

A NOTE ON HEINE'S TRANSFORMATION

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Abstract: In this paper, making use of q -binomial theorem different generalizations of Heine's first transformation have been discussed.

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1. Introduction, Notations and Definitions

The q -rising factorial is defined as,

$$(a; q)_0 = 1, \quad (a; q)_n = (1 - a)(1 - aq) \dots (1 - aq^{n-1}), \quad n \in (1, 2, 3, \dots),$$

where the parameter q is called the base and $|q| < 1$.

The infinite q -rising factorial is defined as,

$$(a; q)_\infty = \prod_{r=0}^{\infty} (1 - aq^r) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a; q)_n.$$

When k is complex number, we write

$$(a; q)_k = \frac{(a; q)_\infty}{(aq^k; q)_\infty}.$$

Analogues to Gauss' series, Heine used the series

$${}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} a, b, q; z \\ c \end{matrix} \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n (b; q)_n}{(q; q)_n (c; q)_n} z^n, \quad |z| < 1. \quad (1.1)$$

Further generalization of Heine series is given as,

$${}_r\Phi_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q; z \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_s \end{matrix} \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q)_n}{(q, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_s; q)_n} \left[(-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \right]^{1+s-r} z^n, \quad (1.2)$$

where $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q)_n = (a_1; q)_n (a_2; q)_n \dots (a_r; q)_n$ and $\binom{n}{2} = n(n-1)/2$. The series (1.2) converges for $|z| < \infty$ if $r \leq s$ and for $|z| < 1$ if $r = s + 1$. If $r > s + 1$, it diverges everywhere except $z=0$.

In this paper, we shall make use of q -binomial theorem,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n} = \frac{(az; q)_{\infty}}{(z; q)_{\infty}}, \quad |z| < 1, |q| < 1. \quad (1.3)$$

[Gasper, G. and Rahman, M. (6) eq. (1.3.2), pp. 8]

Heine in 1878 established the following transformation formulas,

$${}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} a, b, q; z \\ c \end{matrix} \right] = \frac{(b, az; q)_{\infty}}{(c, z; q)_{\infty}} {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c/b, z; q; b \\ az \end{matrix} \right]. \quad (1.4)$$

One can prove this transformation by making use (1.3) as,

$$\begin{aligned} {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} a, b, q; z \\ c \end{matrix} \right] &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n (b; q)_n}{(q; q)_n (c; q)_n} z^n \\ &= \frac{(b; q)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n (cq^n; q)_{\infty}}{(q; q)_n (bq^n; q)_{\infty}} z^n, \\ &= \frac{(b; q)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n}{(q; q)_n} z^n \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r}{(q; q)_r} b^r q^{nr}, \end{aligned}$$

If $|z| < 1$, $|b| < 1$ then

$$= \frac{(b; q)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r}{(q; q)_r} b^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n}{(q; q)_n} (zq^r)^n,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(b; q)_n}{(c; q)_n} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r}{(q; q)_r} b^r \frac{(azq^r; q)_{\infty}}{(zq^r; q)_{\infty}}, \\
 &= \frac{(b; q)_n (az; q)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_n (z; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r (z; q)_r}{(q; q)_r (az; q)_r} b^r, \\
 &= \frac{(b; q)_n (az; q)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_n (z; q)_{\infty}} {}_2\Phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c/b, z; q; b \\ az \end{matrix} \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

which is the complete proof of (1.4).

Ramanujan generalized the Heine's transformation (1.4) as

If h is a positive integer and $|z|, |b| < 1$ then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (b; q)_{nh}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (c; q)_{nh}} z^n = \frac{(b; q)_{\infty} (az; q^h)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_{\infty} (z; q^h)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r (z; q^h)_r b^r}{(q; q)_r (az; q^h)_r}. \quad (1.5)$$

Proof of (1.5).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (b; q)_{nh}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (c; q)_{nh}} z^n &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (b; q)_{\infty} (cq^{nh}; q)_{\infty}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (bq^{nh}; q)_{\infty} (c; q)_{\infty}} z^n, \\
 &= \frac{(b; q)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} z^n \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r b^r q^{nhr}}{(q; q)_r},
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, under the above given conditions we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(b; q)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r}{(q; q)_r} b^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} (zq^{hr})^n, \\
 &= \frac{(b; q)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r}{(q; q)_r} b^r \frac{(azq^{hr}; q^h)_{\infty}}{(zq^{hr}; q^h)_{\infty}}, \\
 &= \frac{(b; q)_{\infty} (az; q^h)_{\infty}}{(c; q)_{\infty} (z; q^h)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r (z; q^h)_r b^r}{(q; q)_r (az; q^h)_r},
 \end{aligned}$$

which is precisely the right hand side of (1.5).

