

**CERTAIN COMBINATORIC CONVOLUTION SUMS
AND THEIR RELATIONS TO BERNOULLI
AND EULER POLYNOMIALS**

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we give relationship between Bernoulli-Euler polynomials and convolution sums of divisor functions. First, we establish two explicit formulas for certain combinatoric convolution sums of divisor functions derived from Bernoulli and Euler polynomials. Second, as applications, we show five identities concerning the third and fourth-order convolution sums of divisor functions expressed by their divisor functions and linear combination of Bernoulli or Euler polynomials.

1. Introduction and statement of main results

1.1. Introduction and notations

The Bernoulli polynomials $B_k(x)$ and the Euler polynomials $E_k(x)$ play an important and quite mysterious role in mathematics and various places like analysis, number theory and differential topology. Throughout this paper, the symbols \mathbb{N} , \mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{C} denote the set of natural numbers, the ring of integers, the field of real numbers and the field of complex numbers respectively. For the rest of this subsection we refer to [6, 21]. The Bernoulli numbers B_0, B_1, B_2, \dots are defined through the recursion formula

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k+1}{j} B_j = 0 \quad \text{with } B_0 = 1.$$

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The Euler numbers E_0, E_1, E_2, \dots are defined by $E_0 = 1$ and the recursion relation

$$\sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ 2|k-j}}^k \binom{k}{j} E_j = 0.$$

For $k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$, the k th Bernoulli polynomial $B_k(x)$ and the k th Euler polynomial $E_k(x)$ are defined as follows:

$$B_k(x) = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} B_j x^{k-j}$$

and

$$E_k(x) = \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} \frac{E_j}{2^j} (x - \frac{1}{2})^{k-j}.$$

Note that both $B_k(x)$ and $E_k(x)$ are monic polynomials with rational coefficients, $B_k = B_k(0)$ and $E_k = 2^k E_k(\frac{1}{2})$. The Bernoulli polynomials and Euler polynomials satisfy the following well-known identities:

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^N j^n &= \frac{B_{n+1}(N+1) - B_{n+1}(0)}{n+1} \\ &= \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^j \binom{n+1}{j} B_j N^{n+1-j}, \quad (n \geq 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$(1.2) \quad B_n(x+y) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} B_k(x) y^{n-k}$$

and

$$(1.3) \quad E_n(x+y) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} E_k(x) y^{n-k}.$$

Finally, we need the following number-theoretical functions. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $l \in \{0, 1\}$, we define the following divisor functions:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_k(n) &:= \sum_{d|n} d^k, \quad \sigma_k^*(n) := \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ \frac{d}{n} \text{ odd}}} d^k, \\ \sigma_{k,l}(n; 2) &:= \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \equiv l \pmod{2}}} d^k, \quad \tilde{\sigma}_k(n) := \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{d-1} d^k. \end{aligned}$$

1.2. Motivation

The identity

$$(1.4) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sigma_1(k)\sigma_1(n-k) = \frac{5}{12}\sigma_3(n) + \left(\frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{2}n\right)\sigma_1(n)$$

for the basic convolution sum first appeared in a letter from *Besge to Liouville* in 1862 ([3]). Moreover, it should be noted that Ramanujan [18] introduced

$$\begin{aligned} P(q) &= 1 - 24 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_1(n)q^n, \\ Q(q) &= 1 + 240 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_3(n)q^n, \\ R(q) &= 1 - 504 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_5(n)q^n \end{aligned}$$

and obtained that

$$\begin{aligned} q \frac{dP(q)}{dq} &= \frac{P^2(q) - Q(q)}{12}, \\ q \frac{dQ(q)}{dq} &= \frac{P(q)Q(q) - R(q)}{3}, \\ q \frac{dR(q)}{dq} &= \frac{P(q)R(q) - Q^2(q)}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Observe that the n th coefficient of $P^2(q)$ contains the convolution sum

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sigma_1(k)\sigma_1(n-k),$$

whence one can see that the identity $q \frac{dP(q)}{dq} = \frac{P^2(q) - Q(q)}{12}$ is equivalent to Besge's formula (1.4).

Many recent works on convolution formulas for divisor functions can be found in B. C. Berndt [2], J. W. L. Glaisher [7], H. Hahn [8], J. G. Huard et al. [9], D. Kim et al. [11], G. Melfi [16] and K. S. Williams [25, 24, 26]. In particular, the problem of convolution sums of the divisor function $\sigma_1(n)$ and the theory of Eisenstein series has recently attracted considerable interest with the emergence of *quasimodular* tools. For a similar work, see also [4]. In connection with the classical *Jacobi theta and Euler functions*, other aspects of the function $\sigma_1(n)$ are explored by Simsek in [19]. For some of the story of the subject, and for selection of these articles, we mention [15] and [16], and especially [9] and [25]. The study of convolution sums and their applications is classic and they play an important role in number theory (see [4], [9], [25]).

In this article we are trying to focus on the *combinatoric convolution sums*. For positive integers l and n , the combinatoric convolution sums

$$(1.5) \quad \sum_{r=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l}{2r+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2l-2r-1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{2r+1,1}(n-m; 2)$$

and

$$(1.6) \quad \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-2s-1}(m) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(n-m)$$

can be evaluated explicitly in terms of divisor functions and a sum involving Bernoulli or Euler polynomials. We are motivated by Ramanujan's recursion formula for sums of the product of two Eisenstein series [2] and its proof, and also the following identities ([10], [25]):

$$(1.7) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}(m) \sigma_{2s+1}(n-m) \\ & = \frac{2k+3}{4k+2} \sigma_{2k+1}(n) + \left(\frac{k}{6} - n \right) \sigma_{2k-1}(n) + \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{j=2}^k \binom{2k+1}{2j} B_{2j} \sigma_{2k+1-2j}(n), \end{aligned}$$

$$(1.8) \quad \sum_{r=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l}{2r+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2l-2r-1}^*(m) \sigma_{2r+1}^*(n-m) = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_{2l+1}^*(n) - n \sigma_{2l-1}^*(n)).$$

1.3. Main results

The aim of this article is to study two combinatoric convolution sums of the analogous type (1.5) and (1.6) in [13]. Using these new formulas and addition theorem of Bernoulli or Euler polynomials, we derive the explicit formulas for the third and fourth-order convolution sums of divisor functions.

More precisely, we prove the following results.

Proposition 1. *Let $k \geq 1$ and $n \geq 2$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{2s+1,1}(n-m; 2) \\ & = \frac{1}{4} \sigma_{2k+1,0}(n; 2) + \frac{2^{2k}}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

In the following special cases the above formula in Proposition 1 is simple. Then, for n odd we have

$$(1.9) \quad \begin{aligned} & (2k+1) \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{2s+1,1}(n-m; 2) \\ & = 2^{2k} \sum_{d|n} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

If $n = 2^a$, then

$$\sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{2s+1,1}(n-m; 2) = \frac{1}{4} \sigma_{2k+1,0}(2^a; 2).$$

We set

$$\binom{m}{a_1, \dots, a_k} = \frac{m!}{a_1! \cdots a_k!}, \text{ with } a_1 + \cdots + a_k = m \text{ and } a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}.$$

Corollary 2. Let $n \geq 1$ and q be an odd positive integer greater than 2. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ 1 \leq t \leq 2k, t \text{ odd}}} \binom{2n+1+2k}{2k, 2n+1-2k, t, 2k-t} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\sigma_{2k-t,1}(m; 2)}{2^{2k-t}} \frac{\sigma_{t,1}(q-m; 2)}{2^{t-1}} \right) \\ & = \sum_{d|q} P_{2n+1}(d) - \sigma_1(q), \end{aligned}$$

where $P_n(x)$ is the Legendre polynomial. If p is an odd positive prime integer, then

$$\sum_{d|q} P_p(d) \equiv \sigma_1(q) \pmod{p}.$$

In particular, if p and q are distinct odd positive prime integers, then we have

$$(1.10) \quad P_p(q)/q \equiv 1 \pmod{p}.$$

Remark 3. (1) Many interesting results of the Legendre polynomial are in [22, 23]. By (1.10), we give a finding method for a composite number. That is, if $P_p(q)/q \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$, then we determine q is a composite number.

