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# Three Families of Functions of Complexity One

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*Three rare families of functions of analytic complexity one were studied. Main results are the description of linear differential equations with solutions of complexity one (Theorem 2), the description of  $L$ -pairs of complexity one (Theorem 5), the description of  $O(2)$ -simple functions (Theorem 7).*

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## Introduction

The complexity of analytic functions of several variables has been studied in [1–5]. A method of measuring the complexity of an analytic function in two variables, possibly multivalued, is proposed in [3]. For any analytic function of two variables  $z(x, y)$  one can define its complexity  $N(z)$ . It attains values  $0, 1, \dots, \infty$  and is preserved under any analytic continuation. Functions of one variable have complexity  $N(z) = 0$ . Complexity one have functions  $z(x, y)$  of two variables if they have the form  $z = c(a(x) + b(y))$ , where  $a, b, c$  are nonconstant functions of one variable, and so on. In other words, for a function  $z$  of two variables we write  $N(z) = n$  if  $z$  can be represented in the form  $C(A(x, y) + B(x, y))$ , where  $C$  is a function of one variable, and the complexity of  $A$  and  $B$  is less than  $n$ , and there is no such representation with a smaller value of  $n$ . This produces an increasing system of classes of functions

$$Cl_0 \subset Cl_1 \subset Cl_2 \dots$$

If a function does not belong to any of these classes we write  $N(z) = \infty$ . Each of the above classes is defined by differential-algebraic relations. For example,  $Cl_0$  is defined by the condition  $z'_x z'_y = 0$ , and  $Cl_1$  by the condition

$$\delta(z) = z'_x z'_y (z'''_{xxy} z''_y - z'''_{xyy} z'_x) + z''_{xy} ((z'_x)^2 z''_{yy} - (z'_y)^2 z''_{xx}) = 0. \quad (1)$$

The differential polynomial  $\delta(z)$  is the numerator of the expression  $(\ln(z'_y/z'_x))''_{xy}$ .

## 1. Linear equations with constant coefficients

Consider the pair of functions  $(z_1 = e^{ax+by}, z_2 = e^{px+qy})$ . If  $ab = pq = 0$  then we have  $\max(N(z_1), N(z_2)) = 0$ . If it is not so, then  $\max(N(z_1), N(z_2)) = 1$ . What condition on  $(a, b, p, q)$  provides that the complexity of all linear combinations of  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  does not exceed one? The answer gives

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**Lemma 1.** *Let  $(ab, pq) \neq 0$ . The complexity of all linear combinations of  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  does not exceed 1 only in three cases (1)  $p = a$ , (2)  $q = b$ , (3)  $aq = bp$ .*

*Proof.* The condition (1) for  $z = t_1 z_1 + t_2 z_2$  has the form

$$(b - q)(a - p)(qa - bp) \left( (e^{ax+by})^2 abt_2^2 - (e^{px+qy})^2 pqt_1^2 \right) e^{ax+by} e^{px+qy} t_1 t_2 = 0.$$

So the lemma is proved.  $\square$

There is a curious corollary from this lemma. Consider a homogeneous linear equation with constant coefficients  $P(D)(z(x, y)) = 0$  and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be the space of its analytic solutions. The complexity  $N(\mathcal{L})$  of the space of solutions  $\mathcal{L}$  is the maximum (finite or infinite) of the solutions' complexities.

**Theorem 2.** *If  $N(\mathcal{L}) \leq 1$ , then the equation  $P(D)(z(x, y)) = 0$  has one of the forms:*

- (1)  $z'_x - Az = 0$ , solutions have the form  $z = e^{Ax} b(y)$ ,
- (2)  $z'_y - Bz = 0$ , solutions have the form  $z = e^{By} a(x)$ ,
- (3)  $kz'_x + lz'_y = 0$ , solutions have the form  $z = c(lx - ky)$ ,
- (4)  $z''_{xy} = 0$ , solutions have the form  $z = a(x) + b(y)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\chi = \{P(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = 0\}$  be the characteristic set of this equation and let  $(z_1 = e^{ax+by}, z_2 = e^{px+qy})$  be two solutions, i.e.  $(a, b), (p, q) \in \chi$ . It follows from Lemma 1 that  $\chi$  belongs to a vertical line (case (1)) or to a horizontal line (case (2)), or to a line passing through the origin (case (3)). There is another case (case (4)) outside Lemma 1. In this case  $\chi$  is the coordinate cross and  $N(z_1) = N(z_2) = 0$ . The characteristic polynomials have one of the forms: in case (1)  $P(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = (\lambda_1 - A)^{n_1}$ , in case (2)  $P(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = (\lambda_2 - B)^{n_2}$ , in case (3)  $P(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = (k\lambda_1 + l\lambda_2)^{n_3}$ , in case (4)  $P(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = (\lambda_1 \lambda_2)^{n_4}$ . In all cases it is not difficult to solve these differential equations. The condition  $N(\mathcal{L}) \leq 1$  is true only for  $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = n_4 = 1$ . The theorem is proved.  $\square$

Note that if the multiplicities  $(n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4)$  are arbitrary, then the complexities of the space of solutions are finite but greater than one.

