

# DAEHEE NUMBERS AND POLYNOMIALS

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ABSTRACT. We consider the Witt-type formula for Daehee numbers and polynomials and investigate some properties of those numbers and polynomials. In particular, Daehee numbers are closely related to higher-order Bernoulli numbers and Bernoulli numbers of the second kind.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

As is known, the  $n$ -th Daehee polynomials are defined by the generating function to be

$$(1.1) \quad \left( \frac{\log(1+t)}{t} \right) (1+t)^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see [5,6,8,9,10,11]}).$$

In the special case,  $x = 0$ ,  $D_n = D_n(0)$  are called the Daehee numbers.

Throughout this paper,  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  and  $\mathbb{C}_p$  will denote the rings of  $p$ -adic integers, the fields of  $p$ -adic numbers and the completion of algebraic closure of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ . The  $p$ -adic norm  $|\cdot|_p$  is normalized by  $|p|_p = 1/p$ . Let  $\text{UD}(\mathbb{Z}_p)$  be the space of uniformly differentiable functions on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . For  $f \in \text{UD}(\mathbb{Z}_p)$ , the  $p$ -adic invariant integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is defined by

$$(1.2) \quad I(f) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} f(x) d\mu_0(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p^n} \sum_{x=0}^{p^n-1} f(x), \quad (\text{see [6]}).$$

Let  $f_1$  be the translation of  $f$  with  $f_1(x) = f(x+1)$ . Then, by (1.2), we get

$$(1.3) \quad I(f_1) = I(f) + f'(0), \quad \text{where } f'(0) = \left. \frac{df(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=0}.$$

As is known, the Stirling number of the first kind is defined by

$$(1.4) \quad (x)_n = x(x-1) \cdots (x-n+1) = \sum_{l=0}^n S_1(n, l) x^l,$$

and the Stirling number of the second kind is given by the generating function to be

$$(1.5) \quad (e^t - 1)^m = m! \sum_{l=m}^{\infty} S_2(l, m) \frac{t^l}{l!}, \quad (\text{see [2,3,4]}).$$

For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$ , the Bernoulli polynomials of order  $\alpha$  are defined by the generating function to be

$$(1.6) \quad \left( \frac{t}{e^t - 1} \right)^\alpha e^{xt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n^{(\alpha)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see [1, 2, 8]}).$$

When  $x = 0$ ,  $B_n^{(\alpha)} = B_n^{(\alpha)}(0)$  are called the Bernoulli numbers of order  $\alpha$ .

In this paper, we give a  $p$ -adic integral representation of Daehee numbers and polynomials, which are called the Witt-type formula for Daehee numbers and polynomials. From our integral representation, we can derive some interesting properties related to Daehee numbers and polynomials.

## 2. WITT-TYPE FORMULA FOR DAEHEE NUMBERS AND POLYNOMIALS

First, we consider the following integral representation associated with falling factorial sequences :

$$(2.1) \quad \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x)_n d\mu_0(x), \quad \text{where } n \in \mathbb{Z}_+ = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}.$$

By (2.1), we get

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x)_n d\mu_0(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{x}{n} t^n d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (1+t)^x d\mu_0(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $t \in \mathbb{C}_p$  with  $|t|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}$ .

For  $t \in \mathbb{C}_p$  with  $|t|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}$ , let us take  $f(x) = (1+t)^x$ . Then, from (1.3), we have

$$(2.3) \quad \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (1+t)^x d\mu_0(x) = \frac{\log(1+t)}{t}.$$

By (1.1) and (2.3), we see that

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \frac{\log(1+t)}{t} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (1+t)^x d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x)_n d\mu_0(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (2.4), we obtain the following theorem.

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

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x)_n d\mu_0(x) = D_n.$$

For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , it is known that

$$(2.5) \quad \left( \frac{t}{\log(1+t)} \right)^n (1+t)^{x-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} B_k^{(k-n+1)}(x) \frac{t^k}{k!}, \quad (\text{see [2,3,4]}).$$

Thus, by (2.5), we get

$$(2.6) \quad D_k = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x)_k d\mu_0(x) = B_k^{(k+2)}(1), \quad (k \geq 0),$$

where  $B_k^{(n)}(x)$  are the Bernoulli polynomials of order  $n$ .

In the special case,  $x = 0$ ,  $B_k^{(n)} = B_k^{(n)}(0)$  are called the  $n$ -th Bernoulli numbers of order  $n$ .

From (2.4), we note that

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} (1+t)^x \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (1+t)^y d\mu_0(y) &= \left( \frac{\log(1+t)}{t} \right) (1+t)^x \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by (2.7), we get

$$(2.8) \quad \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x+y)_n d\mu_0(y) = D_n(x), \quad (n \geq 0),$$

and, from (2.5), we have

$$(2.9) \quad D_n(x) = B_n^{(n+2)}(x+1).$$

Therefore, by (2.8) and (2.9), we obtain the following theorem.

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

$$D_n(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x+y)_n d\mu_0(y),$$

and

$$D_n(x) = B_n^{(n+2)}(x+1).$$

By Theorem 1, we easily see that

$$(2.10) \quad D_n = \sum_{l=0}^n S_1(n, l) B_l,$$

where  $B_l$  are the ordinary Bernoulli numbers.

