

ON ONE PROBLEM OF STATICS OF THE THEORY OF ELASTIC MIXTURES  
FOR A SQUARE WHICH IS WEAKENED BY A HOLE AND BY CUTTINGS AT  
VERTICES

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**Abstract.** In the present work we consider the problem of statics of the linear theory of elastic mixtures for a square which is weakened by a hole and by cuttings at vertices about of finding an equally strong contour. The hole and cutting boundaries are assumed to be free from external forces, and to the remaining part of the square boundary are applied the same absolutely rigid punches, subjected to the action of external normal contractive forces with the given principal vectors.

Relying on the analogous to Kolosov-Muskhelishvili's formulas, in the linear theory of elastic mixtures, the problem reduces to a mixed problem of the theory of analytic functions (the Keldysh-Sedov problem), and the solution of the latter allows us to construct complex potentials and equations of an unknown contour efficiently (in analytical form). The analysis of the obtained results is carried out and the formula of tangential normal stress vector is derived.

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### Introduction

The problems of the plane theory of elasticity for infinite domains weakened by equally strong holes have been studied in [1], [8] and also by many other authors. The same problem for simple and doubly-connected domains with partially unknown boundaries are investigated in [2], [9] etc. The mixed boundary value problems of the plane theory of elasticity for domains with partially unknown boundaries have been studied by R. Bantsuri [3]. Analogous problem in the case of the plane theory of elastic mixtures is considered in [16].

In [14], using the method, suggested by R. Bantsuri in [4], the author gives a solution of the mixed problem of the plane theory of elasticity for a finite multiply connected domain with a partially unknown boundary having the axis of symmetry. Analogous problem in the case of the plane theory of elastic mixtures has been studied in [17]. In the work of R. Bantsuri and G. Kapanadze [5] the problem, of statics of the plane theory of elasticity, of finding an equally strong contour for a square which is weakened by a hole and by cuttings at vertices are considered.

In the present work, in the case of the plane theory of elastic mixtures we study the problem, analogous to that solved in [5]. For the solution of the problem the use will be made of the generalized Kolosov-Muskhelishvili's formula [17] and the method, developed in [5].

## 1. Some auxiliary formulas and operators

The homogeneous equation of statics of the theory of elastic mixtures in a complex form looks as follows [7]

$$\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} + \mathcal{K} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{U}}{\partial \bar{z}^2} = 0, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $z = x_1 + ix_2$ ,  $\bar{z} = x_1 - ix_2$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \right)$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \right)$ ,  $U = (u_1 + iu_2, u_3 + iu_4)^T$ ,  $u' = (u_1, u_2)^T$  and  $u'' = (u_3, u_4)^T$  are partial displacements

$$\mathcal{K} = -\frac{1}{2} e m^{-1}, \quad e = \begin{bmatrix} e_4 & e_5 \\ e_5 & e_6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad m^{-1} = \frac{1}{\Delta_0} \begin{bmatrix} m_3 & -m_2 \\ -m_2 & m_1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\Delta_0 = m_1 m_3 - m_2^2, \quad m_k = e_k + \frac{1}{2} e_{3+k}, \quad e_1 = a_2/d_2,$$

$$e_2 = -c/d_2, \quad e_3 = a_1/d_2, \quad d_2 = a_1 a_2 - c^2, \quad a_1 = \mu_1 - \lambda_5, \quad a_2 = \mu_2 - \lambda_5,$$

$$a_3 = \mu_3 + \lambda_5, \quad e_1 + e_4 = b/d_1, \quad e_2 + e_5 = -c_0/d_1, \quad e_3 + e_6 = a/d_1,$$

$$a = a_1 + b_1, \quad b = a_2 + b_2, \quad c_0 = c + d, \quad d_1 = ab - c_0^2,$$

$$b_1 = \mu_1 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_5 - \alpha_2 \rho_2 / \rho, \quad b_2 = \mu_2 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_5 + \alpha_2 \rho_1 / \rho, \quad \alpha_2 = \lambda_3 - \lambda_4,$$

$$\rho = \rho_1 + \rho_2, \quad d = \mu_2 + \lambda_3 - \lambda_5 - \alpha_2 \rho_1 / \rho \equiv \mu_3 + \lambda_4 - \lambda_5 + \alpha_2 \rho_2 / \rho.$$

