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# The Fuchsian differential equation of the square lattice Ising model $\chi^{(3)}$ susceptibility 

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#### Abstract

Using an expansion method in the variables $x_{i}$ that appear in $(n-1)$ dimensional integrals representing the $n$-particle contribution to the Ising square lattice model susceptibility $\chi$, we generate a long series of coefficients for the three-particle contribution $\chi^{(3)}$, using an $N^{4}$ polynomial time algorithm. We give the Fuchsian differential equation of order 7 for $\chi^{(3)}$ that reproduces all the terms of our long series. An analysis of the properties of this Fuchsian differential equation is performed.


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## 1. Introduction

Since the work of Wu et al [1], it has been known that the expansion in $n$-particle contributions to the zero-field susceptibility of the square lattice Ising model at temperature $T$ can be written as a sum

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi(T)=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \chi^{(n)}(T) \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

of ( $n-1$ )-dimensional integrals [2-7], the sum being restricted to odd (even) $n$ for the high (low) temperature case. While the first contribution in the sum, $\chi^{(1)}$, is obtained directly without integration, and the second one, $\chi^{(2)}$, is given in terms of elliptic integrals, no closed forms for the higher-order contributions are known despite the well-defined forms of these
( $n-1$ )-dimensional integrals. The $\chi^{(n)}$ are $(n-1)$-dimensional integrals of holonomic (algebraic) expressions, and are consequently holonomic, or ' $D$-finite': they are solutions of finite-order linear differential equations with polynomial coefficients [8, 9]. Unfortunately, such theorems of holonomy theory do not give any lower or upper bound, or hint, as to the order of the linear differential equation satisfied by a given $\chi^{(n)}$.

As far as singular points are concerned (physical or non-physical singularities in the complex plane), and besides the known $s= \pm 1$ and $s= \pm \mathrm{i}$ singularities, Nickel showed [6] that $\chi^{(2 n+1)}$ is singular ${ }^{4}$ for the following finite values of $s=\operatorname{sh}(2 J / k T)$ lying on the unit circle ( $m=k=0$ excluded):

$$
\begin{align*}
2\left(s+\frac{1}{s}\right) & =u^{k}+\frac{1}{u^{k}}+u^{m}+\frac{1}{u^{m}}  \tag{2}\\
u^{2 n+1} & =1, \quad-n \leqslant m, \quad k \leqslant n .
\end{align*}
$$

When $n$ increases, the singularities of the higher-particle components of $\chi(s)$ accumulate on the unit circle $|s|=1$. The existence of such a natural boundary for the total $\chi(s)$ shows that $\chi(s)$ is not $D$-finite (holonomic) as a function of $s$. To understand the analytical structure of such a transcendental function, it is thus crucial to better understand the analytical structure of the 'holonomic' $\chi^{(n)}$ and, as a first step, to find the still unknown linear differential equation verified by the three-particle contribution $\chi^{(3)}$.

A significant amount of work had already been performed to generate isotropic series coefficients for $\chi^{(n)}$ (by Nickel [6, 7] up to order 116, then to order 257 by Guttmann et al ${ }^{5}$ ). More recently, Orrick et al [10] have generated coefficients ${ }^{6}$ of $\chi(s)$ up to order 323 and 646 for high and low temperature series in $s$, using Perk's non-linear Painlevé difference equations for the correlation functions [10-14]. As a consequence of this non-linear Painlevé difference equation and the associated remarkable recursion on the coefficients, the computer algorithm had an $O\left(N^{6}\right)$ polynomial growth of the calculation of the series expansion instead of an exponential growth that one would expect at first sight. However, in such a non-linear, nonholonomic, Painlevé-oriented approach, one obtains results directly for the total susceptibility $\chi(s)$ which does not satisfy any linear differential equation, and thus prevents the easily disentangling of the contributions of the various holonomic $\chi^{(n)}$.

In contrast, we develop here, a strictly holonomic approach. This approach enables us to get 490 coefficients of the series expansion of $\chi^{(3)}$, from which we have deduced the Fuchsian differential equation of order 7 satisfied by $\chi^{(3)}$. This Fuchsian differential equation presents a large set of remarkable properties and structures that are briefly sketched here and will be analysed in more detail in forthcoming publications, along with the analytical behaviour of the solutions. The method used in this paper to obtain the Fuchsian differential equation is not specific of the third contribution $\chi^{(3)}$ and can be generalized, mutatis mutandis, to the other $\chi^{(n)}(n>3)$, without any drastic changes in the mathematical framework ${ }^{7}$.

## 2. Generating the series for $\chi^{(3)}$

Similarly to Nickel's papers [6, 7], we start using the multiple integral form of the $\chi^{(n)}$. We focus on $\chi^{(3)}$ and consider the double integral

[^0]\[

$$
\begin{align*}
& \chi^{(3)}(s)=\frac{\left(1-s^{4}\right)^{1 / 4}}{s} \tilde{\chi}^{(3)}(s) \\
& \tilde{\chi}^{(3)}(s)=\frac{1}{4 \pi^{2}} \int_{0}^{2 \pi} \mathrm{~d} \phi_{1} \int_{0}^{2 \pi} \mathrm{~d} \phi_{2} \tilde{y}_{1} \tilde{y}_{2} \tilde{y}_{3}\left(\frac{1+\tilde{x}_{1} \tilde{x}_{2} \tilde{x}_{3}}{1-\tilde{x}_{1} \tilde{x}_{2} \tilde{x}_{3}}\right) H^{(3)} \tag{3}
\end{align*}
$$
\]

with
$\tilde{x}_{j}=\frac{s}{1+s^{2}-s \cos \phi_{j}+\sqrt{\left(1+s^{2}-s \cos \phi_{j}\right)^{2}-s^{2}}}$,
$\tilde{y}_{j}=\frac{s}{\sqrt{\left(1+s^{2}-s \cos \phi_{j}\right)^{2}-s^{2}}}, \quad j=1,2,3, \quad \phi_{1}+\phi_{2}+\phi_{3}=0$.
Many forms [6, 7] for $H^{(3)}$ may be taken and are equivalent for integration purposes, e.g.,

$$
\begin{equation*}
H^{(3)}=f_{23}\left(f_{31}+\frac{f_{23}}{2}\right), \quad f_{i j}=\left(\sin \phi_{i}-\sin \phi_{j}\right) \frac{\tilde{x}_{i} \tilde{x}_{j}}{1-\tilde{x}_{i} \tilde{x}_{j}} . \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

It is straightforward to see that $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}$ is only a function of the variable $w=\frac{1}{2} s /\left(1+s^{2}\right)$. From now on, we thus focus on $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}$ seen as a function of the well-suited variable $w$ instead of $s$. We may expand the integrand in (3) in this variable $w$ and integrate the angular part. For $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}$, this would mean there are 18 sums to carry out. We, instead, expand the integrand in the variable $\tilde{x}$ of (4), where we succeeded in deriving remarkable formulae for $\tilde{y} \tilde{x}^{n}$ carrying one summation index. As a consequence, we are able to write $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}(w)$ as a fully integrated expansion. Our algorithm runs in a polynomial time calculations (namely $O\left(N^{4}\right)$ ). In contrast with Orrick et al's calculations [10], this calculation is not based on any recursion: it allows one to obtain any given coefficient separately without requiring the storage of all the previous data. The details of these calculations, tricks ${ }^{8}$, and of this program will be given elsewhere [15].

