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Further Closed Formulae of Exotic ${}_3F_2$ -Series

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Abstract: By making use of the linearization method, we examine a class of nonterminating ${}_3F_2$ -series with five free integer parameters that yields twenty summation formulae. Under the Kummer and Thomae transformations, six classes of exotic ${}_3F_2$ -series are consequently evaluated in closed forms. There are overall 100 identities recorded in the present paper.

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1. Introduction and Outline

Denote by \mathbb{N} and \mathbb{Z} , respectively, the sets of natural numbers and integers with $\mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. The shifted factorials are given by $(x)_0 = \langle x \rangle_0 \equiv 1$ and

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (x)_n &= x(x+1) \cdots (x+n-1) \\ \langle x \rangle_n &= x(x-1) \cdots (x-n+1) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

We can express them, even when $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, as the quotients

$$(x)_n = \frac{\Gamma(x+n)}{\Gamma(x)} \quad \text{and} \quad \langle x \rangle_n = \frac{\Gamma(1+x)}{\Gamma(1+x-n)},$$

where the Γ -function is defined by the Euler integral

$$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^\infty u^{x-1} e^{-u} du \quad \text{for } \Re(x) > 0.$$

For brevity, their fractional forms are concisely shortened as

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

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

According to Bailey [1], the generalized hypergeometric series is defined by

$${}_{1+p}F_p \left[\begin{array}{c} a_0, a_1, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, \dots, b_p \end{array} \middle| z \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_0)_n (a_1)_n \cdots (a_p)_n}{n! (b_1)_n \cdots (b_p)_n} z^n.$$

When $z = 1$, this series is convergent only if the “parameter excess” (i.e., the difference between the sum of the denominator parameters and that of the numerator ones) has a positive real part.



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There exist many strange evaluations of hypergeometric series (cf. [2–8] for example). Recently, Campbell, D’Aurizio and Sondow [9,10] discovered two mysterious-looking formulae (see D1 and D12)

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{4}, & \frac{3}{4}, & \frac{1}{2} \\ & 1, & \frac{3}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] &= \frac{4 \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})}{\pi}, \\
 {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{4}, & \frac{3}{4}, & -\frac{1}{2} \\ & 1, & \frac{1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] &= \frac{\sqrt{2} + \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})}{\pi}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Campbell and Abrarov [11] found, among the others, the following two further ones (see F10 and G8)

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{3}{2}, & \frac{3}{4}, & -\frac{1}{4} \\ & 1, & \frac{7}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] &= \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}\{3\sqrt{2} - \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{2\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}, \\
 {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{3}{2}, & \frac{1}{4}, & \frac{5}{4} \\ & 1, & \frac{9}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] &= \frac{5\sqrt{\pi}\{3\sqrt{2} - \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{8\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

These series are said “exotic” because one numerator parameter minus a denominator parameter results in a negative integer. By examining carefully these seemingly unrelated series, we find that they are connected, under the Thomae and Kummer transformation (cf. Bailey [1] §3.2 and Page 98), to the following ${}_3F_2$ -series

$$\mathcal{F}(a, c, e; b, d) := {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + a, & c, & \frac{1}{2} + e \\ & \frac{3}{4} + b, & \frac{5}{4} + d \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right], \quad \left\{ \begin{matrix} \Delta := \frac{1}{2} + b + d - a - c - e > 0 \\ \sigma := b + d - a - c - e \geq 0 \end{matrix} \right\},$$

where $a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{Z}$ satisfying the conditions $a \geq 0$ and $c > 0$ so that the both series involved are nonterminating. When $\sigma = b + d - a - c - e \geq 0$, the series is convergent, because in this case the parameter excess $\Delta = \sigma + \frac{1}{2} > 0$ (i.e., the sum of the denominator parameters minus that of the numerator ones).

Classically, there are three typical summation theorems (for the ${}_3F_2$ -series) discovered by Dixon, Watson and Whipple (cf. Bailey [1] §3.1, §3.3 and §3.4). However, neither of them can evaluate the afore-displayed series in closed form. In particular, the formulae for the ${}_3F_2$ -series presented in this paper are not present in the recent paper by the author [12], and two useful compendiums: ([13] §8.1.2 and [14] §7.4.4), where numerous closed formulae are collected for the ${}_3F_2(1)$ series with numerical parameters.

By applying the linearization method (cf. [15–18]), we shall transform, in the next section, the evaluation of \mathcal{F} -series into the $\Omega_{m,n}$ -series treated recently by the author [19]. The main results are summarized in the conclusive theorem as well as twenty closed formulae for the \mathcal{F} -series. Finally in Section 3, analytic formulae for six further classes of exotic ${}_3F_2$ -series will be provided by employing the Thomae and Kummer transformations (cf. Bailey [1] §3.2 and Page 98) to the \mathcal{F} -series.

In order to ensure the accuracy, all the formulae appearing in this paper have been checked numerically by appropriately devised Mathematica commands.

2. Linearization Procedure for the \mathcal{F} -Series

In this section, we shall reduce, by means of the linearization method (cf. [15–18]), the \mathcal{F} -series to specific instances of a known $\Omega_{m,n}(x, y)$ function, that has recently been examined by the author [19].

2.1. $a = 0$

According to the Chu–Vandermonde convolution identity on binomial coefficients, it is routine to establish the following lemma.

Lemma 1 (Linear relation: $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$).

$$(A + n)_m = \sum_{k=0}^m (B + n)_k X_k \quad \text{where} \quad X_k = \binom{m}{k} (A - B)_{m-k}.$$

Specifying the above relation to the equality

$$(1 + n)_a = \sum_{k=0}^a (c + n)_k X_k(a) \quad \text{where} \quad X_k(a) = \binom{a}{k} (1 - c)_{a-k}$$

and then substituting it into the \mathcal{F} -series, we have the double series

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(a, c, e; b, d) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + a, & c, & \frac{1}{2} + e \\ 1, & \frac{3}{4} + b, & \frac{5}{4} + d \end{matrix} \right]_n \sum_{k=0}^a \frac{(c + n)_k}{(1 + n)_a} X_k(a) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^a \frac{(c)_k}{(1)_a} X_k(a) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} c + k, & \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, & \frac{5}{4} + d \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

This results in the reduction formula as below.

