

# Hierarchy of Bäcklund Transformation Groups of the Painlevé Systems \*

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## Abstract

For each Painlevé system  $P_J$  except the first one, we have a Bäcklund transformation group which is a lift of an affine Weyl group. In this paper, we show that the Bäcklund transformation groups for  $J = V, IV, III, II$  are successively obtained from that for  $J = VI$  by the well known degeneration or confluence processes.

## 1 Introduction

The  $J$ -th Painlevé system  $P_J$  ( $J = VI, V, IV, III, II, I$ ) which is equivalent to the  $J$ -th Painlevé equation is the following Hamiltonian system

$$P_J : \quad \delta_J q = \{H_J(q, p, t, \alpha), q\}, \quad \delta_J p = \{H_J(q, p, t, \alpha), p\},$$

where  $\delta_{VI} = t(t-1)d/dt$ ,  $\delta_V = \delta_{III} = td/dt$ ,  $\delta_{IV} = \delta_{II} = \delta_I = d/dt$ ,  $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$  is a Poisson bracket defined by

$$\{f, g\} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial q} \frac{\partial g}{\partial p},$$

and the Hamiltonian  $H_J = H_J(q, p, t, \alpha)$  is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} H_{VI}(q, p, t, \alpha) &= q(q-1)(q-t)p^2 - [(\alpha_0-1)q(q-1) + \alpha_4(q-1)(q-t) \\ &\quad + \alpha_3q(q-t)]p + \alpha_2(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)(q-t) \\ &\quad (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 1), \\ H_V(q, p, t, \alpha) &= q(q-1)p(p+t) - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_3)qp + \alpha_1p + \alpha_2tq \\ &\quad (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1), \\ H_{IV}(q, p, t, \alpha) &= qp(2p-q-2t) - 2\alpha_1p - \alpha_2q \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
& (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1), \\
H_{III}(q, p, t, \alpha) &= q^2 p(p-1) + q[(\alpha_0 + \alpha_2)p - \alpha_0] + tp \\
& (\alpha_0 + 2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1), \\
H_{II}(q, p, t, \alpha) &= \frac{1}{2}p^2 - (q^2 + \frac{t}{2})p - \alpha_1 q \\
& (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 = 1), \\
H_I(q, p, t) &= \frac{1}{2}p^2 - 2q^3 - tq.
\end{aligned}$$

Notice that the Hamiltonian for  $J = IV$  is slightly different from that in [4] but it is of the same form as in [1] and [9], because we use the well known degenerations in this paper.

The Bäcklund transformation group  $W = W_J$  of Painlevé system  $P_J$  ( $J \neq I$ ) consists of birational symplectic transformations each of which preserves the form of the Hamiltonian  $H_J$  but changes the parameters  $\alpha = (\alpha_0, \dots)$  as an element of an affine Weyl group. In other words, the elements of  $W_J$  which is a lift of an affine Weyl group are Poisson bracket preserving differential isomorphisms of a differential field of functions of  $q, p, \alpha$  equipped with a derivation defined by the system  $P_J$  and  $\delta_J \alpha_i = 0$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots$ . Here differential isomorphism means algebraic isomorphism commuting with the derivation. The group is generated by a finite set of generators  $s_0, s_1, \dots$  which correspond to the simple roots of the affine Lie algebra([5],[8]).

On the other hand, we know degenerations of Painlevé systems as the following diagram([1],[2],[8],[9]):

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
& & & P_{IV} & \\
& & \nearrow & & \searrow \\
P_{VI} & \longrightarrow & P_V & & P_{II} \longrightarrow P_I \\
& & \searrow & & \nearrow \\
& & & P_{III} & 
\end{array}$$

For every  $P_J \rightarrow P_K$  in the diagram, there is a change of parameters and variables

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_i &= \alpha_i(A, \varepsilon) \quad (i = 0, 1, \dots), \\
t &= t(\varepsilon, T), \quad q = q(A, \varepsilon, T, Q, P), \quad p = p(A, \varepsilon, T, Q, P),
\end{aligned}$$

between  $\alpha = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots), t, q, p$  and  $A = (A_0, A_1, \dots), \varepsilon, T, Q, P$ . For example, in the case of  $P_{VI} \rightarrow P_V$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_0 &= \varepsilon^{-1}, \quad \alpha_1 = A_3, \quad \alpha_2 = A_2, \quad \alpha_3 = A_0 - A_2 - \varepsilon^{-1}, \quad \alpha_4 = A_1, \\
t &= 1 + \varepsilon T, \quad (q-1)(Q-1) = 1, \quad (q-1)p + (Q-1)P = -A_2.
\end{aligned}$$

Since the change of variables is symplectic, namely

$$\{P, Q\} = 1, \quad \{Q, Q\} = \{P, P\} = 0,$$

the system  $P_J$  is also written in the new variables  $T, Q, P$  and parameters  $A, \varepsilon$  as a Hamiltonian system denoted by  $P_{J \rightarrow K}$ . The system  $P_{J \rightarrow K}$  tends to the system  $P_K$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  and then the process  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  in the change of parameters and variables is called a degeneration or confluence process from  $P_J$  to  $P_K$ .

