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# A NOTE ON REPRESENTATION NUMBERS OF QUADRATIC FORMS MODULO PRIME POWERS

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ABSTRACT. Let f be an integral quadratic form in k variables, F the Gram matrix corresponding to a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of  $\mathbb{Z}^k$ . For  $r \in F^{-1}\mathbb{Z}^k$ , a rational number n with  $f(r) \equiv n \mod \mathbb{Z}$  and a positive integer c, set  $N_f(n,r;c) := \sharp\{x \in \mathbb{Z}^k/c\mathbb{Z}^k : f(x+r) \equiv n \mod c\}$ . Siegel showed that for each prime p, there is a number w depending on r and n such that  $N_f(n,r;p^{\nu+1}) = p^{k-1}N_f(n,r;p^{\nu})$  holds for every integer  $\nu > w$  and gave a rough estimation on the upper bound for such w. In this short note, we give a more explicit estimation on this bound than Siegel's.

#### 1. Introduction and statement

Let f be an integral quadratic form in k variables, F the Gram matrix corresponding to a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of  $\mathbb{Z}^k$ . For  $r \in F^{-1}\mathbb{Z}^k$ , a rational number n with  $f(r) \equiv n \mod \mathbb{Z}$  and a positive integer c, set

(1.1) 
$$N_f(n,r;c) := \sharp \{ x \in \mathbb{Z}^k / c\mathbb{Z}^k : f(x+r) \equiv n \bmod c \}.$$

In his seminal work for representation numbers of quadratic forms, Siegel [5] in fact proved that for a nonzero n,

(1.2) 
$$N_f(n,r;p^{\nu+1}) = p^{k-1}N_f(n,r;p^{\nu}) \text{ when } \nu > \nu_p(2\omega_r^2 n^2)$$

(see [5, Hilfssatz 13]. For a clearer form one can also refer to [3, Lemma 5]). Here  $\omega_r$  is the smallest positive integer such that  $\omega_r r \in \mathbb{Z}^k$ . In this paper, by computing  $N_f(n,r;p^{\nu+1})$  with the method of Gauss sums we improve the Siegel's result. Roughly saying we find that

$$N_f(n,r;p^{\nu+1}) = p^{k-1}N_f(n,r;p^{\nu})$$
 when  $\nu > \nu_p(2\omega_r^2 n).$ 

We explain the above statement more explicitly by the language of lattice. Recall that an even *lattice*  $\underline{L} = (L, \beta)$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module L of finite rank  $\operatorname{rk}(\underline{L})$ , equipped with a non-degenerate symmetric  $\mathbb{Z}$ -valued bilinear form  $\beta$  such that  $\beta(x) := \beta(x, x)/2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  for all  $x \in L$ . Note that  $\beta : L \to \mathbb{Z}$  is a quadratic form, i.e.,  $\beta(ax) = a^2\beta(x)$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $x \in L$ . In the following by writing an even

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lattice  $(L, \beta)$ ,  $\beta$  refers to the quadratic form which is induced by the symmetric  $\mathbb{Z}$ -valued bilinear form. For example,  $(\mathbb{Z}, x^2)$  is the lattice  $(\mathbb{Z}, (x, y) \to 2xy)$ .

The dual of lattice  $\underline{L}$  is

$$L^{\sharp} = \{ y \in L \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} : \beta(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } x \in L \}.$$

It is well known that  $|L^{\sharp}/L|$  equals to  $|\det(\underline{L})|$ , where  $\det(\underline{L})$  is the determinant of the Gram matrix corresponding to any  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of L thus  $L^{\sharp}/L$  is a finite abelian group. Define  $\Delta(\underline{L})$ ,  $\ell(\underline{L})$ , the discriminant of  $\underline{L}$  and the level of  $\underline{L}$  as follows:

$$\Delta(\underline{L}) := \begin{cases} (-1)^{\lfloor \frac{\mathrm{rk}(\underline{L})}{2} \rfloor} \det(\underline{L}) & \text{if } \mathrm{rk}(\underline{L}) \text{ is even}; \\ (-1)^{\lfloor \frac{\mathrm{rk}(\underline{L})}{2} \rfloor} 2 \det(\underline{L}) & \text{if } \mathrm{rk}(\underline{L}) \text{ is odd}, \end{cases}$$

$$\ell(\underline{L}) := \min\{\ell \in \mathbb{N} : \ell\beta(r) \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } r \in L^{\sharp}\}.$$

