6.7 Bessel Functions of Fractional Order, Airy Functions, Spherical Bessel Functions

Many algorithms have been proposed for computing Bessel functions of fractional order numerically. Most of them are, in fact, not very good in practice. The routines given here are rather complicated, but they can be recommended wholeheartedly.

Ordinary Bessel Functions

The basic idea is *Steed's method*, which was originally developed [1] for Coulomb wave functions. The method calculates J_{ν} , J'_{ν} , Y_{ν} , and Y'_{ν} simultaneously, and so involves four relations among these functions. Three of the relations come from two continued fractions, one of which is complex. The fourth is provided by the Wronskian relation

$$W \equiv J_{\nu}Y_{\nu}' - Y_{\nu}J_{\nu}' = \frac{2}{\pi x}$$
 (6.7.1)

The first continued fraction, CF1, is defined by

$$f_{\nu} \equiv \frac{J_{\nu}'}{J_{\nu}} = \frac{\nu}{x} - \frac{J_{\nu+1}}{J_{\nu}}$$

$$= \frac{\nu}{x} - \frac{1}{2(\nu+1)/x - 2(\nu+2)/x - 2$$

You can easily derive it from the three-term recurrence relation for Bessel functions: Start with equation (6.5.6) and use equation (5.5.18). Forward evaluation of the continued fraction by one of the methods of §5.2 is essentially equivalent to backward recurrence of the recurrence relation. The rate of convergence of CF1 is determined by the position of the turning point $x_{\rm tp} = \sqrt{\nu(\nu+1)} \approx \nu$, beyond which the Bessel functions become oscillatory. If $x \lesssim x_{\rm tp}$, convergence is very rapid. If $x \gtrsim x_{\rm tp}$, then each iteration of the continued fraction effectively increases ν by one until $x \lesssim x_{\rm tp}$; thereafter rapid convergence sets in. Thus the number of iterations of CF1 is of order x for large x. In the routine bessjy we set the maximum allowed number of iterations to 10,000. For larger x, you can use the usual asymptotic expressions for Bessel functions.

One can show that the sign of J_{ν} is the same as the sign of the denominator of CF1 once it has converged.

The complex continued fraction CF2 is defined by

$$p + iq \equiv \frac{J_{\nu}' + iY_{\nu}'}{J_{\nu} + iY_{\nu}} = -\frac{1}{2x} + i + \frac{i}{x} \frac{(1/2)^2 - \nu^2}{2(x+i) + 2} \frac{(3/2)^2 - \nu^2}{2(x+2i) + 2} \cdots$$
(6.7.3)

(We sketch the derivation of CF2 in the analogous case of modified Bessel functions in the next subsection.) This continued fraction converges rapidly for $x \gtrsim x_{\rm tp}$, while convergence fails as $x \to 0$. We have to adopt a special method for small x, which we describe below. For x not too small, we can ensure that $x \gtrsim x_{\rm tp}$ by a stable recurrence of J_{ν} and J'_{ν} downwards to a value $\nu = \mu \lesssim x$, thus yielding the ratio f_{μ} at this lower value of ν . This is the stable direction for the recurrence relation. The initial values for the recurrence are

$$J_{\nu} = \text{arbitrary}, \qquad J_{\nu}' = f_{\nu} J_{\nu}, \tag{6.7.4}$$

with the sign of the arbitrary initial value of J_{ν} chosen to be the sign of the denominator of CF1. Choosing the initial value of J_{ν} very small minimizes the possibility of overflow during the recurrence. The recurrence relations are

$$J_{\nu-1} = \frac{\nu}{x} J_{\nu} + J_{\nu}'$$

$$J_{\nu-1}' = \frac{\nu - 1}{x} J_{\nu-1} - J_{\nu}$$
(6.7.5)

Once CF2 has been evaluated at $\nu = \mu$, then with the Wronskian (6.7.1) we have enough relations to solve for all four quantities. The formulas are simplified by introducing the quantity

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{p - f_{\mu}}{q} \tag{6.7.6}$$

Then

$$J_{\mu} = \pm \left(\frac{W}{q + \gamma(p - f_{\mu})}\right)^{1/2} \tag{6.7.7}$$

$$J'_{\mu} = f_{\mu} J_{\mu}$$
 (6.7.8)
 $Y_{\mu} = \gamma J_{\mu}$ (6.7.9)

$$Y_{\mu} = \gamma J_{\mu} \tag{6.7.9}$$

$$Y'_{\mu} = Y_{\mu} \left(p + \frac{q}{\gamma} \right) \tag{6.7.10}$$

The sign of J_{μ} in (6.7.7) is chosen to be the same as the sign of the initial J_{ν} in (6.7.4).

