{n,k} \quad (n, k \geq 0), \tag{8}$$

where  $\delta_{n,k}$  is the Kronecker symbol (see [12-18]).

For  $f_L(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\langle L|x^k \rangle}{k!} t^k$ , we have  $\langle f_L(t)|x^n \rangle = \langle L|x^n \rangle$ . So, the map  $L \mapsto f_L(t)$  is a vector space isomorphism from  $\mathbb{P}^*$  onto  $\mathcal{F}$ . Henceforth,  $\mathcal{F}$  denotes both the algebra of formal power series in  $t$  and the vector space of all linear functionals on  $\mathbb{P}$ , and so an element  $f(t)$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  will be thought of as both a formal power series and a linear functional. We call  $\mathcal{F}$  the umbral algebra. The order  $o(f(t))$  of a power series  $f(t) \neq 0$  is the smallest integer for which the coefficient of  $t^k$  does not vanish. If  $o(f(t)) = 1$ , then  $f(t)$  is called a delta series; if  $o(f(t)) = 0$ , then  $g(t)$  is called an invertible series. Let  $f(t), g(t) \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $o(f(t)) = 1$  and  $o(g(t)) = 0$ . Then there exists a unique sequence  $s_n(x)$  ( $\deg s_n(x) = n$ ) such that  $\langle g(t)f(t)^k | s_n(x) \rangle = n! \delta_{n, k}$  for  $n, k \geq 0$ . The sequence  $s_n(x)$  is called the Sheffer sequence for  $(g(t), f(t))$  which is denoted by  $s_n(x) \sim (g(t), f(t))$ .

For  $f(t), g(t) \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $p(x) \in \mathbb{P}$ , we have

$$\langle f(t)g(t) | p(x) \rangle = \langle f(t) | g(t)p(x) \rangle = \langle g(t) | f(t)p(x) \rangle \tag{9}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \langle f(t) | x^k \rangle \frac{t^k}{k!}, \\ p(x) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \langle t^k | p(x) \rangle \frac{x^k}{k!}. \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

From (10), we can derive the following equation (11):

$$t^k p(x) = p^{(k)}(x) = \frac{d^k p(x)}{dx^k}, \quad e^{yt} p(x) = p(x+y) \quad (\text{see [1]}). \tag{11}$$

Let  $s_n(x) \sim (g(t), f(t))$ . Then the following will be used:

$$\frac{ds_n(x)}{dx} = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \binom{n}{l} \langle \bar{f}(t) | x^{n-l} \rangle s_l(x), \tag{12}$$

where  $\bar{f}(t)$  is the compositional inverse of  $f(t)$  with  $\bar{f}(f(t)) = f(\bar{f}(t)) = t$ ,

$$\frac{1}{g(\bar{f}(t))} e^{x\bar{f}(t)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{C}, \tag{13}$$

$$f(t)s_n(x) = ns_{n-1}(x) \quad (n \geq 1), \quad s_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{\langle g(\bar{f}(t))^{-1} \bar{f}(t)^j | x^n \rangle}{j!} x^j, \tag{14}$$

$$s_n(x+y) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} s_j(x) p_{n-j}(y), \quad \text{where } p_n(x) = g(t)s_n(x), \tag{15}$$

$$\langle f(t) | xp(x) \rangle = \langle \partial_t f(t) | p(x) \rangle, \quad \text{where } \partial_t f(t) = \frac{df(t)}{dt} \tag{16}$$

and

$$s_{n+1}(x) = \left( x - \frac{g'(t)}{g(t)} \right) \frac{1}{f'(t)} s_n(x) \quad (n \geq 0) \quad (\text{see [1, 19]}). \tag{17}$$

