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## A Joint Description of the Boundary Exponent Sets of a Solution of a Linear Pfaff System: II

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In the present paper, we complete the proof of Theorem 1 stated in the first part [1] and below. We continue the numbering of formulas in [1].

**Theorem 1.** *Let the following objects be given:  
an arbitrary positive integer  $n$ ;*

*arbitrary closed concave monotone decreasing curves  $D^{(1)}$  and  $D^{(2)}$  on the two-dimensional plane unbounded on the right and below and on the left and above, respectively, and having slopes not less (respectively, greater) than  $-1$  at each interior point;*

*arbitrary closed convex monotone decreasing curves  $D^{(3)}$  and  $D^{(4)}$  on the two-dimensional plane unbounded on the right and below and on the left and above, respectively, and having slopes not greater (respectively, less) than  $-1$  at each interior point.*

*Then there exists a completely integrable Pfaff system  $(1_n)$  with infinitely differentiable bounded coefficients such that its arbitrary nontrivial solution  $x : R_{>1}^2 \rightarrow R^n \setminus \{0\}$  has the left and right boundary lower exponent sets  $\underline{D}_x(p') = D^{(1)}$  and  $\underline{D}_x(p'') = D^{(2)}$ , respectively, and the left and right boundary upper exponent sets  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda') = D^{(3)}$  and  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda'') = D^{(4)}$ , respectively.*

**Proof of Theorem 1** (continued).

### 4. CONSTRUCTION OF THE BOUNDARY EXPONENT SETS

In this section, we construct the left and right boundary lower and upper exponent sets of the nontrivial solution of the Pfaff equation (1<sub>1</sub>) constructed in Section 2 of [1].

#### 4.1. Proof of the Coincidence of the Left and Right Boundary Lower Exponent Sets $\underline{D}_x(p')$ and $\underline{D}_x(p'')$ with the Curves $D^{(1)}$ and $D^{(2)}$ , Respectively

We take an arbitrary point  $d = (d_1, d_2)$  of the everywhere dense partition  $D_\infty^{(1)}$  of the curve  $D^{(1)}$  and show that it belongs to the left boundary lower exponent set  $\underline{D}_x(p')$ .

Following [2], we introduce the notation

$$\beta^{(1)}(d) \equiv \liminf_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln |x(t)| + t_1 - (d, \ln t)}{\|\ln t\|}$$

for the lower limit occurring in definition (5), where  $p' = (-1, 0)$  is the left boundary point of the lower characteristic set  $P_x$ .

Let us prove the inequality  $\beta^{(1)}(d) \leq 0$ . By the definition of the partition  $D_\infty^{(1)}$ , there exists an index  $l(d) \in N$  such that  $d \in D_l^{(1)}$  for all  $l \geq l(d)$  and  $d \notin D_l^{(1)}$  for all  $l < l(d)$ . Suppose that  $d$  is the  $i_m$ th point of the  $(l(d) + m)$ th partition,  $m \in N$ . In each strip  $\Pi^{(1)}(i_m, l(d) + m)$ ,  $m \in N$ , in which the function  $\ln \psi(t)$  is defined on the basis of the point  $d = \Delta^{(1)}(i_m, l(d) + m)$ , we take a point  $\tau(m)$  on the curve  $\ln t_2 / \ln t_1 = 1 / |k^{(1)}(d)| > 1$  if the slope  $k^{(1)}(d)$  of the curve  $D^{(1)}$  at the

point  $d$  is not equal to  $-1$  and on the line  $t_2/t_1 = 2e$  otherwise. We thereby obtain a sequence  $\{\tau(m)\} \uparrow +\infty$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \ln \psi(\tau(m)) &= (d, \ln \tau(m)), & \ln \varphi(\tau(m)) &= \ln \underline{E}(\tau(m)), \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x(\tau(m)) + \tau_1(m) - (d, \ln \tau(m))}{\|\ln \tau(m)\|} &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

which implies the desired inequality  $\beta^{(1)}(d) \leq 0$ . Note that, in the case of the curve  $D^{(1)}$  of the form (3<sub>1</sub>), the validity of the relation  $\ln \psi(\tau(m)) = (d, \ln \tau(m))$  is provided by (13<sub>1</sub>).

Let the lower limit  $\beta^{(1)}(d)$  be realized along a sequence  $\{t(m)\} \uparrow +\infty$  such that  $t_j(m) \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ . The existence of such a sequence follows from Lemma 1 in [3]. Without loss of generality, we can assume that

$$|(d, \ln t(m))| \leq \|t(m)\|^{2/3}, \quad m \in N, \tag{24_1}$$

$$t_1(m) \geq \max \{\zeta_0, 128\}, \quad m \in N, \tag{24_2}$$

and also, in the case of the curve  $D^{(1)}$  of the form (3<sub>1</sub>),

$$\left( \Delta^{(1)}(0, 0) - d, \left( 1, \sqrt[3]{t_1(m)} \right) \right) \geq 0, \quad m \in N. \tag{24_3}$$

Without loss of generality, we can assume that all elements  $t(m)$  of this sequence belong to strips of the quadrant  $R_{>1}^2$  with distinct indices  $l_m$ ,  $1 < l_m < l_{m+1} \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ , and

$$d \in D^{(1)}(l_m), \quad m \in N. \tag{25}$$

Let us now prove the inequality  $\beta^{(1)}(d) \geq 0$ . If the sequence  $\{t(m)\}$  contains an infinite subsequence  $\{t(m_j)\}$  such that each point  $t(m_j)$  satisfies the estimate  $\ln \psi(t(m_j)) - (d, \ln t(m_j)) \geq 0$ , then, by virtue of the inequality  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) + t_1(m) \geq 0$ , we have  $\beta(d) \geq 0$ . Therefore, without loss of generality, just as in [2], we can assume that

$$\ln \psi(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) < 0 \quad \forall m \in N. \tag{26}$$

We take some  $m \in N$  and suppose that  $t(m)$  lies in the strip  $\Pi^{(1)}(l_m)$  used for the realization of the left boundary lower exponent set  $\underline{D}_x(p') = D^{(1)}$ . Note that the solution  $x(t)$  has been constructed so as to preserve the idea of proof of the inequality  $\beta^{(1)}(d) \geq 0$  in [2] in the realization of the left boundary lower exponent set  $\underline{D}_x(p') = D^{(1)}$  in the strips  $\Pi^{(1)}(l_m)$ , which are the main strips of the set  $\underline{D}_x(p')$ . Since in the case of the slope equal to  $-1$  of the curve  $D^{(1)}$  at some point  $\Delta^{(1)}(i, l) \in D_l^{(1)}$ , the function  $\psi_{i,l}^{(1)}(t)$  is defined in another way than in [2], we still give a concise proof of the inequality  $\beta^{(1)}(d) \geq 0$  in the strips  $\Pi^{(1)}(l_m)$ . This proof substantially uses the fact that the validity of the estimate (12<sub>1</sub>) is achieved in the strips corresponding to the points  $\Delta^{(1)}(i, l)$  at which the slope of  $D^{(1)}$  is equal to  $-1$ .

