

GENERALIZED ELLIPTIC-TYPE INTEGRALS AND ASYMPTOTIC FORMULAS

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Abstract

A number of families of elliptic-type integrals have been studied recently due to their importance and potential for applications in some problems of radiation physics. The object of this work is to present a unified and generalized form of such elliptic-type integrals and to study its properties, including recurrence formulas and asymptotic expansion.

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1. Introduction

Elliptic-type integrals occur in a number of physical problems and often in the form of multiple integrals [1, 2]. For example, the problems dealing with the computation of the radiation field off axis from certain uniform circular disc radiating according to an arbitrary angular distribution law [3], when treated with Legendre polynomials expansion method, give rise to the Epstein and Hubbell [4, 5] family of elliptic-type integrals:

$$\Omega_j(k) = \int_0^\pi (1 - k^2 \cos \theta)^{-j-\frac{1}{2}} d\theta \quad ; \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad (1.1)$$

and $0 \leq k < 1$.

Elliptic integrals (1.1) have been studied and generalized by many authors. Here we select and give a brief review of the most relevant results. A detailed survey of elliptic-type integrals can be found in a recent paper of Al-Zamel and Kalla [6].

Kalla, Conde, and Hubbell [7] have studied a family of integrals of the form

$$R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma) = \int_0^\pi \cos^{2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \sin^{2\mu-2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) (1 - k^2 \cos \theta)^{-\mu-\frac{1}{2}} d\theta, \quad (1.2)$$

where $0 \leq k < 1$, $Re(\gamma) > Re(\alpha) \geq 0$, $Re(\mu) > -\frac{1}{2}$.

The integrals (1.2) generalize the elliptic integrals (1.1) in the sense that

$$R_j \left(k, \frac{1}{2}, 1 \right) = \Omega_j(k), \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad 0 \leq k < 1.$$

Srivastava and Siddiqi [8] gave a unified presentation of certain families of elliptic-type integrals in the form:

$$\Lambda_{(\lambda, \mu)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\rho; k) = \int_0^\pi \cos^{2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \sin^{2\beta-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) (1 - k^2 \cos \theta)^{-\mu-\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 - \rho \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^{-\lambda} d\theta, \quad (1.3)$$

where,

$$0 \leq k < 1, \quad \operatorname{Re}(\alpha), \operatorname{Re}(\beta) > 0, \quad \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}, \quad |\rho| < 1.$$

It can easily be shown that integrals (1.2) and hence (1.1) are special cases of (1.3) by verifying that

$$\Lambda_{(0, \mu)}^{(\alpha, \gamma-\alpha)}(\rho; k) = R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma),$$

$$\Lambda_{(0, j)}^{\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)}(\rho; k) = \Omega_j(k) \quad ; \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

and $0 \leq k < 1$.

In 1996, Kalla and Tuan [9] have defined yet another generalization of elliptic-type integrals of the form

$$\Lambda_{(\lambda, \gamma, \mu)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\rho, \delta; k) = \int_0^\pi \cos^{2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \sin^{2\beta-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) (1 - k^2 \cos \theta)^{-\mu-\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 - \rho \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^{-\lambda} \left(1 + \delta \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^{-\gamma} d\theta, \quad (1.4)$$

where $0 \leq k < 1$, $Re(\alpha), Re(\beta) > 0$, $\lambda, \mu, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}$, and either $|\rho|, |\delta| < 1$ or ρ (or δ) $\in \mathbb{C}$ whenever $\lambda = m$ or $\gamma = -m$, $m \in N_0$, respectively.

Again, elliptic-type integrals defined by equation (1.3) and hence (1.2) and (1.1) are special cases of (1.4) as we can see that

$$\Lambda_{(\lambda, \mu, \gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\rho, 0; k) = \Lambda_{(\lambda, \mu)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\rho; k), \quad (1.5)$$

$$\Lambda_{(0, \gamma, \mu)}^{(\alpha, \gamma - \alpha)}(\rho, 0; k) = \Lambda_{(0, \mu)}^{(\alpha, \gamma - \alpha)}(\rho; k) = R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma), \quad (1.6)$$

$$\Lambda_{(0, 0, j)}^{(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})}(0, 0; k) = R_j\left(k, \frac{1}{2}, 1\right) = \Omega_j(k), \quad j \geq 0. \quad (1.7)$$

In this paper, we present a unified and generalized form of elliptic-type integrals potentially useful in radiation field problems. The generalized family of elliptic-type integrals is expressed in terms of the Lauricella hypergeometric function of n variables $F_D^{(n)}$ [10]. A number of recurrence relations are derived and some special cases are mentioned. We obtain its asymptotic expansion as $k^2 \rightarrow 1$.

