

# Asymptotic expansions and Stokes multipliers of the confluent hypergeometric function $\Phi_2$

## II. Behaviour near $(\infty, \infty)$ in $P^1(C) \times P^1(C)$

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### 1. Introduction.

The confluent hypergeometric function

$$\Phi_2(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = \sum_{m, n \geq 0} \frac{(\beta)_m (\beta')_n}{(\gamma)_{m+n} (1)_m (1)_n} x^m y^n \quad (1.1)$$

with  $(\beta)_m = \Gamma(\beta + m)/\Gamma(\beta)$  satisfies a system of partial differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} xz_{xx} + yz_{xy} + (\gamma - x)z_x - \beta z &= 0, \\ yz_{yy} + xz_{xy} + (\gamma - y)z_y - \beta' z &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

(see [4, §5.9]) for  $(x, y) \in P^1(C) \times P^1(C)$ . Observing that  $(x - y)z_{xy} - \beta' z_x + \beta z_y = 0$ , we can verify that  $(z, xz_x, yz_y)$  satisfies a Pfaffian system which possesses the singular loci  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $x = y$  of regular type and  $x = \infty$ ,  $y = \infty$  of irregular type, and that the solutions of (1.2) constitute a three-dimensional vector space over  $C$ . In the previous paper [6], we defined linearly independent solutions  $z_+$ ,  $z_0$ ,  $z_-$  admitting integral representations. Modifying the paths of integration, we obtained monodromy matrices with respect to them. The main theorems in [6] give the asymptotic properties of them near the singular loci  $x = \infty$  ( $y$  is bounded) and  $y = \infty$  ( $x$  is bounded), that is to say, asymptotic expansions in powers of  $1/x$  and  $1/y$ , respectively, and Stokes multipliers. By a connection formula, the asymptotic behaviour of  $\Phi_2(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y)$  itself is also clarified near these singular loci.

The present paper gives asymptotic expansions and Stokes multipliers of linearly independent solutions as  $(x, y)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$ . Consequently, we know the asymptotic behaviour of the general solutions in the whole tubular neighbourhood around the singular loci of irregular type. As in [6], an integral of the form

$$\int_C t^{\beta+\beta'-\gamma} (t-x)^{-\beta} (t-y)^{-\beta'} e^t dt \quad (1.3)$$

(by Erdélyi [2], [3]) satisfying (1.2) plays an important role. (For the integral see also [1], [5].) The difficulty of our problem is caused by the fact that the three singular loci  $x = \infty$ ,  $y = \infty$ ,  $x = y$  meet at one point  $(x, y) = (\infty, \infty)$ . In Section 2, we define four

solutions of (1.2) expressible in the form (1.3) and five domains of which the union covers the full neighbourhood of  $(x, y) = (\infty, \infty)$ . In each domain, we examine the asymptotic behaviour of a suitably chosen triplet of linearly independent solutions. In Sections 3 and 5, we state main theorems which give asymptotic expansions and Stokes multipliers, respectively. They are proved in Sections 4 and 6. In the final section, we explain the asymptotic behaviour of  $\Phi_2$ .

Throughout this paper, we assume that none of the complex numbers  $\beta$ ,  $\beta'$ ,  $\gamma - \beta - \beta'$ ,  $\beta - \gamma$ ,  $\beta' - \gamma$  and  $\beta + \beta'$  is an integer. For a complex number  $\lambda$ , we use the notation

$$e^{(\lambda)} = \exp(2\pi i \lambda). \quad (1.4)$$

## 2. Preliminaries.

### 2.1. Integrals.

Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the universal covering space of the domain  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid |x| > M, |y| > M, y - x \neq 0\}$ , where  $M$  is a sufficiently large positive constant. Consider the domain

$$\Delta = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < \arg x < \pi < \arg y < 2\pi, \pi < \arg(y - x) < 2\pi\}, \quad (2.1)$$

which is simply connected. For  $(x, y) \in \Delta$ , we put

$$z_+(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = (1 - e^{(\beta)})^{-1} \int_{C(x)} f(x, y, t) dt, \quad (2.2)$$

$$z_0(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = (1 - e^{(\gamma - \beta - \beta')})^{-1} \int_{C(0)} f(x, y, t) dt, \quad (2.3)$$

$$z_-(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = (1 - e^{(\beta')})^{-1} \int_{C(y)} f(x, y, t) dt, \quad (2.4)$$

$$z_*(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = (1 - e^{(\gamma - \beta - \beta')})^{-1} \int_{C_*(0)} f(x, y, t) dt \quad (2.5)$$

with

$$f(x, y, t) = t^{\beta + \beta' - \gamma} (t - x)^{-\beta} (t - y)^{-\beta'} e^t. \quad (2.6)$$

Here the paths of integration and the branch of each integrand are taken in such a way that they have the following properties:

- (i)  $C(0)$ ,  $C(x)$ ,  $C(y)$  and  $C_*(0)$  are loops which start from  $t = -\infty$ , encircle the points 0,  $x$ ,  $y$  and 0, respectively, in the positive sense, and end at  $t = -\infty$ .
- (ii) These paths are located as described in Fig.1.
- (iii) The branch of  $f(x, y, t)$  in each integral is taken such that

$$\arg t = \pi, \quad \arg(t - x) = \pi, \quad \arg(t - y) = \pi \quad (2.7)$$

at the endpoint  $t = -\infty$  of the corresponding path of integration.

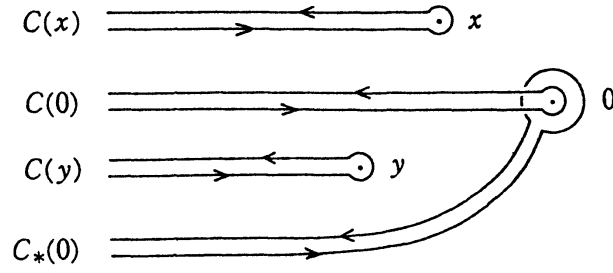


Fig. 1.

By modifying the paths of integration, we obtain the analytic continuations of these integrals to the whole domain  $\mathcal{R}$ , which are also denoted by the same notation. Furthermore they are often expressed by appropriate abbreviations. For example the function  $z_+(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y)$  is written as  $z_+$  or  $z_+(x, y)$ , when it is not necessary to indicate the variables or the parameters. As was shown in [6], the integrals  $z_+, z_0, z_-$  are linearly independent solutions of (1.2). Note that  $(1 - e^{(\gamma - \beta - \beta')})z_* = I_1 + I_2 + I_3$ . Here  $I_1, I_2, I_3$  are integrals along the contours  $C(y), C(0), -C(y)$ , respectively, of which integrands are determined in such a way that, at the endpoints of the paths of integration,  $(\arg t, \arg(t-x), \arg(t-y)) = (-\pi, \pi, 3\pi), (\pi, \pi, 3\pi), (\pi, \pi, \pi)$ , respectively (see Fig.2). Since  $I_1 = e^{(\gamma - \beta - \beta')}(e^{(-\beta')} - 1)z_-$ ,  $I_2 = e^{(-\beta')}(1 - e^{(\gamma - \beta - \beta')})z_0$ ,  $I_3 = (1 - e^{(-\beta')})z_-$ , the new integral  $z_*$  is written in the form

$$z_* = e^{(-\beta')}z_0 + (1 - e^{(-\beta')})z_-; \quad (2.8)$$

hence  $z_+, z_*, z_-$  are also linearly independent solutions.

Note that integral representation (2.3), with unmodified path  $C(0)$ , gives the analytic continuation of  $z_0$  to the domain

$$-\pi/2 < \arg x < 0, \quad \pi < \arg(y-x) < \arg y < 3\pi/2. \quad (2.9)$$

Assume that  $(x, y) = (e^{-\pi i}x', y' - x')$  satisfies (2.9) and that  $\arg((y' - x') - e^{-\pi i}x') = \arg y'$ . Then we have  $\pi/2 < \arg x' < \pi < \arg y' < \arg(y' - x') < 3\pi/2$ . In (2.3), we replace  $(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y)$  by  $(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta', \gamma, e^{-\pi i}x', y' - x')$ , and put  $t = v - x'$ . Then the resulting expression is  $e^{-x'}z_+(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x', y')$ . Applying the same replacement to (2.4) in

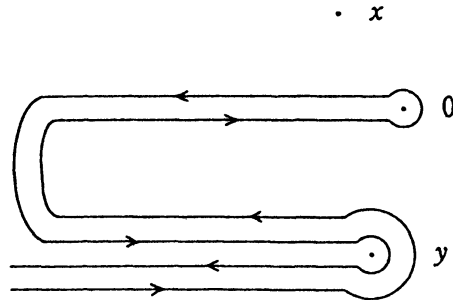


Fig. 2.

domain (2.9), we obtain the integral  $e^{-x'} z_-(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x', y')$ . Using the uniqueness of analytic continuation, we have the following proposition.

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** *We have*

$$z_+(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = e^x z_0(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta', \gamma, e^{-\pi i} x, y - x), \quad (2.10)$$

$$z_-(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = e^x z_-(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta', \gamma, e^{-\pi i} x, y - x) \quad (2.11)$$

on  $\mathcal{R}$ , where  $\arg((y - x) - e^{-\pi i} x)$  is to be  $\arg y$ .

Starting from integral representations (2.2) and (2.4) in the domain  $\pi < \arg x < 3\pi/2 < \arg y < 2\pi < \arg(y - x) < 5\pi/2$ , we arrive at the following proposition:

**PROPOSITION 2.2.** *We have*

$$z_-(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = e^x z_+(\beta', \gamma - \beta - \beta', \gamma, y - x, e^{\pi i} x), \quad (2.12)$$

$$z_*(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = e^x z_-(\beta', \gamma - \beta - \beta', \gamma, y - x, e^{\pi i} x) \quad (2.13)$$

on  $\mathcal{R}$ , where  $\arg(e^{\pi i} x - (y - x))$  is to be  $\pi + \arg y$ .

