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## Chapter 5 Series Solutions of 2<sup>nd</sup>-Order Linear Eqs

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### 2<sup>nd</sup>-Order Linear Eqs.

- constant coefficients: systematic procedure for constructing fundamental solutions
- variable coefficients:  $P(x)y'' + Q(x)y' + R(x)y = 0$

power series solution at  $x_0$

- ordinary pt  $P(x_0) \neq 0$
- singular pt  $P(x_0) = 0$
- regular singular pt  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (x-x_0)^{-1} \frac{Q(x)}{P(x)}, \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (x-x_0)^2 \frac{R(x)}{P(x)}$  finite
- irregular singular pt.

### §5.1 Review of Power Series

#### Definition

$$(1) \text{ power series } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-x_0)^n$$

$$(2) \sum a_n (x-x_0)^n \text{ converges at } x \iff \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=0}^m a_n (x-x_0)^n \text{ exists for } x$$

$$(3) \sum a_n (x-x_0)^n \text{ converges absolutely at } x \iff \sum |a_n (x-x_0)^n| \text{ converges at } x$$

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Ratio Test

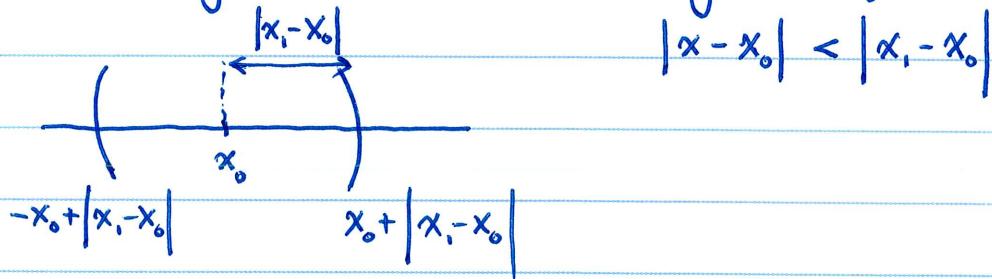
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1} (x - x_0)^{n+1}}{a_n (x - x_0)^n} \right| = |x - x_0| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = L$$

$$L \begin{cases} < 1 & \text{absolutely convergent at } x \\ > 1 & \text{divergent at } x \\ = 1 & \text{unknown} \end{cases}$$

Ex. 1 For which values of  $x$  does  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n} (x-1)^n$  converge?

Property

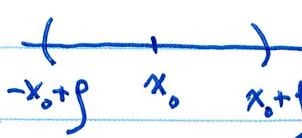
$\sum a_n (x - x_0)^n$  converges at  $x = x_0 \Rightarrow$  it converges abs. for all  $x$  s.t.

Radius of Convergence

$r > 0$  is called the radius of convergence of the power series  $\sum a_n (x - x_0)^n$

$\Leftrightarrow$  it converges abs.  $\forall x$  s.t.  $|x - x_0| < r$

and diverges  $\forall x$  s.t.  $|x - x_0| > r$



Ex. 2 Determine  $r$  of  $\sum \frac{(x+1)^n}{n 2^n}$ ,  $\sum (-1)^n \frac{n^2 (x+2)^n}{3^n}$ .

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Manipulations  $\sum a_n (x-x_0)^n \rightarrow f(x)$ ,  $\sum b_n (x-x_0)^n \rightarrow g(x)$  with  $R > 0$

$$(1) \quad f(x) \pm g(x) = \sum (a_n \pm b_n) (x-x_0)^n \quad \text{with at least } R > |x-x_0|$$

$$(2) \quad f(x)g(x) = \sum c_n (x-x_0)^n \quad \text{converges at least for } |x-x_0| < R$$

with  $c_n = a_0 b_n + a_1 b_{n-1} + \dots + a_n b_0 = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k b_{n-k}$

$$(3) \quad \text{assume that } g(x_0) \neq 0$$

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \sum d_n (x-x_0)^n \quad \text{with the radius of convergence } \leq R$$

$$(4) \quad f(x) \text{ is cont. and has derivatives of all order for } |x-x_0| < R$$

$$f^{(k)}(x) = \sum \left[ a_n (x-x_0)^n \right]^{(k)}, \quad \int f(x) dx = \sum a_n \int (x-x_0)^n dx.$$