(2) If p is an odd positive prime integer, then

$$\sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{p-1} \left(\frac{\sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(m; 2)}{2^{2k-2s-1}} \right) \left(\frac{\sigma_{2s+1,1}(p-m; 2)}{2^{2s+1}} \right) = \sum_{j=0}^{(p-1)/2} j^{2k}.$$

This is an analogous answer of (Question) in [12, p. 336].

Theorem 4. Let k and l be nonnegative integers. Then we have

$$(1.11) \quad \sum_{j+r+v=2k+1} \frac{(-1)^v}{2^{r+v}} \binom{2k+1}{j, r, v} B_j \cdot (2l+1)^v = -B_{2k+1}(l+1).$$

Example 5. If $p = 2q + 1$ is an odd prime, then

$$(1.12) \quad \sum_{m=1}^q \sigma_{1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{1,1}(2q+1-m; 2) = \frac{B_3(q+1)}{3},$$

$$(1.13) \quad \sum_{m=1}^q \sigma_{1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{3,1}(2q+1-m; 2) = \frac{B_5(q+1)}{5},$$

$$(1.14) \quad \sum_{j+r+v=2k+1} \frac{(-1)^v}{2^{r+v}} \binom{2k+1}{j,r,v} B_j \cdot p^v = -B_{2k+1}(\frac{p+1}{2}).$$

Proposition 6. Let $k \geq 1$ and $n \geq 2$. Then

$$(1.15) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-2s-1}(m) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(n-m) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k+1}(n) + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k}(n) + n \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-1}(n) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2k}(d+1). \end{aligned}$$

Remark 7. (1) (1.15) is a generalization of [8, (4.4), (4.9)].

(2) The Proposition 1 and Proposition 6 can be compare to Theorem 3 and Theorem 4 in [13] as different formulas, respectively. Bernoulli, Euler polynomials and the convolutions for divisor functions are studied by many mathematicians independently. Our results (Propositions 1 and 4) give us two good relations between Bernoulli–Euler polynomials and convolution sum of divisor functions. For example, the well known basic properties (addition, difference, symmetry formulas, etc) of Bernoulli and Euler polynomials give us a simple and useful computational technique for the third and fourth-order convolution sum of divisor functions. In particular, it is a curious result with respect to same pattern that a certain combinatoric of convolution sums for $(\sum_{d|n} (-1)^{d-1} d^{2k-2s-1})(\sum_{d|n} (-1)^{d-1} d^{2s+1})$ in Proposition 6 is represented by a linear sum with respect to a Euler sum $\sum_{d|n} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2k}(d+1)$ and three divisor functions $\sum_{d|n} (-1)^{d-1} d^{2k+1-i}$ with $i = 0, 1, 2$.

As applications of Proposition 1 and Proposition 6, we obtain the following results.

Theorem 8. Let $l, n, p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ with l, n, p greater than 1. Then

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{a,b \text{ odd} \\ 1 \leq m \leq n-1}} \binom{l}{a,b,c} \sigma_{a,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{b,1}(n-m; 2) \sigma_{c,0}(2q; 2) \\ &= \frac{2^{l-2}}{l+1} \sum_{\alpha \mid \frac{n}{2}, d \mid q} \alpha [B_{l+1}(\alpha + d + 1) - B_{l+1}(\alpha + d) \\ & \quad + (-1)^l \{B_{l+1}(\alpha - d + 1) - B_{l+1}(\alpha - d)\}] \\ & \quad + \frac{2^{l-1}}{l+1} \left[\sum_{\substack{d \mid q \\ \alpha \mid n, \alpha \text{ odd}}} \left(B_{l+1}\left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} + d\right) + (-1)^l B_{l+1}\left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} - d\right) \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{1,1}(n;2) + \sigma_1(\frac{n}{2}))\sigma_{l,0}(2q;2).$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{a,b \text{ odd} \\ 1 \leq m \leq n-1}} \binom{l}{a,b,c} \sigma_{a,1}(m;2) \sigma_{b,1}(n-m;2) \sigma_c^*(2q) \\ &= \frac{2^{l-2}}{l+1} \sum_{\substack{\alpha \mid \frac{n}{2} \\ d \mid q, \frac{q}{d} \text{ odd}}} \alpha \{ B_{l+1}(\alpha+d+1) - B_{l+1}(\alpha+d) \\ & \quad + (-1)^l (B_{l+1}(\alpha-d+1) + B_{l+1}(\alpha-d)) \} \\ & \quad + \frac{2^{l-1}}{l+1} \left[\sum_{\substack{d \mid q \\ \alpha \mid n, \alpha \text{ odd}}} \left(B_{l+1}\left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2}+d\right) + (-1)^l B_{l+1}\left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2}-d\right) \right) \right] \\ & \quad - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{1,1}(n;2) + \sigma_1(\frac{n}{2}))\sigma_l^*(2q). \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{a,b \text{ odd} \\ 1 \leq m \leq p-1}} \binom{l}{a,b,c} \tilde{\sigma}_a(m) \tilde{\sigma}_b(p-m) \tilde{\sigma}_c(q) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_l(q) \{ \tilde{\sigma}_1(p) - 2p \tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(p) \} \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{\alpha \mid p, d \mid q}} \frac{(-1)^{\alpha+d}}{\alpha} [(2p+\alpha-\alpha^2) \{ E_l(d+\alpha) + E_l(d-\alpha+1) \} \\ & \quad \quad + (2p-\alpha-\alpha^2) \{ E_l(d+\alpha+1) + E_l(d-\alpha) \}]. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 9. Let $m, p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ with greater than 1. Then

(1.16)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq p-1 \\ 1 \leq l' \leq q-1 \\ a,b,c,d \text{ odd}}} \binom{2m}{a,b,c,d} \sigma_{a,1}(l;2) \sigma_{b,1}(p-l;2) \sigma_{c,1}(l';2) \sigma_{d,1}(q-l';2) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{d \mid p, d' \mid q \\ d, d' \text{ odd}}} \left[\frac{2^{2m-2}}{2m+1} \left\{ (d+d') B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d+d'}{2} + 1 \right) + (d-d') B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d'-d}{2} \right) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. - 2dB_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d'+1}{2} \right) - 2d'B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d+1}{2} \right) \right\} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{2^{2m-2}}{m+1} \left\{ B_{2m+2} \left(\frac{d+d'}{2} + 1 \right) - B_{2m+2} \left(\frac{d'-d}{2} \right) \right\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{2^{2m-2}}{2m+1} \sum_{\substack{d \mid \frac{p}{2}, d' \mid q \\ d' \text{ odd}}} d \left[B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d'+1+2d}{2} \right) + B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d'+1-2d}{2} \right) \right] \\
& + \frac{2^{2m-2}}{2m+1} \sum_{\substack{d' \mid \frac{q}{2}, d \mid p \\ d \text{ odd}}} d' \left[B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d+1+2d'}{2} \right) + B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d+1-2d'}{2} \right) \right] \\
& + \frac{2^{2m-3}}{2m+1} \sum_{\substack{d \mid \frac{p}{2}, d' \mid \frac{q}{2}}} dd' \{ B_{2m+1}(d+d'+1) - B_{2m+1}(d+d') \\
& \quad + B_{2m+1}(d-d'+1) - B_{2m+1}(d-d') \} \\
& - \frac{2^{2m-2}}{2m+1} \left\{ \sigma_{1,0}(p; 2) \sum_{\substack{d' \mid q, d' \text{ odd}}} B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d'+1}{2} \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sigma_{1,0}(q; 2) \sum_{\substack{d \mid p, d \text{ odd}}} B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d+1}{2} \right) \right\} \\
& - \frac{1}{8} \{ \sigma_{2m+1,0}(q; 2) \sigma_{1,1}(p; 2) + \sigma_{2m+1,0}(p; 2) \sigma_{1,1}(q; 2) \} \\
& - \frac{1}{16} \{ \sigma_{2m+1,0}(p; 2) \sigma_{1,0}(q; 2) + \sigma_{1,0}(p; 2) \sigma_{2m+1,0}(q; 2) \}.
\end{aligned}$$

