

**On the number of representations of  $n$  as a  
linear combination of four triangular numbers II**

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**Abstract**

Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of integers and the set of positive integers, respectively. For  $a, b, c, d, n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $N(a, b, c, d; n)$  be the number of representations of  $n$  by  $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + dw^2$ , and let  $t(a, b, c, d; n)$  be the number of representations of  $n$  by  $ax(x-1)/2 + by(y-1)/2 + cz(z-1)/2 + dw(w-1)/2$  ( $x, y, z, w \in \mathbb{Z}$ ). In this paper we reveal the connections between  $t(a, b, c, d; n)$  and  $N(a, b, c, d; n)$ . Suppose  $a, n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $2 \nmid a$ . We show that

$$t(a, b, c, d; n) = \frac{2}{3}N(a, b, c, d; 8n + a + b + c + d) - 2N(a, b, c, d; 2n + (a + b + c + d)/4)$$

for  $(a, b, c, d) = (a, a, 2a, 8m)$ ,  $(a, 3a, 8k + 2, 8m + 6)$ ,  $(a, 3a, 8m + 4, 8m + 4)$  ( $n \equiv m + \frac{a-1}{2} \pmod{2}$ ) and  $(a, 3a, 16k + 4, 16m + 4)$  ( $n \equiv \frac{a-1}{2} \pmod{2}$ ). We also obtain explicit formulas for  $t(a, b, c, d; n)$  in the cases  $(a, b, c, d) = (1, 1, 2, 8)$ ,  $(1, 1, 2, 16)$ ,  $(1, 2, 3, 6)$ ,  $(1, 3, 4, 12)$ ,  $(1, 1, 3, 4)$ ,  $(1, 1, 5, 5)$ ,  $(1, 5, 5, 5)$ ,  $(1, 3, 3, 12)$ ,  $(1, 1, 1, 12)$ ,  $(1, 1, 3, 12)$  and  $(1, 3, 3, 4)$ .

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# 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of integers and the set of positive integers, respectively. Let  $\mathbb{Z}^4 = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ . For  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  set

$$N(a, b, c, d; n) = |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid n = ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + dw^2\}|$$

and

$$t(a, b, c, d; n) = \left| \left\{ (x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid n = a \frac{x(x-1)}{2} + b \frac{y(y-1)}{2} + c \frac{z(z-1)}{2} + d \frac{w(w-1)}{2} \right\} \right|.$$

The numbers  $\frac{x(x-1)}{2}$  ( $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) are called triangular numbers.

In 1828 Jacobi showed that

$$(1.1) \quad N(1, 1, 1, 1; n) = 8 \sum_{d|n, 4 \nmid d} d.$$

For  $d \in \{3, 5\}$ , in 1847 Eisenstein (see [13]) gave formulas for the number of proper representations of  $n$  by  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + dw^2$  (assuming that  $\gcd(x, y, z, w) = 1$ ). From 1859 to 1866 Liouville made about 90 conjectures on  $N(a, b, c, d; n)$  in a series of papers. Most conjectures of Liouville have been proved. See [2-9], Cooper's survey paper [12], Dickson's historical comments [13] and Williams' book [19].

Let  $\mathbb{N}^4 = \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  and

$$t'(a, b, c, d; n) = \left| \left\{ (x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \mid n = a \frac{x(x-1)}{2} + b \frac{y(y-1)}{2} + c \frac{z(z-1)}{2} + d \frac{w(w-1)}{2} \right\} \right|.$$

As  $\frac{1}{2}x(x-1) = \frac{1}{2}(-x+1)(-x)$  we have  $t(a, b, c, d; n) = 16t'(a, b, c, d; n)$ . Let

$$\sigma(n) = \begin{cases} \sum_{d|n, d \in \mathbb{N}} d & \text{if } n \in \mathbb{N}, \\ 0 & \text{if } n \notin \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

In [14] Legendre stated that

$$(1.2) \quad t'(1, 1, 1, 1; n) = \sigma(2n+1).$$

In 2003, Williams [18] showed that

$$t'(1, 1, 2, 2; n) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{d|4n+3} (d - (-1)^{\frac{d-1}{2}}).$$

For  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $5 \leq a + b + c + d \leq 8$  let

$$C(a, b, c, d) = 16 + 4i_1(i_1 - 1)i_2 + 8i_1i_3,$$

where  $i_j$  is the number of elements in  $\{a, b, c, d\}$  which are equal to  $j$ . When  $5 \leq a + b + c + d \leq 7$ , in 2005 Adiga, Cooper and Han [1] showed that

$$(1.3) \quad C(a, b, c, d)t'(a, b, c, d; n) = N(a, b, c, d; 8n + a + b + c + d).$$

When  $a + b + c + d = 8$ , in 2008 Baruah, Cooper and Hirschhorn [10] proved that

$$(1.4) \quad C(a, b, c, d)t'(a, b, c, d; n) = N(a, b, c, d; 8n + 8) - N(a, b, c, d; 2n + 2).$$

In 2009, Cooper [12] determined  $t'(a, b, c, d; n)$  for  $(a, b, c, d) = (1, 1, 1, 3), (1, 3, 3, 3), (1, 2, 2, 3), (1, 3, 6, 6), (1, 3, 4, 4), (1, 1, 2, 6)$  and  $(1, 3, 12, 12)$ .

In a previous paper [17], the authors obtained explicit formulas for  $t(a, b, c, d; n)$  in the cases  $(a, b, c, d) = (1, 2, 2, 4), (1, 2, 4, 4), (1, 1, 4, 4), (1, 4, 4, 4), (1, 3, 3, 9), (1, 1, 9, 9), (1, 9, 9, 9), (1, 1, 1, 9), (1, 3, 9, 9)$  and  $(1, 1, 3, 9)$ .

Ramanujan's theta functions  $\varphi(q)$  and  $\psi(q)$  (see [11]) are defined by

$$(1.5) \quad \varphi(q) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} q^{n^2} = 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q^{n^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \psi(q) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{n(n+1)/2} \quad (|q| < 1).$$

It is evident that for  $|q| < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(a, b, c, d; n)q^n &= \varphi(q^a)\varphi(q^b)\varphi(q^c)\varphi(q^d), \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t'(a, b, c, d; n)q^n &= \psi(q^a)\psi(q^b)\psi(q^c)\psi(q^d). \end{aligned}$$

From [10, Lemma 4.1] we know that for  $|q| < 1$ ,

$$(1.6) \quad \varphi(q) = \varphi(q^4) + 2q\psi(q^8),$$

$$(1.7) \quad \psi(q)\psi(q^3) = \varphi(q^6)\psi(q^4) + q\psi(q^{12})\varphi(q^2),$$

$$(1.8) \quad \psi(q)^2 = \varphi(q)\psi(q^2).$$

By (1.6), for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$(1.9) \quad \varphi(q^k) = \varphi(q^{4k}) + 2q^k\psi(q^{8k}) = \varphi(q^{16k}) + 2q^{4k}\psi(q^{32k}) + 2q^k\psi(q^{8k}).$$

In this paper, by using Ramanujan's theta functions we reveal some connections between  $t(a, b, c, d; n)$  and  $N(a, b, c, d; n)$ . Suppose  $a, n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $2 \nmid a$ . We show that

$$t(a, b, c, d; n) = \frac{2}{3}N(a, b, c, d; 8n + a + b + c + d) - 2N(a, b, c, d; 2n + (a + b + c + d)/4)$$

for  $(a, b, c, d) = (a, a, 2a, 8m), (a, 3a, 8k + 2, 8m + 6), (a, 3a, 8m + 4, 8m + 4)$  ( $n \equiv m + \frac{a-1}{2} \pmod{2}$ ) and  $(a, 3a, 16k + 4, 16m + 4)$  ( $n \equiv \frac{a-1}{2} \pmod{2}$ ). Using the formulas for  $N(a, b, c, d; n)$  in [4-9] we also obtain explicit formulas for  $t(a, b, c, d; n)$  in the cases  $(a, b, c, d) = (1, 1, 2, 8), (1, 1, 2, 16), (1, 2, 3, 6), (1, 3, 4, 12), (1, 1, 3, 4), (1, 1, 5, 5), (1, 5, 5, 5), (1, 3, 3, 12), (1, 1, 1, 12), (1, 1, 3, 12)$  and  $(1, 3, 3, 4)$ .

