

## RAMANUJAN-TYPE CONGRUENCES MODULO POWERS OF 5 AND 7

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Let  $b_\ell(n)$  denote the number of  $\ell$ -regular partitions of  $n$ . In 2012, using the theory of modular forms, Furcy and Penniston presented several infinite families of congruences modulo 3 for some values of  $\ell$ . In particular, they showed that for  $\alpha, n \geq 0$ ,  $b_{25}(3^{2\alpha+3}n + 2 \cdot 3^{2\alpha+2} - 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ . Most recently, congruences modulo powers of 5 for  $c_5(n)$  was proved by Wang, where  $c_N(n)$  counts the number of bipartitions  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  of  $n$  such that each part of  $\lambda_2$  is divisible by  $N$ . In this paper, we prove some interesting Ramanujan-type congruences modulo powers of 5 for  $b_{25}(n)$ ,  $B_{25}(n)$ ,  $c_{25}(n)$  and modulo powers of 7 for  $c_{49}(n)$ . For example, we prove that for  $j \geq 1$ ,

$$c_{25}\left(5^{2j}n + \frac{11 \cdot 5^{2j} + 13}{12}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{5^{j+1}},$$

$$c_{49}\left(7^{2j}n + \frac{11 \cdot 7^{2j} + 25}{12}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7^{j+1}}$$

and

$$b_{25}\left(3^{2\alpha+3} \cdot 5^{2j-1} \cdot n + 2 \cdot 3^{2\alpha+2} \cdot 5^{2j-1} - 1\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{3 \cdot 5^{2j-1}}.$$

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $p(n)$  denote the number of unrestricted partitions of the positive integer  $n$ . In [7], Ramanujan presented the following generating functions for  $p(5n + 4)$  and  $p(7n + 5)$ .

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p(5n + 4)q^n = 5 \frac{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^5}{(q; q)_{\infty}^6} \tag{1.1}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p(7n+5)q^n = 7 \frac{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}^3}{(q; q)_{\infty}^4} + 49q \frac{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}^7}{(q; q)_{\infty}^8}, \quad (1.2)$$

where

$$(a; q)_{\infty} := \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 - aq^k), \quad |q| < 1.$$

It follows from (1.1) and (1.2) that

$$p(5n+4) \equiv 0 \pmod{5} \quad \text{and} \quad p(7n+5) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

Ramanujan [7] further conjectured that for any integer  $j \geq 1$ ,

$$p(5^j n + \delta_5(j)) \equiv 0 \pmod{5^j}, \quad (1.3)$$

$$p(7^j n + \delta_7(j)) \equiv 0 \pmod{7^j}, \quad (1.4)$$

where  $0 < \delta_{\ell}(j) < \ell^j$  satisfies the congruence  $24\delta_{\ell}(j) \equiv 1 \pmod{\ell^j}$ . Ramanujan gave a brief sketch of a proof of (1.3) in an unpublished manuscript [8]. Ramanujan's conjecture (1.4) was incorrect and a corrected version (1.4) was proved by Watson [10] on utilizing modular equation of seventh order. In fact he proved that if  $j \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 0$ ,

$$p(7^{2j-1}n + \delta_7(2j-1)) \equiv 0 \pmod{7^j} \quad (1.5)$$

and

$$p(7^{2j}n + \delta_7(2j)) \equiv 0 \pmod{7^{j+1}}. \quad (1.6)$$

By utilizing the classical identities of Euler and Jacobi, Hirschhorn and Hunt [5] and Garvan [4] gave a simple proof of (1.3) and (1.5)-(1.6), respectively.

Very Recently, Ranganatha [9] proved an analogue of (1.3) for the sequence  $A_5(n)$ :

$$A_5(5^{\alpha}n + 5^{\alpha} - 2) \equiv 0 \pmod{5^{\alpha}}, \quad \alpha \geq 1,$$

where

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_5(n)q^n = \frac{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^{10}}{(q; q)_{\infty}^2}.$$

An  $\ell$ -regular partition is a partition where none of its part is divisible by  $\ell$ . The generating function for  $b_\ell(n)$ , which counts the number of  $\ell$ -regular partitions of  $n$  is given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_\ell(n)q^n = \frac{(q^\ell; q^\ell)_\infty}{(q; q)_\infty}. \quad (1.7)$$

