

# Equivalence Transformations, Symmetry Classification

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## Partial derivatives:

- Notation:

$$\frac{\partial u^k}{\partial x^i} = u_{x^i}^k = u_i^k = \partial_i u^k.$$

- E.g.,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u(x, y, t) = u_t = \partial_t u.$$

- All first-order partial derivatives of  $\mathbf{u}$ :  $\partial \mathbf{u}$ .

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$$\mathbf{u} = (u^1(x, t), u^2(x, t)), \quad \partial \mathbf{u} = \{u_x^1, u_t^1, u_x^2, u_t^2\}.$$

## Higher-order partial derivatives

- Notation: for example,

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- All  $p^{\text{th}}$ -order partial derivatives:

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## Jet spaces

- We wish to work with differential equations as with algebraic equations.
- Jet space of order  $p$ : linear space  $J^p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{u})$  with coordinates  $\mathbf{x}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\partial\mathbf{u}$ , ...,  $\partial^p\mathbf{u}$ .

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## Example:

- The 1D **diffusion equation** for  $u(x, t)$  can be written as

$$0 = u_t - u_{xx} = H(u, u_t, u_{xx}) = H[u],$$

that is, an algebraic equation in  $J^2(x, t|u)$ .

## Definitions

The **total derivative** of a differential function:

- A basic chain rule for  $u = u(x, y)$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x, y, u, u_x, u_y) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial u} u_x + \frac{\partial g}{\partial u_x} u_{xx} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial u_y} u_{xy}$$

- The **total derivative** does the same for differential functions on the jet space:

$$D_x g[u] = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial u} u_x + \frac{\partial g}{\partial u_x} u_{xx} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial u_y} u_{xy},$$

where  $x, y, u, u_x, u_y, u_{xx}, u_{xy}$  are **coordinates** in  $J^2(x, y|u)$ .

## General case

- Independent variables:  $\mathbf{x} = (x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n)$ ; dependent:  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = (u^1, \dots, u^m)$ .
- The **total derivative** operator with respect to  $x^i$ :

$$D_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + u_i^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial u^\mu} + u_{ii_1}^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{i_1}^\mu} + u_{ii_1 i_2}^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial u_{i_1 i_2}^\mu} + \dots,$$

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# Equivalence transformations – basic idea

Given:

- A **family**  $\mathcal{F}_K$  of DEs/systems  $\mathbf{R}\{x; u; K\}$

$$R^\sigma(x, u, \partial u, \dots, \partial^k u, K) = 0, \quad \sigma = 1, \dots, N.$$

- **Arbitrary elements** (constitutive functions and/or parameters):

$$K = (K^1, \dots, K^L).$$

Equivalence transformations:

An *equivalence transformation* of a DE family  $\mathcal{F}_K$  is a change of variables and arbitrary elements  $(x, u, K) \rightarrow (x^*, u^*, K^*)$  which maps every DE system  $\mathbf{R}\{x; u; K\} \in \mathcal{F}_K$  into a DE system  $\mathbf{R}\{x^*; u^*; K^*\} \in \mathcal{F}_{K^*}$ .

## Example:

- A family of diffusion equations

$$u_t = (K(u)u_x)_x.$$

- Arbitrary element:  $K(u)$ .
- Scaling and translation-type equivalence transformations

$$x^* = A_3x + A_1, \quad t^* = \frac{A_3^2}{A_4}t + A_2, \quad u^*(x^*, t^*) = A_5u(x, t) + A_6, \quad K^*(u^*) = A_4K(u).$$

- Then

$$u_{t^*}^* = (K^*(u^*)u_{x^*}^*)_{x^*}.$$

- There are various kinds of equivalence transformations. Generally they cannot be systematically computed.

## A one-parameter Lie group of point equivalence transformations:

- equivalence transformations of the form

$$(x^*)^i = f^i(x, u; \varepsilon) = x^i + \varepsilon \xi^i(x, u) + O(\varepsilon^2), \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$(u^*)^\mu = g^\mu(x, u; \varepsilon) = u^\mu + \varepsilon \eta^\mu(x, u) + O(\varepsilon^2), \quad \mu = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$(K^*)^\ell = G^\ell(Q^\ell; \varepsilon) = K^\ell + \varepsilon \kappa^\ell(Q^\ell) + O(\varepsilon^2), \quad \ell = 1, \dots, L,$$

which form a Lie group.