Let us assume that  $s_n(x) \sim (g(t), f(t))$  and  $r_n(x) \sim (h(t), l(t))$ . Then we have

$$s_n(x) = \sum_{m=0}^n c_{n,m} r_m(x) \quad (n \geq 0), \tag{18}$$

where

$$c_{n,m} = \frac{1}{m!} \left\langle \frac{h(\bar{f}(t))}{g(\bar{f}(t))} l(\bar{f}(t))^m \middle| x^n \right\rangle \quad (\text{see [1, 5]}). \tag{19}$$

From (2), (3) and (13), we note that

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \sim \left( \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{t}{e^{a_j t} - 1} \right), e^t - 1 \right) \tag{20}$$

and

$$\hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \sim \left( \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{te^{a_j t}}{e^{a_j t} - 1} \right), e^t - 1 \right). \tag{21}$$

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## 2 Barnes-type Narumi polynomials

From (21), we note that

$$\prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{t}{e^{a_j t} - 1} \right) N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \sim (1, e^t - 1) \tag{22}$$

and

$$(x)_n \sim (1, e^t - 1). \tag{23}$$

Thus, by (22) and (23), we get

$$\begin{aligned} N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{e^{a_j t} - 1}{t} \right) (x)_n \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n S_1(n, m) \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{e^{a_j t} - 1}{t} \right) x^m. \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{e^{a_j t} - 1}{t} \right) &= \left( \sum_{l_1=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_1^{l_1+1}}{(l_1+1)!} t^{l_1} \right) \times \dots \times \left( \sum_{l_r=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_r^{l_r+1}}{(l_r+1)!} t^{l_r} \right) \\ &= \sum_{l_1, \dots, l_r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=i} \frac{a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1}}{(l_1+1)! \dots (l_r+1)!} t^i. \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

From (24) and (25), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} S_1(n, m) \sum_{i=0}^m \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=i} \frac{a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1}}{(l_1+1)! \dots (l_r+1)!} t^i x^m \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^n S_1(n, m) \sum_{i=0}^m \frac{i!}{(i+r)!} \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=i} \binom{i+r}{l_1+1, \dots, l_r+1} \binom{m}{i} \\
 &\quad \times a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1} x^{m-i} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{m=i}^n \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=m-i} S_1(n, m) \frac{(m-i)!}{(m-i+r)!} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \binom{m-i+r}{l_1+1, \dots, l_r+1} \binom{m}{i} a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1} \right\} x^i. \tag{26}
 \end{aligned}$$

By (21), we see that

$$\prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{te^{a_j t}}{e^{a_j t} - 1} \right) \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \sim (1, e^t - 1), \tag{27}$$

and we recall (23).

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{e^{a_j t} - 1}{te^{a_j t}} \right) (x)_n = e^{-\sum_{j=1}^r a_j t} \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{e^{a_j t} - 1}{t} \right) (x)_n \\
 &= e^{-\sum_{j=1}^r a_j t} N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{m=i}^n \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=m-i} S_1(n, m) \frac{(m-i)!}{(m-i+r)!} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \binom{m-i+r}{l_1+1, \dots, l_r+1} \binom{m}{i} a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1} \right\} e^{-\sum_{j=1}^r a_j t} x^i \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{m=i}^n \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=m-i} S_1(n, m) \frac{(m-i)!}{(m-i+r)!} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \binom{m-i+r}{l_1+1, \dots, l_r+1} \binom{m}{i} a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1} \right\} \left( x - \sum_{j=1}^r a_j \right)^i \tag{28}
 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{e^{a_j t} - 1}{te^{a_j t}} \right) (x)_n = \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{e^{-a_j t} - 1}{-t} \right) (x)_n \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^n S_1(n, m) \sum_{i=0}^m (-1)^i \frac{i!}{(i+r)!} \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=i} \binom{i+r}{l_1+1, \dots, l_r+1} \binom{m}{i} a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1} x^{m-i}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{m=i}^n \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=m-i} (-1)^{m-i} S_1(n, m) \frac{(m-i)!}{(m-i+r)!} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \binom{m-i+r}{l_1+1, \dots, l_r+1} \binom{m}{i} a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1} \right\} x^i. \tag{29}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (26), (28) and (29), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 1** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{m=i}^n \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=m-i} S_1(n, m) \frac{(m-i)!}{(m-i+r)!} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \binom{m-i+r}{l_1+1, \dots, l_r+1} \binom{m}{i} a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1} \right\} x^i
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{m=i}^n \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=m-i} S_1(n, m) \frac{(m-i)!}{(m-i+r)!} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \binom{m-i+r}{l_1+1, \dots, l_r+1} \binom{m}{i} a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1} \right\} \left( x - \sum_{j=1}^r a_j \right)^i \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{m=i}^n \sum_{l_1+\dots+l_r=m-i} (-1)^{m-i} S_1(n, m) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \frac{(m-i)!}{(m-i+r)!} \binom{m-i+r}{l_1+1, \dots, l_r+1} \binom{m}{j} a_1^{l_1+1} \dots a_r^{l_r+1} \right\} x^i.
 \end{aligned}$$

