

## Gauss-Manin connection of integral of difference products

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0. Let  $x_1, \dots, x_p$  be real distinct numbers. As a function of  $x_1, \dots, x_p$  the integral

$$(0.1) \quad F(x_1, \dots, x_p) = \int \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (x_i - x_j)^{\lambda_{i,j}} dx_{p+1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_N$$

for  $2 \leq p \leq N$ , over a suitable cycle satisfies an integrable analytic differential system (called Gauss-Manin connection in analytic geometry or holonomic system from micro-local point of view). *In this note we want to give an explicit formula of it.* In the sequel we denote by  $\Phi$  the product  $\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} (x_i - x_j)^{\lambda_{i,j}}$ .

Roughly speaking, our method is as follows. The structure of the integral (0.1) is of fibre type. This enables us to give a recurrent relation for integration over each variable  $x_{p+1}, \dots, x_N$  in the reverse order. Namely we first integrate (0.1) over  $x_N$ . Then we get the function of  $x_1, \dots, x_{N-1}$  satisfying a certain Gauss-Manin connection of classical Jordan-Pochhammer type. Next we do it over  $x_{N-1}$  and get a differential equation of similar nature and so on. Finally  $F(x_1, \dots, x_p)$  satisfies a Gauss-Manin connection which can be computed in inductive way.

We assume from now on that  $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_p$  and that the point  $(x_{p+1}, \dots, x_N)$  lies in  $\mathbf{R}^{N-p}$ . We denote by  $\Delta$  the closure of any of relatively compact components of the open set:  $x_{p+\nu} \neq x_j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq p$  and  $x_{p+\mu} \neq x_{p+\nu}$  for  $\mu \neq \nu$  in  $\mathbf{R}^{N-p}$ . If  $\lambda_{i,j}$  are all positive, the integral over each domain  $\Delta$  has a definite meaning. If some of  $\lambda_{i,j}$  are negative we have to replace  $\Delta$  by its regularized cycle  $\Delta^{\text{reg}}$  (which is called "renormalized" by physicists and which is essentially the same as "finite part of divergent integrals" in the sense of J. Hadamard), such that  $\int_{\Delta^{\text{reg}}}$  is an analytic continuation of the original  $\int_{\Delta}$  considered as function of the variables  $\lambda = (\lambda_{i,j})_{i < j}$  (For the way of construction, see [A2] or [T] pp. 314-318). The regularized cycle  $\Delta^{\text{reg}}$  defines a twisted homological  $(N-p)$ -cycle in the affine algebraic variety  $X = \mathbf{C}^{N-p} - \bigcup (x_i = x_j)$  where  $1 \leq i \leq N$ ,

$p+1 \leq j \leq N$  and  $i < j$ , with coefficients in the dual  $S_\lambda^*$  of the local system  $S_\lambda$  defined by the monodromy group of the function  $\Phi: \Delta^{\text{reg}} \in H_{N-p}(X, S_\lambda^*)$ . The integral defines the canonical pairing between the twisted homology and twisted de Rham cohomology:

$$(0.2) \quad H_{N-p}(X, S_\lambda^*) \times H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega) \longrightarrow \mathbf{C}$$

$$(\Delta, \varphi) \longmapsto \int_\Delta \Phi \varphi$$

where  $\varphi$  denotes a rational differential form on  $\mathbf{C}^{N-p}$  with poles only on  $\bigcup_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq p, \\ p+1 \leq j \leq N}} (x_i = x_j) \cup_{p+1 \leq j < k \leq N} (x_j = x_k)$ . The covariant differentiation  $\nabla_\omega$  is defined by  $\nabla_\omega \varphi = d\varphi + \omega \wedge \varphi$  for the logarithmic form  $\omega = d \log \Phi$ .

We assume the following condition:

- (C.1) i) Take an arbitrary  $r$  such that  $p+1 \leq r \leq N$  and fix it. For any  $h \leq r-1$ , the sum  $\sum_{j=1}^s \lambda_{h, \nu_j} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} \lambda_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}$  is different from 1, 2, 3, ... where  $p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_s$  denotes an arbitrary sequence such that  $r \leq p+\nu_1 < \dots < p+\nu_s \leq N$ .  
 ii) Under the same circumstance as above, the sum,  $-\sum_{h=1}^{r-1} \sum_{j=1}^s \lambda_{h, p+\nu_j} - \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} \lambda_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}$  is different from 1, 2, 3, ...

Then

PROPOSITION 1. *The twisted de Rham cohomology  $H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega)$  is spanned by the logarithmic forms*

$$\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle = d \log(p+1, i_{p+1}) \wedge \dots \wedge d \log(N, i_N)$$

for  $i_{p+1} \leq p, \dots, i_N \leq N-1$ , where we denote by  $(i, j)$  the difference  $x_i - x_j$ .

The number of the above forms is equal to  $p(p+1) \dots (N-1)$ . There are among these forms,  $(N-p)p(p+1) \dots (N-2)$  fundamental relations which will be given in §2. In other words,  $H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega)$  is isomorphic to the quotient of the tensor product  $\mathbf{C}^p \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{C}^N / \sim$ , by identifying each  $\nu$ -th component  $d \log(p+\nu, i_{p+\nu})$  of  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  with an element of  $\mathbf{C}^{p+\nu-1}$ .

THEOREM 1. *In addition to (C.1) we assume the following condition:*

- (C.2) *For each  $j \geq p+1$ , there exists at least one non-zero  $\lambda_{i, j}$ .*

*Then the rank of  $H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega)$  is equal to  $(p-1)p \dots (N-2)$  which will be denoted by  $\mu$ . A basis of  $H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega)$  can be chosen as*

$$d \log(p+1, i_{p+1}) \wedge \dots \wedge d \log(N, i_N) \quad \text{for } \nu-1 \geq i_\nu > 1.$$

Remark that the condition (C.2) is implied by the stronger one:

- (C.2)' Under the same circumstance as (C.1), the sum  $\sum_{j=1}^s \lambda_{h, p+\nu_j} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} \lambda_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}$  is different from 0.

