

From Baxter's model to modular correspondences and differentially algebraic globally bounded series.

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I first met Rodney in 1980.

Fundamental Problems in Statistical Mechanics. Proceedings, 5th International Summer School, Enschede, Netherlands, June 23 - July 5, 1980 E.G.D. Cohen editor.

Two years later Rodney sent me a three months (dream ...) invitation in Canberra !! This was my first visit to Canberra, but not the last !

The last time I saw him was in London in 2023 at the Royal Society.

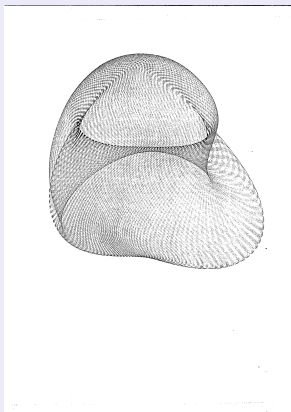
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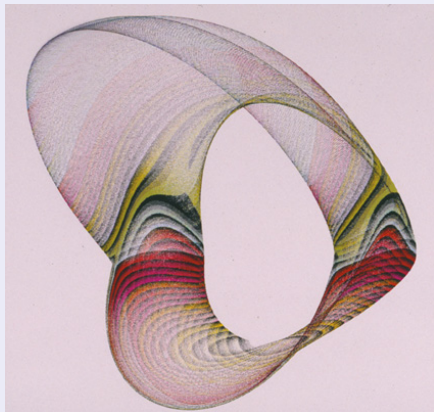
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YBE are necessarily parametrized in terms of **algebraic varieties** with a (generically) infinite set of **birational automorphisms**. In the case of curves, this is the reason of the emergence of **elliptic curves** (i.e. genus one), in so many YB integrable models, like the Baxter model.



You can actually obtain the algebraic variety from the iteration of a birational transformation: this corresponds to the so-called “baxterization”.

Baxter model

Let us consider the parametrization of the Baxter model:

$$a = \rho \cdot \operatorname{sn}(v + \eta, k), \quad b = \rho \cdot \operatorname{sn}(\eta - v, k), \quad c = \rho \cdot \operatorname{sn}(2\eta, k), \\ d = \rho \cdot k \cdot \operatorname{sn}(2\eta, k) \cdot \operatorname{sn}(v + \eta, k) \cdot \operatorname{sn}(\eta - v, k).$$

The iteration of a birational transformation (baxterization) corresponds, in the spectral parameter, to $v \longrightarrow v + 2n \cdot \eta$ where the **modulus** of the elliptic functions **remains fixed**. In this talk we are not going to consider these **birational** symmetries, but, rather, to infinite discrete (algebraic) transformations, **in the modulus** k , and we will see that they correspond to **exact generators of the renormalization group**, to **modular forms** and to **modular correspondences**.

Before the Baxter model: 399 solutions of the Ising model

The partition function (per site) of the (isotropic) Onsager model can be written in terms of a ${}_4F_3$ hypergeometric function

$$\ln(Z) = \ln(2 \cosh(2K)) - \frac{k_L^2}{16} \cdot {}_4F_3\left([1, 1, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}], [2, 2, 2], k_L^2\right),$$

where: $k_L = \frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k}$ with:

$$k = \sinh(2K_1) \cdot \sinh(2K_2) = \sinh(2K)^2.$$

k is the **modulus of the elliptic functions** parametrizing the 2-D Ising model, and $k \rightarrow k_L$ is the **Landen transformation**.

See for instance: *The hypergeometric series for the partition function of the Ising model*, by G. M. Viswanathan, 2015

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1411.2495>

Before the Baxter model: 399 solutions of the Ising model

On this ${}_4F_3$ hypergeometric form it is crystal clear that the partition function is **D-finite** (i.e. solution of a linear differential operator with polynomial coefficients).

See also *399-th solution of the Ising model*, by R.J. Baxter 1978 J. Phys. A: Math. Gen. **11** 2463

$$\ln(Z) = \ln(2 \cosh(2K)) \\ + \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \cdot \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi \ln\left(1 - k_L \cdot \cos(q_1) \cos(q_2)\right) \cdot dq_1 dq_2$$

Let us perform a derivative of the partition function in order to get rid of the log, this Onsager's double integral form becomes similar to Lattice Green Functions (LGF), like the hyper-cubic LGF:

$$G(t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int_0^\pi \cdots \int_0^\pi \frac{dq_1 \cdot dq_2 \cdots dq_n}{1 - t \cdot \lambda}, \\ \lambda = c_1 + c_2 + \cdots + c_n, \quad c_j = \cos q_j$$

LGF are D-finite: they are **diagonal of rational functions**.

Is the partition function per-site of the Baxter model D -finite ? or $D - D$ finite or differentially algebraic ?

Recalls on the Baxter model.

$$T(v) \simeq A(qz/x) \cdot A(q/z/x) \cdot \frac{\mathcal{F}(x^2 z) \mathcal{F}(x^2/z)}{\mathcal{F}(q/z) \mathcal{F}(qz)},$$

$$\mathcal{F}(z) = \prod_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{A(x^{4m+1} z)}{A(x^{4m+3} z)}, \quad A(z) = \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^n z)^N,$$

where q denotes the **nome** of the **elliptic functions** parametrizing the model, where x and z are exponentials of the **shift** η and of the **spectral parameter** u along the elliptic curve (see (10.7.9) page 225 and (10.7.19) page 226 in Baxter's book):

$$q = \exp\left(-\frac{\pi I'}{I}\right), \quad x = \exp\left(-\frac{\pi \eta}{2I}\right), \quad z = \exp\left(-\frac{\pi u}{2I}\right).$$

Infinite products of infinite products. Elliptic beta functions,
Elliptic gamma functions, Barnes functions

$$G(z+1) = \Gamma(z) \cdot G(z).$$

Almost like having three periods

The three variables q , x and z are “almost” on the same footing. At least q and x are “quite” on the “same footing”.

It is like the function had **three periods** (half-periods) I , I' and η . Jacobi (1835) proved that a **single-valued univariate** function cannot have distinct periods (Boyer and Merzbach 1991, p. 525), thus showing that **elliptic functions are the most general multiply periodic single-valued functions possible in a single variable**.

The “third period” η , is a quasi-period, it corresponds to a **covariance** of the function (see the functional equation associated with the **inversion relation**, together with the crossing relation $Z(z) = Z(1/z)$):

$$Z(z) \cdot Z(x^2/z) = \lambda \cdot A(xz) \cdot A\left(\frac{x^3}{z}\right) \cdot A\left(\frac{qz}{x^3}\right) \cdot A\left(\frac{q}{xz}\right)$$

$$Z(x^4 \cdot z) = \left(A() \cdot A() \cdots A() \right) \cdot Z(z)$$

Selected subcases of the Baxter model: RSOS models

$$\tau = \frac{2\pi K}{K'}, \quad \lambda = \frac{2\pi \eta}{K'}, \quad u = \frac{\pi \cdot (\eta + v)}{K'}, \quad q = \exp(-\tau).$$

The **Ising** model is a subcase of the **Baxter** model corresponding in these variables, to the condition (see (10.9.7) page 238 in Baxter's Book and Appendix 2):

$$q = x^4.$$

The other subcases of the Baxter model are, in the **RSOS family** (see G.E. Andrews, R. Baxter and P. Forrester) which corresponds to $\eta = K/r$ (r is an integer, K is the complete elliptic integral of the first kind), the hard hexagon model which corresponds to $\eta = K/5$, i.e. to the condition:

$$q = x^5,$$

when the other **RSOS conditions** read $q = x^r$ (r is an integer).

