

Computing the Macdonald function for complex orders

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$K_{i\beta}$ and $K_{1/2+i\beta}$ are the **kernels** in the ordinary and modified **Kontorovich–Lebedev integral transform**

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n-point **Gauss formula** for $n \leq N$

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load -ascii ab;  
xw=gauss(n,ab);
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for 9-digit accuracy, Gauss quadrature with $n = 30$ suffices
difficulty: for much smaller x , steep boundary layer phenomena develop in $f(u; \alpha, \beta, x), g(u; \alpha, \beta, x)$

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looks very much like before with ξ replacing x . Since $x = 1$ was OK before, $\xi = 1$ should be OK now. This determines $c = \ln(1/x)$.

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$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{Re} K_{\alpha+i\beta}(x) &= c \int_0^1 e^{-x \cosh(\tau c)} \cosh(\alpha c \tau) \cos(\beta c \tau) d\tau \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} (2/x)^\alpha e^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^\infty e^{-e^u} \varphi(u; \alpha, \beta, x) du, \\ \operatorname{Im} K_{\alpha+i\beta}(x) &= c \int_0^1 e^{-x \cosh(\tau c)} \sinh(\alpha c \tau) \sin(\beta c \tau) d\tau \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} (2/x)^\alpha e^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^\infty e^{-e^u} \psi(u; \alpha, \beta, x) du,\end{aligned}$$

n_1 -point Gauss-Legendre resp. n_2 -point Gauss
for $.01 \leq x \leq 1$ and 9-digit accuracy, $n_1 = 30$ and
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The function $K_\nu(x)$ for $x \leq .01$

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combine power series expansions for $I_{\pm\nu}$ with reflection formula for the gamma function

$$\Gamma(\nu)\Gamma(1 - \nu) = \frac{\pi}{\sin \nu \pi}$$

three-term approximation

$$\begin{aligned} K_\nu(x) &\approx \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{-\nu} \Gamma(\nu) \left[1 + \frac{x^2}{4(1-\nu)} + \frac{x^4}{32(1-\nu)(2-\nu)} \right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^\nu \Gamma(-\nu) \left[1 + \frac{x^2}{4(1+\nu)} + \frac{x^4}{32(1+\nu)(2+\nu)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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Matlab

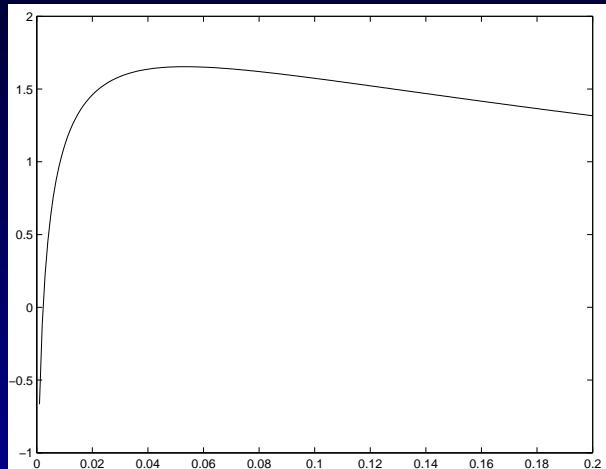
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Example

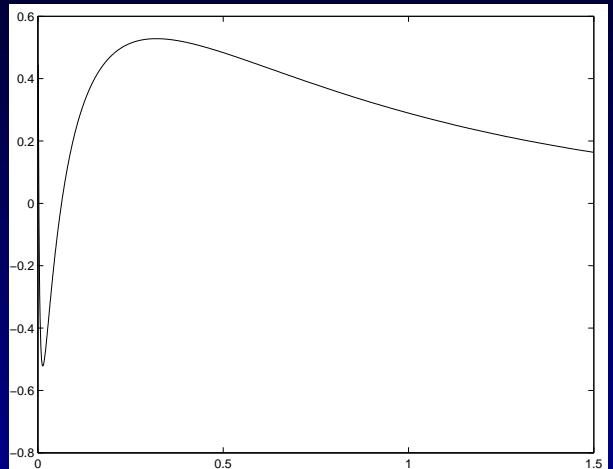
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>> K=mfun( 'BesselK' , 15*i , 2 )
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    3.697490757619081e-11
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Plots of $K_{i\beta}$

