

On certain transformations of basic hypergeometric functions

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Abstract: In this paper we shall attempt to establish certain interesting transformation of basic hypergeometric functions by exploiting certain known summation formulae.

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1. Notations

For any numbers a and q , real or complex and $|q| < 1$, let

$$[a; q]_n \equiv [\alpha]_n = \begin{cases} (1 - \alpha)(1 - \alpha q)(1 - \alpha q^2) \dots (1 - \alpha q^{n-1}); & n > 0 \\ 1 & n = 0 \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

Accordingly, we have

$$[a; q]_\infty = \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha q^n)$$

Also,

$$[a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_r; q]_n \equiv [a_1; q]_n [a_2; q]_n [a_3; q]_n \dots [a_r; q]_n. \quad (1.2)$$

Now, we define a basic hypergeometric function

$${}_r\Phi_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q; z \end{matrix} \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{[a_1; q]_n [a_2; q]_n \dots [a_r; q]_n z^n}{[q; q]_n [b_1; q]_n [b_2; q]_n \dots [b_s; q]_n} \quad (1.3)$$

valid for $|q| < 1$, $\lambda > 0$ and if $\lambda = 0$ then for $|z| < 1$.