

Chapter - 13

Bessel's Equation & Bessel's functions :-

* Bessel's Equation :-

The differential equation of the form
$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{x} \frac{dy}{dx} + \left(1 - \frac{n^2}{x^2}\right) y = 0 \quad \text{OR}$$

$x^2 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + (x^2 - n^2) y = 0$ is known

Bessel's differential equation.

Solution of this differential equation are called Bessel's function of order n and one solution is denoted by $J_n(x)$ which is known as Bessel's function of the first kind and another solution is denoted by $J_{-n}(x)$, which is known as Bessel's function of the second kind.

Solution of Bessel's Differential Equation:-

The Bessel's Diff eqⁿ is

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + (x^2 - n^2) y = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Let the solⁿ of eqⁿ (1) is given by

$$y = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+m} \quad \text{--- (*)}$$

$$\therefore y' = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+m-1} (k+m)$$

$$y'' = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (k+m)(k+m-1) x^{k+m-2}$$

Put (2) in (1)

$$x^2 \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (k+m)(k+m-1) x^{k+m-2} \right] + x \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (k+m) x^{k+m-1} \right] + (x^2 - n^2) \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+m} \right) = 0$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (k+m)(k+m-1) x^{k+m} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (k+m) x^{k+m} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+m+2} - n^2 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+m} = 0$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \left[(k+m)(k+m-1) + (k+m) - n^2 \right] x^{k+m} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+m+2} = 0$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \left[(k+m)(k+m-1+1) - n^2 \right] x^{k+m} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+m+2} = 0$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \left[(k+m)(k+m) - n^2 \right] x^{k+m} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+m+2} = 0$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \left[(k+m)^2 - n^2 \right] x^{k+m} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+m+2} = 0$$

Comparing the Coeff of x^m

(3)

$$k = k+m-m$$

$$a_0 \left[(0+m)^2 - n^2 \right] = 0$$

$$a_0 \left[m^2 - n^2 \right] = 0$$

$$\text{but } a_0 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - n^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 = n^2$$

$$m = \pm n$$

$$\text{i.e. } \boxed{m=n} \text{ or } \boxed{m=-n}$$

Comparing the Coeff of x^{m+1} ($k \rightarrow 1$)

$$a_1 \left[(m+1)^2 - n^2 \right] = 0$$

$$a_1 \left[m^2 + 2m + 1 - n^2 \right] = 0$$

$$m^2 + 2m + 1 - n^2 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{a_1 = 0}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if } m=n \\ m^2 + 2m + 1 - n^2 = 0 \\ (2n+1) \neq 0 \\ \text{if } m=-n \\ m^2 + 2m + 1 - n^2 = 0 \\ -2n+1 \neq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Comparing Coeff of x^{k+m+2} ($k \rightarrow k+2$)

$$a_{k+2}((k+2+m)^2 - n^2) + a_k = 0$$

$$a_{k+2} = \frac{-1}{(k+2+m)^2 - n^2} a_k \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Put $k=1, 3, 5, 7, \dots$ in (4), we get

$$a_3 = \frac{-1}{(1+2+m)^2 - n^2} a_1$$

$$a_3 = 0 \quad [\because a_1 = 0]$$

$$a_5 = \frac{-1}{(3+2+m)^2 - n^2} a_3 = 0 \quad [\because a_3 = 0]$$

$$\text{Hly } a_7 = a_9 = \dots = 0 \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Now two Cases arise :-

Case I :- Put $m=n$ in eqn (4)

$$a_{k+2} = \frac{-1}{(k+2+n)^2 - n^2} a_k$$

Now Put $k=0, 2, 4, 6, \dots$

$$a_2 = \frac{-1}{(0+2+n)^2 - n^2} a_0$$

$$-\frac{1}{(2+n)^2 - n^2} a_0 = -\frac{1}{4+n^2+4n-n^2} a_0$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{1}{4(n+1)} a_0 \checkmark$$

$$a_4 = -\frac{1}{(2+2+n)^2 - n^2} a_2$$

$$= -\frac{1}{(4+n)^2 - n^2} a_2 = -\frac{1}{16+n^2+8n-n^2} a_2$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{16+8n} \right) \left(-\frac{1}{4(n+1)} \right) a_0$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{8(n+2)} \right) \left(\frac{1}{4(n+1)} \right) a_0$$

$$= \frac{1}{4 \cdot 8(n+1)(n+2)} a_0 \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

and so on.

