

## Expansion Formula for the Multivariable $A$ -Function Involving Generalized Legendre's Associated Function

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**Abstract:** The authors have established a new expansion formula for multivariable  $A$ -function due to Gautam et. al. [3] in terms of products of the multivariable  $A$ -function and the generalized Legendre's associated function due to Meulenbeld [4]. Some special cases are given in the last.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Gautam and Goyal [3] defined and represented the multivariable  $A$ -function as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} A[z_1, \dots, z_r] &= A_{p,q;p_1,q_1; \dots; p_r, q_r}^{m,n;m_1, n_1; \dots; m_r, n_r} \\ &\cdot \left[ \begin{array}{l} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_r \end{array} \middle| \begin{array}{l} (a_j; A_j, \dots, A_j^{(r)})_{1,p}; (c_j, C_j)_{1,p_1}; \dots; (c_j^{(r)}, C_j^{(r)})_{1,p_r} \\ (b_j; B_j, \dots, B_j^{(r)})_{1,q}; (d_j, D_j)_{1,q_1}; \dots; (d_j^{(r)}, D_j^{(r)})_{1,q_r} \end{array} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\omega)^r} \int_{L_1} \dots \int_{L_r} \theta_1(s_1) \dots \theta_r(s_r) \Phi(s_1, \dots, s_r) z_1^{s_1} \dots z_r^{s_r} ds_1 \dots ds_r \quad (1.1) \end{aligned}$$

Where  $\omega = \sqrt{-1}$  ;

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_i(s_i) &= \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{m_i} \Gamma(d_j^{(i)} - D_j^{(i)} s_i) \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} \Gamma(1 - c_j^{(i)} + C_j^{(i)} s_i)}{\prod_{j=m_i+1}^{q_i} \Gamma(1 - d_j^{(i)} + D_j^{(i)} s_i) \prod_{j=n_i+1}^{p_i} \Gamma(c_j^{(i)} - C_j^{(i)} s_i)} \\ &\quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, r\} \quad (1.2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(s_1, \dots, s_r) &= \frac{\prod_{j=1}^n \Gamma(1 - a_j + \sum_{i=1}^r A_j^{(i)} s_i) \prod_{j=1}^m \Gamma(b_j - \sum_{i=1}^r B_j^{(i)} s_i)}{\prod_{j=n+1}^p \Gamma(a_j - \sum_{i=1}^r A_j^{(i)} s_i) \prod_{j=m+1}^q \Gamma(1 - b_j + \sum_{i=1}^r B_j^{(i)} s_i)} \quad (1.3) \end{aligned}$$

Here  $m, n, p, q, m_i, n_i, p_i$ , and  $q_i$   $i = 1, \dots, r$  are non-negative integers and all  $a_j s, b_j s, d_j^{(i)} s, c_j^{(i)} s, A_j^{(i)} s$  and  $B_j^{(i)} s$  are complex numbers.

The multiple integral defining the  $A$ -function of  $r$ -variables converges absolutely if

$$|\arg(\Omega_i)z_k| < \frac{\pi}{2} \eta_i, \xi_i^* = 0, \eta_i > 0 \quad (1.4)$$

$$\Omega_i = \prod_{j=1}^p \{A_j^{(i)}\}^{A_j^{(i)}} \prod_{j=1}^q \{B_j^{(i)}\}^{-B_j^{(i)}} \prod_{j=1}^{q_i} \{D_j^{(i)}\}^{D_j^{(i)}} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{p_i} \{C_j^{(i)}\}^{-C_j^{(i)}} \\ , \forall i \in \{1, \dots, r\}; \quad (1.5)$$

$$\xi_i^* = I_m \left[ \sum_{j=1}^p A_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=1}^q B_j^{(i)} + \sum_{j=1}^{q_i} D_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=1}^{q_i} C_j^{(i)} \right], \forall i \in \{1, \dots, r\} \quad (1.6)$$

$$\eta_i = \operatorname{Re} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n A_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=n+1}^p A_j^{(i)} + \sum_{j=1}^m B_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=m+1}^q B_j^{(i)} + \sum_{j=1}^{m_i} D_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=m_i+1}^{q_i} D_j^{(i)} + \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} C_j^{(i)} - \sum_{j=n_i+1}^{p_i} C_j^{(i)} \right] \\ \forall i \in \{1, \dots, r\}; \quad (1.7)$$

If we take  $A_j^{(i)}, B_j^{(i)}, C_j^{(i)}$  and  $D_j^{(i)}$  as real and positive and  $m = 0$ , the  $A$ -function reduces to multivariable  $H$ -function of Srivastava and Panda [7]

In this paper we will evaluate an integral involving generalized associated Legendre's function and the multivariable  $A$ -function due to Gautam [3] and apply it in deriving an expansion for the multivariable  $A$ -function in series of products of associated Legendre's function and the multivariable  $A$ -function.

