

$$(25) \quad \int_0^1 \left\{ \frac{l_1(x)}{\kappa} + r_1(x) \right\} u_1^2(x) dx = \frac{1}{\kappa}.$$

By taking  $\kappa$  large enough it is possible to choose  $u_1(x)$  (in an infinite number of ways) such that equation (25) is satisfied and  $|u_1(x)| < \epsilon$ ,  $|u_1'(x)| < \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon$  is an arbitrarily small positive number. For this value of  $u_1(x)$  (and  $u_2(x) \equiv 0$ ),  $D(u_1, u_2) < C\epsilon^2$ , where  $C$  is a constant such that  $C > p_1(x) - q_1(x)$ . The value of  $\kappa$  is then so chosen that  $m(\kappa)$  is less than  $C\epsilon^2$ . In a similar manner it may be shown that  $m(-\infty) = 0$ .

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## NOTE ON IDENTITIES CONNECTING CERTAIN INTEGRALS.

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BECAUSE of the general nature of the symbols and symbolic products used in the symbolic invariant theory, it is possible to apply the formulas of this theory in various special fields. In the present note the theory is employed to obtain relations connecting integrals of functions constructed out of a linearly independent set.

1. We shall be interested in functions of  $n$  parameters  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  and functions of one or more real variables  $x, x_1, x_2, \dots, y, y_1, y_2, \dots$ , etc., restricted to a definite interval, say,  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ . In order to distinguish readily between those quantities which are constant or functions of the parameters  $u_1, \dots, u_n$  only, and those which are functions of one or more of the variables  $x, x_1, x_2, \dots$ , etc., the latter will always be denoted by black faced letters; the others by letters in ordinary type; thus  $\mathbf{a}$  denotes a function of a variable  $x$  defined for values of  $x$  on the interval  $0 \dots 1$ , while  $a$  denotes a function of the  $u_i$  only or a constant. The partial derivatives  $\partial \mathbf{a} / \partial u_i, \partial a / \partial u_i$ , etc., will be denoted by  $\mathbf{a}_{(i)}, a_{(i)}$ , etc.

2. Consider now the total differential of any function  $\mathbf{f}(x; u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$  with respect to the  $u_i$

$$(1) \quad d\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}_{(1)} du_1 + \mathbf{f}_{(2)} du_2 + \dots + \mathbf{f}_{(n)} du_n.$$

Let this expression be squared and integrated with respect to  $x$  from 0 to 1. We obtain in this way the quadratic differential form in the variables  $u_1, \dots, u_n$

$$(2) \quad \int_0^1 (d\mathbf{f})^2 dx = \int_0^1 (\mathbf{f}_{(1)} du_1 + \mathbf{f}_{(2)} du_2 + \dots + \mathbf{f}_{(n)} du_n)^2 dx \\ = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \left( \int_0^1 \mathbf{f}_{(i)} \mathbf{f}_{(j)} dx \right) du_i du_j = \sum_{i,j=1}^n E_{ij} du_i du_j,$$

where the expressions

$$(3) \quad E_{ij} = \int_0^1 \mathbf{f}_{(i)} \mathbf{f}_{(j)} dx$$

are functions of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$ .

3. If now we introduce a symbolic multiplication equivalent to ordinary multiplication followed by integration with respect to  $x$  from 0 to 1, we may write

$$(4) \quad \overline{d\mathbf{f}^2} = \overline{(\mathbf{f}_{(1)} du_1 + \mathbf{f}_{(2)} du_2 + \dots + \mathbf{f}_{(n)} du_n)^2} \\ = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \overline{\mathbf{f}_{(i)} \mathbf{f}_{(j)}} du_i du_j = \sum_{i,j=1}^n E_{ij} du_i du_j,$$

where the bars indicate that the products are symbolic, i. e., integrated products. We have thus expressed the quadratic differential form

$$E \equiv \sum_{i,j=1}^n E_{ij} du_i du_j$$

as the symbolic square of a linear form.\*

4. It should be noticed that we have also

$$(5) \quad \int_0^1 [d\mathbf{f}(y)]^2 dy = \int_0^1 [d\mathbf{f}(x)]^2 dx = E$$

and again, if  $\phi(x; u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$  is any function satisfying the conditions

$$(3) \quad \int_0^1 \phi_{(i)} \phi_{(j)} dx = E_{ij},$$

then

$$(6) \quad \int_0^1 [(d\phi(x))]^2 dx = E.$$

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\* Cf. Maschke, "A symbolic treatment of the theory of invariants of quadratic differential quantities of  $n$  variables," *Transactions*, vol. 4 (1904), pp. 445-469.

Such equivalent expressions for  $E$  may be employed in a manner analogous to the use of equivalent symbols in the symbolic theory.\* In this paper the method indicated in equations (5) will be used for equivalent representation of  $E$ .

