

# **Aspects of finite-gap integration of the $SU(2)$ Bogomolny equations**

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**Yang-Mills-Higgs Lagrangian** in Minkowski space

$$-\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}D_{\mu}\Phi D_{\mu}\Phi$$

$$F_{ij} = \partial_i a_j - \partial_j a_i + [a_i, a_j], \quad D_i \Phi = \partial_i \Phi + [a_i, \Phi].$$

$F$ , curvature of a connections  $a_i(t, \mathbf{x})$  and Higgs field  $\Phi(t, \mathbf{x})$  are from  $SU(2)$ ,  $D_i$  -covariant derivative,  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

Static configuration,  $\partial_t a_i(t, \mathbf{x}) = \partial_t \Phi(t, \mathbf{x}) = 0$ , minimizing the energy of the system,

$$D_i \Phi = \pm \sum_{j,k=1}^3 \epsilon_{ijk} F_{jk}$$

**Bogomolny equation** together with boundary conditions

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

That is **monopole of the charge  $n$**

We develop **Atiyah-Drinfeld-Manin-Hitchin-Nahm** construction

### Step 1. Solve Nahm equations

$$\frac{dT_i(s)}{ds} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,k=1}^3 \epsilon_{ijk} [T_j(s), T_k(s)], \quad s \in [0, 2]$$

$T_i(s)$ : regular  $s \in (0, 2)$ , simple pole  $s = 0, 2$ ,  $\text{Res}_{s=0} T_i(s)$  irreducible  $n$ -dim. representation of  $su(2)$  also  $T_i(s) = -T_i^\dagger(s)$ ,  $T_i(s) = T_i^\dagger(2-s)$ .

### Step2. Solve Weyl equation, $s \in (0, 2)$

$$\left( -\imath 1_{2n} \frac{d}{ds} + \sum_{j=1}^3 (T_j(s) + \imath x_j) \otimes \sigma_j \right) \Upsilon(x, s) = 0.$$

Here  $\sigma_j$  - Pauli matrices

### Step 3. Choose orthonormal basis

$$\int_0^2 \Upsilon_\mu^\dagger(x, s) \Upsilon_\nu(x, s) ds = \delta_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\Phi(x)_{\mu\nu} = \imath \int_0^2 s \Upsilon_\mu^\dagger(x, s) \Upsilon_\nu(x, s) ds,$$

$$a_i(x)_{\mu\nu} = \imath \int_0^2 \Upsilon_\mu^\dagger(x, s) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \Upsilon_\nu(x, s) ds, \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

[Panagopoulos, 1983] computed antiderivatives

**Hitchin construction (1982,1983)** Lax representation

$$\frac{dA}{ds} = [A, M]$$

$$A = A_{-1}\zeta^{-1} + A_0 + A_1\zeta, \quad M = \frac{1}{2}A_0 + \zeta A_1$$

$$A_{\pm 1} = T_1 \pm iT_2, \quad A_0 = 2iT_3$$

The curve  $\mathcal{C}$  of genus  $g_{\mathcal{C}} = (n-1)^2$

$$\mathcal{C} = (\eta, \zeta) : \eta^n + a_1(\zeta)\eta^{n-1} + \dots + a_n(\zeta) = 0$$

is subjected to **Hitchin constraints**

Let  $L^\lambda$  – holomorphic line bundle on  $T\mathbb{P}^1$  defined by transition function  $g_{0,\infty} = \exp(-\lambda\eta/\zeta)$  on  $U_0 \cap U_\infty$  and similarly defined  $L^\lambda(m) = L^\lambda \otimes \mathcal{O}(m), g_{0,\infty} = \zeta^m \exp(-\lambda\eta/\zeta)$

**H1.**  $\mathcal{C}$  admits the involution  $(\zeta, \eta) \rightarrow (-1/\bar{\zeta}, -\bar{\eta}/\bar{\zeta}^2)$

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

**H3.**  $H^0(\mathcal{C}, L^\lambda(n-2)) = 0$  for  $\lambda \in (0, 2)$

**H2.**[Ercolani & Sinha, 1989, Braden & E, 2006]

$$\gamma_\infty(P)_{P \rightarrow \infty_i} = \left( \frac{\rho_i}{\xi^2} + O(1) \right) d\xi, \quad \oint_{\mathfrak{a}_k} \gamma_\infty = 0$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left( \oint_{\mathfrak{b}_1} \gamma_\infty, \dots, \oint_{\mathfrak{b}_n} \gamma_\infty \right)^T = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{n} + \frac{1}{2} \tau \mathbf{m},$$

$\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^g$ - **Ercolani-Sinha vectors**

[Braden & E,2006]: For the genus 4 curve

$$\mathcal{C} = (\zeta, \eta) : \quad \eta^3 = \chi \prod_{k=1}^6 (\zeta - \lambda_k)$$

**H2** means that the  $\mathcal{C}$  covers  $N$ -sheetedly elliptic curve  $\mathcal{E}$ , with modulus  $\tau_1$ ,  $\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ , and such homology basis exists that

$$\tau \sim \begin{pmatrix} \tau_1 & 1/N & 0 & 0 \\ 1/N & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \\ 0 & * & * & * \end{pmatrix}, \quad U = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $N$  (**Hopf number**) is given in terms of Ercolani-Sinha vectors  $\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{m}$ .

Resemblance to the condition for KdV-solution to be an elliptic soliton [Belokolos & E, 1994].

Equivalently **H2** means that the cover  $\pi$  is **tangential** in the sense of [Treibich & Verdier, 1990]

### Example: Tetrahedral monopole

$$\eta^3 + \chi(\zeta^6 + 5\sqrt{2}\zeta^3 - 1) = 0$$

[Hitchin & Manton & Murray, 1995] This curve admits tetrahedral symmetry.  $\tau$ -matrix is reduced to the form [Braden & E, 2006]

$$\tau \sim \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4}\rho & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{5\rho}{4} & \rho & 0 \\ 0 & \rho & 2\rho & \rho \\ 0 & 0 & \rho & \frac{2}{7} + \frac{6}{7}\rho \end{pmatrix}, \quad \rho^3 = 1, \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Conjecture: H2**  $\equiv \pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$  is **tangential**

**Conjecture: H2**  $\equiv \tau$ -matrix is expressible in terms of  $n, m$  and  $\text{Res}_{P \rightarrow \infty_i} \eta/\zeta$  only

To explain **H3** we shall first develop integration of the Nahm equations

Hitchin Lax representation leads to the non-standard spectral problem

$$\left( \frac{d}{dz} + \frac{1}{2} A_0(z) \right) \psi = -\zeta A_1(z) \psi$$

$$A_1(z) = C(z) A_1(0) C^{-1}(z) \quad \text{iff} \quad A'_1 = [\underbrace{C' C^{-1}}_{A_0/2}, A_1]$$

[Ercolani & Sinha, 1989]  $\psi = C(z)\phi$  leads to the **standard matrix spectral problem**

$$\phi' + Q_0 \phi = -\zeta A_1(0) \phi$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} Q_0 &= C^{-1} A_0 C \\ A_1(0) &= \text{Diag}(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_n), \\ \rho_i &= \text{Res}_{P=\infty_i} \frac{\eta}{\zeta} \end{aligned}$$

If  $Q_0$  is known then  $C$  should be found from

$$C' = \frac{1}{2} C Q_0$$

[Braden & E, 2006] Components of the eigenfunction  $\phi$ , i.e. sections of  $L^{z+1}(n-1)$  and the matrix  $Q_0(z)$  are

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_j(z, P) = & g_j(P) \exp \left\{ \int_{P_0}^P \gamma_\infty - z\nu_j \right\} \\ & \times \frac{\theta_{\frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2}} \left( \int_{\infty_j}^P \omega + zU - K \right) \theta_{\frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2}}(-K)}{\theta_{\frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2}} \left( \int_{\infty_j}^P \omega - K \right) \theta_{\frac{m}{2}, \frac{n}{2}}(zU - K)} \end{aligned}$$

Here  $g_j(P)$  form a basis of the holomorphic sections  $L(n-1)$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_0(z)_{j,l} = & \pm \frac{\rho_j - \rho_l}{E(\infty_j, \infty_l)} \exp \left\{ i\pi \mathbf{q} \cdot \int_{\infty_j}^{\infty_l} \omega \right\} \\ & \times \frac{\theta \left( \int_{\infty_j}^{\infty_l} \omega + (z+1)U - K \right)}{\theta((z+1)U - K)} e^{z(\nu_l - \nu_j)} \end{aligned}$$

Here  $E(P, Q)$ -prime-form.