- $Q^\ell$  depend on the nature of the arbitrary element  $K^\ell$ .
- If  $K^\ell$  is a constant parameter,  $Q^\ell$  may be the set of all constant parameters
- If  $K^\ell$  is a constitutive function,  $Q^\ell$  may involve variables on which  $K^\ell$  depends, and other constitutive functions with compatible dependencies.

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- A 6-dimensional Lie group with infinitesimal generators

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, & X_2 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, & X_3 &= 2t\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + x\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, & X_4 &= K\frac{\partial}{\partial K} - t\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \\ X_5 &= u\frac{\partial}{\partial u}, & X_6 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial u}. \end{aligned}$$

## Example – the KdV family

- The KdV family:

$$u_t + au_x + buu_x + qu_{xxx} = 0,$$

- three constant parameters  $a, b, q \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $b, q \neq 0$ .
- A basic set of equivalence transformations of the KdV PDE family is given by infinitesimal generators

$$Y_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad Y_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \quad Y_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - b \frac{\partial}{\partial a}, \quad Y_4 = t \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial a},$$

$$Y_5 = x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + 2q \frac{\partial}{\partial q}, \quad Y_6 = x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + 3t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - 2u \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - 2a \frac{\partial}{\partial a},$$

$$Y_7 = x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + 3t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - 2a \frac{\partial}{\partial a} - 2b \frac{\partial}{\partial b}.$$

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- The corresponding point transformations:

$$x^* = \frac{A_5}{A_6 A_7} (x - A_4 t) + A_1, \quad t^* = \frac{A_5}{A_6^3 A_7^3} t + A_2,$$

$$u^*(x^*, t^*) = A_6^2 (u(x, t) + A_3),$$

$$a^* = A_6^2 A_7^2 (a - A_3 b - A_4), \quad b^* = A_7^2 b, \quad q^* = A_5^2 q.$$

- Discrete,  $u \rightarrow -u$ ,  $b \rightarrow -b$ :  $A_6 = A_7 = i$ ,  $A_5 = -1$ .
- Another one,  $b \rightarrow -b$ ,  $q \rightarrow -q$ :  $A_5 = A_7 = i$ ,  $A_6 = -1$ .
- WLOG  $b, q > 0$ .

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- Choices

$$A_1 = A_2 = A_3 = 0, \quad A_4 = a, \quad A_5 = A_6 = A_7 = 1,$$

$$x^* = x - at, \quad t^* = t, \quad u^*(x^*, t^*) = u(x, t)$$

and

$$A_1 = A_2 = A_4 = 0, \quad A_3 = a/b, \quad A_5 = A_6 = A_7 = 1,$$

$$x^* = x, \quad t^* = t, \quad u^*(x^*, t^*) = u(x, t) + A_3$$

yield

$$a^* \propto a - A_3 b - A_4 = 0$$

and a reduced PDE class

$$u_t + buu_x + qu_{xxx} = 0.$$

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$$u_t + au_x + buu_x + qu_{xxx} = 0,$$

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- A further transformation with

$$A_1 = A_2 = A_3 = A_4 = 0, \quad A_5 = q^{-1/2}, \quad A_6 = 1, \quad A_7 = b^{-1/2}$$

maps

$$u_t + buu_x + qu_{xxx} = 0.$$

into the *standard KdV form* (no variable coefficients)

$$u_t + uu_x + u_{xxx} = 0.$$

A given DE family  $\mathcal{F}_K$ :

$$R^\sigma(x, u, \partial u, \dots, \partial^k u, K) = 0, \quad \sigma = 1, \dots, N$$

with arbitrary elements  $K = (K^1, \dots, K^L)$ .

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- An **equivalence transformation** of the DE family  $\mathcal{F}_K$  is **point symmetry of its every member** if and only if it does not involve components corresponding to the arbitrary elements of the family.

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Non-Lie-type equivalence transformations:

$$\begin{aligned}(x^*)^i &= f^i[x, u, K], \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \\(u^*)^\mu &= g^\mu[x, u, K], \quad \mu = 1, \dots, m, \\(K^*)^\ell &= G^\ell[x, u, K], \quad \ell = 1, \dots, L,\end{aligned}$$

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“Generalized equivalence transformations” [S. V. Meleshko (1996)]

Lie groups given by extended generators

$$X = \xi^i(x, u, K) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + \eta^\mu(x, u, K) \frac{\partial}{\partial u^\mu} + \theta^\nu(x, u, K) \frac{\partial}{\partial K^\nu}.$$

- Examples computed, e.g., in Popovych *et al* (2004) for a class of nonlinear (1+1)-dimensional Schrödinger equations with power nonlinearity

$$i\psi_t + \psi_{xx} + |\psi|^\gamma \psi + V(x, t)\psi = 0.$$

- Generalized equivalence transformations can often be computed as Lie point symmetries when arbitrary elements are treated as dependent variables.

