

# Painlevé $\tau$ -function and Topological Recursion

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## Background / Motivation

- **Topological recursion** ([Eynard-Orantin 07], [Chekhov-Eynard-Orantin 06]):

spectral curve  $\longrightarrow$  topological recursion (TR)  $\rightsquigarrow W_{g,n}(z_1, \dots, z_n), F_g$

Outputs are analogue of correlators and free energy of matrix models.

- It is related to **integrability**.

Example: 
$$y^2 = 4(x - q_0)^2(x + 2q_0) \quad (q_0 = \sqrt{-t/6}) \quad \overset{\text{TR}}{\rightsquigarrow} \quad Z(t; \hbar) := \exp\left(\sum_{g \geq 0} \hbar^{2g-2} F_g(t)\right)$$

Theorem ([Brézin-Kazakov 90], ..., [Eynard-Orantin 07])

**TR partion function**  $Z(t; \hbar)$  =  **$\tau$ -function** for the **Painlevé I equation**

$$(P_I) : \hbar^2 \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} = 6q^2 + t.$$

Namely, the following formal power series satisfies  $(P_I)$ :

$$q(t; \hbar) := -\hbar^2 \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \log Z(t; \hbar) = q_0(t) + \hbar^2 q_2(t) + \hbar^4 q_4(t) + \dots$$

(c.f., [I-Marchal-Saenz 18] for all six Painlevé equations.)

## Background / Motivation (Cont.)

- The previous solution is “perturbative” one (“0-parameter solution”).
- General solution (“2-parameter solution”) is known in several expressions:
  - ▶ [Takano 89], [Aoki et.al. 96], [Anicet et.al. 12],...
  - ▶ [Gamayun-Iorgov-Lisovyy 12] gave the Painlevé VI  $\tau$ -function (with  $\hbar = 1$ ):

$$\tau_{P_{VI}}(t; \boldsymbol{\nu}, \boldsymbol{\rho}) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \boldsymbol{\rho}} C(\boldsymbol{\nu} + k) t^{(\boldsymbol{\nu} + k)^2 - \theta_0^2 - \theta_t^2} B(t; \boldsymbol{\nu} + k)$$

where  $B(t, \nu) = 4$ -point Virasoro conformal block with  $c = 1$ ,

= Nekrasov partition function with  $\varepsilon_1 + \varepsilon_2 = 0$ .

- ▶ [Bonelli-Lisovyy-Maryoshi-Sciarappa-Tanzini 15] proposed a generalization of GIL formula for irregular Painlevé equations via Argyres-Douglas theory.
- **Question: Can we construct such a 2-parameter solution from TR ?**  
([Eynard-Mariño 08], [Borot-Eynard 12]: “non-perturbative partition function”)

# Main Results

## Main Theorem ([I 19])

Let  $W_{g,n}$  and  $F_g$  be the TR correlators / free energy of the spectral curve

$$y^2 = 4x^3 + 2tx + u(t, \nu) \quad \left( \nu := \oint_A y dx : t\text{-independent} \right).$$

(i) The discrete Fourier transform of the TR partition function

$$\tau(t, \nu, \rho; \hbar) := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} Z(t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar)$$

gives a 2-parameter family of formal  $\tau$ -function for  $(P_I)$ .

(ii) Another Fourier series

$$\Psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu, \rho; \hbar) := \frac{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} Z(t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar) \psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar)}{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} Z(t, \hbar; \nu + k\hbar)}$$

$$\left( \psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu; \hbar) = \exp \left( \sum_{g,n} \frac{(\pm \hbar)^{2g-2+n}}{n!} \int^{z(x)} \cdots \int^{z(x)} W_{g,n}(z_1, \dots, z_n) \right) \right)$$

gives a solution of the **isomonodromy system** associated with  $(P_I)$ .

# Isomonodromy System associated with Painlevé I

- **Fact** (c.f., [Okamoto 80, Jimbo-Miwa-Ueno 81, Jimbo-Miwa 81]):

$(P_I) \Leftrightarrow$  compatibility condition ( $[L, M] = 0$ ) of the system of linear PDEs

$$(L_I) : L\Psi := \left[ \hbar^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\hbar}{x-q} \left( \hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - p \right) - (4x^3 + 2tx + 2H) \right] \Psi = 0$$

$$(D_I) : M\Psi := \left[ \hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \frac{1}{2(x-q)} \left( \hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - p \right) \right] \Psi = 0$$

$$\text{where } p := \hbar \frac{dq}{dt} \quad \text{and} \quad H := \frac{p^2}{2} - 2q^3 - tq$$

(Remark: The previous spectral curve is a “naive” classical limit of  $(L_I)$ .)

