

# On shallow capillary-gravity waves

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# Capillary-gravity waves

Deep water case (for the sake of simplicity)

- Consider the dispersion relation:

$$\omega^2 = k \left( g + \frac{\sigma}{\rho} k^2 \right)$$

$\omega, k$ : wave frequency, wave number

$g, \sigma$ : gravity acceleration, surface tension

- **Gravity wave** regime ( $k \ll 1$ ):

$$\omega^2 = gk$$

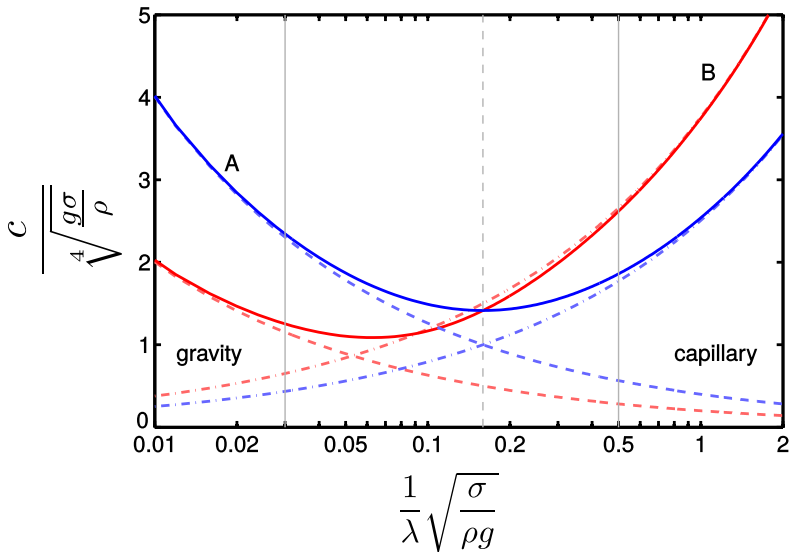
- **Capillary wave** regime ( $k \gg 1$ ):

$$\omega^2 = \frac{\sigma}{\rho} k^3$$

- **Capillary-gravity** regime ( $k \propto 1$ )

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- Phase velocity minimum:

$$\lambda_c = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{\rho g}}$$

- For the **air-water** interface:

$$\lambda_c \approx 1.7 \text{ cm}$$

- In vicinity of  $\lambda_c$  **both effects** have to be taken into account!



# Serre–(Green–Naghdi) equations

## Shallow water equations

### Main constitutive assumptions:

- Free surface is a graph:  $y = \eta(x, t)$
- Long wave (or *equivalently* the water is shallow):

$$\lambda \gg d$$

- Nonlinearity is finite:  $\varepsilon \equiv a/d \propto \mathcal{O}(1)$



### Credits:

- Lord RAYLEIGH (1876) [1] (only *steady* version)
- F. SERRE (1953) [2]
- C. SU & C. GARDNER (1969) [3]
- A. GREEN & P. NAGHDI (1976) [4]
- E. PELINOVSKY & ZHELEZNYAK (1985) [5]



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# Serre's equations with surface tension

## 1D case: the governing equations

- Governing equations (mass conservation ( $\star$ ), momentum ( $\ast$ )):

$$h_t + [h\bar{u}]_x = 0, \quad (\star)$$

$$\bar{u}_t + \bar{u}\bar{u}_x + g h_x + \frac{1}{3} h^{-1} \partial_x [h^2 \tilde{\gamma}] = \tau [h_x (1 + h_x^2)^{-1/2}]_{xx} \quad (\ast)$$

- Vertical acceleration:

$$\tilde{\gamma} \equiv h(\bar{u}_x^2 - \bar{u}_{xt} - \bar{u}\bar{u}_{xx}) = 2h\bar{u}_x^2 - h[\bar{u}_t + \bar{u}\bar{u}_x]_x$$