Here  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \lambda_p, p = \overline{1, 5}$  are elasticity modules, characterizing mechanical properties of a mixture,  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  are its particular densities. The elastic constants  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \lambda_p, p = \overline{1, 5}$  and particular densities  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  will be assumed to satisfy the conditions of inequality [13].

In [6] M. Bashaleishvili obtained the following representations:

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 + iu_2 \\ u_3 + iu_4 \end{pmatrix} = m\varphi(z) + \frac{1}{2} \overline{e\varphi'(z)} + \overline{\psi(z)} \quad (1.2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} TU &= \begin{pmatrix} (Tu)_2 - i(Tu)_1 \\ (Tu)_4 - i(Tu)_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial s(x)} [(A - 2E)\varphi(z) + Bz\overline{\varphi'(z)} + 2\mu\overline{\psi(z)}], \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

where  $\varphi(z) = (\varphi_1, \varphi_2)^T$  and  $\psi(z) = (\psi_1, \psi_2)^T$  are arbitrary analytic vector-functions:

$$A = 2\mu m, \quad \mu = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 & \mu_3 \\ \mu_3 & \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \mu e, \quad m = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 & m_2 \\ m_2 & m_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s(x)} = -n_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + n_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial n(x)} = n_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + n_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}, \quad n = (n_1, n_2)^T$$

are the unit vectors of the other normal,  $(Tu)_p, p = \overline{1, 4}$ , the stress components [6]

$$\begin{aligned} (Tu)_1 &= r'_{11} n_1 + r'_{21} n_2, & (Tu)_2 &= r'_{12} n_1 + r'_{22} n_2, \\ (Tu)_3 &= r''_{11} n_1 + r''_{21} n_2, & (Tu)_4 &= r''_{12} n_1 + r''_{22} n_2, \end{aligned}$$

Consider the following vectors [16] or [17]

$$\begin{pmatrix} (1) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r'_{11} \\ r''_{11} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & c_0 \\ c_0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \theta' \\ \theta'' \end{pmatrix} - 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \mu \begin{pmatrix} u_2 \\ u_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.4)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (2) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r'_{22} \\ r''_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & c_0 \\ c_0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \theta' \\ \theta'' \end{pmatrix} - 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \mu \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (1) \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r'_{21} \\ r''_{21} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & c \\ c & a_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega' \\ \omega'' \end{pmatrix} + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \mu \begin{pmatrix} u_2 \\ u_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.5)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (2) \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r'_{12} \\ r''_{12} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & c \\ c & a_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega' \\ \omega'' \end{pmatrix} + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \mu \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\theta' = \operatorname{div} u', \quad \theta'' = \operatorname{div} u'', \quad \omega' = \operatorname{rot} u', \quad \omega'' = \operatorname{rot} u''.$$

Let  $(\mathbf{n}, S)$  be the right rectangular system, where  $S$  and  $n$  are respectively, the tangent and the normal of the curve  $L$  at the point  $t = t_1 + it_2$ . Assume that  $n = (n_1, n_2)^T = (\cos \alpha, \sin \alpha)^T$  and  $S^0 = (-n_2, n_1)^T = (-\sin \alpha, \cos \alpha)^T$ , where  $\alpha$  is the angle of inclination of the normal  $n$  to the  $ox_1$ -axis.

