

Lie Symmetries of (2+1)-dimensional Modified Equal Width Wave Equation

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Abstract

We establish the symmetry reductions of (2+1)- Dimensional Modified Equal Width Wave Equation is subjected to the Lie's classical method. Classification of its symmetry algebra into one- and two-dimensional subalgebras are carried out in order to facilitate its reduction systematically to (1+1)-dimensional PDEs and then to first or second-order ODEs.

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Introduction

A simple model equation is the Korteweg-de Vries (KdV) equation [8]

$$v_t + 6vv_x + \delta v_{xxx} = 0, \quad (1)$$

which describe the long waves in shallow water. Its modified version is,

$$u_t - 6u^2u_x + u_{xxx} = 0 \quad (2)$$

and again there is Miura transformation [7]

$$v = u^2 + u_x, \quad (3)$$

between the KdV equation (1) and its modified version (2).

In 2002, Liu and Yang [6] studied the bifurcation properties of generalized KdV equation (GKdVE)

$$u_t + au^n u_x + u_{xxx} = 0, \quad a \in R, \quad n \in Z^+. \quad (4)$$

Gungor and Winternitz [10] transformed the Generalized Kadomtsev-Petviashvili Equation (GKPE)

$$(u_t + p(t)uu_x + q(t)u_{xxx})_x + \sigma(y, t)u_{yy} + a(y, t)u_y + b(y, t)u_{xy} + c(y, t)u_{xx} + e(y, t)u_x + f(y, t)u + h(y, t) = 0, \quad (5)$$

to its canonical form and established conditions on the coefficient functions under which (5) has an infinite dimensional symmetry group having a Kac-Moody-Virasoro structure.

In [13], they carried out the symmetry analysis of Variable Coefficient Kadomtsev Petviashvili Equation (VCKP) in the form,

$$(u_t + f(x, y, t)uu_x + g(x, y, t)u_{xxx})_x + h(x, y, t)u_y = 0 .$$

Burgers' equation $u_t + uu_x = \gamma u_{xx}$, is the simplest second order NLPDE which balances the effect of nonlinear convection and the linear diffusion. In this chapter, we discuss the symmetry reductions of the (2+1)-dimensional modified Equal Width Wave equation as,

$$u_t + u^3u_x - u_{xxt} - u_{yyt}. \tag{6}$$

Our intention is to show that equation (6) admits a four-dimensional symmetry group and determine the corresponding Lie algebra, classify the one- and two-dimensional subalgebras of the symmetry algebra of (6), in order to reduce (6) to (1+1)-dimensional PDEs and then to ODEs. We shall establish that the symmetry generators form a closed Lie algebra and this allowed us to use the recent method due to Ahmad, Bokhari, Kara and Zaman [11] to successively reduce (6) to (1+1)-dimensional PDEs and ODEs with the help of two-dimensional Abelian and non-Abelian solvable subalgebras. This chapter is organised as follows: First, we determine the symmetry group of (6) and write down the associated Lie algebra. secondly, we consider all one-dimensional subalgebras and obtain the corresponding reductions to (1+1)-dimensional PDEs. Next, we show that the generators form a closed Lie algebra and use this fact to reduce (6) successively to (1+1)- dimensional PDEs and ODEs. Finally, we summarises the conclusions of the present work.

The Symmetry Group and Lie Algebra of modified Equal Width wave equation

If (6) is invariant under a one parameter Lie group of point transformations (Bluman and Kumei [1-3], Olver [4])

$$x^* = x + \epsilon \xi(x, y, t; u) + O(\epsilon^2) , \tag{7}$$

$$y^* = y + \epsilon \eta(x, y, t; u) + O(\epsilon^2) , \tag{8}$$

$$t^* = t + \epsilon \tau(x, y, t; u) + O(\epsilon^2) , \tag{9}$$

$$u^* = u + \epsilon \phi(x, y, t; u) + O(\epsilon^2) . \tag{10}$$

Then the third Prolongation $Pr^3(V)$ of the corresponding vector field

$$V = \xi(x, y, t; u) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \eta(x, y, t; u) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \tau(x, y, t; u) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \phi(x, y, t; u) \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \tag{11}$$

satisfies

$$pr^3(V)\Omega(x, y, t; u)|_{\Omega(x,y,t;u=0} = 0. \tag{12}$$

The determining equations are obtained from (12) and solved for the infinitesimals ξ, η, τ and ϕ . They are as follows

$$\xi = k_1 , \tag{13}$$

$$\eta = k_4 , \tag{14}$$

$$\tau = k_2 - 3k_3t , \tag{15}$$

$$\phi = k_4u . \tag{16}$$

At this stage, we construct the symmetry generators corresponding to each of the constants involved.

