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# REALIZATION OF HYPERELLIPTIC FAMILIES WITH THE HYPERELLIPTIC SEMISTABLE MONODROMIES

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## Abstract

Let  $\Phi$  be an element of the mapping class group  $\mathcal{M}_g$  of genus  $g$  ( $\geq 2$ ) such that  $\Phi$  is the isotopy class of a pseudo periodic map of negative twists. It is expected that, for each  $\Phi$  which commutes with a hyperelliptic involution, there exists a hyperelliptic family whose monodromy is the conjugacy class of  $\Phi$  in the mapping class group. In this paper, we give a partial solution for the conjecture in the case where  $\Phi$  is a semistable element.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $\phi: S \rightarrow \Delta$  be a proper surjective holomorphic map from a nonsingular complex surface  $S$  to a small disk  $\Delta := \{t \in \mathbf{C} \mid |t| < \varepsilon\}$  such that  $\phi^{-1}(t)$  is a nonsingular curve of genus  $g \geq 2$  for each  $t \in \Delta^* := \Delta \setminus \{0\}$ . We call  $(\phi, S, \Delta)$  a *degeneration of curves or a family of curves* of genus  $g$ . If all  $\phi^{-1}(t)$  ( $t \in \Delta^*$ ) are hyperelliptic curves, we call  $(\phi, S, \Delta)$  a *hyperelliptic family*. We call  $\phi^{-1}(0)$  the *special fiber* of  $S$ . Two degenerations  $(\phi, S, \Delta)$  and  $(\phi', S', \Delta')$  are said to be *topologically equivalent* if there exist orientation preserving homeomorphisms  $\psi: S \rightarrow S'$  and  $\overline{\psi}: \Delta \rightarrow \Delta'$  which satisfy  $\phi' \circ \psi = \overline{\psi} \circ \phi$ . For a topological equivalence class of a degeneration, we can uniquely determine the topological monodromy (called the monodromy, for short) as the conjugacy class of the isotopy class of a pseudo periodic map of negative twists in the mapping class group  $\mathcal{M}_g$  (cf. [3]).

Let  $\Sigma_g$  be a compact real surface of genus  $g$  without boundary. It is well-known fact that  $\mathcal{M}_g$  is generated by Dehn twists at simple closed curves on  $\Sigma_g$  (cf. [2]). We denote by  $D_{C_i}^{n_i}$  the  $n_i$ -times right hand Dehn twists at a simple closed curve  $C_i$  on  $\Sigma_g$ . An involution  $I$  of  $\Sigma_g$  is called a *hyperelliptic involution* if it has  $2g + 2$  fixed points. We call  $\Phi$  a *hyperelliptic element with  $I$*  if there exists a homeomorphism  $\tilde{\Phi}$  whose isotopy class is  $\Phi$  satisfying  $I \circ \tilde{\Phi} = \tilde{\Phi} \circ I$  as map. We denote by  $[\Phi]$  the conjugacy class of  $\Phi$  in  $\mathcal{M}_g$ . An element  $\Phi$  of  $\mathcal{M}_g$  is called *semistable* if there exists a disjoint union of simple closed curves  $\mathcal{C} := \{C_i\}_{i=1,2,\dots,r}$  and positive integers  $\{n_i\}_{i=1,2,\dots,r}$  satisfying  $\Phi = D_{C_1}^{n_1} \cdots D_{C_r}^{n_r}$ . We call  $\mathcal{C}$  an *admissible system* of  $\Phi$  if any two simple closed curves are not homotopic to each other.

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Let  $\Phi$  be the isotopy class of a pseudo-periodic map of negative twists. It is expected that if  $\Phi$  is a hyperelliptic element, there exists a hyperelliptic family of curves of genus  $g$  with monodromy  $[\Phi]$ . In this paper, we give a partial solution for the conjecture in the case where  $\Phi$  is a semistable element. Thus, our main theorem is the following;

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $\Phi$  be a hyperelliptic semistable element. Then, there exists a hyperelliptic family with monodromy  $[\Phi]$ .*

To prove Theorem 1.1, for each  $\Phi$ , we construct a hyperelliptic family using a double covering of  $\mathbf{P}^1 \times \Delta$ . Thus, for each hyperelliptic semistable element  $\Phi$ , we give not only the proof of the existence but also an algorithm to construct a hyperelliptic family with monodromy  $[\Phi]$ .

## 2. Hyperelliptic semistable monodromy

Let  $\langle I \rangle$  be the cyclic group generated by a hyperelliptic involution  $I$ . We denote by  $\Pi: \Sigma_g \rightarrow \Sigma_g/\langle I \rangle \simeq S^2$  the canonical projection from  $\Sigma_g$  to the quotient of  $\Sigma_g$  by  $\langle I \rangle$ . Let  $\mathcal{P} := \{P_1, \dots, P_{2g+2}\}$  be the set of the branch points of  $\Pi$ . To prove the main proposition (Lemma 2.4) in this section, we need to observe simple closed curves on  $\Sigma_g$  and their images on  $\Sigma_g/\langle I \rangle$  by  $\Pi$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $\Phi = D_{C_1}^{n_1} \cdots D_{C_r}^{n_r}$  be a hyperelliptic semistable element with  $I$ , where  $\{C_i\}_{i=1, \dots, r}$  is an admissible system of  $\Phi$ . Then, for each  $i$ , there exists  $j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq r$ ) such that  $I(C_i)$  is homotopic to  $C_j$  with  $n_i = n_j$ .*

Proof. Let  $\tilde{D}_C$  and  $\tilde{D}_{I(C)}$  be homeomorphisms whose isotopy classes are  $D_C$  and  $D_{I(C)}$ , respectively. Since  $I$  is homeomorphism of  $\Sigma_g$ , we see that  $I \circ \tilde{D}_C$  is isotopic to  $\tilde{D}_{I(C)} \circ I$  (cf. [2], Lemma 1). Since  $\Phi$  is a hyperelliptic element, we obtain

$$(1) \quad D_{I(C_1)}^{n_1} \cdots D_{I(C_r)}^{n_r} = D_{C_1}^{n_1} \cdots D_{C_r}^{n_r}.$$

Let  $U_{C_i}$  be a small annular open neighbourhood of  $C_i$  such that  $U_{C_i} \cap U_{C_j} = \emptyset$  for all  $i, j$ . Note that there exists a homeomorphism whose isotopy class is  $\Phi$  such that the restriction to  $\Sigma_g \setminus \{\bigcup U_{C_i}\}$  is the identity. Thus from the equation (1), we see that each  $I(C_i)$  does not intersect properly some  $C_j$ . So,  $I(C_i)$  is homotopic to some  $C_j$  with  $n_i = n_j$  or  $I(C_i)$  is homotopic to a curve contained in  $\Sigma_g \setminus \{\bigcup U_{C_i}\}$ . In the latter case, the restriction map of any homeomorphisms in the isotopy class of  $D_{I(C_1)}^{n_1} \cdots D_{I(C_r)}^{n_r}$  to  $\Sigma_g \setminus \{\bigcup U_{C_i}\}$  are not identity, a contradiction.  $\square$

Let  $c: [0, 1] \rightarrow \Sigma_g$  be a simple closed curve on  $\Sigma_g$  such that the curve  $\Pi \circ c$  is the composite  $c_2 \circ c_1$  of curves  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ , where  $c_1: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^2$  is a simple closed curve rounding only one branch point  $P_i$ . Taking another curve homotopic to  $c$  if necessary,

we may assume that  $\Pi \circ c$  intersects itself transversally at the initial point of  $c_1$ . We also assume that any branch points are not on  $\Pi \circ c$ . We denote by  $D_i$  the disk with boundary  $c_1$  that contains  $P_i$  in its inside.

**Lemma 2.2.** *Notation is as above. There exists a simple closed curve  $\tilde{c}$  homotopic to  $c$  satisfying  $\Pi \circ \tilde{c} = c_2 \circ c_1^{-1}$ . Then, any simple closed curve on  $\Sigma_g$  is homotopic to a lift of a curve on  $S^2$  which has no subloop rounding only one branch point of  $\Pi$ .*

Proof. Let  $\bar{c}_1$  and  $\bar{c}_2$  be curves on  $\Sigma_g$  such that  $\Pi \circ \bar{c}_i = c_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) and the composite  $\bar{c}_2 \circ \bar{c}_1$  is  $c$ . Since  $c_1$  rounds only one branch point  $P_i$ ,  $\Pi^{-1}(D_i)$  is a disk on  $\Sigma_g$ . Thus, there exists a curve  $\tilde{c}_1$  on  $\Sigma_g$  such that  $\Pi \circ \tilde{c}_1 = c_1$  and the composite  $\bar{c}_1 \circ \tilde{c}_1$  is the boundary of  $\Pi^{-1}(D_i)$ . Then, we see that the curve  $\tilde{c} := \bar{c}_2 \circ \tilde{c}_1^{-1}$  is homotopic to  $c$  and  $\Pi \circ \tilde{c} = c_2 \circ c_1^{-1}$ . Since the configuration of  $\Pi \circ \tilde{c}$  near  $P_i$  is as shown in Fig. 1 (1), we can find a curve on  $S^2$  homotopic to  $c_2 \circ c_1^{-1}$  such that it does not have a subloop rounding only  $P_i$  (see, Fig. 1 (2)).  $\square$

**REMARK 2.3.** Assume that  $c$  is a curve on  $\Sigma_g$  such that the configuration of  $\Pi \circ c$  near  $P_i$  is as shown in Fig. 1 (3). Then  $c$  is not a simple closed curve on  $\Sigma_g$ .

