

ON CONTINUED FRACTIONS AND LAMBERT SERIES

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Abstract: In this paper, we have established certain results involving continued fractions and Lambert series.

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1. Introduction, Notations and Definitions

The q-shifted factorial is defined by,

$$(a; q)_n = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \\ (1-a)(1-aq)\dots(1-aq^{n-1}), & n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Also,

$$(a; q)_{-n} = \frac{q^{n(n+1)/2}}{(-a)^n (q/a; q)_n}$$

The generalized basic hypergeometric series is given by,

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

where max. $(|q|, |z|) < 1$.

A generalized bilateral basic hypergeometric series is defined by,

$${}_r\Psi_r \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q; z \end{matrix} \right] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1; q)_n (a_2; q)_n \dots (a_r; q)_n z^n}{(b_1; q)_n (b_2; q)_n \dots (b_r; q)_n},$$

where $\left| \frac{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_r}{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r} \right| < |z| < 1$ for the convergence of the series.

An infinite continued fraction has the form,

$$b_0 + \frac{a_1}{b_1 + \frac{a_2}{b_2 + \frac{a_3}{b_3 + \dots}}}$$

To save space, this continued fraction is sometimes written as,

$$b_0 + \frac{a_1}{b_1 +} \frac{a_2}{b_2 +} \frac{a_3}{b_3 +} \dots$$

There are a number of fascinating results on continued fractions in Notebooks of Ramanujan specially in the second and 'Lost' Notebooks. Many mathematicians such as B. Gordon [7], L. Carlitz [4], Hirschhorn [9], K.G. Ramanathan [13], G.E. Andrews & B.C. Berndt [1], S. Bhargava and C. Adiga [2], D.P. Gupta and D. Masson [8], R.Y. Denis [5,6], S.N. Singh [14], N. Bhagirathi [3], H.M. Srivastava et. al. [16] and many others have proved and also generalized the results of Ramanujan on continued fractions.

In this paper, we have made an attempt to give some interesting and new results on continued fractions.

2. Main Results

In this section, we shall establish our main results on continued fractions.

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n q^{in}}{1 - \mu q^{kn+j}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{kn^2+n(i+j)} (\lambda\mu)^n (1 - \lambda\mu q^{2kn+i+j})}{(1 - \mu q^{kn+j})(1 - \lambda q^{kn+i})} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 - \mu q^j) -} \frac{\lambda q^i (1 - \mu q^j)^2}{(1 - \mu q^{k+j}) -} \frac{\lambda \mu q^{i+j} (1 - q^k)^2}{(1 - \mu q^{2k+j}) -} \frac{\lambda q^{k+i} (1 - \mu q^{k+j})^2}{(1 - \mu q^{3k+j}) -} \\ &\quad \frac{\lambda \mu q^{k+i+j} (1 - q^{2k})^2}{(1 - \mu q^{4k+j}) -} \frac{\lambda q^{2k+i} (1 - \mu q^{2k+j})^2}{(1 - \mu q^{5k+j}) -} \frac{\lambda \mu q^{2k+i+j} (1 - q^{3k})^2}{(1 - \mu q^{6k+j}) -} \dots \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

which is the continued fraction representation of the most general Lambert series.

(ii)

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n q^{in}}{1 - \mu q^{kn+j}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda\mu)^n q^{kn^2+n(i+j)} (1 - \lambda\mu q^{2kn+i+j})}{(1 - \mu q^{kn+j})(1 - \lambda q^{kn+i})}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{\lambda\mu} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{kn^2+n(2k-i-j)+(k-i-j)} \left(1 - \frac{q^{2kn+2k-i-j}}{\lambda\mu}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{q^{kn+k-i}}{\lambda}\right) \left(1 - \frac{q^{kn+k-j}}{\mu}\right) (\lambda\mu)^n} \\
 & = \frac{(q^k; q^k)_{\infty}^2 (\lambda\mu q^{i+j}, q^{k-i-j}/\lambda\mu; q^k)_{\infty}}{(\mu q^j, q^{k-j}/\mu, \lambda q^i, q^{k-i}/\lambda; q^k)_{\infty}} \tag{2.2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of (2.1).

