

## Series Solution

Homogeneous Second Order Linear Differential Equation with variable coefficients

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

$P_0, P_1, P_2$   $P_0(x), P_1(x)$  &  $P_2(x) \rightarrow$  Polynomials in powers of  $x$

Homogeneous D.E  $\rightarrow$  R.H.S zero

Second Order  $\rightarrow$  Second derivative

Linear D.E  $\rightarrow$  Max Power of  $y, \frac{dy}{dx}, \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \rightarrow 1$

variable Coefficients  $\rightarrow \therefore P_0, P_1, \& P_2$  are polynomials in  $x$

As  $P_0(x) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + P_1(x) \frac{dy}{dx} + P_2(x)y = 0 \rightarrow ①$

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

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

Equation ② is called normal form / canonical form or standard form of Homogeneous second order Linear Differential Equation with constant coefficients.

Here  $P(x) = \frac{P_1(x)}{P_0(x)}$  &  $Q(x) = \frac{P_2(x)}{P_0(x)}$

A series solution is a method used to solve differential equations by representing the solution as an infinite series of terms.

**Example:**

Solve the D.E by using Series Solution

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2}y + xy = 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{A}$$

OR

$$y'' + xy = 0$$

The given D.E  $\textcircled{A}$  is Homogeneous Second order Linear Differential Equation with variable coefficients.

Now by comparing given differential equation  $\textcircled{A}$  with its canonical form of Homogeneous second order linear D.E with constant coefficients.

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

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 0 + xy = 0$$

$$\text{Here } P_0(x) = 1, P_1(x) = 0, P_2(x) = x$$

Now at point  $x=0$

$$P_0(0) = 1, \text{ so } P_0(0) \neq 0$$

$\therefore x=0$  is an ordinary point / mint

$\downarrow$   
(power series methods)

## Differential Equations

### Series Solution of D.E

Series solution of D.E near ordinary point

Series solution of D.E near regular singular point

#### ① Legendre's Equation:

$$(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + \underbrace{n(n+1)}_{\text{consecutive numbers}}y = 0$$

Points

**Singular** • Singular points of Legendre's Equation occur at  $x = \pm 1$

**Ordinary** • The points where Legendre's Equation is regular (not singular) are all points except  $x = \pm 1$ , these points are called ordinary points.

**Method** • Power series method  $[P_0(x) \neq 0]$

#### ② Bessel's Equation:

$$x^2y'' + xy' + (x^2 - n^2)y = 0$$

**Singular** • Singular Point of Bessel's Equation occurs at  $x = 0$ .

**Ordinary** • The points where Bessel's equation is regular (not singular) are all points except  $x = 0$

**Method** • Frobenius Series Method  $[P_0(x) = 0]$

#### ③ Chebyshew's Equation:

$$(1-x^2)y'' - xy' + \underbrace{n^2y}_{\text{square value of number}} = 0$$

Points

**Singular** • Singular Points of Chebyshew's equation occur at  $x = \pm 1$

**Ordinary** • The points where Chebyshew's equation is regular (not singular) are all points except  $x = \pm 1$

**Method** • Power Series Method  $[P_0(x) \neq 0]$

## Solve by power Series

$$y'' + xy = 0$$

$$P_0(x) = 1$$

$$P_1(x) = 0$$

$$P_2(x) = x$$

standard form

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

we get at point  $x=0$

$$P_0(x) = 1$$

$$P_0(0) = 1 \neq 0$$

we will use Power Series so solution will be

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n x^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^{n-2}$$

Put the values

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^{n-2} + x \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \right) = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^{n-2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+1} = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1} x^n = 0$$

$$2a_2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1} x^n = 0$$

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$$2a_2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2}x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1}x^n = 0$$

$$2a_2 = 0$$

$$a_2 = 0$$

$$(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} + a_{n-1} = 0$$

$$(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} = -a_{n-1}$$

$$a_{n+2} = -\frac{1}{(n+2)(n+1)}a_{n-1}$$

### Legendre's Equation

$$(1-x^2) \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 2x \frac{dy}{dx} + 12y = 0$$

(3x4) → multiplication of consecutive numbers

$$P_0(x) = 1 - x^2, P_1(x) = -2, P_2(x) = 12$$

$$1 - x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

singular points =  $\pm 1$

..... -3, -2, 0, 2, 3, ..... ordinary points

Let [Power Series]

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = a_0 x^0 + a_1 x^1 + a_2 x^2 + \dots$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(n) x^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = y'' = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n(n)(n-1) x^{n-2}$$

