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**Mathematics.** — *The values of some definite integrals connected with Bessel functions*’. By Dr. W. KAPTEYN.

The integrals referred to are

$$P = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos(x \sin \theta) - \cos(x \sin \varphi)}{\cos \theta + \cos \varphi} d\theta,$$

$$Q = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin(x \sin \theta) \sin \theta - \sin(x \sin \varphi) \sin \varphi}{\cos \theta + \cos \varphi} d\theta,$$

$$R = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos(x \cos \theta) - \cos(x \cos \varphi)}{\cos \theta + \cos \varphi} d\theta,$$

$$S = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin(x \cos \theta) \cos \theta - \sin(x \cos \varphi) \cos \varphi}{\cos \theta + \cos \varphi} d\theta.$$

If in these integrals we insert the wellknown equations

$$\cos(x \sin \theta) = I_0 + 2 I_2 \cos 2\theta + 2 I_4 \cos 4\theta + \dots$$

$$\sin(x \sin \theta) \sin \theta = I_1 (1 - \cos 2\theta) + I_3 (\cos 2\theta - \cos 4\theta) + \dots$$

$$\cos(x \cos \theta) = I_0 - 2 I_2 \cos 2\theta + 2 I_4 \cos 4\theta - \dots$$

$$\sin(x \cos \theta) \cos \theta = I_1 (1 + \cos 2\theta) - I_3 (\cos 2\theta + \cos 4\theta) + \dots$$

where  $I_p$  stands for the Bessel function  $I_p(x)$  of order  $p$ , and if we write

$$A_{2n} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos 2n\theta - \cos 2n\varphi}{\cos \theta + \cos \varphi} d\varphi$$

it is easy to find

$$P = I_0 A_0 + 2 I_2 A_2 + 2 I_4 A_4 + \dots$$

$$Q = I_1 A_0 + (I_3 - I_1) A_2 + (I_5 - I_3) A_4 + \dots$$

$$R = -2 I_2 A_2 + 2 I_4 A_4 - 2 I_6 A_6 + \dots$$

$$S = I_1 A_2 - I_3 (A_2 + A_4) + I_5 (A_4 + A_6) - \dots$$

In order to determine  $A_{2n}$  I notice that

$$(a) \quad \sin \varphi \frac{\cos 2n\theta - \cos 2n\varphi}{\cos \theta + \cos \varphi} = -\sin 2n\varphi + 2 \sin (2n-1)\varphi \cos \theta - \\ - 2 \sin (2n-2)\varphi \cos 2\theta + \dots \\ + 2 \sin \varphi \cos (2n-1)\theta$$

This formula can be proved as follows :

If we multiply the 2<sup>nd</sup> member of this equation by  $\cos \theta + \cos \varphi$  we find

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{2nd member} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \times \cos \theta = \sin(2n-1)\varphi + \sum_{\rho=1}^{2n-1} (-1)^\rho [\sin(2n-\rho+1)\varphi + \sin(2n-\rho-1)\varphi] \cos p\theta + \\ \quad + \sin \varphi \cos 2n\theta \\ \times \cos \varphi = -\sin 2n\varphi \cos \varphi + \sum_{\rho=1}^{2n-1} (-1)^{\rho-1} [\sin(2n-\rho+1)\varphi + \sin(2n-\rho-1)\varphi] \cos p\theta; \end{array} \right. \end{array} \right\}$$

so the sum becomes

$$\sin(2n-1)\varphi - \sin 2n\varphi \cos \varphi + \sin \varphi \cos 2n\theta = \sin \varphi (\cos 2n\theta - \cos 2n\varphi).$$

From the formula (a) follows immediately

$$A_{2n} = -2\pi \frac{\sin 2n\varphi}{\sin \varphi}.$$

If we replace this value in the expressions just found, we arrive at

$$P = -\frac{4\pi}{\sin \varphi} [I_2 \sin 2\varphi + I_4 \sin 4\varphi + I_6 \sin 6\varphi + \dots],$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= -\frac{2\pi}{\sin \varphi} [(I_3 - I_1) \sin 2\varphi + (I_5 - I_3) \sin 4\varphi + \dots], \\ &= 4\pi [I_1 \cos \varphi + I_3 \cos 3\varphi + I_5 \cos 5\varphi \dots], \end{aligned}$$

$$R = \frac{4\pi}{\sin \varphi} [I_2 \sin 2\varphi - I_4 \sin 4\varphi + I_6 \sin 6\varphi - \dots],$$

$$\begin{aligned} S &= -\frac{2\pi}{\sin \varphi} [I_1 \sin 2\varphi - I_3 (\sin 2\varphi + \sin 4\varphi) + I_5 (\sin 4\varphi + \sin 6\varphi) \dots], \\ &= -\frac{4\pi \cos \varphi}{\sin \varphi} [I_1 \sin \varphi - I_3 \sin 3\varphi + I_5 \sin 5\varphi - \dots]. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover from the formula (a) we can deduce another result:

When we develop

$$\frac{\cos 2n\theta - \cos 2n\varphi}{\cos \theta + \cos \varphi} = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + a_1 \cos \theta + a_2 \cos 2\theta + \dots$$

then we know that

$$a_p = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\cos 2n\theta - \cos 2n\varphi}{\cos \theta + \cos \varphi} \cos p\theta d\theta$$

If we compare this to the equation (a) we arrive at

$$a_p = (-1)^{p-1} 2 \frac{\sin(2n-p)\varphi}{\sin \varphi}$$

for  $p = 0, 1, 2, \dots, (2n-1)$ , whilst for greater values of  $p$  we have  $a_p = 0$ .