



Heuristic derivation of Zudilin's supercongruences for rational Ramanujan series

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Abstract

We derive, using a heuristic method, a p -adic mate of bilateral Ramanujan series. It has (among other consequences) Zudilin's supercongruences for rational Ramanujan series.

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1 Rational Ramanujan series for π^{-m}

At the beginning of the twenty first century we discovered new families of Ramanujan-like series, but of greater degree [2], and proved several of them by the WZ (Wilf–Zeilberger) method [3].

We can write the rational Ramanujan-like series as

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} R(n) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_n}{(1)_n} \right) \sum_{k=0}^m a_k n^k z_0^n = \frac{\sqrt{(-1)^m \chi}}{\pi^m},$$

where z_0 is a rational such that $z_0 \neq 0$ and $z_0 \neq 1$, the parameters a_0, a_1, \dots, a_m are positive rationals, and χ the discriminant of a certain quadratic field (imaginary or real), which is an integer. In case that $|z_0| > 1$ we understand the series as its analytic

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continuation. An example is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2048} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n^7 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)_n \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)_n}{(1)_n^9} (43680n^4 + 20632n^3 + 4340n^2 + 466n + 21) \left(\frac{1}{2^{12}}\right)^n \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi^4}, \end{aligned}$$

conjectured by Jim Cullen, and recently proved by Kam Cheong Au, using the WZ method [1].

2 Bilateral Ramanujan series

We define the function $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ in the following way:

$$f(x) = e^{-i\pi x} \prod_{s_k} \frac{\cos \pi x - \cos \pi s_k}{1 - \cos \pi s_k} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} R(n+x).$$

Then there exist coefficients α_k and β_k (which we conjecture are rational) such that $f(x) = F(x)$, where

$$F(x) = \frac{\sqrt{(-1)^m \chi}}{\pi^m} \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^m (\alpha_k (\cos 2\pi kx - 1) + \beta_k \sin 2\pi kx) \right),$$

is the Fourier expansion of $f(x)$.

Proof The function $f(x)$ is 1-periodic because the product over s_k is 1-periodic as each $s_k = s$, has a companion $s_k = 1 - s$, and the sum over \mathbb{Z} is clearly 1-periodic as well. In addition $f(x)$ is holomorphic because the zero of $\cos \pi x - \cos \pi s_k$ at $x = -s_k$ cancels the pole of $(s_k)_{n+x}$ at $x = -s_k$, and as $f(x)$ is periodic all the other poles are canceled as well. As $f(x)$ is holomorphic and periodic, it has a Fourier expansion. Finally, we can prove that $f(x) = \mathcal{O}(e^{(2m+1)\pi |\text{Im}(x)|})$, and therefore the Fourier expansion terminates at $k = m$.

Example 2.1

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{8} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n+x}^5}{(1)_{n+x}^5} (20(n+x)^2 + 8(n+x) + 1) \left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)^{n+x} \\ &= e^{i\pi x} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}(\cos 2\pi x - 1) + \frac{1}{2}(\cos 4\pi x - 1)}{\pi^2 \cos^5 \pi x}. \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.2

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{384} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n+x} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_{n+x} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_{n+x} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)_{n+x} \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)_{n+x}}{(1)_{n+x}^5} \left(-\frac{3^6}{4^6}\right)^{n+x} \\ & \quad \times \left(1930(n+x)^2 + 549(n+x) + 45\right) \\ & = e^{i\pi x} \frac{3 - 14(\cos 2\pi x - 1) + 6(\cos 4\pi x - 1)}{\pi^2 \cos \pi x (4 \cos^2 \pi x - 1)(4 \cos^2 \pi x - 3)}. \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.3

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{32} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n+x}^3 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)_{n+x} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)_{n+x}}{(1)_{n+x}^5} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^{n+x} (120(n+x)^2 + 34(n+x) + 3) \\ & = e^{i\pi x} \frac{1 - \frac{7}{2}(\cos 2\pi x - 1) + \frac{3}{2}(\cos 4\pi x - 1) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\pi x - \frac{1}{2} \sin 4\pi x\right) i}{\pi^2 \cos^3 \pi x (2 \cos^2 \pi x - 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.4

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{n+x}^3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_{n+x} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_{n+x}}{(1)_{n+x}^5} [28(n+x)^2 + 18(n+x) + 3] (-27)^{n+x} \\ & = e^{i\pi x} \frac{3 + (\cos 2\pi x - 1) + \frac{3}{4}(\cos 4\pi x - 1)}{\pi^2 \cos^3 \pi x (4 \cos^2 \pi x - 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

