

AMATH 351 Homework 7

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Section 5.1

3.

Determine the radius of convergence.

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

For the series to be convergent,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\frac{x^{2(n+1)}}{(n+1)!}}{\frac{x^{2n}}{n!}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{x^2}{n+1} \right| = 0$$

As indicated above, the ratio goes to 0 for all the finite values of x , so the radius of convergence is ∞ . ■

9.

$$\begin{aligned}\sin x &= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}\end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^{n+1} x^{2n+3}}{(2n+3)!} \times \frac{(2n+1)!}{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| -\frac{x^2}{(2n+3)(2n+2)} \right| = 0$$

for all the finite values of x , the radius of convergence is ∞ . ■

13.

$$\begin{aligned}\ln x &= \ln(1+x-1) \\ &= (x-1) - \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^3}{3} - \frac{(x-1)^4}{4} + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{(x-1)^n}{n}\end{aligned}$$

By ratio test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| (-1)^{n+2} \frac{(x-1)^{n+1}}{n+1} \times (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n}{(x-1)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| -\frac{n}{n+1} (x-1) \right| = |x-1| < 1$$

So radius of convergence is 1. ■

Section 5.2

4.

$$y'' + k^2 x^2 y = 0, \quad x_0 = 0, \quad k \text{ a constant}$$

Since $x_0 = 0$ is a regular point of the differential equation, we assume

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

Substitue into the DE, we get

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

Shift the index for the both of the series, we get

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

The recurrence relation is $(n+2)(n+1)a_{n+2} + k^2 a_{n-2} = 0 \quad n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$

- for constant term, $2 \cdot 1 \cdot a_2 = 0$;
- for x , $3 \cdot 2 \cdot a_3 = 0$;
- for x^2 , $4 \cdot 3 \cdot a_4 + k^2 a_0 = 0 \Rightarrow a_4 = -\frac{k^2}{4 \cdot 3} a_0$;
- for x^3 , $5 \cdot 4 \cdot a_5 + k^2 a_1 = 0 \Rightarrow a_5 = -\frac{k^2}{5 \cdot 4} a_1$;
- ...

So we get the general formula:

$$a_{4n+2} = a_{4n+3} = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$a_{4n} = (-1)^n \frac{k^{2n}}{(4n)(4n-1)(4n-4)(4n-5) \dots 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 4 \cdot 3} a_0, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$a_{4n+1} = (-1)^n \frac{k^{2n}}{(4n+1)(4n)(4n-3)(4n-4) \dots 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 5 \cdot 4} a_1, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Plug them into the fomal form of solution, we get

$$y = a_0 \left[1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{k^{2n}}{(4n)(4n-1)(4n-4)(4n-5) \dots 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 4 \cdot 3} x^{4n} \right] + a_1 \left[x + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{k^{2n}}{(4n+1)(4n)(4n-3)(4n-4) \dots 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 5 \cdot 4} x^{4n+1} \right]$$

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12.

$$(1-x)y'' + xy' - y = 0, \quad x_0 = 0$$

Since $x_0 = 0$ is a regular point to the DE, we guess the form of solution is

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

Substitute them in the DE,

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

Shift the index for the first two series, we get

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

So the recurrence relation is

$$\begin{aligned}
2 \cdot 1 \cdot a_2 - a_0 &= 0; \\
(n+2)(n+1) a_{n+2} - (n+1) n a_{n+1} + (n-1) a_n &= 0. \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots
\end{aligned}$$

Then the first few terms are

- $a_2 = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1} a_0$;
- $3 \cdot 2 \cdot a_3 - 2 \cdot 1 \cdot a_2 + 0 \cdot a_1 = 0 \Rightarrow a_3 = \frac{1}{3} a_2 = \frac{1}{6} a_0$;
- $4 \cdot 3 \cdot a_4 - 3 \cdot 2 \cdot a_3 + 1 \cdot a_2 = 0 \Rightarrow a_4 = \frac{a_0}{24}$;
- $5 \cdot 4 \cdot a_5 - 4 \cdot 3 \cdot a_4 + 2 \cdot a_3 = 0 \Rightarrow a_5 = \frac{3}{5} a_4 - \frac{1}{10} a_3 = \frac{a_0}{120}$;
- ...

