

The Construction of Monopoles

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Topological Solitons

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Timeline of Monopoles, Instantons & the Baker-Akhiezer f^n

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1976	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bogomolny, The stability of classical solutionsKrichever, An algebraic-geometric construction of the Zakharov-Shabat equations and their periodic solutions
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1978	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Manton, Complex Structure of Monopoles (16 Nov.)Corrigan, Fairlie, Yates, & Goddard, The construction of self-dual solutions to SU(2) gauge theory (25 Nov. 1977)Atiyah, Hitchin, Drinfeld & Manin, Construction of instantons (16 Dec. 1977)
1980	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ward, A Yang-Mills-Higgs monopole of charge 2 (8 Sep.)Prasad & Rossi, Construction of exact Yang-Mills-Higgs multimonopoles of arbitrary charge (12 Dec.)
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Equations

- ▶ t'H-P sought time independent solutions for the model with

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{8}\text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{4}\text{Tr} D_\mu\Phi D^\mu\Phi + V(\Phi), \quad V(\Phi) = \frac{\lambda}{4}(1 - |\Phi|^2)$$

- ▶ P&S found the **hedgehog** solution with $\lambda = 0$, $|\Phi| \rightarrow_{r \rightarrow \infty} 1$

$$\phi = \left[\frac{1}{2r} - \coth(2r)\right] \frac{x^i T_i}{r}, \quad A_j = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \frac{2r}{\sinh(2r)}\right] \frac{\epsilon_{jkl} x^k T^l}{r^2}, \quad T_j = -i\sigma_j$$

- ▶ Bogomolny bound $E \geq 2\pi|n|$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$E = \frac{1}{4} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} (|F|^2 + |D\phi|^2) d^3x = \frac{1}{4} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |F \mp \star D\phi|^2 d^3x \mp S.T.$$

$$S.T. = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \int_{S_R^2} \langle \phi \wedge (d\phi \wedge d\phi) \rangle \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$$

- ▶ $\star_{\mathbb{R}^3} F = \pm D\Phi$, $B_i = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,k=1}^3 \epsilon_{ijk} F^{jk} = \pm D_i\Phi$

- ▶ **Cervero, Lohe** $A = A_\mu dx^\mu = \Phi dt + A_j dx^j$ ind. of t $\star_{\mathbb{R}^4} F = \mp F \Leftrightarrow \star_{\mathbb{R}^3} F = \pm D\Phi$

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Self-Dual Yang-Mills and Monopoles

$$\begin{aligned} F = \pm *_{\mathbb{R}^4} F : \quad & F_{12} = \pm F_{34} \quad F_{13} = \pm F_{42} \quad F_{14} = \pm F_{23} \\ & z = (x_4 + ix_3)/\sqrt{2} \quad F_{zw} = 0 \quad F_{\bar{z}\bar{w}} = 0 \quad F_{z\bar{z}} + F_{w\bar{w}} = 0 \\ & w = -(ix_1 + x_2)/\sqrt{2} \\ & [D_z + \zeta D_{\bar{w}}, D_w - \zeta D_{\bar{z}}] = 0 \\ *_{\mathbb{R}^3} F = \pm D\Phi \quad & [D_i, D_j] = \epsilon_{ijk} [D_k, \pm A_4] \\ \Phi = \pm A_4 \quad & \left[\frac{1}{2} (D_3 - i\Phi) + \zeta D_z, D_{\bar{z}} - \zeta D_3 - \zeta^2 D_z \right] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

A monopole of charge n

$$\left. \sqrt{-\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \Phi(r)^2} \right|_{r \rightarrow \infty} \sim 1 - \frac{n}{2r} + O(r^{-2}), \quad r = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2}$$

ADHM data for n -instanton solution $F = *_{\mathbb{R}^4} F$ with $G = SU(2)$

$$\Delta = a + bx, \quad a, b \in \text{Mat}([n+1] \times n, \mathbb{H}), \quad x \in \mathbb{H}, \quad \Delta^\dagger v = 0, \quad v^\dagger v = 1, \quad A = v^\dagger dv$$

$$\Delta^\dagger \Delta \text{ real and invertible, } \dim_{\mathbb{H}} \ker \Delta^\dagger = 1$$