Proposition 1 (Reduction formula from $a > 0$ to $a = 0$).

$$\mathcal{F}(a, c, e; b, d) = \sum_{k=0}^a (-1)^k \binom{-c}{k} \binom{c-1}{a-k} \mathcal{F}(0, c+k, e; b, d).$$

2.2. $b = d$

The \mathcal{F} -series can further be reduced to the case $b = d$.

When $b > d$, we can specify Lemma 1 to the equality

$$\left(\frac{5}{4} + d + n\right)_{b-d} = \sum_{k=0}^{b-d} (c + n)_k Y_k(b, d) \quad \text{where} \quad Y_k(b, d) = \binom{b-d}{k} \left(\frac{5}{4} - c + d\right)_{b-d-k}.$$

Putting this inside the \mathcal{F} -series, we have the double series

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, d) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} c, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, \frac{5}{4} + d \end{matrix} \right]_n \sum_{k=0}^{b-d} \frac{(c + n)_k}{\left(\frac{5}{4} + d + n\right)_{b-d}} Y_k(b, d) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{b-d} \frac{(c)_k}{\left(\frac{5}{4} + d\right)_{b-d}} Y_k(b, d) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} c + k, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, \frac{5}{4} + b \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

This yields the following reduction formula.

Proposition 2 (Reduction formula from $b > d$ to $b = d$).

$$\mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, d) = \sum_{k=0}^{b-d} \binom{b-d}{k} \frac{(c)_k \left(\frac{5}{4} - c + d\right)_{b-d-k}}{\left(\frac{5}{4} + d\right)_{b-d}} \mathcal{F}(0, c+k, e; b, b).$$

Alternatively, for $b < d$, we can specify Lemma 1 to the equality

$$\left(\frac{3}{4} + b + n\right)_{d-b} = \sum_{k=0}^{d-b} (c + n)_k \mathcal{Y}_k(b, d) \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{Y}_k(b, d) = \binom{d-b}{k} \left(\frac{3}{4} + b - c\right)_{d-b-k}.$$

Substituting this into the \mathcal{F} -series, we have the double series

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, d) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} c, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, \frac{5}{4} + d \end{matrix} \right]_n \sum_{k=0}^{d-b} \frac{(c+n)_k}{(\frac{3}{4} + b + n)_{d-b}} \mathcal{Y}_k(b, d) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{d-b} \frac{(c)_k}{(\frac{3}{4} + b)_{d-b}} \mathcal{Y}_k(b, d) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} c+k, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + d, \frac{5}{4} + d \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

This gives rise to another reduction formula.

Proposition 3 (Reduction formula from $b < d$ to $b = d$).

$$\mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, d) = \sum_{k=0}^{d-b} \binom{d-b}{k} \frac{(c)_k (\frac{3}{4} + b - c)_{d-b-k}}{(\frac{3}{4} + b)_{d-b}} \mathcal{F}(0, c+k, e; d, d).$$

2.3. $c = e$

The \mathcal{F} -series can further be reduced to the case $c = e$. For this purpose, we have to show the following linearization lemma.

Lemma 2 (Linear relation: $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$).

$$(A + n)_m = \sum_{k=0}^m \langle B + 2n \rangle_k Z_k \quad \text{where} \quad Z_k = \sum_{i=0}^k \frac{(-1)^{k-i}}{k!} \binom{k}{i} (A - \frac{B-i}{2})_m.$$

Proof. By substitution, it suffices to evaluate the double sum

$$\mathcal{S} := \sum_{k=0}^m \langle B + 2n \rangle_k \sum_{i=0}^k \frac{(-1)^{k-i}}{k!} \binom{k}{i} (A - \frac{B-i}{2})_m = (A + n)_m.$$

By exchanging the order of summations, we can reformulate it as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S} &= \sum_{i=0}^m \frac{\langle B + 2n \rangle_i}{i!} (A - \frac{B-i}{2})_m \sum_{k=i}^m (-1)^{k-i} \binom{B + 2n - i}{k - i} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^m (-1)^{m-i} \frac{\langle B + 2n \rangle_i}{i!} (A - \frac{B-i}{2})_m \binom{B + 2n - i - 1}{m - i} \\ &= \frac{\langle B + 2n \rangle_{m+1}}{m!} \sum_{i=0}^m (-1)^{m-i} \binom{m}{i} \frac{(A - \frac{B-i}{2})_m}{B + 2n - i} \\ &= \frac{(B + 2n)_{m+1}}{m!} \times \frac{m!(A + n)_m}{\langle B + 2n \rangle_{m+1}} = (A + n)_m, \end{aligned}$$

where the last line is justified by finite difference calculus (cf. [20,21]). \square

First for $c < e$, we have from Lemma 2 the equality

$$(\frac{1}{2} + c + n)_{e-c} = \sum_{k=0}^{e-c} \left\langle 2b + 2n + \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_k \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e),$$

where $\mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) = \sum_{i=0}^k \frac{(-1)^{k-i}}{k!} \binom{k}{i} (c - b + \frac{1+2i}{4})_{e-c}.$

By inserting this into the \mathcal{F} -series, we obtain the double series below

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, b) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} c, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, \frac{5}{4} + b \end{matrix} \right]_n \sum_{k=0}^{e-c} \frac{\langle 2b + 2n + \frac{1}{2} \rangle_k}{(\frac{1}{2} + c + n)_{e-c}} \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{e-c} (-1)^k \frac{(-\frac{1}{2} - 2b)_k}{(\frac{1}{2} + c)_{e-c}} \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} c, \frac{1}{2} + c \\ \frac{3-2k}{4} + b, \frac{5-2k}{4} + b \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

Writing the inner sum concerning n in terms of the \mathcal{F} -series, we immediately establish the reduction formula as in the following proposition.

