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Neumann expansions for a certain class of generalised multiple hypergeometric series arising in physical and quantum chemical applications

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Abstract. The multivariable hypergeometric function

$$F_{q_0; q_1; \dots; q_n}^{p_0; p_1; \dots; p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{matrix} \right)$$

which was studied recently by Niukkanen and Srivastava, provides an interesting and useful unification of the generalised hypergeometric ${}_pF_q$ function of one variable (with p numerator and q denominator parameters), Appell and Kampé de Fériet's hypergeometric functions of two variables, and Lauricella's hypergeometric functions of n variables, and also of many other classes of hypergeometric series which arise naturally in various physical and quantum chemical applications. Indeed, as already observed by Srivastava, this multivariable hypergeometric function is an obvious special case of the generalised Lauricella hypergeometric function of n variables, which was first introduced and studied systematically by Srivastava and Daoust. By employing such useful connections of this function with much more general multiple hypergeometric functions studied in the literature rather systematically and widely, Srivastava presented several interesting and useful properties of this multivariable hypergeometric function, most of which did not appear in the work of Niukkanen. The object of this sequel to Srivastava's work is to derive a number of new Neumann expansions in series of Bessel functions for the multivariable hypergeometric function from substantially more general expansions involving, for example, multiple series with essentially arbitrary terms. Some interesting special cases of the Neumann expansions presented here are also indicated.

1. Introduction, notations and definitions

We begin by introducing convenient notations and conventions which will be used throughout this paper. First of all, we put

$$\mathbf{a} = (a^1, \dots, a^p) \quad \mathbf{b} = (b^1, \dots, b^q) \tag{1}$$

and

$$\mathbf{a}_j = (a_j^1, \dots, a_j^{p_j}) \quad \mathbf{b}_j = (b_j^1, \dots, b_j^{q_j}) \tag{2}$$

so that \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} are *vectors* with dimensions p and q , respectively, and \mathbf{a}_j and \mathbf{b}_j ($j = 0, 1, \dots, n$) are *vectors* with dimensions p_j and q_j , respectively. Secondly, in terms of the Pochhammer symbol defined by

$$(\lambda)_m = \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + m)}{\Gamma(\lambda)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } m = 0 \\ \lambda(\lambda + 1) \dots (\lambda + m - 1) & \text{if } m = 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{cases} \tag{3}$$

let

$$(\mathbf{a})_m = \prod_{k=1}^p (a^k)_m \quad (\mathbf{b})_m = \prod_{k=1}^q (b^k)_m \tag{4}$$

and

$$(\mathbf{a}_j)_m = \prod_{k=1}^{p_j} (a_j^k)_m \quad (\mathbf{b}_j)_m = \prod_{k=1}^{q_j} (b_j^k)_m. \tag{5}$$

Next we define a generalised hypergeometric function of n variables by

$$\begin{aligned} F_{q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{matrix} \right) &\equiv F_{q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \\ \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; \end{matrix} x_1, \dots, x_n \right) \\ &= \sum_{m_1, \dots, m_n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\mathbf{a}_0)_{m_1+\dots+m_n}}{(\mathbf{b}_0)_{m_1+\dots+m_n}} \prod_{j=1}^n \left\{ \frac{(\mathbf{a}_j)_{m_j} x_j^{m_j}}{(\mathbf{b}_j)_{m_j} m_j!} \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

where, for (absolute) convergence of the multiple hypergeometric series,

$$1 + q_0 + q_k - p_0 - p_k \geq 0 \quad (k = 1, \dots, n). \tag{7}$$

It should be remarked that the equality in (7) holds true provided that, in addition, we have *either*

$$p_0 > q_0 \quad \text{and} \quad |x_1|^{1/(p_0-q_0)} + \dots + |x_n|^{1/(p_0-q_0)} < 1 \tag{8}$$

or

$$p_0 \leq q_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \max\{|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|\} < 1. \tag{9}$$

Furthermore, under certain parametric constraints, the multiple hypergeometric series in (6) also converges when

$$x_k = \pm 1 \quad (k = 1, \dots, n) \tag{10}$$

together, of course, with the equality in (7).

