

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

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**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)  $\mu$  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.

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