A REPRESENTATION OF JACOBI FUNCTIONS

E. Y. DEEBA

Department of Applied Mathematical Sciences
University of Houston-Downtown
Houston, Texas 77002

and

E. L. KOH

Department of Mathematics & Statistics
University of Regina
Regina, Canada S4S 0A2

(Received August 1, 1985)

Abstract: Recently, the continuous Jacobi transform and its inverse are defined and studied in [1] and [2]. In the present work, the transform is used to derive a series representation for the Jacobi functions $P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x)$, $-\frac{1}{2} \leq \alpha, \beta \leq \frac{1}{2}$, $\alpha + \beta = 0$, and $\lambda \geq -\frac{1}{2}$. The case $\alpha = \beta = 0$ yields a representation for the Legendre functions and has been dealt with in [3]. When λ is a positive integer n , the representation reduces to a single term, viz., the Jacobi polynomial of degree n .

KEY WORDS AND PHRASES: Jacobi functions, Jacobi transform, representation, special functions.

1980 MATHEMATICS SUBJECT CLASSIFICATION CODES: 33A30, 44A15, 44A20.

1. **Introduction.** The continuous Jacobi transform and its inverse were introduced and studied in [1] and [2]. These transforms generalize the work of Butzer, Stens and Wehrens [3] on the continuous Legendre transform and the work of Debnath [4] on the discrete Jacobi transform. In [2] an application to sampling technique was given. In the present work, the continuous Jacobi transform is used to derive a series representation of Jacobi functions $P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x)$. The representation includes that for the Legendre function given in [3]. When λ is a positive integer, the representation reduces to the Jacobi polynomial (see e.g. [5]).

2. Preliminaries. In this section we review material needed in the development of the paper.

For $\alpha, \beta > -1$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, $\lambda + \alpha + \beta \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$ and $x \in (-1, 1]$, the Jacobi function of the first kind, $P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x)$, is given by

$$P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\lambda + 1)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)} F(-\lambda, \lambda + \alpha + \beta + 1; \alpha + 1; \frac{1-x}{2}) \quad (2.1)$$

(see [6]) where

$$F(a, b; c; z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k (b)_k}{(c)_k k!} z^k, \quad |z| < 1,$$

a, b, c real numbers with $c \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$.

Since $P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha - \lambda + 1)\Gamma(\lambda - \alpha - \beta)}{\Gamma(1 - \lambda)\Gamma(\lambda - \beta)} P_{\lambda - \alpha - \beta - 1}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x)$, we may restrict ourselves to $\lambda \geq -\frac{\alpha + \beta + 1}{2}$. The function $P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x)$ satisfies the following relations:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(w(x)(1-x)^2) \frac{d}{dx} P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = -\lambda(\lambda + \alpha + \beta + 1) w(x) P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) \quad (2.2)$$

$$P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(1) = \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\lambda + 1)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}, \quad (2.3)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (1-x)^2 \frac{d}{dx} P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) &= \left(\frac{\lambda(\alpha - \beta)}{2\lambda + \alpha + \beta} - \lambda x \right) P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) \\ &\quad + \frac{2(\lambda + \alpha)(\lambda + \beta)}{2\lambda + \alpha + \beta} P_{\lambda - 1}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x). \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

For a proof of (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4) see [1]. The term $w(x)$ in (2.2) is the weight function $w(x) = (1-x)^{\alpha}(1+x)^{\beta}$ and will be used throughout the paper. Furthermore, it was shown in [1] that for $\lambda \geq -\frac{\alpha + \beta + 1}{2}$ and for any $x \in (-1, 1]$.

$$|P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x)| \leq \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\lambda + 1)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)} + M(\lambda, \alpha, \beta) \log \frac{2}{1+x} \quad (2.5)$$

where $M(\lambda, \alpha, \beta)$ is some constant depending upon λ , α and β ; and for any λ , $\nu \geq -\frac{\alpha + \beta + 1}{2}$, $\lambda \neq \nu$, $\lambda \neq -(\nu + \alpha + \beta + 1)$, $\alpha > -\frac{1}{2}$, $-\frac{1}{2} < \beta < \frac{1}{2}$ we have the relation

