

ON CERTAIN SUMMATION FORMULAE FOR
 q -HYPERGEOMETRIC SERIES

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Abstract: In this paper, making use of a transformation formula of basic bilateral q series due to Bailey, certain summation formulae of basic bilateral series have been established.

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1. Introduction, Notations and Definitions

Let q be a fixed complex parameter with $0 < |q| < 1$. The q -shifted factorial is defined for any complex parameter ' a ' by

$$(a; q)_{\infty} = \prod_{r=0}^{\infty} (1 - aq^r), \quad (a; q)_k = \frac{(a; q)_{\infty}}{(aq^k; q)_{\infty}},$$

where k is any integer.

For brevity, we write

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q)_n = (a_1; q)_n (a_2; q)_n \dots (a_r; q)_n.$$

Further, recall the definition of basic hypergeometric series

$${}_r\Phi_{r-1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q; z \end{matrix} \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q)_n z^n}{(q, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{r-1}; q)_n}, \quad (1.1)$$