

**APPLICATIONS OF THE GENERALIZED POLYNOMIALS OF SEVERAL VARIABLES OF SRIVASTAVA AND MULTIVARIABLE  $H$ -FUNCTION OF SRIVASTAVA-PANDA IN BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEMS**

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**ABSTRACT**

In the present paper, we shall employ, multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava and Panda ([14],[15],[16]; also see Srivastava, Gupta and Goyal [17]) and generalized polynomials of several variables of Srivastava [13] in two boundary value problems. First we evaluate an integral involving the product of multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava and Panda ([14],[15],[16]) and generalized polynomials of several variables of Srivastava [13], and then we make its applications to solve following two boundary value problems:

1. a boundary value problem on heat conduction in a finite bar and to establish an expansion formula involving the product of the above multivariable  $H$ -function and the generalized polynomials of several variables.
2. another boundary value problem on electrostatic potential in spherical region.

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**Problem-1 A problem on Heat Conduction in a Finite bar.**

**1. Introduction.** Chandel and Yadava [1] have discussed a problem on heat conduction involving the multiple hypergeometric function of several variables of Srivastava and Daoust ([8],[9],[10]; also see Srivastava and Karlsson [12]). Srivastava, Gupta and Goyal [17] have discussed a problem on heat conduction in a finite bar using  $H$ -function of two variables of Srivastava and Panda ([14],[15],[16]; also see Srivastava, Gupta and Goyal [17]). Further Chandel and Gupta [2] have discussed this problem

involving multiple hypergeometric function of Srivastava and Daoust ([8],[9],[10]; also see Srivastava and Karlsson [12]).

Here in the present paper, we discuss the same problem by employing the product of generalized polynomials of several variables of Srivastava [12] and the multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava and Panda ([14],[15],[16]; also see Srivastava, Gupta and Goyal [17]).

First we evaluate a new integral involving the product of above multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava and Panda [14],[15],[16] and generalized polynomials of several variables of Srivastava [13, p.185, eqn.(7)] defined by

$$(1.1) \quad S_{N_1, \dots, N_r}^{M_1, \dots, M_r}(x_1, \dots, x_r) = \sum_{s_1=0}^{[N_1/M_1]} \dots \sum_{s_r=0}^{[N_r/M_r]} A[N_1, s_1; \dots; N_r, s_r] \frac{(-N_1)_{M_1 s_1}}{s_1!} \dots \frac{(-N_r)_{M_r s_r}}{s_r!} x_1^{s_1} \dots x_r^{s_r}$$

where  $N_1, \dots, N_r; M_1, \dots, M_r$  are arbitrary positive integers and the coefficients  $A[N_1, s_1; \dots; N_r, s_r]$  are arbitrary parameters real or complex independent of  $x_1, \dots, x_r$ . Then we make its applications to solve the problem on heat conduction in a finite bar and to establish an expansion formula involving the product of above generalized polynomials of several variables [13] and the multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava and Panda [14],[15],[16].

**2. Main Integral.** In this section, we evaluate the integral

$$(2.1) \quad \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha-1} (1+x)^{\beta-1} P_m(x) H_{A, C; [B', D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left( \begin{matrix} [(a) : \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}] : \\ [(c) : \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}] : \end{matrix} \right. \\ \left. \begin{matrix} [(b') : \phi'], \dots, [(b^{(n)}) : \phi^{(n)}] ; \\ [(d') : \delta'], \dots, [(d^{(n)}) : \delta^{(n)}] ; \end{matrix} y_1 (1-x)^{\rho_1} (1+x)^{\sigma_1}, \dots, y_n (1-x)^{\rho_n} (1+x)^{\sigma_n} \right) \\ S_{N_1, \dots, N_r}^{M_1, \dots, M_r} [z_1 (1-x)^{\xi_1} (1+x)^{\eta_1}, \dots, z_r (1-x)^{\xi_r} (1+x)^{\eta_r}] dx \\ = 2^{\alpha+\beta-1} \sum_{p=0}^m \frac{(-m)_p (m+1)_p}{(1)_p \Gamma p} 2^p \sum_{k_1=0}^{[N_1/M_1]} \dots \sum_{k_r=0}^{[N_r/M_r]} A[N_1, k_1; \dots; N_r, k_r] \\ \prod_{i=1}^r \frac{(-N_i)_{M_i k_i}}{k_i!} 2^{(\xi_i + \eta_i) k_i} z_i^{k_i} H_{A+2, C+1; [B', D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda+2; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left( \begin{matrix} [(a) : \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}] , \\ [(c) : \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}] \end{matrix} \right),$$

