

1. Starting with the generating function for the Bessel functions, show the following:

(a) $J_n(x) = (-1)^n J_n(-x)$.

(b) $\exp(iz \cos \theta) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} i^m J_m(z) e^{im\theta}$.

(c) $\cos x = J_0(x) + 2 \sum_1^{\infty} (-1)^n J_{2n}(x)$ and $\sin x = 2 \sum_0^{\infty} (-1)^n J_{2n+1}(x)$.

2. Starting with the series form for the Bessel functions, show the following:

(a) $\frac{2n}{x} J_n(x) = J_{n-1}(x) + J_{n+1}(x)$.

(b) $2J'_n(x) = J_{n-1}(x) - J_{n+1}(x)$.

(c) $x^2 J''_n(x) + x J'_n(x) + (x^2 - n^2) J_n(x) = 0$.

3. Show that between any two consecutive zeroes of $J_n(x)$ there is one and only one zero of $J_{n+1}(x)$. To prove this, first prove that

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^n J_n(x)] = x^n J_{n-1}(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{dx} [x^{-n} J_n(x)] = -x^{-n} J_{n-1}(x)$$

using problem 2(a) and 2(b).

4. Prove $2J'_n(x) = J_{n-1}(x) - J_{n+1}(x)$ using the integral representation of the Bessel functions.

5. A plane wave (wavelength λ) is incident normally on a circular aperture (radius a) as shown in the figure. Show that the amplitude of the wave emitted in the direction that makes an angle α with z axis is given by

$$\Phi \sim \int_0^a r dr \int_0^{2\pi} e^{ibr \cos \theta} d\theta$$

where $b = 2\pi \sin \alpha / \lambda$. Thus, show that

$$\Phi \sim \frac{\lambda a}{\sin \alpha} J_1 \left(\frac{2\pi a}{\lambda} \sin \alpha \right).$$

Plot the intensity.

6. Show the following:

$$\begin{aligned} (a^2 - b^2) \int_0^P J_n(ax) J_n(bx) x dx &= P \left[b J_n(aP) \frac{d}{d(bx)} J_n(bP) - a J_n(bP) \frac{d}{d(ax)} J_n(aP) \right], \\ \int_0^P [J_n(ax)]^2 x dx &= \frac{P^2}{2} \left\{ \left[\frac{d}{d(ax)} J_n(aP) \right]^2 - \left(1 - \frac{n^2}{a^2 P^2} \right) [J_n(aP)]^2 \right\}, \\ \int_0^a \left[J_n \left(\rho_{nm} \frac{x}{a} \right) \right]^2 x dx &= \frac{a^2}{2} [J_{n+1}(\rho_{nm})]^2. \end{aligned}$$

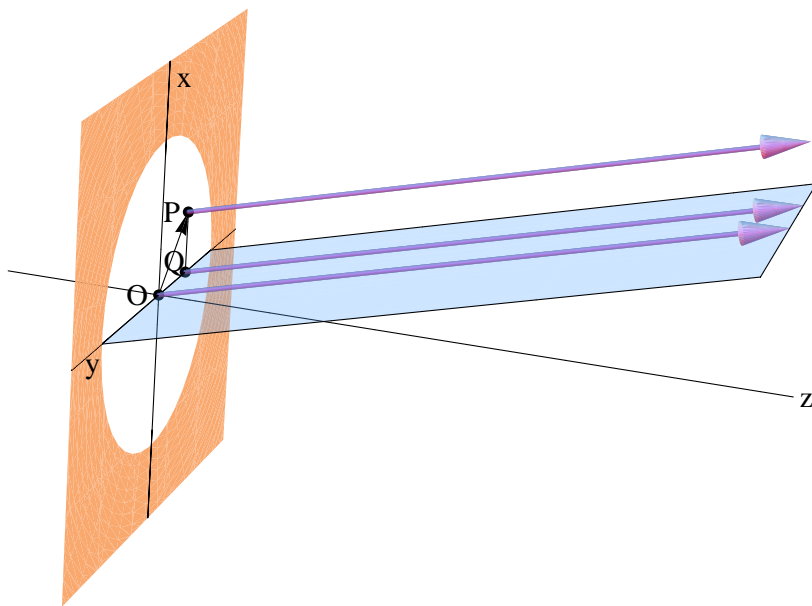


Figure 1: Problem 5: Coordinates of point P are $(r, \theta, z = 0)$ in cylindrical coordinates. All rays make an angle of α with the z axis.