

# On the stability of bifurcating solutions in some problems about capillary-gravity waves.

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In prolongation of our previous investigations on capillary-gravity surface waves in spatial layers (see [1-3] and bibliography to them) the problem about potential flows of incompressible heavy capillary floating fluid in a layer of infinite depth with free upper boundary is considered. Periodical with periods  $\frac{2\pi}{a} = a_1$  and  $\frac{2\pi}{b} = b_1$  potential flows of a heavy capillary floating deep fluid in spatial layer with free upper boundary close to horizontal plane  $z = 0$  are bifurcating from the basis flow with constant velocity  $V$  in  $Ox$ -direction. Velocity potential has form  $\varphi(x, y, z) = Vx + \Phi(x, y, z)$ . In dimensionless variables this problem is described by the system of differential equations

$$\Delta\Phi = 0, -\infty < z < f(x, y); \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = (\nabla f, \nabla_{xy}\Phi) = \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, z = f(x, y); \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\Phi|^2 + F^2 f + \frac{k}{\sqrt{1+|\nabla f|^2}} \left[ F^2 + (-\nabla f \cdot \nabla_{xy} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \left( \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2}|\nabla\Phi|^2 \right) \right] - \\ - \gamma F^2 \operatorname{div} \left( \frac{\nabla f}{\sqrt{1+|\nabla f|^2}} \right) = \operatorname{const}, z = f(x, y) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

with decreasing conditions of the function  $\Phi$  and its first derivatives on infinity. The second equality in (1)–(3) is a kinematic interfacial condition, and the third one describes the force balance (the Bernoulli integral),  $F^2 = \frac{gL}{V^2}$  (the Froud number),  $\gamma = \frac{\sigma}{\rho g L^2}$  (the Bond number),  $k = \frac{\rho_0}{\rho L}$ .

The system (1)–(3) is invariant to the 2-dimensional shifts group  $L_\beta g(x, y) = g(x + \beta_1, y + \beta_2)$  and the reflections

$$\begin{aligned} S_1: x \rightarrow -x, \Phi(x, y, z) \rightarrow -\Phi(-x, y, z), f(x, y) \rightarrow f(-x, y), \\ S_2: y \rightarrow -y, \Phi(x, y, z) \rightarrow \Phi(x, -y, z), f(x, y) \rightarrow f(x, -y) \end{aligned}$$

The linearized system can be obtained by straightening free upper boundary — change of variables  $\zeta = z - f(x, y)$ ,  $\Phi(x, y, \zeta + f(x, y)) = u(x, y, \zeta)$  and setting  $F^2 = F_0^2 + \varepsilon$

$$\Delta u = w^{(0)}(u, f), -\infty < \zeta < 0; \quad (4)$$

$$u_\zeta - f_x = w^{(1)}(u, f), \zeta = 0; \quad (5)$$

$$u_x + ku_{x\zeta} + F_0^2 - \gamma F_0^2 \Delta f = w^{(2)}(u, f, \varepsilon), \zeta = 0; \quad (6)$$

$$k < \gamma F_0^2, \quad (\text{the ellipticity condition of the Bernoulli integral (6)}) \quad (7)$$

where  $w^{(j)}$ ,  $j = 0, 1, 2$  are small nonlinearities. The system (4)–(6) can be written as the nonlinear functional equation  $BX = R(X, \varepsilon)$ ,  $R(0, \varepsilon) \equiv 0$ ,  $R_x(0, 0) = 0$ , where  $X = \{u, f\}$  is the bifurcation point problem with Fredholm [4] operator  $B = B_{mn}: C^{2+\alpha}(\Pi_0 \times (-\infty, 0]) + C^{2+\alpha}(\Pi_0) \rightarrow C^\alpha(\Pi_0 \times (-\infty, 0]) + C^\alpha(\Pi_0) + C^\alpha(\Pi_0)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ,  $\Pi_0$  is the periodicity rectangle in  $(x, y)$  plane.

