

## The $p$ -adic differential equation $y' = \omega y$ in the closed unit disk

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### ABSTRACT

Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a complete ultrametric algebraically closed field. When  $D$  is a set in  $\mathbb{K}$ , we denote by  $H(D)$  (resp.  $H_b(D)$ ) the set of the analytic elements in  $D$  (resp. the bounded analytic elements in  $D$ ). Let  $\mathcal{B} = (b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{K}$  such that  $1 < |b_{n+1}| < |b_n|$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |b_n| = 1$  and let

$$\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}) = \mathbb{K} \setminus (\cup_{n=1}^{\infty} d(b_n, \rho^-))$$

First we characterize the elements  $f \in \cap_{\rho > 0} H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  which are Meromorphic Products [S<sub>2</sub>] in the form  $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (x - a_n/x - b_n)$ . Next, we translate the results of analytic extension through a  $T$ -filter [S<sub>3</sub>] into terms of Meromorphic Products. We then apply that to the extension of a differential equation  $y' = \omega y$  defined in the disk  $d(0, 1)$  ( $|x| \leq 1$ ) to  $K \setminus \mathcal{B}$ ;  $y$  has an extension in the form  $\lambda \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (x - a_n/x - b_n)$  while  $\omega$  has the extension  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ((1/x - a_n) - (1/x - b_n))$ .

As a consequence we can characterize the  $\omega \in H(d(0, 1))$  such that the equation  $y' = \omega y$  has solutions in  $H(d(0, 1))$ : these  $\omega$  are the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ((1/x - a_n) - (1/x - b_n))$ . When  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}_p$  such a series may be equal to a constant  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}_p$  in  $d(0, 1)$  if and only if  $|\lambda| < \rho^{-1/p-1}$ .

## Introduction and results

Let  $(\mathbb{K}, |\cdot|)$  be a complete ultrametric algebraically closed field.

For  $a \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $r > 0$ , we denote

$$d(a, r) = \{x \in \mathbb{K} : |x - a| \leq r\},$$

$$d(a, r^-) = \{x \in \mathbb{K} : |x - a| < r\},$$

and

$$C(a, r) = \{x \in \mathbb{K} : |x - a| = r\}.$$

For  $a \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $r, s \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $0 < r < s$ , we denote

$$\Gamma(a, r, s) = \{x \in \mathbb{K} : r < |x - a| < s\}.$$

Let  $A$  be a closed non necessarily bounded set in  $\mathbb{K}$  and let  $R_b(A)$  be the algebra of the rational functions  $h$  with no pole in  $A$ , such that  $|h(x)|$  has a finite upper bound in  $A$ . The algebra  $R_b(A)$  admits the norm  $\|\cdot\|_A$  of the uniform convergence on  $A$  as a norm of  $\mathbb{K}$ -algebra and its completion denoted by  $H_b(A)$  is the Banach algebra of the bounded analytic elements on  $A$ . If  $A$  is bounded, then  $R_b(A)$  is the set of all the rational functions with no pole in  $A$  and  $H_b(A)$  is the algebra  $H(A)$  of all the analytical elements on  $A$  [E<sub>1</sub>, E<sub>2</sub>].

If  $A$  has a hole  $T = d(a, \rho^-)$  and if  $A'$  is the image of  $A$  by an inversion of center  $a$ , it is easily seen that  $H(A)$  is isometrically isomorphic to  $H(A' \cup \{a\})$  [E<sub>2</sub>]. Therefore, we may apply to the algebras  $H_b(A)$  most of the results already known for the Banach algebras  $H(D)$  (with  $D$  closed and bounded). If  $\omega \in H_b(A)$  we will denote by  $\mathcal{E}(\omega)$  the equation  $y' = \omega y$  with  $y \in H_b(A)$ .