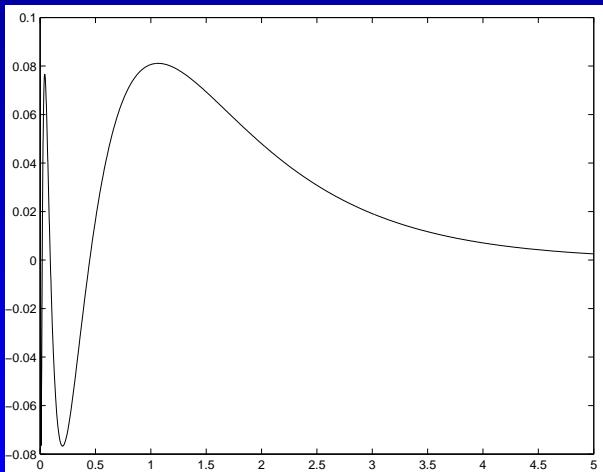
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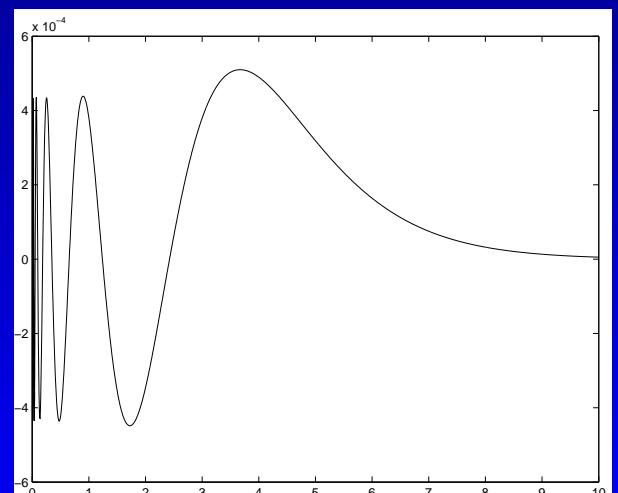
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$$\beta = 2$$



$$\beta = 5$$

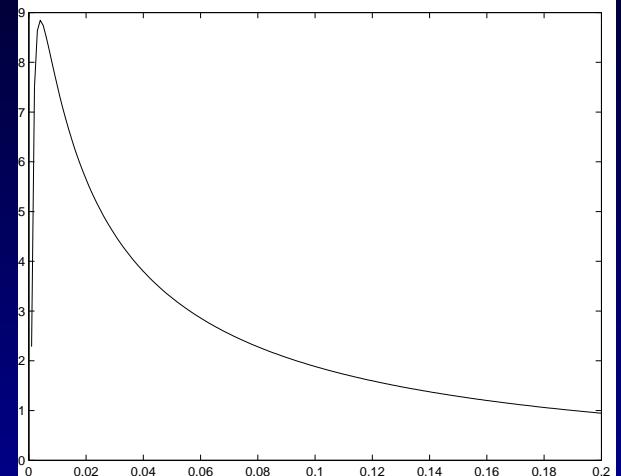
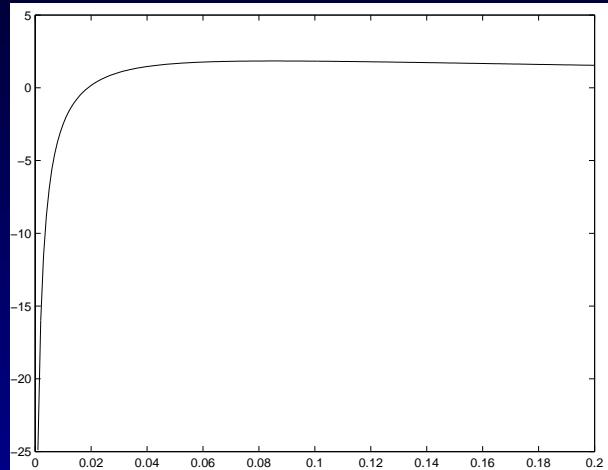