Presenting the function  $f(x, y)$  by its Fourier series

$$\sum_{m,n} (a_{mn} \cos max \cos nby + b_{mn} \cos max \sin nby + \\ + c_{mn} \sin max \cos nby + d_{mn} \sin max \sin nby),$$

in the homogeneous equation  $BX = 0$  we find

$$u(x, y, \zeta) = \sum_{m,n} \frac{mae^{s_{mn}\zeta}}{s_{mn}} (c_{mn} \cos max \cos nby + d_{mn} \cos max \sin nby - \\ - a_{mn} \sin max \cos nby - b_{mn} \sin max \sin nby), \quad s_{mn}^2 = m^2 a^2 + n^2 b^2, \quad F_{mn}^2 = F_0^2.$$

Then the equation (6) gives the dispersion relation

$$\left(k + \frac{1}{s_{mn}}\right) m^2 a^2 = F_0^2 (1 + \gamma s_{mn}^2), \quad s_{mn}^2 = m^2 a^2 + n^2 b^2, \quad F_{mn}^2 = F_0^2 \quad (8)$$

( $m, n$  are positive integers,  $n$  may be equal zero), at the satisfaction of which for some pairs  $(m_j, n_j)$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, \kappa$  the zero-subspace  $N(B)$  of the linearized operator  $B$  has form

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\varphi}_{1j} &= \{-v_{1j}(\zeta) \sin m_j ax \cos n_j by, v_{2j} \cos m_j ax \cos n_j by\}, \\ \hat{\varphi}_{2j} &= \{-v_{1j}(\zeta) \sin m_j ax \sin n_j by, v_{2j} \cos m_j ax \sin n_j by\}, \\ \hat{\varphi}_{3j} &= \{v_{1j}(\zeta) \cos m_j ax \cos n_j by, v_{2j} \sin m_j ax \cos n_j by\}, \\ \hat{\varphi}_{4j} &= \{v_{1j}(\zeta) \cos m_j ax \sin n_j by, v_{2j} \sin m_j ax \sin n_j by\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } v_{1j}(\zeta) = \frac{m_j a \sqrt{ab}}{\pi s_{m_j n_j}} e^{s_{m_j n_j} \zeta}, \quad v_{2j} = \frac{\sqrt{ab}}{\pi}.$$

Solving the arising branching equations (BEqs) at the different  $n = \dim N(B)$ , we find its solutions (expressed by the coefficients of corresponding BEqs). We consider now the 4-dimensional branching. The orbital stability of the branching solutions (1)–(3) is determined [5] by the stability of stationary solutions of the equation  $\frac{dn}{dt} = t(\eta, \varepsilon)$ , where  $t(\eta, \varepsilon)$  is the left part of

branching system,  $\varepsilon = F^2 - F_{mn}^2$ . The stability of these ones is determined by the signs of eigenvalues of Jacobian matrix  $J = \left[ \frac{\partial \tilde{t}_i}{\partial \eta_j} \right]$  on these solutions. The action of operator  $L_{\beta_1 \beta_2}$  on the arbitrary element  $N(B_{mn})$  is equivalent to the transformation of its coordinates with the aid of matrix  $A_g$  (here  $f_1(\beta_1, \beta_2) = \cos ma\beta_1 \cos nb\beta_2$ ,  $f_2(\beta_1, \beta_2) = \cos ma\beta_1 \sin nb\beta_2$ ,  $f_3(\beta_1, \beta_2) = \sin ma\beta_1 \cos nb\beta_2$ ,  $f_4(\beta_1, \beta_2) = \sin ma\beta_1 \sin nb\beta_2$ )

$$A_g = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{ab}} \begin{pmatrix} f_1(\beta_1, \beta_2) & f_2(\beta_1, \beta_2) & f_3(\beta_1, \beta_2) & f_4(\beta_1, \beta_2) \\ -f_2(\beta_1, \beta_2) & f_1(\beta_1, \beta_2) & -f_4(\beta_1, \beta_2) & f_3(\beta_1, \beta_2) \\ -f_3(\beta_1, \beta_2) & -f_4(\beta_1, \beta_2) & f_1(\beta_1, \beta_2) & f_2(\beta_1, \beta_2) \\ f_4(\beta_1, \beta_2) & -f_3(\beta_1, \beta_2) & -f_2(\beta_1, \beta_2) & f_1(\beta_1, \beta_2) \end{pmatrix}.$$

By using the matrix  $A_g$  the family of solutions is determined  $\tilde{\eta} = A_g \tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon) = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{ab}} (f_1(\beta_1, \beta_2), -f_2(\beta_1, \beta_2), -f_3(\beta_1, \beta_2), f_4(\beta_1, \beta_2))^T \left(-\frac{A}{B}\varepsilon\right)^{1/2} + o(|\varepsilon|^{1/2})$ ,  $\tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon) = (1, 0, 0, 0)^T \left(-\frac{A}{B}\varepsilon\right)^{1/2} + o(|\varepsilon|^{1/2})$ , where  $\tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon)$  is the solution of reduced BEq ( $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$ ).

$$t_\eta(\tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon), \varepsilon) [\Lambda_i \tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon)] = 0, i = 1, 2 \quad (9)$$

where  $\Lambda_i$  are infinitesimal operators of Lie algebra in  $\Xi_\varphi^4$ .

