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Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE): let n \in \mathbb{N} and let f: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \to \mathbb{R} then f(x, y(x), y'(x), \dots, y^{(n)}(x)) = 0.
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Solution of an Ordinary Differential Equation: let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and let  $f : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \to \mathbb{R}$  then a function  $y \in C^n(\mathcal{U})$  such that  $f(x, y(x), \dots, y^{(n)}(x)) = 0$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{U}$ .

**Notation:** let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and let  $f : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \to \mathbb{R}$  then

$$sols (f(x, y(x), y'(x), \dots y^{(n)}(x)) = 0) = \{y \in C^{n}(\mathcal{U}) \mid f(x, y(x), \dots, y^{(n)}(x)) = 0\}.$$

First Order Ordinary Differential Equation: let  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}$  then f(x, y, y') = 0.

**Separable Ordinary Differential Equation:** let  $f, g : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  then y' = f(y) g(x).

Claim Separation of Variables: let  $f,g:\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(x)\neq 0$  for all  $x\in\mathbb{R}$  then

 $\operatorname{sols}(y' = f(y) g(x)) = \operatorname{sols}\left(\int \frac{1}{f(y)} dy = \int g(x) dx\right).$ 

Corollary: sols  $(y = y') = \{Ce^x \mid C \in \mathbb{R}\}.$ 

Curves that foliate a domain: Let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  and let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  then a set of curves  $\{\gamma_\alpha\} \subseteq I \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\biguplus \gamma_i = \Omega$ .

**Claim**: sols (y = y') foliate the plane.

**Remark:** let  $f: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \to \mathbb{R}$  and let  $g \in \text{sols}(f(x, y, \dots, y^{(n)}))$  such that g is piecewise continuous then each continuous branch of g is a solution of the ODE.

Initial Value Problem (IVP): let  $f: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \to \mathbb{R}$  and let  $p \in \mathbb{R}^2$  then  $\left\{ egin{array}{l} f(x,y',\dots y^{(n)})=0 \\ y(p_1)=p_2 \end{array} \right.$ . Theorem Cauchy-Peano: let  $I,J\subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be closed intervals let  $f\in C^1\left(I\times J\right)$  and let  $p\in \operatorname{int}\left(I\times J\right)$  then there exists  $\varepsilon>0$ such that  $\begin{cases} y'=f(x,y) \\ y(p_1)=p_2 \end{cases}$  has a solution on the interval  $(p_1-\varepsilon,p_1+\varepsilon)$ .

Theorem of Existence and Uniqueness: let  $I, J \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be closed intervals let  $f \in C^1(I \times J)$  and let  $p \in \operatorname{int}(I \times J)$  then there exists  $\varepsilon>0$  such that  $\left\{ egin{array}{ll} y'=f(x,y) \\ y(p_1)=p_2 \end{array} 
ight.$  has a unique solution on the interval  $(p_1-\varepsilon,p_1+\varepsilon).$ 

Corollary: let  $I,J\subseteq\mathbb{R}$  be closed intervals and let  $f\in C^{1}\left(I\times J\right)$  then sols  $(y'=f\left(x,y\right))$  foliates  $I\times J$ .

**Vector Field:** let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be a domain then  $\nu \in C(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^2)$ .

**Integral curve**: let  $\nu:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}^2$  be a vector field then a curve  $\gamma:[a,b]\to\Omega$  such that  $\frac{d\gamma}{dt}(t)=\nu(g(t))$ .

Claim: let  $\nu:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}^2$  be a vector field such that  $v(x)\neq 0$  for all  $x\in\Omega$  and let  $\gamma:[a,b]\to\Omega$  be a curve such that  $v\left(\gamma\left(t\right)\right)\in T_{\gamma\left(t\right)}\left(\mathrm{Im}\left(\gamma\right)\right)$  for all  $t\in\left[a,b\right]$  then there exists a curve  $\eta:\left[\alpha,\beta\right]\to\left[a,b\right]$  such that  $\gamma\circ\eta$  is an integral curve.  $C^n$  Vector Field: let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be a domain then  $\nu \in C^n$   $(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^2)$ .

Claim: let  $\nu:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}^2$  be a  $C^1$  vector field then  $\{\gamma:[a,b]\to\Omega\mid (a,b\in\mathbb{R})\land (\gamma \text{ is an integral curve of }\nu)\}$  foliates  $\Omega$ .

