

Some Applications of the (f, g) -Inversion

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Abstract We present three kinds of applications of the (f, g) -inversion due to Ma. By taking explicit functions and sequences in the (f, g) -inversion, we derive identities involving hypergeometric series and harmonic numbers. Then we give several inversion relations involving q -hypergeometric terms. Finally, we combine the (f, g) -inversion and the q -differential operators to derive some q -series identities.

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1. Introduction and preliminaries

Let \mathbb{N} denote the set of nonnegative integers and $F = (f_{n,k})_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}$ be an infinite-dimensional lower-triangular matrix, i.e., $f_{n,k} = 0$ for $n < k$. The matrix $G = (g_{n,k})_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is the inverse matrix of F if and only if

$$\sum_{i=k}^n f_{n,i} g_{i,k} = \delta_{n,k}, \quad n, k \in \mathbb{N},$$

where δ denotes the usual Kronecker delta. We call the entries $(f_{n,k}, g_{n,k})$ an inversion pair.

The study of inversion pairs began with a series of work by Gould [1], Gould-Hsu [2] and Carlitz [3]. Gessel and Stanton used the inversion pairs to derive a number of hypergeometric summations and transformations [4]. In 1996, Krattenthaler established the operator method and found an inversion pair in a general form [5]. In 2004, Ma established the (f, g) -inversion, which significantly extends Krattenthaler's results. The main result of Ma can be stated as follows.

Theorem 1.1 ([6, Theorem 1.3]) *Let $F = (f_{n,k})_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}$, $G = (g_{n,k})_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}$ be two lower triangular matrices with entries given by*

$$f_{n,k} = \frac{\prod_{i=k}^{n-1} f(x_i, y_k)}{\prod_{i=k+1}^n g(y_i, y_k)},$$

and

$$g_{n,k} = \frac{f(x_k, y_k) \prod_{i=k+1}^n f(x_i, y_n)}{f(x_n, y_n) \prod_{i=k}^{n-1} g(y_i, y_n)},$$

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where $f(x, y)$ and $g(x, y)$ are two arbitrary functions in variables x and y , $\{x_i\}$ and $\{y_i\}$ are two arbitrary sequences. Suppose further $g(x, y)$ is antisymmetric, i.e., $g(x, y) = -g(y, x)$. Then $(f_{n,k}, g_{n,k})$ is an inversion pair if and only if for all a, b, c, x ,

$$g(a, b)f(x, c) - g(a, c)f(x, b) + g(b, c)f(x, a) = 0. \tag{1.1}$$

There is a standard technique for deriving new summation formulas from known ones by using the inversion pairs [7–9]. If $(f_{n,k}, g_{n,k})$ is an inversion pair, then we have

$$a(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n f_{n,k}b(k) \iff b(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n g_{n,k}a(k). \tag{1.2}$$

If one side in (1.2) is known, then the other produces a new summation formula. Along this approach, we derive some hypergeometric identities and basic hypergeometric identities.

By taking explicit functions $f(x, y), g(x, y)$ and sequences x_i, y_i , we first derive an identity with several parameters in Section 2. As an interesting application, we obtain an identity involving harmonic numbers. Then we consider the q -cases in Section 3 and derive several inversion pairs involving basic hypergeometric terms. Finally, we combine the inversion pair and the q -differential operator to derive some basic hypergeometric identities in Section 4.

We adopt the notation and terminology in [10]. The hypergeometric series and basic hypergeometric series are defined by

$${}_rF_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_s \end{matrix} ; z \right] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1)_k (a_2)_k \cdots (a_r)_k z^k}{(b_1)_k (b_2)_k \cdots (b_s)_k k!},$$

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

where the rising factorial $(a)_k$ is given by $(a)_k = a(a+1) \cdots (a+k-1)$ and the rising q -factorial $(a; q)_k$ is given by

$$(a; q)_k = \prod_{i=0}^{k-1} (1 - aq^i).$$

We also use

$$(a; q)_{\infty} = \prod_{i=0}^{\infty} (1 - aq^i), \quad (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q)_k = (a_1; q)_k (a_2; q)_k \cdots (a_r; q)_k.$$

2. An inverse relation and its applications

In this section, we derive an identity with several parameters by taking explicit functions $f(x, y), g(x, y)$ and sequences x_i, y_i in Theorem 1.1. As two examples of the applications of the identity, we derive a curious hypergeometric identity and an identity involving harmonic numbers.

Utilizing Theorem 1.1, we obtain the following identity on hypergeometric series.

Theorem 2.1 Let $c(n)$ be the hypergeometric series

$$c(n) = {}_rF_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-2}, -n, a+n \\ b_1, \dots, b_s \end{matrix} ; z \right],$$

where $a_1, \dots, a_{r-2}, b_1, \dots, b_s$ and a, z are parameters independent of n . We have

$$\frac{(a)_{n+1}(a_1)_n \cdots (a_{r-2})_n z^n}{(b_1)_n \cdots (b_s)_n} = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} \frac{(a+2k)(a)_k}{(a+n+1)_k} c(k).$$

