

# A Study of the S-Generalized Gauss Hypergeometric Function and Its Associated Integral Transforms

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**Abstract** The aim of the present paper is to further investigate the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function which was recently introduced by Srivastava et al. [8]. In the course of our study, we first present an integral representation, the Mellin transform and a complex integral representation of the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function. Next, we introduce a new integral transform whose kernel is the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function and point out its three special cases which are also believed to be new. We specify that the well-known Gauss hypergeometric function transform follows as a simple special case of our integral transforms. Finally, we establish an inversion formula for the integral transform which we have introduced in this investigation.

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## 1. Introduction and Definitions

The S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function:

$$F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; z)$$

was introduced and investigated by Srivastava et al. [8], p. 350, Eq. (1.12)]. It is represented in the following manner:

$$F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a)_n \frac{B_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(b+n, c-b) z^n}{B(b, c-b) n!} \quad (|z| < 1) \quad (1.1)$$

$$\left( \mathfrak{H}(p) \geq 0; \min \left\{ \mathfrak{H}(\alpha), \mathfrak{H}(\beta), \mathfrak{H}(\tau), \mathfrak{H}(\mu) \right\} > 0; \mathfrak{H}(c) > \mathfrak{H}(b) > 0 \right)$$

in terms of the classical Beta function  $B(\lambda, \mu)$  and the S-generalized Beta function  $B_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(x, y)$ , which was also defined by Srivastava et al. [8], p. 350, Eq. (1.13)] as follows:

$$B_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(x, y) := \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} {}_1F_1 \left( \alpha; \beta; -\frac{p}{t^\tau (1-t)^\mu} \right) dt \quad (1.2)$$

$$\left( \mathfrak{H}(p) \geq 0; \min \{ \mathfrak{H}(x), \mathfrak{H}(y), \mathfrak{H}(\alpha), \mathfrak{H}(\beta) \} > 0; \min \{ \mathfrak{H}(\tau), \mathfrak{H}(\mu) \} > 0 \right)$$

and  $(\lambda)_n$  denotes the Pochhammer symbol defined (for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ) by (see [11], p. 2 and pp. 4-6; see also [10], p. 2]):

$$(\lambda)_n := \frac{\Gamma(\lambda+n)}{\Gamma(\lambda)} = \begin{cases} 1 & (n=0) \\ \lambda(\lambda+1)\dots(\lambda+n-1) & (n \in \mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}) \end{cases} \quad (1.3)$$

provided that the Gamma quotient exists (see, for details, [13], p. 16 et seq.] and [15], p. 22 et seq.).

For  $\tau = \mu$ , the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function defined by (1.1) reduces to the following generalized Gauss hypergeometric function  $F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau)}(a, b; c; z)$  studied earlier by Parmar [7], p.44]:

$$F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau)}(a, b; c; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a)_n \frac{B_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau)}(b+n, c-b) z^n}{B(b, c-b) n!} \quad (|z| < 1) \quad (1.4)$$

$$\left( \mathfrak{H}(p) \geq 0; \min \{ \mathfrak{H}(\alpha), \mathfrak{H}(\beta), \mathfrak{H}(\tau) \} > 0; \mathfrak{H}(c) > \mathfrak{H}(b) > 0 \right),$$

which, in the further special case when  $\tau = 1$ , reduces to the following extension of the generalized Gauss hypergeometric function (see, e.g., [6], p. 4606, Section 3; see also [5], p. 39):

$$F_p^{(\alpha,\beta)}(a,b;c;z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a)_n \frac{B_p^{(\alpha,\beta)}(b+n,c-b)}{B(b,c-b)} \frac{z^n}{n!} \quad (|z| < 1) \tag{1.5}$$

$$(\Re(p) \geq 0; \min\{\Re(\alpha), \Re(\beta)\} > 0; \Re(c) > \Re(b) > 0).$$

Upon setting  $\alpha = \beta$  in (1.5), we arrive at the following extended Gauss hypergeometric function (see [[1], p.591, Eqs. (2.1) and (2.2)]):

$$F_p(a,b;c;z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a)_n \frac{B_p(b+n,c-b)}{B(b,c-b)} \frac{z^n}{n!} \quad (|z| < 1) \tag{1.6}$$

$$(\Re(p) \geq 0; \Re(c) > \Re(b) > 0).$$

In the present paper, we propose to further investigate the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function defined by (1.1). We first derive an integral representation, the Mellin transform and a complex integral representation of the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function. We also introduce and study a new integral transform whose kernel is the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function and point out its three special cases which are also believed to be new. The well-known Gauss hypergeometric function transform follows as a simple special case of our integral transforms. Finally, we establish an inversion formula for the integral transform which we have introduced in this investigation. For other related works on various families of Gauss and Kummer hypergeometric functions and their multi-parameter extensions and generalizations, one may refer (for example) to the recent papers [1,3,4] and [9].

