

# Research on Some Fractional Integral Problems

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we solve two type of fractional integrals based on Jumarie's modified Riemann-Liouville (R-L) fractional calculus. The main two methods used in this article are change of variables for fractional integral and integration by parts for fractional calculus. On the other hand, a new multiplication of fractional analytic functions plays an important role in this paper. And these two types of fractional integrals are generalizations of the integrals in traditional calculus.

**Keyword:** fractional integrals, Jumarie's modified R-L fractional calculus, change of variables, integration by parts, new multiplication, fractional analytic functions.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Fractional calculus is a branch of mathematical analysis, which studies several different possibilities of defining real order or complex order. In the second half of the 20th century, a large number of studies on fractional calculus were published in engineering literature. Fractional calculus is widely welcomed and concerned because of its applications in many fields such as mechanics, dynamics, modelling, physics, economics, viscoelasticity, biology, electronics, signal processing, and so on [1-9]. However, fractional calculus is different from ordinary calculus. The definition of fractional derivative and integral is not unique. Commonly used definitions include Riemann-Liouville (R-L) fractional derivative, Caputo fractional derivative, Grunwald-Letnikov (G-L) fractional derivative, and Jumarie's modified R-L fractional derivative [10-13].

In this paper, we study the following two type of fractional integrals:

$$({}_0I_x^\alpha) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes m} \otimes (E_\alpha(x^\alpha))^{\otimes n} \right], \quad (1)$$

$$({}_0I_x^\alpha) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes p} \otimes \left( Ln_\alpha \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right) \right)^{\otimes q} \right]. \quad (2)$$

Where  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and  $m, n, p, q$  are positive integers. The change of variables for fractional integral and the integration by parts for fractional calculus are the main methods used in this article. In addition, a new multiplication of fractional analytic functions plays an important role in this paper. In fact, the above two types of fractional integrals are generalizations of the integrals in classical calculus.

## II. PRELIMINARIES

First, the fractional calculus used in this paper and its properties are introduced below.

**Definition 2.1** ([14]): Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and  $x_0$  be a real number. The Jumarie type of Riemann-Liouville (R-L)  $\alpha$ -fractional derivative is defined by

$$({}_{x_0}D_x^\alpha)[f(x)] = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} \frac{d}{dx} \int_{x_0}^x \frac{f(t)-f(x_0)}{(x-t)^\alpha} dt. \quad (3)$$

And the Jumarie's modified R-L  $\alpha$ -fractional integral is defined by

$$({}_{x_0}I_x^\alpha)[f(x)] = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{x_0}^x \frac{f(t)}{(x-t)^{1-\alpha}} dt, \quad (4)$$

where  $\Gamma(\cdot)$  is the gamma function.

**Proposition 2.2** ([15]): If  $\alpha, \beta, x_0, C$  are real numbers and  $\beta \geq \alpha > 0$ , then

$$({}_{x_0}D_x^\alpha)[(x - x_0)^\beta] = \frac{\Gamma(\beta+1)}{\Gamma(\beta-\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^{\beta-\alpha}, \quad (5)$$

and

$$({}_{x_0}D_x^\alpha)[C] = 0. \quad (6)$$

Next, we introduce the definition of fractional analytic function.

**Definition 2.3** ([16]): Suppose that  $x, x_0$ , and  $a_k$  are real numbers for all  $k$ ,  $x_0 \in (a, b)$ , and  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . If the function  $f_\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow R$  can be expressed as an  $\alpha$ -fractional power series, that is,  $f_\alpha(x^\alpha) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{a_k}{\Gamma(k\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^{k\alpha}$  on some open interval containing  $x_0$ , then we say that  $f_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  is  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic at  $x_0$ . In addition, if  $f_\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow R$  is continuous on closed interval  $[a, b]$  and it is  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic at every point in open interval  $(a, b)$ , then  $f_\alpha$  is called an  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic function on  $[a, b]$ .

In the following, a new multiplication of fractional analytic functions is introduced.

**Definition 2.4** ([17]): Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and  $x_0$  be a real number. If  $f_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  and  $g_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  are two  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic functions defined on an interval containing  $x_0$ ,

$$f_\alpha(x^\alpha) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{a_k}{\Gamma(k\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^{k\alpha} = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{a_k}{k!} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^\alpha \right)^{\otimes k}, \quad (7)$$

$$g_\alpha(x^\alpha) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{b_k}{\Gamma(k\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^{k\alpha} = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{b_k}{k!} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^\alpha \right)^{\otimes k}. \quad (8)$$

Then we define

$$\begin{aligned} & f_\alpha(x^\alpha) \otimes g_\alpha(x^\alpha) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{a_k}{\Gamma(k\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^{k\alpha} \otimes \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{b_k}{\Gamma(k\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^{k\alpha} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{1}{\Gamma(k\alpha+1)} \left( \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} a_{k-m} b_m \right) (x - x_0)^{k\alpha}. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

