

# Solving differential elimination problems with Thomas decomposition

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# 1. Introduction

## Theorem (Cauchy-Kovalevskaya, 1875)

The Cauchy problem

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial z_1} = \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{k=1}^m a_{1,j,k}(z_2, \dots, z_n, u_1, \dots, u_m) \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial z_j} + b_1(z_2, \dots, z_n, u_1, \dots, u_m), \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial z_1} = \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{k=1}^m a_{m,j,k}(z_2, \dots, z_n, u_1, \dots, u_m) \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial z_j} + b_m(z_2, \dots, z_n, u_1, \dots, u_m), \\ u_1(0, z_2, \dots, z_n) = 0 \quad \text{for all } z_2, \dots, z_n, \\ \vdots \\ u_m(0, z_2, \dots, z_n) = 0 \quad \text{for all } z_2, \dots, z_n, \end{array} \right.$$

where  $a_{i,j,k}$  and  $b_i$  are real analytic functions around the origin of  $\mathbb{R}^{m+n-1}$ , has a unique real analytic solution  $(u_1, \dots, u_m)$  in a neighborhood of  $(z_1, \dots, z_n) = (0, \dots, 0)$ .

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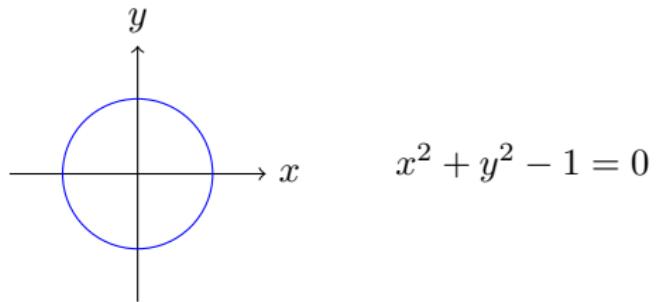
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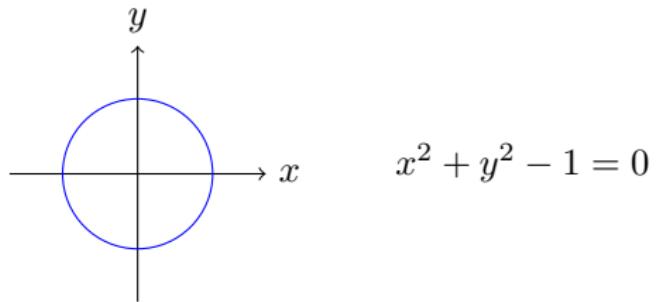
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one of the many simple systems of the Thomas decomposition:

$$v(t, r, \theta, z) = \left( -\frac{(t+c_2)F_1(t)}{r} - \frac{r}{2(t+c_2)}, \frac{(\theta+c_1)r}{t+c_2}, 0 \right),$$

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# Outline

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*Janet's algorithm* computes a vector space basis for power series solutions

(Maurice Janet,  $\sim 1920$ )

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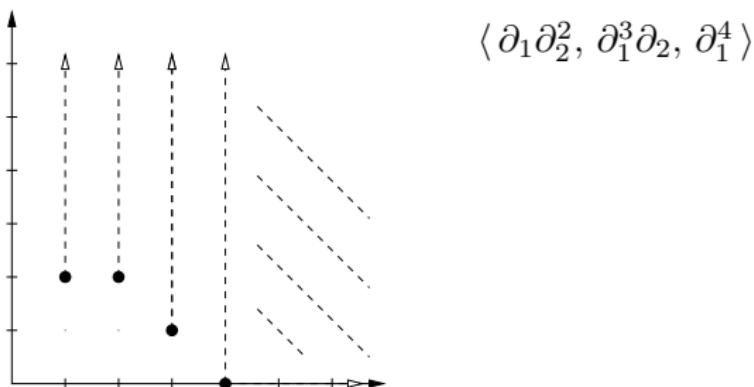
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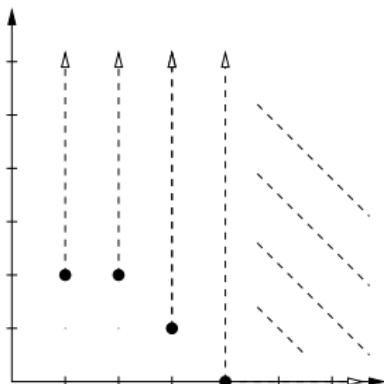
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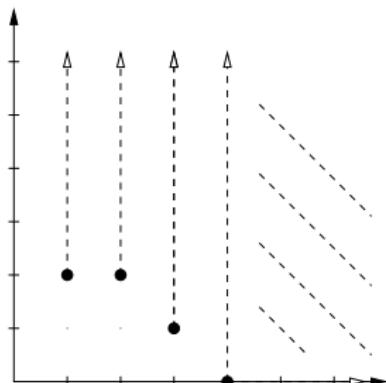
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Taylor coeff's for  $1, z, y, x, z^2, yz, xz, xy, z^3, xz^2, xyz, xz^3$  arbitrary,  
all other coeff's determined by linear equations

