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COMPARISON OF THE WEIERSTRASSIAN AND JACOBIAN ELLIPTIC FUNCTIONS.

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The Weierstrassian function $\sigma(u)$ corresponds of course with Jacobi's H(u), but it is worth while to establish the actual formulæ of transformation.

Writing, for a moment,

$$\omega = \omega_1 + iv_1,$$
 $\omega' = \omega_2 + iv_2,$

it is convenient to assume $\omega_1 \nu_2 - \omega_2 \nu_1$ positive; we then have

$$2(\eta\omega'-\eta'\omega)=+\pi i$$
;

in particular, this will be the case if $\omega = \omega_1$, $\omega' = i\nu_2$, where ω_1 , ν_2 are each positive.

To reduce the periods into the Jacobian form, we may assume

$$\omega = \lambda K,$$

$$\omega' = \lambda i K'.$$

(where observe that, if as usual k, K, K' are each real and positive, and if as above $\omega = \omega_1$, $\omega' = i \nu_2$, ω_1 and ν_2 positive, then also λ will be real and positive). We have

$$\frac{iK'}{K} = \frac{\omega'}{\omega}, \text{ or say } q = e^{-\frac{\pi K'}{K}} = e^{\frac{i\pi\omega'}{\omega}},$$

which determines first q, and thence k, K, K', as functions of $\frac{\omega'}{\omega}$, and we then have $\lambda = \frac{\omega}{K} = \frac{-i\omega'}{K'}$, either of which equations gives λ as a function of ω , ω' . Conversely, starting with k, λ , the original equations give the values of ω , ω' ; those of η , η' will be determined presently.

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The form of relation is at once seen to be

$$H(u) = Ae^{Bu^2}\sigma(\lambda u),$$

and observing that, for u small, we have $H(u) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2kk'K}{\pi}\right)}u$ and $\sigma(\lambda u) = \lambda u$, we have $A = \frac{1}{\lambda}\sqrt{\left(\frac{2kk'K}{\pi}\right)}$; I first write down and afterwards verify the value of B, viz. this is $= -\frac{1}{2}\frac{\lambda^2\eta}{\omega}$; and the formula thus is

$$H\left(u\right) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sqrt{\left(\frac{2kk'K}{\pi}\right)} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\lambda^{2}\eta}{\omega}u^{2}} \sigma\left(\lambda u\right).$$

In fact, for u writing successively u + 2K, and u + 2iK', we obtain

$$\begin{split} \frac{H\left(u+2K\right)}{H\left(u\right)} &= e^{-\frac{\lambda^2\eta}{\omega}2K\left(u+K\right)} & \frac{\sigma\left(\lambda u+2\omega\right)}{\sigma\left(\lambda u\right)}, \\ \frac{H\left(u+2iK'\right)}{H\left(u\right)} &= e^{-\frac{\lambda^2\eta}{\omega}2iK'\left(u+iK'\right)} & \frac{\sigma\left(\lambda u+2\omega'\right)}{\sigma\left(\lambda u\right)}, \end{split}$$

which should be satisfied in virtue of

$$\begin{split} \frac{H\left(u+2K\right)}{H\left(u\right)} &= -1, & \frac{\sigma\left(\lambda u+2\omega\right)}{\sigma\left(\lambda u\right)} &= -e^{2\eta\left(\lambda u+\omega\right)}, \\ \frac{H\left(u+2iK'\right)}{H\left(u\right)} &= -e^{-\frac{i\pi}{K}\left(u+iK'\right)}, & \frac{\sigma\left(\lambda u+2\omega'\right)}{\sigma\left(\lambda u\right)} &= -e^{2\eta'\left(\lambda u+\omega'\right)}; \end{split}$$

viz. we ought to have

$$0 = -\frac{\lambda^2 \eta}{\omega} 2K (u + K) + 2\eta (\lambda u + \omega)$$
$$-\frac{i\pi}{K} (u + iK') = -\frac{\lambda^2 \eta}{\omega} 2iK' (u + iK') + 2\eta' (\lambda u + \omega').$$

