

parameter differentiation for Bessel and associated Legendre functions

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definitions: special functions

- **gamma function** ($\operatorname{Re} z > 0$) $\Gamma(z + 1) = z\Gamma(z)$

$$\Gamma(z) := \int_0^{\infty} t^{z-1} e^{-t} dt$$

Euler reflection formula: $\Gamma(z)\Gamma(1 - z) = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi z}$

factorial: (for $n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$) $\Gamma(n + 1) = n!$

Pochhammer symbol: (for $n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$) $(a)_n := \frac{\Gamma(a + n)}{\Gamma(a)}$

- **digamma function – logarithmic derivative of gamma function**

$$\frac{d}{dz} \Gamma(z) =: \Gamma(z)\psi(z)$$

- **generalized factorial function**

$${}_pF_q((a_p); (b_q); z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1)_n (a_2)_n \dots (a_p)_n}{(b_1)_n (b_2)_n \dots (b_q)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

definitions – Bessel functions (unrestricted order ν)

■ Bessel function of the first kind

$$J_\nu(z) = \frac{(z/2)^\nu}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} {}_0F_1\left(\nu+1; -\frac{z^2}{4}\right) = \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^\nu \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-z^2/4)^n}{n!\Gamma(\nu+n+1)}$$

■ Bessel function of the second kind (Weber's function)

$$Y_\nu(z) = \cot(\pi\nu)J_\nu(z) - \csc(\pi\nu)J_{-\nu}(z)$$

$$Y_n(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left. \frac{\partial J_\nu(z)}{\partial \nu} \right|_{\nu=n} + \frac{(-1)^n}{\pi} \left. \frac{\partial J_\nu(z)}{\partial \nu} \right|_{\nu=-n}$$

■ modified Bessel function of the first kind

$$I_\nu(z) = \frac{(z/2)^\nu}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} {}_0F_1\left(\nu+1; \frac{z^2}{4}\right) = \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^\nu \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z^2/4)^n}{n!\Gamma(\nu+n+1)}$$

■ modified Bessel function of the second kind (Macdonald's function)

$$K_\nu(z) = \frac{\pi}{2} \csc(\pi\nu)I_{-\nu}(z) - \csc(\pi\nu)I_\nu(z)$$

$$K_n(z) = \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \left. \frac{\partial I_{-\nu}(z)}{\partial \nu} \right|_{\nu=n} - \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \left. \frac{\partial I_\nu(z)}{\partial \nu} \right|_{\nu=n}$$

associated Legendre functions $P_\nu^\mu, Q_\nu^\mu : \mathbf{C} \setminus \{-1, 1\} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$
(complex degree ν order μ)

- two (Gauss hypergeometric) functions – associated Legendre d.e.

$$(1 - z^2) \frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} - 2z \frac{dw}{dz} + \left[\nu(\nu + 1) - \frac{\mu^2}{1 - z^2} \right] w = 0$$

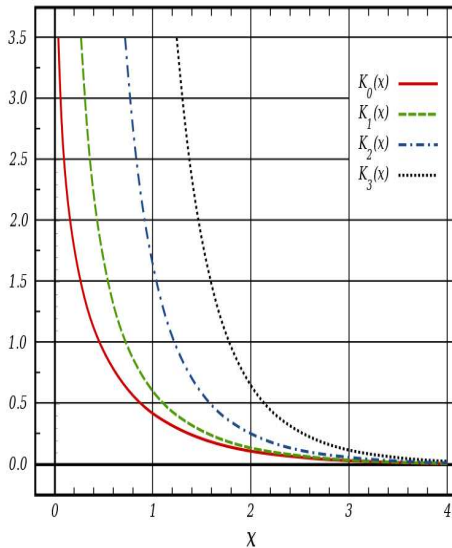
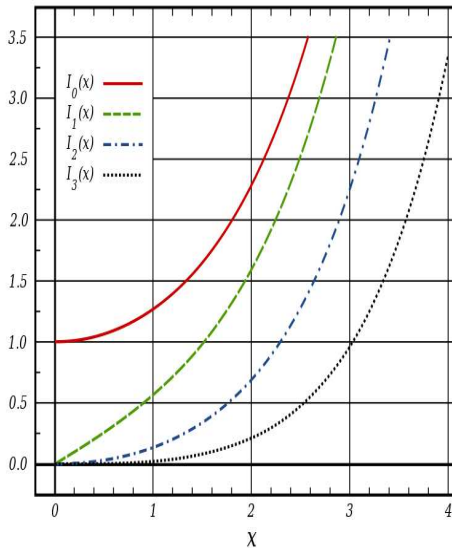
- associated Legendre function of the first kind ($|1 - z| < 2$)

