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Latterly, in *International Journal of Numerical Methods for Heat and Fluid Flow*, [Wazwaz \(2022\)](#), [Li et al. \(2022\)](#), [Khuri \(2023\)](#) and [Ramos and Garcia Lopez \(2024\)](#) have absorbingly studied the shallow water, i.e., on certain multiple soliton solutions and lump solutions for two integrable shallow water wave equations ([Wazwaz, 2022](#)), Gramian solutions and solitonic interactions for a (2+1)-dimensional Broer-Kaup-Kupershmidt system in the shallow water ([Li et al., 2022](#)), soliton solutions for a (2+1)-dimensional Korteweg-de Vries equation describing the shallow water waves ([Khuri, 2023](#)) as well as blowup in finite time of the numerical solutions for a (1+1)-dimensional, bidirectional, nonlinear wave model for the small-amplitude waves in shallow water, depending upon the relaxation time, linear and nonlinear drift, power of the nonlinear advection flux, viscosity coefficient, viscous attenuation, etc. ([Ramos and Garcia Lopez, 2024](#)).

Enthusiasm for the shallow water has been warmed by [Wazwaz \(2022\)](#), [Li et al. \(2022\)](#), [Khuri \(2023\)](#) and [Ramos and Garcia Lopez \(2024\)](#), and consequently this shallow-water-oriented Letter aims to deal with a (2+1)-dimensional generalised modified dispersive water-wave system for the nonlinear and dispersive long gravity waves travelling along two horizontal directions in the shallow water of uniform depth ([Gao et al., 2023a](#); [Liu et al., 2023](#)):

$$u_{yt} + \alpha u_{xxy} - 2\alpha v_{xx} - \beta u u_{xy} - \beta u_x u_y = 0, \quad (1a)$$

$$v_t - \alpha v_{xx} - \beta (uv)_x = 0, \quad (1b)$$

in which the real differentiable functions $v(x, y, t)$ and $u(x, y, t)$, respectively, imply the horizontal velocity of the water wave and the height of the water surface, α and β are the real non-zero constants, and the subscripts represent the partial derivatives concerning the scaled space variables x, y and time variable t . With symbolic computation ([Anderson and Farazmand, 2024](#); [Kovacs et al., 2024](#); [Shen et al., 2023a, 2023b, 2023e, 2023f](#); [Gao et al., 2023b](#); [Wu and Gao, 2023](#); [Wu et al., 2023a, 2023c, 2023d](#); [Zhou and Tian, 2022](#)) in planning, [Gao et al. \(2023a\)](#) have given a set of the hetero-Bäcklund transformations, a set of the scaling transformations and four sets of the similarity reductions for [system \(1\)](#), whereas [Liu et al. \(2023\)](#) have investigated certain Lie point symmetry generators, Lie symmetry groups and symmetry reductions for [system \(1\)](#) with some analytic solutions. Shallow-water special cases of [system \(1\)](#) have been seen in [Ying and Lou \(2000\)](#), [Li and Zhang \(2004\)](#), [Ma et al. \(2015\)](#), [Zhao and Han \(2015\)](#), [Kassem and Rashed \(2019\)](#), [Yamgoué et al. \(2019\)](#), [Liang and Wang \(2019\)](#), [Ren et al. \(2019\)](#), [Cao et al. \(2020\)](#), [Li et al.](#)



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(2022), Gao *et al.* (2023a) as well as Liu *et al.* (2023). Additionally, fluids from all over the Solar System have been observed and discussed (Lainey *et al.*, 2024; Neish *et al.*, 2024; Cheng *et al.*, 2022, 2023a, 2023b, 2024; Feng *et al.*, 2023; Gao, 2024a, 2024d; Gao *et al.*, 2023c; Shen *et al.*, 2023c, 2023d; Wu *et al.*, 2023b; Zhou *et al.*, 2023a, 2023b, 2024).

Key point: In accordance with Wazwaz (2022), Li *et al.* (2022), Khuri (2023) and Ramos and Garcia Lopez (2024), and using symbolic computation, this shallow-water-oriented Letter tries to construct two branches of the similarity reductions for system (1), different from those reported in Gao *et al.* (2023a) and Liu *et al.* (2023).

Towards system (1), similar to those in Clarkson and Kruskal (1989), Gao and Tian (2022, 2024) as well as Gao (2023, 2024b, 2024c), the assumptions