For an element  $r \in L^{\sharp}$ , let  $\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)$  be the order of r in  $L^{\sharp}/L$ . Obviously  $\ell(\underline{L})|\Delta(\underline{L})$ . For any element  $x \in L^{\sharp}$ , we have that

$$\beta(\ell(\underline{L})r, x) = \ell(\underline{L})\beta(r, x) = \ell(\underline{L})\left(\beta(r) + \beta(y) - \beta(r+y)\right) \in \mathbb{Z},$$

which implies that  $\ell(\underline{L})r \in L$  thus  $\omega_L(r)|\ell(\underline{L})$ .

Under the same notations as the above, we rewrite (1.1) as

$$(1.3) N_{\underline{L}}(n,r;c) := \sharp \{ x \in L/cL : \beta(x+r) \equiv n \bmod c \}.$$

We put

$$g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;c):=\sum_{d|c}\mu(d)d^{\mathrm{rk}(\underline{L})-1}N_{\underline{L}}(n,r;c/d).$$

Then the Siegel's result is reformulated as

(1.4) 
$$g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}) = 0 \quad \text{when} \quad \nu > \nu_p(2p\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2 n^2).$$

Strictly speaking we will prove the following theorem:

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $\underline{L} = (L, \beta)$  be an even lattice, r an element in the dual of  $\underline{L}$  and n a rational number with  $\beta(r) \equiv n \mod \mathbb{Z}$ .

- (1) For a prime  $p \mid \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)$ , we have  $g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}) = 0$  when  $\nu > \nu_p(2\ell(\underline{L}))$ .
- (2) Let p be a prime with  $p \nmid \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)$ .
  - (2i) If  $n \neq 0$  then  $g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}) = 0$  when  $\nu > \nu_p(8p\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2n)$ .
  - (2ii) We have

$$g_{\underline{L}}(0,r;p^{\nu+2}) = p^{\operatorname{rk}(\underline{L})}g_{\underline{L}}(0,r;p^{\nu}) \quad when \ \nu > \nu_p(2\ell(\underline{L})).$$

We now fix basic notations throughout this paper. For a prime p,  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  stands for the ring of *p*-adic integers. For a rational number a,  $\nu_p(a)$  is the *p*-adic

valuation of the rational number *a*. The bracket  $(\frac{\cdot}{p})$  is the Kronecker symbol, i.e., for an odd prime p,  $\left(\frac{\cdot}{p}\right)$  is the usual Legendre symbol, for p = 2,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{a}{2} \end{pmatrix} := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } a \equiv 0 \mod 2; \\ 1 & \text{if } a \equiv \pm 1 \mod 8; \\ -1 & \text{if } a \equiv \pm 3 \mod 8. \end{cases}$$

For an integer c and a complex number t, we write  $e_c(t) := e^{\frac{2\pi i t}{c}}$ .

## 2. Proof of Theorem 1.1

Since  $g_{\underline{L}}$  is multiplicative in the variable c, we just need to study  $g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu})$  for prime powers  $p^{\nu}$ . For studying we express  $g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu})$  in terms of Gauss sums as follows:

(2.1) 
$$g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}) = \frac{1}{p^{\nu}} \sum_{\substack{d \mod p^{\nu} \\ \gcd(d,p)=1}} \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( d(\beta(x+r)-n) \right).$$

Firstly we have

**Lemma 2.1.** Under the same notations as before, we have the following: (1) If  $p \mid \omega_L(r)$ , then

(2.2) 
$$g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}) = \frac{1}{p^{\nu}} \sum_{\substack{d \mod p^{\nu} \\ \gcd(d,p)=1}} e_{p^{\nu}}(dn_{r}) \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}}\left(d(\beta(x) + \beta(r,x))\right),$$

