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## COMPLEX INVERSION FORMULAS FOR THE OBRECHKOFF TRANSFORM

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In 1958 N. Obrechhoff had introduced a generalization of the integral transforms of Laplace and Meijer. One of the authors had considered a modification of the Obrechhoff transform, which can be used as a transform basis for an operational calculus for the general Bessel-type differential operator

$$B = t^{\alpha_0} \frac{d}{dt} t^{\alpha_1} \dots \frac{d}{dt} t^{\alpha_m}$$

with  $\beta = m - (\alpha_0 + \dots + \alpha_m) > 0$ .

In this paper some new results for this transform are given. Interesting relations of the modified Obrechhoff transform with the one-dimensional and the  $m$ -dimensional Laplace transforms are proved. Three different complex inversion formulas are found.

In [1] N. Obrechhoff had introduced the following generalization of the integral transforms of Laplace and Meijer:

$$(1) \quad F(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \Phi(xt) f(t) dt$$

with the kernel-function

$$\Phi(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \dots \int_0^{\infty} u_1^{\alpha_1} \dots u_p^{\alpha_p} \exp\left(-u_1 - \dots - u_p - \frac{x}{u_1 \dots u_p}\right) du_1 \dots du_p$$

with arbitrary real  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p$ . In the same paper a real inversion formula of Post-Widder type is found. Now we propose a complex inversion formula in several variants for a modification of the Obrechhoff transform (1). This modification has been introduced in [2].

**Definition 1.** Let  $\gamma_1 \leq \gamma_2 \leq \dots \leq \gamma_m$  be an arbitrary sequence of real numbers,  $\beta > 0$  is arbitrary too, and

$$K(z) = \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \dots \int_0^{\infty}}_{m-1} \exp\left(-u_1 - \dots - u_{m-1} - \frac{z}{u_1 \dots u_{m-1}}\right) \prod_{k=1}^{m-1} u_k^{\gamma_k - \gamma_m - 1} du_1 \dots du_{m-1}.$$

The integral transform

$$(2) \quad \mathfrak{R}_{\gamma} \{f(t); z\} = \beta \int_0^{\infty} K[(zt)^{\beta}] t^{\beta(\gamma_m + 1) - 1} f(t) dt$$

defined for functions on  $0 \leq t < \infty$ , is said to be the modified Obrechhoff transform.

For the sake of brevity we shall call (2) Obrechhoff transform. It is determined by the non-decreasing sequence  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_m)$  and by the exponent  $\beta > 0$ .

**Definition 2.**  $\Omega$  is the space of locally integrable functions  $f(t)$  in  $(0, \infty)$  which are  $O(t^p)$  with arbitrary  $p > \alpha = -\beta(\gamma_1 + 1)$  for  $t \rightarrow +0$ , and are  $O(\exp \lambda t^{\beta/m})$  for  $t \rightarrow \infty$  with an arbitrary real  $\lambda$ .

In [2] is shown that each  $f(t) \in \Omega$  has well defined Obrechhoff transform  $\mathfrak{R}_\gamma \{f(t); z\}$  as an analytic function in the truncated angle domain  $D_f = \{z: \operatorname{Re} z > \lambda\} \cap \{z: |\arg z| < \pi m/2\beta\}$ . In the same paper the convolution of the Obrechhoff transform (2) is found, and its relation to the  $m$ -dimensional Laplace transform is established. For the sake of completeness, we give the corresponding result with its proof.

**Theorem 1.** If  $f(t) \in \Omega$ , then

$$(3) \quad \mathfrak{R}_\gamma \{f(t); (z_1 \dots z_m)^{1/\beta}\} = \left( \prod_{k=1}^m z_k^{\gamma_k - \gamma_m} \right) \mathfrak{L}_m \{ f[(t_1 \dots t_m)^{1/\beta}] \prod_{k=1}^m t_k^{\gamma_k}; z_1, \dots, z_m \},$$

where by  $\mathfrak{L}_m$  is denoted the  $m$ -dimensional Laplace transform

$$\mathfrak{L}_m \{ \varphi(t_1, \dots, t_m); z_1, \dots, z_m \} = \int_0^\infty \dots \int_0^\infty \exp(-z_1 t_1 - \dots - z_m t_m) \varphi(t_1, \dots, t_m) dt_1 \dots dt_m.$$

