

ON DEGENERATE CENTRAL COMPLETE BELL POLYNOMIALS

*Dedicated to Academician Professor Gradimir Milovanović
on the occasion of his 70th birthday.*

Taekyun Kim, Dae San Kim, Gwan-Woo Jang*

In this paper, we consider of generalized central complete and incomplete Bell polynomials called degenerate central complete and incomplete Bell polynomials. These polynomials are generalizations of the recently introduced central complete Bell polynomials and ‘degenerate’ analogues for the central complete and incomplete Bell polynomials. We investigate some properties and identities for these polynomials. Especially, we give explicit formulas for the degenerate central complete and incomplete Bell polynomials related to degenerate central factorial numbers of the second kind.

1. Introduction and preliminaries

The Stirling numbers of the second kind are given by

$$(1) \quad \frac{1}{k!}(e^t - 1)^k = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_2(n, k) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see [4, 5, 7, 8, 13, 14]}).$$

*Corresponding author. Taekyun Kim
2010 Mathematics Subject Classification. Primary 11B83; Secondary 11B75.
Keywords and Phrases. degenerate central complete Bell polynomials,
degenerate central incomplete Bell polynomials

It is well known that the Bell polynomials (also called Tocharid polynomials or exponential polynomials) are defined by

$$(2) \quad e^{x(e^t-1)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see [1, 5, 9, 10, 12, 16]}).$$

From (1) and (2), we note that

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} B_n(x) &= e^{-x} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^n}{k!} x^k \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n x^k S_2(n, k), \quad (n \geq 0), \quad (\text{see [2, 4, 5]}). \end{aligned}$$

When $x = 1$, $B_n = B_n(1)$ are called Bell numbers.

The (exponential) incomplete Bell polynomials (also called (exponential) partial Bell polynomials) are defined by the generating function

$$(4) \quad \frac{1}{k!} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} x_m \frac{t^m}{m!} \right)^k = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} B_{n,k}(x_1, \dots, x_{n-k+1}) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (k \geq 0), \quad (\text{see [12, 16]}).$$

Thus, by (4), we get

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} B_{n,k}(x_1, \dots, x_{n-k+1}) &= \sum \frac{n!}{i_1! i_2! \dots i_{n-k+1}!} \left(\frac{x_1}{1!} \right)^{i_1} \left(\frac{x_2}{2!} \right)^{i_2} \times \dots \\ &\quad \times \left(\frac{x_{n-k+1}}{(n-k+1)!} \right)^{i_{n-k+1}}, \end{aligned}$$

where the summation is over all integers $i_1, \dots, i_{n-k+1} \geq 0$ such that $i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_{n-k+1} = k$ and $i_1 + 2i_2 + \dots + (n-k+1)i_{n-k+1} = n$.

From (1) and (4), we note that

$$(6) \quad B_{n,k}(\underbrace{1, 1, \dots, 1}_{n-k+1\text{-times}}) = S_2(n, k), \quad (n, k \geq 0).$$

By (5), we easily get

$$(7) \quad B_{n,k}(\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, \dots, \alpha x_{n-k+1}) = \alpha^k B_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1})$$

and

$$(8) \quad B_{n,k}(\alpha x_1, \alpha^2 x_2, \dots, \alpha^{n-k+1} x_{n-k+1}) = \alpha^n B_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}),$$

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ (see [12, 14]).

It is known that the central factorial numbers of the second kind are given by

$$(9) \quad \frac{1}{k!} (e^{\frac{t}{2}} - e^{-\frac{t}{2}})^k = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T(n, k) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see [3, 9, 11]}),$$

where $k \geq 0$.

From (9), we can derive the following equation

$$(10) \quad T(n, k) = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} (-1)^{k-j} (j - \frac{k}{2})^n,$$

where $n, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $n \geq k \geq 0$, (see [8, 9, 11]).

