

ON REDUCIBILITY OF CERTAIN q -DOUBLE HYPERGEOMETRIC SERIES AND CLAUSEN TYPE IDENTITIES

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Abstract: In this paper, a method has been developed to establish certain transformations of double q -series in terms of basic hypergeometric functions of one variable. These results lead to certain interesting Clausen type identities. We also discuss certain continued fraction representations involving q -series.

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1. Introduction:

In this paper, we have made use of certain known summations to establish transformations of q -double series in terms of a single series. We have deduced Clausen type identities from these results. We also discuss some interesting continued fraction representations involving q -series.

For α , real or complex and $|q| < 1$, we define the q -shifted factorials by

$$[\alpha; q]_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ (1 - \alpha)(1 - \alpha q) \dots (1 - \alpha q^{n-1}), & \text{if } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

A basic hypergeometric function is defined as :

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

where $[a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q]_n = [a_1; q]_n [a_2; q]_n \dots [a_r; q]_n$.

The series ${}_r\Phi_s$ converges absolutely for all z if $\lambda > 0$ and for $|z| < 1$ if $\lambda = 0$. Other notations and definitions appearing in this paper have their usual meaning. We shall use the following series identity to establish our results,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n B(n, k) = \sum_{n, k=0}^{\infty} B(n+k, k), \quad (3)$$

provided the series on both sides of (1.3) exist.

We shall use the following known summations of q -series in our analysis :

$${}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, a; q; cq^n / a \\ c \end{matrix} \right] = \frac{[c/a; q]_n}{[c; q]_n}. \quad (4)$$

[4; App.II (II.7)]

$${}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} a, b, q^{-n}; q; q \\ c, abq^{1-n} / c \end{matrix} \right] = \frac{[c/a, c/b; q]_n}{[c, c/ab; q]_n}. \quad (5)$$

[4; App.II (II.12)]

$${}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, q^{-n}; q; -q/x \\ q^{-n}/x \end{matrix} \right] = \frac{[q; q]_n [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{[xq; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (6)$$

[5; (2.8) p. 1024]

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

$${}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, -q^{-n}/xy, x, y; q; q \\ -xyq, q^{-n}/x, q^{-n}/y \end{matrix} \right] = \frac{[q, xyq; q]_n [x^2 q^2, y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{[xq, yq; q]_n [q^2, x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (7)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5; (2.5) p. 1024]

$${}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, q^{-n} \\ q^{-n}/x \end{matrix} ; q; -1/x \right] = \frac{[q; q]_n [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m x^{n-2m}}{[xq; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (8)$$

[5; (2.9) p. 1024]

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

$$\begin{aligned} {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, -q^{-n}/xy, xq, yq \\ -xyq, q^{1-n}/x, q^{1-n}/y \end{matrix} ; q; q \right] \\ = \frac{(-)^n [q; q]_n [xyq; q]_n [x^2 q^2, y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{q^n [x, y; q]_n [q^2, x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5; (2.10) p.1025]

$$\begin{aligned} {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, -q^n/x^2, y, -y; q; q \\ q^{-n}/x, -q^{-n}/x, y^2 q \end{matrix} \right] \\ = \frac{[q; q]_n [x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_n [x^2 q^2, y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{[x^2 q^2; q^2]_n [y^2 q; q]_n [q^2, x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}, \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5; (2.12) p. 1025]

$${}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{-n}/x^2, o; q; q \\ q^{-n}/x, -q^{-n}/x \end{matrix} \right] = \frac{[q; q]_n [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{[x^2 y^2; q^2]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (11)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5; (2.14) p.1026]

$${}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{-n}/x^2, o; q; 1 \\ q^{-n}/x, -q^{-n}/x; q \end{matrix} \right] = \frac{[q; q]_n [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m q^{n(n+1)/2} x^{2n-2m}}{[x^2 y^2; q^2]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (12)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5;(2.15) p.1026]

$$\begin{aligned}
 & {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{-n}/x^2, yq, -yq; q; q \\ q^{1-n}/x, -q^{1-n}/x, y^2q \end{matrix} \right] \\
 &= \frac{(-)^n [q; q]_n [x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_n [x^2 q^2, y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{q^2 [x^2; q^2]_n [y^2 q; q]_n [q^2, x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (13)
 \end{aligned}$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5;(2.16) p.1026]

