

# ON APPELL'S DOUBLE HYPERGEOMETRIC FUNCTIONS

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1. INTRODUCTION: Evaluating some of the infinite integrals involving confluent hypergeometric functions I came across a double series analogous to APPELL'S double hypergeometric function of the form

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (b)_s (c)_{r+s} (d)_{r+s}}{(a')_r (b')_s (e)_{r+s} |r| |s|} x^r y^s \quad (1.1)$$

where as usual  $(a)_r = \frac{\Gamma(a+r)}{\Gamma(a)}$ . The series converges absolutely when  $|x|, |y| < 1$ .

The series (1.1) is a very special case of the KAMPE' de FERIET'S hypergeometric function of two variables of higher order and in KAMPE' de FERIET'S notation, the function

$$F \left[ \begin{array}{c|cc|c} 2 & c, & d & \\ \hline 1 & a, & b & x \\ 1 & e & & y \\ \hline 1 & a', & b' & \end{array} \right] \quad (1.2)$$

In this paper, we shall study some of the properties of the series (1.1) and its relation with other known APPELL'S double hypergeometric functions [3] We shall denote the series (1.1) symbolically as

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{array}{c} c, d : a ; b \\ e : a' ; b' ; x, y \end{array} \right] \quad (1.3)$$

When  $d = e$ , this series reduces to a well known series  $F^{(2)}$ , defined as

$$F^{(2)} \left[ c; a, b; a', b'; x, y \right] = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (b)_s (c)_{r+s}}{(a')_r (b')_s |r| |s|} x^r y^s \quad (1.4)$$

When we take  $b = b'$  in the series (1.1), it reduces to

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (c)_{r+s} (d)_{r+s}}{(a')_r (e)_{r+s} |r| |s|} x^r y^s \quad (1.5)$$

which we shall symbolically denote as

$$F^{(5)} \left[ c, d: a; e: a'; x, y \right] \quad (1.6)$$

Again, when  $a = a'$  in the series (1.5), it reduces to a known expansion

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(c)_{r+s} (d)_{r+s}}{(e)_{r+s} |r| |s|} x^r y^s = {}_2F_1 \left[ c, d; e; x + y \right] \quad (1.7)$$

INTEGRAL REPRESENTATION OF  $F^{(5)}$  and  $F^{(6)}$ :

For finding out the integral representation of  $F^{(6)}$ , we shall first find out the integral representation of  $F^{(5)}$ . Now, by definition we have

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(5)} &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (c)_{r+s} (d)_{r+s}}{(a')_r (e)_{r+s} |r| |s|} x^r y^s \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (c)_r (d)_r}{(a')_r (e)_r |r|} {}_2F_1 \left[ c + r, d + r; e + r; y \right] x^r \end{aligned}$$

Using EULER'S integral

$${}_2F_1 \left[ a, b; c; z \right] = \frac{\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(b) \Gamma(c-b)} \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-tz)^{-a} dt \quad (2.1)$$

where  $R(c) > R(b) > 0$  and  $|\arg(1-z)| < \pi$ , and on reversing the order of summation and integration, which is justified as the series is absolutely convergent for the conditions given above, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 F^{(5)} \left[ \begin{matrix} c, d : a \\ e : a' \end{matrix} ; x, y \right] &= \\
 &= \frac{\overline{\Gamma}(e)}{\overline{\Gamma}(d) \overline{\Gamma}(e-d)} \int_0^1 t^{d-1} (1-t)^{e-d-1} (1-ty)^{-c} {}_2F_1 \left[ a, c ; a' ; \frac{tx}{1-ty} \right] dt
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

Again, using the EULER'S integral (2.1), in the relation (2.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 F^{(5)} \left[ \begin{matrix} c, d : a \\ e : a' \end{matrix} ; x, y \right] &= \\
 &= \frac{\overline{\Gamma}(e) \overline{\Gamma}(a')}{\overline{\Gamma}(c) \overline{\Gamma}(d) \overline{\Gamma}(e-d) \overline{\Gamma}(a'-c)} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 t^{d-1} (1-t)^{e-d-1} (1-ty)^{-c} u^{c-1} \\
 &\quad \times (1-u)^{a'-c-1} (1-ty-utx)^{-a} du dt
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

where  $R(c) > R(b) > 0$ .

