# Differential Invariants and First Integrals of the System of Two Linear Second-Order Ordinary Differential Equations 

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#### Abstract

In a recent paper the basis of algebraic invariants of the system of two linear second-order ordinary differential equations has been found. Now we obtain the differential invariants for this family of equations, which depend on the first-order derivatives. It is shown that the first integrals of such systems can be sought as the functions of the algebraic and differential invariants of a given system. Differential invariants can be useful also in constructing the transformation connecting two equivalent systems when their algebraic invariants are constant.


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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Systems of linear second-order ordinary differential equations (ODEs) have attracted a considerable interest since they find many applications in mechanics,
physics, chemistry. A lot of papers have been devoted to the group classification of such systems [1]-[7], their equivalence $[8,9]$, the dimension of an admitted Lie algebra $[6,7,10]-[13]$. The most studied is the case of the system of two linear equations of the second order

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
x^{\prime \prime}=p_{1}(t) x^{\prime}+q_{1}(t) y^{\prime}+l_{1}(t) x+m_{1}(t) y  \tag{1.1}\\
y^{\prime \prime}=p_{2}(t) y^{\prime}+q_{2}(t) x^{\prime}+l_{2}(t) y+m_{2}(t) x
\end{array}\right.
$$

This family of equations is closed with respect to a point change of variables

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{t}=\theta(t), \quad \tilde{x}=\phi_{11}(t) x+\phi_{12}(t) y, \quad \tilde{y}=\phi_{21}(t) x+\phi_{22}(t) y, \quad \operatorname{det}\left\|\phi_{i j}(t)\right\| \neq 0 \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Note that linear systems often have a nonlinear appearance in applications due to an unconvenient choice of the coordinates. One can linearize them using, for example, approaches of [14],[15]. In order to obtain the simplest form which is possible for a given system, one can use the invariants of linear systems. In [9] the equivalence problem has been solved for system (1.1) with respect to the transformations (1.2), which form the group $E$ of the equivalence transformations of system (1.1). As (absolute) invariants of system (1.1) we name the invariants of the group $E$. As relative invariants of system (1.1) we name the invariants of a subgroup of $E$. If an invariant $I$ is a function of the variables $t, x, y$ only, then we name it an algebraic one. If an invariant depends on $t, x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$, we name it a differential one. Differential invariants which depend on the derivatives of $x, y$ of higher order are not considered, because the derivatives of higher order can be replaced by virtue of the system (1.1).

In [9] it has been found that system (1.1) can possess the algebraic invariants of two kinds. Namely, infinitely many invariants $I_{j}(t), j \geq 1$, which depend on the variable $t$ only, and an invariant $I_{0}(t, x, y)$ having the form of ratio of two homogeneous polynomials in $x, y$ with the coefficients depending on $t$. In this set of the invariants there exists the finite basis. Arbitrary invariant $I(t)$ can be obtained from the basis invariants by algebraic operations and applying the operator $\mathcal{D}$ of invariant differentiation. The operator $\mathcal{D}$ is found from the condition that if $I_{j}(t)$ is an invariant of the system (1.1), then $\mathcal{D} I_{j}$ is its invariant too. Algebraic invariants of the form $I_{j}(t), j \geq 1$ obtained in [9] in generic case of the system (1.1) coincide with the invariants constructed in [8]. Note that the invariants, which depend on $x$, $y$, have not been studied in [8]. Also the degenerate cases of system (1.1) have not been considered there. They were considered in detail in [9]. Differential invariants of system (1.1) have not been studied up to now.

In [9] it is shown how one can use the algebraic invariants in solving the equivalence problem. If two given systems (1.1) and

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\tilde{x}^{\prime \prime}=\tilde{p}_{1}(\tilde{t}) \tilde{x}^{\prime}+\tilde{q}_{1}(\tilde{t}) \tilde{y}^{\prime}+\tilde{l}_{1}(\tilde{t}) \tilde{x}+\tilde{m}_{1}(\tilde{t}) \tilde{y}  \tag{1.3}\\
\tilde{y}^{\prime \prime}=\tilde{p}_{2}(\tilde{t}) \tilde{y}^{\prime}+\tilde{q}_{2}(\tilde{t}) \tilde{x}^{\prime}+\tilde{l}_{2}(\tilde{t}) \tilde{y}+\tilde{m}_{2}(\tilde{t}) \tilde{x}
\end{array}\right.
$$

are equivalent, then all their invariants coincide:

$$
\begin{equation*}
I_{0}(t, x, y)=\tilde{I}_{0}(\tilde{t}, \tilde{x}, \tilde{y}), \quad I_{1}(t)=\tilde{I}_{1}(\tilde{t}), \quad I_{2}(t)=\tilde{I}_{2}(\tilde{t}), \quad I_{3}(t)=\tilde{I}_{3}(\tilde{t}) \tag{1.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $I_{0}, I_{j}, j \geq 1$ are the invariants of system (1.1) and $\tilde{I}_{0}, \tilde{I}_{j}, j \geq 1$ are the invariants of system (1.3). This means that the system of algebraic equalities (1.4)
is consistent. Then the transformation (1.2) connecting two equivalent systems (1.1) and (1.3) can be found with the use of the relations (1.4). However, the equalities (1.4) turn out to be useless when all algebraic invariants of the systems (1.1), (1.3) are constant.

In a recent paper [16] the scalar second-order ODE with the cubic nonlinearity in the first-order derivative is considered. It is proposed there to construct the differential invariants in addition to algebraic ones. Then (1.4) can be supplemented by the equalities with the differential invariants. They allow one to find the change of variables in the case of constant algebraic invariants.

So, in Section 2 of the present paper using Lie's infinitesimal method $[17,18]$ we obtain the basis of algebraic and differential invariants of system (1.1) and the operators of invariant differentiation as well. Differential invariants $J_{i}\left(t, x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right)$, $i=1,2$ have the form of ratio of two homogeneous polynomials in $x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$ with the coefficients depending on $t$. Furthermore, one of the invariant differentiation operators, $\mathcal{D}_{0}$, up to a multiplier coincides with the operator

$$
\begin{equation*}
D_{0}=\partial_{t}+x^{\prime} \partial_{x}+y^{\prime} \partial_{y}+\left(p_{1} x^{\prime}+q_{1} y^{\prime}+l_{1} x+m_{1} y\right) \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\left(p_{2} y^{\prime}+q_{2} x^{\prime}+l_{2} y+m_{2} x\right) \partial_{y} \tag{1.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

of total differentiation by virtue of system (1.1).
For the invariants $I_{0}(t, x, y), J_{i}\left(t, x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right), i=1,2$ we show that the derived invariants $\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{0}, \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{1}, \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{2}$ are the functions of the invariants $I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}$ and the algebraic invariants $I_{j}(t), \mathcal{D}_{0} I_{j}, j \geq 1$. In Section 3 we suggest to find the first integral of the system (1.1) $F\left(t, x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right)=C$ as a function of algebraic and differential invariants. Thus, we have either $F=F\left(I_{a}, I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}\right)$, where $I_{a}(t)$ is a nonconstant algebraic invariant of the system (1.1), or $F=F\left(I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}\right)$ when all invariants $I_{j}, j \geq 1$ are constant. This approach allows one to obtain some first integrals of the system (1.1).

In Section 4 example of apllication of the differential invariants in constructing the first integrals of linear systems is given. Also we provide the examples of finding the equivalent cases in the group classification results [1]-[5] when all algebraic invariants of the systems considered are constant. Concluding remarks are presented in Section 5.