Example 10. Theorem 9 in the special case where p and q are odd positive prime integers, has the following nice and simple statement:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq p-1, 1 \leq l' \leq q-1 \\ a,b,c,d \text{ odd}}} \binom{2m}{a,b,c,d} \sigma_{a,1}(l; 2) \sigma_{b,1}(p-l; 2) \sigma_{c,1}(l'; 2) \sigma_{d,1}(q-l'; 2) \\
& = \frac{4^{m-1}}{2m+1} \left\{ (p+q) B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{p+q}{2} + 1 \right) + (p-q) B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{q-p}{2} \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - 2p B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{q+1}{2} \right) - 2q B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{p+1}{2} \right) \right\} \\
& - \frac{4^{m-1}}{m+1} \left\{ B_{2m+2} \left(\frac{p+q}{2} + 1 \right) - B_{2m+2} \left(\frac{q-p}{2} \right) \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 11. Let $m, p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ with greater than 1. Then the triple convolution sum

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq p-1, 1 \leq l' \leq q-1 \\ a,b,c,d \text{ odd}}} \binom{2m}{a,b,c,d} \tilde{\sigma}_a(l) \tilde{\sigma}_b(p-l) \tilde{\sigma}_c(l') \tilde{\sigma}_d(q-l') \\
& = -\frac{1}{4} (\tilde{\sigma}_1(p) - 2p \tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(p)) (\tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(q) - \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(q) - 2q \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(q))
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} E_{2m}(d'+1) \Big) \\
& - \frac{1}{4} (\tilde{\sigma}_1(q) - 2q\tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(q)) \left(\tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(p) - \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(p) - 2p\tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(p) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2m}(d+1) \right) \\
& + \frac{1}{8} \sum_{d|p, d' \mid q} (-1)^{d+d'} \left[\frac{(2p+d-d^2)(2q+d'-d'^2)}{2dd'} \right. \\
& \quad \times \left\{ E_{2m}(d+d'+1) + E_{2m}(d+d') + E_{2m}(d-d') + E_{2m}(d-d'+1) \right\} \\
& \quad - \left\{ \frac{(2p+d-d^2)}{d} + \frac{(2q+d'-d'^2)}{d'} \right\} E_{2m}(d+d'+1) \\
& \quad - \frac{(2p+d(1+2d')-3d^2)}{d} E_{2m}(d-d') - \frac{(2q+d'-d'^2)}{d'} E_{2m}(d-d'+1) \\
& \quad \left. + 2\{E_{2m+1}(d+d'+2) + E_{2m+1}(d'-d+1) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - (d+d'+1)E_{2m}(d+d'+2)\} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Observe that in the case p and q odd prime numbers, the above formula is very simple.

2. Proofs of first main results

To prove propositions and theorems, we need the following lemma.

Lemma 12. *If $n \geq 2$ and $k \geq 1$, then*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}(m) \sigma_{2s+1}(n-m) \\
& = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k+1}(n) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k}(n) - n \sigma_{2k-1}(n) + \sum_{d|n} \frac{B_{2k+1}(d+1)}{2k+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. From (1.7) we see that

(2.1)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}(m) \sigma_{2s+1}(n-m) \\
& = \frac{2k+3}{4k+2} \sigma_{2k+1}(n) + \left(\frac{k}{6} - n \right) \sigma_{2k-1}(n) + \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{j=2}^k \binom{2k+1}{2j} B_{2j} \sigma_{2k+1-2j}(n) \\
& = \frac{2k+3}{4k+2} \sigma_{2k+1}(n) + \left(\frac{k}{6} - n \right) \sigma_{2k-1}(n) + \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{j=0}^{2k+1} \binom{2k+1}{j} (-1)^j B_j \sigma_{2k+1-j}(n)
\end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2k+1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^k \binom{2k+1}{2j+1} (-1)^{2j+1} B_{2j+1} \sigma_{2k-2j}(n) + B_0 \sigma_{2k+1}(n) \right. \\ \left. + \binom{2k+1}{2} B_2 \sigma_{2k-1}(n) \right).$$

Using relation (1.1) and

$$(2.2) \quad B_0 = 1, \quad B_1 = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad B_2 = \frac{1}{6}, \quad B_{2k+1} = B_{2k+1}(0) = 0, \quad \text{with } k \geq 1$$

we deduce that

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{2k+1}{2j+1} (-1)^{2j+1} B_{2j+1} \sigma_{2k-2j}(n) \\ &= -\binom{2k+1}{1} B_1 \sigma_{2k}(n) = \frac{2k+1}{2} \sigma_{2k}(n), \\ & \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{j=0}^{2k+1} \binom{2k+1}{j} (-1)^j B_j \sigma_{2k+1-j}(n) \\ &= \sum_{d|n} \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{j=0}^{2k+1} \binom{2k+1}{j} (-1)^j B_j d^{2k+1-j} \\ &= \sum_{d|n} \frac{B_{2k+1}(d+1) - B_{2k+1}(0)}{2k+1} = \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{d|n} B_{2k+1}(d+1) \end{aligned}$$

with $k \geq 1$. Combining (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3), we get this lemma. \square

Remark 13. The lemma gives new light, to study higher combinatoric convolution sums. In fact, we will use it to prove Proposition 6.

In the following proposition, we state a property of combinatoric convolution sums for divisor functions, which will be used in our proofs.

Proposition 14 ([13, (12)]). *For $k, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $n \geq 2$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{2s+1,1}(n-m; 2) \\ &= 2^{2k-1} \sigma_{2k+1}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{4k+2} \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{2k+1}{2i+1} \tilde{B}_{2k-2i} \sigma_{2i+1,1}(n; 2), \end{aligned}$$

where $\tilde{B}_k := \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} 2^j B_j = 2^k B_k(1/2)$.