$${}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{-n}/x^2, 0; q; q \\ q^{1-n}/x, -q^{1-n}/x \end{matrix} \right] = \frac{(-)^n [q; q]_n [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{q^n [x^2; q^2]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (14)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5;(2.18) p. 1026]

$$\begin{aligned}
 & {}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{-n}/x^2, 0; q; q^2 \\ q^{1-n}/x, -q^{1-n}/x; q \end{matrix} \right] \\
 &= \frac{(-)^n [q; q]_n [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m q^{n(n-1)/2} x^{2n-2m}}{[x^2; q^2]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (15)
 \end{aligned}$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5; (2.19) p. 1026]

Putting yq^{-n} for y in [5; (2.20) p.1027] we get the following summation formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{-n}/x^2, 1/xy, -1/xy; q; q \\ q^{1-n}/x, -q^{-n}/x, 1/x^2 y^2 \end{matrix} \right] \\
 &= \frac{(-)^n (xq)^{-n} [q; q]_n [1/y^2; q^2]_n [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m [y^2 q^2; q^2]_{m-n}}{[x, -xq; q]_n [1/x^2 y^2; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m [x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_{m-n}}, \quad (16)
 \end{aligned}$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

$${}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{-n}/x^2, 0 \\ q^{1-n}/x, -q^{-n}/x \end{matrix} ; q; q \right] = \frac{(-)^n [q; q]_n [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m x^{n-2m}}{[x, -xq; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (17)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5; (2.23) p. 1027]

$${}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, q^{-n}/x^2, 0 \\ q^{1-n}/x, -q^{-n}/x; q \end{matrix} ; q; q \right] = \frac{(-)^n x^n q^{n(n-1)/2} [q; q]_n [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{[x, -xq; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (18)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

[5; (2.24) p.1027]

Putting wq^m for w in [3; (4.3) p. 420] we get the summation formula ;

$${}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} a, aq, a^2 q^{2-2m}/w^2, q^{-2m} \\ a^2 q^2, aq^{1-2m}/w, aq^{2-2m}/w \end{matrix} ; q^2; q^2 \right] = \frac{[w; q]_{2m} [w/a, -q; q]_m}{[w/a; q]_{2m} [w, -aq; q]_m}. \quad (19)$$

$${}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, c, d, \frac{1}{cd} q^{\frac{1-n}{2}} \\ \frac{1}{c} q^{1-n}, \frac{1}{d} q^{1-n}, cdq^{1/2} \end{matrix} ; q; q^2 \right] = \frac{[cd; q]_n [c, d, -q^{1/2}; q^{1/2}]_n}{[c, d; q]_n [cd; q^{1/2}]_n}. \quad (20)$$

[6;(1.4) p. 72]

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, c, d, \frac{1}{cd} q^{\frac{3-n}{2}} \\ \frac{1}{c} q^{1-n}, \frac{1}{d} q^{1-n}, cdq^{1/2} \end{matrix} ; q; q \right] \\ &= \frac{[cdq^{-1/2}; q^{1/2}]_{2n} [c, d; q^{1/2}]_n [q; q]_n}{[cdq^{-1/2}; q^{1/2}]_n [cdq^{1/2}; q]_n [c, d; q]_n [q^{1/2}; q^{1/2}]_n}. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

[6; (4.13) p.79]

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} q^{-n}, c, d, \frac{1}{cd} q^{\frac{1}{2}-n} \\ \frac{1}{c} q^{1-n}, \frac{1}{d} q^{1-n}, cdq^{-1/2} \end{matrix} ; q; q \right] \\
&= \frac{[q, cd; q]_n [c, d; q^{1/2}]_n q^{-n/2}}{[c, d; q]_n [cdq^{-1/2}; q^{1/2}]_n [q^{1/2}; q^{1/2}]_n}.
\end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

[6; (4.18) p.80]

2. Main Results :

In this section we shall establish certain transformations of double series in terms of single series.

(i) Multiplying both sides of (1.4) by an arbitrary sequence B_n , summing over n

from 0 to ∞ , applying the identity (1.3) and then replacing B_n by $\frac{z^n}{[q; q]_n} A_n$, where

A_n is another arbitrary sequence, we get :

$$\sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[a; q]_k (-cz/a)^k z^n q^{k(k-1)/2}}{[c; q]_k [q; q]_k [q; q]_n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{[c/a; q]_n z^n}{[q, c; q]_n}. \tag{1}$$

This is a transformation which reduces a double series in terms of a single series.