# Power series solutions

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = 0, \quad \{ * , \partial_y, \partial_z \},$$

$$\frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x^2 \partial y} = 0, \quad \{ * , \partial_y, \partial_z \},$$

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Janet decomposition of the set of parametric derivatives / generalized Hilbert series:

$$\begin{aligned} 1, & \quad \{ * , \partial_y, \partial_z \}, \\ \partial_x, & \quad \{ * , * , \partial_z \}, \\ \partial_x^2, & \quad \{ * , * , \partial_z \}, \quad \frac{1}{(1-\partial_y)(1-\partial_z)} + \frac{\partial_x}{1-\partial_z} + \frac{\partial_x^2}{1-\partial_z} + \frac{\partial_x^3}{1-\partial_x}. \\ \partial_x^3, & \quad \{ \partial_x, * , * \}. \end{aligned}$$

Accordingly, a formal power series solution  $u$  is uniquely determined as

$$u(x, y, z) = f_0(y, z) + x f_1(z) + x^2 f_2(z) + x^3 f_3(x)$$

by any choice of formal power series  $f_0, f_1, f_2, f_3$  of the indicated variables.

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where  $p_1, \dots, p_s$  and  $q_1, \dots, q_t$  are polynomials in  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  of  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  and their partial derivatives.

$\Omega$  open and connected subset of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with coordinates  $z_1, \dots, z_n$

The *solution set* of  $S$  on  $\Omega$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol}_\Omega(S) := & \{ f = (f_1, \dots, f_m) \mid f_k: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ analytic, } k = 1, \dots, m, \\ & p_i(f) = 0, q_j(f) \neq 0, i = 1, \dots, s, j = 1, \dots, t \}. \end{aligned}$$

Appropriate choice of  $\Omega$  is possible only *after* formal treatment.

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*Consequences* of the system obtained in a finite number of steps from:

- $p_1 = 0, p_2 = 0, \dots, p_s = 0$  are consequences,
- if  $p = 0$  is consequence, then any partial derivative of  $p = 0$  is,
- if  $p \cdot q = 0$  is consequence and  $q$  a factor of some  $q_i$ , then  $p = 0$  is consequence,
- if  $p = 0, r = 0$  are consequences, then  $a p + b r = 0$  is  
( $a, b$  differential polynomials)

