

**ON THE NATURAL  $q^2$ -ANALOGUE OF THE GENERALIZED  
 GEGENBAUER FORM**

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ABSTRACT. The aim of this paper is to highlight a  $q^2$ -analogue of the generalized Gegenbauer polynomials orthogonal with respect to the form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$ . Integral representation and discrete measure of  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  are given for some values of parameters.

1. INTRODUCTION

The generalized Gegenbauer orthogonal polynomials is the one of monic orthogonal polynomials sequences which appear in many applications like the weighted  $L^p$  mean convergence of Hermite-Fejér interpolation, the Clifford analysis and the Lie algebra  $A_2$  [5, 14, 15]. The generalized Gegenbauer orthogonal polynomials is in connection with the Dunkl-classical character [3].

Denoting by  $\{S_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  the (MOPS) of the generalized Gegenbauer polynomials and let  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta)$  be its corresponding regular form. The (MOPS)  $\{S_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  satisfies the three-term recurrence relation (see (8) below) [4]

$$\begin{cases} \beta_n = 0, \\ \gamma_{2n+1} = \frac{(n + \beta + 1)(n + \alpha + \beta + 1)}{(2n + \alpha + \beta + 1)(2n + \alpha + \beta + 2)}, \quad n \geq 0, \\ \gamma_{2n+2} = \frac{(n + 1)(n + \alpha + 1)}{(2n + \alpha + \beta + 2)(2n + \alpha + \beta + 3)}, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

with the positive-definite case occurring for  $\alpha > -1, \beta > -1$ .

In [1], the authors proved that the generalized Gegenbauer form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta)$  is  $D$ -semiclassical of class one satisfying the functional equation

$$D(x(x^2 - 1)\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta)) + \left\{ -2(\alpha + \beta + 2)x^2 + 2(\beta + 1) \right\} \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta) = 0 \quad (2)$$

for  $\alpha \neq -n - 1, \beta \neq -n - 1, \beta \neq -\frac{1}{2}, \alpha + \beta \neq -n - 1, n \geq 0$  from which they recovered an integral representation and derived the moments of  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta)$  for all  $f \in \mathcal{P}, \Re\alpha > -1, \Re\beta > -1$

$$\langle \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta), f \rangle = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + 2)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)\Gamma(\beta + 1)} \int_{-1}^{+1} (1 - x^2)^\alpha |x|^{2\beta+1} f(x) dx, \quad (3)$$

$$(\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta))_{2n} = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + 2)\Gamma(n + \beta + 1)}{\Gamma(\beta + 1)\Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta + 2)}, \quad (\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta))_{2n+1} = 0, \quad n \geq 0. \quad (4)$$

For other characterizations of the generalized Gegenbauer polynomials as a consequence of its  $D$ -semiclassical character see [2]. To enrich the quantum calculus it is interesting to build some  $q$ -analogous of the generalized Gegenbauer polynomials. In fact, the problem

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of defining  $q$ -analogous of symmetrical (MOPS) has been the interest of some authors from different point of views [4, 6, 7, 13].

In [7], the classification of the symmetric  $H_q$ -semiclassical orthogonal  $q$ -polynomials of class one is given where  $H_q$  is the  $q$ -difference operator. Among the obtained canonical situations we get the natural  $q^2$ -analogue of the generalized Gegenbauer polynomials  $\{S_n(\cdot, q^2)\}_{n \geq 0}$  orthogonal with respect to the form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  for  $\alpha + \beta \neq \frac{3-2q^2}{q^2-1}$ ,  $\alpha + \beta \neq -[n]_{q^2} - 2$ ,  $\beta \neq -[n]_{q^2} - 1$ ,  $\alpha + \beta + 2 - (\beta + 1)q^{2n} + [n]_{q^2} \neq 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$  and having the recurrence coefficients

$$\begin{cases} \beta_n = 0, \\ \gamma_{2n+1} = q^{2n} \frac{(\alpha + \beta + 2 + [n-1]_{q^2})(\beta + 1 + [n]_{q^2})}{(\alpha + \beta + 2 + [2n-1]_{q^2})(\alpha + \beta + 2 + [2n]_{q^2})}, \\ \gamma_{2n+2} = q^{2n} [n+1]_{q^2} \frac{\alpha + \beta + 2 - (\beta + 1)q^{2n} + [n]_{q^2}}{(\alpha + \beta + 2 + [2n]_{q^2})(\alpha + \beta + 2 + [2n+1]_{q^2})}, \end{cases} \quad n \geq 0, \quad (5)$$

