

# Deformations of singularities $2 \times 2$ traceless linear differential systems

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$$(j^N Q(x)) \left( \frac{dx}{x^{k+1}} \right)^2, \quad N = \begin{cases} k & \text{if } m = 0, \\ k + m - 1 & \text{if } 0 < m \leq 2k, \\ 3k & \text{if } 2k < m, \end{cases}$$

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where

$$\mu = \text{res}_{x=0}^2 Q(x) \left( \frac{dx}{x^{k+1}} \right)^2 := \left( \text{res}_{x=0} \sqrt{Q(s)} \frac{dx}{x^{k+1}} \right)^2 \dots \text{square residue},$$

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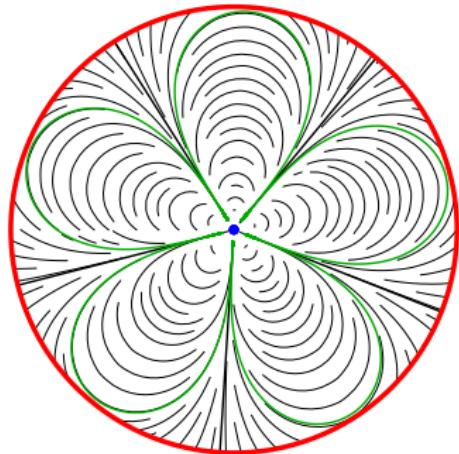
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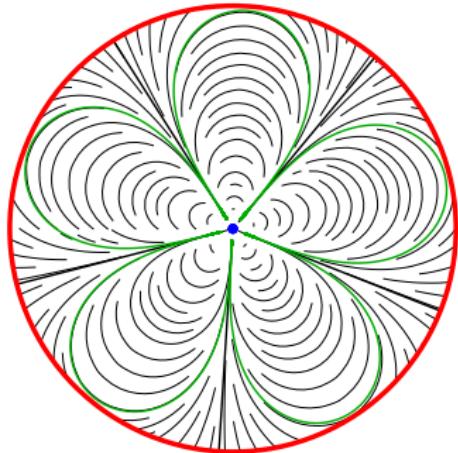
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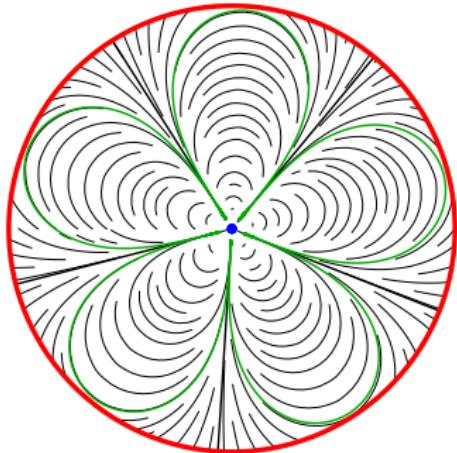
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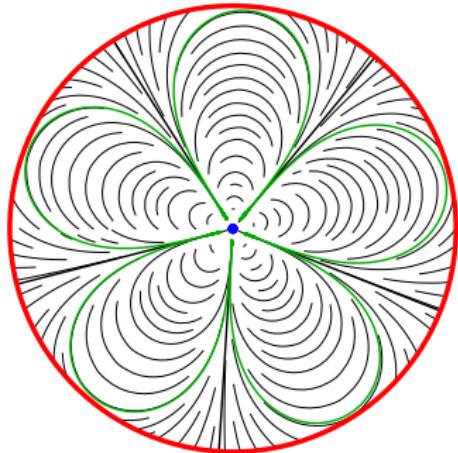
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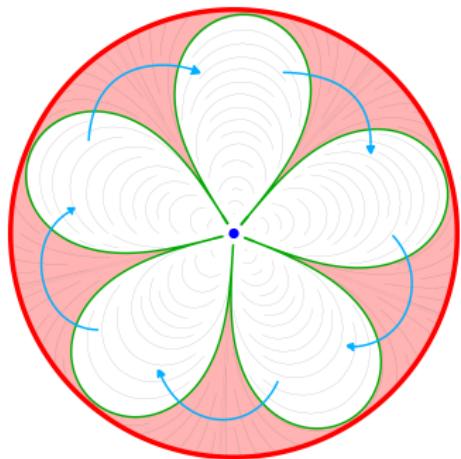
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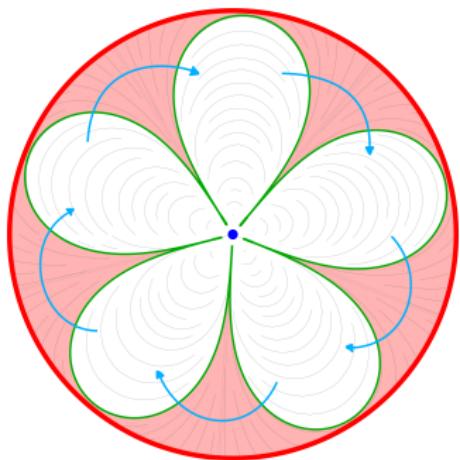


