

$$1. (1+x^3)y'' - 6xy' = 0$$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Guess } y_2 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot x^n, \quad (1+x^3) \cdot \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot (n-1) \cdot x^{n-2} - 6x \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot (n-1) \cdot x^{n-1} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot (n-1) \cdot x^{n+1} - 6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot x^{n+1} \\ &= \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} a_{n-1} \cdot (n-1)(n-2) \cdot x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+2} \cdot (n+2)(n+1) \cdot x^n - 6 \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1} \cdot x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} [a_{n-1} \cdot \{(n-1)(n-2) - 6\} + a_{n+2} \cdot (n+2)(n+1)] x^n \\ &\quad + 2a_2 + 6a_3x + 12a_4 \cdot x^2 - 6a_0x - 6a_1x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$x^0: 2a_2 = 0 \rightarrow a_2 = 0$$

Using the recurrence relation.

$$x^1: (6a_3 - 6a_0)x = 0 \rightarrow a_0 = a_3$$

$$y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \frac{1}{2}a_1x^4 - \frac{1}{12}a_1x^7 + \dots$$

$$x^2: (12a_4 - 6a_1)x^2 = 0 \rightarrow a_1 = 2a_4$$

$$= a_0(1 + x^3 + \dots) + a_1(x + \frac{1}{2}x^4 - \frac{1}{12}x^7 + \dots)$$

$$x^n, n \geq 3: a_{n-1} \cdot \{(n-1)(n-2) - 6\} + a_{n+2} \cdot (n+2)(n+1) = 0$$

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{6 - (n-1)(n-2)}{(n+1)(n+2)} \cdot a_{n-1}$$

(b)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+2} \cdot x^{n+2}}{a_{n+1} \cdot x^{n+1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{6 - (n-1)(n-2)}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right| \cdot |x^3|, \quad |x^3| < 1 \rightarrow \rho = 1.$$

When expanded by x_0 , the radius of convergence, ρ , is at least the distance from x_0 to the closest singular point.

The singular points for this ODE is when $x^3+1=0$, hence $(e^{i\pi/3})^3 = 1 \cdot e^{i \cdot (2\pi+2\pi n)}$ thus $r=1, \theta = \frac{\pi+2\pi n}{3}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Since $r=1$ all singular points are at distance 1 away from $x_0=0$.

Thus, it shows that $\rho \geq 1$.

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) Guess } y(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot x^n, \text{ then } (1+x^2)y'' + xy' - y = (1+x^2) \cdot \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot (n-1) \cdot x^{n-2} + x \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot x^{n-1} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot (n-1) \cdot x^{n-1} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot (n-1) \cdot x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+2} \cdot (n+2)(n+1) \cdot x^n + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n(n-1) \cdot x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cdot n \cdot x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \cdot x^n \\ &= 2a_2 + 6a_3x + a_1x - a_0 - a_1x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{n+2} \cdot (n+2)(n+1) \cdot x^n + (n+1)(n-1) a_n x^n \\ &= -a_0 + 2a_2 + 6a_3x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} x^n \cdot (n+1) \cdot \{(n+2)a_{n+2} + (n+1)a_n\} \end{aligned}$$

$$x^0: -a_0 + 2a_2 = 0, \quad x^1: 6a_2 = 0 \rightarrow a_2 = 0, \quad a_1 \text{ is arbitrary}, \quad x^n: a_{n+1} = -\frac{a_n(n-1)}{n(n-2)}$$

$$y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = a_0 + a_1 x + \frac{1}{2} a_0 x^2 + 0 \cdot x^3 + \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} a_0\right) x^4 + \dots = a_1 x + a_0 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} x^2 - \frac{1}{8} x^4 + \dots\right)$$

$$(b) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1} x^{n+1}}{a_n x^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(n-1)}{n(n-2)} \cdot x^2 \right| = |x^2| < 1 \Rightarrow -1 < x < 1, \quad \therefore \rho = 1$$

Similar to Q15-b, the singular points are when $x^2 + 1 = 0$, thus $x = \pm i$. $i, -i$ are both distance 1 from $x_0 = 0$, hence $\rho = 1$, which also agrees with our calculations above.

$$(c) y(0) = a_0 = 1, \quad y'(0) = a_1 = 0$$

$$\therefore y(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} x^2 - \frac{1}{8} x^4 + \dots$$