

Some generalizations of Knopp's identity*

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Abstract. For integers a, b and $n > 0$, define

$$A_\Gamma(a, b, n) = \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n \nmid b}}^n \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \ln \Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)$$

and

$$B_\Gamma(a, b, n) = \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n \nmid b}}^n \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \frac{\Gamma' \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)}{\Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)},$$

where \sum'_r denotes the summation over all r such that $(r, n) = 1$, and \bar{r} is defined by the equation $r\bar{r} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$. The two sums are analogous to the homogeneous Dedekind sum $S(a, b, n)$. The functional equations for A_Γ and B_Γ are established. Furthermore, Knopp's identity on Dedekind sum is extended.

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1 Introduction

For integers a and $n > 0$, the classical Dedekind sum is defined by

$$S(a, n) = \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\left(\frac{j}{n} \right) \right) \left(\left(\frac{aj}{n} \right) \right),$$

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where

$$((x)) = \begin{cases} x - [x] - \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } x \text{ is not an integer;} \\ 0, & \text{if } x \text{ is an integer.} \end{cases}$$

The sum $S(a, n)$ plays an important role in the transformation theory of the Dedekind η function (see [6] and Chapter 3 of [1] for details).

Knopp [4] established the following arithmetical identity

$$\sum_{cd=m} \sum_{r=1}^d S(ac + rn, dn) = \sigma(m)S(a, n),$$

where $\sigma(m) = \sum_{d|m} d$. Many authors gave elementary proofs for Knopp's identity, for example, Goldberg [3], Parson [5] and Zheng [7].

For integers a, b and $n > 0$, the sum

$$S(a, b, n) = \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \left(\left(\frac{br}{n} \right) \right)$$

is called a homogeneous Dedekind sum. Zheng [8] obtained the following extension of Knopp's identity

$$\sum_{cd=m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} S(ac + r_1 n, bc + r_2 n, dn) = m\sigma(m)S(a, b, n),$$

where $d_* = \{r \in \mathbb{Z} : 0 \leq r < d\}$.

According to [2], for a function F of two complex variables into the complex field C , if for any ordered pair $\langle x, y \rangle$ in the domain $\text{Dom}(F)$ of F we have

$$\left\{ \left\langle \frac{x+r}{n}, ny \right\rangle : r \in n_* \right\} \subseteq \text{Dom}(F) \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} F\left(\frac{x+r}{n}, ny\right) = F(x, y)$$

for every $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, then we call F a uniform function into C .

A uniform function F is said to be periodic if

$$\langle x, y \rangle \in \text{Dom}(F) \implies \langle x \pm 1, y \rangle \in \text{Dom}(F) \quad \& \quad F(x \pm 1, y) = F(x, y).$$

We use PUF to denote the class of all periodic uniform functions.

Set

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} F; x, y \\ G; u, v \end{array} \right] (a, b, n) = \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} F\left(\frac{x+ar}{n}, ny\right) G\left(\frac{u+br}{n}, nv\right).$$

Chen and Sun [2] gave the following extension of Knopp's identity.

Proposition 1.1. *Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, $F, G \in PUF$, $\langle x, y \rangle \in \text{Dom}(F)$ and $\langle u, v \rangle \in \text{Dom}(G)$. Then we have the identity*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{cd=m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} \left[\begin{array}{c} F; x, y \\ G; u, v \end{array} \right] (ac + r_1n, bc + r_2n, dn) \\ &= m \sum_{d|m} d \left[\begin{array}{c} F; x/d, dy \\ G; u/d, dv \end{array} \right] (a, b, n). \end{aligned}$$

For $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, define

$$S_\Gamma(a, b, n) = \sum_{\substack{r=0 \\ n \nmid br}}^{n-1} \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \ln \Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{br}{n} \right\} \right)$$

and

$$T_\Gamma(a, b, n) = \sum_{\substack{r=0 \\ n \nmid br}}^{n-1} \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \frac{\Gamma' \left(\left\{ \frac{br}{n} \right\} \right)}{\Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{br}{n} \right\} \right)},$$

where $\Gamma(x)$ is the well-known gamma function. Applying Proposition 1.1 they obtained the following results.

