

THE INVERSION OF A CONVOLUTION TRANSFORM WHOSE KERNEL IS A GENERALIZED BATMAN k -FUNCTION

By

T. N. Srivastava

*Department of Mathematics, Concordia University,
7141 Sherbrooke Street West
Montreal, Quebec, Canada H4B 1R6*

(Received : July 31, 1974)

Summary. In the case of some functions it is possible to invert a certain convolution transform by a similar convolution transform. Ta Li [6] and Buschman [3] have proved this for Tchebicheff and Legendre polynomials. In this article we consider a similar problem involving the generalised Bateman k -function [7] as its kernel. The technique used here is that of Widder [8].

1. **Introduction.** The Bateman k -function was first introduced Bateman [1] in the form $k_n(x) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos(x \tan \theta - n\theta) d\theta$ and then by Chakravarty [4] in the form $k_n^u(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} 2^u \cos^u \theta \cos(x \tan \theta - n\theta) d\theta$, where $u > -1$. Recently, Srivastava [7] generalised the function $k_n^u(x)$ of Chakravarty in the form

$$(1.1) \quad k_n^{u,v}(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^u \theta \cos^v \theta \cos(x \tan \theta - n\theta) d\theta$$

and made a systematic study of this function. We will take in general n, u and v to be non-negative integers.

The classical Laplace transform of $f(t)$ as defined by the equation

$$(1.2) \quad F(p) = p \int_0^\infty e^{-pt} f(t) dt, \quad R(p) > 0$$

will be symbolically denoted by $F(p) \div f(t)$.

The following results will be used in the sequel :

$$(1.3) \quad k_{2n}^{2m, 2l}(x) \div 2(-1)^m p^{2m+1} (1-p)^{n-l-m-1} / (1+p)^{n+l+m+1}$$

provided $R(p) > 0$, $(n-l)$ is a positive integer and $(n-l-m-1) > 0$

$$(1.4) \quad e^{-x/2} k_{2n}^{2m, 2l}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \\ = \sum_{r=0}^m (-1)^{n-l-1} \binom{m}{r} \frac{2^{-2l-2r}}{\Gamma(n+l+r+1)} \cdot D^{n-l-r-1} (e^{-x} x^{n+l+r})$$

provided $n > l+m$; $n > -l$ and $2l > -1$.

Also from (1.3) we can deduce

$$(1.5) \quad e^{-x/2} k_{2n}^{2m, 2l}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \\ \div p(2p+1)^{2m} (-1)^{n-l-1} 2^{-2l-2m} \frac{p^{n-l-m}}{(p+1)^{n+l+m+1}}$$

$$(1.6) \quad e^{ax} k_{2n}^{2m, 2l}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \\ \div 2^{2m+2} (-1)^m p(p-a)^{2m} \frac{(1-2p+2a)^{n-l-m-1}}{(1+2p-2a)^{n+l+m+1}}$$

and

$$(1.7) \quad e^{ax} k_{2n}^{2m, 2l}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \\ \div -2^{2m+2} (-1)^m p(p-a)^{2m} \frac{(1+2p-2a)^{n-l-m-1}}{(1-2p+2a)^{n+l+m+1}}$$

being valid under the same conditions as in (1.3).

To prove (1.3) and (1.4) see Srivastava [7].

The object of this paper is to obtain an inversion formula of the convolution transform whose kernel is the generalised Bateman function $k_n^{u, v}(x)$ as defined by (1.1).

2. **Theorem 1.** Let $n > l$, $g(x)$ be a function of x such that its first $(2l+1)$ differential coefficients are continuous in $0 \leq x < \infty$ and vanish at $x=0$, $f(x)$ be a function defined by

$$(2.1) \quad f(x) = \int_0^x e^{a(x-t)} k_{2n}^{2m, 2l} \left[\frac{1}{2}(x-t) \right] g(t) dt$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad F_m^*(p) = 2^{2l} (p-a)^{-4m} (p-a-\frac{1}{2})^{4l+4m+4} F(p)$$

where

$$(2.3) \quad F(p) \doteq f(x)$$

Then $f(x)$ and its $(4l+3)$ differential coefficients with respect to x are continuous in $0 \leq x < \infty$ and vanish at $x=0$, and $g(x)$ is given by

$$(2.4) \quad g(x) = - \int_0^x e^{a(x-t)} k_{2n+4l+4m+4}^{2m, 2l} \left(\frac{t-x}{2} \right) f_m^*(t) dt \text{ where}$$

$f_m^*(x)$ is the inverse Laplace transform of $F_m^*(p)$.

Proof. From (1.1) it is easy to verify

$$(2.5) \quad e^{a(x-t)} k_{2n}^{2m, 2l} \left[\frac{1}{2}(x-t) \right] = e^{(a-\frac{1}{2})(x-t)}$$

$$\sum_{r=0}^m (-1)^r \binom{m}{r} \frac{2^{-2l-2r}}{\Gamma(2n-k)}$$

$$\sum_{v=0}^k \binom{k}{v} (k-2n+1)_v (x-t)^{2n-k-v-1}$$

where $k = n - l - r - 1$.

