

Lecture Notes: Mathematical Physics Equations and Special Functions

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Recall

$$C_m = \frac{\int_0^R r f(r) J_n\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(n)}}{R} r\right) dr}{\frac{R^2}{2} J_{n+1}^2(\mu_m^{(n)})}. \quad (1)$$

1 5.4 Applications of Bessel Functions

Bessel functions have extremely wide applications. In this section, we only choose the simplest problems to illustrate the **key points and steps** of using Bessel functions to solve mathematical physics problems.

- Note: In higher-dimensional problems involving the **Laplace operator** on a **cylindrical domain** or **circular disk**, Bessel equations and functions arise.
- However, to **simplify calculations**, this section typically **assumes axisymmetry**, reducing the problem to a **two-dimensional** one.
- If axisymmetry is **not** present, the approach outlined in Section 5.1 can be followed.

Ex 1.1 (Heat Conduction Problem). *Consider a uniform thin circular disk with a radius of 1. The temperature on the circumference is maintained at 0 degrees, and the initial temperature distribution inside the disk is $1 - r^2$, where r is the polar radius of any point inside the disk. Try to find the temperature distribution inside the disk.*

Solution. The temperature u to be found satisfies the two dimensional homogeneous heat conduction equation. Since the solution domain is a circular domain, **polar coordinates** are used. Because the definite solution conditions are **independent of θ** , so $u = u(r, t)$. Then the definite solution problem is as follows:

$$u_t = a^2(u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r), \quad (0 < r < 1), \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Homogeneous equation}} \quad (2)$$

$$u|_{r=1} = 0, \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Homogeneous boundary}} \quad (3)$$

$$u|_{t=0} = 1 - r^2. \quad (4)$$

Apply the **method of separation of variables**. Let $u(r, t) = R(r)T(t)$ and substitute it into (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} RT' &= a^2(R'' + \frac{1}{r}R')T. \\ \implies \frac{T'}{a^2T} &= \frac{R'' + \frac{1}{r}R'}{R} = -\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

From this, we obtain

$$T' + \lambda a^2 T = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$r^2 R'' + r R' + \lambda r^2 R = 0 \quad (6)$$

From the physical meaning of the problem, we know that the temperature function u should satisfy the condition $|u| < +\infty$. Therefore, the function R should satisfy the natural boundary condition

$$|R(0)| < +\infty \quad (7)$$

And from the **homogeneous boundary condition** (3), we can get

$$R(1) = 0 \quad (8)$$

Equations (6)-(8) form the eigenvalue problem of the Bessel equation of order 0:

$$\begin{cases} r^2 R'' + rR' + \lambda r^2 R = 0 \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Identify 0-order Bessel equation}} \\ |R(0)| < +\infty, R(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

The general solution of the Bessel equation of **order 0** (6) is

$$R(r) = C J_0(\sqrt{\lambda}r) + D Y_0(\sqrt{\lambda}r)$$

From the condition (7) $|R(0)| < +\infty$, we know that $D = 0$. Then, using the condition (8) $R(1) = 0$, we get $J_0(\sqrt{\lambda}) = 0$, that is, $\sqrt{\lambda}$ is a zero of $J_0(x) = 0$.

Let $\mu_m^{(0)}$ represent the positive zeros of $J_0(x)$, that is, $J_0(\mu_m^{(0)}) = 0$. Then the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenfunctions of equation (6) under the conditions (7) and (8) are

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_m^{(0)} = (\mu_m^{(0)})^2 & (m = 1, 2, \dots) \\ R_m(r) = J_0(\mu_m^{(0)}r) \end{cases}$$

Now consider the equation

$$T' + \lambda a^2 T = 0$$

Substitute $\lambda_m^{(0)}$ into equation (5) to obtain its general solution

$$T_m(t) = C_m e^{-(\mu_m^{(0)}a)^2 t}$$

Then, using $u(r, t) = R(r)T(t)$, we can get

$$u_m(r, t) = C_m e^{-(\mu_m^{(0)}a)^2 t} J_0(\mu_m^{(0)}r)$$

According to the superposition principle, the solution of equation (2) that satisfies condition (3) is

$$u(r, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} C_m e^{-(\mu_m^{(0)}a)^2 t} J_0(\mu_m^{(0)}r) \quad (9)$$

Then, from the initial condition (5), we have

$$u(r, 0) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} C_m J_0(\mu_m^{(0)}r) = 1 - r^2$$

Using the Fourier-Bessel coefficient formula (1), we have

$$C_m = \frac{\int_0^1 r(1 - r^2) J_0(\mu_m^{(0)}r) dr}{\frac{1}{2} J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Don't forget the weight } r}$$

First, calculate the numerator. Let $\mu_m^{(0)}r = x$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 r J_0(\mu_m^{(0)}r) dr &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x J_0(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2} [x J_1(x)]_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} = \frac{1}{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{array}{ccc} xJ_1 & \xrightleftharpoons[\int]{\frac{d}{dx}} & xJ_0 \\ & \updownarrow \frac{d}{dx} & \\ & \int & -J_1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 r^3 J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) dr &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^4} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^3 J_0(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^4} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 \cdot x J_0(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^4} \left[x^3 J_1(x) \Big|_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} - 2 \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 J_1(x) dx \right] \\ &\quad \uparrow \text{Another method: } \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 J_1(x) dx = - \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 dJ_0(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^4} \left[(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) - 2x^2 J_2(x) \Big|_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) - \frac{2}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2} J_2(\mu_m^{(0)}) \end{aligned}$$

- The problem involves integrating the product of polynomials and Bessel functions.
- To integrate such products, **polynomials** are typically **decomposed**.
- The approach often involves **breaking down the polynomial into simpler terms** that can be more **easily integrated with Bessel functions**. That is, to generate xJ_0 , $x^n J_{n-1}$ or $x^{-n} J_{n+1}$ terms which can be integrated.

Substitute into C_m to get

$$C_m = \frac{4J_2(\mu_m^{(0)})}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})}$$

Substitute C_m into (9), and the solution of the problem (2)-(4) is

$$u(r, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{4J_2(\mu_m^{(0)})}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) e^{-(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 t}$$

Ex 1.2 (Electric Potential in a Cylindrical Domain). For an empty cylinder composed of conductor walls, with the height of the cylinder being h and the radius being b . Suppose the electric potential of the upper base is U , and the electric potentials of the side surface and the lower base are 0. Try to find the electric potential inside the cylinder.