$$\begin{aligned} P_\nu^\mu(z) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\mu)} \left[\frac{z+1}{z-1} \right]^{\frac{\mu}{2}} {}_2F_1 \left(-\nu, \nu + 1; 1 - \mu; \frac{1-z}{2} \right) \\ &= -\frac{\sin(\pi\nu)}{\pi} \left(\frac{z+1}{z-1} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(-\nu + n) \Gamma(\nu + 1 + n)}{n! \Gamma(1 - \mu + n)} \left(\frac{1-z}{2} \right)^n \end{aligned}$$

- associated Legendre function of the second kind ($|z| > 1$)

$$\begin{aligned} Q_\nu^\mu(z) &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} e^{i\mu\pi} \Gamma(\nu + \mu + 1) (z^2 - 1)^{\mu/2}}{2^{\nu+1} \Gamma(\nu + \frac{3}{2}) z^{\nu+\mu+1}} {}_2F_1 \left(\frac{\nu + \mu + 2}{2}, \frac{\nu + \mu + 1}{2}; \nu + \frac{3}{2}; \frac{1}{z^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} e^{i\pi\mu} (z^2 - 1)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu + \mu + 2}{2} + n) \Gamma(\frac{\nu + \mu + 1}{2} + n)}{n! \Gamma(\nu + \frac{3}{2} + n) z^{2n}} \end{aligned}$$

order derivative illustration for modified Bessel functions



order derivatives for Bessel functions

- **Bessel function of the first kind**

$$\frac{\partial J_{\pm\nu}(z)}{\partial\nu} = \pm J_{\pm\nu}(z) \log\left(\frac{z}{2}\right) \mp \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^m \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{\pm\nu+2m} \frac{\psi(\pm\nu+m+1)}{m!\Gamma(\pm\nu+m+1)}$$

- **Bessel function of the second kind (Weber's function)**

$$\frac{\partial Y_{\nu}(z)}{\partial\nu} = \cot(\pi\nu) \frac{\partial J_{\nu}(z)}{\partial\nu} - \csc(\pi\nu) \frac{\partial J_{-\nu}(z)}{\partial\nu} - \pi \csc(\pi\nu) Y_{-\nu}(z)$$

- **modified Bessel function of the first kind**

$$\frac{\partial I_{\nu}(z)}{\partial\nu} = I_{\nu}(z) \log\left(\frac{z}{2}\right) - \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{\nu+2m} \frac{\psi(\nu+m+1)}{m!\Gamma(\nu+m+1)}$$

- **modified Bessel function of the second kind (Macdonald's function)**

$$\frac{\partial K_{\nu}(z)}{\partial\nu} = -\pi \cot(\pi\nu) K_{\nu}(z) + \frac{\pi}{2} \csc(\pi\nu) \left[\frac{\partial I_{-\nu}(z)}{\partial\nu} - \frac{\partial I_{\nu}(z)}{\partial\nu} \right]$$

Bessel function mirror symmetry about $\nu = 0$ ■ **Bessel function of the first kind**

$$J_{-\nu}(z) = J_{\nu}(z) \cos(\pi\nu) - Y_{\nu}(z) \sin(\pi\nu)$$

■ **Bessel function of the second kind (Weber's function)**

$$Y_{-\nu}(z) = J_{\nu}(z) \sin(\pi\nu) + Y_{\nu}(z) \cos(\pi\nu)$$

■ **modified Bessel function of the first kind**

$$I_{-\nu}(z) = I_{\nu}(z) + \frac{2}{\pi} K_{\nu}(z) \sin(\pi\nu)$$

■ **modified Bessel function of the second kind (Macdonald's function)**

$$K_{-\nu}(z) = K_{\nu}(z)$$

order derivatives for Bessel functions (zero-order)