**Proof.** Relation (3) can be written in the form

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} & \beta \int_0^\infty \dots \int_0^\infty \exp[-u_1 - \dots - u_m - (z_1 \dots z_{m-1} t^\beta)/(u_1 \dots u_{m-1})] \\ & \quad \times \prod_{k=1}^{m-1} u_k^{\gamma_k - \gamma_m - 1} du_1 \dots du_{m-1} t^{\beta(\gamma_m + 1) - 1} f(t) dt \\ & = \prod_{k=1}^m z_k^{\gamma_k - \gamma_m} \int_0^\infty \dots \int_0^\infty \exp(-z_1 t_1 - \dots - z_m t_m) f[(t_1 \dots t_m)^{1/\beta}] \prod_{k=1}^m t_k^{\gamma_k} dt_1 \dots dt_m. \end{aligned}$$

According to the "edge of the wedge theorem" (see [3]), it is sufficient to prove (4) only for real  $z_k > 0, k=1, 2, \dots, m$ . In this case we make the substitution  $u_k = z_k t_k, k=1, 2, \dots, m-1, t = (t_1 \dots t_m)^{1/\beta}$  in the left-hand side of (4). Though the corresponding integral is improper, it is easy to see that the standard theorem for a variables change can freely be used. After routine transformations, the left-hand side of (4) can be transformed into the right-hand side.

Now, using the relation (3), we receive a complex inversion formula for the Obrechhoff transform.

**Theorem 2.** If  $f(t) \in \Omega$  is of the form  $f(t) = t^p \tilde{f}(t)$  with  $p > \alpha = -\beta(\gamma_1 + 1)$  and with  $m$ -times continuously differentiable function  $\tilde{f}$  in  $[0, \infty]$ , with  $\tilde{f}^{(m)}(t) = O(\exp \lambda t^{\beta/m})$  for  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$$(5) \quad f(t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^m} t^{-\frac{\beta}{m}(\gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_m)} \int_{\sigma-i\infty}^{\sigma+i\infty} \dots \int_{\sigma-i\infty}^{\sigma+i\infty} \exp[t^{\beta/m}(z_1 + \dots + z_m)]$$

$$\times \prod_{k=1}^m z_k^{\gamma_m - \gamma_k} F[(z_1 \dots z_m)^{1/\beta}] dz_1 \dots dz_m,$$

where  $F(z) = \mathfrak{R}_\nu \{f(t); z\}$ , and  $\sigma$  is a suitably chosen real constant.

Proof. Under the hypothesis of the theorem, the function  $f[(t_1 \dots t_m)^{1/\beta}] \prod_{k=1}^m t_k^{\gamma_k}$  satisfies the conditions for validity of the complex inversion formula of the  $m$ -dimensional Laplace transformation [4, p. 319], since

$$f[(t_1 \dots t_m)^{1/\beta}] \leq M \exp[\lambda(t_1 \dots t_m)^{1/m}] \leq M \exp\left(\frac{\lambda}{m} t_1 + \dots + \frac{\lambda}{m} t_m\right).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} f[(t_1 \dots t_m)^{1/\beta}] &= (1/2\pi i)^m \prod_{k=1}^m \int_{\sigma-i\infty}^{\sigma+i\infty} t_k^{-\gamma_k} \dots \int_{\sigma-i\infty}^{\sigma+i\infty} \exp(z_1 t_1 + \dots + z_m t_m) \\ &\quad \times \prod_{k=1}^m z_k^{\gamma_m - \gamma_k} F[(z_1 \dots z_m)^{1/\beta}] dz_1 \dots dz_m, \end{aligned}$$

provided  $\sigma > \lambda/m$ . We put  $t_1 = t_2 = \dots = t_m = t^{\beta/m}$  and get the inversion formula (5).

Corollary. If  $\gamma_1 = -\nu/2$ ,  $\gamma_2 = \nu/2$  with  $\nu \geq 0$  (the case  $m=2$ ) and  $\beta=2$ , then the Obrechhoff transform (4) coincides up to a constant with the Meijer transform  $\mathfrak{R}_\nu \{f(t); z\} = \int_0^\infty K_\nu(zt) (zt)^{1/2} f(t) dt$ .

The inversion formula (5) of the Obrechhoff transform is identical with the well-known complex inversion formula [5, p. 81] of the Meijer transform  $f(t) = (\pi i)^{-1} \int_{\sigma-i\infty}^{\sigma+i\infty} I_\nu(zt) (zt)^{1/2} \mathfrak{R}_\nu \{f(t); z\} dz$ .

