

Note on a Theorem of Lommel.

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1.

Among the many formulæ which show special relations existing between the circular functions and the Bessel-Function $J_n(x)$, when n is half an odd integer, there is one due to Lommel

$$\frac{\sin 2x}{\pi} = \{J_{\frac{1}{2}}(x)\}^2 - 3\{J_{\frac{3}{2}}(x)\}^2 + 5\{J_{\frac{5}{2}}(x)\}^2 - \dots$$

In connection with the paper on Basic sines and cosines in this volume of the *Proceedings*, it may be interesting to consider briefly an analogue of Lommel's theorem, which we write

$$\sum_{r=0}^{r=\infty} (-1)^r \frac{[4r+2]}{[2]} p^{r(r-1)} J_{[\frac{2r+1}{2}]}(x) \mathfrak{J}_{[\frac{2r+1}{2}]}(x) \\ = \frac{1}{[2]^2 \{ \Gamma_{p^2[\frac{3}{2}]} \}^2} \left[(1+p)x - \frac{2(1+p)(1+p^3)x^3}{[3]!} + \frac{2(1+p^2)(1+p)(1+p^3)(1+p^5)x^5}{[5]!} \dots \right], \quad (2)$$

the general term of the series within the large brackets being

$$(-1)^r \frac{2(1+p^2)(1+p^4)\dots(1+p^{2r-2}) \cdot (1+p^1)(1+p^3)\dots(1+p^{2r+1})}{[2r+1]!} x^{2r+1}.$$

When the base p equals 1, this series reduces to $\frac{\sin 2x}{\pi}$.

2.

Defining $J_{[n]}(x)$ as $\sum_{r=0}^{r=\infty} (-1)^r \frac{x^{n+2r}}{\{2n+2r\}! \{2r\}!}$,

$\{2m\}!$ is in general $[2]^m \Gamma_{p^2}([m+1])$.

This reduces, when m is a positive integer, to $[2][4][6]\dots[2m]$.

We take $\mathfrak{J}_{[n]}(x) = \sum_{r=0}^{r=\infty} (-1)^r \frac{x^{n+2r}}{\{2n+2r\}! \{2r\}!} p^{2r(n+r)}$.

This function is connected with $J_{[n]}$ by an inversion of the base p .

In a paper shortly to be printed (*Proc. R. S.*) it is shown that

$$J_{(m)}(x) \mathfrak{J}_{(n)}(x) = J_{(n)}(x) \mathfrak{J}_{(m)}(x) = \sum_{r=0}^{r=\infty} (-1)^r \frac{\{2m + 2n + 4r\}_r}{\{2m + 2r\}! \{2n + 2r\}! \{2r\}!} x^{m+n+2r}, \quad (3)$$

where $\{2m + 2n + 4r\}_r = [2m + 2n + 4r][2m + 2n + 4r - 2] \dots [2m + 2n + 2r + 2]$.

3.

Consider now the series

$$[2]J_{\{\frac{1}{2}\}} \mathfrak{J}_{\{\frac{1}{2}\}} - [6]J_{\{\frac{3}{2}\}} \mathfrak{J}_{\{\frac{3}{2}\}} + \dots + (-1)^s p^{s(s-1)} J_{\{\frac{2s+1}{2}\}} \mathfrak{J}_{\{\frac{2s+1}{2}\}} - \dots \dots \quad (4)$$

This series may be written by means of (3) in the form

$$\begin{aligned} & [2] \sum (-1)^r \frac{\{4r + 2\}_r}{\{2r + 1\}! \{2r + 1\}! \{2r\}!} x^{2r+1} \\ & - [6] \sum (-1)^r \frac{\{4r + 6\}_r}{\{2r + 3\}! \{2r + 3\}! \{2r\}!} x^{2r+3} \\ & \dots \\ & \dots \\ & (-1)^{r+s} [4s + 2] \sum \frac{\{4r + 4s + 2\}_r}{\{2r + 2s + 1\}! \{2r + 2s + 1\}! \{2r\}!} x^{2r+2s+1} \\ & \dots \\ & \dots \end{aligned}$$

Collecting the terms in a series of ascending powers of x , the coefficient of x arises only from the first of these series, and is

$$[2] \frac{\{2\}_0}{\{1\}! \{1\}! \{0\}!},$$

which reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{[2]}{[2]^{\frac{1}{2}} [2]^{\frac{1}{2}} \{\Gamma_{p^2}(\frac{3}{2})\}^2} \\ & = \frac{1}{\{\Gamma_{p^2}(\frac{3}{2})\}^2}, \end{aligned}$$

as is seen from the definition of the function $\{2n\}!$.