Solution. Since the region is cylindrical, the cylindrical coordinate system is used. Because the boundary conditions are **independent of the angle** φ , the electric potential u to be found is only a function of

two variables ρ and z , that is $u = u(\rho, z)$. Then the definite solution problem is as follows:

$$u_{\rho\rho} + \frac{1}{\rho}u_{\rho} + u_{zz} = 0 \quad (0 < \rho < b, 0 < z < h), \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Homogeneous equation}} \quad (10)$$

$$u|_{z=0} = 0, u|_{z=h} = U, \leftarrow \boxed{\text{determine the coefficients}} \quad (11)$$

$$u|_{\rho=b} = 0, \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Homogeneous boundary}} \quad (12)$$

where U is a constant.

Apply the **method of separation of variables**. Let $u(\rho, z) = R(\rho)Z(z)$ and substitute it into (10), we get

$$R''Z + \frac{1}{\rho}R'Z + RZ'' = 0$$

$$\frac{R'' + \frac{1}{\rho}R'}{R} = -\frac{Z''}{Z} = -\lambda$$

From this, we obtain

$$Z'' - \lambda Z = 0 \quad (13)$$

$$\rho^2 R'' + \rho R' + \lambda \rho^2 R = 0 \quad (14)$$

From the physical meaning of the problem, we know that the electric potential function u should satisfy the condition $|u| < +\infty$. Therefore, the function R should satisfy

$$|R(0)| < +\infty. \quad (15)$$

And from the homogeneous boundary condition (12), we can get

$$R(b) = 0 \quad (16)$$

Equations (14)-(16) form the eigenvalue problem of the Bessel equation of order 0:

$$\begin{cases} \rho^2 R'' + \rho R' + \lambda \rho^2 R = 0 \\ |R(0)| < +\infty, R(b) = 0 \end{cases}$$

The general solution of the Bessel equation of order 0 (14) is

$$R(\rho) = C J_0(\sqrt{\lambda}\rho) + D Y_0(\sqrt{\lambda}\rho)$$

From the condition (15) $|R(0)| < +\infty$, we know that $D = 0$. Then, using the condition (16) $R(b) = 0$, we get $J_0(\sqrt{\lambda}b) = 0$, that is, $\sqrt{\lambda}b$ is a zero of $J_0(x) = 0$.

Let $\mu_m^{(0)}$ represent the positive zeros of $J_0(x)$, that is, $J_0(\mu_m^{(0)}) = 0$. Then the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenfunctions of equation (14) under the conditions (15) and (16) are

$$\lambda_m^{(0)} = \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}\right)^2, R_m(\rho) = J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}\rho\right) \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots)$$

Now consider the equation

$$Z'' - \lambda Z = 0 \quad (17)$$

Substitute $\lambda_m^{(0)}$ into equation (17) to obtain its general solution

$$Z_m(z) = C_m e^{\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}z} + D_m e^{-\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}z}.$$

Thus

$$u_m(\rho, z) = (C_m e^{\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}z} + D_m e^{-\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}z}) J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}\rho\right).$$

According to the superposition principle, the solution of equation (10) that satisfies condition (12) is

$$u(\rho, z) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (C_m e^{\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}z} + D_m e^{-\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}z}) J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b}\rho\right) \quad (18)$$

From the first formula in condition (11), we have

$$u(\rho, 0) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (C_m + D_m) J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} \rho \right) = 0$$

So we get (comparing the coefficients—orthogonality or linear independency)

$$C_m + D_m = 0 \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots) \quad (19)$$

From the second formula in condition (11), we have

$$u(\rho, h) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (C_m e^{\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} h} + D_m e^{-\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} h}) J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} \rho \right) = U$$

Using the Fourier-Bessel coefficient formula (1), we have

$$C_m e^{\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} h} + D_m e^{-\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} h} = \frac{\int_0^b \rho U J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} \rho \right) d\rho}{\frac{b^2}{2} J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} \quad (20)$$

First, calculate the numerator. Let $\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} \rho = x$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^b \rho U J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} \rho \right) d\rho &= \frac{b^2 U}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x J_0(x) dx \\ &= \frac{b^2 U}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2} [x J_1(x)]_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} = \frac{b^2 U}{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) \end{aligned}$$

Then formula (21) simplifies to

$$C_m e^{\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} h} + D_m e^{-\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} h} = \frac{2U}{\mu_m^{(0)} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})}$$

Solve equations (19) and (20) simultaneously, with $shx = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$, we get

$$C_m = \frac{U}{\mu_m^{(0)} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) sh \frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} h}, D_m = -\frac{U}{\mu_m^{(0)} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) sh \frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} h}$$

Substitute C_m and D_m into (18), and the solution of the problem (10)-(23) is

$$u(\rho, z) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{2U}{\mu_m^{(0)} sh \frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} h J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} sh \frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} z J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{b} \rho \right).$$

Ex 1.3 (Axisymmetric Vibration Problem of a Circular Membrane). Consider a circular membrane with a radius of B . The circumference is fixed. If a very small height $h > 0$ is lifted at the center of the membrane and then held stationary, and suddenly released to let it vibrate, try to find the vibration law of the membrane.

