



Transformation formulae for terminating balanced ${}_4F_3$ -series and implications

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Abstract

A new transformation from terminating balanced ${}_4F_3$ -series to ${}_3F_2$ -series is proved that contains a few known summation formulae as special cases. By means of Whipple's transformation, further closed form evaluations are given for terminating well-poised ${}_7F_6$ -series as applications.

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1. Introduction and outline

Denote by \mathbb{N} the set of natural numbers with $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{0\} \cup \mathbb{N}$. For an indeterminate x , define the shifted factorial by

$$(x)_0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad (x)_n = x(x+1)\cdots(x+n-1) \quad \text{with} \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For the sake of brevity, the quotient of shifted factorials will be abbreviated to

$$\left[\begin{matrix} \alpha, \beta, \dots, \gamma \\ A, B, \dots, C \end{matrix} \right]_n = \frac{(\alpha)_n(\beta)_n \cdots (\gamma)_n}{(A)_n(B)_n \cdots (C)_n}.$$

According to Bailey [2, §2.1], the classical hypergeometric series, for $p \in \mathbb{N}$ and an indeterminate z , is defined by

$${}_1+{}_pF_p \left[\begin{matrix} a_0, a_1, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, \dots, b_p \end{matrix} \middle| z \right] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_0)_k (a_1)_k \cdots (a_p)_k}{k! (b_1)_k \cdots (b_p)_k} z^k.$$

The hypergeometric series plays an important role in mathematics and physics (cf. [14, 15]). There exist numerous summation and transformation formulae of classical hypergeometric series (see [3, Chapter 8] and [6–10, 12, 13, 16, 17, 20]). In this paper, we shall prove an unusual transformation formula (Theorem 2.1) that expresses a terminating balanced ${}_4F_3$ -series in terms of a ${}_3F_2$ -series. The two identities of balanced series due to Bailey [1] and Carlitz [4] as well as the terminating form of Whipple's formula for ${}_3F_2$ -series are

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contained as special cases. As applications, further summation formulae for terminating well-poised ${}_7F_6$ -series will be presented by making use of the Whipple transformation.

In order to assure the accuracy, all the displayed equations are tested by appropriately devised *Mathematica* commands.

2. Main results and proofs

Although there are many hypergeometric series transformations in the literature, the following one does not seem to have previously appeared.

Theorem 2.1 (Balanced series transformation: $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$).

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1 + a - e, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] &= \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + a - c - e, e - c \\ 1 + a - e, e \end{matrix} \right]_n \\
 &\quad \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, c \\ c + e - a - n, e + n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

This theorem contains the following two important known special cases.

- $a = c + e$: Bailey [1] (cf. Chu [5, Eq. 2.8])

$${}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1 + c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \frac{(e - c)_n}{(e)_n}. \tag{2.1}$$

In fact, the transformation in Theorem 2.1 reduces to

$${}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1 + c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} 1, e - c \\ 1 + c, e \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c, -n \\ -n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right].$$

Then (2.1) follows by making use of the Chu–Vandermonde formula:

$${}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c, -n \\ -n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \frac{(-c - n)_n}{(-n)_n} = \frac{(1 + c)_n}{n!}.$$

- $a = c + e - 1$: Carlitz [4] (cf. Chu [7, Eq. 5.2b]):

$${}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e - 1 + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \frac{e - 1 + n}{e - 1 + 2n} \frac{(e - c)_n}{(e)_n}. \tag{2.2}$$

