

q -DIFFERENCE EQUATIONS FOR ASKEY-WILSON TYPE INTEGRALS VIA q -POLYNOMIALSJIAN CAO^{1,2} AND DA-WEI NIU³

ABSTRACT. In this paper, we show how to deduce Askey-Wilson type integrals by the method of q -difference equation. In addition, we construct the relation between bilinear generating functions and solutions of q -difference equation. More over, we generalize Bailey's ${}_6\psi_6$ summation from the perspective of q -integral by the method of q -difference equation. At last, we deduce $U(n+1)$ type generating functions for Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials by the method of q -difference equation.

1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we follow the notations and terminology in [21] and suppose that $0 < q < 1$. The q -series and its compact factorials are defined respectively by

$$(a; q)_0 = 1, \quad (a; q)_n = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (1 - aq^k), \quad (a; q)_\infty = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 - aq^k) \quad (1.1)$$

and $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m; q)_n = (a_1; q)_n (a_2; q)_n \cdots (a_m; q)_n$, where $m \in \mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

The q -difference operators D_a and θ_a are defined by [14]

$$D_a\{f(a)\} = \frac{f(a) - f(aq)}{a} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_a\{f(a)\} = \frac{f(aq^{-1}) - f(a)}{aq^{-1}}. \quad (1.2)$$

The Rogers-Szegö polynomials [15]

$$h_n(b, c|q) = \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} b^k c^{n-k} \quad \text{and} \quad g_n(b, c|q) = \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} q^{k(k-n)} b^k c^{n-k} \quad (1.3)$$

play important roles in the theory of orthogonal polynomials. The Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials [14, Eq. (4.4)]

$$\Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q) = \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} (a; q)_k b^k c^{n-k} \quad \text{and} \quad \Psi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q) = \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} (-1)^k q^{\binom{k+1}{2} - nk} \left(\frac{1}{a}; q\right)_k (ab)^k c^{n-k}. \quad (1.4)$$

are generalizations of Rogers-Szegö polynomials. For more information about q -polynomials, please refer to [8, 24, 26, 27].

Liu [29] and [30] obtained several important results by the following q -difference equations. In [31], Liu and Zeng studied relations between q -difference equations and q -orthogonal polynomials.

Proposition 1 ([31, Eq. (2.2) and (2.3)]). *Let $f(a, b)$ be a two-variable analytic function at $(0, 0) \in \mathbb{C}^2$. Then*

(A) *f can be expanded in terms of $h_n(a, b|q)$ if and only if f satisfies the functional equation*

$$bf(aq, b) - af(a, bq) = (b - a)f(a, b). \quad (1.5)$$

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(B) f can be expanded in terms of $g_n(a, b|q)$ if and only if f satisfies the functional equation

$$af(aq, b) - bf(a, bq) = (a - b)f(aq, bq). \quad (1.6)$$

The method of q -difference equation shows itself an effective way to deduce many important results in q -series. For more information, please refer to [14, 29, 30].

In this paper, we generalize Liu-Zeng's results (1.5) and (1.6) as follows.

Theorem 2. Let $f(a, b, c)$ be a three-variable analytic function at $(0, 0, 0) \in \mathbb{C}^3$. Then

(C) f can be expanded in terms of $\Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q)$ if and only if f satisfies the functional equation

$$abf(a, bq, cq) - bf(a, b, cq) + (c - ab)f(a, bq, c) = (c - b)f(a, b, c). \quad (1.7)$$

(D) f can be expanded in terms of $\Psi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q)$ if and only if f satisfies the functional equation

$$abf(a, b, cq^{-1}) - bf(a, qb, cq^{-1}) + (b - cq^{-1})f(a, qb, c) = (ab - cq^{-1})f(a, b, c). \quad (1.8)$$

Remark 3. For $a = 0$ in Theorem 2, equations (1.7) and (1.8) reduce to (1.5) and (1.6) respectively.

Proof of Theorem 2. From the theory of several complex variables [34], we assume that

$$f(a, b, c) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k(a, c)b^k. \quad (1.9)$$

On one hand, substituting equation (1.9) into (1.7) yields

$$ab \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k(a, cq)(bq)^k - b \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k(a, cq)b^k + (c - ab) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k(a, c)(bq)^k = (c - b) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_k(a, c)b^k. \quad (1.10)$$

Equating coefficients of b^k on both sides of equation (1.10) gives

$$A_k(a, c) = \frac{1 - aq^{k-1}}{1 - q^k} D_c\{A_{k-1}(a, c)\}. \quad (1.11)$$

Repeating the process, we obtain

$$A_k(a, c) = \frac{(a; q)_k}{(q; q)_k} D_c^k\{A_0(a, c)\}. \quad (1.12)$$

Letting $f(a, 0, c) = A_0(a, c) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot c^n$, we have

$$A_k(a, c) = \frac{(a; q)_k}{(q; q)_k} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \frac{(q; q)_n}{(q; q)_{n-k}} c^{n-k}. \quad (1.13)$$

Using equation (1.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(a, b, c) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a; q)_k}{(q; q)_k} \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \mu_n \frac{(q; q)_n}{(q; q)_{n-k}} c^{n-k} b^k \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} (a; q)_k b^k c^{n-k} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot \Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, if $f(a, b, c)$ can be expanded in terms of $\Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q)$, we can verify that $f(a, b, c)$ satisfies equation (1.7). Similarly, we assume that

$$f(a, b, c) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} B_k(a, c)b^k. \quad (1.14)$$

Substituting equation (1.14) into (1.8) and comparing the coefficients of b^n , we have

$$B_k(a, c) = \frac{(1 - q^{k-1}/a)(-ab)}{1 - q^k} \theta_c \{B_{k-1}(a, c)\}. \quad (1.15)$$