Let the curve  $D^{(1)}$  have the form (1<sub>1</sub>) or (2<sub>1</sub>). If  $t(m)$  belongs to the “main” strip  $\Pi^{(1)}(i_m, l_m)$ , then it follows from (26), (18<sub>1</sub>), and (17) that  $\ln \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(1)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) < 0$ , which, together with (14<sub>1</sub>) and (25), implies that  $t(m) \in S\Pi^{(1)}(i_m, l_m)$ . Since  $D^{(1)}$  is concave, we find that the point  $d \in D^{(1)}$  does not lie above the tangent to the curve  $D^{(1)}$  at the point  $\Delta^{(1)}(i_m, l_m) \in D^{(1)}$ , i.e.,

$$\Delta_1^{(1)}(i_m, l_m) - d_1 + \Theta_{i_m, l_m}^{(1)} \left( \Delta_2^{(1)}(i_m, l_m) - d_2 \right) \geq 0. \tag{27}$$

Let us estimate  $R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m))$  from below. The inclusion  $t(m) \in S\Pi^{(1)}(i_m, l_m)$ , together with relations (8<sub>1,1</sub>) and (8<sub>1,2</sub>) and inequalities (12<sub>1</sub>) and (27), implies the estimates

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m)) &= \ln \underline{E}(t(m)) + t_1(m) + \ln \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(1)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) \geq (\Delta^{(1)}(i_m, l_m) - d, \ln t(m)) \\ &= \left[ \left\{ \left( \Delta_1^{(1)}(i_m, l_m) - d_1 \right) + \Theta_{i_m, l_m}^{(1)} \left( \Delta_2^{(1)}(i_m, l_m) - d_2 \right) \right\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left( \Delta_2^{(1)}(i_m, l_m) - d_2 \right) \left( \frac{\ln t_2(m)}{\ln t_1(m)} - \Theta_{i_m, l_m}^{(1)} \right) \right] \ln t_1(m) \\ &\geq - \left| \Delta_2^{(1)}(i_m, l_m) - d_2 \right| \left| \frac{\ln t_2(m)}{\ln t_1(m)} - \Theta_{i_m, l_m}^{(1)} \right| \ln t_1(m) \geq -2^{-l_m} \|\ln t(m)\|. \end{aligned}$$

Let the point  $t(m)$  lie in the “transition” strip  $P^{(1)}(i_m + 1, l_m)$ ,  $i_m \in I_{l_m}^1$ . If the relation

$$\psi_{i_m+1, l_m}^{(1)}(t(m)) \geq \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(1)}(t(m))$$

is valid at  $t(m)$ , then from (26), (18<sub>1</sub>), and (17), we obtain  $\ln \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(1)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) < 0$ . Just as for the case in which  $t(m)$  lies in the “main” strip  $\Pi^{(1)}(i_m, l_m)$ , from this inequality, one can obtain the estimate

$$R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m)) \geq -2^{-l_m} \|\ln t(m)\|. \tag{28}$$

But if  $\psi_{i_m+1, l_m}^{(1)}(t(m)) < \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(1)}(t(m))$  at  $t(m)$ , then  $\ln \psi_{i_m+1, l_m}^{(1)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) < 0$ . By performing considerations similar to the case of the inclusion  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(1)}(i_m, l_m)$  and by writing out the equation of the tangent to the curve  $D^{(1)}$  at the point  $\Delta^{(1)}(i_m + 1, l_m)$  rather than  $\Delta^{(1)}(i_m, l_m)$ , we obtain (28).

Now let the curve  $D^{(1)}$  have the form (3<sub>1</sub>), and let  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(1)}(l_m)$ . If either

$$\ln t_2(m) \leq \sqrt[3]{t_1(m)} \ln t_1(m)$$

or

$$\ln t_2(m) > \sqrt[3]{t_1(m)} \ln t_1(m) \quad \text{and} \quad \ln u_{l_m}^{(1)}(t(m)) \leq (\Delta^{(1)}(0, 0), \ln t(m)),$$

then, by virtue of the relation  $\psi(t(m)) \geq u_{l_m}^{(1)}(t(m))$ , we obtain the estimate (28). But if  $\ln t_2(m) > \sqrt[3]{t_1(m)} \ln t_1(m)$  and  $\ln u_{l_m}^{(1)}(t(m)) > (\Delta^{(1)}(0, 0), \ln t(m))$ , then it follows from (24<sub>3</sub>) that

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m)) &\geq (\Delta^{(1)}(0, 0) - d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\geq \left( \Delta^{(1)}(0, 0) - d, \left( 1, \sqrt[3]{t_1(m)} \right) \right) \ln t_1(m) \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

We have thereby proved inequality (28) for  $R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m))$  for the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to  $\Pi^{(1)}(l_m)$ .

Now we suppose that  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $\Pi^{(2)}(l_m)$  used for the realization of the right boundary lower exponent set  $\underline{D}_x(p'') = D^{(2)}$ . Let  $D^{(2)}$  have the form (1<sub>2</sub>) or (2<sub>2</sub>). If  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(2)}(i_m, l_m)$ , then, by definitions (18<sub>1</sub>) and (17) of the function  $\psi(t)$ , inequality (26) in this strip acquires the form  $\ln \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(2)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) < 0$ . Since  $d \in D(l)$ , it follows from (14<sub>1</sub>) that  $t(m) \in S\Pi^{(2)}(i_m, l_m)$ . This inclusion, together with (11<sub>2</sub>), implies that  $t_2(m) \leq t_1(m)/e$ . Then, by (23), (24<sub>1</sub>), and (24<sub>2</sub>), we have the estimates

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m)) &\geq \ln \underline{E}(t(m)) + t_1(m) + \ln \psi(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\geq -t_2(m) + t_1(m) - 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \geq t_1^{2/3}(m) \left( t_1^{1/3}(m) - 4\sqrt[3]{2} \right) / 2 \geq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

If  $t(m) \in P^{(2)}(i_m + 1, l_m)$ ,  $i \in I_m^1$ , and  $\psi_{i_m+1, l_m}^{(2)}(t(m)) \geq \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(2)}(t(m))$ , then it follows from (18<sub>1</sub>), (17), and (26) that  $\ln \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(2)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) < 0$ . In this case, we obtain the estimate (29) just as for the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $\Pi^{(2)}(i_m, l_m)$ . But if  $t(m)$  lies in the strip  $P^{(2)}(i_m + 1, l_m)$  and  $\psi_{i_m+1, l_m}^{(2)}(t(m)) < \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(2)}(t(m))$ , then it follows from (26) and (14<sub>1</sub>) that  $t(m)$  belongs to  $S\Pi^{(2)}(i_m + 1, l_m)$ , which, together with (11<sub>2</sub>), implies that  $t_2(m) \leq t_1(m)/e$ . Then the estimate (29) is also satisfied. If  $D^{(2)}$  is a curve of the form (3<sub>2</sub>) and  $\ln t_1(m) \leq \sqrt[3]{t_2(m)} \ln t_2(m)$ , then the estimate (29) can be proved by virtue of the relation  $\psi(t(m)) = u_{i_m}^{(2)}(t(m))$ . Now let  $\ln t_1(m) > \sqrt[3]{t_2(m)} \ln t_2(m)$ . Then, by (13<sub>2</sub>),  $t_1(m) > t_2(m) \sqrt[3]{t_2(m)} \geq 2et_2(m)$ , which allows one to obtain the estimate (29) in a similar way.

