

ON INTEGRAL OPERATOR INVOLVING  
MITTAG-LEFFLER FUNCTION

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**Abstract:** The main object of this article is to present an interesting double integral involving generalized Mittag-Leffler function, which is expressed in terms of generalized (Wright) hypergeometric function. Also we consider some special cases as an application of main result.

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### 1. Introduction and Definition

The well known Mittag-Leffler function is defined as follows (see, [4]):

$$E_{\alpha}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha k)}, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\alpha \in C$ ,  $\Re(\alpha) > 0$ ,  $z \in C$  and its general form is given by

$$E_{\alpha, \beta}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{\Gamma(\beta + \alpha k)}, \quad (1.2)$$

where  $\alpha, \beta \in C$ ,  $\Re(\alpha) > 0$ ,  $\Re(\beta) > 0$ ,  $z \in C$  with  $C$  being the set of complex numbers which is known as Wiman function [10].

In 1971, Prabhakar [5] introduced the function  $E_{\alpha,\beta}^\gamma(z)$  as follows:

$$E_{\alpha,\beta}^\gamma(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\gamma)_n z^n}{\Gamma(\alpha n + \beta) n!}, \quad (1.3)$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in C$ ,  $\Re(\alpha) > 0$ ,  $\Re(\beta) > 0$ ,  $\Re(\gamma) > 0$ ,  $z \in C$  and  $(\gamma)_n$  is the well known Pochhammer symbol [6].

In continuation of his work, Shukla and Prajapati [8] introduced the following extension of Mittag-Leffler function:

$$E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,q}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\gamma)_{qn} z^n}{\Gamma(\alpha n + \beta) n!}, \quad (1.4)$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in C$ ,  $\Re(\alpha) > 0$ ,  $\Re(\beta) > 0$ ,  $\Re(\gamma) > 0$  and  $q \in (0, 1) \cup N$ .

The function  $E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,q}(z)$  is most natural generalization of the exponential function  $\exp(z)$ , Mittag-Leffler function  $E_\alpha(z)$  and Wiman function  $E_{\alpha,\beta}(z)$ . Furthermore, the function  $E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,q}(z)$  has the following special cases (see, [3]):

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,1}(z) &= E_{\alpha,\beta}^\gamma(z), E_{\alpha,\beta}^{1,1}(z) = E_{\alpha,\beta}(z), E_{\alpha,1}(z) = E_\alpha(z), \\ E_{1,2}(z) &= \frac{e^z - 1}{z}, E_{1,1}^{1,1}(z) = E_{1,1}(z) = E_1(z) = \exp(z), z \in C. \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

The generalization of the generalized hypergeometric series  ${}_pF_q$  is due to Fox [2] and Wright ([11], [12], [13]) who studied the asymptotic expansion of the generalized (Wright) hypergeometric function defined by (see [9, p.21]; see also [7]):

$${}_p\Psi_q \left[ \begin{matrix} (\alpha_1, A_1), \dots, (\alpha_p, A_p); \\ (\beta_1, B_1), \dots, (\beta_q, B_q); \end{matrix} z \right] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p \Gamma(\alpha_j + A_j k)}{\prod_{j=1}^q \Gamma(\beta_j + B_j k)} \frac{z^k}{k!} \quad (1.6)$$

where the coefficients  $A_1, \dots, A_p$  and  $B_1, \dots, B_q$  are positive real numbers such that

$$(i) \quad 1 + \sum_{j=1}^q B_j - \sum_{j=1}^p A_j > 0 \text{ and } 0 < |z| < \infty; z \neq 0. \quad (1.6a)$$

$$(ii) \quad 1 + \sum_{j=1}^q B_j - \sum_{j=1}^p A_j = 0 \text{ and } 0 < |z| < A_1^{-A_1} \dots A_p^{-A_p} B_1^{B_1} \dots B_q^{B_q}. \quad (1.6b)$$

A special case of (1.6) is

$${}_p\Psi_q \left[ \begin{matrix} (\alpha_1, 1), \dots, (\alpha_p, 1); \\ (\beta_1, 1), \dots, (\beta_q, 1); \end{matrix} z \right] = \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p \Gamma(\alpha_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^q \Gamma(\beta_j)} {}_pF_q \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p; \\ \beta_1, \dots, \beta_q; \end{matrix} z \right], \tag{1.7}$$

where  ${}_pF_q$  is the generalized hypergeometric series defined by [6]

$$\begin{aligned} {}_pF_q \left[ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p; \\ \beta_1, \dots, \beta_q; \end{matrix} z \right] &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_n \cdots (\alpha_p)_n}{(\beta_1)_n \cdots (\beta_q)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!} \\ &= {}_pF_q(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_q; z), \end{aligned} \tag{1.8}$$

where  $(\lambda)_n$  is the Pochhammer's symbol [6].