## 2. L-pairs

A collection of functions forms a linear space if this collection is closed under addition and multiplication by a constant (complex numbers). Multiplication by a nonzero constant does not change the complexity of a function:  $N(\lambda z(x, y)) = N(z(x, y))$ . This means that a nonzero function of complexity 1 generates a linear space lying in  $Cl_1$ . As for a sum of two functions, if  $N(z_1(x, y))$  and  $N(z_2(x, y))$  do not exceed  $n$  then  $N(z_1(x, y) + z_2(x, y)) \leq (n + 1)$ . It can be shown that in 'general position' this inequality becomes the equality. There is a simple example:  $N(xy) = 1$ ,  $N(x^2) = 0$ , then  $N(xy + x^2) = 2$ . But there exist exceptional pairs. For example  $N(xy) = 1$ ,  $N(x + y) = 1$  and  $N(t_1(xy) + t_2(x + y)) = 1$  for any  $(t_1, t_2)$ .

**Definition.** *We call a pair of functions  $(z_1(x, y), z_2(x, y))$  an L-pair of complexity  $n$  if*

$$N(t_1 z_1(x, y) + t_2 z_2(x, y)) \leq \max(N(z_1), N(z_2)) = n \text{ for any } (t_1, t_2).$$

Here we assume that  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  have analytic germs at the same point. Lemma 1 then becomes a classification of L-pairs of a special form.

Let us formulate several obvious statements.

**Statement 3.** *Two functions  $(z_1, z_2)$  is an L-pair of complexity zero if and only if they are functions of the same argument  $x$  or  $y$ .*

**Statement 4.** *The property of being an  $L$ -pair is invariant under the action of*

- (1) *the pseudo-group of transformations  $\{(x \rightarrow p(x), y \rightarrow q(y))\}$ ,*
- (2) *the change  $\{(x \rightarrow y, y \rightarrow x)\}$ ,*
- (3) *the affine group of transformations of  $(z_1, z_2)$ -plane.*

The pseudo-group generated by the transformations (1), (2) and (3) we denote by  $\mathcal{G}$ . The description of  $L$ -pairs is natural to give up to the  $\mathcal{G}$ -action.

Now let us turn back to Lemma 1. If we assume only that  $N(z_1 + z_2) \leq 1$ , we have the same description. Indeed, the condition (1) for  $z = z_1 + z_2$  has the form

$$(b - q)(a - p)(qa - bp) \left( (e^{ax+by})^2 ab - (e^{px+qy})^2 pq \right) e^{ax+by} e^{px+qy} = 0,$$

and it is enough to reach the conclusion of Lemma 1. Taking this into account we modify the definition.

**Definition.** *We call a pair  $(z_1(x, y), z_2(x, y))$  a pair of complexity  $n$ , if  $N(z_1(x, y) + z_2(x, y)) \leq \max(N(z_1), N(z_2)) = n$ .*

We can strengthen Lemma 1 as follows.

**Lemma 1'.** *Let  $(ab, pq) \neq 0$ . The pair  $(z_1 = e^{ax+by}, z_2 = e^{px+qy})$  is a pair of complexity one only in three cases (1)  $p = a$ , (2)  $q = b$ , (3)  $aq = bp$ .*

Now we turn to the construction of an arbitrary  $L$ -pair of complexity one. Their description is given in the form of a list of cases that are specified and denoted in the course of exposition.

Let  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  be two functions of complexity not exceeding 1, that is  $z_1 = c_1(a_1(x) + b_1(y))$ ,  $z_2 = c_2(a_2(x) + b_2(y))$ . Assume also that  $\max(N(z_1), N(z_2)) = 1$ , i.e. one of the functions has complexity one, let it be  $z_2$ . Then  $a_2$ ,  $b_2$ , and  $r$  are non constant and locally invertible at a general point. Replace  $x$  by  $a_2^{-1}(x)$  and  $y$  by  $b_2^{-1}(y)$ . The condition takes the form

$$c(a(x) + b(y)) + t \cdot r(x + y) \in Cl_1 \quad \forall t, \quad r' \neq 0. \quad (2)$$

Let the first term have complexity zero, this is **Case (01)**. Then the first term is a function of one variable, denote it by  $a(x)$ . From (1) for  $a(x) + t \cdot r(x + y)$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 r_1 r_3 &= 2 a_1 r_2^2 - a_2 r_1 r_2, \\ r_1 r_3 &= r_2^2. \end{aligned}$$

By lower indices we denote orders of derivatives. If  $r_2 = 0$  then  $r(x + y) = k \cdot (x + y) + l$  and  $a(x)$  is arbitrary. This is **Case (01.1)**. This pair is equivalent to  $(a(x), (x + y))$ .

