



SOME IDENTITIES FOR DERANGEMENT NUMBERS

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Abstract. In this paper, we give some identities involving derangement numbers. In addition, we derive nonlinear differential equation from the generating function of r -derangement numbers and obtain some identities including generalized harmonic numbers and derangement numbers by using this differential equation. For example, for any positive integers N , n and r ,

$$\sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{N-i-k} \frac{d_{n-r+k}^{(r+N-i-k+1)}}{i!(n-r+k)!} = \frac{D_r(n+N)}{n!N!}.$$

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1. INTRODUCTION

Harmonic numbers and generalized harmonic numbers have been studied since the distant past and are involved in a wide range of diverse fields such as analysis, computer science and various in a wide range of diverse fields such as analysis, computer science and various branches of number theory [1–8, 16, 17, 23–25]. The harmonic numbers are defined by

$$H_0 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad H_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

For any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$, the generalized harmonic numbers $H_n(\alpha)$ [8] are defined by

$$H_0(\alpha) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad H_n(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i\alpha^i} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

For $\alpha = 1$, the usual harmonic numbers are $H_n(1) = H_n$ and the generating function of $H_n(\alpha)$ is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n(\alpha) x^n = -\frac{\ln\left(1 - \frac{x}{\alpha}\right)}{1-x}.$$

For the generalized harmonic numbers $H_n(\alpha)$, Ömür et al. [16] defined the generalized hyperharmonic numbers of order r , $H_n^r(\alpha)$ as follows. For $r < 0$ or $n \leq 0$,

$H_n^r(\alpha) = 0$ and for $n \geq 1$,

$$H_n^r(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n H_i^{r-1}(\alpha), \quad r \geq 1,$$

where $H_n^0(\alpha) = \frac{1}{n\alpha^n}$. For $\alpha = 1$, $H_n^r(1) = H_n^r$ are the hyperharmonic numbers of order r . The generating function of these numbers is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} H_n^r(\alpha)x^n = -\frac{\ln\left(1 - \frac{x}{\alpha}\right)}{(1-x)^r}. \quad (1.1)$$

The generalized harmonic numbers $H(n, r)$ of rank r [7, 23] are defined as for $n \geq 1$ and $r \geq 0$,

$$H(n, r) = \sum_{1 \leq n_0 + n_1 + \dots + n_r \leq n} \frac{1}{n_0 n_1 \dots n_r}.$$

It is clear that $H(n, 0) = H_n$.

$H(n, r, \alpha)$ [6] are defined as for $n \geq 1$ and $r \geq 0$,

$$H(n, r, \alpha) = \sum_{1 \leq n_0 + n_1 + \dots + n_r \leq n} \frac{1}{n_0 n_1 \dots n_r \alpha^{n_0 + n_1 + \dots + n_r}}$$

or equivalently as

$$H(n, r, \alpha) = \frac{(-1)^{r+1}}{n!} \left(\frac{d^n}{dx^n} \left[\frac{[\ln(1 - \frac{x}{\alpha})]^{r+1}}{1-x} \right] \right) \Big|_{x=0}.$$

For $\alpha = 1$, $H(n, r, 1) = H(n, r)$.

The generating function of these numbers is given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} H(n, r, \alpha)x^n = \frac{(-\ln(1 - \frac{x}{\alpha}))^{r+1}}{1-x}. \quad (1.2)$$

The Cauchy numbers of order r , C_n^r , are defined by the generating functions to be

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n^r \frac{x^n}{n!} = \left(\frac{x}{\ln(1+x)} \right)^r. \quad (1.3)$$

For $r = 1$, $C_n^1 = C_n$ are called Cauchy numbers.

The Daehee numbers of order r , D_n^r , are defined by the generating functions to be

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n^r \frac{x^n}{n!} = \left(\frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} \right)^r. \quad (1.4)$$

For $r = 1$, $D_n^1 = D_n$ are called Daehee numbers.

The Stirling numbers of the first kind $S_1(n, k)$ are defined by

$$x^n = \sum_{k=0}^n S_1(n, k)x^k,$$

and the Stirling numbers of the second kind $S_2(n, k)$ are defined by

$$x^n = \sum_{k=0}^n S_2(n, k)x^k,$$

where x^n stands for the falling factorial defined by $x^0 = 1$ and $x^n = x(x-1)\cdots(x-n+1)$.

