

BESSEL'S DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

$$24.1 \quad x^2 y'' + xy' + (x^2 - n^2)y = 0 \quad n \geq 0$$

Solutions of this equation are called *Bessel functions of order n* .

BESSEL FUNCTIONS OF THE FIRST KIND OF ORDER n

$$24.2 \quad J_n(x) = \frac{x^n}{2^n \Gamma(n+1)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{x^2}{2(2n+2)} + \frac{x^4}{2 \cdot 4(2n+2)(2n+4)} - \dots \right\}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (x/2)^{n+2k}}{k! \Gamma(n+k+1)}$$

$$24.3 \quad J_{-n}(x) = \frac{x^{-n}}{2^{-n} \Gamma(1-n)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{x^2}{2(2-2n)} + \frac{x^4}{2 \cdot 4(2-2n)(4-2n)} - \dots \right\}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (x/2)^{2k-n}}{k! \Gamma(k+1-n)}$$

$$24.4 \quad J_{-n}(x) = (-1)^n J_n(x) \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

If $n \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots$, $J_n(x)$ and $J_{-n}(x)$ are linearly independent.

If $n \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots$, $J_n(x)$ is bounded at $x = 0$ while $J_{-n}(x)$ is unbounded.

For $n = 0, 1$ we have

$$24.5 \quad J_0(x) = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2^2} + \frac{x^4}{2^2 \cdot 4^2} - \frac{x^6}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \cdot 6^2} + \dots$$

$$24.6 \quad J_1(x) = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^3}{2^2 \cdot 4} + \frac{x^5}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \cdot 6} - \frac{x^7}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \cdot 6^2 \cdot 8} + \dots$$

$$24.7 \quad J_0'(x) = -J_1(x)$$

BESSEL FUNCTIONS OF THE SECOND KIND OF ORDER n

$$24.8 \quad Y_n(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{J_n(x) \cos n\pi - J_{-n}(x)}{\sin n\pi} & n \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ \lim_{p \rightarrow n} \frac{J_p(x) \cos p\pi - J_{-p}(x)}{\sin p\pi} & n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{cases}$$

This is also called *Weber's function* or *Neumann's function* [also denoted by $N_n(x)$].

For $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, L'Hospital's rule yields

$$24.9 \quad Y_n(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \{ \ln(x/2) + \gamma \} J_n(x) - \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(n-k-1)!}{k!} (x/2)^{2k-n} \\ - \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \{ \Phi(k) + \Phi(n+k) \} \frac{(x/2)^{2k+n}}{k!(n+k)!}$$

where $\gamma = .5772156\dots$ is Euler's constant [page 1] and

$$24.10 \quad \Phi(p) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{p}, \quad \Phi(0) = 0$$

For $n = 0$,

$$24.11 \quad Y_0(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \{ \ln(x/2) + \gamma \} J_0(x) + \frac{2}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{x^2}{2^2} - \frac{x^4}{2^2 4^2} (1 + \frac{1}{2}) + \frac{x^6}{2^2 4^2 6^2} (1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}) - \dots \right\}$$

$$24.12 \quad Y_{-n}(x) = (-1)^n Y_n(x) \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

For any value $n \geq 0$, $J_n(x)$ is bounded at $x = 0$ while $Y_n(x)$ is unbounded.

GENERAL SOLUTION OF BESSEL'S DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

$$24.13 \quad y = AJ_n(x) + BJ_{-n}(x) \quad n \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$24.14 \quad y = AJ_n(x) + BY_n(x) \quad \text{all } n$$

$$24.15 \quad y = AJ_n(x) + BJ_n(x) \int \frac{dx}{xJ_n^2(x)} \quad \text{all } n$$

where A and B are arbitrary constants.

GENERATING FUNCTION FOR $J_n(x)$

$$24.16 \quad e^{x(t-1/t)/2} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} J_n(x)t^n$$

RECURRENCE FORMULAS FOR BESSEL FUNCTIONS

$$24.17 \quad J_{n+1}(x) = \frac{2n}{x} J_n(x) - J_{n-1}(x)$$

$$24.18 \quad J'_n(x) = \frac{1}{2} \{ J_{n-1}(x) - J_{n+1}(x) \}$$

$$24.19 \quad xJ'_n(x) = xJ_{n-1}(x) - nJ_n(x)$$

$$24.20 \quad xJ'_n(x) = nJ_n(x) - xJ_{n+1}(x)$$

$$24.21 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \{ x^n J_n(x) \} = x^n J_{n-1}(x)$$

$$24.22 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \{ x^{-n} J_n(x) \} = -x^{-n} J_{n+1}(x)$$

The functions $Y_n(x)$ satisfy identical relations.

BESSEL FUNCTIONS OF ORDER EQUAL TO HALF AN ODD INTEGER

In this case the functions are expressible in terms of sines and cosines.

$$24.23 \quad J_{1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin x$$

$$24.26 \quad J_{-3/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left(\frac{\cos x}{x} + \sin x \right)$$

$$24.24 \quad J_{-1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \cos x$$

$$24.27 \quad J_{5/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{x^2} - 1 \right) \sin x - \frac{3}{x} \cos x \right\}$$

$$24.25 \quad J_{3/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} - \cos x \right)$$

$$24.28 \quad J_{-5/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left\{ \frac{3}{x} \sin x + \left(\frac{3}{x^2} - 1 \right) \cos x \right\}$$

For further results use the recurrence formula. Results for $Y_{1/2}(x), Y_{3/2}(x), \dots$ are obtained from 24.8.