Introduce the vectors

$$U_n = (u_1 n_1 + u_2 n_2; u_3 n_1 + u_4 n_2)^T, \quad U_s = (u_2 n_1 - u_1 n_2; u_4 n_1 - u_3 n_2)^T; \quad (1.6)$$

$$\sigma_n = \begin{pmatrix} (Tu)_1 n_1 + (Tu)_2 n_2 \\ (Tu)_3 n_1 + (Tu)_4 n_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_s = \begin{pmatrix} (Tu)_2 n_1 - (Tu)_1 n_2 \\ (Tu)_4 n_1 - (Tu)_3 n_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.7)$$

$$\sigma_t = \begin{pmatrix} [r'_{21} n_1 - r'_{11} n_2, & r'_{22} n_1 - r'_{12} n_2]^T S^0 \\ [r''_{21} n_1 - r''_{11} n_2, & r''_{22} n_1 - r''_{12} n_2]^T S^0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1.8)$$

Let us call (1.8) vector the tangential normal stress vector in the linear theory of elastic mixture.

After elementary calculations we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_n &= \begin{pmatrix} (1) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} \cos^2 \alpha + \begin{pmatrix} (2) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} \sin^2 \alpha + \eta \cos \alpha \sin \alpha, \\ \sigma_t &= \begin{pmatrix} (1) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} \sin^2 \alpha + \begin{pmatrix} (2) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} \cos^2 \alpha - \eta \cos \alpha \sin \alpha, \\ \sigma_s &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{pmatrix} (2) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} (1) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} \right) \sin 2\alpha + \frac{1}{2} \eta \cos 2\alpha - \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^* \end{aligned}$$

where  $\eta = \begin{pmatrix} (1) \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} (2) \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\varepsilon^* = \begin{pmatrix} (1) \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} (2) \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}$ .

Direct calculations allow us to check on  $L$  [16]

$$\sigma_n + \sigma_t = \tau = \begin{pmatrix} (1) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} (2) \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} = 2(2E - A - B) \operatorname{Re} \varphi'(t); \quad (1.9)$$

$$\sigma_n + 2\mu \left( \frac{\partial U_s}{\partial s} + \frac{U_n}{\rho_0} \right) + i \left[ \sigma_s - 2\mu \left( \frac{\partial U_n}{\partial s} - \frac{U_s}{\rho_0} \right) \right] = 2\varphi'(t), \quad (1.10)$$

$$[(A - 2E)\varphi(t) + Bt\overline{\varphi'(t)} + 2\mu\overline{\psi(t)}]_L = -i \int_L e^{i\alpha} (\sigma_n + i\sigma_s) ds; \quad (1.11)$$

where  $\det(2E - A - B) > 0$ ,  $\frac{1}{\rho_0}$  is the curvature of  $L$  at the point  $t$ . Everywhere in the sequel it will be assumed that the components  $U_n$  and  $U_s$  are bounded [7].

Formulas (1.2), (1.3) and (1.9), (1.10) are analogous to those of Kolosov-Muskhelishvili in the linear theory of elastic mixture [12].

## 2. Statement of the problem and the method of its solving

Let an isotropic elastic mixture occupy on the plane  $z = x_1 + ix_2$  a doubly-connected domain  $G$ , a square. The side length of square will be denoted by  $a^0$ .

Let to the boundary of the square which is weakened by an interior hole and cuttings at vertices be applied the same absolutely smooth rigid punches, subjected to the action of external normal contractive forces with the known principal vectors. The hole and cutting boundary is free from external forces.

We formulate the following problem: Find an elastic equilibrium of the square and analytic form of the hole and cutting contours under the condition that tangential normal stress vector, i. e. (1.8) vector, will take one and the same constant value  $\sigma_t = K^0$ ,  $K^0 = (K_1^0, K_2^0) = \text{const}$  on them.