2. Definition and Explicit Representation

Here we consider a unified and generalized form of a family of elliptic-type integrals:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) &= Z_{(\gamma_j)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k_j) = Z_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n) \\ &= \int_0^\pi \cos^{2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \sin^{2\beta-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - k_j^2 \cos \theta)^{-\gamma_j} d\theta, \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

where

$$\operatorname{Re}(\alpha), \operatorname{Re}(\beta) > 0, \quad |k_j| < 1, \quad \gamma_j \in \mathbb{C}, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

Special Cases:

Case 1: Let $n = 1$, $k_1 = k$, $\gamma_1 = j + \frac{1}{2}$, and $\alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{2}$ in (2.1). We get

$$Z_{(j+\frac{1}{2})}^{(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})}(k) = \int_0^\pi (1 - k^2 \cos \theta)^{-j-\frac{1}{2}} d\theta = \Omega_j(k), \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad (2.2)$$

where $\Omega_j(k)$ is the Epstein and Hubbell family of elliptic type integrals defined by equation (1.1).

Case 2: Let $n = 1$, $k_1 = k$, $\gamma_1 = \mu + \frac{1}{2}$, and $\beta = \gamma - \alpha$ in (2.1). We get

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{(\mu+\frac{1}{2})}^{(\alpha, \gamma-\alpha)}(k) &= \int_0^\pi \cos^{2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \sin^{2\gamma-2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) (1 - k^2 \cos \theta)^{-\mu-\frac{1}{2}} d\theta \\ &= R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma). \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Case 3: Let $n = 3$, so definition (2.1) will be of the form

$$Z_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k_1, k_2, k_3) = \int_0^\pi \cos^{2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \sin^{2\beta-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) (1 - k_1^2 \cos \theta)^{-\gamma_1}$$

$$(1 - k_2^2 \cos \theta)^{-\gamma_2} (1 - k_3^2 \cos \theta)^{-\gamma_3} d\theta. \quad (2.4)$$

Now, let

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_1 &= \mu + \frac{1}{2}, \quad \gamma_2 = \gamma_3 = \lambda, \quad k = k_1, \\ \rho &= \frac{2k_2^2}{k_2^2 - 1} \Rightarrow k_2^2 = \frac{\rho}{\rho - 2}, \\ \delta &= \frac{-2k_3^2}{k_3^2 + 1} \Rightarrow k_3^2 = \frac{-\delta}{2 + \delta}, \end{aligned}$$

then from (2.4) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{(\mu+\frac{1}{2}, \lambda, \gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)} \left(k, \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\rho - 2}}, \sqrt{\frac{-\delta}{\delta + 2}} \right) &= \left(\frac{2}{2 - \rho} \right)^{-\lambda} \left(\frac{2}{2 + \delta} \right)^{-\gamma} \\ \int_0^\pi \cos^{2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \sin^{2\beta-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) (1 - k^2 \cos \theta)^{-\mu-\frac{1}{2}} &\left(1 - \rho \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^{-\lambda} \left(1 + \delta \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^{-\gamma} d\theta \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{\rho}{2} \right)^\lambda \left(1 + \frac{\delta}{2} \right)^\gamma \Lambda_{(\mu, \lambda, \nu)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\rho, \delta; k). \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) &= \int_0^\pi \cos^{2\alpha-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \sin^{2\beta-1} \left(\frac{\theta}{2} \right) \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - k_j^2 \cos \theta)^{-\gamma_j} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^1 (1 - u)^{\alpha-1} u^{\beta-1} \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \left(1 - \frac{2k_j^2}{k_j^2 - 1} u \right)^{-\gamma_j} du \\ &= \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)} \\ &\frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^1 u^{\beta-1} (1 - u)^{\alpha-1} \prod_{j=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{2k_j^2 u}{k_j^2 - 1} \right)^{-\gamma_j} du. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Hence,

$$Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) = \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - k_j^2)^{-b_j} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}$$

$$F_D^{(n)} \left(\beta; b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n; \alpha + \beta; \frac{2k_1^2}{k_1^2 - 1}, \dots, \frac{2k_n^2}{k_n^2 - 1} \right), \quad (2.7)$$

where $F_D^{(n)}$ is the Lauricella hypergeometric function of n variables [10].

