

REDUCTION OF CENERAL SINGLE LINEAR DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS TO SCHLESINGER'S CANONICAL SYSTEMS

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In [1], M.Kohno considered a reduction problem of a single linear differential equation with a regular singularity and an irregular singularity to a system of linear differential equations. He showed a method for the reduction of the single linear differential equation with one regular singularity at $t=0$ and an irregular singularity of rank q at infinity

$$(0.1) \quad t^n \frac{dx}{dt^n} = \sum_{l=1}^n \left[\sum_{r=0}^{q-l} a_{lr} t^r \right] t^{n-l} \frac{dx}{dt^{n-l}}$$

to the Birkhoff canonical system

$$(0.2) \quad t \frac{dY}{dt} = (B_0 + B_1 t + \cdots + B_q t^q) Y$$

by means of a linear transformation with polynomials in t^{-l} as its coefficients, where $B_i (i=0,1,\dots,q)$ are $n \times n$ constant matrices. Furthermore, he considered the reduction problem of a single linear differential equation with p regular singularities at $t=t_i (i=1,2,\dots,p)$ and an irregular singularity of rank q at infinity

$$(0.3) \quad \phi^n \frac{dx}{dt^n} = \sum_{l=1}^n a_l(t) \phi^{n-l} \frac{dx}{dt^{n-l}}$$

$$\phi = \prod_{i=1}^p (t-t_i)$$

to the Schlesinger form

$$(0.4) \quad \frac{dY}{dt} = (\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{C_i}{t-t_i} + \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} B_k t^k) Y$$

by means of a linear transformation with rational functions in t as its coefficients. In (0.3), each $a_l(t)$ is a polynomial of degree at most $(p+q-1)l$. In (0.4), C_i and B_k are $n \times n$ constant matrices.

He considered such a problem under the assumptions that no solutions near the regular singularity of the single linear differential equation included logarithmic terms and $p=2, q=1$. In this paper we shall consider the reduction problem of (0.3) to (0.4)

without his assumptions.

1. We consider the reduction problem of the single linear differential equation

$$(1.1) \quad \phi^n \frac{d^n x}{dt^n} = \sum_{l=1}^n a_l(t) \phi^{n-l} \frac{d^{n-l} x}{dt^{n-l}}$$

to the Schlesinger's canonical system

$$(1.2) \quad \frac{dY}{dt} = (\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{C_i}{t-t_i} + \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} B_k t^k) Y.$$

where

$$\phi = \prod_{i=1}^p (t-t_i), \quad t_i \neq t_j \ (i \neq j).$$

For simplicity, we can put $t_p=0$. So, equation (1.1) has p regular singularities at $t=t_i$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p$) and an irregular singularity of rank q at infinity. In (1.1), the coefficients $a_l(t)$ ($l=1,2,\dots,n$) are polynomials of degree at most $(p+q-1)l$ and are expressed in the form

$$a_l(t) = \sum_{r=0}^{l-1} \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{h,r}^l \phi^{(p-h)} + \phi \cdot \sum_{v=0}^{q-2} a_{q+v,r}^l t^v \right\} \phi^r + a_{l,l}^0 \phi^l$$

where

$$\phi = \phi t^{q-1}, \phi^{(p)} = 1.$$

The characteristic constants ρ_j ($j=1,2,\dots,n$) of the regular singularities at $t=t_i$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p$) are given by the roots of the equations

$$(1.3) \quad [\rho]_n = \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{h,0}^l \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i) \frac{1}{\{\phi'(t_i)\}_l} [\rho]_{n-l}$$

$$[\rho]_k = \rho(\rho-1)\cdots(\rho-k+1).$$

Here we put $\rho_j - \rho_k \geq 0$ ($j < k$) if $\rho_j = \rho_k \pmod{1}$.

Furthermore, the characteristic constants λ_j ($j=1,2,\dots,n$) of the irregular singularity at infinity are given by the roots of the equation

$$(1.4) \quad \lambda^n = \sum_{l=1}^n \alpha_l \lambda^{n-l} \quad (l=1,2,\dots,n),$$

where $\alpha_l = a_{l,l}^0$.

We use the following notation

$$(1.5) \quad x_s(t) = t^{-(q-n)s} \frac{d^s x}{dt^s},$$

then we obtain

$$(1.6) \quad t \frac{dx_s}{dt} + (q-1)sx_s = t^s x_{s+1} \quad (s=0,1,\dots,n-1).$$

Multiplying both sides of (1.1) by $t^{-(q-n)}\phi^{-n+1}$, we can rewrite (1.1) in the form

$$(1.7) \quad \phi x_n(t) = \sum_{l=1}^n a_l(t) \phi^{-l+1} x_{n-l}(t),$$

and we can obtain from (1.6-7)

$$\begin{cases} \phi \frac{dx_s}{dt} = \theta_{s+1} \phi t^{-1} x_s + \phi x_{s+1} & (s=0,1,\dots,n-2) \\ \phi \frac{dx_{n-l}}{dt} = \theta_n \phi t^{-1} x_{n-l} + \sum_{l=1}^n a_l(t) \phi^{-l+1} x_{n-l} \end{cases}$$

where $\theta_j = -(j-1)(q-1)$ $(j=1,2,\dots,n)$.

Putting

$$(1.8) \quad \phi t^{-l} = \sigma^0 + \sigma^1 \phi^{(p-n)} + \dots + \sigma^{p-1} \phi^p \quad (\sigma^k; \text{constants}),$$

we can get a system of linear differential equations for the column vector $X(t) = (x_0(t), x_1(t), \dots, x_{n-1}(t))^T$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi \frac{dX}{dt} &= \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \phi t^{-1} & \phi & & & & \\ & \theta_2 \phi t^{-1} & \phi & & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \theta & \\ & & & & & \phi \\ 0 & & & & & \\ a_n(t) \phi^{1-n} & a_{n-1}(t) \phi^{2-n} & \dots & & \theta_n f t^{-1} + a_1(t) & \end{bmatrix} X \\ &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ A_n^0(\phi) A_{n-1}^0(\phi) \dots A_1^0(\phi) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ A_n^1(\phi) \dots A_1^1(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \phi^{(p-n)} + \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ A_n^{p-1}(\phi) \dots A_1^{p-1}(\phi) \end{bmatrix} \phi^p + \dots \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ A_n^{p+q-2}(\phi) \cdots A_{q+q-2}(\phi) \end{array} \right] \phi t^{q-2} + \left[\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & & 1 & & \\ & 0 & & & \\ & & 0 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ a_n & a_{n-1} & \cdots & \cdots & a_1 \end{array} \right] \phi \\
& + \left[\begin{array}{c} \sigma^0 \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \sigma^0 \theta_n \end{array} \right] + \left[\begin{array}{c} \sigma^1 \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \sigma^1 \theta_n \end{array} \right] \phi^{(p-n)} + \cdots \\
& + \left[\begin{array}{c} \sigma^{p-1} \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \sigma^{p-1} \theta_n \end{array} \right] \phi' \Big\} X \\
= & \left[\left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} A^h(\phi) \phi^{(p-h)} + \phi \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} A^{p+\nu}(\phi) t^\nu \right\} + A_\infty \phi + \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \theta^h \phi^{(p-h)} \right] X \\
(1.9) \quad = & \{A(t) + \theta\} X,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
A_l^h(\phi) &= \sum_{r=0}^{l-1} a_{l,r}^h \phi^{r-l+1} \\
&\quad (l=1,2,\dots,n; h=0,1,\dots,p,p+1,\dots,p+q-2) \\
\theta &= \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \theta^h \phi^{(p-h)}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we consider the following linear transformation with a triangular matrix as its coefficient

$$(1.10) \quad Y = E(t)X = \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} E^h(\phi)(\phi)^{(p-h)} + \phi \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} E^{p+\nu}(\phi)t^\nu \right\} X,$$

where

$$E^h(\phi) = \left[\begin{array}{cccccc} \delta^h & & & & & \\ e_{n,1}^h(\phi) & \ddots & & & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & & \\ e_{n,1}^h(\phi) & e_{n,2}^h(\phi) & \cdots & e_{n,n-1}^h(\phi) & \cdots & \delta^h \end{array} \right]$$

$$(h=0,1,\dots,p,p+1,\dots,p+q-2; \delta^0=1, \delta^h=0 \ (h\neq 0)).$$

Then our aim is to determine $E(t)$ such that $E(t)$ satisfies the system of linear differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} \phi \frac{d}{dt} E(t) + E(t) A(t) &= \phi \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{C_i}{t-t_i} + \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} B_k t^k \right\} E(t) - E(t) \theta \\ (1.11) \quad &= \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} G_m \phi^{(p-m)} + \phi \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} B_k t^k \right\} E(t) - E(t) \theta \end{aligned}$$

together with an appropriate choice of the constant matrices C_i (or G_m) and B_k ($i=1,2,\dots,p; m=0,1,\dots,p-1; k=0,1,\dots,q-1$). Here we have

$$C_i = \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} G_m \phi^{(p-m)}(t_i) \{\phi'(t_i)\}^{-1}.$$

