

SOME CONTOUR INTEGRALS INVOLVING GENERALIZED  
 LEGENDRE FUNCTIONS AND THE  $H$ -FUNCTION

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1. Introduction

The object of the present paper is to evaluate some contour integrals involving products of generalized Legendre functions and the  $H$ -function. In these results, integration is performed with respect to the parameters of generalized Legendre functions. Generalized Legendre functions reduce to associated Legendre functions on setting  $m=n$  and to Legendre functions on taking  $m=n=0$ . Also on specializing the parameters of the  $H$ -function, which is a very general function, we get various other known functions. Thus, on specializing the parameters of these functions, we may get many interesting relations.

The  $H$ -function was introduced by Fox [3, p. 408] and its conditions of validity, asymptotic expansions and analytic continuations have been discussed by Braaksma [1]. Following the definition given by Braaksma [1, pp. 239—241], it will be represented as follows:

$$(1.1) \quad H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left\{ \begin{matrix} (a_r, \alpha_r) \\ (b_s, \beta_s) \end{matrix} \right\} \right] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\prod_{j=1}^l \Gamma(b_j - \beta_j \xi) \prod_{j=1}^u \Gamma(1 - a_j + \alpha_j \xi) z^\xi}{\prod_{j=l+1}^s \Gamma(1 - b_j + j) \prod_{j=u+1}^r \Gamma(a_j - \alpha_j \xi)} d\xi,$$

where  $\{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}$ , stands for the set of parameters  $(a_1, \alpha_1), \dots, (a_r, \alpha_r)$ .

Generalized Legendre functions  $P_k^{m,n}(z)$  and  $Q_k^{m,n}(z)$ , two specified linearly independent solutions of the differential equation:

$$(1.2) \quad (1-z^2) \frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} - 2z \frac{dw}{dz} + \left\{ k(k+1) - \frac{m^2}{2(1-z)} - \frac{n^2}{2(1+z)} \right\} w = 0,$$

have been introduced by Kuipers and Meulenbeld [4] as functions of  $z$  for all points of the  $z$ -plane, in which a cross-cut exists along the real  $x$ -axis from 1 to  $-\infty$ . On the segment  $-1 < x < 1$  of the cross-cut these functions are defined in [5, (1) and (2)].

One of the theorems of Braaksma-Meulenbeld [2] is:

Let  $n_1$  be a real number with  $n_1 < \min \{ \text{Re} (2k+2-m), \text{Re} (-2k-m) \}$ , and  $\phi(t)$  a function such that for all  $a$ ,  $-1 < a < 1$ :

$$\phi(t) (1+t)^{-\frac{1}{4}-\frac{1}{2}|\text{Re } m|} \in L(-1, a) \quad \text{if } \text{Re } m \neq 0,$$

$$\phi(t) (1+t)^{-\frac{1}{4}} \log(1+t) \in L(-1, a) \quad \text{if } \text{Re } m = 0,$$

$$\phi(t) (1-t)^{-1-\frac{1}{2}n_1} \in L(a, 1).$$

Let further  $\phi(t)$  be of bounded variation in a neighbourhood of  $t=x$  ( $-1 < x < 1$ ). Then  $\phi(t)$  satisfies the relations:

$$(1.3) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{n_1-i\infty}^{n_1+i\infty} dn \, n \Gamma(\beta+1) \Gamma(-\alpha) P_k^{m,n}(-x) \int_{-1}^1 \phi(t) P_k^{m,n}(t) \frac{dt}{1-t} \\ = - \{ \phi(x-0) + \phi(x+0) \},$$

and

$$(1.4) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{n_1-i\infty}^{n_1+i\infty} dn \, n \Gamma(\beta+1) \Gamma(-\alpha) P_k^{n,m}(x) \int_{-1}^1 \phi(t) P_k^{m,n}(-t) \frac{dt}{1-t} \\ = - \{ \phi(x-0) + \phi(x+0) \},$$

where  $\alpha = k + \frac{1}{2}(m+n)$  and  $\beta = k - \frac{1}{2}(m+n)$ .