Repeating the process and letting $f(a, 0, c) = B_0(a, c) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \eta_n \cdot c^n$, we have

$$B_k(a, c) = \frac{(1/a; q)_k (-ab)^k}{(q; q)_k} \theta_c^k \{B_0(a, c)\} = \frac{(1/a; q)_k (-ab)^k}{(q; q)_k} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \eta_n \cdot q^{\binom{k+1}{2} - kn} \frac{(q; q)_n}{(q; q)_{n-k}} c^{n-k}. \quad (1.16)$$

Using equation (1.14), we get

$$f(a, b, c) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \eta_n \cdot \Psi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q). \quad (1.17)$$

Conversely, if $f(a, b, c)$ can be expanded in terms of $\Psi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q)$, we can verify that $f(a, b, c)$ satisfies equation (1.8). The proof is complete. \square

The rest part of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we give a new proof of generating functions for Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials by the method of q -difference equation. In Section 3, we deduce Ismail-Stanton-Viennot type Askey-Wilson integral by the method of q -difference equation. In Section 4, we obtain reversal type Askey-Wilson integral by the method of q -difference equation. In Section 5, we gain Ramanujan type Askey-Wilson integral by the method of q -difference equation. In Section 6, we achieve the generalization of Bailey's ${}_6\psi_6$ summation by the method of q -difference equation. In Section 7, we acquire $U(n+1)$ type generating functions for Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials by the method of q -difference equation.

2. GENERATING FUNCTIONS FOR AL-SALAM-CARLITZ POLYNOMIALS

The following generating functions for Rogers-Szegö and Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials are given respectively.

Lemma 4 ([11, Eq. (29)]). *We have*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_n(b, c|q) \frac{t^n}{(q; q)_n} = \frac{1}{(bt, ct; q)_{\infty}}, \quad \max\{|bt|, |ct|\} < 1, \quad (2.1)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n(b, c|q) \frac{(-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} t^n}{(q; q)_n} = (bt, ct; q)_{\infty}. \quad (2.2)$$

Lemma 5 ([9, Eq. (1.14) and (1.15)]). *We have*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q) \frac{t^n}{(q; q)_n} = \frac{(abt; q)_{\infty}}{(bt, ct; q)_{\infty}}, \quad \max\{|bt|, |ct|\} < 1, \quad (2.3)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Psi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q) \frac{(-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} t^n}{(q; q)_n} = \frac{(bt, ct; q)_{\infty}}{(abt; q)_{\infty}}, \quad |abt| < 1. \quad (2.4)$$

Lemma 6 ([10, Eq. (2.10) and (2.11)]). *For $\max\{|btz|, |ctz|, |cty|, |bty|\} < 1$, we have*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q) \Phi_n^{(x)}(y, z|q) \frac{t^n}{(q; q)_n} = \frac{(abtz, ctxy; q)_{\infty}}{(btz, ctz, cty; q)_{\infty}} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} a, ctz, x \\ abtz, ctxy \end{matrix}; q, bty \right]. \quad (2.5)$$

For $F \in \mathbb{N}_0$, if $a = q^F$ (or $b = q^F$) and $\max\{|ctxyq^{1-F}|, |abtzq^{1-F}|, |bcyzt^2q|\} < 1$, we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Psi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q) \Psi_n^{(x)}(y, z|q) \frac{(-1)^n q^{\binom{n+1}{2}} t^n}{(q; q)_n} = \frac{(btzq, ctyq, ctzq; q)_{\infty}}{(ctxyq, abtzq; q)_{\infty}} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/a, 1/x, 1/(ctz) \\ 1/(abtz), 1/(ctxy) \end{matrix}; q, q \right]. \quad (2.6)$$

There are many clever methods to deduce generating functions for Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials (2.3)-(2.6). For example, Al-Salam and Carlitz [1] obtained bilinear generating functions (or Poisson kernel) for Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials (2.5) and (2.6) with the help of certain identities. Verma and Jain [39] obtained Carlitz type bilinear generating function for Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials by the q -Chu-Vandermonde formula. Srivastava and Jain [36] derived multilinear generating functions involving Al-Salam-Carlitz and Rogers-Szegő polynomials by the transformation theory. For more information, please refer to [1, 9, 36, 39].

In this section, we deduce generating functions for Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials by the method of q -difference equation.

Proof of lemma 5. Denoting the right-hand side (RHS) of the formula (2.3) by $f(a, b, c)$, we check that $f(a, b, c)$ satisfies equation (1.7), so we have

$$f(a, b, c) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot \Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q). \quad (2.7)$$

Using equation (2.1), we have

$$f(0, b, c) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot h_n(b, c|q) = \frac{1}{(bt, ct; q)_{\infty}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_n(b, c|q) \frac{t^n}{(q; q)_n}, \quad (2.8)$$

which yields the left-hand side (LHS) of the formula (2.3). Similarly, we obtain the formula (2.4). The proof of lemma 5 is complete. \square

Proof of lemma 6. We denote the RHS of equation (2.5) by $f(a, b, c)$, and check that $f(a, b, c)$ satisfies equation (1.7), so we have

$$f(a, b, c) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot \Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q). \quad (2.9)$$

Taking $b = 0$ in equation (2.9), then using (2.3) gives

$$f(a, 0, c) = \frac{(ctxy; q)_{\infty}}{(ctz, cty; q)_{\infty}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot c^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(x)}(y, z|q) \frac{(ct)^n}{(q; q)_n}, \quad (2.10)$$

that is, $f(a, b, c)$ equals the LHS of (2.5). Similarly, we can deduce equation (2.6). The proof is complete. \square

3. ISMAIL-STANTON-VIENNOT TYPE ASKEY-WILSON INTEGRAL

For $x = \cos \theta$, we define the notation $h(x; a)$ and $h(x; a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m)$ as

$$h(\cos \theta; a) = (ae^{i\theta}, ae^{-i\theta}; q)_{\infty}, \quad h(\cos \theta; a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m) = h(\cos \theta; a_1)h(\cos \theta; a_2) \cdots h(\cos \theta; a_m). \quad (3.1)$$

The following famous integral due to Askey and Wilson [3, Theorem 2.1].