Solution. Since the equation is homogeneous and the definite - solution conditions are independent of the angle θ , in the polar coordinate system, the displacement function u is only a function of two variables r and t , that is $u = u(r, t)$. Then the definite solution problem is as follows:

$$u_{tt} = a^2(u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r) \quad (0 < r < B), \quad (21)$$

$$u|_{r=B} = 0, \quad (22)$$

$$u|_{t=0} = h(1 - \frac{r}{B}), u_t|_{t=0} = 0. \quad (23)$$

Apply the method of separation of variables. Let $u(r, t) = R(r)T(t)$ and substitute it into (21), we get

$$\begin{aligned} RT'' &= a^2(R'' + \frac{1}{r}R')T \\ \implies \frac{T''}{a^2T} &= \frac{R'' + \frac{1}{r}R'}{R} = -\lambda \end{aligned}$$

From this, we obtain

$$T'' + a^2\lambda T = 0 \quad (24)$$

$$r^2R'' + rR' + \lambda r^2R = 0 \quad (25)$$

From the physical meaning of the problem, we know that the displacement function u should satisfy the condition $|u| < +\infty$. Therefore, the function R should satisfy

$$|R(0)| < +\infty$$

And from the homogeneous boundary condition (22), we can get

$$R(B) = 0 \quad (26)$$

This constitutes the eigenvalue problem of the Bessel equation of order 0:

$$\begin{cases} r^2R'' + rR' + \lambda r^2R = 0 \\ |R(0)| < +\infty, R(B) = 0 \end{cases}$$

The general solution of the Bessel equation of order 0 (25) is

$$R(r) = CJ_0(\sqrt{\lambda}r) + DY_0(\sqrt{\lambda}r)$$

From the boundedness condition $|R(0)| < +\infty$, we know that $D = 0$. Then, using the condition (26) $R(B) = 0$, we get $J_0(\sqrt{\lambda}B) = 0$, that is, $\sqrt{\lambda}B$ is a zero of $J_0(x) = 0$.

Let $\mu_m^{(0)}$ represent the positive zeros of $J_0(x)$, that is, $J_0(\mu_m^{(0)}) = 0$. Then the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenfunctions of equation (25) under the boundedness condition and (26) are

$$\lambda_m^{(0)} = \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}\right)^2, R_m(r) = J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}r\right) \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots)$$

Now consider the equation

$$T'' + a^2\lambda T = 0$$

Substitute $\lambda_m^{(0)}$ into equation (24) to obtain its general solution

$$T_m(t) = a_m \cos \frac{a\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}t + b_m \sin \frac{a\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}t$$

Thus

$$u_m(r, t) = \left(a_m \cos \frac{a\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}t + b_m \sin \frac{a\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}t\right) J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}r\right)$$

According to the superposition principle, the solution of equation (21) that satisfies condition (22) is

$$u(r, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(a_m \cos \frac{a\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}t + b_m \sin \frac{a\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}t\right) J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}r\right) \quad (27)$$

From the second formula in the initial condition (23), we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{a\mu_m^{(0)}}{B} b_m J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B}r\right) = 0$$

So we get

$$b_m = 0 \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots)$$

From the first formula in the initial condition (23), we have

$$u(r, 0) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_m J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B} r \right) = h \left(1 - \frac{r}{B} \right)$$

Using the Fourier-Bessel coefficient formula (1), we have

$$a_m = \frac{\int_0^B r h \left(1 - \frac{r}{B} \right) J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B} r \right) dr}{\frac{B^2}{2} J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} \quad (28)$$

First, calculate the numerator. Let $\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B} r = x$, then

$$\begin{aligned} h \int_0^B r J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B} r \right) dr &= \frac{hB^2}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x J_0(x) dx \\ &= \frac{hB^2}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2} [x J_1(x)]_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} = \frac{hB^2}{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{h}{B} \int_0^B r^2 J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B} r \right) dr &= \frac{hB^2}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 J_0(x) dx \\ &= \frac{hB^2}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x \cdot x J_0(x) dx \\ &= \frac{hB^2}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3} \left[x^2 J_1(x) \Big|_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} - \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x J_1(x) dx \right] \\ &= \frac{hB^2}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3} \left[(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) + x J_0(x) \Big|_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} - \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_0(x) dx \right] \\ &= \frac{hB^2}{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) - \frac{hB^2}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3} \underbrace{\int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_0(x) dx}_{\text{Generalized Hypergeometric Function}}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the Fourier-Bessel coefficient formula (1), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} h \int_0^B r J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B} r \right) dr &= \frac{hB^2}{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) \\ \frac{h}{B} \int_0^B r^2 J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B} r \right) dr &= \frac{hB^2}{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) - \frac{hB^2}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_0(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

Substitute the above results into formula (28):

$$\begin{aligned} a_m &= \frac{2h}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_0(x) dx \\ a_m &= \frac{2h}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_0(x) dx, b_m = 0 \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

Substitute a_m and b_m into (27), and the solution of the problem (21)-(23) is:

$$u(r, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{2h}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} J_0(x) dx \right] \cos \frac{a \mu_m^{(0)} t}{B} J_0 \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{B} r \right).$$

Ex 1.4. Solve the following definite solution problem:

$$u_t = a^2 \left(u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} u_r - \frac{1}{r^2} u \right) \quad (0 < r < 1), \leftarrow \boxed{\text{leads to 1st order Bessel equation}} \quad (29)$$

$$u|_{r=1} = 0, |u(r, t)| < +\infty, \quad (30)$$

$$u|_{t=0} = 1 - r. \quad (31)$$

- Replacing u_t with u_{tt} transforms the equation into a wave equation.
- Replacing u_t with $-u_{zz}$ transforms the equation into a potential equation in cylindrical coordinates.
- These substitutions allow for the creation of various new problems in PDEs.
- The corresponding solutions can be found by substituting the appropriate parts of the five steps of the method of separation of variables.

Solution. Apply the method of separation of variables. Let $u(r, t) = R(r)T(t)$ and substitute it into (29), we get

$$RT' = a^2 \left(R'' + \frac{1}{r} R' - \frac{1}{r^2} R \right) T$$

or

$$\frac{T'}{a^2 T} = \frac{R'' + \frac{1}{r} R' - \frac{1}{r^2} R}{R} = -\lambda$$

From this, we obtain

$$T' + \lambda a^2 T = 0 \quad (32)$$

$$r^2 R'' + r R' + (\lambda r^2 - 1) R = 0 \quad (33)$$

Note that this equation is a Bessel equation of order one. Using the definite solution conditions (30), we can get

$$R(1) = 0, |R(0)| < +\infty \quad (34)$$

(33) and (34) form the eigenvalue problem of the Bessel equation of order one. The corresponding eigenvalues and eigenfunctions are respectively

$$\lambda_m^{(1)} = (\mu_m^{(1)})^2, R_m(r) = J_1(\mu_m^{(1)} r) \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots)$$

