



## A note on the $p$ -adic gamma function and $q$ -Changhee polynomials

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### Abstract

In the present work, we consider the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral of  $p$ -adic gamma function and the derivative of  $p$ -adic gamma function by using their Mahler expansions. The relationship between the  $p$ -adic gamma function and  $q$ -Changhee numbers is obtained. A new representation is given for the  $p$ -adic Euler constant. Also, we study on the relationship between  $q$ -Changhee polynomials and  $p$ -adic Euler constant using the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral techniques the idea that the  $q$ -Changhee polynomial.

**Keywords:**  $p$ -Adic number,  $p$ -adic gamma function, the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral, Mahler coefficients,  $p$ -adic Euler constant,  $q$ -Changhee Polynomials.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $p$  be a fixed odd prime number. Throughout this paper by  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  and  $\mathbb{C}_p$  we denote the ring of  $p$ -adic integers, the field of  $p$ -adic numbers and the completion of the algebraic closure of  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ , respectively. Let  $q$  be indeterminate with  $|1 - q|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}$ . Recently, the  $q$ -calculus (Quantum Calculus) has a great interest and has been studied by many scientists. Many generalizations of special functions with a  $q$ -parameter recently were obtained using  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  (see, e.g., [1, 8, 9, 11]).

For  $f \in C(\mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p)$ , the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is defined by Kim to be

$$I_{-q}(f) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} f(x) d\mu_{-q}(x) := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{[p^N]_{-q}} \sum_{j=0}^{p^N-1} f(j) q^j (-1)^j, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $[x]_{-q} = \frac{1 - (-q)^x}{1 + q}$  (see [5, 7, 6]). For any  $f \in C(\mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p)$ , by (1.1), the relation

$$q^n I_{-q}(f(x+n)) + (-1)^{n-1} I_{-q}(f(x)) = [2]_q \sum_{j=0}^{p^N-1} f(j) q^j (-1)^{n-1-j}, \quad (1.2)$$

where  $[x]_q = \frac{1 - q^x}{1 - q}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  holds.

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The Changhee numbers and polynomials which are derived umbral calculus are defined by Kim et al. as the generating function to be

$$\frac{2}{t+2} (1+t)^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Ch_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

When  $x = 0$ ,  $Ch_n(0) = Ch_n$  are called Changhee numbers see [10] for a summary. In [11], Kim et al. defined the degenerate Changhee polynomials and in [12], Kim et al. considered  $q$ -Changhee polynomials,  $Ch_{n,q}(x)$ , which are given by the generating function to be

$$\frac{1+q}{q(1+t)+1} (1+t)^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Ch_{n,q}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} \text{ for } |t|_p < p^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}.$$

When  $q = 1$ ,  $Ch_{n,1}(x) = Ch_n(x)$ . When  $x = 0$ ,  $Ch_{n,q}(0) = Ch_{n,q}$  are called  $q$ -Changhee numbers and when  $q = 1$  and  $x = 0$ ,  $Ch_{n,1}(0) = Ch_n$ . Kim also introduced the  $q$ -Changhee numbers of the second kind by

$$\widehat{Ch}_{n,q} = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (-x)_n d\mu_{-q}(x), \quad n \geq 0, \quad (\text{see [12]}),$$

and the  $q$ -Changhee numbers of the second kind by

$$\widehat{Ch}_{n,q}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (-x-y)_n d\mu_{-q}(y), \quad n \geq 0.$$

The generating function for such polynomials is given by

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} \widehat{Ch}_{n,q}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{1+q}{1+q+t} (1+t)^{1-x}. \tag{1.3}$$

In [12], Kim et al. obtained the following theorems.

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $(x)_n = x(x-1) \cdots (x-n+1)$ . For  $n \geq 0$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x)_n d\mu_{-q}(x) = Ch_{n,q}.$$

**Theorem 1.2.** Let  $(x)_n = x(x-1) \cdots (x-n+1)$ . For  $n \geq 0$ , the following relation holds:

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} (x+y)_n d\mu_{-q}(y) = Ch_{n,q}(x).$$

**Theorem 1.3.** For  $n \geq 0$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x}{n} d\mu_{-q}(x) = \left(\frac{-q}{1+q}\right)^n.$$

**Theorem 1.4.** For  $n \geq 0$

$$\widehat{Ch}_{n,q} = (-1)^n \frac{2+q}{(1+q)^n}.$$

**Theorem 1.5.** For  $n \geq 0$

$$\widehat{Ch}_{n,q}(x) = Ch_{n,q}(1-x).$$

Note that  $\binom{x}{n} = \frac{(x)_n}{n!}$ .

p-Adic numbers introduced by the German mathematician Kurt Hensel (1861–1941), are widely used in mathematics: in number theory, algebraic geometry, representation theory, algebraic and arithmetical dynamics, and cryptography. p-Adic numbers have been used in applied fields with successfully applying in superfield theory of p-adic numbers by Vladimirov and Volovich. In addition, p-adic model of the universe, p-adic quantum theory, p-adic string theory such as areas occurred in physics (for detail see [18, 17]).