Similarly, one can easily establish the following results:

$$(ii) \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[a, b; q]_k [c/ab; q]_n (cz/ab)^k z^n}{[q, c; q]_k [q; q]_n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{[c/a, c/b; q]_n z^n}{[q, c; q]_n}. \tag{2}$$

$$(\text{using (1.5) with } B_n = \frac{[c/ab; q]_n z^n}{[q; q]_n} A_n)$$

$$(iii) \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[x;q]_k [xq;q]_n (-zq)^k z^n}{[q;q]_k [q;q]_n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{[x^2 q^2; q^2]_m z^n}{[q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (3)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.6) with $B_n = \frac{[xq;q]_n z^n}{[q;q]_n} A_n$)

$$(iv) \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[x,y;q]_k [xq,yq;q]_n (-zq)^k z^n}{[q,-xyq;q]_k [q,-xyq;q]_n} \\ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{[xyq;q]_n [x^2 q^2, y^2 q^2; q^2]_m z^n}{[-xyq;q]_n [q^2, x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (4)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.7) with $B_n = \frac{[xq,yq;q]_n z^n}{[q,-xyq;q]_n} A_n$).

$$(v) \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[x;q]_k [xq;q]_n (-z)^k z^n}{[q;q]_k [q;q]_n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n z^n \frac{[x^2 q^2; q^2]_m x^{n-2m}}{[q^2; q^2]_m},$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.8) with $B_n = \frac{[xq;q]_n z^n}{[q;q]_n} A_n$).

$$(vi) \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[xq,yq;q]_k [x,y;q]_n (-z/q)^k z^n}{[q,-xyq;q]_k [q,-xyq;q]_n} \\ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \left(\frac{z}{q} \right)^n \frac{(-)^n [xyq;q]_n [x^2 q^2, y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{[-xyq;q]_n [q^2, x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (6)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.9) with $B_n = \frac{[x, y; q]_n z^n}{[q, -xyq; q]_n} A_n$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(vii)} \quad & \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[y, -y; q]_k [xq, -xq; q]_n (-zq)^k z^n}{[q, y^2q; q]_k [q, x^2q; q]_n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n z^n \frac{[x^2y^2q^2; q^2]_n [x^2q^2, y^2q^2; q^2]_m}{[x^2q, y^2q; q]_n [q^2, x^2y^2q^2; q^2]_m}, \tag{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.10) with $B_n = \frac{[xq, -xq; q]_n z^n}{[q, x^2q; q]_n} A_n$)

$$\text{(viii)} \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[xq, -xq; q]_n (-zq)^k z^n}{[q, x^2q; q]_k [q; q]_k} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n z^n \frac{[x^2q^2; q^2]_m}{[x^2q; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \tag{8}$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.11) with $B_n = \frac{[xq, -xq; q]_n z^n}{[q, x^2q; q]_n} A_n$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(ix)} \quad & \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[xq, -xq; q]_k (-z)^k z^n q^{k(k-1)/2}}{[q, x^2q; q]_n [q; q]_k} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n z^n \frac{[x^2q^2; q^2]_m x^{2n-2m} q^{n(n-1)/2}}{[x^2q; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \tag{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.12) with $B_n = \frac{[xq, -xq; q]_n z^n}{[q, x^2q; q]_n} A_n$)

$$\text{(x)} \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[yq, -yq; q]_k [x, -x; q]_n (-z/q)^k z^n}{[q, y^2q; q]_k [q, x^2q; q]_n}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n z^n \frac{(-)^n [x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_n [x^2 q^2, y^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{[x^2 q, y^2 q; q]_n [q^2, x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_m q^n}, \quad (10)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

$$\text{(using (1.13) with } B_n = \frac{[x, -x; q]_n z^n}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n} A_n \text{)}$$

$$(xi) \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[x, -x; q]_n (-z/q)^k z^n}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n [q; q]_k} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{[x^2 q^2; q^2]_m (z/q)^n}{[x^2 q; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (11)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

$$\text{(using (1.14) with } B_n = \frac{[x, -x; q]_n z^n}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n} A_n \text{)}$$

