

# MA207 - Tutorial Sheet 4

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1. Using the indicated substitutions, reduce the following differential equations to the Bessel equation and find the general solution in term of the Bessel functions.

(a)  $x^2y'' + xy' + (\lambda^2x^2 - \nu^2)y = 0$ ,  $(\lambda x = z)$ .

(b)  $xy'' - 5y' + xy = 0$ ,  $(y = x^3u)$ .

(c)  $y'' + k^2xy = 0$ ,  $(y = u\sqrt{x}, \frac{2}{3}kx^{3/2} = z)$ .

(d)  $x^2y'' + (1 - 2\nu)xy' + \nu^2(x^{2\nu} + 1 - \nu^2)y = 0$ ,  $(y = x^\nu u, x^\nu = z)$ .

2. Prove the following Bessel identities.

(a)  $[x^p J_p(x)]' = x^p J_{p-1}(x)$

(b)  $[x^{-p} J_p(x)]' = -x^{-p} J_{p+1}(x)$ .

(c)  $J_p'(x) + \frac{p}{x} J_p(x) = J_{p-1}(x)$ .

(d)  $J_p'(x) - \frac{p}{x} J_p(x) = -J_{p+1}(x)$ .

(e)  $J_{p-1}(x) - J_{p+1}(x) = 2J_p'(x)$ .

(f)  $J_{p-1}(x) + J_{p+1}(x) = \frac{2p}{x} J_p(x)$ .

3. Show that for  $p \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  we have  $J_{-p}(x) = (-1)^p J_p(x)$ . (HINT: Use vanishing of the Gamma function at certain points)

4. Show that (a)  $J_{1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin x$ ,

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

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

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

5. For an integer  $n$ , show that  $J_n(x)$  is an even (resp. odd) function if  $n$  is even (resp. odd).

6. Express  $J_2(x), J_3(x), J_4(x)$  in terms of  $J_0(x)$  and  $J_1(x)$ .

7. Show the following.

(a)  $J_3 + 3J_0' + 4J_0''' = 0$ .

(b)  $\int J_{\nu+1} dx = \int J_{\nu-1} dx - 2J_\nu$ .

8. If  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are any two solutions of the Bessel equation of order  $\nu$ , then show that  $y_1 y_2' - y_1' y_2 = c/x$  for a suitable constant  $c$ .

9. Show that  $\int x^\mu J_\nu(x) dx = x^\mu J_{\nu+1}(x) - (\mu - \nu - 1) \int x^{\mu-1} J_{\nu+1}(x) dx$ .

10. Expand the indicated function in Fourier-Bessel series over the given interval and in terms of the Bessel function of given order. (The Bessel expansion theorem applies in each case.)

(a)  $f(x) = 1$  over  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\nu = 0$ .

(b)  $f(x) = x$  over  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\nu = 1$ .

(c)  $f(x) = x^3$  over  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\nu = 1$ .

(d)  $f(x) = x^2$  over  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\nu = 2$ .

(e)  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  over  $[0, 1]$ ,  $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$ .

11. If  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 1/2 \\ 1/2 & \text{if } x = 1/2 \\ 0 & \text{if } 1/2 < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$ , show that  $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{J_1(\lambda_{0,n}/2)}{\lambda_{0,n} J_1(\lambda_{0,n})^2} J_0(\lambda_{0,n}x)$ ,

where  $\lambda_{0,n}$ 's are positive zeros of  $J_0(x)$ .