From Theorem 2, we have

$$(2.11) \quad \begin{aligned} D_n(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x+y)_n d\mu_0(y) \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^n S_1(n, l) B_l(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $B_l(x)$  are the Bernoulli polynomials defined by generating function to be

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

Therefore, by (2.10) and (2.11), we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$D_n(x) = \sum_{l=0}^n S_1(n, l) B_l(x).$$

In (2.4), we have

$$(2.12) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{t}{e^t - 1} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n \frac{1}{n!} (e^t - 1)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n \frac{1}{n!} n! \sum_{m=n}^{\infty} S_2(m, n) \frac{t^m}{m!} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{n=0}^m D_n S_2(m, n) \right) \frac{t^m}{m!} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(2.13) \quad \frac{t}{e^t - 1} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_m \frac{t^m}{m!}.$$

Therefore, by (2.12) and (2.13), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.** For  $m \geq 0$ , we have

$$B_m = \sum_{n=0}^m D_n S_2(m, n).$$

In particular,

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} x^m d\mu_0(x) = \sum_{n=0}^m D_n S_2(m, n).$$

*Remark.* For  $m \geq 0$ , by (2.11), we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x+y)^m d\mu_0(y) = \sum_{n=0}^m D_n(x) S_2(m, n).$$

For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , the rising factorial sequence is defined by

$$(2.14) \quad x^{(n)} = x(x+1) \cdots (x+n-1).$$

Let us define the Daehee numbers of the second kind as follows :

$$(2.15) \quad \widehat{D}_n = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (-x)_n d\mu_0(x), \quad (n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}).$$

By (2.15), we get

$$(2.16) \quad x^{(n)} = (-1)^n (-x)_n = \sum_{l=0}^n S_1(n, l) (-1)^{n-l} x^l.$$

From (2.15) and (2.16), we have

$$(2.17) \quad \begin{aligned} \widehat{D}_n &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (-x)_n d\mu_0(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} x^{(n)} (-1)^n d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^n S_1(n, l) (-1)^l B_l. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (2.17), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$\widehat{D}_n = \sum_{l=0}^n S_1(n, l) (-1)^l B_l.$$

Let us consider the generating function of the Daehee numbers of the second kind as follows :

$$(2.18) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \widehat{D}_n \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (-x)_n d\mu_0(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{-x}{n} t^n d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (1+t)^{-x} d\mu_0(x). \end{aligned}$$

From (1.3), we can derive the following equation :

$$(2.19) \quad \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (1+t)^{-x} d\mu_0(x) = \frac{(1+t) \log(1+t)}{t},$$

where  $|t|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p}}$ .

By (2.18) and (2.19), we get

$$(2.20) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{t} (1+t) \log(1+t) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (1+t)^{-x} d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{D}_n \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

Let us consider the Daehee polynomials of the second kind as follows :

$$(2.21) \quad \frac{(1+t) \log(1+t)}{t} \frac{1}{(1+t)^x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{D}_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

Then, by (2.21), we get

$$(2.22) \quad \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (1+t)^{-x-y} d\mu_0(y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{D}_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

From (2.22), we get

$$(2.23) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{D}_n(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (-x-y)_n d\mu_0(y), \quad (n \geq 0) \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^n (-1)^l S_1(n, l) B_l(x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (2.23), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 6.** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$\hat{D}_n(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (-x-y)_n d\mu_0(y) = \sum_{l=0}^n (-1)^l S_1(n, l) B_l(x).$$

From (2.21) and (2.22), we have

$$(2.24) \quad \begin{aligned} \left( \frac{t}{e^t - 1} \right) e^{(1-x)t} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{D}_n(x) \frac{1}{n!} (e^t - 1)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{D}_n(x) \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{m=n}^{\infty} S_2(m, n) \frac{t^m}{m!} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{n=0}^m \hat{D}_n(x) S_2(m, n) \right) \frac{t^m}{m!}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(2.25) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} e^{-(x+y)t} d\mu_0(y) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{D}_n(x) \frac{(e^t - 1)^n}{n!} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{n=0}^m \hat{D}_n(x) S_2(m, n) \right) \frac{t^m}{m!}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (2.24) and (2.25), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 7.** For  $m \geq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} B_m(1-x) &= (-1)^m \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x+y)^m d\mu_0(y) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^m \hat{D}_n(x) S_2(m, n). \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$B_m(1-x) = (-1)^m B_m(x) = \sum_{n=0}^m \widehat{D}_m(x) S_2(m, n).$$

Remark. By (2.5), (2.20) and (2.21), we see that

$$\widehat{D}_n = B_n^{(n+2)}(2), \quad \widehat{D}_n(x) = B_n^{(n+2)}(2-x).$$

From Theorem 1 and (2.15), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (2.26) \quad (-1)^n \frac{D_n}{n!} &= (-1)^n \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x}{n} d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{-x+n-1}{n} d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n-1}{n-m} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{-x}{m} d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n-1}{n-m} \frac{\widehat{D}_m}{m!} = \sum_{m=1}^n \binom{n-1}{m-1} \frac{\widehat{D}_m}{m!}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (2.27) \quad (-1)^n \frac{\widehat{D}_n}{n!} &= (-1)^n \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{-x}{n} d\mu_0(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x+n-1}{n} d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n-1}{n-m} \int_0^1 \binom{x}{m} d\mu_0(x) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^n \binom{n-1}{m-1} \frac{D_m}{m!} = \sum_{m=1}^n \binom{n-1}{m-1} \frac{D_m}{m!}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (2.26) and (2.27), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 8.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$(-1)^n \frac{D_n}{n!} = \sum_{m=1}^n \binom{n-1}{m-1} \frac{\widehat{D}_m}{m!},$$

and

$$(-1)^n \frac{\widehat{D}_n}{n!} = \sum_{m=1}^n \binom{n-1}{m-1} \frac{D_m}{m!}.$$

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