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Some Identities on λ -Analogues of r-Stirling Numbers of the First Kind

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Abstract. In this paper, we study λ -analogues of the r-Stirling numbers of the first kind which have close connections with the r-Stirling numbers of the first kind and λ -Stirling numbers of the first kind. Specifically, we give the recurrence relations for these numbers and show their connections with the λ -Stirling numbers of the first kind and higher-order Daehee polynomials.

1. Introduction

It is known that the Stirling numbers of the first kind are defined as

$$(x)_n = \sum_{l=0}^n S_1(n,l)x^l$$
, (see [1,2,6-9,14]), (1)

where $(x)_0 = 1$, $(x)_n = x(x-1)\cdots(x-n+1)$, $(n \ge 1)$.

For $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, the λ -analogue of falling factorial sequence is defined by

$$(x)_{0,\lambda} = 1, (x)_{n,\lambda} = x(x-\lambda)(x-2\lambda)\cdots(x-(n-1)\lambda), (n \ge 1),$$

(see [2, 10, 14, 15, 17]).

In view of (1), we define λ -analogues of the Stirling numbers of the first kind as

$$(x)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,k)x^{k}, \quad \text{(see [2,11-13,16,17])}.$$
 (3)

It is not difficult to show that

$$(1 + \lambda t)^{\frac{x}{\lambda}} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} {x \choose l}_{\lambda} t^{l} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x)_{l,\lambda}}{l!} t^{l}, \quad (\text{see } [4,7-17]),$$
(4)

where $\binom{x}{l}_{\lambda}$ are the λ -analogues of binomial coefficients $\binom{x}{n}$ given by $\binom{x}{l}_{\lambda} = \frac{(x)_{l,\lambda}}{l!}$.

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The r-Stirling numbers of the first kind are defined by the generating function

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left(\log(1+t) \right)^k (1+t)^r = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_1^{(r)}(n,k) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad \text{(see [3,20-23])}.$$

where $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$.

The unsigned *r*-Stirling numbers of the first kind are defined as

$$(x+r)(x+r+1)\cdots(x+r+n-1) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} {n+r \brack k+r}_r x^k, \quad (\text{see } [1,17,22]).$$
 (6)

Thus, by (5), we get

$$(x+r)_n = (x+r)(x+r-1)\cdots(x+r-n+1) = \sum_{k=0}^n S_1^{(r)}(n,k)x^k, \quad \text{(see [1])}.$$

From (5) and (7), we note that

$$S_1^{(-r)}(n,k) = (-1)^{n-k} {n+r \brack k+r}_r.$$
(8)

The higher-order Daehee polynomials are defined by

$$\left(\frac{\log(1+t)}{t}\right)^k (1+t)^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see } [5,18,19,24]). \tag{9}$$

When x = 0, $D_n^{(k)} = D_n^{(k)}(0)$ are called the higher-order Daehee numbers. In particular, for k = 1, $D_n(x) = D_n^{(1)}(x)$, $(n \ge 0)$, are called the ordinary Daehee polynomials.

In this paper, we consider λ -analogues of r-Stirling numbers of the first kind which are derived from the λ -analogues of the falling factorial sequence and investigate some properties for these numbers. Specifically, we give some identities and recurrence relations for the λ -analogues of r-Stirling numbers of the first kind and show their connections with the λ -Stirling numbers of the first kind and higher-order Daehee polynomials.

2. λ -analogues of r-Stirling numbers of the first kind

From (3) and (4), we have

$$(1 + \lambda t)^{\frac{x}{\lambda}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (x)_{k,\lambda} \frac{t^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{k} S_{1,\lambda}(k,n) x^n \right) \frac{t^k}{k!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(n! \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(k,n) \frac{t^k}{k!} \right) \frac{x^n}{n!}.$$
(10)

On the other hand, we also have

$$(1+\lambda t)^{\frac{x}{\lambda}} = e^{\frac{x}{\lambda}\log(1+\lambda t)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda}\right)^n \frac{x^n}{n!}.$$
 (11)

Therefore, by (10) and (11), we get the generating function for $S_{1,\lambda}(n,k)$, $(n,k \ge 0)$, which is given by

$$\frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^n = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(k,n) \frac{t^k}{k!}.$$
 (12)

Now, we define λ -analogues of r-Stirling numbers of the first kind as

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) \frac{t^n}{n!},\tag{13}$$

where $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, and $r \in \mathbb{R}$.

