

**ON THE QUATERNARY FORMS  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 5t^2$ ,**

$$x^2 + y^2 + 5z^2 + 5t^2 \text{ AND } x^2 + 5y^2 + 5z^2 + 5t^2$$

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e-mail: [kwilliam@connect.carleton.ca](mailto:kwilliam@connect.carleton.ca)**Abstract**

Simple proofs are given of the formulae for the number of representations of a positive integer by each of the three quaternary quadratic forms  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 5t^2$ ,  $x^2 + y^2 + 5z^2 + 5t^2$  and  $x^2 + 5y^2 + 5z^2 + 5t^2$ .

**1. Introduction**

Let  $\mathbb{N}$  denote the set of positive integers and  $\mathbb{Z}$  denote the set of integers. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Set  $n = 2^\alpha 5^\beta N$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\gcd(N, 10) = 1$ . In 1864 Liouville [11, 12] stated without proof formulae equivalent to

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$$\begin{aligned}
N(1, 1, 1, 5; n) &:= \text{card}\{(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid n = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 5t^2\} \\
&= \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n+d} \left(\frac{5}{d}\right) d + 5 \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n+d} \left(\frac{5}{n/d}\right) d
\end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
N(1, 5, 5, 5; n) &:= \text{card}\{(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid n = x^2 + 5y^2 + 5z^2 + 5t^2\} \\
&= \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n+d} \left(\frac{5}{d}\right) d + \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n+d} \left(\frac{5}{n/d}\right) d,
\end{aligned} \tag{1.2}$$

where  $\left(\frac{5}{k}\right)$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ) is the Legendre-Jacobi-Kronecker symbol for discriminant 5, that is

$$\left(\frac{5}{k}\right) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } k \equiv 0 \pmod{5}, \\ 1, & \text{if } k \equiv 1, 4 \pmod{5}, \\ -1, & \text{if } k \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

Trivially  $N(1, 1, 1, 5; 0) = N(1, 5, 5, 5; 0) = 1$ . A year later Liouville [13] gave the formula

$$\begin{aligned}
N(1, 1, 5, 5; n) &:= \text{card}\{(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid n = x^2 + y^2 + 5z^2 + 5t^2\} \\
&= 2(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(N), \quad \text{if } \alpha \geq 1,
\end{aligned}$$

but did not give a result when  $\alpha = 0$ . Again no proof was given. According to Dickson [6, Vol. 3, p. 232], Petr [20, p. 20] evaluated  $N(1, 1, 1, 5; 8n)$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) in terms of the class-number of binary quadratic forms. Also according to Dickson [6, Vol. 3, p. 232], Petr [21] enumerated by the use of theta functions the solutions of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 5t^2 = n$ . In 1926 Kloosterman [10, p. 173] gave the following formula for  $N(1, 1, 5, 5; n)$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), namely

$$N(1, 1, 5, 5; n) = \begin{cases} 2(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(N), & \text{if } \alpha \geq 1, \\ \frac{2}{3}(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(N) + \frac{8}{3}c(n), & \text{if } \alpha = 0, \end{cases} \tag{1.3}$$

where  $c(n)$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) is given by

$$q \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{2n})^2 (1 - q^{10n})^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c(n) q^n, \quad (1.4)$$

and

$$\sigma(n) = \sum_{\substack{d \in \mathbb{N} \\ d|n}} d, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

(If  $n \notin \mathbb{N}$ , then we set  $\sigma(n) = 0$ .) Trivially  $N(1, 1, 5, 5; 0) = 1$ . Kloosterman did not give his proof of (1.3) and remarked that the proof is *very complicated* [10, p. 173]. The first published proof of (1.3) was given by Lomadse [14, Satz 1(a), p. 152] and the first proof of (1.1) by Demuth [5, pp. 245-247]. Proofs of (1.1)-(1.3) were given in Petersson's book [19, Satz 11.1, p. 107; Satz 11.2, p. 108]. Proofs can also be given using Ramanujan's modular equations of degree 5 as given by Berndt in [3, Part III, Chapter 9; Part V, Chapter 36]. Our purpose in this paper is to give simple proofs of (1.1)-(1.3) based upon an identity of Bailey [1] and some modular equations of degree 5 given by Ramanujan [22], which were proved by Berndt [3, Part III]. Berkovich [2] of the University of Florida has informed the third author that he and Hamza Yesilyurt have also given proofs of (1.1) and (1.2).

