Conditionally invariant solutions of the rotating shallow water wave equations

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Abstract

This paper is devoted to the extension of the recently proposed conditional symmetry method to first-order nonhomogeneous quasilinear systems which are equivalent to homogeneous systems through a locally invertible point transformation. We perform a systematic analysis of the rank-1 and rank-2 solutions admitted by the shallow water wave equations in $(2 + 1)$ dimensions and construct the corresponding solutions of the rotating shallow water wave equations. These solutions involve in general arbitrary functions depending on Riemann invariants, which allow us to construct new interesting classes of solutions.

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1. Introduction

In this paper, we use the conditional symmetry method (CSM) in the context of Riemann invariants as presented in [9] to obtain conditionally invariant solutions of the rotating shallow water wave (RSWW) equations with a flat bottom topography [14]

$$\Delta(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) : \begin{cases} u_t + uu_x + vu_y + gh_x = 2\Omega v, & \Omega \in \mathbb{R}, \\ v_t + uv_x + vv_y + gh_y = -2\Omega u, \\ h_t + uh_x + vh_y + h(u_x + v_y) = 0, \end{cases} \tag{1.1}$$

where we denote by $\mathbf{x} = (t, x, y)$ and $\mathbf{u} = (u, v, h)$ the independent and dependent variables, respectively. Here, u and v stand for the velocity vector fields, h represents the height of the fluid layer, g is the gravitational constant and Ω characterizes the constant angular velocity of the fluid around the z-axis induced by a Coriolis force. It can be proved using the chain rule,

see [3], that if a set of functions $u'(t', x', y')$, $v'(t', x', y')$, $h'(t', x', y')$ satisfies the irrotational shallow water wave (SWW) equations

$$\Delta'(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) : \begin{cases} u'_{t'} + u'u'_{x'} + v'u'_{y'} + gh'_{x'} = 0, \\ v'_{t'} + u'v'_{x'} + v'v'_{y'} + gh'_{y'} = 0, \\ h'_{t'} + u'h'_{x'} + v'h'_{y'} + h'(u'_{x'} + v'_{y'}) = 0, \end{cases} \quad (1.2)$$

then the functions $u(t, x, y)$, $v(t, x, y)$, $h(t, x, y)$ defined by

$$t' = -\frac{1}{2\Omega} \cot(\Omega t), \qquad x' = \frac{1}{2}(y - x \cot(\Omega t)), \qquad y' = -\frac{1}{2}(x + y \cot(\Omega t)),$$

$$u' = -\frac{1}{2}(u \sin(2\Omega t) - v(1 - \cos(2\Omega t)) - 2\Omega x), \quad (1.3)$$

$$v' = -\frac{1}{2}(u(1 - \cos(2\Omega t)) + v \sin(2\Omega t) - 2\Omega y), \qquad h' = \frac{h}{2}(1 - \cos(2\Omega t)),$$

form a solution of the RSWW equations.

The task of constructing invariant solutions of systems (1.1) and (1.2) using the classical Lie approach was undertaken by several authors. A systematic classification of the subalgebras of the symmetry algebra of the equations describing a rotating shallow water flow in a rigid ellipsoidal basin was performed in [12] and many invariant solutions were obtained. In [3], the author introduced transformation (1.3) to generate invariant solutions of (1.1) from known invariant solutions of the homogeneous system (1.2), previously computed in [2] .

The CSM approach to be used in this paper was developed progressively and applied in [4, 8, 9] in order to construct rank-2 and rank-3 solutions to the equations governing the flow of an isentropic fluid. The main feature of this approach, which proved to be less restrictive than the generalized method of characteristics [9], is that the obtained rank-k solutions can depend on many arbitrary functions of many independent variables, called Riemann invariants. Through a judicious selection of these arbitrary functions, it is possible to construct solutions of the considered homogeneous system which are bounded everywhere, even when the Riemann invariants admit a gradient catastrophe [4]. Although the applicability of the CSM approach is technically restricted to first-order homogenous hyperbolic quasilinear systems, the objective of the present paper is to apply it to the RSWW equations (1.1) through transformation (1.3). Large classes of implicit rank-k solutions are then constructed for the SWW and RSWW equations, including bumps, kinks and periodic solutions.

The paper is organized as follows. We give in section 2 the symmetry algebra of the system (1.1) and construct the point transformation (1.3) relating systems (1.1) and (1.2). Section 3 contains a brief review of the conditional symmetry method in the context of Riemann invariants for homogeneous systems and we present many interesting rank-1 and rank-2 solutions to the SWW equations (1.2) together with corresponding solutions to the RSWW equations (1.1). Results and perspectives are summarized in section 4.

2. The symmetry algebra

The classical Lie symmetry algebra admitted by the system (1.1) is generated by vector fields of the form

$$X = \xi^1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})\partial_t + \xi^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})\partial_x + \xi^3(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})\partial_y + \eta^1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})\partial_u + \eta^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})\partial_v + \eta^3(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})\partial_h. \quad (2.1)$$

The requirement that the generator (2.1) leaves the system (1.1) invariant yields an overdetermined system of linear equations for the functions $\xi^i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})$ and $\eta^i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})$, $i = 1, 2, 3$ [13]. Since this step is completely algorithmic and involves tidy computations, many computer programs have been designed to derive these determining equations, see [10] for a complete

Table 1. Commutation relations for the Lie symmetry algebra of the RSWW equations.

	Y_1	Y_2	Y_3	Y_4	Y_5	Y_6	Y_7	Y_8	Y_9
Y_1	0	0	0	0	$-Y_2$	$-Y_1$	0	$-2\Omega Y_3$	$-Y_1$
Y_2		0	0	0	Y_1	$-Y_2$	0	$-2\Omega Y_4$	$-Y_2$
Y_3			0	0	$-Y_4$	$-Y_3$	$2\Omega Y_1$	0	Y_3
Y_4				0	Y_3	$-Y_4$	$2\Omega Y_2$	0	Y_4
Y_5					0	0	0	0	0
Y_6						0	0	0	0
Y_7							0	$-4\Omega^2 Y_9$	$-2Y_7$
Y_8								0	$2Y_8$
Y_9									0

review. The package *symmgrp2009.max* [1, 11] for the computer algebra system *Maxima* has been used in this work to obtain the determining equations of the RSWW equations (1.1) and to solve them partially in a recursive way. Solving them shows that the Lie algebra $\mathcal{L}$ of point symmetries of the RSWW equations (1.1) is nine dimensional and is generated by the following differential generators:

$$P_0 = \partial_t, \qquad P_1 = \partial_x, \qquad P_2 = \partial_y, \qquad L = y\partial_x - x\partial_y + v\partial_u - u\partial_v,$$

$$G_1 = -\frac{1}{2\Omega}\cos(2\Omega t)\partial_x + \frac{1}{2\Omega}\sin(2\Omega t)\partial_y + \sin(2\Omega t)\partial_u + \cos(2\Omega t)\partial_v,$$

$$G_2 = \frac{1}{2\Omega}\sin(2\Omega t)\partial_x + \frac{1}{2\Omega}\cos(2\Omega t)\partial_y + \cos(2\Omega t)\partial_u - \sin(2\Omega t)\partial_v,$$

$$D = x\partial_x + y\partial_y + u\partial_u + v\partial_v + 2h\partial_h,$$

$$Z_1 = \sin(2\Omega t)\partial_t + \Omega\left[x\cos(2\Omega t) + y\sin(2\Omega t)\right]\partial_x + \Omega\left[y\cos(2\Omega t) - x\sin(2\Omega t)\right]\partial_y \qquad (2.2)$$
$$\qquad + \Omega\left[(2\Omega y - u)\cos(2\Omega t) - (2\Omega x - v)\sin(2\Omega t)\right]\partial_u$$
$$\qquad - \Omega\left[(2\Omega x + v)\cos(2\Omega t) + (2\Omega y + u)\sin(2\Omega t)\right]\partial_v - 2\Omega h\cos(2\Omega t)\partial_h,$$

$$Z_2 = \cos(2\Omega t)\partial_t + \Omega\left[y\cos(2\Omega t) - x\sin(2\Omega t)\right]\partial_x - \Omega\left[x\cos(2\Omega t) + y\sin(2\Omega t)\right]\partial_y$$
$$\qquad - \Omega\left[(2\Omega y - u)\sin(2\Omega t) + (2\Omega x - v)\cos(2\Omega t)\right]\partial_u$$
$$\qquad + \Omega\left[(2\Omega x + v)\sin(2\Omega t) - (2\Omega y + u)\cos(2\Omega t)\right]\partial_v + 2\Omega h\sin(2\Omega t)\partial_h.$$

The geometrical interpretation of these generators is as follows. The system (1.1) is left invariant by the translations P_0, P_1, P_2 in the space of independent variables since it is autonomous. The element L generates a rotation of the whole coordinate system while G_1 and G_2 represent helical rotations. The system is also left invariant by the dilation D and the two conformal transformations Z_1 and Z_2.

The Levi decomposition $\mathcal{L} = F \niplus N$ of the symmetry algebra $\mathcal{L}$ can be exhibited by considering its commutation table (table 1) in the following basis:

$$Y_1 = P_2 - 2\Omega G_2, \quad Y_2 = -(P_1 + 2\Omega G_1), \quad Y_3 = P_1 - 2\Omega G_1, \quad Y_4 = P_2 + 2\Omega G_2,$$

$$Y_5 = -L, \quad Y_6 = D, \quad Y_7 = P_0 - \Omega L - Z_2, \quad Y_8 = P_0 - \Omega L + Z_2, \quad Y_9 = -\frac{1}{\Omega}Z_1. \qquad (2.3)$$

Here $F = \{Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4, Y_5, Y_6\}$ is a maximal solvable ideal and $N = \{Y_7, Y_8, Y_9\}$ is isomorphic to the simple Lie algebra $su(1, 1)$. Following the procedure presented in [6, 7],

we introduce a set of canonical variables associated with the Abelian subalgebra $\{Y_1, Y_2, Y_7\}$ and defined by

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
Y_7 t' = 1, & Y_1 t' = 0, & Y_2 t' = 0, \\
Y_7 x' = 0, & Y_1 x' = 1, & Y_2 x' = 0, \\
Y_7 y' = 0, & Y_1 y' = 0, & Y_2 y' = 1, \\
Y_7 u' = Y_7 v' = Y_7 h' = & Y_1 u' = Y_1 v' = Y_1 h' = & Y_2 u' = Y_2 v' = Y_2 h' = 0,
\end{array}
\tag{2.4}
$$

to bring the system (1.1) into an equivalent autonomous form. It turns out that the set of variables (1.3) satisfies the system (2.4) so that when expressed in these variables, the vector fields Y_1, Y_2, Y_7 are rectified to the canonical form

$$
Y_7 = \partial_{t'}, \qquad Y_1 = \partial_{x'}, \qquad Y_2 = \partial_{y'}.
$$

Moreover, using the chain rule, it is easily found that the system (1.1) transforms to

$$
\begin{aligned}
&u'_{t'} + u'u'_{x'} + v'u'_{y'} + gh'_{x'} = 0, \\
&v'_{t'} + u'v'_{x'} + v'v'_{y'} + gh'_{y'} = 0, \\
&h'_{t'} + u'h'_{x'} + v'h'_{y'} + h'(u'_{x'} + v'_{y'}) = 0,
\end{aligned}
$$

which shows the equivalence between systems (1.1) and (1.2). The next section demonstrates how the point transformation (1.3) can be used to construct implicit solutions of equations (1.1) expressed in terms of Riemann invariants.

3. Conditionally invariant solutions of the SWW and RSWW equations

We present in this section a brief description of the CSM approach developed progressively in [9] and [8] and obtain several rank-1 and rank-2 solutions of the SWW equations in closed form. We illustrate the process of construction of the corresponding solutions for the RSWW equations with several interesting examples. The SWW equations (1.2) can be written in a matrix evolutionary form as

$$
\mathbf{u}_t + a^1(\mathbf{u})\mathbf{u}_x + a^2(\mathbf{u})\mathbf{u}_y = 0,
\tag{3.1}
$$

where a^1, a^2 are the 3×3 matrix functions given by

$$
a^1 = \begin{pmatrix} u & 0 & g \\ 0 & u & 0 \\ h & 0 & u \end{pmatrix}, \qquad a^2 = \begin{pmatrix} v & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & v & g \\ 0 & h & v \end{pmatrix}.
$$

The objective is to construct rank-k solutions, $k = 1, 2$, of the system (3.1) expressible in terms of Riemann invariants. To this end, we look for solutions of (3.1) defined implicitly by the relations

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}(r^1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \dots, r^k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})), \qquad r^A(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = \lambda_i^A(\mathbf{u})x^i, \\
\det\left(\lambda_0^A \mathcal{I}_3 + a^1(\mathbf{u})\lambda_1^A + a^2(\mathbf{u})\lambda_2^A\right) = 0, \qquad A = 1, \dots, k,
\end{aligned}
\tag{3.2}
$$

for some function $f : \mathbb{R}^k \to \mathbb{R}^3$, where $\mathcal{I}_3$ is the 3×3 identity matrix. A solution of the form (3.2) will be called a rank-k solution if rank$(\partial u) = k$ in some open set $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ around the origin, where ∂u stands for the Jacobian matrix of $\mathbf{u}$ in the original variables. The functions $r^A(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})$ are called the Riemann invariants associated with the linearly independent wave vectors $\lambda^A = \left(\lambda_0^A, \vec{\lambda}^A\right) = \left(\lambda_0^A, \lambda_1^A, \lambda_2^A\right)$, which are obtained by solving the dispersion relation of equation (3.1) for the phase velocity λ_0. This relation takes the form

$$
\det\left(\lambda_0 \mathcal{I}_3 + a^1(\mathbf{u})\lambda_1 + a^2(\mathbf{u})\lambda_2\right)
$$
$$
= (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v)(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v + \sqrt{gh})(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v - \sqrt{gh}) = 0. \tag{3.3}
$$

The wave vectors are thus of the entropic (E) and acoustic (S) type defined respectively by

(i) $\quad \lambda^E = (-\lambda_1 u - \lambda_2 v, \lambda_1, \lambda_2),$

(ii) $\quad \lambda^{S_\varepsilon} = (-(\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v + \varepsilon\sqrt{gh}), \lambda_1, \lambda_2), \qquad |\vec{\lambda}|^2 = \lambda_1{}^2 + \lambda_2{}^2 = 1, \qquad \varepsilon = \pm 1.$

$$(3.4)$$

We associate with each of them the corresponding Riemann invariant

(i) $\quad r^E = -(\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v)t + \lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 y,$

(ii) $\quad r^{S_\varepsilon} = -(\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v + \varepsilon\sqrt{gh})t + \lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 y, \qquad |\vec{\lambda}|^2 = 1, \qquad \varepsilon = \pm 1.$

$$(3.5)$$

The analyses of rank-k solutions for the cases $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ are very similar; hence, we restrict ourselves to the positive case.

It is convenient when studying solutions of type (3.2) to write the system (3.1) in the form of a trace equation

$$\mathrm{Tr}[\mathcal{A}^\mu(\mathbf{u})\partial u] = 0, \qquad \mu = 1, \ldots, l, \tag{3.6}$$

where $\mathcal{A}^\mu(\mathbf{u})$ are now 3×3 matrix functions of $\mathbf{u}$, defined by

$$\mathcal{A}^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ u & 0 & g \\ v & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \mathcal{A}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & u & 0 \\ 0 & v & g \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \mathcal{A}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ h & 0 & u \\ 0 & h & v \end{pmatrix}.$$

The construction of rank-k solutions through the conditional symmetry method is achieved by considering an overdetermined system, consisting of the original system (3.1) together with a set of compatible first-order differential constraints (DCs),

$$\xi_a^i(\mathbf{u})u_i^\alpha = 0, \qquad \lambda_i^A(\mathbf{u})\xi_a^i(\mathbf{u}) = 0, \qquad a = 1, \ldots, 3-k, \qquad A = 1, \ldots, k, \tag{3.7}$$

for which a symmetry criterion is automatically satisfied. Here and throughout this work, we use the summation convention over repeated indices. Introducing the functions

$$\bar{x}^1 = r^1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \ldots, \bar{x}^k = r^k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \qquad \bar{x}^{k+1} = x^{k+1}, \ldots$$

$$\bar{u} = u, \qquad \bar{v} = v, \qquad \bar{h} = h, \tag{3.8}$$

as new coordinates on $\mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3$ space, the Jacobi matrix ∂u now reads

$$\partial u = \frac{\partial f}{\partial r}\left(\mathcal{I}_k - (\eta_0 t + \eta_1 x + \eta_2 y)\frac{\partial f}{\partial r}\right)^{-1}\lambda, \tag{3.9}$$

where

$$\lambda = \left(\lambda_i^A\right) \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times 3}, \qquad r = (r^1, \ldots, r^k) \in \mathbb{R}^k, \qquad \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} = \left(\frac{\partial f^\alpha}{\partial r^A}\right) \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times k},$$

$$\eta_a = \left(\frac{\partial \lambda_a^A}{\partial u^\alpha}\right) \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times 3}, \qquad a = 0, \ldots, 2, \tag{3.10}$$

so that the system (3.6) is now expressed as

$$\mathrm{Tr}\left[\mathcal{A}^\mu(\mathbf{u})\frac{\partial f}{\partial r}\left(\mathcal{I}_k - (\eta_0 t + \eta_1 x + \eta_2 y)\frac{\partial f}{\partial r}\right)^{-1}\lambda\right] = 0, \qquad \mu = 1, \ldots, l. \tag{3.11}$$

Requiring that the system (3.11) be satisfied for all values of the coordinates (t, x, y), the following result holds (see [9] for a general statement and a detailed proof).

Proposition 1. *The nondegenerate quasilinear hyperbolic system of first-order PDEs (3.1) admits a $(3-k)$-dimensional conditional symmetry algebra L, $k \leqslant 2$, if and only if there exists a set of $(3-k)$ linearly independent vector fields*

$$X_a = \xi_a^i(u)\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \quad a = 1, \ldots, 3-k, \quad \det\left(a^i(u)\lambda_i^A\right) = 0, \quad \lambda_i^A\xi_a^i = 0, \quad A = 1, \ldots, k,$$

which satisfy, on some neighborhood of $(x_0, u_0) \in X \times U$, the trace conditions

$$k = 1 : \quad \text{(i)} \quad \text{tr}\left(\mathcal{A}^\mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \lambda \right) = 0, \qquad \mu = 1, \dots, 3, \tag{3.12}$$

$$k = 2 : \quad \text{(i)} \quad \text{tr}\left(\mathcal{A}^\mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \lambda \right) = 0, \qquad \text{(ii)} \quad \text{tr}\left(\mathcal{A}^\mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \eta_a \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \lambda \right) = 0, \qquad a = 0, \dots, 2, \tag{3.13}$$

where the relevant matrices are defined in (3.10). Solutions of the system which are invariant under the Lie algebra L are precisely rank-k solutions of the form (3.2).

Note that the vector fields X_a, $a = 1, \dots, 3-k$, are not symmetries of the original system. Nevertheless, as we will show, they can be used to build solutions of the overdetermined system composed of (3.1) and the differential constraints (3.7).

To construct solutions of the RSWW equations, we assume that a solution of the SWW equations (1.2),

$$u = u(\mathbf{r}), \qquad v = v(\mathbf{r}), \qquad h = h(\mathbf{r}), \qquad \mathbf{r} = (r^1, \dots, r^k),$$

has been obtained from equations (3.12) or (3.13). Then the Riemann invariants r^A can be expressed as a graph

$$r^A = r^A(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = r^A(\mathbf{x}, \Phi(\mathbf{r})) \tag{3.14}$$

in the $(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{x})$ space for some function $\Phi : \mathbb{R}^k \to \mathbb{R}^q$. The change of variables (1.3) induces a transformation of the independent variables in this space,

$$t \to -\frac{1}{2\Omega} \cot(\Omega t), \qquad x \to \frac{1}{2}(y - x\cot(\Omega t)), \qquad y \to -\frac{1}{2}(x + y\cot(\Omega t)), \tag{3.15}$$

and we denote by $\tilde{\mathbf{r}} = (\tilde{r}^1, \dots, \tilde{r}^k)$ the resulting functions in the new variables. Then, according to transformation (1.3), the functions

$$\tilde{u} = -u(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}) \cot(\Omega t) - v(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}) + \Omega(y + x\cot(\Omega)),$$
$$\tilde{v} = u(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}) - v(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}) \cot(\Omega t) - \Omega(x - y\cot(\Omega t)), \tag{3.16}$$
$$\tilde{h} = h(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}) \csc^2(\Omega t)$$

form a solution of the RSWW equations (1.1). Even though transformation (1.3) is singular at every time $t = \frac{\pi}{2\Omega}(2n + 1)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we show that it is possible to obtain implicit solutions defined in a neigborhood of the origin $t = 0$.

3.1. Rank-1 solutions

The reduction procedure outlined above has been applied to obtain rank-1 and rank-2 solutions of the SWW equations (1.2) and their corresponding solutions of the RSWW system (1.1). We present here several rank-1 solutions, also called simple waves, associated with the different types of wave vectors (3.4). Note that in the case where $k = 1$, the CSM and the generalized method of characteristics agree [9].

(i) Similarly, simple entropic-type waves are obtained by considering the system (1.2) in the new variables

$$\bar{t} = t, \qquad \bar{x} = r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \qquad \bar{y} = y, \qquad \bar{u} = u, \qquad \bar{v} = v, \qquad \bar{h} = h,$$

where $r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = -(\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v)t + \lambda_1^1 x + \lambda_2^1 y$ and the functions λ_i, $i = 1, 2$, are allowed to depend on u, v, h. Following proposition 1, we look for solutions invariant under the vector fields

$$X_1 = \lambda_1 \partial_t + (\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v)\partial_x, \qquad X_2 = \lambda_2 \partial_t + (\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v)\partial_y. \qquad (3.17)$$

The transformed system (3.12) reads

$$g\lambda_1 h_r = 0, \qquad g\lambda_2 h_r = 0, \qquad (\lambda_1 u_r + \lambda_2 v_r)h = 0. \qquad (3.18)$$

To obtain a nontrivial solution, we must have $h = h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$ together with the relation

$$\lambda_1 u_r + \lambda_2 v_r = 0. \qquad (3.19)$$

For example, if λ_1 and λ_2 are constant, we can express u in terms of v and obtain the explicit solution

$$u = u_0 - \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} v(r), \qquad v = v(r), \qquad h = h_0, \qquad r = -u_0 \lambda_1 t + \lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 y,$$

$$\lambda_1 \neq 0, \qquad h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+,$$

where λ_2 is an arbitrary constant and $v(r)$ is an arbitrary function.

When the λ_i are not constant, different choices can lead to solutions for the velocity vector fields $u(r)$ and $v(r)$ which are of distinct nature. For example, consider the choice $\lambda_1 = u$, $\lambda_2 = v$, leading to

$$uu_r + vv_r = \tfrac{1}{2}(u^2 + v^2)_r = 0 \Rightarrow u^2 + v^2 = C^2, \qquad C \in \mathbb{R}.$$

A periodic solution is obtained by choosing

$$u = C \sin r, \qquad v = C \cos r, \qquad h = h_0, \qquad C \in \mathbb{R}, \qquad (3.20)$$

where the Riemann invariant is given implicitly by

$$r = -C(Ct - x \sin r - y \cos r). \qquad (3.21)$$

When $\lambda_1 = v$, $\lambda_2 = u$, equation (3.19) implies

$$vu_r + uv_r = (uv)_r = 0 \Rightarrow v = \frac{C}{u(r)}, \qquad C \in \mathbb{R}.$$

We then get the solution

$$u = u(r), \qquad v = \frac{C}{u(r)}, \qquad h = h_0 \in \mathbb{R}, \qquad r = -2Ct + \frac{C}{u(r)}x + u(r)y, \quad (3.22)$$

where $u(r)$ is an arbitrary function of the Riemann invariant r.

(ii) Similarly, simple acoustic-type waves are obtained by considering the system (1.2) in the new variables

$$\bar{t} = t, \quad \bar{x} = r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \quad \bar{y} = y, \quad \bar{u} = u, \quad \bar{v} = v, \quad \bar{h} = h,$$

where $r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = -(\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v + \sqrt{gh})t + \lambda_1^1 x + \lambda_2^1 y$, $|\vec{\lambda}|^2 = 1$, and the functions λ_i, $i = 1, 2$, are allowed to depend on u, v, h. Rank-1 solutions of this type are invariant under the vector fields

$$X_1 = \lambda_1 \partial_t + (\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v + \sqrt{gh})\partial_x, \qquad X_2 = \lambda_2 \partial_t + (\lambda_1 u + \lambda_2 v + \sqrt{gh})\partial_y. \qquad (3.23)$$

In this case, the transformed system (3.12) is

$$\lambda_1 \sqrt{\frac{g}{h}} h_r = u_r, \qquad \lambda_2 \sqrt{\frac{g}{h}} h_r = v_r, \qquad h(\lambda_1 u_r + \lambda_2 v_r) = \sqrt{gh} h_r. \qquad (3.24)$$

Table 2. Rank-1 solutions of the SWW equation (1.2). The functions $S(\cdot)$ and $C(\cdot)$ are the sine and cosine Fresnel integrals.

Type	Solution	Riemann invariant	Comments
1.E	$u = u_0 - \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\varphi(r)$ $v = \varphi(r)$ $h = h_0$	$r = -u_0\lambda_1 t + \lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 y$	$\varphi : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ $\lambda_i, u_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ $h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$
2.E	$u = C \sin r$ $v = C \cos r$ $h = h_0$	$r = C(-Ct + x \sin r + y \cos r)$	$C \in \mathbb{R}$ $h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$
3.E	$u = \varphi(r)$ $v = C/\varphi(r)$ $h = h_0$	$r = -2Ct + \frac{C}{\varphi(r)}x + u(r)y$	$\varphi : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ $C \in \mathbb{R}$ $h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$
4.S	$u = u_0 + 2\lambda_1\sqrt{g}\varphi(r)$ $v = v_0 + 2\lambda_2\sqrt{g}\varphi(r)$ $h = \varphi(r)^2$	$r = -(\lambda_1 u_0 + \lambda_2 v_0 + 3\sqrt{gh})t + \lambda_1 x + \lambda_2 y$	$\varphi : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ $\lambda_i, u_0, v_0 \in \mathbb{R}$
5.S	$u = u_0 - 2\sqrt{g}\cos\varphi(r)$ $v = v_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\sin\varphi(r)$ $h = (\varphi(r) + h_0)^2$	$r = -(u_0 \sin(\varphi(r)) + v_0 \cos(\varphi(r))$ $\quad + \sqrt{g}(\varphi(r) + h_0))t + \sin(\varphi(r))x + \cos(\varphi(r))y$	$\varphi : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ $u_0, v_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ $h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$
6.S	$u = u_0 + \sqrt{2\pi g}S\left(\sqrt{\frac{2\varphi(r)}{\pi}}\right)$ $v = v_0 + \sqrt{2\pi g}C\left(\sqrt{\frac{2\varphi(r)}{\pi}}\right)$ $h = (\sqrt{\varphi(r)} + h_0)^2$	$r = -\left(\sin(\varphi(r))\left(u_0 + \sqrt{2\pi g}S\left(\sqrt{\frac{2\varphi(r)}{\pi}}\right)\right)\right.$ $\quad + \cos(\varphi(r))\left(v_0 + \sqrt{2\pi g}C\left(\sqrt{\frac{2\varphi(r)}{\pi}}\right)\right)$ $\quad \left. + \sqrt{g}(\sqrt{\varphi(r)} + h_0)\right)t + \sin(\varphi(r))x + \cos(\varphi(r))y$	$\varphi : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^+$ $u_0, v_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ $h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$

The third equation is automatically satisfied whenever the first two are and $|\vec{\lambda}|^2 = 1$. Note that in order to obtain a solution for $h(r)$, it is necessary that the relation

$$\lambda_1(u, v, h)v_r - \lambda_2(u, v, h)u_r = 0 \tag{3.25}$$

be satisfied. Considering different choices for the functions $\lambda_i(u, v, h)$, we obtain several interesting solutions, presented in table 2.

For illustration, we now turn to the construction of the implicit solution of the RSWW equations corresponding to (3.20), (3.21) using transformation (1.3). We first transform the Riemann invariant r to obtain an implicit equation for $\tilde{r}$:

$$\tilde{r} = \frac{C^2}{2\Omega}\cot(\Omega t) + \frac{C}{2}[(y - x\cot(\Omega t))\sin\tilde{r} - (x + y\cot(\Omega t))\cos\tilde{r}]. \tag{3.26}$$

Using equations (3.16), we obtain the implicit solution of the RSWW equations

$$\begin{aligned}
u &= -C\cos\tilde{r} - C\cot(\Omega t)\sin\tilde{r} + \Omega(y + x\cot(\Omega t)), \\
v &= C\sin\tilde{r} - C\cot(\Omega t)\cos\tilde{r} - \Omega(y + x\cot(\Omega t)), \\
h &= h_0\csc^2(\Omega t),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.27}$$

where $\tilde{r}$ is the solution of the implicit equation (3.26). This solution has period π/Ω and goes to infinity at every time $t = k\pi/\Omega$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Nevertheless, due to the invariance of equations (1.1) with respect to translations in time, it is possible to use a time shift $t \to t + t_0$

Table 3. Rank-2 solutions of the SWW equations.

Type	Riemann invariants	Solution	Comments
ES	$r^1 = \lambda_2^1(v)((2G(s) + \sqrt{3}\varepsilon F(r^2))t$ $\quad - \sqrt{3}\varepsilon x - y)$	$u = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon G(s) + F(r^2)$	$h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+, \varepsilon^2 = 1$
	$r^2 = \left(\frac{3}{2}F(r^2) + \frac{h_0}{2}\right)t - x$	$v = G(s)$	$F, G : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$
	$s = r^2 - \frac{\sqrt{3}\varepsilon}{2\lambda_2^1(G(s))}r^1$	$h = \frac{1}{4g}\Big(F(r^2)$	$\lambda_2^1 : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$
		$\quad - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon G(s) + h_0\Big)^2$	
SS	$r^1 = -\Big(\lambda_1^1 u_0 + \lambda_2^1 v_0$	$u = u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\Big(\lambda_1^1 h_1(r^1)$	$u_0, v_0, \lambda_j^i \in \mathbb{R}, |\vec{\lambda}^i| = 1$
	$\quad + 3\sqrt{g}h_1(r^1)\Big)t + \lambda_1^1 x + \lambda_2^1 y$	$\quad + \varepsilon\lambda_1^2 h_2(r^2)\Big)$	
	$r^2 = -\Big(\lambda_1^2 u_0 + \lambda_2^2 v_0$	$v = v_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\Big(\lambda_2^1 h_1(r^1)$	$h_1, h_2 : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$
	$\quad + 3\varepsilon\sqrt{g}h_2(r^2)\Big)t + \lambda_1^2 x + \lambda_2^2 y$	$\quad + \varepsilon\lambda_2^2 h_2(r^2)\Big)$	
		$h = (h_1(r^1) + h_2(r^2))^2$	$\vec{\lambda}^1 \cdot \vec{\lambda}^2 = -\varepsilon/2, \varepsilon^2 = 1$

so that equations (3.26) are well defined in a neighborhood of length π/Ω around $t = 0$. For example, the translation $t \to t + \frac{\pi}{2\Omega}$ gives the solution

$$u = -C\cos\bar{r} + C\tan(\Omega t)\sin\bar{r} + \Omega(y - x\tan(\Omega t)),$$
$$v = C\sin\bar{r} + C\tan(\Omega t)\cos\bar{r} - \Omega(y - x\tan(\Omega t)), \tag{3.28}$$
$$h = h_0\sec^2(\Omega t),$$

where $\bar{r}$ satisfies the equation

$$\bar{r} = -\frac{C^2}{2\Omega}\tan(\Omega t) + \frac{C}{2}[(y + x\tan(\Omega t))\sin\bar{r} - (x - y\tan(\Omega t))\cos\bar{r}], \tag{3.29}$$

which is clearly defined in the interval $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2\Omega}, \frac{\pi}{2\Omega}\right)$. Note that this process can be applied to every solution presented in table 2 to generate local solutions of the RSWW equations defined around $t = 0$.

3.2. Rank-2 solutions

The construction of rank-2 solutions is much more involved than that in the case $k = 1$ since it requires us to solve the system (3.13), which is composed of at most 12 independent nonlinear partial differential equations, compared to only three equations. However, we now show that the task is undertakable and leads to interesting solutions. The results of this analysis are summarized in tables 3 and 4.

(i) We first look for rank-2 solutions resulting from the interaction of two entropic-type solutions. They are invariant under the vector field

$$X = \partial_t + u\partial_x + v\partial_y. \tag{3.30}$$

In the variables
$$\bar{t} = t, \quad \bar{x}^1 = r^1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \quad \bar{x}^2 = r^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \quad \bar{u} = u, \quad \bar{v} = v, \quad \bar{h} = h,$$
$$r^i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = t - \frac{\lambda_1^i}{\lambda_1^i u + \lambda_2^i v}x - \frac{\lambda_2^i}{\lambda_1^i u + \lambda_2^i v}y, \qquad i = 1, 2, \tag{3.31}$$

Table 4. Rank-2 solutions of the RSWW equations.

Type	Riemann invariants	Solution	Comments
ES	$r^1 = \lambda_2^1(G(\tilde{s}))\Big(-\frac{1}{2\Omega}(2G(s) + \sqrt{3}\varepsilon F(r^2))\cot(\Omega t)$	$u = -\Big(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon G(s) + F(r^2)\Big)\cot(\Omega t) - G(s) + \Omega(y + x\cot(\Omega t))$	$h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+, \epsilon^2 = 1$
	$\quad -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\varepsilon(y - x\cot(\Omega t)) + \frac{1}{2}(x + y\cot(\Omega t))\Big)$	$v = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon G(s) + F(r^2) - G(s)\cot(\Omega t) - \Omega(x - y\cot(\Omega t))$	$F, G : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$
	$r^2 = -\frac{1}{4\Omega}(3F(r^2) + h_0)\cot(\Omega t) - \frac{1}{2}(y - x\cot(\Omega t)),$	$h = \frac{1}{4g}\Big(F(r^2) - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon G(s) + h_0\Big)^2 \csc^2(\Omega t)$	$\lambda_2^1 : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$
	$s = r^2 - \frac{\sqrt{3}\varepsilon}{2\lambda_2^1(G(s))}r^1$		
SS	$r^1 = \frac{1}{2}\Big[\frac{1}{\Omega}\Big(\lambda_1^1 u_0 + \lambda_2^1 v_0 + 3\sqrt{g}h_1(r^1)\Big)\cot(\Omega t)$	$u = -(u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}(\lambda_1^1 h_1(r^1) + \varepsilon\lambda_1^2 h_2(r^2)))\cot(\Omega t),$	$u_0, v_0, \lambda_j^i \in \mathbb{R},$
	$\quad + \lambda_1^1(y - x\cot(\Omega t)) - \lambda_2^1(x + y\cot(\Omega t))\Big]$	$\quad -(v_0 + 2\sqrt{g}(\lambda_2^1 h_1(r^1) + \varepsilon\lambda_2^2 h_2(r^2))) + \Omega(y + x\cot(\Omega t))$	$h_1, h_2 : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$
	$r^2 = \frac{1}{2}\Big[\frac{1}{\Omega}\Big(\lambda_1^2 u_0 + \lambda_2^2 v_0 + 3\varepsilon\sqrt{g}h_2(r^2)\Big)\cot(\Omega t)$	$v = -(v_0 + 2\sqrt{g}(\lambda_2^1 h_1(r^1) + \varepsilon\lambda_2^2 h_2(r^2)))\cot(\Omega t)$	$\vec{\lambda}^1 \cdot \vec{\lambda}^2 = -\varepsilon/2$
	$\quad + \lambda_1^2(y - x\cot(\Omega t)) - \lambda_2^2(x + y\cot(\Omega t))\Big]$	$\quad +u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}(\lambda_1^1 h_1(r^1) + \varepsilon\lambda_1^2 h_2(r^2)) - \Omega(x - y\cot(\Omega t))$	$|\vec{\lambda}^i| = 1, \varepsilon^2 = 1$
		$h = (h_1(\tilde{r}^1) + h_2(\tilde{r}^2))\csc^2(\Omega t)$	

equation (3.13(i)) reads

$$\lambda_1^1\big(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v\big)h_{r^1} + \lambda_1^2\big(\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v\big)h_{r^2} = 0, \tag{3.32}$$

$$\lambda_2^1\big(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v\big)h_{r^1} + \lambda_2^2\big(\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v\big)h_{r^2} = 0, \tag{3.33}$$

$$\big(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^1 u_{r^1} + \lambda_2^1 v_{r^1}\big) + \big(\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^2 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^2 v_{r^2}\big) = 0. \tag{3.34}$$

A solution to the first two equations exists if and only if

$$\big(\lambda_1^1\lambda_2^2 - \lambda_2^1\lambda_1^2\big)\big(\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v\big) = 0 \qquad \text{or} \qquad h = h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$

The conditions on the functions λ_j^i imply that either the wave vectors are parallel or one of the considered waves has zero velocity. From these conditions, we now show that no rank-2 solution can be built from this type of interaction.

When $\vec{\lambda}^2 = k\vec{\lambda}^1$, the Riemann invariants r^1 and r^2 are equal; hence, the solution cannot be of rank 2. Therefore, we look for solutions with $h = h_0$, a positive constant. Equation (3.34) implies that

$$u_{r^1} = -\frac{1}{\lambda_1^1}\frac{\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v}{\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v}\big(\lambda_1^2 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^2 v_{r^2}\big) - \frac{\lambda_2^1}{\lambda_1^1}v_{r^1}. \tag{3.35}$$

We then consider the linear combination

$$\frac{1}{uv}\mathrm{Tr}\left[\mathcal{A}^3\frac{\partial f}{\partial r}(u\eta_1 + v\eta_2)\frac{\partial f}{\partial r}\lambda\right] = -\frac{2}{uv}\big(\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^1\lambda_2^2 - \lambda_2^1\lambda_1^2\big)$$
$$\times \big((\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v)\big(\lambda_1^2 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^2 v_{r^2}\big)v_{r^2} + \big(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^1 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^1 v_{r^2}\big)v_{r^1}\big), \tag{3.36}$$

implying that a rank-2 solution must satisfy

$$\big(\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^2 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^2 v_{r^2}\big)v_{r^2} + \big(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^1 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^1 v_{r^2}\big)v_{r^1} = 0. \tag{3.37}$$

When $\lambda_1^2 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^2 v_{r^2} = 0$, equation (3.35) requires that

$$u_{r^1} = -\frac{\lambda_2^1}{\lambda_1^1}v_{r^1}, \qquad v_{r^2} = -\frac{\lambda_1^2}{\lambda_2^2}u_{r^2},$$

so that (3.37) becomes

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_2^2}\big(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^1\lambda_2^2 - \lambda_1^2\lambda_2^1\big)u_{r^2}v_{r^1} = 0,$$

leading necessarily to a rank-1 solution. Hence we can solve (3.37) for v_{r^2}, and expression (3.35) for u_{r^1} implies that

$$\frac{u_{r^2}}{u_{r^1}} = \frac{v_{r^2}}{v_{r^1}} = -\frac{\big(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^1 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^1 v_{r^2}\big)}{\big(\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v\big)\big(\lambda_1^2 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^2 v_{r^2}\big)}; \tag{3.38}$$

hence, we must have $v = F(u)$, for an arbitrary function $F : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$. But this implies that the Jacobian matrix of the solution is of rank 1, since $h = h_0$. Thus, no rank-2 solution of type EE exists. For example, consider the simplest case when $\lambda_1^1 = \lambda_2^2 = 1$, $\lambda_2^1 = \lambda_1^2 = 0$. The Riemann invariants are then given by

$$r^1 = t - \frac{x}{u}, \qquad r^2 = t - \frac{y}{v}.$$

Equations (3.35) and (3.37) become

$$uv_{r^2} + vu_{r^1} = 0, \qquad uv_{r^2}{}^2 + vu_{r^2}v_{r^1} = 0. \tag{3.39}$$

Solving for v_{r^1} and v_{r^2}, we obtain that the rank of the Jacobian matrix

$$
J = \frac{\partial(u, v, h)}{\partial(r^1, r^2)} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{r^1} & u_{r^2} \\ -\dfrac{v}{u}\dfrac{u_{r^1}{}^2}{u_{r^2}} & -\dfrac{v}{u}u_{r^1} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}
\tag{3.40}
$$

is equal to 1. A particular solution of (3.39) is given by

$$
u = (-1)^m s^m, \quad m \neq -1, \quad s = \frac{C_1 r^2 + C_2}{C_3 r^1 + C_4}, \quad C_i \in \mathbb{R}, \quad i = 1, \dots, 5,
$$
$$
v = C_5 \exp\left(\frac{C_3}{C_1} m s\right), \quad h = h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+,
\tag{3.41}
$$

which is indeed seen to depend on the single variable s.

(ii) We now look for interactions of a solution of each type. This type of solution is invariant under the vector field

$$
X = \delta\partial_t + \left(\delta u - \lambda_2^1\sqrt{gh}\right)\partial_x + \left(\delta v - \lambda_1^1\sqrt{gh}\right)\partial_y, \qquad \delta = \lambda_1^1\lambda_2^2 - \lambda_2^1\lambda_1^2.
\tag{3.42}
$$

Introducing the change of variables

$$
\bar{t} = t, \bar{x}^1 = r^1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \quad \bar{x}^2 = r^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \quad \bar{u} = u, \quad \bar{v} = v, \quad \bar{h} = h,
$$

with

$$
r^1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = t - \frac{\lambda_1^1}{\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v}x - \frac{\lambda_1^2}{\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v}y,
$$
$$
r^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = t - \frac{\lambda_1^2}{\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v + \sqrt{gh}}x - \frac{\lambda_2^2}{\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v + \sqrt{gh}}y,
\tag{3.43}
$$

we show that rank-2 solutions can be built by setting $\lambda_1^2 = 1, \lambda_2^2 = 0$. Supposing that $\lambda_1^1, \lambda_2^1 \neq 0$, equations (3.13) require that

$$
u_{r^1} = -\frac{\lambda_1^1{}^2 - \lambda_2^1{}^2}{\lambda_2^1(\lambda_1^1{}^2 + \lambda_2^1{}^2)}v_{r^2}, \qquad v_{r^1} = -\frac{2\lambda_1^1}{\lambda_1^1{}^2 + \lambda_2^1{}^2}v_{r^2},
$$
$$
h_{r^1} = \frac{\sqrt{gh}}{\lambda_2^1 g}v_{r^2}, \qquad h_{r^2} = \frac{\sqrt{gh}}{\lambda_2^1 g}\left(\lambda_2^1 u_{r^2} - \lambda_1^1 v_{r^2}\right),
$$
$$
\left(3\lambda_2^1{}^2 - \lambda_1^1{}^2\right)\left(\left(\lambda_2^1{}^2 - \lambda_1^1{}^2\right)v_{r^2} + 2\lambda_1^1\lambda_2^1 u_{r^2}\right) = 0,
$$
$$
\left(\left(\lambda_2^1{}^2 - \lambda_1^1{}^2\right)v_{r^2} + 2\lambda_1^1\lambda_2^1 u_{r^2}\right)\left(\sqrt{gh}\lambda_{1,u}^1 + h\lambda_{1,h}^1\right) = 0,
$$
$$
\left(\left(\lambda_2^1{}^2 - \lambda_1^1{}^2\right)v_{r^2} + 2\lambda_1^1\lambda_2^1 u_{r^2}\right)\left(\sqrt{gh}\lambda_{2,u}^1 + h\lambda_{2,h}^1\right) = 0.
\tag{3.44}
$$

It is easily computed from equations (3.44) that when $\left(\lambda_2^1{}^2 - \lambda_1^1{}^2\right)v_{r^2} + 2\lambda_1^1\lambda_2^1 u_{r^2} = 0$, the obtained solution will be of rank 1. Thus, we must have $\lambda_1^1 = F_1(u - 2\sqrt{gh}, v)$, $\lambda_2^1 = F_2(u - 2\sqrt{gh}, v)$ where F_1, F_2 are arbitrary functions. Equations (3.44) can be solved for specific choices of the arbitrary functions F_1, F_2. Hence we consider the case where $\left(\lambda_2^1{}^2 - \lambda_1^1{}^2\right)v_{r^2} + 2\lambda_1^1\lambda_2^1 u_{r^2} \neq 0$, together with the relation $\lambda_1^1 = \sqrt{3}\varepsilon\lambda_2^1$, $\varepsilon = \pm 1$, which leads to

$$
u_{r^1} = -\frac{1}{2\lambda_2^1}v_{r^2},
\tag{3.45}
$$

$$v_{r^1} = -\frac{\sqrt{3}\varepsilon}{2\lambda_2^1} v_{r^2}, \tag{3.46}$$

$$h_{r^1} = \frac{1}{\lambda_2^1}\sqrt{\frac{h}{g}} v_{r^2}, \qquad h_{r^2} = \sqrt{\frac{h}{g}}(u_{r^2} - \sqrt{3}\varepsilon v_{r^2}), \tag{3.47}$$

$$\sqrt{gh}\lambda_{2,u}^1 + h\lambda_{2,h}^1 = 0. \tag{3.48}$$

When λ_2^1 is a function of v only, the system (3.45)–(3.48) is compatible and can be integrated to yield

$$u = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon v(r^1, r^2) + F(r^2), \qquad h = \frac{1}{4g}\left(F(r^2) - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon v(r^1, r^2) + h_0\right)^2, \tag{3.49}$$

where $v(r^1, r^2)$ is given implicitly by

$$v = G(s), \qquad s = r^2 - \frac{\sqrt{3}\varepsilon}{2\lambda_2^1(v)}r^1, \tag{3.50}$$

and $G(s)$ is an arbitrary function of its argument. The Riemann invariants r^1 and r^2 then satisfy the implicit relations

$$r^1 = \lambda_2^1(G(s))((2G(s) + \sqrt{3}\varepsilon F(r^2))t - \sqrt{3}\varepsilon x - y), \qquad s = r^2 - \frac{\sqrt{3}\varepsilon}{2\lambda_2^1(v)}r^1,$$

$$\varepsilon = \pm 1, \qquad r^2 = \left(\frac{3}{2}F(r^2) + \frac{h_0}{2}\right)t - x. \tag{3.51}$$

Because of the nonlinear coupling of the Riemann invariants (3.51), this type of solution is said to be scattering. For different choices of the function λ_2^1 and the profile of v (i.e. $G(s)$), following the construction presented in [4], it is possible to construct rank-2 solutions which are bounded everywhere, for example bumps, kinks and periodic solutions, even when the Riemann invariants admit the gradient catastrophe after a finite time. We present in table 5 several solutions of the SWW equations obtained in this way. According to equations (1.3), after a time shift $t \to t + \pi/2\Omega$, the RSWW equations admit the following solution:

$$u = -\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon G(\tilde{s}) + F(\tilde{r}^2)\right)\tan(\Omega t) - G(\tilde{s}) + \Omega(y + x\tan(\Omega t)), \qquad \varepsilon = \pm 1,$$

$$v = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon G(\tilde{s}) + F(\tilde{r}^2) - G(\tilde{s})\tan(\Omega t) - \Omega(x - y\tan(\Omega t)), \tag{3.52}$$

$$h = \frac{1}{4g}\left(F(\tilde{r}^2) - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}\varepsilon G(\tilde{s}) + h_0\right)^2\sec^2(\Omega t),$$

where the functions $\tilde{r}^1, \tilde{r}^2, \tilde{s}$ now satisfy the implicit relations

$$\tilde{r}^1 = \lambda_2^1(G(\tilde{s}))\left(-\frac{1}{2\Omega}(2G(\tilde{s}) + \sqrt{3}\varepsilon F(\tilde{r}^2))\tan(\Omega t)\right.$$

$$\left. -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\varepsilon(y - x\tan(\Omega t)) + \frac{1}{2}(x + y\tan(\Omega t))\right), \tag{3.53}$$

$$\tilde{r}^2 = -\frac{1}{4\Omega}(3F(\tilde{r}^2) + h_0)\tan(\Omega t) - \frac{1}{2}(y - x\tan(\Omega t)), \qquad \tilde{s} = \tilde{r}^2 - \frac{\sqrt{3}\varepsilon}{2\lambda_2^1(G(\tilde{s}))}\tilde{r}^1,$$

Table 5. Examples of bounded rank-2 solutions of the SWW equations. The function $\wp(\cdot, g_2, g_3)$ is the elliptic Weierstrass $\wp$ function with invariants g_2, g_3.

No	Riemann invariants	Solution	Comments
1.	$r^1 = (2\tanh^2(s) + \sqrt{3}\tanh^2(r^2))t - \sqrt{3}x - y$	$u = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\tanh^2(s) + \tanh^2(r^2)$	Anti-bump
	$r^2 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\tanh^2(r^2) + \frac{h_0}{2}\right)t - x$	$v = \tanh^2(s)$	
	$s = r^2 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}r^1$	$h = \frac{1}{4g}\left(\tanh^2(r^2) - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}\tanh^2(s) + h_0\right)^2$	
2.	$r^1 = (2\operatorname{sech}^2(s) + \sqrt{3}\operatorname{sech}^2(r^2))t - \sqrt{3}x - y$	$u = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\operatorname{sech}^2(s) + \operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)$	Bump
	$r^2 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\operatorname{sech}^2(r^2) + \frac{h_0}{2}\right)t - x$	$v = \operatorname{sech}^2(s)$	
	$s = r^2 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}r^1$	$h = \frac{1}{4g}\left(\operatorname{sech}^2(r^2) - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}\operatorname{sech}^2(s) + h_0\right)^2$	
3.	$r^1 = -(u_0 + 3\sqrt{g}\,\operatorname{sech}^2(r^1))t + x$	$u = u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\left(\operatorname{sech}^2(r^1) - \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)\right)$	Bump
	$r^2 = -\left(-\frac{u_0}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}v_0 + 3\sqrt{g}\,\operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)\right)t - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y$	$v = v_0 + \sqrt{3g}\,\operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)$	$u_0, v_0 \in \mathbb{R}$
		$h = (\operatorname{sech}^2(r^1) + \operatorname{sech}^2(r^2))^2$	
4.	$r^1 = -\left(u_0 + \frac{3\sqrt{g}A_1 r^1}{\sqrt{1+B_1(r^1)^2}}\right)t + x$	$u = u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\left(\frac{A_1 r^1}{\sqrt{1+B_1(r^1)^2}} - \frac{A_2 r^2}{2\sqrt{1+B_2(r^2)^2}}\right)$	Kink
	$r^2 = -\left(-\frac{u_0}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}v_0 + \frac{3\sqrt{g}A_2}{\sqrt{1+B_2(r^2)^2}}\right)t - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y$	$v = v_0 + \frac{\sqrt{3g}A_2}{\sqrt{1+B_2(r^2)^2}}$	$u_0, v_0, A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}$
		$h = \left(\frac{A_1 r^1}{\sqrt{1+B_1(r^1)^2}} + \frac{A_2 r^2}{\sqrt{1+B_2(r^2)^2}}\right)^2$	$B_1, B_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$
5.	$r^1 = -\left(u_0 + \frac{3\sqrt{g}A_1}{\wp(r^1, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{27} + \frac{4}{3}A_1^4)}\right)t + x$	$u = u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\left(\frac{A_1}{\wp(r^1, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{27} + \frac{4}{3}A_1^4)} - \frac{1}{2}\frac{A_2}{\wp(r^2, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{27} + \frac{4}{3}A_2^4)}\right)$	Periodic
	$r^2 = -\left(-\frac{u_0}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}v_0 + \frac{A_2}{\wp(r^2, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{27} + \frac{4}{3}A_2^4)}\right)t - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y$	$v = v_0 + \frac{A_2}{\wp(r^2, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{27} + \frac{4}{3}A_2^4)}$	$u_0, v_0, A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}$
		$h = \left(\frac{A_1}{\wp(r^1, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{27} + \frac{4}{3}A_1^4)} + \frac{A_2}{\wp(r^2, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{8}{27} + \frac{4}{3}A_2^4)}\right)^2$	

and $G(\tilde{s})$, $\lambda_2^1(G(\tilde{s}))$ and $F(\tilde{r}^2)$ are the arbitrary functions of their respective argument. Equations (3.52) and (3.53) define a rank-2 solution in the interval $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2\Omega}, \frac{\pi}{2\Omega}\right)$. From bounded solutions of the SWW equations (see table 5), one can then construct rank-2 solutions of the RSWW equations which are bounded in this interval.

(iii) We now turn to the analysis of the interaction of two acoustic-type solutions. Therefore, introducing the change of variables

$$\bar{t} = t, \bar{x}^1 = r^1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \qquad \bar{x}^2 = r^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}), \qquad \bar{u} = u, \bar{v} = v, \qquad \bar{h} = h,$$

with

$$r^i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = -\left(\lambda_1^i u + \lambda_2^i v + \sqrt{gh}\right)t + \lambda_1^i x + \lambda_2^i y, \qquad |\vec{\lambda}^i|^2 = 1, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

the system (3.13) is formed of 12 independent equations. Equation (3.13(i)) is in this case

$$g\left(\lambda_1^1 h_{r^1} + \lambda_1^2 h_{r^2}\right) = \sqrt{gh}(u_{r^1} + u_{r^2}), \tag{3.54}$$

$$g\left(\lambda_2^1 h_{r^1} + \lambda_2^2 h_{r^2}\right) = \sqrt{gh}(v_{r^1} + v_{r^2}), \tag{3.55}$$

$$h\left(\lambda_1^1 u_{r^1} + \lambda_1^2 u_{r^2} + \lambda_2^1 v_{r^1} + \lambda_2^2 v_{r^2}\right) = \sqrt{gh}(h_{r^1} + h_{r^2}). \tag{3.56}$$

A process of elimination of the derivatives of the functions $\lambda_j^i(u, v, h)$ in (3.13(ii)) leads us to a system composed of

$$\begin{aligned}(u_{r^1} + u_{r^2})\left(\lambda_2^1 u_{r^1} - \lambda_1^1 v_{r^1} + \lambda_2^2 u_{r^2} - \lambda_1^2 v_{r^2}\right) = 0, \\(v_{r^1} + v_{r^2})\left(\lambda_2^1 u_{r^1} - \lambda_1^1 v_{r^1} + \lambda_2^2 u_{r^2} - \lambda_1^2 v_{r^2}\right) = 0,\end{aligned} \tag{3.57}$$

and a third complicated expression which takes a much simpler form depending on the branch of solution chosen in (3.57).

(a) If $u(r^1, r^2) = F(r^1 - r^2)$ and $v(r^1, r^2) = G(r^1 - r^2)$, then the last equation is automatically satisfied. The solution is obtained from the system

$$\left(\lambda_1^1 - \lambda_1^2\right)F' + \left(\lambda_2^1 - \lambda_2^2\right)G' = 0, \qquad |\vec{\lambda}^i|^2 = 1, \qquad h = h_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+. \tag{3.58}$$

However, it should be noted that any solution built from this branch reduces to a rank-1 entropic-type solution. Indeed, since $h = h_0$, by equations (3.54) and (3.55), the Jacobian matrix of the solution in the original variables reads

$$\begin{vmatrix} F'(r^1 - r^2)(r_t^1 - r_t^2) & -F'(r^1 - r^2)(r_x^1 - r_x^2) \\ G'(r^1 - r^2)(r_t^1 - r_t^2) & -G'(r^1 - r^2)(r_x^1 - r_x^2) \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix},$$

which is manifestly of rank 1. Moreover, it can be easily seen that the resulting rank-1 solution will be a solution of the first type. For example, choosing

$$\lambda_1^1 = 1, \qquad \lambda_2^1 = 0, \qquad \lambda_1^2 = \frac{1 - u^2}{1 + u^2}, \qquad \lambda_2^2 = \frac{2u}{u^2 + 1},$$

we obtain the solution

$$v = v_0 + \tfrac{1}{2}u^2, \qquad h = h_0,$$

where $u = F(s)$ is an arbitrary function of

$$s = r^1 - r^2 = -\frac{F(F^2 - 2v_0)}{1 + F^2}t + \frac{2F^2}{1 + F^2}x - \frac{2F}{1 + F^2}y.$$

(b) When $\lambda_2^1 u_{r^1} - \lambda_1^1 v_{r^1} + \lambda_2^2 u_{r^2} - \lambda_1^2 v_{r^2} = 0$, the last equation reduces to

$$[2\delta^2 + (\vec{\lambda}^1 \cdot \vec{\lambda}^2) - 1]v_{r^1}v_{r^2} = 0, \qquad \delta = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda_1^1 & \lambda_2^1 \\ \lambda_1^2 & \lambda_2^2 \end{vmatrix}, \qquad |\vec{\lambda}^i|^2 = 1. \tag{3.59}$$

The solution is necessarily of rank 1 if $v_{r^1} = 0$ or $v_{r^2} = 0$. We then suppose that v depends essentially on r^1 and r^2, so the wave vectors $\vec{\lambda}^1$ and $\vec{\lambda}^2$ must satisfy the relations

$$2\delta^2 + (\vec{\lambda}^1 \cdot \vec{\lambda}^2) - 1 = 0, \qquad |\vec{\lambda}^i|^2 = 1, \qquad i = 1, 2. \tag{3.60}$$

Writing $\lambda_1^1 = \sin\varphi_1, \lambda_2^1 = \cos\varphi_1, \lambda_1^2 = \sin\varphi_2, \lambda_2^2 = \cos\varphi_2$, equation (3.60) implies that the angle $\varphi = |\varphi_1 - \varphi_2| \in [0, 2\pi)$ between the wave vectors $\vec{\lambda}^1$ and $\vec{\lambda}^2$ has to satisfy

$$2\sin^2\varphi + \cos\varphi - 1 = 0,$$

which can be written as

$$-2\left(\cos\varphi + \tfrac{1}{2}\right)(\cos\varphi - 1) = 0.$$

Therefore, excluding the case where $\varphi = 0$, we obtain

$$\cos\varphi = \vec{\lambda}^1 \cdot \vec{\lambda}^2 = -1/2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \varphi = |\varphi_1 - \varphi_2| = 2\pi/3, \tag{3.61}$$

in accordance with results already obtained for an isentropic fluid flow [9, 15]. In this case, since by (3.60) and (3.61) we must have $\delta = \varepsilon\sqrt{3}/2, \varepsilon = \pm1$, one can show that the system composed of (3.54)–(3.57) becomes

$$u_{r^1} = \lambda_1^1\sqrt{\frac{g}{h}}h_{r^1}, \qquad u_{r^2} = \lambda_1^2\sqrt{\frac{g}{h}}h_{r^2}, \qquad v_{r^1} = \lambda_2^1\sqrt{\frac{g}{h}}h_{r^1}, \qquad v_{r^2} = \lambda_2^2\sqrt{\frac{g}{h}}h_{r^2}, \tag{3.62}$$

and that the functions λ_j^i must satisfy the equations

$$\lambda_1^1\lambda_{1,u}^2 + \lambda_2^1\lambda_{1,v}^2 + \frac{h}{\sqrt{gh}}\lambda_{1,h}^2 = 0, \qquad \lambda_1^2\lambda_{1,u}^1 + \lambda_2^2\lambda_{1,v}^1 + \frac{h}{\sqrt{gh}}\lambda_{1,h}^1 = 0. \tag{3.63}$$

Using (3.63) and writing $h = H(r^1, r^2)^2$, the compatibility conditions of equations (3.62) yield the relation

$$H_{r^1r^2} = 0 \Rightarrow h(r^1, r^2) = (h_1(r^1) + h_2(r^2))^2. \tag{3.64}$$

When the velocity vectors $\vec{\lambda}^1$ and $\vec{\lambda}^2$ are constant, integration of (3.62) then shows that the velocity vector fields split as a linear sum. Hence, we obtain the nonscattering solution

$$u = u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\left(\lambda_1^1 h_1(r^1) + \lambda_1^2 h_2(r^2)\right), \qquad v = v_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\left(\lambda_2^1 h_1(r^1) + \lambda_2^2 h_2(r^2)\right),$$
$$h = \left(h_1(r^1) + h_2(r^2)\right)^2, \tag{3.65}$$

where the functions $h_1(r^1)$ and $h_2(r^2)$ are the arbitrary functions of the Riemann invariants

$$r^1 = -\left(\lambda_1^1 u_0 + \lambda_2^1 v_0 + 3\sqrt{g}h_1(r^1)\right)t + \lambda_1^1 x + \lambda_2^1 y, \qquad \lambda_j^i \in \mathbb{R}, \quad |\vec{\lambda}^i|^2 = 1,$$
$$r^2 = -\left(\lambda_1^2 u_0 + \lambda_2^2 v_0 + 3\sqrt{g}h_2(r^2)\right)t + \lambda_1^2 x + \lambda_2^2 y, \qquad \vec{\lambda}^1 \cdot \vec{\lambda}^2 = -1/2, \tag{3.66}$$

so that the angle between the vectors $\vec{\lambda}^1$ and $\vec{\lambda}^2$ is fixed by relation (3.61). Once more, these arbitrary functions can be selected as to ensure that the solution remains bounded everywhere,

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see table 5. By means of transformation (1.3), we obtain the solution of the RSWW equations (1.1) corresponding to solution (3.65). It is given by

$$u = -\left(u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\big(\lambda_1^1 h_1(\tilde{r}^1) + \lambda_1^2 h_2(\tilde{r}^2)\big)\right)\cot(\Omega t)$$
$$-\left(v_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\big(\lambda_2^1 h_1(\tilde{r}^1) + \lambda_2^2 h_2(\tilde{r}^2)\big)\right) + \Omega\left(y + x\cot(\Omega t)\right),$$
$$v = u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\big(\lambda_1^1 h_1(\tilde{r}^1) + \lambda_1^2 h_2(\tilde{r}^2)\big) - \left(v_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\big(\lambda_2^1 h_1(\tilde{r}^1) + \lambda_2^2 h_2(\tilde{r}^2)\big)\right) \tag{3.67}$$
$$\times \cot(\Omega t) - \Omega\left(x - y\cot(\Omega t)\right),$$
$$h = \left(h_1(\tilde{r}^1) + h_2(\tilde{r}^2)\right)\csc^2(\Omega t),$$

where the transformed Riemann invariants $\tilde{r}^1, \tilde{r}^2$ satisfy the implicit relations

$$\tilde{r}^1 = \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{1}{\Omega}\big(\lambda_1^1 u_0 + \lambda_2^1 v_0 + 3\sqrt{g}h_1(\tilde{r}^1)\big)\cot(\Omega t) + \lambda_1^1(y - x\cot(\Omega t)) - \lambda_2^1(x + y\cot(\Omega t))\right],$$
$$\tilde{r}^2 = \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{1}{\Omega}\big(\lambda_1^2 u_0 + \lambda_2^2 v_0 + 3\sqrt{g}h_2(\tilde{r}^2)\big)\cot(\Omega t) + \lambda_1^2(y - x\cot(\Omega t)) - \lambda_2^2(x + y\cot(\Omega t))\right].$$
$$\tag{3.68}$$

Again, it is interesting to note that due to the invariance of equations (1.1) with respect to translations in time, it is possible to use a time translation $t \to t + t_0$ so that equations (3.68) are well defined for $t = 0$. For example, when functions $h_1(r^1)$, $h_2(r^2)$ are assumed to be hyperbolic functions of their respective argument, i.e. $h_1(r^1) = \operatorname{sech}^2(r^1)$, $h_2(r^2) = \operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)$, and if we choose $\vec{\lambda}^1 = (1, 0)$ and $\vec{\lambda}^2 = (-1/2, \sqrt{3}/2)$, then we obtain after a time shift $t \to t + \pi/2\Omega$ the singular bump-type solution

$$u = \left(u_0 + \sqrt{g}(2\operatorname{sech}^2(r1) - \operatorname{sech}^2(r^2))\right)\tan(\Omega t)$$
$$- \left(v_0 + \sqrt{3g}\operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)\right) + \Omega\left(y - x\tan(\Omega t)\right),$$
$$v = \left(v_0 + \sqrt{3g}\operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)\right)\tan(\Omega t) + \sqrt{g}(2\operatorname{sech}^2(r^1) - \operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)) \tag{3.69}$$
$$- \Omega\left(x + y\tan(\Omega t)\right),$$
$$h = \left(\operatorname{sech}^2(r^1) + \operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)\right)^2 \sec^2(\Omega t)$$

with

$$r^1 = \frac{1}{2\Omega}\left(u_0 + 3\sqrt{g}\operatorname{sech}^2(r^1)\right)\tan(\Omega t) + \frac{1}{2}(y - x\tan(\Omega t)),$$
$$r^2 = \frac{1}{2\Omega}\left(\frac{u_0}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}v_0 + 3\sqrt{g}\operatorname{sech}^2(r^2)\right)\tan(\Omega t) \tag{3.70}$$
$$- \frac{1}{4}(y - x\tan(\Omega t)) - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}(x + y\tan(\Omega t)).$$

Figure 1 illustrates the behavior of the height function $h(t, x, y)$ defined by (3.69) and (3.70).

When the λ_j^i are not constant, equations (3.63) possess several classes of implicit solutions. Supposing that

$$\lambda_1^1 = \frac{\Psi}{\sqrt{1 + \Psi^2}}, \qquad \lambda_2^1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \Psi^2}}, \tag{3.71}$$

for some function $\Psi : \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}$, equation (3.59) requires that

$$\lambda_1^2 = -\frac{1}{2}\frac{\Psi + \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{1 + \Psi^2}}, \qquad \lambda_2^2 = \frac{1}{2}\frac{\sqrt{3}\Psi - 1}{\sqrt{1 + \Psi^2}}. \tag{3.72}$$
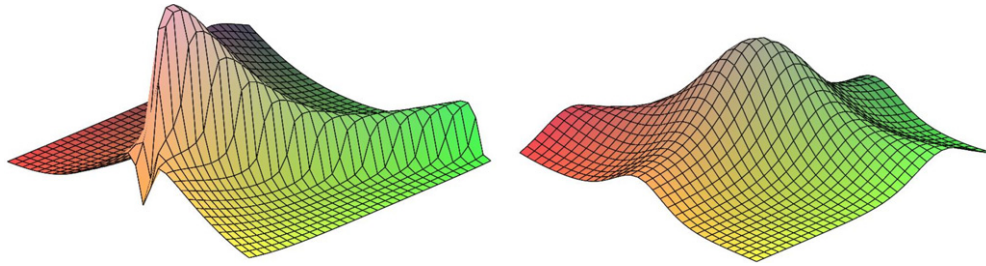
Figure 1. Graph of the height function $h(t, x, y)$ for the rank-2 solution of the SS type (3.69) at times $t = -\pi/5$ and $t = 0$.

The system (3.63) then becomes

$$\Psi\Psi_u + \Psi_v + \frac{h}{\sqrt{gh}}\sqrt{\Psi^2 + 1}\,\Psi_h = 0,$$

$$-(\sqrt{3} + \Psi)\Psi_u + (\sqrt{3}\Psi - 1)\Psi_v + \frac{2h}{\sqrt{gh}}\sqrt{1 + \Psi^2}\,\Psi_h = 0, \tag{3.73}$$

implying that Ψ must satisfy

$$(1 + \sqrt{3}\Psi)\Psi_u + (\sqrt{3} - \Psi)\Psi_v = 0. \tag{3.74}$$

It is easy to show from (3.73) that Φ is either constant or depends essentially on all functions u, v, h. Looking for a solution of the form $\Psi = F(\gamma_1(\Psi)u + \gamma_2(\Psi)v - \phi(h))$, where $\phi(h)$ is some function of h to be determined, we obtain that equations (3.73) possess the implicit solution

$$\Psi = F((\Psi - \sqrt{3})u + (1 + \sqrt{3}\Psi)v - 2\sqrt{1 + \Psi^2}\sqrt{gh}), \tag{3.75}$$

where F is an arbitrary function of its argument. Equations (3.73) also possess infinite classes of solutions of the form

$$\Psi = F(s_1, s_2), \qquad s_1 = \gamma_1(\Psi)u - 2\sqrt{gh}, \qquad s_2 = \gamma_2(\Psi)v - 2\sqrt{gh}. \tag{3.76}$$

The compatibility relation (3.74) requires that

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial s_1} = \frac{(\Psi - \sqrt{3})\gamma_2(\Psi)}{(1 + \sqrt{3}\Psi)\gamma_1(\Psi)}\frac{\partial F}{\partial s_2} = G(s_1, s_2)\frac{\partial F}{\partial s_2}, \tag{3.77}$$

for some function $G(s_1, s_2)$. Equations (3.73) then become

$$\gamma_1(\Psi)(\sqrt{3}\Psi^2 - 2\Psi - \sqrt{3}) + \gamma_2(\Psi)(\Psi^2 - 2\sqrt{3}\Psi + 3)$$
$$+ \gamma_1(\Psi)\gamma_2(\Psi)\sqrt{1 + \Psi^2}(\sqrt{3} - \Psi) = 0. \tag{3.78}$$

For a selected function $G(s_1, s_2)$, solving equations (3.78) and

$$G(s_1, s_2) = \frac{(\Psi - \sqrt{3})\gamma_2(\Psi)}{(1 + \sqrt{3}\Psi)\gamma_1(\Psi)}$$

gives the explicit expressions for $\gamma_1(\Psi)$ and $\gamma_2(\Psi)$ while integration of (3.77) gives the dependence of F on s_1 and s_2. For example, when $G(s_1, s_2) = 1$, $\Psi = F(\gamma_1(\Psi) + \gamma_2(\Psi) - 4\sqrt{gh})$, with

$$\gamma_1(\Psi) = 2\frac{\sqrt{3}\Psi^3 - 5\Psi^2 + \sqrt{3}\Psi + 3}{(\sqrt{3}\Psi^2 - 2\Psi - \sqrt{3})\sqrt{1 + \Psi^2}},$$

$$\gamma_2(\Psi) = 2\frac{3\Psi^4 - 4\sqrt{3}\Psi^3 - 2\Psi^2 + 4\sqrt{3}\Psi + 3}{(\sqrt{3}\Psi^3 - 5\Psi^2 + \sqrt{3}\Psi + 3)\sqrt{1 + \Psi^2}}, \tag{3.79}$$

and F arbitrary.

From any explicit solution of (3.63) obtained by specifying the arbitrary function in (3.75) or in (3.76) and (3.77) and using the relations (3.71), (3.72), the solution for the vector fields $u(r^1, r^2)$, $v(r^1, r^2)$ is obtained by integrating the system (3.62). However, since the resulting expressions are very involved even in the simplest cases, we will not present a solution of this type in closed form.

(iv) Finally, conducting an analysis similar to that of the previous case, we finally look for linear interactions of two acoustic-type waves of constant direction for which we choose different signs for ε in (3.4)(ii). Suppose that in this case the Riemann invariants are given in the form

$$r^1 = -\left(\lambda_1^1 u + \lambda_2^1 v + \sqrt{gh}\right)t + \lambda_1^1 x + \lambda_2^1 y, \qquad \lambda_j^i \in \mathbb{R},$$
$$r^2 = -\left(\lambda_1^2 u + \lambda_2^2 v - \sqrt{gh}\right)t + \lambda_1^2 x + \lambda_2^2 y, \qquad |\vec{\lambda}^i| = 1, \quad i = 1, 2. \tag{3.80}$$

Writing $\lambda_1^1 = \sin\varphi_1$, $\lambda_2^1 = \cos\varphi_1$, $\lambda_1^2 = \sin\varphi_2$, $\lambda_2^2 = \cos\varphi_2$, where φ_1, φ_2 are constant, we find that a rank-2 solution invariant under

$$X = \sin(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)\partial_t + (\sin(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)u + (\cos(\varphi_1) + \cos(\varphi_2))\sqrt{gh})\partial_x$$
$$+ (\sin(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)v - (\sin(\varphi_1) + \sin(\varphi_2))\sqrt{gh})\partial_y \tag{3.81}$$

exists if and only if the angle between φ_1 and φ_2 satisfies

$$|\varphi_1 - \varphi_2| = \frac{\pi}{3}, \tag{3.82}$$

in comparison with relation (3.61). This nonscattering rank-2 solution of the SWW equations can be presented as

$$u = u_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\left(\lambda_1^1 h_1(r^1) - \lambda_1^2 h_2(r^2)\right), \qquad v = v_0 + 2\sqrt{g}\left(\lambda_2^1 h_1(r^1) - \lambda_2^2 h_2(r^2)\right),$$
$$h = (h_1(r^1) + h_2(r^2))^2, \qquad u_0, v_0 \in \mathbb{R},$$

where the functions $h_1(r^1)$ and $h_2(r^2)$ are the arbitrary functions of the Riemann invariants

$$r^1 = -\left(\lambda_1^1 u_0 + \lambda_2^1 v_0 + 3\sqrt{g}h_1(r^1)\right)t + \lambda_1^1 x + \lambda_2^1 y, \quad \lambda_j^i \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \vec{\lambda}^1 \cdot \vec{\lambda}^2 = 1/2,$$
$$r^2 = -\left(\lambda_1^2 u_0 + \lambda_2^2 v_0 - 3\sqrt{g}h_2(r^2)\right)t + \lambda_1^2 x + \lambda_2^2 y, \quad |\vec{\lambda}^i| = 1, \quad i = 1, 2, \tag{3.83}$$

so that the angle between $\vec{\lambda}^1$ and $\vec{\lambda}^2$ satisfies (3.82). The similarity with solution (3.65) is not surprising. It can in fact be obtained by considering the wave vector $\vec{\lambda}^2$ in the opposite direction, that is by setting $\vec{\lambda}^2 \to -\vec{\lambda}^2$ in expressions (3.61), (3.65) and (3.66). The computation of the corresponding solution of the RSWW equations is done analogously to that of the previous case and the result is included in table 4.

4. Conclusion

In this work, we have extended the applicability of the conditional symmetry approach in the context of Riemann invariants to a certain class of first-order inhomogeneous quasilinear hyperbolic systems, namely those systems that are equivalent to a homogeneous one under an invertible point transformation. Such classes of systems have been characterized recently in the case of systems of two equations in two dependent and independent variables in [5] and an algorithm to construct the appropriate point transformation was also given. The key element in this analysis is the presence of an infinite-dimensional Lie algebra admitted by every quasilinear homogenous system in two variables. Although this is not true in general for multidimensional systems, we have been able to show that such a transformation exists for

the rotating shallow water wave equations and after an analysis of the rank-k solutions of the SWW equations, we used it to construct several of their implicit solutions expressed in terms of Riemann invariants. While several classes of invariant solutions of the RSWW equations are known, these new conditionally invariant solutions possess in general a considerable degree of freedom in the sense that they depend on one or two arbitrary functions of the Riemann invariants. Although it is possible in the case of a homogeneous system to select these arbitrary functions so as to obtain bounded solutions for every value of the Riemann invariants, such solutions could not be constructed here since the point transformation (1.3) is singular at times $t = \frac{\pi}{2\Omega}(2n + 1)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. However, by using invariance under time translation, we have shown that it is possible to construct solutions expressed in terms of Riemann invariants defined in a finite interval around $t = 0$.

One may ask whether rank-k solutions of a given inhomogeneous system in the form (3.2) can be constructed without relying on a point transformation bringing it to a homogeneous form. A preliminary analysis shows that this type of solution would possess invariance properties similar to those admitted by homogeneous systems, as expressed in proposition 1. This study shall be addressed in a future work.

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