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# A NOTE ON THE TWISTED LERCH TYPE EULER ZETA FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this note, the q-extension of the twisted Lerch Euler zeta functions considered by Jang [Bull. Korean Math. Soc. **47** (2010), no. 6, 1181–1188] is further investigated, and the generalized multiplication theorem for the q-extension of the twisted Lerch Euler zeta functions is given. As applications, some well-known results in the references are deduced as special cases.

## 1. 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  $|p|_p = p^{-v_p(p)} = p^{-1}$ . When one talks of *q*-extension, *q* is variously considered as an indeterminate, a complex number  $q \in \mathbb{C}$  or a *p*-adic number  $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$ . If  $q \in \mathbb{C}$ , one normally assume |q| < 1. If  $q \in \mathbb{C}_p$ , then we normally assume  $|q - 1|_p < p^{\frac{1}{1-p}}$ , so that  $q^x = \exp(x \log q)$  for each  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ . For  $f \in UD(\mathbb{Z}_p, \mathbb{C}_p) = \{f \mid f : \mathbb{Z}_p \to \mathbb{C}_p \text{ is the uniformly differentiable function}\}$ , the *p*-adic *q*-integral (also be called as *q*-Volkenborn integration) is defined by (see [6, 13])

(1.1) 
$$I_q(f) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} f(x) d\mu_q(x) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{[p^N]_q} \sum_{j=0}^{p^N-1} f(j) q^j$$

with  $[x]_q = [x : q] = (1 - q^x)/(1 - q)$ . For some applications of the *p*-adic *q*-integral, we infer to [4, 7, 8, 10, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19].

Recently, based on the work of Kim [11], Jang [5] investigated the twisted q-Euler polynomials  $E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,k)}(x)$  of order k in the variable x in  $\mathbb{C}_p$  given by

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(1.2) 
$$E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,k)}(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdots \int_{\mathbb{Z}_p} [x + x_1 + \dots + x_k]_q^m \xi^{x_1 + \dots + x_k} \\ \times q^{-x_1(m+1) - \dots - x_k(m+k)} d\mu_{-q}(x_1) \cdots d\mu_{-q}(x_k),$$

where k, m are positive integers and  $\xi \in \mathbb{T}_p = \bigcup_{n \ge 1} \mathbb{C}_{p^n}$  is the locally constant space with  $\mathbb{C}_{p^n} = \{\xi \mid \xi^{p^n} = 1\}$  being the cyclic group of order  $p^n$ , and gave several explicit expressions of the twisted q-Euler polynomials of order k by using the p-adic q-integral and some transformation techniques. In particular, he constructed a new complex q-analogue of twisted Lerch type Euler zeta function at negative integers which interpolate the above twisted q-Euler polynomials.

The aim of the present note is to perform a further investigation for the q-extension of the twisted Lerch Euler zeta functions considered by Jang [5]. By using some elementary methods and techniques, we derive the generalized multiplication theorem for the q-extension of the twisted Lerch Euler zeta functions. It turns out that some well-known results, for example, Jang [5], Kim [9], etc., are reobtained.

### 2. The restatement of results

We firstly recall the q-extension of the twisted Lerch Euler zeta functions which is given by (see [5])

(2.1) 
$$\zeta_{q,E,\xi}(s,x) = [2]_q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \xi^n q^{ns}}{[x+n]_q^s},$$

where  $q, s \in \mathbb{C}$  with |q| < 1 and  $\operatorname{Re}(s) > 1$ ,  $\xi \in \mathbb{T}_p$  and x is a positive real number. Obviously, the case  $\xi = 1$  in (2.1) leads to the *q*-extension of Hurwitz's type Euler zeta function due to Kim [11]. Now, let a, b be positive integers and j be a non-negative integer. If substituting bx + bj/a for x in (2.1), we have

(2.2) 
$$\zeta_{q,E,\xi}\left(s, bx + \frac{bj}{a}\right) = [2]_q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n \xi^n q^{ns}}{[bx + bj/a + n]_q^s}$$

It is easy to see that for any complex numbers x and y,  $[xy]_q = [x]_q[y]_{q^x}$ . Hence, in view of replacing q by  $q^a$  and  $\xi$  by  $\xi^a$  in (2.2), we derive

(2.3) 
$$\zeta_{q^{a},E,\xi^{a}}\left(s,bx+\frac{bj}{a}\right) = [2]_{q^{a}}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\frac{(-1)^{n}\xi^{an}q^{ans}}{[bx+bj/a+n]_{q^{a}}^{s}}$$
$$= [2]_{q^{a}}[a]_{q}^{s}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\frac{(-1)^{n}\xi^{an}q^{ans}}{[abx+bj+an]_{q}^{s}}$$

Since for any non-negative integer n and positive integer b, there exist unique non-negative integers r and i such that n = br + i with  $0 \le i \le b - 1$ . So the

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above identity (2.3) can be rewritten as follows

