

ON CERTAIN RESULTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
TRANSFORMATIONS OF GENERALIZED
HYPERGEOMETRIC SERIES

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Abstract: In this paper, certain transformation formulas for ordinary hypergeometric series and also for q-hypergeometric series have been established.

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1. Introduction, Notations and Definitions

The theory of generalized hypergeometric series is the most important topic in the entire special function theory. In 1812, Gauss presented to the Royal Society of Sciences at Göttingen his famous paper in which he considered the infinite series

$$1 + \frac{ab}{c}z + \frac{a(a+1)b(b+1)}{c(c+1)1.2}z^2 + \frac{a(a+1)(a+2)b(b+1)(b+2)}{c(c+1)(c+2)1.2.3}z^3 + \dots, \quad (1.1)$$

as a function of a, b, c, z where it is assumed that $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$, so no zero factors appear in the denominators of the terms of the series (1.1). It is now customary to

use ${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z)$ or ${}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} a, b; z \\ c \end{matrix} \right]$ for this series. Now, ${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z)$ stands thus,

$${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{(c)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}, \quad (1.2)$$