Proposition 7 (Askey-Wilson integral). *If $\max\{|a|, |b|, |c|, |d|\} < 1$, we have*

$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; a, b, c, d)} d\theta = \frac{2\pi(abcd; q)_{\infty}}{(q, ab, ac, ad, bc, bd, cd; q)_{\infty}}. \quad (3.2)$$

The Ismail-Stanton-Viennot integral [22, Theorem 3.5] is a generalization of Askey-Wilson integral.

Proposition 8 (Ismail-Stanton-Viennot integral). *If $\max\{|a|, |b|, |c|, |d|, |f|\} < 1$, we have*

$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; a, b, c, d, f)} d\theta = \frac{2\pi(abcf, bcdf, ad; q)_{\infty}}{(q, ab, ac, ad, af, bc, bd, bf, cd, cf, df; q)_{\infty}} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} bc, bf, cf \\ abcf, bcdf \end{matrix} ; q, ad \right]. \quad (3.3)$$

Chen and Gu [16] deduced Ismail-Stanton-Viennot type Askey-Wilson integral by the method of Cauchy operator.

Proposition 9 ([16, Eq. (3.3)]). *We have*

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1) d\theta}{h(\cos \theta; a, b, c, d)} \frac{(fge^{i\theta}; q)_\infty}{(ge^{i\theta}; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} f, ae^{i\theta}, be^{i\theta} \\ fge^{i\theta}, ab \end{matrix}; q, ge^{-i\theta} \right] d\theta \\ = \frac{2\pi(cfg, abcd; q)_\infty}{(q, ab, ac, ad, bc, bd, cd, cg; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} f, ac, bc \\ cfg, abcd \end{matrix}; q, dg \right], \quad (3.4)$$

where $\max\{|a|, |b|, |c|, |d|, |g|\} < 1$.

Those integrals play central roles in the theory of orthogonal polynomials. Different proofs can be found in [4, 7, 16, 18, 22, 23, 28, 29, 33].

In this section, we obtain the following Ismail-Stanton-Viennot type integral by the method of q -difference equation.

Theorem 10. *We have*

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; a, b, c, d)} \frac{(uve^{i\theta}, rse^{i\theta}; q)_\infty}{(ve^{i\theta}, se^{i\theta}; q)_\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(u, be^{i\theta}, se^{i\theta}, ae^{i\theta}; q)_j (ve^{-i\theta})^j}{(q, uve^{i\theta}, rse^{i\theta}, ab; q)_j} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} r, ae^{i\theta}q^j, be^{i\theta}q^j \\ rse^{i\theta}q^j, abq^j \end{matrix}; q, se^{-i\theta} \right] d\theta \\ = \frac{2\pi(cuv, crs, abcd; q)_\infty}{(q, ab, ac, ad, bc, bd, cd, cv, cs; q)_\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(u, bc, cs, ac; q)_k (dv)^k}{(q, cuv, crs, abcd; q)_k} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} r, acq^k, bcq^k \\ crsq^k, abcdq^k \end{matrix}; q, sd \right], \quad (3.5)$$

where $\max\{|a|, |b|, |c|, |d|, |s|, |v|\} < 1$.

Remark 11. *For $s = v = 0$ in Theorem 10, equation (3.5) reduces to (3.2). For $s = 0$ in Theorem 10, equation (3.5) reduces to (3.4).*

Before we prove the main results, the following lemma is necessary.

Lemma 12. *For $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we have*

$$ab\Phi_n^{(a)}(bq, cq|q) - b\Phi_n^{(a)}(b, cq|q) + (c - ab)\Phi_n^{(a)}(bq, c|q) = (c - b)\Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q). \quad (3.6)$$

Proof of lemma 12. we can rewrite equation (3.6) by

$$ab\Phi_n^{(a)}(bq, cq|q) - b\Phi_n^{(a)}(b, cq|q) - ab\Phi_n^{(a)}(bq, c|q) + b\Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q) = c\Phi_n^{(a)}(b, c|q) - c\Phi_n^{(a)}(bq, c|q). \quad (3.7)$$

On one hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS of (3.7)} &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} (a; q)_k b^k c^{n-k} [abq^n - bq^{n-k} - abq^k + b] \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} (a; q)_k b^k c^{n-k} b(1 - aq^k)(1 - q^{n-k}) \\ &= (1 - q^n) \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} n-1 \\ k \end{bmatrix} (a; q)_{k+1} b^{k+1} c^{n-k} \\ &= (1 - q^n) \sum_{k=1}^n \begin{bmatrix} n-1 \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix} (a; q)_k b^k c^{n-k+1}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS of (3.7)} &= \sum_{k=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} n \\ k \end{bmatrix} (a; q)_k b^k c^{n-k} [c - cq^k] \\ &= (1 - q^n) \sum_{k=1}^n \begin{bmatrix} n-1 \\ k-1 \end{bmatrix} (a; q)_k b^k c^{n-k+1}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

Comparing equations (3.8) with (3.9) yields (3.7). The proof of lemma 12 is complete. \square

Now we begin to prove Theorem 10.

