

The above expansion is not limited to integral values of r , and it is a very good approximation for r of the form $n + \frac{1}{2}$ where n is an integer. In case of integral values of $r = n$, the series holds only up to terms not involving $r^2 - n^2$ in the denominator. Subsequent terms must be derived specially (as shown by Mathieu). Mulholland and Goldstein [20.38] have computed characteristic values for purely imaginary q and found that a_0 and a_2 have a common real value for $|q|$ in the neighborhood of 1.468; Bouwkamp [20.5] has computed this number as $q_0 = \pm i 1.46876852$ to 8 decimals. For values of $-iq > -iq_0$, a_0 and a_2 are conjugate complex numbers. From equation 20.2.25 it follows that the radius of convergence for the series defining a_0 is no greater than $|q_0|$. It is shown in [20.36], section 2.25 that the radius of convergence for $a_{2n}(q)$, $n \geq 2$ is greater than 3. Furthermore

$$a_r - b_r = O(q^r / r^{r-1}), \quad r \rightarrow \infty.$$

Power Series in q for the Periodic Functions (for sufficiently small $|q|$)

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$$ce_0(z, q) = 2^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left[1 - \frac{q}{2} \cos 2z + q^2 \left(\frac{\cos 4z}{32} - \frac{1}{16} \right) - q^3 \left(\frac{\cos 6z}{1152} - \frac{11 \cos 2z}{128} \right) + \dots \right]$$

$$ce_1(z, q) = \cos z - \frac{q}{8} \cos 3z + q^2 \left[\frac{\cos 5z}{192} - \frac{\cos 3z}{64} - \frac{\cos z}{128} \right] - q^3 \left[\frac{\cos 7z}{9216} - \frac{\cos 5z}{1152} - \frac{\cos 3z}{3072} + \frac{\cos z}{512} \right] + \dots$$

$$se_1(z, q) = \sin z - \frac{q}{8} \sin 3z + q^2 \left[\frac{\sin 5z}{192} + \frac{\sin 3z}{64} - \frac{\sin z}{128} \right] - q^3 \left[\frac{\sin 7z}{9216} + \frac{\sin 5z}{1152} - \frac{\sin 3z}{3072} - \frac{\sin z}{512} \right] + \dots$$

$$ce_2(z, q) = \cos 2z - q \left(\frac{\cos 4z}{12} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + q^2 \left(\frac{\cos 6z}{384} - \frac{19 \cos 2z}{288} \right) + \dots$$

$$se_2(z, q) = \sin 2z - q \frac{\sin 4z}{12} + q^2 \left(\frac{\sin 6z}{384} - \frac{\sin 2z}{288} \right) + \dots$$

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$$ce_r(z, q) = \cos(rz - p(\pi/2)) - q \left\{ \frac{\cos \left[(r+2)z - p \frac{\pi}{2} \right]}{4(r+1)} - \frac{\cos \left[(r-2)z - p(\pi/2) \right]}{4(r-1)} \right\} + q^2 \left\{ \frac{\cos \left[(r+4)z - p(\pi/2) \right]}{32(r+1)(r+2)} + \frac{\cos \left[(r-4)z - p(\pi/2) \right]}{32(r-1)(r-2)} - \frac{\cos[rz - p(\pi/2)]}{32} \left[\frac{2(r^2+1)}{(r^2-1)^2} \right] \right\} + \dots$$

with $p=0$ for $ce_r(z, q)$, $p=1$ for $se_r(z, q)$, $r \geq 3$.

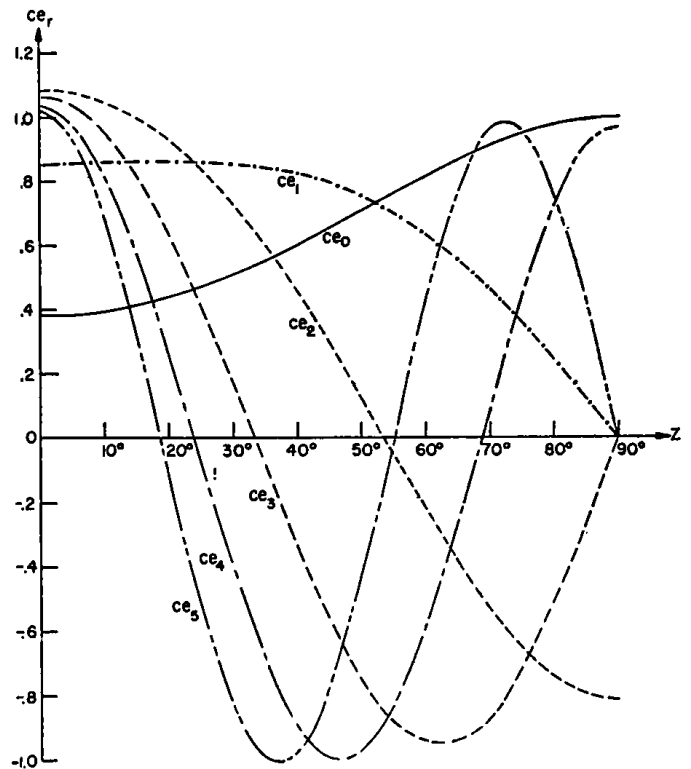


FIGURE 20.2. Even Periodic Mathieu Functions, Orders 0-5, $q=1$.