Nahm data for n -monopole solution $*_{\mathbb{R}^3} F = D\Phi$ with $G = SU(2)$

$$\Delta = 1_{2n} \left(i \frac{d}{ds} + x_4 \right) - iT_4(s) + \sum_{j=1}^3 (T_j(s) + ix_j) \otimes \sigma_j, \quad T_a(s) \in \text{Mat}(n \times n, \mathbb{C})$$

N1 Nahm's equation
$$\dot{T}_i = [T_4, T_i] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,k=1}^3 \epsilon_{ijk} [T_j(z), T_k(z)]$$

N2 $T_i(s)$ is regular for $s \in (0, 2)$ and has simple poles at $s = 0, 2$.
Residues form $\mathfrak{su}(2)$ irreducible n -dimensional representation.

N3 $T_i(s) = -T_i^\dagger(s), \quad T_i(s) = T_i^\dagger(2-s)$

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Reconstruction & the Nahm Transform

$$\Delta^\dagger \mathbf{v} = i \left(1_{2n} \frac{d}{ds} - T_4(s) + i \sum_{j=1}^3 T_j(s) \otimes \sigma_j - \sum_{j=1}^3 x_j 1_n \otimes \sigma_j \right) \mathbf{v}$$

$$\mathcal{D}\Psi = i(\sigma \cdot D_A + s + i\Phi)\Psi \quad 0 = \not{D}_A \Psi_D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -D^\dagger \\ D & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Psi \\ \Psi' \end{pmatrix} e^{ix_4 s}$$

$$\Delta^\dagger \mathbf{v} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{v}_a = \mathbf{v}_a(\mathbf{x}, s)$$

$$\delta_{ab} = \int_I \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger \mathbf{v}_b ds$$

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x})_{ab} = i \int_I s \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger \mathbf{v}_b ds$$

$$A_j(\mathbf{x})_{ab} = \int_I \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \mathbf{v}_b ds$$

$$\mathcal{D}\Psi = 0$$

$$\Psi_a = \Psi_a(\mathbf{x}, s) \quad a, b=1,2 \quad j=1,2,3$$

$$\delta_{ab} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \Psi_a^\dagger \Psi_b d^3x$$

$$T_4 = - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \Psi_a^\dagger \partial_s \Psi_b d^3x$$

$$T_j = -i \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} x_j \Psi_a^\dagger \Psi_b d^3x$$

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Integrals: the Panagopoulos Formulae (1983) & BE

Integrals computed in closed form

$$\int \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, s) \mathbf{v}_b(\mathbf{x}, s) ds = \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, s) \mathcal{Q}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}, s) \mathbf{v}_b(\mathbf{x}, s)$$

$$\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{x}, s) = \frac{1}{r^2} \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}) \mathcal{T}(s) \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathcal{T}(s)$$

$$\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{1}_n \otimes x_j \sigma_j, \quad \mathcal{T}(s) = i \sum_{j=1}^3 T_j(s) \otimes \sigma_j$$

$$\int s \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger \mathbf{v}_b ds = \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger \mathcal{Q}^{-1} \left[s + \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}) \frac{x_k}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \right] \mathbf{v}_b$$

$$\int \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \mathbf{v}_b ds = \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger \mathcal{Q}^{-1} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} + \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}) \frac{s x_j + i(\mathbf{x} \times \nabla)_j}{r^2} \right] \mathbf{v}_b$$

Observe: Dependence only on boundary values and their derivatives

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Nahm Data and Lax Pairs

$$L := \beta - (\alpha + \alpha^\dagger)\zeta - \beta^\dagger\zeta^2, \quad M := -\alpha - \beta^\dagger\zeta, \quad \alpha = T_4 + iT_3, \quad \beta = T_1 + iT_2$$

$$\dot{T}_i = [T_4, T_i] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,k=1}^3 \epsilon_{ijk} [T_j(s), T_k(s)]$$