At present, we have obtained ${ }^{9}$ the expansion of $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}$ up to $w^{490}$. As expected, this expansion is in agreement with the previous results published by Nickel [6, 7] using a numerical method of integration, as well as the improved unpublished results (up to $w^{257}$ ) by Guttmann et al ${ }^{10}$. In terms of the well-suited variable $w$, the first terms of the expansion of $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}(w)$ read

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}(w)}{8}=w^{9}+36 w^{11}+4 w^{12}+884 w^{13}+196 w^{14}+18532 w^{15}+6084 w^{16}+\cdots \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 3. The Fuchsian differential equation satisfied by $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}(w)$

Given the expansion of $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}(w)$ up to $w^{490}$, the next step will be to encode all the numbers in this long series into a linear differential equation. Note that such an equation should exist [8, 9], though its order is unknown. Using a dedicated program for searching such a linear differential equation with polynomial coefficients in $w$ and steadily increasing the order, we succeeded finally in finding the following linear differential equation of order 7 satisfied by the 490 terms we have calculated for $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{n=0}^{7} a_{n} \frac{\mathrm{~d}^{n}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{n}} F(w)=0 \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

with

$$
a_{7}=w^{7}(1-w)(1+2 w)(1-4 w)^{5}(1+4 w)^{3}\left(1+3 w+4 w^{2}\right) P_{7}(w)
$$

[^1]\[

$$
\begin{align*}
& a_{6}=w^{6}(1-4 w)^{4}(1+4 w)^{2} P_{6}(w) \\
& a_{5}=w^{5}(1-4 w)^{3}(1+4 w) P_{5}(w) \\
& a_{4}=w^{4}(1-4 w)^{2} P_{4}(w), \quad a_{3}=w^{3}(1-4 w) P_{3}(w) \\
& a_{2}=w^{2} P_{2}(w), \quad a_{1}=w P_{1}(w), \quad a_{0}=P_{0}(w) \tag{8}
\end{align*}
$$
\]

where $P_{7}(w), P_{6}(w), \ldots, P_{0}(w)$ are polynomials of degree respectively $28,34,36,38,39$, 40, 40 and 36 in $w$. These quite large polynomials are given in the appendix.

Note that the series of $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}(w)$ up to order 359 is sufficient to identify the differential equation when the order $q=7$ and the successive degrees $47,46,45,44,43,42,41$ and 36 of the polynomials in front of the $F^{(n)}(w)$ are imposed. Within this framework, and since our series has 490 coefficients, we have here 131 verifications of the correctness of this differential equation.

At this point, let us remark that if one had worked with variable $s$, instead of $w$, the series in $s$ up to order 699 would be needed to obtain the seventh-order differential equation satisfied by $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}(s)$.

Since the singular points of this differential equation correspond to the roots of the polynomial corresponding to the highest order derivative $F^{(7)}(w)$, namely $a_{7}$, we give the exact expression of $P_{7}(w)$ :

$$
\begin{align*}
P_{7}(w)=1568 & +15638 w-565286 w^{2}-276893 w^{3} \\
& +34839063 w^{4}+100696470 w^{5}-1203580072 w^{6} \\
& -5514282112 w^{7}+18005067728 w^{8}+110343422816 w^{9} \\
& -140604884224 w^{10}-1825536178688 w^{11}+920432273408 w^{12} \\
& +28913052344320 w^{13}+38181758402560 w^{14} \\
& -112307319603200 w^{15}-544140071665664 w^{16} \\
& -1144172108054528 w^{17}-1027222993371136 w^{18} \\
& -1992177026596864 w^{19}-2948885085421568 w^{20} \\
& +2211524294737920 w^{21}+8204389336481792 w^{22} \\
& +675795924156416 w^{23}-2882636020187136 w^{24} \\
& -5364860829302784 w^{25}-222238787764224 w^{26} \\
& +158329674399744 w^{27}+39582418599936 w^{28} . \tag{9}
\end{align*}
$$

The differential equation (7) is an equation of the Fuchsian type since there are no singular points, finite or infinite, other than regular singular points. With this property, using the Frobenius method [16], it is straightforward to obtain, from the indicial equation, the critical exponents, in $w$, for each regular singular point. These are given in table 1 .

At this point, it is worth recalling the Fuchsian relation on Fuchsian type equations. Denoting $w_{1}, w_{2}, \ldots, w_{m}, w_{m+1}=\infty$, the regular singular points of a Fuchsian type equation of order $q$ and $\rho_{j, 1}, \ldots, \rho_{j, q}(j=1, \ldots, m+1)$ the $q$ roots of the indicial equation corresponding to each regular singular point $w_{j}$, the following Fuchsian relation holds:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{j=1}^{m+1} \sum_{k=1}^{q} \rho_{j, k}=\frac{(m-1) q(q-1)}{2} \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

The number of regular singular points is here $m+1=36$ corresponding respectively to the 28 roots of $P_{7}$, the two roots of $1+3 w+4 w^{2}$, five regular singular points, and the point at infinity $w=\infty$. The Fuchsian relation is actually verified here with $q=7, m=35$, the sum of all the $\rho_{j, k}$ being actually 714 .

Table 1. Critical exponents for each regular singular point. $w_{P}$ is any of the 28 roots of $P_{7}(w)$. We have also shown the corresponding roots in the $s$ variable ${ }^{11}$.

| $w=0$ | $s=0$ | $\rho=9,3,2,2,1,1,1$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $w=-1 / 4$ | $s=-1$ | $\rho=3,2,1,0,0,0,-1 / 2$ |
| $w=1 / 4$ | $s=1$ | $\rho=1,0,0,0,-1,-1,-3 / 2$ |
| $w=-1 / 2$ | $1+s+s^{2}=0$ | $\rho=5,4,3,3,2,1,0$ |
| $w=1$ | $2-s+2 s^{2}=0$ | $\rho=5,4,3,3,2,1,0$ |
| $1+3 w+4 w^{2}=0$ | $\left(2 s^{2}+s+1\right)\left(s^{2}+s+2\right)=0$ | $\rho=5,4,3,2,1,1,0$ |
| $1 / w=0$ | $1+s^{2}=0$ | $\rho=3,2,1,1,1,0,0$ |
| $w=w_{P}, 28$ roots | $s=s_{P}, 56$ roots | $\rho=7,5,4,3,2,1,0$ |

Let us comment on the singularities appearing in (7). The well-known ferromagnetic and antiferromagnetic critical points correspond respectively to $w=1 / 4$ and $w=-1 / 4$, while $w=0$ corresponds to the zero or infinite temperature points. The value $w=\infty$, or $s= \pm \mathrm{i}$, is known as a non-physical singularity. The values $w=1$ and $w=-1 / 2$ correspond to the non-physical singularities (11) described by Nickel for $n=1$ ( $m=k=0$ excluded):

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1}{w}=u^{k}+\frac{1}{u^{k}}+u^{m}+\frac{1}{u^{m}} \quad u^{3}=1, \quad-1 \leqslant m, \quad k \leqslant 1 . \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

Furthermore, besides the known singularities mentioned above, we remark on the occurrence of the roots of the polynomial $P_{7}$ of degree 28 in $w$, and the two quadratic numbers $1+3 w+4 w^{2}=0$ which are not of the form (11). The two quadratic numbers are not on the $s$-unit circle: $|s|=\sqrt{2}$ and $|s|=1 / \sqrt{2}$.

To analyse the local solutions of the differential equation, let us recall that, in general, it is known [16] that for a set of $k$ local exponents such that the difference, in absolute value, between any two of them is an integer, the local solutions may contain logarithmic terms up to $\log ^{k-1}$. In fact, the Fuchsian equation (7) is such that the occurrence of logarithmic terms, in the local solutions near a given regular singular point, is due only to the occurrence of multiple roots in the corresponding indicial equation: a root of multiplicity $p$ inducing logarithmic terms up to $\log ^{p-1}$, i.e., at most $\log ^{2}$ for (7), as it is shown also in the monodromy matrices (see below).

