


Higher-order character Dedekind sum

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Abstract: In this paper, we are interested in higher-order character Dedekind sum

$$\sum_{v=0}^{ck-1} \chi_1(v) \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2} \left(a \frac{v+z}{c} + x \right) \mathcal{B}_q \left(b \frac{v+z}{ck} + y \right), \quad a, b, c \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } x, y, z \in \mathbb{R},$$

where χ_1 and χ_2 are primitive characters of modulus k , $\mathcal{B}_p(x)$ and $\mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2}(x)$ are Bernoulli and generalized Bernoulli functions, respectively. We employ the Fourier series technique to demonstrate reciprocity formulas for this sum. Derived formulas are analogues of Mikolás' reciprocity formula. Moreover, we offer Petersson–Knopp type identities for this sum.

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1. Introduction

Let $\mathcal{B}_n(x)$ denote the n th Bernoulli function defined by

$$\mathcal{B}_n(x) = \begin{cases} B_n(x - [x]), & \text{if } n \neq 1 \text{ or } x \notin \mathbb{Z}, \\ 0, & \text{if } n = 1 \text{ and } x \in \mathbb{Z}, \end{cases}$$

where $[x]$ denotes the largest integer $\leq x$ and $B_n(x)$ is the n th Bernoulli polynomial defined by (see [3, p. 264])

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

The classical Dedekind sum $s(a, c)$, arising in the theory of Dedekind eta-function, is defined by

$$s(a, c) = \sum_{v=0}^{c-1} \mathcal{B}_1 \left(\frac{av}{c} \right) \mathcal{B}_1 \left(\frac{v}{c} \right), \quad a, c \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad c > 0.$$

This sum was generalized by various authors. One of the generalizations, due to Hall et al [25], is the higher-order Dedekind sum (or generalized Dedekind–Rademacher sum)

$$s_{p,q} \left(\begin{matrix} a & b & c \\ x & y & z \end{matrix} \right) = \sum_{v=0}^{c-1} \mathcal{B}_p \left(a \frac{v+z}{c} - x \right) \mathcal{B}_q \left(b \frac{v+z}{c} - y \right). \quad (1.1)$$

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This sum contains generalized Dedekind sums previously defined by Carlitz [17] (see also [8, 40])

$$s_p(a, c : x, y) = \sum_{v=0}^{c-1} \left(\left(\frac{v+y}{c} \right) \right) \mathcal{B}_p \left(a \frac{v+y}{c} + x \right), \tag{1.2}$$

Rademacher [37]

$$s(a, c : x, y) = \sum_{v=0}^{c-1} \left(\left(a \frac{v+y}{c} + x \right) \right) \left(\left(\frac{v+y}{c} \right) \right), \tag{1.3}$$

Mikolás [32] (see also [16])

$$s_{p,q}(a, b; c) = \sum_{v=0}^{c-1} \mathcal{B}_p \left(\frac{av}{c} \right) \mathcal{B}_q \left(\frac{bv}{c} \right) \tag{1.4}$$

and Apostol [2]

$$s_p(a, c) = \sum_{v=0}^{c-1} \left(\left(\frac{v}{c} \right) \right) \mathcal{B}_p \left(\frac{av}{c} \right). \tag{1.5}$$

Another generalization of $s(a, c)$ is character Dedekind sum introduced by Berndt [7]: Let χ be a nonprinciple primitive character modulo k . The generalized Bernoulli functions $\mathcal{B}_{n,\chi}(x)$ are functions with period k and can be defined by [9, Theorem 3.1]

$$\mathcal{B}_{n,\chi}(x) = k^{n-1} \sum_{v=1}^{k-1} \bar{\chi}(v) \mathcal{B}_n \left(\frac{v+x}{k} \right), \tag{1.6}$$

for all real x and $n \geq 0$. Berndt's character Dedekind sum is [7]

$$s(a, c; \chi) = \sum_{v=0}^{ck-1} \chi(v) \mathcal{B}_{1,\chi} \left(\frac{av}{c} \right) \mathcal{B}_1 \left(\frac{v}{ck} \right), \tag{1.7}$$

which appears in the transformation formulas of a generalized Eisenstein series. Generalizations of $s(a, c; \chi)$ in the sense of (1.2), (1.3) and (1.5) have also been studied in [7, 19, 20].

For further generalizations of $s(a, c)$, the reader may consult to [5, 6, 10–12, 14, 18, 21, 22, 26, 28, 31, 33, 39, 42].

One of the most important properties of the Dedekind sum is its reciprocity formula: it plays a key role in proving a bias phenomena [1], distribution properties [27] and unboundedness [36] of the sum.

It should be mentioned that Hall and Wilson [24] classified all linear relations (reciprocity formulas) for the sums $s_{p,q}(a, b; c)$ and $s_{p,q}(a, 1; c)$, and it emerged that Mikolás' relations form a complete set [32, Eq. (5.5)] (see also [24, Eq. (8)]). Moreover, reciprocity formulas of Hall et al [25], Bayad and Raouj [5] and Beck and Chavez [6] are in terms of the generating functions.

The reciprocity formula for the sum $s(a, c)$, due to Richard Dedekind, is

$$s(a, c) + s(c, a) = -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{12} \left(\frac{a}{c} + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{1}{ac} \right), \tag{1.8}$$

where $(a, c) = 1$ (for several proofs see [38]), whereas the reciprocity formula for the sum $s(a, c; \chi)$ is [7, Theorem 4]

$$s(c, a; \chi) + s(a, c; \bar{\chi}) = B_{1, \chi} B_{1, \bar{\chi}},$$

where $(a, c) = 1$ and either a or $c \equiv 0 \pmod{k}$.

Another basic identity for Dedekind sum is the Petersson–Knopp identity [29]:

$$\sum_{d|n} \sum_{r=1}^d s\left(\frac{n}{d}a + rc, dc\right) = \sigma(n) s(a, c), \tag{1.9}$$

where $\sigma(n)$ is the sum of the positive divisors of n . Elementary proofs of this identity have been offered by several authors [23, 34]. Analogues of (1.9) have also been given for certain generalized Dedekind sums, for example, [4, 30, 35, 42].