In this paper, we observe how the degeneration process from  $P_J$  to  $P_K$  works on the Bäcklund transformation group  $W_J$ . The change of parameters and variables lifts the group  $W_J$  to a group denoted again by  $W_J$  each element of which is a differential isomorphism of a differential field of functions of  $A = (A_0, A_1, \dots), \varepsilon, T, Q, P$ . We see that an element of the new  $W_J$  does not converge as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , in general. However we can verify the following theorem, which is the main assertion of this paper.

**THEOREM.** *For every degeneration process  $P_J \rightarrow P_K$  except for  $J = II, K = I$  in Painlevé systems, we can choose a subgroup  $W_{J \rightarrow K}$  of the Bäcklund transformation group  $W_J$  so that  $W_{J \rightarrow K}$  converges to  $W_K$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .*

The subgroup  $W_{J \rightarrow K}$  of  $W_J$  is taken as a group generated by reflections of  $A_0, A_1, \dots$ , since the new parameters  $A_0, A_1, \dots$  should be the simple roots of an affine Weyl algebra for the system  $P_K$ .

Here we notice that the same process for  $P_{II} \rightarrow P_I$  can be followed, however we see that each generator of  $W_{II \rightarrow I}$  converges to the identity as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . The fact seems to suggest that the first Painlevé system  $P_I$  has no nontrivial Bäcklund transformations.

Since each  $W_J$  is a lift of an affine Weyl group corresponding to an affine Lie algebra (see next section), it is convenient to express the above theorem by the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & & W(A_2^{(1)}) & \\
 & & & \nearrow & \searrow \\
 W(D_4^{(1)}) & \longrightarrow & W(A_3^{(1)}) & & W(A_1^{(1)}) \\
 & & & \searrow & \nearrow \\
 & & & W(C_2^{(1)}) & 
 \end{array}$$

In Section 2, we review the Bäcklund transformation groups of the Painlevé systems  $P_J$  ( $J \neq I$ ). The following sections are devoted to the proof of the above theorem in all cases of degenerations. In these sections, we also see how  $W_{J \rightarrow K}$  acts on the system  $P_{J \rightarrow K}$ .

## 2 Review of Bäcklund transformation groups

In this section, we give explicit forms of the generators  $s_i$  of the Bäcklund transformation group  $W$  of each Painlevé system. Each list consists of the

type of affine Weyl group, Dynkin diagram, the fundamental relations of the generators of the group  $W$ , and the explicit forms of the generators, where the forms of  $s_i(t)$  are omitted in the case of  $s_i(t) = t$  for all  $i$ . The lists are the same as those in [4] except the case of  $J = IV$ .

## 2.1 The case of $J = VI$

$$D_4^{(1)} : \begin{array}{c} \alpha_0 \quad \alpha_2 \quad \alpha_3 \\ \circ \quad \circ \quad \circ \\ \alpha_1 \quad \circ \quad \alpha_4 \end{array} \quad (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 1)$$

$$W(D_4^{(1)}) = \langle s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4 \rangle : s_i^2 = s_2^2 = 1, \quad (s_i s_j)^2 = 1, \quad (s_i s_2)^3 = 1.$$

	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$	$\alpha_3$	$\alpha_4$	$q$	$p$
$s_0$	$-\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2 + \alpha_0$	$\alpha_3$	$\alpha_4$	$q$	$p - \frac{\alpha_0}{q-t}$
$s_1$	$\alpha_0$	$-\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2 + \alpha_1$	$\alpha_3$	$\alpha_4$	$q$	$p$
$s_2$	$\alpha_0 + \alpha_2$	$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$	$-\alpha_2$	$\alpha_3 + \alpha_2$	$\alpha_4 + \alpha_2$	$q + \frac{\alpha_2}{p}$	$p$
$s_3$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2 + \alpha_3$	$-\alpha_3$	$\alpha_4$	$q$	$p - \frac{\alpha_3}{q-1}$
$s_4$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2 + \alpha_4$	$\alpha_3$	$-\alpha_4$	$q$	$p - \frac{\alpha_4}{q}$

The last list should be read as

$$s_0(\alpha_0) = -\alpha_0, \quad s_0(\alpha_1) = \alpha_1, \quad s_0(\alpha_2) = \alpha_2 + \alpha_0, \quad s_0(\alpha_3) = \alpha_3, \quad s_0(\alpha_4) = \alpha_4, \\ s_0(q) = q, \quad s_0(p) = p - \frac{\alpha_0}{q-t}$$

and so on.

