

Matrix Painlevé equations

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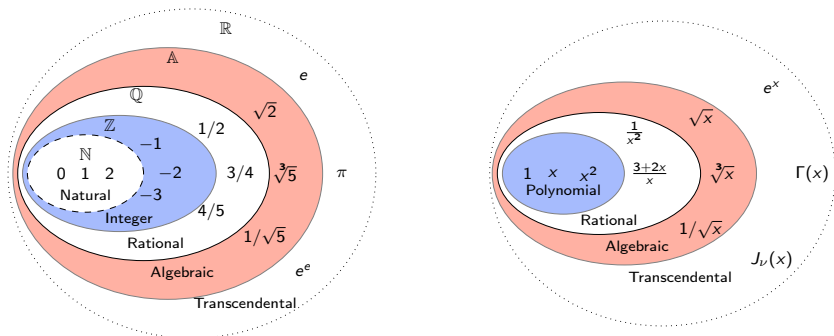
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Historical remarks



Number systems and function classes [Joshi, 2019]

- **Problem:** define new functions by an ODE of the m^{th} order with properties that generalize those of elliptic functions. [L. Fuchs], [H. Poincaré]
- **Painlevé property:** the general solution of an ODE has no critical movable points.
- $m = 2$: the Painlevé transcendents. [Painlevé, 1902], [Gambier, 1910]

The Painlevé-1 equation: scalar case

$$y'' = 6y^2 + z,$$

$$y(z), z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

P_1

- Symmetry reduction of the KdV equation:

$$\underbrace{w_t + 12ww_x + w_{xxx} = 0}_{\text{the KdV equation}} \Rightarrow \left| \begin{array}{l} w(x, t) = -y(z) + t, \\ z(x, t) = x - 6t^2 \end{array} \right| \Rightarrow \underbrace{y'' = 6y^2 + z}_{\text{the } P_1 \text{ equation}}$$

- System:

$$\begin{cases} u' = v, \\ v' = 6u^2 + z, \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow P_1 \quad \text{for} \quad y(z) = u(z).$$

- Isomonodromic property:

$$dY(\lambda, z) = (A(\lambda, z)d\lambda + B(\lambda, z)dz) Y(\lambda, z) \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \partial_z A - \partial_\lambda B = [B, A]$$

the flatness condition

with matrices A and B [Jimbo and Miwa, 1981]

$$A(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda^2 + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} -v & u^2 + \frac{1}{2}z \\ -4u & v \end{pmatrix}, \quad B(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- The Painlevé-Kovalevskaya (PK) test:

$$y(z) = (z - z_0)^{-2} - \frac{z_0}{10}(z - z_0)^2 - \frac{1}{6}(z - z_0)^3 + \sigma(z - z_0)^4 + \dots$$

The Painlevé-1 equation: matrix case

$$y'' = 6y^2 + z\mathbb{I} + \mathbf{a}, \quad y(z), \mathbf{a} \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad z \in \mathbb{C}. \quad \mathbf{P}_1^0$$

- Symmetry reduction of the matrix KdV equation:

$$w_t + 6ww_x + 6w_x w + w_{xxx} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} w(x, t) = -y(z) + t\mathbb{I}, \\ z(x, t) = x - 6t^2 \end{array} \right| \Rightarrow y'' = 6y^2 + z\mathbb{I} + \mathbf{a}$$

the matKdV equation
the Galilean transformation
the \mathbf{P}_1^0 equation

- System:

$$\begin{cases} u' = v, \\ v' = 6u^2 + z\mathbb{I} + \mathbf{a}, \end{cases} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{P}_1^0 \quad \text{for} \quad y(z) = u(z).$$

- Isomonodromic representation with matrices A and B

$$A(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{I} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda^2 + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 4\mathbb{I} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} -v & u^2 + \frac{1}{2}z\mathbb{I} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a} \\ -4u & v \end{pmatrix},$$

$$B(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{I} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 4\mathbb{I} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- The matrix PK test [Baldin and Sokolov, 1998]:

$$y'' = 6y^2 + z\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a}, \quad \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad \text{iff} \quad \mathbf{b} = \beta\mathbb{I}, \quad \beta \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (1)$$