More precisely for $P_{7}$, near any of its roots, all the local solutions carry no logarithmic terms and are analytical since the exponents are all positive integers. The roots of $P_{7}$ are thus apparent singularities [16] of the Fuchsian equation (7). Note that the 'apparent' character of $P_{7}$ means that, to ensure the absence of logarithmic terms in the general solution, there are $q(q-1) / 2=21$ relations between the various $P_{n}$ at each root of $P_{7}$ (for more details see [16]).

The two unexpected quadratic numbers correspond to singularities of solutions of (7) which behave locally like $\left(1+3 w+4 w^{2}\right) \ln \left(1+3 w+4 w^{2}\right) q_{1}+q_{2}$, where $q_{1}$ and $q_{2}$ are analytic functions near the two quadratic roots $1+3 w+4 w^{2}=0$. This 'weakly' singular behaviour can also be seen on the monodromy matrix (see below) associated with these two roots, where one finds a nilpotent matrix of order 2 (no $\log ^{2}$ term).

Details on the local solutions of (7) around each regular singular point, together with the constants giving the particular physical solution $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}$, will be given in a forthcoming publication.

We will sketch here the analysis of the Fuchsian equation by focusing on the local solutions of (7) around $w=0$. Recall that the exponents near $w=0$ are respectively: 9, 3, 2, 1 and

[^2]again 2, 1, 1, all of them integers. Besides the $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)} / 8$ solution of the Fuchsian differential equation which behaves, near $w=0$, like (6), (which we will denote, from now on, by $S_{9}$, since its leading term behaves like $w^{9}$ ), one expects solutions with leading terms behaving like $w, w^{2}$ and $w^{3}$, because of the previous integer exponents near $w=0$. Furthermore, because of the singularity confluence (repetition of same exponents) and the occurrence of integer exponents, one also expects solutions with the above-mentioned logarithmic terms.

Actually, we have found two remarkable rational and algebraic solutions of (7), namely

$$
\begin{equation*}
S_{1}=\frac{w}{1-4 w}, \quad S_{2}=\frac{w^{2}}{(1-4 w) \sqrt{1-16 w^{2}}} \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

a solution behaving like $w^{3}$, that we denote by $S_{3}$ :
$S_{3}=w^{3}+3 w^{4}+22 w^{5}+74 w^{6}+417 w^{7}+1465 w^{8}+7479 w^{9}+26839 w^{10}+\cdots$
and three solutions $S_{1}^{(2)}$, $S_{2}^{(2)}$ and $S_{1}^{(3)}$ with logarithmic terms, behaving, at small $w$, as

$$
\begin{align*}
& S_{1}^{(2)}=w \ln (w) c_{1}-32 w^{4} c_{2}  \tag{14}\\
& S_{2}^{(2)}=w^{2} \ln (w) d_{1}+8 w^{4} d_{2}  \tag{15}\\
& S_{1}^{(3)}=3 w \ln (w)^{2} e_{1}-12 w^{3} \ln (w) e_{2}-19 w^{4} e_{3} \tag{16}
\end{align*}
$$

where $c_{1}, c_{2}, d_{1}, d_{2}, e_{1}, e_{2}, e_{3}$ denote functions that are analytical at $w=0$. However, these functions are not all independent. They can also be written in terms of $S_{1}, S_{2}, S_{3}$ and $S_{9}$ as follows:
$S_{1}^{(2)}=\ln (w)\left(S_{1}-4 S_{2}+16 S_{3}-216 S_{9}\right)-32 w^{4} c_{2}$
$S_{2}^{(2)}=\ln (w)\left(S_{2}-2 S_{3}+24 S_{9}\right)+8 w^{4} d_{2}$
$S_{1}^{(3)}=-3 \ln (w)^{2}\left(S_{1}+5 S_{2}-2 S_{3}\right)-6 \ln (w)\left(2 S_{3}-S_{1}^{(2)}-9 S_{2}^{(2)}\right)-19 w^{4} e_{3}$
where

$$
\begin{aligned}
& c_{2}=1+\frac{167}{96} w+\frac{2273}{96} w^{2}+\frac{6977}{120} w^{3}+\frac{19371}{40} w^{4}+\cdots \\
& d_{2}=1+\frac{5}{2} w+\frac{103}{4} w^{2}+\frac{315}{4} w^{3}+\frac{2191}{4} w^{4}+\cdots \\
& e_{3}=1+\frac{7693}{456} w+\frac{575593}{11400} w^{2}+\frac{2561473}{5700} w^{3}+\frac{127434803}{93100} w^{4}+\cdots
\end{aligned}
$$

Denoting $\Omega=2 \mathrm{i} \pi$, one immediately deduces from the previous relations (17), the monodromy around $w=0$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
& S_{1}^{(2)} \rightarrow S_{1}^{(2)}+\Omega\left(S_{1}-4 S_{2}+16 S_{3}-216 S_{9}\right) \\
& S_{2}^{(2)} \rightarrow S_{2}^{(2)}+\Omega\left(S_{2}-2 S_{3}+24 S_{9}\right) \\
& S_{1}^{(3)} \rightarrow S_{1}^{(3)}-6 \Omega\left(2 S_{3}-S_{1}^{(2)}-9 S_{2}^{(2)}\right)+3 \Omega^{2}\left(S_{1}+5 S_{2}-2 S_{3}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

This calculation is a straight consequence of the fact that one only have a 'logarithmic' monodromy, which just amounts to changing $\ln (w)$ into $\ln (w)+\Omega$, in the previous expressions. Denoting by $I d_{7}$ the $7 \times 7$ identity matrix, and taking the following order $S_{1}, S_{2}, S_{3}, S_{9}$, $S_{1}^{(2)}, S_{2}^{(2)}, S_{1}^{(3)}$ for our seven-dimensional basis of solutions of (7), one can see that any $n$th power of the $7 \times 7$ monodromy matrix $M, M_{n}=M^{n}$, satisfies $M_{n}^{3}-3 M_{n}^{2}+3 M_{n}-I d_{7}=0$, and can be written as the following sum of the identity matrix, and the two first powers of the order-3 nilpotent matrix $N\left(N^{3}=0\right)$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
M^{n}=I d_{7}+n \Omega N+\frac{(n \Omega N)^{2}}{2}=\exp (n \Omega N) \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
N=\left[\begin{array}{ccccccc}
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -4 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 16 & -2 & -12 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -216 & 24 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 54 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

As it should, one can check that the form (18), valid for any positive or negative integer $n$, is such that $M^{n} \cdot M^{m}=M^{m+n}$.

The monodromy matrices corresponding to the other regular singular points yield very similar results. Those corresponding to $w= \pm 1 / 4$ are matrices of determinant -1 , while all the others are of determinant +1 . The monodromy around the 28 roots of $P_{7}$ is of course trivial (apparent singularities). The monodromy matrices corresponding to the other regular singular points verify very simple relations like the previous relation $M_{n}^{3}-3 M_{n}^{2}+3 M_{n}-I d_{7}=0$ or $M_{n}^{2}-2 M_{n}+I d_{7}=0$, and also $M_{n}^{6}-3 M_{n}^{4}+3 M_{n}^{2}-I d_{7}=0$ for those corresponding to $w= \pm 1 / 4$. This is a straight consequence of the fact that, in a Jordan form, only very simple Jordan blocks occur ${ }^{12}$, such as

$$
J_{2}=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 1  \tag{19}\\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right], \quad J_{3}=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
1 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 1 \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

For instance, the monodromy matrices around the points $w=0$ and $w=\infty$ are on the same footing, both requiring one $J_{3}$ Jordan block, one $J_{2}$ block, and the $2 \times 2$ identity matrix. There is another set of monodromy matrices corresponding to the points $w=1, w=-1 / 2$ and the two roots of $1+3 w+4 w^{2}=0$ (associated with $J_{2}$ blocks). More precisely, the monodromy matrices for $w=0$ and $w=\infty$ verify $M_{n}^{3}-3 M_{n}^{2}+3 M_{n}-I d_{7}=0$, but for $w=-1 / 2$ and $w=1$ they verify $M_{n}^{2}-2 M_{n}+I d_{7}=0$, as well as for the two roots of $1+3 w+4 w^{2}=0$.