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- Further generalizations exist, including **discrete** and **nonlocal** equivalence transformations.
- For an overview of results and types of extended equivalence transformations the following sources and references therein.



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# Computation of equivalence transformations

- Is it possible to compute **all equivalence transformations** of a given DE family?

- As usual, there is no single recipe... Every example must be understood in detail.
- Yet it is possible to systematically seek Lie groups of generalized equivalence transformations.
- Often can use **Maple/GeM** pair.

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- **arbitrary elements** (constitutive functions and/or parameters):

$$K = (K^1, \dots, K^L).$$

## Symbolic computation of equivalence transformations

- ① Replace the **constitutive functions and/or parameters**  $K = (K^1, \dots, K^L)$  by **new dependent variables**  $(K^1(x), \dots, K^L(x))$ . Thus consider a new DE system  $\tilde{\mathbf{R}}\{x; u, K\}$  with  $m + L$  dependent variables and no arbitrary elements.
- ② Seek point symmetries of  $\tilde{\mathbf{R}}\{x; u, K\}$ , with infinitesimal generators

$$X = \xi^i(x, u, K) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + \eta^\mu(x, u, K) \frac{\partial}{\partial u^\mu} + \theta^\lambda(x, u, K) \frac{\partial}{\partial K^\lambda}.$$

- ③ Obtain the *split system of determining equations* for  $\tilde{\mathbf{R}}\{x; u, K\}$

$$X^{(k)} \tilde{R}^\alpha \Big|_{\tilde{R}^\sigma = 0, \sigma=1,\dots,N} = 0.$$

- ④ If the arbitrary elements  $K$  of the original DE family contained arbitrary functions, introduce restrictions of the form

$$\frac{\partial \xi^i(x, u, K)}{\partial K^\gamma} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \eta^\mu(x, u, K)}{\partial K^\delta} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \theta^\lambda(x, u, K)}{\partial x^j} = 0,$$

as appropriate, to exclude the dependence of transformation components of the arbitrary elements on variables they do not depend on. For example, for the DE family

$$u_t = c^2(u)u_{xx},$$

the infinitesimal generator of the generalized equivalence transformations has the form

$$X = \xi(x, t, u, c) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \tau(x, t, u, c) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \eta(x, t, u, c) \frac{\partial}{\partial u} + \theta(x, t, u, c) \frac{\partial}{\partial c},$$

and the transformation for  $c(u)$  must not explicitly depend on the variables  $x, t$ . Therefore the restrictions on the component  $\theta$  are given by

$$\frac{\partial \theta(x, t, u, c)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \theta(x, t, u, c)}{\partial t} = 0.$$

- ⑤ In order to simplify computations, additional restrictions may be introduced at this stage, for example,

$$\frac{\partial \xi^i(x, u, K)}{\partial K^\gamma} = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \gamma = 1, \dots, L,$$

if the transformations for the independent variables are assumed to be independent of the arbitrary elements.

- ⑥ Append all restrictions, as linear PDEs, to the split system of determining equations.
- ⑦ Simplify and solve the augmented split system of determining equations, to find the infinitesimal generators of the equivalence transformations.

- ⑥ **Integrate to obtain the global group.** For each infinitesimal generator, the corresponding one-parameter Lie group of equivalence transformations is found through the solution of the initial-value problem

$$\frac{d}{d\varepsilon}(x^*)^i = \xi^i(x^*, u^*, K^*), \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$\frac{d}{d\varepsilon}(u^*)^\mu = \eta^\mu(x^*, u^*, K^*), \quad \mu = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$\frac{d}{d\varepsilon}(K^*)^\lambda = \theta^\lambda(x^*, u^*, K^*), \quad \lambda = 1, \dots, L,$$

$$(x^*)^i|_{\varepsilon=0} = x^i, \quad (u^*)^\mu|_{\varepsilon=0} = u^\mu, \quad (K^*)^\lambda|_{\varepsilon=0} = K^\lambda,$$

where  $\varepsilon$  is the group parameter.