- quasi-Conservative form:

$$[h\bar{u}]_t + \left[ h\bar{u}^2 + \frac{1}{2}g h^2 + \frac{1}{3}h^2 \tilde{\gamma} - \tau R \right]_x = 0$$

- Surface tension ( $\tau \equiv \frac{\sigma}{\rho}$ ):

$$R = h h_{xx} (1 + h_x^2)^{-3/2} + (1 + h_x^2)^{-1/2},$$

# Serre's equations: the conservation laws

- Momentum conservation:

$$\left[ h\bar{u} - \frac{1}{3}(h^3\bar{u}_x)_x \right]_t + \left[ h\bar{u}^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 - \frac{1}{3}2h^3\bar{u}_x^2 - \frac{1}{3}h^3\bar{u}\bar{u}_{xx} - h^2h_x\bar{u}\bar{u}_x - R \right]_x = 0$$

- Tangential velocity at the free surface:

$$\left[ \bar{u} - \frac{(h^3\bar{u}_x)_x}{3h} \right]_t + \left[ \frac{1}{2}\bar{u}^2 + gh - \frac{1}{2}h^2\bar{u}_x^2 - \frac{\bar{u}(h^3\bar{u}_x)_x}{3h} - \frac{\tau h_{xx}}{(1+h_x^2)^{3/2}} \right]_x = 0$$

- Energy conservation:

$$\left[ \frac{1}{2}h\bar{u}^2 + \frac{1}{6}h^3\bar{u}_x^2 + \frac{1}{2}gh^2 + \tau\sqrt{1+h_x^2} \right]_t + \left[ \left( \frac{1}{2}\bar{u}^2 + \frac{1}{6}h^2\bar{u}_x^2 + gh + \frac{1}{3}h\gamma - \frac{\tau R}{h} \right) h\bar{u} + \tau\bar{u}\sqrt{1+h_x^2} + \frac{\tau h h_x \bar{u}_x}{\sqrt{1+h_x^2}} \right]_x = 0$$



# Serre-CG equations: travelling waves

$$\text{Fr} = c^2/gd, \text{Bo} = \tau/gd^2, \text{We} = \text{Bo} / \text{Fr} = \tau/c^2d$$

- Mass conservation:  $\bar{u} = -cd / h, d = \langle h \rangle = \frac{1}{2\ell} \int_{-\ell}^{\ell} h dx$

- Momentum conservations lead:

$$\frac{\text{Fr} d}{h} + \frac{h^2}{2 d^2} + \frac{\tilde{\gamma} h^2}{3gd^2} - \frac{\text{Bo} h h_{xx}}{(1 + h_x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} - \frac{\text{Bo}}{(1 + h_x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \text{Fr} + \frac{1}{2} - \text{Bo} + K_1$$

- Tangential velocity:

$$\frac{\text{Fr} d^2}{2 h^2} + \frac{h}{d} + \frac{\text{Fr} d^2 h_{xx}}{3 h} - \frac{\text{Fr} d^2 h_x^2}{6 h^2} - \frac{\text{Bo} d h_{xx}}{(1 + h_x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{\text{Fr}}{2} + 1 + \frac{\text{Fr} K_2}{2}$$

$$\tilde{\gamma}/g = \text{Fr} d^3 h_{xx}/h^2 - \text{Fr} d^3 h_x^2/h^3$$

- Integration constants:

$$K_2 = \left\langle \frac{(3 + h_x^2) d^2}{3 h^2} - 1 \right\rangle$$

$$K_1 + \frac{1}{2} + \text{Fr} - \text{Bo} = \left\langle \frac{\text{Fr} d^2}{h^2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\text{Bo} d / h}{(1 + h_x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right\rangle / \left\langle \frac{d}{h} \right\rangle.$$

# Serre-CG equations: travelling waves

Particular emphasis on solitary waves

- Combination of two equations:

$$\frac{\text{Fr} d}{2 h} - \frac{h^2}{2 d^2} - \frac{\text{Fr} d h_x^2}{6 h} - \frac{\text{Bo}}{(1 + h_x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \frac{(\text{Fr} + 2 + \text{Fr} K_2) h}{2 d} = \text{Const}$$