5. On account of the linear distributive character of integration, the ordinary function  $f(x; u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$  satisfying conditions (3) may be taken as a *symbolic function* or *symbol* of the differential form  $E$ , and all the operations of the symbolic theory can be carried out if we agree that in products no more than two factors shall be expressed in terms of the same variable  $x$ ; that products of two factors written in terms of the same variable  $x$  shall be regarded as *integrated* products; and that a product of any number of factors expressed in terms of different variables  $x, x_1, x_2, \dots, y, y_1, y_2, \dots$  shall be regarded as ordinary products.

We have then this result:

*All of the identities of the symbolic differential invariant theory † may be interpreted as identities involving ordinary functions and their integrals.*

6. The identities of the symbolic theory are given mainly in terms of determinants of the  $n$ th order. We denote the determinant

$$\left| \int_0^1 f_{(i)} f_{(j)} dx \right| \quad \text{by} \quad \frac{1}{\beta^2}.$$

The product of  $\beta$  and the Jacobian of  $n$  functions  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ , is denoted by

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n).$$

Using these notations we may write, for example, the symbolic expression

$$(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_k, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-k})(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_k, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{n-k})$$

(where  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_k$  are equivalent symbolic functions of the differential quantic  $E$ ) in the form

$$\int_0^{1^{(k)}} [f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_k), a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}] \\ \times [f(x_1), \dots, f(x_k), b_1, \dots, b_{n-k}] dx_1, \dots, dx_k,$$

where  $\int_0^{1^{(k)}}$  stands for  $\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \dots k$  times.

\* Maschke, loc. cit., p. 448.

† Clearly, the result holds equally well for the algebraic invariant theory.

7. Out of the large number of identities which could now be written down, we select the following for illustration.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^1 \binom{n-k}{i} [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_{n-k}), a_1, \dots, a_k] \\
 & \quad \times [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_{n-k}), b_1, \dots, b_k] dx_1, \dots, dx_{n-k} \\
 (7) \quad & = \frac{(n-k)!}{(n-1)!} \left| \int_0^1 \binom{n-1}{i} [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_{n-1}), a_i] \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \times [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_{n-1}), b_j] dx_1, \dots, dx_{n-1} \right|, *
 \end{aligned}$$

where the determinant on the right is of the  $k$ th order,  $i$  and  $j$  running from 1 to  $k$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^1 \binom{k}{i} [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_k), \mathbf{f}(x_{k+1}), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_n)] \\
 (8) \quad & \quad \times [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_k), a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}] \\
 & \quad \times [\mathbf{f}(x_{k+1}), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_n), b_1, \dots, b_k] dx_1, \dots, dx_n \\
 & = k! (n-k)! (a_1, \dots, a_{n-k}, b_1, \dots, b_k). \dagger \\
 & \int_0^1 \binom{n-k-r}{i} [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_k), \mathbf{f}(x_{k+1}), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_{n-r}), b_1, \dots, b_r] \\
 & \quad \times [\mathbf{f}(x_{k+1}), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_{n-r}), a_1, \dots, a_{k+r}] dx_{k+1}, \dots, dx_{n-r} \\
 (9) \quad & = \frac{(n-k-r)!}{(n-k)!(n-r)!} \sum_i \int_0^1 \binom{n-r}{i} [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_{n-r}), a_i, \dots, a_{i_r}] \\
 & \quad \times [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_{n-r}), b_1, \dots, b_r] dx_{k+1}, \dots, dx_{n-r} \\
 & \quad \times \int_0^1 \binom{n-r}{i} [\mathbf{f}(y_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(y_{n-k}), a_{i_{1+r}}, \dots, a_{i_{k+r}}] \\
 & \quad \times [\mathbf{f}(y_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(y_{n-k}) \mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_k)] dy_1, \dots, dy_{n-k} \ddagger
 \end{aligned}$$

\* Maschke, "Differential parameters of the first order," *Transactions*, vol. 7 (1906), p. 74, formula (8).

† Cf. Maschke, loc. cit., p. 453, formula (34) and p. 455, formula (61). Only the cases  $k=1$  and  $k=2$  are given by Maschke but this extension is easily proved.

‡ This formula is given in my paper "Vector interpretation of symbolic differential parameters," *Transactions*, vol. 11, p. 470.

the summation extending over all distinct combinations  $i_1, \dots, i_r$  of  $r$  of the subscripts  $1, 2, \dots, k + r$  and the order  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{k+r}$  being so chosen that it may be obtained from  $1, 2, \dots, k + r$  by an even number of transpositions.

