

# Some Definite Integrals of the Product of Two Bessel Functions of the Second Kind: (Order Zero)

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**Abstract.** A new integral representation is derived for the expression  $J_0(z)J_0(Z) + Y_0(z) \cdot Y_0(Z)$  and used to evaluate a number of integrals containing  $Y_0(ax)Y_0(bx)$ . A supplementary table of integrals involving the function  $K_0(x)$  in the integrand appears in the microfiche section of this issue.

**Introduction.** There exists a considerable body of information on the subject of integrals of Bessel functions. Of special significance are Chapter XIII of Watson's classic treatise [1] which provides a variety of methods for evaluating such integrals and the excellent book by Luke [2] which provides a thorough summary of results known prior to 1962. In surveying this material, it came as a considerable surprise that fewer than a dozen integrals containing products of Bessel functions of the second kind are known, not even the simplest one,  $\int_0^\infty Y_0(ax)Y_0(bx) dx$ , nor apparently does there exist any literature dealing with this subject. It therefore appeared to be worthwhile to devote some effort to this problem and the results relating to the case of order zero are described herein. Beside their intrinsic interest, such integrals occur, for example, in the study of wave propagation along a coaxial cable.

**Method.** We base our considerations on the integral representation

$$(1) \quad J_0(a)J_0(b) + Y_0(a)Y_0(b) = \frac{8}{\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dx \frac{\cos[(a-b)(x^2+1)^{1/2}]}{(x^2+1)^{1/2}} K_0[2x(ab)^{1/2}]$$

which is valid for positive real  $a$  and  $b$ . Equation (1) can be derived in a variety of ways; the derivation presented here has been chosen because it is short and novel. It can be shown that the Dirac delta distribution has the integral representation [3]

$$(2) \quad \delta(x) = \pi^{-2}x \sinh(\pi x) \int_0^\infty dt t^{-1} K_0(t) K_{tx}(t).$$

Hence, by the Parseval theorem for the Kontorovich-Lebedev transform [4], when both sides exist

$$(3) \quad \int_0^\infty dt t^{-1} K_0(t)f(x) = \frac{\pi}{4} g''(0)$$

where  $g$  is the inverse K-L image of  $f$ . From Eqs. (10)-(16) of reference [5], we obtain

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$$(4) \quad \int_0^\infty dx x \sinh(\pi x) \{ J_{ix}(a) J_{ix}(b) + Y_{ix}(a) Y_{ix}(b) \} K_{2ix}(y) \\ = y(y^2 + 4ab)^{-1/2} \cos\{\frac{1}{2}[(a - b)/(ab)^{1/2}](y^2 + 4ab)^{1/2}\}.$$

Expressing (4) as a K-L transform and applying (3), Eq. (1) results directly, after an elementary substitution.

**Examples.** (A) As an elementary consequence of (1), we find, with  $t^2 = 4ab$ ,  $a - b = 2\alpha(ab)^{1/2}$ ,  $a > b$ ,

$$(5) \quad \int_0^\infty d\alpha F(\alpha) \{ J_0(\frac{1}{2}tc) J_0(\frac{1}{2}td) + Y_0(\frac{1}{2}tc) Y_0(\frac{1}{2}td) \} \\ = \frac{8}{\pi^2} \int_t^\infty dx F_c(x) K_0[(x^2 - t^2)^{1/2}] / (x^2 - t^2)^{1/2}$$

with  $c = (\alpha^2 + 1)^{1/2} + \alpha$ ,  $d = (\alpha^2 + 1)^{1/2} - \alpha$  and where  $F_c$  denotes the Fourier cosine transform of  $F$ . Thus, we find, on taking  $F(\alpha) = \cos(\alpha u)$ ,  $F(\alpha) = (\alpha^2 + u^2)^{-1}$ , respectively,

$$(6) \quad \int_t^\infty dx \cos(x\alpha) \frac{K_0[(x^2 - t^2)^{1/2}]}{(x^2 - t^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{\pi^2}{8} \{ J_0(\frac{1}{2}tc) J_0(\frac{1}{2}td) + Y_0(\frac{1}{2}tc) Y_0(\frac{1}{2}td) \},$$

