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## FUNDAMENTAL RINGS FOR CLASSES OF DARBOUX FUNCTIONS

Many interesting results are connected with addition and multiplication of Darboux functions, see, for example: [2],[3],[5],[7],[10],[11]. We have investigated some problems connected with the possibility of constructing some rings of Darboux functions and their properties ([8],[9]). In this paper we try to answer the following question: for which classes of Darboux functions can we construct a fundamental ring. Our paper does not answer this question completely leaving the general case is open (Problems 1,2). Our considerations are similar, in a way, to the research on the simultaneously maximal additive and multiplicative classes for some family of Darboux function ([1],[2],[5]).

We now give the main definitions and notation. The symbol  $R$  denotes the set of real numbers with the natural topology of the line; in a case of another topology we specifically state this fact. Let  $\bar{A}$  denote the closure of  $A$  (in the natural topology) and  $\ell(A)$ , the set of all components of  $A$  also in the natural topology.

Throughout this paper we consider real functions. For a family  $H$  of functions, the symbol  $H|_A$  denotes the set of all restrictions  $h|_A$ , where  $h \in H$ . We consider the set  $C_H = \bigcap_{h \in H} C_h$ ,

where  $C_h$  denotes the set of the continuity points of  $h$ . Then  $D_H = R \setminus C_H$ . If  $H = \{h\}$ , we write  $D_h$ .

The symbol  $C$  denotes the class of continuous functions (in the nat. top.), and  $C(T)$ , the family of the continuous function  $f: (R, T) \rightarrow R$ , where  $T$  is some topology in  $R$ . If  $\mathcal{T}$  is a family of topologies on the real line, then  $C(\mathcal{T}) = \{C(T): T \in \mathcal{T}\}$ .

If  $T$  is some topology on  $R$ , then by a  $T$ -open set we mean a set open with respect to  $T$ , and by a  $T$ -continuous function, a continuous function  $f: (R, T) \rightarrow R$ . The terms an open set, a closed set, a continuous function will refer to the natural topology.

We say that a topology  $T$  is connected if the space  $(R, T)$  is connected.

We say that two families of Darboux functions  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are compatible (with respect to conditions  $(*)$ ) if there exists a ring  $\mathbb{P}$  of Darboux functions (fulfilling conditions  $(*)$ ) such that  $H_1, H_2 \subset \mathbb{P}$ .

Let  $\mathbb{P}$  be some ring of functions and let  $H$  be some family of functions. Then  $\mathbb{P}(H)$  denotes the ring consisting of all functions of the form

$$g = g_0 + g_1 \cdot h_{1,1}^{s_{1,1}} \cdot h_{1,2}^{s_{1,2}} \dots h_{1,k_1}^{s_{1,k_1}} + \dots + g_t \cdot h_{t,1}^{s_{t,1}} \cdot h_{t,2}^{s_{t,2}} \dots h_{t,k_t}^{s_{t,k_t}}$$

where  $g_i \in \mathbb{P}$ ,  $h_{j,p} \in H$  and  $s_{j,p}$  are natural numbers.

If  $H$  is a class of Darboux functions, then we say that a ring  $\mathbb{P}$  of real functions is fundamental for  $H$ , if  $\mathbb{P}(H)$  is a ring of Darboux functions. We say that a class  $\mathcal{P}$  of fundamental rings for  $H$  is complete (with respect to conditions  $(*)$ ) if for every family of functions  $H_1$  compatible with  $H$  (resp. to  $(*)$ ) there exists a ring  $\mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{P}$  which is fundamental for  $H \cup H_1$ .

We say that a real number  $\alpha$  is a right-side cluster number of  $f$  at  $x_0$  relative to a set  $A$  if there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset A$  such that  $x_n \searrow x_0$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = \alpha$ . Similarly we define left-side cluster numbers. The set of all right-side (left-side) cluster numbers of  $f$  at  $x_0$  relative to a set  $A$  we denote by  $L_A^+(f, x_0)$  ( $L_A^-(f, x_0)$ ). If  $A = \mathbb{R}$ , we just write  $L^+(f, x_0)$  ( $L^-(f, x_0)$ ).

