

INEQUALITIES INVOLVING H-FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT

Six inequalities involving Fox's *H*-functions are established here with the help of certain known inequalities involving ${}_2F_1$ and ${}_3F_2$. Four inequalities involving Fox's *H*-function and ${}_2F_1$ are obtained as particular cases of the results established.

1. INTRODUCTION

Koti [2] established a number of inequalities involving the hypergeometric functions ${}_2F_1$ and ${}_3F_2$ with the help of certain statistical techniques. The aim of this paper is to establish six inequalities involving Fox's *H*-function by employing three inequalities established by Koti [2] and following the approach adopted in Raina and Koul [3]. As a particular cases of the inequalities established here, four inequalities involving Fox's *H*-functions and ${}_2F_1$ are obtained.

The Fox's *H*-function is defined and represented in the following manner :

$$H_{p,q}^{m,n} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (a_j, \alpha_j)_{1,p} \\ (b_j, \beta_j)_{1,q} \end{matrix} \right. \right] = \frac{1}{2\pi\omega} \int_L \theta(s) x^s ds, \quad \omega = (-1)^{1/2} \dots (1.1)$$

where

$$\theta(s) = \frac{\prod_{j=1}^m \Gamma(b_j - B_j s) \prod_{j=1}^n \Gamma(1 - a_j + \alpha_j s)}{\prod_{j=m+1}^q \Gamma(1 - b_j + \beta_j s) \prod_{j=n+1}^p \Gamma(a_j - \alpha_j s)}$$

For further details, existence and convergence conditions of $H_{p,q}^{m,n} [.]$, we refer to Srivastava et al. [4, pp.10-13].

2. RESULTS REQUIRED

(a) The following inequalities due to Koti [2,pp.391-395, theorem (2.1) and equations (3.5), (4.5)] are required in the sequel :

Let k, m, n and λ be positive integers and let k' be an odd positive integer. Then for $\alpha, \beta > 0$ and $0 < x < 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{2k}{rj} \frac{(1-x)^{-2j}}{(\beta+2k-2j)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \beta+2k-2j, 1-\alpha-2j \\ 1+\beta+2k-2j \end{matrix}; x \right) \\ & \geq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2j+1} \frac{(1-x)^{-2j-1}}{(\beta+2k-2j-1)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \beta+2k-2j-1, -\alpha-2j \\ \beta+2k-2j \end{matrix}; x \right); \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor k'/2 \rfloor} \binom{2k}{2j+1} \frac{1(1-x)^{-2j-1}}{(\beta+k'-2j-2j-1)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \beta+2k-1, -\alpha-2j \\ \beta+k'-2j \end{matrix}; x \right) \\ & \geq \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor k'/2 \rfloor} \binom{k'}{2j} \frac{(1-x)^{-2j}}{(\beta+k'-2j)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \beta+k'-2j, 1-\alpha-2j \\ 1+\beta+k'-2j \end{matrix}; x \right); \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2.2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(-2k)_{2j}}{(2j)!} \frac{(1-x)^{2j}}{(\beta+2j)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \beta+2j, 1-\alpha-m+2j \\ 1+\beta+2j \end{matrix}; x \right) \\ & \geq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{(-2k)_{2j+1}}{(2j+1)!} \frac{(1-x)^{2j+1}}{(\beta+2j+1)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \beta+2j, 2-2-m+2j \\ 2+\beta+2j \end{matrix}; x \right); \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^{\lfloor k'/2 \rfloor} \frac{(-k')_{2j}}{(2j)!} \frac{(1-x)^{2j}}{(\beta+2j)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \beta+2j, 1-\alpha-m+2j \\ 1+\beta+2j \end{matrix}; x \right) \\ & \geq \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor k'/2 \rfloor} \frac{(-k')_{2j+1}}{(2j+1)!} \frac{(1-x)^{2j+1}}{(\beta+2j+1)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \beta+2j+1, 2-\alpha-m+2j \\ 2+\beta+2j \end{matrix}; x \right) \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{2k}{2j} \frac{x^{-2j-1}}{(\gamma-n-2j)_\lambda} {}_3F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, \gamma-\alpha, \gamma-2j-n \\ \gamma-2k-n, \gamma+\lambda-2j-n \end{matrix}; x \right) \\ & \geq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2j+1} \frac{x^{-2j-2}}{(\gamma-n-2j-1)_\lambda} {}_3F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, \gamma-\alpha, \gamma-2j-1-n \\ \gamma-2k-n, \gamma+\lambda-2j-1-n \end{matrix}; x \right) \\ & \gamma > \alpha > n+2k; \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2.5)$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor k'/2 \rfloor} \binom{k'}{2j+1} \frac{x^{-2j-2}}{(\gamma-n-2j-1)_\lambda} {}_3F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, \gamma-\alpha, \gamma-2j-1-n \\ \gamma-k'-n, \gamma+\lambda-2j-1-n \end{matrix}; x \right)$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{[k'/2]} \binom{k'}{2j} \frac{x^{-2j-1}}{(\gamma-n-2j)_\lambda} {}_3F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, \gamma-\alpha, \gamma-2j-n; \\ \gamma-k'-n, \gamma+\lambda-2j-n; \end{matrix} ; x \right),$$

... (2.6)

$\gamma > \alpha > n + k'$.