## Resemblance to Euler top equation

$$\dot{M} = [\Omega, M]$$

$$M = I\Omega + \Omega I, \quad I = \text{Diag}(I_1, \dots, I_N)$$

$$n = 2, \quad \text{Nahm eqns. : } \frac{df_1}{ds} = f_2 f_3, \text{ etc.}$$

$$N = 3, \quad \text{Euler eqns. : } \frac{d\Omega_1}{dt} = \frac{I_2 - I_3}{I_1} \Omega_2 \Omega_3, \text{ etc.}$$

In [Dubrovin, 1977] Manakov's Lax representation was used to integrate the problem

$$\left[ \frac{d}{dt} - [I, V] + \zeta I, \quad \zeta I^2 - [I^2, V] \right] = 0, \quad [I, V] = \Omega$$

## Standard matrix spectral problem

$$\left\{ \frac{d}{dt} - \Omega \right\} \psi = -\zeta I \psi$$

Associated algebraic curve,

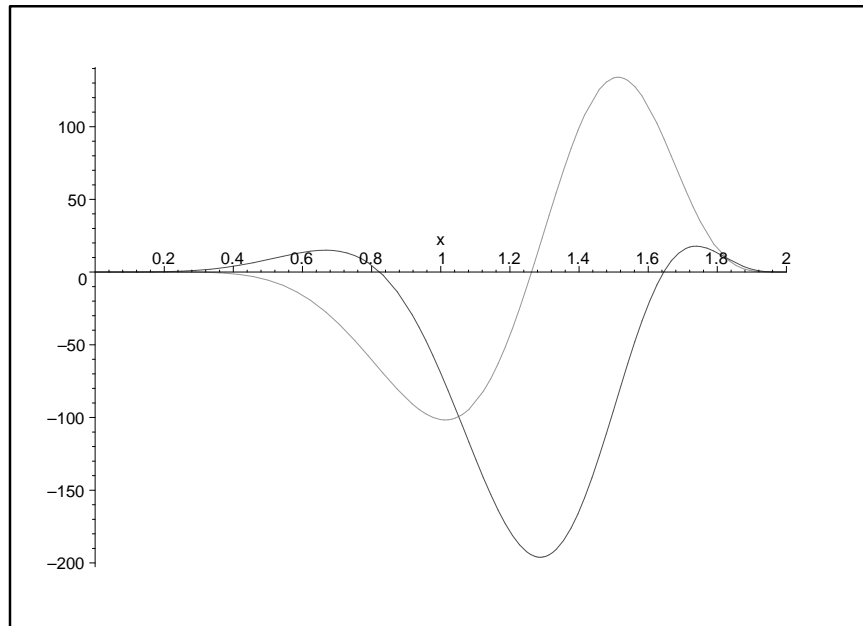
$$\det(\zeta I^2 - [I^2, V] + \eta 1_N) = 0$$

is of genus  $(N - 1)(N - 2)/2$

**H3.** There is no sections of  $L^{z+1}(n-2)$  at  $-1 < z < 1$ , i.e. there is no poles of  $\phi_j(P, z)$  at  $-1 < z < 1$ .

$U_s - K$  does not intersect  $\theta$ -divisor

$$\theta(U_s - K; \tau) \neq 0 \quad \text{at } s \in (0, 2)$$



Plot of the real and imaginary parts of the function  $\theta(U_x - K; \tau)$  in the case of tetrahedral monopole curve

**Nahm ansatz** [Nahm, 1982] Adjoint Weyl eq.:

$$\left( -\imath 1_{2n} \frac{d}{ds} - \sum_{j=1}^3 (T_j(s) + \imath x_j) \otimes \sigma_j \right) \Psi(x, s) = 0.$$

$$\Psi = (\Psi_1, \dots, \Psi_n) \text{ and } \Upsilon = (\Upsilon_1, \dots, \Upsilon_n)$$

$$\Upsilon = (\Psi^\dagger)^{-1}$$

Introduce two vectors,  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $|\mathbf{u}| = 1$  and  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{C}^3$

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{|\zeta|^2 + 1} (\imath(\zeta - \bar{\zeta}), -(\zeta + \bar{\zeta}), |\zeta|^2 - 1),$$

