

TYPE II DEGENERATIONS OF K3 SURFACES

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Introduction

A *degeneration* of K3 surfaces (over the complex number field) is a proper holomorphic map $\pi: X \rightarrow \Delta$ from a three dimensional complex manifold to a disc, such that, for $t \neq 0$, the fibres $X_t = \pi^{-1}(t)$ are smooth K3 surfaces (i.e. surfaces X_t with trivial canonical class $K_{X_t} = 0$ and $\dim H^1(X_t, \mathcal{O}_{X_t}) = 0$).

Recently, Kulikov [7], Persson and Pinkham [12] have classified the semi-stable degenerations of K3 surfaces into three types and Friedman [2], [3] has studied the local moduli problem for D -semi-stable K3 surfaces. On the other hand, Piatetskii-Shapiro and Shafarevich [13], Burns and Rapoport [1] proved the Torelli theorem for Kaehler K3 surfaces. One of the next steps for the study of the moduli problem for K3 surfaces is to extend the theory of the period of smooth K3 surfaces to the degenerate case.

From the point of view of the moduli problem, the following surfaces are fundamental (see (1.6)): A *stable K3 surface of type II* is a surface $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ with normal crossings such that; (i) X_i is a smooth rational surface ($i = 1, 2$) and $E = X_1 \cap X_2$ is a smooth elliptic curve, (ii) the dualizing sheaf ω_X on X is trivial, (iii) the line bundle $N_{E/X_1} \otimes N_{E/X_2}$ over E is trivial, where N_{E/X_i} is the normal bundle of E in X_i ($i = 1, 2$).

In this paper we define the periods of stable K3 surfaces of type II and prove the Torelli theorem for them. Let $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ be a stable K3 surface of type II. Then the component X_i is not always minimal and there happens a birational modification between the stable K3 surfaces of type II, which is called a modification of type I in [7]. Let $L(X)$ denote the lattice $\{(x_1, x_2) \in H^2(X_1; \mathbf{Z}) \oplus H^2(X_2; \mathbf{Z}); (x_1, [E_1])_{X_1} = (x_2, [E_2])_{X_2} / \mathbf{Z}([E_1] - [E_2])\}$, where $[E_i] (\in H^2(X_i; \mathbf{Z}))$ is the cohomology class of the double curve $E = X_1 \cap X_2$. Then $L(X)$ is an even unimodular lattice of signature (1, 17).

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We define the period of the stable $K3$ surface X by a homomorphism $\omega_X: L(X) \rightarrow J(E) := \text{Jacobian variety of } E$ (see (2.8)). The idea of our definition is due to Y. Namikawa [11].

Roughly speaking, our main result is as follows: let X and X' be two stable $K3$ surfaces of type II with the “same” period. Then there is a bimeromorphic map $X \dashrightarrow X'$ which is a composite of modifications of type I (see (2.14)).

The plan of this paper is as follows: in Section 1 we collect the known facts about the semi-stable degenerations of $K3$ surfaces, in Section 2 we state our main results (Theorems (2.14), (2.15)), and Section 3 is devoted to their proofs.

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§1. Semi-stable degenerations of $K3$ surfaces

(1.1) A *semi-stable degeneration* of surfaces (resp. $K3$ surfaces) is a proper holomorphic map $\pi: X \rightarrow \Delta$ from a three dimensional complex manifold to a disc such that: (i) the fibres $X_t = \pi^{-1}(t)$ are smooth surfaces (resp. smooth $K3$ surfaces) for $t \neq 0$; (ii) the central fibre $X_0 = \pi^{-1}(0)$ is a divisor with normal crossings; (iii) all components of X_0 have multiplicity one in the fibre.

If a degeneration of surfaces is projective, it becomes bimeromorphic to a semi-stable one after a base change ([5]).

(1.2) Let $\pi: X \rightarrow \Delta$ be a semi-stable degeneration of surfaces. The *dual graph* of $X_0 = \pi^{-1}(0)$ is the following simplicial complex: (i) The set of vertices is the set of irreducible components of X_0 ; (ii) The set of edges is the set of components of double curves of X_0 ; (iii) The set of faces is the set of triple points of X_0 .

(1.3) A degeneration of surfaces $\pi: X \rightarrow \Delta$ is *weakly Kaehler* if there exists a bimeromorphic map $\phi: X \dashrightarrow X'$ such that ϕ is biholomorphic on $X - \pi^{-1}(0)$, the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\phi} & X' \\ \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi' \\ \Delta & = & \Delta \end{array}$$

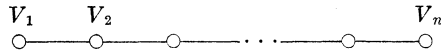
is commutative and such that X' is a Kaehler manifold.

In the study of the degenerations of K3 surfaces, the following results are essential.

(1.4) **THEOREM** (Kulikov [7], Persson and Pinkham [12]). *Let $\pi: X \rightarrow \Delta$ be a degeneration of K3 surfaces. If all components of the central fibre $X_0 = \pi^{-1}(0)$ are algebraic, then X is bimeromorphic to a semi-stable degeneration $\pi': X' \rightarrow \Delta$ with $K_{X'} \equiv \mathcal{O}_{X'}$, where $K_{X'}$ is the canonical line bundle of X' .*

(1.5) **THEOREM** (Kulikov [7]). *Let $\pi: X \rightarrow \Delta$ be a weakly Kaehler, semi-stable degeneration of K3 surfaces with $K_X \equiv \mathcal{O}_X$. Then $X_0 = \pi^{-1}(0)$ is one of the following three types:*

- (Type I) X_0 is a smooth K3 surface;
- (Type II) $X_0 = V_1 + V_2 + \dots + V_{n-1} + V_n$, where V_1 and V_n are rational surfaces, V_2, \dots, V_{n-1} are elliptic ruled surfaces and $V_i \cap V_{i+1}$, $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$, are smooth elliptic curves. The dual graph of X_0 is as follows:



- (Type III) $X_0 = V_1 + \dots + V_n$, where all V_i 's are rational surfaces and the double curves $V_i \cap V_j$ on V_j are smooth rational curves forming a cycle. The dual graph of X_0 is a triangulation of 2-sphere S^2 .

(1.6) **Remark.** In this paper we study the type II degenerations in the above Theorem (1.5). Among them, the type II degenerations without the elliptic ruled components are fundamental in the following sense: let $\pi: X \rightarrow \Delta$ be as in Theorem (1.5). Suppose the central fibre $X_0 = V_1 + V_2 + \dots + V_{n-1} + V_n$ is of type II. By performing some birational modifications, we can assume that the elliptic ruled components V_2, \dots, V_{n-1} are minimal. Then we can contract V_2, \dots, V_{n-1} along the rulings for which the double curves are sections (cf. [2], [4]). This produces a new threefold X' mapping to Δ , and X' has a curve of A_{n-2} surface singularities. Moreover the new central fibre X'_0 is a surface of type II without the elliptic ruled components. This is similar to the case of degenerations of elliptic curves of type I_b ([6], p. 604).

(1.7) **LEMMA.** *Let $\pi: X \rightarrow \Delta$ be as in Theorem (1.5). Suppose X_0 is of type II and without the elliptic ruled component: i.e. $X_0 = X_1 \cup X_2$, where*

X_i is a rational surface ($i = 1, 2$) and $E = X_1 \cap X_2$ is a smooth elliptic curve. Then

- (i) $E \in |-K_{X_i}|$ ($i = 1, 2$);
- (ii) $N_{E/X_1} \otimes N_{E/X_2} \cong \mathcal{O}_E$;
- (iii) $(E^2)_{X_1} + (E^2)_{X_2} = 0$.

