

## 8. Conclusion

Because the output of one pass is read backwards by the next pass, this method is particularly suited to machines with tapes that can be read in either direction. Disk files or drums are also suitable for the intermediate storage, and can lead to very fast second and third passes.

On a machine with a large main memory many methods of optimization which use large parts of core are feasible. Since the first pass is usually highly input limited, it might be an advantage to use the method outlined above on several programs simultaneously; that is, the compiler program is time-shared by several inputs and auxiliary devices, each using a small piece of memory for data storage.

Partial optimization of the object code in a machine independent fashion is certainly feasible using a small amount of main memory with a reversible auxiliary store. On most machines it is likely that the input time for the source program will dominate the compile speed. Optimization of the use of machine features such as index registers is a harder problem, probably requiring two further passes, one in each direction, since in the proposed compiler, information about which addresses would best be in index registers is not available until pass II, and pass II must generate code whose length can be determined by the end of pass II.

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# Algorithms

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## ALGORITHM 259

### LEGENDRE FUNCTIONS FOR ARGUMENTS LARGER THAN ONE\* [S16]

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#### begin

**comment** Control is transferred to a nonlocal label, called *alarm*, whenever the input variables are not in the intended range;

**procedure** *integer Legendre 1* ( $x, a, nmax, P$ );

**value**  $x, a, nmax$ ; **integer**  $a, nmax$ ; **real**  $x$ ; **array**  $P$ ;

**comment** This procedure generates the associated Legendre functions of the first kind,

$$P_a^n(x) = \frac{(x^2 - 1)^{n/2}}{2^n a!} \frac{d^{a+n}}{dx^{a+n}} (x^2 - 1)^a,$$

for  $n = 0(1)nmax$ , assuming  $a \geq 0$  an integer, and  $x > 1$ . The results are stored in the array  $P$ . The method of computation is derived from the (finite) continued fraction

$$(n+a)F_n/F_{n-1} = \frac{(n+a)(a+1-n)}{nx_1 + (n+1)x_1 + \frac{(n+a+2)(a-n-1)}{(n+2)x_1 + \dots \frac{2a \cdot 1}{ax_1}} \quad (1 \leq n \leq a),$$

where  $F_n = P_a^n(x)/(n+a)!$ ,  $x_1 = 2x(x^2-1)^{-1/2}$ , and the identity

$$F_0 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^a F_n = [x + (x^2-1)^{1/2}]^a / a!$$

If  $x$  is very close to 1, the computation of  $x_1$  is subject to cancellation of significant digits. In such cases it would be better to use  $y = x-1$  as input variable, and to compute  $(x^2-1)^{1/2}$  by  $[y(2+y)]^{1/2}$  everywhere in the procedure body;

**begin integer**  $n$ ; **real**  $x1, c, sum, r, s$ ;

**array**  $Rr[0:nmax-1]$ ;

**if**  $x < 1 \vee a < 0 \vee nmax < 0$  **then go to alarm**;

**if**  $x = 1 \vee a = 0$  **then**

**begin**

$P[0] := 1$ ; **for**  $n := 1$  **step 1 until**  $nmax$  **do**  $P[n] := 0$ ;

**go to L**

**end**;

**for**  $n := a+1$  **step 1 until**  $nmax$  **do**  $P[n] := 0$ ;

$x1 := \text{sqrt}(x^2-1)$ ;

$c := 1$ ; **for**  $n := 2$  **step 1 until**  $a$  **do**  $c := n \times c$ ;

$sum := (x+x1)^{a/c}$ ;  $x1 := 2 \times x/x1$ ;

$r := s := 0$ ;

**for**  $n := a$  **step -1 until 1 do**

**begin**

$r := (a+1-n)/(n \times x1 + (n+a+1) \times r)$ ;  $s := r \times (2+s)$ ;

**if**  $n \leq nmax$  **then**  $Rr[n-1] := r$

**end**;

$P[0] := c \times sum / (1+s)$ ;

for  $n := 0$  step 1 until if  $nmax \leq a$  then  $nmax-1$  else  $a-1$  do  
 $P[n+1] := (n+a+1) \times Rr[n] \times P[n]$ ;  
L: end integer Legendre 1;  
**procedure** integer Legendre 2( $x, m, nmax, d, Q$ );  
value  $x, m, nmax, d$ ; integer  $m, nmax, d$ ; real  $x$ ; array  $Q$ ;  
**comment** This procedure generates to  $d$  significant digits the associated Legendre functions of the second kind,  $Q_n^m(x)$ , for  $n = 0(1)nmax$ , assuming  $m \geq 0$  an integer, and  $x > 1$ . The results are stored in the array  $Q$ . The procedure first generates  $Q_n^m(x)$  from the recurrence relation

$$Q_n^{r+1} + \frac{2rx}{(x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} Q_n^r + (r+n)(r-n-1)Q_n^{r-1} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$(r = 1, 2, \dots, m-1)$$

with  $n = 0$ , and the initial values

$$Q_0^0(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{x+1}{x-1}, \quad Q_0^1(x) = -(x^2-1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Then a variant of the backward recurrence algorithm of J. C. P. Miller is applied to the recursion

$$(n-m+1)Q_{n+1}^m - (2n+1)xQ_n^m + (n+m)Q_{n-1}^m = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$(n=1, 2, 3, \dots).$$