$$[1-\alpha-p-\xi_1 k_1 - \dots - \xi_r k_r : \rho_1, \dots, \rho_n], [1-\beta-\eta_1 k_1 - \dots - \eta_r k_r : \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n]:$$

$$[1-\alpha-\beta-p-(\xi_1 + \eta_1)k_1 - \dots - (\xi_r + \eta_r)k_r : \rho_1 + \sigma_1, \dots, \rho_n + \sigma_n]:$$

$$\left( \begin{matrix} [(b') : \phi'] : \dots : [(b^{(n)}) : \phi^{(n)}] ; 2^{\rho_1 + \sigma_1} y_1, \dots, 2^{\rho_n + \sigma_n} y_n \\ [(d') : \delta'] : \dots : [(d^{(n)}) : \delta^{(n)}] ; \end{matrix} \right),$$

where  $Re(\alpha) > 0, Re(\beta) > 0$ , all  $\rho_i, \sigma_i, y_i (i=1, \dots, n)$  are positive real numbers;  $N_j, M_j (j=1, \dots, r)$  are positive integers and the coefficients  $A[N_1, k_1; \dots; N_r, k_r]$  are arbitrary parameters real or complex independent of  $z_1, \dots, z_r, x; P_k(x)$  are Legendre polynomials while

$$H_{A, C; [B', D'] : \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda; (u', v') : \dots; (u^{(n)}, v^{(n)})}$$

is multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava and Panda ([14],[15],[16]; also see Srivastava, Gupta and Goyal [17]);

$$|arg(y_i(1-x)^{\rho_i}(1+x)^{\sigma_i})| < \frac{\pi}{2} \Delta_i,$$

where

$$\Delta_i = \sum_{j=1}^{\lambda} \theta_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=\lambda+1}^A \theta_j^{(i)} + \sum_{j=1}^{v^{(i)}} \phi_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=v^{(i)+1}^{B^{(i)}}} \phi_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=1}^C \psi_j^{(i)} + \sum_{j=1}^{u^{(i)}} \delta_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=u^{(i)+1}^{D^{(i)}}} \delta_j^{(i)} > 0, i=1, \dots, n.$$

The above integral will be quite useful in our further investigations.

**Proof.** The left hand side of (2.1)

$$= \sum_{k_1=0}^{[N_1/M_1]} \dots \sum_{k_r=0}^{[N_r/M_r]} A[N_1, k_1; \dots; N_r, k_r] \prod_{i=1}^r (-N_i)_{M_i k_i} \frac{z^{k_i}}{k_i!} \dots \frac{z^{k_r}}{k_r!} \frac{1}{(2\pi\omega)^n} \int_{L_1} \dots \int_{L_n}$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{u^{(i)}} \Gamma(d_j^{(i)} - \delta_j^{(i)} s_i) \prod_{j=1}^{v^{(i)}} \Gamma(1 - b_j^{(i)} + \phi_j^{(i)} s_i)}{\prod_{j=u^{(i)+1}^{D^{(i)}}} \Gamma(1 - d_j^{(i)} + \delta_j^{(i)} s_i) \prod_{j=v^{(i)+1}^{B^{(i)}}} \Gamma(b_j^{(i)} - \phi_j^{(i)} s_i) \prod_{j=\lambda+1}^A \Gamma(a_j - \sum_{i=1}^n \theta_j^{(i)} s_i) \prod_{j=1}^C \Gamma(1 - c_j + \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_j^{(i)} s_i)}$$