(2.4) 
$$\zeta_{q^a,E,\xi^a}\left(s,bx+\frac{bj}{a}\right) = [2]_{q^a}[a]_q^s \sum_{i=0}^{b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{bn+i}\xi^{a(bn+i)}q^{as(bn+i)}}{[abx+bj+a(bn+i)]_q^s}$$

It follows from (2.4) that

$$(2.5) \quad \frac{[b]_q^s}{[2]_{q^a}} \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} (-1)^j \xi^{bj} q^{bsj} \zeta_{q^a, E, \xi^a} \left(s, bx + \frac{bj}{a}\right) \\ = ([a]_q [b]_q)^s \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} (-1)^j \xi^{bj} q^{bjs} \sum_{i=0}^{b-1} (-1)^i \xi^{ai} q^{ais} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{bn} \xi^{abn} q^{abns}}{[ab(x+n)+ai+bj]_q^s}.$$

In the same way,

$$(2.6) \quad \frac{[a]_q^s}{[2]_{q^b}} \sum_{j=0}^{b-1} (-1)^j \xi^{aj} q^{asj} \zeta_{q^b, E, \xi^b} \left(s, ax + \frac{aj}{b}\right) \\ = ([a]_q [b]_q)^s \sum_{j=0}^{b-1} (-1)^j \xi^{aj} q^{ajs} \sum_{i=0}^{a-1} (-1)^i \xi^{bi} q^{bis} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{an} \xi^{abn} q^{abns}}{[ab(x+n)+bi+aj]_q^s}.$$

Thus, if a and b in (2.5) and (2.6) satisfy  $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$ , then we immediately obtain:

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $s, q \in \mathbb{C}$  with |q| < 1. Then for positive integers a and b with the same parity,

(2.7) 
$$\frac{[b]_q^s}{[2]_{q^a}} \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} (-1)^j \xi^{bj} q^{bsj} \zeta_{q^a, E, \xi^a} \left(s, bx + \frac{bj}{a}\right) \\ = \frac{[a]_q^s}{[2]_{q^b}} \sum_{j=0}^{b-1} (-1)^j \xi^{aj} q^{asj} \zeta_{q^b, E, \xi^b} \left(s, ax + \frac{aj}{b}\right).$$

Next, we discuss some special cases of Theorem 2.1. Setting b = 1 in Theorem 2.1, we have the following distribution formula

(2.8) 
$$\zeta_{q,E,\xi}(s,ax) = \frac{[2]_q}{[2]_{q^a}[a]_q^s} \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} (-1)^j \xi^j q^{sj} \zeta_{q^a,E,\xi^a} \left(s, x + \frac{j}{a}\right).$$

Especially, setting a = 2 in (2.8), we have the duplication formula

(2.9) 
$$\zeta_{q,E,\xi}(s,2x) = \frac{1}{[2]_{q^2}[2]_q^{s-1}} \left( \zeta_{q^2,E,\xi^2}(s,x) - \xi q^s \zeta_{q^2,E,\xi^2}\left(s,x + \frac{1}{2}\right) \right).$$

On the other hand, since the twisted q-Euler polynomials can be expressed in following way (see [5, Theorem 4])

(2.10) 
$$E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,1)}(x) = [2]_q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{-mn} \xi^n [x+n]_q^m,$$

then by (2.1), (2.10) and the analytic continuation of  $\zeta_{q,E,\xi}(s,x)$ , one can easily obtain

(2.11) 
$$E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,1)}(x) = \zeta_{q,E,\xi}(-m,x).$$

In fact, using the relation

(2.12) 
$$[x+n]_q^m = \frac{1}{(1-q)^m} \sum_{i=0}^m \binom{m}{i} (-1)^i q^{(x+n)i},$$

the above identity (2.10) can be reduced in the following way

(2.13) 
$$E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,1)}(x) = \frac{[2]_q}{(1-q)^m} \sum_{i=0}^m \binom{m}{i} (-1)^i \frac{q^{xi}}{1+\xi q^{i-m}},$$

which means the symmetric distribution of the twisted q-Euler polynomials

(2.14) 
$$E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,1)}(x) = (-1)^{m+1} q \xi E_{m,q^{-1},\xi^{-1}}^{(-m,1)}(1-x).$$

Thus, by applying (2.11) to Theorem 2.1, we state:

**Theorem 2.2.** Let a, b, m be positive integers with  $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$ . Then

(2.15) 
$$\frac{[a]_q^m}{[2]_{q^a}} \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} (-1)^j \xi^{bj} q^{-bmj} E_{m,q^a,\xi^a}^{(-m,1)} \left( bx + \frac{bj}{a} \right)$$
$$= \frac{[b]_q^m}{[2]_{q^b}} \sum_{j=0}^{b-1} (-1)^j \xi^{aj} q^{-amj} E_{m,q^b,\xi^b}^{(-m,1)} \left( ax + \frac{aj}{b} \right).$$