Taylor Expansion  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} (x-x_0)^n \quad \text{with } R > 0$

$f(x)$  is analytic at  $x=x_0 \Leftrightarrow R > 0$

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## Shift of Index of Summation

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n x^n}{n!} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^j x^j}{j!}$$

Ex. 3  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n x^n \xrightarrow{?} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_{m+2} x^{m+2}$

$m = n-2 = 0 \Rightarrow n = m+2$

Ex. 4  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) a_n (x-x_0)^{n-2} \xrightarrow{?} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (m+4)(m+3) \underline{(x-x_0)}^m a_{n+2}$

$m = n-2 \Rightarrow n = m+2$

$n \rightarrow m+2$

## §5.2 Series Solutions Near an Ordinary Pt, Part I

DEs with variable coefficients given  $P(x)$ ,  $Q(x)$ ,  $R(x)$

$$\text{set } p(x) = \frac{R(x)}{P(x)}, \quad q = \frac{R}{P} \Rightarrow y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

examples

$$x^2 y'' + x y' + (x^2 - v^2) y = 0 \quad \text{the Bessel eq.}$$

$$(1-x^2) y'' - 2x y' + \alpha(\alpha+1) y = 0 \quad \text{the Legendre eq.}$$

Assumption  $P(x)$ ,  $Q(x)$ ,  $R(x)$  are polynomials with no common factor

Definition • Ordinary pt  $x_0 \iff P(x_0) \neq 0$  §5.2-5.3

• Singular pt  $x_0 \iff P(x_0) = 0$  §5.4-5.6

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} p(x) = \infty \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} q(x) = \infty$$

### Series Solution

$$y(x) = a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) + a_2(x-x_0)^2 + \cdots + a_n(x-x_0)^n + \cdots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-x_0)^n$$

Questions  $a_n = ?$  and  $f = ?$

Example 1

$$y'' + y = 0$$

Solution 1

$$y = e^{rx} \Rightarrow (r^2 + 1)e^{rx} = 0 \Rightarrow r^2 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \pm i \Rightarrow e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = c_1 \cos x + c_2 \sin x$$

Solution 2

$P(x) = 1 \Rightarrow$  every  $x_0$  is an ordinary pt

$$x_0 = 0$$

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

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

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

$$\begin{array}{c} m=n-2 \\ \downarrow \\ n=m+2 \end{array}$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow (n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} + a_n = 0 \quad \text{for } n=0, 1, \dots$$

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$$\Rightarrow a_{n+2} = -\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} a_n \quad \text{recurrence relation}$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{a_0}{1 \cdot 2}, \quad a_4 = -\frac{a_2}{3 \cdot 4} = (-1)^2 \frac{a_0}{4!} \Rightarrow a_{2k} = (-1)^k \frac{a_0}{(2k)!}$$

$$a_3 = -\frac{a_1}{2 \cdot 3}, \quad a_5 = -\frac{a_3}{4 \cdot 5} = (-1)^2 \frac{a_1}{5!} \Rightarrow a_{2k+1} = (-1)^k \frac{a_1}{(2k+1)!}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = a_0 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{1}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + a_1 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{1}{(2k+1)!} x^{2k+1}$$

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$$= a_0 \cos x + a_1 \sin x$$

ratio test  $\rho = \infty$

see Figures 5.2.1 and 5.2.2

Ex. 2 Airy's eq.  $y'' - xy = 0$

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

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

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### §5.3 Series Solutions Near an Ordinary Pt, Part II

(\*)  $P(x)y'' + Q(x)y' + R(x)y = 0$ ,  $P, Q, R$  are poly. with no common factor

$$y'' + p y' + q y = 0 \quad \text{with } p = \frac{Q}{P} \text{ and } q = \frac{R}{P}.$$

Solution

$$y(x) = \varphi(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-x_0)^n$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n = \frac{\varphi^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!}, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\varphi^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!} (x-x_0)^n$$

