

Further q -supercongruences from the q -Pfaff–Saalschütz identity

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Abstract. Recently, Wei, Liu, and Wang gave a q -analogue of a supercongruence of Long and Ramakrishna [Adv. Math. 290 (2016), 773–808] from the q -Pfaff–Saalschütz identity. In this note, we present a generalization of Wei–Liu–Wang's q -supercongruence with one more parameter by using the q -Pfaff–Saalschütz identity and the method of 'creative microscoping' introduced by the second author and Zudilin again.

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1 Introduction

Let p be an odd prime and \mathbb{Z}_p the ring of all p -adic integers. Recall that Morita's p -adic Gamma function (see [12, Chapter 7]) is defined as follows:

$$\Gamma_p(0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_p(n) = (-1)^n \prod_{\substack{1 \leq k < n \\ p \nmid k}} k, \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Notice that \mathbb{N} is a dense subset of \mathbb{Z}_p with the p -adic norm $|\cdot|_p$. For each $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, the p -adic Gamma function $\Gamma_p(x)$ is given by

$$\Gamma_p(x) = \lim_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{N} \\ |x-n|_p \rightarrow 0}} \Gamma_p(n).$$

In 2006, Long and Ramakrishna [11, Proposition 25] established the following supercongruence: for any odd prime p ,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_k^3}{k!^3} \equiv \begin{cases} \Gamma_p\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^6 \pmod{p^3}, & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{6}, \\ -\frac{p^2}{3} \Gamma_p\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^6 \pmod{p^3}, & \text{if } p \equiv 5 \pmod{6}, \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

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where $(x)_n = x(x+1)\cdots(x+n-1)$ is the rising factorial. Later the second author [3, Theorem 1.1] obtained a partial q -analogue of the second case of (1.1): for $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(q; q^3)_k^3}{(q^3; q^3)_k^3} q^{3k} \equiv 0 \pmod{\Phi_n(q)^2}. \quad (1.2)$$

Here and in what follows, the q -shifted factorial is defined as

$$(x; q)_0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad (x; q)_n = (1-x)(1-xq)\cdots(1-xq^{n-1}) \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

and $\Phi_n(q)$ stands for the n -th cyclotomic polynomial in q :

$$\Phi_n(q) = \prod_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ \gcd(k, n) = 1}} (q - \zeta^k),$$

where ζ is an n -th primitive root of unity. For convenience, we will also adopt the compact notation:

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m; q)_n = (x_1; q)_n (x_2; q)_n \cdots (x_m; q)_n.$$

Moreover, the basic hypergeometric series ${}_{r+1}\phi_r$ is defined as

$${}_{r+1}\phi_r \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{r+1} \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_r \end{matrix}; q, z \right] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{r+1}; q)_k}{(q, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_r; q)_k} z^k.$$

Recently, using the q -Pfaff–Saalschütz identity (see [2, Appendix (II.12)]):

$${}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, a, b \\ c, q^{1-n}ab/c \end{matrix}; q, q \right] = \frac{(c/a, c/b; q)_n}{(c, c/ab; q)_n}, \quad (1.3)$$

together with the method of ‘creative microscoping’ introduced by the second author and Zudilin [6] and the Chinese remainder theorem for coprime polynomials, Wei, Liu, and Wang [14] gave the following complete q -analogue of (1.1): for any positive integer n with $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$, modulo $\Phi_n(q)^3$, we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(q; q^3)_k^3}{(q^3; q^3)_k^3} q^{3k} \equiv q^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(q^2; q^3)_{(n-1)/3}^2}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3}^2} \left(1 + [n]^2 \sum_{k=1}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{q^{3k-1}}{[3k-1]^2} \right), \quad (1.4)$$

where $[n] = (1 - q^n)/(1 - q)$ is the q -integer, and for any positive integer n with $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$, modulo $\Phi_n(q)^3$, we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^{(2n-1)/3} \frac{(q; q^3)_k^3}{(q^3; q^3)_k^3} q^{3k} \equiv q^{(2n-1)/3} \frac{(q^2; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3}^2}{(q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3}^2} \left(1 - [2n]^2 \sum_{k=1}^{(2n-1)/3} \frac{q^{3k-1}}{[3k-1]^2} \right). \quad (1.5)$$

For more recent q -supercongruences, we refer the reader to [1, 4, 5, 7–10, 13, 15] and references therein.

In this note, using the same method of Wei–Liu–Wang, we shall prove the following generalizations of the q -supercongruences (1.4) and (1.5).