## 2. THE INTEGRAL

The integral to be evaluated is:

$$\int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\rho-\frac{u}{2}} (1+x)^{\sigma+\frac{v}{2}} P_{k-\frac{u-v}{2}}^{u,v}(x) \\ \times A \left[ (1-x)^{\alpha_1} (1+x)^{\beta_1} z_1, \dots, (1-x)^{\alpha_r} (1+x)^{\beta_r} z_r \right] dx \\ = 2^{\rho-u+v+\sigma+1} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-k)_t (v-u+k+1)_t}{\Gamma(1-u+t) t!} A_{p+2,q+1:(p',q'):::p^{(r)},q^{(r)}}^{m,n+2:(m',n'):::m^{(r)},n^{(r)}} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} 2^{\alpha_1+\beta_1} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ 2^{\alpha_r+\beta_r} z_r \end{array} \right]_{(b_{rj}, \beta_{rj}', \dots, \beta_{rj}^{(r)})_{1,q}}, \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} (u-\rho-t; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r), (\alpha_{rj}, \alpha_{rj}', \dots, \alpha_{rj}^{(r)})_{1,p}, (a_j, \alpha_j')_{1,p}, \dots, (a_j^{(r)}, \alpha_j^{(r)})_{1,p^{(r)}} \\ (u-v-\rho-\sigma-t-1; \alpha_1+\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r+\beta_r), (b_j, \beta_j')_{1,q}, \dots, (b_j^{(r)}, \beta_j^{(r)})_{1,q^{(r)}} \end{array} \right] \quad (2.1)$$

The integral (2.1) is valid under the following set of conditions:

(i)  $\alpha_i, \beta_i > 0; \forall i \in 1, 2, \dots, r; k - \frac{u-v}{2}$  is a positive integer,  $k$  is a integer  $\geq 0$ .

(ii)  $\operatorname{Re} \left( \rho - u + \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \frac{b_j^{(i)}}{\beta_j^{(i)}} \right) > -1; \operatorname{Re} \left( \sigma + v + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_i \frac{b_j^{(i)}}{\beta_j^{(i)}} \right) > -1; (j = 1, 2, \dots, m_i; i = 1, 2, \dots, r)$

And the conditions given in (1.4) to (1.7) are also satisfied.

**Proof:** On expressing the multivariable  $A$ -function in the integrand as a multiple Mellin-Barnes type integral (1.1) and inverting the order of integrations, which is justified due to the absolute convergence of the integrals involved in the process, the value of the integral

$$= (2\pi w)^r \int_{L_1} \dots \int_{L_r} \psi(s_1, \dots, s_r) \sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(s_i) z_i^{\xi_i}$$

$$\times \left\{ \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\rho - \frac{u}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \xi_i} (1+x)^{\sigma + \frac{v}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_i \xi_i} \right.$$

$$\left. P_{k - \frac{u-v}{2}}^{u,v}(x) dx \right\} d\xi_1 \dots d\xi_r$$

On evaluating the  $x$ -integral with the help of the integral ([5], p.343, eq. (38)):

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^\rho (1+x)^\sigma P_{k - \frac{m-n}{2}}^{m,n}(x) dx \\ &= \frac{2^{\rho+\sigma-\frac{m-n}{2}} \Gamma\left(\rho - \frac{m}{2} + 1\right) \Gamma\left(\sigma + \frac{n}{2} + 1\right)}{\Gamma(1-m) \Gamma\left(\rho + \sigma - \frac{m-n}{2} + 2\right)} \\ & \quad \times {}_3F_2\left(-k, n-m+k+1, \rho - \frac{m}{2} + 1; 1-m, \rho - \sigma - \frac{m-n}{2} + 2; 1\right) \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Provided that  $\operatorname{Re}\left(\rho - \frac{m}{2}\right) > -1$ ;  $\operatorname{Re}\left(\sigma + \frac{n}{2}\right) > -1$  and interpreting the result with the help of (1.1), the integral (2.1) is established.

### 3. EXPANSION THEOREM

Let the following conditions be established:

(i)  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_r > 0; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r \geq 0$  (or  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_r \geq 0; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r > 0$ );

(ii)  $m^{(i)}, n^{(i)}, p^{(i)}, q^{(i)}$  ( $i = 1, \dots, r$ ) are non-negative integers where

$0 \leq m^{(i)} \leq q^{(i)}, 0 \leq n^{(i)} \leq p^{(i)}, q^k \geq 0, 0 \leq n \leq p$  and the conditions given by (1.4) to (1.7) are also satisfied.