Derivatives of Bessel function with respect to the order evaluated at integer-orders is given in §3.2.3 in Magnus, Oberhettinger & Soni (1966)

- Bessel function of the first kind

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} J_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=0} = \frac{\pi}{2} Y_0(z)$$

- Bessel function of the second kind (Weber's function)

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} Y_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=0} = -\frac{\pi}{2} J_0(z)$$

- modified Bessel function of the first kind

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} I_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=0} = -K_0(z)$$

- modified Bessel function of the second kind (Macdonald's function)

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} K_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=0} = 0$$

order derivatives for Bessel functions (integer-order)

Derivatives of Bessel function with respect to the order evaluated at integer-orders is given by (§3.2.3 in MOS (1966))

■ Bessel function of the first kind

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} J_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm n} = \frac{\pi}{2} (\pm 1)^n Y_n(z) \pm (\pm 1)^n \frac{n!}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(z/2)^{k-n}}{k!(n-k)} J_k(z)$$

■ Bessel function of the second kind (Weber's function)

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} Y_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm n} = -\frac{\pi}{2} (\pm 1)^n J_n(z) \pm (\pm 1)^n \frac{n!}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(z/2)^{k-n}}{k!(n-k)} Y_k(z)$$

■ modified Bessel function of the first kind

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} I_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm n} = (-1)^{n+1} K_n(z) \pm \frac{n!}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(-z/2)^{k-n}}{k!(n-k)} I_k(z)$$

■ modified Bessel function of the second kind (Macdonald's function)

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} K_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm n} = \pm \frac{n!}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(z/2)^{k-n}}{k!(n-k)} K_k(z)$$

order derivatives for Bessel functions (half-integer)

Derivatives of Bessel function with respect to the order evaluated at half-integer-orders is given by (§3.3.3 in MOS (1966))

■ **Bessel function of the first kind**

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} J_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm 1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi z}} \left[\begin{matrix} \sin z \\ \cos z \end{matrix} \right] \text{Ci}(2z) \mp \begin{matrix} \cos z \\ \sin z \end{matrix} \text{Si}(2z) \Bigg]$$

■ **Bessel function of the second kind (Weber's function)**

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} Y_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm 1/2} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi z}} \left[\begin{matrix} \cos z \\ \sin z \end{matrix} \right] \text{Ci}(2z) \pm \begin{matrix} \sin z \\ \cos z \end{matrix} [\text{Si}(2z) - \pi] \Bigg]$$

■ **modified Bessel function of the first kind**

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} I_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm 1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi z}} [e^z \text{Ei}(-2z) \mp e^{-z} \text{Ei}(2z)]$$

■ **modified Bessel function of the second kind (Macdonald's function)**

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} K_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm 1/2} = \mp \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2z}} e^z \text{Ei}(-2z)$$

order derivatives for Bessel functions

■ **cosine integral:** $\text{Ci}(z) := - \int_z^\infty \frac{\cos t}{t} dt$

sine integral: $\text{Si}(z) := \int_0^z \frac{\sin t}{t} dt$

exponential integral: $\text{Ei}(z) := - \int_{-z}^\infty \frac{e^{-t}}{t} dt$

■ **order derivatives at half-odd integer orders**

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} J_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=1/2+n} = \text{ci}(2z) J_{n+1/2}(z) - (-1)^n \text{Si}(2z) J_{-n-1/2}(z)$$

$$+ \frac{n!}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(z/2)^{k-n}}{k!(n-k)} J_{k+1/2}(z) - \frac{n! \sqrt{\pi z}}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(2/z)^k}{(n-k)! k} \sum_{p=0}^{k-1} \frac{z^p}{p!}$$

$$\times \left[J_{n-k+1/2}(z) J_{p-1/2}(2z) - (-1)^{n-k-p} J_{k-n-1/2}(z) J_{1/2-p}(2z) \right]$$

parameter differentiation for associated Legendre functions

- $w_1 = P_\nu^\mu : \{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z - 1| < 2\} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$

