

## ON CERTAIN DOUBLE SERIES IDENTITIES

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**Abstract:** In this paper, making use of Bailey transform and WP-Bailey transform, certain double series identities of Rogers-Ramanujan type have been established.

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### 1. Introduction, Notations and Definitions

In the present paper, we adopt the following notations and definitions. The  $q$ -rising factorial is defined by, for  $|q| < 1$ .

$$(a; q)_n = (1 - a)(1 - aq)\dots(1 - aq^{n-1}), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$(a; q)_0 = 1$$

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

and

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

With these notations, a basic hypergeometric series ( $q$ -series) is defined by,

$${}_r\Phi_s \left[ \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q; z \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_s \end{matrix} \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q)_n z^n}{(q, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_s; q)_n} \{(-1)^n q^{n(n-1)/2}\}.$$

Bailey [3,4] introduced a lemma which is simple but very useful. It states; If

$$\beta_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \alpha_r u_{n-r} v_{n+r} \quad (1.1)$$

and

$$\gamma_n = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \delta_{r+n} u_r v_{r+2n} \quad (1.2)$$

then under suitable convergence conditions

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n \gamma_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n \delta_n, \quad (1.3)$$

where  $\alpha_r, \delta_r, u_r, v_r$  are arbitrary sequences of  $r$  alone.

If we put the value of  $\beta_n$  from (1.1) in (1.3) and apply the identity,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^n A(n, r) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} A(n+r, r). \quad (1.4)$$

[5; Lemma (2.1 (2)) p. 100]

Then new form of the equation (1.3) becomes

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n \gamma_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \alpha_r u_n \delta_{r+n} v_{n+2r}. \quad (1.5)$$

In order to make application of the lemma, Bailey choose  $u_r = \frac{1}{(q; q)_r}$ ,  $v_r =$

$\frac{1}{(aq; q)_r}$  which gives the following result.

**Theorem 1**

If

$$\beta_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{\alpha_r}{(q; q)_{n-r} (aq; q)_{n+r}}, \quad (1.6)$$

$$\gamma_n = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{\delta_{r+n}}{(q; q)_r (aq; q)_{r+2n}}, \quad (1.7)$$

Then under suitable convergence conditions,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n \gamma_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_r \delta_{n+r}}{(q; q)_n (aq; q)_{n+2r}}. \quad (1.8)$$

Taking  $\delta_r = (\rho_1, \rho_2; q)_r \left( \frac{aq}{\rho_1 \rho_2} \right)^r$  in (1.7) we get

$$\gamma_n = \frac{(\rho_1, \rho_2; q)_n}{(aq; q)_{2n}} \left( \frac{aq}{\rho_1 \rho_2} \right)^n {}_2\Phi_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} \rho_1 q^n, \rho_2 q^n; q; \frac{aq}{\rho_1 \rho_2} \\ aq^{1+2n} \end{matrix} \right]. \quad (1.9)$$

Summing the  ${}_2\Phi_1$  series by using [6; App. IV (IV.2)] we have

$$\gamma_n = \frac{(aq/\rho_1, aq/\rho_2; q)_{\infty}}{(aq, aq/\rho_1 \rho_2; q)_{\infty}} \frac{(\rho_1, \rho_2; q)_n (aq/\rho_1 \rho_2)^n}{(aq/\rho_1, aq/\rho_2; q)_n}. \quad (1.10)$$

Putting these values of  $\gamma_n$  and  $\delta_n$  in (1.8) we finally get,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(aq/\rho_1, aq/\rho_2; q)_{\infty}}{(aq, aq/\rho_1 \rho_2; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\rho_1, \rho_2; q)_n}{(aq/\rho_1, aq/\rho_2; q)_n} \left( \frac{aq}{\rho_1 \rho_2} \right)^n \alpha_n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\rho_1, \rho_2; q)_{r+n} (aq/\rho_1 \rho_2)^{r+n}}{(q; q)_n (aq; q)_{n+2r}} \alpha_r, \end{aligned} \quad (1.11)$$

provided the infinite series are convergent and  $\alpha_0 = 1$ .