If  $r_2$  is not zero then from the second equation we have  $r(t) = \rho \cdot e^{mt} + \tilde{\rho}$ . And from the first equation we have  $a(x) = \alpha \cdot e^{mt} + \tilde{\alpha}$ . This pair is equivalent to  $(kx, xy)$ . We call this **Case (01.2)**

Consider now **Case (11)** when both terms have complexity one. This means that  $a'$ ,  $b'$ ,  $c'$ ,  $r'$  are nonconstant functions. From (1) for  $c(a(x) + b(y)) + t \cdot r(x + y)$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & a_1^2 b_1 c_3 r_1^2 - a_1 b_1^2 c_3 r_1^2 - a_1^2 c_2 r_1 r_2 - a_1 b_2 c_2 r_1^2 + a_2 b_1 c_2 r_1^2 + \\ & + b_1^2 c_2 r_1 r_2 - a_1 c_1 r_1 r_3 + 2 a_1 c_1 r_2^2 - a_2 c_1 r_1 r_2 + b_1 c_1 r_1 r_3 - 2 b_1 c_1 r_2^2 + b_2 c_1 r_1 r_2 = 0, \\ & -a_1^3 b_1 c_1 c_3 r_1^2 - a_1^3 b_1 c_2^2 r_1^2 - a_1 b_1^3 c_1 c_3 r_1^2 + a_1 b_1^3 c_2^2 r_1^2 - 2 a_1^2 b_2 c_1 c_2 r_1^2 + 2 a_2 b_1^2 c_1 c_2 r_1^2 - \\ & - a_1^2 c_1^2 r_1 r_3 + a_1^2 c_1^2 r_2^2 + 2 a_1 b_2 c_1^2 r_1 r_2 - 2 a_2 b_1 c_1^2 r_1 r_2 + b_1^2 c_1^2 r_1 r_3 - b_1^2 c_1^2 r_2^2 = 0, \quad (3) \\ & a_1^3 b_1^2 c_1 c_3 r_1 - 2 a_1^3 b_1^2 c_2^2 r_1 - a_1^2 b_1^3 c_1 c_3 r_1 + 2 a_1^2 b_1^3 c_2^2 r_1 + a_1^3 b_1 c_1 c_2 r_2 - a_1^3 b_2 c_1 c_2 r_1 - \\ & - a_1 b_1^3 c_1 c_2 r_2 + a_2 b_1^3 c_1 c_2 r_1 - a_1^2 b_1 c_1^2 r_3 + a_1^2 b_2 c_1^2 r_2 + a_1 b_1^2 c_1^2 r_3 - a_2 b_1^2 c_1^2 r_2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Eliminating  $c_3$  from the first and second equations and then from the first and third equations, we get two equations. Each of them is a quadratic form in  $(c_1, c_2)$  with a common factor  $a_1 b_1 r_1 (a_1 - b_1)^2$ . In our case this factor can be equal to zero only if  $a_1 - b_1 = 0$  (**Case (11.1)**). This pair has the form  $(c(x+y), r(x+y))$ .

Assume now  $a_1 - b_1 \neq 0$ . After dividing by the common factor we get

$$\begin{aligned} & a_1^2 b_1 c_2^2 r_1^2 + a_1 b_1^2 c_2^2 r_1^2 - a_1^2 c_1 c_2 r_1 r_2 - 2 a_1 b_1 c_1 c_2 r_1 r_2 + a_1 b_2 c_1 c_2 r_1^2 + \\ & + a_2 b_1 c_1 c_2 r_1^2 - b_1^2 c_1 c_2 r_1 r_2 + a_1 c_1^2 r_2^2 - a_2 c_1^2 r_1 r_2 + b_1 c_1^2 r_2^2 - b_2 c_1^2 r_1 r_2 = 0, \\ & 2 a_1^2 b_1^2 c_2^2 r_1^2 - 2 a_1^2 b_1 c_1 c_2 r_1 r_2 + a_1^2 b_2 c_1 c_2 r_1^2 - 2 a_1 b_1^2 c_1 c_2 r_1 r_2 + \\ & + a_2 2 b_1^2 c_1 c_2 r_1^2 + 4 a_1 b_1 c_1^2 r_2^2 - 2 a_1 b_2 c_1^2 r_1 r_2 - 2 a_2 b_1 c_1^2 r_1 r_2 = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

After elimination of  $c_2/c_1$  we have

$$(a_1 - b_1)^3 a_1 b_1 r_1^6 a_2 b_2 r_2 (a_1^2 b_1 r_2 - a_1^2 b_2 r_1 - a_1 b_1^2 r_2 + a_2 b_1^2 r_1) = 0. \quad (5)$$

Consider all the possibilities separately.

**Case (11.2).** One of the functions  $a'' = 0$  and  $b'' = 0$  is linear, let it be  $b$ , then  $b(y) = k \cdot y + l$ , where  $k \neq 0$ . Replace  $k \cdot y + l$  by  $y$  and  $k \cdot x - l$  by  $x$ , then  $r(t)$  becomes  $r(t/k)$ . The condition (1) for  $c(a(x) + y) + t \cdot r(x + y)$  takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} & a_1^3 c_1 c_2 r_2 + a_1^3 c_1 c_3 r_1 - 2 a_1^3 c_2^2 r_1 - a_1^2 c_1^2 r_3 - a_1^2 c_1 c_3 r_1 + \\ & 2 a_1^2 c_2^2 r_1 + a_1 c_1^2 r_3 - a_1 c_1 c_2 r_2 - a_2 c_1^2 r_2 + a_2 c_1 c_2 r_1 = 0, \\ & a_1^3 c_1 c_3 r_1^2 - a_1^3 c_2^2 r_1^2 - a_1^2 c_1^2 r_1 r_3 + a_1^2 c_1^2 r_2^2 - a_1 c_1 c_3 r_1^2 + \\ & a_1 c_2^2 r_1^2 - 2 a_2 c_1^2 r_1 r_2 + 2 a_2 c_1 c_2 r_1^2 + c_1^2 r_1 r_3 - c_1^2 r_2^2 = 0, \\ & -a_1^2 c_2 r_1 r_2 + a_1^2 c_3 r_1^2 - a_1 c_1 r_1 r_3 + 2 a_1 c_1 r_2^2 - a_1 c_3 r_1^2 - \\ & a_2 c_1 r_1 r_2 + a_2 c_2 r_1^2 + c_1 r_1 r_3 - 2 c_1 r_2^2 + c_2 r_1 r_2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The expressions for  $c_3$  from each of these equations are fractions with the denominators