By letting $n = 3$, $k_1 = k$, $k_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\rho-2}}$, $k_3 = \sqrt{\frac{-\delta}{\delta+2}}$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{(\mu+\frac{1}{2}, \lambda, \gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)} \left(k, \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\rho-2}}, \sqrt{\frac{-\delta}{\delta+2}} \right) &= (1-k^2)^{-\mu-\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{\rho}{\rho-2} \right)^{-\lambda} \left(1 + \frac{\delta}{\delta+2} \right)^{-\gamma} \\ &\cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)} F_D^{(3)} \left(\beta; \lambda, \gamma, \mu + \frac{1}{2}; \alpha + \beta; \rho, \frac{\delta}{1+\delta}, \frac{2k^2}{k^2-1} \right) \\ &= (1-k^2)^{-\mu-\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{2}{2-\rho} \right)^{-\lambda} \left(\frac{2(\delta+1)}{\delta+2} \right)^{-\gamma} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)} \\ &F_D^{(3)} \left(\beta; \lambda, \gamma, \mu + \frac{1}{2}; \alpha + \beta; \rho, \frac{\delta}{1+\delta}, \frac{2k^2}{k^2-1} \right) \\ &= \frac{(2-\rho)^\lambda (2+\delta)^\gamma}{2^{\lambda+\gamma} (\delta+1)^\gamma (1-k^2)^{\mu+\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)} \\ &F_D^{(3)} \left(\beta; \lambda, \gamma, \mu + \frac{1}{2}; \alpha + \beta; \rho, \frac{\delta}{1+\delta}, \frac{2k^2}{k^2-1} \right), \quad (2.8) \end{aligned}$$

which agrees with a result of Kalla and Tuan [9].

3. Recurrence Formulas

The following recurrence formulas for $Z_\gamma^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k)$ can be easily derived from the definition (2.1) by suitable rearranging the integrand and using elementary trigonometric identities:

$$Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) = (1+k_i^2) Z_{(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{i+1}, \dots, \gamma_n)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) - 2k_i^2 Z_{(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{i+1}, \dots, \gamma_n)}^{(\alpha+1, \beta)}(k) \quad (3.1)$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

$$Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) = Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha-1, \beta)}(k) - Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha-1, \beta+1)}(k), \quad (3.2)$$

$$Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(k) = Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta-1)}(k) - Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha+1,\beta-1)}(k). \quad (3.3)$$

From (3.2) and (3.3) we get

$$Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha-1,\beta)}(k) - Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha-1,\beta+1)}(k) = Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta-1)}(k) - Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha+1,\beta-1)}(k). \quad (3.4)$$

Let $n = 3$ in (3.1). We get the following result, say, for $i = 1$,

$$Z_{(\gamma_1,\gamma_2,\gamma_3)}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(k_1, k_2, k_3) = (1 + k_1^2) Z_{(\gamma_1+1,\gamma_2,\gamma_3)}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(k_1, k_2, k_3) - 2k_1^2 Z_{(\gamma_1+1,\gamma_2,\gamma_3)}^{(\alpha+1,\beta)}(k_1, k_2, k_3). \quad (3.5)$$

If we set

$$k_1 = k, \quad k_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\rho-2}}, \quad k_3 = \sqrt{\frac{-\delta}{\delta+2}}, \quad \gamma_1 = \mu + \frac{1}{2}, \quad \gamma_2 = \lambda, \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_3 = \gamma,$$

then (3.5) can be rewritten as:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{(\mu+\frac{1}{2},\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta)}\left(k, \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\rho-2}}, \sqrt{\frac{-\delta}{\delta+2}}\right) &= (1 + k^2) Z_{(\mu+\frac{3}{2},\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta)}\left(k, \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\rho-2}}, \sqrt{\frac{-\delta}{\delta+2}}\right) \\ &\quad - 2k^2 Z_{(\mu+\frac{3}{2},\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta)}\left(k, \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\rho-2}}, \sqrt{\frac{-\delta}{\delta+2}}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

To obtain a recurrence relation for $R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma)$, let $n = 1$, $k_1 = k$, $\gamma_1 = \mu + \frac{1}{2}$,

and $\beta = \gamma - \alpha$, then (3.5) leads to

$$Z_{(\mu+\frac{1}{2})}^{(\alpha,\gamma-\alpha)}(k) = (1 + k^2) Z_{(\mu+\frac{3}{2})}^{(\alpha,\gamma-\alpha)}(k) - 2k^2 Z_{(\mu+\frac{3}{2})}^{(\alpha+1,\gamma-\alpha)}(k), \quad (3.7)$$

and by virtue of (2.3) we obtain a known result given by Kalla et al. [7, p.