In [12], the central Bell polynomials $B_n^{(c)}(x)$ are defined by

$$(11) \quad B_n^{(c)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n T(n, k) x^k, \quad (n \geq 0).$$

When $x = 1$, $B_n^{(c)} = B_n^{(c)}(1)$ are called the central Bell numbers.

For $n \geq 0$, the Stirling numbers of the first kind are given by

$$(12) \quad \frac{1}{k!} (\log(1+t))^k = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_1(n, k) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see [1-16, 19]}).$$

For $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, we define the degenerate exponential function as follows:

$$(13) \quad e_{\lambda}^x(t) = (1 + \lambda t)^{\frac{x}{\lambda}}, \quad (\text{see [2, 14]}).$$

Note that $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} e_{\lambda}^x(t) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} (1 + \lambda t)^{\frac{x}{\lambda}} = e^{xt}$. It is known that the degenerate Bell polynomials (also called degenerate Tochar polynomials or degenerate exponential polynomials) are defined by

$$(14) \quad e^{x(e_{\lambda}(t)-1)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,\lambda}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see [15]}),$$

where $e_{\lambda}(t) = e_{\lambda}^1(t)$.

When $x = 1$, $B_{n,\lambda} = B_{n,\lambda}(1)$ are called the degenerate Bell numbers.

The degenerate incomplete Bell polynomials (also called degenerate partial Bell polynomials) are defined by the generating function (see [9])

$$(15) \quad \frac{1}{k!} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} x_m(1)_{m,\lambda} \frac{t^m}{m!} \right)^k = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} B_{n,k}(x_1, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!},$$

where k is a non-negative integer and $(x)_{m,\lambda}$ is the degenerate falling factorial sequence given by

$$(16) \quad (x)_{0,\lambda} = 1, \quad (x)_{n,\lambda} = x(x-\lambda)\cdots(x-(n-1)\lambda), \quad (n \geq 1).$$

Now, we define the degenerate rising factorial sequence as follows:

$$(17) \quad \langle x \rangle_{0,\lambda} = 1, \quad \langle x \rangle_{n,\lambda} = x(x+\lambda)\cdots(x+(n-1)\lambda), \quad (n \geq 1).$$

Note that $(-x)_{m,\lambda} = (-1)^m \langle x \rangle_{m,\lambda}$.

From (15), we note that

$$(18) \quad B_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda) = \sum \frac{n!}{i_1! i_2! \cdots i_{n-k+1}!} \left(\frac{x_1(1)_{1,\lambda}}{1!} \right)^{i_1} \\ \times \left(\frac{x_2(1)_{2,\lambda}}{2!} \right)^{i_2} \times \cdots \times \left(\frac{x_{n-k+1}(1)_{n-k+1,\lambda}}{(n-k+1)!} \right)^{i_{n-k+1}},$$

where the summation is over all integers $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{n-k+1} \geq 0$, such that $i_1 + i_2 + \cdots + i_{n-k+1} = k$ and $i_1 + 2i_2 + \cdots + (n-k+1)i_{n-k+1} = n$.

It is known that the degenerate Stirling numbers of the second kind are defined by

$$(19) \quad \frac{1}{k!} (e_\lambda(t) - 1)^k = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{2,\lambda}(n, k) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (k \geq 0), \quad (\text{see [8]}).$$

From (15) and (19), we note that

$$(20) \quad B_{n,k}(\underbrace{1, 1, \dots, 1}_{n-k+1\text{-times}} | \lambda) = S_{2,\lambda}(n, k), \quad (n, k \geq 0).$$

By (18), we easily get

$$B_{n,k}(\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, \dots, \alpha x_{n-k+1} | \lambda) = \alpha^k B_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda),$$

and

$$B_{n,k}(\alpha x_1, \alpha^2 x_2, \dots, \alpha^{n-k+1} x_{n-k+1} | \lambda) = \alpha^n B_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda),$$

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.