## 2.2 The case of $J = V$

$$A_3^{(1)} : \begin{array}{c} \alpha_0 \\ \circ \\ \alpha_1 \quad \circ \quad \alpha_3 \\ \alpha_2 \end{array} \quad (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1)$$

$$W(A_3^{(1)}) = \langle s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3 \rangle : s_i^2 = 1, \quad (s_i s_{i+2})^2 = 1, \quad (s_i s_{i+1})^3 = 1.$$

	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$	$\alpha_3$	$q$	$p$
$s_0$	$-\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1 + \alpha_0$	$\alpha_2$	$\alpha_3 + \alpha_0$	$q + \frac{\alpha_0}{p+t}$	$p$
$s_1$	$\alpha_0 + \alpha_1$	$-\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2 + \alpha_1$	$\alpha_3$	$q$	$p - \frac{\alpha_1}{q}$
$s_2$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$	$-\alpha_2$	$\alpha_3 + \alpha_2$	$q + \frac{\alpha_2}{p}$	$p$
$s_3$	$\alpha_0 + \alpha_3$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2 + \alpha_3$	$-\alpha_3$	$q$	$p - \frac{\alpha_3}{q-1}$

### 2.3 The case of $J = IV$

$$A_2^{(1)} : \begin{array}{c} \alpha_0 \\ \circ \triangle \circ \\ \alpha_1 \quad \alpha_2 \end{array} \quad (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1)$$

$$W(A_2^{(1)}) = \langle s_0, s_1, s_2 \rangle : s_0^2 = s_1^2 = s_2^2 = 1, \quad (s_0 s_1)^3 = (s_1 s_2)^3 = (s_2 s_0)^3 = 1.$$

	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$	$q$	$p$
$s_0$	$-\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1 + \alpha_0$	$\alpha_2 + \alpha_0$	$q + \frac{2\alpha_0}{2p-q-2t}$	$p + \frac{\alpha_0}{2p-q-2t}$
$s_1$	$\alpha_0 + \alpha_1$	$-\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2 + \alpha_1$	$q$	$p - \frac{\alpha_1}{q}$
$s_2$	$\alpha_0 + \alpha_2$	$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$	$-\alpha_2$	$q + \frac{\alpha_2}{p}$	$p$

### 2.4 The case of $J = III$

$$C_2^{(1)} : \begin{array}{c} \alpha_0 \quad \alpha_1 \quad \alpha_2 \\ \circ \Rightarrow \circ \Leftarrow \circ \end{array} \quad (\alpha_0 + 2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1)$$

$$W(C_2^{(1)}) = \langle s_0, s_1, s_2 \rangle : s_0^2 = s_1^2 = s_2^2 = 1, \quad (s_0 s_1)^4 = (s_1 s_2)^4 = 1.$$

	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$	$t$	$q$	$p$
$s_0$	$-\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1 + \alpha_0$	$\alpha_2$	$t$	$q + \frac{\alpha_0}{p}$	$p$
$s_1$	$\alpha_0 + 2\alpha_1$	$-\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_1$	$-t$	$q$	$p - \frac{2\alpha_1}{q} + \frac{t}{q^2}$
$s_2$	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$	$-\alpha_2$	$t$	$q + \frac{\alpha_2}{p-1}$	$p$

### 2.5 The case of $J = II$

$$A_1^{(1)} : \begin{array}{c} \alpha_0 \quad \alpha_1 \\ \circ \Leftrightarrow \circ \end{array} \quad (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 = 1)$$

$$W(A_1^{(1)}) = \langle s_0, s_1 \rangle : s_0^2 = s_1^2 = 1.$$

	$\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1$	$q$	$p$
$s_0$	$-\alpha_0$	$\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_0$	$q + \frac{\alpha_0}{p-2q^2-t}$	$p + \frac{4\alpha_0 q}{p-2q^2-t} + \frac{2\alpha_0^2}{(p-2q^2-t)^2}$
$s_1$	$\alpha_0 + 2\alpha_1$	$-\alpha_1$	$q + \frac{\alpha_1}{p}$	$p$

### 3 Degeneration from $W_{VI}$ to $W_V$

In this case, the degeneration process is given by

$$(3.1) \quad \alpha_0 = \varepsilon^{-1}, \quad \alpha_1 = A_3, \quad \alpha_2 = A_2, \quad \alpha_3 = A_0 - A_2 - \varepsilon^{-1}, \quad \alpha_4 = A_1,$$

$$(3.2) \quad t = 1 + \varepsilon T, \quad (q-1)(Q-1) = 1, \quad (q-1)p + (Q-1)P = -A_2.$$

Notice that  $A_0 + A_1 + A_2 + A_3 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 = 1$  and the change of variables from  $(q, p)$  to  $(Q, P)$  is symplectic.

Each Bäcklund transformation in  $W_{VI}$  given in **2.1** is an differential isomorphism of the differential field  $K = \mathbf{C}(\alpha, t, q, p)$  of rational functions of  $\alpha = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_4), t, q, p$  equipped with a derivation  $\delta_{VI}$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{VI} q &= \{H_{VI}, q\}, \quad \delta_{VI} p = \{H_{VI}, p\}, \\ \delta_{VI} t &= t(t-1), \quad \delta_{VI} \alpha_i = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, 4. \end{aligned}$$

Since the change of parameters and variables (3.1),(3.2) is birational, we can obtain the action of  $W_{VI}$  on the differential field  $K' := \mathbf{C}(A, \varepsilon, T, Q, P)$  of rational functions of  $A = (A_0, A_1, A_2, A_3), \varepsilon, T, Q, P$ .