A detailed analysis of the monodromy group will be performed elsewhere. However, such an analysis of the Galois group ${ }^{13}$ becomes easier to perform when taking into account some remarkable factorization and decomposition properties that are sketched in the next section.

## 4. Algebraic properties of the Fuchsian equation

Let us define

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \lambda=w^{2}\left(1+3 w+4 w^{2}\right)^{5}(1+2 w)^{3}(-1+4 w)^{47 / 2}(1+4 w)^{31 / 2}(1-w)^{3} \\
& f=(1-w)(1+2 w)(1-4 w)^{5}(1+4 w)^{3}\left(1+3 w+4 w^{2}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

[^3]We denote by $L_{7}$ the seventh-order linear differential operator, corresponding to the Fuchsian differential equation (7):

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{7}=\frac{\mathrm{d}^{7}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{7}}+\frac{1}{a_{7}\left(L_{7}\right)} \sum_{k=0}^{6} a_{k}\left(L_{7}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d}^{k}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{k}} \tag{20}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the $a_{k}\left(L_{7}\right)$ are the polynomials $a_{k}$ defined in (8). Polynomial $a_{7}\left(L_{7}\right)$ reads $a_{7}\left(L_{7}\right)=$ $w^{7} f P_{7}$, where we distinguish the 'actual' and the apparent singularities.

We now give some remarkable factorization properties of the linear differential operator $L_{7}$. The fact that the very simple expression $S_{1}$ (see (12)) is a solution of the differential operator $L_{7}$ and that it is also solution of the first-order differential operator $L_{1}$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{1}=\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{~d} w}-\frac{1}{w(1-4 w)} \tag{21}
\end{equation*}
$$

implies the following factorization of $L_{7}$ (or more precisely the right-division of $L_{7}$ by $L_{1}$ ):

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{7}=M_{6} L_{1} \tag{22}
\end{equation*}
$$

Similarly, the fact that $S_{2}$ is a solution of $L_{7}$ and that it is also clearly a solution of a first-order differential operator $N_{1}$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
N_{1}=\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{~d} w}-\frac{2(1+2 w)}{w\left(1-16 w^{2}\right)} \tag{23}
\end{equation*}
$$

implies the existence of another factorization of $L_{7}$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{7}=N_{6} N_{1} \tag{24}
\end{equation*}
$$

The linear differential operators of order 6 read ( $X_{6}$ denoting $M_{6}$ or $N_{6}$ )

$$
\begin{equation*}
X_{6}=\frac{\mathrm{d}^{6}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{6}}+\frac{1}{a_{6}\left(X_{6}\right)} \sum_{k=0}^{5} a_{k}\left(X_{6}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d}^{k}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{k}} \tag{25}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $a_{k}\left(X_{6}\right)$ are polynomials in $w$ and $a_{6}\left(M_{6}\right)=a_{6}\left(N_{6}\right)=w^{4} f P_{7}(w)$.
These two factorizations are consequences of the existence of remarkable simple algebraic solutions of $L_{7}$. Besides this, there exists another factorization of $L_{7}$ related to the adjoint differential equation of (3.1). This is explained as follows. One can also see that the adjoint of $L_{7}$, denoted by $L_{7}^{*}$, admits the following rational solution ${ }^{14}$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
S_{1}^{*}=\frac{f Q_{6}(w)}{w^{3} P_{7}} \tag{26}
\end{equation*}
$$

with

$$
\begin{align*}
Q_{6}=1+19 w & -368 w^{2}-3296 w^{3}+17882 w^{4}+272599 w^{5} \\
& +160900 w^{6}-6979208 w^{7}+7550800 w^{8}+203094872 w^{9} \\
& -278920192 w^{10}-3959814304 w^{11}-2115447424 w^{12} \\
& +20894729472 w^{13}+39719728128 w^{14}+20516098048 w^{15} \\
& +256763363328 w^{16}-327065010176 w^{17}-8810227761152 w^{18} \\
& +414933057536 w^{19}+116411936538624 w^{20} \\
& +296827723186176 w^{21}+317648030138368 w^{22} \\
& +179148186189824 w^{23}+194933533179904 w^{24} \\
& +112931870081024 w^{25}-55246164328448 w^{26} \\
& +11063835754496 w^{27}+1511828488192 w^{28} \tag{27}
\end{align*}
$$

[^4]yielding immediately the following factorization (or more precisely the left-division of $L_{7}$ by $M_{1}$ ):
\[

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{7}=M_{1} L_{6}, \quad \text { where } \quad L_{6}=L_{5} N_{1} \tag{28}
\end{equation*}
$$

\]

with

$$
\begin{equation*}
M_{1}=\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{~d} w}+\frac{1}{S_{1}^{*}} \frac{\mathrm{~d} S_{1}^{*}}{\mathrm{~d} w} \tag{29}
\end{equation*}
$$

and where $L_{5}$ and $L_{6}$ are linear differential operators of order 5 and 6 respectively, which read

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{q}=\frac{\mathrm{d}^{q}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{q}}+\frac{1}{a_{q}\left(L_{q}\right)} \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} a_{k}\left(L_{q}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d}^{k}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{k}}, \quad q=5,6 \tag{30}
\end{equation*}
$$

with

$$
\begin{align*}
& a_{6}\left(L_{6}\right)=w^{6} f Q_{6}(w) \\
& a_{5}\left(L_{6}\right)=w^{5}(1-4 w)^{4}(1+4 w)^{2} Q_{5}(w)  \tag{31}\\
& a_{5}\left(L_{5}\right)=w^{3}(1-4 w)(1+4 w)^{2} f Q_{6}(w)
\end{align*}
$$

The roots of polynomial $Q_{6}(w)$ are apparent singularities of the differential equations associated with the operators $L_{6}$ and $L_{5}$.

One can also see that $M_{6}$ in (22) can also be decomposed as follows:

$$
M_{6}=M_{5} T_{1} \quad \text { with } \quad M_{5}=\frac{\mathrm{d}^{5}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{5}}+\frac{1}{a_{5}\left(M_{5}\right)} \sum_{k=0}^{4} a_{k}\left(M_{5}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d}^{k}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{k}}
$$

where
$a_{5}\left(M_{5}\right)=w^{4}(1-4 w)^{5}(1+4 w)^{4} f P_{7}(w), \quad$ and $\quad T_{1}=\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d} w}-\frac{1+4 w+48 w^{2}}{w\left(1-16 w^{2}\right)}$.
Calculations seem to show that $L_{5}$ (resp. $M_{5}$ ) is irreducible: we have not found any further factorizations like $L_{5}=L_{4} A_{1}$ or $L_{5}=B_{1} L_{4}$, or even $L_{5}=L_{3} A_{2}$ or $L_{5}=B_{2} L_{3}$.