The degenerate complete Bell polynomials are defined by

$$(21) \quad \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i(1)_{i,\lambda} \frac{t^i}{i!}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

Then, by (15) and (21), we get

$$(22) \quad B_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n B_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda).$$

From (22), we note that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (23) \quad B_n(x, x, \dots, x|\lambda) &= \sum_{k=0}^n x^k B_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1|\lambda) \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^n x^k S_{2,\lambda}(n, k) = B_{n,\lambda}(x), \quad (n \geq 0).
 \end{aligned}$$

Recently, the degenerate central factorial numbers of the second kind are defined by

$$(24) \quad \frac{1}{k!} (e_{\lambda}^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) - e_{\lambda}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(t))^k = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{2,\lambda}(n, k) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see [11]}),$$

where k is a non-negative integer.

From (24), we have

$$(25) \quad T_{2,\lambda}(n, k) = \sum_{m=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{k!} \sum_{l=0}^k \binom{k}{l} (-1)^{k-l} \left(l - \frac{k}{2}\right)^m \right) \lambda^{n-m} S_1(n, m),$$

where $n, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $n \geq k \geq 0$, (see [11]).

The degenerate central Bell polynomials are given by

$$(26) \quad e^{x(e_{\lambda}^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) - e_{\lambda}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(t))} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,\lambda}^{(c)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

Thus, by (24) and (26), we get

$$(27) \quad B_{n,\lambda}^{(c)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n T_{2,\lambda}(n, k) x^k, \quad (n \geq 0).$$

When $x = 1$, $B_{n,\lambda}^{(c)} = B_{n,\lambda}^{(c)}(1)$ are called the degenerate central Bell numbers.

Recently, *central incomplete Bell polynomials* which are given by

$$(28) \quad \frac{1}{k!} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^m} (x_m - (-1)^m x_m) \frac{t^m}{m!} \right)^k = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}) \frac{t^n}{n!},$$

where $k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$.

For $n, k \geq 0$ with $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, by (4) and (5), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (29) \quad T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}) &= \sum \frac{n!}{i_1! i_2! \dots i_{n-k+1}!} \left(\frac{x_1}{1!}\right)^{i_1} \left(\frac{0}{2 \cdot 2!}\right)^{i_2} \\
 &\quad \times \left(\frac{x_3}{2^2 \cdot 3!}\right)^{i_3} \dots \left(\frac{x_{n-k+1}}{2^{n-k} (n-k+1)!}\right)^{i_{n-k+1}},
 \end{aligned}$$

where the summation is over all integers $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{n-k+1} \geq 0$ such that $i_1 + \dots + i_{n-k+1} = k$ and $i_1 + 2i_2 + \dots + (n-k+1)i_{n-k+1} = n$.

From (5) and (29), we note that

$$(30) \quad T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}) = B_{n,k}(x_1, 0, \frac{x_3}{2^2}, 0, \dots, \frac{x_{n-k+1}}{2^{n-k}}),$$

where $n, k \geq 0$ with $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $n \geq k$.

In this article, we consider the degenerate central incomplete Bell polynomials $T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}|\lambda)$ given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{k!} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} x_m \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{m,\lambda} - (-1)^m \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{m,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^m}{m!} \right)^k \\ & = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}|\lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see (16), (17)}), \end{aligned}$$

and the degenerate central complete Bell polynomials $B_n^{(c)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n|\lambda)$ given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^i}{i!} \right) \\ & = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n^{(c)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n|\lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

and investigate some properties and identities for these polynomials.

Note that $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}|\lambda) = T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1})$ and $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} B_n^{(c)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n|\lambda) = B_n^{(c)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$.

So, they are degenerate versions of the central complete and incomplete Bell polynomials. They are also viewed as 'central' analogues for degenerate complete and incomplete Bell polynomials (see [9]), which are motivated by (15) and (21). Finally, we would like to mention the recent related papers [17,18] for the interested readers.