Proof of Theorem 10. First, we denote $f(u, v, a)$ by

$$\begin{aligned} f(u, v, a) &= \frac{2\pi}{(q, bc, bd, cd; q)_\infty} \frac{(cuv, abcd; q)_\infty}{(cv, ac, ad; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} u, ac, bc \\ cuv, abcd \end{matrix}; q, dv \right] \quad \text{by (2.5)} \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{(q, bc, bd, cd; q)_\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(u)}(v, a|q) \Phi_n^{(bc)}(d, c|q) \frac{1}{(q; q)_n}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

Using lemmas 6 and 12, we check that $f(u, v, a)$ satisfies equation (1.7), so we get

$$f(u, v, a) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot \Phi_n^{(u)}(v, a|q) \quad (3.11)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} f(u, 0, a) &= \frac{2\pi(abcd; q)_\infty}{(q, ac, ad, bc, bd, cd; q)_\infty} = \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; b, c, d)} \frac{(ab; q)_\infty}{(ae^{i\theta}, ae^{-i\theta}; q)_\infty} d\theta \quad \text{by (3.2)} \\ &= \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; b, c, d)} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(bc)}(e^{-i\theta}, e^{i\theta}|q) \frac{a^n}{(q; q)_n} \right\} d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} f(u, v, a) &= \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; b, c, d)} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(u)}(v, a|q) \Phi_n^{(bc)}(e^{-i\theta}, e^{i\theta}|q) \frac{1}{(q; q)_n} \right\} d\theta \quad \text{by (2.5)} \\ &= \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; a, b, c, d)} \frac{(uve^{i\theta}, ab; q)_\infty}{(ve^{i\theta}; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} u, ae^{i\theta}, be^{i\theta} \\ uve^{i\theta}, ab \end{matrix}; q, ve^{-i\theta} \right] d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Repeat this process, we rewrite equation (3.5) equivalently by

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; a, b, c, d)} \frac{(ab, uve^{i\theta}, rse^{i\theta}; q)_\infty}{(ve^{i\theta}, se^{i\theta}; q)_\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(u, be^{i\theta}, se^{i\theta}, ae^{i\theta}; q)_j (ve^{-i\theta})^j}{(q, uve^{i\theta}, rse^{i\theta}, ab; q)_j} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} r, ae^{i\theta} q^j, be^{i\theta} q^j \\ rse^{i\theta} q^j, abq^j \end{matrix}; q, se^{-i\theta} \right] d\theta \\ &= \frac{2\pi(cuv; q)_\infty}{(q, bc, bd, cd, cv; q)_\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(u, bc; q)_k (dv)^k (crsq^k, abcdq^k; q)_\infty}{(q, cuv; q)_k (csq^k, acq^k, ad; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} r, acq^k, bcq^k \\ crsq^k, abcdq^k \end{matrix}; q, sd \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

We denote the RHS of equation (3.12) by $F(r, s, a)$ and verify that $F(r, s, a)$ satisfies equation (1.7), so we have

$$F(r, s, a) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot \Phi_n^{(r)}(s, a|q) \quad (3.13)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F(r, 0, a) &= \frac{2\pi}{(q, bc, bd, cd; q)_\infty} \frac{(cuv, abcd; q)_\infty}{(cv, ac, ad; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} u, ac, bc \\ cuv, abcd \end{matrix}; q, dv \right] \\ &= \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; a, b, c, d)} \frac{(uve^{i\theta}, ab; q)_\infty}{(ve^{i\theta}; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} u, ae^{i\theta}, be^{i\theta} \\ uve^{i\theta}, ab \end{matrix}; q, ve^{-i\theta} \right] d\theta \\ &= \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; b, c, d)} \frac{(uve^{i\theta}; q)_\infty}{(ve^{i\theta}; q)_\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(u, be^{i\theta}; q)_j (ve^{-i\theta})^j}{(q, uve^{i\theta}; q)_j} \frac{(abq^j; q)_\infty}{(ae^{i\theta} q^j, ae^{-i\theta}; q)_\infty} d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; b, c, d)} \frac{(uve^{i\theta}; q)_\infty}{(ve^{i\theta}; q)_\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(u, be^{i\theta}; q)_j (ve^{-i\theta})^j}{(q, uve^{i\theta}; q)_j} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(be^{-i\theta})}(q^j e^{i\theta}, e^{-i\theta}|q) \frac{a^n}{(q; q)_n} \right\} d\theta.$$

Thus

$$F(r, s, a) = \int_0^\pi \frac{h(\cos 2\theta; 1)}{h(\cos \theta; b, c, d)} \frac{(uve^{i\theta}; q)_\infty}{(ve^{i\theta}; q)_\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(u, be^{i\theta}; q)_j (ve^{-i\theta})^j}{(q, uve^{i\theta}; q)_j} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(r)}(s, a|q) \Phi_n^{(be^{-i\theta})}(q^j e^{i\theta}, e^{-i\theta}|q) \frac{1}{(q; q)_n} \right\} d\theta,$$

which equals the LHS of equation (3.12) by equation (2.5). The proof is complete. \square

4. REVERSAL TYPE ASKEY-WILSON INTEGRAL

By iterating functional equations, Askey [4, Eq. (3.11)] proved another remarkable integral formula as follows, which may be considered as reversal Askey-Wilson integral.

Proposition 13 (Reversal Askey-Wilson integral). *For $|qabcd| < 1$, there holds*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(i \sinh x; qa, qb, qc, qd)}{h(\cosh 2x; -q)} dx = \frac{(q, qab, qac, qad, qbc, qbd, qcd; q)_\infty}{(qabcd; q)_\infty} \log(q^{-1}), \quad (4.1)$$

where

$$h(i \sinh \alpha x; t) = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 - 2iq^k t \sinh \alpha x + q^{2k} t^2) = (ite^{\alpha x}, -ite^{-\alpha x}; q)_\infty. \quad (4.2)$$

For more information about reversal type Askey-Wilson integral, please refer to [4, 18, 31].

In this section, we generalize reversal type Askey-Wilson integral by the method of q -difference equation.