## 2. A Set of Main Results

In this section, we first give the aforementioned integral representation, the Mellin Transform and a complex integral representation of the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function. We also introduce a new integral transform whose kernel is the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function defined by (1.1).

### 2.1. Integral Representation of the S-Generalized Gauss Hypergeometric Function

**Theorem 1.** Suppose that

$$\begin{aligned} &\Re(p) \geq 0, |\arg(1-z)| < \pi, \\ &\min\{\Re(\tau), \Re(\mu), \Re(b+\tau\alpha), \Re(c-b+\mu\alpha)\} > 0, \\ &\text{and } \Re(c) > \Re(b) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then the following integral representation holds true:

$$F_p^{(\alpha,\beta;\tau,\mu)}(a,b;c;z) = \frac{1}{B(b,c-b)} \int_0^1 \left[ t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-zt)^{-a} \cdot {}_1F_1\left(\alpha; \beta; -\frac{p}{t^\tau (1-t)^\mu}\right) \right] dt \tag{2.1}$$

where the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function  $F_p^{(\alpha,\beta;\tau,\mu)}(a,b;c;z)$  is given by (1.1).

*Proof.* Using Eq. (1.1) on the left-hand side of (2.1), we find that

$$\begin{aligned} &F_p^{(\alpha,\beta;\tau,\mu)}(a,b;c;z) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a)_n \frac{B_p^{(\alpha,\beta;\tau,\mu)}(b+n,c-b)}{B(b,c-b)} \frac{z^n}{n!} \\ &= \frac{1}{B(b,c-b)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a)_n \int_0^1 \left[ t^{b+n-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} \cdot {}_1F_1\left(\alpha; \beta; -\frac{p}{t^\tau (1-t)^\mu}\right) \frac{z^n}{n!} \right] dt \\ &= \frac{1}{B(b,c-b)} \int_0^1 \left[ t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} \cdot {}_1F_1\left(\alpha; \beta; -\frac{p}{t^\tau (1-t)^\mu}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a)_n \frac{(zt)^n}{n!} \right] dt \\ &= \frac{1}{B(b,c-b)} \int_0^1 \left[ t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-zt)^{-a} \cdot {}_1F_1\left(\alpha; \beta; -\frac{p}{t^\tau (1-t)^\mu}\right) \right] dt, \end{aligned}$$

which proves Theorem 1.

### 2.2. The Mellin Transform of the S-Generalized Gauss Hypergeometric Function

As usual, the Mellin transform of a function  $f(t)$  is defined by (see, for example, [[2], p. 340, Eq. (8.2.5)])

$$\mathcal{M}[f(t)](s) = \int_0^\infty t^{s-1} f(t) dt \quad (\Re(s) > 0). \tag{2.2}$$

provided that the improper integral exists.

**Theorem 2.** If

$$\begin{aligned} &\Re(p) \geq 0, \min\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Re(\tau), \Re(\mu), \Re(b+\tau\alpha), \\ \Re(c-b+\mu\alpha) \end{array} \right\} > 0, \\ &\text{and } \Re(c) > \Re(s) < \min\{\Re(a), \Re(b)\}, \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{M}\left[F_p^{(\alpha,\beta;\tau,\mu)}(a,b;c;t)\right](s) \\ &= (-1)^s \frac{B(s,a-s) B_p^{(\alpha,\beta;\tau,\mu)}(b-s,c-b)}{B(b,c-b)}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

*Proof.* In order to prove the assertion (2.3), by taking the Mellin transform of (2.1), we obtain

$$\Delta(s) := \int_0^\infty z^{s-1} \left[ \frac{1}{B(b,c-b)} \int_0^1 \left[ t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-zt)^{-a} \cdot {}_1F_1\left(\alpha; \beta; -\frac{p}{t^\tau (1-t)^\mu}\right) \right] dt \right] dz.$$

Upon interchanging the order of the  $t$ - and the  $z$ -integrals (which is permissible under the conditions stated), if we evaluate the resulting  $z$ -integral first, we get

$$\Delta(s) = \frac{1}{B(b, c-b)} \int_0^1 \left[ t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} \cdot {}_1F_1 \left( \alpha; \beta; -\frac{p}{t^\tau (1-t)^\mu} \right) \cdot \frac{\Gamma(s)\Gamma(a-s)}{(-t)^s \Gamma(a)} \right] dt.$$

Now, with the help of (1.2), we get the desired result (2.3) after a little simplification.

