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We study the Dirichlet polynomial $P_G(s)$ of the groups $G = \text{PSL}(2, q)$, ${}^2B_2(q)$, and ${}^2G_2(q)$. For such G we show that if H is a group satisfying $P_H(s) = P_G(s)$, then $H/\text{Frat}(H) \cong G$. We also prove that, when q is not a prime number, $P_G(s)$ is irreducible in the ring of Dirichlet polynomials. Finally, we prove that the coset poset of G is noncontractible.

1. Introduction

Let G be a finite group. We define the Dirichlet polynomial associated to G by

$$P_G(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n(G)}{n^s}, \quad \text{where } a_n(G) = \sum_{\substack{H \leq G \\ |G:\bar{H}|=n}} \mu_G(H).$$

Here $\mu_G : \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is the Möbius function on the subgroup lattice \mathcal{L} of G , defined inductively by $\mu_G(G) = 1$, $\mu_G(H) = -\sum_{K>H} \mu_G(K)$. In [Hall 1936], it was observed that for any $t \in \mathbb{N}$, the number $P_G(t)$ is the probability that t randomly chosen elements of G generate the group G . The multiplicative inverse $1/P_G(s)$ is called the probabilistic zeta function of G [Boston 1996; Mann 1996].

More generally, let $k \geq 1$ and let p_1, \dots, p_k be prime numbers. We define the Dirichlet polynomial $P_G^{(p_1, \dots, p_k)}(s)$ by

$$P_G^{(p_1, \dots, p_k)}(s) = \sum_{\substack{(n, p_i)=1 \\ \forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\}}} \frac{a_n(G)}{n^s}.$$

A problem that arises naturally is to determine which properties of the group G are encoded by the polynomial $P_G(s)$. It is known that $P_{G/\text{Frat}(G)}(s) = P_G(s)$ (see Lemma 5), so from the Dirichlet polynomial of G we can only hope to read off properties of $G/\text{Frat}(G)$. Further, it was noted in [Gaschütz 1959] that $P_G(s)$ does not uniquely determine the isomorphism class of $G/\text{Frat}(G)$.

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Nevertheless, certain group theoretic properties are given by the Dirichlet polynomial. For instance, If G and H are groups such that $P_G(s) = P_H(s)$ and G is soluble (or p -soluble, or perfect), then H has the same property [Damian and Lucchini 2003; Detomi and Lucchini 2003b]. If G is simple and $P_G(s) = P_H(s)$, then $H/\text{Frat}(H)$ is simple [Damian and Lucchini 2007].

Conjecture [Damian et al. 2004]. *If G is simple and $P_G(s) = P_H(s)$, then G is isomorphic to $H/\text{Frat}(H)$.*

This conjecture remains open, but partial results are known. The conjecture holds when G is isomorphic to a simple alternating group [Damian and Lucchini 2004; Damian et al. 2004], to a simple sporadic group [Damian and Lucchini 2006] or to $\text{PSL}(2, p)$ for p prime [Damian et al. 2004]. Similarly:

Theorem 1 [Damian and Lucchini 2006, Theorem 14]. *If G_1 and G_2 are simple groups of Lie type with the same characteristic, then $P_{G_1}(s) = P_{G_2}(s)$ if and only if G_1 is isomorphic to G_2 .*

In this paper we prove the conjecture when G is one of the following groups of Lie type: $\text{PSL}(2, q)$, the Suzuki groups ${}^2B_2(q)$ and the Ree groups ${}^2G_2(q)$. More precisely:

Main Theorem. *Suppose G is of the form*

$$(1-1) \quad \begin{cases} G(q, 1) := \text{PSL}(2, q) & \text{with } q = p^f \geq 4, \text{ } p \text{ prime, } f > 0, \text{ or} \\ G(q, 2) := {}^2B_2(q) & \text{with } q = 2^f, \text{ } f > 1 \text{ odd,} & \text{or} \\ G(q, 3) := {}^2G_2(q) & \text{with } q = 3^f, \text{ } f > 1 \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$$

If H is a group and $P_G(s) = P_H(s)$, then

$$H/\text{Frat}(H) \cong G.$$

For $G = \text{PSL}(2, q)$, with $q \leq 9$, this can be proved directly.

We outline the proof in the complementary case; see Sections 3 and 4 for details. In view of Theorem 1, we need only show that the characteristic p of G can be recovered from the Dirichlet polynomial $P_G(s)$. To do this, we recall from [Damian and Lucchini 2006, Theorem 3] that if L is a group of Lie type of characteristic p and $X \in \text{Syl}_p(L)$, then $|P_L^{(p)}(0)| = |X|$. In particular, $P_G^{(p)}(s)$ is a power of p . We show that if t is a prime number different from p , then $P_G^{(t)}(s)$ is not a power of t . Indeed, if t does not divide the order of G , then $P_G^{(t)}(0) = P_G(0) = 0$. Also, if t divides $|G|$, then Propositions 8 and 12 show that $P_G^{(t)}(0)$ is not a power of t . We can now obtain the characteristic of G from the polynomial $P_G(s)$ as the unique prime number r such that $P_G^{(r)}(0)$ is a power of r .

The proof does not use explicit formulas for the Dirichlet polynomials of the groups in question. However, using the results in [Downs 1991], we have computed

explicitly the Dirichlet polynomials for $\text{PSL}(2, q)$ (see [Section 7](#)), and this makes it possible to test directly certain properties one might wonder about. For example, we disprove the following conjecture, proposed in [[Damian and Lucchini 2006](#)]:

If G is a finite simple group, then $|G| = \text{lcm}\{n : a_n(G) \neq 0\}$.

A counterexample is provided by $G = \text{PSL}(2, p)$ with $p \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{5}$ and $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$, for which we have $\text{lcm}\{n : a_n(G) \neq 0\} = |G|/2$, according to the list in [Section 7](#).