**Theorem Peano**: let  $\nu:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}^2$  be a vector field then  $\{\gamma:[a,b]\to\Omega\mid (a,b\in\mathbb{R})\land (\gamma \text{ is an integral curve of }\nu)\}$  covers  $\Omega$ .

**Lemma:** let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be a domain and let  $f \in C^1(\Omega)$  then  $\binom{1}{f}$  is a vector field.

Theorem of Existence and Uniqueness: let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be a domain let  $f \in C^1(\Omega)$  and let  $g \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$  then

 $(g' = f(x,g)) \iff (( {x \atop g}) \text{ is an integral curve of } ( {1 \atop f})).$ 

Autonomous Ordinary Differential Equations: let  $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  then y' = f(y).

**Logistic Equation:** let L > 0 then  $\dot{P}(t) = P(t)(L - P(t))$ .

**Equilibrium Solution**: let  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  then a function  $g \in \text{sols}(y' = f(y))$  such that f(g(x)) = 0 for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Corollary:** let  $f \in C(\mathbb{R})$  and let  $g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be an equilibrium solution then g is constant.

Corollary: let L>0 then  $\{0,L\}$  are the equilibrium solutions of the logistic equation.

**Logistic Equation With Harvesting:** let L, k > 0 then  $\dot{P}(t) = P(t)(L - P(t)) - k$ .

**Stable Equilibrium Solution:** let  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  then an equilibrium solution  $g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  such that for all  $y \in \text{sols}(y' = f(y))$  and for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  if there exists  $\delta > 0$  and  $p \in \mathbb{R}$  for which  $|y(p) - g(p)| < \delta$  then  $|y(t) - g(t)| < \varepsilon$  for all t > p.

**Notation:** let X be a set and let  $\gamma: \mathbb{R} \to X$  then  $\dot{\gamma} = \frac{d\gamma}{dt}$ .

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**Remark:** the notation  $\dot{\gamma}, \ddot{\gamma}$  is often used when  $\gamma$  is a function of time.

System of Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE): let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $m \in \mathbb{N}_+$  and let  $f : \mathbb{R} \times (\mathbb{R}^m)^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  then  $f(t, y(t), y'(t), \dots y^{(n)}(t)) = 0.$ 

Remark: all the theory of first order ODEs also applies to vectors of first order ODEs.

**Lotka–Volterra equations:** let  $\alpha>0$  then  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{x}(t)=x(t)\cdot(1-y(t))\\ \dot{y}(t)=\alpha\cdot y(t)\cdot(x(t)-1) \end{array} \right.$ 

Claim: let  $\alpha > 0$  then  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  are the equilibrium solutions of the lotka-volterra equation.

Conserved Quantity: let  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $f: \mathcal{U} \to \mathbb{R}$  then a function  $g \in C^1(\mathcal{U})$  such that  $g \circ y$  is constant for all  $y \in \text{sols}(y' = f(y)).$ 

Claim: let  $\alpha > 0$  and let  $\binom{x}{y} \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$  be a solution to the lotka-volterra equation then

 $\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\left(\left(y\left(t\right)-1-\log\left(y\left(t\right)\right)\right)+\alpha\left(x\left(t\right)-1-\log\left(x\left(t\right)\right)\right)\right)=0.$ 

and  $\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T y dt = 1$ .

Claim Linear Substitution: let  $a,b,c\in\mathbb{R}$  let  $f:\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$  and let  $y\in\operatorname{sols}\left(y'=f\left(ax+by+c\right)\right)$  then the function  $z:\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$ which defined by z(x) = ax + by + c satisfies z' = a + bf(z).

Notation: let  $\Omega\subseteq\mathbb{R}^2$  be a domain let  $f:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}$  and let  $p\in\mathbb{R}^2$  then  $(\alpha_-,\alpha_+)$  is the maximal interval where a solution to  $\begin{cases} y' = f(x,y) \\ y(p_1) = p_2 \end{cases}$  is defined.

Corollary: let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be a domain let  $f \in C^1(\Omega)$  and let  $p \in \mathbb{R}^2$  then  $\alpha_- < p_1 < \alpha_+$ .