In this case for the right member displayed in Theorem 2.1, the factorial $(1 + a - c - e)_n$ becomes a zero factor, while in the ${}_3F_2$ -series only the last term contains a zero denominator. Therefore, we can determine the following limit:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &{}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e - 1 + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
 &= \lim_{a \rightarrow c+e-1} \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + a - c - e, e - c \\ 1 + a - e, e \end{matrix} \right]_n {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, c \\ c + e - a - n, e + n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
 &= \lim_{a \rightarrow c+e-1} \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + a - c - e, e - c \\ 1 + a - e, e \end{matrix} \right]_n \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, c \\ 1, c + e - a - n, e + n \end{matrix} \right]_n \\
 &= \lim_{a \rightarrow c+e-1} \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + a - c - e, e - c \\ 1 + a - e, e \end{matrix} \right]_n \left[\begin{matrix} a - c + n, c \\ 1 + a - c - e, e + n \end{matrix} \right]_n \\
 &= \left[\begin{matrix} e - c \\ e \end{matrix} \right]_n \left[\begin{matrix} e - 1 + n \\ e + n \end{matrix} \right]_n = \frac{e - 1 + n}{e - 1 + 2n} \frac{(e - c)_n}{(e)_n}. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Theorem 2.1. According to the Chu–Vandermonde formula (cf. Bailey [2, §1.3]), we have the equality

$${}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -k, e - c \\ e + k \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \frac{(e)_k (c)_{2k}}{(c)_k (e)_{2k}}.$$

By substitution, we can manipulate the double sum

$$\begin{aligned} {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1 + a - e, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(c)_{2k}}{(e)_{2k}} \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n \\ 1, 1 + a - e \end{matrix} \right]_k \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(c)_k}{(e)_k} \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n \\ 1, 1 + a - e \end{matrix} \right]_k {}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -k, e - c \\ e + k \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(c)_k}{(e)_k} \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n \\ 1, 1 + a - e \end{matrix} \right]_k \sum_{i=0}^k \left[\begin{matrix} -k, e - c \\ 1, e + k \end{matrix} \right]_i \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i}{(e)_{2i}} \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, c, e - c \\ 1, 1 + a - e \end{matrix} \right]_i \\ &\quad \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} i - n, a - c + n + i, c + i \\ 1 + a - e + i, e + 2i \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Evaluating the last ${}_3F_2$ -series by the Pfaff–Saalschutz theorem (cf. Bailey [2, §2.2])

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} i - n, a - c + n + i, c + i \\ 1 + a - e + i, e + 2i \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + a - c - e, e - c + i \\ 1 + a - e + i, e + 2i \end{matrix} \right]_{n-i}$$

and then simplifying the resulting expression, we confirm the transformation formula stated in Theorem 2.1. □

For the terminating balanced ${}_4F_3$ -series with its parameters subject to the condition $1 + a + c + e = b + d + \lambda + n$, there is a useful transformation (cf. Bailey [2, §7.2]):

$${}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a, c, e \\ b, d, \lambda \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} b - a, d - a \\ b, d \end{matrix} \right]_n {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a, \lambda - c, \lambda - e \\ \lambda, 1 + a - b - n, 1 + a - d - n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right].$$

Making the replacement $b \rightarrow 1 + a + c + e - d - \lambda - n$ and then letting $e \rightarrow \infty$, we recover the following transformation:

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a, c \\ b, d \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} d - a \\ d \end{matrix} \right]_n {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a, b - c \\ b, 1 + a - d - n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right]. \tag{2.3}$$

Under transformation (2.3), the ${}_3F_2$ -series in Theorem 2.1 can further be expressed in two different ${}_3F_2$ -series, that are recored as follows.

Corollary 2.2 (Balanced series transformation: $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$).

$${}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1 + a - e, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \frac{(e - c)_n}{(e)_n} {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, c, c + e - a \\ e + n, 1 + a - e \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right].$$

Corollary 2.3 (Balanced series transformation: $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$).

$$\begin{aligned} {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1 + a - e, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] &= \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + 2a - 2c - e + n, e - c \\ 1 + a - e, e \end{matrix} \right]_n \\ &\quad \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, e - c + n \\ e + n, 1 + 2a - 2c - e + n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

When $a \rightarrow a + c - n$ and $e = 1 + c$, the last corollary implies the following terminating series identity due to Whipple [18]:

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, 1 + n, a \\ 1 + c + n, 2a - c - n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + c, a - \frac{3c}{2} \\ 2a - 3c + n, 1 + \frac{c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n. \tag{2.4}$$

This is done by expressing the ${}_3F_2$ -series on the right of Corollary 2.3 as

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, 1 + n, a \\ 1 + c + n, 2a - c - n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + c, a - c \\ 1, 2a - 3c + n \end{matrix} \right]_n {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, \frac{c}{2} \\ a - c, \frac{2+c}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right]$$

and then making use of the Pfaff–Saalschütz formula (cf. Bailey [2, §2.2])

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c + n, \frac{c}{2} \\ a - c, \frac{2+c}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} a - \frac{3c}{2}, -n \\ a - c, -\frac{c}{2} - n \end{matrix} \right]_n = \left[\begin{matrix} a - \frac{3c}{2}, 1 \\ a - c, 1 + \frac{c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n. \quad \square$$

3. Evaluations for terminating well–poised series

Between balanced series and well–poised series, there is an important transformation formula discovered by Whipple [19] (cf. Bailey [2, §4.3])

$$\begin{aligned} W_n(a; b, c, d, e) &:= {}_7F_6 \left[\begin{matrix} a, 1 + \frac{a}{2}, b, c, d, e, -n \\ \frac{a}{2}, 1+a-b, 1+a-c, 1+a-d, 1+a-e, 1+a+n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\ &= \frac{(1+a)_n(1+a-c-e)_n}{(1+a-c)_n(1+a-e)_n} {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, c, e, 1+a-b-d \\ 1+a-b, 1+a-d, c+e-a-n \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

When $1+2a+n = b+c+d+e$, the above ${}_7F_6$ -series is not only well–poised, but also 2-balanced. In this case, the following well–known formula due to Dougall [11] (cf. Bailey [2, §4.3]) holds:

$$W_n(a; b, c, d, e) = \left[\begin{matrix} 1+a, 1+a-b-c, 1+a-b-d, 1+a-c-d \\ 1+a-b, 1+a-c, 1+a-d, 1+a-b-c-d \end{matrix} \right]_n.$$

Observe that $W_n(a; b, c, d, e)$ is symmetric with respect to $\{b, c, d, e\}$. By combining Whipple’s transformation (3.1) with (2.1), (2.2) and the Pfaff–Saalschütz formula, we can deduce further summation formulae for ${}_7F_6$ -series in the sequel. Some of them can be found in [6, 7, 12]. The informed reader will notice that these evaluations for ${}_7F_6$ -series are not particular cases of Dougall’s one since they are not 2-balanced.

3.1. Well–poised ${}_7F_6$ -series (I)

By choosing properly five parameters $\{a, b, c, d, e\}$ in Whipple’s transformation and then applying (2.1), we find the following four well–poised series identities:

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1A) \quad W_n \left(-\frac{1}{2} - n; \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2}, \frac{1-e}{2} - n, -\frac{e}{2} - n \right) &= \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} - n, -c - n \\ \frac{1-c}{2} - n, \frac{-c}{2} - n \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1 + c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\ &= \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2}, 1 + c \\ \frac{1+c}{2}, \frac{2+c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \frac{(e-c)_n}{(e)_n} = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2}, 1 + c, e - c \\ e, \frac{1+c}{2}, \frac{2+c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1B) \quad W_n \left(c - n - \frac{e}{2}; \frac{c}{2}, \frac{1+c}{2}, -\frac{e}{2} - n, 1 + c - e - n \right) &= \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1+e}{2}, \frac{e}{2} - c \\ \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{1+e-c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1 + c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\ &= \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1+e}{2}, \frac{e}{2} - c \\ \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{1+e-c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \frac{(e-c)_n}{(e)_n} = \left[\begin{matrix} e - c, \frac{1+e}{2}, \frac{e}{2} - c \\ e, \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{1+e-c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1C) \quad W_n \left(c - n + \frac{1-e}{2}; \frac{c}{2}, \frac{1+c}{2}, \frac{1-e}{2} - n, 1 + c - e - n \right) &= \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e-1}{2} - c \\ \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{e-c-1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e + n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1 + c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\ &= \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e-1}{2} - c \\ \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{e-c-1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \frac{(e-c)_n}{(e)_n} = \left[\begin{matrix} e - c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e-1}{2} - c \\ e, \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{e-c-1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.1D) \quad W_n & \left(\frac{c+e}{2}; \frac{1+c}{2}, \frac{2+c}{2}, \frac{e-c}{2}, e+n \right) \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{2+c+e}{2}, \frac{1-e}{2} - n \\ \frac{1+e}{2}, \frac{2+c-e}{2} - n \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e+n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ 1+c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1+e}{2}, \frac{2+c+e}{2} \\ \frac{1+e}{2}, \frac{e-c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \frac{(e-c)_n}{(e)_n} = \left[\begin{matrix} e-c, 1 + \frac{c+e}{2} \\ e, \frac{e-c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n.
\end{aligned}$$