Proposition 4 (Reduction formula from $c < e$ to $c = e$).

$$\mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, b) = \sum_{k=0}^{e-c} (-1)^k \frac{(-\frac{1}{2} - 2b)_k}{(\frac{1}{2} + c)_{e-c}} \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) \mathcal{F}(0, c, c; b - \frac{k}{2}, b - \frac{k}{2}).$$

When $c > e$ and $e > 0$, we infer from Lemma 2 that

$$(e + n)_{c-e} = \sum_{k=0}^{c-e} \langle 2b + 2n + \frac{1}{2} \rangle_k \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e),$$

where
$$\mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) = \sum_{i=0}^k \frac{(-1)^{k-i}}{k!} \binom{k}{i} (e - b + \frac{2i-1}{4})_{c-e}. \tag{1}$$

Putting this inside the \mathcal{F} -series, we can analogously treat the double series

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, b) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} c, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, \frac{5}{4} + b \end{matrix} \right]_n \sum_{k=0}^{c-e} \frac{\langle 2b + 2n + \frac{1}{2} \rangle_k}{(e + n)_{c-e}} \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{c-e} (-1)^k \frac{(-\frac{1}{2} - 2b)_k}{(e)_{c-e}} \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} e, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3-2k}{4} + b, \frac{5-2k}{4} + b \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

Instead, for $c > e$ and $e \leq 0$, reformulate first the \mathcal{F} -series by reindexing

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, b) &= \mathcal{F}(0, 1 + c - e, 1; 1 + b - e, 1 + b - e) \\ &\quad \times \left[\begin{matrix} c, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, \frac{5}{4} + b \end{matrix} \right]_{1-e} + \sum_{n=0}^{-e} \left[\begin{matrix} c, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, \frac{5}{4} + b \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

Then according to Lemma 2, we have another equality

$$(1 + n)_{c-e} = \sum_{k=0}^{c-e} \langle \frac{5}{2} + 2b - 2e + 2n \rangle_k \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e),$$

where the connection coefficients $\mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e)$ coincide with those given by (1). Now, by substitution, we have another double series

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{F}(0, 1 + c - e, 1; 1 + b - e, 1 + b - e) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + c - e, \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{7}{4} + b - e, \frac{9}{4} + b - e \end{matrix} \right]_n \sum_{k=0}^{c-e} \frac{\langle \frac{5}{2} + 2b - 2e + 2n \rangle_k}{(1 + n)_{c-e}} \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{c-e} (-1)^k \frac{(2e - 2b - \frac{5}{2})_k}{(c - e)!} \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} 1, \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{7-2k}{4} + b - e, \frac{9-2k}{4} + b - e \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

Summing up, we have established the reduction formula to the case $c = e$.

Proposition 5 (Reduction formula from $c > e$ to $c = e$).

$$\begin{aligned}
 e > 0 : \mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, b) &= \sum_{k=0}^{c-e} (-1)^k \frac{(-\frac{1}{2} - 2b)_k}{(e)_{c-e}} \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) \mathcal{F}(0, e, e; b - \frac{k}{2}, b - \frac{k}{2}), \\
 e \leq 0 : \mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, b) &= \sum_{n=0}^{-e} \left[\begin{matrix} c, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, \frac{5}{4} + b \end{matrix} \right]_n + \sum_{k=0}^{c-e} (-1)^k \frac{(2e - 2b - \frac{5}{2})_k}{(c - e)!} \mathcal{Z}_k(b, c, e) \\
 &\quad \times \left[\begin{matrix} c, \frac{1}{2} + e \\ \frac{3}{4} + b, \frac{5}{4} + b \end{matrix} \right]_{1-e} \mathcal{F}(0, 1, 1; 1 + b - e - \frac{k}{2}, 1 + b - e - \frac{k}{2}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Observe that the parameter excess $\Delta \geq \frac{1}{2}$ for the \mathcal{F} -series is not diminished hitherto by the established reduction formulae. Consequently, all the \mathcal{F} -series displayed on the right hand sides of Propositions 4 and 5 have the parameter excess $\Delta \geq \frac{1}{2}$, and can be expressed as the following bisection series

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{F}(0, c, c; b, b) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2c)_{2n}}{(2b + \frac{3}{2})_{2n}} = \frac{1}{2} \times {}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} 1, 2c \\ \frac{3}{2} + 2b \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \times {}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} 1, 2c \\ \frac{3}{2} + 2b \end{matrix} \middle| -1 \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

where $b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ subject to the condition $b \geq c$. Therefore, to evaluate the \mathcal{F} -series explicitly, it suffices to do that for the above bisection series.

2.4. $\Omega_{m,n}$ -Series

In a recent paper [19], the author examined a more general series

$$\Omega_{m,n}(x, y) := {}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, m - x \\ n + \frac{1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| y^2 \right] \quad \text{where } m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \tag{2}$$

and proved the following evaluation formula.

Theorem 1 (Chu [19] Theorems 4 and 8: Recurrence formula). *For the two natural numbers m and n satisfying $m < n$, there holds the following formula*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega_{m,n}(x, y) &= \frac{(\frac{1}{2})_n}{y^{2n}} \sum_{i=0}^{n-m} \binom{n-m}{i} \frac{(x)_i (m-x)_{n-m-i}}{(2x-n+i)_i (m-2x-i)_{n-m-i}} \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{n-k} \binom{n}{k} \frac{2x+2i-2k}{(2x+2i-n-k)_{n+1}} \Omega_{0,0}(x+i-k, y),
 \end{aligned}$$

where the series $\Omega_{0,0}$ is evaluated by

$$\Omega_{0,0}(x, y) = {}_2F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} x, -x \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| y^2 \right] = \cos(2x \arcsin y).$$

Hence, the \mathcal{F} -series can be evaluated in terms of the Ω -series by the theorem below.