Let  $H$  be some class of functions,  $\eta > 0$  and  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $\overline{H}_\eta^+(A, x_0) = \{h \in H: \exists (\beta \in L_A^+(h, x_0)) \beta - h(x_0) > \eta\}$ ,  $\underline{H}_\eta^+(A, x_0) = \{h \in H: \exists (\beta \in L_A^+(h, x_0)) h(x_0) - \beta > \eta\}$ . Similarly we define  $\overline{H}_\eta^-(A, x_0)$  and  $\underline{H}_\eta^-(A, x_0)$ .

We say that a net  $\{x_\sigma\}_{\sigma \in \Sigma} \subset \mathbb{R}$  is decreasing if

$$\forall (\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in \Sigma) \quad \sigma_1 \rightarrow \sigma_2 \Leftrightarrow x_{\sigma_1} \geq x_{\sigma_2},$$

where  $\rightarrow$  is a directing relation in  $\Sigma$ . Analogously we define an increasing net.

The aim of this paper is to find conditions on a family  $H$  of Darboux functions, under which there exists a fundamental ring for  $H$ . We assume the following definitions.

DEFINITION 1. We say that a family  $H$  possesses the property of Young if for every  $x$  there exist sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  such that  $x_n \nearrow x \nwarrow y_n$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(y_n)$ , for every  $f \in H$ .

If  $H$  possesses the property of Young (consists of functions of first class of Baire), then we write  $H \subset Y (H \subset B_1)$ . Of course if  $H = \{f\}$ , the property of Young for a family  $\{f\}$  is identical to the well known property of Young for  $f$ . (See [1],[2]). The following proposition is easily proved. (See [8] and [9]).

PROPOSITION 1. Let  $f_i$  ( $i=1, \dots, k$ ) be Darboux functions such that  $D_{f_i} = \{x_0\}$  ( $i=1, \dots, k$ ). Then the functions  $f_i$  ( $i=1, \dots, k$ ) belong to a common ring of Darboux functions which includes the constant functions if and only if the family  $\{f_i: i = 1, \dots, k\}$  possesses the property of Young.

DEFINITION 2. Let  $H$  be a class of real functions defined on a set  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ . We say that  $x_0$  is a right sided upper Darboux point for  $H$ , with respect to  $A$  (written  $x_0 \in \text{Dbx}^+(H, A)$ ), if  $x_0$  is an isolated point from the right side in  $A$  or for every  $\eta > 0$  there exists  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that for every  $\delta \leq \delta_0$ ,  $C \in \ell(A \cap (x_0, x_0 + \delta))$  and  $h \in \overline{H}_\eta^+(A, x_0)$  the following inequalities hold

$$(*) \quad h^{-1}(h(x_0) + \eta) \cap A \cap (x_0, x_0 + \delta) \neq \emptyset \neq$$

$$\neq \bigcap_{h \in H} h^{-1}((h(x_0) - \eta, h(x_0) + \eta)) \cap C.$$

Analogously we define a right sided lower Darboux point, left sided upper and left sided lower Darboux point by replacing  $\overline{H}_\eta^+(A, x_0)$  with  $\underline{H}_\eta^+(A, x_0)$ ,  $\overline{H}_\eta^-(A, x_0)$  and  $\underline{H}_\eta^-(A, x_0)$  respectively.

The notion of Darboux point and one sided Darboux point are defined in the obvious way. If  $H = \{h\}$ , we say refer to a right sided upper (right sided lower,...) Darboux point for  $h$ .

PROPOSITION 2. Let  $f : R \rightarrow R$ . Then  $x_0$  is a Darboux point from the right (left) side for  $f$  ([6]) if and only if  $x_0$  is a right (left) sided upper and lower Darboux point for  $f$  (with respect to  $R$ ).

Before we formulate and prove the fundamental theorem of this paper, we give the following definition.

DEFINITION 3. We say that a family  $H$  fulfils the condition (D) if there exists a nonempty set  $A \subset C_H$  such that:

1. every element  $x \in R$  is a Darboux point for  $H$  with respect to  $A$
2.  $H|_{\overline{C}} \subset B_1$  for every  $C \in \ell(R \setminus \overline{A})$ .