Proof of Proposition 1. By (1.2) we obtain we obtain

$$(2.4) \quad B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{1+d}{2}\right) - B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{1-d}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2^{2k}} \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{2k+1}{2i} B_{2i} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) 2^{2i} d^{2k+1-2i}.$$

We recall that

$$(2.5) \quad B_n(1-x) = (-1)^n B_n(x).$$

Using (2.4) and (2.5), we deduce that

$$(2.6) \quad B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2^{2k+1}} \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{2k+1}{2i+1} \tilde{B}_{2k-2i} d^{2i+1}.$$

Equating (2.6) and Proposition 14,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{2s+1,1}(n-m; 2) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sigma_{2k+1,0}(n; 2) + \frac{2^{2k}}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

with $k \geq 1$. It is easily checked that $\sigma_{2k+1,0}(n; 2) = 0$ with n odd. Thus we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & 2^{2k} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) \\ &= (2k+1) \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{2s+1,1}(n-m; 2) \end{aligned}$$

with n odd. If $n = 2^a$, then $\sum_{\substack{d|2^a \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) = B_{2k+1}(1) = 0$. This proves the proposition. \square

Proof of Corollary 2. We recall [17, (2.6)] that

$$(2.7) \quad \frac{1}{2} P_{2n+1}(2x-1) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(2n+2k+1)!}{(2k)!(2k+1)!(2n-2k+1)!} B_{2k+1}(x)$$

with $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Put $d = 2x-1$. By (2.7) and (1.9), we derive that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{d|q} P_{2n+1}(d) &= 2 \sum_{d|q} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(2n+1+2k)!}{(2k)!(2k)!(2n+1-2k)!} \frac{B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right)}{2k+1} \\ &= \sum_{d|q} d + \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{2n+1+2k}{2k, 2k, 2n+1-2k} \\ &\quad \times \left(\sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(m; 2)}{2^{2k-2s-1}} \frac{\sigma_{2s+1,1}(q-m; 2)}{2^{2s}} \right) \\ &= \sigma_1(q) + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ 1 \leq t \leq 2k, t \text{ odd}}} \binom{2n+1+2k}{2k, 2n+1-2k, t, 2k-t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\times \left(\sum_{m=1}^{q-1} \frac{\sigma_{2k-t,1}(m;2)}{2^{2k-t}} \frac{\sigma_{2t,1}(q-m;2)}{2^{t-1}} \right).$$

It is easily checked that $P_p(1) = 1$, $\sigma_1(q) = 1 + q$ and $p| \binom{p+2k}{2k,p-2k,t,2k-t}$ with p and q distinct odd prime integers and $1 \leq k \leq (p-1)/2$. This proves the corollary. \square

Proof of Theorem 4. For $k = 0$, by simple computation Theorem 4 holds. By the same method in (2.3), we derive that

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq t < d \\ t \text{ even}}} t^{2k} &= -2^{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} \sum_{l=1}^{\frac{d-1}{2}} l^{2k} \\ &= -2^{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{j=0}^{2k} (-1)^j \binom{2k+1}{j} B_j \left(\frac{d-1}{2} \right)^{2k+1-j} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{2k} (-1)^{j+1} \binom{2k+1}{j} \frac{2^j B_j}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} (d-1)^{2k+1-j} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{2k} (-1)^{j+1} \binom{2k+1}{j} \frac{2^j B_j}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} \sum_{r=0}^{2k+1-j} \binom{2k+1-j}{r} (-1)^r d^{2k+1-j-r} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{2k} (-1)^{j+1} \binom{2k+1}{j} \frac{2^j B_j}{2k+1} \sum_{r=0}^{2k+1-j} \binom{2k+1-j}{r} (-1)^r \sigma_{2k+1-j-r,1}(n;2) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{2k} \sum_{r=0}^{2k+1-j} (-1)^{j+r+1} \binom{2k+1}{j} \binom{2k+1-j}{r} \frac{2^j B_j}{2k+1} \sigma_{2k+1-j-r,1}(n;2) \end{aligned}$$

with $k \geq 1$. Therefore, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{4} \sigma_{2k+1,0}(n;2) &+ \frac{2^{2k}}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2k+1} \left(\frac{d+1}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sigma_{2k+1,0}(n;2) \\ &+ \frac{1}{4k+2} \sum_{j=0}^{2k} \sum_{r=0}^{2k+1-j} (-1)^{j+r} \binom{2k+1}{j} \binom{2k+1-j}{r} 2^j B_j \sigma_{2k+1-j-r,1}(n;2) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{2l+1|n} B_{2k+1}(l+1) = - \sum_{2l+1|n} \left(\sum_{j+r+v=2k+1} (2l+1)^v (-1)^v \binom{2k+1}{j, r, v} 2^{-r-v} B_j \right).$$

We get the theorem. \square

Remark 15. (1.11) is an analogous result in [11, Question].

Lemma 16. *Let $k \geq 1$ and $n \geq 4$. Then we obtain*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}\left(\frac{m}{2}\right) \sigma_{2s+1}\left(\frac{n-m}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k+1}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) - \frac{n}{2} \sigma_{2k-1}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \sum_{d \mid \frac{n}{2}} \frac{B_{2k+1}(d+1)}{2k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. To prove this lemma, we consider

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}\left(\frac{m}{2}\right) \sigma_{2s+1}\left(\frac{n-m}{2}\right) \\ &= \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{\frac{n}{2}-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}(m) \sigma_{2s+1}\left(\frac{n}{2}-m\right). \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 12, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}\left(\frac{m}{2}\right) \sigma_{2s+1}\left(\frac{n-m}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k+1}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) - \frac{n}{2} \sigma_{2k-1}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \sum_{d \mid \frac{n}{2}} \frac{B_{2k+1}(d+1)}{2k+1}. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Proof of Proposition 6. Let $k \geq 1$ and $n \geq 2$. Then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-2s-1}(m) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(n-m) \\ &= \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \left(\sigma_{2k-2s-1}(m) - 2^{2k-2s} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}\left(\frac{m}{2}\right) \right) \\ & \quad \times \left(\sigma_{2s+1}(n-m) - 2^{2s+2} \sigma_{2s+1}\left(\frac{n-m}{2}\right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}(m) \sigma_{2s+1}(n-m) \\ & \quad - 2 \left[\sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} 2^{2s+1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}(m) \sigma_{2s+1}\left(\frac{n-m}{2}\right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} 2^{2k-2s-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}\left(\frac{m}{2}\right) \sigma_{2s+1}(n-m) \right] \\ & \quad + 2^{2k+2} \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}\left(\frac{m}{2}\right) \sigma_{2s+1}\left(\frac{n-m}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

From Proposition 1, Lemma 12 and Lemma 16 we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.8) \quad & \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-2s-1}(m) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(n-m) \\
& = -\frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k+1}(n) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k}(n) + n \sigma_{2k-1}(n) - \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{d|n} B_{2k+1}(d+1) \\
& \quad + 2^{2k+1} \left[\frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k+1}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) - \frac{n}{2} \sigma_{2k-1}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \sum_{d|\frac{n}{2}} \frac{B_{2k+1}(d+1)}{2k+1} \right] \\
& \quad + 2^{2k} \sigma_{2k+1}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{2^{2k+1}}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) \\
& = -\frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k+1}(n) + \sigma_{2k+1,0}(n; 2) + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k}(n) - \sigma_{2k,0}(n; 2) + n \sigma_{2k-1}(n) \\
& \quad - 2n \sigma_{2k-1,0}(n; 2) + T,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.9) \quad T := & -\frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{d|n} B_{2k+1}(d+1) \\
& + \frac{2^{2k+1}}{2k+1} \left(\sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) + \sum_{d|\frac{n}{2}} B_{2k+1}(d+1) \right) \\
& = -\frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2k+1}(d+1) + \frac{2^{2k+1}}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) \\
& \quad - \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ even}}} B_{2k+1}(d+1) + \frac{2^{2k+1}}{2k+1} \sum_{d|\frac{n}{2}} B_{2k+1}(d+1) \\
& = -\frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \text{ odd}}} \left(B_{2k+1}(d+1) - 2^{2k+1} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) \right) \\
& \quad - \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{d|\frac{n}{2}} (B_{2k+1}(2d+1) - 2^{2k+1} B_{2k+1}(d+1)).
\end{aligned}$$

