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Reductions of multicomponent NLS and  
mKdV Equations with Nonvanishing  
Boundary Conditions

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# 1 NLS and MKdV eqs. on symmetric spaces

NLS and MKdV

$$iq_t + q_{xx} + 2\epsilon|q|^2q(x, t) = 0, \quad \epsilon = \pm 1,$$

$$q_t + q_{xxx} + 6\epsilon q^x q^2(x, t) = 0, \quad \epsilon = \pm 1,$$

have natural multicomponent generalizations related to the symmetric spaces Fordy, Kulish (1983). Lax representation:

$$L\psi \equiv \left( i \frac{xp}{p} + \mathcal{O}(x, t) - \lambda J \right) \psi(x, t, \lambda) = 0,$$

$$\mathcal{O}(x, t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d \\ b & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{I} \\ \mathbb{I} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$M_{\text{NLS}}^{\text{STIN}} \psi \equiv \left( i \frac{tp}{p} + V_1(x, t) + \lambda V_2(x, t) - 2\lambda^2 J \right) \psi(x, t, \lambda) = 0,$$

$$M_{\text{MKdV}}^{\text{VPKMM}} \psi \equiv \left( i \frac{tp}{p} + V_0(x, t) + \lambda V_1(x, t) + \lambda^2 V_2(x, t) - 4\lambda^3 J \right) \psi(x, t, \lambda)$$

$$= \psi(x, t, \lambda) C(\lambda),$$

$$V_2(x, t) = 4\hat{Q}(x, t), \quad V_1(x, t) = 2iJ\hat{Q}_x + 2J\hat{Q}_z, \quad V_0(x, t) = -\hat{Q}_{xx} - 2\hat{Q}_3.$$

MNLS eqs.:

$$i\hat{Q}\hat{Q}_z + \frac{\partial \hat{Q}}{\partial x^2} + 2\hat{Q}_3(x, t) = 0.$$

MMKDV eqs.:

$$\hat{Q}\hat{Q}_z + \frac{\partial \hat{Q}}{\partial x^3} + 3(\hat{Q}_x\hat{Q}_z + \hat{Q}_z\hat{Q}_x) = 0.$$

Local coordinates on symmetric spaces:

**A.III**-type  $SU(n+p)/S(U(n) \times U(p))$

$$\hat{Q}(x, t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{d} \\ \mathbf{b} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{I}_n \\ \mathbb{I}_p & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

**D.III**-type  $SO(2n)/S(O(n) \times O(n))$

$$\hat{Q}(x, t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{d} \\ \mathbf{b} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{I}_n \\ \mathbb{I}_n & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{Q} + S_0 \hat{Q} S_0^{-1} = 0$$

**BD.I-type**  $SO(n+2)/(SO(n) \times SO(2))$

$$\mathcal{Q}(x, t) = [J, X(x, t)] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \underline{p} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{0} & \underline{d} \\ 0 & s_0 \underline{q} & d_{T^*} s_0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{0} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{Q} + S_0 \mathcal{Q}^T S_0 = 0$$

$$S_0^{(k)} = \begin{cases} \sum_{s=0}^{k-1/2} (-1)^{k+1} E_{(k)}^{s, k+1-s} & \text{for } k = 2r \\ \sum_k^s (-1)^{k+1} E_{(k)}^{s, k+1-s} & \text{for } k = 2r + 1 \end{cases}$$

**C.I-type**  $SP(2n)/SU(n)$

$$\mathcal{Q}(x, t) = [J, X(x, t)] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{d} \\ 0 & \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{1}_n \\ 0 & -\mathbb{1}_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{Q} + S_1 \mathcal{Q}^T S_1 = 0$$

$$S_1^{(k)} = \sum_{s=0}^{k-1/2} (-1)^{k+1} (E_{(k)}^{s, k+1-s} - E_{(k)}^{k+1-s, s}).$$

Mikhailov's reduction group  $G_R$  (1981)

$G_R$  is a finite group which preserves the Lax representation.

- i)  $G_R \subset \text{Aut} \mathfrak{g}$  and
- ii)  $G_R \subset \text{Conf } \mathbb{C}$ .

$$g_k \iff C_k(L(\Gamma^k(\lambda))) = \eta^k L(\lambda), \quad g_k \iff C_k(M(\Gamma^k(\lambda))) = \eta^k M(\lambda),$$

where  $C_k \in \text{Aut } \mathfrak{g}$  and  $\Gamma^k(\lambda) \in \text{Conf } \mathbb{C}$ . For each  $g_k$  there exist an integer  $N_k$  such that  $g_k^{N_k} = \mathbb{1}$ . If  $N_k = 2$  then  $G_R \simeq \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

$$[L, M] = 0, \quad L \equiv i \frac{dx}{dt} + U(x, t, \lambda), \quad M \equiv i \frac{dy}{dt} + V(x, t, \lambda),$$

$$U(x, t, \lambda) = Q(x, t) - \lambda J, \quad V(x, t, \lambda) = V_1(x, t) + \lambda V_2(x, t) - 2\lambda^2 J,$$