$$P_\nu^\mu(z) = -\frac{\sin(\pi\nu)}{\pi} \left(\frac{z+1}{z-1}\right)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(-\nu+n)\Gamma(\nu+1+n)}{n!\Gamma(1-\mu+n)} \left(\frac{1-z}{2}\right)^n$$

$$Q_\nu^\mu(z) = -\frac{\pi^{i\pi\mu}\Gamma(1+\nu+\mu)}{2\sin(\pi\mu)\Gamma(1+\nu-\mu)} P_\nu^{-\mu}(z) + \frac{\pi e^{i\pi\mu}}{2\sin(\pi\mu)} P_\nu^\mu(z)$$

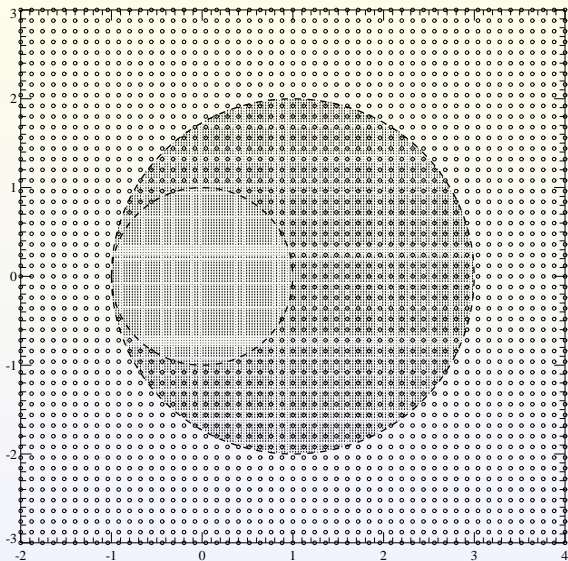
- $w_2 = Q_\nu^\mu : \{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z| > 1\} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$

$$Q_\nu^\mu(z) = \frac{1}{2} e^{i\pi\mu} (z^2 - 1)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+\mu+2}{2} + n)\Gamma(\frac{\nu+\mu+1}{2} + n)}{n!\Gamma(\nu + \frac{3}{2} + n)z^{2n}}$$

$$P_\nu^\mu(z) = \frac{e^{-i\pi\mu} \sin[\pi(\nu+\mu)]}{\pi \cos(\pi\nu)} Q_\nu^\mu(z) - \frac{e^{-i\pi\mu} \sin[\pi(\nu-\mu)]}{\pi \cos(\pi\nu)} Q_{-\nu-1}^\mu(z)$$

- would like $\frac{\partial P_\nu^\mu(z)}{\partial \nu}$, $\frac{\partial Q_\nu^\mu(z)}{\partial \nu}$, and $\frac{\partial P_\nu^\mu(z)}{\partial \mu}$, $\frac{\partial Q_\nu^\mu(z)}{\partial \mu}$, for $z \in \mathbf{C} \setminus \{-1, 1\}$

domains in \mathbf{C} : $P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) : |z - 1| < 2$ $Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) : |z| > 1$



general degree derivatives for associated Legendre functions

■ **general degree derivatives for** $\{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z - 1| < 2\}$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = \pi \cot \pi \nu P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) - \frac{1}{\pi} \mathbf{A}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = \pi \cot(\pi \nu) Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

$$- \frac{\pi e^{i\pi\mu} \Gamma(1+\nu+\mu)}{2 \sin(\pi\mu) \Gamma(1+\nu-\mu)} [\psi(1+\nu-\mu) - \psi(1+\nu+\mu)] P_{\nu}^{-\mu}(z) \\ + \frac{e^{i\pi\mu} \Gamma(1+\nu+\mu)}{2 \sin(\pi\mu) \Gamma(1+\nu-\mu)} \mathbf{A}_{\nu}^{-\mu}(z) - \frac{e^{i\pi\mu}}{2 \sin(\pi\mu)} \mathbf{A}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = -\frac{\pi^2}{2} P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) + \frac{\pi \sin(\pi\mu)}{\sin(\pi\nu) \sin \pi(\nu+\mu)} Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) - \frac{1}{2} \cot \pi(\nu+\mu) \mathbf{A}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \csc \pi(\nu+\mu) \mathbf{A}_{\nu}^{\mu}(-z)$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = \sin(\pi\nu) \left(\frac{z+1}{z-1} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(-\nu+n) \Gamma(\nu+1+n)}{n! \Gamma(1-\mu+n)} [\psi(\nu+n+1) - \psi(-\nu+n)] \left(\frac{1-z}{2} \right)^n$$

