

**Problem Set for Bessel Equations  
and Bessel Functions**

**Due Date: March 11, 2004**

1. By means of power series, asymptotic expansions, polynomial approximations or Tables, compute to 6 decimal places the following Bessel functions:

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| a) $J_0(x)$ | e) $Y_0(x)$ |
| b) $J_1(y)$ | f) $Y_1(y)$ |
| c) $I_0(z)$ | g) $K_0(z)$ |
| d) $I_1(z)$ | h) $K_1(z)$ |

given

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 3.83171 \\y &= 2.40482 \\z &= 1.75755\end{aligned}$$

2. Compute to 6 decimal places the first six roots  $x_n$  of the transcendental equation

$$x J_1(x) - B J_0(x) = 0 \qquad B \geq 0$$

when  $B = 0.1, 1.0, 10,$  and  $100$ .

3. Compute to 4 decimal places the coefficients  $A_n (n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)$  given

$$A_n = \frac{2B}{(x_n^2 + B^2) J_0(x_n)}$$

for  $B = 0.1, 1.0, 10,$  and  $100$ . The  $x_n$  are the roots found in Problem 2.

4. Compute to 4 decimal places the coefficients  $B_n (n = 1, 2, 3, 4)$  given

$$B_n = \frac{2A_n J_1(x_n)}{x_n}$$

for  $B = 0.1, 1.0, 10,$  and  $100$ . The  $x_n$  are the roots found in Problem 2 and the  $A_n$  are the coefficients found in Problem 3.

5. The fin efficiency of a longitudinal fin of convex parabolic profile is given as

$$\eta = \frac{1}{\gamma} \frac{I_{2/3}(4\sqrt{\gamma}/3)}{I_{-2/3}(4\sqrt{\gamma}/3)}$$

Compute  $\eta$  for  $\gamma = 3.178$ .

6. The fin efficiency of a longitudinal fin of triangular profile is given by

$$\eta = \frac{1}{\gamma} \frac{I_1(2\sqrt{\gamma})}{I_0(2\sqrt{\gamma})}$$

Compute  $\eta$  for  $\gamma = 0.5, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0,$  and  $4.0$ .

7. The fin efficiency of a radial fin of rectangular profile is given by

$$\eta = \frac{2\rho}{x(1-\rho^2)} \left\{ \frac{I_1(x)K_1(\rho x) - K_1(x)I_1(\rho x)}{I_0(\rho x)K_1(x) - I_1(x)K_0(\rho x)} \right\}$$

Compute the efficiency for  $x = 2.24, \rho x = 0.894$ .

Ans:  $\eta = 0.537$

8. Show that

$$\text{i) } J'_0(x) = J_1(x)$$

$$\text{ii) } \frac{d}{dx} [xJ_1(x)] = xJ_0(x)$$

9. Given the function

$$f(x) = xJ_1(x) - B J_0(x) \quad \text{with } B = \text{constant} \geq 0$$

determine  $f', f'',$  and  $f'''$ . Reduce all expressions to functions of  $J_0(x), J_1(x)$  and  $B$  only.

10. Show that

$$\text{i) } \int x^2 J_0(x) dx = x^2 J_1(x) + xJ_0(x) - \int J_0(x) dx$$

$$\text{ii) } \int x^3 J_0(x) dx = x(x^2 - 4) J_1(x) + 2x^2 J_0(x)$$

11. Show that

$$\text{i)} \quad \int_0^1 x J_0(\lambda x) \, dx = \frac{1}{\lambda} J_1(\lambda)$$

$$\text{ii)} \quad \int_0^1 x^3 J_0(\lambda x) \, dx = \frac{\lambda^2 - 4}{\lambda^3} J_1(\lambda) + \frac{2}{\lambda^2} J_0(\lambda)$$

12. If  $\delta$  is any root of the equation  $J_0(x) = 0$ , show that

$$\text{i)} \quad \int_0^1 J_1(\delta x) \, dx = \frac{1}{\delta}$$

$$\text{ii)} \quad \int_0^\delta J_1(x) \, dx = 1$$

13. If  $\delta(> 0)$  is a root of the equation  $J_1(x) = 0$  show that

$$\int_0^1 x J_0(\delta x) \, dx = 0$$

14. Given the Fourier-Bessel expansion of  $f(x)$  of zero order over the interval  $0 \leq x \leq 1$

$$f(x) = A_1 J_0(\delta_1 x) + A_2 J_0(\delta_2 x) + A_3 J_0(\delta_3 x) + \dots$$

where  $\delta_n$  are the roots of the equation  $J_0(x) = 0$ . Determine the coefficients  $A_n$  when  $f(x) = 1 - x^2$ .

15. Show that over the interval  $0 \leq x \leq 1$

$$x = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{J_1(\delta_n)}{\delta_n J_2(\delta_n)}$$

where  $\delta_n$  are the positive roots of  $J_1(x) = 0$ .

16. Obtain the solution to the following second order ordinary differential equations:

i)  $y'' + xy = 0$

ii)  $y'' + 4x^2y = 0$

iii)  $y'' + e^{2x}y = 0$  Hint: let  $u = e^x$

iv)  $xy'' + y' + k^2y = 0$   $k > 0$

v)  $x^2y'' + x^2y' + \frac{1}{4}y = 0$

vi)  $y'' + \frac{1}{x}y' - \left(1 + \frac{4}{x^2}\right)y = 0$

vii)  $xy'' + 2y' + xy = 0$

17. Obtain the solution for the following problem:

$$xy'' + y' - m^2by = 0 \quad 0 \leq x \leq b, \quad m > 0$$

with

$$y(0) \neq \infty \quad \text{and} \quad y(b) = y_0$$

18. Obtain the solution for the following problem:

$$x^2y'' + 2xy' - m^2xy = 0 \quad 0 \leq x \leq b, \quad m > 0$$

with

$$y(0) \neq \infty \quad \text{and} \quad y(b) = y_0$$

19. Show that

$$\begin{aligned} I_{3/2}(x) &= \left(\frac{2}{\pi x}\right)^{1/2} \left(\cosh x - \frac{\sinh x}{x}\right) \\ I_{-3/2}(x) &= \left(\frac{2}{\pi x}\right)^{1/2} \left(\sinh x - \frac{\cosh x}{x}\right) \end{aligned}$$