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$$\begin{aligned} \#2 \quad (a) \quad \mathcal{L}(u+v) &= (u+v)_x + x(u+v)_y = u_x + v_x + xu_y + xv_y \\ &= u_x + xu_y + v_x + xv_y = \mathcal{L}(u) + \mathcal{L}(v) \\ \mathcal{L}(ku) &= (ku)_x + x(ku)_y = k(u_x + xu_y) = k\mathcal{L}(u) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(u+v) \\ \mathcal{L}(ku) \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{Linear}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad \mathcal{L}(u+v) &= (u+v)_x + (u+v)(u+v)_y = u_x + v_x + (u+v)(u_y + v_y) \\ &= u_x + uu_y + v_x + vv_y + uv_y + vu_y \\ &= \mathcal{L}(u) + \mathcal{L}(v) + \underbrace{uv_y + vu_y}_{\text{not always zero}} \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(u+v) \\ \mathcal{L}(u) + \mathcal{L}(v) \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{Nonlinear}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \quad \mathcal{L}(u+v) &= (u+v)_x + (u+v)_y^2 = u_x + v_x + (u_y + v_y)^2 \\ &= u_x + u_y^2 + v_x + v_y^2 + 2u_y v_y \\ &= \mathcal{L}(u) + \mathcal{L}(v) + \underbrace{2u_y v_y}_{\text{not always zero}} \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(u+v) \\ \mathcal{L}(u) + \mathcal{L}(v) \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{Nonlinear}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (d) \quad \mathcal{L}(u+v) &= (u+v)_x + (u+v)_y + 1 \\ &= u_x + u_y + 1 + v_x + v_y + 1 - 1 \\ &= \mathcal{L}(u) + \mathcal{L}(v) - \underbrace{1}_{\text{not zero}} \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(u+v) \\ \mathcal{L}(u) + \mathcal{L}(v) \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{Nonlinear}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (e) \quad \mathcal{L}(u+v) &= \sqrt{1+x^2} \cos(y)(u+v)_x + (u+v)_{yxy} - \left[\arctan\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right] (u+v) \\ &= \sqrt{1+x^2} \cos(y) u_x + u_{yxy} - \left[\arctan\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right] u + \sqrt{1+x^2} \cos(y) v_x + v_{yxy} - \left[\arctan\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right] v \\ &= \mathcal{L}(u) + \mathcal{L}(v) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\#2(e) \text{ (cont.) } \mathcal{L}(ku) &= \sqrt{1+x^2} \cos(y) (ku)_x + (ku)_{yxy} - \left[\arctan\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right] (ku) \\ &= k \left\{ \sqrt{1+x^2} \cos(y) u_x + u_{yxy} - \left[\arctan\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \right] u \right\} \\ &= k \mathcal{L}(u)\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \mathcal{L}$ is linear.

- #3 (a) $u_t - u_{xx} + 1 = 0$ Second order, linear, inhomogeneous
- (b) $u_t - u_{xx} + xu = 0$ Second order, linear, homogeneous
- (c) $u_t - u_{xxt} + (uu_x) = 0$ Third order, nonlinear
- (d) $u_{tt} - u_{xx} + x^2 = 0$ Second order, linear, inhomogeneous
- (e) $iu_t - u_{xx} + \frac{1}{x}u = 0$ Second order, linear, homogeneous
- (f) $u_x(1+u_x^2)^{-1/2} + u_y(1+u_y^2)^{-1/2} = 0$ First order, nonlinear
- (g) $u_x + e^y u_y = 0$ First order, linear, homogeneous
- (h) $u_t + u_{xxxx} + \sqrt{1+u} = 0$ Fourth order, nonlinear

#5 (a) $V_1 = \{ [a, b, c] \in \mathbb{R}^3 : b = 0 \}$ is a vector space because it is a subset of the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 which is closed under the operations of addition of vectors and scalar multiplication:

$$[a_1, 0, c_1] + [a_2, 0, c_2] = [a_1 + a_2, 0, c_1 + c_2] \in V_1,$$

$$k[a, 0, c] = [ka, 0, kc] \in V_1.$$

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#5(b) $V_2 = \{ [a, b, c] \in \mathbb{R}^3 : b = 1 \}$ is not a vector space because it is not closed under addition of vectors:

$$[a_1, 1, c_1] + [a_2, 1, c_2] = [a_1 + a_2, 2, c_1 + c_2] \notin V_2.$$

(c) $V_3 = \{ [a, b, c] \in \mathbb{R}^3 : ab = 0 \}$ is not a vector space because it is not closed under addition of vectors:

$$[0, 1, c_1] + [1, 0, c_2] = [1, 1, c_1 + c_2] \notin V_3.$$

(d) $V_4 = \{ k_1 [1, 1, 0] + k_2 [2, 0, 1] \in \mathbb{R}^3 : k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{R} \}$ is a vector space because it is a subset of the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 which is closed under the operations of addition of vectors and scalar multiplication:

$$k_1 [1, 1, 0] + k_2 [2, 0, 1] + k'_1 [1, 1, 0] + k'_2 [2, 0, 1] = \underbrace{(k_1 + k'_1) [1, 1, 0] + (k_2 + k'_2) [2, 0, 1]}_{\in V_4},$$

$$k(k_1 [1, 1, 0] + k_2 [2, 0, 1]) = kk_1 [1, 1, 0] + kk_2 [2, 0, 1] \in V_4. \quad \in V_4$$