In 1975, Morita [14] defined the p-adic gamma function  $\Gamma_p$  by the formula

$$\Gamma_p(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow x} (-1)^n \prod_{\substack{1 \leq j < n \\ (p,j)=1}} j,$$

for  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , where  $n$  approaches  $x$  through positive integers. The p-adic gamma function  $\Gamma_p$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  and satisfies the functional relation

$$\Gamma_p(x+1) = \begin{cases} -x\Gamma_p(x), & |x|_p = 1, \\ -\Gamma_p(x), & |x|_p < 1. \end{cases}$$

The p-adic Euler constant  $\gamma_p$  is defined by the formula

$$\gamma_p := -\frac{\Gamma'_p(1)}{\Gamma_p(1)} = \Gamma'_p(1) = -\Gamma'_p(0). \tag{1.4}$$

The p-adic gamma function  $\Gamma_p(x)$  has a great interest and has been studied by Barsky (1981) [2], Diamond (1977) [3], Dwork (1983) [4] and others.

For  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , the symbol  $\binom{x}{n}$  is defined by  $\binom{x}{0} = 1$  and

$$\binom{x}{n} := \frac{x(x-1)\dots(x-n+1)}{n!}, \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

The functions  $x \rightarrow \binom{x}{n}$  ( $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) form an orthonormal base of the space  $C(\mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p)$  with respect the norm  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ . This orthonormal base has the following property:

$$\binom{x}{n}' = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \frac{(-1)^{n-j-1}}{n-j} \binom{x}{j}, \quad (\text{see, [16, p.168]}). \tag{1.5}$$

In 1958, Mahler introduced an expansion for continuous functions of a p-adic variable using special polynomials as binomial coefficient polynomial [13]. It means that for any  $f \in C(\mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p)$ , there exist unique elements  $a_0, a_1, \dots$  of  $\mathbb{C}_p$  such that

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \binom{x}{n} \quad (x \in \mathbb{Z}_p).$$

The base  $\{\binom{x}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is called *Mahler base* of the space  $C(\mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p)$ , and the elements  $\{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  in  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \binom{x}{n}$  are called Mahler coefficients of  $f \in C(\mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p)$ .

The Mahler expansion of the p-adic gamma function  $\Gamma_p$  and its Mahler coefficients are determined by the following proposition.

**Proposition 1.6** ([15, 16]). *Let*

$$\Gamma_p(x+1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \binom{x}{n}, \quad (x \in \mathbb{Z}_p),$$

and

$$\exp\left(x + \frac{x^p}{p}\right) \frac{1-x^p}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n, \quad (x \in E).$$

Then,  $a_n = (-1)^{n+1} n! b_n$  for all  $n$ , where  $E$  is the region of convergence of the power series  $\sum \frac{x^n}{n!}$ .

## 2. Main results

In this paper, we consider  $p$ -adic gamma function with the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral. We derive the relationship between  $q$ -Changee polynomials and  $p$ -adic gamma function. We obtain the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral of  $p$ -adic gamma function and the derivative of  $p$ -adic gamma function. For the  $p$ -adic Euler constant. A new representation is obtained. Also, we study on the Changhee polynomials and  $p$ -adic Euler constant.

In what follows, we indicate the fermionic  $p$ -adic  $q$ -integral with Mahler coefficients of  $p$ -adic gamma function.

**Theorem 2.1.** For  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , the following equality holds:

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma_p(x+1) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \frac{Ch_{n,q}}{n!},$$

where  $a_n$  is defined by Proposition 1.6.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . We have

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma_p(x+1) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \binom{x}{n} d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x}{n} d\mu_{-q}(x). \tag{2.1}$$

Note that  $\binom{x}{n} = \frac{(x)_n}{n!}$ . From Theorem 1.1, we get

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma_p(x+1) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n!} Ch_{n,q}. \quad \square$$

Using Theorem 1.3 we can rewrite (2.1) and we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.2.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma_p(x+1) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \left(\frac{-q}{1+q}\right)^n,$$

where  $a_n$  is defined by Proposition 1.6.

Under condition of Proposition 1.6 and using (1.5), derivative of  $p$ -adic gamma functions,  $\Gamma'_p$  is obtained as

$$\Gamma'_p(x+1) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j-1}}{n-j} \binom{x}{j}, \tag{2.2}$$

where  $a_n$  is defined by Proposition 1.6.

