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Distributions of the form

$$(1) \quad F(x, \lambda) = \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\lambda + 1}{2}\right)} \int |f(x, u)|^\lambda g(x, u) du$$

are considered, where x and u belong to R^p and R^n respectively. The parameter λ is complex, and $F(x, \lambda)$ is evaluated for $Re(\lambda) < 0$ by analytic continuation. Such integrals arise in solution formulas for partial differential equations. In case $n = 1$ or $n = 2$, F is expressed in terms of homogeneous distributions of degree $> \lambda + \alpha$, where α is nonnegative and depends upon the geometry of the roots of f . The case of general n is also treated, in case the Hessian of f with respect to u is different from zero. The results lead to asymptotic expansions of analogous multiple integrals.

We assume that f and g are C^∞ real-valued functions, and we assume that the gradient of f with respect to x does not vanish in the region of $R^p \times R^n$ under consideration. Integration is taken over a compact region $U \subset R^n$, and we assume that g has its support in the interior of U . For $Re(\lambda) > 0$, the operation of F on a test function φ is defined by $I(\lambda) = \int F\varphi dx$. For other values of λ , $I(\lambda)$ is evaluated by an analytic continuation in λ . The factor $1/\Gamma[(\lambda + 1)/2]$ ensures that $I(\lambda)$ is an entire function of λ . We actually require only a finite number of derivatives of f and g , provided that $Re(\lambda)$ is bounded from below.

It is easy to see that, after a change of variables in x -space, $F_1(x_1, \lambda; x_2, \dots, x_p) = F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p, \lambda)$ is a distribution in x_1 , with x_2, \dots, x_p regarded as parameters. In case $n = 1$ or $n = 2$, we show that F_1 may be expressed as a sum of homogeneous distributions, plus a smooth remainder. Each term in the expansion of F_1 is associated with a point or points where $f(x, u) = 0$ and $(\partial f/\partial u)(x, u) = 0$. Expressions such as $(\partial f/\partial x)$ and $(\partial f/\partial u)$ denote the gradients with respect to the x and u variables, respectively. In case $n = 1$, the most singular term of F_1 has the degree $\lambda + (1/m)$, if f has order m with respect to u at the corresponding point. In case $n = 2$, the degree of the most singular term of F_1 depends upon the geometry of the real roots

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of f , regarded as functions of (u_1, u_2) for fixed x . The degree of the singularity varies between $\lambda + (1/m)$ and $\lambda + (2/m)$, if f has order m with respect to u at the point in question. The extreme values of the degree are assumed in case all roots of f are coincident, or distinct, respectively. We also consider higher values of n , in the case where the Hessian matrix $(\partial^2 f / \partial u_i \partial u_j)$ is nonsingular, which frequently arises in applications. In this case, the most singular part of F is homogeneous of degree $\lambda + (n/2)$.

Integrals of the form (1) arise in representations of solutions of hyperbolic partial differential equations, specifically the Herglotz—Petrovsky formula and its generalizations. (See I. M. Gelfand and G. E. Shilov [7] pp. 137–141, and R. Courant [2], pp. 727–733.) We shall apply the results of the present paper to the analysis of the singularities of fundamental solutions of linear hyperbolic equations in a forthcoming revision of [10].

Our results also have implications for the asymptotic behavior of single and double integrals, using a device of D. S. Jones and M. Kline [8]. Let

$$I(k) = \int \exp [ikf(u)]g(u)du .$$

Then

$$I(k) = \int e^{ikt} h(t)dt , \quad \text{where } h(t) = \int \delta(t - f(u))g(u)du .$$

Here δ represents the one-dimensional Dirac function. The behavior of $I(k)$ for large k is determined by the singularities of $h(t)$ (see A. Erdelyi [4], pp. 46–51.) But $h(t)$ is of the form (1), if we set $\lambda = -1$. For double integrals, our results extend those of D. S. Jones and M. Kline [8] and J. Focke [5] to give asymptotic expansions in cases where all derivatives of f of second order vanish at some point.

The outline of our work is as follows: the first section is devoted to preliminary remarks, which apply for any n . We show that F is a distribution in a single variable, and that singularities of F_1 at x_0 are associated with points u where $f(x_0, u) = 0$ and $(\partial f / \partial u)(x_0, u) = 0$. In the second section, we reduce the case $n = 1$ to consideration of an integral of the form

$$(2) \quad I(x, \lambda, \alpha) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^\alpha |x + u|^\lambda u^{\alpha-1} du ,$$

where α is a real number. Here and henceforth, we write $\gamma(\lambda) = 1/\Gamma[(\lambda + 1)/2]$. We analyze the singularities of (2) for arbitrary complex λ , and for $Re(\alpha) > 0$, using analytic continuation in both λ and α . The result is that $I(x, \lambda, \alpha)$ is the sum of a homogeneous distri-

bution of degree $\lambda + \alpha$, and a smooth function. In the third section, we consider double integrals. We resolve the singularities of the zeros of f by a series of quadratic transformations, and reduce the problem to consideration of integrals of the form

$$(3) \quad I(x, \lambda, \alpha, \beta) = \gamma(\lambda) \iint |x + u^\alpha v^\beta|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g(u, v, \lambda) du dv .$$

In the fourth section, we expand (3) in powers of x . The integral is reduced to the form (2), or

$$(2') \quad I'(x, \lambda, \alpha) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^a (x + u)^\lambda u^{\alpha-1} \log u du .$$

$I'(x, \lambda, \alpha)$ is just the derivative of $I(x, \lambda, \alpha)$ with respect to α . The fifth section is devoted to the simpler case of integrals where the Hessian of f with respect to u does not vanish. In this case, the leading singularity of F has degree $\lambda + (n/2)$.

Our procedures, especially in the case of double integrals, would be rather unwieldy for purposes of calculation. A simpler scheme is presented by G. F. D. Duff [3]. Our results may be regarded as a justification of certain of his methods. Our methods and results, especially in §§ 2 and 5, have much in common with L. Gårding [6].

1. General remarks. In this section, we shall first show that integrals of the form (1) define distributions in a single variable, with smooth (in distribution sense) dependence on the other variables as parameters. Then we show that the singularities of such integrals are associated with points where f and $\partial f/\partial u$ both vanish. This fact is the analog of the principle of stationary phase for asymptotic expansion of integrals.

To show that F , given by (1), is a distribution in one variable, we assume that $\partial f/\partial x_1$ is bounded away from zero in the region under consideration. Recalling our assumption that $(\partial f/\partial x) \neq 0$, we can arrange that $(\partial f/\partial x_1) \neq 0$ by taking a partition of unity in x, u space, and then rotating coordinates in x -space.

THEOREM 1.1. *If, for $u \in U$, $a \leq x_1 \leq b$, and for (x_2, \dots, x_p) belonging to an open subset of R^{p-1} , we have $|(\partial f/\partial x_1)| \geq \alpha > 0$, and if $\varphi(x_1) \in C^\infty$ with support in (a, b) , then $I(\lambda)$, given by the continuation of*

$$(1.1) \quad I(\lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \int F(x, \lambda) \varphi(x_1) dx_1 ,$$

depends continuously on φ in the C_0^∞ topology, and smoothly on x_2, \dots, x_p . $I(\lambda)$ is an entire analytic function of λ . We recall that

$$\gamma(\lambda) = 1/\Gamma[(\lambda + 1)/2].$$

Proof. We may rewrite (1.1) as a double integral, first choosing $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} I(\lambda) &= \gamma(\lambda) \int_a^b \int_a^b |f(x, u)|^\lambda g(x, u) du \varphi(x_1) dx_1 \\ &= \gamma(\lambda) \int_a^b \int_a^b |f(x, u)|^\lambda g(x, u) \varphi(x_1) dx_1 du. \end{aligned}$$

Now we introduce f as a variable of integration;

$$I(\lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_a^b \int_a^\beta |f|^\lambda \psi(f, u, x_2, \dots, x_p) df du,$$

where

$$\psi(f, u, x_2, \dots, x_p) = \frac{g(X, u) \varphi(x_1)}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(X, u)},$$