Theorem 14. *For $M \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $f = q^M$, we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(i \sinh x; qa, qb, qc, qd)}{h(\cosh 2x; -q)} \frac{(iqge^x; q)_\infty}{(iqfge^x; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, e^{-x}/(ib), e^{-x}/(ia) \\ e^{-x}/(ifg), 1/(ab) \end{matrix}; q, q \right] dx \\ &= \frac{(q, qab, qac, qad, qbc, qbd, qcd, qcg; q)_\infty \log(q^{-1})}{(qabcd, qcfg; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, 1/(bc), 1/(ac) \\ 1/(cfg), 1/(abcd) \end{matrix}; q, q \right], \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

where $\max\{|q^{1-M}abcd|, |q^{1-M}cfg|, |acdgq|\} < 1$.

Corollary 15. *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(i \sinh x; qa, qb, qc, qd, qg)}{h(\cosh 2x; -q)} \frac{1}{(iqge^x; q)_\infty} {}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -e^x/(ia), -e^x/(ib) \\ 1/(ab) \end{matrix}; q, -iqge^{-x} \right] dx \\ &= \frac{(q, qab, qac, qad, qbc, qbd, qcd, qcg; q)_\infty \log(q^{-1})}{(qabcd; q)_\infty} {}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/(bc), 1/(ac) \\ 1/(abcd) \end{matrix}; q, qcg \right], \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

where $\max\{|qabcd|, |qcg|, |acdgq|\} < 1$.

Remark 16. *For $f \rightarrow 0$ in Theorem 14, equation (4.3) reduces to (4.4). For $f \rightarrow 1$ in Theorem 14, equation (4.3) reduces to (4.1).*

Proof of Theorem 14. We can rewrite equation (4.3) equivalently as

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(i \sinh x; qb, qc, qd)}{h(\cosh 2x; -q)} \frac{(iqge^x, -iqae^{-x}, iqae^x; q)_\infty}{(qab, iqfge^x; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, e^{-x}/(ib), e^{-x}/(ia) \\ e^{-x}/(ifg), 1/(ab) \end{matrix}; q, q \right] dx \\ &= \log(q^{-1})(q, qbc, qbd, qcd; q)_\infty \frac{(qcg, qad, qac; q)_\infty}{(qabcd, qcfg; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, 1/(bc), 1/(ac) \\ 1/(cfg), 1/(abcd) \end{matrix}; q, q \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

We check that the RHS of equation (4.5) satisfies equation (1.8), so we have

$$F(f, g, a) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot \Psi_n^{(f)}(g, a|q) \quad (4.6)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F(f, 0, a) &= \frac{(q, qac, qad, qbc, qbd, qcd; q)_{\infty}}{(qabcd; q)_{\infty}} \log(q^{-1}) \quad \text{by (4.1)} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(i \sinh x; qb, qc, qd)}{h(\cosh 2x; -q)} \left\{ \frac{(iqae^x, -iqae^{-x}; q)_{\infty}}{(qab; q)_{\infty}} \right\} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(i \sinh x; qb, qc, qd)}{h(\cosh 2x; -q)} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \Psi_n^{(ibe^x)}(-iqe^{-x}, iqe^x|q) \frac{a^n}{(q; q)_n} \right\} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$F(f, g, a) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(i \sinh x; qb, qc, qd)}{h(\cosh 2x; -q)} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \Psi_n^{(f)}(g, a|q) \Psi_n^{(ibe^x)}(-iqe^{-x}, iqe^x|q) \frac{1}{(q; q)_n} \right\} dx,$$

which is equal to the LHS of equation (4.5) by equation (2.6). The proof is complete. \square

Proof of Corollary 15. Taking $f \rightarrow 0$ in Theorem 14, equation (4.3) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(i \sinh x; qa, qb, qc, qd)}{h(\cosh 2x; -q)} (iqge^x; q)_{\infty} {}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} e^{-x}/(ib), e^{-x}/(ia) \\ 1/(ab) \end{matrix}; q, iqge^x \right] dx \\ = \frac{(q, qab, qac, qad, qbc, qbd, qcd, qcg; q)_{\infty} \log(q^{-1})}{(qabcd; q)_{\infty}} {}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/(bc), 1/(ac) \\ 1/(abcd) \end{matrix}; q, qcg \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

Using Heine's ${}_2\phi_1$ formula [21, Eq. (III.3)]

$${}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} a, b \\ c \end{matrix}; q, z \right] = \frac{(abz/c; q)_{\infty}}{(z; q)_{\infty}} {}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} c/a, c/b \\ c \end{matrix}; q, \frac{abz}{c} \right], \quad (4.8)$$

we obtain

$${}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} e^{-x}/(ib), e^{-x}/(ia) \\ 1/(ab) \end{matrix}; q, iqge^x \right] = \frac{(-iqge^{-x}; q)_{\infty}}{(iqge^x; q)_{\infty}} {}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -e^x/(ia), -e^x/(ib) \\ 1/(ab) \end{matrix}; q, -iqge^{-x} \right] \quad (4.9)$$

and deduce equation (4.4). The proof of corollary 15 is complete. \square

5. RAMANUJAN TYPE ASKEY-WILSON INTEGRAL

With the help of Jacobi theta functions, N.M. Atakishiyev [6, Eq. (19)] discovered the following Ramanujan type representation for the Askey-Wilson integral by the transformation $q \rightarrow q^{-1}$.

Proposition 17 (Atakishiyev integral). *If α is a real number and $q = \exp(-2\alpha^2)$, then we have*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(i \sinh \alpha x; a, b, c, d) e^{-x^2} \cosh \alpha x dx = \sqrt{\pi} q^{-\frac{1}{8}} \frac{(ab/q, ac/q, ad/q, bc/q, bd/q, cd/q; q)_{\infty}}{(abcd/q^3; q)_{\infty}}. \quad (5.1)$$

For more information about Ramanujan type Askey-Wilson integral, please refer to [6, 19, 20, 31, 38].

In this section, we generalize the following Ramanujan type Askey-Wilson integral by the method of q -difference equation.