8. We now consider a special case in which  $f$  is linear in the  $u_i$  and a set of  $n$  normed and mutually orthogonal functions  $f_{(1)}, f_{(2)}, \dots, f_{(n)}$ , of the variable  $x$

$$(10) \quad f = u_1 f_{(1)} + u_2 f_{(2)} + \dots + u_n f_{(n)}.$$

We shall also suppose the functions  $a_i, b_i$ , etc., of the  $u$ 's to be linear, and write

$$(11) \quad a_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{ij} u_j, \quad b_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_{ij} u_j, \quad \text{etc.},$$

where the coefficients  $\alpha_{ij}, \beta_{ij}$ , etc., are constant.

With every linear function  $a_i$  of the  $u$ 's we shall associate a function  $\mathbf{a}_i(x)$ , defined by

$$(12) \quad \mathbf{a}_i(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_{ij} f_{(j)}.$$

We then introduce the notations

$$(13) \quad \mathbf{A}_{(x_1, \dots, x_k)} = \frac{1}{k!} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{a}_1(x_k) \\ \mathbf{a}_2(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{a}_2(x_k) \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{a}_k(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{a}_k(x_k) \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(14) \quad \mathbf{F}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = [f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n)].$$

We define the complement of  $\mathbf{A}$  (written  $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$ ) by the formula

$$(15) \quad \begin{aligned} & (\mathbf{A})_{(x_1, \dots, x_{n-k})} \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(y_1, \dots, y_k, x_1, \dots, x_{n-k}) \mathbf{A}_{(y_1, \dots, y_k)} dy_1 \dots dy_k. \end{aligned}$$

The following formula may then be easily proved :

$$(16) \quad \begin{aligned} & k!(n-k)! \mathbf{A}_{(x_1, \dots, x_k)} \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 [f(y_1), \dots, f(y_{n-k}), f(x_1), \dots, f(x_k)] \\ & \quad \times [f(y_1), \dots, f(y_{n-k}), a_1, \dots, a_k] dy_1 \dots dy_{n-k} \end{aligned}$$

$$(17) \quad \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{k! [(n-k)!]^3} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 \mathbf{F}(y_1, \dots, y_k x_1, \dots, x_{n-k})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \times \int_0^1 \binom{n-k}{0} \mathbf{F}(z_1, \dots, z_{n-k}y_1, \dots, y_k) \\
 & \times [\mathbf{f}(z_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(z_{n-k}), a_1, \dots, a_k] dz_1, \dots, dz_{n-k} dy_1, \dots, dy_k \\
 & = \pm \frac{1}{(n-k)!} [\mathbf{f}(x_1), \dots, \mathbf{f}(x_{n-k}), a_1, \dots, a_k]. \\
 (18) \qquad \qquad \qquad \bar{\bar{\mathbf{A}}} &= \pm \mathbf{A}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (19) \quad \int_0^1 \binom{k}{1} \mathbf{A}_{(x_1, \dots, x_k)} \mathbf{B}_{(x_1, \dots, x_k)} dx_1, \dots, dx_k \\
 \times \int_0^1 \binom{n-k}{0} (\bar{\mathbf{A}})_{(x_1, \dots, x_{n-k})} (\bar{\mathbf{B}})_{(x_1, \dots, x_{n-k})} dx_1, \dots, dx_{n-k}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting in formulas (7), (8), and (9), we have

$$(7') \quad \int_0^1 \binom{k}{0} \mathbf{A}_{(x_1, \dots, x_k)} \mathbf{B}_{(x_1, \dots, x_k)} dx_1, \dots, dx_k = \left| \int_0^1 \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{b}_j dx \right|, *$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (8') \quad \int_0^1 \binom{n-k}{0} \mathbf{A}_{(x_1, \dots, x_{n-k})} (\bar{\mathbf{B}})_{(x_1, \dots, x_{n-k})} dx_1, \dots, dx_{n-k} \\
 = (-1)^{k(n-k)} \int_0^1 \binom{k}{0} (\bar{\mathbf{A}})_{(x_1, \dots, x_k)} \mathbf{B}_{(x_1, \dots, x_k)} dx_1, \dots, dx_k,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (9') \quad \int_0^1 \binom{j}{0} (\bar{\mathbf{A}})_{(y_1, \dots, y_j)} (\bar{\mathbf{B}})_{(x_1, \dots, x_k y_1, \dots, y_j)} dy_1, \dots, dy_j \\
 = \frac{k! j!}{(k+j)!} \sum_i \mathbf{A}_{i(x_1, \dots, x_k)} \int_0^1 \binom{j}{1} (\bar{\mathbf{A}}_i)_{(y_1, \dots, y_j)} (\bar{\mathbf{B}})_{(y_1, \dots, y_j)} dy_1, \dots, dy_j
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $k + j = n - r$  and where  $i$  has the same meaning as in formula (9).

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\*This identity is proved directly by Professor R. G. D. Richardson and Dr. W. A. Hurwitz in the paper "Note on determinants whose terms are certain integrals," BULLETIN, vol. 16, p. 16.