Taking  $\rho_1, \rho_2 \rightarrow \infty$ , (1.11) yields

$$\frac{1}{(aq; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n q^{n^2} \alpha_n = \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2} a^{n+r} \alpha_r}{(q; q)_n (aq; q)_{n+2r}}. \quad (1.12)$$

## 2. Special cases of (1.12)

In this section we shall establish certain double series identities by making use of (1.12)

(i) Taking  $\alpha_n = \frac{1}{(q; q)_n}$  in (1.12) we find,

$$(aq; q)_{\infty} \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2} a^{n+r}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_r (aq; q)_{n+2r}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n^2} a^n}{(q; q)_n}. \quad (2.1)$$

(ii) Choosing  $a = 1$  in (2.1) and using [1; (10.1.1) p. 241] we get

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_r (q; q)_{n+2r}} = \frac{1}{(q, q^4; q^5)_\infty}. \quad (2.2)$$

(iii) Taking  $a = q$  in (2.1) and using [1; (10.1.2) p. 241] we have,

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)(n+r+1)}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_r (q; q)_{n+2r+1}} = \frac{1}{(q^2, q^3; q^5)_\infty}. \quad (2.3)$$

(iv) Choosing  $a = 1, \alpha_r = \frac{1}{q^r (q; q)_r}$  in (1.12) we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} (q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2-r}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_r (q; q)_{n+2r}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n(n-1)}}{(q; q)_n} \\ &= \frac{1}{(q, q^4; q^5)_\infty} + \frac{1}{(q^2, q^3; q^5)_\infty}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

(v) Taking  $a = q$  and  $\alpha_r = 1$  in (1.12) and using [1; (1.1.7) p. 11] we get,

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)(n+r+1)}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{n+2r+1}} = \frac{(q^4; q^4)_\infty}{(q^2; q^4)_\infty}. \quad (2.5)$$

(vi) Taking  $a = 1, \alpha_r = \frac{1}{(q; q)_{2r}}$  in (1.12) and using [1; (11.2.1) p. 252] we obtain,

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{2r} (q; q)_{n+2r}} = \frac{1}{(q; q^2)_\infty (q^4, q^{16}; q^{20})_\infty}. \quad (2.6)$$

(vii) For  $a = q, \alpha_r = \frac{1}{(q; q)_{2r+1}}$  and by an appeal of the identity [1; (11.2.2) p. 252], (1.12) yields;

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)(n+r+1)}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{n+2r+1} (q; q)_{2r+1}} = \frac{1}{(q; q^2)_\infty (q^2, -q^3; -q^5)_\infty}. \quad (2.7)$$

(viii) Taking  $\alpha_r = \frac{1}{(q; q)_{2r}}, a = 1$  and using [1; (11.2.3) p. 252] we obtain,

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{n+2r+1} (q; q)_{2r}} = \frac{1}{(q; q^2)_\infty (-q, q^4; -q^5)_\infty}. \quad (2.8)$$

(ix) Taking  $\alpha_r = \frac{1}{(q; q)_{2r+1}}$ ,  $a = q^2$  in (1.12) and making use of [1; (11.2.4) p. 252] we have,

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)(n+r+2)}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{2r+1} (q; q)_{n+2r+2}} = \frac{1}{(q; q^2)_\infty (q^8, q^{12}; q^{20})_\infty}. \quad (2.9)$$

(x) Taking  $a = 1$ ,  $\alpha_r = \frac{(-q; q^2)_r}{(q; q)_{2r}}$  in (1.12) and using [1; (11.3.4) p. 254] we obtain,

$$(q; q)_\infty^2 \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2} (-q; q^2)_r}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{n+2r} (q; q)_{2r}} = (q^6; q^{12})_\infty (q^{12}; q^{12})_\infty. \quad (2.10)$$

(xi) Taking  $\alpha_r = \frac{1}{(q; q)_r (aq; q)_r}$  in (1.12) and using [1; (6.2.31), p. 152] we get,

$$\sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2} a^{n+r}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_r (aq; q)_r (aq; q)_{n+2r}} = \frac{1}{(aq; q)_\infty^2}. \quad (2.11)$$

