

Sixth Parameter Symmetry for a Second Order Ordinary Differential Equation

Abstract

Lie symmetry analysis is a powerful tool for solving ordinary differential equations whose results have been a huge driving force in the history of mathematics. Symmetry is an operation which leaves invariant that upon which it operates. A lie group or symmetry group is a group of transformations which maps any solution of the system to another solution of the same system. The symmetries of a given system of ordinary differential equations inform a lot about the closed form or the ability of the differential equation to solve. In this study, we use infinitesimal generators to obtain a sixth parameter symmetry for an ordinary differential equation. Symmetry properties and reduction of order differential equations yield solutions that are important in the field of science.

Keywords: Lie; symmetry; differential equations; infinitesimal generators; invariant.

1. Introduction

There exists various standard methods for solving linear second order ordinary differential equations. Equations with constant coefficients are solved using the roots of the characteristic equation. The Euler-Legendre type equations can be transformed into equations with constant coefficients. Some equations are exact and so can be directly integrated where as some can be directly integrated after multiplying with an integrating factor. For second-order equations with rational coefficients there is the well-known algorithm for finding solutions. Solutions to nonlinear second order or higher order ordinary differential involve computing the Lie symmetries and application of transformation rules that reduce the equations

24 order systematically. In this paper, we use Lie's theory for solving our differential equation based on
25 symmetries. In this paper, we shall consider the application of infinitesimal transformations to obtain
26 symmetries of a second order differential equation below

$$27 \quad y'' + 2yy' + y^2 = 0 \quad (1)$$

28 **2. Symmetry**

29 What qualifies something to be termed symmetric? Let's consider a square for that matter. Given its even
30 number of equal length sides, a square appears symmetric. Nonetheless it's not. However, it is what we
31 do to the square which qualifies it as symmetric. If we rotate it say 90 degrees, or even 180 degrees, or
32 even turn it over its axis, the square seems like it has not been moved an inch. we look at these
33 movements, singly and all together, of the square as transformations. These transformations retain the
34 square in its position. Clearly this is a case of symmetry as a transformation that maintains the position of
35 our square. The transformations demonstrated above, that keep the square in its exact position together
36 form a group. These transformations must all preserve the defined property. Symmetry is an operation
37 which leaves invariant that upon which it operates. Symmetry of a geometric object is a transformation
38 which leaves the object apparently unchanged. For instance, consider the result of rotating an equilateral
39 triangle anticlockwise about its center. After a rotation of $2\pi/3$, the triangle looks the same as it did
40 before the rotation, so this transformation is symmetry. Rotations of $4\pi/3$ and 2π are also symmetries
41 of the equilateral triangle. A symmetry of a given system of differential equations is basically a
42 transformation of both the dependent and independent variables that maps solutions of the system into
43 other similar solutions. The symmetries of a system can really be a nonlinear problem, unless we limit our
44 operations to one-parameter groups of transformations. The transformation mapping each point to itself is
45 a symmetry of any geometrical object: it is called trivial symmetry. Symmetry can be used to develop a
46 concept that provides an algorithm for constructing physically important exact solutions. When dealing
47 with symmetries of various systems of different differential equations, the main aim is to check when a
48 particular differential equation is determined in a distinctive manner by use of symmetries. Nonlinear
49 Phenomena have a plethora of applications in a myriad of areas in applied sciences. These nonlinear

50 equations, are generally very difficult to solve explicitly. This now brings in the issue numerical methods,
51 which with much success obtain approximate solutions to these equations. Nonetheless, there is great
52 need currently to obtain exact solutions to our differential equations. This is where symmetry methods
53 and techniques come in handy. They provide one method for solving these very important and life
54 applicable differential equations. A variety of differential equations have symmetries that are clear and
55 obvious like translations, rotations and several other symmetries that are geometric in nature. Most of
56 these symmetries can be obtained easily. However, our interest will be in what we call hidden symmetries.
57 These are symmetries that won't be obtained via elementary techniques. In principle, the symmetries of
58 any given problem can be obtained by assuming a general form for the symmetry then followed by
59 solving the invariance condition for that particular symmetry