In all of the following, we will denote by  $\mathcal{B}$  an injective sequence  $(b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  in  $\mathbb{K}$  such that  $1 < |b_{n+1}| \leq |b_n|$  for all  $n$  and  $\lim |b_n| = 1$ ; we will denote

$$\hat{\mathcal{B}} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n, \dots\},$$

and for every  $\rho \in ]0, 1[$  we will denote

$$\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}) = \mathbb{K} \setminus \left( \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} d(b_n, \rho^-) \right)$$

and denote by  $\mathcal{F}_\rho$  the pierced decreasing filter of center 0, of diameter 1 [E<sub>3</sub>].

If  $\mathcal{F}_\rho$  is a  $T$ -filter on  $\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$  for some  $\rho \in ]0, 1[$ , then  $\mathcal{F}_\rho$  is a  $T$ -filter on  $\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$  for every  $\rho \in ]0, 1[$ , [E<sub>4</sub>, S<sub>1</sub>].

Let  $f \in \bigcap_{\rho > 0} H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$ . A pole  $b_n$  of  $f$  will be called a *pole of order  $q$*  if  $(x - b_n)^q f(x)$  has a limit  $l \neq 0$  when  $x$  approaches  $b_n$  ( $q \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ). Then  $b_n$  will be called a *simple pole* if  $q = 1$ .

We call a *Meromorphic Product* associated to the sequence  $\mathcal{B}$  a function  $f$  defined in  $\mathbb{K} \setminus \hat{\mathcal{B}}$  in the form

$$f = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{x - a_n}{x - b_n} \right),$$

where  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence in  $\mathbb{K}$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n - b_n) = 0 \quad [S_2, S_3].$$

Then we know that such a Meromorphic Product belongs to  $H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  whenever  $\rho > 0$  [S<sub>1</sub>, S<sub>2</sub>].

When  $\tau$  is the Meromorphic Product

$$\tau = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x - a_n}{x - b_n},$$

for every  $\rho > 0$  there is an integer  $q(\rho)$  such that  $d(a_n, \rho^-) = d(b_n, \rho^-)$  for every  $n > q(\rho)$ ; we will denote

$$M_\rho(\tau) = \Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}) \setminus \left( \bigcup_{n=1}^{q(\rho)} d(a_n, \rho^-) \right)$$

and then  $\tau$  is invertible in  $H_b(M_\rho(\tau))$ .

As  $\mathcal{B}$  is an injective sequence we can easily characterize the Meromorphic Products among the functions defined in  $\mathbb{K} \setminus \{b_1, \dots, b_n, \dots\}$ .

### Theorem 1

Let  $f$  be a function defined in  $\mathbb{K} \setminus \mathcal{B}$ . The following conditions  $\alpha$ ) and  $\beta$ ) are equivalent.

- $\alpha$ ) i)  $f$  belongs to  $H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  for all  $\rho > 0$ ,
- ii) each  $b_n$  is a simple pole for  $f$ ,
- iii)  $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 1$ ,
- iv)  $f$  is not identically null on  $d(0, 1)$ .

$\beta$ )  $f$  is a Meromorphic Product associated to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

Theorem 1 enables us to translate the analytic extension through a  $T$ -filter made in [S<sub>3</sub>] in terms of Meromorphic Products.

**Theorem 2**

Let  $g$  belong to  $H(d(0,1))$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{F}_\rho$  is a  $T$ -filter on  $\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$ . There exists a Meromorphic Product  $\bar{g}$  associated to  $\mathcal{B}$  whose restriction to  $d(0,1)$  is equal to  $g$ .

In Theorems 3 and 4  $\mathbb{K}$  is supposed to have characteristic zero. These results will be generalized to infraconnected sets in a further article [S<sub>5</sub>].

Now Theorem 2 applied to a solution  $g$  of a differential equation  $y' = \omega y$  in  $d(0,1)$  provides a  $\bar{g}$  and a  $\bar{\omega}$  so that  $\mathcal{E}(\omega)$  extends to  $\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$ .