- Consider solitary waves ( $K_1 = K_2 \equiv 0$ ):

$$F(h, h') \equiv \frac{\text{Fr} h'^2}{3} + \frac{2 \text{Bo} h/d}{(1 + h'^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} - \text{Fr} + \frac{(2\text{Fr} + 1 - 2\text{Bo}) h}{d} - \frac{(\text{Fr} + 2) h^2}{d^2} + \frac{h^3}{d^3} = 0$$

- Property (a discrete symmetry):  $h(x) \equiv h(-x)$
- At the crest of a **regular** wave:  $h(0) = d + a$ ,  $h'(0) = 0$   
 $\text{Fr} = 1 + a/d$

# Implicit Ordinary Differential Equations

Some basic notions and theoretical facts [6]

- Consider an implicit ODE (surface  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ ):

$$F(x, y, p) = 0, \quad p := \frac{dy}{dx}.$$

- Coordinates  $(x, y, p)$  live in the 1-jet space:

- Two smooth functions  $y(x)$  and  $z(x)$  belong to the same  $k$ -jet in  $x_0$  if and only if

$$y(x) - z(x) = o(|x - x_0|^k)$$

- Consider the projection map:

$$\pi : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \quad (x, y, p) \mapsto (x, y)$$

Definition:

A point  $(x, y, p) \in \mathcal{M}$  is **regular** if  $\pi$  is a diffeomorphism in this point.

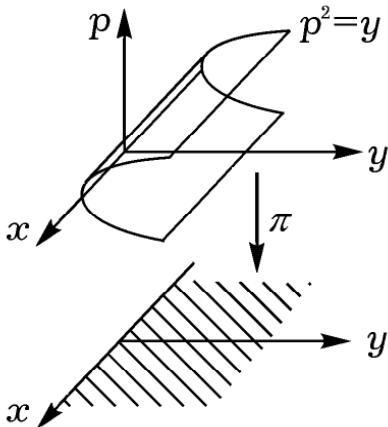
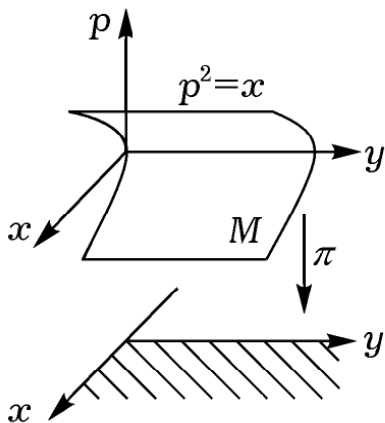
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# Phase portrait of implicit ODEs

The set of critical points

- Criminant and discriminant curves:



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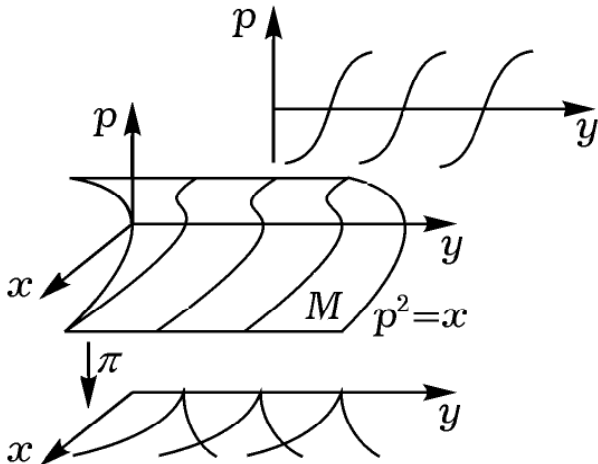
Remarks:

- René THOM found “only” the normal form  $P^2 = X E(X, Y)$
- Yu. A. BRODSKY improved his proof to obtain  $P^2 = X$
- $\implies$  Integral curves are locally diffeomorphic to  $Y = \frac{2}{3} X^{3/2} + C$

# Phase portrait of implicit ODEs - II

Behaviour of integral curves near a regular critical point

- Normal form analysis suggests:





# Phase-space analysis: local behaviour

## Nonlinear autonomous ODE analysis

- Two-parameter  $(Fr, Bo)$  family of real algebraic curves in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

$$F_{Fr, Bo}(h, p) := \frac{Fr}{3} p^2 + 2 \frac{Bo h}{(1 + p^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} +$$
$$- Bo + (2Fr - 2Bo + 1)h - (Fr + 2)h^2 + h^3 = 0$$

- With asymptotic behaviour at  $x \rightarrow \infty$  ( $p := h'$ ):

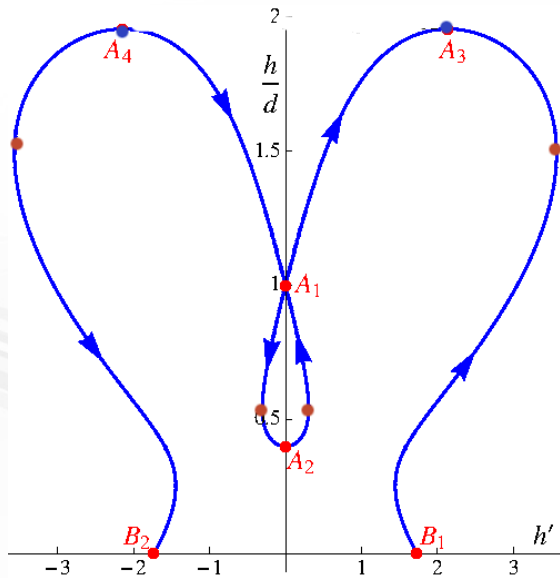
$$h(\infty) = 1, \quad p(\infty) = 0$$

### Typical workflow with a parametrized curve:

- Find multiple points (with horizontal tangent):  $\partial_p F_{Fr, Bo} = 0$
- Find points with vertical tangent:  $\partial_h F_{Fr, Bo} = 0$
- Decompose it into oriented branches ( $p \geq 0$ ,  $h \nearrow \searrow 0$ )
- Study the family of algebraic curves  $F_{Fr, Bo}(h, p) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  with certified topology methods [7]

