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ASSOCIATED DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION
TO A SELFADJOINT THIRD-ORDER
LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

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In the theory of the second-order linear differential equations in the Jacobian form

$$y'' = q(t)y, \quad (q)$$

where $q \neq 0$, $q \in C^2(-\infty, \infty)$, there is of an importance the associated differential equation (see [1])

$$z'' = q_1(t)z, \quad (q_1)$$

where

$$q_1 = q(t) + \sqrt{|q(t)|} \cdot (1/\sqrt{|q(t)|})''.$$

The functions $z(t) = y'(t)/\sqrt{|q(t)|}$, where y is a solution of (q), are the solutions of the associated equation (q_1) . The idea of the associated equation can be extended to the associated selfadjoint third-order linear differential equation.

1. Let us consider the third-order linear differential equations

$$(\omega)y''' + 2\omega(t)y' + \omega'(t)y = 0, \quad (\Omega)Y''' + 2\Omega(t)Y' + \Omega'(t)Y = 0,$$

where $\omega, \Omega \in C^3(j)$, $\omega' = d/dt(\omega(t))$, $\Omega' = d/dt(\Omega(t))$.

Let Y denotes the function

$$Y = \rho(t) \cdot [\alpha u(t) + \beta u'(t) + \gamma u''(t)],$$

where u is a solution of the differential equation (ω) . We are concerned with the question if it is possible to find ρ such that the function Y be a solution of (Ω) .

Let

$$v = \alpha u + \beta u' + \gamma u'',$$

then we have

$$v' = -\gamma \omega' u + (\alpha - 2\gamma \omega)u' + \beta u'',$$

$$v'' = (-\gamma \omega'' - \beta \omega')u + (-3\gamma \omega' - 2\beta \omega)u' + (\alpha - 2\gamma \omega)u'',$$

$$v''' = (-\gamma \omega''' - \beta \omega'' - \alpha \omega' + 2\gamma \omega \omega')u + (-4\gamma \omega'' - 3\beta \omega' - 2\alpha \omega + 4\gamma \omega^2)u' + (5\gamma \omega' - 2\beta \omega)u''.$$

Inserting now the function $Y = \rho(t) \cdot v(t)$ and its derivatives into (Ω) we obtain

$$\rho''' v + 3\rho'' v' + 3\rho' v'' + \rho v''' + 2\rho(\rho' v + \rho v') + \Omega \rho v = 0.$$

Inserting v, v', v'', v''' we obtain after arrangements

$$\begin{aligned} & (\gamma \rho''' + 3\beta \rho'' + 3\alpha \rho' - 6\gamma \omega \rho' - 5\gamma \omega' \rho - 2\beta \omega \rho + 2\gamma \omega \rho' + 2\beta \Omega \rho + \gamma \Omega' \rho)u'' + \\ & + (\beta \rho''' + 3\alpha \rho'' - 6\gamma \omega \rho'' - 9\gamma \omega' \rho' - 6\beta \omega \rho' - 4\gamma \omega' \rho - 3\beta \omega' \rho - 2\alpha \omega \rho + 4\gamma \omega^2 \rho + \\ & + 2\beta \Omega \rho' + 2\alpha \Omega \rho - 4\gamma \omega \Omega \rho + \beta \Omega' \rho)u' + (\alpha \rho''' - 3\gamma \omega \rho'' - 3\beta \omega' \rho' - \\ & - \gamma \omega'' \rho - \beta \omega' \rho - \alpha \omega' \rho + 2\gamma \omega \omega' \rho + 2\alpha \Omega \rho' - 2\gamma \omega' \Omega \rho + \alpha \Omega' \rho)u = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This equality is satisfied for every u if the coefficients of u, u', u'' are equal to zero. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma \rho''' &= -3\beta \rho'' - 3\alpha \rho' + 6\gamma \omega \rho' + 5\gamma \omega' \rho + 2\beta \omega \rho - 2\gamma \Omega \rho' - 2\beta \Omega \rho - \gamma \Omega' \rho, \\
\beta \rho''' &= -3\alpha \rho'' + 6\gamma \omega \rho'' + 9\gamma \omega' \rho' + 6\beta \omega \rho' + 4\gamma \omega' \rho + 3\beta \omega' \rho + 2\alpha \omega \rho - \\
&\quad - 4\gamma \omega^2 \rho - 2\beta \Omega \rho' - 2\alpha \Omega \rho + 4\gamma \omega \Omega \rho - \beta \omega' \rho, \\
\alpha \rho''' &= 3\gamma \omega' \rho'' + 3\gamma \omega \rho'' + 3\beta \omega' \rho' + \gamma \omega''' \rho + \beta \omega'' \rho + \alpha \omega' \rho - \\
&\quad - 2\gamma \omega \omega' \rho - 2\alpha \Omega \rho' + 2\gamma \omega' \Omega \rho - \alpha \Omega' \rho.
\end{aligned}$$