One can also be interested in the Wronskians of $L_{7}$ and $L_{6}$. They can be written as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
W\left(L_{7}\right)=\frac{P_{7}}{\lambda}, \quad W\left(L_{6}\right)=\frac{f Q_{6}(w)}{w^{3} \lambda} \tag{32}
\end{equation*}
$$

thus checking the following relation on the Wronskians of $L_{7}, L_{6}$ and $M_{1}$, deduced from (28), namely

$$
\begin{equation*}
W\left(L_{7}\right)=W\left(M_{1}\right) W\left(L_{6}\right) \tag{33}
\end{equation*}
$$

From these factorizations, and/or decompositions, relations, corresponding to the existence of rational, or algebraic (square root of rational), expressions, one should not be surprised to find that the Wronskians of all the various operators we define here, are remarkable rational, or algebraic (square root of rational), expressions (see (32)). The fact that the squares of the Wronskians (32) are rational functions corresponds to the following identities between $P_{7}$ and $P_{6}$ (resp. $Q_{6}$ and $Q_{5}$ ):

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{P_{7}^{\prime}}{P_{7}}-\frac{\lambda^{\prime}}{\lambda}+\frac{(1-4 w)^{4}(1+4 w)^{2}}{w f} \frac{P_{6}}{P_{7}}=0 \tag{34}
\end{equation*}
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{Q_{6}^{\prime}}{Q_{6}}-\frac{3}{w}+\frac{f^{\prime}}{f}-\frac{\lambda^{\prime}}{\lambda}+\frac{(1-4 w)^{4}(1+4 w)^{2}}{w f} \frac{Q_{5}}{Q_{6}}=0 \tag{35}
\end{equation*}
$$

The Wronskians (or their inverse for the adjoints) of all the differential operators $L_{7}, L_{7}^{*}, M_{6}, M_{6}^{*}, M_{5}, M_{5}^{*}$ can be expressed as simple powers of $P_{7}$ divided by a simple expression similar to $\lambda$ in (20). Similarly, the Wronskians (or their inverse for the adjoints) of all the differential operators $L_{6}, L_{6}^{*}, L_{5}, L_{5}^{*}$ can be expressed as simple powers of $Q_{6}$ divided by a simple $\lambda$-like expression. All these Wronskians are thus rational $\left(L_{5}, L_{5}^{*}, M_{5}, M_{5}^{*}\right)$ or such that their square is rational $\left(L_{7}, L_{7}^{*}, L_{6}, L_{6}^{*}, M_{6}, M_{6}^{*}\right)$. Of course, there are relations between these Wronskians which are in agreement with the operator factorizations previously described (see (33)).

Besides the 'fundamental' singularities $w=0,-1 / 2, \pm 1 / 4,1$ and the 'unexpected' quadratic numbers singularities solutions of $1+3 w+4 w^{2}=0$, one could say that a large part of the 'arithmetic complexity' of the operator $L_{7}$ arises from the two polynomials of degree 28 in $w, P_{7}$ and $Q_{6}$.

The occurrence of the apparent singularities, associated with the quite large polynomial $P_{7}$, can be considered slightly unpleasant or disturbing: one would like to exchange the seventh-order Fuchsian equation (7) for another differential equation (or a differential system) where these 'spurious' singularities have disappeared. This is the so-called desingularization problem for differential equations [17, 18]. We have performed such 'desingularization': the 'price' to be paid is that one has no longer a seventh-order differential equation, but an eighth-order differential equation. The associated eighth-order differential operator reads
$L_{8}=\frac{\mathrm{d}^{8}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{8}}+\frac{1}{a_{8}\left(L_{8}\right)} \sum_{k=0}^{7} a_{k}\left(L_{8}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d}^{k}}{\mathrm{~d} w^{k}} \quad$ with
$a_{8}\left(L_{8}\right)=w^{n_{1}}(1-4 w)^{n_{2}}(1+4 w)^{n_{3}}(1+2 w)^{n_{4}}(1-w)^{n_{5}}\left(1+3 w+4 w^{2}\right)^{n_{6}}$
$n_{1}, \ldots, n_{6}$ being positive integers. The other polynomials, $a_{k}\left(L_{8}\right)$, are quite large and will not be given here. Let us sketch this desingularization procedure. Recall the exponents associated with the roots of $P_{7}$ (see table 1). They are $0,1,2,3,4,5,7$; one sees that the exponent 6 is missing. Basically, the method amounts to building a differential equation having all the solutions of (7), together with a solution ${ }^{15}$ associated with this missing exponent 6 , in order to 'fill the gap' and make the roots of $P_{7}$ ordinary points for the homogenous differential equation associated with $L_{8}$. Note too that the desingularized differential equation, or equivalently the operator $L_{8}$ are far from being unique. The various eighth order $L_{8}$ operators are, by construction, of the form $L_{8}=\tilde{L}_{1} L_{7}$, where the first-order operator $\tilde{L}_{1}$ is quite involved ${ }^{16}$. From a desingularized form like (36) one can also introduce a differential system ${ }^{17}$ :

$$
\begin{align*}
\theta Y=A Y, \quad Y= & \left(y, \theta y, \theta^{2} y, \theta^{3} y, \ldots\right) \quad \text { with } \\
A= & \frac{A_{0}}{w}+\frac{A_{1}}{w-1 / 4}+\frac{A_{2}}{w+1 / 4}+\frac{A_{3}}{w+1 / 2}  \tag{3}\\
& +\frac{A_{4}}{w-1}+\frac{A_{5} w+A_{6}}{w^{2}+3 / 4 w+1 / 4}+P(w) I d_{8}
\end{align*}
$$

[^5]where $I d_{8}$ denotes the $8 \times 8$ identity matrix, $P(w)$ denotes a polynomial in $w$, and where the $A_{n}$ matrices are very simple $8 \times 8$ matrices, simply related to the monodromy matrices, and where $\theta$ denotes the 'well-suited' derivation associated with the 'true' singularities:
$$
\theta=w(1-w)(1+2 w)(1-4 w)(1+4 w)\left(1+3 w+4 w^{2}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{~d} w}
$$

A form like (37) is clearly much simpler, and more canonical: the calculations one has in mind (Galois group, rigidity index (see below)) should be much simpler to perform with this canonical system form (37). Details will be given elsewhere.

## 5. Comments and speculations

A better understanding of the total susceptibility $\chi$ certainly requires an exhaustive knowledge of the singularities of the successive Fuchsian differential equations associated with the $n$-particle contributions $\chi^{(n)}$. Besides the apparent singularities associated with the roots of the polynomial $P_{7}$, we have noted the occurrence of the two rather unexpected quadratic number solutions of $1+3 w+4 w^{2}=0$, which, also, are not of Nickel's form (11). The elliptic parametrization of the Onsager model is well known. Recalling the exact expression of the modular invariant $\mathcal{M}$ for the Ising model (see for instance [20]):