HANKEL FUNCTIONS OF FIRST AND SECOND KINDS OF ORDER n

$$24.29 \quad H_n^{(1)}(x) = J_n(x) + iY_n(x)$$

$$24.30 \quad H_n^{(2)}(x) = J_n(x) - iY_n(x)$$

BESSEL'S MODIFIED DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

$$24.31 \quad x^2 y'' + xy' - (x^2 + n^2)y = 0 \quad n \geq 0$$

Solutions of this equation are called *modified Bessel functions of order n* .

MODIFIED BESSEL FUNCTIONS OF THE FIRST KIND OF ORDER n

$$24.32 \quad I_n(x) = i^{-n} J_n(ix) = e^{-n\pi i/2} J_n(ix)$$

$$= \frac{x^n}{2^n \Gamma(n+1)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{x^2}{2(2n+2)} + \frac{x^4}{2 \cdot 4(2n+2)(2n+4)} + \dots \right\} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x/2)^{n+2k}}{k! \Gamma(n+k+1)}$$

24.33

$$I_{-n}(x) = i^n J_{-n}(ix) = e^{n\pi i/2} J_{-n}(ix)$$

$$= \frac{x^{-n}}{2^{-n} \Gamma(1-n)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{x^2}{2(2-2n)} + \frac{x^4}{2 \cdot 4(2-2n)(4-2n)} + \dots \right\} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x/2)^{2k-n}}{k! \Gamma(k+1-n)}$$

24.34

$$I_{-n}(x) = I_n(x) \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

If $n \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots$, then $I_n(x)$ and $I_{-n}(x)$ are linearly independent.

For $n = 0, 1$, we have

$$24.35 \quad I_0(x) = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2^2} + \frac{x^4}{2^2 \cdot 4^2} + \frac{x^6}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \cdot 6^2} + \dots$$

$$24.36 \quad I_1(x) = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^3}{2^2 \cdot 4} + \frac{x^5}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \cdot 6} + \frac{x^7}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \cdot 6^2 \cdot 8} + \dots$$

$$24.37 \quad I_0'(x) = I_1(x)$$

MODIFIED BESSEL FUNCTIONS OF THE SECOND KIND OF ORDER n

$$24.38 \quad K_n(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{2 \sin n\pi} \{I_{-n}(x) - I_n(x)\} & n \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ \lim_{p \rightarrow n} \frac{\pi}{2 \sin p\pi} \{I_{-p}(x) - I_p(x)\} & n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{cases}$$

For $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, L'Hospital's rule yields

$$24.39 \quad K_n(x) = (-1)^{n+1} \{ \ln(x/2) + \gamma \} I_n(x) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k (n-k-1)! (x/2)^{2k-n} + \frac{(-1)^n}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x/2)^{n+2k}}{k! (n+k)!} \{ \Phi(k) + \Phi(n+k) \}$$

where $\Phi(p)$ is given by 24.10.

For $n = 0$,

$$24.40 \quad K_0(x) = -\{ \ln(x/2) + \gamma \} I_0(x) + \frac{x^2}{2^2} + \frac{x^4}{2^2 \cdot 4^2} (1 + \frac{1}{2}) + \frac{x^6}{2^2 \cdot 4^2 \cdot 6^2} (1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}) + \dots$$

$$24.41 \quad K_{-n}(x) = K_n(x) \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

GENERAL SOLUTION OF BESSEL'S MODIFIED EQUATION

$$24.42 \quad y = A I_n(x) + B I_{-n}(x) \quad n \neq 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$24.43 \quad y = A I_n(x) + B K_n(x) \quad \text{all } n$$

$$24.44 \quad y = A I_n(x) + B I_n(x) \int \frac{dx}{x I_n^2(x)} \quad \text{all } n$$

where A and B are arbitrary constants.

GENERATING FUNCTION FOR $I_n(x)$

$$24.45 \quad e^{x(t+1/t)/2} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} I_n(x) t^n$$

RECURRENCE FORMULAS FOR MODIFIED BESSEL FUNCTIONS

$$24.46 \quad I_{n+1}(x) = I_{n-1}(x) - \frac{2n}{x} I_n(x)$$

$$24.52 \quad K_{n+1}(x) = K_{n-1}(x) + \frac{2n}{x} K_n(x)$$

$$24.47 \quad I'_n(x) = \frac{1}{2} \{ I_{n-1}(x) + I_{n+1}(x) \}$$

$$24.53 \quad K'_n(x) = \frac{1}{2} \{ K_{n-1}(x) + K_{n+1}(x) \}$$

$$24.48 \quad x I'_n(x) = x I_{n-1}(x) - n I_n(x)$$

$$24.54 \quad x K'_n(x) = -x K_{n-1}(x) - n K_n(x)$$

$$24.49 \quad x I'_n(x) = x I_{n+1}(x) + n I_n(x)$$

$$24.55 \quad x K'_n(x) = n K_n(x) - x K_{n+1}(x)$$

$$24.50 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \{ x^n I_n(x) \} = x^n I_{n-1}(x)$$

$$24.56 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \{ x^n K_n(x) \} = -x^n K_{n-1}(x)$$

$$24.51 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \{ x^{-n} I_n(x) \} = x^{-n} I_{n+1}(x)$$

$$24.57 \quad \frac{d}{dx} \{ x^{-n} K_n(x) \} = -x^{-n} K_{n+1}(x)$$

MODIFIED BESSEL FUNCTIONS OF ORDER EQUAL TO HALF AN ODD INTEGER

In this case the functions are expressible in terms of hyperbolic sines and cosines.