In order to prove (2.1) let us consider the ratio,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(aq; q)_n (b; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n (c; q)_n}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n (b; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n (c; q)_n}} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(b; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n (c; q)_n} \{(aq; q)_n - (a; q)_n\}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(aq; q)_n (b; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n (c; q)_n}}} \\
 & = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{az(1-b)/(1-c)}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(aq; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n} \left\{ \frac{(bq; q)_n}{(cq; q)_n} - \frac{(b; q)_n}{(c; q)_n} \right\}}} \\
 & = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{az(1-b)/(1-c)}{z(b-c)(1-aq)/(1-c)(1-cq) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(bq; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n} \left\{ \frac{(aq^2; q)_n}{(cq^2; q)_n} - \frac{(aq; q)_n}{(cq; q)_n} \right\}}} \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(aq^2; q)_n (bq; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n (cq^2; q)_n}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{az(1-b)/(1-c)}{1 - \frac{z(b-c)(1-aq)/(1-c)(1-cq)}{1 - \frac{zq(a-c)(1-bq)/(1-cq)(1-cq^2)}{1 - \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(aq^2; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n} \left\{ \frac{(bq^2; q)_n}{(cq^3; q)_n} - \frac{(bq; q)_n}{(cq^2; q)_n} \right\}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(aq^2; q)_n (bq^2; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n (cq^3; q)_n}}}
\end{aligned}$$

Iterating this process we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(aq; q)_n (b; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n (c; q)_n}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n (b; q)_n z^n}{(q; q)_n (c; q)_n}} &= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{az(1-b)/(1-c)}{1 - \frac{z(b-c)(1-aq)/(1-c)(1-cq)}{1 - \frac{zq(a-c)(1-bq)/(1-cq)(1-cq^2)}{1 - \frac{zq(b-cq)(1-aq^2)/(1-cq^2)(1-cq^3)}{1 - \frac{zq^2(a-cq)(1-bq^2)/(1-cq^3)(1-cq^4)}{1 - \dots}}}}
\end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

Taking $a = 1$, using Rogers-Fine identity [1; (9.1.1), p. 223] and lastly applying [10; (2.3.14), p. 33] in (2.3) we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(b; q)_n z^n}{(c; q)_n} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(b; q)_n (bzq/c; q)_n c^n z^n q^{n^2-n} (1 - bzq^{2n})}{(c; q)_n (z; q)_{n+1}} \\
&= \frac{1}{1 - (1-c) - \frac{z(1-b)}{(1-cq) - \frac{z(b-c)(1-q)}{(1-cq^2) - \frac{zq(1-c)(1-bq)}{(1-cq^3) - \frac{zq(b-cq)(1-q^2)}{zq^2(1-cq)(1-bq^2)} - \frac{zq^2(b-cq^2)(1-q^3)}{(1-cq^4) - \dots}}}}
\end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

Again, taking $c = bq$ in (2.4) we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{1 - bq^n} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{b^n z^n q^{n^2} (1 - bzq^{2n})}{(1 - bq^n)(1 - zq^n)} \\
&= \frac{1}{(1-b) - \frac{z(1-b)^2}{(1-bq) - \frac{bz(1-q)^2}{(1-bq^2) - \frac{zq(1-bq)^2}{(1-bq^3) - \frac{bzq(1-q^2)^2}{(1-bq^4) - \dots}}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{zq^2(1 - bq^2)^2}{(1 - bq^5) -} \frac{bzq^2(1 - q^3)^2}{(1 - bq^6) -} \dots \quad (2.5)$$

Now, first replacing q by q^k and then replacing z by λq^i and b by μq^j in (2.5) we get (2.1).

Proof of (2.2).