where

$$[n]_q := \frac{q^n - 1}{q - 1}, \quad q \neq 1, \quad n \geq 0. \quad (6)$$

Also in that work it is showed that the form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  is  $H_q$ -semiclassical of class one for  $\alpha + \beta \neq \frac{3-2q^2}{q^2-1}$ ,  $\alpha + \beta \neq -[n]_{q^2} - 2$ ,  $\beta \neq -[n]_{q^2} - 1$ ,  $\alpha + \beta + 2 - (\beta + 1)q^{2n} + [n]_{q^2} \neq 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$ ,  $\beta \neq \frac{1}{q(q+1)} - 1$  satisfying the  $q$ -distributional equation

$$H_q \left( (x^2 - 1)\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2) \right) - (q+1) \left( (\alpha + \beta + 2)x^2 - (\beta + 1) \right) \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2) = 0. \quad (7)$$

When  $q \rightarrow 1$  in (5) and (7) we recover (1)-(2) since  $[n]_q$  tends to  $n$  and  $H_q$  tends to  $D$ . So the aim of our contribution is to highlight the moments, integral representation and discrete measure for  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  when it is possible.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the vector space of polynomials with coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}$  and let  $\mathcal{P}'$  be its dual. We denote by  $\langle u, f \rangle$  the effect of a form  $u \in \mathcal{P}'$  (linear functional) on  $f \in \mathcal{P}$ . In particular, we denote by  $(u)_n := \langle u, x^n \rangle$ ,  $n \geq 0$  the moments of  $u$ . Let  $\{P_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  be a sequence of monic polynomials with  $\deg P_n = n$ ,  $n \geq 0$ . The sequence  $\{P_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  is called orthogonal (MOPS) if we can associate with it a form  $u$  ( $(u)_0 = 1$ ) and a sequence of numbers  $\{r_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  ( $r_n \neq 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$ ) such that

$$\langle u, P_m P_n \rangle = r_n \delta_{n,m}, \quad n, m \geq 0$$

and the form  $u$  is then said regular. The (MOPS)  $\{P_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  fulfils the three-term recurrence relation

$$\begin{cases} P_0(x) = 1, \quad P_1(x) = x - \beta_0, \\ P_{n+2}(x) = (x - \beta_{n+1})P_{n+1}(x) - \gamma_{n+1}P_n(x), \quad n \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

where

$$\beta_n = \frac{\langle u, x P_n^2 \rangle}{r_n}; \quad \gamma_{n+1} = \frac{r_{n+1}}{r_n} \neq 0, \quad n \geq 0.$$

The regular form  $u$  is positive definite if and only if  $\forall n \geq 0$ ,  $\beta_n \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\gamma_{n+1} > 0$ . Also, its corresponding (MOPS)  $\{P_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  is symmetric if and only if  $\beta_n = 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$  or equivalently  $(u)_{2n+1} = 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$ .

Let us introduce some useful operations in  $\mathcal{P}'$ . For any form  $u$ , any  $a \in \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$ , any  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  and any  $q \neq 1$ , we let  $Du = u'$ ,  $h_a u$ ,  $(x - c)^{-1}u$  and  $H_q u$ , be the forms defined by duality [11, 12]

$$\langle u', f \rangle := -\langle u, f' \rangle, \quad \langle h_a u, f \rangle := \langle u, h_a f \rangle, \quad \langle (x - c)^{-1}u, f \rangle := \langle u, \theta_c f \rangle,$$

and

$$\langle H_q u, f \rangle := -\langle u, H_q f \rangle,$$

for all  $f \in \mathcal{P}$  where

$$(h_a f)(x) = f(ax), \quad (\theta_c f)(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(c)}{x - c}, \quad (H_q f)(x) = \frac{f(qx) - f(x)}{(q - 1)x} \quad [8].$$

We will usually suppose that  $q \in \tilde{\mathbb{C}} := \mathbb{C} - \left( \{0\} \cup \left( \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \{z \in \mathbb{C}, z^n = 1\} \right) \right)$ . When  $q \rightarrow 1$ , we again meet the derivative  $D$ .