$$24.58 \quad I_{1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sinh x$$

$$24.61 \quad I_{-3/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left(\sinh x - \frac{\cosh x}{x} \right)$$

$$24.59 \quad I_{-1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \cosh x$$

$$24.62 \quad I_{5/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{x^2} + 1 \right) \sinh x - \frac{3}{x} \cosh x \right\}$$

$$24.60 \quad I_{3/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left(\cosh x - \frac{\sinh x}{x} \right)$$

$$24.63 \quad I_{-5/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{x^2} + 1 \right) \cosh x - \frac{3}{x} \sinh x \right\}$$

For further results use the recurrence formula 24.46. Results for $K_{1/2}(x), K_{3/2}(x), \dots$ are obtained from 24.38.

Ber AND Bei FUNCTIONS

The real and imaginary parts of $J_n(xe^{3\pi i/4})$ are denoted by $\text{Ber}_n(x)$ and $\text{Bei}_n(x)$ where

$$24.64 \quad \text{Ber}_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x/2)^{2k+n}}{k! \Gamma(n+k+1)} \cos \frac{(3n+2k)\pi}{4}$$

$$24.65 \quad \text{Bei}_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x/2)^{2k+n}}{k! \Gamma(n+k+1)} \sin \frac{(3n+2k)\pi}{4}$$

If $n = 0$,

$$24.66 \quad \text{Ber}(x) = 1 - \frac{(x/2)^4}{2!^2} + \frac{(x/2)^8}{4!^2} - \dots$$

$$24.67 \quad \text{Bei}(x) = (x/2)^2 - \frac{(x/2)^6}{3!^2} + \frac{(x/2)^{10}}{5!^2} - \dots$$

Ker AND Kei FUNCTIONS

The real and imaginary parts of $e^{-n\pi i/2} K_n(xe^{\pi i/4})$ are denoted by $\text{Ker}_n(x)$ and $\text{Kei}_n(x)$ where

$$24.68 \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Ker}_n(x) = & -\{\ln(x/2) + \gamma\} \text{Ber}_n(x) + \frac{1}{4}\pi \text{Bei}_n(x) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(n-k-1)! (x/2)^{2k-n}}{k!} \cos \frac{(3n+2k)\pi}{4} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x/2)^{n+2k}}{k! (n+k)!} \{\Phi(k) + \Phi(n+k)\} \cos \frac{(3n+2k)\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$24.69 \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Kei}_n(x) = & -\{\ln(x/2) + \gamma\} \text{Bei}_n(x) - \frac{1}{4}\pi \text{Ber}_n(x) \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(n-k-1)! (x/2)^{2k-n}}{k!} \sin \frac{(3n+2k)\pi}{4} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x/2)^{n+2k}}{k! (n+k)!} \{\Phi(k) + \Phi(n+k)\} \sin \frac{(3n+2k)\pi}{4} \end{aligned}$$

and Φ is given by 24.10, page 137.

If $n = 0$,

$$24.70 \quad \text{Ker}(x) = -\{\ln(x/2) + \gamma\} \text{Ber}(x) + \frac{\pi}{4} \text{Bei}(x) + 1 - \frac{(x/2)^4}{2!^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{(x/2)^8}{4!^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4}\right) - \dots$$

$$24.71 \quad \text{Kei}(x) = -\{\ln(x/2) + \gamma\} \text{Bei}(x) - \frac{\pi}{4} \text{Ber}(x) + (x/2)^2 - \frac{(x/2)^6}{3!^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8}\right) + \dots$$

DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION FOR Ber, Bei, Ker, Kei FUNCTIONS

24.72
$$x^2y'' + xy' - (ix^2 + n^2)y = 0$$

The general solution of this equation is

24.73
$$y = A\{\text{Ber}_n(x) + i \text{Bei}_n(x)\} + B\{\text{Ker}_n(x) + i \text{Kei}_n(x)\}$$