Classification problems

The Painlevé-2 equation

Scalar case

$$y'' = 2y^3 + zy + \left(\theta - \frac{1}{2}\right), \quad y(z), z, \theta \in \mathbb{C}. \quad P_2$$

- ▶ Self-similar reduction of the modified KdV equation:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} w_t - 6w^2 w_x + w_{xxx} = 0 & \Rightarrow & \left. \begin{array}{l} w(x, t) = y(z) (3t)^{-1/3}, \\ z(x, t) = x (3t)^{-1/3} \end{array} \right| \Rightarrow y'' = 2y^3 + zy + \tilde{\theta} \\ \text{the mKdV equation} & & \text{the transformation} \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{the } P_2 \text{ equation} \end{array}$$

- ▶ System:

$$\begin{cases} u' = -u^2 + v - \frac{1}{2}z, \\ v' = 2uv + \theta, \end{cases} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad P_2 \quad \text{for} \quad y(z) = u(z).$$

- ▶ Lax pairs: [Flaschka and Newell, 1980], [Jimbo and Miwa, 1981], [Harnad et al., 1993].

Matrix case [Adler and Sokolov, 2021]

- ▶ Ansatz for matrix generalizations:

$$\begin{cases} u' = -u^2 + v - \frac{1}{2}z\mathbb{I} - b_1, \\ v' = 2vu + \beta[v, u] + b_2u + ub_3 + b_4, \end{cases} \quad u(z), v(z), b_i \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad z, \beta \in \mathbb{C}.$$

- ▶ There are three non-equivalent systems that pass the matrix PK test: P_2^0, P_2^1, P_2^2 .
- ▶ Symmetry reductions: $\text{matNLS} \rightarrow P_2^0, \text{matmKdV}^1 \rightarrow P_2^1, \text{matmKdV}^2 \rightarrow P_2^2$.
- ▶ Degeneracies: $P_2^i \rightarrow P_1^0$ for any $i = 0, 1, 2$.

The Painlevé-4 equation

Scalar case

$$y'' = \frac{1}{2}y^{-1}y'^2 + \frac{3}{2}y^3 + 4zy^2 + 2(z - \gamma)y + \delta y^{-1}, \quad y(z), z, \gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{C}. \quad P_4$$

► Self-similar reduction of the modified NLS equation: $mNLS \rightarrow P_4$.

► System:

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv - 2zu + \theta_1, \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2uv + 2zv + \theta_2, \end{cases} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad P_4 \quad \text{for} \quad y(z) = u(z).$$

► Isomonodromic Lax pairs: [Jimbo and Miwa, 1981], [Kitaev, 1985].

Matrix case [Bobrova and Sokolov, 2021a], [Bobrova and Sokolov, 2021b]

► Ansatz for matrix generalizations:

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv + \alpha [u, v] - 2zu + b_1 u + u b_2 + b_3 v + v b_4 + b_5, \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2vu + \beta [v, u] + 2zv + c_1 v + v c_2 + c_3 u + u c_4 + c_5, \end{cases}$$

where $u(z), v(z), b_i, c_i \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), z, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$.

► There are **three non-equivalent** systems that pass the matrix PK test: P_4^0, P_4^1, P_4^2 .

► Each of the systems has a non-abelian version of the isomonodromic JM-pair.

► Degeneracies: $P_4^i \rightarrow P_2^i, i = 0, 1, 2$.

The Painlevé-Kovalevskaya test

The Painlevé-Kovalevskaya test: scalar case

- ▶ Suppose that we have a scalar ODE of the m^{th} order for $y = y(z)$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$.
- ▶ Identify all possible **dominant balances** of $y(z)$ near a singular point z_0 :

$$y(z) \sim c_k (z - z_0)^k \quad \text{as } z \rightarrow z_0.$$

- ▶ If all k are integer, then for every **negative** k find possible **resonances** r .
- ▶ If all r are integer, then verify that all **resonant conditions** are satisfied.
- ▶ If for every k there are **m** arbitrary constants (**maximal** solution), then the test is passed.