- **Stokes multipliers** for  $L\Psi = 0$  around  $x = \infty$  is **independent of  $t$** .  
 $\leadsto$  Stokes data are first integrals of  $(P_I)$ . (**Integrability** of Painlevé equations).
- Assuming a “**Borel summability conjecture**” etc., we will give a conjectural answer to the **direct Monodromy problem** (i.e., computation of Stokes data) via the **exact WKB method** (or **spectral networks**).

# Topological Recursion

# Spectral Curve

## Definition

A **spectral curve** is a triplet  $(\Sigma, x, y)$ , where

- $\Sigma$  : compact Riemann surface with a prescribed  $A$  and  $B$  cycles in  $H_1(\Sigma; \mathbb{Z})$ .
- $x, y$  : meromorphic functions on  $\Sigma$ .

such that  $dx$  and  $dy$  never vanish simultaneously.

- Example 1 (Airy curve) :

$$\Sigma = \mathbb{P}^1, \quad x(z) = z^2, \quad y(z) = z. \quad (y^2 - x = 0)$$

- Example 2 (Elliptic curve) :

$$\Sigma = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda, \quad x(z) = \wp(z), \quad y(z) = \wp'(z). \quad (y^2 = 4x^3 - g_2x - g_3)$$

where  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}\omega_A + \mathbb{Z}\omega_B$  and

$$\wp(z) = \wp(z; \omega_A, \omega_B) := \frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{\omega \in \Lambda \setminus \{0\}} \left( \frac{1}{(z - \omega)^2} - \frac{1}{\omega^2} \right)$$

# Eynard-Orantin Correlators

## Definition [Eynard-Orantin 07] ([Chekhov-Eynard-Orantin 06])

To a given spectral curve  $(\Sigma, x, y)$ , define

$\{W_{g,n}(z_1, \dots, z_n)\}_{g \geq 0, n \geq 1}$  : a sequence of meromorphic multi-differentials on  $\Sigma$

by the following recursion relation (called **topological recursion**):

$$W_{0,1}(z) := y(z)dx(z), \quad W_{0,2}(z_1, z_2) := \text{Bergman bi-differential}$$

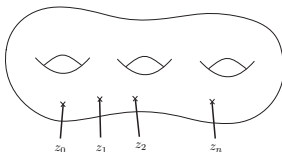
$$W_{g,n+1}(z_0, z_1, \dots, z_n) := \sum_{a: \text{ramification point}} \operatorname{Res}_{z=a} K_a(z_0, z) \left( W_{g-1, n+2}(z, \bar{z}, z_1, \dots, z_n) + \sum_{\substack{g_1 + g_2 = g, I_1 \sqcup I_2 = \{1, \dots, n\}, \\ \text{except for } (g_i = 0 \ \& \ I_i = \emptyset)}} W_{g_1, 1+|I_1|}(z, z_{I_1}) W_{g_2, 1+|I_2|}(\bar{z}, z_{I_2}) \right).$$

- $W_{0,2}(z_1, z_2) = \frac{dz_1 dz_2}{(z_1 - z_2)^2}$  (for  $\Sigma = \mathbb{P}^1$ ), and  $\left( \wp(z_1 - z_2) + \frac{\eta_A}{\omega_A} \right) dz_1 dz_2$  (for elliptic curve).
- Ramification points are zeros of  $dx$  (we assume that they are simple).
- $\bar{z}$  is the local conjugation of  $z$  near a ramification point.
- $K_a(z_0, z) := \frac{1}{2(y(z) - y(\bar{z})) dx(z)} \int_{w=\bar{z}}^{w=z} W_{0,2}(z_0, w)$  is the “recursion kernel”.