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{M}=\frac{1}{1728} \frac{\left(1-16 w^{2}+16 w^{4}\right)^{3}}{w^{8}\left(1-16 w^{2}\right)} \tag{38}
\end{equation*}
$$

it can be seen that the two quadratic numbers correspond to a rational value of the modular invariant: $\mathcal{M}=-125 / 64$, while $w=1$ also corresponds to a rational value $\mathcal{M}=-1 / 25920$, that $w= \pm 1 / 4,0, \infty$ correspond to $\mathcal{M}=\infty$, and that $w=-1 / 2$ corresponds to the rational value $\mathcal{M}=32 / 81$. Could this mean that the Fuchsian equation (7) could be 'canonically' associated with an elliptic curve? One can, for instance, recall the period mappings and Picard-Fuchs equations (and beyond mirror symmetries) associated with a family of elliptic curves [21, 22]. The Picard-Fuchs equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
144 s(s-1)^{2}\left(s \frac{\mathrm{~d}^{2} f}{\mathrm{~d} s^{2}}+\frac{\mathrm{d} f}{\mathrm{~d} s}\right)+(31 s-4) f=0 \tag{39}
\end{equation*}
$$

is associated with the family of elliptic curves:

$$
y^{2}=4 x^{3}+\frac{27}{1-s} x+\frac{27 s}{1-s} .
$$

We now make a few comments on the physical solution $S_{9}$. The Fuchsian equation is highly non-trivial and structured: from the previous factorizations, and/or decompositions, one might imagine that $S_{9}=\tilde{\chi}^{(3)} / 8$ is in fact a solution of a sixth-order homogeneous differential equation, or even a fifth-order homogeneous differential equation. This is not the case. Relation (28) means that $S_{9}=\tilde{\chi}^{(3)} / 8$ can be seen as a linear combination of $S_{1}$ and of a solution of a sixth-order linear homogeneous differential equation, $S\left(L_{6}\right)$, associated with the operator $L_{6}$. The solution $S_{9}=\tilde{\chi}^{(3)} / 8$ is actually such a linear combination $S_{9}=\alpha S_{1}+S\left(L_{6}\right)$, $\alpha$ being different from zero ${ }^{18}$. The three-particle contribution, $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}$, is thus a solution of the seventh-order differential equation (7) and not of a homogeneous linear differential of smaller order.

Coming back to the analysis of the Galois monodromy group [23-25] of the Fuchsian equation (7), it is clear that the previous factorizations, and/or decompositions, impose severe

[^6]reductions of the group. From these various factorizations, or decompositions, of the linear operator $L_{7}=M_{1} L_{6}=M_{1} L_{5} N_{1}$, one can deduce that the Galois monodromy group is isomorphic to $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{6}\right)$, the Galois monodromy group of $L_{6}$. Introducing $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{5}\right)$, the Galois monodromy group of $L_{5}$, one deduces from $L_{6}=L_{5} N_{1}$ that the operator $N_{1}$ injects $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{5}\right)$ in $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{6}\right)$. This does not mean that $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{6}\right)$ is isomorphic to $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{5}\right)$, but that knowledge of $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{5}\right)$ is required to describe $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{6}\right)$. Recalling the rationality of the Wronskian of $L_{5}$, one deduces that $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{5}\right)$ is a subgroup of $\operatorname{SL}(5, C)$ and not $G L(5, C)$ (the rationality of the Wronskian means that all the monodromy matrices of $L_{5}$ have +1 determinants). The monodromy matrices of $L_{6}$ (as well as the one of the Fuchsian equation (7)) have $\pm 1$ determinants. The Galois group $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{6}\right)$ is, up to a $Z_{2}$-graduation, a subgroup of $S L(6, C)$. Therefore the Galois group of the Fuchsian equation (7) is represented by $6 \times 6$ matrices with $\pm 1$ determinants, most of its structure requiring the analysis of a $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{5}\right)$ subgroup of $S L(5, C)$. Of course, one can also understand the Galois group of the Fuchsian equation (7) from the analysis of the Galois group of $M_{5}$, namely $\operatorname{Gal}\left(M_{5}\right)$ which is also a subgroup of $S L(5, C)$ (isomorphic to $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{5}\right)$ ). It seems that $L_{5}$ is not self-adjoint ${ }^{19}$ (modulo conjugation by an operator) and irreducible (see section 4). The two facts seem to rule out the existence of a symplectic structure. A more detailed analysis of the Galois group of the Fuchsian equation (7), that is, of the Galois groups $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{5}\right)$, and $\operatorname{Gal}\left(L_{6}\right)$, will be given in forthcoming publications.

Let us now focus again on the 'physical' solution of the Fuchsian equation (7), $S_{9}=\tilde{\chi}^{(3)} / 8$, and on its successive derivatives $S_{9}^{\prime}, S_{9}^{\prime \prime}, S_{9}^{(3)}, \ldots$. We have seen that, as far as the linear dependence of these expressions is concerned, we have a seven-dimensional vector space ( $S_{9}$ is not a solution of a homogeneous sixth-order differential equation ${ }^{20}$ ). However, to better understand the 'true nature' of the susceptibility $\chi$, one would like to characterize the 'degree of transcendence' of $S_{9}=\tilde{\chi}^{(3)} / 8$, that is the minimal number of successive derivatives of $S_{9}$ satisfying an algebraic non-linear relation ${ }^{21}$. The Galois monodromy group gives a valuable information about this 'degree of transcendence'. Let us consider the orbit of $S_{9}$ under the Galois monodromy group: one gets an algebraic variety dense in the subspace of solutions. The dimension of this algebraic variety is actually this degree of transcendence. This analysis, however, requires an exact knowledge of the Galois monodromy group.

The susceptibility $\chi$ has been shown to be a transcendental (non-holonomic, non- $D$-finite) function: it cannot be a solution of a linear differential equation, but this does not mean that it cannot be a solution of a differential equation. Along the previous 'non-linear' line, one should emphasize that the possibility that $\chi$ could be a solution of some (Painlevé-like?) non-linear differential equation, is not yet totally ruled out !

Within the 'linear' Picard-Vessiot Galois monodromy group framework, one can also try to evaluate the 'index of rigidity [26,27]' of our Fuchsian differential equation, or the 'index of rigidity' of the operators $L_{6}$ or $L_{5}$. Roughly speaking, this index of rigidity corresponds to the number of parameters that can be introduced to deform the linear differential equation, keeping the local monodromy matrices fixed ${ }^{22}$. For instance, the hypergeometric functions are totally rigid: as a consequence, 'almost everything' can be calculated on such functions ${ }^{23}$.

[^7]The differential operators $L_{7}, L_{6}$ or $L_{5}$ have many integer exponents, and, thus, their solutions have logarithmic behaviours $\left(w-w_{0}\right)^{n}\left(\ln \left(w-w_{0}\right)\right)^{m}$ around each regular singular point $w_{0}$. However, recalling (14)-(16), and, more generally, considering the behaviour near all the singular points, one sees that only $\ln \left(w-w_{0}\right)$ and $\left(\ln \left(w-w_{0}\right)\right)^{2}$ behaviours occur ${ }^{24}$, thus downsizing (see for instance (4.31) in chapter 4 of [19]) the index of rigidity of these differential equations. This is a strong indication that the Fuchsian differential equation (7), or the differential equations associated with $L_{6}$ or $L_{5}$, are extremely rigid. This can also be seen on the various monodromy matrices. The calculation of the index of rigidity, or in other words, the calculation of the 'small' number of deformation parameters of (7) (resp. $L_{6}, L_{5}$ ) will be performed elsewhere. This remarkable rigidity is not a surprise, when recalling the well-known isomonodromy theory of the Ising model, and in particular the occurrence of Painlevé equations for the correlation functions of the Ising model. Does the deformation theory of (7) in this 'small' number of deformation parameters actually yield Painlevé-like equations? This is an open question. From a more down-to-earth viewpoint, this rigidity can be seen as 'inherited' from the 'total' rigidity of hypergeometric functions: our calculations for generating the $w$-series of $\tilde{\chi}^{(3)}$ are actually 'flooded' by linear combinations (with binomial coefficients) of products of hypergeometric functions (see [15] for more details).

## 6. Conclusion

The linear differential equation we have found for the three-particle contribution, $\chi^{(3)}(w)$, to the susceptibility of the square lattice Ising model, is a highly structured and remarkable Fuchsian differential equation. We have sketched many of its remarkable properties and symmetries. It is also worth recalling that the 28 roots of the polynomial $P_{7}$ are apparent singularities. We have been able to desingularize the Fuchsian equation (7), in order to get rid of these apparent singularities related to the quite involved polynomial $P_{7}$. A deeper analysis of this Fuchsian equation (monodromy group, critical behaviour of the solutions around the various singular points, ...) will be given in forthcoming publications.