(2.3)  

$$where n_r = \beta(r) - n.$$
(2) If  $p \nmid \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)$ , then  

$$g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}) = \frac{1}{p^{\nu}} \sum_{\substack{d \mod p^{\nu} \\ \gcd(d,p)=1}} e_{p^{\nu}} (-d\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2 n) \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} (d\beta(x)).$$

*Proof.* The assertion (1) is obvious. For (2), since  $p \nmid \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)$ , one has

$$\begin{split} N_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}) &= \sharp \{ x \in L/p^{\nu}L : \beta(x+r) \equiv n \mod p^{\nu} \} \\ &= \sharp \{ x \in L/p^{\nu}L : \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2 \beta(x+r) \equiv \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2 n \mod p^{\nu} \} \\ &= \sharp \{ x \in L/p^{\nu}L : \beta(\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)x + \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)r)) \equiv \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2 n \mod p^{\nu} \} \\ &= \sharp \{ x \in L/p^{\nu}L : \beta(x) \equiv \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2 n \mod p^{\nu} \} \\ &= N_{\underline{L}}(\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2 n, 0; p^{\nu}), \end{split}$$

where for the fourth identity, we replace  $\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)x + \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)r$  by x. Now one can immediately see (2) is true.

For proving the main theorem, we need some auxiliary lemmas. The following lemma is a key to prove (1) of Theorem 1.1.

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $\underline{L} = (L, \beta)$  be an even lattice, r an element in the dual of  $\underline{L}$ and p a prime with  $p \mid \omega_{\underline{L}}(r)$ . Then for each integer  $\nu > \nu_p(2\ell(\underline{L}))$ , there exists an element y of L such that  $p^{\nu} \mid \beta(y), p^{\nu} \mid \beta(x, y)$  for all  $x \in L$ , and  $p^{\nu} \nmid \beta(r, y)$ .

*Proof.* For the sake of simplicity we write  $\ell$  for  $\ell(\underline{L})$  and  $\ell_p := p^{\nu_p(\ell)}$ . By the definition of level, we know that the denominator of  $(\ell/\ell_p)\beta(r)$  is a *p*power (including one). The assumption  $p|\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)$  implies that the order of the element  $(\ell/\ell_p)r$  is a *p*-power more than one thus for each  $y \in L$ , the possible denominator of  $\beta((\ell/\ell_p)r, y)$  is also a power of the prime *p*.

If  $(\ell/\ell_p)\beta(r) \notin \mathbb{Z}$ , then we let  $y = 2p^{\nu}(\ell/\ell_p)r$ . Obviously  $p^{\nu}|\beta(x,y)$  for all  $x \in L$ . Since  $\nu > \nu_p(2\ell_p)$ ,  $p^{\nu}/\ell_p \in \mathbb{Z}$  thus  $y = (p^{\nu}/\ell_p)\ell r \in L$ . We have

$$\beta(y) = \frac{\beta(p^{\nu}(\ell/\ell_p)r, p^{\nu}(\ell/\ell_p)r)}{2} = p^{\nu} \cdot (p^{\nu}/\ell_p) \cdot (\ell/\ell_p)\ell\beta(r) \in p^{\nu}\mathbb{Z}.$$

Also  $(\ell/\ell_p)\beta(r) \notin \mathbb{Z}$  means that the *p*-valuation of  $(\ell/\ell_p)\beta(r)$  is negative thus  $\beta(r, y) = p^{\nu}(\ell/\ell_p)\beta(r) \notin p^{\nu}\mathbb{Z}$ . By the above discussion, the element  $y \in L$  exists as the lemma claimed.