A form  $u$  is called  $H_q$ -semiclassical when it is regular and there exist two polynomials  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$ ,  $\Phi$  monic,  $\deg \Phi = t \geq 0$ ,  $\deg \Psi = p \geq 1$  such that

$$H_q(\Phi u) + \Psi u = 0 \quad (9)$$

the corresponding orthogonal sequence  $\{P_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  is called  $H_q$ -semiclassical [9]. The  $H_q$ -semiclassical form  $u$  is said to be of class  $s = \max(p - 1, t - 2) \geq 0$  if and only if [10]

$$\prod_{c \in \mathcal{Z}_\Phi} \{|q(h_q \Psi)(c) + (H_q \Phi)(c)| + |\langle u, q(\theta_{cq} \Psi) + (\theta_{cq} \circ \theta_c \Phi) \rangle|\} > 0, \quad (10)$$

where  $\mathcal{Z}_\Phi$  is the set of zeros of  $\Phi$ .

**Remark 1.** When  $q \rightarrow 1$  in (9)-(10) we meet the  $D$ -semiclassical character [11, 12].

Regarding integral representations through weight-functions for a  $H_q$ -semiclassical form  $u$  satisfying (9), we look for a function  $U$  such that

$$\langle u, f \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} U(x) f(x) dx, \quad f \in \mathcal{P}, \quad (11)$$

where we suppose that  $U$  is regular as far as necessary. On account of (9), we get [9]

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \{q^{-1}(H_{q^{-1}}(\Phi U))(x) + \Psi(x)U(x)\} f(x) dx = 0, \quad f \in \mathcal{P},$$

with the additional condition [9]

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow +0} \int_{\epsilon}^1 \frac{U(x) - U(-x)}{x} dx \quad (12)$$

exists or is continuous at the origin. Therefore

$$q^{-1}(H_{q^{-1}}(\Phi U))(x) + \Psi(x)U(x) = \lambda g(x), \quad (13)$$

where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $g$  is a locally integrable function with rapid decay representing the null form. For instance

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq 0, \\ e^{-x^{\frac{1}{4}}} \sin x^{\frac{1}{4}}, & x > 0, \end{cases}$$

was given by Stieltjes [16]. When  $\lambda = 0$ , the equation (13) becomes

$$\Phi(q^{-1}x)U(q^{-1}x) = \{\Phi(x) + (q - 1)x\Psi(x)\}U(x),$$

so that, if  $q > 1$ , we have

$$U(q^{-1}x) = \frac{\Phi(x) + (q-1)x\Psi(x)}{\Phi(q^{-1}x)}U(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (14)$$

and if  $0 < q < 1$ , with  $x \rightarrow qx$ , we have

$$U(qx) = \frac{\Phi(x)}{\Phi(qx) + (q-1)qx\Psi(qx)}U(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (15)$$

Lastly, let us recall the following standard expressions needed to the  $q$ -calculus in the sequel [6, 9]

$$(a; q)_0 := 1; \quad (a; q)_n := \prod_{k=1}^n (1 - aq^{k-1}), \quad n \geq 1, \quad (16)$$

$$(a; q)_\infty := \prod_{k=0}^{+\infty} (1 - aq^k), \quad |q| < 1, \quad (17)$$

$$(a; q)_n = \frac{(a; q)_\infty}{(aq^n; q)_\infty}, \quad 0 < q < 1. \quad (18)$$

$$(a; q)_n = (-1)^n a^n (a^{-1}; q^{-1})_n q^{\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)}, \quad n \geq 0, \quad (19)$$

the  $q$ -binomial theorem

$$\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(a; q)_k}{(q; q)_k} z^k = \frac{(az; q)_\infty}{(z; q)_\infty}, \quad |z| < 1, \quad |q| < 1, \quad (20)$$

the  $q$ -analogue of the exponential function

$$\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{q^{\frac{1}{2}k(k-1)}}{(q; q)_k} z^k = (-z; q)_\infty, \quad |q| < 1. \quad (21)$$