$$y_1^{s_1} \dots y_n^{s_n} ds_1 \dots ds_n \int_{-1}^1 P_m(x) (1-x)^{\alpha-1+\rho_1 s_1 + \dots + \rho_n s_n + \xi_1 k_1 + \dots + \xi_r k_r} (1+x)^{\beta-1+\sigma_1 s_1 + \dots + \sigma_n s_n + \eta_1 k_1 + \dots + \eta_r k_r} dx$$

which by making an appeal to Erdélyi [7, p. 276(6)]

$$\int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha-1} (1+x)^{\beta-1} P_n(x) dx = 2^{\alpha+\beta-1} B(\alpha, \beta) {}_3F_2 \left[ \begin{matrix} -n, n+1, \alpha; \\ 1, 1+\beta; \end{matrix} \middle| 1 \right]$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-n)_k (n+1)_k \Gamma(\alpha+k)}{k! (1)_k \Gamma(\alpha+\beta+k)}, \operatorname{Re}(\alpha) > 0, \operatorname{Re}(\beta) > 0,$$

gives right hand side of (2.1)

**3 Problem.** In this section, we consider the problem of determining a function  $u(x, t)$  representing the temperature in a nonhomogeneous bar with ends at  $x=-1$  and  $x=1$  in which the thermal conductivity is proportional to  $(1-x^2)$ . Let the lateral surface of the bar be insulated. Thus our problem reduces to solve the equation of heat conduction in one dimension.

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = k \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ (1-x^2) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right],$$

where  $k$  and thermal coefficients both are constants.

**4. Solution of the Problem.** Boundary conditions of the problem are that both ends of the bar at  $x=\pm 1$  are insulated so that conductivity vanishes there and the initial condition is

$$(4.1) \quad u(x, 0) = f(x).$$

Here we may assume the solution of the problem (3.1) in the form:

$$(4.2) \quad u(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n e^{-kn(n+1)t} P_n(x)$$

which is quite justified and for  $t=0$ , reduces to

$$(4.3) \quad u(x, 0) = f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n P_n(x).$$

Now in (4.3), we may choose

$$(4.4) \quad f(x) = (1-x)^{\alpha-1} (1+x)^{\beta-1} H_{A,C; [B', D']}^{0, \lambda; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left[ \begin{matrix} [(a): \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}] : \\ [(c): \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}] : \end{matrix} \right];$$

$$\left[ \begin{matrix} [(b'): \phi']; \dots; [(b^{(n)}): \phi^{(n)}]; \\ [(d'): \delta']; \dots; [(d^{(n)}): \delta^{(n)}]; \end{matrix} \right]; y_1 (1-x_1)^{\rho_1} (1+x)^{\sigma_1}, \dots, y_n (1-x)^{\rho_n} (1+x)^{\sigma_n}$$

$$S_{N_1, \dots, N_r}^{M_1, \dots, M_r} \left[ z_1 (1-x)^{\xi_1} (1+x)^{\eta_1}, \dots, z_r (1-x)^{\xi_r} (1+x)^{\eta_r} \right] dx.$$