If  $(\ell/\ell_p)\beta(r) \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then the pair  $(L\langle (\ell/\ell_p)r\rangle, \beta)$  is also an even lattice. Here  $L\langle (\ell/\ell_p)r\rangle$  is the  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module, which is generated by L and  $(\ell/\ell_p)r$ . Note that the element  $(\ell/\ell_p)r$  is not in L. We have

$$|L^{\sharp}: L\langle (\ell/\ell_p)r\rangle^{\sharp}| = |L\langle (\ell/\ell_p)r\rangle: L| > 1,$$

which implies that there exists an element y' in  $L^{\sharp}$  such that  $\beta((\ell/\ell_p)r, y') \notin \mathbb{Z}$  thus the *p*-adic valuation is negative. Now one can check that  $y = p^{\nu}y'$  as the lemma stated.

For proving (2i) of Theorem 1.1 we need:

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $\underline{L} = (L, \beta)$  be an even lattice. For each prime power  $p^{\nu}$ , the following

$$\sum_{\in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( (d+4p)\beta(x) \right) = \sum_{x\in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( d\beta(x) \right)$$

holds for any integer d coprime to p.

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*Proof.* For each integer d coprime to p, one can find an integer t coprime to p satisfying  $dt^2 \equiv d + 4p \mod p^{\nu}$ . The application  $x \to tx$  is an automorphism of  $L/p^{\nu}L$  thus

$$\sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( d\beta(x) \right) = \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( d\beta(tx) \right)$$
$$= \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( dt^2 \beta(x) \right) = \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( (d+4p)\beta(x) \right).$$

This proves the lemma.

To prove (2ii) of Theorem 1.1 we shall evaluate  $\sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}}(d\beta(x))$  for  $\nu > \nu_p(2\ell(\underline{L}))$ . We briefly introduce the terminology of Jordan decomposition over the ring of p-adic integers. Define the following lattices over the ring of *p*-adic integers:

- (i)  $\underline{A}_{p^{j}}^{\varepsilon} := (\mathbb{Z}_{p}, p^{j} \varepsilon x^{2}), p \text{ is odd prime, } gcd(p, \varepsilon) = 1;$ (ii)  $\underline{A}_{2^{j}}^{\varepsilon} := (\mathbb{Z}_{2}, 2^{j+1} \varepsilon x^{2}), gcd(2, \varepsilon) = 1;$ (iii)  $\underline{B}_{2^{j}} := (\mathbb{Z}_{2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{2}, 2^{j} (x^{2} + xy + y^{2}));$

(iv)  $\underline{C}_{2^j} := (\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2, 2^j x y).$ 

For an even lattice  $\underline{L} = (L, \beta)$  set  $\underline{L}_p := (L \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p, \beta)$  and we simply write  $L \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ as  $L_p$ . We say that two  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -lattices  $(L_p, \beta)$  and  $(L'_p, \beta')$  are isomorphic over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ if there is an isomorphism  $\psi$  from  $L_p$  to  $L'_p$  such that for each  $x \in L$ ,  $\beta(x) =$  $\beta(\psi(x))$  holds. The Jordan decomposition over the ring of p-adic integers shows that lattices over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  can be isomorphic to direct sums of the above  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -lattices, which is the following proposition:

**Proposition 2.4** ([4, Chapter 15, Theorem 2]). Let  $\underline{L} = (L,\beta)$  be an even lattice.

(1) For any odd prime  $p, \underline{L}_p$  is isomorphic to the form

(2.4) 
$$\underline{L}_{p} \approx \bigoplus_{j=0}^{l_{p}} \bigoplus_{i=0}^{r_{p,j}} \underline{A}_{p^{j}}^{\varepsilon_{p^{j},i}};$$

(2) The lattice  $\underline{L}$  is isomorphic to the following form over  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ :

(2.5) 
$$\underline{L}_{2} \approx \left(\bigoplus_{j=1}^{l_{2}} \bigoplus_{i=0}^{r_{2,j}} \underline{A}_{2^{j}}^{\varepsilon_{2^{j},i}}\right) \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{j=1}^{m_{2}} \left(\underbrace{\underline{B}_{2^{j}} \oplus \cdots \oplus \underline{B}_{2^{j}}}_{s_{j}} \oplus \underbrace{\underline{C}_{2^{j}} \oplus \cdots \oplus \underline{C}_{2^{j}}}_{t_{j}}\right)\right).$$

