The Hankel Transform

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Hankel Transform Pair

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A Jinc function. The 2-d polar coordinate analog of the sinc function.



x=2*pi*(0.01:0.01:10); y=besselj(1,x)./x; plot(x,y)



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