

- 12. $y_x^{(n)} = ax^{\beta}y$.
- 1°. The transformation $x = t^{-1}$, $y = wt^{1-n}$ leads to an equation of similar form:

$$w_t^{(n)} = a(-1)^{n+1} t^{-2n-\beta} w.$$

2°. Let $n \ge 2$, $\beta > -n$, and $(n + \beta)(s + 1) \ne 1, 2, \ldots, n - 1$, where $s = 0, 1, \ldots$ Then the equation has n solutions that can be represented as:

$$y_j(x) = x^{j-1} E_{n,1+\beta/n,(\beta+j-1)/n} (ax^{\beta+n}), \qquad j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$
 (1)

Here, $E_{n,m,l}(z)$ is a Mittag-Leffler type special function defined by:

$$E_{n,m,l}(z) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k,$$

$$b_k = \prod_{s=0}^{k-1} \frac{\Gamma(n(ms+l)+1)}{\Gamma(n(ms+l+1)+1)} = \prod_{s=0}^{k-1} \frac{1}{[n(ms+l)+1] \dots [n(ms+l)+n]},$$
(2)

where $\Gamma(\xi)$ is the gamma function, l is an arbitrary number, and m > 0.

If $\beta \ge 0$, solutions (1) are linearly independent. Series expansions of (1) are convenient for small x.

3°. Let $n \ge 2$, $\beta < -n$, and $(n + \beta)(s + 1) \ne -1, -2, \dots, -(n - 1)$, where $s = 0, 1, \dots$ Then the equation in question has n solutions that can be represented as:

$$y_j(x) = x^{j-1} E_{n,-1-\beta/n,-1-(\beta+j)/n} (a(-1)^n x^{\beta+n}), \qquad j = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$
 (3)

where $E_{n,m,l}(z)$ is the Mittag-Leffler type special function defined by (2). If $\beta \le -2n$, solutions (3) are linearly independent. Series expansions of (3) are convenient for large x.

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