

## Exercise 1

$$x^2 + \varepsilon x - 1 = 0$$

two first non zero terms of an asymptotic expansion of the roots.

This problem is regular when  $\varepsilon = 0$  we get

$$x^2 - 1 = 0 \text{ which gives two roots } 1 \text{ and } -1$$

So we can let  $x \sim x_0 + x_1 \varepsilon + x_2 \varepsilon^2 + \dots$

$$\text{then } x^2 \sim x_0^2 + \varepsilon(2x_0 x_1) + \varepsilon^2(x_1^2 + 2x_0 x_2) + \dots$$

$$\text{then } x_0^2 + \varepsilon(2x_0 x_1) + \varepsilon^2(x_1^2 + 2x_0 x_2)$$

$$+ \varepsilon x_0 + \varepsilon^2 x_1 - 1 + O(\varepsilon^3) = 0$$

thus  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_0^2 - 1 = 0 \quad (\text{equation for } \varepsilon = 0) \\ 2x_0 x_1 + x_0 = 0 \\ x_1^2 + 2x_0 x_2 + x_1 = 0 \end{array} \right.$

thus  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_0 = +1 \quad \text{or} \quad -1 \end{array} \right.$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \\ x_2 = -\frac{x_1 - x_0^2}{2x_0} \end{array} \right.$$

thus  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x \sim 1 - \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^2) \\ x \sim -1 - \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^2) \end{array} \right.$

Remark: with our calculus we can also give  $x_2$  values

$$\text{if } x_0 = 1 \text{ and } x_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ then } x_2 = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\text{if } x_0 = -1 \text{ and } x_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ then } x_2 = -\frac{1}{8}$$

and thus

$$\begin{cases} x \sim 1 - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon + \frac{1}{8}\varepsilon^2 + O(\varepsilon^3) \\ x \sim -1 - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon - \frac{1}{8}\varepsilon^2 + O(\varepsilon^3) \end{cases}$$

## Exercise 2

$$y^5 + y^3 + y^2 - y = \varepsilon$$

expansion of the smallest root (in absolute value)

if  $\varepsilon = 0$  then  $y^5 + y^3 + y^2 - y = 0$

thus  $y = 0$  is the smallest root in absolute value.

Thus we are searching for

$$y \sim y_1 \varepsilon + y_2 \varepsilon^2 + y_3 \varepsilon^3 + O(\varepsilon^4)$$

$$y^5 \sim O(\varepsilon^5)$$

$$y^3 \sim y_1^3 \varepsilon^3 + O(\varepsilon^4)$$

$$y^2 \sim y_1^2 \varepsilon^2 + 2y_1 y_2 \varepsilon^3 + O(\varepsilon^4)$$

Inserting into the equation gives:

$$y_1^3 \varepsilon^3 + y_1^2 \varepsilon^2 + 2y_1 y_2 \varepsilon^3 - y_1 \varepsilon - y_2 \varepsilon^2 - y_3 \varepsilon^3 + O(\varepsilon^4) \sim \varepsilon$$

$$\begin{cases} -y_1 = 1 \\ y_1^2 - y_2 = 0 \\ y_1 + 2y_1 y_2 - y_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{thus } \begin{cases} y_1 = -1 \\ y_2 = y_1^2 = 1 \\ y_3 = y_1 + 2y_1 y_2 = -3 \end{cases}$$