$$t_\eta(\tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon), \varepsilon) = \text{diag} \left\{ A\varepsilon - 3A\varepsilon, 0, 0, A\varepsilon - \frac{CA}{B}\varepsilon \right\}.$$

$$\Lambda_1 \tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon) = \frac{\partial A_\beta}{\partial \beta_1} \Big|_{\beta_1=\beta_2=0} \cdot \tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon) = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{ab}} (0, 0, -m_1 a, 0)^T \left(-\frac{A}{B}\varepsilon\right)^{1/2},$$

$$\Lambda_2 \tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon) = \frac{\partial A_\beta}{\partial \beta_2} \Big|_{\beta_1=\beta_2=0} \cdot \tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon) = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{ab}} (0, -m_1 a, 0, 0)^T \left(-\frac{A}{B}\varepsilon\right)^{1/2},$$

The relations (9) are fulfilled and the stability of branching equations  $A_\beta \tilde{\eta}_0(\varepsilon)$  is determined by the signs of the main terms relative to  $\varepsilon$  of the eigenvalues of Jacobian matrix  $J$  at this solution, which have form ( $\tilde{B} = B+C$ ,  $\tilde{C} = 3B-C$ )  $\nu_{1,2} = 0$ ,  $\nu_3 = -2A\varepsilon$ ,  $\nu_4 = \frac{2A\varepsilon}{\tilde{B}+\tilde{C}}(\tilde{C} - \tilde{B})$ .

**Theorem 1.** In order to the family of solutions be stable it is necessary and sufficient that the condition  $\text{sign}\varepsilon = \text{sign}B = \text{sign}(\tilde{B} + \tilde{C}) = -1$  is fulfilled

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{B} + \tilde{C} < 0 \\ \tilde{C} - \tilde{B} > 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow 0 < \frac{|\tilde{C}|}{|\tilde{B}|} < 1 \quad (10)$$

Let us consider the second group of solutions. Here  $\nu_{1,2} = -\frac{2AB\varepsilon}{\tilde{B}+\tilde{C}}$ ,  $\nu_3 = -\frac{2A\varepsilon}{\tilde{B}+\tilde{C}}(C - B)$ ,  $\nu_4 = 0$ .

**Theorem 2.** In order to the family of solutions be stable it is necessary and sufficient that the condition  $\text{sign}\varepsilon = \text{sign}(B + C) = \text{sign}\tilde{B} = -1$  is fulfilled.

$$0 < \frac{|\tilde{B}|}{|\tilde{C}|} < 1 \quad (11)$$

**Remark 1.** At the satisfaction of inequality (10) (resp. (11)), the family (1)-(3) will be stable relative to perturbations of the same periodicity lattices class, and the instability relative to perturbations of the same periodicity class means the instability in general. **Remark 2.** The results for the problem, considered in [6], are similar to the ones obtained for the case of deep fluid (the same conditions for stability, but different expressions for coefficients).

$n = \dim N(B) = 6$ . Here the eigenvalues of Jacobian matrix have form  $\nu_{1,2,3,4} = 0$ ,  $\nu_{5,6} = \frac{C\varepsilon \pm \sqrt{C^2\varepsilon^2 + 4AC\varepsilon^2}}{2}$ . Since  $A, C < 0$ , one of them is positive, so we have the instability in this case.

$n = \dim N(B) = 4 + 2 + 2$ . For the first solution  $\nu_{1,2,3,4,5} = 0$ ,  $\nu_6, \nu_7, \nu_8$  are the roots of cubic equation (one of them is negative and the others are complex-conjugate). At the  $\gamma \rightarrow 0$  we obtain the conditions under which the solution will be stable:  $\text{sign} BD = -1$ ,  $\frac{EG}{B^2} > 1$ . For the second solution  $\nu_{1,2,3,4,5,6} = 0$ ,  $\nu_{7,8} = \frac{(F+2C)\varepsilon \pm \sqrt{(F+2C)^2\varepsilon^2 - 8CF(1+\varepsilon^2)}}{2}$ . Since  $C, F < 0$ , for any  $\varepsilon > 0$   $\nu_{7,8} < 0$ , i.e. the solution is stable. And for the third one:  $\nu_{1,2,3,4,5,6} = 0$ ,  $\nu_{7,8} = \frac{F\varepsilon \pm \sqrt{F^2\varepsilon^2 + 8CF\varepsilon^2}}{2}$ . Since  $C, F < 0$ , one of  $\nu_{7,8}$  is positive, then the solution is unstable.

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