Let us see the actions of the generators  $s_i, i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$  on the parameters  $A_i, i = 0, 1, 2, 3$  and  $\varepsilon$  where

$$A_0 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3, \quad A_1 = \alpha_4, \quad A_2 = \alpha_2, \quad A_3 = \alpha_1 \quad \varepsilon = \frac{1}{\alpha_0}.$$

For example, the action of  $s_0$  is obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} s_0(A_0) &= s_0(\alpha_0 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3) = -\alpha_0 + (\alpha_2 + \alpha_0) + \alpha_3 = \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \\ &= A_0 - \varepsilon^{-1}, \quad s_0(A_1) = s_0(\alpha_4) = \alpha_4 = A_1, \\ s_0(A_2) &= s_0(\alpha_2) = \alpha_2 + \alpha_0 = A_2 + \varepsilon^{-1}, \quad s_0(A_3) = s_0(\alpha_1) = \alpha_1 = A_3, \\ s_0(\varepsilon) &= s_0(1/\alpha_0) = -1/\alpha_0 = -\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we have

$$\begin{aligned} s_1(A_0) &= A_0 + A_3, \quad s_1(A_1) = A_1, \quad s_1(A_2) = A_2 + A_3, \quad s_1(A_3) = -A_3, \quad s_1(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon \\ s_2(A_0) &= A_0, \quad s_2(A_1) = A_1 + A_2, \quad s_2(A_2) = -A_2, \quad s_2(A_3) = A_3 + A_2, \\ s_2(\varepsilon) &= \frac{\varepsilon}{1 + A_2\varepsilon}, \\ s_3(A_0) &= A_2 + \varepsilon^{-1}, \quad s_3(A_1) = A_1, \quad s_3(A_2) = A_0 - \varepsilon^{-1}, \quad s_3(A_3) = A_3, \quad s_3(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon, \\ s_4(A_0) &= A_0 + A_1, \quad s_4(A_1) = -A_1, \quad s_4(A_2) = A_2 + A_1, \quad s_4(A_3) = A_3, \quad s_4(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

We remark that  $s_3(A_0)$  and  $s_3(A_2)$  diverge as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

Observing these relations, we take a subgroup  $W_{VI \rightarrow V}$  of  $W_{VI}$  generated by  $S_0, S_1, S_2, S_3$  defined by

$$(3.3) \quad S_0 := s_0 s_2 s_3 s_2 s_0 = s_3 s_2 s_0 s_2 s_3, \quad S_1 := s_4, \quad S_2 := s_2, \quad S_3 := s_1.$$

We can easily check

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} S_0(A_0) &= -A_0, \quad S_0(A_1) = A_1 + A_0, \quad S_0(A_2) = A_2, \\ S_0(A_3) &= A_3 + A_0, \quad S_0(\varepsilon) = \frac{\varepsilon}{1 - A_2\varepsilon}, \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} S_1(A_0) &= A_0 + A_1, \quad S_1(A_1) = -A_1, \quad S_1(A_2) = A_2 + A_1, \\ S_1(A_3) &= A_3, \quad S_1(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} S_2(A_0) &= A_0, \quad S_2(A_1) = A_1 + A_2, \quad S_2(A_2) = -A_2, \\ S_2(A_3) &= A_3 + A_2, \quad S_2(\varepsilon) = \frac{\varepsilon}{1 + A_2\varepsilon}, \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} S_3(A_0) &= A_0 + A_3, \quad S_3(A_1) = A_1, \quad S_3(A_2) = A_2 + A_3, \\ S_3(A_3) &= -A_3, \quad S_3(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

and the generators satisfy the fundamental relations given in **2.2**. In short, the group  $W_{VI \rightarrow V} = \langle S_0, S_1, S_2, S_3 \rangle$  can be considered to be an affine Weyl group of the affine Lie algebra of type  $A_3^{(1)}$  with simple roots  $A_0, A_1, A_2, A_3$ .

Now we investigate how the generators of  $W_{VI \rightarrow V}$  act on  $T, Q$  and  $P$ . We can verify

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} S_0(T) &= T(1 - A_0\varepsilon), \quad S_0(Q) = Q + \frac{A_0(1 - Q(Q-1)P\varepsilon)}{P + T - T(Q-1)P\varepsilon}, \\ S_0(P) &= P \left( 1 + \frac{A_0T\varepsilon}{P + T - T(A_0 + QP)\varepsilon} \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.9) \quad S_1(T) = T, \quad S_1(Q) = Q, \quad S_1(P) = P - \frac{A_1}{Q},$$

$$(3.10) \quad S_2(T) = T(1 + A_2\varepsilon), \quad S_2(Q) = Q + \frac{A_2}{P}, \quad S_2(P) = P,$$

$$(3.11) \quad S_3(T) = T, \quad S_3(Q) = Q, \quad S_3(P) = P - \frac{A_3}{Q-1}.$$

By comparing (3.4) – (3.11) with the last list in **2.2**, we see that our theorem holds for  $W_{VI} \rightarrow W_V$ .

