On the Resurgent WKB Analysis

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Exact WKB method and Parametric Resurgence A. Voros 1983, J. Écalle 1984, 1994 Delabaere-Dillinger-Pham DDP 1993

Kawai-Takei 2005, T. Koike

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Gaiotto-Moore-Neitzke 2008, Kontsevich-Soibelman 2008, Pasquetti-Schiappa 2010, Garoufalidis-Its-Kapaev-Mariño 2012, Iwaki-Nakanishi 2014, Ito-Mariño-Shu 2019

Our aim: explain where resurgence comes from, using Ecalle's inductive construction of elementary non-trivial resurgent functions, for which "mould formalism" is particularly efficient.

- Ecalle's moulds help elucidate the resurgent structure
- they help establish the bridge equations behind the Stokes automorphisms and the DDP formula
- they also induce recursive constructions of *n*-point correlation functions in the spirit of other recursions.

$$-\frac{\mathrm{d}^2\psi}{\mathrm{d}x^2} = \eta^2 Q(x)\psi \tag{SE}$$

originates with quantum mechanics: $\eta = 1/\hbar$ (or a complex variable $\sim \infty$) $Q(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]$ "energy – potential" (or $Q = Q_0(x) + \eta^{-1}Q_1(x) + \cdots$). Data: a meromorphic quadratic differential $Q(x)dx^2$ on \mathbb{P}^1 , regular on $\mathring{\mathbb{C}} := \mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{x_1, \ldots, x_M, \infty\}$ where x_j 's = turning points = zeroes of Q. Complex curve $\mathring{\mathbb{C}}_2 := \{(x, p) \in \mathring{\mathbb{C}} \times \mathbb{C}^* \mid p^2 = Q(x)\}$, double cover of $\mathring{\mathbb{C}}$ on which $\lambda_0 := p \, dx$ is a square root of $Q(x)dx^2$.

WKB method produces an \hbar -extension of λ_0 : a formal 1-form on \mathbb{C}_2

 $\lambda = \mathcal{P}(x,\eta) \, \mathrm{d}x, \quad \mathcal{P}(x,\eta) = Q^{1/2}(x) + \eta^{-1}\mathcal{P}_1(x) + \eta^{-2}\mathcal{P}_2(x) + \cdots$ ($\mathcal{P}\mathrm{d}x$ invariant by change of coordinates, coeff. uniquely determined and holomorphic on $\mathring{\mathbb{C}}_2$). [Definition recalled later.]

We want to study $\mathcal{P}(x,\eta)$ and its Borel transform w.r.t. parameter η

$$\mathcal{B}_{\eta \to \xi} \mathcal{P} = \hat{\mathcal{P}}(x,\xi) = Q^{1/2}(x)\delta(\xi) + \sum_{k \ge 1} \mathcal{P}_k(x)\xi^{k-1}/(k-1)!.$$

Resurgence: convergent for $|\xi|$ small enough and endlessly continuable (isolated singularities).

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WKB formal solutions:

 $\psi^+ = e^{i\eta A(x)} Q^{-1/4}(x) \varphi^+(x,\eta), \quad \psi^- = e^{-i\eta A(x)} Q^{-1/4}(x) \varphi^-(x,\eta)$

with $A(x) = \int_{x_0}^x Q^{1/2}(x') \, \mathrm{d}x'$ multivalued on $\mathring{\mathbb{C}}_2$ and

$$\varphi^{\pm}(x,\eta) = 1 + \eta^{-1}\varphi_0^{\pm}(x) + \eta^{-2}\varphi_1^{\pm}(x) + \cdots$$

multivalued and determined up to a multiplicative x-independent factor. We'll be interested in the Borel transforms w.r.t. parameter η

$$\mathcal{B}_{\eta \to \xi} \varphi^{\pm} = \hat{\varphi}^{\pm}(x,\xi) = \delta(\xi) + \sum_{k \ge 0} \varphi_k^{\pm}(x) \xi^k / k!$$

at least for certain choices of normalization.

Resurgence: convergent for $|\xi|$ small enough and endlessly continuable (isolated singularities).

