

CHAPTER - VII

AN EXTENSION OF $f_n^c(x)$

7.1 INTRODUCTION

An elegant extension of the generating relation 2.1(3) may be given in the form

$$(1) \quad H(t) \Psi[\bar{x} S(t)] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \phi_n(x) t^n,$$

where

$$(2) \quad H(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h_k t^{mk}, \quad (h_0 = 1)$$

$$(3) \quad \Psi(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} v_n z^n, \quad (v_n \neq 0)$$

$$(4) \quad S(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} s_k t^{mk+1}, \quad (s_0 \neq 0)$$

and m is a positive integer.

The generating relation (1) - (4) includes also the following generating relation, due to Boas and Buck [1]

$$(5) \quad A(t) \Psi[\bar{x} B(t)] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q_n(x) t^n,$$

where

$$(6) \quad A(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k t^k, \quad a_0 \neq 0$$

$$(7) \quad B(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k t^{k+1}, \quad b_0 \neq 0,$$

to which (1)-(4) would reduce when $m = 1$,

In the generating relation (1)-(4) if γ_n is replaced by $\frac{1}{n!}$, the corresponding polynomials which we denote by $s_n(x)$ would provide a generalization of the polynomials $\int_n^c(x)$ considered in Chapter V. In this Chapter we first derive an expansion formula for the product of an arbitrary number of polynomials $s_{n_i}^i(a_i x)$, $i=1,2,\dots,p$ (say) in terms of $s_q(x)$, each of which possesses a generating relation 7.2(4) and then we obtain the generating relation for the coefficients (n_1, \dots, n_p) D_q involved in the expansion. This result, besides generalizing the generating function given in Chapter V, also provides as with an extension of a result due to Carlitz [5].

This Chapter also contains the results of our investigations in the direction of providing a unification and generalization of the work of Brown[1], Brown and Goldberg[1], and Thakare and Madhekar[1] on characterization of polynomial sets which possess Boas and Buck type generating relation.

7.2 THE EXPANSION FORMULA

In order to derive the desired expansion formula we first observe that the polynomials $s_n(x)$ generated by 7.1(1) to 7.1(4) with $v_n = \frac{1}{n!}$ are representable in the form

$$(1) \quad s_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/m \rfloor} \frac{s_{n,k}}{k!(n-mk)!} x^{n-mk},$$

and if we assume that

$$(2) \quad [\underline{H}(t)]^{-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h'_k t^{mk}, \quad h'_0 = 1,$$

then the inverse of (1) may be expressed in the form

$$(3) \quad x^n = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/m \rfloor} \frac{s'_{n,k}}{k!} s_{n-mk}(x).$$

Now, if we let

$$(4) \quad H^{(i)}(t) \exp \left[x S^{(i)}(t) \right] = \sum_{n_i=0}^{\infty} s_{n_i}^{(i)}(x) t^{n_i},$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, p,$$

where $H^{(i)}(t)$ and $S^{(i)}(t)$ possess expansions similar to 7.1(2) and 7.1(4) respectively, then in terms of the notations

$$(5) \quad \begin{cases} n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_p = N \\ k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_p = K \\ \lfloor n_i/m \rfloor = n_i^*, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, p, \quad \lfloor n/m \rfloor = n^*, \quad \lfloor N/m \rfloor = N^* \end{cases}$$

the relations (1) and (3) help us to put the product

$$(6) \quad \Omega = s_{n_1}^{(1)}(a_1 x) s_{n_2}^{(2)}(a_2 x) \dots s_{n_p}^{(p)}(a_p x)$$

in the form

$$\Omega = \sum_{k_1=0}^{n_1^*} \dots \sum_{k_p=0}^{n_p^*} \left[\prod_{j=1}^p \frac{s_{n_j, k_j}^{(j)} a_j^{n_j - m k_j}}{k_j! (n_j - m k_j)!} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{q=0}^{N^*-K} \frac{(N - mK)!}{q!} s_{N-mK, q}' s_{N-mK-mq}(x),$$

which on making use of the identity 5.2(1) can be written as

$$(7) \quad \Omega = \sum_{q=0}^{N^*} D_q^{(n_1, \dots, n_p)} s_{N-mN^*+mq}(x),$$

where the coefficients $D_q^{(n_1, \dots, n_p)}$ are given by

$$(8) \quad D_q^{(n_1, \dots, n_p)} = \sum_{k_1=0}^{n_1^*} \dots \sum_{k_p=0}^{n_p^*} \left[\prod_{j=1}^p \frac{s_{n_j, k_j}^{(j)} a_j^{n_j - m k_j}}{k_j! (n_j - m k_j)!} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(N - mK)!}{(N^* - K - q)!} s_{N-mK, N^*-K-q}'$$