Magnetization of the Baxter model

The **magnetization** of the Baxter model reads (see (10.9.10) page 238 in Baxter's book):

$$M(q) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - q^{2n-1}}{1 + q^{2n-1}},$$

which is independent of x and of course z .

Note, however, that written in terms of the **modulus** k of elliptic functions, instead of the **nome** q of elliptic functions, the spontaneous magnetization has the remarkably simple **algebraic form**

$$M(q) = (1 - k^2)^{1/8}.$$

Calabi-Yau manifolds, Calabi-Yau equations, mirror symmetries, series with integer coefficients.

With the **elliptic functions** and **modular forms**, and the two previous k versus q , **modulus versus nome** descriptions, we have the simplest illustration of the **mirror symmetry**. In the “ q -world” the automorphy properties (infinite products), the modular group symmetries are obvious, we have differentially algebraic equations, **but** the D -finite (holonomic) **linear** structures **are hidden**. In the “ k -world” we have (or we may have ...) linear differential equations, D -finite functions, **but** the automorphy properties (infinite products), the modular group symmetries **are hidden**. **We need the two complementary descriptions.**

Polarization of the Baxter model.

On the other hand, the **polarization** of the Baxter model (see (10.10.24) page 245 in Baxter's book) reads:

$$P(q, x) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1 + q^n}{1 - q^n} \cdot \frac{1 - x^{2n}}{1 + x^{2n}} \right)^2.$$

At first sight, it seems difficult to imagine that, similarly to the spontaneous magnetization, this last infinite product exact expression **could also reduce**, possibly in the isotropic case, to an algebraic expression, or just a D -finite function **in k** . In fact, it is algebraic, when q and x are **"commensurate"**, i.e. if there exist two positive integers N and M such that:

$$x^N = q^M.$$

To be D -finite in the modulus k or (differentially algebraic) in the nome q ?

The spontaneous magnetization is clearly D -finite in the **modulus** k (it is algebraic ...), but it is **not** D -finite in the nome q : it is **differentially algebraic**, which means solution of a **non-linear** differential equation. The $q \leftrightarrow k$ transformation is **differentially algebraic**.

Corresponds to the concept of **mirror-map**.

$$\tilde{X}(q) = q - 744q^2 + 356652q^3 - 140361152q^4 + \dots$$

and the *nome* which is its *compositional inverse*:

$$\tilde{Q}(x) = x + 744x^2 + 750420x^3 + 872769632x^4 + \dots$$

We will come to this in a few slides ...

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Ising n -fold integrals : the $\chi^{(n)}$'s

The **full susceptibility** of the two-dimensional Ising model can be written as an **infinite sum** of n -folds integrals which are **holonomic functions** ($w = s/2/(1 + s^2)$, $k = s^2$, $s = \sinh(2K)$):

$$\chi(w) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \chi^{(n)}(w).$$

All these n -fold integrals $\chi^{(n)}$ are actually **diagonals of rational functions** !!

In the contrast, the **magnetic susceptibility**, χ , is **not a holonomic function**, it is **not D-finite**: χ is **not solution of a linear differential equation**. It is **much more involved**: is it **differentially algebraic** ?

The full susceptibility χ has a (unit circle) **natural boundary**, in the complex k -plane: $|k| = 1$ is a **natural boundary** of $\chi(k)$.

The well-suited framework: diagonal of rational functions

We also found in enumerative combinatorics, lattice statistical mechanics, many other solutions of selected **linear** differential operators, which have **special differential Galois groups**. All these linear differential operators are **globally nilpotent**: they are not only **Fuchsian**, they are such that their p -curvatures are nilpotent, and all their **critical exponents are rational numbers**, ... They are “**Derived from Geometry**”: they annihilate n -fold integrals of **algebraic integrands** (in mathematician's wording “**Periods**”). These n -fold integrals are (or can be recast into) series with **integer coefficients** (globally bounded series). These two set of properties are, in fact, the consequence of the fact that these holonomic functions are actually **diagonal of rational functions**. *As Monsieur Jourdain talked prose, without knowing it, n -fold integrals in physics are, without knowing it, diagonal of rational functions*, which corresponds to a **quite remarkable set**.

((Diagonal of rat. func.) solutions of high order linear differential operators

As seen in “*Experimental mathematics on the magnetic susceptibility of the square lattice Ising model*”, or “*High order Fuchsian equations for the square lattice Ising model: $\chi^{(5)}$* ”, with A J Guttmann, the $\chi^{(n)}$ ’s are solutions of linear differential operators of quite large order, which factorize into **products** and **direct sums** of **many** factors:

$$\left(\left(\right) \cdot \left(\right) \cdots \left(\right) \right) \oplus \left(\left(\right) \cdot \left(\right) \cdots \left(\right) \right) \oplus \cdots$$

where each factor has highly selected function solutions: **elliptic functions**, **modular forms**, **derivatives of modular forms**, and other remarkable functions with **modularity properties** (Calabi-Yau but that’s another story, ...).

At this step: Modular forms are just “involved” elliptic functions.

In the following, we will focus on modular forms, modular curves, modular correspondences ... At this step, just see a modular form as an “**automorphic function**” $\Phi(x)$ for a “**symmetry**” $x \rightarrow y(x)$:

$$\Phi(y(x)) = \mathcal{A}(x) \cdot \Phi(x).$$

Spoiler: in physics the symmetry $x \rightarrow y(x)$ will be a **generator of the renormalization group**.

Z_2 in $\chi^{(3)}$ or $\chi^{(5)}$: a modular form

The solution of the linear differential operator Z_2 can be expressed in terms of the ${}_2F_1$ hypergeometric function **up to a modular invariant pull-back** \mathcal{M}_x :

$$\mathcal{S} = \left(\Omega \cdot \mathcal{M}_x \right)^{1/12} \times {}_2F_1 \left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12} \right]; [1]; \mathcal{M}_x \right), \quad \text{where:}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{1728} \frac{(1-4x)^6 (1-x)^6}{x \cdot (1+3x+4x^2)^2 (1+2x)^6},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_x = 1728 \frac{x \cdot (1+3x+4x^2)^2 (1+2x)^6 (1-4x)^6 (1-x)^6}{(1+7x+4x^2)^3 \cdot P^3},$$

$$P = 1 + 237x + 1455x^2 + 4183x^3 + 5820x^4 + 3792x^5 + 64x^6.$$

It is a **modular form**.

