

ON SOME CLASSES OF SPECIAL FUNCTIONS

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Abstract. The present paper deals with some classes of special functions which play a crucial part in investigation of weighted boundary value problems for the degenerate elliptic Euler-Poisson-Darboux equation and iterated one.

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1. Introduction

The present paper is devoted to a class of special functions represented in the following integral form

$$M_k(a, b, j, m) := y^{b+m-k-1} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\xi - x)^k \frac{\partial^m \theta^j e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} d\xi, \quad (1)$$

where

$$\theta = \arg(z - \xi), \quad \rho = |z - \xi|^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad j, k, m \in \mathbb{N}^0, \quad z \in \mathbb{R}_+^2, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^1,$$

a and b are complex constants, \mathbb{R}_+^2 is an upper half-plane of the complex plane of the variable $z = x + iy$, \mathbb{R}^1 is the axis of the real numbers,

$$\theta \in [0, \pi], \quad \mathbb{N}^0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\},$$

\mathbb{N} is the set of the natural numbers. \mathbb{N}_1 and \mathbb{N}_2 denote the sets of the odd and even natural numbers, respectively. $\mathbb{N}_2^0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

The above class of special functions plays a crucial part in investigation of weighted boundary value problems for the degenerate elliptic Euler-Poisson-Darboux equation [1,2]

$$E^{(a,b)}u := y(u_{xx} + u_{yy}) + au_x + bu_y = 0$$

and iterated one [1,2]

$$\left(\prod_{k=0}^{n-1} E^{(a_k, b)} \right) u = 0,$$

where $b, a_k, k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$, are, in general, complex constants. When $y = 0$, the above equations have an order degeneration.

2. Main Theorem

Theorem 1. *The function $M_k(a, b, j, m)$ is defined [i.e., the integral (1) exists] and is independent of x, y :*

when

$$\operatorname{Re} b + m - k - 1 > 0 \quad (2)$$

and either $a \neq 0, m \in \mathbb{N}^0$, or $a = 0, j \neq 0, m \in \mathbb{N}^0$, or $a = j = m = 0$, or $a = j = 0, b \neq 0, -2, \dots, -2 \left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2} \right] - 1 \right), m \in \mathbb{N}_2$;

or when

$$\operatorname{Re} b + m - k > 0 \quad (3)$$

and $a = j = 0, b \neq 0, -2, \dots, -2 \left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2} \right] - 1 \right), m \in \mathbb{N}_1$.

If $a = j = 0$, and either $b \in \left\{ 0, -2, \dots, -2 \left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2} \right] - 1 \right) \right\}, m \in \mathbb{N}$, or condition (3) is fulfilled when $m, k \in \mathbb{N}_1$, or (2) is fulfilled when $k \in \mathbb{N}_1, m \in \mathbb{N}_2^0$, then

$$M_k(0, b, 0, m) = 0. \quad (4)$$

Proof. Using the method of mathematical induction, we prove that

$$\frac{\partial^m e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} = \sum_{\kappa=1}^{\left[\frac{m}{2} \right] + 1} B_\kappa(b, m; a(x - \xi), y) e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2(m-\kappa+1)}, \quad (5)$$

where

$$B_1(b, m; a(x - \xi), y) = \prod_{i=1}^m \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(i - 1)]y\}, \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & B_\kappa(b, m; a(x - \xi), y) \\ &= \sum_{\alpha_{\kappa-1}=2\kappa-3}^{m-1} \left(\prod_{j=1}^{\kappa-2} \sum_{\alpha_j=2j-1}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2} \right) \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{\kappa-1} [b + 2(\alpha_k - k)] (\alpha_k - m) \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha_i - i + 1 \\ i=1, 2, \dots, \kappa-1}}^{m-\kappa+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\} \right\}, \quad (7) \\ & \quad \kappa = 2, \dots, \left[\frac{m}{2} \right] + 1, \end{aligned}$$

$$\prod_{j=1}^{\kappa-2} \sum_{\alpha_j=2j-1}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2} := \sum_{\alpha_{\kappa-2}=2\kappa-5}^{\alpha_{\kappa-1}-2} \sum_{\alpha_{\kappa-3}=2\kappa-7}^{\alpha_{\kappa-2}-2} \cdots \sum_{\alpha_2=3}^{\alpha_3-2} \sum_{\alpha_1=1}^{\alpha_2-2} \prod_{j=l}^{l-1} (\cdot) \equiv 1. \quad (8)$$

The last product in (7) we take equal to 1 if none of l are admissible.

Indeed, it is easy to see that (5) is true for $m = 1, \dots, 6$. Now assuming that it takes place for $m = n - 1$ and $m = n$, we prove its validity for

$m = n + 1$. Evidently,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial^{n+1} e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^{n+1}} &= \frac{\partial^n [a(x - \xi) - by] e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2}}{\partial y^n} \\
 [a(x - \xi) - by] \frac{\partial^n e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2}}{\partial y^n} - nb \frac{\partial^{n+1} e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2}}{\partial y^{n+1}} \\
 &= \sum_{\kappa=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} [a(x - \xi) - by] B_\kappa(b + 2, n; a(x - \xi), y) e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2-2(n-\kappa+1)} \\
 &\quad - \sum_{\kappa=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor + 1} nb B_\kappa(b + 2, n - 1; a(x - \xi), y) e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2-2(n-\kappa)} \\
 &= \sum_{\kappa=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} [a(x - \xi) - by] B_\kappa(b + 2, n; a(x - \xi), y) e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2-2(n-\kappa+1)} \\
 &\quad - \sum_{\kappa=2}^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor + 1} nb B_{\kappa-1}(b + 2, n - 1; a(x - \xi), y) e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2-2(n-\kappa+1)} \\
 &= \sum_{\kappa=2}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} \{ [a(x - \xi) - by] B_\kappa(b + 2, n; a(x - \xi), y) \\
 &\quad - nb B_{\kappa-1}(b + 2, n - 1; a(x - \xi), y) e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2-2(n-\kappa+2)} \\
 &\quad + [a(x - \xi) - by] B_1(b + 2, n; a(x - \xi), y) e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2(n+1)} \\
 &\quad + \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } n \in \mathbb{N}_2 \\ -nb B_{\frac{n+1}{2}}(b + 2, n - 1; a(x - \xi), y) e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-n-1}, & \text{for } n \in \mathbb{N}_1. \end{cases} \quad (9)
 \end{aligned}$$

