

Bessel Diff. Eqn. of order $p=1/2$

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The characteristic eqn.

$$C_n = \frac{-C_{n-2}}{(n+p)^2 - p^2} = \frac{-C_{n-2}}{n^2 + n} = -\frac{C_{n-2}}{n(n+1)} ; n \geq 2$$

$$n=2 \Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{-C_0}{2 \cdot 3}$$

$$n=3 \Rightarrow C_3 = \frac{-C_1}{3 \cdot 4} = 0$$

$$n=4 \Rightarrow C_4 = \frac{-C_2}{4 \cdot 5} = \frac{C_0}{5!}$$

$$n=5 \Rightarrow C_5 = 0$$

$$n=6 \Rightarrow C_6 = \frac{-C_4}{6 \cdot 7} = -\frac{C_0}{7!}$$

$$C_{2n} = \frac{(-1)^n C_0}{(2n+1)!} ; n \geq 1$$

$$\text{and } C_{2n-1} = 0 ; n \geq 2$$

$$y = C_0 x^{1/2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3!} x^2 + \frac{1}{5!} x^4 + \dots \right)$$

For $C_0 = 1$ the first solution is

$$y_1 = x^{1/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!}$$

The Case $r=-p < 0$

For any value $p \neq 1/2$ the second solution of the Bessel eqn. of order p is straightforward.

For $p=1/2$ the solution corresponding to $r=-p=-1/2$ has a difference. In this case the condition equation $C_1[(r+1)^2 - p^2] = 0$

vanishes for $p=-1/2$, for all $C_1 \in \mathbb{R}$. then one has $C_0 \neq 0, C_1 \neq 0$ are arbitrary. Hence

$$C_n = \frac{-C_{n-2}}{(n+p)^2 - p^2} = \frac{-C_{n-2}}{n^2 - n} = -\frac{C_{n-2}}{n(n-1)} ; n \geq 2$$

$$n=2 \Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{-C_0}{1 \cdot 2}$$

$$n=3 \Rightarrow C_3 = \frac{-C_1}{2 \cdot 3}$$

$$n=4 \Rightarrow C_4 = \frac{-C_2}{3 \cdot 4} = \frac{C_0}{4!}$$

$$n=5 \Rightarrow C_5 = \frac{-C_3}{4 \cdot 5} = \frac{C_1}{5!}$$

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Summing up

$$y = C_0 x^{-1/2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2!} x^2 + \frac{1}{4!} x^4 + \dots \right) + \dots$$

$$\dots + C_1 x^{-1/2} \left(x - \frac{1}{3!} x^3 + \frac{1}{5!} x^5 + \dots \right)$$

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In general

$$C_{2n} = \frac{(-1)^n C_0}{(2n)!} ; n \geq 1 \quad \text{and}$$

$$C_{2n+1} = \frac{(-1)^n C_1}{(2n+1)!} ; n \geq 1$$

Therefore the general solution is

$$y(x) = C_0 x^{-1/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!} + C_1 x^{-1/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!}$$

