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Solving the Quintic: A new approach to Bring's transformation

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Abstract: Applying a procedure similar to that of E.S. Bring, by using a 4th degree Tschirnhaus transformation, it was possible to transform the Bring-Jerrard normal **quintic** (BJQ) equation into a De Moivre form (DMQ), so that it could be solved by radicals. The general solution by radicals of the De Moivre equations of any degree is presented. By the same procedure the BJSx (normal **sextic**) equation was taken to another one without the 2nd, 4th and 6th terms which was transformed into a cubic (solvable) equation. By applying a 6th degree Tschirnhaus transformation to the BJSp (normal **septic**) equation its binormal (without the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th terms) form was obtained.

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1. Introduction

So far there have been many unsuccessful attempts to solve the general quintic equation by radicals by mathematicians of all times: E. Tschirnhaus (1651-1708), A. De Moivre (1667-1754), E.S. Bring (1736-1798), L. Euler (1707-1783), G. F. Malfatti (1731-1807), E.B. Jerrard (1804-1863), G. N. Watson (1886-1965), E. S. Dummit (paper, 1991) and many others. However, since Paolo Ruffini (1765-1822), Niels Henrik Abel (1802-1829) and Évariste Galois (1811-1822) wrote about proofs that the general quintic is not solvable by radicals, these attempts, have been greatly reduced. The meaning of the phrase *by radicals* refers to the roots of such equations as functions of the coefficients, obtained them by means of a finite number of algebraic operations. The main objective of this paper is to present an approach to solve quintics by radicals, following Bring's procedure.

In this work we develop the foundations for obtaining the general formulae for solving the De Moivre equations in 2.2. The method used to solve the quintic is described in 2.3. Applications of the method to reduce general equations of degrees 3, 4, 5 to the De Moivre form and solve them by radicals are shown in sections 3.1, 3.2, and 3.3. Sextic is solved in section 3.4. Septic is treated in section 3.5 and four terms were eliminated at once from this equation. Comments and Conclusions are presented in section 4.

2. Foundations and Methods

As is known, a general quintic monic equation $f(z) = z^5 + \sum_1^5 Z_{5-j} z^{5-j} = 0$, can be reduced by sequential Tschirnhaus transformations of the 1st, 2nd and 4th degree, to the Bring-Jerrard normal form, $x^5 + qx + r = 0$. For achieving this, E. S. Bring, in 1786 used a 4th degree transformation whose coefficients were: $c = d + \gamma$, $b = \sigma d + \zeta$ and $a = (3pd+4q)/5$ [1-3], in order to avoid degrees of the auxiliary equations greater than 4.

On the other hand, when it is possible to eliminate inter-sequential terms, *by any transformation that allows it*, of a general monic equation, $z^n + \sum_1^n Z_{n-j} z^{n-j} = 0$, it results:

$$\text{For odd } n: \quad y^n + \sum_{p=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} Y_{n-2p} y^{n-2p} + Y_0 = 0; \quad (1a)$$

$$\text{For even } n: \quad y^n + \sum_{p=1}^{n/2} Y_{n-2p} y^{n-2p} = 0 \quad (1b)$$

and, if the coefficients can respond as: $Y_{n-2p} = (-1)^p C_{n-2p} \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{C_{n-2}}\right)^p = (-1)^p C_{n-2p} \alpha^p$, for $\alpha = \frac{Y_{n-2}}{C_{n-2}}$, the De Moivre equation of odd or even degree, (2) and (3) below, arises:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{For } n \text{ odd: } y^n + \sum_{p=1}^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (-1)^p C_{n-2p} \alpha^p y^{n-2p} - C_0 = 0 \\ \text{For } n \text{ even: } y^n + \sum_{p=1}^{\frac{n}{2}-1} (-1)^p C_{n-2p} \alpha^p y^{n-2p} - C_0 = 0 \end{array} \right\}, \text{ or}$$

$$y^n - C_{n-2} \alpha y^{n-2} + \dots + C_{n-2p} \alpha^p y^{n-2p} - \dots \pm C_{n-2\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)} \alpha^{\frac{n-1}{2}} y - C_0 = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$y^n - C_{n-2} \alpha y^{n-2} + \dots + C_{n-2p} \alpha^p y^{n-2p} - \dots \pm C_{n-2\left(\frac{n-2}{2}\right)} \alpha^{\frac{n-2}{2}} y^2 - C_0 = 0 \tag{3}$$

As will be shown in 2.1, any De Moivre's equation can be solved by radicals.

2.1. Foundations.

In general, a monic equation of degree n , $z^n + \sum_1^n Z_{n-j} z^{n-j} = 0$, reduced to the De Moivre form (2) and (3) can be compared with the expansion of $(u + v)^n$, converted into a De Moivre equation. Such expansion can be represented either by the well-known power of a binomial, or by an identity which has the natural De Moivre structure, i.e.:

$$(u + v)^n \equiv \binom{n}{0} u^n + \binom{n}{1} v u^{n-1} + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1} v^{n-1} u + \binom{n}{n} v^n$$

$$(u + v)^n \equiv C_{n-2}(uv)(u + v)^{n-2} - C_{n-4}(uv)^2(u + v)^{n-4} + \dots + C_0$$

The last identity is constructed by using the sum of symmetric terms within the first identity and completing the factors $(u + v)^i$ with the missing elements. Then, passing all terms to the left-hand side of the equal sign, we convert the identity into an equation. For example:

$$\begin{aligned} (p + q)^3 &= p^3 + 3p^2q + 3pq^2 + q^3 = 3pq(p + q) + p^3 + q^3 \rightarrow (p + q)^3 - 3pq(p + q) - (p^3 + q^3) = 0 \\ (p + q)^4 &= p^4 + 4p^3q + 6p^2q^2 + 4pq^3 + q^4 = 4pq(p^2 + q^2) + 6p^2q^2 + p^4 + q^4 + [4pq(2pq) - 4pq(2pq)] \\ &= 4pq(p + q)^2 + p^4 + q^4 - 2p^2q^2 \rightarrow (p + q)^4 - 4pq(p + q)^2 - (p^2 - q^2)^2 = 0 \\ (p + q)^5 &= p^5 + 5p^4q + 10p^3q^2 + 10p^2q^3 + 5pq^4 + q^5 \\ &= 5pq(p^3 + q^3) + 10p^2q^2(p + q) + p^5 + q^5 + [5pq(3p^2q + 3pq^2) - 5pq(3p^2q + 3pq^2)] \\ &= 5pq(p + q)^3 - 5p^2q^2(p + q) + p^5 + q^5 \rightarrow (p + q)^5 - 5pq(p + q)^3 + 5p^2q^2(p + q) - (p^5 + q^5) = 0 \\ (p + q)^6 &= p^6 + 6p^5q + 15p^4q^2 + 20p^3q^3 + 15p^2q^4 + 6pq^5 + q^6 = 6pq(p^4 + q^4) + 15p^2q^2(p^2 + q^2) + 20p^3q^3 + p^6 + q^6 \\ &+ [6pq(4p^3q + 6p^2q^2 + 4pq^3) - 6pq(4p^3q + 6p^2q^2 + 4pq^3)] + [15p^2q^2(2uv) - 15p^2q^2(2uv)] \\ &+ [2p^3q^3 - 2p^3q^3] \rightarrow (p + q)^6 - 6pq(p + q)^4 + 9p^2q^2(p + q)^2 - (p^3 + q^3)^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

This feature of $(u + v)^n$, of naturally becoming the De Moivre structure, see eq. (4) below, allows us to take it as a model with which to compare equations (2), (3), and solve them using $y = u + v$, $\alpha = uv$, $C_{n-2} = n$ and $C_0 = \beta_n$.

$$(u + v)^n - n(uv)(u + v)^{n-2} + \dots \mp C_{n-2p}(uv)^p(u + v)^{n-2p} \pm \dots - \beta_n = 0 \tag{4}$$

Moreover, and even better, the coefficients C_{n-2p} of equation (4), n even or odd, can be structured as a right triangle, with n rows and p columns ($p = 0, 1, \dots$), see Table 1, where the one-dimensional coefficients C_{n-2p} in eq. (4), when placed in the right triangle, change to a two-dimensional expression $C_{n,p}$. In this way, the coefficients C_{n-2p} can be calculated as diagonal sums in a style similar to that of Pascal's or Tartaglia's triangle. The factors α^p in the terms of (4), and the β_n , are also easily obtained. The following properties of the terms can be visualized as:

- For **odd** $n \geq 5$, absolute values of extreme internal coefficients in (2) are:

$$|C_{n-2}| = \left| C_{n-2, \frac{(n-1)}{2}} \right| = n. \tag{5a}$$

The same definition, expressed in two dimensions, in Table 1 below, becomes:

$$|C_{n,1}| = \left| C_{n, \frac{(n-1)}{2}} \right| = n. \tag{5b}$$

- Filling the far right inside the **even** n lines with the value $\boxed{2}$, or $\boxed{-2}$, helps us to build all the results down. But, such numbers are not real coefficients! They are just filler numbers, to construct diagonal sums (eq. (6) below) in table 1.
- For even $n \geq 4$, the last term occurs for $p = n/2$ and for $n \geq 5$ for $p = (n-1)/2$.
- Results of diagonal sums (including the filler numbers $\boxed{2}$ or $\boxed{-2}$) respond to:

$$|C_{n,p}| = (-1)^p (|C_{(n-2),(p-1)}| + |C_{(n-1),p}|) \tag{6}$$

- If n is odd, $\beta_n = u^n + v^n$. But, if n is even, $\beta_n = (u^{n/2} \pm v^{n/2})^2$, and sign \pm inside β_n is given by, $\pm = (-1)^{(n/2-1)}$. Thus, if we consider n even and $n/2$ odd, sign within β_n is +; but, if $n/2$ is even, sign is -. Check this in Table 1:

$n \downarrow p \rightarrow$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	...	β_n
1	1								$-(u+v)$
2	1	$\boxed{-2}$							$-(u^{2/2} + v^{2/2})^2$
3	1	-3							$-(u^3 + v^3)$
4	1	-4	$\boxed{2}$						$-(u^{4/2} - v^{4/2})^2$
5	1	-5	5						$-(v^5 + u^5)$
6	1	-6	9	$\boxed{-2}$					$-(u^{6/2} + v^{6/2})^2$
7	1	-7	14	-7					$-(u^7 + v^7)$
8	1	-8	20	-16	$\boxed{2}$				$-(u^{8/2} - v^{8/2})^2$
9	1	-9	27	-30	9				$-(u^9 + v^9)$
10	1	-10	35	-50	25	$\boxed{-2}$			$-(u^{10/2} + v^{10/2})^2$
11	1	-11	44	-77	55	-11			$-(u^{11} + v^{11})$
12	1	-12	54	-112	105	-36	$\boxed{2}$		$-(u^{12/2} - v^{12/2})^2$
13	1	-13	65	-156	182	-91	13		$-(u^{13} + v^{13})$

Table 1. Rectangular triangle: the result of diagonal sums of the coefficients is displayed vertically downwards. This rule allows us calculate all the coefficients.