$\varphi^{(n)}(x_0) = ?$  assume that  $P(x) \neq 0$  in an interval containing  $x_0$

$$\varphi(x_0) = a_0, \quad \varphi'(x_0) = a_1,$$

$$\varphi''(x) = -p\varphi' - q\varphi \quad \Rightarrow \quad \varphi''(x_0) = -[p(x_0)a_1 + q(x_0)a_0]$$

$$\varphi'''(x_0) = -[p\varphi' + q\varphi] \Big|_{x=x_0}' = -[p\varphi'' + (p' + q)\varphi' + q'\varphi] \Big|_{x=x_0}$$

$$\varphi'''(x_0) = -[2! p(x_0)a_2 + (p'(x_0) + q(x_0))a_1 + q'(x_0)a_0]$$

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Assumption  $p(x)$  and  $f(x)$  are analytic at  $x_0$ .

$$\Rightarrow p(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n (x-x_0)^n \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} F_n (x-x_0)^n$$

Definition

- Ordinary pt  $x_0 \Leftrightarrow p$  and  $f$  are analytic at  $x_0$ .
- Singular pt  $x_0 \Leftrightarrow$  either  $p$  or  $f$  is not analytic at  $x_0$ .

Theorem Assume that  $x_0$  is an ordinary pt of (\*), the general solution is

$$y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-x_0)^n = a_0 y_1(x) + a_1 y_2(x)$$

where  $a_0$  and  $a_1$  are arbitrary constants

$y_1(x)$  and  $y_2(x)$  are linearly indep. series solutions that are analytic at  $x_0$

$$S_{y_1}, S_{y_2} \geq \min \{ S_p, S_f \}.$$

$S_p = ?$   $S_f = ?$  (1) power series of  $p$  and  $f \Rightarrow S_p, S_f$

(2) If  $P, Q, R$  are polynomials and  $P(x_0) \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{Q}{P}$  has a convergent power series expansion at  $x_0$ .

$$S_p = \text{dist} \{ x_0, \text{the nearest zero of } P \}$$

## Examples Taylor series and $\rho$

$$(1) \frac{1}{1+x^2} = 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6 + \dots \quad \begin{cases} \text{ratio test } \rho = 1 \\ \text{root } x = \pm i \end{cases} \quad \text{dist}\{0, \pm i\} = 1$$

$\frac{1}{1-(-x^2)}$

$$(2) \frac{1}{x^2 - 2x + 2} \quad \begin{cases} x_0 = 0 \\ x_0 = 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} x = 1 \pm i \\ \text{dist}\{0, 1 \pm i\} = \sqrt{2} \\ \text{dist}\{1, 1 \pm i\} = 1 \end{cases}$$

## Examples determine a lower bound for $\rho$

$$(3) \text{Legendre eq. } (1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + \alpha(\alpha+1)y = 0 \text{ at } x_0 = 0$$

$$P(x) = 1 - x^2, \quad Q(x) = -2x, \quad R(x) = \alpha(\alpha+1)$$

$$\stackrel{\parallel}{\downarrow}$$

$$x = \pm 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \rho_p = \text{dist}\{0, \pm 1\} = 1 = \rho_Q$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_y \geq 1$$

$$(4) (1+x^2)y'' + 2xy' + 4x^2y \text{ at } x_0 = 0 \text{ and } x_0 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(x) = 1 + x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm i \Rightarrow \rho_p = \rho_Q = \text{dist}\{0, \pm i\} = 1 \leq \rho_y$$

$$\rho_p = \rho_Q = \text{dist}\{-\frac{1}{2}, \pm i\} = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{2} \leq \rho_y$$

$$(5) y'' + (\sin x)y' + (1+x^2)y = 0 \text{ at } x_0 = 0$$

## §5.4 Euler Eqs; Regular Singular Pts

$$L[y] = x^2 y'' + \alpha x y' + \beta y = 0, \quad \alpha, \beta - \text{constants}$$

$P(x) = x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x=0$  is the only singular pt

$$x \cdot \frac{Q}{P} = \alpha, \quad x^2 \frac{R}{P} = \beta \Rightarrow x=0 \text{ regular singular pt}$$

$x > 0$   $y = x^r \Rightarrow L[x^r] = x^r \left\{ r(r-1) + \alpha r + \beta \right\}$

$$F(r) = r^2 + (\alpha-1)r + \beta$$

$$L[x^r] = 0 \Rightarrow F(r) = 0 \Rightarrow r_1, r_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ -(\alpha-1) \pm \sqrt{(\alpha-1)^2 - 4\beta} \right\}$$