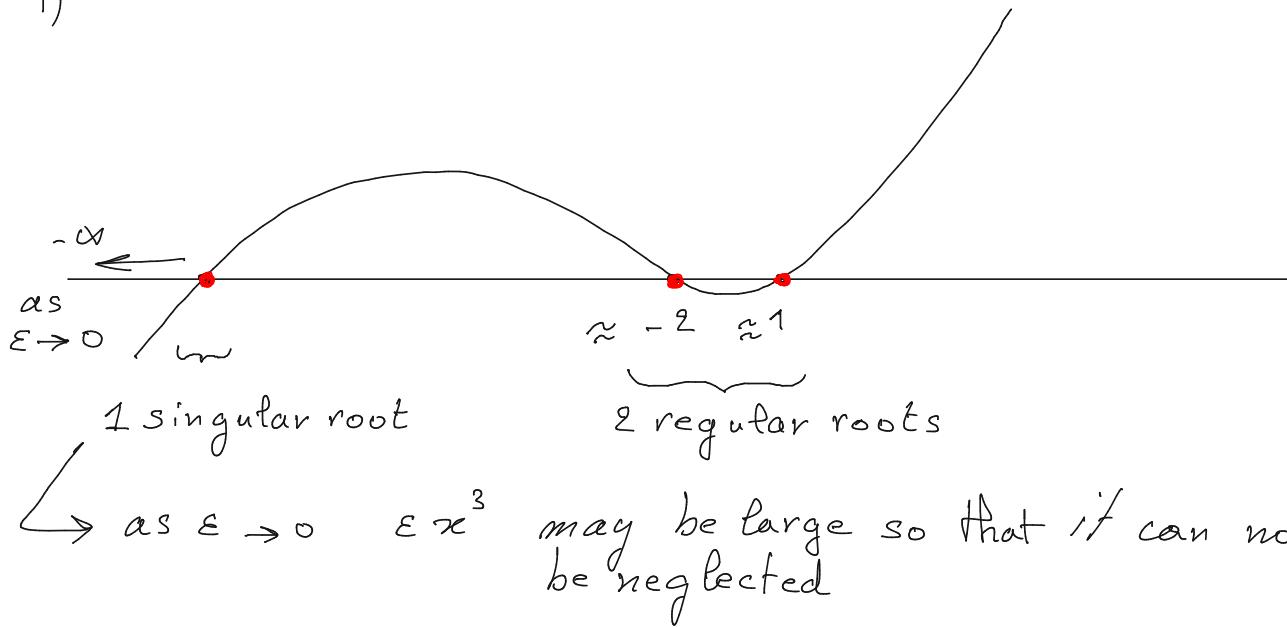
thus 
$$y \sim -\varepsilon + \varepsilon^2 - 3\varepsilon^3 + O(\varepsilon^4)$$

### Exercise 3

$$\varepsilon x^3 + x^2 + x - 2 = 0$$

first two terms (non null) of an asymptotic expansion  
of all roots

1)



2) Regular roots :

$$\text{if } x = x_0 + \varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + \dots$$

$$\text{then } x^2 = x_0^2 + \varepsilon(2x_0 x_1) + \varepsilon^2(x_1^2 + 2x_0 x_2) + \dots$$

$$\text{and } x^3 = x_0^3 + \varepsilon(3x_0^2 x_1) + \varepsilon^2(3x_0 x_1^2 + 3x_0^2 x_2) + \dots$$

$$\text{So } \varepsilon x^3 + x^2 + x - 2 = 0 \quad \text{gives :}$$

$$\varepsilon x_0^3 + \varepsilon^2(3x_0^2 x_1) + x_0^2 + \varepsilon(2x_0 x_1) + \varepsilon^2(x_1^2 + 2x_0 x_2)$$

$$+ x_0 + \varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{at order } \varepsilon^0 : x_0^2 + x_0 - 2 = 0 \quad (\text{same as } \varepsilon=0 \text{ in the equation})$$

$$\text{at order } \varepsilon^1 : x_0^3 + 2x_0 x_1 + x_1 = 0$$

$$\text{at order } \varepsilon^2 : 3x_0^2 x_1 + x_1^2 + 2x_0 x_2 + x_2 = 0$$

$$\text{Thus } (x_0 - 1)(x_0 + 2) = 0 \quad x_0 = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x_0 = -2$$

$$\text{thus } x_1 = \frac{-x_0^3}{1 + 2x_0} \quad x_1 = -\frac{1}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad x_1 = -\frac{8}{3}$$

$x_0$  and  $x_1$  are non null thus it is sufficient -

The two regular roots are :

$$x \sim 1 - \frac{1}{3} \varepsilon$$

$$x \sim -2 - \frac{8}{3} \varepsilon$$

Remark: With our calculus we can calculate the third terms

$$x_2 = \frac{-x_1^2 - 3x_0^2 x_1}{1 + 2x_0}$$

then for  $x_0 = 1$  and  $x_1 = -\frac{1}{3}$ :  $x_2 = \frac{\delta}{27}$

and for  $x_0 = -2$  and  $x_1 = -\frac{8}{3}$ :  $x_2 = \frac{-224}{27}$

3) for the third root it becomes large as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  so we

try:  $x = \frac{y}{\delta(\varepsilon)}$  with  $y \sim O(1)$

In the equation it gives:

$$\varepsilon \left( \frac{y}{\delta} \right)^3 + \left( \frac{y}{\delta} \right)^2 + \frac{y}{\delta} - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{\varepsilon}{\delta^3} y^3}_\textcircled{1} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\delta^2} y^2}_\textcircled{2} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\delta} y}_\textcircled{3} - 2 = 0$$