As Equation is

$$(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + 12y = 0$$

Put the values

$$(1-x^2)\left(\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^{n-2}\right) - 2x\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}\right) + 12\left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n\right) = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^{n-2} - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^n - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + 12 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

only [Put  $n=n+2$ ] [Power " $x^n$ " is same]

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} x^n - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^n - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + 12 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$2a_2 + 6a_3 x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} x^n - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)a_n x^n - 2a_1 x - 2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + 12a_0 + 12a_1 x + 12 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

Comparing Coefficients

$$(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} - n(n-1)a_n - 2na_n + 12a_n = 0$$

$$(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} = n(n-1)a_n + 2na_n - 12a_n$$

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{(n(n-1) + 2n - 12)}{(n+2)(n+1)} a_n$$

$$2a_2 + 12a_0 = 0$$

$$a_2 = -6a_0 \quad 6a_3 + 12a_1 - 2a_1 = 0$$

$$a_3 = -\frac{5}{3}a_1$$

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## Bessel Equation

$$2x(1-x)y'' + (1-x)y' + 3y = 0$$

$$P_0(x) = 2x(1-x) \quad , \quad P_1(x) = (1-x) \quad , \quad P_2(x) = 3$$

$$P_0(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 2x(1-x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0, 1 \quad [\text{singular points}]$$

$$P_0(x) = 2x(1-x) \Rightarrow P_0(0) = 2(0)(1-0) \Rightarrow P_0(0) = 0 \quad \text{Finite/Analytic}$$

Let [Frobenius Series Method]

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{m+n}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)a_n x^{m+n-1}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = y'' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)(m+n-1)a_n x^{m+n-2}$$

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$   
 $a_n$  will not be affected b/c of "m"

Put values in Equation

$$2x(1-x)y'' + (1-x)y' + 3y = 0$$

$$(2x - 2x^2)y'' + (1-x)y' + 3y = 0$$

$$(2x - 2x^2) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)(m+n-1)a_n x^{m+n-2} + (1-x) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)a_n x^{m+n-1} + 3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{m+n} = 0$$

$$2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)(m+n-1)a_n x^{m+n-1} - 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)(m+n-1)a_n x^{m+n} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)a_n x^{m+n-1} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)a_n x^{m+n} + 3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{m+n} = 0$$

$$2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n+1)(m+n)a_{n+1} x^{m+n} - 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)(m+n-1)a_n x^{m+n} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n+1)a_{n+1} x^{m+n} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (m+n)a_n x^{m+n} + 3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{m+n} = 0$$

Comparing Coefficients

$$2(m+n+1)(m+n)a_{n+1} - 2(m+n)(m+n-1)a_n + (m+n+1)a_{n+1} - (m+n)a_n + 3a_n = 0$$

$$[2(m+n+1)(m+n) + (m+n+1)]a_{n+1} = 2(m+n)(m+n-1)a_n + (m+n)a_n - 3a_n$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{[2(m+n)(m+n-1) + (m+n) - 3]a_n}{[2(m+n+1)(m+n) + (m+n+1)]}$$

Chebyshev's Equation

$$(1-x^2)y'' - xy' + 4y = 0$$

$\stackrel{\wedge}{n^2} = (2)^2 \rightarrow$  Chebyshev's D.E

$$P_0(x) = (1-x^2), P_1(x) = -x, P_2(x) = 4$$

$$P_0(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 1-x^2=0 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1 \quad [\text{singular points}]$$

....., -3, -2, 0, 2, 3, ..... [ordinary points]

Let [Power Series Method]

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \Rightarrow a_0 x^0 + a_1 x^1 + a_2 x^2. \dots$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = y'' = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2}$$

Put values in equation

$$(1-x^2)y'' - xy' + 4y = 0$$

$$(1-x^2) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} - x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} + 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} x^n - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0 \quad [x^n \rightarrow \text{same}]$$

$$2a_2 + 6a_3 x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} x^n - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^n - a_1 x - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + 4a_0 + 4a_1 x + 4 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0 \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{same} \end{array} \right]$$

Comparing Coefficients

$$(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} - n(n-1)a_n - na_n + 4a_n = 0$$

$$6a_3 - a_1 + 4a_1 = 0$$

$$2a_2 + 4a_0 = 0$$

$$(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} = n(n-1)a_n + na_n - 4a_n$$

$$6a_3 - 3a_1 = 0$$

$$2a_2 = -4a_0$$

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{(n(n-1) + n - 4)}{(n+2)(n+1)} a_n$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{2} a_1$$

$$a_2 = -2a_0$$