2<sup>nd</sup>-order DE with constant coefficient

Euler Eq

$$y = e^{rx}$$

$$y = x^r = e^{rlnx}$$

roots (1) distinct real, (2) equal, (3) complex

(1)  $r_1 \neq r_2$  (real)  $y_1 = x^{r_1}, y_2 = x^{r_2}, W(y_1, y_2) \neq 0$

$$y = c_1 x^{r_1} + c_2 x^{r_2}$$

Example  $2x^2 y'' + 3x y' - y = 0$  for  $x > 0$

$$\Rightarrow r_1 = \frac{1}{2}, r_2 = -1$$

$$y = c_1 x^{\frac{1}{2}} + c_2 x^{-1}$$

$$(2) \quad r_1 = r_2 \quad y_1 = x^{r_1} \quad \text{one solution}$$

$y_2(x) = ?$  (method of reduction of order  $y = v(x)y_1(x)$ )

$$r_1 = r_2 \implies F(r) = (r - r_1)^2$$

$$\implies F(r_1) = 0 \text{ and } F'(r_1) = 0$$

$$L[x^r] = x^r F(r)$$

$$\implies \frac{\partial}{\partial r} L[x^r] = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} [x^r F(r)] = \frac{\partial x^r}{\partial r} F(r) + x^r F'(r)$$

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$$= x^r \ln x F(r) + x^r F'(r)$$

$$L[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} x^r] = L[x^r \ln x]$$

$$= x^r \ln x (r - r_1)^2 + x^r 2(r - r_1)$$

$$= 0 \text{ for } r = r_1$$

$$\implies y_2(x) = x^{r_1} \underline{\ln x}$$

$$y(x) = c_1 x^{r_1} + c_2 x^{r_1} \ln x$$

$$\text{Example } x^2 y'' + 5x y' + 4y = 0, \quad r_1 = r_2 = -2$$

$$y = c_1 x^{-2} + c_2 x^{-2} \ln x$$

$$(3) \quad r_{1,2} = \lambda \pm i\mu \quad (\mu \neq 0) \quad x^r = e^{r \ln x}$$

$$x^{\lambda + i\mu} = e^{(\lambda + i\mu) \ln x} = e^{\lambda \ln x} \left( \cos(\mu \ln x) + i \sin(\mu \ln x) \right)$$

$$= x^\lambda \cos(\mu \ln x) + i x^\lambda \sin(\mu \ln x)$$

$$y(x) = c_1 x^\lambda \cos(\mu \ln x) + c_2 x^\lambda \sin(\mu \ln x)$$

Example  $x^2 y'' + xy' + y = 0, \quad r = \pm i$

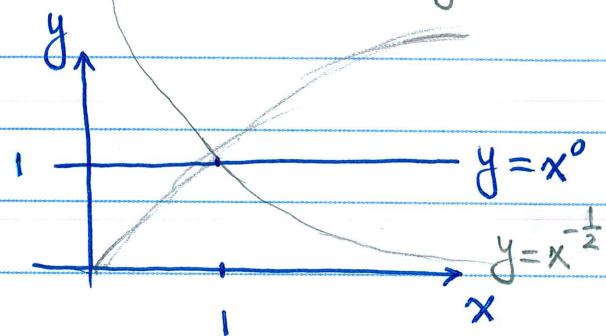
$$y(x) = c_1 \cos(\ln x) + c_2 \sin(\ln x)$$

Qualitative Behavior near the singular pt  $x_0=0$ .

$$y = x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

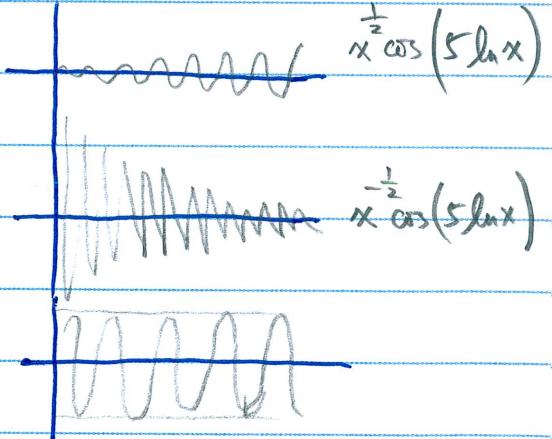
r-real

$$x^r \begin{cases} \rightarrow 0 & r > 0 \\ \text{unbounded} & r < 0 \\ 1 & r = 0 \end{cases}$$