**Theorem 3**

Let  $\omega \in H(d(0,1))$  and assume that the equation  $\mathcal{E}(\omega) y' = \omega y$  has a non identically null solution  $g \in H(d(0,1))$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{F}_\rho$  is a  $T$ -filter on  $\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$  and let

$$g(x) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{x - a_n}{x - b_n} \right)$$

be a Meromorphic Product associated to  $\mathcal{B}$  whose restriction to  $d(0,1)$  is equal to  $g$ , as obtained in Theorem 2.

The series

$$\omega(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{x - a_n} - \frac{1}{x - b_n} \right)$$

converges in  $H_b(M_\rho(\bar{g}))$  and it satisfies  $\bar{\omega}(x) = \omega(x)$  for all  $x \in d(0,1)$ .

The space of the solutions  $y$  of the equations

$$\mathcal{E}(\bar{\omega}) y' = \bar{\omega} y$$

defined in  $H_b(M_\rho(\bar{g}))$  is generated by  $\bar{g}$ , and these solutions belong to  $H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$ .

On the other hand, thanks to Theorem 3 we can characterize the  $\omega \in H(D)$  such that the equation  $\mathcal{E}(\omega)$  has solutions  $g$  in  $H(D)$ .

**Theorem 4**

Let  $D$  be  $d(0,1)$  and let  $\omega \in H(D)$ . The following assertions are equivalent:

- a) There exist sequences  $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  and  $(b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\mathbb{K} \setminus d(0,1)$  with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |b_n| = 1$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n - b_n| = 0$ , such that

$$\omega = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x - a_n} - \frac{1}{x - b_n}.$$

- b) The equation  $\mathcal{E}(\omega)$  has solution  $g$  in  $H(D)$ , different from zero.

**Corollary**

Let  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}_p$ . The following assertions a) and b) are equivalent.

- a) There exist sequences  $(a_n)$  and  $(b_n)$  in  $\mathbb{C}_p \setminus (0,1)$  with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |b_n| = 1$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n - b_n| = 0$  such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x - a_n} - \frac{1}{x - b_n} = \lambda,$$

whenever  $x \in d(0,1)$ .

- b)  $|\lambda| < p^{-1/(p-1)}$ .

**Proof of the Theorems**

Let “Log” be a logarithm function of base  $a > 1$  and let  $v$  be the valuation of  $\mathbb{K}$  defined by  $v(x) = -\text{Log } |x|$ .

When  $D$  is a closed infraconnected set of diameter  $R \in [0, +\infty]$ , for  $g \in H(D)$ ,  $a \in D$  and  $\mu \geq -\text{Log } R$ , we define

$$v_a(g, \omega) = \lim_{\substack{v(x) \rightarrow \mu \\ v(x) \neq \mu \\ x \in D}} v(g(x)) \quad [E_3, G, E_1].$$

When  $a = 0$  we only write  $v(g, \mu)$  instead of  $v_0(g, \mu)$ . The properties of the functions  $v_a(g, \mu)$  were given in [E<sub>3</sub>, G] and recalled in many papers like [E<sub>6</sub>]. Also the increasing and decreasing filters were defined in [E<sub>3</sub>] and recalled in [E<sub>6</sub>]. The  $T$ -filters were defined in [E<sub>4</sub>].

The proof of Theorem 1 will use the following Proposition that is an obvious application of the properties of the Mittag-Leffler series for an analytic element [A, R].

**Proposition 1**

The two following conditions are equivalent.

- a)  $f$  belongs to  $H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  for all  $\rho > 0$ , each  $b_n$  is a simple pole for  $f$  and  $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = a$ .
- b)

$$f(x) = a + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_n}{x - b_n},$$

with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$ .

*Proof of Theorem 1.* Suppose first that  $\beta$ ) is true and let us show it that implies  $\alpha$ ). We already know that  $f \in H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  for all  $\rho > 0$  and each  $b_n$  is a simple pole. Finally, it is easily seen that  $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 1$ . [S<sub>2</sub>].

Suppose now that  $\alpha$ ) is true and let us show  $\beta$ ).

Since  $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 1$ , we know that there exists  $R > |b_1|$  such that  $|f(x)| = 1$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{K} \setminus d(0, R)$ , and then  $f$  has no zero and no pole in  $\mathbb{K} \setminus d(0, R)$ .