In this paper, we are interested in character extension of (1.1), i.e., higher-order character Dedekind sum

$$s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) = \sum_{v=0}^{ck-1} \chi_1(v) \mathcal{B}_{p, \chi_2}\left(a \frac{v+z}{c} + x\right) \mathcal{B}_q\left(b \frac{v+z}{ck} + y\right).$$

It is worth noting that the sums

$$s_{q,p+1-q}(a, 1, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, 0, z), \quad 0 \leq q \leq p+1,$$

can be viewed as coefficients appearing in Berndt’s transformation formula [10, Theorem 1] although not explicitly stated. So the sum $s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z)$ can be viewed as a natural generalization of the character Dedekind sum $s(a, c; \chi)$.

The reciprocity formulas in this concept are proved by employing various techniques and theories such as transformation formulas, residue theory, generating functions, summation formulas and arithmetic methods.

In this study, we employ the Fourier series technique to demonstrate reciprocity formulas for the sum $s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z)$. Derived formulas are analogues of Mikolás’ relation [32, Eq. (5.5)] (see also [24, Eq. (8)]) and are presented in Section 2. Moreover, in Section 3, we offer Petersson–Knopp type identities for the sum $s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; 0, 0, 0)$.

2. Reciprocity formulas

In this section, we prove two reciprocity formulas for higher-order character Dedekind sum. Let

$$s_{p,q}^*(a, c, b; \chi_2, \chi_1; x, z, y) = \sum_{v=0}^{b-1} \mathcal{B}_{p, \chi_2}\left(ak \frac{v+y}{b} + x\right) \mathcal{B}_{q, \chi_1}\left(ck \frac{v+y}{b} + z\right).$$

The first reciprocity formula is given by the following theorem.

Theorem 2.1 Let a, b and c be pairwise coprime positive integers and $a \equiv 0 \pmod{k}$. Let χ_1 and χ_2 be nonprincipal primitive characters of modulus k . Then, for $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) \\
 &= q(b/ck)^{q-1} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \binom{p}{j} \frac{(a/c)^j}{q+j} s_{q+j, p-j}^*(c, -a, b; \bar{\chi}_1, \chi_2; z, x, y) \\
 &+ pk^{q-p} (a/c)^{p-1} \bar{\chi}_1(b) \chi_1(-c) \\
 &\times \sum_{l=0}^{q-1} \binom{q}{l} \frac{(bk/c)^l}{p+l} (-1)^{q-l} s_{q-l, p+l}(b, c, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; -ky, z/k, x) + E_{p,q}, \tag{2.1}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{p,q} &= E_{p,q}(x, y, z; \chi_1, \chi_2) \\
 &= \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{4} \chi_1(-z_1) \bar{\chi}_2(-x_1), & \text{if } p = q = 1 \text{ and} \\ & (x, y, z) \in (-ak, -b, ck) \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{Z}^3, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \tag{2.2}
 \end{aligned}$$

here $(x_1, y_1, z_1) = (x + akR, y + bR, z - ckR) \in \mathbb{Z}^3$ for some $R \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof We first recall the Fourier series representations of the Bernoulli functions $\mathcal{B}_n(x)$ and $\mathcal{B}_{n,\chi}(x)$:

$$\mathcal{B}_n(x) = A_n \sum_{\substack{m=-\infty \\ m \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{e^{2\pi i m x}}{m^n}, \text{ (see [3, p. 267])} \tag{2.3}$$

$$\mathcal{B}_{n,\chi}(x) = A_n(\chi) \sum_{\substack{m=-\infty \\ m \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{\chi(m)}{m^n} e^{2\pi i m x/k}, \text{ ([9, p. 421])} \tag{2.4}$$

for all real x and $n \geq 1$. Here $A_n = -n!/(2\pi i)^n$, $A_n(\chi) = -G(\bar{\chi}) n!/k(2\pi i/k)^n$ and $G(\chi) = G(1, \chi)$ is the Gauss sum defined by

$$G(z, \chi) = \sum_{h=0}^{k-1} \chi(h) e^{2\pi i h z/k}.$$

$G(z, \chi)$ satisfies [3, p. 168] (χ primitive)

$$G(n, \chi) = \bar{\chi}(n) G(\chi), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}. \tag{2.5}$$

We want to perform (2.3) and (2.4) on the right-hand side of

$$s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) = \sum_{\lambda=0}^{ck-1} \chi_1(\lambda) \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2} \left(a \frac{\lambda+z}{c} + x \right) \mathcal{B}_q \left(b \frac{\lambda+z}{ck} + y \right).$$

Note that the left-hand sides of (2.3) and (2.4) are in the form

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(X+\delta) + f(X-\delta)}{2} = f(X)$$

(the functions $\mathcal{B}_n(X)$ and $\mathcal{B}_{n,\chi}(X)$ have discontinuity at $X \in \mathbb{Z}$ when $n = 1$, with

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \mathcal{B}_1(X \mp \delta) &= \pm 1/2, \text{ for } X \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \mathcal{B}_{1,\chi}(X \mp \delta) &= \mathcal{B}_{1,\chi}(X) \pm \frac{\bar{\chi}(-X)}{2}, \text{ for } X \in \mathbb{Z}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

and otherwise are continuous). It is clear that

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X) \mathcal{B}_q(Y) \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{2} \{ \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X + \delta\alpha) + \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X - \delta\alpha) \} \frac{1}{2} \{ \mathcal{B}_q(Y + \delta\beta) + \mathcal{B}_q(Y - \delta\beta) \} \\ &= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{2} \{ \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X + \delta\alpha) \mathcal{B}_q(Y + \delta\beta) + \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X - \delta\alpha) \mathcal{B}_q(Y - \delta\beta) \} \\ &\quad + \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{4} \{ \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X - \delta\alpha) - \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X + \delta\alpha) \} \{ \mathcal{B}_q(Y + \delta\beta) - \mathcal{B}_q(Y - \delta\beta) \}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

where $0 \leq \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. Then, (2.6) and (2.7) entail that

$$\begin{aligned} &\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{2} \{ \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X + \delta\alpha) \mathcal{B}_q(Y + \delta\beta) + \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X - \delta\alpha) \mathcal{B}_q(Y - \delta\beta) \} \\ &= \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi}(X) \mathcal{B}_q(Y) + C_{p,q}(X, Y; \chi), \end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

where

$$C_{p,q}(X, Y; \chi) = \begin{cases} \frac{\bar{\chi}(-X)}{4}, & \text{if } p = q = 1 \text{ and } (X, Y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- **The case $p \neq 1$ or $q \neq 1$ or $(x, y, z) \notin (-ak, -b, ck) \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{Z}^3$.**

$((a(\lambda + z)/c + x, b(\lambda + z)/ck + y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \Rightarrow x = -akR + x_1, y = -bR + y_1$ and $z = ckR + z_1$ for some $R \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_1, y_1, z_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$.)