### 3. MOMENTS, DISCRETE MEASURE AND INTEGRAL REPRESENTATION OF $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$

Firstly, let us state this technical lemma needed to the sequel and is easy to establish:

**Lemma 1.** *Let*

$$\xi_\mu(q) = 1 + (\mu + 1)(1 - q^2), \quad q > 0, \quad \mu > -1, \quad (22)$$

and

$$q_{(\mu, \omega)} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{\omega}{\mu + 1}}, \quad \mu > -1, \quad \omega > -\mu - 1. \quad (23)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_\mu(q) = 1 &\iff q = 1, \quad \xi_\mu(q) = 0 \iff q = q_{(\mu, 1)}, \quad \xi_\mu(q) = -1 \iff q = q_{(\mu, 2)}, \\ \xi_\mu(q) < -1 &\iff q \in ]q_{(\mu, 2)}, +\infty[, \quad -1 < \xi_\mu(q) < 0 \iff q \in ]q_{(\mu, 1)}, q_{(\mu, 2)}[, \\ 0 < \xi_\mu(q) < 1 &\iff q \in ]1, q_{(\mu, 1)}[, \quad \xi_\mu(q) > 1 \iff q \in ]0, 1[. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Secondly, from (5) and according to the lemma 1, the natural  $q^2$ -analogue of the generalized Gegenbauer orthogonal polynomials is positive definite for  $0 < q < 1$ ,  $\alpha > -1$ ,  $\beta > -1$  or  $1 < q < q_{(\beta, 1)}$ ,  $\alpha > -1$ ,  $\beta > -1$ .

Thirdly, from the  $H_q$ -semiclassical of class one conditions  $\alpha + \beta \neq \frac{3-2q^2}{q^2-1}$ ,  $\alpha + \beta \neq -[n]_{q^2} - 2$ ,  $\beta \neq -[n]_{q^2} - 1$ ,  $\alpha + \beta + 2 - (\beta + 1)q^{2n} + [n]_{q^2} \neq 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$ ,  $\beta \neq \frac{1}{q(q+1)} - 1$  concerning the form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  and by virtue of the lemma 1 another time we get

$$\begin{cases} \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q) \neq 0, \quad \xi_\beta(q) \neq q^{-1}, \\ \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q) \neq q^{2n}, \quad \xi_\beta(q) \neq q^{2n}, \quad \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q) \neq q^{2n}\xi_\beta(q), \quad n \geq 0. \end{cases} \quad (25)$$

Now, we are able to highlight discrete measure and integral representations of  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  in the positive definite case and for some values of parameters.

**Proposition 1.** *The form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  has the following properties.*

(1) *The moments of  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  are*

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2))_{2n+1} &= 0, & n \geq 0, \\ (\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2))_0 &= 1, (\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2))_{2n} = \frac{\prod_{k=1}^n (q^{2k-2} - \xi_\beta(q))}{\prod_{k=1}^n (q^{2k-2} - \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q))}, & n \geq 1. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

(2) *For all  $\alpha > -1$ ,  $\beta > -1$  and  $0 < q < 1$ , the form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  has the discrete measure*

$$\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2) = \frac{((\xi_\beta(q))^{-1}; q^2)_\infty}{((\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q))^{-1}; q^2)_\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \Delta_k \left( \delta_{q^k \sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}} + \delta_{-q^k \sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}} \right) \quad (27)$$

where

$$\Delta_k = \frac{(\xi_\beta(q))^{-k}}{2} \sum_{l=0}^k \frac{q^{l^2}}{(q^2; q^2)_l (q^2; q^2)_{k-l}} \left( -\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{q \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)} \right)^l, \quad k \geq 0. \quad (28)$$

(3) *For all  $\alpha > -1$ ,  $\beta > -1$  and  $1 < q < q_{(\beta,1)}$ , the form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  has the discrete measure*

$$\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2) = \frac{(\xi_\beta(q); q^{-2})_\infty}{(\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q); q^{-2})_\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \Lambda_k (\delta_{-q^{-k}} + \delta_{q^{-k}}) \quad (29)$$

where

$$\Lambda_k = \frac{(\xi_\beta(q))^k}{2} \sum_{l=0}^k \frac{q^{-l^2}}{(q^{-2}; q^{-2})_l (q^{-2}; q^{-2})_{k-l}} \left( -\frac{q \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} \right)^l, \quad k \geq 0. \quad (30)$$