Using the theory of modular forms, Furcy and Penniston [3] discovered several infinite families of congruences modulo 3 for  $b_\ell(n)$  where  $\ell \in \{4, 7, 13, 19, 25, 34, 37, 43, 49\}$ . For example, they proved that for all  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $n \geq 0$ ,

$$b_{25}\left(3^{2\alpha+3}n + 2 \cdot 3^{2\alpha+2} - 1\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{3}. \quad (1.8)$$

A bipartition of  $n$  is an ordered pair of partitions  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  such that the sum of all the parts of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  equals  $n$ . A bipartition  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  of  $n$  is said to be  $\ell$ -regular bipartition of  $n$  if none of the parts of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are divisible by  $\ell$ . The generating function for  $B_\ell(n)$ , the number of  $\ell$ -regular bipartitions of  $n$  is given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_\ell(n)q^n = \frac{(q^\ell; q^\ell)_\infty^2}{(q; q)_\infty^2}. \quad (1.9)$$

Recently, by following the strategy of Hirschhorn and Hunt [5], Wang [11, 12] established several infinite families of congruences modulo powers of 5 for  $b_5(n)$  and  $B_5(n)$ . In recent days, a number of mathematicians studied the congruence properties for  $b_\ell(n)$  and  $B_\ell(n)$ . For example, see the references listed in [11, 12].

Let  $c_N(n)$  denote the number of bipartitions  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$  of  $n$  such that each part of  $\lambda_2$  is divisible by  $N$ . Then the generating function for  $c_N(n)$  is given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_N(n)q^n = \frac{1}{(q; q)_\infty (q^N; q^N)_\infty}. \quad (1.10)$$

Congruences for  $c_2(n)$  modulo powers of 3 was proved by Chan [1] and modulo powers of 5 was proved by Chan and Toh [2] and Xiong [13]. Soon after, Liu and Zhang [6] discovered several infinite families of congruences modulo 3 for  $c_5(n)$ . Most recently, Wang [12] established several Ramanujan-type congruences modulo powers of 5 for  $c_5(n)$ .

In this paper, we prove Ramanujan-type congruences for  $b_{25}(n)$ ,  $B_{25}(n)$ ,  $c_{25}(n)$  modulo powers of 5 and for  $c_{49}(n)$  modulo powers of 7. The main results of this paper can be stated as follows:

**Theorem 1.1** — For  $j \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$c_{25} \left( 5^{2j-1}n + \frac{7 \cdot 5^{2j-1} + 13}{12} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{5^j} \quad (1.11)$$

and

$$c_{25} \left( 5^{2j}n + \frac{11 \cdot 5^{2j} + 13}{12} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{5^{j+1}}. \quad (1.12)$$

**Theorem 1.2** — For  $j \geq 1$  and  $\alpha, n \geq 0$ , we have

$$b_{25} \left( 5^j n + 5^j - 1 \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{5^j}, \quad (1.13)$$

$$B_{25} \left( 5^j n + 5^j - 2 \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{5^j} \quad (1.14)$$

and

$$b_{25} \left( 3^{2\alpha+3} \cdot 5^{2j-1} \cdot n + 2 \cdot 3^{2\alpha+2} \cdot 5^{2j-1} - 1 \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{3 \cdot 5^{2j-1}}. \quad (1.15)$$

**Theorem 1.3** — For  $j \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$c_{49} \left( 7^{2j-1}n + \frac{5 \cdot 7^{2j-1} + 25}{12} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7^j} \quad (1.16)$$

and

$$c_{49} \left( 7^{2j}n + \frac{11 \cdot 7^{2j} + 25}{12} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7^{j+1}}. \quad (1.17)$$

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we collect number of lemmas which are essential in the proofs of main results of this paper. Let  $g(q) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g_n q^n$  in the annulus  $0 < |q| < k$ , where  $k \geq 1$  or  $+\infty$ . In [5], Hirschhorn and Hunt introduced the ‘‘huffing’’ operator  $H$  modulo 5, that is,

$$Hg = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g_{5n} q^{5n}$$

and proved that

$$H(G^j) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} m(j, k)u^{j-k}, \tag{2.1}$$

where  $G := G(q) = \frac{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6}{q^4(q; q)_{\infty}(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^5}$ ,  $u := u(q) = \frac{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6}{q^5(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^6}$  and the matrix  $M = \{m(j, k)\}_{j, k \geq 1}$  is defined as follows:

The first five rows of  $M$  are

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \dots \\ 10 & 125 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \dots \\ 9 & 375 & 3125 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & \dots \\ 4 & 550 & 12500 & 78125 & 0 & \cdot & \dots \\ 1 & 500 & 25000 & 390625 & 1953125 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

and for  $j \geq 6$ ,  $m(j, 1) = 0$  and for  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$m(j, k) = 25m(j - 1, k - 1) + 25m(j - 2, k - 1) + 15m(j - 3, k - 1) + 5m(j - 4, k - 1) + m(j - 5, k - 1).$$

By induction, we can show that  $m(j, k)$  vanishes for all  $j$  greater than  $5k$  and less than  $k$ , that is,

$$m(j, k) = 0 \quad \text{for } j \geq 5k + 1 \quad \text{or } j \leq k - 1. \tag{2.2}$$

*Lemma 2.1* — ([5, Lemma (2.9)]). For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$H(G^{6j}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} m(6j, j + k)u^{5j-k}. \tag{2.3}$$

In view of (2.1) and (2.2), we have the following lemma.

*Lemma 2.2* — For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$H(G^{6j+2}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} m(6j + 2, j + k)u^{5j+2-k}. \tag{2.4}$$

Let  $\pi_5(n)$  (respectively  $\pi_7(n)$ ) denote the power of 5 (respectively 7) in the unique prime factorisation of  $n \geq 2$ . For convention, we let  $\pi_5(0) = \pi_7(0) = +\infty$ . The following lemma was proved by Hirschhorn and Hunt [5].

*Lemma 2.3* — ([5, Lemma (4.1)]). For  $j, k \geq 1$ , we have

$$\pi_5(m(j, k)) \geq \left\lceil \frac{5k - j - 1}{2} \right\rceil. \quad (2.5)$$

The “huffing” operator  $H_0$  modulo 7 is defined as follows.

$$H_0 g = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g_{7n} q^{7n}.$$

In [4], Garvan discovered the following lemma.

*Lemma 2.4* — ([4, Lemma (3.1)]). For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$H_0(\xi^{-j}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} m'(j, k) T^{-k}, \quad (2.6)$$

where

$$\xi = \frac{(q; q)_{\infty}}{q^2(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}}, \quad T = \frac{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}^4}{q^7(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^4} \quad (2.7)$$

and the  $m'(j, k)$  are as defined in [4, pp.318-319].

*Lemma 2.5* — We have

$$m'(j, k) = 0 \quad \text{for } j \geq 4k \quad \text{or} \quad k \geq 2j + 1. \quad (2.8)$$

As this can be easily proved by induction, we omit the proof.

*Lemma 2.6* — ([4, Lemma (3.4)]). For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$H_0(\xi^{4j}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} m'(4j, j+k) T^{-j-k}. \quad (2.9)$$

The following lemma follows from (2.6) and (2.8).

*Lemma 2.7* — For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$H_0(\xi^{-4j-2}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} m'(4j+2, j+k) T^{-j-k}. \quad (2.10)$$

*Lemma 2.8* — (4, [Lemma (5.1)]). For any  $j, k \geq 1$ , we have

$$\pi_7(m'(j, k)) \geq \left\lceil \frac{7k - 2j - 1}{4} \right\rceil. \quad (2.11)$$

3. CONGRUENCES MODULO POWERS OF 5 FOR  $c_{25}(n)$

In this section, we prove the Theorem 1.1.