Proof. By the adjunction formula and $\mathcal{O}_X(X_0) = \mathcal{O}_X$, we have $K_{X_1} = [K_X + X_1]|_{X_1} = [X_1]|_{X_1} = -[X_2]|_{X_1}$. Hence $E \in |-K_{X_1}|$. Since $N_{E/X_1} = \mathcal{O}_X(X_2)|_E$ and $N_{E/X_2} = \mathcal{O}_X(X_1)|_E$,

$$N_{E/X_1} \otimes N_{E/X_2} = \mathcal{O}_X(X_1)|_E \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(X_2)|_E = \mathcal{O}_X(X_0)|_E = \mathcal{O}_E.$$

Now the statement (iii) is obvious.

(1.8) **DEFINITION.** A stable K3 surface of type II (resp. a quasi-stable K3 surface of type II) is a surface $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ with normal crossings such that X_i is a smooth rational surface, $E = X_1 \cap X_2$ is a smooth elliptic curve and satisfies the following conditions: (i) $E \in |-K_{X_i}|$ ($i = 1, 2$); (ii) $N_{E/X_1} \otimes N_{E/X_2} \cong \mathcal{O}_E$ (resp. (i) $E \in |-K_{X_i}|$ ($i = 1, 2$); (ii') degree $(N_{E/X_1} \otimes N_{E/X_2}) = 0$).

(1.9) *Remark.* More generally, Friedman ([2], [3]) has defined the D -semi-stable K3 surfaces (cf. [3], (5.5)). We remark here that a quasi-stable K3 surface of type II is D -semi-stable if and only if it satisfies the condition (ii) in (1.8) (i.e. stable).

Every stable K3 surface of type II is obviously quasi-stable. In Sections 2 and 3, we shall treat a quasi-stable K3 surface of type II rather than a stable one. The following result states that every stable K3 surface of type II is nothing but a degenerate fibre of a semi-stable degeneration of K3 surfaces.

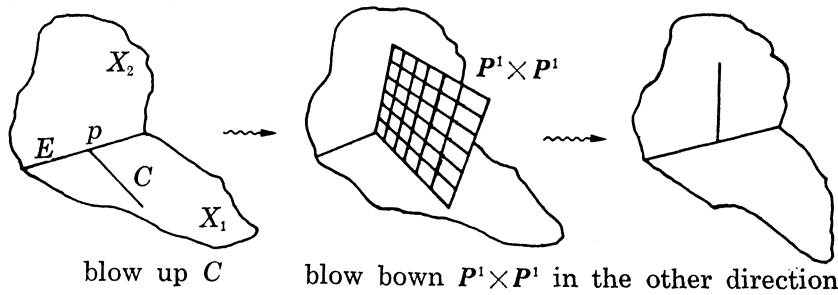
(1.10) **THEOREM** (Friedman [2], [3]). Let X be a stable K3 surface of type II. Then the Kuranishi space of X looks like $V_1 \cup V_2$, here

- (1) V_1, V_2 are smooth and meet transversally;
- (2) $\dim V_1 = \dim H^1(X, \theta_X) = 20$, $\dim V_2 = 20$ and $\dim(V_1 \cap V_2) = 19$, where θ_X is a sheaf of derivations of \mathcal{O}_X ;
- (3) V_1 is a space corresponding to the topologically trivial deformations;
- (4) Let X_t be a surface corresponding to a point $t \in V_1 \cup V_2$. Then

- (i) X_t is a smooth K3 surface if $t \in V_2 - V_1$.
- (ii) X_t is a quasi-stable K3 surface of type II if $t \in V_1$,
- (iii) X_t is a stable K3 surface of type II if and only if $t \in V_1 \cap V_2$.

(1.11) *Remark.* In [2], [3], Friedman has showed the similar results for every D -semi-stable $K3$ surface.

(1.12) *A modification of type I* is a birational modification of a stable $K3$ surface as follows: Let $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ be a stable $K3$ surface of type II, $E = X_1 \cap X_2$ the double curve and C an exceptional curve of the first kind on X_1 . Note that C intersects at exactly one point with E (see (1.13)). By (1.10) we regard X as a central fibre of a semi-stable degeneration of $K3$ surfaces. Then C can be moved to the adjacent component X_2 ;



For quasi-stable $K3$ surfaces, the modification of type I is defined as follows: on X_1 , contracting C to a point, and on X_2 , blowing up at $p = E \cap C$.

We close this section with two lemmas for quasi-stable $K3$ surfaces.

(1.13) **LEMMA.** *Let S be a component of a quasi-stable $K3$ surface of type II and C an irreducible curve on S with $E \neq C$ and $(C^2)_s < 0$. Then C is a smooth rational curve such that either*

- (1) $(C^2)_s = -1, (C, E)_s = 1$, or
- (2) $(C^2)_s = -2, (C, E)_s = 0$,

where $E \in |-K_s|$ is the double curve.

Proof. By $E \in |-K_s|$, the arithmetic genus of C can be computed as follows: $2p_a(C) - 2 = (C^2)_s - (C, E)_s$. The lemma (1.13) can be easily deduced from this formula.

(1.14) **LEMMA.** *Let $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ be a quasi-stable $K3$ surface of type II. Then the possible types for the relatively minimal model of X_i are as follows: (a) P^2 , or (b) $F_n, n = 0, 2$.*

Proof. Let E be the double curve of X . Let \bar{X}_i be a relatively minimal model of X_i ($i = 1, 2$). By the classification of surfaces, \bar{X}_i is either P^2 or $F_n, n \geq 0, n \neq 1$. We note that \bar{X}_i has an anti-canonical divisor

which is a smooth elliptic curve. If $\bar{X}_i \cong F_n$, then $-K_{F_n} = 2s_n + (n + 2)R$, where R is a fibre and s_n is the section with $(s_n^2) = -n$. By the above remark, we have

$$0 \leq (-K_{F_n}, s_n) = -2n + n + 2 = 2 - n, \quad \text{and} \quad n \leq 2.$$

Hence we have proved (1.14).

(1.15) *Remark.* In the following sections, we assume that the self-intersection number $(E^2)_{X_i}$ is equal to zero, $i = 1, 2$ (see (2.4)). In this case, by (1.14), we can choose P^2 as a relatively minimal model of X_i ($i = 1, 2$).

§2. Periods of stable K3 surfaces and Torelli theorem

In this section, we define the period of (quasi-) stable K3 surfaces and we state the Torelli theorem. Our statement may be regarded as a degenerate case of the Torelli theorem for Kaehler K3 surfaces ([1]). In the following, we shall deal with quasi-stable K3 surfaces of type II. For stable K3 surfaces of type II, theorems (2.14), (2.15) are also true with some modifications of the period domain (see Remark (2.9), (ii)). For simplicity, we say a quasi-stable K3 surface for a quasi-stable K3 surface of type II.

(2.1) Let $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ be a quasi-stable K3 surface with the double curve E . The Mayer-Vietoris cohomology exact sequence is as follows:

$$0 \longrightarrow H^1(E; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow H^2(X; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow H^2(X_1; \mathbb{Z}) \oplus H^2(X_2; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow H^2(E; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Put ${}^0W_2(X) := H^2(X; \mathbb{Z})$, ${}^0W_1(X) := H^1(E; \mathbb{Z})$, and we let ${}^0L(X)$ denote the quotient module ${}^0W_2(X)/{}^0W_1(X)$. Then

$${}^0L(X) \cong \text{Ker} \{H^2(X_1; \mathbb{Z}) \oplus H^2(X_2; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow H^2(E; \mathbb{Z})\}.$$

Under this isomorphism, we always regard an element of ${}^0L(X)$ as a class in $H^2(X_1; \mathbb{Z}) \oplus H^2(X_2; \mathbb{Z})$. Let D_i be a divisor on X_i and denote by $[D_i]$ the cohomology class of D_i . If an element $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in {}^0L(X)$ such that α_i is represented by $[D_i]$, we often denote (α_1, α_2) by $[D_1] + [D_2]$. Let E_i be the double curve on X_i ($i = 1, 2$), then $[E_1] - [E_2]$ is contained in ${}^0L(X)$ for $(E^2)_{X_1} + (E^2)_{X_2} = 0$.

A lattice H is a free abelian group of finite rank endowed with a

integral quadratic form. The group $H^2(X_1; \mathbf{Z}) \oplus H^2(X_2; \mathbf{Z})$ admits a canonical structure of a lattice induced from the cup product. Note that ${}^0L(X)$ inherits a lattice structure from that of $H^2(X_1; \mathbf{Z}) \oplus H^2(X_2; \mathbf{Z})$. We denote its bilinear form by \langle , \rangle .

(2.2) *Remark.* ${}^0W_2(X)$, ${}^0W_1(X)$ are the weight filtrations of the mixed Hodge structure on X ([7], p. 960).

In our study, the problem is how to interpret the modifications of type I in the language of cohomology groups. The following lemma will be needed.

(2.3) **LEMMA** ([2]). *Let $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ be a quasi-stable K3 surface with the double curve E and let C be an exceptional curve of the first kind on X_1 . Let $X' = X'_1 \cup X'_2$ be the quasi-stable K3 surface with the double curve E' obtained by the modification of type I along C . We denote this modification by ϕ_C . Then*

$$N_{E'/X'_1} \otimes N_{E'/X'_2} \cong N_{E/X_1} \otimes N_{E/X_2}$$

and ϕ_C induces a lattice isometry

$$\phi_C^*: {}^0L(X') \longrightarrow {}^0L(X).$$

Proof. The first statement follows easily from definition. Let C' be the exceptional curve on X'_2 created by ϕ_C . Denote by

$$\pi_1: X_1 \longrightarrow X'_1 \quad (\text{resp. } \pi_2: X'_2 \longrightarrow X_2)$$

the blowing up at $p' = E' \cap C'$ (resp. $p = E \cap C$). For $([D'_1], [D'_2]) \in {}^0L(X')$ such that $(D'_2, C')_{X'_2} = r$, we define ϕ_C^* by

$$\phi_C^*([D'_1], [D'_2]) = (\pi_1^*([D'_1]) + [rC], [(\pi_2)_*D'_2]).$$

Then we can easily check that $\phi_C^*([D'_1] + [D'_2])$ is contained in ${}^0L(X)$ and ϕ_C^* is isometric. We leave the proof to the reader.

(2.4) **ASSUMPTION.** From now on, we assume that the self-intersection number $(E_i^2)_{X_i}$ is equal to zero ($i = 1, 2$). Since $(E_1^2)_{X_1} + (E_2^2)_{X_2} = 0$, every quasi-stable K3 surface satisfies this assumption, after performing some modifications of type I.

(2.5) **DEFINITION.** We keep the notation of (2.1). Let $\pi_i: X_i \rightarrow \bar{X}_i$ be a relatively minimal model ($i = 1, 2$). Here we choose $\bar{X}_i \cong \mathbf{P}^2$ (see (1.15)). By the assumption (2.4), $\pi_i: X_i \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^2$ is the blowing up of \mathbf{P}^2 at nine points

on a smooth elliptic curve. We denote the distinct exceptional curves of π_i (not necessarily irreducible) which meet E_i by L_i^1, \dots, L_i^g . We suppose that they are indexed in such a way that $L_i^k \subset L_i^{k'}$ implies that $k \geq k'$. Let H_i be the total transform of the line in $\bar{X}_i = P^2$ which passes through $\pi_i(L_i^1)$ and $\pi_i(L_i^2)$ (at least when $\pi_i(L_i^1) \neq \pi_i(L_i^2)$; otherwise take the tangent line of $\pi_i(E_i)$ at $\pi_i(L_i^1) = \pi_i(L_i^2)$). Note that the set $\{[H_i], [L_i^1], \dots, [L_i^g]\}$ is a basis of $H^2(X_i; \mathbf{Z})$ ($i = 1, 2$). Any indexed set of exceptional curves $\{L_i^k\}$ thus obtained will be called an *exceptional-configuration* of X . As L_i^k is the unique effective divisor within its cohomology class $[L_i^k]$, we use the same terminology for the corresponding collection $\{[L_i^k]\}$.

(2.6) A basis of ${}^0L(X)$ is given by $\{[E_1], [E_2], [L_1^g] + [L_2^g], [L_i^k] - [L_i^{k+1}], [H_i] - [L_i^1] - [L_i^2] - [L_i^g]; i = 1, 2, k = 1, \dots, 7\}$. We note that for all quasi-stable $K3$ surfaces, their corresponding lattices ${}^0L(X)$ are isometric each other. Let L (resp. F) be an abstract lattice which is isometric to ${}^0L(X)$ (resp. ${}^0W_1(X)$) for some reference quasi-stable $K3$ surface X with the double curve E and let θ be a vector in L corresponding to $[E_1] - [E_2] \in {}^0L(X)$.

(2.7) DEFINITION. A *marking* of a quasi-stable $K3$ surface X with the double curve E is a lattice isometry

$$\alpha_X: {}^0L(X) \oplus {}^0W_1(X) \longrightarrow L \oplus F$$

such that $\alpha_X({}^0W_1(X)) = F$ and $\alpha_X([E_1] - [E_2]) = \pm \theta$. We call the pair (X, α_X) a *marked* quasi-stable $K3$ surface of type II.

Now we define the periods of quasi-stable $K3$ surfaces. The idea of our definition is due to Y. Namikawa ([11]).

(2.8) Let X be a quasi-stable $K3$ surface with the double curve E . Let ω_X be the dualizing sheaf of X (i.e. let $f: \bar{X} = X_1 \amalg X_2 \rightarrow X$ be the normalization of X , with E_i being the smooth elliptic curve on X_i such that $f(E_i) = E$ ($i = 1, 2$). Then ω_X is the sheaf of 2-forms ω on \bar{X} holomorphic except for simple poles at E_i ($i = 1, 2$) and with $\text{Res}_{E_1}\omega + \text{Res}_{E_2}\omega = 0$). By definition (1.8), there is a nowhere vanishing section ω_X of $H^0(X, \omega_X)$. Consider the exact homology sequence of the pair $(X_i, X_i - E)$: $\dots \rightarrow H_3(X; \mathbf{Z}) \rightarrow H_3(X_i, X_i - E; \mathbf{Z}) \xrightarrow{\partial} H_2(X_i - E; \mathbf{Z}) \rightarrow H_2(X_i; \mathbf{Z}) \rightarrow H_2(X_i, X_i - E; \mathbf{Z}) \rightarrow \dots$. We identify $H_k(X_i, X_i - E; \mathbf{Z})$ with $H^{4-k}(E; \mathbf{Z})$ by the Lefschetz duality. The connecting morphism $\partial: H_1(E; \mathbf{Z}) \rightarrow H_2(X_i - E; \mathbf{Z})$ is then dual to the residue homomorphism; in particular, for a cycle $\gamma \in H_1(E; \mathbf{Z})$ we have

$$\int_{\partial\gamma} \omega_{X_i} = \int_{\gamma} \text{Res}_E \omega_{X_i},$$

where $\omega_{X_i} \in H^0(X_i, \Omega_{X_i}^2(E))$ is a nowhere vanishing section induced from ω_X ($i = 1, 2$). Let $\{\alpha, \beta\}$ be a basis of $H_1(E; \mathbf{Z})$. If necessary, changing α and β , we can normalize ω_X by the condition

$$\int_{\alpha} \text{Res}_E \omega_{X_1} = \tau, \quad \text{Im } \tau > 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\beta} \text{Res}_E \omega_{X_1} = 1.$$

Now we regard ${}^0L(X)$ as a subgroup of $\text{Pic}(X_1) \oplus \text{Pic}(X_2)$ under the canonical isomorphism $H^0(X_i; \mathbf{Z}) \cong \text{Pic}(X_i)$, $i = 1, 2$. Let ι be a group homomorphism from $\text{Pic}(X_1) \oplus \text{Pic}(X_2)$ to $\text{Pic}(E)$ defined as follows: for $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in \text{Pic}(X_1) \oplus \text{Pic}(X_2)$,

$$\iota((\alpha_1, \alpha_2)) = j_1^* \alpha_1 \otimes j_2^* \alpha_2^{-1},$$

where j_i is an inclusion $E \subset X_i$, $i = 1, 2$. Then, by definition, $\iota({}^0L(X)) \subset \text{Pic}^0(E)$ (= the group of divisors of degree zero on E). So we get a group homomorphism $\iota: {}^0L(X) \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(E)$. On the other hand, we define an Abel-Jacobi isomorphism

$$\xi: \text{Pic}^0(E) \longrightarrow J(E) := \mathbf{C}/\{\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}\tau\}$$

by $\xi(\gamma) = \int_{\gamma} \text{Res}_E \omega_{X_1}$ for $\gamma \in \text{Pic}^0(E)$.

We define a group homomorphism $\omega_X: {}^0L(X) \rightarrow J(E)$ by the composite of ι and ξ ; $\omega_X = \xi \circ \iota$. Since $\text{Res}_E \omega_{X_1} + \text{Res}_E \omega_{X_2} = 0$, the above definition is independent of selecting the component X_i of X . Put $L^* := \text{Hom}(L, \mathbf{Z})$. Let H^+ be the upper-half plane and $\mathbf{Z}^{2 \times 19}$ a lattice in $L_{\mathbf{C}}^* := L^* \otimes \mathbf{C}$ which acts on $H^+ \times L_{\mathbf{C}}^*$ as follows: for $(\tau, (z_j)_{1 \leq j \leq 19}) \in H^+ \times L_{\mathbf{C}}^*$ and $(m_j^1, m_j^2)_{1 \leq j \leq 19} \in \mathbf{Z}^{2 \times 19}$,

$$(m_j^1, m_j^2): (\tau, (z_j)_j) \longrightarrow (\tau, (z_j + m_j^1 \cdot \tau + m_j^2)_j).$$

Let $\Omega := \{H^+ \times L_{\mathbf{C}}^*\}/\mathbf{Z}^{2 \times 19}$ denote the quotient space. Let (X, α_X) be a marked quasi-stable K3 surface with the double curve E . Then the period of smooth elliptic curve E determines a point in H^+ as usual; we denote it by $\alpha_X(\tau_X) \in H^+$. As mentioned above ω_X is now considered as a homomorphism from ${}^0L(X)$ to \mathbf{C} modulo $\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}\alpha_X(\tau_X)$. Hence we think of ω_X as a homomorphism from L to \mathbf{C} modulo $\mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Z}\alpha_X(\tau_X)$; we denote it by $\alpha_X(\omega_X)$. In this way each marked quasi-stable K3 surface (X, α_X) determines a point $[(\alpha_X(\tau_X), \alpha_X(\omega_X))] \in \Omega$. We call $[(\alpha_X(\tau_X), \alpha_X(\omega_X))]$ the *period* of (X, α_X)

and Ω the *period domain* for quasi-stable $K3$ surfaces.

(2.9) *Remark.* (i) The homomorphism ω_X coincides with the extension class of mixed Hodge structure on X in the sense of Carlson's (cf. [2]).

(ii) The condition $N_{E/X_1} \otimes N_{E/X_2} \cong \mathcal{O}_E$ implies that $\omega_X([E_1] - [E_2]) \equiv 0$ in $J(E)$. Hence if we take the quotient lattice ${}^0L(X)/\mathbb{Z}([E_1] - [E_2])$ for L , we can construct the period domain for stable $K3$ surfaces.

(iii) We can easily check that the periods of quasi-stable $K3$ surfaces are invariant under the modifications of type I in the following sense: let X be a quasi-stable $K3$ surface with the double curve E and $\phi: X \rightarrow X'$ a modification of type I. We also think of E as the double curve of X' .

Then for any $([C_1], [C_2]) \in {}^0L(X')$,

$$\omega_X(\phi^*([C_1], [C_2])) = \omega_{X'}([C_1], [C_2]) \text{ in } J(E)$$

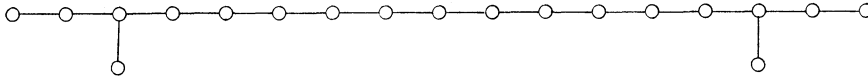
(see (2.3)).

Before stating the Torelli theorem, we need some definitions. In the following, we refer to [1], [8], [9] and [14] for the reflection groups and its geometric applications.

(2.10) We keep the notation of (2.1). Let X be a quasi-stable $K3$ surface with the double curve E . We fix an exceptional configuration $\{L_i^k\}$ of X . Let $L(X)$ denote the quotient module ${}^0L(X)/\mathbb{Z}([E_1] - [E_2])$. Then $L(X)$ has a lattice structure induced from that of ${}^0L(X)$. Moreover, by the expression of (2.6), $L(X)$ is isometric to $H \oplus (-E_8) \oplus (-E_8)$, where H is the lattice of rank 2 with the corresponding matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and E_8 is the lattice of rank 8 with the Cartan matrix of the root system E_8 . For brevity, we also denote the bilinear form of $L(X)$ by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ and denote an element $[D_1] + [D_2] \pmod{([E_1] - [E_2])}$ of $L(X)$ by $[D_1] + [D_2]$.

We let Δ_X denote the set $\{[L_1^9] + [L_2^9], [L_i^k] - [L_i^{k+1}], [H_i] - [L_i] - [L_i^2] - [L_i^3]; i = 1, 2, k = 1, 2, \dots, 8\}$. As mentioned above, we regard Δ_X as a subset $L(X)_R$. Any class $\delta \in \Delta_X$ determines an automorphism s_δ of $L(X)_R$ defined by $s_\delta(x) = x + \langle x, \delta \rangle \delta$ for $x \in L(X)_R$. Note that s_δ is a reflection for the hyperplane orthogonal to δ . Since the signature of $L(X)$ is $(1, 17)$, the set $\{x \in L(X)_R; \langle x, x \rangle > 0\}$ has two connected components; write $P_X^+ \cup P_X^- = \{x \in L(X)_R; \langle x, x \rangle > 0\}$. Here P_X^+ is the component which contains an element (κ_1, κ_2) , where κ_i is the cohomology class of the 2-form corresponding to a Kaehler metric on X_i ($i = 1, 2$) and satisfies the condition $\langle \kappa_1, [E_1] \rangle = \langle \kappa_2, [E_2] \rangle$. The following result is known.

(2.11) PROPOSITION (cf. [14]). Let W_x be the reflection group generated by Δ_x and C_x denote the set $\{x \in P_x^+; \langle x, \delta \rangle > 0 \text{ for all } \delta \in \Delta_x\}$. Then W_x acts on P_x^+ and the closure of C_x in P_x^+ is a fundamental domain for this action. Moreover, the Coxeter diagram of W_x is as follows:



(2.12) PROPOSITION. Let R_x denote the set $W_x \cdot \Delta_x$. Then R_x agrees with the set of all elements $\alpha \in L(X)$ with $\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle = -2$.

Proof. Let Γ be the subgroup of the group of isometries of $L(X)$ generated by the reflections $\{s_\delta; \delta \in L(X), \langle \delta, \delta \rangle = -2\}$. Then $\{s_\delta; \delta \in \Delta_x\}$ is a generator of Γ (see [14], §3). Hence we have $W_x = \Gamma$. Let α be an element of $L(X)$ with $\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle = -2$ and let denote H_α the hyperplane $\{x \in L(X)_R; \langle x, \alpha \rangle = 0\}$. By (2.11), we can choose $w \in W_x$ such that $w(H_\delta) = H_\alpha$ for some $\delta \in \Delta_x$. Since $H_{w(\delta)} = w(H_\delta)$, we have $H_\alpha = H_{w(\delta)}$. So $\alpha = r \cdot w(\delta)$ for some $r \in R$. It then follows that $\alpha = \pm w(\delta)$.

