

## CONGRUENCES MODULO 7 AND 11 FOR $(s, t)$ -REGULAR BIPARTITIONS

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ABSTRACT. Let  $B_{s,t}(n)$  denote the number of  $(s, t)$ -regular bipartitions of  $n$ . In this paper, we prove several infinite families of congruences modulo  $s$  for  $B_{s,t}(n)$ , where  $(s, t) \in \{(7, 5), (7, 25), (7, 125), (11, 5)\}$ .

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout the paper, we will use the following notation:

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

By the binomial theorem, it is easy to check that, for any prime  $p$ ,

$$(1) \quad (q; q)_{\infty}^p \equiv (q^p; q^p)_{\infty} \pmod{p}.$$

Let  $k$  be a positive integer. A  $k$ -regular partition is a partition where none of its parts are divisible by  $k$ . Let  $b_k(0) = 1$  and for  $n \geq 1$ , let  $b_k(n)$  denote the number of  $k$ -regular partitions of  $n$ . The generating function for  $b_k(n)$  is given by

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_k(n)q^n = \frac{(q^k; q^k)_{\infty}}{(q; q)_{\infty}}.$$

Many results on the arithmetic of  $b_k(n)$  modulo  $m$  have been proven for various values of  $k$  and  $m$  (see, for example, [3, 11, 15]).

A bipartition  $(\lambda, \mu)$  of  $n$  is a pair of partitions  $(\lambda, \mu)$  such that the sum of all the parts of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  equal  $n$ . For positive integers  $s \geq 2$  and  $t \geq 2$ , an  $(s, t)$ -regular bipartition of  $n$  is a bipartition  $(\lambda, \mu)$  of  $n$  such that  $\lambda$  is a  $s$ -regular partition and  $\mu$  is a  $t$ -regular partition. For example, let  $\lambda_1 = 6 + 3 + 1 + 1$  and  $\mu_1 = 5 + 4 + 2$ . Then  $(\lambda_1, \mu_1)$  is a  $(5, 7)$ -regular partition of 22. Let  $B_{s,t}(n)$  denote the number of  $(s, t)$ -regular bipartitions of  $n$ . The generating function for  $B_{s,t}(n)$  is given by

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

Motivated by the works of Ramanujan on congruences for unrestricted partition function  $p(n)$ , many researchers considered the function  $B_{s,t}(n)$  and studied its congruence properties. For example, Lin [6, 7] discovered some

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infinite families of congruences modulo 3 for  $B_{7,7}(n)$  and  $B_{13,13}(n)$ , namely, for  $\alpha \geq 2$  and  $n \geq 0$ ,

$$B_{7,7}\left(3^\alpha n + \frac{5 \cdot 3^{\alpha-1} - 1}{2}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

and

$$B_{13,13}\left(3^\alpha n + 2 \cdot 3^{\alpha-1} - 1\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{3}.$$

Dou [5] established an infinite family of congruences modulo 11 for  $B_{3,11}(n)$  by using relations between certain cubic theta functions. Xia and Yao [16] proved some infinite families of congruences modulo 3, 5 and 7 for  $B_{3,s}(n)$ ,  $B_{5,s}(n)$  and  $B_{3,7}(n)$ , respectively. Soon after, Wang [14] established several congruences modulo powers of 5 for  $B_{5,5}(n)$ . Very recently, Adiga et al. [1, 2] discovered several infinite families of congruences modulo  $s$  for  $B_{s,t}(n)$  where  $(s, t) \in \{(3, 7), (7, 2), (7, 5^\beta), (11, 3^\beta), (11, 5^\beta)\}$  for large values of  $\beta$ . For example, they proved the following theorems:

**Theorem 1.1.** *For all integers  $n, \beta, \alpha \geq 0$  with  $\beta \geq 16(\alpha + 1)$ , we have*

$$B_{7,5^\beta}\left(5^{16\alpha+15}(5n+j) + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{16\alpha+14} - 1}{24}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7},$$

where  $j \in \{0, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

**Theorem 1.2.** *For all integers  $n, \beta, \alpha \geq 0$  with  $\beta \geq 22\alpha + 17$ , we have*

$$B_{11,5^\beta}\left(5^{22\alpha+17}n + 3 \cdot \frac{5^{22\alpha+16} - 1}{8}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{11}.$$

