

XIII. *Addition to Memoir on the Transformation of Elliptic Functions.*

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I HAVE recently succeeded in completing a theory considered in my ‘Memoir on the Transformation of Elliptic Functions,’ *Phil. Trans.*, vol. 164 (1874), pp. 397–456—that of the septic transformation,  $n=7$ . We have here

$$\frac{1-y}{1+y} = \frac{1-x}{1+x} \left( \frac{\alpha - \beta x + \gamma x^2 - \delta x^3}{\alpha + \beta x^2 + \gamma x^2 + \delta x^3} \right)^2,$$

a solution of

$$\frac{Mdy}{\sqrt{1-y^2} \cdot \sqrt{1-v^2y^2}} = \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2} \cdot \sqrt{1-u^2x^2}},$$

where  $\frac{1}{M} = 1 + \frac{2\beta}{\alpha}$ ; and the ratios  $\alpha : \beta : \gamma : \delta$ , and the  $uv$ -modular equation are determined by the equations

$$\begin{aligned} u^{14}\alpha^2 &= v^2\delta^2, \\ u^6(2\alpha\gamma + 2\alpha\beta + \beta^2) &= v^2(\gamma^2 + 2\gamma\delta + 2\beta\delta), \\ \gamma^2 + 2\beta\gamma + 2\alpha\delta + 2\beta\delta &= v^2u^2(2\alpha\gamma + 2\beta\gamma + 2\alpha\delta + \beta^2), \\ \delta^2 + 2\gamma\delta &= v^2u^{10}(\alpha^2 + 2\alpha\beta); \end{aligned}$$

or, what is the same thing, writing  $\alpha=1$ , the first equation may be replaced by  $\delta = \frac{u^7}{v}$ , and then,  $\alpha, \delta$  having these values, the last three equations determine  $\beta, \gamma$  and the modular equation. If instead of  $\beta$  we introduce  $M$ , by means of the relation  $\frac{1}{M} = 1 + 2\beta$ , that is  $2\beta = \frac{1}{M} - 1$ , then the last equation gives  $2\gamma = u^3v^3\left(\frac{1}{M} - \frac{u^4}{v^4}\right)$ ; and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  having these values, we have the residual two equations

$$\begin{aligned} u^6(2\alpha\gamma + 2\alpha\beta + \beta^2) &= v^2(\gamma^2 + 2\gamma\delta + 2\beta\delta), \\ \gamma^2 + 2\beta\gamma + 2\alpha\delta + \beta\delta &= v^2u^2(2\alpha\gamma + 2\beta\gamma + 2\alpha\delta + \beta^2), \end{aligned}$$

viz., each of these is a quadric equation in  $\frac{1}{M}$ ; hence eliminating  $\frac{1}{M}$ , we have the modular equation; and also (linearly) the value of  $\frac{1}{M}$ , and thence the values of  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  in terms of  $u, v$ .

Before going further it is proper to remark that, writing as above  $\alpha=1$ , then if  $\delta=\beta\gamma$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 1-\beta x+\gamma x^2-\delta x^3 &= (1-\beta x)(1+\gamma x^2), \\ 1+\beta x+\gamma x^2+\delta x^3 &= (1+\beta x)(1+\gamma x^2), \end{aligned}$$

and the equation of transformation becomes

$$\frac{1-y}{1+y} = \frac{1-x}{1+x} \left( \frac{1-\beta x}{1+\beta x} \right)^2,$$

viz., this belongs to the cubic transformation. The value of  $\beta$  in the cubic transformation was taken to be  $\beta = \frac{u^3}{v}$ , but for the present purpose it is necessary to pay attention to an omitted double sign, and write  $\beta = \pm \frac{u^3}{v}$ ; this being so,  $\delta = \beta\gamma$ , and giving to  $\gamma$  the value  $\mp u^4$ ,  $\delta$  will have its foregoing value  $= \frac{u^7}{v}$ . And from the theory of the cubic equation, according as  $\beta = \frac{u^3}{v}$  or  $= -\frac{u^3}{v}$ , the modular equation must be  $u^4 - v^4 + 2uv(1 - u^2v^2) = 0$ , or  $u^4 - v^4 - 2uv(1 - u^2v^2) = 0$ .