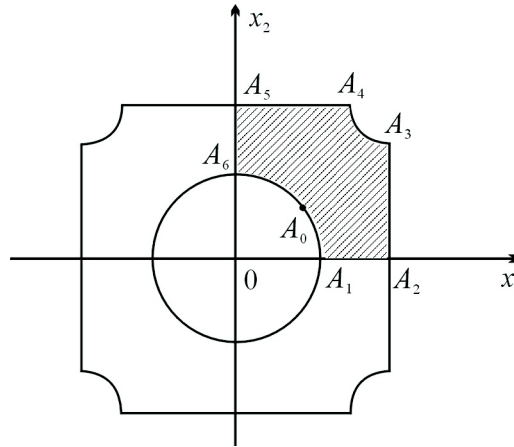


Figure 1:

In these conditions, we call the assemblage of hole and cutting boundaries an equally strong contour. Owing to the symmetry of the problem, we consider the shaded part of the square, i. e. the curvilinear polygon  $A_0A_1A_2A_3A_4A_5A_6$  and denote it by  $D_0$ , where  $A_0$  is the mid point of the arc  $A_6A_1$  (a shaded in fig.1).

The boundary of the domain  $D_0$  consists of rectilinear segments  $L_1 = \cup L_1^{(j)}$ ,  $L_1^{(j)} = A_jA_{j+1}$  ( $j = 1, 2, 4, 5$ ) and unknown arcs  $L_0 = L_0^{(1)} \cup L_0^{(2)}$ ,  $L_0^{(1)} = A_3A_4$ ,  $L_0^{(2)} = A_6A_1$ .

The boundary conditions of the problem are of the form  $U_n = U^0 = \text{const}$  on  $L_1^{(2)} \cup L_1^{(4)}$ , and  $U_n = 0$  on  $L_1^{(1)} \cup L_1^{(5)}$ , vector (1.7), is equal to zero on the entire boundary of the domain  $D_0$ , i.e.  $\sigma_s = 0$  on  $L = L_1 \cup L_0$ .

Relying on the analogous Kolosov-Muskhelishvilis formulas (1.9)-(1.11), the above posed problem is reduced to finding two analytic vector-functions  $\varphi(z)$  and  $\psi(z)$  in  $D^0$

by the boundary conditions on  $L$

$$\operatorname{Re} \varphi'(t) = H, \quad t \in L_0, \quad H = \frac{1}{2}(2E - A - B)^{-1} K^0, \quad (2.1)$$

$$\operatorname{Im} \varphi'(t) = 0, \quad t \in L_1, \quad (2.2)$$

$$\operatorname{Re} e^{-i\alpha(t)} [(A - 2E)\varphi(t) + Bt\overline{\varphi'(t)} + 2\mu\overline{\psi(t)}] = C(t), \quad t \in L_1, \quad (2.3)$$

$$(A - 2E)\varphi(t) + Bt\overline{\varphi'(t)} + 2\mu\overline{\psi(t)} = B^{(j)}(t), \quad t \in L_0^{(j)}, \quad j = 1, 2; \quad (2.4)$$

where  $\alpha(t)$  is the angle, made by the outer normal to the contour  $L_1$  and the  $0x_1$ -axis,

$$C(t) = \operatorname{Re} \left[ -i \int_{A_1}^t \sigma_n(t_0) \exp i[\alpha(t_0) - \alpha(t)] dS_0 + \nu \exp(-i\alpha(t)) \right], \quad t \in L_1 \quad (2.5)$$

$$B^{(j)}(t) = -i \int_{A_1}^t \sigma_n(t_0) \exp(i\alpha(t_0)) dS_0 + \nu, \quad t \in L_0^{(j)}, \quad j = 1, 2, \quad (2.6)$$

$\nu = (\nu_1, \nu_2)^T$  is an arbitrary complex constant vector. It is easy to notice that  $C(t)$  is a piecewise constant and  $B^{(j)}$  is a constant vector-function.