Let  $\Phi$  be a hyperelliptic semistable element with  $I$ . For each simple closed curve  $C_i$  in an admissible system of  $\Phi$ , we denote it by  $\vec{C}_i$  when we emphasize its orientation. By Lemma 2.1, we can classify the curves in an admissible system into the following three types;

(Type A')  $I(\vec{C}_i)$  is homotopic to  $\vec{C}_i^{-1}$ .

(Type B')  $I(\vec{C}_i)$  is homotopic to  $\vec{C}_i$ .

(Type C') There exists  $j$  ( $\neq i$ ) such that  $I(\vec{C}_i)$  is homotopic to  $\vec{C}_j$  or  $\vec{C}_j^{-1}$ .

We consider the case where  $I(C_i) \neq C_i$  and  $I(C_i) \cap C_i \neq \emptyset$ . We may assume that  $I(C_i)$  intersects  $C_i$  transversally and there exist no branch points of  $\Pi$  on  $\Pi(C_i)$ . Moreover, by Lemma 2.2, we may assume that  $\Pi(C_i)$  does not have a subloop rounding only one branch point of  $\Pi$ . Let  $\vec{\zeta}_1$  be an oriented subcurve of  $\vec{C}_i$  such that  $\vec{\zeta}_1 \cap I(\vec{C}_i) = \{Q_1, Q_2\}$ , where  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are the initial and end points of  $\vec{\zeta}_1$ , respectively. We assume that there exists a subcurve  $\vec{\zeta}_2$  of  $I(C_i)$  (or  $I(C_i)^{-1}$ ) such that the composite  $\vec{\zeta}_2 \circ \vec{\zeta}_1$  is homotopic to zero and  $\vec{\zeta}_1 \cap \vec{\zeta}_2 = \{Q_1, Q_2\}$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{D}_{Q_1 Q_2}$  the disk on  $\Sigma_g$  with boundary  $\vec{\zeta}_2 \circ \vec{\zeta}_1$ . If  $I(Q_1) \neq Q_2$ , then  $I(\mathcal{D}_{Q_1 Q_2}) \cap \mathcal{D}_{Q_1 Q_2} = \emptyset$ . Thus, we see that  $\Pi(\mathcal{D}_{Q_1 Q_2})$  is a disk on  $S^2$  containing no branch points and the configuration of  $\Pi(C_i)$  near  $\Pi(Q_1)$  and  $\Pi(Q_2)$  is as shown in Fig. 2 (1). A lift  $\tilde{C}_i$  of  $\Pi(C_i)'$  as shown in Fig. 2 (2) is homotopic to  $C_i$ . Replacing  $C_i$  to  $\tilde{C}_i$ , we can obtain more simpler admissible system. Repeating this, we may assume that  $I(Q_1) = Q_2$ .

Moreover, by Lemma 2.2, we may assume that  $I(\vec{\zeta}_1) \neq \vec{\zeta}_2$ . Let  $\vec{\zeta}_1^c$  be the subcurve of  $\vec{C}_i$  satisfying  $\vec{\zeta}_1^c \circ \vec{\zeta}_1 = \vec{C}_i$ . Since  $I(\vec{\zeta}_1) \neq \vec{\zeta}_2$ , we see that  $\vec{\zeta}_2^{-1} = I(\vec{\zeta}_1^c)$ , namely,  $I(\vec{\zeta}_1^c)$  is homotopic to  $\vec{\zeta}_1$ . Thus,  $\vec{\zeta}_1^c$  is homotopic to  $I(\vec{\zeta}_1)$ . Set  $C'_i := I(\vec{\zeta}_1) \circ \vec{\zeta}_1^c$ . By the argument above, we see that  $C'_i$  is homotopic to  $C_i$  and  $I(\vec{C}'_i) = \vec{C}'_i$ . In this case,  $C'_i$  is of Type  $B'$ . Repeating this process, we obtain a new admissible system  $\{C'_i\}$  satisfying  $C_i \cap I(C_i) = \emptyset$  or  $C_i = I(C_i)$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $\Phi$  be a hyperelliptic semistable element with  $I$ . Then, we can find an admissible system  $\{C_i\}_{i=1,\dots,r}$  of  $\Phi$  such that each  $C_i$  satisfies one of the following conditions:*

(Type A)  $I(\vec{C}_i) = \vec{C}_i^{-1}$ .

(Type B)  $I(\vec{C}_i) = \vec{C}_i$ .

(Type C) *There exists  $j$  ( $\neq i$ ) such that  $I(C_i) = C_j$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\{C'_i\}$  be an admissible system of  $\Phi$  obtained from an admissible system by repeating the above process. For each  $C'_i$ , we find a curve  $C_i$  homotopic to  $C'_i$  satisfying one of the three conditions in Lemma 2.4. In the case where  $C'_i = I(C'_i)$ , we set  $C_i := C'_i$ . In the case where  $C'_i \cap I(C'_i) = \emptyset$ ,  $C'_i$  is not of Type  $B'$  because  $\Pi(C'_i)$  is a simple closed curve on  $S^2$ . Thus, we may assume that  $C'_i$  is of Type A or Type C.

Assume that  $C'_i$  is of Type A'. We see that  $\Pi(C'_i)$  rounds the two branch points of  $\Pi$ . Let  $c_i$  be a simple path connecting the two branch points satisfying  $c_i \cap \Pi(C'_i) = \emptyset$ . We see that  $C_i := \Pi^{-1}(c_i \circ c_i^{-1})$  is of Type A and homotopic to  $C'_i$ . Assume that  $C'_i$  is of Type C'. Let  $C'_j$  be a curve that is homotopic to  $I(C'_i)$ . In this case, we set  $C_i := C'_i$  and  $C_j := I(C_i)$ . We obtain an admissible system  $\{C_i\}$  that we want.  $\square$

**DEFINITION 2.5.** An admissible system of  $\Phi$  is called *simple* if each simple closed curve in the admissible system satisfies one of the conditions Type A, B, or C in Lemma 2.4.

**REMARK 2.6.** If  $C_i$  is of Type B, there exists a simple closed curve  $c$  on  $S^2$  such that  $c \circ c = \Pi(C_i)$ . Moreover, we see that the number of the branch points of  $\Pi$  contained in the disk with boundary  $c$  is odd. Thus, without fear of confusions, we consider that  $\Pi(C_i)$  is a simple closed curve on  $S^2$ .

We describe the configuration of the special fiber of a family of curves whose monodromy is the conjugacy class of a semistable element (cf. [3]).

Let  $\{(C_i, n_i)\}_{1 \leq i \leq r}$  be pairs of simple closed curves on  $\Sigma_g$  and positive integers. We assume that  $\{C_i\}$  be a disjoint union of simple closed curves. For each  $C_i$ , we choose an open neighbourhood  $U_{C_i}$  of  $C_i$  satisfying; (I)  $U_{C_i}$  is homeomorphic to an

open annulus, (II)  $\overline{U_{C_i}} \cap \overline{U_{C_j}} = \emptyset$  ( $i \neq j$ ), where  $\overline{U_{C_i}}$  is the closure of  $U_{C_i}$ . We denote by  $\partial_{C_i}^1$  and  $\partial_{C_i}^2$  the connected components of the boundary of  $\Sigma_g \setminus U_{C_i}$ .

Let  $R(C_i)_{n_i} := L_{C_i,0} \cup L_{C_i,1} \cup \dots \cup L_{C_i,n_i-1} \cup L_{C_i,n_i}$  be a union of two closed disks and  $n_i - 1$  spheres satisfying the following;

- (A)  $L_{C_i,0}$  and  $L_{C_i,n_i}$  are disks with boundaries  $\partial L_{C_i,0}$  and  $\partial L_{C_i,n_i}$ , respectively.
- (B)  $L_{C_i,j}$  intersects  $L_{C_i,j+1}$  at a point and  $L_{C_i,j} \cap L_{C_i,k} = \emptyset$  when  $|j - k| > 1$ .
- (C)  $L_{C_i,0} \cap L_{C_i,1}$  and  $L_{C_i,n_i-1} \cap L_{C_i,n_i}$  are inner points of  $L_{C_i,0}$  and  $L_{C_i,n_i}$ , respectively.