$$\iff \dot{L} = [L, M] \iff \begin{cases} \left[\frac{d}{ds} - \alpha, \beta \right] = 0 \\ \frac{d(\alpha + \alpha^\dagger)}{ds} = [\alpha, \alpha^\dagger] + [\beta, \beta^\dagger] \end{cases}$$

$$\beta g = g\nu, \quad \left(\frac{d}{ds} - \alpha \right) g = 0 \iff \beta = g\nu g^{-1}, \quad \alpha = \dot{g}g^{-1},$$

$$h = g^\dagger g, \quad \frac{d}{ds} (hh^{-1}) = [h\nu h^{-1}, \nu^\dagger]$$

- ▶ $\mathcal{C} \subset T\mathbb{P}^1$: $0 = \det(\eta 1_n - L(\zeta)) := P(\eta, \zeta)$
- ▶ \mathcal{C} has **real structure** $\tau : (\zeta, \eta) \rightarrow (-1/\bar{\zeta}, -\bar{\eta}/\bar{\zeta}^2)$
- ▶ **genus** given by Riemann Hurwitz formula $g_{\mathcal{C}} = (n-1)^2$

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Twistors & Minitwistors

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{R}^4 & \longleftrightarrow & \mathbb{T} & F = \pm *_{\mathbb{R}^4} F & \mathcal{A}_n \text{ ansatz} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^0} \downarrow & & V \downarrow & & \\ \mathbb{R}^3 & \longleftrightarrow & \text{MT} & *_{\mathbb{R}^3} F = \pm D\Phi & \mathcal{A}_n \text{ ansatz} \end{array}$$

$$\text{MT} := T\mathbb{P}^1 = \{ \text{oriented lines } \ell \in \mathbb{R}^3 \} \quad (\eta, \zeta) \leftrightarrow \eta \frac{d}{d\zeta} \in T\mathbb{P}^1$$

$$\tau : (\zeta, \eta) \rightarrow (-1/\bar{\zeta}, -\bar{\eta}/\bar{\zeta}^2) \quad \text{anti-holomorphic involution} \quad \text{reverses orientation of lines}$$

Theorem (Hitchin) (A, ϕ) , satisfy $*_{\mathbb{R}^3} F = D\Phi$ for $SU(2) \Leftrightarrow \exists$ hol. v.b. $E \rightarrow T\mathbb{P}^1$ s.t.

- ▶ E is trivial along the image of a real section of $T\mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$,
- ▶ E has a symplectic structure, i.e. a symp. form ω_z on each fibre E_z
- ▶ E has a quaternionic structure $\sigma : E \rightarrow \tau^* \bar{E}$, $\sigma^2 = -1$

$L^\lambda \rightarrow T\mathbb{P}^1$ line bundle with transition function $\exp(-\lambda\eta/\zeta)$

$L^\lambda(m) := L^\lambda \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{O}(m) \rightarrow T\mathbb{P}^1$ with $\zeta^m \exp(-\lambda\eta/\zeta)$

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Hitchin data

$$*\mathbb{R}^3 F = D\Phi \implies [D_3 - i\Phi, D_{\bar{z}}] = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{oriented} \\ \text{line} \end{array} \ell \in \mathbb{R}^3 \quad (D_\ell - i\Phi)u = 0$$

$$\mathcal{C} := \{\ell \mid u \in L^2(-\infty, \infty)\} \subset \text{MT}$$

$$0 \rightarrow L^+ \rightarrow E \rightarrow L^- = (L^+)^* \rightarrow 0 \quad L^+ \cong L(-n)$$

Trans. Fn. $\left(\begin{array}{cc} \zeta^n e^{\eta/\zeta} & \Gamma \\ 0 & \zeta^{-n} e^{-\eta/\zeta} \end{array} \right), \quad \Gamma = \left[\begin{array}{c} \frac{e^{\eta/\zeta + \chi} + (-1)^n e^{-\eta/\zeta - \chi^\tau}}{\zeta^{-n} P(\eta, \zeta)} \end{array} \right], \quad \chi^\tau := \overline{\tau^* \chi}$
 $\chi(\zeta, \eta) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \eta^i \chi_i(\zeta) \quad \chi_i(\zeta) \text{ holomorphic on } \tilde{U}_0$