2. On degenerate central complete and incomplete Bell polynomials

In view of (15), we consider the degenerate central incomplete Bell polynomials given by

$$(31) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{k!} \left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} x_m \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{m,\lambda} - (-1)^m \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{m,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^m}{m!} \right)^k \\ & = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}|\lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \end{aligned}$$

where k is a non-negative integer.

For $n, k \geq 0$ with $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, by (31), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda) &= \sum \frac{n!}{i_1! i_2! \dots i_{n-k+1}!} \\
 (32) \quad &\times \left(\frac{x_1 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{1,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{1,\lambda} \right)}{1!} \right)^{i_1} \left(\frac{x_2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{2,\lambda} - \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{2,\lambda} \right)}{2!} \right)^{i_2} \times \dots \\
 &\times \left(\frac{x_{n-k+1} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n-k+1,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{n-k+1,\lambda} \right)}{(n-k+1)!} \right)^{i_{n-k+1}},
 \end{aligned}$$

where the summation is over all integers $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{n-k+1} \geq 0$ such that $i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_{n-k+1} = k$ and $i_1 + 2i_2 + \dots + (n - k + 1)i_{n-k+1} = n$.

From (32), we can derive the following equation (33).

For $n, k \geq 0$ with $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda) \\
 (33) \quad &= B_{n,k} \left(x_1 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{1,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{1,\lambda} \right), x_2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{2,\lambda} - \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{2,\lambda} \right), \dots, x_{n-k+1} \right. \\
 &\left. \times \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n-k+1,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{n-k+1,\lambda} \right) \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Here $B_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1})$ are the incomplete Bell polynomials which are defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}) &= \sum \frac{n!}{i_1! i_2! \dots i_{n-k+1}!} \left(\frac{x_1}{1!} \right)^{i_1} \\
 (34) \quad &\times \left(\frac{x_2}{2!} \right)^{i_2} \times \dots \times \left(\frac{x_{n-k+1}}{(n-k+1)!} \right)^{i_{n-k+1}},
 \end{aligned}$$

where the summation is over all integers $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{n-k+1} \geq 0$ such that $i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_{n-k+1} = k$ and $i_1 + 2i_2 + \dots + (n - k + 1)i_{n-k+1} = n$.

Therefore, by (33) and (34), we obtain the following lemma.

Lemma 1. For $n, k \geq 0$ with $n \geq k$ and $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda) &= B_{n,k} \left(x_1 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{1,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{1,\lambda} \right), x_2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{2,\lambda} \right. \right. \\
 &\left. \left. - \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{2,\lambda} \right), \dots, x_{n-k+1} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n-k+1,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{n-k+1,\lambda} \right) \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $n, k \geq 0$ with $n \geq k$ with $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$. Then, by (31), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{n,k}(x, x^2, \dots, x^{n-k+1}|\lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} \\
 (35) \quad &= \frac{1}{k!} \left(x \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \right)_{1,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{1,\lambda} \right) t + x^2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \right)_{2,\lambda} - \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{2,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^2}{2!} + \dots \right)^k \\
 &= \frac{1}{k!} \left(e_{\lambda}^{\frac{1}{2}}(xt) - e_{\lambda}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(xt) \right)^k = \frac{1}{k!} e_{\lambda}^{-\frac{k}{2}}(xt) \left(e_{\lambda}(xt) - 1 \right)^k \\
 &= \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{l=0}^k \binom{k}{l} (-1)^{k-l} e_{\lambda}^{(l-\frac{k}{2})}(xt) = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{l=0}^k \binom{k}{l} (-1)^{k-l} \\
 &\quad \times e^{\frac{1}{\lambda}(l-\frac{k}{2}) \log(1+\lambda xt)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{l=0}^k \binom{k}{l} (-1)^{k-l} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{-m} \left(l - \frac{k}{2} \right)^m \frac{1}{m!} (\log(1 + \lambda xt))^m \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{m=0}^n \left(\frac{x^n}{k!} \sum_{l=0}^k \binom{k}{l} (-1)^{k-l} \left(l - \frac{k}{2} \right)^m \right) \lambda^{n-m} S_1(n, m) \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by comparing the coefficients on both sides of (35), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 2. For $n, k \geq 0$ with $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{m=0}^n \left(\frac{x^n}{k!} \sum_{l=0}^k \binom{k}{l} (-1)^{k-l} \left(l - \frac{k}{2} \right)^m \right) \lambda^{n-m} S_1(n, m) \\
 &= \begin{cases} T_{n,k}(x, x^2, \dots, x^{n-k+1}|\lambda), & \text{if } n \geq k, \\ 0, & \text{if } n < k. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{m=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{k!} \sum_{l=0}^k \binom{k}{l} (-1)^{k-l} \left(l - \frac{k}{2} \right)^m \right) \lambda^{n-m} S_1(n, m) \\
 &= \begin{cases} T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1|\lambda), & \text{if } n \geq k, \\ 0, & \text{if } n < k. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