**Theorem:** let  $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$  and let  $p \in \mathbb{R}^2$  then

- $(\alpha_{+} < \infty) \iff \left(\lim_{x \to \alpha_{-}^{-}} |y(x)| = \infty\right).$
- $\bullet \ (-\infty < \alpha_{-}) \Longleftrightarrow \Bigl(\lim\nolimits_{x \rightarrow \alpha_{-}^{+}} \left|y\left(x\right)\right| = \infty\Bigr).$

Theorem Extensibility of Solutions: let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  be a closed set let  $f \in C^1(D, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and let  $y \in \operatorname{sols}(y' = f(x, y))$  such that  $\Gamma_y \cap D \neq \emptyset$  then there exists  $\psi : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\psi \in \operatorname{sols}(y' = f(x,y))$  and  $\psi(x) = y(x)$  for all  $x \in \operatorname{Dom}(y)$ and  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ \psi(a) \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} b \\ \psi(b) \end{pmatrix} \in \partial D$ .

Corollary: let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  such that for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  the set  $D \cap \{\alpha \leq x_1 \leq \beta\}$  is bounded let  $f \in C^1(D, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and let  $y \in \operatorname{sols}(y' = f(x, y))$  such that  $\Gamma_y \cap D \neq \emptyset$  then one of the next statements is true

- ullet there exists  $\psi$  : [a,b] ightarrow  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\psi$   $\in$  sols  $(y'=f\left(x,y
  ight))$  and  $\psi\left(x
  ight)=y\left(x
  ight)$  for all x  $\in$  Dom (y) and  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ \psi(a) \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} b \\ \psi(b) \end{pmatrix} \in \partial D.$
- there exists  $\psi:\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\psi\in\operatorname{sols}\left(y'=f\left(x,y\right)\right)$  and  $\psi\left(x\right)=y\left(x\right)$  for all  $x\in\operatorname{Dom}\left(y\right)$ .

Corollary: let  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be an open interval let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  let  $f \in C^1(I \times D, \mathbb{R}^n)$  and let  $p, q : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  such that

 $||f(x,y)|| \le p(x) ||y|| + q(x)$  then for all  $y \in \operatorname{sols}(y' = f(x,y))$  such that  $\Gamma_y \cap (I \times D) \ne \emptyset$  there exists  $\psi : I \to \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\psi \in \operatorname{sols}(y' = f(x, y))$  and  $\psi(x) = y(x)$  for all  $x \in \operatorname{Dom}(y)$ .

Theorem Continuous Dependence on Initial Conditions: let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  let  $f \in C^1(\Omega)$  let  $a,b,p \in \mathbb{R}$  and let  $y_p$  be a solution to  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y'=f(x,y) \\ y(a)=p \end{array} \right. \text{ such that } y_p \text{ is defined on } [a,b] \text{ then for all } \varepsilon>0 \text{ there exists } \delta>0 \text{ such that for all } q\in\mathbb{R} \text{ for which } |p-q|<\delta \right.$ 

if  $y_q$  is a solution to  $\begin{cases} y'=f(x,y) \\ y(a)=q \end{cases}$  then  $y_q$  is defined on [a,b] and  $|y_p-y_q|<\varepsilon$ . Theorem: let  $\Omega\subseteq\mathbb{R}^2$  let  $f\in C^1\left(\Omega\right)$  let  $a,b\in\mathbb{R}$  let  $g\in C^1\left([a,b]\right)$  and let  $\{g_n\}_{n=0}^\infty\subseteq\operatorname{sols}\left(y'=f\left(x,y\right)\right)$  such that  $g_n$  is defined on [a,b] for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $g_n \xrightarrow{p.w.} g$  then  $g \in \operatorname{sols}(y' = f(x,y))$ .

*n*-th Order Ordinary Differential Equation: let  $f: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \to \mathbb{R}$  then  $f(x, y \dots y^{(n)}) = 0$ .

Claim: let  $n \in \mathbb{N}_+$  let  $f: \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \to \mathbb{R}$  and let  $g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  then

$$\left(g \in \operatorname{sols}\left(f\left(t, x\left(t\right) \dots x^{(n)}\left(t\right)\right) = 0\right)\right) \Longleftrightarrow \left(\left(\begin{array}{c} g\\ \vdots\\ g^{(n)} \end{array}\right) \in \operatorname{sols}\left(\left\{\begin{array}{c} y_{1} = \dot{x}\\ \vdots\\ y_{n-1} = y_{n-2}\\ y_{n-1} = f\left(t, x, y_{1} \dots, y_{n-1}\right) \end{array}\right)\right)$$

Harmonic Oscillator/Spring Position Equation:  $\ddot{x} = -x$ .

Claim: the function  $E(x,y) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}y^2$  is a conserved quantity of  $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = y \\ \dot{y} = -x \end{cases}$ 

Spring with Friction Position Equation:  $\ddot{x} = -x - \dot{x}$ .