3.2. Well-poised ${}_7F_6$ -series (II)

By choosing properly five parameters $\{a, b, c, d, e\}$ in Whipple's transformation and then applying (2.2), we derive the following four identities:

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.2A) \quad W_n & \left(\frac{1}{2} - n; \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2}, \frac{2-e}{2} - n, \frac{3-e}{2} - n \right) \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{3}{2} - n, 1 - c - n \\ 1 - n - \frac{c}{2}, \frac{3-c}{2} - n \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e-1+n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} c, -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c-1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \frac{e-1+n}{e-1+2n} \frac{(e-c)_n}{(e)_n} = \left[\begin{matrix} e-c, c, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{e-1}{2} \\ e-1, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c-1}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.2B) \quad W_n & \left(c - n - \frac{e}{2}; \frac{c}{2}, \frac{1+c}{2}, 1 - n - \frac{e}{2}, 1 + c - e - n \right) \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1+e}{2}, \frac{e}{2} - c \\ \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{1+e-c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e-1+n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1+e}{2}, \frac{e}{2} - c \\ \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{1+e-c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \frac{e-1+n}{e-1+2n} \frac{(e-c)_n}{(e)_n} = \left[\begin{matrix} e-c, \frac{e}{2} - c, \frac{e-1}{2} \\ e-1, \frac{1+e-c}{2}, \frac{e-c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.2C) \quad W_n & \left(c - n + \frac{1-e}{2}; \frac{c}{2}, \frac{1+c}{2}, \frac{3-e}{2} - n, 1 + c - e - n \right) \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e-1}{2} - c \\ \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{e-c-1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e-1+n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e-1}{2} - c \\ \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{e-c-1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \frac{e-1+n}{e-1+2n} \frac{(e-c)_n}{(e)_n} = \left[\begin{matrix} e-c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e-1}{2}, \frac{e-1}{2} - c \\ e-1, \frac{e+1}{2}, \frac{e-c}{2}, \frac{e-c-1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.2D) \quad W_n & \left(\frac{c+e-1}{2}; \frac{c}{2}, \frac{1+c}{2}, \frac{1-c+e}{2}, e+n-1 \right) \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1+c+e}{2}, 1 - n - \frac{e}{2} \\ \frac{e}{2}, \frac{3+c-e}{2} - n \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, e-1+n, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ c, \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e+1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
& = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{e}{2}, \frac{1+c+e}{2} \\ \frac{e}{2}, \frac{e-c-1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \frac{e-1+n}{e-1+2n} \frac{(e-c)_n}{(e)_n} = \left[\begin{matrix} e-c, \frac{e-1}{2}, \frac{1+c+e}{2} \\ e-1, \frac{e+1}{2}, \frac{e-c-1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n.
\end{aligned}$$