2.2. Solving the general De Moivre Equation by radicals.

Next is obtained the general solution, by radicals, of the De Moivre equation, where, as will be seen, it depends only on α or Y_{n-2} , and β_n or Y_0 . To do so, let us first compare the equation of degree n **odd** (7), in De Moivre's form, with (8), below

$$y^n - Y_{n-2}y^{n-2} + Y_{n-4}y^{n-4} - Y_{n-6}y^{n-6} + \dots \pm Y_1y - Y_0 = 0$$

$$y^n - C_{n-2}\alpha y^{n-2} + C_{n-4}\alpha^2 y^{n-4} - C_{n-6}\alpha^3 y^{n-6} \mp \dots \pm C_{n-2, \frac{(n-1)}{2}} \alpha^{\frac{n-1}{2}} y - C_0 = 0 \tag{7}$$

$$(u+v)^n - n(uv)(u+v)^{n-2} + \dots \mp C_{n-2p}(uv)^p (u+v)^{n-2p} \pm \dots \pm C_{n-2, \frac{(n-1)}{2}} \alpha^{\frac{n-1}{2}} y - \beta_n = 0 \tag{8}$$

Where, for $y = u + v$, $Y_{n-2} = C_{n-2}\alpha = n(uv)$ and $Y_1 = C_1\alpha^{\frac{n-1}{2}} = n\alpha^{\frac{n-1}{2}}$:

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{n-2} = n\alpha & & u = \frac{Y_{n-2}}{nv}, & & Y_{n-2p} = c_{n-2p}\alpha^p = c_{n-2p} \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n} \right)^p \\ \alpha = \frac{Y_{n-2}}{n} = uv & ; & v = \frac{Y_{n-2}}{nu} & ; & Y_0 = C_0 = \beta_n = u^n + v^n \end{aligned}$$

These relationships give rise to auxiliary equations and their solutions:

$$u^{2n} - Y_0 u^n + \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^n = 0 \rightarrow u^n = \frac{Y_0}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0^2 - 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^n} \rightarrow u = \sqrt[n]{\frac{Y_0}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0^2 - 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^n}}$$

$$v^n = Y_0 - u^n \rightarrow v^n = \frac{Y_0}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0^2 - 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^n} \rightarrow v = \sqrt[n]{\frac{Y_0}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0^2 - 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^n}}$$

A basic solution immediately appears, $y_1 = u + v$. The solution **for odd n** arises by multiplying u and v by the unit roots, $\omega_m = e^{j(m\frac{2\pi}{n})}$, giving exactly the necessary n roots, by using $y_k = \omega_{k-1}u + \omega_{n-(k-1)}v$, as follows:

$$y_k = \omega_{k-1} \sqrt[n]{\frac{Y_0}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0^2 - 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^n}} + \omega_{n-(k-1)} \sqrt[n]{\frac{Y_0}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0^2 - 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^n}} \quad (9)$$

For:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= u + v = \omega_0 u + \omega_n v \\ y_2 &= \omega_1 u + \omega_{n-1} v \\ y_3 &= \omega_2 u + \omega_{n-2} v \\ &\vdots \\ y_{n-1} &= \omega_{n-2} u + \omega_2 v \\ y_n &= \omega_{n-1} u + \omega_1 v \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} k &= 1 \dots n \\ m &= 0, 1, \dots, n \\ \omega_0 &= \omega_n = 1 \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Now, comparing the **equation of even degree n**, in (1) or (11), and the De Moivre's form (3), with the binomial form (12), below:

$$y^n - Y_{n-2}y^{n-2} + Y_{n-4}y^{n-4} - \dots \pm Y_{n-2p}y^{n-2p} \mp \dots \pm Y_2y^2 - Y_0 = 0 \quad (11)$$

$$y^n - C_{n-2}\alpha y^{n-2} + \dots \pm C_{n-2p}\alpha^p y^{n-2p} - \dots \pm C_{n-2}\left(\frac{n-2}{2}\right)\alpha^{\frac{(n-2)}{2}}y^2 - C_0 = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$(u + v)^n - n(uv)(u + v)^{n-2} + \dots \pm C_{n-2}\frac{n-2}{2}(uv)^{\frac{n-2}{2}}(u + v)^{n-2\frac{n-2}{2}} - \beta_n = 0 \quad (12)$$

Where: for $v = \frac{Y_{n-2}}{nu}$, $u = \frac{Y_{n-2}}{nv}$, and $Y_0 = C_0 = \beta_n = (u^{n/2} \pm v^{n/2})^2$, two auxiliary equations, become created:

$$C_{n-2} = n; \quad Y_{n-2} = n\alpha; \quad \alpha = uv; \quad Y_{n-2p} = C_{n-2p}\alpha^p; \quad Y_0 = \beta_n = (u^{n/2} \pm v^{n/2})^2$$

$$u^n - \sqrt{Y_0}u^{\frac{n}{2}} \mp \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} = 0 \rightarrow u = \sqrt[n]{\frac{\sqrt{Y_0}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0 \pm 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}}} \quad (13)$$

$$\frac{n}{v^2} = Y_0 - u^{\frac{n}{2}} \rightarrow v^{\frac{n}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{Y_0}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0 \pm 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}} \rightarrow v = \sqrt[n]{\frac{\sqrt{Y_0}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0 \pm 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}}} \quad (14)$$

The basic solution, $y_1 = u + v = \omega_0 u + \omega_n v$, and the others (with the same definitions), $y_k = \omega_{k-1}u + \omega_{n-(k-1)}v$, **for even n**, are:

$$y_k = \omega_{k-1} \sqrt[n]{\frac{\sqrt{Y_0}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0 \pm 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}}} + \omega_{n-(k-1)} \sqrt[n]{\frac{\sqrt{Y_0}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0 \pm 4 \left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}}} \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_1 &= u + v = \omega_0 u + \omega_n v \\
 y_2 &= \omega_1 u + \omega_{n-1} v \\
 y_3 &= \omega_2 u + \omega_{n-2} v \\
 &\vdots \\
 y_{n-1} &= \omega_{n-2} u + \omega_2 v \\
 y_n &= \omega_{n-1} u + \omega_1 v
 \end{aligned}
 \quad \text{for } \omega_m = e^{j\left(\frac{m2\pi}{n}\right)}, \text{ and the sign } \pm \text{ of } 4\left(\frac{Y_{n-2}}{n}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \text{ is } \pm = (-1)^{\left(\frac{n}{2}-1\right)}$$

2.3. Reducing any monic quintic equation to the De Moivre form.

1. First, apply a 1st degree Tschirnhaus transformation (TschT) to the general monic quintic to obtain its reduced form without the 2nd term, $z_5 + \sum_2^5 Z_{5-j} z^{5-j} = 0$; then a 2nd degree TschT to the reduced equation to obtain the principal form without the 1st and 2nd term, $y_5 + \sum_3^5 Y_{5-j} y^{5-j} = 0$; and, apply the Bring's expression of the 4th degree TschT, $y^4 + dy^3 + cy^2 + by + a - x = 0$ to the principal, with coefficients: $c = d + \gamma$, $b = \sigma d + \zeta$, and $a = (3pd + 4q)/5$, to obtain the normal form, $x^5 + qx + r = 0$, also called Bring-Jerrard normal form (BJQ). **The BJQ is required to follow with the next point 2.**
2. Apply **another** TschT of the 4th degree, $x^4 + dx^3 + cx^2 + bx + a - w = 0$, by using the following expressions for the coefficients, $c = d + h + i$, $b = fd + h + j$ and $a = 4q/5$, to the **BJQ** ($x^5 + qx + r = 0$), to obtain the De Moivre Quintic (**DMQ**), $w^5 - W_3 \alpha w^3 + W_1 \alpha^2 w - W_0 = 0$. Notice that by using this new 4th degree TschT, with different coefficients than those used by Bring in the previous 4th degree TschT, we were able to obtain the De Moivre form from the **BJQ** with auxiliary equations for $n < 5$ degree in a simple way.
3. Solve the obtained DMQ equation by comparing it with the quintic binomial power, $(u + v)^5 - 5uv(u + v)^3 + 5u^2v^2(u + v) - (u^5 + v^5) = 0$.
4. And finally, reverse all the transformations and changes made, until returning to the initial equation to determine its original roots. To undo them, it was necessary to obtain the inverse formulas that solved both the Tschirnhaus transformations used and all necessary changes.
5. **Something like this was also applied to the sextic equation.** To become familiar with this method, it is applied in a simple way to equations of degrees 3 and 4, and then its (longer and more laborious) application to the quintic equation is developed.

3. Results

3.1 Solving the Cubic Equation

A first degree Tschirnhaus transformation, $y = x + \frac{b}{3}$, is applied to the general monic equation of the 3rd degree to eliminate the 2nd term. This transforms the resultant directly into the De Moivre cubic structure. A flowchart summarizing this calculation is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) = x^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0 \downarrow & \quad \leftarrow \quad x = -\frac{b}{3} + y \\
 \downarrow \& \quad g(x) = y - \left(x + \frac{b}{3}\right) = 0 \rightarrow \text{Res}[f(x), g(x)] = y^3 - Y_1 y - Y_0 = 0 \rightarrow y_{1,2,3} \uparrow
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure 1. Flowchart showing the steps to solve the Cubic Equation

The expressions of Y_1 and Y_0 , calculated through the Sylvester matrix become:

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} Y_1 &= -\left(c - \frac{1}{3}b^2\right) \\ Y_0 &= -\left(\frac{2}{27}b^3 - \frac{1}{3}bc + d\right) \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{16}$$

$$x_k = -\frac{b}{3} + \omega_{k-1} \sqrt[3]{\frac{Y_0 + \sqrt{Y_0^2 - (\frac{Y_1}{3})^3}}{2}} + \omega_{n-(k-1)} \sqrt[3]{\frac{Y_0 - \sqrt{Y_0^2 - (\frac{Y_1}{3})^3}}{2}} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= -\frac{b}{3} + \omega_0 u + \omega_3 v \\ x_2 &= -\frac{b}{3} + \omega_1 u + \omega_2 v \\ x_3 &= -\frac{b}{3} + \omega_2 u + \omega_1 v \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

As seen, by using the solution for y_k , odd n in (10), and undoing the change to $x = -\frac{b}{3} + y$, we obtain a formula similar to Cardano's [5]:3

3.2 Solving the Quartic Equation

Starting from a reduced quartic without the 2nd term (to simplify, not required), $f(x) = x^4 + cx^2 + dx + e = 0$, we apply a 2nd degree Tschirnhaus transformation, $g(x) = x^2 + px + q - y$, in order to eliminate the 2nd and 4th terms from the resultant and obtain its **De Moivre form (DMF)**, whose general solution is **directly** given by equation (13):

$$f(x) = x^4 + cx^2 + dx + e = 0 \quad \leftarrow \quad x_{1,2} = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 4(q - y_k)}}{2}$$

$$\downarrow \& g(x) = x^2 + px + q - y = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{Res.}} \sum_{j=0}^4 Y_j y^j = 0 \xrightarrow{\substack{Y_3=0 \\ Y_1=0}} y^4 + Y_2 y^2 + Y_0 = 0 \xrightarrow{(13)} y_k \uparrow$$

Figure 2. Flowchart of the steps to solve the Quartic Equation

Observe that undoing the 2nd degree transformation $g(x)$ means that each value of the resultant y , gives rise to two values in x . See some details of this procedure:

$$\text{The resultant of } f(x) \& g(x), \text{ is: } f(y) = y^4 + Y_3 y^3 - Y_2 y^2 + Y_1 y - Y_0 = 0 \quad (18)$$

$$\text{where, } \left\{ \begin{aligned} Y_3 &= c - 2q \\ Y_2 &= -(cp^2 + c^2 + 3dp - 6cq + 6q^2 + 2e) \\ Y_1 &= dp^3 - 2cp^2q + cdp + 4ep^2 - 2c^2q - 6dpq + 6cq^2 - 4q^3 - d^2 + 2ce - 4eq \\ Y_0 &= -(ep^4 - dp^3q + cp^2q^2 + cep^2 - cdpq - 6dpq - 6ep^2q + \dots \\ &\quad \dots + c^2q^2 + 3dpq^2 - 2cq^3 + q^4 - dep + d^2q - 2ceq + 2eq^2 + e^2) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (19)$$

Making $Y_3 = Y_1 = 0$ we obtain, the value $q = c/2$ and three values of p coming from a 3rd degree equation. With Y_2 and Y_0 known we have: $y^4 - Y_2 y^2 - Y_0 = 0$, whose roots, written directly from the general solution (13) for even DMF, are:

$$y_k = \omega_{k-1} u + \omega_{n-(k-1)} v = \omega_{k-1} \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{Y_0} \pm \sqrt{Y_0 + Y_2^2/4}}{2}} + \omega_{n-(k-1)} \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{Y_0} \pm \sqrt{Y_0 - Y_2^2/4}}{2}} \quad \begin{aligned} y_1 &= \omega_0 u + \omega_4 v \\ y_2 &= \omega_1 u + \omega_3 v \\ y_3 &= \omega_2 u + \omega_2 v \\ y_4 &= \omega_3 u + \omega_1 v \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

The roots x_i of $g(x) = x^2 + px + q - y = 0$, become:

$$x_k = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 4(q - y_k)}}{2} = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 4(q - (\omega_{k-1} u + \omega_{n-(k-1)} v))}}{2} \quad (21)$$

$$x_k = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 4 \left[q - \left(\omega_{k-1} \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{Y_0} \pm \sqrt{Y_0 + Y_2^2/4}}{2}} + \omega_{n-(k-1)} \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{Y_0} \pm \sqrt{Y_0 - Y_2^2/4}}{2}} \right) \right]}}{2} \quad (22)$$

This would be a Cardano-style version of the solution of the quartic equation.