Hitchin Data

H1 \mathcal{C} has real structure τ

H2 L^2 is trivial on \mathcal{C} and $L^1(n-1)$ is real

L^2 is trivial $\implies \exists$ nowhere-vanishing holomorphic section

H3 $H^0(\mathcal{C}, L^s(n-2)) = 0$ for $s \in (0, 2) \implies H^0(\mathcal{C}, L^s) = 0 \quad s \in (0, 2)$

Euclidean Monopoles \longleftrightarrow Nahm Data \longleftrightarrow Hitchin Data $\mathcal{C} \leftrightarrow (A, \Phi)$

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The Ercolani-Sinha Constraints

▶ $L^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ trivial $\iff f_0(\eta, \zeta) = \exp\left\{-2\frac{\eta}{\zeta}\right\} f_1(\eta, \zeta)$

$$d \log f_0 = d\left(-2\frac{\eta}{\zeta}\right) + d \log f_1, \quad \exp \oint d \log f_0 = 1 \quad \forall \gamma \in H_1(\mathcal{C}, \mathbb{Z})$$

▶ $\gamma_\infty(P) = \frac{1}{2} d \log f_0(P) + i\pi \sum_{j=1}^g m_j \omega_j(P), \quad \oint_{a_k} \omega_j = \delta_{jk}, \quad \oint_{a_k} \gamma_\infty = 0$

$$\oint_{b_k} \gamma_\infty = i\pi n_k + i\pi \sum_{l=1}^g m_l \tau_{lk} \in i\pi \Lambda \quad -\frac{\eta}{\zeta} \sim P \rightarrow \infty_j \int_{P_0}^P \gamma_\infty$$

▶ **Ercolani-Sinha Constraints:** The following are equivalent:

1. L^2 is trivial on \mathcal{C} .

2. If $\mathbf{U} = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \left(\oint_{b_1} \gamma_\infty, \dots, \oint_{b_g} \gamma_\infty \right)^T$ then $2\mathbf{U} \in \Lambda$.

3. \exists 1-cycle $\epsilon s = \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{b}$ s.t. for every holomorphic differential

$$\Omega = \frac{\beta_0 \eta^{n-2} + \beta_1(\zeta) \eta^{n-3} + \dots + \beta_{n-2}(\zeta)}{\frac{\partial \mathcal{P}}{\partial \eta}} d\zeta, \quad \oint_{\epsilon s} \Omega = -2\beta_0$$

4. $(n, \mathbf{m}) \left(\frac{\mathcal{A}}{\mathcal{B}} \right) = -2(0, \dots, 0, 1), \quad du_g = \frac{\eta^{n-2}}{\frac{\partial \mathcal{P}}{\partial \eta}} d\zeta,$

▶ **ES constraints impose g transcendental constraints on curve**

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Known Spectral Curves w/o B&D-H

