

A) locate and classify the singular points (if exist):-

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x(x-1)^3 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 2(x-1)^2 y' + 5y = 0$$

Its normalised form is

$$y'' - \frac{2}{x(x-1)} y' + \frac{5}{x(x-1)^3} y = 0$$

Here, $P(x) = -\frac{2}{x(x-1)}$, is not analytic at $x=0$ and $x=1$

$Q(x) = \frac{5}{x(x-1)^3}$, is not analytic at $x=0$ and $x=1$

$\therefore x=0, 1$ are the singular points.

Now, $(x-0) \cdot P(x) = -\frac{2x}{x(x-1)} = -\frac{2}{x-1}$,
is analytic at $x=0$

$(x-0)^2 \cdot Q(x) = \frac{5x}{(x-1)^3}$, is analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is a regular singular point.

Again, $(x-1)P(x) = -\frac{2}{x}$, is analytic at $x=1$

$(x-1)^2 Q(x) = \frac{5}{x(x-1)}$, is not analytic at $x=1$.

$\therefore x=1$ is an irregular singular point.

② $(x^2 - 3x)y'' + (x+1)y' - 2y = 0$

Its normalized form is

$$y'' + \frac{x+1}{x(x-3)}y' - \frac{2}{x(x-3)}y = 0$$

Here, $P(x) = \frac{x+1}{x(x-3)}$, is not analytic at $x=0$ and $x=3$

$Q(x) = -\frac{2}{x(x-3)}$, is not analytic at $x=0, x=3$

$\therefore x=0, 3$ are the singular points.

Now, $(x-0)P(x) = \frac{x+1}{x-3}$, is analytic at $x=0$

$(x-0)^2Q(x) = -\frac{2x}{(x-3)}$, is analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is a regular singular point.

Again, $(x-3)P(x) = \frac{x+1}{x}$, is analytic at $x=3$

$(x-3)^2Q(x) = -\frac{2(x-3)}{x}$, is analytic at $x=3$

$\therefore x=3$ is a regular singular point.

3. $x^2(x+1)^2 y'' + 2(x^2-1)y' - 3y = 0$

Its normalised form is

$$y'' + \frac{2(x^2-1)}{x^2(x+1)^2} y' - \frac{3}{x^2(x+1)^2} y = 0$$

Here,

$$P(x) = \frac{2(x^2-1)}{x^2(x+1)^2}, \text{ is not analytic at } x=0, -1$$

$$Q(x) = -\frac{3}{x^2(x+1)^2}, \text{ is not analytic at } x=0, -1$$

$\therefore x=0, -1$ are the singular points.

Now,

$$(x-0)P(x) = \frac{2(x^2-1)}{x(x+1)^2}, \text{ is not analytic at } x=0$$

$$(x-0)^2 Q(x) = -\frac{3}{(x+1)^2}, \text{ is analytic at } x=0$$

$\therefore x=0$ is an irregular singular point.

Again,

$$(x+1)P(x) = \frac{2(x^2-1)}{x^2(x+1)}, \text{ is ~~not~~ analytic at } x=-1$$
$$= \frac{2(x-1)}{x^2}$$

$$(x+1)^2 Q(x) = -\frac{3}{x^2}, \text{ is analytic at } x=-1$$

$\therefore x=-1$ is a **regular singular point**.

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

Its normalised form is

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

$$\Rightarrow y'' + \frac{(x-2)}{x(x+1)}y' - \frac{1}{x^2(x+1)}y = 0$$

ie Here, $P(x) = \frac{x-2}{x(x+1)}$, is not analytic at $x=0, -1$

$$Q(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2(x+1)}, \text{ is not analytic at } x=0, -1$$

ie

$\therefore x=0, -1$ are the singular points.

Now, $(x-0)P(x) = \frac{x-2}{x+1}$, is analytic at $x=0$

$$(x-0)^2 Q(x) = -\frac{1}{x+1}, \text{ is analytic at } x=0$$

ie

$\therefore x=0$ is a regular singular point.

Again, $(x+1)P(x) = \frac{(x-2)}{x}$, is analytic at $x=-1$

$$(x+1)^2 Q(x) = -\frac{x+1}{x^2}, \text{ is analytic at } x=-1$$

ie

$\therefore x=-1$ is a regular singular point.

5. $(x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2)y'' - 4(x-1)y' - 5x^2y = 0$

Its normalised form is

$$y'' - \frac{4}{x^2(x-1)}y' - \frac{5}{(x-1)^2}y = 0 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2 \\ = x^2(x^2 - 2x + 1) \\ = x^2(x-1)^2 \end{array} \right.$$

Here, $P(x) = -\frac{4}{x^2(x-1)}$,

is not analytic at $x=0, 1$

$Q(x) = -\frac{5}{(x-1)^2}$, is not analytic at $x=1$

$\therefore x=0, 1$ are the singular points.

Now, $(x-0) \cdot P(x) = -\frac{4}{x(x-1)}$, is not analytic at $x=0$

$(x-0)^2 \cdot Q(x) = -\frac{5x^2}{(x-1)^2}$, is analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is an irregular singular point.

Again, $(x-1) \cdot P(x) = -\frac{4}{x^2}$, is analytic at $x=1$

$(x-1)^2 \cdot Q(x) = -5$, is analytic everywhere.

$\therefore x=1$ is a regular singular point.