Constant Tension Spring Position Equation:  $\ddot{x} = -1$ .

Claim: the function  $E(x,y) = x + \frac{1}{2}y^2$  is a conserved quantity of  $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = y \\ \dot{y} = -1 \end{cases}$ .

Gravity in One Dimension Equation:  $\ddot{x} = -\frac{1}{r^2}$ .

Claim: the function  $E\left(x,y\right)=\frac{1}{x}+\frac{1}{2}y^2$  is a conserved quantity of  $\begin{cases} \dot{x}=y\\ \dot{y}=-\frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$ .

**Pendulum Equation:**  $\ddot{x} = -\sin(x)$ .

Claim: the function  $E(x,y) = \frac{1}{2}y^2 - \cos(x)$  is a conserved quantity of  $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = y \\ \dot{y} = -\sin(x) \end{cases}$ 

**Differential 1-form:** let  $P,Q:\mathbb{R}^2\to\mathbb{R}$  then  $P(x,y)\,\mathrm{d}x+Q(x,y)\,\mathrm{d}y$ .

Remark: in this course we won't explain the formal definition of a differential 1-form so we will use it as an object with certain

**Integral:** let  $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^2$  be a curve and let  $P,Q:\mathbb{R}^2\to\mathbb{R}$  then

$$\int_{\gamma} (P(x,y) dx + Q(x,y) dy) = \lim_{\Delta \to 0} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (P(x_i,y_i) (x_{i+1} - x_i) + Q(x_i,y_i) (y_{i+1} - y_i)).$$

**Remark:** in the definition above  $\lim_{\Delta\to 0}$  is the limit of all partitions of  $\gamma$  to horizontal and vertical segments.

Claim: let  $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^n$  be a curve let  $\nu:[\alpha,\beta]\to[a,b]$  such that  $\gamma\circ\nu$  is a reparameterization of  $\gamma$  and let  $\omega$  be a differential 1-form then  $\int_{\gamma} \omega = \int_{\gamma \circ \nu} \omega$ .

Claim: let  $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^n$  be a curve and let  $\omega$  be a differential 1-form then  $\int_{\gamma}\omega=-\int_{-\gamma}\omega$ .

Integral: let  $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^2$  be a curve and let  $f,g:\mathbb{R}^2\to\mathbb{R}$  then  $\int_{\gamma}f\mathrm{d}g=\lim_{\Delta\to 0}\int_{i=0}^{n-1}(f(x_i,y_i)(g(x_{i+1},y_{i+1})-g(x_i,y_i))).$ 

Claim: let  $g \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$  then  $dg = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} dy$ .

 $\text{Corollary: let } \gamma:[a,b] \to \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ be a curve let } f:\mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R} \text{ and let } g \in C^1\left(\mathbb{R}^2\right) \text{ then } \int_{\gamma} f \mathrm{d}g = \int_{\gamma} \Big(f \cdot \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \mathrm{d}x + f \cdot \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \mathrm{d}y\Big).$ 

**Exact Differential 1-form:** a differential **1-form**  $\omega$  such that there exists  $g \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$  for which  $\omega = \mathrm{d}g$ .

**Theorem:** let  $\omega$  be a differential **1-**form then TFAE

- $\omega$  is exact.
- ullet there exists  $f:\mathbb{R} o \mathbb{R}$  such that for all curves  $\gamma:[a,b] o \mathbb{R}^2$  we have  $\int_{\gamma}\omega=f\left(\gamma\left(b
  ight)
  ight)-f\left(\gamma\left(a
  ight)
  ight)$ .
- for all closed curves  $\gamma:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}^2$  we have  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2}\omega=0$ .

**Primitive/Potential:** let  $\omega$  be an exact differential 1-form then  $g \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$  such that  $\omega = \mathrm{d}g$ .

Claim: let  $X: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^3$  and let  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}$  then  $\frac{d}{dt} (f \circ X) = (\nabla f) \cdot \dot{X}$ .

Conservative Vector Field: a vector field  $F: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  such that there exists  $U \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for which  $F = -\nabla U$ .