60 **3. Symmetry of differential equations**

61 The subject of symmetry of ordinary differential equations was developed by Lie. A symmetry of a
62 differential equation is a transformation mapping any solution to another solution of the differential
63 equation. The symmetries of a given system of ordinary differential equations inform a lot about the
64 closed form or the ability of the differential equation to solve. If an ordinary differential equation is
65 invariant under some symmetry, then it's possible to obtain similar or invariant solution. The solutions got
66 are as a result of solving equation having a reduced order. For problems that are nonlinear in nature,
67 solutions that are analytical are not easy to get. Analytical solutions as compared to numerical solutions,
68 provide a better understanding of the problem under question. This is where symmetry of the equation is
69 calculated, and from the symmetries, similarity solutions can be obtained. In principle, the symmetries of a
70 system are obtained by assuming a general form for the symmetry and going ahead to acquire the
71 condition for invariance for the symmetry. A differential equation whose symmetry can be obtained can be
72 solved. The obtaining of symmetries and their applications in solving nonlinear ordinary differential
73 equations constitutes the very essence of our work. We call a transformation a symmetry if it satisfies the
74 following conditions

- 75 **(i)** The transformation is structure preserving
- 76 **(ii)** The transformation is a smooth invertible mapping whose inverse is also smooth

77 (iii) The transformation maps the object to itself

78 **4. Mathematical Formulation**

79 We shall consider reduction of order by use of differential invariants. To deal with the infinitesimal
80 transformation and functions involving derivatives we require extensions of the generator T . For a
81 generator of order n the extension is of form

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$$T^{[n]} = T + \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} \left\{ \chi^{(i)} - \sum_{j=1}^i \binom{i}{j} y^{(i+1-j)} \phi^{(j)} \right\} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{(i)}} \quad (2)$$

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$$T^{[1]} = T + (\chi' - y'\phi') \frac{\partial}{\partial y'} \quad (3)$$

84
$$T^{[2]} = T^{[1]} + (\chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'') \frac{\partial}{\partial y''} \quad (4)$$

85 Where the generator T is given by

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$$T = \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \chi \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \quad (5)$$

87 And T is a symmetry of the differential equation (1). Subjecting (1) to the second extension (4), we get

88
$$T^{[2]}[y'' + 2yy' + y^2] = 0 \quad (6)$$

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91 From (4), we have

92
$$T^{[2]} = T^{[1]} + (\chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'') \frac{\partial}{\partial y''}$$

93 Substituting the value of $T^{[1]}$ in (4) above, we get

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$$95 \quad T^{[2]} = T + (\chi' - y'\phi') \frac{\partial}{\partial y'} + (\chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'') \frac{\partial}{\partial y''} \quad (7)$$

96 Since T is defined in (5), then equation (7) becomes

$$97 \quad T^{[2]} = \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \chi \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + (\chi' - y'\phi') \frac{\partial}{\partial y'} + (\chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'') \frac{\partial}{\partial y''} \quad (8)$$

98 And so our equation (6) becomes

$$99 \quad \left[\phi \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \chi \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + (\chi' - y'\phi') \frac{\partial}{\partial y'} + (\chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'') \frac{\partial}{\partial y''} \right] [y'' + 2yy' + y^2] = 0 \quad (9)$$

100 Expanding and simplifying (9) we get

$$101 \quad \phi [y''' + 2yy'' + 2y'^2 + 2yy'] + \chi [2y' + 2y] + [\chi' - y'\phi'] [2y] + [\chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi''] = 0 \quad (10)$$

102 Equation (10) can be rewritten as

$$103 \quad \phi \left[\frac{d}{dx} [y''] + 2yy'' + 2y'^2 + 2yy' \right] + 2y'\chi + 2y\chi + 2y\chi' - 2yy'\phi' + \chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'' = 0 \quad (11)$$

104 From (1), we can say that

$$105 \quad y'' = -2yy' - y^2 \quad (12)$$

$$106 \quad \phi \left[\frac{d}{dx} [-2yy' - y^2] + 2yy'' + 2y'^2 + 2yy' \right] + 2y'\chi + 2y\chi + 2y\chi' - 2yy'\phi' + \chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'' = 0$$

$$107 \quad (13)$$

108 On expanding (13)

$$109 \quad \phi [-2yy'' - 2y'^2 - 2yy' + 2yy'' + 2y'^2 + 2yy'] + 2y'\chi + 2y\chi + 2y\chi' - 2yy'\phi' + \chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'' = 0$$

