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*Bi-flat F-manifolds, Painlevé transcendents and complex reflection groups.*

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## *Plan of the talk*

1. From Frobenius manifolds to flat and bi-flat  $F$ -manifolds.
2. Bi-flat  $F$ -manifolds and Painlevé transcendents
3. Bi-flat  $F$ -manifolds and complex reflection groups

## Frobenius manifolds (Dubrovin)

### Definition

A Frobenius manifold  $(M, \circ, \eta, e, E)$  is a manifold equipped with an associative commutative product  $\circ$ , two distinguished vector fields  $e$  and  $E$ , a flat pseudo-metric  $\eta$ :

- $\eta$  is invariant w.r.t the product:  $\eta_{il}c_{jk}^l = \eta_{jl}c_{ik}^l$ .
- the Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$  is compatible with the product:

$$\nabla_k c_{jl}^i = \nabla_j c_{kl}^i.$$

- $e$  is the unit of the product and it is flat:  $\nabla e = 0$ .
- $\nabla \nabla E = 0$ ,  $[e, E] = e$ ,  $\text{Lie}_E c_{jk}^i = c_{jk}^i$ ,  $\text{Lie}_E \eta = D\eta$ .

The product is called *semisimple* if there exist special coordinates s.t.  $c_{jk}^i = \delta_j^i \delta_k^i$ .

# Duality

- a second contravariant flat metric  $g$  called the intersection form and defined as  $g^{ij} = \eta^{il} c_{lk}^j E^k$ .
- dual product:

$$X * Y := E^{-1} \circ X \circ Y \quad (1)$$

- **Topological field theory:** from the previous axioms it follows that in flat coordinates

$$c_{jk}^i = \eta^{il} \partial_l \partial_j \partial_k F$$

The Frobenius potential satisfies the WDVV equations.

- **Integrable (bi)-Hamiltonian hierarchies:**

$$P_{(1)}^{ij} = \eta^{ij} \partial_x - \eta^{il} \Gamma_{lk}^j u_x^k, \quad P_{(2)}^{ij} = g^{ij} \partial_x - g^{il} b_{lk}^j u_x^k.$$

- **Painlevé transcendents:** in canonical coordinates the metric  $\eta$  becomes diagonal. It turns out that the the rotation coefficients  $\beta_{ij}$  are symmetric and satisfy the system

$$\partial_k \beta_{ij} = \beta_{ik} \beta_{kj}, \quad e(\beta_{ij}) = 0, \quad E(\beta_{ij}) = -\beta_{ij},$$

which is equivalent to a one-parameter subfamily of PVI.

## Flat $F$ -manifolds (Manin)

### Definition

A flat  $F$ -manifold  $(M, \circ, \nabla, e)$  is a manifold  $M$  equipped with the following data:

1. a commutative associate product  $\circ : TM \times TM \rightarrow TM$  with flat unit  $e$ .
2. a flat torsionless affine connection  $\nabla$  compatible with the product:

$$\nabla_k c_{jl}^i = \nabla_j c_{kl}^i.$$

## *Oriented associativity equations*

In **flat coordinates**

$$c_{jk}^i = \partial_j \partial_k A^i.$$

The vector potential  $A^i$  satisfies the equations ( $e = \partial_1$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_j \partial_l A^i \partial_k \partial_m A^l &= \partial_k \partial_l A^i \partial_k \partial_m A^l \\ \partial_1 \partial_i A^j &= \delta_i^j \end{aligned}$$

# Principal hierarchy for $F$ -manifolds with compatible flat connection

Integrable hierarchy:

$$u_t^i = c_{jk}^i X^k u_x^j, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

where

$$c_{jm}^i \nabla_k X^m = c_{km}^i \nabla_j X^m, \quad i, j, k = 1, \dots, n. \quad (2)$$

**Primary flows:**  $u_{t(\rho,0)}^i = c_{jk}^i X_{(\rho,0)}^k u_x^j, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$

$X_{(\rho,0)}^k, \rho = 1, \dots, n$  is a basis of flat vector fields.

**Higher flows:**  $u_{t(\rho,\alpha)}^i = c_{jk}^i X_{(\rho,\alpha)}^k u_x^j, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$

where:

$$\nabla_j X_{(\rho,\alpha)}^i = c_{jk}^i X_{(\rho,\alpha-1)}^k, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n.$$

In flat coordinates the flows of the hierarchy are systems of conservation laws.