This completes the proof of the estimate (29) for  $R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m))$  for the case in which  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(2)}(l_m)$ .

Now let  $t(m)$  lie in the strips  $\bar{\Pi}(l_m)$  used in the realization of upper boundary exponent sets. By estimating  $R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m))$  from below, from (23), (24<sub>1</sub>), and (24<sub>2</sub>), we obtain the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m)) &\geq \ln \bar{E}(t(m)) + \ln \psi(t(m)) + t_1(m) - (d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\geq 2t_1(m) + t_2(m) - \ln 2 - 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \geq t_1(m) - \ln 2 + \|t(m)\| - 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \geq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

If  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $P^{(2)}(1, l_m)$  lying between the strips  $\Pi^{(1)}(l_m)$  and  $\Pi^{(2)}(l_m)$ , then, by (18<sub>3</sub>), either  $\psi(t(m)) \geq \omega_{l_m \times 2^{l_m}, l_m}^{(1)}(t(m))$  or  $\psi(t(m)) \geq \omega_{1, l_m}^{(2)}(t(m))$ . If the first inequality is valid, then, by using considerations similar to those in the case of the inclusion  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(1)}(l_m)$ , one can prove the estimate (28). In the case of the second inequality, by using the relation  $\varphi(t(m)) = \underline{E}(t(m))$  and by following the line of argument for the case in which  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(2)}(l_m)$ , one can obtain the estimate (29).

Consider the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $P^{(3)}(1, l_m)$  lying between the strips  $\underline{\Pi}(l_m)$  and  $\bar{\Pi}(l_m)$ . First, let  $t(m) \in P_1^{(3)}(1, l_m)$ . Then, by (18<sub>4</sub>) and (16<sub>3</sub>),  $\psi(t(m)) = \omega_{l_m \times 2^{l_m}, l_m}^{(2)}(t(m))$ , and either  $\varphi(t(m)) \geq \underline{E}(t(m))$  or  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) \geq \zeta(t(m))/2$ . If the first inequality is valid, then, just as in the case of the inclusion  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(2)}(l_m)$ , we obtain the estimate (29). In the case of the second inequality, by using (24<sub>1</sub>), (24<sub>2</sub>), and (23), we obtain the estimates

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((-1, 0), d, t(m)) &\geq \zeta(t(m))/2 + t_1(m) + \ln \psi(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\geq (3t_1(m) + t_2(m))/2 - 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \geq \|t(m)\|/2 - 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \geq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

If  $t(m)$  lies in the strip  $P_2^{(3)}(1, l_m)$ , then  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) = \zeta(t(m))/2$ ; consequently, the estimate (31) is valid. But if  $t(m) \in P_3^{(3)}(1, l_m)$ , then  $\psi(t(m)) = \omega_{1, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m))$  and either  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) \geq \zeta(t(m))/2$  or  $\varphi(t(m)) \geq \bar{E}(t(m))$ . In the case of the first inequality, we arrive at the estimate (31). In the case of the second inequality, by an argument similar to that used for the inclusion  $t(m) \in \bar{\Pi}(l_m)$ , one can prove the estimate (30).

Finally, we consider the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $P^{(1)}(1, l_m + 1)$  lying between the strips  $\bar{\Pi}(l_m)$  and  $\underline{\Pi}(l_m + 1)$ . If  $t(m) \in P_1^{(1)}(1, l_m + 1)$ , then from (18<sub>5</sub>), we obtain the relation  $\psi(t(m)) = \omega_{l_m \times 2^{l_m}, l_m}^{(4)}(t(m))$ , and relation (16<sub>4</sub>) implies that at least one of the inequalities  $\varphi(t(m)) \geq \bar{E}(t(m))$  and  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) \geq \zeta(t(m))/2$  is valid. Then the estimate (30) or (31), respectively, holds. If  $t(m) \in P_2^{(1)}(1, l_m + 1)$ , then  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) = \zeta(t(m))/2$ ; consequently, the estimate (31) is valid. If  $t(m)$  lies in the strip  $P_3^{(1)}(1, l_m + 1)$ , then  $\psi(t(m)) = \omega_{1, l_m+1}^{(1)}(t(m))$ , and either  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) \geq \zeta(t(m))/2$  or  $\varphi(t(m)) \geq \underline{E}(t(m))$ . We obtain the estimate (31) in the first case and the estimate (28) in the other.

We have thereby proved the estimate (28) and the necessary property  $\beta^{(1)}(d) \geq 0$  for all  $m \in N$ ,  $1 < l_m \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ . The second condition in definition (5) of the lower characteristic exponent of the vector  $d$  is realized on the above-constructed sequence  $\tau(m)$ . We have thereby

proved the inclusion  $D_\infty^{(1)} \subset \underline{D}_x(p')$ , which implies that the set  $D_\infty^{(1)}$  is everywhere dense on the curve  $D^{(1)}$ , the curves  $D^{(1)}$  and  $\underline{D}_x(p')$  are continuous, and  $D^{(1)}$  is contained in the set  $\underline{D}_x(p')$ . In the case of a curve  $D^{(1)}$  of the form (1<sub>1</sub>) or (2<sub>1</sub>), the last fact implies that  $\underline{D}_x(p') = D^{(1)}$ .

Now let us show that, in the case of a curve  $D^{(1)}$  of the form (3<sub>1</sub>), the left boundary lower exponent set  $\underline{D}_x(p')$  is not larger than this curve. We take an arbitrary exponent  $d \in \underline{D}_x(p')$ . Then we obtain the inequality  $\Delta_2^{(1)}(0, 0) - d_2 \geq 0$  along some sequence  $\{t(m)\} \uparrow +\infty$  of the form  $t(m) = \left(t_1(m), t_1(m)^3 \sqrt[3]{t_1(m)}\right)$ ,  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(1)}(l_m)$ . Since  $\underline{D}_x(p')$  is a closed strictly monotone decreasing curve, we have the coincidence  $\underline{D}_x(p') = D^{(1)}$  in this case as well.

By the above-represented method, one can also prove the coincidence of the right boundary lower exponent set  $\underline{D}_x(p'')$  with the given curve  $D^{(2)}$ .

4.2. *The Proof of the Coincidence of the Left and Right Boundary Upper Exponent Sets  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda')$  and  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda'')$  with the Curves  $D^{(3)}$  and  $D^{(4)}$ , Respectively*

For example, let us show that  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda') = D^{(3)}$ . The relation  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda'') = D^{(4)}$  can be proved in a similar way. We take an arbitrary point  $d$  of the partition  $D_\infty^{(3)}$  of the curve  $D^{(3)}$  and show that it belongs to the set  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda')$ .

