

Painlevé, Klein &  
the icosahedron

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## Main theme

"Icosahedral" solutions of linear & nonlinear  
(ordinary) differential equations

- although we will try to go beyond the icosahedron

## Classical example

Icosahedral rotation group  $A_5$  of order 60

$$A_5 = A_{235} = \langle a, b, c \mid a^2 = b^3 = c^5 = abc = 1 \rangle$$

- natural to look for ODEs on  $\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus 3\text{points}$   
with monodromy  $A_5$

$$A_5 \subset SO_3(\mathbb{R}) \subset SO_3(\mathbb{C}) \cong PSL_2(\mathbb{C})$$

- look for connections on rank 2 vector bundles  
with projective monodromy  $A_5$

## Schwarz's List (1873)

Gauss hypergeometric equation

$$\Rightarrow \text{logarithmic connection } \left( \frac{A_1}{z} + \frac{A_2}{z-1} \right) dz$$

- $A_1, A_2$   $2 \times 2$  rank 1 matrices

{ (twist by log. connection on line bundle)

- $A_1, A_2 \in \text{sl}_2(\mathbb{C})$  ( $2 \times 2$  trace free)

[connection on trivial principal  $\text{sl}_2(\mathbb{C})$  bundle over  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ ]

Algebraic horizontal sections classified by Schwarz

~ List with 15 entries:

- 1 dihedral family
- 2 Tetrahedral solutions
- 2 Octahedral solutions
- 10 Icosahedral solutions

[Rigid]

$\infty$ , et un remplace les points régulier. D'ailleurs, si l'intégrale générale de l'une des équations  $\mathfrak{s}(\lambda, \mu, \nu)$ ,  $\mathfrak{s}(1-\lambda, 1-\mu, \nu)$ ,  $\mathfrak{s}(\lambda, 1-\mu, 1-\nu)$ ,  $\mathfrak{s}(1-\lambda, \mu, 1-\nu)$  est une fonction algébrique de  $x$ , il en est évidemment de même des trois autres (n° 35).

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(XII)	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	
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Icosaèdre et dodécaèdre

As conjugacy classes

a	$\frac{1}{2}$ -turn
b	$\frac{1}{3}$ -
c	$\frac{1}{5}$ -
d = c <sup>2</sup>	$\frac{2}{5}$ -

## Naive generalisations

One more pole :-  $\sum_1^3 \frac{A_i}{z-a_i} dz$  WLOG  
 $a_1, a_2, a_3 = 0, t, 1$

A

$$A_i \in sl_2(\mathbb{C})$$

B

$$A_i \text{ } 3 \times 3 \text{ rank 1}$$

[Both minimally non-rigid - 2d moduli spaces]

Qn Analogue of Schwarz's list for these 3

- can now answer this "nonrigid Schwarz list"

- still linear

Example of problem B:

Full symmetry group - icosahedral reflection group (order 120)

$$H = \langle r_1, r_2, r_3 \mid r_1^2 = r_2^2 = r_3^2 = 1, (r_1 r_2)^2 = (r_2 r_3)^3 = (r_3 r_1)^5 = 1 \rangle \\ \subset O_3(\mathbb{R}) \subset GL_3(\mathbb{C})$$

- look for connections on rank 3 bundles /  $\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus 4 \text{ points}$  with monodromy  $H$  (generated by 3 reflections)
- (essentially) solved around 1997 by Dubrovin - Mazzocco  
3 inequivalent triples of generating reflections
  - 1 ~ K.Saito's icosahedral Frobenius manifold
  - 1 involves 10 pages of 40 digit integers

$$\begin{aligned}
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& +35089717870652037166528865782071242284918734 t^5 \\
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\end{aligned}$$

## Nonlinear analogue — Painlevé VI equation

Explicit form of simplest (abelian) Gauss-Manin systems are Gauss hypergeometric equation  
[ periods of families of elliptic curves - Gauss ]

Explicit form of simplest non-abelian Gauss-Manin connection is the Painlevé VI equation

- "nonlinear" analogue of hgeom. equation
- solutions branch at  $0, 1, \infty \in \mathbb{P}^1$  (still)

Main question      Analogue of Schwarz's list for PVI?

(C)

- still open
- will describe what is known + methods used

What comes after  $A_5$ ?

will see various answers:

$$A_5 = PSL_2(5) = \Delta_{235}$$

$\downarrow$        $\downarrow$        $\downarrow$

$$A_6 \qquad PSL_2(7) \qquad \Delta_{237}$$

[Also, next Coxeter group after  $H=H_3$  is  $F_4$  which appears too]

## What is Painlevé VI?

- explicit form of simplest non-Abelian Gauss-Manin connection
- equation controlling isomonodromy deformations of certain log connections/Fuchsian systems on  $\mathbb{P}^1$
- most general 2nd order ODE with Painlevé property
- certain dimensional reduction of ASDYM equations
- equation related to certain elliptic integrals with moving endpoints (R-Fuchs/Mainin)

The Painlevé VI equation (P<sub>VI</sub>):

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{y-1} + \frac{1}{y-t} \right) \left( \frac{dy}{dt} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{t-1} + \frac{1}{y-t} \right) \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{y(y-1)(y-t)}{t^2(t-1)^2} \left( \alpha + \beta \frac{t}{y^2} + \gamma \frac{(t-1)}{(y-1)^2} + \delta \frac{t(t-1)}{(y-t)^2} \right)$$

where the constants  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  are related to the parameters  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4)$  by:

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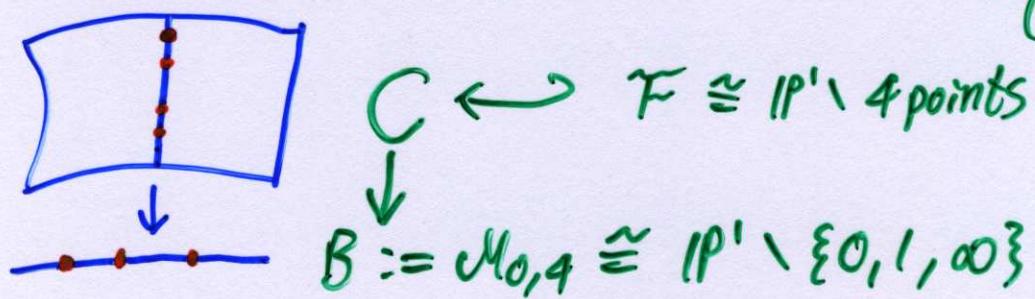
## Main properties (well-known)

- Painlevé property - critical singularities at 0, 1,  $\infty$  :  
"Any local solution  $y(t)$  near  $t \in \mathbb{P}' \setminus \{0, 1, \infty\}$  extends to meromorphic function on universal cover"
- Trichotomy  
Any solution is either
  - ↗ a 'new' transcendental function
  - ↘ a solution of a 1st order Riccati eqn
  - ↙ an algebraic function
- Governs isomonodromic deformations of rank 2 log. connections  $\sum_i^3 \frac{A_i}{z-a_i}$  on  $\mathbb{P}'$  (type A)
 

Eigenvalues  $A_i = \pm \theta_i/2$   $(A_4 = -\sum_i^3 A_i)$
- Waff ( $F_4$ ) symmetry group (standard action on  $C^4 \ni (\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4)$ )

## Conceptual approach

Consider universal family of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ 's with 4 punctures  
(ordered)



- Replace each fibre  $\mathcal{F}$  by  $H'(\mathcal{F}, G)$ ,  $G = SL_2(\mathbb{C})$

Two viewpoints here on  $H'$  :-

Betti Moduli of  $\pi_1$  representations  $\text{Hom}(\pi_1(\mathcal{F}), G)/G$

$\uparrow$   
Riemann-Hilbert

DeRham Moduli of connections on holomorphic vector bundles

- Get two (nonlinear) fibrations over  $B = M_{0,4}$
- As in abelian case get flat connection on bundle  
(now nonlinear connection)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M_{DR} & \xrightarrow{RH} & M_{Betti} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ B & = & B \end{array}$$

Two descriptions of connection:

- Betti (periods  $\rightsquigarrow$  monodromy)
  - keep monodromy representation constant
- DeRham (one forms  $\rightsquigarrow$  connections on vector bundles)
  - (closed  $\rightsquigarrow$  flat)
  - extend flat connection on fibre  $M$  to full flat connection on family of fibres & restrict to another fibre

Applications

- DR  $\rightsquigarrow$  explicit nonlinear equations  $\rightsquigarrow$  PDE
- Betti  $\rightsquigarrow$  explicit description of monodromy of nonlinear connection