From (12) and (13), we note that $S_{1,\lambda}^{(0)}(n,k) = S_{1,\lambda}(n,k)$, $(n \ge k \ge 0)$. Also, it is easy to show that

$$(1+\lambda t)^{\frac{x}{\lambda}}(1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x+r)_{n,\lambda} \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
 (14)

By (14), we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x+r)_{n,\lambda} \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} {x+r \choose n}_{\lambda} t^n = (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} e^{\frac{x}{\lambda} \log(1+\lambda t)}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^n S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) x^k \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(15)

Therefore, by comparing the coefficients on both sides of (15), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.1. *For* $n \ge 0$ *, we have*

$$(x+r)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k)x^{k}.$$

Now, we observe that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^{k} \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^{k} \sum_{m=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k) \frac{t^{m}}{m!} \right) \left(\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (r)_{l,\lambda} \frac{t^{l}}{l!} \right)$$

$$= \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k) x^{k} \frac{t^{m}}{m!} \right) \left(\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (r)_{l,\lambda} \frac{t^{l}}{l!} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{m=0}^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{m} \binom{n}{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k) (r)_{n-m,\lambda} x^{k} \right) \frac{t^{n}}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{n} \sum_{m=k}^{n} \binom{n}{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k) (r)_{n-m,\lambda} x^{k} \right) \frac{t^{n}}{n!}.$$
(16)

Thus, by (15) and (16), we get

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) x^{k} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \left(\sum_{m=k}^{n} \binom{n}{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k)(r)_{n-m,\lambda} \right) x^{k}.$$
(17)

Therefore, by comparing the coefficients on both sides of (17), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.2. *For* $n \ge 0$ *, we have*

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) = \sum_{m=k}^{n} {n \choose m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k)(r)_{n-m,\lambda}.$$

Now, we define λ -analogues of the unsigned r-Stirling numbers of the first kind as follows:

$$(x+r)(x+r+\lambda)(x+r+2\lambda) + \dots + (x+r+(n-1)\lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} {n+r \choose k+r}_{r,\lambda} x^{k}.$$
 (18)

Note that $\lim_{\lambda \to 1} {n+r \brack k+r}_{r,\lambda} = {n+r \brack k+r}_{r'} (n \ge k \ge 0)$.

By Theorem 2.1 and (18), we get

$$(x-r)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(-r)}(n,k) x^{k}, \tag{19}$$

and

$$(x-r)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} (-1)^{n-k} {n+r \brack k+r}_{r,\lambda} x^{k}.$$
 (20)

From (19) and (20), we can easily derive the following equation (21).

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(-r)}(n,k) = (-1)^{n-k} {n+r \brack k+r}_{r,\lambda}, \quad (n \ge k \ge 0).$$
(21)

For $n \ge 1$, by Theorem 2.1, we get

$$(x+r)_{n+1,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+1,k)x^k = \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+1,k)x^k + (r)_{n+1,\lambda}.$$
 (22)

On the other hand, by (2), we get

$$(x+r)_{n+1,\lambda} = (x+r)_{n,\lambda}(x+r-n\lambda)$$

$$= x \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k)x^{k} - (n\lambda - r) \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k)x^{k}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k-1)x^{k} - \sum_{k=1}^{n} (n\lambda - r)S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k)x^{k} + (r-n\lambda)(r)_{n,\lambda} + x^{n+1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left\{ S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k-1) - (n\lambda - r)S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) \right\} x^{k} + (r)_{n+1,\lambda} + x^{n+1}.$$
(23)

Therefore, by Theorem 2.1 and (23), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.3. For $1 \le k \le n$, we have

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+1,k) = S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k-1) - (n\lambda - r)S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k).$$

From (13), we note that

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^{l}}{l!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{l} \\
= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} {k+l \choose l} r^{l} \frac{1}{(k+l)!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k+l} \\
= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} {k+l \choose l} r^{l} \sum_{n=k+l}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(n,k+l) \frac{t^{n}}{n!} \\
= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} r^{l} {k+l \choose l} \sum_{n=l}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k+l) \frac{t^{n+k}}{(n+k)!} \\
= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{n! t^{k}}{(n+k)!} \sum_{l=0}^{n} r^{l} {k+l \choose l} S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k+l) \right) \frac{t^{n}}{n!}. \tag{24}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \frac{t^{k}}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda t} \right)^{k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} D_{l}^{(k)} \frac{\lambda^{l} t^{l}}{l!} \right) \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (r)_{m,\lambda} \frac{t^{m}}{m!} \right) \frac{t^{k}}{k!}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{n} \binom{n}{l} D_{l}^{(k)} \lambda^{l} (r)_{n-l,\lambda} \frac{t^{n}}{n!} \right) \frac{t^{k}}{k!}.$$
(25)

