FIRST ORDER SYSTEMS OF ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS ALLOWING A GIVEN 3-DIMENSIONAL LIE GROUP AS A SUBGROUP OF THEIR SYMMETRY GROUP

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Many research are done to find Lie symmetries for existing systems in physical and engineering sciences ([4]). Applications of symmetry groups to understand and find the solutions of differential equations go back to work of Sophus Lie ([5], [7]). He classified the Lie groups given by the Lie algebras of their infinitesimal generators which act either on the complex line or on the complex plane (cf. [6], pp. 767–773, [3], p. 1164). Furthermore, he improved a method in [6], Section X, pp. 243–248, to receive the ordinary differential equations which admit a given Lie group as a group of their symmetries. Using the method of Lie, we formulate the appropriate necessary condition for a system of first order ordinary differential equations allowing a given Lie group as a group of their symmetries.

In this talk I would like to show how we determine the first order systems of ordinary differential equations such that their group of symmetries contains a three-dimensional Lie subgroup G. We represent the basis vectors of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G by vector fields in the three-dimensional real space ([6], [2]). Two cases are distinguished according whether the infinitesimal generators of \mathfrak{g} do not contain any component or contain component with respect to the independent variable of the system.

Our results can be found in [1].

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