## Explicit nonlinear equations

$M_{DR}$  well approximated by moduli of log. connections  
on trivial bundles over  $\mathbb{P}^1$ :-

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^* &\cong \left\{ d - \sum_1^3 \frac{A_i}{z-a_i} dz \right\} / \text{isomorphism} \\ &\cong \left\{ (A_1, \dots, A_4) \mid A_i \in \mathfrak{g}, \sum_1^4 A_i = 0 \right\} / G \times B \end{aligned}$$

Nonlinear connection on  $\overset{\mathcal{M}^*}{\downarrow}_B$  was computed by Schlesinger:

Horizontal sections satisfy

$$\frac{\partial A_i}{\partial a_j} = \frac{[A_i, A_j]}{a_i - a_j} \quad i \neq j$$

~ flatness of full connection  $d - \sum A_i \frac{d(z-a_i)}{z-a_i}$

- Note
- fibres of  $\mathcal{M}^*/B$  6d Poisson manifolds
  - Schlesinger's equations preserve the eigenvalues of each  $A_i$ ,  $(i=1,2,3,4)$
  - flows restrict to 2d symplectic leaves
  - choose coords  $x, y$  on leaves  $\Rightarrow$  coupled 1st order ODEs
  - eliminate  $x \Rightarrow$  2nd order ode for  $y(t)$  - Painlevé VI  
( $t$  = coord on  $B = \mathbb{M}_{0,4}$ )

## Monodromy of Painlevé VI

~ monodromy of connection on  $M_{\text{Betti}}$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $B$

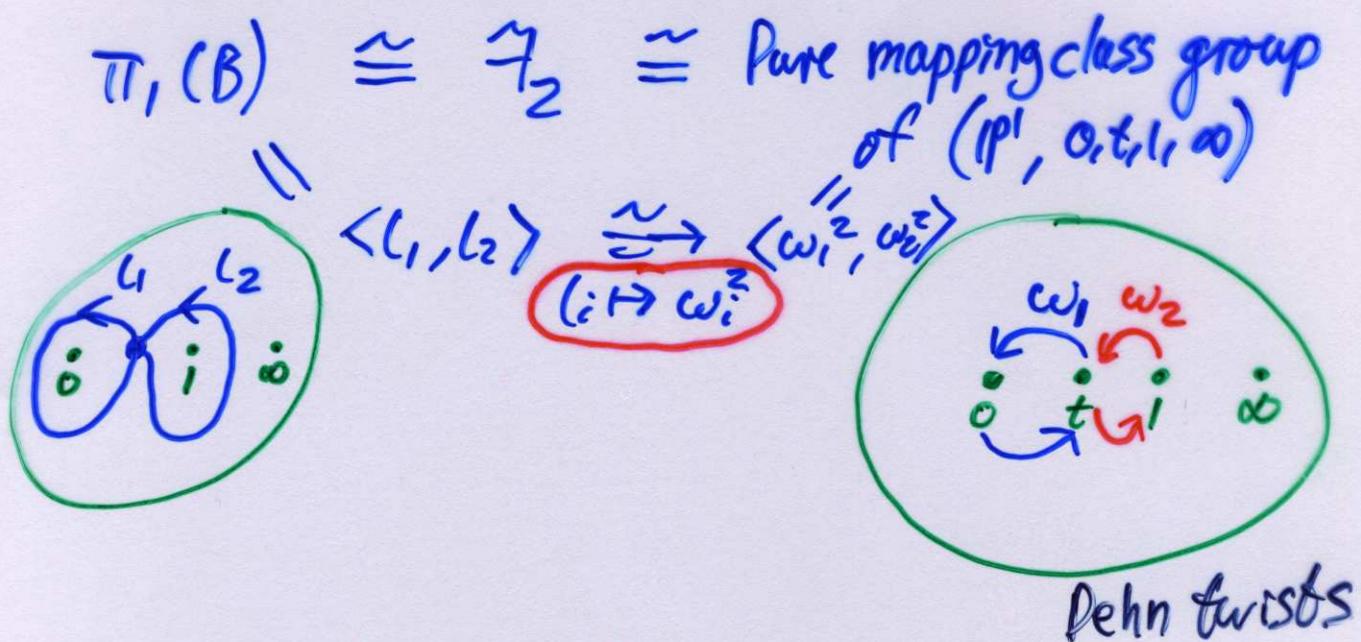
- connection is complete & flat so  $\Leftrightarrow$   
action of  $\pi_1(B) \cong \mathbb{F}_2 \times \text{fibre } M_t$   
"  $\text{Hom}(\pi_1(\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus 4 \text{ points}), G)/G$

Given choice of loops generating  $\pi_1(\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus 4 \text{ points})$  get

$$M_t \cong \{(M_1 M_2 M_3 M_4) \mid M_i \in G, M_4 M_3 M_2 M_1 = 1\}/G$$
$$\cong G^3/G$$

- universal family of cubic surfaces (Fricke-Klein/Cayley)

What is the monodromy action  $\pi_1(B) \curvearrowright M_t$ ?



- Mapping class gp acts naturally on  $M_t$

by "pushing forward loops"

$$[f(\rho)(\gamma) = \rho(f \circ \gamma) \quad \begin{cases} \rho \in M_t \\ \gamma \in \pi_1 \\ f: \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1 \text{ diffeo} \end{cases}]$$

- This is the monodromy action of  $\mathcal{G}_2$

- Explicitly on monod. matrices:

$$\omega_1(M_1, M_2, M_3) = (M_2, M_2 M_1 M_2^{-1}, M_3)$$

$$\omega_2(—) = (M_1, M_3, M_3 M_2 M_3^{-1})$$

## Definition

An algebraic solution to  $P_{\text{II}}$  is an irreducible polynomial  $F(y, t) \in \mathbb{C}[y, t]$  s.t  
the algebraic function  $y(t)$  defined implicitly by  
$$F(y(t), t) = 0$$

solves  $P_{\text{II}}$  for some value of the parameters

Definition' ... is an (irreducible compact)  
algebraic curve  $\Pi$  and two  
rational functions  $y, t : \Pi \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  s.t  
①  $t$  is a Belyi map (branch locus  $\subset \{0, 1, \infty\}$ )  
②  $y(t)$  solves  $P_{\text{II}}$  (for some parameters)

$$\textcircled{A} \dashrightarrow \textcircled{C}$$

If  $M_1, M_2, M_3 \in$  finite subgroup of  $SL_2(\mathbb{C}) = G$   
 then  $\mathbb{F}_2$  orbit of  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)$  finite  
 -so expect  $P_{\mathbb{H}}$  solution algebraic

finite  $\mathbb{F}_2$  orbit  $\Leftrightarrow$  solution has finite no. branches

- $\{\text{branches of solution}\} \cong \mathbb{F}_2 \text{ orbit of conjugacy classes of triples } (M_1, M_2, M_3)$

- $\mathbb{F}_2$  action on orbit  $\sim$  permutation representation of Belyi cover

$$\begin{array}{c} \Pi \\ \downarrow t \\ \mathbb{P}^1 \end{array}$$

Basic examples of algebraic solutions to Painlevé VI (Hitchin, Dubrovin):

Three-branch tetrahedral solution:

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

$$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = (2/3, 1/3, 1/3, 2/3)$$

Four-branch dihedral solution:

$$y = \frac{s^2(s+2)}{s^2+s+1}, \quad t = \frac{s^3(s+2)}{2s+1}$$

$$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = (1/2, 1/2, 1/2, 1/2)$$

Four-branch octahedral solution:

$$y = \frac{(s-1)^2}{s(s-2)}, \quad t = \frac{(s+1)(s-1)^3}{s^3(s-2)}$$

$$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = (1/4, 1/4, 1/4, 1/4)$$

Elliptic dihedral solution

Hitchin 1996

12 branches, genus 1

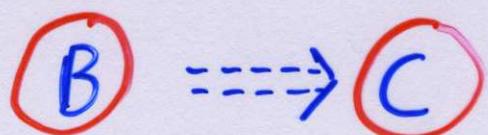
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$$y = \frac{(3s - 1)(s^2 - 4s - 1)(s^2 + u)(s(s+2) - u)}{(3s^3 + 7s^2 + s + 1)(s^2 - u)(s(s-2) + u)}$$
$$t = \frac{(s^2 + u)^2 (s(s+2) - u)(s(s-2) - u)}{(s^2 - u)^2 (s(s+2) + u)(s(s-2) + u)}$$

where  $s, u$  satisfy:

$$u^2 = s(s^2 + s - 1)$$

# Beyond Platonic PVI Solutions



## Theorem (- '02)

Painlevé VI also controls isomonodromic deformations

of type  $\textcircled{B}$  connections  $\sum_1^3 \frac{B_i}{z-a_i} dz$  ( $B_i$ :  $3 \times 3$  rank 1)

