# ON SOME RESULTS ON H-FUNCTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH ORTHOGONAL POLYNOMIALS

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In this paper the author has obtained some results involving H-functions and Gegenbauer (Ultraspherical) classical orthogonal polynomials with the help of the known series and orthogonality-property for the polynomials. Also certain known interesting results have been obtained as particular cases of the formulae established here on specializing the parameters.

#### 1. Introduction.

Some authors have made an attempt to unify and to extend certain results of special functions to Fourier series. Carlson and Greiman [3] have obtained a cosine series for Gegenbauer's function. MacRobert [7] and [8] has given a cosine and a sine series for the *E*-functions. Narain Roop [10] and Jain [6] have also obtained Fourier series for Meijer's *G*-functions. Recently, Parashar [9] and Shah [12] have established some results on Fourier series for *H*-functions.

Fox [5, p. 408] has introduced the H-function in the form of a Mellin–Barnes type integral as

$$\begin{split} (1.1) \qquad H^{m,n}_{p,q} \left[ x \; \middle| \; \frac{\{(a_p,\alpha_p)\}}{\{(b_q,\;\beta_q)\}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int\limits_{L} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{m} \Gamma(b_j - \beta_j s) \prod_{j=1}^{n} \Gamma(1 - a_j + \alpha_j s)}{\prod_{j=m+1}^{q} \Gamma(1 - b_j + \beta_j s) \prod_{j=n+1}^{p} \Gamma(a_j - \alpha_j s)} \, x^s \, ds \; , \end{split}$$

where  $\{(a_p, \alpha_p)\}$  denotes the set of parameters  $(a_1, \alpha_1), (a_2, \alpha_2), \ldots, (a_p, \alpha_p)$  and similarly for  $\{(b_q, \beta_q)\}$  and

- (i)  $1 \leq m \leq q$ ,  $0 \leq n \leq p$ ;
- (ii)  $\alpha$ 's and  $\beta$ 's are positive;
- (iii) p+q<2(m+n),  $|\arg x|<[m+n-\frac{1}{2}(p+q)]\pi$ ;

(iv) further the contour L runs from  $c-i\infty$  to  $c+i\infty$  such that the poles of  $\Gamma(b_h-\beta_h s)$ ,  $h=1,2,\ldots,m$ , lie to the right and the poles of  $\Gamma(1-a_j+\alpha_j s)$ ,  $j=1,2,\ldots,n$ , lie to the left of L.

The aim of this paper is to obtain an expansion-formula (3.1) for the H-function in terms of classical orthogonal Gegenbauer polynomials using the known series. Further, the result has been utilized to evaluate the integral (3.2) involving the product of the H-function and the Gegenbauer (ultraspherical) polynomials in view of orthogonality-property for the polynomials. The H-function is a very general function. Hence many known special functions are obtained by particular choice of parameters. A number of known and interesting particular cases have also been derived.

### 2. Previous results.

The following results have been employed during the course of the present investigation:

(a) The series due to Richard Askey [1]:

(2.1) 
$$(\sin \theta)^{2\gamma} C_{l}^{\gamma} (\cos \theta) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_{k,l}^{\gamma,\xi} C_{l+2k}^{\xi} (\cos \theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\xi};$$

where

$$A_{k,\,l}^{\gamma,\,\xi} = \frac{2^{2\xi-2\gamma} \varGamma(\xi) \, (l+2k+\xi) \, (l+2k) \, ! \, \varGamma(l+2\gamma) \, \varGamma(l+k+\xi) \, \varGamma(k+\xi-\gamma)}{l \, ! \, k \, ! \, \varGamma(\gamma) \, \varGamma(\xi-\gamma) \, \varGamma(l+k+\gamma+1) \, \varGamma(l+2k+2\xi)}$$

and  $\frac{1}{2}(\xi-1) < \gamma < \xi$ ,  $A_{k,l}^{\gamma,\xi} > 0$ .