Since the differential equation (1.1) includes n constants α_l ($l=1,2,\dots,n$) and $n(n+1)(p+q-1)/2$ constants a_l^h , ($l=1,2,\dots,n; r=0,1,\dots,l-1; h=0,1,\dots,p-1, p,\dots,p+q-1$), we may put $B_{q-1}=A_\infty$ and we may assume that G_m ($m=0,1,\dots,n$) and B_k ($k=0,1,\dots,q-2$) are lower triangular matrices. We attempt to show that $n(n+1)(p+q-1)/2$ elements of G_m and B_k can be determined uniquely by the same number of the constants a_l^h , through the differential equation (1.11).

We shall substitute the expressions (1.9) and (1.10) for $A(t)$, θ and $E(t)$ into (1.11) and compare the expressions attached to $\phi^{(p-m)}$ ($h=0,1,\dots,p-1$) and ϕt^ν ($\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$), respectively, in both side. We make some preparations for that purpose as follows:

Let $d_{m,h}^*$, $\varepsilon_{\omega,\nu}$ and $f_{\omega,\nu}$ are constants and

$$0 \leq m,h \leq p-1, \quad 0 \leq \omega,\nu \leq q-2.$$

[I] We can set

$$\begin{aligned} \phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)} &= \sum_{u=0}^{p-1} d_{m,h}^u \phi^{(p-\omega)} + \phi \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} d_{m,h}^{\nu+1} t^\nu \\ &\quad + \phi \{d_{m,h}^{p+q-1} \phi^{(p)} + d_{m,h}^{p+q} \phi^{(p-1)} + \dots + d_{m,h}^{m+h} \phi^{(2p+q-1-\omega)}\}^2 \\ (1.12) \quad &= \{\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}\}^0 + \phi [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 + \phi [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2. \end{aligned}$$

If $p \leq m+h \leq p+q-1$,

$$(1.13) \quad \begin{cases} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 = d_{m,h}^p + d_{m,h}^{p+1} t + \dots + d_{m,h}^{m+h} t^{(p-m-h)} \\ [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 = 0 \end{cases}.$$

If $m+h < p$,

$$(1.14) \quad \begin{cases} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 = d_{m,h}^0 \phi^{(p)} + d_{m,h}^1 \phi^{(p-1)} + \dots + d_{m,h}^{m+h} \phi^{(p-m-h)} \\ [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 = [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 = 0. \end{cases}$$

If $h=0$,

$$(1.15) \quad [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 = \phi^{(p-m)}.$$

It is obviously that $d_{m,h}^u = d_{h,m}^u$.

[II] We can set

$$(1.16) \quad \begin{aligned} \phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)} &= \phi \sum_{\nu=\omega}^{q-2} \varepsilon_{\omega,h}^\nu t^\nu + \phi \{ \varepsilon_{\omega,h}^{\nu+1} \phi^{(p)} + \varepsilon_{\omega,h}^{\nu+2} \phi^{(p-1)} + \dots \\ &\quad + \varepsilon_{\omega,h}^{\omega+h} \phi^{(p+q-1-(\omega+h))} \} \\ &= \phi [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 + \phi [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^2. \end{aligned}$$

If $\omega+h < q-1$,

$$(1.17) \quad \begin{cases} [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 = \varepsilon_{\omega,h}^\omega t^\omega + \varepsilon_{\omega,h}^{\omega+1} t^{\omega+1} + \dots + \varepsilon_{\omega,h}^{\omega+h} t^{\omega+h} \\ [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

If $h=0$,

$$(1.18) \quad [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 = t^\omega.$$

Generally, we have $\varepsilon_{\omega,h}^\nu \neq \varepsilon_{h,\omega}^\nu$.

[III] If $q-1 < \omega + \nu$, we have

$$(1.19) \quad \begin{aligned} \phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu &= \phi \sum_{u=0}^{p-1} f_{\omega,\nu}^{-l+u} \phi^{(p-\omega)} + \{ f_{\omega,\nu}^{\omega+\nu-1} + f_{\omega,\nu}^{\omega+\nu} t + \dots + f_{\omega,\nu}^{\omega+\nu+p} t^{\omega+\nu-(q-1)} \} \\ &= \phi \{ [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^1 + \phi [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2 \}. \end{aligned}$$

If $\omega + \nu < q-1$,

$$(1.20) \quad \begin{aligned} \phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu &= \phi \sum_{u=\omega+\nu}^{q-2} f_{\omega,\nu}^u t^\nu + \phi \{ f_{\omega,\nu}^{-l} \phi^{(p)} + f_{\omega,\nu}^{-l+1} \phi^{(p-1)} + \dots + \\ &\quad f_{\omega,\nu}^{\omega+\nu} \phi^{(q-1-(\omega+\nu))} \} \\ &= \phi \{ [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^1 + \phi [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2 \}. \end{aligned}$$

Particularly, if $\omega + \nu < q-1-p$,

$$(1.21) \quad \begin{cases} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^1 = f_{\omega,\nu}^{\omega+\nu} t^{\omega+\nu} + f_{\omega,\nu}^{\omega+\nu+1} t^{\omega+\nu+1} + \dots + f_{\omega,\nu}^{\omega+\nu+p} t^{\omega+\nu+p} \\ [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2 = 0. \end{cases}$$

It is obviously that $f_{\omega, \nu}^u = f_{\nu, \omega}^u$.

As a result of (1.12-21), we can express these situation by the following figure.

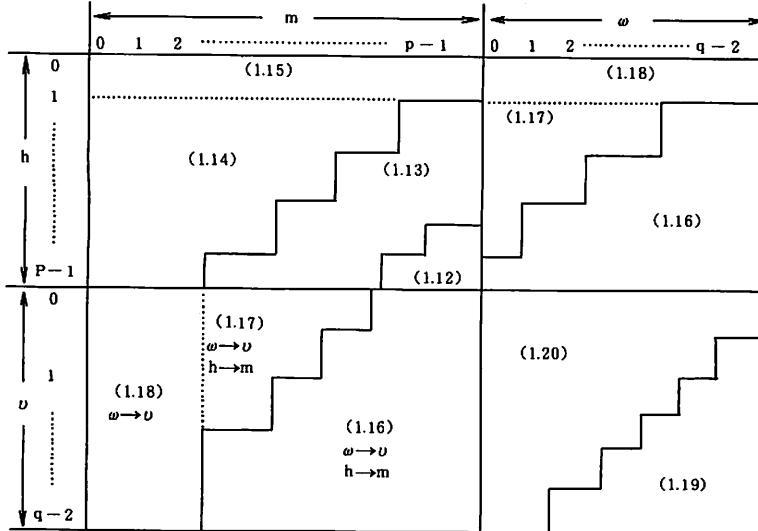


Fig.1.22

$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{If } p < q, \text{ then (1.12) is not exist.} \\ \text{If } p < q-1, \text{ then (1.21) is not exist.} \end{array} \right]$