Theorem 1.1. *Let n and s be positive integers with $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ and $s \leq (n-1)/3$. Then, modulo $\Phi_n(q)^3$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=s}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(q; q^3)_k^3 q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3; q^3)_k} \\ & \equiv \frac{(q; q^3)_s^3 (q^2, q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s} (q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3}} q^A \left(1 + [n]^2 \sum_{k=1}^{(n-1)/3-s} \frac{q^{3k+3s-1}}{[3k+3s-1]^2} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

where $A = 3s + (1+3s)((n-1)/3 - s)$.

It is easy to see that the $s = 0$ case of (1.6) reduces to (1.4). Letting $n = p$ be an odd prime and taking $q \rightarrow 1$ in (1.6), we obtain the following supercongruence: for any prime $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ and nonnegative integer $s \leq (p-1)/3$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=s}^{(p-1)/3} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_k^3}{(k-s)!(k+s)!k!} \\ & \equiv \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_s^3 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_{(p-1)/3-s} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_{(p-1)/3}}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_s (1)_{(p-1)/3+s} (1)_{(p-1)/3}} \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{(p-1)/3-s} \frac{p^2}{(3k+3s-1)^2} \right) \pmod{p^3}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.2. *Let n and s be positive integers with $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ and $s \leq (n-2)/3$. Then, modulo $\Phi_n(q)^3$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=s}^{(2n-1)/3} \frac{(q; q^3)_k^3 q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3; q^3)_k} \\ & \equiv \frac{(q; q^3)_s^3 (q^2, q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3+s} (q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3}} q^B \left(1 - [2n]^2 \sum_{k=1}^{(2n-1)/3-s} \frac{q^{3k+3s-1}}{[3k+3s-1]^2} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

where $B = 3s + (1+3s)((2n-1)/3 - s)$.

When $s = 0$, the q -supercongruence (1.7) reduces to (1.5). Similarly as before, from (1.7) we can deduce the following supercongruence: for any prime $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ and nonnegative integer $s \leq (p-2)/3$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=s}^{(2p-1)/3} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_k^3}{(k-s)!(k+s)!k!} \\ & \equiv \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_s^3 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_{(2p-1)/3-s} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_{(2p-1)/3}}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_s (1)_{(2p-1)/3+s} (1)_{(2p-1)/3}} \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^{(2p-1)/3-s} \frac{4p^2}{(3k+3s-1)^2} \right) \pmod{p^3}. \end{aligned}$$

2 Proof of Theorem 1.1

In order to prove Theorem 1.1, we first give two lemmas.

Lemma 2.1. *Let n and s be positive integers with $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ and $s \leq (n-1)/3$. Then, modulo $(1-aq^n)(a-q^n)$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=s}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_k q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_k} \\ & \equiv \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_s (q^2, bq^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_{(n-1)/3}} \left(\frac{q^{1+3s}}{b} \right)^{(n-1)/3-s}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

Proof. When $a = q^{-n}$ or $a = q^n$, the left-hand side of (2.1) is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=s}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(q^{1-n}, q^{1+n}, q/b; q^3)_k q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_k} \\ & = \sum_{k=0}^{(n-1)/3-s} \frac{(q^{1-n}, q^{1+n}, q/b; q^3)_{k+s} q^{3k+3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_k (q^3; q^3)_{k+2s} (q^3/b; q^3)_{k+s}} \\ & = \frac{(q^{1-n}, q^{1+n}, q/b; q^3)_s q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{2s} (q^3/b; q^3)_s} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{1-n+3s}, q^{1+n+3s}, q^{1+3s}/b \\ q^{3+6s}, q^{3+3s}/b \end{matrix}; q^3, q^3 \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

In view of the q -Pfaff–Saalschütz identity (1.3), the right-hand side of (2.2) can be simplified as

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(q^{1-n}, q^{1+n}, q/b; q^3)_s q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{2s} (q^3/b; q^3)_s} \cdot \frac{(q^{2+3s-n}, bq^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}{(q^{3+6s}, bq^{1-n}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}} \\ & = \frac{(q^{1-n}, q^{1+n}, q/b; q^3)_s (q^2, bq^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_{(n-1)/3}} \left(\frac{q^{1+3s}}{b} \right)^{(n-1)/3-s}, \end{aligned}$$

which is equal to the right-hand side of (2.1) for $a = q^{-n}$ or $a = q^n$. Namely, the q -congruence (2.1) holds modulo $1-aq^n$ and $a-q^n$. Since $1-aq^n$ and $a-q^n$ are coprime polynomials in q , we complete the proof. \square