**Theorem 2.3.** The relationship between the  $q$ -Changhee polynomials and the  $p$ -adic Euler constant is given by

$$\gamma_p = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j} (qCh_{j,q} + Ch_{j,q}(-1))}{(n-j)j! [2]_q}.$$

*Proof.* When  $f(x) = \Gamma'_p(x)$  and  $n = 1$  in (1.2), we get

$$q \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma'_p(x+1) d\mu_{-q}(x) + \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma'_p(x) d\mu_{-q}(x) = [2]_q \Gamma'_p(0).$$

From (2.2) and (1.4), we can write

$$q \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j-1}}{n-j} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x}{j} d\mu_{-q}(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j-1}}{n-j} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x-1}{j} d\mu_{-q}(x) = -[2]_q \gamma_p. \quad (2.3)$$

Using Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2 we can rewrite (2.3) as

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j-1}}{(n-j)j!} (q\text{Ch}_{j,q} + \text{Ch}_{j,q}(-1)) = -[2]_q \gamma_p. \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.4.** *The p-adic Euler constant has the expansion*

$$\gamma_p = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^n}{(n-j)[2]_q} \left( \frac{q^{j+1}}{(1+q)^j} + \sum_{i=0}^j \frac{1}{(1+q)^i (j-i)!} \right),$$

where  $a_n$  is defined by Proposition 1.6.

*Proof.* Firstly, we compute  $\text{Ch}_{n,q}(-1)$ . From Theorem 1.5, we have  $\widehat{\text{Ch}}_{n,q}(2) = \text{Ch}_{n,q}(1-2)$ . From (1.3)

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} \widehat{\text{Ch}}_{n,q}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{1+q}{1+q+t} \sum_{n \geq 0} \binom{1-x}{n} t^n = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^n t^n}{(1+q)^n} \sum_{n \geq 0} \binom{1-x}{n} t^n,$$

or

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} \widehat{\text{Ch}}_{n,q}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n \geq 0} \sum_{i=0}^n \left( \frac{-1}{1+q} \right)^i \binom{1-x}{n-i} t^n.$$

Then, we have

$$\widehat{\text{Ch}}_{n,q}(x) = n! \sum_{i=0}^n \left( \frac{-1}{1+q} \right)^i \binom{1-x}{n-i}.$$

Note that  $x^n = (-1)^n (-x)_{n-1}$ .

$$\widehat{\text{Ch}}_{n,q}(x) = n! \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i}{(1+q)^i} \frac{(1-x)_{n-i}}{(n-i)!},$$

or

$$\widehat{\text{Ch}}_{n,q}(x) = n! \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i}{(1+q)^i} \frac{(-1+x)^{n-i} (-1)^{n-i}}{(n-i)!},$$

or

$$\text{Ch}_{n,q}(1-x) = \widehat{\text{Ch}}_{n,q}(x) = n! \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^n}{(1+q)^i} \frac{(-1+x)^{n-i}}{(n-i)!}. \quad (2.4)$$

When  $x = 2$  in (2.4) we have  $\text{Ch}_{n,q}(-1) = n! \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^n}{(1+q)^i (n-i)!}$ . Using Theorem 1.3, Theorem 1.1 and value of  $\text{Ch}_{n,q}(-1)$  we can rewrite Theorem 2.3 as the following

$$\gamma_p = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j}}{(n-j)j!} \left( q \left( \frac{-q}{1+q} \right)^j j! + j! \sum_{i=0}^j \frac{(-1)^i}{(1+q)^i (j-i)!} \right) \frac{1}{[2]_q}.$$

The proof of theorem is completed with a little calculations. □

**Theorem 2.5.** *The following relation holds*

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma_p(x+s) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \frac{Ch_{n,q}(s-1)}{n!},$$

where  $a_n$  is defined by Proposition 1.6.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . We have

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma_p(x+s) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \frac{(x+s-1)_n}{n!} d\mu_{-q}(x).$$

By using Theorem 1.2 we can write

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma_p(x+s) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \frac{Ch_{n,q}(s-1)}{n!}. \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.6.** *For  $x, s \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma'_p(x+s) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j-1} Ch_{j,q}(s-1)}{(n-j)j!}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $x, s \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . From (2.2), we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma'_p(x+s) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j-1}}{n-j} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \binom{x+s-1}{j} d\mu_{-q}(x).$$

By using Theorem 1.2 we can write

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma'_p(x+s) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j-1} Ch_{j,q}(s-1)}{(n-j)j!}. \quad \square$$

In the case  $s = 1$  in Theorem 2.6 we obtain the following conclusion.

**Corollary 2.7.** *For  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , we have*

$$\int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \Gamma'_p(x) d\mu_{-q}(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} a_n \frac{(-1)^{n-j-1} Ch_{j,q}}{(n-j)j!},$$

where  $Ch_{n,q}$  are  $q$ -Changhee numbers.

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