

47. Symmetries of the Garnier System and of the Associated Polynomial Hamiltonian System

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Introduction. The aim of this note is to present a group of symmetries for the Garnier system, which is a system of partial differential equations obtained by monodromy preserving deformations of second order Fuchsian differential equations on P^1 , and for the associated polynomial Hamiltonian system.

Let us consider a Pfaffian system:

$$E(\theta) : \quad dx_i = \sum_{j=1}^n G_{ij}(x, t, \theta) dt_j \quad i=1, \dots, m,$$

where $G_{ij}(x, t, \theta)$ are rational functions in $(x, t) = (x_1, \dots, x_m, t_1, \dots, t_n)$ depending on parameters $\theta \in C^N$ and d stands for the exterior differentiation with respect to (x, t) . For a birational transformation $S: (x, t) \rightarrow (x', t')$, we denote by $S \cdot E(\theta)$ the system of differential equations in the variables (x', t') obtained from $E(\theta)$ by the transformation S .

Definition. A group of symmetries for the system E is a group whose element is a pair $\sigma = (S, l)$ of a birational transformation $S: (x, t) \rightarrow (x', t')$ and an affine transformation $l: C^N \rightarrow C^N$ such that $S \cdot E(\theta) = E(l(\theta))$.

Let $\sigma = (S, l)$ and $\sigma' = (S', l')$ be symmetries of the system E . The product $\sigma \cdot \sigma'$ and the inverse σ^{-1} to σ are defined by $\sigma \cdot \sigma' := (S \circ S', l \circ l')$ and $\sigma^{-1} := (S^{-1}, l^{-1})$, respectively.

1. Garnier system \mathcal{G}_n and the associated system \mathcal{H}_n . The n -dimensional Garnier system is the Hamiltonian system

$$\mathcal{G}_n : \quad d\lambda_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \{K_j, \lambda_i\} dt_j, \quad d\mu_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \{K_j, \mu_i\} dt_j,$$

$i=1, \dots, n$, where $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$ stands for the Poisson bracket

$$\{f, g\} = \sum_i \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mu_i} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \lambda_i} - \frac{\partial g}{\partial \mu_i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \lambda_i} \right).$$

The Hamiltonians $K_i = K_i(\theta, \lambda, \mu, t)$ are given by

$$K_i = M_i \sum_{k=1}^n M^{k,i} \left\{ \mu_k^2 - \sum_{m=1}^{n+2} \frac{\theta_m - \delta_{im}}{\lambda_k - t_m} \mu_k + \frac{\kappa}{\lambda_k(\lambda_k - 1)} \right\},$$

where $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{n+2}$, $\kappa := (1/4)(\sum_{i=1}^{n+2} \theta_i - 1)^2 - (1/4)\theta_\infty^2$ are constants, $t_{n+1} = 0$, $t_{n+2} = 1$, and

$$M_i = -\frac{A(t_i)}{T'(t_i)}, \quad M^{k,i} = \frac{T(\lambda_k)}{(\lambda_k - t_i)A'(\lambda_k)},$$

$(i, k = 1, \dots, n, n+1, n+2)$ defined by using

$$T(x) = \prod_{i=1}^{n+2} (x - t_i), \quad A(x) = \prod_{k=1}^n (x - \lambda_k).$$

Note that \mathcal{G}_1 is the sixth Painlevé system and hence the Garnier system can be thought of a generalization of the sixth Painlevé system.

We transform \mathcal{G}_n into the Hamiltonian system with the Painlevé property, i.e., the system of which solutions are free of branching singularity whose position depends on initial conditions.

Proposition 1 [3]. *By the change of variables $\phi: (\lambda, \mu, t) \rightarrow (q, p, s)$ defined by*

$$q_i = -t_i M_i, \quad p_i = -(t_i - 1) \sum_k \frac{M^{k,i} \mu_k}{\lambda_k(\lambda_k - 1)}, \quad s_i = \frac{t_i}{t_i - 1},$$

$i = 1, \dots, n$, the Garnier system \mathcal{G}_n is transformed into the system enjoying the Painlevé property:

$$\mathcal{H}_n: \quad dq_i = \sum_j \{H_j, q_i\} ds_j, \quad dp_i = \sum_j \{H_j, p_i\} ds_j,$$

$i = 1, \dots, n$, with Hamiltonians:

$$H_i := \frac{1}{s_i(s_i - 1)} \left[\sum_{j,k=1}^n E_{ijk}(s, q) p_j p_k - \sum_{j=1}^n F_{ij}(s, q) p_j + \kappa q_i \right],$$

where $E_{ijk}, F_{ij} \in C(s)[q]$.

As for the explicit form of E_{ijk} and $F_{ij} \in C(s)[q]$, see [3].

2. Symmetries of the Garnier system. Let $V = \{\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{n+2}, \theta_\infty) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+3}\}$ be the space of parameters of the systems \mathcal{G}_n and \mathcal{H}_n ; and let $\mathcal{G}_n(\theta)$ and $\mathcal{H}_n(\theta)$ be the systems \mathcal{G}_n and \mathcal{H}_n with fixed parameters θ , respectively.