# Diagrammatic Expression of Topological Recursion

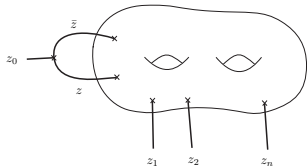
“ $W_{g,n}(z_1, \dots, z_n) \longleftrightarrow$  genus  $g$  Riemann surface with  $n$  marked points”



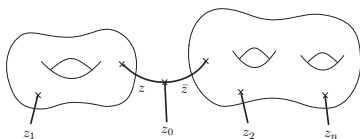
$$W_{g,n+1}(z_0, z_1, \dots, z_n)$$



“Degeneration” of  
Riemann surfaces



$$K_a(z_0, z) W_{g-1, n+2}(z, \bar{z}, z_1, \dots, z_n)$$



$$K_a(z_0, z) W_{g_1, 1+|I_1|}(z, z_{I_1}) W_{g_2, 1+|I_2|}(\bar{z}, z_{I_2})$$

# Free Energy and Partition Function

Definition [Eynard-Orantin 07] ([Chekhov-Eynard-Orantin 06])

- For  $g \geq 2$ , define  **$g$ -th free energy  $F_g$**  of the spectral curve by

$$F_g := \frac{1}{2-2g} \sum_{a: \text{ramification points}} \operatorname{Res}_{z=a} \Phi(z) W_{g,1}(z) \quad \left( \Phi(z) := \int^z y(z) dx(z) \right)$$

( $F_0$  and  $F_1$  are also defined but in a different manner.)

- Free energy  $F$**  and **partition function  $Z$**  of the spectral curve are defined by

$$F := \sum_{g=0}^{\infty} \hbar^{2g-2} F_g, \quad Z := \exp(F) = \exp \left( \sum_{g=0}^{\infty} \hbar^{2g-2} F_g \right)$$

## Properties [Eynard-Orantin 07]

- $W_{g,n}(z_1, \dots, z_n)$  : holomorphic (as a differential of each  $z_i$ ) on  $\Sigma \setminus R$ .
- $W_{g,n}(\dots, z_i, \dots, z_j, \dots) = W_{g,n}(\dots, z_j, \dots, z_i, \dots)$ .
- $W_{g,n}$  is normalized along  $A$ -cycles  $A_1, \dots, A_{g(\Sigma)}$ :

$$\oint_{z_1 \in A_j} W_{g,n}(z_1, \dots, z_n) = 0 \quad \text{except for } (g, n) = (0, 1)$$

- $W_{g,n}$  satisfies **differentiation formulas** (with respect to moduli parameters).  
For example, the differentiation with respect to

$$v_j := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{A_j} W_{0,1}(z) \quad (j = 1, \dots, g(\Sigma))$$

is given by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v_j} W_{g,n}(z(x_1), \dots, z(x_n)) = \oint_{x_{n+1} \in B_j} W_{g,n+1}(z(x_1), \dots, z(x_n), z(x_{n+1}))$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v_j} F_g = \oint_{z \in B_j} W_{g,1}(z)$$

# TR and Various Geometric Invariants

- Airy curve  $(\mathbb{P}^1, x(z) = z^2, y(z) = z)$   
 $\leadsto$  Gromov-Witten invariants for point:

$$W_{g,n}^{\text{Airy}}(z_1, \dots, z_n) = \frac{1}{2^{2g-2+n}} \sum_{d_1, \dots, d_n \geq 0} \left( \int_{\mathcal{M}_{g,n}} \psi_1^{d_1} \cdots \psi_n^{d_n} \right) \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{(2d_i - 1)!!}{z_i^{2d_i}} dz_i$$

- Landau-Ginzburg mirror of  $\mathbb{P}^1$   $(\mathbb{C}^*, x(z) = z + z^{-1}, y(z) = \log z)$   
 $\leadsto$  Gromov-Witten invariants for  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .  
[Norbury-Scott 14], [Dunin-Barkowski et.al 13], [Fang et.al 16].
- Bouchard-Klemm-Mariño-Pasquetti conjecture on open Gromov-Witten invariants for toric CY3. [Bouchard et.al 08], [Eynard-Orantin 13]
- KdV  $\tau$ -function [Kontsevich 92], [Eynard-Orantin 07],
- Painlevé  $\tau$ -functions (corresponding to “perturbative solution”)  
[Borot-Eynard 09, I-Saenz 15, I-Marchal-Saenz 17].
- ...

