# $\lambda$ -ANALOGUES OF r-STIRLING NUMBERS OF THE FIRST **KIND**

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we study  $\lambda$ -analogues of the r-Stirling numbers of the first kind which have close connections with the r-Stirling numbers of the first kind and  $\lambda$ -Stirling numbers of the first kind. Specifically, we give the recurrence relations for these numbers and show their connections with the  $\lambda$ -Stirling numbers of the first kind and higher-order Daehee polynomials.

### 1. Introduction

It is known that the Stirling numbers of the first kind are defined as

$$(x)_n = \sum_{l=0}^n S_1(n,l)x^l$$
, (see  $[1,2,6-9,14]$ ), (1.1)

where  $(x)_0 = 1$ ,  $(x)_n = x(x-1)\cdots(x-n+1)$ ,  $(n \ge 1)$ . For  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , the  $\lambda$ -analogue of falling factorial sequence is defined by

$$(x)_{0,\lambda} = 1, (x)_{n,\lambda} = x(x-\lambda)(x-2\lambda)\cdots(x-(n-1)\lambda), (n \ge 1),$$
  
(see [2, 10, 14, 15, 17]). (1.2)

In view of (1.1), we define  $\lambda$ -analogues of the Stirling numbers of the first kind as

$$(x)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,k)x^{k}, \quad \text{(see } [2,11-13,16,17]).$$
 (1.3)

It is not difficult to show that

$$(1+\lambda t)^{\frac{x}{\lambda}} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} {x \choose l}_{\lambda} t^{l} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x)_{l,\lambda}}{l!} t^{l}, \quad (\text{see } [4,7-17]),$$
 (1.4)

where  $\binom{x}{l}_{\lambda}$  are the  $\lambda$ -analogues of binomial coefficients  $\binom{x}{n}$  given by  $\binom{x}{l}_{\lambda} = \frac{(x)_{l,\lambda}}{l!}$ .

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The r-Stirling numbers of the first kind are defined by the generating function

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left( \log(1+t) \right)^k (1+t)^r = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_1^{(r)}(n,k) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see } [3,20-23]).$$
 (1.5)

where  $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ .

The unsigned r-Stirling numbers of the first kind are defined as

$$(x+r)(x+r+1)\cdots(x+r+n-1) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} {n+r \brack k+r}_r x^k$$
, (see [1,17,22]). (1.6)

Thus, by (1.5), we get

$$(x+r)_n = (x+r)(x+r-1)\cdots(x+r-n+1) = \sum_{k=0}^n S_1^{(r)}(n,k)x^k, \quad (\text{see } [1]).$$
(1.7)

From (1.5) and (1.7), we note that

$$S_1^{(-r)}(n,k) = (-1)^{n-k} {n+r \brack k+r}_r.$$
 (1.8)

The higher-order Daehee polynomials are defined by

$$\left(\frac{\log(1+t)}{t}\right)^k (1+t)^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n^{(k)}(x) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \quad (\text{see } [5, 18, 19, 24]). \tag{1.9}$$

When x=0,  $D_n^{(k)}=D_n^{(k)}(0)$  are called the higher-order Daehee numbers. In particular, for k=1,  $D_n(x)=D_n^{(1)}(x)$ ,  $(n\geq 0)$ , are called the ordinary Daehee polynomials.

In this paper, we consider  $\lambda$ -analogues of r-Stirling numbers of the first kind which are derived from the  $\lambda$ -analogues of the falling factorial sequence and investigate some properties for these numbers. Specifically, we give some identities and recurrence relations for the  $\lambda$ -analogues of r-Stirling numbers of the first kind and show their connections with the  $\lambda$ -Stirling numbers of the first kind and higher-order Daehee polynomials.

## 2. $\lambda$ -analogues of r-Stirling numbers of the first kind

From (1.3) and (1.4), we have

$$(1+\lambda t)^{\frac{x}{\lambda}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (x)_{k,\lambda} \frac{t^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{n=0}^k S_{1,\lambda}(k,n) x^n \right) \frac{t^k}{k!}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( n! \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(k,n) \frac{t^k}{k!} \right) \frac{x^n}{n!}.$$
 (2.1)

On the other hand, we also have

$$(1+\lambda t)^{\frac{\pi}{\lambda}} = e^{\frac{\pi}{\lambda}\log(1+\lambda t)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda}\right)^n \frac{x^n}{n!}.$$
 (2.2)

Therefore, by (2.1) and (2.2), we get the generating function for  $S_{1,\lambda}(n,k)$ ,  $(n,k \ge 0)$ , which is given by

$$\frac{1}{n!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^n = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(k,n) \frac{t^k}{k!}.$$
 (2.3)

Now, we define  $\lambda$ -analogues of r-Stirling numbers of the first kind as

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) \frac{t^n}{n!}, \tag{2.4}$$

where  $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ .

From (2.3) and (2.4), we note that  $S_{1,\lambda}^{(0)}(n,k) = S_{1,\lambda}(n,k)$ ,  $(n \ge k \ge 0)$ . Also, it is easy to show that

$$(1+\lambda t)^{\frac{x}{\lambda}}(1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x+r)_{n,\lambda} \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
 (2.5)

By (2.5), we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x+r)_{n,\lambda} \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} {x+r \choose n}_{\lambda} t^n = (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} e^{\frac{x}{\lambda} \log(1+\lambda t)}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda}\right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^n S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) x^k\right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.6)

Therefore, by comparing the coefficients on both sides of (2.6), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$(x+r)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k)x^{k}.$$

Now, we observe that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k \frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k \sum_{m=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k) \frac{t^m}{m!} \right) \left( \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (r)_{l,\lambda} \frac{t^l}{l!} \right)$$

$$= \left( \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k) x^k \frac{t^m}{m!} \right) \left( \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (r)_{l,\lambda} \frac{t^l}{l!} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{m=0}^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{m} \binom{n}{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k) (r)_{n-m,\lambda} x^k \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n} \sum_{m=k}^{n} \binom{n}{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k) (r)_{n-m,\lambda} x^k \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.7)

Thus, by (2.6) and (2.7), we get

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) x^{k} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \left( \sum_{m=k}^{n} \binom{n}{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k)(r)_{n-m,\lambda} \right) x^{k}.$$
 (2.8)

Therefore, by comparing the coefficients on both sides of (2.8), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.2.** For  $n \geq 0$ , we have

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) = \sum_{m=1}^{n} \binom{n}{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k)(r)_{n-m,\lambda}.$$

Now, we define  $\lambda$ -analogues of the unsigned r-Stirling numbers of the first kind as follows:

$$(x+r)(x+r+\lambda)(x+r+2\lambda) + \dots + (x+r+(n-1)\lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} {n+r \brack k+r}_{r,\lambda} x^{k}. (2.9)$$

Note that  $\lim_{\lambda \to 1} {n+r \brack k+r}_{r,\lambda} = {n+r \brack k+r}_r$ ,  $(n \ge k \ge 0)$ . By Theorem 2.1 and (2.9), we get

$$(x-r)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(-r)}(n,k)x^{k}, \qquad (2.10)$$

and

$$(x-r)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n} (-1)^{n-k} {n+r \brack k+r}_{r,\lambda} x^{k}.$$
 (2.11)

From (2.10) and (2.11), we can easily derive the following equation (2.12).

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(-r)}(n,k) = (-1)^{n-k} \begin{bmatrix} n+r \\ k+r \end{bmatrix}_{r,\lambda}, \ (n \ge k \ge 0).$$
 (2.12)

For  $n \geq 1$ , by Theorem 2.1, we get

$$(x+r)_{n+1,\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+1,k)x^k = \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+1,k)x^k + (r)_{n+1,\lambda}. \quad (2.13)$$

On the other hand, by (1.2), we get

$$(x+r)_{n+1,\lambda} = (x+r)_{n,\lambda}(x+r-n\lambda)$$

$$= x \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k)x^{k} - (n\lambda - r) \sum_{k=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k)x^{k}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k-1)x^{k} - \sum_{k=1}^{n} (n\lambda - r)S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k)x^{k} + (r-n\lambda)(r)_{n,\lambda} + x^{n+1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left\{ S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k-1) - (n\lambda - r)S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) \right\} x^{k} + (r)_{n+1,\lambda} + x^{n+1}.$$
(2.14)

Therefore, by Theorem 2.1 and (2.14), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.3.** For  $1 \le k \le n$ , we have

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+1,k) = S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k-1) - (n\lambda - r)S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k).$$

From (2.4), we note that

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^l}{l!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^l$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \binom{k+l}{l} r^l \frac{1}{(k+l)!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^{k+l}$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \binom{k+l}{l} r^l \sum_{n=k+l}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(n,k+l) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} r^l \binom{k+l}{l} \sum_{n=l}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k+l) \frac{t^{n+k}}{(n+k)!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n!t^k}{(n+k)!} \sum_{l=0}^{n} r^l \binom{k+l}{l} S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k+l) \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.15)

On the other hand, we have

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \frac{t^k}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda t} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \left( \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} D_l^{(k)} \frac{\lambda^l t^l}{l!} \right) \left( \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (r)_{m,\lambda} \frac{t^m}{m!} \right) \frac{t^k}{k!} \qquad (2.16)$$

$$= \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{n} \binom{n}{l} D_l^{(k)} \lambda^l (r)_{n-l,\lambda} \frac{t^n}{n!} \right) \frac{t^k}{k!}.$$