Example

- ▶ Consider the scalar system

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv - 2zu + c_1, \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2uv + 2zv + c_2, \end{cases}$$

- ▶ One of the dominant balances of the general formal solution near z_0 ,

$$u \sim p(z - z_0)^{k_1}, \quad v \sim q(z - z_0)^{k_2}, \quad z \rightarrow z_0,$$

is given by $k_1 = k_2 = -1$. Then the **residues** p, q are defined by

$$p(-p + 2q + 1) = 0, \quad q(-q + 2p + 1) = 0.$$

- ▶ Therefore, there exist **three types** of the general formal solution:

$$\mathbf{1}: \quad u = -(z - z_0)^{-1} + O(1), \quad v = -(z - z_0)^{-1} + O(1);$$

$$\mathbf{2}: \quad u = (z - z_0)^{-1} + O(1), \quad v = O(1); \quad \mathbf{3}: \quad u = O(1), \quad v = (z - z_0)^{-1} + O(1).$$

- ▶ Each of them is **maximal**. For instance,

$$\mathbf{1}: \quad u = -(z - z_0)^{-1} + \sigma(z - z_0)^2 + \dots, \quad v = -(z - z_0)^{-1} - \sigma(z - z_0)^2 + \dots$$

The Painlevé-Kovalevskaya test: matrix case

$$y^{(m)}(z) = P\left(z, y(z), y'(z), \dots, y^{(m-1)}(z)\right), \quad y(z) \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad (2)$$

where $P(z, y(z), y'(z), \dots, y^{(m-1)}(z))$ is a **homogeneous polynomial** in all its variables with scalar coefficients.

- ▶ Identify all possible **dominant balances** k in a neighborhood of a singular point z_0 :

$$y(z) \sim c_k(z - z_0)^k \quad \text{as} \quad z \rightarrow z_0, \quad c_k \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}).$$

- ▶ If all k are integer, then for every **negative** k determine **the form of the leading matrix coefficient** c_k . Since c_k can be conjugated by an element $G \in GL_n(\mathbb{C})$, the number of arbitrary constants is equal to $\dim \mathcal{O}_{c_k}$.
- ▶ By substitution of the Laurent expansion with matrix coefficients $c_l \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C})$, $l \geq k$, into (2), for every k write recurrence relations for the matrix coefficients c_l in the form

$$(\mathcal{L} - j\mathbb{I})(c_l) = f(c_{l-1}), \quad j, l \in \mathbb{Z},$$

where the linear operator $\mathcal{L} : \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C})$ depends only on c_k .

- ▶ Possible **resonances** r can appear in the case when the operator $(\mathcal{L} - j\mathbb{I})$ is not invertible. If all r are integer, then for every r verify the solvability of **the resonance conditions**.

Concl. If for every k there exist $m \cdot n^2$ arbitrary constants, then the test is satisfied.

Example 1: a polynomial ODE

$$y'(z) = -y^2(z), \quad y(z) \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad z \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (3)$$

- ▶ General formal solution:

$$y(z) = \sum_{l \geq -1} c_l (z - z_0)^l, \quad c_l \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}). \quad (4)$$

- ▶ The substitution of expansion (4) into (3) leads to the system of recurrence relations

$$c_{-1} = c_{-1}^2; \quad (\mathcal{L} - l\mathbb{I})(c_l) = f(c_{l-1}), \quad l \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, \quad (5)$$

where the linear operator $\mathcal{L} : \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C})$ and the function $f(c_l)$ are given by

$$\mathcal{L}(c_l) = -c_{-1}c_l - c_l c_{-1}; \quad f(c_{-1}) \equiv 0, \quad f(c_l) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=0}^l (c_m c_{l-m} + c_{l-m} c_m).$$