Theorem 18. For $M \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $f = q^M$, if α is a real number and $q = \exp(-2\alpha^2)$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(i \sinh \alpha x; a, b, c, d) \frac{e^{-x^2} \cosh \alpha x (ig e^{\alpha x}; q)_{\infty}}{(if g e^{\alpha x}; q)_{\infty}} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, qe^{-\alpha x}/(ib), qe^{-\alpha x}/(ia) \\ qe^{-\alpha x}/(ifg), q^2/(ab) \end{matrix}; q, q \right] dx \\ &= \sqrt{\pi} q^{-\frac{1}{8}} \frac{(ab/q, ac/q, ad/q, bc/q, bd/q, cd/q, cg/q; q)_{\infty}}{(abcd/q^3, cfg/q; q)_{\infty}} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, q^2/(bc), q^2/(ac) \\ q^2/(cfg), q^4/(abcd) \end{matrix}; q, q \right], \end{aligned} \quad (5.2)$$

where $\max\{|abcdq^{-M-3}|, |cfgq^{-M-1}|, |acdqq^{-3}|\} < 1$.

Corollary 19. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(i \sinh \alpha x; a, b, c, d, g) \frac{e^{-x^2} \cosh \alpha x}{(ig e^{\alpha x}; q)_{\infty}} {}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} -qe^{\alpha x}/(ia), -qe^{\alpha x}/(ib) \\ q^2/(ab) \end{matrix}; q, -ig e^{-\alpha x} \right] dx \\ &= \sqrt{\pi} q^{-\frac{1}{8}} \frac{(ab/q, ac/q, ad/q, bc/q, bd/q, cd/q, cg/q; q)_{\infty}}{(abcd/q^3; q)_{\infty}} {}_2\phi_1 \left[\begin{matrix} q^2/(bc), q^2/(ac) \\ q^4/(abcd) \end{matrix}; q, \frac{cg}{q} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (5.3)$$

where $\max\{|abcdq^{-M-3}|, |acdqq^{-3}|, |cgq^{-1}|\} < 1$.

Remark 20. For $f \rightarrow 1$ in Theorem 18, equation (5.2) reduces to (5.1). For $f \rightarrow 0$ in Theorem 18, equation (5.2) reduces to (5.3).

Proof of Theorem 18. The equation (5.2) can be written equivalently by

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(i \sinh \alpha x; b, c, d) e^{-x^2} \cosh \alpha x \left\{ \frac{(ig e^{\alpha x}, -iae^{-\alpha x}, ia e^{\alpha x}; q)_{\infty}}{(ab/q, if g e^{\alpha x}; q)_{\infty}} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, qe^{-\alpha x}/(ib), qe^{-\alpha x}/(ia) \\ qe^{-\alpha x}/(ifg), q^2/(ab) \end{matrix}; q, q \right] \right\} dx \\ &= \sqrt{\pi} q^{-\frac{1}{8}} (bc/q, bd/q, cd/q; q)_{\infty} \left\{ \frac{(cg/q, ad/q, ac/q; q)_{\infty}}{(abcd/q^3, cfg/q; q)_{\infty}} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, q^2/(bc), q^2/(ac) \\ q^2/(cfg), q^4/(abcd) \end{matrix}; q, q \right] \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

We denote the RHS of equation (5.4) by $F(f, g, a)$, and check that $F(f, g, a)$ satisfies equation (1.8), so does the LHS of equation (1.8), thus

$$F(f, g, a) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot \Psi_n^{(f)}(g, a|q) \quad (5.5)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F(f, 0, a) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n a^n = \sqrt{\pi} q^{-\frac{1}{8}} (bc/q, bd/q, cd/q; q)_{\infty} \frac{(ad/q, ac/q; q)_{\infty}}{(abcd/q^3; q)_{\infty}} \quad \text{by (5.1)} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(i \sinh \alpha x; b, c, d) e^{-x^2} \cosh \alpha x \left\{ \frac{(iae^{\alpha x}, -iae^{-\alpha x}; q)_{\infty}}{(ab/q; q)_{\infty}} \right\} dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(i \sinh \alpha x; b, c, d) e^{-x^2} \cosh \alpha x \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \Psi_n^{(ibe^{\alpha x}/q)}(-ie^{-\alpha x}, ie^{\alpha x}|q) \frac{a^n}{(q; q)_n} \right\} dx, \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$F(f, g, a) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(i \sinh \alpha x; b, c, d) e^{-x^2} \cosh \alpha x \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \Psi_n^{(f)}(g, a|q) \Psi_n^{(ibe^{\alpha x}/q)}(-ie^{-\alpha x}, ie^{\alpha x}|q) \frac{1}{(q; q)_n} \right\} dx,$$

which is equal to the LHS of (1.8) after using equation (2.6). The proof is complete. \square

6. q -INTEGRAL TYPE BAILEY'S ${}_6\psi_6$ SUMMATION

The bilateral basic hypergeometric series ${}_r\psi_s$ is defined as [21]

$${}_r\psi_s \left[\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_s \end{matrix}; q, z \right] = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r; q)_n}{(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_s; q)_n} (-1)^{(s-r)n} q^{(s-r)\binom{n}{2}} z^n. \quad (6.1)$$

The Jackson's q -integral notation [21]

$$\int_0^\infty f(t) d_q t = (1-q) \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(q^n) q^n. \quad (6.2)$$

Bailey's identity of bilateral well-poised ${}_6\psi_6$ -series is one of the deepest results in the theory of basic hypergeometric series, which implies the Askey-Wilson integral [18]. The famous Bailey's ${}_6\psi_6$ have some important applications in number theory and combinatorics. For more information, please refer to [18, 21].