$X_j = x_j (j = 2, \dots, p)$, and $X_1(f, u, x_2, \dots, x_p)$ is defined by the relation $f(X, u) = f$. Clearly ψ and its derivatives with respect to x_2, \dots, x_p are in C_0^∞ with respect to f , depending continuously on φ in the topology of test functions. Hence it suffices to show that an integral of the form

$$(1.2) \quad J(\lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \int |f|^\lambda \psi(f) df,$$

defines an analytic functional of ψ . Following I. M. Gelfand and G. E. Shilov [7], we write, with an arbitrary positive integer k ,

$$\begin{aligned} J(\lambda) &= \gamma(\lambda) \int_{-1}^1 |f|^\lambda \left[\psi(f) - \sum_{j=0}^k \psi^{(j)}(0) \frac{f^j}{j!} \right] df \\ &\quad + \gamma(\lambda) \sum_{j=0}^k \psi^{(j)}(0) \int_{-1}^1 |f|^\lambda \frac{f^j}{j!} df + \gamma(\lambda) \int_{|f| \geq 1} |f|^\lambda \psi(f) df. \end{aligned}$$

The first and third terms are regular in λ for $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > -k - 1$; the second term is easily evaluated as

$$\gamma(\lambda) \sum_{0 \leq 2l \leq k} \psi^{(2l)}(0) \frac{1}{(\lambda + 2l + 1)(2l)!}.$$

Hence, since $\gamma(\lambda)$ has zeros for $\lambda = -2l - 1$, $l = \text{integer} \geq 0$, $J(\lambda)$ is an entire functional. Thus $I(\lambda)$ is also an entire functional.

According to the principle of stationary phase, the singularities of F arise from interior points where both f and $\partial f/\partial u$ vanish, or from boundary points where f vanishes and $\partial f/\partial u$ is normal to the boundary.

(See D. S. Jones and M. Kline [8].) We wish to consider only interior stationary points, and hence we assume that the support of $g(x, u)$ is in the interior of U .

THEOREM 1.2. *If the support of $g(x, u)$ is in the interior of U , and if, at a point x_0 , $f(x_0, u)$ and $(\partial f/\partial u)(x_0, u)$ do not both vanish anywhere in U , then there exists a neighborhood of x_0 in which $F(x, \lambda)$ is smooth for all λ .*

Proof. Let $K = \inf_{u \in \mathcal{U}} \{|f(x_0, u)|^2 + |(\partial f/\partial u)(x_0, u)|^2\}$. At each point $u_0 \in U$, we have either

- (a) $|f(x_0, u_0)|^2 \geq K/2$, or
- (b) $|(\partial f/\partial u)(x_0, u_0)| \geq K/2$.

Hence we can find a neighborhood of (x_0, u_0) in which either

- (a) $|f|^2 > K/4$, or
- (b) $|\partial f/\partial u|^2 > K/4$.

Such a neighborhood contains the product of an open ball $B(x_0) \subset \mathbb{R}^p$, with center at x_0 , and an open ball $B(u_0) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, with center at u_0 . The set of such balls $B(u_0)$ forms an open covering of U , which can be reduced to a finite covering since U is compact. The intersection of the corresponding $B(x_0)$ is open. We denote this intersection by $C(x_0)$.

Thus, to each $u_0 \in U$ is associated an open set $N(u_0)$ in which either

- (a) $|f|^2 > K/4$, or
- (b) $|\partial f/\partial u|^2 > K/4$, for $x \in C(x_0)$, $u \in N(u_0)$.

We choose a C^∞ partition of unity subordinate to our finite covering of U . In sets of type (a), the integrand in (1) is C^∞ for $x \in C(x_0)$, for all λ . In sets of type (b), we may introduce f as variable of integration and proceed as in the proof of Theorem 1.1. Here x plays the role of a parameter. Thus integrals over sets of type (b) define functionals which are entire in λ , and which are C^∞ with respect to x .

2. Single integrals. In this section, we consider the case $n = 1$, i.e. where U is an interval of the real line. We shall obtain a description of the singularity of F near x_0 , associated with a neighborhood of a point u_0 where $f(x_0, u_0) = 0$ and $(\partial f/\partial u)(x_0, u_0) = 0$. According to Theorem 1.2, every singularity of F corresponds to such a neighborhood. First we make a change of variables involving both x and u , and obtain an integral of the same type, where $f(x, u) = x_1 + u^m$. Theorem 2.1 states that, for fixed λ , $F(x, \lambda)$ is bounded if $g(x, u)$ vanishes sufficiently rapidly at $u = 0$. Thus, applying Taylor's theorem to g as function of u , we see that the singularities of F arise from terms of the form $\int |x_1 + u^m|^\lambda u^k du$. Finally, Theorems 2.2 and 2.3 show that

such an integral is the sum of a distribution homogeneous of degree $\lambda + (k + 1)/m$ and a regular function.

Without loss of generality, we may assume that $x_0 = 0$ and $u_0 = 0$, and $(\partial f/\partial x_1)(0, 0) \neq 0$. We assume further that, at $(0, 0)$,

$$f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} = \dots = \frac{\partial^{m-1} f}{\partial u^{m-1}} = 0, \quad \frac{1}{m!} \frac{\partial^m f}{\partial u^m}(0, 0) \neq 0.$$

We fix $x_2 = \dots = x_p = 0$, and denote x_1 by x . From Taylor's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, u) &= f(0, u) + x e_1(x, u) \\ &= e_1(x, u) \left(x + \frac{f(0, u)}{e_1(x, u)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Here e_1 is a smooth function; $e_1(0, 0) = (\partial f/\partial x_1)(0, 0)$. Since f is of order m at the origin, we may write

$$f(x, u) = e_1(x, u)(x + u^m e_2(x, u)),$$

where $e_2(x, u)$ is smooth, and $e_2(0, 0) = \{[\partial^m f(0, 0)/\partial u^m]/[m!(\partial f/\partial x_1)(0, 0)]\}$. If x and u are sufficiently small, the implicit function theorem implies that we may introduce a new variable of integration, $v = u |e_2(x, u)|^{1/m}$; thus we obtain

$$(2.1) \quad \gamma(\lambda) \int |f|^\lambda g du = \gamma(\lambda) \int |x \pm v^m|^\lambda g_1(x, v; \lambda) dv,$$

where

$$g_1(x, v; \lambda) = |e_1(x, u)|^\lambda g(x, u) \frac{du}{dv}.$$

By replacing x by $-x$ if necessary, we may bring (2.1) into the form where the plus sign holds.

Now we wish to apply Taylor's theorem to $g_1(x, v; \lambda)$, obtaining a polynomial in v , with a remainder which vanishes rapidly as $v \rightarrow 0$. First we show that, for fixed λ , the corresponding term in the expansion of F will be continuous, and can be made as smooth as desired.

THEOREM 2.1. *If $g(x, u; \lambda)$ has l derivatives with respect to u , and if $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda) = \lambda_1 > -l - 1$, and if $m\lambda_1 + k + 1 > 0$, then*

$$(2.2) \quad I(x, \lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^a |x + u^m|^\lambda u^k g(x, u, \lambda) du$$

is continuous and bounded as a function of x .