Proof Let $g(x, y) = x - y$ and $f(x, y) = x + y$. It is straightforward to check that (1.1) holds. Setting $x_i = a + i$ and $y_i = i$ in Theorem 1.1, we obtain an inversion pair

$$f_{n,k} = \frac{(a+2k)_{n-k}}{(n-k)!} = \frac{(a)_n (a+n)_k}{(a)_{2k} (n-k)!}, \quad g_{n,k} = (-1)^{n-k} \frac{a+2k}{a+2n} \frac{(a+n+1)_n}{(a+n+1)_k (n-k)!}. \quad (2.1)$$

Let $a(n) = (a)_n c(n)/n!$ and

$$b(k) = \frac{(-1)^k (a)_{2k} (a_1)_k \cdots (a_{r-2})_k z^k}{(b_1)_k \cdots (b_s)_k k!}.$$

We see that

$$a(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(a)_n (a+n)_k}{(a)_{2k} (n-k)!} b(k).$$

Hence by (1.2), we have

$$\frac{(-1)^n (a)_{2n} (a_1)_n \cdots (a_{r-2})_n z^n}{(b_1)_n \cdots (b_s)_n n!} = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{n-k} \frac{a+2k}{a+2n} \frac{(a+n+1)_n}{(a+n+1)_k (n-k)!} \frac{(a)_k c(k)}{k!}.$$

We thus complete the proof by some simplification. \square

When the hypergeometric series $c(n)$ has a closed formula, we will derive a summation formula on hypergeometric series.

Example 2.2 The following identity for balanced hypergeometric series of ${}_5F_4$ is the $c = 1$ case of [11, Proposition 2.11]:

$${}_5F_4 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, n+1, \frac{a}{2}, \frac{1+a}{2}, 1 + \frac{2a}{3} \\ \frac{3}{2}, 1, 1+a, \frac{2a}{3} \end{matrix} ; 1 \right] = \frac{2-2a+n}{2(1+2n)(1-a)} \frac{(1-a)_n}{n!}.$$

Setting $a = 1$ in Theorem 2.1, we thus derive

$$\frac{(n+1) \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)_n \left(\frac{1+a}{2}\right)_n \left(1 + \frac{2a}{3}\right)_n}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)_n (1+a)_n \left(\frac{2a}{3}\right)_n} = \frac{1}{2(1-a)} \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} \frac{(2-2a+k)(1-a)_k}{(2+n)_k}.$$

Huang showed that a new inversion pair can be obtained from a known one by multiplying suitable factors.

Lemma 2.3 ([12, Lemma 3.6.1]) Suppose that $F = (f_{n,k})_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $G = (g_{n,k})_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}$ are lower-triangular matrices that are inverses of each other. Let A_n and B_n be two functions of n . Then $F' = \left(\frac{f_{n,k} A_k}{B_n}\right)_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $G' = \left(\frac{g_{n,k} B_k}{A_n}\right)_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}$ are also inverses of each other.

Setting $a = 1$ in (2.1) and $A_k = \frac{(2k)!}{k!k!}$, $B_k = 1$ in Lemma 2.3, we obtain a new inversion pair:

$$f'_{n,k} = \binom{n}{k} \binom{n+k}{k}, \quad g'_{n,k} = (-1)^{n-k} \frac{\binom{2n}{n-k}(2k+1)}{\binom{2n}{n}(n+k+1)}. \tag{2.2}$$

This pair leads to an identity involving harmonic numbers, which seems to be new.

Example 2.4 It is known that [13, Equation (2.37)]

$$(-1)^n \binom{n+p}{p} \binom{n}{p} (2H_n - H_p) = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} \binom{n+k}{k} \binom{k}{p} H_k, \quad 0 \leq p \leq k,$$

where H_n denotes the n -th harmonic number $H_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}$.

Setting $a(n) = (-1)^n \binom{n+p}{p} \binom{n}{p} (2H_n - H_p)$, $b(k) = (-1)^k \binom{k}{p} H_k$ in (1.2). Since (2.2) is an inversion pair, we have

$$(-1)^n \binom{n}{p} H_n = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{n-k} \frac{\binom{2n}{n-k}(2k+1)}{\binom{2n}{n}(n+k+1)} (-1)^k \binom{k+p}{p} \binom{k}{p} (2H_k - H_p).$$

After some simplification, we obtain

$$\binom{n}{p} \binom{2n}{n} H_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{2n}{n-k} \binom{k+p}{p} \binom{k}{p} \frac{(2k+1)}{(n+k+1)} (2H_k - H_p).$$

In particular, when $p = 0$, the above identity becomes

$$\frac{1}{2} \binom{2n}{n} H_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{2n}{n-k} \frac{(2k+1)}{(n+k+1)} H_k.$$

3. Inversion relations involving q -hypergeometric terms

In this section, we will give a number of inversion pairs involving basic hypergeometric terms.