Remark 2.5. We admit that  $r_{p,j}$ ,  $r_{2,j}$ ,  $s_j$ ,  $t_j$  are zero. If we let  $l_p$  (resp.  $l_2$ ,  $m_2$ ) be the smallest integer such that  $r_{p,j}$  (resp.  $r_{2,j}$ ,  $s_j + t_j$ ) = 0 when  $j > l_p$  (resp.  $l_2, m_2$ , then  $\nu_p(\ell(\underline{L})) = l_p$  for any odd prime and  $\nu_2(\ell(\underline{L})) = \max\{l_2 + 2, m_2\}$ .

We also need some results for classical Gauss sums.

**Lemma 2.6** ([2, Chapter 1]). Let p be an odd prime and d an integer with  $p \nmid d$ . For a positive integer  $\nu$  we have

$$\sum_{x \bmod p^{\nu}} e_{p^{\nu}}(dx^2) = \epsilon(p^{\nu})p^{\frac{\nu}{2}}\left(\frac{d}{p^{\nu}}\right),$$

where for an odd integer  $m, \epsilon(m) := \sqrt{\left(\frac{-1}{m}\right)}.$ 

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**Lemma 2.7** ([2, Chapter 1]). For each positive integer  $\nu$  and odd integer d, one has

$$\sum_{x \bmod 2^{\nu}} e_{2^{\nu}}(dx^2) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \nu = 1; \\ 2^{\frac{\nu+1}{2}} \left(\frac{d}{2^{\nu+1}}\right) e_8(d) & \text{if } \nu > 1. \end{cases}$$

**Lemma 2.8** ([1, Lemma 2.1.9, 2.1.10]). For each positive integer  $\nu$  and odd integer d, the following identities hold:

$$\sum_{x,y \bmod 2^{\nu}} e_{2^{\nu}}(dxy) = 2^{\nu} \left(\frac{-1}{2^{\nu}}\right), \quad \sum_{x,y \bmod 2^{\nu}} e_{2^{\nu}}(d(x^2 + xy + y^2)) = 2^{\nu} \left(\frac{3}{2^{\nu}}\right).$$

**Lemma 2.9.** Let  $\underline{L} = (L, \beta)$  be an even lattice. Write

$$\gamma_{\underline{L}}(d,c) := \sum_{x \in L/cL} e_c(d\beta(x))$$

for positive integer c and integer d. For any prime p and d coprime to p, the identity  $\gamma_{\underline{L}}(d, p^{\nu+2}) = p^{\operatorname{rk}(\underline{L})} \gamma_{\underline{L}}(d, p^{\nu})$  holds when  $\nu > \nu_p(2\ell(\underline{L}))$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\underline{L} = (L, \beta)$  be an even lattice whose Jordan decomposition over  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  as stated in Proposition 2.4 for each prime p. For an odd prime power  $p^{\nu} > p^{\nu_p(2\ell_{\underline{L}})}$  and an integer d coprime to p, applying Lemma 2.6 we have

$$(2.6) \qquad \gamma_{\underline{L}}(d, p^{\nu}) = \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}}(d\beta(x))$$
$$= \prod_{j=0}^{\nu_{p}(\ell(\underline{L}))} \prod_{i=0}^{r_{p,j}} \left( \sum_{x \bmod p^{\nu}} e_{p^{\nu}}(dp^{j}\varepsilon_{p^{j},i}x^{2}) \right)$$
$$= \prod_{j=0}^{\nu_{p}(\ell(\underline{L}))} \prod_{i=0}^{r_{p,j}} \left( p^{j} \sum_{x \bmod p^{\nu}} e_{p^{\nu-j}}(d\varepsilon_{p^{j},i}x^{2}) \right)$$
$$= \prod_{j=0}^{\nu_{p}(\ell(\underline{L}))} p^{\frac{r_{p,j}(\nu+j)}{2}} \epsilon(p^{\nu-j})^{r_{p,j}} \prod_{i=0}^{r_{p,j}} \left( \frac{\varepsilon_{p^{j},i}d}{p^{\nu+j}} \right).$$