We thus see *a priori*, and it is easy to verify that the equations of the septic transformation are satisfied by the values

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha=1, \beta &= \frac{u^3}{v}, \gamma = u^4, \delta = \frac{u^7}{v}, \text{ and } u^4 - v^4 + 2uv(1 - u^2v^2) = 0; \\ \alpha=1, \beta &= -\frac{u^3}{v}, \gamma = -u^4, \delta = \frac{u^7}{v}, \text{ and } u^4 - v^4 - 2uv(1 - u^2v^2) = 0; \end{aligned}$$

and it hence follows that in obtaining the modular equation for the septic transformation, we shall meet with the factors  $u^4 - v^4 \pm 2uv(1 - u^2v^2)$ . Writing for shortness  $uv = \theta$ , these factors are  $u^4 - v^4 \pm 2\theta(1 - \theta^2)$ , the factor for the proper modular equation is  $u^8 + v^8 - \Theta$ , where

$$\Theta = 8\theta - 28\theta^2 + 56\theta^3 - 70\theta^4 + 56\theta^5 - 28\theta^6 + 8\theta^7$$

[viz., the equation  $(1 - u^8)(1 - v^8) - (1 - uv)^8 = 0$  is  $u^8 + v^8 - \Theta = 0$ ], and the modular equation as obtained by the elimination from the two quadric equations in fact presents itself in the form

$$(u^4 - v^4 + 2\theta - 2\theta^3)^2 (u^4 - v^4 - 2\theta + 2\theta^3)^2 (u^8 + v^8 - \Theta) = 0.$$

Proceeding to the investigation, we substitute the values

$$\alpha=1, \beta = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{M} - 1 \right), \gamma = \frac{1}{2} u^3 v^3 \left( \frac{1}{M} - \frac{u^4}{v^4} \right), \delta = \frac{u^7}{v}$$

in the residual two equations, which thus become

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{M^2}(1-v^8) &+ \frac{2}{M}(1-uv)^3(1+uv) \\ &+ \left\{ (1-u^8) - 4(1-uv)\left(1 + \frac{u^7}{v}\right) \right\} = 0, \\ \frac{1}{M^2} \left\{ -u^2v^2(1-uv)^3(1+uv) \right\} &+ \frac{2}{M} \left\{ u^2v^2(1-u^8) + \frac{u^3}{v}(1+u^2v^2)(u^4-v^4) \right\} \\ &+ \left\{ \frac{u^{14}}{v^2} + 6\frac{u^7}{v}(1-u^2v^2) - u^2v^2 \right\} = 0, \end{aligned}$$

the first of which is given p. 432 of the ‘Memoir.’ Calling them

$$(a, b, c) \left( \frac{1}{M}, 1 \right)^2 = 0, \quad (a', b', c') \left( \frac{1}{M}, 1 \right)^2 = 0,$$

we have

$$\frac{1}{M^2} : \frac{2}{M} : 1 = bc' - b'c : ca' - c'a : ab' - a'b,$$

and the result of the elimination therefore is

$$(ca' - c'a)^2 - 4(bc' - b'c)(ab' - a'b) = 0.$$

Write as before  $uv = \theta$ . In forming the expressions  $ca' - c'a$ , &c., to avoid fractions we must in the first instance introduce the factor  $v^2$ , thus

$$\begin{aligned} v^2(ca' - c'a) &= v \{ v(1-u^8) - 4(1-\theta)(v+u^7) \} \{ -\theta^2(1+\theta)(1-\theta)^3 \} \\ &\quad - \{ u^{14} + 6u^6\theta(1-\theta^2) - v^2\theta^2 \} \{ 1-v^8 \}, \\ &= -\theta^2(1+\theta)(1-\theta)^3 \{ v^2(-3+4\theta) + u^6(-4\theta+3\theta^2) \} \\ &\quad - \{ u^{14} + 6u^6(\theta-\theta^3) - v^2\theta^2 \} (1-v^8); \end{aligned}$$

but instead of  $\theta^2v^2$  writing  $u^2v^4$ , the expression on the right hand side becomes divisible by  $u^2$ ; and we find

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v^2}{u^2}(ca' - c'a) &= -(1+\theta)(1-\theta)^3 \{ v^4(-3+4\theta) + u^4(-4\theta^3+3\theta^4) \} \\ &\quad - \{ u^{12} + 6u^4(\theta-\theta^3) - v^4 \} (1-v^8), \end{aligned}$$

and thence

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{v^2}{u^2}(ca' - c'a) &= u^{12} \\ &\quad + u^4(6\theta - 10\theta^3 + 11\theta^4 - 6\theta^5 - 8\theta^6 + 10\theta^7 - 4\theta^8) \\ &\quad + v^4(-4 + 10\theta - 8\theta^2 - 6\theta^3 + 11\theta^4 - 10\theta^5 + 6\theta^7) + v^{12}, \end{aligned}$$