In this paper, we find numerous congruences modulo  $s$  for  $B_{s,t}(n)$ , where  $(s, t) \in \{(7, 5), (7, 25), (7, 125), (11, 5)\}$ . The main results of this paper can be stated as follows:

**Theorem 1.3.** *For all integers  $n, \alpha \geq 0$ , we have*

$$(3) \quad B_{7,5}\left(5^{4\alpha+2}n + \frac{13 \cdot 5^{4\alpha+1} - 5}{12}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7},$$

$$(4) \quad B_{7,5}\left(5^{4\alpha+2}n + \frac{37 \cdot 5^{4\alpha+1} - 5}{12}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7},$$

$$(5) \quad B_{7,5}\left(5^{4\alpha+2} \cdot 7n + \frac{301 \cdot 5^{4\alpha+1} - 5}{12}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7},$$

$$(6) \quad B_{7,5}\left(5^{4\alpha+2} \cdot 7n + \frac{77 \cdot 5^{4\alpha+2} - 5}{12}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7},$$

$$(7) \quad B_{7,5}\left(5^{4\alpha+2} \cdot 7n + \frac{469 \cdot 5^{4\alpha+1} - 5}{12}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7},$$

$$(8) \quad B_{7,5}\left(5^{4\alpha+4}n + \frac{5^{4\alpha+3} - 5}{12}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$$

and

$$(9) \quad B_{7,5}\left(5^{4\alpha+4}n + \frac{49 \cdot 5^{4\alpha+3} - 5}{12}\right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

**Theorem 1.4.** For all integers  $n \geq 0$  and  $\alpha \geq 0$ , we have

$$(10) \quad B_{7,25} \left( 5^{4\alpha+5} n + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{4\alpha+4} - 1}{4} \right) \equiv g(4\alpha + 2) B_{7,25}(5n) \pmod{7},$$

where

$$(11) \quad g(\alpha) = \left( \frac{7\sqrt{13}}{26} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^\alpha + \left( \frac{-7\sqrt{13}}{26} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{-\sqrt{13}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right)^\alpha.$$

**Theorem 1.5.** Let  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_r \geq 5$  be distinct primes with  $p_i \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r$ . Then for all integers  $\beta_i, n, r \geq 0$  and for  $p_r \nmid n$ , we have

$$B_{7,25} \left( 5np_r^{2\beta_r+1} \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} p_i^{2\beta_i+2} + 5 \cdot \frac{\prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{2\beta_i+2} - 1}{4} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

**Theorem 1.6.** For all integers  $n, \alpha \geq 0$ ,  $x \in \{13, 37\}$ ,  $y \in \{301, 385, 469\}$  and  $z \in \{1, 49\}$ , we have

(12)

$$B_{7,125} \left( 5^{4\alpha+6} n + \frac{x \cdot 5^{4\alpha+5} - 65}{12} \right) \equiv B_{7,5} \left( 5^{4\alpha+4} n + \frac{x \cdot 5^{4\alpha+3} - 5}{12} \right) \pmod{7},$$

(13)

$$B_{7,125} \left( 5^{4\alpha+6} \cdot 7n + \frac{y \cdot 5^{4\alpha+5} - 65}{12} \right) \equiv B_{7,5} \left( 5^{4\alpha+4} \cdot 7n + \frac{y \cdot 5^{4\alpha+3} - 5}{12} \right) \pmod{7}$$

and

(14)

$$B_{7,125} \left( 5^{4\alpha+8} n + \frac{z \cdot 5^{4\alpha+7} - 65}{12} \right) \equiv B_{7,5} \left( 5^{4\alpha+6} n + \frac{z \cdot 5^{4\alpha+5} - 5}{12} \right) \pmod{7}.$$

**Theorem 1.7.** For all integers  $n, \alpha \geq 0$  and  $(r, t) \in \{(43, 3), (67, 5)\}$ , we have

$$(15) \quad B_{11,5} \left( 5^{2\alpha+1} n + \frac{r \cdot 5^{2\alpha} - 7}{12} \right) \equiv h(\alpha) B_{11,5}(5n + t) \pmod{11},$$

where

$$(16) \quad h(\alpha) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{21}}{14} + \frac{1}{2} \right) (6 - \sqrt{21})^\alpha + \left( \frac{-\sqrt{21}}{14} + \frac{1}{2} \right) (6 + \sqrt{21})^\alpha.$$