(iii)  $\operatorname{Re}(u) > -1, \operatorname{Re}(v) > -1, \operatorname{Re}\left(\rho - u + \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \frac{b_j^{(i)}}{\beta_j^{(i)}}\right) > -1;$

$\operatorname{Re}\left(\sigma + v + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_i \frac{b_j^{(i)}}{\beta_j^{(i)}}\right) > -1; (j = 1, 2, \dots, m_i; i = 1, 2, \dots, r).$

Then the following expansion formula holds:

$$(1-x)^{\rho - \frac{u}{2}} (1+x)^{\sigma + \frac{v}{2}} A \left[ (1-x)^{\alpha_1} (1+x)^{\beta_1} z_1, \dots, (1-x)^{\alpha_r} (1+x)^{\beta_r} z_r \right]$$

$$= 2^{\rho+\sigma} \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\mu=0}^N \frac{(2N-u+v+1)\Gamma(N-u+1)\Gamma(1+v-u+N+\mu)(-N)_\mu}{N! \mu! \Gamma(1+v+N) \Gamma(1-u+\mu)}$$

$$P_{N-\frac{u-v}{2}}^{u,v}(x) A_{m,n+2:(m',n')\dots m^{(r)},n^{(r)}}^{p+2,q+l:(p',q')\dots p^{(r)},q^{(r)}} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 2^{\alpha_1+\beta_1} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ 2^{\alpha_r+\beta_r} z_r \\ \hline (b_{rj}, \beta_{rj}, \dots, \beta_{rj}^{(r)})_{1,q} \end{array} \right]^{(-\sigma-v;\beta_1, \dots, \beta_r),} \\ (u-\rho-\mu; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r), (\alpha_{rj}, \alpha_{rj}', \dots, \alpha_{rj}^{(r)})_{1,p}; (a_j, \alpha_j)', \dots, (a_j^{(r)}, \alpha_j^{(r)})_{1,p^{(r)}} \\ (u-v-\rho-\sigma-\mu-1; \alpha_1+\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r+\beta_r), (b_j, \beta_j)', \dots, (b_j^{(r)}, \beta_j^{(r)})_{1,q^{(r)}} \end{array} \right] \quad (3.1)$$

**Proof:** Let

$$f(x) = (1-x)^{\frac{u}{2}} (1+x)^{\frac{\sigma+v}{2}} A \left[ (1-x)^{\alpha_1} (1+x)^{\beta_1} z_1, \dots, (1-x)^{\alpha_r} (1+x)^{\beta_r} z_r \right] \\ = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} C_N P_{N-\frac{u-v}{2}}^{u,v}(x) \quad (3.2)$$

Equation (3.2) is valid since  $f(x)$  is continuous and of bounded variation in the interval (-1,1).

Now, multiplying both the sides of (3.2) by  $P_{N-\frac{u-v}{2}}^{u,v}(x)$  and integrating with respect to  $x$  from -1 to 1;

evaluating the L.H.S. with the help of (2.1) and on the R.H.S. interchanging the order of summation, using ([2],p.176,eq. (75)) and then applying orthogonality property of the generalized Legendre's associated functions ([5],p.340,eq.(27)):

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_{k-\frac{u-v}{2}}^{u,v}(x) P_{N-\frac{u-v}{2}}^{u,v}(x) dx \\ = \begin{cases} 0; \text{ if } k \neq N \\ \frac{2^{u-v+1} k! \Gamma(k+v+1)}{(2k-u+v+1) \Gamma(k-u+1) \Gamma(k-u+v+1)}; \text{ if } k=N \end{cases} \quad (3.3)$$

Provided that  $\operatorname{Re}(u), 1, \operatorname{Re}(v) < 1$ ; we obtain

$$C_k = \frac{2^{\rho+\sigma} (2k-u+v+1) \Gamma(k-u+1)}{k! \Gamma(k+v+1)} \sum_{\mu=0}^k \frac{(-k)_\mu \Gamma(k-u+v+\mu+1)}{\mu! \Gamma(k-u+\mu)} \\ I_{p+2,q+l:(p',q')\dots p^{(r)},q^{(r)}}^{m,n+2:(m',n')\dots m^{(r)},n^{(r)}} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 2^{\alpha_1+\beta_1} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ 2^{\alpha_r+\beta_r} z_r \\ \hline (b_{rj}, \beta_{rj}, \dots, \beta_{rj}^{(r)})_{1,q} \end{array} \right]^{(-\sigma-v;\beta_1, \dots, \beta_r),} \\ (u-\rho-\mu; \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r), (\alpha_{rj}, \alpha_{rj}', \dots, \alpha_{rj}^{(r)})_{1,p}; (a_j, \alpha_j)', \dots, (a_j^{(r)}, \alpha_j^{(r)})_{1,p^{(r)}} \\ (u-v-\rho-\sigma-\mu-1; \alpha_1+\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r+\beta_r), (b_j, \beta_j)', \dots, (b_j^{(r)}, \beta_j^{(r)})_{1,q^{(r)}} \end{array} \right] \quad (3.4)$$

Now on substituting the values of  $C_k$  in (3.2), the result follows.