(For more details see [2]. See also [4] for a very similar algorithm.) If  $m > 1$ , the leading coefficient in (2) vanishes for  $n = m-1$ , which invalidates the theoretical justification for the backward recurrence procedure. Nevertheless, it appears that the procedure produces valid results for arbitrary  $m \geq 0$ . Convergence of the backward recurrence algorithm is slow for  $x$  near 1, but improves rapidly as  $x$  increases;

**begin** integer  $n, nu, p$ ; real  $x1, Q0, Q1, Q2, epsilon, r$ ;  
array  $Qapprox, Rr[0:nmax]$ ;  
if  $x \leq 1 \vee nmax < 0 \vee m < 0$  then go to alarm;  
 $x1 := \text{sqrt}(x\uparrow 2-1)$ ;  
 $Q1 := .5 \times \ln((x+1)/(x-1))$ ;  
if  $m = 0$  then  $Q[0] := Q1$  else  
**begin**  
 $Q2 := -1/x1$ ;  $x1 := 2 \times x/x1$ ;  
for  $n := 1$  step 1 until  $m-1$  do  
**begin**  
 $Q0 := Q1$ ;  $Q1 := Q2$ ;  
 $Q2 := -n \times x1 \times Q1 - n \times (n-1) \times Q0$   
**end**;  
 $Q[0] := Q2$   
**end**;  
for  $n := 0$  step 1 until  $nmax$  do  $Qapprox[n] := 0$ ;  
 $epsilon := .5 \times 10\uparrow(-d)$ ;  
 $nu := 20 + \text{entier}(1.25 \times nmax)$ ;  
L0:  $r := 0$ ;  
for  $n := nu$  step  $-1$  until 1 do  
**begin**  
 $r := (n+m)/((2 \times n+1) \times x - (n-m+1) \times r)$ ;  
if  $n \leq nmax$  then  $Rr[n-1] := r$   
**end**;  
for  $n := 0$  step 1 until  $nmax-1$  do  $Q[n+1] := Rr[n] \times Q[n]$ ;  
for  $n := 0$  step 1 until  $nmax$  do  
if  $\text{abs}(Q[n]-Qapprox[n]) > epsilon \times \text{abs}(Q[n])$  then  
**begin**  
for  $p := 0$  step 1 until  $nmax$  do  $Qapprox[p] := Q[p]$ ;  
 $nu := nu + 10$ ; go to L0  
**end**  
**end** integer Legendre 2;

**procedure** integer Legendre 3( $x, n, mmax, d, Q$ );  
value  $x, n, mmax, d$ ; integer  $n, mmax, d$ ; real  $x$ ; array  $Q$ ;  
**comment** This procedure generates to  $d$  significant digits, and stores in the array  $Q$ , the Legendre functions of the second kind,  $Q_n^m(x)$ , for  $m = 0(1)mmax$ , assuming  $n \geq 0$  an integer, and

$x > 1$ . The procedure integer Legendre 2 is used to obtain initial values  $Q_n^0, Q_n^1$ , and subsequent values are obtained from the recursion (1) of the preceding comment;

**begin** integer  $m$ ; real  $x1$ ; array  $Q1[0:n]$ ;  
if  $n < 0 \vee mmax < 0$  then go to alarm;  
integer Legendre 2( $x, 0, n, d, Q1$ );  $Q[0] := Q1[n]$ ;  
 $x1 := 2 \times x/\text{sqrt}(x\uparrow 2-1)$ ;  
if  $mmax > 0$  then  
**begin**  
integer Legendre 2( $x, 1, n, d, Q1$ );  $Q[1] := Q1[n]$   
**end**;  
for  $m := 1$  step 1 until  $mmax-1$  do  
 $Q[m+1] := -m \times x1 \times Q[m] - (m+n) \times (m-n-1) \times Q[m-1]$   
**end** integer Legendre 3;  
**procedure** Legendre 1( $x, alpha, nmax, d, P1$ );  
value  $x, alpha, nmax, d$ ; integer  $nmax, d$ ;  
real  $x, alpha$ ; array  $P1$ ;  
**comment** This procedure evaluates to  $d$  significant digits the Legendre functions

$$P_\alpha^n(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+n+1)}{\pi \Gamma(\alpha+1)} \int_0^\pi [x + (x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cos t]^\alpha \cos nt \, dt$$

for  $n = 0(1)nmax$ , where  $x > 1$  and  $\alpha$  is real. The results are stored in the array  $P1$ . It is assumed that a nonlocal procedure *gamma* be available which evaluates  $\Gamma(z)$  for  $0 < z \leq 2$ . (See [3].) The procedure first generates the quantities  $f_n = P_\alpha^n(x)/\Gamma(\alpha+n+1)$  from the recurrence relation

$$f_{n+1} + \frac{2nx}{(n+\alpha+1)(x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} f_n + \frac{n-\alpha-1}{n+\alpha+1} f_{n-1} = 0,$$

and the identity

$$f_0 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n = \frac{[x + (x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}]^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)},$$

applying a variant of the backward recurrence algorithm of J. C. P. Miller. (See [2] for more details.) Then  $P_\alpha^n(x) = \Gamma(\alpha+n+1)f_n$  is obtained recursively. If  $\alpha < -\frac{1}{2}$ , we let  $a = -\alpha-1$  and compute  $P_\alpha^n(x) = P_a^n(x)$ . The substitution is made to avoid loss of accuracy when  $x$  is large. The rate of convergence of this procedure decreases as  $x$  increases. A general idea of the speed of convergence may be obtained from the graphs in [2, §6]. If  $x$  is very close to 1, the same changes as mentioned in the first procedure are recommended;

