

### 3.5.4 Lin Non-Homogeneous Non-Cons Coeff

- ▶ Its not easy to get a closed form solution of linear non-homogeneous non-constant coefficients.
- ▶ If we know a solution then using reduction order method we may find other solutions.
- ▶ If we know the solution of homogeneous system then using variation of constants method we may find other solutions.
- ▶ This type of equations may solve through power series solutions.

### 3.5.5 The Cauchy-Euler's Equation of Order $n$

▶ Cauchy-Euler differential equation of order  $n$  is  $a_n x^n \frac{d^n y}{dx^n} + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y}{dx^{n-1}} + \dots + a_2 x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + a_1 x \frac{dy}{dx} + a_0 y = b(x)$ .

▶ We use the transformation  $z = \ln(x) \Rightarrow x = e^z$  to solve Cauchy-Euler's Equation.

▶  $z = \ln(x)$ ,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dz} \frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \frac{dy}{dz} \Rightarrow \boxed{x \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dz}}$ ,  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{x} \frac{dy}{dz} \right) = -\frac{1}{x^2} \frac{dy}{dz} + \frac{1}{x} \frac{d^2 y}{dz^2} \frac{dz}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x^2} \frac{dy}{dz} + \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{d^2 y}{dz^2} \Rightarrow x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d^2 y}{dz^2} - \frac{dy}{dz}$  i.e.  $\boxed{x^2 D^2 y = D_1(D_1 - 1)y}$ , where  $D \equiv \frac{d}{dx}$ ,  $D_1 \equiv \frac{d}{dz}$ .

▶ In a similar way,  $\boxed{x^3 D^3 y = D_1(D_1 - 1)(D_1 - 2)y}$ ,  $\boxed{x^4 D^4 y = D_1(D_1 - 1)(D_1 - 2)(D_1 - 3)y}$  so on.

**Example 3.14.** Solve the Ode:  $x^2 y'' - 2xy' + 3y = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  It is a Cauchy-Euler's Equation of Order 2.

Let  $z = \ln(x) \Rightarrow x \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dz}$ ,  $x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d^2 y}{dz^2} - \frac{dy}{dz}$ .

So the given equation transforms to  $\frac{d^2 y}{dz^2} - \frac{dy}{dz} - 2 \frac{dy}{dz} + 3y = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 y}{dz^2} - 3 \frac{dy}{dz} + 3y = 0$ .

Let  $y = e^{mz}$  be a trial solution of the equation.

So the auxiliary equation is:  $m^2 - 3m + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow m = \frac{3 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ .

Therefore the general solution is  $y = e^{3z/2} [c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3}z}{2} + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3}z}{2}]$  i.e.  $y = x^{3/2} [c_1 \cos \frac{\sqrt{3} \ln(x)}{2} + c_2 \sin \frac{\sqrt{3} \ln(x)}{2}]$ , where  $c_1, c_2$  are arbitrary constants.

**[Do It Yourself] 3.71.** Find the general solution of:  $4x^2 y'' - 4xy' + 3y = 0$ ,  $x^3 y''' - x^2 y'' - 6xy' + 18y = 0$ ,  $x^4 y^{(iv)} - 4x^2 y'' + 8xy' - 8y = 0$ ,  $x^2 y'' - 4xy' + 6y = 4x - 6$ ,  $x^2 y'' - 5xy' + 8y = 2x^3$ ,  $x^2 y'' + 4xy' + 2y = 4 \ln(x)$ .

## 3.6 Series Solution of Linear Ode

Consider the second-order homogeneous linear DE  $\boxed{a_0(x)y'' + a_1(x)y' + a_2(x)y = 0}$ , and suppose that this equation has no solution that is expressible as a finite linear combination of known elementary functions. Let us assume that it has a solution in the form of an infinite series.

We assume that it has a solution expressible in the form

$$c_0 + c_1(x - x_0) + c_2(x - x_0)^2 + \cdots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x - x_0)^n$$

$c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots$  are constants. The above expression is called a power series in  $(x - x_0)$  and the differential equation has a power series solution.

