

AN EXISTENCE AND NON-UNIQUENESS THEOREM OF VORTEX WAVES OF THE PERIODIC TYPE

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1. The determination of the standing gravitational waves on the surface of a rotational fluid reduces to the following boundary value problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\psi &= F(\psi) \text{ in the region } T \\ \psi(x, 0) &= 0, \quad \psi(x, f) = 1 \\ \psi_x^2 + \psi_y^2 + 2vf &= 0 \quad \text{for } y = f \quad \left(v = \frac{gh^3}{Q^2}, h = \frac{Q}{c} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where $y = f(x)$ is the equation of the unknown free surface (figure), ψ is the stream function, h is the "depth" of the fluid, Q is the flow rate and c is the velocity.

In the relationships (1) all the unknowns are assumed to be dimensionless, Q and h are taken to be the characteristic dimensions.

The formulation and the first results of the problem (1) are due to Dubreil-Jacotoin [1]. The most general results published up to the present time are due to Gouyon [2, 3]. His basic assumptions are the following: $F(\psi)$ is a continuous function and the flow is near the uniform flow $\psi = y$.

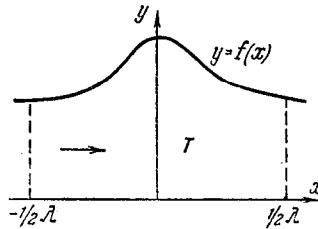
2. If we select x and ψ as independent variables, while the dependent variables are $u = \psi_y$ and $v = -\psi_x$, then the problem reduces to the following [2]:

$$\begin{aligned} uv_\psi - vu_\psi + u_x &= 0, & uu_\psi + vv_\psi - v_x &= F(\psi) \\ v &= 0 & \text{for } \psi &= 0, \\ uu_x + vv_x + vv/u &= 0 & \text{for } \psi &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Problem (2) always admits the solution

$$v = 0, \quad u \equiv z(\psi) = \left(2 \int_0^\psi F(\xi) d\xi + 1 \right)^{1/2}$$

Let us assume that the function $F(\psi)$ is such that $z(\psi) > d > 0$, where d is a positive constant.



We shall introduce new variables

$$u = ze^\tau \cos \theta, \quad v = ze^\tau \sin \theta \quad \left(\tau = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{u^2 + v^2}{z^2} \right)$$

where θ is the angle of inclination of the velocity vector. In terms of these variables, problem (2) is equivalent to the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} z\theta_\psi + \tau_x &= \Phi_1(\theta, \tau), & z\tau_\psi - \theta_x &= \Phi_2(\theta, \tau) & (3) \\ \theta &= 0 & \text{for } \psi &= 0 & (4) \\ \tau_x^* &= -ve^{-2\tau} \frac{\tan \theta^*}{z^2(1)} & & & (5) \end{aligned}$$

where the star denotes that the values of r and θ are finite. Φ_1 and Φ_2 are the nonlinear operators

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_1(\theta, \tau) &= -z\theta_\psi(e^\tau - 1) - \tau_x(\cos \theta - 1) + \theta_x \sin \theta \\ \Phi_2(\theta, \tau) &= \frac{F(\psi)}{z(\psi)}(e^{-\tau} - e^\tau) - z\tau_\psi(e^\tau - 1) + \theta_x(\cos \theta - 1) + \tau_x \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

The problem (3)-(5) has a trivial solution $r \equiv \theta \equiv 0$. We shall state the problem of finding the periodic solutions in x of the period λ (dimensional wavelength) of problem (3)-(5) adding to the enumerated conditions the condition of symmetry

$$\theta(-1/2 \lambda) = \theta(1/2 \lambda) = 0 \tag{6}$$

3. We shall investigate an auxiliary problem, in which we shall replace condition (5) by the following condition:

$$\tau(x, 1) \equiv \tau^*(x) = f_1(x) \tag{7}$$

Assume that $\theta = \theta_1 + \theta_2$, $\tau = \tau_1 + \tau_2$, where τ_1 and θ_1 is the solution of the boundary-value problem (4), (6) and (7) for the system (Problem A)