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2^{\alpha + \beta + 1}} \int_{-1}^1 w(x) P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) P_{\nu}^{(\beta, \alpha)}(-x) dx \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)\Gamma(\nu + \beta + 1)}{\Gamma(\lambda - \nu)\Gamma(\lambda + \nu + \alpha + \beta + 1)} \left\{ \frac{\sin \pi \lambda}{\Gamma(\nu + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + \beta + 1)} - \frac{\sin \pi \nu}{\Gamma(\lambda + 1)\Gamma(\nu + \alpha + \beta + 1)} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

We shall denote, throughout, the weighted square integrable functions on $(-1,1)$ by $L^2_W(-1,1)$. For $f \in L^2_W(-1,1)$, $\alpha > -\frac{1}{2}$, $-\frac{1}{2} < \beta < \frac{1}{2}$, the continuous Jacobi transform (see [1]) is defined by

$$\hat{f}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2^{\alpha+\beta+1}} \int_{-1}^1 w(x) P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) f(x) dx \quad (2.7)$$

When $\alpha = \beta = 0$, $\hat{f}^{(\alpha, \beta)}$ reduces to the continuous Legendre transform studied in [3] and when $\lambda = n \in P$ (P , the set of non-negative integers), $\hat{f}^{(\alpha, \beta)}$ reduces to the discrete Jacobi transform of Debnath [4].

It was shown in [1] that if $\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} f^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\lambda - \frac{1}{2}) \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^+)$ and if $\alpha + \beta = 0$ then for almost every $x \in (-1,1)$, we obtain the inversion formula

$$f(x) = 4 \int_0^{\infty} \hat{f}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\lambda - \frac{1}{2}) P_{\lambda - \frac{1}{2}}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(-x) H_0(\lambda) \lambda \sin \pi \lambda d\lambda \quad (2.8)$$

where

$$H_0(\lambda) = \frac{\Gamma^2(\lambda + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + \frac{1}{2}) \Gamma(\lambda + \beta + \frac{1}{2})}.$$

Since we needed the condition $\alpha + \beta = 0$ to derive (2.8), we shall, from now on, assume this condition on α and β .

In [2] the second continuous Jacobi transform was studied. For $\lambda^{-\beta + \frac{1}{2}} f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^+)$, it is given by

$$\hat{f}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = 4 \int_0^{\infty} f(\lambda) P_{\lambda - \frac{1}{2}}^{(\beta, \alpha)}(-x) \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\lambda + \beta + \frac{1}{2})} \lambda \sin \pi \lambda d\lambda \quad (2.9)$$

and the associated inversion formula is

$$f(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\lambda + \frac{1}{2})} \int_{-1}^1 w(x) P_{\lambda - \frac{1}{2}}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) \hat{f}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) dx \quad (2.10)$$

The relation between the different transforms (see [2]) is

$$(\hat{f}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\cdot))^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\lambda) = \frac{2\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\lambda + \frac{1}{2})} f(\lambda)$$

and

$$\left(\frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + \frac{1}{2})} \hat{f}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\cdot) \right)^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) = f(x).$$

As an application of (2.9) and (2.10), it was shown in [2] that if $F \in C(\mathbb{R}^+)$ is given by

$$F(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 w(x) f(x) P_{\lambda - \frac{1}{2}}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x) dx$$

for some $\mu > 0$, $f \in L^2_w(-1, 1)$, then for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+$, we have

$$F(\lambda) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(\mu\lambda+\alpha+\frac{1}{2})\sin\pi(\lambda\mu-(n+\frac{1}{2}))}{\pi(\lambda^2\mu^2-(n+\frac{1}{2})^2)\Gamma(n+\alpha+1)\Gamma(\lambda\mu+\frac{1}{2})} F\left(\frac{n+\frac{1}{2}}{\mu}\right). \quad (2.11)$$

We will employ (2.7), (2.8), (2.9) and (2.10) to derive the representation formula of the Jacobi functions. Since $\alpha + \beta = 0$, we shall write $P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, \beta)}(x)$ as $P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)$.

3. Derivation of the Representation Formula. Again, throughout this section we shall assume $\alpha + \beta = 0$, $-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha$, $\beta < \frac{1}{2}$ and $\alpha \neq 0$. The case $\alpha = 0$ reduces to the representation of the Legendre functions and has been developed in [3].

