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ON A SPECIAL QUARTIC TRANSFORMATION OF AN ELLIPTIC FUNCTION.

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It is remarked by Jacobi that a transformation of the order n'n'' may lead to a modular equation

$$\frac{\Delta'}{\Delta} = \frac{n'}{n''} \frac{K'}{K},$$

and in particular when n' = n'', or the order is square, then the equation may be $\frac{\Delta'}{\Delta} = \frac{K'}{K}$; viz. that instead of a transformation we may have a multiplication. A quartic transformation of the kind in question may be obtained as follows: writing

$$X = (a, b, c, d, e \not) x, 1)^4 = a (x - \alpha) (x - \beta) (x - \gamma) (x - \delta)$$

H the Hessian, Φ the cubi-covariant, I and J the two invariants, then there is a well known quartic transformation

$$z = \frac{2H}{X},$$

leading to

$$\frac{dz}{\sqrt{Z}} = \frac{2\sqrt{-2}}{\sqrt{X}} dx$$

where $Z = z^3 - Iz + 2J$. In fact we have

$$Z = \frac{2}{X^3} (4H^3 - IH^2X + JX^3), \quad = \frac{-2}{X^3} \Phi^2,$$
$$\sqrt{(Z)} = \frac{\sqrt{(-2)} \Phi}{X^2} \sqrt{(X)},$$

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so that, by Jacobi's general principle, it at once appears that we have a transformation of the form in question.

Now we may establish a linear transformation

$$z = \frac{py+q}{y-\delta},$$

such that to the roots z_1 , z_2 , z_3 of the equation $z^3 - Iz + 2J = 0$ correspond the values α , β , γ of y; and this being so, we have between y, z the relation

$$\frac{dz}{\sqrt{Z}} = \frac{\sqrt{(-2)} \, dy}{\sqrt{Y}},$$

where $Y = a (y - \alpha) (y - \beta) (y - \gamma) (y - \delta)$, $= (a, b, c, d, e \not (y, 1)^4$; that is, we have

$$\frac{py+q}{y-\delta} = \frac{2H}{X},$$

such that

$$\frac{dy}{\sqrt{Y}} = \frac{2dx}{\sqrt{X}},$$

which is a quartic transformation giving a duplication of the integral. The foundation of the theorem is that we can determine p, q in such wise that the functions

$$\frac{p\alpha+q}{\alpha-\delta}$$
, $\frac{p\beta+q}{\beta-\delta}$, $\frac{p\gamma+q}{\gamma-\delta}$

shall be the roots z_1 , z_2 , z_3 of the equation $z^3 - Iz + 2J = 0$. For writing

$$A = (\beta - \gamma) (\alpha - \delta),$$

$$B = (\gamma - \alpha) (\beta - \delta),$$

$$C = (\alpha - \beta) (\gamma - \delta),$$

and observing the equations

$$I = \frac{a^2}{24} (A^2 + B^2 + C^2), \quad = -\frac{a^2}{12} (BC + CA + AB),$$

(since A + B + C = 0) and

$$2J = -\frac{a^3}{216}(B - C)(C - A)(A - B),$$

the equation in z is

$$\{z - \frac{1}{6}a(B - C)\} \{z - \frac{1}{6}a(C - A)\} \{z - \frac{1}{6}a(A - B)\},\$$

and the equations for the determination of p, q thus are

$$p\alpha + q = \frac{1}{6}a(\alpha - \delta)(B - C), = \frac{1}{6}a(\alpha - \delta)\left\{2(\alpha\delta + \beta\gamma) - (\alpha + \delta)(\beta + \gamma)\right\},$$

$$p\beta + q = \frac{1}{6}a(\beta - \delta)(C - A), = \frac{1}{6}a(\beta - \delta)\left\{2(\beta\delta + \gamma\alpha) - (\beta + \delta)(\gamma + \alpha)\right\},$$

$$p\gamma + q = \frac{1}{6}a(\gamma - \delta)(A - B), = \frac{1}{6}a(\gamma - \delta)\left\{2(\gamma\delta + \alpha\beta) - (\gamma + \delta)(\alpha + \beta)\right\},$$