The generating function of the Stirling numbers of the first kind $S_1(n, k)$ is given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_1(n, k) \frac{x^n}{n!} = \frac{(\ln(1+x))^k}{k!}, \quad k \geq 0, \quad (1.5)$$

and the generating function of the Stirling numbers of the second kind $S_2(n, k)$ is given by

$$\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_2(n, k) \frac{x^n}{n!} = \frac{(e^x - 1)^k}{k!}, \quad k \geq 0.$$

The generalized geometric series are given by for positive integers a and b ,

$$\sum_{n=b}^{\infty} \binom{n+a-b}{a} x^n = \frac{x^b}{(1-x)^{a+1}}. \quad (1.6)$$

The exponential generating function is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = e^x. \quad (1.7)$$

The generating function of the r -derangement numbers $D_r(n)$ is given by

$$\sum_{n=r}^{\infty} D_r(n) \frac{x^n}{n!} = \frac{x^r e^{-x}}{(1-x)^{r+1}}. \quad (1.8)$$

For $r \in \mathbb{N}$, the derangement numbers $d_n^{(r)}$ of order r ($n \geq 0$) [13] are defined by the generating functions to be

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_n^{(r)} \frac{x^n}{n!} = \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right)^r e^{-x}. \quad (1.9)$$

For $r = 1$, $d_n^{(1)} = D_0(n) = d_n$ are called derangement numbers. The derangement numbers d_n are given by the closed form formula

$$d_n = n! \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i}{i!}.$$

It is known that for an exponential series $f(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n \frac{x^n}{n!}$,

$$\frac{d^m}{dx^m} f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_{n+m} \frac{x^n}{n!}, \quad (1.10)$$

and for an ordinary series $f(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n x^n$,

$$\frac{d^m}{dx^m} f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} m! \binom{m+n}{n} f_{n+m} x^n. \quad (1.11)$$

There have been many studies involving derangement numbers [4–6, 14, 20, 21, 24].

Duran et al. [6] obtained sums involving generalized harmonic numbers of rank r , derangement and special numbers. For example, for any positive integers n and r ,

$$\sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^{i-r} \binom{n}{i} r! \alpha^{-i} S_1(i, r) d_{n-i} = n! \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^{n-i}}{(n-i)!} H(i, r-1, \alpha).$$

Recently, the combinatorial properties of special numbers and polynomials have been studied using differential equations associated with the generation functions [9–12, 15, 18, 19, 22].

Kwon et al. [15] showed that for positive integer N and nonnegative integer n ,

$$D_{n+N-1} = \frac{(-1)^N (N-1)!}{n+N} \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} N^k D_{n-k}^k.$$

Ömür et al. [18] gave that for any positive integers N , n , r and m ,

$$\begin{aligned} S_1(n+N, r+1) \binom{n+N+m}{m} \binom{r+m+1}{m}^{-1} \\ = \sum_{i=0}^{n+N} \binom{n+N+m}{i} C_i^m S_1(n+N+m-i, r+m+1). \end{aligned}$$

Rim et al. [22] obtained some identities involving hyperharmonic numbers and Daehee number as follows: for any positive integer N and nonnegative integer n ,

$$n! (n+N)^{\overline{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{n+N} (-1)^{n+N-k} \binom{r}{n+N-k} H_k^r = (N-1)! \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} N^{n-k} D_k^{n-k}.$$

In this paper, we give some identities involving derangement numbers. In addition, we derive nonlinear differential equation from the generating function of r -derangement numbers and using this differential equation, obtain some identities including generalized harmonic numbers and derangement numbers. For example, for any positive integers N , n and r ,

$$\sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{N-i-k} \frac{d_{n-r+k}^{(r+N-i-k+1)}}{i!(n-r+k)!} = \frac{D_r(n+N)}{n!N!}.$$

2. SOME IDENTITIES WITH DERANGEMENT NUMBERS

In this section, we will give some identities involving Daehee, Cauchy, derangement, r -derangement and harmonic numbers.

Theorem 1. For any positive integers n, r and α , we have

$$C_n^r = \sum_{j=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^j \binom{n}{j} \binom{j}{k} C_k^r C_{j-k} D_{n-j}, \tag{2.1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{i+r}{r}^{-1} S_1(n, i) S_2(i+r, r) \tag{2.2}$$

$$= -\frac{n!}{r+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^k \sum_{i=0}^{n-k} \frac{(-1)^{k+j} \alpha^k}{(n-k)!} \binom{i+r+1}{i}^{-1} \binom{r}{j} \times S_1(n-k, i) S_2(i+r+1, r) H_{k-j}^r(\alpha). \tag{2.3}$$