Throughout this paper  $\left(\frac{a}{m}\right)$  is the Legendre-Jacobi-Kronecker symbol. For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a(n)$  is given by

$$q \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{2n})(1 - q^{4n})(1 - q^{6n})(1 - q^{12n}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a(n)q^n \quad (|q| < 1).$$

We remark that the  $q$ -series with coefficients  $a(n)$  is a cusp form of weight 2. It is known that ([15, p.4853])  $a(n)$  is a multiplicative function of  $n$ . In [16, Conjecture 2.1], the second author conjectured that

$$a(p) = -\left(\frac{p}{3}\right) \sum_{x=0}^{p-1} \left(\frac{x^3 - 39x - 70}{p}\right) \quad \text{for any prime } p > 3.$$

## 2. Four relations between $t(a, b, c, d; n)$ and $N(a, b, c, d; n)$

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $a \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$ . Then*

$$t(a, a, 2a, 8m; n) = \frac{2}{3}N(a, a, 2a, 8m; 8n + 8m + 4a) - 2N(a, a, 2a, 8m; 2n + 2m + a).$$

Proof. Suppose  $|q| < 1$  and  $a = 2s + 1$ . By (1.9),

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.1) \quad & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; n)q^n \\
 &= \varphi(q^{2s+1})^2 \varphi(q^{4s+2}) \varphi(q^{8m}) \\
 &= (\varphi(q^{32s+16}) + 2q^{8s+4} \psi(q^{64s+32}) + 2q^{2s+1} \psi(q^{16s+8}))^2 \\
 &\quad \times (\varphi(q^{16s+8}) + 2q^{4s+2} \psi(q^{32s+16})) \cdot (\varphi(q^{32m}) + 2q^{8m} \psi(q^{64m})) \\
 &= (\varphi(q^{32s+16})^2 + 4q^{16s+8} \psi(q^{64s+32})^2 + 4q^{4s+2} \psi(q^{16s+8})^2 \\
 &\quad + 4q^{8s+4} \varphi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{64s+32}) + 4q^{2s+1} \varphi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{16s+8}) \\
 &\quad + 8q^{10s+5} \psi(q^{64s+32}) \psi(q^{16s+8})) \\
 &\quad \times (\varphi(q^{16s+8}) \varphi(q^{32m}) + 2q^{8m} \varphi(q^{16s+8}) \psi(q^{64m}) + 2q^{4s+2} \psi(q^{32s+16}) \varphi(q^{32m}) \\
 &\quad + 4q^{8m+4s+2} \psi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{64m})).
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\varphi(q^{8k_1})^{m_1} \psi(q^{8k_2})^{m_2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n q^{8n}$  for any nonnegative integers  $k_1, k_2, m_1$  and  $m_2$ . From (2.1) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; 8n+4)q^{8n+4} \\
 &= 4q^{4s+2} \psi(q^{16s+8})^2 \cdot 2q^{4s+2} \psi(q^{32s+16}) \varphi(q^{32m}) \\
 &\quad + 4q^{4s+2} \psi(q^{16s+8})^2 \cdot 4q^{8m+4s+2} \psi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{64m}) \\
 &\quad + 4q^{8s+4} \varphi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{64s+32}) \cdot \varphi(q^{16s+8}) \varphi(q^{32m}) \\
 &\quad + 4q^{8s+4} \varphi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{64s+32}) \cdot 2q^{8m} \varphi(q^{16s+8}) \psi(q^{64m})
 \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; 8n+4)q^{8n} \\
 &= 8q^{8s} \psi(q^{16s+8})^2 \psi(q^{32s+16}) \varphi(q^{32m}) + 16q^{8m+8s} \psi(q^{16s+8})^2 \psi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{64m}) \\
 &\quad + 4q^{8s} \varphi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{64s+32}) \varphi(q^{16s+8}) \varphi(q^{32m}) \\
 &\quad + 8q^{8s+8m} \varphi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{64s+32}) \varphi(q^{16s+8}) \psi(q^{64m}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/8}$  in the above formula we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; 8n+4)q^n \\
 &= 8q^s \psi(q^{2s+1})^2 \psi(q^{4s+2}) \varphi(q^{4m}) + 16q^{m+s} \psi(q^{2s+1})^2 \psi(q^{4s+2}) \psi(q^{8m}) \\
 &\quad + 4q^s \varphi(q^{4s+2}) \psi(q^{8s+4}) \varphi(q^{2s+1}) \varphi(q^{4m}) + 8q^{s+m} \varphi(q^{4s+2}) \psi(q^{8s+4}) \varphi(q^{2s+1}) \psi(q^{8m}).
 \end{aligned}$$

By (1.8),

$$\varphi(q^{2s+1})\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{8s+4}) = \frac{\psi(q^{2s+1})^2}{\psi(q^{4s+2})} \cdot \frac{\psi(q^{4s+2})^2}{\psi(q^{8s+4})} \cdot \psi(q^{8s+4}) = \psi(q^{2s+1})^2\psi(q^{4s+2}).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; 8n+4)q^n \\ &= 12q^s\psi(q^{2s+1})^2\psi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{4m}) + 24q^{s+m}\psi(q^{2s+1})^2\psi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{8m}). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, from (2.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; 2n+1)q^{2n+1} \\ &= 4q^{2s+1}\varphi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{16s+8})\varphi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{8m}). \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/2}$  in the above formula we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; 2n+1)q^n \\ &= 4q^s\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{8s+4})\varphi(q^{2s+1})\varphi(q^{4m}) = 4q^s\psi(q^{2s+1})^2\psi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{4m}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; 8n+4)q^n \\ & - 3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; 2n+1)q^n \\ &= 24q^{s+m}\psi(q^{2s+1})^2\psi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{8m}) \\ &= 24q^{s+m} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t'(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; n)q^n \\ &= \frac{3}{2}q^{m+s} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t(2s+1, 2s+1, 4s+2, 8m; n)q^n. \end{aligned}$$

Comparing the coefficients of  $q^{n+m+s}$  on both sides we obtain the result.