Consider the analytic continuations of (2.4) and (2.5) to the domain  $0 < \arg x < \pi/2 < \arg y < \arg(y - x) < \pi$ , and those of (2.3) and (2.4) to the domain  $\pi/2 < \arg x < \pi < \arg(y - x) < 2\pi < \arg y < 5\pi/2$ . Then, putting  $t = v - y$ , in these integrals, we have the following results:

**PROPOSITION 2.3.** *We have*

$$z_+(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = e^y z_-(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta, \gamma, e^{-\pi i} y, e^{-\pi i}(y - x)), \quad (2.14)$$

$$z_-(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = e^y z_*(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta, \gamma, e^{-\pi i} y, e^{-\pi i}(y - x)) \quad (2.15)$$

on  $\mathcal{R}$ , where  $\arg(e^{-\pi i}(y - x) - e^{-\pi i} y)$  is to be  $\arg x$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.4.** *We have*

$$z_-(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = e^y z_0(\beta, \gamma - \beta - \beta', \gamma, e^{-\pi i}(y - x), e^{\pi i} y), \quad (2.16)$$

$$z_*(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = e^y z_-(\beta, \gamma - \beta - \beta', \gamma, e^{-\pi i}(y - x), e^{\pi i} y) \quad (2.17)$$

on  $\mathcal{R}$ , where  $\arg(e^{\pi i} y - e^{-\pi i}(y - x))$  is to be  $\pi + \arg x$ .

## 2.2. Domains.

Let  $r, r', R$  and  $\varepsilon$  be arbitrary positive constants satisfying  $1 < r < r' \leq 5/4$ ,  $R > 1$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1/24$ . Consider five domains defined by

$$D_1(r) = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{R} \mid |x| > r|y|\},$$

$$D_2(r) = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{R} \mid |y| > r|x|\},$$

$$D_0(R) = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{R} \mid 0 < |y - x| < R\},$$

$$D'_0(R) = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{R} \mid R/2 < |y - x| < |x|/3\},$$

$$D_*(r', \varepsilon) = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{R} \mid 1/r' < |y/x| < r', |y - x| > (1/3 - \varepsilon)|x|\}.$$

The union of them covers  $\mathcal{R}$  completely. By  $E$  we denote an arbitrary one among them. Then  $E \cap \Delta$  is connected and not empty. Let  $c(E)$  denote the connected component of  $E$  including  $E \cap \Delta$ . In the subsequent sections, we are concerned with the asymptotic behaviour of the solutions  $z_+$ ,  $z_0$ ,  $z_-$ ,  $z_*$  in  $c(E)$ . In the other connected components of  $E$ , we can also derive the asymptotic representations from those in  $c(E)$ , using the monodromy matrices  $M_0, M_1$  and  $M_2$  (cf. Section 6 and [6, Proposition 2.1]).

### 3. Asymptotic expansions.

Before the statement of our results, we give some definitions of asymptotic expansions in two variables. Let  $K(U, V)$  be a formal power series defined by  $\sum a_{mn} U^m V^n$  ( $0 \leq m < +\infty, 0 \leq n < +\infty$ ). Denote by  $K_N(U, V)$  ( $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ) the partial sum of  $K(U, V)$  over  $(m, n)$  such that  $m + n \leq N$ . We write  $\eta = y/x$ . Let  $Y$  be a variable  $y$  or  $y - x$ . Let  $f(x, y), u(\eta)$  and  $v(\eta)$  be functions holomorphic in a sector of the form

$$S_0 = \{(x, y) \in E \mid |\arg x - \theta_1| < \Theta_1, |\arg Y - \theta_2| < \Theta_2\}$$

( $\theta_j \in \mathbb{R}, \Theta_j > 0$  ( $j = 1, 2$ )), where  $E$  denotes one of the domains defined in the preceding section except  $D_0(R)$ . If, for every positive integer  $N$ , there exists a positive constant  $M_N$  such that

$$|f(x, y) - K_N(u(\eta)/x, v(\eta)/Y)| \leq M_N(|x|^{-N-1} + |Y|^{-N-1})$$

in  $S_0$ , then we say that  $f(x, y)$  admits the asymptotic expansion  $K(u(\eta)/x, v(\eta)/Y)$  as  $(x, Y)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $S_0$ . In  $E$ , at least either  $\eta$  or  $\eta^{-1}$  is bounded. Suppose that, for every  $(x, y) \in E$ , the variable  $\eta$  belongs to a bounded set  $E'$  ( $\subset C$ ). Let  $t(\eta)$  and  $w(\eta)$  be functions holomorphic in  $E'$ . If, for every positive integer  $N$ , there exists a positive constant  $M_N$  such that

$$|f(x, y) - K_N(t(\eta)/x, w(\eta)/x)| < M_N |x|^{-N-1}$$

in a sector of the form  $\{(x, y) \in E \mid |\arg x - \theta'_1| < \Theta'_1, \eta \in E'\}$  ( $\theta'_1 \in \mathbb{R}, \Theta'_1 > 0$ ), then we say that  $f(x, y)$  admits the asymptotic expansion  $K(t(\eta)/x, w(\eta)/x)$  uniformly for  $\eta \in E'$  as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $|\arg x - \theta'_1| < \Theta'_1$ . For each fixed  $\eta \in E'$ , we can analogously define an asymptotic expansion in powers of  $(t(\eta)/x, w(\eta)/x)$  as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $|\arg x - \theta'_1| < \Theta'_1$ . In what follows, to indicate the asymptotic relations defined above, we use the notation

$$f(x, y) \sim K(u(\eta)/x, v(\eta)/Y) \quad ((x, Y) \longrightarrow (\infty, \infty) \text{ through } S_0),$$

$$f(x, y) \sim K(t(\eta)/x, w(\eta)/x) \quad (x \longrightarrow \infty \text{ through the sector } |\arg x - \theta'_1| < \Theta'_1 \text{ uniformly for } \eta \in E'),$$

respectively. If the quotient  $f(x, y)/g(x, y)$ , where  $g(x, y)$  is a given function, admits an asymptotic expansion  $K(u(\eta)/x, v(\eta)/Y)$  (or  $K(t(\eta)/x, w(\eta)/x)$ ), then we write in the form  $f(x, y) \sim g(x, y)K(u(\eta)/x, v(\eta)/Y)$  (or  $f(x, y) \sim g(x, y)K(t(\eta)/x, w(\eta)/x)$ ).

Let  $H(\beta, \beta', \gamma; t, u)$  be a formal power series defined by

$$H(\beta, \beta', \gamma; t, u) = \sum_{\substack{m \geq 0 \\ n \geq 0}} \frac{(\beta)_m (\beta')_n (\beta + \beta' - \gamma + 1)_{m+n}}{(1)_m (1)_n} t^m u^n.$$

Recall the power series expressions (cf. [6, §3])

$$\begin{aligned} T(\beta, \beta', \gamma, s; u) &= \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(\beta)_n (\beta + \beta' - \gamma + 1)_n}{(1)_n (\beta - \gamma + 2)_n} \\ &\quad \times s^n {}_1F_1(\beta + \beta' - \gamma + n + 1, \beta - \gamma + n + 2, s) u^n, \\ U(\beta, \beta', \gamma, s; u) &= \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(\beta)_n (\beta - \gamma)_{n+1}}{(1)_n} {}_1F_1(\beta', \gamma - \beta - n, s) u^n, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$V(\beta, \beta', \gamma, s; u) = \sum_{n \geq 0} (1 - \beta)_n P_n(\beta, \beta', \gamma, s) u^n$$

with

$$P_n(\beta, \beta', \gamma, s) = \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{(\beta')_m (\gamma - \beta - \beta')_{n-m}}{(\beta - n)_m (1)_{n-m}} L_m^{(\beta-n-1)}(s).$$

Here  ${}_1F_1(a, c, s)$  is the confluent hypergeometric function and  $L_m^{(a)}(s)$  is the Laguerre polynomial

$$L_m^{(a)}(s) = \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m+a}{m-j} \frac{(-s)^j}{(1)_j}.$$

In what follows, we write  $\eta = y/x$ ,  $\xi = \eta^{-1}$ ;  $\delta$  denotes an arbitrary small positive constant and  $\delta_r$  an arbitrary constant satisfying  $\sin^{-1}(1/r) < \delta_r < \pi/2$ .

### 3.1. Asymptotic expansions in $c(D_1(r))$ .

Note that  $|\eta| < 1/r$  in  $c(D_1(r))$ .

**THEOREM 3.1.** *In the domain  $c(D_1(r))$  we have the following asymptotic expansions:*

$$(i) \quad z_+ \sim -e^{-\beta\pi i} \Gamma(1 - \beta) x^{\beta-\gamma} (1 - \eta)^{-\beta'} e^x H(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta', \gamma; 1/x, (1 - \eta)^{-1}/x) \quad (3.1)$$

uniformly for  $|\eta| < 1/r$  as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $|\arg x - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ ;

$$(ii) \quad z_0 \sim -e^{(2\beta'-\gamma)\pi i} \Gamma(\beta + \beta' - \gamma + 1) x^{-\beta} y^{-\beta'} H(\beta, \beta', \gamma; -1/x, -1/y) \quad (3.2)$$

as  $(x, y)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r, |\arg y - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} (iii) \quad z_- &\sim -e^{-(\beta+\beta')\pi i} \Gamma(1 - \beta') x^{-\beta} y^{\beta+\beta'-\gamma} (1 - \eta)^{-\beta} e^y \\ &\quad \times H(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta, \gamma; 1/y, -(1 - \eta)^{-1}/x) \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

as  $(x, y)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r, |\arg y - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ .

### 3.2. Asymptotic expansions in $c(D_2(r))$ .

Note that  $|\xi| < 1/r$  in  $c(D_2(r))$ .

**THEOREM 3.2.** *In the domain  $c(D_2(r))$  we have the following asymptotic expansions:*

$$(i) \quad \begin{aligned} z_+ &\sim -e^{(\beta' - \beta)\pi i} \Gamma(1 - \beta) x^{\beta + \beta' - \gamma} y^{-\beta'} (1 - \xi)^{-\beta'} e^x \\ &\quad \times H(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta', \gamma; 1/x, -(1 - \xi)^{-1}/y) \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

as  $(x, y)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $|\arg x - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta, |\arg y - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ ;

$$(ii) \quad z_0 \sim -e^{(2\beta' - \gamma)\pi i} \Gamma(\beta + \beta' - \gamma + 1) x^{-\beta} y^{-\beta'} H(\beta, \beta', \gamma; -1/x, -1/y) \quad (3.5)$$

as  $(x, y)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta, |\arg y - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ ;

$$(iii) \quad \begin{aligned} z_- &\sim -e^{-\beta'\pi i} \Gamma(1 - \beta') y^{\beta' - \gamma} (1 - \xi)^{-\beta} e^y \\ &\quad \times H(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta, \gamma; 1/y, (1 - \xi)^{-1}/y) \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

uniformly for  $|\xi| < 1/r$  as  $y$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $|\arg y - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ .

### 3.3. Asymptotic expansions in $c(D_0(R))$ .

It is easy to see that,  $|\arg y - \arg x| < \pi/2$  for  $(x, y) \in c(D_0(R)) \cup c(D'_0(R))$ . In  $c(D_0(R))$ , when  $x \rightarrow \infty$  through each sector,  $y$  also tends to  $\infty$  and satisfies  $\arg y - \arg x \rightarrow 0$ .

**THEOREM 3.3.** *In the domain  $c(D_0(R))$  we have a convergent series expansion*

$$\begin{aligned} z_+ - z_- &= e^{\beta'\pi i} \frac{\Gamma(1 - \beta)\Gamma(1 - \beta')}{\Gamma(2 - \beta - \beta')} x^{\beta + \beta' - \gamma} (y - x)^{1 - \beta - \beta'} e^x \\ &\quad \times T(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta', \gamma, y - x; -1/x) \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

and the following asymptotic expansions:

$$(i) \quad \begin{aligned} &(1 - e^{(\beta)})z_+ + e^{(\beta)}(1 - e^{(\beta')})z_- \\ &\sim \frac{2\pi i}{\Gamma(\beta + \beta')} x^{\beta + \beta' - \gamma} e^x U(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta', \gamma, y - x; 1/x) \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

uniformly for  $|y - x| < R$  as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $|\arg x - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ ;

$$(ii) \quad z_* \sim -e^{-\gamma\pi i} \Gamma(\beta + \beta' - \gamma + 1) x^{-\beta - \beta'} V(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta', \gamma, y - x; -1/x) \quad (3.9)$$

uniformly for  $|y - x| < R$  as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ .

### 3.4. Asymptotic expansions in $c(D'_0(R))$ .

Note that  $|\eta - 1| < 1/3$  in  $c(D'_0(R))$ .

**THEOREM 3.4.** *In the domain  $c(D'_0(R))$  we have the following asymptotic expansions:*

$$(i) \quad \begin{aligned} z_+ &\sim -e^{(\beta'-\beta)\pi i} \Gamma(1-\beta) x^{\beta+\beta'-\gamma} (y-x)^{-\beta'} e^x \\ &\quad \times H(\gamma-\beta-\beta', \beta', \gamma; 1/x, -1/(y-x)) \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

as  $(x, y-x)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $|\arg x - \pi| < 4\pi/3$ ,  $|\arg(y-x) - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ ;

$$(ii) \quad z_* \sim -e^{-\gamma\pi i} \Gamma(\beta + \beta' - \gamma + 1) x^{-\beta-\beta'} \eta^{-\beta'} H(\beta, \beta', \gamma; -1/x, -\eta^{-1}/x) \quad (3.11)$$

uniformly for  $|\eta - 1| < 1/3$  as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $|\arg x| < 4\pi/3$ ;

$$(iii) \quad \begin{aligned} z_- &\sim -e^{-\beta'\pi i} \Gamma(1-\beta') (x\eta)^{\beta+\beta'-\gamma} (y-x)^{-\beta} e^{\eta x} \\ &\quad \times H(\gamma-\beta-\beta', \beta, \gamma; \eta^{-1}/x, 1/(y-x)) \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

as  $(x, y-x)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $|\arg x - \pi| < 4\pi/3$ ,  $|\arg(y-x) - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ .

### 3.5. Asymptotic expansions in $c(D_*(r', \varepsilon))$ .

Note that  $D_*(r', \varepsilon)$  is expressible in the form

$$D_*(r', \varepsilon) = \{(x, x\eta) \in \mathcal{R} | 1/r' < |\eta| < r', |1-\eta| > 1/3 - \varepsilon\}.$$

Since  $0 < \arg y - \arg x < 2\pi$  for  $(x, y) \in c(D_*(r', \varepsilon))$ , there exists a constant  $\theta_0$  ( $\delta < \theta_0 < \pi/6$ ) such that  $|\arg \eta - \pi| = |\arg y - \arg x - \pi| < \pi - \theta_0$  in this domain. In fact, if  $\theta_0$  satisfies  $|r' e^{i\theta_0} - 1| < 1/3 - \varepsilon$  and  $|(1/r') e^{i\theta_0} - 1| < 1/3 - \varepsilon$ , then this inequality is valid. For instance a numerical computation shows that we can take  $\theta_0 = \pi/16$ , if  $r' = 5/4$ ,  $\varepsilon \leq 1/1600$ , and  $\theta_0 = \pi/12$ , if  $r' = 9/8$ ,  $\varepsilon \leq 1/35$ . Consider the subdomains

$$\begin{aligned} c_+(r', \varepsilon) &= \{(x, x\eta) \in c(D_*(r', \varepsilon)) | \theta_0 < \arg \eta < \pi - \theta_0\}, \\ c_0(r', \varepsilon) &= \{(x, x\eta) \in c(D_*(r', \varepsilon)) | 5\pi/6 < \arg \eta < 7\pi/6\}, \\ c_-(r', \varepsilon) &= \{(x, x\eta) \in c(D_*(r', \varepsilon)) | \pi + \theta_0 < \arg \eta < 2\pi - \theta_0\}, \end{aligned}$$

which satisfy

$$c(D_*(r', \varepsilon)) = c_+(r', \varepsilon) \cup c_0(r', \varepsilon) \cup c_-(r', \varepsilon).$$

We can regard  $z_+, z_0, z_-, z_*$  as functions of  $(x, \eta)$ .

**THEOREM 3.5.** *Put  $K_+ = \{s \in \mathbf{C} | 1/r' < |s| < r', |1-s| > 1/3 - \varepsilon, \theta_0 < \arg s < \pi - \theta_0\}$  and  $\theta = \arg \eta$ . Then, in the domain  $c_+(r', \varepsilon)$ , we have the following asymptotic expansions:*

(i) *for each  $\eta \in K_+$ ,*

$$z_+ \sim -e^{-\beta\pi i} \Gamma(1-\beta) (1-\eta)^{-\beta'} x^{\beta-\gamma} e^x H(\gamma-\beta-\beta', \beta', \gamma; 1/x, (1-\eta)^{-1}/x) \quad (3.13)$$

as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $\pi/2 - \theta < \arg x < 5\pi/2 - \delta$ ;



(ii) for each  $\eta \in K_+$ ,

$$z_* \sim -e^{-\gamma \eta i} \Gamma(\beta + \beta' - \gamma + 1) \eta^{-\beta'} x^{-\beta-\beta'} H(\beta, \beta', \gamma; -1/x, -\eta^{-1}/x) \quad (3.14)$$

as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $-3\pi/2 + \delta < \arg x < 3\pi/2 - \theta - \delta$ ;

(iii) for each  $\eta \in K_+$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} z_- \sim & -e^{-(\beta+\beta')\pi i} \Gamma(1 - \beta') \eta^{\beta+\beta'-\gamma} (1 - \eta)^{-\beta} x^{\beta'-\gamma} e^{\eta x} \\ & \times H(\gamma - \beta - \beta', \beta, \gamma; \eta^{-1}/x, -(1 - \eta)^{-1}/x) \end{aligned} \quad (3.15)$$

as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sector  $-\pi/2 - \theta + \delta < \arg x < 3\pi/2$ .

The asymptotic representations of  $z_+$ , of  $z_*$  and of  $z_-$  given above are uniformly valid for  $\eta \in K_+$  as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sectors  $\pi/2 - \theta_0 < \arg x < 5\pi/2 - \delta$ ,  $-3\pi/2 + \delta < \arg x < \pi/2 + \theta_0 - \delta$ , and  $-\pi/2 - \theta_0 + \delta < \arg x < 3\pi/2$ , respectively.

**THEOREM 3.6.** Put  $K_- = \{s \in \mathbb{C} | 1/r' < |s| < r', |1 - s| > 1/3 - \varepsilon, \pi + \theta_0 < \arg s < 2\pi - \theta_0\}$  and  $\theta' = 2\pi - \arg \eta$ . Then, in the domain  $c_-(r', \varepsilon)$ , for each  $\eta \in K_-$ , the integrals  $z_+$ ,  $e^{(-\beta')} z_0$  and  $z_-$  admit the asymptotic expansions in the right-hand members of (3.13), (3.14) and (3.15), respectively, as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sectors  $-\pi/2 + \delta < \arg x < 3\pi/2 + \theta'$ ,  $-3\pi/2 + \theta' + \delta < \arg x < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ , and  $-3\pi/2 < \arg x < \pi/2 + \theta' - \delta$ , respectively.