Be careful not any ${}_2F_1([\alpha, \beta], [1], p(x))$ corresponds to a modular form ...

Simple (automorphy) covariance is too simple: the full susceptibility of the Ising model

Remarkably long series expansion (**5000 coefficients !!!**) were obtained for the **low-temp. full susceptibility** of the Ising model (here $w = s/(1 + s^2)/2$):

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\chi}_L(w) = & 4w^4 + 80w^6 + 1400w^8 + 23520w^{10} + 388080w^{12} \\ & + 6342336w^{14} + 103062976w^{16} + 1668639424w^{18} \\ & + 26948549680w^{20} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

to be compared with the series for $\tilde{\chi}^{(2)}(w)$ namely :

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\chi}_L^{(2)} = & 4w^4 \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right], [3], 16w^2\right) \\ = & 4w^4 + 80w^6 + 1400w^8 + 23520w^{10} + 388080w^{12} \\ & + 6342336w^{14} + 103062960w^{16} + 1668638400w^{18} \\ & + 26948510160w^{20} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

From modular forms to derivatives of modular forms.

The hypergeometric function $\tilde{\chi}_L^{(2)}$ is “not exactly” of the automorphic form $\Phi(y(x)) = \mathcal{A}(x) \cdot \Phi(x)$ but rather

$$\Phi(y(x)) = \mathcal{L}(x) \cdot \Phi(x),$$

where $\mathcal{L}(x)$ is a linear differential operator. The hypergeometric function $\tilde{\chi}_L^{(2)}$ can, in fact, be written as an order-one linear diff. operator \mathcal{L}_1 **acting on** a **modular form**:

$$\tilde{\chi}_L^{(2)} = -\frac{1}{12} \cdot \mathcal{L}_1 \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right], [1], 16w^2\right).$$

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = w \cdot (8w^2 - 1) \cdot \frac{d}{dw} + 8w^2.$$

and we have a rather simple generalization of the previous automorphy relation:

Simple (automorphy) covariance is too simple: Renormalization group

$$\tilde{\chi}^{(2)}\left(\frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k}\right) = 4 \cdot \frac{1+k}{k} \cdot \frac{d\tilde{\chi}^{(2)}(k)}{dk},$$

where:
$$\tilde{\chi}^{(2)}(k) = \frac{k^4}{4^3} \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right], [3], k^2\right).$$

Conversely, this relation can also be written as

$$\tilde{\chi}^{(2)}(k) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(k \cdot (k-1) \cdot \frac{d}{dk} + \frac{k^2 + k + 2}{k+1}\right) \cdot \tilde{\chi}^{(2)}\left(\frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k}\right),$$

or, introducing the *inverse (descending)* **Landen transformation**:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\chi}^{(2)}\left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - k^2}}{1 + \sqrt{1 - k^2}}\right) &= \left(\frac{(k^2 - 2) \cdot \sqrt{1 - k^2} + 2}{4k^2}\right) \cdot \tilde{\chi}^{(2)}(k) \\ &+ \frac{k^2 - 1}{4k} \cdot \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - k^2}\right) \cdot \frac{d\tilde{\chi}^{(2)}(k)}{dk}. \end{aligned}$$

Landen transformation and renormalization group.

The **Landen transformation**, or the **inverse Landen transformation**, is an **exact generator of the renormalization group**. An **exact generator** of the renormalization group **must be compatible** with the elliptic parametrization of the Ising (resp. Baxter) model. It must have the critical point, $k = 1$, as a fixed point, but, beyond, one must have $k = 0, 1, \infty$ preserved by such a generator. At this step, an infinite number of functions can be generator of the renormalization group. However **one must impose that the lattice of periods is actually compatible with such generator** of the renormalization group. The only such transformations are **isogenies of the elliptic curves**: they are algebraic transformations, corresponding to **modular correspondences**. We are going to study these **modular correspondences** in detail, in the following.

Landen transformation.

The **Landen transformation** is the simplest example of such a transformation. Naively one expects simple covariance

$$\Phi\left(\frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k}\right) = \mathcal{A}(k) \cdot \Phi(k),$$

like, for instance, in the simplest example of elliptic function (and modular form ...), namely the (complete elliptic integral) EllipticK function ($2/\pi \cdot K(k) = {}_2F_1([\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}], [1], k^2)$):

$$K\left(\frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k}\right) = (1+k) \cdot K(k).$$

With $\tilde{\chi}^{(2)}$ we see that we have a “slight” generalization of these automorphy relations (**derivative** of modular form).

Modular forms

The Ising model seems to be nothing but the theory of **elliptic curves** and other modular forms, and also **derivatives** of modular forms, **what else ?**

Let us focus on **modular forms**, modular curves, modular equations, **modular correspondences**.

We need to understand modular forms, modular correspondences.

Modular Forms. Crash course.

Let us consider the second order linear differential operator

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} + \frac{(t^2 + 56t + 1024)}{t \cdot (t + 16)(t + 64)} \cdot \frac{d}{dt} - \frac{240}{t \cdot (t + 16)^2(t + 64)}.$$

which has the (**modular form**) solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \frac{t}{(t + 16)^3}\right) \\ &= 2 \cdot \left(\frac{t + 256}{t + 16}\right)^{-1/4} \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \frac{t^2}{(t + 256)^3}\right). \end{aligned}$$

This looks like **one** identity: in fact it is an **infinite number of identities**.

Fundamental modular curve. Symmetry $x \longrightarrow y = y(x)$.

The **two pull-backs** in the previous modular form

$$x = \frac{t}{(t+16)^3}, \quad y = \frac{t^2}{(t+256)^3} = x\left(\frac{2^{12}}{t}\right),$$

are related by a simple *involution* $t \longleftrightarrow 2^{12}/t$, and correspond to a *rational parametrization* of the (fundamental) **modular curve** $P_2(x, y) = P_2(y, x) = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} &157464000000000 \cdot x^3 y^3 - 8748000000 \cdot x^2 y^2 \cdot (x + y) \\ &+ 10125 \cdot x y \cdot (16 x^2 - 4027 x y + 16 y^2) \\ &- (x + y) \cdot (x^2 + 1487 x y + y^2) + x y = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Modular Forms. Crash course.

$$\begin{aligned} {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 y\right) \\ = \mathcal{A}(x) \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 x\right) \end{aligned}$$

This looks like **one** identity: in fact it is an **infinite number of identities**. $x \longrightarrow y(x) \longrightarrow y(y(x)) \longrightarrow \dots$

Let us introduce **another** *rational parametrization* where the elliptic function parametrization of the Ising (resp. Baxter model) plays a crucial role, thus underlining the **Landen transformation** as an **exact generator of the renormalization group**.

Isogenies, Landen transformations, modular curve.

We will denote k the modulus of the elliptic functions in the parametrization of the Ising (resp. Baxter model), and $j(k)$ the **j -invariant** of the corresponding elliptic curve.