## 2. Notation

Let  $q$  denote a complex number with  $|q| < 1$ . For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  we define

$$E_k = E_k(q) := \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{kn}). \quad (2.1)$$

The theta functions  $\phi(q)$  and  $\psi(q)$  are defined by

$$\phi(q) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} q^{n^2} \quad (2.2)$$

and

$$\psi(q) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{n(n+1)/2}. \quad (2.3)$$

The infinite product representations of  $\varphi(q)$  and  $\psi(q)$  are due to Jacobi [9], namely

$$\varphi(q) = \frac{E_2^5}{E_1^2 E_4} \quad (2.4)$$

and

$$\psi(q) = \frac{E_2^2}{E_1}, \quad (2.5)$$

see for example [8, p. 284]. As

$$E_k(-q) = \begin{cases} E_k(q), & \text{if } k \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{E_{2k}^3(q)}{E_k(q)E_{4k}(q)}, & \text{if } k \text{ is odd,} \end{cases} \quad (2.6)$$

we deduce from (2.4)-(2.6)

$$\psi(-q) = \frac{E_1 E_4}{E_2} \quad (2.7)$$

and

$$\varphi(-q) = \frac{E_1^2}{E_2}. \quad (2.8)$$

In the notation of Berndt [3, Part III, pp. 36, 37] we have

$$\chi(-q) = \frac{E_1}{E_2}, \quad f(-q) = E_1. \quad (2.9)$$

Thus, by (2.6), we have

$$\chi(q) = \frac{E_2^2}{E_1 E_4}, \quad f(q) = \frac{E_2^3}{E_1 E_4}. \quad (2.10)$$

### 3. Ramanujan's Modular Equations of Degree 5

Ramanujan [22, Entry 19, p. 295] asserted that (with  $q$  replaced by  $-q$ )

$$\psi^2(q) - 5q\psi^2(q^5) = \frac{\varphi^2(-q)}{\chi(-q)\chi(-q^5)}. \quad (3.1)$$

A proof has been given by Berndt [3, Part V, p. 366]. Appealing to (2.4)-(2.7) and (3.1), we obtain

$$\frac{E_2^4}{E_1^2} - 5q \frac{E_{10}^4}{E_5^2} = \frac{E_1^3 E_{10}}{E_2 E_5}. \quad (3.2)$$

Multiplying both sides of (3.2) by  $E_1^2 E_2 E_5^2$ , we have

**Theorem 3.1.**

$$E_2^5 E_5^2 - 5q E_1^2 E_2 E_{10}^4 = E_1^5 E_5 E_{10}.$$

Ramanujan [22, Entry 18, p. 295] also asserted (with  $q$  replaced by  $-q$ )

$$\psi^2(q) - q\psi^2(q^5) = \frac{f(-q^5)\varphi(-q^5)}{\chi(-q)}. \quad (3.3)$$

A proof is given in [3, Part V, pp. 365-366]. Appealing to (2.5)-(2.7) and (3.3), we obtain

$$\frac{E_2^4}{E_1^2} - q \frac{E_{10}^4}{E_5^2} = \frac{E_2 E_5^3}{E_1 E_{10}}. \quad (3.4)$$

Multiplying both sides of (3.4) by  $E_1^2 E_5^2 E_{10}$ , we have

**Theorem 3.2.**

$$E_2^4 E_5^2 E_{10} - q E_1^2 E_{10}^5 = E_1 E_2 E_5^5.$$

Our next theorem is also due to Ramanujan [22].

**Theorem 3.3.**

$$\varphi^2(q) - \varphi^2(q^5) = 4q \frac{E_2^2 E_5 E_{20}}{E_1 E_4}.$$

**Proof.** Ramanujan asserted and Berndt [3, Part III, p. 258] proved that

$$\varphi^2(q) - \varphi^2(q^5) = 4q\chi(q)f(-q^5)f(-q^{20}).$$

By (2.9) and (2.10) we obtain

$$\chi(q)f(-q^5)f(-q^{20}) = \frac{E_2^2}{E_1 E_4} E_5 E_{20}$$

and the asserted result follows.