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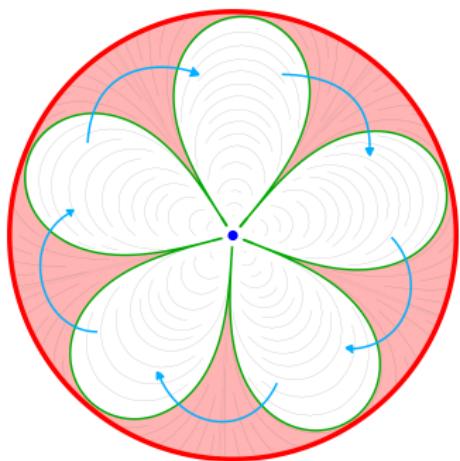


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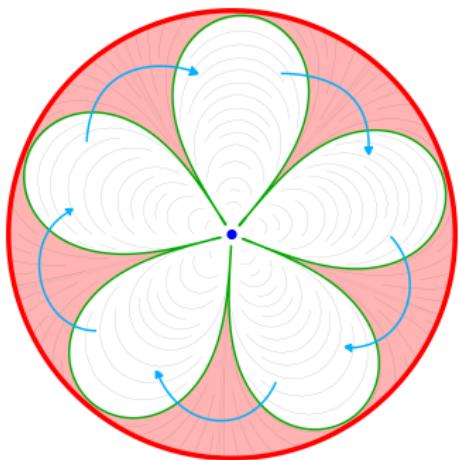


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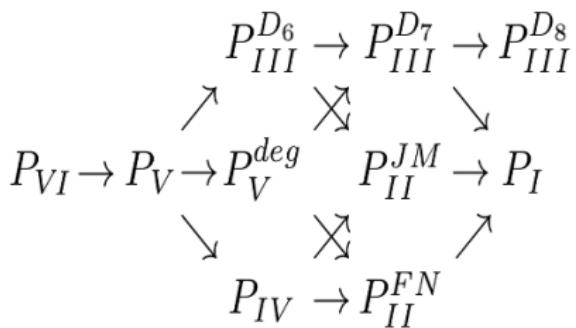
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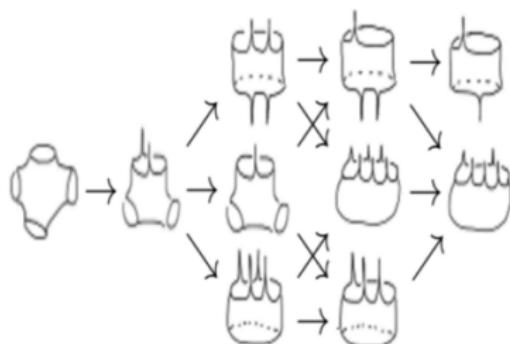
## Example: degeneration of Painlevé equations

Confluences of isomonodromic deformation systems

- ▶ isomonodromic parameter  $t$ ,
- ▶ confluence parameter  $\epsilon$ .