## 2. DIFFERENTIAL AND ALGEBRAIC INVARIANTS OF LINEAR SYSTEM

Here we use the following notation from [9] for the relative invariants of system (1.1) of the first order
$\alpha_{0}=\frac{1}{4}\left(p_{1}^{\prime}-p_{2}^{\prime}\right)+\frac{1}{2}\left(l_{2}-l_{1}\right)+\frac{1}{8}\left(p_{2}^{2}-p_{1}^{2}\right), \quad \alpha_{j}=\frac{1}{2} q_{j}^{\prime}-m_{j}-\frac{1}{4}\left(p_{1}+p_{2}\right) q_{j}, \quad j=1,2$,
the second order

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\beta_{0}=\alpha_{0}^{\prime}+\frac{1}{2}\left(q_{2} \alpha_{1}-q_{1} \alpha_{2}\right), \\
\beta_{1}=\alpha_{1}^{\prime}+q_{1} \alpha_{0}+\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{2}-p_{1}\right) \alpha_{1}, \\
\beta_{2}=\alpha_{2}^{\prime}-q_{2} \alpha_{0}+\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{1}-p_{2}\right) \alpha_{2},
\end{array}\right.
$$

the third order

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\gamma_{0}=\beta_{0}^{\prime}+\frac{1}{2}\left(q_{2} \beta_{1}-q_{1} \beta_{2}\right)-2 \delta \alpha_{0}, \\
\gamma_{1}=\beta_{1}^{\prime}+q_{1} \beta_{0}+\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{2}-p_{1}\right) \beta_{1}-2 \delta \alpha_{1}, \\
\gamma_{2}=\beta_{2}^{\prime}-q_{2} \beta_{0}+\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{1}-p_{2}\right) \beta_{2}-2 \delta \alpha_{2},
\end{array}\right.
$$

where $\delta=\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{1}^{\prime}+p_{2}^{\prime}-q_{1} q_{2}\right)-l_{1}-l_{2}-\frac{1}{4}\left(p_{1}^{2}+p_{2}^{2}\right)$, the fourth order

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\varepsilon_{0}=\gamma_{0}^{\prime}+\frac{1}{2}\left(q_{2} \gamma_{1}-q_{1} \gamma_{2}\right)-5 \delta \beta_{0}, \\
\varepsilon_{1}=\gamma_{1}^{\prime}+q_{1} \gamma_{0}+\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{2}-p_{1}\right) \gamma_{1}-5 \delta \beta_{1}, \\
\varepsilon_{2}=\gamma_{2}^{\prime}-q_{2} \gamma_{0}+\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{1}-p_{2}\right) \gamma_{2}-5 \delta \beta_{2},
\end{array}\right.
$$

and their combinations

$$
\begin{gathered}
B_{0}=\alpha_{1} \beta_{2}-\alpha_{2} \beta_{1}, \quad B_{1}=\alpha_{2} \beta_{0}-\alpha_{0} \beta_{2}, \quad B_{2}=\alpha_{0} \beta_{1}-\alpha_{1} \beta_{0}, \\
G_{0}=\alpha_{1} \gamma_{2}+\alpha_{2} \gamma_{1}-\frac{5}{2} \beta_{1} \beta_{2}, \quad \Gamma_{k}=\alpha_{k} \gamma_{k}-\frac{5}{4} \beta_{k}^{2}, \quad k=0,1,2, \\
G_{1}=\alpha_{2} \gamma_{0}+\alpha_{0} \gamma_{2}-\frac{5}{2} \beta_{0} \beta_{2}, \quad e_{1}=\alpha_{2} \varepsilon_{0}-\alpha_{0} \varepsilon_{2}+\frac{9}{2}\left(\beta_{0} \gamma_{2}-\beta_{2} \gamma_{0}\right), \\
i_{0}=\alpha_{0}^{2}+\alpha_{1} \alpha_{2}, \quad j_{4}=y^{2} \alpha_{1}+2 x y \alpha_{0}-x^{2} \alpha_{2}, \quad j_{5}=y^{2} B_{2}+x y B_{0}-x^{2} B_{1}, \\
i_{1}=B_{0}^{2}+4 B_{1} B_{2}, \quad i_{2}=2 \Gamma_{0}+G_{0}, \quad i_{3}=B_{0} \gamma_{0}+B_{1} \gamma_{1}+B_{2} \gamma_{2}, \\
E_{2}=\alpha_{2}^{2} \varepsilon_{2}-\frac{9}{2} \alpha_{2} \beta_{2} \gamma_{2}+\frac{15}{4} \beta_{2}^{3}, \quad K=\alpha_{2} G_{1}-2 \alpha_{0} \Gamma_{2}, \quad j_{0}=x \alpha_{2}-y \alpha_{0}, \\
k_{0}=K+3 y B_{1}^{2} j_{0}^{-1}, \quad k_{1}=\frac{1}{3} K^{2}+B_{1}^{2} \Gamma_{2}, \quad k_{2}=\alpha_{2}^{2} e_{1}-3 B_{1} \Gamma_{2} .
\end{gathered}
$$

We use also the relative invariants which depend on $x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\delta_{1}=x^{\prime}-\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{1} x+q_{1} y\right)  \tag{2.1}\\
\delta_{2}=y^{\prime}-\frac{1}{2}\left(p_{2} y+q_{2} x\right)
\end{array}\right.
$$

their combinations

$$
\begin{aligned}
& j_{1}=\alpha_{2} \delta_{1}-\alpha_{0} \delta_{2}+\frac{\beta_{2} j_{0}}{4 \alpha_{2}}-\frac{y B_{1}}{2 \alpha_{2}}, \quad j_{2}=y \delta_{1}-x \delta_{2} \\
& j_{3}=\left(\alpha_{0} y-\alpha_{2} x\right) \delta_{1}+\left(\alpha_{0} x+\alpha_{1} y\right) \delta_{2}+\frac{i_{0}^{\prime} j_{4}}{8 i_{0}}
\end{aligned}
$$

and the auxiliary operators (1.5) and

$$
\begin{aligned}
& D_{1}=x \partial_{x}+y \partial_{y}+x^{\prime} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+y^{\prime} \partial_{y^{\prime}}, \quad D_{3}=x \partial_{x^{\prime}}+y \partial_{y^{\prime}}, \quad D_{4}=\alpha_{0} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\alpha_{2} \partial_{y^{\prime}}, \\
& D_{2}=\alpha_{0} j_{0}\left(\partial_{x}+\frac{p_{1}}{2} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\frac{q_{2}}{2} \partial_{y^{\prime}}\right)+\alpha_{2} j_{0}\left(\partial_{y}+\frac{q_{1}}{2} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\frac{p_{2}}{2} \partial_{y^{\prime}}\right)+\left(\alpha_{2} \delta_{1}-\alpha_{0} \delta_{2}\right) D_{4} .
\end{aligned}
$$

The theorem below describes the invariants of the system (1.1) which depend on $t, x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$. Note that the algebraic invariant $I_{0}(t, x, y)$ and the differential invariants $J_{k}\left(t, x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right), k=1,2$, for system (1.1) of the first and the second type are independent with respect to $x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$. This means that the condition

$$
\operatorname{rank}\left\|\frac{\partial\left(I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}\right)}{\partial\left(x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right)}\right\|=3
$$

hold. But the invariants $J_{1}, J_{2}$ can be obtained by applying the operator $\mathcal{D}_{0}$ to the invariant $I_{0}$ (see (2.5), (2.9)). So, the invariants $J_{1}, J_{2}$ are not included to the basis and they are given as additional ones. Similarly, the invariant $J_{1}$ of system (1.1) of the third type can be obtained from $J_{2}$ (see (2.13)) and it is not included to the basis.