$$P_{\nu}^{\mu}(-z) = e^{\mp i\pi\nu} P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) - \frac{2}{\pi} e^{-i\pi\mu} \sin[\pi(\nu+\mu)] Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

$$Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(-z) = -e^{\pm i\pi\nu} Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

general order derivatives for associated Legendre functions

■ **general order derivatives for** $\{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z - 1| < 2\}$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = \frac{1}{2} P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) \log \frac{z+1}{z-1} - \frac{1}{\pi} \mathbf{B}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = -\frac{\pi \Gamma(1+\nu+\mu) e^{i\pi\mu}}{2\Gamma(1+\nu-\mu) \sin(\pi\mu)} [\psi(1+\nu+\mu) + \psi(1+\nu-\mu)] P_{\nu}^{-\mu}(z)$$

$$+ \pi [i - \cot(\pi\mu)] Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) + \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{z+1}{z-1} Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

$$+ \frac{\Gamma(1+\nu+\mu) e^{i\pi\mu}}{\Gamma(1+\nu-\mu) \sin(\pi\mu)} \mathbf{B}_{\nu}^{-\mu}(z) - \frac{e^{i\pi\mu}}{2 \sin(\pi\mu)} \mathbf{B}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = \sin(\pi\nu) \left(\frac{z+1}{z-1} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\nu+n+1) \psi(n-\mu+1)}{n! \Gamma(\nu-n+1) \Gamma(n-\mu+1)} \left(\frac{1-z}{2} \right)^n$$

general order derivatives for associated Legendre functions

■ **general order derivatives for** $\{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z| > 1\}$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = [i\pi + \frac{1}{2} \log(z^2 - 1)] Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{C}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) &= [i\pi + \frac{1}{2} \log(z^2 - 1)] P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) \\ &+ \frac{e^{-2i\pi\mu}}{\cos(\pi\nu)} [e^{-i\pi\nu} Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) + e^{i\pi\nu} Q_{-\nu-1}^{\mu}(z)] \\ &+ \frac{e^{-i\pi\nu}}{4\pi \cos(\pi\nu)} \{ \sin[\pi(\nu + \mu)] \mathbf{C}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) - \sin[\pi(\nu - \mu)] \mathbf{C}_{-\nu-1}^{\mu}(z) \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) &= e^{i\pi\mu} (z^2 - 1)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \\ &\times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+\mu+2}{2}+n) \Gamma(\frac{\nu+\mu+1}{2}+n)}{n! \Gamma(\nu+\frac{3}{2}+n) z^{2n}} \left[\psi(\frac{\nu+\mu+2}{2}+n) + \psi(\frac{\nu+\mu+1}{2}+n) \right] \end{aligned}$$

general degree derivatives for associated Legendre functions

■ **general degree derivatives for** $\{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z| > 1\}$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{C}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} P_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) &= \frac{e^{-i\pi\mu} \cos(\pi\mu)}{\cos^2(\pi\nu)} [Q_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) - Q_{-\nu-1}^{\mu}(z)] \\ &+ \frac{e^{-i\pi\mu}}{4\pi \cos(\pi\nu)} \{ \sin[\pi(\nu + \mu)] \mathbf{C}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) - \sin[\pi(\nu - \mu)] \mathbf{C}_{-\nu-1}^{\mu}(z) \} \\ &- \frac{e^{-i\pi\mu}}{2\pi \cos(\pi\nu)} \{ \sin[\pi(\nu + \mu)] \mathbf{D}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) - \sin[\pi(\nu - \mu)] \mathbf{D}_{-\nu-1}^{\mu}(z) \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{D}_{\nu}^{\mu}(z) = e^{i\pi\mu} (z^2 - 1)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+\mu+2}{2}+n) \Gamma(\frac{\nu+\mu+1}{2}+n)}{n! \Gamma(\nu+\frac{3}{2}+n) z^{2n}} \psi(\nu + \frac{3}{2} + n)$$

What are these $\mathbf{A}_\nu^\mu(z)$, $\mathbf{B}_\nu^\mu(z)$, $\mathbf{C}_\nu^\mu(z)$, $\mathbf{D}_\nu^\mu(z)$?

