

SOME BESSEL FUNCTION INTEGRALS

by T. M. MACROBERT
(Received 16th June, 1955)

The basic formula to be proved is

$$\int_0^\infty E(p; \alpha_r; q; \rho_s; z \operatorname{sech}^2 u) (\sinh u)^{2n-1} \cosh u \, du = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(n) z^n E(p; \alpha_r - n; q; \rho_s - n; z), \dots(1)$$

where $p \geq q + 1$, $z \neq 0$, $|\operatorname{amp} z| < \pi$, $R(n) > 0$, $R(\alpha_r - n) > 0$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, p$. For other values of p and q the result holds if the integral converges. From this formula some results, involving Bessel functions and Confluent Hypergeometric functions, will be deduced.

In the formula

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-\mu/z} \mu^{n-1} d\mu = \Gamma(n) z^n,$$

where $R(z) > 0$, $R(n) > 0$, replace μ by $\lambda - 1$ and it can be written

$$\int_1^\infty E(\dots; z/\lambda) (\lambda - 1)^{n-1} d\lambda = \Gamma(n) z^n E(\dots; z); \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

and, on generalising, this gives

$$\int_1^\infty E(p; \alpha_r; q; \rho_s; z/\lambda) (\lambda - 1)^{n-1} d\lambda = \Gamma(n) z^n E(p; \alpha_r - n; q; \rho_s - n; z), \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

where $p \geq q + 1$, $z \neq 0$, $|\operatorname{amp} z| < \pi$, $R(n) > 0$, $R(\alpha_r - n) > 0$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, p$. For other values of p and q the result holds if the integral converges. Formula (1) is obtained by putting $\lambda = \cosh^2 u$.

Note 1. In the process of increasing q while p remains fixed the formula used is

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int e^{\xi} \xi^{-\rho} d\xi = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\rho)}, \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

where the integral starts from $-\infty$ on the ξ -axis, passes round the origin in the positive direction, and returns to $-\infty$ on the ξ -axis, and $\operatorname{amp} \xi = 0$ to the right of the origin. In deriving the case, $p = 0$, $q = 1$, from (2) z should be taken to be real and positive and the contour should be replaced by a line parallel to and to the right of the imaginary axis. The integral (4) then converges if $R(\rho) > 0$.

Note 2. If λ is replaced by $1/\lambda$ in (3), the resulting formula is a particular case of the formula given on page 118 of Volume I of these *Proceedings*, or of Ragab's more general formula (2) on page 77 of the present volume. By replacing the variables of integration in these formulae by $\operatorname{sech}^2 u$, more general integrals of the same type as (1) can be obtained.

Now in (3) put $p = 0$, $q = 1$, $\rho_1 = \frac{3}{2}$ and replace n by $\frac{1}{2} - n$, λ by ξ^2 and z by $4/x^2$; so obtaining the known formula *

$$\int_1^\infty \frac{\sin(x\xi)}{(\xi^2 - 1)^{n+\frac{1}{4}}} d\xi = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - n) \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n J_n(x), \dots\dots\dots(5)$$

where x is real and positive and $-\frac{1}{2} < R(n) < \frac{1}{2}$.

* Titchmarsh, E.C., *Introduction to the Theory of Fourier Integrals*, p. 200.

In what follows the formulae

$$\cos m\pi E(\frac{1}{2} + m, \frac{1}{2} - m : : 2z) = \sqrt{(2\pi z)} e^z K_m(z), \dots\dots\dots(6)$$

$$E(\frac{1}{2} - k + m, \frac{1}{2} - k - m : : z) = \Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - k + m) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - k - m) z^{-k} e^{iz} W_{k,m}(z) \dots\dots\dots(7)$$

will be required.

In (1) put $p=2, q=0, \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2} + m, \alpha_2 = \frac{1}{2} - m$, and replace n by k and z by $2z$; then, from (6) and (7),

$$\int_0^\infty e^{z \operatorname{sech}^2 u} K_m(z \operatorname{sech}^2 u) (\sinh u)^{2k-1} du = \frac{\cos m\pi}{\sqrt{(2\pi z)}} \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(k) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - k + m) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - k - m) e^z W_{k,m}(2z), \dots\dots\dots(8)$$

where $z \neq 0, |\operatorname{amp} z| < \pi, R(k) > 0, R(k \pm m) < \frac{1}{2}$.

Again, in (1) put $p=2, q=0, \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2} + k + m, \alpha_2 = \frac{1}{2} + k - m$ and replace z by $2z$ and n by k ; then

$$\int_0^\infty e^{z \operatorname{sech}^2 u} W_{-k,m}(2z \operatorname{sech}^2 u) (\tanh u)^{2k-1} du = \frac{\Gamma(k) \sqrt{(2\pi z)} e^z K_m(z)}{2 \cos m\pi \Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + k + m) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + k - m)}, \dots\dots(9)$$

where $z \neq 0, |\operatorname{amp} z| < \pi, R(k) > 0, R(\frac{1}{2} \pm m) > 0$.

Finally, let $p=0, q=1, \rho_1 = m + 1$, and replace z by $4/x^2$; then, if x is real and positive,

$$\int_0^\infty J_m(x \cosh u) (\sinh u)^{2n-1} (\cosh u)^{1-m} du = 2^{n-1} \Gamma(n) x^{-n} J_{m-n}(x), \dots\dots\dots(10)$$

provided that $R(n) > 0, R(m - 2n) > -\frac{1}{2}$.

UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW