

ON CONFORMAL MAPPING OF A HYPERELLIPTIC RIEMANN SURFACE ONTO ITSELF

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1. Let W be a bordered Riemann surface, i.e. a compact subregion of a Riemann surface, the relative boundary of which consists of a finite number of closed analytic curves, and \mathfrak{G} be the group of all conformal mappings of W onto itself. For given integers g (≥ 0) and k (≥ 1) we put

$$N(g, k) = \max(\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G}).$$

where $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G}$ means the order of \mathfrak{G} and the maximum is taken with respect to all W having the genus g and k boundary components.

Next, on a closed Riemann surface W of genus g , we take k points p_1, \dots, p_k and consider the group \mathfrak{G}' of all conformal mappings of the region $W - \{p_1, \dots, p_k\}$ onto itself. For given integers g and k , we put

$$N'(g, k) = \max(\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G}'),$$

the maximum being taken with respect to all W of genus g and all sets of k points $p_1, \dots, p_k \in W$.

The values of $N(0, k)$ and $N'(1, k)$ have been completely determined by Heins [1] and Oikawa [4], respectively. An estimation of $N(g, k)$ with $2g + k - 1 \geq 2$, $g \geq 0$ and $k \geq 1$ has been given by Oikawa [4] as a supplement of Hurwitz's [3]. Oikawa [5] has further proved that

$$N(g, k) = N'(g, k)$$

for any $g \geq 0$ and $k \geq 0$ with $2g + k - 1 \geq 2$.

In the present paper, we introduce the quantities of similar nature

$$N_h(g, k) \quad \text{and} \quad N'_h(g, k)$$

where the suffix h means that Riemann surfaces are restricted to hyperelliptic ones.

By carefully tracing the Oikawa's proof of $N(g, k) = N'(g, k)$, we can conclude $N_h(g, k) = N'_h(g, k)$. Therefore, it is sufficient to investigate $N'_h(g, k)$. For later discussion, we use the symbol $N_h(g, k)$ instead of $N'_h(g, k)$. It is to be noted that a surface with $g = 2$ is always hyperelliptic and hence

$$N_h(2, k) = N(2, k).$$

In the following lines, we shall give a general estimation for $N_h(g, k)$ and then show that its exact value can be obtained in case of $g = 2$.

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2. Let W be a hyperelliptic Riemann surface of genus g (≥ 2) which is defined by the algebraic equation

$$(1) \quad y^2 = \prod_{\nu=1}^{2g+2} (x - d_\nu), \quad d_\nu \neq d_\mu \quad (\nu \neq \mu).$$

The normalized differentials of the first kind are

$$du_\nu = \frac{x^{\nu-1}}{y} dx \quad (\nu = 1, \dots, g).$$

Let \mathfrak{G} be a group of all transformations of W onto itself.

LEMMA 1. *A transformation which appears by a projection of $\mathfrak{T} \in \mathfrak{G}$ to x -plane is an elliptic linear transformation unless it is the identity map.*

Proof. Let u_ν be the value of the integral of du_ν at point $p = (x, y) \in W$, and u_ν' the value of u_ν at the point $\mathfrak{T}(p)$. Evidently du_ν' can be expressed as a linear combination of du_μ ($\mu = 1, \dots, g$):

$$du_\nu' = \sum a_{\nu\mu} du_\mu \quad (\nu = 1, \dots, g).$$

We consider functions on W defined by

$$\frac{du_\nu}{du_1} = \frac{x^{\nu-1}/y dx}{1/y dx} = x^{\nu-1} \quad (\nu = 2, \dots, g), \quad \frac{du_2'}{du_1'} = x'$$

where x' is the value of x at the point $\mathfrak{T}(p)$:

$$x' = \frac{du_2'}{du_1'} = \frac{a_{21}du_1 + a_{22}du_2 + \dots + a_{2g}du_g}{a_{11}du_1 + a_{12}du_2 + \dots + a_{1g}du_g} = \frac{a_{21} + a_{22}x + \dots + a_{2g}x^{g-1}}{a_{11} + a_{12}x + \dots + a_{1g}x^{g-1}}.$$

The function x is the projection of p to x -plane. Therefore, from this equation we see that the \mathfrak{T} -images of two points with the same x -value have also the same x -value. The projection of $\mathfrak{T}(p)$ to x -plane is thus a univalent function $T(x)$ on x -plane. Hence, $(2g+2)$ branch-points are merely interchanged among them by \mathfrak{T} .