Substitute the eigenvalues into (32), we can get

$$T_m(t) = C_m e^{-(\mu_m^{(1)} a)^2 t}$$

Then, using $u(r, t) = R(r)T(t)$, we can get

$$u_m(r, t) = C_m e^{-(\mu_m^{(1)} a)^2 t} J_1(\mu_m^{(1)} r) \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots)$$

According to the superposition principle, the general solution that satisfies equation (29) and condition (30) is

$$u(r, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} C_m e^{-(\mu_m^{(1)} a)^2 t} J_1(\mu_m^{(1)} r). \quad (35)$$

Finally, from the initial condition (31), we have

$$1 - r = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} C_m J_1(\mu_m^{(1)} r)$$

Using the Fourier-Bessel coefficient formula (1), we have

$$C_m = \frac{\int_0^1 r(1-r) J_1(\mu_m^{(1)} r) dr}{\frac{1}{2} J_1^2(\mu_m^{(1)})} \quad (36)$$

First, calculate the numerator. Let $\mu_m^{(1)} r = x$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 r J_1(\mu_m^{(1)} r) dr &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} x J_1(x) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2} [x J_0(x)]_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} + \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} J_0(x) dx \\ &= -\frac{J_0(\mu_m^{(1)})}{\mu_m^{(1)}} + \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} J_0(x) dx\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 r^2 J_1(\mu_m^{(1)} r) dr &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^3} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} x^2 J_1(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^3} [x^2 J_2(x)]_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} = \frac{J_2(\mu_m^{(1)})}{\mu_m^{(1)}}\end{aligned}$$

Note that, from the recurrence formula, we can get

$$J_0(\mu_m^{(1)}) + J_2(\mu_m^{(1)}) = \frac{2}{\mu_m^{(1)}} J_1(\mu_m^{(1)}) = 0$$

Substitute the above results into (36) and simplify to get

$$C_m = \frac{2}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(1)})} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} J_0(x) dx$$

Substitute the value of C_m into expression (35) to obtain the solution of the original problem (29)-(31).

Ex 1.5. Solve the following definite solution problem:

$$u_t = a^2 \left(u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} u_r \right) + A \quad (0 < r < 1), \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Non-homogeneous eq.}} \quad (37)$$

$$u|_{r=1} = 0, |u(r, t)| < +\infty, \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Homogeneous bdry.}} \quad (38)$$

$$u|_{t=0} = 0, \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Homogeneous initial data}} \quad (39)$$

where A is a constant.

Solution. Apply the **method of eigenfunctions** (recall §2.4).

Step 1: First, for the non-homogeneous equation (37), the corresponding homogeneous equation is

$$u_t = a^2 \left(u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} u_r \right).$$

The system of eigenfunctions that simultaneously satisfies the homogeneous boundary condition (38) is the Bessel function system $\{J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$.

Step 2: Assume the solution is

$$u(r, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} u_m(t) J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) \quad (40)$$

where $u_m(t)$ is a function of t to be determined.

Step 3: Expand the free term A in the equation into a Fourier-Bessel series according to the corresponding Bessel function system:

$$A = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} f_m(t) J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) \quad (41)$$

where the coefficients are

$$f_m(t) = \frac{\int_0^1 r \cdot A \cdot J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) dr}{\frac{1}{2} J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} = \frac{2A}{\mu_m^{(0)} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Step 4: Substitute (40) and (41) into (37) and simplify to get

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} u'_m(t) J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a^2 u_m(t) \underbrace{\left\{ [J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)]'' + \frac{1}{r} [J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)]' \right\}}_{\text{Hope to replace it to } J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r), \text{ then one can compare the coef.}} \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} f_m(t) J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r). \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

- This step features a significant innovation: the derivative terms are replaced by the Bessel equation.
- Only by making this substitution so that it satisfies the Bessel equation, does the first step you took earlier amount to solving the corresponding homogeneous Sturm-Liouville (S-L) problem.
- Similar situations will also occur in Chapter 2, for example, $(\sin \frac{n\pi}{l} x)'' \propto \sin \frac{n\pi}{l} x$. (Recall and compare the relevant content and calculations from Chapter 2 “How to invent the method of eigenfunctions?”)
- This process can be substituted in because it is designed to use the S-L equation to handle (Recall Chapter 2 “How to invent the method of eigenfunctions?”).

From the Bessel equation of order zero, we know that:

$$r^2 [J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)]'' + r [J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)]' + (\mu_m^{(0)})^2 r^2 J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) = 0$$

Naturally, we have

$$[J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)]'' + \frac{1}{r} [J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)]' = -(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)$$

Substitute the above formula into (42) and simplify to get

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} [u'_m(t) + (\mu_m^{(0)} a)^2 u_m(t)] J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} f_m(t) J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r).$$

By comparing the coefficients of the like terms on both sides, we can get

$$u'_m(t) + (\mu_m^{(0)} a)^2 u_m(t) = f_m(t) = \frac{2A}{\mu_m^{(0)} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})}.$$

Step 5: From the initial condition (39), we can get

$$u_m(0) = 0.$$

Step 6: Apply the general solution formula of the first order linear differential equation or the Laplace transform method to obtain

$$u_m(t) = \frac{2A}{\mu_m^{(0)} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} \int_0^t e^{-(\mu_m^{(0)} a)^2 (t-\tau)} d\tau = \frac{2A}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 a^2 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} (1 - e^{-(\mu_m^{(0)} a)^2 t})$$

Finally, substitute the value of $u_m(t)$ into formula (40) to obtain the solution of the definite solution problem (37)-(39):

$$u(r, t) = \frac{2A}{a^2} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - e^{-(\mu_m^{(0)} a)^2 t})}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)$$

Notes on Solving Non-homogeneous Boundary Value Problems

- Students may ask how to use auxiliary functions to handle non-homogeneous boundary conditions when encountering non-homogeneous boundary.
- The approach involves constructing an auxiliary function.
- After constructing the auxiliary function, remove it from the variable to transform the problem into one that can be solved using eigenfunction methods and separation of variables.
- Although we haven't covered auxiliary functions explicitly, the method from Chapter 2 still applies.

Exercise Class

Ex 1.6. Calculate definite integrals and indefinite integrals.

