

## OPE's

- Power Series method
- Euler equations
- Systems of first order differential equations
- Laplace transforms.

### OPE

An Ode is an equation which involves derivative of a function of a single variable.

Example  $y' - y = 0$ .

dependent variable  $y(x)$ , independent variable.

### Order of an ODE

highest order of derivative involved in the ODE  $y' - y = 0$  (has order 1).  $y'' - y = 0$  (has order 2).

### Types of methods of solving ODE's

- ① Separation of variables
- ② integrating factor
- ③ Variation parameter.
- ④ Power Series method.

### Power Series method

What is a power series? It is a series of the form  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots$

more generally,

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - x_0)^n$  when it is simply put and  $x_0$  is the center of the series

$a_n$  - Coefficients

$x_0$  = center of the series

$x$  - variable.

$n$  = indexing.

## Examples

$$① \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} = e^x$$

$$② \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(x-1)^n = 0 + (x-1) + 2(x-1)^2 + 3(x-1)^3 + \dots$$

## Analytic functions

There are functions that have a power series representation.

E.g. ① polynomial functions  $p(x) = x^2 + 2x + 1 + 0x^3 + 0x^4 + \dots$

② Exponential functions.

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

how do you come up with this by using (Taylor Series

of functions) (includes some of functions)

$$③ \sin x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \quad \cos x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$④ \sinh x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \quad \cosh x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

## Techniques of the power series method

### Manipulating power series

① Addition

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

② Differentiation

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

$$= a_1 + 2a_2 x + 3a_3 x^2 + \dots$$

③ Shifting the index for example

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

Sometimes you shift so a to start the index from zero of which the two are the same

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} \quad \text{let } m = n-1$$

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

idea behind the method of power series

Example -

find the power series solution to  $y'' + y = 0$

Solution

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

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

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

$$[(n+1) a_{n+1} + a_n] x^n = 0$$

$$(n+1) a_{n+1} = -a_n$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{-a_n}{(n+1)}$$

$$n=0$$

$$a_1 = -a_0$$

$$n=1$$

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

$$n=2$$

$$a_3 = \frac{a_2}{3} = \frac{a_0}{6}$$

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

$$n=3$$

$$a_4 = \frac{a_3}{4} = \left(\frac{a_0}{6}\right) \frac{1}{4} = \frac{a_0}{24}$$

$$n=4$$

$$a_5 = \frac{a_4}{5}$$

$$n=m$$

$$a_m = \frac{a_0}{m!}$$

$$= \left(\frac{a_0}{24}\right) \frac{1}{5}$$

$$= \frac{a_0}{120}$$

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots$$

$$= a_0 + a_0 x + \frac{a_0 x^2}{2!} + \frac{a_0 x^3}{3!} + \frac{a_0 x^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$= d_0 \left( 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \underline{\underline{d_0 e^x}}$$

Power Series method (method 2)

$$y' - y = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1} x^{n-1} = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [n a_n - a_{n-1}] x^{n-1} = 0$$

$$n a_n - a_{n-1} = 0$$

$$a_{n-1} = n a_n$$

$$a_n = \frac{a_{n-1}}{n}$$

when  $n=1$   $a_1 = \frac{d_0}{1}$   $n=2$   $a_2 = \frac{a_1}{2}$

which is just the same as the last example solution

Solution of a Second Order Linear D.E using power method

$$a_2(x)y'' + a_1(x)y' + a_0(x)y = f(x)$$

when  $r(x) = 0$  Homogeneous

$r(x) \neq 0$  Non-Homogeneous

If  $a_2, a_1$  and  $a_0$  are constant, then ODE has constant coefficients

If not, it has variable coefficients.

$$y'' + \frac{a_1(x)}{a_2(x)} y' + \frac{a_0(x)}{a_2(x)} y = \frac{r(x)}{a_2(x)}$$

are solutions about  $x_0$ , then the above ODE has power series solutions about  $x = x_0$

## Example 1

$$x_0 = 0 \quad y'' + y = 0$$

$$y'' + y = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$

$$\text{From } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - x_0)^n$$

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

$$y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$[(n+1)(n+2) a_{n+2} = -a_n]$$