- ▶ $c_{-1} = \text{diag}\{\mathbb{I}_{n_1}, 0_{n_2}\}$, with $n_1 + n_2 = n$. Hence, $\dim \mathcal{O}_{c_{-1}} = n^2 - (n_1^2 + n_2^2)$.
- ▶ The dimensions d_λ of the eigenspaces corresponding to the eigenvalues λ of the operator \mathcal{L} :

$$d_{-2} = n_1^2, \quad d_{-1} = 2n_1 n_2, \quad d_0 = n_2^2.$$

- ▶ The resonance appears at $l = 0$. Thus, the number of arbitrary constants equals

$$d_0 + \dim \mathcal{O}_{c_{-1}} = n^2 - n_1^2 = n^2 - 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad n_1 = 1.$$

- ▶ All resonance conditions are satisfied, as $f(c_{-1}) = 0$.
- ▶ Therefore, the general formal solution (4) is maximal, and the test is passed.

Example 2: a system of polynomial ODEs

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv + \alpha[u, v], \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2vu + \beta[v, u], \end{cases} \quad u(z), v(z) \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad z, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (6)$$

- General formal solution:

$$u = \frac{p}{z - z_0} + x_0 + x_1(z - z_0) + \dots, \quad v = \frac{q}{z - z_0} + y_0 + y_1(z - z_0) + \dots \quad (7)$$

- Recurrence relations:

$$-p^2 + 2pq + \alpha[p, q] + p = 0, \quad -q^2 + 2qp + \beta[q, p] + q = 0, \quad (8)$$

$$(\mathcal{L} - k\mathbb{I}) \begin{pmatrix} x_k \\ y_k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_\alpha(x_{k-1}, y_{k-1}) \\ f_\beta(y_{k-1}, x_{k-1}) \end{pmatrix}, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, \quad (9)$$

where $f_\gamma(X_{-1}, Y_{-1}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$ and for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$ the function $f_\gamma(X_k, Y_k)$ is defined by

$$f_\gamma(X_k, Y_k) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{l=0}^k \left(\frac{1}{2}(X_l X_{k-l} + X_{k-l} X_l) - 2X_l Y_{k-l} - \gamma[X_l, Y_{k-l}] \right). \quad (10)$$

- The linear operator $\mathcal{L} : \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}) \oplus \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}) \oplus \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C})$ acts as

$$\mathcal{L} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -pX - Xp + 2(pY + Xq) + \alpha([p, Y] + [X, q]) \\ -qY - Yq + 2(qX + Yp) + \beta([q, X] + [Y, p]) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (11)$$

Isomonodromic Lax pairs

The first approach: reductions

Idea:

- ▶ Find an integrable matrix PDE, whose reduction gives a matrix analog of a Painlevé equation.
- ▶ Rewrite the zero-curvature representation for the PDE as the compatibility condition for the isomonodromic problem for the matrix Painlevé generalization.

Remark.

- ▶ The reduction procedure is usually much more complicated in the matrix case.
- ▶ How to find such a PDE?

Example: $\text{matKdV} \rightarrow \mathbf{P}_1^0$

- ▶ The matrix KdV equation,

$$w_t + 6ww_x + 6w_x w + w_{xxx} = 0,$$

has the following zero-curvature representation $\partial_t U - \partial_x V = [V, U]$ with matrices

$$U(\mu, x, t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2}\mu\mathbb{I} + w \\ -2\mathbb{I} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad V(\mu, x, t) = \begin{pmatrix} -2w_x & 2\mu^2\mathbb{I} + 2\mu w - 4w^2 - w_{xx} \\ -8\mu\mathbb{I} + 8w & 2w_x \end{pmatrix}.$$

- ▶ Using the transformation $w(x, t) = -y(z(x, t)) + t\mathbb{I}$, $z(x, t) = x - 6t^2$, $\lambda(t) = \mu + 2t$, this representation becomes

$$\partial_z A - \partial_\lambda B = [B, A], \quad B(\lambda, z) = U(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2}\lambda\mathbb{I} - y \\ -2\mathbb{I} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$A(\lambda, z) = \frac{1}{2}V(\lambda, z) + 6tU(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} y' & \lambda^2\mathbb{I} - \lambda y + y^2 + \frac{1}{2}z\mathbb{I} + \frac{1}{2}a \\ -4\lambda\mathbb{I} - 4y & -y' \end{pmatrix}.$$

- ▶ The compatibility condition $\partial_z A - \partial_\lambda B = [B, A]$ is equivalent to the matrix \mathbf{P}_1^0 equation.