- similar to  $sl_2$  argument (2d moduli spaces)
- as before: finite monodromy groups  $\leadsto$  algebraic solutions  
(one expects)

Look at finite subgroups  $GL_3(\mathbb{C})$  generated by  
three complex reflections ("id + rank 1")

- classified by Shephard-Todd (1954)

If  $y(t)$  solves P<sub>VI</sub> with parameters

$$\theta_1 = \lambda_1 - \mu_1, \quad \theta_2 = \lambda_2 - \mu_1, \quad \theta_3 = \lambda_3 - \mu_1, \quad \theta_4 = \mu_3 - \mu_2$$

and we define  $x(t)$  via

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{(t-1)y' - \theta_1}{y} + \frac{y' - 1 - \theta_2}{y-t} - \frac{ty' + \theta_3}{y-1} \right)$$

then the family of logarithmic connections

$$d - \left( \frac{B_1}{z} + \frac{B_2}{z-t} + \frac{B_3}{z-1} \right) dz$$

will be isomonodromic as  $t$  varies, where

$$B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b_{21} & \lambda_2 & b_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_{12} &\equiv \lambda_1 - \mu_3 y + (\mu_1 - xy)(y-1), & b_{32} &\equiv (\mu_2 - \lambda_2 - b_{12})/t, \\ b_{13} &\equiv \lambda_1 t - \mu_3 y + (\mu_1 - xy)(y-t), & b_{23} &\equiv (\mu_2 - \lambda_3)t - b_{13}, \\ b_{21} &\equiv \lambda_2 + \frac{\mu_3(y-t) - \mu_1(y-1) + x(y-t)(y-1)}{t-1}, & b_{31} &\equiv (\mu_2 - \lambda_1 - b_{21})/t. \end{aligned}$$

(Triply generated) 3d complex reflection groups

Dihedral

Tetrahedral

Octahedral

Icosahedral

$G(m, p, 3)$

Klein  $\cong PSL_2(7)$

Hesse 1

Hesse 2

Valentiner  $G_{A6}$

## Construction problem

triple of generating reflections  $\rightsquigarrow$  finite  $F_2$  orbit  
 $\rightsquigarrow$  Painlevé curve  $\Pi$  topologically

- need  $\Pi$  explicitly & function  $y$  on it

e.g. Klein  $\rightsquigarrow \Pi$  of genus 0 &  $\deg(t) = 2$

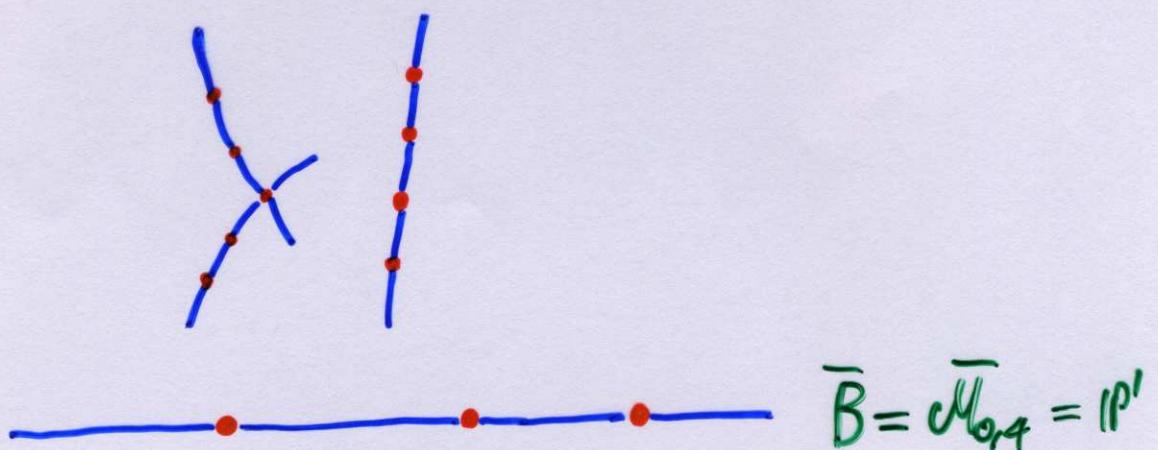
Valentiner  $\rightsquigarrow$  3 Painlevé curves  $\Pi$   
- each of genus 1  
-  $\deg(t) = 15, 15, 24$

## Key inputs

### ① Jimbo

- leading asymptotics of PII solution  $y$   
in terms of linear monodromy  $(M_1, M_2, M_3)$

Degenerate to stable curve & solve Riemann-Hilbert problems there:



**Theorem.** (Jimbo 1982)

Suppose we have four matrices  $M_j \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{C})$ ,  $j = 1, 2, 3, 4$  satisfying

- a)  $M_4 M_3 M_2 M_1 = 1$ ,
- b)  $M_j$  has eigenvalues  $\{\exp(\pm\pi i\theta_j)\}$  with  $\theta_j \notin \mathbb{Z}$ ,
- c)  $\mathrm{Tr}(M_1 M_2) = 2 \cos(\pi\sigma)$  for some nonzero  $\sigma \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $0 \leq \mathrm{Re}(\sigma) < 1$ ,
- d) None of the eight numbers

$$\theta_1 \pm \theta_2 \pm \sigma, \quad \theta_1 \pm \theta_2 \mp \sigma, \quad \theta_4 \pm \theta_3 \pm \sigma, \quad \theta_4 \pm \theta_3 \mp \sigma$$

is an even integer.

Then the leading term in the asymptotic expansion at zero of the corresponding Painlevé VI solution  $y(t)$  on the branch corresponding to  $[(M_1, M_2, M_3)]$  is

$$\left( \frac{(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \sigma)(-\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \sigma)(\theta_4 + \theta_3 + \sigma)}{4\sigma^2(\theta_4 + \theta_3 - \sigma)\hat{s}} \right) t^{1-\sigma}$$

where

$$\hat{s} = c \times s, \quad s = \frac{a+b}{d}$$

$$a = e^{\pi i \sigma} (i \sin(\pi\sigma) \cos(\pi\sigma_{23}) - \cos(\pi\theta_2) \cos(\pi\theta_4) - \cos(\pi\theta_1) \cos(\pi\theta_3))$$

$$b = i \sin(\pi\sigma) \cos(\pi\sigma_{13}) + \cos(\pi\theta_2) \cos(\pi\theta_3) + \cos(\pi\theta_4) \cos(\pi\theta_1)$$

$$d = 4 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(\theta_1 + \theta_2 - \sigma)\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(\theta_1 - \theta_2 + \sigma)\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(\theta_4 + \theta_3 - \sigma)\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(\theta_4 - \theta_3 + \sigma)\right)$$

$$c = \frac{(\Gamma(1-\sigma))^2 \widehat{\Gamma}(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \sigma) \widehat{\Gamma}(-\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \sigma) \widehat{\Gamma}(\theta_4 + \theta_3 + \sigma) \widehat{\Gamma}(-\theta_4 + \theta_3 + \sigma)}{(\Gamma(1+\sigma))^2 \widehat{\Gamma}(\theta_1 + \theta_2 - \sigma) \widehat{\Gamma}(-\theta_1 + \theta_2 - \sigma) \widehat{\Gamma}(\theta_4 + \theta_3 - \sigma) \widehat{\Gamma}(-\theta_4 + \theta_3 - \sigma)}$$

where  $\widehat{\Gamma}(x) := \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}x + 1)$  (with  $\Gamma$  being the usual gamma function) and where  $\sigma_{jk} \in \mathbb{C}$  ( $j, k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ ) is determined by  $\mathrm{Tr}(M_j M_k) = 2 \cos(\pi\sigma_{jk})$ ,  $0 \leq \mathrm{Re}(\sigma_{jk}) \leq 1$ , so  $\sigma = \sigma_{12}$ .