Theorem 2 ($b \geq c : b, c \in \mathbb{N}$).

$$\mathcal{F}(0, c, c; b, b) = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \Omega_{2c+1, 2b+1}(x, 1) + \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \Omega_{2c+1, 2b+1}(x, \sqrt{-1})$$

with $\Omega_{0,0}(x, 1) = \cos(\pi x)$ and $\Omega_{0,0}(x, \sqrt{-1}) = \cosh(2x \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}))$.

2.5. Conclusive Theorem and Examples (Class-A)

Based on the preceding reduction formulae, we may evaluate, for any quintuple integers $a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{Z}$ subject to $a \geq 0, c > 0$ and $\sigma = b + d - a - c - e > 0$, the \mathcal{F} -series by carrying out the following procedure:

- **Step-A:** If $a = 0$, go directly to **Step-B**. Otherwise for $a > 0$, according to Proposition 1, express $\mathcal{F}(a, c, e; b, d)$ in terms of $\mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, d)$, and then go to **Step-B**.
- **Step-B:** By means of Propositions 2 and 3, express $\mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, d)$ in terms of $\mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, b)$, and then go to **Step-C**.
- **Step-C:** In virtue of Propositions 4 and 5, express $\mathcal{F}(0, c, e; b, b)$ in terms of $\mathcal{F}(0, c, c; b, b)$, and then go to **Step-D**.
- **Step-D:** Finally by applying Theorems 1 and 2, evaluate $\mathcal{F}(0, c, c; b, b)$ explicitly in terms of the Ω -series.

Therefore, we have validated the conclusive theorem as below.

Theorem 3 (Conclusion). For any quintuple integers

$$a, b, c, d, e \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{subject to} \quad a \geq 0, c > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma = b + d - a - c - e > 0,$$

the nonterminating $\mathcal{F}(a, c, e; b, d)$ series can always be evaluated by finitely linear sums of trigonometric function $\cos(\pi x)$ and hyperbolic function $\cosh(2x \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}))$, where $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ and the coefficients are rational numbers.

According to the afore-described procedure, we have written appropriate *Mathematica* commands to determine explicitly closed form expressions for $\mathcal{F}(a, c, e; b, d)$ series. Twenty summation formulae are displayed below, where the argument “1” will be suppressed from the notation of ${}_3F_2$ -series for the sake of brevity. We shall call these series “Class-A”. Among them, an equivalent form of **A5** has been obtained by Campbell and Abrarov ([11] Equation (18)).

- A1.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}\right] = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}).$
- A2.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = -5\{1 - \sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A3.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{5}{4}, \frac{11}{4}\right] = \frac{-7}{15}\{1 - 3\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A4.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, \frac{3}{2}; \frac{5}{4}, \frac{11}{4}\right] = \frac{7}{12}\{2 + 3\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A5.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, \frac{3}{2}; \frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = \frac{15}{4}\{2 - \sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A6.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, \frac{3}{2}; \frac{9}{4}, \frac{11}{4}\right] = \frac{35}{6}\{4 - 3\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A7.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, -\frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}\right] = \frac{1}{3}\{1 - \sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A8.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, -\frac{1}{2}; \frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}\right] = \frac{3}{5}\{1 - 3\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A9.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, -\frac{1}{2}; \frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = \frac{-3}{7}\{3 - 4\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A10.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 1, -\frac{3}{2}; \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}\right] = \frac{1}{35}\{3 - 4\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$

- A11.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 2, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = \frac{5}{8}\{2 + \sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A12.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 2, -\frac{1}{2}; \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}\right] = \frac{3}{20}\{2 - \sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A13.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 2, -\frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = \frac{5}{84}\{2 - 5\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A14.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 2, -\frac{1}{2}; \frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = \frac{1}{14}\{8 + \sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A15.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, 2, -\frac{3}{2}; \frac{3}{4}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = \frac{-5}{77}\{1 + \sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A16.** ${}_3F_2\left[2, 2, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{7}{4}, \frac{13}{4}\right] = \frac{135}{224}\{6 - \sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A17.** ${}_3F_2\left[2, 2, -\frac{1}{2}; \frac{5}{4}, \frac{11}{4}\right] = \frac{7}{48}\{2 - 3\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A18.** ${}_3F_2\left[2, 2, -\frac{1}{2}; \frac{9}{4}, \frac{11}{4}\right] = \frac{1}{24}\{2 + 9\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A19.** ${}_3F_2\left[2, 2, -\frac{3}{2}; \frac{7}{4}, \frac{13}{4}\right] = \frac{1}{22}\{8 - 3\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- A20.** ${}_3F_2\left[2, 2, -\frac{3}{2}; \frac{11}{4}, \frac{13}{4}\right] = \frac{-1}{13}\{13 - 15\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$

3. The Thomae and Kummer Transformations

In the classical theory of hypergeometric series, the Thomae and Kummer transformations are fundamental (cf. Bailey [1] §3.2 and Page 98, where $\sigma = b + d - a - c - e$):

$${}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} a, c, e \\ b, d \end{matrix} \middle| 1\right] = {}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} \sigma, b - a, d - a \\ c + \sigma, e + \sigma \end{matrix} \middle| 1\right] \Gamma\left[\begin{matrix} \sigma, b, d \\ a, c + \sigma, e + \sigma \end{matrix}\right] \tag{3}$$

$${}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} a, c, e \\ b, d \end{matrix} \middle| 1\right] = {}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} a, b - c, b - e \\ \sigma + a, b \end{matrix} \middle| 1\right] \Gamma\left[\begin{matrix} \sigma, d \\ \sigma + a, d - a \end{matrix}\right]. \tag{4}$$

They will be applied to the \mathcal{F} -series to evaluate six classes of exotic ${}_3F_2$ -series.