We define the matrix  $M_1 = \{a(j, k)\}_{j, k \geq 1}$  as follows:

$$a(1, 1) = 5 \quad \text{and} \quad a(1, k) = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad k \geq 2 \tag{3.1}$$

and

$$a(j + 1, k) = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(j, i)m(6i, i + k), & \text{if } j \text{ is odd,} \\ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(j, i)m(6i + 2, i + k), & \text{if } j \text{ is even.} \end{cases} \tag{3.2}$$

**Theorem 3.1** — For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{25} \left( 5^{2j-1}n + \frac{7 \cdot 5^{2j-1} + 13}{12} \right) q^{n+1} = \frac{1}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a(2j - 1, k) \cdot u^{-5k} \cdot G^{6k} \tag{3.3}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{25} \left( 5^{2j}n + \frac{11 \cdot 5^{2j} + 13}{12} \right) q^{n-2} = \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^4}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a(2j, k) \cdot u^{-5k-1} \cdot G^{6k+2}. \tag{3.4}$$

PROOF : Setting  $N = 25$  in (1.10), we see that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{25}(n)q^{n+1} = \frac{1}{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^2} \cdot u^{-1} \cdot G.$$

In view of operator  $H$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{25}(5n + 4)q^{5n+5} = H \left( \frac{u^{-1} \cdot G}{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^2} \right) = \frac{u^{-1}}{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^2} \cdot H(G) = 5 \frac{q^5 (q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^4}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6}. \tag{3.5}$$

Replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$  in (3.5), we see that (3.3) holds for  $j = 1$ . Suppose that (3.3) holds for some  $j$ .

Applying operator  $H$  on both sides of (3.3) and then using (2.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{25} \left( 5^{2j}n + \frac{11 \cdot 5^{2j} + 13}{12} \right) q^{5n+5} &= H \left( \frac{1}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a(2j-1, k) \cdot u^{-5k} \cdot G^{6k} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a(2j-1, k) \cdot u^{-5k} \cdot H(G^{6k}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a(2j-1, k) u^{-5k} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m(6k, i+k) u^{5k-i} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a(2j-1, k) m(6k, i+k) \cdot u^{-i} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(2j, i) \left( \frac{q^5(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^6}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6} \right)^i. \tag{3.6}
 \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$  in (3.6) and then utilizing the definitions of  $u$  and  $G$ , we can rewrite the resulting identity as

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{25} \left( 5^{2j}n + \frac{11 \cdot 5^{2j} + 13}{12} \right) q^{n-2} = \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^4}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(2j, i) \cdot u^{-5i-1} \cdot G^{6i+2}. \tag{3.7}$$

Applying the operator  $H$  on both sides of (3.7) and then using (2.4), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{25} \left( 5^{2j+1}n + \frac{7 \cdot 5^{2j+1} + 13}{12} \right) q^{5n} &= H \left( \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^4}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(2j, i) \cdot u^{-5i-1} \cdot G^{6i+2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^4}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(2j, i) \cdot u^{-5i-1} \cdot H(G^{6i+2}) \\
 &= \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^4}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(2j, i) u^{-5i-1} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} m(6i+2, k+i) u^{5i+2-k} \\
 &= \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^4}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(2j, i) m(6i+2, k+i) u^{1-k} \\
 &= \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^4}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a(2j+1, k) \left( \frac{q^5(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^6}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6} \right)^{k-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Changing  $q^5$  to  $q$  in the above equation and then employing the definitions of  $u$  and  $G$  in the resulting identity, we see that (3.3) holds for  $j+1$ . This completes the proof of (3.3). The proof of (3.4) follows from (3.3) and (3.7). □



*Lemma 3.2* — For  $j \geq 1$  and  $k \geq 1$ , we have

$$\pi_5(a(2j - 1, k)) \geq j + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - 5}{2} \right\rfloor \tag{3.8}$$

and

$$\pi_5(a(2j, k)) \geq j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - 5}{2} \right\rfloor. \tag{3.9}$$

PROOF : Since  $\pi_5(a(1, 1)) = 1$  and  $\pi_5(a(1, k)) = +\infty$  for  $k \geq 2$ , we have (3.8) holds for  $j = 1$ . Suppose that (3.8) holds for some  $j$ . From (2.5) and (3.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_5(a(2j, k)) &= \pi_5\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(2j - 1, i)m(6i, i + k)\right) \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 1} \{ \pi_5(a(2j - 1, i)) + \pi_5(m(6i, i + k)) \} \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 1} \left\{ j + \left\lfloor \frac{5i - 5}{2} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - i - 1}{2} \right\rfloor \right\} \\ &\geq j + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - 2}{2} \right\rfloor \geq j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - 5}{2} \right\rfloor. \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