3 Series to the right and to the left

The series to the right hand side is

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} R(n+x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_{n+x}}{(1)_{n+x}} \right) \sum_{k=0}^m a_k (n+x)^k z_0^{n+x},$$

extended by analytic continuation to all z_0 different from 0 and 1, and the series on the left hand side is

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} R(-n+x) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_{-n+x}}{(1)_{-n+x}} \right) \sum_{k=0}^m a_k (-n+x)^k z_0^{-n+x} \\ &= x^{2m+1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(1)_{n-x}}{(s_i)_{n-x}} \right) \sum_{k=0}^m a_k (-n+x)^k z_0^{-n+x} \\ &= x^{2m+1} z_0^x \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_x}{(1)_x} \right) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(1-x)_n}{(s_i-x)_n} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^m a_k (-n+x)^{k-2m-1} z_0^{-n},$$

extended by analytic continuation to all z_0 different from 0 and 1. We see that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} R(n) - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} R(n+x) &= \frac{\sqrt{(-1)^m \chi}}{\pi^m} - e^{i\pi x} \prod_{s_k} \frac{1 - \cos \pi s_k}{\cos \pi x - \cos \pi s_k} \frac{\sqrt{(-1)^m \chi}}{\pi^m} \\ &\left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^m (\alpha_k (\cos 2\pi kx - 1) + \beta_k \sin 2\pi kx) \right) \\ &+(A + Bx + Cx^2 + \dots)x^{2m+1}, \quad |x| < 1, \end{aligned}$$

where $(A + Bx + Cx^2 + \dots)x^{2m+1}$ is the development of the series on the left hand side at $x = 0$, that is

$$z_0^x \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_x}{(1)_x} \right) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(1-x)_n}{(s_i-x)_n} \right) \sum_{k=0}^m a_k (-n+x)^{k-2m-1} z_0^{-n} = A + Bx + Cx^2 + \dots$$

4 Heuristic derivation of a p -adic mate

Let

$$S(N) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} R(n) - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} R(n+N) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} R(n).$$

As in a Ramanujan-like series each $s_k < 1/2$ has a companion $1 - s_k$, we notice that

$$e^{i\pi x} \prod_{s_k} \frac{1 - \cos \pi s_k}{\cos \pi x - \cos \pi s_k} = e^{i\pi x} \prod_{s_k=\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{\cos \pi x} \prod_{s_k < \frac{1}{2}} \frac{1 - \cos^2 \pi s_k}{\cos^2 \pi x - \cos^2 \pi s_k}$$

tends to 1 as $x \rightarrow N$ because there is an odd number of factors when $s_k = 1/2$. Hence for $x \rightarrow N$, we formally have

$$\begin{aligned} S(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} R(n) - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} R(n+x) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{(-1)^m \chi}}{\pi^m} \left(\sum_{k=1}^m (\alpha_k (\cos 2\pi kx - 1) + \beta_k \sin 2\pi kx) \right) \\ &\quad +(A + Bx + Cx^2 + \dots)x^{2m+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$G(x) = \frac{\sqrt{(-1)^m \chi}}{\pi^m} \sum_{k=1}^m (\alpha_k (\cos 2\pi kx - 1) + \beta_k \sin 2\pi kx).$$

For obtaining the p -adic analogues $G_p(xp)$ and $G_p(x)$, we develop $G(xp)$ and $G(x)$ in powers of x . Then, replace the powers of π using values of Dirichlet L -functions, and the L -functions with the corresponding p -adic L -functions. Finally, the standard properties of the L_p -functions dictate turning even powers of π to 0 when $\chi > 0$, or odd powers of π when $\chi < 0$. After making the replacements, we see that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow v} \frac{G_p(xp)}{G_p(x)} = p^m.$$

For $x = v$, where $v = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, we see that

$$z_0^v \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_v}{(1)_v} \right) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(1-v)_n}{(s_i-v)_n} \right) \sum_{k=0}^m a_k (-n+v)^{k-2m-1} z_0^{-n} = A' + B'v + C'v^2 + \dots,$$

where

$$A' = z_0^v \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_v}{(1)_v} \right) A, \quad B' = z_0^v \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_v}{(1)_v} \right) B, \dots$$