The recent studies by Niukkanen (1983, 1984) and Srivastava (1985a, b) on the multivariable hypergeometric function (6) are motivated by a remarkably large field of physical and quantum chemical applications of such multiple hypergeometric series (see, for numerous other applications, Exton (1976, ch 7 and 8, 1978, ch 7), Carlson (1977), Srivastava and Kashyap (1982), and Srivastava and Karlsson (1985, § 1.7)). Indeed, as already observed by Srivastava (1985a), the multivariable hypergeometric function (6) is an obvious special case of the generalised Lauricella hypergeometric function of n variables, which was first introduced and studied by Srivastava and Daoust (1969, p 454 *et seq*), and this widely and systematically studied (Srivastava-Daoust) generalised Lauricella hypergeometric function has appeared in several subsequent works including, for example, two important books on the subject by Exton (1976, § 3.7, 1978, § 1.4), a book by Srivastava and Manocha (1984, p 64 *et seq*) and a book by Srivastava and Karlsson (1985, p 37 *et seq*); also, a *further* special case of the multivariable hypergeometric function (6) when

$$p_1 = \dots = p_n \quad \text{and} \quad q_1 = \dots = q_n \tag{11}$$

was considered earlier by Karlsson (1973). Srivastava (1985a, b) employed these useful connections of (6) with much more general multiple hypergeometric functions (studied

in the literature rather systematically and widely) in order to present several interesting and useful properties of (6) (including, for example, regions of convergence, reduction and summation formulae, expansion and multiplication theorems, generating functions and operational formulae), most of which did not appear in the work of Niukkanen (1983, 1984). In this sequel to Srivastava (1985a, b) we derive a number of new Neumann expansions in series of the Bessel functions (see, for hypergeometric notations, Slater 1966, ch 2):

$$J_\nu(z) = \frac{(\frac{1}{2}z)^\nu}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} {}_0F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} - \\ \nu+1 \end{matrix}; -\frac{1}{4}z^2 \right] \tag{12a}$$

$$= \frac{(\frac{1}{2}z)^\nu}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} e^{\pm iz} {}_1F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} \nu+\frac{1}{2} \\ 2\nu+1 \end{matrix}; \mp 2iz \right] \tag{12b}$$

and

$$I_\nu(z) = \frac{(\frac{1}{2}z)^\nu}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} {}_0F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} - \\ \nu+1 \end{matrix}; \frac{1}{4}z^2 \right] \tag{13a}$$

$$= \frac{(\frac{1}{2}z)^\nu}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} e^{\pm z} {}_1F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} \nu+\frac{1}{2} \\ 2\nu+1 \end{matrix}; \mp 2z \right] \tag{13b}$$

for the multivariable hypergeometric function (6) from substantially more general expansions involving, for example, multiple series with essentially arbitrary terms. We also consider several interesting special cases of the Neumann expansions presented here.

2. Expansions in series of generalised hypergeometric functions and their applications

For convenience, let $\Delta(l; \lambda)$ abbreviate the array of l parameters:

$$\frac{\lambda}{l}, \frac{\lambda+1}{l}, \dots, \frac{\lambda+l-1}{l} \quad (l = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

so that $\Delta(l; \mathbf{a})$ abbreviates the array of lp parameters (cf equation (1)):

$$\frac{a^i}{l}, \frac{a^i+1}{l}, \dots, \frac{a^i+l-1}{l} \quad (i = 1, \dots, p; l = 1, 2, 3, \dots).$$