② Relate systems  $\textcircled{A}$  &  $\textcircled{B}$  on both  
DeRham & Betti sides

- monodromy changes in highly non-trivial way:

Klein reflection group  $\leadsto \Delta_{237}$

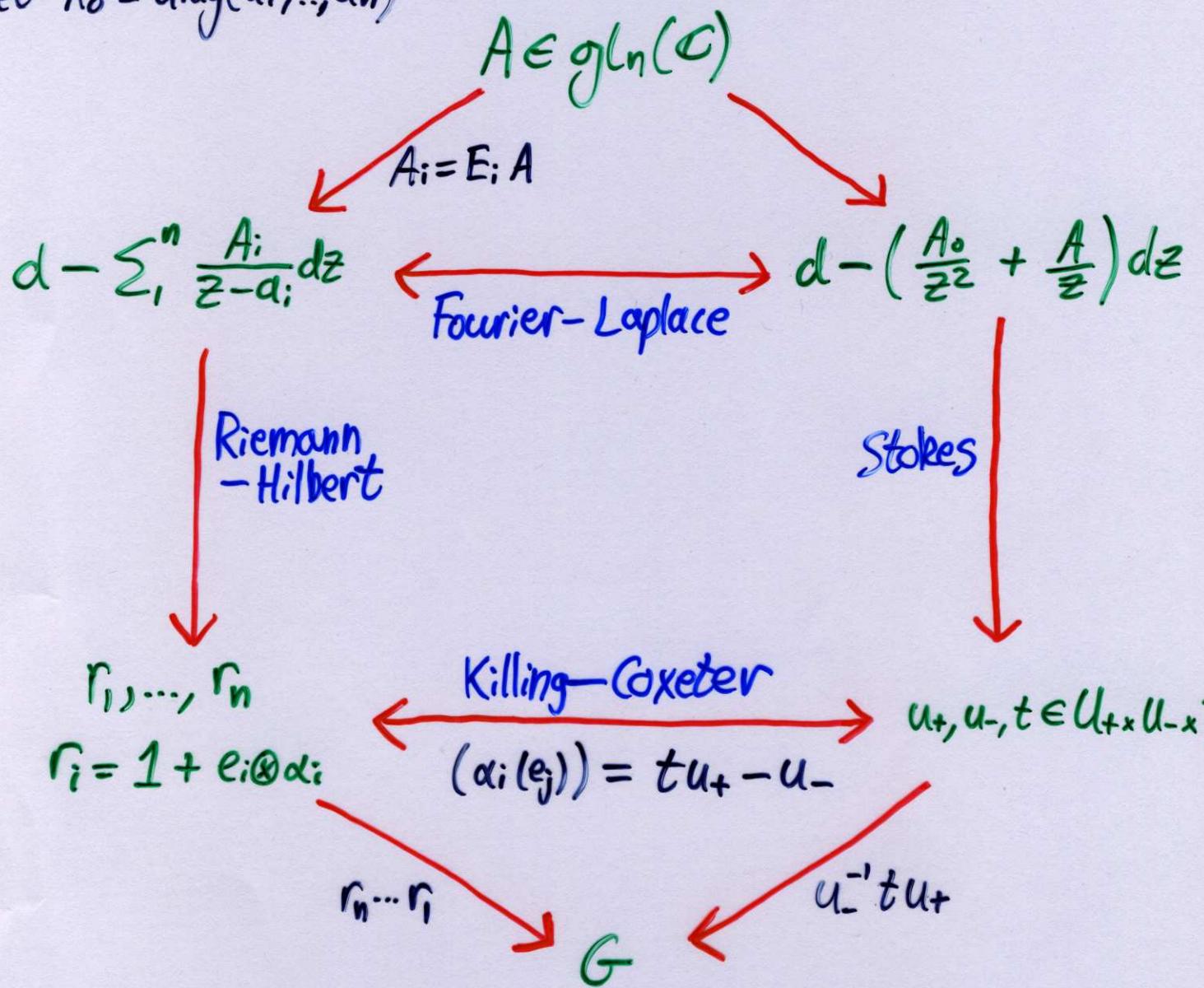
Valentiner group  $\leadsto A_5$

- apparently procedure is complex analytic version  
of N. Katz's "middle convolution functor"

# Sketch

Fix distinct  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{C}$

Let  $A_0 = \text{diag}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$



Scalar shift  $A \mapsto A + \lambda I$

- tensor by  $\lambda \frac{dz}{z}$  on RHS

- nontrivial convolution on LHS

$n=3$ : choose  $\lambda$  st  $A+\lambda$  rank 2  $\Rightarrow$  reducible on LHS

- take  $2 \times 2$  quotient connection  $\leadsto SL_2$  connection

Klein solution

seven branches

$$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = (2/7, 2/7, 2/7, 4/7)$$

$$y = -\frac{(5s^2 - 8s + 5)(7s^2 - 7s + 4)}{s(s-2)(s+1)(2s-1)(4s^2 - 7s + 7)}$$

$$t = \frac{(7s^2 - 7s + 4)^2}{s^3(4s^2 - 7s + 7)^2}.$$

### Corollary

For any  $s$  such that  $t(s) \neq 0, 1, \infty$  the family of Fuchsian systems

$$\frac{d}{dz} - \left( \frac{B_1}{z} + \frac{B_2}{z-t(s)} + \frac{B_3}{z-1} \right)$$

has monodromy isomorphic to the Klein complex reflection group, where

$$B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b_{21} & \frac{1}{2} & b_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b_{12} = \frac{14s^3 - 21s^2 + 24s - 22}{21s(4s^2 - 7s + 7)}, \quad b_{13} = \frac{22s^3 - 24s^2 + 21s - 14}{21(7s^2 - 7s + 4)},$$

$$b_{21} = \frac{14s^3 - 21s^2 + 24s + 5}{21(s-1)(4s^2 - s + 4)}, \quad b_{23} = \frac{22s^3 - 42s^2 + 39s - 5}{21(7s^2 - 7s + 4)},$$

$$b_{31} = \frac{14 - 21s + 24s^2 + 5s^3}{21(s-1)(4s^2 - s + 4)}, \quad b_{32} = \frac{22 - 42s + 39s^2 - 5s^3}{21s(4s^2 - 7s + 7)}.$$

Icosahedral solutions with  $\leq 4$  branches

	Degree	Genus	Walls	$A_5$ Type	Alcove Point	No.	Group (size)
1	1	0	1	$a b c$	31, 19, 11, 1	192	1
2	1	0	1	$a b d$	37, 17, 13, 7	192	1
3	1	0	1	$a c d$	33, 21, 9, 3	192	1
4	1	0	1	$b c d$	28, 16, 8, 4	192	1
5	1	0	2	$b^2 c$	26, 14, 6, 6	96	1
6	1	0	2	$b^2 d$	38, 18, 18, 2	96	1
7	1	0	2	$b c^2$	22, 10, 10, 2	96	1
8	1	0	2	$b d^2$	34, 14, 10, 10	96	1
9	1	0	3	$c^3$	18, 6, 6, 6	32	1
10	1	0	3	$d^3$	42, 18, 18, 6	32	1
11	2	0	2	$b^2 c^2$	42, 18, 10, 10	96	2
12	2	0	2	$b^2 d^2$	50, 10, 6, 6	96	2
13	2	0	2	$c^2 d^2$	42, 18, 6, 6	96	2
14	3	0	1	$b c^2 d$	40, 16, 8, 8	288	$S_3$
15	3	0	1	$b c d^2$	40, 8, 4, 4	288	$S_3$
16	4	0	2	$a c^3$	33, 9, 9, 9	128	$A_4$
17	4	0	2	$a d^3$	51, 3, 3, 3	128	$A_4$
18	4	0	2	$c^3 d$	30, 6, 6, 6	128	$A_4$
19	4	0	2	$c d^3$	42, 6, 6, 6	128	$A_4$