Simplest example: one turning point of multiplicity *m* and nothing else

$$Q(x) = c^2 x^m$$

(TP at $x_1 = 0$, pole at $x_{\infty} = \infty$). Then one finds

$$\psi^{\pm} = \mathrm{e}^{\pm \mathrm{i} \eta A(x)} Q^{-1/4}(x) \, \varphi^{\pm}(x,\eta)$$

with $A(x) = c x^{\frac{m+2}{2}}$ (choosing $x_0 = 0$), $Q^{-1/4}(x) = c^{-1/2} x^{-m/4}$, and

$$\mathcal{B}[\eta^{-\mu-1}\varphi^+] = \frac{\xi^{\mu}}{\Gamma(\mu+1)} \left(1 - \frac{\xi}{2\mathrm{i}A(x)}\right)^{\mu}, \quad \mathcal{B}[\eta^{-\mu-1}\varphi^-] = \frac{\xi^{\mu}}{\Gamma(\mu+1)} \left(1 + \frac{\xi}{2\mathrm{i}A(x)}\right)^{\mu}$$

with $\mu := -\frac{1}{2} \frac{m}{m+2}$.

Resurgence: The singularity of $\mathcal{B}\varphi^+$ at $\xi = 2iA(x)$ is proportional to $\mathcal{B}\varphi^-$ and vice-versa *[blackboard]*.

Exercise in alien calculus:

$$\Delta_{2iA(x)}\varphi^{+} = 2i\sin(\pi\mu)\varphi^{-}, \quad \Delta_{-2iA(x)}\varphi^{-} = 2i\sin(\pi\mu)\varphi^{+}.$$

[Ecalle 1981, Vol. 2]

Airy $m = 1 \rightsquigarrow$ Stokes const S = -i. Harm. osc. $m = 2 \rightsquigarrow S = -i\sqrt{2}$.

Associated Riccati equation

Set
$$P = \frac{1}{i\eta}\partial_x \log \psi$$
. Since $i\eta P = \frac{\partial_x \psi}{\psi} \Rightarrow i\eta \partial_x P = \frac{\partial_x^2 \psi}{\psi} - (i\eta)^2 P^2$,
 $\frac{\partial_x^2 \psi}{\psi} = (i\eta)^2 Q$ (SE) $\iff P^2 = Q(x) + i\eta^{-1}\partial_x P$ (RE)

There are only two formal solutions, $P_{+}(x,\eta)$ and $P_{-}(x,\eta) = P_{+}(x^{*},\eta)$ $P_{\pm}(x,\eta) = \pm Q^{1/2}(x) + \frac{i}{4}\eta^{-1}\partial_{x}\log Q(x) \pm \eta^{-2} \left(\frac{5}{32}\frac{(\partial_{x}Q)^{2}}{Q^{5/2}} - \frac{1}{8}\frac{\partial_{x}^{2}Q}{Q^{3/2}}\right) + \cdots$

from which we recover all WKB formal solutions to (SE):

$$\psi^{\pm} = \mathcal{C}(\eta) \exp\left(\mathrm{i}\eta \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)^{-1} \mathcal{P}_{\pm}\right) = \tilde{\mathcal{C}}(\eta) e^{\pm \mathrm{i}\eta \mathcal{A}(x)} Q^{-1/4} \varphi^{\pm}$$

 $\lambda = \mathcal{P} \, \mathrm{d}x$? Define " \hbar -extended momentum" $\mathcal{P} := \frac{1}{2}(P_+ - P_-)$.

$$P_{\pm} = \pm \mathcal{P} + \frac{1}{2}(P_+ + P_-) = \pm \mathcal{P} - \frac{1}{2i\eta}\partial_x \log \mathcal{P}.$$

Help to handle normalization choices:

The coefficients of P_{\pm} are uniquely determined and holomorphic on $\mathring{\mathbb{C}}_2$, their Puiseux expansions at the x_j 's and at $x_{\infty} = \infty$ do not contain the term $(x - x_j)^{-1}$.