1. $\int_0^1 x^3 J_0(\alpha x) dx$, where α is a positive zero point of the Bessel function $J_0(x)$ of order zero, (that is $J_0(\alpha) = 0 \Rightarrow J_1(\alpha) \neq 0$).
2. $\int x^4 J_1(x) dx$
3. $\int J_3(x) dx$ (Hint: Express it in terms of J_0 , J_1 and J_2 , use the recurrence relations $x^n J_n \xrightarrow{\text{diff}} x^n J_{n-1}$, $x^{-n} J_n \xrightarrow{\text{diff}} -x^{-n} J_{n+1}$)

Solution. (1) We will obtain two different expressions of the same result by different recurrence relations. Let $t = \alpha x$, then $dx = \frac{1}{\alpha} dt$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^1 x^3 J_0(\alpha x) dx &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha t^3 J_0(t) dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha t^2 \cdot t J_0(t) dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha t^2 d(t J_1(t)) \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Integrate by parts}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} [\alpha^3 J_1(\alpha) - 2 \int_0^\alpha t^2 J_1(t) dt]
 \end{aligned}$$

Method 1: Using $x^n J_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{diff}} x^n J_{n-1}(x)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} [\alpha^3 J_1(\alpha) - 2[t^2 J_2(t)]_0^\alpha] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} [\alpha^3 J_1(\alpha) - 2\alpha^2 J_2(\alpha)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\alpha} J_1(\alpha) - \frac{2}{\alpha^2} J_2(\alpha)
 \end{aligned}$$

Method 2:

$$= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} [\alpha^3 J_1(\alpha) + 2 \int_0^\alpha t^2 J_0'(t) dt]$$

Since $J_0(\alpha) = 0$, then $\int_0^\alpha t^2 J_0'(t) dt = [t^2 J_0(t)]_0^\alpha - 2 \int_0^\alpha t J_0(t) dt$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} [\alpha^3 J_1(\alpha) + 2[t^2 J_0(t)]_0^\alpha - 4 \int_0^\alpha t J_0(t) dt] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\alpha} J_1(\alpha) - \frac{4}{\alpha^3} J_1(\alpha)
 \end{aligned}$$

Remark 1.1. • Compare Method 1 and Method 2: $\frac{2}{\alpha^2} J_2(\alpha) = \frac{4}{\alpha^3} J_1(\alpha) \Rightarrow J_2(\alpha) = \frac{2}{\alpha} J_1(\alpha)$.

• This can be proven by the recurrence relations $J_2(\alpha) + J_0(\alpha) = \frac{2}{\alpha} J_1(\alpha)$ and $J_0(\alpha) = 0$.

(2) **Method 1:** Using $x^n J_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{diff}} x^n J_{n-1}(x)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^4 J_1(x) dx &= \int x^2 \cdot x^2 J_1(x) dx \\ &= \int x^2 d(x^2 J_2(x)) \\ &= x^2 \cdot x^2 J_2(x) - \int x^2 J_2(x) dx^2 \\ &= x^4 J_2(x) - 2 \int x^3 J_2(x) dx \\ &= x^4 J_2(x) - 2 \int d(x^3 J_3(x)) \\ &= x^4 J_2(x) - 2x^3 J_3(x) + C \end{aligned}$$

Method 2: By $J_1(x) = -J'_0(x)$ and $x^n J_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{diff}} x^n J_{n-1}(x)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^4 J_1(x) dx &= - \int x^4 dJ_0(x) \\ &= -x^4 J_0(x) + \int J_0(x) dx^4 \\ &= -x^4 J_0(x) + 4 \int x^3 J_0(x) dx \\ &= -x^4 J_0(x) + 4 \int x^2 d(x J_1(x)) \\ &= -x^4 J_0(x) + 4x^3 J_1(x) - 4 \int x J_1(x) dx^2 \\ &= -x^4 J_0(x) + 4x^3 J_1(x) - 8 \int x^2 J_1(x) dx \\ &= -x^4 J_0(x) + 4x^3 J_1(x) - 8x^2 J_2(x) + C. \end{aligned}$$

(3) *Idea:* reduce the order of J_3 to J_0 and J_1 , use relations $x^{-n} J_n(x) \xrightarrow{\text{diff}} -x^{-n} J_{n+1}(x)$, then $-x^{-1} J_1 \longrightarrow x^{-1} J_2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int J_3(x) dx &= \int x^2 \cdot x^{-2} J_3(x) dx \leftarrow \boxed{\text{introduce } x^{-n} \text{ to help}} \\ &= - \int x^2 d(x^{-2} J_2(x)) \\ &= -x^2 \cdot x^{-2} J_2(x) + \int x^{-2} J_2(x) dx^2 \\ &= -J_2(x) + 2 \int x^{-1} J_2(x) dx \\ &= -J_2(x) - 2 \int d(x^{-1} J_1(x)) \\ &= -J_2(x) - 2x^{-1} J_1(x) + C. \end{aligned}$$

Ex 1.7. 1. Let $\mu_m^{(0)}$ be the m -th positive zero of the Bessel function $J_0(x)$. Try to expand the function $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ into a Fourier-Bessel series of $J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} x)$ on the interval $(0, 1)$. (Hint: Use the recurrence formulas: $\frac{d}{dx}[J_0(x)] = -J_1(x)$, $\frac{d}{dx}[xJ_1(x)] = xJ_0(x)$)

2. Solve the following boundary value problem:

$$\begin{cases} u_{tt} = a^2(u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r}u_r), & 0 \leq r < 1, t > 0 \leftarrow \boxed{\text{change } u_{tt} \text{ to } u_t, -u_{zz} \text{ to create new exercise}} \\ u(1, t) = 0 \\ u(r, 0) = f(r), \quad f(1) = 0 \leftarrow \boxed{\text{Compatibility condition-initial data is compatible with boundary}} \\ u_t(r, 0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution. 1. $x^2 - 1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n J_0(\mu_n^{(0)} x)$, where

$$C_m = \frac{\int_0^1 x(x^2 - 1) J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} x) dx}{\frac{1}{2} J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^3 J_0(x) dx &= \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 (x J_1(x))' dx \\ &= (\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) - 2 \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 J_1(x) dx \\ &= ((\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) + 2 \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 J_0'(x) dx \\ &= ((\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) - 4 \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x J_0(x) dx \\ &= ((\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) - 4 \mu_m^{(0)} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^3 J_0(x) dx &= \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 (x J_1(x))' dx \\ &= (\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) - 2 \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^2 J_1(x) dx \\ &= ((\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)}) - 2(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 J_2(\mu_m^{(0)}) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$C_m = \frac{-8}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} \quad \text{or} \quad C_m = \frac{-4 J_2(\mu_m^{(0)})}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})}.$$