For  $a = 1$ , (2.11) yields

$$\sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_r^2 (q; q)_{n+2r}} = \frac{1}{(q; q)_\infty^2}. \quad (2.12)$$

For  $a = -1$ , (2.11) yields

$$\sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2} (-1)^{n+r}}{(q; q)_n (q^2; q^2)_r (-q; q)_{n+2r}} = \frac{1}{(-q; q)_\infty^2}. \quad (2.13)$$

(xii) Taking  $\alpha_r = (-1)^r q^r$  in (1.12) and using [1; (6.2.29), p. 152] we get,

$$\begin{aligned} & (aq; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{(n+r)^2} a^{n+r} (-q)^r}{(q; q)_n (aq; q)_{n+2r}} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+} \frac{aq^2}{1+} \frac{a(q^4 - q^2)}{1+} \frac{aq^6}{1+} \frac{a(q^8 - q^4)}{1+} \frac{aq^{10}}{1+} \dots \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

For  $a = -1$ , (2.14) yields

$$(-q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n q^{(n+r)^2+r}}{(q; q)_n (-q; q)_{n+2r}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-} \frac{q^2}{1-} \frac{(q^4 - q^2)}{1-} \frac{q^6}{1-} \frac{(q^8 - q^4)}{1-} \frac{q^{10}}{1-} \dots \quad (2.15)$$

Similarly, a large number of double series identities can be scored.

### 3. WP Bailey pair and double series identities

Andrews [1] changed the Bailey lemma by taking  $u_r = \frac{(k/a; q)_r}{(q; q)_r}$  and  $v_r = \frac{(k; q)_r}{(aq; q)_r}$  in the following form;

**Theorem 2** If

$$\beta_n(a, k) = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(k/a; q)_{n-r} (k; q)_{n+r}}{(q; q)_{n-r} (aq; q)_{n+r}} \alpha_r(a, k) \quad (3.1)$$

and

$$\gamma_n(a, k) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k/a; q)_r (k; q)_{r+2n}}{(q; q)_r (aq; q)_{r+2n}} \delta_{r+n}(a, k), \quad (3.2)$$

then under suitable convergence conditions

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n(a, k) \gamma_n(a, k) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \delta_n(a, k) \beta_n(a, k). \quad (3.3)$$

Sequence  $\langle \alpha_n(a, k), \beta_n(a, k) \rangle$  satisfying (3.1) are called WP-Bailey pair and  $\langle \gamma_n(a, k), \delta_n(a, k) \rangle$  satisfying (3.2) are called conjugate WP-Bailey pair.

If we put the value of  $\beta_n$  from (3.1) in (3.3) and apply the identity (1.4) we get,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n(a, k) \gamma_n(a, k) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k/a; q)_n (k; q)_{n+2r}}{(q; q)_n (aq; q)_{n+2r}} \delta_{n+r}(a, k) \alpha_r(a, k) \quad (3.4)$$

Choosing  $\delta_r(a, k) = (a^2 q/k^2)^r$  in (3.2) and summing the  ${}_2\Phi_1$  series by using [6; App. IV (IV.2)] we get

$$\gamma_n(a, k) = \frac{(aq/k, a^2 q/k; q)_{\infty} (k; q)_{2n} (a^2 q/k^2)^n}{(aq, a^2 q/k^2; q)_{\infty} (a^2 q/k; q)_{2n}}. \quad (3.5)$$

Putting these values of  $\gamma_n(a, k)$  and  $\delta_n(a, k)$  in (3.4) we get,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(aq/k, a^2 q/k; q)_{\infty}}{(aq, a^2 q/k^2; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k; q)_{2n} (a^2 q/k^2)^n}{(a^2 q/k; q)_{2n}} \alpha_n(a, k) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k/a; q)_n (k; q)_{n+2r}}{(q; q)_n (aq; q)_{n+2r}} \left( \frac{a^2 q}{k^2} \right)^{n+r} \alpha_r(a, k), \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

provided all the infinite series converges and  $\alpha_0(a, k) = 1$ .

