

MATH 257/316 MIDTERM I SECTIONS 101/102 2009

Q1. $Ly = 6x^2y'' + xy' + (1+x)y = 0$

(a) • $x=0$ IS A SINGULAR POINT SINCE $6x^2$ VANISHES

TO SEE IF IT IS A RSP: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{6x^2} = \frac{1}{6} = p_0 < \infty$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2(1+x)}{6x^2} = \frac{1}{6} = q_0 < \infty$
SINCE $|q_0| < \infty$ & $|p_0| < \infty$ $x=0$ IS A RSP.

• THE POINTS $0 < x < \infty$ ARE ALL ORDINARY POINTS

• CONSIDER THE POINT AT ∞ : LET $z = 1/x$ THEN AS $x \rightarrow \infty$ $z \rightarrow 0$.

$$\frac{d}{dx} = \frac{d}{dz} \frac{dz}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x^2} \frac{d}{dz}, \frac{d^2}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dz} \left(-\frac{1}{x^2} \frac{d}{dz} \right) = \frac{1}{x^4} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} + 2 \frac{1}{x^3} \frac{d}{dz}$$

$$\therefore 6x^2y'' + xy' + (1+x)y = \frac{6}{z^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{z^4} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} + 2 \frac{1}{z^3} \frac{d}{dz} \right\} y + \left(\frac{1}{z} \right) \left(-\frac{1}{z^2} \frac{d}{dz} \right) y + \left(1 + \frac{1}{z} \right) y = 0$$

$$\therefore 6z^2 y'' + 1/z y' + \left(1 + \frac{1}{z} \right) y = 0 \quad \text{WHERE } \frac{d}{dz} y = \dot{y}$$

$z=0$ (OR $x \rightarrow \infty$) IS A SINGULAR POINT TO CHECK IF IT IS A RSP

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z \left(\frac{1}{z} \right) = 1 \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{z^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{z} \right)}{6z^2} = \frac{1}{6} \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow z=0 \text{ OR } x \rightarrow \infty \text{ IS AN IRREGULAR SP.}$$

(b) • SINCE $x=1$ IS AN ORDINARY POINT WE NEED TO

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

• THE NEAREST SINGULAR POINT TO $x_0=1$ IS $x=0$ SO THE MINIMUM RADIUS OF CONVERGENCE IS $r=1$.

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(C) Since $x=0$ is a RSP with $p_0 = 1/6 = q_0$ the indicial equation is

$$r(r-1) + 1/r + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow 6r^2 - 5r + 1 = (3r-1)(2r-1) = 0 \quad r = 1/2, 1/3.$$

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

$$0 = Ly = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n [6(n+r)(n+r-1) + (n+r) + 1] x^{n+r} + a_n x^{n+r+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow m=n \quad n=0 \quad m=n+1 \quad n=m-1$$

$$\therefore 0 = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \{a_m [6(m+r)(m+r-1) + (m+r) + 1] + a_{m-1}\} x^{m+r} + a_0 [6r(r-1) + r + 1] x^r$$

EQUALING COEFFICIENTS TO ZERO

$$x^r: \quad 6r^2 - 5r + 1 = (3r-1)(2r-1) = 0 \quad a_0 \text{ ARBITRARY}$$

$$x^{m+r}: \quad a_m = -a_{m-1}$$

$$6(m+r)(m+r-1) + m+r+1$$

$$r = 1/2: \quad a_m = \frac{-a_{m-1}}{6(m+1/2)(m-1/2) + m+3/2} = \frac{-a_{m-1}}{6(m^2 - 1/4) + m+3/2} = \frac{-a_{m-1}}{(6m+1)m}$$

$$a_1 = -a_0 \quad a_2 = \frac{-a_1}{13 \cdot 2} = \frac{a_0}{13 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$$

$$\therefore y(x) = x^{1/2} \left[1 - \frac{x}{7} + \frac{x^2}{13 \cdot 14} - \dots \right] \text{ IS ONE SOLN}$$

$$r = 1/3: \quad a_m = \frac{-a_{m-1}}{6(m+1/3)(m-2/3) + m+4/3} = \frac{-a_{m-1}}{2(3m+1)(m-2/3) + m+4/3} = \frac{-a_{m-1}}{(6m-1)m}$$

$$a_1 = -a_0 \quad a_2 = \frac{-a_1}{18 \cdot 2} = \frac{a_0}{110}$$

$$\therefore y_1(x) = x^{1/3} \left[1 - \frac{x}{5} + \frac{x^2}{110} - \dots \right]$$

THE GENERAL SOLN IS THUS OF THE FORM

$$y(x) = A y_0(x) + B y_1(x).$$

Q2: $u_t = \alpha^2 u_{xx} \quad 0 < x < \pi, t > 0$

$$u_x(0, t) = 0 = u_x(\pi, t)$$

$$u(x, 0) = 1$$

SOLN: Let $u(x, t) = X(x) T(t)$

$$\frac{d}{dt} T(t) = \frac{X''(x)}{X(x)} = \text{const} = -\lambda^2 \quad (\text{FOR NONTRIVIAL SOLNS})$$

$$T(t) = C e^{-\alpha^2 \lambda^2 t}$$

$$X'' + \lambda^2 X = 0 \quad | \quad X(x) = A \cos \lambda x + B \sin \lambda x$$

$$X'(0) = 0 = X'(\pi) \quad | \quad X'(x) = -A \lambda \sin \lambda x + B \lambda \cos \lambda x$$

$\lambda \neq 0$: $X'(0) = BA = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0 \quad \text{SINCE } \lambda \neq 0$

$$X'(\pi) = -A \lambda \sin(\lambda \pi) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda \pi = n\pi \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

WE HAVE EIGENVALUES $\lambda_n = n, n=1, 2, \dots$

AND EIGENFUNCTIONS $X_n(x) = \cos(nx)$.

$\lambda = 0$: $X'' = 0 \quad X(x) = Bx + A \quad X' = B$

$X'(0) = B = 0 \quad X'(\pi) = 0 \quad \text{IS SATISFIED AUTOMATICALLY}$

$$\therefore X(x) = A_0$$

$\therefore \lambda = 0$ IS AN EIGENVALUE AND $X_0(x) = 1$ IS THE CORRESPONDING EIGENFUNCTION

THE GENERAL SOLUTION IS THUS

$$u(x, t) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n e^{-\alpha^2 n^2 t} \cos(nx)$$

TO MATCH THE INITIAL CONDITION

$$1 = u(x, 0) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(nx)$$

TO FIND THE A_n WE PROJECT 1 onto the $\cos(mx)$

METHOD 1: $0 = (A_0 - 1) \cdot 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos(nx)$ AND SINCE THE FUNCTIONS

$\{1, \cos(nx)\}$ ARE INDEPENDENT $A_0 = 1, A_n = 0, n \geq 1$

METHOD 2: $m \neq 0 \int_0^\pi 1 \cos(mx) dx = \frac{\sin(mx)}{m} \Big|_0^\pi = A_0 \int_0^\pi \cos^2(mx) dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \int_0^\pi \cos(mx) \cos(nx) dx$

$$0 = A_m \cdot \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \Rightarrow A_m = 0 \quad m \geq 1$$

$$\therefore m=0 \quad \int_0^\pi 1 \cdot dx = A_0 \cdot \int_0^\pi 1 dx + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \int_0^\pi \cos(mx) \cos(nx) dx$$

$$A_0 = 1$$

$$\therefore u(x, t) = 1$$