

PHYSICS 404 –Fall 2017
2nd HOMEWORK
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1. Using the result of problem 6 of handout 5 to show that:

$$(a) \cos x = J_0(x) + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n J_{2n}(x),$$

$$(b) \sin x = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} J_{2n-1}(x).$$

Solution:

$$e^{iz \cos \theta} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} i^n J_n(z) e^{in\theta} \Rightarrow e^{iz} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} i^n J_n(z) \Rightarrow e^{i(x+iy)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} i^n J_n(x+iy) \Rightarrow$$

$$e^{ix} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} i^n J_n(x) \Rightarrow \cos x + i \sin x = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (e^{i\pi/2})^n J_n(x) \Rightarrow$$

$$\cos x + i \sin x = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{in\pi/2} J_n(x) \Rightarrow \cos x + i \sin x = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (\cos(n\pi/2) + i \sin(n\pi/2)) J_n(x)$$

From the above relation we have that:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \cos x &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(n\pi/2) J_n(x) \\ \sin x &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi/2) J_n(x) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} \cos x &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} \cos(n\pi/2) J_n(x) + J_0(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(n\pi/2) J_n(x) \\ \sin x &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} \sin(n\pi/2) J_n(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi/2) J_n(x) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \cos x &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(-n\pi/2) J_{-n}(x) + J_0(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(n\pi/2) J_n(x) \\ \sin x &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(-n\pi/2) J_{-n}(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi/2) J_n(x) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \cos x &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(n\pi/2) (-1)^n J_n(x) + J_0(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos(n\pi/2) J_n(x) \\ \sin x &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} -\sin(n\pi/2) (-1)^n J_n(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi/2) J_n(x) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \cos x &= J_0(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [1 + (-1)^n] \cos(n\pi/2) J_n(x) \\ \sin x &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin(n\pi/2) [1 - (-1)^n] J_n(x) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} \cos x &= J_0(x) - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n J_{2n}(x) \\ \sin x &= 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} J_{2n-1}(x) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Be careful the quantity $\sin(n\pi/2)$ is equal to 1 if $n=1, 5, 9, \dots$ and -1 if $n=3, 7, 11, \dots$

2. You are given that $J_{1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin x$ and $J_{-1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \cos x$. Find $J_{5/2}(x)$.

We know the recurrence relation:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\nu-1}(x) + J_{\nu+1}(x) &= \frac{2\nu}{x} J_{\nu}(x) \Rightarrow J_{\nu=3/2}(x) + J_{\nu=5/2}(x) = \frac{2 \cdot \frac{3}{2}}{x} J_{\frac{3}{2}}(x) \Rightarrow \\ J_{1/2}(x) + J_{5/2}(x) &= \frac{3}{x} J_{3/2}(x) \Rightarrow J_{5/2}(x) = \frac{3}{x} J_{3/2}(x) - J_{1/2}(x) \end{aligned}$$

In the class we showed in the problem 2 of handout 6 that:

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

Thus we get:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{5/2}(x) &= \frac{3}{x} J_{3/2}(x) - J_{1/2}(x) = \frac{3}{x} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left(\frac{\sin x - x \cos x}{x} \right) - \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin x = \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left[\frac{3}{x} \left(\frac{\sin x - x \cos x}{x} \right) - \sin x \right] = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \left[\frac{3 \sin x - 3x \cos x - x^2 \sin x}{x^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

3. Use the result of problem 4 of handout 6 and calculate the integral

$$\int_0^1 x J_{1/2}^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2} x \right) dx.$$

Solution:

We have here that $\nu = 1/2$, $\lambda = \pi/2$. We also need the following quantities:

$$J_{1/2}(\pi/2) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi\pi/2}} \sin(\pi/2) = 0 = \frac{2}{\pi}$$

$$J_{1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi x}} \sin x \Rightarrow J'_{1/2}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\sqrt{x} \cos x - (\sin x / 2\sqrt{x})}{x}$$

thus

$$J'_{1/2}(\pi/2) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\sqrt{\pi/2} \cos(\pi/2) - (\sin(\pi/2) / 2\sqrt{\pi/2})}{\pi/2} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} = -\frac{2}{\pi^2}$$

So the answer is:

$$\int_0^1 x J_{1/2}^2(\pi x/2) dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[J_{1/2}'^2(\pi/2) + \left(1 - \frac{(1/2)^2}{(\pi/2)^2} \right) J_{1/2}^2(\pi/2) \right] =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[\left(-\frac{2}{\pi^2} \right)^2 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{\pi^2} \right) \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^2 \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{4}{\pi^4} + \left(\frac{\pi^2 - 1}{\pi^2} \right) \frac{4}{\pi^2} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \frac{4}{\pi^4} \pi^2 = \frac{2}{\pi^2}$$