$$(xii) \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[x, -x; q]_n (-z)^k z^n q^{k(k-1)/2}}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n [q; q]_k} \\ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n (-z)^n \frac{[x^2 q^2; q^2]_m x^{n-2m} q^{n(n-1)/2}}{[x^2 q; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \quad (12)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

$$\text{(using (1.15) with } B_n = \frac{[x, -x; q]_n z^n}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n} A_n \text{)}$$

$$(xiii) \quad \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[1/xy, -1/xy; q]_k [x, -xq; q]_n (-z)^k z^n}{[q, 1/x^2 y^2; q]_k [q, x^2 q; q]_n} \\ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n (-z/xq)^n \frac{[y^{-2}; q^2]_n [x^2 q^2; q]_m [y^2 q^2; q^2]_{m-n}}{[x^{-2} y^{-2}; q]_n [x^2 q; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m [x^2 y^2 q^2; q^2]_{m-n}}, \quad (13)$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.16) with $B_n = \frac{[x, -xq; q]_n z^n}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n} A_n$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(xiv)} \quad & \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[x, -xq; q]_n (-z)^k z^n}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n [q; q]_k} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n (-z)^n \frac{[x^2 q^2; q^2]_m x^{n-2m}}{[x^2 q; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \tag{14}
 \end{aligned}$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.17) with $B_n = \frac{[x, -xq; q]_n z^n}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n} A_n$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(xv)} \quad & \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[x, -xq; q]_n (-z)^k z^n q^{k(k-1)/2}}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n [q; q]_k} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{(-zx)^n q^{n(n-1)/2} [x^2 q^2; q^2]_m}{[x^2 q; q]_n [q^2; q^2]_m}, \tag{15}
 \end{aligned}$$

where m is the greatest integer $\leq n/2$.

(using (1.18) with $B_n = \frac{[x, -xq; q]_n z^n}{[q, x^2 q; q]_n} A_n$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(xvi)} \quad & \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[a, aq; q^2]_k [wq/a, w/a; q^2]_n (zq)^k z^n}{[q^2, a^2 q^2; q^2]_k [q^2, w^2/a^2; q^2]_n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{[w; q]_{2n} z^n}{[w; q]_n [q; q]_n [-aq, -w/a; q]_n}, \tag{16}
 \end{aligned}$$

(using (1.19) with $B_n = \frac{[w/a, wq/a; q^2]_n z^n}{[q^2, w^2/a^2; q^2]_n} A_n$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(xvii)} \quad & \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[c,d;q]_k [c,d;q]_n (zq^{1/2})^k z^n}{[q,cdq^{1/2};q]_k [q,cdq^{1/2};q]_n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{[cd;q]_n [c,d;q^{1/2}]_n [-q^{1/2};q^{1/2}]_n z^n}{[q,cdq^{1/2};q]_n [cd;q^{1/2}]_n}. \tag{17}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(using (1.20) with } B_n = \frac{[c,d;q]_n z^n}{[q,cdq^{1/2};q]_n} A_n)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(xviii)} \quad & \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[c,d;q]_k [c,d;q]_n (zq^{1/2})^k z^n}{[q,cdq^{1/2};q]_k [q,cdq^{-1/2};q]_n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{[cdq^{-1/2};q^{1/2}]_n [c,d;q^{1/2}]_n z^n}{[cdq^{-1/2},q^{1/2};q^{1/2}]_n [cdq^{1/2};q]_n}. \tag{18}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(using (1.21) with } B_n = \frac{[c,d;q]_n z^n}{[q,cdq^{-1/2};q]_n} A_n)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(xix)} \quad & \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A_{n+k} \frac{[c,d;q]_k [c,d;q]_n (zq^{-1/2})^k z^n}{[q,cdq^{-1/2};q]_k [q,cdq^{1/2};q]_n} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \frac{[cd;q]_n [c,d;q^{1/2}]_n (zq^{-1/2})^n}{[cdq^{1/2};q]_n [cdq^{-1/2},q^{1/2};q^{1/2}]_n}. \tag{19}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(using (1.22) with } B_n = \frac{[c,d;q]_n z^n}{[q,cdq^{1/2};q]_n} A_n)$$

3. Clausen type Identities:

In this section, we deduce the Clausen type identities from the result established in section 3.