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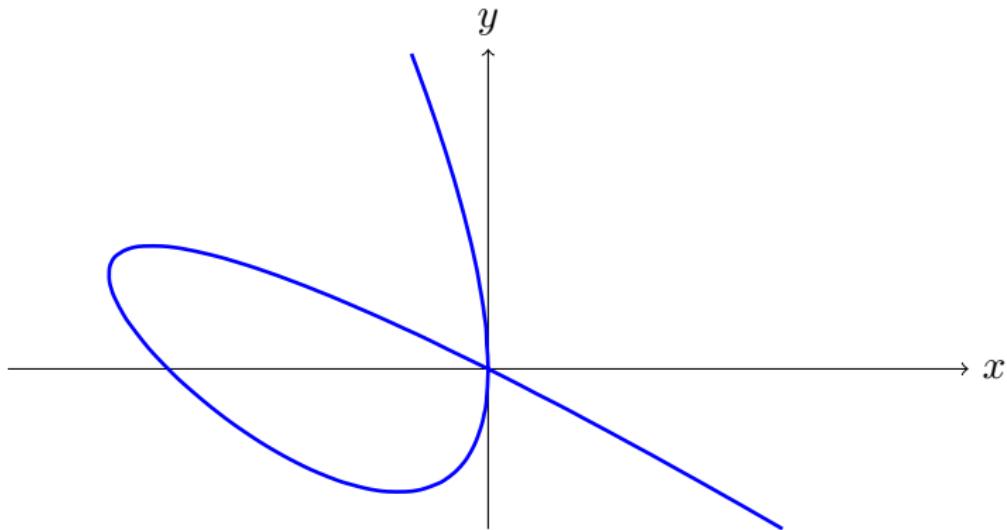
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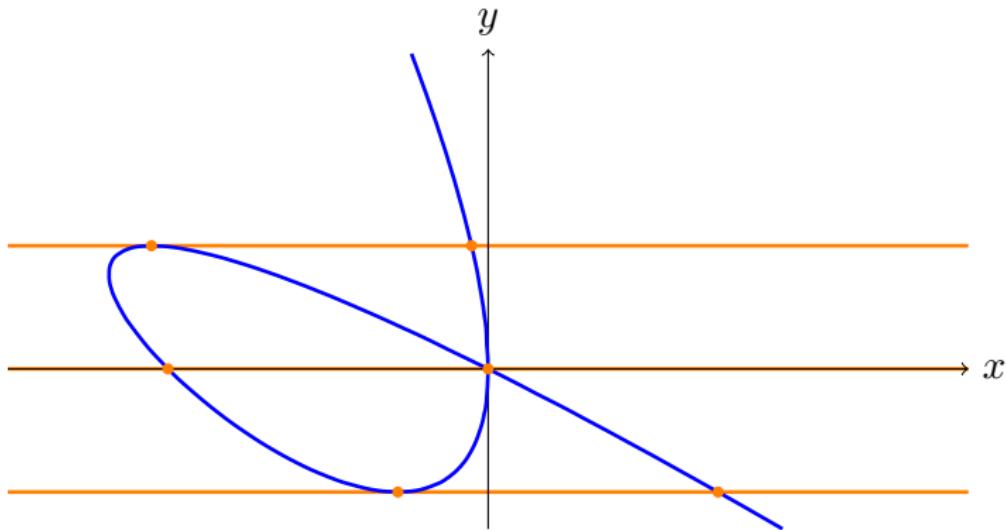
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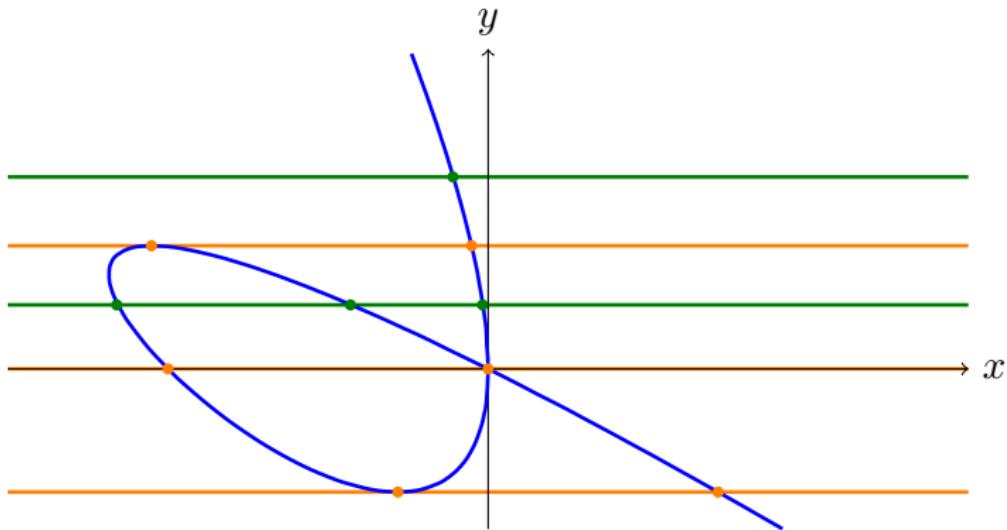
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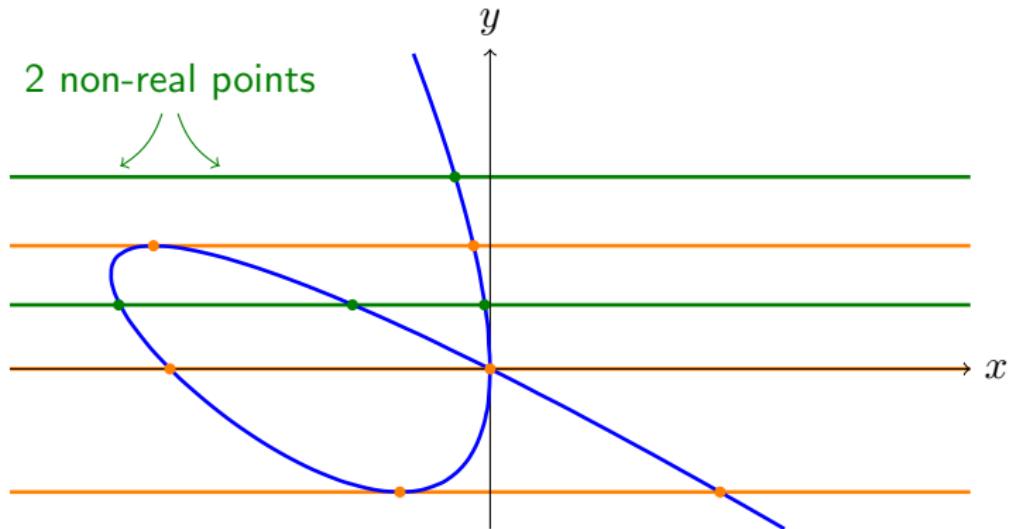
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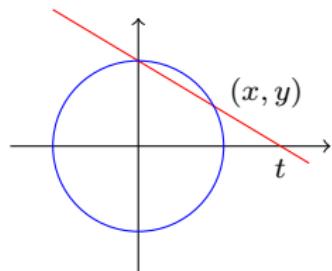
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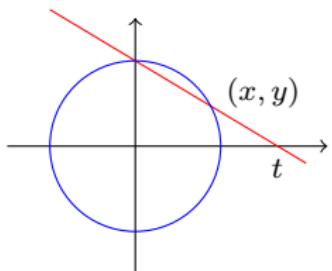
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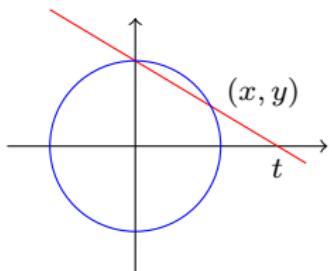
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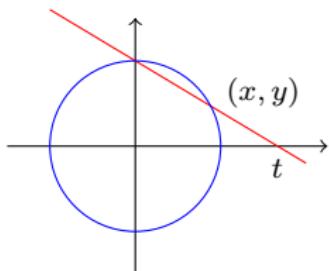