**Theorem 1.8.** For all integers  $n, \alpha, \beta \geq 0$  and  $j \in \{43, 67\}$ , we have

(17)

$$B_{11,5} \left( 5^{12\beta+2\alpha+1} n + \frac{j \cdot 5^{12\beta+2\alpha} - 7}{12} \right) \equiv h(\alpha) B_{11,5} \left( 5^{12\beta+1} n + \frac{j \cdot 5^{12\beta} - 7}{12} \right) \pmod{11},$$

where  $h(\alpha)$  is as defined in (16).

From Theorems 1.4, 1.7 and using the fact that  $B_{11,5}(58) \equiv B_{11,5}(95) \equiv 0 \pmod{11}$ ,  $B_{7,25}(25) \equiv B_{7,25}(35) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$ , we can obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 1.9.** For all integer  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $(\beta, \delta) \in \{(11, 43), (18, 67)\}$ , we have

$$B_{11,5} \left( 5^{2\alpha+1} \cdot \beta + \frac{\delta \cdot 5^{2\alpha} - 7}{12} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{11},$$

$$B_{7,25} \left( 5^{4\alpha+6} + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{4\alpha+4} - 1}{4} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$$

and

$$B_{7,25} \left( 5^{4\alpha+5} \cdot 7 + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{4\alpha+4} - 1}{4} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

2. PRELIMINARIES

The following 5-dissection formula for  $(q; q)_\infty$  was first stated by Ramanujan [8, p. 212] without proof.

**Lemma 2.1.** ([8, p. 212]). *We have*

$$(18) \quad (q; q)_\infty = (q^{25}; q^{25})_\infty \left( \frac{1}{R(q^5)} - q - q^2 R(q^5) \right)$$

$$\text{where } R(q) = \frac{(q; q^5)_\infty (q^4; q^5)_\infty}{(q^2; q^5)_\infty (q^3; q^5)_\infty}.$$

Watson [12] presented a proof of (18) using the quintuple product identity.

**Lemma 2.2.** ([4, p. 165, eq. (7.4.14)]). *We have*

$$(19) \quad \frac{1}{(q; q)_\infty} = \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_\infty}{(q^5; q^5)_\infty^6} \left( \frac{1}{R^4(q^5)} + \frac{q}{R^3(q^5)} + \frac{2q^2}{R^2(q^5)} + \frac{3q^3}{R(q^5)} + 5q^4 \right. \\ \left. - 3q^5 R(q^5) + 2q^6 R^2(q^5) - q^7 R^3(q^5) + q^8 R^4(q^5) \right).$$

**Lemma 2.3.** ([13]). *We have*

$$(20) \quad \frac{1}{R^5(q)} - 11q - q^2 R^5(q) = \frac{(q; q)_\infty^6}{(q^5; q^5)_\infty^6},$$

where  $R(q)$  is as defined in Lemma 18.

The following lemmas will be important in our proofs.

**Lemma 2.4.** *If  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty c(n)q^n = (q; q)_\infty^7$ , then*

$$\sum_{n=0}^\infty c(5n+2)q^n = 14(q; q)_\infty^6 (q^5; q^5)_\infty + 125q(q^5; q^5)_\infty^7.$$

*Proof.* From (18), we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^\infty c(n)q^n = (q^{25}; q^{25})_\infty^7 \left( \frac{1}{R^7(q^5)} - \frac{7q}{R^6(q^5)} + \frac{14q^2}{R^5(q^5)} + \frac{7q^3}{R^4(q^5)} - \frac{49q^4}{R^3(q^5)} + \frac{14q^5}{R^2(q^5)} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{77q^6}{R(q^5)} - 29q^7 - 77q^8 R(q^5) + 14q^9 R^2(q^5) + 49q^{10} R^3(q^5) + 7q^{11} R^4(q^5) \right. \\ \left. - 14q^{12} R^5(q^5) - 7q^{13} R^6(q^5) - q^{14} R^7(q^5) \right).$$