**begin** integer  $n, nu, m$ ; real  $a, epsilon, x1, sum, c, r, s$ ;  
array  $Papprox, Rr[0:nmax]$ ;  
if  $x < 1 \vee nmax < 0 \vee \text{entier}(alpha) - alpha = 0$  then  
go to alarm; if  $x = 1$  then  
**begin**  
 $P1[0] := 1$ ; for  $n := 1$  step 1 until  $nmax$  do  $P1[n] := 0$ ;  
go to L1  
**end**;  
**end**;  
 $a := \text{if } alpha < -0.5 \text{ then } -alpha - 1 \text{ else } alpha$ ;  
for  $n := 0$  step 1 until  $nmax$  do  $Papprox[n] := 0$ ;  
 $epsilon := .5 \times 10\uparrow(-d)$ ;  
if  $a \leq 1$  then  $c := \text{gamma}(1+a)$  else  
**begin**  
 $m := \text{entier}(a) - 1$ ;  $c := \text{gamma}(a-m)$ ;  
for  $n := 0$  step 1 until  $m$  do  $c := (a-n) \times c$   
**end**;  
 $x1 := \text{sqrt}(x\uparrow 2-1)$ ;  $sum := (x+x1)\uparrow a/c$ ;  $x1 := 2 \times x/x1$ ;  
 $nu := 20 + \text{entier}((37.26 + 1.283 \times (a+38.26) \times x) \times nmax / (37.26 + 1.283 \times (a+1) \times x))$ ;  
L0:  $r := s := 0$ ;  
for  $n := nu$  step  $-1$  until 1 do  
**begin**  
 $r := (a+1-n)/(n \times x1 + (n+a+1) \times r)$ ;  $s := r \times (2+s)$ ;  
if  $n \leq nmax$  then  $Rr[n-1] := r$   
**end**;  
**end**;

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P1[0] := sum/(1+s);
for n := 0 step 1 until nmax - 1 do
  P1[n+1] := Rr[n] × P1[n];
for n := 0 step 1 until nmax do
  if abs (P1[n]-Papprox[n]) > epsilon × abs (P1[n]) then
    begin
      for m := 0 step 1 until nmax do Papprox [m] := P1[m];
      nu := nu + 10; go to L0
    end;
  P1[0] := c × P1[0];
  for n := 1 step 1 until nmax do
    begin
      c := (a+n) × c; P1[n] := c × P1[n]
    end;
L1: end Legendre 1;

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**procedure Legendre 2**( $x, a, m, nmax, d, P2$ );  
**value**  $x, a, m, nmax, d$ ; **integer**  $m, nmax, d$ ; **real**  $x, a$ ;  
**array**  $P2$ ;  
**comment** This procedure evaluates to  $d$  significant digits the Legendre functions  $P_{a+n}^m(x)$  for fixed  $x > 1, a, m \geq 0$ , and for  $n = 0(1)nmax$ . The results are stored in the array  $P2$ . They are obtained recursively from

$$P_{a+n+1}^m(x) = \frac{2n+2a+1}{n+a-m+1} x P_{a+n}^m(x) - \frac{n+a+m}{n+a-m+1} P_{a+n-1}^m(x),$$

the initial values being calculated with the help of the procedure *Legendre 1*;

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begin integer n; array P1[0:m];
if m < 0 then go to alarm;
Legendre 1(x, a, m, d, P1); P2[0] := P1[m];
if nmax > 0 then
  begin
    Legendre 1(x, a+1, m, d, P1); P2[1] := P1[m]
  end;
  for n := 1 step 1 until nmax-1 do
    P2[n+1] := ((2×n+2×a+1)×x×P2[n]
      - (n+a+m)×P2[n-1])/(n+a-m+1)
  end Legendre 2;

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**procedure conical**( $x, tau, nmax, d, P$ );  
**value**  $x, tau, nmax, d$ ; **integer**  $nmax, d$ ; **real**  $x, tau$ ; **array**  $P$ ;  
**comment** This is an adaption of the procedure *Legendre 1* to the case  $\alpha = -\frac{1}{2} + i\tau$ , where  $\tau$  is real. The procedure thus generates Mehler's conical functions  $P_{-\frac{1}{2}+i\tau}^n(x)$  to  $d$  significant digits for  $n = 0(1)nmax$  and  $x > 1$ . The results are stored in the array  $P$ . To avoid excessively large and excessively small numbers, we let  $f_n = P_{-\frac{1}{2}+i\tau}^n(x)/n!$  and first compute  $f_n$  from the recurrence relation

$$f_{n+1} + \frac{2nx}{(n+1)(x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} f_n + \frac{(n-\frac{1}{2})^2 + \tau^2}{n(n+1)} f_{n-1} = 0,$$

and the identity

$$f_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n = [x + (x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cos(\tau \ln [x + (x^2-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}]),$$

where

$$\lambda_n = n! \left[ \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + i\tau)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + i\tau + n)} + \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - i\tau)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - i\tau + n)} \right].$$

The  $\lambda$ 's are obtained recursively by

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4} + \tau^2}, \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{3 - 4\tau^2}{(\frac{1}{4} + \tau^2)(\frac{9}{4} + \tau^2)},$$

$$\lambda_{n+1} = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{n}}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{2n}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\tau}{n}\right)^2} (2\lambda_n - \lambda_{n-1}) \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots).$$

The procedure converges rather slowly if  $x$  and  $\tau$  are both large (see the graphs in §6 of [2]). If the accuracy requirement as specified by  $d$  is too stringent the procedure may not converge at all due to the accumulation of rounding errors;