Theorem 3.1 Let $M(a, b)$ be the infinite-dimensional lower-triangular matrix

$$M(a, b) = \left(\frac{(\frac{a}{b}q; q)_n (q^{-n}, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+1}; q)_k}{(q, \frac{a}{b}q^2; q)_k} q^k \right)_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Then

$$M^{-1}(a, b) = \left(\frac{(q^{-n}; q)_k (1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{2k+1})}{(q, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+2}; q)_k (1 - \frac{a}{b}q)} q^{nk} \right)_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Proof Setting $g(x, y) = f(x, y) = x - y$, $x_i = aq^i$, $y_i = bq^{-(i+1)}$ in Theorem 1.1, we obtain the inversion pair

$$\begin{aligned} f_{n,k} &= \frac{(aq^k - bq^{-(k+1)})(aq^{k+1} - bq^{-(k+1)}) \cdots (aq^{n-1} - bq^{-(k+1)})}{(bq^{-(k+2)} - bq^{-(k+1)})(bq^{-(k+3)} - bq^{-(k+1)}) \cdots (bq^{-(n+1)} - bq^{-(k+1)})} \\ &= \frac{(\frac{a}{b}q; q)_{n+k} (q^{-n}; q)_k}{(\frac{a}{b}q; q)_{2k} (q^{-n}; q)_n} = \frac{(\frac{a}{b}q; q)_n (q^{-n}, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+1}; q)_k}{(\frac{a}{b}q; q)_{2k} (q^{-n}; q)_n}, \\ g_{n,k} &= \frac{aq^k - bq^{-(k+1)}}{aq^n - bq^{-(n+1)}} \frac{(aq^{k+1} - bq^{-(n+1)})(aq^{k+2} - bq^{-(n+1)}) \cdots (aq^n - bq^{-(n+1)})}{(bq^{-(k+1)} - bq^{-(n+1)})(bq^{-(k+2)} - bq^{-(n+1)}) \cdots (bq^{-n} - bq^{-(n+1)})} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= q^{n-k} \frac{1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{2k+1}}{1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{2n+1}} \frac{(1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{n+k+2})(1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{n+k+3}) \dots (1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{2n+1})}{(1 - q)(1 - q^2) \dots (1 - q^{n-k})} \\ &= q^{n-k} \frac{1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{2k+1}}{1 - \frac{a}{b}q} \frac{(\frac{a}{b}q; q)_{2n}}{(\frac{a}{b}q^2; q)_n (\frac{a}{b}q^{n+2}; q)_k} \frac{(q^{-n}; q)_k}{(-1)^k q^{-nk + \binom{k}{2}}} \frac{1}{(q; q)_n}. \end{aligned}$$

Taking $A_k = \frac{(\frac{a}{b}q; q)_{2k} q^k}{(q, \frac{a}{b}q^2; q)_k}$ and $B_n = \frac{1}{(q^{-n}; q)_n} = \frac{1}{(-1)^n q^{-n - \binom{n}{2}} (q; q)_n}$ in Lemma 2.3, we obtain the desired $M(a, b)$ and $M^{-1}(a, b)$. \square

Theorem 3.2 Let $N(a, b)$ be the infinite-dimensional lower-triangular matrix

$$N(a, b) = \left(\frac{(\frac{a}{b}q; q)_n (q^{-n}, \frac{b}{aq}; q)_k}{(q; q)_k (\frac{b}{a}q^{-n}; q)_k} q^k \right)_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Then

$$N^{-1}(a, b) = \left(\frac{(q^{-n}; q)_k}{(q, \frac{a}{b}q^{2-n}; q)_k} q^k \right)_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Proof Setting $g(x, y) = f(x, y) = x - y$, $x_i = aq^{i+1}$, $y_i = bq^i$ in Theorem 1.1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} f_{n,k} &= \frac{(\frac{a}{b}q; q)_n (q^{-n}; q)_k}{(q; q)_n \frac{a^k}{b^k} (\frac{b}{a}q^{-n}; q)_k}, \\ g_{n,k} &= \left(\frac{aq}{b} \right)_n \frac{(\frac{b}{aq}; q)_n (q^{-n}; q)_k}{(q; q)_n (\frac{a}{b}q^{2-n}; q)_k} q^k. \end{aligned}$$

Taking $A_k = \frac{(\frac{b}{aq}; q)_k a^k q^k}{(q; q)_k}$ and $B_n = \frac{1}{(q; q)_n}$ in Lemma 2.3, we obtain the desired $N(a, b)$ and $N^{-1}(a, b)$. \square

Theorem 3.3 Let $P(a, b)$ be the infinite-dimensional lower-triangular matrix

$$P(a, b) = \left(\frac{1 - b^2q^{2k}}{1 - b^2} \frac{(\frac{b}{a}, b^2, q^{-n}, abq^n; q)_k}{(q, abq, b^2q^{n+1}, \frac{b}{a}q^{1-n}; q)_k} q^k \right)_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Then

$$P^{-1}(a, b) = \left(\frac{1 - abq^{2k}}{1 - ab} \frac{(\frac{a}{b}, ab, q^{-n}, b^2q^n; q)_k}{(q, b^2q, abq^{n+1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{1-n}; q)_k} q^k \right)_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Proof Setting $g(x, y) = f(x, y) = (x - y)(1 - xy)$, $x_i = aq^i$, $y_i = bq^i$ in Theorem 1.1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} f_{n,k} &= \frac{b^k (\frac{a}{b}, ab; q)_n (b^2q; q)_{2k}}{a^k (q, b^2q; q)_n (ab; q)_{2k}} \frac{(q^{-n}, abq^n; q)_k}{(b^2q^{n+1}, \frac{b}{a}q^{1-n}; q)_k} q^k, \\ g_{n,k} &= \frac{1 - abq^{2k}}{1 - ab} \frac{1 - b^2q^{2n}}{1 - b^2} \frac{a^n (\frac{b}{a}, b^2; q)_n (ab; q)_{2n}}{b^n (q, abq; q)_n (b^2q; q)_{2n}} \frac{(q^{-n}, b^2q^n; q)_k}{(abq^{n+1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{1-n}; q)_k} q^k. \end{aligned}$$