The series representation that we will develop, in this section, for $P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)$ is

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \frac{\sin\pi\lambda}{\pi} \\ &\cdot \left\{ \lambda(\lambda+1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)n!(-1)^n P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)}{n(n+1)(\alpha+1)_n (\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)} + 1 \right. \\ &\left. + \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\alpha+n+1} \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1} \right\}, \quad 0 \leq x < 1, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \frac{\sin\pi\lambda}{\pi} \\ &\left\{ \lambda(\lambda+1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)n!(-1)^n P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)}{n(n+1)(\alpha+1)_n (\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)} + 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} \right. \\ &\left. - \frac{1}{\alpha} + \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^{\alpha} \frac{\pi}{\sin\pi\alpha} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\alpha-n-1} \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^{n+1} \right\}, \quad -1 < x \leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

In order to derive (3.1) and (3.2), we shall first introduce an auxillary function $k(x; h)$, apply (2.7), (2.9) to $k(x; h)$ and utilize the uniqueness of the Jacobi transform.

Lemma 3.1. For $h \in (-1, 1)$, define

$$k(x; h) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\alpha} \left[\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^{\alpha} - \left(\frac{1+h}{1-h}\right)^{\alpha} \right], & h \leq x < 1, \\ 0, & -1 < x \leq h \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x; h)(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(h) \right\}, \quad \lambda \neq 0, \quad \lambda \geq -\frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\alpha} \left\{ 1 - h - \left(\frac{1+h}{1-h} \right)^{\alpha} \int_h^1 \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x} \right)^{\alpha} dx \right\}, \quad \lambda = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. (2.2) together with (2.7) yields for $\lambda \neq 0$ and $\alpha + \beta = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot; h)(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) k(x; h) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ (1-x)^{\alpha+1} (1+x)^{-\alpha+1} \frac{d}{dx} P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) \right\} k(x; h) dx. \end{aligned}$$

On integrating by parts, we obtain

$$\hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot; h)(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} \int_h^1 \frac{d}{dx} P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) dx$$

from which it follows that for $\lambda \neq 0$, $\lambda \geq -\frac{1}{2}$

$$\hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot; h)(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} \{ P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(1) - P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(h) \}$$

Equivalently,

$$\hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot; h)(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(h) \right\}$$

from (2.3).

When $\lambda = 0$, $P_0^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) = 1$. This together with (2.7) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot; h)(0) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} k(x; h) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_h^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} \left\{ \frac{1}{\alpha} \left[\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x} \right)^{\alpha} - \left(\frac{1+h}{1-h} \right)^{\alpha} \right] \right\} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\alpha} \left[1 - h - \left(\frac{1+h}{1-h} \right)^{\alpha} \int_h^1 \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x} \right)^{\alpha} dx \right]. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 3.1.

Since $\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} \hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot, h)(\lambda - \frac{1}{2}) \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^+)$ and since $k(x; h)$ is continuous on $(-1, 1)$, it follows from (2.8) and Lemma 3.1 that for $\lambda \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} k(x; h) &= 4 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\lambda^{2-\frac{1}{2}}} \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\lambda-\alpha+\frac{1}{2})\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - \frac{\Gamma^2(\lambda+\frac{1}{2}) P_{\lambda-\frac{1}{2}}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(h)}{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+\frac{1}{2})\Gamma(\lambda-\alpha+\frac{1}{2})} \right\} \\ &\quad \cdot P_{\lambda-\frac{1}{2}}^{(-\alpha, \alpha)}(-x) \lambda \sin \pi \lambda d\lambda. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

From (2.11) with $\mu = 1$, $\sigma \geq 0$, $h \in (-1, 1)$ and Lemma 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot, h)(\sigma - \tfrac{1}{2}) &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{4}} \left[\frac{\Gamma(\sigma + \alpha + \tfrac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\sigma + \tfrac{1}{2})\Gamma(\alpha + \tfrac{1}{2})} - P_{\sigma - \frac{1}{2}}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(h) \right] \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\sigma + \alpha + \tfrac{1}{2}) \hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot; h)(0) \sin \pi(\sigma - \tfrac{1}{2})}{\pi(\sigma^2 - \tfrac{1}{4})\Gamma(\sigma + \tfrac{1}{2})\Gamma(\alpha + 1)} + \\
&+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(\sigma + \alpha + \tfrac{1}{2}) \sin \pi(\sigma - n - \tfrac{1}{2})}{\pi(\sigma^2 - (n + \tfrac{1}{2})^2)\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)\Gamma(\sigma + \tfrac{1}{2})} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} \cdot \\
&\cdot \left[\frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)n!} - P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

where $\hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot; h)(0)$ is as given in Lemma 3.1. Replacing σ by $\lambda + \frac{1}{2}$ in the above expression together with Lemma 3.1 and the uniqueness of the Jacobi transform imply