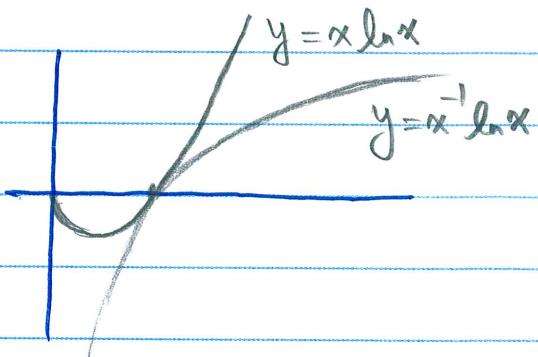
r-complex

$$x^\lambda \cos(\mu \ln x) \begin{cases} \rightarrow 0 & \lambda > 0 \\ \text{unbounded} & \lambda < 0 \\ \text{const. amplitude } \lambda = 0 \end{cases}$$



r-repeated

$$x^r \ln x \begin{cases} \rightarrow 0 & r > 0 \\ \text{unbounded} & r < 0 \end{cases}$$



## Regular Singular Pts

$P(x)y'' + Q(x)y' + R(x)y = 0$ ,  $P, Q, R$  — poly. having no common factor

$$\text{Singular pts: } S = \left\{ x \mid P(x) = 0 \right\}$$

regular singular pts:

$$(1) P, Q, R \text{—poly. } RS = \left\{ x_0 \in S \mid \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{(x-x_0)Q}{P} \text{ & } \lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{(x-x_0)^2 R}{P} \text{ finite} \right\}$$

$$(2) \text{ non-poly. } RS = \left\{ x_0 \in S \mid \frac{(x-x_0)Q}{P} \text{ & } \frac{(x-x_0)^2 R}{P} \text{ analytic at } x_0 \right\}$$

Irregular singular pts:  $S \setminus RS$

Determine the singular pts:  $S = ?$   $RS = ?$

Examples

$$(4) (1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + \alpha(\alpha+1)y = 0 \quad \text{the Legendre eq.}$$

$$(5) 2x(x-2)^2y'' + 3xy' + (x-2)y = 0$$

$$(6) \left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 y'' + (\cos x)y' + (\sin x)y = 0$$

### §5.5 Series Solutions Near a Regular Singular Pt, Part I

$$(*) \quad P(x)y'' + Q(x)y' + R(x)y = 0$$

$x_0=0$  regular singular pt

$xP(x) = x \frac{Q}{P}$  and  $x^2 Q(x) = x^2 \frac{R}{P}$  have finite limit as  $x \rightarrow 0$   
and are analytic at  $x=0$

$$\Rightarrow xP(x) = \sum p_n x^n \text{ and } x^2 Q(x) = \sum q_n x^n \text{ for all } |x| < \rho =$$

$$\underline{\frac{x^2}{P} \times (*)} \Rightarrow x^2 y'' + x \left( xP(x) \right) y' + \left( x^2 Q(x) \right) y = 0 \quad (**)$$

Assume that  $p_0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{xQ}{P}$  and  $q_0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 R}{P}$ ,  $p_n = q_n = 0$  for  $n=1, 2, \dots$

$$\stackrel{(**)}{\Rightarrow} x^2 y'' + p_0 x y' + q_0 y = 0 \quad \text{Euler's equation}$$

$p_0 \neq 0$  &  $q_0 \neq 0$  the solution of  $(**)$  has essential character of the solution of Euler's

$$\Rightarrow \text{find } y(x) = x^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r} \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

Questions  $r=?$ ,  $a_n=?$ ,  $\rho=?$

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

$x_0=0$  — regular singular pt

$$xp(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow p_0 = -\frac{1}{2}; \quad x^2 f(x) = \frac{1+x}{2} \Rightarrow f_0 = \frac{1}{2} = g_0.$$

$2x^2y'' - xy' + y = 0$  — the corresponding Euler eq.