Taking $A_k = \frac{a^k}{b^k} \frac{1 - b^2q^{2k}}{1 - b^2} \frac{(\frac{b}{a}, b^2; q)_k (ab; q)_{2k}}{(q, abq; q)_k (b^2q; q)_{2k}}$ and $B_n = \frac{(ab, \frac{a}{b}; q)_n}{(b^2q, q; q)_n}$ in Lemma 2.3, we obtain the desired $P(a, b)$ and $P^{-1}(a, b)$. \square

Theorem 3.4 Let $R(a, b)$ be the infinite-dimensional lower-triangular matrix

$$R(a, b) = \left(\frac{(\frac{b}{a}, q^{-n}; q)_k}{(q, \frac{b}{a}q^{1-n}; q)_k} q^k \right)_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Then

$$R^{-1}(a, b) = \left(\frac{(\frac{a}{b}, q^{-n}; q)_k}{(q, \frac{a}{b}q^{1-n}; q)_k} q^k \right)_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}} = R(b, a).$$

Proof Setting $g(x, y) = f(x, y) = (x - y)(1 - x)(1 - y)$, $x_i = aq^i$, $y_i = bq^i$ in Theorem 1.1, we get

$$f_{n,k} = \frac{b^k (\frac{a}{b}, a; q)_n (q^{-n}, bq; q)_k}{a^k (q, bq; q)_n (\frac{b}{a}q^{1-n}, a; q)_k} q^k,$$

$$g_{n,k} = \frac{a^n (\frac{b}{a}, a; q)_n (q^{-n}, bq; q)_k}{b^n (q, bq; q)_n (\frac{a}{b}q^{1-n}, a; q)_k} q^k.$$

Taking $A_k = \frac{a^k (\frac{b}{a}, a; q)_k}{b^k (q, bq; q)_k}$ and $B_n = \frac{(\frac{a}{b}, a; q)_n}{(q, bq; q)_n}$ in Lemma 2.3, we obtain the desired $R(a, b)$ and $R^{-1}(a, b)$. \square

Theorem 3.5 Let $S(a, b)$ be the infinite-dimensional lower-triangular matrix

$$S(a, b) = \left(\frac{(a; q)_n (\frac{a}{b}q^n, bq^{-k}, q^{-n}; q)_k}{(bq^{-n}; q)_n (q, a, \frac{a}{b}q; q)_k} q^k \right)_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Then

$$S^{-1}(a, b) = \left(\frac{1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{2k}}{1 - \frac{a}{b}} \frac{(a; q)_n (\frac{a}{b}, bq^{-k}, q^{-n}; q)_k}{(bq^{-n}; q)_n (q, a, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+1}; q)_k} q^{nk} \right)_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Proof Setting $g(x, y) = f(x, y) = (x - y)(1 - x)(1 - y)$, $x_i = aq^i$, $y_i = bq^{-i}$ in Theorem 1.1, we get

$$f_{n,k} = \frac{(\frac{a}{b}, a; q)_n (q^{-n}, bq^{-k}, \frac{a}{b}q^n; q)_k}{(q, bq^{-n}; q)_n (\frac{a}{b}; q)_{2k}} (-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}+n},$$

$$g_{n,k} = q^{n-k} \frac{1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{2k}}{1 - \frac{a}{b}} \frac{(a; q)_n (\frac{a}{b}; q)_{2n} (q^{-n}, bq^{-k}; q)_k}{(q, \frac{a}{b}q, bq^{-n}; q)_n (\frac{a}{b}q^{n+1}, a; q)_k} (-1)^k q^{nk - \binom{k}{2}}.$$

Taking $A_k = \frac{(\frac{a}{b}; q)_{2k}}{(\frac{a}{b}q, q; q)_k} q^k$ and $B_n = \frac{(\frac{a}{b}; q)_n}{(q; q)_n} (-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}+n}$ in Lemma 2.3, we obtain the desired $S(a, b)$ and $S^{-1}(a, b)$. \square

Now we give two examples to illustrate the applications of the inverse relations.

Example 3.6 It is known that the following transformation formula for very-well-poised ${}_8\phi_7$ series holds [10, Equation (III.18)]:

$${}_8\phi_7 \left[\begin{matrix} a, a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, -a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, b, c, d, e, q^{-n} \\ a^{\frac{1}{2}}, -a^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, \frac{aq}{d}, \frac{aq}{e}, aq^{n+1} \end{matrix} ; q, \frac{a^2q^{n+2}}{bcde} \right] = \frac{(aq, \frac{aq}{de}; q)_n}{(\frac{aq}{d}, \frac{aq}{e}; q)_n} {}_4\phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{aq}{bc}, d, e, q^{-n} \\ \frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, \frac{de}{aq^n} \end{matrix} ; q, q \right].$$