$$a_1^2 c_1 r_1 (a_1 - 1), \quad a_1 c_1 r_1^2 (a_1^2 - 1), \quad a_1 r_1^2 (a_1 - 1).$$

There are two possibilities for vanishing of one of the denominators:  $a_1 = 1$  or  $a_1 = -1$ . In our case  $a_1 \neq b_1$ , hence we have only the second possibility  $a_1 = -1$ ,  $a(x) = -x + \alpha$ . The condition (1) yields

$$\begin{aligned} & -c_1^2 r_3 - c_1 c_3 r_1 + 2 c_2^2 r_1 = 0, \\ & c_1 r_1 r_3 - 2 c_1 r_2^2 + c_3 r_1^2 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c$  and  $r$  are functions of two independent variables  $x - y$  and  $x + y$ .

Separating the variables and solving the differential equations we arrive at **Case (11.2.1)** :  $c(-x + y) = \gamma e^{m(-x+y)} + \tilde{\gamma}$ ,  $r(x + y) = \rho e^{\pm m(x+y)} + \tilde{\rho}$ . The pair then has the form  $(y/x, xy)$ .

If  $a_1 \neq \pm 1$ , we can eliminate  $c_3$  from (5) to get two quadratic form in  $(c_1, c_2)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & (c_2 r_1 - c_1 r_2) (c_2 a_1^3 r_1 + c_2 a_1^2 r_1 - c_1 a_1^2 r_2 - c_1 a_1 r_2 + a_2 r_1) = 0, \\ & (c_2 r_1 - c_1 r_2) (2 c_2 a_1^2 r_1 - 2 c_1 a_1 r_2 + c_1 a_2 r_1) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

with the common factor  $(c_2 r_1 - c_1 r_2)$ . If this factor is equal to zero (**Case (11.2.2)**), then we can separate the variables and, taking into account that the Jacobian of the change  $(t = a(x) + y; s = x + y)$  does not vanish, we see that both logarithmic derivatives are equal to the

same constant  $m$ . From this we get  $z_1 = \gamma e^{m(a(x)+y)} + \tilde{\gamma}$ ,  $z_2 = \rho e^{m(x+y)} + \tilde{\rho}$ . The pair has the form  $(a(x)y, xy)$ .

Otherwise, (**Case (11.2.3)**), dividing out the common factor and eliminating  $c_2/c_1$  from two linear forms, we get  $a_1^2 a_2 r_1^2 (a_1 - 1) = 0$ . It vanishes only if  $a_2 = 0$ ,  $a_1$  is then the constant  $A$ . In this case  $Ac_2/c_1 = r_2/r_1$ , and  $z_1 = c(Ax + y) = \gamma e^{\frac{m}{A}(Ax+y)}$ ,  $z_2 = r(x + y) = \rho e^{m(x+y)}$ . The pair has the form  $(x^k y, xy)$ .

We see that Cases (11.2.1) and (11.2.3) are subcases of Case (11.2.2). Thus, in **Case (11.2)** the pair has the form  $(a(x)y, xy)$ .

In **Case (11.3)**  $r_2 = 0$ , i.e.  $r(x + y) = \rho(x + y) + \tilde{\rho}$ , where  $\rho \neq 0$ . By replacing  $x$  with  $\rho x + \tilde{\rho}$  and  $y$  with  $\rho y$  we obtain  $r(x + y) = x + y$ . The condition (1) for  $c(a(x) + b(y)) + (x + y)$  has the form

$$\begin{aligned} a_1^3 b_1^2 c_1 c_3 - 2 a_1^3 b_1^2 c_2^2 - a_1^2 b_1^3 c_1 c_3 + 2 a_1^2 b_1^3 c_2^2 - a_1^3 b_2 c_1 c_2 + a_2 b_1^3 c_1 c_2 &= 0, \\ a_1^3 b_1 c_1 c_3 - a_1^3 b_1 c_2^2 - a_1 b_1^3 c_1 c_3 + a_1 b_1^3 c_2^2 - 2 a_1^2 b_2 c_1 c_2 + 2 a_2 b_1^2 c_1 c_2 &= 0, \\ a_1^2 b_1 c_3 - a_1 b_1^2 c_3 - a_1 b_2 c_2 + a_2 b_1 c_2 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

By eliminating  $c_3$  and  $c_2/c_1$ , we get

$$(a_1 - b_1) (a_1^2 b_2 - a_2 b_1^2) = 0.$$

It may vanish only because of the second factor, therefore, separating the variables we get  $a_2/a_1^2 = b_2/b_1^2 = -m$  where  $m$  is a constant. Then

$$a(x) + b(y) = \frac{1}{m} (\ln(mx + \alpha) + \ln(my + \beta) + \ln(n)),$$

and three equations for  $c(t)$  are

$$c_3 = mc_2^2, \quad c_3 c_1 = c_2^2, \quad mc_1 c_2 + c_1 c_3 - 2c_2^2 = 0.$$

Consequently,  $c(t) = \gamma e^{mt} + \tilde{\gamma}$ , and the pair has the form  $(xy, x + y)$ .