Substituting the expressions (1.3) and (1.4) for $A(t)$, θ and $E(t)$ into (1.11) and using (1.12-21), we have as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{ ([\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 \} \\
 & \quad + ([\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 \} \\
 & \quad + \phi \{ [\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 \} \} DE^h \\
 & \quad + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \{ \phi \{ [\phi t^\nu \phi']^1 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^1 \} \\
 & \quad + \phi \{ [\phi t^\nu \phi']^2 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^2 \} DE^{p+\nu} \\
 & \quad + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \{ \phi \{ [\phi t^\nu \phi']^1 + \nu \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^1 \} \\
 & \quad + \phi \{ [\phi t^\nu \phi']^2 + \nu \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^2 \} E^{p+\nu} \\
 & \quad + \phi \{ p! E^1 + \sum_{h=2}^{p-1} [\phi \cdot \phi^{(p+1-h)}]^1 E^h \} + \phi \cdot \sum_{h=2}^{p-1} [\phi \cdot \phi^{p+1-h}]^2 E^h \}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \underbrace{\sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-m)} E^0 A^m + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} t^\omega E^0 A^{p+\omega}} \\
& + \underbrace{\phi \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-h)} E^h + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \phi t^\nu E^{p+\nu} \right\} A_\infty} \\
(1.23) \quad & = \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \left\{ \underbrace{[\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^0}_{+ \phi [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^1} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \underbrace{\phi [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2}_{\phi [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2} \right\} (G_m E^h - E^h \theta^m) \\
& + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \left\{ \underbrace{\phi [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^1}_{+ \phi [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^2} + \underbrace{\phi [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^2}_{(G_m E^{p+\nu} - E^{p+\nu} \theta^m)} \right\} \\
& + \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \left\{ \underbrace{\phi [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^1}_{+ \phi [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^2} + \underbrace{\phi [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^2}_{B_\omega E^h} \right\} \\
& + \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2-\omega} \left\{ \underbrace{\phi [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^1}_{+ \phi [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2} + \underbrace{\phi [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2}_{B_\omega E^{p+\nu}} \right\} \\
& + \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{\nu=q-1-\omega}^{q-2} \left\{ \underbrace{\phi [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2}_{+ \phi \phi [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^3} + \underbrace{\phi \phi [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^3}_{B_\omega E^{p+\nu}} \right\} \\
& + \underbrace{\phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-h)} B_{q-1} E^h + \phi \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} t^\nu B_{q-1} E^{p+\nu}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Here we used $E^h A^m = 0$ ($h \neq 0$, $0 < m < p+q-2$) and we denoted $D = \phi \frac{d}{dt}$.

(1.23) is formed by $\phi^{(p-h)}$ ($h=0, 1, \dots, p-1$) (under-line parts) and ϕt^ν ($\nu=0, 1, \dots, q-2$). Taking account of the fact that $A^h(\phi)$ ($h=0, 1, \dots, p-1$) are matrices of porinomials in ϕ^{-1} with no constant term, we can easily deduce from (1.23)'s under line parts that B_{q-1} must be equal to A_∞ .

We denote

$$G_m = \begin{bmatrix} g_{1,1}^m & & & \\ g_{2,1}^m & g_{2,2}^m & & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ g_{n,1}^m & g_{n,2}^m & \cdots & g_{n,n}^m \end{bmatrix} \quad (m=0, 1, \dots, p-1),$$

$$C_i = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1,1}^i & & & \\ c_{2,1}^i & c_{2,2}^i & & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ c_{n,1}^i & c_{n,2}^i & \cdots & c_{n,n}^i \end{bmatrix} \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, p),$$

and

$$B_\omega = \begin{pmatrix} b_{1,1}^\omega & & & \\ b_{2,1}^\omega & b_{2,2}^\omega & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ b_{n,1}^\omega & b_{n,2}^\omega & \cdots & b_{n,n}^\omega \end{pmatrix} \quad (\omega = 0, 1, \dots, q-2),$$

where

$$C_{j,k} = \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} g_{j,k}^m \phi^{(p-m)}(t_i) \right\} \frac{1}{\phi'(t_i)} .$$

Comparing the expressions attached to $\phi^{(p-h)}$ ($h=0,1,\dots,p-1$) and ϕt^ν ($\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$), respectively, in both sides of (1.23), we can rewrite (1.23) in the following elementwise form:

$$(1.24\alpha) \quad \phi e_{j,j-1}^h(\phi) = g_{j,j}^h - \sigma^h \theta_j + \phi e_{j+1,j}^h(\phi)$$

$$(1.24\beta) \quad \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} t^\omega e_{j,j-\omega}^{p+\nu}(\phi) = \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} t^\omega b_{j,j}^\omega + \phi \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} t^\nu e_{j+1,j}^{p+\nu}(\phi)$$

$$(j=1,2,\dots,n-1),$$

$$(1.25\alpha) \quad A_1 + \phi e_{n,n-1}^h(\phi) = g_{n,n}^h - \sigma^h \theta_n \quad (h=0,1,\dots,p-1) ,$$

$$(1.25\beta) \quad \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} t^\omega A_{1+\omega} + \phi \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} t^\nu e_{n,n-1}^{p+\nu}(\phi) = \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} t^\omega b_{n,n}^\omega$$

$$(1.26\alpha) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{ [\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 \} De_{j,j-k}^h \\ & + \phi \cdot \{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{ [\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 \} De_{j,j-k}^h \\ & + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} [\phi t^\nu \phi']^2 (De_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu} + e_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu}) + \sum_{h=2}^{p-1} [\phi \phi^{(p+1-h)}]^2 e_{j,j-k}^h \\ & + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu f^{(p-m)}]^2 ((q-1)De_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu} + \nu e_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu}) \} \\ & + \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-h)} e_{j,j-k-1}^h \\ & = \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-m)} \left(\sum_{l=j-k}^j g_{j,l}^m e_{l,j-k}^h - \sigma^m \theta_{j-k} e_{j,j-k}^h \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{h=1}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 \left(\sum_{l=j-k}^j g_{j,l}^m e_{l,j-k}^h - \sigma^m \theta_{j-k} e_{j,j-k}^h \right) \\
& + \phi \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 \left(\sum_{l=j-k+1}^j g_{j,l}^m e_{l,j-k}^h - \sigma^m \theta_{j-k} e_{j,j-k}^h \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}] \left(\sum_{l=j-k+1}^j (g_{j,l}^m e_{l,j-k}^{p+\nu} + b_{j,l}^\nu e_{l,j-k}^m) \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. - \sigma^m \theta_{j-k} e_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu} \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2 \left(\sum_{l=j-k+1}^j b_{j,l}^\omega e_{l,j-k}^{p+\nu} \right) \right\} \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-h)} e_{j+1,j-k}^h , \\
(1.26\beta) \quad & \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{ [\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-h)} \phi^{(p-m)}]^1 \} De_{j,j-k}^h \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} [\phi t^\nu \phi']^1 (De_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu} + e_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu}) \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}] ((q-1) De_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu} + \nu e_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu}) \\
& + \phi \{ p! e_{j,j-k}^j + \sum_{h=2}^{p-1} [\phi \phi^{(p+1-h)}]^1 e_{j,j-k}^h \} + \phi \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} t^\nu e_{j,j-k-1}^{p+\nu} \\
& = \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 \left(\sum_{l=j-k+1}^j g_{j,l}^m e_{l,j-k}^h - \sigma^m \theta_{j-k} e_{j,j-k}^h \right) \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^1 \left(\sum_{l=j-k+1}^j g_{j,l}^m e_{l,j-k}^{p+\nu} - \sigma^m \theta_{j-k} e_{j,j-k}^{p+\nu} \right) \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} t^\omega \sum_{l=j-k}^j b_{j,l}^\omega e_{l,j-k}^0 + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{h=1}^{p-1} [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^1 \cdot \sum_{l=j-k+1}^j b_{j,l}^\omega e_{l,j-k}^h \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \{ \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2-\omega} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^1 + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=q-1-\omega}^{q-2} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^3 \} \left(\sum_{l=j-k+1}^j b_{j,l}^\omega e_{l,j-k}^{p+\nu} \right) \\
& + \phi \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} t^\nu e_{j+1,j-k}^{p+\nu} \\
& \quad (j=2,3,\dots,n-1; k=1,2,\dots,j-1), \\
& \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{ [\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 \} De_{n,n-k}^h \\
(1.27\alpha) \quad & + \phi \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{ [\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 \} De_{n,n-k}^h \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} [\phi t^\nu \phi']^2 (De_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu} + e_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu}) + \sum_{h=2}^{p-1} [\phi \phi^{(p+1-h)}]^2 e_{n,n-k}^h \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^2 ((q-1) De_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu} + \nu e_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu}) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-h)} e_{n,n-k-h}^h + \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-m)} A_{k+1}^m \\
= & \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-m)} \left(\sum_{l=n-k}^n g_{n,l}^m e_{l,n-k}^0 - \sigma^m \theta_{n-k} e_{n,n-k}^0 \right) \\
& + \sum_{h=1}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^0 \left(\sum_{l=n-k+1}^n g_{n,l}^m e_{l,n-k}^h - \sigma^m \theta_{n-k} e_{n,n-k}^h \right) \\
& + \phi \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 \left(\sum_{l=n-k+1}^n g_{n,l}^m e_{l,n-k}^h - \sigma^m \theta_{n-k} e_{n,n-k}^h \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^2 \left(\sum_{l=n-k+1}^n (g_{n,l}^m e_{l,n-k}^{p+\nu} + b_{n,l}^\nu e_{l,n-k}^m) \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. - \sigma^m \theta_{n-k} e_{n,n-k}^{p-\nu} \right) \right\} \\
& + \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2 \left(\sum_{l=n-k+1}^n b_{n,l}^\omega e_{l,n-k}^{p+\nu} \right) \} \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-h)} \cdot \sum_{l=n-k+1}^n \alpha_{n+l-l} e_{l,n-k}^h, \\
(1.27\beta) \quad & \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{ [\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^l + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^l \} De_{n,n-k}^h \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} [\phi t^\nu \phi']^l (De_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu} + e_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu}) \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^l ((q-1)De_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu} + \nu e_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu}) \\
& + \phi \{ p! e_{n,n-k}^l + \sum_{h=2}^{p-1} [\phi \phi^{(p+l-h)}] e_{n,n-k}^h \} \\
& + \phi \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} t^\nu e_{n,n-k-l}^{p+\nu} + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} t^\omega A_{k+l}^{\omega} \\
= & \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^l \left(\sum_{l=n-k+1}^n g_{n,l}^m e_{l,n-k}^h - \sigma^m \theta_{n-k} e_{n,n-k}^h \right) \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^l \left(\sum_{l=n-k+1}^n g_{n,l}^m e_{l,n-k}^{p+\nu} - \sigma^m \theta_{n-k} e_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu} \right) \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} t^\omega \sum_{l=n-k}^n b_{n,l}^\omega e_{l,n-k}^0 \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{h=l}^{p-1} [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^l \cdot \sum_{l=n-k+1}^n b_{n,l}^\omega e_{l,n-k}^h \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \left\{ \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2-\omega} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^l + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=q-1-\omega}^{q-2} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^3 \right\} \left(\sum_{l=n-k+1}^n b_{n,l}^\omega e_{l,n-k}^{p+\nu} \right) \\
& + \phi \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} t^\nu \cdot \sum_{l=n-k+1}^n \alpha_{n+l-l} e_{l,n-k}^{p+\nu} \\
& \quad (k=1,2,\dots,n-1).
\end{aligned}$$