*Proof.* For (1), equivalently with (7), we have

$$\langle H_q(x(x^2 - 1)\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)) - (q+1)((\alpha + \beta + 2)x^2 - (\beta + 1))\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2), x^n \rangle = 0, \quad n \geq 0.$$

Consequently, according to the symmetric character of this form and the definition in (22), this yields the recurrence relation

$$\begin{cases} (\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2))_0 = 1; (\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2))_1 = 0, \\ (q^n - \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)) (\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2))_{n+2} = (q^n - \xi_\beta(q)) (\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2))_n, \quad n \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Thus the desired result (26) since the properties in (25).

To establish (27) and (29), by virtue of (24)-(25) and (16)-(19) we may write the moment of index even in (26) as follows: for all  $n \geq 0$

$$(\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2))_{2n} = \begin{cases} \left( \frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)} \right)^n \frac{((\xi_\beta(q))^{-1}; q^2)_\infty}{((\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q))^{-1}; q^2)_\infty} \frac{((\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q))^{-1} q^{2n}; q^2)_\infty}{((\xi_\beta(q))^{-1} q^{2n}; q^2)_\infty}, & 0 < q < 1, \\ \frac{(\xi_\beta(q); q^{-2})_\infty}{(\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q); q^{-2})_\infty} \frac{(\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q) q^{-2n}; q^{-2})_\infty}{(\xi_\beta(q) q^{-2n}; q^{-2})_\infty}, & q > 1. \end{cases} \quad (31)$$

But, by the  $q$ -binomial theorem (20), the  $q$ -analogue of the exponential function (21), the two latest properties in (24) and since

$$\forall n \geq 0, \forall q \in ]0, 1[, 0 < q^{2n} (\xi_\beta(q))^{-1} < 1; \forall n \geq 0, \forall q \in ]1, q_{(\beta,1)}[, 0 < q^{-2n} \xi_\beta(q) < 1,$$

the equality in (31) yields to

$$\begin{aligned} c\langle \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2), x^{2n} \rangle &= \left( \frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)} \right)^n \frac{((\xi_\beta(q))^{-1}; q^2)_\infty}{((\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q))^{-1}; q^2)_\infty} \\ &\times \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(\xi_\beta(q))^{-k} q^{2nk}}{(q^2; q^2)_k} \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^k q^{k(k-1)} (\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q))^{-k} q^{2nk}}{(q^2; q^2)_k}, \quad 0 < q < 1, \quad n \geq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2), x^{2n} \rangle &= \frac{(\xi_\beta(q); q^{-2})_\infty}{(\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q); q^{-2})_\infty} \\ &\times \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^k q^{-k(k-1)} (\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q))^k q^{-2nk}}{(q^{-2}; q^{-2})_k} \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(\xi_\beta(q))^k q^{-2nk}}{(q^{-2}; q^{-2})_k}, \quad 1 < q < q_{(\beta,1)}, \quad n \geq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Using the Cauchy product between the two power series in (32) since and those in (33), according to the definitions in (28) and (30) we get successively for all  $n \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2), x^{2n} \rangle &= 2 \frac{((\xi_\beta(q))^{-1}; q^2)_\infty}{((\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q))^{-1}; q^2)_\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \Delta_k \left( q^k \sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}} \right)^{2n}, \quad 0 < q < 1, \\ \langle \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2), x^{2n} \rangle &= 2 \frac{(\xi_\beta(q); q^{-2})_\infty}{(\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q); q^{-2})_\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \Lambda_k (q^{-k})^{2n}, \quad 1 < q < q_{(\beta,1)}. \end{aligned}$$

By the fact that the form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  is symmetric we obtain the desired results (27) and (29). Thus, the points (2)-(3) are proved.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.** *The form  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$  has the following integral representations.*

