

6.2: solutions about ordinary points.

Solve 2nd order DE w/ power series.

ex1: $(x^2-4)y'' + 3xy' + y = 0$

→ $y = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3 + \dots$

$y' = c_1 + 2c_2x + 3c_3x^2 + 4c_4x^3 + \dots$

→ and $3xy' = 3c_1x + 3 \cdot 2c_2x^2 + 3 \cdot 3c_3x^3 + \dots$

$y'' = 1 \cdot 2c_2 + 2 \cdot 3c_3x + 3 \cdot 4c_4x^2$

→ $-4y'' = -4 \cdot 1 \cdot 2c_2 - 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 3c_3x - 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 4c_4x^2 - 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 5c_5x^3$

→ $x^2y'' = 1 \cdot 2c_2x^2 + 2 \cdot 3c_3x^3 + 3 \cdot 4c_4x^4$

ADD these.

so $(x^2-4)y'' + 3xy' + y = c_0 + 1 \cdot 8c_2 + (c_1 + 3c_1 - 24c_3)x +$

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [c_k + 3kc_k - 4(k+1)(k+2)c_{k+2} + (k-1)kc_k] x^k$$

$c_2 = \frac{1}{8}c_0$ and $c_3 = \frac{1}{6}c_1$

and $(k^2 + 2k + 1)c_k - 4(k+1)(k+2)c_{k+2} = 0$

⇒ $c_{k+2} = \frac{(k+1)^2 c_k}{4(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{k+1}{4(k+2)} c_k$

recurrence
relations.

Find the coefficients.

$$c_0$$

$$c_1$$

$$c_2 = \frac{1}{8} c_0$$

$$c_3 = \frac{1}{6} c_1$$

$$k=2 \quad c_4 = \frac{3}{+16} c_2 = + \frac{3}{128} c_0$$

$$c_5 = \frac{4}{+4(5)} c_3 = + \frac{1}{20} c_1$$

$$k=4 \quad c_6 = \frac{5}{+24} c_4 = \frac{5}{1024} c_0$$

$$c_6 = \frac{6}{+28} c_3 = \frac{1}{140} c_1$$

$$\text{so } y_1 = c_0 \left(1 + \frac{1}{8} x^2 + \frac{3}{128} x^4 + \frac{5}{1024} x^6 + \dots \right)$$

$$y_2 = c_1 \left(x + \frac{1}{6} x^3 + \frac{1}{36} x^5 + \frac{1}{140} x^7 + \dots \right)$$

How do we know if/when a power series soln to a linear DE exists?

If a linear DE is in standard form and the coefficients are all defined @ $x=x_0$ then we say x_0 is an ordinary pt. otherwise we call it a singular point.

Thm: If $x = x_0$ is an ordinary pt of $y'' + P(x)y' + Q(x)y = 0$, we can always find two L.I. soln. in the form of a power series centered @ x_0 .

$$y = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} c_N (x-x_0)^N$$

A power series converges at least on some interval $|x-x_0| < R$ where R is the dist. from x_0 to the closest singular pt.

The soln @

ex1 rev: $(x^2-4)y'' + 3xy' + y' = 0$ converges at least for $-2 < x < 2$.

ex2: solve $y'' - xy' - x^2y = 0$

$$y = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3 + \dots$$

$$x^2y = c_0x^2 + c_1x^3 + \dots$$

$$y' = 1c_1 + 2c_2x + 3c_3x^2 + 4c_4x^3 + \dots$$

$$xy' = 1c_1x + 2c_2x^2 + 3c_3x^3 + \dots$$

$$y'' = 1 \cdot 2c_2 + 2 \cdot 3c_3x + 3 \cdot 4c_4x^2 + 4 \cdot 5c_5x^3 + \dots$$

so $0 = y'' - xy' - x^2y = 2c_2 + (6c_3 - c_1)x +$

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} [(k+1)(k+2)c_{k+2} - kc_k - c_{k-2}] x^k$$

$\Rightarrow c_2 = 0$ and $c_3 = \frac{1}{6} c_1$.

the recurrence relation is $c_{k+2} = \frac{c_{k-2} + k c_k}{(k+1)(k+2)}$

c_0

c_1

$c_2 = 0$

$c_3 = \frac{1}{6} c_1$

$k=2$ $c_4 = \frac{c_0 + 2c_2}{3 \cdot 4}$

$c_5 = \frac{c_1 + 3c_3}{4 \cdot 5}$

$c_6 = \frac{c_2 + 4c_4}{5 \cdot 6}$

The simplest way to work with a 3 term recurrence relation is to consider cases,

Case 1: $c_0 \neq 0, c_1 = 0$

c_0

$c_1 = 0$

$c_2 = 0$

$c_3 = 0$

$c_4 = \frac{1}{12} c_0$

$c_5 = 0$

$c_6 = \frac{1}{90} c_0$

$c_7 = 0$

$c_8 = \frac{c_4 + 6c_6}{7 \cdot 8} = \frac{3}{1120} c_0$

Case 2: $c_0 = 0, c_1 \neq 0$

$c_0 = 0$

c_1

$c_2 = 0$

$c_3 = \frac{1}{6} c_1$

$c_4 = 0$

$c_5 = \frac{2}{40} c_1$

$c_6 = 0$

$c_7 = \frac{c_3 + 5c_5}{6 \cdot 7} = \frac{13}{1008}$

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So the two L.I. solns are:

$$y_1 = c_0 \left(1 + \frac{1}{12} x^4 + \frac{1}{90} x^6 + \frac{3}{1120} x^8 + \dots \right)$$

$$y_2 = c_1 \left(x + \frac{1}{6} x^3 + \frac{3}{40} x^5 + \frac{13}{1008} x^7 + \dots \right)$$