Let us find a dominant equilibrium as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

if  $\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{2}$  then  $\frac{\varepsilon}{\delta^3} \sim \frac{1}{\delta^2}$  i.e.  $\varepsilon \sim \delta$

then  $\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{2} \sim \frac{1}{\delta^2} \Rightarrow \textcircled{3}$  and  $\textcircled{4}$  Possible

if  $\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{3}$  then  $\frac{\varepsilon}{\delta^3} \sim \frac{1}{\delta}$  i.e.  $\varepsilon \sim \delta^2$

then  $\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{3} \sim \frac{1}{\delta} \ll \textcircled{2}$  Not dominant

if  $\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{4}$  then  $\varepsilon \sim \delta^3$

but then  $\textcircled{1} \sim \textcircled{4} \sim 1 \ll \textcircled{3}$  Not dominant

In all other cases  $\delta \sim 1$  so it gives  $x = y$  and we find the two regular roots.

Conclusion: dominant balance involving the first term is obtained with  $\varepsilon \sim \delta$

4) Let's substitute  $x \sim \frac{y}{\delta}$  in the equation with  $\delta \sim \varepsilon$

$$\text{It gives: } \delta \left( \frac{y}{\delta} \right)^3 + \left( \frac{y}{\delta} \right)^2 + \frac{y}{\delta} - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{thus } y^3 + y^2 + \delta y - 2\delta^2 = 0$$

This equation is regular in  $y$  for  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  ( $\delta \sim \varepsilon$ )

if  $y \sim y_0 + \delta y_1 + \delta^2 y_2 + \dots$  is injected we get

$$y_0^3 + 3\delta y_0^2 y_1 + 3\delta^2 (y_0^2 y_2 + y_0 y_1^2)$$

$$+ y_0^2 + 2\delta y_0 y_1 + \delta^2 (2y_0 y_2 + y_1^2)$$

$$+ \delta y_0 + \delta^2 y_1 - 2\delta^2 + \dots = 0$$

$$\text{Thus } \begin{cases} y_0^3 + y_0^2 = 0 \\ 3y_0^2 y_1 + 2y_0 y_1 + y_0 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} 3y_0^2 y_2 + 3y_0 y_1^2 + 2y_0 y_2 + y_1^2 + y_1 - 2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Thus } y_0^2(y_0 + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow y_0 = -1 \text{ or } y_0 = 0$$

The case  $y_0 = 0$  corresponds to the regular case.

Then, for  $y_0 = -1$  we get

$$y_1 = \frac{-1}{2 + 3y_0} = 1$$

thus the singular root is  $y \approx -1 + \delta$

and with  $\delta = \varepsilon$  and  $x = \frac{y}{\delta}$  we get

$$x \approx -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 1$$

Remark: we can calculate the third term

with  $y_0 = -1$  and  $y_1 = 1$  we get

$$y_2 = \frac{2 - y_1 - y_1^2 - 3y_0y_1^2}{3y_0^2 + 2y_0} = 3$$

$$\text{Then } x \approx -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 1 + 3\varepsilon$$

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## Exercise 4

$$\varepsilon^3 x^2 + \varepsilon x + 1 = 0 \quad (1) \quad \varepsilon \ll 1$$

1. In  $\mathbb{C}$  a 2<sup>nd</sup> order polynomial has 2 roots

2. With  $\varepsilon=0$  (1)  $\Rightarrow 1=0$  with no solution. Thus there are no regular root. The equation is singular and all the roots are singular.

Remark: we expect that these roots become large as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  so that they compensate the factors  $\varepsilon^2$  and/or  $\varepsilon$  in the equation.

