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# THE MOST GENERAL TRANSFORMATION OF HOMOGENEOUS RETARDED LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS OF THE n-TH ORDER

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On an interval I=(a, b),  $a \ge -\infty$ ,  $b \le \infty$  we shall consider an equation of the form

$$y^{(n)}(x) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left[ a_i(x) y^{(i)}(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{m} b_{ij}(x) y^{(i)}(\xi_j(x)) \right] = 0$$
 (1)

 $(y^{(i)}(s) = d^i y(s)/ds^i)$  with bounded or unbounded delays

$$\mu_i(x) = x - \xi_i(x) > 0$$

on I,  $1 \le j \le m$ ,  $m \ge 1$  and  $n \ge 2$  being integers.

Let us suppose that  $a_i$ ,  $b_{ij}$ ,  $\xi_j \in C^0(I)$ ,  $\xi_j(x) \to b_-$  as  $x \to b_-$ ,  $\xi_k \neq \xi_j$  if  $k \neq j$  on I,  $b_n \neq 0$  on I for some r and s,  $0 \leq i$ ,  $r \leq n-1$ ;  $1 \leq k$ , j,  $s \leq m$ .

A continuous function y is said to be a solution of (1) if there exists  $c \in I$  such that y satisfies (1) for all  $x \in [c, b)$ . In this case we say that y is a solution of (1) on [c, b).

Let  $c \in I$ , A = [c, b),  $A_j = \{\xi_j(x): \xi_j(x) < c, x \in A\}$  and  $d = \inf \cup A_j$ , j = 1, 2, ..., m. Then we put  $A_c = [d, c]$  if  $d > -\infty$ . Otherwise let  $A_c = (-\infty, c]$ .

For given functions  $\sigma_0$ ,  $\sigma_1$ , ...,  $\sigma_{n-1} \in C^0(A_c)$  we say that is a solution of (1) with the initial values  $\{\sigma_k\}_0^{n-1}$  at c or simply a solution of (1) through  $(c; \sigma_0, \sigma_1, ..., \sigma_{n-1})$  if y is a solution of (1) on A and

$$y^{(k)}(s) = \sigma_k(s)$$
 for all  $s \in A_c$ ,

 $0 \le k \le n-1$ .

If  $a_i$ ,  $b_{ij}$ ,  $\xi_i$ ,  $\sigma_k$   $(0 \le i, k \le n-1; 1 \le j \le m)$  are continuous on I, there exists a unique solution of (1) through  $(c; \sigma_0, \sigma_1, ..., \sigma_{n-1})$  (see [1], p. 34).

In this paper we derive the most general transformation, which converts any linear equation (1) into another equation of the same form

$$u^{(n)}(t) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left[ A_i(t) u^{(i)}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{m} B_{ij}(t) u^{(i)}(\eta_i(t)) \right] = 0,$$
 (2)

where  $A_i$ ,  $B_{ij}$ ,  $\eta_j \in C^0(J)$ ,  $\eta_i \neq \eta_k$  if  $j \neq k$  on J,  $\operatorname{sgn}(t - \eta_i(t)) = \operatorname{sgn}(t - \eta_k(t)) \neq 0$  on J,  $B_{pq} \neq 0$  on J for some p and q,  $0 \leq i$ ,  $p \leq n - 1$ ;  $1 \leq k$ , j,  $q \leq m$ .

Although the equation (1) was studied by many authors, they did not pay special attention to the question of transformations. EL'SGOL'C [1] and NORKIN [2] considered the transformation

$$x = f(t), \quad y = g(t)u,$$

that converts any equation (1) into another of the same form and order. This transformation was used by Melvin [5] and others for a functional generally nonhomogeneous differential equations.

STÄCKEL [3] and WILCZYNSKI [4] have proved that the most general point-transformation

$$T: x = f(t, u), y = g(t, u),$$

converting every linear differential equation of the *n*-th order  $(n \ge 2)$  of the form

$$y^{(n)} + a_1(x)y^{(n-1)} + \dots + a_n(x)y = 0$$
(3)

with continuous coefficients into another equation of the same form and order, is

$$x = f(t), \quad y = g(t)u,$$

where f and g are arbitrary functions satisfying some additional assumptions.

Using the same arguments as in [3] and [4] we obtain the form of the most general transformation for (1). We wish that the transformation T = (f, g) be independent of coefficients of (1) for the same reason as in [4] (see [4], p. 8).

The case n = 1 is solved in [9].