2. Apply the **method of separation of variables**. Let $u(x, t) = R(r)Z(z)$. Substitute it into the equation and separate variables to get

$$T'' - \lambda a^2 T = 0$$

$$r^2 R'' + r R' + \lambda r^2 R = 0$$

From $|u(0, t)| < +\infty$ and $u(1, t) = 0$, we know $|R(0)| < +\infty$ and $R(1) = 0$. Solving the zero - order Bessel equation, we get the general solution

$$R(r) = C J_0(\sqrt{\lambda} r) + D Y_0(\sqrt{\lambda} r)$$

From the condition $|R(0)| < +\infty$, we know $D = 0$. Denote $\mu_m^{(0)}$ as the m -th positive zero of $J_0(x)$. Then from the condition $R(1) = 0$, we have $J_0(\sqrt{\lambda}) = 0$, so

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_m = (\mu_m^{(0)})^2 \\ R_m(r) = J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) \end{cases}$$

Substitute λ_m into the equation of T to get

$$T_m(t) = a_m \cos(\mu_m^{(0)} a t) + b_m \sin(\mu_m^{(0)} a t)$$

Then

$$u_m(r, t) = [a_m \cos(\mu_m^{(0)} at) + b_m \sin(\mu_m^{(0)} at)] J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)$$

According to the superposition principle

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} [a_m \cos(\mu_m^{(0)} at) + b_m \sin(\mu_m^{(0)} at)] J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r)$$

From the initial value $u(r, 0) = \phi(r)$, we get

$$a_m = \frac{\int_0^1 r \phi(r) J_0(\mu_m^{(0)} r) dr}{\frac{1}{2} J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})}, \quad b_m = 0$$

Ex 1.8. 1. Calculate the definite integral $\int_0^1 x^3 J_0(\alpha x) dx$, where α is a positive zero of the Bessel function $J_0(x)$ of order zero. (Hint: Use the recurrence formulas: $J_0'(x) = -J_1(x)$, $\frac{d}{dx}[x J_1(x)] = x J_0(x)$)

2. Solve the following boundary value problem:

$$\begin{cases} u_t = u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} u_r, & 0 \leq r < 2, t > 0 \\ u(2, t) = 0, |u(0, t)| < +\infty, & t > 0 \\ u(r, 0) = 4 - r^2, & 0 \leq r \leq 2 \end{cases}$$

Solution. 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 x^3 J_0(\alpha x) dx &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha t^3 J_0(t) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha t^2 (t J_1(t))' dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} (\alpha^3 J_1(\alpha) - 2 \int_0^\alpha t^2 J_1(t) dt) \\ &= \frac{J_1(\alpha)}{\alpha} + \frac{2}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha t^2 J_0'(t) dt \\ &= \frac{J_1(\alpha)}{\alpha} - \frac{4}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha t J_0(t) dt \\ &= \frac{J_1(\alpha)}{\alpha} - \frac{4 J_1(\alpha)}{\alpha^3} \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 x^3 J_0(\alpha x) dx &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha t^3 J_0(t) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha t^2 (t J_1(t))' dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha^4} (\alpha^3 J_1(\alpha) - 2 \int_0^\alpha t^2 J_1(t) dt) \\ &= \frac{J_1(\alpha)}{\alpha} - \frac{2}{\alpha^4} \int_0^\alpha (t^2 J_2)'(t) dt \\ &= \frac{J_1(\alpha)}{\alpha} - \frac{2 J_2(\alpha)}{\alpha^2} \end{aligned}$$

2. Apply the **method of separation of variables**. Let $u(x, t) = R(r)T(t)$. Substitute it into the equation and separate variables to get

$$T' + \lambda T = 0$$

$$r^2 R'' + r R' + \lambda r^2 R = 0$$

From $|u(0, t)| < +\infty$, we have $|R(0)| < +\infty$, and from $u(2, t) = 0$, we have $R(2) = 0$. Solving the zero order Bessel equation, we get the general solution

$$R(r) = C J_0(\sqrt{\lambda} r) + D Y_0(\sqrt{\lambda} r)$$

From the condition $|R(0)| < +\infty$, we know $D = 0$. Denote $\mu_m^{(0)}$ as the m -th positive zero of $J_0(x)$. Then from the condition $R(2) = 0$, we have $J_0(2\sqrt{\lambda}) = 0$, so

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_m = \frac{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2}{4} \\ R_m(r) = J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)} r}{2}\right) \end{cases}$$

Substitute λ_m into the equation of T to get

$$T_m(t) = C_m e^{-\frac{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 t}{4}}$$

Then

$$u_m(r, t) = C_m e^{-\frac{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 t}{4}} J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)} r}{2}\right)$$

According to the superposition principle

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} C_m e^{-\frac{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 t}{4}} J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)} r}{2}\right)$$

From the initial condition, we have

$$\begin{aligned} C_m &= \frac{\int_0^2 r(4-r^2) J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)} r}{2}\right) dr}{2J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} \\ &= \frac{8 \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x J_0(x) dx}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} - \frac{8 \int_0^{\mu_m^{(0)}} x^3 J_0(x) dx}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^4 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} \\ &= \frac{8}{\mu_m^{(0)} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} - \frac{8}{\mu_m^{(0)} J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} + \frac{32}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} \\ &= \frac{32}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \frac{32}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^3 J_1(\mu_m^{(0)})} e^{-\frac{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 t}{4}} J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)} r}{2}\right)$$

or

$$u(x, t) = \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \frac{16 J_2(\mu_m^{(0)})}{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 J_1^2(\mu_m^{(0)})} e^{-\frac{(\mu_m^{(0)})^2 t}{4}} J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)} r}{2}\right)$$

Ex 1.9. Suppose there is a cylinder with radius a and height h , which is adiabatic (heat - insulated) from the outside. The initial temperature is $u_0(1 - \frac{\rho^2}{a^2})$. Find the temperature distribution and variation inside this cylinder.