# Topological Recursion and WKB : Quantum Curve

$$(\mathbb{P}^1, x(z) = z^2, y(z) = z) \quad : \quad \text{Airy curve } (y^2 = x)$$

$$W_{0,1}^{\text{Airy}}(z_1) = y(z)dx(z) = 2z_1^2dz_1, \quad W_{0,2}^{\text{Airy}}(z_1, z_2) = \frac{dz_1dz_2}{(z_1 - z_2)^2},$$

$$W_{0,3}^{\text{Airy}}(z_1, z_2, z_3) = -\frac{dz_1dz_2dz_3}{2z_1^2z_2^2z_3^2}, \quad W_{1,1}^{\text{Airy}}(z_1) = -\frac{dz_1}{16z_1^4}, \quad \dots$$

## Theorem [Gukov-Sułkowski 12, Zhou 12, ...]

The formal series

$$\psi(x; \hbar) := \exp \left( \sum_{g \geq 0, n \geq 1} \frac{\hbar^{2g-2+n}}{n!} \int_{\infty}^{z(x)} \cdots \int_{\infty}^{z(x)} W_{g,n}^{\text{Airy}}(z_1, \dots, z_n) \right)$$

is a WKB formal solution of the Airy equation

$$\left( \hbar^2 \frac{d^2}{dx^2} - x \right) \psi(x; \hbar) = 0$$

(Precisely speaking, we need to regularize the term corresponding to  $(g, n) = (0, 2)$  since  $W_{0,2}(z_1, z_2)$  has singularity along  $z_1 = z_2$ .)

**Main Result :**

**2-parameter  $\tau$ -function**

**of Painlevé I**

## A Family of Genus 1 Spectral Curves

Consider a family of elliptic curves

$$y^2 = 4x^3 + 2tx + u(t, \nu)$$

(with a prescribed  $A$ -cycle and  $B$ -cycle such that  $\text{Im}(\omega_B/\omega_A) > 0$ ) satisfying

$$\nu := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_A y dx \text{ is independent of } t.$$

- The condition requires

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = 2 \frac{\eta_A}{\omega_A} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial \nu} = \frac{4\pi i}{\omega_A}$$

- Regard this as a spectral curve

$$\Sigma = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda, \quad x(z) = \wp(z), \quad y(z) = \wp'(z)$$

by the Weierstrass  $\wp$ -function.  $\leadsto W_{g,n}(z_1, \dots, z_n)$  and  $F_g$  by TR.

Lemma (cf. [Eynard-Orantin 07])

$$\frac{\partial F_0}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2}u, \quad \frac{\partial F_0}{\partial \nu} = \oint_B y dx, \quad \frac{\partial^2 F_0}{\partial \nu^2} = 2\pi i \frac{\omega_B}{\omega_A}$$

(i.e.,  $F_0$  = **Seiberg-Witten prepotential**.)

# Key Facts (Quantum Curve and Formal Monodromy)

## Key Lemma 1

The WKB-type formal series

$$\psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu; \hbar) := \exp \left( \sum_{g \geq 0, n \geq 1} \frac{(\pm \hbar)^{2g-2+n}}{n!} \int_0^{z(x)} \cdots \int_0^{z(x)} W_{g,n}(z_1, \dots, z_n) \right)$$

satisfies

$$\left[ \hbar^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - 2\hbar^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \left( 4x^3 + 2tx + 2\hbar^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F(t, \nu; \hbar) \right) \right] \psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu; \hbar) = 0$$

(Remark: The above PDE is a quantization of  $y^2 = 4x^3 + 2tx + u(t, \nu)$ .)

## Key Lemma 2

**Formal monodromy** (term-wise analytic continuation) along  $A$  and  $B$ -cycle:

$$\psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu; \hbar) \mapsto \begin{cases} e^{\pm 2\pi i \nu / \hbar} \psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu; \hbar) & \text{along } A\text{-cycle} \\ \frac{Z(t, \nu \pm \hbar; \hbar)}{Z(t, \nu; \hbar)} \psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu \pm \hbar; \hbar) & \text{along } B\text{-cycle} \end{cases}$$

Here  $Z(t, \nu; \hbar) = \exp(F(t, \nu; \hbar)) = \exp \left( \sum_{g \geq 0} \hbar^{2g-2} F_g(t, \nu) \right)$  is the TR partition function.