Choice of normalization for ψ^{\pm}

= selection of termwise primitive w.r.t. x for $P_{\pm}(x, \eta)$ = selection of termwise primitive w.r.t. x for $\mathcal{P}(x, \eta)$

$$\mathcal{P} = Q^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{i\eta} \mathcal{Y} \right), \quad \mathcal{Y} = -\frac{1}{i\eta} \left(\frac{5}{32} \frac{(\partial_x Q)^2}{Q^3} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{\partial_x^2 Q}{Q^2} \right) + \cdots$$
$$P_{\pm} = \pm \mathcal{P} - \frac{1}{2i\eta} \partial_x \log \mathcal{P} = \pm Q^{1/2}(x) - \frac{1}{2i\eta} \partial_x \log \mathcal{P} \pm \frac{1}{i\eta} Q^{1/2} \mathcal{Y}$$

" x_j -normalized solution" for $j \in \{1, \ldots, M, \infty\}$:

$$\psi_{j}^{\pm} := \mathrm{e}^{\pm \mathrm{i}\eta \mathcal{A}(x)} \, \mathcal{P}^{-1/2} \exp \left(\pm \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right]_{i}^{-1} (\mathcal{Q}^{1/2} \mathcal{Y}) \right)$$

where $\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right]_{j}^{-1}$ indicates the primitive whose Puiseux expansion at x_{j} does not contain any constant term (equivalently: the average of the primitives \int_{a}^{x} for *a* varying along the positive cycle around x_{j} in $\mathring{\mathbb{C}}_{2}$).

Alternative notation:
$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right]_{j}^{-1}g(x) = \int_{(x)}^{x} g(x') dx'$$

= $\frac{1}{2} \int_{\gamma_{j,x}} g(x') dx'$ if $g(x^*) = -g(x)$.

$$\psi_j^{\pm} = e^{\pm i\eta A(x)} \mathcal{P}^{-1/2} \exp\left(\pm i\eta \int_{(\bar{x}_j)}^x (\lambda - \lambda_0)\right), \quad A(x) = \int_{x_0}^x \lambda_0.$$

Connection between different normalizations: "Voros coefficients"

$$\begin{split} \psi_{k}^{+}(x,\eta) &= \mathrm{e}^{\Pi_{j,k}} \, \psi_{j}^{+}(x,\eta), \quad \psi_{k}^{-}(x,\eta) = \mathrm{e}^{-\Pi_{j,k}} \, \psi_{j}^{-}(x,\eta) \\ \Pi_{j,k}(\eta) &= \int_{(\overline{x}_{j})}^{(\overline{x}_{k})} Q^{1/2} \mathcal{Y} = \frac{\mathrm{i}\eta}{2} \int_{\gamma_{j,k}} (\lambda - \lambda_{0}) \text{ quantum period} \\ \Pi_{j,k}(\eta) &= \Pi_{k}(\eta) - \Pi_{j}(\eta), \quad \Pi_{j}(\eta) = \mathrm{i}\eta \int_{x_{0}}^{(\overline{x})} (\lambda - \lambda_{0}). \end{split}$$

For the x_{∞} -normalization, in view of the decay at ∞ of the coefficients of $Q^{1/2}\mathcal{Y}$, one can replace $\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right]_{\infty}^{-1}$ with usual $\int_{x_{\infty}}^{x}$.

$$P_{\pm} = \pm Q^{1/2}(x) - \frac{1}{4i\eta} \partial_x \log Q(x) + \frac{1}{i\eta} Q^{1/2} Y_{\pm}$$

defines $Y_{\pm} = \eta^{-1} Y_0^{\pm}(x) + \eta^{-2} Y_1^{\pm}(x) + \cdots$

One gets $\mathcal{Y} = \frac{1}{2}(Y_+ - Y_-)$ and

$$\psi_{\infty}^{\pm} = \mathrm{e}^{\pm \mathrm{i}\eta A(\mathrm{x})} Q^{-1/4} \varphi_{\infty}^{\pm}, \quad \varphi_{\infty}^{\pm} = \exp \int_{\infty}^{\mathrm{x}} Q^{1/2} Y_{\pm}.$$

 φ^+_∞ and φ^-_∞ are characterized by the vanishing at ∞ of all coefficients except the 0^{\rm th} one.

$$Y_\pm = {\cal Q}^{-1/2} \partial_x \log arphi_\infty^\pm$$

Why are Y_{\pm} and the φ_j^{\pm} 's resurgent? Why is φ_{∞}^{\pm} resurgent?