Once all four functions have been determined at the value $\nu = \mu$, we can find them at the original value of ν . For J_{ν} and J'_{ν} , simply scale the values in (6.7.4) by the ratio of (6.7.7) to the value found after applying the recurrence (6.7.5). The quantities Y_{ν} and Y'_{ν} can be found by starting with the values in (6.7.9) and (6.7.10) and using the stable upwards recurrence

$$Y_{\nu+1} = \frac{2\nu}{x} Y_{\nu} - Y_{\nu-1} \tag{6.7.11}$$

together with the relation

$$Y_{\nu}' = \frac{\nu}{r} Y_{\nu} - Y_{\nu+1} \tag{6.7.12}$$

Now turn to the case of small x, when CF2 is not suitable. Temme [2] has given a good method of evaluating Y_{ν} and $Y_{\nu+1}$, and hence Y'_{ν} from (6.7.12), by series expansions that accurately handle the singularity as $x \to 0$. The expansions work only for $|\nu| \le 1/2$, and so now the recurrence (6.7.5) is used to evaluate f_{ν} at a value $\nu = \mu$ in this interval. Then one calculates J_{μ} from

$$J_{\mu} = \frac{W}{Y_{\mu}' - Y_{\mu} f_{\mu}} \tag{6.7.13}$$

and J'_{μ} from (6.7.8). The values at the original value of ν are determined by scaling as before, and the Y's are recurred up as before.

Temme's series are

$$Y_{\nu} = -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k g_k \qquad Y_{\nu+1} = -\frac{2}{x} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k h_k$$
 (6.7.14)

Here

$$c_k = \frac{(-x^2/4)^k}{k!} \tag{6.7.15}$$

while the coefficients g_k and h_k are defined in terms of quantities p_k , q_k , and f_k that can be found by recursion:

$$g_{k} = f_{k} + \frac{2}{\nu} \sin^{2}\left(\frac{\nu\pi}{2}\right) q_{k}$$

$$h_{k} = -kg_{k} + p_{k}$$

$$p_{k} = \frac{p_{k-1}}{k - \nu}$$

$$q_{k} = \frac{q_{k-1}}{k + \nu}$$

$$f_{k} = \frac{kf_{k-1} + p_{k-1} + q_{k-1}}{k^{2} - \nu^{2}}$$
(6.7.16)

The initial values for the recurrences are

SUBROUTINE bessjy(x,xnu,rj,ry,rjp,ryp)

REAL rj,rjp,ry,ryp,x,xnu,XMIN

INTEGER MAXIT

$$p_{0} = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{-\nu} \Gamma(1+\nu)$$

$$q_{0} = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{\nu} \Gamma(1-\nu)$$

$$f_{0} = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{\nu\pi}{\sin\nu\pi} \left[\cosh\sigma\Gamma_{1}(\nu) + \frac{\sinh\sigma}{\sigma}\ln\left(\frac{2}{x}\right)\Gamma_{2}(\nu)\right]$$
(6.7.17)

with

$$\sigma = \nu \ln \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)$$

$$\Gamma_1(\nu) = \frac{1}{2\nu} \left[\frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\nu)} - \frac{1}{\Gamma(1+\nu)} \right]$$

$$\Gamma_2(\nu) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\nu)} + \frac{1}{\Gamma(1+\nu)} \right]$$
(6.7.18)

The whole point of writing the formulas in this way is that the potential problems as $\nu \to 0$ can be controlled by evaluating $\nu \pi/\sin \nu \pi$, $\sinh \sigma/\sigma$, and Γ_1 carefully. In particular, Temme gives Chebyshev expansions for $\Gamma_1(\nu)$ and $\Gamma_2(\nu)$. We have rearranged his expansion for Γ_1 to be explicitly an even series in ν so that we can use our routine chebev as explained in §5.8.