3.1. Class B

Applying the Kummer transformation (4), we can express the following ‘‘Class-B’’ series in terms of the \mathcal{F} -series (where $\sigma = b + d - a - c - e$):

$${}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} 1 + a, c + \frac{1}{4}, e + \frac{3}{4} \\ b + \frac{3}{2}, d + \frac{5}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1\right] = \Gamma\left[\begin{matrix} b + \frac{3}{2}, \sigma + \frac{3}{4} \\ b - a + \frac{1}{2}, \sigma + a + \frac{7}{4} \end{matrix}\right] \\ \times {}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} 1 + a, d - c + 1, d - e + \frac{1}{2} \\ d + \frac{5}{4}, \sigma + a + \frac{7}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1\right].$$

Then we can derive the following closed formulae for these series (except for divergent series) from those displayed in ‘‘Class A’’.

- B1.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{4}\right] = \sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2}).$
- B2.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{4}\right] = \frac{2}{5}\{1 + 2\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- B3.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = \frac{3}{2}\{2 - \sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- B4.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = \frac{5}{2}\{2 - \sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- B5.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = 5\{4 - 3\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- B6.** ${}_3F_2\left[1, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{13}{4}\right] = \frac{9}{5}\{8 - 5\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- B7.** ${}_3F_2\left[2, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; \frac{7}{2}, \frac{5}{4}\right] = \frac{2}{9}\{4 + 3\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- B8.** ${}_3F_2\left[2, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = \frac{5}{4}\{-2 + 3\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- B9.** ${}_3F_2\left[2, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; \frac{7}{2}, \frac{9}{4}\right] = 5\{2 - \sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- B10.** ${}_3F_2\left[2, \frac{9}{4}, \frac{11}{4}; \frac{9}{2}, \frac{13}{4}\right] = 30\{4 - 3\sqrt{2}\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$

3.2. Class C

By means of the Kummer transformation (4), we can express the “Class-C” series below in terms of the \mathcal{F} -series (where $\sigma = b + d - a - c - e$):

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1+a, & c+\frac{1}{4}, & e+\frac{3}{4} \\ & b+\frac{3}{2}, & d+\frac{3}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \Gamma \left[\begin{matrix} \sigma+\frac{1}{4}, b+\frac{3}{2} \\ \sigma+a+\frac{5}{4}, b-a+\frac{1}{2} \end{matrix} \right] \\
 \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1+a, & d-e, & d-c+\frac{1}{2} \\ & d+\frac{3}{4}, & \sigma+a+\frac{5}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right].$$

Then the closed formulae below for these series (except for divergent series) follow directly from those recorded in “Class A”.

- C1.** ${}_3F_2 \left[1, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{4} \right] = \frac{3}{2} \{ 2 - \sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \}.$
- C2.** ${}_3F_2 \left[1, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{7}{4} \right] = \frac{3}{5} \{ 8 - 5\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \}.$
- C3.** ${}_3F_2 \left[1, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{4} \right] = 3\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}).$
- C4.** ${}_3F_2 \left[1, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{9}{4}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{7}{4} \right] = \frac{6}{5} \{ 1 + 2\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \}.$
- C5.** ${}_3F_2 \left[1, \frac{5}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{4} \right] = \frac{2}{3} \{ 1 - \sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \}.$
- C6.** ${}_3F_2 \left[1, \frac{5}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{4} \right] = \frac{1}{4} \{ 2 + \sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \}.$
- C7.** ${}_3F_2 \left[1, \frac{5}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{4} \right] = \frac{2}{7} \{ 5 - 2\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \}.$
- C8.** ${}_3F_2 \left[2, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{7}{4} \right] = \frac{3}{2} \{ 2 + \sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \}.$
- C9.** ${}_3F_2 \left[2, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{9}{4}; \frac{7}{2}, \frac{7}{4} \right] = \frac{6}{7} \{ 8 + \sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \}.$
- C10.** ${}_3F_2 \left[2, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{13}{4}; \frac{7}{2}, \frac{11}{4} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \{ 2 + 9\sqrt{2} \log(1 + \sqrt{2}) \}.$

3.3. Class D

By virtue of the Thomae transformation (3), we can express the following “Class-D” series in terms of the \mathcal{F} -series (where $\sigma = b + d - a - c - e$):

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} a+\frac{1}{2}, & c+\frac{1}{4}, & e+\frac{3}{4} \\ & b+1, & d+\frac{1}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \Gamma \left[\begin{matrix} \sigma, & b+1, & d+\frac{1}{2} \\ a+\frac{1}{2}, \sigma+c+\frac{1}{4}\sigma+e+\frac{3}{4} \end{matrix} \right] \\
 \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \sigma, & d-a, & b-a+\frac{1}{2} \\ \sigma+c+\frac{1}{4}, & \sigma+e+\frac{3}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right]. \tag{5}$$

Then we find the closed formulae below for these series (except for divergent series) as consequences of those produced in “Class A”.