3. We thus need to rescale  $x$  to find these roots:  $x = \frac{y}{\delta}$

where  $\delta(\varepsilon) \ll 1$  when  $\varepsilon \ll 1$  and  $y \sim O(1)$ .

$$\text{Then (1)} \Rightarrow \frac{\varepsilon^3}{\delta^2} y^2 + \frac{\varepsilon}{\delta} y + 1 = 0 \quad (2)$$

①      ②      ③

Let's find  $\delta$  such that there is a dominant balance

$$*\text{ Balance between ① and ②} \Rightarrow \frac{\varepsilon^3}{\delta^2} \sim \frac{\varepsilon}{\delta} \Rightarrow \delta \sim \varepsilon^2$$

$$\text{then } ① \sim ② \sim \frac{\varepsilon}{\delta} \sim \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon^2} \sim \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \quad \text{and } ③ \sim 1$$

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \gg 1 \text{ as } \varepsilon \ll 1 \quad \text{thus } ① \sim ② \gg ③ \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Balance} \\ 3/2 \text{ is possible} \end{matrix}$$

$$*\text{ Balance between ① and ③} \Rightarrow \frac{\varepsilon^3}{\delta^2} \sim 1 \Rightarrow \delta \sim \varepsilon^{3/2}$$

$$\text{then } ① \sim ③ \sim 1 \quad \text{and } ② \sim \frac{\varepsilon}{\delta} \sim \frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon^{3/2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}}$$

$$1 \ll \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} \text{ as } \varepsilon \ll 1 \quad \text{thus } ① \sim ③ \ll ② \quad \begin{matrix} \text{No dominant} \\ \text{balance} \end{matrix}$$

$$*\text{ Balance between ② and ③} \Rightarrow \frac{\varepsilon}{\delta} \sim 1 \Rightarrow \delta \sim \varepsilon$$

$$\text{then } ② \sim ③ \sim 1 \quad \text{and } ① \sim \frac{\varepsilon^3}{\delta^2} \sim \frac{\varepsilon^3}{\varepsilon^2} = \varepsilon$$

$$1 \gg \varepsilon \text{ as } \varepsilon \ll 1 \quad \text{thus } ② \sim ③ \gg ① \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Balance is} \\ \text{possible} \end{matrix}$$

We thus found 2 possible values for  $\delta$ :  $\delta \sim \varepsilon^2$  and  $\delta \sim \varepsilon$

4.

$$* \text{Let's try with } \delta = \varepsilon : (2) \Rightarrow \delta y^2 + \underbrace{y + 1}_{\text{dominant balance}} = 0$$

We notice that this equation is singular thus we expect that 1 root (or 2) are singular - But we see also that one root is regular (because  $\varepsilon = 0 \Rightarrow y + 1 = 0$  which has a solution).

$$\text{So we can try with } y = y_0 + \delta y_1 + \delta^2 y_2 + O(\delta^3)$$

$$\text{then } y^2 = y_0^2 + 2\delta y_0 y_1 + \delta^2 (y_1^2 + 2y_0 y_1) + O(\delta^3)$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \delta y_0^2 + 2\delta^2 y_0 y_1 + y_0 + \delta y_1 + \delta^2 y_2 + 1 + O(\delta^3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{order } \delta^0: y_0 + 1 = 0 \\ \delta^1: y_0^2 + y_1 = 0 \\ \delta^2: 2y_0 y_1 + y_2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} y_0 = -1 \\ y_1 = -y_0^2 = -1 \\ y_2 = -2y_0 y_1 = -2 \end{cases}$$

We find one root:  $y \approx -1 - \delta - 2\delta^2$  with  $x = \frac{y}{\delta}$  and  $\delta = \varepsilon$

$$\text{thus } x \approx -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} - 1 - 2\varepsilon$$

$$* \text{Let's try with } \delta \sim \varepsilon^2 : (2) \Rightarrow \frac{\delta^{3/2}}{\varepsilon^2} y^2 + \frac{\delta^{1/2}}{\varepsilon} y + 1 = 0$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \delta^{-1/2} y^2 + \delta^{-1/2} y + 1 = 0$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \underbrace{y^2 + y}_{\text{dominant balance}} + \sqrt{\delta} = 0$$

$$\text{So we can try } y = y_0 + \sqrt{\delta} y_1 + (\sqrt{\delta})^2 y_2 + O(\sqrt{\delta}^3)$$

It is easier to work with  $\varepsilon$  instead of  $\sqrt{\delta}$  because  $\varepsilon = \sqrt{\delta}$

$$\text{We have } (2) \Rightarrow y^2 + y + \varepsilon = 0$$

$$\text{and we try } y = y_0 + \varepsilon y_1 + \varepsilon^2 y_2 + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

$$y^2 = y_0^2 + 2\varepsilon y_0 y_1 + \varepsilon^2 (y_1^2 + 2y_0 y_1) + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

$$\text{and we find: } (2) \Rightarrow y_0^2 + 2\varepsilon y_0 y_1 + \varepsilon^2 (y_1^2 + 2y_0 y_1) + y_0 + \varepsilon y_1 + \varepsilon^2 y_2 + \varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^3) = 0$$