Now, denoting the expression

$$(9) \quad \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_p=0}^{\infty} D_q^{(n_1, \dots, n_p)} u_1^{n_1} \dots u_p^{n_p}$$

by Z , and making use of the relation

$$(10) \quad H^{(i)}(t) \left[S^{(i)}(t) \right]^n = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{s_{n+mk, k}^{(i)}}{k!} t^{n+mk},$$

which is an easy consequence of (4) and (1), we observe that

$$Z = \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_p=0}^{\infty} \left[\prod_{j=1}^p \frac{H^{(j)}(u_j) (a_j S^{(j)}(u_j))^{n_j}}{n_j!} \right] \cdot \frac{N!}{(N^* - q)!} s'_{N, N^* - q}.$$

The above expression for Z may be further simplified to yield

$$(11) \quad Z = H^{(1)}(u_1) \dots H^{(p)}(u_p) \sum_{n=m_q}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{(n^* - q)!} s'_{n, n^* - q},$$

wherein, for the sake of brevity, z stands for

$$(12) \quad a_1 S^{(1)}(u_1) + \dots + a_p S^{(p)}(u_p).$$

Now, in view of 5.2(5), (11) becomes

$$(13) \quad Z = H^{(1)}(u_1) \dots H^{(p)}(u_p) \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} z^{mq+j}$$

$$\cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{mn}}{n!} s'_{m(n+q)+j,n}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\exp [x S(t)] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} [S(t)]^n,$$

which, in view of the relation (3) may be put in the form

$$\exp [x S(t)] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^{n+mk}(t)}{k!} s_n(x) s'_{n+mk,k},$$

so that the generating relation

$$H(t) \exp [x S(t)] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n(x) t^n$$

yields

$$(14) \quad \frac{t^n}{H(t)} = S^n(t) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{s'_{n+mk,k}}{k!} S^{mk}(t).$$

The relation (14) under the assumption of the existence of a power series, $I(t)$ such that

$$S(I(t)) = I(S(t)) = t,$$

gives us

$$(15) \quad \frac{(I(t))^{qm+j}}{H(I(t))} = t^{qm+j} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{s'_{qm+j+mk,k}}{k!} t^{mk}.$$

In view of (15), the equation (13) may be written in the form

$$Z = H^{(1)}(u_1) \dots H^{(p)}(u_p) \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \frac{(I(z))^{qm+j}}{H(I(z))},$$

which leads us to the desired generating function

$$\begin{aligned} (16) \quad & \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_p=0}^{\infty} D_q^{(n_1, \dots, n_p)} u_1^{n_1} \dots u_p^{n_p} \\ &= \frac{H^{(1)}(u_1) \dots H^{(p)}(u_p)}{H(I(z))} I^{qm}(z) \frac{I^m(z)-1}{I(z)-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Particular Cases:

On putting $m=1$, we obtain the corresponding expansion formula for $s_{n_1}^{(1)}(a_1x) \dots s_{n_p}^{(p)}(a_px)$ wherein the coefficients

$D_q^{(n_1, \dots, n_p)}$ are generated by the relation

$$\begin{aligned} (17) \quad & \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_p=0}^{\infty} D_q^{(n_1, \dots, n_p)} u_1^{n_1} \dots u_p^{n_p} \\ &= \frac{H^{(1)}(u_1) \dots H^{(p)}(u_p)}{H(I(z))} I^q(z). \end{aligned}$$

In (17) if we put $p=2$ we shall get the formula

$$(18) \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=0}^{\infty} D_q^{(n_1, n_2)} \frac{n_1!}{u_1^{n_1}} \frac{n_2!}{u_2^{n_2}} = \frac{H^{(1)}(u_1) H^{(2)}(u_2)}{H(I(a_1 S^{(1)}(u_1) + a_2 S^{(2)}(u_2)))}.$$

$$I^q(a_1 S^{(1)}(u_1) + a_2 S^{(2)}(u_2)),$$

which corresponds to the generating relation given by Carlitz [5] .