It is well known that

$$(2.10) \quad E_n(x) = (-1)^n E_n(1-x)$$

and

$$(2.11) \quad E_n(x) = \frac{2}{n+1} \left\{ B_{n+1}(x) - 2^{n+1} B_{n+1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \right\}.$$

By (2.9), (2.10) and (2.11), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.12) \quad T &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{d \mid \frac{n}{2}} E_{2k}(-2d) - \sum_{\substack{d \mid n \\ d \text{ odd}}} E_{2k}(-d) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{d \mid \frac{n}{2}} E_{2k}(2d+1) - \sum_{\substack{d \mid n \\ d \text{ odd}}} E_{2k}(d+1) \right) \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \mid n} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2k}(d+1).
 \end{aligned}$$

By the definition of $\tilde{\sigma}_k$, we easily seen that

$$(2.13) \quad \tilde{\sigma}_k(n) = \sigma_{k,1}(n; 2) - \sigma_{k,0}(n; 2) \text{ and } \sigma_k(n) = \sigma_{k,1}(n; 2) + \sigma_{k,0}(n; 2).$$

From (2.8), (2.12) and (2.13) we obtain (1.15). \square

Remark 17. Proposition 6 and Lemma 12 give us two curious formulas replace $\sigma_s(n)$ (resp., $\frac{B_{2k+1}(n)}{2k+1}$, Faulhaber sum) by $-\tilde{\sigma}_s(n)$ (resp., $-\frac{E_{2k}(n)}{2}$, alternating sum). See the table below.

Table 1. Convolution sums of divisor functions

$\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1}(m) \sigma_{2s+1}(n-m)$	$= \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k+1}(n) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{2k}(n) - n \sigma_{2k-1}(n) + \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{d \mid n} B_{2k+1}(d+1)$
$\sum_{s=1}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-2s-1}(m) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(n-m)$	$= -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k+1}(n) + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k}(n) + n \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-1}(n) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \mid n} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2k}(d+1)$

Corollary 18. Let $n \geq 2$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.14) \quad &\sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-2s-1}(2m) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(2n-2m) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} [4n \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-1}(2n) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2k}(2n) - \tilde{\sigma}_{2k+1}(2n)] - \frac{1}{4} \sigma_{2k+1}^*(2n) \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \mid 2n} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2k}(d+1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Consider the combinatoric convolution sum

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-2s-1}(2m) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(2n-2m) \\
 &= \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{2n-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-2s-1}(m) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(2n-m) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^n \sigma_{2k-2s-1}(2m-1) \sigma_{2s+1}(2n-2m+1).
 \end{aligned}$$

From [10, (15)] and Proposition 6, we obtain (2.14). \square

Lemma 19. *Let $n \geq 3$, $m \geq 2$ and $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Then*

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{2k+1} B_{2k+1}(x) y^{n-(2k+1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (B_n(x+y) - (-1)^n B_n(x-y) - n(2x-1)y^{n-1}). \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor} \binom{m}{2k} E_{2k}(x) y^{m-2k} = \frac{1}{2} (E_m(x+y) + (-1)^m E_m(x-y)) - y^m.$$

Proof. This lemma follows from (1.2), (2.5) and (2.10). \square

Proof of Theorem 8. (a) We note that

$$(2.15) \quad \sigma_{k,0}(2n; 2) = 2^k \sigma_k(n)$$

and

$$(2.16) \quad \binom{l}{a, b, c} = \binom{l}{c} \binom{a+b}{a}.$$

By Proposition 1, (2.15) and (2.16), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & Y_{2l+1}(n, 2q) \\ &:= \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} \left\{ \sum_{s=0}^{l-c-1} \binom{2l-2c}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sigma_{2l-2c-2s-1, 1}(m; 2) \sigma_{2s+1, 1}(n-m; 2) \right\} \\ & \quad \times \sigma_{2c+1, 0}(2q; 2) \\ &= \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} \left[\frac{1}{4} \sigma_{2l-2c+1, 0}(n; 2) + \frac{2^{2l+1-2c-1}}{2l-2c+1} \left(\sum_{\substack{\alpha|n \\ \alpha \text{ odd}}} B_{2l-2c+1}\left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2}\right) \right) \right] \\ & \quad \times 2^{2c+1} \sigma_{2c+1}(q). \end{aligned}$$

Consider the second term of $Y_{2l+1}(n, 2q)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & Y_{2l+1}^{(2)}(n, 2q) \\ &:= 2^{2l+1} \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \left[\frac{(2l+1)!}{(2c+1)!(2l-2c)!} \cdot \frac{1}{2l-2c+1} \sum_{\substack{\alpha|n \\ \alpha \text{ odd}}} B_{2l-2c+1}\left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2}\right) \right] \sigma_{2c+1}(q) \\ &= \frac{2^{2l+1}}{2l+2} \sum_{\substack{\alpha|n \\ \alpha \text{ odd}}} \left[\sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+2}{2c+1} B_{2l-2c+1}\left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2}\right) \sigma_{2c+1}(q) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{2^{2l+1}}{2l+2} \sum_{\substack{\alpha|n \\ \alpha \text{ odd}}} \left[\sum_{d|q} \left(\sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+2}{2c+1} B_{2l-2c+1} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} \right) d^{2c+1} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{2^{2l+1}}{2l+2} \sum_{\substack{\alpha|n \\ \alpha \text{ odd}}} \left[\sum_{d|q} \left(\sum_{c=1}^l \binom{2l+2}{2c+1} B_{2c+1} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} \right) d^{2l-2c+1} \right) \right].
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 19, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&Y_{2l+1}^{(2)}(n, 2q) \\
&= \frac{2^{2l+1}}{2l+2} \sum_{\substack{\alpha|n \\ \alpha \text{ odd}}} \left[\sum_{d|q} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left(B_{2l+2} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} + d \right) - B_{2l+2} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} - d \right) \right) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - (2l+2) \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) d^{2l+1} \right\} \right] \\
&= \frac{2^{2l}}{2l+2} \left[\sum_{\substack{d|q, \alpha|n \\ \alpha \text{ odd}}} \left(B_{2l+2} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} + d \right) - B_{2l+2} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} - d \right) \right) \right] \\
&\quad - 2^{2l} \cdot \sigma_{1,1}(n; 2) \sigma_{2l+1}(q).
\end{aligned}$$

From the binomial theorem we have

$$(2.17) \quad \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} x^{2l-2c+1} y^{2c+1} = \frac{x}{2} \{(x+y)^{2l+1} - (x-y)^{2l+1}\} - xy^{2l+1},$$

and then we obtain

$$Y_{2l+1}^{(1)}(n, 2q) := 2^{2l-1} \sum_{\alpha|\frac{n}{2}, d|q} \alpha \{(\alpha+d)^{2l+1} - (\alpha-d)^{2l+1}\} - 2^{2l} \sum_{\alpha|\frac{n}{2}, d|q} \alpha d^{2l+1}.$$