We set

$$\beta^{(3)}(d) \equiv \overline{\lim}_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln |x(t)| - t_1 - 2t_2 - (d, \ln t)}{\|\ln t\|}$$

for the upper limit occurring in definition (4) of the left upper characteristic exponent and show that  $\beta^{(3)}(d) = 0$ .

It follows from the definition of the partition  $D_\infty^{(3)}$  that there exists an index  $l(d) \in N$  such that  $d \in D_l^{(3)}$  for all  $l \geq l(d)$  and  $d \notin D_l^{(3)}$  for all  $l < l(d)$ . Let  $d$  be the  $i_m$ th point of the  $(l(d) + m)$ th partition,  $m \in N$ . In each strip  $\Pi^{(3)}(i_m, l(d) + m)$  in which the function  $\ln \psi(t)$  is defined on the basis of the point  $d = \Delta^{(3)}(i_m, l(d) + m)$ , we take a point  $\tau(m)$  defined as follows. If the slope  $k^{(3)}(d)$  of the curve  $D^{(3)}$  at the point  $d$  is not equal to  $-1$ , then  $\tau(m)$  is chosen on the curve  $\ln t_2 / \ln t_1 = 1 / |k^{(3)}(d)| < 1$ ; otherwise, we choose it on the line  $t_2 / t_1 = 1 / (2e)$ . We obtain a sequence  $\{\tau(m)\} \uparrow +\infty$  such that, by (13<sub>2</sub>),  $\ln \psi(\tau(m)) = (d, \ln \tau(m))$ ,  $\ln \varphi(\tau(m)) = \bar{E}(\tau(m))$ , and

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x(\tau(m)) - \tau_1(m) - 2\tau_2(m) - (d, \ln \tau(m))}{\|\ln \tau(m)\|} = 0.$$

We have thereby proved the inequality  $\beta^{(3)}(d) \geq 0$ .

Let us now prove the opposite inequality  $\beta^{(3)}(d) \leq 0$ . By using constructions similar to those in Lemma 1 in [3], one can show that there exists a sequence  $\{t(m)\} \uparrow +\infty$  realizing the upper limit  $\beta^{(3)}(d)$  and satisfying the condition  $t_j(m) \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ . Therefore, without loss of generality, we can assume that

$$|(d, \ln t(m))| \leq \|t(m)\|^{2/3}, \quad m \in N, \tag{32_1}$$

$$t_2(m) \geq \max\{\zeta_0, 128\}, \quad m \in N, \tag{32_2}$$

and, in the case of the curve  $D^{(3)}$  of the form (3<sub>3</sub>),

$$\left(\Delta^{(3)}(0, 0) - d, \left(\sqrt[3]{t_2(m)}, 1\right)\right) \leq 0, \quad m \in N. \tag{32_3}$$

Again without loss of generality, we assume that the  $t(m)$  belong to strips of the quadrant  $R_{>1}^2$  with distinct indices  $l_m$ ,  $1 < l_m < l_{m+1} \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $m \rightarrow +\infty$ , and  $d \in D^{(3)}(l_m)$ ,  $m \in N$ . If the sequence  $\{t(m)\}$  has an infinite subsequence  $\{t(m_j)\}$  such that  $\ln \psi(t(m_j)) - (d, \ln t(m_j)) \leq 0$ , then the desired inequality  $\beta^{(3)}(d) \leq 0$  is obvious in view of the estimate  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) - t_1(m) - 2t_2(m) \leq 0$ . Therefore, we assume that

$$\ln \psi(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) > 0 \quad \forall m \in N. \tag{33}$$

We take some  $m \in N$  and suppose that  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $\Pi^{(3)}(l_m)$  used in the realization of the left boundary upper exponent set  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda') = D^{(3)}$ . Suppose that the curve  $D^{(3)}$  has the form (1<sub>3</sub>) or (2<sub>3</sub>). If  $t(m)$  lies in the “main” strip  $\Pi^{(3)}(i_m, l_m)$ , then from (33), we have  $\ln \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) > 0$ , which, together with (14<sub>2</sub>), implies that  $t(m) \in S\Pi^{(3)}(i_m, l_m)$ . Now it follows from (12<sub>2</sub>) that  $\left| \ln t_2(m) / \ln t_1(m) - \Theta_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)} \right| \leq \Delta_2(l)$ . Since the curve  $D^{(3)}$  is convex, it follows that the point  $d \in D^{(3)}$  does not lie below the tangent to the curve  $D^{(3)}$  at the point  $\Delta^{(3)}(i_m, l_m) \in D^{(3)}$ . Therefore,  $\Delta_1^{(3)}(i_m, l_m) - d_1 + \Theta_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)} \left( \Delta_2^{(3)}(i_m, l_m) - d_2 \right) \leq 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((1, 2), d, t(m)) &= \ln \bar{E}(t(m)) - t_1(m) - 2t_2(m) + \ln \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\leq -\ln(e^{t_2(m)-t_1(m)} + 1) + (\Delta^{(3)}(i_m, l_m) - d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\leq \left[ \left\{ \left( \Delta_1^{(3)}(i_m, l_m) - d_1 \right) + \Theta_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)} \left( \Delta_2^{(3)}(i_m, l_m) - d_2 \right) \right\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left( \Delta_2^{(3)}(i_m, l_m) - d_2 \right) \left( \frac{\ln t_2(m)}{\ln t_1(m)} - \Theta_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)} \right) \right] \ln t_1(m) \\ &\leq \left| \Delta_2^{(3)}(i_m, l_m) - d_2 \right| \left| \frac{\ln t_2(m)}{\ln t_1(m)} - \Theta_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)} \right| \ln t_1(m) \leq 2^{-l_m} \|\ln t(m)\|. \end{aligned}$$

If  $t(m)$  belongs to the transition strip  $P^{(3)}(i_m + 1, l_m)$ ,  $i_m \in I_{l_m}^1$ , and  $\psi_{i_m+1, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m)) \leq \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m))$ , then from the inequality  $\psi(t(m)) \leq \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m))$ , one can obtain the estimate

$$R_x((1, 2), d, t(m)) \leq 2^{-l_m} \|\ln t(m)\| \tag{34}$$

just as for the case in which  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(3)}(i_m, l_m)$ . But if  $\psi_{i_m+1, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m)) > \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m))$ , then it follows from (33), (18<sub>1</sub>), and (17) that  $\ln \psi_{i_m+1, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) > 0$ . By using the same argument as for the case in which  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(3)}(i_m, l_m)$  and by writing out the equation of the tangent to the curve  $D^{(3)}$  at the point  $\Delta^{(3)}(i_m + 1, l_m)$ , we obtain the estimate (34). Now we suppose that the curve  $D^{(3)}$  has the form (3<sub>3</sub>) and  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $\Pi^{(3)}(l_m)$ . If either  $\ln t_1(m) \leq \sqrt[3]{t_2(m)} \ln t_2(m)$  or the inequalities  $\ln t_1(m) > \sqrt[3]{t_2(m)} \ln t_2(m)$  and  $(\Delta^{(3)}(0, 0), \ln t(m)) \leq \ln u_{l_m}^{(3)}(t(m))$  are valid, then it follows from (18<sub>2</sub>) that  $\psi(t(m)) \leq u_{l_m}^{(3)}(t(m))$ , which implies (34). But if  $\ln t_1(m) > \sqrt[3]{t_2(m)} \ln t_2(m)$  and  $(\Delta^{(3)}(0, 0), \ln t(m)) > \ln u_{l_m}^{(3)}(t(m))$ , then from (32<sub>3</sub>), we have

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((1, 2), d, t(m)) &\leq (\Delta^{(3)}(0, 0) - d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\leq \left( \Delta^{(3)}(0, 0) - d, \left( \sqrt[3]{t_2(m)}, 1 \right) \right) \ln t_2(m) \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

We have thereby proved the estimate (34) for  $R_x((1, 2), d, t(m))$  with  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(3)}(l_m)$ .

