

Higher Dimensional Rigid Local Systems I

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Each irreducible singular regular linear differential equation of order 2 on \mathbb{P}^1 , with singularities at 0, 1 and ∞ and holomorphic solutions defined in the neighbourhood of 0 and 1 is in the family

$$t(1-t)\frac{d^2u}{dt^2} + (c - (a+b+1)t)\frac{du}{dt} + abu = 0, \quad a, b, c \in \mathbb{C}. \quad (1)$$

(Riemann's Hypergeometric differential equation)

The eigenvalues of the monodromies of (1) around 0, 1 and ∞ are respectively

$$1, \alpha, \quad 1, \beta, \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda, \mu.$$

Moreover,

$$\alpha\beta = \lambda\mu.$$

Hence the set of parameters of the coefficients of the equations of the family (1) and the sets of parameters of the local monodromies of the equations of the family (1) have both **3 degrees of freedom.**

Hence we can recover a, b, c from $\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu$.

We are able to recover the **global data** a, b, c from the **local data** $\alpha, \beta, \lambda, \mu$!

The hypergeometric differential equation is an example of an equation **without accessory parameters**.

(In general there are more parameters on the coefficients than eigenvalues)

Linear equations without accessory parameters have a central role on the theory of Fuchsian differential equations.

They can be presented in a modern framework:

A local system on the punctured Riemann sphere is called **rigid** if it is determined by its local monodromies.

Consider invertible matrices $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n, A_\infty$ such that

$$A_0 A_1 \cdots A_n = A_\infty.$$

We call the tuple $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n, A_\infty$ **rigid** if

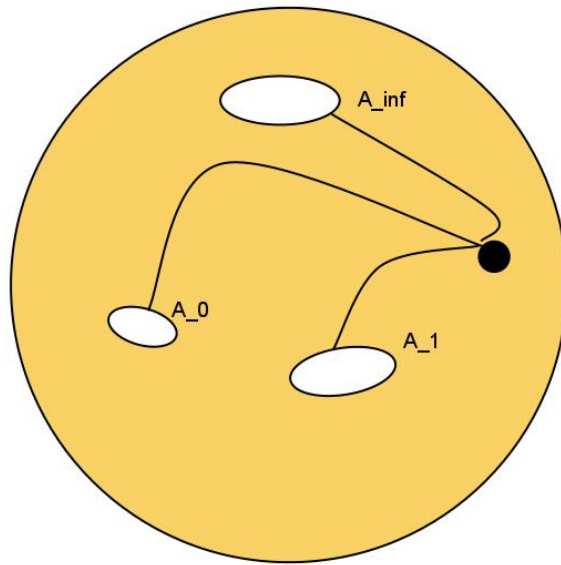
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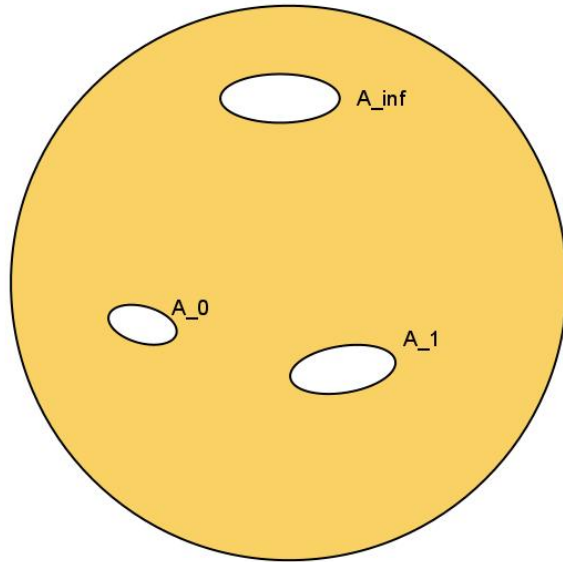
and B_i is conjugated to A_i , $i = 0, 1, \dots, n, \infty$,

there is an invertible matrix X such that $B_i = X^{-1} A_i X$,

for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n, \infty$.



$$A_0 A_1 = A_{\infty}$$



Sato, Kashiwara, Kimura and Oshima introduced a very interesting higher dimensional generalization of the notion of accessory parameters. Let Y be the weighted homogeneous plane curve

$$\prod_{i=1}^{\ell} (y^k - C_i x^n) = 0. \quad (2)$$

Set $X = \mathbb{C}^2$. Let \mathfrak{M} be a simple holonomic \mathcal{D}_X -module with characteristic variety $T_Y^*X \cup T_X^*X$.