## *Invariant metric*

Suppose now that there exists a metric  $\eta$  satisfying the following properties

- $\nabla\eta = 0$
- $\eta$  is invariant w.r.t the product:  $\eta_{il}c'_{jk} = \eta_{jl}c'_{ik}$ .

then

- Flat  $F$ -manifold=Frobenius manifold (without Euler vector field)
- $\eta_{il}A^l = \partial_i F$ : oriented associativity equations becomes WDVV associativity equations.
- the principal hierarchy becomes Hamiltonian w.r.t. the Dubrovin-Novikov bracket associated with  $\eta$ .

# *Lenard-Magri chain without Hamiltonian structures*

## **Classical Lenard-Magri chain**

$$P_{(1)} dh_{(\rho,0)} = 0, \quad P_{(1)} dh_{(\rho,l+1)} = P_{(2)} dh_{(\rho,l)}$$

can be also written as

$$\nabla^{(1)} X_{(\rho,0)} = 0, \quad \nabla^{(1)} X_{(\rho,l+1)} = \nabla^{(2)} (E \circ X_{(\rho,l)}).$$

"Compatibility":  $(d_{\nabla} - d_{\nabla^*})(X \circ) = 0, \quad \forall X$ , where  $d_{\nabla}$  is the exterior covariant derivative:  $(d_{\nabla} \omega)_{i_0 \dots i_k}^l = \sum_{j=0}^k (-1)^j \nabla_{i_j} \omega_{i_0 \dots \hat{i}_j \dots i_k}^l$ .

## Bi-flat $F$ -manifolds

### Definition

A bi-flat  $F$ -manifold  $(M, \nabla, \nabla^*, \circ, *, e, E)$  is a manifold  $M$  equipped with a pair of flat connections  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla^*$ , a pair of products  $\circ$  and  $*$  on the tangent spaces  $T_u M$  and a pair of vector fields  $e$  and  $E$  s.t.:

- $E$  is an Euler vector field:  $[e, E] = e$ ,  $\text{Lie}_E c_{jk}^i = c_{jk}^i$ .
- the product  $\circ$  is commutative, associative and with unity  $e$ .
- the product  $*$  is commutative, associative and with unity  $E$ . It is defined as:  $X * Y = E^{-1} \circ X \circ Y$ ,  $\forall X, Y$ .
- $\nabla$  is compatible with  $\circ$  and  $\nabla^*$  is compatible with  $*$ :
- $\nabla e = 0$  and  $\nabla^* E = 0$ ,
- $(d_{\nabla} - d_{\nabla^*})(X \circ) = 0$ ,  $\forall X$ .

## Classification: the semisimple case

In canonical coordinates

$$\begin{aligned}c_{jk}^i &= \delta_j^i \delta_k^i, & c_{jk}^{*i} &= \frac{1}{u^i} \delta_j^i \delta_k^i, \\e &= \sum_k \partial_k, & E &= \sum_k u^k \partial_k \\ \Gamma_{ij}^{(1)i} &= \Gamma_{ij}^{(2)i} = \Gamma_{ij}^i, & i &\neq j\end{aligned}$$

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{jk}^{(1)i} &:= 0 & \Gamma_{jk}^{(2)i} &:= 0 & \forall i \neq j \neq k \neq i \\ \Gamma_{jj}^{(1)i} &:= -\Gamma_{ij}^{(1)i}, & \Gamma_{jj}^{(2)i} &:= -\frac{u^j}{u^i} \Gamma_{ij}^{(2)i} & i \neq j \\ \Gamma_{ii}^{(1)i} &:= -\sum_{l \neq i} \Gamma_{il}^{(1)i}, & \Gamma_{ii}^{(2)i} &:= -\sum_{l \neq i} \frac{u^l}{u^i} \Gamma_{il}^{(2)i} - \frac{1}{u^i},\end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

## Flatness conditions

Let  $R_{(l)}$  be the Riemann tensor of the connection  $\nabla_{(l)}$ ,  $E_{(1)} = e$  and  $E_{(2)} = E$ , then the condition  $R_{(l)} = 0$  splits in two parts:

1.  $[\text{Lie}_{E_{(l)}}, \nabla_{(l)}](T) = 0$ , for any tensor field  $T$ .
2. geometric version of Tsarev's conditions of integrability:  
 $Z_{\circ(l)} R_{(l)}(W, Y)(X) + W_{\circ(l)} R_{(l)}(Y, Z)(X) + Y_{\circ(l)} R_{(l)}(Z, W)(X) = 0$ ,  
for any vector fields  $X, Y, Z, W$ .