From (14), we can derive the following equation (30):

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{1}{j!} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^j \middle| x^n \right\rangle x^j, \tag{30}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^j \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\
 &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \middle| (\log(1+t))^j x^n \right\rangle \\
 &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \middle| j! \sum_{l=j}^{\infty} S_1(l, j) \frac{t^l}{l!} x^n \right\rangle \\
 &= j! \sum_{l=j}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, j) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r). \tag{31}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by (30) and (31), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{j=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{l=j}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, j) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} x^j.$$

By the same methods as in (28), (29) and (30), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \sum_{j=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{l=j}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, j) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} \left( x - \sum_{i=1}^r a_i \right)^j \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{l=j}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, j) \hat{N}_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} x^j. \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

By (8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} N_n(y|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \left\langle \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} N_i(y|a_1, \dots, a_r) \frac{t^i}{i!} \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^y \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \middle| \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (y)_m \frac{t^m}{m!} x^m \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n (y)_m \binom{n}{m} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \middle| x^{n-m} \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n (y)_m \binom{n}{m} N_{n-m}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{N}_n(y|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \left\langle \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \hat{N}_i(y|a_1, \dots, a_r) \frac{t^i}{i!} \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)(1+t)^{a_j}} \right) (1+t)^y \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)(1+t)^{a_j}} \right) \middle| \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (y)_m \frac{t^m}{m!} x^m \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n (y)_m \binom{n}{m} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)(1+t)^{a_j}} \right) \middle| x^{n-m} \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n}{m} (y)_m \hat{N}_{n-m}(a_1, \dots, a_r). \end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

Therefore, by (33) and (34), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 3** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n}{m} N_{n-m}(a_1, \dots, a_r)(x)_m$$

and

$$\hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n}{m} \hat{N}_{n-m}(a_1, \dots, a_r)(x)_m.$$

From (15), we note that

$$N_n(x + y|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} N_j(x|a_1, \dots, a_r)(y)_{n-j} \tag{35}$$

and

$$\hat{N}_n(x + y|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} \hat{N}_j(x|a_1, \dots, a_r)(y)_{n-j}. \tag{36}$$

By (14), we get

$$(e^t - 1)N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = nN_{n-1}(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \tag{37}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (e^t - 1)N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= e^t N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) - N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\ &= N_n(x + 1|a_1, \dots, a_r) - N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r). \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

From (37) and (38), we have

$$N_n(x + 1|a_1, \dots, a_r) - N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = nN_{n-1}(x|a_1, \dots, a_r). \tag{39}$$

By the same method as (39), we get

$$\hat{N}_n(x + 1|a_1, \dots, a_r) - \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = n\hat{N}_{n-1}(x|a_1, \dots, a_r). \tag{40}$$

Recall that  $N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \sim (\prod_{j=1}^r (\frac{t}{e^{a_j t} - 1}), e^t - 1)$ .