**Case (11.4)**

$$a_1^2 b_1 r_2 - a_1^2 b_2 r_1 - a_1 b_1^2 r_2 + a_2 b_1^2 r_1 = 0. \quad (6)$$

From this we get

$$\frac{r_2}{r_1} = \frac{a_1^2 b_2 - a_2 b_1^2}{a_1 b_1 (a_1 - b_1)} \quad (7)$$

(the denominator is not zero). The condition that  $\frac{r_2}{r_1}$  is a function of  $x + y$ , namely the equality of its derivatives with respect to  $x$  and  $y$ , is

$$-a_1^4 b_1 b_3 + a_1^4 b_2^2 + a_1^3 b_1^2 b_3 - 2 a_1^3 b_1 b_2^2 - a_1^2 a_3 b_1^3 + 2 a_1 a_2^2 b_1^3 + a_1 a_3 b_1^4 - a_2^2 b_1^4 = 0 \quad (8)$$

We can decrease the order of equation (8) twice. First, putting  $a_1 = a'(x) = A$ ,  $b_1 = b'(y) = B$ . Second, introducing  $a_2 = a''(x) = P(A)$ ,  $b_2 = b''(y) = Q(B)$ . In this notation we have  $a_3 = a'''(x) = P'(A)P(A)$ ,  $b_3 = b'''(y) = Q'(B)Q(B)$  and we can write (8) as

$$\begin{aligned} -A^4 B \left( \frac{d}{dB} G(B) \right) G(B) + A^4 (G(B))^2 + A^3 B^2 \left( \frac{d}{dB} G(B) \right) G(B) - \\ -2 A^3 B (G(B))^2 - A^2 \left( \frac{d}{dA} F(A) \right) F(A) B^3 + 2 A (F(A))^2 B^3 + \\ + A \left( \frac{d}{dA} F(A) \right) F(A) B^4 - (F(A))^2 B^4 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

After the substitution  $f(A) = \sqrt{F(A)}$ ,  $g(B) = \sqrt{G(B)}$  we previous equation becomes linear

$$\begin{aligned} & -A^4 B \frac{d}{dB} g(B) + 2A^4 g(B) + A^3 B^2 \frac{d}{dB} g(B) - 4A^3 B g(B) - \\ & A^2 B^3 \frac{d}{dA} f(A) + 4A f(A) B^3 + AB^4 \frac{d}{dA} f(A) - 2f(A) B^4 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

From this we find  $\frac{d}{dB} g$  and write the condition of its independence from  $A$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & -A^4 B^2 \frac{d^2}{dA^2} f(A) + 2A^3 B^3 \frac{d^2}{dA^2} f(A) - A^2 B^4 \frac{d^2}{dA^2} f(A) + 6A^3 B^2 \frac{d}{dA} f(A) - 10A^2 B^3 \frac{d}{dA} f(A) + \\ & + 4AB^4 \frac{d}{dA} f(A) + 2A^4 g(B) - 12A^2 B^2 f(A) + 16A f(A) B^3 - 6f(A) B^4 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now we express  $g(B)$  and write the condition of its independence from  $A$ :

$$A^3 \frac{d^3}{dA^3} f(A) - 6A^2 \frac{d^2}{dA^2} f(A) + 18A \frac{d}{dA} f(A) - 24f(A) = 0.$$

By looking for solutions of the form  $f(A) = A^m$ , we get the equation

$$m(m-1)(m-2) - 6m(m-1) + 18m - 24 = (m-2)(m-3)(m-4).$$

Hence, a general solution to (9) is  $f(A) = l_1 A^4 + m_1 A^3 + n_1 A^2$ . By eliminating  $f(A)$  from (9), we obtain  $g(B) = l_2 B^4 + m_2 B^3 + n_2 B^2$ . Substituting these  $f(A)$  and  $g(B)$  in (9), we get  $l_1 = l_2$ ,  $m_1 = m_2$ ,  $n_1 = n_2$ . Finally,  $f(A) = lA^4 + mA^3 + nA^2$ ,  $g(B) = lB^4 + mB^3 + nB^2$ . We see that  $\alpha(x) = a'(x)$  and  $\beta(y) = b'(y)$  satisfy the same differential equation

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dx} = \sqrt{l\alpha^4 + m\alpha^3 + n\alpha^2}, \quad \frac{d\beta}{dy} = \sqrt{l\beta^4 + m\beta^3 + n\beta^2}. \quad (9)$$

Since  $a$  and  $b$  are not linear, we may assume that the constants  $l$ ,  $m$ , and  $n$  are not zeros simultaneously. Thus, if  $l = n = 0$  and  $m \neq 0$  (**Case (11.4.1)**), then

$$\int \frac{dt}{t\sqrt{mt}} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{t}}.$$