Again in the view of (2.5) and (3.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_5(a(2j + 1, k)) &= \pi_5\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(2j, i)m(6i + 2, i + k)\right) \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 1} \{ \pi_5(a(2j, i)) + \pi_5(m(6i + 2, i + k)) \} \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 1} \left\{ j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{5i - 5}{2} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - i - 3}{2} \right\rfloor \right\} \\ &\geq j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - 4}{2} \right\rfloor \geq j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - 5}{2} \right\rfloor, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that (3.8) holds for  $j + 1$ . Proof of (3.9) follows from (3.8) and (3.10). □

*Lemma 3.3* — For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$a(2j - 1, 1) \equiv 2^{j-1} \cdot 5^j \cdot 11^{j-1} \pmod{5^{j+2}} \tag{3.11}$$

and

$$a(2j, 1) \equiv 13 \cdot 2^{j-1} \cdot 5^{j+1} \cdot 11^{j-1} \pmod{5^{j+3}}. \tag{3.12}$$

PROOF : By (3.2), we have

$$a(2j+1, 1) = a(2j, 1)m(8, 2) + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} a(2j, i)m(6i+2, i+1), \quad (3.13)$$

$$a(2j, 1) = a(2j-1, 1)m(6, 2) + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} a(2j-1, i)m(6i, i+1). \quad (3.14)$$

In view of (2.5), (3.8) and (3.9), we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_5 \left( \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} a(2j, i)m(6i+2, i+1) \right) &\geq \min_{i \geq 2} \left\{ \pi_5(a(2j, i)) + \pi_5(m(6i+2, i+1)) \right\} \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 2} \left\{ j+1 + \left\lfloor \frac{5i-5}{2} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{2-i}{2} \right\rfloor \right\} \geq j+3 \end{aligned} \quad (3.15)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_5 \left( \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} a(2j-1, i)m(6i, i+1) \right) &\geq \min_{i \geq 2} \left\{ \pi_5(a(2j-1, i)) + \pi_5(m(6i, i+1)) \right\} \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 2} \left\{ j + \left\lfloor \frac{5i-5}{2} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{4-i}{2} \right\rfloor \right\} \geq j+3. \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

From (3.13) to (3.16), we deduce

$$a(2j+1, 1) \equiv a(2j, 1)m(8, 2) \pmod{5^{j+3}}, \quad (3.17)$$

$$a(2j, 1) \equiv a(2j-1, 1)m(6, 2) \pmod{5^{j+3}}. \quad (3.18)$$

From these two congruences, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a(2j+1, 1) &\equiv a(2j-1, 1)m(6, 2)m(8, 2) = 13860a(2j-1, 1) \\ &\equiv 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 11 \cdot a(2j-1, 1) \pmod{5^{j+3}} \end{aligned}$$

and since  $a(1, 1) = 5$ , by induction, we obtain (3.11). From (3.11) and (3.18), arrive at (3.12).  $\square$

Theorem 1.1 now follows from Theorem 3.1, (3.11) and (3.12).

#### 4. CONGRUENCES MODULO POWERS OF 5 FOR $b_{25}(n)$ AND $B_{25}(n)$

To prove our Theorem 1.2, we need the following results whose proofs are analogues to that of Theorem 3.1 and thus proofs are omitted.

**Theorem 4.1** — For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{25} \left( 5^j n + 5^j - 1 \right) q^{n+1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a(j, k) \cdot u^{-5k} \cdot G^{6k}, \tag{4.1}$$

where

$$a(1, 1) = 5, \quad a(1, k) = 0 \text{ for } k \geq 2 \text{ and } a(j + 1, k) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a(j, i) m(6i, i + k). \tag{4.2}$$

**Theorem 4.2** — For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{25} \left( 5^j n + 5^j - 2 \right) q^{n+1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} d(j, k) \cdot u^{-5k} \cdot G^{6k}, \tag{4.3}$$

where

$$d(1, 1) = 10, \quad d(1, 2) = 125, \quad d(1, k) = 0 \text{ for } k \geq 3 \text{ and } d(j + 1, k) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} d(j, i) m(6i, i + k). \tag{4.4}$$