$$z\theta_\psi + \tau_\psi = 0, \quad z\tau_\psi - \theta_x = 0 \quad (8)$$

where θ_2 and τ_2 solve a homogeneous boundary problem for system (3), in which the expressions of the right-hand terms are replaced by the following expressions (problem B):

$$\Phi_i(\theta_1 + \theta_2, \tau_1 + \tau_2)$$

Lemma 1. The solution of problem A has the form

$$\theta_1 = A_1(\xi), \quad \tau_1 = B_1(\xi) + \tau_0 \quad \left(\xi = \frac{d\tau^*}{dx}\right) \quad (9)$$

where the operators A_1 and B_1 are linear integral operators with weak singularity and $\tau_0 = \tau^*(0)$.

Lemma 2. Problem B is equivalent to the following system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_2(x, \psi) &= - \int_0^{1/2\lambda} \int_0^1 K_{11}(x, \psi; x', \psi') \Phi_1(\theta_1 + \theta_2, \tau_1 + \tau_2) dx' d\psi' - \\ &- \int_0^{1/2\lambda} \int_0^1 K_{12} \Phi_2(\theta_1(x', \psi') + \theta_2(x', \psi'); \tau_1 + \tau_2) dx' d\psi' \\ \tau_2(x, \psi) &= - \int_0^{1/2\lambda} \int_0^1 K_{21} \Phi_1 dx' d\psi' + \int_0^{1/2\lambda} \int_0^1 K_{22} \Phi_2 dx' d\psi' \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} K_{11} &= \sum_{n, m} \frac{\mu_m}{\mu_m^2 + (\alpha n)^2} \frac{2\alpha \sin n\alpha x \sin n\alpha x'}{\pi} \frac{\chi_m(\psi) \chi_m(\psi')}{z(\psi')} \\ K_{12} &= \sum_{n, m} \frac{\alpha n}{\mu_m^2 + (\alpha n)^2} \frac{2\alpha \sin n\alpha x \cos n\alpha x'}{\pi} \frac{\chi_m(\psi) \chi_m(\psi')}{z(\psi')} \\ K_{21} &= \sum_{n, m} \frac{\alpha n}{\mu_m^2 + (\alpha n)^2} \frac{2\alpha \cos n\alpha x \sin n\alpha x'}{\pi} \frac{g_m(\psi) g_m(\psi')}{z(\psi')} \\ K_{22} &= \sum_{n, m} \frac{\mu_m}{\mu_m^2 + (\alpha n)^2} \frac{2\alpha \cos n\alpha x \cos n\alpha x'}{\pi} \frac{g_m(\psi) \chi_m(\psi')}{z(\psi')} \end{aligned}$$

where $\alpha = 2\pi/\lambda$, g_n and μ_n are the eigenfunctions and eigenvalues of the operator

$$\frac{d}{d\psi} \left(z \frac{dg_n}{d\psi} \right) = -\mu_n^2 \frac{g_n}{z}, \quad g(1) = \left(\frac{dg}{d\psi} \right)_{\psi=0} = 0, \quad \chi_n = \frac{z}{\mu_n} \frac{dq_n}{d\psi}$$

The functions g_n and χ_n are normalized with the weighting function $1/z$.

Lemma 3. For any differentiable r_1 and θ_1 , which satisfy the conditions $|r_1| < \epsilon$, $|r_{1x}| < \epsilon_1 \dots$, $|\theta_{1\psi}| < \epsilon$ where ϵ is some sufficiently small positive number, system (10) has the unique solution

$$\theta_2 = A_2(\theta_1, \tau_1), \quad \tau_2 = B_2(\theta_1, \tau_1) \quad (11)$$

where A_2 and B_2 are integer-power series of their variables; they converge uniformly in the rectangle T

$$-1/2 \lambda \leq x \leq 1/2 \lambda, \quad 0 \leq \psi \leq 1$$

The validity of this lemma follows from the theory of integral-differential equations developed in (5), a particular case of which is the system (10). In addition, the proof is based on the fact that the homogeneous boundary-value problem (4), (6) and (7) for the system (3) has only a trivial solution.

