

Chap. 4. ⁵ Series Solutions of ~~Differential~~ ODEs Equations

5A.1. Power Series Method

• power series:

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m (x-x_0)^m = a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) + a_2(x-x_0)^2 + \dots$$

a_0, a_1, a_2 : coefficients (const.)

x_0 : center of the series

if $x_0 = 0$

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m x^m = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots$$

ex) Maclaurin series

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} x^m = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots$$

$$e^x = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} x^m = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

$$\cos x = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m x^{2m}}{(2m)!} = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} x^2 + \frac{x^4}{4!} - + \dots$$

$$\sin x = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m x^{2m+1}}{(2m+1)!} = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - + \dots$$

3 Idea of the Power Series Method

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$$

(1) $p(x), q(x) \leftrightarrow$ power series.

(2) Assume $y = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m x^m = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + \dots$

then $y' = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_m m x^{m-1} = a_1 + 2a_2 x + 3a_3 x^2 + \dots$

$$y'' = \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} m(m-1) a_m x^{m-2} = 2a_2 + 3 \cdot 2a_3 x + 4 \cdot 3a_4 x^2 + \dots$$

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = \underbrace{(\quad)}_{=0} \cdot X^0 + \underbrace{(\quad)}_{=0} \cdot X^1 + \underbrace{(\quad)}_{=0} \cdot X^2 + \dots$$

Ex. 0* $y' - y = 0$

Assume $y = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m X^m$

$$y' - y = (a_1 - a_0) + (2a_2 - a_1)X + (3a_3 - a_2)X^2 + \dots = 0$$

$$a_1 = a_0$$

$$a_2 = \frac{a_1}{2} = \frac{a_0}{2}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{a_2}{3} = \frac{a_0}{3 \cdot 2} = \frac{a_0}{3!}$$

$$y = a_0 + a_0 X + \frac{a_0}{2!} X^2 + \frac{a_0}{3!} X^3 + \dots$$

$$= a_0 \left(1 + X + \frac{X^2}{2!} + \frac{X^3}{3!} + \dots \right)$$

$$= a_0 e^X$$

Ex. 1*

$$y' = 2xy$$

$$y = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m X^m$$

$$a_1 + 2a_2 X + 3a_3 X^2 + \dots = 2a_0 X + 2a_1 X^2 + 2a_2 X^3 + 2a_3 X^4 + \dots$$

$$a_1 = 0$$

$$a_2 = a_0$$

$$a_3 = 0$$

$$a_4 = \frac{a_2}{2} = \frac{a_0}{2}$$

$$a_5 = 0$$

$$a_6 = \frac{a_4}{3} = \frac{a_0}{3!}$$

⋮

$$y = a_0 + a_0 X^2 + \frac{a_0}{2!} X^4 + \frac{a_0}{3!} X^6 + \dots$$

$$= a_0 \left(1 + X^2 + \frac{X^4}{2!} + \frac{X^6}{3!} + \dots \right)$$

$$= a_0 e^{X^2}$$

Ex. 2 $y'' + y = 0$

Assume $y = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m x^m$

$(2a_2 + 3 \cdot 2 a_3 x + 4 \cdot 3 a_4 x^2 + \dots) + (a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots) = 0$

$(2a_2 + a_0) + (3 \cdot 2 a_3 + a_1)x + (4 \cdot 3 a_4 + a_2)x^2 + \dots = 0$

$a_2 = -\frac{a_0}{2}$

$a_3 = -\frac{a_1}{3 \cdot 2}$

$a_4 = -\frac{a_2}{4 \cdot 3} = +\frac{a_0}{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}$

$a_5 = -\frac{a_3}{5 \cdot 4} = \frac{a_1}{5!}$

$y = (a_0 - \frac{a_0}{2}x^2 + \frac{a_0}{4!}x^4 - + \dots) + (a_1 x - \frac{a_1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{a_1}{5!}x^5 - + \dots)$

$= a_0 (1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - + \dots) + a_1 (x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - + \dots)$

$= a_1 \cos x + a_1 \sin x$

2. Theory of the Power Series Method

power series

$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m (x-x_0)^m = a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) + a_2(x-x_0)^2 + \dots$

n-th partial sum

$S_n(x) = a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) + \dots + a_n(x-x_0)^n$

Remainder : $R_n(x) = a_{n+1}(x-x_0)^{n+1} + a_{n+2}(x-x_0)^{n+2} + \dots$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n(x_1) = S(x_1)$: convergent

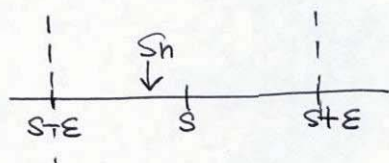
$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m (x_1-x_0)^m$

$S(x_1) = S_n(x_1) + R_n(x_1)$

• Convergence:

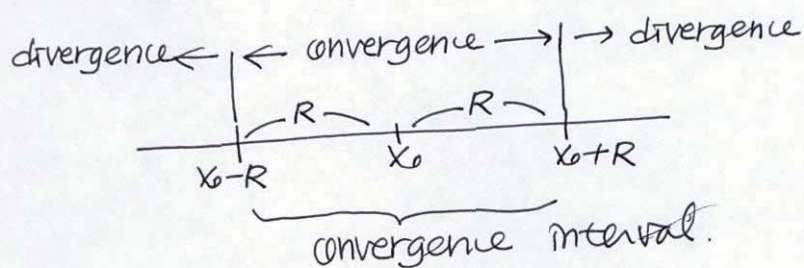
$$\exists N$$

$$|R_n(x)| = |s(x) - s_n(x)| < \epsilon \quad \text{for all } n > N$$



* Convergence interval, Radius of Convergence

1. The series always converges at $x = x_0$
2. Convergence interval



for all x such that $|x - x_0| < R$, the series converges
 \Rightarrow R : radius of convergence " $> R$ " " diverges "

$$R = \frac{1}{\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[m]{|a_m|}} \quad \text{or} \quad R = \frac{1}{\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{m+1}}{a_m} \right|}$$

\exists if $R \rightarrow \infty$, the series converges for all x

Ex. 1. radius of convergence $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} m! x^m$: $a_m = m!$

$$\frac{a_{m+1}}{a_m} = \frac{(m+1)!}{m!} = (m+1) \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\therefore R \rightarrow 0.$$

the series converges only at $x=0$: useless

Ex. 2 $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} x^m = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots$

$a_m = 1$

$R = \frac{1}{\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{m+1}}{a_m} \right|} = 1$

The series (geometric series) \Rightarrow converges \checkmark when $|x| < 1 \stackrel{R}{=}$

Ex. 3 $e^x = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^m}{m!}$ $a_m = \frac{1}{m!}$

$\frac{a_{m+1}}{a_m} = \frac{m!}{(m+1)!} = \frac{1}{m+1} \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$

$R \rightarrow \infty$

The series converges for all x

Ex. 4. Convergence interval

$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{8^m} x^{3m} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m}{8^m} t^m$ $t = x^3$

$a_m = \frac{(-1)^m}{8^m}$

$\left| \frac{a_{m+1}}{a_m} \right| = \left| \frac{8^m}{8^{m+1}} \right| = \frac{1}{8}$ $|t| < 8$

$\therefore |x| < 2$

• Operations on Power Series

* Termwise Differentiation

$y(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m (x-x_0)^m$ converges for $|x-x_0| < R$

$y'(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m a_m (x-x_0)^{m-1}$ $|x-x_0| < R$

$y''(x) = \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} m(m-1) a_m (x-x_0)^{m-2}$ $|x-x_0| < R$

* Termwise Addition

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m (x-x_0)^m = f(x)$$

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} b_m (x-x_0)^m = g(x)$$

$$f(x) + g(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (a_m + b_m) (x-x_0)^m$$

* Termwise Multiplication

$$f(x)g(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (a_0 b_m + a_1 b_{m-1} + \dots + a_m b_0) (x-x_0)^m$$

$$= a_0 b_0 + (a_0 b_1 + a_1 b_0) (x-x_0)$$

$$+ (a_0 b_2 + a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_0) (x-x_0)^2 + \dots$$

* Shifting summation indices

e.g. $x^2 \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} m(m-1) a_m x^{m-2} + 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m a_m x^{m-1}$

$$= \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} m(m-1) a_m x^{\textcircled{m}} + 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m a_m x^{\textcircled{m-1}}$$

compare

let $m-1 = s$. $m = s+1$

$$= \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} m(m-1) a_m x^m + \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} 2(s+1) a_{s+1} x^s$$

$\hookrightarrow 0$

$$= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} [m(m-1) a_m + 2(m+1) a_{m+1}] x^m$$

§ Existence of Power Series Solutions

$$y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = r(x)$$

$$\tilde{h}(x)y'' + \tilde{p}(x)y' + \tilde{q}(x)y = \tilde{r}(x)$$

$$\ni y = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m x^m \ni$$

Real analytic function

$f(x)$ is called analytic at a point $x=x_0$

if $f(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m (x-x_0)^m$ with $R > 0$

↳ power series

Theorem

p, q, r : analytic at $x=x_0 \Rightarrow y_{sol}$: analytic
→ power series

$\tilde{p}, \tilde{q}, \tilde{r}$: analytic at $x=x_0 \Rightarrow$ "
 $\tilde{p}(x_0) \neq 0$

3. Legendre's Equation

$(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + n(n+1)y = 0$

: spherical coordinates

solution: Legendre function

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

analytic at $x=0$

∴ assume $y = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_m x^m$

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

$\sum_{m=2}^{\infty} m(m-1)a_m x^{m-2}$

$- \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} m(m-1)a_m x^m$

$k = n(n+1)$