For $n, k \geq 0$ with $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $n \geq k$, by (24) and (31), we get

$$(36) \quad T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1|\lambda) = T_{2,\lambda}(n, k).$$

Therefore, by (36), we obtain the following corollary.

Corollary 3. For $n, k \geq 0$ with $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $n \geq k$, we have

$$T_{n,k}(x, x^2, \dots, x^{n-k+1}|\lambda) = x^n T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1|\lambda) = x^n T_{2,\lambda}(n, k),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{2,\lambda}(n, k) &= T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1|\lambda) = \sum \frac{n!}{i_1!i_2! \cdots i_{n-k+1}!} \\
 &\times \left(\frac{(\frac{1}{2})_{1,\lambda} + \langle \frac{1}{2} \rangle_{1,\lambda}}{1!}\right)^{i_1} \left(\frac{(\frac{1}{2})_{2,\lambda} - \langle \frac{1}{2} \rangle_{2,\lambda}}{2!}\right)^{i_2} \times \cdots \\
 &\times \left(\frac{(\frac{1}{2})_{n-k+1,\lambda} + \langle \frac{1}{2} \rangle_{n-k+1,\lambda}}{(n-k+1)!}\right)^{i_{n-k+1}},
 \end{aligned}$$

where the summation is over all integers $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{n-k+1} \geq 0$ such that $i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_{n-k+1} = k$ and $i_1 + 2i_2 + \dots + (n-k+1)i_{n-k+1} = n$.

For $n, k \geq 0$ with $n \geq k$ and $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, we note from (35) that

$$(37) \quad \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{n,k}(x, 0, 0, \dots, 0|\lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{1}{k!} (xt)^k.$$

Thus, by (37), we get

$$T_{n,k}(x, 0, 0, \dots, 0|\lambda) = x^k \binom{0}{n-k}.$$

From (32), we have

$$(38) \quad T_{n,k}(x, x, \dots, x|\lambda) = x^k T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1|\lambda),$$

and

$$(39) \quad T_{n,k}(\alpha x_1, \alpha x_2, \dots, \alpha x_{n-k+1}|\lambda) = \alpha^k T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}|\lambda),$$

where $n, k \geq 0$ with $n - k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ and $n \geq k$.

Now, we observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \langle \frac{1}{2} \rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right) \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \langle \frac{1}{2} \rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right)^k \\
 (40) \quad &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \langle \frac{1}{2} \rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right)^k \\
 &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}|\lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} \\
 &= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1}|\lambda)\right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.
 \end{aligned}$$

In view of (21), we define the degenerate central complete Bell polynomials by

$$(41) \quad \begin{aligned} & \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n^{(c)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

From (40) and (41), we have

$$(42) \quad B_n^{(c)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda),$$

By (36) and (42), we get

$$(43) \quad \begin{aligned} B_n^{(c)}(x, x, \dots, x | \lambda) &= \sum_{k=0}^n T_{n,k}(\underbrace{x, x, \dots, x}_{n-k+1 \text{ times}} | \lambda) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n x^k T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1 | \lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n x^k T_{2,\lambda}(n, k) \\ &= B_{n,\lambda}^{(c)}(x). \end{aligned}$$