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $a \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$ ,  $k, m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} t(a, 3a, 8k+2, 8m+6; n) &= \frac{2}{3}N(a, 3a, 8k+2, 8m+6; 8n+8k+8m+4a+8) \\ & \quad - 2N(a, 3a, 8k+2, 8m+6; 2n+2k+2m+a+2). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Suppose  $|q| < 1$  and  $a = 2s + 1$ . By (1.9),

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.2) \quad & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; n)q^n \\
&= \varphi(q^{2s+1})\varphi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+6}) \\
&= (\varphi(q^{32s+16}) + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32}) + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8})) \\
&\quad \times (\varphi(q^{96s+48}) + 2q^{24s+12}\psi(q^{192s+96}) + 2q^{6s+3}\psi(q^{48s+24})) \\
&\quad \times (\varphi(q^{32k+8}) + 2q^{8k+2}\psi(q^{64k+16})) \cdot (\varphi(q^{32m+24}) + 2q^{8m+6}\psi(q^{64m+48})) \\
&= (\varphi(q^{32s+16})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) + 2q^{24s+12}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96}) + 2q^{6s+3}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{48s+24}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) + 4q^{32s+16}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{192s+96}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{14s+7}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{48s+24}) + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{26s+13}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{192s+96}) + 4q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24})) \\
&\quad \times (\varphi(q^{32k+8})\varphi(q^{32m+24}) + 2q^{8m+6}\varphi(q^{32k+8})\psi(q^{64m+48}) + 2q^{8k+2}\psi(q^{64k+16})\varphi(q^{32m+24}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{8m+8k+8}\psi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{64m+48})).
\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\varphi(q^{8k_1})^{m_1}\psi(q^{8k_2})^{m_2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n q^{8n}$  for any nonnegative integers  $k_1, k_2, m_1$  and  $m_2$ . From (2.2) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; 8n+4)q^{8n+4} \\
&= 2q^{24s+12}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96}) \cdot \varphi(q^{32k+8})\varphi(q^{32m+24}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{24s+12}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96}) \cdot 4q^{8m+8k+8}\psi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{64m+48}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) \cdot \varphi(q^{32k+8})\varphi(q^{32m+24}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) \cdot 4q^{8m+8k+8}\psi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{64m+48}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24}) \cdot \varphi(q^{32k+8})\varphi(q^{32m+24}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24}) \cdot 4q^{8m+8k+8}\psi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{64m+48})
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; 8n+4)q^{8n} \\
&= 2q^{24s+8}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96})\varphi(q^{32k+8})\varphi(q^{32m+24}) \\
&\quad + 8q^{24s+8m+8k+16}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96})\psi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{64m+48}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48})\varphi(q^{32k+8})\varphi(q^{32m+24}) \\
&\quad + 8q^{8m+8k+8s+8}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48})\psi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{64m+48}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{8s}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24})\varphi(q^{32k+8})\varphi(q^{32m+24}) \\
&\quad + 16q^{8m+8k+8s+8}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24})\psi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{64m+48}).
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/8}$  in the above we obtain

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; 8n+4)q^n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2q^{3s+1}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{4k+1})\varphi(q^{4m+3}) \\
&\quad + 2q^s\psi(q^{8s+4})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\varphi(q^{4k+1})\varphi(q^{4m+3}) \\
&\quad + 8q^{3s+m+k+2}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{24s+12})\psi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{8m+6}) \\
&\quad + 8q^{m+k+s+1}\psi(q^{8s+4})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\psi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{8m+6}) \\
&\quad + 4q^s\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{4k+1})\varphi(q^{4m+3}) \\
&\quad + 16q^{m+k+s+1}\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\psi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{8m+6}).
\end{aligned}$$

Applying (1.7) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; 8n+4)q^n \\
&= 6q^s\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{4k+1})\varphi(q^{4m+3}) + 24q^{m+k+s+1}\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\psi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{8m+6}).
\end{aligned}$$

By (1.6),

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; n)q^n \\
&= \varphi(q^{2s+1})\varphi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+6}) \\
&= (\varphi(q^{8s+4}) + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8}))(\varphi(q^{24s+12}) + 2q^{6s+3}\psi(q^{48s+24}))\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+6})
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; 2n+1)q^{2n+1} \\
&= 2q^{6s+3}\varphi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{48s+24})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+6}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8})\varphi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+6}).
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/2}$  in the above formula we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; 2n+1)q^n \\
&= 2q^{3s+1}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{4k+1})\varphi(q^{4m+3}) + 2q^s\psi(q^{8s+4})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\varphi(q^{4k+1})\varphi(q^{4m+3}).
\end{aligned}$$

Now applying (1.7) we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; 2n+1)q^n = 2q^s\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{4k+1})\varphi(q^{4m+3}).$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; 8n+4)q^n \\
&\quad - 3\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; 2n+1)q^n
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 24q^{m+k+s+1}\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\psi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{8m+6}) \\
&= 24q^{m+k+s+1}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}t'(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; n)q^n \\
&= \frac{3}{2}q^{m+k+s+1}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}t(2s+1, 6s+3, 8k+2, 8m+6; n)q^n.
\end{aligned}$$

Comparing the coefficients of  $q^{m+n+k+s+1}$  on both sides we obtain the result.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $a \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$ ,  $m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $n \equiv m + \frac{a-1}{2} \pmod{2}$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned}
t(a, 3a, 8m+4, 8m+4; n) &= \frac{2}{3}N(a, 3a, 8m+4, 8m+4; 8n+16m+4a+8) \\
&\quad - 2N(a, 3a, 8m+4, 8m+4; 2n+4m+a+2).
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Suppose  $|q| < 1$  and  $a = 2s + 1$ . Using (1.9) we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.3) \quad &\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; n)q^n \\
&= \varphi(q^{2s+1})\varphi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{8m+4})^2 \\
&= (\varphi(q^{32s+16}) + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32}) + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8})) \\
&\quad \times (\varphi(q^{96s+48}) + 2q^{24s+12}\psi(q^{192s+96}) + 2q^{6s+3}\psi(q^{48s+24})) \\
&\quad \times (\varphi(q^{32m+16}) + 2q^{8m+4}\psi(q^{64m+32}))^2 \\
&= (\varphi(q^{32s+16})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) + 2q^{24s+12}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96}) + 2q^{6s+3}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{48s+24}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) + 4q^{32s+16}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{192s+96}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{14s+7}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{48s+24}) + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{26s+13}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{192s+96}) + 4q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24})) \\
&\quad \times (\varphi(q^{32m+16})^2 + 4q^{8m+4}\varphi(q^{32m+16})\psi(q^{64m+32}) + 4q^{16m+8}\psi(q^{64m+32})^2).
\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\varphi(q^{8k_1})^{m_1}\psi(q^{8k_2})^{m_2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n q^{8n}$  for any nonnegative integers  $k_1, k_2, m_1$  and  $m_2$ . From (2.3) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 8n+4)q^{8n+4} \\
&= \varphi(q^{32s+16})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) \cdot 4q^{8m+4}\varphi(q^{32m+16})\psi(q^{64m+32}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{24s+12}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96})(\varphi(q^{32m+16})^2 + 4q^{16m+8}\psi(q^{64m+32})^2) \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48})(\varphi(q^{32m+16})^2 + 4q^{16m+8}\psi(q^{64m+32})^2) \\
&\quad + 4q^{32s+16}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{192s+96}) \cdot 4q^{8m+4}\varphi(q^{32m+16})\psi(q^{64m+32}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24})(\varphi(q^{32m+16})^2 + 4q^{16m+8}\psi(q^{64m+32})^2)
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 8n+4)q^{8n}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= 4q^{8m} \varphi(q^{32s+16}) \varphi(q^{96s+48}) \varphi(q^{32m+16}) \psi(q^{64m+32}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{24s+8} \varphi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{192s+96}) \varphi(q^{32m+16})^2 \\
&\quad + 8q^{24s+16m+16} \varphi(q^{32s+16}) \psi(q^{192s+96}) \psi(q^{64m+32})^2 \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s} \psi(q^{64s+32}) \varphi(q^{96s+48}) \varphi(q^{32m+16})^2 \\
&\quad + 8q^{8s+16m+8} \psi(q^{64s+32}) \varphi(q^{96s+48}) \psi(q^{64m+32})^2 \\
&\quad + 16q^{32s+8m+16} \psi(q^{64s+32}) \psi(q^{192s+96}) \varphi(q^{32m+16}) \psi(q^{64m+32}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{8s} \psi(q^{16s+8}) \psi(q^{48s+24}) \varphi(q^{32m+16})^2 \\
&\quad + 16q^{8s+16m+8} \psi(q^{16s+8}) \psi(q^{48s+24}) \psi(q^{64m+32})^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/8}$  we then obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 8n+4) q^n \\
&= 4q^m \varphi(q^{4s+2}) \varphi(q^{12s+6}) \varphi(q^{4m+2}) \psi(q^{8m+4}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{3s+1} \varphi(q^{4s+2}) \psi(q^{24s+12}) \varphi(q^{4m+2})^2 + 2q^s \psi(q^{8s+4}) \varphi(q^{12s+6}) \varphi(q^{4m+2})^2 \\
&\quad + 8q^{3s+2m+2} \varphi(q^{4s+2}) \psi(q^{24s+12}) \psi(q^{8m+4})^2 + 8q^{s+2m+1} \psi(q^{8s+4}) \varphi(q^{12s+6}) \psi(q^{8m+4})^2 \\
&\quad + 16q^{4s+m+2} \psi(q^{8s+4}) \psi(q^{24s+12}) \varphi(q^{4m+2}) \psi(q^{8m+4}) \\
&\quad + 4q^s \psi(q^{2s+1}) \psi(q^{6s+3}) \varphi(q^{4m+2})^2 + 16q^{s+2m+1} \psi(q^{2s+1}) \psi(q^{6s+3}) \psi(q^{8m+4})^2.
\end{aligned}$$