In what follows, for the sake of brevity

$$\sum_1^s (\beta_j) - \sum_1^k (\alpha_j) \equiv A, \quad \sum_1^l (\beta_j) - \sum_{l+1}^s (\beta_j) + \sum_1^u (\alpha_j) - \sum_{u+1}^k (\alpha_j) \equiv B.$$

2. In this section, we establish an integral which is required in the development of the present work.

$$\text{If } \delta > 0, A \geq 0, B > 0, |\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi,$$

$\text{Re} (p - \frac{1}{2}n + \delta b_j / \beta_j) > -1$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ) and

$\text{Re} (k - p + \delta(1 - a_i) / \alpha_i) > \frac{1}{2}|\text{Re } m|$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ ), then we have:

$$(2.1) \quad \int_{-1}^1 (1-t)^p (1+t)^{k-p-1} P_k^{n,m}(t) H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{1-t}{1+t} \right)^\delta \left| \begin{array}{c} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right] dt \\ = 2^{k+\frac{1}{2}(m-n)} \left[ \Gamma \left( k + \frac{1}{2}(m-n) + 1 \right) \Gamma \left( k - \frac{1}{2}(m+n) + 1 \right) \right]^{-1} \times$$

$$\times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+2, u+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{array}{l} \left( \frac{1}{2}n-p, \delta \right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}, \left( -p-\frac{1}{2}n, \delta \right) \\ \left( k-p+\frac{1}{2}m, \delta \right), \left( k-p-\frac{1}{2}m, \delta \right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right].$$

PROOF. To obtain the integral (2.1), expressing the  $H$  function as Mellin-Barnes type of integral (1.1) and interchanging the order of integration, which is justifiable due to the absolute convergence of the integrals involved in the process, we get

$$(2.2) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_T \frac{\prod_{j=1}^l \Gamma(b_j - \beta_j \xi) \prod_{j=1}^u \Gamma(1 - a_j + \alpha_j \xi)}{\prod_{j=l+1}^s \Gamma(1 - b_j + \beta_j \xi) \prod_{j=u+1}^r \Gamma(a_j - \alpha_j \xi)} z^{\xi} \\ \times \int_{-1}^1 (1-t)^{p+\delta\xi} (1+t)^{k-p-1-\delta\xi} P_k^{n,m}(t) dt d\xi,$$

evaluating the inner integral with the help of [2, p. 277(8.2)], i.e.

$$(2.3) \quad \int_{-1}^1 (1-t)^p (1+t)^{k-p-1} P_k^{n,m}(t) dt \\ = 2^{k+\frac{1}{2}(m-n)} \frac{\Gamma\left(k-p+\frac{1}{2}m\right) \Gamma\left(k-p-\frac{1}{2}m\right) \Gamma\left(p-\frac{1}{2}n+1\right)}{\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}(m-n)+1\right) \Gamma\left(k-\frac{1}{2}(m+n)+1\right) \Gamma\left(p-\frac{1}{2}n\right)},$$

where  $\text{Re}\left(p-\frac{1}{2}n\right) > -1$  and  $\text{Re}(k-p) > \frac{1}{2}|\text{Re } m|$ ; and again applying (1.1), the definition of the  $H$ -function, we get the value of the integral.

3 (i) Let  $\delta > 0, A \geq 0, B > 0, |\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi, p$  be a complex number, and  $n_1$  a real number with

$$n_1 < \min\{2+2 \text{Re}(p+\delta b_j/\beta_j), -\text{Re}(2k+m)\} \quad (j=1, 2, \dots, l) \text{ and } \text{Re}(k-p+ \\ \delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i) > \frac{1}{4} \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, u).$$

Then for  $-1 < x < 1$ , we have:

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{n_1-i\infty}^{n_1+i\infty} z^{-\frac{1}{2}n} \frac{\Gamma\left(-k-\frac{1}{2}(m+n)\right)}{\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}(m-n)+1\right)} P_k^{m,n}(x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+2, u+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{array}{l} \left( \frac{1}{2}n-p, \delta \right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}, \left( -p-\frac{1}{2}n, \delta \right) \\ \left( k-p+\frac{1}{2}m, \delta \right), \left( k-p-\frac{1}{2}m, \delta \right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right] dn$$

$$= -2^{1-k-\frac{1}{2}m}(1+x)^{p+1}(1-x)^{k-p-1}H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right)^\delta \left| \begin{array}{c} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right].$$

PROOF. In (1.3), taking

$$\phi(t) = (1-t)^{p+1}(1+t)^{k-p-1}H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{1-t}{1+t} \right)^\delta \left| \begin{array}{c} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right],$$

and applying (2.1), we obtain (3.1).