- most likely independent set of 2 functions
- derivatives with respect to parameters of ${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z)$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n z^n}{n! (c)_n} \psi(a+n) = \psi(a) {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial a} {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z)$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n z^n}{n! (c)_n} \psi(c+n) = \psi(c) {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial c} {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z)$$

- Brychkov & Geddes (2004) “Differentiation of generalized hypergeometric functions with respect to parameters does not, in general, lead to generalized hypergeometric functions”
- Ancarani & Gasaneo (2008, 2009, 2010) compute derivatives with respect to parameters of ${}_pF_q$ and show relation to Kampé de Fériet double hypergeometric series

differentiation with respect to parameters of Gauss hypergeometric functions in terms of Kampé de Fériet multiple hypergeometric series

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial a} {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = \frac{zb}{c} F_{2:2;1}^{2:1;0} \left[\begin{matrix} a+1, b+1 : 1, a; 1; \\ 2, c+1 : a+1; -; \end{matrix} z, z \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial c} {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = -\frac{zab}{c^2} F_{2:2;1}^{2:1;0} \left[\begin{matrix} a+1, b+1 : 1, c; 1; \\ 2, c+1 : c+1; -; \end{matrix} z, z \right]$$

$$F_{l:m;n}^{p:q;k} \left[\begin{matrix} (a_p) : (b_q); (c_k); \\ (\alpha_l) : (\beta_m); (\gamma_n); \end{matrix} x, y \right] = \sum_{r,s=0}^{\infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^p (a_j)_{r+s} \prod_{j=1}^q (b_j)_r \prod_{j=1}^k (c_j)_s}{\prod_{j=1}^l (\alpha_j)_{r+s} \prod_{j=1}^m (\beta_j)_r \prod_{j=1}^n (\gamma_j)_s} \frac{x^r y^s}{r! s!}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n z^n}{n! (c)_n} \psi(a+n) = \psi(a) {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) + \frac{zb}{c} F_{2:2;1}^{2:1;0} \left[\begin{matrix} a+1, b+1 : 1, a; 1; \\ 2, c+1 : a+1; -; \end{matrix} z, z \right]$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n z^n}{n! (c)_n} \psi(c+n) = \psi(c) {}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) + \frac{zab}{c^2} F_{2:2;1}^{2:1;0} \left[\begin{matrix} a+1, b+1 : 1, c; 1; \\ 2, c+1 : c+1; -; \end{matrix} z, z \right]$$

Szmytkowski's formulas (see Szmytkowski (2009))

$$\begin{aligned}
\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} P_\nu^m(z) \right]_{\nu=p} &= P_p^m(z) \log \frac{z+1}{2} \\
&+ [2\psi(2p+1) - \psi(p+1) - \psi(p-m+1)] P_p^m(z) \\
&+ (-1)^{p+m} \sum_{k=0}^{p-m-1} (-1)^k \frac{2k+2m+1}{(p-m-k)(p+m+k+1)} \\
&\quad \times \left[1 + \frac{k!(p+m)!}{(k+2m)!(p-m)!} \right] P_{k+m}^m(z) \\
&+ (-1)^p \frac{(p+m)!}{(p-m)!} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} (-1)^k \frac{2k+1}{(p-k)(p+k+1)} P_k^{-m}(z)
\end{aligned}$$

where $p, m \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ and $0 \leq m \leq p$