Taking $a \rightarrow \frac{a}{q}$ and $b \rightarrow 1$ in Theorem 3.1 gives

$$M\left(\frac{a}{q}, 1\right) = (f_{n,k})_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}} = \left(\frac{(a; q)_n (q^{-n}, aq^n; q)_k}{(q, aq; q)_k} q^k \right)_{n,k \in \mathbb{Z}},$$

$$M^{-1}\left(\frac{a}{q}, 1\right) = (g_{n,k})_{n,k \in \mathbb{N}} = \left(\frac{(q^{-n}; q)_k (1 - aq^{2k})}{(q, aq^{n+1}; q)_k (1 - a)} q^{nk} \right)_{n,k \in \mathbb{Z}}.$$

Now setting

$$a(k) = \frac{(a, b, c, d, e; q)_k}{(\frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, \frac{aq}{d}, \frac{aq}{e}; q)_k} \left(\frac{a^2q^2}{bcde} \right)^k$$

and

$$b(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}; q)_k (1 - aq^{2k}) q^{nk}}{(q, aq^{n+1}; q)_k (1 - a)} \frac{(a, b, c, d, e; q)_k}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, \frac{aq}{d}, \frac{aq}{e}; q\right)_k} (a^2 q^2)_{bcde}^k, \tag{3.1}$$

we see that

$$b(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n g_{n,k} a(k).$$

By (1.2), we derive that

$$\frac{(a, b, c, d, e; q)_n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, \frac{aq}{d}, \frac{aq}{e}; q\right)_n} (a^2 q^2)_{bcde}^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(a; q)_n (q^{-n}, aq^n; q)_k q^k}{(q, aq; q)_k} \frac{(aq, \frac{aq}{de}; q)_k}{\left(\frac{aq}{d}, \frac{aq}{e}; q\right)_k} {}_4\phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{aq}{bc}, d, e, q^{-k} \\ \frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, \frac{de}{aq^k} \end{matrix}; q, q \right].$$

After some simplification, we obtain

$$\frac{(b, c, d, e; q)_n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, \frac{aq}{d}, \frac{aq}{e}; q\right)_n} (a^2 q^2)_{bcde}^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, aq^n, \frac{aq}{de}; q)_k q^k}{(q, \frac{aq}{d}, \frac{aq}{e}; q)_k} {}_4\phi_3 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{aq}{bc}, d, e, q^{-k} \\ \frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, \frac{de}{aq^k} \end{matrix}; q, q \right].$$

Example 3.7 It is known that the following summation formula for very-well-poised ${}_{10}\phi_9$ series holds [10, Exercise 2.12]:

$${}_{10}\phi_9 \left[\begin{matrix} a, \sqrt{aq}, -\sqrt{aq}, \sqrt{b}, -\sqrt{b}, \sqrt{bq}, -\sqrt{bq}, \frac{a}{b}, \frac{a^2}{b} q^{n+1}, q^{-n} \\ \sqrt{a}, -\sqrt{a}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, bq, \frac{b}{a} q^{-n}, aq^{n+1} \end{matrix}; q, q \right] = \frac{(aq, \frac{a^2 q}{b^2}; q)_n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, \frac{a^2 q}{b}; q\right)_n}.$$

Taking $a \rightarrow \frac{a}{\sqrt{b}}$ and $b \rightarrow \sqrt{b}$ in Theorem 3.3 results in

$$P\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{b}}, \sqrt{b}\right) = \left(\frac{1 - bq^{2k}}{1 - b} \frac{\left(\frac{b}{a}, b, q^{-n}, aq^n; q\right)_k}{(q, aq, bq^{n+1}, \frac{b}{a} q^{1-n}; q)_k} q^k\right)_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}},$$

$$P^{-1}\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{b}}, \sqrt{b}\right) = \left(\frac{1 - aq^{2k}}{1 - a} \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}, a, q^{-n}, bq^n; q\right)_k}{(q, bq, aq^{n+1}, \frac{a}{b} q^{1-n}; q)_k} q^k\right)_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Setting $b \rightarrow \frac{a^2 q}{b}$ in the above inversion, we get

$$Q(a, b) = (f_{n,k})_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}} = \left(\frac{1 - \frac{a^2 q}{b} q^{2k}}{1 - \frac{a^2 q}{b}} \frac{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, \frac{a^2 q}{b}, q^{-n}, aq^n; q\right)_k}{(q, aq, \frac{a^2 q^{n+2}}{b}, \frac{aq^{2-n}}{b}; q)_k} q^k\right)_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}},$$

$$Q^{-1}(a, b) = (g_{n,k})_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}} = \left(\frac{1 - aq^{2k}}{1 - a} \frac{\left(\frac{b}{aq}, a, q^{-n}, \frac{a^2}{b} q^{n+1}; q\right)_k}{(q, \frac{a^2 q^2}{b}, aq^{n+1}, \frac{b}{a} q^{-n}; q)_k} q^k\right)_{n, k \in \mathbb{N}}.$$