The second approach: a non-abelinization

Idea:

- ▶ All scalar Painlevé equations have an isomonodromic Lax pair [Jimbo and Miwa, 1981]. Some of them has several Lax pairs.
- ▶ Try to write a non-abelian analog of a scalar pair, using the undetermined coefficients.

Namely:

- Form an ansatz for the matrix pair replacing parameters and variables by non-commutative ones such that in the case of 1×1 -matrices this ansatz coincides with the scalar pair.
- Rewrite all commutative terms in a non-abelian form, e.g.

$$u^2 v \mapsto k_1 u^2 v + k_2 u v u + k_3 v u^2, \quad k_1 + k_2 + k_3 = 1, \quad k_i \in \mathbb{C}.$$

- Reconstruct all possible parameters that cannot be removed by the shifts or scalings in the matrix case.
- ▶ The compatibility condition gives restrictions on this coefficients.

Remark.

- ▶ The scalar pair should be written in the most general form, it cannot be simplified by the shifts, since such shifts may not exist in the matrix case.
- ▶ How to find a scalar pair that can be generalized to the matrix case?

Example: the P_1 equation

Scalar case

- ▶ The system

$$u' = v, \quad v' = 6u^2 + z,$$

has the following isomonodromic representation

$$\partial_z A - \partial_\lambda B = [B, A].$$

- ▶ Matrices A and B are given by

$$A(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda^2 + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} -v & u^2 + \frac{1}{2}z \\ -4u & v \end{pmatrix},$$

$$B(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- ▶ Note that we can make the shift $z \mapsto z + a$, $a \in \mathbb{C}$.

Matrix case

- ▶ When a becomes a matrix, no shift like the above can remove it.
- ▶ Reconstructing this shift in the pair, we obtain a Lax pair for the matrix P_1^0 equation:

$$A(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{I} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda^2 + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 4\mathbb{I} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} -v & u^2 + \frac{1}{2}z\mathbb{I} + \frac{1}{2}a \\ -4u & v \end{pmatrix},$$

$$B(\lambda, z) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{I} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ 4\mathbb{I} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Matrix generalizations of the Painlevé-4 equation

Homogeneous matrix P_4 type systems (1)

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv + \alpha[u, v], \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2vu + \beta[v, u], \end{cases} \quad u(z), v(z) \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad z, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (6)$$

Theorem. [Bobrova and Sokolov, 2021a]

System (6) has three different maximal solutions (7) iff $(\alpha, \beta) \in \Sigma$.

- For the points that are **vertices** of the star in the Figure, two of these series have commuting residues, and for the third one the residues do not commute.
- For the remaining seven points, the residues commute for all maximal series.

► When $[p, q] = 0$, the form of residues is

$$p = \text{diag}(-\mathbb{I}_{k_1}, \mathbb{I}_{k_2}, 0_{k_3}, 0_{k_4}),$$

$$q = \text{diag}(-\mathbb{I}_{k_1}, 0_{k_2}, \mathbb{I}_{k_3}, 0_{k_4});$$

$$1: \quad k_1 = 1, \quad k_2 = k_3 = 0, \quad k_4 = n - 1;$$

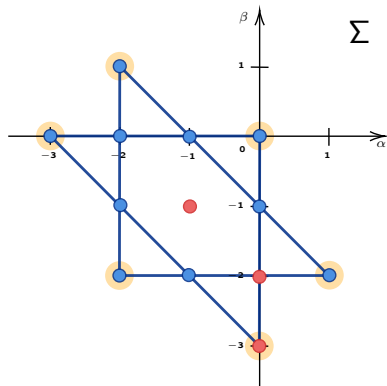
$$2: \quad k_2 = 1, \quad k_1 = k_3 = 0, \quad k_4 = n - 1;$$

$$3: \quad k_3 = 1, \quad k_1 = k_2 = 0, \quad k_4 = n - 1.$$

► When $[p, q] \neq 0$, we have

$$p = \text{diag}(X_2, 0_{n-2}), \quad q = \text{diag}(Y_2, 0_{n-2}),$$

where X_2, Y_2 are some 2×2 matrices defined by solutions of system (8).