(2.13) We call C_x in (2.11) the *fundamental chamber* of X endowed with the exceptional configuration $\{L_i^k\}$. The convex polyhedron C_x defines the partition $R_x = R_x^+ \sqcup R_x^-$, where $R_x^+ = \{\delta \in R_x; \langle \delta, x \rangle > 0 \text{ for all } x \in C_x\}$. This partition has the property that

$$(*) \text{ If } \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in R_x^+, \text{ and } \alpha = \sum_{i=1}^n r_i \alpha_i \in R_x \\ (r_i > 0 \text{ integers}), \text{ then } \alpha \in R_x^+ \text{ (e.g. [1], p. 241).}$$

An element $\alpha \in R_x$ is called *nodal* if either α is represented by a smooth rational curve with self-intersection number -2 or there is a sequence $\{X \xrightarrow{\phi_1} X_1 \xrightarrow{\dots} \dots \xrightarrow{\phi_r} X_r\}$ of modifications of type I such that α is represented by $\phi_1^* \circ \dots \circ \phi_r^*([C])$ (see (2.3)), where C is a smooth rational curve on X_r with self-intersection -2 . We denote the set of all nodal classes by Δ_x^n . Let W_x^n be the reflection group generated by Δ_x^n and put $R_x^n := W_x^n \cdot \Delta_x^n$. Note that if $\alpha \in R_x^n \cap \Delta_x$, then α is of one of the following types; (a) $\alpha = [L_1] + [L_2]$, where L_i is an exceptional curve of the first kind on X_i ($i = 1, 2$), (b) $\alpha = [C_1] + \dots + [C_k]$ ($k \geq 1$), where C_i is a smooth rational curve with self-intersection -2 and $(C_i, C_{i+1}) = 1, (C_i, C_j) = 0$ for $i \neq j \pm 1$. Moreover, in Section 3, we shall characterize R_x^n as follows (see 3.4): $R_x^n = \{\alpha \in R_x; \omega_x(\alpha) = 0 \text{ in } J(E)\}$. Let C_x^n be the set $\{x \in P_x^+; \langle x, \delta \rangle > 0 \text{ for all } \delta \in \Delta_x^n\}$. Then Proposition (2.11) holds for the action of W_x^n on P_x^+

and a fundamental domain C_X^n . We remark that C_X^n is independent of the choice of an exceptional configuration of X . We call C_X^n the *nodal chamber* of X . Now we formulate our main results.

(2.14) **THEOREM.** *Let $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ and $X' = X'_1 \cup X'_2$ be two quasi-stable K3 surfaces of type II with the double curves E, E' , respectively. Let $\phi^*: {}^0L(X') \oplus {}^0W_1(X') \rightarrow {}^0L(X) \oplus {}^0W_1(X)$ be an isometry such that (i) $\phi^*({}^0W_1(X')) = {}^0W_1(X)$, (ii) $\phi^*([E'_1] - [E'_2]) = \pm([E_1] - [E_2])$ (By (ii), ϕ^* induces an isometry from $L(X')$ to $L(X)$. For simplicity, we also denote it by ϕ^*), (iii) $\phi^*(P_{X'}^+) = P_X^+$ and $\phi^*(C_{X'}^n) = C_X^n$, (iv) ϕ^* sends $H^{1,0}(E', \mathbb{C})$ to $H^{1,0}(E, \mathbb{C})$ and $\omega_X(\phi^*((\alpha_1, \alpha_2))) = J(\phi^*)(\omega_{X'}((\alpha_1, \alpha_2)))$ (in $J(E)$) for $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in {}^0L(X')$, where $J(\phi^*)$ is the isomorphism of Jacobian varieties induced from $\phi^*: H^{1,0}(E') \rightarrow H^{1,0}(E)$. Then there is a sequence*

$$\{X \xrightarrow{\phi_1} X_1 \xrightarrow{\phi_2} \dots \xrightarrow{\phi_{r-1}} X_{r-1} \xrightarrow{\phi_r} X_r\}$$

of modifications of type I and an isomorphism $\psi: X_r \rightarrow X'$ such that the associated isometry

$$\phi_1^* \circ \dots \circ \phi_r^* \circ \psi^*: {}^0L(X') \oplus {}^0W_1(X') \longrightarrow {}^0L(X) \oplus {}^0W_1(X)$$

agrees with ϕ^* .

(2.15) **THEOREM.** *For every point $[(\tau, \omega)] \in \Omega$, there is a marked quasi-stable K3 surface of type II with the period $[(\tau, \omega)]$.*

Proofs of (2.14), (2.15) will be given in Section 3.

(2.16) *Remark.* Let D be the period domain for smooth K3 surfaces. Let us recall that there is an étale covering $\tilde{D} \rightarrow D$ such that \tilde{D} is a relevant moduli space for marked Kaehler K3 surfaces ([1], p. 239, or [10], Theorem (10.5)).

In our case, the corresponding situation is as follows: We let N denote the lattice $H \oplus (-E_8) \oplus (-E_8)$. As remarked in (2.9), (ii), we can construct the period domain $\Omega_0 := \{H^+ \times N_c\}/\mathbb{Z}^{2 \times 18}$ for stable K3 surfaces by the same way for Ω . Here we select the lattice $\mathbb{Z}^{2 \times 18} \subset N_c$ which contains N . Let W be the reflection group generated by $\Delta := \{\delta \in N; \langle \delta, \delta \rangle = -2\}$ and consider the space Ω'_0 consisting of pairs $[(\tau, \omega), \kappa] \in \Omega_0 \times N_R$ satisfying $\langle \kappa, \kappa \rangle > 0$. Naturally W acts on Ω'_0 : for $\delta \in \Delta$,

$$s_\delta: [(\tau, \omega), \kappa] \longrightarrow [(\tau, s_\delta(\omega)), s_\delta(\kappa)].$$

Let $\Omega''_0 \subset \Omega'_0$ denote the complement of the set of fixed points of reflections.

We define an equivalence relation \sim on Ω'_0 by letting $([(\tau, \omega)], \kappa) \sim ([(\tau', \omega')], \kappa')$ if and only if $[(\tau, \omega)] = [(\tau', \omega')]$ and κ and κ' belong to the same connected component of $\Omega'_0 \cap ([(\tau, \omega)] \times N_R)$. Let $\tilde{\Omega}_0 := \tilde{\Omega}'_0 / \sim$ denote the quotient space. It is provided with a canonical projection

$$\pi: \tilde{\Omega}_0 \longrightarrow \Omega_0 .$$

Then $\tilde{\Omega}_0$ receives the structure of analytic space, étale over Ω_0 ([10], Lemma (10.4)).

Let M be the set of isomorphism classes of marked stable K3 surfaces (with isomorphisms defined in the obvious manner). Then we associate a map $p: M \rightarrow \tilde{\Omega}_0$ which assigns to the isomorphism class of marked stable K3 surface (X, α_X) the equivalence class of $((\alpha_X(\tau_X), \alpha_X(\omega_X)))$, the nodal chamber of X . Here we use the following fact which will be proved in Section 3, Proposition (3.4); If $\delta \in R_X$, then $\delta \in R_X^n$ if and only if $\omega_X(\delta) \equiv 0$ in $J(E)$.

In this situation we reformulate theorems (2.14), (2.15) as follows:

(i) The map $p: M \rightarrow \tilde{\Omega}_0$ is surjective.