Since, by Hurwitz [2], $\mathfrak{T}(p)$ is a periodic mapping, the projection $T(x)$ is also periodic unless it is the identity map. Hence, $T(x)$ is a linear transformation. Otherwise, a univalent function $T(x)$ cannot map x -plane one to one. In fact, there were $x_1 \neq x_2$ such that $T(x_1) = T(x_2)$. From the periodicity of $T(x)$, there were a number n such that T^n is the identity E . Hence we would have $T^n(x_1) = T^n(x_2) = x_1$, which contradicts $T^n = E$. A linear transformation having a period is an elliptic linear transformation. Thus, Lemma 1 has been proved.

Our problem thus reduces to the investigation of a map $\mathfrak{T}(p)$ having an x -projection of an elliptic transformation or the identity map. If $T(x)$ is the identity map, $\mathfrak{T}(p)$ is evidently the involutory map which interchanges two sheets unless it is the identity map. Since an elliptic linear transformation $T(x)$ has two fixed points, $\mathfrak{T}(p)$ has at most four fixed points unless $T(x)$ is the identity map. This was proved by Hurwitz [3] in another way.

LEMMA 2. A finite group G of linear transformations of x -plane which has an invariant point-set (d_1, \dots, d_{2g+2}) can be extended to a finite transformation group \mathfrak{G} of W defined by (1) in such a way that the x -projection of \mathfrak{G} is G . By a suitable extension, the order of \mathfrak{G} can be made twice that of G .

Proof. Let T belong to G , and the order of T be n . Without loss of generality, we can assume that the fixed points of T lie at $x=0$ and $x=\infty$. Then T is of the form

$$(2) \quad T(x) = e^{2\pi i/n} x.$$

We divide two cases: (i) one of d_ν is zero, (ii) all d_ν are not zero.

(i) In this case, (1) has the form:

$$(3) \quad y^2 = \prod_{\nu=1}^s (x - d_\nu)$$

where $s=2g+2$ if $x=\infty$ does not coincide with any d_ν and $s=2g+1$ if $x=\infty$ coincides with a d_ν . The invariance of the set (d_1, \dots, d_{2g+2}) under T implies that s is a multiple of n . Substituting (2) into (3), we get two possibilities, i.e.

$$(4) \quad \mathfrak{T}_1 \begin{pmatrix} x \rightarrow e^{2\pi i/n} x \\ y \rightarrow y \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{T}_2 \begin{pmatrix} x \rightarrow e^{2\pi i/n} x \\ x \rightarrow -y \end{pmatrix}.$$

Of course, these are admissible birational transformations. So, we have three possibilities of extension. The first consists of \mathfrak{T}_1 alone, the second of \mathfrak{T}_2 alone, and the third of \mathfrak{T}_1 and \mathfrak{T}_2 . If \mathfrak{T}_1 and \mathfrak{T}_2 occur simultaneously, the extension \mathfrak{T} of T admits the interchange of two sheets.

(ii) In this case, (1) has the form:

$$(5) \quad y^2 = x \prod_{\nu=1}^s (x - d_\nu)$$

where $s=2g+1$ if $x=\infty$ does not coincide with any d_ν and $s=2g$ if $x=\infty$ coincides with a d_ν . As before, we can conclude that s is a multiple of n . Substituting (2) into (5), we get two possibilities, i.e.

$$(6) \quad \mathfrak{T}_3 \begin{pmatrix} x \rightarrow e^{2\pi i/n} x \\ y \rightarrow e^{\pi i/n} y \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{T}_4 \begin{pmatrix} x \rightarrow e^{2\pi i/n} x \\ y \rightarrow -e^{\pi i/n} y \end{pmatrix}.$$

If n is an even number, a cyclic group generated by \mathfrak{T}_3 coincides with that of \mathfrak{T}_4 . But this is not true if n is an odd number. $(\mathfrak{T}_3)^n$ is then an involutory mapping which interchanges two sheets. And the group generated by \mathfrak{T}_4 does not contain it.

From these considerations, we see that T can be extended to \mathfrak{T} in such a way that the order of \mathfrak{T} is twice that of T , and that the extension which does not admit the interchange of sheets does not occur if $x=0$ is a branch-point and further n is an even number.

The extension of G to \mathfrak{G} can be performed by extending all $T \in G$ in such a way that they may admit the interchange of sheets. The number of

fundamental regions of W by \mathfrak{G} is evidently twice that of x -plane by \mathfrak{G} . Thus Lemma 2 has been proved.

3. THEOREM 1. $N_h(g, k) \leq 8(g+1)$ for $g \equiv 2, 3, 5, 9$.

$$N_h(2, k), N_h(3, k) \leq 48, \quad N_h(5, k), N_h(9, k) \leq 120.$$

The equality sign in these estimation is attained if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} k &= 2(g+1)m + \{0 \text{ or } 4\} && \text{for } g \equiv 2, 3, 5, 9, 14; \\ k &= 24m + \{0, 6, 16 \text{ or } 22\} && \text{for } g = 2; \\ k &= 12m + \{0 \text{ or } 8\} && \text{for } g = 3; \\ k &= 60m + \{0, 12, 40 \text{ or } 52\} && \text{for } g = 5; \\ k &= 60m + \{0, 20, 24 \text{ or } 44\} && \text{for } g = 9; \\ k &= 120m + \{0, 4, 24, 30, 40, 54, 60, 64, 70 \text{ or } 94\} && \text{for } g = 14. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since a closed Riemann surface of genus $g \leq 2$ admits only a finite number of conformal mappings onto itself, x -projection of \mathfrak{G} is also a finite group. Let G be a finite group of x -plane and N be its order. Fixed points of $T \in G$ are divided to h congruent sets. Let n_i ($i=1, \dots, h$) be the number of congruent points which belong to the i -th set. The order of T which have fixed points belong to the i -th set is N/n_i . In order that set of $(2g+2)$ branch-points are invariant under G the relation

$$(7) \quad 2g+2 = mN + \sum_{i=1}^h a_i n_i$$

must be satisfied, where m is the number of branch-points in a fundamental region of G and a_i the number of branch-points lying on a fixed point corresponding to the i -th set. a_i is equal to 0 or 1. By Lemma 2, if there are some numbers m, a_i satisfying (1), G can be extended to some \mathfrak{G} of W with the order $2N$ or N .

We now consider the invariant point set $(p_1, \dots, p_k) = \{p_i\}$. In order that G may be extended to some \mathfrak{G} , in other words, G may be x -projection of some \mathfrak{G} , k must satisfy certain conditions. We distinguish two cases:

(i) Let \mathfrak{G} admit an involutory map which interchange two sheets. Then the p_i which do not lie on branch-points are pairly distributed on W , i.e. two points having the same x -projection are either belong to $\{p_i\}$ simultaneously or not. Then k must satisfy the relation

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} k &= m'N + \sum n_i(2 - a_i)\delta_i && \text{for } m > 0, \\ k &= 2m'N + \sum n_i(2 - a_i)\delta_i && \text{for } m = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where m' or $2m'$ is the number of points p_i in a two sheeted fundamental region of G , and $(2 - a_i)\delta_i$ the number of points p_i lying on one fixed point corresponding to the i -th set. δ_i is either 0 or 1. If there is a set of numbers g, k, a_i, m' and δ_i satisfying (7) and (8), G can be extended to \mathfrak{G} with the order $2N$. We call this extension a double extension.

(ii) Let \mathfrak{G} do not admit the involutory map which interchanges two

sheets. By previous consideration, this case occurs only when there is no branch-point lying on a fixed point of an elliptic transformation of an even order. A fundamental region of \mathfrak{G} is two-sheeted one of G . Except the fixed points, two distinct points having the same x -value are not congruent with respect to \mathfrak{G} . Hence the order of \mathfrak{G} is N . Then k must satisfy relation

$$(9) \quad k = m'N + \sum n_i \alpha_i$$

where m' has the same meaning as in (1), and α_i is the number of p_i lying on a fixed point. α_i is equal to 0, 1 or 2. Though some numbers g, k, m, a, m' and α_i are suitably chosen within the conditions (7) and (9), we must not conclude that G can be extended to \mathfrak{G} . As shown by the following example, α_i is restricted in some cases. Let G be a cyclic group generated by $T(x) = e^{\tau \nu/3} x$. Then $n_1 = 1$ and $n_2 = 1$. Let the branch-points coincide with $p_i = e^{\nu \pi i/3}$ ($\nu = 0, 1, \dots, 5$) and $g = 2$. Then $a_1 = a_2 = 0$ and $m = 1$. If $\alpha_1 = 1$, only $\alpha_2 = 0, 2$ are admissible numbers. In general, two fixed points corresponding to a transformation cause a relation between two α_i .

But it is important that the ranges of α_i are certainly determined, whenever G is given and the positions of branch-points are fixed by (7). And for admissible numbers α_i , there exists one \mathfrak{G} which has G as its x -projection. We call this extension a single extension.

It is well known that a finite group of linear transformations is one of the following five groups. We list the groups together with their numbers N and n .

| | N | n_1 | n_2 | n_3 |
|--|------|-------|-------|-------|
| (E) Elliptic cyclic group of order n : | n | 1 | 1 | |
| (D) Dihedral group of order $2n$: | $2n$ | n | n | 2 |
| (T) Tetrahedral group: | 12 | 6 | 4 | 4 |
| (O) Octahedral group: | 24 | 12 | 8 | 6 |
| (I) Icosahedral group: | 60 | 30 | 20 | 12 |

We now study the possibilities of values of the number g for each group, and if necessary we determine the values of the number k , using the fact that g, n_i, a_i , and m will have been already determined.

(E) Elliptic cyclic group of order n . (7) becomes

$$(10) \quad 2g + 2 = nm + a_1 + a_2.$$

From $2g + 2 \geq 6$, $m \geq 1$. We get $n = (2g + 2 - a_1 - a_2)/m \leq 2g + 2$. Equality occurs only when $a_1 = a_2 = 0$ and $m = 1$. Then, $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G} \leq 2N = 4(g + 1)$.

(D) Dihedral group of order $2n$. (7) becomes

$$(11) \quad 2g + 2 = 2nm + na_1 + na_2 + 2a_3.$$

From $2g + 2 \geq 6$, $m + a_1 + a_2 \geq 1$. Hence $n = (2g + 2 - 2a)/(2m + a_1 + a_2) \geq 2g + 2$. Equality occurs only when $a_1 + a_2 = 1$ and $a_3 = m = 0$. From $a_1 + a_2 = 0$, only double extensions occur. Then $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G} = 2N = 4n = 8(g + 1)$. (8) becomes

$$k = 4(2g+2)m' + (2g+2)\delta_1 + 2(2g+2)\delta_2 + 2 \times 2\delta_3 = 2(g+1)m_1' + \{0 \text{ or } 4\},$$

where m_1' is an arbitrary non-negative integer.

(T) Tetrahedral group. (7) becomes

$$2g+2 = 12m + a_1 + 4a_2 + 4a_3 = 2m_1 \quad (m_1 \geq 3).$$

ord. $\mathfrak{G} \leq 12 \times 2 < 8(g+1)$ for $g \geq 3$.

(O) Octahedral group. (7) becomes

$$2g+2 = 24m + 12a_1 + 8a_2 + 6a_3 = 6m_1 + \{0 \text{ or } 2\}.$$

$$g = 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, \dots \text{ ord. } \mathfrak{G} \leq 2 \times 24 < 8(g+1)$$

for $g \neq 2, 3, 5$.

When $g = 2$, $m = a_1 = a_2 = 0$, $a_3 = 1$.

$$k = 2m' \times 24 + 12 \times 2\delta_1 + 8 \times 2\delta_2 + 6\delta_3 = 24m_1' + \{0, 6, 16 \text{ or } 22\}.$$

When $g = 3$, $m = a_1 = a_3 = 0$, $a_2 = 1$. For double extensions,

$$k = 2m' \times 24 + 12 \times 2\delta_1 + 8 \times \delta_2 + 6 \times 2\delta_3 = 12m_1' + \{0 \text{ or } 8\}.$$

(I) Icosahedral group. (7) becomes

$$2g+2 = 60m + 30a_1 + 20a_2 + 12a_3 = 60m + \{0, 12, 20, 30, 32, 42, 50, 62\}.$$

$$g = 5, 9, 14, 15, 20, 24, 29, 30, \dots \text{ ord. } \mathfrak{G} \leq 2 \times 60 < 8(g+1)$$

for $g \neq 5, 9, 14$.