282, eq. (34)],

$$R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma) = (1 + k^2) R_{\mu+1}(k, \alpha, \gamma) - 2k^2 R_{\mu+1}(k, \alpha + 1, \gamma + 1). \quad (3.8)$$

As a special case of (3.2) for $n = 3$, we mention,

$$\Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\rho, \delta; k) = \Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha-1,\beta)}(\rho, \delta; k) - \Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha-1,\beta+1)}(\rho, \delta; k) \quad (3.9)$$

for the elliptic-type integrals of Kalla and Tuan [9].

Another recurrence formula for $R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma)$ can be deduced from formula (3.9), [7, p.281, eq. (33)],

$$R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma) = R_\mu(k, \alpha - 1, \gamma - 1) - R_\mu(k, \alpha - 1, \gamma). \quad (3.10)$$

For $n = 3$, equation (3.3) reduces to a formula for $\Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\rho, \delta; k)$:

$$\Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta)}(\rho, \delta; k) = \Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta-1)}(\rho, \delta; k) - \Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha+1,\beta-1)}(\rho, \delta; k), \quad (3.11)$$

and the following known result [7, p.281, eq. (32)], can be easily derived:

$$R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma) = R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma - 1) - R_\mu(k, \alpha + 1, \gamma). \quad (3.12)$$

Finally we mention two special cases of (3.4):

$$\Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha-1,\beta)}(\rho, \delta; k) - \Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha-1,\beta+1)}(\rho, \delta; k) = \Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha,\beta-1)}(\rho, \delta; k) - \Lambda_{(\mu,\lambda,\gamma)}^{(\alpha+1,\beta-1)}(\rho, \delta; k), \quad (3.13)$$

and

$$R_\mu(k, \alpha - 1, \gamma - 1) - R_\mu(k, \alpha, \gamma - 1) = R_\mu(k, \alpha - 1, \gamma) - R_\mu(k, \alpha + 1, \gamma). \quad (3.14)$$

4. ASYMPTOTIC EXPANSION FOR $Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k)$

From formula (2.7) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) &= B(\alpha, \beta) \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \\
 &\cdot \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_{n-1}=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta)_{m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}} (\gamma_1)_{m_1} \cdots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{(\alpha + \beta)_{m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}} m_1! \cdots m_{n-1}!} \\
 &\cdot \left(\frac{2k_1^2}{k_1^2 - 1} \right)^{m_1} \cdots \left(\frac{2k_{n-1}^2}{k_{n-1}^2 - 1} \right)^{m_{n-1}} \\
 &{}_2F_1 \left(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}, \gamma_n; \alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}; \frac{2k_n^2}{k_n^2 - 1} \right). \quad (4.1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $\beta - \gamma_n$ be not integer. The analytic continuation formula [1, eq. 15.3.7]