Further results. We let \mathcal{R} denote the ring of Dirichlet polynomials:

$$\mathcal{R} = \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_m}{m^s} : a_m \in \mathbb{Z}, m \geq 1, |\{m : a_m \neq 0\}| < \infty \right\}.$$

We recall that \mathcal{R} is a factorial domain [[Damian et al. 2004](#)]. Also, if G is a finite group, $P_G(s)$ lies in \mathcal{R} . [Section 5](#) is devoted to the study of the irreducibility of $P_G(s)$ in \mathcal{R} . An important role in the factorization of $P_G(s)$ is played by the normal subgroups of G . In fact, if N is a normal subgroup of G , we define

$$P_{G,N}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n(G, N)}{n^s}, \quad \text{where } a_n(G, N) = \sum_{\substack{|G:H|=n \\ HN=G}} \mu_G(H).$$

Then $P_G(s) = P_{G/N}(s)P_{G,N}(s)$; see [[Brown 2000](#)] or [[Detomi and Lucchini 2003a](#)]. Now, if G is a group and $P_G(s)$ is irreducible in \mathcal{R} , then $G/\text{Frat}(G)$ is simple. But the converse is not true. For example, $P_{\text{PSL}(2,7)}(s)$ is reducible. Moreover, we know from [[Damian et al. 2004](#), Lemma 11, Proposition 14 and 15] that $P_{\text{Alt}_p}(s)$ is irreducible in \mathcal{R} for any prime number $p \geq 5$, and $P_{\text{PSL}(2,p)}(s)$ is reducible in \mathcal{R} if and only if $p \geq 5$ and $p = 2^e - 1$ (a Mersenne prime) with $e \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. (These are the only known examples of finite simple groups whose Dirichlet polynomial is reducible.) We will prove:

Proposition 2. *If G is as in the [Main Theorem](#) and is not isomorphic to $\text{PSL}(2, p)$ for $p = 2^e - 1$, $e \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then $P_G(s)$ is irreducible in \mathcal{R} .*

In [Section 6](#) we study the topological interpretation of the value $P_G(-1)$ proposed in [[Brown 2000](#)]. Given a finite group G , we define the simplicial complex Δ , where the simplices of Δ are finite chains of the coset poset of G . If Δ is contractible, its reduced Euler characteristic $\tilde{\chi}(\Delta) := \chi(\Delta) - 1$ is zero. Brown showed that the number $\tilde{\chi}(\Delta)$ is equal to $-P_G(-1)$. Hence, if $P_G(-1) \neq 0$, the simplicial complex associated to the group G is not contractible. Brown also proved that $P_G(-1)$ is nonzero for a soluble group G and conjectured that $P_G(-1)$ is nonzero for every finite group G . At the time of this writing, there is no known finite group G such that $P_G(-1) = 0$. In [Section 6](#) we prove:

Proposition 3. *If G is as in the [Main Theorem](#), then $P_G(-1) \neq 0$.*

2. Some lemmas

Lemma 4 [[Zsigmondy 1892](#)]. *Let $a, n \geq 2$ be integers, and assume it is not the case that*

$$n = 2, a = 2^s - 1 \text{ with } s \geq 2 \quad \text{or} \quad n = 6, a = 2.$$

*Then there exists a prime divisor q of $a^n - 1$ such that q does not divide $a^i - 1$ for any i satisfying $0 < i < n$. Such a divisor is called a **Zsigmondy prime** for (a, n) .*

We will use repeatedly, often without mention, the following results on the Möbius function of the subgroup lattice of G .

Lemma 5 [[Hall 1936](#)]. *Let G be a finite group and H a subgroup of G . If $\mu_G(H)$ does not vanish, H is an intersection of maximal subgroups of G .*

Lemma 6 [[Hawkes et al. 1989](#), Theorem 4.5]. *Let G be a finite group and H a subgroup of G . The index $|N_G(H) : H|$ divides $\mu_G(H) |G : HG'|$.*

If G is perfect, that is, if $G = G'$, [Lemma 6](#) says that $\mu_G(H) |G : N_G(H)|$ is divisible by $|G : H|$.

Notation. *Throughout the paper, p is a prime number, f is a positive integer, and $q := p^f$ is at least 4.*

3. $P_G^{(t)}(\mathbf{0})$ for the projective linear group $G = \text{PSL}(2, q)$

In this section, assume $G = \text{PSL}(2, q)$ and define $\delta = \gcd(q-1, 2)$.

Theorem 7 [[Huppert 1967](#), p. 213]. *Let $q \geq 5$. If M is a maximal subgroup of $\text{PSL}(2, q)$, then M is isomorphic to one of the following groups:*

- (1) $C_p^f \rtimes C_{(q-1)/\delta}$;
- (2) $D_{2(q-1)/\delta} = N_G(C_{2(q-1)/\delta})$, for $q \notin \{5, 7, 9, 11\}$;
- (3) $D_{2(q+1)/\delta} = N_G(C_{2(q+1)/\delta})$, for $q \notin \{7, 9\}$;
- (4) $\text{PGL}(2, q_0)$, for $q = q_0^2$, $q_0 \neq 2$;
- (5) $\text{PSL}(2, q_0)$, for $q = q_0^r$, $q_0 \neq 2$ where r is an odd prime;
- (6) A_5 , for $p \neq 2$ and $q = p$ or p^2 . If $q = p$, then $q \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{5}$ and if $q = p^2$, then $p \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{5}$;
- (7) A_4 , for $q = p \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{8}$ and $q \not\equiv \pm 1 \pmod{5}$;
- (8) S_4 , for $q = p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}$.

Proposition 8. *Let t be a prime number dividing the order of G . If $t \neq p$, then $|P_G^{(t)}(0)|$ is a power of t if and only if*

$$(q, t) \in \{(4, 5), (5, 2), (7, 2), (8, 3), (9, 2), (9, 5)\}.$$

If $t = p$, then $P_G^{(t)}(0) = -q$.

Proof. If $q \leq 11$ or $q+1$ divides 120, the proposition holds by direct inspection; here are the corresponding values of $P_G^{(t)}(0)$.

q	$t = 2$	3	5	7	11	19	23	29	59
4	-4	6	-5	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	-4	6	-5	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	8	63	0	-7	0	0	0	0	0
8	-8	-27	0	28	0	0	0	0	0
9	16	-9	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	144	-21	165	0	-11	0	0	0	0
19	856	171	500	0	0	-19	0	0	0
23	760	1266	0	0	253	0	-23	0	0
29	3220	204	1625	406	0	0	0	-29	0
59	29088	3423	15400	0	0	0	0	1711	-59

For the rest of the proof, assume $q > 11$ and $q+1 \nmid 120$. Let \mathcal{C} be a set of representatives of the conjugacy classes of subgroups of G . Set

$$(3-1) \quad \mathcal{A}_t = \{K \in \mathcal{C} : (|G : K|, t) = 1, \mu_G(K) \neq 0\}.$$

By definition,

$$P_G^{(t)}(s) = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{A}_t} \frac{\mu_G(K) |G : N_G(K)|}{|G : K|^s}.$$

(1) *First consider the case $t = p$.* Let Q be a Sylow p -subgroup of G . Since $|Q| = q$, [Theorem 7](#) yields that Q is contained in a maximal subgroup M of G isomorphic to $C_p^f \times C_{(q-1)/\delta}$. Therefore, $Q \cong C_p^f$ and $N_G(Q) = M$. Hence Q is contained in a unique maximal subgroup of G . Therefore we have

$$(3-2) \quad P_G^{(p)}(s) = 1 - \frac{q+1}{(q+1)^s},$$

and hence $P_G^{(p)}(0) = -q$.

