

***Solution to an Integral of a Hypergeometric Function  
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$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^\infty e^{-x} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}; \frac{1}{4}; e^{-x}\right) dx &= \int_0^\infty \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_k}{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)_k} \frac{1}{k!} e^{-(k+1)x} dx \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_k}{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)_k k!} \int_0^\infty e^{-(k+1)x} dx \\
 &= \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_k}{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)_k (k+1)!} \\
 &= \sum_{k=-1}^\infty \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_k \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_k}{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)_k (k+1)!} - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)_{-1} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)_{-1}}{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)_{-1}} \\
 &= \frac{-\frac{3}{4}}{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)} \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)_k \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)_k}{\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)_k k!} - \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)} \\
 &= -\frac{9}{4} \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)_k \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)_k}{\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)_k k!} - \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{-9}{4\beta\left(-\frac{1}{12}, \frac{-2}{3}\right)} \int_0^1 \frac{t^{-\frac{5}{3}} (1-t)^{-\frac{13}{12}}}{(1-t)^{-\frac{1}{2}}} dt - \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)}{\Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)} \cdot \frac{-\frac{3}{4} \Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)}{-\frac{1}{2} \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot -\frac{2}{3} \Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{9\Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)}{4\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{12}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)} \int_0^1 t^{-\frac{5}{3}} (1-t)^{-\frac{7}{12}} dt \\
 &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{9\Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)}{4\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{12}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)} \int_0^1 t^{-\frac{2}{3}-1} (1-t)^{\frac{5}{12}-1} dt \\
 &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{9\Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)}{4\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{12}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)} \cdot \beta\left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{12}\right) \\
 &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{9\Gamma\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)}{4\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{12}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{12}\right)}{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{9}{4} \cdot \frac{-\frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{1} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{12}\right)}{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{12}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{9}{4} + \frac{12 \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{12}\right)}{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{12}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

By the Multiplication theorem

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{12}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{13}{12}\right) = 2\pi \cdot 3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{5}{12}\right)}{\Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{12}\right)} &= \frac{2\pi \cdot 3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{13}{12}\right) \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{12}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{2\pi \cdot 3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \cdot \frac{\pi}{\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{12}\right)}} \\
 &= \frac{2\pi \cdot 3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}{\pi^2 \sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1 - \sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{2}} \\
 &= \frac{3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \cdot 4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \cdot (1 - \sqrt{3})}{2\pi} \\
 &= \frac{2 \cdot 3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) (1 - \sqrt{3})}{\pi} \\
 &= \frac{2 \cdot 3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^2 (1 - \sqrt{3})}{\pi} \\
 &= \frac{2 \cdot 3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^2 (1 - \sqrt{3})}{\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \int_0^\infty e^{-x} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}; \frac{1}{4}; e^{-x}\right) dx &= \frac{9}{4} + \frac{12 \cdot 2 \cdot 3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^3 (1 - \sqrt{3})}{\pi \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{4 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3^{-\frac{3}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^3 (-1 + \sqrt{3})}{\pi \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{8 \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^3 (-1 + \sqrt{3})}{\pi \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{8\sqrt[4]{3} (\sqrt{3} - 1) \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^3}{\pi \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)} \\
 \therefore \int_0^\infty e^{-x} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}; \frac{1}{4}; e^{-x}\right) dx &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{8\sqrt[4]{3} (\sqrt{3} - 1) \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^3}{\pi \Gamma\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)}
 \end{aligned}$$