Theorem 1. Every system (1.1) of two linear second-order ODEs belongs to one of five types of linear systems. For each type of the system the basis of algebraic and differential invariants, the operators $\mathcal{D}_{0}, \ldots, \mathcal{D}_{4}$ of invariant differentiation and additional independent invariants are defined by the following formulas:
(I) Systems of the first type $\left(i_{0} \neq 0\right)$ have four basis invariants

$$
\begin{gathered}
I_{0}=j_{5} j_{4}^{-1} i_{0}^{-3 / 4}, \quad I_{1}=i_{1} i_{0}^{-5 / 2}, \quad I_{2}=i_{2} i_{0}^{-3 / 2}, \quad I_{3}=i_{3} i_{0}^{-9 / 4}, \\
\mathcal{D}_{0}=i_{0}^{-1 / 4} D_{0}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{1}=D_{1}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{4}=i_{0}^{-1 / 4}\left[\left(\alpha_{0} x+\alpha_{1} y\right) \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\left(\alpha_{2} x-\alpha_{0} y\right) \partial_{y^{\prime}}\right] \\
\mathcal{D}_{2}=i_{0}^{-1 / 2}\left[\left(\alpha_{0} x+\alpha_{1} y\right)\left(\partial_{x}+\frac{p_{1}}{2} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\frac{q_{2}}{2} \partial_{y^{\prime}}\right)\right. \\
+\left(\alpha_{2} x-\alpha_{0} y\right)\left(\partial_{y}+\frac{q_{1}}{2} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\frac{p_{2}}{2} \partial_{y^{\prime}}\right) \\
\left.+\left(\alpha_{0} \delta_{1}+\alpha_{1} \delta_{2}\right) \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\left(\alpha_{2} \delta_{1}-\alpha_{0} \delta_{2}\right) \partial_{y^{\prime}}\right],
\end{gathered}
$$

additional invariants are

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
J_{1}=j_{3} j_{4}^{-1} i_{0}^{-1 / 4},  \tag{2.4}\\
J_{2}=j_{2} j_{4}^{-1} i_{0}^{1 / 4}
\end{array}\right.
$$

Nontrivial action of operators (2.3) on $I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}$ is given by

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\mathcal{D}_{0} J_{1}=\frac{1}{8} I_{2}-\frac{9}{64} I_{1}-I_{0} J_{2}-J_{2}^{2}-J_{1}^{2}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{2}=-1-\left(J_{0}+2 J_{1}\right) J_{2}, \\
\mathcal{D}_{2} I_{0}=-2 J_{0}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{3} J_{1}=1, \quad \mathcal{D}_{4} J_{2}=1, \\
\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{0}=J_{0}\left(2 \frac{I_{3}}{I_{1}}-I_{0}-2 J_{2}\right)+\frac{I_{0}}{2 I_{1}} \mathcal{D}_{0} I_{1}, \quad \text { if } \quad I_{1} \neq 0, \\
\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{0}=\kappa I_{0}\left(M-I_{0}-2 J_{2}\right), \quad \text { if } \quad I_{1}=0, \quad \alpha_{2} \neq 0, \quad B_{1} \neq 0,  \tag{2.5}\\
\text { where } J_{0}^{2}=I_{0}^{2}+\frac{1}{4}, M=i_{0}^{-3 / 4}\left(\frac{i_{0} \Gamma_{2}}{\alpha_{2} B_{1}}-\frac{\alpha_{2} i_{2}}{2 B_{1}}+\frac{5 B_{1}}{4 \alpha_{2}}\right), \kappa=\frac{\alpha_{2} B_{0}-2 \alpha_{0} B_{1}}{2 \sqrt{i_{0}} B_{1}} .
\end{array}
$$

(II) Systems of the second type $\left(i_{0}=0, \alpha_{2} \neq 0, B_{1} \neq 0\right)$ have three basis invariants

$$
\begin{array}{r}
I_{0}=k_{0} \alpha_{2}^{-2 / 3} B_{1}^{-4 / 3}, \quad I_{1}=k_{1} \alpha_{2}^{-4 / 3} B_{1}^{-8 / 3}, \\
\mathcal{D}_{0}=\alpha_{2}^{1 / 3} B_{1}^{-1 / 3} D_{0}, \quad I_{2}=k_{2} \alpha_{2}^{-4 / 3} B_{1}^{-5 / 3}, D_{1}, \\
\mathcal{D}_{2}=\alpha_{2}^{-1 / 3} B_{1}^{-2 / 3} D_{2},  \tag{2.7}\\
\mathcal{D}_{3}=\alpha_{2}^{-1 / 3} B_{1}^{1 / 3} D_{3}, \\
\mathcal{D}_{4}=j_{0} \alpha_{2}^{-2 / 3} B_{1}^{-1 / 3} D_{4},
\end{array}
$$

additional invariants are

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
J_{1}=j_{1} j_{0}^{-1} \alpha_{2}^{1 / 3} B_{1}^{-1 / 3},  \tag{2.8}\\
J_{2}=j_{2} j_{0}^{-2} \alpha_{2}^{2 / 3} B_{1}^{1 / 3}
\end{array}\right.
$$

Nontrivial action of operators (2.7) on $I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}$ is given by

$$
\begin{align*}
& \mathcal{D}_{0} I_{0}=I_{2}-5 I_{1}+\frac{1}{3} I_{0}^{2}-3 J_{2}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{2} I_{0}=3, \\
& \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{1}=\frac{1}{4} I_{1}-\frac{1}{12} I_{0}^{2}-\frac{1}{3} I_{0} J_{1}+\frac{3}{2} J_{2}-J_{1}^{2}, \\
& \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{2}=1+\frac{1}{3} I_{0} J_{2}-2 J_{1} J_{2},  \tag{2.9}\\
& \mathcal{D}_{2} J_{1}=-\frac{1}{2}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{3} J_{1}=1, \quad \mathcal{D}_{4} J_{2}=-1
\end{align*}
$$

(III) Systems of the third type ( $i_{0}=0, \alpha_{2} \neq 0, B_{1}=0, \Gamma_{2} \neq 0$ ) have two basis invariants

$$
\begin{gather*}
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
I_{1}=E_{2} \Gamma_{2}^{-3 / 2}, \\
J_{2}=j_{2} j_{0}^{-2} \sqrt{\Gamma_{2}},
\end{array}\right.  \tag{2.10}\\
\mathcal{D}_{0}=\alpha_{2} \Gamma_{2}^{-1 / 2} D_{0}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{1}=D_{1}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{2}=\alpha_{2} \Gamma_{2}^{-1} D_{2},  \tag{2.11}\\
\mathcal{D}_{3}=\alpha_{2}^{-1} \sqrt{\Gamma_{2}} D_{3}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{4}=j_{0} \Gamma_{2}^{-1 / 2} D_{4},
\end{gather*}
$$

additional invariant is

$$
\begin{equation*}
J_{1}=j_{1} j_{0}^{-1} \alpha_{2} \Gamma_{2}^{-1 / 2} \tag{2.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Nontrivial action of operators (2.11) on $J_{1}, J_{2}$ is given by

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\mathcal{D}_{0} J_{1}=\frac{1}{4}-\frac{1}{2} I_{1} J_{1}-J_{1}^{2}, & \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{2}=1+\frac{1}{2} I_{1} J_{2}-2 J_{1} J_{2},  \tag{2.13}\\
\mathcal{D}_{3} J_{1}=1, & \mathcal{D}_{4} J_{2}=-1
\end{array}
$$

(IV) Systems of the fourth type ( $i_{0}=0, \alpha_{2} \neq 0, B_{1}=0, \Gamma_{2}=0$ ) have one basis invariant

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
J_{1}=\alpha_{2} j_{1} j_{2} j_{0}^{-3}, & \\
\mathcal{D}_{0}=j_{0} j_{1}^{-1} D_{0}, & \mathcal{D}_{1}=D_{1}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{2}=j_{0}^{2} \alpha_{2}^{-1} j_{1}^{-2} D_{2}, \\
\mathcal{D}_{3}=j_{1} j_{0}^{-1} D_{3}, & \mathcal{D}_{4}=j_{0}^{2} \alpha_{2}^{-1} j_{1}^{-1} D_{4} \tag{2.15}
\end{array}
$$

Nontrivial action of operators (2.15) on $J_{1}$ is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{D}_{0} J_{1}=1-3 J_{1}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{3} J_{1}=J_{1}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{4} J_{1}=-1 \tag{2.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

(V) Systems of the fifth type ( $\alpha_{0}=0, \alpha_{1}=0, \alpha_{2}=0$ ) are equivalent to the simplest system $x^{\prime \prime}=0, y^{\prime \prime}=0$.