## The most general transformation of the equation (1).

**Theorem.** For each  $n \ge 2$ , the most general transformation converting any equation (1) into (2) is

$$x = f(t), \quad y = g(t)u,$$

where  $f, g \in C^n(J)$ ,  $\dot{f}(t)g(t) \neq 0$  for all  $t \in J$ .

Furthermore

$$\xi_j \circ f = f \circ \eta_j$$

on J for j = 1, 2, ..., m.

Proof: If y is a solution of (1), there exists  $c \in I$  such that y is defined on an interval  $A \cup A_c$ . A mapping  $\Psi$ :  $A \cup A_c \to R^2$  defined by  $\Psi(x) = (x, y(x))$ ,  $x \in A \cup A_c$ , is a one-to-one homeomorphism of  $A \cup A_c$  into a graph of the given solution y. Conversely, to any point  $(x_0, y_0) \in R^2$ ,  $x_0 \in A$ , there is a solution y of (1) such that a graph of y contains the point  $(x_0, y_0)$ . For example, the interval

 $A = [x_0, b]$  and some continuous functions  $\sigma_0$ ,  $\sigma_1$ , ...,  $s_{n-1}$ ;  $\sigma_0(x_0) = y_0$  on  $A_{x_0}$  will do. Due to continuity of  $a_i$ ,  $b_{ij}$ ,  $\xi_j$ ,  $\sigma_k$   $(1 \le i, k \le n-1; 1 \le j \le m)$  there exists a solution of (1) through  $(x_0; \sigma_0, \sigma_1, ..., \sigma_{n-1})$ .

If  $G: = I \times R \subseteq R^2$  then G is open and  $\Psi(x) = (x, y(x)) \in G$  for any solution y of (1) and each  $x \in I$  where y is defined. Consider a one-to-one homeomorphism  $\Phi$  taking G into  $U \subset R^2$  with properties  $\Phi \in C^n(G)$  and Jacobian  $|\Phi'(p)| \neq 0$  for all  $p \in G$ , i.e.  $\Phi$  is a diffeomorphism. Then U is open and there is  $\Phi^{-1} = (f, g)$  such that  $|\Phi^{-1}'(q)| \neq 0$  for all  $q \in U$  (see [6], p. 223; [8], p. 58—59).

The mapping  $\Phi^{-1}$  is a point-transformation. Consequently, for any nontrivial solution y of (1) and an arbitrary fixed  $x \in I$  where y is defined there is a unique set of mutually disjoint points in U

$$(t, u) = \Phi(\Psi(x)), \quad (t_j, u_j) = \Phi(\Psi(\xi_j(x))), \tag{4}$$

 $1 \le j \le m$ . Using

$$(x, y(x)) = \Psi(x) = \Phi^{-1}(t, u) = (f(t, u), g(t, u))$$

we get

$$y^{(k)}(x) = \frac{H}{\sigma^{k+1}} u^{(k)}(t) + D_k(t) \quad (2 \le k \le n), \tag{5}$$

where  $H = |\Phi^{-1}(t, u)| = f_1 g_2 - g_1 f_2 \neq 0$  on U,  $\sigma := f_1 + f_2 \dot{u}(t)$   $(f_i, g_i \text{ denotes the partial derivatives of } f, g \text{ with respect to the } i\text{-th variable, } i=1,2)$  and  $D_k(t)$  obtains terms of order lower than k (see also [3], [4]). Then

$$a_{k+1}(x)y^{(k+1)}(x) + a_k(x)y^{(k)}(x) =$$

$$=\frac{H}{\sigma^{k+1}}\left(\frac{a_{k+1}(f)}{\sigma}u^{(k+1)}(t)+a_k(f)u^{(k)}(t)\right)+a_{k+1}(f)D_{k+1}(t)+a_k(f)D_k(t)$$

and the linearity of  $\frac{a_{k+1}(f)}{\sigma} u^{(k+1)}(t) + a_k(f) u^{(k)}(t)$  in  $\dot{u}(t), ..., u^{(k)}(t), u^{(k+1)}(t)$  implies  $f_2 \equiv 0$  since  $\sigma = f_1 + f_2 \dot{u}$  and a transformation

$$(x, y(x)) = (f(t, u(t)), g(t, u(t))), (t, u(t)) \in U,$$
 (T)

is independent of coefficients  $a_k(x)$  of (1),  $2 \le k \le n-1$ ,  $a_n(x) = 1$ . Hence  $H = f_1 g_2 \ne 0$  on U and