Gaurav Bhatnagar [5] further generalized (1.5) as,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (b; q^t)_{nh}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (c; q^t)_{nh}} z^n = \frac{(b; q^t)_{\infty} (az; q^h)_{\infty}}{(c; q^t)_{\infty} (z; q^h)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q^t)_r (z; q^h)_{rt} b^r}{(q^t; q^t)_r (az; q^h)_{rt}}, \quad (1.6)$$

where $\max(z, b) < 1$, h and t are positive integers such that $|q^h| < 1$, $|q^t| < 1$ and $|q^{ht}| < 1$.

Proof of (1.6).

Left hand side of (1.6)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (b; q^t)_{nh}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (c; q^t)_{nh}} z^n, \\ &= \frac{(b; q^t)_{\infty}}{(c; q^t)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (cq^{nht}; q^t)_{\infty}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (bq^{nht}; q^t)_{\infty}} z^n, \end{aligned}$$

Applying (1.3)

$$= \frac{(b; q^t)_{\infty}}{(c; q^t)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} z^n \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q^t)_r}{(q^t; q^t)_r} b^r (q^{nht})^r,$$

Under the given conditions

$$= \frac{(b; q^t)_{\infty}}{(c; q^t)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q^t)_r}{(q^t; q^t)_r} b^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} (zq^{htr})^n,$$

Again, applying (1.3)

$$= \frac{(b; q^t)_{\infty}}{(c; q^t)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q^t)_r}{(q^t; q^t)_r} b^r \frac{(azq^{htr}; q^h)_{\infty}}{(zq^{htr}; q^h)_{\infty}},$$

which on simplifications

$$= \frac{(b; q^t)_{\infty} (az; q^h)_{\infty}}{(c; q^t)_{\infty} (z; q^h)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q^t)_r (z; q^h)_{tr}}{(q^t; q^t)_r (az; q^h)_{tr}} b^r,$$

which is precisely the right hand side of (1.6).

2. Generalization of (1.6)

We shall generalize (1.6) as,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (bx; q^t)_{nh}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (cy; q^t)_{nh}} z^n &= \frac{(az; q^h)_{\infty} (bx; q^t)_{\infty}}{(z; q^h)_{\infty} (cy; q^t)_{\infty}} \\ &\times \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(cy/bx; q^t)_r (z; q^h)_{tr}}{(q^t; q^t)_r (az; q^h)_{tr}} (bx)^r. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

Proof of (2.1).

Left hand side of (2.1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (bx; q^t)_{nh}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (cy; q^t)_{nh}} z^n \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (cyq^{nht}; q^t)_{\infty} (bx; q^t)_{\infty}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (cy; q^t)_{\infty} (bxq^{nht}; q^t)_{\infty}} z^n, \\
 &= \frac{(bx; q^t)_{\infty}}{(cy; q^t)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} z^n \frac{(cyq^{nht}; q^t)_{\infty}}{(bxq^{nht}; q^t)_{\infty}},
 \end{aligned}$$

Applying (1.3)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(bx; q^t)_{\infty}}{(cy; q^t)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} z^n \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(cy/bx; q^t)_r}{(q^t; q^t)_r} b^r x^r q^{nht r}, \\
 &|z| < 1, |bx| < 1, |q^h| < 1, |q^t| < 1 \text{ and } |q^{ht}| < 1 \\
 &= \frac{(bx; q^t)_{\infty}}{(cy; q^t)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(cy/bx; q^t)_r}{(q^t; q^t)_r} (bx)^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} (zq^{ht r})^n,
 \end{aligned}$$