Lemma 2.2. *Let n and s be positive integers with $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ and $s \leq (n-1)/3$. Then, modulo $1-bq^n$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=s}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_k q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_k} \\ & \equiv \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_s (aq^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}/a; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Proof. When $b = q^n$, the left-hand side of (2.3) is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=s}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(aq, q/a, q^{1-n}; q^3)_k q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^{3-n}; q^3)_k} \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{(n-1)/3-s} \frac{(aq, q/a, q^{1-n}; q^3)_{k+s} q^{3k+3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_k (q^3; q^3)_{k+2s} (q^{3-n}; q^3)_{k+s}} \\
&= \frac{(aq, q/a, q^{1-n}; q^3)_s q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{2s} (q^{3-n}; q^3)_s} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} aq^{1+3s}, q^{1+3s}/a, q^{1-n+3s} \\ q^{3+6s}, q^{3-n+3s} \end{matrix}; q^3, q^3 \right]. \tag{2.4}
\end{aligned}$$

By (1.3), the right-hand side of (2.4) can be simplified as

$$\frac{(aq, q/a, q^{1-n}; q^3)_s q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{2s} (q^{3-n}; q^3)_s} \cdot \frac{(aq^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}/a; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}{(q^{3+6s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} (q; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}},$$

which is just the right-hand side of (2.3) for $b = q^n$. Namely, the q -congruence (2.3) holds. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.1. It is obvious that the polynomials $(1 - aq^n)(a - q^n)$ and $b - q^n$ are coprime polynomials in q . Noticing the q -congruences

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{(b - q^n)(ab - 1 - a^2 + aq^n)}{(a - b)(1 - ab)} &\equiv 1 \pmod{(1 - aq^n)(a - q^n)}, \\
\frac{(1 - aq^n)(a - q^n)}{(a - b)(1 - ab)} &\equiv 1 \pmod{b - q^n},
\end{aligned}$$

and applying the Chinese remainder theorem for coprime polynomials, we are led to the following q -congruence: modulo $(1 - aq^n)(a - q^n)(1 - bq^n)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=s}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_k q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_k} \\
&\equiv \frac{(b - q^n)(ab - 1 - a^2 + aq^n)}{(a - b)(1 - ab)} \\
&\quad \times \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_s (q^2, bq^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_{(n-1)/3}} \left(\frac{q^{1+3s}}{b} \right)^{(n-1)/3-s} \\
&\quad + \frac{(1 - aq^n)(a - q^n)}{(a - b)(1 - ab)} \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_s (aq^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}/a; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}. \tag{2.5}
\end{aligned}$$

Taking $b = 1$ in (2.5) and using the identity

$$(1 - q^n)(1 + a^2 - a - aq^n) = (1 - a)^2 + (1 - aq^n)(a - q^n),$$

we arrive at the following q -congruence: modulo $\Phi_n(q)(1 - aq^n)(a - q^n)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=s}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(aq, q/a, q; q^3)_k q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3; q^3)_k} \\
& \equiv \frac{(aq, q/a, q; q^3)_s (q^2, q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} q^{3s+(1+3s)((n-1)/3-s)}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s} (q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3}} \\
& + \frac{(1 - aq^n)(a - q^n)(aq, q/a, q; q^3)_s q^{3s}}{(1 - a)^2 (q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s}} \\
& \times \left(\frac{(q^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}} - \frac{(aq^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}/a; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}} \right), \tag{2.6}
\end{aligned}$$

where we have utilized the q -congruence

$$\begin{aligned}
q^{(1+3s)((n-1)/3-s)} \frac{(q^2; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3}} &= \frac{q^{(1+3s)((n-1)/3-s)} (q^2; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_s (q^{3+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}} \\
&= \frac{(q^{2-n+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_s (q^{1-n}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}} \\
&\equiv \frac{(q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}} \pmod{\Phi_n(q)} \tag{2.7}
\end{aligned}$$

in the brackets.

By the L'Hôpital rule, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{a \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - aq^n)(a - q^n)}{(1 - a)^2} \left((q^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} - (aq^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}/a; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} \right) \\
& = [n]^2 (q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}^2 \sum_{k=1}^{(n-1)/3-s} \frac{q^{3k+3s-1}}{[3k + 3s - 1]^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Letting $a \rightarrow 1$ in (3.1) and applying the above limit, we obtain the following result: modulo $\Phi_n(q)^3$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=s}^{(n-1)/3} \frac{(q; q^3)_k^3 q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3; q^3)_k} \\
& \equiv \frac{(q; q^3)_s^3 (q^2, q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s} q^{3s+(1+3s)((n-1)/3-s)}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s} (q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3}} \\
& + \frac{[n]^2 (q; q^3)_s^3 (q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}^2 q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(n-1)/3+s} (q^3; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(n-1)/3-s}} \sum_{k=1}^{(n-1)/3-s} \frac{q^{3k+3s-1}}{[3k + 3s - 1]^2}. \tag{2.8}
\end{aligned}$$

