## Splittings of singular fibers and vanishing cycles



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## Preliminary

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## Splittability into Lefschetz fibers

## Degeneration of propeller surfaces

A propeller surface is a Riemann surface  $\Sigma_g$  of genus  $g \ge 2$ equipped with  $\mathbb{Z}_g$ -action s.t.  $\Sigma_g/\mathbb{Z}_g$  has genus 1.  $\omega_g$ : a propeller automorphism  $X_g$ : the singular fiber with monodromy  $\omega_g$ 



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 $\gamma$ : a separating simple loop on  $\Sigma_g$ s.t.  $\Sigma_g \setminus \gamma = \Sigma_{m,1} \coprod \Sigma_{n,1}$   $(g = m + n, m \ge 1, n \ge 0)$  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_m^{(n)}$ : a psudo-periodic map satisfying

•  $\omega_m^{(n)}|_{\Sigma_{m,1}} \sim$  a periodic map with a fixed pt of rot angle  $\frac{2\pi}{m}$ . •  $\omega_m^{(n)}|_{\Sigma_{n,1}} \sim \text{id.}$  NOTE:  $(\boldsymbol{\omega}^{(n)})^m = \tau_{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}$ 

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- **1** Generalization of Matsumoto's splitting for genus 2.
- 2 Analogous to adjacency diagrams of singularities:



 A splitting of a singular fiber into Lefschetz fibers gives a Dehn-twist expression of its topological monodromy.

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## Dehn-twist expression



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# of periodic m.c.	8	17	<b>47</b>	72	76	203
# of periodic m.c. satisfying (*)	8	<b>14</b>	30	41	35	
# of powers of periodic m.c. satisfying $(*)$	8	16	45	66	66	



## Thank you for your attention.