(ii) Now in (3.1), using the relation

$$(3.2) \quad H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left| \begin{array}{c} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right] = H_{s,r}^{u,l} \left[ z^{-1} \left| \begin{array}{c} \{(1-b_s, \beta_s)\} \\ \{(1-a_r, \alpha_r)\} \end{array} \right. \right],$$

then replacing  $l, u, r, s, z^{-1}, \{(1-b_s, \beta_s)\}$  and  $\{(1-a_r, \alpha_r)\}$  respectively by  $u, l, s, r, z, \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}$  and  $\{(b_s, \beta_s)\}$ , we have

$$(3.3) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{n_1-i\infty}^{n_1+i\infty} 2^{-\frac{1}{2}n} \frac{\Gamma\left(-k-\frac{1}{2}(m+n)\right)}{\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}(m-n)+1\right)} P_k^{m,n}(x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+1, u+2} \left[ z \left| \begin{array}{c} \left(1-k+p+\frac{1}{2}m, \delta\right), \left(1-k+p+\frac{1}{2}m, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \left(1-\frac{1}{2}n+p, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\}, \left(1+p+\frac{1}{2}n, \delta\right) \end{array} \right. \right] dn \\ = -2^{1-k-\frac{1}{2}m}(1+x)^{p+1}(1-x)^{k-p-1}H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{1-x}{1+x} \right)^\delta \left| \begin{array}{c} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right]$$

where  $\delta > 0, A \geq 0, B > 0, |\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi, -1 < x < 1, n_1 < \min\{2+2\operatorname{Re}(p+\delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i), -\operatorname{Re}(2k+m)\} (i=1, 2, \dots, u)$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(k-p+\delta b_j/\beta_j) < \frac{1}{4} (j=1, 2, \dots, l)$ .

(iii) In (3.1) and (3.3), applying the relation [2, p. 239(1.1)], i.e.

$$(3.4) \quad P_k^{m,n}(x) = 2^{k+\frac{1}{2}n+1}(1+x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} P^{m, -2k-1} \left( \frac{x-3}{-x-1} \right), \quad -1 < x < 1;$$

substituting  $\frac{x-3}{-x-1}$  for  $x$  and replacing  $k$  by  $-\frac{1}{2}(n+1)$ ,  $n$  by  $(-2k-1)$  and  $n_1$  by  $-2k_1-1$ , we obtain:

$$(3.5) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) \frac{\Gamma\left(k-\frac{1}{2}(m-n)+1\right)}{\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}(m-n)+1\right)} P_k^{m,n}(x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+2, n+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{array}{c} \left(-k-p-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}, \left(k-p+\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right) \\ \left(-p+\frac{1}{2}m-\frac{1}{2}n-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \left(-p-\frac{1}{2}m-\frac{1}{2}n-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right] dk$$

$$= 2^{\rho + \frac{1}{2}(n-m) + \frac{3}{2}} (x-1)^{-\rho - \frac{1}{2}n - \frac{3}{2}} (x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}n} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ \frac{2^{\delta} z}{(x-1)^{\delta}} \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

provided  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 1$ ,

$$k_1 > \max \left\{ -\frac{3}{2} - \operatorname{Re}(p + \delta b_j / \beta_j), \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}(m-n) - 1 \right\} \quad (j=1, 2, \dots, l)$$

and  $\operatorname{Re}(n+2p-2\delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i) < -\frac{3}{2}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ ); and

$$(3.6) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) \frac{\Gamma\left(k - \frac{1}{2}(m-n) + 1\right)}{\Gamma\left(k + \frac{1}{2}(m-n) + 1\right)} P_k^{m,n}(x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+1, u+2} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}m + \frac{1}{2}n + p, \delta\right), \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2}m + \frac{1}{2}n + p, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \left(\frac{3}{2} + k + p, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\}, \left(\frac{1}{2} - k + p, \delta\right) \end{matrix} \right. \right] dk \\ = 2^{\rho + \frac{1}{2}(n-m) + \frac{3}{2}} (x-1)^{-\rho - \frac{1}{2}n - \frac{3}{2}} (x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}n} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)^{\delta} \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

where  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 1$ ,

$$k_1 > \max \left\{ -\frac{3}{2} - \operatorname{Re}(p + \delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i), \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re}(m-n) - 1 \right\} \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, u)$$

and  $\operatorname{Re}(n+2p-2\delta b_j/\beta_j) < -\frac{3}{2}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ).