Reductions:

- 1)  $C_1(U^\dagger(\kappa_1(\lambda))) = U(\lambda), \quad C_1(V^\dagger(\kappa_1(\lambda))) = V(\lambda),$
- 2)  $C_2(U_T(\kappa_2(\lambda))) = -U(\lambda), \quad C_2(V_T(\kappa_2(\lambda))) = -V(\lambda),$
- 3)  $C_3(U^*(\kappa_1(\lambda))) = -U(\lambda), \quad C_3(V^*(\kappa_1(\lambda))) = -V(\lambda),$
- 4)  $C_4(U(\kappa_2(\lambda))) = U(\lambda), \quad C_4(V(\kappa_2(\lambda))) = V(\lambda),$



Choices: a)  $C_k \in \mathfrak{h}$  - Cartan subgroup; b)  $C_k \in \mathfrak{M}$  - Weyl group.  
 Reductions 1a) - well known, typical.

Reductions must be compatible with the dispersion law:

$$C_1(f(k_1(\lambda))) = f(\lambda)$$

$$f_{\text{MNL}} = -2\lambda^2 J \iff C_k(J) = J, \quad k_k(\lambda) = \lambda^* ;$$

$$f_{\text{MKV}} = -4\lambda^3 J \iff \begin{cases} C_1(J) = J, & k_1(\lambda) = \lambda^* \\ C_2(J) = -J, & k_2(\lambda) = -\lambda \end{cases} ;$$

Reductions acting on  $\lambda$  trivially: they restrict  $U(x, t, \lambda)$  and  $V(x, t, \lambda)$  on the subalgebra  $\mathfrak{g}_0$  which is stable with respect to  $C_k$ .

**Example:** choose **A.III** of the form  $SU(2n)/S(U(n) \times U(n))$  and take reduction 2b) with  $C_2 = S_0$ . Then we get  $L$  and  $M$  which are related to

**D.III** symmetric space.

## 2 MNLS eqs on BD.I-symmetric spaces

These symmetric spaces are  $SO(n+2)/SO(n) \times SO(2)$ .

$$L\psi = \left( i \frac{p}{\psi} + U(x, t, \lambda) \right) \psi(x, t, \lambda) = 0,$$

$$U(x, \lambda) = q(x, t) - \lambda J, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \vec{b} & 0 \\ \vec{d} & 0 & d^T s_0 \\ 0 & s_0 \vec{q} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$i\partial_t \vec{q} + \partial_x^2 \vec{q} + 2(\vec{d}, \vec{q})(\vec{q}, \vec{d}) - (\vec{q}, s_0 \vec{d}) s_0 \vec{d} = 0, \\ i\partial_t \vec{q} - \partial_x^2 \vec{q} - 2(\vec{d}, \vec{q})(\vec{q}, \vec{d}) + (\vec{q}, s_0 \vec{d}) s_0 \vec{d} = 0,$$

Typical reduction for  $n = 3$  with  $K_1 = \text{diag}(\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, 1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_1)$ ,  $\epsilon_1^2 = 1$ ,

$$p_2 = \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 q_2^*, \quad p_3 = \epsilon_1 q_3^*, \quad p_4 = \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 q_4^*;$$

gives a 3-component system of NLS equation

$$iq_{2,t} + q_{2,xx} + 2\epsilon_1(\epsilon_2|q_2|^2 + |q_3|^2)q_2 + \epsilon_1\epsilon_2q_3^*q_4^* = 0,$$

$$a = \frac{n}{z^2 - \mu^2}, \quad n = -2\mu, \cdot$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= e^{\epsilon_1} e^{\nu(x-ut)} |n_{0,1}|^2 + \epsilon_2 (|n_{0,2}|^2 + |n_{0,4}|^2 + |n_{0,3}|^2 + \epsilon_1 e^{-2\nu(x-ut)} |n_{0,5}|^2), \\ q_4 &= \frac{\Delta}{-2i\nu} e^{-i\mu(x-ut)} \left( e^{\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,1} n_{0,4}^* + \epsilon_1 e^{-\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,2} n_{0,5}^* \right), \\ q_3 &= \frac{\Delta}{-2i\nu} e^{-i\mu(x-ut)} \left( e^{\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,1} n_{0,3}^* - \epsilon_1 e^{-\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,3} n_{0,5}^* \right), \\ q_2 &= \frac{\Delta}{-2i\nu} e^{-i\mu(x-ut)} \left( e^{\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,1} n_{0,2}^* + \epsilon_1 e^{-\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,4} n_{0,5}^* \right), \end{aligned}$$

Its soliton solution is given by

$$\begin{aligned} i q_{4,t} + q_{4,xx} + 2\epsilon_1 (\epsilon_2 |q_4|^2 + |q_3|^2) q_4 + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 q_3^* q_2^* &= 0, \\ i q_{3,t} + q_{3,xx} + 2\epsilon_1 q_2 q_4 q_3^* + \epsilon_1 (2\epsilon_2 |q_2|^2 + 2\epsilon_2 |q_4|^2 + |q_3|^2) q_3 &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