Totally there are three generators given by

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= \partial_x , \\ V_2 &= \partial_t , \\ V_3 &= -3t\partial_t + u\partial_u \\ V_4 &= \partial_y \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

The symmetry generators found in Eq.(17) form a closed Lie Algebra whose commutation table is shown below.

Table 1 Commutator Table

$[V_i, V_j]$	V_1	V_2	V_3	V_4
V_1	0	0	0	0
V_2	0	0	$-3V_2$	0
V_3	0	0	0	0
V_4	0	0	0	0

The commutation relations of the Lie algebra, determined by V_1, V_2, V_3 and V_4 are shown in the above table.

For this four-dimensional Lie algebra the commutator table for V_i is a $(4 \otimes 4)$ table whose $(i, j)^{th}$ entry expresses the Lie Bracket $[V_i, V_j]$ given by the above Lie algebra L. The table is skew-symmetric and the diagonal elements all vanish. The coefficient $C_{i,j,k}$ is the coefficient of V_i of the $(i, j)^{th}$ entry of the commutator table. The Lie algebra L is solvable.

In the next section, we derive the reduction of (6) to PDEs with two independent variables and ODEs. These are four one-dimensional Lie subalgebras

$$L_{s,1} = \{V_1\} , L_{s,2} = \{V_2\} , L_{s,3} = \{V_3\} , L_{s,4} = \{V_4\}$$

and corresponding to each one-dimensional subalgebras we may reduce (6) to a PDE with two independent variables.

Further reductions to ODEs are associated with two-dimensional subalgebras. It is evident from the commutator table that there is one two-dimensional solvable non-abelian subalgebras. And there are five two-dimensional Abelian subalgebras, namely,

$$L_{A,1} = \{V_1, V_2\}, L_{A,2} = \{V_1, V_3\} , L_{A,3} = \{V_1, V_4\} L_{A,4} = \{V_2, V_4\} L_{A,5} = \{V_3, V_4\} . \tag{18}$$

Reductions of (2+1)-dimensional Modified Equal Width wave equation by One-Dimensional Subalgebras

Case 1 : $V_1 = \partial_x$.

The characteristic equation associated with this generator is

$$\frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dy}{0} = \frac{dt}{0} = \frac{du}{0} . \quad (19)$$

We integrate the characteristic equation to get three similarity variables,

$$y = r, \quad t = s \quad \text{and} \quad u = W(r, s) . \quad (20)$$

Using these similarity variables in Eq.(6) can be recast in the form

$$W_s - W_{rrs} = 0. \quad (21)$$

Case 2 : $V_2 = \partial_t$.

The characteristic equation associated with this generator is

$$\frac{dx}{0} = \frac{dy}{0} = \frac{dt}{1} = \frac{du}{0} . \quad (22)$$

Following the standard procedure we integrate the characteristic equation to get three similarity variables,

$$x = r, \quad y = s \quad \text{and} \quad u = W(r, s) . \quad (23)$$

Using these similarity variables in Eq.(6) can be recast in the form

$$W^3 W_r = 0. \quad (24)$$

Case 3 : $V_3 = -3t\partial_t + \text{upartial}_u$.

The characteristic equation associated with this generator is

$$\frac{dx}{0} = \frac{dy}{0} = \frac{dt}{-3t} = \frac{du}{u} . \quad (25)$$

Following standard procedure we integrate the characteristic equation to get three similarity variables,

$$x = r, \quad y = s \quad \text{and} \quad u = W^{1/3}(r, s)t^{-1/3} . \quad (26)$$

Using these similarity variables in Eq.(6) can be recast in the form

$$W^{1/3} - W^{1/3}W_r + (2/9)W^{-5/3}(W_r^2 + W_s^2) - (1/3)W^{-2/3}(W_{rr} + W_{ss}) = 0. \quad (27)$$

Case 4 : $V_4 = \partial_y$.

The characteristic equation associated with this generator is

$$\frac{dx}{0} = \frac{dy}{1} = \frac{dt}{0} = \frac{du}{0} . \quad (28)$$

Following standard procedure we integrate the characteristic equation to get three similarity variables,

$$x = r, \quad t = s \quad \text{and} \quad u = W(r, s) . \quad (29)$$

Using these similarity variables in Eq.(6) can be recast in the form

$$W_s + W^3(W_r) - W_{rrs} = 0. \quad (30)$$

Reductions of (2+1)-dimensional modified Equal Width wave equation by Two-Dimensional Abelian Subalgebras

Case I : Reduction under V_1 and V_2 .