We notice that the system  $P_{VI}$  is written in the new variables as

$$P_{VI \rightarrow V} : \quad \delta_V Q = \{H_{VI \rightarrow V}, Q\}, \quad \delta_V P = \{H_{VI \rightarrow V}, P\}$$

where  $\delta_V = T\partial/\partial T$ ,  $H_{VI \rightarrow V} := H_{VI}/(1 + \varepsilon T)$ ,  $H_{VI \rightarrow V} \rightarrow H_V$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . We can verify that  $\delta_V$  commutes with any element  $W_{VI \rightarrow V}$ , and then for any  $w \in W_{VI \rightarrow V}$

$$\delta_V w(Q) = \{w(H_{VI \rightarrow V}), w(Q)\}, \quad \delta_V w(P) = \{w(H_{VI \rightarrow V}), w(P)\}.$$

## 4 Degeneration from $W_V$ to $W_{IV}$

The degeneration in the case is given by

$$(4.1) \quad \alpha_0 = A_0 + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{-2}, \quad \alpha_1 = A_1, \quad \alpha_2 = A_2, \quad \alpha_3 = -\frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{-2},$$

$$(4.2) \quad t = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{-2}(1 + 2\varepsilon T), \quad q = -\frac{\varepsilon Q}{1 - \varepsilon Q},$$

$$p = -\varepsilon^{-1}(1 - \varepsilon Q)[P - \varepsilon(A_2 + QP)].$$

Notice that  $A_0 + A_1 + A_2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1$  and the transformation from  $(q, p)$  to  $(Q, P)$  is symplectic, however the change of parameters (4.1) is not one to one differently from the case of  $P_{VI} \rightarrow P_V$ .

Since the generators of  $W_{V \rightarrow IV}$  should be reflections of  $A_0 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_3, A_1 = \alpha_1, A_2 = \alpha_2$ , we choose them as

$$(4.3) \quad S_0 := s_3 s_0 s_3 = s_0 s_3 s_0, \quad S_1 := s_1, \quad S_2 := s_2$$

and set  $W_{V \rightarrow IV} = \langle S_0, S_1, S_2 \rangle$ . Then we immediately have

$$(4.4) \quad S_0(A_0) = -A_0, \quad S_0(A_1) = A_1 + A_0, \quad S_0(A_2) = A_2 + A_0,$$

$$(4.5) \quad S_1(A_0) = A_0 + A_1, \quad S_1(A_1) = -A_1, \quad S_1(A_2) = A_2 + A_1,$$

$$(4.6) \quad S_2(A_0) = A_0 + A_2, \quad S_2(A_1) = A_1 + A_2, \quad S_2(A_2) = -A_2.$$

However, we see that  $S_i(\varepsilon)$  have ambiguities of signature. For example, since

$$S_2(\varepsilon)^2 = s_2(\varepsilon^2) = s_2((-1/2)/\alpha_3) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\alpha_3 + \alpha_2} = \frac{\varepsilon^2}{1 - 2A_2\varepsilon^2},$$

we can choose any one of the two branches as  $S_2(\varepsilon)$ . Among such possibilities, we take a choice as

$$(4.7) \quad S_0(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon(1 + 2A_0\varepsilon^2)^{-1/2}, \quad S_1(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon, \quad S_2(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon(1 - 2A_2\varepsilon^2)^{-1/2}$$

where  $(1 + 2A_0\varepsilon^2)^{1/2} = 1$  and  $(1 - 2A_2\varepsilon^2)^{1/2} = 1$  at  $A_0\varepsilon^2 = 0$  and  $A_2\varepsilon^2 = 0$  respectively, or considering in the category of formal power series, we make a convention that  $(1 + 2A_0\varepsilon^2)^{1/2}$  and  $(1 - 2A_2\varepsilon^2)^{1/2}$  are formal power series of  $A_0\varepsilon^2$  and  $A_2\varepsilon^2$  with constant terms 1 according to

$$(1 + x)^c \sim 1 + \sum_{n \geq 1} \binom{c}{n} x^n.$$

We notice that the generators acting on parameters  $A_0, A_1, A_2, \varepsilon$  satisfy the fundamental relations in **2.3**.