Homogeneous matrix P_4 type systems (2)

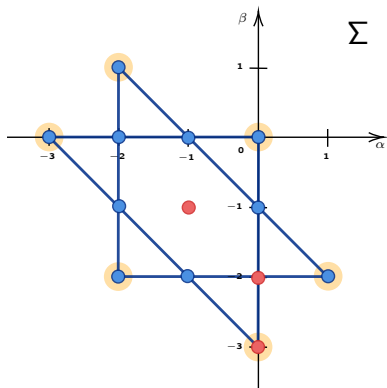
$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv + \alpha[u, v], \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2vu + \beta[v, u], \end{cases} \quad u(z), v(z) \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad z, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (6)$$

► System (6) admits the following symmetries

$$\begin{aligned} 1) \quad & u \leftrightarrow v, \quad \alpha \leftrightarrow \beta; & 2) \quad & u \mapsto u^T, \quad v \mapsto v^T, \quad \alpha \mapsto -\alpha - 2, \quad \beta \mapsto -\beta - 2; \\ 3) \quad & u \mapsto -u, \quad v \mapsto v - u, \quad \alpha \mapsto \alpha, \quad \beta \mapsto -\alpha - \beta - 3. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

► The group generated by involutions (12) of the (α, β) -plane is isomorphic to D_{12} .

► The point $(-1, -1)$, the six points marked with the dots surrounded by an orange rim, and the remaining six points form three orbits of the group action.



Homogeneous matrix P_4 type systems (2)

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv + \alpha[u, v], \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2vu + \beta[v, u], \end{cases} \quad u(z), v(z) \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad z, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (6)$$

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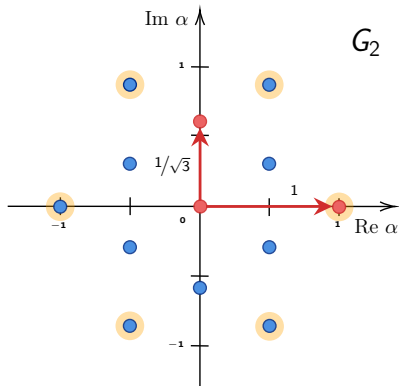
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► There is another equivalent version of system (6), where $\beta = \bar{\alpha}$ and α 's are defined by the root system of G_2 -type:

$$\begin{cases} u' &= v^2 + \alpha[u, v], \\ v' &= u^2 + \beta[v, u]. \end{cases}$$



Deformations of the matrix homogeneous P_4 type systems

Scalar case

- Consider the linear deformation of the homogeneous part of the P_4 system:

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv - 2zu + b_1u + b_2v + c_1, \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2uv + 2zv + b_3v + b_4u + c_2, \end{cases} \quad b_i, c_i \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (13)$$

- The PK test is passed for every type of the general solution of system (13), if the following conditions for the coefficients b_i hold

$$1: \quad b_3 = -b_1, \quad b_4 = -b_2; \quad 2: \quad b_3 = -b_1, \quad b_4 = 0; \quad 3: \quad b_3 = -b_1, \quad b_2 = 0.$$

- We will reconstruct the P_4 system, if **all three solutions** are maximal.

All maximal solutions of a homogeneous system have to allow a prolongation to solutions of the inhomogeneous system while preserving the property of their maximality.