We interpret $e_{j,k}^h = 0$ ($h \leq 0$). From these relations we can easily observe that the k -th subdiagonal elements $\{e_{j,j-k}^h(\phi); h=0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$, $\{e_{j,j-k}^{h+\nu}(\phi); \nu=0, 1, \dots, q-2\}$ are taken as polynomials in ϕ^{-1} of degree k with no constant term.

2. We are now in a position to determine constants $c_{j,k}^i, b_{j,k}^w$ and all coefficients of polynomials $e_{j,k}^h(\phi)$ in ϕ^{-1} uniquely. To determine these, we use a lemma of M.Kohno [1]:

Lemma. Let $\eta_1^1, \eta_2^2, \dots, \eta_N^N$ be known constants such that

$$(2.1) \quad [\rho]_N + \eta_1^1 [\rho]_{N-1} + \dots + \eta_N^N = \prod_{i=1}^N (\rho - \rho_i)$$

$$([\rho]_\rho = \rho(\rho-1)\dots(\rho-\rho+1)).$$

Let μ be an unknown variable which satisfies the relations

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{cases} \xi_1^1 = (\mu - (n-1)) + \eta_1^1 \\ \xi_k^k = (\mu - (n-1)) \xi_{k-1}^{k-1} + \eta_k^k \quad (k=2,3,\dots,n-1) \\ 0 = \mu \xi_{N-1}^{N-1} + \eta_N^N. \end{cases}$$

Then μ is equal to one of ρ_i , i.e., for instance, $\mu = \rho_N$, and there holds

$$\left| \begin{array}{ccccccc} \xi_1^1 + \rho - (N-2) & -1 & & & & & 0 \\ \xi_2^2 & \rho - (N-3) & -1 & & & & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & & & -1 \\ & & & & 0 & & \\ \xi_{N-1}^{N-1} & & & & & \ddots & \rho \end{array} \right|$$

$$= [\rho]_{N-1} + \xi_1^1 [\rho]_{N-2} + \dots + \xi_{N-1}^{N-1} = \prod_{i=1}^{N-1} (\rho - \rho_i).$$

Now, we shall begin with the determination of coefficients of $e_{n,n-k}^h(\phi)$ and $c_{n,n}^i$. Let us put

$$(2.4) \quad e_{n,n-k}^h(\phi) = \xi_k^k \phi^{-k} + \dots \quad (k=1,2,\dots,n-1; h=0,1,\dots,p-1).$$

Then, from (1.25 α), we immediately obtain

$$(2.5) \quad a_{1,0}^h + \xi_1^h = g_{n,n}^h - \sigma^h \theta_n \quad (h=0,1,\dots,p-1).$$

Substituting (2.4) into (1.27 α) and equating coefficients of the power ϕ^{-k} attached to

$\phi^{(p-u)}$ ($u=0,1,\dots,p-1$) in both sides, we have

$$(2.6) \quad -k \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{d_{p-l,h}^u + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m d_{m,h}^u\} \xi_k^h + \xi_{k+1}^u + a_{k+1,0}^u$$

$$= \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} d_{m,h}^u (g_{n,n}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-h}) \xi_k^h$$

$$(k=1,2,\dots,n-1),$$

where $\xi_n^h = 0$ ($h=0,1,\dots,p-1$).

Here we use the following relations:

$$(2.7) \quad \sum_{u=0}^{p-1} d_{m,h}^u \phi^{(p-m)}(t_i) = [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]_0|_{t=t_i} = \phi^{(p-m)}(t_i) \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i)$$

$$\sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m \phi^{(p-m)}(t_i) = \{\phi^{(p-h)}\}_{t=t_i} = \begin{cases} 0 & (i \neq p) \\ \phi'(t_p) & (i=p) \end{cases}$$

Multiplying both sides of (2.6) by $\phi^{(p-u)}(t_i)$, adding to about u ($=0, 1, \dots, p-1$), and dividing by $\{\phi'(t_i)\}^{k+1}$, we can rewrite (2.6) in the form

$$\eta_{k+1}^i = (\mu^i + k) \eta_k^i - \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{k+1,0}^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i) \{\phi'(t_i)\}^{-k+1} \quad (i \neq p).$$

$$\eta_{k+1}^i = (\mu^p + (n-1))q - (n-k-1) \eta_k^i - \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{k+1,0}^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_p) \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{-k+1} \quad (i=p)$$

where

$$(2.8) \quad \mu^i = \{\sum_{m=0}^{p-1} g_{n,n}^m \phi^{(p-m)}(t_i)\} \{\phi'(t_i)\}^{-1} \quad (i=1,2,\dots,p)$$

$$\eta_k^i = \{\sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \xi_k^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i)\} \{\phi'(t_i)\}^{-k}.$$

Similarly, we can rewrite (2.5) as follows:

$$\eta_i^i = \mu^i - \{\sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{l,0}^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i)\} \{\phi'(t_i)\}^{-1} \quad (i \neq p),$$

$$\eta_i^i = \mu^p + (n-1)q - (n-1) - \{\sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{l,0}^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_p)\} \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{-1} \quad (i=p).$$