By virtue of (6),

$$\begin{aligned}
 &[a(x - \xi) - by] B_1(b + 2, n; a(x - \xi), y) \\
 &= [a(x - \xi) - by] \prod_{l=0}^n \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2 + 2(l - 1)] y\} \\
 &= \prod_{l=0}^n [a(x - \xi) - (b + 2l)y] = \prod_{l=0}^{n+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)] y\} \\
 &= B_1(b, n + 1; a(x - \xi), y). \quad (10)
 \end{aligned}$$

In view of (7), (8), for $n \in \mathbb{N}_1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &-nb B_{\frac{n+1}{2}}(b + 2, n - 1; a(x - \xi), y) \\
 &= -nb \sum_{\alpha_{\frac{n+1}{2}-1} = n-2}^{n-2} \sum_{\alpha_{\frac{n+1}{2}-2} = n-4}^{n-4} \cdots \sum_{\alpha_2=3}^3 \sum_{\alpha_2=1}^1 \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{\frac{n+1}{2}-1} [b + 2 \right.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +2(\alpha_k - k)(\alpha_k - n + 1) \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha_i - i + 1 \\ i=1, 2, \dots, \frac{n+1}{2} - 1}}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\} \\
& = (-b)n(-b - 2)(n - 2)(-b - 4)(n - 4) \cdots (-b - n + 1) \\
& = (-1)^{\frac{n+1}{2}} n!! \prod_{k=1}^{\frac{n+1}{2}} [b + 2(k - 1)]. \tag{11}
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, because of (7) for $m = n + 1 \in \mathbb{N}_2$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& B_{\frac{n+1}{2}+1}(b, n + 1; a(x - \xi), y) \\
& = \sum_{\alpha_{\frac{n+1}{2}} = n}^n \left(\prod_{j=1}^{\frac{n+1}{2}-1} \sum_{\alpha_j = 2j-1}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2} \right) \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{\frac{n+1}{2}} [b + 2(\alpha_k - k)] (\alpha_k - n - 1) \right. \\
& \quad \times \left. \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha_i - i + 1 \\ i=1, 2, \dots, \frac{n+1}{2}}}^{\frac{n+1}{2}} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\} \right\} \\
& = (-1)^{\frac{n+1}{2}} n!! \prod_{k=1}^{\frac{n+1}{2}} [b + 2(k - 1)], \tag{12}
\end{aligned}$$

since

$$\alpha_{\frac{n+1}{2}-1} = n - 2, \dots, \alpha_2 = 3, \alpha_1 = 1.$$

From the equality of the right hand sides of (11) and (12) there follows the equality of the left hand sides

$$-nbB_{\frac{n+1}{2}}(b + 2, n - 1; a(x - \xi), y) = B_{\frac{n+1}{2}+1}(b, n + 1; a(x - \xi), y). \tag{13}$$

According to (6) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& [a(x - \xi) - by] B_{\kappa}(b + 2, n; a(x - \xi), y) - nbB_{\kappa-1}(b + 2, n - 1; a(x - \xi), y) \\
& = [a(x - \xi) - by] \sum_{\alpha_{\kappa-1} = 2\kappa-3}^{n-1} \left(\prod_{j=1}^{\kappa-2} \sum_{\alpha_j = 2j-1}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2} \right) \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{\kappa-1} [b + 2 + 2(\alpha_k - k)] (\alpha_k - n) \right. \\
& \quad \times \left. \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha_i - i + 1 \\ i=1, 2, \dots, \kappa-1}}^{n-\kappa-1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2 + 2(l - 1)]y\} \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -nb \sum_{\alpha_{k-2}=2\kappa-5}^{n-2} \left(\prod_{j=1}^{\kappa-3} \sum_{\alpha_j=2j-1}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2} \right) \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{\kappa-2} [b+2+2(\alpha_k-k)] (a_k-n+1) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \times \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha_i-i+1 \\ i=1,2,\dots,\kappa-2}}^{n-\kappa+1} \{a(x-\xi) - [b+2+2(l-1)]y\} \right\}, \quad (14)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\kappa = 2, 3, \dots, \left[\frac{n}{2} \right] + 1$$

(we assume that $\prod_{l=p}^q (\cdot) \equiv \prod_{l=p}^q (\cdot)$ for $m < k$ and $\sum \left(\prod_{j=l}^{l-2} (\cdot) \right) \{ \cdot \} \equiv \{ \cdot \}$).

It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \prod_{k=1}^{\kappa-1} [b+2+2(\alpha_k-k)] (a_k-n) \\
 & = \prod_{k=1}^{\kappa-1} [b+2+2(\alpha'_k-k)] (\alpha'_k-n-1), \quad \alpha'_k = \alpha_k + 1; \quad (15)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [a(x-\xi) - by] \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha_i-i+1 \\ i=1,2,\dots,\kappa-1}}^{n-\kappa+1} \{a(x-\xi) - [b+2+2(l-1)]y\} \\
 & = [a(x-\xi) - by] \prod_{\substack{l=2 \\ l \neq \alpha_i-i+2 \\ i=1,2,\dots,\kappa-1}}^{n+1-\kappa+1} \{a(x-\xi) - [b+2(l-1)]y\} \\
 & = \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha_i-i+1 \\ i=1,2,\dots,\kappa-1}}^{n+1-\kappa+1} \{a(x-\xi) - [b+2(l-1)]y\} \quad (16)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -nb \prod_{k=1}^{\kappa-2} [b+2+2(\alpha_k-k)] (\alpha_k-n+1) \\
 & = -nb \prod_{k=2}^{\kappa-1} [b+2+2(\alpha_{k-1}-k+1)] (\alpha_{k-1}-n+1) \\
 & = -nb \prod_{k=2}^{\kappa-1} [b+2(\alpha''_k-k)] (\alpha''_k-n-1), \quad \alpha''_{k+1} = \alpha_k + 2; \quad (17)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha_i - i + 1 \\ i=1,2,\dots,\kappa-2}}^{n-\kappa+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2 + 2(l - 1)]y\} \\
&= \prod_{\substack{l=2 \\ l \neq \alpha_i - i + 2 \\ i=1,2,\dots,\kappa-2}}^{n+1-\kappa+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\} \\
&= \prod_{\substack{l=2 \\ l \neq \alpha''_{i+1} - 1 \\ i=1,2,\dots,\kappa-2}}^{n+1-\kappa+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\} \\
&= \prod_{\substack{l=2 \\ l \neq \alpha''_{i+1} - 1 \\ i=2,\dots,\kappa-1}}^{n+1-k+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\}. \tag{18}
\end{aligned}$$

