Elliptic KZB equations via the universal vector extension

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where

$$H^1_{dR}(X) = H^0(\mathbb{P}^1_k, \Omega^1(\log\{0,1,\infty\})) = k\frac{dz}{z} \oplus k\frac{dz}{1-z}.$$

Nice properties: independence of base points, simple poles.

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Proof: consider the canonical extension

$$\overline{\nabla}: \overline{\mathcal{V}} \to \Omega^1_{\mathbb{P}^1_k}(\mathsf{log}\{0,1,\infty\}) \otimes \overline{\mathcal{V}}$$

and apply

$$\begin{array}{l} H^0(\mathbb{P}^1_k,\mathcal{O}) = k \\ H^1(\mathbb{P}^1_k,\mathcal{O}) = \mathit{Ext}^1(\mathcal{O},\mathcal{O}) = 0 \end{array} \} \ \, \mathsf{Deligne's \ good \ conditions}$$

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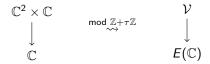
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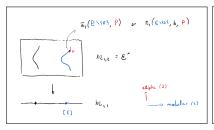
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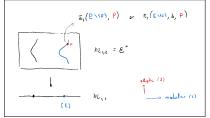
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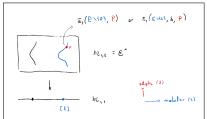


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► Key: the universal vector extension is a crystal. Canonical splitting (with integrability condition) of

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