Set

$$a(k) = \frac{\left(\frac{a^2 q^2}{b}, \sqrt{b}, -\sqrt{b}, \sqrt{bq}, -\sqrt{bq}, \frac{a}{b}; q\right)_k}{\left(\frac{b}{aq}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, bq; q\right)_k}$$

and

$$b(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1 - aq^{2k}}{1 - a} \frac{\left(\frac{b}{aq}, a, q^{-n}, \frac{a^2}{b} q^{n+1}; q\right)_k}{(q, \frac{a^2 q^2}{b}, aq^{n+1}, \frac{b}{a} q^{-n}; q)_k} q^k \frac{\left(\frac{a^2 q^2}{b}, \sqrt{b}, -\sqrt{b}, \sqrt{bq}, -\sqrt{bq}, \frac{a}{b}; q\right)_k}{\left(\frac{b}{aq}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, bq; q\right)_k},$$

we see that

$$b(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n g_{n,k} a(k),$$

and thus

$$\frac{\left(\frac{a^2q^2}{b}, \sqrt{b}, -\sqrt{b}, \sqrt{bq}, -\sqrt{bq}, \frac{a}{b}; q\right)_n}{\left(\frac{b}{aq}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, bq; q\right)_n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1 - \frac{a^2q}{b}q^{2k}}{1 - \frac{a^2q}{b}} \frac{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, \frac{a^2q}{b}, q^{-n}, aq^n; q\right)_k}{\left(q, aq, \frac{a^2q^{n+2}}{b}, \frac{aq^{2-n}}{b}; q\right)_k} q^k \frac{\left(aq, \frac{a^2q}{b^2}; q\right)_k}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, \frac{a^2q}{b}; q\right)_k}.$$

After some simplification, we obtain

$${}_5\phi_4 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{a^2q}{b^2}, \frac{aq\sqrt{q}}{\sqrt{b}}, -\frac{aq\sqrt{q}}{\sqrt{b}}, q^{-n}, aq^n \\ \frac{a\sqrt{q}}{\sqrt{b}}, -\frac{a\sqrt{q}}{\sqrt{b}}, \frac{a^2q^{n+2}}{b}, \frac{aq^{2-n}}{b} \end{matrix}; q, q \right] = \frac{\left(\frac{a^2q^2}{b}, \sqrt{b}, -\sqrt{b}, \sqrt{bq}, -\sqrt{bq}, \frac{a}{b}; q\right)_n}{\left(\frac{b}{aq}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{b}}, \frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, -\frac{aq}{\sqrt{bq}}, bq; q\right)_n}.$$

In particular, when $b = q$, the above identity becomes

$${}_5\phi_4 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{a^2}{q}, aq, -aq, q^{-n}, aq^n \\ a, -a, a^2q^{n+1}, aq^{1-n} \end{matrix}; q, q \right] = \frac{\left(a^2q, \sqrt{q}, -\sqrt{q}, q, -q, \frac{a}{q}; q\right)_n}{\left(\frac{1}{a}, a\sqrt{q}, -a\sqrt{q}, a, -a, q^2; q\right)_n}.$$

4. q -Differential operator

In this section, we combine the inversion formula and the q -differential operator to derive some identities.

The q -differential operator D_q and the q -shifted operator η , acting on the variable x , are defined by

$$D_q\{f(x)\} = \frac{f(x) - f(xq)}{x}, \quad \eta\{f(x)\} = f(xq),$$

respectively. Moreover,

$$\eta^{-1}\{f(x)\} = f(xq^{-1}), \quad \theta = \eta^{-1}D_q.$$

Let a be a parameter and T be an operator. The operator aT and T^n are given by

$$(aT)\{f(x)\} = a \cdot T\{f(x)\}$$

and

$$T^0\{f(x)\} = f(x), \quad T^n\{f(x)\} = T\{T^{n-1}\{f(x)\}\}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

We also use the notation

$$\Phi = {}_r\phi_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_r \\ b_1, \dots, b_s \end{matrix}; q, T \right]$$

to denote the operator

$$\Phi\{f(x)\} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_r; q)_k}{(q, b_1, \dots, b_s; q)_k} \left((-1)^k q^{\binom{k}{2}}\right)^{1+s-r} T^k\{f(x)\}.$$

In this following context, all operators only act on the variable d .

Zhang and Wang [14, Lemma 2.3] derived the following formulas

$$\begin{aligned} D_q \left\{ \frac{(du; q)_{\infty}}{(dv; q)_{\infty}} \right\} &= \frac{v^n (u/v; q)_n (duq^n; q)_{\infty}}{(dv; q)_{\infty}}, \\ \theta^n \left\{ \frac{(du; q)_{\infty}}{(dv; q)_{\infty}} \right\} &= \frac{v^n q^{-\binom{n}{2}} (u/v; q)_n (du; q)_{\infty}}{(dvq^{-n}; q)_{\infty}}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

Lemma 4.1 ([15, Theorem 2.3]) *We have*

$${}_r\phi_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_r \\ b_1, \dots, b_s \end{matrix} ; q, bD_q \right] \left\{ \frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty} \right\} = \frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty} {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_r, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_s, du \end{matrix} ; q, bv \right], \quad (4.2)$$

where b is independent of d .

We generalize Theorem 2.16 of [15] as follows.

Lemma 4.2 *We have*

$${}_r\phi_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_r \\ b_1, \dots, b_s \end{matrix} ; q, -b\theta \right] \left\{ \frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty} \right\} = \frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty} {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_r, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_s, \frac{q}{dv} \end{matrix} ; q, \frac{bq}{d} \right],$$

where b is independent of d .