The proof of this statement is given in Appendix.
Remark. In items (I)-(IV) of Theorem 1 the systems with $\alpha_{2} \neq 0$ are considered. Systems with $\alpha_{2}=0, \alpha_{1} \neq 0$ are reduced to this case by a simple transformation

$$
\tilde{t}=t, \quad \tilde{x}=y, \quad \tilde{y}=x,
$$

while the transformation

$$
\tilde{t}=t, \quad \tilde{x}=\frac{1}{2}(x+y), \quad \tilde{y}=\frac{1}{2}(x-y)
$$

reduces similarly the systems with $\alpha_{2}=0, \alpha_{1}=0, \alpha_{0} \neq 0$. So, we need not consider the cases $\alpha_{2}=0, \alpha_{1} \neq 0$ and $\alpha_{2}=0, \alpha_{1}=0, \alpha_{0} \neq 0$ separately.

## 3. FIRST INTEGRALS OF LINEAR SYSTEM

System of two second-order ODEs possesses four independent first integrals

$$
F_{i}\left(t, x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right)=C_{i}, \quad C_{i}=\text { const }, \quad i=1,2,3,4 .
$$

Any linear system (1.1) admits Lie symmetry generator $X_{0}=x \partial_{x}+y \partial_{y}+x^{\prime} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+$ $y^{\prime} \partial_{y^{\prime}}$. Hence, three first integrals can be sought as a function of its invariants

$$
\begin{equation*}
F\left(t, \frac{y}{x}, \frac{x^{\prime}}{x}, \frac{y^{\prime}}{x}\right)=C \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

from the condition

$$
\begin{equation*}
D_{0} F=0 \tag{3.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

with the operator (1.5). So, in order to find the integral (3.1), we need to solve the linear homogeneous first-order partial differential equation (PDE). Its characteristic system consists of three first-order ODEs.

Note that invariants $I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}$ defined by (2.2), (2.4), (2.6), (2.8), (2.10), (2.14) are the functions of the invariants $t, y x^{-1}, x^{\prime} x^{-1}, y^{\prime} x^{-1}$ of the generator $X_{0}$. And it is not difficult to see that the form of the operator $\mathcal{D}_{0}$ in (2.3), (2.7), (2.11), (2.15) allows us to find the first integral from the condition $\mathcal{D}_{0} F=0$. Thus, some first integrals of the system (1.1) can be sought in the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
F\left(I_{a}, I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}\right)=C \tag{3.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

from the condition $\mathcal{D}_{0} F=0$. Here $I_{a}(t)$ is a nonconstant algebraic invariant of the system (1.1) and $\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}$ is its invariant too. Expressions for $\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{0}, \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{1}, \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{2}$ are given by (2.5), (2.9), (2.13), (2.16) for the corresponding types of the system (1.1). In general the characteristic system of the equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{D}_{0} F \equiv \mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a} \frac{\partial F}{\partial I_{a}}+\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{0} \frac{\partial F}{\partial I_{0}}+\mathcal{D}_{0} J_{1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial J_{1}}+\mathcal{D}_{0} J_{2} \frac{\partial F}{\partial J_{2}}=0 \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

consists of three first-order ODEs as for the equation (3.2). However, the cases exist when the invariant form of the integral (3.3) implies that the number of equations in the characteristic system of PDE (3.4) reduces. And, therefore, this system becomes simpler for integration. Let us consider such cases in more detail.

N I.1. For arbitrary system (1.1) of the first type the characteristic system of PDE (3.4) consists of the equation

$$
\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{1}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=\frac{1}{8} I_{2}-\frac{9}{64} I_{1}-I_{0} J_{2}-J_{2}^{2}-J_{1}^{2}
$$

and the equations

$$
\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=-1-\left(J_{0}+2 J_{1}\right) J_{2}, \quad\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} I_{0}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=J_{0}\left(2 \frac{I_{3}}{I_{1}}-I_{0}-2 J_{2}\right)+\frac{I_{0}}{2 I_{1}} \mathcal{D}_{0} I_{1}
$$

when $I_{1} \neq 0$, or the equations

$$
\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=-1-\left(\kappa I_{0}+2 J_{1}\right) J_{2}, \quad\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} I_{0}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=\kappa I_{0}\left(M-I_{0}-2 J_{2}\right)
$$

when $I_{1}=0, \alpha_{2} \neq 0, B_{1} \neq 0$. It can be shown that the condition $I_{1}=0$ implies $I_{3}=$ 0 . In this case the relative invariant $i_{1}$ becomes $i_{1}=\alpha_{2}^{-2}\left[\left(\alpha_{2} B_{0}-2 \alpha_{0} B_{1}\right)^{2}-4 i_{0} B_{1}^{2}\right]$. Hence, parameter $\kappa$ in (2.5) is equal to $\pm 1$, when $I_{1}=0$. Below we consider the cases when the number of equations of the characteristic system can be reduced.
$N$ I.2. For a system of the first type with the constant invariants $I_{1}, I_{2}, I_{3}$, where $I_{1} \neq 0$, the first integral is sought in the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
F\left(I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}\right)=C \tag{3.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the corresponding characteristic system consists of two equations

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d} J_{1}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{0}}=\frac{\frac{9}{64} I_{1}-I_{2} / 8+I_{0} J_{2}+J_{2}^{2}+J_{1}^{2}}{J_{0}\left(I_{0}+2 J_{2}-2 I_{3} I_{1}^{-1}\right)}, \quad \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{0}}=\frac{1+\left(J_{0}+2 J_{1}\right) J_{2}}{J_{0}\left(I_{0}+2 J_{2}-2 I_{3} I_{1}^{-1}\right)}
$$

$N$ I.3. If the system of the first type has the invariants $I_{1}=0, I_{2}=$ const, $I_{3}=0$ and its relative invariants satisfy the conditions $\alpha_{2} \neq 0, B_{1} \neq 0, M=$ const, then the first integral has the form (3.5) and the corresponding characteristic system consists of two equations

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d} J_{1}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{0}}=\frac{I_{0} J_{2}+J_{2}^{2}+J_{1}^{2}-I_{2} / 8}{\kappa I_{0}\left(I_{0}+2 J_{2}-M\right)}, \quad \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{0}}=\frac{1+\left(\kappa I_{0}+2 J_{1}\right) J_{2}}{\kappa I_{0}\left(I_{0}+2 J_{2}-M\right)}
$$