Now we observe the actions of  $S_i, i = 0, 1, 2$  on the variables  $T, Q, P$ . By means of (4.2), (4.7) and

$$S_0(t) = s_3 s_0 s_3(t) = t, \quad S_1(t) = s_1(t) = t, \quad S_2(t) = s_2(t) = t,$$



we can easily check

$$(4.8) \quad S_0(T) = (T - A_0\varepsilon)(1 + 2A_0\varepsilon^2)^{-1/2}, \quad S_1(T) = T,$$

$$(4.9) \quad S_2(T) = (T + A_2\varepsilon)(1 - 2A_2\varepsilon^2)^{-1/2}.$$

By (4.1),(4.2),(4.7) and the actions of  $s_1, s_2$  on  $q, p$ , we can easily verify

$$(4.10) \quad S_1(Q) = Q, \quad S_1(P) = P - \frac{A_1}{Q}$$

$$(4.11) \quad S_2(Q) = Q + \frac{A_2}{P}, \quad S_2(P) = P.$$

The forms of the actions  $S_0 = s_3s_0s_3$  on  $Q$  and  $P$  are complicated, but we can see that

$$(4.12) \quad S_0(Q) \rightarrow Q + \frac{2A_0}{2P - Q - 2T}, \quad S_0(P) \rightarrow P + \frac{A_0}{2P - Q - 2T}$$

as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  for arbitrarily fixed  $A = (A_0, A_1, A_2), T, Q$  and  $P$  with some generic conditions such as  $2P - Q - 2T \neq 0$ . Here we have to note that, although  $S_0(Q), S_0(P)$  contain formal power series of  $A, \varepsilon$ , they are analytic if  $\varepsilon$  is sufficiently small for any fixed  $A, T, Q, P$ .

By means of the above study, we define a differential field  $K'$  on which  $W_{V \rightarrow IV} = \langle S_0, S_1, S_2 \rangle$  acts as the field of rational functions of  $T, Q, P$  whose coefficients are formal power series of  $A_0, A_1, A_2, \varepsilon$ . Then the action of any  $w \in W_{V \rightarrow IV}$  is defined as an isomorphism from  $K'$  to itself.

The equations or property from (4.4) to (4.12) and the list in **2.3** show the theorem for  $W_V \rightarrow W_{IV}$ .

Since  $\delta_V = td/dt = (1 + 2\varepsilon T)(2\varepsilon)^{-1}d/dT = (1 + 2\varepsilon T)(2\varepsilon)^{-1}\delta_{IV}$  and the transformation from  $(q, p)$  to  $(Q, P)$  is symplectic, the system  $P_V$  is expressed as

$$P_{V \rightarrow IV} : \quad \delta_{IV}Q = \{H_{V \rightarrow IV}, Q\}, \quad \delta_{IV}P = \{H_{V \rightarrow IV}, P\}$$

in the new variables, where  $H_{V \rightarrow IV} = 2\varepsilon(1 + 2\varepsilon T)^{-1}H_V$ , and  $H_{V \rightarrow IV} \rightarrow H_{IV}$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . However  $\delta_{IV}$  does not commutes with the elements of  $W_{V \rightarrow IV}$  and then we have to notice that the transform of  $P_{V \rightarrow IV}$  by  $w \in W_{V \rightarrow IV}$  is

$$\delta_{IV}w(Q) = \left\{ \frac{2\varepsilon}{1 + 2\varepsilon T} w\left(\frac{1 + 2\varepsilon T}{2\varepsilon}\right) w(H_{V \rightarrow IV}), w(Q) \right\},$$

$$\delta_{IV}w(P) = \left\{ \frac{2\varepsilon}{1 + 2\varepsilon T} w\left(\frac{1 + 2\varepsilon T}{2\varepsilon}\right) w(H_{V \rightarrow IV}), w(P) \right\},$$

which is verified by the fact that  $\delta_V$  commutes with every  $w \in W_{V \rightarrow IV}$ .

## 5 Degeneration from $W_V$ to $W_{III}$

The degeneration in this case is

$$(5.1) \quad \alpha_0 = A_2, \quad \alpha_1 = \varepsilon^{-1}, \quad \alpha_2 = A_0, \quad \alpha_3 = 2A_1 - \varepsilon^{-1},$$

$$(5.2) \quad t = -\varepsilon T, \quad q = 1 + \frac{Q}{\varepsilon T}, \quad p = \varepsilon TP.$$

We see that  $A_0 + 2A_1 + A_2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1$  and the change of variables from  $(q, p)$  to  $(Q, P)$  is symplectic. As the case of  $P_{VI} \rightarrow P_V$ , the transformation given by (5.1) and (5.2) is birational, and we can easily obtain the actions of  $s_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$  on the differential field  $K' = \mathbf{C}(A_0, A_1, A_2, \varepsilon, T, Q, P)$ .

Choose  $S_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2$  as

$$(5.3) \quad S_0 := s_2, \quad S_1 := s_3 s_1 = s_1 s_3, \quad S_2 := s_0$$

which are reflections of  $A_0 = \alpha_2$ ,  $A_1 = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_3)/2$ ,  $A_2 = \alpha_0$  respectively.