It is especially interesting that there exists a definite relation between Obrechhoff transform (2) and the usual Laplace transform  $\mathcal{Q}\{f(t); z\} = \int_0^\infty \exp(-zt) f(t) dt$ .

**Definition 3.** If  $\lambda_k = \gamma_m - \gamma_k + k/m$ ,  $k=1, 2, \dots, (m-1)$ , and  $f(t) \in \Omega$  then

$$\begin{aligned} (6) \quad \varphi f(t) &= [t^{m(\gamma_m+1)-1} / \prod_{k=1}^{m-1} \Gamma(\lambda_k)] \\ &\quad \times \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 \prod_{k=1}^{m-1} [(1-\tau_k)^{\lambda_k-1} \tau_k^{\gamma_k}] f[t^{m/\beta}(\tau_1 \dots \tau_{m-1})^{1/\beta}] d\tau_1 \dots d\tau_{m-1}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.** If  $f(t) \in \Omega$ , then identically

$$(7) \quad \mathfrak{R}_\nu \{f(t); (z/m)^{m/\beta}\} = (2\pi)^{(m-1)/2} m^{1/2} \mathcal{Q}\{\varphi f(t); z\}.$$

Proof. We should prove the identity

$$\begin{aligned} (8) \quad &\int_0^\infty \exp(-zt) \varphi f(t) dt \\ &= (2\pi)^{(1-m)/2} m^{-1/2} \beta \int_0^\infty t^{\beta(\gamma_m+1)-1} K[t^\beta (z/m)^m] f(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

To this end, we shall transform the left-hand side of (8) to the right-hand side. Substituting  $\varphi f(t)$  with (6), we get

$$\mathfrak{L}\{\varphi f(t); z\} = \int_0^\infty \exp(-zt) \left(\prod_{k=1}^{m-1} \Gamma^{-1}(\lambda_k)\right) t^{m(\gamma_m+1)-1} dt \\ \times \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 \prod_{k=1}^{m-1} [(1 - \tau_k)^{\lambda_k-1} \tau_k^{\gamma_k}] f[t^{m/\beta}(\tau_1 \dots \tau_{m-1})^{1/\beta}] d\tau_1 \dots d\tau_{m-1}.$$

After the substitution  $u_1 = t^m \tau_1, u_2 = t^m \tau_1 \tau_2, \dots, u_{m-1} = t^m \tau_1 \dots \tau_{m-1}$ , we receive

$$\mathfrak{L}\{\varphi f(t); z\} = \left(1/\prod_{k=1}^{m-1} \Gamma(\lambda_k)\right) \int_0^\infty \exp(-zt) t^{m(\gamma_m - \gamma_1 - \lambda_1 + 1) - 1} dt \\ \times \int_0^{t^m} (t^m - u_1)^{\lambda_1 - 1} u_1^{\gamma_1 - (\gamma_2 + \lambda_2)} du_1 \dots \int_0^{u_{m-3}} (u_{m-3} - u_{m-2})^{\lambda_{m-2} - 1} u_{m-2}^{\gamma_{m-2} - (\gamma_{m-1} + \lambda_{m-1}) - 1} du_{m-2} \\ \times \int_0^{u_{m-2}} (u_{m-2} - u_{m-1})^{\lambda_{m-1} - 1} u_{m-1}^{\gamma_{m-1}} f[(u_{m-1}^{1/\beta})] du_{m-1}.$$

If we interchange the order of integrations, we get

$$\mathfrak{L}\{\varphi f(t); z\} = \int_0^\infty f[u_{m-1}^{1/\beta}] u_{m-1}^{\gamma_{m-1}} du_{m-1} \\ \times \Gamma^{-1}(\lambda_{m-1}) \int_{u_{m-1}}^\infty (u_{m-2} - u_{m-1})^{\lambda_{m-1} - 1} u_{m-2}^{\gamma_{m-2} - (\gamma_{m-1} + \lambda_{m-1})} du_{m-2} \\ \dots \\ \times \Gamma^{-1}(\lambda_k) \int_{u_k}^\infty (u_{k-1} - u_k)^{\lambda_k - 1} u_{k-1}^{\gamma_{k-1} - (\gamma_k + \lambda_k)} du_{k-1} \dots \\ \dots \\ \times \Gamma^{-1}(\lambda_2) \int_{u_2}^\infty (u_1 - u_2)^{\lambda_1 - 1} u_1^{\gamma_1 - (\gamma_2 + \lambda_2)} du_1 \\ \times \Gamma^{-1}(\lambda_1) \int_{u_1^{1/m}}^\infty (t^m - u_1)^{\lambda_1 - 1} t^{m[\gamma_m - (\gamma_1 + \lambda_1) - \frac{1}{m} + 1]} \exp(-zt) dt.$$