## Proof of Key Lemma 2

Using the **differentiation formulas** for  $W_{g,n}$  and  $F_g$ , we have

Term-wise analytic continuation of  $\psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu; \hbar)$  along the  $B$ -cycle

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \exp \left( \sum_{g \geq 0, n \geq 1} \frac{(\pm \hbar)^{2g-2+n}}{n!} \int_0^{z(x)+\omega_B} \cdots \int_0^{z(x)+\omega_B} W_{g,n}(z'_1, \dots, z'_n) \right) \\
 &= \exp \left( \sum_{g \geq 0, n \geq 1} \frac{(\pm \hbar)^{2g-2+n}}{n!} \sum_{\ell=0}^n \binom{n}{\ell} \underbrace{\oint_B \cdots \oint_B}_{\ell} \underbrace{\int_0^{z(x)} \cdots \int_0^{z(x)}}_{n-\ell} W_{g,n}(z'_1, \dots, z'_n) \right) \\
 &= \exp \left( \sum_{\substack{g, \ell_1, \ell_2 \geq 0 \\ \ell_1 + \ell_2 \geq 1}} \frac{(\pm \hbar)^{2g-2+\ell_1+\ell_2}}{\ell_1! \cdot \ell_2!} \frac{\partial^{\ell_1}}{\partial \nu^{\ell_1}} \underbrace{\int_0^{z(x)} \cdots \int_0^{z(x)}}_{\ell_2} W_{g, \ell_2}(z'_1, \dots, z'_{\ell_2}) \right) \\
 &= \exp \left( \sum_{\ell_1 \geq 1} \frac{(\pm \hbar)^{\ell_1}}{\ell_1!} \frac{\partial^{\ell_1}}{\partial \nu^{\ell_1}} \sum_{g \geq 0} \hbar^{2g-2} F_g(t, \nu) \right) \\
 &\quad \times \exp \left( \sum_{\ell_1 \geq 0} \frac{(\pm \hbar)^{\ell_1}}{\ell_1!} \frac{\partial^{\ell_1}}{\partial \nu^{\ell_1}} \sum_{g \geq 0, \ell_2 \geq 1} \frac{(\pm \hbar)^{2g-2+\ell_2}}{\ell_2!} \int_0^{z(x)} \cdots \int_0^{z(x)} W_{g, \ell_2}(z'_1, \dots, z'_{\ell_2}) \right) \\
 &= \frac{Z(t, \nu \pm \hbar; \hbar)}{Z(t, \nu; \hbar)} \psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu \pm \hbar; \hbar).
 \end{aligned}$$

## Main Theorem

The formal monodromy relations for  $\psi_{\pm}$  imply that the Fourier series

$$\tilde{\Psi}_{\pm}(x, t, \nu, \rho; \hbar) := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} Z(t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar) \psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar)$$

has  **$t$ -independent (and diagonal) formal monodromy**:

$$\tilde{\Psi}_{\pm}(x, t, \nu, \rho; \hbar) \mapsto \begin{cases} e^{\pm 2\pi i \nu / \hbar} \tilde{\Psi}_{\pm}(x, t, \nu, \rho; \hbar) & \text{along A-cycle} \\ e^{\mp 2\pi i \rho / \hbar} \tilde{\Psi}_{\pm}(x, t, \nu, \rho; \hbar) & \text{along B-cycle} \end{cases}$$

## Theorem ([19])

The formal series

$$\Psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu, \rho; \hbar) := \frac{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} Z(t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar) \psi_{\pm}(x, t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar)}{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} Z(t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar)}$$

is a formal solution of the isomonodromy system  $(L_1)$  and  $(D_1)$  associated with  $(P_1)$ . Here  $H, q, p$  in the isomonodromy system are given by

$$H = \hbar^2 \frac{d}{dt} \log \left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} \cdot Z(t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar) \right), \quad q = -\hbar \frac{dH}{dt}, \quad p = \hbar \frac{dq}{dt}.$$

## Main Theorem (cont)

### Theorem ([19])

The formal series

$$\tau_{P_1}(t, \nu, \rho; \hbar) := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} Z(t, \nu + k\hbar; \hbar)$$

is a 2-parameter formal  **$\tau$ -function** for  $(P_1)$ .