Substituting (15)-(18) in (14), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& [a(x - \xi) - by] B_{\kappa}(b + 2, n; a(x - \xi), y) - nb B_{\kappa-1}(b + 2, n - 1; a(x - \xi), y) \\
&= \sum_{\alpha'_{\kappa-1}=2\kappa-2}^{n-1} \left(\prod_{j=1}^{\kappa-2} \sum_{\alpha'_j=2j}^{\alpha'_{j+1}-2} \right) \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{\kappa-1} [b + 2(\alpha'_k - k)] (a'_k - n - 1) \right. \\
&\quad \times \left. \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha'_i - i + 1 \\ i=1,2,\dots,\kappa-1}}^{n+1-\kappa+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\} \right\} \\
&+ \sum_{\alpha''_{\kappa-2}=2\kappa-3}^n \left(\prod_{j=1}^{\kappa-3} \sum_{\alpha''_{j+1}=2j+1}^{\alpha''_{j+2}-2} \right) \left\{ -nb \prod_{k=2}^{\kappa-1} [b + 2(\alpha''_k - k)] (a''_k - n - 1) \right. \\
&\quad \times \left. \prod_{\substack{l=2 \\ l \neq \alpha''_i - i + 1 \\ i=2,3,\dots,\kappa-1}}^{n+1-\kappa+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\} \right\}, \tag{19}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\kappa = 2, 3, \dots, \left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil + 1$$

On the other hand, by virtue of (7), if we separate the sum corresponding to $\alpha_1 = 1$, then for $m = m + 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & B_\kappa(b, n + 1; a(x - \xi), y) \\
 &= \sum_{\alpha_{\kappa-1}=2\kappa-2}^n \left(\prod_{j=1}^{\kappa-2} \sum_{\alpha_j=2j}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2} \right) \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{\kappa-1} [b + 2(\alpha_k - k)] (\alpha_k - n - 1) \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha'_i - i + 1 \\ i=1,2,\dots,\kappa-1}}^{n+1-\kappa+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\} \right\} \\
 &+ \sum_{\alpha_{\kappa-1}=2\kappa-3}^n \left(\prod_{j=2}^{\kappa-2} \sum_{\alpha_j=2j-1}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2} \right) \left\{ -nb \prod_{k=2}^{\kappa-1} [b + 2(\alpha_k - k)] (\alpha_k - n - 1) \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \prod_{\substack{l=2 \\ l \neq \alpha'_i - i + 1 \\ i=2,3,\dots,\kappa-1}}^{n+1-\kappa+1} \{a(x - \xi) - [b + 2(l - 1)]y\} \right\}, \quad (20)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\kappa = 2, 3, \dots, \left[\frac{n+1}{2} \right] + 1,$$

since in the first group of sums none of equalities

$$\alpha_j = 2j - 1, \quad j = 2, 3, \dots, \kappa - 1,$$

are possible, otherwise we would obtain that $\alpha_1 = 1$ but such terms we have separated in the second group. Let us note that the last product in (20) begins from $l = 2$ because of $l \neq \alpha_1 - 1 + 1 = \alpha_1 = 1$.

If we compare (19) (where α'_j and α''_j we can denote by α_j) and (20) and take into account that

$$\prod_{j=2}^{\kappa-2} \sum_{\alpha_j=2j-1}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2} \equiv \prod_{j=1}^{\kappa-3} \sum_{\alpha_{j+1}=2j+1}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2}, \quad \kappa \geq 4,$$

from the equality of the right-hand sides there follows the equality of the left-hand sides

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [a(x - \xi) - by] B_\kappa(b + 2, n; a(x - \xi), y) \\
 & - nb B_{\kappa-1}(b + 2, n - 1; a(x - \xi), y) \\
 & = B_\kappa(b, n + 1; a(x - \xi), y), \quad \kappa = 2, 3, \dots, \left[\frac{n}{2} \right] + 1.
 \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Substituting (10), (13), and (21) in (9), we get

$$\frac{\partial^{n+1} e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^{n+1}} - \sum_{\kappa=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor + 1} B_{\kappa}(b, n+1; a(x-\xi), y) e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b-2(n-\kappa+2)}.$$

So, equality (5) is proved.

It is well-known (s. [3], pp. 235-236), that

$$\frac{d^m \arctan \tau}{d\tau^m} = (-1)^{m-1} (m-1) (1-\tau^2)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \sin \left(m \arctan \frac{1}{\tau} \right), \quad \tau \neq 0. \quad (22)$$

But since,

$$\operatorname{arccot} \frac{1}{\tau} = \begin{cases} \arctan \tau & \text{for } \tau > 0; \\ \arctan \tau + \pi & \text{for } \tau < 0, \end{cases}$$

we have

$$\frac{d^m \operatorname{arccot} \frac{1}{\tau}}{d\tau^m} = \frac{d^m \arctan \tau}{d\tau^m}, \quad \tau \neq 0.$$

Introducing y by the relation

$$\tau = \frac{y}{x-\xi}, \quad y > 0, \quad x \neq \xi,$$

where $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^1$ are parameters, in view of (22), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^m \theta}{\partial y^m} &= (x-\xi)^{-m} \frac{\partial^m \theta}{\partial \tau^m} \Big|_{\tau=\frac{y}{x-\xi}} = (x-\xi)^{-m} \frac{\partial^m \arctan \tau}{\partial \tau^m} \Big|_{\tau=\frac{y}{x-\xi}} \\ &= (-1)^{m-1} (m-1)! (x-\xi)^{-m} \left[1 + \frac{y^2}{(x-\xi)^2} \right]^{-\frac{m}{2}} \sin \left(m \arctan \frac{x-\xi}{y} \right) \\ &= (-1)^{m-1} (m-1)! \rho^{-m} [\operatorname{sign}(x-\xi)]^{-m} \sin \left(m \arctan \frac{x-\xi}{y} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