**Theorem 3.4.**

$$\varphi^2(q) - 5\varphi^2(q^5) = -4 \frac{E_1 E_4 E_{10}^2}{E_5 E_{20}}.$$

**Proof.** From [3, Part III, p. 259] we have

$$5 \frac{\varphi^2(q^5)}{\varphi^2(q)} - 1 = 4 \frac{\chi(q^5)}{\chi^5(q)}.$$

Thus

$$\varphi^2(q) - 5\varphi^2(q^5) = -4 \frac{\chi(q^5)}{\chi^5(q)} \varphi^2(q).$$

By (2.4) and (2.10) we deduce

$$\frac{\chi(q^5)}{\chi^5(q)} \varphi^2(q) = \frac{E_1 E_4 E_{10}^2}{E_5 E_{20}},$$

and the asserted result follows.

**4. Bailey's Identity**

The identity of Theorem 4.1 is implicit in the work of Bailey [1, eqs. (4) and (5)], who obtained it from a formula for the difference of two values of the Weierstrass  $\wp$ -function. Dobbie [7] has given an elementary proof of Bailey's identity.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $a$  and  $b$  be complex numbers such that  $a \neq 0$ ,  $b \neq 0$ ,  $a \neq b$ ,  $ab \neq 1$ ,  $a \neq q^n$  for any integer  $n$  and  $b \neq q^n$  for any integer  $n$ .*

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-abq^n)(1-a^{-1}b^{-1}q^n)(1-ab^{-1}q^n)(1-a^{-1}bq^n)(1-q^n)^4}{(1-aq^n)^2(1-a^{-1}q^n)^2(1-bq^n)^2(1-b^{-1}q^n)^2} \\ &= 1 + \frac{(1-a)^2(1-b)^2}{(a-b)(1-ab)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (a^d + a^{-d} - b^d - b^{-d})d \right) q^n. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/5}$  so that

$$\omega^5 = 1, \quad \omega + \omega^2 + \omega^3 + \omega^4 = -1 \quad (4.1)$$

and

$$\omega^d - \omega^{2d} - \omega^{3d} + \omega^{4d} = \left(\frac{5}{d}\right) \sqrt{5}, \quad d \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (4.2)$$

We choose  $a = -\omega$  and  $b = -\omega^2$  in Bailey's identity. As

$$\begin{aligned} a^d + a^{-d} - b^d - b^{-d} &= (-1)^d (\omega^d - \omega^{2d} - \omega^{3d} + \omega^{4d}) \\ &= (-1)^d \left(\frac{5}{d}\right) \sqrt{5}, \quad d \in \mathbb{N}, \\ \frac{(1-a)^2(1-b)^2}{(a-b)(1-ab)} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-abq^n)(1-a^{-1}b^{-1}q^n)(1-ab^{-1}q^n)(1-a^{-1}bq^n)(1-q^n)^4}{(1-aq^n)^2(1-a^{-1}q^n)^2(1-bq^n)^2(1-b^{-1}q^n)^2} \\ &= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-\omega q^n)(1-\omega^2 q^n)(1-\omega^3 q^n)(1-\omega^4 q^n)(1-q^n)^4}{(1+\omega q^n)^2(1+\omega^2 q^n)^2(1+\omega^3 q^n)^2(1+\omega^4 q^n)^2} \\ &= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-q^{5n})(1-q^n)^3}{\left(\frac{1+q^{5n}}{1+q^n}\right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-q^{5n})(1-q^n)^3(1-q^{2n})^2(1-q^{5n})^2}{(1-q^{10n})^2(1-q^n)^2} \\
&= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-q^n)(1-q^{2n})^2(1-q^{5n})^3}{(1-q^{10n})^2},
\end{aligned}$$

we obtain

**Theorem 4.2.**

$$\frac{E_1 E_2^2 E_5^3}{E_{10}^2} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \binom{5}{d} d \right) q^n.$$