6. $(x^3+x^2)y'' + (x^2-2x)y' + 4y = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2(x+1)y'' + x(x-2)y' + 4y = 0$

Its normalised form is

$$y'' + \frac{(x-2)}{x(x+1)}y' + \frac{4}{x^2(x+1)}y = 0$$

Here, $P(x) = \frac{x-2}{x(x+1)}$, is not analytic at $x=0, -1$

$Q(x) = \frac{4}{x^2(x+1)}$, is not analytic at $x=0, -1$

$\therefore x=0, -1$ are the singular points.

Now, $(x-0) \cdot P(x) = \frac{x-2}{x+1}$, is analytic at $x=0$

$(x-0)^2 \cdot Q(x) = \frac{4}{x+1}$, is analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is a regular singular point.

Again, $(x+1) \cdot P(x) = \frac{x-2}{x}$, is analytic at $x=-1$

$(x+1)^2 \cdot Q(x) = \frac{4(x+1)}{x^2}$, is analytic at $x=-1$

$\therefore x=-1$ is a regular singular point.

7. $(x^5 + x^4 - 6x^3)y'' - x^2y' - 2(x-2)y = 0$

Its normalised form is

$$y'' - \frac{1}{x(x-2)(x+3)}y' - \frac{2}{x^3(x+3)}y = 0 = \begin{cases} x^5 + x^4 - 6x^3 \\ x^3(x^2 + x - 6) \\ x^3(x-2)(x+3) \end{cases}$$

Here, $P(x) = -\frac{1}{x(x-2)(x+3)}$, is not analytic at $x=0, 2, -3$

$Q(x) = -\frac{2}{x^3(x+3)}$, is not analytic at $x=0, -3$

$\therefore x=0, 2, -3$ are the singular points.

Now, $(x-0) \cdot P(x) = -\frac{1}{(x-2)(x+3)}$, is analytic at $x=0$

$(x-0)^2 \cdot Q(x) = -\frac{2}{x(x+3)}$, is not analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is an irregular singular point.

Again, $(x-2) \cdot P(x) = -\frac{1}{x(x+3)}$, is analytic at $x=2$

$(x-2)^2 \cdot Q(x) = \frac{2(x-2)^2}{x^3(x+3)}$, is analytic at $x=2$

$\therefore x=2$ is a regular singular point.

Also, $(x+3) \cdot P(x) = -\frac{1}{x(x-2)}$, is analytic at $x=-3$

$(x+3)^2 \cdot Q(x) = -\frac{2(x+3)}{x^3}$, is analytic at $x=-3$

$\therefore x=-3$ is a regular singular point.

B Find the nature of the point $x=0$ for the ODE.

a $(x+1)x y'' + (\sin x)y = 0$

Its normalised form is

$$y'' + \frac{\sin x}{(x+1)x} y = 0$$

Here, $p(x) = 0$

$$Q(x) = \frac{\sin x}{(x+1)x} = \frac{\frac{x}{1} - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots}{x(x+1)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{1} - \frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{x^4}{5} - \dots}{x+1}$$

so, clearly at $x=0$, both $p(x)$ and $Q(x)$ are analytic.

$\therefore x=0$ is an ordinary point.

b $2x y'' - (\cos x)y = 0$

Its normalised form is

$$y'' - \frac{\cos x}{2x} y = 0$$

Here, $p(x) = 0$

$$Q(x) = -\frac{\cos x}{2x} = -\left(\frac{1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24} - \frac{x^6}{720} + \dots}{2x}\right)$$

so, clearly at $x=0$, $p(x)$ is analytic but $Q(x)$ is not analytic.

$\therefore x=0$ is a singular point.

Now, $(x-0) \cdot p(x) = 0$, is analytic at $x=0$

$(x-0)^2 \cdot Q(x) = -\frac{1}{2} x \cos x$, is analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is a regular singular point.

$$\underline{\text{Ex.}} \quad xy'' + 2xy' + (\tan x)y = 0$$

Its normalized form is

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

Here, $p(x) = 2$, is analytic at $x=0$

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x) &= \frac{\tan x}{x} \\ &= \frac{x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2}{15}x^5 + \dots}{x} \\ &= \frac{1 + \frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{2x^4}{15} + \dots}{1}, \end{aligned}$$

is analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is an ordinary point.

$$\underline{\text{Ex.}} \quad (x^2-x)y'' - xy' + \log(1+x)y = 0$$

Its normalized form is

$$y'' - \frac{1}{x-1}y' + \frac{\log(1+x)}{x(x-1)}y = 0$$

Here, $p(x) = -\frac{1}{x-1}$, is analytic at $x=0$

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x) &= \frac{\log(1+x)}{x(x-1)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{x}{1+x} - \frac{x^2}{2+x^2} + \frac{x^3}{3+x^3} - \dots}{x(x-1)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{x}{2+x^2} + \frac{x^2}{3+x^3} - \dots}{x-1}, \end{aligned}$$

is analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is an ordinary point.

Example

e. $x^2 y'' + y' + (\sinh x)y = 0$

Its normalised form is

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

Here, $p(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$, is not analytic at $x=0$

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x) &= \frac{\sinh x}{x^2} \\ &= \frac{x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{15} + \frac{x^7}{17} + \dots}{x^2} \\ &= \frac{1 + \frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{x^4}{15} + \frac{x^6}{17} + \dots}{x} \end{aligned}$$

is not analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is a singular point.

Now, $(x-0) \cdot p(x) = \frac{1}{x}$, is not analytic at $x=0$.

$(x-0)^2 \cdot Q(x) = \sinh x$, is analytic at $x=0$

$\therefore x=0$ is an **irregular singular point**.