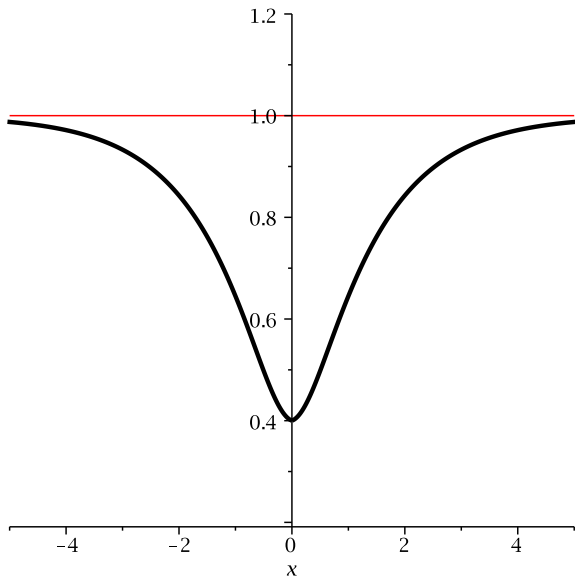
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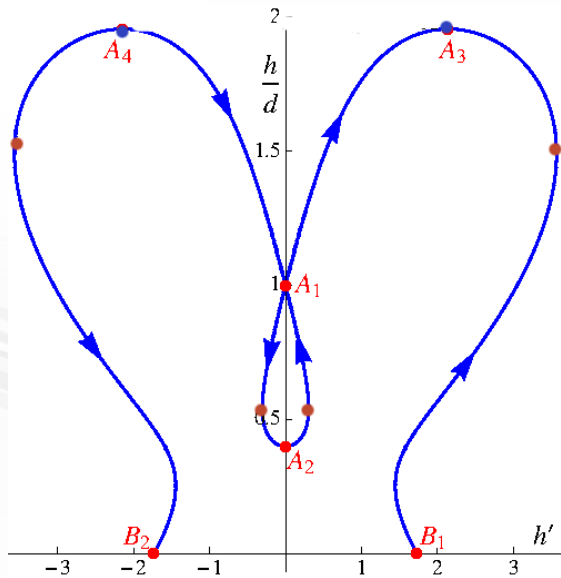
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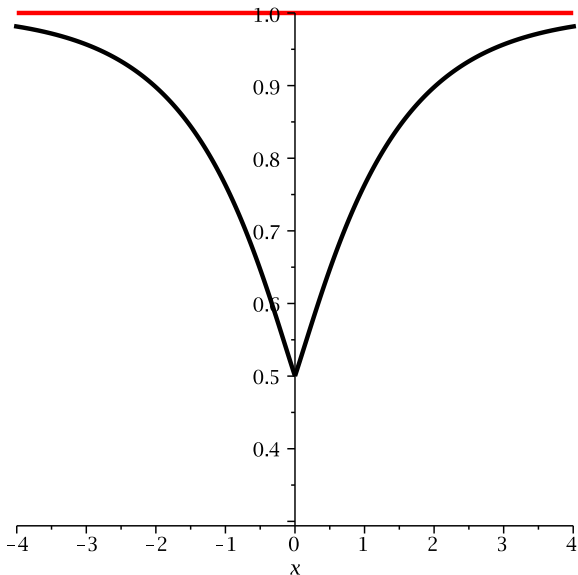
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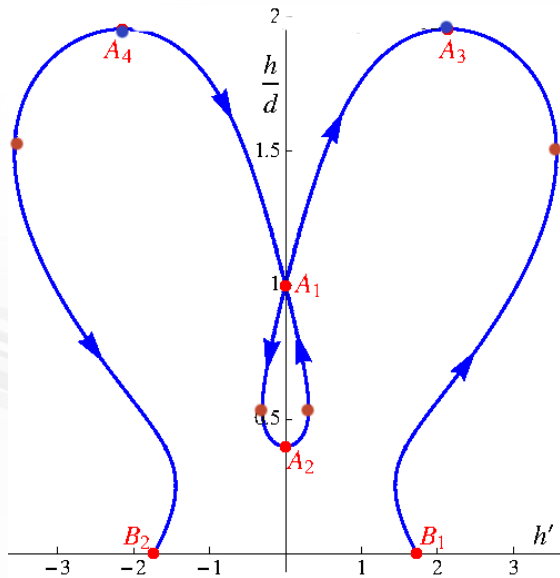
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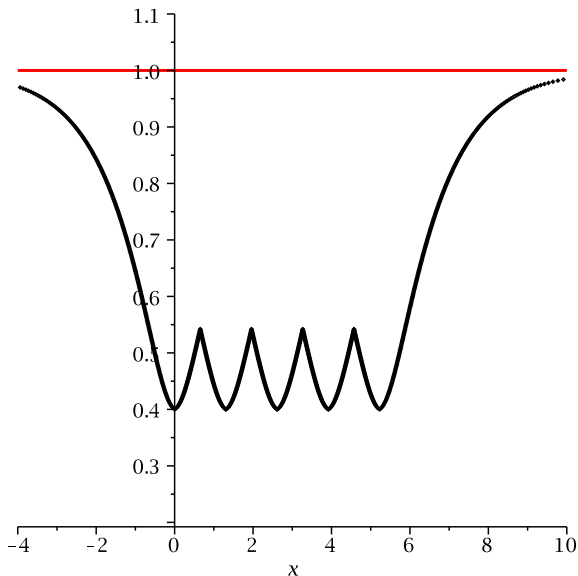
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# Phase space partition for higher order polynomials