Using (23), by means of the mathematical induction with respect to j we can prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^m \theta^j}{\partial y^m} &= (-1)^{m-j} [\operatorname{sign}(x-\xi)]^{-m} \rho^{-m} \sum_{\kappa_j=0}^m \left(\prod_{k=1}^{j-2} \sum_{\kappa_{k+1}=0}^{\kappa_{k+2}} \right) \left\{ \binom{m}{\kappa_j} \right. \\ &\times \prod_{k=1}^{j-2} \binom{\kappa_{k+2}}{\kappa_{k+1}} (\kappa_2 - 1)! (m - \kappa_j - 1)! \\ &\times \prod_{k=1}^{j-2} (\kappa_{k+2} - \kappa_{k+1} - 1)! \sin \left(\kappa_2 \arctan \frac{x-\xi}{y} \right) \sin \left[(m - \kappa_j) \arctan \frac{x-\xi}{y} \right] \\ &\left. \times \prod_{k=1}^{j-2} \sin \left[(\kappa_{k+2} - \kappa_{k+1}) \arctan \frac{x-\xi}{y} \right] \right\}, \quad j \geq 2. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

According to the Leibnitz formula,

$$\frac{\partial^m \theta^j e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} = \sum_{\kappa=0}^m \binom{m}{\kappa} \frac{\partial^\kappa \theta^j}{\partial y^\kappa} \frac{\partial^{m-\kappa} e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^{m-\kappa}} \quad (25)$$

By virtue of (5)-(7), and (24), it is easy to see that for a fixed z belonging to the closure of an arbitrary bounded domain lying inside \mathbb{R}_+^2 , we have

$$\frac{\partial^m e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} = O(|x - \xi|^{-\text{Re}b-m}), \quad |\xi| \rightarrow +\infty, \quad a \neq 0, \quad (26)$$

$$\frac{\partial^m \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} = \begin{cases} O(|x - \xi|^{-\text{Re}b-2(m-\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor)}), & |\xi| \rightarrow +\infty, \\ 0, & b \in \{0, -2, \dots, -2(m - \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - 1)\}, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}, \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

$$\frac{\partial^m \theta^j}{\partial y^m} = O(|x - \xi|^{-m}), \quad |\xi| \rightarrow +\infty, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (28)$$

After substitution $\xi = x + yt$ formulas (26)-(28) we can rewrite in the following forms

$$\left. \frac{\partial^m e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} \right|_{\xi=x+yt} = O(|t|^{-\text{Re}b-m}), \quad |t| \rightarrow +\infty, \quad a \neq 0; \quad (29)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial^m \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} \right|_{\xi=x+yt} = O(|t|^{-\text{Re}b-2(m-\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor)}), \quad |t| \rightarrow +\infty; \quad (30)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial^m \theta^j}{\partial y^m} \right|_{\xi=x+yt} = O(|t|^{-m}), \quad |t| \rightarrow +\infty, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (31)$$

In view of (26)-(31), in the above mentioned domain from (25) we get

$$\frac{\partial^m \theta^j e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} = \begin{cases} O(|x - \xi|^{-\text{Re}b-m}) = O(|t|^{-\text{Re}b-m}), & |\xi|, |t| \rightarrow +\infty, \\ \text{when either } a \neq 0, m \in \mathbb{N}^0, \text{ or } a = 0, j \neq 0, m \in \mathbb{N}^0, \\ \text{or } a = j = m = 0, \text{ or } a = j = 0, b \neq 0, -2, \dots, -2(m - \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - 1), \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad m \in \mathbb{N}_2; \\ O(|x - \xi|^{-\text{Re}b-m-1}) = O(|t|^{-\text{Re}b-m-1}), & |\xi|, |t| \rightarrow +\infty, \\ \text{when } a = j = 0, b \neq 0, -2, \dots, -2(m - \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - 1), m \in \mathbb{N}_1; \\ 0, & \text{when } a = j = 0, b \in \{0, -2, \dots, -2(m - \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - 1)\}, m \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases} \quad (32)$$

Indeed, the cases $a \neq 0$ and $a = j = m = 0$ are obvious. In the cases $a = j = 0, m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $a = 0, j \neq 0, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we have to take into account

$$2\left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2}\right]\right) = \begin{cases} 2\left(m - \frac{m}{2}\right) = m, & m \in \mathbb{N}_2; \\ 2\left(m - \frac{m-1}{2}\right) = m+1, & m \in \mathbb{N}_1, \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\partial^m \theta^j \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} \right| &= \left| \sum_{\kappa=0}^m \binom{m}{\kappa} \frac{\partial^\kappa \theta^j}{\partial y^\kappa} \cdot \frac{\partial^{m-\kappa} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^{m-\kappa}} \right| \leq \sum_{\kappa=0}^m C_\kappa |x-\xi|^{-\text{Re}b-m-(m-\kappa-2\left[\frac{m-\kappa}{2}\right])} \\ &= \sum_{\kappa=0}^m C_\kappa \begin{cases} |x-\xi|^{-\text{Re}b-m} & \text{for } m-\kappa \in \mathbb{N}_2; \\ |x-\xi|^{-\text{Re}b-m-1} & \text{for } m-\kappa \in \mathbb{N}_1, \end{cases} \\ &\leq C|x-\xi|^{-\text{Re}b-m}, \quad |\xi| \rightarrow +\infty, \quad C, C_\kappa = \text{const}, \end{aligned}$$

respectively.

If

$$a = j = 0, \quad b \in \left\{0, -2, \dots, -2\left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2}\right] - 1\right)\right\} \quad m \in \mathbb{N},$$

then

$$\frac{\partial^m \theta^j e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} = \frac{\partial^m \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} = 0, \quad (33)$$

because of

$$m > 0, 2, \dots, 2\left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2}\right] - 1\right),$$

since

$$2\left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2}\right] - 1\right) = \begin{cases} m-2, & m \in \mathbb{N}_2; \\ m-1, & m \in \mathbb{N}_1. \end{cases} \quad (34)$$

From (34) it is easy to see, that

$$b \in \left\{0, -2, \dots, -2\left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2}\right] - 1\right)\right\}, \quad m \in \mathbb{N},$$

can be rewritten as

$$b = -2n, \quad n = \begin{cases} 0, 1, \dots, \frac{m-2}{2}, & m \in \mathbb{N}_2, \\ 0, 1, \dots, \frac{m-1}{2}, & m \in \mathbb{N}_1. \end{cases}$$

From (27) there follows (4).