If additionally  $H|_{\overline{C}} \subset Y$  for every  $C \in \ell(R \setminus \overline{A})$ , then we say that  $H$  fulfils condition (DY).

THEOREM 3. Let  $H$  be a family of the functions fulfilling condition (DY). Then  $H$  is a family of Darboux functions and there exists a nonempty class  $T$  of connected topologies finer than the natural topology of the line such that  $C(T)$  is the complete class

of fundamental rings for  $H$ , with respect to condition (D).

**P r o o f.** Let  $\mathcal{Q}$  be a family of all sets  $A \subset C_H$  such that  $H$  fulfils the condition (DY) with respect to  $A$ . Let  $A \in \mathcal{Q}$ . We describe now a class of topologies. First we construct one topology in this class. Let  $B = R \setminus \bar{A}$ . For every  $t \in \bar{C}$ , where  $C \in \ell(B)$  let  $\{t_\sigma^+\}_{\sigma \in \Sigma}$  and  $\{t_\delta^-\}_{\delta \in \Delta}$  be decreasing and increasing nets converging to  $t$  and such that for every finite set of functions  $h_1, \dots, h_k \in H$  there exist subnets  $\{t_{\sigma'}^{'+}\}_{\sigma' \in \Sigma'}$  of  $\{t_\sigma^+\}_{\sigma \in \Sigma}$  and  $\{t_{\delta'}^{'-}\}_{\delta' \in \Delta'}$  of  $\{t_\delta^-\}_{\delta \in \Delta}$  fulfilling the following condition:

$$(1) \quad \lim_{\sigma' \in \Sigma'} h_i(t_{\sigma'}^{'+}) = h_i(t) = \lim_{\delta' \in \Delta'} h_i(t_{\delta'}^{'-}) \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, k.$$

Since  $H|_{\bar{C}} \subset Y$ , the family of nets fulfilling above condition is nonempty. (Of course if  $t$  is a left endpoint of the closure of a component  $C$ , then we consider only  $\{t_\sigma^+\}_{\sigma \in \Sigma}$  and analogously in the case a right endpoint of  $\bar{C}$ ). For every  $C \in \ell(B)$  let  $T_C$  denote a topology in  $\bar{C}$  finer than the natural topology of the segment  $\bar{C}$  such that every  $U \in T_C$  is a  $F_\sigma$  set (in the natural topology of the line) and for every  $U \in T_C$  and  $t \in U$  there exist  $\sigma_0 \in \Sigma$  and  $\delta_0 \in \Delta$  such that  $t_\sigma^+ \in U$  and  $t_\delta^- \in U$  for every  $\sigma \geq \sigma_0$  and  $\delta \geq \delta_0$ . (Of course, at least one such topology exists).

For  $t \in \bar{C}$  we put  $B_{T_C}(t) = \{U \in T_C : t \in U \wedge U \neq \bar{C}\}$ . For  $t \in C$  let  $B_t = B_{T_C}(t) \setminus \{U \in B_{T_C}(t) : U \setminus C \neq \emptyset\}$ . Now we describe a family  $B(t)$ , for any  $t \in \bar{A}$ . We make the construction from the right side of  $t$ . Consider the following cases:

1. There exists  $a > t$  such that  $(t, a) \in \ell(B)$  and  $t \notin A$ .

Then we put

$$B^+(t) = B_{T(t,a)}(t).$$

2.  $t \in A$ . Then we put:

$$B^+(t) = \{[t, t + \tau_n) : n=1, 2, \dots\},$$

where  $\{\tau_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is some decreasing sequence tending to zero.