Proof By (4.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_r\phi_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_r \\ b_1, \dots, b_s \end{matrix} ; q, -b\theta \right] \left\{ \frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_r; q)_k}{(q, b_1, \dots, b_s; q)_k} \left((-1)^k q^{\binom{k}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} (-b)^k \theta^k \left\{ \frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_r; q)_k}{(q, b_1, \dots, b_s; q)_k} \left((-1)^k q^{\binom{k}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} (-b)^k \frac{v^k q^{-\binom{k}{2}} (u/v; q)_k (du; q)_\infty}{(dvq^{-k}; q)_\infty} \\ &= \frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty} {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_r, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_s, \frac{q}{dv} \end{matrix} ; q, \frac{bq}{d} \right]. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 4.3 *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1 - \frac{aq}{b}}{1 - \frac{aq^{2n+1}}{b}} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, u/v; q)_n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, du; q\right)_n} z^n \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+1}; q)_k q^k}{\left(q, \frac{a}{b}q^2; q\right)_k} {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, q^{-k}, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{k+2}, du \end{matrix} ; q, zq^k \right], \end{aligned}$$

where $z, a, b, a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}$ and b_1, \dots, b_{s-1} are independent of n and d .

Proof By (1.2) and Theorem 3.1, we have

$$a(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}q; q\right)_n (q^{-n}, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+1}; q)_k}{\left(q, \frac{a}{b}q^2; q\right)_k} q^k b(k) \Leftrightarrow b(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}; q)_k \left(1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{2k+1}\right)}{\left(q, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+2}; q\right)_k \left(1 - \frac{a}{b}q\right)} q^{nk} a(k). \quad (4.3)$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} b(n) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, q^{-n}; q)_k}{(q, b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+2}; q)_k} \frac{z^k q^{nk}}{v^k} \left((-1)^k q^{\binom{k}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} D_q^k \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}; q)_k \left(1 - \frac{a}{b}q^{2k+1}\right)}{\left(q, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+2}; q\right)_k \left(1 - \frac{a}{b}q\right)} q^{nk} \frac{1 - \frac{aq}{b}}{1 - \frac{aq^{2k+1}}{b}} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}; q)_k z^k}{(b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}; q)_k v^k} \left((-1)^k q^{\binom{k}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} D_q^k. \end{aligned}$$

Taking $a(k) = \frac{1 - \frac{aq}{b}}{1 - \frac{aq^{2k+1}}{b}} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}; q)_k z^k}{(b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}; q)_k v^k} \left((-1)^k q^{\binom{k}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} D_q^k$ in (4.3), we derive

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1 - \frac{aq}{b}}{1 - \frac{aq^{2n+1}}{b}} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}; q)_n z^n}{\left(\frac{a}{b}q, b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}; q\right)_n v^n} \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} D_q^n \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+1}; q)_k}{\left(q, \frac{a}{b}q^2; q\right)_k} q^k {}_r\phi_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, q^{-k} \\ b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{k+2} \end{matrix}; q, \frac{zq^k}{v} D_q \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Acting on $\frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty}$, by (4.1) and (4.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1 - \frac{aq}{b}}{1 - \frac{aq^{2n+1}}{b}} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}; q)_n z^n}{\left(\frac{a}{b}q, b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}; q\right)_n v^n} \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} \frac{v^n (u/v; q)_n (duq^n; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+1}; q)_k}{\left(q, \frac{a}{b}q^2; q\right)_k} q^k \frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty} {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, q^{-k}, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{k+2}, du \end{matrix}; q, zq^k \right]. \end{aligned}$$

After some simplification, we complete the proof. \square

Theorem 4.4 We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, u/v; q)_n z^n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, du; q\right)_n} \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, \frac{b}{aq}; q)_k}{\left(q, \frac{b}{a}q^{-n}; q\right)_k} q^k {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, q^{-k}, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{2-k}, du \end{matrix}; q, zq \right], \end{aligned}$$

where $z, a, b, a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}$ and b_1, \dots, b_{s-1} are independent of n and d .

Proof By (1.2) and Theorem 3.2 we have

$$a(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}q; q\right)_n (q^{-n}, \frac{b}{aq}; q)_k}{(q; q)_k \left(\frac{b}{a}q^{-n}; q\right)_k} q^k b(k) \Leftrightarrow b(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}; q)_k}{\left(q, \frac{a}{b}q^{2-n}; q\right)_k} q^k a(k). \tag{4.4}$$

Let

$$b(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}; q)_k}{\left(q, \frac{a}{b}q^{2-n}; q\right)_k} q^k \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}; q)_k z^k}{(b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}; q)_k v^k} \left((-1)^k q^{\binom{k}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} D_q^k.$$

Taking $a(k) = \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}; q)_k z^k}{(b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}; q)_k v^k} \left((-1)^k q^{\binom{k}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} D_q^k$ in (4.4), we derive

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}; q)_n z^n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}; q\right)_n v^n} \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} D_q^n \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, \frac{b}{aq}; q)_k}{\left(q, \frac{b}{a}q^{-n}; q\right)_k} q^k {}_r\phi_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, q^{-k} \\ b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{2-k} \end{matrix}; q, \frac{zq}{v} D_q \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Acting on $\frac{(du; q)_\infty}{(dv; q)_\infty}$, we complete the proof after some simplification. \square

In a similar way, we derive the following theorem by (1.2) and Theorem 3.3.