Thus, by (2.15) and (2.16), we get

$$\sum_{l=0}^{n} r^{l} \frac{\binom{k+l}{l}}{\binom{n+k}{n}} S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k+l) = \sum_{l=0}^{n} \binom{n}{l} D_{l}^{(k)} \lambda^{l}(r)_{n-l,\lambda}.$$
 (2.17)

Therefore, by (2.17), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.4.** For n > 0, we have

$$\sum_{l=0}^{n} \binom{n}{l} D_l^{(k)} \lambda^l(r)_{n-l,\lambda} = \sum_{l=0}^{n} \frac{\binom{k+l}{l}}{\binom{n+k}{n}} r^l S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k+l).$$

Now, we observe that

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \left( \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (r)_{l,\lambda} \frac{t^l}{l!} \right) \frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k \\
= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{m=k}^{n} \binom{n}{m} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k)(r)_{n-m,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.18)

Therefore, by (2.4) and (2.18), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.5.** For  $n, k \ge 0$ , with  $n \ge k$ , we have

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) = \sum_{m=1}^{n} \binom{n}{m} (r)_{n-m,\lambda} S_{1,\lambda}(m,k).$$

From (2.4), we note that

$$\frac{1}{m!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda}\right)^m \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda}\right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \frac{(m+k)!}{m!k!} \frac{1}{(m+k)!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda}\right)^{m+k} (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \binom{m+k}{m} \sum_{n=m+k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,m+k) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.19)

On the other hand,

$$\frac{1}{m!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^m \frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \left( \sum_{l=m}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(l,m) \frac{t^l}{l!} \right) \left( \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(j,k) \frac{t^j}{j!} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=m+k}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{l=k}^{n-m} \binom{n}{l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) S_{1,\lambda}(n-l,m) \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.20)

Therefore, by (2.19) and (2.20), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.6.** For  $m, n, k \ge 0$  with  $n \ge m + k$ , we have

$$\binom{m+k}{m} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,m+k) = \sum_{l=k}^{n-m} \binom{n}{l} S_{1,\lambda}(l,k) S_{1,\lambda}(n-l,m).$$

By (2.3), we get

$$\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(n,k) \frac{t^n}{n!} = \frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} (1+\lambda t)^{-\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \left( \sum_{l=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) \frac{t^l}{l!} \right) \left( \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left( -\frac{r}{\lambda} \right) \lambda^m t^m \right)$$

$$= \left( \sum_{l=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) \frac{t^l}{l!} \right) \left( \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m (r+(m-1)\lambda)_{m,\lambda} \frac{t^m}{m!} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{l=k}^{n} \binom{n}{l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) (-1)^{n-l} (r+(n-l-1)\lambda)_{n-l,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.21)

Comparing the coefficients on both sides of (2.21), we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.7.** For  $n, k \ge 0$ , with  $n \ge k$ , we have

$$S_{1,\lambda}(n,k) = \sum_{l=k}^{n} \binom{n}{l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) (-1)^{n-l} (r + \lambda(n-l-1))_{n-l,\lambda}.$$

From (1.9), we have

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \frac{t^k}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda t} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \frac{t^k}{k!} \left( \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} D_m^{(k)} \lambda^m \frac{t^m}{m!} \right) \left( \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (r)_{l,\lambda} \frac{t^l}{l!} \right)$$

$$= \frac{t^k}{k!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{m=0}^{n} \binom{n}{m} D_m^{(k)} \lambda^m (r)_{n-m,\lambda} \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.22)

On the other hand, by (2.4), we get

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$= \frac{t^k}{k!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+k,k) \frac{n!k!}{(n+k)!} \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.23)

Thus, by comparing the coefficients on both sides of (2.22) and (2.23), we get

$$\sum_{m=0}^{n} \binom{n}{m} D_m^{(k)} \lambda^m(r)_{n-m,\lambda} = \frac{1}{\binom{n+k}{n}} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+k,k). \tag{2.24}$$

Therefore, by (2.24), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.8.** For  $n, k \geq 0$ , we have

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+k,k) = \binom{n+k}{n} \sum_{m=0}^{n} \binom{n}{m} D_m^{(k)} \lambda^m(r)_{n-m,\lambda}.$$

From (1.9), we note that

$$\frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \frac{t^k}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda t} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}}$$

$$= \frac{t^k}{k!} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n D_n^{(k)} (\frac{r}{\lambda}) \frac{t^n}{n!}.$$
(2.25)

By (2.23) and (2.25), we get

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n+k,k) = \lambda^n \frac{(n+k)!}{n!k!} D_n^{(k)}(\frac{r}{\lambda}) = \lambda^n \binom{n+k}{n} D_n^{(k)}(\frac{r}{\lambda}), \ (n \ge 0).$$
 (2.26)

In particular, for r = 0, from (2.21) and (2.26) we have

$$\lambda^{n} \binom{n+k}{k} D_{n}^{(k)} = S_{1,\lambda}(n+k,k)$$

$$= \sum_{l=k}^{n+k} \binom{n+k}{l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k)(-1)^{n+k-l} (r+(n+k-l-1)\lambda)_{n+k-l,\lambda},$$
(2.27)

where  $n, k \geq 0$ .