110 (14)

111 Simplifying (14) we obtain

$$112 \quad -2yy''\phi - 2y'^2\phi - 2yy'\phi + 2yy''\phi + 2y'^2\phi + 2yy'\phi + 2y'\chi + 2y\chi + 2y\chi' - 2yy'\phi' + \chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'' = 0$$

113 (15)

114 On further simplification, we get

$$115 \quad 2y'\chi + 2y\chi + 2y\chi' - 2yy'\phi' + \chi'' - 2y''\phi' - y'\phi'' = 0 \quad (16)$$

116 We know that $y'' = -2yy' - y^2$

117 We also know that

$$118 \quad \chi' = \frac{\partial\chi}{\partial x} + y' \frac{\partial\chi}{\partial y} \quad (17)$$

119 And

$$120 \quad \phi' = \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} + y' \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} \quad (18)$$

121 Using (12), (17) and (18), equation (16) becomes

$$122 \quad 2y'\chi + 2y\chi + 2y \left(\frac{\partial\chi}{\partial x} + y' \frac{\partial\chi}{\partial y} \right) - 2yy' \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} + y' \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial^2\chi}{\partial x^2} + 2y' \frac{\partial^2\chi}{\partial x\partial y} + y'^2 \frac{\partial^2\chi}{\partial y^2} + y'' \frac{\partial\chi}{\partial y}$$

$$123 \quad -2(-2yy' - y^2) \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} + y' \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} \right) - y' \left(\frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x^2} + 2y' \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x\partial y} + y'^2 \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial y^2} + y'' \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} \right) = 0 \quad (19)$$

124 Equation (19) simplifies to

$$125 \quad 2y'\chi + 2y\chi + 2y \frac{\partial\chi}{\partial x} + 2yy' \frac{\partial\chi}{\partial y} - 2yy' \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} - 2yy'^2 \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2\chi}{\partial x^2} + 2y' \frac{\partial^2\chi}{\partial x\partial y} + y'^2 \frac{\partial^2\chi}{\partial y^2}$$

$$126 \quad +(-2yy' - y^2) \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial y} - 2 \left(-2yy' \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} - 2yy'^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} - y^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} - y'y^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$127 \quad -y' \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} - 2y'^2 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} - y'^3 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} - y'y'' \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (20)$$

128 This in turn gives us

$$129 \quad 2y'\chi + 2y\chi + 2y \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial x} + 2yy' \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial x^2} + 2y' \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial x \partial y} + y'^2 \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial y^2} - y^2 \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial y} + 2y^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + 3y'y^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} - y' \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2}$$

$$130 \quad -2y'^2 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} - y'^3 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad (21)$$

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132 From (21) we come up with differential equations that are partial in nature. These partial differential are
133 called determining equations

$$134 \quad y'^3 : \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad (22)$$

$$135 \quad y'^2 : 4y \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial y^2} - 2 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} = 0 \quad (23)$$

$$136 \quad y'^1 : 2\chi + 2y \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial x \partial y} + 3y^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} = 0 \quad (24)$$

$$137 \quad y'^0 : 2y\chi + 2y \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial x} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial x^2} - y^2 \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial y} + 2y^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (25)$$

138 From (22) we have

$$139 \quad \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

140 Or

141 $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = 0$

142 $\phi = A_1 y + A_2$ (26)

143 From (23) we deduce that

144 $4y \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial y^2} - 2 \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x \partial y} = 0$

145 Or $4yA_1 + \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial y^2} - 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right) = 0$

146 Or $4yA_1 + \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial y^2} - 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} A_1 = 0$

147 Or $4yA_1 + \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial y^2} - 2A_1' = 0$

148 Or $\frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial y^2} = 2A_1' - 4yA_1$

149 Or $\frac{\partial \chi}{\partial y} = 2A_1'y - 2y^2A_1 + A_3$

150 And hence $\chi = A_1'y^2 - \frac{2}{3}A_1y^3 + A_3y + A_4$ (27)

151 From (24) we have

152 $2\chi + 2y \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial x \partial y} + 3y^2 \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} = 0$