The previous modular curve has **another rational parametrization**

$$x = \frac{1}{j(k)}, \quad y = \frac{1}{j(k_L)} \quad \text{where} \quad k_L = \frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k}$$

$$j(k) = 256 \cdot \frac{(1 - k^2 + k^4)^3}{(1 - k^2)^2 \cdot k^4}, \quad j\left(\frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k}\right) = 16 \cdot \frac{(1 + 14k^2 + k^4)^3}{(1 - k^2)^4 \cdot k^2}$$

These two *rational parametrizations* are actually related by the following change of variables:

$$t = 256 \cdot \frac{k^2}{(k^2 - 1)^2} \quad \text{or:} \quad 16 \cdot \frac{(k^2 - 1)^2}{k^2} \quad \text{i.e.:} \quad k \rightarrow \frac{1 - k}{1 + k}$$

Isogenies, Landen transformations, Modular curve.

The **modular curve** is thus an **algebraic representation** of the **Landen transformation** $k \rightarrow 2\sqrt{k}/(1+k)$, and in the same time, since this curve is $x \leftrightarrow y$ symmetric, of its **compositional inverse**, the **inverse Landen transformation**. The algebraic function $y = y(x)$ is a “**multivalued function**”, but we can single out the **series expansions**:

$$y_2 = x^2 + 1488x^3 + 2053632x^4 + 2859950080x^5 + \dots$$

and its **compositional inverse** series (with $\omega^2 = 1$):

$$y_{1/2} = \omega \cdot x^{1/2} - 744 \cdot x^{2/2} + 357024 \cdot \omega \cdot x^{3/2} + \dots$$

More correspondences.

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \frac{t}{(t+27) \cdot (t+3)^3}\right) \\ &= A(t) \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \frac{t^3}{(t+27) \cdot (t+243)^3}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where $A(t)$ is an involved algebraic function. The elimination of t between the two pullbacks

$$x = \frac{t}{(t+27) \cdot (t+3)^3}, \quad y = \frac{t^3}{(t+27) \cdot (t+243)^3} = x\left(\frac{3^6}{t}\right),$$

gives **another modular curve** $P_3(x, y) = P_3(y, x) = 0$

$$y_3 = x^3 + 2232x^4 + 3911868x^5 + 6380013816x^6 + \dots$$

and its **compositional inverse** series (with $\omega^3 = 1$):

$$y_{1/3}(\omega, x) = \omega \cdot x^{1/3} - 744 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot x^{2/3} + 356652 \cdot x^{3/3} + \dots$$

More generally: N prime.

Another example:

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \frac{t}{(t^2 + 10t + 5)^3}\right) \\ &= A(t) \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \frac{t^5}{(t^2 + 250t + 3125)^3}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where $A(t)$ is an involved algebraic function.

More generally, we have an **infinite number of modular curves**

$P_N(x, y) = P_N(y, x) = 0$ with modular correspondences

$x \longrightarrow y(x)$:

$$y = x^N + \dots \quad \text{and:} \quad y = x^{1/N} + \dots$$

In the nome this just amount to writing $q \longrightarrow q^N$ and

$q \longrightarrow \omega \cdot q^{1/N}$ with $\omega^N = 1$.

N not prime: $N = 4$.

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \frac{t \cdot (t+16)}{(t^2 + 16t + 16)^3}\right) \\ &= A(t) \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \frac{t^4 \cdot (t+16)}{(t^2 + 256t + 4096)^3}\right), \end{aligned}$$

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$$y_4 = x^4 + 2975x^5 + 6322896x^6 + 118381511424x^7 + \dots$$

and its **compositional inverse** series (with $\omega^4 = 1$):

$$y_{1/4}(\omega, x) = \omega \cdot x^{1/4} - 744 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot x^{2/4} + 356652 \cdot x^{3/4} + \dots$$

and also the (involutive series):

$$y_1 = -x - 1488x^2 - 2214144x^3 - 3337633792x^4 + \dots$$

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N not prime: $N = 4$ as composition of $N = 2$

The modular curve $P_4(x, y) = P_4(y, x) = 0$ can be obtained “composing” the modular curve $P_2(x, y) = P_2(y, x) = 0$ with itself. Composition of algebraic functions is a “slippery terrain” (taking resultant), but there is no problem **composing the algebraic series** solutions of the modular curve

$$P_2(x, y) = P_2(y, x) = 0:$$

$$y_2 = x^2 + 1488x^3 + 2053632x^4 + 2859950080x^5 + \dots$$

and its **compositional inverse** series (with $\omega^2 = 1$):

$$y_{1/2} = \omega \cdot x^{1/2} - 744 \cdot x^{2/2} + 357024 \cdot \omega \cdot x^{3/2} + \dots$$

One can see that $y_4(x) = y_2(y_2(x))$, $y_{1/4}(x) = y_{1/2}(y_{1/2}(x))$ and

$$y_1(x) = y_{1/2}(y_2(x)), \quad y_2(y_{1/2}(x)) = x.$$

Simple covariance: modular form.

Revisiting the previous ${}_2F_1$ identities, corresponding to **modular correspondence** series, one can write:

$${}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728y\right) = \mathcal{A}(x) \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728x\right),$$

where $\mathcal{A}(x)$ is an *algebraic function*. The relation $P(y, x) = 0$ is one of the previous **modular equations**. Introducing

$$F(x) = x \cdot (1 - 1728 \cdot x)^{1/2} \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \cdot x\right)^2,$$

the previous covariance relation on ${}_2F_1$ can, in fact, be written

$$\lambda \cdot F(y) = F(x) \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \text{or:} \quad \lambda \cdot \frac{dx}{F(x)} = \frac{dy}{F(y)}.$$

Modular form: Schwarzian condition.

Eliminating $\mathcal{A}(x)$ (on the corresp. ODE's) one gets the following **Schwarzian differentially algebraic equation** condition:

$$W(x) - W(y(x)) \cdot y'(x)^2 + \{y(x), x\} = 0,$$

where $W(x)$ is the **rational function**:

$$\frac{F''(x)}{F(x)} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{F'(x)}{F(x)} \right)^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - 1968x + 2654208x^2}{x^2 \cdot (1 - 1728x)^2},$$

and where $\{y(x), x\}$ denotes the **Schwarzian derivative**:

$$\{y(x), x\} = \frac{y'''(x)}{y'(x)} - \frac{3}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{y''(x)}{y'(x)} \right)^2$$

This non-trivial condition coincides exactly with one of the conditions G. Casale obtained in a classification of **Malgrange's \mathcal{D} -envelope** and **\mathcal{D} -groupoids** on \mathbb{P}_1 .

The Schwarzian equation **encapsulates all the modular equations of the theory of elliptic curves: the infinite number of correspondences, $x \rightarrow x^n + \dots$, are actually solutions of the same Schwarzian equation.**

Are the solutions of the Schwarzian equations **only** modular correspondences ?