By the property of Bernoulli polynomial,

$$(2.18) \quad B_n(x+1) - B_n(x) = nx^{n-1},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_{2l+1}^{(1)}(n, 2q) &:= \frac{2^{2l-1}}{2l+2} \sum_{\alpha|\frac{n}{2}, d|q} \alpha \{B_{2l+2}(\alpha+d+1) - B_{2l+2}(\alpha+d) \\
&\quad - B_{2l+2}(\alpha-d+1) + B_{2l+2}(\alpha-d)\} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_1\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \sigma_{2l+1,0}(2q; 2).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_{2l+1}(n, 2q) &= \frac{2^{2l-1}}{2l+2} \sum_{\alpha|\frac{n}{2}, d|q} \alpha \{B_{2l+2}(\alpha+d+1) - B_{2l+2}(\alpha+d) \\
&\quad - B_{2l+2}(\alpha-d+1) + B_{2l+2}(\alpha-d)\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{2^{2l}}{2l+2} \left[\sum_{\substack{d|q, \alpha|n \\ \alpha \text{ odd}}} \left(B_{2l+2} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} + d \right) - B_{2l+2} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} - d \right) \right) \right] \\
& - \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_{1,1}(n; 2) + \sigma_1(\frac{n}{2})) \sigma_{2l+1,0}(2q; 2).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, by Proposition 1, (2.15) and (2.16), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_{2l}(n, 2q) &:= \frac{2^{2l-2}}{2l+1} \sum_{\alpha|\frac{n}{2}, d|q} \alpha \{ B_{2l+1}(\alpha+d+1) - B_{2l+1}(\alpha+d) \\
&\quad + B_{2l+1}(\alpha-d+1) - B_{2l+1}(\alpha-d) \} \\
& + \frac{2^{2l-1}}{2l+1} \left[\sum_{\substack{d|q, \alpha|n \\ \alpha \text{ odd}}} \left(B_{2l+1} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} + d \right) + B_{2l+1} \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{2} - d \right) \right) \right] \\
& - \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_{1,1}(n; 2) + \sigma_1(\frac{n}{2})) \sigma_{2l,0}(2q; 2).
\end{aligned}$$

(b) It is easily checked that $\sigma_s^*(2N) = 2^s \sigma_s^*(N)$. Using the same method in (a), this completes (b).

(c) First, we consider when l is odd. By Proposition 6 and (2.16), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
U_{2l+1}(p, q) &:= \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} \left\{ \sum_{s=0}^{l-c-1} \binom{2l-2c}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{p-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2l-2c-2s-1}(m) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(p-m) \right\} \\
&\quad \times \tilde{\sigma}_{2c+1}(q) \\
&= \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} \left(p \tilde{\sigma}_{2l-2c-1}(p) + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2l-2c}(p) - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2l-2c+1}(p) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha|p} (-1)^{\alpha-1} E_{2l-2c}(\alpha+1) \right) \tilde{\sigma}_{2c+1}(q).
\end{aligned}$$

It is well known that

$$(2.19) \quad \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} x^{2c+1} y^{2l-2c} = \frac{1}{2} ((x+y)^{2l+1} + (x-y)^{2l+1}) - x^{2l+1}$$

and

$$(2.20) \quad 2x^n = E_n(x+1) + E_n(x).$$

From Lemma 19, (2.10), (2.19) and (2.20) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} p \tilde{\sigma}_{2l-2c-1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2c+1}(q) \\
&= \frac{p}{4} \sum_{\alpha|p, d|q} (-1)^{\alpha+d} \frac{1}{\alpha} \{ E_{2l+1}(d+\alpha+1) + E_{2l+1}(d+\alpha) + E_{2l+1}(d-\alpha+1) \}
\end{aligned}$$

$$+ E_{2l+1}(d - \alpha) \} - p\tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(p)\tilde{\sigma}_{2l+1}(q),$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2l-2c}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2c+1}(q) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\alpha|p, d|q} (-1)^{\alpha+d} \{ E_{2l+1}(d + \alpha + 1) + E_{2l+1}(d + \alpha) + E_{2l+1}(d - \alpha + 1) \\ &\quad + E_{2l+1}(d - \alpha) \} - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2l+1}(q) \tilde{\sigma}_0(p), \\ & \quad - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2l-2c+1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2c+1}(q) \\ &= - \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\alpha|p, d|q} (-1)^{\alpha+d} \alpha \{ E_{2l+1}(d + \alpha + 1) + E_{2l+1}(d + \alpha) + E_{2l+1}(d - \alpha + 1) \\ &\quad + E_{2l+1}(d - \alpha) \} + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_1(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2l+1}(q), \\ & \quad - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{c=0}^{l-1} \binom{2l+1}{2c+1} \left(\sum_{\alpha|p} (-1)^{\alpha-1} E_{2l-2c}(\alpha + 1) \right) \tilde{\sigma}_{2c+1}(q) \\ &= - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\alpha|p, d|q} (-1)^{\alpha+d} \{ E_{2l+1}(d + \alpha + 1) + E_{2l+1}(d - \alpha) \} + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_0(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2l+1}(q). \end{aligned}$$

By a routine calculation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} U_{2l+1}(p, q) &= \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{\alpha|p \\ d|q}} \frac{(-1)^{\alpha+d}}{\alpha} [(2p + \alpha - \alpha^2) \{ E_{2l+1}(d + \alpha) + E_{2l+1}(d - \alpha + 1) \} \\ &\quad + (2p - \alpha - \alpha^2) \{ E_{2l+1}(d + \alpha + 1) + E_{2l+1}(d - \alpha) \}] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2l+1}(q) \{ \tilde{\sigma}_1(p) - 2p\tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(p) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, when l is even, we have then the result. \square

Remark 20. In [14, Theorem 3] we recall that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{a+b+c=2l+1 \\ a,b,c \text{ odd}}} a \binom{2l+1}{a,b,c} \sum_{\substack{m_1+m_2+m_3=N \\ m_3 \text{ even}}} (-1)^{m_1+1} \sigma_a^*(m_1) \sigma_b^*(m_2) \sigma_c^*(m_3) \\ &= \frac{(2l+1)N}{32} \{ \sigma_{2l+1}^*(N) - 2N\sigma_{2l-1}^*(N) \} \end{aligned}$$

with $N \geq 4$ and $l \in \mathbb{N}$. Theorem 8 are analogous results of this identity.

3. Proof of second main results: Theorem 9 and Theorem 11

Before proving Theorem 9 we note some easy lemmas for convolution Bernoulli polynomials.

Lemma 21. *Let $m \geq 2$. Then we have*

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \frac{B_{2k+1}(x)}{2k+1} \frac{B_{2m-2k+1}(y)}{2m-2k+1} \\ &= \frac{1}{4m+2} \{(x+y-1)B_{2m+1}(x+y) + (x-y)B_{2m+1}(y-x) \\ &\quad - (2x-1)B_{2m+1}(y) - (2y-1)B_{2m+1}(x)\} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4m+4} \{B_{2m+2}(x+y) - B_{2m+2}(y-x)\}. \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} E_{2k}(x) E_{2m-2k}(y) \\ &= (1-x-y)E_{2m}(x+y) + (x-y)E_{2m}(1-x+y) \\ &\quad - E_{2m}(x) - E_{2m}(y) + E_{2m+1}(x+y) + E_{2m+1}(1-x+y). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. (a) By [5, p. 158], we see that

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1) \quad & \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} \frac{B_{k+1}(x)}{k+1} \frac{B_{m-k+1}(y)}{m-k+1} \\ &= (x+y-1) \frac{B_{m+1}(x+y)}{m+1} - \frac{B_{m+2}(x+y)}{m+2} \\ &\quad - \frac{B_{m+2}(x)}{(m+1)(m+2)} - \frac{B_{m+2}(y)}{(m+1)(m+2)}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3.2) \quad & \sum_{k=0}^m (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \frac{B_{k+1}(x)}{k+1} \frac{B_{m-k+1}(y)}{m-k+1} \\ &= (x-y) \frac{B_{m+1}(y-x)}{m+1} + \frac{B_{m+2}(y-x)}{m+2} \\ &\quad + \frac{B_{m+2}(1-x)}{(m+1)(m+2)} + \frac{B_{m+2}(y)}{(m+1)(m+2)} \end{aligned}$$

with m a positive integer. If we set $m = 2m$ in (3.1) and (3.2), summing for (3.1) and (3.2), the result follows. Using [5, p. 150] or [20, (20)], we see that

$$(3.3) \quad \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} E_k(x) E_{m-k}(y) = 2(1-x-y)E_{2m}(x+y) + 2E_{2m+1}(x+y).$$