(iv) Taking  $k = -\frac{1}{2}m - \frac{1}{2}$  in (3.1) and (3.3), we obtain:

$$(3.7) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{n_1-i\infty}^{n_1+i\infty} 2^{-\frac{1}{2}n} n P_{-\frac{1}{2}(m+1)}^{m,n}(x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+2, u+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} \left(\frac{1}{2}n - p, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}, \left(-p - \frac{1}{2}n, \delta\right) \\ \left(p - \frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \left(-p - m - \frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right] dn \\ = -2^{\frac{3}{2}} (1+x)^{\rho+1} (1-x)^{-\rho - \frac{1}{2}m - \frac{3}{2}} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^{\delta} \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

where  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $-1 < x < 1$ ,

$n_1 < \min \{2 + 2 \operatorname{Re}(p + \delta b_j / \beta_j), 1\}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ) and

$\operatorname{Re}(p + \frac{1}{2}m + \delta(a_i - 1)/\alpha_i) < -\frac{3}{4}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ );

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.8) \quad & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{n_1-i\infty}^{n_1+i\infty} 2^{-\frac{1}{2}n} n P^{m,n} (x) \\
 & \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+1, u+2} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} \left(\frac{3}{2}+p, \delta\right), \left(\frac{3}{2}+m+p, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \left(1-\frac{1}{2}n+p, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\}, \left(1+p+\frac{1}{2}n, \delta\right) \end{matrix} \right. \right] dn \\
 & = 2^{\frac{3}{2}}(1+x)^{p+1}(1-x)^{-p-\frac{1}{2}m-\frac{3}{2}} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{1-x}{1+x} \right)^{\delta} \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

provided  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $-1 < x < 1$ ,  $n_1 < \min \{2+2\operatorname{Re}(p+\delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i), 1\}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ ) and  $\operatorname{Re}(p+\frac{m}{2}-b_j/\beta_j) < -\frac{3}{4}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ).

(v) Putting  $n=m$  in (3.5) and (3.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.9) \quad & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) P_k^m(x) \\
 & \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+2, u+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} \left(-k-p-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}, \left(k-p+\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right) \\ \left(-p-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \left(-p-m-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right] dk \\
 & = 2^{p+\frac{3}{2}}(x-1)^{-p-\frac{1}{2}m-\frac{3}{2}}(x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}m} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ \frac{2^{\delta}z}{(x-1)^{\delta}} \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

if  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 1$ ,

$k_1 > \max\left\{-\frac{3}{2}-\operatorname{Re}(p+\delta b_j/\beta_j), -\frac{1}{2}\right\}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ) and

$\operatorname{Re}(m+2p+2\delta(a_i-1)/\alpha_i) < -\frac{3}{2}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ );

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.10) \quad & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) P_k^m(x) \\
 & \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+1, u+2} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} \left(\frac{3}{2}+p, \delta\right), \left(\frac{3}{2}+p+m, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \left(\frac{3}{2}+k+p, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\}, \left(\frac{1}{2}-k+p, \delta\right) \end{matrix} \right. \right] dk \\
 & = 2^{p+\frac{3}{2}}(x-1)^{-p-\frac{1}{2}m-\frac{3}{2}}(x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}m} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{x-1}{2} \right)^{\delta} \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 1$ ,

$k_1 > \max\left\{-\frac{3}{2}-\operatorname{Re}(p+\delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i), -\frac{1}{2}\right\}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ )

and  $\operatorname{Re}(m+2p-2\delta b_j/\beta_j) < -\frac{3}{2}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ).

(vi) By applying [2, p. 235(0.2)], i.e.

$$(3.11) \quad P_k^{m,n}(z) = \frac{(z-1)^{-\frac{1}{2}m}(z+1)^{\frac{1}{2}n}}{\Gamma(1-m)} \\ \times {}_2F_1 \left[ 1+k-\frac{1}{2}(m-n); -k-\frac{1}{2}(m-n); \frac{1-z}{2} \right],$$

in (3.5) and (3.6) and then replacing  $\frac{1}{2}(n-m)$  by  $a$ ,  $1-m$  by  $m$  and  $1-x$  by  $-2x$ , we get

$$(3.12) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) \frac{\Gamma(k+a+1)}{\Gamma(k-a+1)} {}_2F_1(-k+a, k+a+1; m; -x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+2, u+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{array}{c} \left(-k-p-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}, \left(k-p+\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right) \\ \left(-p-a-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \left(m-p-a-\frac{3}{2}, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right] dk \\ = x^{-p-a-\frac{3}{2}} \Gamma(m) H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ \frac{z}{x^\delta} \left| \begin{array}{c} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right],$$