Matrix case

- We will consider the following linear deformation of (6)

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv + \alpha[u, v] - 2zu + b_1u + ub_2 + b_3v + vb_4 + b_5, \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2vu + \beta[v, u] + 2zv + c_1v + vc_2 + c_3u + uc_4 + c_5, \end{cases} \quad b_i, c_i \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}).$$

Matrix generalisations of Painlevé-4

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv + \alpha[u, v] - 2zu + b_1u + ub_2 + b_3v + vb_4 + b_5, \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2vu + \beta[v, u] + 2zv + c_1v + vc_2 + c_3u + uc_4 + c_5. \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

- 1) $u \mapsto iv, \quad v \mapsto iu, \quad z \mapsto -iz;$
- 2) $u \mapsto u^T, \quad v \mapsto v^T;$
- 3) $u \mapsto -iu + R_1, \quad v \mapsto i(v - u - 2z) + R_2, \quad z \mapsto -iz, \quad R_i \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C});$
- 4) $u \mapsto e^{zK} (u + Q_1) e^{-zK}, \quad v \mapsto e^{zK} (v + Q_2) e^{-zK}, \quad K, Q_i \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}).$

Theorem. [Bobrova and Sokolov, 2021a]

Any system (14) that satisfies the matrix Painlevé-Kovalevskaya test can be reduced by transformations 1) – 4) to one of the following:

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + uv + vu - 2zu + hu + \gamma_1 \mathbb{I}, \\ v' &= -v^2 + vu + uv + 2zv - vh + \gamma_2 \mathbb{I}, \end{cases} \quad P_4^0$$

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv - 2zu + h, \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2uv + 2zv + h + \gamma \mathbb{I}, \end{cases} \quad P_4^1$$

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv - 2zu + h_2, \\ v' &= -v^2 + 3uv - vu + 2zv + h_1u + 2h_2 + \gamma \mathbb{I}. \end{cases} \quad P_4^2$$

Here $\gamma, \gamma_i \in \mathbb{C}$, h is an arbitrary matrix and two constant matrices h_1, h_2 are connected by the commutation relation $[h_2, h_1] = -2h_1$.

Isomonodromic Lax pairs

Theorem. [Bobrova and Sokolov, 2021b]

Each of systems $P_4^0 - P_4^2$ has an isomonodromic representation of the form

$$\partial_z A - \partial_\zeta B = [B, A], \quad (15)$$

where ζ is the spectral parameter and $A(\zeta, z)$, $B(\zeta, z)$ are some $2n \times 2n$ -matrices.

Example: the P_4^0 system

► The system

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + uv + vu - 2zu + hu + \gamma_1 \mathbb{I}, \\ v' &= -v^2 + vu + uv + 2zv - vh + \gamma_2 \mathbb{I}, \end{cases} \quad \gamma_i \in \mathbb{C}. \quad P_4^0$$

is equivalent to the compatibility condition (15).

► The Lax pair is given by

$$B(\zeta, z) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{I} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} \zeta + \begin{pmatrix} v - z\mathbb{I} + h & uv + \gamma_1 \mathbb{I} \\ \mathbb{I} & z\mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (16)$$

$$A(\zeta, z) = \begin{pmatrix} -\mathbb{I} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} \zeta + \begin{pmatrix} z\mathbb{I} & -uv - \gamma_1 \mathbb{I} \\ -\mathbb{I} & -z\mathbb{I} + h \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} uv + \frac{1}{2}\gamma_2 \mathbb{I} & -uvu - \gamma_2 u \\ v & -vu - \frac{1}{2}\gamma_2 \mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} \zeta^{-1}.$$

Degeneracies: $P_4 \rightarrow P_2$

$P_4 \rightarrow P_2$: scalar case

$$\begin{cases} u' &= -u^2 + 2uv - 2zu + \theta_1, \\ v' &= -v^2 + 2uv + 2zv + \theta_2, \end{cases} \quad \theta_i \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (17)$$

- Consider the following transformation for the scalar P_4 system (17)

$$z = \frac{1}{4}\varepsilon^{-3} - \varepsilon x, \quad u(z) = -\frac{1}{4}\varepsilon^{-3} - \varepsilon^{-1} f(x), \quad v(z) = -2\varepsilon g(x), \quad (18)$$

$$c_1 = -\frac{1}{16}\varepsilon^{-6}, \quad c_2 = 2\theta, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{C}.$$