Therefore

$$a'(x) = \alpha(x) = \frac{4}{m(x+C)^2}, \quad a(x) = -\frac{4}{m(x+C)} + \tilde{C}, \quad a''(x) = \frac{-8}{m(x+C)^3}.$$

Analogously,

$$b'(x) = \beta(x) = \frac{4}{m(y+D)^2}, \quad b(y) = -\frac{4}{m(y+D)} + \tilde{D}, \quad b''(y) = \frac{-8}{m(y+D)^3}.$$

Now, from (7) we get

$$\frac{r_2}{r_1} = \frac{a_1^2 b_2 - a_2 b_1^2}{a_1 b_1 (a_1 - b_1)},$$

and then we have  $r(t) = -\frac{\rho}{t+C+D}$ . Computing  $c_2/c_1$  from any of (4) and substituting the expression for  $r_2/r_1$ , we get

$$\frac{c_2}{c_1} = \frac{a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1}{a_1 b_1 (a_1 - b_1)}$$

and

$$c(a(x) + b(y)) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x+C} + \frac{1}{y+D}}.$$

Thus, the pair has the form

$$\left( z_1 = \frac{xy}{x+y}, \quad z_2 = \frac{1}{x+y} \right).$$

If  $l \neq 0$  or  $n \neq 0$  (**Case (11.4.2)**), then

$$\int \frac{dt}{t\sqrt{lt^2 + mt + n}} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{lt^2 + n}} \operatorname{arctgh} \left( \frac{\sqrt{lt^2 + mt + n}}{\sqrt{lt^2 + n}} \right),$$

and we get  $a'(x) = \alpha(x)$  and  $b'(y) = \beta(y)$  as inversion of the integrals, and  $a(x)$  and  $b(y)$  by one more integration. As in the previous case, from (7) we get  $r(t)$  and  $c(t)$  from any relation of (4).

Finally, we have the theorem.

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $z_1(x, y)$  and  $z_2(x, y)$  is an  $L$ -pair of complexity one, then this pair up  $\mathcal{G}$ -action has the form*

*For  $N(z_1) = 0$ ,  $N(z_2) = 1$*

*(01.1)  $z_1 = a(x)$ ,  $z_2 = x + y$ ,  $a$  is arbitrary,*

*(01.2)  $z_1 = x$ ,  $z_2 = xy$ ,*

*For  $N(z_1) = N(z_2) = 1$*

*(11.1)  $z_1 = c(x + y)$ ,  $z_2 = r(x + y)$ , where  $c$  and  $r$  are arbitrary,*

*(11.2)  $z_1 = a(x)y$ ,  $z_2 = xy$ ,  $a$  is arbitrary,*

*(11.3)  $z_1 = xy$ ,  $z_2 = x + y$ ,*

*(11.4.1)  $z_1 = \frac{xy}{x+y}$ ,  $z_2 = \frac{1}{x+y}$ ,*

*(11.4.2) In this case there are no explicit expressions for the pair  $z_1 = c(a(x) + b(y))$ ,  $z_2 = r(x + y)$ . The four functions  $(a, b, c, r)$  are constructed as described above. In particular, they can be expressed by quadratures.*

As shown above, all pairs in this list are  $L$ -pairs. In Cases (01.1), (01.2), (11.1), (11.2) it is obvious. In Case (11.3) we can also see it easily:  $z = xy + t(x + y) = (x + t)(y + t) - t^2$ . In Case (11.4.1) it is not that clear. We need to check that

$$z = \frac{xy}{x+y} + t \frac{1}{x+y} = \frac{t+xy}{x+y} \in Cl_1 \text{ for all } t.$$

After the change  $t$  by  $t^2$  we get

$$z = \frac{t^2 + xy}{x+y}.$$

By replacing  $x$  with  $tx$ ,  $y$  with  $ty$ , and  $z$  with  $t/z$ , we get

$$z = \frac{x+y}{1+xy}.$$

Now, we replace  $x$  with  $\operatorname{th}(x)$ ,  $y$  with  $\operatorname{th}(y)$ , and  $z$  with  $\operatorname{th}(z)$  and use the addition formula

$$\operatorname{th}(x+y) = \frac{\operatorname{th}(x) + \operatorname{th}(y)}{1 + \operatorname{th}(x) \operatorname{th}(y)}$$

to get  $z = x + y$ . Since all the transformations here do not change complexity, this proves that the complexity of the original function is 1.

For Case (11.4.2) the author does not know a similar reasoning. The open question is what mysterious relations are behind that fact.

The set of pairs of complexity one is certainly wider than the set of  $L$ -pairs of complexity one. This is another open problem: to describe all pairs of complexity one.

### 3. $O(2)$ -simplicity

The standard action of the  $O(2)$  on the  $(x, y)$ -plane is

$$g_\phi = (x \rightarrow \cos(\phi)x - \sin(\phi)y, \quad y \rightarrow \sin(\phi)x + \cos(\phi)y)$$

where  $\phi \in \mathbf{C}$ . This action induces an action on functions

$$z(x, y) \rightarrow g_\phi(z)(x, y) = z(\cos(\phi)x - \sin(\phi)y, \sin(\phi)x + \cos(\phi)y).$$

Denote  $t = \operatorname{tg}(\phi/2)$ , then we have another form for this action

$$g_t = \left( x \rightarrow \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}x - 2\frac{t}{t^2+1}y, \quad y \rightarrow \frac{1-t^2}{t^2+1}y + 2\frac{t}{1+t^2}x \right).$$

If  $N(z(x, y)) = n$ , then  $N(z(\lambda x, \lambda y)) = n$  also, therefore we can replace  $g_t(x, y)$  with  $h_t(x, y) = (1+t^2)g_t(x, y)$ .