The routine assumes $\nu \geq 0$. For negative ν you can use the reflection formulas

$$J_{-\nu} = \cos \nu \pi J_{\nu} - \sin \nu \pi Y_{\nu}$$

$$Y_{-\nu} = \sin \nu \pi J_{\nu} + \cos \nu \pi Y_{\nu}$$
(6.7.19)

The routine also assumes x>0. For x<0 the functions are in general complex, but expressible in terms of functions with x>0. For x=0, Y_{ν} is singular.

Internal arithmetic in the routine is carried out in double precision. To maintain portability, complex arithmetic has been recoded with real variables.

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DOUBLE PRECISION EPS, FPMIN, PI
PARAMETER (EPS=1.e-10,FPMIN=1.e-30,MAXIT=10000,XMIN=2.,
     PI=3.141592653589793d0)
USES beschb
   Returns the Bessel functions \mathtt{rj} = J_{\nu}, \mathtt{ry} = Y_{\nu} and their derivatives \mathtt{rjp} = J'_{\nu}, \mathtt{ryp} = Y'_{\nu},
   for positive x and for xnu = \nu \ge 0. The relative accuracy is within one or two significant
   digits of EPS, except near a zero of one of the functions, where EPS controls its absolute
   accuracy. FPMIN is a number close to the machine's smallest floating-point number. All
   internal arithmetic is in double precision. To convert the entire routine to double precision,
   change the REAL declaration above and decrease EPS to 10^{-16}. Also convert the subroutine
   beschb
INTEGER i, isign, 1, nl
DOUBLE PRECISION a,b,br,bi,c,cr,ci,d,del,del1,den,di,dlr,dli,
     dr,e,f,fact,fact2,fact3,ff,gam,gam1,gam2,gammi,gampl,h,
     p,pimu,pimu2,q,r,rjl,rjl1,rjmu,rjp1,rjpl,rjtemp,ry1,
     rymu,rymup,rytemp,sum,sum1,temp,w,x2,xi,xi2,xmu,xmu2
if(x.le.0..or.xnu.lt.0.) pause 'bad arguments in bessjy'
                                nl is the number of downward recurrences of the J's and
if(x.lt.XMIN)then
    nl=int(xnu+.5d0)
                                    upward recurrences of Y's. xmu lies between -1/2 and
                                    1/2 for x < XMIN, while it is chosen so that x is greater
else
    nl=max(0,int(xnu-x+1.5d0)) than the turning point for x \ge XMIN.
xmu=xnu-nl
xmu2=xmu*xmu
xi=1.d0/x
xi2=2.d0*xi
                                The Wronskian.
w=xi2/PI
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Evaluate CF1 by modified Lentz's method (§5.2). isign keeps
isign=1
                                  track of sign changes in the denominator.
h=xnu*xi
if(h.lt.FPMIN)h=FPMIN
b=xi2*xnu
d=0.d0
c=h
do 11 i=1,MAXIT
    b=b+xi2
    d=b-d
    if(abs(d).lt.FPMIN)d=FPMIN
    c=b-1.d0/c
    if(abs(c).lt.FPMIN)c=FPMIN
    d=1.d0/d
    del=c*d
    h=del*h
    if(d.lt.0.d0)isign=-isign
    if(abs(del-1.d0).lt.EPS)goto 1
enddo 11
pause 'x too large in bessjy; try asymptotic expansion'
continue
rjl=isign*FPMIN
                              Initialize J_{\nu} and J'_{\nu} for downward recurrence.
rjpl=h*rjl
rjl1=rjl
                              Store values for later rescaling.
rjp1=rjpl
fact=xnu*xi
do 12 l=n1,1,-1
   rjtemp=fact*rjl+rjpl
    fact=fact-xi
    rjpl=fact*rjtemp-rjl
    rjl=rjtemp
enddo 12
if(rjl.eq.0.d0)rjl=EPS
f=rjpl/rjl
                              Now have unnormalized J_{\mu} and J'_{\mu}.
if(x.lt.XMIN) then
                              Use series.
    x2=.5d0*x
    pimu=PI*xmu
    if(abs(pimu).lt.EPS)then
        fact=1.d0
    else
        fact=pimu/sin(pimu)
    endif
    d=-\log(x2)
    e=xmu*d
    if(abs(e).lt.EPS)then
        fact2=1.d0
    else
        fact2=sinh(e)/e
    endif
    call beschb(xmu,gam1,gam2,gamp1,gammi)
                                                     Chebyshev evaluation of \Gamma_1 and \Gamma_2.
    ff=2.d0/PI*fact*(gam1*cosh(e)+gam2*fact2*d)
                                                    f_0.
    e=exp(e)
    p=e/(gampl*PI)
                                                    p_0.
    q=1.d0/(e*PI*gammi)
                                                     q_0.
    pimu2=0.5d0*pimu
    if(abs(pimu2).lt.EPS)then
        fact3=1.d0
    else
        fact3=sin(pimu2)/pimu2
    endif
    r=PI*pimu2*fact3*fact3
    c=1.d0
    d=-x2*x2
    sum=ff+r*q
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sum1=p

