

SOME GENERATING FUNCTIONS

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The generalized hypergeometric series

$${}_2F_0(-n, a - 1 + n; -; -x/b)$$

is the Bessel polynomial of Krall and Frink, for we know that

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} y_n(x, a, b) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{n+k+a-2}{k} k! (x/b)^k \\ &= {}_2F_0(-n, a - 1 + n; -; -x/b). \end{aligned}$$

The object of this note is to consider some generating functions of the generalized hypergeometric series

$${}_2F_0(-n, c + kn; -; x),$$

where k is a positive integer.

First we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} {}_2F_0(-n, c + kn; -; x) \frac{t^n}{n!} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i (c)_{kn+i}}{i!(n-i)!(c)_{kn}} x^i t^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{(d_n)_{(k+1)i}}{(d_n)_{ki}} \frac{x^i t^{n+i}}{n! i!}, \end{aligned}$$

where $d_n = c + kn$. Now we know that if k is a positive integer and n a non-negative integer, then

$$(2) \quad (\alpha)_{kn} = k^{nk} \binom{\alpha}{k}_n \binom{\alpha+1}{k}_n \cdots \binom{\alpha+k-1}{k}_n.$$

Thus we derive

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} {}_2F_0(-n, c + kn; -; x) \frac{t^n}{n!} \\ = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} {}_{k+1}F_k \left[\begin{matrix} \frac{d_n}{k+1}, \frac{d_n+1}{k+1}, \dots, \frac{d_n+k}{k+1}; \\ \frac{d_n}{k}, \frac{d_n+1}{k}, \dots, \frac{d_n+k-1}{k}; \end{matrix} \right] \frac{(k+1)^{k+1}}{k^k} x t \frac{t^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

Next we notice the following formula of Bailey [1]:

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