

## On the Holonomic Deformation of Linear Differential Equations

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**1. Introduction.** Consider a linear differential equation :

$$(1.1) \quad \frac{d}{dx} Y = M(x, t) Y,$$

where  $M(x, t)$  is an  $m \times m$  matrix whose entries are rational functions of  $x$ , and depend on  $t \in U \subset \mathbb{C}^g$  analytically. We call the following problem as extended Fuchs problem. "Give a condition under which there exist a solution whose monodromy groups and Stokes multipliers are independent of  $t$ ".

When the differential equation (1.1) is of the form :

$$\frac{d}{dx} Y = \mathcal{A}(x, t) Y,$$

$$\mathcal{A}(x, t) = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=0}^{r_j} \frac{\mathcal{A}_{j,-k}}{(x - a_j)^{k+1}} - \sum_{k=1}^{r_\infty} \mathcal{A}_{\infty,-k} x^{k-1},$$

the Fuchs problem was studied by Jimbo-Miwa-Ueno [4 and 6]. They show that a solution of this problem is given by a nonlinear differential equation with the Painlevé property. This nonlinear differential equation is called the monodromy preserving deformation equation, called in short MPD equation.

It is known by [7, 8, and 9] that the Garnier system and the Painlevé equations are special cases of MPD equation, and that each of these equations is described as a polynomial Hamiltonian systems. By the use of these results, the contiguity relations of Painlevé equations are given by [10, 11, 12, and 13].

In this paper, we consider the Fuchs problem for the linear differential equation :

$$(1.2) \quad \frac{d}{dx} Y = \frac{1}{x} \mathcal{A}(x, t) Y, \quad \mathcal{A}(x, t) := \sum_{k=0}^{g+1} \mathcal{A}_k x^k,$$

with following assumptions

- (i)  $\mathcal{A}_k$  are  $2 \times 2$  matrices,
- (ii) the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{A}_0$  are distinct up to additive integers,
- (iii) the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{A}_{g+1}$  are distinct.

We show in what follows that the MPD equation

is written as a Hamiltonian system. Notice that if  $g = 1$ , the MPD equation is equivalent to the fourth Painlevé equation, and that if  $g = 2$ , the MPD equation is equivalent to the nonlinear differential equation given in [5].

**2. Holonomic deformation. Theorem 2.1.**

Changing suitably the variables, we can transform (1.2) to the linear differential equation :

$$(2.1) \quad \frac{d}{dx} Y = \frac{1}{x} \sum_{k=0}^{g+1} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_k Y,$$

which satisfies the following conditions :

- $\bar{\mathcal{A}}_{g+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , •  $\det \bar{\mathcal{A}}_0 = 0$ ,
- $\deg \sum_{k=0}^{g+1} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_k x^k \leq g + 1$ , • The (1,1) component of  $\bar{\mathcal{A}}_g$  is 0.

**Theorem 2.2.** The differential equation (2.1) is equivalent to the following equation :

$$(2.2) \quad \frac{d^2}{dx^2} y + p_1(x, t) \frac{d}{dx} y + p_2(x, t) y = 0$$

$$p_1(x, t) = \frac{1 - \kappa_0}{x} - \sum_{k=1}^g t_k x^{k-1} - x^g - \sum_{k=1}^g \frac{1}{x - \lambda_k},$$

$$p_2(x, t) = -\frac{1}{x} \sum_{k=1}^g h_{g+1-k} \cdot x^{k-1} + \kappa_\infty x^{g-1} + \sum_{k=1}^g \frac{\lambda_k \mu_k}{x(x - \lambda_k)},$$

where  $h_k$  ( $k = 1, \dots, g$ ) are

$$h_j = (-1)^{j-1} \sum_{l=1}^g \frac{1}{A'(\lambda_l)} \left[ \lambda_l \sigma_{l,j-1} \mu_l^2 - \sigma_{l,j-1} (\lambda_l^{g+1} + \sum_{k=1}^g t_k \lambda_l^k + \kappa_0) \mu_l + \kappa_\infty \lambda_l^g \sigma_{l,j-1} \right]$$

$$- \sum_{l=1}^g \sum_{k=0}^{j-2} (-1)^k \sigma_{l,k} \lambda_l^{j-1-k} \frac{\mu_l}{A'(\lambda_l)},$$

$$A(\lambda_k) = \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq k}}^g (\lambda_k - \lambda_j),$$

$$\sigma_{k,j} = \frac{1}{j!} \frac{d^j}{dx^j} \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq k}}^g (1 + \lambda_i x) \Big|_{x=0}.$$

The number of accessory parameters (2.2) is  $2g$ . (2.2) has singular points at  $x = 0$  and  $x =$