Setting  $\xi = 1$  in (2.1), it reduces to a known series given by Szegö [13]:

$$(2.2) \qquad (\sin \theta)^{2\gamma-1} C_l^{\gamma} (\cos \theta) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_{k,l}^{\gamma} \sin(l+2k+1)\theta ,$$

for  $\gamma > 0$ ,  $\gamma \neq 1, 2, \ldots$ , and

$$A_{k,l}^{\gamma} = \frac{2^{2-2\gamma}(l+k)! \, \Gamma(l+2\gamma) \, \Gamma(k-\gamma+1)}{\Gamma(\gamma) \, \Gamma(1-\gamma) \, k! \, l! \, \Gamma(l+k+\gamma+1)},$$

and  $C_l^{\gamma}(\cos\theta)$  [11, p. 277, (1)] is defined in the form

$$(2.3) (1 - 2t\cos\theta + t^2)^{-\gamma} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} C_l^{\gamma}(\cos\theta) t^l.$$

Substituting l=0 and replacing  $\gamma$  by 1-s in (2.2), we obtain a known Fourier series due to MacRobert [8]:

(2.4) 
$$\frac{(\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{2} \frac{\Gamma(2-s)}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2}-s)} (\sin \theta)^{1-2s}$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(s)_r}{(2-s)_r} \sin(2r+1)\theta, \quad 0 \le \theta \le \pi, \operatorname{Re}(s) \le \frac{1}{2}.$$

(b) The expansion-formula [11, p. 283, (37)]:

(2.5) 
$$C_{l}^{\gamma}(\cos \theta) = \sum_{k=0}^{l} \frac{(\gamma)_{k}(\gamma)_{l-k}}{k! (l-k)!} \cos(l-2k)\theta$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{l} \frac{(-l)_{k}(\gamma)_{k}(\gamma)_{l}}{k! l! (1-\gamma-l)_{k}} \cos(l-2k)\theta.$$

(c) The orthogonality-property for Gegenbauer polynomials [11, p.281, (27) and (28)]:

If  $\operatorname{Re}(\gamma) > -\frac{1}{2}$ , then

$$(2.6) \quad \int_{-1}^{1} (1-x^{2})^{\gamma-\frac{1}{2}} C_{l}^{\gamma}(x) C_{m}^{\gamma}(x) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \neq l, \\ \frac{(2\gamma)_{l} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) \Gamma(\gamma+\frac{1}{2})}{l! (\gamma+l) \Gamma(\gamma)}, & \text{if } m = l. \end{cases}$$

(d) Legendre's duplication formula [11, p. 24, (2)]:

$$(2.7) (\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Gamma(2z) = 2^{2z-1} \Gamma(z) \Gamma(z+\frac{1}{2}) .$$

# 3. Main results.

The main results to be established are contained in the following Expansion formula (i) and Integral (ii).

(i) Expansion-formula:

$$\begin{split} (3.1) \quad & \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} H_{p+3,\,q+3}^{m+2,\,n+1} \left[ 2^2 z \, \middle| \, \frac{(2-\xi-u,1),\, \{(a_p,\alpha_p)\},\, (1,1),\, (l+u+2,1)}{(l+2,2),\, \{(b_q,\beta_q)\},\, (2-\xi,1)} \right] \cdot \\ & \quad \cdot \frac{2^{2\xi-2} \varGamma(\xi) (l+2u+\xi) (l+2u)!\, \varGamma(l+u+\xi)}{l!\, u!\, \varGamma(l+2u+2\xi)} \, C_{l+2u}^{\xi} \left(\cos\theta\right) \, (\sin\theta)^{2\xi} \\ & = \sin^2\theta \, \sum_{k=0}^{l} \frac{(-l)_k}{k!\, l!} \, H_{p+3,\,q+3}^{m+2,\,n+1} \cdot \\ & \quad \cdot \left[ \frac{z}{\sin^2\theta} \, \middle| \, \frac{(l+1,1),\, \{(a_p,\alpha_p)\},\, (1,1),\, (1,1)}{(1+k,1),\, (1+l,1),\, \{(b_q,\beta_q)\},\, (l-k+1,1)} \right] \cos(l-2k)\theta \; , \end{split}$$

where  $0 \le \theta \le \pi$  and

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{Re}\left[l + 2(1 - a_i/\alpha_i)\right] \, > \, 0, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n\,; \\ \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + b_h/\beta_h\right) \, > \, 0, \quad h = 1, 2, \dots, m\,\,, \\ \sum_1^p \, \alpha_j - \sum_1^q \, \beta_j \, \leq \, 0, \quad \sum_1^n \, \alpha_j - \sum_{n+1}^p \, \alpha_j + \sum_1^m \, \beta_j - \sum_{m+1}^q \, \beta_j \, \equiv \, \lambda \, > \, 0, \\ |\operatorname{arg} z| \, < \, \frac{1}{2}\lambda\pi \,\,. \end{split}$$

(ii) Integral:

(3.2)

$$\sum_{k=0}^{l} \frac{(-l)_k}{k! \, l!} \int\limits_0^\pi H_{p+3,\,q+3}^{m+2,\,n+1} \left[ \frac{z}{\sin^2 \theta} \, \middle| \, \frac{(l+1,1),\, \{(a_p,\alpha_p)\},\, (1,1),\, (1,1)}{(1+k,1),\, (1+l,1),\, \{(b_q,\beta_q)\},\, (l-k+1,1)} \right] \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \, \middle| \, \frac{(l+1,1),\, \{(a_p,\alpha_p)\},\, (l+1),\, (l+1,1),\, \{(b_q,\beta_q)\},\, (l-k+1,1)\}}{(1+k,1),\, (1+l,1),\, \{(b_q,\beta_q)\},\, (l-k+1,1)\}} \right] \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \, \middle| \, \frac{(l+1,1),\, \{(a_p,\alpha_p)\},\, (l+1),\, (l+1,1),\, \{(b_q,\beta_q)\},\, (l-k+1,1)\}}{(1+k,1),\, (l+1,1),\, \{(a_p,\alpha_p)\},\, (a_p,\alpha_p)\},\, (a_p,\alpha_p)\}$$

 $\cdot \sin^2\theta \, \cos{(l-2k)} \theta C^{\xi}_{l+2\gamma}(\cos\theta) \; d\theta$ 

$$=\frac{\pi}{2}\frac{\varGamma(l+\gamma+\xi)}{l!\,\gamma!\,\varGamma(\xi)}H^{m+2,\,n+1}_{p+3,\,q+3}\left[2^2z\left|\frac{(2-\xi-\gamma,1),\,\{(a_p,\alpha_p)\},\,(1,1),\,(l+\gamma+2,1)}{(l+2,2),\,\{(b_q,\beta_q)\},\,(2-\xi,1)}\right],$$

where  $0 \le \theta \le \pi$  and  $\gamma = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ 

PROOF OF (i). To establish (3.1), expressing the H-function in Mellin–Barnes type integral (1.1) on the left of (3.1), the expression becomes

$$(3.3) \qquad \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{L}$$

$$\begin{split} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{m} \Gamma(b_{j} - \beta_{j}s) \, \Gamma(l+2-2s) \, \prod_{j=1}^{n} \Gamma(1-a_{j} + \alpha_{j}s) \Gamma(\xi+u-1+s) \, 2^{2s}z^{s}}{\prod_{j=m+1}^{q} \, \Gamma(1-b_{j} + \beta_{j}s) \, \Gamma(\xi-1+s) \, \prod_{j=n+1}^{p} \, \Gamma(a_{j} - \alpha_{j}s) \, \Gamma(1-s) \Gamma(l+u+2-s)} \, \, ds \cdot \\ \cdot \, \left\{ \frac{2^{2\xi-2} \, \Gamma(\xi) \, (l+2u+\xi) \, (l+2u)! \, \Gamma(l+u+\xi)}{l! \, u! \, \Gamma(l+2u+2\xi)} \, C_{l+2u}^{\xi} \, (\cos\theta) \, (\sin\theta)^{2\xi} \right\}, \end{split}$$

valid under the conditions given in (3.1), and the poles of  $\Gamma(l+2-2s)$  lie to the right and those of  $\Gamma(\xi+u-1+s)$  lie to the left of the contour L.

On changing the order of summation and integration in view of [2, p. 500] and the conditions given in (3.1), it reduces to

$$(3.4) \qquad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{L} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{m} \Gamma(b_{j} - \beta_{j}s) \prod_{j=1}^{n} \Gamma(1 - a_{j} + \alpha_{j}s)}{\prod_{j=m+1}^{q} \Gamma(1 - b_{j} + \beta_{j}s) \prod_{j=n+1}^{p} \Gamma(a_{j} - \alpha_{j}s)} z^{s} \cdot \left\{ \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2s+2\xi-2} \Gamma(l+2-2s) \Gamma(\xi+u-1+s) \Gamma(\xi) (l+2u+\xi) (l+2u)! \Gamma(l+u+\xi)}{\Gamma(\xi-1+s) \Gamma(1-s) \Gamma(l+u+2-s) l! u! \Gamma(l+2u+2\xi)} \cdot C_{l+2u}^{\xi} (\cos \theta) (\sin \theta)^{2\xi} \right\} ds .$$

