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$$A = \pi r^2$$

$$\frac{\gamma}{\epsilon x} r^2 = 2r \quad (1)$$

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$$T_{nn''}^{mm''} = \begin{cases} \frac{(q+p'')!(p-p'')!}{(q-q'')!(p+q'')!} a^{m-m''} b^{n''} P_{p-p''}^{(m-m'',n'')} (1-2A^2) P_{p-p''}^{(m-m'',n'')} (2B^2-1) \\ \text{when } n-n'' \geq m-m'' \geq 0, \\ \\ \frac{(p+q'')!(q-q'')!}{(p-p'')!(q+p'')!} a^{m''-m} b^{n''} P_{q-q''}^{(m''-m,n'')} (1-2A^2) P_{q-q''}^{(m''-m,n'')} (2B^2-1) \\ \text{when } n-n'' \geq m''-m \geq 0, \\ \\ 0 \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

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