Solution. Since the initial temperature is **independent of θ** and z , this problem is **independent of θ** and z . The problem can be translated as:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - k \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} \right) = 0 & \Leftrightarrow \quad u_t = k(u_{\rho\rho} + \frac{1}{\rho} u_{\rho}) \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \rho} \Big|_{\rho=a} = 0, \quad u|_{\rho=0} \text{ is bounded} & \leftarrow \quad \boxed{\text{The second kind boundary}} \\ u|_{t=0} = u_0(1 - \frac{\rho^2}{a^2}) \end{cases}$$

Using the **method of separation of variables**.

The separation of variables: Let $u(\rho, t) = R(\rho)T(t)$. Then

$$RT' - k \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{d}{d\rho} \left(\rho \frac{dR}{d\rho} \right) = RT' - k \frac{1}{\rho} (R' + \rho R'') = 0.$$

Dividing both sides by kRT , we get

$$\frac{T'}{kT} = \frac{R' + \rho R''}{\rho R} = -\lambda,$$

that is $R' + \rho R'' + \lambda \rho R = 0$ and $T' + k\lambda T = 0$.

Transform PDE to ODEs:

$$\begin{cases} T' + k\lambda T = 0 \\ \rho^2 R'' + \rho R' + \lambda \rho^2 R = 0 \end{cases}$$

The boundary conditions can be written as $R'(a)T(t) = 0$. To obtain a nontrivial solution, we have $R'(a) = 0$ and $|R(0)| < +\infty$.

Solve ODEs: The equation $\rho^2 R'' + \rho R' + \lambda \rho^2 R = 0$ is a Bessel equation of order 0.

Supplementary proof of $\lambda \geq 0$

The Bessel's equation is

$$\rho R'' + R' + \lambda \rho R = 0$$

Multiply both sides by R and integrate:

$$\int_0^a \rho R'' R d\rho + \int_0^a R R' d\rho + \lambda \int_0^a \rho R^2 d\rho = 0.$$

Using integration by parts:

$$\int_0^a \rho R'' R d\rho = \underbrace{[\rho R' R]_0^a}_{\text{by bdry condition}=0} - \int_0^a R R' d\rho - \int_0^a \rho (R')^2 d\rho$$

It follows that: $\lambda \int_0^a \rho R^2 d\rho = \int_0^a \rho (R')^2 d\rho$, and then $\lambda \geq 0$.

- Note: Compared with the first type boundary problem, λ can be 0 here.
- If $\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow R' = 0, \Rightarrow R = \text{constant}$. Unlike the first type problem, in the second type problem, $R(\rho) \not\equiv 0$, i.e., $R(\rho)$ could be a nonzero constant.
- Because in the first type problem, $\lambda = 0$ leads to $R(a) = 0$ and $R' = 0 \Rightarrow R \equiv 0$, while the second type boundary problem has no such issue.

Case 1: when $\lambda > 0$. The general solution of the Bessel equation of order 0 is $R(\rho) = C J_0(\sqrt{\lambda}\rho) + D Y_0(\sqrt{\lambda}\rho)$. From the boundedness $|R(0)| < +\infty$, we have $D = 0$. Then using $R'(a) = 0$, since $R'(\rho) = C\sqrt{\lambda}J_0'(\sqrt{\lambda}\rho) \Rightarrow R'(a) = C\sqrt{\lambda}J_0'(\sqrt{\lambda}a) = 0$, and $J_0'(\sqrt{\lambda}a) = -J_1(\sqrt{\lambda}a) = 0$ (recall in the first type boundary, here is $J_0(\sqrt{\lambda}a) = 0$. This is a main different!). Therefore, $R'(a) = 0 \Rightarrow J_1(\sqrt{\lambda}a) = 0$.

Let $\mu_m^{(1)}$ be the positive zero of $J_1(x)$ ($m = 1, 2, \dots$). Then the eigenvalues are

$$\lambda_m = \left(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a}\right)^2,$$

and the eigenfunctions are

$$R_m(\rho) = J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a}\rho\right) \leftarrow \boxed{\text{It is not } J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(0)}}{a}\rho\right)}, \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots).$$

For the ODE of T , $T_m(t) = C_m e^{-k(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a})^2 t}$. So $u_m(\rho, t) = C_m e^{-k(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a})^2 t} J_0(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a}\rho)$.

Case 2 when $\lambda = 0$. Solve $\rho^2 R'' + \rho R' = 0$, we get $R(\rho) = A + B \ln \rho$, then $R'(\rho) = \frac{B}{\rho}$. Using the boundary conditions $R'(a) = 0$ and $|R(0)| < +\infty$, we have $B = 0$, so $R_0(\rho) = A_0$. For the ODE of T , $T_0(t) = A_0^*$, so $u_0(\rho, t) = A_0^* A_0 \equiv C_0$.

Superposition series solution

$$u(\rho, t) = C_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} C_m e^{-k(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a})^2 t} J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a}\rho\right)$$

Determine coefficients from initial values

$$u(\rho, 0) = C_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} C_m J_0\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a} \rho\right) = u_0\left(1 - \frac{\rho^2}{a^2}\right)$$

- We cannot use the Fourier-Bessel coefficients given previously because $\mu_m^{(1)}$ is a zero of J_1 , not a zero of J_0 .

Proposition 1.1. Prove that $\int_0^1 J_0(\mu_i^{(1)} x) x dx = 0$, where $\mu_i^{(1)}$ is a zero of $J_1(x)$, that is $J_1(\mu_i^{(1)}) = 0$.