We define a vector field ∂ on $\mathring{\mathbb{C}}_2$ by the formula

$$\partial := Q(x)^{-1/2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

(dual to the square root of the quadratic differential $Q(x)dx^2$). This way, under the change $\psi^{\pm} = e^{\pm i\eta A(x)}Q^{-1/4}\varphi^{\pm}$, (SE) becomes

$$\partial^2 \varphi^{\pm} \pm 2i\eta \,\partial \varphi^{\pm} = K \varphi^{\pm} \tag{SE'}$$

with notation $H := \partial \log Q^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial_x Q}{Q^{3/2}}$ and $K := \frac{1}{2} \partial H + \frac{1}{4} H^2$.

Correspondingly, under $P_{\pm} = \pm Q^{1/2}(x) - \frac{1}{4i\eta}\partial_x \log Q(x) + \frac{1}{i\eta}Q^{1/2}Y_{\pm}$,

$$\partial Y_{\pm} \pm 2i\eta Y_{\pm} = -Y_{\pm}^2 + K \tag{RE'}$$

and $Y_{\pm} = \partial \log \varphi^{\pm}$. The " x_{∞} -normalized solution" is $\varphi_{\infty}^{\pm} = \exp(\partial_{\infty}^{-1}Y_{\pm})$, where ∂_{∞}^{-1} denotes the " x_{∞} -based" right inverse to ∂ .

Compute $\varphi^+ = \varphi_{\infty}^+$ and $\chi^+ = \partial \varphi_{\infty}^+$ (note that $Y_+ = \frac{\chi^+}{\psi^+}$) as well as $\varphi^- = \varphi_{\infty}^-$ and $\chi^- = (\partial - 2i\eta)\varphi_{\infty}^-$ (then $Y_- = \frac{\chi^-}{\psi^-} + 2i\eta$) by Neumann series:

$$\partial^2 \varphi^+ + 2i\eta \, \partial \varphi^+ = \mathcal{K} \varphi^+ \iff \begin{vmatrix} \partial \varphi^+ &= \chi^+ \\ (\partial + 2i\eta)\chi^+ &= \mathcal{K} \varphi^+ \end{vmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{vmatrix} \varphi^+ &= 1 + \partial_{\infty}^{-1}\chi^+ \\ \chi^+ &= (\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1}\mathcal{K} \varphi^+ \end{vmatrix}$$

with operators acting on $\mathcal{O}(\mathring{\mathbb{C}}_2)[[\eta^{-1}]]$: \mathcal{K} = multiplication operator and

$$(\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1} = \sum_{k \ge 0} (-1)^k (2i\eta)^{-k-1} \partial^k.$$

$$\varphi^+ = \sum_{n \ge 0} \left(\partial_{\infty}^{-1} (\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1} \mathcal{K} \right)^n \mathbf{1}, \quad \chi^+ = \sum_{n \ge 0} \left(\partial + 2i\eta \right)^{-1} \mathcal{K} \left(\partial_{\infty}^{-1} (\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1} \mathcal{K} \right)^n \mathbf{1}$$

Similarly $\varphi^{-} = -2i\eta \sum (\partial - 2i\eta)^{-1} (\partial_{\infty}^{-1} \mathcal{K} (\partial - 2i\eta)^{-1})^{n} \mathbf{1}$

and
$$\chi^{-} = -2i\eta \sum \left(\partial_{\infty}^{-1} \mathcal{K}(\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1}\right)^{n} \mathbf{1}.$$

A series of formal series in η^{-1} , each of which is resurgent.

