

# ISOMONODROMIC CONFLUENCE OF IRREGULAR SINGULARITIES

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Consider a family of systems of  $p$  ordinary differential equations on the Riemann sphere

$$\frac{dy}{dz} = A(z, t)y, \quad A(z, t) = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^{r_j+1} \frac{A_{-k}^j(t)}{(z - a_j(t))^k}, \quad \sum_{j=1}^n A_{-1}^j(t) = 0, \quad (1)$$

where  $A(z, t)$  depends holomorphically on  $t \in D(t^0)$ ,  $D(t^0)$  is a small neighbourhood of  $t^0$  in a parameter space.

The system (1) is allowed to have Fuchsian singularities and irregular singularities, whose Poincare rank is minimal. The leading terms  $A_{-r_i-1}^i$  are allowed to have equal eigenvalues, i.e. resonant irregular singularities are allowed.

**Definition 1.** Family (1) is called an admissible deformation of the system  $\frac{dy}{dz} = A(z, t^0)y$ , if the following conditions hold.

1.  $a_1(t), \dots, a_n(t)$  are holomorphic and  $a_i(t) \neq a_j(t), \forall t \in D(t^0)$ .
2. All Poincare ranks of (1) are minimal and don't depend on  $t$ .
3. Stokes sectors are deformed by a parallel translation.

**Definition 2.** Admissible deformation (1) of the system  $\frac{dy}{dz} = A(z, t^0)y$  is called isomonodromic, if for any  $t \in D(t^0)$  there is a fundamental solution  $Y(z, t)$  of (1) such, that the following conditions are true.

1. A monodromy representation, defined by  $Y(z, t)$ , is equal to the monodromy representation of the system  $\frac{dy}{dz} = A(z, t^0)y$ .
2. There is a set of fundamental solutions  $Y_1^i(z, t) = Y(z, t), \dots, Y_{N_i}^i(z, t)$  for any irregular singularity  $a_i(t)$  such that according set of the Stokes matrices dose not depend on  $t$ .

The following theorem is well known for deformations with nonresonant irregular points and it can be generalized for any admissible deformations.

**Theorem 1.** The dmissible deformation (1),  $t = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$ , is the isomonodromic one if and only if, there is a meromorphic differential 1-form  $\omega$  on  $\mathbb{CP}^1 \times D(t^0)$  with singularities along  $\{z - a_i = 0\}$  such that

1.  $\omega = A(z, t)dz$  for any fixed value  $t \in D(t^0)$ ;
2.  $d\omega = \omega \wedge \omega$ .

**Theorem 2.** If  $t = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$  and a differential 1-form  $\omega$  on  $\mathbb{CP}^1 \times D(t^0)$  determines the isomonodromic deformation (1), then the general view of  $\omega$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \omega = & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^{r_i+1} \frac{A_{-k}^i(t)}{(z - a_i)^k} d(z - a_i) + \\ & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{\Phi_{M_i, j}^i(t)}{(z - a_i)^{M_i}} + \dots + \frac{\Phi_{1, j}^i(t)}{z - a_i} \right) da_j + \sum_{j=1}^n \Psi_j(t) da_j, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

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where matrices  $\{\Phi_{k,j}^i(t), \Psi_j(t)\}$  are holomorphic on  $D(t^0)$ .

This theorem can be extended to the more general set of parameters  $t$ .

Theorem 2 helps to prove a statement about confluences of irregular singularities. Recall that a question about confluence of regular singularities first was proposed by V. Arnold in [2]. And it was answered completely by A. Bolibruch [3, 4].

**Definition 3.** Let (1) be an isomonodromic deformation. If the limit of the coefficient matrix of (1) exists

$$B(z) = \lim_{a_1, \dots, a_m \rightarrow 0} A(z, t), \quad (3)$$

then the system

$$\frac{dy}{dz} = B(z)y \quad (4)$$

is called a resultant system of the isomonodromic confluence of the singularities  $a_1, \dots, a_m$ .

**Definition 4.** Isomonodromic confluence is called normalized if the differential 1-form  $\omega$  determined by (1) satisfies the identity

$$\omega(z, t)|_{z=\infty} \equiv 0. \quad (5)$$

**Theorem 3.** Let  $p = 2$ . The resultant system of the normalized isomonodromic confluence of fuchsian singularities and irregular non-resonant singularities can't have irregular ramified singular point.

An irregular singular point is a ramified one if the fundamental solution of the (1) has a ramified function in exponent. A system with ramified irregular singular points is more complicated for examination. And to build an isomonodromic deformation of any system with ramified points is undecided issue yet.

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