GRAPHS OF BESSEL FUNCTIONS

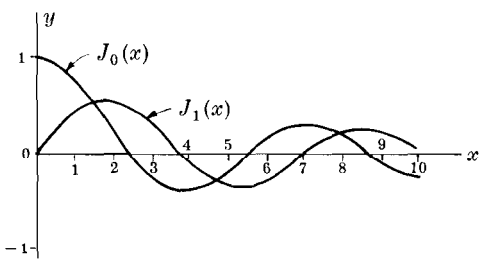


Fig. 24-1

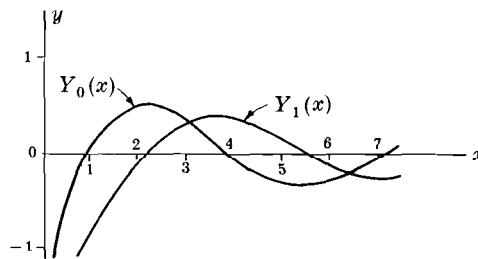


Fig. 24-2

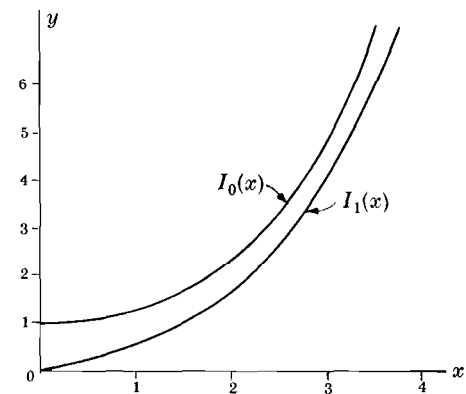


Fig. 24-3

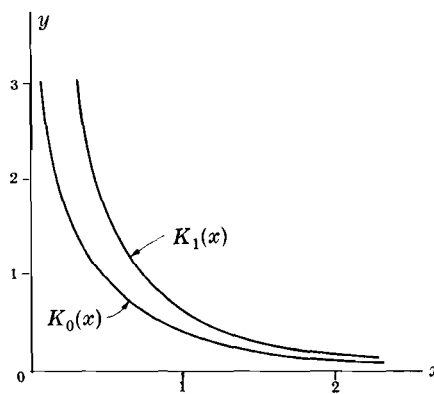


Fig. 24-4

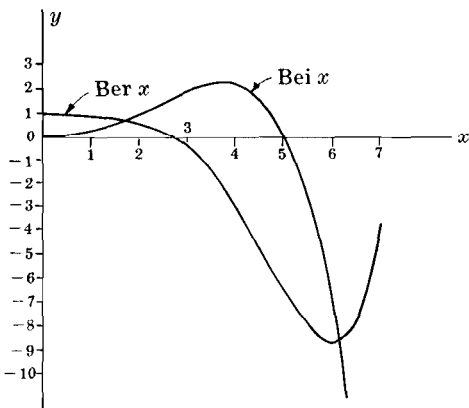


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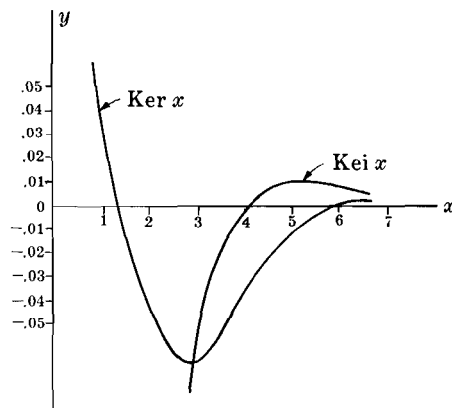


Fig. 24-6

INDEFINITE INTEGRALS INVOLVING BESSEL FUNCTIONS

$$24.74 \quad \int x J_0(x) dx = x J_1(x)$$

$$24.75 \quad \int x^2 J_0(x) dx = x^2 J_1(x) + x J_0(x) - \int J_0(x) dx$$

$$24.76 \quad \int x^m J_0(x) dx = x^m J_1(x) + (m-1)x^{m-1} J_0(x) - (m-1)^2 \int x^{m-2} J_0(x) dx$$

$$24.77 \quad \int \frac{J_0(x)}{x^2} dx = J_1(x) - \frac{J_0(x)}{x} - \int J_0(x) dx$$

$$24.78 \quad \int \frac{J_0(x)}{x^m} dx = \frac{J_1(x)}{(m-1)^2 x^{m-2}} - \frac{J_0(x)}{(m-1)x^{m-1}} - \frac{1}{(m-1)^2} \int \frac{J_0(x)}{x^{m-2}} dx$$

$$24.79 \quad \int J_1(x) dx = -J_0(x)$$

$$24.80 \quad \int x J_1(x) dx = -x J_0(x) + \int J_0(x) dx$$

$$24.81 \quad \int x^m J_1(x) dx = -x^m J_0(x) + m \int x^{m-1} J_0(x) dx$$

$$24.82 \quad \int \frac{J_1(x)}{x} dx = -J_1(x) + \int J_0(x) dx$$

$$24.83 \quad \int \frac{J_1(x)}{x^m} dx = -\frac{J_1(x)}{m x^{m-1}} + \frac{1}{m} \int \frac{J_0(x)}{x^{m-1}} dx$$

$$24.84 \quad \int x^n J_{n-1}(x) dx = x^n J_n(x)$$

$$24.85 \quad \int x^{-n} J_{n+1}(x) dx = -x^{-n} J_n(x)$$

$$24.86 \quad \int x^m J_n(x) dx = -x^m J_{n-1}(x) + (m+n-1) \int x^{m-1} J_{n-1}(x) dx$$

$$24.87 \quad \int x J_n(\alpha x) J_n(\beta x) dx = \frac{x\{\alpha J_n(\beta x) J_n'(\alpha x) - \beta J_n(\alpha x) J_n'(\beta x)\}}{\beta^2 - \alpha^2}$$

$$24.88 \quad \int x J_n^2(\alpha x) dx = \frac{x^2}{2} \{J_n'(\alpha x)\}^2 + \frac{x^2}{2} \left(1 - \frac{n^2}{\alpha^2 x^2}\right) \{J_n(\alpha x)\}^2$$

The above results also hold if we replace $J_n(x)$ by $Y_n(x)$ or, more generally, $A J_n(x) + B Y_n(x)$ where A and B are constants.