Counterpart of $(\partial + 2i\varepsilon\eta)^{-1}$ in the Borel plane: when applied to g = g(x) or $G(x, \eta) = \sum g_k(x)\eta^{-k-1}$, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}\big((\partial + 2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon\eta)^{-1}g\big) &= \frac{1}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}\mathcal{B}\big(\sum \big(\frac{-1}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}\big)^k\eta^{-k-1}\partial^kg\big) = \frac{1}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}\sum \frac{1}{k!}\big(\frac{-\xi}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}\big)^k\partial^kg \\ &= \frac{1}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}\exp\big(\frac{-\xi}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}\partial\big)g = g\big(\mathcal{T}^{-\xi/2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}(x)\big),\end{aligned}$$

where $t \mapsto \mathcal{T}^t$ is the time-*t* flow map of ∂ .

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{B}\big((\partial + 2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon\eta)^{-1}G\big) &= \frac{1}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon} \sum \frac{1}{k!} \big(\frac{-\xi}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}\big)^k * \partial^k \hat{G}(x,\xi) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon} \int_0^\xi \exp\big(\frac{-\xi'}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}\partial\big) \hat{G}(x,\xi-\xi') \,\mathrm{d}\xi' \\ &= \frac{1}{2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon} \int_0^\xi \hat{G}\big(\mathcal{T}^{-\xi'/2\mathrm{i}\varepsilon}(x),\xi-\xi'\big) \,\mathrm{d}\xi'. \end{split}$$

CLAIM: $\hat{\varphi}^{\pm}$ and $\hat{\chi}^{\pm}$ are endlessly continuable, with only possible singularities located at $\xi = \omega(x)$ determined by

$$\mathcal{T}^{\mp\omega(x)/2i}(x)\in\{x_1,\ldots,x_M\}.$$

Idea: The vector field $\partial = Q(x)^{-1/2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ is straightened by the Liouville transformation $z = \int_{x_0}^x Q^{1/2}(x') dx' = A(x) \Leftrightarrow x = x(z) = \mathcal{T}^z(x_0).$

$$\mathcal{T}^t(x(z)) = x(z+t).$$

 $z \mapsto \mathcal{T}^{z}(x_{0})$ has periodic-multivalued (!) analytic continuation, singular at $\alpha_{j} := \int_{\Gamma_{j}} \lambda_{0}$ and at the replicas obtained by addition of classical periods $2(\alpha_{k} - \alpha_{j})$. The function K is meromorphic on \mathbb{C} , with poles at the x_{j} 's, hence in coordinate z it has endless analytic continuation with singularities at $\tilde{\alpha} \in \{\alpha_{j} + \sum_{k} 2m_{k}(\alpha_{k} - \alpha_{j})\}$: all the possible values of Aat the TPs. We get $z \mp \omega/2i = \tilde{\alpha}$, i.e.

$$\omega(x) = \pm 2\mathrm{i}(A(x) - \tilde{\alpha}).$$

The condition $\mathcal{T}^{-\omega(x)/2i}(x) \in \{x_1, \dots, x_M\}$ for $\hat{\varphi}^+_{\infty}$ comes from

$$\varphi_{\infty}^{+} = \sum \left(\partial_{\infty}^{-1} (\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1} \mathcal{K} \right)^{n} \mathbf{1}$$

involving $\mathcal{B}((\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1}g) = g(\mathcal{T}^{-\xi/2i}(x))$ and $\mathcal{B}((\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1}G) = \dots$ Similarly $\hat{\varphi}_{\infty}^{-} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{B}(\partial - 2i\eta)^{-1} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{T}^{\omega(x)/2i}(x) \in \{x_{1}, \dots, x_{M}\}$