In canonical coordinates for  $\circ$  the first condition reads

$$E_{(l)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) = -(\partial_j E_{(l)}^j) \Gamma_{ij}^i, \quad i \neq j$$

and the second condition coincides with

$$\partial_j \Gamma_{ik}^i + \Gamma_{ij}^i \Gamma_{ik}^i - \Gamma_{ik}^i \Gamma_{kj}^k - \Gamma_{ij}^i \Gamma_{jk}^j = 0, \quad \text{if } i \neq k \neq j \neq i.$$

As a first step we have to solve the system

$$\begin{aligned}E_{(0)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) &= [\partial_1 + \partial_2 + \partial_3]\Gamma_{ij}^i = 0, \\E_{(1)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) &= [u^1\partial_1 + u^2\partial_2 + u^3\partial_3]\Gamma_{ij}^i = -\Gamma_{ij}^i,\end{aligned}$$

the solutions of which are given by

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{12}^1 &= \frac{F_{12} \left( \frac{u^2 - u^3}{u^1 - u^2} \right)}{u^1 - u^2}, & \Gamma_{13}^1 &= \frac{F_{13} \left( \frac{u^2 - u^3}{u^1 - u^2} \right)}{u^1 - u^3}, & \Gamma_{21}^2 &= \frac{F_{21} \left( \frac{u^2 - u^3}{u^1 - u^2} \right)}{u^2 - u^1}, \\ \Gamma_{23}^2 &= \frac{F_{23} \left( \frac{u^2 - u^3}{u^1 - u^2} \right)}{u^2 - u^3}, & \Gamma_{31}^3 &= \frac{F_{31} \left( \frac{u^2 - u^3}{u^1 - u^2} \right)}{u^3 - u^1}, & \Gamma_{32}^3 &= \frac{F_{32} \left( \frac{u^2 - u^3}{u^1 - u^2} \right)}{u^3 - u^2}.\end{aligned}$$

where  $F_{ij}$ ,  $i \neq j$  are arbitrary smooth functions.

Imposing Tsarev's conditions and introducing the auxiliary variable  $z = \frac{u^2 - u^3}{u^1 - u^2}$ , we obtain the system

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dF_{12}}{dz} &= - \frac{(F_{12}(z)F_{23}(z) - F_{12}(z)F_{13}(z))z - F_{12}(z)F_{23}(z) + F_{32}(z)F_{13}(z)}{z(z-1)}, \\
 \frac{dF_{21}}{dz} &= \frac{(F_{21}(z)F_{23}(z) - F_{21}(z)F_{13}(z))z + F_{23}(z)F_{31}(z) - F_{23}(z)F_{21}(z)}{z(z-1)}, \\
 \frac{dF_{13}}{dz} &= \frac{(F_{12}(z)F_{23}(z) - F_{12}(z)F_{13}(z))z - F_{12}(z)F_{23}(z) + F_{32}(z)F_{13}(z)}{z(z-1)}, \\
 \frac{dF_{31}}{dz} &= - \frac{(-F_{31}(z)F_{12}(z) + F_{21}(z)F_{32}(z))z + F_{31}(z)F_{32}(z) - F_{21}(z)F_{32}(z)}{z(z-1)}, \\
 \frac{dF_{23}}{dz} &= - \frac{(F_{21}(z)F_{23}(z) - F_{21}(z)F_{13}(z))z + F_{23}(z)F_{31}(z) - F_{23}(z)F_{21}(z)}{z(z-1)}, \\
 \frac{dF_{32}}{dz} &= \frac{(-F_{31}(z)F_{12}(z) + F_{21}(z)F_{32}(z))z + F_{31}(z)F_{32}(z) - F_{21}(z)F_{32}(z)}{z(z-1)},
 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

It is straightforward to check that the above system admits three linear first integrals

$$I_1 = F_{12} + F_{13}, \quad (5)$$

$$I_2 = F_{23} + F_{21}, \quad (6)$$

$$I_3 = F_{31} + F_{32}, \quad (7)$$

one quadratic first integral

$$I_4 = F_{31}F_{13} + F_{12}F_{21} + F_{23}F_{32}. \quad (8)$$

We consider also the cubic first integral

$$I_5 = -I_3 I_4 + I_1 I_2 I_3 = F_{21}F_{13}F_{32} + F_{12}F_{23}F_{31} + (I_2 - I_3)F_{13}F_{31} + (I_1 - I_3)F_{23}F_{32}.$$