Theorem (B. 2018) *BPS monopole spectral curves are transcendental.*

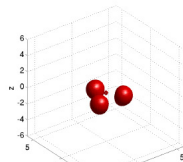
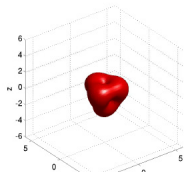
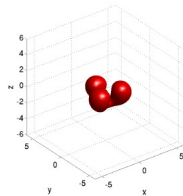
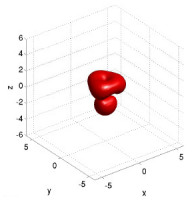
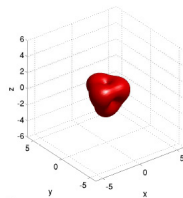
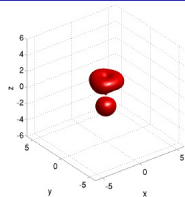
$P(\eta, \zeta)$	G	
η	$SO(3)$	[PS75]
$\eta \prod_{l=1}^m (\eta^2 + l^2 \pi^2 \zeta^2)$	$SO(2)$	[Hit83]
$\prod_{l=0}^m (\eta^2 + [l + \frac{1}{2}]^2 \pi^2 \zeta^2)$	$SO(2)$	[Hit83]
$\eta^2 + \frac{\mathbf{K}(k)^2}{4} (\zeta^4 + 2(k^2 - k'^2)\zeta^2 + 1)$	C_2	[Hur83]
$\eta^3 + a_3(\zeta^6 + 5\sqrt{2}\zeta^3 - 1)$	A_4	[HMM95]
$\eta^4 + a_4(\zeta^8 + 14\zeta^4 + 1)$	S_4	[HMM95]
$\eta (\eta^2 - \mathbf{K}(k)^2 (\zeta^4 + 2(k^2 - k'^2)\zeta^2 + 1))$	$C_2(inv)$	[HS96b]
$\eta (\eta^4 - 4a_4(\zeta^8 + 14\zeta^4 + 1))$	S_4	[HS96d]
$\eta (\eta^6 + a_7\zeta(\zeta^{10} + 11\zeta^5 - 1))$	A_5	[HS96d]
$\eta^4 + 36ia\kappa^3\eta\zeta(\zeta^4 - 1) + 3\kappa^4(\zeta^8 + 14\zeta^4 + 1)$	A_4	[HS96a]
$\eta^3 - 6(a^2 \pm 4)^{1/3}\kappa^2\eta\zeta^2 + 2i\kappa^3a(\zeta^5 - \zeta)$	C_4	[HS96c]
$\eta^3 + \alpha\eta\zeta^2 + \beta\zeta^6 + \gamma\zeta^3 - \beta$	C_3	[BDE11]

$$a_3 = \pm \frac{1}{48\sqrt{3}\pi^{3/2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 = \pm \frac{1}{48\sqrt{3}} B\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}\right)^3 \quad a_4 = \frac{3}{1024\pi^2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^8 = \frac{3}{256} B\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right)^4$$

$$a_7 = \frac{1}{64\pi^3} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^6 \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^6 = \frac{1}{64} B\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{3}\right)^6$$

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Example: Cyclic 3-Monopole Scattering



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Rational Maps. What is known about the fields?

Rational Maps

- ▶ Donaldson Rational Map $\frac{q(\eta)}{p(\eta)} := \frac{c_1\eta^{n-1} + \dots + c_n}{P(\eta, 0)}$ Breaks symmetry $\zeta = 0$
 $q(\eta)$ may also be specified.
- ▶ Jarvis Rational Map. Retains $SO(3)$ symmetry
- ▶ Moduli space of solutions

How do we reconstruct the fields?

- ▶ Numerical Solutions
 - ▶ Solve Nahm equations. Assumes Nahm data and so curve.
 - ▶ (Jarvis) Rational Map. Take what you get.
- ▶ Analytical Solutions
 - ▶ $n = 1$
 - ▶ $n \geq 2$ coincident monopoles; axially symmetric
 - ▶ $n = 2$ Pre 2019: on (portions of) various axes and one plane. BE19
all \mathbb{R}^3
- ▶ Aim: to show how to use integrability to solve $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow (\Phi, A)$

Integrability

$$\mathcal{C} \longrightarrow (\Phi, A)$$

Equations

Zero Curvature/Lax

$$\xrightarrow{\dot{L}=[L,M]}$$

Spectral Curve \mathcal{C}

$$0 = \det(\eta 1_n - L(\zeta))$$



Reconstruction



Baker-Akhiezer Function

$$sU + C \in \text{Jac}(\mathcal{C}) \quad (\text{possibly Prym})$$

$$\theta(sU + C|\tau)$$

" θ -functions are still far from being a spectator sport." (L.V. Ahlfors)

For linear flow we require a cohomological condition: true in the case of Nahm's equations (Griffiths).

$$U = \frac{1}{2i\pi} (\oint_{\mathfrak{b}} \gamma_{\infty}) \quad H^0(\mathcal{C}, L^s) = 0 \iff \theta(sU + C|\tau) \neq 0, \quad s \in (0, 2)$$

$\mathcal{C} \longrightarrow (\Phi, A)$ Analogy with Instantons: Solve ADHM data $\longrightarrow A_{\mu} = v^{\dagger} \partial_{\mu} v$ Our programme: based on integrability.

