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Simple singularities of holomorphic functions

AKA Du Val singularity, rational double point also called *simple surface singularity*, *Kleinian singularity*.

Diagram showing the relationship between C^2, C^2/Gamma, and V(R) subset C^3. Arrows indicate mappings and an isomorphism.

thus we have

C^2/Gamma congruent V(R)

| modality = 0 | normal form     | simply laced Dynkin diagram | monodromy group congruent subgroup Gamma* of SU(2) that is the preimage of finite subgroup Gamma less SO(3) | R(X, Y, Z)           | V(R) congruent C^3/Gamma* which is isomorphic to the level bifurcation set |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A_k, k >= 1  | x^{k+1}         |                             | Z_{k+1}                                                                                                     | X^{k+1} + YZ         |                                                                            |
| D_k, k >= 4  | x^2 y + y^{k+1} |                             | binary dihedral D_{2(k-2)}                                                                                  | XY^2 - X^{k-1} + Z^2 |                                                                            |
| E_6          | x^3 + y^4       |                             | binary tetrahedral                                                                                          |                      |                                                                            |
| E_7          | x^3 + xy^4      |                             | binary oct                                                                                                  |                      |                                                                            |
| E_8          | x^3 + y^5       |                             | binary iso                                                                                                  |                      |                                                                            |

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A\_n

| A_n for n = | more examples of functions equivalent to f | normal form f           | minimal deformation +g_lambda           | V(f + g_lambda) | Delta = 0                                             | V(Delta)     | R(X, Y, Z) | V(R) |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------|------|
| nope!       |                                            | x is not a singularity? |                                         |                 |                                                       |              |            |      |
| 1           | x^2 - y^2 - z^2, x^2 + y^2 + z^2           | x^2                     | +lambda                                 |                 | lambda = 0?                                           | fold?        | X^2 + YZ   |      |
| 2           | x^3 - y^2 - z^2, x^3 + y^2 - z^2           | x^3                     | +lambda_1 x + lambda                    |                 | 27 lambda_0^2 + 4 lambda^3                            | cuspidal?    | X^3 + YZ   |      |
| 3           |                                            | x^4                     | +lambda_2 x^2 + lambda                  |                 | 16 lambda_0^3 - 128 lambda_2^2 lambda_0 - 27 lambda^4 | swallowtail? |            |      |
| 4           |                                            | x^5                     |                                         |                 |                                                       | butterfly?   |            |      |
| 5           |                                            | x^6                     |                                         |                 |                                                       |              |            |      |
| n           |                                            | x^{n+1}                 | + sum_{i=0}^{n-1} lambda_i x^i + lambda |                 | discriminant of the monic polynomial of degree n + 1  |              |            |      |

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Example: The subgroup C\_n subset SL(2,C) is given by the matrices ( j 0 / 0 j^{-1} )

where j runs through all n-th roots of unity. Let us denote coordinates on C^2 by U and V. Then one may take

x = UV, y = U^n, and z = -V^n

as fundamental invariants satisfying the relation x^n + yz = 0.

Equation involving exp(i\*pi/n) and SU(2) mapping to C^2.

The invariant polynomials in C[e\_1, e\_2]

X := e\_1 e\_2, Y := e\_1^n, Z := -e\_2^n

which satisfy

$$X^n + YZ = 0$$

Claim: variety/manifold? of non-regular orbits in  $\mathbb{C}^2/\Gamma \cong$  level bifurcation set  $\Delta = 0$

We look at the homeomorphism

$$\mathbb{C}^n/S_n \cong_{\text{Top}} X^n + \mathbb{C}[X]_{n-1}$$
$$\prod_{i=1}^n (X - \alpha_i) \mapsto (\lambda_i) \text{ in } X^n + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \lambda^i X^i$$

and try to construct something similar for  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_n$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \exp\left(i\frac{\pi}{n}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & \exp\left(-i\frac{\pi}{n}\right) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \exp\left(i\frac{\pi}{n}\right) \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \exp\left(-i\frac{\pi}{n}\right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Regular orbits  $\leftrightarrow$  ones with  $|\Gamma|$  number of elements
- Non-regular orbits  $\leftrightarrow z_i = 0$  or  $z_1 = \pm z_2 \leftrightarrow (X)(X - z_2)$  or  $(X)(X - z_1)$  or  $(X - z_1)^2$  or  $X^2 - z_1^2$
- ???

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Consider the germ of  $A_1$ -singularity  $S = V(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \subset \mathbf{A}^3$ . Consider the blow-up of this singularity.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}}^3 = \{((x, y, z), (u : v : w)) \in \mathbf{A}^3 \times \mathbf{P}^2 | xv = yu, xw = zu, yw = zu\}.$$

Take the chart  $u \neq 0$ , i.e.  $u = 1$ . We get

$$\begin{cases} x &= & x \\ y &= & xv \\ z &= & xw \end{cases}$$

What is  $\tilde{S} = \overline{\pi^{-1}(S \setminus \{0\})}$ ? Consider first  $x \neq 0$  (it means that we are looking for  $\pi^{-1}(S \setminus \{0\})$ ).

$$x^2 + x^2v^2 + x^2w^2 = 0, x \neq 0,$$

or

$$1 + v^2 + w^2 = 0, x \neq 0.$$

In order to get  $\tilde{S}$  we should allow  $x$  to be arbitrary. In this chart  $\tilde{S}$  is a cylinder  $V(1 + v^2 + w^2) \subset \mathbf{A}^3$ . What is  $\pi^{-1}(0)$ ? Obviously it is the intersection of  $\tilde{S}$  with the exceptional plane  $((0, 0, 0), (u : v : w))$ . In this chart we just have to set  $x = 0$  in addition to the equation of the surface  $\tilde{S}$ .

$$\pi^{-1}(0) = \begin{cases} 1 + v^2 + w^2 &= & 0 \\ x &= & 0. \end{cases}$$

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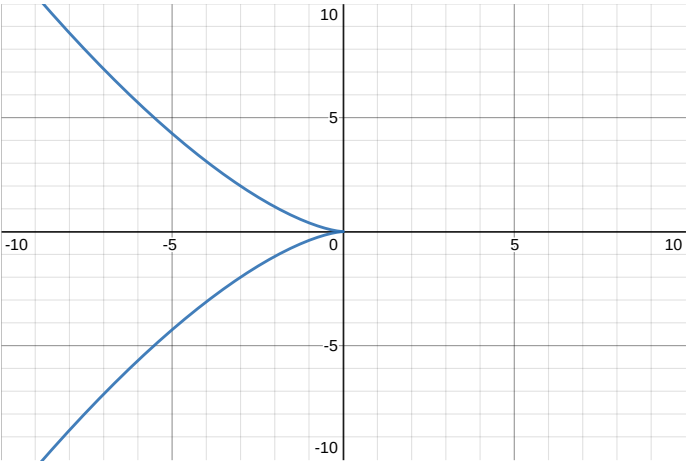
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✓ <https://www.desmos.com/3d/mhd4xpgf9h>  $V(R)$

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the zero-level-set of a type  $A_2$ -singularity

Level bifurcation set:  $27\lambda_0^2 + 4\lambda_1^3 = 0$



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1. [The ADE classification of singularities \(singsurf.org\)](#)  $\leftrightarrow$
2. [SingSurf: Cubic surface Visualizer](#)  $\leftrightarrow$

3. [mi.uni-koeln.de/~burban/singul.pdf](http://mi.uni-koeln.de/~burban/singul.pdf) ↩