### Icosahedral solutions with $\geq 5$ branches

	Degree	Genus	Walls	$A_5$ Type	Alcove Point	No.	Group (size)
20	5	0	1	$b^2 c d$	44, 12, 12, 4	480	$S_5$
21	5	0	2	$c^2 d^2$	36, 12, 0, 0	240	$S_5$
22	6	0	1	$b c^2 d$	34, 10, 2, 2	576	$S_6$
23	6	0	1	$b c d^2$	46, 14, 10, 2	576	$S_6$
24	8	0	1	$a c^2 d$	39, 15, 3, 3	768	$A_8$
25	8	0	1	$a c d^2$	45, 9, 9, 3	768	$A_8$
26	9	1	2	$b c^3$	28, 4, 4, 4	288	$A_9$
27	9	1	2	$b d^3$	52, 8, 8, 4	288	$A_9$
28	10	0	2	$a^2 c d$	48, 12, 6, 6	480	$2^7 3 5$
29	10	0	2	$b^3 c$	46, 14, 14, 6	320	$A_{10}$
30	10	0	2	$b^3 d$	42, 2, 2, 2	320	$A_{10}$
31	10	0	3	$c^4$	24, 0, 0, 0	80	$A_{10}$
32	10	0	3	$d^4$	48, 0, 0, 0	80	$A_{10}$
33	12	0	0	$a b c d$	43, 11, 7, 1	2304	$A_{12}$
34	12	1	1	$a b c^2$	37, 13, 5, 5	1152	$A_{12}$
35	12	1	1	$a b d^2$	49, 5, 5, 1	1152	$A_{12}$
36	12	1	1	$b^2 c d$	38, 6, 6, 2	1152	$2^9 3^2 5$
37	15	1	2	$b^3 c$	36, 4, 4, 4	480	$A_{15}$
38	15	1	2	$b^3 d$	48, 8, 8, 8	480	$A_{15}$
39	15	1	2	$b^2 c^2$	32, 8, 0, 0	720	$S_{15}$
40	15	1	2	$b^2 d^2$	44, 4, 0, 0	720	$S_{15}$
41	18	1	3	$b^4$	40, 0, 0, 0	144	$2^{14} 3^4 5 7$
42	20	1	1	$a b^2 c$	41, 9, 9, 1	1920	$A_{20}$
43	20	1	1	$a b^2 d$	47, 7, 3, 3	1920	$A_{20}$
44	20	1	3	$a^2 c^2$	42, 18, 0, 0	480	$2^{17} 3^4 5^2 7$
45	20	1	3	$a^2 d^2$	54, 6, 0, 0	480	$2^{17} 3^4 5^2 7$
46	24	1	2	$a b^3$	45, 5, 5, 5	768	$2^{20} 3^5 5^2 7 11$
47	30	2	2	$a^2 b c$	46, 14, 4, 4	1440	$2^{24} 3^6 5^3 7^2 11 13$
48	30	2	2	$a^2 b d$	52, 8, 2, 2	1440	$2^{24} 3^6 5^3 7^2 11 13$
49	36	3	3	$a^2 b^2$	50, 10, 0, 0	864	$2^{23} 3^4 5 7$
50	40	3	3	$a^3 c$	51, 9, 9, 9	320	$2^{25} 3^4 5^2 7$
51	40	3	3	$a^3 d$	57, 3, 3, 3	320	$2^{25} 3^4 5^2 7$
52	72	7	3	$a^3 b$	55, 5, 5, 5	576	$2^{32} 3^4 5 7$

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“Generic” solution, genus zero, 12 branches,  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = (2/5, 1/2, 1/3, 4/5)$ :

$$y = -\frac{9s(s^2 + 1)(3s - 4)(15s^4 - 5s^3 + 3s^2 - 3s + 2)}{(2s - 1)^2(9s^2 + 4)(9s^2 + 3s + 10)}$$

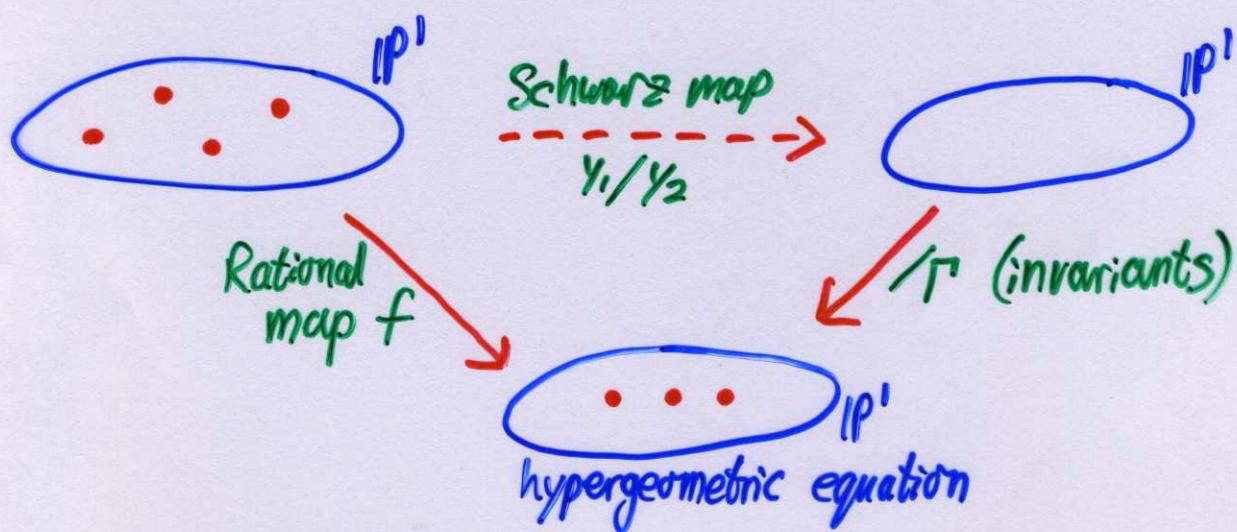
$$t = \frac{27s^5(s^2 + 1)^2(3s - 4)^3}{4(2s - 1)^3(9s^2 + 4)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
F(y, t) = & \\
(15524784 t^2 - 5373216 t + 1350000) y^{12} - & (128381760 t^2 - 13366080 t) y^{11} + \\
(5425704 t^3 + 496677744 t^2 - 30539160 t) y^{10} - & \\
(14929920 t^4 + 41364000 t^3 + 866759680 t^2 - 2928160 t) y^9 + & \\
(107546535 t^4 - 508275750 t^3 + 747613335 t^2 - 1837080 t) y^8 - & \\
(24385536 t^5 - 285548724 t^4 - 2437066824 t^3 + 74927724 t^2 + 944784 t) y^7 + & \\
(58212000 t^5 - 2865570750 t^4 - 4456260900 t^3 + 17631810 t^2) y^6 - & \\
(49787136 t^6 - 904003584 t^5 - 7215732804 t^4 - 2130570936 t^3 - 12872196 t^2) y^5 - & \\
(413500320 t^6 + 3724484160 t^5 + 4839581265 t^4 + 162430110 t^3 + 3750705 t^2) y^4 + & \\
(3001304640 t^6 + 74794560 t^5 + 2710584000 t^4 - 380946240 t^3) y^3 - & \\
(940800000 t^7 + 977540640 t^6 - 726801696 t^5 + 939255264 t^4 - 72013536 t^3) y^2 + & \\
(1176000000 t^7 - 1481095680 t^6 + 765158400 t^5) y - & \\
(1920800000 t^8 - 7212800000 t^7 + 10522980864 t^6 - 6913299456 t^5 + 1728324864 t^4)
\end{aligned}$$

## Pullbacks

( Klein, R-Fuchs, ..., Kitaev, C-Doran, ... )

Klein showed all 2nd order Fuchsian equations with finite monodromy are (essentially) pullbacks of hypergeometric equations:



so isomonodromic family of ODEs  $\sim$  family of rational maps

Key observation: algebraicity of deformation comes from that of rational maps (Hurwitz spaces)  
*(Doran, Kitaev)*  
not from finiteness of monodromy representation

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regular singular point at  $\lambda$ , and precisely four non-apparent regular singular points at  $\{0, 1, \infty, t\}$ . The local monodromies about these points do not vary with  $t \in \mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{0, 1, \infty\}$ . By Lemma 2.9, we thus know that  $\lambda$  as a function of  $t$  determines a solution to a Painlevé VI equation as described. q.e.d.

A direct application of this criterion to the natural hypergeometric local systems associated to triangles yields the following three corollaries:

**Corollary 4.6.** *The following is the complete list of topological types corresponding to algebraic Painlevé VI solutions coming from pullback from arithmetic Fuchsian triangle groups, together with the description of the corresponding triangle:*

(2; [2], [1, 1], [1, 1]; 2)	(2, $\square$ , $\square$ )
(3; [2, 1], [3], [1, 1, 1]; 2)	(2, 3, $\square$ )
(4; [2, 2], [3, 1], [2, 1, 1]; 2)	(2, 3, $\square$ )
(4; [2, 2], [4], [1, 1, 1, 1]; 2)	(2, 4, $\square$ )
(6; [2, 2, 2], [3, 3], [2, 2, 1, 1]; 2)	(2, 3, $\square$ )
(6; [2, 2, 2], [3, 3], [3, 1, 1, 1]; 2)	(2, 3, $\square$ )
(10; [2, ..., 2], [3, 3, 3, 1], [7, 1, 1, 1]; 2)	(2, 3, 7)
(12; [2, ..., 2], [3, 3, 3, 3], [7, 2, 1, 1, 1]; 2)	(2, 3, 7)
(12; [2, ..., 2], [3, 3, 3, 3], [8, 1, 1, 1, 1]; 2)	(2, 3, 8)
(18; [2, ..., 2], [3, ..., 3], [7, 7, 1, 1, 1, 1]; 2)	(2, 3, 7)

Here  $\square$  represents any of the possible entries as listed in Theorem 4.4.