Moreover, if  $t \in L_1$ , then we can write

$$\operatorname{Re} e^{-i\alpha(t)} t = \operatorname{Re} e^{-\alpha(t)} A(t) \quad (2.7)$$

where  $A(t) = A_k$  for  $t \in A_k A_{k+1}$ .

In the sequel, the vector-function  $\varphi(z)$  will be assumed to be continuous in a closed domain  $D_0$ , and  $\varphi'(z)$  and  $\psi(z)$  are continuously extendable on the boundary of the body  $D_0$  except possibly of the points  $A_1, A_3, A_4, A_6$  in the neighborhood of which they admit the estimate of the type

$$|\varphi'_j(z)|, \quad |\psi_j(z)| < M|z - A_k|^{-\delta_k}, \quad j = 1, 2, \quad (2.8)$$

where  $0 < \delta_k < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $k = 1, 3, 4, 6$ ,  $M = \operatorname{const} > 0$ .

The equalities (2.1)–(2.2) are in fact the Keldysh-Sedov problem for the domain  $D_0$ .

By virtue of the condition (2.8), the (2.1)–(2.2) problem has a unique solution [10] or [11],  $\varphi'(z) = H$ .

Consequently, leaving out of account the constant summand we get

$$\varphi(z) = Hz = \frac{1}{2}(2E - A - B)^{-1} K^0 z. \quad (2.9)$$

Here  $K^0$  is to be defined in the course of solving the problem.

On the basis of formulas (1.11), (2.5), (2.6), (2.9) and putting  $\nu = 0$ , the boundary

conditions (2.3), (2.4) and (2.7) yield

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \operatorname{Im} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t - 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = 0; \operatorname{Im} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t + 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = 0, \quad t \in L_1^{(1)}; \\
 & \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t - 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = P; \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t + 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = a^0 K^0 - P, \quad t \in L_1^{(2)}; \\
 & \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t - 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = P; \operatorname{Im} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t + 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = P, \quad t \in L_0^{(1)}; \\
 & \operatorname{Im} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t - 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = a^0 K^0 - P; \operatorname{Im} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t + 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = P, \quad t \in L_1^{(4)}; \\
 & \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t - 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = 0; \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t + 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = 0, \quad t \in L_1^{(5)}; \\
 & \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t - 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = P; \operatorname{Im} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 t + 2\mu\psi(t) \right) = 0, \quad t \in L_0^{(2)};
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

where

$$P = \int_{L_1^{(j)}} \sigma_n dS, \quad j = 1, 2, 4, 5.$$

Let the function  $z = \omega(\zeta)$ ,  $\zeta = \xi_1 + i\xi_2$  map conformally the upper half-plane ( $\operatorname{Im} \zeta > 0$ ) onto the domain  $D_0$ . By  $\beta_k$  we denote the preimages of the points  $A_k$  ( $k = \overline{0, 6}$ ) and assume that  $\beta_3 = -1$ ;  $\beta_4 = 1$ ;  $\beta_0 = -\infty$ . Moreover, owing to the symmetry, we may assume that  $\beta_5 = -\beta_2$ ;  $\beta_6 = -\beta_1$ . Note that

$$-\infty < \beta_1 < \beta_2 < -1 < 1 < -\beta_2 < -\beta_1 < +\infty.$$

Consider the vector-functions

$$\phi(\zeta) = -i \left( \frac{1}{2} K^0 \omega(\zeta) - 2\mu\psi(\omega(\zeta)) \right); \tag{2.11}$$

$$\Psi(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2} K^0 \omega(\zeta) + 2\mu\psi(\omega(\zeta)). \tag{2.12}$$