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do 13 i=1,MAXIT
           ff=(i*ff+p+q)/(i*i-xmu2)
           c=c*d/i
           p=p/(i-xmu)
           q=q/(i+xmu)
           del=c*(ff+r*q)
           sum=sum+del
           del1=c*p-i*del
           sum1=sum1+del1
           if(abs(del).lt.(1.d0+abs(sum))*EPS)goto 2
        enddo 13
       pause 'bessy series failed to converge'
2
       continue
       rymu=-sum
       ry1=-sum1*xi2
       rymup=xmu*xi*rymu-ry1
                                                      Equation (6.7.13).
       rjmu=w/(rymup-f*rymu)
                                                      Evaluate CF2 by modified Lentz's method
    else
                                                          (§5.2).
       a=.25d0-xmu2
       p=-.5d0*xi
       q=1.d0
       br=2.d0*x
       bi=2.d0
       fact=a*xi/(p*p+q*q)
       cr=br+q*fact
       ci=bi+p*fact
       den=br*br+bi*bi
       dr=br/den
       di=-bi/den
       dlr=cr*dr-ci*di
       dli=cr*di+ci*dr
       temp=p*dlr-q*dli
       q=p*dli+q*dlr
       p=temp
       do 14 i=2,MAXIT
           a=a+2*(i-1)
           bi=bi+2.d0
           dr=a*dr+br
           di=a*di+bi
           if(abs(dr)+abs(di).lt.FPMIN)dr=FPMIN
           fact=a/(cr*cr+ci*ci)
           cr=br+cr*fact
           ci=bi-ci*fact
           if(abs(cr)+abs(ci).lt.FPMIN)cr=FPMIN
           den=dr*dr+di*di
           dr=dr/den
           di=-di/den
           dlr=cr*dr-ci*di
           dli=cr*di+ci*dr
           temp=p*dlr-q*dli
           q=p*dli+q*dlr
           p=temp
           if(abs(dlr-1.d0)+abs(dli).lt.EPS)goto 3
       pause 'cf2 failed in bessjy'
3
       continue
       gam=(p-f)/q
                                 Equations (6.7.6) - (6.7.10).
       rjmu=sqrt(w/((p-f)*gam+q))
       rjmu=sign(rjmu,rjl)
       rymu=rjmu*gam
       rymup=rymu*(p+q/gam)
       ry1=xmu*xi*rymu-rymup
    endif
    fact=rjmu/rjl
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rj=rjl1*fact
                               Scale original J_{\nu} and J'_{\nu}.
rjp=rjp1*fact
                               Upward recurrence of Y_{\nu}.
do 15 i=1,nl
    rytemp=(xmu+i)*xi2*ry1-rymu
    rymu=ry1
    ry1=rytemp
enddo 15
ry=rymu
ryp=xnu*xi*rymu-ry1
return
END
SUBROUTINE beschb(x,gam1,gam2,gamp1,gammi)
INTEGER NUSE1, NUSE2
DOUBLE PRECISION gam1,gam2,gammi,gamp1,x
PARAMETER (NUSE1=5, NUSE2=5)
USES chebev
   Evaluates \Gamma_1 and \Gamma_2 by Chebyshev expansion for |\mathbf{x}| \leq 1/2. Also returns 1/\Gamma(1+\mathbf{x}) and
   1/\Gamma(1-x). If converting to double precision, set NU\overline{SE1}=7, NUSE2=8.
REAL xx,c1(7),c2(8), chebev
DATA c1/-1.142022680371168d0,6.5165112670737d-3,
     3.087090173086d-4,-3.4706269649d-6,6.9437664d-9,
     3.67795d-11,-1.356d-13/
DATA c2/1.843740587300905d0,-7.68528408447867d-2,
     1.2719271366546d-3,-4.9717367042d-6,-3.31261198d-8,
     2.423096d-10,-1.702d-13,-1.49d-15/
                                       Multiply x by 2 to make range be -1 to 1, and then
xx=8.d0*x*x-1.d0
gam1=chebev(-1.,1.,c1,NUSE1,xx)
                                           apply transformation for evaluating even Cheby-
gam2=chebev(-1.,1.,c2,NUSE2,xx)
gampl=gam2-x*gam1
gammi=gam2+x*gam1
return
END
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Modified Bessel Functions