When $g = 5$, $m = a_1 = a_2 = 0$, $a_3 = 1$. For double extensions,

$$k = 2 \times 60m' + 30 \times 2\delta_1 + 20 \times 2\delta_2 + 12\delta_3 = 60m_1' + \{0, 12, 40 \text{ or } 52\}.$$

When $g = 9$, $m = a_1 = a_3 = 0$, $a_2 = 1$. For double extensions,

$$k = 2 \times 60m' + 30 \times 2\delta_1 + 20\delta_2 + 12 \times 2\delta_3 = 60m_1' + \{0, 20, 24 \text{ or } 44\}.$$

When $g = 14$, $m = a_2 = a_3 = 0$, $a_1 = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} k &= 2 \times 60m' + 30\delta_1 + 2 \times 20\delta_2 + 12 \times 2\delta_3 \\ &= 120m_1' + \{0, 12, 15, 20, 27, 32, 35 \text{ or } 47\}. \end{aligned}$$

All cases have been examined and the estimation $N_h(g, k) \leq 8(g+1)$ has been established for $g \neq 2, 3, 5, 9, 14$. Equalities occur only when k is a number assigned in the theorem and the corresponding group is dihedral. For $g = 2, 3$, the maximum of $N_h(g, k)$ is 48 and the group is octahedral. For $g = 5, 9$, the maximum of $N_h(g, k)$ is 120 and the group is icosahedral. For $g = 14$, the maximum $N_h(g, k) = 120$ is attained both by a dihedral group and by the icosahedral one. Summing up, Theorem 1 has been proved.

4. THEOREM 2. $8 \leq N_h(g, 2k_1),$
 $4 \leq N_h(g, 2k_1 + 1) \leq 4(g+1).$

Proof. The exact upper bound of $N_h(g, 2k)$ is given by the estimation in Theorem 1. By any choice of g and k , an elliptic cyclic group of order 2 which satisfies the branch condition $a_1 = a_2 = 1$ can be extended to a \mathfrak{G} of order 4. For the double extension, we get the equations

$$2g + 2 = 2m + 2 \quad \text{and} \quad k = 2m' + \delta_1 + \delta_2$$

which are always solved by g and k . And $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G} = 2N = 4$.

For $k = 2k_1$, a dihedral extension of order 4 satisfying the condition $a_1 = a_2 = 1$ can be extended to a \mathfrak{G} of order 8. For the double extension,

$$2g + 2 = 4m + 4 + 2a_3 \quad \text{and} \quad k = 4m' + 2\delta_1 + 2\delta_2 + 2(2 - a_3)\delta_3$$

which are always solved by g and k . So $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G} = 2N = 8$.

If $k = 2k_1 + 1$ the relations (8) and (9) imply that tetra-, octa- and icosahedral groups can never occur. In cases of elliptic cyclic and dihedral groups having single extension, we get $N_h(g, k) \leq 4(g + 1)$. Hence, only dihedral groups having double extension must be examined. From (11), $n(a_1 + a_2)$ is an even number, and from (8), $k = 2mn + n(2 - a_1)\delta_1 + n(2 - a_2)\delta_2 + 2(2 - a_3)\delta_3$. As k is an odd number, $n(a_1\delta_1 + a_2\delta_2)$ and n are odd numbers so that we have $a_1 = a_2 = 1$. Thus from (11), we get $n = (2g + 2 - 2a_3)/(2m + a_1 + a_2) = (g + 1 - a_3)/(m + 1) \leq g + 1$. Consequently, $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G} = 2N = 4n \leq 4(g + 1)$.

THEOREM 3. *For fixed g , $N_n(g, k)$ is a periodic function of k for $k \geq 124$. And $P = 120g(g + 1)(2g + 1)$ is surely a period.*

Proof. In the case of an elliptic group, the relation (10) implies $Nm = 2g + 2 - a_1 - a_2$, and either $2g + 2$, $2g + 1$ or $2g$ is a multiple of N . For a dihedral group, the relation (10) implies $(2m + a_1 + a_2)N = 2(2g + 2 - 2a_3)$ and either $4g$ or $4(g + 1)$ is a multiple of N . Hence, $P/2$ is a multiple of N in each case.