On the other hand, if

$$S(t) = \frac{t}{(1 + yt^m)^r}, \quad H(t) = (1 + yt^m)^{-c},$$

the polynomials $s_n(x)$ would correspond to $\prod_n^c(x)$, discussed in Chapter V. Thus the expansion formula (7)-(8) and the generating relation (16) would simplify to 5.2(2) - 5.2(3) and 5.2(6) - 5.2(7) respectively.

7.3 CHARACTERIZATION

With reference to the set $\{q_n(x)\}$ possessing a generating relation of Boas and Buck type as given by 7.1(5) to 7.1(7), it is said that $q_n(x) \in [\Psi]$ where $[\Psi]$ denotes the subclass of all such sets whose Boas and Buck type generating relation involves a fixed Ψ .

A few years ago, in an attempt to obtain certain characterizations of the polynomial sets generated by

$$(1) \quad (1-t)^{-\alpha} A(t) \Psi[x B(t)] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q_n^{(\alpha)}(x) t^n,$$

which reduce to Boas and Buck generating relation when $\alpha = 0$, Brown and Goldberg [1] (see also Goldberg [1]) replaced the parameter α by an arbitrary function $\alpha(n)$ of the index n and proved that $\{q_n^{\alpha(n)}(x)\} \in [\Psi]$ if and only if the function $\alpha(n)$ be linear for $n \geq 1$.

Following the work of Brown and Goldberg [1], Thakare and Madhokar [1] considered the polynomials $\{q_n(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r; x)\}$ generated by

$$(2) \quad A(t) \Psi[x B(t)] \prod_{j=1}^r (1-w_j t)^{-\alpha_j} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q_n(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r; x) t^n,$$

and proved that

$q_n(\delta_1(n), \dots, \delta_r(n); x) \in [\Psi]$ if and only if for each $j = 1, \dots, r$; $\delta_j(n)$ is a linear function of n for $n \geq 1$.

The extension of $\{f_n^c(x)\}$ which is given by 7.1(1) to 7.1(4) and the results for the polynomials $q_n(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r; x)$ considered by Thakare and Madhokar [1],

Thakare, Madhokar and Karande[1] motivate us to consider the modified polynomial sets $\{p_n(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r; x)\}$ defined by

$$(3) \quad H(t) \Psi[x S(t)] \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - v_j t^m)^{-\alpha_j} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r; x) t^n,$$

where

$H(t)$, $\Psi(z)$, $S(t)$ are given by 7.1(2), 7.1(3) and 7.1(4) respectively, and α_j , v_j ($j=1, 2, \dots, r$) are arbitrary constants with h_k , v_k , s_k ($k = 0, 1, \dots$) independent of α_j, v_j ($j=1, 2, \dots, r$); and prove the Characterization Theorem as below :

Theorem 8:

$p_n(\delta_1(n), \dots, \delta_r(n); x) \in [\Psi]$ if and only if each $\delta_j(n)$ ($j=1, \dots, r$) is linear in n ($n \geq 1$).

Proof:

Let $\delta_j(n)$ be linear in n , that is,

$$\delta_j(n) = \alpha_j + n\beta_j \quad (j = 1, \dots, r).$$

By Taylor's Theorem

$$p_n(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r; x) = \frac{1}{n!} D_t^n \left[H(t) \Psi[x S(t)] \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - v_j t^m)^{-\alpha_j} \right]_{t=0},$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & p_n(\alpha_1 + n\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r + n\beta_r; x) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n!} D_t^n \left[\left\{ H(t) \Psi[x S(t)] \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - v_j t^m)^{-\alpha_j} \right\} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \cdot \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - v_j t^m)^{-\beta_j} \right\}^{\bar{n}} \right] \Big|_{t=0},
 \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4) \quad & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n(\alpha_1 + n\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r + n\beta_r; x) t^n \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} D_t^n \left[f(t) \{ \phi(t) \}^{\bar{n}} \right] \Big|_{t=0},
 \end{aligned}$$

where, for convenience,

$$(5) \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} & f(t) = H(t) \Psi[x S(t)] \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - v_j t^m)^{-\alpha_j}, \\ & \text{and} \\ & \phi(t) = \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - v_j t^m)^{-\beta_j}. \end{aligned} \right.$$