### *Theorem*

*Let  $(F_{12}(z), F_{21}(z), F_{13}(z), F_{31}(z), F_{23}(z), F_{32}(z))$  be a solution of the system (4) and  $d_1, d_2, d_3, q_1, q_2$  the values of the first integrals  $l_1, l_2, l_3, l_4, l_5$  on this solution, then the function  $f(z) = F_{23}F_{32} + zF_{12}F_{21} - \frac{q_1}{2}$  is a solution of the equation*

$$[z(z-1)f'']^2 = [q_2 - (d_2 - d_3)g_2 - (d_1 - d_3)g_1]^2 - 4f'g_1g_2, \quad (9)$$

*where  $g_1 = f - zf' + \frac{q_1}{2}$  and  $g_2 = (z-1)f' - f + \frac{q_1}{2}$ . Furthermore, equation (9) reduced to the sigma form of the generic Painlevé VI equation by means of the following transformation*

$$f = -\phi(z) - \frac{1}{4}(d_1 - d_2)^2z + \frac{1}{4}(d_1 - d_3)(d_1 - d_2).$$

Conversely, given a solution  $f(z)$  of the equation

$$[z(z-1)f'']^2 = [q_2 - d_{23}g_2 - d_{13}g_1]^2 - 4f'g_1g_2$$

where  $g_1 = f - zf' + \frac{q_1}{2}$  and  $g_2 = (z-1)f' - f + \frac{q_1}{2}$ , define  $d_1$  as a root of the cubic polynomial

$$\lambda^3 - (2d_{13} - d_{23})\lambda^2 + (d_{13}^2 - d_{13}d_{23} - q_1)\lambda + q_1d_{13} - q_2$$

and  $d_2 = d_1 - d_{13} + d_{23}$ ,  $d_3 = d_1 - d_{13}$ , then the solution  $\{F_{ij}(z)\}$  is

$$F_{12} = \pm \frac{\mu f'}{\mu d_2 - g_1}, \quad F_{21} = \pm \left( d_2 - \frac{g_1}{\mu} \right), \quad F_{13} = \pm \left( d_1 - \frac{\mu f'}{\mu d_2 - g_1} \right)$$

$$F_{31} = \pm (-\mu + d_3), \quad F_{23} = \pm \frac{g_1}{\mu}, \quad F_{32} = \pm \mu$$

where the choice of the sign in a neighborhood of a point  $z_0 \neq 0, 1$  depends on the sign of  $f''(z_0)$  and  $\mu$  satisfies

$$(f' - d_1 d_2)\mu^2 + (d_1 d_2 d_3 + d_1 g_1 - d_2 g_2 - d_3 f')\mu - d_1 d_3 g_1 + g_1 g_2 = 0.$$

## Regular non-semisimple case

The manifold  $M$  is assumed to be *regular*, which means that for each  $p \in M$  the endomorphism  $L_p := E_p \circ : T_p M \rightarrow T_p M$  has exactly one Jordan block for each distinct eigenvalue.

For three-dimensional manifolds, this gives rise to three cases, corresponding to  $L_1, L_2$  and  $L_3$  given by:

$$L_1 := \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad L_2 := \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad L_3 := \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix},$$

(here  $\lambda_j$  with different indices are assumed to be distinct)

### Theorem

Regular bi-flat  $F$ -manifolds in dimension three such that  $L_p$  has three equal eigenvalues and one Jordan block are locally parameterized by solutions of the full Painlevé IV equation.

Regular bi-flat  $F$ -manifolds in dimension three such that  $L_p$  has two distinct eigenvalues and two Jordan blocks are locally parameterized by solutions of the full Painlevé V equation.

Summarizing

$$L_1 := \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ corresponds to PVI}$$

$$L_2 := \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ corresponds to PV}$$

$$L_3 := \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ corresponds to PIV}$$

## Multiflat structures

Vector field	Associated product	Associated connection
$e$	$\circ$	$\nabla$
$E$	$\circ^{(1)}$	$\nabla^{(1)}$
$E \circ E$	$\circ^{(2)}$	$\nabla^{(2)}$
$E \circ E \circ E$	$\circ^{(3)}$	$\nabla^{(3)}$
...	...	...