For given g and k we consider a distribution of branch-points such that the order of the extension \mathfrak{G} is exactly $N_h(g, k)$. This distribution is not always unique. From (7), (8) and (9), there exist a_i , δ_i , m , m' , α_i and n_i such that the relations

$$2g + 2 = mN + \sum a_i n_i \quad \text{and} \quad k = m'N + \sum n_i \beta_i$$

are satisfied. Here any n_i which is a multiple of N is gathered in the term of $m'N$. So, $\sum n_i \beta_i$ is a constant independent of N . m' does not always run over all non-positive integers, and the variation range depends on the position of branch-points. From the definition of $N_h(g, k)$ there is no such distribution which can be extended to a group \mathfrak{G}' of order greater than $N_h(g, k)$. Let $P = 2sN$. We have

$$k + P = m'N + \sum n_i \beta_i + 2sN = (m' + 2s)N + \sum n_i \beta_i.$$

Here, $m' + 2s$ is an admissible number in any case, so that this distribution can be extended to \mathfrak{G} . Hence, $N_h(g, k) \leq N_h(g, k + P)$.

In order to show that the equality in the last inequality must hold, suppose the contrary. Then, there exists another distribution expressed by

$$2g + 2 = \bar{m}\bar{N} + \sum \bar{a}_i \bar{n}_i \quad \text{and} \quad k + P = \bar{m}'\bar{N} + \sum \bar{n}_i \bar{\beta}_i.$$

And this distribution can be extended to a group $\bar{\mathfrak{G}}$ of order greater than

$N_h(g, k)$. Let $P = 2\bar{s}\bar{N}$. We have $k = \bar{N}(\bar{m}' - 2\bar{s}) + \sum \bar{n}_i\bar{\alpha}_i$. If $\bar{m}' - 2\bar{s} \geq 0$, this number is admissible for this distribution. From the previous consideration we get $\max \sum \bar{n}_i\bar{\alpha}_i = 124$, and this is attained by the icosahedral group with $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = 0$. Hence our hypothesis implies $\bar{m} - 2s \geq 0$, and it is admissible. We then have $N_h(g, k) \geq \text{ord. } \mathfrak{G} > N_h(g, k)$, which is absurd.

As is seen from the above discussions, it is sufficient to take P equal to L.C.M. of $\{2(g+1), 2(2g+1), 8g, 120, 48\}$.

5. Let us examine the case $g=2$. Since $g_h(2, k) = g(2, k)$ in this case, our interest is profound. Other cases $g \geq 3$ can also be treated by a similar method so that we do not enter in detail.

THEOREM 4. $N(2, k)$ has the following value:

- 48 for $k = 24m + \{0, 6, 16 \text{ or } 22\}$,
- 24 for $k = 24m + \{4, 8, 10, 12, 14 \text{ or } 18\}$,
- 16 for $k = 24m + \{2 \text{ or } 20\}$,
- 12 for $k = 12m + \{3 \text{ or } 7\}$,
- 10 for $k = 60m + \{1, 5, 11, 13, 17, 21, 23, 25, 33, 35, 37, 41, 45, 47, 53 \text{ or } 57\}$,
- 8 for $k = 60m + \{9, 29 \text{ or } 49\}$,
- 6 for $k = 60m + 59$,

where m is an arbitrary non-positive integer.

Proof. As already seen, the octahedral group occurs only when $k = 24m + \{0, 6, 16 \text{ or } 22\}$, because single extension does not occur for $a_3 = 1$. For these numbers, we have $N(2, k) = 48$, which is equal to the maximal value of $N(2, k)$. The tetrahedral group occurs only when $a_1 = 1, m = a_2 = a_3 = 0$. As before, there occur only double extensions, and $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G} = 12 \times 2$. By (8),

$$k = 12 \times 2m' + 6\delta_1 + 2 \times 4\delta_2 + 2 \times 4\delta_3 = 8m_1' + \{0 \text{ or } 6\}.$$