Note that in the case of the arithmetic triangle group  $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$ , with triangle  $(2, 3, \infty)$ , as expected we recover from this list the topological types of the Kodaira functional invariants of our five families. In this corollary, the restriction to arithmetic Fuchsian triangle groups is for convenience only — we just wanted a finite set of triangle groups in  $\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$  to which to apply our criterion, and in this case they yielded a finite list of topological types. By contrast, for some triangles one can explicitly construct infinite lists of allowable topological types (unlike the previous result, the proofs of these corollaries do not produce an exhaustive list of types, merely an infinite one):

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*Ramification indices over 0, 1, 0*

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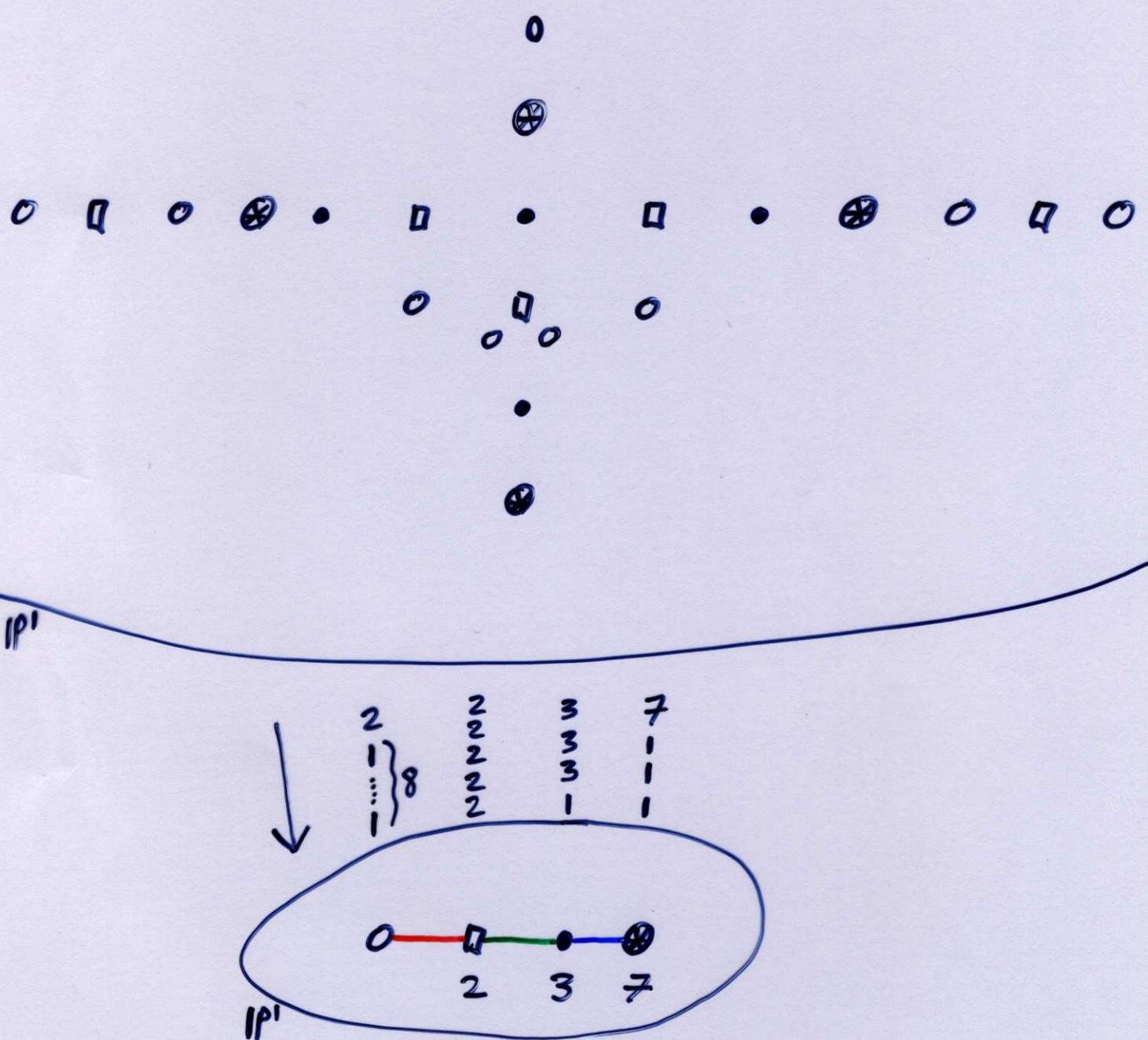
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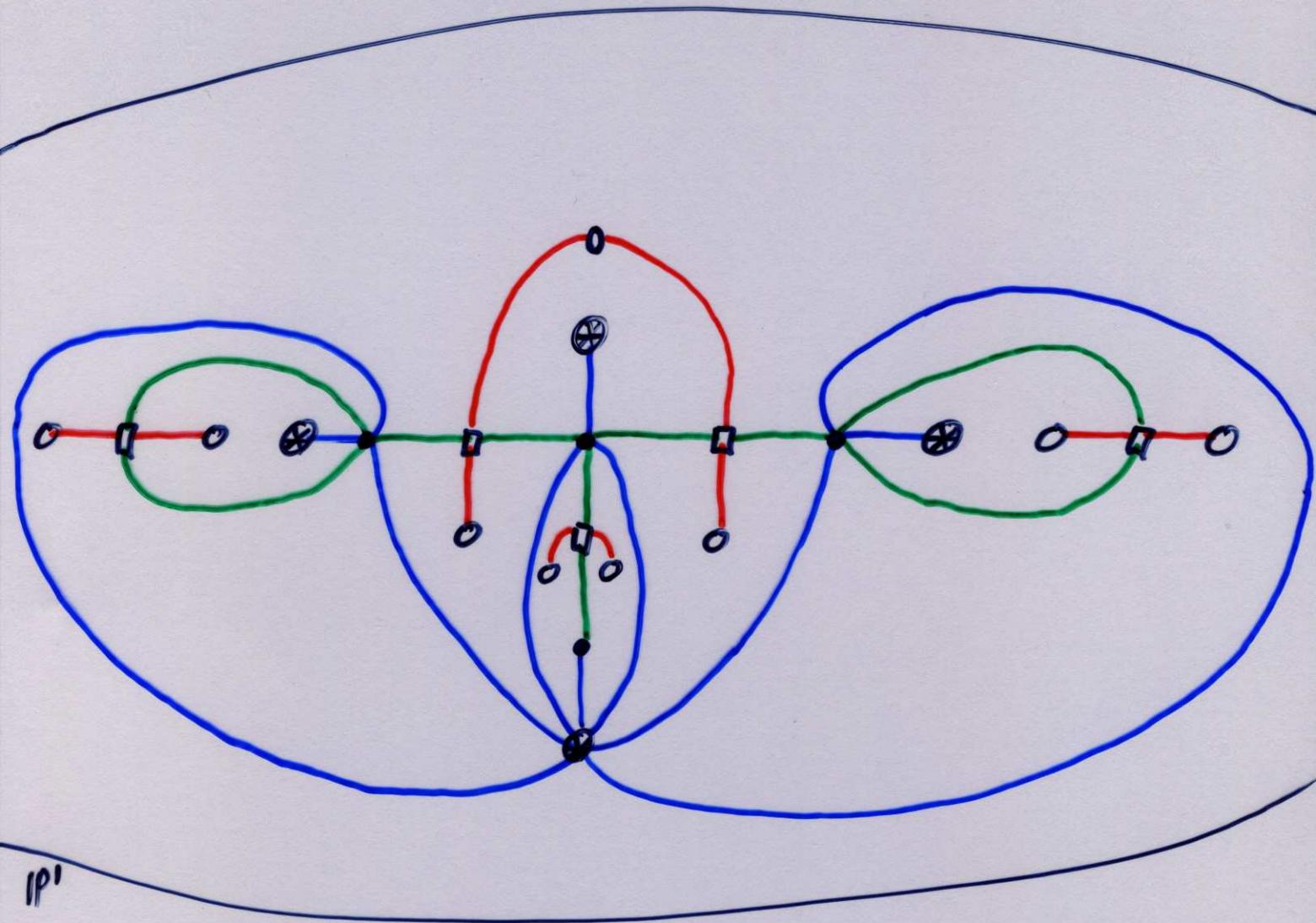
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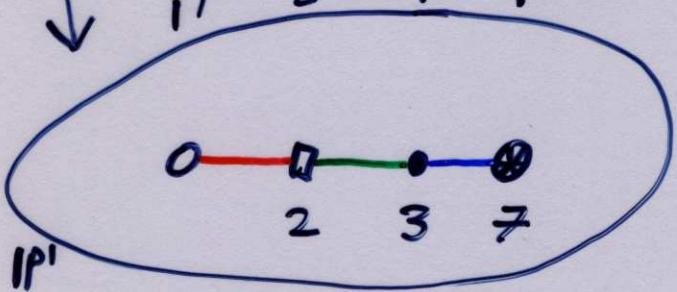
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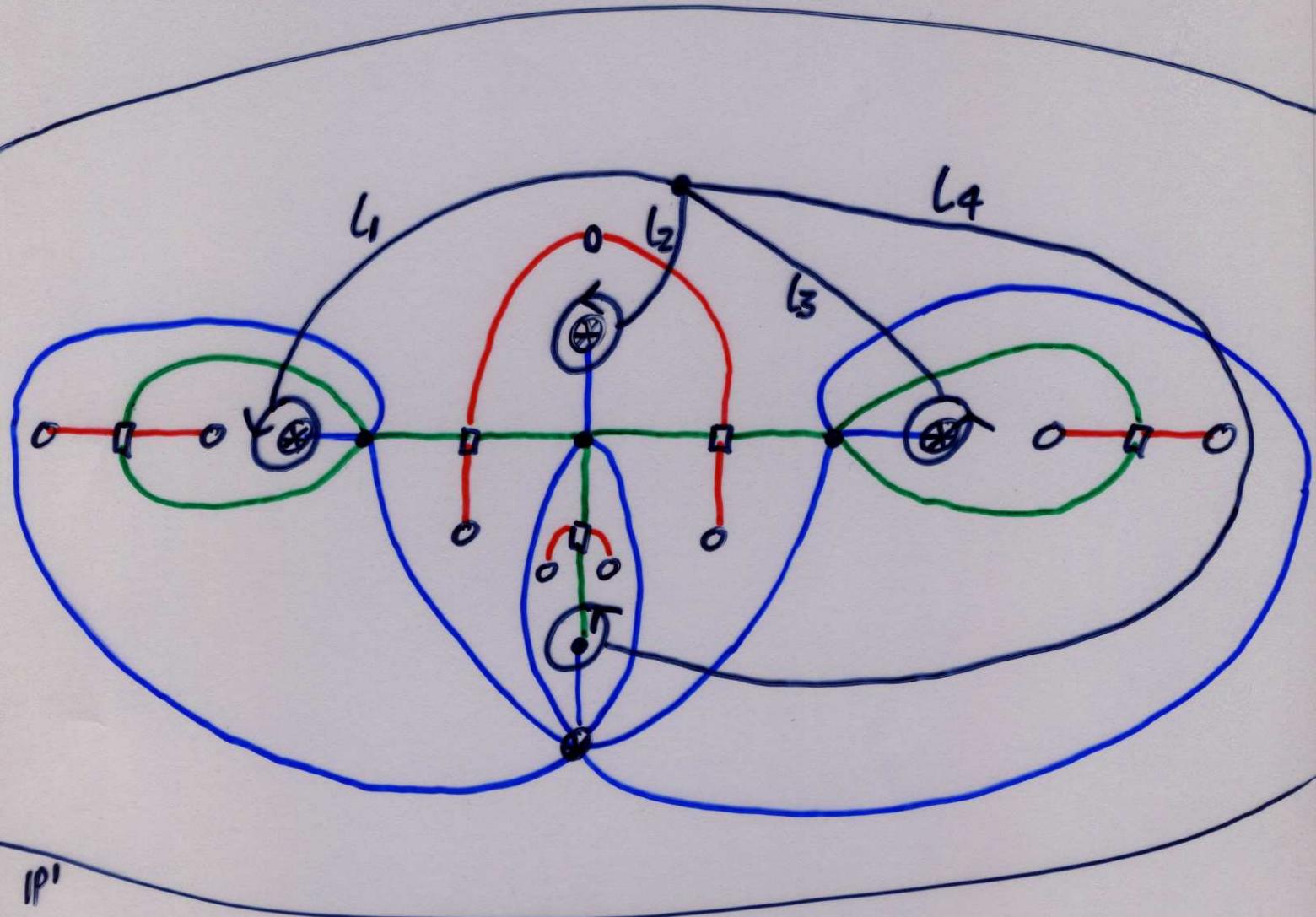