For  $\nu > \nu_2(2\ell_{\underline{L}})$  and an odd integer d, one has

$$\begin{split} \gamma_{\underline{L}}(d, 2^{\nu}) &= \sum_{x \in L/2^{\nu}L} e_{2^{\nu}}(d\beta(x)) \\ &= \prod_{j=0}^{b_2} \left( \sum_{x, y \bmod 2^{\nu}} e_{2^{\nu}}(d2^j(x^2 + xy + y^2)) \right)^{s_j} \\ &\times \prod_{j=0}^{c_2} \left( \sum_{x, y \bmod 2^{\nu}} e_{2^{\nu}}(d2^jxy) \right)^{t_j} \prod_{j=0}^{a_2} \prod_{i=1}^{r_{2,j}} \left( \sum_{x \bmod 2^{\nu}} e_{2^{\nu}}(d2^j\varepsilon_{2^j,i}x^2) \right). \end{split}$$

By applying Lemmas 2.7 and 2.8, we get

$$\begin{aligned} (2.7) \quad & \gamma_{\underline{L}}(d, 2^{\nu}) \\ &= \prod_{j=0}^{b_2} \left( 2^{\nu+j} \left( \frac{3}{2^{\nu+j}} \right) \right)^{s_j} \prod_{j=0}^{c_2} \left( 2^{\nu+j} \left( \frac{-1}{2^{\nu+j}} \right) \right)^{t_j} \\ & \times \prod_{j=0}^{a_2} \left( 2^{\frac{\nu+j+1}{2}} \left( \frac{d}{2^{\nu+j+1}} \right) \right)^{r_{2,j}} \prod_{j=0}^{a_2} \prod_{i=0}^{r_{2,j}} \left( \frac{\varepsilon_{2^{j},i}}{2^{\nu+j+1}} \right) e_8 \left( \sum_{j=0}^{a_2} \sum_{i=0}^{r_{2,j}} \varepsilon_{2^{j},i} d \right) \\ &= 2^{\frac{\nu \sum (s_j+t_j+r_{2,j})}{2}} \prod_{j=0}^{b_2} \left( 2^j \left( \frac{3}{2^j} \right) \right)^{s_j} \prod_{j=0}^{c_2} \left( 2^{\nu+j} \left( \frac{-1}{2^j} \right) \right)^{t_j} \\ & \times \prod_{j=0}^{a_2} \left( 2^{\frac{j+1}{2}} \left( \frac{d}{2^{j+1}} \right) \right)^{r_{2,j}} \prod_{j=0}^{a_2} \prod_{i=0}^{r_{2,j}} \left( \frac{\varepsilon_{2^{j},i}}{2^{j+1}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Now by the relation

$$\sum_{j} r_{p,j} = \sum_{j} (s_j + t_j + r_{2,j}) = \operatorname{rk}(\underline{L}),$$

one immediately sees the lemma is true after observing last identities of (2.6) and (2.7).

Proof of Theorem 1.1. (1) We use the expression for  $g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu})$  as in (2.2). It is sufficient to show that for any prime  $p|\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)$  and integer  $\nu$  more than  $\nu_p(2\ell(\underline{L}))$ , the inner sum of (2.2) vanishes. Recall that the inner sum of (2.2) is

(2.8) 
$$\sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( d\left(\beta(x) + \beta(r, x)\right) \right).$$

From Lemma 2.2 we know that for each integer  $\nu > \nu_p(2\ell(\underline{L}))$ , there exists an element y of L such that  $p^{\nu}|\beta(y), p^{\nu}|\beta(x,y)$  for all  $x \in L$ , and  $p^{\nu} \nmid \beta(r,y)$ . Replacing x by x + y we have

$$\sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( d\left(\beta(x) + \beta(r, x)\right) \right)$$
  
= 
$$\sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( d\left(\beta(x + y) + \beta(r, x + y)\right) \right)$$
  
= 
$$e_{p^{\nu}} \left(\beta(r, y)\right) \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( d\left(\beta(x) + \beta(r, x)\right) \right),$$

which yields that (2.8) equals zero. This proves (1).