(i) Taking $A_n=1$ in (2.2), we get :

$${}_2\Phi_1\left[\begin{matrix} a, b; q; cz/ab \\ c \end{matrix}\right] {}_1\Phi_0\left[\begin{matrix} c/ab; q; z \\ - \end{matrix}\right] = {}_2\Phi_1\left[\begin{matrix} c/a, c/b; q; z \\ c \end{matrix}\right], \quad (1)$$

which is the basic analogue of Euler's transformation.

(ii) For $A_n=1$, (2.4) yields the product formula :

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_2\Phi_1\left[\begin{matrix} x, y; q; -zq \\ -xyq \end{matrix}\right] {}_2\Phi_1\left[\begin{matrix} xq, yq; q; z \\ -xyq \end{matrix}\right] \\ &= {}_4\Phi_3\left[\begin{matrix} xyq, xyq^2, x^2q^2, y^2q^2; q^2; z^2 \\ -xyq, -xyq^2, x^2y^2q^2 \end{matrix}\right] \\ &+ \frac{z(1-xyq)}{(1+xyq)} {}_4\Phi_3\left[\begin{matrix} xyq^2, xyq^3, x^2q^2, y^2q^2; q^2; z^2 \\ -xyq^2, -xyq^3, x^2y^2q^2 \end{matrix}\right], \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

which is a known result [5;(2.37) p. 1031].

Similarly, taking $A_n=1$ in (2.6)-(2.19) we have the following results respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} (iii) \quad & {}_2\Phi_1\left[\begin{matrix} xq, yq; q; -z/q \\ -xyq \end{matrix}\right] {}_2\Phi_1\left[\begin{matrix} x, y; q; z \\ -xyq \end{matrix}\right] \\ &= {}_4\Phi_3\left[\begin{matrix} xyq, xyq^2, x^2q^2, y^2q^2; q^2; z^2/q^2 \\ -xyq, -xyq^2, x^2y^2q^2 \end{matrix}\right] \\ &- \frac{z(1-xyq)}{q(1+xyq)} {}_4\Phi_3\left[\begin{matrix} xyq^2, xyq^3, x^2q^2, y^2q^2; q^2; z^2/q^2 \\ -xyq^2, -xyq^3, x^2y^2q^2 \end{matrix}\right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (iv) \quad & {}_2\Phi_1\left[\begin{matrix} y, -y; q; -zq \\ y^2q \end{matrix}\right] {}_2\Phi_1\left[\begin{matrix} xq, -xq; q; z \\ x^2q \end{matrix}\right] \\ &= {}_4\Phi_3\left[\begin{matrix} xyq, -xyq, xyq^2, -xyq^2; q^2; z^2 \\ x^2q, y^2q, x^2y^2q^2 \end{matrix}\right] \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \frac{z(1-x^2y^2q^2)}{(1-x^2q)(1-y^2q)} {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} xyq^2, -xyq^2, xyq^3, -xyq^3; q^2; z^2 \\ x^2q^3, y^2q^3, x^2y^2q^2 \end{matrix} \right]. \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \quad & {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} xq, -xq; q; z \\ x^2q \end{matrix} \right] \\ &= [-zq; q]_{\infty} {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; z^2 \\ x^2q; \end{matrix} \right] + \frac{z[-zq; q]_{\infty}}{(1-x^2q)} {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; z^2 \\ x^2q^3; \end{matrix} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vi)} \quad & [z; q]_{\infty} {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} xq, -xq; q; z \\ x^2q \end{matrix} \right] \\ &= {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; x^2z^2q^3 \\ x^2q; q^4 \end{matrix} \right] + \frac{x^2zq}{(1-x^2q)} {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; x^2z^2q^5 \\ x^2q^3; q^4 \end{matrix} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(vii)} \quad & {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} yq, -yq; q; -z/q \\ y^2q \end{matrix} \right] {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, -x; q; z \\ x^2q \end{matrix} \right] \\ &= {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} xyq, -xyq, xyq^2, -xyq^2; q^2; z^2/q^2 \\ x^2q, y^2q, x^2y^2q^2 \end{matrix} \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{z(1-x^2y^2q^2)}{(1-x^2q)(1-y^2q)} {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} xyq^2, -xyq^2, xyq^3, -xyq^3; q^2; z^2/q^2 \\ x^2q^3, y^2q^3, x^2y^2q^2 \end{matrix} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(viii)} \quad & {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, -x; q; z \\ x^2q \end{matrix} \right] = [-z/q; q]_{\infty} {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; z^2/q^2 \\ x^2q; \end{matrix} \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{z[-z/q; q]_{\infty}}{q(1-x^2q)} {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; z^2/q^2 \\ x^2q^3; \end{matrix} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\text{(ix)} \quad [z; q]_{\infty} {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, -x; q; z \\ x^2q \end{matrix} \right]$$