for the Gauss hypergeometric function yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 &{}_2F_1 \left(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}, \gamma_n; \alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}; \frac{2k_n^2}{k_n^2 - 1} \right) \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) \Gamma(\gamma_n - \beta - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1})}{\Gamma(\gamma_n) \Gamma(\alpha)} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^{\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}} \\
 &{}_2F_1 \left(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}, 1 - \alpha; 1 - \gamma_n + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}; \frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right) \\
 &+ \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) \Gamma(\beta - \gamma_n + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})}{\Gamma(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) \Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma_n + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^{\gamma_n} \\
 &{}_2F_1 \left(\gamma_n, 1 + \gamma_n - \alpha - \beta - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1}; 1 + \gamma_n - \beta - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1}; \frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta) \Gamma(\gamma_n - \beta)}{\Gamma(\gamma_n) \Gamma(\alpha)} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^{\beta} \frac{(\alpha + \beta)_{m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}}}{(1 + \beta - \gamma_n)_{m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}}} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^{m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}} \\
 &{}_2F_1 \left(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}, 1 - \alpha; 1 + \beta - \gamma_n + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}; \frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)\Gamma(\beta - \gamma_n)}{\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma_n)} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^{\gamma_n} \frac{(\alpha + \beta)_{m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}} (\beta - \gamma_n)_{m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}}}{(\beta)_{m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}} (\alpha + \beta - \gamma_n)_{m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}}} \\
& {}_2F_1 \left(\gamma_n, 1 + \gamma_n - \alpha - \beta - m_1 - \dots - m_{n-1}; 1 + \gamma_n - \beta - m_1 - \dots - m_{n-1}; \frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_{(\gamma)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) &= \frac{\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma_n - \beta)}{\Gamma(\gamma_n)} (2k_n^2)^{-\beta} (1 - k_n^2)^{\beta - \gamma_n} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \\
& \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{m_{n-1}=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta)_{m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}} (\gamma_1)_{m_1} \dots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{m_1! \dots m_{n-1}! (1 + \beta - \gamma_n)_{m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}}} \left[\frac{k_1^2 (k_n^2 - 1)}{(k_1^2 - 1) k_n^2} \right]^{m_1} \dots \left[\frac{k_{n-1}^2 (k_n^2 - 1)}{(k_{n-1}^2 - 1) k_n^2} \right]^{m_{n-1}} \\
& {}_2F_1 \left(\beta + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}, 1 - \alpha; 1 + \beta - \gamma_n + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}; \frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right) \\
& + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta - \gamma_n)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta - \gamma_n)} (2k_n^2)^{-\gamma_n} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \\
& \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{m_{n-1}=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta - \gamma_n)_{m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}} (\gamma_1)_{m_1} \dots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{(\alpha + \beta - \gamma_n)_{m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}} m_1! \dots m_{n-1}!} \\
& \cdot \left(\frac{2k_1^2}{k_1^2 - 1} \right)^{m_1} \dots \left(\frac{2k_{n-1}^2}{k_{n-1}^2 - 1} \right)^{m_{n-1}} \\
& {}_2F_1 \left(\gamma_n, 1 - \alpha - \beta + \gamma_n - m_1 - \dots - m_{n-1}; 1 - \beta + \gamma_n - m_1 - \dots - m_{n-1}; \frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.3}$$

