

[12] 1.) Find the largest eigenvalue and its corresponding eigenvectors for $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 5-r & 2 \\ 3 & 0-r \end{vmatrix} = (5-r)(-r) - 6 = r^2 - 5r - 6 = (r+1)(r-6). \text{ Thus } r = -1, 6$$

$$\text{For } r = 6: \begin{bmatrix} 5-r & 2 \\ 3 & 0-r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5-6 & 2 \\ 3 & 0-6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 3 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer: The largest eigenvalue of the above matrix is 6

and its eigenvectors are all non-zero multiples of the vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

[8] 2.) Find all the singular points of the following differential equation and determine whether each one is regular or irregular.

$$x^3(x-3)y'' - 6xy' + 9xy = 0$$

$$1y'' - \frac{6}{x^2(x-3)}y' + \frac{9}{x^2(x-3)}y = 0. \text{ Thus } x = 0, 3 \text{ are singular points.}$$

$$\text{Euler equation: } x^2y'' + \alpha xy' + \beta y = 0.$$

$$\text{Multiply by } x^2: x^2y'' - \left(\frac{6}{x(x-3)}\right)xy' + \left(\frac{9}{(x-3)}\right)y = 0. \text{ Thus } x = 0 \text{ is an irregular singular point.}$$

$$\text{Multiply by } (x-3)^2: (x-3)^2y'' - \left(\frac{6}{x^2}\right)(x-3)y' + \left(\frac{9(x-3)}{x^2}\right)y = 0. \text{ Thus } x = 3 \text{ is an regular singular point.}$$

$$\text{Alternately: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \left(\frac{6}{x^2(x-3)}\right) \text{ is not finite. Thus } x = 0 \text{ is an irregular singular point.}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x-3) \left(\frac{6}{x^2(x-3)}\right) \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x-3)^2 \left(\frac{9}{x^2(x-3)}\right) \text{ are finite. Thus } x = 3 \text{ is an regular singular point.}$$

[20] 3.) Solve

$$y'' - 6y' + 9y = \frac{e^{3t}}{t}$$

Solve homogeneous equation: $y'' - 6y' + 9y = 0$.

Guess $y = e^{rt}$. Then $y' = re^{rt}$ and $y'' = r^2e^{rt}$

$$r^2 - 6r + 9 = (r-3)^2 = 0. \text{ Thus } r = 3$$

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n u^{n+1}$$

$$\text{Let } u = x-3$$

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n u^{n+1}$$

Special Case: Euler's Equation

General Case

Solution Procedure

If $p_n = 0$ and $q_n = 0$ for $n \geq 1$ then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= x^2y'' + x[p_0 + p_1x + p_2x^2 + \dots]y \\ &\quad + [q_0 + q_1x + q_2x^2 + \dots]y \\ &= x^2y'' + p_0xy' + q_0y \end{aligned}$$

which is Euler's equation.

When $p_n \neq 0$ and/or $q_n \neq 0$ for some $n > 0$ then we will assume the solution to

$$x^2y'' + xp(x)y' + [x^2q(x)]y = 0$$

has the form

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

an Euler solution multiplied by a power series.

Guess

Assume $a_0 \neq 0$

- Assuming $y(x) = x^r \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ we must determine:
1. the values of r ,
 2. a recurrence relation for a_n ,
 3. the radius of convergence of $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$.

regular singular point

irregular singular point

Example (1 of 8)

$$y'' + \frac{2}{4x}y' + \frac{1}{4x}y = 0$$

Example (2 of 8)

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= 4xy'' + 2y' + y \\ &= 4x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (r+n)(r+n-1)a_n x^{r+n-2} + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (r+n)a_n x^{r+n-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 4(r+n)(r+n-1)a_n x^{r+n-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2(r+n)a_n x^{r+n} \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [4(r+n)(r+n-1) + 2(r+n)]a_n x^{r+n-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Consider the following ODE for which $x = 0$ is a regular singular point.

$$4xy'' + 2y' + y = 0$$

Assuming $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n}$ is a solution, determine the values of r and a_n for $n \geq 0$.