Proof. We will give proof of (2.1). By (1.3) and (1.4), we write

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n^r \frac{x^n}{n!} &= \left(\frac{x}{\ln(1+x)} \right)^r = \frac{x}{\ln(1+x)} \left(\frac{x}{\ln(1+x)} \right)^r \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n^r \frac{x^n}{n!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k \frac{x^k}{k!} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} D_j \frac{x^j}{j!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} C_k^r C_{n-k} \frac{x^n}{n!} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} D_j \frac{x^j}{j!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^j \binom{n}{j} \binom{j}{k} C_k^r C_{j-k} D_{n-j} \frac{x^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, comparing the coefficients on both sides, the first result is obtained. The proofs of (2.2) and (2.3) are similar to the proof of (2.1). Thus the proof is complete. \square

Theorem 2. For any positive integers n, r and α , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (-1)^{n+r} H(n, r-1, \alpha) &= \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^i \frac{D_{j-r}^r}{\alpha^j (j-r)!} \frac{S_1(n-j, i)}{(n-j)!} \\ &= \frac{r!}{\alpha^r} \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^l (-1)^k \frac{D_j^r}{\alpha^j j!} \frac{S_1(l-j, i)}{(l-j)!} \frac{S_1(n-l, k)}{(n-l)!} S_2(i, r). \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

Proof. We will give proof of (2.4). From (1.2), (1.4) and (1.7), we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n H(n, r-1, \alpha) x^n = \frac{(-\ln(1+\frac{x}{\alpha}))^r}{1+x} = \left(-\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)^r \frac{(\ln(1+\frac{x}{\alpha}))^r}{(\frac{x}{\alpha})^r} e^{-\ln(1+x)}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n^r \frac{x^n}{\alpha^n n!} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{(\ln(1+x))^i}{i!}.$$

By (1.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (-1)^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n H(n, r-1, \alpha) x^n &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n^r \frac{x^{n+r}}{\alpha^{n+r} n!} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} S_1(n, i) \frac{x^n}{n!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_{n-r}^r \frac{x^n}{\alpha^n (n-r)!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i S_1(n, i) \frac{x^n}{n!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^j (-1)^i \frac{D_{n-j-r}^r}{\alpha^{n-j} (n-j-r)!} \frac{S_1(j, i)}{j!} x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^i \frac{D_{n-j-r}^r}{\alpha^{n-j} (n-j-r)!} \frac{S_1(j, i)}{j!} x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^i \frac{D_{j-r}^r}{\alpha^j (j-r)!} \frac{S_1(n-j, i)}{(n-j)!} x^n, \end{aligned}$$

as claimed. The proof of other equality is similar to proof of (2.4). \square

Now, for any positive integer r , we take the function $F_r(x) = \frac{e^{-x} x^r}{(1-x)^{r+1}}$. By taking the derivative of this function with respect to x , we write

$$\frac{d}{dx} F_r(x) = \frac{r+x}{1-x} F_r(x) + \frac{r}{1-x} F_{r-1}(x),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} F_r(x) &= \frac{2}{(1-x)^2} \left(\binom{r+2}{2} F_r(x) + 2 \binom{r+1}{2} F_{r-1}(x) + \binom{r}{2} F_{r-2}(x) \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{2}{1-x} ((r+1) F_r(x) + r F_{r-1}(x)) + F_r(x). \end{aligned}$$

By repeating this process, we easily have

$$\frac{d^N}{dx^N} F_r(x) = N! \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \frac{F_{r-k}(x)}{(1-x)^{N-i}}. \quad (2.5)$$

Theorem 3. For any positive integers N , n and r , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D_r(n+N)}{n! N!} &= \sum_{k=0}^r \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^i \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \binom{n-j+N-i-1}{n-j} \frac{D_{r-k}(j)}{i! j!} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \frac{d_{n-r+k}^{(r+N-i-k+1)}}{i! (n-r+k)!}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. From (1.6), (1.8) and (2.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d^N}{dx^N} \left(\frac{x^r e^{-x}}{(1-x)^{r+1}} \right) \\ &= N! \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_{r-k}(n) \frac{x^n}{n!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+N-i-1}{n} x^n. \end{aligned}$$

By product of the generating functions, we write

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d^N}{dx^N} \left(\frac{x^r e^{-x}}{(1-x)^{r+1}} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \frac{N!}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{D_{r-k}(j)}{j!} \binom{n-j+N-i-1}{n-j} x^n \\ &= N! \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i}{i!j!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \binom{n-j+N-i-1}{n-j} D_{r-k}(j) x^n. \end{aligned}$$

Also from (1.10)

$$\frac{d^N}{dx^N} \left(\frac{x^r e^{-x}}{(1-x)^{r+1}} \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{d^N}{dx^N} \left(D_r(n) \frac{x^n}{n!} \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_r(n+N) \frac{x^n}{n!}. \quad (2.6)$$