We denote by  $\tilde{\varphi}$  the integral  $\int \tilde{\Phi}\varphi$  for an arbitrary  $(N-p)$ -form  $\varphi$ . As a basis of the twisted homology  $H_{N-p}(X, S_\lambda^*)$ , can be chosen the regularized cycles  $\Delta^{\text{reg}}$  of each relative one  $\Delta$ , the closures of relatively compact connected domains of the real part of  $X$ . It is easily seen that the number of  $\Delta^{\text{reg}}$  is equal to  $(p-1)p \cdots (N-2)$ . (See (1.16), or [A5] and its references.) Then we have the following:

**THEOREM 2.** *The integrals  $\langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_N \rangle$  over each regularized cycle, as functions of  $x_1, \dots, x_p$ , satisfy the following Gauss-Manin connection:*

$$(0.3) \quad d\langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_N \rangle = \sum_{s=1}^{N-p} \sum_{0 < \nu_1 < \dots < \nu_s} d \log(i_{p+\nu_1}, i'_{p+\nu_1}) \lambda_{p+\nu_s, i'_{p+\nu_s}} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \left\{ \begin{matrix} i_{p+\nu_1} \\ i'_{p+\nu_1} \end{matrix} \right\}, \dots, \left\{ \begin{matrix} i_{p+\nu_s} \\ i'_{p+\nu_s} \end{matrix} \right\}, \dots, i_N \rangle + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq p} \lambda_{j, k} d \log(j, k) \langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_N \rangle,$$

where the symbol  $\langle \dots \left\{ \begin{matrix} i \\ i' \end{matrix} \right\}, \dots, \{ \}, \dots \rangle$  is defined inductively by the difference

$$\langle \dots, i, \widetilde{\dots}, \{ \}, \dots \rangle - \langle \dots, i', \widetilde{\dots}, \{ \}, \dots \rangle.$$

The sequence  $p+\nu_1 < p+\nu_2 < \dots < p+\nu_s$  and the indices  $i'_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i'_{p+\nu_s}$  are determined as follows: First take an arbitrary pair  $(\alpha, \beta)$  such that  $\alpha \neq \beta \leq p$ . Let  $p+\nu_1$  be the smallest number such that  $i_{p+\nu_1}$  is equal to  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ . Then we put  $\alpha = i_{p+\nu_1}$  and  $\beta = i'_{p+\nu_1}$ . Next let  $p+\nu_2 > p+\nu_1$  be the smallest number such that  $i_{p+\nu_2} \in (\alpha, \beta, p+\nu_1) - \{i_{p+\nu_1}\}$ . Then we take as  $i'_{p+\nu_2}$  the unique index from the set  $\{\alpha, \beta, p+\nu_1\} - \{i_{p+\nu_1}, i_{p+\nu_2}\}$  and so on. Namely we take out  $p+\nu_1, p+\nu_2, \dots$  and  $i'_{p+\nu_1}, i'_{p+\nu_2}, \dots$  by the following procedure:

$$(0.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \{\alpha, \beta, p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_{t-1}\} - \{i_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_{t-1}}\} &\ni i_{p+\nu_t} \\ \{\alpha, \beta, p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_{t-1}\} - \{i_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_t}\} &\ni i'_{p+\nu_t}. \end{aligned}$$

We finish this process if there does not exist an  $i_{p+\nu}$ ,  $\nu > \nu_s$  such that  $i_{p+\nu} \in (\alpha, \beta, p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_s)$ .  $i_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_s}$  (or more precisely  $i_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_s}, i'_{p+\nu_s}$ ) are all different from each other. The sequence  $p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_s$  makes a  $(p+\nu_1)$ -segment in a cluster attached to the sequence  $(i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N)$ . (The definition of "cluster" will be given in § 2.)

The indices  $i_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_s}, i'_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i'_{p+\nu_s}$  are also determined by the following rule: For arbitrary  $\mu = \nu_s$ ,  $\mu \geq 1$  and  $\gamma < p+\mu$  different from  $i_{p+\nu_s}$ , first we choose  $i'_{p+\nu_s}$  as  $\gamma$ . Then define successively  $p+\nu_t, i_{p+\nu_t}, i'_{p+\nu_t}$  in decreasing order for  $t = s, s-1, \dots$  as follows:

$$(0.4)' \quad \begin{aligned} \max(i_{p+\nu_t}, i'_{p+\nu_t}) &= p+\nu_{t-1} \\ \min(i_{p+\nu_t}, i'_{p+\nu_t}) &= i'_{p+\nu_{t-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally we arrive at the pair  $(i_{p+\nu_1}, i'_{p+\nu_1})$  such that  $i_{p+\nu_1}, i'_{p+\nu_1} \leq p$ .

REMARK. We see that  $F(x_1, \dots, x_p)$  of (0.1) coincides with  $\langle 1, \dots, 1 \rangle$  if  $\lambda_{1,p+1}, \dots, \lambda_{1,N}$  are replaced by  $\lambda_{1,p+1}+1, \dots, \lambda_{1,N}+1$  respectively. Hence  $F$  together with the other  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  satisfy the Gauss-Manin connection (0.3).

We now restrict ourselves to the symmetric case of the integral (0.1). Namely we assume the following condition:

$$(C.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \lambda_{i,j} &= 0 \text{ for } i, j \leq p, & \lambda_{i,j} &= \lambda'_i \text{ for } i \leq p, j \geq p+1 \\ \text{and } \lambda_{i,j} &= \lambda \text{ for } i, j \geq p+1. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\Phi$  is invariant under the action of the symmetric group of  $(N-p)$ -degree  $\Gamma = \mathfrak{S}_{N-p}$ , provided the branch of  $\Phi$  at each point of  $X$  is suitably chosen:  $\sigma^*\Phi = \Phi$ .

Integrands  $\Phi_\varphi$  and domains of integration  $\Delta$  and therefore the cohomology  $H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega)$  and the homology  $H_{N-p}(X, S_\lambda^*)$  also admit of the action of  $\Gamma$ . If a domain of integration  $G$  is invariant in homological sense, then (0.1) is invariant under the action of  $\Gamma$ . We have then

$$(0.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_G \Phi \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle &= \int_G \Phi \sigma^* \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{(N-p)!} \sum_{\sigma \in \Gamma} \int_G \Phi \sigma^* \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sigma^* \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  denotes the transformed  $(N-p)$ -form  $\langle i_{\sigma(p+1)}, \dots, i_{\sigma(N)} \rangle$  by  $\sigma$ . This fact makes the structure of the Gauss-Manin system of (0.1) much simpler.

PROPOSITION 2. *The invariant part  $[H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega)]^\Gamma$  is spanned by the symmetrized logarithmic forms*

$$\frac{1}{(N-p)!} \sum_{\sigma \in \Gamma} \sigma^* \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle \quad \text{for all } i_{p+\nu} \leq p.$$

Let  $\nu_j, 1 \leq j \leq p$  be the number of arguments  $i_t$  such that  $i_t = j$ . Then a symmetrized logarithmic form corresponds one-to-one to the sequence  $\nu_1, \dots, \nu_p$  such that  $\sum_{j=1}^p \nu_j = N-p$ . If we denote it by  $\langle 1^{\nu_1}, 2^{\nu_2}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle$ , the integral  $\langle 1^{\nu_1}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle$  is equal to  $\langle \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{\nu_1}, \underbrace{2, \dots, 2}_{\nu_2}, \dots, \underbrace{p, \dots, p}_{\nu_p} \rangle$ . The fundamental relations among these are then simplified as follows:

$$(0.6) \quad \sum_{j=1}^p \left( \frac{\lambda}{2} \nu_j + \lambda'_j \right) \langle 1^{\nu_1}, \dots, \widetilde{j^{\nu_{j+1}}}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle = 0.$$

Hence we have

COROLLARY. If  $(\lambda/2)(N-p) + \lambda'_1 \neq 0$ , then  $[H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega)]^\Gamma$  is spanned by  $(p-1)p \cdots (N-2)/(N-p)!$  linearly independent forms  $\langle 2^{\nu_2}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle$  for  $\nu_2 + \dots + \nu_p = |\nu| = N-p$ .