If  $N(z) \leq n$ , then  $N(g_\phi(z)) \leq n+1$ , and for arbitrary  $z$  and  $\phi$  there is no reason to expect that  $N(g_\phi(z)) \leq n$ . For example, let  $z = xy$ , then  $N(z) = 1$ . For  $\delta(h_t(z))$  we have

$$4t(x^2 + y^2)(t-1)(t+1)(t^2 + 2t - 1)(t^2 - 2t - 1)(t^2 + 1)^4.$$

We see that  $N(h_t(xy)) = 1$  only for 9 values of  $t$ , namely  $t = 0, \pm 1, \pm i, \pm 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$ . The corresponding functions are proportional to

$$xy, \quad x^2 - y^2, \quad (x \pm iy)^2.$$

For another values  $t$  the complexity  $N(h_t(xy))$  is equal to two.

**Definition.** A function  $z(x, y)$  is called  $O(2)$ -simple if  $N(g_t(z)) \leq 1$  for all  $t$ .

All linear functions are, of course,  $O(2)$ -simple. Now, we want to describe all  $O(2)$ -simple functions. It is clear that for such functions  $N(z) \leq 1$ , then  $z = c(a(x) + b(y))$ . If one of the functions  $(a, b, c)$  is constant, then  $N(z) = 0$ , and  $z$  depends on only one variable or a constant. Any such function is  $O(2)$ -simple (**Case 0**). Assume that  $N(z) = 1$ , i.e.  $a, b, c$  are not constant.

**Statement 6.** (1)  $z$  is  $O(2)$ -simple if and only if  $\delta(g_t(z)) = 0$  for all  $(x, y, t)$ .  
(2)  $c(a(x) + b(y))$  is  $O(2)$ -simple if and only if  $a(x) + b(y)$  is  $O(2)$ -simple. (3)  $z(x, y)$  is  $O(2)$ -simple if and only if  $z(y, x)$  is  $O(2)$ -simple.

The proof is obvious.

Let  $a(x) + b(y)$  is  $O(2)$ -simple, then, in particular,

$$\frac{d}{dt}\delta(g_t(a(x) + b(y)))|_{t=0} = 0, \quad (10)$$

in index notation for derivatives we have

$$-a_1^2 a_2 b_2 - a_1^2 b_1 b_3 + a_1^2 b_2^2 - a_1 a_3 b_1^2 + a_2^2 b_1^2 - a_2 b_1^2 b_2 = 0. \quad (11)$$

We can decrease the order of equation (11) twice. First, putting  $a_1 = a'(x) = A$ ,  $b_1 = b'(y) = B$ . Second, introducing  $P(A) = a_2 = a''(x)$ ,  $Q(B) = b_2 = b''(y)$ . In this notation we have  $a_3 = a'''(x) = P'(A)P(A)$ ,  $b_3 = b'''(y) = Q'(B)Q(B)$  and we can write (11) as

$$-QA^2P - BQ_1QA^2 + Q^2A^2 - B^2AP_1P + B^2P^2 - B^2QP = 0 \quad (12)$$



By differentiating (12) with respect to  $A$ , we get

$$-2QAP - QA^2P_1 - 2ABQ_1Q + 2Q^2A + B^2P_1P - B^2AP_2P - B^2AP_1^2 - B^2QP = 0. \quad (13)$$

The relations (12) и (13) are a system of linear equations in  $Q(B)$  and  $Q'(B)$ , its determinant is equal to

$$-BPA(A^3P_1 + B^2AP_1 - 2B^2P).$$

This determinant is identically equal to zero only if  $P(A) = 0$  (**Case 1**). The solution to the system for  $Q(B)$  is

$$Q(B) = -\frac{B^2(A^2P_2P + A^2P_1^2 - 3APP_1 + 2P^2)}{A^3P_1 + B^2AP_1 - 2B^2P}.$$

The condition of independence  $Q$  from  $A$  is

$$\begin{aligned} & -A^3P_3PP_1 + A^3P_2^2P - 2A^3P_2P_1^2 - AB^2P_3PP_1 + \\ & + AB^2P_2^2P - 2AB^2P_2P_1^2 + A^2P_2PP_1 + 4A^2P_1^3 + \\ & + 2B^2P_3P^2 + 3B^2P_2PP_1 + 2AP_2P^2 - 10APP_1^2 + 6P^2P_1 = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

which splits into two relations: terms free of  $B$  and terms with the factor  $B^2$ . Eliminating  $P'''(A)$  from them, we get

$$P(AP_1 - 2P)(AP_2P - 2AP_1^2 + 3P_1P)(A^2PP_2 + A^2P_1^2 - 3APP_1 + 2P^2) = 0.$$

The case  $P = 0$  (Case 1) has been considered above. Now we turn to the remaining cases.

$$(AP_1 - 2P) = 0 \text{ (Case 2),}$$

$$(AP_2P - 2AP_1^2 + 3P_1P) = 0 \text{ (Case 3),}$$

$$(A^2PP_2 + A^2P_1^2 - 3APP_1 + 2P^2) = 0 \text{ (Case 4).}$$

The solutions to the corresponding differential equations are

$$P(A) = 0 \text{ (Case 1),}$$

$$P(A) = CA^2 \text{ (Case 2),}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{A^2}{A^2C_1 + C_2} \text{ (Case 3),}$$

$$P(A) = A\sqrt{C_1 \ln(A) + C_2} \text{ (Case 4).}$$

To find  $Q(B)$  corresponding to  $P(A)$ , we substitute these solutions in (13).