Beyond the modular correspondence $x \rightarrow x^n + \dots$, a one-parameter series. **Replicable functions.**

A **one-parameter** series is actually solution of the previous Schwarzian equation:

$$\begin{aligned} y(a, x) = & a \cdot x - 744 \cdot a \cdot (a-1) \cdot x^2 \\ & + 36 \cdot a \cdot (a-1) \cdot (9907a - 20845) \cdot x^3 \\ & - 32 \cdot a \cdot (a-1) \cdot (4386286a^2 - 20490191a + 27274051) \cdot x^4 \\ & + 6 \cdot a \cdot (a-1) \cdot (8222780365a^3 - 61396351027a^2 \\ & + 171132906629a - 183775457147) \cdot x^5 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

We have a one-parameter family of **commuting** series:

$$y\left(a, y(a', x)\right) = y(a a', x).$$

This one-parameter series is (at first sight ...) a bit “mysterious” ...

In the $a \rightarrow 0$ limit

$$\tilde{Q}(x) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{y(a, x)}{a} = x + 744x^2 + 750420x^3 + 872769632x^4 + 1102652742882x^5 + \dots$$

In the $a \rightarrow \infty$ limit

$$\tilde{X} = \lim_{a \rightarrow \infty} y\left(a, \frac{x}{a}\right) = x - 744x^2 + 356652x^3 - 140361152x^4 + 49336682190x^5 + \dots$$

$$y(a, x) = \tilde{X}\left(a \cdot \tilde{Q}(x)\right) \quad \text{or:} \quad \tilde{Q}\left(y(a, x)\right) = a \cdot \tilde{Q}(x).$$

Since $y(1, x) = x$, one deduces that \tilde{X} **must be the compositional inverse** of \tilde{Q} . \tilde{X} and \tilde{Q} are **differentially algebraic**: they are also solutions of some **Schwarzian** equations.

Similarly the two previous algebraic series, y_2 and $y_{1/2}$, can be written respectively ($\omega^2 = 1$):

$$\tilde{X}\left(\tilde{Q}(x)^2\right) \quad \text{and:} \quad \tilde{X}\left(\omega \cdot \tilde{Q}(x)^{1/2}\right).$$

In other words $q \longrightarrow q^2, \quad q \longrightarrow q^{1/2}.$

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \cdot y_2 \cdot (1 - 1728 \cdot y_2)^{1/2} \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \cdot y_2\right)^2 \\ &= x \cdot (1 - 1728 \cdot x)^{1/2} \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 \cdot x\right)^2 \cdot \frac{dy_2}{dx}. \end{aligned}$$

$$2 \cdot F(y_2) = F(x) \cdot \frac{dy_2}{dx}.$$

More generally, for N prime, the **modular correspondence** series read ($\omega^N = 1$):

$$\tilde{X}\left(\tilde{Q}(x)^N\right) \quad \text{and:} \quad \tilde{X}\left(\omega \cdot \tilde{Q}(x)^{1/N}\right).$$

N -th root values of the parameter

Note that $y(a, x)$ for $a^N = 1$ is such that its N -th compositional iterate is the identity. Such a series must be “special”. Let us consider the modular curve Γ_N having $\tilde{X}(\tilde{Q}(x)^N)$ and $\tilde{X}(\omega \cdot \tilde{Q}(x)^{1/N})$ as solution series. In the nome $\tilde{Q}(x)$ Γ_N amounts to writing in the same time $\tilde{Q} \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^N$ and $\tilde{Q} \rightarrow \omega \cdot \tilde{Q}^{1/N}$. Performing the resultant of Γ_N with itself, in order to get Γ_{N^2} , amounts to performing $\tilde{Q} \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^N \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^{N^2}$, $\tilde{Q} \rightarrow \omega \cdot \tilde{Q}^{1/N} \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^{1/N^2}$ **but also**

$$\tilde{Q} \longrightarrow \tilde{Q}^N \longrightarrow \omega \cdot (\tilde{Q}^N)^{1/N},$$

namely $\tilde{Q} \rightarrow \omega \cdot \tilde{Q}$ with $\omega^N = 1$.

N -th root values of the parameter

In other words $y(a, x)$ for $a^N = 1$ is not only a series of order- N with respect to the composition of function, it is an algebraic series, solution of a modular curve: **it is a correspondence**. We thus have an **infinite number of algebraic series** solutions of the Schwarzian equation.

The one-parameter $y(a, x)$ series **encapsulates an infinite number of modular correspondence series**, namely the **infinite number of correspondences**, $x \rightarrow \omega \cdot x + \dots$, $\omega^N = 1$, which are **actually subcases of the one-parameter $y(a, x)$ series**.

Remark: when the parameter “ a ” is an integer $y(a, x)$ is a differentially algebraic series with integer coefficients !!

More generally

In the $a \rightarrow 1$ limit, let us denote $\epsilon = a - 1$. The one-parameter series $y(x) = y(a, x)$ can, thus, be seen as an ϵ -expansion:

$$y(a, x) = x + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \epsilon^n \cdot B_n(x),$$

where $B_1(x) = F(x)$

$$B_2(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot F(x) \cdot \left(\frac{dB_1(x)}{dx} - 1 \right),$$

$$B_3(x) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot F(x) \cdot \left(\frac{dB_2(x)}{dx} - \frac{dB_1(x)}{dx} + 1 \right),$$

$$B_4(x) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot F(x) \cdot \left(\frac{dB_3(x)}{dx} - \frac{dB_2(x)}{dx} + \frac{dB_1(x)}{dx} - 1 \right),$$

More generally.

$$(n+1) \cdot B_{n+1} + n \cdot B_n = F(x) \cdot \frac{dB_n(x)}{dx},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \sum_n B_{n+1} \cdot \epsilon^{n+1}}{\partial \epsilon} + \epsilon \cdot \frac{\partial \sum_n B_n \cdot \epsilon^n}{\partial \epsilon} \\ = F(x) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \sum_n B_n(x) \cdot \epsilon^n}{\partial x} \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$a \cdot \frac{\partial y(a, x)}{\partial a} = F(x) \cdot \frac{\partial y(a, x)}{\partial x}.$$

The series $y(a, x)$ is solution of the Schwarzian equation with:

$$W(x) = \frac{F''(x)}{F(x)} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{F'(x)}{F(x)} \right)^2.$$

This remains valid **for any** function $F(x)$.

Polynomial example

$$F(x) = x \cdot (1 - 373 \cdot x) \cdot (1 - 371 \cdot x).$$

$$W(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - 830298 x^2 + 411827808 x^3 - 57449564067 x^4}{x^2 \cdot (1 - 373 x)^2 \cdot (1 - 371 x)^2}.$$

$$y(a, x) = a \cdot x - 744 \cdot a \cdot (a - 1) \cdot x^2 \\ + \frac{1}{2} \cdot a \cdot (1245455 a - 968689) \cdot (a - 1) \cdot x^3 + \dots$$

$$\tilde{Q}(x) = x \cdot \frac{(1 - 371 x)^{371/2}}{(1 - 373 x)^{373/2}} = \exp\left(\int \frac{dx}{F(x)}\right).$$

$$a \cdot \tilde{Q}(x) = \tilde{Q}(y(a, x)), \quad y(a, x) = \tilde{X}(a \cdot \tilde{Q}(x)).$$

Finding the (simple) **algebraic expressions** of $\tilde{Q}(x)$ and $\tilde{X}(x)$ from large series expansions is quite hard !