Steed's method does not work for modified Bessel functions because in this case CF2 is purely imaginary and we have only three relations among the four functions. Temme [3] has given a normalization condition that provides the fourth relation.

The Wronskian relation is

$$W \equiv I_{\nu}K'_{\nu} - K_{\nu}I'_{\nu} = -\frac{1}{x}$$
 (6.7.20)

The continued fraction CF1 becomes

$$f_{\nu} \equiv \frac{I_{\nu}'}{I_{\nu}} = \frac{\nu}{x} + \frac{1}{2(\nu+1)/x + 2(\nu+2)/x +$$

To get CF2 and the normalization condition in a convenient form, consider the sequence of confluent hypergeometric functions

$$z_n(x) = U(\nu + 1/2 + n, 2\nu + 1, 2x)$$
(6.7.22)

for fixed ν . Then

$$K_{\nu}(x) = \pi^{1/2} (2x)^{\nu} e^{-x} z_0(x) \tag{6.7.23}$$

$$\frac{K_{\nu+1}(x)}{K_{\nu}(x)} = \frac{1}{x} \left[\nu + \frac{1}{2} + x + \left(\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4} \right) \frac{z_1}{z_0} \right]$$
 (6.7.24)

Equation (6.7.23) is the standard expression for K_{ν} in terms of a confluent hypergeometric function, while equation (6.7.24) follows from relations between contiguous confluent hypergeometric functions (equations 13.4.16 and 13.4.18 in Abramowitz and Stegun). Now the functions z_n satisfy the three-term recurrence relation (equation 13.4.15 in Abramowitz and Stegun)

$$z_{n-1}(x) = b_n z_n(x) + a_{n+1} z_{n+1}$$
(6.7.25)

with

$$b_n = 2(n+x)$$

$$a_{n+1} = -[(n+1/2)^2 - \nu^2]$$
(6.7.26)

Following the steps leading to equation (5.5.18), we get the continued fraction CF2

$$\frac{z_1}{z_0} = \frac{1}{b_1 +} \frac{a_2}{b_2 +} \cdots agen{6.7.27}$$

from which (6.7.24) gives $K_{\nu+1}/K_{\nu}$ and thus K'_{ν}/K_{ν} .

Temme's normalization condition is that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n z_n = \left(\frac{1}{2x}\right)^{\nu+1/2} \tag{6.7.28}$$

where

$$C_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \frac{\Gamma(\nu + 1/2 + n)}{\Gamma(\nu + 1/2 - n)}$$
(6.7.29)

Note that the C_n 's can be determined by recursion:

$$C_0 = 1, C_{n+1} = -\frac{a_{n+1}}{n+1}C_n (6.7.30)$$

We use the condition (6.7.28) by finding

$$S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \frac{z_n}{z_0} \tag{6.7.31}$$

Then

$$z_0 = \left(\frac{1}{2x}\right)^{\nu + 1/2} \frac{1}{1+S} \tag{6.7.32}$$

and (6.7.23) gives K_{ν} .

Thompson and Barnett [4] have given a clever method of doing the sum (6.7.31) simultaneously with the forward evaluation of the continued fraction CF2. Suppose the continued fraction is being evaluated as

$$\frac{z_1}{z_0} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \Delta h_n \tag{6.7.33}$$

where the increments Δh_n are being found by, e.g., Steed's algorithm or the modified Lentz's algorithm of §5.2. Then the approximation to S keeping the first N terms can be found as

$$S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N Q_n \Delta h_n \tag{6.7.34}$$

Here

$$Q_n = \sum_{k=1}^{n} C_k q_k \tag{6.7.35}$$

and q_k is found by recursion from

$$q_{k+1} = (q_{k-1} - b_k q_k)/a_{k+1} (6.7.36)$$

starting with $q_0 = 0$, $q_1 = 1$. For the case at hand, approximately three times as many terms are needed to get S to converge as are needed simply for CF2 to converge.