However, notice that the De Moivre quartic equation, $y^4 - Y_2 y^2 - Y_0 = 0$, would also admit to be solved in a shorter way, making the change $y^2 = z \rightarrow y = \pm \sqrt{z}$, reducing it

to a quadratic equation, $z^2 - Y_2z - Y_0 = 0$, which would greatly simplify its solution. See this formula not depending on u and v :

$$y = \sqrt{z} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{Y_2 \pm \sqrt{Y_2^2 + 4Y_0}}{2}} \rightarrow x = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 4(q-y)}}{2} = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 4 \left[q \mp \sqrt{\frac{Y_2 \pm \sqrt{Y_2^2 + 4Y_0}}{2}} \right]}}{2} \quad (23)$$

In the first case, or Cardano’s case, six sets of possibilities arise for the four roots of the quartic equation from the three values of p , and in the quadratic three sets arise, but only one is true: the one that returns the original equation, $x^4 + cx^2 + dx + e = 0$; i.e., we have to check simultaneously all the possible solutions to see which one is valid.

3.3 Solving the 5th Degree Equation by radicals

To do this, it is required to transform the **Bring-Jerrard normal quintic equation** (BJQ), $f(x) = x^5 + qx + r = 0$, to the De Moivre form in order to solve it.

To transform the BJQ to the **De Moivre quintic form (DMQ)**, without the 2nd and 4th terms and with the relationship between the 3rd and 5th terms, $(Y_3)^2 = 5Y_1$, we will use a new 4th degree Tschirnhaus transformation, $g(x, y) = x^4 + dx^3 + cx^2 + bx + a - y = 0$, on the BJQ. For this purpose, we had to modify the expressions of the Bring coefficients as new ones: $\mathbf{a} = 4\mathbf{q}/5$, $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{f} \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{g}$ and $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{i}$. This added a new variable, necessary to eliminate Y_2 (instead of Y_3) and thus manage to construct the DMQ. After solving the De Moivre quintic equation obtained, DMQ, in the process of undoing the previous transformation performed to the BJQ, we need the inverse formula that solves that equation, to have the expression of the original variable x . But for that, we will need a new 2nd degree transformation $G(x, z) = x^2 + mx + n - z = 0$, on $g(x, y_k)$ to transform its resultant, $R_2(z(y_k)) = z^4 + \sum_1^4 Z_{4-j} z^{4-j} = 0$, by making $Z_3 = Z_1 = 0$ into a 4th degree De Moivre form, $z^4 + Z_2 z^2 + Z_0 = 0$. Notice that, the four roots z_i of it, will come out using the five roots y_k of the first resultant of the solved 5th degree De Moivre equation. Thus, the inverse formula of $G(x, z)$, $x = G^{-1}(z_i(y_k)) = -\frac{m}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{m^2 - 4(n - z_i(y_k))}}{2}$, gives us two roots for x . Then in sum, these two values of $x(z_i(y_k))$, depend on the four values of $z(y_k)$. But, only one value of x (depending on y_k) out of the possible ones, $4 \times 2 = 8$, shall satisfy the original BJQ, $f(x) = x^5 + qx + r = 0$. The values of $\mathbf{m}(y_k)$ and $\mathbf{n}(y_k)$ which satisfy the BJQ will be chosen. Although we will go deeper into this process, the changes made and undone for solving the BJQ are summarized as follows:

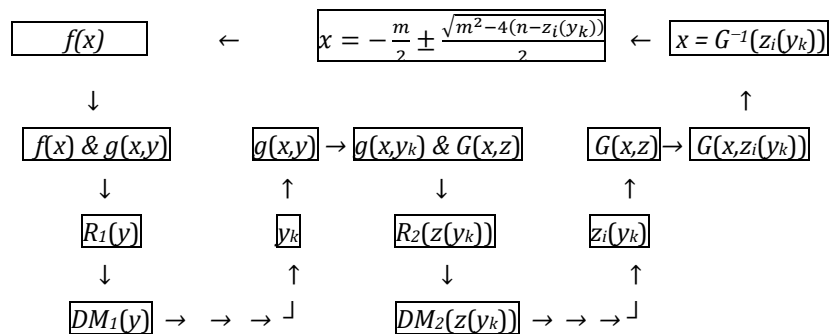


Figure 3. Flowchart of the steps to solve the Bring-Jerrard Normal Quintic Equation (BJQ)

Next are some details of this procedure by using the free open-source mathematics software system Sagemath (<https://www.sagemath.org/>). Let us start performing the 4th degree transformation ($g(x,y)$) on the BJQ equation ($f(x)$) to obtain its resultant.

var('a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k,l,x,y,p,q,r,s,t,u,v,T,K,L,M,N')

$$\begin{aligned}cb &= x^5 + q^*x + r \\ \text{res} &= \text{cb.resultant}(-y + x^4 + d^*x^3 + c^*x^2 + b^*x + a, x). \text{poly}(y)\end{aligned}$$

As said, the modified Bring expressions of the coefficients c , b and a , present in the 4th degree transformation applied to the BJQ, reduced the order of auxiliary equations to degrees less than 5, and, allowed us to obtain the desired expression of the DMQ:

$$c = d + h + i, \quad b = f^*d + h + g, \quad a = 4^*q/5 \quad (24)$$

(Recall that coefficients used by E. S. Bring in his original 4th degree transformation on the principal form to obtain the BJQ were: $c = d + \gamma$, $b = \sigma d + \zeta$ and $a = (3pd + 4q)/5$).

The resultant equation, for $Y_4 = 0$ by doing $a = 4q/5$, can be written as: $R_1(y) = y^5 + \sum_2^5 Y_{5-j}y^{5-j} = y^5 + Y_3y^3 + Y_2y^2 + Y_1y + Y_0 = 0$, where:

$$\begin{aligned}Y_3 &= 1/5(5d^2(2q + 5r) + 20dgq + 40dhq + 10h^2q + 20diq + 20hiq + 10i^2q \\ &\quad + 25dhr + 25dir + 5(4d^2q + 5dr)f - 2q^2 + 25gr + 25hr) \\ Y_2 &= -1/25(25d^3f^2(4q + 5r) + 100d^2f^2hq + 100d^2f^2iq + 200d^2fgq + 200d^2fhq \\ &\quad + 200dfghq + 200dfh^2q + 200dfgiq + 200dfhiq - 100d^2hq^2 \\ &\quad - 100d^2iq^2 + 250d^2fgr + 500d^2fhr + 125dfh^2r + 250h^2fir \\ &\quad + 250dfhir + 125dfi^2r - 25(4q^2 + 3qr)d^3 + 100dg^2q + 200dghq \\ &\quad + 100g^2hq + 100dh^2q + 200gh^2q + 100h^3q + 100g^2iq + 200ghiq \\ &\quad + 100h^2iq - 40dgq^2 - 80dhq^2 - 20h^2q^2 - 40diq^2 - 40hiq^2 \\ &\quad - 20i^2q^2 + 125d^2gr + 125dg^2r + 125d^2hr + 500dghr + 375dh^2r \\ &\quad + 125gh^2r + 125h^3r + 250dgir + 250dhir + 250ghir + 250h^2ir \\ &\quad + 125gi^2r + 125hi^2r - 250dhqr - 250diqr - 5(4q^2 + 50qr \\ &\quad + 25r^2)d^2 - 4q^3 - 25gqr - 25hqr - 125dr^2 - 125hr^2 - 125ir^2 \\ &\quad - 5(8d^2q^2 - 25d^3r + 5dqr)f) \\ Y_1 &= d^4f^4q + 43d^4f^3gq + 4d^3f^3hq + 2d^4f^2q^2 + 5d^4ff^3r + 5d^3f^3hr + 5d^3f^3ir \\ &\quad + 6d^2f^2g^2q + 12d^2f^2ghq + 6d^2f^2h^2q - 4d^4fq^2 - 12/5d^3f^2q^2 \\ &\quad + 4d^3fgq^2 - 4d^3fhq^2 - 12/5d^2f^2hq^2 - 4d^2fh^2q^2 - 8d^3fiq^2 \\ &\quad - 12/5d^2f^2iq^2 - 8d^2fhiq^2 - 4d^2fi^2q^2 + d^4q^3 + 15d^3f^2gr \\ &\quad + 15d^3f^2hr + 15d^2f^2ghr + 15d^2f^2h^2r + 15d^2f^2gir + 15d^2f^2hir \\ &\quad - 7d^4fqr + 5d^3f^2qr - 7d^3fhqr - 7d^3fiqr - 5d^4fr^2 + 4dfg^3q \\ &\quad + 12dfg^2hq + 12dfgh^2q + 4dfh^3q + d^4q^2 - 4d^3gq^2 \\ &\quad - 24/5d^2fgq^2 + 2d^2g^2q^2 - 24/5d^2fhq^2 \\ &\quad - 4d^2ghq^2 - 24/5dfghq^2 - 24/5dfh^2q^2 - 4dgh^2q^2 + h^4q^2 + \\ &\quad 4d^3iq^2 - 8d^2giq^2 - 24/5dfgiq^2 + 4d^2hiq^2 - 24/5dfhiq^2 - \\ &\quad 8dghiq^2 + 4dh^2iq^2 + 4h^3iq^2 + 6d^2i^2q^2 - 4dgi^2q^2 + 8dhi^2q^2 + \\ &\quad 6h^2i^2q^2 + 4di^3q^2 + 4hi^3q^2 + i^4q^2 + 12/5d^3q^3 - 28/25d^2fq^3 + \\ &\quad 12/5d^2hq^3 + 12/5d^2iq^3 + 15d^2fg^2r + 30d^2fghr + 15dfg^2hr + \\ &\quad 15d^2fh^2r + 30dfgh^2r + 15dfh^3r + 15dfg^2ir + 30dfghir + \\ &\quad 15dfh^2ir + d^4qr - 5d^3fqr - gqr + 10d^2fgqr - 4d^3hqr - \\ &\quad 7d^2ghqr - 4d^2h^2qr - 5dfh^2qr + dh^3qr + 3d^3iqr - 10d^2fiqr - \\ &\quad 7d^2giqr - d^2hiqr - 10dfhiqr + 3dh^2iqr + 3d^2i^2qr - 5dfi^2qr + \\ &\quad 3dhh^2qr + di^3qr + 29/5d^3q^2r + 5d^4r^2 - 5d^3fr^2 + 5d^2f^2r^2 - \\ &\quad 5d^3gr^2 + 5d^3hr^2 - 5d^2fhr^2 + 5d^2h^2r^2 + 10d^3ir^2 - 5d^2fir^2 +\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& 10d^2hir^2 + 5d^2i^2r^2 + g^4q + 4g^3hq + 6g^2h^2q + 4gh^3q + h^4q - \\
& 12/5dg^2q^2 - 24/5dghq^2 - 12/5g^2hq^2 - 12/5dh^2q^2 - 24/ \\
& 5gh^2q^2 - 12/5h^3q^2 - 12/5g^2iq^2 - 24/5ghiq^2 - 12/5h^2iq^2 - \\
& 14/25d^2q^3 - 28/25dghq^3 - 56/25dhq^3 - 14/25h^2q^3 - 28/ \\
& 25diq^3 - 28/25hiq^3 - 14/25i^3q^3 + 5dg^3r + 15dg^2hr + 5g^3hr + \\
& 15dgh^2r + 15g^2h^2r + 5dh^3r + 15gh^3r + 5h^4r + 5g^3ir + \\
& 15g^2hir + 15gh^2ir + 5h^3ir - 5d^2gqr + 5dg^2qr - 5d^2hqr - \\
& 5dh^2qr - 5gh^2qr - 5h^3qr - 10dgiqr - 10dhiqr - 10ghiqr - \\
& 10h^2iqr - 5gi^2qr - 5hi^2qr + 17/5d^2q^2r - dfq^2r + 17/5dhq^2r + \\
& 17/5diq^2r - 5d^3r^2 - 5d^2gr^2 + 10dfgr^2 - 20d^2hr^2 + 10dfhr^2 - \\
& 5dghr^2 - 20dh^2r^2 - 5h^3r^2 - 15d^2ir^2 - 5dgir^2 - 35dhir^2 - \\
& 15h^2ir^2 - 15di^2r^2 - 15hi^2r^2 - 5i^3r^2 + 9d^2qr^2 - 3/125q^4 - \\
& gq^2r - hq^2r + 5g^2r^2 + 10ghr^2 + 5h^2r^2 + 2dqr^2 + 2hqr^2 + \\
& 2iqr^2 + 5dr^3
\end{aligned}$$