The inner integrals here can be calculated in succession using the formula

$$\Gamma^{-1}(\lambda) \int_u^\infty (x-u)^{\lambda-1} G_{p,q}^{m,n} \left[ \begin{matrix} ax \\ b_1, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} \middle| \begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_p \end{matrix} \right] dx \\ = u^\lambda G_{p+1,q+1}^{m+1,n} \left[ \begin{matrix} au \\ -\lambda, b_1, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} \middle| \begin{matrix} a_1, \dots, a_p, 0 \end{matrix} \right],$$

valid for  $p+q < 2(m+n)$  and  $|\arg(au)| < (m+n - \frac{1}{2}p - \frac{1}{2}q)\pi$  (see [7, p. 212, (79)]). For the first of these integrals we get after the substitution  $t^m = x$ :

$$m^{-1} \Gamma^{-1}(\lambda_1) \int_{u_1}^\infty (x-u_1)^{\lambda_1-1} x^{\gamma_m - (\gamma_1 + \lambda_1)} \exp(-zx^{1/m}) dx \\ = (2\pi)^{(1-m)/2} m^{-1/2} \Gamma^{-1}(\lambda_1) \int_{u_1}^\infty (x-u_1)^{\lambda_1-1} x^{\gamma_m - (\gamma_1 + \lambda_1)} G_{0,m}^{m,0} \left[ \left(\frac{z}{m}\right)^m x \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} & |(j/m)_{j=0}^{m-1}| dx = (2\pi)^{(1-m)/2} m^{-1/2} (z/m)^{m[-\gamma_m + (\gamma_1 + \lambda_1)]} \\ & \times \Gamma^{-1}(\lambda_1) \int_{u_1}^{\infty} (x-u_1)^{\lambda_1-1} G_{0,m}^{m,0} \left( \frac{z}{m} \middle| x \middle| \left( \frac{j}{m} + \gamma_m - (\gamma_1 + \lambda_1) \right)_{j=0}^{m-1} \right) dx = \\ & (2\pi)^{(1-m)/2} m^{-1/2} (z/m)^{m[-\gamma_m + (\gamma_1 + \lambda_1)]} u_1^{\lambda_1} G_{1,m+1}^{m+1,0} \left[ (z/m)^m u_1 \middle| 0 - \lambda_1; [j/m + \gamma_m - (\gamma_1 + \lambda_1)]_{j=0}^{m-1} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, after  $(m-1)$  similar steps, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{L} \{ \varphi f(t); z \} &= (2\pi)^{(1-m)/2} m^{-1/2} (z/m)^{m[-\gamma_m + (\gamma_{m-1} + \lambda_{m-1})]} \\ & \times \int_0^{\infty} f(u_{m-1}^{1/\beta}) u_{m-1}^{\gamma_{m-1} + \lambda_{m-1}} G_{m-1, 2m-1}^{2m-1,0} \left[ \left( \frac{z}{m} \right)^m u_{m-1} \middle| \right. \\ & \left. \begin{array}{l} [\gamma_j + \lambda_j - (\gamma_{m-1} + \lambda_{m-1})]_{j=1}^{m-1} \\ [\gamma_j - (\gamma_{m-1} + \lambda_{m-1})]_{j=m-1}^1; \left[ \frac{j}{m} + \gamma_m - (\gamma_{m-1} + \lambda_{m-1}) \right]_{j=0}^{m-1} \end{array} \right] du_{m-1}. \end{aligned}$$

After the substitution  $u_{m-1} = t^\beta$ , we get  $\mathfrak{L}(\varphi f(t); z) = \int_0^\infty f(t) A(z, t) dt$  with

$$\begin{aligned} (9) \quad A(z, t) &= (2\pi)^{(1-m)/2} m^{-1/2} (z/m)^{-m(\gamma_m + 1 - 1/\beta)} \\ & \times G_{m-1, 2m-1}^{2m-1,0} \left[ \left( \frac{z}{m} \right)^m t^\beta \middle| \begin{array}{l} [j/m + \gamma_m + 1 - 1/\beta]_{j=1}^{m-1} \\ [\gamma_j + 1 - 1/\beta]_{j=m-1}^1, [j/m + \gamma_m + 1 - 1/\beta]_{j=1}^{m-1} \end{array} \right] \\ & = (2\pi)^{(1-m)/2} m^{-1/2} (z/m)^{-m(\gamma_m + 1 - 1/\beta)} G_{0,m}^{m,0} \left[ \left( \frac{z}{m} \right)^m t^\beta \middle| [\gamma_j + 1 - 1/\beta]_{j=1}^m \right]. \end{aligned}$$