Next question: What are $\Delta_{2i(A-\alpha_j)}\varphi^+$ and $\Delta_{-2i(A-\alpha_j)}\varphi^-$? $\Delta_{2i(A-\alpha_j)}\varphi_j^+ = S_j \varphi_j^-, \ \Delta_{-2i(A-\alpha_j)}\varphi_j^- = S_j \varphi_j^+$ with $S_j = -2i \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{m_j}{m_j+2}).$ $\varphi_{\infty}^+(x,\eta) = e^{\prod_{j,\infty}(\eta)} \varphi_j^+(x,\eta), \quad \varphi_{\infty}^-(x,\eta) = e^{-\prod_{j,\infty}(\eta)} \varphi_j^-(x,\eta)$ $\Delta_{2i(A-\alpha_j)}\varphi_{\infty}^+ = S_j e^{2\prod_{j,\infty}} \varphi_{\infty}^-, \quad \Delta_{2i(A-\alpha_j)}\varphi_{\infty}^- = S_j e^{-2\prod_{j,\infty}} \varphi_{\infty}^+.$

One also gets formulas for $\Delta_{\pm 2i(A-\alpha_j)} Y_{\pm}...$

Next question: $\Delta_{\omega} e^{\pm 2\Pi_{j,\infty}} =?$ $\omega = 2i(\alpha_k - \alpha_\ell)...$ DDP formula... We stop our comments on resurgence here, to move on to something else. We obtained representations of φ_{∞}^{\pm} and χ^{\pm} as series of elementary non-trivial resurgent series. Can we do the same for $Y_{+} = \frac{\chi^{+}}{\varphi^{+}}$ and $Y_{-} = \frac{\chi^{-}}{\varphi^{-}} + 2i\eta$?

$$\varphi^{+} = \sum \left(\partial_{\infty}^{-1}(\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1}\mathcal{K}\right)^{n} 1 = \sum M^{(-+)^{n}}$$

$$\chi^{+} = \left(\partial + 2i\eta\right)^{-1}\mathcal{K}\sum \left(\partial_{\infty}^{-1}(\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1}\mathcal{K}\right)^{n} 1 = \sum M^{+(-+)^{n}}$$

$$\varphi^{-} = -2i\eta(\partial - 2i\eta)^{-1}\sum \left(\partial_{\infty}^{-1}\mathcal{K}(\partial - 2i\eta)^{-1}\right)^{n} 1 = \sum M^{-(+-)^{n}}$$

$$\chi^{-} = -2i\eta\sum \left(\partial_{\infty}^{-1}\mathcal{K}(\partial + 2i\eta)^{-1}\right)^{n} 1 = \sum M^{(+-)^{n}}$$

with

$$M^{\varnothing} := 1$$
 and $M^{\varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_r} := \left(\partial + 2i\eta(\varepsilon_1 + \cdots + \varepsilon_r)\right)_{\infty}^{-1} \left(b_{\varepsilon_1} M^{\varepsilon_2 \cdots \varepsilon_r}\right)$

where $b_+ = K$ and $b_- = 1$. This defines a "mould" M. Family of series indexed by words $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_r$ on the alphabet $\{+, -\}$. Here, only a slice of mould M: only alternate words...

 $M^{\emptyset} := 1$ and $M^{\varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_r} := (\partial + 2i\eta(\varepsilon_1 + \cdots + \varepsilon_r))^{-1} (b_{\varepsilon_1} M^{\varepsilon_2 \cdots \varepsilon_r})$ where $b_+ = 1$ and $b_- = K$. $\varphi^+ = \sum M^{(-+)^n}, \ \chi^+ = \sum M^{+(-+)^n}, \ \varphi^- = \sum M^{-(+-)^n}, \ \chi^- = \sum M^{(+-)^n}.$ CLAIM: Define $B_+ = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$ and $B_- = -y^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$. Then $Y_{+} = \sum_{i} \beta_{\varepsilon_{1} \cdots \varepsilon_{r}}^{+} M^{\varepsilon_{1} \cdots \varepsilon_{r}}, \quad Y_{-} = \sum_{i} \beta_{\varepsilon_{1} \cdots \varepsilon_{r}}^{-} M^{\varepsilon_{1} \cdots \varepsilon_{r}},$ with $\beta_{\varepsilon_1\cdots\varepsilon_r}^+ = B_{\varepsilon_r}\cdots B_{\varepsilon_1}y$ if $\varepsilon_1 + \cdots + \varepsilon_r = 1$ and 0 else, and $\beta_{\varepsilon_1\cdots\varepsilon_r}^- = (-1)^{r+1}\beta_{(-\varepsilon_1)\cdots(-\varepsilon_r)}^+$ (zero unless $\varepsilon_1 + \cdots + \varepsilon_r = -1$). $B_{\varepsilon_r} \cdots B_{\varepsilon_1}$ is homogeneous of degree $-(\varepsilon_1 + \cdots + \varepsilon_r)$, hence $\beta_{\varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_r}^+ \in \mathbb{Z}$ $\beta_{+}^{+} = 1, \ \beta_{++-}^{+} = -2, \ \beta_{-++}^{+} = \beta_{+-+}^{+} = 0, \text{ etc.}$