(ii) Let (X, α_X) and $(X', \alpha_{X'})$ be two marked stable K3 surfaces whose images by the map p are contained in the same fibre of π , then there is a bimeromorphic map $X \rightarrow X'$ which is a composite of modifications of type I.

§3. Proofs of (2.14), (2.15)

Let $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ be a quasi-stable K3 surface and E the double curve. We fix an exceptional configuration $\{L_i^k\}$ of X . First we shall prove the following two lemmas. We keep the notation in Section 2.

(3.1) LEMMA. *If $\alpha \in \Delta_X - R_X^n$, then either $\{s_\alpha([L_i^k])\}$ is an exceptional configuration of X or there is a composition $\{\phi := \phi_1 \circ \phi_2: X' \xrightarrow{\phi_2} X'' \xrightarrow{\phi_1} X\}$ of modifications of type I such that $\{\phi^* \circ s_\alpha([L_i^k])\}$ is an exceptional configuration of X' . (We remark here that every reflection $s_\alpha, \alpha \in \Delta_X$, is defined on $H^2(X_1; \mathbf{R}) \oplus H^2(X_2; \mathbf{R})$, and the expression $s_\alpha([L_i^k])$ is in this meaning.)*

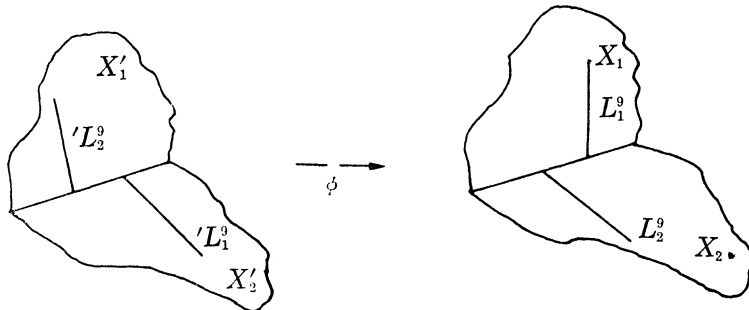
(3.2) LEMMA. *If $w \in W_X$ is such that $w(C_X) \subset C_X^n$, then either $\{w([L_i^k])\}$ is also an exceptional configuration of X or there is a composition $\{X_r \xrightarrow{\phi_r} X_{r-1} \xrightarrow{\phi_{r-1}} \dots \xrightarrow{\phi_1} X_1 \xrightarrow{\phi_1} X\}$ of modifications of type I such that $\{\phi_r^* \circ \dots \circ \phi_1^* \circ w([L_i^k])\}$ is an exceptional configuration of X_r .*

(3.3) Remark. Looijenga [9] has deeply studied rational surfaces with

anti-canonical cycle. Our process in the above lemmas is similar to his method, but in our case modifications of type I occur, which make the argument more complicated (see [9], § 4).

Proof of (3.1) (see [9], § 3). Let α be an element of Δ_X . If $\alpha = [L_i^{k-1}] - [L_i^k]$, then $\alpha \notin R_X^n$ if and only if L_i^k is not contained in L_i^{k-1} , hence L_i^k and L_i^{k-1} are disjoint (see (2.13)). Since s_α interchanges L_i^{k-1} and L_i^k and leaves all other L_i^k fixed, everything is obvious in this case. Next if $\alpha = [H_i] - [L_i^1] - [L_i^2] - [L_i^3]$, then the condition that $\alpha \notin R_X^n$ implies that $\pi_i(L_i^1), \pi_i(L_i^2), \pi_i(L_i^3)$ are not collinear. (Here $\pi_i: X_i \rightarrow \bar{X}_i$ is a relatively minimal model of X_i (see (2.5)).) Suppose that $\pi_i(H_i)$ is not a tangent line of E . Then $\pi_i(L_i^1), \pi_i(L_i^2)$ and $\pi_i(L_i^3)$ are distinct. Moreover, by the assumption of the indices of the exceptional configuration, each L_i^k is a maximal exceptional curve in the sense that $L_i^k = \pi_i^{-1} \circ \pi_i(L_i^k)$. Now $s_\alpha([L_i^1]) = [H_i] - [L_i^2] - [L_i^3]$ is represented by the total transform of the line $\bar{X}_i = P^2$ which passes through $\pi_i(L_i^2)$ and $\pi_i(L_i^3)$ minus $L_i^2 + L_i^3$. If we denote this representative $'L_i^1$ (and $'L_i^2, \text{ resp. } 'L_i^3$, the corresponding representatives of $s_\alpha([L_i^2]), \text{ resp. } s_\alpha([L_i^3])$), then it is clear that $'L_i^1, 'L_i^2, 'L_i^3$ are disjoint and that any L_i^μ ($\mu > 3$) which meets $'L_i^k$ ($1 \leq k \leq 3$) is actually contained in $'L_i^k$. So $\{s_\alpha([L_i^k])\}$ is an exceptional configuration of X . The proof for the case that $\pi_i(H_i)$ is a tangent line is similar.

Last of all, if $\alpha = [L_1^9] + [L_2^9]$, the condition that $\alpha \notin R_X^n$ just means that the points $L_1^9 \cap E$ and $L_2^9 \cap E$ are distinct. Note that $s_\alpha([L_1^9] + [L_2^9]) = -[L_1^9] - [L_2^9]$, $s_\alpha([L_1^8] - [L_1^9]) = [L_1^8] + [L_2^9]$, $s_\alpha([L_2^8] - [L_2^9]) = [L_2^8] + [L_1^9]$ and $s_\alpha([L_i^k]) = [L_i^k]$ for $i = 1, 2, 1 \leq k \leq 8$. Let $\phi: X' \rightarrow X$ be the birational map obtained by the modifications of type I along the exceptional curves of the first kind L_1^9, L_2^9 (by the assumption of indices of $\{L_i^k\}$, L_1^9 and L_2^9 are first kind). Let $'L_1^9$ (resp. $'L_2^9$) be the exceptional curve on X' obtained by blowing up the point $L_1^9 \cap E$ (resp. $L_2^9 \cap E$).



Put $[L_i^k] = \phi^*([L_i^k])$, $i = 1, 2, 1 \leq k \leq 8$. Then we have that $\phi^*(-[L_1^9] - [L_2^9]) = [L_1^8] + [L_2^8]$, $\phi^*([L_1^8] + [L_2^8]) = [L_1^9] - [L_2^9]$ and $\phi^*([L_2^8] + [L_1^9]) = [L_2^9] - [L_1^8]$. Now it is easily check that $\{[L_i^k]\}$ is an exceptional configuration. We leave the proof to the reader.

Proof of Lemma (3.2) (see [9], (3.5), (4.2)). First we claim that C_X^n contains C_X . For this purpose, it is sufficient to prove that Δ_X^n is contained in R_X^+ (see (2.13)). Let $\delta = [D] (\in \Delta_X^n)$ be a nodal class. If D has a component which is not contained in L_i^k , then obviously $\langle \delta, [H_1] + [H_2] \rangle > 0$. Since $[H_1] + [H_2] \in \bar{C}_X$, δ is contained in R_X^+ . Now we assume that δ is represented by a divisor D whose each irreducible component is contained in some L_i^k . Since D is connected (by definition), D is one of the following two types: (i) D is a smooth rational curve with self-intersection -2 , (ii) $D = C_1 + C_2$, where C_i is an exceptional curve of the first kind on X_i ($i = 1, 2$) with $C_1 \cap E = C_2 \cap E$. If D is a smooth rational curve with self-intersection -2 , then D is represented by $L_i^k - L_i^{k'}$ ($1 \leq k < k' \leq 9$). Hence $[D]$ is a positive linear combination of elements of Δ_X :

$$[D] = ([L_i^k] - [L_i^{k+1}]) + \dots + ([L_i^{k'-1}] - [L_i^{k'}]) .$$

By (2.13), (*), $[D]$ is contained in R_X^+ .