The other factor Y_0 will not be needed for now. As next step we will expand the coefficient Y_2 in factors of the variable d , to obtain:

$$Y_2 = D_3d^3 + D_2d^2 + D_1d + D_0 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad (D_3 = D_2 = D_1 = D_0 = 0) \quad (25)$$

$$D_3 = -(4f^2q + 5f^2r - 4q^2 + 5fr - 3qr)$$

$$D_2 = -1/5(20f^2hq + 20f^2iq + 40fgq + 40fhq - 8fq^2 - 20hq^2 - 20iq^2 + 50fgr + 100fhr + 50fir - 4q^2 + 25gr + 25hr - 50qr - 25r^2)$$

$$D_1 = -1/5(40fghq + 40fh^2q + 40fgiq + 40fhiq + 25fh^2r + 50fhir + 25fi^2r + 20g^2q + 40ghq + 20h^2q - 8gq^2 - 16hq^2 - 8iq^2 + 25g^2r + 100ghr + 75h^2r + 50gir + 50hir - 5fqr - 50hqr - 50iqr - 25r^2)$$

$$D_0 = -8fghq - 8fh^2q - 8fgiq - 8fhiq - 5fh^2r - 10fhir - 5fi^2r - 4g^2 - 8ghq - 4h^2q + 8/5gq^2 + 16/5hq^2 + 8/5iq^2 - 5g^2r - 20ghr - 15h^2r - 10gir - 10hir + fqr + 10hqr + 10iqr + 5r^2$$

The Sagemath command, to solve equations used to obtain the values of f , g , h and i , is:

$$\text{solve}(D3==0,f) \\ f = -1/2(5r \pm \text{sqrt}(64q^3 + 128q^2r + 5(12q + 5)r^2))/(4q + 5r),$$

Notice that any of the two solutions of the variable f is a number, since f depends only on the known coefficients q and r . From now on, we will refer to f as another known constant number, in addition to q and r .

$$\text{solve}(D2==0,g) \\ g = 1/5(4(2f + 5h + 5i + 1)q^2 - 20(f^2i + (f^2 + 2f)h)q - 25((4f + 1)h + 2fi - 2q)r + 25r^2)/(8fq + 5(2f + 1)r)$$

Note that in this result, the variable g becomes linearly dependent (first-degree) on the unknown variables h and i . A simplified expression of g could be then: $g = Ph + Qi + R$ where P , Q and R become numerical factors. Substituting the not simplified g , namely, the original g , into the expression of D_1 , we obtain a function dependent on h and i . Let's call it D1H. Putting D1H as an equation in h , equal to zero, results in a 2nd degree equation. Solving it we obtain h :

solve(D1H==0,h)

$$\begin{aligned}
 h = & -1/5(960f^4iq^3 - 64(5i + 1)q^5 - 64(4f^3 + 10f^2i - 3f^2)q^4 - 125(5(4f^3 \\
 & - 3f)i - (16f^2 + 16f - 5)q + 4q^2)r^3 - 625r^4 + 200(15f^2iq \\
 & + (13f^2 + 5f - 5i)q^2 - 7q^3)r^2 - 80(5(i + 2)q^4 - 15(f^4 \\
 & + 2f^3)iq^2 + (4f^3 - 10f^2 + 10(f^2 + f)i - 3f)q^3)r \pm \text{sqrt}(512(f^2 \\
 & + f - 1)q^7 + 256q^8 + 256(f^4 - 6f^3 + 3f^2)q^6 - 15625(f \\
 & - 1)r^6 + 3125(20f^3 - 2(8f - 5)q - 15f)r^5 + 625((76f^2 + 40f \\
 & + 65)q^2 - 40q^3 + 5(4f^4 - 27f^2)q)r^4 + 15000((6f^2 + 5f)q^3 \\
 & - 4q^4 - (2f^4 + 5f^3)q^2)r^3 + 400((13f - 88)q^5 - 3(6f^3 - 50f^2 \\
 & - 9f)q^4 - 15(f^5 + 6f^4)q^3)r^2 - 320(15f^5q^4 - (25f - 28) \\
 & + q^6 + (14f^3 - 24f^2 - 3f)q^5)r(8fq + 5(2f + 1)r))/(192f^4q^3 \\
 & - 128f^2q^4 - 64q^5 - 125(4f^3 - 3f)r^3 + 200(3f^2q - q^2)r^2 \\
 & - 80(2(f^2 + f)q^3 + q^4 - 3(f^4 + 2f^3)q^2)r),
 \end{aligned}$$

Notice that obtained roots, h_1 and h_2 , both **depend linearly** (first-degree) on i , since **the expression inside the square root** present in each h_i depends only on the known numbers f , q and r . This quadratic result of h could be then simplified to a linear expression something like: $h = S + T*i \pm U$, with numerical values for S , T and U .

The character of this 2nd degree equation, of giving roots **linearly** dependent on the variable i causes that, instead of being 6 the final degree, $2 \times 3 = 6$, becomes $1 \times 3 = 3 < 5$. This crucial and *unexpected* feature determines the resolution of the quintic, punching a hole in the Ruffini, Abel and Galois theorems on the impossibility of solving it. Let us check it:

Substituting the chosen value of h in the unknown g ; and then h and g in D_0 , we obtain a function D0I (**dependent only on i**). Making D0I equal to zero, we obtain a **3rd degree** solvable equation. We solve it and have its three roots in numerical form. We shall choose that i that returns the original Bring equation.

Substituting now the numerical value of i , in g and in h , we would have completed the numerical values of f , g , h and i , thus eliminating Y_2 . Next, these numerical values of f , g , h and i are entered into the expressions of a , b and c in Y_3 , Y_1 and Y_0 .

At this time, it only remains to ensure that the relation $(Y_3)^2 = 5Y_1$ is satisfied, which depends only on the variable d (the only remaining unknown). Expressing it as an equation, $(Y_3)^2 - 5Y_1 = 0$, we obtain a 4th degree equation in d . We solve it and choose that root out of the four, d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4 , satisfying the relation $(Y_3)^2 = 5Y_1$, that gives us back the original Bring equation, $x^5 + qx + r = 0$. Thus, with $Y_4 = Y_2 = 0$, the resultant $R_1(y)$ is transformed into another equation with the De Moivre structure, $y^5 + Y_3y^3 + Y_1y + Y_0 = 0$, with all its coefficients *already known*, meeting the relation $(Y_3)^2 = 5Y_1$, and solvable through the general formula shown in equation (10), for quintics. Let's write it:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_k = \omega_{k-1} \sqrt[5]{\frac{Y_0}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0^2 + 4 \left(\frac{Y_3}{5}\right)^5}} + \omega_{n-(k-1)} \sqrt[5]{\frac{Y_0}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{Y_0^2 + 4 \left(\frac{Y_3}{5}\right)^5}} & \quad \begin{aligned} y_1 &= \omega_0 u + \omega_5 v \\ y_2 &= \omega_1 u + \omega_4 v \\ y_3 &= \omega_2 u + \omega_3 v \\ y_4 &= \omega_3 u + \omega_2 v \\ y_5 &= \omega_4 u + \omega_1 v \end{aligned} \quad (26)
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have succeeded in transforming any BJQ (and hence to any general quintic equation) to the radically soluble De Moivre form, fulfilling our main goal of demonstrating that any quintic is radically soluble.

Next, we need to undo, first, the 4th degree transformation, $g(x) = x^4 + dx^3 + cx^2 + bx + a - y = 0$, applied to the Bring equation $x^5 + qx + r = 0$, up to the original roots $x(y_k)$ of the quintic, depending on the five roots $y_k = \omega_{k-1}u + \omega_{(n-k-1)}v$. Although simple, it is a long process and involves obtaining the inverse formula of

$g(x)$. To do so, $g(x)$ must be transformed also into a De Moivre quartic by a 2nd degree transformation, $G(x, z) = x^2 + mx + n - z = 0$. Let's see:

$$g(x, y_k) = x^4 + dx^3 + cx^2 + bx + a - y_k = 0 \quad \& \quad G(x, z) = x^2 + mx + n - z = 0 \quad \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\dots \rightarrow R_2(z(y_k)) = z^4 + \sum_1^4 Z_{4-j} z^{4-j} = 0 \xrightarrow{Z_3=Z_1=0} DM_2(z(y_k)) = z^4 + Z_2 z^2 + Z_0 = 0.$$

Figure 4. Flowchart of the steps to solve the quartic transformation for solving the Quintic

Where, m, n, Z_2 and Z_0 (by making $Z_3 = 0 = Z_1$) become known as function of the roots y_k . Moreover, by making a new change $w = z^2 \rightarrow z = \sqrt{w}$, a simpler equation, $w^2 + Z_2 w + Z_0 = 0$, is obtained. Thus, four roots for $z(y_k)$ arise ($2 \times 2 = 4$). This means that undoing up to x , using all possible values of variables $f_{12}, g_1, h_{12}, i_{123}, d_{1234}, m_{123}, n_1, w_{12}, z_{12}$, and x_{12} requires many simultaneous calculations, only one satisfying the original Bring equation, $x^5 + qx + r = 0$.

var('a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k,l,m,n,x,y,z,p,q,r,s,t,u,v,T,K,L,M,N')

cb = x^4 + d*x^3 + c*x^2 + b*x + a - y

res = cb.resultant(x^2 + m*x + (-d^2 + d*m + 2*c)/4 - z, x).poly(z)

The resultant with $Z_3 = 0$, for $n = -d^2 + dm + 2c/4$, is: $z^4 + Z_2 z^2 + Z_1 z + Z_0 = 0$:

$$Z_2 = 1/8(3d^4 - 6d^3m + 3d^2m^2 - 12cd^2 + 20cdm - 8cm^2 + 4c^2 + 16bd - 24bm - 16a + 16y)$$

$$Z_1 = -1/8(d^6 - 6cd^4 + 8bd^3 - (d^3 - 4cd + 8b)m^3 - 16bcd + 8(c^2 + y)d^2 - 8ad^2 + (3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)m^2 + 8b^2 - (3d^5 - 16cd^3 + 20bd^2 - 16bc + 16(c^2 + 2y)d - 32ad)m)$$

$$Z_0 = -3/256d^8 + 3/64d^7m - 9/128d^6m^2 + 3/64d^5m^3 + 3/32cd^6 - 11/32cd^5m + 15/32cd^4m^2 - 9/32cd^3m^3 + 11/16c^2d^3m + 7/16bd^4m - 23/32c^2d^2m^2 - 3/4bd^3m^2 + 1/4c^2dm^3 + 11/16bd^2m^3 + 1/8c^3d^2 - 3/8c^3dm - bcd^2m - ad^3m + 1/4c^3m^2 + bcdm^2 + 15/8ad^2m^2 - 1/2bcm^3 - 2adm^3 - 1/256(3d^4 - 16cd^2 + 64bd - 256a + 256y)m^4 - 1/8d^4y + d^3my - 15/8d^2m^2y + 2dm^3y + 1/16c^4 + 1/4bc^2m + 1/4b^2dm + 3/2acdm - acm^2 - 3/2cdmy + cm^2y - 1/4(d^2 - 2c)b^2 - 1/32(7d^4 + 16a - 16y)c^2 - abm + bmy + 1/8(d^4 - 16y)a + a^2 - 1/8(d^5 - 4cd^3 + 4c^2d)b + y^2$$

Making $Z_1 = 0$, we obtain a 3rd degree equation in m . This value depends on y_k .