**Lemma 4.3** — For  $j \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$b_{25} \left( 5^j n + 5^j - 1 \right) \equiv 5^j \cdot 13^{j-1} \cdot b_{25}(n) \pmod{5^{j+1}} \tag{4.5}$$

and

$$B_{25} \left( 5^j n + 5^j - 2 \right) \equiv 2 \cdot 5^j \cdot 13^{j-1} \cdot b_{25}(n) \pmod{5^{j+1}}. \tag{4.6}$$

PROOF : Using (2.5) and by induction on  $j$ , we can show that

$$\pi_5(a(j, k)) \geq j + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - 5}{2} \right\rfloor \tag{4.7}$$

and

$$\pi_5(d(j, k)) \geq j + \left\lfloor \frac{5k - 5}{2} \right\rfloor, \quad \text{for } j, k \geq 1. \tag{4.8}$$

From (2.5) and (4.7), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_5 \left( \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} a(j, i) m(6i, i + 1) \right) &\geq \min_{i \geq 2} \{ \pi_5(a(j, k)) + \pi_5(m(6i, i + 1)) \} \\ &\geq \left\{ j + \left\lfloor \frac{5i - 5}{2} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{4 - i}{2} \right\rfloor \right\} \\ &\geq j + 3. \end{aligned} \tag{4.9}$$

In view of (4.2) and (4.9), we have

$$a(j+1, 1) \equiv 315a(j, 1) \pmod{5^{j+3}}. \quad (4.10)$$

Because  $a(1, 1) = 5$ , from (4.10) and by induction on  $j$ , we find that

$$a(j, 1) \equiv 5^j \cdot 13^{j-1} \pmod{5^{j+1}}.$$

Applying the above congruence in (4.1), we obtain

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{25} \left( 5^j n + 5^j - 1 \right) q^n \equiv 5^j \cdot 13^{j-1} \cdot u^{-5} \cdot G^6 = 5^j \cdot 13^{j-1} \cdot \frac{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6}{(q; q)_{\infty}^6} \pmod{5^{j+1}}. \quad (4.11)$$

Since  $(q; q)_{\infty}^5 \equiv (q^5; q^5)_{\infty} \pmod{5}$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{25} \left( 5^j n + 5^j - 1 \right) q^n \equiv 5^j \cdot 13^{j-1} \cdot \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}}{(q; q)_{\infty}} = 5^j \cdot 13^{j-1} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{25}(n) q^n \pmod{5^{j+1}}, \quad (4.12)$$

which implies (4.5). Proof of (4.6) follows in a similar way, except that in the place of (4.2) and (4.7), (4.4) and (4.8) are used, respectively and the numbers  $d(j, 1)$  satisfies the congruence  $d(j, 1) \equiv 2 \cdot 5^j \cdot 13^{j-1} \pmod{5^{j+1}}$ .  $\square$

Now, congruences (1.13) and (1.14) follow from (4.5) and (4.6), respectively. Changing  $j$  to  $2j - 1$  and  $n$  to  $3^{2\alpha+3} \cdot n + 3^{2\alpha+2} - 1$  in (1.13), we deduce that

$$b_{25} \left( 5^{2j-1} \cdot \left( 3^{2\alpha+3} \cdot n + 3^{2\alpha+2} - 1 \right) + 5^{2j-1} - 1 \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{5^{2j-1}},$$

which is same as

$$b_{25} \left( 3^{2\alpha+3} \cdot \left( 5^{2j-1} \cdot n + \frac{5^{2j-1} - 2}{3} \right) + 2 \cdot 3^{2\alpha+2} - 1 \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{5^{2j-1}}. \quad (4.13)$$

If we replace  $n$  by  $5^{2j-1} \cdot n + \frac{5^{2j-1} - 2}{3}$  in (1.8), we obtain

$$b_{25} \left( 3^{2\alpha+3} \cdot \left( 5^{2j-1} \cdot n + \frac{5^{2j-1} - 2}{3} \right) + 2 \cdot 3^{2\alpha+2} - 1 \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{3}. \quad (4.14)$$

Finally, congruence (1.15) follows from (4.13) and (4.14). This completes the proof of Theorem 1.2.

