

Answer on Question #73082 – Math – differential Equations

Question

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

Solution

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Comparing the given equation with the form $y''+P(x)y' + Q(x)y = 0$

$$\text{We get } P(x)=\frac{x}{x+2}, Q(x)=\frac{-1}{x+2}$$

At $x=0$, both $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$ are analytic, hence at $x=0$ is an ordinary point.

Assume its solutions to be

$$Y= a_0+a_1x+a_2x^2+a_3x^3+\dots+a_nx^n+\dots \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Then } Y' = a_1+2a_2x+3a_3x^2+\dots+na_nx^{n-1}+\dots$$

$$Y'' = 2.1 a_2+3.2.a_3x+\dots+n(n-1)a_nx^{n-2}+\dots$$

Substituting these values in the given differential equation, we get

$$(x+2)(2.1 a_2+3.2.a_3x+\dots+n(n-1)a_nx^{n-2}+\dots)+x(a_1+2a_2x+3a_3x^2+\dots+na_nx^{n-1}+\dots)-a_0+a_1x+a_2x^2+a_3x^3+\dots+a_nx^n+\dots=0$$

Equating to zero, the various powers of x as,

$$\text{Coefficient of } x^0=0$$

$$\text{We get } a_3 = \frac{a_0}{4}$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } x^1=0$$

$$\text{We get } a_2 = \frac{-3a_0}{2}$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } x^2=0$$

$$\text{We get } a_4 = 0$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } x^3=0$$

We get $a_5 = \frac{-a_0}{20}$

Substituting these values in equation (1), we get

$$Y = a_0 + a_1x - \frac{3a_0}{2}x^2 + \frac{a_0}{4}x^3 - \frac{a_0}{20}x^5 + \dots + \dots$$

Hence

$$Y = a_0 \left(1 - \frac{3a_0}{2}x^2 + \frac{a_0}{4}x^3 - \frac{a_0}{20}x^5 + \dots \right) + a_1x + \dots$$

$$Y = f(x) = a_0 \left(1 - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{4}x^3 - \frac{1}{20}x^5 + \dots \right) + a_1x + \dots$$

which is required solution