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} c, d : a ; b \\ e : a' ; b' \end{matrix} ; x, y \right] &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (b)_s (c)_{r+s} (d)_{r+s}}{(a')_r (b')_s (e)_{r+s} |r| |s|} x^r y^s \\
 &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (c)_r (d)_r}{(a')_r (e)_r |r|} x^r \cdot {}_3F_2 \left[ b, c+r, d+r ; b', e+r ; y \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the result [1., p. 200]

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}_{p+1}F_{q+1} \left[ \begin{matrix} v, a_1, \dots, ap \\ \mu+v, b_1, \dots, bq \end{matrix} ; \alpha y \right] &= \frac{\overline{\Gamma}(\mu+v)}{\overline{\Gamma}(\mu) \overline{\Gamma}(v)} y^{-\mu-v+1} \\
 &\quad \times \int_0^1 x^{\mu-1} (y-x)^{\mu-1} {}_pF_q \left[ \begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, ap \\ b_1, \dots, bq \end{matrix} ; \alpha x \right] dx
 \end{aligned}$$

we get

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} c, d: a; b \\ e: a'; b' \end{matrix}; x, y \right] = \frac{\overline{|(b')|}}{\overline{|(b'-b)|} \overline{|(b)|}} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (c)_r (d)_r x^r}{(a')_r (e)_r \underline{|r|}} \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{b'-1} {}_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} c+r, d+r; e+r \end{matrix}; ty \right] dt = I$$

Expanding hypergeometric function  ${}_2F_1$  in infinite series and reversing the order of summation and integration, we get

$$I = \frac{\overline{|(b')|}}{\overline{|(b'-b)|} \overline{|(b)|}} \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{b'-1} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (c)_{r+s} (d)_{r+s} x^r (y t)^s}{(a')_r (e)_{r+s} \underline{|r|} \underline{|s|}} dt$$

Interpreting the involved double series with the help of (1.6), we get

$$I = \frac{\overline{|(b')|}}{\overline{|(b'-b)|} \overline{|(b)|}} \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{b'-1} F^{(5)} \left[ \begin{matrix} c, d: a \\ e: a' \end{matrix}; x, yt \right] dt$$

Now, using the relation (2.3), we get the required integral representation of the series  $F^{(6)}$  as

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} c, d: a; b \\ e: a'; b' \end{matrix}; x, y \right] = \frac{\overline{|(b')|} \overline{|(e)|} \overline{|(a')|}}{\overline{|(c)|} \overline{|(d)|} \overline{|(e-d)|} \overline{|(a'-c)|} \overline{|(b'-b)|} \overline{|(b)|}} \times \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{b'-1} v^{d-1} (1-v)^{e-d-1} (1-vyt)^{a-c} u^{c-1} (1-u)^{a'-c-1} (1-vyt-uvx)^{-a} du dv dt \quad (2.4)$$

3. We have the following two elementary expansions as

$${}_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} a, b; c; x \end{matrix} \right] {}_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} a', b'; c'; y \end{matrix} \right] = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (a')_s (b)_r (b')_s x^r y^s}{\underline{|s|} \underline{|r|} (c)_r (c')_s} \quad (3.1)$$

and

$${}_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} a, b; c; x+y \end{matrix} \right] = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{r+s} (b)_{r+s} x^r y^s}{(c)_{r+s} \underline{|r|} \underline{|s|}} \quad (3.2)$$

CHAUNDI & BURCHNALL [2., p. 250] have introduced the inverse pair of symbolic operators

$$\nabla (h) \equiv \frac{\overline{|(h)} \overline{|(\delta + \delta' + h)}}{\overline{|(\delta + h)} \overline{|(\delta' + h)}}, \Delta (h) \equiv \frac{\overline{|(\delta + h)} \overline{|(\delta' + h)}}{\overline{|(h)} \overline{|(\delta + \delta' + h)}}$$

where  $\delta, \delta' \equiv x \delta/\delta x, y \delta/\delta y,$

then

$$\nabla (h) (h)_r (h)_s x^r y^s = (h)_{r+s} x^r y^s$$

Now using these definitions, the series can also be expressed in terms of product of simple hypergeometric function as

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} c, d: a; b \\ e: a'; b' \end{matrix}; \varkappa, y \right] = \nabla (c) \nabla (d) \Delta (e) {}_3F_2 \left[ \begin{matrix} a, c, d; a', c; \varkappa \\ b, c, d; b', e; y \end{matrix} \right] \quad (3.3)$$