THEOREM 3. The integrals  $\langle 2^{\nu_2}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle$ , as functions of  $x_1, \dots, x_p$ , have the fundamental relations (0.6) and satisfy the Gauss-Manin system

$$(0.7) \quad d \langle 1^{\nu_1}, \widetilde{\dots}, p^{\nu_p} \rangle = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq p} d \log(i, j) \left[ \lambda \nu_i \nu_j \langle 1^{\nu_1}, \widetilde{\dots}, p^{\nu_p} \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle 1^{\nu_1}, \dots, i^{\nu_{i-1}}, \widetilde{\dots}, j^{\nu_{j+1}}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle 1^{\nu_1}, \dots, i^{\nu_{i+1}}, \widetilde{\dots}, j^{\nu_{j-1}}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle + \lambda'_i \nu_j \langle 1^{\nu_1}, 2^{\nu_2}, \widetilde{\dots}, p^{\nu_p} \rangle - \langle 1^{\nu_1}, \dots, i^{\nu_{i+1}}, \widetilde{\dots}, j^{\nu_{j-1}}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle + \lambda'_j \nu_i \langle 1^{\nu_1}, 2^{\nu_2}, \widetilde{\dots}, p^{\nu_p} \rangle - \langle 1^{\nu_1}, \dots, i^{\nu_{i-1}}, \widetilde{\dots}, j^{\nu_{j+1}}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle \right].$$

More generally we denote by  $\langle 1^{\nu_1}, \widetilde{\dots}, p^{\nu_p} \rangle$  for  $\nu = \nu_1 + \dots + \nu_p \leq N-p$ , the integral

$$(0.8) \quad \int_G \Phi \frac{dx_{p+1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx_N}{\prod_{1 \leq j \leq \nu_1} (p+j, 1) \prod_{1 \leq j \leq \nu_2} (p+\nu_1+j, 2) \cdots \prod_{1 \leq j \leq \nu_p} (p+\nu_1+\dots+\nu_{p-1}+j, p)}.$$

Then we have the recurrence formula:

PROPOSITION 3. For  $\nu_1 \geq 1$ ,

$$(0.9) \quad 0 = \left[ 1 + \lambda'_1 + \dots + \lambda'_p + \frac{\lambda}{2} (N-p-|\nu|) + \lambda (|\nu|-1) \right] \langle 1^{\nu_1-1}, \widetilde{2^{\nu_2}}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle + \sum_{j=2}^p (j, 1) \left( \lambda'_j + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \nu_j \right) \langle 1^{\nu_1-1}, \dots, \widetilde{j^{\nu_{j+1}}}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle.$$

Successive applications of this proposition give us

THEOREM 4. For  $\nu_1 = 0, |\nu| \leq N-p$ ,

$$(0.10) \quad \langle 2^{\nu_2}, \widetilde{\dots}, p^{\nu_p} \rangle (-1)^{N-p-|\nu|-1} \prod_{t=1}^{N-p-|\nu|} \left\{ 1 + \lambda'_1 + \dots + \lambda'_p + \frac{\lambda}{2} t + \lambda (N-p-t-1) \right\} = \sum_{N-p-|\nu|=\rho_2+\dots+\rho_p} \frac{(N-p-|\nu|)!}{\rho_2! \cdots \rho_p!} (2, 1)^{\rho_2} \cdots (p, 1)^{\rho_p} \times \prod_{j=2}^p \prod_{t=0}^{\rho_j-2} \left[ \lambda'_j + \frac{1}{2} \lambda (\nu_j + t) \right] \langle 2^{\nu_2+\rho_2}, \widetilde{\dots}, p^{\nu_p+\rho_p} \rangle.$$

In particular

$$\begin{aligned}
 (0.11) \quad & \int_G \Phi dx_{p+1} \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_N (-1)^{N-p-1} \prod_{i=1}^{N-p} \left\{ 1 + \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda'_j + \lambda \left( N - p - \frac{t}{2} - 1 \right) \right\} \\
 & = \sum_{N-p=\rho_2+\cdots+\rho_p} \frac{(N-p)!}{\rho_2! \cdots \rho_p!} \prod_{j=2}^p \prod_{t=0}^{\rho_j-1} \left[ \lambda'_j + \frac{1}{2} \lambda (\nu_j + t) \right] \\
 & \quad \times \langle (2, 1)^{\rho_2} \cdots (p, 1)^{\rho_p} \langle 2^{\rho_2}, \dots, p^{\rho_p} \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

By using this formula, we can derive explicitly the maximally overdetermined linear difference system with respect to the variables  $\lambda'_1, \dots, \lambda'_p$  for (0.1).

Proofs of Theorems 2~4 will be given in § 3.

REMARK. When  $p=2$ , the integral (0.11) is expressed by

$$(0.12) \quad \int_G \prod_{j=3}^N (x_j - x_1)^{\lambda_1} (x_j - x_2)^{\lambda_2} \prod_{3 \leq i < j \leq N} (x_i - x_j)^\lambda dx_3 \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_N.$$

This is a constant multiple of  $(x_2 - x_1)^M$  for  $M = (\lambda'_1 + \lambda'_2 + 1)(N - 2) + (N - 2)(N - 3)\lambda/2$ . This constant is given by the celebrated formula due to A. Selberg (see [A6] and [S].)

When  $\lambda=2$ , the integral (0.11) is intimately related to orthogonal polynomials with the density  $\prod_{j=1}^p (x - x_j)^{\lambda'_j} dx$ . Professor M. Jimbo at R.I.M.S. has informed me that it satisfies a 2nd order non-linear differential equation of Painlevé (see [J] and [O]). It seems to be interesting to ask if it still satisfies a finite-order non-linear differential equation of similar type for general  $\lambda$ . It also seems to be interesting to study (0.1) further in case where  $\lambda_{i,j}$  have special values, especially rational numbers, in view of recent results by A. Tsuchiya and Y. Kanie about Fock representation of the Virasoro algebra (see [T]).