Setting $\lambda = v + jk, 0 \leq v < k, 0 \leq j < c$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) &= \sum_{\lambda=0}^{ck-1} \chi_1(\lambda) \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2} \left(a \frac{\lambda + z}{c} + x \right) \mathcal{B}_q \left(b \frac{\lambda + z}{ck} + y \right) \\ &= A_p(\chi_2) A_q \sum_{\lambda=0}^{ck-1} \chi_1(\lambda) \sum_{\substack{m=-\infty \\ m \neq 0}}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{r=-\infty \\ r \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_2(m)}{m^p r^q} e^{2\pi i((ma+rb) \frac{\lambda+z}{kc} + \frac{m x}{k} + r y)} \\ &= A_p(\chi_2) A_q \sum_{\substack{m=-\infty \\ m \neq 0}}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{r=-\infty \\ r \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_2(m)}{m^p r^q} e^{2\pi i(\frac{ma+rb}{kc} z + \frac{m x}{k} + r y)} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{v=0}^{k-1} \chi_1(v) e^{2\pi i(ma+rb)v/ck} \sum_{j=0}^{c-1} e^{2\pi i(ma+rb)j/c}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

by (2.3) and (2.4). Since

$$\sum_{j=0}^{c-1} e^{2\pi i(ma+rb)j/c} = \begin{cases} c, & ma + rb \equiv 0 \pmod{c}, \\ 0, & ma + rb \not\equiv 0 \pmod{c}, \end{cases}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) &= cb^q A_p(\chi_2) A_q \sum'_{ma \neq nc} \frac{\chi_2(m) e^{2\pi i(nz+mx+\frac{nc-ma}{b}yk)/k}}{m^p(nc-ma)^q} \sum_{v=1}^{k-1} \chi_1(v) e^{2\pi inv/k} \\ &= cb^q G(\chi_1) A_p(\chi_2) A_q \sum'_{ma \neq nc} \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{m^p(nc-ma)^q} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx+\frac{nc-ma}{b}yk)/k}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

where we have used (2.5). Here and in the sequel, we write

$$\sum' \text{ for } \sum_{\substack{m=-\infty \\ m \neq 0}}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\substack{m=-M \\ m \neq 0}}^M \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\substack{n=-N \\ n \neq 0}}^N.$$

We now utilize the partial fractions

$$\frac{1}{x^p(1-x)^q} = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha_{p-j}}{x^{p-j}} + \sum_{l=0}^{q-1} \frac{\beta_{q-l}}{(1-x)^{q-l}}$$

in (2.10). Simple calculation gives $\alpha_{p-j} = \binom{q+j-1}{j}$, $0 \leq j < p$ and $\beta_{q-l} = \binom{p+l-1}{l}$, $0 \leq l < q$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum'_{ma \neq nc} \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{m^p(nc-ma)^q} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx+\frac{nc-ma}{b}yk)/k} \\ &= a^p \sum'_{ma \neq nc} \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{\left(\frac{ma}{nc}\right)^p \left(1 - \frac{ma}{nc}\right)^q (nc)^{p+q}} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx+\frac{nc-ma}{b}yk)/k} \\ &= a^p \sum'_{ma \neq nc} \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{(nc)^{p+q}} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx+\frac{nc-ma}{b}yk)/k} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha_{p-j}}{\left(\frac{ma}{nc}\right)^{p-j}} + \sum_{l=0}^{q-1} \frac{\beta_{q-l}}{\left(1 - \frac{ma}{nc}\right)^{q-l}} \right) \\ &= a^p \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha_{p-j}}{a^{p-j} c^{q+j}} \sum'_{ma \neq nc} \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{m^{p-j} n^{q+j}} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx+\frac{nc-ma}{b}yk)/k} \\ &\quad + a^p \sum_{l=0}^{q-1} \frac{\beta_{q-l}}{c^{p+l}} \sum'_{ma \neq nc} \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(n) \chi_2(m)}{n^{p+l} (nc-ma)^{q-l}} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx+\frac{nc-ma}{b}yk)/k}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

Using the Fourier series representation of $\mathcal{B}_{n,\chi}(x)$ we see that

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum'_{ma \neq nc} \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{m^{p-j} n^{q+j}} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx+\frac{nc-ma}{b}yk)/k} \\ &= \frac{\mathcal{B}_{p-j,\chi_2}\left(x - \frac{aky}{b}\right) \mathcal{B}_{q+j,\bar{\chi}_1}\left(\frac{cky}{b} + z\right)}{A_{p-j}(\chi_2) A_{q+j}(\bar{\chi}_1)} - \sum_{ma=nc} \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{m^{p-j} n^{q+j}} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx)/k}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

Since $(a, c) = 1$ and $ma = nc$, we have $n = ra$ and $m = rc$. Then

$$\sum_{ma=nc}' \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{m^{p-j} n^{q+j}} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx)/k} = \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(a) \chi_2(c)}{c^{p-j} a^{q+j}} \sum_{\substack{r=-\infty \\ r \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_2(r) \bar{\chi}_1(r)}{r^{p+q}} e^{2\pi i(az+cx)r/k}. \tag{2.13}$$

Notice that the contribution of (2.13) to (2.12) is zero since $\bar{\chi}_1(a) = 0$ by the condition $a \equiv 0 \pmod{k}$. Similar to (2.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & s_{q,p}(b, c, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; y, z, x) \\ &= A_q(\bar{\chi}_1) A_p \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{r=-\infty \\ r \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(n)}{n^q r^p} e^{2\pi i(\frac{nb+rc}{ak}x + \frac{ny}{k} + rz)} \sum_{v=0}^{k-1} \bar{\chi}_2(v) e^{2\pi i(nb+rc)v/ak} \sum_{j=0}^{a-1} e^{2\pi i(nb+rc)j/a}. \end{aligned}$$

