# Some Finite Value Problem Applications of Wronskian Characteristics

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Abstract

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In this essay, we've covered a few Wronskian characteristics and illustrated how they work using relevant instances. In the current work, we also created a few new Wronskian characteristics and used examples to validate the findings.

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### Introduction

Engineering, physics, chemistry, economics, and other fields all benefit greatly from the application of differential equations. The boundary value problem, which consists of a classical differential equation and a further set of restrictions known as the parameter, plays a significant role in many areas.

## **Properties of Wronskian**

Definition 2.1. Let  $\phi_1, \phi_2$  be any two differential functions of x

Then, W 
$$[\phi_1, \phi_2] = \begin{vmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 \\ \phi_1 & \phi_2 \end{vmatrix}$$

which is called the Wronskian of  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$ . It is a function, and its value at x is denoted by

 $W\left[\phi_1,\phi_2\right](x).$ 

Lemma 2.2. The Wronskian defined in (2.1) satisfies the following prop-erties:

(a)  $W[\phi_1, \phi_2] = -W[\phi_2, \phi_1].$ 

(b) W  $[\alpha \varphi_1, \beta \varphi_2] = \alpha \beta W [\varphi_1, \varphi_2]$ . Here  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are constants.

Proof. (a) From the definition of Wronskian, we get

 $W[\phi_2, \phi_1] = \phi_2 \phi' - \phi' \phi_1 = -W[\phi_1, \phi_2].$ 

(b) By the definition of Wronskian with simple steps, our result is trivial.

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  be any two differential functions of x, then

$$W [\phi_1 + \alpha, \phi_2 + \alpha] = W [\phi_1, \phi_2] + \alpha \ d/dx \ [\phi_2 - \phi_1]$$
(2.2)

where  $\alpha$  is a constant.

Vol. 71 No. 2 (2022) http://philstat.org.ph Proof. From definition of Wronskian, we obtain

$$W [\phi_1 + \alpha, \phi_2 + \alpha] = (\phi_1 + \alpha) \phi_1' - \phi_2' \quad (\phi_2 + \alpha)$$
$$= W [\phi_1, \phi_2] + \alpha \ d/dx \ [\phi_2 - \phi_1]$$

Hence the lemma is proved

**Example**: Let  $\Phi_1 = \sin 3x$ ,  $\Phi_2 = \cos 5x$ , and let = 7,

W [Sin3x + 7, Cos5x + 7]  

$$= \begin{vmatrix} Sin3x + 7 & Cos5x + 7 \\ 3 & Cos3x & -5Sin5x \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (Sin3x + 7)(-5Sin5x) - (3 & Cos3x)(Sin3x) - (3 & Cos3x) - (3 & Cos3x)(Sin3x) - (3 & Cos3x) -$$

**Example:** A boundary value problem is given by,

y'' + 8y = 0, subject to the condition, y(0) = 3 and  $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$ .

Auxiliary equation is,  $m^2 + 8 = 0$ 

 $\Rightarrow m = 0 + i2\sqrt{2}$ Hence general solution,  $y = k_1 \cos((2\sqrt{2})x) + k_2 \sin((2\sqrt{2})x)$ 

using the boundary condition, 
$$y(0) = 3$$
 and  $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$ 

$$B = k_1 \cdot 1 + k_2 \cdot 0$$
  
 $k_1 = 3$ 

Given condition is  $y(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$ 

$$0 = 3. \cos (2\sqrt{2}) + k_2 \sin (2\sqrt{2})$$
  
$$k_2 = -\frac{3.\cos(\sqrt{2}\pi)}{\sin(\sqrt{2}\pi)}$$

 $= -3 \operatorname{Cot}(\sqrt{2} \pi)$ Hence, Particular solution is given by  $y = 3 \operatorname{Cos}(2\sqrt{2} t) - 3 \operatorname{Cot}(\sqrt{2} \pi) \operatorname{Sin}(2\sqrt{2} t).$ 

#### Wronskian:

Jozef Hoene-Wronski coined the term "Wronkian" in the field of mathematics to describe a determinant (1776). It is necessary in the study of differential equations since it aids in determining the linear independence of the solutions [1] and [2] set. In [3] and [4], the characteristics and solution of the Wronskian differential equation were explored.