The coefficient of x^3 is

$$-[2] \frac{\{6\}_1}{\{3\}! \{3\}! \{2\}!} - [6] \frac{\{6\}_0}{\{3\}! \{3\}! \{0\}!}$$

and this reduces to

$$\frac{2(1 + p^3)}{[3]!} \frac{1}{\{\Gamma_{p^2}[\frac{3}{2}]\}^2}.$$

4.

The reduction, however, of the series which forms the coefficient of x^{2r+1} , offers some difficulty and is effected by a theorem due to Heine (*Kugelfunctionen*, Appendix to Chap. II., Vol. I.).

The coefficient of x^{2r+1} is, after some obvious reductions,

$$(-1)^r \frac{\{4r+2\}_r}{\{2r+1\}! \{2r+1\}! \{2r\}!} \left[[2] + [6] \frac{[2r]}{[2r+4]} + p^2 [10] \frac{[2r][2r-2]}{[2r+4][2r+6]} + \dots \right. \\ \left. + p^{s(s-1)} [4s+2] \frac{[2r][2r-2] \dots [2r-2s+2]}{[2r+4] \dots [2r+2s+2]} + \dots \right]. \quad (5)$$

Now $[2] = \frac{p^2-1}{p-1} = \frac{p^2}{p-1} - \frac{1}{p-1}$,

$[6] = \frac{p^6}{p-1} - \frac{1}{p-1}$,

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$[4s+2] = \frac{p^{4s+2}}{p-1} - \frac{1}{p-1}$,

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therefore we write the series which is within the large brackets of expression (5) as the difference of two series, viz.,

$$\frac{p^2}{p-1} S_1 - \frac{1}{p-1} S_2 = \frac{p_2}{p-1} \left\{ 1 + p^4 \frac{[2r]}{[2r+4]} + \dots + p^{s(s+3)} \frac{[2r] \dots [2r-2s+2]}{[2r+4] \dots [2r+2s+2]} + \dots \right\} \\ - \frac{1}{p-1} \left\{ 1 + \frac{[2r]}{[2r+4]} + \dots + p^{s(s-1)} \frac{[2r] \dots [2r-2s+2]}{[2r+4] \dots [2r+2s+2]} + \dots \right\}. \quad (6)$$

5.

Heine has shown that if

$$1 + \frac{(1-a)(1-b)}{(1-q)(1-c)} x + \frac{(1-a)(1-aq)(1-b)(1-bq)}{(1-q)(1-q^2)(1-c)(1-cq)} x^2 + \dots = \phi[a, b, c, q, x],$$

then $\phi[a, b, c, q, x] = \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1-bxq^n) \left(1 - \frac{c}{b} q^n\right)}{(1-xq^n)(1-cq^n)} \phi \left[b, \frac{abx}{c}, bx, q, \frac{c}{b} \right]$.

If in this transformation we put $a = p^2$,

$$\begin{aligned} q &= p^2, \\ b &= p^{-2r}, \\ c &= p^{2r+4}, \\ x &= -p^{2r+4}, \end{aligned}$$

$\phi[a, b, c, q, x]$ becomes, after simple and obvious reductions, identical with S_1 .

The infinite product on the right side of Heine's transformation, reduces (r integral) to the finite product

$$\frac{(1 + p^4)(1 + p^8) \dots (1 + p^{2r+2})}{(1 - p^{2r+4})(1 - p^{2r+8}) \dots (1 - p^{4r+2})}$$

which we will for convenience denote by P_1 .

$$\phi \left[b, \frac{abx}{c}, bx, q, \frac{c}{b} \right] \text{ becomes}$$

$$\left\{ 1 - \frac{(p^{2r} - 1)(p^{2r-2} + 1)}{(p^2 - 1)(p^4 + 1)} p^6 + \frac{(p^{2r} - 1)(p^{2r-2} - 1)(p^{2r-2} + 1)(p^{2r-4} + 1)}{(p^2 - 1)(p^4 - 1)(p^4 + 1)(p^8 + 1)} p^{16} - \dots \right\}$$

$$= 1 - a_1 + a_2 - \dots,$$

so that $S_1 = P_1 \{ 1 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + \dots \}$.