Since  $f$  is not identically null in  $d(0, 1)$   $f$  is not annulled by the only pierced filter of  $\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$ , hence  $f$  is quasi-invertible in  $H(d(0, R) \cap \Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  [E<sub>3</sub>].

Let  $D_\rho = d(0, R) \cap \Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$ . Suppose first that  $f$  has no zero in  $d(0, 1)$ .  $|f(x)|$  is then equal to a constant  $C \neq 0$  in  $d(0, 1)$ .

Actually we will prove that the relation  $|f(x)| = C$  remains true in a set in the form  $d(0, r) \cap \Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$  with  $r > 1$ . Indeed let  $h \in R(D_\rho)$  be such that

$$(1). \quad \|f - h\|_{D_\rho} < C$$

$|h(x)|$  is clearly equal to  $C$  in  $d(0, 1)$ . Since  $h$  has neither any zero nor any pole in  $d(0, 1)$  it does exist  $r > 1$  such that it still has no zero and no pole in  $d(0, r)$  and then  $|h(x)| = C$  does hold in  $d(0, r) \cap \Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$ .

Let  $t(\rho)$  be an integer such that  $|b_{t(\rho)}| < r$ . Since  $f$  has no zero in  $\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}) \cap d(0, r)$  it is easily seen that for every  $n \geq t(\rho)$ ,  $d(b_n, \rho)$  contains as many zeros as many poles of  $f$  (the zeros are counted according to their multiplicity order).

As we may take  $\rho$  as small as we want, it is easily seen that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - a_n) = 0$$

and then the product

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{x - a_n}{x - b_n} \right)$$

converges in  $H(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$ .

On the other hand, since  $f$  is bounded and  $f$  has no zero and no pole in  $\mathbb{K} \setminus d(0, R)$ , we see that  $v(f, \mu)$  is definitively constant for  $\mu \leq -\text{Log } R$ . As it is already constant for  $\mu \geq -\text{Log } r$ , we see that  $f$  has as many zeros as poles in  $\Gamma(0, r, R)$ .

The poles are  $b_1, \dots, b_{t(\rho)-1}$ . Hence we may write the zeros  $a_1, \dots, a_{t(\rho)-1}$  (in repeating  $q$  times a zero of order  $q$ ) and we see the Meromorphic Product

$$h(x) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{x - a_n}{x - b_n} \right)$$

has exactly the same zeros and the same poles as  $f$ . But then it is easily seen that  $f/h$  is a constant.

Indeed,  $h$  is invertible in  $H_b(M_\rho(h))$  so that  $f(x)/h(x)$  has a Mittag-Leffler series in the infraconnected set  $M_\rho(h)$  [R]. But  $f/h$  has no pole in  $\mathbb{K}$  and then its Mittag-Leffler series is reduced to a constant  $\alpha$ . Finally  $\alpha = 1$ , because

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} h(x) = 1.$$

Now let us consider the general case when  $f$  has a finite number of zeros in  $d(0, 1)$ . Then  $f$  factorizes in the form  $P(x)g(x)$  where  $P$  is a monic polynomial (of degree  $q$ ), all the zeros of which are in  $d(0, 1)$  and  $g$  is an element of  $H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  such that  $g(x) \neq 0$  for all  $x \in d(0, 1)$  and

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} x^q g(x) = 1.$$

Let  $Q$  be a  $q$ -degree monic polynomial whose zeros belong to  $\mathbb{K} \setminus d(0, 1)$ . Obviously we have

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} Q(x)g(x) = 1$$

again. Then  $Q(x)g(x)$  is a Meromorphic Product associated to  $\mathcal{B}$ .