(1) For  $-1 < \alpha < 0$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $0 < q < 1$  and for all  $f \in \mathcal{P}$

$$\langle \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2), f \rangle = K_1 \int_{-1}^{+1} |x|^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} \frac{\left( \frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2; q^2 \right)_\infty}{(x^2; q^2)_\infty} \left| \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{\ln |x|}{\ln q} \right) \right| f(x) dx, \quad (34)$$

where

$$K_1^{-1} = 2 \int_0^{+1} x^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} \frac{\left( \frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2; q^2 \right)_\infty}{(x^2; q^2)_\infty} \left| \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{\ln |x|}{\ln q} \right) \right| dx. \quad (35)$$

(2) For  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, -\alpha)} < q < 1$  and for all  $f \in \mathcal{P}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2), f \rangle &= K_2 \int_{-\sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}}^{+\sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}} |x|^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} \frac{\left( \frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2; q^2 \right)_\infty}{(x^2; q^2)_\infty} f(x) dx, \quad (36) \\ &\quad - \sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$K_2^{-1} = 2 \int_0^{+\sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}} x^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} \frac{\left( \frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2; q^2 \right)_\infty}{(x^2; q^2)_\infty} dx. \quad (37)$$

(3) For  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $1 < q < q_{(\alpha+\beta+1,1)}$  and for all  $f \in \mathcal{P}$

$$\langle \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2), f \rangle = K_3 \int_{-q}^q |x|^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} \frac{(q^{-2}x^2; q^{-2})_\infty}{\left(\frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)}x^2; q^{-2}\right)_\infty} f(x) dx, \quad (38)$$

where

$$K_3^{-1} = 2 \int_0^q x^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} \frac{(q^{-2}x^2; q^{-2})_\infty}{\left(\frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)}x^2; q^{-2}\right)_\infty} dx. \quad (39)$$

(4) For  $-1 < \alpha < 0$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $1 < q < q_{(\alpha+\beta+1,1)}$  and for all  $f \in \mathcal{P}$

$$\langle \mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2), f \rangle = K_4$$

$$\times \int_{-\sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}}^{\sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}} |x|^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} \frac{(q^{-2}x^2; q^{-2})_\infty}{\left(\frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)}x^2; q^{-2}\right)_\infty} \left| \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{\ln \left| \frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x \right|}{\ln q^{-1}} \right) \right| f(x) dx, \quad (40)$$

where

$$K_4^{-1} = 2 \int_0^{\sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}} x^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} \frac{(q^{-2}x^2; q^{-2})_\infty}{\left(\frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)}x^2; q^{-2}\right)_\infty} \left| \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{\ln \left| \frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x \right|}{\ln q^{-1}} \right) \right| dx. \quad (41)$$

*Proof.* To establish the integral representations in (1)-(4) and by virtue of (11), we look for a function  $U$  representing  $\mathcal{G}(\alpha, \beta, q^2)$ . It is seen from the  $q$ -distributional equation (7) that

$$\Phi(x) = x(x^2 - 1); \quad \Psi(x) = -(q+1)((\alpha + \beta + 2)x^2 - (\beta + 1)). \quad (42)$$

For (1)-(2), according to (11), (42) and (22), the  $q$ -difference equation (15) becomes

$$U(qx) = (q\xi_\beta(q))^{-1} \frac{1 - x^2}{1 - \frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2} U(x). \quad (43)$$

But, taking  $\alpha > -1$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $0 < q < 1$ , and using (23)-(24) it is quite straightforward to get the following equivalences

$$0 < \frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)} < 1 \iff q > q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, -\alpha)}, \quad (44)$$

$$0 < q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, -\alpha)} < 1 \iff \alpha \geq 0, \quad (45)$$

and

$$q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, -\alpha)} > 1 \iff \alpha < 0. \quad (46)$$

Consequently, if  $-1 < \alpha < 0$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $0 < q < 1$  we seek  $U$  as

$$U(x) = \begin{cases} V(x) \frac{\left(\frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2; q^2\right)_\infty}{(x^2; q^2)_\infty} & , \quad |x| < 1, \\ 0 & , \quad |x| \geq 1. \end{cases} \quad (47)$$

Replacing in (43) this leads to  $V(qx) = (q\xi_\beta(q))^{-1} V(x)$ , therefore

$$V(x) = |x|^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} W(x)$$

with  $W(qx) = W(x)$ . Taking into account (47) we choose

$$W(x) = K_1 \left| \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{\ln |x|}{\ln q} \right) \right|.$$