DEFINITE INTEGRALS INVOLVING BESSEL FUNCTIONS

$$24.89 \quad \int_0^\infty e^{-ax} J_0(bx) dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$24.90 \quad \int_0^\infty e^{-ax} J_n(bx) dx = \frac{(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} - a)^n}{b^n \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \quad n > -1$$

$$24.91 \quad \int_0^\infty \cos ax J_0(bx) dx = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}} & a > b \\ 0 & a < b \end{cases}$$

$$24.92 \quad \int_0^\infty J_n(bx) dx = \frac{1}{b} \quad n > -1$$

$$24.93 \quad \int_0^\infty \frac{J_n(bx)}{x} dx = \frac{1}{n} \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$24.94 \quad \int_0^\infty e^{-ax} J_0(b\sqrt{x}) dx = \frac{e^{-b^2/4a}}{a}$$

$$24.95 \quad \int_0^1 x J_n(\alpha x) J_n(\beta x) dx = \frac{\alpha J_n(\beta) J_n'(\alpha) - \beta J_n(\alpha) J_n'(\beta)}{\beta^2 - \alpha^2}$$

$$24.96 \quad \int_0^1 x J_n^2(\alpha x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \{J_n'(\alpha)\}^2 + \frac{1}{2} (1 - n^2/\alpha^2) \{J_n(\alpha)\}^2$$

$$24.97 \quad \int_0^1 x J_0(\alpha x) I_0(\beta x) dx = \frac{\beta J_0(\alpha) I_0'(\beta) - \alpha J_0'(\alpha) I_0(\beta)}{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}$$

INTEGRAL REPRESENTATIONS FOR BESSEL FUNCTIONS

$$24.98 \quad J_0(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos(x \sin \theta) d\theta$$

$$24.99 \quad J_n(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos(n\theta - x \sin \theta) d\theta, \quad n = \text{integer}$$

$$24.100 \quad J_n(x) = \frac{x^n}{2^n \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\pi \cos(x \sin \theta) \cos^{2n} \theta d\theta, \quad n > -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$24.101 \quad Y_0(x) = -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \cos(x \cosh u) du$$

$$24.102 \quad I_0(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \cosh(x \sin \theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{x \sin \theta} d\theta$$

ASYMPTOTIC EXPANSIONS

$$24.103 \quad J_n(x) \sim \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \cos\left(x - \frac{n\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \quad \text{where } x \text{ is large}$$

$$24.104 \quad Y_n(x) \sim \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin\left(x - \frac{n\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \quad \text{where } x \text{ is large}$$

$$24.105 \quad J_n(x) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} \left(\frac{ex}{2n}\right)^n \quad \text{where } n \text{ is large}$$

$$24.106 \quad Y_n(x) \sim -\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi n}} \left(\frac{ex}{2n}\right)^{-n} \quad \text{where } n \text{ is large}$$

$$24.107 \quad I_n(x) \sim \frac{e^x}{\sqrt{2\pi x}} \quad \text{where } x \text{ is large}$$

$$24.108 \quad K_n(x) \sim \frac{e^{-x}}{\sqrt{2\pi x}} \quad \text{where } x \text{ is large}$$

ORTHOGONAL SERIES OF BESSEL FUNCTIONS

Let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots$ be the positive roots of $R J_n(x) + Sx J_n'(x) = 0$, $n > -1$. Then the following series expansions hold under the conditions indicated.