3.  $t \notin A$  and there exists  $a > t$  such that  $(t, a) \subset A$ . Since  $t$  is a Darboux point for  $H$  with respect to  $A$ , there exists a sequence  $\{t_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \subset (t, a)$ ,  $t_n \searrow t$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h(t_n) = h(t)$  for every  $h \in H$ . For every  $t_n$  let  $\{\tau_k^n\}_{k=1}^\infty$  be a sequence such that  $\tau_k^n \searrow 0$ . We additionally assume that  $(t_n - \tau_1^n, t_n + \tau_1^n) \subset (t, a)$ . Then we put:

$$B^+(t) = \{t\} \cup \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty (t_n - \tau_m^n, t_n + \tau_m^n) : m=1, 2, \dots\}.$$

4.  $t \notin A$  and  $t$  is neither a left endpoint of any component of  $B$  nor of  $A$ . For every  $n=1, 2, \dots$  let  $\delta_n > 0$  denote a number such that conditions (\*) of Definition 2 are fulfilled for  $\eta = \frac{1}{n}$ . Of course, we may assume  $\delta_n \searrow 0$ . Let  $\ell_n^+$  denote the set of all component  $C$  of the set  $A$  such that  $C \cap (t + \delta_{n+1}, t + \delta_n) \neq \emptyset$ ,  $C \subset (t, t + \delta_1)$  and  $C \cap (t, t + \delta_{n+1}) = \emptyset$ . Furthermore for every

$C \in \ell_n^+$  let  $t_C \in \bigcap_{h \in H} h^{-1}((h(t) - \frac{1}{n}, h(t) + \frac{1}{n})) \cap C$  and let  $\{\tau_n^C\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be an arbitrary decreasing sequence converging to zero. Assume:

$$B^+(t) = \{\{t\} \cup \bigcup_{n=m}^\infty (\bigcup_{C \in \ell_n^+} (t_C - \tau_n^C, t_C + \tau_n^C)) : m=1,2,\dots\}.$$

Moreover, we may assume that for every  $C \in \ell_n^+$ ,  $t + \delta_{n+1} < t_C - \tau_1^C$ . Analogously, we define the families "neighbourhoods from left side of  $t$ " :  $B^-(t)$ . Finally we put:

$$B(t) = \{U^+ \cup U^- : U^+ \in B^+(t) \wedge U^- \in B^-(t)\}.$$

Let  $T$  be the topology generated by the neighbourhood system  $\{B(t)\}_{t \in R}$  ([4]). Of course  $T$  is finer than the natural topology of  $R$ .

Now we shall show that  $C(T)(H)$  is a ring of Darboux functions. Let  $k \in C(T)(H)$ . Then

$$(2) \quad k = f_0 + f_1 h_{1,1}^{s_{1,1}} \dots h_{1,k_1}^{s_{1,k_1}} + \dots + f_p h_{p,1}^{s_{p,1}} \dots h_{p,k_p}^{s_{p,k_p}},$$

where  $f_i \in C(T)$  ( $i=0,1,\dots,p$ ),  $h_{j,1} \in H$  and  $s_{j,p}$  are natural numbers.

It is obvious that  $k$  is continuous at every point of  $A$  (in the natural topology). Let  $C \in \ell(B)$  and  $t \in \bar{C}$ . Let  $\{t_{\sigma'}^+\}_{\sigma' \in \Sigma'}$  and  $\{t_{\delta'}^-\}_{\delta' \in \Delta'}$  denote the subnets of  $\{t_\sigma^+\}_{\sigma \in \Sigma}$  and  $\{t_\delta^-\}_{\delta \in \Delta}$  resp. satisfying (1), for every function  $h_{j,1}$  from (2). Clearly there



exist sequences  $\{t_n^+\}_{n=1}^\infty$ ,  $\{t_n^-\}_{n=1}^\infty$ , with elements in  $\{t_{\sigma'}^+\}_{\sigma' \in \Sigma'}$  and  $\{t_{\delta'}^-\}_{\delta' \in \Delta'}$  resp. such that  $t_n^- \nearrow t \nearrow t_n^+$  (in the natural topology) and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_{j,1}(t_n^-) = h_{j,1}(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_{j,1}(t_n^+)$ , for every  $h_{j,1}$  from (2).

$$\text{Thus, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (h_{1,1}^{s_{1,1}} \dots h_{1,k_1}^{s_{1,k_1}})(t_n^\pm) = (h_{1,1}^{s_{1,1}} \dots h_{1,k_1}^{s_{1,k_1}})(t).$$

From the construction of the topology  $T$  ( $\{t_n^\pm\}_{n=1}^\infty$  converge to  $t$ , in  $T$ ) and from  $T$ -continuity of  $f_1$  we infer that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_1(t_n^\pm) = f_1(t)$ . Applying similar reasoning to remaining elements from (2) we see that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} k(t_n^\pm) = k(t)$ . According to the obvious fact that  $k \in B_1$  and the theorem of Young (see, for example [1],[12]) we infer that  $k|_{\bar{C}}$  is a Darboux function.