Extracting the terms involving  $q^{5n+2}$  in the above identity, dividing by  $q^2$  and then replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$ , we obtain

$$(21) \quad \sum_{n=0}^\infty c(5n+2)q^n = (q^{25}; q^{25})_\infty^7 \left( \frac{14}{R^5(q)} - 29q - 14q^2 R^5(q) \right) \\ = (q^{25}; q^{25})_\infty^7 \left( 14 \left( \frac{1}{R^5(q)} - 11q - q^2 R^5(q) \right) + 125q \right).$$

Employing (20) in (21), we obtain (2.4). □

In [2], Adiga, Bayad and the present author employed (18) and (20) to prove the following lemmas:

**Lemma 2.5.** *If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(n)q^n = (q; q)_{\infty}^9$ , then*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(5n+4)q^n = -90(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^3 (q; q)_{\infty}^6 - 625q(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^9.$$

**Lemma 2.6.** *If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b(n)q^n = (q; q)_{\infty}^6$ , then*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b(5n+1)q^n = -6(q; q)_{\infty}^6 - 25q(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6.$$

**Lemma 2.7.** *If  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d(n)q^n = (q; q)_{\infty}^5$ , then*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d(5n)q^n = \frac{(q; q)_{\infty}^6}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}}.$$

### 3. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.3

In order to prove Theorem 1.3, we first prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** *For all integers  $n \geq 0$  and  $\alpha \geq 0$ , we have*

$$(22) \quad B_{7,5} \left( 5^{4\alpha} n + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{4\alpha} - 1}{12} \right) \equiv 5^{\alpha} B_{7,5}(n) \pmod{7}.$$

*Proof.* Setting  $k = 7$ ,  $s = 5$  in (2) and then employing (1) with  $p = 7$ , we deduce

$$(23) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(n)q^n = \frac{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty} (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}}{(q; q)_{\infty}^2} \equiv (q; q)_{\infty}^5 (q^5; q^5)_{\infty} \pmod{7}.$$

Extracting the terms of the form  $q^{5n}$  in (23), replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$  and then substituting the Lemma 2.7, we obtain

$$(24) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(5n)q^n \equiv (q; q)_{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d(5n)q^n \equiv \frac{(q; q)_{\infty}^7}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}} \pmod{7}.$$

In view of (1) with  $p = 7$  and (24), we have

$$(25) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(5n)q^n \equiv \frac{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}} \pmod{7}.$$

Using (18), we can rewrite (25) as

$$(26) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(5n)q^n \equiv \frac{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}} = \frac{(q^{175}; q^{175})_{\infty}}{R(q^{35})(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}} + 6 \frac{q^7 (q^{175}; q^{175})_{\infty}}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}} + 6 \frac{q^{14} R(q^{35})(q^{175}; q^{175})_{\infty}}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}} \pmod{7}.$$

Extracting the terms involving  $q^n$  for  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$  in (26), dividing by  $q^2$  and then replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$ , we deduce

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(25n + 10)q^n \equiv 6q \frac{(q^{35}; q^{35})_{\infty}}{(q; q)_{\infty}} \pmod{7}.$$

Substituting (19) in the above congruence and then extracting those terms whose power of  $q$  is a multiple of 5, replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$ , we obtain

$$(27) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(125n + 10)q^n \equiv 2q \frac{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty} (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^5}{(q; q)_{\infty}^6} \pmod{7}.$$

By (18), (27) and (1) with  $p = 7$ , we have

$$(28) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(125n + 10)q^n \equiv \frac{2q(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty} (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^5}{R(q^5)} + 5q^2(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty} (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^5 + 5q^3 R(q^5) (q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty} (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^5 \pmod{7}.$$

Extracting those terms whose power of  $q$  is congruent to 2 modulo 5, dividing by  $q^2$  and then replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$ , we find that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(625n + 260)q^n \equiv 5(q; q)_{\infty}^5 (q^5; q^5)_{\infty} \equiv 5 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(n)q^n \pmod{7},$$

which gives that

$$B_{7,5}(625n + 260) \equiv 5B_{7,5}(n) \pmod{7}.$$

Congruence (22) follows from above congruence and by induction on  $\alpha \geq 0$ . This completes the proof of Lemma 3.1.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.3.** Equating the coefficients of  $q^{5n+1}$  and  $q^{5n+3}$  in (26), we obtain

$$(29) \quad B_{7,5}(25n + 5) \equiv 0 \pmod{7},$$

$$(30) \quad B_{7,5}(25n + 15) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