Also let

$$\Gamma_m(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{c}; \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{d}) = \frac{(\mathbf{a})_m (\mathbf{c})_m}{(\mathbf{b})_m (\mathbf{d})_m} \quad (m = 0, 1, 2, \dots) \tag{14}$$

where, by analogy with the abbreviations introduced in (1) and (2),

$$\mathbf{c} = (c^1, \dots, c^r) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{d} = (d^1, \dots, d^s) \tag{15}$$

so that \mathbf{c} and \mathbf{d} are *vectors* with dimensions r and s , respectively. Then, from the work of Srivastava (1981) containing several general classes of polynomial expansions for multivariable functions defined by multiple series with essentially arbitrary terms, it

is not difficult to derive the following expansions for the generalised multiple hypergeometric function defined by (6) (cf Srivastava and Karlsson 1985, p 339 *et seq*):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_l(\omega; x_1, \dots, x_n) &\equiv F_{lq+a_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{lp+p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \Delta(l; \mathbf{a}), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \\ \Delta(l; \mathbf{b}), \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; \end{matrix} x_1 \omega^{l(p-q)}, \dots, x_n \omega^{l(p-q)} \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma_m(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{c}; \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{d})}{(\lambda + m)_m} \frac{(-\omega)^m}{m!} {}_{p+r}F_{q+s+1} \left[\begin{matrix} \mathbf{a} + m, \mathbf{c} + m; \\ \lambda + 2m + 1, \mathbf{b} + m, \mathbf{d} + m; \end{matrix} \omega \right] \\ &\quad \times F_{lr+q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{l(2+s)+p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; \lambda + m), \Delta(l; \mathbf{d}), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \\ \Delta(l; \mathbf{c}), \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; \end{matrix} x_1 l^{l(2-r+s)}, \dots, x_n l^{l(2-r+s)} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

$p + r \leq q + s + 2$ (the equality holds true when $|\omega| < 1$);

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_l(\omega; x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \Gamma_m(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{c}; \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{d}) \frac{(-\omega)^m}{m!} {}_{p+r}F_{q+s} \left[\begin{matrix} \mathbf{a} + m, \mathbf{c} + m; \\ \mathbf{b} + m, \mathbf{d} + m; \end{matrix} \omega \right] \\ &\quad \times F_{lr+q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{l(1+s)+p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; \mathbf{d}), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \\ \Delta(l; \mathbf{c}), \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; \end{matrix} x_1 l^{l(1-r+s)}, \dots, x_n l^{l(1-r+s)} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

$p + r \leq q + s + 1$ (the equality holds true when $|\omega| < 1$);

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_l(\omega; x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \beta \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha m + \beta)_{m-1} \Gamma_m(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{c}; \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{d}) \frac{(-\omega)^m}{m!} \\ &\quad \times {}_{p+r+1}F_{q+s} \left[\begin{matrix} (1 - \alpha)m + \beta, \mathbf{a} + m, \mathbf{c} + m; \\ \mathbf{b} + m, \mathbf{d} + m; \end{matrix} \omega \right] \\ &\quad \times F_{l(2+r)+q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{l(2+s)+p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; 1 + \beta/(1 - \alpha)), \Delta(l; \mathbf{d}), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \\ \Delta(l; \beta/(1 - \alpha)), \Delta(l; 1 - \alpha m + \beta), \Delta(l; \mathbf{c}), \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; \end{matrix} x_1 l^{l(s-r)}, \dots, x_n l^{l(s-r)} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

$p + r \leq q + s$ (the equality holds true when $|\omega| < 1$).

It is understood in every case that

$$1 + q_0 + q_k - p_0 - p_k \geq l(p - q) \quad (k = 1, \dots, n) \tag{19}$$

where the equality holds true when the variables $|\omega|$ and $|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|$ are appropriately constrained in accordance with (8) and (9). Furthermore, exceptional parameter values which would render either side invalid or undefined are tacitly excluded.

In view of the principle of confluence exhibited by

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \left[(\lambda)_m \left(\frac{z}{\lambda} \right)^m \right] = z^m = \lim_{\mu \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{(\mu z)^m}{(\mu)_m} \right] \tag{20}$$

for bounded z and $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, the expansion formula (17) can easily be shown to be a limiting case of (16) when we replace ω by $\lambda\omega$ and x_k by x_k/λ^l ($k = 1, \dots, n$), and let $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$. On the other hand, the expansion formula (18) is not contained in (16); indeed, in its special case when $\alpha = 0$, (18) readily yields (17).