Now let  $t(m)$  belong to the strip  $\Pi^{(4)}(l_m)$  used in the realization of the right boundary upper exponent set  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda'') = D^{(4)}$ . Suppose that the curve  $D^{(4)}$  has the form (1<sub>4</sub>) or (2<sub>4</sub>). If  $t(m)$  lies in the strip  $\Pi^{(4)}(i_m, l_m)$ , then it follows from (33), (18<sub>1</sub>), and (17) that

$$\ln \psi_{i_m, l_m}^{(4)}(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) > 0;$$

consequently,  $t(m) \in S\Pi^{(4)}(i_m, l_m)$ . From (11<sub>1</sub>), we have the inequality  $t_2(m) \geq et_1(m)$ , which, together with (23), (32<sub>1</sub>), and (32<sub>2</sub>), implies that

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((1, 2), d, t(m)) &\leq \ln \bar{E}(t(m)) - t_1(m) - 2t_2(m) + \ln \psi(t(m)) + (d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\leq -\ln(e^{t_2(m)-t_1(m)} + 1) + 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \leq t_2^{2/3}(m) \left( -t_2^{1/3}(m) + 4\sqrt[3]{2} \right) / 2 \leq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

If  $t(m)$  lies in the strip  $P^{(4)}(i_m + 1, l_m)$ ,  $i \in I_{l_m}^1$ , then it follows from (18<sub>1</sub>), (17), (33), and (14<sub>2</sub>) that either  $t(m) \in S\Pi^{(4)}(i_m, l_m)$  or  $t(m) \in S\Pi^{(4)}(i_m + 1, l_m)$ , and each of these inclusions, together with (11<sub>1</sub>), implies that  $t_2(m) \geq et_1(m)$ . Then, just as for the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $\Pi^{(4)}(i_m, l_m)$ , one can prove the estimate (35). But if the curve  $D^{(4)}$  has the form (3<sub>4</sub>) and  $\ln t_2(m) \leq \sqrt[3]{t_1(m)} \ln t_1(m)$ , then, by using the relation  $\psi(t(m)) = u_{i_m}^{(4)}(t(m))$ , we obtain (35). If  $\ln t_2(m) > \sqrt[3]{t_1(m)} \ln t_1(m)$ , then it follows from (13<sub>1</sub>) that  $t_2(m) > t_1(m) \sqrt[3]{t_1(m)} \geq 2et_1(m)$ , which implies (35).

We have thereby proved the estimate (35) for the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $\Pi^{(4)}(l_m)$ .

Now consider the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to the strips  $\underline{\Pi}(l_m)$  used for the realization of lower boundary exponent sets. By estimating the quantity  $R_x((1, 2), d, t(m))$  from above and by using (23), (32<sub>1</sub>), and (32<sub>2</sub>), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((1, 2), d, t(m)) &\leq \ln \underline{E}(t(m)) + \ln \psi(t(m)) - t_1(m) - 2t_2(m) - (d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\leq \ln 2 - t_1(m) - 2t_2(m) + 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \leq \ln 2 - t_2(m) - \|t(m)\| + 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \leq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

If  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $P^{(4)}(1, l_m)$  lying between the strips  $\Pi^{(3)}(l_m)$  and  $\Pi^{(4)}(l_m)$ , then it follows from (18<sub>3</sub>) that at least one of the inequalities  $\psi(t(m)) \leq \omega_{l_m \times 2^{l_m}, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m))$  and  $\psi(t(m)) \leq \omega_{1, l_m}^{(4)}(t(m))$  is valid. If the first inequality holds, then, just as for the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $\Pi^{(3)}(l_m)$ , one can prove the estimate (34). In the case of the second inequality, by using the relation  $\varphi(t(m)) = \bar{E}(t(m))$  and by following the argument for the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $\Pi^{(4)}(l_m)$ , one obtains the estimate (35).

Now let  $t(m)$  belong to the strip  $P^{(3)}(1, l_m)$  lying between the strips  $\underline{\Pi}(l_m)$  and  $\bar{\Pi}(l_m)$ . If  $t(m) \in P_1^{(3)}(1, l_m)$ , then it follows from (18<sub>4</sub>) that  $\psi(t(m)) = \omega_{l_m \times 2^{l_m}, l_m}^{(2)}(t(m))$ , and relation (16<sub>3</sub>) implies that one of the inequalities  $\varphi(t(m)) \leq \underline{E}(t(m))$  and  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) \leq \zeta(t(m))/2$  is valid. In the case of the first inequality, arguing as in the case of the inclusion  $t(m) \in \underline{\Pi}(l_m)$ , we prove (36). But if the second inequality is valid, then, by using (23), (32<sub>1</sub>), and (32<sub>2</sub>), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} R_x((1, 2), d, t(m)) &\leq \zeta(t(m))/2 - t_1(m) - 2t_2(m) + \ln \psi(t(m)) - (d, \ln t(m)) \\ &\leq -(t_1(m) + 3t_2(m))/2 + 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \leq -\|t(m)\|/2 + 2\|t(m)\|^{2/3} \leq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{37}$$

Let  $t(m) \in P_2^{(3)}(1, l_m)$ . Then  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) = \zeta(t(m))/2$ , and consequently, inequality (37) is valid. But if  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $P_3^{(3)}(1, l_m)$ , then  $\psi(t(m)) = \omega_{1, l_m}^{(3)}(t(m))$ , and at least one of the inequalities  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) \leq \zeta(t(m))/2$  and  $\varphi(t(m)) \leq \bar{E}(t(m))$  is valid. In the case of the first inequality, we again obtain the estimate (37), and in the other case, arguing as in the case of the inclusion  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(3)}(l_m)$ , we prove the estimate (34).