Compatibility

$$(d_{\nabla} - d_{\nabla^{(l)}})(X \circ) = 0 \quad \forall X. \quad (10)$$

## Existence of multifold structure in the semisimple case

$$\Gamma_{ij}^{(l)i} = \Gamma_{ij}^i, \quad i \neq j, \quad \forall l.$$

Flatness conditions

$$E_{(l)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) + (\partial_j E_{(l)}^j) \Gamma_{ij}^i = 0, \quad l = 0, \dots, N-1 \quad (11)$$

can be written as

$$\hat{E}_{(l)}(\phi_{ij}) := E_{(l)}(\phi_{ij}) - (\partial_j E_{(l)}^j) u^{n+1} \partial_{n+1} \phi_{ij} = 0, \quad l = 0, \dots, N-1. \quad (12)$$

where  $\phi_{ij}(u^1, \dots, u^n, u^{n+1})$  is the function defining implicitly  $\Gamma_{ij}^i$ :

$$\phi_{ij}(u^1, \dots, u^n, \Gamma_{ij}^i(u^1, \dots, u^n)) = \text{constant}$$

In this way, determining  $\phi_{ij}$  can be interpreted as the problem of finding invariant functions for the distribution  $\Delta$  generated by the vector fields  $\{\hat{E}_{(l)}\}_{l=0, \dots, N-1}$ .

### Theorem

Let  $\Delta_{(0,\dots,k)}$  be the distribution spanned by the vector fields  $\hat{e}, \hat{E}, \dots, \hat{E}_{(k)}$  in the  $n + 1$ -dimensional space with coordinates  $(u^1, \dots, u^n, u^{n+1})$ . Then:

1. The distributions  $\Delta_{(0,1)}$  and  $\Delta_{(0,1,2)}$  are integrable.
2.  $\Delta_{(0,1,2,3)}$  is not integrable. Furthermore, at the points where  $u^i \neq u^k$  ( $i \neq k, i, k = 1, \dots, n$ ) and  $u^{n+1} \neq 0$  it is totally non-holonomic, that is the minimal integrable distribution  $\bar{\Delta}$  containing  $\Delta_{(0,1,2,3)}$  has dimension  $n + 1$ .

Notice that the extended vector fields  $Z_{(l)} := \hat{E}_{(l+1)}$  satisfy the commutation relation

$$[Z_{(l)}, Z_{(m)}] = [\hat{E}_{(l+1)}, \hat{E}_{(m+1)}] = (m - l)\hat{E}_{(m+l+1)} = (m - l)Z_{(m+l)},$$

of the centerless Virasoro algebra.

## Three-dimensional tri-flat $F$ -manifolds

First of all we have to solve the systems (for  $j = 1, 2, 3$ )

$$E_{(0)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) = [\partial_1 + \partial_2 + \partial_3]\Gamma_{ij}^i = 0,$$

$$E_{(1)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) = [u^1\partial_1 + u^2\partial_2 + u^3\partial_3]\Gamma_{ij}^i = -\Gamma_{ij}^i,$$

$$E_{(2)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) = [(u^1)^2\partial_1 + (u^2)^2\partial_2 + (u^3)^2\partial_3]\Gamma_{ij}^i = -2u^j\Gamma_{ij}^i.$$

The general solution is given by

$$\Gamma_{12}^1 = \frac{C_{12}(u^3 - u^1)}{(u^2 - u^1)(u^2 - u^3)}, \quad \Gamma_{13}^1 = \frac{C_{13}(u^1 - u^2)}{(u^3 - u^1)(u^3 - u^2)}, \quad \Gamma_{21}^2 = \frac{C_{21}(u^2 - u^3)}{(u^1 - u^3)(u^1 - u^2)},$$
$$\Gamma_{23}^2 = \frac{C_{23}(u^1 - u^2)}{(u^3 - u^1)(u^3 - u^2)}, \quad \Gamma_{31}^3 = \frac{C_{31}(u^2 - u^3)}{(u^1 - u^3)(u^1 - u^2)}, \quad \Gamma_{32}^3 = \frac{C_{32}(u^3 - u^1)}{(u^2 - u^1)(u^2 - u^3)},$$

where  $C_{12}, C_{21}, C_{13}, C_{31}, C_{23}, C_{32}$  are arbitrary constants. Imposing Tsarev's condition we obtain immediately the following constraints

$$C_{13} = -C_{12}, \quad C_{21} = -C_{23}, \quad C_{32} = -C_{31}, \quad C_{12} + C_{23} + C_{31} = 1.$$