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begin integer n, nu, m; real epsilon, t, x1, x2, sum, lambda 1,
lambda 2, lambda, r, s; array Papprox, Rr[0:nmax];
if x < 1 ∨ nmax < 0 then go to alarm;
if x = 1 then
  begin
    P[0] := 1; for n := 1 step 1 until nmax do P[n] := 0;
  go to L3
  end;
  t := tau↑2;
  for n := 0 step 1 until nmax do Papprox[n] := 0;
  epsilon := .5 × 10↑(-d);
  x1 := sqrt(x↑2-1); x2 := x + x1;
  sum := cos(tau×ln(x2))/sqrt(x2); x1 := 2 × x/x1;
  nu := 30 + entier ((1+(.140+.0246×tau) × (x-1))×nmax);
L0: n := 2;
  lambda 1 := 1/((.25+t));
  lambda 2 := (3-4×t)/((.25+t)×(2.25+t));
L1: lambda := (1+1/n) × (2×lambda 2 - lambda 1)/
  ((1+.5/n)↑2 + (tau/n)↑2);
  if n < nu then
    begin
      lambda 1 := lambda 2; lambda 2 := lambda;
      n := n + 1; go to L1
    end;
  r := s := 0;
L2: r := -((1-.5/n)↑2 + (tau/n)↑2)/(x1+(1+1/n)×r);
  s := r × (lambda 2+s);
  if n ≤ nmax then Rr[n-1] := r;
  lambda 1 := lambda 2;
  lambda 2 := 2 × lambda 2 - ((1+.5/n)↑2 + (tau/n)↑2)
  × lambda/(1+1/n);
  lambda := lambda 1;
  n := n - 1; if n ≥ 1 then go to L2;
  P[0] := sum/(1+s);
  for n := 0 step 1 until nmax - 1 do P[n+1] := Rr[n] × P[n];
  for n := 0 step 1 until nmax do
    if abs (P[n]-Papprox[n]) > epsilon × abs(P[n]) then
      begin
        for m := 0 step 1 until nmax do Papprox[m] := P[m];
        nu := nu + 60; comment To avoid an infinite loop in
        case of divergence the user should provide for an upper
        bound on nu, say 1000, and exit from the procedure when
        nu exceeds this bound, printing an appropriate error
        message;
        go to L0
      end;
  t := 1;
  for n := 1 step 1 until nmax do
    begin
      t := n × t; P[n] := t × P[n]
    end;
L3: end conical;

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**procedure toroidal**( $x, m, nmax, d, Q$ );  
**value**  $x, m, nmax, d$ ; **integer**  $m, nmax, d$ ; **real**  $x$ ; **array**  $Q$ ;  
**comment** This procedure generates to  $d$  significant digits the toroidal functions of the second kind,  $Q_{-\frac{1}{2}+n}^m(x)$ , for  $n = 0(1)nmax$ , where  $x > 1$ , and  $m$  is an integer, positive, negative or zero. The method of computation is based on the recurrence relation

$$(n-m+\frac{1}{2})Q_{-\frac{1}{2}+n+1}^m(x) - 2nxQ_{-\frac{1}{2}+n}^m(x) + (n+m-\frac{1}{2})Q_{-\frac{1}{2}+n-1}^m(x) = 0,$$

and the identity

$$Q_{-\frac{1}{2}}^m(x) + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Q_{-\frac{1}{2}+n}^m(x) = (-1)^m \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \Gamma(m+\frac{1}{2})(x-1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{x+1}{x-1}\right)^{m/2},$$

to which a variant of J. C. P. Miller's backward recurrence algorithm is applied. (See [2] for more details.) The convergence of this procedure is slow for  $x$  near 1, and improves rapidly as  $x$  increases;

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begin integer  $n, nu, p$ ; real  $\epsilon, x1, c, sum, r, s$ ;
array  $Q_{approx}, Rr[0:nmax]$ ;
if  $x \leq 1 \vee nmax < 0$  then go to alarm;
for  $n := 0$  step 1 until  $nmax$  do  $Q_{approx}[n] := 0$ ;
 $\epsilon := .5 \times 10^{(-d)}$ ;
 $c := 2.2214414691$ ;
if  $m \geq 0$  then
  for  $n := 0$  step 1 until  $m-1$  do  $c := -(n+.5) \times c$ 
else
  for  $n := 0$  step -1 until  $m+1$  do  $c := -c/(n-.5)$ ;
 $sum := c \times ((x+1)/(x-1))^{(m/2)/sqrt(x-1)}$ ;  $x1 := 2 \times x$ ;
 $nu := 20 + \text{entier}((1.15 + (.0146 + .00122 \times m)/(x-1)) \times nmax)$ ;
L0:  $r := s := 0$ ;
for  $n := nu$  step -1 until 1 do
begin
   $r := (n+m-.5)/(n \times x1 - (n-m+.5) \times r)$ ;  $s := r \times (2+s)$ ;
  if  $n \leq nmax$  then  $Rr[n-1] := r$ 
end;
 $Q[0] := sum/(1+s)$ ;
for  $n := 0$  step 1 until  $nmax - 1$  do  $Q[n+1] := Rr[n] \times Q[n]$ ;
for  $n := 0$  step 1 until  $nmax$  do
  if  $abs(Q[n] - Q_{approx}[n]) > \epsilon \times abs(Q[n])$  then
    begin
      for  $p := 0$  step 1 until  $nmax$  do  $Q_{approx}[p] := Q[p]$ ;
       $nu := nu + 10$ ; go to L0
    end
end toroidal;