All these results can be generalized, mutatis mutandis, to deduce the Fuchsian equations corresponding to the other $n$-particle contributions $\chi^{(n)}$. The building of a computer program with a polynomial growth algorithm which can be generalized, mutatis mutandis, for the other $\chi^{(n)}$, was the key ingredient to get our Fuchsian equation. The ideas developed to create such polynomial growth programs underline the role played by hypergeometric functions, coming from a large number of remarkable identities on the underlying variables of the problem. One may also think that quite complicated 'fusion-type' relations on these hypergeometric functions can exist. This is crystal clear in the case of the two-particle contribution $\chi^{(2)}$ [15]. This however remains to be done in full.

Clearly, beyond $\chi^{(3)}$, a global understanding of the structure of the hierarchy of all the $\chi^{(n)}$ could be contemplated. A better understanding of the total susceptibility $\chi$ certainly requires an exhaustive knowledge of the singularities of the successive $n$-particle contributions $\chi^{(n)}$, or equivalently, of the corresponding successive Fuchsian equations. As far as analytical properties are concerned, we saw the occurrence in (7) of unexpected quadratic numbers singularities, $1+3 w+4 w^{2}=0$ (these two singularities are not on the $s$-unit circle: $|s|=\sqrt{2}, 1 / \sqrt{2}$ ). Curiously these unexpected singularities correspond to a rational value of the modular invariant. Could this mean that the Fuchsian equations for the successive $\chi^{(n)}$ are

[^8]'canonically ${ }^{25}$, associated with an elliptic curve? Should we rather understand this hierarchy of Fuchsian equations in a monodromy deformation theory framework?

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## Appendix. Polynomials $P_{n}(w)$ in the Fuchsian equation

Polynomial $P_{7}(w)$ is given by (9) in section (3). The other polynomials $P_{n}(w)$ appearing in the Fuchsian differential equation (7) read

$$
\begin{aligned}
P_{6}(w)=3136 & +6230 w-1288476 w^{2}-7772841 w^{3} \\
& +277143780 w^{4}+732977973 w^{5}-18314746506 w^{6} \\
& -101718010128 w^{7}+452850229584 w^{8}+5020805303808 w^{9} \\
& +4377337992544 w^{10}-73511705229376 w^{11}-186599549300224 w^{12} \\
& +688266934443264 w^{13}+2381942017561600 w^{14} \\
& -13406576297476096 w^{15}-77552054198255616 w^{16} \\
& -62473896968192000 w^{17}+566118199235182592 w^{18} \\
& +2369604602508869632 w^{19}+4584125159341817856 w^{20} \\
& +4971774665178480640 w^{21}+3170276040215887872 w^{22} \\
& +1261285614288896000 w^{23}-8024300542522032128 w^{24} \\
& -31609194971091959808 w^{25}-29166209814268739584 w^{26} \\
& +24411784646567657472 w^{27}+51268404625232887808 w^{28} \\
& +10909442606601601024 w^{29}-17298536175450980352 w^{30} \\
& -22524507245688913920 w^{31}-803311991346167808 w^{32} \\
& +643451796760559616 w^{33}+146929937842962432 w^{34} \\
P_{5}(w) / 6=- & 3920-50036 w+657618 w^{2}+2310157 w^{3} \\
& +57981516 w^{4}+181765533 w^{5}-11381944688 w^{6} \\
& -33790012308 w^{7}+657375534560 w^{8}+3674875492384 w^{9} \\
& -15457278513824 w^{10}-174877902064256 w^{11}-206023873360512 w^{12} \\
& +2321200148914432 w^{13}+7637039509704192 w^{14} \\
& -10941480730198016 w^{15}-57737025315979264 w^{16} \\
& +333899549028417536 w^{17}+2028881272344543232 w^{18} \\
& +1222238943086247936 w^{19}-18595611014197673984 w^{20}
\end{aligned}
$$

[^9]$-73371220994829582336 w^{21}-136060398285342375936 w^{22}$
$-130703266473798795264 w^{23}-33617340512551829504 w^{24}$
$+47269092026654654464 w^{25}+245063107203464953856 w^{26}$
$+871739136776752594944 w^{27}+840904901895399669760 w^{28}$
$-705023849231934291968 w^{29}-1481188430646115041280 w^{30}$
$-248371837196692357120 w^{31}+505171752077683064832 w^{32}$
$+650337237640855683072 w^{33}+21867227990697443328 w^{34}$
$-17401908960159596544 w^{35}-3837066882519662592 w^{36}$
\[

$$
\begin{aligned}
P_{4}(w) / 6=- & 7056-13104 w+2506404 w^{2}+1259339 w^{3} \\
& -359569248 w^{4}-428625637 w^{5}+8930176742 w^{6} \\
& +69389677460 w^{7}+920192243600 w^{8}+525802739312 w^{9} \\
& -66986033783136 w^{10}-321567362559104 w^{11}+1507253461327104 w^{12} \\
& +15854341774929408 w^{13}+19827226028548096 w^{14} \\
& -208498487994075136 w^{15}-800525602082496512 w^{16} \\
& +379859514866270208 w^{17}+5816896580823547904 w^{18} \\
& -14688677131958616064 w^{19}-137800861295028207616 w^{20} \\
& -109673724325574737920 w^{21}+1354846365315969843200 w^{22} \\
& +5431000042449334697984 w^{23}+9682487489883942158336 w^{24} \\
& +7749700391834618953728 w^{25}-2836837181330888327168 w^{26} \\
& -10485165507686497779712 w^{27}-19367241815023243231232 w^{28} \\
& -61606957967732285374464 w^{29}-62643820304216178556928 w^{30} \\
& +51399211277287142981632 w^{31}+110092134743407020998656 w^{32} \\
& +14704654025943970480128 w^{33}-36421957747996203417600 w^{34} \\
& -46895199293473812381696 w^{35}-1463841015681251278848 w^{36} \\
& +1169710924017684185088 w^{37}+247301662738168676352 w^{38}
\end{aligned}
$$
\]

$$
\begin{array}{rl}
P_{3}(w) / 24=1 & 176+39165 w-111851 w^{2}-1452994 w^{3} \\
& -90264295 w^{4}+972420723 w^{5}+7178728056 w^{6} \\
& -70427808098 w^{7}-317540045900 w^{8}+888133573032 w^{9} \\
& +4217523435760 w^{10}+23547919136672 w^{11}+401845338005952 w^{12} \\
& +712331078523008 w^{13}-16653133041821440 w^{14} \\
& -74889208419079168 w^{15}+120983404722343936 w^{16} \\
& +1366892656163995648 w^{17}+1829356747554029568 w^{18} \\
& -9248788319075762176 w^{19}-24093227195123630080 w^{20} \\
& +127341774687128518656 w^{21}+525164234385471307776 w^{22} \\
& -644362399842190753792 w^{23}-6429747279373369606144 w^{24} \\
& -13753237664850887311360 w^{25}-11960934773929684238336 w^{26} \\
& +10341155047878439206912 w^{27}+31548255587180394577920 w^{28}
\end{array}
$$