From Table 1 we find that the given generators commute $[V_1, V_2] = 0$. Thus either of V_1 or V_2 can be used to start the reduction with. For our purpose we begin reduction with V_1 . Therefore we get Eq.(20) and Eq.(21).

At this stage, we express V_2 in terms of the similarity variables defined in (20). The transformed V_2 is

$$\tilde{V}_2 = \partial_s. \quad (31)$$

The characteristic equation for \tilde{V}_2 is

$$\frac{dr}{0} = \frac{ds}{1} = \frac{dW}{0} .$$

Integrating this equation as before leads to new variables

$$r = \zeta \quad \text{and} \quad W = R(\zeta),$$

which reduce Eq.(21) to

$$-R_\zeta \zeta \zeta + R(\zeta) = 0 . \quad (32)$$

Case II: Reduction under V_1 and V_3 .

From Table 1 we find that the given generators commute $[V_1, V_3] = 0$. Thus either of V_1 or V_3 can be used to start the reduction with. For our convenience we begin reduction with V_3 . At this stage, we express V_1 in terms of the similarity variables defined in Eq.(26). The transformed V_1 is

$$\tilde{V}_1 = \partial_r. \quad (33)$$

The characteristic equation for \tilde{V}_1 is

$$\frac{dr}{1} = \frac{ds}{0} = \frac{dW}{0} .$$

Integrating this equation as before leads to new variables

$$s = \zeta \text{ and } W = R(\zeta) .$$

which reduce Eq.(27) to

$$R(\zeta)^{1/3} + (2/9)R^{-5/3}(R_\zeta)^2 - (1/3)R^{-2/3}(R_{\zeta\zeta}) = 0. \tag{34}$$

Case III : Reduction under V_1 and V_4 .

From Table 1 we find that the given generators commute $[V_1, V_4] = 0$. Thus either of V_1 or V_4 can be used to start the reduction with. For our convenience we begin reduction with V_1 . Therefore we get Eq.(20) and Eq.(21).

At this stage, we express V_1 in terms of the similarity variables defined in Eq.(20). The transformed V_4 is

$$\tilde{V}_4 = \partial_r . \tag{35}$$

The characteristic equation for \tilde{V}_4 is $dr_{\frac{ds}{1} = \frac{dW}{0}}$. Integrating this equation as before leads to new variables

$$s = \zeta \text{ and } W = R(\zeta) .$$

which reduce Eq.(21) to

$$R(\zeta) = 0 . \tag{36}$$

Case IV : Reduction under V_2 and V_4 .

From Table 1 we find that the given generators commute $[V_2, V_4] = 0$. Thus either of V_2 or V_4 can be used to start the reduction with. For our convenience we begin reduction with V_2 . Therefore we get Eq.(23) and Eq.(24).

At this stage, we express V_4 in terms of the similarity variables defined in Eq.(23). The transformed V_4 is

$$\tilde{V}_4 = \partial_s . \tag{37}$$

The characteristic equation for \tilde{V}_4 is $dr_{\frac{ds}{0} = \frac{dW}{1}}$. Integrating this equation as before leads to new variables

$$r = \zeta \text{ and } W = R(\zeta) .$$

which reduce Eq.(24) to

$$R^3 R(\zeta) = 0 . \tag{38}$$

Case V : Reduction under V_3 and V_4 .

From Table 1 we find that the given generators commute $[V_3, V_4] = 0$. Thus either of V_3 or V_4 can be used to start the reduction with. For our convenience we begin reduction with V_3 .

Therefore we get Eq.(26) and Eq.(27).

At this stage, we express V_4 in terms of the similarity variables defined in Eq.(26). The transformed V_4 is

$$\tilde{V}_4 = \partial_s . \quad (39)$$

The characteristic equation for \tilde{V}_4 is $dr_{0=\frac{ds}{1}=\frac{dW}{0}}$. Integrating this equation as before leads to new variables

$$r = \zeta \quad \text{and} \quad W = R(\zeta) .$$

which reduce Eq.(27) to

$$R^{1/3} - R^{1/3}R(\zeta) + (2/9)R^{-5/3}R(\zeta)^2 - (1/3)R^{-2/3}R(\zeta) = 0 . \quad (40)$$

Conclusions:

In this chapter, A $(2+1)$ -dimensional Modified Equal width wave equation, $u_t + u^2u_x - (u_{xxt} + u_{yyt}) = 0$ is subjected to Lie's classical method. Equation (6) admits a three-dimensional symmetry group. It is established that the symmetry generators form a closed Lie algebra. Classification of symmetry algebra of (6) into one- and two-dimensional subalgebras is carried out. Systematic reduction to $(1+1)$ -dimensional PDE and then to first order ODEs are performed using one-dimensional and two-dimensional solvable Abelian subalgebras.

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