## The notion of the resultant of two polynomials

- Consider two polynomials  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ :

$$\deg P = n, \quad \deg Q = m$$

$$P(x) = a_0 x^n + \dots, \quad Q(x) = b_0 x^m + \dots$$

- Resultant of two polynomials is

$$\mathbf{R}(P, Q) := a_0^m b_0^n \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^m (r_i - s_j)$$

where  $r_i$  are zeros of  $P(x)$  and  $s_j$  are zeros of  $Q(x)$ .

- Resultant is the **determinant** of the Sylvester matrix!
- Discriminant of a polynomial equation  $P(x) = 0$  is

$$\mathcal{D}(P) := (-1)^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} \mathbf{R}(P, P')$$



# Some illustrative examples

The concept of the discriminant for polynomials with one variable

- Quadratic polynomials:

$$\mathcal{D}(a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0) = a_1^2 - 4a_2a_0$$

- Cubic polynomials:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0) = & a_1^2a_2^2 - 4a_1^3a_3 - \\ & 4a_0a_2^3 - 27a_0^2a_3^2 + 18a_0a_1a_2a_3 \end{aligned}$$

Discriminant depends on the degree bound!

Reference [8]:

Gelfand, I. M., Kapranov, M. M., & Zelevinsky, A. V. (1994). *Discriminants, resultants and multidimensional determinants* (pp. 516). Boston: Birkhäuser.

# Phase space analysis: global behaviour

## Detection of multiple points

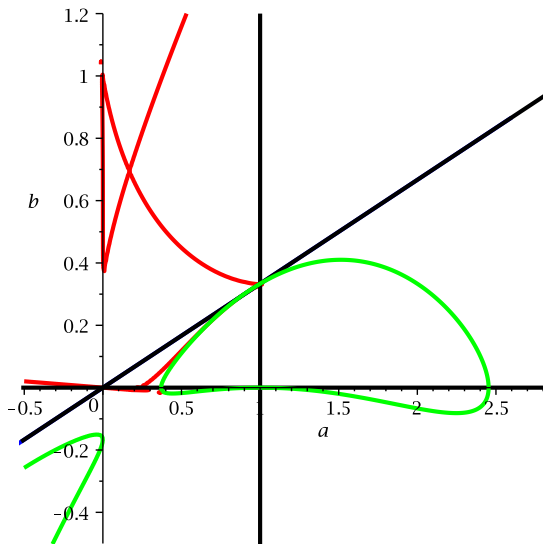
- Points with horizontal tangent satisfy:
  - $F_{\text{Fr}, \text{Bo}}(p, h) = 0$
  - $\partial_p F_{\text{Fr}, \text{Bo}}(p, h) = 0$
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> equation can be solved analytically:
  - $p = 0$
  - $\text{Fr}(p^2 + 1)^3 = 9\text{Bo}^2 h^2$
- To avoid square roots, change of variables:
  - $p^2 = y^2 - 1, y \geq 1$
  - Wave height can be expressed as  $h = \frac{\text{Fr}}{3\text{Bo}} y^3$
- Polynomial equation in  $y$ :

$$f := \text{Fr}^2 y^9 - (3\text{Fr} - 2)\text{Fr} \text{Bo} y^6 + 9\text{Bo}^2(1 + 2\text{Fr} - 2\text{Bo})y^3 + 27\text{Bo}^3 y^2 - 36\text{Bo}^3$$

- Adapted tool to describe the real roots in  $(\text{Fr}, \text{Bo})$  space:  
discriminant locus!  $\mathcal{D} = (\text{Fr} - 3\text{Bo})^2 \times \mathbb{P}_{10}$