It remains to show that this expression for  $A(z, t)$  is identical with the kernel  $t^{\beta(\gamma_m + 1) - 1} K[(zt)^\beta]$  of the Obrechhoff transform, up to the numerical multiplier  $(2\pi)^{(1-m)/2} m^{-1/2}$ . To this end we shall use the Melline transform  $\mathfrak{M} \{ f(t); p \} = \int_0^\infty t^{p-1} f(t) dt$  and its complex inversion formula

$$(10) \quad \frac{f(t-0) + f(t+0)}{2} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} t^{-p} \mathfrak{M} \{ f; p \} dp.$$

We have

$$\mathfrak{M} \{ t^{\beta(\gamma_m + 1) - 1} K[(zt)^\beta]; p \} = (1/\beta) z^{-\beta(\gamma_m + 1 + (p-1)/\beta)} \prod_{k=1}^m \Gamma(\gamma_k + 1 + (p-1)/\beta).$$

By inversion formula (10) we get

$$\begin{aligned} (11) \quad & t^{\beta(\gamma_m + 1) - 1} K[(zt)^\beta] \\ & = \frac{1}{2\pi i \beta} z^{-\beta(\gamma_m + 1 - 1/\beta)} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} (zt)^{-p} \prod_{k=1}^m \Gamma(\gamma_k + 1 + (p-1)/\beta) dp \\ & = z^{\beta(-\gamma_m - 1 + 1/\beta)} G_{0,m}^{0,m} [(zt)^{-\beta} | (-\gamma_k + 1/\beta)_{k=1}^m] = z^{-\beta(\gamma_m + 1 - 1/\beta)} G_{0,m}^{m,0} [(zt)^\beta | (1 + \gamma_k - 1/\beta)_{k=1}^m]. \end{aligned}$$

If multiply this expression by  $(2\pi)^{(1-m)/2} m^{-1/2}$  and substitute  $z$  by  $(z/m)^{m/\beta}$ , we get (9) (see [6, p. 207, formula (1)]).

Thus the theorem is proved.

**Corollary.** *If  $m = \beta = 2$ ,  $\gamma_1 = -\nu/2$ ,  $\gamma_2 = \nu/2$  with  $\nu \geq 0$  then the identity (7) gives the relation between Meijer and Laplace transforms ([7, p. 122]):*

$$\mathfrak{R}_\nu \{f(t); z\} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} 2^{-\nu} z^{\nu+1/2}}{\Gamma(\nu+1/2)} \mathfrak{L} \left\{ \int_0^t (t^2 - \tau^2)^{\nu-1/2} \tau^{-\nu+1/2} f(\tau) d\tau; z \right\}.$$

Using the relation (7) between Obrechhoff and Laplace transform, we give one more complex inversion formula for the Obrechhoff transform. By means of the well-known complex inversion formula  $f(t) = (2\pi i)^{-1} \int_{\sigma-i\infty}^{\sigma+i\infty} \exp(zt) \mathfrak{L} \{f(t); z\} dz$  of Laplace transform, (7) leads to

**Theorem 4.** *If  $f(t) \in \Omega$  and is continuous on  $(0, \infty)$  then*

$$f(t) = (2\pi)^{-(m+1)/2} m^{-1/2} (1/t) \varphi^{-1} \left\{ \int_{\sigma-i\infty}^{\sigma+i\infty} \exp(zt) \mathfrak{R}_\nu \left\{ \left(\frac{z}{m}\right)^{m/\beta}; z \right\} dz \right\}.$$