$$= {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; x^2 z^2 q \\ x^2 q; q^4 \end{matrix} \right] - \frac{x^2 z}{(1-x^2 q)} {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; x^2 z^2 q^3 \\ x^2 q^3; q^4 \end{matrix} \right]. \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(x)} \quad & {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/xy, -1/xy; q; -z \\ 1/x^2 y^2 \end{matrix} \right] {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, -xq; q; z \\ x^2 q \end{matrix} \right] \\ &= {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/y, -1/y, q/y, -q/y; q^2; z^2/q^2 \\ x^2 q, 1/y^2, q/x^2 y^2 \end{matrix} \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{zx}{q(1-x^2 q)} {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} q/y, -q/y, q^2/y, -q^2/y; q^2; z^2/q^2 \\ x^2 q^3, q^2/y^2, q/x^2 y^2 \end{matrix} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(xi)} \quad & {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, -xq; q; z \\ x^2 q \end{matrix} \right] = [-z; q]_{\infty} {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; z^2 \\ x^2 q; \end{matrix} \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{xz[-z; q]_{\infty}}{(1-x^2 q)} {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; z^2 \\ x^2 q^3; \end{matrix} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(xii)} \quad & [z; q]_{\infty} {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, -xq; q; z \\ x^2 q \end{matrix} \right] \\ &= {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; x^2 z^2 q \\ x^2 q; q^4 \end{matrix} \right] - \frac{xz}{(1-x^2 q)} {}_0\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -; q^2; x^2 z^2 q^3 \\ x^2 q^3; q^4 \end{matrix} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(xiii)} \quad & {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} a, aq; q^2; zq \\ a^2 q^2 \end{matrix} \right] {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} wq/a, w/a; q^2; z \\ w^2/a^2 \end{matrix} \right] \\ &= {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} \sqrt{w}, -\sqrt{w}, \sqrt{wq}, -\sqrt{wq}; q; z \\ w, -w/a, -aq \end{matrix} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$\text{(xiv)} \quad {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c, d; q; zq^{1/2} \\ cdq^{1/2} \end{matrix} \right] {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c, d; q; z \\ cdq^{1/2} \end{matrix} \right]$$

$$= {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} c, d, \sqrt{cd}, -\sqrt{cd} \\ cd, q^{1/4} \sqrt{cd}, -q^{1/4} \sqrt{cd} \end{matrix} ; q^{1/2}; z \right]. \quad (14)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(xv)} \quad & {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c, d \\ cdq^{1/2} \end{matrix} ; q; zq^{1/2} \right] {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c, d \\ cdq^{-1/2} \end{matrix} ; q; z \right] \\ &= {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} c, d, \sqrt{cd}, -\sqrt{cd} \\ cdq^{-1/2}, q^{1/4} \sqrt{cd}, -q^{1/4} \sqrt{cd} \end{matrix} ; q^{1/2}; z \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(xvi)} \quad & {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c, d \\ cdq^{-1/2} \end{matrix} ; q; zq^{-1/2} \right] {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c, d \\ cdq^{1/2} \end{matrix} ; q; z \right] \\ &= {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} c, d, \sqrt{cd}, -\sqrt{cd} \\ cdq^{-1/2}, q^{1/4} \sqrt{cd}, -q^{1/4} \sqrt{cd} \end{matrix} ; q^{1/2}; zq^{-1/2} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

4. Certain continued fraction representations.

Continued fraction representation for the ratio of two ${}_2\Phi_1$'s and ${}_3\phi_2$'s do exist, former with a general argument while the latter with a constant argument of the ϕ -series. There are no direct representation involving j-series ${}_{r+1}\Phi_r$ ($r > 1$) with a general argument. Here we make use of some of the results established in this paper to provide continued fraction representation involving certain ${}_3\phi_2$ and ${}_4\phi_3$ with general arguments. Such results provide freedom to compute the results at an arbitrary point inside the region of convergence.