### 2.3. A Complex Integral Representation of the S-Generalized Gauss Hypergeometric Function

If we take the inverse Mellin transform of (2.3), we easily arrive at the following complex integral representation for the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function  $F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; z)$ :

$$F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} (-z)^{-s} \frac{B(s, a-s) B_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(b-s, c-b)}{B(b, c-b)} ds. \tag{2.4}$$

### 2.4. The S-Generalized Gauss Hypergeometric Function Transform

We define the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric transform by the following equation (see also a recent work [14] dealing with several new families of integral transforms):

$$\bar{\mathcal{G}}[f(z); s] = \varphi(s) := \int_0^\infty F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; sz) f(z) dz \tag{2.5}$$

$(f(z) \in \Lambda)$ ,

where  $\Lambda$  denotes the class of functions for which

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} O(z^\zeta) & (z \rightarrow 0) \\ O(z^{w_1} c^{w_2 z}) & (|z| \rightarrow \infty), \end{cases} \tag{2.6}$$

provided that the existence conditions in (1.1) for the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function

$$F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; z)$$

are satisfied and

$$\Re(\zeta) > -1$$

and

$$\Re(w_2) > 0 \text{ or } \Re(w_2) = 0 \text{ and } \Re(w_1 - a + 1) < 0. \tag{2.7}$$

### 2.5. Special Cases

In this section, we give three special cases of our integral transform defined by (2.5).

#### 2.5.1. Generalize Gauss Hypergeometric Function Transform

If we put  $\tau = \mu$  in (2.5), the transform in (2.5) reduces to the generalized Gauss hypergeometric function transform given by

$$\varphi_1(s) = \int_0^\infty F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; sz) f(z) dz. \tag{2.8}$$

#### 2.5.2. Extension of the Generalized Gauss Hypergeometric Function Transform

By taking  $\tau = \mu = 1$  in (2.8), we get the following extension of the generalized Gauss hypergeometric function transform:

$$\varphi_2(s) = \int_0^\infty F_p^{(\alpha, \beta)}(a, b; c; sz) f(z) dz. \tag{2.9}$$

Moreover, if we take  $\alpha = \beta$  in (2.9), it reduces to the extended Gauss hypergeometric function transform given below:

$$\varphi_3(s) = \int_0^\infty F_p(a, b; c; sz) f(z) dz. \tag{2.10}$$

if we set  $p = 0$  in the integral transforms defined by (2.8), (2.9) and (2.10), we easily get the Gauss hypergeometric transform (see, for details, [12]).

### 2.6. Inversion Formula for the S-Generalized Gauss Hypergeometric Function Transform

**Theorem 3.** *If  $y^{k-1} f(y) \in L(0, \infty)$ , the function  $f(y)$  is of bounded variation in the neighborhood of the point  $y = z$ , and*

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(s) &= \bar{\mathcal{G}}[f(z); s] \\ &= \int_0^\infty F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; sz) f(z) dz, \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2} \{f(t+0) + f(t-0)\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\mathcal{L}} \frac{(-1)^{\kappa-1} B(b, c-b)}{B(1-\kappa, a+\kappa-1) \cdot B_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(b+\kappa-1, c-b)} z^{-\kappa} \Omega(\kappa) d\kappa, \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

where

$$\Omega(\kappa) := \int_0^\infty s^{-\kappa} \varphi(s) ds, \tag{2.13}$$

provided that existence conditions for the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function  $F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; z)$  given by (1.1) are satisfied, the S-generalized Gauss hypergeometric function transform of  $|f(z)|$  exists, and

$$\Re(1-\kappa) > 0 \text{ and } \Re(1-a-\kappa) < 0.$$

*Proof.* In order to prove the inversion formula (2.12), we substitute the value of  $\varphi(s)$  from (2.11) into the right-hand side of (2.13). We thus find that

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(\kappa) &:= \int_0^\infty s^{-\kappa} \varphi(s) ds \\ &= \int_0^\infty s^{-\kappa} \left( \int_0^\infty F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; sz) f(z) dz \right) ds. \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

Upon interchanging the order of the  $z$ - and the  $s$ -integrals in (2.14) (which is permissible under the given conditions), if we evaluate the  $s$ -integral by using (2.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(\kappa) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\left( \frac{B(1-\kappa, a+\kappa-1)}{\bullet B_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(b+\kappa-1, c-b)} \right) (-z)^{\kappa-1} f(z) dz}{B(b, c-b)}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

Finally, by applying the Mellin Inversion Formula to the above integral (2.15), we get the desired result (2.12) after a little simplification.

### 3. Concluding Remarks and Observations

In our present investigation, we have further studied the  $S$ -generalized Gauss hypergeometric function:

$$F_p^{(\alpha, \beta; \tau, \mu)}(a, b; c; z),$$

which was recently introduced by Srivastava et al. [8]. In the course of our study, we have presented an integral representation, the Mellin transform and a complex integral representation of the  $S$ -generalized Gauss hypergeometric function. We have also introduced a new integral transform whose kernel is the  $S$ -generalized Gauss hypergeometric function and pointed out its three special cases which are also believed to be new. Furthermore, we have specified that the well-known Gauss hypergeometric function transform follows as a simple special case of our integral transforms. Finally, we have established an inversion formula for the integral transform which we have introduced in this investigation.

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