**Proof.** As it is shown in [9], transformation  $\varphi$ , defined by (6) is invertible. There the following inversion formula for  $\varphi$  is found: If  $\varphi f(t) = g(t)$ , then

$$f[(t_1 \dots t_{m-1})^{1/\beta}] = \prod_{k=1}^{m-1} t_k^{-\gamma_k} \frac{\partial^{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_{m-1}}}{\partial t_1^{\lambda_1} \dots \partial t_{m-1}^{\lambda_{m-1}}} \left\{ g[(t_1 \dots t_{m-1})^{1/m}] \prod_{k=1}^{m-1} t_k^{m-k-1} \right\},$$

where  $\partial^{\lambda_1} / \partial t_1^{\lambda_1}$ ,  $\partial^{\lambda_2} / \partial t_2^{\lambda_2}$ , ...,  $\partial^{m-1} / \partial t_{m-1}^{m-1}$  are the operators for fractional partial differentiation of orders  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{m-1}$  with respect to the variables  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{m-1}$  correspondingly. If  $\lambda_k > 0$  is an integer, then  $\partial^{\lambda_k} / \partial t_k^{\lambda_k}$  denotes simply the operator of partial differentiation with respect to  $t_k$  of order  $\lambda_k$ , but if  $\lambda_k > 0$  is not an integer, then

$$\frac{\partial^{\lambda_k} f(t_1, \dots, t_m)}{\partial t_k^{\lambda_k}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\partial^{[\lambda_k]+1}}{\partial t_k^{[\lambda_k]+1}} \int_0^{t_k} \frac{(t_k - \tau_k)^{-\{\lambda_k\}}}{\Gamma(1 - \{\lambda_k\})} f(t_1, \dots, \tau_k, \dots, t_{m-1}) d\tau_k.$$

Then, the proof of the theorem follows immediately from (7).

At last, we give one more complex inversion formula for the Obrechhoff transform.

**Theorem 5.** *If  $f(t) \in \Omega$  and if  $f(t)$  has bounded variation in a neighbourhood of a point  $t_0$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} & [f(t_0 - 0) + f(t_0 + 0)]/2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} t_0^{-p} / \prod_{k=1}^m \Gamma(\gamma_k + 1 - p/\beta) dp \int_0^\infty \mathfrak{R}_\nu \{f; z\} z^{\beta(\gamma_m + 1) - p - 1} dz, \end{aligned}$$

*provided the integrals  $\int_0^\infty t^c f(t) dt$  and  $\int_0^\infty z^{\beta(\gamma_m + 1) - p - 1} \mathfrak{R}_\nu \{f; z\} dz$  are absolutely convergent for  $p = c + iT$ ,  $-\infty < T < \infty$  with a suitably chosen constant  $c < -\alpha = \beta(\gamma_1 + 1)$ .*

**Proof.** We integrate the expression  $z^{\beta(\gamma_m + 1) - p - 1} \mathfrak{R}_\nu \{f; z\}$  along the real axis from 0 to  $\infty$ . According to a theorem of Vallée-Poussin (see Bromwich [10, p. 504]) from the hypothesis it follows that it is allowed to change the order of integration:

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta \int_0^{\infty} z^{\beta(\gamma_m+1)-p-1} dz \int_0^{\infty} K[(zt)^\beta] t^{\beta(\gamma_m+1)-1} f(t) dt \\ &= \beta \int_0^{\infty} t^{\beta(\gamma_m+1)-1} f(t) dt \int_0^{\infty} z^{\beta(\gamma_m+1)-p-1} K[(zt)^\beta] dz. \end{aligned}$$

Now, using formula (11), derived in the proof of theorem 3, we get for the inner integral:

$$(12) \quad \begin{aligned} & t^{\beta(\gamma_m+1)-1} \int_0^{\infty} z^{\beta(\gamma_m+1)-p-1} K[(zt)^\beta] dz \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} z^{-p} G_{0,m}^{m,0}[(zt)^\beta | (1+\gamma_k-1/\beta)_{k=1}^m] dz = (t^{p-1}/\beta) \prod_{k=1}^m \Gamma(\gamma_k+1-p/\beta) \end{aligned}$$

(see [7, p. 418, formula (3)]). The formula used is valid for  $\arg z < m\pi/2\beta$ , which is the case for real  $z \in (0, \infty)$ .

Now, using (11), it is not difficult to see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} [t_0^{-p} / \prod_{k=1}^m \Gamma(\gamma_k+1-p/\beta)] dp \int_0^{\infty} \mathfrak{R}_\gamma \{f; z\} z^{\beta(\gamma_m+1)-p-1} dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} t_0^{-p} dp \int_0^{\infty} t^{p-1} f(t) dt = \frac{f(t_0-0)+f(t_0+0)}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

according with the Riemann-Mellin inversion formula (10).

Complex inversion formulas for a special case of the Obrechhoff transform are found by E. Krätzel [11].

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