- ▶ The equation  $a_0(x)y'' + a_1(x)y' + a_2(x)y = 0$  can be written as  $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$ .
- ▶ We will study the conditions under which the differential equation has a series solution. For this we will go through some ideas first.

### 3.6.1 Ordinary & Singular Point

- ▶ Analytic at a point: A function  $f(x)$  is analytic at  $x = x_0$  if its Taylor series

$$\sum \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!}(x - x_0)^n \text{ exists and converges to } f(x).$$

- ▶ Example:  $e^x$ , *polynomials*,  $\sin(x)$ ,  $\cos(x)$ ,  $\sinh(x)$  are analytic everywhere, rational function are analytic everywhere except the points where denominator is zero i.e.  $\frac{1}{(x-1)(x-2)}$  is analytic everywhere except  $x = 1, 2$ .

- ▶ Ordinary Point: For an ode:  $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$ , a point  $x = x_0$  is an ordinary point  $\Rightarrow p, q$  are analytic at  $x = x_0$ . If the point is not ordinary then it is a singular point.

- ▶ Singular point mainly two types : Regular and Irregular.

- ▶ A point  $x = x_0$  is a regular point if  $(x - x_0)p(x)$ ,  $(x - x_0)^2q(x)$  are analytic. Otherwise it is called an irregular point.

- ▶ Regular singular points at infinity: Put  $t = 1/x$  and check singularity at  $t = 0$ . Here  $x = 1/t \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{dt}{dx} = -t^2 \frac{dy}{dt}$  and so on.

**Example 3.15.** Consider the Ode's:  $y'' + (x+1)y' + (x^2 - 3x + 4)y = 0$ ,  $(x-3)y'' + x^2y' + \frac{1}{x}y = 0$ ,  $(x^2 - 1)y'' + 3xy' + (x+1)y = 0$ , Bessel Equation :  $x^2y'' + xy' + (x^2 - n^2)y = 0$ . Discuss the analytic properties of  $p(x), q(x)$ .

$\Rightarrow p(x) = x + 1$ ,  $q(x) = x^2 - 3x + 4$ . Both of the functions  $p, q$  are polynomial functions and so they are analytic everywhere. Thus all points are ordinary points of this differential equation.

□  $p(x) = \frac{x^2}{x-3}$ ,  $q(x) = \frac{1}{x(x-3)}$ . Here  $x = 0, 3$  are singular points (regular) of the Ode.

□  $p(x) = \frac{3x}{x^2-1}$ ,  $q(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$ . Here  $x = -1, 1$  are singular points (regular) of the Ode.

Note that:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x-1)p(x) = \text{finite}$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} (x-1)^2q(x) = \text{finite}$ .

□  $p(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $q(x) = \frac{x^2 - n^2}{x^2}$ . Here  $x = 0$  is a singular point (regular) of the Ode.

[Do It Yourself] 3.72. Discuss the singularities of the Ode:  $x^2(1-x^2)y'' + \frac{2}{x}y' + 3y = 0$ .

[Do It Yourself] 3.73. Discuss the regular singular points of the Ode:  $x^2y'' + 2xy' + 3y = 0$ . [Ans :  $0, \infty$ ]

[Do It Yourself] 3.74. Show that infinity is not a regular singular point for the Bessel equation:  $x^2y'' + xy' + (x^2 - n^2)y = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** Suppose  $x_0$  is an ordinary point of the differential equation  $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$  then it has two nontrivial linearly independent power series solutions of the form  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x - x_0)^n$  with  $|x - x_0| < R$ . [We are not going to detail in the convergence of the series].

■ Note that:  $(x - 3)y'' + x^2y' + \frac{1}{x}y = 0$  has singular points  $x = 0, 3$ . Therefore it has two linearly independent solutions of the form  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x - x_0)^n$  about any point except  $x_0 = 0, 3$  i.e. we can't assure that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$  or,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x - 3)^n$  are solutions of the Ode.

**Example 3.16.** Find a power series solution of the IVP:  $(1 - x^2)y'' + xy' - y = 0$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = 1$ .