**Remark :** This is the **non-perturbative partition function** of [Eynard-Mariño 08] and [Borot-Eynard 12]. They observed that the above Fourier series can be expressed as a formal power series of  $\hbar$  whose coefficients are described by  $\theta$ -functions (and their derivatives) :

$$\tau_{P_1} = Z(\nu) \cdot \left[ \theta(z, \tau) + \hbar \left( \frac{1}{6} \frac{\partial^3 F_0}{\partial \nu^2} \theta'''(z, \tau) + \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial \nu} \theta'(z, \tau) \right) + \dots \right]_{z = \frac{\phi(t) + \rho}{\hbar}, \tau = \frac{\omega_B}{\omega_A}}$$

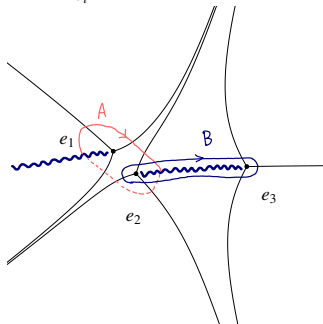
$$\text{where } \theta(z, \tau) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k z + \pi i k^2 \tau} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_B y dx = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{\partial F_0}{\partial \nu}.$$

$\leadsto$  This recovers the **Boutroux's elliptic asymptotic** ([Boutroux 1913]).

# **Direct Monodromy Problem (Exact WKB Approach)**

# Stokes Graph and Borel Summability Conjecture

Define the **Stokes graph** by  $\text{Im} \int_{e_i}^x \sqrt{4x^3 + 2tx + u(t, v)} dx = 0 \quad (i = 1, 2, 3).$



(Remark : Stokes graph = **spectral network** defined by  $(4x^3 + 2tx + u(t, v)) dx^{\otimes 2}$ )

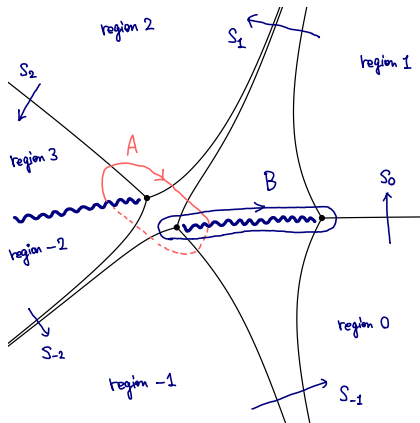
## Conjecture

The WKB solution  $\psi_{\pm}(x, t, v; \hbar)$  of the PDE

$$\left[ \hbar^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - 2\hbar^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \left( 4x^3 + 2tx + 2\hbar^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F(t, v; \hbar) \right) \right] \psi_{\pm}(x, t, v; \hbar) = 0$$

constructed in Key Lemma 1 is **Borel summable** as  $\hbar$ -formal power series on each complement of Stokes graph (if there is no saddle connection).

# Stokes Multipliers of $(L_I)$ Around $x = \infty$



$$(\Psi_+^{(\ell)}, \Psi_-^{(\ell)}) = \begin{cases} (\Psi_+^{(\ell+1)}, \Psi_-^{(\ell+1)}) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s_\ell & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{for } \ell = 0, \pm 2, \\ (\Psi_+^{(\ell+1)}, \Psi_-^{(\ell+1)}) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & s_\ell \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \text{for } \ell = \pm 1, \end{cases}$$

$s_\ell$  = **Stokes multiplier** of  $(L_I)$

$$\Psi_\pm^{(\ell)} = \frac{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} \cdot Z(t, v + k\hbar; \hbar) \cdot \overset{\text{Borel sum on the region } \ell}{\downarrow} \psi_\pm^{(\ell)}(x, t, v + k\hbar; \hbar)}{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2\pi i k \rho / \hbar} \cdot Z(t, v + k\hbar; \hbar)}$$

(We also assume the convergence of the Fourier series.)