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{x^2 + \alpha^2} \{ J_0[t[(x^2 + 1)^{1/2} + x]] J_0[t[(x^2 + 1)^{1/2} - x]] \\ + Y_0[t[(x^2 + 1)^{1/2} + x]] Y_0[t[(x^2 + 1)^{1/2} - x]] \}$$

$$(7) \quad = \frac{2}{\pi\alpha} K_0\{t[\alpha + (\alpha^2 - 1)^{1/2}]\} K_0\{t[\alpha - (\alpha^2 - 1)^{1/2}]\}, \quad \operatorname{Re} \alpha > 1.$$

(B) In (1), let  $a \rightarrow at$ ,  $b \rightarrow bt$ . Then, multiplying both sides by  $\cos(ty)$ , noting that integrating over all positive  $t$  can precede the  $x$ -integrations on the right-hand side and using the formulas

$$(8) \quad \int_0^\infty dx K_0(x) Y_0(ax) = -(a^2 + 1)^{-1/2} K[(a^2 + 1)^{-1/2}],$$

$$\int_0^\infty dx K_0(x) K_0(ax) = \pi(a + 1)^{-1} K(|a - 1|/(a + 1)),$$

we obtain the Fourier cosine pair

$$(9) \quad \int_0^\infty dt \cos(tu) \{ J_0(at) J_0(bt) + Y_0(at) Y_0(bt) \} \\ = (4/\pi)[(a + b)^2 - u^2]^{-1/2} K\{[4ab/[(a + b)^2 - u^2]]^{1/2}\}, \quad 0 < u < |a - b|, \\ = (8/\pi)\{[u^2 - (a - b)^2]^{1/2} + 2(ab)^{1/2}\}^{-1} K\left\{\frac{[u^2 - (a - b)^2]^{1/2} - 2(ab)^{1/2}}{[u^2 - (a - b)^2]^{1/2} + 2(ab)^{1/2}}\right\}, \\ u > |a - b|.$$

By combining this with Bailey's results for the first integral on the left-hand side of (9), we obtain  $\int_0^\infty dt \cos(tu) Y_0(at) Y_0(bt)$  for a number of cases. Thus, in general,

taking  $u = 0$  in (9),

$$(10) \quad \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^\infty Y_0(ax) Y_0(bx) dx = \frac{2}{a+b} K\left(\frac{2(ab)^{1/2}}{a+b}\right) - a^{-1} K(b/a), \quad a > b.$$

In conclusion, we present two other results which can be obtained in the same manner:

$$\begin{aligned} (11) \quad & \int_0^\infty dt t^{\nu+1} J_\nu(tu) \{ J_0(at) J_0(bt) + Y_0(at) Y_0(bt) \} \\ &= 4\pi^{-3/2} \frac{\Gamma^2(\nu+1)}{\Gamma(\nu+3/2)} \frac{u^\nu}{[u^2 - (a-b)^2]^{\nu+1}} \\ & \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\nu+1, \frac{1}{2}; \nu+3/2; \frac{u^2 - (a+b)^2}{u^2 - (a-b)^2}\right), \quad u > (a-b). \\ (12) \quad & \frac{\pi^2}{8} \int_0^\infty dt t J_0(tu) \{ J_0(at) J_0(bt) + Y_0(at) Y_0(bt) \} \\ &= \frac{\ln\{2(ab)^{1/2}/[(a-b)^2 - u^2]^{1/2} + [(a+b)^2 - u^2]^{1/2}\}}{[(a-b)^2 - u^2]^{1/2}[(a+b)^2 - u^2]^{1/2}}, \quad u < |a-b|, \\ &= \frac{\sin^{-1}[(a+b)^2 - u^2]^{1/2}/2(ab)^{1/2}}{[u^2 - (a-b)^2]^{1/2}[(a+b)^2 - u^2]^{1/2}}, \quad |a-b| < u < (a+b), \\ &= \frac{\sinh^{-1}[[u^2 - (a+b)^2]^{1/2}/2(ab)^{1/2}]}{[u^2 - (a-b)^2]^{1/2}[u^2 - (a+b)^2]^{1/2}}, \quad (a+b) < u. \end{aligned}$$

Equation (12) combined with Bailey's formula

$$(13) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty t J_0(tu) J_0(at) J_0(bt) dt &= (2\pi\Delta)^{-1}, & a, b, u \text{ form a triangle of area } \Delta, \\ &= 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{aligned}$$

gives  $\int_0^\infty dt t J_0(ut) Y_0(at) Y_0(bt)$ .