**THEOREM 3.7.** Put  $K_0 = \{s \in \mathbb{C} | 1/r' < |s| < r', 5\pi/6 < \arg s < 7\pi/6\}$  and  $\theta'' = |\pi - \arg \eta|$ . Then, in the domain  $c_0(r', \varepsilon)$ , for each  $\eta \in K_0$ , the integrals  $z_+$ ,  $z_*$ ,  $e^{(-\beta')} z_0$  and  $z_-$  admit the asymptotic expansions in the right-hand members of (3.13), (3.14), (3.14) and (3.15), respectively, as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through the sectors  $-\pi/2 + \theta'' + \delta < \arg x < 5\pi/2 - \theta'' - \delta$ ,  $-3\pi/2 + \delta < \arg x < \pi/2 - \theta'' - \delta$ ,  $-\pi/2 + \theta'' + \delta < \arg x < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ , and  $-3\pi/2 + \theta'' + \delta < \arg x < 3\pi/2 - \theta'' - \delta$ , respectively.

## 4. Proofs of the theorems in Section 3.

### 4.1. Proofs of Theorems 3.1 and 3.2.

We prove Theorem 3.1 only. Theorem 3.2 is proved in a similar way. First we consider the function  $z_0$ . Let  $\delta$  be an arbitrary small positive constant. In order to calculate an asymptotic expansion in  $c(D_1(r))$ , we have to modify continuously the path  $C(0)$ , which is originally defined for  $(x, y) \in \Delta$ , so that it has the following properties:

(a)  $C(0)$  lies outside the circles  $|t - x| = \delta'|x|$ ,  $|t - y| = \delta'|x|$ , where  $\delta'$  is some positive constant;

(b)  $C(0)$  consists of  $C_{x,y}$ , the circle  $|t| = 1$ , and  $-C_{x,y}$ , where  $C_{x,y}$  denotes a curve defined by  $t = \tau + ig(\tau)$  ( $-\infty < \tau < 0$ ,  $|t| \geq 1$ ),  $g(\tau)$  being a real-valued piecewise smooth function such that  $g'(\tau) = O(1)$  for  $-\infty < \tau < 0$ .

To verify this modifiability, assume that  $(x, y) \in c(D_1(r))$  belongs to the sector

$$|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r, \quad |\arg y - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta, \quad (4.1)$$

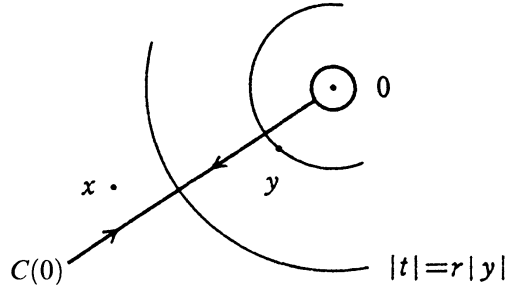


Fig. 3.

where  $\delta_r$  is a constant satisfying  $\sin^{-1}(1/r) < \delta_r < \pi/2$ . Then, as is shown below, such a modification of  $C(0)$  is possible. Note that  $t = x$  moves outside the circle  $|t| = r|y|$ . If  $|\arg x - (\arg y - 2\pi)| < 2\pi - \delta$ , then we can take  $C_{x,y}$  to be the half line  $t = \tau + ig(\tau)$  with  $g(\tau) = \tau \tan \phi_0$ , where  $\phi_0 = \phi_0(x, y)$  satisfies  $|\phi_0 - \pi| < \pi/2 - \delta/2$  (cf. Fig.3); hence conditions (a) and (b) are satisfied. In the remaining case where  $|\arg x - (\arg y - 2\pi)| \geq 2\pi - \delta$ , we can also modify  $C(0)$  preserving the properties above. For example, when  $\pi/2 < \arg y - \delta \leq \arg x < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ , we can take  $C_{x,y}$  to be the broken line  $t = \tau + ig(\tau)$  with

$$g(\tau) = \begin{cases} \tau \tan(\arg y - \delta''), & \text{if } \operatorname{Re} y \leq \tau < 0, \\ (\tau - \operatorname{Re} y) \tan \phi_1 + g(\operatorname{Re} y), & \text{if } -\infty < \tau < \operatorname{Re} y, \end{cases}$$

such that  $C(0)$  satisfies (a) and (b), where  $\delta'' = \delta''(y, \delta')$  ( $< \delta$ ) is a small positive constant and  $\phi_1 = \phi_1(x, y, \delta')$  is a constant satisfying  $|\phi_1 - \pi| \leq \pi/2 - (\delta_r - \sin^{-1}(1/r))/2$  (cf. Fig.4). Thus, under (4.1), there exists a desired modification of  $C(0)$ . If  $\delta_r \leq \sin^{-1}(1/r)$ , we cannot take  $C_{x,y}$  any longer. This implies that the inequality on  $\delta_r$  is essential.

In view of condition (2.7), we can write  $t - x = e^{\pi i} x(1 - t/x)$  and  $t - y = e^{-\pi i} y(1 - t/y)$  for  $t \in C(0)$ , in which  $\arg(1 - t/x) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $t/x \rightarrow 0$ ) and

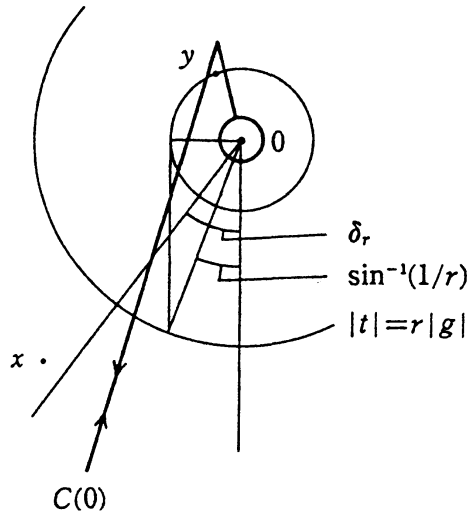


Fig. 4.

$\arg(1 - t/y) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $t/y \rightarrow 0$ ). Applying [6, Lemma 4.1] to the factors  $(1 - t/x)^{-\beta}$  and  $(1 - t/y)^{-\beta'}$ , we write the integrand in the form

$$e^{(\beta' - \beta)\pi i} x^{-\beta} y^{-\beta'} \left( \sum_{m+n \leq N} \frac{(\beta)_m (\beta')_n}{(1)_m (1)_n} t^{m+n} x^{-m} y^{-n} + O(t^{N+1}(|x|^{-N-1} + |y|^{-N-1})) \right) t^{\beta + \beta' - \gamma} e^t$$

for  $t \in C(0)$ , where  $N$  is an arbitrary large positive integer. For each  $\lambda \in \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{Z}$  and  $v \in N$  ( $v > \operatorname{Re} \lambda$ ), using property (b), we have

$$(1 - e^{(-\lambda)})^{-1} \int_{C(0)} t^{\lambda+v} e^t dt = (-1)^{v+1} e^{\lambda \pi i} (\lambda + 1)_v \Gamma(\lambda + 1),$$

and

$$\int_{C(0)} |t^{\lambda+v} e^t| |dt| = O\left(\int_{-\infty}^0 |\sigma|^{\operatorname{Re} \lambda + v} e^{\sigma} d\sigma\right) = O(1).$$

Using these estimates, we arrive at asymptotic expansion (3.2) as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (\infty, \infty)$  through the sector given above.

Next consider the function  $z_-$ . As long as  $(x, y)$  belongs to the sector  $|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ ,  $|\arg y - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ , we can modify the path  $C(y)$  continuously in such a way that it has the following properties:

(a')  $C(y)$  lies outside the circles  $|t - x| = \delta'|x|$ ,  $|t| = \delta'|x|$ ;

(b')  $C(y) - y = \{t - y | t \in C(y)\}$  consists of the same circle and the same curves as those of (b).

The verification of this fact is similar to that of the modifiability of  $C(0)$ . Putting  $t = v + y$ , we have

$$z_- = (1 - e^{(\beta')})^{-1} e^y \int_{C(y)-y} v^{-\beta'} (v + y)^{\beta + \beta' - \gamma} (v + y - x)^{-\beta} e^v dv.$$

In view of condition (2.7), the integrand is written as

$$e^{-\beta \pi i} x^{-\beta} y^{\beta + \beta' - \gamma} (1 - \eta)^{-\beta} v^{-\beta'} (1 + v/y)^{\beta + \beta' - \gamma} (1 - v/(x - y))^{-\beta} e^v$$

with  $\eta = y/x$ , where  $\arg(1 - \eta) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $\eta \rightarrow 0$ ),  $\arg(1 + v/y) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $v/y \rightarrow 0$ ) and  $\arg(1 - v/(x - y)) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $v/(x - y) \rightarrow 0$ ). Applying [6, Lemma 4.1] and using properties (a') and (b'), we obtain asymptotic expansion (3.3) uniformly for  $|\eta| < 1/r$ .

Since  $|x| > r|y|$ , as long as  $|\arg x - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ , we can modify the path  $C(x)$  of  $z_+$  continuously in such a way that it has the following properties:

(a'')  $C(x)$  lies outside the circles  $|t| = \delta'|x|$ ,  $|t - y| = \delta'|x|$ ;

(b'')  $C(x)$  consists of the circle  $t - x = e^{i\sigma}$  ( $-\pi + \rho \leq \sigma \leq \pi + \rho$ ) and the two half lines  $t - x = \tau e^{-(\pi + \rho)i}$ ,  $t - x = \tau e^{(\pi + \rho)i}$  ( $\tau \geq 1$ ), where  $\rho$  is some real constant depending on  $x$  and satisfying  $|\rho| < \pi/2$ .

