# Symmetry, Curves and Monopoles 

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2. $2 \mathbf{U} \in \Lambda \Longleftrightarrow \mathbf{U}=\frac{1}{2 \pi i}\left(\oint_{\mathfrak{b}_{1}} \gamma_{\infty}, \ldots, \oint_{\mathfrak{b}_{g}} \gamma_{\infty}\right)^{T}=\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{n}+\frac{1}{2} \tau \mathbf{m}$.
3. $\exists 1$-cycle $\mathfrak{e s}=\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathfrak{a}+\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathfrak{b}$ s.t. for every holomorphic differential

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\Omega=\frac{\beta_{0} \eta^{n-2}+\beta_{1}(\zeta) \eta^{n-3}+\ldots+\beta_{n-2}(\zeta)}{\frac{\partial \mathcal{P}}{\partial \eta}} d \zeta, \oint_{\mathfrak{e s s}} \Omega=-2 \beta_{0}
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Restricts $\tau: \tau B \tau+\tau A-D \tau-C=0$
Curves with lots of symmetries: evaluate $\tau$ via character theory

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\mathcal{C}: w^{7}=(z-1)(z-\rho)^{2}\left(z-\rho^{2}\right)^{4}, \quad \rho=\exp (2 \pi \mathrm{i} / 3)
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Figure: Homology basis in $(z, w)$ coordinates

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Corollary
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\begin{aligned}
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Figure: Projection of the previous basis

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Figure: A log-log plot of the asymptotic behaviour of $\alpha$ versus $\gamma$




