

Homework 4 Solution

1.a Given $x^2y'' - 2xy' + (2x - 3)y = 0$, $x = 0$ is a regular singular point.

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r}$$

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

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

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (n+r)(n+r-1) x^{n+r} - 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (n+r) x^{n+r} + (2x-3) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r} = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n ((n+r)^2 - 3(n+r) - 3) x^{n+r} + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r+1} = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n ((n+r)^2 - 3(n+r) - 3) x^{n+r} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1} x^{n+r} = 0$$

so the indicial equation is $r^2 - 3r - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow r_1 = \frac{3+\sqrt{21}}{2}, r_2 = \frac{3-\sqrt{21}}{2}$ and $r_1 - r_2 \neq \text{integer}$

For $r_1 = \frac{3+\sqrt{21}}{2}, a_n = -\frac{2a_{n-1}}{n^2 + \sqrt{21}n}, y_1 = x^{r_1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$

For $r_2 = \frac{3-\sqrt{21}}{2}, b_n = -\frac{2b_{n-1}}{n^2 - \sqrt{21}n}, y_2 = x^{r_2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n$

$$y = C_1 a_0 x^{\frac{3+\sqrt{21}}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{2x}{1+\sqrt{21}} + \frac{2^2 x^2}{(2^2 + 2\sqrt{21})(1+\sqrt{21})} - \dots \right) +$$

$$C_2 b_0 x^{\frac{3-\sqrt{21}}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{2x}{1-\sqrt{21}} + \frac{2^2 x^2}{(2^2 - 2\sqrt{21})(1-\sqrt{21})} - \dots \right)$$

$\because y(0) < \infty \Rightarrow C_2 = 0$

$\because y(1) = 1 \Rightarrow C_1 a_0 = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{2}{1+\sqrt{21}} + \frac{2^2}{(2^2 + 2\sqrt{21})(1+\sqrt{21})} - \dots} \Rightarrow y = x^{\frac{3+\sqrt{21}}{2}} \frac{1 - \frac{2x}{1+\sqrt{21}} + \frac{2^2 x^2}{(2^2 + 2\sqrt{21})(1+\sqrt{21})} - \dots}{1 - \frac{2}{1+\sqrt{21}} + \frac{2^2}{(2^2 + 2\sqrt{21})(1+\sqrt{21})} - \dots}$

1.b Given $xy'' + 2y' + x^2y = 0$, $x = 0$ is a regular singular point.

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$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(n+r)(n+r-1)x^{n+r-1} + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(n+r)x^{n+r-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r+2} &= 0 \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n((n+r)^2 + (n+r))x^{n+r-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r+2} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0(r^2+r)x^{r-1} + a_1((r+1)^2 + (r+1))x^r + a_2((r+2)^2 + (r+2))x^{r+1} + \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_{n+3}((n+r+3)^2 + (n+r+3)) + a_n)x^{n+r+2} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow r = 0$. $y'(0) < \infty \Rightarrow a_1 < \infty$

$\therefore a_0 \neq 0, a_1 = a_2 = 0, r_1 = r_2 = 0, a_{n+3} = -\frac{a_n}{(n+3)^2 + (n+3)}$ for $n \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= a_0 \left(1 - \frac{x^3}{3^2+3} + \frac{x^6}{(6^2+6)(3^2+3)} - \dots \right) \\ y_2 &= y_1 \ln x + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n x^n \end{aligned}$$

$$y = C_1 y_1 + C_2 y_2 \text{ and } y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow C_1 a_0 = 1, C_2 = 0 \Rightarrow y = 1 - \frac{x^3}{3^2+3} + \frac{x^6}{(6^2+6)(3^2+3)} - \dots$$

5. Given $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \sin x = 0$ with $x(0) = \epsilon$, $\frac{dx}{dt}(0) = 0$. Looking solutions valid all of the time, let $t = (1 + c_1\epsilon + c_2\epsilon^2 + \dots)\tau$, so

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= \frac{dx}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} = \frac{dx}{d\tau} \left(\frac{dt}{d\tau} \right)^{-1} = \frac{dx}{d\tau} (1 + c_1\epsilon + c_2\epsilon^2 + \dots)^{-1} \\ \ddot{x} &= \frac{d^2x}{d\tau^2} (1 - 2c_1\epsilon + (3c_1^2 - 2c_2)\epsilon^2 + \dots) \\ x &= x_0(t) + \epsilon x_1(t) + \epsilon^2 x_2(t) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