Again, apply (1.3)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(bx; q^t)_{\infty}}{(cy; q^t)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(cy/bx; q^t)_r}{(q^t; q^t)_r} (bx)^r \frac{(azq^{ht r}; q^h)_{\infty}}{(zq^{ht r}; q^h)_{\infty}}, \\
 &= \frac{(bx; q^t)_{\infty}}{(cy; q^t)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(cy/bx; q^t)_r}{(q^t; q^t)_r} (bx)^r \frac{(az; q^h)_{\infty} (z; q^h)_{tr}}{(az; q^h)_{tr} (z; q^h)_{\infty}}, \\
 &= \frac{(bx; q^t)_{\infty} (az; q^h)_{\infty}}{(cy; q^t)_{\infty} (z; q^h)_{\infty}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(cy/bx; q^t)_r (z; q^h)_{tr}}{(q^t; q^t)_r (az; q^h)_{tr}} (bx)^r,
 \end{aligned}$$

which is the right hand side of (2.1).

Taking $y = x, h = t = 1$ in (2.1) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{(cx; q)_{\infty}}{(bx; q)_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n (bx; q)_n}{(q; q)_n (cx; q)_n} z^n &= \frac{(az; q)_{\infty}}{(z; q)_{\infty}} \\
 &\times \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c/b; q)_r (z; q)_r}{(q; q)_r (az; q)_r} (bx)^r, \tag{2.2}
 \end{aligned}$$

which is Heine's transformation formula [7; eq. 78].

3. Further Generalization of (2.1)

Let us consider

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (bx; q^t)_{nh} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{nh}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (cy; q^t)_{nh} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{nh}} z^n \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (bx; q^t)_{\infty} (cyq^{nth}; q^t)_{\infty} (c_1y_1q^{t_1nh}; q^{t_1})_{\infty} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (cy; q^t)_{\infty} (bxq^{nht}; q^t)_{\infty} (b_1x_1q^{nht_1}; q^{t_1})_{\infty} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}} z^n \\
 &= \frac{(bx; q^t)_{\infty} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}}{(cy; q^t)_{\infty} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} z^n \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(cy/bx; q^t)_r}{(q^t; q^t)_r} (bx)^r q^{nht r} \\
 & \quad \times \sum_{r_1=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c_1y_1/b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{r_1}}{(q^{t_1}; q^{t_1})_{r_1}} (b_1x_1)^{r_1} q^{nht_1 r_1}
 \end{aligned}$$

