

bessJ

Algorithm	What You Get
	You pay a heavy price for higher accuracy or fractional order. When <i>algorithm</i> is nonzero, calculation time is increased by an order of magnitude for small x ; at larger x the penalty is even greater. If accuracy is greater than 10^{-8} and n is an integer, algorithm 0 is used.
2	The algorithm calculates bessI and bessK simultaneously. Both values are stored, and if a call to bessI is followed by a call to bessK (or bessK is followed by bessI) with the same n , x , and <i>accuracy</i> the previously-stored value is returned, making the second call very fast. Fractional order is allowed. The calculation is performed using code from the SLATEC library. The accuracy achievable is often better than algorithm 1, but not always. Algorithm 2 is 1.5 to 3 times faster than algorithm 1, but still slower than algorithm 0. The accuracy parameter is ignored.

The achievable accuracy of algorithms 1 and 2 is a complicated function n and x . To see a summary of achievable accuracies choose File→Example Experiments→Testing and Misc→Bessel Accuracy menu item.

bessJ

bessJ(*n*, *x* [, *algorithm* [, *accuracy*]])

Obsolete – use **Besselj**.

The bessJ function returns the Bessel function of the first kind, $J_n(x)$ of order n and argument x .

For real x , the optional parameter *algorithm* selects between a faster, less accurate calculation method and slower, more accurate methods. In addition, when *algorithm* is zero or absent, the order n is truncated to an integer.

When *algorithm* is included and is 1, *accuracy* can be used to specify the desired fractional accuracy. See Details about algorithms.

If x is complex, a complex result is returned. In this case, *algorithm* and *accuracy* are ignored. The order n can be fractional, and must be real.

Details

See the **bessI** function for details on algorithms, accuracy and speed of execution.

When *algorithm* is 1, pairs of values for bessJ and bessY are calculated simultaneously. The values are stored, and a subsequent call to bessY after a call to bessJ (or vice versa) with the same n , x , and *accuracy* will be very fast.

bessK

bessK(*n*, *x* [, *algorithm* [, *accuracy*]])

Obsolete – use **Besselk**.

The bessK function returns the modified Bessel function of the second kind, $K_n(x)$ of order n and argument x .

For real x , the optional parameter *algorithm* selects between a faster, less accurate calculation method and slower, more accurate methods. In addition, when *algorithm* is zero or absent, the order n is truncated to an integer.

When *algorithm* is included and is 1, *accuracy* can be used to specify the desired fractional accuracy. See Details about algorithms.

If x is complex, a complex result is returned. In this case, *algorithm* and *accuracy* are ignored. The order n can be fractional, and must be real.

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