## Four-dimensional tri-flat $F$ -manifolds

First step: we have to solve the system the system (with  $j = 1, 2, 3, 4$ )

$$E_{(0)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) = [\partial_1 + \partial_2 + \partial_3 + \partial_4]\Gamma_{ij}^i = 0,$$

$$E_{(1)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) = [u^1\partial_1 + u^2\partial_2 + u^3\partial_3 + u^4\partial_4]\Gamma_{ij}^i = -\Gamma_{ij}^i,$$

$$E_{(2)}(\Gamma_{ij}^i) = [(u^1)^2\partial_1 + (u^2)^2\partial_2 + (u^3)^2\partial_3 + (u^4)^2\partial_4]\Gamma_{ij}^i = -2u^j\Gamma_{ij}^i.$$

We obtain

$$\Gamma_{i1}^i = F_{i1} \left( \frac{(u^1 - u^2)(u^3 - u^4)}{(u^2 - u^3)(u^1 - u^4)} \right) \frac{u^3 - u^2}{(u^1 - u^3)(u^1 - u^2)}, \quad i = 2, 3, 4,$$

$$\Gamma_{i2}^i = F_{i2} \left( \frac{(u^1 - u^2)(u^3 - u^4)}{(u^2 - u^3)(u^1 - u^4)} \right) \frac{u^3 - u^1}{(u^2 - u^3)(u^2 - u^1)}, \quad i = 1, 3, 4,$$

$$\Gamma_{i3}^i = F_{i3} \left( \frac{(u^1 - u^2)(u^3 - u^4)}{(u^2 - u^3)(u^1 - u^4)} \right) \frac{u^2 - u^1}{(u^3 - u^1)(u^3 - u^2)}, \quad i = 1, 2, 4,$$

$$\Gamma_{i4}^i = F_{i4} \left( \frac{(u^1 - u^2)(u^3 - u^4)}{(u^2 - u^3)(u^1 - u^4)} \right) \frac{u^1 - u^3}{(u^4 - u^1)(u^4 - u^3)}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3.$$

The second step seems very difficult. We have to solve a system of 24 equations (Tsarev's conditions) for the 12 unknown functions  $F_{ij}$ . This system can be written as a system of ODEs (*two for each unknown function*) in the variable  $z = \frac{(u^1 - u^2)(u^3 - u^4)}{(u^2 - u^3)(u^1 - u^4)}$  for the unknown functions  $F_{ij}(z)$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dF_{12}}{dz} &= -\frac{-F_{12}F_{13} + F_{12}F_{23} + F_{32}F_{13} + F_{12}}{z-1} = -\frac{-F_{42}F_{14} + F_{12}F_{14} - F_{12}F_{24}}{z}, \\ \frac{dF_{13}}{dz} &= \frac{F_{12}F_{23} - F_{12}F_{13} + F_{32}F_{13} - F_{13}}{z} = \frac{-F_{14}F_{13} + F_{14}F_{43} + F_{34}F_{13}}{z}, \\ \frac{dF_{14}}{dz} &= -\frac{-F_{42}F_{14} + F_{12}F_{14} - F_{12}F_{24}}{z} = -\frac{(F_{34}F_{13} + F_{14}F_{43} - F_{14}F_{13})z + F_{14}}{z(z-1)}, \\ \frac{dF_{21}}{dz} &= -\frac{F_{23}F_{21} - F_{13}F_{21} - F_{23}F_{31} + F_{21}}{z-1} = -\frac{-F_{24}F_{21} + F_{24}F_{41} + F_{14}F_{21}}{z}, \\ \frac{dF_{23}}{dz} &= -\frac{-F_{13}F_{21} + F_{23}F_{21} - F_{23}F_{31} - F_{23}}{(z-1)z} = \frac{F_{23}F_{34} - F_{23}F_{24} + F_{43}F_{24}}{z}, \\ \frac{dF_{24}}{dz} &= \frac{F_{14}F_{21} - F_{24}F_{21} + F_{24}F_{41} - F_{24}z}{(z-1)z} = -\frac{z(F_{34}F_{23} - F_{24}F_{23} + F_{24}F_{43}) + F_{24}}{(z-1)z}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dF_{31}}{dz} = -\frac{-F_{31}F_{14} + F_{31}F_{34} - F_{41}F_{34}}{z} = \frac{F_{31}F_{12} + F_{21}F_{32} - F_{31}F_{32} + F_{31}}{z},$$

$$\frac{dF_{32}}{dz} = \frac{F_{31}F_{12} + F_{21}F_{32} - F_{31}F_{32} - F_{32}}{(z-1)z} = \frac{F_{34}F_{42} - F_{34}F_{32} + F_{24}F_{32}}{z},$$