Taking into (2.11) and (2.12), boundary conditions (2.10) take the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \operatorname{Im} \phi(\xi_1) = 0, \quad \xi_1 \in (-\infty; \beta_1) \cup (-\beta_2; \infty); \\
 & \operatorname{Re} \phi(\xi_1) = 0; \quad \xi_1 \in (\beta_1; \beta_2); \\
 & \operatorname{Im} \phi(\xi_1) = -P; \quad \xi_1 \in (\beta_2; 1),
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.13}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \operatorname{Re} \phi(\xi_1) = a^0 K^0 - P, \quad \xi_1 \in (1; -\beta_2); \\
 & \operatorname{Im} \Psi(\xi_1) = 0, \quad \xi_1 \in (-\infty; \beta_2) \cup (-\beta_1; \infty); \\
 & \operatorname{Re} \Psi(\xi_1) = a^0 K^0 - P, \quad \xi_1 \in (\beta_2; -1), \\
 & \operatorname{Im} \Psi(\xi_1) = P, \quad \xi_1 \in (-1, -\beta_2), \\
 & \operatorname{Re} \Psi(\xi_1) = 0, \quad \xi_1 \in (-\beta_2, -\beta_1).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

The above problems are the vector form of the Keldysh-Sedov problems [10], [11] for a half-plane  $\operatorname{Im} \zeta > 0$ .

A solution of problems (2.13) and (2.14) can be represented as follows [10], [5]

$$\phi(\zeta) = \frac{\chi_1(\zeta)}{\pi i} \left[ (a^0 K^0 - P) \int_1^{-\beta_2} \frac{d\xi_1}{\chi_1(\xi_1)(\xi_1 - \zeta)} - iP \int_{\beta_2}^1 \frac{d\xi_1}{\chi(\xi_1)(\xi_1 - \zeta)} \right], \quad (2.15)$$

$$\Psi(\zeta) = \frac{\chi_2(\zeta)}{\pi i} \left[ (a^0 K^0 - P) \int_{\beta_2}^{-1} \frac{d\xi_1}{\chi_2(\xi_1)(\xi_1 - \zeta)} + iP \int_{-1}^{\beta_2} \frac{d\xi_1}{\chi_2(\xi_1)(\xi_1 - \zeta)} \right], \quad (2.16)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_1(\zeta) &= \sqrt{(\zeta - \beta_1)(\zeta - \beta_2)(\zeta - 1)(\zeta + \beta_2)}, \\ \chi_2(\zeta) &= \sqrt{(\zeta + \beta_1)(\zeta + \beta_2)(\zeta + 1)(\zeta - \beta_2)} \end{aligned}$$

Note that, under the  $\chi_j(\zeta)$  sign we mean a branch whose decomposition near the point at infinity has the form

$$\chi_j(\zeta) = \zeta^2 + \alpha_1^j \zeta + \alpha_2^{(j)} + \dots, \quad j = 1, 2.$$

It is easy to show that

$$\chi_1(\xi_1) = \begin{cases} |\chi_1(\xi_1)|, & \xi_1 \in (-\infty, \beta_1) \cup (\beta_2, 1) \cup (-\beta_2, \infty) \\ -i|\chi_1(\xi_1)|, & \xi_1 \in (\beta_1, \beta_2) \cup (1, -\beta_2); \end{cases} \quad (2.17)$$

$$\chi_2(\xi_1) = \begin{cases} |\chi_2(\xi_1)|, & \xi_1 \in (-\infty, \beta_2) \cup (-1, -\beta_2) \cup (-\beta_1, \infty) \\ i|\chi_2(\xi_1)|, & \xi_1 \in (\beta_2, -1) \cup (-\beta_2, -\beta_1); \end{cases} \quad (2.18)$$

$$|\chi_1(\xi_1)| = |\chi_2(-\xi_1)|. \quad (2.19)$$

By virtue of (2.17)–(2.19) formulas (2.15) and (2.16) can be written as

$$\phi(\zeta) = g(\zeta), \quad \Psi(\zeta) = g(-\zeta), \quad \text{Im } \zeta > 0, \quad (2.20)$$

where  $g = (g_1, g_2)^T$ .