The results in (2.5) and (2.6) are obtained from Koti [2,p.395, eqn. (4.5)] by choosing α_2, β_2 suitably.

(b) The following integrals are required here :

Gupta and Olkha [1,p.207, eqs. (2.1), (2.2)] :

For $\mu, \nu > 0, \operatorname{Re}(\rho) > 0$

$$\int_0^1 x^{\rho-1} (1-x)^{\alpha-\rho-1} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \alpha, \beta; \\ \gamma; \end{matrix} ; x \right) \left[1 + z \left(\frac{x}{1-x} \right)^\mu \right]^{-\nu} dx$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(\nu)\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\gamma-\beta)} H_{3,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho, \mu), (1-\nu, 1), (\gamma-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\alpha-\rho, \mu), (\gamma-\beta-\rho, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

... (2.7)

$\operatorname{Re}(\alpha + \mu\nu) > \operatorname{Re}(\rho)$;

$$\int_0^1 x^{\rho-1} (1-x)^{\sigma-1} {}_3F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, c_2, c_3; \\ d_1, d_2; \end{matrix} ; x \right) (1 + zx^\mu)^{-\nu} dx$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(\sigma)}{\Gamma(\nu)} \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(-n)_r (c_2)_r (c_3)_r}{(d_1)_r (d_2)_r r!} H_{2,2}^{1,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho-r, \mu), (1-\nu, 1) \\ (0, 1), (1-\rho-\sigma-r, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

... (2.8)

$\operatorname{Re}(\sigma) > 0.$

3. THE MAIN INEQUALITIES

For $\alpha, \beta, \mu, \nu, \sigma, \rho, z > 0$; k, m, n and λ being positive integers and k' an odd positive integer, we have :

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \binom{2k}{2j} H_{3,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho, \mu), (1-\nu, 1), (1+\beta+2k-2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\beta+2k-2j-\rho, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+2k-\rho, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2j+1} H_{3,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho, \mu), (1-\nu, 1), (\beta+2k-2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\beta+2k-2j-\rho-1, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+2k-\rho, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

(3.1)

$$\sum_{j=0}^{[k'/2]} \binom{k'}{2j+1} H_{3,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho, \mu), (1-\nu, 1), (\beta+k'-2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\beta+k'-2j-\rho-1, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+k'-\rho, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{[k'/2]} \binom{k'}{2j} H_{3,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho, \mu), (1-\nu, 1), (1+\beta+k'-2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\beta+k'-2j-\rho, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+k'-\rho, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right];$$

... (3.2)

$$\sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(-2k)_{2j}}{(2j)!} H_{3,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho, \mu), (1-\nu, 1), (1+\beta+2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\beta+2j-\rho, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+m-\rho, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{(-2k)_{2j+1}}{(2j+1)!} H_{3,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho, \mu), (1-\nu, 1), (2+\beta+2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (1+\beta+2j-\rho, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+m-\rho, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right];$$

... (3.3)

$$\sum_{j=1}^{[k'/2]} \frac{(-k')_{2j}}{(2j)!} H_{3,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho, \mu), (1-\nu, 1), (1+\beta+2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\beta+2j-\rho, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+m-\rho, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{[k'/2]} \frac{(-k')_{2j+1}}{(2j+1)!} H_{3,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\rho, \mu), (1-\nu, 1), (2+\beta+2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (1+\beta+2j-\rho, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+m-\rho, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

... (3.4)

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{2k}{2j} \frac{(-n)_r (\gamma-\alpha)_r}{r! (\gamma-2k-n)_r (\gamma-n-2j+r)_\lambda}$$

$$H_{2,2}^{1,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-\gamma-\lambda+n+2j-r, \mu), (1-\gamma, 1) \\ (0, 1), (1-\nu+n+2j-\sigma-r, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{2k}{2j+1} \frac{(-n)_r (\gamma-\alpha)_r}{r! (\gamma-2k-n)_r (\gamma-n-2j-1+r)_\lambda}$$

$$H_{2,2}^{1,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (2-\gamma-\lambda+n+2j-r, \mu), (1-\nu, 1) \\ (0, 1), (2-\gamma-\lambda+n+2j-\sigma-r, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

$$\gamma > \alpha > n + 2k;$$

... (3.5)

$$\sum_{j=0}^{[k'/2]} \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{k'}{2j+1} \frac{(-n)_r (\gamma-\alpha)_r}{r! (r-k'-n)_r (\gamma-n-2j+r-1)_\lambda}$$

$$H_{2,2}^{1,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (2-\gamma-\lambda+n+2j-r, \mu), (1-\nu, 1) \\ (0, 1), (2-\gamma-\lambda+n+2j-\sigma-r, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{[k'/2]} \sum_{v=0}^n \binom{k'}{2j} \frac{(-n)_n (r-\alpha)_r}{r! (r-k-n)_r (r(r-n-2j+r)_\lambda)}$$