Therefore, by (2.27), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.9.** For  $n, k \geq 0$ , we have

$$\lambda^{n} \binom{n+k}{k} D_{n}^{(k)} = \sum_{l=k}^{n+k} \binom{n+k}{l} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) (-1)^{n+k-l} (r+(n+k-l-1)\lambda)_{n+k-l,\lambda}.$$

In addition,

$$D_n^{(k)} = \frac{1}{\binom{n+k}{k}} \sum_{l=k}^{n+k} \binom{n+k}{l} \binom{l}{k} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^{n+k-l} \times (r + (n+k-l-1)\lambda)_{n+k-l,\lambda} (-1)^{n+k-l} D_{l-k}^{(k)} (\frac{r}{\lambda}).$$

Now, we observe that

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(n,k) \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} e^{-\frac{r}{\lambda} \log(1+\lambda t)} \\ &= \left( \sum_{l=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) \frac{t^l}{l!} \right) \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m r^m \frac{1}{m!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^m \\ &= \left( \sum_{l=k}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(l,k) \frac{t^l}{l!} \right) \left( \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m r^m \sum_{j=m}^{\infty} S_{1,\lambda}(j,m) \frac{t^j}{j!} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \sum_{m=0}^{j} \binom{n}{j} (-1)^m r^m S_{1,\lambda}(j,m) S_{1,\lambda}(n-j,k) \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{split}$$
(2.28)

Therefore, by comparing the coefficients on both sides of (2.28), we obtain the following theorem

**Theorem 2.10.** For  $n, k \ge 0$ , with  $n \ge k$ , we have

$$S_{1,\lambda}(n,k) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-k} \sum_{m=0}^{j} \binom{n}{j} (-1)^m r^m S_{1,\lambda}(j,m) S_{1,\lambda}(n-j,k).$$

For  $m, n \ge 0$ , we define  $\lambda$ -analogues of the Whitney's type r-Stirling numbers of the first kind as

$$(mx+r)_{n,\lambda} = (mx+r)(mx+r-\lambda)(mx+r-2\lambda)\cdots(mx+r-(n-1)\lambda)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{n} T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m)x^{k}.$$
(2.29)

By (2.29), we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (mx+r)_{n,\lambda} \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^n T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m) x^k \right) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m) \frac{t^n}{n!} \right) x^k.$$
(2.30)

On the other hand, by binomial expansion, we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (mx+r)_{n,\lambda} \frac{t^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} {mx+r \choose n}_{\lambda} t^n$$

$$= (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{mx+r}{\lambda}} = (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} e^{mx(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda})}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{m^k}{k!} \left(\frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda}\right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} x^k.$$
(2.31)

Comparing the coefficients on both sides of (2.30) and (2.31), the generating function for  $T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m)$ ,  $(n,k\geq 0)$ , is given by

$$\frac{m^k}{k!} \left( \frac{\log(1+\lambda t)}{\lambda} \right)^k (1+\lambda t)^{\frac{r}{\lambda}} = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m) \frac{t^n}{n!}. \tag{2.32}$$

From (2.4) and (2.32), we note that

$$S_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k) = \frac{1}{m^k} T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m), \ (n \ge k \ge 0).$$
 (2.33)

It is known that the r-Whitney numbers are defined as

$$(mx+r)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n m^k W_{m,r}(n,k)(x)_k$$
, (see [3]). (2.34)

By (1.3), we get

$$(mx+r)_{n,\lambda} = \sum_{l=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l)(mx+r)^{l}$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) \sum_{j=0}^{l} m^{j} W_{m,r}(l,j)(x)_{j}$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{n} \sum_{l=j}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) m^{j} W_{m,r}(l,j)(x)_{j}$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{n} \sum_{l=j}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) m^{j} W_{m,r}(l,j) \sum_{k=0}^{j} S_{1}(j,k) x^{k}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{n} \left( \sum_{j=k}^{n} \sum_{l=j}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) S_{1}(j,k) m^{j} W_{m,r}(l,j) \right) x^{k}.$$
(2.35)

Therefore, by (2.29) and (2.35), we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.11.** For  $n, k \geq 0$ , with  $n \geq k$ , we have

$$T_{1,\lambda}^{(r)}(n,k|m) = \sum_{j=k}^{n} \sum_{l=j}^{n} S_{1,\lambda}(n,l) S_1(j,k) m^j W_{m,r}(l,j).$$

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