- D1.** ${}_3F_2 \left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; 1, \frac{3}{2} \right] = \frac{4 \log(1+\sqrt{2})}{\pi}.$
- D2.** ${}_3F_2 \left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; 2, \frac{3}{2} \right] = \frac{8 \{ \sqrt{2} + 3 \log(1+\sqrt{2}) \}}{9\pi}.$
- D3.** ${}_3F_2 \left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; 1, \frac{5}{2} \right] = \frac{2 \{ \sqrt{2} + 9 \log(1+\sqrt{2}) \}}{5\pi}.$
- D4.** ${}_3F_2 \left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{3}{2}; 1, \frac{7}{2} \right] = \frac{8 \{ 2\sqrt{2} + 3 \log(1+\sqrt{2}) \}}{9\pi}.$
- D5.** ${}_3F_2 \left[\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; 1, \frac{5}{2} \right] = \frac{2 \{ \sqrt{2} + \log(1+\sqrt{2}) \}}{\pi}.$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{D6. } {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{3}{4}, & \frac{5}{4}, & \frac{1}{2}; & 2, & \frac{3}{2} \end{matrix} \right] &= \frac{8\{\sqrt{2}-\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{\pi}. \\
 \text{D7. } {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{3}{4}, & \frac{5}{4}, & \frac{3}{2}; & 1, & \frac{7}{2} \end{matrix} \right] &= \frac{8\{4\sqrt{2}+\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{7\pi}. \\
 \text{D8. } {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{5}{4}, & -\frac{1}{4}, & \frac{1}{2}; & 1, & \frac{3}{2} \end{matrix} \right] &= \frac{4\{2\sqrt{2}-\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{3\pi}. \\
 \text{D9. } {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{5}{4}, & -\frac{1}{4}, & \frac{3}{2}; & 1, & \frac{5}{2} \end{matrix} \right] &= \frac{4\{5\sqrt{2}-4\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{7\pi}. \\
 \text{D10. } {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{5}{4}, & \frac{7}{4}, & \frac{3}{2}; & 2, & \frac{7}{2} \end{matrix} \right] &= \frac{16\{\sqrt{2}-\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{\pi}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Observing that the parameter excess of the ${}_3F_2$ -series displayed on the right hand side of (5) equals $\Delta = \frac{1}{2} + a$, the equality (5) valid only when $a \geq 0$ and $\sigma \geq 0$. It remains a problem to evaluate, for $a < 0$, the ${}_3F_2$ -series on the left of (5). This can also be resolved by the linearization method.

According to the Pfaff–Saalschütz summation theorem (cf. Bailey [1] §2.2), it is not hard to confirm the linear relation in the following lemma.

Lemma 3 (Linear relation: $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$).

$$(A + n)_m = \sum_{k=0}^m \langle n \rangle_k (B + n)_{m-k} X_k, \quad \text{where } X_k = (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \frac{(A)_m (A - B)_k}{(B)_m (A)_k}.$$

By specializing this to the equality

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1 + b + n)_{-a} &= \sum_{k=0}^{-a} \langle n \rangle_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + a + n\right)_{-a-k} X_k^a, \\
 \text{where } X_k(a) &= \frac{(-a)!}{\langle -\frac{1}{2} \rangle_{-a}} \binom{a - b - \frac{1}{2}}{k} \binom{b - a}{-a - k}
 \end{aligned}$$

and then substituting it into the ${}_3F_2$ -series, we may manipulate the double sum

$$\begin{aligned}
 &{}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} + a, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ & 1 + b, & \frac{1}{2} + d \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} + a, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ 1, & 1 + b, & \frac{1}{2} + d \end{matrix} \right]_n \sum_{k=0}^{-a} \frac{\langle n \rangle_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + a + n\right)_{-a-k}}{(1 + b + n)_{-a}} X_k(a) \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^{-a} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2} + a\right)_{-a-k}}{(1 + b)_{-a}} X_k(a) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\langle n \rangle_k}{n!} \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} - k, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ 1 - a + b, & \frac{1}{2} + d \end{matrix} \right]_n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Performing the replacement $n \rightarrow n + k$, we can express the last sum with respect to n as

$$\left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} - k, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ 1 - a + b, & \frac{1}{2} + d \end{matrix} \right]_k {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{1}{4} + c + k, & \frac{3}{4} + e + k \\ 1 - a + b + k, & \frac{1}{2} + d + k \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right].$$

Therefore, we have established, after some simplifications, the following transformation formula.

Theorem 4 (Reduction formula from $a < 0$ to $a = 0$).

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} + a, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ & 1 + b, & \frac{1}{2} + d \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \sum_{k=0}^{-a} \left[\begin{matrix} a, \frac{1}{2} - a + b, \frac{1}{4} + c, \frac{3}{4} + e \\ 1, 1 - a + b, 1 + b, \frac{1}{2} + d \end{matrix} \right]_k \\
 \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4} + c + k, \frac{3}{4} + e + k \\ 1 - a + b + k, \frac{1}{2} + d + k \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right].$$

It should be emphasized that under this transformation, the parameter excess $\Delta = \sigma = b + d - a - c - e$ remains invariant for all the ${}_3F_2$ -series. However the ${}_3F_2$ -series on the right belongs to **Class-D** and can therefore be evaluated by (5). Ten more formulae are recorded below.

- D11.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; 1, \frac{3}{2} \right] = \frac{13\sqrt{2} + \log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{6\pi}$.
- D12.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}; 1, \frac{1}{2} \right] = \frac{\sqrt{2} + \log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{\pi}$.
- D13.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}; 1, \frac{3}{2} \right] = \frac{\sqrt{2} + 5\log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{2\pi}$.
- D14.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; 1, \frac{3}{2} \right] = \frac{5\sqrt{2} + 9\log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{6\pi}$.
- D15.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; 1, \frac{3}{2} \right] = \frac{3\sqrt{2} - \log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{2\pi}$.
- D16.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, -\frac{3}{4}; 1, \frac{1}{2} \right] = \frac{5\sqrt{2} + 9\log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{3\pi}$.
- D17.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, -\frac{3}{4}; 2, \frac{1}{2} \right] = \frac{34\sqrt{2} + 42\log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{21\pi}$.
- D18.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; 2, \frac{3}{2} \right] = \frac{7\sqrt{2} + 3\ln(1 + \sqrt{2})}{9\pi}$.
- D19.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; 1, \frac{3}{2} \right] = \frac{43\sqrt{2} + 87\log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{30\pi}$.
- D20.** ${}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{3}{4}; 1, \frac{1}{2} \right] = \frac{31\sqrt{2} - 37\log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{8\pi}$.

Campbell, D’Aurizio and Sondow [9,10,22] discovered some formulae in **Class-D**.