Comparing the coefficients of x^n in the first and last series, we obtain the result. Similarly, (1.9) and (2.5) yield that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d^N}{dx^N} \left(\frac{x^r e^{-x}}{(1-x)^{r+1}} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \frac{N!}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \frac{e^{-x}}{(1-x)^{r+N-i-k+1}} x^{r-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \frac{N!}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_n^{(r+N-i-k+1)} \frac{x^{n+r-k}}{n!} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \frac{N!}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_{n-r+k}^{(r+N-i-k+1)} \frac{x^n}{(n-r+k)!} \\ &= N! \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^N \binom{r}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \frac{d_{n-r+k}^{(r+N-i-k+1)}}{(n-r+k)!} x^n. \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

Thus, with the help of (2.6) and (2.7), comparing the coefficients of x^n on both sides, the other result is proof. \square

Theorem 4. For any positive integers N , n and r , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{i=0}^n D_r(i+N) S_1(n, i) \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^l (-1)^i \frac{l!}{i! j!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \binom{l-j+N-i-1}{l-j} \\
&\quad \times D_{r-k}(j) S_1(n, l) \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^l (-1)^i \frac{(r-k)!}{i!} \binom{n}{l} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \\
&\quad \times S_1(l, j) S_1(n-l, r-k) d_j^{(r+N-i-k+1)} \\
&= n! \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \sum_{j=0}^n \sum_{l=0}^j \frac{(-1)^{n+i+j+r+k}}{i!} \frac{l!}{j!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \binom{l+r+N-i-k}{l} \\
&\quad \times H(n-j, r-k-1) S_1(j, l).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

Proof. We will give proof of (2.8). From (1.6), (1.8) and (2.5) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{d^N}{dx^N} \left(\frac{(\ln(1-x))^r e^{-\ln(1-x)}}{(1-\ln(1-x))^{r+1}} \right) \\
&= N! \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \frac{F_{r-k}(\ln(1-x))}{(1-\ln(1-x))^{N-i}} \\
&= N! \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \\
&\quad \times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_{r-k}(n) \frac{(\ln(1-x))^n}{n!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+N-i-1}{n} (\ln(1-x))^n.
\end{aligned}$$

By product of the generating functions and (1.5), we write

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{d^N}{dx^N} \left(\frac{(\ln(1-x))^r e^{-\ln(1-x)}}{(1-\ln(1-x))^{r+1}} \right) \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \frac{N!}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \\
&\quad \times \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^l \frac{l!}{j!} \binom{l-j+N-i-1}{l-j} D_{r-k}(j) \frac{(\ln(1-x))^l}{l!} \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \frac{N!}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^l \frac{l!}{j!} \binom{l-j+N-i-1}{l-j} D_{r-k}(j) \sum_{n=l}^{\infty} (-1)^n S_1(n, l) \frac{x^n}{n!} \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} (-1)^i \frac{N!}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \\
 & \times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^l (-1)^n \frac{l!}{j!n!} \binom{l-j+N-i-1}{l-j} D_{r-k}(j) S_1(n, l) x^n \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^l (-1)^{n+i} \frac{N!l!}{i!j!n!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \\
 & \times \binom{l-j+N-i-1}{l-j} D_{r-k}(j) S_1(n, l) x^n. \tag{2.9}
 \end{aligned}$$

By (2.9) and taking $x \rightarrow \ln(1-x)$ in (2.6), comparing the coefficients on both sides, the desired result is obtained. The proofs of other equalities are similar to the proof of (2.8). \square

Theorem 5. For any positive integers N, n, r and α , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \binom{n+N}{N}^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \binom{r}{k} \binom{r+N-i-k}{r} \frac{d_{n-r+k}^{(r+N-i-k+1)}}{(n-r+k)!} \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{n+N} \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^{n+N-i-r+1} \frac{C_{k-i-r+1}}{(n+N-k)!(k-i-r+1)!} H_i^{r+1} \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{n+N} \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^{k-i} \alpha^{r-k+i} \frac{C_{k-i}^r}{(k-i)!} \frac{d_{n+N-k}^{(r)}}{(n+N-k)!} H(i, r-1, \alpha) \tag{2.10}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n+N} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \binom{n+N-i}{r} \tag{2.11}$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n+N} \binom{n+N-i}{r-1} \frac{d_{i-1}}{(i-1)!} \tag{2.12}$$

