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Power Series Solutions to Differential Equations

Given Differential Equation

$$(y'' - xy' - y = 0, \quad x_0 = 1)$$

Step (a): Power Series Solution and Recurrence Relation

1. Assume the Power Series Form:

Assume that (y) can be expressed as a power series:

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

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

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

2. Substitute into the Differential Equation:

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

3. Shift the Index:

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

4. Combine and Equate Coefficients:

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

5. Simplify and Derive Recurrence Relation:

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

Step (b): First Four Nonzero Terms for (y_1) and (y_2)

Series for (y_1) :

Set $(a_0 = 1)$ and $(a_1 = 0)$:

$$(a_2 = \frac{0 - 1}{4} = -\frac{1}{4})$$

$$(a_3 = \frac{-\frac{1}{4} - 0}{6} = -\frac{1}{24})$$

$$(a_4 = \frac{-\frac{1}{24} + \frac{1}{4}}{8} = \frac{5}{192})$$

$$y_1(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{4} (x-1)^2 - \frac{1}{24} (x-1)^3 + \frac{5}{192} (x-1)^4$$

Series for (y_2) :

Set $(a_0 = 0)$ and $(a_1 = 1)$:

$$(a_2 = \frac{1 - 0}{4} = \frac{1}{4})$$

$$(a_3 = \frac{\frac{1}{4} - 1}{6} = -\frac{5}{24})$$

$$(a_4 = \frac{-\frac{5}{24} - \frac{1}{4}}{8} = -\frac{11}{192})$$

$$y_2(x) = (x-1) + \frac{1}{4} (x-1)^2 - \frac{5}{24} (x-1)^3 - \frac{11}{192} (x-1)^4$$

Step (c): Wronskian and Fundamental Set of Solutions

The Wronskian of two functions is given by:

$$(W(y_1, y_2)(x) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1 & y_2 \\ y_1' & y_2' \end{vmatrix} = y_1 y_2' - y_1' y_2)$$

Evaluate at $(x = 1)$:

$$(y_1(1) = 1, \quad y_1'(1) = 0)$$

$$(y_2(1) = 0, \quad y_2'(1) = 1)$$

$$W(y_1, y_2)(1) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

The nonzero Wronskian indicates (y_1) and (y_2) form a fundamental set of solutions.

Final Solution Summary

Recurrence relation: $a_{n+2} = \frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{2(n+2)}$

First four terms of $y_1(x)$: $y_1(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{4}(x-1)^2 - \frac{1}{24}(x-1)^3 + \frac{5}{192}(x-1)^4$

First four terms of $y_2(x)$: $y_2(x) = (x-1) + \frac{1}{4}(x-1)^2 - \frac{5}{24}(x-1)^3 - \frac{11}{192}(x-1)^4$

Wronskian at $x = 1$: $W(y_1, y_2)(1) = 1$, indicating a fundamental set.

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