$$H_{2,2}^{1,2} \left[z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-r-\lambda+n+2j-r, \mu), (1-nu, 1) \\ (0, 1), (1-r-\lambda+n+2j-\sigma-r, \mu) \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

$$\gamma > \alpha > n + k' \quad \dots (3.6)$$

Outline of proofs. To establish the inequality in (3.1), we first multiply both sides of (2.1) by $x^{\rho-1} (1-x)^{\beta+2k-\rho-1} \left[1+z \left(\frac{x}{1-x} \right)^{\mu} \right]^{-\nu}$, integrate with respect to x between limits 0 to 1 and then use (2.7) to arrive at the desired result in (3.1). The inequality in (3.2) is obtained by multiplying both sides of (2.2) by $x^{\rho-1} (1-x)^{\beta+k'-\rho-1} \left[1+z \left(\frac{x}{1-x} \right)^{\mu} \right]^{-\nu}$ instead and proceeding as above and using (2.7) therein.

The inequalities in (3.3), (3.4), (3.5) and (3.6) are established in a similar manner. We use the multiplying factors

$x^{\rho-1} (1-x)^{\beta-\rho-1} \left[1+z \left(\frac{x}{1-x} \right)^{\mu} \right]^{\nu}$ in (2.3) and (2.4) for (3.3) and (3.4) and $x^{\gamma+\lambda-n} (1-x)^{\sigma-1} \left[1+z \left(\frac{x}{1-x} \right)^{\mu} \right]^{-\nu}$ in (2.5), (2.6) for (3.5), (3.6) and make use of (2.7) and (2.8) respectively therein.

4. PARTICULAR CASES

1. In view of the formula

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{\nu} \right)^{-\nu} = e^{-x},$$

the inequalities in (3.1) and (3.3) reduce respectively to the following :

For $\alpha, \beta, \mu, \sigma, \rho, z > 0$; k, m and λ being positive integers, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{2k}{2j} H_{2,3}^{3,1} \left[z \left| \begin{array}{l} (1-\rho, \mu), (1+\beta+2k-2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\beta+2k-2j-\rho, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+2k-\rho, \mu) \end{array} \right. \right] \\ & \geq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \binom{2k}{2j+1} H_{2,3}^{3,1} \left[z \left| \begin{array}{l} (1-\rho, \mu), (\beta+2k-2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\beta+2k-2j-\rho-1, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+2k-\rho, \mu) \end{array} \right. \right]; \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(-2k)_{2j}}{(2j)!} H_{2,3}^{3,1} \left[z \left| \begin{array}{l} (1-\rho, \mu), (1+\beta+2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (\beta+2j-\rho, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+m-\rho, \mu) \end{array} \right. \right] \\ & \geq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{(-2k)_{2j+1}}{(2j+1)!} H_{2,3}^{3,2} \left[z \left| \begin{array}{l} 1-\rho, \mu, (i+\beta+2j-\rho, \mu) \\ (0, 1), (1+\beta+2j-\rho, \mu), (\alpha+\beta+m-\rho, \mu) \end{array} \right. \right] \end{aligned} \quad \dots (4.2)$$

2. If, in (3.5) and (3.6), we take $\mu = 1 = k'$, these yield respectively the following inequalities involving ${}_2F_1$ in view of the known relation Srivastava et al. [4,p.18, eqn. (2.6.3)] :

For k, n, σ and λ being positive integers and $v, z > 0$, we have :

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{2k}{2j} \frac{(-n)_r (\gamma - \alpha)_r}{r! (\gamma - 2k - n)_r (\gamma - n - 2j + r)_{\lambda + \sigma}}$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{2k}{2j+1} \frac{(-n)_r (\gamma - \alpha)_r}{r! (\gamma - 2k - n)_r (\gamma - n - 2j + r - 1)_{\lambda + \sigma}}$$

$$\cdot {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} r + \lambda - n - 2j + 2, v ; \\ \gamma + \lambda + \sigma - n - 2j + r ; \end{matrix} -z \right)$$

$$\cdot {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \gamma + \lambda - n - 2j + r - 1, v ; \\ \gamma + \lambda + \sigma - n - 2j + r - 1 ; \end{matrix} -z \right).$$

$\gamma > \alpha > n + 2k;$... (4.3)

$$\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(-n)_r (\gamma - \alpha)_r}{r! (\gamma - n - 1)_{r + \lambda + \sigma}} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} r + \lambda - n + r - 1, v ; \\ \gamma + \lambda + \sigma - n + r - 1 ; \end{matrix} -z \right)$$

$$\geq \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(-n)_r (\gamma - \alpha)_r}{r! (\gamma - n - 1)_r (\gamma - n + r)_{\lambda + \sigma}} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \gamma + \lambda - n + r, v ; \\ \gamma + \lambda + \sigma - n + r ; \end{matrix} -z \right),$$

$\gamma > \alpha > n + 1.$... (4.4)

The inequalities in (3.1) to (3.6) and (4.3), (4.4) are also capable of yielding inequalities involving similar H -functions, ${}_1F_1$, ${}_2F_2$ and ${}_3F_2$, but these are not recorded here for lack of space.

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