Thus, by (24) and (25), we get

$$\sum_{l=0}^{n} r^{l} \frac{\binom{k+l}{l}}{\binom{n+k}{n}} S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k+l) = \sum_{l=0}^{n} \binom{n}{l} D_{l}^{(k)} \lambda^{l}(r)_{n-l,\lambda}.$$
(26)

Therefore, by (26), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.4. *For* $n \ge 0$ *, we have*

$$\sum_{l=0}^{n} \binom{n}{l} D_{l}^{(k)} \lambda^{l}(r)_{n-l,\lambda} = \sum_{l=0}^{n} \frac{\binom{k+l}{l}}{\binom{n+k}{n}} r^{l} S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k+l).$$

Now, we observe that

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \left(\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (r)_{l,\lambda} \frac{t^l}{l!} \right) \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k \\
= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{m=k}^{n} \binom{n}{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k)(r)_{n-m,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(27)

Therefore, by (13) and (27), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.5. *For* $n, k \ge 0$ *, with* $n \ge k$ *, we have*

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) = \sum_{m=k}^{n} \binom{n}{m} (r)_{n-m,\lambda} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k).$$

From (13), we note that

$$\frac{1}{m!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^m \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \frac{(m+k)!}{m!k!} \frac{1}{(m+k)!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{m+k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \binom{m+k}{m} \sum_{n=m+k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,m+k) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(28)

On the other hand,

$$\frac{1}{m!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^m \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{l=m}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(l,m) \frac{t^l}{l!} \right) \left(\sum_{j=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(j,k) \frac{t^j}{j!} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=m+k}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{l=k}^{n-m} \binom{n}{l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) S_{1,\lambda}(n-l,m) \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(29)

Therefore, by (28) and (29), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.6. For $m, n, k \ge 0$ with $n \ge m + k$, we have

$$\binom{m+k}{m} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,m+k) = \sum_{l=k}^{n-m} \binom{n}{l} S_{1,\lambda}(l,k) S_{1,\lambda}(n-l,m).$$

By (12), we get

$$\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(n,k) \frac{t^{n}}{n!} = \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} (1+\lambda t)^{-\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{l=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) \frac{t^{l}}{l!} \right) \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{r}{\lambda} \right) \lambda^{m} t^{m} \right)$$

$$= \left(\sum_{l=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) \frac{t^{l}}{l!} \right) \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{m} (r+(m-1)\lambda)_{m,\lambda} \frac{t^{m}}{m!} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{l=k}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{l=k}^{n} \binom{n}{l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) (-1)^{n-l} (r+(n-l-1)\lambda)_{n-l,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^{n}}{n!}.$$
(30)

Comparing the coefficients on both sides of (30), we have the following theorem.

Theorem 2.7. *For* $n, k \ge 0$, *with* $n \ge k$, *we have*

$$S_{1,\lambda}(n,k) = \sum_{l=k}^{n} {n \choose l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) (-1)^{n-l} (r + \lambda(n-l-1))_{n-l,\lambda}.$$

From (9), we have

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \frac{t^{k}}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda t} \right)^{k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \frac{t^{k}}{k!} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} D_{m}^{(k)} \lambda^{m} \frac{t^{m}}{m!} \right) \left(\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (r)_{l,\lambda} \frac{t^{l}}{l!} \right)$$

$$= \frac{t^{k}}{k!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{m=0}^{n} \binom{n}{m} D_{m}^{(k)} \lambda^{m} (r)_{n-m,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^{n}}{n!}.$$
(31)

On the other hand, by (13), we get

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) \frac{t^{n}}{n!}
= \frac{t^{k}}{k!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+k,k) \frac{n!k!}{(n+k)!} \frac{t^{n}}{n!}.$$
(32)

Thus, by comparing the coefficients on both sides of (31) and (32), we get

$$\sum_{m=0}^{n} \binom{n}{m} D_m^{(k)} \lambda^m(r)_{n-m,\lambda} = \frac{1}{\binom{n+k}{n}} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+k,k). \tag{33}$$

Therefore, by (33), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.8. *For* $n, k \ge 0$ *, we have*

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+k,k) = \binom{n+k}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{n} \binom{n}{m} D_m^{(k)} \lambda^m(r)_{n-m,\lambda}.$$

From (9), we note that

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \frac{t^k}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda t} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \frac{t^k}{k!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n D_n^{(k)} (\frac{r}{\lambda}) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(34)

By (32) and (34), we get

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+k,k) = \lambda^n \frac{(n+k)!}{n!k!} D_n^{(k)}(\frac{r}{\lambda}) = \lambda^n \binom{n+k}{n} D_n^{(k)}(\frac{r}{\lambda}), \quad (n \ge 0).$$
 (35)

In particular, for r = 0, from (30) and (35) we have

$$\lambda^{n} \binom{n+k}{k} D_{n}^{(k)} = S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k)$$

$$= \sum_{l=k}^{n+k} \binom{n+k}{l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k)(-1)^{n+k-l} (r+(n+k-l-1)\lambda)_{n+k-l,\lambda},$$
(36)

where $n, k \ge 0$.