By virtue of (5)-(7) and (23), (24), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{\partial^m e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} \right|_{\xi=x+yt} & \\ &= y^{-b-m} \sum_{\kappa=1}^{\left[\frac{m}{2}\right]+1} \tilde{B}_\kappa(b, m; at) e^{a \cdot \text{arc cot}(-t)} (1+t^2)^{-\frac{b}{2}-m+\kappa-1}, \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{B}_1(b, m; at) &= (-1)^m \prod_{l=1}^m [at + b + 2[l - 1]], \\ \tilde{B}_\kappa(b, m; at) &= (-1)^{m-2\kappa+2} \sum_{\alpha_{\kappa-1}=2\kappa-3}^{m-1} \left(\prod_{j=1}^{\kappa-1} \sum_{\alpha_j=2j-1}^{\alpha_{j+1}-2} \right) \left\{ \prod_{k=1}^{\kappa-1} [b + 2(\alpha_k - k)] \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times (m - \alpha_k) \prod_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq \alpha_j - i + 1 \\ i=1, 2, \dots, \kappa-1}}^{m-\kappa+1} [at + b + 2(l - 1)] \right\}, \quad \kappa = 2, 3, \dots, \left[\frac{m}{2} \right] + 1; \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\left. \frac{\partial^m \theta^j}{\partial y^m} \right|_{\xi=x+yt} = \begin{cases} (-1)^{m-j} [\text{sign}(-t)]^{-m} y^{-m} (1+t^2)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \sum_{\kappa_j=0}^m \left(\prod_{k=1}^{j-2} \sum_{\kappa_{k+1}=0}^{\kappa_k+2} \right) \left\{ \binom{m}{\kappa_j} \right. \\ \times \prod_{k=1}^{j-2} \binom{\kappa_{k+2}}{\kappa_{k+1}} (\kappa_2 - 1)! (m - \kappa_j - 1)! \\ \times \prod_{k=1}^{j-2} (\kappa_{k+2} - \kappa_{k+1} - 1)! \sin[\kappa_2 \arctan(-t)] \\ \times \sin[(m - \kappa_j) \arctan(-t)] \\ \times \prod_{k=1}^{j-2} \sin[(\kappa_{k+2} - \kappa_{k+1}) \arctan(-t)] \left. \right\}, \quad j \geq 2; \\ (-1)^{m-1} (m-1)! y^{-m} (1+t^2)^{-\frac{m}{2}} [\text{sign}(-t)]^{-m} \\ \times \sin[m \arctan(-t)], \quad j = 1, \end{cases} \quad (36)$$

respectively.

If (3) is fulfilled and $m, k \in N_1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} M_k(0, b, 0, m) &= y^{b+m-k-1} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\xi - x)^k \frac{\partial^m \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} d\xi = y^{b+m} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} t^k \frac{\partial^m \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} \Big|_{\xi=x+yt} dt = 0, \end{aligned}$$

since the integrand because of (35) is an odd function with respect to t while the integral, in view of (3), is convergent. So, (4) is proved.

After substitution $\xi = x + yt$ the expression (1) will get the following form

$$M_k(a, b, j, m) = y^{b+m} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} t^k \frac{\partial^m \theta^j e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} \Big|_{\xi=x+yt} dt.$$

Hence, by virtue of (25), (35), (36) it is evident that the right-hand side of the last equality and therefore, the function $M_k(a, b, j, m)$ is independent of x, y .

Remark 2. In view of (32), if condition (2) is fulfilled, the function $M_k(a, b, j, m)$ is defined. When

$$a = j = 0, b \neq 0, -2, \dots, -2 \left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2} \right] - 1 \right), m \in \mathbb{N}_1 \quad (37)$$

it is defined under the weaker restriction (3).

3. Particular Classes of Special Functions

Let

$$M_k(a, b, m) := M_k(a, b, 0, m), \quad M(a, b, m) := M_0(a, b, m), \quad (38)$$

$$\Lambda_k(a, b) := M_k(a, 2 - b, 0), \quad \Lambda(a, b) := \Lambda_0(a, b), \quad (39)$$

$$\Lambda^*(a, b) := M_0(a, 2 - b, 1, 0), \quad (40)$$

$$(\alpha, m) := \alpha(\alpha + 1) \cdots (\alpha + m - 1), \quad m > 1; \quad (\alpha, 0) \equiv 1.$$

Theorem 3. Under restrictions of the theorem 1

$$M_k(a, b, j, m + 1) = (k - b - m + 1)M_k(a, b, j, m). \quad (41)$$

The following equalities are valid:

$$M_k(a, b, j, m) = (-1)^m (b - k - 1, m) M_k(a, b, j, 0) \quad (42)$$

and

$$M_k(a, b, m) = (-1)^m (b - k - 1, m) \Lambda_k(a, 2 - b) \quad (43)$$

for $\text{Re} b > 1 + k, k, m \in \mathbb{N}^0$;

$$\Lambda(a, 2 - b - 2m) = \frac{a^2 + (b + 2m)^2}{(b + 2m)(b + 2m + 1)} \Lambda(a, -b - 2m), \quad (44)$$

for $\text{Re} b > 1 - 2m$;

$$M(a, b, m) = \frac{(-1)^m \prod_{\kappa=1}^m \{a^2 + [b + 2(\kappa - 1)]^2\}}{(b + m - 1, m)} \Lambda(a, 2 - b - 2m), \quad (45)$$

when either $\text{Re} b > 1 - m, m \in \mathbb{N}$ or if $a = 0$, when $\text{Re} b > m, m \in \mathbb{N}_1$ (in the last case in (45) $b = 1 - m$ is allowed if the right-hand side we consider as a corresponding limit which will be equal to zero);

$$M(a, b, m) = (-1)^{m-1} (b, m - 1) M(a, b, 1) \quad \text{for } \text{Re} b > 0, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (46)$$

When $a = 0$, $m \in \mathbb{N}_1$ (46) is valid also for $\text{Re}b > -1$.