- The formula **D1** has been found by them in ([9] Equation (10)), where they also conjectured **D12**. For this last evaluation, five different proofs have been provided by the same authors [10].
- By making use of beta integrals, Campbell recoded in ([22] Theorems 2,3,7 and Example 12) four formulae. The first one ([22] Theorem 2) is corrected by **D18**. The second one ([22] Theorem 3) is incorrect. The third one ([22] Theorem 7) is simplified by **D2**. The fourth one ([22] Example 12) is too complicated to reproduce here.

3.4. Class E

Again in view of the Thomae transformation (3), we can express the “Class-E” series below in terms of the \mathcal{F} -series (where $\sigma = b + d - a - c - e$):

$${}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} a + \frac{1}{2}, & c + \frac{1}{4}, & e + \frac{3}{4} \\ & b + \frac{1}{2}, & d + \frac{3}{2} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] = \Gamma \left[\begin{matrix} \sigma + \frac{1}{2}, b + \frac{1}{2}, d + \frac{3}{2} \\ a + \frac{1}{2}, \sigma + c + \frac{3}{4}, \sigma + e + \frac{5}{4} \end{matrix} \right] \\
 \times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1 + d - a, & b - a, & \sigma + \frac{1}{2} \\ & \sigma + c + \frac{3}{4}, & \sigma + e + \frac{5}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right]. \tag{6}$$

Consequently, the closed formulae below for these series (except for divergent series) can be deduced from those exhibited in “Class A”. Among them, **E2** simplifies a formula of Campbell ([22] Example 5).

- E1.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] = 2\sqrt{2} - 2\log(1 + \sqrt{2}).$
- E2.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] = \frac{1}{3}\{4\sqrt{2} - 2\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- E3.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{3}{2}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right] = \frac{12}{25}\{8\sqrt{2} - 10\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- E4.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] = 2\log(1 + \sqrt{2}).$
- E5.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{3}{2}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right] = 4\{4\sqrt{2} - 6\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- E6.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{3}{4}, \frac{9}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right] = \frac{1}{5}\{\sqrt{2} + 9\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- E7.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right] = \sqrt{2} + \log(1 + \sqrt{2}).$
- E8.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{5}{4}, \frac{11}{4}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right] = \frac{9}{14}\{3\sqrt{2} - \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- E9.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4}, \frac{3}{2}; \frac{5}{2}, \frac{7}{2}\right] = 12\{\sqrt{2} - \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$
- E10.** ${}_3F_2\left[\frac{9}{4}, \frac{11}{4}, \frac{5}{2}; \frac{7}{2}, \frac{9}{2}\right] = 40\{4\sqrt{2} - 6\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}.$

Analogous to the series in **Class-D**, the parameter excess of the ${}_3F_2$ -series displayed on the right hand side of (6) equals $\Delta = \frac{1}{2} + a$, which converges only when $a \geq 0$. We can also evaluate that ${}_3F_2$ -series by reducing the case $a < 0$ to $a = 0$.

By means of Lemma 3, we have the equality

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} + b + n\right)_{-a} = \sum_{k=0}^{-a} \langle n \rangle_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + a + n\right)_{-a-k} X_a^k,$$

where $X_k(a) = \frac{(-a)!}{\langle -\frac{1}{2} \rangle_{-a}} \binom{a-b}{k} \binom{b-a-\frac{1}{2}}{-a-k}$

and then insert it in the ${}_3F_2$ -series, we can handle the double sum

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} + a, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ & \frac{1}{2} + b, & \frac{3}{2} + d \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} + a, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ 1, & \frac{1}{2} + b, & \frac{3}{2} + d \end{matrix} \right]_n \sum_{k=0}^{-a} \frac{\langle n \rangle_k \left(\frac{1}{2} + a + n\right)_{-a-k}}{\left(\frac{1}{2} + b + n\right)_{-a}} X_k(a) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{-a} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2} + a\right)_{-a-k}}{\left(\frac{1}{2} + b\right)_{-a}} X_k(a) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\langle n \rangle_k}{n!} \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} - k, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ \frac{1}{2} - a + b, & \frac{3}{2} + d \end{matrix} \right]_n. \end{aligned}$$

Making the replacement $n \rightarrow n + k$, we can express the last sum as

$$\left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} - k, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ \frac{1}{2} - a + b, & \frac{3}{2} + d \end{matrix} \right]_k {}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{1}{4} + c + k, & \frac{3}{4} + e + k \\ \frac{1}{2} - a + b + k, & \frac{3}{2} + d + k \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right].$$

After some simplifications, we establish the transformation below.

Theorem 5 (Reduction formula from $a < 0$ to $a = 0$).

$$\begin{aligned} {}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2} + a, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ & \frac{1}{2} + b, & \frac{3}{2} + d \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] &= \sum_{k=0}^{-a} \left[\begin{matrix} a, & b - a, & \frac{1}{4} + c, & \frac{3}{4} + e \\ 1, & \frac{1}{2} - a + b, & \frac{1}{2} + b, & \frac{3}{2} + d \end{matrix} \right]_k \\ &\quad \times {}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{1}{4} + c + k, & \frac{3}{4} + e + k \\ \frac{1}{2} - a + b + k, & \frac{3}{2} + d + k \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Under this transformation, the parameter excess $\Delta = \sigma = b + d - a - c - e$ remains invariant for all the ${}_3F_2$ -series involved. However the ${}_3F_2$ -series on the right belongs to **Class-E** and can therefore be evaluated by (6). We record ten more examples.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{E11.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}; \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] &= \frac{6-\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})}{4\sqrt{2}}. \\
 \mathbf{E12.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] &= \frac{14-5\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})}{12\sqrt{2}}. \\
 \mathbf{E13.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] &= \frac{2-3\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})}{4\sqrt{2}}. \\
 \mathbf{E14.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] &= \frac{2+5\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})}{8\sqrt{2}}. \\
 \mathbf{E15.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; \frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right] &= \frac{3\{2+5\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{-16\sqrt{2}}. \\
 \mathbf{E16.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] &= \frac{10-7\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})}{24\sqrt{2}}. \\
 \mathbf{E17.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] &= \frac{10-39\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})}{128\sqrt{2}}. \\
 \mathbf{E18.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; \frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right] &= \frac{3\{62-37\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{256\sqrt{2}}. \\
 \mathbf{E19.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] &= \frac{62-37\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})}{512\sqrt{2}}. \\
 \mathbf{E20.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right] &= \frac{3\{42+41\sqrt{2}\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{128\sqrt{2}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