Multiplying the first equality by β and the second one by γ , resp. the first one by α and the third one by γ resp. the second one by β and the third one by γ , and subtracting them after arrangements we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
(-2\beta^2 + 2\alpha\gamma - 4\gamma^2\omega)\rho(\Omega - \omega) &= (6\gamma^2\omega + 3\beta^2 - 3\alpha\gamma)\rho'' + \\
&\quad + (9\gamma^2\omega' + 3\alpha\beta)\rho' + (4\gamma^2\omega'' - 2\beta\gamma\omega')\rho.
\end{aligned}$$

resp.

$$\begin{aligned}
(2\gamma^2\omega' + 2\alpha\beta)\rho(\Omega - \omega) &= (-3\gamma^2\omega' - 3\alpha\beta)\rho'' + \\
&\quad + (-3\gamma^2\omega'' - 3\beta\gamma\omega' + 6\alpha\gamma\omega - 3\alpha^2)\rho' + \\
&\quad + (-\gamma^2\omega''' - \beta\gamma\omega'' + 4\alpha\gamma\omega')\rho,
\end{aligned}$$

resp.

$$\begin{aligned}
(-2\alpha^2 + 4\alpha\gamma\omega - 2\beta\gamma\omega')\rho(\Omega - \omega) &= (3\alpha^2 - 6\alpha\gamma\omega + 3\beta\gamma\omega')\rho'' - \\
&\quad - (9\alpha\gamma\omega' + 6\alpha\beta\omega - 3\beta\gamma\omega'' - 3\beta^2\omega')\rho' - (2\alpha\beta\omega' + 4\alpha\beta\omega'' - \\
&\quad - \beta\gamma\omega''' - \beta^2\omega'')\rho.
\end{aligned}$$

We get

$$\Omega - \omega + \frac{3}{2} \frac{\rho'}{\rho} = \frac{9\gamma^2\omega' + 3\alpha\beta}{-4\gamma^2\omega - 2\beta^2 + 2\alpha\gamma} \frac{\rho'}{\rho} + \frac{4\gamma^2\omega'' - 2\beta\gamma\omega'}{-4\gamma^2\omega - 2\beta^2 + 2\alpha\gamma}, \quad (1)$$

resp.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega - \omega + \frac{3}{2} \frac{\rho'}{\rho} &= \frac{-3\gamma^2\omega'' - 3\beta\gamma\omega' + 6\alpha\gamma\omega - 3\alpha^2}{2\gamma^2\omega' + 2\alpha\beta} \frac{\rho'}{\rho} + \\
&\quad + \frac{-\gamma\omega''' - \beta\gamma\omega'' + 4\alpha\gamma\omega'}{2\gamma^2\omega' + 2\alpha\beta}, \quad (2)
\end{aligned}$$

resp.

$$\Omega - \omega + \frac{3}{2} \frac{\varphi'}{\varphi} = \frac{9\alpha\gamma\omega' + 6\alpha\beta\omega - 3\beta\gamma\omega'' - 3\beta^2\omega'}{\frac{2\alpha^2 - 4\alpha\gamma\omega + 2\beta\gamma\omega'}{\varphi}} + \frac{4\alpha\gamma\omega'' + 2\alpha\beta\omega' - \beta^2\omega''}{\frac{2\alpha^2 - 4\alpha\gamma\omega + 2\beta\gamma\omega'}{\varphi}}. \quad (3)$$

The equality of the left sides of (1) and (2) implies the equality of the right sides and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi'/\varphi = & (2\alpha\beta^2\gamma\omega' + 5\alpha\beta\gamma^2\omega'' - 2\beta\gamma^3\omega'^2 + 4\gamma^4\omega'\omega'' + \alpha\gamma^3\omega''' - 4\alpha^2\gamma^2\omega' - 2\gamma^4\omega\omega'' - \\ & - 2\beta\gamma^3\omega\omega'' + 8\alpha\gamma^2\omega\omega' - \beta^2\gamma^2\omega''' - \beta^3\gamma\omega''') / (-3\alpha\gamma^3\omega'' - 3\alpha^3\gamma + \gamma^4\omega\omega' + \\ & + 6\beta\gamma^3\omega\omega' + 12\alpha^2\gamma^2\omega - 12\alpha\gamma^3\omega^2 + 3\beta^3\gamma^2\omega'' + 3\beta^3\gamma\omega' - 6\alpha\beta^2\gamma\omega - 15\alpha\beta\gamma^2\omega' - 9\gamma^4\omega'^2). \end{aligned}$$