If  $p(n)$  denote the number of partitions of  $n$ , then Ramanujan [9] proved that, for all integers  $n \geq 0$

$$(31) \quad p(7n + 5) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

By (26), we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(25n)q^n \equiv \frac{(q^{35}; q^{35})_{\infty}}{R(q^7)(q; q)_{\infty}} = \frac{(q^{35}; q^{35})_{\infty}}{R(q^7)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p(n)q^n \pmod{7}.$$

Equating the coefficients of  $q^{7n+5}$  in the above congruence, we see that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(175n + 125)q^n \equiv \frac{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}}{R(q)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p(7n + 5)q^n \pmod{7},$$

From (31), we find that

$$(32) \quad B_{7,5}(175n + 125) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

In a similar way, from (26) and (31), we obtain

$$(33) \quad B_{7,5}(175n + 160) \equiv 0 \pmod{7},$$

$$(34) \quad B_{7,5}(175n + 195) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

Equating the coefficients of  $q^{5n}$  and  $q^{5n+4}$  in (28), we see that

$$(35) \quad B_{7,5}(625n + 10) \equiv 0 \pmod{7},$$

$$(36) \quad B_{7,5}(625n + 510) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

The congruences (3)-(9) follows from (29), (30), (32)-(36) and the Lemma 3.1. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.3.

#### 4. PROOFS OF THEOREMS 1.4 AND 1.5

In this section, we present proofs of Theorems 1.4 and 1.5. We first prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.1.** *For all integers  $n \geq 0$  and  $\alpha \geq 0$ , we have*

$$(37) \quad B_{7,25}\left(5^{\alpha+3}n + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{\alpha+2} - 1}{4}\right) \equiv h(\alpha)B_{7,25}(25n + 5) + g(\alpha)B_{7,25}(5n) \pmod{7},$$

where  $g(\alpha)$  is as defined in (11) and  $h(\alpha)$  is defined by

$$h(\alpha) = \left(\frac{3\sqrt{13}}{26} + \frac{3}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{13}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right)^\alpha + \left(\frac{-3\sqrt{13}}{26} + \frac{3}{2}\right)\left(\frac{-\sqrt{13}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right)^\alpha.$$

*Proof.* From (2) and (1) with  $p = 7$ , we have

$$(38) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,25}(n)q^n = \frac{(q^7; q^7)_{\infty}(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}}{(q; q)_{\infty}^2} \equiv (q; q)_{\infty}^5 (q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty} \pmod{7}.$$

Extracting the terms involving  $q^{5n}$  in (38), replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$  and then substituting the Lemma 2.7, we obtain

$$(39) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,25}(5n)q^n \equiv (q; q)_{\infty}^6 \pmod{7}.$$

By (39) and Lemma 2.6, we deduce

$$(40) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,25}(25n + 5)q^n \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b(5n + 1)q^n \\ \equiv (q; q)_{\infty}^6 + 3q(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^6 \pmod{7}.$$

In view of (39) and (40), we see that

$$(41) \quad B_{7,25}(125n + 30) \equiv B_{7,25}(25n + 5) + 3B_{7,25}(5n) \pmod{7},$$

which is same as (37) with  $\alpha = 0$ . Suppose (37) holds for  $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ . Thus

$$(42) \quad B_{7,25}\left(5^{k+3}n + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{k+2} - 1}{4}\right) \equiv h(k)B_{7,25}(25n + 5) + g(k)B_{7,25}(5n) \pmod{7}$$

and

(43)

$$B_{7,25}\left(5^{k+2}n + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{k+1} - 1}{4}\right) \equiv h(k-1)B_{7,25}(25n+5) + g(k-1)B_{7,25}(5n) \pmod{7}.$$