Using

$$\sum_{j=0}^{a-1} e^{2\pi i(nb+rc)j/a} = \begin{cases} a, & nb + rc \equiv 0 \pmod{a}, \\ 0, & nb + rc \not\equiv 0 \pmod{a}, \end{cases}$$

and then taking $nb = ma - rc$, with the use of $(bc, k) = 1$ and $a \equiv 0 \pmod{k}$, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} & s_{q,p}(b, c, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; y, z, x) \\ &= ab^q \chi_1(b) A_q(\bar{\chi}_1) A_p \sum_{ma \neq rc}' \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(ma - rc)}{r^p (ma - rc)^q} e^{2\pi i(mx+rkz + \frac{ma-rc}{b}y)/k} \sum_{v=0}^{k-1} \bar{\chi}_2(v) e^{2\pi imv/k} \\ &= ab^q \chi_1(b) \bar{\chi}_1(-c) G(\bar{\chi}_2) A_q(\bar{\chi}_1) A_p \sum_{ma \neq rc}' \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(r) \chi_2(m)}{r^p (ma - rc)^q} e^{2\pi i(mx+rkz + \frac{ma-rc}{b}y)/k}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{ma \neq nc}' \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(n) \chi_2(m)}{n^{p+l} (nc - ma)^{q-l}} e^{2\pi i(nz+mx + \frac{nc-ma}{b}yk)/k} \\ &= \frac{\chi_1(-c) \bar{\chi}_1(b) (-1)^{q-l}}{ab^{q-l} G(\bar{\chi}_2) A_{q-l}(\bar{\chi}_1) A_{p+l}} s_{q-l,p+l}(b, c, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; -yk, z/k, x). \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

Combining (2.10), (2.11), (2.12), (2.13) and (2.14), after some simplifications, we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} & s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) \\ &= q \frac{b^q}{(ck)^{q-1}} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \binom{p}{j} \frac{(a/c)^j}{q+j} \mathcal{B}_{q+j, \bar{\chi}_1} \left(ck \frac{y}{b} + z \right) \mathcal{B}_{p-j, \chi_2} \left(-ak \frac{y}{b} + x \right) \\ & \quad + p \bar{\chi}_1(b) \chi_1(-c) (a/c)^{p-1} k^{p-q} \\ & \quad \times \sum_{l=0}^{q-1} \binom{q}{l} \frac{(bk/c)^l}{p+l} (-1)^{q-l} s_{q-l,p+l}(b, c, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; -ky, z/k, x). \end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

Taking $y \rightarrow y + h$ in (2.15) and summing over h from 0 to $b - 1$ give

$$\begin{aligned}
 & bs_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) \\
 &= \frac{b^q}{(ck)^{q-1}} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \binom{p}{j} \frac{q}{q+j} (a/c)^j s_{q+j,p-j}^*(c, -a, b; \bar{\chi}_1, \chi_2; x, z, y) \\
 &\quad + bp\bar{\chi}_1(b) \chi_1(-c) (a/c)^{p-1} k^{p-q} \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{l=0}^{q-1} \binom{q}{l} \frac{(bk/c)^l}{p+l} (-1)^{q-l} s_{q-l,p+l}(b, c, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; -ky, z/k, x),
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

which is (2.1) for $p \neq 1$ or $q \neq 1$ or $(x, y, z) \notin (-ak, -b, ck) \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{Z}^3$.

- **The case $p = q = 1$ and $(x, y, z) \in (-ak, -b, ck) \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{Z}^3$.**

For $p = q = 1$ and $(x, y, z) \notin (-ak, -b, ck) \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{Z}^3$, we have already proved that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & s_{1,1}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) \\
 &= s_{1,1}^*(c, -a, b; \bar{\chi}_1, \chi_2; z, x, y) - \bar{\chi}_1(b) \chi_1(-c) s_{1,1}(b, c, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; -ky, z/k, x).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

Without loss of generality, we substitute $x = -akR + x_1$, $y = -bR + y_1$ and $z = ckR + z_1 \mp ck\delta$ in (2.17) for some $R \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_1, y_1, z_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then adding gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda=0}^{ck-1} \chi_1(\lambda) \left\{ \mathcal{B}_{1,\chi_2} \left(a \frac{\lambda + z_1}{c} + x_1 + \delta ak \right) \mathcal{B}_1 \left(b \frac{\lambda + z_1}{ck} + y_1 + \delta b \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \mathcal{B}_{1,\chi_2} \left(a \frac{\lambda + z_1}{c} + x_1 - \delta ak \right) \mathcal{B}_1 \left(b \frac{\lambda + z_1}{ck} + y_1 - \delta b \right) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{b-1} \mathcal{B}_{1,\chi_2} \left(-ak \frac{j + y_1}{b} + x_1 \right) \\
 & \quad \times \left\{ \mathcal{B}_{1,\bar{\chi}_1} \left(ck \frac{j + y_1}{b} + z_1 + \delta ck \right) + \mathcal{B}_{1,\bar{\chi}_1} \left(ck \frac{j + y_1}{b} + z_1 - \delta ck \right) \right\} \\
 & - \bar{\chi}_1(b) \chi_1(-c) \frac{1}{2} \sum_{v=0}^{ak-1} \bar{\chi}_2(v) \mathcal{B}_{1,\bar{\chi}_1} \left(b \frac{v + x_1}{ak} - ky_1 \right) \\
 & \quad \times \left\{ \mathcal{B}_1 \left(c \frac{v + x_1}{a} + \frac{z_1}{k} + c\delta \right) + \mathcal{B}_1 \left(c \frac{v + x_1}{a} + \frac{z_1}{k} - c\delta \right) \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $z_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$, there exists $\lambda_{z_1} \in \{0, 1, \dots, ck - 1\}$ such that $\lambda_{z_1} + z_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{ck}$. Therefore, by letting $\delta \rightarrow 0^+$