The derivative of the denominator is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & -3\alpha\gamma^3\omega''' - 12\gamma^4\omega'\omega'' + 6\gamma^4\omega\omega'' + 6\beta\gamma^3\omega'^2 + 6\beta\gamma^3\omega\omega'' + 12\alpha^2\gamma^2\omega' - \\ & - 24\alpha\gamma^3\omega\omega' + 3\beta^2\gamma^2\omega''' + 3\beta^3\gamma\omega'' - 6\alpha\beta^2\gamma\omega' - 15\alpha\gamma^2\omega'' \end{aligned}$$

and we set that is (-3) multiple of the numerator. From here we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi = & k_1 / \sqrt[3]{\{(-3\gamma^3 + 3\beta^2\gamma^2)\omega'' + 6\gamma^4\omega\omega'' + 6\beta\gamma^3\omega\omega' - 9\gamma^4\omega'^2 + \\ & + (3\beta^3\gamma - 15\alpha\beta\gamma^2)\omega' - 12\alpha\gamma^3\omega^2 + (12\alpha^2\gamma^2 - 6\alpha\beta^2\gamma)\omega - 3\alpha^3\gamma\}}. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

The equality of the left sides of (1) and (3) implies the equality of the right sides and we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi'/\varphi = & (-16\beta\gamma^2\omega\omega' + 4\beta\gamma^3\omega\omega'' + 4\beta^2\gamma^2\omega\omega'' - 10\alpha\beta^2\gamma\omega'' - \\ & - 4\alpha\beta^3\omega' + 2\beta^3\gamma\omega'' + 2\beta^4\omega'' + 8\alpha^2\beta\gamma\omega' - 2\alpha\beta^2\gamma\omega'' - \\ & - 8\beta\gamma^3\omega\omega'' + 4\beta^2\gamma^2\omega'^2) / (6\alpha^3\beta - 24\alpha^2\beta\gamma\omega + 18\beta\gamma^3\omega'^2 + \\ & + 30\alpha\beta^2\gamma\omega' + 24\alpha\beta\gamma^2\omega^2 - 12\beta\gamma^3\omega\omega'' - 12\beta^2\gamma^2\omega\omega' + \\ & + 12\alpha\beta^3\omega - 6\beta^3\gamma\omega'' - 6\beta^4\omega'' + 6\alpha\beta\gamma^2\omega'). \end{aligned}$$

The derivative of the denominator is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -24\alpha^2\beta\gamma\omega' + 24\beta\gamma^3\omega'' + 3\alpha\beta^2\gamma\omega''' + 48\alpha\beta\gamma^2\omega'' - 12\beta\gamma^3\omega'' - \\
 & -12\beta^2\gamma^2\omega'^2 - 12\beta^2\gamma^2\omega'' + 12\alpha\beta^3\omega' - 6\beta^3\gamma\omega''' - 6\beta^4\omega'' + 6\alpha\beta^2\gamma\omega'''
 \end{aligned}$$

and we see that it is (-3) multiple of the numerator. From here we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varphi = k_2 / \sqrt[3]{\{ & (-6\beta^3\gamma + 6\alpha\beta\gamma^2)\omega'' - 12\beta\gamma^3\omega'' - 12\beta^2\gamma^2\omega\omega' + 18\beta\gamma^3\omega'^2 + \\
 & + (30\alpha\beta^2\gamma - 6\beta^4)\omega' + 24\alpha\beta\gamma^2\omega'^2 + (-24\alpha^2\beta\gamma + 12\alpha\beta^3)\omega + 6\alpha^3\beta\}}. \quad (5)
 \end{aligned}$$

We see that the expressions for φ in (4) and (5) differ by a multiplicative constant.

We arrive to a similar conclusion if we calculate φ'/φ from (2) and (3) too.

Let

$$\begin{aligned}
 a = 9\gamma^2\omega' + 3\alpha\beta, \quad b = 4\gamma^2\omega'' - 2\beta\gamma\omega', \quad d = -4\gamma^2\omega - 2\beta^2 + 2\alpha\gamma, \\
 A = -3\gamma^2\omega'' - 3\beta\gamma\omega' + 6\alpha\gamma\omega - 3\alpha^2, \quad B = -\gamma^2\omega''' - \beta\gamma\omega'' + 4\alpha\gamma\omega', \\
 D = 2\gamma^2\omega' + 2\alpha\beta. \quad (6)
 \end{aligned}$$

Then from (1) and (2) we obtain

$$\Omega - \omega + \frac{3}{2} \frac{\varphi''}{\varphi} = \frac{a}{d} \frac{\varphi'}{\varphi} + \frac{b}{d} = \frac{A}{D} \frac{\varphi'}{\varphi} + \frac{B}{D} \quad (7)$$

and from here we have $\varphi'/\varphi = (dB - Ad)/(aD - dA)$.