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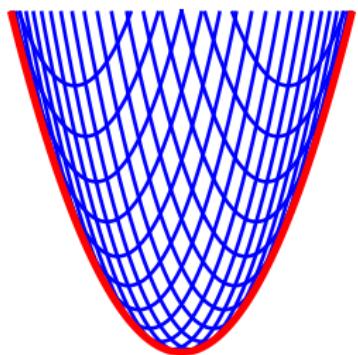
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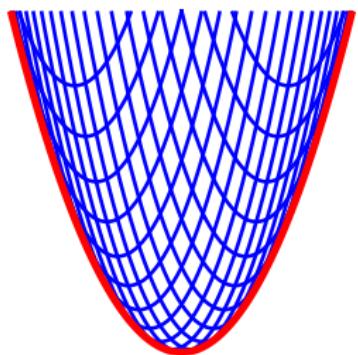
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# Implementation

Maple package DifferentialThomas (M. Lange-Hegermann)

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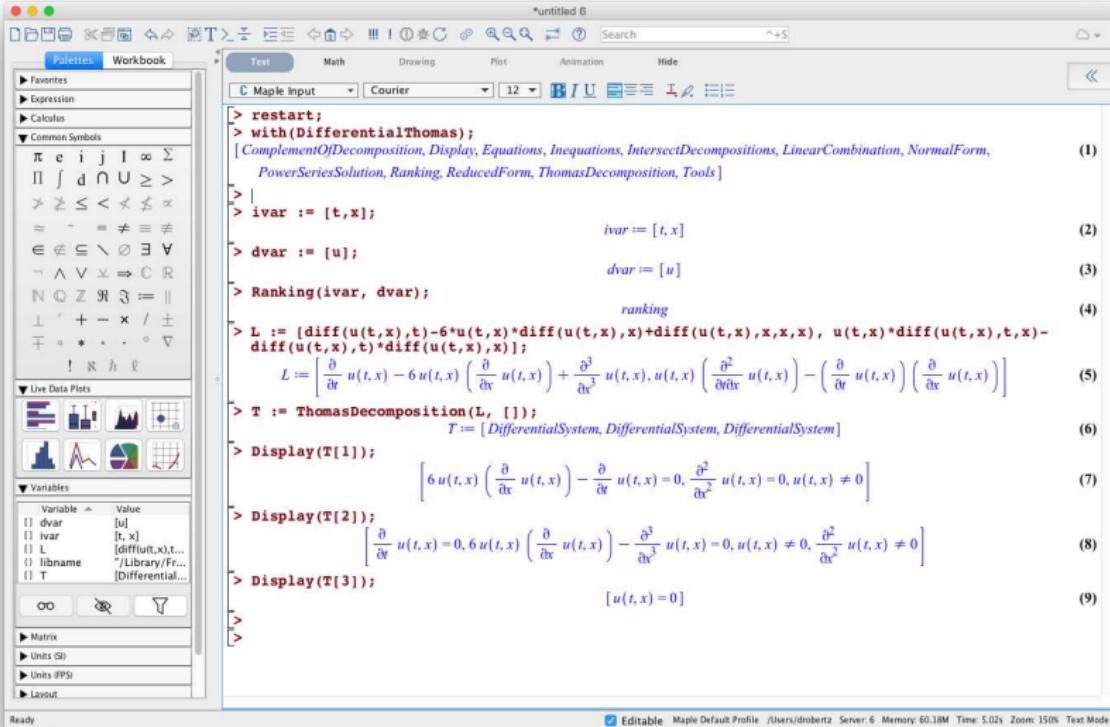
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DifferentialThomas in Maple 2018 (interface by E. S. Cheb-Terrab)

Maple 2018



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The screenshot shows the Maple 2018 Help interface. The title bar reads "Maple 2018 Help - [examples/DifferentialThomas]". The left sidebar displays a "Table of Contents" with categories like Maple, Examples, Applications, etc. The main content area is titled "Examples using the DifferentialThomas Package" and lists several examples:

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*Proof.* Let  $0 \neq p \in (E : q^\infty) \cap K\{V\}$ . Since  $S$  is simple,

$b p = R\text{-linear comb. of } p_1, \dots, p_s \text{ and their derivatives}$

By assumption, Janet divisor of  $b p$  is in  $K\{V\}$ .

Pseudo-reduction  $p \rightarrow 0$  in  $K\{V\}$ .

□

## 4. Nonlinear Control Theory

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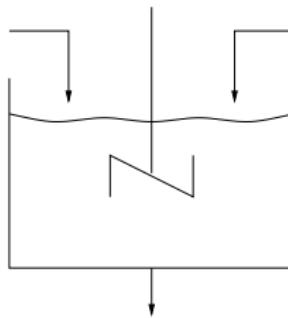
Def.

$Y \subseteq U$  is a *flat output*

$$\iff \begin{cases} (E : q^\infty) \cap K\{Y\} = \{0\} \\ \text{every } x \in U - Y \text{ is observable w.r.t. } Y \end{cases}$$

## Example

Stirred tank:



$$\begin{cases} \dot{V}(t) = F_1(t) + F_2(t) - k \sqrt{V(t)} \\ \frac{\dot{c}(t)}{V(t)} = c_1 F_1(t) + c_2 F_2(t) - c(t) k \sqrt{V(t)} \end{cases}$$