$$m = -1/3(1/2)^{(2/3)}(-\text{Isqrt}(3) + 1)((3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)^2 / (d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^2 - 3(3d^5 - 16cd^3 + 16c^2d + 4(5d^2 - 4c)b - 32ad + 32dy) / (d^3 - 4cd + 8b)) /$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& (2(3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)^3/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^3 \\
& - 9(3d^5 - 16cd^3 + 16c^2d + 4(5d^2 - 4c)b - 32ad + 32dy)(3d^4 \\
& - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^2 + 27(d^6 - 6cd^4 \\
& + 8c^2d^2 - 8ad^2 + 8d^2y + 8(d^3 - 2cd)b + 8b^2)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b) \\
& + 72\sqrt{9a^2d^4 + 4/3b^2c^3 - 16/3ac^4 + 9b^4 - 48ab^2c + 128/3a^2c^2} \\
& + 2/3(2b^3 - 9abc)d^3 - 256/3a^3 - 1/3(b^2c^2 - 4ac^3 - 6ab^2 + 144a^2c)d^2 \\
& + 1/3(27d^4 - 144cd^2 + 128c^2 + 192bd - 768a)y^2 + 256/3y^3 \\
& - 2/3(9b^3c - 40abc^2 - 96a^2b)d + 2/3(9bcd^3 - 27ad^4 + 8c^4 + 72b^2c \\
& - 128ac^2 - (2c^3 + 3b^2 - 144ac)d^2 + 384a^2 - 8(5bc^2 + 24ab)d)y)/(d^3 \\
& - 4cd + 8b))^{(1/3)} - 1/6(1/2)^{(1/3)}(Isqrt(3) + 1) \\
& + (2(3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)^3/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^3 \\
& - 9(3d^5 - 16cd^3 + 16c^2d + 4(5d^2 - 4c)b - 32ad + 32dy)(3d^4 \\
& - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^2 + 27(d^6 \\
& - 6cd^4 + 8c^2d^2 - 8ad^2 + 8d^2y + 8(d^3 - 2cd)b + 8b^2)/(d^3 - 4cd \\
& + 8b) + 72\sqrt{9a^2d^4 + 4/3b^2c^3 - 16/3ac^4 + 9b^4 - 48ab^2c} \\
& + 128/3a^2c^2 + 2/3(2b^3 - 9abc)d^3 - 256/3a^3 - 1/3(b^2c^2 - 4ac^3 \\
& - 6ab^2 + 144a^2c)d^2 + 1/3(27d^4 - 144cd^2 + 128c^2 + 192bd \\
& - 768a)y^2 + 256/3y^3 - 2/3(9b^3c - 40abc^2 - 96a^2b)d + 2/3(9bcd^3 \\
& - 27ad^4 + 8c^4 + 72b^2c - 128ac^2 - (2c^3 + 3b^2 - 144ac)d^2 + 384a^2 \\
& - 8(5bc^2 + 24ab)d)y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b))^{(1/3)} + 1/3(3d^4 - 14cd^2 \\
& + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b), \\
m = & -1/3(1/2)^{(2/3)}(Isqrt(3) \\
& + 1)((3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)^2/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^2 \\
& - 3(3d^5 - 16cd^3 + 16c^2d + 4(5d^2 - 4c)b - 32ad + 32dy)/(d^3 - 4cd \\
& + 8b)) \\
& /((2(3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)^3/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^3 - 9(3d^5 \\
& - 16cd^3 + 16c^2d + 4(5d^2 - 4c)b - 32ad + 32dy)(3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 \\
& + 20bd - 32a + 32y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^2 + 27(d^6 - 6cd^4 + 8c^2d^2 \\
& - 8ad^2 + 8d^2y + 8(d^3 - 2cd)b + 8b^2)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b) \\
& + 72\sqrt{9a^2d^4 + 4/3b^2c^3 - 16/3ac^4 + 9b^4 - 48ab^2c + 128/3a^2c^2} \\
& + 2/3(2b^3 - 9abc)d^3 - 256/3a^3 - 1/3(b^2c^2 - 4ac^3 - 6ab^2 + 144a^2c)d^2 \\
& + 1/3(27d^4 - 144cd^2 + 128c^2 + 192bd - 768a)y^2 + 256/3y^3 \\
& - 2/3(9b^3c - 40abc^2 - 96a^2b)d + 2/3(9bcd^3 - 27ad^4 + 8c^4 + 72b^2c \\
& - 128ac^2 - (2c^3 + 3b^2 - 144ac)d^2 + 384a^2 - 8(5bc^2 + 24ab)d)y)/(d^3 \\
& - 4cd + 8b))^{(1/3)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -1/6(1/2)^{\frac{1}{3}}(\text{Isqrt}(3)) \\
& + 1)(2(3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)^3/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^3 \\
& - 9(3d^5 - 16cd^3 + 16c^2d + 4(5d^2 - 4c)b - 32ad + 32dy)(3d^4 \\
& - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^2 + 27(d^6 \\
& - 6cd^4 + 8c^2d^2 - 8ad^2 + 8d^2y + 8(d^3 - 2cd)b + 8b^2)/(d^3 - 4cd \\
& + 8b) + 72\text{sqrt}(9a^2d^4 + 4/3b^2c^3 - 16/3ac^4 + 9b^4 - 48ab^2c \\
& + 128/3a^2c^2 + 2/3(2b^3 - 9abc)d^3 - 256/3a^3 - 1/3(b^2c^2 - 4ac^3 \\
& - 6ab^2 + 144a^2c)d^2 + 1/3(27d^4 - 144cd^2 + 128c^2 + 192bd \\
& - 768a)y^2 + 256/3y^3 - 2/3(9b^3c - 40abc^2 - 96a^2b)d + 2/3(9bcd^3 \\
& - 27ad^4 + 8c^4 + 72b^2c - 128ac^2 - (2c^3 + 3b^2 - 144ac)d^2 + 384a^2 \\
& - 8(5bc^2 + 24ab)d)y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b))^{(1/3)} + 1/3(3d^4 - 14cd^2 \\
& + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b), \\
m = & 2/3(1/2)^{\frac{2}{3}}((3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)^2/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^2 \\
& - 3(3d^5 - 16cd^3 + 16c^2d + 4(5d^2 - 4c)b - +32ad + 32dy)/(d^3 \\
& - 4cd + 8b))/ \\
& (2(3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)^3/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^3 \\
& - 9(3d^5 - 16cd^3 + 16c^2d + 4(5d^2 - 4c)b - 32ad + 32dy)(3d^4 \\
& - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^2 + 27(d^6 \\
& - 6cd^4 + 8c^2d^2c - 8ad^2 + 8d^2y + 8(d^3 - 2cd)b + 8b^2)/(d^3 - 4cd \\
& + 8b) + 72\text{sqrt}(9a^2d^4 + 4/3b^2c^3 - 16/3ac^4 + 9b^4 - 48ab^2c \\
& + 128/3a^2c^2 + 2/3(2b^3 - 9abc)d^3 - 256/3a^3 - 1/3(b^2c^2 - 4ac^3 - 6ab^2 \\
& + 144a^2c)d^2 + 1/3(27d^4 - 144cd^2 + 128c^2 + 192bd - 768a)y^2 \\
& + 256/3y^3 - 2/3(9b^3c - 40abc^2 - 96a^2b)d + 2/3(9bcd^3 - 27ad^4 + 8c^4 \\
& + 72b^2c - 128ac^2 - (2c^3 + 3b^2 - 144ac)d^2 + 384a^2 - 8(5bc^2 \\
& + 24ab)d)y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b))^{(1/3)} + 1/3(1/2)^{(1/3)} \\
& (2(3d^4 - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)^3/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^3 \\
& - 9(3d^5 - 16cd^3 + 16c^2d + 4(5d^2 - 4c)b - 32ad + 32dy)(3d^4 \\
& - 14cd^2 + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)^2 + 27(d^6 \\
& - 6cd^4 + 8c^2d^2 - 8ad^2 + 8d^2y + 8(d^3 - 2cd)b + 8b^2)/(d^3 - 4cd \\
& + 8b) + 72\text{sqrt}(9a^2d^4 + 4/3b^2c^3 - 16/3ac^4 + 9b^4 - 48ab^2c \\
& + 128/3a^2c^2 + 2/3(2b^3 - 9abc)d^3 - 256/3a^3 - 1/3(b^2c^2 - 4ac^3 \\
& - 6ab^2 + 144a^2c)d^2 + 1/3(27d^4 - 144cd^2 + 128c^2 + 192bd \\
& - 768a)y^2 + 256/3y^3 - 2/3(9b^3c - 40abc^2 - 96a^2b)d + 2/3(9bcd^3 \\
& - 27ad^4 + 8c^4 + 72b^2c - 128ac^2 - (2c^3 + 3b^2 - 144ac)d^2 + 384a^2 \\
& - 8(5bc^2 + 24ab)d)y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b))^{(1/3)} + 1/3(3d^4 - 14cd^2 \\
& + 8c^2 + 20bd - 32a + 32y)/(d^3 - 4cd + 8b)
\end{aligned}$$

In this way, after solving $z^4 + Z_2z^2 + Z_0 = 0$, with their roots as function of $m(y_k)$ and $n(m(y_k))$, namely $z = z(y_k)$, the undo process can be initiated. Starting from this equation and undoing its Tschirnhaus transformation to the original variable x , we have:

$$z^4 + Z_2z^2 + Z_0 = 0 \rightarrow z = \pm \sqrt{\frac{-Z_2 \pm \sqrt{(Z_2)^2 - 4(Z_0)}}{2}} \rightarrow x = \frac{-m \pm \sqrt{m^2 - 4(n-z)}}{2} \quad (27)$$

where, Z_2 and Z_0 depend on $m(y)$ and y (for $y = y_k$):

$$\begin{aligned}
 Z_2 &= -1/8(3d^4 - 12cd^2 + (3d^2 - 8c)m^2 + 4c^2 + 16bd - 2(3d^3 - 10cd \\
 &\quad + 12b)m - 16a + 16y) \\
 Z_0 &= -3/256d^8 + 3/32cd^6 - 7/32c^2d^4 + 1/8c^3d^2 - 1/256(3d^4 - 16cd^2 + 64bd \\
 &\quad - 256a + 256y)m^4 + 1/16c^4 + 1/64(3d^5 - 18cd^3 + 16c^2d \\
 &\quad + 4(11d^2 - 8c)b - 128ad + 128dy)m^3 - 1/4(d^2 - 2c)b^2 \\
 &\quad - 1/128(9d^6 - 60cd^4 + 92c^2d^2 - 32c^3 \\
 &\quad - 16(15d^2 - 8c)a + 32(3d^3 - 4cd)b + 16(15d^2 - 8c)y)m^2 \\
 &\quad + 1/8(d^4 - 4c^2 - 16y)a + a^2 - 1/8(d^5 - 4cd^3 + 4c^2d)b \\
 &\quad + 1/64(3d^7 - 22cd^5 + 44c^2d^3 - 24c^3d + 16b^2d - 32(2d^3 - 3cd \\
 &\quad + 2b)a + 4(7d^4 - 16cd^2 + 4c^2)b + 32(2d^3 - 3cd + 2b)y)m \\
 &\quad - 1/8(d^4 - 4c^2)y + y^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, these last results allow us to reach the inverse formula for the BJQ:

$$x = \frac{-m(y_k) \pm \sqrt{m(y_k)^2 - 4 \left[n(y_k) - \sqrt{\frac{-Z_2(y_k) \pm \sqrt{(Z_2(y_k))^2 - 4Z_0(y_k)}}{2}} \right]}}{2} \tag{28}$$

$$\text{For } y_k = \omega_{k-1} \sqrt[5]{\frac{Y_0}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{Y_0^2 + 4\left(\frac{Y_3}{5}\right)^5}} + \omega_{n-(k-1)} \sqrt[5]{\frac{Y_0}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{Y_0^2 + 4\left(\frac{Y_3}{5}\right)^5}}$$

Thus, any quintic can be solved by radicals, as was the main goal of this work.