153 Or

$$154 \quad 2\mathcal{L} + 2y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (A_1 y + A_2) + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) + 3y^2 A_1 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right) = 0$$

155 Or

$$156 \quad 2\mathcal{L} + 2y (A_1' y + A_2') + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2A_1' y - 2y^2 A_1 + A_3) + 3y^2 A_1 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (A_1' y + A_2') = 0$$

157 Or

$$158 \quad 2\mathcal{L} + 2y^2 A_1' + 2y A_2' + 2(2A_1'' y - 2A_1' y^2 + A_3) + 3y^2 A_1 - (A_1'' y + A_2'') = 0$$

159 Or

$$160 \quad 2A_1' y^2 - \frac{4}{3} y^3 A_1 + 2A_3 y + 2A_4 + 2y^2 A_1' + 2y A_2' + 4A_1'' y - 4A_1' y^2 + 2A_3' + 3y^2 A_1 - A_1'' y - A_2'' = 0$$

161 Which solves to

$$162 \quad -\frac{4}{3} A_1 y^3 + 3A_1 y^2 + 2A_3 y + 2A_2' y + 4A_1'' y - A_1' y + 2A_4 + 2A_3' - A_2'' = 0 \quad (28)$$

163 From (28) we have the following determining equations

$$164 \quad y^3 : -\frac{4}{3} A_1 = 0 \quad (29)$$

$$165 \quad y^2 : 3A_1 = 0 \quad (30)$$

$$166 \quad y^1 : 2A_3 + 2A_2' + 4A_1'' = 0 \quad (31)$$

$$167 \quad y^0 : 2A_4 + 2A_3' - A_2'' = 0 \quad (32)$$

168 From (25) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2y \left(A_1' y^2 - \frac{2}{3} A_1 y^3 + A_3 y + A_4 \right) + 2y \left(A_1'' y^2 - \frac{2}{3} A_1' y^3 + A_3' y + A_4' \right) \\ 169 & + \left(A_1''' y^2 - \frac{2}{3} A_1'' y^3 + A_3'' y + A_4'' \right) - y^2 (2A_1' y - 2y^2 A_1 + A_3) \\ & + 2y^2 (A_1' y + A_2') = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

170 Which simplifies to

$$\begin{aligned} 171 & 2y^3 A_1' - \frac{4}{3} y^4 A_1 + 2A_3 y^2 + 2A_4 y + 2y^3 A_1''' - \frac{4}{3} y^4 A_1' + 2A_3' y^2 \\ 172 & + 2y A_4' + A_1''' y^2 - \frac{2}{3} A_1'' y^3 + A_3'' y + A_4'' - 2A_1' y^3 + 2y^2 A_1 - A_3 y^2 \\ & + 2A_1' y^3 + 2A_2' y^2 = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

174 From (34) we obtain the determining equations

$$175 \quad y^4 : -\frac{4}{3} A_1 - \frac{4}{3} A_1' + 2A_1 = 0 \quad (35)$$

$$176 \quad y^3 : 2A_1' + 2A_1'' - \frac{2}{3} A_1''' - 2A_1' + 2A_1' = 0 \quad (36)$$

$$177 \quad y^2 : A_3 + 2A_3' + A_1''' = 0 \quad (37)$$

$$178 \quad y^1 : 2A_4 + 2A_4' + A_3'' = 0 \quad (38)$$

$$179 \quad y^0 : A_4'' = 0 \quad (39)$$

180 From (39) we have

$$181 \quad A_4' = P_1$$

182 Or

$$183 \quad A_4 = P_1x + P_2 \quad (40)$$

184 From equations (38) we have

$$185 \quad 2A_4 + 2A_4' + A_3'' = 0$$

$$186 \quad A_3'' = -2A_4 - 2A_4'$$

$$187 \quad A_3'' = -2(P_1x + P_2) - 2(P_1)$$

$$188 \quad A_3'' = -2P_1x - 2P_2 - 2P_1$$

$$189 \quad A_3' = -P_1x^2 - 2P_2x - 2P_1x + P_3$$

$$190 \quad A_3 = -\frac{1}{3}P_1x^3 - P_1x^2 + 2P_2x^2 + P_3x + P_4 \quad (41)$$