Series Solution  $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r}, \quad y' = \sum (n+r)a_n x^{n+r-1}, \quad y'' = \sum (n+r)(n+r-1)a_n x^{n+r-2}$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= 2x^2y'' - xy' + (1+x)y \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2(n+r)(n+r-1)a_n x^{n+r} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+r)a_n x^{n+r} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r+1} \\ &= a_0 [2r(r-1) - r + 1] x^r + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_{m-1} x^{m+r} \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ [2(n+r)(n+r-1) - (n+r) + 1] a_n + a_{n-1} \right\} x^{n+r} \\ &\quad \text{2(n+r) - 3(n+r) + 1} = [2(n+r)-1][ (n+r)-1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 = 2r(r-1) - r + 1 = (r-1)(2r-1) \Rightarrow r_1 = 1, r_2 = \frac{1}{2} \\ \text{the indicial eq.} \\ 0 = [2(n+r)-1](n+r-1) a_n + a_{n-1} \Rightarrow a_n = \frac{-a_{n-1}}{[2(n+r)-1](n+r-1)} \text{ for } n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\underline{r=r_1=1} \quad a_n = -\frac{a_{n-1}}{n(2n+1)} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1$$

$$a_1 = -\frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} a_0, \quad a_2 = -\frac{a_1}{2 \cdot 5} = (-1)^2 \frac{a_0}{(1 \cdot 2)(3 \cdot 5)} = (-1)^2 \frac{a_0 \cdot 2 \cdot 4}{2! \cdot 5!} = (-1)^2 \frac{2^2}{5!} a_0$$

$$a_3 = -\frac{a_2}{3 \cdot 7} = (-1)^3 \frac{a_0}{(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3)(3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7)} = (-1)^3 \frac{a_0 (2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6)}{3! \cdot 7!} = (-1)^3 \frac{2^3}{7!} a_0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n = (-1)^n \frac{2^n}{(2n+1)!} a_0 \quad \text{for } n \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1(x) = \frac{1}{a_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+1} = x \left[ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2^n}{(2n+1)!} x^n \right]$$

$$L(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1} x^{n+1}}{a_n x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2|x|}{(2n+2)(2n+3)} = 0 \Rightarrow g = +\infty.$$

$$\underline{r=r_2=\frac{1}{2}} \quad a_n = -\frac{a_{n-1}}{n(2n-1)} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow a_n = (-1)^n \frac{2^n}{(2n)!} a_0$$

$$\Rightarrow y_2(x) = x^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2^n}{(2n)!} x^n \right] \quad \text{with } g = +\infty$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x) \quad \text{for } x > 0$$

regular singular pt at  $x_0 \neq 0$

$$y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-x_0)^{n+r}$$

## §5.6 Series Solutions Near a Regular Singular Pt, Part II

$$L[y] = x^2 y'' + x(p(x)) y' + (x^2 f(x)) y = 0$$

Assumptions

(1)  $xp(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_n x^n$ ,  $x^2 f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n x^n$  converge for  $|x| < s$

(2)  $x_0 = 0$  is a regular singular pt

Euler's eq.

$$x^2 y'' + p_0 x y' + f_0 y = 0$$

Indicial eq.

$$0 = F(r) \equiv r(r-1) + p_0 r + f_0$$

Question

$$? = y = \varphi(r, x) = x^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = L[y] = L[\varphi](r, x) = a_0 F(r) x^r + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ F(r+n) a_n + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} [(r+k)p_{n-k} + f_{n-k}] a_k \right\} x^{n+r}$$

$$\begin{cases} F(r) = 0 \implies \text{roots } r_1 \geq r_2 \text{ (real)} \text{ exponents at the singularity} \\ F(r+n) a_n + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} [(r+k)p_{n-k} + f_{n-k}] a_k = 0 \text{ for } n \geq 1 \text{ recurrence relation} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} F(r+n) \neq 0 \\ \implies \end{array} a_n = -\frac{1}{F(r+n)} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} [(r+k)p_{n-k} + f_{n-k}] a_k$$

one solution

$$r_1 \geq r_2 \implies r_1 + n \neq r_1 \text{ or } r_2 \text{ for } n \geq 1 \implies F(r_1 + n) \neq 0$$

$$\implies y_1(x) = x^{r_1} \left[ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \underline{a_n(r_1)} x^n \right] \text{ for } x > 0$$

