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## Exact blow-up solutions to the Cauchy problem the Davey–Stewartson systems

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We present exact blow-up solutions to the Cauchy problem for the Davey–Stewartson systems. It is shown that for any prescribed blow-up time there exists an exact solution whose mass density converges to the Dirac measure as time goes to the blow-up time and that the solution extends beyond the blow-up time and behaves like the free solution as time tends to infinity.

### 1. Introduction

The time evolution of two-dimensional surfaces of water waves has been described by Davey & Stewartson (1974) and Djordjevic & Redekopp (1977) under the assumption that the water waves are subject to (1) weakly nonlinear modulation, (2) slowly varying modulations, (3) propagation along nearly  $x$ -direction, and a balance of these three effects. In suitably rescaled coordinates, the Davey–Stewartson (DS) systems are the following:

$$\begin{aligned} i \partial_t u + \sigma \partial_x^2 u + \partial_y^2 u &= \lambda |u|^2 u + \mu \partial_x \varphi \cdot u, \\ \partial_x^2 \varphi + m \partial_y^2 \varphi &= \partial_x |u|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $u$  is a complex-valued function of space and time variables  $(x, y, t)$  and  $\varphi$  is a real-valued function of  $(x, y, t)$ . The four parameters  $(\sigma, \lambda, \mu, m)$  are real and have been normalized as  $|\sigma| = |\lambda| = 1$ . The functions  $u$  and  $\varphi$  are related to the amplitude and the mean velocity potential of the water wave, respectively.

For some special choices of parameters DS become integrable systems and inverse scattering transform techniques can be applied (see Anker & Freeman (1978), Fokas & Ablowitz (1988) and their references). In the full general case except the hyperbolic-hyperbolic case, i.e.  $\sigma, m < 0$ , Ghidaglia & Saut (1990) studied the Cauchy problem for functional analytic methods similar to those of the nonlinear Schrödinger equation, i.e.  $\sigma > 0, \mu = 0$  (see Ginibre & Velo 1979; Brezis & Gallouet 1980; Kato & Cazenave 1989) and proved the solvability in the Lebesgue space  $L^2 = L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  and Sobolev space  $H^1 = H^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . In the elliptic-hyperbolic case, i.e.  $\sigma > 0, m > 0$ , Tsutsumi (1991) obtained  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^2)$ -decay estimates of the solutions for any  $2 < p < \infty$ .

The purpose of this paper is to study the blow-up or self-focusing properties of solutions of DS. In the elliptic-elliptic case, i.e.  $\sigma, m > 0$ , Ghidaglia & Saut studied the blow-up problem. In this case the blow-up phenomena are analogous to that of the nonlinear Schrödinger equations (see Glassey & Tsutsumi 1984; Weinstein 1986; Nawa & Tsutsumi 1989; Merle & Tsutsumi

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In this paper, following Nawa & Tsutsumi (1989) and Weinstein (1986), we present exact blow-up solutions of DS in the hyperbolic-elliptic case, i.e.  $\sigma < 0, m > 0$ . Moreover, we describe discrepancies between the nonlinear Schrödinger equation and DS in the hyperbolic-elliptic case.

**2. Invariance of the Davey–Stewartson systems**

We start with some basic character of DS. DS are invariant under the following transformations: (1) Time translations  $t \rightarrow t + t_0$ . (2) Space translations  $(x, y) \rightarrow (x + x_0, y + y_0)$ . (3) Phase transformations  $(u, \varphi) \rightarrow (e^{i\theta}u, \varphi), \theta \in \mathbb{R}$ . The associated conserved quantities are given respectively by (see Ghidaglia & Saut 1990):

$$E(u) = \sigma \|\partial_x u\|_2^2 + \|\partial_y u\|_2^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda \|u\|_4^4 + \mu \|\partial_x \varphi\|_2^2 + \mu m \|\partial_y \varphi\|_2^2), \tag{3}$$

$$P(u) = \text{Im} (u, \nabla u), \tag{4}$$

$$M(u) = \|u\|_2^2. \tag{5}$$

Here  $\|\cdot\|_p$  denotes the  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^2)$ -norm and  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  denotes the  $L^2$ -scalar product.  $E, P$ , and  $M$  are the energy, momentum, and mass, respectively. DS have another special invariance  $(u, \varphi) \rightarrow (Cu, \tilde{C}\varphi)$ , where

$$(Cu)(x, y, t) = (a + bt)^{-1} \exp (ib(4(a + bt))^{-1}(\sigma x^2 + y^2)) u(X, Y, T), \tag{6}$$

$$(\tilde{C}\varphi)(x, y, t) = (a + bt)^{-1} \varphi(X, Y, T), \tag{7}$$

$$X = (a + bt)^{-1}x, \quad Y = (a + bt)^{-1}y, \quad T = (a + bt)^{-1}(c + dt),$$

and 
$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R}),$$

i.e.  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $ad - bc = 1$ . This may be the first time that the transformations (6) and (7) are noticed, although (6) has been known for the nonlinear Schrödinger equation (see Ginibre & Velo 1982; Weinstein 1986; Nawa & Tsutsumi 1989; Cazenave & Weissler 1990, 1992). The associated conserved quantity is

$$\sigma \|(x + 2i\sigma t \partial_x) u\|_2^2 + \|(y + 2it \partial_y) u\|_2^2 + 2t^2(\lambda \|u\|_4^4 + \mu \|\partial_x \varphi\|_2^2 + \mu m \|\partial_y \varphi\|_2^2). \tag{8}$$

The corresponding conserved quantity is well known for the nonlinear Schrödinger equation.

**3. Exact blow-up solutions**

We look for exact blow-up solutions by using the transformations  $(C, \tilde{C})$ . By the analogy with the well-known lump solution for the KdV equation, we first seek special solutions of the simple form

$$u(x, y, t) = 1/f(x, y), \quad \varphi(x, y, t) = \gamma \partial_x f(x, y)/f(x, y) = \gamma \partial_x (\ln f(x, y)),$$

where  $f(x, y) = 1 + \alpha x^2 + \beta y^2$ . Substituting  $\varphi$  into the left-hand side of (2), we have

$$\partial_x^2 \varphi + m \partial_y^2 \varphi = 2\gamma \partial_x ((\alpha + \beta m) + \alpha(\beta m - \alpha) x^2 + \beta(\alpha - \beta m) y^2)/f^2,$$

so that we obtain  $\alpha = \beta m$  and  $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}\alpha$ . Similarly, we have

$$i \partial_t u + \sigma \partial_x^2 u + \partial_y^2 u - \lambda |u|^2 u - \mu \partial_x \varphi \cdot u = -((4\alpha\sigma + 4\beta + 2\lambda + \mu) - \alpha(12\alpha\sigma - 4\beta + \mu) x^2 + \beta(4\alpha\sigma - 12\beta + \mu) y^2)/(2f^3),$$

which implies  $m\sigma = -1$  and  $\mu = -2\lambda = 16\beta$ . Therefore,

$$v_\alpha(x, y) = (1 + \alpha(x^2 - \sigma y^2))^{-1},$$

$$\psi_\alpha(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}x(1 + \alpha(x^2 - \sigma y^2))^{-1}$$

are solutions of DS provided that  $m\sigma = -1$  and  $\mu = -2\lambda = 16\alpha/m$ . When and  $\alpha > 0$ , we have  $v_\alpha \in L^2$  and

$$\|v_\alpha\|_2 = (\pi/\alpha)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Now let  $u_\alpha = Cv_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha = \tilde{C}\psi_\alpha$  with  $\alpha > 0, ab \neq 0$ . Let  $m = 1, \sigma = -1, \mu = 16\alpha/m$ . Then DS is hyperbolic-elliptic type and  $(u_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha)$  solves DS. The condition becomes

$$u_\alpha(x, y, 0) = a^{-1} \exp (-ib(4a)^{-1}(x^2 - y^2)) v_\alpha(x, y).$$

Moreover, for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a + bt \neq 0$

$$\|u_\alpha(t)\|_2 = \|v_\alpha\|_2 = (\pi/\alpha)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

while by a direct calculation,

$$(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} u_\alpha(t), \quad \nabla u_\alpha(t) \notin L^2$$

for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Therefore our solution  $u_\alpha$  is an  $L^2$ -solution, but not an  $H^1$ -sol any case. On the other hand,

$$(x^2 + y^2)^{s/2} u_\alpha(t), \quad (-\Delta)^{s/2} u_\alpha(t) \in L^2$$

for any  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $0 < s < 1$  and  $a + bt \neq 0$ . The last assertion follows by u Besov semi-norms defined in terms of the modulus of continuity and em theorems of the homogeneous Sobolev spaces in a way similar to the proof of 2.4 in Hayashi & Ozawa (1988).

We now describe the formation of blow-up of the solution  $u_\alpha(t)$ . For simpl assume  $ab < 0$  and put  $T = -a/b$ . The mass density takes the form

$$|u_\alpha(x, y, t)|^2 = \epsilon^{-2}(1 + \alpha\epsilon^{-2}(x^2 + y^2))^{-2} = \epsilon^{-2}v_\alpha(\epsilon^{-1}x, \epsilon^{-1}y)^2$$

with  $\epsilon = a + bt = -b(T - t)$ . By (11), we find

$$|u_\alpha(t)|^2 \rightarrow (\pi/\alpha) \delta \quad \text{in } \mathcal{S}' \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow T,$$

where  $\delta$  denotes the Dirac measure at the origin. Moreover, for any  $s$  with 0 we have by letting  $t \rightarrow T$ ,

$$\|(x^2 + y^2)^{s/2} u_\alpha(t)\|_2 = |b|^s |T - t|^s \|(x^2 + y^2)^{s/2} v_\alpha\|_2 \rightarrow 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|(-\Delta)^{s/2} u_\alpha(t)\|_2 &\geq C \|(x^2 + y^2)^{-s/2} u_\alpha(t)\|_2 \\ &= C|b|^{-s} |T - t|^{-s} \|(x^2 + y^2)^{-s/2} v_\alpha\|_2 \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the Hardy type inequality (see Herbst 1977).

Therefore the blow-up process of the solution  $u_\alpha(t)$  is summarized as follo start with  $u_\alpha(0)$  given by (12). The initial state  $u_\alpha(0)$  looks like a lump aro origin and has an algebraic decay in space, or equivalently, in two hor directions. Due to the phase factor,  $u_\alpha(0)$  is not radial. By Ghidaglia uniqueness result in  $L^2$ , the unique solutions of DS are given by  $u_\alpha = Cv_\alpha, \varphi_\alpha$ . As time increases, the solution  $u_\alpha(t)$  is localized at the origin and the mass  $|u_\alpha(t)|^2$  takes its maximum value  $\epsilon^{-2} = b^{-2}(T - t)^{-2}$  at the origin. As time goes

blow-up time  $T$ ,  $|u_\alpha(t)|^2$  tends to the Dirac measure with total mass  $\|u_\alpha(t)\|_2^2$  conserved. Every regularity breaks down at the blow-up time as described in (16). The solution  $u_\alpha(t)$ , however, exists after the blow-up time and gains the original regularity. As time goes to infinity, the mass density is dispersed from the origin and decays like  $t^{-2}$ . If we reverse the time direction, we see that for negative times the solution  $u_\alpha(t)$  is stable in the sense that the blow-up phenomenon does not occur.

When  $ab > 0$ , we have another blow-up solution with negative blow-up time which is stable for positive times.

The blow-up process is a natural consequence of the nonlinearity since the linear partial differential operator  $i\partial_t - \partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2$ , or rather the associated propagator  $U(t) = \exp(it(-\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2))$  has the dispersive and smoothing effects. The effect of the nonlinearity, however, is dominant up to the blow-up time and loses its influence for large times because of the dispersive effect of the linear term. To be more specific, the solution  $u_\alpha(t)$  behaves like the free solution in the sense that there is a unique  $f \in L^2$  satisfying

$$\|u_\alpha(t) - U(t)f\|_2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \pm\infty. \quad (17)$$

Indeed,  $f$  is given explicitly by  $f = U(a/b)g$  with

$$g(x, y) = i(2ab)^{-1}K_0((4\alpha)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}),$$

where  $K_0$  is the modified Bessel function of the second kind of order zero. The proof uses the following three facts:

(1)  $U(t)$  has the representation  $U(t)\psi = S(t)D(t)\mathcal{F}S(t)\psi_\sigma$ , where

$$S(t) = \exp(i(4t)^{-1}(-x^2 + y^2)), \quad (D(t)\psi)(x) = (2it)^{-1}\psi((2t)^{-1}x, (2t)^{-1}y),$$

$$(\mathcal{F}\psi)(\xi, \eta) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \exp(-ix\xi - iy\eta)\psi(x, y) dx dy, \quad \psi_\sigma(x, y) = \psi(-x, y).$$

(2)  $S(t) \rightarrow \mathbb{1}$  strongly on  $L^2$  as  $t \rightarrow \pm\infty$ .

(3)  $(\mathcal{F}v_\alpha)(\xi, \eta) = \alpha^{-1}K_0(\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\xi^2 + \eta^2)^{\frac{1}{2}})$ .

We finally remark that in view of (13) the total mass of the initial data  $u_\alpha(0)$  may be chosen arbitrarily small or large by changing  $\alpha$ . Consequently, there are blow-up solutions with total mass arbitrarily small. In addition to the property (17), this is a sharp contrast to the case of the nonlinear Schrödinger equation. These new features reflect the hyperbolicity of the operator  $-\partial_x^2 + \partial_y^2$ .

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