

Linear Equations of order 2

$$P_0(x)y'' + P_1(x)y' + P_2(x)y = 0$$

if $P_0(a) \neq 0$ at $x=a \Rightarrow x=a$ is an ordinary point then $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(x-a)^n$

and $y = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x)$

$$y_1(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n(x-a)^n$$

$$y_2(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n(x-a)^n$$

$y_1(x)$ and $y_2(x)$ are linearly independent & analytic at $x=a$

if $P_0(a) = 0 \Rightarrow x=a$ is a singular point

• a is a regular singular point if

$$\frac{P_1(x)}{P_0(x)}(x-a) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{P_2(x)}{P_0(x)}(x-a)^2 \quad \text{can be expanded in Power series about } x=a$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n(x-a)^n \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_n(x-a)^n$$

• a is an irregular singular point if cannot be expanded in series in terms of $x-a$

radius of Convergence is $|x|=a$

• Example

Regular singular point

$$(1+x)y'' + 2xy' - 3y = 0 \quad \text{at } x = -1$$

$$\frac{P_1}{P_0}(x+1) = 2x = 2(x+1) - 2$$

$$C_0 = -2, C_1 = 2, C_2, \dots, C_n = 0$$

$$\frac{P_2}{P_0}(x+1)^2 = -3(x+1)$$

$$D_0 = 0, D_1 = -3, D_2, \dots, D_n = 0$$

- FOR $x=a$ BEING AN IRREGULAR SINGULAR PT - A SOLUTION IN POWER series form may or may not exist.

- FOR REGULAR SINGULAR PTS USE METHOD OF FROBENIUS (ABOUT $x=0$)

- COEFF OF FIRST TERM IN POWER SERIES EXPANSION = INDICIAL EQN

- INDICIAL EQUATION GIVES m (FOR 2nd order m_1, m_2)

- IF $m_1 \neq m_2$ and $|m_1 - m_2|$ is not integer

$$\Rightarrow 2 \text{ DISTINCT SOLNS EACH OF FORM } x^m \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n x^n \right] \text{ and } x^m \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n x^n \right]$$

where A_n depends on m_1 & B_n depends on m_2

- IF $m_1 \neq m_2$ and $|m_1 - m_2|$ is an integer

- $\Rightarrow$ LARGER ROOT ALWAYS GIVES SOLN $m=m_1$

$m=m_2$ (2nd) can yield a soln
no solution or a general
soln

$$y_2(x) = A y_1(x) \ln x + \bar{y}_2(x)$$

$$y(x) = C_1 y_1(x) + C_2 y_2(x)$$

$$y_1 = x^{m_1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n x^n$$

$$\bar{y}_2 = x^{m_2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n x^n$$

- IF $m_1 = m_2$

$$y_2(x) = y_1(x) \ln x + \bar{y}(x)$$

$$y(x) = C_1 y_1(x) + C_2 y_2(x)$$

$$\bar{y} = x^{m_1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n x^n$$

- AN EASIER FORM IS IF you know $y_1(x)$

$$y_2(x) = \left. \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial m} \right|_{m=m_1}$$

- WHAT IF $Q \neq 0$

$$\text{let } t = x - a \Rightarrow x = a \quad t = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\quad) = \frac{d}{dt}(\quad) \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{d}{dt}(\quad)$$

- WHAT IF $Q = \infty$

$$\text{let } t = \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow x \rightarrow \infty \quad t \rightarrow 0$$

Regular Singular

Example

$$xy'' + y' - y = 0$$

$$\frac{P_1}{P_0} x = \frac{1}{x} \cdot x = 1$$

$$\frac{P_2}{P_0} \cdot x^2 = \frac{-1}{x} \cdot x^2 = -x$$

$$\text{let } y = x^m \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n x^n$$

$$y' = m x^{m-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n x^n + x^m \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n n x^{n-1}$$

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

$$xy'' + y' - y = m^2 A_0 x^{m-1} + [(m+1)^2 A_1 - A_0] x^m + [(m+2)^2 A_2 - A_1] x^{m+1} + \dots + [(m+n)^2 A_n - A_{n-1}] x^{m+n-1} + \dots = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A_n = \frac{A_{n-1}}{(m+n)^2} \quad n=1, \dots, \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow A_0 = 0 \text{ or } m=0 \text{ equal roots}$$

$$A_n = \frac{A_{n-1}}{(m+n)^2} = \frac{A_{n-2}}{(m+n)^2 (m+n-1)^2} = \dots = \frac{A_0}{[(m+n)(m+n-1) \dots (m+1)]^2}$$

$$\therefore y_1 = x^m A_0 \sum \left[1 + \frac{x}{(m+1)^2} + \frac{x^2}{(m+1)^2 (m+2)^2} + \dots \right] = x^m \bar{y}_1$$

$$\text{for } m=0 \quad y_1 = x^m A_0 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{(n!)^2} = x \bar{y}_1$$

$$y_2 = \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial m} = x^m \ln x \bar{y}_1 + x^m A_0 \sum \left[\frac{-2x}{(m+1)^3} - \left\{ \frac{2}{(m+1)(m+2)^2} + \frac{2}{(m+1)^2(m+2)} \right\} x + \dots \right]$$

$$\text{@ } m=0 \quad y_2 = \bar{y}_1 \ln x + A_0 \sum \left[\frac{-2x}{1} - \left[\frac{2}{4} + \frac{2}{8} \right] x^2 - \left[\frac{2}{6^3} + \frac{2}{12^2} + \frac{2}{8^2} \right] x^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \bar{y}_1 \ln x + 2A_0 \left[x + \frac{1}{2!} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) x^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \right) x^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$y = C_1 y_1(x) + C_2 y_2(x)$$

- Find a soln to $y'' = xy$ about $x=1$ ordinary
- if x & x^2 are solns to a differential eqn ~~what~~ how can we define the d.e. about $x=0$ what about $x=\infty$
what is the radius of convergence
- How can you classify $2(x-2)^2 xy'' + 3xy' + (x-2)y = 0$