3.3. Well-poised ${}_7F_6$ -series (III)

Finally by choosing properly five parameters $\{a, b, c, d, e\}$ in Whipple's transformation and then applying the Pfaff-Saalschütz formula (cf. Bailey [2, §2.2])

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a-c, \frac{c}{2} \\ a-c-n, \frac{2+c}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = {}_4F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a-c, \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2} \\ a-c-n, \frac{c+1}{2}, \frac{c+2}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \left[\begin{matrix} 1, 1-a + \frac{3c}{2} \\ 1-a+c, 1 + \frac{c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n,$$

we establish the following four well-poised series identities:

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.3A) \quad & W_n\left(\frac{1}{2} - a + 2c; \frac{c}{2}, \frac{c+1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - a + \frac{3c}{2}, 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2}\right) \\
&= \left[\begin{matrix} 1 - a + c, \frac{3}{2} - a + 2c \\ 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2}, \frac{3}{2} - a + \frac{3c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c, \frac{c}{2} \\ a - c - n, \frac{2+c}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
&= \left[\begin{matrix} 1 - a + c, \frac{3}{2} - a + 2c \\ 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2}, \frac{3}{2} - a + \frac{3c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \left[\begin{matrix} 1, 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2} \\ 1 - a + c, 1 + \frac{c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n = \left[\begin{matrix} 1, \frac{3}{2} - a + 2c \\ 1 + \frac{c}{2}, \frac{3}{2} - a + \frac{3c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.3B) \quad & W_n\left(\frac{1+c}{2}; \frac{1+c}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2}, a - c\right) \\
&= \left[\begin{matrix} 1 - a + c, \frac{3+c}{2} \\ 1, \frac{3+3c}{2} - a \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c, \frac{c}{2} \\ a - c - n, \frac{2+c}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
&= \left[\begin{matrix} 1 - a + c, \frac{3+c}{2} \\ 1, \frac{3+3c}{2} - a \end{matrix} \right]_n \left[\begin{matrix} 1, 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2} \\ 1 - a + c, 1 + \frac{c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n = \left[\begin{matrix} 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2}, \frac{3+c}{2} \\ 1 + \frac{c}{2}, \frac{3+3c}{2} - a \end{matrix} \right]_n.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.3C) \quad & W_n\left(\frac{c-1}{2} - n; \frac{c}{2}, \frac{1+c}{2}, \frac{1+3c}{2} - a, -n\right) \\
&= \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + \frac{c}{2}, \frac{1-c}{2} \\ 1, \frac{1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c, \frac{c}{2} \\ a - c - n, \frac{2+c}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
&= \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + \frac{c}{2}, \frac{1-c}{2} \\ 1, \frac{1}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \left[\begin{matrix} 1, 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2} \\ 1 - a + c, 1 + \frac{c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n = \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1-c}{2}, 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}, 1 - a + c \end{matrix} \right]_n.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.3D) \quad & W_n\left(a - c - n - \frac{1}{2}; \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1+c}{2}, a - n - \frac{3c}{2}, a - c\right) \\
&= \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} - a + c, 1 + \frac{c}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}, 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} -n, a - c, \frac{c}{2} \\ a - c - n, \frac{2+c}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
&= \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} - a + c, 1 + \frac{c}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}, 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n \left[\begin{matrix} 1, 1 - a + \frac{3c}{2} \\ 1 - a + c, 1 + \frac{c}{2} \end{matrix} \right]_n = \left[\begin{matrix} 1, \frac{1}{2} - a + c \\ \frac{1}{2}, 1 - a + c \end{matrix} \right]_n.
\end{aligned}$$

It should be pointed out that the last three ${}_7F_6$ -series in "(3.3B), (3.3C), (3.3D)" are degenerated ones that can also be deduced directly from a formula for well-poised ${}_5F_4$ -series (cf. Bailey [2, §4.3: Equation 3]). The remaining eleven evaluations of ${}_7F_6$ -series in this section do not seem to have previously appeared in the literature.

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