

12.6 The Fourier-Bessel Series

$$x^2 y'' + xy' + (\alpha^2 x^2 - \nu^2)y = 0$$

parametric Bessel equation of order ν

has general solution on $(0, \infty)$ of

$$y = c_1 J_\nu(\alpha x) + c_2 Y_\nu(\alpha x)$$

$J_\nu(x)$ is called a **Bessel function of the first kind** of order ν .

$$J_\nu(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n! \Gamma(1 + \nu + n)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n + \nu}$$

$Y_\nu(x)$ is called a **Bessel function of the second kind** of order ν .

For non-integer values of ν

$$Y_\nu(x) = \frac{\cos(\nu\pi) J_\nu(x) - J_{-\nu}(x)}{\sin(\nu\pi)}$$

For integer values (say n)

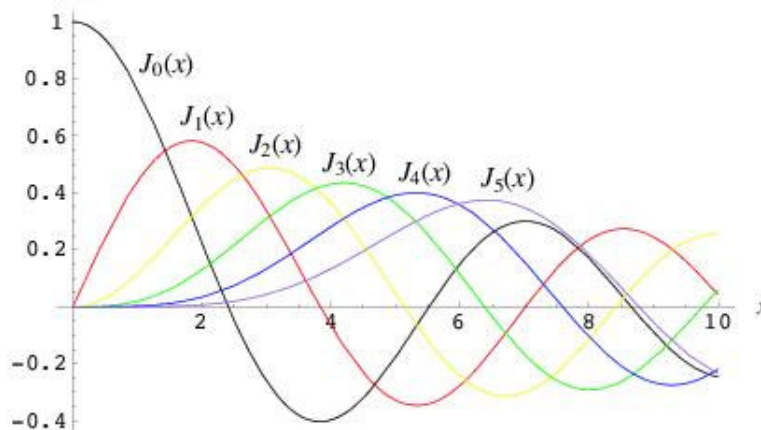
$$Y_n(x) = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow n} Y_\nu(x)$$

very important in the study of **boundary-value problems** involving partial differential equations expressed in **cylindrical coordinates**

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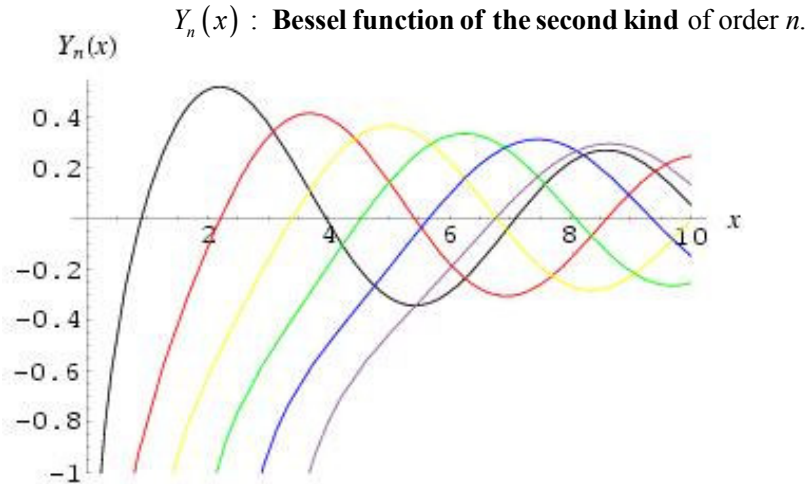
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The parametric Bessel differential equation becomes

$$x^2 y'' + xy' + (\alpha^2 x^2 - n^2)y = 0 \quad \text{with general solution on } (0, \infty) \text{ of}$$

$$y = c_1 J_n(\alpha x) + c_2 Y_n(\alpha x)$$

The self-adjoint form of the differential equation is:

$$\frac{d}{dx} [xy'] + \left(\alpha^2 x - \frac{n^2}{x} \right) y = 0 \quad \text{we can identify } r(x) = x, q(x) = -\frac{n^2}{x},$$

$$p(x) = x, \text{ and } \lambda = \alpha^2$$

This is called a singular Sturm-Liouville problem when we add the following conditions:

$$r(a) = 0 \text{ and instead of 2 boundary conditions we only have}$$

$$A_2 y(b) + B_2 y'(b) = 0$$

For orthogonality, we need the solutions to be bounded at $x = a$.

$$r(0) = 0 \text{ and we will only need}$$

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but $Y_n(0)$ is unbounded for all n , so for orthogonality we can only use $J_n(\alpha x)$

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$$y = c_1 J_n(\alpha x)$$

this gives a set of orthogonal functions

$$\{J_n(\alpha_1 x), J_n(\alpha_2 x), \dots, J_n(\alpha_i x), \dots\} \quad (\lambda_i = \alpha_i^2 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots)$$

that are orthogonal with respect to the weight function

$p(x) = x$ on the interval $[0, b]$

$$\int_0^b x J_n(\alpha_i x) J_n(\alpha_j x) dx = 0, \quad \lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$$

but this is all contingent upon the α_i being defined by a boundary condition at $x = b$ of the type

$$A_2 J_n(\alpha b) + B_2 J_n'(\alpha b) = 0$$

by the chain rule

$$J_n'(\alpha x) = J_n'(\alpha x) \frac{d}{dx}(\alpha x) = \alpha J_n'(\alpha x)$$

so the condition becomes:

$$A_2 J_n(\alpha b) + B_2 \alpha J_n'(\alpha b) = 0$$

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We are interested in taking a function $f(x)$ and expanding it using Fourier eigenfunction expansion.