it follows from (2.8) and $\mathcal{B}_1\left(b\frac{\lambda_{z_1+z_1}}{ck} + y_1\right) = \mathcal{B}_1(0) = 0$ that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{\lambda=0 \\ \lambda \not\equiv -z_1 \pmod{ck}}}^{ck-1} \chi_1(\lambda) \mathcal{B}_{1,\chi_2}\left(a\frac{\lambda+z_1}{c} + x_1\right) \mathcal{B}_1\left(b\frac{\lambda+z_1}{ck} + y_1\right) + \frac{1}{4}\chi_1(-z_1)\bar{\chi}_2(-x_1) \\ &= s_{1,1}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x_1, y_1, z_1) + \frac{1}{4}\chi_1(-z_1)\bar{\chi}_2(-x_1) \\ &= s_{1,1}^*(c, -a, b; \bar{\chi}_1, \chi_2; x_1, z_1, y_1) - \bar{\chi}_1(b)\chi_1(-c)s_{1,1}(b, c, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; -ky_1, z_1/k, x_1), \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to (2.1) for $p = q = 1$ and $(x, y, z) \in (-ak, -b, ck)\mathbb{R} + \mathbb{Z}^3$ because of

$$a\frac{\lambda+z}{c} + x = a\frac{\lambda+z_1}{c} + x_1 \text{ and } b\frac{\lambda+z}{ck} + y = b\frac{\lambda+z_1}{ck} + y_1$$

for $x = -akR + x_1, y = -bR + y_1, z = ckR + z_1, R \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_1, y_1, z_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$. □

Note that for $q = 1$, (2.1) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} & \chi_1(b)s_{p,1}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) + (a/ck)^{p-1}\chi_1(-c)s_{1,p}(b, c, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; -ky, z/k, x) \\ &= \frac{\chi_1(b)}{p+1} \sum_{j=1}^p \binom{p+1}{j} \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^{j-1} s_{j,p+1-j}^*(c, -a, b; \bar{\chi}_1, \chi_2; z, x, y) + \chi_1(b)E_{p,1}. \end{aligned}$$

Observing that $s_{j,p+1-j}^*(c, -a, b; \bar{\chi}_1, \chi_2; z, x, y) = \mathcal{B}_{j,\bar{\chi}_1}(z)\mathcal{B}_{p-j,\chi_2}(x)$ for $b = 1$ and $y = 0$, this formula will be simpler, for example,

$$\begin{aligned} & s_{p,1}(a, c; \chi_1, \chi_2) + (a/ck)^{p-1}\chi_1(-c)\chi_2(c)s_{1,p}(c^{-1}, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1) \\ &= \frac{1}{p+1} \sum_{j=1}^p \binom{p+1}{j} (a/c)^{j-1} \mathcal{B}_{j,\bar{\chi}_1}\mathcal{B}_{p-j,\chi_2}, \end{aligned}$$

where $s_{m,n}(a, c; \chi_1, \chi_2) = s_{m,n}(a, 1, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; 0, 0, 0)$ and $cc^{-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{ak}$.

Although the sum $s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z)$ is a generalization of the sums defined in [7, 19, 20], **Theorem 2.1** does not include the corresponding reciprocity formulas. However, the following theorem covers the reciprocity formulas derived previously.

Theorem 2.2 *Let a, b and c be pairwise coprime positive integers. Let χ_1 and χ_2 be nonprincipal primitive characters of modulus k . Then, for $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ and $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$*

$$\begin{aligned} & s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) \\ &= q(b/ck)^{q-1} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \binom{p}{j} \frac{(a/c)^j}{q+j} s_{p-j,q+j}^*(-a, c, b; \chi_2, \bar{\chi}_1; x, z, y) \\ &+ p(a/c)^{p-1} \sum_{l=0}^q \binom{q}{l} \frac{(b/kc)^l}{p+l} (-1)^{q-l} s_{p+l,q-l}(c, b, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; z, -y, x) + E_{p,q}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

where $E_{p,q}$ is given by (2.2),

Remark 2.3 The reciprocity formulas given by Dağlı and Can [20, Theorem 1], Cenkci et al. [19, Theorem 5.4], Berndt [7, Theorem 7] are special cases of **Theorem 2.2** for $x = z = 0$, for $\chi_1 = \chi_2$, for $p = 1$, $\chi_1 = \chi_2$ and in all cases $q = b = 1$ and $y = 0$, respectively.

In particular,

$$s_{1,1}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) + s_{1,1}(c, b, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; z, -y, x) - s_{1,1}^*(-a, c, b; \chi_2, \bar{\chi}_1; x, z, y) = \frac{b}{2kc} s_{2,0}(c, b, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; z, -y, x) + E_{1,1}. \tag{2.19}$$

In the case $x = y = z = 0$, (2.19) was first proved by Berndt [12, Theorem 7.2] for arbitrary periodic sequences $\{a_n\}$ and $\{c_n\}$, $(-\infty < n < \infty)$ of period k (instead of $\{\chi_1(n)\}$ and $\{\chi_2(n)\}$).

Moreover, for $p = 1$ and $x = y = z = 0$, (2.18) reduces to

$$s_{1,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2) - (b/ck)^{q-1} s_{1,q}^*(-a, c, b; \chi_2, \bar{\chi}_1) = \frac{1}{q+1} \sum_{l=1}^{q+1} \binom{q+1}{l} (b/ck)^{l-1} (-1)^{q+1-l} s_{l,q+1-l}(c, b, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1),$$

where $s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2) = s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; 0, 0, 0)$. For $b = 1$, this is analogue to the formulas including character Hardy–Berndt sums given in [13, p. 15 and p. 17].

Proof [Proof of **Theorem 2.2**] We consider the following three cases: **I)** $p \geq 2$, $q \geq 2$, **II)** $p \geq 2$, $q = 1$ and **III)** $p = 1$, $q \geq 1$.

I) The case $p \geq 2$, $q \geq 2$.