Replacing  $\gamma$  by 1-s in (2.1) and then using this in (3.4), we get

$$(3.5) \qquad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{L} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{m} \Gamma(b_{j} - \beta_{j}s) \prod_{j=1}^{n} \Gamma(1 - a_{j} + \alpha_{j}s)z^{s}}{\prod_{j=m+1}^{q} \Gamma(1 - b_{j} + \beta_{j}s) \prod_{j=n+1}^{p} \Gamma(a_{j} - \alpha_{j}s)} \{(\sin \theta)^{2-2s} C_{l}^{1-s}(\cos \theta)\} ds.$$

By virtue of (2.5) for  $\gamma = 1 - s$  and then change of the order of integration and summation (which is permitted), the expression (3.5) takes the form

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$$\sin^{2}\theta \sum_{k=0}^{l} \frac{(-l)_{k}}{k! l!} \cdot \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{L} \frac{\Gamma(1+k-s)\Gamma(1+l-s) \prod_{j=1}^{m} \Gamma(b_{j}-\beta_{j}s)}{\prod_{j=m+1}^{q} \Gamma(1-b_{j}+\beta_{j}s)\Gamma(-l+k+s) \prod_{j=n+1}^{p} \Gamma(a_{j}-\alpha_{j}s)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(-l+s) \prod_{j=1}^{n} \Gamma(1-a_{j}+\alpha_{j}s)}{\Gamma(1-s)\Gamma(1-s)} \frac{z^{s}}{(\sin^{2}\theta)^{s}} ds \right\} \cos(l-2k)\theta,$$

which yields the expression on the right of (3.1) on interpreting (1.1).

PROOF OF (ii) To prove (3.2), we multiply both sides of (3.1) by  $C_{l+2\nu}^{\xi}(\cos\theta)$  and integrate with respect to  $\theta$  over  $(0,\pi)$ , and then change the order of integration and summation (which is easily seen to be justified), we obtain

$$(3.7) \qquad \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} H_{p+3,\,q+3}^{m+2,\,n+1} \left[ 2^{2}z \, \left| \, \frac{(2-\xi-u,1),\,\{(a_{p},\alpha_{p})\},\,(1,1),\,(l+u+2,1)}{(l+2,2),\,\{(b_{q},\beta_{q})\},\,(2-\xi,1)} \right] \cdot \frac{2^{2\xi-2}\Gamma(\xi)\,(l+2u+\xi)\,(l+2u)!\,\Gamma(l+u+\xi)}{l!\,u!\,\Gamma(l+2u+2\xi)} \int_{0}^{\pi} (\sin\theta)^{2\xi} C_{l+2u}^{\xi}(\cos\theta)\,C_{l+2\gamma}^{\xi}(\cos\theta)\,d\theta \right.$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{l} \frac{(-l)_{k}}{k!\,l!} \int_{0}^{\pi} H_{p+3,\,q+3}^{m+2,\,n+1} \left[ \frac{z}{\sin^{2}\theta} \, \left| \frac{(l+1,1),\,\{(a_{p},\alpha_{p})\},\,(1,1),\,(1,1)}{(1+k,1),\,(1+l,1),\,\{(b_{q},\beta_{q})\},\,(l-k+1,1)} \right] \cdot \sin^{2}\theta\cos(l-2k)\theta\,C_{l+2\gamma}^{\xi}(\cos\theta)\,d\theta \,.$$

Now we make use of (2.6) with  $x = \cos \theta$  and (2.7) on the left of (3.7). This ultimately yields the right hand side of (3.2).

## 4. Particular cases.

It may be noted that on account of the generalized nature of the H-function, several new interesting results can be derived with proper choice of parameters. Hence the formulae established in this paper are of general character.

Three particular cases should be mentioned here:

- (i) In (3.1) and (3.2), setting  $l=0, \xi=1$  and using (2.2), we obtain the known results due to Parashar [9, p. 1083, (1.3), and p. 1084, (2.6)].
- (ii) By taking l=0,  $\xi=1$  and  $\alpha_j=\beta_h=1$ ,  $j=1,2,\ldots,p$ ,  $h=1,2,\ldots,q$  etc., in (3.1) and (3.2), the known results on series and integrals involving Meijer's G-functions given by Jain [6] and Narain Roop [10] can be obtained.
  - (iii) In (3.1), using the known relation [4, p. 215, (2)]

$$H_{q+1,p}^{p,1}\left[x \mid \{(1,1),\{(b_q,1)\}\}\right] = G_{q+1,p}^{p,1}\left(x \mid 1,b_1,\ldots,b_q\atop a_1,\ldots,a_p\right)$$
$$= E(p; a_r; q; b_s; x),$$

where E is MacRobert's E-function, we obtain the Fourier series of the E-function due to MacRobert [8].

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