3.4 Solving the sextic

For the sextic equation we start from the ‘‘Bring-Jerrard normal Sextic (BJSx)’’ equation (required), $e(x) = x^6 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$, which after obtained by Bring’s method, we will apply on it a new 4th degree Tschirnhaus transformation, $g(x, y) = x^4 + dx^3 + cx^2 + bx + a - y = 0$ (with the same modifications used before in the expressions of the Bring coefficients for the quintic) so as to eliminate the 2nd, 4th and 6th coefficients at once from its resultant, $[R_1(y) = y^6 + Y_5y^5 + Y_4y^4 + Y_3y^3 + Y_2y^2 + Y_1y + Y_0 = 0]$ This will allow us to obtain the De Moivre Sextic: $DM_1(y) = y^6 + Y_4y^4 + Y_2y^2 + Y_0 = 0$, in which we will make the change $y^2 = w$ to simplify it to a cubic equation, $f(w) = w^3 + Y_4w^2 + Y_2w + Y_0$, which we already know how to work it. The following flowchart gives the steps to follow to solve the sextic (somewhat ‘‘similar’’ to those followed for the quintic):

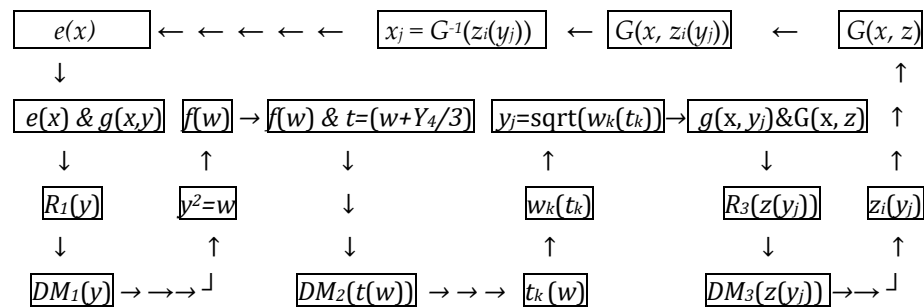


Figure 5. Flowchart of the steps to solve the Bring-Jerrard Normal Sextic Equation (BJS)

Making the coefficient $Y_5 = 0$, for $a = 2p/3$, we obtain $e(x) \& g(x, y)$:

var('a,a0,a1,b,b0,b1,c,d,e,f,g,h,h00,h01,i,j,j00,j01,k,k0,k1,k2,k3,l,x,y, p,q,r,s,t,u,v')

$$\begin{aligned} cb &= x^6 + p^*x^2 + q^*x + r \\ \text{res} &= \text{cb.resultant}(-y + x^4 + d^*x^3 + c^*x^2 + b^*x + 2^*p/3, x). \text{poly}(y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Resultant equation is: } R_1(y) = y^6 + Y_4y^4 + Y_3y^3 + Y_2y^2 + Y_1y + Y_0 = 0 \quad (29)$$

$$Y_4 = 1/3(6c^2p + 12bdp + 15cdq + 9d^2r - 2p^2 + 15bq + 18cr)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y_3 &= -1/27(108cd^2p^2 + 81d^3pq - 108b^2cp + 36c^2p^2 + 72bdp^2 - 135bc^2q \\ &\quad - 135b^2dq + 306cdpq + 135d^2q^2 - 54c^3r - 324bcd r + 162d^2pr \\ &\quad + 4p^3 + 63bpq + 135cq^2 - 162b^2r + 54cpr + 297dqr + 54r^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y_2 &= 1/9(9d^4p^3 + 9c^4p^2 - 36bc^2dp^2 + 18b^2d^2p^2 + 36cd^2p^3 + 9c^3dpq - 63bcd^2pq \\ &\quad + 63d^3p^2q + 45c^2d^2q^2 - 45bd^3q^2 - 81c^2d^2pr + 18bd^3pr \\ &\quad + 36cd^3qr + 27d^4r^2 + 9b^4p - 36b^2cp^2 - 6c^2p^3 - 12bdp^3 \\ &\quad + 45b^3cq - 63bc^2pq + 27b^2dpq + 57cdp^2q - 45c^3q^2 - 45bcdq^2 \\ &\quad + 99d^2pq^2 + 81b^2c^2r + 54b^3dr + 54c^3pr - 108bcdpr + 27d^2p^2r \\ &\quad - 27c^2dqr - 162bd^2q + p^4 - 15bp^2q + 45b^2q^2 + 36cpq^2 + 45dq^3 \\ &\quad - 27b^2pr - 18cp^2r - 27bcqr + 72dpqr + 81c^2r^2 - 162bdr^2 \\ &\quad + 36q^2r) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y_1 &= -1/81(108d^4p^4 - 81bd^4p^2q + 81cd^4pq^2 - 81d^5q^3 - 162cd^4p^2r + 243d^5pqr \\ &\quad + 108c^4p^3 - 432bc^2dp^3 + 216b^2d^2p^3 - 81bc^4pq + 324b^2c^2dpq \\ &\quad - 162b^3d^2pq + 108c^3dp^2q - 432bcd^2p^2q + 432d^3p^3q + 81c^5q^2 \\ &\quad - 405bc^3dq^2 + 405b^2cd^2q^2 + 216c^2d^2pq^2 - 621bd^3pq^2 \\ &\quad + 405cd^3q^3 - 162c^5pr + 648bc^3dpr - 324c^2d^2p^2r + 216bd^3p^2r \\ &\quad + 81c^4dqr - 729bc^2d^2qr + 567b^2d^3qr - 702cd^3pqr - 81d^4q^2r \\ &\quad + 486c^3d^2r^2 - 972bcd^3r^2 + 486d^4pr^2 + 108b^4p^2 - 24c^2p^4 \\ &\quad - 48bdp^4 - 81b^5q + 216b^3cpq - 378bc^2p^2q + 540b^2dp^2q \\ &\quad - 60cdp^3q + 405b^2c^2q^2 - 405b^3dq^2 - 378c^3pq^2 + 27bcdpq^2 \\ &\quad + 648d^2p^2q^2 - 405c^2dq^3 - 405bd^2q^3 - 486b^4cr + 540c^3p^2r \\ &\quad - 648bcdp^2r - 36d^2p^3r + 324bc^3qr + 972b^2cdqr + 648c^2dpqr \\ &\quad - 891bd^2pqr + 324cd^2q^2r - 486c^4r^2 + 1458b^2d^2r^2 - 486cd^2pr^2 \\ &\quad - 81d^3qr^2 - 4p^5 - 33bp^3q + 297b^2pq^2 - 27cp^2q^2 + 405bcq^3 \\ &\quad + 459dpq^3 - 18cp^3r - 648b^3qr - 648bcpr \\ &\quad - 81dp^2qr - 162c^2q^2r - 729bdq^2r + 648c^2pr^2 - 648bdpr^2 \\ &\quad + 648cdqr^2 - 486d^2r^3 + 81q^4 + 108pq^2r - 54p^2r^2 - 567bqr^2 \\ &\quad + 486cr^3) \end{aligned}$$

Let's leave it at that for now. The modified Bring variables to be applied to Y_3 , since the expression of $a = 2p/3$ was already introduced, will be: $c = d + h + k$ and $b = fd + h + j$. The result of these changes is factored over the variable d , obtaining: $Y_3 = D_3d^3 + D_2d^2 + D_1d + D_0$. Making, following Bring, the D 's equal to zero, Y_3 becomes eliminated. Next are some details realized in this process. For:

$$\mathbf{c = d + h + k; \quad b = f*d + h + j;}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{expand}(-1/27*(108*c*d^2*p^2 + 81*d^3*p*q - 108*b^2*c*p + 36*c^2*p^2 + 72*b*d*p^2 - \\ 135*b*c^2*q - 135*b^2*d*q + 306*c*d*p*q + 135*d^2*q^2 - 54*c^3*r - 324*b*c*d*r + \\ 162*d^2*p*r + 4*p^3 + 63*b*p*q + 135*c*q^2 - 16*b^2*r + 54*c*p*r + 297*d*q*r + \\ 54*r^2)). \text{poly}(d) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
D_3 &= -(4f^2p + 5f^2q - 4p^2 + 5fq - 3pq + 12fr + 2r) \\
D_2 &= -1/3(12f^2hp + 12f^2kp + 24fhp + 24fjp - 8fp^2 - 12hp^2 - 12kp^2 + 60fhq \\
&\quad + 30fjq + 30fkq + 18f^2r + 36fhr + 36fkr - 4p^2 + 15hq \\
&\quad + 15jq - 34pq - 15q^2 + 54hr + 36jr + 18kr - 18pr) \\
D_1 &= 1/3(24fh^2p + 24fhjp + 24fhkp + 24fjkp + 15fh^2q + 30fhkq + 15fk^2q \\
&\quad + 12h^2p + 24hj^2p + 12j^2p - 16hp^2 - 8jp^2 - 8kp^2 + 45h^2q \\
&\quad + 60hj^2q + 15j^2q + 30hkq + 30jkq - 7fpq - 34hpq - 34kpq \\
&\quad + 36fhr + 54h^2r + 36fjr + 36hjr + 72hkr + 36jkr + 18k^2r \\
&\quad - 15q^2 - 6pr - 33qr) \\
D_0 &= 4h^3p + 8h^2jp + 4hj^2p + 4h^2kp + 8hj^2p + 4j^2kp - 4/3h^2p^2 - 8/3hkp^2 \\
&\quad - 4/3k^2p^2 + 5h^3q + 5h^2jq + 10h^2kq + 10hjkq + 5hk^2q + 5jk^2q \\
&\quad + 2h^3r + 6h^2kr + 6hk^2r + 2k^3r - 3/3k^2p^2 - 7/3hpq - 7/3j^2p^2 \\
&\quad - 5hq^2 - 5kq^2 + 6h^2r + 12hjr + 6j^2r - 2hpr - 2kpr - 2r^2
\end{aligned}$$

Making, $D_3 = D_2 = D_1 = D_0 = 0$, the values of variables f, j, h and k are obtained:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{solve}(D_3=0, f) \\
f &= -1/2(5q + 12r \pm \text{sqrt}(64p^3 + 128p^2q + 5(12p + 5)q^2 - 16(2p - 5q)r \\
&\quad + 144r^2))/(4p + 5q),
\end{aligned}$$

And a constant value for the unknown f is again obtained, as it turned out to depend only on the known constant coefficients p, q , and r . With $D_2 = 0$ we clear j :

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{solve}(D_2=0, j) \\
j &= 1/3(4(2f + 3h + 3k + 1)p^2 - 12(f^2k + (f^2 + 2f)h)p - (15(4f + 1)h \\
&\quad + 30fk - 34p)q + 15q^2 - 18(f^2 + (2f + 3)h + (2f + 1)k \\
&\quad - p)r)/(8fp + 5(2f + 1)q + 12r)
\end{aligned}$$

As can be seen, the value of j becomes a function of 1st degree of the unknowns h and k , which is similar to what happened with the quintic with the variable i . Next we will calculate the roots h_i of D_1 , but with the calculated value of j also included also in D_1 .

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{solve}(1/3(24f^2h^2p + 24f^2hj^2p + 24f^2hk^2p + 24f^2jk^2p + 15f^2h^2q + 30f^2hk^2q + \\
&15f^2k^2q + 12h^2p + 24hj^2p + 12j^2p - 16h^2p^2 - 8j^2p^2 - 8k^2p^2 + 45h^2q + \\
&60hj^2q + 15j^2q + 30hkq + 30jkq - 7fpq - 34hpq - 34kpq + 36fhr + \\
&54h^2r + 36fjr + 36hjr + 72hkr + 36jkr + 18k^2r - 15q^2 - 6p^2r - \\
&33q^2r)=0, h)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
h &= -1/3(576f^4kp^3 - 64(3k + 1)p^5 - 64(4f^3 + 6f^2k - 3f^2)p^4 \\
&\quad - 25(15(4f^3 - 3f)k - (56f^2 + 56f - 17)p + 12p^2)q^3 - 375q^4 \\
&\quad + 1296(3f^2 + 4fk + f - p)r^3 + 40(45f^2kp + (45f^2 + 17f \\
&\quad - 15k)p^2 - 23p^3)q^2 - 36(4(20f + 12k - 3)p^2 - 12(8f^3 + f^2 \\
&\quad + (16f^2 - 4f - 1)k)p - 15(4f^3 + 10f^2 + (4f^2 + 8f + 1)k + f \\
&\quad - 2p)q + 30q^2)r^2 - 16((15k + 34)p^4 - 45(f^4 + 2f^3)kp^2 + (20f^3 \\
&\quad - 34f^2 + 30(f^2 + f)k - 15f)p^3)q - 6(16(16f^2 + 6(2f - 1)k \\
&\quad - 6f - 1)p^3 + 16p^4 - 48(3f^4 + 2(6f^3 - f^2)k)p^2 - 5(60f^3
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + 45f^2 - 15(4f^2 - 8f - 1)k + (112f - 3)p)q^2 + 150q^3 \\
& + 4((50f^2 - 18f + 60k - 39)p^2 + 15p^3 - 15(3f^4 + 6f^3 + 2(4f^3 \\
& + 6f^2 - f)k)p)q)r \pm \text{sqrt}(512(f^2 + f - 1)p^7 + 256p^8 + 256(f^4 \\
& - 6f^3 + 3f^2)p^6 - 5625(f - 1)q^6 + 375(60f^3 - 2(28f - 17)p \\
& - 45f)q^5 + 25((892f^2 + 408f + 649)p^2 - 408p^3 + 15(28f^4 \\
& - 93f^2)p)q^4 + 3888(3f^4 + 18f^3 + 3f^2 + 2(3f^2 - 7f)p + 3p^2 \\
& - 44fq)r^4 + 40((962f^2 + 863f)p^3 - 692p^4 - 45(6f^4 + \\
& 19f^3)p^2)q^3 + 324(72f^4p - 8(22f^2 - 4f - 1)p^2 + 8p^3 - \\
& 5(32f^2 + 148f - 12p + 11)q^2 + 2(135f^4 + 60f^3 - (186f^2 - \\
& 48f - 17)p + 103p^2)q)r^3 + 16((225f - 1096)p^5 - (250f^3 - \\
& 1726f^2 - 435f)p^4 - 45(7f^5 + 26f^4)f^4)q^2 + 18(64(6f^2 - 4f - \\
& 3)p^4 + 192p^5 + 192(f^4 + 2f^2)p^3 + 75(8f^2 - 136f + 12p - \\
& 17)q^3 + 450q^4 + 30(45f^5 + 45f^4 + (9f + 127)p^2 - (74f^3 + \\
& 220f^2 - 79f - 7)p)q^2 + 8(135f^5p - (113f + 204)p^3 - \\
& 3(166f^3 - 96f^2 - 27f)p^2)q)r^2 - 64(63f^5p^4 - (89f - 92)p^6 + \\
& (46f^3 - 72f^2 - 15f)p^5)q + 3(1152f^4p^4 - 128(22f^2 - 4f - \\
& 1)p^5 + 128p^6 + 75(160f^3 + 120f^2 - 12(f - 3)p - 405f - \\
& 30)q^4 + 2250q^5 + 20((1174f + 681)p^2 + 15(10f^3 - 115f^2 + \\
& f)p)q^3 - 16(2(230f^2 - 743f + 95)p^3 + 30p^4 + 15(30f^4 + \\
& 78f^3 - 19f^2)p^2)q^2 - 32((210f^2 - 24f - 29)p^4 - 115p^5 + \\
& 3(63f^4 - 44f^3)p^3)q)r)(8fp + 5(2f + 1)q + 12r))/(192f^4p^3 - \\
& 128f^2p^4 - 64p^5 - 125(4f^3 - 3f)q^3 + 1728fr^3 + 200(3f^2p - \\
& p^2)q^2 + 36(4(16f^2 - 4f - 1)p - 16p^2 + 5(4f^2 + 8f + \\
& 1)q)r^2 - 80(2(f^2 + f)p^3 + p^4 - 3(f^4 + 2f^3)p^2)q - 6(32(2f - \\
& 1)p^3 - 32(6f^3 - f^2)p^2 + 25(4f^2 - 8f - 1)q^2 - 40((4f^3 + \\
& 6f^2 - f)p - 2p^2)q)r)
\end{aligned}$$