Substituting (2.7) into (2.8) and noticing that the denominator of $\sum_{k=1}^{(n-1)/3-s} \frac{q^{3k+3s-1}}{[3k+3s-1]^2}$ is coprime with $\Phi_n(q)$, we complete the proof of the theorem. \square

3 Proof of Theorem 1.2

Note that $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ and $s \leq (n-2)/3$. Similarly to the proof of Theorem 1.1, we can prove that, modulo $(1 - aq^{2n})(a - q^{2n})(1 - bq^{2n})$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=s}^{(2n-1)/3} \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_k q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_k} \\
& \equiv \frac{(b - q^{2n})(ab - 1 - a^2 + aq^{2n})}{(a - b)(1 - ab)} \\
& \quad \times \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_s (q^2, bq^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s} q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3}} \left(\frac{q^{1+3s}}{b} \right)^{(2n-1)/3-s} \\
& \quad + \frac{(1 - aq^{2n})(a - q^{2n})}{(a - b)(1 - ab)} \frac{(aq, q/a, q/b; q^3)_s (aq^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}/a; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s} q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3+s} (q^3/b; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}}. \tag{3.1}
\end{aligned}$$

Then take $b = 1$ in (3.1) to obtain the following result: modulo $\Phi_n(q)(1 - aq^{2n})(a - q^{2n})$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=s}^{(2n-1)/3} \frac{(aq, q/a, q; q^3)_k q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3; q^3)_k} \\
& \equiv \frac{(aq, q/a, q; q^3)_s (q^2, q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s} q^{3s+(1+3s)((2n-1)/3-s)}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3+s} (q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3}} \\
& \quad + \frac{(1 - aq^{2n})(a - q^{2n})(aq, q/a, q; q^3)_s q^{3s}}{(1 - a)^2 (q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3+s}} \\
& \quad \times \left(\frac{(q^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}} - \frac{(aq^{2+3s}, q^{2+3s}/a; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}} \right), \tag{3.2}
\end{aligned}$$

where we have applied the q -congruence

$$q^{(1+3s)((2n-1)/3-s)} \frac{(q^2; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3}} \equiv \frac{(q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}}{(q^3; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}} \pmod{\Phi_n(q)}$$

in the brackets.

Letting $a \rightarrow 1$ in (3.2) and applying the L'Hôpital rule, we arrive at the following q -supercongruence: modulo $\Phi_n(q)^3$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=s}^{(2n-1)/3} \frac{(q; q^3)_k^3 q^{3k}}{(q^3; q^3)_{k-s} (q^3; q^3)_{k+s} (q^3; q^3)_k} \\
& \equiv \frac{(q; q^3)_s^3 (q^2, q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s} q^{3s+(1+3s)((2n-1)/3-s)}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3+s} (q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3}} \\
& \quad + \frac{[2n]^2 (q; q^3)_s^3 (q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}^2 q^{3s}}{(q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3+s} (q^3; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}} \sum_{k=1}^{(2n-1)/3-s} \frac{q^{3k+3s-1}}{[3k + 3s - 1]^2}. \tag{3.3}
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, it is routine to verify the congruence:

$$\begin{aligned}
& (q^3; q^3)_s (q; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s} \\
&= (q^3; q^3)_s (1-q)(1-q^4) \cdots (1-q^{2n-3-3s}) \\
&\equiv (q^3; q^3)_s (1-q^{1-2n})(1-q^{4-2n}) \cdots (1-q^{-3-3s}) \\
&= (-1)^{(2n-1)/3-s} q^{-(2n+2+3s)((2n-1)/3-s)/2} (q^3; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3} \pmod{\Phi_n(q)}, \tag{3.4}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{(q^{2+3s}; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}}{(q^2; q^3)_{(2n-1)/3-s}} = \frac{(q^{2n+1-3s}; q^3)_s}{(q^2; q^3)_s} \equiv \frac{(q^{1-3s}; q^3)_s}{(q^2; q^3)_s} = (-1)^s q^{-s(3s+1)/2} \pmod{\Phi_n(q)}. \tag{3.5}$$

Substituting (3.4) and (3.5) into (3.3) and noticing that $(-1)^{(2n-1)/3} = -1$, we finish the proof of Theorem 1.2.

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