

## SOME EXTENSIONS OF THE MEHLER FORMULA, II

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1. In a recent paper [5] we gave the formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad & \sum_{m, n, p=0}^{\infty} H_{n+p+r}(x) H_{m+p+s}(y) H_{m+n}(z) \frac{u^m}{m!} \frac{v^n}{n!} \frac{w^p}{p!} \\
 &= S \sum_{k=0}^{\min(r, s)} 2^{2k} k! \binom{r}{k} \binom{s}{k} \left( \frac{w - 2uw}{\sqrt{\Delta(1 - 4u^2)(1 - 4v^2)}} \right)^k \\
 &\quad \cdot H_{r-k} \left( \frac{(x - 2vz)(1 - 4u^2) - 2(y - 2uz)(w - 2uw)}{\sqrt{\Delta(1 - 4u^2)}} \right) \\
 &\quad \cdot H_{s-k} \left( \frac{(y - 2uz)(1 - 4v^2) - 2(x - 2vz)(w - 2uw)}{\sqrt{\Delta(1 - 4v^2)}} \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

where, for convenience,

$$(2) \quad \Delta = 1 - 4u^2 - 4v^2 - 4w^2 + 16uvw,$$

$$(3) \quad S = \Delta^{-\frac{1}{2}(r+s+1)} (1 - 4u^2)^{r/2} (1 - 4v^2)^{s/2}$$

$$\cdot \exp \left\{ \sum x^2 - \frac{1}{\Delta} \left( \sum x^2 - 4 \sum u^2 x^2 - 4 \sum wxy + 8 \sum uvxy \right) \right\}$$

and where  $\sum x^2$ ,  $\sum u^2 x^2$ ,  $\sum wxy$ ,  $\sum uvxy$  are symmetric functions in the indicated variables and  $H_n(z)$  denotes the classical Hermite polynomial defined by Rodrigues' formula

$$(4) \quad H_n(z) = (-1)^n \exp(x^2) D_x^n \exp(-x^2), \quad D_x = d/dx.$$

Formula (1) provides an elegant unification of several extensions of the well-known Mehler formula (cf., e.g., [3; 198]) given recently by Carlitz [1] and [2].

The present note is a sequel to our paper [5]. We first derive the formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad & \sum_{m, n, p=0}^{\infty} H_{m+p}(x) H_{n+p}(y) H_{m+r}(z) H_{n+s}(t) \frac{u^m}{m!} \frac{v^n}{n!} \frac{w^p}{p!} \\
 &= R(1 - 4v^2 - 4w^2)^{r/2} (1 - 4u^2 - 4w^2)^{s/2} \\
 &\quad \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{\min(r, s)} k! \binom{r}{k} \binom{s}{k} \left( \frac{16uvw}{\sqrt{(1 - 4u^2 - 4w^2)(1 - 4v^2 - 4w^2)}} \right)^k
 \end{aligned}$$

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