provided  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 0$ ,

$k_1 > \max \left\{ -\frac{3}{2} - \operatorname{Re}(p+\delta b_j/\beta_j), -\operatorname{Re} a-1 \right\}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ )

and  $\operatorname{Re}(2p+2a-m+2\delta(a_i-1)/\alpha_i) < -\frac{5}{2}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ );

and

$$(3.13) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) \frac{\Gamma(k+a+1)}{\Gamma(k-a+1)} {}_2F_1(-k+a, k+a+1; m; -x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+1, u+2} \left[ z \left| \begin{array}{c} \left(\frac{3}{2}+a+p, \delta\right), \left(\frac{5}{2}+a+p-m, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \left(\frac{3}{2}+k+p, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\}, \left(\frac{1}{2}-k+p, \delta\right) \end{array} \right. \right] dk \\ = x^{-p-a-\frac{3}{2}} \Gamma(m) H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ zx^\delta \left| \begin{array}{c} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right],$$

if  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 0$ ,

$k_1 > \max \left\{ -\frac{3}{2} - \operatorname{Re}(p+\delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i), -\operatorname{Re} a-1 \right\}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ )

and  $\operatorname{Re}(2p+2a-m-2\delta b_j/\beta_j) < -\frac{5}{2}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ).

(vii) Taking  $a=0$  in (3.12) and (3.13), we obtain:

$$(3.14) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) {}_2F_1(-k, k+1; m; -x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{j+2, u+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} \left(-k-p-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}, \left(k-p+\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right) \\ \left(-p-\frac{1}{2}, \delta\right), \left(m-p-\frac{3}{2}, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right] dk \\ = x^{-p-\frac{3}{2}} \Gamma(m) H_{r, s}^{j, u} \left[ \frac{z}{x^\delta} \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

where  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 0$ ,

$k_1 > \max\left\{-\frac{3}{2} - \operatorname{Re}(p + \delta b_j / \beta_j), -1\right\}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ) and

$\operatorname{Re}(2p - m + 2\delta(a_i - 1)/\alpha_i) < -\frac{5}{2}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ );

and

$$(3.15) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) {}_2F_1(-k, k+1; -x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{j+1, u+2} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} \left(\frac{3}{2}+p, \delta\right), \left(\frac{5}{2}+p-m, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \left(\frac{3}{2}+k+p, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\}, \left(\frac{1}{2}-k+p, \delta\right) \end{matrix} \right. \right] dk \\ = x^{-p-\frac{3}{2}} \Gamma(m) H_{r, s}^{j, u} \left[ zx^\delta \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

Provided  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 0$ ,

$k_1 > \max\left\{-\frac{3}{2} - \operatorname{Re}(p + \delta(1 - a_i)/\alpha_i), -1\right\}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ ) and

$\operatorname{Re}(2p - m - 2\delta b_j / \beta_j) < -\frac{5}{2}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ).

(viii) In (3.5) and (3.6), we suppose  $m-n \neq 1, 2, \dots$  and deform the path of integration such that the points  $k = \frac{1}{2}(m-n) - g$  ( $g=1, 2, \dots$ ) and  $k = -\frac{1}{2}, 1, -1, \frac{1}{2}, -2, \dots$  are to the left, and the points  $k = -\frac{1}{2}(m-n) + h$  ( $h=0, 1, \dots$ ) and  $k = 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 1\frac{1}{2}, \dots$  are to the right of the new path  $L$  and replacing  $\delta$  by  $d$  and using [2, p.246(1.39)], viz.

$$(3.16) \quad e^{\pi i m} \left\{ Q_k^{-m, -n}(t) - Q_{-k-1}^{-m, -n}(t) \right\} \\ = 2^{m-n-1} \Gamma(\beta+1) \Gamma(\delta+1) \Gamma(-\alpha) \Gamma(-\gamma) \frac{\sin(2k\pi)}{\pi} P_k^{m, n}(t),$$



where  $\alpha = k + \frac{1}{2}(m+n)$ ;  $\beta = k - \frac{1}{2}(m-n)$ ,  $\gamma = k + \frac{1}{2}(m-n)$  and  $\delta = k - \frac{1}{2}(m+n)$ ; we get