So now for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, we have the Bessel functions of order n that will serve as our set of orthogonal functions used in the eigenfunction expansion of $f(x)$:

Let $n = 2$ for instance

$\{J_2(\alpha_1 x), J_2(\alpha_2 x), \dots, J_2(\alpha_i x), \dots\}$ is a set of orthogonal **eigenfunctions**

that are orthogonal with respect to the weight function

$p(x) = x$ on the interval $[0, b]$

with corresponding **eigenvalues** $\lambda_i = \alpha_i^2 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots$

The expansion of $f(x)$ with Bessel functions $\{J_n(\alpha_i x)\} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots$

is called a **Fourier – Bessel series**.

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i J_n(\alpha_i x) \quad \text{where } c_i = \frac{\int_0^b x J_n(\alpha_i x) f(x) dx}{\|J_n(\alpha_i x)\|^2}$$

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In order to find the coefficients c_i , we need 3 properties of the Bessel J function:

1. $J_n(-x) = (-1)^n J_n(x)$
2. $\frac{d}{dx} [x^n J_n(x)] = x^n J_{n-1}(x)$
3. $\frac{d}{dx} [x^{-n} J_n(x)] = -x^{-n} J_{n+1}(x)$

Three different versions of the boundary condition at $x = b$ lead to three different types of solutions

1. $J_n(\alpha b) = 0$
2. $hJ_n(\alpha b) + \alpha b J_n'(\alpha b) = 0$ we'll have 3 different results for $\|J_n(\alpha_i x)\|^2$
3. $J_0'(\alpha b) = 0$

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$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i J_n(\alpha_i x)$$

$$c_i = \frac{2}{b^2 [J_{n+1}(\alpha_i b)]^2} \int_0^b x J_n(\alpha_i x) f(x) dx$$

when the α_i defined by
the boundary condition $J_n(\alpha b) = 0$

example:

#8 $f(x) = x^2, \quad 0 < x < 1$

$J_2(\alpha) = 0$

$b = 1, n = 2, f(x) = x^2$

$$c_i = \frac{2}{[J_3(\alpha_i)]^2} \int_0^1 x^3 J_2(\alpha_i x) dx$$

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$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i J_n(\alpha_i x)$$

$$c_i = \frac{2\alpha_i^2}{(\alpha_i^2 b^2 - n^2 + h^2) [J_n(\alpha_i b)]^2} \int_0^b x J_n(\alpha_i x) f(x) dx$$

when the α_i defined by
the boundary condition

$$hJ_n(\alpha b) + \alpha b J_n'(\alpha b) = 0$$

example :

$$\#6 \quad f(x) = 1, \quad 0 < x < 2$$

$$J_0(2\alpha) + \alpha J_0'(2\alpha) = 0$$

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$$f(x) = c_1 + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} c_i J_0(\alpha_i x) \quad c_1 = \frac{2}{b^2} \int_0^b x f(x) dx$$

$$c_i = \frac{2}{b^2 [J_0(\alpha_i b)]^2} \int_0^b x J_0(\alpha_i x) f(x) dx$$

when the α_i defined by
the boundary condition $J_0'(\alpha b) = 0$

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$J_2(\alpha) = 0$

$$c_i = \frac{2}{[J_3(\alpha_i)]^2} \int_0^1 x^3 J_2(\alpha_i x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} x=0 &\Rightarrow t=0 \\ \text{let } t &= \alpha_i x \quad x=1 \Rightarrow t=\alpha_i \\ dt &= \alpha_i dx \Rightarrow dx = \frac{1}{\alpha_i} dt \\ x = \frac{t}{\alpha_i} &\Rightarrow x^3 = \frac{t^3}{\alpha_i^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$c_i = \frac{2}{[J_3(\alpha_i)]^2} \int_0^{\alpha_i} \frac{t^3}{\alpha_i^3} J_2(t) \frac{dt}{\alpha_i}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^n J_n(x)] = x^n J_{n-1}(x) \quad c_i = \frac{2}{\alpha_i^4 [J_3(\alpha_i)]^2} \int_0^{\alpha_i} t^3 J_2(t) dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} [t^3 J_3(t)] = t^3 J_2(t) \quad c_i = \frac{2}{\alpha_i^4 [J_3(\alpha_i)]^2} \int_0^{\alpha_i} \frac{d}{dt} [t^3 J_3(t)] dt$$

$$c_i = \frac{2}{\alpha_i^4 [J_3(\alpha_i)]^2} [t^3 J_3(t)]_0^{\alpha_i} = \frac{2 [\alpha_i^3 J_3(\alpha_i)]}{\alpha_i^4 [J_3(\alpha_i)]^2}$$

$$c_i = \frac{2}{\alpha_i J_3(\alpha_i)}$$

$$f(x) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\alpha_i J_3(\alpha_i)} J_2(\alpha_i x)$$