We shall prove now that  $k$  is a Darboux function. Suppose to the contrary that there exist  $a < b$  and  $\alpha \in (k(a), k(b))$  such that

$$(3) \quad k^{-1}(\alpha) \cap (a, b) = \emptyset.$$

Assume that  $k(a) < k(b)$ . If  $a \in A \cup B$  or  $a$  is a left end-point of some component  $C \in \ell(B)$  we put  $a_1 = a$ . In the remaining cases let  $a_1$  be an element of  $A$  such that

$$(4) \quad a_1 \in [a, b) \cap k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha)).$$

Notice that

$$(5) \quad \{x > a_1 : [a_1, x) \subset k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha))\} \neq \emptyset.$$

In fact if  $a_1 \in A$ , then (5) is true by the continuity of  $k$  at this point. If  $a_1 \in B$  or  $a_1$  is a left endpoint of some component  $C \in \ell(B)$ , then according to (3) and the fact that  $k$  is a Darboux function in some right hand neighbourhood  $a_1$  we have (5).

Let  $\xi = \sup \{x > a_1 : [a_1, x) \subset k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha))\} < b$ . Of course  $[a_1, \xi) \subset k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha))$ . Suppose that  $k(\xi) > \alpha$ . Since  $k|_{\bar{C}}$  has the Darboux property, for each  $C \in \ell(B)$   $\xi \notin C$  nor  $\xi$  is a right endpoint of some component  $C \in \ell(B)$ . If  $\xi \in \bar{A}$  and  $\xi$  is not a right endpoint of any component of  $B$ , then we find an element  $\xi^* \in (a_1, \xi) \cap k^{-1}((\alpha, +\infty))$ , which is impossible.

Suppose now that  $k(\xi) < \alpha$ . Of course  $\xi \notin A$ . For each  $(p, q) \in \ell(B)$ ,  $\xi \notin [p, q)$  because  $k|_{[p, q]}$  has the Darboux property. So let  $\xi \in \bar{A} \setminus A$  with  $\xi$  not a left endpoint of any component of  $B$ . Let  $U \subset (a, b)$  be an element of  $B(\xi)$  such that every component of  $U$ , which lies to the right of  $\xi$ , has nonempty intersection with  $k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha))$ . Let  $\delta_\xi = \sup \{x > \xi : x \in U\}$ . Since for each  $C \in \ell(A)$ ,  $k|_C$  has the Darboux property,  $A \cap (\xi, \xi + \delta_\xi) \subset k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha))$  and so, according to (3), we have:

$$(6) \quad \bar{A} \cap (\xi, \xi + \delta_\xi) \subset k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha)).$$

Let  $S$  be an arbitrary component of the set  $B \cap (\xi, \xi + \delta_\xi)$ . Then  $\bar{S}$  includes some points of  $\bar{A} \cap (\xi, \xi + \delta_\xi)$ . From this, (6), (3) and the property of Darboux of  $k|_{\bar{S}}$  we have that  $S \subset k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha))$  and consequently  $B \cap (\xi, \xi + \delta_\xi) \subset k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha))$ , and so (according to (6))  $(\xi, \xi + \delta_\xi) \subset k^{-1}((-\infty, \alpha))$ . The last inclusion con-

tradicts the definition of  $\xi$ . According to (3),  $k(\xi) \neq \alpha$ . The obtained contradiction ( $k$  is not defined at  $\xi$ ) proves that  $k$  is a Darboux function.

According to the fact that every function  $k \in C(T)(H)$  is a Darboux function we have that  $H$  and  $C(H)$  are families of Darboux functions, and consequently  $T$  is a connected topology.