Proposition 1.2. *Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.*

(i) *For the function T_Γ we have the functional function:*

$$\sum_{cd=m} \frac{1}{d} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} T_\Gamma(ac + r_1n, bc + r_2n, dn) = md(m)T_\Gamma(a, b, n),$$

where $d(m)$ is the divisor function.

(ii) *For S_Γ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{cd=m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} S_\Gamma(ac + r_1n, bc + r_2n, dn) - m\sigma(m)S_\Gamma(a, b, n) \\ &= m \sum_{d|m} \Lambda(d)\sigma\left(\frac{m}{d}\right) \left(\frac{S(a, b, n/(d, n))}{d/(d, n)} - S(a, b, n) \right), \end{aligned}$$

where (d, n) is the greatest common divisor of d and n , and $\Lambda(n)$ is the Mangoldt function.

In this paper, we shall give some further generalizations of Knopp's identity. Let

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F; x, y \\ G; u, v \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n) = \sum_{r=1}^n' F\left(\frac{x+ar}{n}, ny\right) G\left(\frac{u+b\bar{r}}{n}, nv\right),$$

where \sum_r' denotes the summation over all r such that $(r, n) = 1$, and \bar{r} is defined by the equation $r\bar{r} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$. In Section 2 we will prove the following:

Theorem 1.1. *Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ with $(m, n) = 1$, $F, G \in PUF$, $\langle x, y \rangle \in \text{Dom}(F)$ and $\langle u, v \rangle \in \text{Dom}(G)$. Then we have the identity*

$$\sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F; x, y \\ G; u, v \end{array} \right\} (a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) = m \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F; x, y \\ G; u, v \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n).$$

Theorem 1.2. *Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ with $(m, n) = 1$, $F, G \in PUF$, $\langle x, y \rangle \in \text{Dom}(F)$ and $\langle u, v \rangle \in \text{Dom}(G)$. Then we have*

$$\sum_{cd=m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F; x, y \\ G; u, v \end{array} \right\} (ac + r_1 n, b\bar{c} + r_2 n, dn) = m \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F; x, y \\ G; u, v \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n),$$

where $c\bar{c} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$.

Moreover, define

$$A_\Gamma(a, b, n) = \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n \nmid b}}^n \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \ln \Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)$$

and

$$B_\Gamma(a, b, n) = \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n \nmid b}}^n \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \frac{\Gamma' \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)}{\Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)}.$$

In Section 3 we shall prove the following:

Theorem 1.3. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ with $(m, n) = 1$.

(i) For the function B_Γ we have the functional function:

$$\sum_{d|m} \frac{1}{d} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} B_\Gamma(a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) = m B_\Gamma(a, b, n).$$

(ii) For A_Γ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} A_\Gamma(a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) - mA_\Gamma(a, b, n) \\ = \left(m \ln n - \sum_{d|m} \ln(dn) \right) C(a, b, n), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$C(a, b, n) = \sum_{r=1}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \left(\left(\frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right) \right).$$

Theorem 1.4. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ with $(m, n) = 1$.

(i) For the function B_Γ we have the functional function:

$$\sum_{cd=m} \frac{1}{d} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} B_\Gamma(ac + r_1 n, b\bar{c} + r_2 n, dn) = m B_\Gamma(a, b, n),$$

where $c\bar{c} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$.

(ii) For A_Γ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cd=m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} A_\Gamma(ac + r_1 n, b\bar{c} + r_2 n, dn) - mA_\Gamma(a, b, n) \\ = \left(m \ln n - \sum_{d|m} \ln(dn) \right) C(a, b, n). \end{aligned}$$

2 Proofs of Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2

First we need the following lemma.

Lemma 2.1. Let $a \in \mathcal{Z}$, $n \in \mathcal{Z}^+$, $F \in PUF$ and $\langle x, y \rangle \in \text{Dom}(F)$. Then

$$\sum_{r=0}^{n-1} F\left(\frac{x+ar}{n}, ny\right) = (a, n)F\left(\frac{x}{(a, n)}, (a, n)y\right).$$

Proof. This is Lemma 2.1 of [2].