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} \left[\frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)} - P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(h) \right] &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1) \sin \pi \lambda \hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x; h)(0)}{\pi(\lambda)(\lambda + 1)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)} + \\
&+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1) \sin \pi(\lambda - n)}{\pi(\lambda - n)(\lambda + n + 1)\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} \left[\frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)n!} - P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(h) &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)} - \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1) \sin \pi \lambda \hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(\cdot, h)(0)}{\pi \Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)} - \\
&- \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda + 1)(2n+1)\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1) \sin \pi(\lambda - n)}{\pi(\lambda - n)(\lambda + n + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)n(n+1)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)} \\
&+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda + 1)(2n+1)n! \Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1) \sin \pi(\lambda - n) P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(h)}{\pi(\lambda - n)(\lambda + n + 1)\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)n(n+1)} \quad (3.4)
\end{aligned}$$

From (2.7) we now have

$$\hat{P}_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(0) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} P_0^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) dx$$

which together with the above expression for $\hat{P}_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(h)$ yields

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{P}_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(0) &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} \left[\frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)} \right. \\
&- \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1) \sin \pi \lambda \hat{k}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x, h)(0)}{\pi \Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)} \\
&- \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)\lambda(\lambda + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1) \sin \pi(\lambda - n)}{\pi(\lambda - n)(\lambda + n + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)n(n+1)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)} \\
&+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)\lambda(\lambda + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1) \sin \pi(\lambda - n) P_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)}{\pi(\lambda - n)(\lambda + n + 1)\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)\Gamma(\lambda + 1)n(2n+1)} \Big] dx
\end{aligned}$$

Using Euler's formula [5]

$$\int_0^x (x-t)^{\alpha} t^{\beta} dt = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(\beta+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta+2)} x^{\alpha+\beta+1}, \quad \alpha, \beta > -1 \quad (3.5)$$

with $\alpha + \beta = 0$, $t = 1 + u$, we obtain

$$\int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} dx = 2\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(1-\alpha).$$

This together with Lemma 3.1 yields

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(0) &= \frac{\Gamma(1-\alpha)\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} - \\ &- \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda+1)(2n+1)\Gamma(1-\alpha)\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)\sin\pi(\lambda-n)}{n(n+1)\pi(\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \\ &- \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)\sin\pi\lambda}{2\pi\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} \frac{1}{2\alpha}(1-x) dx \\ &+ \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)\sin\pi\lambda}{2\pi\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{(1-x)^{\alpha}(1+x)^{-\alpha}(1+x)^{\alpha}(1-x)^{-\alpha}}{2\alpha} \int_x^1 \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^{\alpha} dt dx \\ &+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda+1)(2n+1)n!\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)\sin\pi(\lambda+n)}{\pi(\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)\Gamma(n+\alpha+1)\Gamma(\lambda+1)n(n+1)} \cdot \\ &\cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

The last term in the above expression vanishes by the orthogonality of the Jacobi polynomials; that is,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) dx &= \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha} (1+x)^{-\alpha} P_0^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) dx = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, using (3.5), the third term can be written

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^{\alpha+1} (1+x)^{\alpha} dx = \Gamma(\alpha+2)\Gamma(1-\alpha).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}_{\lambda}^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(0) &= \frac{\Gamma(1-\alpha)\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)} \\ &- \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda+1)(2n+1)\Gamma(1-\alpha)\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)\sin\pi(\lambda-n)}{n(n+1)\pi(\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)\Gamma(\lambda+1)} - \\ &- \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)\sin\pi\lambda}{2\pi\Gamma(\lambda+1)\Gamma(\alpha+1)\alpha} \Gamma(\alpha+2)\Gamma(1-\alpha) + \\ &+ \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)\sin\pi\lambda}{4\pi\Gamma(\lambda+1)\Gamma(\alpha+1)\alpha} \int_{-1}^1 \int_x^1 \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^{\alpha} dt dx. \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