To find K_{ν} and $K_{\nu+1}$ for small x we use series analogous to (6.7.14):

$$K_{\nu} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k f_k \qquad K_{\nu+1} = \frac{2}{x} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k h_k$$
 (6.7.37)

Here

$$c_{k} = \frac{(x^{2}/4)^{k}}{k!}$$

$$h_{k} = -kf_{k} + p_{k}$$

$$p_{k} = \frac{p_{k-1}}{k - \nu}$$

$$q_{k} = \frac{q_{k-1}}{k + \nu}$$

$$f_{k} = \frac{kf_{k-1} + p_{k-1} + q_{k-1}}{k^{2} - \nu^{2}}$$

$$(6.7.38)$$

The initial values for the recurrences are

SUBROUTINE bessik(x,xnu,ri,rk,rip,rkp)

REAL ri,rip,rk,rkp,x,xnu,XMIN DOUBLE PRECISION EPS,FPMIN,PI

INTEGER MAXIT

$$p_{0} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{-\nu} \Gamma(1+\nu)$$

$$q_{0} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{\nu} \Gamma(1-\nu)$$

$$f_{0} = \frac{\nu\pi}{\sin\nu\pi} \left[\cosh\sigma\Gamma_{1}(\nu) + \frac{\sinh\sigma}{\sigma}\ln\left(\frac{2}{x}\right)\Gamma_{2}(\nu)\right]$$
(6.7.39)

Both the series for small x, and CF2 and the normalization relation (6.7.28) require $|\nu| \leq 1/2$. In both cases, therefore, we recurse I_{ν} down to a value $\nu = \mu$ in this interval, find K_{μ} there, and recurse K_{ν} back up to the original value of ν .

The routine assumes $\nu \geq 0$. For negative ν use the reflection formulas

$$I_{-\nu} = I_{\nu} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sin(\nu \pi) K_{\nu}$$

$$K_{-\nu} = K_{\nu}$$
(6.7.40)

Note that for large x, $I_{\nu} \sim e^{x}$, $K_{\nu} \sim e^{-x}$, and so these functions will overflow or underflow. It is often desirable to be able to compute the scaled quantities $e^{-x}I_{\nu}$ and $e^{x}K_{\nu}$. Simply omitting the factor e^{-x} in equation (6.7.23) will ensure that all four quantities will have the appropriate scaling. If you also want to scale the four quantities for small x when the series in equation (6.7.37) are used, you must multiply each series by e^{x} .

INTEGER i,1,nl

DOUBLE PRECISION a,a1,b,c,d,del,del1,delh,dels,e,f,fact,

fact2,ff,gam1,gam2,gammi,gamp1,h,p,pimu,q,q1,q2,
qnew,ril,ril1,rimu,rip1,ritemp,rk1,rkmu,rkmup,
rktemp,s,sum,sum1,x2,xi,xi2,xmu,xmu2
if(x.le.0..or.xnu.lt.0.) pause 'bad arguments in bessik'