Therefore, by making an appeal to (4.3) and (4.4), we have

$$f(x) = (1-x)^{\alpha-1} (1+x)^{\beta-1} H_{A, C: [B', D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda: (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left( \begin{matrix} [(a): \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}] : \\ [(c): \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}] : \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$\left( \begin{matrix} [(b'): \phi'] : \dots; [(b^{(n)}): \phi^{(n)}] : \\ [(d'): \delta'] : \dots; [(d^{(n)}): \delta^{(n)}] : \end{matrix} ; y_1 (1-x_1)^{\rho_1} (1+x)^{\sigma_1}, \dots, y_n (1-x)^{\rho_n} (1+x)^{\sigma_n} \right)$$

$$S_{N_1, \dots, N_r}^{M_1, \dots, M_r} \left[ z_1 (1-x)^{\xi_1} (1+x)^{\eta_1}, \dots, z_r (1-x)^{\xi_r} (1+x)^{\eta_r} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n P_n(x).$$

Now making an appeal to the orthogonal property of Legendre polynomials Erdélyi (7, p. 277 (13)); we derive

$$(4.5) \quad A_m = (2m+1) 2^{\alpha+\beta-2} \sum_{p=0}^m \frac{(-m)_p (m+1)_p}{(p!)^2} 2^{\rho} \sum_{k_1=0}^{[N_1/M_1]} \dots \sum_{k_r=0}^{[N_r/M_r]} A[N_1, k_1; \dots; N_r, k_r]$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^r (-N_i)_{M_i k_i} \frac{2^{(\xi_i + \eta_i) k_i} z_i^{k_i}}{k_i!} H_{A+2, C+1: [B', D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda+2: (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left( \begin{matrix} [(a): \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}] : \\ [(c): \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}] : \end{matrix} \right),$$

$$\left[ 1-\alpha-p-\xi_1 k_1 - \dots - \xi_r k_r : \rho_1, \dots, \rho_n \right] \left[ 1-\beta-\eta_1 k_1 - \dots - \eta_r k_r : \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n \right] : \\ \left[ 1-\alpha-\beta-p-(\xi_1 + \eta_1) k_1 - \dots - (\xi_r + \eta_r) k_r : \rho_1 + \sigma_1, \dots, \rho_n + \sigma_n \right] :$$

$$\left( \begin{matrix} [(b'): \phi'] : \dots; [(b^{(n)}): \phi^{(n)}] : \\ [(d'): \delta'] : \dots; [(d^{(n)}): \delta^{(n)}] : \end{matrix} ; 2^{\rho_1 + \sigma_1} y_1, \dots, 2^{\rho_n + \sigma_n} y_n \right),$$

which is valid if all conditions of (2.1) are satisfied.

Now substituting the value of  $A_n$  from (4.5) in (4.2), we obtain the following required solution of the problem :

$$(4.6) \quad u(x, t) = 2^{\alpha+\beta-2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (2m+1) e^{-m(m+1)kt} P_m(x) \sum_{p=0}^m \sum_{k_1=0}^{[N_1/M_1]} \dots \sum_{k_r=0}^{[N_r/M_r]} A[N_1, k_1; \dots; N_r, k_r]$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^r (-N_i)_{M_i k_i} \frac{2^{(\xi_i + \eta_i) k_i} z_i^{k_i}}{k_i!} H_{A+2, C+1; [B', D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda+2; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left( \begin{matrix} [(a) : \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}] \\ [(c) : \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}] \end{matrix} \right),$$

$$[1 - \alpha - p - \xi_1 k_1 - \dots - \xi_r k_r : \rho_1, \dots, \rho_n] [1 - \beta - \eta_1 k_1 - \dots - \eta_r k_r : \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n] : \\ [1 - \alpha - \beta - p - (\xi_1 + \eta_1) k_1 - \dots - (\xi_r + \eta_r) k_r : \rho_1 + \sigma_1, \dots, \rho_n + \sigma_n] :$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} [(b') : \phi'; \dots; [(b^{(n)}) : \phi^{(n)}] ; \\ [(d') : \delta'; \dots; [(d^{(n)}) : \delta^{(n)}] ; \end{matrix} \right\} 2^{\rho_1 + \sigma_1} y_1, \dots, 2^{\rho_n + \sigma_n} y_n$$

valid if all the conditions of (2.1) are satisfied.