$$\frac{dF_{34}}{dz} = -\frac{F_{31}F_{34} - F_{41}F_{34} - F_{31}F_{14} + F_{34}z}{(z-1)z} = \frac{F_{34}F_{42} - F_{34}F_{32} + F_{24}F_{32}}{z},$$

$$\frac{dF_{41}}{dz} = \frac{F_{41}F_{12} + F_{21}F_{42} - F_{41}F_{42} + F_{41}}{z} = -\frac{F_{31}F_{43} + F_{41}F_{13} - F_{41}F_{43} - F_{41}}{z-1},$$

$$\frac{dF_{42}}{dz} = \frac{F_{41}F_{12} + F_{21}F_{42} - F_{41}F_{42} - F_{42}}{(z-1)z} = -\frac{F_{42}F_{23} - F_{42}F_{43} + F_{32}F_{43} + F_{42}}{z-1},$$

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Comparing the right and sides of the above equations we obtain some constraints on the functions  $F_{ij}$ . We have the following relations

$$\begin{aligned}F_{14}(z) - F_{12}(z) &= C_1, \\zF_{13}(z) + (z - 1)F_{12}(z) &= C_1, \\F_{32}(z) - F_{34}(z) &= C_2, \\(z - 1)F_{34}(z) - F_{31}(z) &= C_2, \\-zF_{43}(z) - (z - 1)F_{42}(z) &= C_3, \\\frac{F_{41}(z)}{z} - \frac{(z - 1)}{z}F_{42}(z) &= C_3, \\\frac{zF_{23}(z)}{z - 1} + \frac{F_{21}(z)}{z - 1} &= C_7, \\(z - 1)F_{24}(z) - F_{21}(z) &= C_7.\end{aligned}$$

Since for each unknown we have two equations, we have still to impose that such equations coincide. In general this seems a very complicate task. However, assuming  $C_1 = 0$  we obtain the following additional constraints

$$\begin{aligned} C_7 &= C_2 + C_3 - 2, \\ F_{42}(z) &= \frac{(1 - C_3)z + F_{34}(z)(z - 1) - C_2}{z - 1}, \\ F_{21}(z) &= F_{34}(z)(z - 1) + 1 - C_2, \\ F_{34}(z) &= C_3 + F_{12}(z) - 1. \end{aligned}$$

After this, all the equations of the original system reduce to the first order equation

$$\frac{dF_{12}(z)}{dz} = -\frac{F_{12}(z)[(F_{12}(z) + C_3 - 1)(1 - z) + C_2]}{z(z - 1)} \quad (13)$$

whose general solution is given by

$$F_{12}(z) = \frac{C_9 z^{C_2} (z - 1)^{-C_2}}{C_8 C_9 z^{C_9} + \text{hypergeom}([C_2, C_9], [1 + C_9], \frac{1}{z})} \quad (14)$$

where  $C_9 = 1 - C_3$  and  $C_8$  is an additional integration constant.

## Multiflat structures in the non semisimple regular case

$$c_{ij}^k = \delta_{i+j-1}^k,$$

$$E_{(0)} = \mathbf{e} = \partial_{u^1},$$

$$E_{(l+1)} = E^l = (u^1)^l \partial_{u^1} + lu^2 (u^1)^{l-1} \partial_{u^2} + \left( lu^3 (u^1)^{l-1} + \frac{1}{2}(l^2 - l)(u^2)^2 (u^1)^{l-2} \right) \partial_{u^3},$$

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$$\Gamma_{11}^{(l+1)3} = \frac{l((2la^2 + 2la + a + 2)u^1 u^3 - (la^2 + 2la + a + 2)(u^2)^2 + (lab + 2lb)u^1 u^2)}{(a+2)(u^1)^3}$$

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$$\Gamma_{22}^{(l+1)3} = -\frac{((la^2 + 3la + 2l)(u^2)^2 - (ab - 2b)u^1 u^2 + 2au^1 u^3)}{(a+2)u^1 (u^2)^2}, \quad \Gamma_{22}^{(l+1)2} = \frac{a(a+1)}{u^2(a+2)}$$

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## Complex reflection groups and bi-flat $F$ -manifolds