(2) *Next consider the case where t divides $(q+1)/\delta$.* Let \mathcal{D}_t be the subset of \mathcal{A}_t consisting of G and of the maximal subgroups of G isomorphic to $D_{2(q+1)/\delta}$. Set $\mathcal{B}_t = \mathcal{A}_t - \mathcal{D}_t$. Using the equality $1 - q(q-1)/2 = (q+1)(2-q)/2$, we have

$$P_G^{(t)}(0) = \frac{(q+1)(2-q)}{2} + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{B}_t} \mu_G(K) |G : N_G(K)|.$$

Now let K be in \mathcal{B}_t . By [Theorem 7](#), K is contained in a maximal subgroup M isomorphic to one of $D_{2(q+1)/\delta}$, A_5 , A_4 , S_4 , $\text{PSL}(2, q_0)$, $\text{PGL}(2, q_0)$ for some q_0 .

We claim that if K is the intersection of two distinct maximal subgroups M_1 and M_2 isomorphic to $D_{2(q+1)/\delta}$, then K is contained in a maximal subgroup of G not isomorphic to $D_{2(q+1)/\delta}$. Indeed, for each divisor $d > 2$ of $(q+1)/\delta$, there exists a unique cyclic subgroup C_d of order d in M_1 . Hence C_d is normal, so it is contained in a unique maximal subgroup of G , i.e., M_1 . Thus, by the structure of the subgroup lattice of dihedral groups, either $|M_1 \cap M_2| \leq 2$ or $M_1 \cap M_2$ is a Klein four-group. In the former case, $M_1 \cap M_2$ is not contained in \mathcal{B}_t , since the index of $M_1 \cap M_2$ in G is divisible by $(q+1)/\delta$. In the latter case, the normalizer in G of the Klein four-group $M_1 \cap M_2$ is either A_4 or S_4 [[Huppert 1967](#), 8.16–8.17, Hilfssatz]. Hence $K = M_1 \cap M_2$ is contained in a maximal subgroup of G not isomorphic to $D_{2(q+1)/\delta}$.

Suppose that q is a Mersenne prime greater than or equal to 31. By its definition, \mathcal{B}_t is empty. Therefore $P_G^{(2)}(0)$ equals $(q+1)(2-q)/2$, which is not a power of 2.

Suppose that q is not a Mersenne prime. We claim there exists a prime divisor z of $(q+1)/\delta$, depending on t , such that if K lies in \mathcal{B}_t , then z divides $|G:K|$. Before proving our claim, we conclude the proof of the proposition in the current case (2). By [Lemma 6](#), the prime z divides $P_G^{(t)}(0)$. Hence, if $z \neq t$, then $P_G^{(t)}(0)$ is not a power of t . Further, if $z = t$, then $\mathcal{B}_t = \emptyset$ and so $P_G^{(t)}(0) = (q+1)(2-q)/2$ is not a power of t .

It remains to prove our claim. We consider two subcases.

(a) \mathcal{B}_t contains a maximal subgroup of G isomorphic to A_4 , A_5 or S_4 . Then [Theorem 7](#) implies that f is either 1 or 2, and \mathcal{B}_t does not contain any maximal subgroup isomorphic to $\text{PSL}(2, q_0)$. We define the prime number z as follows:

- if 2^4 divides $q+1$, let $z = 2$;
- otherwise if 3^2 divides $q+1$, let $z = 3$;
- otherwise if 5^2 divides $q+1$, let $z = 5$;
- otherwise let z be a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 2f \rangle$ distinct from 3 and 5.

This is possible. Indeed, if $2^4 \nmid q+1$, $3^2 \nmid q+1$ and $5^2 \nmid q+1$, then $q+1$ divides $2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot m$ for some natural number m . Since we are assuming that $q+1$ does not divide 120, we have $(m, 120) = 1$. So there exists a Zsigmondy prime as required.

We claim that, if $K \in \mathcal{B}_t$, then z divides $|G:K|$. This is clear if K is contained in maximal subgroup isomorphic to A_4 , A_5 or S_4 . Now, suppose that \mathcal{B}_t contains a subgroup M isomorphic to $\text{PGL}(2, p)$, $q = p^2$. In this case, z is greater than 2. Indeed, if $z = 2$, then 2^4 divides $q+1$, so q is not a square, a contradiction. If $z > 2$, then z is a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 2f \rangle$, so z divides $|G:M|$.

(b) \mathcal{B}_t does not contain a maximal subgroup of G isomorphic to A_4 , A_5 or S_4 . Choose z as a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 2f \rangle$. Clearly, z divides $|G:K|$ if $K \in \mathcal{B}_t$.

(3) We now turn to the remaining case, namely, t divides $(q-1)/\delta$. Let \mathcal{D}_t be the subset of \mathcal{A}_t consisting of G and of the maximal subgroups of G isomorphic to $C_p^f \rtimes C_{(p-1)/\delta}$. Set $\mathcal{B}_t = \mathcal{A}_t - \mathcal{D}_t$. We have

$$P_G^{(t)}(0) = 1 - (q+1) + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{B}_t} \mu_G(K) |G : N_G(K)| = -q + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{B}_t} \mu_G(K) |G : N_G(K)|.$$

By [Theorem 7](#), if $K \in \mathcal{B}_t$, then K does not contain a Sylow p -subgroup Q of G . Indeed, Q is contained in a unique maximal subgroup isomorphic to $C_p^f \rtimes C_{(p-1)/\delta}$. Hence, p divides $|G : K|$. By [Lemma 6](#), p divides $P_G^{(t)}(0)$. \square

4. $P_G^{(t)}(0)$ for the Suzuki and Ree groups

In this section f is odd and greater than 1, p is either 2 or 3, and $G = G(q, p)$ in the notation of the [Main Theorem](#); that is, G is either the Suzuki group ${}^2B_2(q)$ or the Ree group ${}^2G_2(q)$. The order of G is $q^p(q^p+1)(q-1)$.