Hence we have obtained

$$(2.9) \quad \eta_i^i = \mu^i - \{\sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{l,0}^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i)\} \{\phi'(t_i)\}^{-1}$$

$$\eta_{k+1}^i = (\mu^i + k) \eta_k^i - \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{k+1,0}^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i) \{\phi'(t_i)\}^{-k+1} \quad (i=1,2,\dots,p-1; k=1,2,\dots,n-1)$$

and

$$(2.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \eta_i &= (\mu^p + (n-1)q - (n-1)) - \left(\sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{h,i}^k \phi^{(p-h)}(t_p) \right) \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{-1} \\ \eta_{k+1} &= (\mu^p + (n-1)q - (n-k-1)) \eta_k - \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} a_{h+k+1,i}^k \phi^{(p-h)}(t_p) \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{-1} \\ &\quad (k=1,2,\dots,n-1), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\eta_h^i = 0 \quad (i=1,2,\dots,p).$$

Applying the lemma in the beginning of section 2 to (2.9) and (2.10), we can see that $\mu^i + (n-1)$ ($i=1,1,\dots,p-1$) and $\mu^p + (n-1)q$ are equal to the same of the characteristic constants ρ_j ($j=1,2,\dots,p-1$) and ρ_n^j ($j=1,2,\dots,n$), respectively. Therefore, putting $\mu^i = \rho_h^i - (n-1)$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p-1$) and $\mu^p = \rho_n^p - (n-1)q$, we can determine all values ξ_k^h in (2.4) uniquely by means of (2.8-10). Then we have $c_{n-k}^i = \mu^i$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p$).

Next we set

$$(2.11) \quad e_{n-l,n-l-k}^h(\phi) = \zeta_k^h \phi^{-k} + \dots \quad (k=1,2,\dots,n-2; h=0,1,\dots,p-1)$$

and determine ζ_k^h and $c_{n-l,n-l}^i$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p$). It follows from (1.24α) that

$$(2.12) \quad \zeta_k^h = g_{n-l,n-l}^h - \sigma^h \theta_{n-l} + \xi_k^h \quad (h=0,1,\dots,p-1).$$

Substituting (2.11) into (1.26α) and equating coefficients of the power ϕ^{-k} attached to $\phi^{(p-u)}$ ($u=0,1,\dots,p-1$) in both sides, we have

$$(2.13) \quad \begin{aligned} &-k \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{d_{p-l,h}^u + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m d_{m,h}^u\} \cdot \zeta_k^h + \zeta_{k+1}^h \\ &= \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} d_{m,h}^u (g_{n-l,n-l}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-l-h}) \cdot \zeta_k^h + \xi_{k+1}^h \\ &\quad (k=1,2,\dots,n-2), \end{aligned}$$

where $\zeta_{n-l}^h = 0$ ($h=0,1,\dots,p-1$).

Then, putting again

$$(2.14) \quad \begin{aligned} \widehat{\mu}^i &= \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} g_{n-l,n-l}^m \phi^{(p-m)}(t_i) \right\} \{\phi'(t_i)\}^{-1} \\ \gamma_k^i &= \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \zeta_k^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i) \right\} \{\phi'(t_i)\}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

we can rewrite (2.12) and (2.13) as follows:

$$(2.15) \quad \begin{cases} \gamma_i^i = \widehat{\mu}^i + \eta_i^i \\ \gamma_{k+1}^i = (\widehat{\mu}^i + k) \gamma_k^i + \eta_{k+1}^i \end{cases} \quad (i=1,2,\dots,p-1; k=1,2,\dots,n-2),$$

$$(2.16) \quad \begin{cases} \gamma_i^k = \widehat{\mu}^p + (n-2)q - (n-2) + \eta_i \\ \gamma_{k+1}^k = (\widehat{\mu}^p + (n-2)q - (n-k-2)) \gamma_k^k + \eta_{k+1} \end{cases} \quad (k=1,2,\dots,n-2),$$

where $\gamma_{n-1}^i = 0$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p$).

Since the lemma yields that

$$(2.17) \quad [\rho]_{n-i} + \sum_{l=1}^{n-i} \eta_l [\rho]_{n-l-i} = \prod_{j=1}^{n-i} (\rho - \rho_j) \quad (i=1,2,\dots,p),$$

we again apply the lemma to (2.15) and (2.16) and we can see that $\widehat{\mu}^i + (n-2)$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p-1$) and $\widehat{\mu}^p + (n-2)q$ are equal to some of ρ_j ($j=1,2,\dots,p-1$) and ρ_p^i ($j=1,2,\dots,n-1$), respectively. Furthermore, putting $\widehat{\mu}^i = \rho_{n-i}^i - (n-2)$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p-1$) and $\widehat{\mu}^p = \rho_{n-1}^p - (n-2)q$, we can know that all values ζ_k^i are determined uniquely and then we have $c_{n-i,n-i}^i = \widehat{\mu}^i$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p$). Moreover we can proceed to the determination of $c_{i,j}^i$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p$) and the coefficients of

$$e_{i,j-k}^h = \zeta_k^i \phi^{-k} + \dots \quad (k=1,2,\dots,j-1; h=0,1,\dots,p-1)$$

for $j=n-2, n-3, \dots, 1$ in the same manner, and then we can put

$$(2.18) \quad \begin{cases} c_{i,j}^i = \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} g_{i,j}^m \phi^{(p-m)}(t_i) \right\} \{ \phi'(t_i) \}^{-1} = \rho_i^i - (j-1) & (i=1,2,\dots,p-1) \\ c_{i,j}^p = \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} g_{i,j}^m \phi^{(p-m)}(t_i) \right\} \{ \phi'(t_p) \}^{-1} = \rho_p^i - (j-1)q . \end{cases}$$

We shall begin with the determination of the coefficients $\xi_{k+\nu}^{\nu}$ ($e_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu}(\phi) = \xi_{k+\nu}^{\nu} \phi^{-k} + \dots$ ($k=1,2,\dots,n-1; \nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$)) and $b_{n,n}^{\nu}$ ($\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$)).

If we put

$$(2.19) \quad e_{n,n-k}^{p+\nu}(\phi) = \xi_{k+\nu}^{\nu} \phi^{-k} + \dots \quad (k=1,2,\dots,n-1; \nu=0,1,\dots,q-2).$$

We immediately obtain from (1.25β) that

$$(2.20) \quad a_{i,i}^{q+\nu} + \xi_{i+\nu}^{\nu} = b_{n,n}^{\nu} \quad (\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2),$$

and then (1.27β) yields that

$$\begin{aligned} & -k \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{ [\phi' \phi^{(p-h)}]^i + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^i \} \xi_k^h \\ & - (k-1) \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} [\phi t^{\nu} \phi']^i \xi_{k+\nu}^{\nu} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \{ \nu - k(q-1) \} \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^I \xi_k^{\nu+\nu} \\
& + \phi \{ p! \xi_k^I + \sum_{h=2}^{p-1} [\phi \phi^{(p+h-1)}] \xi_k^h \} \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} t^\nu \xi_k^{\nu+\nu} + \underline{\phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} t^\omega a_k^{\omega+\nu}} \\
& = \phi \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^I (g_{n,n}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-h}) \xi_k^h \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^I (g_{n,n}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-h}) \xi_k^{\nu+\nu} \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^I b_{n,n}^\omega \xi_k^h \\
& + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2-\omega} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^I b_{n,n}^\omega \xi_k^{\nu+\nu},
\end{aligned}$$

where under-line parts are known. Comparing coefficients attached to ϕt^ν ($\nu=0, 1, \dots, q-2$), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& -(k-1) \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\omega, p-1} \xi_k^{\nu+\omega} + \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \{ \omega - k(q-1) \} \varepsilon_{\omega, m} \xi_k^{\nu+\omega} + \xi_k^{\nu+\nu} \\
(2.21) \quad & = \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} (g_{n,n}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-h}) \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\omega, m} \xi_k^{\nu+\omega} \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\omega, m} b_{n,n}^\omega \xi_k^h \\
& + \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \sum_{u=0}^{\nu-\omega} f_{\omega, u}^\nu b_{n,n}^\omega \xi_k^{\nu+u} + \text{known values}.
\end{aligned}$$