$$(3.17) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{(2k+1)}{\sin(2k\pi)} \left[ \Gamma(\delta+1)\Gamma(-\alpha)\Gamma(-\gamma)\Gamma(\gamma+1) \right]^{-1} \\ \times \left\{ Q_{-k}^{-m, -n}(x) - Q_{-k-1}^{-m, -n}(x) \right\} \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{i+2, u+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{array}{l} \left( -k-p-\frac{1}{2}, d \right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}, \left( k-p+\frac{1}{2}, d \right) \\ \left( -p+\frac{1}{2}m-\frac{1}{2}n-\frac{1}{2}, d \right), \left( -p-\frac{1}{2}m-\frac{1}{2}n-\frac{1}{2}, d \right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right] dk \\ = 2^{p+\frac{1}{2}(m-n)+\frac{1}{2}} \pi^{-1} e^{-\pi i m} (x-1)^{-p-\frac{1}{2}n-\frac{3}{2}} (x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}n} \\ \times H_{r, s}^{l, u} \left[ \frac{2^d z}{(x-1)^d} \left| \begin{array}{l} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right],$$

where  $d > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 1$ ;  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  and  $\delta$  are as given in (3.16);  $\operatorname{Re}\left(k + \frac{3}{2} + p + db_j/\beta_j\right) > 0$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ) and  $\operatorname{Re}(n+2p+2d(a_i-1)/\alpha_i) < -\frac{3}{2}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ ); and

$$(3.18) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_L \frac{(2k+1)}{\sin(2k\pi)} \left[ \Gamma(\delta+1)\Gamma(-\alpha)\Gamma(-\gamma)\Gamma(\gamma+1) \right]^{-1} \\ \times \left\{ Q_k^{-m, -n}(x) - Q_{-k-1}^{-m, -n}(x) \right\} \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+1, u+2} \left[ z \left| \begin{array}{l} \left( \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}m + \frac{1}{2}n + p, d \right), \left( \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2}m + \frac{1}{2}n + p, d \right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \left( \frac{3}{2} + k + p, d \right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\}, \left( \frac{1}{2} - k + p, d \right) \end{array} \right. \right] dk \\ = 2^{p+\frac{1}{2}(m-n)+\frac{1}{2}} \pi^{-1} e^{-\pi i m} (x-1)^{-p-\frac{1}{2}n-\frac{3}{2}} (x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}n} \\ \times H_{r, s}^{l, u} \left[ z \left( \frac{x-1}{2} \right)^d \left| \begin{array}{l} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{array} \right. \right].$$

where  $d > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 1$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}\left(k + \frac{3}{2} + p + d(1-a_i)/\alpha_i\right) > 0$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ ),  $\operatorname{Re}(n+2p-2db_j/\beta_j) < -\frac{3}{2}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ) and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  are as given in (3.16).

(ix) Let  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $p$  be a complex number and  $n_1$  a real number with  $|n_1| < 2 \operatorname{Re}(k-p+\delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i)$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ ),  $n_1 < -\operatorname{Re}(2k+m)$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(p+\delta b_j/\beta_j) > -\frac{1}{4}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ).

Then for  $-1 < x < 1$ , we have

$$(3.19) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{n_1-i\infty}^{n_1+i\infty} 2^{\frac{1}{2}n} n \frac{\Gamma(-k-\frac{1}{2}(m+n))}{\Gamma(k-\frac{1}{2}(m-n)+1)} P_k^{n,m}(x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+2, u+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} (\frac{1}{2}m-p, \delta), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}, (-p-\frac{1}{2}m, \delta) \\ (k-p+\frac{1}{2}n, \delta), (k-p-\frac{1}{2}n, \delta), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right] dn \\ = -2^{1-k+\frac{1}{2}m} (1+x)^p (1-x)^{k-p} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right)^\delta \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right].$$

PROOF. In (1.4), taking

$$\phi(t) = (1+t)^p (1-t)^{k-p} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{1+t}{1-t} \right)^\delta \left| \begin{matrix} (a_r, \alpha_r) \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

and applying (2.1) with  $t$  replaced by  $-t$  and interchanging  $m$  and  $n$ , we can easily get (3.19).