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

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \left(\frac{2}{4x} \right) &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \left(\frac{1}{4x} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{4} = \text{regular singular point} \end{aligned}$$

Example (3 of 8)

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [4(r+n)(r+n-1) + 2(r+n-1)]a_n x^{r+n-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2a_n(r+n)(2r+2n-1)x^{r+n-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2a_n(r+n)(2r+2n-1)x^{r+n-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example (4 of 8)

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2a_n(r+n)(2r+2n-1)x^{r+n-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1}x^{r+n-1} \\
 &= 2a_0(r-1)x^{r-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2a_n(r+n)(2r+2n-1)x^{r+n-1} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1}x^{r+n-1} \\
 &= 2a_0r(2r-1)x^{r-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [2a_n(r+\eta)(2r+2n-1) + a_{n-1}]x^{r+n-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example (5 of 8)

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= 2a_0r(2r-1)x^{r-1} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [2a_n(r+\eta)(2r+2n-1) + a_{n-1}]x^{r+n-1} \\
 &\text{This implies} \\
 &\quad 0 = r(2r-1), \quad (\text{the indicial equation}) \quad \boxed{r=0} \\
 &\quad 0 = 2a_0(r+n)(2r+2n-1) + a_{n-1} \quad \boxed{r=0}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we see that $r=0$ or $r=\frac{1}{2}$ and the recurrence relation is

$$a_n = -\frac{a_{n-1}}{(2r+2n)(2r+2n-1)}, \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

Example (6 of 8)

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\neq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad r \neq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Solve for highest subscript

Example, Case $r = 1/2$ (7 of 8)

$$\text{The recurrence relation becomes } a_n = -\frac{a_{n-1}}{(2n+1)2n}.$$

We should verify that the general solution to

$$4y'' + 2y' + y = 0$$

is

$$y(x) = c_1 \cos \sqrt{x} + c_2 \sin \sqrt{x}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_1 &= -\frac{a_0}{(3)(2)} = -\frac{a_0}{3} \\
 a_2 &= -\frac{a_1}{(5)(4)} = \frac{a_0}{5!} \\
 a_3 &= -\frac{a_2}{(7)(6)} = -\frac{a_0}{7!} \\
 &\vdots \\
 a_n &= \frac{(-1)^n a_0}{(2n+1)!}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } y_2(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n a_0}{(2n+1)!} x^{n+1/2} = a_0 \sin \sqrt{x}.$$

Example (8 of 8)

- This technique just outlined will succeed provided $r_1 \neq r_2$ and $r_1 - r_2 \neq n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- If $r_1 = r_2$ or $r_1 - r_2 = n \in \mathbb{Z}$ then we can always find the solution corresponding to the larger of the two roots r_1 or r_2 .
- The second (linearly independent) solution will have a more complicated form involving $\ln x$.

$$y = c_1 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n a_0}{(2n)!} x^n \right) + c_2 \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n a_0}{(2n+1)!} x^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \right)$$

General Case: Method of Frobenius

Substitute into the ODE

Given $x^2y'' + x[xp(x)]y' + [x^2q(x)]y = 0$ where $x = 0$ is a regular singular point and $xp(x) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} p_r x^r$ and $x^2q(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q_n x^n$ are analytic at $x = 0$, we will seek a solution to the ODE of the form $y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n}$ where $a_0 \neq 0$.

$$0 = x^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (r+n)(r+n-1)a_n x^{r+n-2} + x \left[\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} p_r x^r \right] \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (r+n)a_n x^{r+n-1} + \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q_n x^n \right] \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (r+n)(r+n-1)a_n x^{r+n} + \left[\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} p_r x^r \right] \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (r+n)a_n x^{r+n} + \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} q_n x^n \right] \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{r+n} + \dots$$