Identifying  $\partial_{C_i}^1$  with  $\partial L_{C_i,0}$  and  $\partial_{C_i}^2$  with  $\partial L_{C_i,n_i}$ , we obtain the topological space

$$X_{\{(C_i, n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq r}\}} := \left( \Sigma_g \setminus \bigcup U_{C_i} \right) \cup \left( \bigcup R(C_i)_{n_i} \right)$$

called the chorizo space (cf. [3]). An irreducible component of  $X_{\{(C_i, n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq r}\}}$  which is not contained in any  $R(C_i)_{n_i}$  is called a *body component* of  $X_{\{(C_i, n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq r}\}}$ . We call the sub chorizo space  $L_{C_i,1} \cup \dots \cup L_{C_i,n_i-1}$  of  $X_{\{(C_i, n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq r}\}}$  the *core chain at  $C_i$* . We call a union of spheres satisfying the condition (B) a  $\mathbf{P}^1$ -chain. We call a point at which two components intersect a *double point*. When  $g = 0$ , we can also define the chorizo space, similarly. It is well-known fact that the special fiber of a family of curves is homeomorphic to  $X_{\{(C_i, n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq r}\}}$  if the monodromy of the family is the conjugacy class  $[\Phi]$  of a semistable element  $\Phi = D_{C_1}^{n_1} \cdots D_{C_r}^{n_r}$ . Conversely, the monodromy of a family with the special fiber  $X_{\{(C_i, n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq r}\}}$  is  $[\Phi]$ . We set  $X_{[\Phi]} := X_{\{(C_i, n_i)_{1 \leq i \leq r}\}}$ , for short.

EXAMPLE 2.7. Let  $\{C_i, \overline{C}_j, C'_k, C''_l\}_{1 \leq i, k \leq 3, 1 \leq j \leq 5}$  be a set of simple closed curves on  $\Sigma_{12}$  as shown in Fig. 3. If the monodromy of a family is the conjugacy class of

$$\Phi = D_{C_1} D_{C_2} D_{C_3}^3 D_{\overline{C}_1}^4 D_{\overline{C}_2} D_{\overline{C}_3}^2 D_{C_4}^2 D_{C_5}^2 D_{C'_1}^3 D_{C''_1}^3 D_{C'_2} D_{C''_2} D_{C'_3}^2 D_{C''_3}^2,$$

the configuration of the special fiber is as shown in Fig. 4.

### 3. Proof of Theorem 1.1

**3.1. Canonical resolution of double covering.** In this section, we review the canonical resolution for double coverings introduced by Horikawa (cf. [1]). For a positive small real number  $\varepsilon$ , we set  $\Delta_\varepsilon := \{t \in \mathbf{C} \mid |t| < \varepsilon\}$  and  $W_0 := \mathbf{P}^1 \times \Delta_\varepsilon$ . Let  $\pi_0: W_0 \rightarrow \Delta_\varepsilon$  be the second projection,  $(\tilde{Z}_0 : \tilde{Z}_1)$  a homogeneous coordinates of  $\mathbf{P}^1$  and  $t$  a parameter of  $\Delta_\varepsilon$ . Let  $F(\tilde{Z}_0, \tilde{Z}_1, t) \in \mathbf{C}[\tilde{Z}_0, \tilde{Z}_1, t]$  be a polynomial satisfying the following conditions; (a)  $F$  is a homogeneous polynomial of degree  $2g + 2$  with respect to  $(\tilde{Z}_0 : \tilde{Z}_1)$ , (b) the equation  $F(\tilde{Z}_0, 1, t) = 0$  has  $2g + 2$  distinct roots for each  $t \in \Delta_\varepsilon \setminus \{0\}$ . Let  $B_0$  and  $[B_0]$  be the divisor defined by  $F(\tilde{Z}_0, \tilde{Z}_1, t) = 0$  and the associated line bundle on  $W_0$ , respectively. By (a),  $[B_0]$  is even, namely, there exists a line bundle  $F_0$  satisfying  $[B_0] \simeq F_0^{\otimes 2}$ . Thus, there exists a morphism  $\psi_0: S_0 \rightarrow W_0$  of degree two branched along the divisor  $B_0$ . By (b), the fibers  $(\pi_0 \circ \psi_0)^{-1}(t)$  ( $t \in \Delta_\varepsilon \setminus \{0\}$ ) are smooth hyperelliptic curves. We set  $\Gamma_t := \pi_0^{-1}(t)$ .

We define  $\tau_i$ ,  $\tilde{\tau}_i$ ,  $\pi_i$ ,  $B_i$ ,  $F_i$ ,  $E_i$  and  $\psi_i$  inductively as follows: We choose a singular point  $p_{i-1}$  of  $B_{i-1}$ . Let  $\tau_i: W_i \rightarrow W_{i-1}$  be the blowing-up at  $p_{i-1}$ . We denote the multiplicity of  $B_{i-1}$  at  $p_{i-1}$  by  $m_{p_{i-1}}$ . Let  $E_i$  be the exceptional set of  $\tau_i$ . We set  $B_i := \tau_i^* B_{i-1} - 2[m_{p_{i-1}}/2]E_i$  and  $F_i := \tau_i^* F_{i-1} - [m_{p_{i-1}}/2]E_i$ , where  $[m_{p_{i-1}}/2]$  is the greatest integer not exceeding  $m_{p_{i-1}}/2$ . Since  $[B_i] \simeq F_i^{\otimes 2}$ , we can take a double covering  $\psi_i: S_i \rightarrow W_i$  branched along  $B_i$  and naturally define a bimeromorphic map  $\tilde{\tau}_i: S_i \rightarrow S_{i-1}$  (cf. [1, §2]). We set  $\pi_i := \pi_{i-1} \circ \tau_i$ . Repeating this process, we obtain a sequence of blowing-ups  $W_r \xrightarrow{\tau_r} \cdots \xrightarrow{\tau_1} W_1 \xrightarrow{\tau_1} W_0$  satisfying that  $B_r$  is nonsingular. Since the set of singular points of  $S_r$  coincides with the inverse image of the set of the singular points of  $B_r$  by  $\psi_r$ , we see that  $S_r$  is nonsingular. We obtain the relatively minimal model  $\phi: S \rightarrow \Delta_\varepsilon$  by the composite of the blowing-downs of suitable  $(-1)$ -curves successively on  $S_r$ . We call the above process *Horikawa's canonical resolution* (the canonical resolution, for short).

Note that if a component  $E$  of  $(\tau_1 \circ \cdots \circ \tau_r)^* \Gamma_0$  is a component of  $B_r$ , the multiplicity of  $\psi_r^*(E)$  is  $2n_i$ , and  $n_i$ , otherwise.

**3.2. Construction of hyperelliptic families.** In this section, we prove Theorem 1.1, namely, for any hyperelliptic semistable element  $\Phi$ , we construct a hyperelliptic family with monodromy  $[\Phi]$ . Set

$$\Phi = D_{C_1}^{n_1} \cdots D_{C_k}^{n_k} D_{\overline{C}_1}^{\overline{n}_1} \cdots D_{\overline{C}_m}^{\overline{n}_m} D_{C'_1}^{n'_1} D_{I(C'_1)}^{n'_1} \cdots D_{C'_s}^{n'_s} D_{I(C'_s)}^{n'_s},$$

where  $\mathcal{C}_A := \{C_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq k}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_B := \{\overline{C}_j\}_{1 \leq j \leq m}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_C := \{C'_l, I(C'_l)\}_{1 \leq l \leq s}$  are the sets of simple closed curves of Type A, Type B and Type C, respectively.