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| $S = 0, R \neq 0$, i.e. $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots$ are positive roots of $J_n(x) = 0$ | |
| 24.109 | $f(x) = A_1 J_n(\lambda_1 x) + A_2 J_n(\lambda_2 x) + A_3 J_n(\lambda_3 x) + \dots$ |
| where | |
| 24.110 | $A_k = \frac{2}{J_{n+1}^2(\lambda_k)} \int_0^1 x f(x) J_n(\lambda_k x) dx$ |
| In particular if $n = 0$, | |
| 24.111 | $f(x) = A_1 J_0(\lambda_1 x) + A_2 J_0(\lambda_2 x) + A_3 J_0(\lambda_3 x) + \dots$ |
| where | |
| 24.112 | $A_k = \frac{2}{J_1^2(\lambda_k)} \int_0^1 x f(x) J_0(\lambda_k x) dx$ |
| $R/S > -n$ | |
| 24.113 | $f(x) = A_1 J_n(\lambda_1 x) + A_2 J_n(\lambda_2 x) + A_3 J_n(\lambda_3 x) + \dots$ |
| where | |
| 24.114 | $A_k = \frac{2}{J_n^2(\lambda_k) - J_{n-1}(\lambda_k) J_{n+1}(\lambda_k)} \int_0^1 x f(x) J_n(\lambda_k x) dx$ |
| In particular if $n = 0$, | |
| 24.115 | $f(x) = A_1 J_0(\lambda_1 x) + A_2 J_0(\lambda_2 x) + A_3 J_0(\lambda_3 x) + \dots$ |
| where | |
| 24.116 | $A_k = \frac{2}{J_0^2(\lambda_k) + J_1^2(\lambda_k)} \int_0^1 x f(x) J_0(\lambda_k x) dx$ |
| $R/S = -n$ | |
| 24.117 | $f(x) = A_0 x^n + A_1 J_n(\lambda_1 x) + A_2 J_n(\lambda_2 x) + \dots$ |
| where | |
| 24.118 | $\begin{cases} A_0 = 2(n+1) \int_0^1 x^{n+1} f(x) dx \\ A_k = \frac{2}{J_n^2(\lambda_k) - J_{n-1}(\lambda_k) J_{n+1}(\lambda_k)} \int_0^1 x f(x) J_n(\lambda_k x) dx \end{cases}$ |
| In particular if $n = 0$ so that $R = 0$ [i.e. $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots$ are the positive roots of $J_1(x) = 0$], | |
| 24.119 | $f(x) = A_0 + A_1 J_0(\lambda_1 x) + A_2 J_0(\lambda_2 x) + \dots$ |
| where | |
| 24.120 | $\begin{cases} A_0 = 2 \int_0^1 x f(x) dx \\ A_k = \frac{2}{J_0^2(\lambda_k)} \int_0^1 x f(x) J_0(\lambda_k x) dx \end{cases}$ |

$$R/S < -n$$

In this case there are two pure imaginary roots $\pm i\lambda_0$ as well as the positive roots $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots$ and we have

24.121
$$f(x) = A_0 I_n(\lambda_0 x) + A_1 J_n(\lambda_1 x) + A_2 J_n(\lambda_2 x) + \dots$$

where

24.122
$$\begin{cases} A_0 = \frac{2}{I_n^2(\lambda_0) + I_{n-1}(\lambda_0) I_{n+1}(\lambda_0)} \int_0^1 x f(x) I_n(\lambda_0 x) dx \\ A_k = \frac{2}{J_n^2(\lambda_k) - J_{n-1}(\lambda_k) J_{n+1}(\lambda_k)} \int_0^1 x f(x) J_n(\lambda_k x) dx \end{cases}$$

MISCELLANEOUS RESULTS

24.123
$$\cos(x \sin \theta) = J_0(x) + 2 J_2(x) \cos 2\theta + 2 J_4(x) \cos 4\theta + \dots$$

24.124
$$\sin(x \sin \theta) = 2 J_1(x) \sin \theta + 2 J_3(x) \sin 3\theta + 2 J_5(x) \sin 5\theta + \dots$$

24.125
$$J_n(x+y) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} J_k(x) J_{n-k}(y) \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

This is called the *addition formula* for Bessel functions.

24.126
$$1 = J_0(x) + 2 J_2(x) + \dots + 2 J_{2n}(x) + \dots$$

24.127
$$x = 2\{J_1(x) + 3 J_3(x) + 5 J_5(x) + \dots + (2n+1) J_{2n+1}(x) + \dots\}$$

24.128
$$x^2 = 2\{4 J_2(x) + 16 J_4(x) + 36 J_6(x) + \dots + (2n)^2 J_{2n}(x) + \dots\}$$

24.129
$$\frac{x J_1(x)}{4} = J_2(x) - 2 J_4(x) + 3 J_6(x) - \dots$$

24.130
$$1 = J_0^2(x) + 2 J_1^2(x) + 2 J_2^2(x) + 2 J_3^2(x) + \dots$$

24.131
$$J_n''(x) = \frac{1}{4}\{J_{n-2}(x) - 2 J_n(x) + J_{n+2}(x)\}$$

24.132
$$J_n'''(x) = \frac{1}{8}\{J_{n-3}(x) - 3 J_{n-1}(x) + 3 J_{n+1}(x) - J_{n+3}(x)\}$$

Formulas 24.131 and 24.132 can be generalized.

24.133
$$J_n'(x) J_{-n}(x) - J_{-n}'(x) J_n(x) = \frac{2 \sin n\pi}{\pi x}$$

24.134
$$J_n(x) J_{-n+1}(x) + J_{-n}(x) J_{n-1}(x) = \frac{2 \sin n\pi}{\pi x}$$

24.135
$$J_{n+1}(x) Y_n(x) - J_n(x) Y_{n+1}(x) = J_n(x) Y_n'(x) - J_n'(x) Y_n(x) = \frac{2}{\pi x}$$

24.136
$$\sin x = 2\{J_1(x) - J_3(x) + J_5(x) - \dots\}$$

24.137
$$\cos x = J_0(x) - 2 J_2(x) + 2 J_4(x) - \dots$$

24.138
$$\sinh x = 2\{I_1(x) + I_3(x) + I_5(x) + \dots\}$$

24.139
$$\cosh x = I_0(x) + 2\{I_2(x) + I_4(x) + I_6(x) + \dots\}$$

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LEGENDRE FUNCTIONS

LEGENDRE'S DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

25.1 $(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + n(n+1)y = 0$

Solutions of this equation are called *Legendre functions of order n*.