It is easy to see that

$$(5.4) \quad S_0(A_0) = -A_0, \quad S_0(A_1) = A_1 + A_0, \quad S_0(A_2) = A_2, \quad S_0(\varepsilon) = \frac{\varepsilon}{1 + A_0 \varepsilon}$$

$$(5.5) \quad S_1(A_0) = A_0 + 2A_1, \quad S_1(A_1) = -A_1, \quad S_1(A_2) = A_2 + 2A_1, \quad S_1(\varepsilon) = -\varepsilon,$$

$$(5.6) \quad S_2(A_0) = A_0, \quad S_2(A_1) = A_1 + A_2, \quad S_2(A_2) = -A_2, \quad S_2(\varepsilon) = \frac{\varepsilon}{1 + A_2 \varepsilon}$$

and

$$(5.7) \quad S_0(T) = T(1 + A_0 \varepsilon), \quad S_0(Q) = Q + \frac{A_0}{P}, \quad S_0(P) = P,$$

$$(5.8) \quad S_1(T) = -T, \quad S_1(Q) = Q, \quad S_1(P) = P - \frac{2A_1}{Q} + \frac{T}{Q^2} + O(\varepsilon),$$

$$(5.9) \quad S_2(T) = T(1 + A_2 \varepsilon), \quad S_2(Q) = Q + \frac{A_2}{P-1}, \quad S_2(P) = P$$

where  $O(\varepsilon)$  is a rational function of  $A_i, i = 0, 1, 2$ ,  $\varepsilon, T, Q, P$  with a factor  $\varepsilon$ . The proof of the theorem for  $W_V \rightarrow W_{III}$  has thus been completed.

We see that  $\delta_V = td/dt = Td/dT = \delta_{III}$  and the system  $P_V$  is written in the new variables by

$$P_{V \rightarrow III} : \quad \delta_{III} Q = \{H_{V \rightarrow III}, Q\}, \quad \delta_{III} P = \{H_{V \rightarrow III}, P\}$$

where  $H_{V \rightarrow III} = H_V + QP$ , which converges to  $H_{III}$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Since  $\delta_{III}$  commutes with any element of  $W_{V \rightarrow III}$ , the transform of  $P_{V \rightarrow III}$  by  $w \in W_{V \rightarrow III}$  is

$$\delta_{III} w(Q) = \{w(H_{V \rightarrow III}), w(Q)\}, \quad \delta_{III} w(P) = \{w(H_{V \rightarrow III}), w(P)\}.$$

## 6 Degeneration from $W_{IV}$ to $W_{II}$

The degeneration is

$$(6.1) \quad \alpha_0 = A_0 - \frac{1}{4}\varepsilon^{-6}, \quad \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{4}\varepsilon^{-6}, \quad \alpha_2 = A_1,$$

$$(6.2) \quad t = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\varepsilon^{-3}(1 - \varepsilon^4 T), \quad q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\varepsilon^{-3}(1 + 2\varepsilon^2 Q), \quad p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\varepsilon P.$$

Then  $A_0 + A_1 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1$  and the change of variables from  $(q, p)$  to  $(Q, P)$  is symplectic. Since the change of parameters (6.1) is not one to one, we consider the degeneration process by introducing formal power series of the new parameters  $A = (A_0, A_1), \varepsilon$ .

We choose  $S_0$  and  $S_1$  as

$$(6.3) \quad S_0 := s_0 s_1 s_0 = s_1 s_0 s_1, \quad S_1 := s_2$$

and put  $W_{IV \rightarrow II} = \langle S_0, S_1 \rangle$ . Note that  $S_0, S_1$  are reflections of  $A_0 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1, A_1 = \alpha_2$  respectively.

Then we can obtain

$$(6.4) \quad S_0(A_0) = -A_0, \quad S_0(A_1) = A_1 + 2A_0, \quad S_0(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon(1 - 4A_0\varepsilon^6)^{-1/6},$$

$$(6.5) \quad S_1(A_0) = A_0 + 2A_1, \quad S_1(A_1) = -A_1, \quad S_1(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon(1 + 4A_1\varepsilon^6)^{-1/6}.$$

Here, we make the same convention as in Section 4 that  $(1 - 4A_0\varepsilon^6)^{-1/6}$  and  $(1 + 4A_1\varepsilon^6)^{-1/6}$  respectively mean formal power series of  $A_0\varepsilon^6$  and  $A_1\varepsilon^6$  with 1 as constant terms.

Let  $K'$  be a field of rational functions of  $T, Q, P$  whose coefficients are formal power series of  $A = (A_0, A_1), \varepsilon$ . Then we can verify

$$(6.6) \quad S_0(T) \rightarrow T, \quad S_0(Q) \rightarrow Q + \frac{A_0}{P - 2Q^2 - T},$$

$$S_0(P) \rightarrow P + \frac{4A_0Q}{P - 2Q^2 - T} + \frac{2A_0^2}{(P - 2Q^2 - T)^2},$$

$$(6.7) \quad S_1(T) \rightarrow T, \quad S_1(Q) \rightarrow Q + \frac{A_1}{P},$$

$$S_1(P) \rightarrow P$$

as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Concerning the convergence, remind the note in Section 4. Thus we have proved the theorem for  $W_{IV} \rightarrow W_{II}$ .