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**comment** All procedures were tested on the CDC 3600 computer. Some of the tests that were run are described below;

**comment** The procedures *integer Legendre* 1-3 were driven to print test values to 6 significant digits of  $P_n^m(x)$ ,  $Q_n^m(x)$ ,  $Q_n^m(x)$ ,  $m = 0(1)10$ , for  $x = 1.5, 3, 10$ , and  $n = 0(1)5$ . As far as possible, the results were compared with values tabulated in [5], and found to be in complete agreement. Similarly, test values of  $P_{-1+n}^m(x)$ ,  $m = 0(1)4$ , were obtained from the procedure *Legendre* 1, for  $x = 1.5, 3, 10$ , and  $n = 0(1)5$ . All agreed with values tabulated in [5]. More extensive tests could be run by having the procedure "verify" the addition theorem

$$P_\alpha(xy - \sqrt{(x^2-1)\sqrt{(y^2-1)}}) = P_\alpha(x)P_\alpha(y) + 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (-1)^m \frac{\Gamma(\alpha-m+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+m+1)} P_\alpha^m(x)P_\alpha^m(y), \quad x > 1, y > 1;$$

**comment** The procedure *conical* (with  $d=6$ ) was run to produce test values of  $P_{1+i\tau}^m(x)$ ,  $m = 0, 1$ , for  $x = 1.5, 5, 10, 20$ , and  $\tau = 0(10)30$ . The results agreed to 6 significant digits with those in [10], [11];

**comment** The procedure *toroidal* was driven to generate test values to 6 significant digits of  $Q_{-1+n}^m(x)$ ,  $Q_{-1+n}^{-m}(x)$ ,  $n = 0(1)5$ , for  $x = 1.5, 3, 10$ , and  $m = 0(1)4$ . All values of  $Q_{-1+n}^m(x)$  were checked against those in [5]. There were no discrepancies. The values of  $Q_{-1+n}^{-m}(x)$  were compared with those of  $[\Gamma(n-m+\frac{1}{2})/\Gamma(n+m+\frac{1}{2})]Q_{-1+n}^m(x)$ . The largest relative error observed was  $1.5_{10} - 9$ , occurring at  $m = 4$ ,  $n = 5$ ,  $x = 1.5$ ;

**comment** Integrals of the form

$$f_n(k^2, \alpha) = (-1)^n \int_0^{\pi/2} [1 - k^2 \sin^2 \psi]^\alpha \cos 2n\psi \, d\psi, \quad 0 < k < 1,$$

are repeatedly encountered in applied mathematics (see, e.g., [6]-[9]), where  $\alpha = -\frac{3}{2}$ , or  $\alpha = -\frac{5}{2}$ . It is readily seen that

$$f_n(k^2, \alpha) = (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+n+1)} (1-k^2)^{\alpha/2} P_\alpha^n \left( \frac{2-k^2}{2\sqrt{1-k^2}} \right).$$

The program that follows generates  $(1-k^2)f_n(k^2, \alpha)$ ,  $n = 0(1)10$ , for  $\alpha = -\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{5}{2}$ , and  $k^2 = .1, .5, .9$ , calling for an ac-

curacy of 6 significant digits. Selected results are shown below.

$\alpha$	$k^2$	$n$	$(1-k^2)f_n(k^2, \alpha)$
-1.5	.1	0	1.5307576371
		5	5.2456440472 <sub>10</sub> -8
		10	9.0801648667 <sub>10</sub> -16
	.5	1	3.4378228849 <sub>10</sub> -1
		4	2.8295844423 <sub>10</sub> -3
		7	1.8215954880 <sub>10</sub> -5
	.9	2	4.8615561237 <sub>10</sub> -1
		6	5.2878408708 <sub>10</sub> -2
		9	8.8107743954 <sub>10</sub> -3
-2.5	.1	0	1.6169191877
		5	2.3969022984 <sub>10</sub> -7
		10	7.3394117106 <sub>10</sub> -15
	.5	1	8.4721308463 <sub>10</sub> -1
		4	1.4940149605 <sub>10</sub> -2
		7	1.4764302684 <sub>10</sub> -4
	.9	2	4.9389962376
		6	9.7073200383 <sub>10</sub> -1
		9	2.1695170317 <sub>10</sub> -1

Those for  $\alpha = -\frac{3}{2}$  were compared with values tabulated in [6]. There was agreement in all four decimal places given;

```

begin integer  $n$ ; real  $\alpha, k2, c$ ; array  $P1[0:10]$ ;
for  $\alpha := -1.5, -2.5$  do
  for  $k2 := .1, .5, .9$  do
    begin
       $c := 1.570796327 \times (1-k2)^{(1+\alpha/2)}$ ;
      Legendre 1  $(.5 \times (2-k2)/sqrt(1-k2), \alpha, 10, 6, P1)$ ;
      for  $n := 0$  step 1 until 10 do
        begin
           $P1[n] := c \times P1[n]$ ;  $c := -c/(n+\alpha+1)$ ;
          outreal (1,  $P1[n]$ )
        end
      end;
    go to skip;
  alarm: outstring (1, 'parameters not in range');
  skip: end;