Since the monodromy of a family is  $[\Phi]$  if and only if the special fiber of the family is homeomorphic to  $X_{[\Phi]}$ , we construct a hyperelliptic family whose special fiber is  $X_{[\Phi]}$ . We would obtain such a family as the nonsingular minimal model of a double covering  $\psi_0: S_0 \rightarrow W_0 := \mathbf{P}^1 \times \Delta$  introduced in Section 3.1. Our strategy is as follows;

In Step 1, we construct the chorizo spaces  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}$  and  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  and an involution  $\tilde{I}$  on  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}$ . There exists a surjective map  $\Pi_{[\Phi]}: \tilde{X}_{[\Phi]} \rightarrow X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  of degree two such that  $\Pi_{[\Phi]}$  is induced from the natural map  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]} \rightarrow \tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}/\langle \tilde{I} \rangle$ , where  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}/\langle \tilde{I} \rangle$  is the quotient by the group  $\langle \tilde{I} \rangle$  generated by  $\tilde{I}$ . In Step 2, we give a symbol to each irreducible component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  and each point at which two components intersect for convenience. In Step 3, we give the defining equation of the branch locus  $B_0$  on  $W_0$  using the symbols defined in Step 2 and observe the canonical resolution. Let  $W_r \xrightarrow{\tau_r} \cdots \xrightarrow{\tau_1} W_1 \xrightarrow{\tau_1} W_0$  be the subsequence of the blowing-ups obtained by the canonical resolution satisfying that  $S_r$  admits only rational double points of type  $A_n$ . We can easily see that  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  is homeomorphic to  $(\tau_r \circ \cdots \circ \tau_1)^* \Gamma_0$  and  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}$  is homeomorphic to the singular fiber of  $S_r$ . Finally, we show that the special fiber of the nonsingular minimal model of  $S_r$  is homeomorphic to  $X_{[\Phi]}$ .

STEP 1 We first consider  $\Sigma_g/\langle I \rangle \simeq S^2$  with the data  $(\Pi(C_i), \Pi(\overline{C}_j), \Pi(C'_l), n_i, \overline{n}_j, n'_l)$  and the set of the branch points  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_1, P_2, \dots, P_{2g+2}\}$  of  $\Pi$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}'$  be the subset of  $\mathcal{P}$  such that each point in  $\mathcal{P}'$  is not on  $\Pi(\mathcal{C}_A)$ .

Since  $\mathcal{C}_A \cup \mathcal{C}_B \cup \mathcal{C}_C$  is a simple admissible system, the set  $\{\Pi(\overline{C}_j)\}_{1 \leq j \leq m} \cup \{\Pi(C'_l)\}_{1 \leq l \leq s}$  is the disjoint union of simple closed curves (cf. Remark 2.6). Thus, we can consider the chorizo space

$$X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} := X_{\{(\Pi(\overline{C}_j), 2\overline{n}_j)_{1 \leq j \leq m}, (\Pi(C'_l), n'_l)_{1 \leq l \leq s}\}}$$

defined in Section 2. With this chorizo space, we consider the data  $\{(\Pi(C_i), n_i)\}_{1 \leq i \leq k}$  and  $\mathcal{P}$ . For example, in the case where  $\Phi$  is an element in Example 2.7,  $S^2$  with the data is as shown in Fig. 5 and  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  with the data is as shown in Fig. 6. For each  $C_i$ , we take a point on  $\Pi(C_i)$  and denote it by  $P_{C_i}$ .

We use the same notations as in Section 2. For each simple closed curve  $C$  in  $\mathcal{C}_A \cup \mathcal{C}_B \cup \mathcal{C}_C$ , we denote a small annular open neighbourhood by  $U_C$  satisfying  $I(U_C) = U_{I(C)}$  and  $U_C \cap \Pi^{-1}(\mathcal{P}') = \emptyset$ . We assume that they do not intersect each other. Moreover, we assume that  $I(\partial_{C'_l}^1) = \partial_{I(C'_l)}^1$  and  $I(\partial_{C'_l}^2) = \partial_{I(C'_l)}^2$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be the union of all annular neighbourhoods defined as above. Set

$$(2) \quad \tilde{X}_{[\Phi]} := X_{\{(C_i, 1)_{1 \leq i \leq k}, (\overline{C}_j, 2\overline{n}_j)_{1 \leq j \leq m}, (C'_l, n'_l)_{1 \leq l \leq s}, (I(C'_l), n'_l)_{1 \leq l \leq s}\}}$$

We define an orientation preserving homeomorphism  $\tilde{I}: \tilde{X}_{[\Phi]} \rightarrow \tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}$  induced from  $I$  as follows; Set  $\mathcal{B}o := \Sigma_g \setminus \mathcal{U}$ . We decompose  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}$  as  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]} = \mathcal{B}o \cup \mathcal{C}h_A \cup \mathcal{C}h_B \cup \mathcal{C}h_C$ , where  $\mathcal{C}h_A := \bigcup R(C_i)_1$ ,  $\mathcal{C}h_B := \bigcup R(\overline{C}_j)_{2\overline{n}_j}$ , and  $\mathcal{C}h_C := \bigcup (R(C'_l)_{n'_l} \cup R(I(C'_l))_{n'_l})$ . For  $\mathcal{B}o$  and each member of  $\mathcal{C}h_A \cup \mathcal{C}h_B \cup \mathcal{C}h_C$ , we define an orientation preserving homeomorphism satisfying suitable conditions in the following way.

We can naturally define  $I_{\mathcal{B}o}: \mathcal{B}o \rightarrow \mathcal{B}o$  by the restriction of  $I$  to  $\Sigma_g \setminus \mathcal{U}$ . Note that  $\Pi^{-1}(\mathcal{P}')$  is the set of fixed points of  $I_{\mathcal{B}o}$ . Thus, we can consider that  $\Pi^{-1}(\mathcal{P}')$  is the set of points on  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}$ .

For each  $R(C_i)_1 = L_{C_i, 0} \cup L_{C_i, 1}$ , we can define a homeomorphism  $I_{C_i}: R(C_i)_1 \rightarrow R(C_i)_1$  of order two such that  $I_{C_i}$  coincides with  $I_{\mathcal{B}o}$  on  $\partial_{C_i}^1 \cup \partial_{C_i}^2$  (we identify  $\partial L_{C_i, 0}$  with  $\partial_{C_i}^1$ , and  $\partial L_{C_i, 1}$  with  $\partial_{C_i}^2$ ). Note that  $I_{C_i}(L_{C_i, 0}) = L_{C_i, 1}$  and the fixed point is  $L_{C_i, 0} \cap L_{C_i, 1}$ .

For each  $R(\overline{C}_j)_{2\overline{n}_j}$ , we define a homeomorphism  $I_{\overline{C}_j}: R(\overline{C}_j)_{2\overline{n}_j} \rightarrow R(\overline{C}_j)_{2\overline{n}_j}$  of order two such that  $I_{\overline{C}_j}$  coincides with  $I_{\mathcal{B}o}$  on  $\partial_{\overline{C}_j}^1 \cup \partial_{\overline{C}_j}^2$  and the fixed locus is  $\bigcup_{d=1}^{\overline{n}_j} L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d-1}$ . Thus, the restriction map  $I_{\overline{C}_j}|_{L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d}} (d = 2, \dots, \overline{n}_j - 1)$  is a homeomorphism of  $L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d}$  of order two with fixed points  $L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d} \cap L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d+1}$  and  $L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d} \cap L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d-1}$ .

For  $R(C'_l)_{n'_l} \cup R(I(C'_l))_{n'_l}$ , we can define a homeomorphism  $I_{C'_l}: R(C'_l)_{n'_l} \cup R(I(C'_l))_{n'_l} \rightarrow R(C'_l)_{n'_l} \cup R(I(C'_l))_{n'_l}$  of order two such that  $I_{C'_l}(L_{C'_l, d}) = L_{I(C'_l), d}$  and  $I_{C'_l}$  coincides with  $I_{\mathcal{B}o}$  on  $\partial_{C'_l}^1 \cup \partial_{C'_l}^2 \cup \partial_{I(C'_l)}^1 \cup \partial_{I(C'_l)}^2$ .

By gluing these maps, we obtain a homeomorphism  $\tilde{I}$  of  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}$ . Since we see that  $\tilde{I}$  is an involution, we can consider the quotient map  $\tilde{\Pi}: \tilde{X}_{[\Phi]} \rightarrow \tilde{X}_{[\Phi]} / \langle \tilde{I} \rangle$  of degree two. From the construction, there exists a natural homeomorphism  $\Theta: \tilde{X}_{[\Phi]} / \langle \tilde{I} \rangle \rightarrow X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  such that  $\Theta(\tilde{\Pi}(\Pi^{-1}(P_i))) = P_i$  ( $P_i \in \mathcal{P}'$ ) and  $\Theta(\tilde{\Pi}(L_{C_i, 0} \cap L_{C_i, 1})) = P_{C_i}$ .

Then we can consider the surjective map  $\Pi_{[\Phi]}: \tilde{X}_{[\Phi]} \rightarrow X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  of degree two such that the branch locus is  $\bigcup \left( \bigcup L_{\bar{C}_j, 2d-1} \right)$  and the set of isolated branch points is  $\mathcal{P}' \cup \{P_{C_i}\}$ . Note that  $\Pi_{[\Phi]}^{-1}(P_i)$  ( $P_i \in \mathcal{P}'$ ) is not a double point and  $\Pi_{[\Phi]}^{-1}(P_{C_i})$  is a double point.