Put  $t = v + x$  and observe that  $x + v = x(1 + v/x)$ ,  $x - y + v = x(1 - \eta)(1 + v/(x - y))$ , where  $\arg(1 + v/x) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $v/x \rightarrow 0$ ),  $\arg(1 - \eta) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $\eta \rightarrow 0$ ), and

$\arg(1 + v/(x - y)) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $v/(x - y) \rightarrow 0$ ). Using these facts and [6, Lemma 4.1], we obtain asymptotic expansion of (3.1). This completes the proof of Theorem 3.1.

#### 4.2. Proof of Theorem 3.3.

By virtue of [6, Propositions 5.1 and 5.2] combined with formulae (2.10) and (2.11), we can easily obtain the convergent series expansion of  $z_+ - z_-$  and the asymptotic representation of  $(1 - e^{(\beta)})z_+ + e^{(\beta)}(1 - e^{(\beta')})z_-$ . Using formula (2.13), we immediately derive the asymptotic representation of  $z_*$  from [6, Theorem 3.4].

#### 4.3. Proof of Theorem 3.4.

Note that Theorem 3.1 is valid for  $r > 1$ . From formula (2.10) and Theorem 3.1, (ii) (with  $r = 3$ ), we derive the desired expansion of  $z_+$  as  $(x, y - x)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $|\arg x - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_3$ ,  $|\arg(y - x) - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$  with  $\pi/2 - \cos^{-1}(1/3) < \delta_3 < \pi/2$ . Taking  $\delta_3 = \pi/6$ , we arrive at assertion (i). Using formula (2.11) and Theorem 3.1, (iii), we can prove assertion (iii) in a similar way. Observe that  $|\arg x - \arg y| < \sin^{-1}(1/3) < \pi/6$  in  $c(D'_0(R))$ . Assertion (ii) immediately follows from this fact and the proposition below:

**PROPOSITION 4.1.** *Write  $\Delta_\delta = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{R} \mid |\arg y - \arg x| < 2\pi - \delta\}$ . Denote by  $c(\Delta_\delta)$  the connected component of  $\Delta_\delta$  including  $\Delta_\delta \cap \Delta$ . In  $c(\Delta_\delta)$  we have*

$$z_* \sim -e^{-\gamma\pi i} \Gamma(\beta + \beta' - \gamma + 1) x^{-\beta} y^{-\beta'} H(\beta, \beta', \gamma; -1/x, -1/y)$$

as  $(x, y)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ ,  $|\arg y| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ .

**PROOF.** Under the assumption  $|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ ,  $|\arg y| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ ,  $|\arg y - \arg x| < 2\pi - \delta$ , we can modify the path  $C_*(0)$  continuously in such a way that it has the following properties:

(a<sub>\*</sub>)  $C_*(0)$  lies outside the circles  $|t - x| = \delta'|x|$ ,  $|t - y| = \delta'|y|$ , where  $\delta'$  is some positive constant;

(b<sub>\*</sub>)  $C_*(0)$  consists of the circle  $t = e^{\sigma i}$  ( $-\pi + \rho \leq \sigma \leq \pi + \rho$ ) and the two half lines  $t = \tau e^{(-\pi + \rho)i}$ ,  $t = \tau e^{(\pi + \rho)i}$  ( $\tau \geq 1$ ), where  $\rho$  is some real constant depending on  $x$  and satisfying  $|\rho| < \pi/2$ .

Considering condition (2.7), we put  $t - x = e^{\pi i} x(1 - t/x)$ ,  $t - y = e^{\pi i} y(1 - t/y)$ , where  $\arg(1 - t/x) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $t/x \rightarrow 0$ ),  $\arg(1 - t/y) \rightarrow 0$  (as  $t/y \rightarrow 0$ ). By the same calculation as that of  $z_0$  (cf. the proof of Theorem 3.1), we arrive at the desired asymptotic representation of  $z_*$ .

#### 4.4. Proof of Theorem 3.5.

Since assertion (ii) is an immediate consequence of Proposition 4.1, we show the remaining ones. By the definition of  $z_*$  and [6, Corollary 2.3, (1)], we have  $z_*(x, y) = z_0(x, ye^{2\pi i})$ . Then we arrive at the following corollary of Proposition 4.1.

**COROLLARY 4.2.** *Write  $\Delta'_\delta = \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{R} \mid |\arg y - \arg x - 2\pi| < 2\pi - \delta\}$ . Denote by  $c(\Delta'_\delta)$  the connected component of  $\Delta'_\delta$  including  $\Delta'_\delta \cap \Delta$ . In  $c(\Delta'_\delta)$  we have*

$$z_0 \sim -e^{(2\beta' - \gamma)\pi i} \Gamma(\beta + \beta' - \gamma + 1) x^{-\beta} y^{-\beta'} H(\beta, \beta', \gamma; -1/x, -1/y)$$

as  $(x, y)$  tends to  $(\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ ,  $|\arg y - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ .

Assume that  $(x, y) \in c_+(r', \varepsilon) \subset c(\Delta_\delta) \cap c(\Delta'_\delta)$ . Note that  $\theta_0 < \theta < \pi - \theta_0$  ( $\theta = \arg y - \arg x$ ). Considering the triangle with vertices  $x, 0, y$ , we see that

$$\theta + \delta_0 < \arg(y - x) - \arg x < \pi - \delta_0, \quad (4.2)$$

where  $\delta_0$  is some positive constant satisfying  $0 < \delta_0 < \theta_0$ . Consider the function  $z_+$ . The inequality  $\pi/2 - \theta < \arg x < 5\pi/2 - \delta$  combined with (4.1) yields  $-3\pi/2 + \delta < -\pi/2 - \theta < \arg(e^{-\pi i} x) < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ ,  $\pi/2 + \delta_0 < \pi/2 - \theta < \arg(y - x) < 7\pi/2 - \delta$ , and  $\pi < \pi + \theta + \delta_0 < \arg(y - x) - \arg(e^{-\pi i} x) < 2\pi$ . Hence, using formula (2.10) and Corollary 4.2, and observing that  $y - x = e^{\pi i} x(1 - \eta)$ , we have the desired asymptotic expansion of  $z_+$  uniformly for  $1/r' < |\eta| < r'$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  through the sector  $\pi/2 - \theta < \arg x < 5\pi/2 - \delta$ .

Finally consider the function  $z_-$ . If  $-\pi/2 - \theta + \delta < \arg x < 3\pi/2$ , then, by (4.2) and the definition of  $\theta$ , we have  $-3\pi/2 + \delta < \arg(e^{-\pi i} y) < \arg x - \theta_0 < 3\pi/2 - \theta_0$ ,  $-3\pi/2 + \delta < \arg(e^{-\pi i}(y - x)) < 3\pi/2 - \delta_0$ , and  $\delta_0 < \arg(e^{-\pi i}(y - x)) - \arg(e^{-\pi i} y) < \pi - \theta - \delta_0 < \pi$ . Therefore, by Proposition 4.1 combined with (2.15), we obtain the asymptotic expansion in assertion (iii) uniformly for  $1/r' < |\eta| < r'$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  through the sector  $-\pi/2 - \theta + \delta < \arg x < 3\pi/2$ , which completes the proof of the theorem.

#### 4.5. Proofs of Theorems 3.6 and 3.7.

Note that, under the assumption of Theorem 3.6,  $\pi + \delta_0 < \arg(y - x) - \arg x < 2\pi - \theta' - \delta_0$ , and that, under that of Theorem 3.7,  $\pi - \theta'' + \delta'_0 < \arg(y - x) - \arg x < \pi + \theta'' - \delta'_0$ , where  $\delta_0$  and  $\delta'_0$  are some positive constants. Using these inequalities, we have the asymptotic expressions of  $z_+$ ,  $e^{(-\beta')} z_0$ ,  $z_-$ ,  $z_*$  in the same way as in the proof of Theorem 3.5.

### 5. Stokes multipliers.

#### 5.1. Stokes multipliers in $c(D_1(r))$ .

To indicate a sector in  $c(D_1(r))$  we use the notation

$$S_1(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \{(x, y) \in c(D_1(r)) \mid |\arg x - \theta_1| < \pi - \delta_r, |\arg y - \theta_2| < \pi - \delta\}.$$

Consider the linearly independent solutions  $z_+, z_0$  and  $z_-$  on  $c(D_1(r))$ . By Theorem 3.1 we have

$$z_+ \sim Z_+(x, y), \quad z_0 \sim Z_0(x, y), \quad z_- \sim Z_-(x, y), \quad (5.1)$$

as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $S_1(\pi/2, 3\pi/2)$ , where  $Z_+(x, y)$ ,  $Z_0(x, y)$  and  $Z_-(x, y)$  denote the asymptotic expansions in the right-hand members of (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3), respectively. For a given sector  $S$  ( $\subset c(D_1(r))$ ), assume that linearly independent solutions  $z_+^S, z_0^S, z_-^S$  satisfy

$$z_+^S \sim Z_+(x, y), \quad z_0^S \sim Z_0(x, y), \quad z_-^S \sim Z_-(x, y), \quad (5.2)$$

as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $S$ . There exists a matrix  $C_S \in GL(3, \mathbb{C})$  such that

$${}^t(z_+, z_0, z_-) = C_S {}^t(z_+^S, z_0^S, z_-^S). \quad (5.3)$$

(The notation  ${}^t v$  denotes the transposed vector of  $v$ .) Then we call  $C_S$  the *Stokes multiplier* (for the sector  $S$ ) with respect to  $(z_+, z_0, z_-)$ . From (5.2) and (5.3) we obtain the asymptotic representation

$${}^t(z_+, z_0, z_-) \sim C_S {}^t(Z_+(x, y), Z_0(x, y), Z_-(x, y))$$

as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (\infty, \infty)$  through the sector  $S$ . In the other domains treated afterward, the Stokes multipliers are similarly defined.