From (7) we obtain

$$\Omega - \omega + \frac{3}{2} \frac{\varphi''}{\varphi} = \frac{aB - bA}{aD - dA}.$$

Since $d/dt(\varphi'/\varphi) = (\varphi''\varphi - \varphi'^2)/(\varphi^2) = \varphi''/\varphi - (\varphi'/\varphi)^2$ we have

$$\Omega = \omega - \frac{3}{2} \left[\left(\frac{\varphi'}{\varphi} \right)' + \left(\frac{\varphi'}{\varphi} \right)^2 \right] + \frac{aB - bA}{aD - dA} \quad (8)$$

where $\varphi'/\varphi = (dB - bD)/(aD - dA)$.

The following theorem yields from the above mentioned investigations.

Theorem. There are given the third-order linear differential equations (ω) and (Ω) . Let $u = u(t)$ be a solution of (ω) . Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$, $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 > 0$. Then the function

$$U = \varrho(t) [\alpha u(t) + \beta u'(t) + \gamma u''(t)]$$

is a solution of (Ω) , where

$$\begin{aligned} \varrho(t) = & \hat{k}_1 / \sqrt[3]{|(-3\alpha\gamma^2 + 3\beta^2\gamma)\omega'' + (6\gamma^3 + 6\beta\gamma^2)\omega\omega' - \\ & - 9\gamma^3\omega'^2 + (3\beta^3 - 15\alpha\beta\gamma)\omega' - 12\alpha\gamma^2\omega^2 + (12\alpha^2\gamma - 6\alpha\beta^2)\omega - \\ & - 3\alpha^3|}, \quad \hat{k}_1 = k_1 / \sqrt[3]{|\gamma|}. \end{aligned}$$

The coefficient Ω in (Ω) is given by the formula (8), where the letters a, b, d, A, B, D stand for the expressions that they are given by the formulas (6).

Definition. The equation (Ω) , in which the coefficient Ω is given by (8) and $\Omega' = d/dt (\Omega(t))$, is called the associated differential equation to a selfadjoint third-order linear differential equation (ω) at a basis (α, β, γ) .

2. Example. In a special case with $\alpha = \gamma = 0$, $\beta = 1$, we get

$$\varrho = k / \sqrt[3]{|3\omega'|}. \quad (9)$$

The solution U of the differential equation (Ω) is given by the formula

$$U = u' / \sqrt[3]{|3\omega'|},$$

where u is a solution of (ω) , and the coefficient Ω by the formula

$$\Omega = \omega - \frac{3}{2}(\varrho''/\varrho). \quad (10)$$

If $\omega = \omega$ we say that the equation (ω) is associated to itself at the basis $(0,1,0)$.

(10) yields that it occurs in the case $\varrho'' = 0$. According to (9) we get

$$(k/\sqrt[3]{|3\omega'|})'' = 0$$

hence

$$\omega = ((-1/2c_1) \cdot (1/c_1 t + c_2)^2) + c_3 \quad ,$$

where $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$, $i = 1,2,3$.

SOUHRN

PRŮVODNÍ DIFERENCIÁLNÍ ROVNICE K SAMOADJUNGOVANÉ LINEÁRNÍ
DIFERENCIÁLNÍ ROVNICI 3.ŘÁDU

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V článku se definuje průvodní diferenciální rovnice při dané bázi k samoadjungované lineární diferenciální rovnici 3.řádu. Jde o rozšíření pojmu průvodní rovnice k lineární diferenciální rovnici 2.řádu Jacobiho typu [1].

РЕЗЮМЕ

СОПРОВОДИТЕЛЬНОЕ ДИФФЕРЕНЦИАЛЬНОЕ УРАВНЕНИЕ
К САМОСОПРЯЖЕННОМУ ЛИНЕЙНОМУ ДИФФЕРЕНЦИАЛЬНОМУ
УРАВНЕНИЮ 3-ЬЕГО ПОРЯДКА

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В работе определяется сопроводительное дифференциальное уравнение с данным базисом к самосопряженному линейному дифференциальному уравнению 3-ьего порядка.

Следует, речь идет о расширении понятия сопроводительного уравнения к линейному дифференциальному уравнению 2-ого порядка формы Якоби /1/.

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