Define $\alpha_q^{(\pm)} = q \pm \sqrt{pq} + 1$. Note that $\gcd(\alpha_q^{(+)}, \alpha_q^{(-)}) = 1$ and $\alpha_q^{(+)}\alpha_q^{(-)} = \Phi_{2p}(q)$, where $\Phi_4(s) = s^2 + 1$ and $\Phi_6(s) = s^2 - s + 1$.

Lemma 9. *Let $p^\beta p_1^{\beta_1} \cdots p_n^{\beta_n}$ be a prime factorization of f , where $p_i > p$, $\beta_i \geq 1$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, and $\beta \geq 0$. We have*

$$\gcd\left(\frac{\Phi_{2p}(q)}{\Phi_{2p}(s_1)}, \dots, \frac{\Phi_{2p}(q)}{\Phi_{2p}(s_n)}, \alpha_q^{(\pm)}\right) > 1,$$

where $s_i^{p_i} = q$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

Proof. Since f is odd, $\beta = 0$ if $p = 2$.

Let $k \leq n$, $1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n$ and $s_{i_1, \dots, i_k} = p^{f/(p_{i_1} \cdots p_{i_k})}$. Note that

$$\gcd(\Phi_{2p}(s_{i_1}), \dots, \Phi_{2p}(s_{i_k})) = \Phi_{2p}(s_{i_1, \dots, i_k})$$

and

$$\Phi_{2p}^{(\pm)}(s_{i_1, \dots, i_k}) = \gcd(\Phi_{2p}(s_{i_1, \dots, i_k}), \alpha_q^{(\pm)}) \in \{\alpha_{s_{i_1, \dots, i_k}}^{(+)}, \alpha_{s_{i_1, \dots, i_k}}^{(-)}\}.$$

Observe also that $\frac{s_{i_1, \dots, i_k}}{p} < \Phi_{2p}^{(\pm)}(s_{i_1, \dots, i_k}) < p s_{i_1, \dots, i_k}$. So we have

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{k=1}^n \left(\prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n} \Phi_{2p}^{(\pm)}(s_{i_1, \dots, i_k}) \right)^{(-1)^{k+1}} &< \prod_{k=1}^n \left(\prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n} p^{(-1)^{k+1}} s_{i_1, \dots, i_k} \right)^{(-1)^{k+1}} \\ &\leq p^{f-1} < \alpha_q^{(\pm)}, \end{aligned}$$

where for the second inequality we use that $p_i - 1 \geq p$ for all i in $\{1, \dots, n\}$. Now the lemma follows from this equality, whose verification is left to the reader:

$$\gcd\left(\frac{\Phi_{2p}(q)}{\Phi_{2p}(s_1)}, \dots, \frac{\Phi_{2p}(q)}{\Phi_{2p}(s_n)}, \alpha_q^{(\pm)}\right) \prod_{k=1}^n \left(\prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq n} \Phi_{2p}^{(\pm)}(s_{i_1, \dots, i_k}) \right)^{(-1)^{k+1}} = \alpha_q^{(\pm)}. \quad \square$$

Theorem 10 [Suzuki 1962]. *Let $p = 2$. Any maximal subgroup of $G = {}^2B_2(q)$ is isomorphic to one of the following groups:*

- (1) $H = Q \rtimes W$, where Q is a Sylow 2-subgroup of G and W is a cyclic group of order $q-1$;
- (2) $B_0 = N_G(W)$, a dihedral group of order $2(q-1)$;
- (3) $B_+ = A_+ \rtimes C_4$, where A_+ is a cyclic group of order $\alpha_q^{(+)} = q + \sqrt{2q} + 1$;
- (4) $B_- = A_- \rtimes C_4$, where A_- is a cyclic group of order $\alpha_q^{(-)} = q - \sqrt{2q} + 1$;
- (5) ${}^2B_2(s)$, where $q = s^r$ for some prime number r .

Theorem 11 [Kleidman 1988]. *Let $p = 3$. Any maximal subgroup of $G = {}^2G_2(q)$ is isomorphic to one of the following groups:*

- (1) $H = Q \rtimes C_{q-1}$, where Q is a Sylow 3-subgroup of G ;
- (2) $B = C_G(i)$, where i is an involution of G . Furthermore, $B \cong \langle i \rangle \times \text{PSL}(2, q)$;
- (3) $B_0 = N_G(\langle i, j \rangle)$, with $\langle i, j \rangle \cong C_2 \times C_2$. Moreover, $B_0 \cong (C_2 \times C_2 \times D_{(q+1)/2}) \rtimes C_3$ has order $6(q+1)$;
- (4) $B_+ = A_+ \rtimes C_6$, where A_+ is a cyclic group of order $\alpha_q^{(+)} = q + \sqrt{3q} + 1$;
- (5) $B_- = A_- \rtimes C_6$, where A_- is a cyclic group of order $\alpha_q^{(-)} = q - \sqrt{3q} + 1$;
- (6) ${}^2G_2(s)$, where $q = s^r$ for some prime number r .

Proposition 12. *Let t be a prime number dividing the order of G . If $t \neq p$, then $|P_G^{(t)}(0)|$ is not a power of t . If $t = p$, then $P_G^{(t)}(0) = -q^p$.*

Proof. Let \mathcal{A}_t be defined as in (3-1). We partition the proof into four cases.

(1) *Assume that $t = p$.* Let Q be a Sylow p -subgroup of G . Since $|Q| = q^p$, Theorems 10 and 11 show that Q is contained in a unique maximal subgroup isomorphic to H . Hence

$$P_G^{(p)}(0) = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{A}_p} \mu_G(K) |G : N_G(K)| = 1 - (1 + q^p) = -q^p.$$

(2) *Assume that $t | q+1$ and $p = 3$.* Let r be a Zsigmondy prime for $(3, f)$. Note that $r \neq t$. Let \mathcal{B}_t be the subset of \mathcal{A}_t consisting of the subgroups K of G such that r divides $|G : K|$.