3.5. Class F

By invoking the Kummer transformation (4), we can express the ‘‘Class-F’’ series below in terms of the \mathcal{F} -series (where $\sigma = b + d - a - c - e$):

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}_3F_2\left[a + \frac{1}{2}, c + \frac{3}{4}, e + \frac{3}{4} \mid 1\right] &= \Gamma\left[\begin{matrix} b + 1, \sigma + \frac{3}{4} \\ b - a + \frac{1}{2}, \sigma + a + \frac{5}{4} \end{matrix}\right] \\
 &\times {}_3F_2\left[\begin{matrix} 1 + d - c, 1 + d - e, a + \frac{1}{2} \\ \sigma + a + \frac{5}{4}, d + \frac{7}{4} \end{matrix} \mid 1\right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Then the closed formulae below for these series (except for divergent series) can be established from those shown in ‘‘Class A’’. Among them, the formula **F10** is due to Campbell and Abrarov ([11] Corollary 5).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{F1.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; 1, \frac{3}{4}\right] &= \frac{2\sqrt{\pi}\{5\sqrt{2}-4\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{F2.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; 1, \frac{7}{4}\right] &= \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}\{8\sqrt{2}+2\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{5\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{F3.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}; 1, \frac{7}{4}\right] &= \frac{6\sqrt{\pi}\{\sqrt{2}+4\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{5\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{F4.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; 1, \frac{11}{4}\right] &= \frac{7\sqrt{\pi}\{4\sqrt{2}+6\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{15\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{F5.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; 1, \frac{3}{4}\right] &= \frac{2\sqrt{\pi}\{4\sqrt{2}-2\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{F6.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; 1, \frac{7}{4}\right] &= \frac{9\sqrt{\pi}\{3\sqrt{2}-\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{4\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{F7.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; 1, \frac{7}{4}\right] &= \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}\{\sqrt{2}+\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{F8.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}; 1, \frac{7}{4}\right] &= \frac{12\sqrt{\pi}\log(1+\sqrt{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{F9.} \quad {}_3F_2\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{4}; 1, \frac{11}{4}\right] &= \frac{7\sqrt{\pi}\{\sqrt{2}+9\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{5\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{F10} \quad {}_3F_2\left[\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}; 1, \frac{7}{4}\right] &= \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}\{3\sqrt{2}-\log(1+\sqrt{2})\}}{2\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

3.6. Class G

Finally, by employing the Kummer transformation (4), we can express the “Class-G” series below in terms of the \mathcal{F} -series (where $\sigma = b + d - a - c - e$):

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} a + \frac{1}{2}, & c + \frac{1}{4}, & e + \frac{1}{4} \\ & b + 1, & d + \frac{1}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right] &= \Gamma \left[\begin{matrix} b + 1, \sigma + \frac{1}{4} \\ b - a + \frac{1}{2}, \sigma + a + \frac{3}{4} \end{matrix} \right] \\
 &\times {}_3F_2 \left[\begin{matrix} d - c, & d - e, & a + \frac{1}{2} \\ & d + \frac{1}{4}, & \sigma + a + \frac{3}{4} \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Then the closed formulae below for these series (except for divergent series) can be shown from those displayed in “Class A”. Among them, the formula **G8** is due to Campbell and Abrarov ([11] Corollary 4), who evaluated also another similar series ([11] Corollary 6).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{G1.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; 1, \frac{13}{4} \right] &= \frac{5\sqrt{\pi} \{4\sqrt{2} - 3\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{44\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{G2.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{3}{4}; 1, \frac{5}{4} \right] &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \{2\sqrt{2} + 3\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{6\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{G3.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, -\frac{3}{4}; 1, \frac{5}{4} \right] &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \{\sqrt{2} + 9\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{12\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{G4.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}; 1, \frac{5}{4} \right] &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \log(1 + \sqrt{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{G5.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}; 2, \frac{5}{4} \right] &= \frac{2\sqrt{\pi} \{-\sqrt{2} + 6\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{9\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}. \\
 \\
 \mathbf{G6.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; 2, \frac{9}{4} \right] &= \frac{5\sqrt{\pi} \{\sqrt{2} - \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{3\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{G7.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{9}{4}; 2, \frac{13}{4} \right] &= \frac{3\sqrt{\pi} \{-\sqrt{2} + 5\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{7\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{G8.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; 1, \frac{9}{4} \right] &= \frac{5\sqrt{\pi} \{3\sqrt{2} - \log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{8\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{G9.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{5}{4}; 2, \frac{9}{4} \right] &= \frac{5\sqrt{\pi} \{2\sqrt{2} - 2\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}. \\
 \mathbf{G10.} \quad {}_3F_2 \left[\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{4}, \frac{9}{4}; 3, \frac{13}{4} \right] &= \frac{6\sqrt{\pi} \{-6\sqrt{2} + 10\log(1 + \sqrt{2})\}}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Concluding Comments

By combining the linearization method with the Kummer and Thomae transformations, we present 100 explicit formulae for 7 classes of nonterminating ${}_3F_2(1)$ -series. They may potentially find applications in mathematics and physics as other mathematical formulae. Further explorations are encouraged to enrich this bank database of hypergeometric series identities.

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