Finally a few questions are posed about the integral (0.1):

(Q1) To evaluate the Wronskian of (0.1). Namely let the basis  $\{\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_\mu\}$  of  $H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega)$  be as in Theorem 1 and  $\{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_\mu\}$  be a basis of  $H_{N-p}(X, \mathcal{S}_t^*)$ , for example, as in (1.16). Then the Wronskian of (0.1) is simply defined by the determinant of  $\left( \left( \int_{\gamma_k} \Phi \varphi_j \right) \right)_{1 \leq j, k \leq \mu}$ . It is obvious that this value coincides with the Wronskian of the differential system (0.3) apart from a  $\Gamma$ -factor depending only on  $\lambda_{i,j}$  ( $1 \leq i < j \leq N$ ).

(Q2) Under the condition (C.3) we have only considered the fixed part of the  $\Gamma$ -action. The question is generally to decompose (0.3) into irreducible parts as  $\Gamma$ -modules.

**1. Recurrent system of ordinary differential equations of Fuchsian type.**

DEFINITION. Let  $\{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N\}$  be a sequence of  $(N-p)$  arguments such that  $i_{\nu} \leq \nu - 1$ . We shall call such a sequence and the corresponding form  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  defined in Proposition 1 "admissible" in the sequel. We say that for  $\alpha, \beta$  such that  $p+1 \leq \alpha < \beta$ , " $\beta$  precedes  $\alpha$ " and write  $\alpha < \beta$  if there exists a sequence  $p+\nu_1 < \dots < p+\nu_s$  such that  $\alpha = p+\nu_1, \beta = p+\nu_s$  and  $i_{p+\nu_t} = p+\nu_{t-1}$  for  $2 \leq t \leq s$ , and  $2 \leq s \leq N-p$ . Further for an arbitrary  $\alpha$  such that  $p+1 \leq \alpha \leq N$ , we denote by  $K_\alpha$  and call " $\alpha$ -cluster" (similar terminology like the one used in statistical mechanics) the set of all  $\beta \in \{p+1, \dots, N\}$  preceding  $\alpha$  or equal to  $\alpha$ :  $K_\alpha = \{\beta; \alpha \leq \beta\}$ . We denote by  $|K_\alpha|$  the number of elements in  $K_\alpha$ . If  $i_\alpha \leq p$ , then we call the  $\alpha$ -cluster  $K_\alpha$  "maximal".

The following lemma is an immediate consequence of Definition.

LEMMA 1.1. For each admissible sequence  $\{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N\}$ , the set of arguments  $\{p+1, \dots, N\}$  is divided into several maximal clusters. This correspondence is bijective.

Each cluster  $K$  defines a directed tree. For arbitrary  $\alpha, \beta \in K$  such that  $\alpha < \beta$  there exists the unique maximal sequence  $p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_s$  satisfying the following two properties: 1)  $\alpha = p+\nu_1, \beta = p+\nu_s$  and 2)  $p+\nu_t$  precedes  $p+\nu_{t-1}$  for  $1 < t \leq s$ . In such a case this sequence is called "segment in  $K$ ": In particular if there exists no element preceding  $\beta$ , this segment is called " $\alpha$ -segment".

LEMMA 1.2. For  $(N-p-1)$  fixed arguments  $i_{p+1}, \dots, i_{r-1}, i_{r+1}, \dots, i_N$  for  $i_\nu \leq \nu - 1$  and  $p+1 \leq r \leq N$ , we have the cohomological identity

$$(1.1) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} \lambda_{r,j} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_{r-1}, j, i_{r+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle + \sum_{s=1}^{N-r} \sum_{r-p < \nu_1 < \dots < \nu_s} \lambda_{p+\nu_s, i'_{p+\nu_s}} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_{r-1}, i'_r, \dots, \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} i_{\nu_1+p} \\ i'_{\nu_1+p} \end{smallmatrix} \right\}, \dots, \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} i_{\nu_s+p} \\ i'_{\nu_s+p} \end{smallmatrix} \right\}, \dots, i_N \rangle \sim 0$$

where  $\nu_1, \dots, \nu_s$  run over all the sequences satisfying the following properties: For an arbitrary number  $j = i'_r \leq r-1$ , we choose inductively  $p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_s, i'_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i'_{p+\nu_s}$  in such a way that

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{aligned} i_{p+\nu_1} &\in \{r, j\} \\ i'_{p+\nu_1} &\in \{r, j\} - \{i_{p+\nu_1}\} \\ &\dots\dots\dots \\ i_{p+\nu_t} &\in \{j, r, p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_{t-1}\} - \{i_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_{t-1}}\} \\ i'_{p+\nu_t} &\in \{j, r, p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_{t-1}\} - \{i_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_t}\} \end{aligned}$$

for  $t \leq s$ , until there is no more  $i_{p+\nu}, \nu > \nu_s$  such that  $i_{p+\nu} \in \{j, r, p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_s\}$ .

PROOF. By Stokes formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1.3) \quad 0 &\sim \nabla_\omega [(-1)^{r-p-1} d\log(p+1, i_{p+1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge d\log(r-1, i_{r-1}) \\
 &\quad \wedge d\log(r+1, i_{r+1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge d\log(N, i_N)] \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{s=1 \\ s \neq r}}^N \lambda_{r,s} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_{r-1}, s, i_{r+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{s < r} + \sum_{s > r}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Each form in the second member of the right hand side is not admissible, but can be written as a linear representation of admissible ones. In fact if we multiply by  $1/(r, s)$  for  $r < s$  the admissible fraction

$$\frac{1}{(r+1, i_{r+1}) \cdots (s, i_s)} \quad \text{namely for } r+1 \geq i_{r+1}, \dots, s \geq i_s,$$

then by partial fraction

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1.4) \quad &\frac{1}{(r, s)(r+1, i_{r+1}) \cdots (s, i_s)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(r, i_s)} \left\{ \frac{1}{(r+1, i_{r+1}) \cdots (s, i_s)} - \frac{1}{(r+1, i_{r+1}) \cdots (s-1, i_{s-1})(s, r)} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Both sequences  $\{i_{r+1}, \dots, i_s\}$  and  $\{i_{r+1}, \dots, i_{s-1}, r\}$  are admissible. Being  $(r, s)$  replaced by  $(r, i_s)$  and by induction hypothesis in  $s$ , each member can be written as a linear combination of admissible fractions. We repeat this until the sequence  $s \rightarrow i_s \rightarrow \dots$  arrives at an argument smaller than or equal to  $r$ . This procedure is nothing else than the one explained in (1.2). Lemma 1.2 is thus proved.

COROLLARY. If  $\lambda_{p+1,1} \cdots \lambda_{N,1} \neq 0$ , then the differential form  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  for some  $i_v=1$  can be described as a linear combination of the ones for  $i_v > 1$ . This number is just equal to  $(p-1)p \cdots (N-2)$ , so that we can choose as a basis of  $H^{N-p}(X, \nabla_\omega)$  the forms  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  for  $i_v > 1$ .