It is a routine to verify that  $h(k)$  and  $g(k)$  satisfies the following recurrence relations:

$$(44) \quad h(k+1) = h(k) + 3h(k-1)$$

and

$$(45) \quad g(k+1) = g(k) + 3g(k-1).$$

Replacing  $n$  by  $5^{k+1}n + \frac{5^{k+1}-1}{4}$  in (41) and then invoking (42)-(45), we see that

$$\begin{aligned} & B_{7,25}\left(5^{k+4}n + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{k+3} - 1}{4}\right) \\ & \equiv B_{7,25}\left(5^{k+3}n + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{k+2} - 1}{4}\right) + 3B_{7,25}\left(5^{k+2}n + 5 \cdot \frac{5^{k+1} - 1}{4}\right) \\ & \equiv h(k)B_{7,25}(25n+5) + g(k)B_{7,25}(5n) + 3\left(h(k-1)B_{7,25}(25n+5) + g(k-1)B_{7,25}(5n)\right) \\ & \equiv (h(k) + 3h(k-1))B_{7,25}(25n+5) + (g(k) + 3g(k-1))B_{7,25}(5n) \\ & = h(k+1)B_{7,25}(25n+5) + g(k+1)B_{7,25}(5n) \pmod{7}. \end{aligned}$$

That is, (37) holds for  $\alpha = k+1$ . This completes the proof of Lemma 37.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.2.** *For all integer  $\alpha \geq 0$ , we have*

$$(46) \quad h(4\alpha + 2) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

*Proof.* The congruence (46) holds trivially for  $\alpha = 0$ . Suppose that (46) is true for some  $\alpha = k \geq 1$ , i.e.,

$$(47) \quad h(4k + 2) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

In view of (44), we have

$$\begin{aligned} h(4k+6) &= h(4k+5) + 3h(4k+4) \\ &= 4h(4k+4) + 3h(4k+3) \\ &= 7h(4k+3) + 15h(4k+2). \end{aligned}$$

By (47), we see that

$$h(4k+6) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

Hence the proof.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.4.** Replacing  $\alpha$  by  $4\alpha + 2$  in (37) and then using (46), we obtain the congruence (10). This completes the proof of Theorem 1.4.

**Proof of Theorem 1.5.** From [4, Theorem 1.3.9], we recall the Jacobi's identity,

$$(48) \quad (q; q)_{\infty}^3 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (2n+1) q^{n(n+1)/2}.$$



From (39) and (48), we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,25}(5n)q^{8n+2} \equiv \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m (2m+1)(2k+1)q^{(2m+1)^2+(2k+1)^2} \pmod{7}.$$

Note that if  $8n+2 \neq (2k+1)^2+(2m+1)^2$  for  $n, k, m \geq 0$ , then  $B_{7,25}(5n) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$ . Let  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_r \geq 5$  be distinct primes with  $p_i \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r$ . Let  $v_{p_i}(N)$  denote the power of prime  $p_i$  in the unique prime factorisation of  $N$ . If  $N = x^2 + y^2$ , then  $v_{p_i}(N)$  must be even because  $p_i \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ . Hence, if  $p_r \nmid n$ , then

$$v_{p_r} \left( 8 \left( np_r^{2\beta_r+1} \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} p_i^{2\beta_i+2} + \frac{\prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{2\beta_i+2} - 1}{4} \right) + 2 \right) = 2\beta_r + 1,$$

and so, for  $p_r \nmid n$ , we have

$$B_{7,25} \left( 5np_r^{2\beta_r+1} \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} p_i^{2\beta_i+2} + 5 \frac{\prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{2\beta_i+2} - 1}{4} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.5.

### 5. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.6

Before proving the Theorem 1.6, we first prove the following theorem concerning  $B_{7,5}(n)$  and  $B_{7,125}(n)$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** *For all integer  $n \geq 0$ , we have*

$$(49) \quad B_{7,125}(175n + 155) \equiv B_{7,5}(7n + 6) \pmod{7},$$

$$(50) \quad B_{7,125}(625n + 5) \equiv B_{7,5}(25n) \pmod{7},$$

$$(51) \quad B_{7,125}(625n + 130) \equiv B_{7,5}(25n + 20) \pmod{7}$$

and

$$(52) \quad B_{7,125}(625n + 255) \equiv B_{7,5}(25n + 10) + 4B_{7,5}(n) \pmod{7}.$$

*Proof.* By (2), (1) with  $p = 7$  and the Lemma 2.7, we obtain

$$(53) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,125}(5n)q^n \equiv \frac{(q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty} (q; q)_{\infty}^6}{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}} \pmod{7}.$$