In the cases  $G_4, G_5, G_6, G_8, G_9, G_{10}, G_{14}, G_{16}, G_{17}, G_{18}, G_{20}, G_{21}, G_{23}, G_{24}, G_{25}, G_{26}, G_{27}$  the dual product and the dual connection:

$$c_{jk}^{*i}(p) = -\Gamma_{jk}^{*i}(p) = h^{im} \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{s=1}^M \frac{\kappa_s}{\|\alpha_s\|^2} \frac{(\alpha_s)_j (\alpha_s)_p (\bar{\alpha}_s)_m}{\alpha_s(p)} \right\}, \quad (15)$$

where

- $\alpha_s$  are constant covectors in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ ;
- $h^{im}$  are the components of the inverse of a suitable Hermitian metric. In all the cases a part from one ( $G_{27}$ )  $h$  is the standard Hermitian metric;
- $N$  is a normalizing factor chosen in such a way that  $c_{jk}^{*i} E^k = \delta_j^i$ ;
- $M$  is the number of distinct factors of  $\det \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial p^j}$  (the number of reflecting hyperplanes);
- $\kappa_s$  is the order of the (pseudo)-reflection defined by the hyperplane  $\ker(\alpha_s)$ .



Moreover, the flat coordinates of  $\nabla$  (generalized Saito flat coordinates) are flat basic invariants  $(u_1, \dots, u_n)$  satisfying the following condition

$$\frac{\partial^2 u^i}{\partial p^j \partial p^k} = (d_i - 1) c_{jk}^{*s} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial p^s}.$$

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## Painlevé equations

$$\frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} = 6w^2 + z$$

$$\frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} = 2w^3 + zw + \alpha$$

$$\frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} = \frac{1}{w} \left( \frac{dw}{dz} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{z} \left( \frac{dw}{dz} \right) + \frac{\alpha w^2 + \beta}{z} + \gamma w^3 + \frac{\delta}{w}$$

$$\frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} = \frac{1}{2w} \left( \frac{dw}{dz} \right)^2 + \frac{3}{2} w^3 + 4zw^2 + 2(z^2 - \alpha)w + \frac{\beta}{w}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} = & \left( \frac{1}{2w} + \frac{1}{w-1} \right) \left( \frac{dw}{dz} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{z} \left( \frac{dw}{dz} \right) + \frac{(w-1)^2}{z^2} \left( \alpha w + \frac{\beta}{w} \right) + \\ & + \frac{\gamma w}{z} + \frac{\delta w(w+1)}{w-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 w}{dz^2} = & \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{w} + \frac{1}{w-1} + \frac{1}{w-z} \right) \left( \frac{dw}{dz} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{z-1} + \frac{1}{w-z} \right) \left( \frac{dw}{dz} \right) + \\ & + \frac{w(w-1)(w-z)}{z^2(z-1)^2} \left( \alpha + \frac{\beta z}{w^2} + \frac{\gamma(z-1)}{(w-1)^2} + \frac{\delta z(z-1)}{(w-z)^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

## $\sigma$ -form of Painlevé equations

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{dz^2}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dz}\right)^3 + 2z\frac{d\sigma}{dz} - 2\sigma = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{dz^2}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dz}\right)^3 + 2\frac{d\sigma}{dz}\left(z\frac{d\sigma}{dz} - \sigma\right) = \frac{1}{4}\left(\alpha + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{dz^2}\right)^2 + \left[4\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dz}\right)^2 - 1\right]\left(z\frac{d\sigma}{dz} - \sigma\right) + \lambda_0\lambda_1\frac{d\sigma}{dz} = \frac{1}{4}\left(\lambda_0^2 + \lambda_1^2\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{dz^2}\right)^2 - 4\left(z\frac{d\sigma}{dz} - \sigma\right)^2 + 4\frac{d\sigma}{dz}\left(z\frac{d\sigma}{dz} + 2\theta_0\right)\left(z\frac{d\sigma}{dz} + 2\theta_\infty\right) = 0$$

$$\left(z\frac{d^2\sigma}{dz^2}\right)^2 - 2\left[2\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dz}\right)^2 - z\frac{d\sigma}{dz} + \sigma\right]^2 + 4\prod_{j=1}^4\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dz} + \kappa_j\right) = 0$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dz}\left(z(z-1)\frac{d^2\sigma}{dz^2}\right)^2 + \left[\frac{d\sigma}{dz}\left(2\sigma - (2z-1)\frac{d\sigma}{dz}\right) + \beta_1\beta_2\beta_3\beta_4\right]^2 = \prod_{j=1}^4\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dz} + \beta_j\right)$$