Set $x = 1 - x$ in (3.3), and using (2.10), we get

$$\sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} (-1)^k E_k(x) E_{m-k}(y) = 2(x-y) E_{2m}(1-x+y) + 2E_{2m+1}(1-x+y).$$

In a similar way, we get (b). \square

Proof of Theorem 9. It is well known that

$$\begin{aligned} (3.4) \quad & \binom{2m}{2k} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \binom{2m-2k}{2s'+1} \\ &= \frac{(2m)!}{(2s+1)!(2k-2s-1)!(2s'+1)!(2m-2k-2s'-1)!} \\ &= \binom{2m}{2s+1, 2k-2s-1, 2s'+1, 2m-2k-2s'-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now if we set $a = 2s+1$, $b = 2k-2s-1$, $c = 2s'+1$, $d = 2m-2k-2s'-1$ and (1.16) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} (3.5) \quad & \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq p-1, 1 \leq l' \leq q-1 \\ a,b,c,d \text{ odd}, a+b+c+d=2m}} \binom{2m}{a,b,c,d} \sigma_{a,1}(l; 2) \sigma_{b,1}(p-l; 2) \sigma_{c,1}(l'; 2) \sigma_{d,1}(q-l'; 2) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \left\{ \sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{l=1}^{p-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(l; 2) \sigma_{2s+1,1}(p-l; 2) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \sum_{s'=0}^{m-k-1} \binom{2m-2k}{2s'+1} \sum_{l'=1}^{q-1} \sigma_{2m-2k-2s'-1,1}(l'; 2) \sigma_{2s'+1,1}(q-l'; 2) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, from Proposition 1, we consider 4 terms in (3.5) below:

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 &:= \sum_{\substack{d|p, d'|q \\ d, d' \text{ odd}}} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} 2^{2m} \frac{B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right)}{2k+1} \cdot \frac{B_{2m-2k+1}\left(\frac{d'+1}{2}\right)}{2m-2k+1}, \\ C_2 &:= \frac{1}{16} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \sigma_{2k+1,0}(p; 2) \sigma_{2m-2k+1,0}(q; 2), \\ C_3 &:= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} 2^{2m-2k} \sigma_{2k+1,0}(p; 2) \sum_{\substack{d'|q \\ d' \text{ odd}}} \frac{B_{2m-2k+1}\left(\frac{d'+1}{2}\right)}{2m-2k+1}, \\ C_4 &:= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} 2^{2k} \sigma_{2m-2k+1,0}(q; 2) \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d \text{ odd}}} \frac{B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right)}{2k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, first, we consider C_1 . Set $x = (d+1)/2$ and $y = (d'+1)/2$ in Lemma 21. Then we have

$$(3.6) \quad C_1 = \frac{2^{2m-2}}{2m+1} \sum_{\substack{d|p, d'|q \\ d, d' \text{ odd}}} \left\{ (d+d')B_{2m+1}\left(\frac{d+d'}{2} + 1\right) + (d-d')B_{2m+1}\left(\frac{d'-d}{2}\right) \right. \\ \left. - 2dB_{2m+1}\left(\frac{d'+1}{2}\right) - 2d'B_{2m+1}\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) \right\} \\ - \frac{2^{2m-2}}{m+1} \sum_{\substack{d|p, d'|q \\ d, d' \text{ odd}}} \left\{ B_{2m+2}\left(\frac{d+d'}{2} + 1\right) - B_{2m+2}\left(\frac{d'-d}{2}\right) \right\}.$$

Second, we consider C_2 . Using the binomial theorem, the equation (2.15) and the difference formula of Bernoulli polynomials, then we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} d^{2k+1} d'^{2m-2k+1} = \frac{dd'}{2} \{(d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m}\} - dd'^{2m+1} - d^{2m+1} d',$$

$$(3.7) \quad C_2 = 2^{2m-2} \sum_{d|\frac{p}{2}, d'|\frac{q}{2}} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} d^{2k+1} d'^{2m-2k+1} \\ = 2^{2m-3} \sum_{d|\frac{p}{2}, d'|\frac{q}{2}} dd' \left\{ (d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m} - 2d'^{2m} - 2d^{2m} \right\} \\ = \frac{2^{2m-3}}{2m+1} \sum_{\substack{d|\frac{p}{2} \\ d'|\frac{q}{2}}} dd' \{ B_{2m+1}(d+d'+1) - B_{2m+1}(d+d') + B_{2m+1}(d-d'+1) \right. \\ \left. - B_{2m+1}(d-d') \} - \frac{1}{16} \{ \sigma_{2m+1,0}(p; 2) \sigma_{1,0}(q; 2) + \sigma_{1,0}(p; 2) \sigma_{2m+1,0}(q; 2) \}.$$

To find a formula of C_3 , we need an addition formula of Bernoulli polynomials in (1.2).

$$C_3 = \frac{2^{2m-1}}{2m+1} \sum_{\substack{d|\frac{p}{2}, d'|q, \\ d' \text{ odd}}} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m+1}{2k} d^{2k+1} B_{2m-2k+1}\left(\frac{d'+1}{2}\right) \\ = \frac{2^{2m-1}}{2m+1} \sum_{\substack{d|\frac{p}{2}, d'|q, \\ d' \text{ odd}}} d \left[\sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m+1}{2k+1} B_{2k+1}\left(\frac{d'+1}{2}\right) d^{2m+1-(2k+1)} \right].$$

Using the formula

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m+1}{2k+1} B_{2k+1}(x) y^{2m+1-(2k+1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (B_{2m+1}(x+y) + B_{2m+1}(x-y) - (2m+1)(2x-1)y^{2m} - 2B_{2m+1}(x)) \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} C_3 &= \frac{2^{2m-2}}{2m+1} \sum_{\substack{d \mid \frac{p}{2}, d' \mid q \\ d' \text{ odd}}} d \left[B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d'+1+2d}{2} \right) + B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d'+1-2d}{2} \right) \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{2^{2m-2}}{2m+1} \sigma_{1,0}(p; 2) \sum_{\substack{d' \mid q \\ d' \text{ odd}}} B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d'+1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{8} \sigma_{2m+1,0}(p; 2) \sigma_{1,1}(q; 2). \end{aligned}$$

Since C_4 is a symmetric form of C_3 , we deduce

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} C_4 &= \frac{2^{2m-2}}{2m+1} \sum_{\substack{d' \mid \frac{q}{2}, d \mid p \\ d \text{ odd}}} d' \left[B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d+1+2d'}{2} \right) + B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d+1-2d'}{2} \right) \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{2^{2m-2}}{2m+1} \sigma_{1,0}(q; 2) \sum_{\substack{d \mid p \\ d \text{ odd}}} B_{2m+1} \left(\frac{d+1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{8} \sigma_{2m+1,0}(q; 2) \sigma_{1,1}(p; 2). \end{aligned}$$

Summing C_i ($i = 1, \dots, 4$), we derive the theorem. \square

Remark 22. For a positive $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{1\}$, let $S_{a,b}^k(n) := b^k + (a+b)^k + (2a+b)^k + \dots + (a(n-1)+b)^k$. We recall [1, (11)] that

$$(3.10) \quad S_{a,b}^k(n) = \frac{a^k}{k+1} \left(\left[B_{k+1}(n + \frac{b}{a}) - B_{k+1} \right] - \left[B_{k+1}(\frac{b}{a}) - B_{k+1} \right] \right).$$

By (3.10), (1.9) and Example 10, we have

$$\sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{m=1}^{p-1} \sigma_{2k-2s-1,1}(m; 2) \sigma_{2s+1,1}(p-m; 2) = S_{2,0}^{2k}(\frac{p+1}{2})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l, l' \leq p-1 \\ a, b, c, d \text{ odd}}} \binom{2m}{a, b, c, d} \sigma_{a,1}(l; 2) \sigma_{b,1}(p-l; 2) \sigma_{c,1}(l'; 2) \sigma_{d,1}(p-l'; 2) \\ &= \frac{p}{2} S_{2,0}^{2m}(p+1) - p S_{2,0}^{2m}(\frac{p+1}{2}) - \frac{1}{4} S_{2,0}^{2m+1}(p+1) \end{aligned}$$

with p an odd prime integer.