From (17), we can derive the following equation (41):

$$N_{n+1}(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = xN_n(x - 1|a_1, \dots, a_r) - e^{-t} \frac{g'(t)}{g(t)} N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r). \tag{41}$$

Now, we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{g'(t)}{g(t)} &= (\log g(t))' = \left( r \log t - \sum_{j=1}^r \log(e^{a_j t} - 1) \right)' = \frac{r}{t} - \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{a_j e^{a_j t}}{e^{a_j t} - 1} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{j=1}^r \prod_{i \neq j} (e^{a_i t} - 1) \{e^{a_j t} - 1 - t a_j e^{a_j t}\}}{t \prod_{j=1}^r (e^{a_j t} - 1)}, \end{aligned} \tag{42}$$



where

$$\begin{aligned}
 r - \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{a_j t e^{a_j t}}{e^{a_j t} - 1} &= \frac{\sum_{j=1}^r \prod_{i \neq j} (e^{a_i t} - 1) \{e^{a_j t} - 1 - a_j t e^{a_j t}\}}{\prod_{j=1}^r (e^{a_j t} - 1)} \\
 &= \frac{-\frac{1}{2} (\sum_{j=1}^r a_1 a_2 \cdots a_{j-1} a_j^2 a_{j+1} \cdots a_r) t^{r+1} + \cdots}{(a_1 a_2 \cdots a_r) t^r} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{j=1}^r a_j \right) t + \cdots
 \end{aligned} \tag{43}$$

has at least the order 1.

By (42) and (43), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{g'(t)}{g(t)} N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\
 &= \frac{r - \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{a_j t e^{a_j t}}{e^{a_j t} - 1}}{t} \left( \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{l=i}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, i) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} x^i \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{l=i}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, i) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} \frac{r - \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{a_j t e^{a_j t}}{e^{a_j t} - 1}}{t} x^i \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{l=i}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, i) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} \left( r - \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{a_j t e^{a_j t}}{e^{a_j t} - 1} \right) \frac{x^{i+1}}{i+1} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{1}{i+1} \left\{ \sum_{l=i}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, i) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} \left( r x^{i+1} - \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_m \frac{(-a_j t)^m}{m!} x^{i+1} \right) \\
 &= - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{1}{i+1} \left\{ \sum_{l=i}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, i) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{m=1}^{i+1} (-1)^m \binom{i+1}{m} B_m a_j^m x^{i+1-m} \\
 &= - \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{1}{i+1} \left\{ \sum_{l=i}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, i) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{m=0}^i (-1)^{i+1-m} \binom{i+1}{m} a_j^{i+1-m} B_{i+1-m} x^m.
 \end{aligned} \tag{44}$$

Therefore, by (41) and (44), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 4** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &N_{n+1}(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\
 &= x N_n(x-1|a_1, \dots, a_r) + \sum_{m=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{i=m}^n \sum_{l=i}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{1}{i+1} \binom{n}{l} \binom{i+1}{m} S_1(l, i) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times B_{i+1-m} (-a_j)^{i+1-m} N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} (x-1)^m.
 \end{aligned}$$

By the same method as the proof of Theorem 4, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{N}_{n+1}(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \left(x - \sum_{j=1}^r a_j\right) \hat{N}_n(x-1|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\ &\quad + \sum_{m=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{i=m}^n \sum_{l=i}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{1}{i+1} \binom{n}{l} \binom{i+1}{m} S_1(l, i) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times B_{i+1-m}(-a_j)^{i+1-m} \hat{N}_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} (x-1)^m. \end{aligned} \tag{45}$$

From (12) and (20), we can derive the following equation (46):

$$\langle \bar{f}(t) | x^{n-l} \rangle = \langle \log(1+t) | x^{n-l} \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m} t^m \middle| x^{n-l} \right\rangle = (-1)^{n-l-1} (n-l-1)!. \tag{46}$$