Next we replace  $q$  by  $q^5$  in Bailey's identity, and then take  $a = -q$  and  $b = -q^3$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-abq^{5n})(1-a^{-1}b^{-1}q^{5n})(1-ab^{-1}q^{5n})(1-a^{-1}bq^{5n})(1-q^{5n})^4}{(1-aq^{5n})^2(1-a^{-1}q^{5n})^2(1-bq^{5n})^2(1-b^{-1}q^{5n})^2} \\
&= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-q^{5n+4})(1-q^{5n-4})(1-q^{5n-2})(1-q^{5n+2})(1-q^{5n})^4}{(1+q^{5n+1})^2(1+q^{5n-1})^2(1+q^{5n+3})^2(1+q^{5n-3})^2} \\
&= \frac{(1+q)^2(1+q^3)^2}{(1-q^2)(1-q^4)} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-q^{5n-4})(1-q^{5n-3})(1-q^{5n-2})(1-q^{5n-1})(1-q^{5n})^4}{(1+q^{5n-4})^2(1+q^{5n-3})^2(1+q^{5n-2})^2(1+q^{5n-1})^2} \\
&= \frac{(1+q)^2(1+q^3)^2}{(1-q^2)(1-q^4)} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-q^n)(1-q^{5n})^3}{\left(\frac{1+q^n}{1+q^{5n}}\right)^2} \\
&= \frac{(1+q)^2(1+q^3)^2}{(1-q^2)(1-q^4)} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-q^n)^3(1-q^{5n})(1-q^{10n})^2}{(1-q^{2n})^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\frac{(1-a)^2(1-b)^2}{(a-b)(1-ab)} = -\frac{(1+q)^2(1+q^3)^2}{(1-q^2)(1-q^4)}.$$

Then, by Theorem 4.1, we obtain

$$q \frac{E_1^3 E_5 E_{10}^2}{E_2^2} = q \frac{(1-q^2)(1-q^4)}{(1+q^2)(1+q^3)^2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d (q^d + q^{-d} - q^{3d} - q^{-3d}) d \right) q^{5n}.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d q^d d \right) q^{5n} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d d q^{d+5n} \\ &= \sum_{d,e=1}^{\infty} (-1)^d d q^{d+5de} \\ &= \sum_{d,e=1}^{\infty} (-1)^d d q^{(5e+1)d} \\ &= \sum_{d=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{f=6 \\ f \equiv 1 \pmod{5}}}^{\infty} (-1)^d d q^{fd} \\ &= \sum_{d=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\substack{f=1 \\ f \equiv 1 \pmod{5}}}^{\infty} (-1)^d d q^{fd} - \sum_{d=1}^{\infty} (-1)^d d q^d, \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d q^d d \right) q^{5n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ n/d \equiv 1 \pmod{5}}} (-1)^d d \right) q^n + \frac{q}{(1+q)^2}.$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d q^{-d} d \right) q^{5n} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ n/d \equiv 4 \pmod{5}}} (-1)^d d \right) q^n, \\ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d q^{3d} d \right) q^{5n} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ n/d \equiv 3 \pmod{5}}} (-1)^d d \right) q^n + \frac{q^3}{(1+q^3)^2}, \\ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d q^{-3d} d \right) q^{5n} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ n/d \equiv 2 \pmod{5}}} (-1)^d d \right) q^n. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d (q^d + q^{-d} - q^{3d} - q^{-3d}) d \right) q^{5n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \left( \frac{5}{n/d} \right) d \right) q^n + \frac{q}{(1+q)^2} - \frac{q^3}{(1+q^3)^2} \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \left( \frac{5}{n/d} \right) d \right) q^n + \frac{q(1-q^2)(1-q^4)}{(1+q)^2(1+q^3)^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We have proved the following identity:

**Theorem 4.3.**

$$q \frac{E_1^3 E_5 E_{10}^2}{E_2^2} = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \left( \frac{5}{n/d} \right) d \right) q^n.$$

### 5. Evaluation of $N(1, 1, 1, 5; n)$

We use Theorems 3.1, 4.2 and 4.3 to determine  $N(1, 1, 1, 5; n)$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

**Theorem 5.1.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$N(1, 1, 1, 5; n) = \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n+d} \left( \frac{5}{d} \right) d + 5 \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n+d} \left( \frac{5}{n/d} \right) d.$$