Proof of Theorem 11. By (3.4) and Proposition 6, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq p-1, 1 \leq l' \leq q-1 \\ a,b,c,d \text{ odd} \\ a+b+c+d=2m}} \binom{2m}{a,b,c,d} \tilde{\sigma}_a(l) \tilde{\sigma}_b(p-l) \tilde{\sigma}_c(l') \tilde{\sigma}_d(q-l') \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \left(\sum_{s=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2s+1} \sum_{l=1}^{p-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-2s-1}(l) \tilde{\sigma}_{2s+1}(p-l) \right) \\
&\quad \times \left(\sum_{s'=0}^{m-k-1} \binom{2m-2k}{2s'+1} \sum_{l'=1}^{q-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k-2s'-1}(l') \tilde{\sigma}_{2s'+1}(q-l') \right) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k+1}(p) + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k}(p) + p \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-1}(p) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2k}(d+1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. \times \left(-\frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k+1}(q) + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k}(q) + q \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k-1}(q) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} E_{2m-2k}(d'+1) \right) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

We consider the sum

$$D_1 := \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d-1} (-1)^{d'-1} E_{2k}(d+1) E_{2m-2k}(d'+1)$$

by Lemma 21(b) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
D_1 &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \left\{ -(d+d'+1) E_{2m}(d+d'+2) + (d-d') E_{2m}(d'-d+1) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - E_{2m}(d+1) - E_{2m}(d'+1) + E_{2m+1}(d+d'+2) + E_{2m+1}(d'-d+1) \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Here, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} E_{2m}(d+1) &= \left(\sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} \cdot 1 \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2m}(d+1) \right) \\
&= \tilde{\sigma}_0(q) \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2m}(d+1).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$D_1 = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \left\{ -(d+d'+1) E_{2m}(d+d'+2) + (d-d') E_{2m}(d'-d+1) \right.$$

$$+ E_{2m+1}(d + d' + 2) + E_{2m+1}(d' - d + 1)\}$$

$$- \frac{1}{4} \tilde{\sigma}_0(q) \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2m}(d+1) - \frac{1}{4} \tilde{\sigma}_0(p) \sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} E_{2m}(d'+1).$$

By the same method in Theorem 8(c) and Theorem 9, we derive the following 15 terms in (3.11) below:

$$\begin{aligned} D_2 &:= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k+1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k+1}(q) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} dd' \{(d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m}\} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4} \{\tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_1(q) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(q) \tilde{\sigma}_1(p)\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_3 &:= - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k+1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k}(q) \\ &= - \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} d \{(d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m}\} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4} \{\tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_0(q) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(q) \tilde{\sigma}_1(p)\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_4 &:= - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} q \tilde{\sigma}_{2k+1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k-1}(q) \\ &= - \frac{q}{4} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \frac{d}{d'} \{(d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m}\} \\ &\quad + \frac{q}{2} \{\tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(q) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(q) \tilde{\sigma}_1(p)\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_5 &:= - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k+1}(q) \\ &= - \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} d' \{(d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m}\} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4} \{\tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(q) \tilde{\sigma}_0(p) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_1(q)\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$D_6 := \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k}(q)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \left\{ (d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m} \right\} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(p)\tilde{\sigma}_0(q) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(q)\tilde{\sigma}_0(p) \right\}, \\
D_7 &:= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} q \tilde{\sigma}_{2k}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k-1}(q) \\
&= \frac{q}{4} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \frac{1}{d'} \left\{ (d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m} \right\} \\
&\quad - \frac{q}{2} \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(p)\tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(q) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(q)\tilde{\sigma}_0(p) \right\}, \\
D_8 &:= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} p \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k+1}(q) \\
&= -\frac{p}{4} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \frac{d'}{d} \left\{ (d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m} \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{p}{2} \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(q)\tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(p) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(p)\tilde{\sigma}_1(q) \right\}, \\
D_9 &:= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} p \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k}(q) \\
&= \frac{p}{4} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \frac{1}{d} \left\{ (d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m} \right\} \\
&\quad - \frac{p}{2} \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(q)\tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(p) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(p)\tilde{\sigma}_0(q) \right\}, \\
D_{10} &:= \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} p \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-1}(p) q \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k-1}(q) \\
&= \frac{pq}{2} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \frac{1}{dd'} \left\{ (d+d')^{2m} + (d-d')^{2m} \right\} \\
&\quad - pq \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(p)\tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(q) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(q)\tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(p) \right\}, \\
D_{11} &:= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k+1}(p) E_{2m-2k}(d'+1) \\
&= \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} d \left\{ E_{2m}(d+d'+1) + E_{2m}(d'-d+1) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{4} \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_1(p) \sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} E_{2m}(d' + 1) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_0(q) \right\}, \\
D_{12} &:= -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} \tilde{\sigma}_{2k}(p) E_{2m-2k}(d' + 1) \\
&= -\frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \{ E_{2m}(d + d' + 1) + E_{2m}(d' - d + 1) \} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_0(p) \sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} E_{2m}(d' + 1) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_0(q) \right\}, \\
D_{13} &:= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} p \tilde{\sigma}_{2k-1}(p) E_{2m-2k}(d' + 1) \\
&= -\frac{p}{4} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \frac{1}{d} \{ E_{2m}(d + d' + 1) + E_{2m}(d' - d + 1) \} \\
&\quad + \frac{p}{2} \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_{-1}(p) \sum_{d'|q} (-1)^{d'-1} E_{2m}(d' + 1) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(p) \tilde{\sigma}_0(q) \right\}, \\
D_{14} &:= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2k}(d + 1) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k+1}(q) \\
&= \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \{ E_{2m}(d + d' + 1) + E_{2m}(d - d' + 1) \} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_1(q) \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2m}(d + 1) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m+1}(q) \tilde{\sigma}_0(p) \right\}, \\
D_{15} &:= -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2k}(d + 1) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k}(q) \\
&= -\frac{1}{8} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d'|q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \{ E_{2m}(d + d' + 1) + E_{2m}(d - d' + 1) \} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \tilde{\sigma}_0(q) \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2m}(d + 1) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m}(q) \tilde{\sigma}_0(p) \right\}, \\
D_{16} &:= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \binom{2m}{2k} \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} q E_{2k}(d + 1) \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-2k-1}(q)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -\frac{q}{4} \sum_{\substack{d|p \\ d' \nmid q}} (-1)^{d+d'} \frac{1}{d'} \{E_{2m}(d+d'+1) + E_{2m}(d-d'+1)\} \\
&\quad + \frac{q}{2} \{\sigma_{-1}(q) \sum_{d|p} (-1)^{d-1} E_{2m}(d+1) + \tilde{\sigma}_{2m-1}(q) \tilde{\sigma}_0(p)\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Summing D_i ($i = 1, \dots, 16$), and then use (2.20), we derive the theorem. \square

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