We already have from (2.10)

$$s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) = cb^q G(\chi_1) A_p(\chi_2) A_q \sum_{\substack{m=-\infty \\ m \neq 0}}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0 \\ ma \neq nc}}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{m^p (nc - ma)^q} e^{2\pi i(nz + mx + \frac{nc - ma}{b} yk)/k} = cb^q G(\chi_1) A_p(\chi_2) A_q \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{m=-\infty \\ m \neq 0 \\ nc \neq ma}}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_2(m) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{m^p (nc - ma)^q} e^{2\pi i(nz + mx + \frac{nc - ma}{b} yk)/k}, \tag{2.20}$$

where the implied interchange of order of summation is justified by absolute convergence. We now combine

(2.20), (2.11), (2.12) and (2.13) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z)}{cb^q G(\chi_1) A_p(\chi_2) A_q} \\
 &= a^p \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha_{p-j}}{a^{p-j} c^{q+j}} \frac{\mathcal{B}_{p-j, \chi_2} \left(x - \frac{aky}{b}\right) \mathcal{B}_{q+j, \bar{\chi}_1} \left(\frac{cky}{b} + z\right)}{A_{p-j}(\chi_2) A_{q+j}(\bar{\chi}_1)} \\
 & - a^p \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \frac{\alpha_{p-j}}{a^{p-j} c^{q+j}} \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(a) \chi_2(c)}{c^{p-j} a^{q+j}} \sum_{\substack{r=-\infty \\ r \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_2(r) \bar{\chi}_1(r)}{r^{p+q}} e^{2\pi i (az+cx)r/k} \\
 & + a^p \sum_{l=0}^{q-1} \frac{\beta_{q-l}}{c^{p+l}} \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{m=-\infty \\ m \neq 0 \\ nc \neq ma}}^{\infty} \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(n) \chi_2(m)}{n^{p+l} (nc - ma)^{q-l}} e^{2\pi i (nz+mx + \frac{nc-ma}{b} yk)/k}. \tag{2.21}
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking $a \leftrightarrow c$, $x \leftrightarrow z$ and $\bar{\chi}_1 \leftrightarrow \chi_2$ in (2.10) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 & s_{p,q}(c, b, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; z, y, x) \\
 &= ab^q G(\bar{\chi}_2) A_p(\bar{\chi}_1) A_q \sum_{\substack{m=-\infty \\ m \neq 0}}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0 \\ ma \neq nc}}^{\infty} \frac{\bar{\chi}_1(m) \chi_2(n)}{m^p (na - mc)^q} e^{2\pi i (nx+mz + \frac{na-mc}{b} yk)/k}. \tag{2.22}
 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, similar to (2.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & s_{p+q,0}(c, b, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; z, -y, x) \\
 &= \bar{\chi}_1(a) \chi_2(c) \frac{G(\bar{\chi}_2) A_{p+q}(\bar{\chi}_1)}{a^{p+q-1}} \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{\chi_2(n) \bar{\chi}_1(n)}{n^{p+q}} e^{2\pi i (az+cx)n/k}. \tag{2.23}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, combining (2.21), (2.22), (2.23) and using that

$$\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \alpha_{p-j} = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \binom{q+j-1}{j} = \binom{q+p-1}{p-1},$$

after simplifications, we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) \\
 &= \frac{b^q}{(ck)^{q-1}} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \binom{p}{j} \frac{q}{q+j} (a/c)^j \mathcal{B}_{p-j, \chi_2} \left(-ak \frac{y}{b} + x\right) \mathcal{B}_{q+j, \bar{\chi}_1} \left(ck \frac{y}{b} + z\right) \\
 & + \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^{p-1} \sum_{l=0}^q \binom{q}{l} \frac{p}{p+l} \left(\frac{b}{ck}\right)^l (-1)^{q-l} s_{p+l, q-l}(c, b, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; z, -y, x).
 \end{aligned}$$

As in (2.16), taking $y \rightarrow y + h$ and then summing over h from 0 to $b - 1$ give

$$\begin{aligned}
 & bs_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) \\
 &= b \frac{b^{q-1}}{(ck)^{q-1}} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \binom{p}{j} \frac{q}{q+j} (a/c)^j s_{p-j,q+j}^*(-a, c, b; \chi_2, \bar{\chi}_1; x, z, y) \\
 &+ b \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^{p-1} \sum_{l=0}^q \binom{q}{l} \frac{p}{p+l} \left(\frac{b}{ck}\right)^l (-1)^{q-l} s_{p+l,q-l}(c, b, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; z, -y, x),
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.24}$$

which is (2.18) for $p \geq 2, q \geq 2$ and $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$.

II) The case $p \geq 2, q = 1$.

In this case we take advantage of the differential properties of the Bernoulli functions

$$\frac{d}{dx} \mathcal{B}_n(x) = n\mathcal{B}_{n-1}(x) \text{ and } \frac{d}{dx} \mathcal{B}_{n,\chi}(x) = n\mathcal{B}_{n-1,\chi}(x), \quad n \geq 1, x \notin \mathbb{Z}.$$

We use (2.24) for $p \geq 2, q = 2$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{v=0}^{ck-1} \chi_1(v) \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2}\left(a\frac{v+z}{c} + x\right) \mathcal{B}_2\left(b\frac{v+z}{ck} + y\right) \\
 &= 2\frac{b}{ck} \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \binom{p}{j} \frac{(a/c)^j}{2+j} \sum_{v=0}^{b-1} \mathcal{B}_{p-j,\chi_2}\left(-ak\frac{v+y}{b} + x\right) \mathcal{B}_{2+j,\bar{\chi}_1}\left(ck\frac{v+y}{b} + z\right) \\
 &+ \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^{p-1} \sum_{l=0}^2 \binom{2}{l} \frac{p}{p+l} \left(\frac{b}{ck}\right)^l (-1)^l \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{v=0}^{ak-1} \bar{\chi}_2(v) \mathcal{B}_{p+l,\bar{\chi}_1}\left(c\frac{v+x}{a} + z\right) \mathcal{B}_{2-l}\left(b\frac{v+x}{ak} - y\right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.25}$$

Let $bz + cky \notin \mathbb{Z}$ and $bx - ak y \notin \mathbb{Z}$. Differentiating both sides of (2.25) with respect to y gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 & s_{p,1}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2; x, y, z) \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \binom{p}{j} \frac{1}{1+j} (a/c)^j s_{p-j,1+j}^*(-a, c, b; \chi_2, \bar{\chi}_1; x, z, y) \\
 &+ \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^{p-1} \sum_{l=0}^1 \binom{1}{l} \frac{p}{p+l} \left(\frac{b}{ck}\right)^l (-1)^{1-l} s_{p+l,1-l}(c, b, a; \bar{\chi}_2, \bar{\chi}_1; z, -y, x),
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.26}$$

which is (2.18) for $p \geq 2, q = 1$ and $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ with $bz + cky \notin \mathbb{Z}$ and $bx - ak y \notin \mathbb{Z}$.