1. We do not need to solve a differential eqn. \leftrightarrow gauge choice
2. Fields algebraic with one transcendent $\int \gamma_{\infty}$ as \mathcal{A}_n ansatz

Nahm Transform

$$\Delta W = 0$$

- ▶ Determine fundamental solution $\mathbf{V}_{2n \times 2n}$: $\Delta^\dagger \mathbf{V} = 0$
- ▶ Project: $\mathbf{V}\boldsymbol{\mu} = (\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$, $\int_I \mathbf{v}_a^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, s) \mathbf{v}_b(\mathbf{x}, s) ds = \delta_{ab}$

$$\Delta^\dagger \mathbf{v} = i \left(1_{2n} \frac{d}{ds} + i \sum_{j=1}^3 T_j(s) \otimes \sigma_j - \sum_{j=1}^3 x_j 1_n \otimes \sigma_j \right) \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, s)$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{w} = i \left(1_{2n} \frac{d}{ds} - i \sum_{j=1}^3 T_j(s) \otimes \sigma_j + \sum_{j=1}^3 x_j 1_n \otimes \sigma_j \right) \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}, s)$$

$$\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{V}^{\dagger -1}$$

Problems:

- ▶ We don't know T_i 's (needed to construct Δ^\dagger and \mathcal{Q}),
- ▶ How do we solve $\Delta^\dagger \mathbf{v} = 0$ or $\Delta \mathbf{w} = 0$?

$$\Delta w = 0$$

A lesser known Ansatz of Nahm

$$\blacktriangleright \text{ Let } \mathbf{y} = \left(\frac{1 + \zeta^2}{2i}, \frac{1 - \zeta^2}{2}, -\zeta \right) \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}} = \hat{\mathbf{u}}(\zeta) := i \frac{\mathbf{y} \times \bar{\mathbf{y}}}{\mathbf{y} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{y}}}$$

$$\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{1}_2 + \hat{\mathbf{u}}(\zeta) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) e^{-is[(x_1 - ix_2)\zeta - ix_3]} | \chi \rangle \otimes \hat{\mathbf{w}}(s)$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{w} = 0 \iff \begin{cases} 0 = (L(\zeta) - \eta) \hat{\mathbf{w}}(s), & \eta = 2\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{x} \\ 0 = \left(\frac{d}{ds} + M \right) \hat{\mathbf{w}}(s) \\ \text{Nahm eqn's.} \end{cases}$$

\blacktriangleright Need \mathbf{W} ($2n \times 2n$) for $\mathbf{V} = (\mathbf{W}^\dagger)^{-1}$

1. Given \mathbf{x} solve $P(2\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{x}, \zeta) = 0$ of degree $2n$ in ζ
Atiyah-Ward constraint
2. Let P_i be the corresponding $2n$ points on \mathcal{C} .
3. Construct the $2n \times 2n$ matrix $\mathbf{W} = (\mathbf{w}(P_i))$

Given the T_i 's

1. Construct the $2n \times 2n$ matrix $\mathbf{W} = (\mathbf{w}(P_i))$
2. $\mathbf{V} = (\mathbf{W}^\dagger)^{-1}$, $\Delta^\dagger \mathbf{V} = 0$
3. Construct the projector $\mathbf{V}\boldsymbol{\mu} = (\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$

$$0 = (L(\zeta) - \eta) \hat{\mathbf{w}}(s)$$
$$0 = \left(\frac{d}{ds} + M \right) \hat{\mathbf{w}}(s)$$

Solve $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ in terms of Baker-Akhiezer function

Theorem \mathcal{C} a smooth algebraic curve (genus $g_{\mathcal{C}}$) with $n \geq 1$ punctures $\{P_j\}_{j=1}^n$. Then for each set $\{\delta_k\}_{k=1}^{g_{\mathcal{C}}+n-1}$ of $g_{\mathcal{C}} + n - 1$ pts in gen. posn. $\exists!$ $\Psi_j(z, P)$ & loc. coords $w_j(P)$ ($w_j(P_j) = 0$), s.t.