$$g(\zeta) = \frac{\chi_1(\zeta)}{\pi i} \left[ (a^0 K^0 - P) \int_1^{-\beta_2} \frac{d\xi_1}{|\chi_1(\xi_1)|(\xi_1 - \zeta)} - P \int_{\beta_2}^1 \frac{d\xi_1}{|\chi_1(\xi_1)|(\xi_1 - \zeta)} \right]. \quad (2.21)$$

Now note that we will seek for a bounded at infinity solution of the problems (2.13) and (2.14). On the other hand, from (2.20) and (2.21) we conclude that, the necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of such a solution is of the form

$$(a^0 K^0 - P) \int_1^{-\beta_2} \frac{d\xi_1}{|\chi_1(\xi_1)|} - P \int_{\beta_2}^1 \frac{d\xi_1}{|\chi_1(\xi_1)|} = 0. \quad (2.22)$$

Having found the vector-function  $\phi(\zeta)$  and  $\Psi(\zeta)$ , by virtue of (2.12) and (2.20) we can define the vector-functions  $K^0 \omega(\zeta)$  and  $\psi(\omega(\zeta))$  by the formulas

$$K^0 \omega(\zeta) = g(-\zeta) + ig(\zeta), \quad \psi(\omega(\zeta)) = \frac{1}{4} \mu^{-1} [g(-\zeta) - ig(\zeta)]. \quad (2.23)$$

Let us now pass to finding analytical form of the unknown equally strong contour. Equations for the parts  $L_0^{(1)}$  and  $L_0^{(2)}$  of the unknown contour can be obtained from the image of the function  $\omega(\zeta)$  for  $\zeta = \xi_1^0 \in (-1, 1)$  and  $\zeta = \xi_1^0 \in (-\infty, \beta_1) \cup (-\beta_1, \infty)$  respectively.

By the Sokhotskii-Plemelj formulas [11] and owing to (2.21) and (2.23), we find that the equations for the arcs  $L_0^{(1)}$  and  $L_0^{(2)}$  are given by the formulas respectively

$$\omega(\xi_1^0) = \frac{g_1(-\xi_1^0) + P_1 + i(g_1(\xi_1^0) + P_1)}{K_1^0} = \frac{g_2(-\xi_1^0) + i(g_2(\xi_1^0) + P_2)}{K_2^0}, \quad (2.24)$$

$$\omega(\xi_1^0) = \frac{g_1(-\xi_1^0) + i(g_1(\xi_1^0))}{K_1^0} = \frac{g_2(-\xi_1^0) + i(g_2(\xi_1^0))}{K_2^0}, \quad (2.25)$$

where

$$g(\xi_1^0) = (g_1, g_2)^T = \frac{\chi_1(\xi_1^0)}{\pi i} \left[ (a^0 K^0 - P) \int_1^{-\beta_2} \frac{d\xi_1}{|\chi_1(\xi_1)|(\xi_1 - \xi_1^0)} - P \int_{\beta_2}^1 \frac{d\xi_1}{|\chi_1(\xi_1^0)(\xi_1 - \xi_1^0)|} \right].$$

Revert now to the condition (2.22). Equality (2.22) yields

$$K^0 = \frac{1}{a^0} P \left( 1 + \frac{F_1}{F_2} \right), \quad (2.26)$$

where

$$F_1 = \int_{\beta_2}^1 \frac{d\xi_1}{|\chi_1(\xi_1)|}, \quad F_2 = \int_1^{-\beta_2} \frac{d\xi_1}{|\chi_1(\xi_1)|}. \quad (2.27)$$

It should be noted the integrals appearing in (2.27) and (2.21) are expressed in terms of elliptic integrals of the first and third kind [15].

Of special importance is the definition of parameters  $K_1^0$ ,  $K_2^0$ ,  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$ , involved in the above formulas. For defining above parameters we use the way and results, described in [5].