If $bz + cky \in \mathbb{Z}$ or $bx - ak y \in \mathbb{Z}$, then we take $y \rightarrow y \mp \delta$ in (2.25) such that $bz + ck(y \mp \delta) \notin \mathbb{Z}$ and $bx - ak(y \mp \delta) \notin \mathbb{Z}$. Then (2.26) holds for $bz + ck(y \mp \delta) \notin \mathbb{Z}$ and $bx - ak(y \mp \delta) \notin \mathbb{Z}$. Adding (as in the case $p = q = 1$ and $(x, y, z) \in (-ak, -b, ck)\mathbb{R} + \mathbb{Z}^3$ in the proof of Theorem 2.1) and then letting $\delta \rightarrow 0^+$, with the use of (2.6), give (2.18) for $p \geq 2, q = 1$ and for all $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$.

III) The case $p = 1, q \geq 1$.

If $bx - ak y \notin \mathbb{Z}$, the proof is similar to the previous case, where now we set $p = 2, q \geq 1$ in (2.24). Differentiating both sides of the resulting equation with respect to x gives (2.18) for $p = 1, q \geq 1$ and $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ with $bx - ak y \notin \mathbb{Z}$.

If $bx - ak y \in \mathbb{Z}$, then we take $x \rightarrow x \mp \delta$ so that (2.18) holds for $p = 1, q \geq 1$ and $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $b(x \mp \delta) - ak y \notin \mathbb{Z}$. Adding the resulting equations gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\lambda=0}^{ck-1} \chi_1(\lambda) \mathcal{B}_q \left(b \frac{\lambda + z}{ck} + y \right) \\ & \times \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \mathcal{B}_{1, \chi_2} \left(a \frac{\lambda + z}{c} + x + \delta \right) + \mathcal{B}_{1, \chi_2} \left(a \frac{\lambda + z}{c} + x - \delta \right) \right\} \\ & = (b/ck)^{q-1} \sum_{v=0}^{b-1} \mathcal{B}_{q, \bar{\chi}_1} \left(ck \frac{v + y}{b} + z \right) \\ & \times \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \mathcal{B}_{1, \chi_2} \left(-ak \frac{v + y}{b} + x + \delta \right) + \mathcal{B}_{1, \chi_2} \left(-ak \frac{v + y}{b} + x - \delta \right) \right\} \\ & + \sum_{l=0}^q \binom{q}{l} \frac{(b/ck)^l}{1+l} (-1)^{q-l} \sum_{v=0}^{ak-1} \bar{\chi}_2(v) \\ & \times \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \mathcal{B}_{1+l, \bar{\chi}_1} \left(c \frac{v + x}{a} + z + \frac{c\delta}{a} \right) \mathcal{B}_{q-l} \left(b \frac{v + x}{ak} - y + \frac{b\delta}{ak} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \mathcal{B}_{1+l, \bar{\chi}_1} \left(c \frac{v + x}{a} + z - \frac{c\delta}{a} \right) \mathcal{B}_{q-l} \left(b \frac{v + x}{ak} - y - \frac{b\delta}{ak} \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now assume that $x = -akR + x_1, y = -bR + y_1$ for some $R \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$, so $bx - ak y \in \mathbb{Z}$. Let $z = ckR + z_1$. Then, (2.18) follows from (2.8) by letting $\delta \rightarrow 0^+$ for the cases ($q \neq 1$ or $z_1 \notin \mathbb{Z}$) and ($q = 1$ and $z_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$), separately. □

3. Petersson–Knopp type identities

For the sum $s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2)$ the following Petersson–Knopp type identities hold.

Theorem 3.1 *Let χ_1 and χ_2 be nonprincipal primitive characters of modulus k . Then, for $(n, k) = 1, n \in \mathbb{N}$*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{d|n} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \bar{\chi}_2(d) d^{p+q-2} \sum_{r=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d s_{p,q} \left(\frac{n}{d} a + rck, \frac{n}{d} b + jck, dc; \chi_1, \chi_2 \right) \\ & = n \bar{\chi}_1(n) \sigma_{p+q-1}(n; \chi_1, \bar{\chi}_2) s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2), \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

where $\sigma_m(n; \chi_1, \chi_2) = \sum_{d|n} d^m \chi_1(d) \chi_2(d)$.

In addition, if $(n, b) = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{d|n} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \bar{\chi}_2(d) d^{p-1} \sum_{r=1}^d s_{p,q} \left(\frac{n}{d}a + rck, b, dc; \chi_1, \chi_2 \right) \\ &= n^{1-q} \bar{\chi}_1(n) \sigma_{p+q-1}(n; \chi_1, \bar{\chi}_2) s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2). \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

Note that for $\chi_1 = \bar{\chi}_2 = \chi$, (3.1) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{d|n} d^{p+q-2} \sum_{r=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d s_{p,q} \left(\frac{n}{d}a + rck, \frac{n}{d}b + jck, dc; \chi, \bar{\chi} \right) \\ &= n\bar{\chi}(n) \sigma_{p+q-1}(n; \chi, \chi) s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi, \bar{\chi}). \end{aligned}$$

To prove **Theorem 3.1**, we need the following two lemmas.

Lemma 3.2 ([42, Lemma 3]) *If $v \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $d \in \mathbb{N}$, then*

$$\sum_{j=1}^d \mathcal{B}_q \left(x + \frac{jk}{d} \right) = (v, d)^q d^{1-q} \mathcal{B}_q \left(\frac{dx}{(v, d)} \right). \tag{3.3}$$

Lemma 3.3 *Let χ be a nonprincipal primitive character modulo k . Then, for $(d, k) = 1$,*

$$\sum_{r=1}^d \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi} \left(x + vk \frac{r}{d} \right) = (d, v)^p d^{1-p} \chi \left(\frac{d}{(d, v)} \right) \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi} \left(\frac{xd}{(d, v)} \right). \tag{3.4}$$