and similarly we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v^2}{u^2}(bc' - b'c) &= u^{12}(5 - 5\theta + 4\theta^2 - 5\theta^3 + 2\theta^4) + u^4(9\theta - 16\theta^2 + \theta^3 + 10\theta^4 + \theta^5 - 16\theta^6 + 9\theta^7) \\ &\quad + v^4(2 - 5\theta + 4\theta^2 - 5\theta^3 + 5\theta^4), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v^2}{u^2}(ab' - a'b) &= u^4(\theta + \theta^3 - \theta^4) \\ &\quad + v^4(2 - 5\theta + 4\theta^2 + 3\theta^3 - 10\theta^4 + 3\theta^5 + 4\theta^6 - 5\theta^7 + 2\theta^8) \\ &\quad + v^{12}(-1 + \theta + \theta^3); \end{aligned}$$

say these values are

$$u^{12} + pu^4 + qv^4 + v^{12}, \lambda u^{12} + \mu u^4 + \nu v^4, \rho u^4 + \sigma v^4 + \tau v^{12}.$$

The required equation is thus

$$0 = (u^{12} + pu^4 + qv^4 + v^{12})^2 - 4(\lambda u^{12} + \mu u^4 + \nu v^4)(\rho u^4 + \sigma v^4 + \tau v^{12}),$$

viz., the function is

$$\begin{aligned} & u^{24} \\ & + u^{16}(2p - 4\lambda\rho) \\ & + u^8(2q\theta^4 + p^2 - 4\lambda\sigma\theta^4 - 4\mu\rho) \\ & + (2\theta^{12} + 2pq\theta^4 - 4\lambda\tau\theta^{12} - 4\mu\sigma\theta^4 - 4\nu\rho\theta^4) \\ & + v^8(2p\theta^4 + q^2 - 4\mu\tau\theta^4 - 4\nu\sigma) \\ & + v^{16}(2q - 4\nu\tau) \\ & + v^{24}, \end{aligned}$$

or say it is

$$= (1, b, c, d, e, f, 1 \chi u^{24}, u^{16}, u^8, 1, v^8, v^{16}, v^{24}).$$

Supposing that this has a factor  $u^8 - \Theta + v^8$ , the form is

$$(u^{16} + Bu^8 + C + Dv^8 + v^{16})(u^8 - \Theta + v^8);$$

and comparing coefficients we have

$$\begin{aligned} B - \Theta &= b, \\ C - \Theta B + \theta^8 &= c, \\ D\theta^8 - \Theta C + B\theta^8 &= d, \\ \theta^8 - \Theta D + C &= e, \\ -\Theta + D &= f, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Theta$  has the before-mentioned value

$$= (8, -28, +56, -70, +56, -28, +8 \chi \theta, \theta^2, \theta^3, \theta^4, \theta^5, \theta^6, \theta^7);$$

from the first, second, and fifth equations,  $B = b + \Theta$ ,  $C = c + \Theta B - \theta^8$ ,  $D = f + \Theta$ ; and the third and fourth equations should then be verified identically. Writing down the coefficients of the different powers of  $\theta$  we find

$$\begin{array}{rcccccccc} 2p = 0 + 12 & 0 - 20 + 22 - 12 - 16 + 20 - 8(\theta^0 \dots \theta^8) & & & & & & & \\ -4\lambda\rho = 0 - 20 + 20 - 36 + 60 - 44 + 36 - 28 + 8 & & & & & & & & \text{,,} \\ \hline b = 0 - 8 + 20 - 56 + 82 - 56 + 20 - 8 & 0 & & & & & & & \text{,,} \\ \Theta = 0 + 8 - 28 + 56 - 70 + 56 - 28 + 8 & 0 & & & & & & & \text{,,} \\ \hline \therefore B = 0 & 0 - 8 & 0 + 12 & 0 - 8 & 0 & 0 & & & \text{,,} \end{array}$$

that is

$$B = -8\theta^2 + 12\theta^4 - 8\theta^6;$$

and in precisely the same way the fifth equation gives

$$D = -8\theta^2 + 12\theta^4 - 8\theta^6.$$

We find similarly C from the second equation: writing down first the coefficients of  $p^2$ ,  $2q\theta^4$ ,  $-4\lambda\sigma\theta^4$ , and  $-4\mu\rho$ , the sum of these gives the coefficients of  $c$ ; and then writing underneath these the coefficients of  $B\Theta$  and of  $-\theta^8$ , the final sum gives the coefficients of C: the coefficients of each line belong to  $(\theta^0, \theta^1, \dots, \theta^{16})$ .

