ADDENDUM TO "SOME POLYNOMIALS DEFINED BY GENERATING RELATIONS"

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ABSTRACT. Certain constraints are explicitly specified for the validity of a recent result involving a multivariate generating function, due to the present authors [1, p. 369, Theorem 6]. It is also indicated how this result can be further generalized. (See Theorem 6* below.)

It should be pointed out that Theorem 6 (p. 369) of [1] holds as stated if and only if

$$(\dagger) \quad \lambda_j = \lambda \quad \text{and} \quad q_j = q, \quad \forall j \in \{1, \dots, r\},$$

where λ is an arbitrary constant, real or complex, and q is a positive integer.

In general, however, for arbitrary complex parameters $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$, and arbitrary positive integers $q_1, \dots, q_r$, not necessarily all equal as in equation (†) above, Theorem 6 should be replaced by

THEOREM 6*. *Let the parameters α, β and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$, and the coefficients $C(k_1, \dots, k_r)$, $k_j \geq 0, \forall j \in \{1, \dots, r\}$, be arbitrary complex numbers independent of n . Also let the sequence of polynomials*

$$\Lambda_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}[\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r; q_1, \dots, q_r; z_1, \dots, z_r]$$

be defined by equation (40) on p. 369 of [1] for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, and for arbitrary positive integers $q_1, \dots, q_r$, independent of n .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} (41^*) \quad & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + (\beta + 1)n} \binom{\alpha + (\beta + 1)n}{n} \Lambda_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}[\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r; q_1, \dots, q_r; z_1, \dots, z_r] t^n \\ &= (1 + w)^\alpha H^*[\alpha, \beta; z_1(-w)^{q_1}(1 + w)^{\lambda_1}, \dots, z_r(-w)^{q_r}(1 + w)^{\lambda_r}], \end{aligned}$$

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where w is a function of t defined by equation (8) on p. 361 of [1], and

$$(42^*) \quad H^*[\alpha, \beta; u_1, \dots, u_r] = \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_r=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + (\beta + 1)Q(k) + \Lambda(k)} C(k_1, \dots, k_r) u_1^{k_1} \dots u_r^{k_r},$$

with, for convenience,

$$(43) \quad Q(k) = q_1 k_1 + \dots + q_r k_r \quad \text{and} \quad \Lambda(k) = \lambda_1 k_1 + \dots + \lambda_r k_r.$$

REMARK. Evidently, in the general case considered in [1], the above equations (41*) and (42*) would replace our earlier relationships (41) and (42), respectively.

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