Thus, by (46), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \binom{n}{l} (-1)^{n-l-1} (n-l-1)! N_l(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\ &= n! \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \frac{(-1)^{n-l-1}}{l!(n-l)} N_l(x|a_1, \dots, a_r). \end{aligned} \tag{47}$$

By the same method as (47), we get

$$\frac{d}{dx} \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = n! \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \frac{(-1)^{n-l-1}}{l!(n-l)} \hat{N}_l(x|a_1, \dots, a_r). \tag{48}$$

From (8), we note that, for  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} N_n(y|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \left\langle \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} N_i(y|a_1, \dots, a_r) \frac{t^i}{i!} \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^y \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \partial_t \left( \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^y \right) \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\partial_t (1+t)^y) \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\ &\quad + \left\langle \left( \partial_t \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \right) (1+t)^y \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\ &= y N_{n-1}(y-1|a_1, \dots, a_r) + \left\langle \left( \partial_t \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \right) (1+t)^y \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle. \end{aligned} \tag{49}$$

Now, we observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \partial_t \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^r \prod_{i \neq j} \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \frac{a_j(1+t)^{a_j-1} \log(1+t) - ((1+t)^{a_j} - 1) \frac{1}{1+t}}{(\log(1+t))^2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{1+t} \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \sum_{j=1}^r \left\{ \frac{a_j(1+t)^{a_j}}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} - \frac{1}{\log(1+t)} \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{1+t} \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \frac{\sum_{j=1}^r \left\{ \frac{a_j t (1+t)^{a_j}}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} - \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right\}}{t}, \tag{50}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\sum_{j=1}^r \left\{ \frac{a_j t (1+t)^{a_j}}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} - \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right\} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{j=1}^r a_j \right) t + \dots \tag{51}$$

is a series with order greater than or equal to 1.

By (50) and (51), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\langle \left( \partial_t \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \right) (1+t)^y \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\
 &= \left\langle \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \frac{(1+t)^y}{1+t} \middle| \frac{\sum_{j=1}^r \left\{ \frac{a_j t (1+t)^{a_j}}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} - \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right\}}{t} x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \left\langle \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{y-1} \middle| \sum_{j=1}^r \left\{ \frac{a_j t (1+t)^{a_j}}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} - \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right\} x^n \right\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^r a_j \left[ \frac{\log(1+t)}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{y+a_j-1} \middle| \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} x^n \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - r \left[ \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{y-1} \middle| \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} x^n \right] \right\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^r a_j \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} C_l \left\langle \frac{\log(1+t)}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{y+a_j-1} \middle| x^{n-l} \right\rangle \\
 &\quad - \frac{r}{n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} C_l \left\langle \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{y-1} \middle| x^{n-l} \right\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} a_j C_l N_{n-l}(y+a_j-1 | a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_j, \dots, a_r) \\
 &\quad - \frac{r}{n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} C_l N_{n-l}(y-1 | a_1, \dots, a_r), \tag{52}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\hat{a}_j$  means that  $a_j$  is omitted.

Therefore, by (49) and (52), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 5** For  $n \geq 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= xN_{n-1}(x-1|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} a_j C_l N_{n-l}(x+a_j-1|a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_j, \dots, a_r) \\ &\quad - \frac{r}{n} \sum_{l=0}^r \binom{n}{l} C_l N_{n-l}(x-1|a_1, \dots, a_r), \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_n$  are the Cauchy numbers with the generating function given by

$$\frac{t}{\log(1+t)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

By the same method as the proof of Theorem 5, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \left(x - \sum_{j=1}^r a_j\right) \hat{N}_{n-1}(x-1|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\ &\quad - \frac{r}{n} \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} C_l \hat{N}_{n-l}(x-1|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{l=0}^n \binom{n}{l} a_j C_l \hat{N}_{n-l}(x-1|a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_j, \dots, a_r). \end{aligned} \tag{53}$$

Now we compute the following formula (54) in two different ways:

$$\left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^m \middle| x^n \right\rangle. \tag{54}$$