In order to prove (2.2) let us consider the Ramanujan's ${}_1\Psi_1$ summation formula, viz.,

$${}_1\Psi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} a; q; z \\ b \end{matrix} \right] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n z^n}{(b; q)_n} = \frac{(q, b/a, az, q/az; q)_{\infty}}{(b, q/a, z, b/az; q)_{\infty}} \quad (2.6)$$

[15; App IV (IV. 12)]

which can be written as,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n z^n}{(b; q)_n} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n z^n}{(b; q)_n} + \frac{(1 - \frac{q}{b})}{(1 - \frac{q}{a})} \left(\frac{b}{az} \right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\frac{q^2}{b}; q)_n}{(\frac{q^2}{a}; q)_n} \left(\frac{b}{az} \right)^n \\ &= \frac{(q, b/a, az, q/az; q)_{\infty}}{(b, q/a, z, b/az; q)_{\infty}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

Using Rogers-Fine identity [1, (9.1.1), p. 223] in (2.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n z^n}{(b; q)_n} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_n (azq/b; q)_n b^n z^n q^{n^2-n} (1 - azq^{2n})}{(b; q)_n (z; q)_{n+1}} \\ &+ \frac{(1 - \frac{q}{b})}{(1 - \frac{q}{a})} \left(\frac{b}{az} \right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(q^2/b; q)_n (q/z; q)_n \left(\frac{b}{az} \right)^n \left(\frac{q^2}{a} \right)^n q^{n^2-n} \left(1 - \frac{q^{2n+2}}{az} \right)}{\left(\frac{q^2}{a}; q \right)_n \left(\frac{b}{az}; q \right)_{n+1}} \\ &= \frac{(q, b/a, az, q/az; q)_{\infty}}{(b, q/a, z, b/az; q)_{\infty}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

Taking $b = aq$ in (2.8) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{1 - aq^n} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a^n z^n q^{n^2} (1 - azq^{2n})}{(1 - aq^n)(1 - zq^n)} - \left(\frac{q}{az} \right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n^2+2n} \left(1 - \frac{q^{2n+2}}{az} \right)}{\left(1 - \frac{q^{n+1}}{a} \right) \left(1 - \frac{q^{n+1}}{z} \right) (az)^n} \\ &= \frac{(q; q)_{\infty}^2 (az, q/az; q)_{\infty}}{(q, q/a, z, q/z; q)_{\infty}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

Replacing q by q^k and then replacing z by λq^i and a by μq^j in (2.9) we get (2.2).

3. Spaceial Cases

In this section we shall deduce certain interesting special cases of (2.1) and (2.2)

(i) Taking $\lambda = \mu$ and $i = j$ in (2.1) we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n q^{in}}{1 - \lambda q^{kn+i}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{kn^2+2in} \lambda^{2n} (1 + \lambda q^{kn+i})}{(1 - \lambda q^{kn+i})} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 - \lambda q^i) -} \frac{\lambda q^i (1 - \lambda q^i)^2}{(1 - \lambda q^{k+i}) -} \frac{\lambda^2 q^{2i} (1 - q^k)^2}{(1 - \lambda q^{2k+i}) -} \frac{\lambda q^{k+i} (1 - \lambda q^{k+i})^2}{(1 - \lambda q^{3k+i}) -} \\ &\quad \frac{\lambda^2 q^{k+2i} (1 - q^{2k})^2}{(1 - \lambda q^{4k+i}) -} \frac{\lambda q^{2k+i} (1 - \lambda q^{2k+i})^2}{(1 - \lambda q^{5k+i}) -} \frac{\lambda^2 q^{2k+2i} (1 - q^{3k})^2}{(1 - \lambda q^{6k+i}) -} \dots \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

(ii) Taking $\lambda = -1$, $\mu = 1$, $i = j = 2$, $k = 4$ in (2.1) and using [1; Entry (18.2.4), p. 397] we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^2(q^4) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-)^n q^{2n}}{1 - q^{4n+2}} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{4n^2+4n} (-)^n (1 + q^{8n+4})}{(1 - q^{8n+4})} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 - q^2) +} \frac{q^2 (1 - q^2)^2}{(1 - q^6) +} \frac{q^4 (1 - q^4)^2}{(1 - q^{10}) +} \frac{q^6 (1 - q^6)^2}{(1 - q^{14}) +} \frac{q^8 (1 - q^8)^2}{(1 - q^{18}) +} \dots \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

(iii) Again, taking $\lambda = 1$, $\mu = -1$, $i = j = 1$, $k = 2$ in (2.1) and using [1; Entry (18.2.4), p. 397] we find,

