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Bessel Functions - $J_n(x)$ and $Y_n(x)$

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ABSTRACT

The procedure `besseljy` calculates $J_0(x), J_1(x), \dots, J_n(x)$
and $Y_0(x), Y_1(x), \dots, Y_n(x)$.



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1. Function and Parameters.

besseljy calculates the Bessel functions of first kind $J_0(x), J_1(x), \dots, J_n(x)$ and the Bessel functions of second kind $Y_0(x), Y_1(x), \dots, Y_n(x)$ of integer order and with real argument.

Procedure heading:

```
procedure besseljy (n,x,J,Y);
value n,x; integer n; real x; array J,Y;
```

Call Parameters:

```
n      (integer or real) (real is rounded to nearest integer)
      maximum order of the Bessel functions.
      n must be  $\geq 0$ .
x      (integer or real) the argument, must be  $\leq 0$ .
```

Return Parameters:

```
J      (real array J(0:n) )
      the calculated values of the functions
       $J(0)=J_0(x), \dots, J(n)=J_n(x)$ .
Y      (real array Y(0:n) )
      the calculated values of the functions
       $Y(0)=Y_0(x), \dots, Y(n)=Y_n(x)$ .
```

2. Method.

First the functions $J_i(x)$ are calculated.

For $\text{abs } x \leq 10^{-5}$ the procedure uses a truncated power expansion

$$J(i)(x) = (x/2)^{2i}/i!$$

for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$.

For $\text{abs } x > 10^{-5}$ the values are found by recurrence, see [1]

$$j(i-1)(x) = 2xi/x \times j(i)(x) - j(i+1)(x)$$

for $i = nb-2, nb-3, \dots, 1$, where $j(nb)(x) = 0$ and $j(nb-1)(x) = 10^{-150}$. nb is an even integer found as a function of x and n , within the limits given in [2].

After recurrence $J(i)(x)$ is found as

$$J(i) = j(i)(x) / (j(0)(x) + 2x \sum_{m=1}^{nb/2} j(2xm)(x))$$

for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$.

Then $Y_0(x)$ and $Y_1(x)$ are found from the summation theorems, see [1]:

$$Y_0(x) = 2/\pi \times ((\text{gamma} + \ln(\text{abs}(x/2))) \times J_0(x) - 4 \times \sum_{p=1}^{nb/2} ((-1)^p \times p / (2 \times p) \times J(2 \times p)(x)))$$

$$Y_1(x) = 2/\pi \times (-1/x \times J_0(x) + (\ln(\text{abs}(x/2)) + \text{gamma} - 1) \times J_1(x) + \sum_{o=3}^{nb/2} ((-1)^o \times ((a+1)/2) \times 4 \times x^o / (o \times 2 - 1) \times J_0(x)))$$

for odd values of o . The upper bound $nb/2$ is a substitute for infinity, see [2].

3. Accuracy, Time and Storage Requirements.

Accuracy: relative error $<_{10}^{-7}$
 Time: if $\text{abs } x \leq_{10}^{-5}$: approx. 5 ms
 else approx. $10 + 0.7 \times n$ ms.
 e.g. $x=2$, $n=20$: 17 ms
 $x=10$, $n=40$: 28 ms
 Storage requirements: 2 segments of program and 8 local real variables.
 (during translation 3 segments).
 Typographical length: 75 lines incl. last comment.

4. Test and discussion.

The algorithm is similar to the GIER procedure D.No. 208, [3].

Below program gives the following output:

```
begin
comment here the procedure is copied unless it is already
translated as an external;

integer i,n; real x;
  write(out,<:<12><10> n    x :>,false add 32,13,<:J(n):>,
        false add 32,18,<:Y(n)<10>:>);
AGAIN:
  read(in,n); if n=-1 then goto END;
  begin array J,Y(0:n);
  read(in,x);
  besseljy(n,x,J,Y);
  write(out,<:<10>:>,<<dd>,n,<<dd.dd>,x,
        << -d.ddddd dddd10-dd>,J(n),Y(n) );
  goto AGAIN;
  end inner block;
END:
end

data:
0, 0.001
0, 0.5
0, 5
1, 5
10, 5
20, 5
-1,
```

n	x	J(n)		Y(n)	
0	0.001	9.99999	75004 ₁₀ -1	-4.47141	66116 ₁₀ 0
0	0.500	9.38469	80724 ₁₀ -1	-4.44518	73352 ₁₀ -1
0	5.000	-1.77596	77133 ₁₀ -1	-3.08517	62526 ₁₀ -1
1	5.000	-3.27579	13760 ₁₀ -1	1.47863	14342 ₁₀ -1
10	5.000	1.46780	26472 ₁₀ -3	-2.51291	10098 ₁₀ 1
20	5.000	2.77033	00515 ₁₀ -11	-5.93396	52968 ₁₀ 8

5. References.

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- [5] British Association Mathematical Tables, Vol. X Bessel Functions, order 2 to 20, Cambridge University Press, 1952.

6. Algorithm.

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besseljy=set 3
besseljy=algol
external
```

```

procudure besseljy (n,x,J,Y);
value n,x; integer n; real x; array J,Y;
begin integer a,nb,N;
real j0,j1,sum,y0,y1,y2;
boolean even;
sum:=abs x;
x:=j1:=x/2;
y0:=y1:=0;
y2:=ln(sum)-0.1159315156584;
if sum<=10-5 then
begin
j(0):=sum:=j0:=1;
for nb:=1 step 1 until n do J(nb):=J(nb-1)*x/nb
end
else
```

```

begin
  N:=n+1;
  if n>10 then
    begin
      for N:=N-1 while (sum/N)×N<10-100 do J(N):=0;
      N:=N+1
    end;
  nb:=0.525×sum+13;
  nb:=2×(if nb <=N//2 then N//2+1 else nb);
  j1:=nb-150;
  j0:=sum:=0;
  even:=false;
  a:=(-1)×((nb-2)//2);
  for nb:=nb-1 step -1 until 2 do
    begin
      if nb<N then J(nb):=if even then j0 else j1;
      if even then
        begin j1:=nb/x×j0-j1; y0:=a/nb×j0+y0 end
      else
        begin
          j0:=nb/x×j1-j0;
          y1:=a×nb/(nb×2-1)×j1+y1;
          a:=-a;
          sum:=sum+j0
        end;
      even:=¬even
    end;
  j0:=j1/x-j0;
  sum:=2×sum+j0;
  J(0):=j0/sum;
  if n>0 then J(1):=j1/sum;
  for nb:=N-1 step -1 until 2 do J(nb):=J(nb)/sum
end;
Y(0):=y0:=0.63661977236758×(4×y0+y2×j0)/sum;
if n>0 then Y(1):=y1:=0.63661977236758×
  (-j0/x/2+(y2-1)×j1-y1×4)/sum;
for nb:=2 step 1 until n do
  begin
    Y(nb):=y2:=(nb-1)/x×y1-y0;
    y0:=y1; y1:=y2
  end
end besseljy;

```

comment

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