

Fundamental set of solutions

In this course, we are interested in sets of solutions that are linearly independent, and of a certain size.

Definition

Any set y_1, \dots, y_n of n -many linearly independent solutions of a homogeneous n th-order linear differential equation on an interval I is called a **fundamental set of solutions**.

Discussion, comments, and examples:



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WeBWork module 09 exercises:

- Problems 3

References:

- [Page 466 of this text.](http://ramanujan.math.trinity.edu/wtrench/texts/TRENCH_DIFF_EQNS_I.PDF) [\(http://ramanujan.math.trinity.edu/wtrench/texts/TRENCH_DIFF_EQNS_I.PDF\)](http://ramanujan.math.trinity.edu/wtrench/texts/TRENCH_DIFF_EQNS_I.PDF)
(Though again, it is phrased much differently than out use.)
- Also Zill.