$$u(x, y, t) = \theta(x, y, t) + \omega(x, y, t)p[z(y, t)], \tag{2a}$$

$$v(x, y, t) = \gamma(x, y, t) + \kappa(x, y, t)q[z(y, t)], \tag{2b}$$

and choice of $z, z_t \neq 0$ develop into

$$\begin{aligned} \omega z_y z_t p'' - 2\beta\omega\omega_x z_y p' - \beta(\omega_x\omega_y + \omega\omega_{xy})p^2 - 2\alpha\kappa_{xx}q \\ + [(\omega_y z_t + \omega_t z_y + \omega z_{yt}) - \beta(\omega\theta_x + \omega_x\theta)z_y + \alpha\omega_{xx}z_y]p' \\ + [\omega_{yt} - \beta(\omega_y\theta_x + \omega_x\theta_y + \omega\theta_{xy} + \omega_{xy}\theta) + \alpha\omega_{xxy}]p \\ + [\theta_{yt} - \beta(\theta_x\theta_y + \theta\theta_{xy}) - 2\alpha\gamma_{xx} + \alpha\theta_{xxy}] = 0, \end{aligned} \tag{3a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa z_t q' - \beta(\omega\kappa_x + \omega_x\kappa)pq + [\kappa_t - \beta(\theta\kappa_x + \theta_x\kappa) - \alpha\kappa_{xx}]q - \beta(\omega\gamma_x + \omega_x\gamma)p \\ + [\gamma_t - \beta(\theta\gamma_x + \theta_x\gamma) - \alpha\gamma_{xx}] = 0, \end{aligned} \tag{3b}$$

with $\theta(x, y, t)$, $\omega(x, y, t)$, $\neq 0$, $\gamma(x, y, t)$, $\kappa(x, y, t) \neq 0$ and $z(y, t) \neq 0$ meaning certain real to-be-determined differentiable functions, $p(z)$ and $q(z)$ denoting two real differentiable functions while the “'” sign representing d/dz.

We prefer to consider the following ordinary differential equations (ODEs): By reason that equations (3) are designed as a set of the ODEs with respect to $p(z)$ and $q(z)$, we make the ratios of different derivatives and powers of $p(z)$ and $q(z)$ become the functions of z only. Consequently,

$$\Omega_1(z)\omega z_y z_t = -2\beta\omega\omega_x z_y, \tag{4a}$$

$$\Omega_2(z)\omega z_y z_t = -\beta(\omega_x\omega_y + \omega\omega_{xy}), \tag{4b}$$

$$\Omega_3(z)\omega z_y z_t = -2\alpha\kappa_{xx}, \tag{4c}$$

$$\Omega_4(z)\omega z_y z_t = (\omega_y z_t + \omega_t z_y + \omega z_{yt}) - \beta(\omega\theta_x + \omega_x\theta)z_y + \alpha\omega_{xx}z_y, \tag{4d}$$

$$\Omega_5(z)\omega z_y z_t = \omega_{yt} - \beta(\omega_y\theta_x + \omega_x\theta_y + \omega\theta_{xy} + \omega_{xy}\theta) + \alpha\omega_{xxy}, \tag{4e}$$

$$\Omega_6(z)\omega z_y z_t = \theta_{yt} - \beta(\theta_x\theta_y + \theta\theta_{xy}) - 2\alpha\gamma_{xx} + \alpha\theta_{xxy}, \tag{4f}$$

$$\Gamma_1(z)\kappa z_t = -\beta(\omega\kappa_x + \omega_x\kappa), \tag{4g}$$

$$\Gamma_2(z)\kappa z_t = \kappa_t - \beta(\theta\kappa_x + \theta_x\kappa) - \alpha\kappa_{xx}, \tag{4h}$$

$$\Gamma_3(z)\kappa z_t = -\beta(\omega\gamma_x + \omega_x\gamma), \tag{4i}$$

$$\Gamma_4(z)\kappa z_t = \gamma_t - \beta(\theta\gamma_x + \theta_x\gamma) - \alpha\gamma_{xx}, \tag{4j}$$

with $\Omega_i(z)$'s ($i = 1, \dots, 6$) and $\Gamma_j(z)$'s ($j = 1, \dots, 4$) standing for the real to-be-determined functions as for z only.

Accordingly, any solutions for $\theta(x, y, t)$, $\omega(x, y, t) \neq 0$, $\gamma(x, y, t)$, $\kappa(x, y, t) \neq 0$ and $z(y, t) \neq 0$ can bring about, at least, a similarity reduction.

Let us keep the similarity-reduction issue in mind and turn to [Clarkson and Kruskal \(1989\)](#).

On the score of the second freedom in remark 3 in [Clarkson and Kruskal \(1989\)](#), equations (4a) and (4c) bring about

$$\omega(x, y, t) = -\frac{z_t}{2\beta}x, \quad \kappa(x, y, t) = \frac{z_y z_t^2}{24\alpha\beta}x^3, \quad \Omega_1(z) = \Omega_3(z) = 1. \tag{5}$$

In the light of the first freedom in remark 3 in [Clarkson and Kruskal \(1989\)](#), equation (4b) comes to

$$z(y, t) = \lambda_1 y + \lambda_2 t + \lambda_3, \quad \Omega_2(z) = 0, \tag{6}$$

as a result that equation (4g) turns into

$$\Gamma_1(z) = 2, \tag{7}$$

with λ_1 and λ_2 implying two real non-zero constants, whereas λ_3 meaning a real constant.