Proposition 21 (Bailey's ${}_6\psi_6$). For $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}$ with $|\alpha^2 abcd/q^3| < 1$, we have

$${}_6\psi_6 \left[\begin{matrix} q\sqrt{\alpha}, -q\sqrt{\alpha}, q/a, q/b, q/c, q/d \\ \sqrt{\alpha}, -\sqrt{\alpha}, \alpha a, \alpha b, \alpha c, \alpha d \end{matrix}; q, \frac{\alpha^2 abcd}{q^3} \right] = \frac{(q, q\alpha, q/\alpha, \alpha ab/q, \alpha ac/q, \alpha ad/q, \alpha bc/q, \alpha bd/q, \alpha cd/q; q)_\infty}{(a, b, c, d, \alpha a, \alpha b, \alpha c, \alpha d, \alpha^2 abcd/q^3; q)_\infty}. \quad (6.3)$$

In fact, we can rewrite Bailey's ${}_6\psi_6$ as the q -integral form [21, Eq. (5.16)]

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{(\alpha at, a/t, \alpha bt, b/t, \alpha ct, c/t, \alpha dt, d/t; q)_\infty}{(\alpha qt^2, q/(\alpha t^2); q)_\infty} \frac{d_q t}{t} = \frac{(1-q)(q, \alpha ab/q, \alpha ac/q, \alpha ad/q, \alpha bc/q, \alpha bd/q, \alpha cd/q; q)_\infty}{(\alpha^2 abcd/q^3; q)_\infty}. \quad (6.4)$$

There are many proofs of Bailey's ${}_6\psi_6$ summation in the literature, see details in [2, 5, 17, 25, 29, 31, 35].

In this section, we generalize Bailey's ${}_6\psi_6$ summation as follows by the method of q -difference equation.

Theorem 22. For $M \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $f = q^M$, we have

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{(\alpha at, a/t, \alpha bt, b/t, \alpha ct, c/t, \alpha dt, d/t, \alpha gt; q)_\infty}{(\alpha qt^2, q/(\alpha t^2), \alpha fgt; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, q/(\alpha bt), q/(\alpha at) \\ q/(\alpha fgt), q^2/(\alpha ab) \end{matrix}; q, q \right] \frac{d_q t}{t} = \frac{(1-q)(q, \alpha ab/q, \alpha ac/q, \alpha ad/q, \alpha bc/q, \alpha bd/q, \alpha cd/q, \alpha cg/q; q)_\infty}{(\alpha^2 abcd/q^3, \alpha c f g/q; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, q^2/(\alpha bc), q^2/(\alpha ac) \\ q^2/(\alpha c f g), q^4/(\alpha^2 abcd) \end{matrix}; q, q \right], \quad (6.5)$$

where $\max \{ |\alpha^2 abcdq^{-M-3}|, |\alpha c f gq^{-M-1}|, |\alpha^2 acd gq^{-3}| \} < 1$.

Remark 23. For $g = 0$ in Theorem 22, equation (6.5) reduces to (6.4) directly.

Proof of Theorem 22. We rewrite equation (6.5) by

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{(\alpha at, a/t, \alpha bt, b/t, \alpha ct, c/t, \alpha dt, d/t; q)_\infty}{(\alpha qt^2, q/(\alpha t^2); q)_\infty} \frac{(\alpha gt; q)_\infty}{(\alpha ab/q, \alpha fgt; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, q/(\alpha bt), q/(\alpha at) \\ q/(\alpha fgt), q^2/(\alpha ab) \end{matrix}; q, q \right] \frac{d_q t}{t} = (1-q)(q, \alpha bc/q, \alpha bd/q, \alpha cd/q; q)_\infty \frac{(\alpha cg/q, \alpha ad/q, \alpha ac/q; q)_\infty}{(\alpha^2 abcd/q^3, \alpha c f g/q; q)_\infty} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} 1/f, q^2/(\alpha bc), q^2/(\alpha ac) \\ q^2/(\alpha c f g), q^4/(\alpha^2 abcd) \end{matrix}; q, q \right]. \quad (6.6)$$

Denote the RHS of equation (6.6) by $F(f, g, a)$, we can check that both $F(f, g, a)$ and the LHS of (6.6) satisfy equation (1.8) respectively, thus

$$F(f, g, a) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot \Psi_n^{(f)}(g, a|q), \quad (6.7)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(f, 0, a) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n a^n = \frac{(1-q)(q, \alpha ac/q, \alpha ad/q, abc/q, abd/q, \alpha cd/q; q)_{\infty}}{(\alpha^2 abcd/q^3; q)_{\infty}} \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha bt, b/t, \alpha ct, c/t, \alpha dt, d/t; q)_{\infty}}{(\alpha qt^2, q/(\alpha t^2); q)_{\infty}} \left\{ \frac{(\alpha at, a/t; q)_{\infty}}{(\alpha ab/q; q)_{\infty}} \right\} \frac{d_q t}{t} \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha bt, b/t, \alpha ct, c/t, \alpha dt, d/t; q)_{\infty}}{(\alpha qt^2, q/(\alpha t^2); q)_{\infty}} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \Psi_n^{(b/(qt))}(\alpha t, 1/t|q) \frac{a^n}{(q; q)_n} \right\} \frac{d_q t}{t}. \quad (6.8)
 \end{aligned}$$

By equation (6.7) and (6.8), we have

$$F(f, g, a) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha bt, b/t, \alpha ct, c/t, \alpha dt, d/t; q)_{\infty}}{(\alpha qt^2, q/(\alpha t^2); q)_{\infty}} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{\binom{n}{2}} \Psi_n^{(f)}(g, a|q) \Psi_n^{(b/(qt))}(\alpha t, 1/t|q) \frac{1}{(q; q)_n} \right\} \frac{d_q t}{t}, \quad (6.9)$$

which is equivalent to the LHS of (6.6) after using equation (2.6). The proof is complete. \square

7. $U(n+1)$ TYPE GENERATING FUNCTIONS FOR AL-SALAM-CARLITZ POLYNOMIALS

Multiple basic hypergeometric series associated to the unitary $U(n+1)$ group have been investigated by various authors, see [12, 13, 32, 37, 40, 41]. In [32], Milne initiated the theory and application of the $U(n+1)$ generalization of the classical Bailey transform and Bailey lemma, which involve the following nonterminating $U(n+1)$ generalizations of the q -binomial theorem.