On the other hand, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} S(v) &= (A' + B'v + C'v^2 + \dots)v^{2m+1} \\ &= z_0^v \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_v}{(1)_v} \right) (A + Bv + C'v^2 + \dots)v^{2m+1}. \end{aligned}$$

To get the p -adic mate of $S(x)$ we must divide $S_p(vp)$ enter $S_p(v)$, taking into account that the contribution of $G(x)$ is $(\chi/p)p^m$, and the contribution of the left hand sum is given by

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{(A_p + B_pvp + C_p v^2 p^2 + \dots)p^{2m+1} v^{2m+1}}{(A + Bv + C'v^2 + \dots)_p v^{2m+1}} \\ &= z_0^v \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_v}{(1)_v} \right) \frac{(A_p + B_pvp + C_p v^2 p^2 + \dots)p^{2m+1} v^{2m+1}}{S_p(v)}. \end{aligned}$$

Associating (χ/p) to $S_p(vp)$ and noting that $\Gamma_p(1/2)^{4m} = 1$ by the properties of the p -adic Γ -function, we have

$$S(vp) = S(v) \left(\frac{\chi}{p} \right) p^m + T(v)(A_p + B_pvp + C_p v^2 p^2 + \dots)p^{2m+1} v^{2m+1},$$

where $A_p, B_p, C_p \dots$, are p -adic analogues of $A, B, C \dots$, and

$$T(v) = z_0^v \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_v}{(1)_v} \right).$$

Observe that taking positive integers values of v we can eliminate some of the constants A_q, B_q, \dots , and obtain a new kind of supercongruences $(\text{mod } p^{2m+k})$. For example, eliminating A_q and B_q , we obtain supercongruences $(\text{mod } p^{2m+3})$ relating $S(p)$, $S(2p)$ and $S(3p)$.

We can apply a similar technique of bilateral series and p -adic mates to other kind of hypergeometric series, for example to those in [4].

5 Extended Zudilin’s supercongruences

The above p -adic mate has (among other consequences) a generalization for positive integers v of Zudilin’s $v = 1$ supercongruences [7] and [5], namely

$$S(vp) = S(v) \left(\frac{\chi}{p} \right) p^m \pmod{p^{2m+1}},$$

except for very few values of p .

Example 5.1 See the Ramanujan-like series [2, Eq. (1–3)]. Let

$$S(N) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n^5}{(1)_n^5} \left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)^n (20n^2 + 8n + 1)$$

If p is a prime number (except for very few of them), then

$$S(vp) \equiv S(v) \left(\frac{1}{p}\right) p^2 \pmod{p^5},$$

for positive integers v . Observe that for all prime p we have $(1/p) = 1$.

Example 5.2 See the Ramanujan-like series [2, Eq. (4–1)]. Let

$$S(N) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n^7}{(1)_n^7} \left(\frac{1}{64}\right)^n (168n^3 + 76n^2 + 14n + 1)$$

If p is a prime number (except for very few of them), then

$$S(vp) \equiv S(v) \left(\frac{-4}{p}\right) p^3 \pmod{p^7},$$

for positive integers v .

Example 5.3 See the Ramanujan-like series [2, Eq. (2–4)]. Let

$$S(N) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_n \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)_n \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)_n}{(1)_n^5} \left(\frac{-1}{80^3}\right)^n (5418n^2 + 693n + 29)$$

If p is a prime number (except for very few of them), then

$$S(vp) \equiv S(v) \left(\frac{5}{p}\right) p^2 \pmod{p^5},$$

for positive integers v .

6 Extended Zhao’s supercongruences

By identifying numerical approximations, we conjecture that $A = rL(\chi, m + 1)$, where r is a rational. The p -adic analogue of A is $A_p = rL_p(\chi, m + 1)$. We have the following supercongruences:

$$S(vp) \equiv \left(\frac{\chi}{p}\right) S(v) p^m + rz_0^v \left(\prod_{i=0}^{2m} \frac{(s_i)_v}{(1)_v}\right) L_p(\chi, m + 1) p^{2m+1} \pmod{p^{2m+2}}.$$

which generalizes for positive integers v the Yue Zhao’s supercongruences for $v = 1$ (author Y. Zhao at mathoverflow). To check these supercongruences use the following congruences

$$\begin{aligned} L_p(\chi, m + 1) &\equiv L(\chi, 2 + m - p) \pmod{p}, \\ \zeta_p(m + 1) &\equiv \frac{\text{bernoulli}(p - m - 1)}{m + 1} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Observe that $L(1, m + 1) = \zeta(m + 1)$ and $L_p(1, m + 1) = \zeta_p(m + 1)$. For Bernoulli numbers associated to χ see [6].