From (40), we note that

$$(44) \quad \begin{aligned} & \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right)^n \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{1!} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2!} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right)^2 \\ &+ \frac{1}{3!} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right)^3 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{m_1+2m_2+\dots+nm_n=n} \frac{n!}{m_1!m_2!\dots m_n!} \right. \\ &\times \left. \left(\frac{x_1 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{1,\lambda} - (-1)^1 \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{1,\lambda}\right)}{1!}\right)^{m_1} \left(\frac{x_2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{2,\lambda} - (-1)^2 \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{2,\lambda}\right)}{2!}\right)^{m_2} \times \dots \right. \\ &\times \left. \left(\frac{x_n \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n,\lambda} - (-1)^n \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{n,\lambda}\right)}{n!}\right)^{m_n} \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \end{aligned}$$

where the sum is over all nonnegative integers m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n such that $m_1 + 2m_2 + \dots + nm_n = n$.

Now, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, by (41) and (44), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_n^{(c)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \lambda) &= \sum_{k=1}^n T_{n,k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-k+1} | \lambda) \\
 &= \sum_{m_1+2m_2+\dots+nm_n=n} \frac{n!}{m_1!m_2!\dots m_n!} \\
 (45) \quad &\times \left(\frac{x_1 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{1,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{1,\lambda} \right)}{1!} \right)^{m_1} \left(\frac{x_2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{2,\lambda} - \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{2,\lambda} \right)}{2!} \right)^{m_2} \times \dots \\
 &\times \left(\frac{x_n \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{n,\lambda} \right)}{n!} \right)^{m_n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (45), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 4. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_n^{(c)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \lambda) &= \sum_{m_1+2m_2+\dots+nm_n=n} \frac{n!}{m_1!m_2!\dots m_n!} \\
 &\times \left(\frac{x_1 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{1,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{1,\lambda} \right)}{1!} \right)^{m_1} \left(\frac{x_2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{2,\lambda} - \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{2,\lambda} \right)}{2!} \right)^{m_2} \times \dots \\
 &\times \left(\frac{x_n \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n,\lambda} + \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{n,\lambda} \right)}{n!} \right)^{m_n},
 \end{aligned}$$

where the sum is over all nonnegative integers m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n such that $m_1 + 2m_2 + \dots + nm_n = n$.

We observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\exp\left(x \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right) \\
 &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^i}{i!} \right)^k \\
 (46) \quad &= 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^k \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1 | \lambda) \frac{t^n}{n!} \\
 &= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n x^k T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1 | \lambda) \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$(47) \quad \exp\left(x \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{i,\lambda} - (-1)^i \left\langle \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_{i,\lambda}\right) \frac{t^i}{i!}\right) = e^{x\left(e_{\lambda}^{\frac{1}{2}}(t) - e_{\lambda}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(t)\right)} \\ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_{n,\lambda}^{(c)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$

Therefore, by (46) and (47), we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 5. For $n, k \geq 0$ with $n \geq k$, we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^n x^k T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1|\lambda) = B_{n,\lambda}^{(c)}(x).$$

By **Theorem 5**, we easily get

$$(48) \quad \sum_{k=0}^n x^k T_{n,k}(1, 1, \dots, 1|\lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^n T_{n,k}(x, x, \dots, x|\lambda) = B_n^{(c)}(x, x, \dots, x|\lambda).$$

Corollary 6. For $n \geq 0$, we have

$$B_n^{(c)}(x, x, \dots, x|\lambda) = B_{n,\lambda}^{(c)}(x).$$

Acknowledgements. The authors thank the referees for their helpful suggestions and comments which improved the original manuscript greatly.