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nl=int(xnu+.5d0)
                                                  nl is the number of downward recurrences
                                                     of the I's and upward recurrences
xmu=xnu-nl
xm112=xm11*xm11
                                                     of K's. xmu lies between -1/2 and
xi=1.d0/x
xi2=2.d0*xi
h=xnu*xi
                                                  Evaluate CF1 by modified Lentz's method
if(h.lt.FPMIN)h=FPMIN
                                                     (§5.2).
b=xi2*xnu
d=0.d0
c=h
do 11 i=1,MAXIT
    b=b+xi2
    d=1.d0/(b+d)
                                                  Denominators cannot be zero here, so no
    c=b+1.d0/c
                                                     need for special precautions.
    del=c*d
    h=del*h
    if(abs(del-1.d0).lt.EPS)goto 1
enddo 11
pause 'x too large in bessik; try asymptotic expansion'
continue
                                                  Initialize I_{
u} and I_{
u}' for downward recur-
ril=FPMIN
ripl=h*ril
ril1=ril
                                                  Store values for later rescaling.
rip1=ripl
fact=xnu*xi
do 12 l=n1,1,-1
   ritemp=fact*ril+ripl
    fact=fact-xi
    ripl=fact*ritemp+ril
    ril=ritemp
enddo 12
f=ripl/ril
                                                  Now have unnormalized I_{\mu} and I'_{\mu}.
if(x.lt.XMIN) then
                                                  Use series.
    x2=.5d0*x
    pimu=PI*xmu
    if(abs(pimu).lt.EPS)then
        fact=1.d0
    else
        fact=pimu/sin(pimu)
    endif
    d=-log(x2)
    e=xmu*d
    if(abs(e).lt.EPS)then
        fact2=1.d0
    else
        fact2=sinh(e)/e
    call beschb(xmu,gam1,gam2,gamp1,gammi)
                                                  Chebyshev evaluation of \Gamma_1 and \Gamma_2.
    ff=fact*(gam1*cosh(e)+gam2*fact2*d)
                                                  f_0.
    sum=ff
    e=exp(e)
    p=0.5d0*e/gampl
                                                  p_0.
    q=0.5d0/(e*gammi)
                                                  q_0.
    c=1.d0
    d=x2*x2
    sum1=p
    do 13 i=1,MAXIT
        ff=(i*ff+p+q)/(i*i-xmu2)
        c=c*d/i
        p=p/(i-xmu)
        q=q/(i+xmu)
        del=c*ff
```

sum=sum+del
del1=c*(p-i*ff)

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sum1=sum1+del1
            if(abs(del).lt.abs(sum)*EPS)goto 2
        enddo 13
        pause 'bessk series failed to converge'
        continue
2
        rkmu=sum
        rk1=sum1*xi2
                                                      Evaluate CF2 by Steed's algorithm (§5.2),
    else
        b=2.d0*(1.d0+x)
                                                          which is OK because there can be no
        d=1.d0/b
                                                          zero denominators
        delh=d
        h=delh
        q1=0.d0
                                                      Initializations for recurrence (6.7.35).
        q2=1.d0
        a1=.25d0-xmu2
                                                      First term in equation (6.7.34).
        q=c
        a=-a1
        s=1.d0+q*delh
        do 14 i=2, MAXIT
            a=a-2*(i-1)
            c=-a*c/i
            qnew=(q1-b*q2)/a
            q1=q2
            q2=qnew
            q=q+c*qnew
            b=b+2.d0
            d=1.d0/(b+a*d)
            delh=(b*d-1.d0)*delh
            h=h+delh
            dels=q*delh
            s=s+dels
            if(abs(dels/s).lt.EPS)goto 3
                                                      Need only test convergence of sum since
                                                          CF2 itself converges more quickly.
        pause 'bessik: failure to converge in cf2'
3
        rkmu=sqrt(PI/(2.d0*x))*exp(-x)/s
                                                      Omit the factor \exp(-x) to scale all the
        rk1=rkmu*(xmu+x+.5d0-h)*xi
                                                          returned functions by \exp(x) for x \ge
    endif
    rkmup=xmu*xi*rkmu-rk1
    rimu=xi/(f*rkmu-rkmup)
                                                      Get I_{\mu} from Wronskian.
                                                      Scale original I_{\nu} and I'_{\nu}.
    ri=(rimu*ril1)/ril
    rip=(rimu*rip1)/ril
    do 15 i=1,nl
                                                      Upward recurrence of K_{\nu}.
        rktemp=(xmu+i)*xi2*rk1+rkmu
        rkmu=rk1
        rk1=rktemp
    enddo 15
    rk=rkmu
    rkp=xnu*xi*rkmu-rk1
    return
    END
```

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Airy Functions

For positive x, the Airy functions are defined by

$$Ai(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{\frac{x}{3}} K_{1/3}(z)$$
 (6.7.41)

$$Bi(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x}{3}} [I_{1/3}(z) + I_{-1/3}(z)]$$
 (6.7.42)

where

$$z = \frac{2}{3}x^{3/2} \tag{6.7.43}$$

By using the reflection formula (6.7.40), we can convert (6.7.42) into the computationally more useful form

$$Bi(x) = \sqrt{x} \left[\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} I_{1/3}(z) + \frac{1}{\pi} K_{1/3}(z) \right]$$
 (6.7.44)

so that Ai and Bi can be evaluated with a single call to bessik.