Szmytkowski's formulas

Some special cases include for $m = 0$

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} P_\nu(z) \right]_{\nu=p} = P_p(z) \log \frac{z+1}{2} + 2 [\psi(2p+1) - \psi(p+1)] P_p(z) \\ + 2(-1)^p \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} (-1)^k \frac{2k+1}{(p-k)(p+k+1)} P_k(z)$$

and for $m = p$

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} P_\nu^p(z) \right]_{\nu=p} = P_p^p(z) \log \frac{z+1}{2} + [2\psi(2p+1) - \psi(p+1) + \gamma] P_p^p(z) \\ + (-1)^p (2p)! \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} (-1)^k \frac{2k+1}{(p-k)(p+k+1)} P_k^{-p}(z)$$

where $\gamma \approx 0.57721566$ is Euler's constant

Application of Szmytkowski's formula

Recently I proved:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|^\nu &= \frac{e^{i\pi(\nu+d-1)/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{d-2}{2}\right) (r_{>}^2 - r_{<}^2)^{(\nu+d-1)/2}}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(-\frac{\nu}{2}\right) (rr')^{(d-1)/2}} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{\lambda=0}^{\infty} \left(\lambda + \frac{d}{2} - 1\right) Q_{\lambda+(d-3)/2}^{(1-\nu-d)/2} \left(\frac{r^2 + r'^2}{2rr'}\right) C_\lambda^{d/2-1}(\cos \gamma) \end{aligned}$$

for $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}' \in \mathbf{R}^d$ with $r = \|\mathbf{x}\|$, $r' = \|\mathbf{x}'\|$, and $r_{\leq} = \frac{\min}{\max}\{r, r'\}$, then using

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|^\nu = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|^{2p} \log \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|$$

and Whipple's transformation of Legendre functions to obtain a Gegenbauer expansion for singular logarithmic kernels associated with fundamental solutions of the even-dimensional polyharmonic equation in Euclidean space

Cohl's formulas (see Cohl (2010,2011))

In the sequel $m, n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\Gamma(\nu \mp m + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\nu - m + \frac{1}{2})} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} P_{\nu-1/2}^{\mu}(z) \right]_{\mu=\pm m} \\ &= Q_{\nu-1/2}^m(z) + \psi \left(\nu \mp m + \frac{1}{2} \right) P_{\nu-1/2}^m(z) \\ & \pm m! \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{(-1)^{k-m} (z^2 - 1)^{(k-m)/2}}{2^{k-m+1} k! (m-k)} P_{\nu+k-m-1/2}^k(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\Gamma(\nu \mp m + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\nu - m + \frac{1}{2})} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} Q_{\nu-1/2}^{\mu}(z) \right]_{\mu=\pm m} \\ &= [i\pi + \psi(\nu \mp m + \frac{1}{2})] Q_{\nu-1/2}^m(z) \\ & \pm m! \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{(-1)^{k-m} (z^2 - 1)^{(k-m)/2}}{k! (m-k) 2^{k-m+1}} Q_{\nu+k-m-1/2}^k(z) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\pm \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} P_{\nu-1/2}^{\mu}(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm n} = \left[\psi \left(\mu + n + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \psi \left(\mu - n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] P_{n-1/2}^{\mu}(z) \\ + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{n! \Gamma(\mu - n + 1/2) (z^2 - 1)^{(n-k)/2}}{\Gamma(\mu + n - 2k + 1/2) k!(n-k) 2^{k-n+1}} P_{k-1/2}^{\mu+n-k}(z)$$

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} Q_{\nu-1/2}^{\mu}(z) \right]_{\nu=\pm n} \\ = -\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{i\pi\mu} \Gamma \left(\mu - n + \frac{1}{2} \right) (z^2 - 1)^{-1/4} Q_{\mu-1/2}^n \left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{z^2 - 1}} \right) \\ \pm n! \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(z^2 - 1)^{(n-k)/2}}{2^{k-n+1} k!(n-k)} Q_{k-1/2}^{\mu+k-n}(z)$$

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Future work in this classical area of Legendre functions

- **organize the known results, which are scattered, for parameter derivatives in particular cases**
- **find connections and pursue properties of $A_{\nu}^{\mu}, B_{\nu}^{\mu}, C_{\nu}^{\mu}, D_{\nu}^{\mu}$ functions**
- **study multiple derivatives with respect to parameters**
- **investigate anti-derivatives with respect to parameters**