Which gives:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{at order } \varepsilon^0: \quad y_0^2 + y_0 = 0 \\ \varepsilon^1: \quad 2y_0 y_1 + y_1 + 1 = 0 \\ \varepsilon^2: \quad y_1^2 + 2y_0 y_2 + y_2 = 0 \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_0 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad -1 \\ y_1 = \frac{-1}{1+2y_0} \\ y_2 = \frac{-y_1^2}{1+2y_0} \end{array} \right.$$

Thus:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_0 = 0 \\ y_1 = -1 \\ y_2 = -1 \end{array} \right.$  or  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_0 = -1 \\ y_1 = +1 \\ y_2 = 1 \end{array} \right.$

We find the 2 roots:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y \sim -\varepsilon - \varepsilon^2 + O(\varepsilon^3) \\ y \sim -1 + \varepsilon + \varepsilon^2 + O(\varepsilon^3) \end{array} \right.$

And with  $x = \frac{y}{\delta} = \frac{y}{\varepsilon^2}$  we get:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x \sim \frac{-1}{\varepsilon} - 1 + O(\varepsilon) \\ x \sim -\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 1 + O(\varepsilon) \end{array} \right.$

We see that one term is missing in the first root, we need to go further. However we did the job before and found for the first scaling the corresponding root with 3 first terms of the expansion.

So the 2 roots are  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x \sim -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} - 1 - 2\varepsilon + O(\varepsilon^2) \\ x \sim -\frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} + 1 + O(\varepsilon) \end{array} \right.$

Remark: That's a good exercise to find the missing term ( $-2\varepsilon$ ) by developing the equation for  $y_3$  with  $y_0 = 0, y_1 = 1, y_2 = -1$  you should find  $y_3 = -2$ .

Let us try:

$$\text{We have: } y^2 + y + \varepsilon = 0$$

$$\text{and } y = y_0 + y_1 \varepsilon + y_2 \varepsilon^2 + y_3 \varepsilon^3 + O(\varepsilon^4)$$

$$y^2 = y_0^2 + \varepsilon(2y_0y_1) + \varepsilon^2(y_1^2 + 2y_0y_2) + \varepsilon^3(2y_0y_3 + 2y_1y_2) + O(\varepsilon^4)$$

$$\text{Thus } \begin{cases} y_0^2 + y_0 = 0 \\ 2y_0y_1 + y_1 + 1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} y_1^2 + 2y_0y_2 + y_2 = 0 \\ 2y_0y_3 + 2y_1y_2 + y_3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} y_0 = 0 \\ y_1 = -1 \\ y_2 = -1 \\ y_3 = -2 \end{cases}$$

with  $y_0 = 0$  we get  $y_1 = -1$ ,  $y_2 = -1$  as before

$$\text{and } y_3 = \frac{-2y_1y_2}{1+2y_0} = -2 \quad \text{Done!}$$

5. We can check with the exact solution for  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\text{We get: } x = \frac{-\varepsilon \pm \sqrt{\varepsilon^2 - 4\varepsilon^3}}{2\varepsilon^3} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1-4\varepsilon}}{2\varepsilon^2}$$

$$\text{We know that } \sqrt{1+\alpha} \sim 1 + \frac{\alpha}{2} + O(\alpha^2) \quad (\text{Taylor})$$

$$\text{So } x \sim \frac{-1 \pm (1-2\varepsilon)}{2\varepsilon^2} \sim \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \\ \text{or} \\ \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \end{cases}$$

These are the order of magnitude of the two roots we found.

## Exercise 5

$$(x+1)^3 - \left(\varepsilon + \frac{27}{4}\right)x = 0 \quad (1)$$

Let's try with  $x = x_0 + \varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + \dots$

Then  $x+1 = (x_0+1) + \varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + \dots$

$$\text{Then } (x+1)^3 = (x_0+1)^3 + 3(x_0+1)^2 \varepsilon x_1 + 3(x_0+1) \varepsilon^2 x_2 + 3(x_0+1)^2 \varepsilon^2 x_2 + O(\varepsilon^3)$$

$$\text{Then (1)} \Rightarrow (x_0+1)^3 - \frac{27}{4} x_0 + \varepsilon \left( 3(x_0+1)^2 x_1 - x_0 - \frac{27}{4} x_1 \right) + O(\varepsilon^2) = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} (x_0+1)^3 - \frac{27}{4} x_0 = 0 & (2) \\ (3(x_0+1)^2 - \frac{27}{4}) x_1 - x_0 = 0 & (3) \end{cases}$$