In other words,

$$\begin{aligned} & f_\alpha(x^\alpha) \otimes g_\alpha(x^\alpha) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{a_k}{k!} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^\alpha \right)^{\otimes k} \otimes \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{b_k}{k!} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^\alpha \right)^{\otimes k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{1}{k!} \left( \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} a_{k-m} b_m \right) \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^\alpha \right)^{\otimes k}. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

**Definition 2.5** ([18]): Suppose that  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and  $f_\alpha(x^\alpha)$ ,  $g_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  are  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic functions defined on an interval containing  $x_0$ ,

$$f_\alpha(x^\alpha) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{a_k}{\Gamma(k\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^{k\alpha} = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{a_k}{k!} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^\alpha \right)^{\otimes k}, \quad (11)$$

$$g_\alpha(x^\alpha) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{b_k}{\Gamma(k\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^{k\alpha} = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{b_k}{k!} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (x - x_0)^\alpha \right)^{\otimes k}. \quad (12)$$

The compositions of  $f_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  and  $g_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  are defined by

$$(f_\alpha \circ g_\alpha)(x^\alpha) = f_\alpha(g_\alpha(x^\alpha)) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{a_k}{k!} (g_\alpha(x^\alpha))^{\otimes k}, \quad (13)$$

and

$$(g_\alpha \circ f_\alpha)(x^\alpha) = g_\alpha(f_\alpha(x^\alpha)) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{b_k}{k!} (f_\alpha(x^\alpha))^{\otimes k}. \quad (14)$$

**Definition 2.6** ([18]): Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . If  $f_\alpha(x^\alpha)$ ,  $g_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  are two  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic functions satisfies

$$(f_\alpha \circ g_\alpha)(x^\alpha) = (g_\alpha \circ f_\alpha)(x^\alpha) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha. \quad (15)$$

Then  $f_\alpha(x^\alpha)$ ,  $g_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  are called inverse functions of each other.

**Definition 2.7:** Suppose that  $n$  is a positive integer, then  $(f_\alpha(x^\alpha))^{\otimes n} = f_\alpha(x^\alpha) \otimes \dots \otimes f_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  is called the  $n$ th power of the fractional analytic function  $f_\alpha(x^\alpha)$ .

**Theorem 2.8** (change of variables for fractional integral) ([19]): If  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $g_\alpha$  is  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic at  $x = a$ ,  $f_\alpha$  is  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic at  $x = g_\alpha(a)$  and the range of  $g_\alpha$  contained in the domain of  $f_\alpha$ , then  $f_\alpha \circ g_\alpha$  is  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic at  $x = a$ , and

$$({}_a I_b^\alpha) [(f_\alpha \circ g_\alpha)(x^\alpha) \otimes ({}_a D_x^\alpha)[g_\alpha(x^\alpha)]] = ({}_{g_\alpha(a)} I_{g_\alpha(b)}^\alpha)[f_\alpha(g_\alpha)], \quad (16)$$

for  $a, b \in I$ .

**Theorem 2.9** (integration by parts for fractional calculus) ([20]): Suppose that  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $a, b$  are real numbers, and  $f_\alpha(x^\alpha)$ ,  $g_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  are  $\alpha$ -fractional analytic functions, then

$$({}_a I_b^\alpha) [f_\alpha(x^\alpha) \otimes ({}_a D_x^\alpha)[g_\alpha(x^\alpha)]] = [f_\alpha(x^\alpha) \otimes g_\alpha(x^\alpha)]_{x^\alpha=a}^{x^\alpha=b} - ({}_a I_b^\alpha) [g_\alpha(x^\alpha) \otimes ({}_a D_x^\alpha)[f_\alpha(x^\alpha)]] \quad (17)$$

note-reference: Some fractional analytic functions are introduced below.

**Definition 2.10** ([18]): If  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and  $x, x_0$  are real numbers. The  $\alpha$ -fractional exponential function is defined by

$$E_\alpha(x^\alpha) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{k\alpha}}{\Gamma(k\alpha+1)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes k}. \quad (18)$$

And the  $\alpha$ -fractional logarithmic function  $Ln_\alpha(x^\alpha)$  is the inverse function of  $E_\alpha(x^\alpha)$ .

### III. MAIN RESULTS

The followings are major results in this paper.

**Theorem 3.1:** Let  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and  $m, n$  be positive integers. Then the  $\alpha$ -fractional integral

$$\begin{aligned} & ({}_0 I_x^\alpha) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes m} \otimes (E_\alpha(x^\alpha))^{\otimes n} \right] \\ &= \left[ \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k (m)_k}{n^{k+1}} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes (m-k)} \right] \otimes E_\alpha(nx^\alpha) - \frac{(-1)^m \cdot m!}{n^{m+1}}. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Where  $(m)_k = m(m-1) \dots (m-k+1)$  for positive integers  $k$ , and  $(m)_0 = 1$ .