Let a linear homogeneous equation of the form,  $\mathbf{y}'' + p(t)\mathbf{y}' + q(t)\mathbf{y} = 0$ ,

Let two solution of this equation are u and v, So Wronskian of this equation can be written as W[u, v] = uv' - vu'. 1.1

(a) If u is a constant multiple of v then W [ u, v] is identically zero. Then u and v are linearly dependent.

(b)

If u and v agree at some point  $t_o$  and their derivative also exist at  $t_o$ , then W[u, v] vanishes

 $at_o$ , that if u and v are two solution of same initial value problem then their Wronskian vanishes

If there are non-zero constants, two differential functions, f(t) and g(t), are linearly dependent.

and  $c_2$  with,  $C_1$  f(t) +  $C_2$  g(t) =0, for all t, otherwise they are called linearly independent.

Example: The functions,  $f(t) = 10t^2 + t^3$  and  $g(t) = -t^4$  are linearly independent.

There would be a nonzero constant and such that if the function f(t) and g(t) are directly dependant.

(1)

 $C_1 f(t) + C_2 g(t) = 0$ 

$$C_1(10t^2 + t^3) + C_2(-t^4) = 0$$

When t= - 1, then,  $9c_1 - c_2 = 0$ When t= - 2, then,  $2c_1 - c_2 = 0$ 

The linear solution system is represented by equations (1) and (2). The relevant coefficient matrix's current determinant is

 $\begin{vmatrix} 9 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -9 + 2 = -7 \neq 0.$ 

As a result of the determinant being nonnegative, only the trivial solution can be found. That is,  $c_1 = c_2$ .

The two functions supplied are therefore linearly independent.

## Theorem:1

$$W[ \phi_1 \phi_2] = - W[ \phi_2 \phi_1]$$
  
Example:  $\Phi_1 = \tan x$  and  $\Phi_2 = \operatorname{Cosecx}$ , then  
$$W[ \phi_1 \phi_2] = \begin{vmatrix} \tan x & \operatorname{cosecx} \\ \sec^2 x & -\operatorname{cosecx} \operatorname{Cotx} \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= -\tan x. \operatorname{Cosecx}.\operatorname{Cotx} - \operatorname{Cosecx}.\operatorname{Sec}^2 x$$
$$= -\operatorname{Cosecx} (1 + \operatorname{Sec}^2 x),$$
$$W[ \phi_2 \phi_1] = \begin{vmatrix} \operatorname{cosecx} & \tan x \\ -\operatorname{cosecx} \operatorname{Cotx} & \sec^2 x \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \operatorname{Cosecx}.\operatorname{Cotx} \cdot \operatorname{Cosecx}.\operatorname{Cotx}$$
$$= \operatorname{Cosecx} (1 + \operatorname{Sec}^2 x)$$
$$= - W[ \phi_1 \phi_2]$$

Hence, W[
$$\emptyset_1 \ \emptyset_2$$
] = - W [ $\emptyset_2 \ \emptyset_1$ ]  
Theorem :2

W  $[\alpha \emptyset_1, \beta \emptyset_2] = \alpha \beta$  W  $[\emptyset_1, \emptyset_2]$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are constant,

Example: 
$$\emptyset_1 = a^x$$
 and  $\emptyset_2 = e^x$ , and  $\alpha = 5$  and  $\beta = 7$ , then  
W  $[\alpha \emptyset_1, \beta \emptyset_2] = W [5a^x, 7e^x]$   
 $= \begin{vmatrix} 5a^x & 7e^x \\ 5a^x logx & 7e^x \end{vmatrix}$   
 $= 5x 7 \begin{vmatrix} a^x & e^x \\ a^x logx & e^x \end{vmatrix}$   
 $= 5 \times 7 W [\emptyset_1, \emptyset_2].$ 

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