```

**comment** The integrals

$$\Omega_j(k) = \int_0^\pi (1 - k^2 \cos \phi)^{-1-j} d\phi, \quad 0 \leq k < 1, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

arose in recent radiation field studies ([1]). One has

$$\Omega_j(k) = \pi(1-k^4)^{-(1+j)/2} P_{-1+j}((1-k^4)^{-1/2}).$$

The program below calculates  $\Omega_j(k)$  to 8 significant digits for  $k^2 = .2(.2).8$ ,  $j = 0(1)9$ . The results agree to 8 figures with the values tabulated in [1];

```

begin integer  $j$ ; real  $k2, x, x1$ ; array  $P2, \omega[0:9]$ ;
for  $k2 := .2$  step .2 until .9 do
  begin
     $x := 1/sqrt(1-k2^2)$ ;
    Legendre 2( $x, -.5, 0, 9, 8, P2$ );
     $x1 := 3.1415926536 \times sqrt(x)$ ;
     $\omega[0] := x1 \times P2[0]$ ;
    for  $j := 1$  step 1 until 9 do
      begin
         $x1 := x \times x1$ ;  $\omega[j] := x1 \times P2[j]$ 
      end;
    for  $j := 0$  step 1 until 9 do outreal (1,  $\omega[j]$ )
  end;
  go to skip;
  alarm: outstring (1, 'parameters not in range');
  skip: end

```

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### ALGORITHM 260

6-J SYMBOLS [Z]

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**real procedure** *SJS* (*J1, J2, J3, L1, L2, L3, factorial*);  
**value** *J1, J2, J3, L1, L2, L3*;  
**integer** *J1, J2, J3, L1, L2, L3*;  
**array** *factorial*;  
**comment** *SJS* calculates the 6-*j* symbols defined by the following formula

$$\begin{Bmatrix} j_1 & j_2 & j_3 \\ l_1 & l_2 & l_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{\Delta(j_1, j_2, j_3)\Delta(j_1, l_2, l_3)\Delta(l_1, j_2, l_3)\Delta(l_1, l_2, j_3)}{\sum_x (-1)^x (z+1)! / ((z-j_1-j_2-j_3)! (z-j_1-l_2-l_3)! (z-l_1-j_2-l_3)! (z-l_1-l_2-j_3)! (j_1+j_2+l_1+l_2-z)! (j_2+j_3+l_2+l_3-z)! (j_3+j_1+l_3+l_1-z)!)}$$

where

$$\Delta(a, b, c) = \left[ \frac{(a+b-c)! (a-b+c)! (-a+b+c)!}{(a+b+c+1)!} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and where  $j_1 = J_1/2, j_2 = J_2/2, j_3 = J_3/2, l_1 = L_1/2, l_2 = L_2/2, l_3 = L_3/2$ . [Reference formula 6.3.7 page 99 of EDMONDS, A. R. Angular momentum in quantum mechanics. In *Investigations in Physics*, 4, Princeton U. Press, 1957]. The parameters of the procedure *J1, J2, J3, L1, L2, L3* are interpreted as being twice their physical value, so that actual parameters may be inserted as integers. Thus to calculate the 6-*j* symbol

$$\begin{Bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

the call would be *SJS* (4, 4, 0, 4, 4, 0, *factorial*). The procedure checks that the triangle conditions for the existence of a coefficient are satisfied and that  $j_1 + j_2 + j_3, j_1 + l_2 + l_3, l_1 + j_2 + l_3$  and  $l_1 + l_2 + j_3$  are integral. If the conditions are not satisfied the value of the procedure is zero. The parameter *factorial* is an array containing the factorials from 0 up to at least  $1 + \text{largest of } j_1 + j_2 + j_3, j_1 + l_2 + l_3, l_1 + j_2 + l_3 \text{ and } l_1 + l_2 + j_3$ . Since in actual calculations the procedure *SJS* will be called many times it is more economical to have the factorials in a global array rather than compute them on every

entry to the procedure. The notation is consistent with that used in the procedure for calculating Vector-coupling coefficients. See Algorithm 252, Vector Coupling or Clebsch-Gordan Coefficients [*Comm. ACM* 8 (Apr. 1965), 217];

**begin integer** *w, wmin, wmax*;  
**real** *omega*;  
**real procedure** *delta* (*a, b, c*);  
**value** *a, b, c*;  
**integer** *a, b, c*;  
**begin** *delta* := *sqrt* (*factorial* [(*a+b-c*)÷2]  
× *factorial* [(*a-b+c*)÷2]  
× *factorial* [(*-a+b+c*)÷2]/*factorial* [(*a+b+c+2*)÷2])  
**end** *delta*;  
**if**  $J_1 + J_2 < J_3 \vee \text{abs}(J_1 - J_2) > J_3 \vee J_1 + J_2 + J_3 \neq 2 \times ((J_1+J_2+J_3) \div 2)$   
 $\vee J_1 + L_2 < L_3 \vee \text{abs}(J_1 - L_2) > L_3 \vee J_1 + L_2 + L_3 \neq 2 \times ((J_1+L_2+L_3) \div 2)$   
 $\vee L_1 + J_2 < L_3 \vee \text{abs}(L_1 - J_2) > L_3 \vee L_1 + J_2 + L_3 \neq 2 \times ((L_1+J_2+L_3) \div 2)$   
 $\vee L_1 + L_2 < J_3 \vee \text{abs}(L_1 - L_2) > J_3 \vee L_1 + L_2 + J_3 \neq 2 \times ((L_1+L_2+J_3) \div 2)$   
**then** *SJS* := 0 **else**  
**begin**  
*omega* := 0;  
*wmin* :=  $J_1 + J_2 + J_3$ ;  
**if** *wmin* <  $J_1 + L_2 + L_3$  **then** *wmin* :=  $J_1 + L_2 + L_3$ ;  
**if** *wmin* <  $L_1 + J_2 + L_3$  **then** *wmin* :=  $L_1 + J_2 + L_3$ ;  
**if** *wmin* <  $L_1 + L_2 + J_3$  **then** *wmin* :=  $L_1 + L_2 + J_3$ ;  
*wmax* :=  $J_1 + J_2 + L_1 + L_2$ ;  
**if** *wmax* >  $J_2 + J_3 + L_2 + L_3$  **then** *wmax* :=  $J_2 + J_3 + L_2 + L_3$ ;  
**if** *wmax* >  $J_3 + J_1 + L_3 + L_1$  **then** *wmax* :=  $J_3 + J_1 + L_3 + L_1$ ;  
**for** *w* := *wmin* **step** 2 **until** *wmax* **do**  
*omega* := *omega* + (**if**  $w=4 \times (w \div 4)$  **then** 1 **else** -1)  
× *factorial* [ $w \div 2 + 1$ ]/(*factorial* [(*w-J1-J2-J3*)÷2]  
× *factorial* [(*w-J1-L2-L3*)÷2]  
× *factorial* [(*w-L1-J2-L3*)÷2]  
× *factorial* [(*w-L1-L2-J3*)÷2]  
× *factorial* [(*J1+J2+L1+L2-w*)÷2]  
× *factorial* [(*J2+J3+L2+L3-w*)÷2]  
× *factorial* [(*J3+J1+L3+L1-w*)÷2]);  
*SJS* := *delta* (*J1, J2, J3*) × *delta* (*J1, L2, L3*)  
× *delta* (*L1, J2, L3*) × *delta* (*L1, L2, J3*) × *omega*;  
**end**  
**end** *SJS*