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In this section, we prove Theorem 1.3. We first define the matrix  $M_2 = \{g(j, k)\}_{j, k \geq 1}$  as follows:

$$g(1, 1) = 7, \quad g(1, 2) = 49 \quad \text{and} \quad g(1, k) = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad k \geq 3 \tag{5.1}$$

and

$$g(j + 1, k) = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(j, i)m'(4i, i + k), & \text{if } j \text{ is odd,} \\ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(j, i)m'(4i + 2, i + k), & \text{if } j \text{ is even.} \end{cases} \tag{5.2}$$

In view of (2.8), we note that the summation in (5.2) is indeed finite.

**Theorem 5.1** — For  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{49} \left( 7^{2j-1}n + \frac{5 \cdot 7^{2j-1} + 25}{12} \right) q^{n+1} = \frac{1}{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g(2j - 1, k) \cdot T^k \cdot \xi^{-4k} \tag{5.3}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{49} \left( 7^{2j}n + \frac{11 \cdot 7^{2j} + 25}{12} \right) q^{n+5} = \frac{1}{(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g(2j, k) \cdot T^k \cdot \xi^{-(4k+2)}. \tag{5.4}$$

PROOF : We proceed by induction on  $j$ . Setting  $N = 49$  in (1.10), we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{49}(n)q^{n+2} = \frac{1}{(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^2} \cdot \xi^{-1}. \tag{5.5}$$

Extracting the terms involving  $q^{7n}$  on both sides of (5.5), we obtain

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{49}(7n + 5)q^{7n+7} = \frac{1}{(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^2} \left( 7 \frac{q^7(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^4}{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}^4} + 49 \frac{q^{14}(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^8}{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}^8} \right). \tag{5.6}$$

Cancelling  $q^7$  on both sides of (5.6) and then replacing  $q^7$  by  $q$ , we see that (5.3) holds for  $j = 1$ . Suppose that (5.3) holds for some  $j$ . Applying the operator  $H_0$  on both sides of (5.3) and then using

(2.9), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{49} \left( 7^{2j} n + \frac{11 \cdot 7^{2j} + 25}{12} \right) q^{7n+7} &= \frac{1}{(q^7, q^7)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g(2j-1, k) \cdot H_0(T^k \cdot \xi^{-4k}) \\
&= \frac{1}{(q^7, q^7)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g(2j-1, k) \cdot H_0(T^k \cdot \xi^{-4k}) \\
&= \frac{1}{(q^7, q^7)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g(2j-1, k) \cdot T^k \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} m'(4k, i+k) T^{-i-k} \\
&= \frac{1}{(q^7, q^7)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g(2j-1, k) m'(4k, i+k) T^{-i} \\
&= \frac{1}{(q^7, q^7)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(2j, i) \left( \frac{q^7 (q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^4}{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}^4} \right)^i. \tag{5.7}
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q^7$  by  $q$  in the above equation and then employing the definitions of  $\xi$  and  $T$  in the resulting identity, we find that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{49} \left( 7^{2j} n + \frac{11 \cdot 7^{2j} + 25}{12} \right) q^{n+5} = \frac{1}{(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(2j, i) \cdot T^i \cdot \xi^{-(4i+2)}. \tag{5.8}$$

Again applying the operator  $H_0$  on both sides of (5.8) and using (2.10), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{49} \left( 7^{2j+1} n + \frac{5 \cdot 7^{2j} + 25}{12} \right) q^{7n+7} &= \frac{1}{(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(2j, i) \cdot H_0(T^i \cdot \xi^{-(4i+2)}) \\
&= \frac{1}{(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(2j, i) \cdot T^i \cdot H_0(\xi^{-(4i+2)}) \\
&= \frac{1}{(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(2j, i) \cdot T^i \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} m'(4i+2, k+i) T^{-i-k} \\
&= \frac{1}{(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(2j, i) \cdot m'(4k+2, j+k) T^{-k} \\
&= \frac{1}{(q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g(2j+1, k) \left( \frac{q^7 (q^{49}; q^{49})_{\infty}^4}{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}^4} \right)^k. \tag{5.9}
\end{aligned}$$

Changing  $q^7$  to  $q$  in the above equation and then applying (2.7), we obtain

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{49} \left( 7^{2j+1} n + \frac{5 \cdot 7^{2j+1} + 25}{12} \right) q^{n+1} = \frac{1}{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}^2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} g(2j+1, k) \cdot T^k \cdot \xi^{-(4k+2)}.$$