By Theorem 11, if $K \in \mathcal{A}_t - \mathcal{B}_t$ and $K \neq G$, every maximal subgroup containing K is isomorphic to B . We claim that if $K \in \mathcal{A}_t - \mathcal{B}_t$ and $K \neq G$, then K is a maximal subgroup isomorphic to B . Indeed, assume that K is contained in the intersection of M_1 and M_2 , two distinct maximal subgroups of G isomorphic to B . Since $M_1 \cong \text{PSL}(2, q) \times C_2$, the intersection $M_1 \cap M_2$ is isomorphic to a subgroup L of $\text{PSL}(2, q) \times C_2$. Let $\pi : \text{PSL}(2, q) \times C_2 \rightarrow \text{PSL}(2, q)$ be the projection on the first factor. If $\pi(L) = \text{PSL}(2, q)$, we have $|M_2 : M_1 \cap M_2| = |M_1 : M_1 \cap M_2| =$

$|\text{PSL}(2, q) \times C_2 : L| \leq 2$; hence $M_1 \cap M_2$ is normalized by M_1 and M_2 , a contradiction. If $\pi(L) < \text{PSL}(2, q)$, then there exists a maximal subgroup J of $\text{PSL}(2, q)$ containing $\pi(L)$. By [Theorem 7](#), since $q = 3^f$ and $f \geq 3$ is odd, $|\text{PSL}(2, q) : J|$ is divisible by r or t . Since $|L| \leq 2|J|$, the index $|\text{PSL}(2, q) : J|$ divides $|G : M_1 \cap M_2|$. Hence $|G : M_1 \cap M_2|$ is divisible by r or t , against the assumption $K \in \mathcal{A}_t - \mathcal{B}_t$.

This shows that

$$\begin{aligned} P_G^{(t)}(0) &= 1 - q^2(q^2 - q + 1) + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{B}_t} \mu_G(K) |G : N_G(K)| \\ &\equiv -(q-1)(q^3 + q + 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{r}, \end{aligned}$$

so $P_G^{(t)}(0)$ is not a power of t .

(3) Assume that $t | q-1$ and $t \neq 2$. Let \mathcal{D}_t be the subset of \mathcal{A}_t consisting of G and of the maximal subgroups of G isomorphic to H . Set $\mathcal{B}_t = \mathcal{A}_t - \mathcal{D}_t$. We have

$$P_G^{(t)}(0) = 1 - (q^p + 1) + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{B}_t} \mu_G(K) |G : N_G(K)| = -q^p + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{B}_t} \mu_G(K) |G : N_G(K)|.$$

By [Theorems 10 and 11](#), if $K \in \mathcal{B}_t$, then K does not contain a Sylow p -subgroup Q of G . Indeed, Q is contained in a unique maximal subgroup isomorphic to H . Hence, p divides $|G : K|$. By [Lemma 6](#), we obtain that p divides $P_G^{(t)}(0)$.

(4) Finally, assume that $t | \Phi_{2p}(q)$. Then $t | \alpha_q^{(\pm)}$ (that is, $t | \alpha_q^{(+)}$ or $t | \alpha_q^{(-)}$). Let K be in \mathcal{A}_t . By [Theorems 10 and 11](#), if $K \neq G$, then K is contained in a maximal subgroup isomorphic either to B_{\pm} or to $G(s)$, where $s^r = q$ for some prime number r .

We claim that K is not contained in the intersection of two distinct maximal subgroups M_1 and M_2 isomorphic to B_{\pm} . Indeed, for each divisor $d \neq 1$ of $\alpha_q^{(\pm)}$, there exists a unique subgroup L of M_1 of order d . Hence L is normal in M_1 . Therefore M_1 is the unique maximal subgroup of G containing L . So L is not a subgroup of $M_1 \cap M_2$. Thus, d divides $|G : M_1 \cap M_2|$. Thence $|G : M_1 \cap M_2|$ is divisible by $\alpha_q^{(\pm)}$. Since t divides $\alpha_q^{(\pm)}$ and K lies in \mathcal{A}_t , we obtain the claim.

Let \mathcal{D}_t be the subset of \mathcal{A}_t consisting of G and of the maximal subgroups of G isomorphic to B_{\pm} . Set $\mathcal{B}_t = \mathcal{A}_t - \mathcal{D}_t$. We have

$$P_G^{(t)}(0) = 1 - \frac{q^p \alpha_q^{(\mp)} (q^{p-1} - 1)}{2p} + \sum_{K \in \mathcal{B}_t} \mu_G(K) |G : N_G(K)|.$$

Observe that $\alpha_q^{(\pm)}$ divides $1 - q^p \alpha_q^{(\mp)} (q^{p-1} - 1) / (2p)$. Moreover, for each $K \in \mathcal{B}_t$, there exists a number s (where $s^r = q$ for some prime number r) such that K is contained in a maximal subgroup M isomorphic to $G(s)$. Let \mathcal{S}_t be the subset of the natural numbers consisting of all such s :

$$\mathcal{S}_t = \{s \in \mathbb{N} : s^r = q, r \text{ prime}, \exists K \in \mathcal{B}_t \text{ such that } K \leq G(s)\}.$$

Suppose that $\mathcal{S}_t = \{s_1, \dots, s_k\}$ for some $k \geq 1$. Let $p^\beta p_1^{\beta_1} \dots p_n^{\beta_n}$ be a prime factorization of f , where $p_i > p$, $\beta_i \geq 1$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $\beta \geq 0$. Note that

$$\mathcal{S}_t \subseteq \{s \in \mathbb{N} : s^{p_i} = q, \text{ for some } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}\}.$$

Clearly, if $s \in \mathcal{S}_t$, then $s^u = q$ for some prime u dividing f . Moreover, since f is odd, if $p = 2$, then $u \neq 2$. If $p = 3$, then $s = 3^{f/3}$ does not lie in \mathcal{S}_t . In fact, if $K \leq G(s)$, then $\Phi_6(q)$ divides $|G : K|$ and so $K \notin \mathcal{B}_t$. By [Lemma 9](#), there exists a prime divisor r of

$$\gcd\left(\frac{\Phi_{2p}(q)}{\Phi_{2p}(s_1)}, \dots, \frac{\Phi_{2p}(q)}{\Phi_{2p}(s_k)}, \alpha_q^{(\pm)}\right).$$

Clearly, r and t are distinct, and r divides $\alpha_q^{(\pm)}$ and $|G : K|$ for all $K \in \mathcal{B}_t$. By [Lemma 6](#), we conclude that r divides $P_G^{(t)}(0)$.

Finally, suppose that $\mathcal{S}_t = \emptyset$, i.e., $\mathcal{B}_t = \emptyset$. We leave it to the reader to check that $P_G^{(t)}(0) = 1 - q^p \alpha_q^{(\mp)}(q^{p-1} - 1)/(2p)$ is not a power of t . \square

5. Irreducibility of the Dirichlet polynomial

Lemma 13 [[Damian et al. 2004](#), Lemma 3]. *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $1 - n/n^s$ is reducible in \mathcal{R} if and only if n is a nontrivial power in \mathbb{Z} .*

Lemma 14. *Let $G = \text{PSL}(2, q)$ with $f > 1$. Then $a_{q(q+1)/2}(G) \neq 0$.*

Proof. For $q \leq 25$ the result follows by direct inspection. For the remaining cases, note that every subgroup of G of order $2(q-1)/\delta$ is a maximal subgroup isomorphic to $D_{2(q-1)/\delta}$; see [[Huppert 1967](#), p. 213]. \square

Proposition 15. *Let G be as in the [Main Theorem](#), with $f > 1$. Then $P_G(s)$ is irreducible in the ring of Dirichlet polynomials \mathcal{R} .*

Proof. Let $G = G(q, m)$, with $m \in \{1, 2, 3\}$. The proposition’s validity when $m = 1$ and $q \in \{4, 8, 9\}$ is checked by direct inspection. For the rest of the proof, we exclude these three cases.