Proof. Equality (41) can be obtained as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_k(a, b, j, m + 1) &= y^{b+m-k} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\xi - x)^k \frac{\partial^{m+1} \theta^j e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^{m+1}} d\xi \\
 &= y^{b+m-k} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\xi - x)^k \frac{\partial^m \theta^j e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} d\xi \\
 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[y^{b+m-k} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\xi - x)^k \frac{\partial^m \theta^j e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} d\xi \right] \\
 &\quad - (b + m - k) y^{b+m-k-1} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\xi - x)^k \frac{\partial^m \theta^j e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y^m} d\xi \\
 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [y M_k(a, b, j, m)] - (b + m - k) M_k(a, b, j, m) \\
 &= (1 + k - b - m) M_k(a, b, j, m).
 \end{aligned}$$

Using l -times formula (41), when $\text{Re}b + m - l - k - 1 > 0$ (when $a = 0$, $j = 0$, $m - l \in \mathbb{N}_1$, we can take $\text{Re}b + m - l - k > 0$), we get

$$M_k(a, b, j, m) = (2 + k - b - m, l) M_k(a, b, j, m - l).$$

Therefore, in particular, for $j = k = 0$, $l = m - 1$, we obtain (46), because of

$$(2 - b - m, m - 1) = (-1)^{m-1} (b, m - 1),$$

while for $l = m$, we have

$$M_k(a, b, j, m) = (2 + k - b - m, m) M_k(a, b, j, 0) = (-1)^m (b - k - 1, m) M_k(a, b, j, 0),$$

i.e., (42). Hence, we get (43) since

$$M_k(a, b, 0, 0) = M_k(a, b, 0) = \Lambda_k(a, 2 - b).$$

For $\text{Re}b > 1$, $a \neq 0$, using twice integration by parts, we get

$$\Lambda(a, -b) = \int_0^\pi e^{a\theta} \sin^b \theta d\theta = \frac{b(b-1)}{a^2} \Lambda(a, 2-b) - \frac{b^2}{a^2} \Lambda(a, 2-b).$$

Thus,

$$\Lambda(a, 2-b) = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{b(b-1)} \Lambda(a-b).$$

The last remains valid also in the case $a = 0$, what immediately follows from the following equalities

$$\Lambda(0, 2-b) = - \int_0^{\pi} \sin^b \theta d \cot \theta = b \int_0^{\pi} \sin^{b-2} \theta \cos^2 \theta d \theta = b \int_0^{\pi} \sin^{b-2} \theta d \theta - b \int_0^{\pi} \sin^b \theta d \theta.$$

If we replace b by $b + 2m$ we get (44).

When $m = 1$, because of

$$\Lambda_1(a, b) = -\frac{a}{b} \Lambda(a, b) \text{ for } \operatorname{Re} b < 0, \quad (47)$$

evidently,

$$\begin{aligned} M(a, b, 1) &= y^b \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\partial e^{a\theta} \rho^{-b}}{\partial y} d\xi = - \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (at + b) e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} (1 + t^2)^{-\frac{b}{2}-1} dt \\ &= -a \Lambda_1(a, -b) - b \Lambda(a, -b) = -\frac{a^2 + b^2}{b} \Lambda(a, -b), \quad \operatorname{Re} b > 0. \end{aligned}$$

In the case $a = 0$ we can assume $\operatorname{Re} b > -1$. So, formula (45) is true for $m = 1$. Now, we assume its validity for $m = n$ and consider $M(a, b, n + 1)$. By virtue of (41), when $j = k = 0$ and either $\operatorname{Re} b > 1 - n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ or $a = 0$ and $\operatorname{Re} b > -n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M(a, b, n + 1) &= (1 - b - n) M(a, b, n) \\ &= (1 - b - n) \frac{(-1)^n \prod_{\kappa=1}^n \{a^2 + [b + 2(\kappa - 1)]^2\}}{(b + n - 1, n)} \Lambda(a, 2 - b - 2n) \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n+1} \prod_{\kappa=1}^n \{a^2 + [b + 2(\kappa - 1)]^2\}}{(b + n, n - 1)} \Lambda(a, 2 - b - 2n). \end{aligned}$$

Whence, taking into account (44) for $m = n$, we get

$$M(a, b, n + 1) = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{\prod_{\kappa=1}^n \{a^2 + [b + 2(\kappa - 1)]^2\}}{(b + n, n + 1)} \Lambda(a, -b - 2n).$$

But, both the sides of this equality are analytic functions with respect to b when either $\operatorname{Re} b > -n$ or $a = 0$, $\operatorname{Re} b > -n - 1$, $n + 1 \in \mathbb{N}_1$ (in the last case points $b = -n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_2$ are removable points of singularity for the right-hand side), which coincide either for $\operatorname{Re} b > 1 - n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ or in case $a = 0$ for $\operatorname{Re} b > -n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}_1$. Then, according to the uniqueness theorem of analytic function both the sides coincide in the whole domain of their analyticity. \square

It is well known that (s., e.g., [4], pp. 491 and 386):

$$\Lambda_k(a, b) = (-1)^k \frac{2^b \pi e^{\pi(\frac{a}{2} - i\frac{k}{2})} \sum_{n=0}^k \frac{(-1)^n (-k, n) (\frac{a}{2i} + \frac{b}{2}, n)}{(1 + \frac{a}{2i} - \frac{b}{2} - k, n) (1, n)}}{(1 - b - k) \tilde{B}(1 - \frac{a}{2i} - \frac{b}{2}, 1 + \frac{a}{2i} - \frac{b}{2} - k)}, \quad \text{Re } b < 1 - k, \quad (48)$$

$$A(c, b) := \int_0^\pi \cos(c\theta) \sin^{-b} \theta d\theta = \frac{2^b \pi \cos \frac{c\pi}{2}}{(1 - b) \tilde{B}(\frac{2+c-b}{2}, \frac{2-c-b}{2})}, \quad \text{Re } b < 1, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}^1; \quad (49)$$

$$B(c, b) := \int_0^\pi \sin(c\theta) \sin^{-b} \theta d\theta = \frac{2^b \pi \sin \frac{c\pi}{2}}{(1 - b) \tilde{B}(\frac{2+c-b}{2}, \frac{2-c-b}{2})}, \quad \text{Re } b < 1, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}^1; \quad (50)$$

where

$$\tilde{B}(x, y) := \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} dt, \quad \text{Re } x > 0, \quad \text{Re } y > 0,$$

is the Euler Beta function (see [4], pp. 962-964). Evidently, when b and c are real numbers

$$\tilde{B}\left(\frac{2+c-b}{2}, \frac{2-c-b}{2}\right) > 0 \quad \text{for } b < 2 \pm c.$$