Next, if $D = C_1 + C_2$, where C_i is an exceptional curve of the first kind on X_i ($i = 1, 2$) with $C_1 \cap E = C_2 \cap E$, then $[C_1] + [C_2]$ is a positive linear combination of elements of Δ_X :

$$[C_1] + [C_2] = ([L_1^j] - [L_1^{j+1}]) + \dots + ([L_1^9] - [L_1^9]) + ([L_2^9] + [L_2^9]) + ([L_2^8] - [L_2^9]) + \dots + ([L_2^k] - [L_2^{k+1}]) .$$

So in this case $[C_1] + [C_2] \in R_X^+$, too. Hence C_X is contained in C_X^n . Note that there are no hyperplane separating C_X from $w(C_X)$ which is orthogonal to some $\alpha \in \Delta_X^n$.

Now we prove (3.2). We pick a point $x_0 \in w(C_X)$ and denote the set $\{\alpha \in R_X^+; \langle \alpha, x_0 \rangle < 0\}$ by Φ_{x_0} . Then Φ_{x_0} corresponds to the set of hyperplanes orthogonal to $\alpha \in R_X$ which separate C_X and $w(C_X)$. By [15] Lemma 9 (in § 3), Φ_{x_0} is a finite set. Hence we can index the elements of Φ_{x_0} as follows: $\Phi_{x_0} = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k\}$ (with $k = \text{card } \Phi_{x_0}$) such that the set

$$\{C_i = s_{\alpha_i} \circ \dots \circ s_{\alpha_1}(C_X); i = 1, \dots, k\}$$

is a chain of the fundamental chambers from C_X to $w(C_X)$; more precisely the intersection of C_{i-1} and $C_i = s_{\alpha_i}(C_{i-1})$ is a non-empty open set in the hyperplane $H_{\alpha_i} = \{x \in L(X)_R; \langle x, \alpha_i \rangle = 0\}$. Note that α_1 is contained in

Δ_X . Since C_X is contained in C_X^n , the condition that $\alpha_i \in R_X^+$ implies that $\alpha_i \notin R_X^n$ ($i = 1, \dots, k$). With induction on i , Lemma (3.2) now follows easily from (3.1).

Proof of Theorem (2.14). Let $\{L_i^k\}$ (resp. $\{L_i^k\}$) be an exceptional configuration of X (resp. X'). Let C_X (resp. $C_{X'}$) be the fundamental chamber of X (resp. X') endowed with the exceptional configuration $\{L_i^k\}$ (resp. $\{L_i^k\}$). By the assumptions in (2.14), we have that $\phi^*(P_{X'}^+) = P_X^+$, $\phi^*(C_{X'}^n) = C_X^n$. On the other hand, by (2.12), we have $\phi^*(R_{X'}) = R_X$. Hence both C_X and $\phi^*(C_{X'})$ are fundamental domains for the action of W_X on P_X^+ (see (2.11)). In particular, $w(C_X) = \phi^*(C_{X'})$ for some $w \in W_X$. It then follows that $w(\Delta_X) = \phi^*(\Delta_{X'})$. Hence, if necessary, changing the indices of X_1 and X_2 (or equivalently, replacing ϕ^* by $\iota \circ \phi^*$, where ι is the symmetry of the Coxeter diagram of W_X (see (2.11)), we can assume that

$$\begin{aligned} w([L_i^k] - [L_i^{k+1}]) &= \phi^*([L_i^k] - [L_i^{k+1}]), \\ w([L_1^9] + [L_2^9]) &= \phi^*([L_1^9] + [L_2^9]) \quad \text{and} \\ w([H_i] - [L_i^1] - [L_i^2] - [L_i^3]) &= \phi^*([H_i] - [L_i^1] - [L_i^2] - [L_i^3]), \\ i &= 1, 2, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, 8. \end{aligned}$$

Since $w(C_X)$ is contained in $\phi^*(C_{X'}^n) = C_X^n$, by applying Lemma (3.2), we get a sequence $\{X_r \xrightarrow{\phi_r} X_{r-1} \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow X_1 \xrightarrow{\phi_1} X_0 = X\}$ of modifications of type I such that $\{\phi_r^* \circ \dots \circ \phi_1^* \circ w([L_i^k])\}$ is an exceptional configuration of $X_r = X_{1,r} \cup X_{2,r}$. We denote $\phi_r^* \circ \dots \circ \phi_1^* \circ \phi^*$ by ψ^* and $\{\phi_r^* \circ \dots \circ \phi_1^* \circ w([L_i^k])\}$ by $\{[L_{i,r}^k]\}$. Let $\pi_{i,r}: X_{i,r} \rightarrow \bar{X}_{i,r}$ be a relatively minimal model and let E_r be the double curve of X_r . Then we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi^*([L_i^k] - [L_i^{k+1}]) &= [L_{i,r}^k] - [L_{i,r}^{k+1}], \\ \psi^*([L_1^9] + [L_2^9]) &= [L_{1,r}^9] + [L_{2,r}^9] \quad \text{and} \\ \psi^*([H_i] - [L_i^1] - [L_i^2] - [L_i^3]) &= [H_{i,r}] - [L_{i,r}^1] - [L_{i,r}^2] - [L_{i,r}^3] \\ (i &= 1, 2, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, 8), \end{aligned}$$

where $H_{i,r}$ is the total transform of the line in $\bar{X}_{i,r} = P^2$ which passes through $\pi_{i,r}(L_{i,r}^1)$ and $\pi_{i,r}(L_{i,r}^2)$ (at least when $\pi_{i,r}(L_{i,r}^1) \neq \pi_{i,r}(L_{i,r}^2)$; otherwise take the tangent line of $\pi_{i,r}(E_r)$ at $\pi_{i,r}(L_{i,r}^1) = \pi_{i,r}(L_{i,r}^2)$). Let u_i^k (resp. $'u_i^k$) be the point $E_r \cap L_{i,r}^k$ (resp. $E' \cap L_i^k$). Then by the equations $\psi^*([L_i^k] - [L_i^{k+1}]) = [L_{i,r}^k] - [L_{i,r}^{k+1}]$ and the assumption (iv) in (2.14), there is an isomorphism

$$\psi_0: E_r \longrightarrow E'$$

such that $\psi_0(u_1^k) = 'u_1^k$ ($k = 1, \dots, 9$). Moreover, from $\psi^*([L_1^9] + [L_2^9]) = [L_{1,r}^9] + [L_{2,r}^9]$, we obtained

$$\psi_0(u_1^9) - \psi_0(u_2^9) = 'u_1^9 - 'u_2^9$$

(Here we consider E_r (resp. E') a group with the identity element u_1^1 (resp. $'u_1^1$). So we get $\psi_0(u_2^9) = 'u_2^9$. By the equations $\psi^*([L_2^k] - [L_2^{k+1}]) = [L_{2,r}^k] - [L_{2,r}^{k+1}]$, we conclude that $\psi_0(u_i^k) = 'u_i^k$ ($i = 1, 2, k = 1, 2, \dots, 9$).

Let u_i (resp. $'u_i$) denote the third point at which $H_{i,r}$ intersects E_r (resp. $'H_i$ intersects E'). Then the linear system $|u_i + u_i^1 + u_i^2|$ (resp. $|'u_i + 'u_i^1 + 'u_i^2|$) gives an embedding $E_r \rightarrow P^2 = \bar{X}_{i,r}$ (resp. $E' \rightarrow P^2 = \bar{X}'_i$), $i = 1, 2$. By the above equation w.r.t. ψ^* , it follows that

$$\psi_0^* |'u_i + 'u_i^1 + 'u_i^2| = |u_i + u_i^1 + u_i^2| \quad (i = 1, 2).$$

Hence ψ_0 can extend to an isomorphism $\bar{\psi}_i: \bar{X}_{i,r} \rightarrow \bar{X}'_i$ ($i = 1, 2$). Obviously $\bar{\psi}_i$ induces an isomorphism $\psi_i: X_{i,r} \rightarrow X'_i$ ($i = 1, 2$). Moreover $\psi := \psi_1 \cup \psi_2: X_{1,r} \cup X_{2,r} \rightarrow X'_1 \cup X'_2$ is an isomorphism and by construction, $\psi^* = \phi_1^* \circ \dots \circ \phi_1^* \circ \phi_2^*$ agrees with an isomorphism induced from ψ .