(a) Painlevé equations



(b) Isomonodromic deformations

[Ohyama, Okumura (2006), Chekhov, Mazzocco, Roubtsov (2017)]

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- ▶ *sepal zones*: attached to a single parabolic equilibrium.
- ▶  *$\alpha\omega$ -zones*: attached to a pair of equilibria.  
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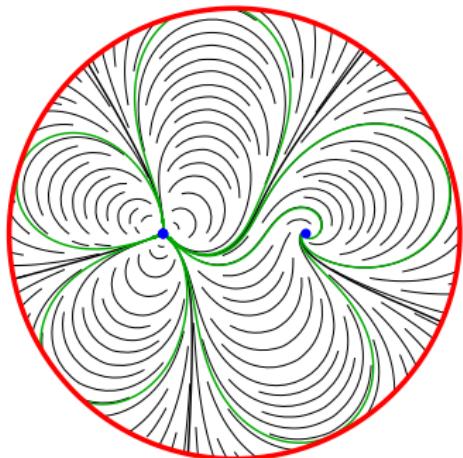
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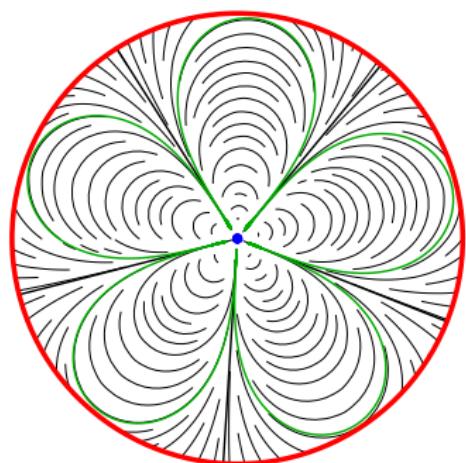
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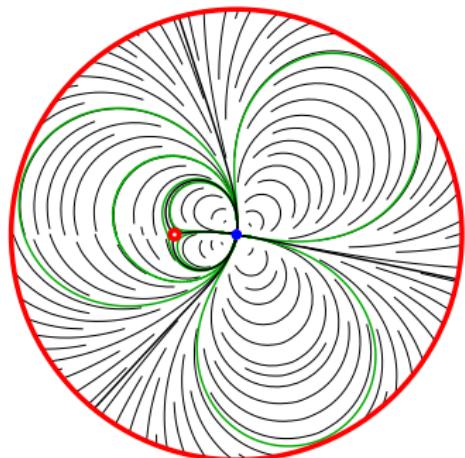


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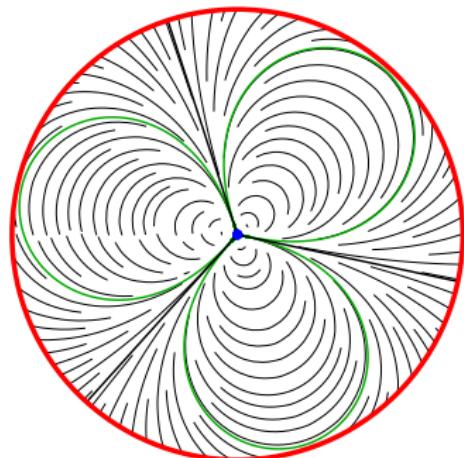
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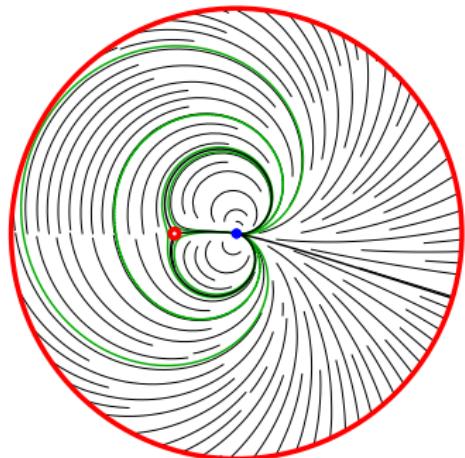


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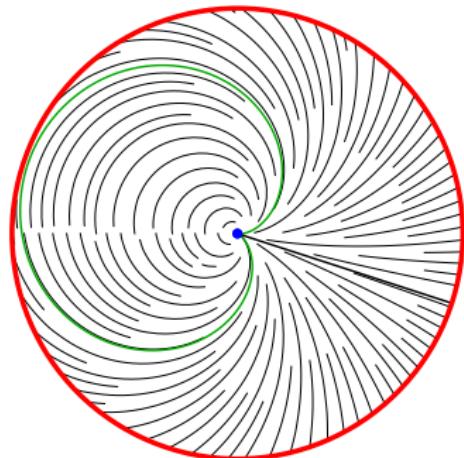
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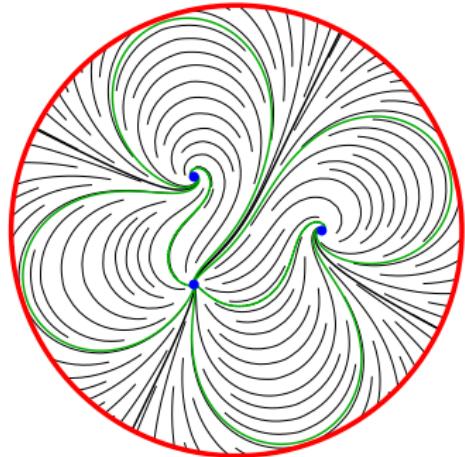