- Generate restrictions in Maple/GeM:

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restriction_eqs:=gem_generate_EquivTr_dependence([
    [[<variables1>], [<dep1>]],
    [[<variables2>], [<dep2>]],
    ...,
]);
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## Potential equivalence transformations

- Nonlinear wave equations  $u_{tt} = (c^2(u)u_x)_x$ :
- One can show that the infinitesimal generators of the group of point equivalence transformations of the above family are given by

$$Z_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \quad Z_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad Z_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \quad Z_4 = t \frac{\partial}{\partial u},$$

$$Z_5 = u \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \quad Z_6 = t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad Z_7 = t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - c \frac{\partial}{\partial c},$$

and the global group has the form

$$x^* = a_6 x + a_2, \quad t^* = a_6 a_7 t + a_1, \quad u^* = a_5 u + a_4 t + a_3, \quad c^*(u^*) = a_7^{-1} c(u).$$

where  $a_1, \dots, a_7$  are arbitrary constants with  $a_5 a_6 a_7 \neq 0$ .

## Potential equivalence transformations

- Nonlinear wave equations  $u_{tt} = (c^2(u)u_x)_x$ .

- A conservation law

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(tu_t - u) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(tc^2(u)u_x) = 0,$$

- A potential system:

$$w_x = tu_t - u, \quad w_t = tc^2(u)u_x; \quad u = u(x, t), \quad w = w(x, t).$$

- Equivalence transformations:

$$W_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial w}, \quad W_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad W_3 = Z_3 - x \frac{\partial}{\partial w}, \quad W_4 = t \frac{\partial}{\partial u},$$

$$W_5 = u \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - x \frac{\partial}{\partial x},$$

$$W_6 = t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial}{\partial w}, \quad W_7 = t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - c \frac{\partial}{\partial c},$$

$$W_8 = tu \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + w \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + u^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - 2uc \frac{\partial}{\partial x}.$$

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- Equivalence transformations – global group – part 1:

$$\begin{aligned} x^* &= A_5^{-1}A_6x + A_2, & t^* &= A_5^{-1}A_6A_7t, & u^* &= A_5u + A_4t + A_3, \\ w^* &= A_6w - A_3A_5^{-1}A_6x + A_1, & c^*(u^*) &= A_7^{-1}c(u) \end{aligned}$$

- Equivalence transformations – global group – part 2:

$$\begin{aligned} x^* &= x - Bw, & t^* &= \frac{t}{1 + Bu}, & u^* &= \frac{u}{1 + Bu}, \\ w^* &= w, & c^*(u^*) &= (1 + Bu)^2 c(u) \end{aligned}$$

- These are **nonlocal** “projective-type” transformations of the nonlinear wave equation family.

## Generalized equivalence transformations: Fiber-reinforced hyperelastic waves model

- A family of nonlinear wave equations

$$G_{tt} = \left( \alpha + \beta \cos^2 \gamma \left( 3 \cos^2 \gamma (G_x)^2 + 6 \sin \gamma \cos \gamma G_x + 2 \sin^2 \gamma \right) \right) G_{xx},$$

where  $G(x, t)$  is the finite displacement amplitude of anti-plane shear motions, in the material  $z$ -direction, of a nonlinear incompressible hyperelastic medium, reinforced by fibers making a constant angle  $\gamma$  with the material direction  $x$ . The model involves three arbitrary elements, the material parameters  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$ , and the fiber angle  $\gamma \in [0, \pi/2]$ .

- The equivalence transformations look quite complicated. Denote:

$$k = \tan \gamma, \quad \sin \gamma = SG(k) = \frac{K}{\sqrt{K^2 + 1}}, \quad \cos \gamma = CG(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K^2 + 1}}.$$

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- The equivalence transformation generators:

$$X_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial G}, \quad X_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad X_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \quad X_4 = t \frac{\partial}{\partial G},$$

$$X_5 = t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + G \frac{\partial}{\partial G}, \quad X_6 = -\frac{1}{2} t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + a \frac{\partial}{\partial a} + b \frac{\partial}{\partial b},$$

$$X_7 = -x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - 2a \frac{\partial}{\partial a} - \frac{4b}{k^2 + 1} \frac{\partial}{\partial b} + k \frac{\partial}{\partial k},$$

$$X_8 = -x \frac{\partial}{\partial G} + \frac{2bk}{(k^2 + 1)^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} + \frac{4bk}{k^2 + 1} \frac{\partial}{\partial b} + \frac{\partial}{\partial k}.$$

