

About Integrable Evolution Equations with Lax Pairs over the Octonions

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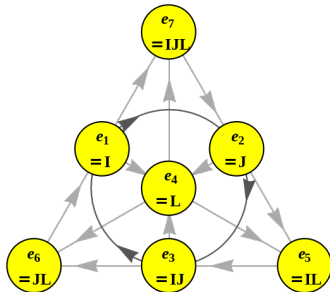
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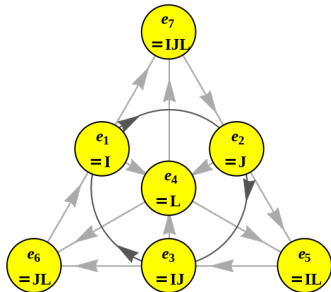
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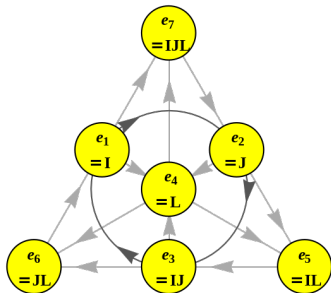


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Problem: For high $w(\partial_t)$, $w(L)$ and low $w(\partial_x)$, $w(u)$ the number of terms goes into the (10s of) 1000s

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Such IDs of degree > 3 are not systematically investigated so far but needed for reducing polynomials.

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Example: $n = d = 4$ *multilinear* case

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$(wu)v = \dots, w > v, [w, u, v] = -[v, u, w]$	72	40	32
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identity in 2 factor products	712	424	288
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Example: $n = d = 5$ multilinear polynomial

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$(pr)(u(qs)) = \dots, p < q, r < s$ $0 = ([pr(u(qs))] - p(r[usq]))_{\{pq\}\{rs\}}$	211	61	150
$0 = [p, \text{real of degree 4}]$	186	36	150
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