$$x = f(t) \tag{6}$$

is one-to-one mapping and  $f^{-1}(I) = J \subset R$ . From (4), (6) we have

$$(x, y(x)) = (f(t), g(t, u(t))), (\xi_i(x), y(\xi_i(x))) = (f(t_i), g(t_i, u(t_i))),$$
(7)

thus

$$\xi_j(f(t)) = f(t_j) \tag{8}$$

Denote  $t_i = \eta_i(t)$ . Then  $\eta_i: J \rightarrow R$  and

$$\xi_{j}(f(t)) = f(\eta_{j}(t)), \quad 1 \leq j \leq m, \tag{9}$$

since (8) converts deviating arguments of (1) into deviating arguments of (2). Hence

$$(x, y(x)) = (f(t), g(t, u(t))), (\xi_i(x), y(\xi_i(x))) = (f(\eta_i(t)), g(\eta_i(t), u(\eta_i(t)))),$$
(10)

by means of (7), (9). We have  $\eta_i(t) \neq \eta_k(t)$  as  $j \neq k$  and  $\eta_i(t) \neq t$  on J since  $\xi_i(x) \neq \xi_k(x)$  as  $j \neq k$  and  $\xi_j(x) \neq x$  on I and the function f is monotonic on J and (9) holds,  $1 \leq k$ ,  $j \leq m$ .

Thus

$$y'(x) = [g_1(t, u(t)) + g_2(t, u(t))\dot{u}(t)]/\dot{f}(t),$$

$$y^{(k)}(x) = \frac{H}{\dot{f}^{k+1}(t)} u^{(k)}(t) + D_k(t) = \frac{g_2(t, u(t))}{\dot{f}^k(t)} u^{(k)}(t) + D_k(t), \qquad (11)$$

$$2 \le k \le n,$$

using (5), and the equation (1) becomes

$$u^{(n)}(t) + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} \left[ a_{i}(f) \dot{f}^{n-i} u^{(i)}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{m} b_{ij}(f) \frac{\dot{f}^{n}}{\dot{f}^{i}(\eta_{i})} \times \frac{g_{2}(\eta_{i}, u(\eta_{i}))}{g_{2}} u^{(i)}(\eta_{i}) \right] + a_{1}(f) \dot{f}^{n-1} \left( \frac{g_{1}}{g_{2}} + \dot{u} \right) + a_{0}(f) \dot{f}^{n} \frac{g}{g_{2}} + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \left[ b_{1j}(f) \frac{\dot{f}^{n}}{\dot{f}(\eta_{j})} \left( \frac{g_{1}(\eta_{j}, u(\eta_{j}))}{g_{2}} + \frac{g_{2}(\eta_{j}, u(\eta_{j}))}{g_{2}} \dot{u}(\eta_{j}) \right) + b_{0j}(f) \dot{f}^{n} \frac{g(\eta_{j}, u(\eta_{j}))}{g_{2}} \right] + + \frac{\dot{f}^{n}}{g_{2}} \left[ D_{n}(t) + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} \left( D_{i}(t) + \sum_{i=2}^{n} D_{i}(\eta_{i}) \right) \right] = 0,$$

$$(12)$$

where  $g_2 \neq 0$  for all  $t \in J$ .

The following relations

$$\frac{g(t, u(t))}{g_2(t, u(t))} = \alpha(t) \iota_{t}(t), \tag{13}$$

$$\frac{g_1(t, u(t))}{g_2(t, u(t))} = \beta(t) u_t(t), \tag{14}$$

$$\frac{g(\eta_i(t), u(\eta_i(t)))}{g_2(t, u(t))} = \gamma_i(t) \mu(\eta_i(t)), \quad 1 \le j \le m, \tag{15}$$

must be valid for suitable functions  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma_i$  on J to obtain the linearity and homogenity of

$$a_0(f)\dot{f}^n\frac{g}{g_2}, \quad a_1(f)\dot{f}^{n-1}\frac{g_1}{g_2}, \quad b_{0,j}(f)\dot{f}^n\frac{g(\eta_j, u(\eta_j))}{g_2}$$

in  $u(\eta_i)$ , u,  $\dot{u}$ .