#### 4. SPECIAL CASES

If in (2.1), we put  $m=0$ , the multivariable  $A$ -function occurring in the left-hand side of these formulae would reduce immediately to multivariable  $H$ -function due to Srivastava et. al.[7] and we get result given by Saxena and Ramawat [6]

$$(1-x)^{\frac{u}{2}} (1+x)^{\frac{\sigma+v}{2}} H \left[ (1-x)^{\alpha_1} (1+x)^{\beta_1} z_1, \dots, (1-x)^{\alpha_r} (1+x)^{\beta_r} z_r \right] \\ = 2^{\rho+\sigma} \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\mu=0}^N \frac{(2N-u+v+1) \Gamma(N-u+1) \Gamma(1+v-u+N+\mu) (-N)_\mu}{N! \mu! \Gamma(1+v+N) \Gamma(1-u+\mu)} \\ P_{N-\frac{u-v}{2}}^{u,v}(x) H_{p+2,q+l:(p',q')\dots p^{(r)},q^{(r)}}^{0,n+2:(m',n')\dots m^{(r)},n^{(r)}}$$

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$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} 2^{\alpha_1+\beta_1} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ 2^{\alpha_r+\beta_r} z_r \end{array} \right]_{(b_j, \beta_j, \dots, \beta_j^{(r)})_{1,q}}^{(-\sigma-v; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_r),} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} (\alpha_j, \alpha_j^{(r)})_{1,p}; (a_j^{(r)}, \alpha_j^{(r)})_{1,p}; \dots; (a_j^{(r)}, \alpha_j^{(r)})_{1,p^{(r)}} \\ (\alpha_1+\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r+\beta_r); (b_j^{(r)}, \beta_j^{(r)})_{1,q}; \dots; (b_j^{(r)}, \beta_j^{(r)})_{1,q^{(r)}} \end{array} \right]_{(4.1)}$$

Provided all the conditions given with (3.1) and the conditions ([7], p.252-253, eq. (c.4), (c.5) and (c.6)) are satisfied.

For  $n = 0 = p, q = 0$ , the multivariable  $H$ -function breaks up into a product of  $r$   $H$ -function and consequently, (4.1) reduces to

$$(1-x)^{\rho-\frac{u}{2}} (1+x)^{\sigma+\frac{v}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^r \left\{ H_{p_i, q_i}^{m_i, n_i} \left[ (1-x)^{\alpha_i} (1+x)^{\beta_i} \left| \begin{array}{c} a_j^{(i)}, \alpha_j^{(i)} \\ b_j^{(i)}, \beta_j^{(i)} \end{array} \right. \right]_{1, p_i} \right\} \\ = 2^{\rho+\sigma} \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\mu=0}^N \frac{(2N-u+v+1)\Gamma(N-u+1)\Gamma(1+v-u+N+\mu)(-N)_\mu}{N! \mu! \Gamma(1+v+N) \Gamma(1-u+\mu)} \\ P_{N-\frac{u-v}{2}}^{\mu, v}(x) H_{2, l: (p', q') \dots; p^{(r)}, q^{(r)}}^{0, 2: (m', n') \dots; m^{(r)}, n^{(r)}} \left[ \begin{array}{c} 2^{\alpha_1+\beta_1} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ 2^{\alpha_r+\beta_r} z_r \end{array} \right]_{-}^{(-\sigma-v; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_r),} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} (\alpha_j, \alpha_j^{(r)})_{1,p}; (a_j^{(r)}, \alpha_j^{(r)})_{1,p}; \dots; (a_j^{(r)}, \alpha_j^{(r)})_{1,p^{(r)}} \\ (\alpha_1+\beta_1, \dots, \alpha_r+\beta_r); (b_j^{(r)}, \beta_j^{(r)})_{1,q}; \dots; (b_j^{(r)}, \beta_j^{(r)})_{1,q^{(r)}} \end{array} \right]_{(4.2)}$$

For  $r = 1$ , (4.2) gives riseto the result due to Anandani [1].

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