191 From equations (38) we have

$$192 \quad 2A_4 + 2A_3' - A_2'' = 0$$

$$193 \quad A_2'' = 2A_3' + 2A_4$$

$$194 \quad A_2'' = -2P_1x^2 - 4P_2x - 4P_1x + 2P_3 + 2P_1x + 2P_2$$

$$195 \quad A_2' = -\frac{2}{3}P_1x^3 - 2P_2x^2 - 2P_1x^2 + 2P_3x + P_1x^2 + 2P_2x + P_5$$

196 And hence

$$197 \quad A_2 = -\frac{1}{6}P_1x^4 - \frac{2}{3}P_2x^3 - \frac{2}{3}P_1x^3 + P_3x^2 + \frac{1}{3}P_1x^3 + P_2x^2 + P_5x + P_6 \quad (42)$$

198 From (29) and (30) we have

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$$A_1 = 0$$

(43)

200 Using equations (26) and (27) we can deduce that

$$201 \quad \phi = -\frac{1}{6}P_1x^4 - \frac{2}{3}P_2x^3 - \frac{2}{3}P_1x^3 + P_3x^2 + \frac{1}{3}P_1x^3 + P_2x^2 + P_5x + P_6$$

202 And

$$203 \quad \chi = -\frac{1}{3}P_1x^3y - P_1x^2y - P_2x^2y + P_3xy + P_4y + P_1x + P_2$$

204 Our generator is given by

$$205 \quad T = \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \chi \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

206 This expands to

$$207 \quad T = \left(-\frac{1}{6}P_1x^4 - \frac{2}{3}P_2x^3 - \frac{2}{3}P_1x^3 + P_3x^2 + \frac{1}{3}P_1x^3 + P_2x^2 + P_5x + P_6 \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$208 \quad + \chi \left(-\frac{1}{3}P_1x^3y - P_1x^2y - P_2x^2y + P_3xy + P_4y + P_1x + P_2 \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \quad (44)$$

209 This simplifies to

$$210 \quad T = -\frac{1}{6}P_1x^4 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{2}{3}P_2x^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{2}{3}P_1x^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + P_3x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{3}P_1x^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$211 \quad + P_2x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + P_5x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + P_6 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{3}P_1x^3y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - P_1x^2y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$$

$$212 \quad - P_2x^2y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + P_3xy \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + P_4y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + P_1x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + P_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \quad (45)$$

213 Or

$$\begin{aligned}
214 \quad T = & P_1 \left(-\frac{1}{6}x^4 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{2}{3}x^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{3}P_1x^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{3}x^3y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - x^2y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \\
215 \quad & + P_2 \left(-\frac{2}{3}x^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - x^2y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \\
216 \quad & + P_3 \left(x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + xy \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) + P_4 \left(y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) + P_5 \left(x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) + P_6 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \quad (46)
\end{aligned}$$

217 5. Results and Discussion

218 Equation (46) is a sixth-parameter symmetry from which we can obtain the following symmetries

$$219 \quad T_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \quad (47)$$

$$220 \quad T_2 = x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \quad (48)$$

$$221 \quad T_3 = y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \quad (49)$$

$$222 \quad T_4 = x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + xy \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \quad (50)$$

$$223 \quad T_5 = -\frac{2}{3}x^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - x^2y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \quad (51)$$

$$224 \quad T_6 = -\frac{1}{6}x^4 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{2}{3}x^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{3}x^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{3}x^3y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - x^2y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \quad (52)$$

225 The Lie symmetry method plays a vital role in obtaining reductions of order of differential equations.
226 Prolongations are used to develop symmetries that we later use to reduce the order of a differential
227 equation. These symmetries will later be used to come up with exact solution to our problem. The biggest
228 challenge in the symmetry methods is to obtain symmetries of differential equations. The work is tedious

229 and voluminous. The greatest handicap to the application of symmetries is the huge volume of
230 calculations required to solve even a modest problem.

231 **6. Conclusion**

232 In this paper, we have obtained a sixth-parameter symmetry to our ordinary differential equation.
233 Mathematical symmetry patterns help to obtain analytic solutions to differential equations. The advantage
234 of the symmetry method is that it can be applied successfully to non-linear differential equations.

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