Therefore, by (36), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.9. *For* $n, k \ge 0$, *we have*

$$\lambda^{n} \binom{n+k}{k} D_{n}^{(k)} = \sum_{l=k}^{n+k} \binom{n+k}{l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) (-1)^{n+k-l} (r+(n+k-l-1)\lambda)_{n+k-l,\lambda}.$$

In addition,

$$D_n^{(k)} = \frac{1}{\binom{n+k}{k}} \sum_{l=k}^{n+k} \binom{n+k}{l} \binom{l}{k} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^{n+k-l} \times (r + (n+k-l-1)\lambda)_{n+k-l,\lambda} (-1)^{n+k-l} D_{l-k}^{(k)} (\frac{r}{\lambda}).$$

Now, we observe that

$$\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(n,k) \frac{t^{n}}{n!} = \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} e^{-\frac{r}{\lambda} \log(1+\lambda t)}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{l=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) \frac{t^{l}}{l!} \right) \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{m} r^{m} \frac{1}{m!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{m}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{l=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) \frac{t^{l}}{l!} \right) \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{m} r^{m} \sum_{j=m}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(j,m) \frac{t^{j}}{j!} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \sum_{m=0}^{j} \binom{n}{j} (-1)^{m} r^{m} S_{1,\lambda}(j,m) S_{1,\lambda}(n-j,k) \right) \frac{t^{n}}{n!}.$$
(37)

Therefore, by comparing the coefficients on both sides of (37), we obtain the following theorem **Theorem 2.10.** For $n, k \ge 0$, with $n \ge k$, we have

$$S_{1,\lambda}(n,k) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-k} \sum_{m=0}^{j} \binom{n}{j} (-1)^m r^m S_{1,\lambda}(j,m) S_{1,\lambda}(n-j,k).$$

For $m, n \ge 0$, we define λ -analogues of the Whitney's type r-Stirling numbers of the first kind as

$$(mx + r)_{n,\lambda} = (mx + r)(mx + r - \lambda)(mx + r - 2\lambda)\cdots(mx + r - (n - 1)\lambda)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{n} T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m)x^{k}.$$
(38)

By (38), we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (mx + r)_{n,\lambda} \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^n T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m) x^k \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m) \frac{t^n}{n!} \right) x^k.$$
(39)

On the other hand, by binomial expansion, we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (mx+r)_{n,\lambda} \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} {mx+r \choose n}_{\lambda} t^n$$

$$= (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{mx+r}{\lambda}} = (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} e^{mx(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda})}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{m^k}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda}\right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} x^k.$$
(40)

Comparing the coefficients on both sides of (39) and (40), the generating function for $T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m)$, $(n, k \ge 0)$, is given by

$$\frac{m^k}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \tag{41}$$

From (13) and (41), we note that

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) = \frac{1}{m^k} T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m), \ (n \ge k \ge 0). \tag{42}$$

It is known that the r-Whitney numbers are defined as

$$(mx+r)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n m^k W_{m,r}(n,k)(x)_k, \quad \text{(see [3])}.$$

By (3), we get

$$(mx + r)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{l=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l)(mx + r)^{l}$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) \sum_{j=0}^{l} m^{j} W_{m,r}(l,j)(x)_{j}$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{n} \sum_{l=j}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) m^{j} W_{m,r}(l,j)(x)_{j}$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{n} \sum_{l=j}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) m^{j} W_{m,r}(l,j) \sum_{k=0}^{j} S_{1}(j,k) x^{k}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{n} \left(\sum_{i=k}^{n} \sum_{l=i}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) S_{1}(j,k) m^{j} W_{m,r}(l,j) \right) x^{k}.$$
(44)

Therefore, by (38) and (44), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2.11. *For* $n, k \ge 0$ *, with* $n \ge k$ *, we have*

$$T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m) = \sum_{j=k}^{n} \sum_{l=j}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) S_{1}(j,k) m^{j} W_{m,r}(l,j).$$

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