Taking into account the last one, from (49) and (50) we conclude that

$$A(2k+1, b) = 0, \quad A(c, b) \neq 0, \quad c \neq 2k+1, \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots;$$

$$B(2k, b) = 0, \quad B(c, b) \neq 0, \quad c \neq 2k, \quad k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots;$$

$$A^2(c, b) + B^2(c, b) = 2^{2b} (1-b)^{-2} \pi^2 \tilde{B}^{-2}\left(\frac{2+c-b}{2}, \frac{2-c-b}{2}\right) > 0.$$

Theorem 4. For complex numbers a, b , and $k \in \mathbb{N}^0$, $\text{Re } b < 1 - k$, the inequality

$$\Lambda_k(a, b) \neq 0$$

is valid if and only if when

$$b - ia, \quad b + ia + 2k \in \mathbb{N}_2, \quad (51)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^k \frac{(-1)^n (-k, n) (\frac{a}{2i} + \frac{b}{2}, n)}{(1, n) (1 + \frac{a}{2i} - \frac{b}{2} - k, n)} \neq 0, +\infty. \quad (52)$$

For $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^1$, $b < 1 - k$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}^0$ we have

$$\Lambda_k(a, b) \begin{cases} > 0, & \text{when either } k \in \mathbb{N}_2^0, \text{ or } a > 0, k \in \mathbb{N}_1; \\ < 0, & \text{when } a < 0, k \in \mathbb{N}_1; \\ = 0, & \text{when } a = 0, k \in \mathbb{N}_1, \end{cases} \quad (53)$$

while, for $k \in \mathbb{N}$ we have

$$(k+1)\Lambda_k(a, -k-1) + a\Lambda_{k+1}(a, -k-1) \begin{cases} > 0, & \text{when either } k \in \mathbb{N}_2, \text{ or } a > 0, k \in \mathbb{N}_1; \\ < 0, & \text{when } a < 0, k \in \mathbb{N}_1; \\ = 0, & \text{when } a = 0, k \in \mathbb{N}_1, \end{cases} \quad (54)$$

Proof. Substituting

$$\tilde{B} \left(1 - \frac{a}{2i} - \frac{b}{2}, 1 + \frac{a}{2i} - \frac{b}{2} - k \right) = \frac{\Gamma \left(1 - \frac{a}{2i} - \frac{b}{2} \right) \Gamma \left(1 + \frac{a}{2i} - \frac{b}{2} - k \right)}{\Gamma(2 - b - k)}$$

in (48) and taking into account that the Euler function

$$\Gamma(z) = \frac{1}{z} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^z \left(1 + \frac{z}{n} \right)^{-1} \right\}$$

[see below (62)] is not equal to zero in the complex plane but the points $z = 0, -1, -2, \dots$, where it has poles (see [5], p. 16), the first part of the theorem becomes clear.

From

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_k(a, b) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} t^k e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} (1+t^2)^{\frac{b}{2}-1} dt \\ &= \int_0^{+\infty} [e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} + (-1)^k e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}t}] t^k (1+t^2)^{\frac{b}{2}-1} dt \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

it is obvious that if $k \in \mathbb{N}_2^0$, then $\Lambda_k(a, b) > 0$; if $a = 0$, $k \in \mathbb{N}_1$, then $\Lambda_k(0, b) = 0$; if $a \neq 0$, then (53) is valid because of inequalities

$$\operatorname{arccot}(-t) > \operatorname{arccot}t \text{ for } t \in]0, +\infty[; \quad (56)$$

$$e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} - e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}t} \begin{cases} > 0, & a > 0; \\ < 0, & a < 0, \end{cases} \quad t \in]0, +\infty[. \quad (57)$$

In view of (55), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &(k+1)\Lambda_k(a, -k-1) + a\Lambda_{k+1}(a, -k-1) \\ &= (k+1) \int_0^{+\infty} [e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} + (-1)^k e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}t}] t^k (1+t^2)^{\frac{k+1}{2}-1} dt \\ &+ a \int_0^{+\infty} [e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} + (-1)^{k+1} e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}t}] t^k (1+t^2)^{\frac{k+1}{2}-1} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Whence, using inequalities (56) and (57) and separately considering the cases: a is arbitrary, $k \in \mathbb{N}_2$; $a > 0$, $k \in \mathbb{N}_1$; $a < 0$, $k \in \mathbb{N}_1$; $a = 0$, $k \in \mathbb{N}_1$ it is easy to see that (54) is valid. \square

Corollary 5. For complex numbers a and b the inequality

$$M(a, b, m) \neq 0$$

is valid if and only if when $2 - b - 2m \pm ia \in \mathbb{N}_2$ and either $\text{Re}b > 1 - m$, $m \in \mathbb{N}^0$, $a^2 + [b + 2(\kappa - 1)]^2 \neq 0$, $\kappa = 1, \dots, m$; or if $a = 0$, when $\text{Re}b > -m$, $m \in \mathbb{N}_1$, $b \neq 0, -2, \dots, -2\left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2}\right] - 1\right)$.

If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^1$ then

$$M(a, b, m) \neq 0$$

when either $a \neq 0$, $b > 1 - m$, $m \in \mathbb{N}^0$; or $a = 0$, $b \neq 0, -2, \dots, -2\left(m - \left[\frac{m}{2}\right] - 1\right)$ and either $b > 1 - m$, $m \in \mathbb{N}_2$ or $b > -m$, $m \in \mathbb{N}_1$.

