

Given that the differential equation is

$$(x+3)y'' - (11-x)y' + y = 0 \quad \dots \quad (i)$$

(1). For singular points of eqn (i), we have $x+3=0$.
 $\Rightarrow x = -3$.

Therefore the minimum value of the radius of convergence of the power series solution of eqn (i) about the point $x_0 = 0$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} R &= \min\{|x_0 - x_1| : x_1 \text{ is singular point}\} \\ &= \min\{|0 + 3|\} \\ &= \min\{3\} \\ &= 3. \end{aligned}$$

So the interval of convergence is $(-R, R) = (-3, 3)$.

\therefore By analyzing the singular points of the differential equation, we know that a series solution of the form $y = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k x^k$ for the differential eqn will converge at least on the interval $\boxed{(-3, 3)}$

(2). Substitute $y = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k x^k$ into the given differential eqn.

$$\therefore y' = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k C_k x^{k-1} \quad \text{and} \quad y'' = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k(k-1) C_k x^{k-2}.$$

Therefore we have -

$$(x+3) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k(k-1) c_k x^{k-2} - (1-x) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \cdot c_k x^{k-1} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k \cdot x^k = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k(k-1) c_k x^{k-1} + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} 3k(k-1) c_k x^{k-2} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 11k c_k x^{k-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k c_k x^k + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k x^k = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k(k+1) c_{k+1} x^k + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 3(k+1)(k+2) c_{k+2} x^k - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 11(k+1) c_{k+1} x^k + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \cdot c_k x^k + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_k \cdot x^k = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow (c_0 - 11c_1 + 6c_2) x^0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [c_k + k c_k - 11(k+1) c_{k+1} + k(k+1) c_{k+1} + 3(k+1)(k+2) c_{k+2}] x^k = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow c_0 - 11c_1 + 6c_2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [(k+1) c_k + (k(k+1) - 11(k+1)) c_{k+1} + 3(k+1)(k+2) c_{k+2}] x^k = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow c_0 - 11c_1 + 6c_2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [(k+1) c_k + (k+1)(k-11) c_{k+1} + 3(k+1)(k+2) c_{k+2}] x^k = 0.$$

$$\therefore \boxed{1} c_{\boxed{0}} - \boxed{11} c_{\boxed{1}} + \boxed{6} c_{\boxed{2}} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\boxed{(n+1)} c_{\boxed{n}} + \boxed{(n+1)(n-11)} c_{\boxed{n+1}} + \boxed{3(n+1)(n+2)} c_{\boxed{n+2}} \right] x^n = 0.$$

(3)(a). From the constant term in the series above, we know that -
 $c_0 - 11c_1 + 6c_2 = 0.$

$$\Rightarrow 6c_2 = 11c_1 - c_0.$$

$$\Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{11}{6} c_1 - \frac{1}{6} c_0.$$

$$\therefore c_{\boxed{2}} = (\boxed{11} c_{\boxed{1}} - c_{\boxed{0}}) / \boxed{6}$$

(b) From the series above, we find the recurrence relation is

$$(n+1)C_n + (n+1)(n-1)C_{n+1} + 3(n+1)(n+2)C_{n+2} = 0 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow C_n + (n-1)C_{n+1} + 3(n+2)C_{n+2} = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(n+2)C_{n+2} = -(n-1)C_{n+1} - C_n.$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(n+2)C_{n+2} = (1-n)C_{n+1} - C_n.$$

$$\Rightarrow C_{n+2} = \frac{1-n}{3(n+2)}C_{n+1} - \frac{1}{3(n+2)}C_n.$$

$$\therefore C_{\boxed{n+2}} = \left(\boxed{1-n} C_{\boxed{n+1}} - C_{\boxed{n}} \right) / \boxed{3(n+2)} \quad \text{for } \boxed{n} \geq \boxed{1}$$

(4) The general solution to $(x+3)y'' - (11-x)y' + y = 0$ converges at least on $\boxed{(-3, 3)}$ and is

$$y(x) = C_0 + C_1 x + C_2 x^2 + C_3 x^3 + C_4 x^4 + \dots$$

From recurrence relation, we have

$$\text{For } n=1, C_3 = \frac{10}{9}C_2 - \frac{1}{9}C_1 = \frac{10}{9}\left(\frac{11}{6}C_1 - \frac{1}{6}C_0\right) - \frac{1}{9}C_1.$$

$$\Rightarrow C_3 = \frac{110}{54}C_1 - \frac{10}{54}C_0 - \frac{1}{9}C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow C_3 = \frac{55}{27}C_1 - \frac{5}{27}C_0 - \frac{1}{9}C_1$$

$$\Rightarrow C_3 = \frac{52}{27}C_1 - \frac{5}{27}C_0.$$

$$\text{For } n=2, C_4 = \frac{9}{12}C_3 - \frac{1}{12}C_2.$$

$$\Rightarrow C_4 = \frac{3}{4}\left(\frac{52}{27}C_1 - \frac{5}{27}C_0\right) - \frac{1}{12}\left(\frac{11}{6}C_1 - \frac{1}{6}C_0\right).$$

$$\Rightarrow C_4 = \frac{13}{9}C_1 - \frac{5}{36}C_0 - \frac{11}{72}C_1 + \frac{1}{72}C_0.$$

$$\Rightarrow C_4 = \frac{93}{72}C_1 - \frac{9}{72}C_0.$$

$$\therefore C_4 = \frac{31}{24} C_1 - \frac{1}{8} C_0.$$

So we have -

$$y(x) = C_0 + C_1 x + \left(\frac{11}{6} C_1 - \frac{1}{6} C_0\right) x^2 + \left(\frac{52}{27} C_1 - \frac{5}{27} C_0\right) x^3 \\ + \left(\frac{31}{24} C_1 - \frac{1}{8} C_0\right) x^4 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = C_0 \left[1 - \frac{1}{6} x^2 - \frac{5}{27} x^3 - \frac{1}{8} x^4 + \dots\right] + C_1 \left[x + \frac{11}{6} x^2 + \frac{52}{27} x^3 + \frac{31}{24} x^4 + \dots\right]$$

$$\therefore y = C_0 \left(\boxed{1} + \boxed{\frac{-1}{6}} x^2 + \boxed{\frac{-5}{27}} x^3 + \boxed{\frac{-1}{8}} x^4 + \dots\right) + C_1 \left(\boxed{1} x \right. \\ \left. + \boxed{\frac{11}{6}} x^2 + \boxed{\frac{52}{27}} x^3 + \boxed{\frac{31}{24}} x^4 + \dots\right)$$