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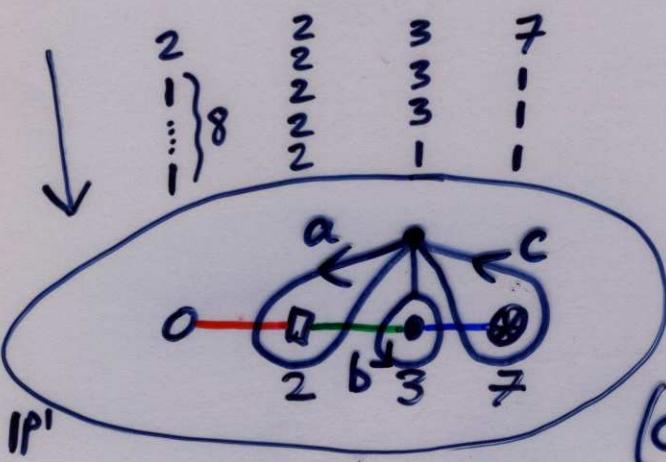
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$(cba=1)$

$$\begin{aligned}L_1 &= c a c a^{-1} c^{-1} \\L_2 &= c \\L_3 &= c^{-1} a^{-1} c a c \\L_4 &= c^{-3} b c^3\end{aligned}$$

## Simple observation

Can write down topological PII solution

from topology of  $f$ , by hand

(don't need  $f$  explicitly)

- go through Doran's list & find top. solutions
- compute explicitly by previous asymptotic method.

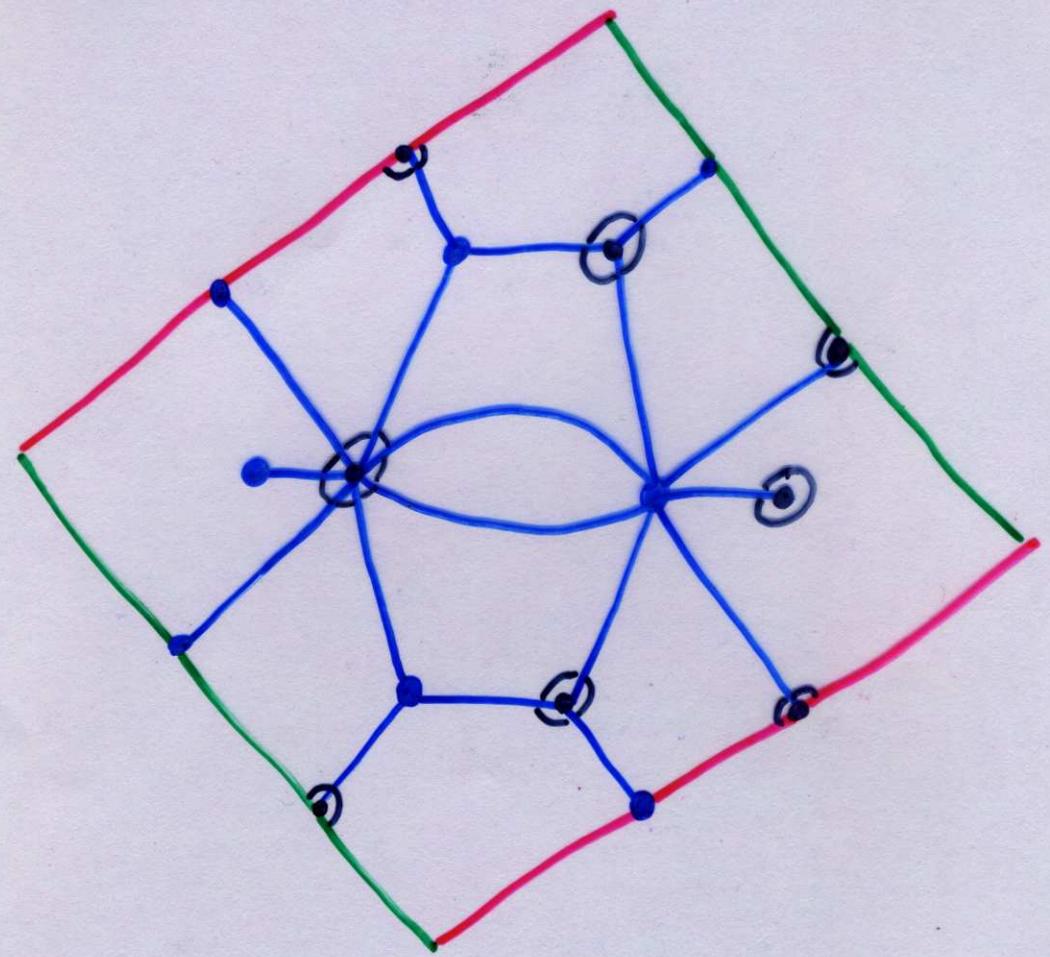
2, 3, 7 solution  
 genus one, 18 branches  
 $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = (2/7, 2/7, 2/7, 1/3)$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{(3s^8 - 2s^7 - 4s^6 - 204s^5 - 536s^4 - 1738s^3 - 5064s^2 - 4808s - 3199)u}{4(s^6 + 196s^3 + 189s^2 + 756s + 154)(s^2 + s + 7)(s + 1)}$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{(s^9 - 84s^6 - 378s^5 - 1512s^4 - 5208s^3 - 7236s^2 - 8127s - 784)u}{432s(s + 1)^2(s^2 + s + 7)^2}$$