For dihedral groups, we have from (11) $n = (6 - 2a_3)/(2m + a_1 + a_2)$. We list all the cases of double extensions.

| | a_1+a_2 | a_3 | m | n | N | $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G}$ | k |
|----------------|-----------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------------|---|
| D ₁ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 12 | 24 | $24m' + 12\delta_1 + 6\delta_2 + 4\delta_3 = 6m_1' + \{0 \text{ or } 4\}$ |
| D ₂ | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 16 | $16m' + 8\delta_1 + 4\delta_2 + 2\delta_3 = 2m_1'$ |
| D ₃ | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 12 | $12m' + 3\delta_1 + 3\delta_2 + 4\delta_3 = 12m_1'$ $+ \{0, 3, 4, 6, 7 \text{ or } 10\}$ |
| D ₄ | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 12 | $6m' + 6\delta_1 + 6\delta_2 + 4\delta_3 = 6m_1' + \{0 \text{ or } 4\}$ |
| D ₅ | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | $4m' + 4\delta_1 + 2\delta_2 + 4\delta_3 = 2m_1'$ |
| D ₆ | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 8 | $4m' + 4\delta_1 + 4\delta_2 + 2\delta_3 = 2m_1'$ |
| D ₇ | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 8 | $8m' + 2\delta_1 + 2\delta_2 + 2\delta_3 = 2m_1'$ |

The possibility of the single extension occurs only for D_4 and D_6 . In the case of a single extension of D_4 , each branch-point does not lie on any fixed point. Hence we take the extension of two generators corresponding to a_1 and a_3 in the type of \mathfrak{T}_1 of (4). From the position of the branch-points the extension of one remained generator must be of the type \mathfrak{T}_2 of (4). Then,

$$k = 6m' + 3\alpha_1 + 3\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3$$

where $\alpha_1, \alpha_3 = 0, 1$ or 2 and $\alpha_2 = 0$ or 2 . There may be other possibilities of k other than these. But we need not examine them. From this relation k may be an arbitrary integer for $k \geq 2$. From this example only, we can immediately conclude $N(2, k) \geq 6$ for $k \neq 1$. We need not examine the single extension of D_6 , because $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G}$ is only 4 .

We next treat the elliptic cyclic groups. From (10), we have $n = (6 - a_1 - a_2)/m$. Since a single extension produces \mathfrak{G} of order ≤ 6 , we need only double extensions of order $6, 5$ or 4 . Concerning these possibilities we list for the cases of elliptic cyclic groups.

| | $a_1 + a_2$ | m | $n = N$ | $\text{ord. } \mathfrak{G}$ | k |
|-------|-------------|-----|---------|-----------------------------|--|
| E_1 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 12 | $6m' + 2\delta_1 + 2\delta_2 = 2m_1'$ |
| E_2 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 10 | $5m' + \delta_1 + 2\delta_2 = 5m_1' + (0, 1, 2 \text{ or } 3)$ |
| E_3 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 8 | $4m' + \delta_1 + \delta_2 = 4m_1' + (0, 1 \text{ or } 2)$ |

Each k is thus contained somewhere. And the groups which are extended to a \mathfrak{G} of order > 6 are all examined. Hence, for fixed k , in order to determine the number $N(2, k)$, we should take all possibilities of k , and should take the maximal order of \mathfrak{G} . We further note that 120 is a period of $N(2, k)$. The following table give the number of $N(2, k)$ ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 119$) together with the corresponding groups.