Let $\gamma_n = \beta - \ell$, $\ell = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Applying formula [1, eq. 15.3.19] we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_2F_1 \left(\beta + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}, \beta - \ell; \alpha + \beta + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}; \frac{2k_n^2}{k_n^2 - 1} \right) \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1})}{\Gamma(\beta + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1})\Gamma(\alpha + \ell + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1})} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^{\beta + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}} \\
& \cdot \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta - \ell)_{r + \ell + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}} (1 - \alpha - \ell - m_1 - \dots - m_{n-1})_{r + \ell + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1}}}{r! (r + \ell + m_1 + \dots + m_{n-1})!}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r \left[\ln(2k^2) - \ln(1 - k^2) + \psi(1 + r + \ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) + \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \psi(1 + r) - \psi(\beta + r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) - \psi(\alpha - r) \right] \\
& \quad + \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^{\beta - \ell} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})}{\Gamma(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})} \\
& \quad \cdot \sum_{r=0}^{\ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - 1} \frac{\Gamma(\ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - r) (\beta - \ell)_r}{\Gamma(\alpha + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} + \ell - r) r!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r \\
& = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\alpha + \ell)} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^\beta \frac{(\alpha + \beta)_{m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}}}{(\beta)_{m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}} (\alpha + \ell)_{m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}}} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^{m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}} \\
& \quad \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - \beta)_\ell (\beta)_{r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}} (1 - \alpha)_r (\alpha)_{\ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}}}{r! (r + \ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r \\
& \quad \left[\ln(2k^2) - \ln(1 - k^2) + \psi(1 + r + \ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) + \psi(1 + r) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - \psi(\beta + r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) - \psi(\alpha - r) \right] + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^{\beta - \ell} \\
& \quad \frac{(\alpha + \beta)_{m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}}}{(\beta)_{m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}}} \sum_{r=0}^{\ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - 1} \frac{(\ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - r - 1)! (\beta - \ell)_r}{(\alpha)_{m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} + \ell - r} r!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.4}$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_{(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{n-1}, \beta - \ell)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) &= (1 - \beta)_\ell (2k_n^2)^{-\beta} (1 - k_n^2)^\ell \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \\
& \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_{n-1}=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\gamma_1)_{m_1} \cdots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{m_1! \cdots m_{n-1}!} \left[\frac{k_1^2 (k_n^2 - 1)}{k_n^2 (k_1^2 - 1)} \right]^{m_1} \cdots \left[\frac{k_{n-1}^2 (k_n^2 - 1)}{k_n^2 (k_{n-1}^2 - 1)} \right]^{m_{n-1}} \\
& \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta)_{r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}} (1 - \alpha)_r}{r! (r + \ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r \left[\ln(2k^2) - \ln(1 - k^2) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \psi(1 + r + \ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) + \psi(1 + r) - \psi(\beta + r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - \psi(\alpha - r) \right] + (2k_n^2)^{\ell - \beta} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_{n-1}=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\gamma_1)_{m_1} \cdots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{m_1! \cdots m_{n-1}!} \\
& \quad \left(\frac{2k_1^2}{k_1^2 - 1} \right)^{m_1} \cdots \left(\frac{2k_{n-1}^2}{k_{n-1}^2 - 1} \right)^{m_{n-1}} \sum_{r=0}^{\ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - 1} \frac{(\beta - \ell)_r (\ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - r - 1)!}{(\alpha)_{m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} + \ell - r} r!}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \cdot \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r = (1 - \beta)_\ell (2k_n^2)^{-\beta} (1 - k_n^2)^\ell \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \\
& \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_{n-1}=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta)_{r+m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}} (1 - \alpha)_r (\gamma_1)_{m_1} \cdots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{(r + \ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})! r! m_1! \cdots m_{n-1}!} \\
& \left[\frac{k_1^2 (k_n^2 - 1)}{k_n^2 (k_1^2 - 1)} \right]^{m_1} \cdots \left[\frac{k_{n-1}^2 (k_n^2 - 1)}{k_n^2 (k_{n-1}^2 - 1)} \right]^{m_{n-1}} \left[\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right]^r [\ln(2k^2) - \ln(1 - k^2) + \psi(1 + r) \\
& + \psi(1 + r + \ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) - \psi(\alpha - r) - \psi(\beta + r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})] \\
& + (2k_n^2)^{\ell - \beta} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \\
& \cdot \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_{n-1}=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^{\ell+m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}-1} \frac{(\ell + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - r - 1)!}{(\alpha)_{m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}+\ell-r}} \\
& \frac{(\beta - \ell)_r (\gamma_1)_{m_1} \cdots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{r! m_1! \cdots m_{n-1}!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r \left(\frac{2k_1^2}{k_1^2 - 1} \right)^{m_1} \cdots \left(\frac{2k_{n-1}^2}{k_{n-1}^2 - 1} \right)^{m_{n-1}}.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.5}$$

Let $\gamma_n = \beta + \ell$, $\ell = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. If $m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} < \ell$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_2F_1 \left(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}, \beta + \ell; \alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}; \frac{2k_n^2}{k_n^2 - 1} \right) \\
& = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})}{\Gamma(\beta + \ell)\Gamma(\alpha)} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^{\beta + \ell} \\
& \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})_{r+\ell-m_1-\cdots-m_{n-1}} (1 - \alpha)_{r+\ell-m_1-\cdots-m_{n-1}}}{r! (r + \ell - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1})!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r \\
& [\ln(2k_n^2) - \ln(1 - k_n^2) + \psi(1 + r) - \psi(\beta + \ell + r) \\
& + \psi(1 + r + \ell - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1}) - \psi(\alpha + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - \ell - r)] \\
& + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})}{\Gamma(\beta + \ell)} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2} \right)^{\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}} \\
& \sum_{r=0}^{\ell - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1} - 1} \frac{(\ell - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1} - r - 1)! (\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})_r}{\Gamma(\alpha - r) r!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.6}$$