$N$ I.4. If the invariants of the system of the first type satisfy the conditions

$$
I_{1}=0, \quad I_{2} \neq \text { const }, \quad I_{3}=0, \quad B_{0}=0, \quad B_{1}=0, \quad B_{2}=0
$$

then we have $I_{0}=0, \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{1}=I_{2} / 8-J_{2}^{2}-J_{1}^{2}, \mathcal{D}_{0} J_{2}=-1-2 J_{1} J_{2}$ from (2.5), the first integral is sought in the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
F\left(I_{a}, J_{1}, J_{2}\right)=C \tag{3.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

and the characteristic system consists of two equations

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{1}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=\frac{1}{8} I_{2}-J_{2}^{2}-J_{1}^{2}  \tag{3.7}\\
\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=-1-2 J_{1} J_{2}
\end{array}\right.
$$

Eliminating $J_{1}$ from equations (3.7) one obtains the second-order ODE
$\frac{\mathrm{d}^{2} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}^{2}}=\frac{3}{2 J_{2}}\left(\frac{\mathrm{~d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}\right)^{2}+\frac{1}{\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}}\left(\frac{2}{J_{2}}-\frac{\mathrm{d}\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right)}{\mathrm{d} I_{a}}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}+\frac{1}{\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right)^{2}}\left(2 J_{2}^{3}-\frac{I_{2}}{4} J_{2}+\frac{1}{2 J_{2}}\right)$.
If we choose such invariant $I_{a}$ that $\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}=$ const $\neq 0$, then the substitution

$$
\begin{equation*}
J_{2}=-\frac{u}{u^{\prime} \mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}}, \quad u^{\prime}=\frac{\mathrm{d} u}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}} \tag{3.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

reduces (3.8) to the third-order ODE

$$
\begin{equation*}
2 u^{\prime} u^{\prime \prime \prime}-u^{\prime \prime 2}-\frac{I_{2}}{2\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right)^{2}} u^{\prime 2}+\frac{4}{\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right)^{4}} u^{2}=0 \tag{3.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

in $u\left(I_{a}\right)$, which linearizes on differentiation. Taking into account (3.9), the second equation (3.7) is solved for

$$
\begin{equation*}
J_{1}=\frac{\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}}{2} \frac{u^{\prime \prime}}{u^{\prime}} \tag{3.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

$N$ I.5. If the invariants of the system of the first type satisfy the conditions

$$
I_{1}=0, \quad I_{2}=\text { const }, \quad I_{3}=0, \quad B_{0}=0, \quad B_{1}=0, \quad B_{2}=0
$$

then the first integral has the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
F\left(J_{1}, J_{2}\right)=C \tag{3.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

and we have a single characteristic equation, namely, the Abel equation

$$
\left(1+2 J_{1} J_{2}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{1}}{\mathrm{~d} J_{2}}=J_{1}^{2}+J_{2}^{2}-\frac{1}{8} I_{2}
$$

$N$ II.1. For arbitrary system (1.1) of the second type the characteristic system of PDE (3.4) consists of three equations

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} I_{0}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=I_{2}-5 I_{1}+\frac{1}{3} I_{0}^{2}-3 J_{2}, \quad\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{1}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=1+\frac{1}{3} I_{0} J_{2}-2 J_{1} J_{2}, \\
& \left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=\frac{1}{4} I_{1}-\frac{1}{12} I_{0}^{2}-\frac{1}{3} I_{0} J_{1}+\frac{3}{2} J_{2}-J_{1}^{2} .
\end{aligned}
$$

The number of equations can be reduced in the following case.
$N$ II.2. For a system of the second type with the constant invariants $I_{1}, I_{2}$ the first integral is sought in the form (3.5) and the corresponding characteristic system consists of two equations

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d} J_{1}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{0}}=\frac{1+\frac{1}{3} I_{0} J_{2}-2 J_{1} J_{2}}{I_{2}-5 I_{1}+\frac{1}{3} I_{0}^{2}-3 J_{2}}, \quad \frac{\mathrm{~d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{0}}=\frac{\frac{1}{4} I_{1}-\frac{1}{12} I_{0}^{2}-\frac{1}{3} I_{0} J_{1}+\frac{3}{2} J_{2}-J_{1}^{2}}{I_{2}-5 I_{1}+\frac{1}{3} I_{0}^{2}-3 J_{2}}
$$

$N$ III.1. For arbitrary system (1.1) of the third type the first integral has the form (3.6) and the characteristic system consists of two ODEs

$$
\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{1}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=\frac{1}{4}-\frac{1}{2} I_{1} J_{1}-J_{1}^{2}, \quad\left(\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} I_{a}}=1+\frac{1}{2} I_{1} J_{2}-2 J_{1} J_{2}
$$

where the first equation can be integrated separately.
$N$ III.2. For a system of the third type with the constant invariant $I_{1}$ the first integral is sought in the form (3.12) and we have a single linear characteristic equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\mathrm{d} J_{2}}{\mathrm{~d} J_{1}}=\frac{2+I_{1} J_{2}-4 J_{1} J_{2}}{1 / 2-I_{1} J_{1}-2 J_{1}^{2}} . \tag{3.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

$N I V$. For a system (1.1) of the fourth type the invariant form of the first integral is given by $F\left(J_{1}\right)=C$. The equality $\mathcal{D}_{0} F \equiv\left(1-3 J_{1}\right) F_{J_{1}}=0$ has only the trivial solution $F \equiv$ const. But if we suppose $1-3 J_{1}=0$, then we obtain the relation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Phi \equiv \alpha_{2} j_{1} j_{2}-\frac{1}{3} j_{0}^{3}=0 \tag{3.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

From the equality $D_{0} \Phi=\frac{3}{2}\left(\frac{3 \beta_{2}}{2 \alpha_{2}}+p_{2}+q_{2} \frac{\alpha_{0}}{\alpha_{2}}\right) \Phi$ it follows $\left.D_{0} \Phi\right|_{\Phi=0}=0$ and, therefore, the relation (3.14) defines an invariant manifold of the system (1.1) of the fourth type.

## 4. APPLICATIONS OF DIFFERENTIAL INVARIANTS

The first two examples below are devoted to the systems with constant algebraic invariants and to the linear systems of the fourth type which do not possess algebraic invariants. Of course, these systems are easily integrable. However, they arise in the group classification of linear systems, when one usually try to eliminate the equivalent cases. It is shown here how one can use the differential invariants for solving this problem. The last example illustrates application of the invariants of linear systems to finding the first integrals.

Example 1. In $[2,3,5]$ the group classification of two linear equations with constant coefficients has been performed. In [5] the following linear system of the fourth type

$$
\begin{equation*}
x^{\prime \prime}=4 x^{\prime}-\frac{15}{4} x, \quad y^{\prime \prime}=b_{12} x+\frac{1}{4} y, \quad b_{12}=\text { const } \neq 0 \tag{4.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

has been found. Let us prove here that it is reducible to a simpler system of the fourth type

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{x}^{\prime \prime}=0, \quad \tilde{y}^{\prime \prime}=\tilde{x} \tag{4.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

obtained earlier in [2]. We suppose that systems (4.2), (4.1) are equivalent and equate the invariant

$$
J_{1}=\frac{2 x^{\prime}-3 x}{2 b_{12} x^{3}}\left(x y^{\prime}-y x^{\prime}+2 x y\right)
$$

of the system (4.1) to the invariant

$$
\tilde{J}_{1}=\frac{\tilde{x}^{\prime}}{\tilde{x}^{3}}\left(\tilde{x} \tilde{y}^{\prime}-\tilde{y} \tilde{x}^{\prime}\right)
$$

of the system (4.2), where we substitute (1.2) and

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\tilde{x}^{\prime}=\frac{1}{\theta^{\prime}}\left(\phi_{11} x^{\prime}+\phi_{12} y^{\prime}+\phi_{11}^{\prime} x+\phi_{12}^{\prime} y\right),  \tag{4.3}\\
\tilde{y}^{\prime}=\frac{1}{\theta^{\prime}}\left(\phi_{21} x^{\prime}+\phi_{22} y^{\prime}+\phi_{21}^{\prime} x+\phi_{22}^{\prime} y\right)
\end{array}\right.
$$