Polynomial truncation of the hypergeometric function.

$$F(x) = x - 744x^2 - 393768x^3 = x \cdot (1 - p \cdot x) \cdot (1 - q \cdot x),$$

with:

$$p = 372 + 6 \cdot 14782^{1/2}, \quad q = 372 - 6 \cdot 14782^{1/2},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{Q}(x) = & \frac{x \cdot (1 - p \cdot x)^{p/(q-p)}}{(1 - q \cdot x)^{q/(q-p)}} = x + 744x^2 + 750420x^3 \\ & + 753621408x^4 + 782312864472x^5 + \frac{4097211834177216}{5}x^6 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$\tilde{Q}(x)$ is **D-finite**, but the linear differential operator is **not globally nilpotent** and the series for $\tilde{Q}(x)$ is **not globally bounded**.

With this simple example we see that the **integer character** of the coefficients of the modular correspondence series is **not automatic**.

Differentially algebraic series.

With $y(a, x)$ associated with canonical correspondences, we had an infinite number of **algebraic functions** for $y(a, x)$ with $a^N = 1$, and an **infinite number of differentially algebraic series** with **integer coefficients** for $y(a, x)$ with $a \in \mathbb{Z}$.

The **λ -extensions** of the two-point correlation functions of the square Ising model have very similar properties. These series are solutions of (**sigma-form of**) **Painlevé equations**, they are, thus, **differentially algebraic**. For selected values ($\lambda = \cos(\pi m/n)$, which can also be written as N -th root of unity) these series actually become **algebraic series**, and for integer values of λ we have **differentially algebraic series** with **integer** coefficients.

We thus have the **same remarkable properties** with **different kinds** of differentially algebraic series (Schwarz versus Painlevé, **Replicable functions** versus isomonodromy).

A lot remains to be understood on such selected differentially algebraic series !!

So many people have a defeatist attitude towards non-linear differential equations: they think nothing can be done on non-linear differential equations.

As far as **globally bounded differentially algebraic series** are concerned:
this is defeatist nonsense.



Fourier believed the main goal of Mathematics is being used to the public and explain natural phenomena, but a philosopher like him should know that the only goal of Science is the honor of the human spirit and that a question about numbers is as important as a question about the world system.

Letter of Gustav Jacobi to Adrien-Marie Legendre.

Additional slides to answer the questions the public did not ask.

One finds, more frequently in the literature, the exact expression of the *free-energy* (instead of the partition function) in terms of these three q , x , z variables, namely (see (10.8.47) page 237 in Baxter's book):

$$-\beta f = \ln(c) + Z(q, x, z),$$

where:

$$Z(q, x, z) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x^{2m} - q^m)^2 \left(x^m + \frac{1}{x^m} - z^m - \frac{1}{z^m}\right)}{m x^m (1 - q^{2m}) (1 + x^{2m})}$$

The double infinite product form is more illuminating as far as the symmetries and structures are concerned.

First infinite product \rightarrow elliptic functions.

The other **infinite product** \rightarrow covariance emerging from the inversion relation.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(q) &= \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1 - q^{2n}}{1 + q^{2n}} \right)^2 \\
 &= (1 - k^2)^{1/4} \cdot \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot K(k).
 \end{aligned}$$

The Landen transformation $q \rightarrow q^{1/2}$ amounts to introducing the other eulerian product $F(q^{1/2})$ which reads:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(q^{1/2}) &= \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1 - q^n}{1 + q^n} \right)^2 \\
 &= \left(1 - \left(\frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k} \right)^2 \right)^{1/4} \cdot \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot K\left(\frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{F(q^{1/2})}{F(q)} = (1 - k^2)^{1/4}.$$

The same calculations for the inverse Landen transformation yield

$$\frac{F(q^2)}{F(q)} = \frac{(1 - k)^{1/2} + (1 + k)^{1/2}}{2 \cdot (1 - k^2)^{1/8}}.$$

D-finite polarization.

The expression of the **polarization** of the Baxter model, can be written in terms of the function $F(q)$:

$$P(q, x) = \frac{F(x)}{F(q^{1/2})}.$$

Recalling that all the ratio $F(q^{1/2})/F(q)$, $F(q^2)/F(q)$ and more generally $F(q^N)/F(q)$, $F(q^{1/N})/F(q)$, $F(q^N)/F(q^M)$, ... are not only **solutions of linear ODEs** but are actually **algebraic functions** (associated with modular curves), one easily sees that the polarization $P(q, x) = F(x)/F(q^{1/2})$, is an algebraic function, not only in the Ising case $q = x^4$, but more generally when q and x are **“commensurate”** namely, there exist two positive integers N and M such that:

$$x^N = q^M.$$

Remark on D -finite functions.

$$\ln(Z_{red}) = {}_4F_3\left([1, 1, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}], [2, 2, 2], x\right),$$

is D -finite. **Its exponential is also D -finite** (the exponential function $\exp(x)$ is D -finite and the **composition** of two D -finite **is D -finite**). For instance, the function $Z = \exp(\ln(Z_{red}))$ is actually solution of an order-four linear differential operator $L_4 = L_2 \cdot (\theta + 2) \cdot (\theta + 2)$, where $\theta = x \cdot \frac{d}{dx}$ is the *homogeneous derivative*, and where the order-two linear differential operator L_2 has the ${}_2F_1$ hypergeometric solution:

$$\text{Sol}(L_2) = {}_2F_1\left([\frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}], [3], x\right).$$

Definition of the diagonal of series of several complex variables

Definition:

$$\mathcal{F}(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) = \sum_{m_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m_2=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_n=0}^{\infty} F_{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n} \cdot z_1^{m_1} z_2^{m_2} \cdots z_n^{m_n},$$

$$\text{Diag}\left(\mathcal{F}(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n)\right) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} F_{m, m, \dots, m} \cdot z^m.$$

Extracting the diagonal terms is like extracting the constant terms in a Laurent/Taylor series. This amounts to residue calculations in several variables:

$$\longrightarrow \int_C \cdots \int_C \mathcal{R}(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n; t) \cdot \frac{dz_1}{z_1} \cdot \frac{dz_2}{z_2} \cdots \frac{dz_n}{z_n}$$

The result: if the **algebraic, or rational, integrand** of a n -fold integral has a **multi-Taylor expansion**, then this n -fold integral **is the diagonal of a rational function**.

Two by-products: Diagonal of rational functions are (or can be recast into) series with **integer coefficients**, which **actually reduce modulo any prime to algebraic functions !!**

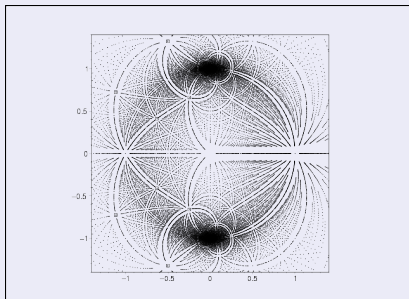
Lattice Green functions are obviously diagonal of rational functions and, thus, are D -finite.