**5. Expansion Formula.** Now making an appeal to (4.3), (4.4) and (4.5), we derive the following expansion formula:

$$(5.1) \quad (1-x)^{\alpha-1} (1+x)^{\beta-1} H_{A, C; [B', D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left( \begin{matrix} [(a) : \theta^1, \dots, \theta^{(n)}] \\ [(c) : \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}] \end{matrix} \right) :$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} [(b') : \phi'; \dots; [(b^{(n)}) : \phi^{(n)}] ; \\ [(d') : \delta'; \dots; [(d^{(n)}) : \delta^{(n)}] ; \end{matrix} \right\} y_1 (1-x_1)^{\rho_1} (1+x)^{\sigma_1}, \dots, y_n (1-x)^{\rho_n} (1+x)^{\sigma_n}$$

$$S_{N_1, \dots, N_r}^{M_1, \dots, M_r} [z_1 (1-x)^{\xi_1} (1+x)^{\eta_1}, \dots, z_r (1-x)^{\xi_r} (1+x)^{\eta_r}] dx$$

$$= 2^{\alpha+\beta-2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{p=0}^m (2m+1) \rho_m(x) \frac{(-m)_p (m+1)_p}{(p!)^2} \sum_{k_1=0}^{[N_1/M_1]} \dots \sum_{k_r=0}^{[N_r/M_r]} A[N_1, k_1; \dots; N_r, k_r]$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^r \frac{(-N_i)_{M_i k_i}}{k_i!} 2^{(\xi_i + \eta_i) k_i} z_i^{k_i} H_{A+2, C+1; [B', D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda+2; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left( \begin{matrix} [(a) : \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}] \\ [(c) : \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}] \end{matrix} \right),$$

$$[1 - \alpha - p - \xi_1 k_1 - \dots - \xi_r k_r : \rho_1, \dots, \rho_n] [1 - \beta - \eta_1 k_1 - \dots - \eta_r k_r : \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n] : \\ [1 - \alpha - \beta - p - (\xi_1 + \eta_1) k_1 - \dots - (\xi_r + \eta_r) k_r : \rho_1 + \sigma_1, \dots, \rho_n + \sigma_n] :$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} [(b') : \phi'; \dots; [(b^{(n)}) : \phi^{(n)}] ; \\ [(d') : \delta'; \dots; [(d^{(n)}) : \delta^{(n)}] ; \end{matrix} \right\} 2^{\rho_1 + \sigma_1} y_1, \dots, 2^{\rho_n + \sigma_n} y_n$$

provided that all the conditions of (2.1) are satisfied.

## Problem 2.

### 6. A Problem on Electrostatic Potential in Spherical Region.

Chandel, Agrawal and Kumar [3] have discussed a problem involving multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava and Panda ([14],[15],[16]; also see Srivastava, Gupta and Goyal [17]). Recently Chandel and Sengar [3] have employed the multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava-Panda and the general class of polynomials of Srivastava [11] in two boundary value problems on

- I. Heat conduction in a rod.
2. Homogeneous wave problem.

Very recently, Chandel and Singh [4] evaluated an integral involving multivariable polynomials of Srivastava [13] and multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava-Panda ([14],[15],[16]) then made its applications to solve two boundary value problems on

- I Heat conduction in a rod
- II Deflection of vibrating string under certain conditions.

