

BSJ Bessel J

BSJ.1 Introduction

Let x be a complex variable of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, \infty\}$ and let ν denote a parameter (independent of x). The function Bessel J (noted J_ν) is defined by the following second order differential equation

$$(BSJ.1.1) \quad (x^2 - \nu^2)y(x) + x \frac{\partial y(x)}{\partial x} + x^2 \frac{\partial^2 y(x)}{\partial x^2} = 0.$$

Although 0 is a singularity of BSJ.1.1, the initial conditions can be given by

$$(BSJ.1.2) \quad \frac{\partial \frac{J_\nu(x)}{x^\nu}}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu + 1)2^\nu}.$$

The formulae of this document are valid for $-2\nu \notin \mathbb{Z}$.

Related functions: Hankel H1, Hankel H2, Bessel Y

BSJ.2 Series and asymptotic expansions

BSJ.2.1 Asymptotic expansion at 0.

BSJ.2.1.1 First terms.

$$(BSJ.2.1.1.1) \quad J_\nu(x) \approx x^\nu \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu + 1)2^\nu} - \frac{x^2}{4\Gamma(\nu + 1)2^\nu(\nu + 1)} + \frac{x^4}{32\Gamma(\nu + 1)2^\nu(\nu + 1)(\nu + 2)} - \frac{x^6}{384\Gamma(\nu + 1)2^\nu(\nu + 1)(\nu + 2)(\nu + 3)} \cdots \right).$$

BSJ.2.1.2 General form.

$$(BSJ.2.1.2.1) \quad J_\nu(x) \approx x^\nu \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u(n)x^n.$$

The coefficients $u(n)$ satisfy the recurrence

$$(BSJ.2.1.2.2) \quad u(n)(-\nu^2 + (\nu + n)^2) + u(n - 2) = 0.$$

Initial conditions of BSJ.2.1.2.2 are given by

$$(BSJ.2.1.2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} u(1) &= 0, \\ u(0) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu + 1)2^\nu}. \end{aligned}$$

The recurrence BSJ.2.1.2.2 has the closed form solution

$$(BSJ.2.1.2.4) \quad \begin{aligned} u(2n+1) &= 0, \\ u(2n) &= \frac{(-1)^n}{2^\nu 4^n \Gamma(n+1) \Gamma(n+\nu+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

BSJ.2.2 Asymptotic expansion at ∞ .

BSJ.2.2.1 First terms.

$$\begin{aligned} J_\nu(x) &\approx e^{\left(-\frac{\text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)}{x}\right)} \sqrt{x} y_0(x) + \\ &e^{\left(-\frac{\text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)}{x}\right)} \sqrt{x} y_1(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} y_0(x) &= \frac{\sqrt{2} e^{\left(-\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)\right)}}{2\sqrt{\pi}} - \frac{(4\nu^2-1)\sqrt{2} e^{\left(-\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)\right)} x}{16\sqrt{\pi} \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)} + \\ &\frac{(4\nu^2-9)(4\nu^2-1)\sqrt{2} e^{\left(-\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)\right)} x^2}{256\sqrt{\pi} \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)^2} - \\ &\frac{(4\nu^2-25)(4\nu^2-9)(4\nu^2-1)\sqrt{2} e^{\left(-\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)\right)} x^3}{6144\sqrt{\pi} \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)^3} + \\ &2 \dots \\ y_1(x) &= \frac{\sqrt{2} e^{\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)}}{2\sqrt{\pi}} - \frac{(4\nu^2-1)\sqrt{2} e^{\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)} x}{16\sqrt{\pi} \text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)} + \\ &\frac{(4\nu^2-9)(4\nu^2-1)\sqrt{2} e^{\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)} x^2}{256\sqrt{\pi} \text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)^2} - \\ &\frac{(4\nu^2-25)(4\nu^2-9)(4\nu^2-1)\sqrt{2} e^{\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)} x^3}{6144\sqrt{\pi} \text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)^3} + 2 \dots \end{aligned}$$

BSJ.2.2.2 General form.

BSJ.2.2.2.1 Auxiliary function $y_0(x)$. The coefficients $u(n)$ of $y_0(x)$ satisfy the following recurrence

$$8u(n)n \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2) + u(n-1)(-4\nu^2-3+4n+4(n-1)^2) = 0$$

whose initial conditions are given by

$$u(0) = \frac{\sqrt{2} e^{\left(-\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)\right)}}{2\sqrt{\pi}}$$

This recurrence has the closed form solution

$$u(n) = \left(2^{\binom{n+\frac{1}{2}}{2}} \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)^n \Gamma\left(n-\nu+\frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\nu+\frac{1}{2}+n\right) \right. \\ \left. \sin\left(\frac{\pi(2\nu+1)}{2}\right) (-2)^n (-1)^n e^{\left(-\frac{i}{4}\pi(2\nu+1)\right)} \right) / \\ \left(2\Gamma(n+1) 8^n \pi^{\frac{3}{2}} \right).$$

BSJ.2.2.2.2 Auxiliary function $y_1(x)$. The coefficients $u(n)$ of $y_1(x)$ satisfy the following recurrence

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