Collect Like Powers of x

$$0 = a_0[r(r-1)x^r + a_1(r+1)x^{r+1} + \dots] + (p_0 + p_1x + \dots)[a_0x^r + a_1(r+1)x^{r+1} + \dots]$$

$$+ (q_0 + q_1x + \dots)[a_0x^r + a_1x^{r+1} + \dots]$$

$$= a_0[r(r-1) + p_0r + q_0]x^r + \dots$$

$$+ [a_1(r+1)r + p_0a_1(r+1) + p_1a_1r + q_1a_1]x^{r+1} + \dots$$

$$= a_0[r(r-1) + p_0r + q_0]x^r + [a_1((r+1)r + p_0(r+1) + q_0) + a_0(p_1r + q_1)]x^{r+1} + \dots$$

indicial eqn

$$\cancel{a_0[r(r-1) + p_0r + q_0]} = 0$$

Indicial Equation

If we define $F(r) = r(r-1) + p_0r + q_0$ then the ODE can be written as

$$0 = a_0 F(r)x^r + [a_1 F(r+1) + a_0(p_1r + q_1)]x^{r+1} + \dots$$

$$+ [a_2 F(r+2) + a_0(p_2r + q_2) + a_1(p_1(r+1) + q_1)]x^{r+2} + \dots$$

The equation

$$0 = F(r) = r(r-1) + p_0r + q_0$$

is called the **Indicial equation**. The solutions are called the **exponents of singularity**.

Recurrence Relation

Exponents of Singularity

By convention we will let the roots of the indicial equation $F(r) = 0$ be r_1 and r_2 .

When r_1 and $r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ we will assign subscripts so that $r_1 \geq r_2$.

Consequently the recurrence relation where $r = r_1$

$$a_n(r_1) = -\frac{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k (p_{n-k}(r_1+k) + q_{n-k})}{F(r_1+n)}$$

is defined for all $n \geq 1$.

One solution to the ODE is then

$$y_1(x) = x^{r_1} \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(r_1)x^n \right).$$

Case: $r_1 = r_2 \notin \mathbb{N}$

Example

- If $r_1 - r_2 \neq n$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $r_1 \neq r_2 + n$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. and consequently $F(r_2 + n) \neq 0$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- Consequently the recurrence relation where $r = r_2$,

$$a_n(r_2) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k(p_{n-k}(r_2 + k) + q_{n-k})}{F(r_2 + n)}$$

is defined for all $n \geq 1$.

A second solution to the ODE is then

$$y_2(x) = x^2 \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(r_2)x^n \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_0 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \frac{-x(2+x)}{x^2} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (2+x) = -2 \\ q_0 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \frac{-2+x^2}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (2+x^2) = 2 \end{aligned}$$

The indicial equation is then

$$\begin{aligned} r(r-1) + (-2)r + 2 &= 0 \\ r^2 - 3r + 2 &= 0 \\ (r-2)(r-1) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The exponents of singularity are $r_1 = 2$ and $r_2 = 1$. Consequently we have one solution of the form

$$y_1(x) = x^2 \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n \right).$$

Solution

repeated root

Case: $r_1 = r_2$ Equal Exponents of Singularity (1 of 4)

- When the exponents of singularity are equal then $F(r) = (r - r_1)^2$.
- We have a solution to the ODE of the form

$$y_1(x) = x^r \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(r)x^n \right).$$

- Differentiating this solution and substituting into the ODE yields

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= a_0 F(r)x^r \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[a_n F(r+n) + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k (p_{n-k}(r+k) + q_{n-k}) \right] x^{r+n} \\ &= a_0(r - r_1)^2 x^r. \end{aligned}$$

when a_n solves the recurrence relation.