We give a group of symmetries for the Garnier system \mathcal{G}_n . Let $S_m: (\lambda, \mu, t) \rightarrow (\lambda', \mu', t')$ ($m = 1, \dots, n+2$) be birational transformations defined as follows.

$$S_m(m=1, \dots, n): \quad \lambda'_i = \frac{t_m - \lambda_i}{t_m - 1}, \quad \mu'_i = -(t_m - 1)\mu_i,$$

$$t'_i = \begin{cases} \frac{t_m - t_i}{t_m - 1}, & (i \neq m, n+1), \\ \frac{t_m}{t_m - 1}, & (i = m); \end{cases}$$

$$S_{n+1}: \quad \lambda'_i = 1 - \lambda_i, \quad \mu'_i = -\mu_i, \quad t'_i = 1 - t_i;$$

$$S_{n+2}: \quad \lambda'_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_i - 1}, \quad \mu'_i = -(\lambda_i - 1)^2 \mu_i - \alpha(\lambda_i - 1), \quad t'_i = \frac{t_i}{t_i - 1}.$$

where $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 + \dots + \theta_{n+2} - 1 + \theta_\infty)$. Let $l_m: V \rightarrow V$ be linear transformations defined by

$$l_m(m=1, \dots, n): \quad (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m, \dots, \theta_n, \theta_{n+1}, \theta_{n+2}, \theta_\infty) \longmapsto (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{m-1}, \theta_{n+1}, \theta_{m+1}, \dots, \theta_n, \theta_m, \theta_{n+2}, \theta_\infty),$$

$$l_{n+1}: \quad (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n, \theta_{n+1}, \theta_{n+2}, \theta_\infty) \longmapsto (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n, \theta_{n+2}, \theta_{n+1}, \theta_\infty),$$

$$l_{n+2}: \quad (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n, \theta_{n+1}, \theta_{n+2}, \theta_\infty) \longmapsto (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n, \theta_{n+1}, \theta_\infty, \theta_{n+2}).$$

Set $\sigma_m := (S_m, l_m)$ ($m = 1, \dots, n+2$) and let $L := \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{n+2} \rangle$ be the group generated by σ_m 's. The group L is isomorphic to the symmetric group on $n+3$ letters.

Furthermore, let $T_m : (\lambda, \mu, t) \rightarrow (\lambda', \mu', t')$ ($m=1, \dots, n+2$) be the birational transformations defined by

$$\lambda'_i = \lambda_i, \quad \mu'_i = \mu_i - \frac{\theta_m}{\lambda_i - t_m}, \quad t'_i = t_i \quad (i=1, \dots, n),$$

and let $h_m : V \rightarrow V$ ($m=1, \dots, n+2, \infty$) be the affine transformations given by

$$h_m : (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m, \dots, \theta_\infty) \mapsto (\theta_1, \dots, -\theta_m, \dots, \theta_\infty).$$

Set $\tau_m = (T_m, h_m)$ and $\tau_\infty = (id., h_\infty)$; they generate a group isomorphic to $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{n+3}$. Let $G := \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{n+2}, \tau_1, \dots, \tau_{n+2}, \tau_\infty \rangle$ be the group generated by σ_i 's and τ_m 's.

Theorem 2. *The group G is a group of symmetries for the Garnier system \mathcal{G}_n and is isomorphic to the Weyl group of type B_{n+3} .*

3. Symmetries of \mathcal{H}_n . We shall present a group of symmetries for the Hamiltonian system \mathcal{H}_n which is naturally induced from the group G . For each element $\sigma = (S, l)$ of the group G , we seek for a birational transformation $\hat{S} : (q, p, s) \rightarrow (q', p', s')$ such that the following diagram commutes :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\lambda, \mu, t) & \xrightarrow{S} & (\lambda', \mu', t') \\ \phi \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \phi \downarrow \\ (q, p, s) & \xrightarrow{\hat{S}} & (q', p', s') \end{array}$$

where the right and left vertical arrows indicate the transformations ϕ , given in Proposition 1, which take the Garnier system $\mathcal{G}_n(\theta)$ into the Hamiltonian system $\mathcal{H}_n(\theta)$.

Theorem 3. (i) *For each element $\sigma = (S, l) \in G$, there exists a unique birational transformation $\hat{S} : (q, p, s) \rightarrow (q', p', s')$ which make the above diagram commute.*

(ii) *The group $\hat{G} = \langle \hat{\sigma}_1, \dots, \hat{\sigma}_{n+2}, \hat{\tau}_1, \dots, \hat{\tau}_{n+2}, \hat{\tau}_\infty \rangle$, generated by $\hat{\sigma}_m = (\hat{S}_m, l_m)$, $\hat{\tau}_m := (\hat{T}_m, h_m)$ ($i=1, \dots, n+2$) and $\tau_\infty := (id., h_\infty)$ is a group of symmetries for the system \mathcal{H}_n and is isomorphic to the Weyl group of type B_{n+3} .*

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