As  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , (3.6) yields

$$(aq; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n^2+2r^2+2nr} a^{n+2r} \alpha_r(a, k)}{(q; q)_n (aq; q)_{n+2r}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q^{2n^2} a^{2n} \alpha_n(a, k). \quad (3.7)$$

#### 4. Special Cases of (3.6) and (3.7)

(i) Taking  $a = 1$ ,  $\alpha_n(a, k) = \frac{1}{(q^2; q^2)_n}$  in (3.7) and using [1; (10.1.1) p. 241] we get

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n^2+2r^2+2nr}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{n+2r} (q^2; q^2)_r} = \frac{1}{(q^2, q^8; q^{10})_\infty}. \quad (4.1)$$

(ii) Taking  $a = q$ ,  $\alpha_n(a, k) = \frac{1}{(q^2; q^2)_n}$  in (3.7) and using [1; (10.1.2) p. 241] we find

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n^2+2r^2+2nr+n+2r}}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{n+2r+1}} = \frac{1}{(q^4, q^6; q^{10})_\infty}. \quad (4.2)$$

(iii) Taking  $a = q^2$ ,  $\alpha_r(a, k) = \frac{(-q^2; q^4)_r}{(q^4; q^4)_r}$  in (3.7) and using [7; (34)] we get

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n^2+2r^2+2nr+2n+4r} (-q^2; q^4)_r}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{n+2r+2} (q^4; q^4)_r} = \frac{1}{(q^6, q^8, q^{10}; q^{16})_\infty}. \quad (4.3)$$

(iv) Taking  $a = 1$ ,  $\alpha_r(a, k) = \frac{(-q^2; q^4)_r}{(q^4; q^4)_r}$  and using the identity [7; (36)] we have

$$(q; q)_\infty \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n^2+2r^2+2nr} (-q^2; q^4)_r}{(q; q)_n (q; q)_{n+2r} (q^4; q^4)_r} = \frac{1}{(q^2, q^8, q^{14}; q^{16})_\infty}. \quad (4.4)$$

(v) Taking  $\alpha_r(a, k) = \frac{(\alpha, \beta; q^2)_r}{(\gamma, q^2; q^2)_r}$  in (3.6) we find,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(aq/k, a^2q/k; q)_\infty}{(aq, a^2q/k^2; q)_\infty} {}_4\Phi_3 \left[ \begin{matrix} k, kq, \alpha, \beta; q^2; a^2q/k^2 \\ \gamma, a^2q/k, a^2q^2/k \end{matrix} \right] \\ &= \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k/a; q)_n (k; q)_{n+2r} (\alpha, \beta; q^2)_r (a^2q/k^2)^{n+r}}{(q; q)_n (q^2; q^2)_r (aq; q)_{n+2r} (\gamma; q^2)_r}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

(vi) Taking  $\alpha = \frac{a^2q}{k}, \beta = \frac{a^2q^2}{k}, \gamma = kq$  in (4.5) we find

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k/a; q)_n (k; q)_{n+2r} (a^2q/k, a^2q^2/k; q^2)_r (a^2q/k^2)^{n+r}}{(q; q)_n (q^2; q^2)_r (aq; q)_{n+2r} (kq; q^2)_r} \\ = \frac{(aq/k, a^2q/k; q)_{\infty} (a^2q/k; q^2)_{\infty}}{(aq, a^2q/k^2; q)_{\infty} (a^2q/k^2; q^2)_{\infty}}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

(vii) Taking  $\alpha = \frac{a^2q}{k}, \beta = \frac{a^2q^2}{k}, \gamma = k$  in (4.5) we get the summation formula;

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n,r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k/a; q)_n (k; q)_{n+2r} (a^2q/k, a^2q^2/k; q^2)_r (a^2q/k^2)^{n+r}}{(q; q)_n (q^2; q^2)_r (aq; q)_{n+2r} (k; q^2)_r} \\ = \frac{(aq/k, a^2q/k; q)_{\infty} (a^2q^2/k; q^2)_{\infty}}{(aq, a^2q/k^2; q)_{\infty} (a^2q/k^2; q^2)_{\infty}}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

Similar other results can also be scored.

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