REFERENCES

1. S. Bouroubi, M. Abbas, *New identities for Bell's polynomials. New approaches*, Rostock. Math. Kolloq. 61 (2006), 49–55.
2. L. Carlitz, *Some remarks on the Bell numbers*, Fibonacci Quart. 18 (1980), no. 1, 66–73.
3. L. Carlitz, J. Riordan, *Degenerate Stirling, Bernoulli and Eulerian numbers*. Utilitas Math. 15 (1979), 51–88
4. L. Comtet, *Advanced Combinatorics: the art of finite and infinite expansions (translated from the French by J. W. Nienhuys)*, Dordrecht and Boston:Reidel, 1974.
5. D. S. Kim, T. Kim, *On degenerate Bell numbers and polynomials*, Rev. R. Acad. Cienc. Exactas Fis. Nat. Ser. A Math. RACSAM 111 (2017), no. 2, 435–446.
6. D. S. Kim, T. Kim, *Some identities of Bell polynomials*, Sci. China Math. 58 (2015), no. 10, 2095–2104.

7. D. S. Kim, J. Kwon, D. V. Dolgy, T. Kim, *On central Fubini polynomials associated with central factorial numbers of the second kind*, Proc. Jangjeon Math. Soc. 21 (2018), no. 4, 589–598.
8. T. Kim, *A note on degenerate Stirling polynomials of the second kind*, Proc. Jangjeon Math. Soc. 20 (2017), no. 3, 319–331.
9. T. Kim, *Degenerate complete Bell polynomials and numbers*, Proc. Jangjeon Math. Soc. 20 (2017), no. 4, 533–543.
10. T. Kim, *A note on central factorial numbers*, Proc. Jangjeon. Math. Soc. 21 (2018), no. 4, 575–588.
11. T. Kim, D. S. Kim, G.-W. Jang, *On central complete and incomplete Bell polynomials I*, Symmetry 2019, 11, 288;doi:10.3390/sym11020288.
12. T. Kim, D. S. Kim, *A note on central Bell numbers and polynomials*, Russ. J. Math. Phys. 26 (2019)(in press).
13. T. Kim, D. S. Kim, *Identities for degenerate Bernoulli polynomials and Korobov polynomials of the first kind*, Sci. China Math. (2018). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11425-018-9338-5>
14. T. Kim, D. S. Kim, *Degenerate Laplace transform and degenerate gamma function*. Russ. J. Math. Phys. 24 (2017), no. 2, 241–248.
15. T. Kim, D. S. Kim, D. V. Dolgy, *On partially degenerate Bell numbers and polynomials*, Proc. Jangjeon Math. Soc. 20 (2017), no. 3, 337–315.
16. K. S. Kolbig, *The complete Bell polynomials for certain arguments in terms of Stirling numbers of the first kind*, J. Comput. Appl. Math. 51 (1994), no. 1, 113–116.
17. B. Simsek, B. Simsek, *The computation of expected values and moments of special polynomials via characteristic and generating functions*, AIP Conf. Proc., 1863 (2017), 300012-1-300012-5; doi:10.1063/1.4992461.
18. Y. Simsek, *New families of special numbers for computing negative order Euler numbers and related numbers and polynomials*, Appl. Anal. Discrete Math. 12 (2018), no. 1, 1–35.
19. W. Zhang, *Some identities involving the Euler and the central factorial numbers*, Fibonacci Quart. 36 (1998), no. 2, 154–157.

Taekyun Kim

School of Science
Xian Technological University,
Xi'an 710021 Shaan,
China
Department of Mathematics
Kwangwoon University,
Seoul, 139-701,
Republic of Korea
E-mail: tkkim@kw.ac.kr

(Received 03.11.2018)

(Revised 08.07.2019)

Dae San Kim

Department of Mathematics
Sogang University, Seoul, 121-742,
Republic of Korea
E-mail: *dskim@sogang.ac.kr*

Gwan-Woo Jang

Department of Mathematics
Kwangwoon University, Seoul, 139-701,
Republic of Korea
E-mail: *gwjang@kw.ac.kr*