1. $\Psi_j(z, P)$ is mero. $P \in \mathcal{C} \setminus \{P_j\}_{j=1}^n$ & at most simple poles at δ_s (if all of them are distinct);

2. $\Psi_j(z, P) = e^{z w_l^{-m}} \left(\delta_{jl} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \alpha_{jl}^k(z) w_l^k \right)$ $w_l = w_l(P), m \in \mathbb{N}^+$

Standard Scattering & BA function

Recall: $L := \beta - (\alpha + \alpha^\dagger)\zeta - \beta^\dagger\zeta^2$, $M := -\alpha - \beta^\dagger\zeta$, $\alpha = T_4 + iT_3$, $\beta = T_1 + iT_2$

$$(L - \eta)U = 0, \quad \left[\frac{d}{ds} + M \right] U = 0, \quad P(\eta, \zeta) := \det(\eta - L(\zeta)) = 0$$

$\det(\eta/\zeta^2 - L/\zeta^2) \sim \prod_{i=1}^n (\eta/\zeta^2 + \nu_i^\dagger)$ and so $\eta/\zeta \sim -\nu_i^\dagger\zeta$

$$U = g^\dagger{}^{-1}\Phi, \quad \left[\frac{d}{ds} - g^\dagger(\alpha + \alpha^\dagger)g^\dagger{}^{-1} \right] \Phi = \zeta\nu^\dagger\Phi.$$

From BA fn. Φ we can recover:

- ▶ $g^\dagger L g^\dagger{}^{-1} = h\nu h^{-1} - \dot{h}h^{-1}\zeta - \nu^\dagger\zeta^2$
- ▶ Ercolani-Sinha $g^\dagger T_i g^\dagger{}^{-1}$
- ▶ $h = g^\dagger g$

To recover the T_i 's and not just a gauge transform we need to solve a Matrix Factorization for g

Reconstructing the fields

$$W = (1 \otimes g^{\dagger-1}) \hat{W}, \quad V = (1 \otimes g) \hat{V}, \quad \hat{V} = \hat{W}^{\dagger-1}$$

where

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = (1_2 + \hat{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) e^{-is[(x_1 - ix_2)\zeta - ix_3 - x_4]} |s\rangle \otimes \Phi_{BA}$$

To reconstruct fields

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^{\dagger} V^{\dagger} \mathcal{Q}^{-1} \mathcal{O} V \mu &= \mu^{\dagger} \hat{V}^{\dagger} [(1 \otimes g^{\dagger}) \mathcal{Q}^{-1} (1 \otimes g)] \mathcal{O} \hat{V} \mu \\ &= \mu^{\dagger} \hat{V}^{\dagger} \mathcal{Q}'^{-1} (1 \otimes h) \mathcal{O} \hat{V} \mu \quad h = g^{\dagger} g \end{aligned}$$

$$Q' = (1 \otimes g^{\dagger}) \mathcal{Q} (1 \otimes g^{\dagger-1}) := \frac{1}{r^2} \mathcal{H} \mathcal{F}' \mathcal{H} - \mathcal{F}'$$

$$\mathcal{F}' = i \sum_{j=1}^3 \sigma_j \otimes g^{\dagger} T_j g^{\dagger-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \dot{h} h^{-1} & -i \nu^{\dagger} \\ i h \nu h^{-1} & -\frac{1}{2} \dot{h} h^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Some Further Remarks

Theorem: The extraction of norm. solns./construction of the projector μ is algebraic.

Theorem: $(V^\dagger Q^{-1} \mathcal{H} V)(s) = \text{constant}$, $(W^\dagger Q \mathcal{H} V)(s) = \text{constant}$,

Simplifications with Symmetry

Let $G \leq \text{Aut}(\mathcal{C})$, $\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}' := \mathcal{C}/G \Rightarrow \text{Jac}(\mathcal{C}) \sim_{\text{isog.}} \text{Jac}(\mathcal{C}') \times \mathcal{A}$. If $\eta^{n-2} d\zeta / \partial_\eta P$ is

- ▶ G -inv. $\Leftrightarrow U$ G -inv. $\Leftrightarrow U = \pi^* U'$, $U' \in \text{Jac}(\mathcal{C}')$ **Reduce to \mathcal{C}'**
- ▶ not G -inv. **Relate flow to \mathcal{A}**