 $\textbf{Kinetic Energy: } \text{let } X \in C^{1}\left(\mathbb{R},\mathbb{R}^{n}\right) \text{ then } K:\mathbb{R}^{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } K\left(X\left(t\right)\right) = \frac{\left\|\dot{X}\left(t\right)\right\|^{2}}{2}.$ 

**Total Energy:** let  $U \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  let  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be a conservative vector field such that  $F = -\nabla U$  let  $X \in \operatorname{sols}\left(\ddot{X} = F\left(X\right)\right)$ 

and let  $K: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  be the kinetic energy of X then  $E: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  such that E = K + U. **Lemma:** let  $U \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  let  $F: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  be a conservative vector field such that  $F = -\nabla U$  let  $X \in \operatorname{sols}\left(\ddot{X} = F(X)\right)$ 

and let  $E: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  be the total energy of X then  $\dot{E}(X(t)) = 0$ .

Weighted Average/Center of Mass: let  $p_1 \dots p_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $w: \{p_1 \dots p_n\} \to \mathbb{R}_+$  then  $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w(p_i) \cdot p_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n w(p_i)}$ . Center of Mass: let  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be compact and let  $\rho: K \to \mathbb{R}$  then  $\left(\frac{\int_K x \cdot \rho(x,y) \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y}{\int_K \rho(x,y) \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y}, \frac{\int_K y \cdot \rho(x,y) \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y}{\int_K \rho(x,y) \mathrm{d}x \mathrm{d}y}\right)$ .

Line: let  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^2$  then  $L_{A,B} = \{\lambda A + (1 - \lambda) B \mid \lambda \in [0,1]\}.$ 

**Triangle:** let  $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $A \notin L_{B,C}$  and  $B \notin L_{A,C}$  and  $C \notin L_{A,B}$  then  $\{A, B, C\}$ .

Theorem Ceva: let  $A,B,C \in \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $\{A,B,C\}$  is a triangle let  $A' \in L_{B,C}$  let  $B' \in L_{A,C}$  and let  $C' \in L_{A,C}$  then  $(L_{A,A'} \cap L_{B,B'} \cap L_{C,C'} \neq \varnothing) \iff \left(\frac{d(A,B')}{d(B',C)} \cdot \frac{d(C,A')}{d(C',A)} \cdot \frac{d(B,C')}{d(C',A)} = 1\right).$ 

Special Orthogonal Group: let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  then SO  $(n) = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid (\det(A) = 1) \land (A^T = A^{-1})\}.$ 

Cross Product: let  $x,y\in\mathbb{R}^3$  then  $x\times y=\begin{pmatrix}x_2y_3-x_3y_2\\x_3y_1-x_1y_3\\x_1y_2-x_2y_1\end{pmatrix}$ 

Claim Antisymmetry: let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  then  $x \times y = -y \times x$ .

Claim Orthogonality: let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  be linearly independent then  $x \times y \perp x$  and  $x \times y \perp y$ .

Claim: let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  and let  $\theta$  be the angle between x, y then  $||x \times y|| = ||x|| \cdot ||y|| \cdot \cos(\theta)$ .

**Corollary**: let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  then  $(x \times y = 0) \iff (x, y \text{ are linearly dependent)}$ .

Claim: let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $(\alpha x + \beta y) \times z = \alpha (x \times z) + \beta (y \times z)$ .

Claim: let  $X,Y\in C^1\left(\mathbb{R}^3\right)$  then  $\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\left(X\times Y\right)=\dot{X}\times Y+X\times\dot{Y}.$ 

Angular Momentum: let  $X \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$  then  $\mathcal{L} = X \times \dot{X}$ .

Lemma: angular momentum is a conserved quantity of  $\ddot{X} = -\frac{X}{\|X\|^2}$ . Exact Ordinary Differential Equation: let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  and let  $F \in C^1\left(\Omega\right)$  then  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\left(x,y\right) + y' \cdot \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\left(x,y\right) = 0$ . Claim: let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  let  $F \in C^1\left(\Omega\right)$  and let  $y \in C^1\left(\mathbb{R}\right)$  then  $\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\left(F\left(x,y\left(x\right)\right)\right) = 0$ . Remark: let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  let  $F \in C^1\left(\Omega\right)$  and let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $\{F = c\}$  are solutions to  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\left(x,y\right) + y' \cdot \frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\left(x,y\right) = 0$ . Claim: let  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  be a simply connected domain and let  $P,Q \in C^1\left(\Omega\right)$  then  $(P\left(x,y\right) + y' \cdot Q\left(x,y\right) = 0$  is an exact  $(P,Q) \in C^1\left(\Omega\right)$ . ODE) $\iff$ ( $\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}$ ).