

128. On Certain Reduction Theorems for Systems of Differential Equations which Contain a Turning Point

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1. **Introductions.** In this paper we consider a system of linear ordinary differential equations

$$(1.1) \quad \varepsilon dx/dt = A(t, \varepsilon)x,$$

where x is an n -vector: $A(t, \varepsilon)$ is a matrix of type (n, n) , which admits a uniformly asymptotic expansion

$$(1.2) \quad A(t, \varepsilon) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} A_j(t) \varepsilon^j$$

for $|t| < t_0$, as ε tends to zero through a domain $|\arg \varepsilon - \theta| < \varepsilon_0$. The coefficients of this expansion, $A_j(t)$ are holomorphic functions of t in the domain $|t| < t_0$.

The system has a turning point at the origin, if $A_0(t)$ has a set of eigenvalues: $\lambda_{j_1}(t), \dots, \lambda_{j_p}(t) (p \leq n)$, which are zero for $t=0$, but at least a pair of eigenvalues are not identically equal, where, by a theorem due to Sibuya, (cf. Sibuya, Y. [3]), we may assume $p=n$.

Though a general method to treat such a system is not yet known, all the known results are obtained by reducing the coefficient matrix $A(t, \varepsilon)$ to a matrix, whose elements are polynomials in the independent variable. Moreover, if there is a formal transformation

$$(1.3) \quad y = P(t, \varepsilon)x \quad P(t, \varepsilon) \sim \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} P_j(t) \varepsilon^j$$

such that

$$(1.4) \quad \det P_0(0) \neq 0, \quad P_j(t): \text{holomorphic for } |t| < t_0$$

which reduces the system (1.1) to a system with polynomial coefficients, then, in a sectorial domain, there is a matrix $Q(t, \varepsilon)$ which has the same asymptotic expansion as $P(t, \varepsilon)$. (cf. Sibuya, Y. [4]). We shall call a formal transformation (1.3) with the properties (1.4), a *formal admissible transformation*.

Our results are stated in two theorems:

Theorem 1. *If in (1.2) $A_0(t)$ is in the form*

$$(1.5.1) \quad A_0(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & \dots & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ t & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

then there is a formal admissible series (1.3) such that

$$\varepsilon dy/dt = A_0(t)y.$$