$\Rightarrow$  We first observe that all points except  $x = \pm 1$  are ordinary points for the ode. Thus we could assume solutions of the form  $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x - x_0)^n$  for any  $x_0 \neq \pm 1$ . Here  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = 1$ , we will choose the solutions in the form  $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(x - 0)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ .  
 $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ ,  $y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n c_n x^{n-1}$ ,  $y'' = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) c_n x^{n-2}$ .

So,  $(1 - x^2)y'' + xy' - y = 0 \Rightarrow (1 - x^2) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) c_n x^{n-2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n c_n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) c_n x^{n-2} - \underbrace{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) c_n x^n}_{\text{}} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n c_n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) c_n x^{n-2} - \underbrace{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) c_n x^n}_{\text{}} + c_1 x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n c_n x^n - c_0 - c_1 x - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_n x^n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) c_{n+2} x^n}_{\text{}} + c_1 x - c_0 - c_1 x - \underbrace{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n(n-1) c_n - n c_n + c_n] x^n}_{\text{}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2c_2 + 6c_3 x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+2)(n+1) c_{n+2} x^n - c_0 - \underbrace{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n^2 - 2n + 1] c_n x^n}_{\text{}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -c_0 + 2c_2 + 6c_3 x + \underbrace{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [(n^2 + 2n + 2) c_{n+2} - (n^2 - 2n + 1) c_n] x^n}_{\text{}} = 0$$

Equating each term both sides we get,

$$-c_0 + 2c_2 = 0, \quad 6c_3 = 0, \quad (n^2 + 2n + 2) c_{n+2} - (n^2 - 2n + 1) c_n = 0.$$

$$c_0 = 2c_2, \quad c_3 = 0, \quad c_{n+2} = \frac{n^2 - 2n + 1}{n^2 + 3n + 2} c_n.$$

Now,  $c_3 = c_5 = c_7 = \dots = 0$  and  $c_4 = \frac{1}{12} c_2$ ,  $c_6 = \frac{3}{10} c_4$ ,  $c_8 = \frac{25}{56} c_6$  so on.

So the solution is:  $y = c_0 + c_1 x + \frac{c_0}{2} x^2 + \frac{c_0}{24} x^4 + \frac{3c_0}{240} x^6 + \dots$

Now given  $y(0) = 1 \Rightarrow c_0 = 1$  and  $y'(0) = 1 \Rightarrow c_1 = 1$ .

So the solution is:  $y = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2} x^2 + \frac{1}{24} x^4 + \frac{3}{240} x^6 + \dots$

★ Note:  $c_0 = 2c_2$ ,  $c_3 = 0$ ,  $c_{n+2} = \frac{n^2 - 2n + 1}{n^2 + 3n + 2}c_n$ .

Now for two linearly independent solutions (here initial conditions are not given), we can choose the first two terms of the series. The easiest choices are  $c_0 = 0, c_1 = 1$  and  $c_0 = 1, c_1 = 0$ . If any difficulties arise then  $c_0 = 1, c_1 = 1$  and  $c_0 = 1, c_1 = 0$ .

Using the first pair we get the solution:  $y = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \frac{3}{240}x^6 + \dots$  Using the second pair we get the solution:  $y = 1 + \frac{1}{24}x^4 + \frac{3}{240}x^6 + \dots$

**[Do It Yourself] 3.76.** Find by power series methods a particular solution of  $y''' + \frac{1}{x}y' - \frac{1}{x^2}y = 0$ ,  $y(1) = 1$ ,  $y'(1) = 0$ ,  $y''(1) = 1$  and  $y'' + (\sin x)y' + e^x y = 0$ .

[Ans:  $y = 1 + \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^3}{6} - \frac{(x-1)^4}{8} + \frac{(x-1)^5}{15} + \dots$ , [Hint: Put  $z = x - 1$  and solve],  $y = a_0(1 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{6}x^3 - \frac{1}{12}x^4 + \dots) + a_1(x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{1}{12}x^4 + \dots)$ ]