Proof.

$$\int_0^1 J_0(\mu_i^{(1)} x) x dx = \frac{1}{(\mu_i^{(1)})^2} \int_0^{\mu_i^{(1)}} J_0(t) t dt = \frac{1}{(\mu_i^{(1)})^2} [t J_1(t)]_0^{\mu_i^{(1)}} = \frac{1}{(\mu_i^{(1)})^2} \mu_i^{(1)} J_1(\mu_i^{(1)}) = 0$$

This shows that 1 and $J_0(\mu_i^{(1)} x)$ are **orthogonal**. □

Theorem 1.1. Let μ_i be a positive zero of $J'_n(r)$. Then

1. Orthogonality: $\int_0^1 J_n(\mu_i r) J_n(\mu_k r) r dr = 0$ ($i \neq k$)
2. And the norm: $\int_0^1 J_n^2(\mu_i r) r dr = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{n^2}{\mu_i^2}\right) J_n^2(\mu_i)$

Proof. 1. From the previous theorem, we know $\int_0^R r J_n\left(\frac{\mu_m^{(n)}}{R} r\right) J_n\left(\frac{\mu_k^{(n)}}{R} r\right) dr = 0$ ($m \neq k$). Using the notation in the proof of the orthogonality theorem,

$$(\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_2^2) \int_0^R r F_1(r) F_2(r) dr + \left[r F_2 \frac{dF_1}{dr} - r F_1 \frac{dF_2}{dr} \right]_0^R = 0. \quad (43)$$

Let $R = 1$, $\alpha_1 = \mu_i$, $\alpha_2 = \mu_k$, then $\frac{dF_1}{dr} \Big|_{r=1} = \mu_i J'_n(\mu_i) = 0$, $\frac{dF_2}{dr} \Big|_{r=1} = \mu_k J'_n(\mu_k) = 0$. So

$$(\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_2^2) \int_0^1 r F_1(r) F_2(r) dr = 0.$$

When $i \neq k$, $\int_0^1 r J_n(\mu_i r) J_n(\mu_k r) dr = 0$, and the orthogonality is proved.

2. Calculate $\int_0^1 J_n^2(\mu_i r) r dr$. Using (43),

$$\int_0^1 r F_1(r) F_2(r) dr = \frac{[r F_2 \frac{dF_1}{dr} - r F_1 \frac{dF_2}{dr}]_0^1}{\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_2^2}.$$

Let $\alpha_1 = \mu_i$, then $\frac{dF_1}{dr} \Big|_{r=1} = 0$. We further arrive at

$$\underbrace{\int_0^1 r J_n(\mu_i r) J_n(\alpha_2 r) dr}_{\text{a continuous function of } \alpha_2} = \frac{\alpha_2 J_n(\mu_i) J'_n(\alpha_2)}{\mu_i^2 - \alpha_2^2}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 J_n^2(\mu_i r) r dr &= \lim_{\alpha_2 \rightarrow \mu_i} \int_0^1 r J_n(\mu_i r) J_n(\alpha_2 r) dr \\ &= \lim_{\alpha_2 \rightarrow \mu_i} \frac{\alpha_2 J_n(\mu_i) J'_n(\alpha_2)}{\mu_i^2 - \alpha_2^2} \\ &= \lim_{\alpha_2 \rightarrow \mu_i} \frac{\alpha_2 J_n(\mu_i) J''_n(\alpha_2) + J_n(\mu_i) J'_n(\alpha_2)}{-2\alpha_2} \\ &= -\frac{\mu_i J_n(\mu_i) J''_n(\mu_i)}{2\mu_i} = -\frac{1}{2} J_n(\mu_i) J''_n(\mu_i) \end{aligned}$$

Using the Bessel equation $J_n''(x) + \frac{1}{x}J_n'(x) + (1 - \frac{n^2}{x^2})J_n(x) = 0$ with $x = \mu_i$, $J_n''(\mu_i) = -(1 - \frac{n^2}{\mu_i^2})J_n(\mu_i)$. Then

$$\int_0^1 J_n^2(\mu_i r) r dr = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{n^2}{\mu_i^2}\right) J_n^2(\mu_i).$$

□

Let $a = 1$, $u(\rho, 0) = C_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} C_m J_0(\mu_m^{(1)} \rho) = u_0(1 - \rho^2)$

$$C_0 = \frac{\int_0^1 u_0(1 - \rho^2) \rho d\rho}{\int_0^1 \rho d\rho} = \frac{u_0 \int_0^1 (\rho - \rho^3) d\rho}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} u_0,$$

$$C_m = \frac{\int_0^1 u_0(1 - \rho^2) \rho J_0(\mu_m^{(1)} \rho) d\rho}{\int_0^1 J_0^2(\mu_m^{(1)} \rho) \rho d\rho} = \frac{\mu_0 \int_0^1 [\rho J_0(\mu_m^{(1)} \rho) - \rho^3 J_0(\mu_m^{(1)} \rho)] d\rho}{\frac{1}{2} J_0^2(\mu_m^{(1)})}.$$

Calculate

$$\int_0^1 \rho J_0(\mu_m^{(1)} \rho) d\rho = \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} t J_0(t) dt = \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2} [t J_1(t)]_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} = 0$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \rho^3 J_0(\mu_m^{(1)} \rho) d\rho &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^4} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} t^3 J_0(t) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^4} \int_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} t^2 d(t J_1(t)) \\ &= \frac{1}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^4} \left([t^3 J_1(t)]_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} - 2 \int_0^{\mu_m^{(1)}} t J_1(t) dt \right) \\ &= -\frac{2(\mu_m^{(1)})^2}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^4} J_2(\mu_m^{(1)}) = -\frac{2J_2(\mu_m^{(1)})}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Substitute into C_m , and using $J_0(\mu_m^{(1)}) + J_2(\mu_m^{(1)}) = \frac{2}{\mu_m^{(1)}} J_1(\mu_m^{(1)}) = 0 \Rightarrow J_2(\mu_m^{(1)}) = -J_0(\mu_m^{(1)})$

$$C_m = -\frac{4u_0 J_0(\mu_m^{(1)})}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2 J_0^2(\mu_m^{(1)})} = -\frac{4u_0}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2 J_0(\mu_m^{(1)})}.$$

So

$$u(\rho, t) = \frac{1}{2} u_0 - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{4u_0}{(\mu_m^{(1)})^2 J_0(\mu_m^{(1)})} e^{-k(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a})^2 t} J_0(\frac{\mu_m^{(1)}}{a} \rho).$$

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