Since  $P$  and  $Q$  have the same degree,

$$f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}(Q(x)g(x))$$

is also a Meromorphic Product associated to  $\mathcal{B}$  and that ends the proof of Theorem 1. □

*Proof of Theorem 2.* Since  $\mathcal{F}_\rho$  is a  $T$ -filter, the Theorem 8 of [S<sub>4</sub>] shows that there exists  $h \in H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  in the form

$$h = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\theta_j}{x - b_j}$$

whose restriction to  $d(0, 1)$  is equal to  $g$  and  $\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B})$  has a  $T$ -filter  $\mathcal{F}_\rho$ . The sequence of holes  $T_n = d(b_n, \rho^-)$  then makes an idempotent  $T$ -sequence  $(T_n, 1)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^*}$  [S<sub>1</sub>]. Now Theorem 5 of [S<sub>3</sub>] shows there exists  $\bar{g} \in H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  whose restriction to  $d(0, 1)$  is also equal to  $g$ , whose poles are simple, and whose limit is equal to 1 when  $|x|$  goes to  $\infty$ .

By proposition 1,  $g$  is in the form

$$g = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{x - b_n};$$

and by Theorem 1,  $g$  is then a Meromorphic Product associated to  $\mathcal{B}$ . □

*Proof of Theorem 3.* By Theorem 2 there exists a Meromorphic Product  $\bar{g}$  associated to  $\mathcal{B}$ , in the form

$$\bar{g} = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{x - a_n}{x - b_n} \right)$$

whose restriction to  $d(0, 1)$  is equal to  $g$ .

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n - b_n) = 0$ , it is easily seen that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{x - a_n} - \frac{1}{x - b_n} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n - a_n}{(x - a_n)(x - b_n)}$$

is convergent in  $H_b(M_\rho(g))$ .

Consider now the sequence

$$g_n = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{x - a_j}{x - b_j}$$

that converges to  $\bar{g}$  in  $H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$ . By Corollary of [E<sub>5</sub>] we know that the sequence  $\bar{g}'_n$ , converges to  $g'$ .

But

$$g'_n = g_n \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{1}{x - a_j} - \frac{1}{x - b_j} \right)$$

and therefore at the limit,  $\bar{g}' = \bar{g}\bar{w}$ . In particular, in  $d(0, 1)$ ,  $\bar{w}(x) = \omega(x)$ .

In addition,  $\bar{g}$  is invertible in each algebra  $H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  hence by results of [E<sub>6</sub>],  $\bar{g}$  generates the linear space of the solutions of the equation  $\mathcal{E}(\bar{w})$  in  $H_b(\Lambda_\rho(\mathcal{B}))$  and that completes the poof of Theorem 3.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 4.* First let us assume a) is satisfied and let  $g(x)$  be the Meromorphic Product

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{x - a_n}{x - b_n} \right).$$

It belongs to  $H(d(0, 1))$  and it is a solution of the equation  $\mathcal{E}(\omega)$  different from zero, hence b) is true. Now, we suppose b) is true, and let  $g$  be a solution of  $\mathcal{E}(\omega)$  (different from zero) that belongs to  $H(D)$ .

By Theorem 4, there exist sequences  $(b_n)$  and  $(a_n)$  in  $\mathbb{K} \setminus d(0, 1)$  with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |b_n| = 1, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n - b_n = 0,$$

such that

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{x - a_n}{x - b_n} \right) = g(x)$$

whenever  $x \in D(0, 1)$ , and then

$$\frac{g'(x)}{g(x)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{x - a_n} - \frac{1}{x - b_n} \right),$$

hence a) is satisfied.  $\square$

*Proof of the Corollary.* We know that the solutions of the differential equation  $y' = \lambda y$  in the disk  $d(0, r)$  are in the form  $A \exp(\lambda x)$  and then the series

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(\lambda x)^n}{n!}$$

is convergent if and only if  $|x| < |\lambda|^{-1} p^{-1/(p-1)}$ . But then,  $\exp(\lambda x) \in H(d(0, 1))$  if and only if  $|\lambda| < p^{-1/(p-1)}$ .

Now by Theorem 4,  $\mathcal{E}(\lambda)$  has solutions if and only if a) is satisfied hence a) and b) are equivalent.  $\square$

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