Let the set $\{\xi_k^{\nu+\omega}, b_{n,n}^\omega\}$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, n-1$) be known for $\omega=0, 1, \dots, \nu-1$. Since $f_{\nu, 0}^\nu = 0$ and $\varepsilon_{\nu, h} = \phi^{(p-h)}(t_p)$, we have

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} \phi'(t_p) \eta_1 + \phi'(t_p)(\rho_n^p - (\nu+1) - (n-2)) \\ \vdots \\ \{\phi'(t_p)\}^n \eta_n \\ \vdots \\ \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{n-1} \eta_{n-1} \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{c} -1 \\ \ddots \\ \phi'(t_p)(\rho_n^p - (\nu+1) - (n-3)) \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ \vdots \\ -1 \\ \phi'(t_p)(\rho_n^p - (\nu+1)) \end{array} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_k^{\nu+\nu} \\ \xi_k^{\nu+\nu} \\ \vdots \\ \xi_k^{\nu+\nu} \end{pmatrix}$$

(2.22)

$$= \text{known values.}$$

Using the lemma, we see that the determinant of the matrix in the left hand side of the above formula is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{n-1} \{[\rho_n^p - (\nu + 1)]_{n-1} + \eta^q [\rho_n^p - (\nu + 1)]_{n-2} + \dots + \eta_{n-1}^p\} \\ &= \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{n-1} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (\rho_n^p - (\nu + 1) - \rho_j^p), \end{aligned}$$

which is non-vanishing from (1.3). Thus we have determined $\xi_k^{q+\nu}$ and b_{n-k}^ν ($k=1,2,\dots,n-1$; $\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$) uniquely.

Next we set

$$(2.23) \quad e_{n-l, n-1-k}^{p+\nu}(\phi) = \zeta_k^{q+\nu} \phi^{-k} + \dots \quad (k=1,2,\dots,n-2; \nu=0,1,\dots,q-2)$$

and determine $\zeta_k^{q+\nu}$ ($k=1,2,\dots,n-2$) and $b_{n-l, n-1}^\nu$ ($\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$). It follows from (1.24 β) that

$$(2.24) \quad \zeta_k^{q+\nu} = b_{n-l, n-1}^\nu + \xi_k^{q+\nu} \quad (\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2).$$

Since $\xi_k^{q+\nu}$ ($\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2; k=1,2,\dots,n-1$) and ζ_k^h ($h=0,1,\dots,p-1; k=1,2,\dots,n-2$) are known, (1.26 β) yields that

$$\begin{aligned} & (-k-1) \cdot \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} [\phi t^\nu \phi'] \zeta_k^{q+\nu} + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \{\nu - k(q-1)\} \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^l \zeta_k^{q+\nu} \\ & \quad + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} t^\nu \zeta_k^{q+\nu} \\ &= \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^l (g_{n-l, n-1}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-l-k}) \zeta_k^{q+\nu} \\ & \quad + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\omega \phi^{(p-h)}]^l b_{n-l, n-1}^\omega \zeta_k^h \\ & \quad + \phi \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2-\omega} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^l b_{n-l, n-1}^\omega \zeta_k^{q+\nu} + \text{known values}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, comparing coefficients attached to ϕt^ν ($\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & -(k-1) \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\omega, p-1} \zeta_k^{q+\omega} + \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \{\omega - k(q-1)\} \varepsilon_{\omega, m} \zeta_k^{q+\omega} + \zeta_k^{q+\nu} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} (g_{n-l, n-1}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-l-k}) \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\omega, m} \zeta_k^{q+\omega} \\ & \quad + \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\omega, h} b_{n-l, n-1}^\omega \zeta_k^h + \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \cdot \sum_{u=0}^{\nu-\omega} f_{\omega, u}^\nu b_{n-l, n-1}^\omega \zeta_k^{q+u} \\ & \quad + \text{known values}. \end{aligned}$$

Let the set $\{\zeta_k^{q+\omega}, b_{n-l, n-1}^\omega\}$ ($k=1,2,\dots,n-2$) be known for $\omega=0,1,\dots,\nu-1$. Then we have

$$(2.25) \quad \left[\begin{array}{c} \phi'(t_p) \gamma_{\frac{p}{n}} + \phi'(t_p) (\rho_{n-1}^p - (\nu+1) - (n-3)) \\ \{\phi'(t_p)\}^2 \gamma_{\frac{p}{n}} \\ \vdots \\ \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{n-1} \gamma_{\frac{p}{n}} \\ \hline 0 & -1 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & & -1 & \dots \\ & & & \ddots & -1 \\ & & & & \phi'(t_p)(\rho_{n-1}^p - (\nu+1)) \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \zeta_{\frac{p}{n}+\nu} \\ \zeta_{\frac{p}{n}+\nu} \\ \vdots \\ \zeta_{\frac{p}{n}+\nu} \end{array} \right] = \text{known values.}$$

Again, from the lemma, we can see that the determinant of the matrix in the left hand side is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{n-2} \{[\rho_{n-1}^p - (\nu+1)]_{n-2} + \gamma_{\frac{p}{n}} [\rho_{n-1}^p - (\nu+1)]_{n-3} + \dots + \gamma_{\frac{p}{n}-2}\} \\ &= \{\phi'(t_p)\}^{n-2} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{n-2} (\rho_{n-1}^p - (\nu+1) - \rho_j) \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have determined $\zeta_{\frac{p}{n}+\nu}$ and $b_{n-1, n-k}^v$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, n-2$; $\nu=0, 1, \dots, q-2$) uniquely.

Moreover we can proceed to the determination of $b_{j,j}^v$ ($\nu=0, 1, \dots, q-2$) and the coefficients

$$e_{j,j-h}^{p+\nu} = \zeta_{\frac{p}{n}+\nu} \phi^{-h} + \dots \quad (k=1, 2, \dots, j-1; \nu=0, 1, \dots, q-2)$$

for $j=n-2, n-3, \dots, 1$ in the same manner. From now on, we regard these constants as known values.

We now return to (1.27α) and determine $c_{n,n-k}^i$ ($i=1, 2, \dots, p$) and the coefficients x_k^h . Here we denote

$$(2.26) \quad e_{n,n-k}^h(\phi) = \xi_k^h \phi^{-h} + x_{k-1}^h \phi^{-h+1} + \dots \quad (k=2, 3, \dots, n-1; h=0, 1, \dots, p-1).$$

Substituting $k=1$ into (1.27α) and comparing the expression included $\phi^{(p-n)}$ ($h=0, 1, \dots, p-1$) in both sides, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & - \{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} [\phi' \phi^{(p-n)}] + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-n)}]^2 \} \xi_1^h \\ & + \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} (\nu - q + 1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^2 \xi_{\frac{p}{n}+\nu}^h + \sum_{h=2}^{p-1} [\phi \phi^{(p+1-n)}]^2 \xi_1^h \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-h)} x_h^h + \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-m)} a_m^m \\
 (2.27) \quad & = \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \phi^{(p-m)} g_{n,n-1}^m + \frac{\sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi^{(p-m)} \phi^{(p-h)}]^2 (g_{n,n}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-1}) \xi^h}{\sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\nu \phi^{(p-m)}]^2 \{g_{n,n}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-1}\} \xi^{p+\nu} + b_{n,n}^\nu \xi^{p+\nu}} \\
 & + \frac{\sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{\nu=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2 b_{n,n}^\omega \xi^{p+\nu}}{\sum_{\omega=0}^{q-2} \sum_{\nu=0}^{p-1} [\phi t^\omega \phi t^\nu]^2 b_{n,n}^\omega \xi^{p+\nu}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Here under-line parts are known values. From above relation, equating coefficients attached to $\phi^{(p-h)}$ in both sides, we have

$$(2.28) \quad x_h^h = g_{n,n-1}^h + \text{known values} \quad (h=0,1,\dots,p-1).$$