STEP 2 A component of a chorizo space which intersects only one component is called a *terminal component*. Since the dual graph of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  is a tree, there exists at least one terminal component. For later use, we give a symbol to each component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  by the following way (see Fig. 7, for example, in Fig. 7, we give a symbol to each component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  appearing in Example 2.7. The lines mean irreducible components of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ ); Choose a terminal component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  and denote it by  $Z_0$ . If  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  has another terminal component, then  $Z_0$  intersects only one component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ . We denote it by  $Z_{0,1}^1$ . If there exist components of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} \setminus Z_0$  which intersect  $Z_{0,1}^1$ , choose a component among them and denote it by  $Z_{0,2}^1$ . Inductively, if there exist components of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} \setminus Z_{0,i-1}^1$  intersecting  $Z_{0,i}^1$ , choose such a component and denote it by  $Z_{0,i+1}^1$ . Finally, we obtain a  $\mathbf{P}^1$ -chain  $Z_0 \cup Z_{0,1}^1 \cup \dots \cup Z_{0,k}^1$  such that  $Z_{0,k}^1$  is a terminal component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ .

Let  $Z_{0,j}^1$  be a component which is not a terminal component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} \setminus \{Z_{0,j-1}^1\}$ . If  $j = 1$ , we set  $Z_{0,0}^1 := Z_0$ . We denote by  $Z_{0,j,1}^{1,1}, Z_{0,j,1}^{1,2}, \dots, Z_{0,j,1}^{1,d}$  the components of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} \setminus \{Z_{0,j-1}^1, Z_{0,j+1}^1\}$  that intersect  $Z_{0,j}^1$ . For each  $Z_{0,j,1}^{1,i}$  which is not a terminal component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ , choose a component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} \setminus Z_{0,j}^1$  intersecting  $Z_{0,j,1}^{1,i}$  and denote it by  $Z_{0,j,2}^{1,i}$ . Inductively, if  $Z_{0,j,j'}^{1,i}$  is not a terminal component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ , choose a component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} \setminus Z_{0,j,j'-1}^{1,i}$  intersecting  $Z_{0,j,j'}^{1,i}$ , and denote it by  $Z_{0,j,j'+1}^{1,i}$ . Finally, we obtain a  $\mathbf{P}^1$ -chain  $Z_{0,j,1}^{1,i} \cup \dots \cup Z_{0,j,\eta}^{1,i}$  such that  $Z_{0,j,\eta}^{1,i}$  is a terminal component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ .

By the same way, we give symbols to all components of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ ; For simplicity, we denote a sequence  $1, i_1, \dots, i_{l-1}$  by  $I_l$  and a sequence  $0, j_1, \dots, j_{l-1}$  by  $J_l$ . Let  $Z_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l}$  be a component which is not a terminal component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} \setminus Z_{J_l, j_l-1}^{I_l}$ . We denote by  $Z_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, 1}, Z_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, 2}, \dots, Z_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, \eta_l}$  the components of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} \setminus \{Z_{J_l, j_l-1}^{I_l}, Z_{J_l, j_l+1}^{I_l}\}$  which intersect  $Z_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l}$ . For each  $Z_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, \alpha}$ , choose a subchorizo space  $Z_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, \alpha} \cup Z_{J_l, j_l, 2}^{I_l, \alpha} \cup \dots \cup Z_{J_l, j_l, j_l+1}^{I_l, \alpha}$  of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  such that  $Z_{J_l, j_l, j_l+1}^{I_l, \alpha}$  is a terminal component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ .

We also give a symbol to each point at which two components intersect. We denote by  $a_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l}$  the point at which  $Z_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l}$  intersects  $Z_{J_l, j_l-1}^{I_l}$  when  $j_l \neq 1$ . We denote by  $a_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, \alpha}$  the point at which  $Z_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, \alpha}$  intersects  $Z_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l}$ . We set

$$\mathcal{I}_{\Phi} := \left\{ (I_l, J_l, j_l) \mid a_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l} \in X_{[\Phi, \Pi]} \right\}.$$

When  $\theta = (I_l, J_l, j_l) \in \mathcal{I}_\Phi$ , we sometimes write  $a_\theta$  and  $Z_\theta$  instead of writing  $a_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l}$  and  $Z_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l}$ , for simplicity.

STEP 3 Let  $P_\xi \in \mathcal{P}'$  be a point on  $Z_{0, j_1, \dots, j_l}^{1, i_1, \dots, i_{l-1}}$ . We define the polynomial  $f_{P_\xi}(\tilde{Z}_0, t, a_\theta, P_\xi)$  associated to  $P_\xi$  as follows;

$$f_{P_\xi}(\tilde{Z}_0, t, a_\theta, P_\xi) := \tilde{Z}_0 - \left( \sum_{j=1}^{j_l} a_{0,j}^1 t^{j-1} + \sum_{j=1}^{j_2} a_{0,j_1,j}^{1,i_1} t^{j_1+j-1} + \dots + \sum_{j=1}^{j_l} a_{0,j_1, \dots, j_{l-1}, j}^{1,i_1, \dots, i_{l-1}} t^{j_1+j_2+\dots+j_{l-1}+j-1} + P_\xi t^{j_1+j_2+\dots+j_l} \right).$$

If  $P_\xi$  is on  $Z_0$ , we set  $f_{P_\xi} := \tilde{Z}_0 - P_\xi$ .

Let  $\Pi(C_i)$  be the image of a curve of Type A by  $\Pi$  on  $Z_{0, j_1, \dots, j_l}^{1, i_1, \dots, i_{l-1}}$ . We define the polynomial  $g_{C_i}(\tilde{Z}_0, t, a_\theta, P_{C_i})$  associated to  $\Pi(C_i)$  as following;

$$g_{C_i}(\tilde{Z}_0, t, a_\theta, P_{C_i}) := \left\{ \tilde{Z}_0 - \left( \sum_{j=1}^{j_l} a_{0,j}^1 t^{j-1} + \sum_{j=1}^{j_2} a_{0,j_1,j}^{1,i_1} t^{j_1+j-1} + \dots + \sum_{j=1}^{j_l} a_{0,j_1, \dots, j_{l-1}, j}^{1,i_1, \dots, i_{l-1}} t^{j_1+j_2+\dots+j_{l-1}+j-1} + P_{C_i} t^{j_1+j_2+\dots+j_l} \right) \right\}^2 - t^{n_i+2(j_1+\dots+j_l)}.$$

If  $\Pi(C_i)$  is on  $Z_0$ , we set  $g_{C_i}(\tilde{Z}_0, t, P_{C_i}) := (\tilde{Z}_0 - P_{C_i})^2 - t^{n_i}$ . Set

$$F(\tilde{Z}_0, t, \{P_{C_i}\}, \{P_\xi\}, \{a_\theta\}) := \prod_{P_\xi \in \mathcal{P}'} \prod_{C_i \in \mathcal{C}_A} f_{P_\xi}(\tilde{Z}_0, t, a_\theta, P_\xi) g_{C_i}(\tilde{Z}_0, t, a_\theta, P_{C_i}).$$

Fix  $\{[P_{C_i}], [P_\xi], [a_\theta]\}$  a set of mutually distinct complex non-zero numbers and consider the polynomial  $F(\tilde{Z}_0, t) := F(\tilde{Z}_0, t, \{[P_{C_i}]\}, \{[P_\xi]\}, \{[a_\theta]\})$ . Note that the degree of  $F(\tilde{Z}_0, t)$  with respect to  $Z_0$  is  $2g+2$ . Moreover, since  $\{[P_{C_i}], [P_\xi], [a_\theta]\}$  is a set of mutually distinct complex numbers, the roots of  $F(\tilde{Z}_0, t) = 0$  is mutually distinct when  $t \neq 0$  and  $|t|$  is sufficiently small. Let  $\varepsilon$  be the small positive real number such that the roots of  $F(\tilde{Z}_0, t) = 0$  is mutually distinct. We set  $\Delta := \{t \in \mathbf{C} \mid |t| < \varepsilon\}$ . Let  $\tilde{F}(\tilde{Z}_0, \tilde{Z}_1, t)$  be the homogeneous polynomial of degree  $2g+2$  with respect to  $(\tilde{Z}_0 : \tilde{Z}_1)$  satisfying  $\tilde{F}(\tilde{Z}_0, 1, t) = F(\tilde{Z}_0, t)$ .