Similarly, if we put

$$\begin{aligned} a &= p^2, \\ q &= p^2, \\ b &= p^{-2r}, \\ c &= p^{2r+4}, \\ x &= -p^{2r}, \end{aligned}$$

in Heine's transformation, we obtain

$$\phi[a, b, c, q, x] = S_2,$$

$$\phi \left[b, \frac{abx}{c}, bx, q, \frac{c}{b} \right]$$

$$= \left\{ 1 - \frac{(p^{2r} - 1)(p^{2r+2} + 1)}{(p^2 - 1)(1 + 1)} p^2 + \frac{(p^{2r} - 1)(p^{2r-2} - 1)(p^{2r+2} + 1)(p^{2r} + 1)}{(p^2 - 1)(p^4 - 1)(1 + 1)(1 + p^2)} p^8 - \dots \right\}$$

$$= 1 - b_1 + b_2 - \dots$$

The infinite product becomes

$$\frac{2(1 + p^2)(1 + p^4) \dots (1 + p^{2r-2})}{(1 - p^{2r+4})(1 - p^{2r+8}) \dots (1 - p^{4r+2})} = P_2.$$

Finally we have

$$\frac{p^2}{p-1} S_1 - \frac{1}{p-1} S_2 = \frac{p^2}{p-1} P_1 \{1 - a_1 + a_2 - \dots\} - \frac{1}{p-1} P_2 \{1 - b_1 + b_2 - \dots\}. \quad (7)$$

P_1 and P_2 have most of their factors in common, so taking out the common part we may write (7)

$$\frac{(1+p^4)(1+p^6)\dots(1+p^{2r-2})}{(1-p^{2r+4})(1-p^{2r+6})\dots(1-p^{4r+2})} \cdot \frac{1}{(p-1)} \left\{ p^2(1+p^{2r})(1+p^{2r+2})\{1-a_1+a_2-\dots\} - 2(1+p^2)\{1-b_1+b_2-\dots\} \right\}. \quad (8)$$

We sum the series within the large brackets as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} & -2(1+p^2) \\ & +2(1+p^2)b_1 + p^2(1+p^{2r})(1+p^{2r+2}) \\ & -2(1+p^2)b_2 - p^2(1+p^{2r})(1+p^{2r+2})a_1 \\ & \dots \qquad \dots \\ & \dots \qquad \dots \end{aligned}$$

in general taking the term involving b_n with the term involving b_{n-1} .

Without difficulty, even in the general term, we can reduce this series to

$$\begin{aligned} & -2(1+p^2) + 2p^2 \frac{[4r+4]}{[2]} - 2p^8 \frac{[4r+4][4r]}{[2][8]} + 2p^{18} \frac{[4r+4][4r][4r-4]}{[2][8][12]} - \dots \\ & = -2(1+p^2) \left[1 - p^2 \frac{[4r+4]}{[4]} + p^8 \frac{[4r+4][4r]}{[4][8]} - \dots \right]. \end{aligned}$$

The product expression for the series within the large brackets is

$$(1-p^2)(1-p^6)(1-p^{10})\dots(1-p^{4r+2}).$$

Expression (8) is thus reduced to

$$-\frac{(1+p^4)\dots(1+p^{2r-2})}{(1-p^{2r+4})\dots(1-p^{4r+2})} \cdot \frac{(p+1)}{(p^2-1)} 2(1+p^2) \cdot (1-p^2)(1-p^6)\dots(1-p^{4r+2}).$$

The coefficient of x^{2r+1} is then by (5) and (9), after cancelling common factors,

$$(-1)^r \frac{2(1+p^2)(1+p^4)\dots(1+p^{2r-2}) \cdot (1+p^3)\dots(1+p^{2r+1})}{[2r+1]!} \frac{1}{\{\Gamma_p^2(\frac{3}{2})\}^2},$$

which establishes

$$[2]J_{\{1\}}\mathfrak{J}_{\{1\}} - [6]J_{\{1\}}\mathfrak{J}_{\{3\}} + \dots = \frac{1}{\{\Gamma_{p^2}(\frac{3}{2})\}^2} \left[x - \frac{2(1+p^3)}{[3]} x^2 + \dots \right].$$

Dividing throughout by [2] we have the theorem (2) as stated.

We may show also that

$$J_{\{1\}}\mathfrak{J}_{\{1\}} + J_{[-1]}\mathfrak{J}_{[-1]} = \frac{[2]}{x\{\Gamma_{p^2}(\frac{1}{2})\}^2},$$

which reduces when $p = 1$ to

$$J_{\frac{1}{2}} + J_{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{\pi x}, \quad (\text{Lommel})$$

and, in general, if $n = \frac{1}{2}(2\kappa + 1)$,

$$J_{\{n\}}\mathfrak{J}_{\{n\}} + J_{[-n]}\mathfrak{J}_{[-n]} = \frac{1}{\{\Gamma_{p^2}(\frac{1}{2})\}^2} [a_1 x^{-1} + a_2 x^{-2} + \dots + a_{\kappa-1} x^{-2\kappa+1}],$$

where a_1, a_2, \dots are simple expressions of factors of the type $[m]$.