H. Kwakernaak, R. Sivan, *Linear Optimal Control Systems*, John Wiley & Sons, 1972.

## Example

$$R = \mathbb{Q}\{F_1, F_2, sV, c, c_1, c_2\}, \text{ ranking} > \text{s.t. } \{F_2, F_2\} \gg \{sV, c\} \gg \{c_1, c_2\}$$

```
> with(DifferentialThomas):  
  
> ivar := [t]: dvar := [F1,F2,sV,c,c1,c2]:  
  
> ComputeRanking(ivar, [[F1,F2],[sV,c],[c1,c2]]):  
  
> L := [2*sV[t]*sV-F1-F2+k*sV,  
c[t]*sV^2-c2*F2+c*k*sV-c1*F1+2*c*sV[t]*sV, c1[t], c2[t]]:  
  
> LL := Diff2JetList(Ind2Diff(L, ivar, dvar));  
  

$$LL := [2sV_1sV_0 - F1_0 - F2_0 + ksV_0,$$
  

$$c_1sV_0^2 - c2_0F2_0 + c_0ksV_0 - c1_0F1_0 + 2c_0sV_1sV_0, c1_1, c2_1]$$
  
  
> TD := DifferentialThomasDecomposition(LL,  
[sV[0],c1[0],c2[0]]);  
  

$$TD := [\text{DifferentialSystem}, \text{DifferentialSystem}, \text{DifferentialSystem}]$$

```

## Example

```
> Print(TD[1]);
```

$$\begin{aligned} & [c2 \underline{F1} - c1 \underline{F1} + 2 csVsV_t - 2 c2 sVsV_t + c_t sV^2 + cksV - c2 ksV = 0, \\ & \quad c1 \underline{F2} - c2 \underline{F2} + 2 csVsV_t - 2 c1 sVsV_t + c_t sV^2 + cksV - c1 ksV = 0, \\ & \quad \underline{c1}_t = 0, \quad \underline{c2}_t = 0, \quad \underline{c2} \neq 0, \quad \underline{c1} \neq 0, \quad \underline{c1} - \underline{c2} \neq 0, \quad \underline{sV} \neq 0] \end{aligned}$$

```
> collect(%[1], F1);
```

$$(c2 - c1) F1 + 2 csVsV_t - 2 c2 sVsV_t + c_t sV^2 + cksV - c2 ksV = 0$$

```
> collect(%[2], F2);
```

$$(c1 - c2) F2 + 2 csVsV_t - 2 c1 sVsV_t + c_t sV^2 + cksV - c1 ksV = 0$$

$\Rightarrow F_1, F_2$  observable with respect to  $\{c, sV\}$

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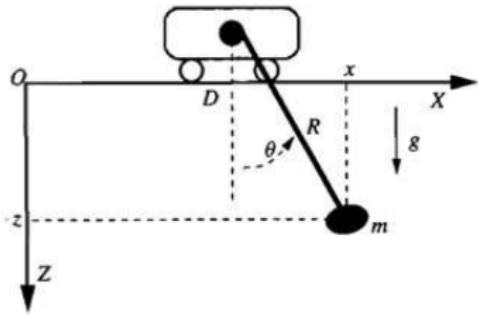
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> Print(TD[2]);  
[ $c\underline{F1} - c2 \underline{F1} + cF2 - c2 F2 + c_t s V^2 = 0,$   
 $2 c s \underline{V}_t - 2 c2 s \underline{V}_t + c_t s V + c k - c2 k = 0, \quad \underline{c1} - c2 = 0, \quad \underline{c2}_t = 0,$   
 $\underline{c2} \neq 0, \quad \underline{c} - c2 \neq 0, \quad \underline{sV} \neq 0]$   
  
> Print(TD[3]);  
[ $\underline{F1} + F2 - 2 s V s \underline{V}_t - k s V = 0, \quad \underline{c} - c2 = 0, \quad \underline{c1} - c2 = 0, \quad \underline{c2}_t = 0,$   
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conditions  $c_1 = c_2$  and  $(c_1)_t = (c_2)_t = 0$  preclude control of the concentration in the tank

## Example

2-D crane:



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} m \ddot{x} & = & -T \sin \theta \\ m \ddot{z} & = & -T \cos \theta + m g \\ x & = & R \sin \theta + d \\ z & = & R \cos \theta \end{array} \right.$$

M. Fliess, J. Lévine, P. Martin, P. Rouchon, *Flatness and defect of non-linear systems: introductory theory and examples*, Internat. J. Control 61(6), 1327–1361, 1995.