(2) We use the expression for  $g_{\underline{L},n,r}(p^{\nu})$  in (2.3). For (2i), substituting d by d + 4p in (2.3) we have

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$$\begin{split} p^{\nu}g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}) &= \sum_{\substack{d \bmod p^{\nu} \\ \gcd(d,p^{\nu})=1}} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( -(d+4p)\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^{2}n \right) \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}}((d+4p)\beta(x)) \\ &= e_{p^{\nu}} \left( -4p\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^{2}n \right) \sum_{\substack{d \bmod p^{\nu} \\ \gcd(d,p^{\nu})=1}} e_{p^{\nu}}(-d\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^{2}n) \sum_{\substack{x \in L/p^{\nu}L \\ \gcd(d,p^{\nu})=1}} e_{p^{\nu}}(-d\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^{2}n) \sum_{\substack{d \bmod p^{\nu} \\ \gcd(d,p^{\nu})=1}} e_{p^{\nu}}(-d\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^{2}n) \sum_{\substack{x \in L/p^{\nu}L \\ x \in L/p^{\nu}L}} e_{p^{\nu}} \left( d\beta(x) \right) \\ &= e_{p^{\nu-1}} \left( -4\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^{2}n \right) p^{\nu}g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}), \end{split}$$

where for the third identity we used Lemma 2.3. The number  $e_{p^{\nu-1}}\left(-4\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2n\right)$  fails to be an integer when  $\nu > \nu_p(8p\omega_{\underline{L}}(r)^2n)$ , which yields that  $g_{\underline{L}}(n,r;p^{\nu}) = 0$ . This proves (2i).

Finally we consider (2ii). We have that

$$g_{\underline{L}}(0,0;p^{\nu}) = \frac{1}{p^{\nu}} \sum_{\substack{d \mod p^{\nu} \\ \gcd(d,p)=1}} \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}}(d\beta(x)).$$

Write  $\gamma_{\underline{L}}(d, p^{\nu}) = \sum_{x \in L/p^{\nu}L} e_{p^{\nu}}(d\beta(x))$ . By Lemma 2.3,  $\gamma_{\underline{L}}(d, p^{\nu}) = \gamma_{\underline{L}}(d + 4p, p^{\nu})$  for each integer d with gcd(d, p) = 1. Therefore, for each integer  $\nu > \nu_p(2\ell(\underline{L}))$ , we have

$$g_{\underline{L}}(0,0;p^{\nu+2}) = \frac{1}{p^{\nu+2}} \sum_{\substack{d \bmod p^{\nu+2} \\ \gcd(d,p)=1}} \gamma_{\underline{L}}(d,p^{\nu+2}) = \frac{1}{p^{\nu}} \sum_{\substack{d \bmod p^{\nu} \\ \gcd(d,p)=1}} \gamma_{\underline{L}}(d,p^{\nu+2}).$$

According to Lemma 2.9,  $\gamma_{\underline{L}}(d, p^{\nu+2}) = p^{\operatorname{rk}(\underline{L})} \gamma_{\underline{L}}(d, p^{\nu})$  holds when  $\nu > \nu_p(2\ell(\underline{L}))$ . Finally we find that

$$g_{\underline{L}}(0,0;p^{\nu+2}) = p^{\operatorname{rk}(\underline{L})} \times \frac{1}{p^{\nu}} \sum_{\substack{d \mod p^{\nu} \\ \gcd(d,p)=1}} \gamma_{\underline{L}}(d,p^{\nu}) = p^{\operatorname{rk}(\underline{L})} g_{\underline{L}}(0,0;p^{\nu}).$$

Now we complete the proof of Theorem 1.1.

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