

CERTAIN CLASSES OF SOLUTIONS OF LAGERSTROM EQUATIONS

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ABSTRACT. This paper presents sufficient conditions for the existence of solutions for certain classes of Cauchy's solutions of the Lagerstrom equation as well as their behavior. Behavior of integral curves in the neighborhoods of an arbitrary or integral curve are considered. The obtained results contain the answer to the question on approximation of solutions whose existence is established. The errors of the approximation are defined by functions that can be sufficiently small. The theory of qualitative analysis of differential equations and topological retraction method are used.

1. INTRODUCTION

Since introduced in the 1950s by P. A. Lagerstrom, the models of Lagerstrom equation were studied by many authors with the help of variational techniques (see [1] - [4]). Here we shall use the qualitative analysis theory and the topological retraction method ([5] - [11]).

The Lagerstrom equation is used in asymptotic treatment of viscous flow past a solid at low Reynolds number. In general form it is given by the non-autonomous second-order differential equation:

$$y'' + \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) y' = 0, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad n \geq 1. \quad (1)$$

The cases $n = 2$ and $n = 3$ represent the physically relevant settings of flow in two and three dimensions, respectively.

We will consider the equation (1) on interval $I = (a, b)$, where $-\infty \leq a < b < 0$ or $0 < a < b \leq +\infty$. Let

$$\Gamma = \{(y, t) \in D : y = \psi(t), t \in I\},$$

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where $D = I_y \times I$, $I_y \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and $\psi(t) \in C^2(I)$, be an arbitrary or integral curve of equation (1). We will establish some sufficient conditions on the existence and behavior of the classes of solutions of equation (1) in a certain region of the curve Γ , using the retraction method (method Ważewski).

Let $r_1, r_2 \in C^1(I, \mathbb{R}^+)$ and $\psi_0 = \psi(t_0)$, $\psi'_0 = \psi'(t_0)$, $y_0 = y(t_0)$, $y'_0 = y'(t_0)$, $t_0 \in I$. We shall consider the solutions $y(t)$ of equation (1) which satisfy on I , either one of the conditions

$$|y_0 - \psi_0| < r_2(t_0), \quad |y'_0 - \psi'_0| < r_1(t_0), \quad (2)$$

or

$$\frac{(y_0 - \psi_0)^2}{r_2^2(t_0)} + \frac{(y'_0 - \psi'_0)^2}{r_1^2(t_0)} < 1. \quad (3)$$

Using substitution

$$y' = x, \quad (4)$$

where $x = x(t)$ is a new unknown function, equation (1) is transformed into a quasilinear system of equations:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x' &= -\left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y\right)x \\ y' &= x \\ t' &= 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (5)$$

defined on $\Omega = I_x \times D$, $I_x \subset \mathbb{R}$ the open interval, and curve Γ is transformed into a curve $(\varphi(t), \psi(t), t)$, $t \in I$, where $\varphi(t) = \psi'(t)$.

We shall consider the behavior of the integral curves $(x(t), y(t), t)$ of the system (5) with respect to the sets σ and ω :

$$\sigma = \{(x, y, t) \in \Omega : |x - \varphi(t)| < r_1(t), \quad |y - \psi(t)| < r_2(t)\}$$

and

$$\omega = \left\{ (x, y, t) \in \Omega : \frac{(x - \varphi(t))^2}{r_1^2(t)} + \frac{(y - \psi(t))^2}{r_2^2(t)} \leq 1 \right\}.$$

The boundary surfaces of σ and ω are, respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} X_i &= \{(x, y, t) \in Cl\sigma \cap \Omega : H_i^1(x, y, t) \\ &:= (-1)^i (x - \varphi(t)) - r_1(t) = 0\}, \quad i = 1, 2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y_i &= \{(x, y, t) \in Cl\sigma \cap \Omega : H_i^2(x, y, t) \\ &:= (-1)^i (y - \psi(t)) - r_2(t) = 0\}, \quad i = 1, 2, \end{aligned}$$

$$W = \left\{ (x, y, t) \in Cl\omega \cap \Omega : H(x, y, t) := \frac{(x - \varphi(t))^2}{r_1^2(t)} + \frac{(y - \psi(t))^2}{r_2^2(t)} - 1 = 0 \right\},$$

where ClS , ($S = \omega$ or $S = \sigma$) is the set of all points of closure of S . (x is a point of closure of S , S a subset of a Euclidean space, if every open ball centered at x contains a point of S (this point may be x itself)).

Let us denote the tangent vector field to an integral curve $(x(t), y(t), t)$, $t \in I$, of the system (5) by T . The vectors ∇H_i^1 , ∇H_i^2 and ∇H are the external normals on surfaces X_i , Y_i and W , respectively. We have:

$$T(x, y, t) = \left(- \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) x, \quad x, \quad 1 \right),$$

$$\nabla H_i^1(t) = \left((-1)^i, 0, (-1)^{i-1} \varphi' - r_1' \right), \quad i = 1, 2,$$

$$\nabla H_i^2(t) = \left(0, (-1)^i, (-1)^{i-1} \psi' - r_2' \right), \quad i = 1, 2,$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \nabla H(x, y, t) \\ &= \left(\frac{x-\varphi}{r_1^2}, \frac{y-\psi}{r_2^2}, -\frac{(x-\varphi)^2 r_1'}{r_1^3} - \frac{(y-\psi)^2 r_2'}{r_2^3} - \frac{(x-\varphi) \varphi'}{r_1^2} - \frac{(y-\psi) \psi'}{r_2^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

By means of scalar products

$$P_i^1(x, y, t) = (\nabla H_i^1, T) \quad \text{on } X_i,$$

$$P_i^2(x, y, t) = (\nabla H_i^2, T) \quad \text{on } Y_i,$$

and

$$P(x, y, t) = \left(\frac{1}{2} \nabla H, T \right) \quad \text{on } W,$$

we shall establish the existence and behavior of integral curves of the system (5) with respect to the set σ and ω , respectively.

Let us denote with $S^p(I)$, $p \in \{0, 1, 2\}$, class solutions $(x(t), y(t))$ of the system (5) defined on I which depends of p parameters. We will say that the class of solutions $S^p(I)$ belongs to a set η ($\eta = \omega$ or $\eta = \sigma$) if the graphs of functions from $S^p(I)$ are contained in η . In such a case we write $S^p(I) \subset \eta$. For $p = 0$ we have notation $S^0(I)$ which means that there is at least one solution $(x(t), y(t), t)$ on I of system (5) whose graph lies in the set η .

The results of this paper are based on the following lemmas (see [6], [9]), which for the system (5) and sets σ and ω , have the form:

Lemma 1. *If it is, for the system (5), the scalar product of $P(x, y, t) < 0$ on W ($P_i^k(x, y, t) < 0$ on $\gamma\sigma = X_1 \cup X_2 \cup Y_1 \cup Y_2$, $i = 1, 2$, $k = 1, 2$), then the system (5) has a class of solutions $S^2(I)$ which belongs to a set ω , for every $t \in I$, i.e. $S^2(I) \subset \omega$ ($S^2(I) \subset \sigma$).*

Lemma 2. *If it is, for the system (5), the scalar product of $P(x, y, t) > 0$ on W ($P_i^k(x, y, t) > 0$ on $\gamma\sigma = X_1 \cup X_2 \cup Y_1 \cup Y_2$, $i = 1, 2$, $k = 1, 2$), then the system (5) has a class of solutions $S^0(I)$ which belongs to a set ω , for every $t \in I$, i.e. $S^0(I) \subset \omega$ ($S^0(I) \subset \sigma$).*

Lemma 3. *If it is, for the system (5), the scalar product of $P_i^1(x, y, t) < 0$ on $X_1 \cup X_2$ and $P_i^2(x, y, t) > 0$ on $Y_1 \cup Y_2$ (or vice versa), then the system (5) has a class of solutions $S^1(I)$ which belongs to a set σ for every $t \in I$, i.e. $S^1(I) \subset \sigma$.*

According to Lemma 1, the set W ($\gamma\sigma = X_1 \cup X_2 \cup Y_1 \cup Y_2$) is a set of points of strict entrance of integral curves of the system (5) with respect to the sets ω (σ) and Ω . Hence, all solutions of system (5) which satisfy condition $|x_0 - \varphi_0| \leq r_1(t_0)$, $|y_0 - \psi_0| \leq r_2(t_0)$, ($x_0 = x(t_0)$) also satisfy conditions $|x(t) - \varphi(t)| \leq r_1(t)$, $|y(t) - \psi(t)| \leq r_2(t)$ for every $t > t_0$, i.e. $S^2(I) \subset \omega$ ($S^2(I) \subset \sigma$).

According to Lemma 2, the set W ($\gamma\sigma = X_1 \cup X_2 \cup Y_1 \cup Y_2$) is a set of points of strict exit of integral curves of the system (5) with respect to the sets ω (σ) and Ω . Hence, according to T. Wazewski's retraction method [11], system (5) has at least one solutions belonging to set ω (σ) for every $t \in I$, i.e. $S^0(I) \subset \omega$ ($S^0(I) \subset \sigma$).

According to Lemma 3, the set $X_1 \cup X_2$ is a set of points of strict entrance, and $Y_1 \cup Y_2$ is a set of strict exit (or reversely) of integral curves of (5) with respect to the sets σ and Ω . According to the retraction method system (5) has a one-parameter-class of solutions belonging to set σ for every $t \in I$, i.e. $S^1(I) \subset \sigma$.

2. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 1. *Let Γ be an arbitrary curve and $r_1, r_2 \in C^1(I, \mathbb{R}^+)$.*

(a) *If*

$$\left| \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) \varphi + \varphi' \right| < \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) r_1 + r_1' - (|\varphi| + r_1) r_2, \quad (6)$$

$$r_1(t) < r_2'(t) \quad (7)$$

on $\gamma\sigma = X_1 \cup X_2 \cup Y_1 \cup Y_2$, then all solutions $y(t)$ of the problem (1), (2) satisfy the conditions

$$|y(t) - \psi(t)| < r_2(t), \quad |y'(t) - \psi'(t)| < r_1(t) \quad \text{for } t > t_0. \quad (8)$$

(b) *If*

$$\left| \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) \varphi + \varphi' \right| > \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) r_1 + r_1' + (|\varphi| + r_1) r_2, \quad (9)$$

$$r_1(t) < -r_2'(t) \quad (10)$$

on $\gamma\sigma = X_1 \cup X_2 \cup Y_1 \cup Y_2$, then at least one solution to the problem (1), (2) satisfies the conditions (8).

- (c) If the conditions (6) and (10) or (7) and (9) are satisfied, then the problem (1), (2) has a one-parameter class of solutions that satisfy the conditions (8).

Proof. We shall consider equation (1) through the equivalent system (5). Consider a system of integral curves of (5) respect to a set σ . For scalar products $P_i^1(x, y, t)$ on X_i and $P_i^2(x, y, t)$ on Y_i we have, respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} P_i^1(x, y, t) &= -(-1)^i \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) x + (-1)^{i-1} \varphi' - r'_1 \\ &= - \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) r_1 + (y - \psi) r_1 \\ &\quad + (-1)^i \left[- \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) \varphi + (y - \psi) \varphi - \varphi' \right] - r'_1, \end{aligned}$$

$$P_i^2(x, y, t) = (-1)^i x + (-1)^{i-1} \psi' - r'_2 = (-1)^i (x - \varphi) - r'_2.$$

- (a) According to the conditions (6) and (7), the following estimates are valid for $P_i^1(x, y, t)$ on X_i and $P_i^2(x, y, t)$ on Y_i , respectively:

$$P_i^1(x, y, t) \leq - \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) r_1 + r_1 r_2 + \left| \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) \varphi + \varphi' \right| + |\varphi| r_2 - r'_1 < 0,$$

$$P_i^2(x, y, t) \leq r_1 - r'_2 < 0.$$

Accordingly, the set of $\gamma\sigma = X_1 \cup X_2 \cup Y_1 \cup Y_2$ is set of points of strict entrance for the integral curves of the system (5) respect to sets σ and Ω . Thus, all solutions of the system (5) that satisfy the initial conditions

$$|y_0 - \psi_0| \leq r_2(t_0), \quad |x_0 - \varphi_0| \leq r_1(t_0),$$

also satisfy the conditions

$$|x(t) - \varphi(t)| < r_1(t), \quad |y(t) - \psi(t)| < r_2(t) \text{ for every } t > t_0.$$

As the $y' = x$ and $\varphi = \psi'$, it is

$$x_0 - \varphi_0 = y'_0 - \psi'_0,$$

so, all the solutions of problems (1), (2) satisfies the conditions (8).

- (b) Taking into account the conditions (9) and (10), the following estimates are valid for $P_i^1(x, y, t)$ on X_i and $P_i^2(x, y, t)$ on Y_i , respectively:

$$P_i^1(x, y, t) \geq - \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) r_1 + r_1 r_2 + \left| \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) \varphi + \varphi' \right| - |\varphi| r_2 - r'_1 > 0,$$

$$P_i^2(x, y, t) \geq -r_1 - r'_2 > 0.$$

We conclude that the set $\gamma\sigma$ is set of points of strict exit integral curves of the system (5) with respect to the sets σ and Ω . Thus, according to the method of retraction T. Ważewski, system (5) has at least one solution in the set σ for all $t \in I$. So the problem (1), (2) has at least one solution that satisfies the conditions (8).

(c) In this case, the set $(X_1 \cup X_2) \setminus (Y_1 \cup Y_2)$ is the set of points of strict entrance and the set $(Y_1 \cup Y_2) \setminus (X_1 \cup X_2)$ is the set of points of strict exit (or vice versa) integral curves of the system (5) with respect to the sets of σ and Ω . According to the retraction method system (5) has a one-parameter class of solutions in the set σ for every $t \in I$. Thus, for the problem (1), (2), there is a one-parameter class of solutions that satisfy the conditions (8). \square

In the special case, when Γ is an integral curve of equation (1), from Theorem 1 it follows that:

Corollary 1. *Let Γ be an integral curve of (1) and $r_1, r_2 \in C^1(I, \mathbb{R}^+)$.*

(a) *If*

$$0 < \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) r_1 + r_1' - (|\varphi| + r_1) r_2, \quad r_1(t) < r_2'(t)$$

on $\gamma\sigma = X_1 \cup X_2 \cup Y_1 \cup Y_2$, then all solutions $y(t)$ of the problem (1), (2) satisfy the conditions

$$|y(t) - \psi(t)| < r_2(t), \quad |y'(t) - \psi'(t)| < r_1(t) \quad \text{for } t > t_0.$$

(b) *If*

$$0 > \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) r_1 + r_1' + (|\varphi| + r_1) r_2, \quad r_1(t) < -r_2'(t)$$

on $\gamma\sigma = X_1 \cup X_2 \cup Y_1 \cup Y_2$, then at least one solution to the problem (1), (2) satisfies the conditions (8).

(c) *If the conditions (6) and (10) or (7) and (9) are satisfied, then the problem (1), (2) has a one-parameter class of solutions that satisfies the conditions (8).*

Let us now consider solutions $y(t)$ of the equation (1) that satisfy condition (3), where $(\psi(t), t)$, $t \in I$, is an arbitrary integral curve of the equation (1).

Theorem 2. *Let functions $r_1, r_2 \in C^1(I, \mathbb{R}^+)$ and*

$$\left[(|\varphi| + |\psi|) r_2^2(t) + r_1^2(t) \right]^2 < 4r_1(t)r_2(t) \left[\left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) r_1(t) + r_1'(t) \right] r_2'(t). \quad (11)$$

Then:

(i) *If*

$$r_2'(t) > 0, \quad t \in I, \quad (12)$$

then all solutions $y(t)$ of the problem (1), (3) satisfy the conditions

$$\frac{(y - \psi(t))^2}{r_2^2(t)} + \frac{(y' - \psi'(t))^2}{r_1^2(t)} < 1, \quad \text{for } t > t_0. \quad (13)$$

(ii) *If*

$$r_2'(t) < 0, \quad t \in I, \quad (14)$$

then at least one solution to the problem (1), (3) satisfies the condition (13), where $y(t) = \psi(t)$ is the solution the equation (1).

Proof. We shall consider equation (1) through the equivalent system (5). Consider the integral curves of the system (5) with respect to a set of ω and Ω . For the scalar product of $P(x, y, t) = (\frac{1}{2}\nabla H, T)$ on W , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} P(x, y, t) &= - \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) x \frac{x-\varphi}{r_1^2} + x \frac{y-\psi}{r_2^2} - \frac{(x-\varphi)^2}{r_1^3} r_1' \\ &\quad - \frac{(y-\psi)^2}{r_2^3} r_2' - \frac{(x-\varphi)\varphi'}{r_1^2} - \frac{(y-\psi)\psi'}{r_2^2} \\ &= \left[- \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) (x-\varphi) - \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) \varphi \right] \frac{x-\varphi}{r_1^2} + \frac{(x-\varphi)(y-\psi)}{r_2^2} \\ &\quad - \frac{(x-\varphi)^2}{r_1^3} r_1' - \frac{(y-\psi)^2}{r_2^3} r_2' - \frac{(x-\varphi)\varphi'}{r_1^2} - \frac{(y-\psi)\psi'}{r_2^2}. \end{aligned}$$

If we introduce the notation

$$X = \frac{x-\varphi}{r_1}, \quad Y = \frac{y-\psi}{r_2},$$

we have:

$$\begin{aligned} P(x, y, t) &= \left[- \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) - \frac{r_1'}{r_1} \right] X^2 + \frac{r_1}{r_2} XY - \frac{r_2'}{r_2} Y^2 \\ &\quad + \left[- \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) - \varphi' \right] \frac{X}{r_1} \\ &= \left[- \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) - \frac{r_1'}{r_1} \right] X^2 + \frac{r_1}{r_2} XY - \frac{r_2'}{r_2} Y^2 \\ &\quad + \left[\left(\frac{n-1}{t} + \psi \right) - \left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y \right) \right] \varphi \frac{X}{r_1}. \end{aligned}$$

The following estimates for $P(x, y, t)$ on the surface W are valid:

$$\begin{aligned}
P(x, y, t) &\leq \left[-\left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y\right) - \frac{r'_1}{r_1} \right] X^2 + \left| \frac{r_1}{r_2} \right| |X| |Y| - \frac{r'_2}{r_2} Y^2 \\
&\quad + [|\varphi| + |\psi|] \frac{r_2}{r_1} |X| |Y| \\
&= \left[-\left(\frac{n-1}{t} + y\right) - \frac{r'_1}{r_1} \right] X^2 \\
&\quad + \left[(|\varphi| + |\psi|) \frac{r_2}{r_1} + \left| \frac{r_1}{r_2} \right| \right] |X| |Y| + \left[-\frac{r'_2}{r_2} \right] Y^2, \\
P(x, y, t) &\geq \left[-p(y, t) - \frac{r'_1}{r_1} \right] X^2 - \left| -q(y, t) \frac{r_2}{r_1} + \frac{r_1}{r_2} \right| |X| |Y| + \left[-\frac{r'_2}{r_2} \right] Y^2 \\
&\quad - [L_1 |\varphi| + L_2 |\psi| + L_3] \frac{r_2}{r_1} |X| |Y| \\
&= \left[-p(y, t) - \frac{r'_1}{r_1} \right] X^2 - \\
&\quad - \left[(L_1 |\varphi| + L_2 |\psi| + L_3) \frac{r_2}{r_1} + \left| \frac{r_1}{r_2} - q(y, t) \frac{r_2}{r_1} \right| \right] |X| |Y| \\
&= \left[-\frac{r'_2}{r_2} \right] Y^2.
\end{aligned}$$

The right-hand sides of the above inequalities are the quadratic symmetric forms

$$a_{11}X^2 \pm 2a_{12}|X||Y| + a_{22}Y^2$$

where corresponding coefficients a_{11} , a_{12} , a_{22} are introduced.

(i) Conditions (11) and (12) imply

$$a_{22} < 0, \quad a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}^2 > 0,$$

which, according to Sylvester's criterion, means that $P(x, y, t) < 0$ on W . Consequently, the set W is the set of points of strict entrance to the integral curves of the system (5) respect to the sets ω and Ω . Hence, all solutions of the system (5) that satisfy the initial condition

$$\frac{(x_0 - \varphi_0)^2}{r_1^2(t_0)} + \frac{(y_0 - \psi_0)^2}{r_2^2(t_0)} < 1, \quad (15)$$

satisfy the inequality

$$\frac{(x(t) - \varphi(t))^2}{r_1^2(t)} + \frac{(y(t) - \psi(t))^2}{r_2^2(t)} < 1, \quad \text{for } t > t_0. \quad (16)$$

Since $x_0 - \varphi_0 = y'_0 - \psi'_0$, then all the solutions of problems (1), (3) satisfy condition (13).

(ii) Conditions (11), (14) imply

$$a_{22} > 0, \quad a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}^2 > 0,$$

which, according to Sylvester's criterion, means that $P(x, y, t) > 0$ on W . Consequently, W is the set of points of strict exit integral curves of the system (5) respect to the sets ω and Ω . Hence, according to the retraction method, problem (5), (15) has at least one solution that satisfies the condition (16). Consequently, the problem (1), (3) has at least one solution that satisfies the condition (13). \square

Remark. We note that the obtained results also contain an answer to the question on approximation of solutions $y(t)$ whose existence is established. For example, the errors of the approximation for solutions $y(t)$ and derivative $y'(t)$ in Theorem 1 are defined by the functions $r_1(t)$ and $r_2(t)$ which tend to zero as $t \rightarrow \infty$ and $r'_i(t) < 0, (i = 1, 2), t \in I$. For example, for the functions $r_i(t)$ we can use $r_1(t) = \alpha e^{-st}$ and $r_2(t) = \beta e^{-pt}$, $s > 0, p > 0$ with parameters α and β , that can be arbitrarily small. In that case curve Γ present a good approximation of solution $y(t)$ in σ .

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