Proof. We set $\xi = |x|^{1/m}$, and write $I = I_1 + I_2$, with

$$(2.3) \quad I_1 = \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^{2\xi} |x + u^m|^\lambda u^k g(x, u, \lambda) du,$$

$$(2.4) \quad I_2 = \gamma(\lambda) \int_{2\xi}^a |x + u^m|^\lambda u^k g(x, u, \lambda) du .$$

In (2.3), we introduce $u = \xi v$. Then

$$I_1 = \gamma(\lambda) |x|^{\lambda+(k+1)/m} \int_0^2 \operatorname{sgn} x + v^m |^\lambda v^k g(x, \xi v, \lambda) dv .$$

Continuing this expression with respect to λ in the usual way (see proof of Theorem 1.1), we see that if $m\lambda_1 + k + 1 > 0$, I_1 is continuous and bounded. We may rewrite (2.4) as

$$I_2 = \gamma(\lambda) \int_{2\xi}^a \left| 1 + \frac{x}{u^m} \right|^\lambda u^{k+m\lambda} g(x, u; \lambda) du .$$

Hence,

$$|I_2| \leq \gamma(\lambda) \left| 1 - \frac{1}{2^m} \right|^{\lambda_1} \sup_{0 \leq u \leq a} |g(x, u; \lambda)| \int_0^a u^{k+m\lambda_1} du ,$$

which is clearly bounded if $k + m\lambda_1 + 1 > 0$. The continuity of I_2 follows similarly from the uniform continuity of the integrand.

We remark that smoothness of (2.2) for sufficiently large k follows from formal differentiation of (2.2), and application of Theorem 2.1.

Applying Taylor's theorem to $g_1(x, v; \lambda)$ appearing in (2.1), we see that

$$(2.5) \quad \gamma(\lambda) \int |f|^\lambda g(x, u, \lambda) du = \sum_{j=0}^k g^{(j)}(x, \lambda) \gamma(\lambda) \int |x + v^m|^\lambda v^j dv \\ + \gamma(\lambda) \int |x + v^m|^\lambda v^{k+1} g_2(x, v, \lambda) dv .$$

Theorem 2.1 implies that the remainder is smooth in x for fixed λ , if k is sufficiently large. Evaluation of the singularities of F is therefore reduced to evaluation of the singularities of integrals of the form

$$(2.6) \quad I(x, \lambda) = m\gamma(\lambda) \int_0^a |x + v^m|^\lambda v^{n-1} dv .$$

A change of variables yields an integral of the form

$$(2.7) \quad I(x, \lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^a |x + u|^\lambda u^{\alpha-1} du ,$$

where $\alpha = (n/m)$.

In order to describe the singularities of (2.7) and related integrals, we shall require some facts about certain homogeneous distributions. We set

$$x_+ = \max(x, 0) , \quad x_- = \max(-x, 0) .$$

LEMMA 2.1. *The functionals $[1/\Gamma(\lambda + 1)]x_+^\lambda$ and $[1/\Gamma(\lambda + 1)]x_-^\lambda$ are entire analytic functionals. Moreover,*

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda + 1)} x_+^\lambda \Big|_{\lambda=-p} = \delta^{(p-1)}(x) & (p = 1, 2, \dots) \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda + 1)} x_-^\lambda \Big|_{\lambda=-p} = (-1)^{p-1} \delta^{(p-1)}(x) & (p = 1, 2, \dots) . \end{cases}$$

The proof is in I. M. Gelfand and G. E. Shilov [7], pp. 56-65. It is similar to the latter part of the proof of Theorem 1.1.

The following theorem leads immediately to results about (2.7).

THEOREM 2.2. *If $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) > 0$, the integral*

$$(2.9) \quad J_+(x, \lambda) = \int_0^\alpha \frac{(x+u)_+^\lambda}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \frac{u^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} du$$

may be represented in the form

$$(2.10) \quad \begin{aligned} J_+(x, \lambda) = a_+(\lambda, \alpha) \frac{x_+^{\lambda+\alpha}}{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)} \\ + a_-(\lambda, \alpha) \frac{x_-^{\lambda+\alpha}}{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)} + R(x, \lambda, \alpha) . \end{aligned}$$

Here $R(x, \lambda, \alpha)$ is a smooth function of x for small x , which is regular in λ and α , except for simple poles where $\lambda + \alpha$ is a nonnegative integer. The coefficients a_+ and a_- are regular except for simple poles where $\lambda + \alpha$ is an integer. The sum of the residues at the poles is zero, since $J_+(x, \lambda)$ is regular. We have

$$(2.11) \quad a_+(\lambda, \alpha) = \frac{\sin \pi \lambda}{\sin \pi(\lambda + \alpha)} , \quad a_-(\lambda, \alpha) = \frac{-\sin \pi \alpha}{\sin \pi(\lambda + \alpha)} .$$

We also have, for small x ,

$$(2.12) \quad J_-(x, \lambda) = \int_0^\alpha \frac{(x+u)_-^\lambda}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \frac{u^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} du = \frac{x_-^{\lambda+\alpha}}{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)} .$$

Proof. We shall use analytic continuation in λ and α . First we assume that $-1 < \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) < -1/2$, $0 < \operatorname{Re}(\alpha) < 1/2$. Then we may write

$$(2.13) \quad J_+(x, \lambda) = \int_0^\infty \frac{(x+u)_+^\lambda}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \frac{u^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} du + R(x, \lambda, \alpha) ,$$

with

$$(2.14) \quad R(x, \lambda, \alpha) = - \int_a^\infty \frac{(x+u)_+^\lambda}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \frac{u^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} du .$$

The first integral in (2.13) may be treated by setting $u = |x|v$. The resulting coefficient of $|x|^{\lambda+\alpha}$ may be evaluated in terms of Γ -functions, to produce (2.11). To see that $R(x, \lambda, \alpha)$ is smooth in x , we introduce $v = (1/u)$ as variable of integration in (2.14); thus

$$R(x, \lambda, \alpha) = - \int_v^{1/a} \frac{(1+vx)_+^\lambda}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \frac{v^{-(\alpha+\lambda+1)}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} dv .$$

We may apply Taylor's theorem to $(1+vx)_+^\lambda$, obtaining a polynomial in vx , plus a remainder which vanishes rapidly for $v = 0$. Hence, the residues of R at its poles are powers of x , and the remainder is smooth in x .

Now we continue our representation (2.13) for $Re(\alpha) > 0$. Equation (2.9) shows that $J_+(x, \lambda)$ is regular for $-1 < \lambda < -1/2$ and $Re(\alpha) > 0$. On the other hand, the coefficients $a_\pm(x, \alpha)$ have simple poles for $\lambda + \alpha = \text{integer}$. The residues at these poles are determined by the behavior at ∞ of the integrand in (2.13). Comparing (2.13) and (2.14), we see that the sum of the residues at the poles is zero.

Now we are ready to continue in λ , for fixed α , with $Re(\alpha) > 0$. First we assume that α is not an integer. From (2.10) and (2.11), it is apparent that the only possible singularities of the representation (2.10) are where $\lambda + \alpha$ is an integer. The case where $\lambda + \alpha$ is a nonnegative integer has already been discussed. If $\lambda + \alpha$ is a negative integer, then both $J(x, \lambda)$ and $R(x, \lambda, \alpha)$ are regular. It follows that the sum of the residues of

$$a_+ \frac{x_+^{\lambda+\alpha}}{\Gamma(x+\alpha+1)} \quad \text{and} \quad a_- \frac{x_-^{\lambda+\alpha}}{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)}$$

must be zero. This can be verified by a direct calculation, using Lemma 2.1.

If α is a positive integer, $\alpha = l$, we obtain

$$a_+(x, l) = (-1)^l, \quad a_-(\lambda, l) = 0 .$$

In this case, R is regular in λ , because of the factor $1/\Gamma(\lambda+1)$.

The fact that $(x+u)_+^\lambda + (x+u)_-^\lambda = |x+u|^\lambda$ immediately implies

THEOREM 2.3. *If*

$$(2.15) \quad I(x, \lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^a |x+u|^\lambda u^{\alpha-1} du ,$$

we may write

$$(2.16) \quad I(x, \lambda) = b_+(\lambda, \alpha) \frac{x_+^{\lambda+\alpha}}{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)} \\ + b_-(\lambda, \alpha) \frac{x_-^{\lambda+\alpha}}{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)} + R(x, \lambda, \alpha).$$

Here

$$(2.17) \quad b_+(\lambda, \alpha) = \Gamma(\alpha)\gamma(\lambda)\Gamma(\lambda + 1) \frac{\sin \lambda\pi}{\sin \pi(\lambda + \alpha)}$$

$$(2.18) \quad b_-(\lambda, \alpha) = \Gamma(\alpha)\gamma(\lambda)\Gamma(\lambda + 1) \left[1 - \frac{\sin \pi\alpha}{\sin \pi(\lambda + \alpha)} \right],$$

and $R(x, \lambda, \alpha)$ is a smooth function of x , with poles if $\lambda + \alpha$ is a nonnegative integer.

REMARK. Equation (2.16) may be differentiated with respect to α , to obtain results for

$$\gamma(\lambda) \int_0^a |x + u|^\lambda u^{\alpha-1} \log u \, du.$$

We omit the calculation.

It may be useful to give our results for the leading, or most singular term in the expansion of (1) an explicit form. In this term, only the values of $(\partial f / \partial x_1)(0, 0) = b$, $(1/m!)(\partial^m f / \partial u^m)(0, 0) = c$, and $g(0, 0)$ enter. Taking the most singular term only,

$$F_1(x_1) \sim \gamma(\lambda) \int_{-a}^a |\pm bx + |c| u^m|^\lambda \, du g(0, 0).$$

Setting $v = |c|^{1/m} u$, and $z = b \operatorname{sgn}(c)x$,

$$F_1(x_1) \sim \gamma(\lambda) \int_{-a_1}^{a_1} |z + v^m|^\lambda \, dv \frac{g(0, 0)}{|c| \frac{1}{m}}.$$

If m is even,

$$F_1(x_1) \sim 2\gamma(\lambda) \int_0^{a_1} |z + v^m|^\lambda \, dv \frac{g(0, 0)}{|c| \frac{1}{m}},$$

and if m is odd,

$$F_1(x_1) \sim \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^a (|z + v^m|^\lambda + |-z + v^m|^\lambda) \, dv \frac{g(0, 0)}{|c| \frac{1}{m}}.$$

These integrals may be evaluated by means of Theorem 2.3.

3. Reduction of double integrals to a standard form. We shall consider the integral (1), in the case $n = 2$. As before, the singularity of F near a given point x_0 is associated with points u_0 such that $f(x_0, u_0) = 0$ and $(\partial f/\partial u)(x_0, u_0) = 0$. Such points u_0 may be isolated, or may lie on a curve. In order to evaluate the contribution from a neighborhood of such a curve, we would have to cover it by a system of sufficiently small neighborhoods, taking particular notice of singular points of the curve, and then apply the theory of this section.

Without loss of generality, we may assume that $x_0 = 0$ and $u_0 = 0$. We set $f_0(u) = f(0, u)$. Our method consists in dividing the u -plane into regions, in such a way that distinct roots of f_0 appear in different regions. After a change of variables, f_0 may be represented as the product of a monomial and a nonvanishing function, in each region. The shapes of the regions involved are determined by the Puiseux expansions of the roots of f_0 . We obtained the required regions by an iterative process. If f_0 is analytic, then the process will terminate. In fact, if distinct roots of f_0 have distinct Puiseux expansions, then the process will terminate if $f_0 \in C^\infty$. Since the process involves only a finite number of derivatives of f_0 , it will terminate if f_0 has enough derivatives so that distinct roots have distinct truncated Puiseux expansions.

The integral over a single region assumes the form

$$(3.1) \quad \gamma(\lambda) \iint |x + u^\alpha v^\beta|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g(u, v; \lambda, x) du dv.$$

Integrals of this form will be treated in § 4. Finally, (Lemma 3.1) we show that if f_0 has order m at the origin, then $\min(\gamma/\alpha, \delta/\beta) \geq 1/m$.

As before, we assume that $(\partial f/\partial x_1)(0, 0) \neq 0$, we set $x_2 = x_3 = \dots = x_p = 0$, and we write $x_1 = x$. Then we may write

$$f(x, u) = f_0(u) + x e_1(x, u) = e_1(x, u)(x + f_0(u) E(x, u)).$$

Functions denoted by e_i or E_i are different from zero at the origin. We first consider the simplest case, where the roots of f_0 have distinct tangents at the origin. We write $u_1 = u$, $u_2 = v$. Then $f_0(u_1, u_2) = P_m(u, v) + Q(u, v)$, where P_m is a homogeneous polynomial of degree m , and Q is of order $m + 1$ at the origin. By our assumption, the real roots of P_m are distinct. We introduce a partition of unity on the circle, symmetric about the origin, such that each function of the partition has its support in a region where either $P_m(\cos \theta, \sin \theta) \neq 0$, or $(\partial/\partial \theta)(P_m(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)) \neq 0$. Regions of the first type give rise to an integral of the form

$$(3.2) \quad \gamma(\lambda) \iint |x + r^m E_1(x, r, \theta)|^\lambda |e_1|^\lambda g_1 r d\theta dr.$$

In regions of the second type, we may introduce $V = P_m(\theta) + rQ(r, \theta)$ as a variable of integration; we obtain an integral of the form

$$(3.3) \quad \gamma(\lambda) \iint |x + r^m V E_1|^\lambda g_1(x, r, V, \lambda) r dV dr ,$$

if r is sufficiently small in the support of g_1 .

Now we consider the general case, where P_m may have multiple roots. We shall obtain integrals similar to (3.2) and (3.3), which may be reduced to the form (3.1). By the term "sector" we shall mean a region generated by rotating a line about the origin. Thus a sector will consist of two wedge-shaped regions. By a "strip" we shall mean a region generated by displacement of a line parallel to the u -axis. By a "quadratic transformation" we shall mean a transformation of the form $u = u_1, v = u_1 v_1$. Under a quadratic transformation, a sector in the u, v plane which does not contain the v -axis is transformed into a strip in the u_1, v_1 plane. We shall be integrating over strips and sectors, and we would like to decompose an integral over a strip into a sum of integrals over sectors. We accomplish this by formally extending all integrations over the whole plane. First, we assume that the integrand in (1) has support in a finite disc about the origin. Given any open, finite covering of the unit circle, we can find a C^∞ partition of unity, such that each function $\varphi_j(\theta)$ has its support in one of the covering sets. The functions $\varphi_j(2\theta)$ provide a partition of unity which is constant on lines through the origin, and such that each function of the partition has its support in a sector. After rotation and application of a quadratic transformation, each of the functions φ_j will have support in a strip. Thus, after quadratic transformation, our original integral is transformed into a sum of integrals over strips. Integration over each strip may formally be extended over the whole plane, which in turn may be decomposed into sectors by a partition of unity. This process may be repeated as often as desired. In this way the burden of the complexities of the actual region of integration is thrown on the structure of the final partition of unity.

We cover each of the real roots of $P_m(u, v)$ by a sufficiently small open sector, and choose a covering of the remaining sectors which is finite and does not intersect the roots of P_m . We choose a partition of unity subordinate to this covering. Integrals over sectors which do not contain a root of P_m , or which contain a simple root of P_m , may be treated as before, leading to integrals of the form (3.2) or (3.3). A sector which contains a multiple root of P_m may be rotated so that the root coincides with the new u -axis. Under such a transformation, an expression of the form $u^\alpha v^\beta E(u, v)$, where $E(0, 0) \neq 0$, is transformed into a similar expression. Such expressions remain of the same type under a quadratic expression as well. Hence, after a rotation

and a quadratic transformation, we have

$$E(u, v, x)f_0(u, v) = E(P_m + Q) = u_1^m E_1[P_{m_1}(u_1, v_1) + Q_1] .$$

Here we have divided $P_m + Q$ by u_1^m and collected terms of lowest degree in u_1 and v_1 to obtain $P_{m_1}(u_1, v_1)$. Observe that m_1 is less than or equal to the multiplicity of the root of P_m in question.

Now we apply a similar procedure to P_{m_1} instead of P_m . A second application of the procedure may result in an expression of the form

$$Ef_0 = u_2^\alpha v_2^\beta E_2[P_{m_2} + Q] ,$$

if v_1 divides P_{m_1} , but further applications of the procedure do not result in expressions of more complicated form. We temporarily halt our procedure if Ef_0 assumes the form

$$(3.4) \quad Ef_0 = u_i^\alpha v_i^\beta E_i(v_i + au_i + \dots)^\gamma ,$$

where $a \neq 0$. This situation will always occur if distinct roots of f_0 have distinct (truncated) Puiseux expansions. In particular, if f_0 is analytic, we may apply the Weierstrass preparation theorem to f_0 (see G. A. Bliss [1], pp. 53-55.) Thus after rotation,

$$f_0(u, v) = E(u, v)[u^m + a_j(v)u^{m-1} + \dots + a_m(v)] ,$$

where $E(u, v)$ and $a_j(v)$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$) are analytic and $E(0, 0) \neq 0$. Since the field of fractional power series is algebraically closed, the roots of f_0 may be expanded in Puiseux series (see R. Walker [12], pp. 97-102.) Thus after a finite number of quadratic transformations, the distinct roots of f_0 must belong to distinct sectors, and f_0 will appear as a product of powers of factors whose lowest term is of degree one, multiplied by a nonvanishing function, as shown in (3.4). Hence, after a final rotation and quadratic transformation, we are led to integrals of the form

$$\gamma(\lambda) \int |x + u^\alpha v^\beta E(u, v, x)|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g(u, v, x, \lambda) dudv ,$$

where $\gamma \geq 1$, $\delta \geq 1$. The factor $u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1}$ arises from the Jacobians of the quadratic transformations. Now, using the implicit function theorem, we set $v_1 = v |E(u, v, x)|^{1/\beta}$, for u, v, x sufficiently small and obtain an integral of the form

$$(3.5) \quad \gamma(\lambda) \int \int |\pm x + u^\alpha v_1^\beta|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v_1^{\delta-1} g(u, v_1, x, \lambda) dudv_1 .$$

Thus after appropriate changes of variables, and a partition of unity, the evaluation of (1) is reduced to evaluation of integrals of the form (3.5).

We shall see in the next section that the leading singularity of (3.5) is determined by $\mu = \min(\gamma/\alpha, \delta/\beta)$.

LEMMA 3.1. *If f_0 has order m at the origin, and $g(u, v, s, \lambda)$ has the form $u^{\gamma-1}v^{\delta-1}g_1(u, v, x, \lambda)$, then in all integrals of the form (3.5) which arise by the preceding process, we have $\mu \geq \min(\gamma/m, \delta/m)$.*

Proof. All integrals which arise are of the form

$$I_n = \gamma(\lambda) \iint |x + u^\alpha v^\beta E(P_i + Q)|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g(u, v, x, \lambda) du dv .$$

For such an integral, we define $\mu_n = \min[\gamma/(\alpha + l), \delta/(\beta + l)]$. We show that μ is a nondecreasing function under rotations, quadratic transformations, and (clearly) if a monomial is factored out of $P_i + Q$. The only nontrivial case is a quadratic transformation. Under quadratic transformation,

$$I_{n+1} = \gamma(\lambda) \iint |x + u_1^{\alpha+\beta+l} v_1^\beta E(P_{i_1} + Q_1)|^\lambda u_1^{\gamma+\delta-1} v_1^{\delta-1} g(u_1, u_1 v_1, x, \lambda) du_1 dv_1 .$$

Hence, $\mu_{n+1} = \min[(\gamma + \delta)/(\alpha + \beta + l + l_1), \delta/(\beta + l_1)]$. Since $l_1 \leq l$, we have $\delta/(\beta + l_1) \geq \mu_n$, hence also $(\gamma + \delta)/(\alpha + \beta + l + l_1) \geq \mu_n$.

4. Expansion of double integrals. In this section, we shall expand double integrals of the form

$$(4.1) \quad I(x) = \gamma(\lambda) \iint |x + u^\alpha v^\beta|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g(u, v; \lambda, x) du dv ,$$

in powers of x , using the results of § 2. First we prove Theorem 4.1, which asserts that $I(x)$ is continuous in x if $\gamma + \alpha \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0$ and $\delta + \beta \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0$. Thus if $g(u, v; \lambda, x)$ is written as a sum of functions, with remainder multiplied by a large power of both u and v , then the remainder will give rise to a continuous function of x . The major portion of this section is devoted to expansion of integrals of the form

$$(4.2) \quad J(x) = \gamma(\lambda) \iint_{\substack{u \geq 0 \\ v \geq 0}} |x + u^\alpha v^\beta|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g(v; \lambda, x) \varphi(u) du dv ,$$

where $g(v)$ and $\varphi(u)$ have compact support, and $\varphi(u) \equiv 1$ for small u . The results are summarized as Lemma 4.2. An appropriate expansion of $g(u, v; \lambda, x)$, together with Lemma 4.2 then implies an expansion of (4.1) in powers of x , specified in Theorem 4.2. Finally, we give a more or less explicit formula for the coefficient of the leading or most singular term in the expansion of (4.1).

THEOREM 4.1. *If $\alpha, \beta \geq 0, \gamma, \delta > 0$ and if $\gamma + \alpha \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0$ and*

$\delta + \beta \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) > 0$, and if $g(u, v; \lambda)$ has enough derivatives with respect to u and v , and has compact support in u and v , then the integral (4.1) is bounded and continuous in x , for small x .

Proof. Let $\xi = |x|^{1/\alpha}$. We write

$$I(x) = \gamma(\lambda) \iint_{|u| \leq k\xi} |x + u^\alpha v^\beta|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g \, du \, dv \\ + \gamma(\lambda) \iint_{u > k\xi} |x + u^\alpha v^\beta|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g \, du \, dv, \\ I(x) = I_1 + I_2.$$

We shall specify k presently. In the first integral, we set $u = \xi \mu$. Then

$$I_1 = \gamma(\lambda) \iint_{|\mu| \leq k} \xi^{\alpha\lambda + \gamma} |\pm 1 + \mu^\alpha v^\beta|^\lambda \mu^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g \, d\mu \, dv.$$

Now we choose k so small that $\pm 1 + \mu^\alpha v^\beta$ does not vanish for $|\mu| \leq k$, if v is in the support of g . As in the proof of Theorem 2.1, it follows that I_1 is continuous in x .

In the second integral, we divide by $|u|^\alpha$; thus

$$I_2 = \gamma(\lambda) \iint_{|u| > k\xi} \left| \pm \frac{x}{|u|^\alpha} + v^\beta \right|^\lambda v^{\delta-1} g \, dv (\pm 1) |u|^{\alpha\lambda + \gamma - 1} \, du.$$

Now we may apply Theorem 2.1 to the inner integral taken over v , since $x|u|^{-\alpha}$ is bounded. Since $\beta \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) + \delta > 0$, the inner integral is continuous in x and u for u bounded away from zero, and bounded for u in the region of integration. Hence, since $\alpha \operatorname{Re}(\lambda) + \gamma > 0$, the double integral is continuous in x .

We proceed to the statement and proof of Lemma 4.1. Starting with (4.2), we set $\mu = u^\alpha$, $\nu = v^\beta$, $p = \gamma/\alpha$, $q = \delta/\beta$, $r = 1/\beta$, $\varphi_1(\mu) = \varphi(\mu^{1/\alpha})$. Thus

$$J(x) = \gamma(\lambda) \iint_{\substack{\mu \geq 0 \\ \nu \geq 0}} |x + \mu\nu|^\lambda \mu^{p-1} \nu^{q-1} g(\nu^r; x, \lambda) \varphi_1(\mu) \frac{d\mu \, d\nu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

We recall that $\varphi_1(\mu) \equiv 1$ for small μ . Introducing $w = \mu\nu$ as a new variable of integration, we have

$$(4.3) \quad J(x) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^\infty |x + w|^\lambda k(w; x, \lambda) \, dw,$$

where

$$(4.4) \quad k(w; x, \lambda) = \int_0^\infty g\left(\frac{w^r}{\mu^r}; x, \lambda\right) \varphi_1(\mu) w^{q-1} \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

For $w \neq 0$, the integral exists and is smooth, since g and φ_1 have

compact support. For the same reason, k has compact support in w . It follows that the singularities of $J(x)$ for small x are determined by the behavior of $k(w; x, \lambda)$ for small w . This is precisely the statement that the singularities of (4.2) are associated with the u and v axes. Since x and λ play the role of parameters in the following, we shall usually not indicate their presence.

LEMMA 4.1. *For small w , the function $k(w)$, defined by (4.4), with $p, q, r > 0$, may be represented in the form*

$$(4.5) \quad k(w) = a_0 w^{p-1} + a_0^1 w^{p-1} \log w + \sum_{i=0}^L b_i w^{q+lr-1} + w^{q+(L+1)r-1} R(w^r),$$

for any L , if g has enough derivatives. The coefficients a_0, a_0^1, b_i depend on x and λ , and are given by certain of the formulas (4.6–4.23). The coefficient a_0^1 vanishes unless $p = q + Jr$, for some integer $J \geq 0$. The remainder $R(w^r)$ is smooth for small values of its argument.

Proof. We distinguish three cases:

- (A) $q > p$,
- (B) $q < p$, $p \neq q + Jr$ for any integer J , and
- (C) $q = p + Jr$, $J = \text{integer} \geq 0$.

A. If $q > p$, we define

$$k_0(w) = w^{q-1} \int_0^\infty g\left(\frac{w^r}{\mu^r}\right) \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

If $w \neq 0$, this integral exists, since g has compact support. Making a change of variables,

$$k_0(w) = w^{p-1} \int_0^\infty g(\nu^r) \nu^{q-p-1} \frac{d\nu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

Hence, we have $k_0(w) = w^{p-1} a_0(x, \lambda)$, with

$$(4.6) \quad a_0(x, \lambda) = \int_0^\infty g(\nu^r; x, \lambda) \nu^{q-p-1} \frac{d\nu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

Now we may write

$$(4.7) \quad k(w) = a_0 w^{p-1} + w^{q-1} \int_0^\infty g\left(\frac{w^r}{\mu^r}\right) [\varphi_1(\mu) - 1] \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

We observe that $\varphi_1(\mu) - 1$ vanishes for small μ . Hence, g may be expanded in powers of w^r/μ^r , leading to an expansion of $k(w)$ in powers of w^r . We have

$$(4.8) \quad b_l(x, \lambda) = \frac{1}{l!} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \right)^l g(v; x, \lambda) \Big|_{v=0} \int_0^\infty [\varphi_1(\mu) - 1] \mu^{p-q-lr-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

B. If $q < p$, $q + (J - 1)r < p < q + Jr$, for some positive integer J , we write

$$g(v)\varphi(\mu) = \left(\sum_0^{J-1} g_l v^l \right) \varphi(u) + \left(g(v) - \sum_0^{J-1} g_l v^l \right) \\ + \left(g(v) - \sum_0^{J-1} g_l v^l \right) (\varphi(u) - 1);$$

here

$$g_l(x, \lambda) = \frac{1}{l!} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \right)^l g(v; x, \lambda) \Big|_{v=0}.$$

Thus $k(w) = k_1(w) + k_2(w) + k_3(w)$, with

$$(4.9) \quad k_1(w) = \int_0^\infty \sum_{l=0}^{J-1} g_l \frac{w^{lr}}{\mu^{lr}} \varphi_1(\mu) w^{q-1} \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta},$$

$$(4.10) \quad k_2(w) = \int_0^\infty \left[g\left(\frac{w^r}{\mu^r}\right) - \sum g_l \frac{w^{lr}}{\mu^{lr}} \right] w^{q-1} \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta},$$

$$(4.11) \quad k_3(w) = \int_0^\infty \left[g\left(\frac{w^r}{\mu^r}\right) - \sum g_l \frac{w^{lr}}{\mu^{lr}} \right] [\varphi_1(\mu) - 1] \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

The integral (4.9) exists, since for $0 \leq l \leq J - 1$, $p - lr - q > 0$, and φ_1 has compact support. In fact, we have

$$k_1(w) = \sum_{l=0}^{J-1} b_l w^{q+lr-1},$$

with

$$(4.12) \quad b_l(x, \lambda) = g_l(x, \lambda) \int_0^\infty \varphi_1(\mu) \mu^{p-lr-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}, \quad (0 \leq l \leq J - 1).$$

The integral (4.10) exists for $w \neq 0$, since, for small μ , $g(w^r/\mu^r)$ vanishes, and $p - lr - q > 0$. For large μ , the quantity inside the brackets may be written as $w^J \mu^{-J} h(w/\mu)$, where h is a smooth function. Hence, k_2 is integrable at ∞ . A change of variables shows that

$$k_2(w) = w^{p-1} \int_0^\infty [g(\nu^r; x, \lambda) - \sum g_l(x, \lambda) \nu^{lr}] \nu^{q-p-1} \frac{d\nu}{\alpha\beta};$$

thus

$$(4.13) \quad a_0(x, \lambda) = \int_0^\infty [g(\nu^r; x, \lambda) - \sum g_l(x, \lambda) \nu^{lr}] \nu^{q-p-1} \frac{d\nu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

Finally, we observe that (4.11) may be written in the form

$$(4.14) \quad k_3(w) = w^{q+Jr-1} \int_0^\infty h\left(\frac{w^r}{\mu^r}\right) [\varphi_1(\mu) - 1] \mu^{p-Jr-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

This integral may be treated in the same manner as (4.7).

C. If $p = q + Jr$, J is a nonnegative integer. This case is similar to the preceding one. We shall use the Heaviside function

$$H(1 - v) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v \geq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } v < 1. \end{cases}$$

We may write

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(u)g(v) &= \sum_{l=0}^{J-1} (g_l v^l) \varphi(u) + \left[g(v) - \sum_{l=0}^{J-1} g_l v^l - H(1-v)g_J v^J \right] \\ &+ \left[g(v) - \sum_{l=0}^{J-1} g_l v^l - H(1-v)g_J v^J \right] [\varphi(u) - 1] \\ &+ H(1-v)g_J v^J H(1-u) + H(1-v)g_J v^J [\varphi(u) - H(1-u)]. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $k(w) = \sum_{j=1}^5 k_j(w)$, with

$$(4.15) \quad k_1(w) = \int_0^\infty \left(\sum_l g_l w^{lr} \mu^{-lr} \right) \varphi_1(\mu) w^{q-1} \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta},$$

$$(4.16) \quad k_2(w) = \int_0^\infty [g(w^r \mu^{-r}) - \sum g_l w^{lr} \mu^{-lr} - H(1-w\mu^{-1})g_J w^{Jr} \mu^{-Jr}] w^{q-1} \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta},$$

$$(4.17) \quad k_3(w) = \int_0^\infty [g(w^r \mu^{-r}) - \sum g_l w^{lr} \mu^{-lr} - H(1-w\mu^{-1})g_J w^{Jr} \mu^{-Jr}] (\varphi_1(\mu) - 1) w^{q-1} \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta},$$

$$(4.18) \quad k_4(w) = \int_0^\infty H\left(1 - \frac{w}{\mu}\right) g_J w^{Jr} \mu^{-Jr} H(1-\mu) w^{q-1} \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta},$$

$$(4.19) \quad k_5(w) = \int_0^\infty H(1-w\mu^{-1})g_J w^{Jr} \mu^{-Jr} \times [\varphi_1(\mu) - H(1-\mu)] w^{q-1} \mu^{p-q-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

The integral (4.15) is identical with (4.9); thus the coefficients $b_l (l = 0, \dots, J-1)$ are given by (4.12). The integral (4.16) is similar to (4.10). By analogous reasoning, we conclude that $k_2(w) = w^{p-1} c_0(x, \lambda)$, with

$$(4.20) \quad c_0(x, \lambda) = \int_0^\infty [g(\nu^r) - \sum g_l \nu^{lr} - H(1-\nu)g_J \nu^{Jr}] \nu^{-lr-1} \frac{d\nu}{\alpha\beta};$$

the coefficient $a_0(x, \lambda)$ will also involve a contribution from $k_3(w)$. In the integral (4.17), we observe that the integrand vanishes for small μ . Hence, for small w , $H(1 - w\mu^{-1}) \equiv 1$, in the region of integration. Thus, if $v^{r+1}h(v) = g(v) - \sum_0^J g_l v^l$, we may write

$$(4.21) \quad k_3(w) = w^{p+r-1} \int_0^\infty h(w^r \mu^{-r}) [\varphi_1(\mu) - 1] \mu^{-r-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta},$$

for small w . Thus $k_3(w)$ may be expanded in powers of w^r , in the same manner as (4.7).

The integral (3.22) exists for $w \neq 0$, since integration may be taken over a finite segment excluding the origin. After a change of variables,

$$k_4(w) = -\frac{g_J}{\alpha\beta} w^{p-1} \log w.$$

Hence

$$(4.22) \quad a_0^1(x, \lambda) = -\frac{g_J}{\alpha\beta}(x, \lambda).$$

Finally, for small w ,

$$k_5(w) = w^{p-1} g_J \int_0^\infty [\varphi_1(\mu) - H(1 - \mu)] \mu^{-1} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

Combining this result with (4.20), we have

$$(4.23) \quad a_0(x, \lambda) = c_0(x, \lambda) + g_J(x, \lambda) \int_0^\infty \frac{\varphi_1(\mu) - H(1 - \mu)}{\mu} \frac{d\mu}{\alpha\beta}.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 4.1.

Now we may apply Theorem 2.2 to the integral (4.3). Lemma 4.1 immediately implies

LEMMA 4.2. $J(x)$, given by (4.3), has an expansion in distributions homogeneous of degrees $\lambda + p, \lambda + q + lr (0 \leq l \leq L)$, possibly including a term of the form $a_0^\pm c_\pm x^{\lambda+p} \log|x|$.

It follows that there is a similar expansion of $I(x)$, given by (4.1), provided that $g(u, v; x, \lambda)$ can be represented as a sum of terms of the form $g(v; x, \lambda)\varphi(u)$, plus a remainder multiplied by large powers of both u and v . We define the second difference quotient

$$\begin{aligned} g_{12}(u, v; x, \lambda) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial u \partial v}(us, vt; x, \lambda) ds dt \\ &= \frac{1}{uv} [g(u, v) - g(u, 0) - g(0, v) + g(0, 0)]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$(4.24) \quad g(u, v) = g(u, o) - g(o, v) - g(o, o) + uv g_{12}(u, v).$$

Clearly, g_{12} is smooth if g is smooth. Unfortunately, the terms on the right hand side of (4.24) do not have compact support in u and v . Although this difficulty could be circumvented by a systematic use of finite-part integrals, we prefer to work with functions with compact support.

Let φ be a C^∞ function with compact support, which is even, and such that $\varphi \equiv 1$ in a neighborhood of the origin. We define $h(u, v)$ by the equation

$$(4.25) \quad g(u, v) = g(u, o) \varphi(v) + g(o, v) \varphi(u) - g(o, o) \varphi(u) \varphi(v) + uv h(u, v).$$

Using (4.24), we may write

$$\begin{aligned} h(u, v) = & \left(\frac{g(u, o) - g(o, o)}{u} \right) \left(\frac{1 - \varphi(v)}{v} \right) + \left(\frac{g(o, v) - g(o, o)}{v} \right) \left(\frac{1 - \varphi(u)}{u} \right) \\ & + g(o, o) \left(\frac{\varphi(u) - 1}{u} \right) \left(\frac{\varphi(v) - 1}{v} \right) + g_{12}(u, v); \end{aligned}$$

hence h is a smooth function. We may apply the same process to $h(u, v)$, and thus obtain a remainder for g with the factor $u^2 v^2$. The process will terminate only if g ceases to have the required derivatives.

We conclude that, after breaking the region of integration into quadrants, $I(x)$ may be represented as a sum of integrals of the form (4.2), plus a smooth remainder. Thus we have

THEOREM 4.2. *$I(x)$, given by (4.1), has an expansion in distributions homogeneous of degrees*

$$\lambda + \frac{\gamma + m}{\alpha} \quad (0 \leq m \leq M), \quad \lambda + \frac{\delta + l}{\beta} \quad (0 \leq l \leq L),$$

plus terms of the form $d_{\pm} x_{\pm}^{\gamma} \log(x)$, in case $(\gamma + m)/\alpha = (\delta + l)/\beta = \sigma$ for certain l and m . The remainder has order greater than $\min [(\gamma + M)/\alpha, (\delta + L)/\beta]$.

Now we shall compute the most singular term in the expansion of $I(x)$. We break the region of integration into quadrants, and evaluate the contribution from a single quadrant. The complete result would depend on the parity of $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$. As before, we write $p = \gamma/\alpha$, $q = \delta/\beta$. Observe that a lower bound on p and q is given by Lemma 3.1.

A. If $p < q$, we write, from (4.25),

$$g(u, v) = g(o, v) \varphi(u) + [g(u, o) - g(o, o) \varphi(u)] \varphi(v) + uvh(u, v).$$

Since $g(u, o) - g(o, o) \varphi(u)$ is smooth and vanishes for $u = o$, the leading term arises from $g(o, v) \varphi(v)$. From Lemma 4.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} I_{++}(x) &= \gamma(\lambda) \iint_{\substack{u > 0 \\ v > 0}} |x + u^\alpha v^\beta|^\lambda u^{\gamma-1} v^{\delta-1} g(u, v; x, \lambda) du dv \\ &= \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^\infty |x + w|^\lambda [a_0 w^{p-1} + o(w^{p-1})] dw; \end{aligned}$$

from (4.6) we have

$$a_0(x, \lambda) = \int_0^\infty g(o, v; x, \lambda) v^{\delta-\beta\gamma/\alpha} \frac{dv}{\alpha}.$$

The leading term of $I_{++}(x)$ is given by Theorem 2.3.

B. If $q < p$, we have, similarly,

$$I_{++}(x) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^\infty |x + w|^\lambda [b_0 w^{q-1} + o(w^{q-1})] dw,$$

with

$$b_0(x, \lambda) = \int_0^\infty g(u, o; x, \lambda) u^{\gamma-\alpha\delta/\beta} \frac{du}{\beta}.$$

C. If $p = q$, we write

$$g(u, v) = g(u, o) \varphi(v) + g(o, v) \varphi(u) - g(o, o) \varphi(u) \varphi(v) + uvh(u, v).$$

Applying Lemma 4.1 to each of the first three terms, we obtain

$$I_{++}(x) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_0^\infty |x + w|^\lambda [a_0 w^{p-1} + a_0^1 w^{p-1} \log |w| + o(w^{p-1})] dw,$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} a_0(x, \lambda) &= \int_0^\infty [g(o, v) - H(1-v)g(o, o)] v^{-1} \frac{dv}{\alpha} \\ &\quad + \int_0^\infty [g(u, o) - H(1-u)g(o, o)] u^{-1} \frac{du}{\beta}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$a_0^1(x, \lambda) = - \frac{g(o, o; x, \lambda)}{\alpha\beta}.$$

We remark that the preceding integrals are the finite parts of the integrals

$$\int_0^\infty g(o, v) \frac{dv}{\alpha v}, \text{ and } \int_0^\infty g(u, o) \frac{du}{\beta u}.$$

5. **Integrals with nonvanishing Hessian.** We consider integrals of the form

$$(5.1) \quad F(x, \lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \int_\sigma |f(x, u)|^\lambda g(x, u) du,$$

where $x \in X \subset R^p$, $u \in U \subset R^n$, and g has support in the interior of the bounded set U . We assume that the Hessian matrix $[\partial^2 f / (\partial u_i \partial u_k)]$ is nonsingular for all $x \in X$ and $u \in U$. In this case, a rather simple description of the singularity of F can be given, using only the results of § 2. Our method consists in a change of variables of integration, which enables us to write $f(x, u) = \tilde{f}(x) \pm U_1^2 \pm \cdots \pm U_n^2$. An application of Theorems 2.2 and 2.3 then shows that F can be expressed in terms of $\tilde{f}_\pm^{\lambda \pm n/2}$. Similar results have been obtained by a number of authors, for example J. Leray [9], L. Gårding [6], G. F. D. Duff [3], D. Ludwig [10].