(e) $V_5 = \{ [a, b, c] \in \mathbb{R}^3 : c - a = 2b \}$ is a vector space because it is a subset of the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 which is closed under the operations of addition of vectors and scalar multiplication:

$$\left[a_1, \frac{c_1 - a_1}{2}, c_1 \right] + \left[a_2, \frac{c_2 - a_2}{2}, c_2 \right] = \left[a_1 + a_2, \frac{c_1 + c_2 - (a_1 + a_2)}{2}, c_1 + c_2 \right] \in V_5,$$

$$k \left[a, \frac{c - a}{2}, c \right] = \left[ka, \frac{kc - ka}{2}, kc \right] \in V_5.$$

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#7 Suppose that $c_1(1+x) + c_2(1-x) + c_3(1+x+x^2) = 0$ for some constants c_1, c_2, c_3 . Then

$$(c_1 + c_2 + c_3) + (c_1 - c_2 + c_3)x + c_3x^2 = 0,$$

and so $c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = c_1 - c_2 + c_3 = c_3 = 0$. (The only polynomial equal to zero for arbitrary x is the one whose coefficients all vanish.) It follows that $c_3 = 0$ and $c_1 + c_2 = 0 = c_1 - c_2$. From the last string of equalities, we have (upon addition of equations) that $2c_1 = 0$. Hence $c_1 = 0$ and consequently $c_2 = 0$ as well. We have shown that the only choice of constants c_1, c_2 , and c_3 such that

$$c_1(1+x) + c_2(1-x) + c_3(1+x+x^2) = 0$$

is the trivial choice $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$. Therefore $1+x$, $1-x$, and $1+x+x^2$ are linearly independent functions.

#9 $V = \{c_1 + c_2 \sin^2(x) + c_3 \cos^2(x) : c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is a vector space because it is a subset of the vector space of all functions on \mathbb{R} which is closed under addition of functions and scalar multiplication:

$$c_1 + c_2 \sin^2(x) + c_3 \cos^2(x) + c'_1 + c'_2 \sin^2(x) + c'_3 \cos^2(x)$$

$$= (c_1 + c'_1) + (c_2 + c'_2) \sin^2(x) + (c_3 + c'_3) \cos^2(x) \in V,$$

$$k[c_1 + c_2 \sin^2(x) + c_3 \cos^2(x)] = kc_1 + kc_2 \sin^2(x) + kc_3 \cos^2(x) \in V.$$

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#9 (cont.) Using the Pythagorean identity $\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) = 1$, we see that

$$c_1 + c_2 \sin^2(x) + c_3 \cos^2(x) = (c_1 + c_3) + (c_2 - c_3) \sin^2(x).$$

Because the functions 1 and $\sin^2(x)$ are linearly independent, it follows that V is two-dimensional and $\{1, \sin^2(x)\}$ is a basis for V .

#10 Let $S = \{u : u''' - 3u'' + 4u = 0\}$, and let $u_1, u_2 \in S$, $k \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then $u_1''' - 3u_1'' + 4u_1 = 0$ and $u_2''' - 3u_2'' + 4u_2 = 0$. Adding equations and using linearity of differentiation, we find

$$(u_1 + u_2)''' - 3(u_1 + u_2)'' + 4(u_1 + u_2) = 0.$$

That is, $u_1 + u_2 \in S$. Likewise,

$$(ku_1)''' - 3(ku_1)'' + 4(ku_1) = k \overbrace{(u_1''' - 3u_1'' + 4u_1)}^0 = 0$$

so $ku_1 \in S$. Thus S is a subset of the vector space of thrice differentiable functions which is closed under addition of functions and scalar multiplication, and consequently S is a vector space.

To find a basis for S , consider $u = e^{mx}$ where m is a constant to be determined so that $u = e^{mx}$ belongs to S . Then

$$m^3 e^{mx} - 3m^2 e^{mx} + 4e^{mx} = u''' - 3u'' + 4u = 0$$

so (dividing through by e^{mx}) we have $m^3 - 3m^2 + 4 = 0$. But

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#10 (cont.) This factors as $(m-2)(m^2-m-2) = 0$ or

$$(m-2)(m-2)(m+1) = 0. \text{ Thus } m = -1 \text{ or } m = 2 \text{ (double root).}$$

It follows from elementary ODE theory that

$$u = (c_1 + c_2 x)e^{2x} + c_3 e^{-x}$$

is the general solution of $u''' - 3u'' + 4u = 0$ (as one can easily check).

Thus S is three-dimensional with basis $\{e^{2x}, xe^{2x}, e^{-x}\}$.

#11 Let f and g be differentiable functions of one variable and let

$$u(x, y) = f(x)g(y). \text{ Then } u_x = f'(x)g(y), \quad u_y = f(x)g'(y), \text{ and}$$

$$u_{xy} = f'(x)g'(y) \text{ so}$$

$$u u_{xy} - u_x u_y = f(x)g(y)f'(x)g'(y) - f'(x)g(y)f(x)g'(y) = 0;$$

that is, $u(x, y) = f(x)g(y)$ is a solution of the PDE $u u_{xy} = u_x u_y$.

#12 Let $n > 0$ and consider $u_n(x, y) = \sin(nx) \sinh(ny)$. Then

$$(u_n)_x = n \cos(nx) \sinh(ny), \quad (u_n)_{xx} = -n^2 \sin(nx) \sinh(ny),$$

$$(u_n)_y = n \sin(nx) \cosh(ny), \quad (u_n)_{yy} = n^2 \sin(nx) \sinh(ny). \text{ Consequently}$$

$$(u_n)_{xx} + (u_n)_{yy} = -n^2 \sin(nx) \sinh(ny) + n^2 \sin(nx) \sinh(ny) = 0.$$