So the general solution is

$$y = a_0 \left[1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \frac{x^5}{120} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots \right] + a_1 x$$

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Section 5.4

6. Bessel equation

$$x^2 y'' + xy' + (x^2 - \nu^2) y = 0$$

Obviously, $x = 0$ is a singular point of the DE. Now let's check if it's regular singular point or not,

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{x^2} \times x &= 1 \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - \nu^2}{x^2} \times x^2 &= -\nu^2\end{aligned}$$

Both of the limits are finite, so $x = 0$ is a regular singular point.

Section 5.5

10.

$$(x - 2)^2 y'' + 5(x - 2) y' + 8y = 0$$

Make a substitution $t = x - 2$, then the DE becomes

$$t^2 y'' + 5ty' + 8y = 0$$

This is an Euler equation

$$\begin{aligned}r(r - 1) + 5r + 8 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow r^2 + 4r + 8 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow r_{1,2} &= -2 \pm 2i\end{aligned}$$

So the general solution valid in any interval not including $x = 0$ is

$$y = |x|^{-2} [c_1 \cos(2 \ln |x|) + c_2 \sin(2 \ln |x|)]$$

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Section 5.6

6.

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

First check that $x = 0$ is a regular singular point. (proof omitted)

We assume the solution's form to be

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

Plug them into the DE, we get

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

Change the index for the third series, we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+\rho+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1} x^{n+\rho}$$

For $n = 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
a_0 \rho (\rho - 1) + a_0 \rho - 2a_0 &= 0 \\
\text{i.e. } \rho^2 - 2 &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow \rho &= \pm\sqrt{2}
\end{aligned}$$

From the DE we get the recurrence relation

$$\begin{aligned}
(n+\rho)(n+\rho-1)a_n + (n+\rho)a_n + a_{n-1} - 2a_n &= 0 \\
\text{i.e. } (n^2 + 2\rho n + \rho^2 - 2)a_n + a_{n-1} &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

For $\rho = \sqrt{2}$, the recurrence relation is

$$n(n + 2\sqrt{2})a_n + a_{n-1} = 0, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
a_1 &= -\frac{a_0}{1 \cdot (1 + 2\sqrt{2})}, \\
a_2 &= \frac{a_0}{2 \cdot (2 + 2\sqrt{2}) \cdot 1 \cdot (1 + 2\sqrt{2})} \\
&\dots \\
a_n &= (-1)^n \frac{a_0}{n! (n + 2\sqrt{2}) (n - 1 + 2\sqrt{2}) \cdots (1 + 2\sqrt{2})}
\end{aligned}$$

Then one solution is

$$y = x^{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{x^{1+\sqrt{2}}}{1 \cdot (1+2\sqrt{2})} + \frac{x^{2+\sqrt{2}}}{2! (2+2\sqrt{2}) (1+2\sqrt{2})} + \dots$$

$$+ (-1)^n \frac{x^{n+\sqrt{2}}}{n! (n+2\sqrt{2}) (n-1+2\sqrt{2}) \dots (1+2\sqrt{2})} + \dots$$

For $\rho = -\sqrt{2}$, the recurrence relation is

$$n(n-2\sqrt{2})a_n + a_{n-1} = 0, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Then

$$a_1 = -\frac{a_0}{1 \cdot (1-2\sqrt{2})},$$

$$a_2 = \frac{a_0}{2 \cdot (2-2\sqrt{2}) \cdot 1 \cdot (1-2\sqrt{2})}$$

$$\dots$$

$$a_n = (-1)^n \frac{a_0}{n! (n-2\sqrt{2}) (n-1-2\sqrt{2}) \dots (1-2\sqrt{2})}$$

Then the other solution corresponding to $\rho = -\sqrt{2}$ is

$$y = x^{-\sqrt{2}} - \frac{x^{1-\sqrt{2}}}{1 \cdot (1-2\sqrt{2})} + \frac{x^{2-\sqrt{2}}}{2! (2-2\sqrt{2}) (1-2\sqrt{2})} + \dots$$

$$+ (-1)^n \frac{x^{n-\sqrt{2}}}{n! (n-2\sqrt{2}) (n-1-2\sqrt{2}) \dots (1-2\sqrt{2})} + \dots$$

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Section 5.7

7.

$$x^2 y'' + \frac{1}{2}(x + \sin x) y' + y = 0$$

$x = 0$ is a singular point, let's check if it's RSP.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{x + \sin x}{x^2} \times x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sin x}{2x} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^2} \times x^2 = 1$$

So it is a RSP.

So the indicial equation is

$$r(r-1) + r + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow r^2 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow r = \pm i$$

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