Since the right-hand side of (2.5) is a polynomial in $(x-t)$ and the lowest degree of $(x-t)$ in this expression is $(2l+1)$, hence the first $2l$ differential coefficients of $e^{a(x-t)} k_{2n}^{2m, 2l} \left[\frac{1}{2}(x-t) \right]$ with respect to x are continuous in $0 \leq x < \infty$ and vanish at $x=t$.

Now differentiating (2.1) μ times with respect to x we obtain

$$(2.6) \quad f^{(\mu)}(x) = \int_0^x D^\mu \left[e^{a(x-t)} k_{2n}^{2m, 2l} \left[\frac{1}{2}(x-t) \right] g(t) \right] dt$$

for $\mu=0, 1, 2, \dots, (2l+1)$.

Since $g(x)$ and its first $(2l+1)$ differential coefficients with respect to x are continuous in $0 \leq x < \infty$ and vanish at $x=0$ it is obvious that on differentiating (2.6) further, $f(x)$ and all its first $(4l+3)$ differential coefficients are also continuous in $0 \leq x < \infty$ and vanish at $x=0$.

Clearly, if $F(p) \div f(t)$, then

$$(2.7) \quad p^s F(p) \div D^s f(x) \quad s=0, 1, 2, \dots, (4l+4).$$

If we assume $G(p) \div g(t)$, then the equation (2.1) is transformed to

$$F(p) = \frac{(-1)^m}{p} \cdot 2^{2m+2} \left[p(p-2)^{2m} \cdot \frac{(1-2p+2a)^{n-l-m-1}}{(1+2p-2a)^{n+l+m+1}} \cdot G(p) \right]$$

which may also be written in the form

$$(2.8) \quad G(p) = \left[(-1)^m 2^{2m+2} \frac{(1+2p-2a)^{n+2l+2m+2-(l+m+1)}}{(1-2p+2a)^{n+2l+2m+2+(l+m+1)}} \right. \\ \left. (p-2a)^{2m} \right] [2^{4l} (p-a)^{-4m} [(p-a-\frac{1}{2})^{4l+4m+4} F(p)]$$

The result (2.4) follows, after a little simplification, on inverting (2.8) with the help of a result of Erdelyi [4, p. 131 (20)] and the equation (2.2).

Theorem 2. Let $n > l$, $g(x)$ be a function of x such that its first $(2l+1)$ differential coefficients with respect to x are continuous in $0 \leq x < \infty$ and vanish at $x=0$, $f(x)$ be a function defined by

$$(2.9) \quad f(x) = \int_0^x e^{a(x-t)} k_{2n+4l+4m+4}^{2m, 2l} \left[\frac{1}{2}(t-x) \right] g(t) dt$$

and

$$(2.10) \quad F_m^*(p) = 2^{4l} (p-a)^{-4m} (p-a-\frac{1}{2})^{4l+4m+4} F(p)$$

where

$$(2.11) \quad F(p) \div f(x)$$

Then $f(x)$ and all its first $(4l+3)$ differential coefficients with respect to x are continuous in $0 \leq x < \infty$ and vanish at $x=0$, and $g(x)$ is given by

$$(2.12) \quad g(x) = - \int_0^{\infty} e^{a(x-t)} k_{2n}^{2m, 2l} \left[\frac{1}{2}(x-t) \right] f_m^*(t)$$

where $f_m^*(x)$ is the inverse Laplace transform of $F_m^*(p)$.

Proof. The proof of this theorem is similar to that of Theorem 1.

Also on using (2.7) we can write

$$(p - a - \frac{1}{2})^{4l+4m+4} F(p) \div (D - a - \frac{1}{2})^{4l+4m+4} f(t)$$

If we take $m=0$ and use the above equation then Theorems 1 and 2 are reduced to the results of Bhartiya [2] for the inversion of a convolution transform whose kernel is the function $k_n^u(x)$ of Chakravarti.

Acknowledgement. The author is extremely grateful to Professor H. M. Srivastava of the University of Victoria for giving valuable suggestions in the preparation of this paper.

REFERENCES

- [1] H. Bateman, *The k-function, a particular case of the confluent hypergeometric function*, Trans. Amer. Math. Soc. 33 (1931), 817-831.
- [2] P. L. Bhartiya, *The inversion of a convolution transform whose kernel is a generalized Bateman's function*, J. Indian Math. Soc. (N. S) 28 (1964), 163-167.
- [3] R. G. Buschman, *An inversion integral for a Legendre transformation*, Amer. Math. Monthly. 69 (1962), 288-289.
- [4] N. K. Chakravarty, *On a generalisation of Bateman's k-function*, Nederl. Akad. Wetensch. Proc. Ser. A 55=Indag. Math. 14 (1952), 63-70.
- [5] A. Erdelyi et al., *Tables of Integral Transforms*, Vol. I, McGraw-Hill, New York, 1954.

- [6] Ta Li, *A New class of integral transforms*; Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. 11 (1960), 290-298.
- [7] T. N. Srivastava, *On the generalized Bateman k-function*, Bull. Calcutta Math. Soc., to appear.
- [8] D. V. Widder, *The inversion of a convolution transform whose kernel is a Laguerre polynomial*, Amer. Math. Monthly. 70 (1963), 291-293.