Let  $\psi_0: S_0 \rightarrow W_0 := \mathbf{P}^1 \times \Delta$  be the double covering branched along  $B_0$ ;  $\tilde{F}(\tilde{Z}_0, \tilde{Z}_1, t) = 0$ , where  $(\tilde{Z}_0 : \tilde{Z}_1)$  is a homogeneous coordinates of  $\mathbf{P}^1$ . Since the divisor defined by  $\tilde{Z}_1 = 0$  does not intersect  $B_0$ , it is sufficient to observe  $B_0$  on  $\tilde{Z}_1 \neq 0$  defined by  $F(\tilde{Z}_0, t) = 0$ . We observe the canonical resolution of the family  $\pi_0 \circ \psi_0: S_0 \rightarrow \Delta$ . In the case where  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  has only one component, the assertion is clear because each simple closed curve in a simple admissible system of  $\Phi$  is of Type A.

Let  $\tau_1: W_1 \rightarrow W_0$  be the blowing-up at  $\tilde{Z}_0 - [a_{0,1}^1] = t = 0$ . Let  $\overline{Z}_{0,1}^1$  be the exceptional set of  $\tau_1$ . We denote by  $\tilde{Z}_{0,1}^1$  an affine coordinates of the exceptional set satisfying  $\tilde{Z}_0 - [a_{0,1}^1] = t \tilde{Z}_{0,1}^1$ .

If  $(1; 0, 2) \in \mathcal{I}_\Phi$ , we blow up at  $\tilde{Z}_{0,1}^1 - [a_{0,2}^1] = t = 0$  and denote by  $\overline{Z}_{0,2}^1$  the exceptional set of this blowing-up. We denote by  $\tilde{Z}_{0,2}^1$  an affine coordinates satisfying  $\tilde{Z}_{0,1}^1 - [a_{0,2}^1] = t \tilde{Z}_{0,2}^1$ . Similarly, if  $(1, d; 0, 1, 1) \in \mathcal{I}_\Phi$ , we blow up at  $\tilde{Z}_{0,1}^1 - [a_{0,1,1}^{1,d}] = t = 0$ . We denote by  $\overline{Z}_{0,1,1}^{1,d}$  the exceptional set of this blowing-up. We denote by  $\tilde{Z}_{0,1,1}^{1,d}$  an affine coordinates of the exceptional set satisfying  $\tilde{Z}_{0,1}^1 - [a_{0,1,1}^{1,d}] = t \tilde{Z}_{0,1,1}^{1,d}$ .

Inductively, we blow up and give the symbols to the exceptional sets of the blowing-ups in the way similar to the above; If  $(I_l; J_l, j_l + 1) \in \mathcal{I}_\Phi$ , we blow up at  $\tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l}^l - [a_{J_l, j_l+1}^{I_l}] = t = 0$  and denote by  $\overline{Z}_{J_l, j_l+1}^{I_l}$  the exceptional set of this blowing-up. We denote by  $\tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l+1}^{I_l}$  an affine coordinates of the exceptional set satisfying  $\tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l}^l - [a_{J_l, j_l+1}^{I_l}] = t \tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l+1}^{I_l}$ . If there exists  $d \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $(I_l, d; J_l, j_l, 1) \in \mathcal{I}_\Phi$ , we blow up at  $\tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l}^l - [a_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, d}] = t = 0$  and give the symbol  $\overline{Z}_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, d}$  to the exceptional set of this blowing-up. We denote by  $\tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, d}$  an affine coordinates satisfying  $\tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l}^l - [a_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, d}] = t \tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, d}$ .

Let  $W_r \xrightarrow{\tau_r} W_{r-1} \xrightarrow{\tau_{r-1}} \dots \xrightarrow{\tau_1} W_0$  be the sequence of the blowing-ups obtained by the process above. Then, we obtain the chorizo space  $(\tau_1 \circ \dots \circ \tau_r)^* \Gamma_0 = \bigcup_{\theta \in \mathcal{I}_\Phi} \overline{Z}_\theta$ . Here, we use the same symbol for the exceptional set of each blowing-up  $\tau_{r'}: W_{r'} \rightarrow W_{r'-1}$  ( $r' \leq r$ ) and its strict transform by  $\tau_{r'+1} \circ \dots \circ \tau_r$ . Note that the multiplicity of each component of  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  is one. For each  $r'$ , we can define the double covering  $\psi_{r'}: S_{r'} \rightarrow W_{r'}$  branched along  $B_{r'}$  and bimeromorphic map  $\tilde{\tau}_{r'}: S_{r'} \rightarrow S_{r'-1}$  introduced in the previous section. Since  $\overline{Z}_{J_l, j_l+1}^{I_l}$  intersects  $\overline{Z}_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l}$  at  $\tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l}^l = [a_{J_l, j_l+1}^{I_l}]$  and  $\overline{Z}_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, \alpha}$  intersects  $\overline{Z}_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l}$  at  $\tilde{Z}_{J_l, j_l}^{I_l} = [a_{J_l, j_l, 1}^{I_l, \alpha}]$ , there exists a natural homeomorphism between  $\bigcup \overline{Z}_\theta$  to  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  that sends each exceptional set  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  ( $\theta \in \mathcal{I}_\Phi$ ) to the irreducible component  $Z_\theta$  of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ . Then, we can identify  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  with  $(\tau_1 \circ \dots \circ \tau_r)^* \Gamma_0$ . Moreover, if  $P_\xi \in Z_\theta$ , the strict transform of  $f_{P_\xi} = 0$  on  $W_r$  intersects the exceptional set  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  at  $\tilde{Z}_\theta = [P_\xi]$ , transversally. Thus, we can identify the point  $P_\xi \in \mathcal{P}'$  on  $Z_\theta$  with the point on the component  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  defined by  $\tilde{Z}_\theta = [P_\xi]$ . If  $\Pi(C_i) \subset Z_\theta$ , the strict transform of  $g_{C_i} = 0$  on  $W_r$  intersects the exceptional set  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  at  $\tilde{Z}_\theta = [P_{C_i}]$ . Then we identify naturally the point  $P_{C_i} \in \mathcal{P}'$  on  $Z_\theta$  of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  with the point on  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  defined by  $\tilde{Z}_\theta - [P_{C_i}] = t = 0$ .

We can easily see that the defining equation of the strict transform of  $g_{C_i} = 0$  on  $W_r$  near  $\tilde{Z}_\theta = [P_{C_i}]$  is  $(\tilde{Z}_\theta - [P_{C_i}])^2 = t^{n_i}$ . Thus, if  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  is not a component of  $B_r$ , the singular point on  $S_r$  over  $\tilde{Z}_\theta - [P_{C_i}] = t = 0$  is a rational double point of type  $A_{n_i-1}$ . In the proof of Claim 3.2, we show that a exceptional set corresponding to a body component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  is not a component of  $B_r$ .

**CLAIM 3.1.** Let  $\tau_{r'}: W_{r'} \rightarrow W_{r'-1}$  be the blowing-up at  $Q$ ;  $\tilde{Z}_\theta - [a_{\theta'}] = t = 0$ . Then, the strict transform  $\tilde{B}_{r'-1}$  of the divisor  $B_0$  by  $\overline{\tau}_{r'-1} = \tau_1 \circ \dots \circ \tau_{r'-1}$  is singular

at  $Q$ .

Proof of Claim 3.1. Note that the strict transform of  $f_{P_\xi} = 0$  or  $g_{C_i} = 0$  by  $\bar{\tau}_{r'-1}$  contains  $Q$ , if and only if  $f_{P_\xi}$  or  $g_{C_i}$  include a monomial whose coefficient is  $[a_{\theta'}]$ . Assume that  $\tilde{B}_{r'-1}$  is nonsingular at  $\tilde{Z}_\theta - [a_{\theta'}] = t = 0$ . Then, there exists unique irreducible component  $D$  of  $\tilde{B}_{r'-1}$  that contains  $Q$ . Let  $D'$  be the irreducible component of  $B_0$  such that the strict transform of  $D'$  by  $\bar{\tau}_{r'-1}$  is  $D$ . If the defining equation of  $D'$  is  $g_{C_i} = 0$ , we see that  $\Pi(C_i)$  is on the component  $Z_\theta$  of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  because if  $\Pi(C_i)$  is not on  $Z_\theta$ , the strict transform of  $D'$  by  $\bar{\tau}_{r'-1}$  is singular. Then, the strict transform of  $g_{C_i} = 0$  intersects  $\bar{Z}_\theta$  at  $\tilde{Z}_\theta = [P_{C_i}]$ . It contradicts that  $\{[P_{C_i}], [P_\xi], [a_\theta]\}$  is a set of mutually distinct complex numbers. Thus, there exists a branch point  $P_\xi \in Z_{\tilde{\theta}}$  of  $\Pi$  such that the defining equation of  $D'$  is  $f_{P_\xi} = 0$ . If  $\theta = \tilde{\theta}$ , it contradicts the fact  $[P_\xi] \neq [a_\theta]$ . If  $\theta \neq \tilde{\theta}$ , we see that there exists no  $\Pi(C_j)$  and no branch points but  $P_\xi$  on  $Z_{\tilde{\theta}}$ . Moreover, we see that  $Z_{\tilde{\theta}}$  is a terminal component of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ . It contradicts the assumption that  $\mathcal{C}_A \cup \mathcal{C}_B \cup \mathcal{C}_C$  is an admissible system of  $\Phi$ .  $\square$