### ALGORITHM 261

9-J SYMBOLS [Z]

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**real procedure** *NJS* (*J11, J12, J13, J21, J22, J23, J31, J32, J33, factorial*);  
**value** *J11, J12, J13, J21, J22, J23, J31, J32, J33*;  
**integer** *J11, J12, J13, J21, J22, J23, J31, J32, J33*;  
**array** *factorial*;  
**comment** *NJS* calculates the 9-*j* symbols defined by the following formula

$$\begin{Bmatrix} j_{11} & j_{12} & j_{13} \\ j_{21} & j_{22} & j_{23} \\ j_{31} & j_{32} & j_{33} \end{Bmatrix} = \sum_k (-1)^{2k} (2k+1) \begin{Bmatrix} j_{11} & j_{21} & j_{31} \\ j_{32} & j_{33} & k \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} j_{12} & j_{22} & j_{32} \\ j_{21} & k & j_{23} \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} j_{13} & j_{23} & j_{33} \\ k & j_{11} & j_{12} \end{Bmatrix}$$

where  $j_{11} = J_{11}/2, j_{12} = J_{12}/2, j_{13} = J_{13}/2, j_{21} = J_{21}/2,$

$j_{22} = J_{22}/2$ ,  $j_{23} = J_{23}/2$ ,  $j_{31} = J_{31}/2$ ,  $j_{32} = J_{32}/2$ ,  $j_{33} = J_{33}/2$  [Reference formula 6.4.3 page 101 of EDMONDS, A. R. Angular momentum in quantum mechanics. In *Investigations in Physics*, 4, Princeton U. Press, 1957]. The parameters of the procedure  $J_{11}$ ,  $J_{12}$ ,  $J_{13}$ ,  $J_{21}$ ,  $J_{22}$ ,  $J_{23}$ ,  $J_{31}$ ,  $J_{32}$ ,  $J_{33}$  are interpreted as being twice their physical value, so that actual parameters may be inserted as integers. Thus to calculate the 9- $j$  symbol

