

# Notes for Differential Galois Theory by P. Jossen

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# 1 The Ring of Partial Differential Operators

**Definition 1.1.** A  $\Delta$ -ring  $\mathcal{R}$  is a commutative ring with unit equipped with a set of commutative derivations  $\Delta = \{\partial_1, \dots, \partial_r\}$ . A  $\Delta$ -ideal  $I \subset \mathcal{R}$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{R}$  s.t.  $\partial_i I \subset I$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, r$ . If  $\mathcal{R}$  is a  $\Delta$ -ring, the set of constants is  $\{c \in \mathcal{R} | \partial_i(c) = 0, \forall i\}$ . Through out the expository article, we will assume that for any  $\Delta$ -ring,  $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathcal{R}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  is algebraically closed field.

**Example 1.2.**  $\mathcal{C}$  be an algebraically closed with  $t_1, \dots, t_r$  indeterminates. And the derivations are define to by  $\partial_i t_j = \delta_{ij}$

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be a  $\Delta$ -field. The ring of partial differential operators  $\mathcal{K}[\partial_1, \dots, \partial_r]$  with coefficients in  $\mathcal{K}$  is the noncommutative polynomial ring in the variables  $\partial_i$ , where  $[\partial_i, \partial_j] = 0$  but  $[\partial_i, a] = \partial_i(a)$

**Definition 1.4.** A  $\mathcal{K}[\partial_1, \dots, \partial_r]$ -module  $\mathcal{M}$  is a finite dimensional  $\mathcal{K}$ -vector space that is a left module for the ring  $\mathcal{K}[\partial_1, \dots, \partial_r]$ .

But in this case a quotient  $\mathcal{R}/I$  of  $\Delta$