Now we prove Theorem 1.1. By Lemma 2.1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} F; x, y \\ G; u, v \end{array} \right\} (a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} \sum_{r=1}^{dn} F\left(\frac{x + (a + r_1 n)r}{dn}, dny\right) G\left(\frac{u + (b + r_2 n)\bar{r}}{dn}, dnv\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r=1}^{dn} \sum_{r_1 \in d_*} F\left(\frac{x+ar}{dn} + \frac{r_1 r}{d}, dny\right) \sum_{r_2 \in d_*} G\left(\frac{u+b\bar{r}}{dn} + \frac{r_2 \bar{r}}{d}, dnv\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r=1}^{dn} F\left(\frac{x+ar}{n}, ny\right) G\left(\frac{u+b\bar{r}}{n}, nv\right). \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

Since $(m, n) = 1$, we get $(d, n) = 1$. Let $r = r_1 d + r_2 n$, then $\bar{r} = \bar{r}_1 \bar{d}^2 d + \bar{r}_2 \bar{n}^2 n$, where

$$d\bar{d} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}, \quad n\bar{n} \equiv 1 \pmod{d}, \quad r_1 \bar{r}_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{n}, \quad r_2 \bar{r}_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{d}.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r=1}^{dn} F\left(\frac{x+ar}{n}, ny\right) G\left(\frac{u+b\bar{r}}{n}, nv\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1=1}^n \sum_{r_2=1}^d F\left(\frac{x+a(r_1 d + r_2 n)}{n}, ny\right) G\left(\frac{u+b(\bar{r}_1 \bar{d}^2 d + \bar{r}_2 \bar{n}^2 n)}{n}, nv\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1=1}^n \sum_{r_2=1}^d F\left(\frac{x+ar_1 d}{n}, ny\right) G\left(\frac{u+b\bar{r}_1 \bar{d}}{n}, nv\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \phi(d) \sum_{r_1=1}^n F\left(\frac{x+ar_1 d}{n}, ny\right) G\left(\frac{u+b\bar{r}_1 \bar{d}}{n}, nv\right). \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

When r_1 runs over a reduced residue system modulo n , $r_1 d$ also runs over a reduced residue system modulo n . So we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{d|m} \phi(d) \sum_{r_1=1}^n' F\left(\frac{x+ar_1d}{n}, ny\right) G\left(\frac{u+b\bar{r}_1\bar{d}}{n}, nv\right) \\ &= \sum_{d|m} \phi(d) \sum_{r_1=1}^n' F\left(\frac{x+ar_1}{n}, ny\right) G\left(\frac{u+b\bar{r}_1}{n}, nv\right) \quad (2.3) \\ &= m \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F; x, y \\ G; u, v \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.1 immediately follows from (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3). Similarly we can get Theorem 1.2.

3 Proofs of Theorem 1.3 and Theorem 1.4

According to [2], define $D(x, y) = ((x))$ and $\Gamma^* : (\mathcal{R}^+ \bigcup \{0\}) \times \mathcal{R}^+ \longrightarrow \mathcal{R}^+$ as follows:

$$\Gamma^*(x, y) = \begin{cases} \Gamma(x)y^x/\sqrt{2\pi y}, & \text{if } x > 0; \\ \sqrt{2\pi y}, & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

We know that $D(x, y)$ and $\Gamma^*(x, y) = \ln \Gamma^*(\{x\}, y)$ belong to PUF. Let

$$\Psi(x, y) = \begin{cases} (\Gamma'(x)/\Gamma(x) + \ln y)/y, & \text{if } x > 0; \\ (-\gamma + \ln y)/y, & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

The function $\psi(x, y) = \tilde{\Psi}(x, y)$ also lies in PUF.