LEGENDRE POLYNOMIALS

If $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, solutions of 25.1 are Legendre polynomials $P_n(x)$ given by *Rodrigue's formula*

25.2
$$P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (x^2 - 1)^n$$

SPECIAL LEGENDRE POLYNOMIALS

25.3 $P_0(x) = 1$

25.7 $P_4(x) = \frac{1}{8}(35x^4 - 30x^2 + 3)$

25.4 $P_1(x) = x$

25.8 $P_5(x) = \frac{1}{8}(63x^5 - 70x^3 + 15x)$

25.5 $P_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1)$

25.9 $P_6(x) = \frac{1}{16}(231x^6 - 315x^4 + 105x^2 - 5)$

25.6 $P_3(x) = \frac{1}{2}(5x^3 - 3x)$

25.10 $P_7(x) = \frac{1}{16}(429x^7 - 693x^5 + 315x^3 - 35x)$

LEGENDRE POLYNOMIALS IN TERMS OF θ WHERE $x = \cos \theta$

25.11 $P_0(\cos \theta) = 1$

25.14 $P_3(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{8}(3 \cos \theta + 5 \cos 3\theta)$

25.12 $P_1(\cos \theta) = \cos \theta$

25.15 $P_4(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{64}(9 + 20 \cos 2\theta + 35 \cos 4\theta)$

25.13 $P_2(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{4}(1 + 3 \cos 2\theta)$

25.16 $P_5(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{128}(30 \cos \theta + 35 \cos 3\theta + 63 \cos 5\theta)$

25.17 $P_6(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{512}(50 + 105 \cos 2\theta + 126 \cos 4\theta + 231 \cos 6\theta)$

25.18 $P_7(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{1024}(175 \cos \theta + 189 \cos 3\theta + 231 \cos 5\theta + 429 \cos 7\theta)$

GENERATING FUNCTION FOR LEGENDRE POLYNOMIALS

25.19
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2tx+t^2}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(x)t^n$$

RECURRENCE FORMULAS FOR LEGENDRE POLYNOMIALS

25.20 $(n+1)P_{n+1}(x) - (2n+1)xP_n(x) + nP_{n-1}(x) = 0$

25.21 $P'_{n+1}(x) - xP'_n(x) = (n+1)P_n(x)$

25.22 $xP'_n(x) - P'_{n-1}(x) = nP_n(x)$

25.23 $P'_{n+1}(x) - P'_{n-1}(x) = (2n+1)P_n(x)$

25.24 $(x^2-1)P'_n(x) = nxP_n(x) - nP_{n-1}(x)$

ORTHOGONALITY OF LEGENDRE POLYNOMIALS

25.25 $\int_{-1}^1 P_m(x)P_n(x) dx = 0 \quad m \neq n$

25.26 $\int_{-1}^1 \{P_n(x)\}^2 dx = \frac{2}{2n+1}$

Because of 25.25, $P_m(x)$ and $P_n(x)$ are called *orthogonal* in $-1 \leq x \leq 1$.

ORTHOGONAL SERIES OF LEGENDRE POLYNOMIALS

25.27 $f(x) = A_0P_0(x) + A_1P_1(x) + A_2P_2(x) + \dots$

where

25.28 $A_k = \frac{2k+1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(x)P_k(x) dx$

SPECIAL RESULTS INVOLVING LEGENDRE POLYNOMIALS

25.29 $P_n(1) = 1$ **25.30** $P_n(-1) = (-1)^n$ **25.31** $P_n(-x) = (-1)^n P_n(x)$

25.32 $P_n(0) = \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ odd} \\ (-1)^{n/2} \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (n-1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots n} & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$

25.33 $P_n(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi (x + \sqrt{x^2-1} \cos \phi)^n d\phi$

25.34 $\int P_n(x) dx = \frac{P_{n+1}(x) - P_{n-1}(x)}{2n+1}$

25.35 $|P_n(x)| \leq 1$

25.36 $P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^{n+1}\pi i} \oint_C \frac{(z^2-1)^n}{(z-x)^{n+1}} dz$

where C is a simple closed curve having x as interior point.

GENERAL SOLUTION OF LEGENDRE'S EQUATION

The general solution of Legendre's equation is

$$25.37 \quad y = A U_n(x) + B V_n(x)$$

where

$$25.38 \quad U_n(x) = 1 - \frac{n(n+1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{n(n-2)(n+1)(n+3)}{4!}x^4 - \dots$$

$$25.39 \quad V_n(x) = x - \frac{(n-1)(n+2)}{3!}x^3 + \frac{(n-1)(n-3)(n+2)(n+4)}{5!}x^5 - \dots$$

These series converge for $-1 < x < 1$.