Now let  $t(m)$  belong to the strip  $P^{(1)}(1, l_m + 1)$  lying between the strips  $\bar{\Pi}(l_m)$  and  $\underline{\Pi}(l_m + 1)$ . If  $t(m) \in P_1^{(1)}(1, l_m + 1)$ , then it follows from (18<sub>5</sub>) and (16<sub>4</sub>) that  $\psi(t(m)) = \omega_{l_m \times 2^{l_m}, l_m}^{(4)}(t(m))$  and at least one of the inequalities  $\varphi(t(m)) \leq \bar{E}(t(m))$  and  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) \leq \zeta(t(m))/2$  is valid. If the first inequality holds, then we obtain the estimate (35) just as for the case in which  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(4)}(l_m)$ . In the case of the second inequality, we have the estimate (37). If  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $P_2^{(1)}(1, l_m + 1)$ , then  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) = \zeta(t(m))/2$ , which implies (37). But if  $t(m) \in P_3^{(1)}(1, l_m + 1)$ , then  $\psi(t(m)) = \omega_{1, l_m+1}^{(1)}(t(m))$  and at least one of the inequalities  $\ln \varphi(t(m)) \leq \zeta(t(m))/2$  and  $\varphi(t(m)) \leq \underline{E}(t(m))$  is valid. In the first case, we have (37), and in the second case, we obtain (36) just as for the case in which  $t(m)$  belongs to the strip  $\underline{\Pi}(l_m)$ .

We have thereby proved the inequality  $\beta^{(3)}(d) \leq 0$  and the first condition in definition (4) of the upper characteristic exponent for a vector  $d$ . The second condition in this definition is realized along the above-constructed sequence  $\tau(m)$ . We have thereby proved that the left boundary upper exponent set  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda')$  coincides with the given curve  $D^{(3)}$  on the everywhere dense set  $D_\infty^{(3)}$ . This, together with the continuity of the curves  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda')$  and  $D^{(3)}$ , implies that  $D^{(3)} \subset \bar{D}_x(\lambda')$ . In the

case of the curve  $D^{(3)}$  of the form (1<sub>3</sub>) or (2<sub>3</sub>), we have  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda') = D^{(3)}$ . Let us show that, in the case of the curve  $D^{(3)}$  of the form (3<sub>3</sub>), the left boundary upper exponent set  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda')$  cannot be larger than this curve as well. We take an arbitrary exponent  $d \in \bar{D}_x(\lambda')$ . Then from the first condition in definition (4) of the upper characteristic exponent, we have  $\Delta_1^{(3)}(0, 0) - d_1 \leq 0$  along some sequence  $\{t(m)\} \uparrow +\infty$  of the form  $t(m) = (t_2(m)^3 \sqrt[3]{t_2(m)}, t_2(m))$ ,  $t(m) \in \Pi^{(3)}(l_m)$ . Since  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda')$  is a closed curve and is strictly monotone decreasing, we have  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda') = D^{(3)}$  in this case as well.

5. CONSTRUCTION OF THE EQUATION.  
BOUNDEDNESS OF THE COEFFICIENTS

The function  $x(t) > 0$  constructed in the preceding is a solution of Eq. (1<sub>1</sub>) with coefficients

$$a_k(t) = \frac{1}{x(t)} \frac{\partial x(t)}{\partial t_k} = \frac{\partial \ln x(t)}{\partial t_k}, \quad t \in R_{>1}^2, \quad k = 1, 2,$$

satisfying the total integrability condition in view of the infinite differentiability of  $\ln x(t)$  in  $R_{>1}^2$ . Let us prove the boundedness of the coefficients.

We first show that the derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \varphi(t)$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ , are bounded. Obviously, we have the estimates

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \underline{E}(t) \right| = \left| \frac{e^{-t_k}}{e^{-t_1} + e^{-t_2}} \right| \leq 1, \quad t \in R_{>1}^2, \tag{38_1}$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \bar{E}(t) \right| = \left| 1 + \frac{e^{-t_k}}{e^{-t_1} + e^{-t_2}} \right| \leq 2, \quad t \in R_{>1}^2, \tag{38_2}$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \left( \frac{\zeta(t)}{2} \right) \right| = \frac{1}{2}, \quad t \in R_{>1}^2. \tag{38_3}$$

From inequality (L<sub>1</sub>) in the lemma, we obtain the estimates

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\zeta(t)}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} e_{01}(\ln \zeta(t); \xi_1, \xi_2) \right| &\leq 2, \\ \left| \ln \underline{E}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} e_{01}(\ln \zeta(t); \xi_1, \xi_2) \right| &\leq \frac{4 \ln 2}{\zeta(t)} \leq 2 \ln 2, \\ \left| \ln \bar{E}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} e_{01}(\ln \zeta(t); \xi_1, \xi_2) \right| &\leq 4 + 2 \ln 2, \quad t \in R_{>1}^2, \end{aligned}$$

on each interval  $[\xi_1, \xi_2]$  of length  $\xi_2 - \xi_1 \geq 2$ . These estimates, together with (16<sub>1</sub>)–(16<sub>5</sub>) and inequalities (38<sub>1</sub>)–(38<sub>3</sub>), imply that the derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \varphi(t)$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ , are bounded.

Now let us show that the derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \psi(t)$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ , are also bounded. We first estimate the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t)$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ , in the strip  $\Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ . Taking account of (8<sub>1,1</sub>)–(8<sub>2,2</sub>), we note that the inner product  $(\Delta^{(q)}(i, l), \ln t)$  occurs in the definition of the function  $\ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t)$  only in the sector  $\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l)$  defined as follows. If the slope  $k^{(q)}(i, l)$  is not equal to  $-1$ , then we set

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l) &\equiv \left\{ t \in R_{>1}^2 : \left| \frac{\ln t_2}{\ln t_1} - \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} \right| \leq \tau_l^{(q)} + \frac{1}{4} \right\}, \quad q = 1, 4, \\ \tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l) &\equiv \left\{ t \in R_{>1}^2 : \left| \frac{\ln t_2}{\ln t_1} - \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} \right| \leq \tau_l^{(q)} + \frac{\Omega_l^{(q)}}{4} \right\}, \quad q = 2, 3. \end{aligned}$$

If  $k^{(q)}(i, l) = -1$ , then we set  $\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l) \equiv \{t \in R_{>1}^2 : e - 2 \leq t_2/t_1 \leq 4e\}$  for  $q = 1, 4$  and  $\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l) \equiv \{t \in R_{>1}^2 : 1/(4e) \leq t_2/t_1 \leq 1/e + 1/2\}$  for  $q = 2, 3$ . Since  $\zeta(t) \geq \mu_l^{(q)} \exp(\exp(2))$  in the strip  $\Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , we have the estimates

$$t_k \geq \nu_l^{(q)}, \quad k = 1, 2, \tag{39}$$

in the intersection  $\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l) \cap \Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ . It was proved in [2] that the partial derivatives of the function  $\ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t)$ ,  $q = 1, 4$ , given by (8<sub>1,1</sub>) and (9<sub>1</sub>) are bounded in the strip  $\Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

Let us now estimate the partial derivatives of the function  $\ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t)$ ,  $q = 2, 3$ , given by (8<sub>2,1</sub>) and (9<sub>2</sub>). From the partition of the quadrant  $R_{>1}^2$ , inequalities (39), and the relation  $\nu_l^{(q)} \geq 1$  for  $t \in \tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l) \cap \Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , we obtain the estimates

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} (\Delta^{(q)}(i, l), \ln t) \right| = \frac{|\Delta_k^{(q)}(i, l)|}{t_k} \leq \frac{\Delta_1(l)}{\nu_l^{(q)}} \leq 1, \quad k = 1, 2. \tag{40}$$