Here in this section, we shall make applications of the multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava-Panda ([14],[15],[16]) and the generalized polynomials of several variables of Srivastava [13] to obtain the harmonic function  $V$  representing the electrostatic potential in the domain  $R < c$  such that  $V$  assumes a prescribed value  $F(\theta)$  on the spherical surface  $R=c$ , where  $R, \theta, \phi$  are the spherical polar coordinates and  $V$  is independent of  $\phi$ . Thus  $V$  satisfies Laplace equation

$$(6.1) \quad R \frac{\partial^2(rV)}{\partial R^2} + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} \right) = 0$$

in the domain  $R < c$ ,  $0 \leq \theta < \pi$  and under the condition

$$(6.2) \quad \lim_{R \rightarrow c} V = F(\theta), (0 \leq \theta < \pi, R = c)$$

where  $V$  and its derivatives of first and second orders are assumed to be continuous throughout the interior of the sphere :

$$0 \leq R < c, 0 \leq \theta < \pi.$$

Physically, the function  $V$  may represent steady temperature in a solid sphere  $R \leq c$ , whose surface temperature depends only on  $\theta$  i.e. the surface temperature is uniform over each circle  $\theta = \theta_0$ ,  $R = c$ . Here  $V$  also denote electrostatic potential in the surface  $R < c$  free of charges, for  $V = F(\theta)$  on the boundary  $R = c$ .

If we take  $\cos \theta = x$  ( $0 \leq \theta < \pi$ ), the equation (6.1) reduces to

$$(6.3) \quad R \frac{\partial^2 (RV)}{\partial R^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ (1-x^2) \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \right] = 0, \quad R < c, -1 < x < 1.$$

If we further take  $F(\theta) = f(\cos\theta) = f(x)$ , then  $V(R, x)$  satisfies the transformed equation (6.3), with the boundary conditions

$$(6.4) \quad \lim_{R \rightarrow c} V(R, x) = f(x) \quad (R < c, -1 < x < 1),$$

where  $V$  is continuous every where interior to the sphere and bounded when  $0 \leq R < R_0 < c$ .

$$(6.5) \quad \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} W(R, x) = 0,$$

where  $W$  is harmonic function in the bounded domain  $R > c$ , exterior to the spherical surface and  $RV$  is bounded for large value of  $R$  and for all  $x (-1 \leq x \leq 1)$ .

**7. Formal Solution of the Problem.** We shall obtain formal solution of the above boundary value problem for

$$(7.1) \quad (1-x)^{\alpha-1} (1+x)^{\beta-1} H_{A,C:[B',D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0,\lambda; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left[ \begin{matrix} [(a) : \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}] : \\ [(c) : \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}] : \end{matrix} \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} [(b') : \phi'] : \dots; [(b^{(n)}) : \phi^{(n)}] : \\ [(d') : \delta'] : \dots; [(d^{(n)}) : \delta^{(n)}] : \end{matrix} ; y_1 (1-x_1)^{\rho_1} (1+x)^{\sigma_1}, \dots, y_n (1-x)^{\rho_n} (1+x)^{\sigma_n} \right)$$

$$S_{N_1, \dots, N_r}^{M_1, \dots, M_r} \left[ z_1 (1-x)^{\xi_1} (1+x)^{\eta_1}, \dots, z_r (1-x)^{\xi_r} (1+x)^{\eta_r} \right],$$

where  $H_{A,C:[B',D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0,\lambda; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})}$  is multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava and

Panda ([14,15,16]) and  $S_{N_1, \dots, N_r}^{M_1, \dots, M_r} (z_1, \dots, z_r)$  are Srivastava's generalized polynomials of several variables [13] and  $Re(\alpha) = 0, Re(\beta) = 0$ , all  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n; \mu_1, \dots, \mu_n, \nu_1, \dots, \nu_n$  are positive real numbers;  $f(x)$  and  $f'(x)$  both are assumed to be sectionally continuous over the interval  $(-1,1)$ .

**Case 1. Solution for  $V(R, x)$  when  $R < c$ .** (Interior to the sphere)

In this case solution of the problem is given by



$$(7.2) \quad V(R_1 x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} A_m (R/c)^m P_m(x) \quad (R < c),$$

which by appeal to (6.4) reduces to

$$(7.3) \quad f(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} A_m P_m(x) \quad (R < c),$$

where  $A_m$  is given by (4.5).