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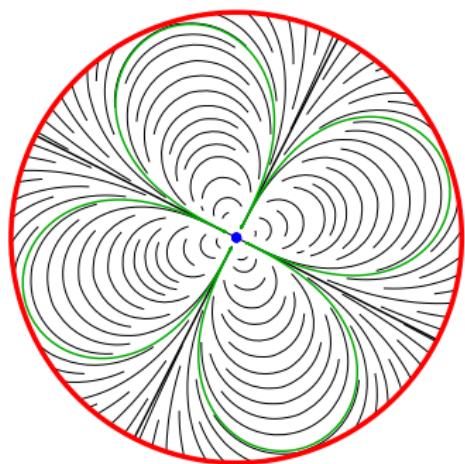
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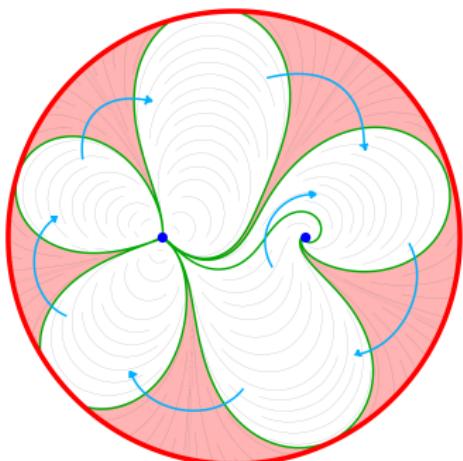
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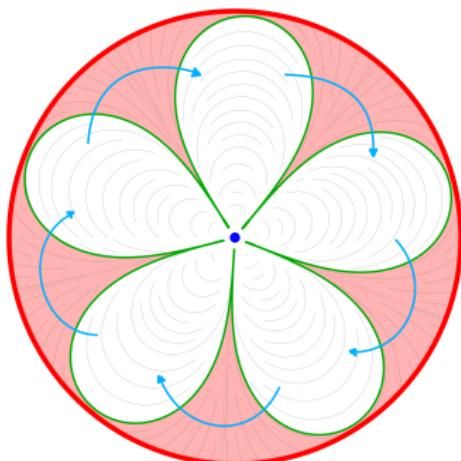
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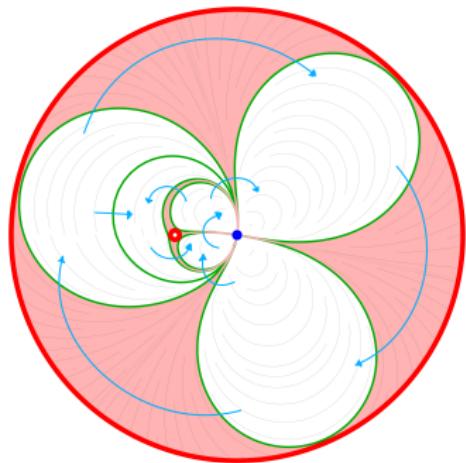


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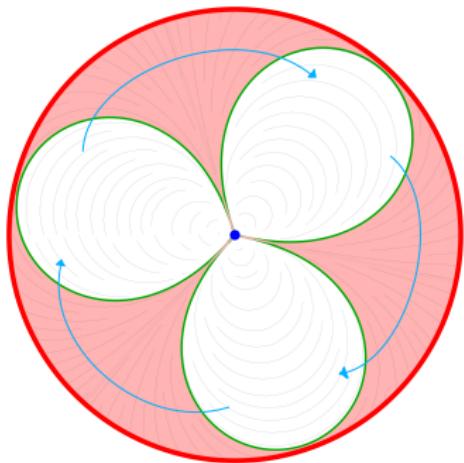


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