We also have the obvious estimates

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \|\ln t\|^2 = \frac{2 \ln t_k}{t_k} \leq 2, \quad k = 1, 2. \tag{41}$$

By using the first inequality in the lemma, inequality (39), and the relations  $\Omega_l^{(q)}/4 \leq \ln t_2/\ln t_1 \leq 2$  and  $\tau_l^{(q)} \leq \Omega_l^{(q)}/2$ , we obtain the estimates

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (\Delta^{(q)}(i, l), \ln t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} \left( 1 - e_{01} \left( \frac{\ln t_2}{\ln t_1}; \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} + \tau_l^{(q)}, \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} + \tau_l^{(q)} + \frac{\Omega_l^{(q)}}{4} \right) \right) \right| \\ & \leq 2 \|\Delta^{(q)}(i, l)\| (\ln t_1 + \ln t_2) \exp \left[ 32 \left( \Omega_l^{(q)} \right)^{-2} \right] \frac{\ln t_2}{t_1 \ln^2 t_1} \leq 12 \Delta_1(l) \frac{\exp \left[ 8 \left( \tau_l^{(q)} \right)^{-2} \right]}{\nu_l^{(q)}} \leq 1, \end{aligned} \tag{42_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (\Delta^{(q)}(i, l), \ln t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t_2} \left( 1 - e_{01} \left( \frac{\ln t_2}{\ln t_1}; \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} + \tau_l^{(q)}, \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} + \tau_l^{(q)} + \frac{\Omega_l^{(q)}}{4} \right) \right) \right| \\ & \leq 2 \Delta_1(l) (\ln t_1 + \ln t_2) \frac{\exp \left[ 32 \left( \Omega_l^{(q)} \right)^{-2} \right]}{t_2 \ln t_1} \leq 1, \end{aligned} \tag{42_2}$$

$$\left| (\Delta^{(q)}(i, l), \ln t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} e_{01} \left( \frac{\ln t_2}{\ln t_1}; \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} - \tau_l^{(q)} - \frac{\Omega_l^{(q)}}{4}, \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} - \tau_l^{(q)} \right) \right| \leq 1, \quad k = 1, 2, \tag{42_3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\ln t\|^2 \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} e_{01} \left( \frac{\ln t_2}{\ln t_1}; \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)}, \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} + \tau_l^{(q)} \right) \right| & \leq 2 \exp \left[ 2 \left( \tau_l^{(q)} \right)^{-2} \right] \frac{\ln t_2}{t_1 \ln^2 t_1} (\ln^2 t_1 + \ln^2 t_2) \\ & \leq 20 \exp \left[ 2 \left( \tau_l^{(q)} \right)^{-2} \right] \frac{\ln t_1}{t_1} \leq 1, \end{aligned} \tag{42_4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\ln t\|^2 \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t_2} e_{01} \left( \frac{\ln t_2}{\ln t_1}; \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)}, \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} + \tau_l^{(q)} \right) \right| & \leq \frac{2 \exp \left[ 2 \left( \tau_l^{(q)} \right)^{-2} \right]}{t_2 \ln t_1} (\ln^2 t_1 + \ln^2 t_2) \\ & \leq 40 \exp \left[ 2 \left( \tau_l^{(q)} \right)^{-2} \right] \frac{\ln t_2}{\Omega_l^{(q)} t_2} \leq 1, \end{aligned} \tag{42_5}$$

$$\|\ln t\|^2 \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \left( 1 - e_{01} \left( \frac{\ln t_2}{\ln t_1}; \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} - \tau_l^{(q)}, \Theta_{i,l}^{(q)} \right) \right) \right| \leq 1, \quad k = 1, 2, \tag{42_6}$$

in the intersection  $\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l) \cap \Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 2, 3$ .

The estimates (40), (41), and (42<sub>1</sub>)–(42<sub>6</sub>) and relations (6) and (7) imply that the partial derivatives of the function  $\ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t)$ ,  $q = 2, 3$ , given by (8<sub>2,1</sub>) and (9<sub>2</sub>) are bounded in the strip  $\Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 2, 3$ .

Let us now show that the partial derivatives of the function  $\ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t)$ ,  $q = 1, 4$ , given by (8<sub>1,2</sub>) are bounded in the strip  $\Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 4$ . By using the second inequality in the lemma, we obtain the estimates

$$\begin{aligned} \left| (\Delta^{(q)}(i, l), \ln t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} \left( 1 - e_{01} \left( \frac{t_2}{t_1}; 3e, 4e \right) \right) \right| &\leq 4\Delta_1(l) \frac{(\ln t_1 + \ln t_2) t_2}{t_1^2} \\ &\leq 16e \frac{\Delta_1(l)}{\sqrt{\nu_l^{(q)}}} \frac{2 \ln t_1 + \ln 4e}{\sqrt{t_1}} \leq 1, \\ \left| (\Delta^{(q)}(i, l), \ln t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t_2} \left( 1 - e_{01} \left( \frac{t_2}{t_1}; 3e, 4e \right) \right) \right| &\leq 4\Delta_1(l) \frac{\ln t_1 + \ln t_2}{t_1} \leq 4 \frac{\Delta_1(l)}{\sqrt{\nu_l^{(q)}}} \frac{2 \ln t_1 + \ln 4e}{\sqrt{t_1}} \leq 1, \\ \left| (\Delta^{(q)}(i, l), \ln t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} e_{01} \left( \frac{t_2}{t_1}; e - 2, e \right) \right| &\leq 1, \quad k = 1, 2, \end{aligned}$$

in the intersection  $\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l) \cup \Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ , which, together with the obvious estimates

$$\| \ln t \|^2 \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} e_{101} \left( \frac{t_2}{t_1}; e, 2e, 3e \right) \right| \leq 1, \quad t \in \tilde{S}^{(q)}(i, l) \cap \Pi L^{(q)}(i, l), \quad k = 1, 2,$$

imply that the partial derivatives of the function  $\ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t)$ ,  $q = 1, 4$ , given by (8<sub>1,2</sub>) are bounded in the strip  $\Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 4$ .

In a similar way, by using the first inequality in the lemma, one can show that the partial derivatives of the function  $\ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t)$ ,  $q = 2, 3$ , given by (8<sub>2,2</sub>) are bounded in the strip  $\Pi L^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 2, 3$ .

