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Worksheet No.9 Advanced Mathematics II

Exercise 41: Solve the initial value problem

$$(x^2 + 2x + 2)y''(x) + 2(x + 1)y'(x) - 2y(x) = 0, \quad y(-1) = 1, \quad y'(-1) = 0$$

with the power series method. Determine the coefficients explicitly.

Exercise 42: The general solution of the differential equation

$$(2 + x)y''(x) + y'(x) = 1$$

can be represented by a power series. Determine its radius of convergence.

Exercise 43: Determine the general solution of the differential equation

$$x^2y''(x) + x^3y'(x) - 6y(x) = 0.$$

Use the generalized power series representation $y(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+\lambda}$.

If the solution contains an infinite power series it is here sufficient to define its coefficients recursively.

Exercise 44: We solve Legendre's differential equation

$$(1 - x^2)f''(x) - 2xf'(x) + n(n + 1)f(x) = 0, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

from Exercise 33 with the power series representation $f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^k$.

- Determine the solution for $n = 2$ and the initial values $f(0) = 1$ and $f'(0) = 0$.
- Show: For even $n \geq 2$ and the initial values $f(0) = 1$ and $f'(0) = 0$ we have $a_i = 0$ for all $i > n$. We thus get as solution a polynomial of degree n (a so-called *Legendre polynomial*).
- Which initial values can we choose for odd n such that the power series stops and yields a polynomial solution?

Exercise 45: We solve the initial value problem $y'(x) = y(x)$, $y(0) = 1$ approximately with step size $h > 0$. As usual $x_k = x_0 + kh$ and y_k denotes the approximate solution obtained from the method at x_k .

- Calculate y_k explicitly using the Euler's method.
- An *improved Euler's method* for the IVP $y'(x) = f(x, y(x))$, $y(x_0) = y^{(0)}$ can be defined by

$$y_0 = y^{(0)}, \quad y_{k+1} = y_k + \frac{h}{2} \left(f(x_k, y_k) + f(x_{k+1}, y_k + hf(x_k, y_k)) \right).$$

Show that using this method one obtains $y_k = (1 + h + h^2/2)^k$.

- Compare both approximate solutions with the Taylor polynomials of first and of second order for the exact solution of the IVP.

Due date: Please hand in your homework until Thursday, 24 June, 12:00 into the AM2-box near seminar room Z1, building 01.85 (Fritz-Erlor-Str. 1-3).

Tutorial No.9 Advanced Mathematics II

Exercise T25: Determine a solution of the initial value problems applying the power series method. Find an explicit formula for the coefficients.

(a) $(2x - x^2)y''(x) + (1 - x)y'(x) = 0, \quad y(1) = 1, \quad y'(1) = 0$

(b) $(x^2 + 1)u''(x) - 6u(x) = 0, \quad u(0) = 0, \quad u'(0) = 1$

(c) $(x^2 + 1)u''(x) - 6u(x) = 0, \quad u(0) = 1, \quad u'(0) = 0$

Also determine the radius of convergence of the solution in part (c), as well as the general solution of the differential equation $(x^2 + 1)u''(x) - 6u(x) = 0$.

Exercise T26: Use the generalized power series method, i.e., employ the ansatz $y(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{k+\lambda}$ to determine the general solution of the differential equation

$$x^2 y''(x) + x^2 y'(x) - 2y(x) = 0.$$

Determine the coefficients explicitly.

Exercise T27: Explicitly solve the initial value problem $y'(x) = 2y(x) - 1, y(0) = 1$ by means of Euler's method for a step size $h > 0$. Show that for the approximate solution y_k at $k = kh$ one obtains

$$y_k = \frac{(1 + 2h)^k}{2} + \frac{1}{2}.$$