$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = -\imath \mathbf{v}$$

Nahm's Ansatz

$$\Psi = \left( 1_2 + \sum_{m=1}^3 \sigma_m u_m \right) \otimes \psi, \quad |\mathbf{u}| = 1$$

leads to the non-standard spectral problem

$$\left[ \imath 1_n \frac{d}{ds} + (\mathbf{T}(s) + \imath \mathbf{x} 1_n) \cdot \mathbf{u} \right] \psi = 0, \quad s \in (0, 2)$$

subjected to the **Atiyah-Ward constraint**

$$\det(\mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{T}(s) + \imath \mathbf{x} 1_n)) = 0$$

Set  $\eta = \imath \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{x}$ , then obtain Hitchin curve  $\mathcal{C} = (\eta, \zeta)$ , i.e. Atiyah-Ward constraint means that values of  $\zeta$  are roots  $\zeta_k, k = 1, \dots, n$  of  $2n$ -polynomial

$$(\imath \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{x})^n + a_1(\zeta)(\imath \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{x})^{n-1} + \dots + a_n(\zeta) = 0$$

Non-standard spectral problem by Nahm can be reduced to the standard spectral problem by the same trick as above,

$$\left( \frac{d}{ds} + A_{-1}(s) \right) \psi(s, \zeta) = \zeta^2 A_1(s) \psi(s, \zeta)$$

**Conclusion:** To calculate gauges  $a_i(\mathbf{x})$  and Higgs field  $\Phi(\mathbf{x})$  we need to know only values of the Baker-Akhiezer function

$$\psi(s, \zeta)|_{s=0,2, \zeta=\zeta_k}$$

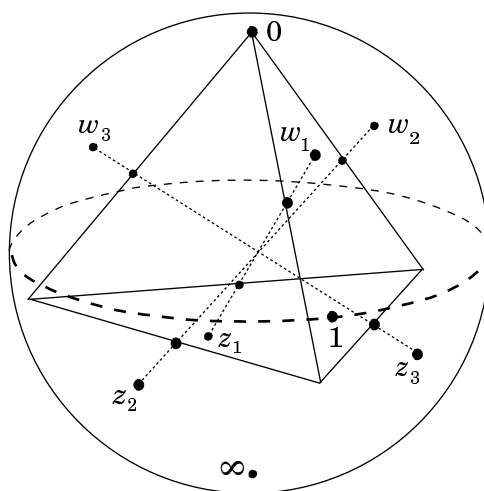
at boundaries of the segment  $[0,2]$  and spectral parameter fixed at the appropriate solutions of the Atiyah-Ward constrain.

**Charge three monopole** General 3-monopole curve be

$$\eta^3 + \eta a_2(\zeta) + a_6(\zeta) = 0$$

Consider particular case

$$\eta^3 + \chi(\zeta^6 + b\zeta^3 - 1) = 0, \quad b \in \mathbb{R}$$



At  $b = 5\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow$  Platonic solid: tetrahedron

[Braden & E]: **H1** & **H2** are satisfied iff

$$\frac{F\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; 1; t\right)}{F\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; 1; 1-t\right)} = f(t) \in \mathbb{Q}, \quad t = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 + 4}}{2\sqrt{b^2 + 4}}$$

In particular,

$$f(t_0) = 2 \implies t_0 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{18},$$

$$b = 5\sqrt{2} \implies \text{Tetrahedron}$$

[Ramanujan, 1914] Second Notebook: Let  $r$  (signature) and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\frac{F\left(\frac{1}{r}, \frac{r-1}{r}; 1; 1-x\right)}{F\left(\frac{1}{r}, \frac{r-1}{r}; 1; x\right)} = n \frac{F\left(\frac{1}{r}, \frac{r-1}{r}; 1; 1-y\right)}{F\left(\frac{1}{r}, \frac{r-1}{r}; 1; y\right)}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{P}(x, y) = 0$  is algebraic equation, find it!

**Ramanujan theory for signature 3,  $r = 3$ ,  $n = 2$**

$$(xy)^{\frac{1}{3}} + (1-x)^{\frac{1}{3}}(1-y)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 1$$

Set  $y = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $n = 2$  to obtain  $b = 5\sqrt{2}$ .

Other signatures: [Berndt & Bhargava & Garvan, 1995 ]

**Conjecture: Tetrahedral curve is the only monopole curve in the given class of curves**

$$\eta^3 + \chi(\zeta^6 + b\zeta^3 - 1) = 0, \quad b \in \mathbb{R}$$

Details: Braden and Enolski, arXiv: math-ph/060104, math-ph/0704.3939