Making use of the relationships (12a, b) and (13a, b), each of the general expansions (16), (17) and (18) can be suitably applied to deduce for the multivariable hypergeometric function (6) a number of Neumann expansions in series of Bessel functions $J_\nu(z)$ and $I_\nu(z)$.

Our first set of Neumann expansions for the multivariable hypergeometric function (6) would result from (16) if we set

$$p = q = r = s = 0 \quad \omega = \mp \frac{1}{4}z^2 \quad x_k = (w_k/l)^{2l} \quad (k = 1, \dots, n)$$

and apply the definition (12a) or (13a). We thus obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^\lambda F_{q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (-1)^l (w_1 z/2l)^{2l} \\ \vdots \\ (-1)^l (w_n z/2l)^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) &= \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{(\lambda + 2m)\Gamma(\lambda + m)}{m!} J_{\lambda+2m}(z) \\ &\times F_{q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{2l+p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; \lambda + m), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \right. \\ &\quad \left. \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; w_1^{2l}, \dots, w_n^{2l} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^\lambda F_{q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (w_1 z/2l)^{2l} \\ \vdots \\ (w_n z/2l)^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) &= \sum_{m=0}^\infty (-1)^m \frac{(\lambda + 2m)\Gamma(\lambda + m)}{m!} I_{\lambda+2m}(z) \\ &\times F_{q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{2l+p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; \lambda + m), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \right. \\ &\quad \left. \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; w_1^{2l}, \dots, w_n^{2l} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

If, in the expansion formula (16) (with λ replaced by 2λ), we set

$$p = q = r - 1 = s = 0 \quad c^l = \lambda + \frac{1}{2} \quad \omega = z$$

$$x_k = (w_k/l)^l \quad (k = 1, \dots, n)$$

and apply the definition (13b), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{4}z\right)^\lambda F_{q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (w_1 z/l)^l \\ \vdots \\ (w_n z/l)^l \end{matrix} \right) &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda)}{\Gamma(2\lambda)} e^{z/2} \sum_{m=0}^\infty (-1)^m \frac{(\lambda + m)\Gamma(2\lambda + m)}{m!} I_{\lambda+m}\left(\frac{1}{2}z\right) \\ &\times F_{l+q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{2l+p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; 2\lambda + m), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \right. \\ &\quad \left. \Delta(l; \lambda + \frac{1}{2}), \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; w_1^l, \dots, w_n^l \right). \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

Next we apply the general expansion (17) with

$$p = q = r = s - 1 = 0 \quad d^l = \lambda + 1 \quad \omega = \mp \frac{1}{4}z^2$$

and

$$x_k = (w_k/l)^{2l} \quad (k = 1, \dots, n).$$

Making use of the definition (12a) or (13a), we thus obtain the Neumann expansions:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^\lambda F_{q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (-1)^l (w_1 z/2l)^{2l} \\ \vdots \\ (-1)^l (w_n z/2l)^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) &= \Gamma(\lambda + 1) \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{(\frac{1}{2}z)^m}{m!} J_{\lambda+m}(z) \\ &\times F_{q_0:q_1;\dots;q_n}^{2l+p_0:p_1;\dots;p_n} \left(\Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; \lambda + 1), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \right. \\ &\quad \left. \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; w_1^{2l}, \dots, w_n^{2l} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^\lambda F_{q_0; q_1; \dots; q_n}^{p_0; p_1; \dots; p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (w_1 z/2l)^{2l} \\ \vdots \\ (w_n z/2l)^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) &= \Gamma(\lambda + 1) \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\frac{1}{2}z)^m}{m!} I_{\lambda+m}(z) \\
 &\times F_{q_0; q_1; \dots; q_n}^{2l+p_0; p_1; \dots; p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; \lambda + 1), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; w_1^{2l}, \dots, w_n^{2l} \\ \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n \end{matrix} \right). \tag{25}
 \end{aligned}$$

It should be remarked in passing that a very specialised version of the Neumann expansion (21) when $l=1$ and $p_0=q_0=0$ was given by Niukkanen (1983, p 1823, equation (45)). See also Srivastava (1985a, L230) for the special case $l=1$ of each of the expansion formulae (16), (17) and (18).