In view of Lemma 2.6, (23), (53) and (1), we see that

$$(54) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,125}(25n + 5)q^n &\equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(n)q^n + 2q \frac{(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^7}{(q; q)_{\infty}} \\ &\equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(n)q^n + 2(q^{35}; q^{35})_{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p(n)q^{n+1} \pmod{7}. \end{aligned}$$

Extracting those terms whose power of  $q$  is congruent to 6 modulo 7 in (54), we find that

$$(55) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,125}(175n + 155)q^n \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(7n + 6)q^n + 2(q^5; q^5)_{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p(7n + 5)q^n \pmod{7}.$$

Congruence (49) follows from (31) and (55).

Applying (19) into (54), we deduce

$$(56) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,125}(125n+5)q^n \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(5n)q^n + 3q(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^5 (q; q)_{\infty} \pmod{7}.$$

Employing (18) into (56), equating the coefficients of  $q^{5n}$  and  $q^{5n+4}$ , we arrive to (50) and (51), respectively. From (18) and (56), we have

$$(57) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,125}(625n+255)q^n \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{7,5}(25n+10)q^n + 4(q; q)_{\infty}^5 (q^5; q^5)_{\infty} \pmod{7}.$$

Congruence (52) follows from (57) and (23). This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.6.** Replacing  $n$  by  $5^{4\alpha+2}n + \frac{x \cdot 5^{4\alpha+1} - 5}{12}$  where  $x \in \{13, 37\}$  in (52) and then employing (29) and (30), we arrive at (12). In a similar way, (13) follows from (52), (32)-(34) and (14) follows from (52), (35), (36). Hence the proof.

## 6. PROOFS OF THEOREMS 1.7 AND 1.8

In this section, we present proofs of Theorems 1.7 and 1.8. We first prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 6.1.** *Let  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C(n)q^n = (q; q)_{\infty}^3 (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^7$ . Then for all integers  $n \geq 0$  and  $\alpha \geq 0$ , we have*

$$(58) \quad B_{11,5} \left( 5^{2\alpha}n + \frac{19 \cdot 5^{2\alpha} - 7}{12} \right) \equiv h(\alpha)B_{11,5}(n+1) + \frac{h(\alpha+1) - 3h(\alpha)}{4}C(n) \pmod{11},$$

where  $h(\alpha)$  is as defined in (16).

*Proof.* Setting  $k = 11$  and  $s = 5$  in (2) and then employing (1) with  $p = 11$ , we see that

$$(59) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{11,5}(n)q^n = \frac{(q^{11}; q^{11})_{\infty} (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}}{(q; q)_{\infty}^2} \equiv (q; q)_{\infty}^9 (q^5; q^5)_{\infty} \pmod{11}.$$

Extracting the terms of the form  $q^{5n+4}$  in (59), dividing by  $q^4$ , replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$  and then substituting the Lemma 2.5, we obtain

$$(60) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{11,5}(5n+4)q^n &\equiv (q; q)_{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a(5n+4)q^n \\ &\equiv 9(q; q)_{\infty}^7 (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^3 + 2q(q; q)_{\infty} (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^9 \pmod{11}. \end{aligned}$$

In view of (18), we can rewrite (60) as

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{11,5}(5n+4)q^n \\ &\equiv 9(q; q)_{\infty}^7 (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^3 + (q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty} (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^9 \left( \frac{2q}{R(q^5)} + 9q^2 + 9q^3 R(q^5) \right) \pmod{11}, \end{aligned}$$

which yields

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{11,5}(25n+14)q^n &\equiv 9(q; q)_{\infty}^3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c(5n+2)q^n + 9(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}(q; q)_{\infty}^9 \\ &\equiv 3(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}(q; q)_{\infty}^9 + 3q(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^7(q; q)_{\infty}^3 \pmod{11}. \end{aligned}$$

From (59) and the above congruence, we obtain

$$(61) \quad B_{11,5}(25n+39) \equiv 3B_{11,5}(n+1) + 3C(n) \pmod{11},$$

where  $C(n)$  is defined by

$$(62) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C(n)q^n = (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^7(q; q)_{\infty}^3.$$