Refer now to formulas (2.26) and (2.27). the values  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are the complete elliptic integrals of the first kind [15], namely [5]

$$F_1 = M^{-1} F \left( \frac{\pi}{2} / m_1^0 \right); \quad F_2 = M^{-1} F \left( \frac{\pi}{2} / m_2^0 \right),$$

where

$$M = \sqrt{2}[\beta_2(\beta_1 - 1)]^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad F\left(\frac{\pi}{2}/m^0\right) = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 - m^0 \sin^2 \theta)^{-\frac{1}{2}} d\theta,$$

$$m_1^0 = \frac{2\beta_2(\beta_1 - 1)(\beta_1 + \beta_2)}{2\beta_2(\beta_1 - 1)}, \quad m_2^0 = \frac{(\beta_2 + 1)(\beta_1 - \beta_2)}{2\beta_2(\beta_1 - 1)}.$$

(of interest is the fact that  $m_1^0 + m_2^0 = 1$  and  $m_1^0 > m_2^0$ ).

Fixing the value of the parameter  $m_1^0$  (and hence of parameter  $m_2^0 = 1 - m_1^0$ ) for finding  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  we obtain the equality

$$\beta_2^2 + (1 - 2m_1^0)(\beta_1 - 1)\beta_2 - \beta_1 = 0 \quad (2.28)$$



the discriminant of the above equation (with respect to  $\beta_2$ ) is of the form  $D = (1 - 2m_1^0)^2(\beta_1 - 1)^2 + 4\beta_1$ .

Introducing the notation  $\sqrt{-\beta_1} = x$ , from the condition  $D \geq 0$ ,  $x > 1$  we get

$$x \geq \frac{1 + 2\sqrt{m_1^0(1 - m_1^0)}}{2m_1^0 - 1} = l.$$

If we assume that  $D > 0$ , then to every value  $x > l$ , and hence  $\beta_1 < -l^2$ , according to (2.28), there correspond two values  $\beta_2$ , both satisfying the condition  $\beta_2 < -1$ , but this contradicts the condition of the uniqueness of the conformally mapping function  $z = \omega(\zeta)$ , and hence we should have  $D = 0$  from which it follows that

$$\beta_1 = -\left[\frac{1 + 2\sqrt{m_1^0(1 - m_1^0)}}{2m_1^0 - 1}\right]^2; \quad \beta_2 = \frac{(2m_1^0 - 1)(\beta_1 - 1)}{2}. \quad (2.29)$$

Summing the obtained results, we conclude that for the fixed  $m_1^0$  in the domain  $(\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ , from the table of complete elliptic integrals we can find  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , and using formulas (2.26) and (2.27) we define parameters  $\mathcal{K}^0$ ,  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$  and the conformally mapping function  $z = \omega(\zeta)$  formulas (2.24) and (2.25) which establishes analytical form of the unknown equally strong contour.

Direct calculations show that as  $m_1^0$  increases, the length of the contour  $L_0^{(1)}$  decreases,  $L_0^{(2)}$  increases, and  $K_j^0$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , increases (see [5]).

In a particular case, for  $m_1^0 = 0,75$  we have approximately [18]

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= 2,156; \quad F_2 = 1,686; \quad K_j^0 = \frac{2,28}{a^0} P_j, \quad j = 1, 2; \\ \beta_1 &= -13,7; \quad \beta_2 = -3,7; \quad g_j(0) = 0,743P_j, \quad j = 1, 2; \\ \omega(0) &= (0,764a^0; 0,764a^0); \\ g_j(-1) &= 0,386P_j, \quad j = 1, 2; \quad \omega(-1) = (a^0; 0,608a^0); \\ g_j(\infty) &= g_j(-\infty) = 1,08P_j, \quad j = 1, 2; \\ \omega(\infty) &= \omega(-\infty) = (0,474a^0; 0,474a^0); \\ g_j(-\beta_1) &= 1,451P_j; \quad \omega(\beta_1) = (0,636a^0; 0). \end{aligned}$$

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