Suppose that $P_G(s) = g(s)h(s)$ for some Dirichlet polynomials $g(s)$ and $h(s)$ in \mathcal{R} . From (3-2) and case (1) in the proof of [Proposition 12](#), we obtain

$$P_G^{(p)}(s) = 1 - \frac{p^{fm} + 1}{(p^{fm} + 1)^s}.$$

We claim that $P_G^{(p)}(s)$ is irreducible. We argue by contradiction. By [Lemma 13](#), if $P_G^{(p)}(s)$ is reducible, then $p^{fm} + 1$ is a nontrivial power. Hence $p^{fm} + 1 = b^k$ for some $k \geq 2$ and $b \geq 1$, so there are no Zsigmondy primes for (b, k) . By [Lemma 4](#), (b, k) is either equal to $(2^w - 1, 2)$ for some $w \in \mathbb{N}$ or to $(2, 6)$. If $(b, k) = (2^w - 1, 2)$, then $p = 2$. Hence $fm = 3$, so $(q, m) = (8, 1)$, against assumption. Finally, if

$(b, k) = (2, 6)$, then $p^{fm} + 1 = 2^6$ has no solution. Therefore, without loss of generality, we suppose that $g^{(p)}(s) = 1 - (p^{fm} + 1)/(p^{fm} + 1)^s$ and $h^{(p)}(s) = 1$.

Let t be a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 2fm \rangle$. In particular, for $(m, f) = (1, 2)$,

if 5^2 divides $p^2 + 1$, let $t = 5$;

otherwise, let t be a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 4 \rangle$ different from 5.

To see why this is possible, note that a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 2fm \rangle$ exists since, by assumption, $2fm > 2$ and $fm \neq 3$. If $(m, f) = (1, 2)$, i.e., $(q, m) = (p^2, 1)$, then, by assumption, p is odd. So $p^2 + 1 = 2a$ for some odd number a . Suppose that $5^2 \nmid p^2 + 1$. Since we are assuming that $(q, m) \notin \{(4, 1), (9, 1)\}$, we conclude that $p^2 + 1$ does not divide 10. Hence there exists a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 4 \rangle$ different from 5.

For a prime number r , let $v_r : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$ be the r -adic valuation map. For a Dirichlet polynomial $f(s) \in \mathcal{R}$, define the integers $a_n(f)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, by the condition

$$f(s) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{a_n(f)}{n^s}.$$

Then $\max\{v_r(l) : a_l(g) \neq 0\} + \max\{v_r(l) : a_l(h) \neq 0\} = \max\{v_r(l) : a_l(G) \neq 0\}$.

We claim that $h^{(t)}(s) = h(s)$. Indeed, since $a_{p^{fm+1}}(g) \neq 0$ and $v_t(p^{fm} + 1) = v_t(|G|)$, we get

$$\max\{v_t(l) : a_l(g) \neq 0\} = \max\{v_t(l) : a_l(G) \neq 0\}.$$

So, if $a_l(h) \neq 0$, then t does not divide l . In particular, $h^{(t)}(s) = h(s)$, as claimed.

It follows that

$$(5-1) \quad P_G^{(t)}(s) = g^{(t)}(s)h(s).$$

Finally we show that $h(s) = 1$.

Projective linear groups ($m = 1$). Let r be an odd prime divisor of $q - 1$ (recall that $q \neq 9$ and q is not a prime). Proposition 8, case (2), yields $P_G^{(t,r)}(s) = 1$. Now (5-1) yields $h^{(r)}(s) = 1$. So $P_G^{(r)}(s)$ is equal to $g^{(r)}(s)$. By Lemma 14, $a_{q(q+1)/2}(G) \neq 0$. Hence, since r does not divide $q(q+1)/2$, we get $a_{q(q+1)/2}(g(s)) \neq 0$. It follows that

$$\max\{v_p(l) : a_l(g) \neq 0\} = \max\{v_p(l) : a_l(G) \neq 0\}.$$

Thus $h(s) = h^{(p)}(s) = 1$.

Suzuki and Ree groups ($m = 2, 3$). In these cases, t clearly divides $\alpha_q^{(\pm)}$. Let r be a prime divisor of $\alpha_q^{(\mp)}$. By Proposition 12, case (4), we have $P_G^{(t,r)}(s) = 1$. By (5-1), we get $h^{(r)}(s) = 1$. Now $a_{p^{fm+1}}(g(s)) \neq 0$ yields

$$\max\{v_r(l) : a_l(g) \neq 0\} = \max\{v_r(l) : a_l(G) \neq 0\}.$$

Hence $h(s) = h^{(r)}(s) = 1$. □

6. $P_G(-1)$ does not vanish

Proposition 16. *Let $G = G(q, m)$ be as in the [Main Theorem](#). Then $P_G(-1) \neq 0$.*

Proof. Projective linear groups ($m = 1$). For $q \leq 11$ or $q = 49$, the proposition holds by direct inspection. Assume that q is greater than 11 and that $q \neq 49$.

Assume $f = 1$. By [Proposition 8](#), case (1), we get

$$P_G(s) = 1 - \frac{p+1}{(p+1)^s} + \sum_{p|k} \frac{a_k(G)}{k^s}.$$

By [Lemma 6](#), if p divides k , then p^2 divides $a_k(G)k$. Hence

$$P_G(-1) = 1 - (p+1)^2 + \sum_{p|k} a_k(G)k \equiv -2p \pmod{p^2}.$$

Assume $f \geq 2$. Let t be a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 2f \rangle$. In particular, for $f = 2$,

if 5^3 divides $p^2 + 1$, let $t = 5$;

otherwise, let t be a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 4 \rangle$ distinct from 5.

To see why this is possible, note that a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 2f \rangle$ exists since $q \neq 8$ and $f \geq 2$. If $f = 2$, then, by assumption, p is odd. So $p^2 + 1 = 2a$ for some odd number a . Suppose that $5^3 \nmid p^2 + 1$. Since $q \notin \{4, 9, 49\}$ by assumption, $p^2 + 1$ does not divide 50. Hence there exists a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 4 \rangle$ distinct from 5.