CLAIM 3.2. Let  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_1} \cup \dots \cup \bar{Z}_{\theta_N}$  be a set of the exceptional sets corresponding to the core chain at the image of a curve of Type B or Type C by  $\Pi$ . Let  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_0}$  and  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_{N+1}}$  are the exceptional sets corresponding to the body components such that  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_0}$  and  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_{N+1}}$  intersect  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_1}$  and  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_N}$ , respectively. Then, if  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_1} \cup \dots \cup \bar{Z}_{\theta_N}$  is a set of the exceptional sets corresponding to the core chain at the image of a curve of Type C, each  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_i}$  is not a component of  $B_r$ . If  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_1} \cup \dots \cup \bar{Z}_{\theta_N}$  is corresponding to the core chain at the image of a curve of Type B by  $\Pi$ , then each  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_i}$  is a component of  $B_r$  when  $i$  is odd and not a component of  $B_r$  when  $i$  is even.

Proof of Claim 3.2. Let  $\tau_{r'}: W_{r'} \rightarrow W_{r'-1}$  be the blowing-up whose exceptional set is  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_1}$ . Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_2}, \dots, \bar{Z}_{\theta_N}$  are not the exceptional sets of  $\bar{\tau}_{r'-1}$ . Thus, we can consider that  $\tau_{r'}$  is the blowing-up at  $Q$ ;  $\tilde{Z}_{\theta_0} - [a_{\theta_1}] = t = 0$ .

Let  $\{\theta'_1, \dots, \theta'_w\}$  be the subset of  $\mathcal{I}_\Phi$  such that each  $Z_{\theta'_i}$  is contracted to  $Q$  by  $\tau_{r'} \circ \dots \circ \tau_r$ . By the definition of  $f_{P_\xi}$  and  $g_{C_i}$ , we see that each strict transform of  $f_{P_\xi} = 0$  (resp.  $g_{C_i} = 0$ ) by  $\bar{\tau}_{r'-1}$  contains  $Q$  if and only if there exists  $\theta'_i$  such that  $f_{P_\xi}$  (resp.  $g_{C_i}$ ) includes a monomial whose coefficient is  $[a_{\theta'_i}]$ . The multiplicities of the strict transform of  $f_{P_\xi} = 0$  and  $g_{C_i} = 0$  at  $Q$  are one and two, respectively if they contain  $Q$ . Thus, the multiplicity of the strict transform  $\tilde{B}_{r'-1}$  of  $B_0$  at  $Q$  by  $\bar{\tau}_{r'-1}$  coincides with the number of the branch points of  $\Pi$  that are on the components  $Z_{\theta'_1}, \dots, Z_{\theta'_w}$  of  $X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$ . Then, we see that the multiplicity of  $\tilde{B}_{r'-1}$  at  $Q$  is odd if  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_1} \cup \dots \cup \bar{Z}_{\theta_N}$  is the core chain at the image of a curve of Type B, and even if not. If  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_0}$  is not a component of  $B_r$ , the assertion is clear because  $N$  is odd when  $\bar{Z}_{\theta_1} \cup \dots \cup \bar{Z}_{\theta_N}$  is the core chain at the image of a curve of Type B. Though, since the strict transform of  $\Gamma_0$  is a component corresponding to a body component and not a component of  $B_r$ , we see that all components corresponding to body components are not components

of  $B_r$ . □

Let  $\overline{P}_i$  and  $\overline{P}_{C_i}$  be points on  $(\tau_1 \circ \cdots \circ \tau_r)^* \Gamma_0$  corresponding to  $P_i$  and  $P_{C_i}$ , respectively. Let  $\tilde{r}: \tilde{S}_r \rightarrow S_r$  be the minimal resolution of all singular points of type  $A_n$  on  $S_r$  and  $\tilde{S}_r \rightarrow S$  the blowing-downs of suitable  $(-1)$ -curves successively on  $\tilde{S}_r$  such that  $S$  has no  $(-1)$ -curve. Let  $\tilde{X}$  be the singular fiber of  $\pi_r \circ \psi_r: S_r \rightarrow \Delta$ . By Claim 3.2,  $\psi_r|_{\tilde{X}}: \tilde{X} \rightarrow (\tau_1 \circ \cdots \circ \tau_r)^* \Gamma_0 \simeq X_{[\Phi, \Pi]}$  is a double cover branched along the components corresponding to  $\bigcup \left( \bigcup L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d-1} \right)$  and branched at the points corresponding to  $\mathcal{P}' \cup \{P_{C_i}\}$ . Moreover,  $\psi_r|_{\tilde{X}}^{-1}(\overline{P}_{C_i})$  is a double point of  $\tilde{X}$  and  $\psi_r|_{\tilde{X}}^{-1}(\overline{P}_i)$  is nonsingular point of  $\tilde{X}$ . Thus we see that  $\psi_r|_{\tilde{X}}$  satisfies the same conditions as  $\Pi_{[\Phi]}$  and  $\tilde{X}$  is homeomorphic to  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}$ . Since  $\psi_r^{-1}(\overline{P}_{C_i})$  is a rational double point of type  $A_{n_i-1}$ , the singular fiber of  $\pi_r \circ \psi_r \circ \tilde{r}: \tilde{S}_r \rightarrow \Delta$  is homeomorphic to

$$X_{\left\{ (C_i, n_i)_{i \leq k}, (\overline{C}_j, 2\overline{n}_j)_{j \leq m}, (C'_l, n_l)_{l \leq s}, (I(C'_l), n_l)_{l \leq s} \right\}}$$

because  $\tilde{X}_{[\Phi]}$  is given by (2).

By the proof of Claim 3.2, we see that  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  is a component of  $B_r$  if and only if  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  corresponds to a component of  $\bigcup \left( \bigcup L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d-1} \right)$ . Since the multiplicity of  $\psi_r^*(\overline{Z}_\theta)$  is two when  $\overline{Z}_\theta \subset B_r$ ,  $\psi_r^*(\overline{Z}_\theta)$  is a  $(-1)$ -curve. Moreover, we see that  $\psi_r^*(\overline{Z}_\theta)$  is not a  $(-1)$ -curve when  $\overline{Z}_\theta$  does not correspond to a component of  $\bigcup \left( \bigcup L_{\overline{C}_j, 2d-1} \right)$  by Claim 3.1. Thus, we see that the special fiber of  $\phi: S \rightarrow \Delta$  is homeomorphic to  $X_{[\Phi]}$ . We complete the proof of Theorem 1.1. □

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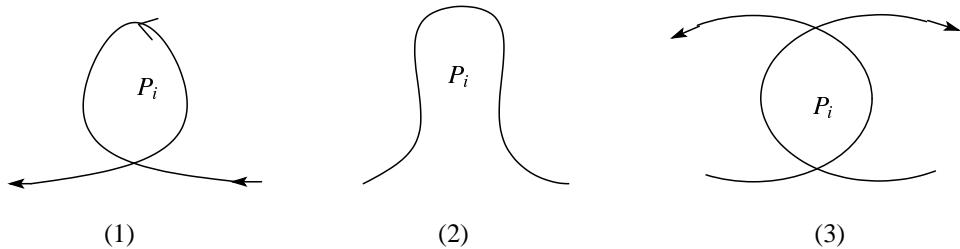


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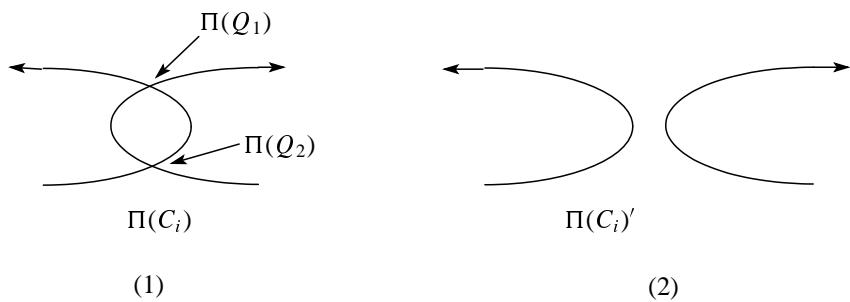