3. Further Neumann expansions

Let us recall the familiar result (cf, e.g., Watson 1944, p 147, equation (1))

$$J_\mu(z)J_\nu(z) = \frac{(\frac{1}{2}z)^{\mu+\nu}}{\Gamma(\mu+1)\Gamma(\nu+1)} {}_2F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} \Delta(2; \mu + \nu + 1); -z^2 \\ \mu + 1, \nu + 1, \mu + \nu + 1 \end{matrix} \right] \tag{26}$$

or, equivalently,

$$I_\mu(z)I_\nu(z) = \frac{(\frac{1}{2}z)^{\mu+\nu}}{\Gamma(\mu+1)\Gamma(\nu+1)} {}_2F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} \Delta(2; \mu + \nu + 1); z^2 \\ \mu + 1, \nu + 1, \mu + \nu + 1 \end{matrix} \right] \tag{27}$$

each of which incidentally is an immediate consequence of a well known formula expressing the product (see, for example, Erdélyi *et al* 1953, vol 1, p 185, equation (2))

$${}_0F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} - \\ \rho; z \end{matrix} \right] {}_0F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} - \\ \sigma; z \end{matrix} \right]$$

as a hypergeometric ${}_2F_3$ function. In view of the relationships (26) and (27), we can apply the general expansion (16) in order to derive, for the multivariable hypergeometric function (6), expansions of the Neumann type in series of products of Bessel functions. Thus, if in (16) we write $\lambda = \mu + \nu$ and set

$$\begin{cases} p = q = 0 & r = s = 2 & c^1 = \frac{1}{2}(\mu + \nu + 1) & c^2 = \frac{1}{2}(\mu + \nu + 2) \\ d^1 = \mu + 1 & d^2 = \nu + 1 & \omega = \mp z^2 & x_k = (w_k/l)^{2l} \quad (k = 1, \dots, n) \end{cases}$$

we shall get the expansions

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^{\mu+\nu} F_{q_0; q_1; \dots; q_n}^{p_0; p_1; \dots; p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (-1)^l (w_1 z/l)^{2l} \\ \vdots \\ (-1)^l (w_n z/l)^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) \\
 = \frac{\Gamma(\mu+1)\Gamma(\nu+1)}{\mu+\nu} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\mu+\nu+2m)(\mu+\nu)_m}{m!} J_{\mu+m}(z)J_{\nu+m}(z) \\
 \times F_{q_0; q_1; \dots; q_n}^{2l+p_0; p_1; \dots; p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; \mu + \nu + m), \Delta(l; \mu + 1), \Delta(l; \nu + 1), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \\ \Delta(l; (1 + \mu + \nu)/2), \Delta(l; 1 + (\mu + \nu)/2), \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; \\ w_1^{2l}, \dots, w_n^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) \tag{28}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^{\mu+\nu} F_{q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (w_1 z/l)^{2l} \\ \vdots \\ (w_n z/l)^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\mu+1)\Gamma(\nu+1)}{\mu+\nu} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m \frac{(\mu+\nu+2m)(\mu+\nu)_m}{m!} I_{\mu+m}(z) I_{\nu+m}(z) \\
 &\times F_{2l+q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{4l+p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; \mu+\nu+m), \Delta(l; \mu+1), \Delta(l; \nu+1), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \\ \Delta(l; (1+\mu+\nu)/2), \Delta(l; 1+(\mu+\nu)/2), \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; \\ w_1^{2l}, \dots, w_n^{2l} \end{matrix} \right). \tag{29}
 \end{aligned}$$