It follows that we show some special cases of Theorem 2.2. Setting b = 1 and replacing x by x/a in Theorem 2.2, we have the following multiplication formula of the twisted q-Euler polynomials due to Jang (see [5, Theorem 3])

$$(2.16) \qquad E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,1)}(x) = \frac{[2]_q[a]_q^m}{[2]_{q^a}} \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} (-1)^j \xi^j q^{-mj} E_{m,q^a,\xi^a}^{(-m,1)} \left(\frac{x+j}{a}\right) \quad (2 \nmid a).$$

If multiplying  $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} t^m/m!$  in both sides of (2.10), one can easily derive

(2.17) 
$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,1)}(x) \frac{t^m}{m!} = [2]_q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \xi^n \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} q^{-mn} [x+n]_q^m \frac{t^m}{m!}$$
$$= [2]_q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \xi^n e^{q^{-n} [x+n]_q t}.$$

It follows from (2.17) that

(2.18) 
$$\lim_{q \to 1} E_{m,q,1}^{(-m,1)}(x) = E_m(x),$$

where  $E_n(x)$  denotes the classical Euler polynomials given by (see [1, 2, 3])

(2.19) 
$$\frac{2e^{xt}}{e^t+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!} \quad (|t| < \pi).$$

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Hence, by setting  $\xi = 1$  and letting  $q \to 1$  in Theorem 2.2, we obtain that for positive integers a, b and non-negative integer n, (2.20)

$$a^{n}\sum_{j=0}^{a-1}(-1)^{j}E_{n}\left(bx+\frac{bj}{a}\right) = b^{n}\sum_{j=0}^{b-1}(-1)^{j}E_{n}\left(ax+\frac{aj}{b}\right) \quad (a \equiv b \pmod{2}),$$

which was rediscovered by many authors; see for example [14, 9]. For the generalization of (2.20) in other direction, see [15] for a detail introduction. If substituting x+y for x in (2.17), then by using the relation  $[x+y]_q = [x]_q + q^x[y]_q$  for any complex numbers x and y, we get

(2.21) 
$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,1)}(x+y) \frac{t^m}{m!} = [2]_q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \xi^n e^{q^{-n}[y+n]_q q^x t} e^{q^{-n}[x]_q t}.$$

Putting the exponential series  $e^{xt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n t^n / n!$  and (2.17) to (2.21), with help of the Cauchy product, we derive

$$(2.22) \quad \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,1)}(x+y) \frac{t^m}{m!} = \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} [x]_q^m \frac{t^m}{m!}\right) \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} q^{mx} E_{m,q,q^{-m}\xi}^{(-m,1)}(y) \frac{t^m}{m!}\right) \\ = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{m} \binom{m}{i} q^{ix} E_{i,q,q^{-i}\xi}^{(-i,1)}(y) [x]_q^{m-i}\right) \frac{t^m}{m!}.$$

Hence, by comparing the coefficients of  $t^m/m!$  in (2.22), we obtain the addition theorem of the twisted q-Euler polynomials as follows

(2.23) 
$$E_{m,q,\xi}^{(-m,1)}(x+y) = \sum_{i=0}^{m} \binom{m}{i} q^{ix} E_{i,q,q^{-i}\xi}^{(-i,1)}(y) [x]_{q}^{m-i}.$$

In light of applying (2.23) to Theorem 2.2, we immediately derive after some calculation.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let a, b, m be positive integers with  $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$ . Then

(2.24) 
$$[2]_{q^{b}} \sum_{i=0}^{m} {m \choose i} [a]_{q}^{i} [b]_{q}^{m-i} E_{i,q^{a},q^{-ia}\xi^{a}}^{(-i,1)}(bx) S_{m-i,\xi^{b};q^{b}}(a)$$
$$= [2]_{q^{a}} \sum_{i=0}^{m} {m \choose i} [b]_{q}^{i} [a]_{q}^{m-i} E_{i,q^{b},q^{-ib}\xi^{b}}^{(-i,1)}(ax) S_{m-i,\xi^{a};q^{a}}(b),$$

where  $S_{m,\xi;q}(a) = \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} (-\xi)^j q^{-mj} [j]_q^m$ .

If taking  $\xi = 1$  and letting  $q \to 1$  in Theorem 2.3, then we have the following identity between the classical Euler polynomials and alternating sum (see [14, 9])

(2.25) 
$$\sum_{i=0}^{n} \binom{n}{i} a^{n-i} b^{i} E_{n-i}(bx) S_{i}(a) = \sum_{i=0}^{m} \binom{n}{i} b^{n-i} a^{i} E_{n-i}(ax) S_{i}(b),$$

where n is a non-negative integer, a, b are positive integers with  $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$ and  $S_n(a) = \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} (-1)^j j^n$ . For the generalization of the above identity (2.25) in the Apostol-type direction, the interested readers may consult to [15].

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