Example 6.1 See the Ramanujan-like series [2, Eq. (1–3)]. Let

$$S(N) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n^5}{(1)_n^5} \left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)^n (20n^2 + 8n + 1), \quad T(v) = \left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)^v \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_v^5}{(1)_v^5}.$$

If p is a prime number (except for very few of them), then

$$S(vp) \equiv S(v) p^2 + 448T(v)\zeta_p(3)v^5 p^5 \pmod{p^6},$$

for positive integers v .

Example 6.2 See the Ramanujan-like series [2, Eq. (4–1)]. Let

$$S(N) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n^7}{(1)_n^7} \left(\frac{1}{64}\right)^n (168n^3 + 76n^2 + 14n + 1), \quad T(v) = \left(\frac{1}{64}\right)^v \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_v^7}{(1)_v^7}.$$

If p is a prime number (except for very few of them), then

$$S(vp) \equiv S(v) \left(\frac{-4}{p}\right) p^3 + 1536T(v)L_p(-4, 4)v^7 p^7 \pmod{p^8},$$

for positive integers v .

Example 6.3 See the Ramanujan-like series [2, Eq. (2–4)]. Let

$$S(N) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_n \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)_n \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)_n}{(1)_n^5} \left(\frac{-1}{80^3}\right)^n (5418n^2 + 693n + 29),$$

and

$$T(v) = \left(\frac{-1}{80^3}\right)^v \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_v \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_v \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_v \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)_v \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)_v}{(1)_v^5}.$$

If p is a prime number (except for very few of them), then

$$S(vp) \equiv S(v) \left(\frac{5}{p}\right) p^2 + 42000T(v)L_p(5, 3)v^5 p^5 \pmod{p^6},$$

for positive integers v .

7 An application of the extended supercongruences

In next examples, we use the generalized Zudilin’s supercongruences to obtain the rational parameters of the rational Ramanujan series. For that aim (except for a global rational factor) we just need taking a sufficiently large prime p and m values of v . In addition, we can check that there is a rational r such that Zhao’s supercongruences hold for that prime p and those m values of v . Hence $A_p = rL_p(\chi, m + 1)$, and we conclude that $A = rL(\chi, m + 1)$. Finally, observe that if $|z_0| > 1$ then the series for A is convergent.

Example 7.1 We want to see that there is a series of the following form:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n^5}{(1)_n^5} \frac{(-1)^n}{4^n} (a_0 + a_1n + a_2n^2) = t_0 \frac{\sqrt{\chi}}{\pi^2}, \quad \chi = 1,$$

where a_0, a_1, a_2, t_0 are positive integers. Indeed, using the Wilf–Zeilberger (WZ method) we proved that $a_0 = 1, a_1 = 8, a_2 = 20$. Here

$$S(\nu p) - S(\nu)p^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p^5}, \quad \nu = 1, 2, 3, \dots,$$

and taking $p = 11$, and $\nu = 1, 2$, we get the linear system

$$\begin{aligned} 103175a_0 + 126304a_1 + 81213a_2 &\equiv 0 \pmod{11^5}, \\ 23608a_0 + 21777a_1 + 22319a_2 &\equiv 0 \pmod{11^5}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $a_0 = t$. From the above equations, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} -66812987t - 95491225a_2 &\equiv 0 \pmod{11^4}, \\ -35044211t - 95491225a_1 &\equiv 0 \pmod{11^4}. \end{aligned}$$

Solving the equations taking into account that the inverse $\pmod{11^4}$ of 95491225 is 12252, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= -14621t \pmod{11^4} = 20t, \\ a_1 &= -14633t \pmod{11^4} = 8t, \end{aligned}$$

