

Laguerre polinomials

`LaguerreL[n, x]` gives the Laguerre polynomial $L_n(x)$

which is the solution to EDO: $x \dot{y} + (1-x) \dot{y} + ny = 0$.

`LaguerreL[n, k, x]` gives the generalized Laguerre polynomial $L_n^k(x)$

which is the solution to EDO: $x \dot{y} + (k+1-x) \dot{y} + ny = 0$.

Simple Laguerre $L_n(x)$

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In[1]:= LaguerreL[0, x]
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Out[1]= 1
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In[2]:= For[i = 0, i < 7, i++, Print[LaguerreL[i, x]]]
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1
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1 - x
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 $\frac{1}{2} (2 - 4x + x^2)$ 
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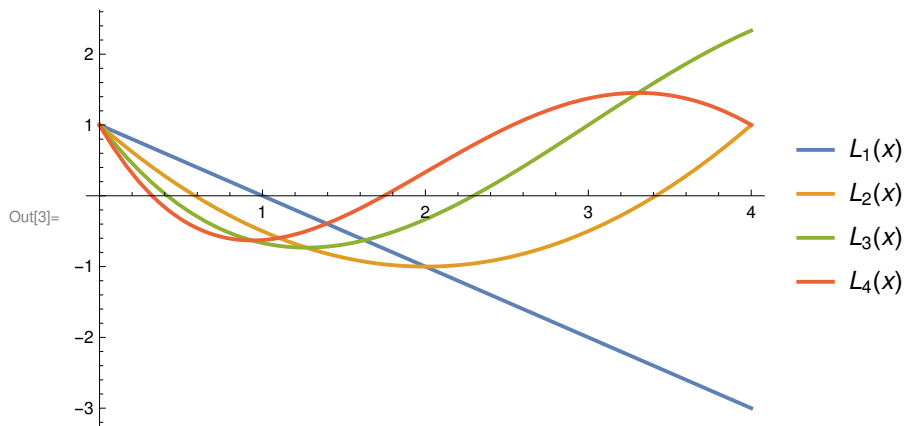
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 $\frac{1}{6} (6 - 18x + 9x^2 - x^3)$ 
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 $\frac{1}{24} (24 - 96x + 72x^2 - 16x^3 + x^4)$ 
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 $\frac{1}{120} (120 - 600x + 600x^2 - 200x^3 + 25x^4 - x^5)$ 
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 $\frac{1}{720} (720 - 4320x + 5400x^2 - 2400x^3 + 450x^4 - 36x^5 + x^6)$ 
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In[3]:= Plot[{LaguerreL[1, x], LaguerreL[2, x], LaguerreL[3, x], LaguerreL[4, x]},  
            {x, 0, 4}, PlotStyle -> Thick, PlotLegends -> "Expressions"]
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Associated Laguerre $L_n^k(x)$

LaguerreL[n, μ , z] // TraditionalForm

$L_n^\mu(z)$

LaguerreL[1, 0, x]

$1 - x$

For[i = 0, i < 6, i++, Print[LaguerreL[i, i, x]]]

1

2 - x

$\frac{1}{2} (12 - 8x + x^2)$

$\frac{1}{6} (120 - 90x + 18x^2 - x^3)$

$\frac{1}{24} (1680 - 1344x + 336x^2 - 32x^3 + x^4)$

$\frac{1}{120} (30240 - 25200x + 7200x^2 - 900x^3 + 50x^4 - x^5)$

Print the Laguerre associated $L_n^k(x)$

For[i = 0, i < 3, i++,

For[j = 0, j < 3, j++, Print["(n,k) -> ", "(", i, j, ")", " -> ", LaguerreL[i, j, x]]]

(n,k) -> (00) -> 1

(n,k) -> (01) -> 1

(n,k) -> (02) -> 1

(n,k) -> (10) -> 1 - x

(n,k) -> (11) -> 2 - x

(n,k) -> (12) -> 3 - x

(n,k) -> (20) -> $\frac{1}{2} (2 - 4x + x^2)$

(n,k) -> (21) -> $\frac{1}{2} (6 - 6x + x^2)$

(n,k) -> (22) -> $\frac{1}{2} (12 - 8x + x^2)$

Radial wave-function of the hydrogen atom:

We used the Bohr radio equal to 1.

$$\psi[n_, l_, r_] := \sqrt{\frac{(n-l-1)!}{(n+l)!}} E^{-\frac{r}{n}} \left(\frac{2r}{n}\right)^l \frac{2}{n^2} \text{LaguerreL}[n-l-1, 2l+1, \frac{2r}{n}]$$

$$\psi[1, 0, r]$$

$$2 e^{-r}$$

$$\psi[2, 1, r]$$

$$\frac{e^{-r/2} r}{2 \sqrt{6}}$$

$$\psi[3, 0, r]$$

$$\frac{2 e^{-r/3} (27 - 18 r + 2 r^2)}{81 \sqrt{3}}$$

Compute the energy eigenvalue from the differential equation:

$$\text{energy}[w_, r_, n_, l_] := \text{Simplify}\left[\frac{1}{w} \left(D[w, r, r] + \frac{2}{r} D[w, r] - \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} w + \frac{2}{r} w \right)\right]$$

The energy is independent of the orbital quantum number l :

$$\text{Solve}[(\text{energy}[\psi[n, l, r], r, n, l] - \varepsilon // \text{FullSimplify}) == 0, \varepsilon]$$

$$\left\{ \left\{ \varepsilon \rightarrow \frac{1}{n^2} \right\} \right\}$$