On the one hand,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^m \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \middle| m! \sum_{l=m}^{\infty} S_1(l, m) \frac{t^l}{l!} x^n \right\rangle \\ &= m! \sum_{l=m}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, m) \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \middle| x^{n-l} \right\rangle \\ &= m! \sum_{l=m}^n \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, m) N_{n-l}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \\ &= m! \sum_{l=0}^{n-m} \binom{n}{l} S_1(n-l, m) N_l(a_1, \dots, a_r). \end{aligned} \tag{55}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^m \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\
 &= \left\langle \partial_t \left( \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^m \right) \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\
 &= \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\partial_t ((\log(1+t))^m)) \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\
 & \quad + \left\langle \left( \partial_t \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \right) (\log(1+t))^m \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle. \tag{56}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\partial_t ((\log(1+t))^m)) \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\
 &= m \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \frac{1}{1+t} \middle| \log(1+t)^{m-1} x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\
 &= m \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{-1} \middle| (m-1)! \sum_{l=m-1}^{\infty} S_1(l, m-1) \frac{t^l}{l!} x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\
 &= m! \sum_{l=m-1}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{l} S_1(l, m-1) \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{-1} \middle| x^{n-1-l} \right\rangle \\
 &= m! \sum_{l=m-1}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{l} S_1(l, m-1) N_{n-1-l}(-1|a_1, \dots, a_r) \\
 &= m! \sum_{l=0}^{n-m} \binom{n-1}{l} S_1(n-1-l, m-1) N_l(-1|a_1, \dots, a_r) \tag{57}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\langle \left( \partial_t \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \right) (\log(1+t))^m \middle| x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\
 &= \left\langle \left( \partial_t \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \right) \middle| m! \sum_{l=m}^{\infty} S_1(l, m) \frac{t^l}{l!} x^{n-1} \right\rangle \\
 &= m! \sum_{l=m}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{l} S_1(l, m) \\
 & \quad \times \left\langle \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{-1} \middle| \frac{\sum_{j=1}^r \left\{ \frac{a_j t (1+t)^{a_j}}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} - \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right\}}{t} x^{n-1-l} \right\rangle \\
 &= m! \sum_{l=m}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{l} \frac{S_1(l, m)}{n-l}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \left\langle \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{-1} \left| \sum_{j=1}^r \left\{ \frac{a_j t (1+t)^{a_j}}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} - \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right\} x^{n-l} \right\rangle \\
 &= \frac{m!}{n} \sum_{l=m}^{n-1} \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, m) \\
 & \times \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^r a_j \left\langle \frac{\log(1+t)}{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1} \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{a_j-1} \left| \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} x^{n-l} \right\rangle \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. - r \left\langle \prod_{i=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_i} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (1+t)^{-1} \left| \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} x^{n-l} \right\rangle \right\rangle \right\} \\
 &= \frac{m!}{n} \sum_{l=m}^{n-1} \binom{n}{l} S_1(l, m) \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^r a_j \sum_{k=0}^{n-l} C_k \binom{n-l}{k} N_{n-l-k}(a_j - 1 | a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_j, \dots, a_r) \right. \\
 & \left. - r \sum_{k=0}^{n-l} C_k \binom{n-l}{k} N_{n-l-k}(-1 | a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\}. \tag{58}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (55), (56), (57) and (58), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 6** For  $n - 1 \geq m \geq 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{l=0}^{n-m} \binom{n}{l} S_1(n-l, m) N_l(a_1, \dots, a_r) \\
 &= \sum_{l=0}^{n-m} \binom{n-1}{l} S_1(n-l-1, m-1) N_l(-1 | a_1, \dots, a_r) \\
 & \quad + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{l=m}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-l} \sum_{j=1}^r \binom{n}{l} \binom{n-l}{k} a_j C_{n-l-k} S_1(l, m) N_k(a_j - 1 | a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_j, \dots, a_r) \\
 & \quad - \frac{r}{n} \sum_{l=m}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-l} \binom{n}{l} \binom{n-l}{k} C_{n-l-k} S_1(l, m) N_k(-1 | a_1, \dots, a_r).
 \end{aligned}$$