Let  $T$  be the class of all possible topologies (for different  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ) described above. We shall show that  $C(T)$  is the complete class of fundamental rings for  $H$  with respect to the conditions (D).

Let  $\hat{H}$  be a family of Darboux functions compatible to  $H$  with respect to the conditions (D) and let  $K$  be a ring of Darboux functions fulfilling (D) with respect to  $A_* \subset C_K$  and containing  $H \cup \hat{H}$ . Let  $C \in \ell(R \setminus \bar{A}_*)$ . Then  $f|_{\bar{C}} \in B_1$  for  $f \in K$ . Let  $H$  denote the class of all finite subfamilies of functions belonging to  $K$ . Let  $H_* \in H$ . It is easy to see, that

for every  $x \in \bar{C}$  there exist sequences  $\{x_{H_*,n}^+\}$ ,  $\{x_{H_*,n}^-\} \subset C$  such that  $x_{H_*,n}^- \nearrow x \nwarrow x_{H_*,n}^+$  and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h(x_{H_*,n}^-) = h(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h(x_{H_*,n}^+), \quad \text{for every } h \in H_*.$$

(Of course, if  $x$  is an endpoint of the segment  $\bar{C}$ , then there exists only one such sequence converging to  $x$  from one side). Let  $\Sigma^+ = \Sigma^- = \{(H_*,n) : H_* \in H \wedge n=1,2,\dots\}$ . In  $\Sigma^+$  and  $\Sigma^-$  we define the directing relations  $\rightarrow$  and  $\rightarrow$  resp., in the following way:

let  $\sigma_i = (H_*^i, n_i) \in \Sigma^+$  ( $i=1,2$ ). Then  $\sigma_1 \rightarrow \sigma_2$  if and only

$$\text{if } x_{H_{*},n_1}^{+} \geq x_{H_{*},n_2}^{+}$$

and

let  $\sigma_i = (H_{*},n_i) \in \Sigma^{-}$  ( $i=1,2$ ). Then  $\sigma_1 \rightarrow \sigma_2$  if and only

$$\text{if } x_{H_{*},n_1}^{-} \leq x_{H_{*},n_2}^{-}$$

Let  $t_{\sigma}^{+}(x) = x_{H_{*},n}^{+}$  ( $t_{\sigma}^{-}(x) = x_{H_{*},n}^{-}$ ) be the element of  $C \setminus \{x\}$  assigned to  $\sigma = (H_{*},n) \in \Sigma^{+}$  ( $\sigma = (H_{*},n) \in \Sigma^{-}$ ). Then the net  $\{t_{\sigma}^{+}(x)\}_{\sigma \in \Sigma^{+}}$  ( $\{t_{\sigma}^{-}(x)\}_{\sigma \in \Sigma^{-}}$ ) is decreasing (increasing) and converges to  $x$ . Moreover, for every finite set of functions  $H_0 \subset K$  there exist the subnets  $\{t_{\sigma'}^{+}(x)\}_{\sigma' \in \Sigma^{+}}$  and  $\{t_{\sigma'}^{-}(x)\}_{\sigma' \in \Sigma^{-}}$  such that

$$\lim_{\sigma' \in \Sigma^{\pm}} h(t_{\sigma'}^{\pm}(x)) = h(x) \quad \text{for } h \in H_0.$$

This means that we can from the topology  $T_C$ , by means of the above nets, as at the beginning of this proof. Similar reasoning can be applied to every component  $C \in \ell(R \setminus \bar{A}_{*})$ . Notice that taking advantage of the method described in first part of this proof we can define the topology  $T_{*}$  for  $H \cup \hat{H}$  (instead of  $A$  we use  $A_{*}$ ). It is easy to see that  $T_{*} \in T$ , which means that  $C(T_{*})$  is the fundamental ring for  $H \cup \hat{H}$ .

The above Theorem makes it possible to form fundamental rings, in particular - rings of Darboux functions, for some classes of functions. We may formulate the following additional problems:

Problem 1. Characterize the classes of Darboux functions for which there exist fundamental rings.

Problem 2. Give necessary and sufficient conditions under which families of Darboux functions  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  have a common fundamental ring.

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