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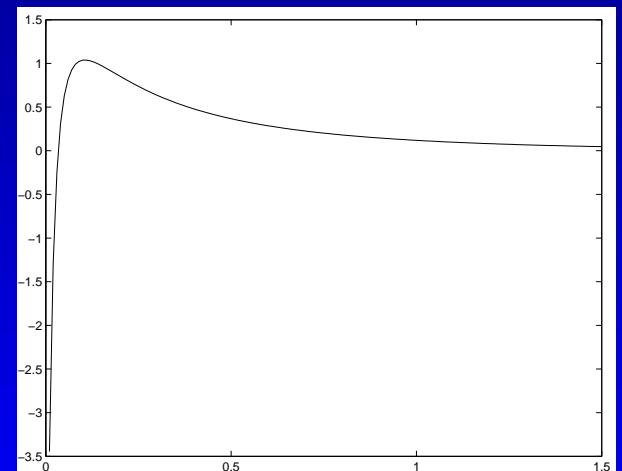
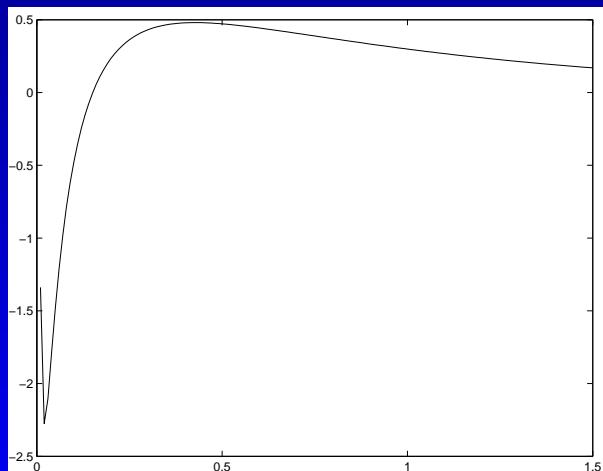
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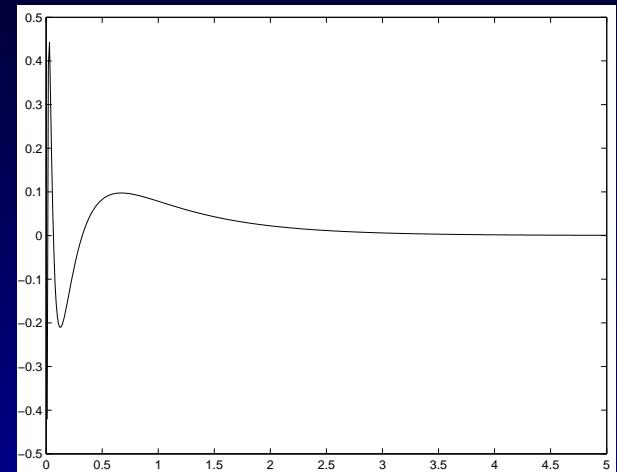
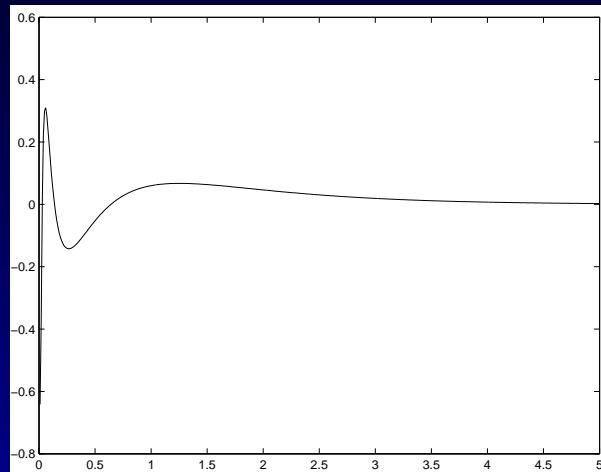


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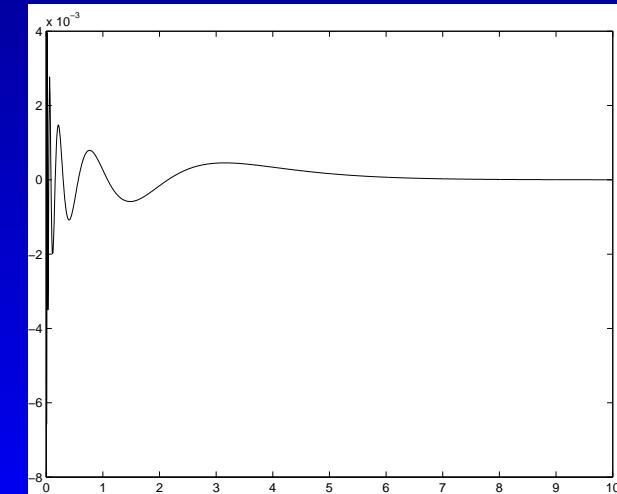
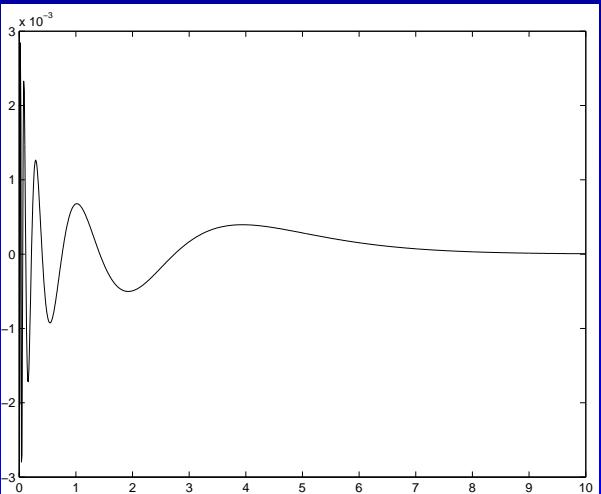
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note

$$\gamma := \arg \Gamma(1 + i\beta) = \operatorname{Im} [\ln \Gamma(1 + i\beta)]$$

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Gauss–Laguerre on

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computing the KL transform (cont')

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Gauss–Legendre on first, and Gauss–Laguerre on second integral,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^2 f(x) \sin(\beta \ln(2/x) + \gamma) dx \\ &= 2 \int_0^\infty f(2e^{-t}) \sin(\beta t + \gamma) e^{-t} dt \end{aligned}$$

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symb/vpa-Chebyshev algorithm

⇒ orthogonal polynomials ⇒ Gauss formula