**THEOREM 5.1.** *In the domain  $c(D_1(r))$ , we have the Stokes multipliers with respect to  $(z_+, z_0, z_-)$  listed below:*

$$(a) \quad S_1(\pi/2, \pi/2)$$

$$C_{11}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(b) \quad S_1(\pi/2, 3\pi/2)$$

$$C_{12}^{(1)} = I,$$

$$(c) \quad S_1(3\pi/2, \pi/2)$$

$$C_{21}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 - e^{(-\beta)} & 1 & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 1 - e^{(-\beta)} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(d) \quad S_1(3\pi/2, 3\pi/2)$$

$$C_{22}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 - e^{(-\beta)} & 1 & 0 \\ 1 - e^{(-\beta)} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $I$  denote the identity matrix.

## 5.2. Stokes multipliers in $c(D_2(r))$ .

In the domain  $c(D_2(r))$ , we write

$$S_2(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \{(x, y) \in c(D_2(r)) \mid |\arg x - \theta_1| < \pi - \delta, |\arg y - \theta_2| < \pi - \delta_r\}.$$

**THEOREM 5.2.** *In the domain  $c(D_2(r))$ , we have the Stokes multipliers with respect to  $(z_+, z_0, z_-)$  listed below:*

$$(a) \quad S_2(\pi/2, \pi/2)$$

$$C_{11}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(b) \quad S_2(\pi/2, 3\pi/2)$$

$$C_{12}^{(2)} = I,$$

$$(c) \quad S_2(3\pi/2, \pi/2)$$

$$C_{21}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 1 - e^{(-\beta)} & 1 & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(d) \quad S_2(3\pi/2, 3\pi/2)$$

$$C_{22}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 - e^{(-\beta)} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## 5.3. Stokes multipliers in $c(D_0(R))$ .

We put

$$S_0(\theta) = \{(x, y) \in c(D_0(R)) \mid |\arg x - \theta| < \pi - \delta\},$$

in which  $\arg y$  necessarily satisfies  $|\arg y - \arg x| < \delta$ , if  $|x|$ , and hence  $|y|$ , is sufficiently large.

**THEOREM 5.3.** *In the domain  $c(D_0(R))$ , we have the Stokes multipliers with respect to  $(z_{-1}, z_1, z_*) = (z_+ - z_-, (1 - e^{(\beta)})z_+ + e^{(\beta)}(1 - e^{(\beta')})z_-, z_*)$  listed below:*

$$(a) \quad S_0(-\pi/2) \quad (b) \quad S_0(\pi/2)$$

$$C_1^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & (1 - e^{(\beta+\beta')})(1 - e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')}) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C_2^{(0)} = I.$$

#### 5.4. Stokes multipliers in $c(D'_0(R))$ .

Consider the sector

$$S'(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \{(x, y) \in c(D'_0(R)) \mid |\arg x - \theta_1| < 5\pi/6, |\arg(y - x) - \theta_2| < \pi - \delta\}.$$

**THEOREM 5.4.** *In the domain  $c(D'_0(R))$ , we have the Stokes multipliers with respect to  $(z_+, z_*, z_-)$  listed below:*

$$(a) \quad S'(-\pi/2, \pi/2) \quad (b) \quad S'(-\pi/2, 3\pi/2)$$

$$C'_{11} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 - e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')} & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')} & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C'_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 - e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')} & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(c) \quad S'(\pi/2, \pi/2) \quad (d) \quad S'(\pi/2, 3\pi/2)$$

$$C'_{21} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C'_{22} = I.$$

#### 5.5. Stokes multipliers in $c(D_*(r', \varepsilon))$ .

For each  $\eta \in K_+ \cup K_0 \cup K_-$  (see Theorems 3.5, 3.6 and 3.7), we put

$$S_*^+(\eta; f_1(\theta), f_2(\theta)) = \{(x, \eta x) \in c_+(r', \varepsilon) \mid f_1(\theta) < \arg x < f_2(\theta)\} \quad (\text{if } \eta \in K_+),$$

$$S_*^-(\eta; g_1(\theta'), g_2(\theta')) = \{(x, \eta x) \in c_-(r', \varepsilon) \mid g_1(\theta') < \arg x < g_2(\theta')\} \quad (\text{if } \eta \in K_-),$$

$$S_*^0(\eta; h_1(\theta''), h_2(\theta'')) = \{(x, \eta x) \in c_0(r', \varepsilon) \mid h_1(\theta'') < \arg x < h_2(\theta'')\} \quad (\text{if } \eta \in K_0),$$

where  $f_j(\theta), g_j(\theta')$  and  $h_j(\theta'')$  ( $j = 1, 2$ ) are linear functions of  $\theta = \arg \eta, \theta' = 2\pi - \arg \eta$  and  $\theta'' = |\pi - \arg \eta|$ , respectively.

**THEOREM 5.5.** *In the domain  $c_+(r', \varepsilon)$ , for each  $\eta \in K_+$ , we have the Stokes multipliers with respect to  $(z_+, z_*, z_-)$  listed below:*

$$(a) \quad S_*^+(\eta; -\pi/2 - \theta + \delta, \pi/2 - \delta)$$

$$C_{+,-1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & e^{(\beta')} - e^{(\gamma-\beta)} & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(b) \ S_*^+(\eta; \pi/2 - \theta, 3\pi/2 - \theta - \delta) \\ C_{+,0}^* = I,$$

$$(c) \ S_*^+(\eta; \pi/2 + \delta, 3\pi/2) \\ C_{+,1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ e^{(-\beta')} - e^{(-\beta-\beta')} & 1 & 1 - e^{(-\beta')} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**THEOREM 5.6.** *In the domain  $c_-(r', \varepsilon)$ , for each  $\eta \in K_-$ , we have the Stokes multipliers with respect to  $(z_+, z_0, z_-)$  listed below:*

$$(a) \ S_*^-(\eta; -3\pi/2 + \theta' + \delta, -\pi/2 + \theta') \\ C_{-, -1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 - e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')} & e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')} - e^{(\gamma-\beta)} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(b) \ S_*^-(\eta; -\pi/2 + \delta, \pi/2 + \theta' - \delta) \\ C_{-,0}^* = I,$$

$$(c) \ S_*^-(\eta; \pi/2, 3\pi/2 - \delta) \\ C_{-,1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)} - e^{(\beta'-\gamma)} & 1 - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)} & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**THEOREM 5.7.** *In the domain  $c_0(r', \varepsilon)$ , for each  $\eta \in K_0$ , we have the Stokes multipliers with respect to  $(z_+, z_0, z_-)$  (or  $(z_+, z_*, z_-)$ ) given by (a), (b) (or (a'), (b')):*

$$(a) \ S_*^0(\eta; -3\pi/2 + \theta'' + \delta, \pi/2 - \theta'' - \delta) \\ C_{0,-1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 - e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')} & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(b) \ S_*^0(\eta; -\pi/2 + \theta'' + \delta, 3\pi/2 - \theta'' - \delta) \\ C_{0,1}^* = I,$$

$$(a') \ S_*^0(\eta; -3\pi/2 + \theta'' + \delta, \pi/2 - \theta'' - \delta) \\ C_{*, -1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & e^{(\beta')} - e^{(\gamma-\beta)} & 1 - e^{(\beta')} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(b') \ S_*^0(\eta; -\pi/2 + \theta'' + \delta, 3\pi/2 - \theta'' - \delta) \\ C_{*,1}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 - e^{(-\beta')} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**REMARK 5.1.** For each  $\eta_0 \in K_+$ , consider the projection  $p : D(\eta_0) \rightarrow V(\eta_0)$ , where  $D(\eta_0)$  and  $V(\eta_0)$  denote domains defined by  $y/x = \eta_0$  in  $c_+(r', \varepsilon)$  and in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ ,



respectively. Then the images of the three sectors in Theorem 5.5 under  $p$  cover the full neighbourhood of  $(x, y) = (\infty, \infty)$  in  $V(\eta_0)$ . The sectors in Theorems 5.6 and 5.7 possess the same property.

**REMARK 5.2.** In the three theorems above, we can replace the sectors by ones which are independent of  $\theta = \arg \eta$ . For example, in Theorem 5.5, the asymptotic formulae in (a), (b) and (c) are valid uniformly for  $\eta \in K_+$  as  $x$  tends to  $\infty$  through  $\cup_{\eta} S_*^+(\eta; -\pi/2 - \theta_0 + \delta, \pi/2 - \delta)$ ,  $\cup_{\eta} S_*^+(\eta; \pi/2 - \theta_0, \pi/2 + \theta_0 - \delta)$  and  $\cup_{\eta} S_*^+(\eta; \pi/2 + \delta, 3\pi/2)$ , respectively, where the union is over all  $\eta \in K_+$ .