Hence the solutions are of the following form:

$$a_0 = t, \quad a_1 = 8t, \quad a_2 = 20t.$$

Example 7.2 We want to know if there is a series of the following form:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_n \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)_n \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)_n (-1)^n}{(1)_n^5} \frac{(-1)^n}{48^n} (a_0 + a_1n + a_2n^2) = t_0 \frac{\sqrt{\chi}}{\pi^2}, \quad \chi = 1,$$

and where a_0, a_1, a_2, t_0 are positive integers. Using the PSLQ algorithm we conjecture that $a_0 = 5, a_1 = 63, a_2 = 252$ and $t_0 = 48$. Here

$$S(\nu p) - S(\nu)p^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p^5}, \quad \nu = 1, 2, 3, \dots,$$

and taking $p = 13$, and $\nu = 1, 2$, we get the linear system

$$\begin{aligned} 155250a_1 + 1838a_2 + 327490a_0 &\equiv 0 \pmod{13^5}, \\ 304350a_1 + 329224a_2 + 67674a_0 &\equiv 0 \pmod{13^5}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $a_0 = 5t$. From the above equations, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 26628a_1 + 7535t &\equiv 0 \pmod{13^4}, \\ 26628a_2 + 1579t &\equiv 0 \pmod{13^4}. \end{aligned}$$

As the inverse (mod 13^4) of 26628 is 9279, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= -28309t \pmod{13^4} = 252t, \\ a_1 &= -28498t \pmod{13^4} = 63t, \end{aligned}$$

Hence the solutions are: $a_0 = 5t, a_1 = 63t, a_2 = 252t$.

Example 7.3 We want to know if there is a series of the following form:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n^7}{(1)_n^7} \left(\frac{1}{64}\right)^n (a_0 + a_1n + a_2n^2 + a_3n^3) = t_0 \frac{\sqrt{-\chi}}{\pi^3}, \quad \chi = -4,$$

where a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, t_0 are positive integers. Using the PSLQ algorithm, we conjecture that $a_0 = 1, a_1 = 14, a_2 = 76, a_3 = 168$ and $t_0 = 16$. Here

$$S(vp) - S(v) \left(\frac{-4}{p}\right) p^3 \equiv 0, \pmod{p^7} \quad v = 1, 2, \dots,$$

and taking $p = 11$, and $v = 1, 2, 3$, we get the equations

$$2078533a_1 + 9963171a_2 + 11695266a_3 + 16073136a_0 \equiv 0 \pmod{11^7},$$

$$12453192a_1 + 988367a_2 + 3883033a_3 + 14086913a_0 \equiv 0 \pmod{11^7},$$

$$17113786a_1 + 2247378a_2 + 4011161a_3 + 7012796a_0 \equiv 0 \pmod{11^7}.$$

Let $a_0 = t$. From the above equations, we obtain

$$7854385a_1 + 3429250a_2 + 19159030t \equiv 0 \pmod{11^4},$$

$$3851936a_1 + 8961898a_2 + 5481146t \equiv 0 \pmod{11^4}.$$

Solving the equations, we obtain

$$a_1 = -11965t \pmod{11^4} = 14t,$$

$$a_2 = -1255t \pmod{11^4} = 76t,$$

$$a_3 = -14473t \pmod{11^4} = 168t.$$

Example 7.4 We want to know if there is a series of the following form:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_n \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_n \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)_n \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)_n}{(1)_n^5} \left(\frac{-1}{80^3}\right)^n (a_0 + a_1n + a_2n^2) = t_0 \frac{\sqrt{\chi}}{\pi^2}, \quad \chi = 5,$$

and where a_0, a_1, a_2, t_0 are positive integers. Using the PSLQ algorithm we conjecture that $a_0 = 29, a_1 = 693, a_2 = 5418$ and $t_0 = 128$. Here

$$S(\nu p) - S(\nu) \left(\frac{5}{p} \right) p^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{p^5}, \quad \nu = 1, 2, 3, \dots,$$

and taking $p = 41, a_0 = 29t$, and $\nu = 1, 2$, we get the linear system

$$76877806a_2 + 113924268a_1 + 43501045t \equiv 0 \pmod{41^5},$$

$$88965067a_2 + 84189111a_1 + 113390736t \equiv 0 \pmod{41^5}.$$

From the above equations, we obtain

$$38939a_1 + 32305t \equiv 0 \pmod{41^3},$$

$$29982a_2 + 4321t \equiv 0 \pmod{41^3}.$$

As the inverse of $38939 \pmod{41^3}$ is 55540 , we obtain

$$a_2 = -63503t \pmod{41^3} = 5418t,$$

$$a_1 = -68228t \pmod{41^3} = 693t,$$

Hence the solutions are: $a_0 = 29t, a_1 = 693t, a_2 = 5418t$.

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