0	0	36	0	-120	+132	+	28	-316	+361	-	20	-340	+396	-	144	-112	+164	-80	+16	
0	0	0	+64	-208	+352	-272	-160	+463	-160	-272	+352	-208	+64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	+16	0	-48	0	+70	0	-48	0	+16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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that is

$$C = 16\theta^4 - 48\theta^6 + 70\theta^8 - 48\theta^{10} + 16\theta^{12},$$

and in precisely the same way this value of C would be found from the fourth equation. There remains to be verified only the fourth equation  $(D+B)\theta^8 - \Theta C = d$ , that is

$$2\theta^8(-8\theta^2 + 12\theta^4 - 8\theta^6) - \Theta C = (2 - 4\lambda\tau)\theta^{12} + (2pq - 4\mu\sigma - 4\nu\rho)\theta^4,$$

and this can be effected without difficulty.

The factor of the modular equation thus is

$$u^{16} + v^{16} + (-8\theta^2 + 12\theta^4 - 8\theta^6)(u^8 + v^8) + 16\theta^4 - 48\theta^6 + 70\theta^8 - 48\theta^{10} + 16\theta^{12},$$

viz., this is

$$\begin{aligned} & (u^8 + v^8)^2 + (-4\theta^2 + 6\theta^4 - 4\theta^6)2(u^8 + v^8) + 16\theta^4 - 48\theta^6 + 68\theta^8 - 48\theta^{10} + 16\theta^{12}, \\ & = (u^8 + v^8 - 4\theta^2 + 6\theta^4 - 4\theta^6)^2, \\ & = \{(u^4 - v^4)^2 - 4\theta^2(1 - \theta^2)\}^2 \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\{u^4 - v^4 - 2\theta(1 - \theta^2)\}^2 \{u^4 - v^4 + 2\theta(1 - \theta^2)\}^2;$$

or the modular equation is

$$\{u^4 - v^4 - 2\theta(1 - \theta^2)\}^2 \{u^4 - v^4 + 2\theta(1 - \theta^2)\}^2 (u^8 + v^8 - \Theta) = 0;$$

viz., the first and second factors belong to the cubic transformation; and we have for the proper modular equation in the septic transformation  $u^8 + v^8 - \Theta = 0$ , or what is the same thing  $(1 - u^8)(1 - v^8) - (1 - \theta)^8 = 0$ , that is  $(1 - u^8)(1 - v^8) - (1 - uv)^8 = 0$ , the known result; or as it may also be written  $(\theta - u^8)(\theta - v^8) + 7\theta^2(1 - \theta)^2(1 - \theta + \theta^2)^2 = 0$ .

The value of  $M$  is given by the foregoing relations

$$\frac{1}{M^2} : \frac{2}{M} : 1 = \lambda u^{12} + \mu u^4 + \nu v^4 : -(u^{12} + pu^4 + qv^4 + v^{12}) : \rho u^4 + \sigma v^4 + \tau v^{12};$$

but these can be, by virtue of the proper modular equation,  $u^8 + v^8 - \Theta = 0$ , reduced into the form

$$\frac{1}{M^2} : \frac{2}{M} : 1 = 7(\theta - u^8) : 14(\theta - 2\theta^2 + 2\theta^3 - \theta^4) : -\theta + v^8,$$

viz., the equality of these two sets of ratios depends upon the following identities,

$$\begin{aligned} & (-\theta + v^8)(u^{12} + pu^4 + qv^4 + v^{12}) + 14(\theta - 2\theta^2 + 2\theta^3 - \theta^4)(\rho u^4 + \sigma v^4 + \tau v^{12}) \\ & = \{-\theta u^4 + (1 - \theta)(-4 - \theta + 5\theta^2 - \theta^3 - 4\theta^4)v^4 + v^{12}\}(u^8 - \Theta + v^8), \\ & -7(\theta - u^8)(\rho u^4 + \sigma v^4 + \tau v^{12}) - (\theta - v^8)(\lambda^{12} + \mu u^4 + \nu v^4) \\ & = \{(2\theta + 5\theta^2 + 3\theta^3 - 2\theta^4 - 2\theta^5)u^4 + (2 + 2\theta - 3\theta^2 - 5\theta^3 - 2\theta^4)v^4\}(u^8 - \Theta + v^8), \\ & -2(\theta - 2\theta^2 + 2\theta^3 - \theta^4)(\lambda u^{12} + \mu u^4 + \nu v^4) + (u^8 - \theta)(u^{12} + pu^4 + qv^4 + v^{12}) \\ & = \{u^{12} + \theta(1 - \theta)(3 + 5\theta + 3\theta^2)u^4 - \theta v^4\}(u^8 - \Theta + v^8), \end{aligned}$$

which can be verified without difficulty: from the last-mentioned system of values, replacing  $\theta$  by its value  $uv$ , we then have

$$\frac{1}{M^2} : \frac{2}{M} : 1 = 7u(v - u^7) : 14uv(1 - uv)(1 - uv + u^2v^2) : -v(u - v^7),$$

which agree with the values given p. 482 of the 'Memoir,' and the analytical theory is thus completed.