We observe that $t \neq 3$. As in the proof of [Proposition 8](#), case (2), we obtain:

(a)
$$P_G(s) = 1 - \frac{q(q-1)/2}{[q(q-1)/2]^s} + \sum_{t|k} \frac{a_k(G)}{k^s}.$$

(b) If M is a maximal subgroup of G , the index $|G : M|$ is divisible by t if and only if M is not isomorphic to $D_{2(q+1)/\delta}$. In particular, if M is not isomorphic to $D_{2(q+1)/\delta}$, we have $v_t(|G : M|) > v_t(|G|)/2$, where as before $v_t : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$ is the t -adic valuation map.

(c) If M_1 and M_2 are distinct maximal subgroups isomorphic to $D_{2(q+1)/\delta}$, then $|G : M_1 \cap M_2|$ is divisible by $|G|/2$ or $M_1 \cap M_2$ is contained in a maximal subgroup not isomorphic to $D_{2(q+1)/\delta}$.

We claim that

$$P_G(-1) = -\frac{(q+1)(q-2)(q^2-q+2)}{4} + \sum_{t|k} k a_k(G) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{t^{v_t(|G|)+1}}.$$

In fact,

$$v_t \left(\frac{(q+1)(q-2)(q^2-q+2)}{4} \right) = v_t(q+1) = v_t(|G|).$$

Moreover, suppose that $a_k(G) \neq 0$ and that t divides k , for some $k > 1$. Then $v_t(k) > v_t(|G|)/2$. Indeed, by (b) and (c), the number k is divisible by $|G|/2$ or k divides the index of a maximal subgroup M such that t divides $|G : M|$ and $v_t(|G : M|) > v_t(|G|)/2$. Finally, by Lemma 6, we have $ka_k(G) \equiv 0 \pmod{t^{v_t(|G|)+1}}$.

Suzuki and Ree groups ($m = 2, 3$). Let t be a Zsigmondy prime for $\langle p, 2pf \rangle$. In particular, if $(p, f) = (2, 7)$, choose $t = 113$. Clearly $t \mid \alpha_q^{(\pm)}$.

We claim that if K is a subgroup of G and t divides $|G : K|$, then $v_t(|G : K|) = v_t(|G|)$. By Theorem 10 and 11, every maximal subgroup of G has this property. Moreover, if M is a maximal subgroup of G such that t does not divide $|G : M|$, then M is isomorphic to B_{\pm} . Finally, the index of the intersection of two distinct maximal subgroups isomorphic to B_{\pm} is a multiple of $\alpha_q^{(\pm)}$; see the proof of Proposition 12, case (4).

Now, using Lemma 6, we get that if t divides k , then $t^{2v_t(|G|)}$ divides $ka_k(G)$. Again by case (4) in Proposition 12, we have

$$P_G(-1) = 1 - \left(\frac{q^p \alpha_q^{(\mp)} (q^{p-1} - 1)}{2p} \right)^2 + \sum_{t \mid k} ka_k(G),$$

so $P_G(-1) \equiv 1 - \left(\frac{q^p \alpha_q^{(\mp)} (q^{p-1} - 1)}{2p} \right)^2 \pmod{t^{2v_t(|G|)}}$. Finally

$$v_t \left(1 - \left(\frac{q^p \alpha_q^{(\mp)} (q^{p-1} - 1)}{2p} \right)^2 \right) = v_t(\alpha_q^{(\pm)}) = v_t(|G|).$$

Hence $P_G(-1) \neq 0$. □

7. Dirichlet polynomials of $\text{PSL}(2, q)$, with $q = p^f$

We list here the Dirichlet polynomial $P(s) := P_{\text{PSL}(2, q)}(s)$ for all values of q . We adopt the following conventions: μ is the usual Möbius function on positive integers; $r_h = \frac{1}{2}(p^h + 1)$; $v_h = \frac{1}{2}(p^h - 1)$; $r = r_f$; $v = v_f$; and $\alpha = 1$ if $f = 2^k$ for some $k > 1$, $\alpha = 0$ otherwise.

- For $q = 5$,

$$P(s) = 1 - \frac{5}{5^s} - \frac{6}{6^s} - \frac{10}{10^s} + \frac{20}{20^s} + \frac{60}{30^s} - \frac{60}{60^s}.$$

- For $q = 7$,

$$P(s) = 1 - \frac{14}{7^s} - \frac{8}{8^s} + \frac{21}{21^s} + \frac{28}{28^s} + \frac{56}{56^s} - \frac{84}{84^s}.$$

- For $q = 9$,

$$P(s) = 1 - \frac{12}{6^s} - \frac{10}{10^s} - \frac{30}{15^s} + \frac{60}{30^s} + \frac{36}{36^s} + \frac{45}{45^s} + \frac{240}{60^s} + \frac{90}{90^s} - \frac{240}{120^s} - \frac{900}{180^s} + \frac{720}{360^s}.$$

- For $q = 11$,

$$P(s) = 1 - \frac{22}{11^s} - \frac{12}{12^s} + \frac{66}{66^s} + \frac{220}{110^s} + \frac{132}{132^s} + \frac{165}{165^s} - \frac{220}{220^s} - \frac{990}{330^s} + \frac{660}{660^s}.$$

- For $q = p$, $p \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{5}$, $p \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{8}$,

$$P(s) = 1 - \frac{pv}{(pv)^s} - \frac{pr}{(pr)^s} - \frac{2r}{(2r)^s} + \frac{2pr}{(2pr)^s} - \frac{prv/6}{(prv/6)^s} + \frac{prv/2}{(prv/2)^s} \\ + \frac{2prv/3}{(2prv/3)^s} + \frac{prv}{(prv)^s} - \frac{2prv}{(2prv)^s}.$$

- For $q = p$, $p \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{5}$, $p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}$,

$$P(s) = 1 - \frac{pv}{(pv)^s} - \frac{pr}{(pr)^s} - \frac{2r}{(2r)^s} + \frac{2pr}{(2pr)^s} - \frac{prv/6}{(prv/12)^s} + \frac{prv/2}{(prv/4)^s} + \frac{2prv/3}{(prv/3)^s} - \frac{prv}{(prv)^s}.$$

