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where δ denotes an arbitrary function and u and v the functions of p and q , derived from the equations (4).

In the particular case that the function θ satisfies the two members of the equation (3) separately, we have to distinguish two cases according to the double sign in

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial q} - \frac{\theta_{12} \pm \sqrt{\theta_{12}^2 - \theta_{11} \theta_{22}}}{\theta_{11}} \frac{\partial D}{\partial p} = 0.$$

The general integral can be written in both cases respectively

$$\left. \begin{aligned} p &= \frac{1}{u} f[u(v \mp g'')] + r''(u) \\ q &= v \\ \theta &= (2u^2 g'' - 4ug' + 4g \mp u^2 v)p - 2 \int (u g''' \mp v) u p \, du \end{aligned} \right\}, \quad (5)$$

where $g = g(u)$ has the same meaning as before, whilst f and r represent two new arbitrary functions of the arguments placed after these symbols.

In these cases the two intermediate integrals are

$$\begin{aligned} z \mp y(u g''' - g'') - x(u r''' + r'') &= \delta(u), \\ y + x f'[u(v \mp g'')] &= \delta[u(v \mp g')], \end{aligned}$$

the values of u and v being expressed in p and q with the aid of the formulae (5).

The condition (3) appears, although in a different shape, already in the excellent dissertation of J. VALYI (Klausenburg 1880).

Mathematics. — “*The singularities of the focal curve of a plane general curve touching the line at infinity σ times and passing ε times through each of the imaginary circle points at infinity.*”

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In “Verhandeling” 5 of the “Kon. Ak. v. W.” at Amsterdam Vol. VIII, I have deduced some formulae expressing the singularities of the focal developable and of the focal curve in function of the singularities of a plane curve having no particular position.

In a similar way it is possible to deduce the following formulae expressing the singularities of the focal developable and of the focal curve of a plane curve touching the line at infinity σ times and

passing ε times through each of the imaginary circle points at infinity.

Let the plane curve be of order μ , of class ν and let ι represent the number of its inflectional points. Then the singularities of the evolute or of the cuspidal curve of its focal developable are the following:

$$\text{rank, } r = 2(\mu + \nu - 2\varepsilon - \sigma)$$

$$\text{class, } m = 2\nu$$

$$\text{number of stationary planes, } a = 2\iota$$

$$\text{double osculating planes, } G = \nu^2 - \nu - \mu - 3\iota + 3\sigma^2 + 2\varepsilon - \sigma$$

$$\text{stationary tangents, } v = 0$$

$$\text{double points, } H = 3(\mu - \nu) + \iota$$

$$\text{double tangents, } \omega = 0$$

$$\text{order, } n = 2(3\mu + \iota - 6\varepsilon - 3\sigma)$$

$$\text{stationary points } \beta = 2(6\mu - 2\nu + 3\iota - 12\varepsilon - 6\sigma)$$

stationary points not at infinity and not in the plane of the curve

$$\beta' = 2(5\mu - 3\nu + 3\iota - 8\varepsilon - 3\sigma)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{order of the nodal curve } x = 2(\mu + \nu)^2 - 10\mu - 2\nu - 3\iota - 8\mu\varepsilon \\ - 4\mu\sigma - 8\nu\varepsilon - 4\nu\sigma + 8\varepsilon^2 + 8\varepsilon\sigma + 2\sigma^2 \\ + 20\varepsilon + 10\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

The chief singularities of the focal curve are:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{order, } n = 2\mu^2 + 4\mu\nu + \nu^2 - 11\mu - \nu - 3\iota - 8\mu\varepsilon - 4\mu\sigma - 8\nu\varepsilon - 2\nu\sigma \\ + 8\varepsilon^2 + 8\varepsilon\sigma + \sigma^2 + 20\varepsilon + 9\sigma \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{rank, } r = 4\mu\nu + \nu^2 - 4\mu - 4\nu - 8\nu\varepsilon - 2\nu\sigma - 3\sigma^2 + 8\varepsilon + 5\sigma$$

number of stationary tangents, $v = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{class, } m = 6\mu^2 + 6\mu\nu + 4\mu\iota + 2\nu\iota - 36\mu - 12\nu - 18\iota - 24\mu\varepsilon \\ - 6\mu\sigma - 12\nu\varepsilon - 4\nu\sigma - 8\iota\varepsilon - 2\iota\sigma + 24\varepsilon^2 + 12\varepsilon\sigma - 8\sigma^2 \\ + 60\varepsilon + 28\sigma \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{number of stationary points } \beta = 2(3\mu + \iota)(2\mu + \nu) - 57\mu + 21\nu \\ - 27\iota - 48\mu\varepsilon - 18\mu\sigma - 12\nu\varepsilon - 4\nu\sigma \\ - 8\iota\varepsilon - 2\iota\sigma + 48\varepsilon^2 + 36\varepsilon\sigma + 4\sigma^2 \\ + 36\varepsilon\sigma + 96\varepsilon + 40\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

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§ 1. Let d be the section of the osculating plane V in a point P of the twisted curve C with the developable O of which C is the cuspidal curve; then the twisted curve C and the section d have in the point P only two points in common, that is they have in P a contact of the first order.