- It leads to the ε -dependent system:

$$\begin{cases} f' &= 2\varepsilon^2(2fg - xf) - f^2 + g - \frac{1}{2}x, \\ g' &= 2\varepsilon^2(-g^2 + xg) + 2fg + \theta. \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

- Taking $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, the resulting system is equivalent to the P_2 equation for $y(x) = f(x)$.
► Supplement (18) by $\zeta = 2\varepsilon\lambda$ to obtain from the scalar JM-pair for the P_4 system the Harnad–Tracy–Widom pair [Harnad et al., 1993] for the P_2 system:

$$B(\lambda, x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} -f & 0 \\ -1 & f \end{pmatrix}, \quad (20)$$
$$A(\lambda, x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} -2f & 2f^2 - g + x \\ -2 & 2f \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\theta & 0 \\ -g & -\frac{1}{2}\theta \end{pmatrix} \lambda^{-1}.$$

$P_4 \rightarrow P_2$: matrix case

- ▶ In the matrix case we have the same transformations as in the scalar one.
- ▶ The following degeneracies hold

$$P_4^0 \rightarrow P_2^0,$$

$$P_4^1 \rightarrow P_2^1,$$

$$P_4^2 \rightarrow P_2^2.$$

Example: $P_4^0 \rightarrow P_2^0$

- ▶ For the pair (16) let us apply transformations (18) and $\zeta = 2\varepsilon\lambda$ taking together with

$$h = 4\varepsilon b, \quad \gamma_1 = -\frac{1}{16}\varepsilon^{-6}, \quad \gamma_2 = 2\theta, \quad b \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{C}), \quad \theta \in \mathbb{C}.$$

- ▶ Then, passing to the limit $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, we obtain matrices

$$B(\lambda, x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{I} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} -f & 0 \\ -\mathbb{I} & f \end{pmatrix}, \tag{21}$$

$$A(\lambda, x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2\mathbb{I} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda + \begin{pmatrix} -2f & 2f^2 - g + x\mathbb{I} + 2b \\ -2\mathbb{I} & 2f \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \theta\mathbb{I} & 0 \\ -2g & -\theta\mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} \lambda^{-1}.$$

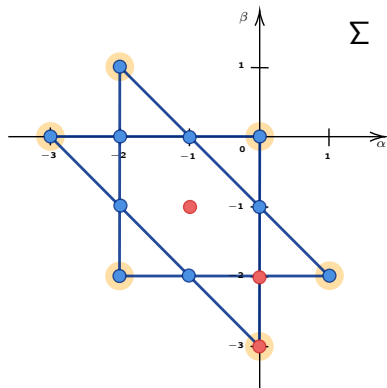
- ▶ The latter defines the Lax pair for a system equivalent to the P_2^0 equation:

$$\begin{cases} f' & = & -f^2 + g - \frac{1}{2}x\mathbb{I} - b, \\ g' & = & fg + gf + \theta\mathbb{I}. \end{cases} \tag{22}$$

Conclusion and further questions

Conclusion

- ▶ The matrix PK test allows us to find out such matrix Painlevé type systems that can admit an **isomonodromic representation**.
- ▶ Methods to construct isomonodromic Lax pairs:
 - **reductions** of integrable PDEs;
 - a **non-abelinization** of known scalar pairs.
- ▶ In the considered classes of matrix generalizations of the Painlevé type systems, there are **three non-equivalent** matrix P_4^i and P_2^i systems, $i = 0, 1, 2$.
- ▶ The degeneration procedure **can be extended** to the matrix case: $P_4^i \rightarrow P_2^i \rightarrow P_1^0$.



What else?

- ▶ Consider **more general classes**.
- ▶ **Detect matrix analogs** for other Painlevé equations.
- ▶ For a given matrix generalization of a Painlevé equation try to find its isomonodromic representation by a non-abelinization procedure of the well-known Lax pairs.
- ▶ Try to **generalize known results** related to the scalar Painlevé equations such as Bäcklund transformations, special solutions, hierarchies, etc.

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