Let us introduce the complex variables $z_j = \exp(2i\pi \cdot q_j)$. The lattice Green function can be rewritten

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int \cdots \int R(c_1, c_2, \cdots, c_n; t) \cdot dq_1 \cdot dq_2 \cdots dq_n \\ & \longrightarrow \int_C \cdots \int_C \mathcal{R}(z_1, z_2, \cdots, z_n; t) \cdot \frac{dz_1}{z_1} \cdot \frac{dz_2}{z_2} \cdots \frac{dz_n}{z_n} \end{aligned}$$

where it is crystal clear that the lattice Green function is a **diagonal of a rational function**, and thus is D -finite, solution of a linear differential operator with polynomial coefficients (in t).

Accumulation of the singularities of the linear ODEs for the $\chi^{(n)}$ in the k complex plane



the **full susceptibility** is clearly a quite involved function !

Remark: for a holonomic function, there is a difference between the **singularities of that function**, and the **singularities of the linear differential operator** annihilating the function !!

But this is another story ...

Is the full susceptibility of the Ising model differentially algebraic ?

We also considered the full susceptibility of the square Ising model, in order to see if it could be **differentially algebraic**:

Automata and the susceptibility of the square lattice Ising model modulo powers of primes, A.J. Guttmann and JMM, 2015 J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 48 474001

Lacunary series mod. 32, 64 and thus reduce to algebraic series mod. 2^5 , 2^6 : $L(u^2) + u = L(u) \longrightarrow L(u)^2 + u = L(u)$.

$$L(u) = 1 + u + u^2 + u^4 + u^8 + u^{16} + u^{32} + u^{64} + u^{128} \\ + u^{256} + u^{512} + u^{1024} + \dots$$

More generally, the full susceptibility series **reduces to algebraic series mod. 2^r** .

However the full susceptibility series does not seem to reduce to algebraic series modulo other integers. We have **only some** properties of the diagonal of rational functions.

Modular form, Eisenstein series

$$E_4 = 1 + 240 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^3 \cdot \frac{q(\tau)^n}{1 - q(\tau)^n} = {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], \frac{1728}{j(\tau)}\right)^4$$

In terms of k the modulus of the elliptic functions, the E_4 **Eisenstein series** can also be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], \frac{27}{4} \frac{k^4 \cdot (1 - k^2)^2}{(k^4 - k^2 + 1)^3}\right)^4 \\ &= (1 - k^2 + k^4) \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right], [1], k^2\right)^4. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_6 &= (1 + k^2) \cdot (1 - 2k^2) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{k^2}{2}\right) \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right], [1], k^2\right)^6 \\ &= (1 + k^2) \cdot (1 - 2k^2) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{k^2}{2}\right) \\ &\quad \times (1 - k^2 + k^4)^{-3/2} \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], \frac{27}{4} \frac{k^4 \cdot (1 - k^2)^2}{(k^4 - k^2 + 1)^3}\right)^6. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right], [1], 16\ x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}\right], [1], 36\ x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right], [1], 27\ x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right], [1], 27\ x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}\right], [1], 432\ x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}\right], [1], 108\ x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}\right], [1], 108\ x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}\right], [1], 432\ x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{6}, \frac{5}{6}\right], [1], 432\ x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right], [1], 64\ x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right], [1], 32\ x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right], [1], 64\ x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{8}, \frac{3}{8}\right], [1], 256\ x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{8}, \frac{5}{8}\right], [1], 256\ x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{3}{8}, \frac{7}{8}\right], [1], 256\ x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{6}\right], [1], 108\ x\right),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{5}{6}\right], [1], 108 x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}\right], [1], 32 x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}\right], [1], 64 x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{5}{8}, \frac{7}{8}\right], [1], 256 x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right], [1], 27 x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{6}\right], [1], 432 x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{6}\right], [1], 144 x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}\right], [1], 36 x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{7}{12}\right], [1], 1728 x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{12}, \frac{5}{12}\right], [1], 1728 x\right), \\
& {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{5}{12}, \frac{11}{12}\right], [1], 1728 x\right), \quad {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{7}{12}, \frac{11}{12}\right], [1], 1728 x\right).
\end{aligned}$$

A pedagogical example of diagonal of rational functions.

Let us consider the **rational function of three complex variables** $\mathcal{F} = 1/(1 - z_2 - z_3 - z_1 z_2 - z_1 z_3)$. Its diagonal reads:

$$1 + 4z + 36z^2 + 400z^3 + 4900z^4 + 63504z^5 + \dots$$

which is nothing but the **complete elliptic integral** (first kind):

$$\sum_{m \geq 0} \binom{2m}{m}^2 \cdot z^m = {}_2F_1\left(\left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right], [1], 16z\right)$$

This diagonal **modulo any prime** reduces to an **algebraic function**, for instance:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Diag}(\mathcal{F}) \mod 7 &= \\ &= 1 + 4z + z^2 + z^3 + 4z^7 + 2z^8 + 4z^9 + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt[6]{1 + 4z + z^2 + z^3}} \mod 7. \end{aligned}$$

Another example of diagonal of rational functions.

A less obvious example corresponds to the **modular form**:

$$\left(\frac{1}{1 - z_1 - z_2 - z_3 - z_1 z_2 - z_2 z_3 - z_3 z_1 - z_1 z_2 z_3} \right) \\ = \frac{1}{1 - z} \cdot {}_2F_1 \left(\left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right], [1]; \frac{54z}{(1 - z)^3} \right).$$

Such **diagonals of rational functions** are **highly selected functions**: modulo **any prime** they reduce to **algebraic functions**.

They can be seen as the **simplest (transcendental) generalisations of algebraic functions**.

The integrands of the $\chi^{(n)}$ n -fold integral of the Ising model have a **multi-Taylor expansion** and are, thus, **diagonals of a rational function**.

Ising n -fold integrals : $\chi^{(5)}$

The five-particle contribution $\tilde{\chi}^{(5)}$ of the susceptibility of the Ising model is solution of an order-33 linear differential operator which has a **direct-sum** factorization (DFactorLCLM in Maple): the selected linear combination

$$\tilde{\chi}^{(5)} - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\chi}^{(3)} + \frac{1}{120} \tilde{\chi}^{(1)},$$

is solution of an order-29 (globally nilpotent) linear differential operator

$$L_{29} = L_5 \cdot L_{12} \cdot \tilde{L}_1 \cdot L_{11},$$

where:

$$L_{11} = (Z_2 \cdot N_1) \oplus V_2 \oplus (F_3 \cdot F_2 \cdot L_1^s).$$

Ising n -fold integrals : $\chi^{(6)}$

Similarly $\tilde{\chi}^{(6)}$ is solution of an order-52 linear differential operator which has a **direct-sum** factorization: the selected linear combination

$$\tilde{\chi}^{(6)} - \frac{2}{3}\tilde{\chi}^{(4)} + \frac{2}{45}\tilde{\chi}^{(2)},$$

is solution of an order-46 (globally nilpotent) linear differential operator

$$L_{46} = L_6 \cdot L_{23} \cdot L_{17},$$

where:

$$L_{17} = \tilde{L}_5 \oplus L_3 \oplus (L_4 \cdot \tilde{L}_3 \cdot L_2),$$
$$\tilde{L}_5 = \left(\frac{d}{dx} - \frac{1}{x} \right) \oplus \left(L_{1,3} \cdot (L_{1,2} \oplus L_{1,1} \oplus D_x) \right).$$

