## Lesson 7 - Algebraic differential equations over 'T



## Differential polynomials over $\mathbb{I T}$

Differential polynomials as series. $P \in \mathbb{T}\{Y\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}\{Y\} \llbracket \mathbb{T} \rrbracket$
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Decomposition in homogeneous parts. $P \in \mathbb{T}\{Y\}$ of degree $d$

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If $\varphi=c+\varepsilon$ with $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\varepsilon<1$, then

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## Theorem DNP

Given $P \in \mathbb{T}\{Y\}$, there exists $l_{0} \in \mathbb{N}$ and $N(P) \in \mathbb{R}[Y]\left(Y^{\prime}\right)^{\mathbb{N}}$ with

$$
D\left(P \uparrow_{l}\right)=N(P), \quad \text { for all } l \geqslant l_{0} .
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We call $N(P)$ the differential Newton polynomial of $P$.

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for some $\phi, \psi \ll \mathfrak{m}$. Hence, $\operatorname{deg} N\left(P_{\times \mathfrak{m}}\right)=\operatorname{deg} D\left(P_{\times \mathfrak{m}}\right) \leqslant d$.

## The non-linear equalizer lemma

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Consider an equation $P(y)=0, y<\mathfrak{v}$ of Newton degree $d:=\operatorname{deg}_{<\mathfrak{v}} P$, with $P_{<d} \neq 0$. Then its principal equalizer is the unique equalizer $\mathfrak{e}_{P, \mathfrak{v}}:=\mathfrak{e}$ with $\operatorname{deg} N\left(P_{\times \mathfrak{e}}\right)=d$.

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## Theorem

Any quasi-linear equation as above has a solution in $\mathbb{T}$.
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