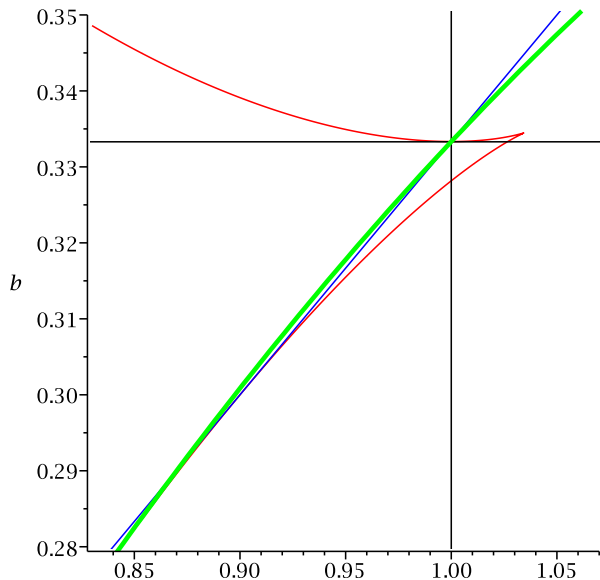
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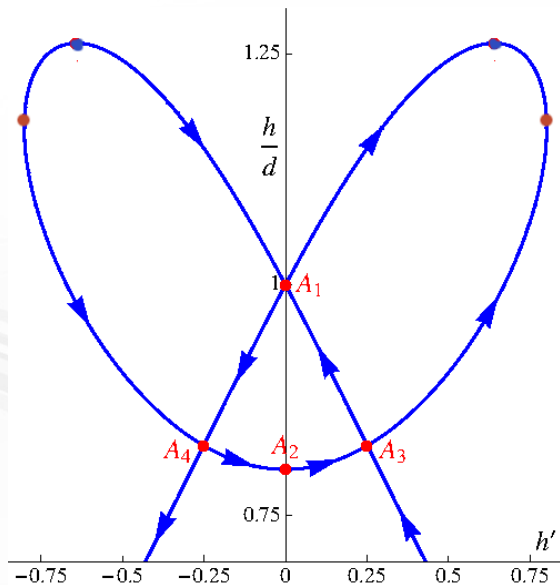
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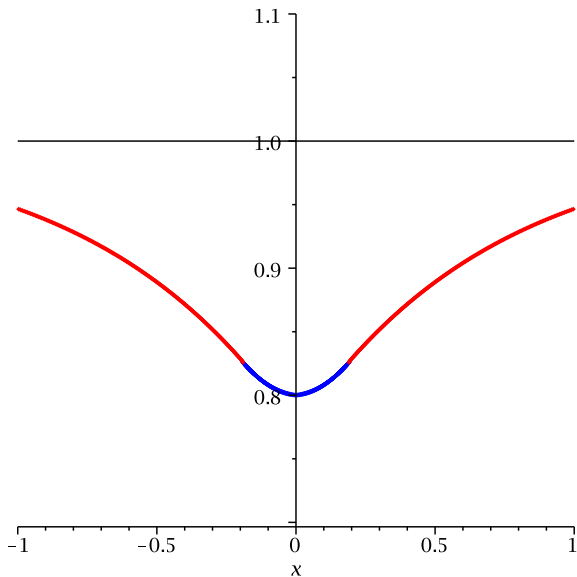
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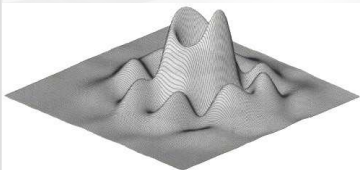
# Conclusions & Perspectives

## Conclusions:

- Capillary-gravity solitary waves were analyzed in [shallow water](#) regime
- Fully nonlinear & weakly dispersive model
  - Phase-space analysis using the methods of the algebraic geometry
- Only two types of regular solitary waves ( $+a$ ,  $-a$ )

## Perspectives:

- Analysis of periodic CG-waves
- Go to 3D !
  - Compute fully nonlinear [lump-solitary](#) waves



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