By (1.7),

$$(2.4) \quad \psi(q^{8s+4}) \varphi(q^{12s+6}) + q^{2s+1} \varphi(q^{4s+2}) \psi(q^{24s+12}) = \psi(q^{2s+1}) \psi(q^{6s+3}).$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 8n+4) q^n \\
(2.5) \quad &= 4q^m \varphi(q^{4s+2}) \varphi(q^{12s+6}) \varphi(q^{4m+2}) \psi(q^{8m+4}) \\
&\quad + 16q^{4s+m+2} \psi(q^{8s+4}) \psi(q^{24s+12}) \varphi(q^{4m+2}) \psi(q^{8m+4}) \\
&\quad + 6q^s \psi(q^{2s+1}) \psi(q^{6s+3}) \varphi(q^{4m+2})^2 + 24q^{s+2m+1} \psi(q^{2s+1}) \psi(q^{6s+3}) \psi(q^{8m+4})^2.
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using (1.9) we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; n) q^n \\
&= \varphi(q^{2s+1}) \varphi(q^{6s+3}) \varphi(q^{8m+4})^2 \\
&= (\varphi(q^{8s+4}) + 2q^{2s+1} \psi(q^{16s+8})) (\varphi(q^{24s+12}) + 2q^{6s+3} \psi(q^{48s+24})) \varphi(q^{8m+4})^2
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 2n+1) q^{2n+1} \\
&= (2q^{6s+3} \varphi(q^{8s+4}) \psi(q^{48s+24}) + 2q^{2s+1} \psi(q^{16s+8}) \varphi(q^{24s+12})) \varphi(q^{8m+4})^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/2}$  we then obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 2n+1)q^n \\ &= (2q^{3s+1}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{24s+12}) + 2q^s\psi(q^{8s+4})\varphi(q^{12s+6}))\varphi(q^{4m+2})^2. \end{aligned}$$

Now applying (2.4) we get

$$(2.6) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 2n+1)q^n = 2q^s\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{4m+2})^2.$$