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{-a_n}{(n+1)(n+2)}$$

$$n=0 \quad a_2 = \frac{-a_0}{2}$$

$$a_1 = 1$$

$$a_3 = \frac{-a_1}{6}$$

$$a_4 = 2$$

$$a_4 = \frac{-a_2}{12} = \frac{-\frac{-a_0}{2}}{12} = \frac{+a_0}{24}$$

$$n=3$$

$$a_5 = \frac{-a_3}{20} = \frac{-\frac{-a_1}{6}}{20} = \frac{+a_1}{120}$$

$$= \frac{1}{120} a_1$$

$$n=4$$

$$a_6 = \frac{-a_4}{30} = -a_0$$

## Example 2

$$(x-3)y' + 2y = 0$$

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \quad y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

$$(x-3) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

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$$(x-3) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 3n a_n x^{n-1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2a_n x^n = 0$$

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

Example 2

$$y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

$$(x^2+1)y'' + 4xy' + 6y = 0$$

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

$$(x^2+1) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} + 4x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} + 6 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^{n-2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 4n a_n x^n + 6 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 6a_n x^n = 0$$

$$= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1) a_n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n+1)(n+2) a_{n+2} x^n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 4n a_n x^n + 6 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$n(n-1) a_n x^n + (n+1)(n+2) a_{n+2} x^n - 4n a_n x^n + 6a_n x^n = 0$$
$$(n+1)(n+2) a_{n+2} = 4n a_n - 6a_n - n(n-1) a_n$$

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{4n a_n - 6a_n - n(n-1) a_n}{(n+1)(n+2)}$$

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{[4n - 6 - n(n-1)] a_n}{(n+1)(n+2)}$$

Example 3:

iii)  $(x^2-1)y'' + 6xy' + 4y = -4$

$$y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \quad y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

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

$$1) (x+1)y' = 8y \quad y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n \quad y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$

$$(x+1) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} - 8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1} - 8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) a_{n+1} x^n - 8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) a_{n+1} x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 8 a_n x^n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^n$$

$$(n+1) a_{n+1} = 8 a_n - n a_n$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{8 a_n - n a_n}{n+1}$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{(8-n) a_n}{n+1}$$

when  $n=0$

$$a_1 = 8 a_0$$

when  $n=1$

$$a_2 = \frac{5}{2} a_1$$

when  $n=1$

$$a_2 = \frac{7}{2} a_1 = \frac{7}{2} (8 a_0) = 28 a_0$$

$n=2$

$$a_3 = \frac{6}{3} a_2$$

$$= 2 a_2$$

Something that can not be solved using power rule  
 For example, the ODE  $xy'' + xy' + y = 0$  does not  
 have a power series solution about  $x=0$ .

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

$$y'' + \frac{1}{x} y' + \frac{1}{x^2} y = 0 \quad \text{because } \frac{1}{x} = x^{-1}$$

and  $\frac{1}{x^2} = x^{-2}$  which are not analytic unless  
 $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

for this we use Euler equations

Examples

i)  $y'' - y = 0$       ii)  $y'' - xy = 0$

ii)  $y' = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n d_n x^{n-1}$        $y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_n x^n$

$$y'' = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)n d_n x^{n-2}$$

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

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

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

$$= 2d_2 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+1)(n+2) d_{n+2} x^n - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} d_{n-1} x^n$$

$$2d_2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(n+1)(n+2) d_{n+2} - d_{n-1}] x^n = 0$$

$$2d_2 = 0 \\ d_2 = 0$$

$$d_{n+2} = \frac{d_{n-1}}{(n+2)(n+1)}$$

$$d_{n+2} = \frac{a_n - 1}{(n+2)(n+1)} \quad n = 2$$

$$a_3 = \frac{a_0}{3 \times 2}$$

$$a_4 = \frac{a_1}{4 \times 3}$$

$$n = 3$$

$$a_5 = \frac{a_2}{5 \times 4} = 0$$

$$a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = a_{11} = a_{14} = 0$$

$$n = 4$$

$$a_6 = \frac{a_3}{6 \times 5} = \frac{a_0}{6 \times 5 \times 3 \times 2}$$

$$n = 5$$

$$a_7 = \frac{a_4}{7 \times 6} = \frac{a_1}{7 \times 4 \times 6 \times 3}$$

$$\therefore y = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3$$

$$y = a_0 + a_1 x + \frac{a_0}{3 \times 2} x^3 + \frac{a_1}{4 \times 3} x^4 + \frac{a_0}{6 \times 5 \times 3 \times 2} x^6 + \frac{a_1}{7 \times 6 \times 4 \times 3} x^7$$

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Q1  $y''$

1.  $(1+x)y'' - y = x$

2.  $(x^2-1)y'' + 6xy' + 4y = -9$

3.  $(x+1)y' = 3y$