Remark: one can check $\sum \beta^+_{(-\varepsilon_1)\cdots(-\varepsilon_r)} M^{\varepsilon_1\cdots\varepsilon_r} = \frac{1}{-2i\eta + Y_-}$.

Explanation: The key point is a certain family of quadratic relations. An R-valued mould on \mathscr{A} is just the collection of values

$$V^{a_1\cdots a_n}=\mathcal{V}_n(a_1,\ldots,a_n)$$

of a sequence of functions $\mathcal{V}_0, \mathcal{V}_1, \ldots$, with $\mathcal{V}_n \colon \mathscr{A}^n \to R$.

Quadratic relations called "symmetrality": $\mathcal{V}_0 = \mathbf{1}_R$ and, for all p, q,

$$\mathcal{V}_{p}(b_{1},\ldots,b_{p})\mathcal{V}_{q}(c_{1},\ldots,c_{q}) = \sum_{\substack{I \subset \{1,\ldots,n\} \\ |I|=p, J := \{1,\ldots,n\} \setminus I \\ \text{the } n-\text{tuple } a \text{ such that} \\ a_{\{I\}} = b \text{ and } a_{\{J\}} = c \\ (\text{with } n := p + q) \end{cases}$$

Example: $\mathcal{V}_n(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \frac{1}{(a_1 + \dots + a_2)(a_2 + \dots + a_r) \cdots a_r}$ with $\mathscr{A} = \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ (or...)

Equivalently: $V^{\emptyset} = 1_R$ and, for all words $b, c, V^b V^c = \sum_{a \in \text{shuffle}(b,c)} V^a$.

Our mould M on $\mathscr{A} = \{+, -\}$ is symmetral (easy proof by induction).

What symmetrality is good for... (SE) was written for φ^+ in the form of a system

$$\begin{aligned} \partial \varphi &= \chi \\ \partial \chi &= -2 \mathrm{i} \eta \chi + \mathcal{K} \varphi \end{aligned}$$

Equivalently, consider $L := \partial - 2i\eta y_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} + b_+ y_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} + b_- y_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1}$ operator acting in $R[[y_1, y_2]]$, where $R := \mathcal{O}(\mathring{\mathbb{C}}_2)[[\eta^{-1}]]$.

Let
$$L_0 := \partial - 2i\eta y_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y_2}$$
, $\bar{B}_+ := y_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial y_2}$, $\bar{B}_- := y_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1}$, so
$$L = L_0 + b_+ \bar{B}_+ + b_- \bar{B}_-.$$

All these are *derivations*. Consider the operator $\Theta := \sum M^{\varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_r} \overline{B}_{\varepsilon_r} \cdots \overline{B}_{\varepsilon_1}.$ The inductive definition of M says that

$$\Theta L = L_0 \Theta.$$

Because *M* is symmetral, Θ is an *automorphism*, thus $\Theta f = f \circ \theta$ with $\theta(y_1, y_2) = (\Theta y_1, \Theta y_2)$. In fact

$$\theta(y_1, y_2) = (y_1 \varphi^+ + y_2 \varphi^-, y_1 \chi^+ + y_2 \chi^-).$$

$$\begin{split} \bar{B}_{+} &= y_{1}\frac{\partial}{\partial y_{2}}, \quad \bar{B}_{-} := y_{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial y_{1}}, \quad \Theta := \sum M^{\varepsilon_{1}\cdots\varepsilon_{r}}\bar{B}_{\varepsilon_{r}}\cdots\bar{B}_{\varepsilon_{1}}, \\ \Theta y_{1} &= y_{1}\varphi^{+} + y_{2}\varphi^{-}, \quad \Theta y_{2} = y_{1}\chi^{+} + y_{2}\chi^{-}. \end{split}$$