It has been stated in [A1] and [A5] that for an admissible sequence  $I = \{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N\}$  the integral  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  satisfies the logarithmic Gauss-Manin connection

$$(1.5) \quad d\langle \tilde{I} \rangle = \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq p} \sum_{J \text{ admissible}} d\log(x_j - x_k) U_{j,k}^{(p)} \binom{J}{I} \langle \tilde{J} \rangle$$

where each constant matrix  $U_{j,k}^{(p)} = U_{k,j}^{(p)}$  represents a linear endomorphism in  $C^p \otimes \cdots \otimes C^{N-1}$ . The proof is straightforward by induction in  $N-p$  by using the generalized Pochhammer differential equation given in [A1]. So we omit it. The formula (1.5) is also a degenerate case of the one (A, 5) proved in [A4].



Furthermore we put  $U_{j,k}^{(N)}$  to be  $\lambda_{j,k}$ . The matrices  $U_{j,k}^{(p)}$  are determined by recursive formulae in the following manner. We fix  $p$  and similarly define  $U_{j,k}^{(r)}$  for  $p \leq r \leq N$ . Then

LEMMA 1.3. *Each  $U_{j,k}^{(r)}$  is described as the matrix  $((u_{l,m}))_{1 \leq l, m \leq r}$  where  $u_{l,m}$  represents a linear endomorphism in  $\mathbf{C}^{r+1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{C}^{N-1}$ . Each matrix  $u_{l,m}$  is equal to*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1.6) \quad u_{l,l} &= U_{j,k}^{(r+1)} && \text{if } l \neq j, k \\
 u_{j,j} &= U_{j,k}^{(r+1)} + U_{k,r+1}^{(r+1)} \\
 u_{j,k} &= -U_{j,r+1}^{(r+1)} \\
 u_{k,j} &= -U_{k,r+1}^{(r+1)} \\
 u_{k,k} &= U_{j,k}^{(r+1)} + U_{j,r+1}^{(r+1)} \\
 u_{l,m} &= 0 && \text{otherwise.}
 \end{aligned}$$

It is important to remark that this formula corresponds to the infinitesimal version of the pure braid transformation around the locus  $x_j = x_k$ .  $U_{j,k}^{(r)}$  satisfy the well-known relation of Lie bracket defining holonomy Lie algebra which is also called "classical Yang-Baxter relation":

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1.7) \quad [U_{i,k}^{(r)} + U_{j,k}^{(r)}, U_{i,j}^{(r)}] &= 0 \\
 [U_{i,j}^{(r)}, U_{k,l}^{(r)}] &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

for 4 different indices  $i, j, k, l \leq p$  (see [A1] or [K1]).

We sketch the way of proof of Lemma 1.3 which has been developed in [A1]. The following is elementary.

LEMMA 1.4. *Let  $U_1, \dots, U_m$  be matrices in  $\mathfrak{gl}_n(\mathbf{C})$ . Let the Fuchsian differential equation of order  $n$*

$$(1.8) \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \sum_{i=1}^m y \frac{U_i}{(x-a_i)}$$

on  $\mathbf{P}^1$  with regular singularities  $x = a_1, \dots, a_m, \infty$  be given. We denote by  $Y$  and  $\omega$  the fundamental solutions of matrices and  $Y^{-1}dY$  respectively. We put  $U_0 = -\sum_{i=1}^m U_i$ . Assume the following:

$$(C.4) \quad \text{Each } U_i, i=0, 1, \dots, m, \text{ has no eigenvalues } 1, 2, 3, \dots.$$

Then the cohomology  $H^1(\mathbf{C} - \{a_1, \dots, a_m\}, \nabla_\omega)$  is spanned by  $\mathbf{C}^n$ -valued logarithmic forms  $d \log(x - a_j) \otimes e_\mu, 1 \leq \mu \leq n$ , where  $\{e_\mu\}$  denotes a basis of  $\mathbf{C}^n$ . The fundamental relation is given by

$$(1.9) \quad \sum_{j=1}^m d \log(x - a_j) \otimes e_\mu U_j \sim 0.$$

Hence we have the isomorphism

$$(1.10) \quad H^1(\mathbf{C} - \{a_1, \dots, a_m\}, \nabla_\omega) = \mathbf{C}^{nm} / (U_1, \dots, U_m) \cdot \mathbf{C}^n.$$

PROOF. See [A1] and [A5].

COROLLARY. If

$$(C.5) \quad \bigcap_{i=1}^m \text{Ker } U_i = (0)$$

then

$$\text{rank } H^1(\mathbf{C} - \{a, \dots, a\}, \nabla_\omega) = (n-1)m.$$

Let  $\rho$  be the monodromic representation of  $\pi_1(\mathbf{C} - \{a_1, \dots, a_m\}, b)$  with a base point  $b$  given by  $Y$ . Any twisted cycle  $\gamma$  for the integral  $\int_r Y \varphi$  is represented by a linear combination of  $m$  loops  $L_1, \dots, L_m$  with the base point  $b$  encircling  $a_j$  respectively:  $\gamma = \sum_{j=1}^m v_j \otimes L_j$  for  $v_j \in \mathbf{C}^n$ , such that

$$(1.11) \quad \sum_{j=1}^m v_j \otimes (\rho(L_j) - 1) = 0.$$

If all the eigenvalues of  $U_j$ ,  $j=1, 2, \dots, m$  are greater than  $-1$ ,  $\gamma$  can also be chosen in the form  $\sum_{j=1}^{m-1} v'_j \otimes \overline{a_j a_{j+1}}$  using the segments  $\overline{a_j a_{j+1}}$  connecting  $a_j$  and  $a_{j+1}$ , such that

$$(1.12) \quad v_j = (v'_{j-1} - v'_j)(1 - \rho(L_j))^{-1}.$$

A similar approach has been used in [D] for the uniformization problem associated to Pochhammer integrals.

We now consider the sequence of integrals  $\{F_r\}$  for  $p \leq r < N$ :

$$(1.13) \quad F_r = \int \Phi \frac{dx_{r+1} \cdots dx_N}{(r+1, i_{r+1}) \cdots (N, i_N)}$$

and  $F_N = \Phi$ . The  $F_r$  satisfies as a function of  $x_r$  the ordinary differential equation of Fuchsian type of order  $r \cdots (N-1)$ :

$$(1.14) \quad \frac{dy}{dx_r} = \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} y \frac{U_{r,j}^{(r)}}{x_r - x_j}.$$

These are related to one another by the recurrence formulae:

$$(1.15) \quad F_r = \int F_{r+1} \frac{dx_{r+1}}{(r+1, i_{r+1})}$$

for some  $i_{r+1} \leq r$ . If all  $\lambda_{j,k} > 0$ , then successive applications of Lemma 1.3 over each variable  $x_N, \dots, x_{r+1}$  enable us to construct the cycles  $\Delta(j_{r+1}, \dots, j_N)$ :

$$(1.16) \quad \begin{aligned} x_{j_{r+1}-1} &\leq x_{r+1} \leq x_{j_{r+1}} \\ \dots\dots\dots \\ x_{j_N-1} &\leq x_N \leq x_{j_N} \end{aligned}$$

for  $j_{r+1} \leq r, \dots, j_N \leq N-1$ .

