



integrals in which each integrand is the product of three Bessel functions. Two general identities are derived here, from which the special cases needed through the third-order gravity-wave theory are obtained. The first general identity should also yield all identities of the first type which will be needed for higher-order wave solutions. Both the general identities and the special cases may also be applicable to other problems in which expansions in the Dini type of Fourier-Bessel series are used.

**2. First General Identity.** Let  $y(r)$  be the nonsingular solution  $J_0(Kr)$  of the Bessel equation of order zero

$$(1) \quad y'' + \frac{1}{r}y' + K^2y = 0, \quad r \geq 0,$$

where primes denote differentiation with respect to  $r$ . Let  $u(r)$  be any function with continuous derivative in the range  $0 \leq r \leq 1$ . Multiplication of (1) by  $ru$  and integration by parts from 0 to 1 yields the general identity of the first type

$$(2) \quad \int_0^1 r[u'y' - K^2uy] dr = u(1)y'(1).$$

The  $K$  in equation (2) need not be an eigenvalue.

**3. Dini Series.** Let  $K_n, n \geq 0$ , be the eigenvalues for which

$$(3) \quad J_1(K_n) = 0, \quad K_n \geq 0,$$

arranged in ascending order of magnitude beginning with  $K_0 = 0$ . Let us introduce the shortened notation

$$J_{mn} \equiv J_m(K_nr).$$

In terms of the eigenvalues given by (3), the Dini expansion of an arbitrary function  $F(r)$  [5, Chapter 18] is

$$(4) \quad F(r) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n(F) J_{0n}$$

with the coefficients  $\alpha_n(F)$  given by

$$(5) \quad \alpha_n(F) = \frac{\int_0^1 rF(r)J_{0n} dr}{\frac{1}{2}J_0^2(K_n)}, \quad n \geq 0$$

where use has been made of the well-known orthogonality relation

$$(6) \quad \int_0^1 rJ_{0n}J_{0s} dr = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}J_0^2(K_s) > 0, & n = s, \\ 0, & n \neq s. \end{cases}$$

It has been shown by Watson [5, Arts. 18.33, 18.35, and 18.55] that, if  $F(r)$  is continuous and has limited total fluctuation in the interval  $0 \leq r \leq 1$ , the Dini expansion of  $F(r)$ , equations (4) and (5), will converge uniformly to  $F(r)$  in that interval.