In Case 1  $P(A) = 0$ ,  $Q(B) = CB$ .

In Case 2  $P(A) = CA^2$ ,  $Q(B) = -CB^2$ .

In Case 3  $P(A) = A^2/(cA^2 + d)$  and for  $Q(B)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & -A^6BQQ_1c^3 + A^6Q^2c^3 - 3A^4BQQ_1c^2d - A^6Qc^2 - A^4B^2Qc^2 + 3A^4Q^2c^2d - \\ & -3A^2BQQ_1cd^2 + B^2A^4c - 2A^4Qcd - 2A^2B^2Qcd + 3A^2Q^2cd^2 - \\ & -BQQ_1d^3 - A^2B^2d - A^2Qd^2 - B^2Qd^2 + Q^2d^3 = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

which is a polynomial in  $A^2$  and splits into four differential equations of first order on  $Q(B)$  (the coefficients at  $1, A^2, A^4, A^6$ ). These equations yield  $d = 0$ , and  $P(A) = Q(B) = C = \text{const}$ .

In Case 4 we have  $P(A) = A\sqrt{c \ln(A) + d}$  and

$$-2QA^2\sqrt{c \ln(A) + d} - B^2Ac - 2ABQQ_1 - 2B^2Q\sqrt{c \ln(A) + d} + 2AQ^2 = 0.$$

The functions

$$\sqrt{c \ln(A) + d}, \quad A, \quad A^2 \sqrt{c \ln(A) + d}$$

are linearly independent, hence  $Q(B) = 0$  and  $c = 0$ . So the answer in Case 4 coincides with the answer in Case 1 after replacing  $A \rightarrow B$ .

Now we can return to equations in  $a(x)$  and  $b(y)$  and find the answers:

In Case 1:  $P(A) = 0$  means  $a''(x) = 0$  and  $a(x) = \alpha_1 x + \alpha_0$ , then  $Q(B) = CB$  means  $b''(y) = Cb'(y)$  and  $b(y) = \beta_1 e^{Cy} + \beta_0$ . Then we write the  $O(2)$ -simplicity condition  $\delta(g_t(z)) = 0$  for  $a + b$  and see that it holds only for  $\alpha_1 \beta_1 = 0$ . The same goes in Case 4.

In Case 2:  $P(A) = CA^2$  means  $a''(x) = C(a'(x))^2$  and  $a(x) = -\ln(\alpha_1 x + \alpha_0)/C$ , then from  $Q(B) = CB^2$  we get  $b(y) = \ln(\beta_1 y + \beta_0)/C$ . Since

$$a(x) + b(y) = \frac{1}{C} \ln \left( \frac{\beta_1 y + \beta_0}{\alpha_1 x + \alpha_0} \right),$$

it is enough to check the  $O(2)$ -simplicity condition only for

$$z = \frac{\beta_1 y + \beta_0}{\alpha_1 x + \alpha_0}.$$

It is easy to see that the condition  $\delta(g_t(z)) = 0$  holds.

In Case 3:  $P(A) = C$  means  $a''(x) = C$  and  $a(x) = Cx^2 + \alpha_1 x + \alpha_0$ , then from  $Q(B) = C$  we get  $b(y) = Cy^2 + \beta_1 y + \beta_0$ . We see that the  $O(2)$ -simplicity condition for  $a + b$  holds.

Thus, we have the theorem.

**Theorem 7.** *The complete list of  $O(2)$ -simple functions up to transformations (  $z(x, y) \rightarrow f(z(x, y))$  ) and (  $z(x, y) \rightarrow z(y, x)$  ) is*

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \frac{\beta_1 y + \beta_0}{\alpha_1 x + \alpha_0}, \\ z &= (x^2 + y^2) + \alpha x + \beta y, \\ z &= \alpha x + \beta y. \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 8.** *Any  $O(2)$ -simple function is a rational function, up to a transformation (  $z(x, y) \rightarrow f(z(x, y))$  ).*

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## Три семейства функций сложности один

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*В работе описаны некоторые семейства функций двух переменных аналитической сложности единица, обладающие некоторыми редкими свойствами. Во-первых, классифицированы линейные уравнения с постоянными коэффициентами, т.ч. все их аналитические решения имеют сложность не выше единицы (теорема 2). Во-вторых, классифицированы пары аналитических функций, таких что любая их линейная комбинация имеет сложность не выше единицы (теорема 5). В-третьих, дано явное описание функций, т.ч. их орбиты под действием группы  $O(2)$  состоят из функций сложности не выше единицы (теорема 7).*

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