Example $\omega = \exp(2\pi i/n)$, $(\eta, \zeta) \rightarrow (\omega\eta, \omega\zeta)$

C_n symmetric (centred) charge- n monopole curve of form

$$\hat{\mathcal{C}} : \eta^n + a_2 \eta^{n-2} \zeta^2 + \dots + a_n \zeta^n + \beta \zeta^{2n} + (-1)^n \beta = 0, \quad a_i, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \quad g_{\text{monopole}} = (n-1)^2$$

$\hat{\mathcal{C}}$ a $n : 1$ unbranched cover Aff. Toda Spectral Curve $\hat{\mathcal{C}}/C_n$ $g_{\text{Toda}} = (n-1)$

$$\mathcal{C} := \hat{\mathcal{C}}/C_n : y^2 = (x^n + a_2 x^{n-2} + \dots + a_n)^2 - 4(-1)^n \beta^2$$

Theorem: Any C_n symmetric monopole is gauge equivalent to Nahm data given by Sutcliffe's ansatz, and so obtained from the affine Toda eqns.

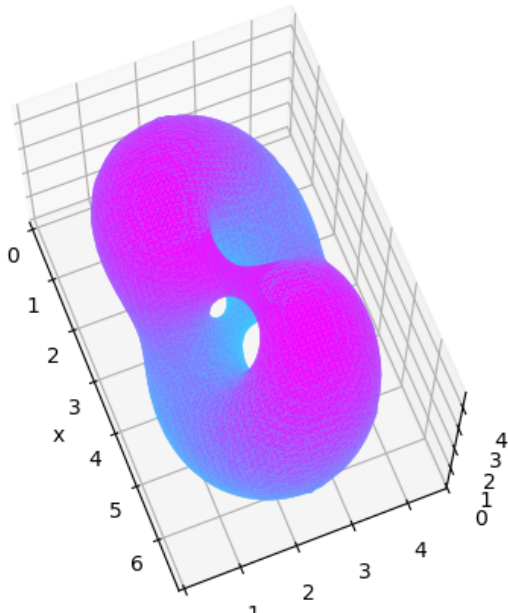
New Results

Theorem (BD-H): The charge-3 monopole spectral curves with $H \leq \text{Aut}(\mathcal{C})$ such that the quotient genus $g(\mathcal{C}/H) = 1$ may be classified.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \eta^3 + \alpha_2 \eta \zeta^2 + \alpha_3 \zeta^3 + \beta(\zeta^6 - 1), [BDE11] & \\
 & \swarrow \alpha_3=0 & \downarrow \alpha_2=0 \text{ and rotation} \\
 \eta^3 + \alpha_2 \eta \zeta^2 + \beta(\zeta^6 - 1), [BDH23] & & \eta^3 + c\zeta(\zeta^4 - 1), [HMM95 A_4] \\
 \downarrow \beta=0 & & \uparrow b=0 \\
 \eta[\eta^2 + \pi^2 \zeta^2], [Hit83] & \xleftarrow{c=0} & \eta^3 + b\eta \zeta^2 + c\zeta(\zeta^4 - 1), [HS96c C_4] \\
 \uparrow a=0 & & \uparrow a=0 \\
 \eta[\eta^2 + a(\zeta^4 + 1) + b\zeta^2], [HS96b] & \xleftarrow{c=0} & \eta^3 + \eta[a(\zeta^4 + 1) + b\zeta^2] + c\zeta(\zeta^4 - 1)
 \end{array}$$

H97, *BDH23* V_4

Charge-3 V4 Monopole Energy Density



Conclusion

- ▶ Reviewed the Nahm and Hitchin constructions of monopoles and the associated spectral curve.
- ▶ Shown how one may reconstruct the fields from the spectral curve.
- ▶ Indicated how symmetry may be used to reduce the curve and the problem.
- ▶ Described the possible forms of all charge-3 monopole spectral curves \mathcal{C} with non-trivial automorphism group H such that $g(\mathcal{C}) = 1$.
- ▶ Described a new class of such curves with V_4 symmetry solving the transcendental constraints.
- ▶ **The Challenge: how to find monopole spectral curves?**