By the same method as the proof of Theorem 6, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{l=0}^{n-m} \binom{n}{l} S_1(n-l, m) \hat{N}_l(a_1, \dots, a_r) \\
 &= \sum_{l=0}^{n-m} \binom{n-1}{l} S_1(n-l-1, m-1) \hat{N}_l(-1 | a_1, \dots, a_r) \\
 & \quad + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{l=m}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-l} \binom{n}{l} \binom{n-l}{k} a_j C_{n-l-k} S_1(l, m) \hat{N}_k(-1 | a_1, \dots, \hat{a}_j, \dots, a_r) \\
 & \quad - \frac{r}{n} \sum_{l=m}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-l} \binom{n}{l} \binom{n-l}{k} C_{n-l-k} S_1(l, m) \hat{N}_k(-1 | a_1, \dots, a_r) \\
 & \quad - \sum_{j=1}^r a_j \sum_{l=0}^{n-m-1} \binom{n-1}{l} S_1(n-l-1, m) \hat{N}_k(-1 | a_1, \dots, a_r), \tag{59}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $n - 1 \geq m \geq 1$ .

Let us consider the following two Sheffer sequences:

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \sim \left( \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{t}{e^{a_j t} - 1} \right), e^t - 1 \right) \tag{60}$$

and (23).

We let

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{m=0}^n C_{n,m}(x)_m. \tag{61}$$

From (18) and (19), we note that

$$\begin{aligned} C_{n,m} &= \frac{1}{m!} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) t^m \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \binom{n}{m} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) \middle| x^{n-m} \right\rangle \\ &= \binom{n}{m} N_{n-m}(a_1, \dots, a_r). \end{aligned} \tag{62}$$

Therefore, by (61) and (62), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 7** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n}{m} N_{n-m}(a_1, \dots, a_r)(x)_m.$$

By the same method as the proof of Theorem 7, we get

$$\hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n}{m} \hat{N}_{n-m}(a_1, \dots, a_r)(x)_m. \tag{63}$$

For

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \sim \left( \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{t}{e^{a_j t} - 1} \right), e^t - 1 \right)$$

and

$$H_n^{(s)}(x|\lambda) \sim \left( \left( \frac{e^t - \lambda}{1 - \lambda} \right)^s, t \right), \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \text{ with } \lambda \neq 1,$$

let us assume that

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{m=0}^n C_{n,m} H_m^{(s)}(x|\lambda), \tag{64}$$

where  $H_m^{(s)}(x|\lambda)$  are the Frobenius-Euler polynomials of order  $s$  defined by the generating function as

$$\left(\frac{1-\lambda}{e^t-\lambda}\right)^s e^{xt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} H_n^{(s)}(x|\lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

From (18) and (19), we note that

$$\begin{aligned} C_{n,m} &= \frac{1}{m!(1-\lambda)^s} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left(\frac{(1+t)^{a_j}-1}{\log(1+t)}\right) (\log(1+t))^m (1-\lambda+t)^s \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m!(1-\lambda)^s} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left(\frac{(1+t)^{a_j}-1}{\log(1+t)}\right) (\log(1+t))^m \left| \sum_{j=0}^{\min\{s,n\}} \binom{s}{j} (1-\lambda)^{s-j} t^j x^n \right. \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m!(1-\lambda)^s} \sum_{j=0}^{n-m} \binom{s}{j} (1-\lambda)^{s-j} (n)_j \\ &\quad \times \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left(\frac{(1+t)^{a_j}-1}{\log(1+t)}\right) (\log(1+t))^m \middle| x^{n-j} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m!(1-\lambda)^s} \sum_{j=0}^{n-m} \binom{s}{j} (1-\lambda)^{s-j} (n)_j m! \\ &\quad \times \sum_{l=0}^{n-j-m} \binom{n-j}{l} S_1(n-j-l, m) N_l(a_1, \dots, a_r) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-m} \sum_{l=0}^{n-m-j} \binom{s}{j} \binom{n-j}{l} \\ &\quad \times (n)_j (1-\lambda)^{-j} S_1(n-j-l, m) N_l(a_1, \dots, a_r). \end{aligned} \tag{65}$$