The “Quarks” in $\chi^{(5)}$ and $\chi^{(6)}$

Quasi-trivial order-one (globally nilpotent) linear differential operators: $\tilde{L}_1, N_1, L_1^s, L_{1,n} \longrightarrow D_x - \frac{1}{N} \cdot \frac{d \ln(R(x))}{dx}$

V_2, L_2, L_3, L_5 and L_6 are respectively equivalent (homomorphic) to L_K , to the symmetric square of L_K and to the *symmetric fourth and fifth power* of L_K , where L_K is the second order linear differential operator annihilating the **complete elliptic integral** $K = {}_2F_1([1/2, 1/2], [1], k^2)$.

F_2, F_3, \tilde{L}_3 do correspond to **modular forms**: F_3 and \tilde{L}_3 are homomorphic to the symmetric square of order-two operators associated with the (fundamental) **modular curve** $X_0(2)$, and F_2 is related to Z_2 (and thus h_6 , Apéry, ...).

Remains to understand the “very nature” of:

L_4 and: L_{12}, L_{23}

L_4 is a Hadamard product of two elliptic curves:

it is a **Calabi-Yau operator** !

Seeking for ${}_4F_3$ hypergeometric functions up to homomorphisms, and assuming an **algebraic pull-back** with the *square root extension*, $(1 - 16 \cdot w^2)^{1/2}$, we actually found that the solution of L_4 can be expressed in terms of a selected ${}_4F_3$

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_4F_3\left([1/2, 1/2, 1/2, 1/2], [1, 1, 1]; z\right) \\ &= {}_2F_1\left([1/2, 1/2], [1]; z\right) \star {}_2F_1\left([1/2, 1/2], [1]; z\right), \end{aligned}$$

where:
$$z = \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - 16 \cdot w^2}}{1 - \sqrt{1 - 16 \cdot w^2}} \right)^4 = k^4$$

where the pull-back z is *nothing but* the fourth power of the **modulus** k of the elliptic functions !

The $\chi^{(n)}$'s are diagonal of rational functions.

Let us consider the series of $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}/8/w^9$

$$1 + 36w^2 + 4w^3 + 884w^{13} + 196w^5 + 18532w^6 + \dots$$

Let us now consider this very series **modulo the prime** $p = 2$. It reads the **lacunary** series

$$1 + w^8 + w^{24} + w^{56} + w^{120} + w^{248} + w^{504} + w^{1016} + \dots,$$

In fact, *modulo the prime* $p = 2$, $H(w) = \tilde{\chi}^{(3)}/8$ is, actually, an **algebraic function**, solution of the quadratic equation:

$$H(w)^2 + w \cdot H(w) + w^{10} = 0 \quad \text{mod } 2.$$

Modulo $p = 3$. Indeed, $H(w)$ satisfies a polynomial equation of degree nine (the p_n are polynomials of degree less than 63):

$$p_9 \cdot H(w)^9 + w^6 \cdot p_3 \cdot H(w)^3 + w^{10} \cdot p_1 \cdot H(w) + p_0.$$

Elimination of the automorphic prefactor $\mathcal{A}(x)$

$$\mathcal{A}(x) \cdot {}_2F_1\left([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], x\right) = {}_2F_1\left([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], y(x)\right),$$

The Gauss hypergeometric function ${}_2F_1([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], x)$ is solution of the second order linear differential operator of wronskian $w(x)$:

$$\Omega = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + A(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} + B(x), \quad B(x) = \frac{\alpha \beta}{x \cdot (x - 1)},$$
$$A(x) = \frac{(\alpha + \beta + 1) \cdot x - \gamma}{x \cdot (x - 1)} = -\frac{w'(x)}{w(x)},$$

A straightforward calculation gives the algebraic function $\mathcal{A}(x)$ in terms of the **algebraic function pullback** $y(x)$:

$$\mathcal{A}(x) = \left(\frac{w(y(x))}{w(x)} \cdot y'(x) \right)^{-1/2}$$

The set of solutions of the Schwarzian condition has a closure property for composition of functions

$$\mathcal{A}(x) \cdot {}_2F_1\left([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], x\right) = {}_2F_1\left([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], y(x)\right),$$

$$\mathcal{B}(x) \cdot {}_2F_1\left([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], x\right) = {}_2F_1\left([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], z(x)\right),$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{B}(y(x)) \cdot {}_2F_1\left([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], y(x)\right) &= {}_2F_1\left([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], z(y(x))\right) \\ &= \mathcal{B}(y(x)) \cdot \mathcal{A}(x) \cdot {}_2F_1\left([\alpha, \beta], [\gamma], x\right)\end{aligned}$$

The set of solutions of the Schwarzian condition *must have a closure property for composition of functions*. It works: see the Schwarzian derivative of a composition of function:

$$\{z(y(x)), x\} = \{z(y), y\}_{y=y(x)} \cdot y'(x)^2 + \{y(x), x\}$$

Non-holonomic functions ratio of holonomic functions

Along this line it is fundamental to recall that the **ratio** (not the product !) of **two holonomic** functions is **non-holonomic**

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + R(x) \cdot y = 0, \quad \tau(x) = \frac{y_1}{y_2}, \quad \{\tau(x), x\} = 2 R(x).$$

The **Chazy III equation** is a third-order **non-linear** differential equation (it can also be rewritten using a **Schwarzian derivative**) that has a **natural boundary** for its solutions:

$$\frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} = 2 y \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} - 3 \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2.$$

It has the **quasi-modular form** Eisenstein series E_2 has a solution

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\Delta'}{\Delta} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot E_2$$

where Δ is a selected holonomic function: a **modular form**.

Schwarzian derivative and **natural boundary**

It can be rewritten in terms of a **Schwarzian derivative**:

$$f^{(4)} = 2 f'^2 \cdot \{f, x\} = 2 f' f''' - 3 f''^2 \quad \text{with: } y = \frac{df}{dx}.$$

It was introduced by Jean Chazy (1909, 1911) as an example of a third-order differential equation with a movable singularity that has a **natural boundary** for its solutions. It is also worth recalling the **Halphen-Ramanujan differential system**:

$$P' = \frac{P^2 - Q}{12}, \quad Q' = \frac{PQ - R}{3}, \quad R' = \frac{PR - Q^2}{2},$$

where $P = E_2$, $Q = E_4$, $R = E_6$ and X' denotes here the homogeneous derivative $q \cdot \frac{dX}{dq}$, and E_n the Eisenstein series.