**Proof.** We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 1, 1, 5; n) (-q)^n \\
 &= \varphi^3(-q) \varphi(-q^5) \quad (\text{by (2.2)}) \\
 &= \frac{E_1^6 E_5^2}{E_2^3 E_{10}} \quad (\text{by (2.8)})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{E_1 E_5}{E_2^3 E_{10}^2} \cdot E_1^5 E_5 E_{10} \\
&= \frac{E_1 E_5}{E_2^3 E_{10}^2} (E_2^5 E_5^2 - 5q E_1^2 E_2 E_{10}^4) && \text{(by Theorem 3.1)} \\
&= \frac{E_1 E_2^2 E_5^3}{E_{10}^2} - 5q \frac{E_1^3 E_5 E_{10}^2}{E_2^2} \\
&= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \left( \frac{5}{d} \right) d \right) q^n + 5 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \left( \frac{5}{n/d} \right) d \right) q^n,
\end{aligned}$$

by Theorems 4.2 and 4.3. Equating coefficients of  $q^n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), we obtain

$$(-1)^n N(1, 1, 1, 5; n) = \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \left( \frac{5}{d} \right) d + 5 \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \left( \frac{5}{n/d} \right) d$$

from which Theorem 5.1 follows.

## 6. Evaluation of $N(1, 5, 5, 5; n)$

We use Theorems 3.2, 4.2 and 4.3 to determine  $N(1, 5, 5, 5; n)$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

**Theorem 6.1.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then*

$$N(1, 5, 5, 5; n) = \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n+d} \left( \frac{5}{d} \right) d + \sum_{d|n} (-1)^{n+d} \left( \frac{5}{n/d} \right) d.$$

**Proof.** We have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 5, 5, 5; n) (-q)^n \\
&= \varphi(-q) \varphi^3(-q^5) && \text{(by (2.2))} \\
&= \frac{E_1^2 E_5^6}{E_2 E_{10}^3} && \text{(by (2.8))}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{E_1 E_5}{E_2^2 E_{10}^3} \cdot E_1 E_2 E_5^5 \\
&= \frac{E_1 E_5}{E_2^2 E_{10}^3} (E_2^4 E_5^2 E_{10} - q E_1^2 E_{10}^5) && \text{(by Theorem 3.2)} \\
&= \frac{E_1 E_2^2 E_5^3}{E_{10}^2} - q \frac{E_1^3 E_5 E_{10}^2}{E_2^2} \\
&= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \left( \frac{5}{d} \right) d \right) q^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \left( \frac{5}{n/d} \right) d \right) q^n,
\end{aligned}$$

by Theorems 4.2 and 4.3.

### 7. Evaluation of $N(1, 1, 5, 5; n)$

We use Theorems 3.3 and 3.4 to determine  $N(1, 1, 5, 5; n)$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

**Theorem 7.1.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Set  $n = 2^\alpha 5^\beta N$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\gcd(N, 10) = 1$ . Then

$$N(1, 1, 5, 5; n) = \begin{cases} 2(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(N), & \text{if } \alpha \geq 1, \\ \frac{2}{3}(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(N) + \frac{8}{3}c(n), & \text{if } \alpha = 0, \end{cases} \quad (7.1)$$

where  $c(n)$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) is given by (1.4).

**Proof.** By Theorems 3.3 and 3.4 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\varphi^4(q) - 6\varphi^2(q)\varphi^2(q^5) + 5\varphi^4(q^5) \\
&= (\varphi^2(q) - \varphi^2(q^5))(\varphi^2(q) - 5\varphi^2(q^5)) \\
&= 4q \frac{E_2^2 E_5 E_{20}}{E_1 E_4} \cdot \frac{-4E_1 E_4 E_{10}^2}{E_5 E_{20}} \\
&= -16q E_2^2 E_{10}^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 1, 5, 5; n) q^n \\
&= \varphi^2(q) \varphi^2(q^5) \quad (\text{by (2.2)}) \\
&= \frac{1}{6} \varphi^4(q) + \frac{5}{6} \varphi^4(q^5) + \frac{8}{3} q E_2^2 E_{10}^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 1, 1, 1; n) q^n + \frac{5}{6} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 1, 1, 1; n) q^{5n} + \frac{8}{3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c(n) q^n, \quad (\text{by (1.4)})
\end{aligned}$$

where for  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$

$$N(1, 1, 1, 1; n) = \text{card}\{(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid n = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + t^2\}.$$

Equating coefficients of  $q^n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), we obtain

$$N(1, 1, 5, 5; n) = \frac{1}{6} N(1, 1, 1, 1; n) + \frac{5}{6} N(1, 1, 1, 1; n/5) + \frac{8}{3} c(n).$$