Thus, for  $0 < |x| < \frac{1}{2}$  we have

$$0 \leq U(x) \leq K_1 |x|^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1} \frac{\left( \frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2; q^2 \right)_\infty}{(x^2; q^2)_\infty} \underset{x \rightarrow 0}{\sim} \frac{K_1}{|x|^{\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} + 1}}, \quad \frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} + 1 < 1,$$

and

$$U(x) \underset{|x| \rightarrow 1}{\sim} \frac{2\pi K_1 \left( \frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)}; q^2 \right)_\infty |\ln |x||}{|\ln q| \prod_{k=1}^{+\infty} (1 - q^{2k})} \frac{1}{1 - x^2} \underset{|x| \rightarrow 1}{\rightarrow} \frac{\pi K_1 \left( \frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)}; q^2 \right)_\infty}{|\ln q| \prod_{k=1}^{+\infty} (1 - q^{2k})}.$$

It follows the result in (34) with (35) since the first condition in (12) is valid.

Also, if  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, -\alpha)} < q < 1$  we seek  $U$  as

$$U(x) = \begin{cases} V(x) \frac{\left( \frac{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2; q^2 \right)_\infty}{(x^2; q^2)_\infty} & , \quad |x| \leq \sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}, \\ 0 & , \quad |x| > \sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{q^2 \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}. \end{cases}$$

Replacing in (43) this leads to  $V(qx) = (q\xi_\beta(q))^{-1}V(x)$ , therefore

$$V(x) = K_2 |x|^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1}.$$

It follows the result in (36) with (37) since the first condition in (12) is valid.

From the hypothesis of (3)-(4), we have  $\alpha > -1$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $1 < q < q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, 1)}$ . By virtue of (11), (42) and (22), the  $q$ -difference equation (14) becomes

$$U(q^{-1}x) = q\xi_\beta(q) \frac{1 - \frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2}{1 - q^{-2}x^2} U(x). \quad (48)$$

According to (24) and (45)-(46) we have

$$0 < \xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q) < \xi_\beta(q) < 1, \quad 1 < q < \min(q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, 1)}, q_{(\beta, 1)}) = q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, 1)},$$

$$\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)} > q^2 \iff q > q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, -\alpha)}.$$

Consequently, if  $\alpha \geq 0$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $1 < q < q_{(\alpha+\beta+1, 1)}$  we seek  $U$  as

$$U(x) = \begin{cases} V(x) \frac{(q^{-2}x^2; q^{-2})_\infty}{\left( \frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x^2; q^{-2} \right)_\infty} & , \quad |x| \leq q, \\ 0 & , \quad |x| > q. \end{cases}$$

Replacing in (48) this leads to  $V(qx) = q\xi_\beta(q)V(x)$ , therefore

$$V(x) = K_3 |x|^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q} - 1}.$$

It follows the result in (38) with (39) since the first condition in (12) is valid.



Moreover, if  $-1 < \alpha < 0$ ,  $\beta > -1$ ,  $1 < q < \min(q_{(\alpha+\beta+1,-\alpha)}, q_{(\alpha+\beta+1,1)}) = q_{(\alpha+\beta+1,1)}$  we seek  $U$  as

$$U(x) = \begin{cases} V(x) \frac{(q^{-2}x^2; q^{-2})_\infty}{\left(\frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)}x^2; q^{-2}\right)_\infty} & , \quad |x| < \sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}, \\ 0 & , \quad |x| \geq \sqrt{\frac{\xi_\beta(q)}{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}}. \end{cases} \quad (49)$$

Replacing in (48) this leads to  $V(qx) = q\xi_\beta(q)V(x)$ , therefore

$$V(x) = |x|^{-\frac{\ln \xi_\beta(q)}{\ln q}} W(x),$$

with  $W(q^{-1}x) = W(x)$ . According to (49), one may choose

$$W(x) = K_4 \left| \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{\ln \left| \frac{\xi_{\alpha+\beta+1}(q)}{\xi_\beta(q)} x \right|}{\ln q^{-1}} \right) \right|.$$

It follows the result in (40) with (41) since the first condition in (12) is valid and by a similar reasoning likewise in (1). □

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