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About a decade ago Jeanne Clelland and I published a paper concerning Bäcklund transformations between the wave equation and other hyperbolic Monge-Ampere systems \mathcal{I} defined on 5-manifolds. We proved that if such a transformation exists, has one-dimensional fibers, and satisfies some mild genericity conditions, then the prolongation of \mathcal{I} is Darboux-integrable. We also argued that, conversely, Darboux-integrability at the 2-jet level implies the existence of such a transformation; however, Anderson and Fels later showed that the equation $z_{xy} = \sqrt{(1 - u_x^2)}\sqrt{(1 - u_y^2)}/\sin z$ is a counterexample.

In this talk I'll discuss a generalization of the first argument – establishing Darboux integrability – to a broader class of decomposable systems, and I'll briefly analyze the problem with the second argument. This is joint work with Jeanne Clelland and Naghmana Tehseen. (Received September 02, 2019)