From (2.6), (2.7) and the identity $p_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(-x) = (-1)^n p_n^{(\beta, \alpha)}(x)$, it follows that

$$\hat{p}_\lambda^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(0) = \frac{\Gamma(\lambda + \alpha + 1) \Gamma(1 - \alpha) \sin \pi \lambda}{\pi \lambda (\lambda + 1) \Gamma(\lambda + 1)}, \quad \lambda \neq 0, \quad \lambda \geq -\frac{1}{2} \quad (3.7)$$

Hence by the uniqueness of the Jacobi transform, we have from (3.6) and (3.7),

$$1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda(\lambda+1)(2n+1) \sin \pi(\lambda-n)}{n(n+1) \pi(\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)} - \frac{\alpha+1}{2\alpha} \frac{\sin \pi \lambda}{\pi} +$$

$$+ \frac{\sin \pi \lambda}{4\pi \alpha \Gamma(1+\alpha) \Gamma(1-\alpha)} \int_{-1}^1 \int_x^1 \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^\alpha dt = \frac{\sin \pi \lambda}{\pi \lambda (\lambda+1)}$$

Now (3.4) can be expressed as

$$\frac{\Gamma(\lambda+1) \lambda(\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)} p_\lambda^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) =$$

$$= \lambda(\lambda+1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)n! \sin \pi(\lambda-n) p_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)}{n(n+1)(\alpha+1) \pi(\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)} +$$

$$+ \frac{\sin \pi \lambda}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 \int_x^1 (1-t)^\alpha (1+t)^{-\alpha} dt dx}{4\alpha \Gamma(\alpha+1) \Gamma(1-\alpha)} + \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{x}{2\alpha} + \frac{1}{2\alpha} \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^\alpha \int_x^1 \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^\alpha dt \right].$$

By interchanging the order of integration and by (3.5) we obtain

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_x^1 (1-t)^\alpha (1+t)^{-\alpha} dt dx = 2\Gamma(1+\alpha) \Gamma(2-\alpha)$$

Thus,

$$\frac{\Gamma(\lambda+1) \Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)} p_\lambda^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) =$$

$$= \lambda(\lambda+1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)n! (-1)^n \sin \pi \lambda p_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)}{n(n+1)(\alpha+1) \pi(\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)}$$

$$+ \frac{\sin \pi \lambda}{\pi} \left[1 + \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} - \frac{1}{2\alpha} + \frac{x}{2\alpha} + \frac{1}{2\alpha} \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^\alpha \int_x^1 \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^\alpha dt \right]. \quad (3.8)$$

The series representation of the Jacobi function $p_\lambda^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)$ will be completed once we obtain an equivalent expression for the integral.

$$f(x; \alpha) = \int_x^1 \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^\alpha dt.$$

Lemma 3.2. For $-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$, ($\alpha \neq 0$), we have

$$a) \quad f(x; \alpha) = \frac{(1-x)^{\alpha+1}}{(1+x)^\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha}{1+x} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\alpha+n+1} \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)^n\right), \quad 0 \leq x < 1$$

$$b) \quad f(x; \alpha) = \frac{2\pi\alpha}{\sin\pi\alpha} - \frac{(1-x)^\alpha}{(1+x)^{\alpha-1}} \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha}{1-x} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\alpha-n-1} \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^n\right), \quad -1 < x < 0$$

Proof: a) Integration by parts yields the recursive relation

$$f(x; \alpha) = \frac{1}{\alpha+1} \frac{(1-x)^{\alpha+1}}{(1+x)^\alpha} - \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+1} f(x; \alpha+1).$$

By employing this relation and after simplification, we obtain

$$f(x; \alpha) = \frac{(1-x)^{\alpha+1}}{(1+x)^\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha}{1+x} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+\alpha+1} \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)^n\right)$$

