

A note on certain transformations involving Lambert series

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Abstract: In this paper, making use of known summation formula [1] for bilateral basic hypergeometric series [5], an attempt has been made to established certain interesting results involving Lambert series [1] and continued fractions in q-series [5].

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1. Introduction, Notations and Definitions

For real or complex q , $|q| < 1$, the q -shifted factorial is defined by

$$(a, q)_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0; \\ (1 - a)(1 - aq)(1 - aq^2) \dots, (1 - aq^{n-1}) & \text{if } n \in N. \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

$$[a; q]_\infty = \prod_{r=0}^{\infty} (1 - aq^r) \quad (1.2)$$

and

$$[a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q]_n = \prod_{k=0}^r [a_k; q]_n \quad (1.3)$$

The Roger-Ramanujan's continued fraction is given by

$$R(q) = \frac{q^{1/5}}{1+} \frac{q}{1+} \frac{q^2}{1+} \frac{q^3}{1+} \dots \quad (1.4)$$

Using Rogers-Ramanujan identity, viz.

$$G(q) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n^2}}{[q; q]_n} = \frac{1}{[q; q^4; q^5]_\infty} \quad (1.5)$$