These results can probably be extended to  $Y_\nu(ax)Y_\nu(bx)$ ,  $\nu \neq 0$ , by an appropriate generalization of (4), but as yet we have no approach to the case  $Y_\nu(ax)Y_\mu(bx)$  except when  $\mu - \nu$  is an integer and the recursion relations can be applied.

A number of other interesting integrals which can be derived in a manner similar to (1) have been included in a collection of new integrals of the function  $K_0$  which is reproduced in the microfiche section of this issue.

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Some Integrals Involving the Modified Bessel Function  $K_0$

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In the integrals listed below,  $a, b$  denote positive real quantities unless further restrictions are indicated,  $|k| < \frac{1}{2}$ , and  $z$  lies in the complex plane cut along the real axis between  $\pm 1$ . In most cases, the limits of validity of the formulas can be extended by analytic continuation. The notation is that of the Bateman manuscript project. These integrals have been obtained by a variety of methods, the most fruitful being the use of the Parseval formula for the Kantorovich-Lebedev transform together with the fact that  $K_{ix}(0)$  is related to the Dirac delta distribution.

ELEMENTARY FUNCTIONS

$$(1) \int_0^\infty e^{-x} \cosh a \cosh b K_0(x) \sinh(x \sinh a \sinh b) \frac{dx}{x} = ab$$

$$(2) \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(x^2 + 4ab)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \cos \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \frac{a}{b} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] (x^2 + 4ab)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\} K_0(x) \\ = \frac{\pi^2}{8} [J_0(a)J_0(b) + Y_0(a)Y_0(b)]$$

$$(3) \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(x^2 + 4ab)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sin \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \frac{a}{b} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] (x^2 + 4ab)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\} K_0(x) \\ = \frac{\pi^2}{8} [J_0(b)Y_0(a) - J_0(a)Y_0(b)]$$

$$(4) \int_0^\infty dx x^{-3/2} K_0(x) e^{-x} e^{-a^2/8x} = \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (8/a) K_0(a)$$

$$(5) \int_0^\infty dx x^{-\frac{1}{2}} K_0(x) (a^2 + x^2 + 2ax)^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-(a^2 + x^2 + 2ax)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = -a^{-\frac{1}{2}} P_{-\frac{1}{2}}(z) K_0(a)$$

$$(6) \int_0^1 dx (1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} K_0[x(4ab)^{\frac{1}{2}}] e^{(a-b)(1-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} dx + \int_1^\infty dx (x^2-1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} K_0[x(4ab)^{\frac{1}{2}}]$$

$$\sin[(a-b)(x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}] = \frac{1}{2} I_0(a) K_0(b)$$

$$(7) \int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{x} \frac{K_0(2x\sqrt{ab})}{(x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \cos[(a-b)(x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}] = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\lambda=0}^{\infty} [K_{\lambda+2}(a) K_{\lambda+2}(b)] \frac{x^{\lambda}}{\lambda+2}$$

$$(8) \int_1^\infty dx \frac{K_0(2ax)}{(x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \cos[2x \ln[x + (x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}]] = \frac{1}{2} K_{1/2}^2(a)$$

$$(9) \int_0^\infty dx x^k \frac{K_0(x)}{x^2+a^2} = (2a)^{k-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{s_{-k,n}}{n+1} S_{-k,n}(a)$$

$$(10) \int_0^\infty dx \frac{x^{k-\frac{1}{2}}}{(x+a)^{k+1}} e^{-x} K_0(x) = \frac{(-1)^{\frac{k}{2}}}{(2)^{\frac{k}{2}}} \frac{\pi^2 (a+k)}{a^{\frac{k}{2}} (1+k)} W_{-k,0}(2a)$$

$$(11) \int_1^\infty dx (x^2-1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cos[2k \arccos(1/x)] K_0(ax) = (-2a) W_{k,0}(a) W_{-k,0}(a)$$

$$(12) \int_0^\infty dx (x^2+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} K_0[x(ab)^{\frac{1}{2}}] \frac{-(x^2+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1}{-(x^2+1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(a+b)(x^2+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2(ab)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \pi^2 (\frac{1}{2} - k) W_{k,0}(a) W_{-k,0}(b)$$