, and

$$\begin{aligned} \sin x &= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots \\ &= (x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 + O(\epsilon^2)) - \frac{1}{3!}(x_0^3 + 3\epsilon x_0^2 x_1 + 3\epsilon^2(x_0 x_1^2 + x_0^2 x_2) + O(\epsilon^2)) + \frac{1}{5!}(x_0^5 + 5\epsilon x_0^4 x_1 + \\ &10\epsilon^2 x_0^3 x_1^2 + 5\epsilon^2 x_0^4 x_2 + O(\epsilon^2)) - \frac{1}{7!}(x_0^7 + 7\epsilon x_0^6 x_1 + 21\epsilon^2 x_0^5 x_1^2 + 7\epsilon^2 x_0^6 x_2 + O(\epsilon^2)) + \dots \\ &= (x_0 - \frac{x_0^3}{3!} + \frac{x_0^5}{5!} - \frac{x_0^7}{7!} + \dots) + \epsilon(x_1 - \frac{x_0^2 x_1}{2} + \frac{x_0^4 x_1}{4!} - \frac{x_0^6 x_1}{6!} + \dots) + \epsilon^2(x_2 - \frac{x_0 x_1^2 + x_0^2 x_2}{2} + \\ &\frac{2x_0^3 x_1^2 + x_0^4 x_2}{4!} - \frac{3x_0^5 x_1^2 + x_0^6 x_2}{6!} + \dots) + O(\epsilon^2) \\ &= \sin x_0 + \epsilon x_1 \cos x_0 + \epsilon^2 \left(x_2 \cos x_0 - \frac{x_1^2}{2} \sinh x_0 \right) + O(\epsilon^2), \text{ so} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{d^2x_0}{d\tau^2} + \epsilon \frac{d^2x_1}{d\tau^2} + \epsilon^2 \frac{d^2x_2}{d\tau^2} + \dots \right) (1 - 2c_1\epsilon + (3c_1^2 - 2c_2)\epsilon^2 + \dots) \\ + \sin x_0 + \epsilon x_1 \cos x_0 + \epsilon^2 \left(x_2 \cos x_0 - \frac{x_1^2}{2} \sinh x_0 \right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} O(\epsilon^0) : \ddot{x}_0 + \sin x_0 = 0, x_0(0) = 0, \dot{x}_0(0) = 0 &\Rightarrow x_0(\tau) = 0 \\ O(\epsilon^1) : \ddot{x}_1 - 2c_1\ddot{x}_0 + x_1 \cos x_0 = 0, x_1(0) = 1, \dot{x}_1(0) = 0 &\Rightarrow x_1(\tau) = \cos \tau \\ O(\epsilon^2) : \ddot{x}_2 - 2c_1\ddot{x}_1 + (3c_1^2 - 2c_2)\ddot{x}_0 + x_2 \cos x_0 - \frac{x_1^2}{2} \sinh x_0 = 0, x_2(0) = 0, \dot{x}_2(0) = 0 &\Rightarrow x_2 = -c_1\tau \sin \tau \end{aligned}$$

and $\tau = (1 + c_1\epsilon + \dots)^{-1}t$, so

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= x_0 + \epsilon x_1 + \epsilon^2 x_2 \\ &= \epsilon \cos((1 + c_1\epsilon + \dots)^{-1}t) - \epsilon^2 c_1 (1 + c_1\epsilon + \dots)^{-1}t \sin((1 + c_1\epsilon + \dots)^{-1}t) \end{aligned}$$

13. Given $\dot{x} + 2x + \epsilon x^2 = 0$ with $x(0) = \cosh \epsilon$. Let $x(t) = x_0(t) + \epsilon x_1(t) + \epsilon^2 x_2(t) + \dots$, then $\cosh \epsilon = 1 + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2!} + \frac{\epsilon^4}{4!} + \dots$, so

$$\begin{aligned} O(\epsilon^0) : \dot{x}_0 + 2x_0 &= 0, x_0(0) = 1 & \Rightarrow x_0 &= e^{-2t} \\ O(\epsilon^1) : \dot{x}_1 + 2x_1 + x_0^2 &= 0, x_1(0) = 0 & \Rightarrow x_1 &= \frac{1}{2}(e^{-4t} - e^{-2t}) \\ O(\epsilon^2) : \dot{x}_2 + 2x_2 + 2x_0x_1 &= 0, x_2(0) = \frac{1}{2} & \Rightarrow x_2 &= \frac{1}{4}e^{-6t} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-4t} + \frac{3}{4}e^{-2t} \end{aligned}$$

- ◇. Given $\ddot{x} - t\dot{x} - x = 0$ with $x(0) = 1, \dot{x}(0) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n t^n = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_3 t^3 + a_4 t^4 + a_5 t^5 + a_6 t^6 + a_7 t^7 + \dots \\ x' &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n t^{n-1} = a_1 + 2a_2 t + 3a_3 t^2 + 4a_4 t^3 + 5a_5 t^4 + 6a_6 t^5 + 7a_7 t^6 + \dots \\ x'' &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n n(n-1) t^{n-2} = 2a_2 + 6a_3 t + 12a_4 t^2 + 20a_5 t^3 + 30a_6 t^4 + 42a_7 t^5 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2a_2 - a_0 &= 0 & 6a_3 - 2a_1 &= 0 \\ 12a_4 - 3a_2 &= 0 & 20a_5 - 4a_3 &= 0 \\ 30a_6 - 5a_4 &= 0 & 42a_7 - 6a_6 &= 0 \\ & \dots & & \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = a_0 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}t^2 + \frac{1}{8}t^4 + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3!}t^6 + \dots \right) + a_1 t \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}t^2 + \frac{1}{15}t^4 + \dots \right)$$

$$x(0) = 1 \Rightarrow a_0 = 1$$

$$x'(0) = 0 = a_0 \left(t + \frac{1}{2}t^3 + \dots \right) + a_1 \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}t^2 + \frac{1}{15}t^4 + \dots \right) + a_1 t \left(\frac{2}{3}t + \frac{4}{15}t^3 + \dots \right) \Rightarrow a_1 = 0$$

$$x = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}t^2 + \frac{1}{8}t^4 + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3!}t^6 + \dots \right) = \sum_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n n!} t^{2n}$$