From (2.5) and (2.6) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 8n+4)q^n \\ & - 3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 2n+1)q^n \\ &= 4q^m\varphi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\varphi(q^{4m+2})\psi(q^{8m+4}) \\ & \quad + 16q^{4s+m+2}\psi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{4m+2})\psi(q^{8m+4}) \\ & \quad + 24q^{s+2m+1}\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\psi(q^{8m+4})^2 \\ &= 4q^m\varphi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\varphi(q^{4m+2})\psi(q^{8m+4}) \\ & \quad + 16q^{4s+m+2}\psi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{4m+2})\psi(q^{8m+4}) \\ & \quad + 24q^{s+2m+1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t'(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; n)q^n. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose  $n \equiv m+s \pmod{2}$ . Then  $s+2m+1+n \equiv m+1 \pmod{2}$ . Comparing the coefficients of  $q^{s+2m+1+n}$  in the above expansion we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 8(2m+n+s+1)+4) \\ & - 3N(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; 2(2m+n+s+1)+1) \\ &= 24t'(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; n) = \frac{3}{2}t(2s+1, 6s+3, 8m+4, 8m+4; n). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $a \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$ ,  $k, m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $n \equiv \frac{a-1}{2} \pmod{2}$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} t(a, 3a, 16k+4, 16m+4; n) &= \frac{2}{3}N(a, 3a, 16k+4, 16m+4; 8n+16k+16m+4a+8) \\ & \quad - 2N(a, 3a, 16k+4, 16m+4; 2n+4k+4m+a+2). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Suppose  $|q| < 1$  and  $a = 2s + 1$ . Using (1.9) we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.7) \quad & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; n)q^n \\
&= \varphi(q^{2s+1})\varphi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{16m+4}) \\
&= (\varphi(q^{32s+16}) + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32}) + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8})) \\
&\quad \times (\varphi(q^{96s+48}) + 2q^{24s+12}\psi(q^{192s+96}) + 2q^{6s+3}\psi(q^{48s+24})) \\
&\quad \times (\varphi(q^{64k+16}) + 2q^{16k+4}\psi(q^{128k+32})) \cdot (\varphi(q^{64m+16}) + 2q^{16m+4}\psi(q^{128m+32})) \\
&= (\varphi(q^{32s+16})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) + 2q^{24s+12}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96}) + 2q^{6s+3}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{48s+24}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) + 4q^{32s+16}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{192s+96}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{14s+7}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{48s+24}) + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8})\varphi(q^{96s+48}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{26s+13}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{192s+96}) + 4q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24})) \\
&\quad \times (\varphi(q^{64k+16})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) + 2q^{16m+4}\varphi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{128m+32}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{16k+4}\psi(q^{128k+32})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) + 4q^{16k+16m+8}\psi(q^{128k+32})\psi(q^{128m+32})).
\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\varphi(q^{8k_1})^{m_1}\psi(q^{8k_2})^{m_2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n q^{8n}$  for any nonnegative integers  $k_1, k_2, m_1$  and  $m_2$ . From (2.7) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 8n+4)q^{8n+4} \\
&= \varphi(q^{32s+16})\varphi(q^{96s+48})(2q^{16m+4}\varphi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{128m+32}) + 2q^{16k+4}\psi(q^{128k+32})\varphi(q^{64m+16})) \\
&\quad + 2q^{24s+12}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96})(\varphi(q^{64k+16})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{16k+16m+8}\psi(q^{128k+32})\psi(q^{128m+32})) \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48})(\varphi(q^{64k+16})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{16k+16m+8}\psi(q^{128k+32})\psi(q^{128m+32})) \\
&\quad + 4q^{32s+16}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{192s+96})(2q^{16m+4}\varphi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{128m+32}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{16k+4}\psi(q^{128k+32})\varphi(q^{64m+16})) \\
&\quad + 4q^{8s+4}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24})(\varphi(q^{64k+16})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) \\
&\quad + 4q^{16k+16m+8}\psi(q^{128k+32})\psi(q^{128m+32}))
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 8n+4)q^{8n} \\
&= 2q^{16m}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\varphi(q^{96s+48})\varphi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{128m+32}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{16k}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\varphi(q^{96s+48})\psi(q^{128k+32})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{24s+8}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96})\varphi(q^{64k+16})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) \\
&\quad + 8q^{24s+16k+16m+16}\varphi(q^{32s+16})\psi(q^{192s+96})\psi(q^{128k+32})\psi(q^{128m+32}) \\
&\quad + 2q^{8s}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48})\varphi(q^{64k+16})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) \\
&\quad + 8q^{8s+16k+16m+8}\psi(q^{64s+32})\varphi(q^{96s+48})\psi(q^{128k+32})\psi(q^{128m+32})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + 8q^{32s+16m+16}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{192s+96})\varphi(q^{64k+16})\psi(q^{128m+32}) \\
& + 8q^{32s+16k+16}\psi(q^{64s+32})\psi(q^{192s+96})\psi(q^{128k+32})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) \\
& + 4q^{8s}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24})\varphi(q^{64k+16})\varphi(q^{64m+16}) \\
& + 16q^{8s+16k+16m+8}\psi(q^{16s+8})\psi(q^{48s+24})\psi(q^{128k+32})\psi(q^{128m+32}).
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/8}$  in the above we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 8n+4)q^n \\
& = 2q^{2m}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{16m+4}) \\
& \quad + 2q^{2k}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\psi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\
& \quad + 2q^{3s+1}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\
& \quad + 2q^s\psi(q^{8s+4})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\
& \quad + 8q^{3s+2k+2m+2}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{24s+12})\psi(q^{16k+4})\psi(q^{16m+4}) \\
& \quad + 8q^{s+2k+2m+1}\psi(q^{8s+4})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\psi(q^{16k+4})\psi(q^{16m+4}) \\
& \quad + 8q^{4s+2m+2}\psi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{16m+4}) \\
& \quad + 8q^{4s+2k+2}\psi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{24s+12})\psi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\
& \quad + 4q^s\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\
& \quad + 16q^{s+2k+2m+1}\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\psi(q^{16k+4})\psi(q^{16m+4}).
\end{aligned}$$

By (1.7),

$$\psi(q^{8s+4})\varphi(q^{12s+6}) + q^{2s+1}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{24s+12}) = \psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3}).$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 8n+4)q^n \\
& = 2q^{2m}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{16m+4}) \\
& \quad + 2q^{2k}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\psi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\
& \quad + 8q^{4s+2m+2}\psi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{16m+4}) \\
& \quad + 8q^{4s+2k+2}\psi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{24s+12})\psi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\
& \quad + 6q^s\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\
& \quad + 24q^{s+2k+2m+1}\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\psi(q^{16k+4})\psi(q^{16m+4}).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

On the other hand, using (1.9) we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; n)q^n \\
& = \varphi(q^{2s+1})\varphi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{16m+4}) \\
& = (\varphi(q^{8s+4}) + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8}))(\varphi(q^{24s+12}) + 2q^{6s+3}\psi(q^{48s+24}))\varphi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{16m+4})
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 2n+1)q^{2n+1} \\ &= 2q^{6s+3}\varphi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{48s+24})\varphi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{16m+4}) \\ & \quad + 2q^{2s+1}\psi(q^{16s+8})\varphi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{16m+4}). \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/2}$  in the above formula we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 2n+1)q^n \\ &= 2q^{3s+1}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\psi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) + 2q^s\psi(q^{8s+4})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\varphi(q^{8m+2}). \end{aligned}$$

Now applying (1.7) we get

$$(2.9) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 2n+1)q^n \\ &= 2q^s\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\varphi(q^{8m+2})\varphi(q^{8k+2}). \end{aligned}$$

From (2.8) and (2.9) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 8n+4)q^n \\ & \quad - 3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 2n+1)q^n \\ &= 2q^{2m}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{16m+4}) \\ & \quad + 2q^{2k}\varphi(q^{4s+2})\varphi(q^{12s+6})\psi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\ & \quad + 8q^{4s+2m+2}\psi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{24s+12})\varphi(q^{8k+2})\psi(q^{16m+4}) \\ & \quad + 8q^{4s+2k+2}\psi(q^{8s+4})\psi(q^{24s+12})\psi(q^{16k+4})\varphi(q^{8m+2}) \\ & \quad + 24q^{s+2k+2m+1}\psi(q^{2s+1})\psi(q^{6s+3})\psi(q^{16k+4})\psi(q^{16m+4}). \end{aligned}$$

Suppose  $n \equiv s \pmod{2}$ . Then  $n+s+2k+2m+1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . Comparing the coefficients of  $q^{n+s+2k+2m+1}$  in the above expansion we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 8(n+s+2k+2m+1)+4) \\ & \quad - 3N(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; 2(n+s+2k+2m+1)+1) \\ &= 24t'(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; n) = \frac{3}{2}t(2s+1, 6s+3, 16k+4, 16m+4; n). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

### 3. Formulas for $t(1, 1, 2, 8; n)$ , $t(1, 1, 2, 16; n)$ , $t(1, 2, 3, 6; n)$ and $t(1, 3, 4, 12; n)$

From now on we assume that  $\mathbb{Z}^2 = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Lemma 3.1** ([5, Theorem 4.3]). *Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n = 2^\alpha n_1$  and  $2 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$N(1, 1, 2, 8; n) = \begin{cases} 2\sigma(n_1) + 2\left(\frac{2}{n_1}\right) \sum_{\substack{(r,s) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, 4|r-1 \\ n_1 = r^2 + 4s^2}} r & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ 2\sigma(n_1) & \text{if } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, \\ 12\sigma(n_1) & \text{if } n \equiv 4 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then*

$$t(1, 1, 2, 8; n) = \begin{cases} 4\sigma(2n+3) & \text{if } 2 \mid n, \\ 4\sigma(2n+3) + 4(-1)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \sum_{\substack{(r,s) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, 4|r-1 \\ 2n+3 = r^2 + 4s^2}} r & \text{if } 2 \nmid n. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Taking  $a = m = 1$  in Theorem 2.1 we see that

$$t(1, 1, 2, 8; n) = \frac{2}{3}N(1, 1, 2, 8; 8n+12) - 2N(1, 1, 2, 8; 2n+3).$$

Now applying Lemma 3.1 we deduce the result.