Now from eqⁿ (*) and as m=n

$$y = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{n+k}$$

$$= a_0 x^n + a_1 x^{n+1} + a_2 x^{n+2} + \dots$$

$$= a_0 x^n + 0 + \left(-\frac{1}{4(n+1)} \right) a_0 x^{n+2} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 8(n+1)(n+2)} a_0 x^{n+4} + \dots$$

$$= a_0 \left[x^n - \frac{1}{4(n+1)} x^{n+2} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 8(n+1)(n+2)} x^{n+4} - \dots \right] \quad (7)$$

Put $a_0 = \frac{1}{2^n \sqrt{n+1}}$ in eqⁿ (7)

$$J_n(x) = y = \frac{1}{2^n \sqrt{n+1}} x^n \left[1 - \frac{\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2}{n+1} + \frac{1}{2(n+1)(n+2)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^4 - \dots \right]$$

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

Case 2 :- when $m = -n$

changing n to $-n$ in eqⁿ (7)

$$y = a_0 \left[x^{-n} - \frac{1}{4(-n+1)} x^{-n+2} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 8(-n+1)(-n+2)} x^{-n+4} - \dots \right] \quad (8)$$

Put $a_0 = \frac{1}{2^{-n} \sqrt{-n+1}}$ in eqⁿ (8)

$$y = \frac{1}{2^{-n} \sqrt{-n+1}} x^{-n} \left[1 - \frac{1}{(-n+1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{(-n+1)(-n+2)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^4 - \dots \right]$$

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

Result :- $\boxed{\Gamma(n+1) = n \Gamma(n)}$

Recurrence Relations :-

(1) $x J'_n(x) = n \cdot J_n(x) - x J_{n+1}(x)$

proof

we know that

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

where n is a true Integer

Diff w.r.t ' x ', we have

$$J'_n(x) = \sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\mu}}{\mu! \Gamma(n+\mu+1)} \frac{(n+2\mu)}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+2\mu-1}$$

$$x J'_n(x) = \sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\mu}}{\mu! \Gamma(n+\mu+1)} \frac{(n+2\mu)}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+2\mu} \quad (*)$$

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

(2) $x J'_n(x) =$

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

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

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

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

Put $\mu-1 = s$
 $\mu = s+1$

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

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

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

$$= n J_n(x) - x J_{n+1}(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x J_n'(x) = n J_n(x) - x J_{n+1}(x)$$

(2) $x J_n'(x) = -n J_n(x) + x J_{n-1}(x)$

As in T_1 we have

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

(see eq (*)
in R.R-I)

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

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

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

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

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

$$\because \Gamma(n+\mu+1) = (n+\mu) \Gamma(n+\mu)$$

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

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

$$\left[\because \Gamma(n+\mu) = (n+\mu-1)! \right]$$

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

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

$$\boxed{x J'_n(x) = -n J_n(x) + x J_{n-1}(x)}$$

$$\left[\because J_{n-1}(x) = \sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{\mu}}{\mu!} \frac{1}{\Gamma(n-1+\mu+1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n-1+\mu} \right]$$

$$(3) \quad 2 J'_n(x) = J_{n-1}(x) - J_{n+1}(x)$$

from Recurrence relation I, we have

$$x J'_n(x) = n J_n(x) - x J_{n+1}(x)$$

and from R.R - II, we have

$$x J'_n(x) = -n J_n(x) + x J_{n-1}(x)$$

Add (1) and (2)

$$x J'_n(x) + x J'_n(x) = \cancel{n J_n(x)} - \cancel{n J_n(x)} - x J_{n+1}(x) + x J_{n-1}(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2x J_n'(x) &= -x J_{n+1}(x) + x J_{n-1}(x) \\
 2x J_n'(x) &= x J_{n-1}(x) - x J_{n+1}(x) \\
 \boxed{2 J_n'(x) &= J_{n-1}(x) - J_{n+1}(x)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(4) \quad 2n J_n(x) = x [J_{n-1}(x) + J_{n+1}(x)]$$

From R.R-I and R.R-II, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 x J_n'(x) &= n J_n(x) - x J_{n+1}(x) \quad \text{--- (1)} \\
 x J_n'(x) &= -n J_n(x) + x J_{n-1}(x) \quad \text{--- (2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Sub (1) and (2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 x J_n'(x) - x J_n'(x) &= n J_n(x) + n J_n(x) \\
 &\quad - x J_{n+1}(x) - x J_{n-1}(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$0 = 2n J_n(x) - x [J_{n+1}(x) + J_{n-1}(x)]$$