| k | $N(2, k)$ | The type of \mathfrak{G} | k | $N(2, k)$ | | k | $N(2, k)$ | | k | $N(2, k)$ | | k | $N(2, k)$ | | k | $N(2, k)$ | |
|-----|-----------|----------------------------|-----|-----------|-------|-----|-----------|-------|-----|-----------|-------|-----|-----------|--------|-----|-----------|--|
| 0 | 48 | O | 14 | 24 | T | 28 | 24 | D_1 | 42 | 24 | D_1 | 56 | 24 | T | | | |
| 1 | 10 | E_2 | 15 | 12 | D_3 | 29 | 8 | E_3 | 43 | 12 | D_3 | 57 | 10 | E_2 | | | |
| 2 | 16 | D_2 | 16 | 48 | O | 30 | 48 | O | 44 | 16 | D_2 | 58 | 24 | D_1 | | | |
| 3 | 12 | D_3 | 17 | 10 | E_2 | 31 | 12 | D_3 | 45 | 10 | E_2 | 59 | 6 | D_4' | | | |
| 4 | 24 | D_1 | 18 | 24 | D_1 | 32 | 24 | T | 46 | 48 | O | 60 | 24 | D_1 | | | |
| 5 | 10 | E_2 | 19 | 12 | D_3 | 33 | 10 | E_2 | 47 | 10 | E_2 | 61 | 10 | E_2 | | | |
| 6 | 48 | O | 20 | 16 | D_2 | 34 | 24 | D_1 | 48 | 48 | O | 62 | 24 | T | | | |
| 7 | 12 | D_3 | 21 | 10 | E_2 | 35 | 10 | E_2 | 49 | 8 | E_3 | 63 | 12 | D_3 | | | |
| 8 | 24 | T | 22 | 48 | O | 36 | 24 | D_1 | 50 | 16 | D_2 | 64 | 48 | O | | | |
| 9 | 8 | E_3 | 23 | 10 | E_2 | 37 | 10 | E_2 | 51 | 12 | D_3 | 65 | 10 | E_2 | | | |
| 10 | 24 | D_1 | 24 | 48 | O | 38 | 24 | T | 52 | 24 | D_1 | 66 | 24 | D_1 | | | |
| 11 | 10 | E_2 | 25 | 10 | E_2 | 39 | 12 | D_3 | 53 | 10 | E_2 | 67 | 12 | D_3 | | | |
| 12 | 24 | D_1 | 26 | 16 | D_2 | 40 | 48 | O | 54 | 48 | O | 68 | 16 | D_2 | | | |
| 13 | 10 | E_2 | 27 | 12 | D_3 | 41 | 10 | E_2 | 55 | 12 | D_3 | 69 | 8 | E_3 | | | |

| k | $N(2, k)$ | The type of \mathfrak{G} | k | $N(2, k)$ | | k | $N(2, k)$ | | k | $N(2, k)$ | | k | $N(2, k)$ | | k | $N(2, k)$ | |
|-----|-----------|----------------------------------|-----|-----------|----------------|-----|-----------|----------------|-----|-----------|----------------|-----|-----------|------------------|-----|-----------|--|
| 70 | 48 | O | 80 | 24 | T | 90 | 24 | D ₁ | 100 | 24 | D ₁ | 110 | 24 | T | | | |
| 71 | 10 | E ₂ | 81 | 10 | E ₂ | 91 | 12 | D ₃ | 101 | 10 | E ₂ | 111 | 12 | D ₃ | | | |
| 72 | 48 | O | 82 | 24 | D ₁ | 92 | 16 | D ₂ | 102 | 48 | O | 112 | 48 | O | | | |
| 73 | 10 | E ₂ | 83 | 10 | E ₂ | 93 | 10 | E ₂ | 103 | 12 | D ₃ | 113 | 10 | E ₂ | | | |
| 74 | 16 | D ₂ | 84 | 24 | D ₁ | 94 | 48 | O | 104 | 24 | T | 114 | 24 | D ₁ | | | |
| 75 | 12 | D ₃ | 85 | 10 | E ₂ | 95 | 10 | E ₂ | 105 | 10 | E ₂ | 115 | 12 | D ₃ | | | |
| 76 | 24 | D ₁ | 86 | 24 | T | 96 | 48 | O | 106 | 24 | D ₁ | 116 | 16 | D ₂ | | | |
| 77 | 10 | E ₂ | 87 | 12 | D ₃ | 97 | 10 | E ₂ | 107 | 10 | E ₂ | 117 | 10 | E ₂ | | | |
| 78 | 48 | O | 88 | 48 | O | 98 | 16 | D ₂ | 108 | 24 | D ₁ | 118 | 48 | O | | | |
| 79 | 12 | D ₃ | 89 | 8 | E ₃ | 99 | 12 | D ₃ | 109 | 8 | E ₃ | 119 | 6 | D ₄ ' | | | |

O... Octahedral D... Dihedral E... Elliptic cyclic
 T... Tetrahedral D₄'... Single extension of D₄

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