On applying Lagrange's expansion formula (Pólya and Szegő [G], p.146, Problem 207) 5.3(24) to (4), we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n(\alpha_1 + n\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r + n\beta_r; x) t^n = \frac{f(\tau_g)}{1-t \phi'(\tau_g)},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 (6) \quad & \tau_g = t \phi(\tau_g) \\
 &= t \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - v_j \tau_g^m)^{-\beta_j},
 \end{aligned}$$

which on simplifying yields the following result,

$$(7) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n(\alpha_1 + n\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r + n\beta_r; x) t^n$$

$$= \frac{H(\tau_j) \Psi[\bar{x} S(\tau_j)] \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - v_j \tau_j^m)^{-\alpha_j}}{1 - m \tau_j^m \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_i v_i (1 - v_i \tau_j^m)^{m-1}},$$

where τ_j is given by (6).

This proves that $p_n(\alpha_1 + n\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r + n\beta_r; x) \in [\Psi]$.

Conversely, let $p_n(\delta_1(n), \dots, \delta_r(n); x) \in [\Psi]$.

Clearly from the definition (3) it follows that

$p_n(0, \dots, 0; x) = p_n(x)$ is of degree n in x having the form,

$$(8) \quad p_n(x) = C_{n,n} x^n + C_{n,n-m} x^{n-m} + \dots + C_{n,0}.$$

Let

$$(9) \quad p_n(\delta_1(n), \dots, \delta_r(n); x) = \bar{C}_{n,n} x^n + \bar{C}_{n,n-m} x^{n-m} + \dots + \bar{C}_{n,0}.$$

As

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r; x) t^n$$

$$= H(t) \Psi[\bar{x} S(t)] \prod_{j=1}^r (1 - v_j t^m)^{-\alpha_j}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n(x) t^n.$$

$$\sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_{n_1} \dots (\alpha_r)_{n_r}}{n_1! \dots n_r!} v_1^{n_1} \dots v_r^{n_r} t^{\sum_{j=1}^r n_j},$$

$$(10) \quad = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n_1=0}^{[n/m]} \dots \sum_{n_r=0}^{[n/m]} p_{n-m \sum_{j=1}^r n_j}(x)$$

$$\cdot \frac{(\alpha_1)_{n_1}}{n_1!} v_1^{n_1} \dots \frac{(\alpha_r)_{n_r}}{n_r!} v_r^{n_r} t^n,$$

(10) gives us

$$\begin{aligned} p_n(\delta_1(n), \dots, \delta_r(n); x) \\ = p_n(x) + (\delta_1(n)v_1 + \dots + \delta_r(n)v_r) p_{n-m}(x) + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

which on making use of (8) and (9) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{C}_{n,n} x^n + \bar{C}_{n,n-m} x^{n-m} + \dots \\ = C_{n,n} x^n + \left\{ C_{n,n-m} + C_{n-m,n-m} (\delta_1(n)v_1 + \dots + \delta_r(n)v_r) \right\} x^{n-m} + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$(12) \quad \bar{C}_{n,n} = C_{n,n}$$

$$(13) \quad \bar{C}_{n,n-m} = C_{n,n-m} + C_{n-m,n-m} (\delta_1(n)v_1 + \dots + \delta_r(n)v_r).$$