Since  $\delta_{IV} = (\sqrt{2}/\varepsilon)\delta_{II}$ , the system  $P_{IV}$  is written in the new variables as

$$P_{IV \rightarrow II} : \quad \delta_{II}Q = \{H_{IV \rightarrow II}, Q\}, \quad \delta_{II}P = \{H_{IV \rightarrow II}, P\}$$

where  $H_{IV \rightarrow II} = (\varepsilon/\sqrt{2})H_{IV}$  and  $H_{IV \rightarrow II} \rightarrow H_{II}$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Notice that  $\delta_{II}$  does not commute with elements of  $W_{IV \rightarrow II}$ , and the transform of  $P_{IV \rightarrow II}$  by

$w \in W_{IV \rightarrow II}$  is

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{II}w(Q) &= \{\varepsilon w(1/\varepsilon)w(H_{IV \rightarrow II}), w(Q)\}, \\ \delta_{II}w(P) &= \{\varepsilon w(1/\varepsilon)w(H_{IV \rightarrow II}), w(P)\}.\end{aligned}$$

## 7 Degeneration from $W_{III}$ to $W_{II}$

In this case, the degeneration of parameters is given by

$$(7.1) \quad \alpha_0 = A_1, \quad \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{4}\varepsilon^{-3}, \quad \alpha_2 = A_0 - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{-3}$$

and that of variables is given by the composition of the following two transformations:

$$(7.2) \quad t = -\tau^2, \quad q = -\frac{\tau}{x}, \quad p = \frac{x}{\tau}(A_1 + xy),$$

$$(7.3) \quad \tau = \frac{1 + \varepsilon^2 T}{4\varepsilon^3}, \quad x = 1 + 2\varepsilon Q, \quad y = \frac{P}{2\varepsilon}.$$

Note that  $A_0 + A_1 = \alpha_0 + 2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1$  and the transformations from  $(q, p)$  to  $(x, y)$  and from  $(x, y)$  to  $(Q, P)$  are symplectic.

Let us choose

$$(7.4) \quad S_0 := (s_2 s_1)^2 = (s_1 s_2)^2, \quad S_1 := s_0$$

as generators of  $W_{III \rightarrow II}$ . Then we see that

$$(7.5) \quad S_0(A_0) = -A_0, \quad S_0(A_1) = A_1 + 2A_0, \quad S_0(\varepsilon) = -\varepsilon,$$

$$(7.6) \quad S_1(A_0) = A_0 + 2A_1, \quad S_1(A_1) = -A_1, \quad S_1(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon(1 + 4A_1\varepsilon^3)^{-1/3}.$$

In the last equation of (7.5), we have chosen  $-1$  as a branch of  $(-1)^{1/3}$  in order that  $S_0^2(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon$ . As in Sections 4,6, we make a convention that  $(1 + 4A_1\varepsilon^3)^{-1/3}$  is a formal power series of  $A_1\varepsilon^3$  with 1 as a constant term.

By careful calculation, we can verify

$$(7.7) \quad \begin{aligned}S_0(T) &= T, \quad S_0(Q) \rightarrow Q + \frac{A_0}{P - 2Q^2 - T} \\ S_0(P) &\rightarrow P + \frac{4A_0Q}{P - 2Q^2 - T} + \frac{2A_0^2}{(P - 2Q^2 - T)^2},\end{aligned}$$

$$(7.8) \quad S_1(T) \rightarrow T, \quad S_1(Q) \rightarrow Q + \frac{A_1}{P}, \quad S_1(P) \rightarrow P$$

as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  for arbitrarily fixed  $A_0, A_1, T, Q, P$ . Thus we have proved the theorem for  $W_{III} \rightarrow W_{II}$ .

We see that  $\delta_{III} = (1 + \varepsilon^2 T)(2\varepsilon^2)^{-1}\delta_{II}$  and the system  $P_{III}$  is written in the new variables as

$$P_{III \rightarrow II} : \quad \delta_{II}Q = \{H_{III \rightarrow II}, Q\}, \quad \delta_{II}P = \{H_{III \rightarrow II}, P\}$$

where  $H_{III \rightarrow II} = (2\varepsilon^2)(1 + \varepsilon^2 T)^{-1}H_{III}$  and  $H_{III \rightarrow II} \rightarrow H_{II}$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . We notice that  $\delta_{II}$  does not commute with elements of  $W_{III \rightarrow II}$ , and the transform of  $P_{IV \rightarrow II}$  by  $w \in W_{III \rightarrow II}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{II}w(Q) &= \left\{ \frac{2\varepsilon^2}{1 + \varepsilon^2 T} w\left(\frac{1 + \varepsilon^2 T}{2\varepsilon^2}\right) w(H_{III \rightarrow II}), w(Q) \right\}, \\ \delta_{IV}w(P) &= \left\{ \frac{2\varepsilon^2}{1 + \varepsilon^2 T} w\left(\frac{1 + \varepsilon^2 T}{2\varepsilon^2}\right) w(H_{III \rightarrow II}), w(P) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

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