LEMMA 1.5. *If  $F_{r+1}$  satisfies the differential equation of (1.14),  $p$  being replaced by  $r+1$ , then  $F_r$  satisfies the same one,  $p$  being replaced by  $r$ .*

PROOF. This is proved by partial fractions, using the rule of exchange of derivation and integration

$$(1.17) \quad \int \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left( F_{r+1} \frac{dx_{r+1}}{(r+1, j)} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \int F_{r+1} \frac{dx_{r+1}}{(r+1, j)}$$

for  $k \leq r$  and  $j \geq r+1$ .

Now Lemma 1.3 immediately follows from Proposition 3 in [A1] using Lemmas 1.4 and 1.5.

LEMMA 1.6. *Let  $l \in \mathbf{Z}^+ = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  be given. Take an  $h$  such that  $1 \leq h \leq p$ . Suppose for arbitrary  $\nu_1, \dots, \nu_s, 1 \leq s \leq N-p$ , such that  $1 \leq \nu_1 < \dots < \nu_s \leq N-p$ ,*

$$(1.18) \quad \sum_{j=1}^s \lambda_{h, \nu_j} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} \lambda_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k} \neq l$$

*hold. Then for an arbitrary  $r$  such that  $p+1 \leq r \leq N$ , none of the matrices of order  $r(r+1) \dots (N-1)$ :*

$$(1.19) \quad \sum_{j=1}^s U_{h, p+\nu_j}^{(r)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} U_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}^{(r)}$$

*have the eigenvalue  $l$ , for an arbitrary sequence  $p+1 \leq \nu_1 < \dots < \nu_s \leq r$ .*

PROOF. We prove this by induction in decreasing  $r$  from  $N$ . For  $r=N$  it is trivial by assumption. Assume that it holds for  $r+1$ . Let  $w = {}^t(w_1, \dots, w_r) \in \mathbf{C}^r \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{C}^{N-1}$  for  $w_j \in \mathbf{C}^{r+1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{C}^{N-1}$  be an eigenvector:

$$(1.20) \quad \left( \sum_{j=1}^s U_{h, p+\nu_j}^{(r)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} U_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}^{(r)} \right) w = lw.$$

Then comparing the  $g$ -th component of both sides for  $1 \leq g \leq p$ , we have

$$(1.21) \quad \left( \sum_{j=1}^s U_{h, p+\nu_j}^{(r+1)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} U_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}^{(r+1)} \right) w_g = l w_g \quad \text{for } h \neq g,$$

and similarly

$$(1.22) \quad \sum_{j=1}^s \{ (U_{h, p+\nu_j}^{(r+1)} + U_{p+\nu_j, r+1}^{(r+1)}) w_h - U_{h, r+1}^{(r+1)} w_{p+\nu_j} \} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} U_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}^{(r+1)} w_h = l w_h,$$

$$(1.23) \quad \left( \sum_{j=1}^s U_{h, p+\nu_j}^{(r+1)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} U_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}^{(r+1)} \right) w_{p+\mu} = l w_{p+\mu} \quad \text{for } \mu \neq \nu_1, \dots, \nu_s.$$

$$(1.24) \quad \left( \sum_{j=1}^s U_{h, p+\nu_j}^{(r+1)} + U_{h, r+1}^{(r+1)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} U_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}^{(r+1)} + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq f}}^s U_{p+\nu_j, r+1}^{(r+1)} \right) w_{p+\nu_f} \\ - U_{p+\nu_f, r+1}^{(r+1)} w_h - \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq f}}^s U_{p+\nu_k, r+1}^{(r+1)} w_{p+\nu_j} = l w_{p+\nu_f}$$

for  $1 \leq f \leq s$ . By induction hypothesis, (1.21) and (1.23) imply that  $w_g = w_{p+\mu} = 0$  for  $g \neq h$  and  $\mu \neq \nu_1, \dots, \nu_s$ . On the other hand, summing up (1.22) and (1.24) we have

$$(1.25) \quad \left( \sum_{j=1}^s U_{h, p+\nu_j}^{(r+1)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} U_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}^{(r+1)} \right) \left( w_h + \sum_{j=1}^s w_{p+\nu_j} \right) = l \left( w_h + \sum_{j=1}^s w_{p+\nu_j} \right).$$

By induction hypothesis this means

$$(1.26) \quad w_h + \sum_{j=1}^s w_{p+\nu_j} = 0.$$

Substituting this  $w_h$  into (1.24) we have

$$(1.27) \quad \left( \sum_{j=1}^{s+1} U_{h, p+\nu_j}^{(r+1)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s+1} U_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}^{(r+1)} \right) w_{p+\nu_f} = l w_{p+\nu_f}$$

if we put  $\nu_{s+1} = r+1$ . Again by induction hypothesis we conclude that  $w_{p+\nu_f} = 0$ , whence  $w_h = 0$ . Lemma has thus been proved. In the same way as above one can prove

LEMMA 1.7. *Let  $l \in \mathbf{Z}^+$  be arbitrarily given. Suppose for an arbitrary sequence  $p+1 \leq \nu_1 < \dots < \nu_s \leq N-p$*

$$(1.28) \quad - \sum_{h=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^s \lambda_{h, p+\nu_j} - \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} \lambda_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}$$

are all different from  $l$ . Then none of the matrices

$$(1.29) \quad - \sum_{h=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^s U_{h, p+\nu_j}^{(r)} - \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq s} U_{p+\nu_j, p+\nu_k}^{(r)}$$

for  $p+1 \leq r \leq N$  have the eigenvalue  $l$ , where  $\nu_1, \dots, \nu_s$  denotes an arbitrary sequence such that  $p+1 \leq \nu_1 < \dots < \nu_s \leq r$ .

COROLLARY. If (C.1) (and (C.2)') holds, then for each  $j \leq p$ ,  $p+1 \leq r \leq N$ , none of the matrices (1.19) and (1.29) have the eigenvalues  $1, 2, 3, \dots$  ( $0, 1, 2, \dots$  respectively).

LEMMA 1.8.

$$\bigcap_{j=1}^{r-1} \text{Ker } U_{j,r}^{(r)} = (0).$$

PROOF. This follows from Corollary of Lemma 1.7. In fact there we have only to put  $s=1$  and  $\nu_1=r$ .