### 2. Useful Result

For our present investigation, the following interesting and useful result due to Edward [1, p.445] will be required:

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\alpha (1-x)^{\alpha-1} (1-y)^{\beta-1} (1-xy)^{1-\alpha-\beta} dx dy = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha) \Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}, \tag{2.1}$$

provided  $\Re(\alpha) > 0$  and  $\Re(\beta) > 0$ .

### 3. Main Result

We establish here the following double integral involving Mittag-Leffler function  $E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,\nu}$ , which is expressed in terms of Wright hypergeometric function:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,\nu} \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy \\ = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\gamma)} {}_3\Psi_2 \left[ \begin{matrix} (\gamma, \nu), (\lambda, 1), (\mu, 1); \\ (\beta, \alpha), (\lambda + \mu, 2); \end{matrix} a \right], \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

where  $a$  is nonzero constant,  $\Re(\alpha) > 0$ ,  $\Re(\beta) > 0$ ,  $\Re(\gamma) > 0$ ,  $\Re(\lambda) > 0$ ,  $\Re(\mu) > 0$ ,  $E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,\nu}$  and  ${}_3\Psi_2$  are the Mittag-Leffler and Wright hypergeometric functions defined by (1.4) and (1.5), respectively.

**Proof :** To establish our main result (3.1), we denote the left-hand side of (3.1) by  $I$  and then using (1.4), we have

$$I = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\gamma)_{\nu n} \left\{ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right\}^n}{\Gamma(\alpha n + \beta) n!} dx dy. \quad (3.2)$$

Now changing the order of integration and summation, which is clearly seen to be justified due to the uniform convergence of the series in the interval  $(0,1)$ , we arrive at

$$I = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\gamma)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\gamma + \nu n) \Gamma(\lambda + n) \Gamma(\mu + n) (a)^n}{\Gamma(\alpha n + \beta) \Gamma(\lambda + \mu + 2n) n!}. \quad (3.3)$$

Finally, summing up the above series with the help of (1.5), we easily arrive at the right-hand side of (3.1). This completes the proof of our main result.

Next, we consider other variation of (3.1). In fact, we establish an integral formula for the Mittag-Leffler function  $E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,\nu}$ , which is expressed in terms of the generalized hypergeometric function  ${}_pF_q$ .

**4. Variation of (3.1):** Let the conditions of our main result be satisfied, then the following integral formula holds true:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,\nu} \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda) \Gamma(\mu)}{\Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(\lambda + \mu)} {}_{\nu+2}F_{\alpha+2} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \Delta(\nu; \gamma), \quad \lambda, \quad \mu ; \quad \frac{a\nu^\nu}{4\alpha^\alpha} \\ \Delta(\alpha; \beta), \quad \Delta(2; \lambda + \mu) \end{array} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

where  $\Delta(m; l)$  abbreviates the array of  $m$  parameters  $\frac{l}{m}, \frac{l+1}{m}, \dots, \frac{l+m-1}{m}$ ,  $m \geq 1$ .

**Proof:** In order to prove the result (4.1), using the results

$$\Gamma(\alpha + n) = \Gamma(\alpha)(\alpha)_n$$

and

$$(l)_{kn} = k^{kn} \left( \frac{l}{k} \right)_n \left( \frac{l+1}{k} \right)_n \cdots \left( \frac{l+k-1}{k} \right)_n.$$

(Gauss multiplication theorem) in (3.3) and summing up the given series with the help of (1.8), we easily arrive at our required result (4.1).

**5. Special Cases :**

(i). On taking  $\nu = 1$  in (3.1) and by using  $E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma,\nu}(z) = E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma}(z)$ , we get

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma} \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\gamma)} {}_3\Psi_2 \left[ \begin{matrix} (\gamma, 1), & (\lambda, 1), & (\mu, 1) ; \\ (\beta, \alpha), & (\lambda + \mu, 2) & \end{matrix} ; a \right], \quad (5.1)$$

where  $\Re(\alpha) > 0, \Re(\beta) > 0, \Re(\gamma) > 0, \Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$  and  $E_{\alpha,\beta}^{\gamma}$  is the Mittag-Leffler function defined by (1.3).

(ii). On setting  $\gamma = 1$  in (5.1) and by using  $E_{\alpha,\beta}^1(z) = E_{\alpha,\beta}(z)$ , we get

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} E_{\alpha,\beta} \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy$$

$$= {}_3\Psi_2 \left[ \begin{matrix} (1, 1), & (\lambda, 1), & (\mu, 1) ; \\ (\beta, \alpha), & (\lambda + \mu, 2) & \end{matrix} ; a \right], \quad (5.2)$$

where  $\Re(\alpha) > 0, \Re(\beta) > 0, \Re(\gamma) > 0, \Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$  and  $E_{\alpha,\beta}$  is the Mittag-Leffler function defined by (1.2).