Denoting

$$r_n = \frac{v_n}{v_{n-m}} \frac{C_{n,n-m}}{C_{n,n}},$$

and

$$\bar{r}_n = \frac{v_n}{v_{n-m}} \frac{\bar{C}_{n,n-m}}{\bar{C}_{n,n}},$$

it follows that

$$\bar{r}_n - r_n = \frac{v_n}{v_{n-m}} \frac{C_{n-m,n-m}}{C_{n,n}} [\delta_1(n)v_1 + \dots + \delta_r(n)v_r].$$

Next, use of the identity,

$$(14) \quad \bar{r}_n - r_n = (\bar{r}_m - r_m) + \left(\frac{n-m}{m}\right) \left\{ (\bar{r}_{2m} - r_{2m}) - (\bar{r}_m - r_m) \right\}$$

and the relation $C_{n,n} = v_n a_0 h_0^n$ gives,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_1(n)v_1 + \dots + \delta_r(n)v_r &= (\delta_1(m)v_1 + \dots + \delta_r(m)v_r) \\ &+ \left(\frac{n-m}{m}\right) \left\{ \delta_1(2m)v_1 + \dots + \delta_r(2m)v_r - \delta_1(m)v_1 - \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \delta_r(m)v_r \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and hence we are led to

$$\delta_j(n)v_j = \delta_j(m)v_j + \left(\frac{n-m}{m}\right) \left\{ \delta_j(2m)v_j - \delta_j(m)v_j \right\}$$

for each $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$, that is,

$$(15) \quad \delta_j(n) = 2\delta_j(m) + \frac{n(\delta_j(2m) - \delta_j(m))}{m} - \delta_j(2m).$$

Thus by choosing $\delta_j(n)$ as given by (15),
 $\delta_j(n); (j=1, \dots, r)$ are linear in n and the proof of the
theorem is completed.

7.4 APPLICATIONS

(i) Consider generalized Laguerre polynomials $\int_n^c(x)$
possessing the generating relation 5.3(1). Obviously,
 $\int_n^c(x) \in [\exp]$ and thus from above Theorem 8 we may conclude

COROLLARY 1:

$\int_n^{\delta(n)} \in [\exp]$ if and only if $\delta(n)$ is linear in n .

(ii) The polynomials $\int_n^c(x)$ may be generalized further
by the defining relation

$$(1) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_n^{(c_1, \dots, c_p)} (x) t^n = (1 + y_1 t^m)^{-c_1} \dots (1 + y_p t^m)^{-c_p} \\
\exp \left[\frac{xt}{(1 + y t^m)^r} \right].$$

Clearly $\int_n^{(c_1, \dots, c_p)} (x) \in [\exp]$ and hence

COROLLARY 2:

$$\prod_n^{\delta_1(n), \dots, \delta_p(n)} (x) \in [\exp] \text{ if and only if each}$$

$\delta_j(n), (j=1, \dots, p)$ is linear in n .

For $p=2, m=1, y_1=-1, y_2=1, c_1 = \alpha+1, c_2=\beta, y=-1, r=1$

and on replacing x by $-x$ we obtain Corollary (5) of Thakare and Madhokar [1].

(iii) It is evident that $f_n^c(x)$ given by 2.1(3) $\in [G]$ which leads to the result :

COROLLARY 3:

$$f_n^{\delta(n)} \in [G] \text{ if and only if } \delta(n) \text{ is linear in } n.$$

(iv) As in (ii), $f_n^c(x)$ may be generalized as

$$(2) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n^{c_1, \dots, c_p} (x) t^n$$

$$= (1+y_1 t^m)^{-c_1} \dots (1+y_p t^m)^{-c_p} G \left[\frac{xt}{(1+y t^m)^r} \right].$$

On application of Theorem 8, this yields the result

COROLLARY 4:

$$f_n^{\delta_1(n), \dots, \delta_p(n)} (x) \in [G] \text{ if and only if each}$$

$\delta_j(n); (j = 1, \dots, p)$ is linear in n .

(v) The polynomials $g_n^c(x, r, 1)$ corresponding to the case $s = 1$ of $g_n^c(x, r, s)$ studied by R. Panda [1], defined by 2.1(1) $\in [\bar{G}]$. Therefore,

COROLLARY 5:

$g_n^{\delta(n)}(x, r, 1) \in [\bar{G}]$ if and only if $\delta(n)$ is linear in n .