We take and fix  $r$  for  $p+1 \leq r \leq N$ . Lemmas 1.6-1.8 imply, in particular, that  $U_{j,r}^{(r)}$  for  $1 \leq j \leq r-1$  and  $-\sum_{j=1}^{r-1} U_{j,r}^{(r)}$  satisfy (C.4) and (C.5) respectively. This fact therefore makes us possible to apply successively Lemma 1.4 for the corresponding differential equations (1.8), starting from  $r=N$  to  $r=p+1$ . This will be done in the final section.

**2. Symmetric case.**

We specialize  $\lambda=(\lambda_{i,j})$  as in (C.3). In this section we assume that all the domains of integration  $G$  are invariant under the action of  $\Gamma$ . As an immediate consequence of it, we have

LEMMA 2.1. If for some  $\sigma \in \Gamma$ , the equality holds:

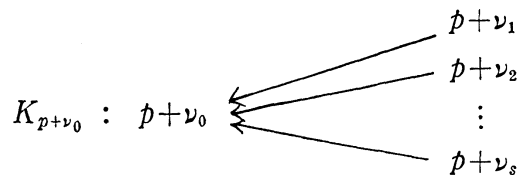
$$(2.1) \quad \langle i_{\sigma(p+1)}, \dots, i_{\sigma(N)} \rangle = -\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$$

then  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle = 0$ .

LEMMA 2.2. The integral  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  for some  $i_{p+\nu} \geq p+1$  is a linear combination of the ones such that all  $i_{p+\nu} \leq p$ .

This lemma follows from Lemma 2.5. To prove Lemma 2.5 we begin by proving

LEMMA 2.3. Let a sequence  $p+\nu_1 < p+\nu_2 < \dots < p+\nu_s$  be the  $(p+\nu_0)$ -cluster of the sequence  $\{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N\}$



such that  $i_{p+\nu_t} = p + \nu_0$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq s$ . Then

$$(2.2) \quad \langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_N \rangle = \frac{1}{s+1} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_0}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_{p+\nu_0}, \dots, i_N \rangle$$

where in the right hand side each  $i_{p+\nu_t}$  is replaced by  $i_{p+\nu_0}$  for  $1 \leq t \leq s$ .

PROOF. During the proof of this lemma, not losing any generality, we may suppose that  $\nu_t = p + t + 1$  and  $p + s = N$ . Then  $\langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_N \rangle$  is simply equal to  $\langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{p+1, \dots, p+1} \rangle$  for  $i_{p+1} \leq p$ . We prove (2.2) by induction in  $s$ . For  $s=0$  we have nothing to prove. We assume that it holds true for  $s-1$ . Then by partial fraction and argument of symmetry with respect to transposition  $p+1$  and  $p+2$ , we have

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & \langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{p+1, \dots, p+1} \rangle \\ &= \langle i_{p+1}, i_{p+1}, \widetilde{p+1, \dots, p+1} \rangle - \langle i_{p+1}, p+1, \widetilde{p+2, \dots, p+2} \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

By induction hypothesis, the right hand side is equal to

$$(2.4) \quad \frac{1}{s} (\langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_{p+1} \rangle - \langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{p+1, \dots, p+1} \rangle).$$

By solving this equation for  $\langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{p+1, \dots, p+1} \rangle$  we have (2.3).

In the same way we can prove

LEMMA 2.4. Let a sequence  $p + \nu_0 < p + \nu_1 < \dots < p + \nu_s$  be the  $(p + \nu_1)$ -cluster of  $\{i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N\}$  such that  $i_{p+\nu_t} = p + \nu_{t-1}$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq s$ .

$$(2.5) \quad K_{p+\nu_0} : p + \nu_0 \longleftarrow p + \nu_1 \longleftarrow \dots \longleftarrow p + \nu_s.$$

Then

$$(2.6) \quad \langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_N \rangle = \frac{1}{(s+1)!} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_0}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_{p+\nu_0}, \dots \rangle$$

where in the right hand side all  $i_{p+\nu_t}$  are replaced by  $i_{p+\nu_0}$ .

Successive applications of these two lemmas show

LEMMA 2.5. Let a sequence  $p + \nu_0 < \dots < p + \nu_s$  be a general  $(p + \nu_0)$ -cluster  $K_{p+\nu_0}$ . Then

$$(2.7) \quad \langle i_{p+1}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_N \rangle = \frac{1}{|K_{p+\nu_t}|} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_0}, \widetilde{\dots}, i_{p+\nu_0}, \dots, i_N \rangle$$

where in the right hand side each argument  $i_{p+\nu_t}$  in  $K_{p+\nu_t}$  is replaced by  $i_{p+\nu_0}$ .

**3. Proof of the theorems.**

We begin by the

PROOF OF THEOREM 2. By applying the formulae (1.5) and (1.6) for  $r=p, p+1, \dots$  we can compute the differential equations satisfied by  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  in successive manner. We denote by  $U_{i,j}^{(r)} \begin{pmatrix} j_{r+1}, \dots, j_N \\ i_{r+1}, \dots, i_N \end{pmatrix}$  for  $1 \leq i, j \leq r-1$  the matrix elements of the endomorphism  $U_{i,j}^{(r)}$  on  $C^r \otimes \dots \otimes C^N$  with respect to the basis  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$ . The total variation with respect to the variables  $x_1, \dots, x_p$  can then be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.1) \quad & d \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k < h \leq p \\ k, h \neq i_{p+1}}} d \log(k, h) U_{k,h}^{(p+1)} \begin{pmatrix} j_{p+2}, \dots, j_N \\ i_{p+2}, \dots, i_N \end{pmatrix} \cdot \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, j_N \rangle \\
 &+ \sum_{\substack{h=1 \\ h \neq i_{p+1}}}^p d \log(i_{p+1}, h) U_{h,p+1}^{(p+1)} \begin{pmatrix} j_{p+2}, \dots, j_N \\ i_{p+2}, \dots, i_N \end{pmatrix} \cdot \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, j_N \rangle \\
 &- \sum_{\substack{h=1 \\ h \neq i_{p+1}}}^p d \log(i_{p+1}, h) U_{h,p+1}^{(p+1)} \begin{pmatrix} j_{p+2}, \dots, j_N \\ i_{p+2}, \dots, i_N \end{pmatrix} \cdot \langle h, \dots, j_N \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