In view of (17), we have thereby shown that the partial derivatives of the function  $\ln u_l^{(q)}(t)$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , are bounded in each “main” strip  $\Pi^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ . Again in view of (17), to prove the boundedness of these partial derivatives in the “transition” strip  $P^{(q)}(i + 1, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l^1$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , it suffices to justify the boundedness of the products

$$\left[ \ln \psi_{i+1,l}^{(q)}(t) - \ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t) \right] \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} e_{01} \left( \ln \zeta(t); \ln \alpha_{i+1,l}^{(q)}, \ln \beta_{i+1,l}^{(q)} \right), \quad k = 1, 2.$$

Since  $\ln \beta_{i+1,l}^{(q)} - \ln \alpha_{i+1,l}^{(q)} = \ln e^6 = 6 > 2$  and  $\zeta(t) \geq \nu_l^{(q)} \geq c$  for all  $t \in P^{(q)}(i + 1, l)$ , it follows from the second inequality in the lemma that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \ln \psi_{j,l}^{(q)}(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} e_{01} \left( \ln \zeta(t); \ln \alpha_{i+1,l}^{(q)}, \ln \beta_{i+1,l}^{(q)} \right) \right| \\ \leq 4 \frac{\Delta_1(l) (\ln t_1 + \ln t_2) \chi_{\tilde{S}^{(q)}(j,l)}(t) + \| \ln t \|^2}{\zeta(t)} \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\chi_{\tilde{S}^{(q)}(j,l)}(t)$  is the characteristic function of the set  $\tilde{S}^{(q)}(j, l)$  and  $j = i, i + 1$ . These estimates, together with the boundedness of the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t)$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \psi_{i+1,l}^{(q)}(t)$  in the “transition” strip  $P^{(q)}(i + 1, l)$ , imply that the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln u_l^{(q)}(t)$  are also bounded in this strip.

We have thereby proved that, by definition (18<sub>1</sub>) of the function  $\psi(t)$ , the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \psi(t)$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ , are bounded in the strip  $\Pi^{(q)}(l)$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , in the case of the curve  $D^{(q)}$  of the form (1<sub>q</sub>) or (2<sub>q</sub>).

Let us now prove the boundedness of the derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \psi(t)$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ , in the strip  $\Pi^{(q)}(l)$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , for the case in which the curve  $D^{(q)}$  has the form (3<sub>q</sub>). In each strip  $\Pi^{(q)}(i, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 4$ , we have the estimates

$$\begin{aligned} \left| (\Delta^{(q)}(0, 0), \ln t) \frac{\partial \chi^{(q)}(t)}{\partial t_1} \right| &\leq 4 \|\Delta^{(q)}(0, 0)\| (\ln t_1 + \ln t_2) \frac{\ln t_2}{3t_1^{4/3} \ln^2 t_1} (\ln t_1 + 3) \\ &\leq 4 \|\Delta^{(q)}(0, 0)\| \frac{\ln t_1 + 3 + 3\sqrt[3]{t_1} \ln t_1 + 9\sqrt[3]{t_1}}{t_1} \leq \|\Delta^{(q)}(0, 0)\| b, \\ \left| (\Delta^{(q)}(0, 0), \ln t) \frac{\partial \chi^{(q)}(t)}{\partial t_2} \right| &\leq 4 \|\Delta^{(q)}(0, 0)\| \frac{\ln t_1 + \ln t_2}{\sqrt[3]{t_1} t_2 \ln t_1} \leq 4 \|\Delta^{(q)}(0, 0)\| \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{t_1} t_2} + \frac{3}{t_2} \right) \\ &\leq \|\Delta^{(q)}(0, 0)\| b, \\ \left| \ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t) \frac{\partial \chi^{(q)}(t)}{\partial t_1} \right| &\leq 4 (\Delta_1(l) (\ln t_1 + \ln t_2) \chi_{\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i,l)}(t) + \|\ln t\|^2) \frac{\ln t_2}{3t_1^{4/3} \ln^2 t_1} (\ln t_1 + 3) \\ &\leq 4 \frac{\Delta_1(l)}{t_1} \chi_{\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i,l)}(t) (\ln t_1 + 3 + 3\sqrt[3]{t_1} \ln t_1 + 9\sqrt[3]{t_1}) \\ &\quad + \frac{4 (\ln^2 t_1 + 3 \ln t_1 + 9 (\sqrt[3]{t_1})^2 \ln^2 t_1 + 27 (\sqrt[3]{t_1})^2 \ln t_1)}{t_1} \\ &\leq \chi_{\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i,l)}(t) + b, \\ \left| \ln \psi_{i,l}^{(q)}(t) \frac{\partial \chi^{(q)}(t)}{\partial t_2} \right| &\leq \frac{4 (\Delta_1(l) (\ln t_1 + \ln t_2) \chi_{\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i,l)}(t) + \|\ln t\|^2)}{\sqrt[3]{t_1} t_2 \ln t_1} \\ &\leq 4 \left( \Delta_1(l) \chi_{\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i,l)}(t) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{t_1} t_2} + \frac{3}{t_2} \right) + \frac{\ln t_1}{\sqrt[3]{t_1}} + \frac{3 \ln t_2}{t_2} \right) \\ &\leq \chi_{\tilde{S}^{(q)}(i,l)}(t) + b \end{aligned}$$

with some constant  $b > 0$ . Similar estimates can be proved for  $q = 2, 3$ . These estimates, together with the boundedness of the derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln u_l^{(q)}(t)$  in the strip  $\Pi^{(q)}(l)$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , imply that the derivatives of the function  $\ln \psi(t)$  are bounded in this strip for the case in which the curve  $D^{(q)}$  has the form (3<sub>q</sub>).

Taking account of the definition of the “transition” strips  $P^{(q)}(1, l)$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , and using the same considerations as for the strips  $P^{(q)}(i + 1, l)$ ,  $i \in I_l^1$ ,  $l \in N$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , one can show that the derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_k} \ln \psi(t)$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ , are also bounded in these strips.

We have thereby proved that the coefficients  $a_i(t)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , are bounded in the entire quadrant  $R_{>1}^2$ . The proof of Theorem 1 is complete.

Theorem 1 implies that the boundary exponent sets of a solution can have an arbitrary relative position, unlike characteristics sets, whose arrangement is subjected to the condition [4]

$$\sup \{p_i : p \in P_x\} \leq \inf \{\lambda_i : \lambda \in \Lambda_x\}, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

The following assertion provides a complete joint description of boundary exponent sets.

**Theorem 2.** *Given sets  $D^{(q)}$ ,  $q = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , are the left and right boundary lower exponent sets  $\underline{D}_x(p')$  and  $\underline{D}_x(p'')$  and the left and right boundary upper exponent sets  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda')$  and  $\bar{D}_x(\lambda'')$ , respectively, of some nontrivial solution  $x(t)$ , whose lower characteristic set  $P_x$  and characteristic set*

$\Lambda_x$  are assumed to consist of more than one point, of some completely integrable Pfaff system (1) with bounded continuously differentiable coefficients if and only if the sets  $D^{(1)}$  and  $D^{(2)}$  (respectively, the sets  $D^{(3)}$  and  $D^{(4)}$ ) either are empty or can be represented in the form of closed upper (respectively, lower) convex monotone decreasing curves on a two-dimensional plane which are unbounded on the right and below (respectively, on the left and above) and whose slope at each interior point is negative and is not less (for  $D^{(1)}$  and  $D^{(4)}$ ) or not greater (for  $D^{(2)}$  and  $D^{(3)}$ ) than  $-1$ .

**Remark.** The set  $I_l = \{0, 1, \dots, l \times 2^l\}$  used in [2] should have the form  $I_l = \{1, \dots, l \times 2^l\}$ .

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