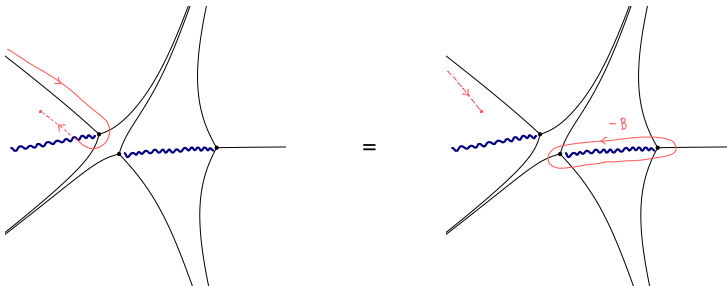
## Computation of $s_2$

- Voros connection formula (path-lifting rule):**

Single-valuedness of Borel sum around branch points

$$\Rightarrow \psi_+^{(2)}(x, t, \nu; \hbar) = \psi_+^{(3)}(x, t, \nu; \hbar) + \tilde{\psi}_-^{(3)}(x, t, \nu; \hbar)$$

where  $\tilde{\psi}_-$  is the formal analytic continuation of  $\psi_+$  along a “detoured” path.



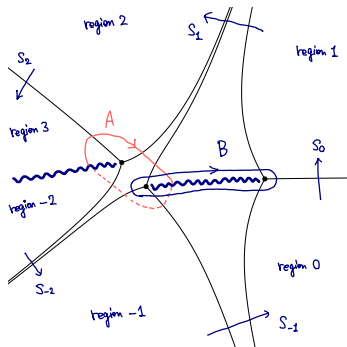
- Deforming the detoured path, we have

$$\tilde{\psi}_-^{(3)}(x, t, \nu; \hbar) = i \frac{Z(t, \nu - \hbar; \hbar)}{Z(t, \nu; \hbar)} \psi_-(x, t, \nu - \hbar; \hbar)$$

- Taking the discrete Fourier transform, we have

$$\Psi_+^{(2)} = \Psi_+^{(3)} + i e^{2\pi i \rho / \hbar} \Psi_-^{(3)} \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad s_2 = i e^{2\pi i \rho / \hbar}.$$

# List of Stokes multipliers



$$\begin{cases} s_{-2} = i(e^{-2\pi i\rho/\hbar} - e^{2\pi i(v-\rho)/\hbar}), \\ s_{-1} = i(-e^{-2\pi i(v-\rho)/\hbar} + e^{-2\pi i v/\hbar}), \\ s_0 = i e^{2\pi i v/\hbar}, \\ s_1 = i(e^{-2\pi i v/\hbar} - e^{-2\pi i(v+\rho)/\hbar} + e^{-2\pi i\rho/\hbar}), \\ s_2 = i e^{2\pi i\rho/\hbar}. \end{cases}$$

- **Observation 1:** All  $s_\ell$  is independent of  $t$ .
- **Observation 2:** They satisfies the **consistency condition**  
(i.e., defining equation of wild character variety or  $A_2$ -cluster algebra):

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & s_1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s_0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & s_{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s_{-2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad 1 + s_{\ell-1} s_\ell + i s_{\ell+2} = 0 \quad (s_{\ell+5} = s_\ell)$$



## Problems and Questions

- Generalization to other Painlevé equations ?
  - Higher order: [Gavrylenko-Iorgov-Lisovyy 18], [Marchal-Orantin 19],...
  - $q$ -analogues: [Bershtein-Shchechkin 16], [Bonelli-Grassi-Tanzini 17],...
- Justification of computation of Stokes data ?  
(Borel summability and resurgence, non-linear Stokes phenomenon.)
- Closed and combinatorial expression of the  $\tau$ -function ?  
(In terms of Barnes  $G$ -function ?)
- Relation to irregular conformal blocks ? (c.f., [Nagoya 15–18],...)
- Relation to Nakajima-Yoshioka Blow-up equation ?  
(c.f., [Bershtein-Shchechkin 15-19], ...)

$$\text{For Painlevé I : } \hbar^4 D_t^4 \tau_{P_1} \cdot \tau_{P_1} + 2t \tau_{P_1} \cdot \tau_{P_1} = 0$$

- New proof of the Nekrasov conjecture ([Nekrasov-Okounkov] etc.) ?
- Relation to cluster algebras, Bridgeland stability, wall-crossing formulas,....?  
(c.f., [Chekhov-Mazzocco-Rubtsov 15], ...)

# Thank you for your attention !