**Lemma 3.2** ([5, Theorem 4.15]). *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n = 2^\alpha n_1$  with  $2 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$N(1, 1, 2, 16; n) = \begin{cases} 2 \sum_{d|n_1} \frac{n_1}{d} \left(\frac{2}{d}\right) + 2 \sum_{\substack{(r,s) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, 4|r-1 \\ n_1 = r^2 + 2s^2}} r & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ 12 \sum_{d|n_1} \frac{n_1}{d} \left(\frac{2}{d}\right) & \text{if } n \equiv 4 \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then*

$$t(1, 1, 2, 16; n) = 4 \sum_{d|2n+5} \frac{2n+5}{d} \left(\frac{2}{d}\right) - 4 \sum_{\substack{(r,s) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, 4|r-1 \\ 2n+5 = r^2 + 2s^2}} r.$$

Proof. Taking  $a = 1$  and  $m = 2$  in Theorem 2.1 we see that

$$t(1, 1, 2, 16; n) = \frac{2}{3}N(1, 1, 2, 16; 8n+20) - 2N(1, 1, 2, 16; 2n+5).$$

Now applying Lemma 3.2 we deduce the result.

**Lemma 3.3** ([4, Theorem 1.15]). *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n = 2^\alpha 3^\beta n_1$  and  $\gcd(n_1, 6) = 1$ . Then*

$$N(1, 2, 3, 6; n) = \begin{cases} (3^{\beta+1} - 2)\sigma(n_1) + a(n) & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ 6(3^{\beta+1} - 2)\sigma(n_1) & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $2n+3 = 3^\beta n_1$  with  $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $3 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$t(1, 2, 3, 6; n) = 2(3^{\beta+1} - 2)\sigma(n_1) - 2a(2n+3).$$

Proof. Taking  $a = 1$  and  $k = m = 0$  in Theorem 2.2 we see that

$$t(1, 2, 3, 6; n) = \frac{2}{3}N(1, 2, 3, 6; 8n+12) - 2N(1, 2, 3, 6; 2n+3).$$

Now applying Lemma 3.3 we deduce the result.

**Lemma 3.4** ([4, Theorem 1.17]). *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n = 2^\alpha 3^\beta n_1$  with  $\gcd(n_1, 6) = 1$ . Then*

$$N(1, 3, 4, 12; n) = \begin{cases} 8\sigma(n_1) & \text{if } n \equiv 4 \pmod{8}, \\ \sigma(n_1) + a(n) & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ \sigma(n_1) - a(n) & \text{if } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3.4.** *Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $2n + 5 = 3^\beta n_1$  with  $3 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$t(1, 3, 4, 12; n) = 2(\sigma(n_1) - (-1)^n a(2n + 5)).$$

Proof. Suppose  $|q| < 1$ . Then clearly

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; n)q^n = \varphi(q)\varphi(q^3)\varphi(q^4)\varphi(q^{12}).$$

By (1.9),

$$\begin{aligned} & \varphi(q)\varphi(q^3)\varphi(q^4)\varphi(q^{12}) \\ &= (\varphi(q^{16}) + 2q^4\psi(q^{32}) + 2q\psi(q^8)) \\ & \quad \times (\varphi(q^{48}) + 2q^{12}\psi(q^{96}) + 2q^3\psi(q^{24})) \\ & \quad \times (\varphi(q^{16}) + 2q^4\psi(q^{32})) \cdot (\varphi(q^{48}) + 2q^{12}\psi(q^{96})) \\ &= (\varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) + 2q^{12}\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96}) + 2q^3\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{24}) \\ & \quad + 2q^4\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48}) + 4q^{16}\psi(q^{32})\psi(q^{96}) + 4q^7\psi(q^{32})\psi(q^{24}) \\ & \quad + 2q\psi(q^8)\varphi(q^{48}) + 4q^{13}\psi(q^8)\psi(q^{96}) + 4q^4\psi(q^8)\psi(q^{24})) \\ & \quad \times (\varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) + 2q^{12}\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96}) + 2q^4\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48}) \\ & \quad + 4q^{16}\psi(q^{96})\psi(q^{32})). \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\varphi(q^{8k_1})^{m_1}\psi(q^{8k_2})^{m_2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n q^{8n}$  for any nonnegative integers  $k_1, k_2, m_1$  and  $m_2$ . From the above we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; 8n + 4)q^{8n+4} \\ &= \varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) \cdot 2q^{12}\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96}) + \varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) \cdot 2q^4\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48}) \\ & \quad + 2q^{12}\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96}) \cdot \varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) + 2q^{12}\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96}) \cdot 4q^{16}\psi(q^{96})\psi(q^{32}) \\ & \quad + 2q^4\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48}) \cdot \varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) + 2q^4\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48}) \cdot 4q^{16}\psi(q^{96})\psi(q^{32}) \\ & \quad + 4q^{16}\psi(q^{32})\psi(q^{96}) \cdot 2q^{12}\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96}) + 4q^{16}\psi(q^{32})\psi(q^{96}) \cdot 2q^4\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48}) \\ & \quad + 4q^4\psi(q^8)\psi(q^{24}) \cdot \varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) + 4q^4\psi(q^8)\psi(q^{24}) \cdot 4q^{16}\psi(q^{96})\psi(q^{32}) \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; 8n + 4)q^{8n} \\ &= 2q^8\varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48})\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96}) + 2\varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48})\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + 2q^8\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96})\varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) + 8q^{24}\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96})\psi(q^{96})\psi(q^{32}) \\
& + 2\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48})\varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) + 8q^{16}\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48})\psi(q^{96})\psi(q^{32}) \\
& + 8q^{24}\psi(q^{32})\psi(q^{96})\varphi(q^{16})\psi(q^{96}) + 8q^{16}\psi(q^{32})\psi(q^{96})\psi(q^{32})\varphi(q^{48}) \\
& + 4\psi(q^8)\psi(q^{24})\varphi(q^{16})\varphi(q^{48}) + 16q^{16}\psi(q^8)\psi(q^{24})\psi(q^{96})\psi(q^{32}).
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/8}$  in the above we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; 8n + 4)q^n \\
& = 2q\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6)\varphi(q^2)\psi(q^{12}) + 2\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6)\psi(q^4)\varphi(q^6) \\
& \quad + 2q\varphi(q^2)\psi(q^{12})\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6) + 8q^3\varphi(q^2)\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^4) \\
& \quad + 2\psi(q^4)\varphi(q^6)\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6) + 8q^2\psi(q^4)\varphi(q^6)\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^4) \\
& \quad + 8q^3\psi(q^4)\psi(q^{12})\varphi(q^2)\psi(q^{12}) + 8q^2\psi(q^4)\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^4)\varphi(q^6) \\
& \quad + 4\psi(q)\psi(q^3)\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6) + 16q^2\psi(q)\psi(q^3)\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^4) \\
& = 4q\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6)\varphi(q^2)\psi(q^{12}) + 4\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6)\psi(q^4)\varphi(q^6) \\
& \quad + 4\psi(q)\psi(q^3)\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6) + 16q^3\varphi(q^2)\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^4) \\
& \quad + 16q^2\psi(q^4)\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^4)\varphi(q^6) + 16q^2\psi(q)\psi(q^3)\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^4).
\end{aligned}$$