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

the call would be  $NJS(4, 4, 0, 4, 4, 0, 0, 0, 0, factorial)$ . The procedure checks that the triangle conditions for the existence of a coefficient are satisfied and that  $j_{11} + j_{21} + j_{31}$ ,  $j_{21} + j_{22} + j_{23}$ ,  $j_{31} + j_{32} + j_{33}$ ,  $j_{11} + j_{12} + j_{13}$ ,  $j_{12} + j_{22} + j_{32}$ ,  $j_{13} + j_{23} + j_{33}$  are integral. If the conditions are not satisfied the value of the procedure is zero. The parameter *factorial* is an array containing the factorials from 0 up to at least  $1 + \text{largest of } j_{11} + j_{21} + j_{31}, j_{21} + j_{22} + j_{23}, j_{31} + j_{32} + j_{33}, j_{11} + j_{12} + j_{13}, j_{12} + j_{22} + j_{32}, j_{13} + j_{23} + j_{33}$ . The procedure makes use of the procedure *SJS* [Algorithm 260, 6- $j$  symbols, *Comm. ACM* 8 (Aug. 1965), 492], for calculating 6- $j$  symbols;

```

begin integer k, kmin, kmax;
real NJ;
if  $J_{11} + J_{21} < J_{31} \vee \text{abs}(J_{11}-J_{21}) > J_{31} \vee J_{11} + J_{21} + J_{31} \neq 2 \times ((J_{11}+J_{21}+J_{31})\div 2)$ 
∨  $J_{21} + J_{22} < J_{23} \vee \text{abs}(J_{21}-J_{22}) > J_{23} \vee J_{21} + J_{22} + J_{23} \neq 2 \times ((J_{21}+J_{22}+J_{23})\div 2)$ 
∨  $J_{31} + J_{32} < J_{33} \vee \text{abs}(J_{31}-J_{32}) > J_{33} \vee J_{31} + J_{32} + J_{33} \neq 2 \times ((J_{31}+J_{32}+J_{33})\div 2)$ 
∨  $J_{11} + J_{12} < J_{13} \vee \text{abs}(J_{11}-J_{12}) > J_{13} \vee J_{11} + J_{12} + J_{13} \neq 2 \times ((J_{11}+J_{12}+J_{13})\div 2)$ 
∨  $J_{12} + J_{22} < J_{32} \vee \text{abs}(J_{12}-J_{22}) > J_{32} \vee J_{12} + J_{22} + J_{32} \neq 2 \times ((J_{12}+J_{22}+J_{32})\div 2)$ 
∨  $J_{13} + J_{23} < J_{33} \vee \text{abs}(J_{13}-J_{23}) > J_{33} \vee J_{13} + J_{23} + J_{33} \neq 2 \times ((J_{13}+J_{23}+J_{33})\div 2)$ 
then  $NJS := 0$  else
begin  $NJ := 0$ ;
   $kmin := \text{abs}(J_{21}-J_{32})$ ;
  if  $kmin < \text{abs}(J_{11}-J_{33})$  then  $kmin := \text{abs}(J_{11}-J_{33})$ ;
  if  $kmin < \text{abs}(J_{12}-J_{23})$  then  $kmin := \text{abs}(J_{12}-J_{23})$ ;
   $kmax := J_{21} + J_{32}$ ;
  if  $kmax > J_{11} + J_{33}$  then  $kmax := J_{11} + J_{33}$ ;
  if  $kmax > J_{12} + J_{23}$  then  $kmax := J_{12} + J_{23}$ ;
  for  $k := kmin$  step 2 until  $kmax$  do
     $NJ := NJ + (\text{if } k=2 \times (k\div 2) \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } -1) \times (k+1) \times$ 
       $SJS(J_{11}, J_{21}, J_{31}, J_{32}, J_{33}, k, factorial) \times$ 
       $SJS(J_{12}, J_{22}, J_{32}, J_{21}, k, J_{23}, factorial) \times$ 
       $SJS(J_{13}, J_{23}, J_{33}, k, J_{11}, J_{12}, factorial)$ ;
   $NJS := NJ$ 
end
end  $NJS$ 

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**ALGORITHM 262**  
**NUMBER OF RESTRICTED PARTITIONS OF  $N$**   
**[A1]**  
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```

procedure set ( $p, N$ ); integer  $N$ ; integer array  $p$ ;
comment The number of partitions of  $n$  with parts less than or equal to  $m$  is set in  $p[n, m]$  for all  $n, m$  such that  $N \geq n \geq m \geq 0$ .

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```

begin integer  $m, n$ ;
   $p[0, 0] := 1$ ;
  for  $n := 1$  step 1 until  $N$  do
    begin  $p[n, 0] := 0$ ;
      for  $m := 1$  step 1 until  $n$  do
         $p[n, m] := p[n, m-1] +$ 
           $p[n-m, \text{if } n-m < m \text{ then } n-m \text{ else } m]$ 
      end
    end
end set

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**ALGORITHM 263**  
**PARTITION GENERATOR [A1]**  
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```

procedure generate ( $p, N, position, ptn, length$ );
  integer array  $p, ptn$ ; integer  $N, length, position$ ;
comment The partitions of  $N$  may be mapped in their natural order,  $1 - 1$ , onto the consecutive integers from 0 to  $P(N)-1$  where  $P(N)(=p[N, N])$  is the number of unrestricted partitions of  $N$ . The array  $p$  is set by the procedure set [Algorithm 262, Number of Restricted Partitions of  $N$ , Comm. ACM 8 (Aug. 1965), 493]. On entry position contains the integer into which the partition is mapped. On exit length contains the number of parts and  $ptn[1: length]$  contains the parts of the partition in descending order.

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begin integer  $m, n, psn$ ;
   $n := N$ ;  $psn := position$ ;  $length := 0$ ;
   $A: length := length + 1$ ;  $m := 1$ ;
   $B: \text{if } p[n, m] < psn \text{ then } \text{begin } m := m + 1; \text{ go to } B \text{ end else}$ 
    if  $p[n, m] > psn$  then
       $C: \text{begin}$ 
         $ptn[length] := m$ ;  $psn := psn - p[n, m-1]$ ;  $n := n - m$ ;
        if  $n \neq 0$  then go to  $A$ ; go to  $D$ 
      end
        else  $m := m + 1$ ; go to  $C$ ;
     $D: \text{end generate}$ 

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**ALGORITHM 264**  
**MAP OF PARTITIONS INTO INTEGERS [A1]**  
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integer procedure place( $p, n, ptn$ ); value  $n$ ;
  integer array  $p, ptn$ ; integer  $n$ ;
comment place is the inverse of the procedure generate [Algorithm 263, Partition Generator, Comm. ACM 8 (Aug. 1965), 493]. The array  $p$  is set by the procedure set [Algorithm 262, Number of Restricted Partitions of  $N$ , Comm. ACM 8 (Aug. 1965), 493]. The procedure produces the integer into which the partition of  $n$ , stored in descending order of parts in  $ptn[1]$  onwards, is mapped;
begin integer  $j, d$ ;
   $d := 0$ ;
  if  $n = 0$  then go to  $B$ ;
   $j := 0$ ;
   $A: j := j + 1$ ;  $d := p[n, ptn[j]-1] + d$ ;  $n := n - ptn[j]$ ;
  if  $n \neq 0$  then go to  $A$ ;
   $B: place := d$ 
end place

```