The series converges for all x such that $|\frac{1-x}{1+x}| < 1$; that is, if $0 \leq x < 1$. When $x=0$,

$$f(0; \alpha) = 1 - 2\alpha \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+\alpha+1}.$$

b) We rewrite $f(x; \alpha)$ as

$$f(x; \alpha) = \int_x^0 \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^\alpha dt + \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^\alpha dt = J(x; \alpha) + f(0, \alpha), \text{ say.}$$

By introducing

$$J^*(x; \alpha) = \int_{-1}^x \left(\frac{1-t}{1+t}\right)^\alpha dt$$

$J(x; \alpha)$ can be written as

$$J(x; \alpha) = J^*(0; \alpha) - J^*(x; \alpha).$$

Upon an integration by parts, we obtain

$$J^*(x; \alpha) = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \frac{(1-x)^\alpha}{(1+x)^{\alpha-1}} + \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} J^*(x; \alpha-1)$$

Repeating the above formula, recursively, results in the series.

$$J^*(x; \alpha) = \frac{(1-x)^\alpha}{(1+x)^{\alpha-1}} \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha}{1-x} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\alpha-n-1} \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^n\right)$$

which converges for all x such that $|\frac{1+x}{1-x}| < 1$; that is, for $-1 < x < 0$.

When $x=0$,

$$J^*(0; \alpha) = 1 - 2\alpha \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\alpha-n-1}.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x; \alpha) &= J^*(0, \alpha) + f(0, \alpha) - J^*(x; \alpha) \\ &= \frac{2\pi\alpha}{\sin\pi\alpha} - \frac{(1-x)^\alpha}{(1+x)^{\alpha-1}} \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha}{1-x} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\alpha-n-1} \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^n\right) \end{aligned}$$

which completes the verification of Lemma 3.2.

From (3.8) and Lemma 3.2, the representation of the Jacobi function $P_\lambda^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)$ will follow. In particular, for $\lambda \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ ($\lambda \neq 0$)

$$\begin{aligned} P_\lambda^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \frac{\sin\pi\lambda}{\pi} \{\lambda(\lambda+1) \cdot \\ &\cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)n!(-1)^n P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)}{n(n+1)(\alpha+1)_n (\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)} + 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} - \\ &- \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n+\alpha+1} \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)^{n+1}\}, \quad 0 \leq x < 1; \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P_\lambda^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x) &= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\lambda+1)\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \frac{\sin\pi\lambda}{\pi} \{\lambda(\lambda+1) \cdot \\ &\cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2n+1)n!(-1)^n P_n^{(\alpha, -\alpha)}(x)}{n(n+1)(\alpha+1)_n (\lambda-n)(\lambda+n+1)} + 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda(\lambda+1)} - \frac{1}{\alpha} + \\ &+ \frac{(1+x)^\alpha}{(1-x)^\alpha} \frac{\pi}{\sin\pi\alpha} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{\alpha-n-1} \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^{n+1}\}, \quad -1 < x < 0. \end{aligned}$$

The above representations will hold for $\lambda = 0$ provided that $\frac{\sin\pi\lambda}{\pi\lambda}$ is interpreted to be equal to 1 for $\lambda = 0$. When $\alpha = 0$, the formula reduces to that for Legendre functions derived in [3], provided that $-\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{(1+x)^\alpha}{(1-x)^\alpha} \frac{\pi}{\sin\pi\alpha}$ is given its limiting value of 0 as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$.

REFERENCES

- [1] Deeba, E.Y. and E.L. Koh, The continuous Jacobi transform, Internat. J. Math and Math. Sci. Vol. 6, No. 1 (1983), 145-160.
- [2] Deeba, E.Y. and E.L. Koh, The second continuous Jacobi transform, Internat. J. Math and Math Sci. (to appear).
- [3] Butzer, P.L., R.L. Stens and M. Wehrens, The continuous Legendre transform, its inverse transform and applications, Internat. J. Math and Math Sc. Vol. 3, No. 1 (1980), 47-67.

- [4] Debnath, L., On Jacobi transform, Bull. Calc. Math. Soc., Vol. 55 (1963), 113-120.
- [5] Luke, Y.L., The Special Functions and Their Applications, Vol. I, Academic Press, New York, 1969.
- [6] Erdelyi, A., W. Magnus, F. Oberhettinger and F.G. Tricomi, Higher Transcendental Functions, Vol. 1, McGraw Hill, New York, 1953.