

**5.5:** Solve  $x^2y'' - x(2+x)y' + (2+x^2)y = 0$

$p(x) = -\frac{x(2+x)}{x^2} = -\frac{2+x}{x}$ . Thus  $x_0 = 0$  is a singular value.

$q(x) = \frac{2+x^2}{x^2}$  also implies  $x_0 = 0$  is a singular value.

$xp(x) = -(2+x)$  and  $x^2q(x) = 2+x^2$ . Thus  $x_0 = 0$  is a regular singular value.

Suppose  $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^{n+r}$  is a solution. WLOG assume  $a_0 \neq 0$  (otherwise one can reindex the summation).

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

$$x^2y'' - x(2+x)y' + (2+x^2)y$$

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

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

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

$$= [r(r-1) - 2r + 2]a_0 x^r + [(1+r)r - 2(1+r) + 2]a_1 x^{r+1} - ra_0 x^{r+1}$$

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

$$= [r(r-1) - 2r + 2]a_0 x^r + ([r(r-1) - 2r + 2]a_1 - ra_0)x^{r+1}$$

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

$$= [r^2 - r - 2r + 2]a_0 x^r + ([r^2 - r - 2r + 2]a_1 - ra_0)x^{r+1}$$

$$+ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [(n+r)(n+r-3) + 2]a_n - (n+r-1)a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} x^{n+r}$$

$$= [r^2 - 3r + 2]a_0 x^r + ([r^2 - r]a_1 - ra_0)x^{r+1}$$

$$+ \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} ([n^2 + 2rn + r^2 - 3n - 3r + 2]a_n - (n+r-1)a_{n-1} + a_{n-2})x^{n+r} = 0$$

Set all coefficients = 0:

Since  $a_0 \neq 0$ ,  $r^2 - 3r + 2 = (r - 2)(r - 1) = 0$  implies  $r = 1, 2$ .

$r^2 - 3r + 2 = 0$  is the *indicial equation*

$[r^2 - r]a_1 = ra_0$  implies  $(r - 1)a_1 = a_0$ . Thus if  $r = 1$ ,  $a_0 = 0$ , a contradiction. If  $r = 2$ ,  $a_1 = a_0$

$$[n^2 + 2rn + r^2 - 3n - 3r + 2]a_n - (n + r - 1)a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} = [n^2 + 2rn - 3n]a_n - (n + r - 1)a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} = 0$$

$$a_n = \frac{(n+r-1)a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}}{n^2 + 2rn - 3n} = \frac{(n+1)a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}}{n^2 + 4n - 3n} = \frac{(n+1)a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}}{n^2 + n} = \frac{(n+1)a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}}{n(n+1)}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{3a_1 - a_0}{6} = \frac{3a_0 - a_0}{6} = \frac{2a_0}{6} = \frac{a_0}{3}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{4a_2 - a_1}{(3)(4)} = \frac{4(\frac{a_0}{3}) - a_0}{(3)(4)} = \frac{4a_0 - 3a_0}{(3)^2(4)} = \frac{a_0}{(3)^2(4)}$$

$$a_4 = \frac{5a_3 - a_2}{(4)(5)} = \frac{(5\frac{a_0}{(3)^2(4)}) - (\frac{a_0}{3})}{(4)(5)} = \frac{5a_0 - 3(4)a_0}{3^2(4)^2(5)} = \frac{7a_0}{3^2(4)^2(5)}$$

$$a_5 = \frac{6a_4 - a_3}{(5)(6)} = \frac{6(\frac{7a_0}{3^2(4)^2(5)}) - (\frac{a_0}{(3)^2(4)})}{(5)(6)} = \frac{6(7a_0) - (20a_0)}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)} = \frac{22a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)}$$

$$a_6 = \frac{7a_5 - a_4}{(6)(7)} = \frac{7(\frac{22a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)}) - \frac{7a_0}{3^2(4)^2(5)}}{(6)(7)} = \frac{7(22a_0) - 30(7a_0)}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)^2(7)} = \frac{-56a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)^2(7)}$$

$$a_7 = \frac{8a_6 - a_5}{(7)(8)} = \frac{8(\frac{-56a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)^2(7)}) - \frac{22a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)}}{(7)(8)} = \frac{8(-56a_0) - 42*22a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)^2(7)^2(8)} = \frac{-1372a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)^2(7)^2(8)}$$

$$y = x^2(a_0 + a_0x + \frac{a_0}{3}x^2 + \frac{a_0}{(3)^2(4)}x^3 + \frac{7a_0}{3^2(4)^2(5)}x^4 + \frac{22a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)}x^5 + \frac{-56a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)^2(7)}x^6 + \frac{-1372a_0}{(3)^2(4)^2(5)^2(6)^2(7)^2(8)}x^7 + \dots)$$