Proof Let $(d, v) = l$ and set $d = ld_1$, $v = lv_1$. From (1.6)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^d \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi} \left(x + vk \frac{r}{d} \right) &= k^{p-1} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \bar{\chi}(j) \sum_{r=1}^d \mathcal{B}_p \left(\frac{x+j}{k} + \frac{vr}{d} \right) \\ &= lk^{p-1} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \bar{\chi}(j) \sum_{r=1}^{d_1} \mathcal{B}_p \left(\frac{x+j}{k} + \frac{v_1 r}{d_1} \right) \\ &= lk^{p-1} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \bar{\chi}(j) \sum_{r=1}^{d_1} \mathcal{B}_p \left(\frac{x+j}{k} + \frac{r}{d_1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

From the well-known multiplication formula of $\mathcal{B}_n(x)$

$$\mathcal{B}_n(mx) = m^{n-1} \sum_{r=0}^{m-1} \mathcal{B}_n \left(x + \frac{r}{m} \right) \tag{3.5}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^d \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi} \left(x + vk \frac{r}{d} \right) &= l (d_1)^{1-p} k^{p-1} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \bar{\chi}(j) \mathcal{B}_p \left(\frac{xd_1 + jd_1}{k} \right) \\ &\stackrel{(d_1,k)=1}{=} l^p d^{1-p} \chi \left(\frac{d}{l} \right) k^{p-1} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \bar{\chi}(j) \mathcal{B}_p \left(\frac{xd_1 + j}{k} \right) \\ &= l^p d^{1-p} \chi \left(\frac{d}{l} \right) \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi} \left(\frac{xd}{l} \right) \end{aligned}$$

by (1.6). □

Note that in the case $v = 1$, (3.4) occurs in [15, Eq. (3.13)].

Proof [Proof of Theorem 3.1] We prove (3.1), the proof of (3.2) is similar, so we omit it. From (3.3) and (3.4),

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{d|n} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \bar{\chi}_2(d) d^{p+q-2} \sum_{r=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d s_{p,q} \left(\frac{n}{d}a + rck, \frac{n}{d}b + jck, dc; \chi_1, \chi_2 \right) \\ &= \sum_{d|n} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \bar{\chi}_2(d) d^{p+q-2} \sum_{v=1}^{dck} \chi_1(v) \sum_{r=1}^d \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2} \left(\frac{nav}{d^2c} + \frac{rvk}{d} \right) \sum_{j=1}^d \mathcal{B}_q \left(\frac{nbv}{d^2ck} + \frac{jv}{d} \right) \\ &= \sum_{d|n} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \bar{\chi}_2(d) \sum_{v=1}^{dck} \chi_1(v) (d,v)^{p+q} \chi_2(d/(d,v)) \\ &\quad \times \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2} \left(\frac{nav}{(d,v)dc} \right) \mathcal{B}_q \left(\frac{nbv}{(d,v)dck} \right) \\ &\stackrel{l=(d,v)}{=} \sum_{d|n} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \sum_{l|d} \bar{\chi}_2(l) l^{p+q} \sum_{\substack{v=1 \\ (v,d)=l}}^{dck} \chi_1(v) \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2} \left(\frac{nav}{ldc} \right) \mathcal{B}_q \left(\frac{nbv}{ldck} \right) \\ &= \sum_{d|n} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \sum_{l|d} \bar{\chi}_2(l) l^{p+q} \sum_{\substack{v=1 \\ (v,\frac{d}{l})=1}}^{dck/l} \chi_1(l) \chi_1(v) \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2} \left(\frac{nav}{dc} \right) \mathcal{B}_q \left(\frac{nbv}{dck} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

We need the following two properties of the Mobius μ -function:

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \tag{3.7}$$

and

$$\sum_{\substack{v=1 \\ (v,d)=1}}^{ad} f(v) = \sum_{t|d} \mu(t) \sum_{v=1}^{ad/t} f(tv). \tag{3.8}$$

Utilizing (3.7) and (3.8), the right-hand side of (3.6) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{d|n} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \sum_{l|d} \chi_1(l) \bar{\chi}_2(l) l^{p+q} \sum_{t|\frac{d}{l}} \mu(t) \sum_{v=1}^{\frac{dck}{lt}} \chi_1(vt) \mathcal{B}_{p,\chi_2}\left(\frac{vna}{dc/l}\right) \mathcal{B}_q\left(\frac{nbv/l}{dck/lt}\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|n} \sum_{l|d} \sum_{t|\frac{d}{l}} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \chi_1(lt) \bar{\chi}_2(l) l^{p+q} \mu(t) s_{p,q}\left(\frac{na}{l}, \frac{nb}{l}, \frac{dc}{lt}; \chi_1, \chi_2\right) \\ &= \sum_{tlh|n} \bar{\chi}_1(h) \bar{\chi}_2(l) l^{p+q} \mu(t) s_{p,q}\left(\frac{na}{l}, \frac{nb}{l}, hc; \chi_1, \chi_2\right) \\ &= \sum_{lh|n} \bar{\chi}_1(h) \bar{\chi}_2(l) l^{p+q} s_{p,q}\left(\frac{na}{l}, \frac{nb}{l}, hc; \chi_1, \chi_2\right) \sum_{t|\frac{n}{lh}} \mu(t) \\ &= \sum_{lh=n} \bar{\chi}_1(h) \bar{\chi}_2(l) l^{p+q} s_{p,q}(ha, hb, hc; \chi_1, \chi_2). \end{aligned}$$

Here, using that

$$s_{p,q}(ha, hb, hc; \chi_1, \chi_2) = h s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2), \quad h \in \mathbb{N}$$

which follows from the definition of $s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2)$, gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{d|n} d^{p+q-2} \bar{\chi}_1(d) \bar{\chi}_2(d) \sum_{r=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^d s_{p,q}\left(\frac{n}{d}a + rck, \frac{n}{d}b + jck, dc; \chi_1, \chi_2\right) \\ &= \sum_{lh=n} \bar{\chi}_1(h) \bar{\chi}_2(l) l^{p+q} h s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2) \\ &= n \sum_{l|n} \bar{\chi}_1\left(\frac{n}{l}\right) \bar{\chi}_2(l) l^{p+q-1} s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2) \\ &= n \bar{\chi}_1(n) \sigma_{p+q-1}(n; \chi_1, \bar{\chi}_2) s_{p,q}(a, b, c; \chi_1, \chi_2). \end{aligned}$$

This proves (3.1). □

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