

1) The Legendre polynomials $P_n(x)$ are defined by the Rodriguez formula:

$$P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^n [(x^2 - 1)^n] \quad (1)$$

2) Taking the Fourier transform (denoted by $\hat{P}_n(k)$) and using integration by parts n times:

$$\hat{P}_n(k) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \int \left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^n [(x^2 - 1)^n] e^{-ikx} dx \quad (2)$$

$$= i^n (-1)^n \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^n \left[\left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^n (x^2 - 1)^n \right]_{x=1} - \left[\left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^n (x^2 - 1)^n \right]_{x=-1} \quad (3)$$

3) Using $(x^2 - 1)^n = (2i)^n j_n(x)$, where $j_n(x)$ are spherical Bessel functions:

$$\hat{P}_n(k) = i^n (-1)^n \left(\frac{k}{2} \right)^n [j_n(k) - (-1)^n j_n(-k)] \quad (4)$$

4) Expressing the spherical Bessel functions in terms of Lommel polynomials $s_{\mu,\nu}(z)$:

$$j_n(z) = \left(\frac{z}{2} \right)^n s_{\nu,\mu}(z) \quad \text{where } \nu = n + \frac{1}{2}, \mu = -\frac{1}{2} \quad (5)$$

$$j_n(-z) = \left(\frac{z}{2} \right)^n s_{\nu,\mu}(-z) \quad \text{where } \nu = n, \mu = -\frac{3}{2} \quad (6)$$

5) Substituting this into the expression for $\hat{P}_n(k)$:

$$\hat{P}_n(k) = i^n (-1)^n \left(\frac{k}{2} \right)^n \left[s_{-\frac{1}{2}, n+\frac{1}{2}}(k) - (-1)^n s_{-\frac{3}{2}, n}(k) \right] \quad (7)$$

$$= i^n (-1)^n \left(\frac{k}{2} \right)^n \left[s_{-\frac{1}{2}, n+\frac{1}{2}}(k) + (n+1)^{-1} s_{-\frac{3}{2}, n}(k) \right] \quad (8)$$

Therefore, the Fourier transform $\hat{P}_n(k)$ of the Legendre polynomial $P_n(x)$ is:

$$\hat{P}_n(k) = i^n (-1)^n \left(\frac{k}{2} \right)^n \left[s_{-\frac{1}{2}, n+\frac{1}{2}}(k) + (n+1)^{-1} s_{-\frac{3}{2}, n}(k) \right] \quad (9)$$

Where $s_{\mu,\nu}(z)$ are the Lommel polynomials defined in terms of the generalized hypergeometric function ${}_pF_q$ as:

$$s_{\mu,\nu}(z) = \left(\frac{z}{2} \right)^\nu {}_pF_q(\nu+1; \mu+\nu+1, \nu+1; -\left(\frac{z}{2} \right)^2) \quad (10)$$