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- Equivalence transformation corresponding to X<sub>8</sub>:

$$G^* = G - Sx, \quad \tan \gamma^* = \tan \gamma + S,$$

$$\alpha^* = \alpha + 2\beta \cos^4 \gamma \left( \frac{s^2}{2} + S \tan \gamma \right),$$

$$\beta^* = \beta \cos^4 \gamma \left( \tan^2 \gamma + 2S \tan \gamma + S^2 + 1 \right)^2.$$

- The equations therefore can be mapped into the  $\gamma = 0$  case:

$$G_{t^* t^*}^* = (\alpha^* + 3\beta^* (G_{x^*}^*)^2) G_{x^* x^*}^*.$$

- Equilibrium fluid flow; stationary plasma equilibria in 3D:

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{B} = 0, \quad (\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B} = \operatorname{grad} P,$$

$$\mathbf{B} = B^1 \mathbf{e}_x + B^2 \mathbf{e}_y + B^3 \mathbf{e}_z.$$

- Axially symmetric case: four PDEs  $\rightarrow$  one PDE:

$$\boxed{\psi_{rr} - \frac{1}{r}\psi_r + \psi_{zz} + I(\psi)I'(\psi) = -r^2 P'(\psi)}.$$

- The magnetic field and pressure are given by

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\psi_z}{r} \mathbf{e}_r + \frac{I(\psi)}{r} \mathbf{e}_\phi - \frac{\psi_r}{r} \mathbf{e}_z, \quad P = P(\psi).$$

- $I(\psi)$  and  $P(\psi)$  are arbitrary constitutive functions.

- To compute in **Maple**: call  $I(\psi)I'(\psi) = Q(\psi)$ ,  $P'(\psi) = \tilde{P}(\psi)$ .

- Bragg-Hawthorne-Grad-Rubin-Shafranov equation

$$\psi_{rr} - \frac{1}{r}\psi_r + \psi_{zz} + I(\psi)I'(\psi) = -r^2 P'(\psi).$$

- Equivalence transformations are given by

$$\tilde{r} = c_2 c_3^{-1} r, \quad \tilde{z} = c_2 c_3^{-1} z + c_1,$$

$$\tilde{\psi} = c_2^4 c_3^{-2} \psi,$$

$$\tilde{P}'(\tilde{\psi}) = c_3^2 P'(\psi),$$

$$\tilde{I}(\tilde{\psi})\tilde{I}'(\tilde{\psi}) = c_2^2 I(\psi)I'(\psi),$$

the pressure translation

$$\tilde{P}(\psi) = P(\psi) + c_4,$$

as well as the well-known transformation

$$\tilde{I}(\psi) = \pm \sqrt{I^2(\psi) + c_5},$$

where  $c_1, \dots, c_5$  are arbitrary constants,  $c_2 c_3 \neq 0$ .

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## Classification of symmetries, etc.

- If determining equations (of symmetries, conservation laws, etc.) of a system with arbitrary elements are known, one can split cases using constructs like

```
DEtools[rifsimp](  
    det_eqs,  
    sym_components, mindim=1, casesplit);
```

- Or with additional “hand-made” constraints, like

```
DEtools[rifsimp](  
    det_eqs union {diff(K(U),U,U)<>0},  
    sym_components, mindim=1, casesplit);
```

- Then plot cases using

```
DEtools[caseplot](split_system,pivots);
```

## Example: classify point symmetries of the nonlinear diffusion equations

- A family of diffusion equations  $u_t = (K(u)u_x)_x$ .

**Table 4.1** Local (point) symmetries of the nonlinear diffusion equation  $\mathbf{U}\{x, t; u\}$  (4.5)

$K(u)$	#	Point Symmetries
Arbitrary	3	$X_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, X_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, X_3 = x\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + 2t\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ .
$u^\nu$	4	$X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 = x\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{2}{\nu}u\frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ .
$e^u$	4	$X_1, X_2, X_3, X_5 = x\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + 2\frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ .
$u^{-4/3}$	5	$X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 \left(\nu = -\frac{4}{3}\right), X_6 = x^2\frac{\partial}{\partial x} - 3xu\frac{\partial}{\partial u}$ .

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- Compute equivalence transformations (see Maple).
- Modulo the equivalence transformations, classify symmetries (see Maple).

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