In their special cases when $\mu = \nu$, the expansion formulae (28) and (29) simplify considerably and we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^{2\lambda} F_{q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (-1)^l (w_1 z/l)^{2l} \\ \vdots \\ (-1)^l (w_n z/l)^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) = \frac{\lambda[\Gamma(\lambda)]^2}{\Gamma(2\lambda)} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda+m)\Gamma(2\lambda+m)}{m!} [J_{\lambda+m}(z)]^2 \\
 &\times F_{l+q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{3l+p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; 2\lambda+m), \Delta(l; \lambda+1), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \\ \Delta(l; \lambda+\frac{1}{2}), \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; \\ w_1^{2l}, \dots, w_n^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) \tag{30}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^{2\lambda} F_{q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (w_1 z/l)^{2l} \\ \vdots \\ (w_n z/l)^{2l} \end{matrix} \right) \\
 &= \frac{\lambda[\Gamma(\lambda)]^2}{\Gamma(2\lambda)} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m \frac{(\lambda+m)\Gamma(2\lambda+m)}{m!} [I_{\lambda+m}(z)]^2 \\
 &\times F_{l+q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{3l+p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} \Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; 2\lambda+m), \Delta(l; \lambda+1), \mathbf{a}_0: \mathbf{a}_1; \dots; \mathbf{a}_n; \\ \Delta(l; \lambda+\frac{1}{2}), \mathbf{b}_0: \mathbf{b}_1; \dots; \mathbf{b}_n; \\ w_1^{2l}, \dots, w_n^{2l} \end{matrix} \right). \tag{31}
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, for the multivariable hypergeometric function (6) we give an expansion analogous to (30) and (31), but in series of mixed products of the type $J_\nu(z)I_\nu(z)$. Indeed, it is easily seen from the definitions (12a) and (13a) that (cf Luke 1962, p 25, equation (20))

$$J_\nu(z)I_\nu(z) = \frac{(\frac{1}{2}z)^{2\nu}}{[\Gamma(\nu+1)]^2} {}_0F_3 \left[\begin{matrix} \text{---} \\ \Delta(2; \nu+1), \nu+1; -\frac{z^4}{64} \end{matrix} \right] \tag{32}$$

which incidentally is an immediate consequence of a well known formula expressing the product (see, for example, Erdélyi *et al* 1953, vol 1, p 186, equation (3))

$${}_0F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} \text{---} \\ \rho; z \end{matrix} \right] {}_0F_1 \left[\begin{matrix} \text{---} \\ \rho; -z \end{matrix} \right]$$

as a hypergeometric ${}_0F_3$ function. In view of the relationship (32), we now apply the general result (16) with

$$p = q = r = s - 2 = 0 \quad d^1 = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda + 1) \quad d^2 = \frac{1}{2}\lambda + 1$$

$$\omega = -\frac{1}{64}z^4 \quad x_k = (w_k/l)^{4l} \quad (k = 1, \dots, n)$$

and we arrive at the desired expansion formula:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{1}{2}z\right)^{2\lambda} F_{q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\begin{matrix} (-1)^l (w_1 z / 2l\sqrt{2})^{4l} \\ \vdots \\ (-1)^l (w_n z / 2l\sqrt{2})^{4l} \end{matrix} \right) \\ &= \Gamma(\lambda + 1) \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda + 2m)\Gamma(\lambda + m)}{m!} J_{\lambda+2m}(z) I_{\lambda+2m}(z) \\ & \quad \times F_{q_0:q_1:\dots:q_n}^{4l+p_0:p_1:\dots:p_n} \left(\Delta(l; -m), \Delta(l; \lambda + m), \Delta(l; (1 + \lambda)/2), \Delta(l; 1 + \lambda/2), \right. \\ & \quad \left. \begin{matrix} a_0: a_1; \dots; a_n; w_1^{4l}, \dots, w_n^{4l} \\ b_0: b_1; \dots; b_n; \end{matrix} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

For several further applications of the various Neumann expansions presented here to simpler special functions in one and more variables, the interested users of such classes of multiple hypergeometric series as those considered in this paper should refer, for instance, to the works of Bailey (1935), Erdélyi *et al* (1953, vol 2, ch 7), Luke (1962, ch 1 and 7, 1969, ch 9, 1975, p 223 *et seq*), Slater (1960, ch 2), Srivastava (1965, 1966a, b, 1967, 1981), Srivastava and Daoust (1969), Srivastava and Karlsson (1985, § 9.4), Srivastava and Panda (1976a, b) and Watson (1944, ch 5 and 11).

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