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^2(q^2) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{1 + q^{2n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2n^2+2n} (-)^n (1 + q^{4n+2})}{(1 - q^{4n+2})} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 + q) -} \frac{q(1 + q)^2}{(1 + q^3) +} \frac{q^2(1 - q^2)^2}{(1 + q^5) -} \frac{q^3(1 + q^3)^2}{(1 + q^7) +} \\ &\quad \frac{q^4(1 - q^4)^2}{(1 + q^9) -} \frac{q^5(1 + q^5)^2}{(1 + q^{11}) +} \frac{q^6(1 - q^6)^2}{(1 + q^{13}) -} \dots \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

Comparing (3.2) and (3.3) we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2n}}{1 + q^{4n+2}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-)^n q^{2n}}{(1 - q^{4n+2})} \quad (3.3(a))$$

(iv) Choosing $i = 1, \lambda = 1, k = 5$ in (3.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{1 - q^{5n+1}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5n^2+2n}(1 + q^{5n+1})}{(1 - q^{5n+1})} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 - q) -} \frac{q(1 - q)^2}{(1 - q^6) -} \frac{q^2(1 - q^5)^2}{(1 - q^{11}) -} \frac{q^6(1 - q^6)^2}{(1 - q^{16}) -} \\ &\quad \frac{q^7(1 - q^{10})^2}{(1 - q^{21}) -} \frac{q^{11}(1 - q^{11})^2}{(1 - q^{26}) -} \frac{q^{12}(1 - q^{15})^2}{(1 - q^{31}) -} \dots \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

(v) Again, choosing $i = 2, \lambda = 1$ and $k = 5$ in (3.1), we find

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2n}}{1 - q^{5n+2}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5n^2+4n}(1 + q^{5n+2})}{(1 - q^{5n+2})} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 - q^2) -} \frac{q^2(1 - q^2)^2}{(1 - q^7) -} \frac{q^4(1 - q^5)^2}{(1 - q^{12}) -} \frac{q^7(1 - q^7)^2}{(1 - q^{17}) -} \\ &\quad \frac{q^9(1 - q^{10})^2}{(1 - q^{22}) -} \frac{q^{12}(1 - q^{12})^2}{(1 - q^{27}) -} \dots \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

(vi) Taking $\mu = \lambda, i = j$ in (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n q^{in}}{1 - \lambda q^{kn+i}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{kn^2+2ni} \lambda^{2n} (1 + \lambda q^{kn+i})}{(1 - \lambda q^{kn+i})} \\ &- \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{kn^2+n(2k-2i)+k-2i} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\lambda} q^{kn+k-i}\right) \lambda^{-2n-4}}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda} q^{kn+k-i}\right)} = \frac{(q^k; q^k)_{\infty}^2 (\lambda^2 q^{2i}, q^{k-2i}/\lambda^2; q^k)_{\infty}}{(\lambda q^i; q^k)_{\infty}^2 (q^{k-i}/\lambda; q^k)_{\infty}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

(vii) Taking $k = 5i, \lambda = 1$ in (3.6) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{in}}{1 - q^{5in+i}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5n^2i+2ni}(1 + q^{5ni+i})}{(1 - q^{5ni+i})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5in^2+8in+3i}(1 + q^{5ni+4i})}{(1 - q^{5ni+4i})} \\ &= \frac{(q^{5i}; q^{5i})_{\infty}^2 (q^{2i}, q^{3i}; q^{5i})_{\infty}}{(q^i, q^{4i}; q^{5i})_{\infty}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

(viii) Again, choosing $k = 5i, \lambda = q^i$ in (3.6) we get

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2in}}{1 - q^{5in+2i}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5n^2i+4ni}(1 + q^{5ni+2i})}{(1 - q^{5ni+2i})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5in^2+6in+i}(1 + q^{5ni+3i})}{(1 - q^{5ni+3i})}$$

$$= \frac{(q^{5i}; q^{5i})_{\infty}^2 (q^{4i}, q^i; q^{5i})_{\infty}}{(q^{2i}, q^{3i}; q^{5i})_{\infty}^2} \quad (3.8)$$