This implies that (5.3) holds for  $j + 1$ . This completes the proof of (5.3). The proof of (5.4) follows from (5.3) and (5.8).  $\square$

*Lemma 5.2* — For all  $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$\pi_7(g(2j - 1, k)) \geq j + \left\lfloor \frac{7k - 7}{4} \right\rfloor \tag{5.10}$$

and

$$\pi_7(g(2j, k)) \geq j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{7k - 7}{4} \right\rfloor. \tag{5.11}$$

PROOF : Since  $\pi_7(g(1, 1)) = 1$ ,  $\pi_7(g(1, 2)) = 2$ , and  $\pi_7(g(1, k)) = +\infty$  for  $k \geq 3$ , we have (5.10) holds for  $j = 1$ . Suppose that (5.10) holds for some  $j$ . From (2.11) and (5.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_7(g(2j, k)) &= \pi_7\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(2j - 1, i)m'(4i, i + k)\right) \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 1} \{ \pi_7(g(2j - 1, i)) + \pi_7(m'(4i, i + k)) \} \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 1} \left\{ j + \left\lfloor \frac{7i - 7}{4} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{7k - i - 1}{4} \right\rfloor \right\} \\ &\geq j + \left\lfloor \frac{7k - 2}{4} \right\rfloor \geq j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{7k - 7}{4} \right\rfloor. \end{aligned} \tag{5.12}$$

Again in the view of (2.11) and (5.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_7(g(2j + 1, k)) &= \pi_7\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g(2j, i)m'(4i + 2, i + k)\right) \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 1} \{ \pi_7(g(2j, i)) + \pi_7(m'(4i + 2, i + k)) \} \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 1} \left\{ j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{7i - 7}{4} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{7k - i - 5}{4} \right\rfloor \right\} \\ &\geq j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{7k - 6}{4} \right\rfloor \geq j + 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{7k - 7}{4} \right\rfloor, \end{aligned} \tag{5.13}$$

which implies that (5.10) holds for  $j + 1$ . This completes the proof of (5.10). Proof of (5.11) follows from (5.10) and (5.12).

*Lemma 5.3* — For  $j \geq 1$ , we have

$$g(2j - 1, 1) \equiv 2^{j-1} \cdot 7^j \pmod{7^{j+1}} \tag{5.14}$$

and

$$g(2j, 1) \equiv 2^{j-1} \cdot 5 \cdot 7^{j+1} \pmod{7^{j+2}}. \quad (5.15)$$

PROOF : By (5.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_7 \left( \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} g(2j-1, i) m'(4i, i+1) \right) &\geq \min_{i \geq 2} \left\{ \pi_7(g(2j-1, i)) + \pi_7(m'(4i, i+1)) \right\} \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 2} \left\{ j + \left[ \frac{7i-7}{4} \right] + \left[ \frac{6-i}{4} \right] \right\} \geq j+2 \end{aligned} \quad (5.16)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_7 \left( \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} g(2j, i) m'(4i+2, i+1) \right) &\geq \min_{i \geq 2} \left\{ \pi_7(g(2j, i)) + \pi_7(m'(4i+2, i+1)) \right\} \\ &\geq \min_{i \geq 2} \left\{ j+1 + \left[ \frac{7i-7}{4} \right] + \left[ \frac{2-i}{4} \right] \right\} \geq j+2. \end{aligned} \quad (5.17)$$

Using (5.16) and (5.17) in (5.2), we see that

$$g(2j, 1) \equiv g(2j-1, 1) m'(4, 2) \pmod{7^{j+2}}, \quad (5.18)$$

$$g(2j+1, 1) \equiv g(2j, 1) m'(6, 2) \pmod{7^{j+2}}. \quad (5.19)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} g(2j+1, 1) &\equiv m'(4, 2) m'(6, 2) g(2j-1, 1) = 15498 g(2j-1, 1) \\ &\equiv 14 g(2j-1, 1) \pmod{7^{j+2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.20)$$

From (5.20) and by induction on  $j$ , we deduce (5.14). In view of (5.14) and (5.18), we have (5.15).  $\square$

Theorem 1.3 follows from (5.1), (5.14) and (5.15).

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