Again, as with the quintic, the two roots $h_{1,2}$ turn out to be also **linearly dependent** only on the variable k as well, since the expression inside the square root depends only on the values f, p, q , and r . As seen, coefficients can have too long expressions and when using Sagemath on our memory limited laptop they sometimes do not work correctly. Therefore, we could use shorter expressions for them, if it were necessary. For example:

$$h_i = H01 + H10*k \pm H02; \text{ but, if we put } H00 = H01 \pm H02, \text{ it simplifies to:}$$

$$h_i = H00 + H10*k$$

Introducing the chosen value h (with its original appearance, not simplified) in the expression of the variable j to make it depend only on k , we have:

$$\text{expand}(1/3*(4*(2*f + 3*h + 3*k + 1)*p^2 - 12*(f^2*k + (f^2 + 2*f)*h)*p - (15*(4*f + 1)*h + 30*f*k - 34*p)*q + 15*q^2 - 18*(f^2 + (2*f + 3)*h + (2*f + 1)*k - p)*r)/(8*f*p + 5*(2*f + 1)*q + 12*r), \text{poly}(k)$$

Writing a shorter expression for j , it could be reduced to: $j = J00 + J01*k$. Entering the values found for h and j in the coefficient D_0 so that it depends only on k . Let us call it $D0K$. Equaling $D0K$ to zero, we obtain a long cubic equation in k , which will also be written in abbreviated form. Let's see, for example, taking:

$$j = J00 + J01*k, \quad h = H00 + H01*k, \quad c = d + h + k, \quad b = f*d + h + j$$

And expressing the long result of D0K in another shorter form, we have:

$$D0K = K00 + K01*k + K02*k^2 + K03*k^3 = 0$$

Thus, by solving this cubic equation we can have the numerical roots of D0K, k_1 , k_2 and k_3 . Taking the k_i that returns the normal sextic equation, and introducing it in the variables j and h we get to know them all. Thus, we will have eliminated Y_3 and Y_5 . Therefore, we only have to eliminate Y_1 to obtain: $DM_1(y) = y^6 + Y_4y^4 + Y_2y^2 + Y_0 = 0$.

To eliminate the coefficient Y_1 , we expand it with all the numerical values already known as constant values of f , j , h and k introduced into the variables $c = d + h + k$ and $b = fd + h + j$. Thus, Y_1 would become depending only on the last unknown variable that remains, d . This gives rise to a **quintic auxiliary equation** in d , Y1D. **This auxiliary quintic equation is solved according to the procedure described in section 3.3.** And that root of the five ones of the Y1D equation that returns the original Bring sextic equation is chosen.

Thus, it was possible to eliminate in equation (29) the 2nd term (Y_5), as well as the terms 4th (Y_3) and 6th (Y_1), and the obtained equation was: $DM_1(y) = y^6 + Y_4y^4 + Y_2y^2 + Y_0 = 0$, which was easily solvable because when making the change of variable, $w = y^2$, it became a cubic equation, $w^3 + Y_4w^2 + Y_2w + Y_0 = 0$. This fact simplified the solution of the sextic equation. That is, the requirements of satisfying the internal relation, $\left(\frac{Y_4}{6}\right)^2 = \frac{Y_2}{9}$, to complete the De Moivre sextic form, which involved a new equation and a new variable to be created, became unnecessary. We only needed to know the three roots of the reduced cubic equation, constructed according to the following process:

$$y^6 + Y_4y^4 + Y_2y^2 + Y_0 = 0 \xrightarrow{y^2=w} w^3 + Y_4w^2 + Y_2w + Y_0 = 0,$$

Changing again to a new variable $t = w + Y_4/3$ to obtain the De Moivre cubic, $t^3 + T_1t + T_0 = 0$, where $T_1 = Y_2 - \frac{1}{3}(Y_4)^2$ and $T_0 = \frac{2}{27}(Y_4)^3 - \frac{1}{3}(Y_4)Y_2 + Y_0$ we can compare, $t^3 + T_1t + T_0 = 0$, for $t = u + v$, with the cubic binomial, $(u + v)^3 - 3uv(u + v) - (u^3 + v^3) = 0$. From this, $-uv = \frac{T_1}{3}$, and $-(u^3 + v^3) = -\beta_3 = T_0$. which allows us to calculate, u and v ; and then: $t = u + v$; $w = -\frac{Y_4}{3} + t$; $y = \sqrt{w}$.

$$v = -\frac{T_1}{3u}; \quad T_0 = -(u^3 + v^3) \rightarrow u^3 - \left(\frac{T_1}{3u}\right)^3 + T_0 = 0$$

$$u^6 + T_0u^3 - \frac{1}{27}T_1^3 = 0 \rightarrow (u^3)^2 + T_0(u^3) - \frac{1}{27}T_1^3 = 0$$

$$u = \sqrt[3]{\frac{-T_0 + \sqrt{T_0^2 + 4\left(\frac{T_1}{3}\right)^3}}{2}}; \quad v = \sqrt[3]{\frac{-T_0 - \sqrt{T_0^2 + 4\left(\frac{T_1}{3}\right)^3}}{2}},$$

$$t_k = \omega_{k-1}u + \omega_{3-(k-1)}v, \text{ for } \begin{matrix} t_1 = \omega_0u + \omega_3v \\ t_2 = \omega_1u + \omega_2v \\ t_3 = \omega_2u + \omega_1v \end{matrix} \quad \text{where, } \begin{matrix} \omega_m = e^{k\left(\frac{m2\pi}{3}\right)} \\ \text{for } k = 1,2,3 \\ m = 0, \dots, 3 \end{matrix}$$

Undoing the change, $w = -\frac{Y_4}{3} + t$, for $t = u + v$ the basic cubic solution arises, to construct the others, based on the roots of unit $\omega_m = e^{j\left(\frac{m2\pi}{3}\right)}$, $k = 1,2,3$:

$$w_k = -\frac{Y_4}{3} + t_k = -\frac{Y_4}{3} + \omega_{k-1} \sqrt[3]{\frac{-T_0 + \sqrt{T_0^2 + 4\left(\frac{T_1}{3}\right)^3}}{2}} + \omega_{3-(k-1)} \sqrt[3]{\frac{-T_0 - \sqrt{T_0^2 + 4\left(\frac{T_1}{3}\right)^3}}{2}} \quad (30)$$

So, the roots of the equation, $y^6 + Y_4y^4 + Y_2y^2 + Y_0 = 0$, for $y = \sqrt{w}$, are:

$$y_{k,3+k} = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{Y_4}{3} + \omega_{k-1} \sqrt[3]{\frac{-T_0 + \sqrt{T_0^2 + 4\left(\frac{T_1}{3}\right)^3}}{2}} + \omega_{4-k} \sqrt[3]{\frac{-T_0 - \sqrt{T_0^2 + 4\left(\frac{T_1}{3}\right)^3}}{2}}}$$

$$y_{1,4} = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{Y_4}{3} + \omega_0 u + \omega_3 v}; \quad y_{2,5} = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{Y_4}{3} + \omega_1 u + \omega_2 v}; \quad y_{3,5} = \pm \sqrt{-\frac{Y_4}{3} + \omega_2 u + \omega_1 v} \quad (31)$$

On the other hand, to undo the Tschirnhaus transformation of the fourth degree, for returning from the $y_{k,3+k}$ to the Bring's sextic equation, the numerical values of d, c, b, a , and those of the six roots $y_{k,3+k}$ are substituted into the $g(x) = x^4 + dx^3 + cx^2 + bx + a - y_{k,3+k} = 0$. This quartic is then transformed into a De Moivre's quartic form through a 2nd degree transformation, $G(x, z) = x^2 + mx + n - z = 0$. This equation is solved and two roots x_j are obtained, depending on the four roots z_i of the De Moivre quartic resultant as a function of m and n . Of these, only one return the *Bring-Jerrard Sextic* equation (BJS), $x^6 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$, which is taken. See:

$$g(x) = x^4 + dx^3 + cx^2 + bx + a - y_{k,3+k} = 0 \ \& \ G(x, z) = x^2 + mx + n - z = 0 \ \downarrow \quad \leftarrow x = \frac{-m \pm \sqrt{m^2 - 4(n-z)}}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Res}_3[g(x) \& G(x)] = z^4 + Z_3z^3 + Z_2z^2 + Z_1z + Z_0 = 0 \xrightarrow{Z_3=Z_1=0} z^4 + Z_2z^2 + Z_0 = 0 \rightarrow z = \pm \sqrt{\frac{-Z_2 \pm \sqrt{(Z_2)^2 - 4(Z_0)}}{2}} \ \uparrow$$

Figure 6. Flowchart of the steps to undo the Tschirnhaus transformation of the 4th degree for solving the sextic.

Calculations of the expression of n by making Z_3 equal to zero ($n = -d^2 + dm + 2c/4$), of m by making Z_1 equal to zero (which creates a cubic equation), and of Z_2 and of Z_0 , can be observed in the process carried out for obtaining the resultant of $g(x) \& G(x, z)$ in order to obtain equations similar to (26), (27), and (28), which are almost exactly the same as those used now to obtain the resultant of $g(x) \& G(x, z)$ for the sextic.