In the relation (3.3) if take  $d = e$  we get the known result [2., p. 253]

$$F^{(2)} [c: a, b; a', b'; x, y] = \nabla (c) {}_2F_1 [c, a; a'; \varkappa] {}_2F_1 [c, b; b'; y] \quad (3.4)$$

Again, using the same definition and the result (3.1) we get the result

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} a, b': b, a' \\ c: b', a \end{matrix}; \varkappa, y \right] = \nabla (a) \nabla (b') \Delta (c) {}_2F_1 [a, b; c; \varkappa] {}_2F_1 [a', b'; c; y] \quad (3.5)$$

Now, using the relation [2., p. 270]

$$\begin{aligned} {}_{p+1}F_p^{(2)} \left[ \begin{matrix} a: b_1, \dots, b_p; b'_1, \dots, b'_p \\ c_1, \dots, c_p; c'_1, \dots, c'_p \end{matrix}; \varkappa, y \right] &= \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_{r+s} (b_1)_r \dots (b_p)_r (b'_1)_s \dots (b'_p)_s}{|r|_s (c_1)_r \dots (c_p)_r (c'_1)_s \dots (c'_p)_s} \varkappa^r y^s \\ &= \nabla (a) {}_{p+1}F_p \left[ \begin{matrix} a, b_1, \dots, b_p \\ c_1, \dots, c_p \end{matrix}; \varkappa \right] {}_{p+1}F_p \left[ \begin{matrix} a, b'_1, \dots, b'_p \\ c'_1, \dots, c'_p \end{matrix}; y \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

In the relation (3.3), we get

$$\nabla (d) \Delta (e) F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} c, d: a'; b' \\ e: a'; b' \end{matrix}; \kappa, y \right] = {}_3F_2^{(2)} \left[ \begin{matrix} c: a, d; b, d \\ d, e; b', e \end{matrix}; \kappa, y \right] \quad (3.7)$$

We can also relate the series  $F^{(6)}$  with other known APPELL'S Hypergeometric series [3] in the following way:

$$\text{a) } F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1, \delta: \beta_1; \beta' \\ \gamma: \delta_1; \delta \end{matrix}; \kappa, y \right] = \nabla (\delta) F^{(1)} \left[ \alpha'; \beta_1, \beta'; \gamma; \kappa, y \right] \quad (3.8)$$

$$\text{b) } F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1, \beta': \beta_1; \gamma \\ \gamma: \beta_1'; \gamma' \end{matrix}; \kappa_1 y \right] = \nabla (\beta') \Delta (\gamma) F^{(2)} \left[ \alpha; \beta_1, \beta'; \gamma_1, \gamma'; \kappa, y \right] \quad (3.9)$$

$$\text{c) } F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \beta_1, \beta': \alpha_1; \alpha' \\ \gamma: \beta_1'; \beta \end{matrix}; \kappa_1 y \right] = \nabla (\beta) \nabla (\beta') F^{(3)} \left[ \alpha_1, \alpha'; \beta, \beta'; \gamma; \kappa, y \right] \quad (3.10)$$

and

$$\text{d) } F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha, \beta': \delta, \delta \\ \delta: \gamma, \gamma' \end{matrix}; \kappa, y \right] = \Delta (\delta) F^{(4)} \left[ \alpha_1, \beta; \gamma, \gamma'; \kappa, y \right] \quad (3.11)$$

CHAUNDI & BURCHNALL [2. p. 250] have given the following results:

$$\nabla (b) F^{(1)} [a; b, b; c; \kappa, \gamma] = {}_2F_1 [a, b; c; \kappa + y], \quad (3.12)$$

$$F^{(1)} [a; b, b'; c_1; \kappa, y] = \nabla (a) \Delta (c) {}_2F_1 [a, b; c; \kappa] {}_2F_1 [a, b'; c; y] \quad (3.13)$$

$$\nabla (b) \Delta (c) F^{(2)} [a; b_1 b; c, c; \kappa, y] = {}_2F_1 [a_1, b; c; \kappa + y] \quad (3.14)$$

$$F^{(3)} [a_1, a'; b_1, b'; c; \kappa, y] = \Delta (c) {}_2F_1 [a_1 b; c; \kappa] {}_2F_1 [a'_1 b'; c; y] \quad (3.15)$$

and

$$\Delta (\gamma) F^{(4)} [\alpha_1, \beta; \gamma_1, \gamma; \kappa_1 y] = {}_2F_1 [\alpha_1, \beta; \gamma; \kappa + y] \quad (3.16)$$