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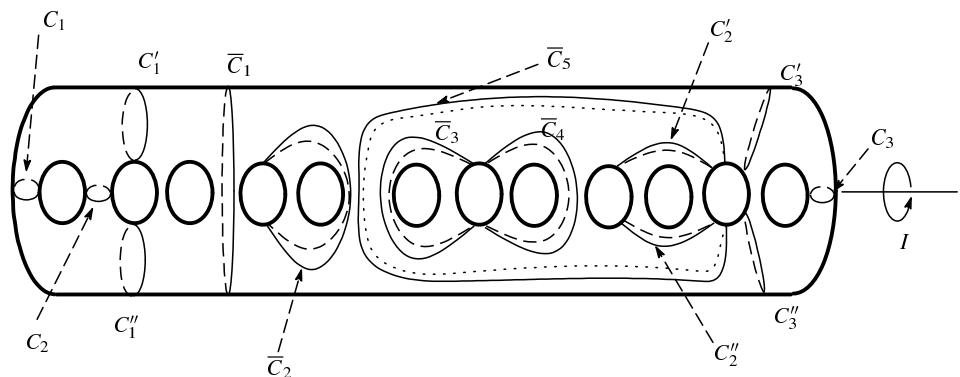


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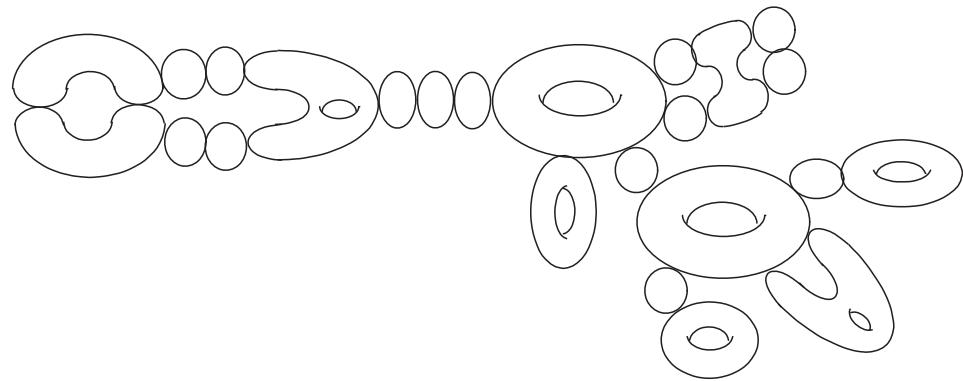


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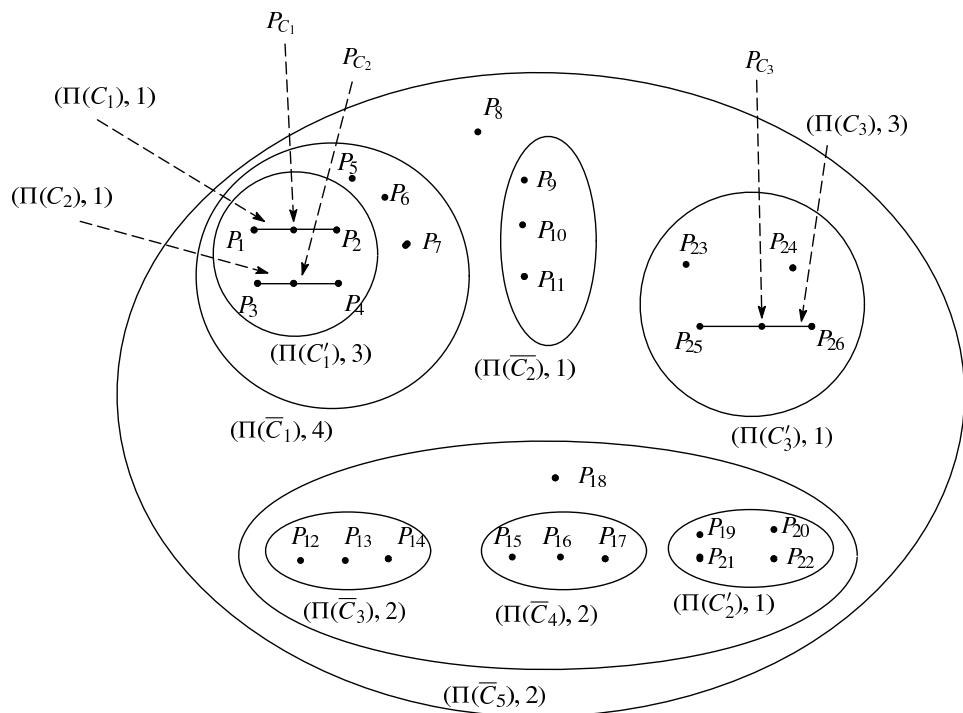


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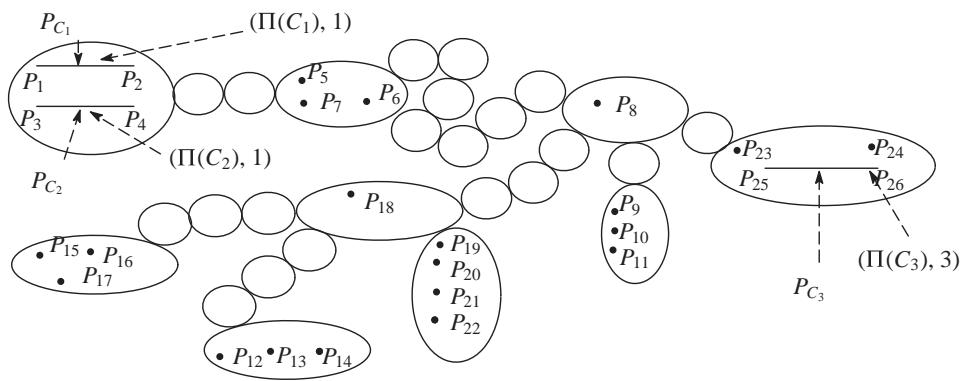


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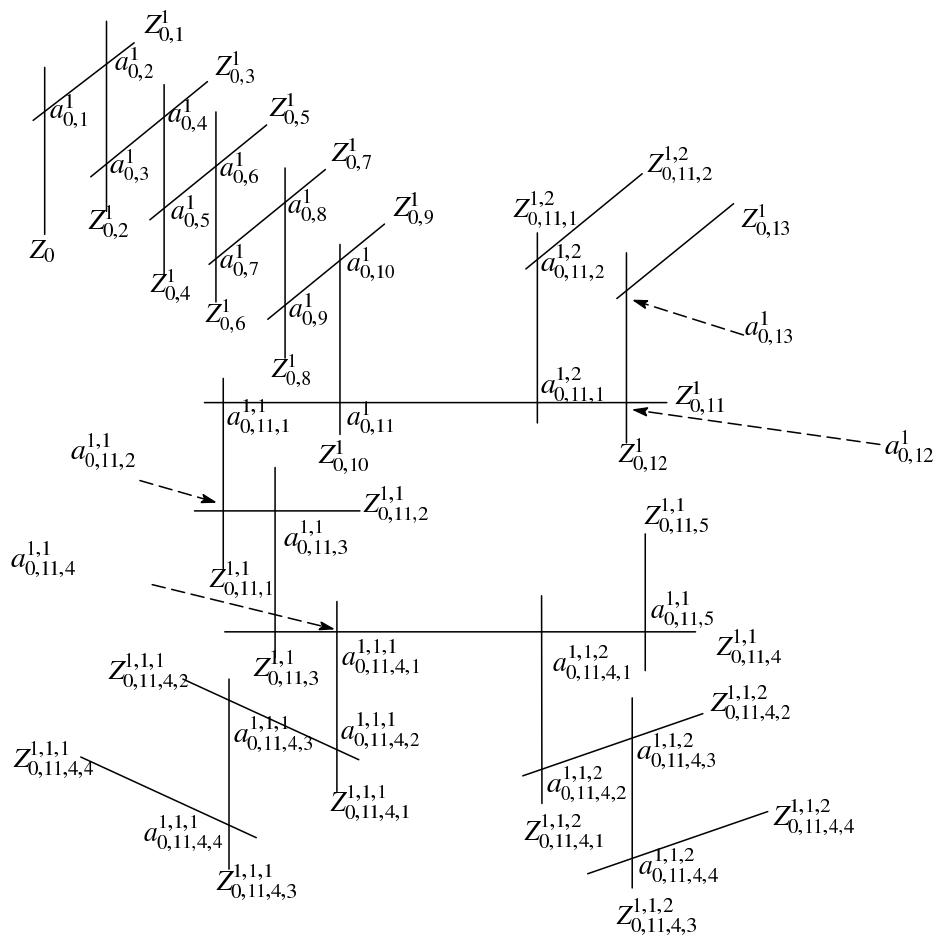


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