Now the general solution to (RE') is

$$Y = \frac{\sigma_+ \chi^+ + \sigma_- \mathrm{e}^{-2\mathrm{i}\eta} \chi^-}{\sigma_+ \varphi^+ + \sigma_- \mathrm{e}^{-2\mathrm{i}\eta} \varphi^-} = \frac{\chi^+ + \sigma \mathrm{e}^{-2\mathrm{i}\eta} \chi^-}{\varphi^+ + \sigma \mathrm{e}^{-2\mathrm{i}\eta} \varphi^-} = \theta_{\mathrm{RE}}(\sigma \mathrm{e}^{-2\mathrm{i}\eta}), \quad \sigma = \frac{\sigma_-}{\sigma_+}$$
$$\theta_{\mathrm{RE}}(y) = \frac{\chi^+ + y \, \chi^-}{\varphi^+ + y \, \varphi^-}, \quad y = \frac{y_2}{y_1}.$$

Because Θ is an automorphism (symmetrality),

$$\theta_{\rm RE}(y) = \frac{\chi^+ + \frac{y_2}{y_1}\chi^-}{\varphi^+ + \frac{y_2}{y_1}\varphi^-} = \frac{\Theta y_2}{\Theta y_1} = \Theta\left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right) = \sum M^{\varepsilon_1\cdots\varepsilon_r} \bar{B}_{\varepsilon_r}\cdots \bar{B}_{\varepsilon_1}\left(\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right).$$

We get $\bar{B}_{+}\left(\frac{y_{2}}{y_{1}}\right) = 1 = B_{+}y$ and $\bar{B}_{-}\left(\frac{y_{2}}{y_{1}}\right) = -\left(\frac{y_{2}}{y_{1}}\right)^{2} = B_{-}y$, and since $B_{\varepsilon_{r}} \cdots B_{\varepsilon_{1}}y = \beta_{\varepsilon} y^{-(\varepsilon_{1}+\cdots+\varepsilon_{r})+1}$, we find $Y_{+} = \theta_{\mathrm{RE}}(0) = \sum M^{\varepsilon_{1}\cdots\varepsilon_{r}}\beta_{\varepsilon}^{+}$. Food for thought... $Y_{\pm} = \sum \beta_{\varepsilon}^{\pm} M^{\varepsilon}$. Recursive definition of $M \sim \infty$

$$M^{\varepsilon} = \left(\partial + 2i\eta(\varepsilon_{1} + \dots + \varepsilon_{r})\right)^{-1} \left(b_{\varepsilon_{1}}\left(\partial + 2i\eta(\varepsilon_{2} + \dots + \varepsilon_{r})\right)^{-1} \left(\dots + b_{\varepsilon_{r-1}}\left(\partial + 2i\eta\varepsilon_{r}\right)^{-1}b_{\varepsilon_{r}}\right) \cdots\right)$$

using ∂_{∞}^{-1} whenever a suffix $\varepsilon_j \cdots \varepsilon_r$ of ε has vanishing sum.

"Resonance level": $\ell(\varepsilon) = n$ number of zero-sum suffixes $\longrightarrow M^{\varepsilon}$ involves an *n*-fold integration from ∞ .

Group together the words with the same resonance level: $W_n^{\pm} := \sum_{\ell(\varepsilon)=n} \beta_{\varepsilon}^{\pm} M^{\varepsilon}$ is the "*n*-point component" in Y_{\pm}

$$\mathscr{V}_{\pm} = \sum_{n} W_{n}^{\pm} \quad \text{we WKB solution } \psi_{\infty}^{\pm} = e^{\pm i\eta A(x)} Q^{-1/4} e^{\partial_{\infty}^{-1} Y_{\pm}}.$$

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