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giving

$$p = \frac{1}{6}a \{-3\delta^2 + 2\delta(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) - \beta\gamma - \gamma\alpha - \alpha\beta\},\$$
$$q = \frac{1}{6}a \{\delta^2(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) - 2\delta(\beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha + \alpha\beta) + 3\alpha\beta\gamma\},\$$

or, as these may also be written

$$p = \frac{1}{6}a \left\{ (\beta - \delta) (\gamma - \delta) + (\gamma - \delta) (\alpha - \delta) + (\alpha - \delta) (\beta - \delta) \right\},\$$
$$q = \frac{1}{6}a \left\{ \alpha (\beta - \delta) (\gamma - \delta) + \beta (\gamma - \delta) (\alpha - \delta) + \gamma (\alpha - \delta) (\beta - \delta) \right\};$$

and observe also

$$p\delta + q = \frac{1}{2}a(\alpha - \delta)(\beta - \delta)(\gamma - \delta).$$

Taking X in the standard form $=(1-x^2)(1-k^2x^2)$, and writing

$$\gamma = -1, \quad \delta = 1, \quad \alpha = +\frac{1}{k}, \quad \beta = -\frac{1}{k},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \frac{py+q}{y-1} = \frac{-\frac{1}{6} \left\{ 2k^2 \left(1+k^2\right) \left(1+k^2x^4\right) + \left(1-10k^2+k^4\right)x^2\right\}}{\left(-x^2\right) \left(1-k^2x^2\right)}, \\ A &= -1 + \frac{2}{k} - \frac{1}{k^2}, \\ B &= -1 + \frac{2}{k} - \frac{1}{k^2}, \\ B &= -1 + \frac{2}{k} + \frac{1}{k^2}, \\ C &= -\frac{4}{k}; \\ c &= -\frac{4}{k}; \\ z_1 &= -\frac{1}{6} \left(1+6k+k^2\right), \\ z_2 &= -\frac{1}{6} \left(1-6k+k^2\right), \\ z_3 &= -\frac{1}{3} \left(1+k^2\right); \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} Z &= z^3 - \frac{1}{12} \left(1+14k^2+k^4\right)z + \frac{1}{108} \left(1+k^2\right) \left(1-34k^2+k^4\right) \\ &= (z-z_1) \left(z-z_2\right) \left(z-z_3\right), \end{aligned}$$

$$p = \frac{1}{6} (1 - 5k^2), \quad q = \frac{1}{6} (5 - k^2), \quad p + q = 1 - k^2;$$

giving as they should do

$$z_1 = rac{rac{p}{k} + q}{rac{1}{k} - 1}, \quad z_2 = rac{-rac{p}{k} + q}{-rac{1}{k} - 1}, \quad z_3 = rac{-p + q}{-2}.$$

Write for shortness

 $-\frac{1}{6}\left\{2k^{2}\left(1+k^{2}\right)\left(1+x^{4}\right)+\left(1-10k^{2}+k^{4}\right)x^{2}\right\}=Q,$

so that

$$\frac{py+q}{y-1} = \frac{Q}{X},$$

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then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Q}{X} - z_1 &= \frac{p+q}{k-1} \cdot \frac{ky-1}{y-1} ,\\ \frac{Q}{X} - z_2 &= \frac{p+q}{k+1} \cdot \frac{ky+1}{y+1} ,\\ \frac{Q}{X} - z_3 &= \frac{p+q}{2} \cdot \frac{y+1}{y-1} . \end{aligned}$$

The last of these is

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

that is,

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

from which the foregoing equation

$$\frac{dy}{\sqrt{(Y)}} = \frac{2dx}{\sqrt{(X)}}$$

may be at once verified.

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