The derivatives should not be evaluated by simply differentiating the above expressions because of possible subtraction errors near x=0. Instead, use the equivalent expressions

$$Ai'(x) = -\frac{x}{\pi\sqrt{3}}K_{2/3}(z)$$

$$Bi'(x) = x\left[\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}I_{2/3}(z) + \frac{1}{\pi}K_{2/3}(z)\right]$$
(6.7.45)

The corresponding formulas for negative arguments are

$$\operatorname{Ai}(-x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{2} \left[J_{1/3}(z) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} Y_{1/3}(z) \right]$$

$$\operatorname{Bi}(-x) = -\frac{\sqrt{x}}{2} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} J_{1/3}(z) + Y_{1/3}(z) \right]$$

$$\operatorname{Ai}'(-x) = \frac{x}{2} \left[J_{2/3}(z) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} Y_{2/3}(z) \right]$$

$$\operatorname{Bi}'(-x) = \frac{x}{2} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} J_{2/3}(z) - Y_{2/3}(z) \right]$$
(6.7.46)

```
SUBROUTINE airy(x,ai,bi,aip,bip)
REAL ai, aip, bi, bip, x
USES bessik, bessjy
   Returns Airy functions Ai(x), Bi(x), and their derivatives Ai'(x), Bi'(x).
REAL absx,ri,rip,rj,rjp,rk,rkp,rootx,ry,ryp,z,
    PI, THIRD, TWOTHR, ONOVRT
PARAMETER (PI=3.1415927, THIRD=1./3., TWOTHR=2.*THIRD,
     ONOVRT=.57735027)
absx=abs(x)
rootx=sqrt(absx)
z=TWOTHR*absx*rootx
if(x.gt.0.)then
    call bessik(z,THIRD,ri,rk,rip,rkp)
    ai=rootx*ONOVRT*rk/PI
   bi=rootx*(rk/PI+2.*ONOVRT*ri)
   call bessik(z,TWOTHR,ri,rk,rip,rkp)
    aip=-x*0NOVRT*rk/PI
   bip=x*(rk/PI+2.*ONOVRT*ri)
else if(x.lt.0.)then
   call bessjy(z,THIRD,rj,ry,rjp,ryp)
    ai=.5*rootx*(rj-ONOVRT*ry)
   bi=-.5*rootx*(ry+ONOVRT*rj)
    call bessjy(z,TWOTHR,rj,ry,rjp,ryp)
    aip=.5*absx*(ONOVRT*ry+rj)
   bip=.5*absx*(ONOVRT*rj-ry)
                                               Case x = 0.
else
    ai=.35502805
    bi=ai/ONOVRT
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aip=-.25881940
    bip=-aip/ONOVRT
endif
return
F.ND
```

Spherical Bessel Functions

For integer n, spherical Bessel functions are defined by

$$j_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2x}} J_{n+(1/2)}(x)$$

$$y_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2x}} Y_{n+(1/2)}(x)$$
(6.7.47)

They can be evaluated by a call to bessjy, and the derivatives can safely be found from the derivatives of equation (6.7.47).

Note that in the continued fraction CF2 in (6.7.3) just the first term survives for $\nu = 1/2$. Thus one can make a very simple algorithm for spherical Bessel functions along the lines of bess jy by always recursing j_n down to n=0, setting p and q from the first term in CF2, and then recursing y_n up. No special series is required near x=0. However, bessjy is already so efficient that we have not bothered to provide an independent routine for spherical Bessels.

```
SUBROUTINE sphbes(n,x,sj,sy,sjp,syp)
INTEGER n
REAL sj,sjp,sy,syp,x
USES bessjy
   Returns spherical Bessel functions j_n(x), y_n(x), and their derivatives j'_n(x), y'_n(x) for
REAL factor, order, rj, rjp, ry, ryp, RTPI02
PARAMETER (RTPI02=1.2533141)
if(n.lt.0.or.x.le.0.)pause 'bad arguments in sphbes'
order=n+0.5
call bessjy(x,order,rj,ry,rjp,ryp)
factor=RTPIO2/sqrt(x)
sj=factor*rj
sy=factor*ry
sjp=factor*rjp-sj/(2.*x)
syp=factor*ryp-sy/(2.*x)
return
END
```

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