Substituting the value of  $A_m$  in (6.2), we derive the following required solution of the problem

$$(7.4) \quad V(R, x) = 2^{\alpha+\beta-2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (2m+1) (R/c)^m P_m(x) \sum_{p=0}^m \sum_{s_1=0}^{[N_1/M_1]} \dots \sum_{s_r=0}^{[N_r/M_r]} \frac{(-m)_p (m+1)_p}{(1)_p p!} 2^p$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^r (-N_i)_{M_i s_i} \frac{z_i^{s_i} 2^{(\xi_i + \eta_i) s_i}}{s_i!} H_{A+2, C+1; [B', D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda+2; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})} \left( \begin{matrix} [(a): \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}], \\ [(c): \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}], \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$\left[ 1 - \alpha - p - \xi_1 k_1 - \dots - \xi_r k_r : \rho_1, \dots, \rho_n \right] \left[ 1 - \beta - \eta_1 k_1 - \dots - \eta_r k_r : \sigma_r, \dots, \sigma_n \right] : \\ \left[ 1 - \alpha - \beta - p - (\xi_1 + \eta_1) k_1 - \dots - (\xi_r + \eta_r) k_r : \rho_1 + \sigma_1, \dots, \rho_n + \sigma_n \right] :$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} [(b'): \phi'] : \dots; [(b^{(n)}): \phi^{(n)}] \\ [(d'): \delta'] : \dots; [(d^{(n)}): \delta^{(n)}] \end{matrix} \right\} 2^{\rho_1 + \sigma_1} y_1, \dots, 2^{\rho_n + \sigma_n} y_n$$

provided that all conditions of (2.1) are satisfied and  $R < c$ .

**Case II. Solution for  $\omega(R, x)$  when  $R \geq c$ . (exterior to the spherical surface)**

In this case, in view of Churchill [6, p. 219, eqn. (12)], we can write the following solution of the problem:

$$(7.5) \quad \omega(R, x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} A_m (c/R)^{m+1} P_m(x), (R \geq c)$$

Substituting the value of  $A_m$  in (7.5), we derive the following solution of the problem

$$(7.6) \quad \omega(R, x) = 2^{\alpha+\beta-2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (2m+1) (c/R)^{(m+1)} P_m(x) \sum_{p=0}^m \frac{(-m)_p (m+1)_p}{(p!)^2} 2^p \\ \sum_{s_1=0}^{[N_1/M_1]} \dots \sum_{s_r=0}^{[N_r/M_r]} A(N_1, s_1; \dots; N_r, s_r) \prod_{i=1}^r (-N_i)_{M_i s_i} \frac{z_i^{s_i} 2^{(\xi_i + \eta_i) s_i}}{s_i!} H_{A+2, C+1; [B', D']; \dots; [B^{(n)}, D^{(n)}]}^{0, \lambda+2; (\mu', \nu'); \dots; (\mu^{(n)}, \nu^{(n)})}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} [(a) : \theta', \dots, \theta^{(n)}], [1 - \alpha - p - \xi_1 k_1 - \dots - \xi_r k_r : \rho_1, \dots, \rho_n] \\ [(c) : \psi', \dots, \psi^{(n)}], [1 - \alpha - \beta - p - (\xi_1 + \eta_1) k_1 - \dots - (\xi_r + \eta_r) k_r : \rho_1 + \sigma_1, \dots, \rho_n + \sigma_n] \\ [1 - \beta - \eta_1 k_1 - \dots - \eta_r k_r : \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n] : [(b') : \phi'] : \dots : [(b^{(n)}) : \phi^{(n)}] ; 2^{\rho_1 + \sigma_1} y_1, \dots, 2^{\rho_n + \sigma_n} y_n \\ [(d') : \delta'] : \dots : [(d^{(n)}) : \delta^{(n)}] ; \end{array} \right),$$

where all conditions of (2.1) are satisfied and  $R \geq c$ .

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