We here put

$$(2.29) \quad \tau_i^h = \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} x_h^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i) \right\} \{ \phi'(t_i) \}^{-1} \quad (i=1,2,\dots,p),$$

and rewrite (2.28) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.30) \quad \tau_i^h & = \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} g_{n,n-1}^h \phi^{(p-h)}(t_i) \right\} \{ \phi'(t_i) \}^{-1} + \text{known values} \\
 & \quad (i=1,2,\dots,p).
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting (2.26) into (2.27a) and equating coefficients of the power ϕ^{-k+1} attached to $\phi^{(p-u)}$ ($u=0,1,\dots,p-1$) in both sides, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.31) \quad & -(k-1) \cdot \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \{ d_{p-k,h}^u + (q-1) \cdot \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma^m d_{m,h}^u \} x_{k-1}^h + x_k^u \\
 & = \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} d_{m,h}^u \{ (g_{n,n}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-k}) x_{k-1}^h + g_{n,n-1}^m \zeta_{k-1}^h \} \\
 & + \text{known values} \quad (k=2,3,\dots,n-1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Using (2.29), we rewrite (2.3) as follows:

$$(2.32) \quad \tau_i^h = \{ \rho_n^i - 1 - (n-1-k) \} \tau_{k-1}^h + \tau_i^h \gamma_{k-1}^h + \text{known values} \quad (i \neq p),$$

$$(2.33) \quad \tau_k^h = \{ \rho_n^p - q - (n-1-k) \} \tau_{k-1}^h + \tau_k^h \gamma_{k-1}^h + \text{known values},$$

where

$$\tau_{n-1}^i = 0 \quad (i=1,2,\dots,p).$$

Then, it follows from (2.32) and (2.33) that

$$(2.34) \quad \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_i + \rho_n^i - 1 - (n-3) & -1 & & & 0 \\ \gamma_i & \rho_n^i - 1 - (n-4) & -1 & & \tau_i \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & & & -1 \\ \gamma_{n-2} & & & & \rho_n^{n-2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau_i \\ \tau_{i+1} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \tau_{n-2} \end{bmatrix}$$

and that

$$(2.35) \quad \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_i + \rho_n^i - q - (n-3) & -1 & & & 0 \\ \gamma_i & \rho_n^i - q - (n-4) & -1 & & \tau_i \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & & & & -1 \\ \gamma_{n-2} & & & & \rho_n^{n-2} - q \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau_i \\ \tau_{i+1} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \tau_{n-2} \end{bmatrix}$$

We see the determinants of the coefficient matrices in (2.34) and (2.35) are equal to

$$[\rho_n^i - 1]_{n-2} + \sum_{l=1}^{n-2} \gamma_l [\rho_n^i - 1]_{n-2-l} = \prod_{j=1}^{n-2} (\rho_n^i - 1 - \rho_j) \quad (i=1,2,\dots,p-1),$$

and

$$[\rho_n^i - q]_{n-2} + \sum_{l=1}^{n-2} \gamma_l [\rho_n^i - q]_{n-2-l} = \prod_{j=1}^{n-2} (\rho_n^i - q - \rho_j),$$

respectively, which are non-vanishing. Hence $c_{n,n-i}^i$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p$) and the coefficients x_k^k are determined uniquely.

Lastly we shall determine $b_{n,n-i}^\nu$ ($\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$) and the coefficients $x_k^{k+\nu}$. Here we denote

$$(2.36) \quad e_{n,n-k}^{k+\nu}(\phi) = \xi_k^{k+\nu} \phi^{-k} + x_{k-1}^{k+\nu} \phi^{-k+1} + \dots \dots \\ (k=2,3,\dots,n-1; \nu=0,1,\dots,q-2).$$

Substituting $k=1$ into (1.27β) and equating coefficients attached to ϕt^ν in both sides, we have

$$(2.37) \quad b_{n,n-i}^\nu = x_1^{k+\nu} + \alpha \xi_1^{k+\nu} - f_{k-1}^{k+\nu} b_{n,n}^\omega \xi_1^{k+\nu} \quad (\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2).$$

Furthermore, substituting (2.36) into (1.27β) and equating coefficients of the power ϕ^{-k+l} attached to ϕt^ν ($\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$) in both sides, we obtain

$$(2.38) \quad -(k-2) \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\omega,p-1}^\nu x_{k-1}^{k+\omega} + \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sigma_m \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \{\omega - (k-1)(q-1)\} \varepsilon_{\omega,m}^\nu x_{k-1}^{k+\omega} + x_k^{k+\nu}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} (g_{n,n}^m - \sigma^m \theta_{n-k}) \cdot \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\omega,m}^k x_k^{k+\omega} + \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \varepsilon_{\omega,h}^k b_{n,n-1}^{\omega} \zeta_{k-1}^h \\
&\quad + \sum_{\omega=0}^{\nu} \sum_{u=0}^{\nu-\omega} f_{\omega,u}^k (b_{n,n-1}^{\omega} \zeta_{k-1}^{k+\omega} + b_{n,n}^{\omega} x_k^{k+\omega}) + \text{known values}.
\end{aligned}$$

Let the set $\{x_k^{k+\omega}, b_{n,n-1}^{\omega}\}$ ($k=1,2,\dots,n-2$) be known for $\omega=0,1,\dots,\nu-1$. Nothing that $f_{\nu,0}^k = 0$ and $\varepsilon_{\nu,h}^k = \phi^{(p-n)}(t_p)$, we get from (2.37) and (2.38) that

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
\phi'(t_p) \gamma & + \phi''(t_p)(\rho_n^p - q - (\nu+1) - (n-3)) & & & & -1 \\
\{ \phi'(t_p) \}^2 \gamma & & \phi'(t_p)(\rho_n^p - q - (\nu+1) - (n-4)) & & & \\
\vdots & & & \ddots & & \\
\{ \phi'(t_p) \}^{n-2} \gamma & & & & & \\
\hline
0 & & & & & 0 \\
& \ddots & & & & -1 \\
& & \phi'(t_p)(\rho_n^p - q - (\nu+1)) & & & -1 \\
& & & \ddots & & \\
& & & & \ddots & \\
& & & & & \ddots \\
& & & & & x_n^{p+\nu} \\
& & & & & x_{n-1}^{p+\nu} \\
& & & & & \vdots \\
& & & & & x_1^{p+\nu}
\end{array} \right] = \text{known values} .$$

Similarly, it follows from the lemma that the determinant of the above matrix is equal to

$$\{ \phi'(t_p) \}^{n-2} \{ [\rho_n^p - q - (\nu+1)]_{n-2} + \gamma \{ [\rho_n^p - q - (\nu+1)]_{n-3} + \dots + \gamma_{n-2}^p \}$$

$$= \{ \phi'(t_p) \}^{n-2} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{n-2} (\rho_n^p - q - (\nu+1) - \rho_j^p) ,$$

which is non-vanishing. Therefore, we have determined $x_k^{p+\nu}$ and $b_{n,n-1}^{\nu}$ ($k=1,2,\dots,n-1$; $\nu=0,1,\dots,q-2$) uniquely.

Continuting the above procedure in succession, we can determine all $c_{j,k}^i, b_{j,k}^o$ and all the coefficients of polynomials $e_{j,k}^i(\phi)$ and $e_{j,k}^{i+\nu}(\phi)$. The complete proof of the validity will be done by mathematical induction. We here omit the details.

We consequently obtain the following theorem:

Theorem. *Under the assumption that $\rho_j - \rho_k \geq 0$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p$) in the case $\rho_j = \rho_k \pmod{1}$ ($j < k$) the single linear differential equation (1.1) can be reduced to the Schlesinger system (1.2) by the following linear transformation with rational functions*

as its coefficients,

$$Y = E(t)X = \left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{p-1} E^h(\phi) \phi^{(p-h)} + \phi \cdot \sum_{\nu=0}^{q-2} E^{p+\nu}(\phi) t^\nu \right\} X.$$

And that, in (1.2)

$$B_{q-t} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & & & \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & 0 & 1 \\ a_{n,n}^0 & a_{n-1,n-1}^0 & \cdots & a_{2,2}^0 & a_{1,1}^0 \end{bmatrix},$$

whose eigenvalues are the characteristic constants λ_j ($j=1,2,\dots,n$), and C_i ($i=1,2,\dots,p$) are triangular matrices, whose diagonal elements are given by $(\rho_1^i, \rho_1^i - 1, \dots, \rho_n^i - (n-1))$ ($i=1,2,\dots,p-1$), $(\rho_1^p, \rho_1^p - q, \dots, \rho_n^p - (n-1)q)$, respectively.