Theorem There are complex numbers $\lambda, \lambda_{r,s}, r, s \geq 0$, $ns - (n - k)(\ell + 1) \leq r \leq (n - k)s - 1$, and $\hat{C}_i, 1 \leq i \leq \ell$, such that \mathfrak{M} is isomorphic to the system

$$(kx\partial_x + ny\partial_y - \lambda)u = Pu = 0, \quad (3)$$

where

$$P = \prod_{i=1}^{\ell} (\partial_x^k + \hat{C}_i x^{n-k} \partial_y^k) + \sum_{r,s} \lambda_{r,s} x^r \partial_x^{j-nr+(n-k)(\ell+1)} \partial_y^{ns}.$$

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SKKO system is without accessory parameters iff $H\varphi = 0$ is without accessory parameters.

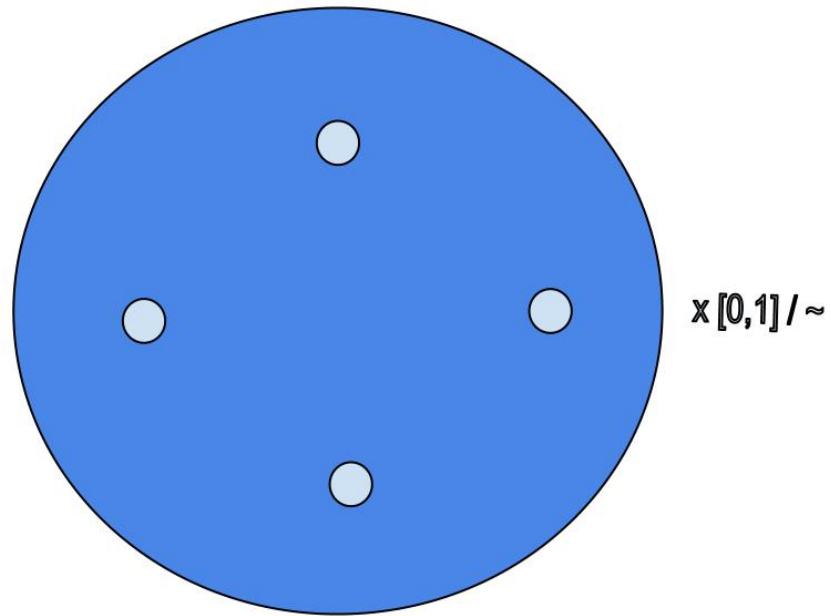
Is there a higher dimensional generalization of the notion of rigid local system that covers the SKKO example?

SKKO showed that when the characteristic variety has several irreducible components the systems are never without accessory parameters.

If we consider multiplicity one systems instead of simple characteristic systems, can we find more systems without accessory parameters?

Yes we can!

Let us recall some 3 dim topology: **Seifert Manifold**



Let M be a 3-fold. Let $\mathfrak{T} = \cup_{1 \leq i \leq k} T_i$ be the union of a family of torii (surfaces $\simeq S^1 \times S^1$).

\mathfrak{T} defines a **Waldhausen decomposition** of M if $M \setminus \mathfrak{T}$ is a union of Seifert manifolds.

Theorem (Le Dung Trang 2003)

Let Y be a germ of plane curve.

Let S^ε be the Milnor sphere.

There is a minimal Waldhausen decomposition of $S^\varepsilon \setminus Y$.

Example

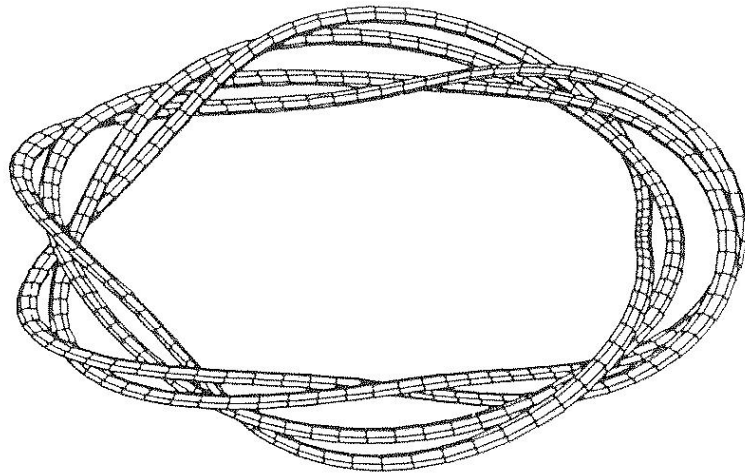
Consider the plane curve Y parametrized by

$$x = t^4, \quad y = t^{10} + t^{11}.$$

The intersection of Y with the Milnor sphere \mathbb{S}^ε defined by

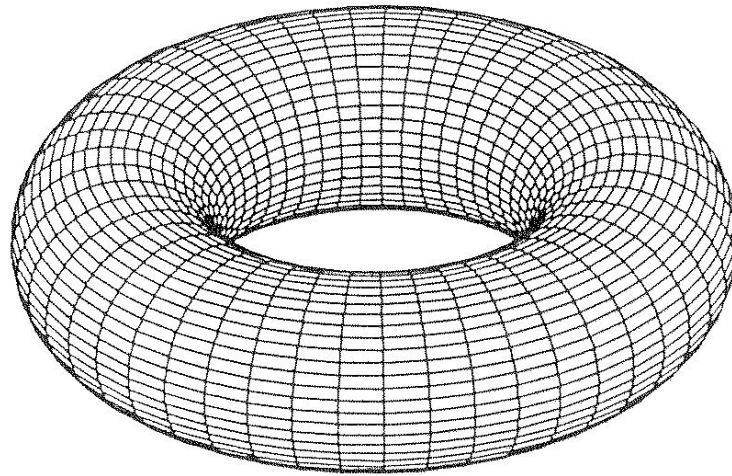
$$|x|^2 + |y|^2 = \varepsilon^2$$

equals the knot:

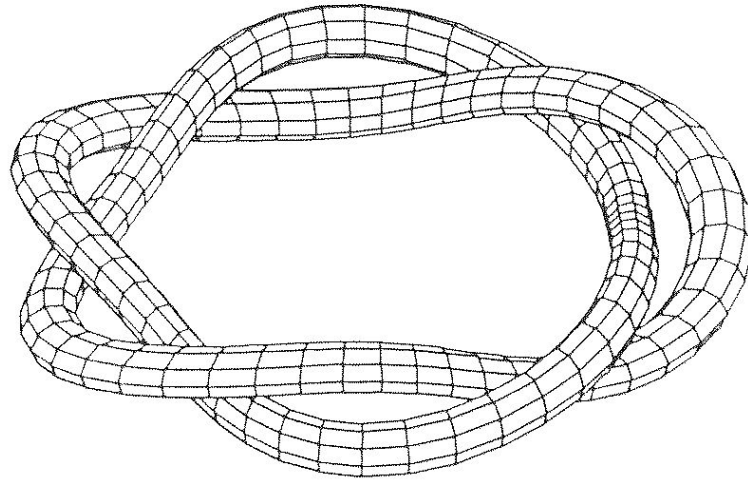


The Waldhausen decomposition of $\mathbb{S}^\varepsilon \setminus Y$ is defined by three torii T_0, T_1, T_2 associated to the curves with Puiseux expansions $y = 0$, $y = x^{\frac{5}{2}}$, $y = x^{\frac{5}{2}} + x^{\frac{11}{4}}$.

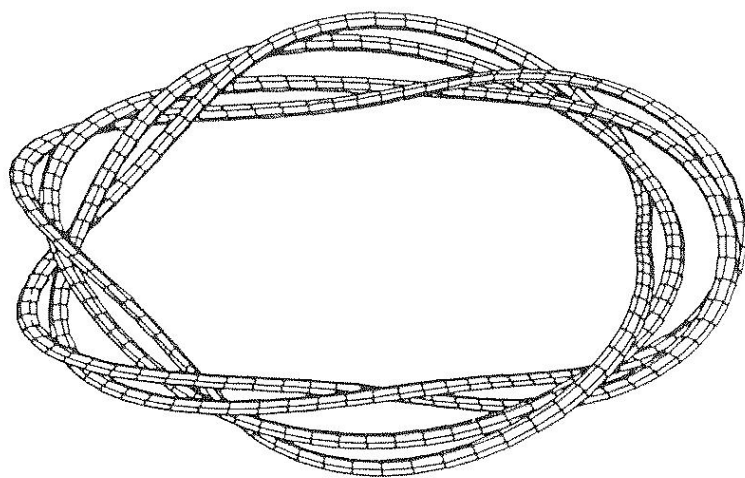
- $T_0 = \mathbb{S}^\varepsilon \cap \{y = a : |a| < \varepsilon_0\}$
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There is a higher dimensional generalization of the notion of rigidity.

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Connections with \mathcal{D} -modules?

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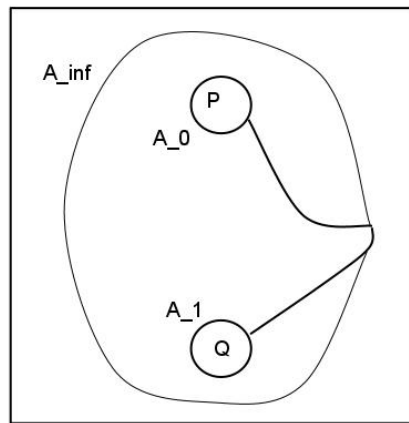
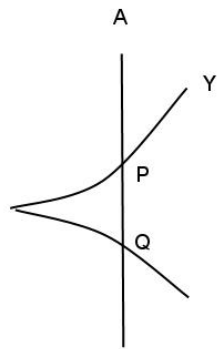
Let (Y, o) be the germ of an hypersurface of \mathbb{C}^n .

Let X be an open neighbourhood of o .

Let $\tau : \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a linear projection with fibers transversal to the tangent cone of Y .

Let \mathcal{L} be a local system on $X \setminus Y$.

\mathcal{L} is **Pochhammer** if $R\tau_*(\mathcal{L})$ vanishes.



Let X be an open neighbourhood of the origin 0 of \mathbb{C}^n .
Let \mathfrak{M} be (the germ at 0) of a holonomic \mathcal{D}_X -module
with characteristic variety in **generic position**.
Assume that $\text{Char}(\mathfrak{M}) \cap \pi^{-1}(0) = \langle \partial_{x_n} \rangle$.

Definition

\mathfrak{M} **comes from a \mathcal{D} -module** if :
 $\text{Char}(\mathfrak{M})$ is in generic position and
 $\partial_{x_n} : \mathfrak{M}_0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}_0$ is bijective.

Let \mathfrak{M} be a holonomic \mathcal{D}_X -module.

We call **ramification locus** of \mathfrak{M} to

$\pi(\text{Car}(\mathfrak{M}) \setminus T_M^*M)$.

The multivalued holomorphic functions of \mathfrak{M} ramify along the ramification locus of \mathfrak{M} .

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Let Y be an hypersurface of \mathbb{C}^n .

The de Rham functor

$\mathcal{DR}(\mathfrak{M}) = \Omega^* \otimes \mathfrak{M} = \mathbb{R}\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{O}_X, \mathfrak{M})$ defines an equivalence of categories between the categories of

- \mathcal{D} -modules that come from a \mathcal{E} module and have ramification locus Y .
- Pochhammer local systems on $X \setminus Y$.

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\mathfrak{M} is special if:

- \mathfrak{M} is regular holonomic;
- $\text{Char}(\mathfrak{M})$ is in generic position;
- Its Pochhammer local system is rigid;
- $\mathcal{DR}(\mathfrak{M})$ and $\text{Sol}(\mathfrak{M})$ are concentrated in degree 0.

Remark

The condition

" $\mathcal{DR}(\mathfrak{M})$ and $\text{Sol}(\mathfrak{M})$ are concentrated in degree 0"
is a genericity condition on the system \mathfrak{M} .

Let \mathfrak{M}_λ be the \mathcal{D} -module defined by the relation

$$t\partial_t u = \lambda u.$$

The system \mathfrak{M}_λ verifies the conditions above if and only if $\lambda \notin \mathbb{Z}$.

Theorem Kashiwara and Kawai

If a \mathcal{D} -module \mathfrak{M} comes from a \mathcal{E} -module it is $\mathbb{1}$ generated by a holomorphic microfunction.

Example

The \mathcal{D} -module \mathfrak{M} with presentation $t\partial_t u = 0$ is generated by $\log t + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}}$.

\mathfrak{M} is not generated by a multivalued holomorphic function.

”There is no general integral”.

Theorem

If \mathfrak{M} and \mathfrak{M}^* come from an \mathcal{E} -module,
 \mathfrak{M} is generated by a multivalued holomorphic function.

**Pochhammer Local system with special eigenvalues
 $\neq 1 \Rightarrow$ Special \mathcal{D} -module \Rightarrow Special function.**

Theorem

Given $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_\ell \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$

there is a special \mathcal{D} -module of multiplicity 1

with characteristic variety equal to the conormal of $\{\prod_{i=1}^{\ell} (y^k - C_i x^n) = 0\}$

such that its monodromy around $\{y^k - C_i x^n = 0\}$

has eigenvalues $\lambda, 1, \dots, 1$.