ERROR, GAMMA AND RELATED FUNCTIONS

$$(13) \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} e^{-a/x} \operatorname{Erf} [i(a/x)^{\frac{1}{2}}] K_0(ax) \frac{dx}{x} = I_0(a^{\frac{1}{2}}) K_0(a^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$(14) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x} K_0(x) e^{-x} \cos a \operatorname{Erf} [(2x)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin \frac{a}{2}] = 2\pi a \quad |a| < \pi$$

$$(15) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x} K_0(x) \left\{ e^x \cos (a+b) \operatorname{Erfc} [(2x)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos (\frac{a+b}{2})] - e^x \cos (a-b) \operatorname{Erfc} [(2x)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos (\frac{a-b}{2})] \right\} = 2ab \quad |a|, |b| < \pi$$

$$(16) \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x} e^{-x} e^{-a^2/2x} \operatorname{Erf} [ia/(2x)^{\frac{1}{2}}] K_0(x) = I_0(a) K_0(a)$$

$$(17) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x} K_0(x) \exp \left[ \frac{ax}{b} + \frac{bx}{a} + \frac{ab}{x} \right] \operatorname{Erfc} \left[ 2^{-\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{ax}{b} + \frac{bx}{a} + \frac{ab}{x}} \right] = 2K_0(a) K_0(b)$$

$$(18) \int_0^{\infty} dx x^{-3/2} e^{-x} e^{a^2/8x} K_0(x) \Gamma(k, a^2/8x) = \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{\frac{k}{2}} 2^{3-2k} \frac{\Gamma^2(\frac{3-k}{2})}{a\Gamma(1-k)} S_{2k,0}(a)$$

$$(19) \int_0^{\infty} dx x^{-3/2} e^{-x} e^{a^2/8x} K_0(x) E_1(-a^2/8x) = -\frac{4\pi(2\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{a} S_{0,0}(a)$$

$$(20) \int_0^{\infty} dx x^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{zx} E_1(-zx-x) K_0(x) = -2^{-\frac{1}{2}} \pi^{5/2} P_{-\frac{1}{2}}(z)$$

$$(21) \int_0^{\infty} dx x^{-3/4} e^{\frac{1}{8}x(z^2-1)} D_{-3/2} \left( z(2x)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) K_0(x) = 2^{3/4} \pi^2 P_{-\frac{1}{2}}(z)$$

$$(22) \int_0^\infty dx x^{-k/2-3/4} e^{x(z^2-1)} D_{k+3/2}(2zx^{\frac{1}{2}}) K_0(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} 2^{k+3/2} \frac{\Gamma^2(\frac{p-k}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{3/2-k}{2})} (z^2-1)^{k/2} P_{-\frac{k}{2}}(z)$$

### BESSEL FUNCTIONS

$$(23) \int_0^\infty dx x^{-k} K_0(x) K_k(xz^{\frac{1}{2}}) = \frac{\pi}{4} 2^{-k} (z-1)^{k/2} \Gamma^2(p-k) P_{-\frac{k}{2}}(2z-1)$$

$$(24) \int_0^\infty dx x^{-3/2} e^{-(z+1)x} I_k(xa) K_0(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{2} \Gamma^2(p+k) [P_{-\frac{k}{2}}(a+1)]^2$$

$$(25) \int_0^\infty dx K_0(x) Y_0(ax) = -Q_{-\frac{1}{2}}(2a^2 + 1)$$

$$(26) \int_0^\infty dx K_0(x) \frac{K_1[(a^2 + x^2 + 2ax \cos b)^{\frac{1}{2}}]}{(a^2 + x^2 + 2ax \cos b)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{b}{a} \frac{K_0(a)}{\sin b}, |b| < \pi$$

$$(27) \frac{a[z + (z^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}]}{a[z - (z^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}]} \int_0^\infty dx x^{k-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\frac{1}{2}[-k-\frac{1}{2}][x^{\frac{1}{2}}(2axz - a^2 - x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}]}{[x^{\frac{1}{2}}(2axz - a^2 - x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}]^{k+\frac{1}{2}}} K_0(x)$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{a} \frac{1}{2} a^{-k} (z^2-1)^{-k/2} P_{-\frac{k}{2}}(z) K_0(a)$$