Equating like powers of $x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$ in the relation $J_{1}=\tilde{J}_{1}$ and studying further the conditions obtained we arrive at

$$
\phi_{12}=0, \quad\left(\frac{\phi_{21}}{\phi_{11}}\right)^{\prime}=0, \quad \frac{\phi_{11}^{\prime}}{\phi_{11}}=-\frac{3}{2}, \quad \frac{\phi_{22}^{\prime}}{\phi_{22}}=\frac{1}{2}, \quad \theta^{\prime 2}=b_{12} \frac{\phi_{22}}{\phi_{11}},
$$

whence it follows

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\tilde{t}=c_{0} \mathrm{e}^{t}+c_{1}, \quad \tilde{x}=c_{2} x \mathrm{e}^{-3 t / 2}, \quad \tilde{y}=c_{3} x \mathrm{e}^{-3 t / 2}+c_{4} y \mathrm{e}^{t / 2} \\
c_{0}, \ldots, c_{4}=\text { const }, \quad c_{0}^{2} c_{2}=b_{12} c_{4}, \quad c_{0}, c_{2}, c_{4} \neq 0 . \tag{4.4}
\end{array}
$$

It is readily verified that the change of variables (4.4) transforms (4.1) into (4.2).
Example 2. Consider an autonomous decoupled system obtained in [2,3]

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{x}^{\prime \prime}=\tilde{x}, \quad \tilde{y}^{\prime \prime}=k \tilde{y}, \quad k=\text { const }, \quad k \neq 1 . \tag{4.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

It is a system of the first type with the basis invariants

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tilde{I}_{0}=0, \quad \tilde{I}_{1}=0, \quad \tilde{I}_{2}=\frac{8(k+1)}{k-1}, \quad \tilde{I}_{3}=0 \tag{4.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Differential invariants (2.4) of the system (4.5) are given by

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\tilde{J}_{1}=\frac{\tilde{y} \tilde{x}^{\prime}+\tilde{x} \tilde{y}^{\prime}}{\sqrt{2(k-1)} \tilde{x} \tilde{y}},  \tag{4.7}\\
\tilde{J}_{2}=\frac{\tilde{y} \tilde{x}^{\prime}-\tilde{x} \tilde{y}^{\prime}}{\sqrt{2(k-1) \tilde{x} \tilde{y}}} .
\end{array}\right.
$$

In [1] the following system has been obtained (see the case I.9.2 there)

$$
\begin{equation*}
x^{\prime \prime}=\frac{1}{t^{2}}\left(c_{1} x+c_{2} y\right), \quad y^{\prime \prime}=\frac{1}{t^{2}}\left(c_{0} x-c_{1} y\right), \quad c_{0}, c_{1}, c_{2}=\text { const } \neq 0 \tag{4.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $\Delta=c_{0} c_{2}+c_{1}^{2}$ be nonzero, then (4.8) is a system of the first type with the invariants

$$
\begin{align*}
& I_{0}=0, \quad I_{1}=0, \quad I_{2}=\frac{2}{\sqrt{\Delta}}, \quad I_{3}=0  \tag{4.9}\\
& \left\{\begin{array}{l}
J_{1}=\frac{t\left(\left(c_{1} y-c_{0} x\right) x^{\prime}+\left(c_{1} x+c_{2} y\right) y^{\prime}\right)}{\Delta^{1 / 4}\left(c_{2} y^{2}+2 c_{1} x y-c_{0} x^{2}\right)} \\
J_{2}=\frac{\Delta^{1 / 4} t\left(x y^{\prime}-y x^{\prime}\right)}{c_{2} y^{2}+2 c_{1} x y-c_{0} x^{2}}
\end{array}\right. \tag{4.10}
\end{align*}
$$

Using the invariants one can find that systems (4.5) and (4.8) are equivalent when $\sqrt{\Delta} \neq 1 / 4$. In this case equalities (1.4) in algebraic invariants (4.6), (4.9) of systems (4.5), (4.8) are consistent. Then from (1.4) one can find the relation

$$
\begin{equation*}
k=\frac{1+4 \sqrt{\Delta}}{1-4 \sqrt{\Delta}} \tag{4.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

only. In order to find the transformation (1.2) connecting (4.5) and (4.8), we substitute (1.2), (4.3) into invariants (4.7) and equate them to the corresponding invariants (4.10). Comparing like powers of $x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$ in the equalities $J_{1}=\tilde{J}_{1}, J_{2}=\tilde{J}_{2}$ and equating then the coefficients of like powers of $x, y$, we obtain a number of relations. In particular, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\theta^{\prime}=\frac{\sqrt{1-4 \sqrt{\Delta}}}{2 t}, \quad \phi_{i j}^{\prime}=-\frac{\phi_{i j}}{2 t}, \quad i, j=1,2 . \tag{4.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then the remaining relations become

$$
\begin{align*}
& c_{0}\left(\phi_{11} \phi_{22}+\phi_{12} \phi_{21}\right)+2 c_{1} \phi_{11} \phi_{21}=0, \quad c_{0}\left(\phi_{11} \phi_{22}-\phi_{12} \phi_{21}\right)-2 \sqrt{\Delta} \phi_{11} \phi_{21}=0, \\
& c_{2}\left(\phi_{11} \phi_{22}+\phi_{12} \phi_{21}\right)-2 c_{1} \phi_{12} \phi_{22}=0, \quad c_{2}\left(\phi_{11} \phi_{22}-\phi_{12} \phi_{21}\right)+2 \sqrt{\Delta} \phi_{12} \phi_{22}=0, \\
& c_{2} \phi_{11} \phi_{21}+c_{0} \phi_{12} \phi_{22}=0, \quad c_{1}\left(\phi_{11} \phi_{22}-\phi_{12} \phi_{21}\right)+\sqrt{\Delta}\left(\phi_{11} \phi_{22}+\phi_{12} \phi_{21}\right)=0 . \tag{4.13}
\end{align*}
$$

Integration of (4.12), (4.13) provides the change of variables
$\tilde{t}=\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1-4 \sqrt{\Delta}} \ln t, \tilde{x}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\left(c_{0} x-\left(c_{1}+\sqrt{\Delta}\right) y\right), \tilde{y}=\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\left(\left(c_{1}+\sqrt{\Delta}\right) x+c_{2} y\right)$, which transforms (4.8) to the system (4.5) with the parameter (4.11).