(x) Now, using the relation (3.2) in (3.19) and then replacing  $l, u, r, s, z^{-1}, \{(1-b_s, \beta_s)\}$  and  $\{(1-a_r, \alpha_r)\}$  respectively by  $u, l, s, r, z, \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\}$  and  $\{(b_s, \beta_s)\}$ , we have

$$(3.20) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{n_1-i\infty}^{n_1+i\infty} 2^{\frac{1}{2}n} n \frac{\Gamma(-k-\frac{1}{2}(m+n))}{\Gamma(k-\frac{1}{2}(m-n)+1)} P_k^{n,m}(x) \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+1, u+2} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} (1-k+p-\frac{1}{2}n, \delta), (1-k+p+\frac{1}{2}n, \delta), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ (1+p-\frac{1}{2}m, \delta), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\}, (1+p+\frac{1}{2}m, \delta) \end{matrix} \right. \right] dn \\ = -2^{1-k+\frac{1}{2}m} (1+x)^p (1-x)^{k-p} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{1-x}{1+x} \right)^\delta \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

where  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $|n_1| < 2 \operatorname{Re}(k-p+\delta b_j/\beta_j)$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ),  $n_1 < -\operatorname{Re}(2k+m)$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(p+\delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i) > -\frac{1}{4}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ ) and  $-1 < x < 1$ .

(xi) Applying [2, p. 239(1.2)], *i.e.*

$$(3.21) \quad P_k^{r,n}(x) = \frac{2^{-k-\frac{1}{2}m+1} (1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{\pi i n}}{\Gamma(-k-\frac{1}{2}(m+n)) \Gamma(k-\frac{1}{2}(m+n)+1)} Q_{-\frac{1}{2}(m+1)}^{-n, 2k+1} \left( \frac{-x-3}{x-1} \right),$$

in (3.19) and (3.20), substituting  $\frac{-x-3}{x-1}$  for  $x$  and replacing  $k$  by  $\frac{1}{2}(n-1)$ ,

$n$  by  $-(2k+1)$  and  $n_1$  by  $-(2k_1+1)$ , we get

$$(3.22) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) \frac{Q_k^{m,n}(x)}{\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}(m+n)+1\right) \Gamma\left(-k+\frac{1}{2}(m+n)\right)} \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+2, u+1} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} \left(-\frac{1}{2}m-p, \delta\right), (a_r, \alpha_r), \left(-p+\frac{1}{2}m, \delta\right) \\ \left(\frac{1}{2}n-k-p-1, \delta\right), \left(k-p+\frac{1}{2}n, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right] dk \\ = 2^{-\frac{1}{2}m+n-p-1} e^{-\pi i m} (x-1)^p (x+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}n} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ z \left( \frac{x-1}{2} \right)^\delta \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right]$$

provided  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 1$ ,

$k_1 > \frac{1}{2}\text{Re}(n-m)-1$ ,  $\text{Re}(p+\delta b_j/\beta_j) > -\frac{1}{4}$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ) and

$|2k_1+1| < \text{Re}(n-1-2p+2\delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i)$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ );

and

$$(3.23) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{k_1-i\infty}^{k_1+i\infty} (2k+1) \frac{Q_k^{m,n}(x)}{\Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}(m+n)+1\right) \Gamma\left(-k+\frac{1}{2}(m+n)\right)} \\ \times H_{r+2, s+2}^{l+1, u+2} \left[ z \left| \begin{matrix} \left(2+p+k-\frac{1}{2}n, \delta\right), \left(1-k+p-\frac{1}{2}n, \delta\right), \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \left(1+\frac{1}{2}m+p, \delta\right), \{(b_s, \beta_s)\}, \left(1+p-\frac{1}{2}m, \delta\right) \end{matrix} \right. \right] dk \\ = 2^{-\frac{1}{2}m+n-p-1} e^{-\pi i m} (x-1)^p (x+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}n} H_{r,s}^{l,u} \left[ \frac{2^\delta z}{(x-1)^\delta} \left| \begin{matrix} \{(a_r, \alpha_r)\} \\ \{(b_s, \beta_s)\} \end{matrix} \right. \right],$$

where  $\delta > 0$ ,  $A \geq 0$ ,  $B > 0$ ,  $|\arg z| < \frac{1}{2}B\pi$ ,  $x > 1$ ,

$k_1 > \frac{1}{2}\text{Re}(n-m)-1$ ,  $\text{Re}(p+\delta(1-a_i)/\alpha_i) > -\frac{1}{4}$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, u$ )

and  $|2k_1+1| < \text{Re}(n-1-2p+2\delta b_j/\beta_j)$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots, l$ ).

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