Thus, $z_i = \sqrt{\frac{-Z_2 \pm \sqrt{(Z_2)^2 - 4(Z_0)}}{2}}$. But, from $x^2 + mx + n - z = 0 \rightarrow x = \frac{-m \pm \sqrt{m^2 - 4(n-z)}}{2}$, and then, we get the expression of the $x_{k,3+k}$, where, as indicated, the values of Z_2 and Z_0 are constructed based on the values of $y = y_{k,3+k}$, calculated in equation (31). For single values of $z_i(y_{k,3+k})$, $m(y_{k,3+k})$ and $n(y_{k,3+k})$, the expression of $x = x_{k,3+k}$ becomes:

$$x_{k,3+k} = \frac{-m(y_{k,3+k}) \pm \sqrt{(m(y_{k,3+k}))^2 - 4 \left[n(y_{k,3+k}) - \sqrt{\frac{-Z_2(y_{k,3+k}) \pm \sqrt{(Z_2(y_{k,3+k}))^2 - 4Z_0(y_{k,3+k})}}{2}} \right]}}{2} \quad (32)$$

3.5 Trying to solve the septic

Starting from the normal septic equation (BJS_p), $d(z) = z^7 + Z_3z^3 + Z_2z^2 + Z_1z + Z_0 = 0$, without the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th term, applying a strategy similar to that in the quintic it is necessary in a first step to obtain the *bi-normal* expression, $e(x) = x^7 + X_2x^2 + X_1x + X_0 = 0$, (without the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th terms). This expression would be required because we would need, in a second step, to form four equations for constructing the De Moivre septic (DMS_p) $f(y) = y^7 + Y_5y^5 + Y_3y^3 + Y_1y + Y_0 = 0$, to compare it with the binary identity $y^7 - 7\alpha y^5 + 14\alpha^2 y^3 - 7\alpha^3 y - \beta_7 = 0$. Namely, three equations for elim-

inating the 2nd, 4th and 6th terms and the last equation to satisfy the internal condition, $(Y_5/7)^3 - 2(Y_5/7)(Y_3/14)^2 + (Y_1/7) = (\alpha)^3 - 2(\alpha)(\alpha^2) + \alpha^3 = 0$. This expression would relate the three coefficients, in function of the last unknown d . After obtaining d , we would determine $\alpha = uv$ and $u^7 + v^7$, and we would have the DMSp to solve it by radicals.

But, as it is known, so far it has not been possible to eliminate four terms of a general monic equation of degree less than 10 [7]. We have succeeded, however, in eliminating four terms at once from the general monic equation of degree 7, or septic, and this is our only contribution to this problem in this paper. It was not possible to eliminate the three inter-sequential terms (2nd, 4th and 6th) of the septic. That is, we have only developed the first step of the problem, and we have decided to leave the septic problem up to this point. This explains the reason for the title of this section. The steps, using Sage-math without the calculation details (more than two hundred pages of this type), are:

1) var('a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k,m,n,h,i,j,k,l,x,y,p,q,r,s,t,u,v')

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cb = x^7 + p*x^3 + q*x^2 + r*x + s
res = cb.resultant(-y + x^6 + f*x^5 + e*x^4 + d*x^3 + c*x^2 + b*x + (4*e*p + 5*f*q + 6*r)/7,x).poly(y)
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from this result we obtained the resultant:

$$f(y) = y^7 + Y_5y^5 + Y_4y^4 + Y_3y^3 + Y_2y^2 + Y_1y + Y_0 = 0 \quad (33)$$

Using specially related coefficients to avoid auxiliary equations of degree > 6, as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e} &= \mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{d} &= \mathbf{m} * \mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{c} &= \mathbf{f} + \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} \\ \mathbf{b} &= \mathbf{t} * \mathbf{f} + \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

2) and expanding Y_5 , a first part of coefficients of the variable f are obtained:

$$Y_5 = F12.f^2 + F11.f + F10 \quad (34)$$

3) By expanding Y_4 the second part of coefficients of the variable f arise:

$$Y_4 = F23.f^3 + F22.f^2 + F21.f + F20 \quad (35)$$

Making the coefficients of the variable f equal to zero, Y_5 and Y_6 become eliminated. We obtained for the variables t, m, h, i, j, k and g the following results and interpretations:

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solve(F12==0,t)
t = Results in a quadratic function of only the variable m
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solve(F23==0,m)
Entering t in F23 it results in an equation of 5th degree (depending only on the variable m) that we know how to solve according to section 3.3 and we have the value of m. So, t and m depend on the constants p, q, r, s and will be treated as numbers.
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solve(F11==0,h)
h = Results in a linear function of g, i, j, k.
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solve(F22==0,g)
g = Results in a linear function dependent only on i.
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Entering the expression of g in h we obtain h as a linear function of i, j, k . And, introducing again the expressions of g and h in the expression of $F10$ and solving, we have:

$$\text{solve}(F10==0,i)$$

$i =$ Results in a quadratic expression depending only on the number m (and on p, q, r, s), thus it will be treated also as a number. Let the valid root be i_0 and g_0 as well.

Entering the expressions of i_0, g_0 and h , in $F21$ is obtained a long expression, depending on the variables j and k , that can be simplified as:

$$F21 = a_0 j^2 + (b_1 k + b_0) j + (c_2 k^2 + c_1 k + c_0), \quad (36)$$

where $a_0, b_1, b_0, c_2, c_1, c_0$ are numbers. Using Sagemath for solving it, we have:

$$\text{solve}(a_0 j^2 + (b_1 k + b_0) j + (c_2 k^2 + c_1 k + c_0) == 0, j)$$

$$j = \frac{-1/2(b_1 k + b_0 \pm \sqrt{(b_1^2 - 4 a_0 c_2) k^2 + b_0^2 - 4 a_0 c_0 + 2(b_0 b_1 - 2 a_0 c_1) k})}{a_0},$$

$$j = \frac{-1/2(b_1 k + b_0 - \sqrt{(b_1^2 - 4 a_0 c_2) k^2 + b_0^2 - 4 a_0 c_0 + 2(b_0 b_1 - 2 a_0 c_1) k})}{a_0}$$

Introducing, after checking, the correct root j in $F20$, let's suppose it is that of minus sign, then it is obtained another long expression that can be, as above, simplified to:

$$j = -1/2(b_1 k + b_0 - SQ) a_0 \quad (37)$$

$$i = i_0 \quad (38)$$

$$h = d_1 j + d_2 k + d_0 \quad (39)$$

$$g = g_0 \quad (40)$$

$$SQ = \sqrt{(b_1^2 - 4 a_0 c_2) k^2 + b_0^2 - 4 a_0 c_0 + 2(b_0 b_1 - 2 a_0 c_1) k} / a_0 = \sqrt{L_2 k^2 + L_1 k + L_0} \quad (41)$$

Applying $SQ^3 = SQ \cdot SQ^2$, to leave only coefficients in SQ and coefficients in the variable k , so that after separating them, putting them on both sides of the equal sign and squaring them, we can obtain a six-degree auxiliary equation. See the steps:

$$M_3 k^3 + M_2 k^2 + M_1 k + M_0 - (N_2 k^2 + N_1 k + N_0) \sqrt{L_2 k^2 + L_1 k + L_0} = 0$$

$$(M_3 k^3 + M_2 k^2 + M_1 k + M_0)^2 = ((N_2 k^2 + N_1 k + N_0) \sqrt{L_2 k^2 + L_1 k + L_0})^2$$

$$\text{solve}((M_3 k^3 + M_2 k^2 + M_1 k + M_0)^2 - ((N_2 k^2 + N_1 k + N_0) \sqrt{L_2 k^2 + L_1 k + L_0})^2 == 0, k) \quad (42)$$

$$[0 = (L_2 N_2^2 - M_3^2) k^6 + (2 L_2 N_1 N_2 + L_1 N_2^2 - 2 M_2 M_3) k^5 + (2 L_1 N_1 N_2 + L_0 N_2^2 + (N_1^2 + 2 N_0 N_2) L_2 - M_2^2 - 2 M_1 M_3) k^4 + (2 L_2 N_0 N_1 + 2 L_0 N_1 N_2 + (N_1^2 + 2 N_0 N_2) L_1 - 2 M_1 M_2 - 2 M_0 M_3) k^3 + L_0 N_0^2 + (L_2 N_0^2 + 2 L_1 N_0 N_1 + (N_1^2 + 2 N_0 N_2) L_0 - M_1^2 - 2 M_0 M_2) k^2 - M_0^2 + (L_1 N_0^2 + 2 L_0 N_0 N_1 - 2 M_0 M_1) k] \quad (43)$$

Thus, the resulting previous equation can be simplified to a sixth-degree equation,

$$K_6 k^6 + K_5 k^5 + K_4 k^4 + K_3 k^3 + K_2 k^2 + K_1 k + K_0 = 0 \quad (44)$$

which, according to the previous section 3.4, we know how to resolve.

Entering, after checking, the valid value of k as a number in j , we know j . Entering k and j in h we know h . In this way, all the variables are numbers, and so, we will have eliminated Y_6, Y_5 and Y_4 . Substituting all the variables with their numerical value in Y_3 and equaling it to zero, an auxiliary equation of the 4th degree results and the value of f (the only unknown variable) becomes known. In this way, four terms become eliminated, which was really the main goal of this section. As with the quintic and sextic All these

results were also checked with numerical coefficients and approximate solutions for g, i, j, k .

4. Final Comments and Conclusions

The *modified expressions* chosen for the Bring coefficients, within the fourth degree Tschirnhaus transformation (4dTschT), applied to the Bring-Jerrard normal form (BJQ), allowed us to transform it into a De Moivre quintic equation (DMQ), where the variables g and h , become linearly dependent on the variable i within a second-degree expression. Similarly, when we worked the sextic, with the same transformation, j and h also became linearly dependent on the variable k . This convenient feature made the degrees of the resulting auxiliary equations (1x3) less than 5 for the quintic and $(n - 1 = 5)$ less than 6 for the sextic, which led us to obtain radical solutions for both types of equations.

It is important to remember that one of the contributions of E. S. Bring in 1786 to mathematics was to take out three terms from the general quintic equation using an original 4th degree transformation **with a particular and successful relation among its coefficients**. For centuries this was impossible, because of the use of a 3dTschT on the quintic that always it took to an auxiliary equation of a degree $2 \times 3 = 6 > 5$. May be Bring was trying, really, to solve the quintic.

In the same line of reasoning, we tried to transform the BJQ into the DMQ (**successfully**), to solve it by radicals, through another 4dTschT **using different Bring's coefficients related among them**. The same trick worked for the *Bring-Jerrard* normal form of the sextic (BJSx), $x^6 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$, to transform it into an equation without the 2nd, 4th and 6th terms, which was transformed into a cubic, solvable by radicals. Namely, it was not necessary to satisfy the internal conditions of the DMSx, simplifying its solution.

And, applying again the curious Bring's trick, through a 6dTschT to the Bring-Jerrard normal form of the septic (BJS_p), $z^7 + Z_3z^3 + Z_2z^2 + Z_1z + Z_0 = 0$, choosing Bring's coefficients successfully related among them, we could take out at once four terms (2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th) from the resultant and arrived at its binormal form, $x^7 + X_2x^2 + X_1x + X_0 = 0$.

Although it was not possible by now to solve the septic equation by radicals in this work, we achieved the important step of the elimination of four terms at once in this equation, which can be considered as a first part of its solution by radicals, if this were possible. Notice that until this work it had not been possible the elimination of four terms at once from a seven-degree equation.

G. B. Jerrard indicated (1832), after Tschirnhaus (1683), that his method opened the possibility of eliminating at once four and more terms from n -degree equations [6]. However, according to Lord William R. Hamilton's review of his article, "It results, then, from this discussion, that the process described in the present article will not in general avail to take away four terms at once, from equations lower than the tenth degree" [7].

On other side, the flowcharts presented in each one of the cases treated in this work suggest that the choice of valid values can be easily programmed by making simultaneous calculations and checking all possible results. This is somewhat cumbersome and in addition has the requirement of enough memory on the computer or laptop used to run all the valid and invalid results.

We also managed to detect that for the case of the general equation of degree n , even, it is necessary to eliminate $n/2$ inter-sequential terms (2nd, 4th, 6th, ...) at once and thus, the resultant can be transformed into an equation of degree $n/2$, making the change, $z = y^2$. If these actions were possible and the equation of degree $n/2$ were solvable by radicals, it is not necessary to fulfill the internal relations of the De Moivre form of even degree n , but only an equation of degree $n - 1$ is required to be solved.

The solutions of the general quintic and general sextic equations by radicals obtained in this work seem to contradict the theorems of Galois (1832) [8][5], Abel (1828) [5] and Ruffini (1799) [5] on the impossibility of solving general monic equations of degree $n \geq 5$, by radicals. The reasons for achieving the solution of the quintic in this work was that, following a procedure similar to Bring's, we were able to achieve the linear

dependence between roots of second-degree equations and the other variables of the type $h_i = H_{01} + H_{10} k \pm H_{02} = H_{10} k + H_{00}$. We think, this type of possibility was not contemplated in the theorems proposed by these mathematicians.

The positive results achieved in this work, contrary to the Ruffini, Abel and Galois theorems, would imply that it is necessary to continue exploring the possibility of solving equations of more than six degrees by means of radicals, by Bring transformations or of a new type. For this purpose, we suggest among others the readings: [4-10].

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