Employing (18) in (62), we find that

$$(63) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C(n)q^n &= (q^{25}; q^{25})_{\infty}^3 (q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^7 \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{1}{R^3(q^5)} - \frac{3q}{R^2(q^5)} + 5q^3 - 3q^5 R^2(q^5) - q^6 R^3(q^5) \right), \end{aligned}$$

which yields

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C(5n+3)q^n = 5(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^3(q; q)_{\infty}^7.$$

Extracting the terms involving  $q^{5n+2}$ , dividing by  $q^2$ , replacing  $q^5$  by  $q$  and then using the Lemma 2.4, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C(5n+3)q^n &= 5(q; q)_{\infty}^3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c(5n+2)q^n \\ &\equiv 4(q; q)_{\infty}^9 (q^5; q^5)_{\infty} + 9q(q^5; q^5)_{\infty}^3 (q; q)_{\infty}^7 \pmod{11}. \end{aligned}$$

In view of (59), (67) and then above congruence, we deduce

$$(64) \quad C(25n+38) \equiv 4B_{11,5}(n+1) + 9C(n) \pmod{11}.$$

Now, we will prove (58) by induction on  $\alpha \geq 0$ . It is trivial to verify that (58) is true for  $\alpha = 0$ . Suppose (58) holds for some  $\alpha \geq 1$ . It is easy to check that  $h(\alpha)$  satisfies the following relation:

$$(65) \quad h(\alpha+1) = 12h(\alpha+1) - 15h(\alpha).$$

Replacing  $n$  by  $25n+38$  in (58), employing (64), (65) and (61) in the resulting congruence, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& B_{11,5} \left( 5^{2\alpha+2}n + \frac{19 \cdot 5^{2\alpha+2} - 7}{12} \right) \\
& \equiv h(\alpha)B_{11,5}(28n+39) + \frac{h(\alpha+1) - 3h(\alpha)}{4}C(25n+38) \\
& \equiv h(\alpha) \left( 3B_{11,5}(n+1) + 3C(n) \right) + \frac{h(\alpha+1) - 3h(\alpha)}{4} \left( 4B_{11,5}(n+1) + 9C(n) \right) \\
& = (h(\alpha+1))B_{11,5}(n+1) + \frac{9h(\alpha+1) - 15h(\alpha)}{4}C(n) \\
& = h(\alpha+1)B_{11,5}(n+1) + \frac{h(\alpha+2) - 3h(\alpha+1)}{4}C(n) \pmod{11}.
\end{aligned}$$

That is, (58) holds for  $\alpha+1$ . Hence the proof.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.7.** Equating the coefficients of  $q^{5n+2}$  and  $q^{5n+4}$  in (63), we obtain

$$(66) \quad C(5n+2) = 0 \text{ and } C(5n+4) = 0.$$

Congruence (15) follows from (58) and (66). This completes the proof of Theorem 1.7.

**Proof of Theorem 1.8.** In view of (61), (64) and by induction on  $\beta \geq 0$ , we can prove the following congruence relation:

$$(67) \quad C \left( 5^{2\beta}n + \frac{19 \cdot 5^{2\beta} - 19}{12} \right) \equiv d(\beta)B_{11,5}(n+1) + \frac{d(\beta+1) - 3d(\beta)}{4}C(n) \pmod{11},$$

where  $d(\beta)$  is defined by

$$d(\beta) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{21}} \left( \left( 6 + \sqrt{21} \right)^\beta - \left( 6 - \sqrt{21} \right)^\beta \right).$$

It is trivial to check that

$$(68) \quad d(\beta+1) = 12d(\beta) - 15d(\beta-1).$$

Utilizing (68), we can prove the following congruence by induction on  $\beta \geq 0$

$$(69) \quad d(6\beta) \equiv 0 \pmod{11}.$$

First, replacing  $\beta$  by  $6\beta$  in (67), using (69) and then replacing  $n$  by  $5n+2$  and  $5n+4$ , respectively, we obtain

$$(70) \quad C \left( 5^{12\beta+1}n + \frac{j \cdot 5^{12\beta} - 19}{12} \right) \equiv 0 \pmod{11},$$

where  $j \in \{43, 67\}$ . Congruence (17) follows from (58) and (70). This completes the proof of Theorem 1.8.

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