Example 3. In [19] the wave propagation on free surface of two-phase mixture has been studied. Solution of the form of damping wave reduces to the equations

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(N x^{\prime}\right)^{\prime}-N x=\left(M y^{\prime}\right)^{\prime}-M y, \quad-\left(M x^{\prime}\right)^{\prime}+M x=\left(N y^{\prime}\right)^{\prime}-N y \tag{4.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

in $x(t), y(t)$, where $M(t), N(t)$ are real functions. If we denote $r=\sqrt{M^{2}+N^{2}}$, $\varphi=\arctan (N / M), \Phi=\varphi^{\prime \prime}+\varphi^{\prime} r^{\prime} r^{-1}$, then (4.14) become

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
x^{\prime \prime}=x-\frac{r^{\prime}}{r} x^{\prime}-\varphi^{\prime} y^{\prime},  \tag{4.15}\\
y^{\prime \prime}=y-\frac{r^{\prime}}{r} y^{\prime}+\varphi^{\prime} x^{\prime} .
\end{array}\right.
$$

For this system of the first type (when $\Phi \neq 0$ ) we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& B_{0}=0, \quad B_{1}=0, \quad B_{2}=0, \quad i_{0}=-\frac{\Phi^{2}}{4}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{0}=\sqrt{\frac{2}{i \Phi}} D_{0}, \quad i^{2}=-1 \\
& I_{0}=0, \quad I_{1}=0, \quad I_{2}=\frac{i}{\Phi^{3}}\left[5 \Phi^{\prime 2}-4 \Phi \Phi^{\prime \prime}+4 \Phi^{2}\left(\varphi^{\prime 2}-2 \frac{r^{\prime \prime}}{r}+\frac{r^{\prime 2}}{r^{2}}-4\right)\right], I_{3}=0, \\
& J_{1}=\sqrt{\frac{2}{i \Phi}}\left(\frac{x x^{\prime}+y y^{\prime}}{x^{2}+y^{2}}+\frac{r^{\prime}}{2 r}+\frac{\Phi^{\prime}}{4 \Phi}\right), \quad J_{2}=\sqrt{\frac{2 i}{\Phi}}\left(\frac{x y^{\prime}-y x^{\prime}}{x^{2}+y^{2}}-\frac{\varphi^{\prime}}{2}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Hence, system (4.15) falls into the case N I.4 described in the previous section.
Let, for instance, the parameters of system (4.15) be given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
r=\text { const } \neq 0, \quad \varphi=\Phi=\lambda \mathrm{e}^{\kappa t}, \quad \kappa= \pm 1, \quad \lambda=\text { const } \neq 0 \tag{4.16}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then for system (4.15), (4.16) we have

$$
\mathcal{D}_{0}=\sqrt{\frac{2}{i \lambda}} \mathrm{e}^{-\kappa t / 2} D_{0}, \quad I_{2}=i\left(4 \lambda \mathrm{e}^{\kappa t}-\frac{15}{\lambda \mathrm{e}^{\kappa t}}\right)
$$

If we take $I_{a}=\lambda \mathrm{e}^{\kappa t / 2}$, then

$$
\mathcal{D}_{0} I_{a}=\kappa \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{2 i}}, \quad I_{2}=i\left(\frac{4 I_{a}^{2}}{\lambda}-\frac{15 \lambda}{I_{a}^{2}}\right)
$$

and relations (3.9), (3.11) become

$$
\begin{equation*}
J_{1}=\frac{\kappa}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{2 i}} \frac{u^{\prime \prime}}{u^{\prime}}, \quad J_{2}=-\kappa \sqrt{\frac{2 i}{\lambda}} \frac{u}{u^{\prime}} . \tag{4.17}
\end{equation*}
$$

Equation (3.10) takes the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
2 u^{\prime} u^{\prime \prime \prime}-u^{\prime \prime 2}+\left(\frac{4 I_{a}^{2}}{\lambda^{2}}-\frac{15}{I_{a}^{2}}\right) u^{\prime 2}-\frac{16}{\lambda^{2}} u^{2}=0 \tag{4.18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Differentiating once we obtain a linear fourth-order ODE

$$
u^{I V}+\left(\frac{4 I_{a}^{2}}{\lambda^{2}}-\frac{15}{I_{a}^{2}}\right) u^{\prime \prime}+\left(\frac{4 I_{a}}{\lambda^{2}}+\frac{15}{I_{a}^{3}}\right) u^{\prime}-\frac{16}{\lambda^{2}} u=0
$$

with the general solution

$$
\begin{equation*}
u=\frac{1}{I_{a}^{2}}\left(c_{1} \sin \left(I_{a}^{2} / \lambda\right)+c_{2} \cos \left(I_{a}^{2} / \lambda\right)+c_{3}\right)+c_{4} I_{a}^{2}, \quad c_{1}, c_{2}, c_{3}, c_{4}=\text { const. } \tag{4.19}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substitution of (4.19) into (4.18) leads to the relation

$$
4 \lambda^{2} c_{4}\left(c_{3}+\lambda^{2} c_{4}\right)+c_{1}^{2}+c_{2}^{2}=0
$$

whence it follows

$$
\begin{equation*}
c_{3}=-\lambda^{2} c_{4}\left(1+C_{1}^{2}+C_{2}^{2}\right), \quad C_{1}=\frac{c_{1}}{2 \lambda^{2} c_{4}}, \quad C_{2}=\frac{c_{2}}{2 \lambda^{2} c_{4}} . \tag{4.20}
\end{equation*}
$$

Function (4.19), (4.20) defines the general solution of ODE (4.18). Substituting it into (4.17) we obtain the relations

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{2 \kappa\left(x y^{\prime}-y x^{\prime}\right)}{\varphi\left(x^{2}+y^{2}\right)}=1+\frac{1+C_{1}^{2}+C_{2}^{2}-\varphi^{2}-2 C_{1} \sin \varphi-2 C_{2} \cos \varphi}{1+C_{1}^{2}+C_{2}^{2}+\varphi^{2}-2\left(C_{2} \varphi+C_{1}\right) \sin \varphi+2\left(C_{1} \varphi-C_{2}\right) \cos \varphi} \\
& -\frac{\kappa\left(x x^{\prime}+y y^{\prime}\right)}{x^{2}+y^{2}}=1+\frac{\varphi^{2}\left(C_{1} \sin \varphi+C_{2} \cos \varphi-1\right)}{1+C_{1}^{2}+C_{2}^{2}+\varphi^{2}-2\left(C_{2} \varphi+C_{1}\right) \sin \varphi+2\left(C_{1} \varphi-C_{2}\right) \cos \varphi}
\end{aligned}
$$

Solving them with respect to $C_{1}, C_{2}$ one can find two first integrals of the system (4.15), (4.16). They can be supplemented by an integral

$$
x^{\prime 2}+y^{\prime 2}-x^{2}-y^{2}=C_{3}
$$

easily found from (4.15) when $r=$ const.

## 5. CONCLUSION

Usually, to solve the equivalence problem for a family of ODEs it is sufficient to use the algebraic invariants of the family. Here we found the differential invariants for a system of two linear equations of the second order. Differential invariants are effective when either all algebraic invariants of the system are identically constant, or the system is of a degenerate type and does not possess algebraic invariants (as in Example 1 of the previous section).

Differential invariants find another application in constructing the first integrals. Using them one can find not more thah three integrals, while the system of two second-order ODEs has four independent first integrals. In general, the characteristic system of PDE (3.4) is three-dimensional being not simpler than that of PDE (3.2). But if we seek the first integral as a function of algebraic and differential invariants (3.3), then the dimension of the characteristic system of PDE (3.4) can be reduced. Simultaneously this leads to the reduction of the number of integrals which can be constructed by this way. All such cases are listed in Section 3. Namely, in the cases N.I.2-N.I.4, N.II.2, N.III. 1 one can find two first integrals of the form (3.5) or (3.6). In the cases N.I. 5 and N.III. 2 we have one first integral of the form (3.12) (cf. with the cases of the extension of admitted Lie symmetry algebra in [13]).