The first of these is

$$0 = -\frac{\lambda K}{\omega} (u + K) + \left(4 + \frac{\omega}{\lambda}\right),\,$$

that is,

$$0 = (-1+1)(u+K);$$

and the second is

$$0 = \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}iK}{\lambda K} - \frac{\lambda iK'\eta}{\omega}\right)(u + iK') + \eta'\left(u + \frac{\omega'}{\lambda}\right).$$

viz. for $i\pi$ writing $2(\eta\omega'-\eta'\omega)$, this is

$$0 = \left(\frac{\eta\omega' - \eta'\omega}{\omega} - \frac{\eta\omega'}{\omega} + \eta'\right)(u + iK'),$$

and the two equations are thus each of them an identity.

The Weierstrassian function $\wp(u)$ is defined as

$$= -\frac{d^2}{du^2} \log \sigma(u);$$

or, what is the same thing, we have

$$\wp(u) = -\frac{d}{du} \frac{\sigma'(u)}{\sigma(u)}.$$

Hence

$$\wp(\lambda u) = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{d}{du} \frac{\sigma'(\lambda u)}{\sigma(\lambda u)}.$$

But

$$\frac{H'(u)}{H(u)} = -\frac{\lambda^2 \eta u}{\omega} + \frac{\lambda \sigma'(\lambda u)}{\sigma(\lambda u)},$$

or

$$\wp\left(\lambda u\right) = -\frac{\eta}{\omega} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \frac{d}{du} \frac{H'\left(u\right)}{H\left(u\right)}.$$

But from the equation \sqrt{k} sn $u = \frac{H(u)}{\Theta(u)}$, we obtain

$$\frac{d}{du} \frac{H'(u)}{H(u)} = Z'(u) - \frac{1}{\sin^2 u} + k^2 \sin^2 u, = 1 - \frac{E}{K} - \frac{1}{\sin^2 u},$$

and consequently

$$\wp(\lambda u) = -\frac{\eta}{\omega} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left(1 - \frac{E}{K} \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda^2 \operatorname{sn}^2 u},$$

where, on the right-hand side, expanding in ascending powers of u, the constant term is

$$= -\frac{\eta}{\omega} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left(1 - \frac{E}{K} \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \frac{1}{3} (1 + k^2).$$

But in the function $\wp(\lambda u)$ this constant term is = 0, and we thus have

$$\frac{\eta}{\omega} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{3} (1 + k^2) - 1 + \frac{E}{K} \right\};$$

and then, since

$$\frac{\eta}{\omega} - \frac{\eta'}{\omega'} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\pi i}{\omega \omega'} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\pi}{\lambda^2 KK'},$$

we have

$$\frac{\eta^{'}}{\omega^{'}} = -\frac{\frac{1}{2}\pi}{\lambda^{2}KK^{'}} + \frac{1}{\lambda^{2}} \left\{ \frac{1}{3} \left(1 + k^{2} \right) - 1 + \frac{E}{K} \right\};$$

or, as these equations may also be written,

$$\begin{split} \eta &= \frac{K}{\lambda} \left\{ \frac{1}{3} (1 + k^2) - 1 + \frac{E}{K} \right\}, \\ \eta' &= \frac{-\frac{1}{2} \pi i}{\lambda K} + \frac{2K'}{\lambda} \left\{ \frac{1}{3} (1 + k^2) - 1 + \frac{E}{K} \right\}, \end{split}$$

which are the values of η , η' . And we then have

$$\wp\left(\lambda u\right) = -\,\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\,\tfrac{1}{3}\,(1+k^2) + \frac{1}{\lambda^2\,\mathrm{sn}^2\,u}\,,$$

the equation connecting $\wp(\lambda u)$ and sn u.

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