

ON “MIXED” MODULAR EQUATIONS OF DEGREE 21

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Abstract: In the proposed work, we establish a total of six new P - Q modular equations involving theta-function $f(-q)$ with moduli of orders 1, 3, 7 and 21. These equations can be regarded as modular identities in the alternate theory of signature 3. As a consequence, several values of quotients of theta-function are evaluated.

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1. Introduction

Throughout, we assume that $|q| < 1$, Ramanujan's general theta-function $f(a, b)$ is defined by

$$f(a, b) := \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a^{n(n+1)/2} b^{n(n-1)/2}, \quad |ab| < 1. \quad (1.1)$$