$$= \frac{d_{n+N-r}^{(r+1)}}{(n+N-r)!}. \tag{2.13}$$

Proof. By (1.1) and (1.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{e^{-x}x^r}{(1-x)^{r+1}} &= \frac{-\ln(1-x)}{(1-x)^{r+1}} \frac{-x}{\ln(1-x)} x^{r-1} e^{-x} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} H_n^{r+1} x^n \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i C_i \frac{x^{i+r-1}}{i!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^k}{k!}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} H_n^{r+1} x^n \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{i-r+1} C_{i-r+1} \frac{x^i}{(i-r+1)!} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^k}{k!} \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^{n-i-r+1} H_i^{r+1} \frac{C_{k-i-r+1}}{(n-k)!(k-i-r+1)!} x^n,
\end{aligned}$$

and by (1.11)

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{d^N}{dx^N} \left(\frac{e^{-x} x^r}{(1-x)^{r+1}} \right) \\
&= \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^{n-i-r+1} \binom{n}{N} N! \frac{C_{k-i-r+1} H_i^{r+1}}{(k-i-r+1)!(n-k)!} \frac{x^{n-N}}{(n-k)!} \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{n+N} \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^{n+N-i-r+1} \binom{n+N}{N} N! \frac{C_{k-i-r+1} H_i^{r+1}}{(k-i-r+1)!(n+N-k)!} \frac{x^n}{(n+N-k)!}.
\end{aligned}$$

From here, by (2.7), comparing the coefficients on both sides, the desired result is obtained. Similarly, from the equalities

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{e^{-x} x^r}{(1-x)^{r+1}} &= \frac{(-\ln(1-\frac{x}{\alpha}))^r}{(1-x)} \left(\frac{(-\frac{x}{\alpha})}{\ln(1-\frac{x}{\alpha})} \right)^r \alpha^r \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right)^r e^{-x}, \\
\frac{e^{-x} x^r}{(1-x)^{r+1}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{x^n}{n!} \sum_{n=r}^{\infty} \binom{n}{r} x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \binom{n-i}{r} x^n, \\
\frac{e^{-x} x^r}{(1-x)^{r+1}} &= \sum_{n=r-1}^{\infty} \binom{n}{r-1} x^n \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_n \frac{x^{n+1}}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n-i}{r-1} d_{i-1} \frac{x^n}{(i-1)!}, \\
\frac{e^{-x} x^r}{(1-x)^{r+1}} &= \sum_{n=r}^{\infty} d_{n-r}^{(r+1)} \frac{x^n}{(n-r)!},
\end{aligned}$$

respectively, and (1.11), we have the proofs of (2.10)-(2.13). \square

For example, by setting $n+N \rightarrow n$ in (2.11)-(2.13), it is seen that for any positive integers n and r ,

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n-i}{r} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n-i}{r-1} \frac{d_{i-1}}{(i-1)!} = \frac{d_{n-r}^{(r+1)}}{(n-r)!}. \quad (2.14)$$

Corollary 1. For any positive integers n , r and α , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^k \sum_{j=0}^{n-k+r-1} (-1)^{j+k-i} \alpha^{r-k+i} \binom{n-k-j+r-1}{r-1} \frac{C_{k-i}^r}{(k-i)!} \frac{H(i, r-1, \alpha)}{j!} \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^{n-i-r+1} \frac{C_{k-i-r+1}}{(k-i-r+1)!} \frac{H_i^{r+1}}{(n-k)!}.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. By setting $n + N \rightarrow n$ in Theorem 5 and (2.14), the proof is clearly given. \square

Theorem 6. Let n, r and m be positive integers such that $r > m$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^n S_1(n, i) D_r(i) &= \sum_{j=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^j (-1)^{j-i} i! \binom{j}{i} \binom{i}{r} S_1(n, j) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^k \sum_{i=0}^j (-1)^{j-i} (i+r)! \binom{j}{i} \binom{n}{k} S_1(k, j) S_1(n-k, r) \\ &= (-1)^{r-m} m! n! \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^k \sum_{i=0}^{n-k} (-1)^{j-k} \frac{i!}{j!(n-k)!} \binom{i+r}{i} H(k-j, r-m-1) \\ &\quad \times S_1(j, m) S_1(n-k, i), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^n S_1(n, i) D_r(i) &= r! \sum_{i=r}^n (-1)^n \binom{i}{r} d_{i-r}^{(r+1)} S_1(n, i) \\ &= n! \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^{r+k} \frac{i!}{k!} \binom{i+r}{i} S_1(k, i) H(n-k, r-1). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Taking $\ln(1-x)$ instead of x and setting $n + N \rightarrow n$ in Theorem 5, we can easily obtain these equalities. \square

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