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Professional Summary

Since 1957, my research interests have been concerned mainly with ordinary differential equations having meromorphic coefficients on a region of the complex plane. During the last 25 years, the principal objects of my study have been relative invariants associated with particular kinds of differential equations. A relative invariant is a differential polynomial into which coefficients of differential equations can be substituted to exhibit invariant properties of equations under the two general types of transformations. Thus, the subject can be viewed as a very interesting area of differential algebra that has had only one recent explorer. Were it not for the guidance provided by computer-generated examples, the number of current explorers would likely be zero.

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Education

Institution: University of Cincinnati Cincinnati, Ohio 45221 Ph.D. 1958 Mathematics

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Research and Practice Interests

My most recent publications are:

Basic Global Relative Invariants for Nonlinear Differential Equations, *Memoirs of the American Mathematical Society* 190 (November 2007), Number 888 (pages 1-365 + xii).

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My principal research during the years 1995-2001 was published in March of 2002 as the Memoir of the American Mathematical Society (Number 744) titled "Basic Global Relative Invariants for Homogeneous Linear Differential Equations." That Memoir presents remarkable new results of a rigorous nature for a subject that defied adequate treatment by mathematicians during the years from 1888 to 1989. It is completely self-contained and consists of 204 + eleven pages. In particular, it presents simple explicit formulas for all of the basic relative invariants possessed by homogeneous linear differential equations. During the years 2001-2006, those results were extended to provide all of the basic relative invariants for general classes of nonlinear differential equations. The latter results were published in November of 2007 as the Memoir of the American Mathematical Society (Number 888) titled "Basic Global Relative Invariants for Nonlinear Differential Equations." It is also completely self-contained and it consists of 365 + twelve pages.

During the years 2006-2011, I have completed a thorough investigation about the various ways that two given relative invariants can be used to construct additional relative invariants. This area of research was practically untouched by previous investigators. Yet its precise development is essential for the main task of explicitly specifying all of the relative invariants having a given weight in terms of the basic relative invariants. I am currently preparing a monograph about this research. The results apply to any two relative invariants for any one of the classes of differential equations that I have previously examined. Currently, at least three more chapters must be written before I consider the monograph to be ready for publication.

We note in December of 2012 that the subject of relative invariants for differential equations will likely be mainly identified with my discoveries and developments during the last 25 years. Thus, I have a special responsibility to present my results carefully and as a recognizable branch of modern mathematics. In particular, a relative invariant is a type of differential polynomial and the subject can be viewed as a previously undeveloped area of differential algebra. The monograph that I have been working on since 2007 is now almost ready for submission. I have recently delayed sending it away until the newest version of MATHEMATICA, the just-released-in-December-of-2012-Version 9.0, could be checked and cited in my monograph for its suitability in regard to the computations. Unfortunately for the folks associated with MATHEMATICA, my programs immediately caught two very serious errors in its software. While Version 7.0 was completely reliable and Version 8.0 was satisfactory, Version 9.0 returns 1 as the evaluation of $\text{Sum}[1, \{k, k+1, m\}]$ when it should return $m - k$; also, Version 9.0 returns 1 as the evaluation of $\text{Binomial}[-1, -1]$ when it should return 0. They are significant bugs and I reported them immediately to the software engineers at Wolfram Inc. (as I had done earlier with bugs in the software for Versions 5.0 and 6.0). Because some of my research involves extremely complicated differential polynomials that can be computed in two completely different manners, it becomes obvious that something is wrong when the two methods yield different results. Then, the challenge is to isolate the difficulties as I have recently done.

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