(iii). On putting  $\beta = 1$  in (5.2) and by using  $E_{\alpha,1}(z) = E_{\alpha}(z)$ , we get

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} E_{\alpha} \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy$$

$$= {}_3\Psi_2 \left[ \begin{matrix} (1, 1), & (\lambda, 1), & (\mu, 1) ; \\ (1, \alpha), & (\lambda + \mu, 2) & \end{matrix} ; a \right], \quad (5.3)$$

where  $\Re(\alpha) > 0, \Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$  and  $E_{\alpha}$  is the Mittag-Leffler function defined by (1.1).

(iv). On taking  $\alpha = 1$  in (5.3) and by using  $E_1(z) = \exp(z)$ , we get

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} \exp \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy$$

$$= {}_2\Psi_1 \left[ \begin{array}{c} (\lambda, 1), \quad (\mu, 1) ; \\ (\lambda + \nu, 2) \end{array} ; a \right], \quad (5.4)$$

where  $\Re(\gamma) > 0, \Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$ .

(v). On setting  $\alpha = 1, \beta = 2$  in (5.2) and by using  $E_{1,2}(z) = \frac{e^z - 1}{z}$ , we get

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^{\lambda-1} (1-x)^{\lambda-2} (1-y)^{\mu-2} (1-xy)^{3-\lambda-\mu} \left[ \exp \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] - 1 \right] dx dy$$

$$= {}_3\Psi_2 \left[ \begin{array}{c} (1, 1), \quad (\lambda, 1), \quad (\mu, 1) ; \\ (2, 1), \quad (\lambda + \mu, 2) \end{array} ; a \right], \quad (5.5)$$

where  $\Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$ .

(vi). On taking  $\nu = 1$  in (4.1), we get

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} E_{\alpha,\beta}^\gamma \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda) \Gamma(\mu)}{\Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(\lambda + \mu)} {}_3F_{\alpha+2} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \gamma \quad \lambda \quad \mu ; \quad \frac{a}{4\alpha^\alpha} \\ \Delta(\alpha; \beta), \quad \Delta(2; \lambda + \mu); \end{array} \right], \quad (5.6)$$

where  $\Re(\alpha) > 0, \Re(\beta) > 0, \Re(\gamma) > 0, \Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$ .

(vii). On putting  $\gamma = 1$  in (5.6), we get

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} E_{\alpha,\beta} \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda) \Gamma(\mu)}{\Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(\lambda + \mu)} {}_3F_{\alpha+2} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 1 \quad \lambda \quad \mu ; \quad \frac{a}{4\alpha^\alpha} \\ \Delta(\alpha; \beta), \quad \Delta(2; \lambda + \mu); \end{array} \right], \quad (5.7)$$

where  $\Re(\alpha) > 0, \Re(\beta) > 0, \Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$ .

(viii). Further, on setting  $\beta = 1$  in (5.7), we get

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} E_\alpha \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda) \Gamma(\mu)}{\Gamma(\lambda + \mu)} {}_3F_{\alpha+2} \left[ \begin{matrix} 1 & \lambda & \mu & ; & \frac{a}{4\alpha^\alpha} \\ \Delta(\alpha; 1), & \Delta(2; \lambda + \mu); & & & \end{matrix} \right], \quad (5.8)$$

where  $\Re(\alpha) > 0, \Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$ .

(ix). On taking  $\alpha = 1$  in (5.8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^\lambda (1-x)^{\lambda-1} (1-y)^{\mu-1} (1-xy)^{1-\lambda-\mu} \exp \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] dx dy \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda) \Gamma(\mu)}{\Gamma(\lambda + \mu)} {}_2F_2 \left[ \begin{matrix} \lambda & \mu & ; & \frac{a}{4} \\ \Delta(2; \lambda + \mu); & & & \end{matrix} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (5.9)$$

where  $\Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$ .

(x). On putting  $\alpha = 1, \beta = 2$  in (5.7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \int_0^1 y^{\lambda-1} (1-x)^{\lambda-2} (1-y)^{\mu-2} (1-xy)^{3-\lambda-\mu} \left[ \exp \left[ \frac{ay(1-x)(1-y)}{(1-xy)^2} \right] - 1 \right] dx dy \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda) \Gamma(\mu)}{\Gamma(\lambda + \mu)} {}_3F_3 \left[ \begin{matrix} 1 & \lambda & \mu & ; & \frac{a}{4} \\ 2 & \Delta(2; \lambda + \mu); & & & \end{matrix} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (5.10)$$

where  $\Re(\mu) > 0, \Re(\lambda) > 0$ .

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