where

$$u^2 = s(s^2 + s + 7).$$



- thanks to M. van Hoeij

Icosahedral solution 41

genus one, 18 branches

$$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = (1/3, 1/3, 1/3, 1/3)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{8s^7 - 28s^6 + 75s^5 + 31s^4 - 269s^3 + 318s^2 - 166s + 56}{18u(s-1)(3s^3 - 4s^2 + 4s + 2)}$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{(s+1)(32(s^8+1) - 320(s^7+s) + 1112(s^6+s^2) - 2420(s^5+s^3) + 3167s^4)}{54u^3s(s-1)}$$

where

$$u^2 = s(8s^2 - 11s + 8).$$

(Equivalent to Dubrovin–Mazzocco’s 10 page elliptic solution.)

24 branch Valentiner solution  
(Icosahedral Solution 46)

$$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = (1/3, 1/3, 1/3, 1/2)$$

$$y \equiv \frac{1}{2} - \frac{P}{2(3s^2 - 2s + 2)Ru}, \quad t = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{(s^2 + 4s - 2)Q}{2(s+2)(3s^2 - 2s + 2)^2 u^3}$$

where

$$P = 16s^{11} + 72s^{10} + 50s^9 - 242s^8 - 3143s^7 + 6562s^6 - 8312s^5 + 9760s^4 - 9836s^3 + 6216s^2 - 2288s + 416,$$

$$Q = 8s^{10} + 16s^9 + 24s^8 - 84s^7 + 429s^6 - 312s^5 + 258s^4 - 288s^3 + 288s^2 - 128s + 32,$$

$$R = 26s^6 + 18s^5 - 75s^4 + 50s^3 + 270s^2 - 312s + 104,$$

and where  $(u, s)$  lies on the elliptic curve

$$u^2 = (8s^2 - 7s + 2)(s + 2).$$

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23	6	0	1	$bcd^2$	46, 14, 10, 2	576	$S_6$
24	8	0	1	$ac^2 d$	39, 15, 3, 3	768	$A_8$
25	8	0	1	$acd^2$	45, 9, 9, 3	768	$A_8$
26	9	1	2	$bc^3$	28, 4, 4, 4	288	$A_9$
27	9	1	2	$bd^3$	52, 8, 8, 4	288	$A_9$
28	10	0	2	$a^2 cd$	48, 12, 6, 6	480	$2^7 3 5$
29	10	0	2	$b^3 c$	46, 14, 14, 6	320	$A_{10}$
30	10	0	2	$b^3 d$	42, 2, 2, 2	320	$A_{10}$
31	10	0	3	$c^4$	24, 0, 0, 0	80	$A_{10}$
32	10	0	3	$d^4$	48, 0, 0, 0	80	$A_{10}$
33	12	0	0	$abcd$	43, 11, 7, 1	2304	$A_{12}$
34	12	1	1	$abc^2$	37, 13, 5, 5	1152	$A_{12}$
35	12	1	1	$abd^2$	49, 5, 5, 1	1152	$A_{12}$
36	12	1	1	$b^2 cd$	38, 6, 6, 2	1152	$2^9 3^2 5$
37	15	1	2	$b^3 c$	36, 4, 4, 4	480	$A_{15}$
38	15	1	2	$b^3 d$	48, 8, 8, 8	480	$A_{15}$
39	15	1	2	$b^2 c^2$	32, 8, 0, 0	720	$S_{15}$
40	15	1	2	$b^2 d^2$	44, 4, 0, 0	720	$S_{15}$
41	18	1	3	$b^4$	40, 0, 0, 0	144	$2^{14} 3^4 5 7$
42	20	1	1	$ab^2 c$	41, 9, 9, 1	1920	$A_{20}$
43	20	1	1	$ab^2 d$	47, 7, 3, 3	1920	$A_{20}$
44	20	1	3	$a^2 c^2$	42, 18, 0, 0	480	$2^{17} 3^4 5^2 7$
45	20	1	3	$a^2 d^2$	54, 6, 0, 0	480	$2^{17} 3^4 5^2 7$
46	24	1	2	$ab^3$	45, 5, 5, 5	768	$2^{20} 3^5 5^2 7 11$
47	30	2	2	$a^2 bc$	46, 14, 4, 4	1440	$2^{24} 3^6 5^3 7^2 11 13$
48	30	2	2	$a^2 bd$	52, 8, 2, 2	1440	$2^{24} 3^6 5^3 7^2 11 13$
49	36	3	3	$a^2 b^2$	50, 10, 0, 0	864	$2^{23} 3^4 5 7$
50	40	3	3	$a^3 c$	51, 9, 9, 9	320	$2^{25} 3^4 5^2 7$
51	40	3	3	$a^3 d$	57, 3, 3, 3	320	$2^{25} 3^4 5^2 7$
52	72	7	3	$a^3 b$	55, 5, 5, 5	576	$2^{32} 3^4 5 7$

# Quadratic / Landen / Folding transformations

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Kitaeu's perspective:

If  $A$  a fuchsian system with poles at  $0, \infty, 1, \infty$   
 $\&$  with (proj.) monodromy of order 2 at  $0, \infty$

- pullback  $A$  along  $z \mapsto z^2$
- get system  $B$  with 4 non-apparent sing.s  
 at  $\pm 1, \pm \sqrt{\epsilon}$

- remove apparent sing.s & renormalize

\* IMDS of  $A \Leftrightarrow$  IMDS of resulting system \*

$\rightsquigarrow$  get transform relating certain  $P_{\text{II}}$  solutions  
 (codim 2 in param. space)

- Much simpler explicit formulae for transform later  
 (conjugate by Okamoto transformations)  
 (Ramani, Grammaticos, Tamizhmani 2000)

## Icosahedral solutions with $\geq 5$ branches

	Degree	Genus	Walls	$A_5$ Type	Alcove Point	No.	Group (size)
20	5	0	1	$b^2 cd$	44, 12, 12, 4	480	$S_5$
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Solution 52  
 72 branches, genus 7  
 $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = (1/12, 1/12, 1/12, 11/12)$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{9(j-1)(j^3 + 27j^2 - 57j + 79)wv + 2(2j^2 - 2j + 5)(j^2 - 7j + 1)(2j^4 + 2j^3 - 3j^2 - 58j + 107)(j^2 - 4j + 13)^2}{6(j^2 - 1)(2j^2 + j + 17)(j^3 - 3j^2 + 3j - 11)(2j - 7)^2 v}$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{(s+1)(32(s^8 + 1) - 320(s^7 + s) + 1112(s^6 + s^2) - 2420(s^5 + s^3) + 3167s^4)}{54s(s-1)u^3}$$

on the curve in  $\mathbb{P}^3$  with affine equations:

$$v^2 = -(j+1)(6+j^2-2j)(4j^2-13j+19),$$

$$w^2 = (j-1)(2j-7)(j+1)(2j^2+j+17)(4j^2-13j+19)$$

where

$$s = \frac{j^2 - 1}{2j - 7}, \quad u = \frac{w}{(2j - 7)^2}.$$

In fact this genus 7 curve is birational to the plane octic cut out by:

$$9(p^6q^2 + p^2q^6) + 18p^4q^4 + 4(p^6 + q^6) + 26(p^4q^2 + p^2q^4) + 8(p^4 + q^4) + 57p^2q^2 + 20(p^2 + q^2) + 16$$

## Open problems

- Prove there are no more algebraic solutions
- Explain why all such solutions are defined /  $\mathbb{Q}$
- Extend Hitchin's twistor approach to the icosahedral case  
~ Umemura-Mukai's Fano 3-fold