

Series Solution

Homogeneous second order linear diff. Eqⁿ with variable coefficient -

$$P_0(x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + P_1(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + P_2(x) y = 0 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

here $P_0(x)$, $P_1(x)$, $P_2(x)$ are polynomials in power of x .

or we can write

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{P_1(x)}{P_0(x)} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{P_2(x)}{P_0(x)} y = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + P(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + Q(x) y = 0$$

this eqⁿ is called Normal form / canonical form / standard form of M.L.D.E. ~~with~~

Eg: $(1+x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + y = 0$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{x}{1+x^2} \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{1}{1+x^2} y = 0$$

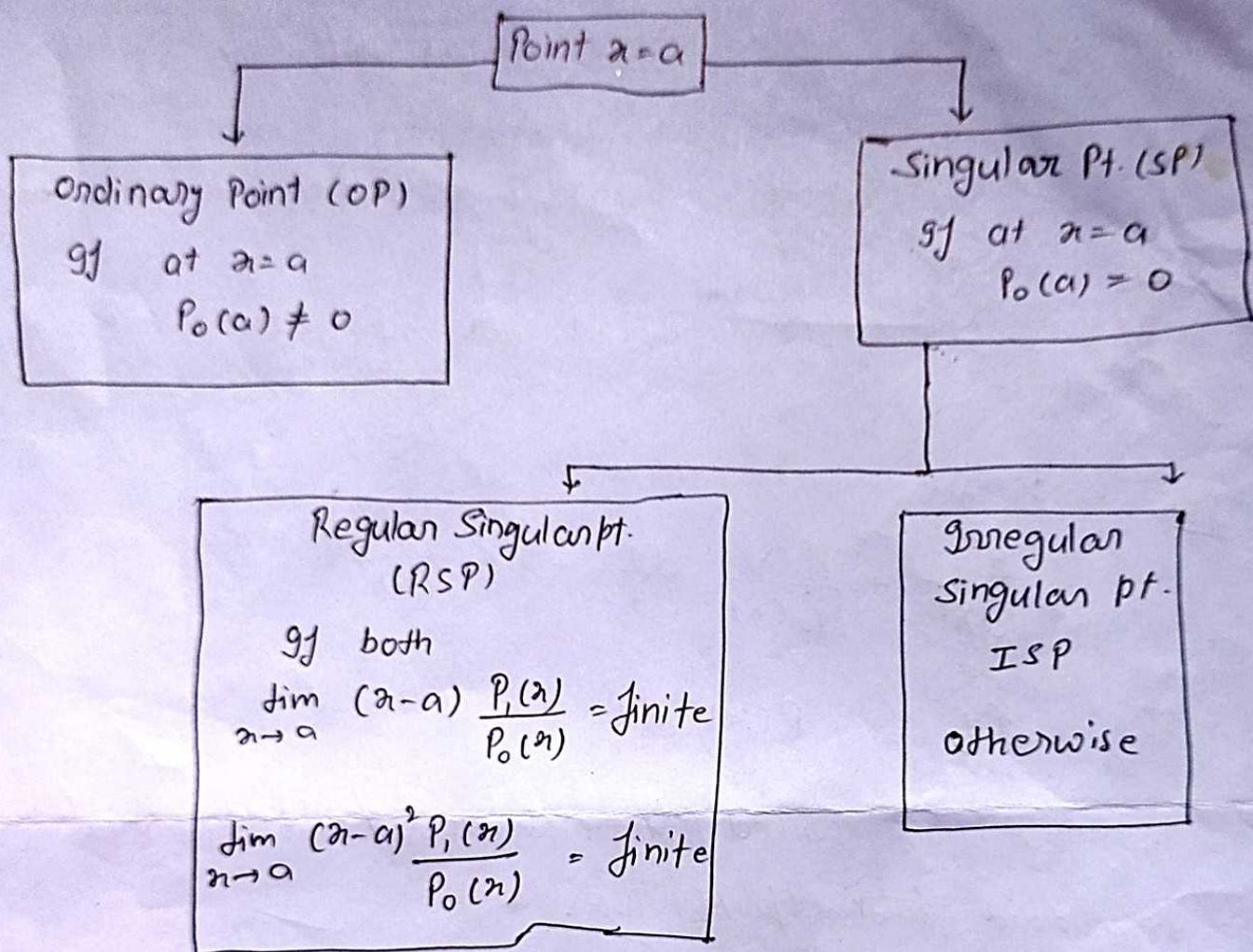
Here $P(x) = \frac{x}{1+x^2}$

$$Q(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$



Linear Partial Differential Equations with

classification of point $x=a$:



Eg. Find the ordinary pt., Singular pt., Regular & irregular singular pt. of the diff. Eqⁿ.

$$x^3(x-1) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + (x-1) \frac{dy}{dx} + 4xy = 0$$

(i) for ordinary pt. $\rightarrow P_0(a) \neq 0$
 $a^3(a-1) \neq 0$ i.e. $a \neq 0, a \neq 1$

so every value of x is an ordinary pt. except
 $x=0, x=1$

(ii) for singular pt. - $P_0(a) = 0, a^3(a-1) = 0$
 singular pts $x=0, x=1$

(iii) at $x=0$ point $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x-a) \frac{P_1(x)}{P_0(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x-0) \frac{(x-1)}{x^3(x-1)} = \frac{1}{x^2} = \infty$
 at $x=0$ irregular S.P.
 at $x=1$ pt. R.S.P.