$+21693775230535695597568 w^{29}+80462590470670803533824 w^{30}$
$+133478662641301713846272 w^{31}-46344436740351141609472 w^{32}$
$-207592709560542819254272 w^{33}-36213581400524839714816 w^{34}$
$+44445693989421790003200 w^{35}+85438178092213447163904 w^{36}$
+2909091172100717150208w $w^{37}-1891728016277722103808 w^{38}$
$-399487301346272477184 w^{39}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
P_{2}(w) / 72= & -1176-16821 w+839088 w^{2}-2878234 w^{3} \\
& -71167476 w^{4}+109739861 w^{5}+6432618268 w^{6} \\
& -21417815362 w^{7}-254004975528 w^{8}+1030191905368 w^{9} \\
& +8000380525216 w^{10}-13987657721184 w^{11}-219692635648128 w^{12} \\
& -417714927227008 w^{13}+1674667676301824 w^{14} \\
& +15330153372840960 w^{15}+61497900657864704 w^{16} \\
& -108873249301118976 w^{17}-1185903579503919104 w^{18} \\
& -498853942809591808 w^{19}+4365043032530354176 w^{20} \\
& +11674438159933898752 w^{21}+5472466729424650240 w^{22} \\
& -337576830221284278272 w^{23}-414945238559185960960 w^{24} \\
& +3113569948545201471488 w^{25}+8126785668395210637312 w^{26} \\
& +7805558664896966557696 w^{27}-8675362761934406418432 w^{28} \\
& -40254564885047208312832 w^{29}-17663002412421715329024 w^{30} \\
& -38277737546064114745344 w^{31}-117625478085203210534912 w^{32} \\
& -6012197099489206468608 w^{33}+184415824559553757839360 w^{34} \\
& +36963534321273456820224 w^{35}-16913165943698375049216 w^{36} \\
& -70229132589215514624000 w^{37}-2453777249773560004608 w^{38} \\
& +1374858894243665018880 w^{39}+283618690133284356096 w^{40}
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
P_{1}(w) / 144= & 1176+16821 w-768528 w^{2}+1899102 w^{3} \\
& +56695732 w^{4}+163586783 w^{5}-4480702956 w^{6} \\
& -13818112782 w^{7}+157508067656 w^{8}+584220528520 w^{9} \\
& -2535531982304 w^{10}-20821129786656 w^{11}+6679807576960 w^{12} \\
& +371148445353600 w^{13}+955941942180352 w^{14} \\
& +785650593293312 w^{15}-14505053424140288 w^{16} \\
& -117899907678912512 w^{17}-153119877068947456 w^{18} \\
& +1420625324053364736 w^{19}+3040635334768197632 w^{20} \\
& -7193741764733173760 w^{21}-7973580760814714880 w^{22} \\
& +18405525037504266240 w^{23}-10951758401377402880 w^{24} \\
& +187576386178953248768 w^{25}+305700612663177904128 w^{26} \\
& -503386718550834020352 w^{27}-1383072333737664446464 w^{28} \\
& -3780852827519851692032 w^{29}-2230104054258024316928 w^{30}
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& -2250983642905414991872 w^{31}-6782647014847754010624 w^{32} \\
& -412473237357748813824 w^{33}+13047063298849892204544 w^{34} \\
& +2535930506801169039360 w^{35}-745586680909881409536 w^{36} \\
& -4195130074493381246976 w^{37}-119111202944694878208 w^{38} \\
& +75228128175596765184 w^{39}+13835058055282163712 w^{40} \\
P_{0}(w) / 144= & -1176-16821 w+768528 w^{2}-2087262 w^{3} \\
& -58935060 w^{4}-159320031 w^{5}+4757419020 w^{6} \\
& +12149431566 w^{7}-164975954696 w^{8}-382313175368 w^{9} \\
& +3160132542624 w^{10}+13583301151264 w^{11}-47535172103808 w^{12} \\
& -319412544892544 w^{13}+211706943961600 w^{14} \\
& +2610513380346880 w^{15}+5790941980340224 w^{16} \\
& +14136566976020480 w^{17}-26366616404557824 w^{18} \\
& -218243250597134336 w^{19}-348350268790538240 w^{20} \\
& -527584581302353920 w^{21}-1152148919510106112 w^{22} \\
& +5019232088025464832 w^{23}+20995090120504770560 w^{24} \\
& -2862851276960432128 w^{25}-45728966345075195904 w^{26} \\
& -19865512629325791232 w^{27}+14110731441708990464 w^{28} \\
& +60954514514413355008 w^{29}+6199491584732430336 w^{30} \\
& -40858450222481670144 w^{31}-20303410194697682944 w^{32} \\
& +15185715731028246528 w^{33}+8460504481224720384 w^{34} \\
& +2428566099059539968 w^{35}+243194379878006784 w^{36} .
\end{aligned}
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[^0]:    4 The singularities being logarithmic branch points of order $\epsilon^{2 n(n+1)-1} \ln (\epsilon)$ with $\epsilon=1-s / s_{i}$ where $s_{i}$ is one of the solutions of (2).
    5 Private communication.
    ${ }^{6}$ The short-distance terms were shown to have the form $\left(T-T_{c}\right)^{p}\left(\log \left|T-T_{c}\right|\right)^{q}$ with $p \geqslant q^{2}$.
    ${ }^{7}$ But certainly requiring larger computer calculations.

[^1]:    ${ }^{8}$ For instance, our calculations also underline the important role played by hypergeometric functions.
    ${ }^{9}$ We can get a new coefficient every two days.
    ${ }^{10}$ Private communication.

[^2]:    ${ }^{11}$ In the variable $s$, the local exponents for $w= \pm 1 / 4$, are twice those given.

[^3]:    ${ }^{12}$ We thank Jacques-Arthur Weil for this result.
    ${ }^{13}$ The main difficulty is to find a global structure like the monodromy Galois group from the knowledge of all these local monodromy matrices expressed in the different well-suited local basis associated with each regular singular point.

[^4]:    ${ }^{14}$ We thank Jacques-Arthur Weil for the remarkable results (26) and (28).

[^5]:    ${ }^{15}$ The solution $S=P_{7}^{6}$ is too naive; it picks out the apparent singularities of $P_{7}$ but introduces new spurious apparent singularities.
    ${ }^{16}$ As far as the solutions of $L_{8}$ are concerned, the differential operator $L_{8}$ adds to the known solutions of $L_{7}$, a solution with a strong exponential behaviour.
    ${ }^{17}$ See for instance chapter 6 of [19].

[^6]:    ${ }^{18}$ The coefficient $\alpha$ characterizing the 'projection' of $S_{9}$ on $S_{1}$, can easily be calculated writing $L_{6}\left(S_{9}-\alpha S_{1}\right)=0$. One finds $\alpha=1 / 24$.

[^7]:    ${ }^{19}$ However it can be shown that $L_{6}$ is not self-adjoint (modulo conjugation by an operator). $L_{6}$ has $S_{2}$ as a solution. If it were self-adjoint, $L_{6}^{*}$ would have a similar quadratic solution which is not the case.
    ${ }^{20}$ To be totally rigorous one should add that the minimal operator of $S_{9}$ is a factor of $L_{7}$, and since these factors are of order 1 or 6 , and that $S_{9}$ does not vanish on these factors, it must vanish on $L_{7}$.
    ${ }^{21}$ For instance the Weierstrass $\mathcal{P}$ function verifies the non-linear relation $\mathcal{P}^{\prime 2}=4 \mathcal{P}^{3}+g_{2} \mathcal{P}+g_{3}$.
    ${ }^{22}$ See the notion of rigid local systems [27, 28]. Basically it amounts to calculating the dimensions of the centralizers of all the monodromy matrices.
    ${ }^{23}$ In the case of totally rigid systems, N Katz has shown that the solutions have a geometric interpretation: they can be seen as periods of some algebraic varieties [27].

[^8]:    ${ }^{24}$ This can be seen directly on the very simple Jordan blocks for the monodromy matrices (see (19)).

[^9]:    ${ }^{25}$ See for instance the Picard-Fuchs equation (39) associated with a family of elliptic curves [21, 22].