2<sup>nd</sup> solution

$$(1) r_2 \neq r_1 \text{ and } r_1 = r_2 \neq \text{positive integer}$$

$$\implies r_2 + n \neq r_1 \implies F(r_2 + n) \neq 0$$

$$\implies y_2(x) = x^{r_2} \left[ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(r_2) x^n \right] \text{ for } x > 0$$

Remarks

(a)  $y_1(x)$  and  $y_2(x)$  converge at least for all  $|x| < \rho$ ;

(b)  $1 + \sum a_n(r_i) x^n$  define functions that are analytic at  $x_0 = 0$ ;

(c) the singular behavior is due to the factor  $x^{r_1}$  and  $x^{r_2}$ ;

(d) when  $x < 0$ , replacing  $x^{r_i}$  by  $|x|^{r_i}$ ;

(e)  $r_1 = \bar{r}_2$ , two real-valued series solutions: real and imaginary parts

(f)  $r_1 = r_2$  or  $r_1 - r_2 = N$  to be discussed later.

Steps

$$(a) p_0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x p(x) \text{ and } f_0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 f(x)$$

$$(b) \text{ solving } 0 = F(r) = r(r-1) + p_0 r + f_0 \text{ for } r_1 \text{ and } r_2$$

$$(c) \text{ determine } p_p \text{ and } f_f \text{ for } x p(x) = \sum p_n x^n \text{ and } x^2 f(x) = \sum f_n x^n, \text{ resp.}$$

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

(a) regular singular pts

$$P(x) = 2x(1+x) = 0 \implies \text{singular pts: } x=0, x=-1$$

$$\underline{x=0} \quad p_0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \frac{Q}{P} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3+x}{2(1+x)} = \frac{3}{2}, \quad q_0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \frac{R}{P} = 0 \implies \text{Regular Singular pt.}$$

$$\underline{x=-1} \quad p_0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x+1) \frac{Q}{P} = -1, \quad q_0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x+1)^2 \frac{R}{P} = 0 \implies \text{Regular Singular pt.}$$

(b) the indicial eqs and exponents

$$\underline{x=0} \quad 0 = r(r-1) + \frac{3}{2}r = r\left(r + \frac{1}{2}\right) \implies r_1 = 0, r_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\underline{x=-1} \quad 0 = r(r-1) - r = r(r-2) \implies r_1 = 2, r_2 = 0$$

(c) series solutions and their behaviors

$$\underline{x=0} \quad r_1 = 0 > r_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad r_1 - r_2 = \frac{1}{2} \neq \text{integer}$$

$$y_1(x) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(0) x^n \quad \text{bounded as } x \rightarrow 0$$

$$y_2(x) = |x|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(-\frac{1}{2}) x^n \right] \quad \text{unbounded as } x \rightarrow 0$$

converge for  $|x| < g$  with  $g \geq \min\{s_p, s_q\} = \text{dist}\{0, \text{the nearest zero of } P\}$

= 1

$x = -1$   $r_1 = 2 > r_2 = 0$ , but  $r_1 - r_2 = 2$  — integer

$$y_1(x) = (x+1)^2 \left[ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(2) x^n \right] \quad \text{bounded as } x \rightarrow -1$$

converges for  $|x+1| < \rho$  with  $\rho \geq 1$ .

$$y_2(x) = ?$$

2nd solution (2)  $r_1 = r_2$

$$y_2(x) = y_1(x) \ln|x| + |x|^{\sum_{n=1}^{r_1} b_n(r_1) x^n} \quad \text{with } b_n(r_1) = \frac{d a_n(r)}{dr} \Big|_{r=r_1}$$

(3)  $r_1 - r_2 = N$

$$y_2(x) = a y_1(x) \ln|x| + |x|^{\sum_{n=1}^{r_2} c_n(r_2) x^n}$$

$$\text{where } c_n(r_2) = \frac{d}{dr} \left[ (r-r_2) a_n(r) \right]_{r=r_2} \text{ and } a = \lim_{r \rightarrow r_2^-} (r-r_2) a(r).$$