## Example

$$\mathbb{Q}(m, g)\{T, s, c, d, R, x, z\}$$

block ranking > satisfying  $\{T, s, c, d, R\} \gg \{x, z\}$

```
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> ivar := [t]: dvar := [T,s,c,d,R,x,z]:  
  
> ComputeRanking(ivar, [[T,s,c,d,R],[x,z]]):  
  
> TD := DifferentialThomasDecomposition(  
[m*x[2]+T[0]*s[0], m*z[2]+T[0]*c[0]-m*g,  
x[0]-R[0]*s[0]-d[0], z[0]-R[0]*c[0], c[0]^2+s[0]^2-1],  
[]);  
  
TD := [DifferentialSystem, DifferentialSystem, DifferentialSystem,  
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DifferentialSystem]
```

## Example

```
> Print(TD[2]);  
[z\underline{T} + mz_{t,t}R - mgR = 0, z_{t,t}R\underline{s} - gR\underline{s} - zx_{t,t} = 0, R\underline{c} - z = 0,  
z_{t,t}\underline{d} - g\underline{d} + zx_{t,t} - xz_{t,t} + gx = 0,  
z_{t,t}^2\underline{R}^2 - 2gz_{t,t}\underline{R}^2 + g^2\underline{R}^2 - z^2{x_{t,t}}^2 - z^2{z_{t,t}}^2 + 2gz^2z_{t,t} - g^2z^2 = 0,  
\underline{z} \neq 0, z_{t,t} - g \neq 0, \underline{x_{t,t}} \neq 0, \underline{{x_{t,t}}^2} + {z_{t,t}}^2 - 2gz_{t,t} + g^2 \neq 0]
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```
> collect(%[5], R, factor);
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$$(z_{t,t} - g)^2 R^2 - z^2 (x_{t,t}^2 + z_{t,t}^2 - 2gz_{t,t} + g^2) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow T, s, c, d, R$  observable with respect to  $\{x, z\}$

$(E : q^\infty) \cap \mathbb{Q}\{x, z\} = \{0\} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \{x, z\}$  is flat output

## Example

> Print(TD[1]);

$$[\underline{T} = 0, \quad R\underline{s} + d - x = 0, \quad R\underline{c} - z = 0, \quad \underline{d}^2 - 2x\underline{d} + x^2 - R^2 + z^2 = 0, \\ \underline{x}_{t,t} = 0, \quad \underline{z}_{t,t} - g = 0, \quad \underline{z} \neq 0, \quad \underline{R} \neq 0, \quad \underline{R} + z \neq 0, \quad \underline{R} - z \neq 0]$$

> Print(TD[3]);

$$[\underline{T} - mz_{t,t} + mg = 0, \quad \underline{s} = 0, \quad \underline{c} + 1 = 0, \quad \underline{d} - x = 0, \quad \underline{R} + z = 0, \\ \underline{x}_{t,t} = 0, \quad \underline{z} \neq 0]$$

> Print(TD[4]);

$$[\underline{T} + mz_{t,t} - mg = 0, \quad \underline{s} = 0, \quad \underline{c} - 1 = 0, \quad \underline{d} - x = 0, \quad \underline{R} - z = 0, \\ \underline{x}_{t,t} = 0, \quad \underline{z} \neq 0]$$

> Print(TD[5]);

$$[c\underline{T} - mg = 0, \quad g\underline{s} + x_{t,t}c = 0, \quad g^2\underline{c}^2 + x_{t,t}^2\underline{c}^2 - g^2 = 0, \quad \underline{d} - x = 0, \quad \underline{R} = 0, \\ \underline{z} = 0, \quad \underline{x}_{t,t} \neq 0, \quad \underline{x}_{t,t}^2 + g^2 \neq 0]$$

> Print(TD[6]);

$$[\underline{T} + mg = 0, \quad \underline{s} = 0, \quad \underline{c} + 1 = 0, \quad \underline{d} - x = 0, \quad \underline{R} = 0, \quad \underline{x}_{t,t} = 0, \quad \underline{z} = 0]$$

> Print(TD[7]);

$$[\underline{T} - mg = 0, \quad \underline{s} = 0, \quad \underline{c} - 1 = 0, \quad \underline{d} - x = 0, \quad \underline{R} = 0, \quad \underline{x}_{t,t} = 0, \quad \underline{z} = 0]$$

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