

A Verification for Non-existence of Movable Branch Points of Six Painlevé Transcendents by Formula Manipulations

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§1. Statement of the problem.

Suppose that the differential equation

$$w'' = F(z, w, w') \quad (' = d/dz)$$

satisfies that F is rational in w' , algebraic in w and analytic in z . Among such class of equations, it is well-known that any irreducible equation without movable critical points (i.e., the branch points and essential singular points) must be one of the following six equations, which are called Painlevé equations:

$$(1) \quad w'' = 6w^2 + z,$$

$$(2) \quad w'' = 2w^3 + zw + \alpha,$$

$$(3) \quad w'' = \frac{1}{w}(w')^2 - \frac{1}{z}w' + \frac{1}{z}(\alpha w^2 + \beta) + \gamma w^3 + \frac{\delta}{w},$$

$$(4) \quad w'' = \frac{1}{2w}(w')^2 + \frac{3}{2}w^3 + 4zw^2 + 2(z^2 - \alpha)w + \frac{\beta}{w},$$

$$(5) \quad w'' = \left(\frac{1}{2w} + \frac{1}{w-1}\right)(w')^2 - \frac{1}{z}w' + \frac{(w-1)^2}{z^2}\left(\alpha w + \frac{\beta}{w}\right) + \frac{\gamma w}{z} + \frac{\delta w(w+1)}{w-1},$$

$$(6) \quad w'' = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{w} + \frac{1}{w-1} + \frac{1}{w-z}\right)(w')^2 - \left(\frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{z-1} + \frac{1}{w-z}\right)w' \\ + \frac{w(w-1)(w-z)}{z^2(z-1)^2}\left\{\alpha + \frac{\beta z}{w^2} + \frac{\gamma(z-1)}{(w-1)^2} + \frac{\delta z(z-1)}{(w-z)^2}\right\}.$$

Conversely, the general solutions of these equations, called Painlevé

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