We remark (see the hint) that  $\frac{1}{2}$  is a double root of  $(x+1)^3 - \frac{27}{4} x$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{indeed } (x+1)^3 - \frac{27}{4} x &= x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1 - \frac{27}{4} x = x^3 + 3x^2 - \frac{15}{4} x + 1 \\ &= \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 (x - a) \\ &= \left(x^2 - x + \frac{1}{4}\right)(x - a) = x^3 - x^2 + \frac{x}{4} - ax^2 + ax - \frac{a}{4} \\ &= x^3 + (-1-a)x^2 + \left(\frac{1}{4} + a\right)x - \frac{a}{4} \quad \text{with } a = -4 \end{aligned}$$

$$(x+1)^3 - \frac{27}{4} x = \left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 (x + 4) \quad \frac{1}{2} \text{ double root, } -4 \text{ single root}$$

We are searching for roots close to  $\frac{1}{2}$

If we choose  $x_0 = \frac{1}{2}$  in (2)

$$\text{then (3)} \Rightarrow \left(3\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{27}{4}\right) x_1 - \frac{1}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow 0 \cdot x_1 - \frac{1}{2} = 0 \text{ impossible}$$

Thus there is no solution with the form  $x \sim x_0 + \varepsilon x_1 + \varepsilon^2 x_2 + \dots$

We have to find another form. As  $x_0 = \frac{1}{2}$  is a double root we can try with an expansion in powers of  $\sqrt{\varepsilon}$  (see the hint)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{It means } x &= x_0 + \sqrt{\varepsilon} x_1 + (\sqrt{\varepsilon})^2 x_2 + (\sqrt{\varepsilon})^3 x_3 + \dots \\ x &= x_0 + \sqrt{\varepsilon} x_1 + \varepsilon x_2 + O(\varepsilon^{3/2}) \end{aligned}$$

Let us insert this form into the equation (1):  $(x+1)^3 - \left(\varepsilon + \frac{27}{4}\right)x = 0$

We have  $(x+1)^3 = (x_0+1)^3 + \sqrt{\varepsilon} (3(x_0+1)^2 x_1) + \varepsilon (3(x_0+1) x_1^2 + 3(x_0+1)^2 x_2) + O(\varepsilon^{3/2})$   
 and  $\varepsilon x = \varepsilon x_0 + x_1 \varepsilon^{3/2} + \dots = \varepsilon x_0 + O(\varepsilon^{3/2})$

$$\text{Thus (1)} \Rightarrow (x_0+1)^3 - \frac{27}{4}x_0 + \sqrt{\varepsilon} \left( 3(x_0+1)^2 x_1 - \frac{27}{4}x_1 \right) + \varepsilon \left( 3(x_0+1)x_1^2 + 3(x_0+1)^2 x_2 - x_0 - \frac{27}{4}x_2 \right) + O(\varepsilon^{3/2}) = 0$$

thus:

$$\text{at order } (\sqrt{\varepsilon})^0: (x_0+1)^3 - \frac{27}{4}x_0 = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$(\sqrt{\varepsilon})^1: 3(x_0+1)^2 x_1 - \frac{27}{4}x_1 = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$(\sqrt{\varepsilon})^2: 3(x_0+1)x_1^2 + 3(x_0+1)^2 x_2 - x_0 - \frac{27}{4}x_2 = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$(\sqrt{\varepsilon})^2: 3(x_0+1)x_1^2 + 3(x_0+1)^2 x_2 - x_0 - \frac{27}{4}x_2 = 0 \quad (6)$$

We choose  $x_0 = \frac{1}{2}$  as solution of (4) (always the same equation at order 0)

$$\text{Then (5)} \Rightarrow 3\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 x_1 - \frac{27}{4}x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = 0$$

$$\text{and (6)} \Rightarrow 3\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)x_1^2 + 3\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 x_2 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{27}{4}x_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{2}x_1^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1^2 = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = \pm \frac{1}{3}$$

Thus the approximate solution for the roots close to  $\frac{1}{2}$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  are:

$$x \sim \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{\varepsilon}$$