Now using the result (3.12) in the relation (3.8) after putting  $\beta' = \beta$  we get

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha, \delta: \beta; \beta \\ \gamma: \delta; \delta \end{matrix}; \kappa, \gamma \right] = \nabla (\delta) \Delta (\beta) {}_2F_1 \left[ \alpha_1, \beta; \gamma; \kappa + y \right] \quad (3.17)$$

Using relation (3.13) in the result (3.8) we get

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha, \delta : \beta; \beta' \\ \gamma : \delta; \delta' \end{matrix}; \varkappa, y \right] = \nabla(\delta) \nabla(\alpha) \Delta(\gamma) {}_2F_1[\alpha, \beta; \gamma; \varkappa] {}_2F_1[\alpha, \beta'; \gamma; y] \tag{3.18}$$

Using relation (3.4) in (.9) & the relation (3.15) in (3.10) we get

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha, \beta' : \beta; \gamma \\ \gamma; \beta'; \gamma' \end{matrix}; \varkappa, y \right] = \nabla(\beta') \nabla(\alpha) \Delta(\gamma) {}_2F_1[\alpha, \beta; \gamma; \varkappa] {}_2F_1[\alpha, \beta'; \gamma'; y] \tag{3.19}$$

and

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \beta, \beta' : \alpha; \alpha' \\ \gamma : \beta'; \beta \end{matrix}; \varkappa, y \right] = \nabla(\beta) \nabla(\beta') \Delta(\gamma) {}_2F_1[\alpha, \beta; \gamma; \varkappa] {}_2F_1[\alpha', \beta'; \gamma; y] \tag{3.20}$$

Using relation (3.16) in (3.11) after putting  $\gamma' = \gamma$  we get

$$F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha, \beta : \delta; \delta' \\ \delta : \gamma; \gamma \end{matrix}; \varkappa, y \right] = \Delta(\delta) \Delta(\gamma) {}_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha, \beta \\ \gamma \end{matrix}; \varkappa + y \right] \tag{3.21}$$

Using the result (3.14) in the result (3.9) after putting  $\beta' = \beta$  &  $\gamma' = \gamma$  we get known result (3.2)

#### 4. TWO EXPANSIONS

Using expansion (2. P. 252)

$$F^{(2)} [a; b_1, b'; c, c'; \varkappa, y] = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_r (b)_r (b')_r}{[r]_r (c)_r (c')_r} \varkappa^r y^r {}_2F_1 [a+r, b+r; c+r; \varkappa] {}_2F_1 [a+r, b'+r; c'+r; y] \tag{4.1}$$

in the result (3.9) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla(\gamma) \Delta(\beta') F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha, \beta' : \beta; \gamma \\ \gamma : \beta'; \gamma' \end{matrix}; \varkappa, y \right] \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha)_r (\beta)_r (\beta')_r}{[r]_r (\gamma)_r (\gamma')_r} \varkappa^r y^r {}_2F_1 [\alpha+r; \beta+r; \gamma+r; \varkappa] {}_2F_1 [\alpha+r, \beta'+r; \\ & \quad +r; \gamma'+r; y] \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

Writing the result (3.18) in the form

$$\nabla(\gamma) \Delta(\delta) F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1 \delta : \beta; \beta' \\ \gamma : \delta; \delta \end{matrix}; z, y \right] = F^{(2)} [\alpha; \beta, \beta'; \gamma, \gamma'; z, y]$$

and expanding  $F^{(2)}$  with the help of result (4.1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla(\gamma) \Delta(\delta) F^{(6)} \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha, \delta : \beta; \beta' \\ \gamma : \delta; \delta \end{matrix}; z, y \right] \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha)_r (\beta)_r (\beta')_r}{r! (\gamma)_r (\gamma)_r} x^r y^r {}_2F_1 [\alpha+r, \beta+r; \gamma+r; z] {}_2F_1 [\alpha+r, \beta'+r; \gamma+r; y] \end{aligned}$$

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