So far, two branches of $\theta(x, y, t)$ can help us simplify $\Gamma_2(z)$ to a constant:

Branch 1:

In this branch, based on the first freedom in remark 3 in [Clarkson and Kruskal \(1989\)](#), equations (4h) and (4i) give rise to

$$\theta(x, y, t) = -\frac{3\alpha}{\beta}x^{-1}, \quad \gamma(x, y, t) = 0, \quad \Gamma_2(z) = \Gamma_3(z) = 0. \tag{8}$$

Then, equations (4d), (4e), (4f) and (4j) bloom into

$$\Omega_4(z) = \Omega_5(z) = \Omega_6(z) = \Gamma_4(z) = 0. \tag{9}$$

We are in a position to transform system (1) into two ODEs, i.e.,

$$p'' + pp' + q = 0, \tag{10a}$$

$$q' + 2pq = 0, \tag{10b}$$

and then to simplify ODEs (10) to a single ODE, i.e.,

$$p''' + 3pp'' + p'^2 + 2p^2p' = 0, \tag{11}$$

with the choice of

$$q = -(p'' + pp'). \tag{12}$$

In short, we build up the following branch of the similarity reductions for [system \(1\)](#):

$$u(x, y, t) = -\frac{3\alpha}{\beta}x^{-1} - \frac{\lambda_2}{2\beta}xp[z(y, t)], \tag{13a}$$

$$v(x, y, t) = -\frac{\lambda_1\lambda_2^2}{24\alpha\beta}x^3\{p''[z(y, t)] + p[z(y, t)]p'[z(y, t)]\}, \tag{13b}$$

$$z(y, t) = \lambda_1y + \lambda_2t + \lambda_3, \tag{13c}$$

$$p''' + 3pp'' + p'^2 + 2p^2p' = 0. \tag{13d}$$

ODE (13d) means a known ODE, the information of which has been given in [Zwillinger and Dobrushkin \(2022\)](#).

In relation to the nonlinear and dispersive long gravity waves travelling along two horizontal directions in the shallow water of uniform depth, as for $u(x, y, t)$, the height of the water surface, and $v(x, y, t)$, the horizontal velocity of the water wave, [similarity reductions \(13\)](#) are dependent on α and β , the shallow-water coefficients in [system \(1\)](#).

Branch 2:

In this branch, on account of the second freedom in remark 3 in [Clarkson and Kruskal \(1989\)](#), [equation \(4h\)](#) becomes

$$\theta(x, y, t) = -\frac{\lambda_2}{4\beta}x - \frac{3\alpha}{\beta}x^{-1}, \quad \Gamma_2(z) = 1. \tag{14}$$

On the ground of the first freedom in remark 3 in [Clarkson and Kruskal \(1989\)](#), [equation \(4i\)](#) makes for

$$\gamma(x, y, t) = 0, \quad \Gamma_3(z) = 0, \tag{15}$$

so that [equations \(4d\), \(4e\), \(4f\)](#) and [\(4j\)](#) issue in

$$\Omega_4(z) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \Omega_5(z) = \Omega_6(z) = \Gamma_4(z) = 0. \tag{16}$$

We are now capable of transforming [system \(1\)](#) into the following two ODEs:

$$p'' + pp' + q + \frac{1}{2}p' = 0, \tag{17a}$$

$$q' + 2pq + q = 0, \tag{17b}$$

and then of simplifying [ODEs \(17\)](#) into the following single ODE:

$$p''' + 3pp'' + \frac{3}{2}p'' + p'^2 + 2p^2p' + 2pp' + \frac{1}{2}p' = 0, \tag{18}$$

with the choice of

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$$q = -\left(p'' + pp' + \frac{1}{2}p'\right). \quad (19)$$

In brief, we construct another branch of the similarity reductions for [system \(1\)](#), i.e.,

$$u(x, y, t) = -\left(\frac{\lambda_2}{4\beta}x + \frac{3\alpha}{\beta}x^{-1}\right) - \frac{\lambda_2}{2\beta}xp[z(y, t)], \quad (20a)$$

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$$v(x, y, t) = -\frac{\lambda_1\lambda_2^2}{24\alpha\beta}x^3\left\{p''[z(y, t)] + p[z(y, t)]p'[z(y, t)] + \frac{1}{2}p'[z(y, t)]\right\}, \quad (20b)$$

$$z(y, t) = \lambda_1y + \lambda_2t + \lambda_3, \quad (20c)$$

$$p''' + 3pp'' + \frac{3}{2}p'' + p'^2 + 2p^2p' + 2pp' + \frac{1}{2}p' = 0. \quad (20d)$$

ODE (20d) implies a known ODE, the information of which has been presented in [Zwillinger and Dobrushkin \(2022\)](#).

In relation to the nonlinear and dispersive long gravity waves travelling along two horizontal directions in the shallow water of uniform depth, as for $u(x, y, t)$, the height of the water surface, and $v(x, y, t)$, the horizontal velocity of the water wave, [similarity reductions \(20\)](#) depend on α and β , the shallow-water coefficients in [system \(1\)](#).

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