## 6. Proofs of the theorems in Section 5.

### 6.1. Proofs of Theorems 5.1 and 5.2.

Recall the monodromy matrices

$$\begin{aligned} M_0 &= \begin{pmatrix} e^{(-\beta')} & 0 & 1 - e^{(-\beta')} \\ -(1 - e^{(-\beta)})(1 - e^{(-\beta')}) & 1 & (1 - e^{(-\beta)})(1 - e^{(-\beta')}) \\ e^{(-\beta')}(1 - e^{(-\beta)}) & 0 & 1 - e^{(-\beta')} + e^{(-\beta-\beta')} \end{pmatrix}, \\ M_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)} & 1 - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)} & 0 \\ e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)} - e^{(\beta'-\gamma)} & 1 - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)} + e^{(\beta'-\gamma)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ M_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{(-\beta')} & 1 - e^{(-\beta')} \\ 0 & e^{(-\beta')} - e^{(\beta-\gamma)} & 1 - e^{(-\beta')} + e^{(\beta-\gamma)} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(cf. [6, Proposition 2.1]). To prove Theorem 5.1, it is sufficient to show assertions (a), (c) and (d). We prepare the following lemma, which is easily obtained from [6, Corollary 2.3, (1)] and the monodromy matrices above.

**LEMMA 6.1.** *In the domain  $c(D_1(r))$ , we have*

$$z_0(xe^{-2\pi i}, y) = (1 - e^{(\beta)})z_+(x, y) + e^{(\beta)}z_0(x, y), \quad (6.1)$$

$$z_-(xe^{-2\pi i}, y) = (1 - e^{(\beta)})z_+(x, y) + e^{(\beta)}z_-(x, y), \quad (6.2)$$

$$z_0(x, ye^{2\pi i}) = e^{(-\beta')}z_0(x, y) + (1 - e^{(-\beta')})z_-(x, y). \quad (6.3)$$

In  $S_1(\pi/2, \pi/2)$ , the asymptotic relations  $z_+(x, y) \sim Z_+(x, y)$  and  $z_-(x, y) \sim Z_-(x, y)$  immediately follow from Theorem 3.1, (i), (iii). Observing that  $|\arg x| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ ,  $|\arg(ye^{2\pi i}) - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$  in  $S_1(\pi/2, \pi/2)$ , and using Theorem 3.1, (ii), we have  $z_0(x, ye^{2\pi i}) \sim Z_0(x, ye^{2\pi i}) = e^{(-\beta')}Z_0(x, y)$ . Substitution of this into (6.3) yields

$$z_0(x, y) + (e^{(\beta')} - 1)z_-(x, y) \sim Z_0(x, y).$$

Thus we have obtained a column vector of solutions

$${}^t(z_+^{11}(x, y), z_0^{11}(x, y), z_-^{11}(x, y)) = T_{11} {}^t(z_+(x, y), z_0(x, y), z_-(x, y))$$

satisfying  $z_+^{11}(x, y) \sim Z_+(x, y)$ ,  $z_0^{11}(x, y) \sim Z_0(x, y)$ ,  $z_-^{11}(x, y) \sim Z_-(x, y)$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (\infty, \infty)$  through  $S_1(\pi/2, \pi/2)$ , where

$$T_{11} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & e^{(\beta')} - 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence the Stokes multiplier  $C_{11}^{(1)} = T_{11}^{-1}$  immediately follows.

Since  $|\arg(xe^{-2\pi i})| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ ,  $|\arg y - 3\pi/2| < \pi - \delta$  in  $S_1(3\pi/2, 3\pi/2)$ , Theorem 3.1 yields  $z_0(xe^{-2\pi i}, y) \sim e^{(\beta)} Z_0(x, y)$  and  $z_-(xe^{-2\pi i}, y) \sim e^{(\beta)} Z_-(x, y)$ . Using these relations together with (6.1) and (6.2), we derive the Stokes multiplier  $C_{22}^{(1)}$  by the same argument as above.

Suppose that  $(x, y) \in S_1(3\pi/2, \pi/2)$ . Since  $|\arg(xe^{-2\pi i})| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ ,  $|\arg(ye^{2\pi i}) - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ , we have  $z_0(xe^{-2\pi i}, ye^{2\pi i}) \sim Z_0(xe^{-2\pi i}, ye^{2\pi i}) = e^{(\beta-\beta')} Z_0(x, y)$ . On the other hand, from Lemma 6.1, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} z_0(xe^{-2\pi i}, ye^{2\pi i}) &= e^{(-\beta')} z_0(xe^{-2\pi i}, y) + (1 - e^{(-\beta')}) z_-(xe^{-2\pi i}, y) \\ &= (1 - e^{(\beta)}) z_+(x, y) + e^{(\beta-\beta')} z_0(x, y) + (e^{(\beta)} - e^{(\beta-\beta')}) z_-(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$(e^{(\beta'-\beta)} - e^{(\beta')}) z_+(x, y) + z_0(x, y) + (e^{(\beta')} - 1) z_-(x, y) \sim Z_0(x, y). \quad (6.4)$$

Observing that  $|\arg(xe^{-2\pi i})| < 3\pi/2 - \delta_r$ ,  $|\arg y - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ , and using (6.2), we have

$$(e^{(-\beta)} - 1) z_+(x, y) + z_-(x, y) = e^{(-\beta)} z_-(xe^{-2\pi i}, y) \sim Z_-(x, y). \quad (6.5)$$

Adding a trivial relation  $z_+(x, y) \sim Z_+(x, y)$  to (6.4) and (6.5), we arrive at linearly independent solutions  $z_+^{21}(x, y) \sim Z_+(x, y)$ ,  $z_0^{21}(x, y) \sim Z_0(x, y)$ ,  $z_-^{21}(x, y) \sim Z_-(x, y)$  as  $(x, y) \rightarrow (\infty, \infty)$  through  $S_1(3\pi/2, \pi/2)$  given by

$${}^t(z_+^{21}(x, y), z_0^{21}(x, y), z_-^{21}(x, y)) = T_{21} {}^t(z_+(x, y), z_0(x, y), z_-(x, y))$$

with

$$T_{21} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ e^{(\beta'-\beta)} - e^{(\beta')} & 1 & e^{(\beta')} - 1 \\ e^{(-\beta)} - 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This gives the Stokes multiplier  $C_{21}^{(1)} = T_{21}^{-1}$ , and the proof of Theorem 5.1 is completed.

Theorem 5.2 can be verified in a similar way.

## 6.2. Proof of Theorem 5.3.

Recall the fundamental group  $\pi_1(D)$  generated by the loops  $c_0, c_1$  and  $c_2$ , where  $D = \mathbb{C}^2 - (\{X = 0\} \cup \{Y = 0\} \cup \{X - Y = 0\})$  (see [6, §2]). They satisfy the relation  $c_0 c_1 c_2 = c_1 c_2 c_0 = c_2 c_0 c_1$ . Let  $E_0 (\subset \mathbb{C}^2)$  be a domain defined by  $0 < |Y - X| < (1/3)|x|$ ,  $|X| > M$ ,  $|Y| > M$ . Then  $\pi_1(E_0)$  is generated by  $c_0$  and  $c_1 c_2$ . In

$c(D_0(R)) \cup c(D'_0(R)) (\ni (x, y))$ , which is a covering of  $E_0$ , we regard  $\mathbf{z} = {}^t(z_+, z_0, z_-)$  as a function of  $(x, y - x)$ , and write it in the form  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}(x, y - x)$ . Then we easily obtain the following proposition:

**PROPOSITION 6.2.** *In the domain  $c(D_0(R)) \cup c(D'_0(R))$ , we have*

$$[c_0]\mathbf{z}(x, y - x) = \mathbf{z}(x, (y - x)e^{2\pi i}) = M_0\mathbf{z}(x, y - x), \quad (6.6)$$

$$[c_1c_2]\mathbf{z}(x, y - x) = \mathbf{z}(xe^{2\pi i}, y - x) = M_1M_2\mathbf{z}(x, y - x), \quad (6.7)$$

where  $[c]\mathbf{z}(x, y - x)$  denotes the analytic continuation of  $\mathbf{z}(x, y - x)$  along the loop  $c$ .

Consider the convergent series expansion  $z_{-1} = T_{-1}(x, y - x)$  and the asymptotic expansions  $z_1 \sim T_1(x, y - x)$ ,  $z_* \sim T_*(x, y - x)$  given by Theorem 3.3. It is sufficient to deduce  $C_1^{(0)}$ . If we put  $\mathbf{w} = {}^t(z_1, z_*)$ , then, by (6.7), we have

$$[c_1c_2]\mathbf{w}(x, y - x) = \mathbf{w}(xe^{2\pi i}, y - x) = M'\mathbf{w}(x, y - x)$$

with

$$M' = \begin{pmatrix} e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)} & (1 - e^{(\beta+\beta')})(1 - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)}) \\ -e^{(-\gamma)} & 1 + e^{(-\gamma)} - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)} \end{pmatrix}.$$

This implies the relation

$$z_1(xe^{2\pi i}, y - x) = e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)}z_1(x, y - x) + (1 - e^{(\beta+\beta')})(1 - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)})z_*(x, y - x).$$

Since  $|\arg(xe^{2\pi i}) - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$  in  $S_0(-\pi/2)$ , we have  $z_1(xe^{2\pi i}, y - x) \sim e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)}T_1(x, y - x)$  in  $S_0(-\pi/2)$ . Hence,

$$z_1(x, y - x) - (1 - e^{(\beta+\beta')})(1 - e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')})z_*(x, y - x) \sim T_1(x, y - x).$$

From this and trivial relations  $z_{-1}(x, y - x) = T_{-1}(x, y - x)$ ,  $z_*(x, y - x) \sim T_*(x, y - x)$ , we derive the Stokes multiplier  $C_1^{(0)}$ , which completes the proof of the theorem.

### 6.3. Proof of Theorem 5.4.

We write the asymptotic expansions of Theorem 3.4 in the form  $z_+ \sim U_+(x, y - x)$ ,  $z_* \sim U_*(x, \eta)$ ,  $z_- \sim U_-(x, y - x, \eta)$ . When  $x$ , and hence  $y$ , turns round the point  $(\infty, \infty)$  along the loop  $c_1c_2$ , then  $\arg \eta$  remains invariant. Using Proposition 6.2, we have the following lemma.