From (13) we have  $g(t, u(t)) = \alpha(t)u(t)g_2(t, u(t)) \neq 0$  on any subinterval on J since g(t, u) = y(x) is a nontrivial solution of (1) on any subinterval on I. Thus  $g_2(t, u)/g(t, u) = \alpha_1(t)/u$ ,  $\alpha_1 = 1/\alpha$ , on some  $J_1 \subseteq J$  and through integration we get

$$\ln |g(t, u)| = \alpha_1(t) \ln |u| + \ln |\alpha_2(t)|$$

i.e.

$$g(t, u) = \alpha_2(t) u^{\alpha_1(t)}.$$

Hence

$$0 \neq g_2(t, u(t)) = \alpha_2(t) \alpha_1(t) u(t)^{\alpha_1(t)-1}$$

for all  $t \in J$  and

$$g(t, u(t)) = \alpha_2(t)u^{\alpha_1(t)}, \quad \alpha_1(t)\alpha_2(t) \neq 0$$
 (16)

on J. Using (16) and (14) we obtain

$$\dot{\alpha}_2 u^{\alpha_1} + \dot{\alpha}_1 u^{\alpha_1} \ln |u| = \beta \alpha_1 \alpha_2 u^{\alpha_1 - 1} u,$$

i.e.

$$\dot{\alpha}_2 + \dot{\alpha}_1 \ln |u| = \beta \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \tag{17}$$

on J. It is clear that only  $\alpha_1(t) \equiv \lambda = const.$  complies with (17). Finally,  $\lambda = 1$  for the sake of equations

$$\alpha_2(\eta_i(t))u^{\lambda}(\eta_i(t)) = \lambda \gamma_i(t)\alpha_2(t)u(\eta_i(t))u(t)^{\lambda-1}$$
(18)

 $(1 \le j \le m)$  obtained from (15). Consequently

$$g(t, u(t)) = \alpha_2(t)u(t), \quad \alpha_2(t) \neq 0 \quad \text{for all} \quad t \in J.$$
 (19)

It remains to show that the required transformation rewritten as

$$x = f(t), \quad y = g(t)u,$$

 $f, g \in C^{m}(J), fg \neq 0 \text{ on } J, \xi_{j}(f(t)) = f(\eta_{j}(t)), t \in J, 1 \leq j \leq m, \text{ converts (1) into (2)}.$ By succesive differentiation we find

$$y^{(k)}(x) = \frac{Y_k(t)}{f^{2k-1}(t)}, \quad k = 1, 2, ..., n,$$
 (20)

where

$$Y_1(t) = \dot{g}(t)u(t) + g(t)\dot{u}(t)$$

and

$$Y_i(t) = \dot{Y}_{i-1}(t)\dot{f}(t) - (2i-3)\ddot{f}(t)Y_{i-1}(t), \tag{21}$$

i=2, 3, ..., n. Thus  $Y_k(t)$  is a linear combination of  $u, \dot{u}, ..., u^{(k)}$   $(1 \le k \le n)$  because  $Y_1$  is linear in  $u, \dot{u}$ .

From  $\xi_i \circ f = f \circ \eta_i$  we have

$$y^{(k)}(\xi_{j}(x)) = \frac{Y_{k}(\eta_{j}(t))}{f^{2k-1}(\eta_{j}(t))}$$

and  $Y_k(\eta_i(t))$  is a linear combination of  $u(\eta_i)$ ,  $\dot{u}(\eta_i)$ , ...,  $u^{(k)}(\eta_i)$  by means of (20) and (21), k = 1, 2, ..., n - 1.

Hence the Theorem is proved.

Remark. If the function f is strictly increasing (strictly decreasing) then  $f(\eta_i(t)) = \xi_i(f(t)) = \xi_i(x) < x = f(t)$  implies  $\eta_i(t) < t$   $(\eta_i(t) > t)$  for all  $t \in J$   $(1 \le j \le m)$  and the transformation described in Theorem converts a retarded equation into a retarded (an advanced) equation.

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## САМОЕ ОБЩЕЕ ПРЕОБРАЗОВАНИЕ ОДНОРОДНОГО ЛИНЕЙНОГО УРАВНЕНИЯ *n*-ого ПОРЯДКА С ЗАПАЗДЫВАНИЕМ

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#### Резюме

Штекел и Вилчински показали, что x = f(t), y = g(t)u — самое общее преобразование обыкновенного однородного дифференциального уравнения n-ого порядка, сохраняющее однородность, тип и порядок уравнения.

В статье доказывается, что x = f(t), y = g(t)u — самое общее преобразование для однородного линейного дифференциального уравнения с запаздыванием

$$y^{(n)}(x) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left[ a_i(x) y^{(i)}(x) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} b_{ij}(x) y^{(j)}(\xi_j(x)) \right] = 0,$$
  
$$y^{(i)}(s) = d^i y(s) / ds^i, \quad n \ge 2.$$