Appendix. In [1], M. Kohno referred to the possibility of algebraic manipulation of the reduction problem. We state here a program of an algebraic manipulation for a reduction of single linear differential equation to Birkhoff canonical systems by REDUCE on PC (Ver.3.2).

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% A Simple reduction of Single Linear Differential
%   Equation to Birkhoff and Schlesinger's
%       Canonical Systems
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%%%%%%%
ARRAY AA(N,Q*N);
FOR I:=1:N DO
BEGIN
  FOR K:=0:Q*N DO
    AA(I,K):=SUB(S=0,DF(A(I,S),S,K))
    / (FOR J:=1:K PRODUCT J):
END;

OPERATOR P;
ARRAY KSI(N,N,Q,N);

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KSI(N,N-1,0,1):=P(N)-AA(1,0);
FOR K:=1:N-1 DO
  KSI(N,N-(K+1),0,K+1)
  := (P(N)-(N-K-1)) * KSI(N,N-K,0,K)
  - AA(K+1,0);

FOR I:=1:Q-1 DO
BEGIN
  KSI(N,N-1,I,1):=U;
  FOR K:=1:N-1 DO
    KSI(N,N-(K+1),I,K+1)
    := (P(N)-I-(N-K-1)) * KSI(N,N-K,I,K)
    + (FOR L:=0:I-1 SUM
      KSI(N,N-K,L,K) *
      (KSI(N,N-1,I-L,1)+AA(1,I-L)))
    - AA(K+1,I);
  KSI(N,N-1,I,1):=-SUB(U=0,KSI(N,0,I,N))
  / (DF(KSI(N,0,I,N),U));

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CLEAR U;
END;

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FOR J:=N-1 STEP -1 UNTIL 2 DO
  KSI(J,J-1,0,1):=P(J)-(J-1)+KSI(J+1,J,0,1);
FOR J:=N-1 STEP -1 UNTIL 2 DO
  BEGIN
    FOR K:=1:J-1 DO
      KSI(J,J-(K+1),0,K+1):=(P(J)-(J-K-1)) *
        KSI(J,J-K,0,K)
        +KSI(J+1,J+1-(K+1),0,K+1);
  END;

FOR J:=N-1 STEP -1 UNTIL 2 DO
  BEGIN
    FOR I:=Q-1 DO
      BEGIN
        KSI(J,J-1,I,1):=U;
        FOR K:=1:J-1 DO
          KSI(J,J-(K+1),I,K+1)
            :=(P(J)-I-(J-K-1)) * KSI(J,J-K,I,K)
            +(FOR L:=0:I-1 SUM
              KSI(J,J-K,L,K) * (KSI(J,J-1,I-L,1)
                -KSI(J+1,J,I-L,1)))
            +KSI(J+1,J-K,I,K+1);
        KSI(J,J-1,I,1):=-SUB(U=0,KSI(J,0,I,J))
          /(DF(KSI(J,0,I,J),U));
      END;
  END;

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ARRAY B(N,N);
B(N,N):=AA(1,Q) * (S ** Q)
  +(FOR L:=1:Q-1 SUM (KSI(N,N-1,L,1)
    +AA(1,L)) * (S ** L))
  +P(N)-(N-1)*Q \$

FOR J:=N-1:2 DO
  B(J,J):=P(J)-(J-1)*Q

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+ (FOR L:=1:Q-1 SUM (KSI(J,J-1,L,1)
+ KSI(J+1,J,L,1)) * S * * L);

FOR I:=1:N-1 DO
  B(I,I+1):=S * * Q;

%%%%%%%%%%%%%
PROCEDURE EE(I,J,K,S);
  EE(I,J,K,S):=(FOR L:=0:Q-1 SUM
    KSI(I,J,L,K) * (S * * L));
%%%%%%%%%%%%%
%%%%%%%%%%%%%
PROCEDURE BEI(I,J,K,M);
BEGIN
  SCALAR PROC;
  LET S * * Q=0 $;
  PROC:=B(I,J) * EE(J,K,M,S);
  CLEAR S * * Q;
  RETURN PROC;
END;
%%%%%%%%%%%%%
%%%%%%%%%%%%%
PROCEDURE BEO(I,J,K,M);
BEGIN
  SCALAR PROCE;
  PROCE:=(B(I,J) * EE(J,K,M,S)
    - BEI(I,J,K,M)/(S * * Q));
  RETURN PROCE;
END;
%%%%%%%%%%%%%

ARRAY BB(N,N-1,Q-1);
FOR K:=1:N-1 DO
BEGIN
  FOR R:=0:Q-1 DO
    BB(N,N-K,R)
      :=SUB(S=0,DF(EE(N,N-K,1,S),S,R))
        * (FOR I:=1:R PRODUCT I)
        +AA(K+1,Q * K+R)
        -SUB(S=0,DF((FOR L:=0:K-1 SUM
          BEO(N,N-L,N-K,1)),S,R));

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FOR L:=1:Q-1 DO
BEGIN
  FOR M:=1:N-K-1 DO
  BEGIN
    KSI(N,N-K-1,L,1):=U;
    F:=(FOR I:=1:K-1 SUM
      (BEI(N,N-I,N-K-M,M)
       +BEO(N,N-I,N-K-M,M+1)))
     +BEO(N,N,N-K-M,M+1):
    KSI(N,N-K-(M+1),L,M+1)
    :=(P(N)-K*Q-L-(N-K-M-1))
     *KSI(N,N-K-M,L,M)
    +BB(N,N-K,L)*KSI(N-K,N-K-M,0,M)
    -AA(K+M+1,M*Q+L)
    +(FOR I:=1:L SUM
      KSI(N,N-K-M,L-I,M)
      *(KSI(N,N-1,I,1)
       +AA(1,I)))
    +(FOR I:=1:L SUM
      KSI(N-K,N-K-M,I,M)
      *BB(N,N-K,L-I))
    +SUB(S=0,DF(F,S,L))*
     (FOR I:=1:L PRODUCT I);
    CLEAR F;
    KSI(N,N-K-1,L,1)
    :=-SUB(U=0,KSI(N,0,L,N-K))
     /(DF(KSI(N,0,L,N-K),U));
  END;
  END;
  B(N,N-K):=(FOR R:=0:Q-1 SUM
    BB(N,N-K,R)*S**R)
   +AA(K+1,Q*K+Q)*S**Q
END;

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FOR J:=N-1 STEP -1 UNTIL 2 DO
BEGIN
  FOR K:=1:J-1 DO
  BEGIN

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FOR R:=0:Q-1 DO
BEGIN
  G:=EE(J,J-K-1,1,S)-EE(J+1,J-K,1,S)
  -(FOR L:0:K-1 SUM BEO(J,J-L,J-K,1));
  BB(J,J-K,R):=SUB(S=0,DF(G,S,R));
  CLEAR G;
END;

FOR L:=1:Q-1 DO
BEGIN
  FOR M:=1:J-K-1 DO
  BEGIN
    KSI(J,J-K-1,L,1):=V;
    H:=FOR I:=1:K-1 SUM
      (BEI(J,J-I,J-K-M,M)
       +BEO(J,J-I,J-K-M,M+1))
      +BEO(J,J-J-K-M,M+1)
      +EE(J+1,J-K-M,M+1,S);
    KSI(J,J-K-M,L,M+1)
    :=(P(J)-K*Q-L-(J-K-M-1))
     *KSI(J,J-K-M,L,M)
    BB(J,J-K,L)*KSI(J-K,J-J-K-M,0,M)
    +(FOR I:=1:L SUM
      (KSI(J,J-1,L,1)+KSI(J+1,J,L,1))
      *KSI(J,J-K-M,L-I,M)))
    +(FOR I:=1:L SUM
      KSI(J-K,J-K-M,I,M)*BB(J,J-K,L-I))
    SUB(S=0,DF(H,S,L))*
    (FOR I:=1:L PRODUCT I);
    CLEAR H;
    KSI(J,J-K-1,L,1)
    :=-SUB(V=0,KSI(J,0,L,J-K))
     /(DF(KSI(J,0,L,J-K),V));
  END;
END;
END;
END;
END;

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