Proof of Theorem (2.15). Let $[(\tau, \omega)] \in \Omega$ be given. Let E be a smooth elliptic curve with the period $\{1, \tau\}$ and ω_E a holomorphic 1-form on E such that

$$\int_\alpha \omega_E = \tau, \quad \int_\beta \omega_E = 1$$

for a suitable basis $\{\alpha, \beta\}$ of $H_1(E; Z)$. We regard a basis of L as a coordinate system of L_C and write

$$\omega = [(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{19})] \in L_C^*/Z^{2 \times 19},$$

where $(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{19}) \in L_C^*$. Now we consider the following equations in the points $z_{\mu,j}$, $\mu = 1, 2, j = 0, 1, \dots, 9$, on E : modulo $Z + Z\tau$,

- (i) $\sum_{j=1}^9 \int_{z_{1,j}}^{z_{1,0}} \omega_E \equiv t_1, \quad \sum_{j=1}^9 \int_{z_{2,0}}^{z_{2,j}} \omega_E \equiv t_2$
- (ii) $\int_{z_{2,9}}^{z_{1,9}} \omega_E \equiv t_3$
- (iii) $\sum_{j=1}^3 \int_{z_{1,i}}^{z_{1,0}} \omega_E \equiv t_4, \quad \int_{z_{1,i+1}}^{z_{1,i}} \omega_E \equiv t_{i+4} \quad (i = 1, \dots, 7)$
- (iv) $\sum_{j=1}^3 \int_{z_{2,0}}^{z_{2,j}} \omega_E \equiv t_{12}, \quad \int_{z_{2,i}}^{z_{2,i+1}} \omega_E \equiv t_{i+12} \quad (i = 1, \dots, 7).$

These equations correspond to the expression (2.6) of the basis of 0L . By Jacobi's inversion theorem, we can solve these equations as follows:

First we take a point $z_{1,0} = p_0 \in E$, arbitrarily. Applying Jacobi theorem on the equation (iii), we can find $p_1, \dots, p_8 \in E$ such that $\{z_{1,i} = p_i; i = 1, \dots, 8\}$ satisfies the equation (iii). Next from the equation (i), we can find a point $p_9 \in E$ such that $\{z_{1,i} = p_i; i = 1, \dots, 8, 9\}$ satisfies the first of the equation (i). Similarly from the equation (ii), there is a point $q_9 \in E$ such that

$$\int_{q_9}^{p_9} \omega_E \equiv t_3 \pmod{Z + Z\tau}.$$

Moreover, by the relations

$$\begin{aligned} & (z_{1,1} + \dots + z_{1,9}) - (z_{2,1} + \dots + z_{2,9}) \\ &= 9(z_{1,9} - z_{2,9}) + \sum_{i=1}^8 i(z_{1,i} - z_{1,i+1}) + \sum_{i=1}^8 i(z_{2,i-1} - z_{2,i}) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & 9z_{1,0} - z_{1,1} - \dots - z_{1,9} \\ &= 3(3z_{1,0} - z_{1,1} - z_{1,2} - z_{1,3}) + 2(z_{1,1} - z_{1,2}) + 4(z_{1,2} - z_{1,3}) \\ & \quad + \sum_{k=1}^6 (7 - k)(z_{1,k+2} - z_{1,k+3}), \end{aligned}$$

we can write that

$$\int_{z_{2,0}}^{z_{1,0}} \omega_E \equiv \text{a linear combination of } \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{19}\}.$$

Again, applying Jacobi theorem on this equation and the equation (iv), we can find $q_0, q_1, \dots, q_8 \in E$ such that $\{z_{2,j} = q_j; 0 \leq j \leq 9\}$ is a solution of the equation (iv) and the second of the equation (i). Consequently we obtain the solution $\{z_{1,i} = p_i, z_{2,j} = q_j; 0 \leq i, j \leq 9\}$ of the equations (i)–(iv).

Let \bar{X}_i be a copy of P^2 ($i = 1, 2$). Now we consider the embeddings $|\mathfrak{3}p_0|: E \rightarrow \bar{X}_1 = P^2, |\mathfrak{3}q_0|: E \rightarrow \bar{X}_2 = P^2$. Let X_1 (resp. X_2) be the surface obtained from \bar{X}_1 (resp. \bar{X}_2) by taking successive blowing ups at p_1, \dots, p_9 (resp. q_1, \dots, q_9). Let E_1 (resp. E_2) be the proper transform of E by the above blowing ups. We denote the induced isomorphism from E_1 to E_2 by ϕ . Then the surface X obtained from X_1 and X_2 by patching through E_1 and E_2 under the isomorphism ϕ is the required one.

Lastly we prove the following proposition which has been used in the reformulation of theorems (2.14), (2.15) (see (2.16)).

For $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_X$, we can define $\omega_X(\alpha)$ by regarding α as an element in ${}^0L(X)$. We can also define $\omega_X(\alpha)$ for $\alpha \in R_X$, since α is represented by an element of $Z \cdot \mathcal{A}_X$.

(3.4) PROPOSITION. *If $\alpha \in R_x$, then $\alpha \in R_x^n$ if and only if $\omega_x(\alpha) = 0$ in $J(E)$.*

Proof. Let $\delta(\in \Delta_x^n)$ be a nodal class. Then, by definition and (2.9), (iii), $\omega_x(\delta) = 0$ in $J(E)$. If $\alpha \in R_x^n$, then $\alpha \equiv 0 \pmod{\mathbf{Z} \cdot \Delta_x^n}$ and so $\omega_x(\alpha) = 0$ in $J(E)$. Conversely, if $\alpha \in R_x$ such that $\omega_x(\alpha) = 0$ in $J(E)$, then $\alpha = w(\beta)$ for some $\beta \in \Delta_x$, $w \in W_x$. Write $w = w'' \circ w'$ with $w'(C_x) \subset C_x^n$ and $w'' \in W_x^n$. According to (3.2), there is a sequence

$$\{X_r \xrightarrow{\phi_r} X_{r-1} \longrightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{\phi_1} X_0 = X\}$$

of modifications of type I such that $\phi_r^* \circ \dots \circ \phi_1^* \circ w'(\beta) = [L] + \xi[L']$ for some exceptional curves L, L' on X_r ($r \geq 0$), where $\xi = -1$ (resp. $\xi = 1$) if and only if L and L' lie on the same component of X_r (resp. on the distinct component). Let E_r be the double curve of X_r . Since $w'' \circ w'(\beta) \equiv w'(\beta) \pmod{\mathbf{Z} \cdot \Delta_x^n}$, $\omega_x(w'(\beta)) = \omega_x(w'' \circ w'(\beta)) = \omega_x(\alpha) = 0$ in $J(E)$. Hence, by (2.9), (iii), $\omega_x([L] + \xi[L']) = 0$ in $J(E_r)$. This implies $L \cap E_r = L' \cap E_r$ by Abele's theorem. It follows that either L contains L' or L does not lie on the component of X_r on which L' lies. Hence $[L] + \xi[L'] \in R_{X_r}^n$. By definition, each ϕ_i preserves the nodal classes and so $w'(\beta) \in R_x^n$. Consequently $\alpha = w'' \circ w'(\beta) \in R_x^n$.

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