Now we establish the following:

Lemma 3.1. *Let $a, b \in \mathcal{Z}$ and $m, n \in \mathcal{Z}^+$. Then we have*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} D; 0, m \\ \Gamma_*; 0, m \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n) = A_\Gamma(a, b, n) + \ln(mn)C(a, b, n)$$

and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} D; 0, m \\ \psi; 0, m \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n) = \frac{B_\Gamma(a, b, n)}{mn}.$$

Proof. From the definition of Γ_* we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D; 0, m \\ \Gamma_*; 0, m \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n) &= \sum_{r=1}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \Gamma_* \left(\frac{b\bar{r}}{n}, mn \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n \nmid b}}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \left[\ln \Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right) + \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \ln(mn) - \frac{\ln(2\pi)}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n|b}}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \frac{\ln(2\pi mn)}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.1 we get

$$\sum_{r=1}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) = \sum_{r=1}^n \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d|r}} \mu(d) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \sum_{r=1}^{n/d} \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n/d} \right) \right) = 0.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D; 0, m \\ \Gamma_*; 0, m \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n) &= \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n \nmid b}}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \ln \Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right) \\ &\quad + \ln(mn) \sum_{r=1}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \left(\left(\frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right) \right) \\ &= A_\Gamma(a, b, n) + \ln(mn) C(a, b, n). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly from Lemma 2.1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D; 0, m \\ \psi; 0, m \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n) &= \sum_{r=1}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \psi \left(\frac{b\bar{r}}{n}, mn \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n \nmid b}}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \frac{1}{mn} \left(\frac{\Gamma' \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)}{\Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)} + \ln(mn) \right) \\ &\quad + \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n|b}}^n' \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \frac{1}{mn} (-\gamma + \ln(mn)) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{mn} \sum_{\substack{r=1 \\ n \nmid b}}^n \left(\left(\frac{ar}{n} \right) \right) \frac{\Gamma' \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)}{\Gamma \left(\left\{ \frac{b\bar{r}}{n} \right\} \right)} = \frac{B_\Gamma(a, b, n)}{mn}.$$

This proves Lemma 3.1.

Now we prove Theorem 1.3 and Theorem 1.4. By Theorem 1.1,

$$\sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D; 0, 1 \\ \psi; 0, 1 \end{array} \right\} (a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) = m \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D; 0, 1 \\ \psi; 0, 1 \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n),$$

then from Lemma 3.1 we have

$$\sum_{d|m} \frac{1}{d} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} B_\Gamma(a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) = m B_\Gamma(a, b, n).$$

Similarly from Theorem 1.2 and Lemma 3.1 we can get

$$\sum_{cd=m} \frac{1}{d} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} B_\Gamma(ac + r_1 n, b\bar{c} + r_2 n, dn) = m B_\Gamma(a, b, n),$$

where $c\bar{c} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$. This proves (i) of Theorem 1.3 and Theorem 1.4.

By Theorem 1.1 we also have

$$\sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D; 0, 1 \\ \Gamma_*; 0, 1 \end{array} \right\} (a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) = m \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D; 0, 1 \\ \Gamma_*; 0, 1 \end{array} \right\} (a, b, n),$$

then from Lemma 3.1 we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} A_\Gamma(a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) \\ & + \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} \ln(dn) C(a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) \\ & = mA_\Gamma(a, b, n) + m \ln n C(a, b, n). \end{aligned}$$

From the proof of Theorem 1.1 we easily have

$$\sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} \ln(dn) C(a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) = \sum_{d|m} \ln(dn) C(a, b, n).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{d|m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} A_\Gamma(a + r_1 n, b + r_2 n, dn) - mA_\Gamma(a, b, n) \\ = \left(m \ln n - \sum_{d|m} \ln(dn) \right) C(a, b, n). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly from Theorem 1.2 and Lemma 3.1 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{cd=m} \sum_{r_1, r_2 \in d_*} A_\Gamma(ac + r_1 n, b\bar{c} + r_2 n, dn) - mA_\Gamma(a, b, n) \\ = \left(m \ln n - \sum_{d|m} \ln(dn) \right) C(a, b, n). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proofs of (ii) of Theorem 1.3 and Theorem 1.4.

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