**Proof** Using integration by parts for fractional calculus yields

$$\begin{aligned} & ({}_0 I_x^\alpha) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes m} \otimes (E_\alpha(x^\alpha))^{\otimes n} \right] \\ &= ({}_0 I_x^\alpha) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes m} \otimes E_\alpha(nx^\alpha) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes m} \otimes E_\alpha(nx^\alpha) - \frac{m}{n^2} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes (m-1)} \otimes E_\alpha(nx^\alpha) + \dots \\ &+ \frac{(-1)^m \cdot m!}{n^m} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes (m-1)} \otimes E_\alpha(nx^\alpha) + \frac{(-1)^m \cdot m!}{n^{m+1}} \otimes E_\alpha(nx^\alpha) - \frac{(-1)^m \cdot m!}{n^{m+1}} \\ &= \left[ \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k (m)_k}{n^{k+1}} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes (m-k)} \right] \otimes E_\alpha(nx^\alpha) - \frac{(-1)^m \cdot m!}{n^{m+1}}. \quad \text{Q.e.d.} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.2:** If  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and  $p, q$  are positive integers. Then the  $\alpha$ -fractional integral

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( {}_0I_x^\alpha \right) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes p} \otimes \left( Ln_\alpha \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right) \right)^{\otimes q} \right] \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^p \sum_{k=0}^q \frac{(-1)^{j+k} \binom{p}{j} \binom{q}{k}}{(p+1-j)^{k+1}} \left( Ln_\alpha \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right) \right)^{\otimes (q-k)} \otimes \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes (p+1-j)} - \sum_{j=0}^p \frac{(-1)^{q+j} \binom{p}{j} \cdot q!}{(p+1-j)^{q+1}}. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

**Proof** Let  $1 + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha = E_\alpha(t^\alpha)$ , then  $Ln_\alpha \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t^\alpha$ . By change of variables for fractional integral and Theorem 3.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( {}_0I_x^\alpha \right) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes p} \otimes \left( Ln_\alpha \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right) \right)^{\otimes q} \right] \\ &= \left( {}_0I_t^\alpha \right) \left[ E_\alpha(t^\alpha) \otimes (E_\alpha(t^\alpha) - 1)^{\otimes p} \otimes \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t^\alpha \right)^{\otimes q} \right] \\ &= \left( {}_0I_t^\alpha \right) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t^\alpha \right)^{\otimes q} \otimes \left[ (E_\alpha(t^\alpha))^{\otimes (p+1)} - \binom{p}{1} (E_\alpha(t^\alpha))^{\otimes p} + \binom{p}{2} (E_\alpha(t^\alpha))^{\otimes (p-1)} - \dots + (-1)^p \binom{p}{p} (E_\alpha(t^\alpha))^{\otimes 1} \right] \right] \\ &= \left( {}_0I_t^\alpha \right) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t^\alpha \right)^{\otimes q} \otimes \sum_{j=0}^p (-1)^j \binom{p}{j} E_\alpha((p+1-j)t^\alpha) \right] \\ &= \left( {}_0I_t^\alpha \right) \left[ \sum_{j=0}^p (-1)^j \binom{p}{j} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t^\alpha \right)^{\otimes q} \otimes E_\alpha((p+1-j)t^\alpha) \right] \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^p (-1)^j \binom{p}{j} \left( {}_0I_t^\alpha \right) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t^\alpha \right)^{\otimes q} \otimes E_\alpha((p+1-j)t^\alpha) \right] \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^p (-1)^j \binom{p}{j} \left( \left[ \sum_{k=0}^q \frac{(-1)^k \binom{q}{k}}{(p+1-j)^{k+1}} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t^\alpha \right)^{\otimes (q-k)} \right] \otimes E_\alpha((p+1-j)t^\alpha) \right) - \sum_{j=0}^p \frac{(-1)^{q+j} \binom{p}{j} \cdot q!}{(p+1-j)^{q+1}} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^p \sum_{k=0}^q \frac{(-1)^{j+k} \binom{p}{j} \binom{q}{k}}{(p+1-j)^{k+1}} \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} t^\alpha \right)^{\otimes (q-k)} \otimes E_\alpha((p+1-j)t^\alpha) - \sum_{j=0}^p \frac{(-1)^{q+j} \binom{p}{j} \cdot q!}{(p+1-j)^{q+1}} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^p \sum_{k=0}^q \frac{(-1)^{j+k} \binom{p}{j} \binom{q}{k}}{(p+1-j)^{k+1}} \left( Ln_\alpha \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right) \right)^{\otimes (q-k)} \otimes \left( \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} x^\alpha \right)^{\otimes (p+1-j)} - \sum_{j=0}^p \frac{(-1)^{q+j} \binom{p}{j} \cdot q!}{(p+1-j)^{q+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Q.e.d.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

This paper studies two type of fractional integrals based on Jumarie type of R-L fractional calculus. The major methods we used are change of variables for fractional integral and integration by parts for fractional calculus. A new multiplication of fractional analytic functions plays an important role in this article. In fact, these two types of fractional integrals are generalizations of integrals in ordinary calculus. In the future, we will continue to use these methods to study problems in fractional calculus and applied mathematics.

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