Now applying (1.7) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.1) \quad & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; 8n + 4)q^n \\
& = 8\psi(q)\psi(q^3)\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6) + 32q^2\psi(q)\psi(q^3)\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^4).
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using (1.9) we see that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; n)q^n = (\varphi(q^4) + 2q\psi(q^8))(\varphi(q^{12}) + 2q^3\psi(q^{24}))\varphi(q^4)\varphi(q^{12})$$

and so

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; 2n + 1)q^{2n+1} = 2q\psi(q^8)\varphi(q^{12})^2\varphi(q^4) + 2q^3\varphi(q^4)\psi(q^{24})\varphi(q^4)\varphi(q^{12}).$$

Replacing  $q$  with  $q^{1/2}$  we then obtain

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; 2n + 1)q^n = 2\psi(q^4)\varphi(q^6)^2\varphi(q^2) + 2q\varphi(q^2)\psi(q^{12})\varphi(q^2)\varphi(q^6).$$

Now applying (1.7) we get

$$(3.2) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; 2n + 1)q^n = 2\psi(q)\psi(q^3)\varphi(q^6)\varphi(q^2).$$

From (3.1) and (3.2) we deduce that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; 8n + 4)q^n - 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(1, 3, 4, 12; 2n + 1)q^n$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= 32q^2\psi(q)\psi(q^3)\psi(q^{12})\psi(q^4) = 32q^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t'(1, 3, 4, 12; n)q^n \\
&= 2q^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t(1, 3, 4, 12; n)q^n.
\end{aligned}$$

Comparing the coefficients of  $q^{n+2}$  on both sides we obtain

$$(3.3) \quad t(1, 3, 4, 12; n) = \frac{1}{2}N(1, 3, 4, 12; 8n + 20) - 2N(1, 3, 4, 12; 2n + 5).$$

Now applying Lemma 3.4 we deduce the result.

#### 4. Formulas for $t(1, 1, 3, 4; n)$ , $t(1, 1, 5, 5; n)$ , $t(1, 5, 5, 5; n)$ , $t(1, 3, 3, 12; n)$ , $t(1, 1, 1, 12; n)$ , $t(1, 1, 3, 12; n)$ and $t(1, 3, 3, 4; n)$

For  $a, b, c, d, n \in \mathbb{N}$  let

$$N_0(a, b, c, d; n) = |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid n = ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + dw^2, 2 \nmid xyzw\}|.$$

From [17, (4.1)] we know that

$$(4.1) \quad t(a, b, c, d; n) = N_0(a, b, c, d; 8n + a + b + c + d).$$

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  following [6] we define

$$\begin{aligned}
A(n) &= \sum_{d|n} d \left( \frac{12}{n/d} \right), & B(n) &= \sum_{d|n} d \left( \frac{-3}{d} \right) \left( \frac{-4}{n/d} \right), \\
C(n) &= \sum_{d|n} d \left( \frac{-3}{n/d} \right) \left( \frac{-4}{d} \right), & D(n) &= \sum_{d|n} d \left( \frac{12}{d} \right), \\
E(n) &= \sum_{\substack{(i,j) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \\ i,j \text{ odd} \\ 4n=i^2+3j^2}} (-1)^{\frac{i-1}{2}} i & \text{ and } & F(n) &= \sum_{\substack{(i,j) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \\ i,j \text{ odd} \\ 4n=i^2+3j^2}} (-1)^{\frac{j-1}{2}} j.
\end{aligned}$$

Suppose that  $n = 2^\alpha 3^\beta n_1$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are non-negative integers,  $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\gcd(n_1, 6) = 1$ . From [6, Theorem 3.1] we know that

$$(4.2) \quad
\begin{aligned}
A(n) &= 2^\alpha 3^\beta A(n_1), & B(n) &= (-1)^{\alpha+\beta} 2^\alpha \left( \frac{-3}{n_1} \right) A(n_1), \\
C(n) &= (-1)^{\alpha+\beta+\frac{n_1-1}{2}} 3^\beta A(n_1) & \text{ and } & D(n) = \left( \frac{3}{n_1} \right) A(n_1).
\end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 4.1** ([7, Theorem 7.2]). *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . Then*

$$N(1, 1, 3, 4; n) = 3A(n) - B(n) + \frac{3}{2}C(n) - \frac{1}{2}D(n) + E(n).$$

**Lemma 4.2** ([7, Theorem 7.2]). *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . Then*

$$N(1, 1, 4, 12; n) = \frac{3}{2}A(n) - \frac{1}{2}B(n) + \frac{3}{2}C(n) - \frac{1}{2}D(n) + \frac{1}{2}E(n) + \frac{3}{2}F(n).$$

**Theorem 4.1.** *Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $8n + 9 = 3^\beta n_1$  with  $3 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$t(1, 1, 3, 4; n) = \frac{1}{2} \left( 3^{\beta+1} \left( \frac{3}{n_1} \right) - 1 \right) \sum_{d|n_1} d \left( \frac{3}{d} \right) - \sum_{\substack{a, b \in \mathbb{N}, 2 \nmid a \\ 4(8n+9) = a^2 + 3b^2}} (-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}} a.$$

Proof. Since

$$\begin{aligned} & N(1, 1, 3, 4; 8n + 9) \\ &= |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 9 = x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2 + 4w^2\}| \\ &= |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 9 = x^2 + y^2 + 3(2z)^2 + 4w^2\}| \\ &\quad + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 9 = x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2 + 4w^2, 2 \nmid z\}| \\ &= |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 9 = x^2 + y^2 + 12z^2 + 4w^2\}| \\ &\quad + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 9 = x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2 + 4w^2, 2 \nmid xyzw\}| \\ &= N(1, 1, 4, 12; 8n + 9) + N_0(1, 1, 3, 4; 8n + 9) \\ &= N(1, 1, 4, 12; 8n + 9) + t(1, 1, 3, 4; n), \end{aligned}$$

we have  $t(1, 1, 3, 4; n) = N(1, 1, 3, 4; 8n + 9) - N(1, 1, 4, 12; 8n + 9)$ . Now applying Lemmas 4.1, 4.2 and (4.2) we deduce the result.

**Remark 4.1** Theorem 4.1 was conjectured by the authors in [17].

**Lemma 4.3 ([9, Theorem 7.1]).** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n = 2^\alpha 5^\beta n_1$  with  $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\gcd(n_1, 10) = 1$ . Then*

$$N(1, 1, 5, 5; n) = \begin{cases} 2(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(n_1) & \text{if } 2 \mid n, \\ \frac{2}{3}(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(n_1) + \frac{8}{3}c(n) & \text{if } 2 \nmid n. \end{cases}$$

where  $c(n)$  is given by

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

We remark that  $c(n)$  is a multiplicative function (see [15]), and the second author conjectured in [16] that

$$c(p) = -\left(\frac{p}{3}\right) \sum_{x=0}^{p-1} \left( \frac{x^3 - 12x - 11}{p} \right) \quad \text{for any prime } p > 3.$$

**Theorem 4.2.** *Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $2n + 3 = 5^\beta n_1$  with  $5 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$t(1, 1, 5, 5; n) = \frac{4}{3}(5^{\beta+1} - 3)\sigma(n_1) - \frac{8}{3}c(2n + 3).$$

Proof. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} & N(1, 1, 5, 5; 8n + 12) \\ &= |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 12 = x^2 + y^2 + 5z^2 + 5w^2\}| \\ &= |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 12 = (2x)^2 + (2y)^2 + 5(2z)^2 + 5(2w)^2\}| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 12 = x^2 + y^2 + 5z^2 + 5w^2, 2 \nmid xyzw\}| \\
& = N(1, 1, 5, 5; 2n + 3) + N_0(1, 1, 5, 5; 8n + 12) \\
& = N(1, 1, 5, 5; 2n + 3) + t(1, 1, 5, 5; n),
\end{aligned}$$

applying Lemma 4.3 we deduce the result.