$$x [J_{n+1}(x) + J_{n-1}(x)] = 2n J_n(x)$$

$$\boxed{2n J_n(x) = x [J_{n-1}(x) + J_{n+1}(x)]}$$

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

proof

L.H.S

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^{-n} J_n(x)]$$

$$= J_n(x) \frac{d}{dx} x^{-n} + x^{-n} \frac{d}{dx} J_n(x)$$

$$= J_n(x) (-n x^{-n-1}) + x^{-n} J'_n(x)$$

$$= -n x^{-n-1} J_n(x) + x^{-n} J'_n(x)$$

$$= x^{-n-1} [-n J_n(x) + x J'_n(x)]$$

$$= x^{-n-1} [-n J_n(x) + x J'_n(x)]$$

$$= x^{-n-1} [-n J_n(x) + (n J_n(x) - x J_{n+1}(x))]$$

from Rec. Relation I,
we have $x J'_n(x) = n J_n(x) - x J_{n+1}(x)$

$$= x^{-n-1} [-n J_n(x) + n J_n(x) - x J_{n+1}(x)]$$

$$= x^{-n-1} [-x J_{n+1}(x)]$$

$$= (-x) (x^{-n-1}) J_{n+1}(x)$$

$$= -x^{-n-1+1} J_{n+1}(x)$$

$$= -x^{-n} J_{n+1}(x)$$

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

⑥ $\frac{d}{dx} [x^n J_n(x)] = x^n J_{n-1}(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [x^n J_n(x)] &= n x^{n-1} J_n(x) + x^n J_n'(x) \\ &= x^{n-1} [n J_n(x) + x J_n'(x)] \\ &= x^{n-1} [n J_n(x) + x(-n J_n(x) + x J_{n-1}(x))] \end{aligned}$$

from R.R. II, we have

$$x J_n'(x) = -n J_n(x) + x J_{n-1}(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= x^{n-1} [n \cancel{J_n(x)} - n \cancel{J_n(x)} + x J_{n-1}(x)] \\ &= x^{n-1} [x J_{n-1}(x)] \\ &= x^n J_{n-1}(x) \end{aligned}$$

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

Generating function for $J_n(x)$:

The function $e^{\frac{x}{2}(z - \frac{1}{z})}$ is called generating function i.e. Coefficient of z^n is $J_n(x)$ and Coefficient of z^{-n} is $(-1)^n J_n(x)$, where n is positive integer.

proof:- $e^{\frac{x}{2}(z - \frac{1}{z})} = e^{\frac{xz}{2} - \frac{x}{2z}}$

$$= e^{\frac{xz}{2}} \cdot e^{-\frac{x}{2z}}$$

$$= \left[1 + \frac{xz}{2} + \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{xz}{2}\right)^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{xz}{2}\right)^n + \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left(\frac{xz}{2}\right)^{n+1} + \dots \right] \times$$

$$\left[1 - \frac{x}{2z} + \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{x}{2z}\right)^2 + \dots + \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \left(\frac{x}{2z}\right)^n + \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \left(\frac{x}{2z}\right)^{n+1} + \frac{(-1)^{n+2}}{(n+2)!} \left(\frac{x}{2z}\right)^{n+2} + \dots \right]$$

Because we know that

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

And $e^{-x} = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$

Coefficient of z^n in this product

$$= \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n - \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+1} + \frac{1}{(n+2)!} \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+2} + \dots$$

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

$$= \frac{(-1)^0}{\Gamma(n+1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n + \frac{(-1)^1}{\Gamma(n+2)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+2} + \frac{(-1)^2}{2! \Gamma(n+3)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+4} + \dots$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Gamma(n+1) = n! \\ \Gamma(n+2) = (n+1)! \\ \Gamma(n+3) = (n+2)! \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^0}{0! \Gamma(n+1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n + \frac{(-1)^1}{1! \Gamma(n+2)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+2} + \frac{(-1)^2}{2! \Gamma(n+3)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+4} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^0}{0! \Gamma(n+1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n + \frac{(-1)^1}{1! \Gamma(n+1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+2} + \frac{(-1)^2}{2! \Gamma(n+1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+4} + \dots$$

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

$$= J_n(x)$$

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

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Similarly, the coefficient of z^{-n} in this product:

$$= \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n + \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+1}$$

$$+ \frac{(-1)^{n+2}}{(n+2)!} \cdot \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+2} + \dots$$

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

$$\frac{(-1)^{n+2}}{(n+2)!} \cdot \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+4} + \dots$$

$$= (-1)^n \left[\frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n + \frac{(-1)^1}{(n+1)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+2} +$$

$$\frac{(-1)^2}{(n+2)!} \cdot \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+4} + \dots$$

$$= (-1)^n \left[\frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n + \frac{(-1)^1}{(n+1)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+2} +$$

$$+ \frac{(-1)^2}{2! (n+3)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+4} + \dots \right]$$

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

$$+ \frac{(-1)^2}{2! (n+3)!} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{n+4} + \dots \right]$$

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