Theorem 1.2 implies that the singularities of F are associated with points x_0, u_0 where both $f(x_0, u_0) = 0$ and $[(\partial f / \partial u)(x_0, u_0)] = 0$. Thus we may analyse the singularity of F near x_0 by covering the associated point or points u_0 by a finite collection of sufficiently small neighborhoods and choosing a partition of unity. We shall assume that this has been done. The size of the neighborhoods will be determined from the following discussion.

Since the Hessian matrix is nonsingular, we may determine $u = u_0(x)$ from the equations $(\partial f / \partial u)(x, u) = 0$ in a neighborhood of x_0 . We write $u = u_0(x) + v$, $f_1(x, v) = f(x, u_0(x) + v)$. We can perform a rotation in the v -space so that the matrix $[\partial^2 f_1 / (\partial v_i \partial v_k)]$ is diagonal at $x = x_0$, $v = 0$. Now we determine $\tilde{v}_1(x, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ from the equation $\partial f_1 / \partial v_1 = 0$. Hence

$$f_1(x, v) = f_1(x, \tilde{v}_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) + (v - \tilde{v}_1)^2 e_1(x, v),$$

where $e_1(x, v)$ does not vanish for x near x_0 , if v is small. Applying this process to v_2, \dots, v_n in succession, we obtain

$$f_1(x, v) = f_1(x, 0) + \sum_{j=1}^n (v_j - \tilde{v}_j)^2 e_j(x, v),$$

for x near x_0 , and for v sufficiently small. This type of result is known as Morse's lemma (see M. Morse [11].) We set

$$V_j = (v_j - \tilde{v}_j) |e_j(x, v)|^{1/2},$$

and

$$\tilde{f}(x) = f_1(x, 0) = f(x, u_0(x)).$$

Introducing V as variable of integration, we have F as a sum of integrals of the form

$$(5.2) \quad I(x, \lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \int |\tilde{f}(x) \pm V_1^2 \cdots \pm V_n^2|^\lambda g_1(x, V) dV.$$

We note that

$$g_1(x, 0) = g(x, u_0(x)) 2^{n/2} \Delta^{-1/2},$$

where

$$\Delta = \left| \det \left(\frac{\partial^2 f_1}{\partial v_i \partial v_k} \right) \right|.$$

This integral could be handled by an application of Theorems 2.2 and 2.3 n times; we prefer to apply the theorems only twice. After rearrangement of indices, we may assume that

$$e_1(x, v) > 0, \dots e_k(x, v) > 0,$$

$e_{k+1}(x, v) < 0, \dots e_{k+l}(x, v) < 0$. Here $k + l = n$. We write

$$r_1^2 = V_1^2 + \dots V_k^2; r_2^2 = V_{k+1}^2 + \dots V_{k+l}^2.$$

Then

$$I(x, \lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \iint \left| \tilde{f}(x) + r_1^2 - r_2^2 \right|^\lambda \times \int g_1(x, r_1 \omega_1, r_2 \omega_2) d\omega_1 d\omega_2 r_1^{k-1} r_2^{l-1} dr_1 dr_2.$$

Here ω_1 and ω_2 represent the corresponding angular variables. Integrating first over these angular variables we obtain

$$I(x, \lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \iint \left| \tilde{f}(x) + r_1^2 - r_2^2 \right|^\lambda g_2(x, r_1^2, r_2^2) r_1^{k-1} r_2^{l-1} dr_1 dr_2.$$

We note that g_2 is regular in r_1^2 and r_2^2 , and

$$g_2(x, 0, 0) = \frac{4(2\pi)^{n/2}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{l}{2}\right)} \Delta^{-1/2} g(x, u_0(x)).$$

Now we may expand g_2 in integral powers of r_1^2 and r_2^2 ; for fixed λ the remainder will be smooth in x if enough terms are taken. It therefore suffices to find the singularity of a single term of the form

$$(5.3) \quad J(x, \lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \int\int_{\substack{s_1 \geq 0 \\ s_2 \geq 0}} |\tilde{f}(x) + s_1 - s_2|^\lambda s_1^{k/2-1} s_2^{l/2-1} ds_1 ds_2.$$

The leading term of $I(x, \lambda)$ will have precisely the form (5.3), multiplied by

$$\frac{(2\pi)^{n/2}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{k}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{l}{2}\right)} \Delta^{-1/2} g(x, u_0(x)).$$

Now applying Theorem 2.3, we see that

$$J(x, \lambda) = \gamma(\lambda) \Gamma\left(\frac{l}{2}\right) \Gamma(\lambda + 1) \left[\frac{\sin \pi\left(\lambda + \frac{l}{2}\right) - \sin \pi \frac{l}{2}}{\sin \pi\left(\lambda + \frac{l}{2}\right)} I_+ + \frac{\sin \pi \lambda}{\sin \pi\left(\lambda + \frac{l}{2}\right)} I_- \right] + R(x, \lambda),$$

where

$$I_\pm = \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(\lambda + \frac{l}{2} + 1\right)} \int_{s_1 > 0} (\tilde{f}(x) + s_1)_\pm^{\lambda+l/2} s_1^{k/2-1} ds_1,$$

and $R(x, \lambda)$ is regular. Now applying Theorem 2.2 to I_\pm , we find that

$$J(x, \lambda) = \Gamma\left(\frac{l}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) \gamma(\lambda) \Gamma(\lambda + 1) \times \left[\frac{\sin \pi\left(\lambda + \frac{l}{2}\right) - \sin \pi \frac{l}{2}}{\sin \pi\left(\lambda + \frac{n}{2}\right)} \frac{\tilde{f}_+^{\lambda+(n/2)}}{\Gamma\left(\lambda + \frac{n}{2} + 1\right)} + \frac{\sin \pi\left(\lambda + \frac{k}{2}\right) - \sin \pi \frac{k}{2}}{\sin \pi\left(\lambda + \frac{n}{2}\right)} \frac{\tilde{f}_-^{\lambda+(n/2)}}{\Gamma\left(\lambda + \frac{n}{2} + 1\right)} \right] + R_2(x, \lambda).$$

Hence the leading term of $I(x, \lambda)$ is given by

$$(5.4) \quad (2\pi)^{n/2} \Delta^{-1/2} g(x, u_0(x)) \times \left[d_+ \frac{\tilde{f}_+^{\lambda+n/2}}{\Gamma\left(\lambda + \frac{n}{2} + 1\right)} + d_- \frac{\tilde{f}_-^{\lambda+n/2}}{\Gamma\left(\lambda + \frac{n}{2} + 1\right)} \right],$$

with

$$(5.5) \quad d_+ = \gamma(\lambda) \Gamma(\lambda + 1) \left[\frac{\sin \pi \left(\lambda + \frac{l}{2} \right) - \sin \pi \frac{l}{2}}{\sin \pi \left(\lambda + \frac{n}{2} \right)} \right],$$

$$(5.6) \quad d_- = \gamma(\lambda) \Gamma(\lambda + 1) \left[\frac{\sin \pi \left(\lambda + \frac{k}{2} \right) - \sin \pi \frac{k}{2}}{\sin \pi \left(\lambda + \frac{n}{2} \right)} \right].$$

The coefficients d_{\pm} have simple poles as functions of λ according to the following scheme:

If k and l are both even, there are poles if λ is of the form $-2q$, q integer ≥ 0 .

If h and l are both odd, there are poles if $\lambda = -2q - 1$, q integer ≥ 0 .

If $k + l$ is odd, there are poles if $\lambda = q + 1/2$, q any integer.

Since $I(x, \lambda)$ is regular for all λ , of course the sum of the residues at these poles is zero.

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