If $|z| < 1$, $|bx| < 1$, $|b_1x_1| < 1$, $|q^{ht}| < 1$, $|q^{ht_1}| < 1$ then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(bx; q^t)_{\infty} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}}{(cy; q^t)_{\infty} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}} \sum_{r, r_1=0}^{\infty} \frac{(cy/bx; q^t)_r}{(q^t; q^t)_r} (bx)^r \frac{(c_1y_1/b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{r_1}}{(q^{t_1}; q^{t_1})_{r_1}} (b_1x_1)^{r_1} \\
 & \quad \times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} (zq^{htr+ht_1r_1})^n \\
 &= \frac{(bx; q^t)_{\infty} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}}{(cy; q^t)_{\infty} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}} \sum_{r, r_1=0}^{\infty} \frac{(cy/bx; q^t)_r (c_1y_1/b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{r_1}}{(q^t; q^t)_r (q^{t_1}; q^{t_1})_{r_1}} (bx)^r (b_1x_1)^{r_1} \\
 & \quad \times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n}{(q^h; q^h)_n} \{zq^{h(tr+t_1r_1)}\}^n \\
 &= \frac{(az; q^h)_{\infty} (bx; q^t)_{\infty} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}}{(z; q^h)_{\infty} (cy; q^t)_{\infty} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}} \\
 & \quad \times \sum_{r, r_1=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z; q^h)_{tr+t_1r_1} (cy/bx; q^t)_r (c_1y_1/b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{r_1}}{(az; q^h)_{tr+t_1r_1} (q^t; q^t)_r (q^{t_1}; q^{t_1})_{r_1}} (bx)^r (b_1x_1)^{r_1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally we have the following result,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (bx; q^t)_{nh} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{nh}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (cy; q^t)_{nh} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{nh}} z^n = \frac{(az; q^h)_{\infty} (bx; q^t)_{\infty} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}}{(z; q^h)_{\infty} (cy; q^t)_{\infty} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty}} \\
 & \quad \times \sum_{r, r_1=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z; q^h)_{tr+t_1r_1} (cy/bx; q^t)_r (c_1y_1/b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{r_1}}{(az; q^h)_{tr+t_1r_1} (q^t; q^t)_r (q^{t_1}; q^{t_1})_{r_1}} (bx)^r (b_1x_1)^{r_1}. \tag{3.1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Iterating the process k times we get,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q^h)_n (bx; q^t)_{nh} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{nh} (b_2x_2; q^{t_2})_{nh} \dots (b_kx_k; q^{t_k})_{nh}}{(q^h; q^h)_n (cy; q^t)_{nh} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{nh} (c_2y_2; q^{t_2})_{nh} \dots (c_ky_k; q^{t_k})_{nh}} z^n \\ &= \frac{(az; q^h)_{\infty} (bx; q^t)_{\infty} (b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty} (b_2x_2; q^{t_2})_{\infty} \dots (b_kx_k; q^{t_k})_{\infty}}{(z; q^h)_{\infty} (cy; q^t)_{\infty} (c_1y_1; q^{t_1})_{\infty} (c_2y_2; q^{t_2})_{\infty} \dots (c_ky_k; q^{t_k})_{\infty}} \\ & \times \sum_{r, r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z; q^h)_{tr+t_1r_1+t_2r_2+\dots+t_kr_k} (cy/bx; q^t)_r (c_1y_1/b_1x_1; q^{t_1})_{r_1}}{(az; q^h)_{tr+t_1r_1+t_2r_2+\dots+t_kr_k} (q^t; q^t)_r (q^{t_1}; q^{t_1})_{r_1}} \\ & \times \frac{(c_2y_2/b_2x_2; q^{t_2})_{r_2} \dots (c_ky_k/b_kx_k; q^{t_k})_{r_k}}{(q^{t_2}; q^{t_2})_{r_2} \dots (q^{t_k}; q^{t_k})_{r_k}} (bx)^r (b_1x_1)^{r_1} \dots (b_kx_k)^{r_k}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

provided $|z| < 1$, $|bx| < 1$, $|b_1x_1| < 1, \dots, |b_kx_k| < 1$ $|q^{ht}| < 1$, $|q^{ht_1}| < 1$, $\dots, |q^{ht_k}| < 1$. For $h = 1$, $t = t_1 = \dots = t_k = 1$ (3.2) yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi_D [z; cy/bx, c_1y_1/b_1x_1, \dots, c_ky_k/b_kx_k; az; q; bx, b_1x_1, \dots, b_kx_k] \\ &= \frac{(z, cy, c_1y_1, \dots, c_ky_k; q)_{\infty}}{(az, bx, b_1x_1, \dots, b_kx_k; q)_{\infty}} {}_{k+2}\Phi_{k+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a, bx, b_1x_1, \dots, b_kx_k; q; z \\ cy, c_1y_1, \dots, c_ky_k \end{matrix} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

where $|z| < 1$, $|bx| < 1$, $|b_1x_1| < 1, \dots, |b_kx_k| < 1$, Φ_D is the basic Lauricella function which is the q -analogue of the fourth Lauricella function see [Andrews 1; problem 4, p. 207]. (3.3) is the theorem 5 (Andrews (1972), p. 621).

Taking $k = 1$, (3.3) yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi_D \left[z; \frac{cy}{bx}, \frac{c_1y_1}{b_1x_1}; az; q; bx, b_1x_1 \right] \\ &= \frac{(z, cy, c_1y_1; q)_{\infty}}{(az, bx, b_1x_1; q)_{\infty}} {}_3\Phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} a, bx, b_1x_1; q; z \\ cy, c_1y_1 \end{matrix} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

In chapter 3 of Agarwal, R. P. [4] book "Resonance of Ramanujan Mathematics, Part III" large number of results are given on the continued fractions for the ratio's of ${}_3\Phi_2$. Making use of these results one can have continued fraction representation for the ratio's of Φ_D .

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