We shall denote by A_i^* the operators A_i under the condition that $\psi = 1$. Then

$$\theta_2^* = A_2^*(A, \xi) = D\xi \quad (12)$$

On the basis of the above statements $D\xi$ is an integral-power series, which converges uniformly on $-1/2 \lambda$, $1/2 \lambda$, if the magnitude of ξ is sufficiently small. Substituting the expressions obtained in Equation (5), we obtain

$$\xi = -\frac{\nu}{z^2} \exp(-2\tau_0) \exp\left(-2 \int_0^x \xi dx'\right) \quad (13)$$

The function $\exp(-2\tau_0)$ is analytic. We shall denote

$$k = -\nu \exp(-2\tau_0)$$

Then the problem will reduce to an equation of the form

$$\xi = kR\xi \quad (14)$$

In accordance with the foregoing, the operator R is the Liapunov operator, and, consequently, the general theory shows that Equation (14) has nontrivial solutions with a small norm in the region of single-valued eigenvalues of the corresponding linear problem. Hence, taking into consideration the structure of the function k , we arrive at the following basic theorem:

Theorem. If the function $F(\psi)$ is such that the integral

$$\int_0^1 F(\psi) d\psi \quad (z \geq d > 0)$$

exists, then for sufficiently small $\epsilon > 0$ the problem (3)-(5) for a fixed value of the period λ has a one-parametrical family of solutions, if only

$$\nu_n - \nu < \epsilon$$

where ν_n are the eigen numbers of the linearized problem.

Notes. 1. To compute the wave parameters it is not necessary actually to construct the operator R . It may be shown that the solution of the problem (3)-(5) is an analytic function of the parameter $\sqrt{\nu_n - \nu}$. Therefore, it is simpler to look directly for the solution of the resulting boundary-value problem in the form of a power series in this parameter.

2. The obtained solution will approximate not the uniform flow, as was the case in the previous investigations, but some rotational flow. For $F \equiv 0$ the obtained results lead to the classical results of Nekresov-Levi-Civita.

3. For the determination of the function τ_0 the following equation may be used:

$$1 = \int_0^1 (u)_{x=0} d\psi = \int_0^1 z(\psi) \exp \tau(0, \psi) d\psi$$

where

$$\tau = \tau_0 + B_1(\xi) + B_2(A_1(\xi)), \quad \tau_0 + B_1(\xi)$$

4. The operators A_1 and B_1 have the following form:

$$\theta_1 = A_1(\xi) = \int_0^{1/2\pi} \xi(x') \sum \frac{2\alpha \sin n\alpha x' \sin n\alpha x}{\pi n\alpha} \frac{z(1) g_n^*(1)}{n\alpha} dx'$$

$$\tau_1' = \tau_0 + B_1(\xi) = \tau_0 + \int_0^{1/2\pi} \xi(x') \sum \frac{2\alpha \cos n\alpha x \sin n\alpha x'}{\pi n\alpha} g_n^*(1) dx'$$

where g_n are functions which satisfy the equation

$$z \frac{d}{d\psi} (z g_n^*) - n^2 \alpha^2 g_n^* = 0$$

and the condition $g_n^*(0) = 0$. The functions g_n^* have the form

$$g_n^*(\psi) = \cosh \left(n\alpha \int_0^\psi \frac{d\psi}{z(\psi)} \right)$$

5. The functions g_n introduced in Lemma 2 have the form

$$g_n(\psi) = \delta \cos \mu_n \int_0^1 \frac{d\psi}{z(\psi)} \left(\mu_n = n\pi \left[\int_0^z \frac{d\psi}{z(\psi)} \right]^{-1} \right)$$

where δ is a normalizing multiplier.

Consequently, all computations may actually be carried out for any given function $F(\psi)$.

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