LEGENDRE FUNCTIONS OF THE SECOND KIND

If $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ one of the series 25.38, 25.39 terminates. In such cases,

$$25.40 \quad P_n(x) = \begin{cases} U_n(x)/U_n(1) & n = 0, 2, 4, \dots \\ V_n(x)/V_n(1) & n = 1, 3, 5, \dots \end{cases}$$

where

$$25.41 \quad U_n(1) = (-1)^{n/2} 2^n \left[\left(\frac{n}{2} \right)! \right]^2 / n! \quad n = 0, 2, 4, \dots$$

$$25.42 \quad V_n(1) = (-1)^{(n-1)/2} 2^{n-1} \left[\left(\frac{n-1}{2} \right)! \right]^2 / n! \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

The nonterminating series in such case with a suitable multiplicative constant is denoted by $Q_n(x)$ and is called *Legendre's function of the second kind of order n* . We define

$$25.43 \quad Q_n(x) = \begin{cases} U_n(1) V_n(x) & n = 0, 2, 4, \dots \\ -V_n(1) U_n(x) & n = 1, 3, 5, \dots \end{cases}$$

SPECIAL LEGENDRE FUNCTIONS OF THE SECOND KIND

$$25.44 \quad Q_0(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x} \right)$$

$$25.45 \quad Q_1(x) = \frac{x}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x} \right) - 1$$

$$25.46 \quad Q_2(x) = \frac{3x^2-1}{4} \ln \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x} \right) - \frac{3x}{2}$$

$$25.47 \quad Q_3(x) = \frac{5x^3-3x}{4} \ln \left(\frac{1+x}{1-x} \right) - \frac{5x^2}{2} + \frac{2}{3}$$

The functions $Q_n(x)$ satisfy recurrence formulas exactly analogous to 25.20 through 25.24.

Using these, the general solution of Legendre's equation can also be written

$$25.48 \quad y = A P_n(x) + B Q_n(x)$$

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ASSOCIATED LEGENDRE FUNCTIONS

LEGENDRE'S ASSOCIATED DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

26.1

$$(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + \left\{ n(n+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right\} y = 0$$

Solutions of this equation are called *associated Legendre functions*. We restrict ourselves to the important case where m, n are nonnegative integers.

ASSOCIATED LEGENDRE FUNCTIONS OF THE FIRST KIND

26.2

$$P_n^m(x) = (1-x^2)^{m/2} \frac{d^m}{dx^m} P_n(x) = \frac{(1-x^2)^{m/2}}{2^n n!} \frac{d^{m+n}}{dx^{m+n}} (x^2-1)^n$$

where $P_n(x)$ are Legendre polynomials [page 146]. We have

26.3

$$P_n^0(x) = P_n(x)$$

26.4

$$P_n^m(x) = 0 \quad \text{if } m > n$$

SPECIAL ASSOCIATED LEGENDRE FUNCTIONS OF THE FIRST KIND

26.5 $P_1^1(x) = (1-x^2)^{1/2}$

26.8 $P_3^1(x) = \frac{3}{2}(5x^2-1)(1-x^2)^{1/2}$

26.6 $P_2^1(x) = 3x(1-x^2)^{1/2}$

26.9 $P_3^2(x) = 15x(1-x^2)$

26.7 $P_2^2(x) = 3(1-x^2)$

26.10 $P_3^3(x) = 15(1-x^2)^{3/2}$

GENERATING FUNCTION FOR $P_n^m(x)$

26.11

$$\frac{(2m)!(1-x^2)^{m/2} t^m}{2^m m! (1-2tx+t^2)^{m+1/2}} = \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} P_n^m(x) t^n$$

RECURRENCE FORMULAS

26.12

$$(n+1-m)P_{n+1}^m(x) - (2n+1)xP_n^m(x) + (n+m)P_{n-1}^m(x) = 0$$

26.13

$$P_n^{m+2}(x) - \frac{2(m+1)x}{(1-x^2)^{1/2}} P_n^{m+1}(x) + (n-m)(n+m+1)P_n^m(x) = 0$$

ORTHOGONALITY OF $P_n^m(x)$

$$26.14 \quad \int_{-1}^1 P_n^m(x) P_l^m(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{if } n \neq l$$

$$26.15 \quad \int_{-1}^1 \{P_n^m(x)\}^2 dx = \frac{2}{2n+1} \frac{(n+m)!}{(n-m)!}$$

ORTHOGONAL SERIES

$$26.16 \quad f(x) = A_m P_m^m(x) + A_{m+1} P_{m+1}^m(x) + A_{m+2} P_{m+2}^m(x) + \dots$$

where

$$26.17 \quad A_k = \frac{2k+1}{2} \frac{(k-m)!}{(k+m)!} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) P_k^m(x) dx$$

ASSOCIATED LEGENDRE FUNCTIONS OF THE SECOND KIND

$$26.18 \quad Q_n^m(x) = (1-x^2)^{m/2} \frac{d^m}{dx^m} Q_n(x)$$

where $Q_n(x)$ are Legendre functions of the second kind [page 148].

These functions are unbounded at $x = \pm 1$, whereas $P_n^m(x)$ are bounded at $x = \pm 1$.

The functions $Q_n^m(x)$ satisfy the same recurrence relations as $P_n^m(x)$ [see 26.12 and 26.13].

GENERAL SOLUTION OF LEGENDRE'S ASSOCIATED EQUATION

$$26.19 \quad y = A P_n^m(x) + B Q_n^m(x)$$