If we put $x=1$ in (3.2) we have :

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} q, yq; q; z \end{matrix} \right] = {}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} yq, yq^2, q^2; q^2; z^2 \end{matrix} \right] \\ & + \frac{z(1-yq)}{(1+yq)} {}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} yq^2, yq^3, q^2; q^2; z^2q \end{matrix} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Again, if we take $\beta=1$ in [2; (2.24) p. 179] we get :

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} q, \alpha; q; z \\ \gamma \end{matrix} \right] \\
&= 1 + \frac{z(1-\alpha)}{0+} \frac{(1-\gamma)/(1-\alpha zq)}{1+} \frac{z(1-\alpha q)}{0+} \frac{(1-\gamma q)/(1-\alpha zq^2)}{1+} \dots
\end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Now, making use of (4.1) and (4.2) we have :

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} yq, yq^2, q^2; q^2; z^2 \\ -yq, -yq^2 \end{matrix} \right] + \frac{z(1-yq)}{(1+yq)} {}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} yq^2, yq^3, q^2; q^2; z^2 \\ -yq^2, -yq^3 \end{matrix} \right] \\
&= 1 + \frac{z(1-yq)}{0+} \frac{(1+yq)/(1-yzq^2)}{1+} \frac{z(1-yq^2)}{0+} \frac{(1+yq^2)/(1-yzq^3)}{1+} \dots
\end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

If we take $y=1$ in (3.4) we get :

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} xq, -xq; q; z \\ x^2q \end{matrix} \right] = {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} xq, -xq, xq^2, -xq^2; q^2; z^2 \\ x^2q, x^2q^2, q \end{matrix} \right] \\
&+ \frac{z(1-x^2q^2)}{(1-q)(1-x^2q)} {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} xq^2, -xq^2, xq^3, -xq^3; q^2; z^2 \\ x^2q^2, x^2q^3, q^3 \end{matrix} \right].
\end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Making use of the result [2; (2.19)] we find :

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{[x^2q^2; q^2]_{2r} (z^2q^2)^r}{[x^2q; q]_{2r} [q; q^2]_r} + \frac{zq(1-x^2q^2)}{(1-q)(1-x^2q)} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{[x^2q^4; q^2]_{2r} (z^2q^2)^r}{[x^2q^2; q]_{2r} [q^3; q^2]_r} \\
& \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{[x^2q^2; q^2]_{2r} z^{2r}}{[x^2q; q]_{2r} [q; q^2]_r} + \frac{z(1-x^2q^2)}{(1-q)(1-x^2q)} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{[x^2q^4; q^2]_{2r} z^{2r}}{[x^2q^2; q]_{2r} [q^3; q^2]_r} \\
&= \frac{1}{1} + \frac{z(1-x^2q^2)}{(1-z)-} \frac{x^2q(1+zq^2)}{1+} \frac{z(1-x^2q^4)}{(1-z)-} \frac{x^2q^2(1+zq^3)}{1+} \dots
\end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Again, if we take $a=1$ in (3.13) we get :

$${}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} w, wq; q^2; z \\ w^2 \end{matrix} \right] = {}_4\Phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} \sqrt{w}, -\sqrt{w}, \sqrt{wq}, -\sqrt{wq}; q; z \\ w, -w, -q \end{matrix} \right]. \quad (6)$$

Now, making use of the result [2; (2.19)] after replacing q by q^2 we find :

$$\frac{{}_4\phi_3\left[\begin{matrix}\sqrt{w}, -\sqrt{w}, \sqrt{wq}, -\sqrt{wq}; q; zq^2\end{matrix}\right]}{{}_4\phi_3\left[\begin{matrix}\sqrt{w}, -\sqrt{w}, \sqrt{wq}, -\sqrt{wq}; q; z\end{matrix}\right]} = \frac{1}{1} + \frac{(1-w)(1-wq)z}{(1-z) +} \frac{w^2(zq^3 - 1)}{1 +} \frac{(1-wq^2)(1-wq^3)z}{(1-z) +} \dots \quad (7)$$

A number of similar other interesting results could also be deduced.

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