Case: $r_1 = r_2$ Equal Exponents of Singularity (3 of 4)

- Recall: for the ODE $x^2 y'' + x[xp(x)]y' + [x^2 q(x)]y = 0$ we can define the linear operator

$$L[y] = x^2 y'' + x[xp(x)]y' + [x^2 q(x)]y$$

so that the ODE can be written compactly as $L[y] = 0$.

- Consider the infinite series solution to the ODE,
- $$\phi(r, x) = x^r \left[1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n(r)x^n \right]. \quad \text{Note: since the coefficients of the series depend on } r \text{ we denote the solution as } \phi(r, x).$$

Thus a second solution to the ODE is $y_2(x) = \frac{\partial \phi(r, x)}{\partial r} \Big|_{r=r_1}$.

where
choose
 $a_0 = 1$

FYI

[20] 6.) Given the recursive relation $a_{n+2} = 6a_{n+1} - 9a_n$ where $a_0 = -1$ and $a_1 = 3$, prove that $a_n = 3^n(2n - 1)$. You may use induction.

Proof by induction: First we prove that $a_n = 3^n(2n - 1)$ for $n = 0, 1$:

$$n = 0: 3^0(2(0) - 1) = -1 = a_0$$

$$n = 1: 3^1(2(1) - 1) = 3 = a_1$$

} Base case

Induction hypothesis: Suppose $a_k = 3^k(2k - 1)$ for $k = n, n + 1$.

$$\text{Then } a_n = 3^n(2n - 1) \text{ and } a_{n+1} = 3^{n+1}(2(n + 1) - 1)$$

} Induction hyp

Goal: Claim: $a_{n+2} = 3^{n+2}(2(n + 2) - 1)$

$$a_{n+2} = 6a_{n+1} - 9a_n$$

$$= 6[3^{n+1}(2(n + 1) - 1)] - 9[3^n(2n - 1)]$$

$$= 2[3^{n+2}(2n + 2 - 1)] - 3^{n+2}(2n - 1)$$

$$= 2[3^{n+2}(2n + 1)] - 3^{n+2}(2n - 1)$$

$$= 3^{n+2}(4n + 2) - 3^{n+2}(2n - 1)$$

$$= 3^{n+2}[4n + 2 - 2n + 1]$$

$$= 3^{n+2}[2n + 3]$$

$$= 3^{n+2}[2(n + 2) - 1]$$

Prove induct hyp
⇒ $n+2$ case

Alternative answer (not covered in this class – see MATH:4050 Intro to Discrete Math):

Guess $a_n = x^n$. Then $a_{n+1} = x^{n+1}$ and $a_{n+2} = x^{n+2}$

Then $a_{n+2} = 6a_{n+1} - 9a_n$ implies $x^{n+2} - 6x^{n+1} + 9x^n = 0$.

Hence $x^n(x^2 - 6x + 9) = x^n(x - 3)^2 = 0$. Thus $x = 3$

Claim: $a_n = c_1(3^n) + c_2(n3^n)$ satisfies $a_{n+2} - 6a_{n+1} + 9a_n = 0$

$$c_1(3^{n+2}) + c_2((n + 2)3^{n+2}) - 6[c_1(3^{n+1}) + c_2((n + 1)3^{n+1})] + 9[c_1(3^n) + c_2(n3^n)]$$

$$= c_1[3^{n+2} - 6(3^{n+1}) + 9(3^n)] + c_2[(n + 2)3^{n+2} - 6((n + 1)3^{n+1}) + 9(n3^n)]$$

$$= c_1[3^{n+2} - 2(3^{n+2}) + (3^{n+2})] + c_2\{n[(3^{n+2} - 6(3^{n+1}) + 9(3^n)] + [(2)3^{n+2} - 6(3^{n+1})]\}$$

$$= c_1[0] + c_2\{n[(3^{n+2} - 2(3^{n+2}) + (3^{n+2})] + [(2)3^{n+2} - 2(3^{n+2})]\} = 0$$

Thus $a_n = c_1(3^n) + c_2(n3^n)$