Now it is a classical result of Jacobi [9] (see for example [4, p. 59]) that

$$N(1, 1, 1, 1; n) = 8\sigma(n) - 32\sigma(n/4), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (7.2)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
N(1, 1, 5, 5; n) &= \frac{4}{3} \sigma(n) - \frac{16}{3} \sigma(n/4) + \frac{20}{3} \sigma(n/5) \\
&\quad - \frac{80}{3} \sigma(n/20) + \frac{8}{3} c(n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (7.3)
\end{aligned}$$

Set  $n = 2^\alpha 5^\beta N$ , where  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\gcd(N, 10) = 1$ . Suppose first that  $\alpha \geq 1$ . From (1.4) we see that

$$c(n) = 0 \quad \text{for } n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}. \quad (7.4)$$

As

$$\sigma(n) = \sigma(2^\alpha) \sigma(5^\beta) \sigma(N) = \frac{1}{4} (2^{\alpha+1} - 1) (5^{\beta+1} - 1) \sigma(N)$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} N(1, 1, 5, 5; n) &= \frac{1}{3}(2^{\alpha+1} - 1)(5^{\beta+1} - 1)\sigma(N) - \frac{4}{3}(2^{\alpha-1} - 1)(5^{\beta+1} - 1)\sigma(N) \\ &\quad + \frac{5}{3}(2^{\alpha+1} - 1)(5^{\beta} - 1)\sigma(N) - \frac{20}{3}(2^{\alpha-1} - 1)(5^{\beta} - 1)\sigma(N) \\ &= 2(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(N), \end{aligned}$$

which is the first part of Theorem 7.1. Now suppose that  $\alpha = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} N(1, 1, 5, 5; n) &= \frac{4}{3}\sigma(n) + \frac{20}{3}\sigma(n/5) + \frac{8}{3}c(n) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(5^{\beta+1} - 1)\sigma(N) + \frac{5}{3}(5^{\beta} - 1)\sigma(N) + \frac{8}{3}c(n) \\ &= \frac{2}{3}(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(N) + \frac{8}{3}c(n), \end{aligned}$$

which is the second part of Theorem 7.1.

We conclude by giving a formula for  $c(n)$  when  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ .

**Theorem 7.2.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  be odd. Then*

$$c(n) = \sum_{\substack{(a, b, c, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \\ 6n = a^2 + 9b^2 + 5c^2 + 45d^2 \\ a \equiv c \pmod{3} \\ a+b \equiv c+d \pmod{2}}} (-1)^{b+d}.$$

**Proof.** It is known (see for example [18]) that

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)^2 = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} p_2(\ell)q^{\ell},$$

where

$$p_2(\ell) = \sum_{\substack{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \\ 12\ell+1 = a^2 + 9b^2 \\ a \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ a+b \equiv 1 \pmod{2}}} (-1)^b.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c(2n+1)q^n &= \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}}}^{\infty} c(n)q^{(n-1)/2} \\
&= \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)^2 (1 - q^{5n})^2 \\
&= \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} p_2(\ell)q^{\ell} \right) \left( \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} p_2(m)q^{5m} \right) \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{\substack{\ell, m \geq 0 \\ \ell + 5m = n}} p_2(\ell)p_2(m) \right) q^n
\end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}
c(2n+1) &= \sum_{\substack{\ell, m \geq 0 \\ \ell + 5m = n}} p_2(\ell)p_2(m) \\
&= \sum_{\substack{\ell, m \geq 0 \\ \ell + 5m = n}} \sum_{\substack{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \\ 12\ell + 1 = a^2 + 9b^2 \\ a \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ a+b \equiv 1 \pmod{2}}} (-1)^b \sum_{\substack{(c, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \\ 12m + 1 = c^2 + 9d^2 \\ c \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ c+d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}}} (-1)^d \\
&= \sum_{\substack{(a, b, c, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \\ 12n + 6 = a^2 + 9b^2 + 5(c^2 + 9d^2) \\ a \equiv c \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ a+b \equiv c+d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}}} (-1)^{b+d},
\end{aligned}$$

which is the asserted result.

It is known from the theory of modular forms that  $c(n)$  is multiplicative, that

$$c(5^n) = (-1)^n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\},$$

and that for a prime  $p \neq 2, 5$

$$c(p^{n+2}) = c(p)c(p^{n+1}) - pc(p^n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\},$$

see for example [15], [16] and [17].

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