Theorem 4.5 We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1 - b^2}{1 - b^2 q^{2n}} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-2}, abq, u/v; q)_n z^n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, b_1, \dots, b_{s-2}, \frac{b}{a}, b^2, du; q\right)_n} \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \right)^{1+s-r} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1 - abq^{2k}}{1 - ab} \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}, ab, q^{-n}, b^2 q^n; q\right)_k}{\left(q, b^2 q, abq^{n+1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{1-n}; q\right)_k} q^k {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-2}, q^{-k}, abq^k, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_{s-2}, b^2 q^{k+1}, \frac{b}{a}q^{1-k}, du \end{matrix}; q, zq \right], \end{aligned}$$

where $z, a, b, a_1, \dots, a_{r-2}$ and b_1, \dots, b_{s-2} are independent of n and d .

For the operator θ , we derive some identities by (1.2) and Theorems 3.1–3.3.

Theorem 4.6 We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1 - \frac{aq}{b}}{1 - \frac{aq^{2n+1}}{b}} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, u/v; q)_n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{q}{dv}; q\right)_n} \left(\frac{zq}{d}\right)^n \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}}\right)^{1+s-r} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, \frac{a}{b}q^{n+1}; q)_k q^k}{\left(q, \frac{a}{b}q^2; q\right)_k} {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, q^{-k}, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{k+2}, \frac{q}{dv} \end{matrix}; q, \frac{zq^{k+1}}{d} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where $z, a, b, a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}$ and b_1, \dots, b_{s-1} are independent of n and d .

Theorem 4.7 We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, u/v; q)_n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{q}{dv}; q\right)_n} \left(\frac{zq}{d}\right)^n \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}}\right)^{1+s-r} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, \frac{b}{aq}; q)_k}{\left(q, \frac{b}{a}q^{-n}; q\right)_k} q^k {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}, q^{-k}, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_{s-1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{2-k}, \frac{q}{dv} \end{matrix}; q, \frac{zq^2}{d} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where $z, a, b, a_1, \dots, a_{r-1}$ and b_1, \dots, b_{s-1} are independent of n and d .

Theorem 4.8 We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1 - b^2}{1 - b^2q^{2n}} \frac{(a_1, \dots, a_{r-2}, abq, u/v; q)_n}{\left(b_1, \dots, b_{s-2}, \frac{b}{a}, b^2, \frac{q}{dv}; q\right)_n} \left(\frac{zq}{d}\right)^n \left((-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}}\right)^{1+s-r} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1 - abq^{2k}}{1 - ab} \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b}, ab, q^{-n}, b^2q^n; q\right)_k}{\left(q, b^2q, abq^{n+1}, \frac{a}{b}q^{1-n}; q\right)_k} q^k {}_{r+1}\phi_{s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_{r-2}, q^{-k}, abq^k, u/v \\ b_1, \dots, b_{s-2}, b^2q^{k+1}, \frac{b}{a}q^{1-k}, \frac{q}{dv} \end{matrix}; q, \frac{zq^2}{d} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where $z, a, b, a_1, \dots, a_{r-2}$ and b_1, \dots, b_{s-2} are independent of n and d .

We conclude with two examples of the applications of these theorems.

Example 4.9 Let $a_1 = a, a_2 = a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, a_3 = -a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, a_4 = b, a_5 = c, b_1 = a^{\frac{1}{2}}, b_2 = -a^{\frac{1}{2}}, b_3 = \frac{aq}{b}, b_4 = \frac{aq}{c}$. Taking $\frac{aq}{b} \rightarrow a$ in Theorem 4.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1 - a}{1 - aq^{2n}} \frac{(a, a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, -a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, b, c, u/v; q)_n}{\left(a, a^{\frac{1}{2}}, -a^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, du; q\right)_n} z^n \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, aq^n; q)_k q^k}{(q, aq; q)_k} {}_7\phi_6 \left[\begin{matrix} a, a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, -a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, b, c, q^{-k}, u/v \\ a^{\frac{1}{2}}, -a^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, aq^{k+1}, du \end{matrix}; q, zq^k \right]. \end{aligned}$$

After some simplification, we get

$$\frac{(b, c, u/v; q)_n}{\left(\frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, du; q\right)_n} z^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, aq^n; q)_k q^k}{(q, aq; q)_k} {}_7\phi_6 \left[\begin{matrix} a, a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, -a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, b, c, q^{-k}, u/v \\ a^{\frac{1}{2}}, -a^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{aq}{b}, \frac{aq}{c}, aq^{k+1}, du \end{matrix}; q, zq^k \right].$$

Example 4.10 Let $a_1 = a, a_2 = a^{\frac{1}{2}}q, a_3 = b, b_1 = a^{\frac{1}{2}}, b_2 = \frac{aq}{b}$. Taking $\frac{aq}{b} \rightarrow b^2$ in Theorem 4.7, we have

$$\frac{(a, a^{1/2}q, b, u/v; q)_n}{\left(b^2, a^{1/2}, \frac{aq}{b}, \frac{q}{dv}; q\right)_n} \left(\frac{zq}{d}\right)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, \frac{1}{b^2}; q)_k}{\left(q, \frac{1}{b^2}q^{1-n}; q\right)_k} q^k {}_5\phi_4 \left[\begin{matrix} a, a^{1/2}q, b, q^{-k}, u/v \\ a^{1/2}, \frac{aq}{b}, b^2q^{1-k}, \frac{q}{dv} \end{matrix}; q, \frac{zq^2}{d} \right].$$

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