If $m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} \geq \ell$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_2F_1\left(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}, \beta + \ell; \alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}; \frac{2k_n^2}{k_n^2 - 1}\right) \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})}{\Gamma(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) \Gamma(\alpha + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - \ell)} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2}\right)^{\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}} \\
&\quad \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta + \ell)_{r+m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}-\ell} (1 + \ell - \alpha - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1})_{r+m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}-\ell}}{r! (r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - \ell)!} \\
&\quad \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2}\right)^r \left[\ln(2k_n^2) - \ln(1 - k_n^2) + \psi(1 + r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - \ell) + \psi(1 + r)\right. \\
&\quad \quad \left. - \psi(\beta + r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) - \psi(\alpha - r)\right] \\
&\quad + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})}{\Gamma(\beta + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1})} \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2}\right)^{\beta + \ell} \\
&\quad \cdot \sum_{r=0}^{m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}-\ell-1} \frac{(m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - \ell - r - 1)! (\beta + \ell)_r}{\Gamma(\alpha + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - \ell - r) r!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2}\right)^r. \quad (4.7)
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned}
& Z_{(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{n-1}, \beta + \ell)}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(k) = (2k_n^2)^{-\beta - \ell} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \\
& \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} < \ell} \frac{(1 - \alpha)_{r+\ell-m_1-\dots-m_{n-1}} (\beta + \ell)_r (\gamma_1)_{m_1} \cdots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{(r + \ell - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1})! r! m_1! \cdots m_{n-1}!} \\
& \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2}\right)^r \left(\frac{2k_1^2}{k_1^2 - 1}\right)^{m_1} \cdots \left(\frac{2k_{n-1}^2}{k_{n-1}^2 - 1}\right)^{m_{n-1}} \left[\ln(2k_n^2) - \ln(1 - k^2) + \psi(1 + r)\right. \\
& \quad \left. + \psi(1 + r + \ell - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1}) - \psi(\beta + \ell + r) - \psi(\alpha + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - \ell - r)\right] \\
& \quad + \frac{(2k_n^2)^{-\beta}}{(\beta)_\ell} (1 - k_n^2)^{-\ell} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \\
& \quad \sum_{r+m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1} < \ell} \frac{(\beta)_{r+m_1+\cdots+m_{n-1}} (1 - \alpha)_r (\ell - m_1 - \cdots - m_{n-1} - r - 1)! (\gamma_1)_{m_1} \cdots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{r! m_1! \cdots m_{n-1}!} \\
& \quad \left(\frac{1 - k_n^2}{2k_n^2}\right)^r \left(\frac{k_1^2 (1 - k_n^2)}{k_n^2 (1 - k_1^2)}\right)^{m_1} \cdots \left(\frac{k_{n-1}^2 (1 - k_n^2)}{k_n^2 (1 - k_{n-1}^2)}\right)^{m_{n-1}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{(2k_n^2)^{-\beta}}{(\beta)_\ell} (k_n^2 - 1)^{-\ell} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m_1+\dots+m_{n-1} \geq \ell} \frac{(\beta)_{r+m_1+\dots+m_{n-1}}}{(r+m_1+\dots+m_{n-1}-\ell)!} \\
& \frac{(1-\alpha)_r (\gamma_1)_{m_1} \cdots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{r! m_1! \cdots m_{n-1}!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r \left(\frac{k_1^2 (k_n^2 - 1)}{k_n^2 (k_1^2 - 1)} \right)^{m_1} \cdots \left(\frac{k_{n-1}^2 (k_n^2 - 1)}{k_n^2 (k_{n-1}^2 - 1)} \right)^{m_{n-1}} \\
& \left[\ln(2k^2) - \ln(1 - k_n^2) + \psi(1 + r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - \ell) + \psi(1 + r) \right. \\
& \left. - \psi(\alpha - r) - \psi(\beta + r + m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1}) \right] + (2k_n^2)^{-\beta-\ell} \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (1 - k_j^2)^{-\gamma_j} \\
& \sum_{m_1+\dots+m_{n-1} \geq \ell} \sum_{r=0}^{m_1+\dots+m_{n-1}-\ell-1} \frac{(m_1 + \cdots + m_{n-1} - \ell - r - 1)!}{(\alpha)_{m_1+\dots+m_{n-1}-\ell-r}} \\
& \frac{(\beta + \ell)_r (\gamma_1)_{m_1} \cdots (\gamma_{n-1})_{m_{n-1}}}{r! m_1! \cdots m_{n-1}!} \left(\frac{k_n^2 - 1}{2k_n^2} \right)^r \left(\frac{2k_1^2}{k_1^2 - 1} \right)^{m_1} \cdots \left(\frac{2k_{n-1}^2}{k_{n-1}^2 - 1} \right)^{m_{n-1}}.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.8}$$

Following the same procedure one can establish asymptotic formulas for other families of elliptic-type integrals.

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