Proposition 24 ([32, Theorem 5.42]). *Let b, z and x_1, \dots, x_n be indeterminate, and let $n \geq 1$. Suppose that none of the denominators in the following identity vanishes, and that $0 < |q| < 1$ and $|z| < |x_1 \dots x_n| |x_m|^{-n} |q|^{(n-1)/2}$, for $m = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\substack{y_k \geq 0 \\ k=1,2,\dots,n}} \left\{ \prod_{1 \leq r < s \leq n} \left[\frac{1 - \frac{x_r}{x_s} q^{y_r - y_s}}{1 - \frac{x_r}{x_s}} \right] \prod_{r,s=1}^n \left(q \frac{x_r}{x_s}; q \right)_{y_r}^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i)^{ny_i - (y_1 + \dots + y_n)} (-1)^{(n-1)(y_1 + \dots + y_n)} \right. \\
 \left. \times q^{y_2 + 2y_3 + \dots + (n-1)y_n + (n-1) \left[\binom{y_1}{2} + \dots + \binom{y_n}{2} \right] - e_2(y_1, \dots, y_n)} (b; q)_{y_1 + \dots + y_n} z^{y_1 + \dots + y_n} \right\} = \frac{(bz; q)_{\infty}}{(z; q)_{\infty}}, \quad (7.1)
 \end{aligned}$$

where $e_2(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ is the second elementary symmetric function of $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$.

In this section, we generalize $U(n+1)$ type generating functions for Al-Salam-Carlitz polynomials by the method of q -difference equation.

Theorem 25. *Let u, v, r, s, x, y, z and x_1, \dots, x_n be indeterminate, and let $n \geq 1$. Suppose that none of the denominators in the following identity vanishes, and that $0 < |q| < 1$ and $|z| < |x_1 \dots x_n| |x_m|^{-n} |q|^{(n-1)/2}$, for $m = 1, 2, \dots, n$. We have*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{\substack{y_k \geq 0 \\ k=1,2,\dots,n}} \left\{ \prod_{1 \leq r < s \leq n} \left[\frac{1 - \frac{x_r}{x_s} q^{y_r - y_s}}{1 - \frac{x_r}{x_s}} \right] \prod_{r,s=1}^n \left(q \frac{x_r}{x_s}; q \right)_{y_r}^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i)^{ny_i - (y_1 + \dots + y_n)} (-1)^{(n-1)(y_1 + \dots + y_n)} \right. \\
 \left. \times q^{y_2 + 2y_3 + \dots + (n-1)y_n + (n-1) \left[\binom{y_1}{2} + \dots + \binom{y_n}{2} \right] - e_2(y_1, \dots, y_n)} \Phi_{y_1 + \dots + y_n}^{(u)}(v, x|q) \Phi_{y_1 + \dots + y_n}^{(r)}(s, y|q) z^{y_1 + \dots + y_n} \right. \\
 \left. = \frac{(rsvz, uvyz; q)_{\infty}}{(svz, vyz, xyz; q)_{\infty}} {}_3\phi_2 \left[\begin{matrix} r, vyz, uv/x \\ rsvz, uvyz \end{matrix}; q, sxz \right], \quad (7.2)
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\max\{|svz|, |vyz|, |xyz|, |sxz|\} < 1$ and $e_2(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ defined in formula (7.1).

Remark 26. For $n = 1$ in Theorem 25, equation (7.3) reduces to (2.5). For $v = s = 0$ in Theorem 25, equation (7.3) reduces to (7.1) with $b = 0$.

Proof of Theorem 25. First, we denote $f(u, v, x)$ by

$$f(u, v, x) = \sum_{\substack{y_k \geq 0 \\ k=1,2,\dots,n}} \left\{ \prod_{1 \leq r < s \leq n} \left[\frac{1 - \frac{x_r}{x_s} q^{y_r - y_s}}{1 - \frac{x_r}{x_s}} \right] \prod_{r,s=1}^n \left(q \frac{x_r}{x_s}; q \right)_{y_r}^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i)^{ny_i - (y_1 + \dots + y_n)} (-1)^{(n-1)(y_1 + \dots + y_n)} \right. \\ \left. \times q^{y_2 + 2y_3 + \dots + (n-1)y_n + (n-1)} \left[\binom{y_1}{2} + \dots + \binom{y_n}{2} \right]^{-e_2(y_1, \dots, y_n)} \Phi_{y_1 + \dots + y_n}^{(u)}(v, x|q)(zy)^{y_1 + \dots + y_n}, \quad (7.3)$$

we can check that $f(u, v, x)$ satisfies equation (1.7), so we have

$$f(u, v, x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n \cdot \Phi_n^{(u)}(v, x|q) \quad (7.4)$$

and

$$f(u, 0, x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n x^n = \frac{1}{(xyz; q)_{\infty}} \quad \text{by (7.1)} \\ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(yz)^n x^n}{(q; q)_n}.$$

Using equation (7.4) yields

$$f(u, v, x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(u)}(v, x|q) \frac{(yz)^n}{(q; q)_n} = \frac{(uvyz; q)_{\infty}}{(vyz, xyz; q)_{\infty}}. \quad (7.5)$$

Similarly, denote $F(r, s, y)$ by the LHS of equation (7.3), we can also check that $F(r, s, y)$ satisfies equation (1.7). By the same method, we have

$$F(r, s, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Phi_n^{(u)}(v, x|q) \Phi_n^{(r)}(s, y|q) \frac{z^n}{(q; q)_n}, \quad (7.6)$$

which is equal to the RHS of equation (7.3) by (2.5). The proof is complete. \square

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