**LEMMA 6.3.** *In the domain  $c(D'_0(R))$ , we have*

$$z_+(xe^{2\pi i}, y - x) = e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)}z_+(x, y - x) + (1 - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)})z_*(x, y - x), \quad (6.8)$$

$$z_-(xe^{2\pi i}, y - x) = (1 - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)})z_*(x, y - x) + e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)}z_-(x, y - x), \quad (6.9)$$

$$z_+(x, (y - x)e^{2\pi i}) = e^{(-\beta')}z_+(x, y - x) + (1 - e^{(-\beta')})z_-(x, y - x). \quad (6.10)$$

From (6.8) and (6.10), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} z_+(xe^{2\pi i}, (y-x)e^{2\pi i}) &= e^{(\beta-\gamma)}z_+(x, y-x) + (1 - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)})z_*(x, y-x) \\ &\quad + e^{(\beta-\gamma)}(e^{(\beta')} - 1)z_-(x, y-x). \end{aligned} \quad (6.11)$$

Assume that  $(x, y) \in S'(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$ . Since  $|\arg(xe^{2\pi i}) - \pi| < 4\pi/3$ ,  $|\arg((y-x)e^{2\pi i}) - 2\pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ , we obtain  $z_+(xe^{2\pi i}, (y-x)e^{2\pi i}) \sim e^{(\beta-\gamma)}U_+(x, y-x)$ . Substitution of this into (6.11) yields

$$\begin{aligned} z_+(x, y-x) + (e^{(\gamma-\beta)} - e^{(\beta')})z_*(x, y-x) + (e^{(\beta')} - 1)z_-(x, y-x) \\ \sim U_+(x, y-x). \end{aligned} \quad (6.12)$$

Since  $|\arg(xe^{2\pi i}) - \pi| < 4\pi/3$ ,  $|\arg(y-x) - \pi| < 3\pi/2 - \delta$ , from (6.9), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')} - 1)z_*(x, y-x) + z_-(x, y-x) \\ \sim e^{(\gamma-\beta-\beta')}U_-(xe^{2\pi i}, y-x, \eta) = U_-(x, y-x, \eta). \end{aligned} \quad (6.13)$$

From (6.12), (6.13) and a relation  $z_*(x, y-x) \sim U_*(x, \eta)$ , we derive the Stokes multiplier  $C'_{11}$ . Other assertions are verified by analogous arguments.

#### 6.4. Proofs of Theorems 5.5, 5.6 and 5.7.

Let  $E_*$  ( $\subset \mathbb{C}^2$ ) be a domain defined by  $1/r' < |Y/X| < r'$ ,  $|Y-X| > (1/3 - \varepsilon)|X|$ . Then  $\pi_1(E_*)$  is a free group generated by  $c_0c_1c_2$ . In  $c(D_*(r', \varepsilon))$ , we regard  $\mathbf{z} = {}^t(z_+, z_0, z_-)$  and  $\mathbf{u} = {}^t(z_+, z_*, z_-)$  as functions of  $(x, \eta)$ , and write them in the form  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}(x, \eta)$  and  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}(x, \eta)$ .

**PROPOSITION 6.4.** *In the domain  $c(D_*(r', \varepsilon))$ , we have*

$$[c_0c_1c_2]\mathbf{z}(x, \eta) = \mathbf{z}(xe^{2\pi i}, \eta) = M_0M_1M_2\mathbf{z}(x, \eta), \quad (6.14)$$

$$[c_0c_1c_2]\mathbf{u}(x, \eta) = \mathbf{u}(xe^{2\pi i}, \eta) = QM_0M_1M_2Q^{-1}\mathbf{u}(x, \eta), \quad (6.15)$$

where

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{(-\beta')} & 1 - e^{(-\beta')} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

To prove Theorem 5.5, it is sufficient to show assertions (a) and (c). From (6.15) we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} z_+(xe^{2\pi i}, \eta) &= e^{(\beta-\gamma)}z_+(x, \eta) + (1 - e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)})z_*(x, \eta) \\ &\quad + (e^{(\beta+\beta'-\gamma)} - e^{(\beta-\gamma)})z_-(x, \eta). \end{aligned} \quad (6.16)$$

We write the asymptotic expansions given by Theorem 3.5 as  $z_+ \sim W_+(x, \eta)$ ,  $z_* \sim W_*(x, \eta)$ ,  $z_- \sim W_-(x, \eta)$ . Assume that  $(x, x\eta) \in S_*^+(\eta; -\pi/2 - \theta + \delta, \pi/2 - \delta)$ .

Observing that  $3\pi/2 - \theta + \delta < \arg(xe^{2\pi i}) < 5\pi/2 - \delta$ , and using (6.16), we have

$$\begin{aligned} z_+(x, \eta) + (e^{(\gamma-\beta)} - e^{(\beta')})z_*(x, \eta) + (e^{(\beta')} - 1)z_-(x, \eta) \\ \sim e^{(\gamma-\beta)}W_+(xe^{2\pi i}, \eta) = W_+(x, \eta). \end{aligned}$$

Combining this with  $z_*(x, \eta) \sim W_*(x, \eta)$ ,  $z_-(x, \eta) \sim W_-(x, \eta)$ , we derive the Stokes multiplier  $C_{+,-1}^*$ . Relation (6.15) implies  $u(xe^{-2\pi i}, \eta) = QM_2^{-1}M_1^{-1}M_0^{-1}Q^{-1}u(x, \eta)$ , from which it follows that

$$z_*(xe^{-2\pi i}, \eta) = (1 - e^{(\beta)})z_+(x, \eta) + e^{(\beta+\beta')}z_*(x, \eta) + (e^{(\beta)} - e^{(\beta+\beta')})z_-(x, \eta). \quad (6.17)$$

The matrix  $C_{+,-1}^*$  can also be obtained from (6.17) in a similar way. Thus Theorem 5.5 is proved.

The asymptotic formula of  $z_0$  in Theorem 3.6 is written in the form  $z_0 \sim W_0(x, \eta) = e^{(\beta')}W_*(x, \eta)$ . From (6.14) we obtain

$$z_+(xe^{2\pi i}, \eta) = e^{(\beta-\gamma)}z_+(x, \eta) + (e^{(-\beta')} - e^{(\beta-\gamma)})z_0(x, \eta) + (1 - e^{(-\beta')})z_-(x, \eta), \quad (6.18)$$

and

$$z_-(xe^{-2\pi i}, \eta) = (1 - e^{(\beta)})z_+(x, \eta) + (e^{(\beta)} - e^{(\gamma-\beta')})z_0(x, \eta) + e^{(\gamma-\beta')}z_-(x, \eta). \quad (6.19)$$

By virtue of Theorem 3.6 combined with the use of them, we can prove Theorem 5.6 in a similar way.

Using (6.16) and Theorem 3.7, we easily obtain the matrices  $C_{*,-1}^*$ ,  $C_{0,1}^*$  of Theorem 5.7. The matrices  $C_{0,-1}^*$ ,  $C_{*,1}^*$  immediately follow from them by virtue of relation (2.8).

## 7. Asymptotic behaviour of $\Phi_2$ .

By [6, Proposition 2.4], the function  $\Phi_2$  given by (1.1) is expressible in the form

$$\Phi_2(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = \mathbf{a}^t(z_+, z_0, z_-)$$

with  $\mathbf{a} = (2\pi i)^{-1}\Gamma(\gamma)(1 - e^{(\beta)}, e^{(\beta)} - e^{(\gamma-\beta')}, e^{(\gamma-\beta')} - e^{(\gamma)})$ . By (2.8) it is also written in the form

$$\Phi_2(\beta, \beta', \gamma, x, y) = \mathbf{a}_*^t(z_+, z_*, z_-) = \mathbf{b}^t(z_{-1}, z_1, z_*)$$

with  $\mathbf{a}_* = (2\pi i)^{-1}\Gamma(\gamma)(1 - e^{(\beta)}, e^{(\beta+\beta')} - e^{(\gamma)}, e^{(\beta)} - e^{(\beta+\beta')})$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = (2\pi i)^{-1}\Gamma(\gamma)(0, 1, e^{(\beta+\beta')} - e^{(\gamma)})$  (for  $z_{-1}, z_1$  see Theorem 5.3). Using these formulae, we can derive an asymptotic expansion of  $\Phi_2$  in each sector. Recall the notation  $Z_+(x, y)$ ,  $Z_0(x, y)$ ,  $Z_-(x, y)$  and  $S_1(\theta_1, \theta_2)$  defined in Section 5.1. For example, in the domain  $c(D_1(r))$ , by

Theorem 5.1, we have

$$\Phi_2 \sim c_{11}^{(1)'}(Z_+(x, y), Z_0(x, y), Z_-(x, y)) \quad \text{in } S_1(\pi/2, \pi/2),$$

$$\Phi_2 \sim c_{12}^{(1)'}(Z_+(x, y), Z_0(x, y), Z_-(x, y)) \quad \text{in } S_1(\pi/2, 3\pi/2),$$

$$\Phi_2 \sim c_{21}^{(1)'}(Z_+(x, y), Z_0(x, y), Z_-(x, y)) \quad \text{in } S_1(3\pi/2, \pi/2),$$

$$\Phi_2 \sim c_{22}^{(1)'}(Z_+(x, y), Z_0(x, y), Z_-(x, y)) \quad \text{in } S_1(3\pi/2, 3\pi/2),$$

where the vector multipliers  $c_{pq}^{(1)}$  ( $p, q = 1, 2$ ) are given by  $aC_{pq}^{(1)}$ .

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