For $C_0 = 1, C_1 = 0$ the first solution is

$$y_1 = x^{-1/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

For $C_0 = 0, C_1 = 1$ the second solution is

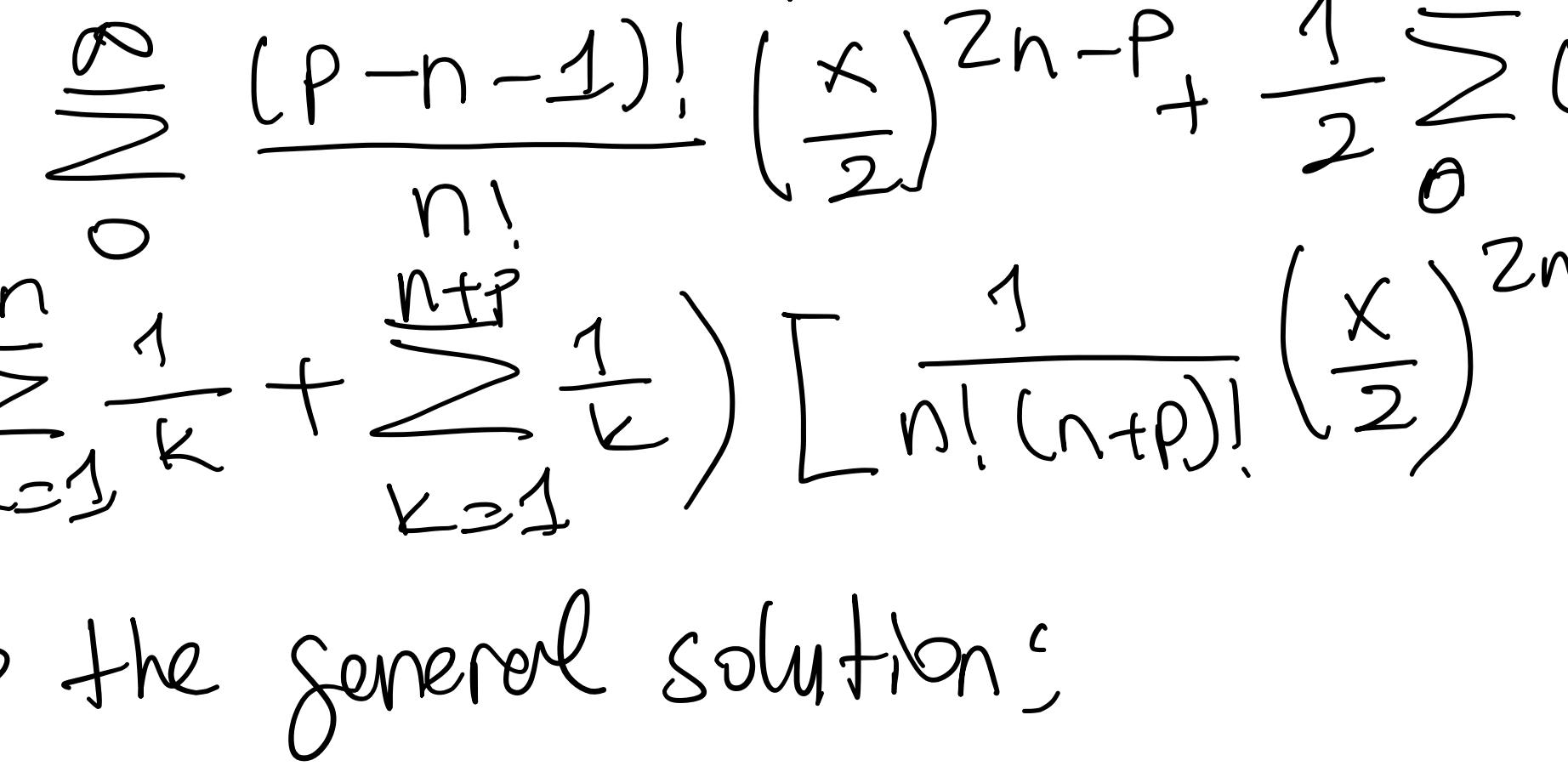
$$y_2 = x^{-1/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!}$$

But this solution is same as the one of the case $r=p=1/2$. Therefore for $p=1/2$, the linearly independent solutions for $r=1/2, r=-1/2$ are

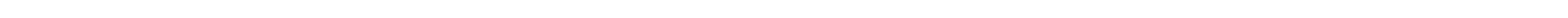
$$y_1 = x^{-1/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n+1)!}, y_2 = x^{-1/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

and general solution is

$$y_g = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2$$



(a) $y_1 = J_{1/2}(x)$



(b) $y_2 = J_{-1/2}(x)$

Let $r=-p$ then substitution of this $J_p(x)$

$$p! 2^{-p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!(n-p)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n-p}$$

Since, $(-p)!$ is undefined and 2^{-p} is a multiplication of the \sum fraction, they'll be excluded

and $J_{-p}(x)$ is defined as:

$$J_{-p}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!(n-p)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n-p}$$

Since, $J_p(x)$ and $J_{-p}(x)$ are independent of each other, then the general solution for the case that p is not positive integer;

$$y_{\text{gen}} = C_1 J_p(x) + C_2 J_{-p}(x)$$

The case that " p " is positive integer

$$y_1 = y(x, r) \Big|_{r=-p}$$

y_1 is obtained as

$$J_p(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!(n-p)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n-p}$$

$$y_1 = y(x, r) \Big|_{r=-p} = J_{-p}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!(n-p)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n-p}$$

But it can be shown that this is linearly dependent to the former. Another independent solution y_2 is obtained as

$$y_2 = \frac{\partial y(x, r)}{\partial r} \Big|_{r=-p} \quad \text{as stated before,}$$

Having jumped over cumbersome manipulations, the result is below

$$y_2 = Y_{-p}(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left\{ \ln \left| \frac{x}{2} \right| + Y \right\} J_p(x) -$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p-n-1)!}{n!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n-p} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1}$$

$$\left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} + \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{k} \right) \left[\frac{1}{n!(n+p)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2n+p} \right] \right\}$$

So the general solution;

$$y_{\text{gen}} = C_1 J_p(x) + C_2 Y_{-p}(x)$$