Proof. According to formula (45) and Theorem 4 it is not difficult to prove the corollary 5. It should be only mentioned that for $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^1$ the numbers $2 - b - 2m \pm ia$ can not be even positive ones, since when $a \neq 0$ they are pure complex numbers, while when $a = 0$ we have $1 - m \leq 0$ and either $1 - b - m < 0$, or $1 - b - m < 1$, i.e, in both the cases $2 - b - 2m < 1$. \square

Theorem 6. For $\text{Re}b < 1 - k$ and $k \geq 2$ we have

$$\Lambda_k(a, b) = -\frac{\Lambda_0(a, b)}{(b, k)} \begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{k-2}{2}} \binom{k}{2j} a^{2j} - a^k, & k \in \mathbb{N}_2; \\ \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{k-3}{2}} \binom{k}{2j+1} a^{2j+1} + a^k, & k \in \mathbb{N}_1 \setminus \{1\}, \end{cases} \quad (58)$$

where $\binom{k}{j}$ are independent of a .

Proof. Let us prove in advance that

$$\Lambda_k(a, b) = \frac{-1}{b + k - 1} [(k - 1)\Lambda_{k-2}(a, b) + a\Lambda_{k-1}(a, b)], \quad (59)$$

$$\text{Re}b < 1 - k, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}_1 \setminus \{1\}.$$

Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Lambda_k(a, b) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} t^{k-1} e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} d \frac{(1+t^2)^{\frac{b}{2}}}{b} \\
&= -\frac{1}{b} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (k-1) t^{k-2} e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} (1+t^2)^{\frac{b}{2}} dt \\
&\quad - \frac{a}{b} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} t^{k-1} e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} (1+t^2)^{\frac{b}{2}-1} dt \\
&= -\frac{k-1}{b} \Lambda_{k-2}(a, b+2) - \frac{a}{b} \Lambda_{k-1}(a, b) \\
&\quad - \frac{k-1}{b} \Lambda_{k-2}(a, b) - \frac{k-1}{b} \Lambda_k(a, b) - \frac{a}{b} \Lambda_{k-1}(a, b), \tag{60}
\end{aligned}$$

since, as it is easy to see,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Lambda_{k-2}(a, b+2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} t^{k-2} e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} (1+t^2)^{\frac{b}{2}} dt \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} t^{k-2} e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} (1+t^2)^{\frac{b}{2}-1} dt \\
&\quad + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} t^k e^{a \cdot \operatorname{arccot}(-t)} (1+t^2)^{\frac{b}{2}-1} dt = \Lambda_{k-2}(a, b) + \Lambda_k(a, b).
\end{aligned}$$

(59) immediately follows from (60).

Because of (59) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\Lambda_2(a, b) &= -\frac{1}{b+1} [\Lambda_0(a, b) + a\Lambda_1(a, b)] \\
&= -\frac{1}{b+1} \left[\Lambda_0(a, b) - \frac{a^2}{b} \Lambda_0(a, b) \right] = -\frac{\Lambda_0(a, b)}{b(b+1)} (b-a^2); \\
\Lambda_3(a, b) &= -\frac{1}{b+1} [2\Lambda_1(a, b) + a\Lambda_2(a, b)] \\
&= -\frac{\Lambda_0(a, b)}{b(b+1)(b+2)} [-a(3b+2) + a^3],
\end{aligned}$$

i.e., formula (58) is true for $k = 2, 3$. Assuming that it is valid for $2, 3, \dots, k$ let us prove its validity for $k+1$.

By virtue of (58) and (59), for $\operatorname{Re} b < -k$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Lambda_{k+1}(a, b) &= -\frac{1}{b+1} [k\Lambda_{k-1}(a, b) + a\Lambda_k(a, b)] \\
 &= -\frac{\Lambda_0(a, b)}{b+k} \left[-\frac{k}{(b, k-1)} \begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{k-3}{2}} \binom{k-1}{2j} a^{2j} - a^{k-1}, & k-1 \in \mathbb{N}_2; \\ \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{k-4}{2}} \binom{k-1}{2j+1} a^{2j+1} + a^{k-1}, & k-1 \in \mathbb{N}_1, \end{cases} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. -\frac{a}{(b, k)} \begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{k-3}{2}} \binom{k}{2j+1} a^{2j+1} + a^k, & k \in \mathbb{N}_1; \\ \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{k-2}{2}} \binom{k}{2j} a^{2j} - a^k, & k \in \mathbb{N}_2, \end{cases} \right] \\
 &= -\frac{\Lambda_0(a, b)}{(b, k+1)} \begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{k-1}{2}} \binom{k+1}{2j} a^{2j} - a^{k+1}, & k \in \mathbb{N}_1, \text{ i.e., } k+1 \in \mathbb{N}_2; \\ \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{k-2}{2}} \binom{k-1}{2j+1} a^{2j+1} + a^{k+1}, & k \in \mathbb{N}_2, \text{ i.e., } k+1 \in \mathbb{N}_1, \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

i.e., formula (59) is valid for $k+1$. \square

Remark 7. It is well known that (see [4], p. 460),

$$\Lambda^*(0, b) = 2^{b-1} \pi^2 \Gamma(1-b) \Gamma^{-2} \left(1 - \frac{b}{2} \right), \quad (61)$$

where

$$\Gamma(z) := \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{z-1} dt, \quad \operatorname{Re} z > 0, \quad (62)$$

is the Euler Gamma function (see [4], pp. 947-951). From (48) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Lambda(0, b) &= \frac{2^b \pi}{1-b} \tilde{B}^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{b}{2}, 1 - \frac{b}{2} \right) = \frac{2^b \pi \Gamma(2-b)}{(1-b) \Gamma^2 \left(1 - \frac{b}{2} \right)} \\
 &= 2^b \pi \Gamma(1-b) \Gamma^{-2} \left(1 - \frac{b}{2} \right), \quad (63)
 \end{aligned}$$

since (see [4], pp. 951 and 964)

$$\Gamma(2-b) = (1-b) \Gamma(1-b) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{B}(a, b) = \frac{\Gamma(a) \Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)} = \tilde{B}(b, a).$$

From (61) and (63) it is easy to conclude that

$$\Lambda^*(0, b) = \frac{\pi}{2} \Lambda(0, b), \quad b < 1. \quad (64)$$

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