where owing to (1.6),  $U_{j,k}^{(p+1)}$  itself can be described by  $U_{i,m}^{(p+2)}$ . Hence the right hand side of (3.1) is equal to:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.2) \quad & \sum_{\substack{1 \leq k < h \leq p \\ k, h \neq i_{p+1}, i_{p+2}}} d \log(k, h) U_{k,h}^{(p+2)} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots \rangle \\
 &+ \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i'_{p+1} \leq p \\ i'_{p+1} \neq i_{p+1}}} d \log(i_{p+1}, i'_{p+1}) U_{i'_{p+1}, p+1}^{(p+2)} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots \rangle \\
 &+ \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i'_{p+2} \leq p \\ i'_{p+2} \neq i_{p+2}}} d \log(i_{p+2}, i'_{p+2}) U_{i'_{p+2}, p+2}^{(p+2)} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots \rangle \\
 &+ \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i'_{p+1} \leq p \\ i'_{p+1} \neq i_{p+1}}} d \log(i_{p+1}, i'_{p+1}) U_{i'_{p+2}, p+2}^{(p+2)} \left\langle \left\{ \begin{matrix} i_{p+1} \\ i'_{p+1} \end{matrix} \right\}, \left\{ \begin{matrix} i_{p+2} \\ i'_{p+2} \end{matrix} \right\}, \dots \right\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

where in the last term  $p+1 = \max(i_{p+2}, i'_{p+2})$  and  $i'_{p+1} = \min(i_{p+2}, i'_{p+2})$ . In the same manner  $U_{j,k}^{(p+2)}$  is expressed in terms of  $U_{j,k}^{(p+3)}$  and so on. Finally the formula (0.3) is obtained.

Proof of Proposition 2 is immediate, by means of Lemma 2.2 and the equality (0.5). So we omit it.

We now come to Theorem 3.

PROOF OF THEOREM 3. We apply the formula (0.3) for  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle = \langle 1^{p_1}, \dots, p^{p_p} \rangle$ . Then since  $\lambda_{j,k} = 0$  for  $j, k \leq p$ , the second member of the right

hand side of (0.3) vanishes. On the other hand, (0.4) shows that  $\{k, h\} \ni i_{p+\nu_1}, i'_{p+\nu_1}$  and  $\{k, h, p+\nu_1\} \ni i_{p+\nu_2}$ . Since  $i_{p+\nu_2} \leq p$ , and  $i_{p+\nu_2}$  is different from  $i_{p+\nu_1}$ ,  $i_{p+\nu_2}$  must be equal to  $i'_{p+\nu_1}$ . Hence the set  $\{i_{p+\nu_1}, i_{p+\nu_2}\}$  coincides with  $\{k, h\}$ , so that if  $s \geq 2$  then the complement  $\{k, h, p+\nu_1, \dots, p+\nu_s\} - \{i_{p+\nu_1}, \dots, i_{p+\nu_s}\}$  has no element  $j$  such that  $j \leq p$ . This means that (0.3) is simplified as follows:

$$(3.3) \quad \sum_{\nu_1=1}^{N-p} \sum_{i'_{p+\nu_1}} d \log(i_{p+\nu_1}, i'_{p+\nu_1}) \lambda_{p+\nu_1, i'_{p+\nu_1}} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{\{i'_{p+\nu_1}\}}, \dots, i_N \rangle \\ + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq \nu_1 < \nu_2 \leq N-p, \\ i'_{p+\nu_1}, i'_{p+\nu_2}}} d \log(i_{p+\nu_1}, i'_{p+\nu_2}) \lambda_{p+\nu_1, i'_{p+\nu_1}} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{\{i'_{p+\nu_1}\}}, \dots, \widetilde{\{i'_{p+\nu_2}\}}, \dots, i_N \rangle$$

where in the second part  $i'_{p+\nu_2} = p+\nu_1$  and  $i_{p+\nu_2} = i'_{p+\nu_1}$ . On the other hand, Lemma 2.3 shows

$$(3.4) \quad \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{\{i'_{p+\nu_1}\}}, \dots, \widetilde{\{i'_{p+\nu_2}\}}, \dots, i_N \rangle \\ = \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_1}}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_2}}, \dots \rangle - \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_2}}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_1}}, \dots \rangle \\ - \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_1}}, \dots, p+\nu_1, \dots \rangle + \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_2}}, \dots, p+\nu_1, \dots \rangle \\ = \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_1}}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_2}}, \dots \rangle \\ - \frac{1}{2} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_1}}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_1}}, \dots \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle i_{p+1}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_2}}, \dots, \widetilde{i_{p+\nu_2}}, \dots \rangle.$$

(0.7) is thus obtained.

PROOF OF PROPOSITION 3. Assume  $\nu_1 \geq 1$ . Let  $\langle i_{p+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$  be equal to  $\langle 1^{\nu_1}, \dots, p^{\nu_p} \rangle$  with  $i_{p+1} = 1$ . For all  $i_\nu \leq p$ ,  $p+1 \leq \nu < N$  and  $p+2 \leq r \leq N$ , by Stokes formula and partial fractions and the equalities (2.1) and (2.2), we have

$$(3.5) \quad 0 \sim \nabla_\omega \left\{ \frac{(p+1, 1) d(p+2, i_{p+2}) \wedge \dots \wedge d(N, i_N)}{(r, i_r)(r+1, i_{r+1}) \dots (N, i_N)} \right\} \\ = \left[ 1 + \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j + \frac{\lambda}{2} (r-p-2) + \lambda(N-r+1) \right] \langle i_r, \dots, i_N \rangle \\ + \sum_{j=2}^p (j, 1) \lambda_j \langle j, i_r, \dots, i_N \rangle \\ + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{s=r}^N (i_s, 1) \langle i_s, i_r, \dots, i_{r-1}, i_s, i_{s+1}, \dots, i_N \rangle$$

which implies the proposition in terms of  $\nu_1, \dots, \nu_p$  such that  $|\nu| = N - r + 2$ .

Theorem 3 follows immediately from Proposition 3.



**Errata in [A5].**

Each term in (2.8), (5.10), (5.16) and (5.26) should be read as follows respectively:

$$\varphi(\partial_\kappa(i_0, I)) \longrightarrow \lambda_{i_0} \varphi(\partial_\kappa(i_0, I))$$

where the summation should also be taken over  $i_0$ .

$$x_1^{\nu_1} \cdots x_n^{\nu_n} \longrightarrow \frac{x_1^{\nu_1} \cdots x_n^{\nu_n}}{\nu_1! \cdots \nu_n!}.$$

$$\begin{matrix} \lambda_\sigma - 1, \lambda'_\sigma - 1 \\ \lambda_\sigma - 1, \lambda'_\sigma - 1 \end{matrix} \longrightarrow \begin{matrix} \lambda_\sigma - 1, \lambda'_\sigma - 1 \\ \lambda'_\sigma - 1, \lambda'_\sigma - 1 \end{matrix}.$$

$$U_{\sigma, p+1}^{(p+1)} + \beta \mathbf{1}_{N_{p+1}} \longrightarrow U_{\sigma, p+1}^{(p+1)}.$$

$$U_{\tau, p+1}^{(p+1)} + \beta \mathbf{1}_{N_{p+1}} \longrightarrow U_{\tau, p+1}^{(p+1)}.$$

respectively.

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