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## APPENDIX. PROOF OF THE THEOREM 1

The proof of the statement of the Theorem 1 mainly repeats the proof of the Theorem 2.1 in [9]. The only difference is that the space of arguments of the differential invariant $I$ is extended by two variables $x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$ in comparison with the arguments of the algebraic invariant. Therefore, the set of independent algebraic and differential invariants of the system (1.1) is extended by two invariants $J_{i}=\left(t, x, y, x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}\right), i=1,2$, in addition to the algebraic invariants $I_{0}(t, x, y), I_{j}(t)$ constructed before in [9]. Differential invariant $I$ is found from the invariance condition $\tilde{X} I=0$. Here the operator $X$ of the group $E$ of the equivalence transformations of system (1.1) found in [9] is extended to $x^{\prime}, y^{\prime}$ by usual
prolongation formulas [17]

$$
\begin{align*}
X=\tau(t) \partial_{t} & +\left[\rho_{1}(t) x+\sigma_{1}(t) y\right] \partial_{x}+\left[\rho_{2}(t) y+\sigma_{2}(t) x\right] \partial_{y} \\
& +\left[\rho_{1}^{\prime} x+\sigma_{1}^{\prime} y+\left(\rho_{1}-\tau^{\prime}\right) x^{\prime}+\sigma_{1} y^{\prime}\right] \partial_{x^{\prime}}  \tag{6.1}\\
& +\left[\rho_{2}^{\prime} y+\sigma_{2}^{\prime} x+\left(\rho_{2}-\tau^{\prime}\right) y^{\prime}+\sigma_{2} x^{\prime}\right] \partial_{y^{\prime}}
\end{align*}
$$

Relation $\tilde{X} I=0$, split by functions $\tau, \rho_{1}, \rho_{2}, \sigma_{1}, \sigma_{2}$ and their derivatives, again leads to the system (A.6) from [9]. As is seen from (6.1) only nine operators $X_{2}$, $\ldots, X_{6}, X_{8}, \ldots, X_{11}$ in the system (A.6) in [9] should be replaced by

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{X}_{2}\left(\tau^{\prime}\right) & =X_{2}-x^{\prime} \partial_{x^{\prime}}-y^{\prime} \partial_{y^{\prime}}, \\
\hat{X}_{3}\left(\left(\rho_{1}+\rho_{2}\right) / 2\right) & =X_{3}+\frac{1}{2}\left(x^{\prime} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+y^{\prime} \partial_{y^{\prime}}\right), \\
\hat{X}_{4}\left(\left(\rho_{1}-\rho_{2}\right) / 2\right) & =X_{4}+\frac{1}{2}\left(x^{\prime} \partial_{x^{\prime}}-y^{\prime} \partial_{y^{\prime}}\right), \\
\hat{X}_{5}\left(\sigma_{1}\right) & =X_{5}+y^{\prime} \partial_{x^{\prime}}, \\
\hat{X}_{6}\left(\sigma_{2}\right) & =X_{6}+x^{\prime} \partial_{y^{\prime}}, \\
\hat{X}_{8}\left(\rho_{1}^{\prime}\right) & =X_{8}+x \partial_{x^{\prime}}, \\
\hat{X}_{9}\left(\rho_{2}^{\prime}\right) & =X_{9}+y \partial_{y^{\prime}}, \\
\hat{X}_{10}\left(\sigma_{1}^{\prime}\right) & =X_{10}+y \partial_{x^{\prime}}, \\
\hat{X}_{11}\left(\sigma_{2}^{\prime}\right) & =X_{11}+x \partial_{y^{\prime}} .
\end{aligned}
$$

The set of functionally independent solutions of such a modified system (A.6) defines the algebraic and differential invariants (2.1), (2.2) of the system (1.1) in generic case. And these invariants are given by (2.6), (2.8), (2.10), (2.14) for the corresponding degenerate types of the system (1.1). Analysis of the modified system (A.6) is similar to that performed in [9].

Systems of the fifth type possess neither algebraic, nor differential absolute invariants. Indeed, the relative invariants $\alpha_{i}, \beta_{i}, \gamma_{i}, \epsilon_{i}, i=0,1,2$, vanish and six operators (A.9) from [9] act in the space of four variables $x, y$ and $\delta_{1}, \delta_{2}$ defined by (2.1). Therefore, the subsystem of (A.6) with the operators (A.9) in [9] has only the trivial solution $I=$ const in this case.

The generator (6.1) of the equivalence transformation group $E$ has the form

$$
X=\xi_{0} \partial_{t}+\xi_{1} \partial_{x}+\xi_{2} \partial_{y}+\xi_{3} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\xi_{4} \partial_{y^{\prime}}
$$

Then, according to [17], the components of an invariant differentiation operator

$$
\mathcal{D}=\lambda_{0} \partial_{t}+\lambda_{1} \partial_{x}+\lambda_{2} \partial_{y}+\lambda_{3} \partial_{x^{\prime}}+\lambda_{4} \partial_{y^{\prime}}
$$

satisfy the conditions

$$
\begin{equation*}
X \lambda_{i}=\lambda_{0} \xi_{i t}+\lambda_{1} \xi_{i x}+\lambda_{2} \xi_{i y}+\lambda_{3} \xi_{i x^{\prime}}+\lambda_{4} \xi_{i y^{\prime}}, \quad i=0, \ldots, 4 \tag{6.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The coefficients $\xi_{i}$ in the operator $X$ are defined by (6.1). Equalities (6.2) split by functions $\tau, \rho_{1}, \rho_{2}, \sigma_{1}, \sigma_{2}$ and their derivatives give rise to a system which contains
the nonhomogeneous equations

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\hat{X}_{2} \lambda_{0}=\lambda_{0}, \quad \hat{X}_{3} \lambda_{1}=\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{1}, \quad \hat{X}_{4} \lambda_{1}=\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{1}, \quad \hat{X}_{5} \lambda_{1}=\lambda_{2}, \\
\hat{X}_{3} \lambda_{2}=\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{2}, \quad \hat{X}_{8} \lambda_{1}=x \lambda_{0}, \quad \hat{X}_{10} \lambda_{1}=y \lambda_{0}, \\
\hat{X}_{2} \lambda_{3}=-\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{2}, \quad \hat{X}_{6} \lambda_{2}=\lambda_{1}, \quad \hat{X}_{3} \lambda_{2}=y \lambda_{0}, \quad \hat{X}_{11} \lambda_{2}=x \lambda_{0}, \\
\hat{X}_{8} \lambda_{3}=x^{\prime} \lambda_{0}+\lambda_{1}, \quad \hat{X}_{3}, \quad \hat{X}_{4} \lambda_{3}=\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{3}, \quad \hat{X}_{5} \lambda_{3}=\lambda_{4}, \quad \hat{X}_{7} \lambda_{3}=-\lambda_{2}, \quad x_{0} \lambda_{0}, \\
\hat{X}_{2} \lambda_{3}=x \lambda_{0}, \quad X_{14} \lambda_{3}=y \lambda_{0}, \\
\hat{X}_{2}=-\hat{X}_{4}, \quad \hat{X}_{3} \lambda_{4}=\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{4}, \quad \hat{X}_{4} \lambda_{4}=-\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{4}, \\
\hat{X}_{6} \lambda_{4}=\lambda_{3}, \quad \hat{X}_{7} \lambda_{4}=-y^{\prime} \lambda_{0}, \\
y^{\prime} \lambda_{0}+\lambda_{2}, \quad \hat{X}_{11} \lambda_{4}=x^{\prime} \lambda_{0}+\lambda_{1}, \\
X_{13} \lambda_{4}=y \lambda_{0}, \quad X_{15} \lambda_{4}=x \lambda_{0},
\end{array}
$$

the remaining equations of the system being homogeneous. This system has five independent solutions which define the operators $\mathcal{D}_{i}, i=0, \ldots, 4$, given by (2.3), (2.7), (2.11), (2.15) for the corresponding types of the system (1.1). Relations (2.5), (2.9), (2.13), (2.16) are found by direct calculation, i.e. applying the operators $\mathcal{D}_{i}$, $i=0, \ldots, 4$, to the corresponding invariants $I_{0}, J_{1}, J_{2}$.


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