**Lemma 4.4 ([9, Theorem 6.1]).** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then*

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

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
t(1, 5, 5, 5; n) & = \sum_{d|8n+16} (-1)^d \left( \left( \frac{5}{d} \right) + \left( \frac{5}{(8n+16)/d} \right) \right) d \\
& \quad - \sum_{d|2n+4} (-1)^d \left( \left( \frac{5}{d} \right) + \left( \frac{5}{(2n+4)/d} \right) \right) d
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
& N(1, 5, 5, 5; 8n + 16) \\
& = |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 16 = x^2 + 5y^2 + 5z^2 + 5w^2\}| \\
& = |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 16 = (2x)^2 + 5(2y)^2 + 5(2z)^2 + 5(2w)^2\}| \\
& \quad + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 16 = x^2 + 5y^2 + 5z^2 + 5w^2, 2 \nmid xyzw\}| \\
& = N(1, 5, 5, 5; 2n + 4) + N_0(1, 5, 5, 5; 8n + 16) \\
& = N(1, 5, 5, 5; 2n + 4) + t(1, 5, 5, 5; n),
\end{aligned}$$

applying Lemma 4.4 we deduce the result.

**Lemma 4.5 ([7, Theorem 7.2]).** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $2 \nmid n$ . Then*

$$N(1, 3, 3, 12; n) = A(n) + B(n) - \frac{1}{2}C(n) - \frac{1}{2}D(n) + F(n)$$

and

$$N(3, 3, 4, 12; n) = \frac{1}{2}(A(n) + B(n) - C(n) - D(n) - E(n) + F(n)).$$

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $8n + 19 = 3^\beta n_1$  with  $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $3 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
& t(1, 3, 3, 12; n) \\
& = \frac{1}{2} \left( 3^\beta \left( \frac{3}{n_1} \right) - 1 \right) \sum_{d|n_1} d \left( \frac{3}{d} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{a, b \in \mathbb{N}, \\ a \equiv b \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ 4(8n+19) = a^2 + 3b^2}} ((-1)^{\frac{a-1}{2}} a + (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} b).
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
& N(1, 3, 3, 12; 8n + 19) \\
& = |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 19 = x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 12w^2\}| \\
& = |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 19 = (2x)^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 12w^2\}|
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 19 = x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 12w^2, 2 \nmid x\}| \\
= & |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 19 = 4x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 12w^2\}| \\
& + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 19 = x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 12w^2, 2 \nmid xyzw\}| \\
= & N(4, 3, 3, 12; 8n + 19) + N_0(1, 3, 3, 12; 8n + 19) \\
= & N(3, 3, 4, 12; 8n + 19) + t(1, 3, 3, 12; n),
\end{aligned}$$

applying Lemma 4.5 and (4.2) we obtain the result.

**Lemma 4.6** ([4, Theorems 1.10 and 1.13]). *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n = 3^\beta n_1$  with  $3 \nmid n_1$ . For  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  we have*

$$N(1, 1, 3, 12; n) = 3\sigma(n_1) + a(n) \quad \text{and} \quad N(1, 1, 12, 12; n) = 2\sigma(n_1) + 2a(n).$$

**Theorem 4.5.** *Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $8n + 17 = 3^\beta n_1$  with  $3 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$t(1, 1, 3, 12; n) = \sigma(n_1) - a(8n + 17).$$

Proof. Since

$$\begin{aligned}
& N(1, 1, 3, 12; 8n + 17) \\
= & |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 17 = x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2 + 12w^2\}| \\
= & |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 17 = x^2 + y^2 + 3(2z)^2 + 12w^2\}| \\
& + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 17 = x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2 + 12w^2, 2 \nmid z\}| \\
= & |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 17 = x^2 + y^2 + 12z^2 + 12w^2\}| \\
& + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 17 = x^2 + y^2 + 3z^2 + 12w^2, 2 \nmid xyzw\}| \\
= & N(1, 1, 12, 12; 8n + 17) + N_0(1, 1, 3, 12; 8n + 17) \\
= & N(1, 1, 12, 12; 8n + 17) + t(1, 1, 3, 12; n),
\end{aligned}$$

applying Lemma 4.6 we deduce the result.

**Lemma 4.7** ([4, Theorems 1.16 and 1.23]). *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n = 3^\beta n_1$  with  $3 \nmid n_1$ . For  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  we have*

$$N(1, 3, 3, 4; n) = 3\sigma(n_1) - a(n) \quad \text{and} \quad N(3, 3, 4, 4; n) = 2\sigma(n_1) - 2a(n).$$

**Theorem 4.6.** *Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $8n + 11 = 3^\beta n_1$  with  $3 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$t(1, 3, 3, 4; n) = \sigma(n_1) + a(8n + 11).$$

Proof. Since

$$\begin{aligned}
& N(1, 3, 3, 4; 8n + 11) \\
= & |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 11 = x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 4w^2\}| \\
= & |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 11 = (2x)^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 4w^2\}| \\
& + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 11 = x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 4w^2, 2 \nmid x\}| \\
= & |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 11 = 4x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 4w^2\}| \\
& + |\{(x, y, z, w) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 8n + 11 = x^2 + 3y^2 + 3z^2 + 4w^2, 2 \nmid xyzw\}| \\
= & N(3, 3, 4, 4; 8n + 11) + N_0(1, 3, 3, 4; 8n + 11)
\end{aligned}$$

$$= N(3, 3, 4, 4; 8n + 11) + t(1, 3, 3, 4; n),$$

applying Lemma 4.7 we derive the result.

**Lemma 4.8** ([7, Theorem 7.2]). *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $2 \nmid n$ . Then*

$$N(1, 1, 1, 12; n) = 3A(n) - B(n) + \frac{3}{2}C(n) - \frac{1}{2}D(n) + 3F(n).$$

**Theorem 4.7.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $8n + 15 = 3^\beta n_1$  with  $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $3 \nmid n_1$ . Then*

$$t(1, 1, 1, 12; n) = \frac{1}{2} \left( 3^{\beta+1} \binom{3}{n_1} + 1 \right) \sum_{d|n_1} d \left( \frac{3}{d} \right) + 3 \sum_{\substack{a, b \in \mathbb{N}, 2 \nmid b \\ 4(8n+15) = a^2 + 3b^2}} (-1)^{\frac{b-1}{2}} b.$$

Proof. Since  $8n + 15 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 12w^2$  for  $x, y, z, w \in \mathbb{Z}$  implies that  $2 \nmid xyzw$ , we see that

$$t(1, 1, 1, 12; n) = N_0(1, 1, 1, 12; 8n + 15) = N(1, 1, 1, 12; 8n + 15).$$

Now the result follows from Lemma 4.8 and (4.2).

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