(ix) Dividing (3.7) by (3.8) and comparing with [1; Corollary (6.2.6), p. 153] we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{in}}{1 - q^{5in+i}}}{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2in}}{1 - q^{5in+2i}}} &= \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5n^2 i + 2ni} (1 + q^{5ni+i})}{(1 - q^{5ni+i})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5in^2 + 8in+3i} (1 + q^{5ni+4i})}{(1 - q^{5ni+4i})}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5n^2 i + 4ni} (1 + q^{5ni+2i})}{(1 - q^{5ni+2i})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{5in^2 + 6in+i} (1 + q^{5ni+3i})}{(1 - q^{5ni+3i})}} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{(q^{2i}, q^{3i}, q^{5i})_{\infty}}{(q^i, q^{4i}, q^{5i})_{\infty}} \right\}^3 \\ &= \left\{ 1 + \frac{q^i}{1} \frac{q^{2i}}{1+} \frac{q^{3i}}{1+} \dots \right\}^3 \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

For $i = 1$, (3.9) gives [1; Entry (4.4.1), p. 117].

(x) Taking $k = 4$, $i = 1$, $\lambda = 1$ in (3.6) and then using [1; (6.2.25), p. 151] we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{1 - q^{4n+1}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{4n^2+2n} (1 + q^{4n+1})}{(1 - q^{4n+1})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{4n^2+6n+2} (1 + q^{4n+3})}{(1 - q^{4n+3})} \\ &= \frac{(q^4; q^4)_{\infty}^2 (q^2; q^4)_{\infty}^2}{(q, q^3; q^4)_{\infty}^2} = \left\{ \frac{(q^2; q^2)_{\infty}}{(q; q^2)_{\infty}} \right\}^2 = \psi^2(q) \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{1-} \frac{q}{1+} \frac{q - q^2}{1-} \frac{q^3}{1+} \frac{q^2 - q^4}{1-} \dots \right\}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

(xi) Again, taking $k = 4$, $i = 2$, $j = 1$ in (2.2) and $\lambda = \mu = 1$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2n}}{1 - q^{4n+1}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{4n^2+3n} (1 - q^{8n+3})}{(1 - q^{4n+1})(1 - q^{4n+2})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{4n^2+5n+1} (1 - q^{8n+5})}{(1 - q^{4n+2})(1 - q^{4n+3})} \\ &= \frac{(q^4; q^4)_{\infty}^2}{(q^2; q^4)_{\infty}^2} = \frac{(q^2; q^2)_{\infty}^2}{(q^2; q^4)_{\infty}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

Dividing (3.11) by (3.10) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2n}}{1 - q^{4n+1}}}{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{1 - q^{4n+1}}} &= \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{4n^2+3n} (1 - q^{8n+3})}{(1 - q^{4n+1})(1 - q^{4n+2})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{4n^2+5n+1} (1 - q^{8n+5})}{(1 - q^{4n+2})(1 - q^{4n+3})}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{4n^2+2n} (1 + q^{4n+1})}{(1 - q^{4n+1})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{4n^2+6n+2} (1 + q^{4n+3})}{(1 - q^{4n+3})}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{(q; q^2)_\infty^2}{(q^2; q^4)_\infty^4} = \left\{ \frac{(q; q^2)_\infty}{(q^2; q^4)_\infty^2} \right\}^2$$

making use of [1; (6.2.1), p. 150] we get

$$= \left\{ \frac{1}{1+} \frac{q}{1+} \frac{q+q^2}{1+} \frac{q^3}{1+} \frac{q^2+q^4}{1+} \dots \right\}^2 \quad (3.12)$$

(xii) Taking $\lambda = 1$, $i = 1$ and $k = 6$ in (3.6) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{1 - q^{6n+1}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+2n}(1 + q^{6n+1})}{(1 - q^{6n+1})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+10n+4}(1 + q^{6n+5})}{(1 - q^{6n+5})} \\ &= \frac{(q^6; q^6)_\infty (q^2; q^2)_\infty}{(q, q^5; q^6)_\infty^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

Again, taking $\lambda = 1$, $i = 2$ and $k = 6$ in (3.6) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2n}}{1 - q^{6n+2}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+4n}(1 + q^{6n+2})}{(1 - q^{6n+2})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+8n+2}(1 + q^{6n+4})}{(1 - q^{6n+4})} \\ &= \frac{(q^6; q^6)_\infty^3}{(q^2; q^2)_\infty} \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