Therefore, by (64) and (65), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 8** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \sum_{m=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{n-m} \sum_{l=0}^{n-m-j} \binom{s}{j} \binom{n-j}{l} (n)_j (1-\lambda)^{-j} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times S_1(n-j-l, m) N_l(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} H_m^{(s)}(x|\lambda). \end{aligned}$$

By the same method as the proof of Theorem 8, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) &= \sum_{m=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{n-m} \sum_{l=0}^{n-m-j} \binom{s}{j} \binom{n-j}{l} (n)_j \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times (1-\lambda)^{-j} S_1(n-j-l, m) \hat{N}_l(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} H_m^{(s)}(x|\lambda). \end{aligned} \tag{66}$$



Now, we consider the following two Sheffer sequences:

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) \sim \left( \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{t}{e^{a_j t} - 1} \right), e^t - 1 \right) \tag{67}$$

and

$$B_n^{(s)}(x) \sim \left( \left( \frac{e^t - 1}{t} \right)^s, e^t - 1 \right),$$

where  $B_n^{(s)}(x)$  are the Bernoulli polynomials of order  $s$  given by the generating function as

$$\left( \frac{t}{e^t - 1} \right)^s e^{xt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n^{(s)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

Let us assume that

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{m=0}^n C_{n,m} B_m^{(s)}(x). \tag{68}$$

By (18) and (19), we get

$$\begin{aligned} C_{n,m} &= \frac{1}{m!} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^m \left( \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right)^s \middle| x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m!} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^m \left( \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right)^s x^n \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m!} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^m \left| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{C}_k^{(s)} \frac{t^k}{k!} x^n \right. \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m!} \sum_{k=0}^{n-m} \binom{n}{k} \mathbb{C}_k^{(s)} \left\langle \prod_{j=1}^r \left( \frac{(1+t)^{a_j} - 1}{\log(1+t)} \right) (\log(1+t))^m \middle| x^{n-k} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m!} \sum_{k=0}^{n-m} \binom{n}{k} \mathbb{C}_k^{(s)} m! \sum_{l=0}^{n-m-k} \binom{n-k}{l} S_1(n-l-k, m) N_l(a_1, \dots, a_r) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-m} \sum_{l=0}^{n-m-k} \binom{n}{k} \binom{n-k}{l} \mathbb{C}_k^{(s)} S_1(n-k-l, m) N_l(a_1, \dots, a_r), \end{aligned} \tag{69}$$

where  $\mathbb{C}_k^{(s)}$  are the Cauchy numbers of the first kind of order  $s$  defined by the generating function as

$$\left( \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right)^s = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{C}_n^{(s)} \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

Therefore, by (68) and (69), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 9** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$N_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{m=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{n-m} \sum_{l=0}^{n-m-k} \binom{n}{k} \binom{n-k}{l} \mathbb{C}_k^{(s)} \right. \\ \left. \times S_1(n-k-l, m) N_l(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} B_m^{(s)}(x).$$

By the same method as the proof of Theorem 9, we get

$$\hat{N}_n(x|a_1, \dots, a_r) = \sum_{m=0}^n \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{n-m} \sum_{l=0}^{n-m-k} \binom{n}{k} \binom{n-k}{l} \mathbb{C}_k^{(s)} \right. \\ \left. \times S_1(n-k-l, m) \hat{N}_l(a_1, \dots, a_r) \right\} B_m^{(s)}(x).$$

Recently, several authors have studied umbral calculus (see [1–5, 7–18, 20]).

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