- For $q = p$, $p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{5}$, $p \equiv \pm 3 \pmod{8}$,

$$P(s) = 1 - \frac{pv}{(pv)^s} - \frac{pr}{(pr)^s} - \frac{2r}{(2r)^s} + \frac{2pr}{(2pr)^s} - \frac{prv/15}{(prv/30)^s} + \frac{prv/6}{(prv/6)^s} + \frac{2prv/5}{(prv/5)^s} \\ + \frac{2prv/3}{(prv/3)^s} + \frac{prv/2}{(prv/2)^s} - \frac{2prv/3}{(2prv/3)^s} - \frac{3prv}{(prv)^s} + \frac{2prv}{(2prv)^s}.$$

- For $q = p$, $p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{5}$, $p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{8}$,

$$P(s) = 1 - \frac{pv}{(pv)^s} - \frac{pr}{(pr)^s} - \frac{2r}{(2r)^s} + \frac{2pr}{(2pr)^s} - \frac{prv/15}{(prv/30)^s} - \frac{prv/6}{(prv/12)^s} + \frac{prv/3}{(prv/6)^s} \\ + \frac{2prv/5}{(prv/5)^s} + \frac{prv/2}{(prv/4)^s} + \frac{4prv/3}{(prv/3)^s} - \frac{4prv/3}{(2prv/3)^s} - \frac{5prv}{(prv)^s} + \frac{4prv}{(2prv)^s}.$$

- For $q = 2^f$, $f > 1$,

$$P(s) = \sum_{\substack{h|f \\ h>1}} \mu\left(\frac{f}{h}\right) \left(\frac{2^{f-h}rv/(r_hv_h)}{[2^{f-h}rv/(r_hv_h)]^s} - \frac{2^{f-h+1}rv/v_h}{[2^{f-h+1}rv/v_h]^s} - \frac{2^f rv/v_h}{[2^f rv/v_h]^s} - \frac{2^f rv/r_h}{[2^f rv/r_h]^s} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2^{f+1}rv/r_h}{[2^{f+1}rv/r_h]^s} \right) + \mu(f) \left(-\frac{2^{f+2}rv}{[2^{f+1}rv]^s} + \frac{2^{f+2}rv}{[2^{f+2}rv]^s} \right).$$

- For $q = p^f$, $p \in \{3, 5\}$, $f > 1$ odd,

$$P(s) = \sum_{\substack{h|f \\ h>1}} \mu(f/h) \left(\frac{p^{f-h}rv/(r_hv_h)}{[p^{f-h}rv/(r_hv_h)]^s} - \frac{2p^{f-h}rv/v_h}{[2p^{f-h}rv/v_h]^s} - \frac{p^f rv/v_h}{[p^f rv/v_h]^s} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{p^f rv/r_h}{[p^f rv/r_h]^s} + \frac{2p^f rv/v_h}{[2p^f rv/v_h]^s} \right) \\ + \mu(f) \left(-\frac{p^{f-1}2rv}{[2p^{f-1}rv]^s} + \delta_{p,3} \left(\frac{3^f rv/6}{[3^f rv/6]^s} - \frac{3^f rv/2}{[3^f rv/2]^s} - \frac{3^f rv}{[3^f rv]^s} + \frac{2 \cdot 3^f rv}{[2 \cdot 3^f rv]^s} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \delta_{p,5} \left(\frac{5^f rv/30}{[5^f rv/30]^s} - \frac{5^f rv/2}{[5^f rv/2]^s} - \frac{5^f rv/3}{[5^f rv/3]^s} + \frac{5^f rv}{[5^f rv]^s} \right) \right)$$

- For $q = p^f$, $p \geq 3$, $f \geq 4$ even or $p \equiv \pm 1, 0 \pmod{5}$, $f = 2$

$$P(s) = \sum_{\substack{h|f \\ f/h \text{ odd}}} \mu(f/h) \left(\frac{p^{f-h}rv/(r_hv_h)}{[p^{f-h}rv/(r_hv_h)]^s} - \frac{2p^{f-h}rv/v_h}{[2p^{f-h}rv/v_h]^s} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{p^f rv/v_h}{[p^f rv/v_h]^s} - \frac{p^f rv/r_h}{[p^f rv/r_h]^s} + \frac{2p^f rv/v_h}{[2p^f rv/v_h]^s} \right) \\ + \sum_{\substack{h|f \\ f/h \text{ even}}} \mu(f/h) \left(\frac{p^{f-h}rv/(r_hv_h)}{[p^{f-h}rv/(2r_hv_h)]^s} - \frac{p^{f-h}2rv/v_h}{[p^{f-h}rv/v_h]^s} - \frac{p^f rv/v_h}{[p^f rv/(2v_h)]^s} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{p^f rv/r_h}{[p^f rv/(2r_h)]^s} + \frac{2p^f rv/v_h}{[p^f rv/v_h]^s} \right) + \alpha \left(-\frac{p^f rv}{[p^f rv/2]^s} + \frac{p^f rv}{[p^f rv]^s} \right)$$

- For $q = p^2$, $p > 5$, $p \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{5}$,

$$P(s) = 1 - \frac{2r}{(2r)^s} - \frac{p^2r}{(p^2r)^s} - \frac{p^2v}{(p^2v)^s} + \frac{2p^2r}{(2p^2r)^s} - \frac{2pr}{(pr)^s} + \frac{4prr_1}{(2prr_1)^s} + \frac{2p^2rr_1}{(p^2rr_1)^s} \\ + \frac{2p^2rv_1}{(p^2rv_1)^s} - \frac{4p^2rr_1}{(2p^2rr_1)^s} - \frac{p^2rv}{(p^2rv/2)^s} - \frac{3p^2rv}{(p^2rv)^s} - \frac{p^2rv/15}{(p^2rv/30)^s} \\ + \frac{p^2rv/3}{(p^2rv/6)^s} + \frac{2p^2rv/5}{(p^2rv/5)^s} + \frac{2p^2rv/3}{(p^2rv/3)^s} - \frac{4p^2rv/3}{(2p^2rv/3)^s} + \frac{4p^2rv}{(2p^2rv)^s}.$$

- For $q = p^f$, $p > 5$, $f > 1$ odd,

$$P(s) = \sum_{h|f} \mu(f/h) \left(\frac{p^{f-h}rv/(r_hv_h)}{[p^{f-h}rv/(r_hv_h)]^s} - \frac{2p^{f-h}rv/v_h}{[2p^{f-h}rv/v_h]^s} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{p^f rv/v_h}{[p^f rv/v_h]^s} - \frac{p^f rv/r_h}{[p^f rv/r_h]^s} + \frac{2p^f rv/v_h}{[2p^f rv/v_h]^s} \right).$$

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