Dividing (3.13) by (3.14), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{1 - q^{6n+1}}}{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{2n}}{1 - q^{6n+2}}} &= \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+2n}(1 + q^{6n+1})}{(1 - q^{6n+1})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+10n+4}(1 + q^{6n+5})}{(1 - q^{6n+5})}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+4n}(1 + q^{6n+2})}{(1 - q^{6n+2})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+8n+2}(1 + q^{6n+4})}{(1 - q^{6n+4})}} \\ &= \frac{(q^2; q^2)_\infty^2}{(q^6; q^6)_\infty^2 (q, q^5; q^6)_\infty^2} = \frac{(q^2; q^2)_\infty^2 (q^3; q^6)_\infty^2}{(q^3; q^3)_\infty^2 (q, q^5; q^6)_\infty^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.15)$$

(xiii) Taking $k = 6$, $i = 3$, $j = 1$, $\mu = \lambda = 1$ in (2.2) we find,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{3n}}{1 - q^{6n+1}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+4n}(1 - q^{12n+4})}{(1 - q^{6n+3})(1 - q^{6n+1})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+8n+2}(1 - q^{12n+8})}{(1 - q^{6n+3})(1 - q^{6n+5})} \\ &= \frac{(q^6; q^6)_\infty (q^2; q^2)_\infty}{(q, q^5; q^6)_\infty (q^3; q^6)_\infty^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

Dividing (3.13) by (3.16) and using [1; Corollary (6.2.7), p. 154] we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{1-q^{6n+1}}}{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{3n}}{1-q^{6n+1}}} &= \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+2n}(1+q^{6n+1})}{(1-q^{6n+1})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+10n+4}(1+q^{6n+5})}{(1-q^{6n+5})}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+4n}(1+q^{12n+4})}{(1-q^{6n+3})(1-q^{6n+1})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{6n^2+8n+2}(1-q^{12n+8})}{(1-q^{6n+3})(1-q^{6n+5})}} \\ &= \frac{(q^3; q^6)_{\infty}^2}{(q, q^5; q^6)_{\infty}} = 1 + \frac{q+q^2}{1+} \frac{q^2+q^4}{1+} \frac{q^3+q^6}{1+} \frac{q^4+q^8}{1+} \dots \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

(xiv) Taking $k = 8, i = 1, \lambda = 1$ in (3.6)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{1-q^{8n+1}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{8n^2+2n}(1+q^{8n+1})}{(1-q^{8n+1})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{8n^2+14n+6}(1+q^{8n+7})}{(1-q^{8n+7})} \\ &= \frac{(q^8; q^8)_{\infty}^2 (q^2; q^4)_{\infty}}{(q, q^7; q^8)_{\infty}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

Again, taking $k = 8, i = 3, \lambda = 1$ in (3.6) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{3n}}{1-q^{8n+3}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{8n^2+6n}(1+q^{8n+3})}{(1-q^{8n+3})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{8n^2+10n+2}(1+q^{8n+5})}{(1-q^{8n+5})} \\ &= \frac{(q^8; q^8)_{\infty}^2 (q^2; q^4)_{\infty}}{(q^3, q^5; q^8)_{\infty}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

Dividing (3.19) by (3.18) and then using [1; (6.2.38), p. 154] we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^{3n}}{1-q^{8n+3}}}{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q^n}{1-q^{8n+1}}} &= \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{8n^2+6n}(1+q^{8n+3})}{(1-q^{8n+3})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{8n^2+10n+2}(1+q^{8n+5})}{(1-q^{8n+5})}}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{8n^2+2n}(1+q^{8n+1})}{(1-q^{8n+1})} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{8n^2+14n+6}(1+q^{8n+7})}{(1-q^{8n+7})}} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{(q, q^7; q^8)_{\infty}}{(q^3, q^5; q^8)_{\infty}} \right\}^2 \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{1+} \frac{q+q^2}{1+} \frac{q^4}{1+} \frac{q^3+q^6}{1+} \frac{q^8}{1+} \frac{q^5+q^{10}}{1+} \dots \right\}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

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