A second reduction via a Weyl reflection  $S^{e_2}$ :

$$K_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad p_2 = q_4^*, \quad p_3 = -q_3^*, \quad p_4 = q_2^*.$$

gives rise to another inequivalent system of 3 NLS equations

$$\begin{aligned} i q_{2,t} + q_{2,xx} + 2(q_2 q_4^*)^2 - |q_3|^2 q_2 + q_3^2 q_2^* &= 0, \\ i q_{3,t} + q_{3,xx} - 2q_2 q_4 q_3^* + (2q_2 q_4^*)^2 + 2q_4 q_2^* - |q_3|^2 q_3 &= 0, \\ i q_{4,t} + q_{4,xx} + 2(q_4 q_2^*)^2 - |q_3|^2 q_4 + q_3^2 q_4^* &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have the following one soliton solution

$$\begin{aligned} q_2 &= \frac{\Delta}{-2i\nu} e^{-i\mu(x-\nu t)} \left( e^{\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,1} n_{0,4}^* + e^{-\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,3} n_{0,5}^* \right), \\ q_3 &= \frac{\Delta}{2i\nu} e^{-i\mu(x-\nu t)} \left( e^{\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,1} n_{0,3}^* + e^{-\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,3} n_{0,5}^* \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$(6) \quad \nabla = e^{2\nu(x-ut)} |n_{0,1}|_2 - 2\epsilon_2 |n_{0,2}|_2 - |n_{0,3}|_2 + e^{-2\nu(x-ut)} |n_{0,5}|_2,$$

$$(5) \quad q_3 = \frac{\nabla}{2i\nu} e^{-i\mu(x-vt)} \left( e^{\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,1} n_{0,3}^* + e^{-\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,3} n_{0,5}^* \right),$$

$$(4) \quad q_2 = \frac{\nabla}{2i\nu} e^{-i\mu(x-vt)} \left( e^{\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,1} n_{0,2}^* + e^{-\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,2} n_{0,5}^* \right),$$

and its one soliton solution takes the form

$$(3) \quad iq_{3,t} + q_{3,xx} - (4\epsilon_2 |q_2|^2 + |q_3|^2) q_3 + 2\epsilon_2 (q_2)^2 q_3^* = 0.$$

$$(2) \quad iq_{2,t} + q_{2,xx} - 2(\epsilon_2 |q_2|^2 + |q_3|^2) q_2 + q_3^2 q_2^* = 0,$$

and we obtain the following system of two equations

$$(1) \quad p_{2,4} = -\epsilon_2 q_{2,4}^*, \quad q_2 = -\epsilon_2 q_4, \quad p_3 = -q_3^*.$$

Next we consider a  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  reduction, which is a combination of reductions with  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ . This is possible only for  $\epsilon_1 = -1$ . Then

$$q_4 = \frac{\nabla}{-2i\nu} e^{-i\mu(x-vt)} \left( e^{\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,1} n_{0,2}^* + e^{-\nu(x-ut)} n_{0,2} n_{0,5}^* \right),$$

$$\nabla = e^{2\nu(x-ut)} |n_{0,1}|_2 + (n_{0,2} n_{0,4}^* + n_{0,2}^* n_{0,4}) - |n_{0,3}|_2 + e^{-2\nu(x-ut)} |n_{0,5}|_2.$$

$${}_T(u^1, \dots, u^n) = \underline{d} \quad , \quad {}_T(b^1, \dots, b^n) = \underline{b}$$

component vectors

It will be convenient to introduce the following notations for the  $n$ -

$$\begin{aligned} V_0(x, t) &= -\partial_2^{xx} b + \frac{1}{2} [\text{ad}_{-1}^f b, \text{ad}_{-1}^f b, q(x, t)] + i [\partial_x b, q], \\ V_2(x, t) &= q(x, t), \quad V_1(x, t) = i \text{ad}_{-1}^f \partial_x b + \frac{1}{2} [\text{ad}_{-1}^f b, q(x, t)], \\ M\psi(x, t, \lambda) &\equiv i \partial^t \psi + (V_0(x, t) + \lambda V_1(x, t) + \lambda^2 V_2(x, t) - \lambda^3 J) \psi(x, t, \lambda), \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

The  $M$ -operator for the MMKdV equations takes the form

### 3 MMKdV eqs on BD.I-symmetric spaces

$$v = \frac{\mu}{\nu^2 - \mu^2}, \quad n = -2\mu. \quad (7)$$

$$\partial_t \vec{q} + \partial_3^{xxx} \vec{q} + \mathfrak{I} |\vec{q}| \partial_2 \vec{q} + \mathfrak{I} (\partial_x \vec{q}, \vec{q}) \partial_x \vec{q} - \mathfrak{I} (\partial_x \vec{q} s_0 \vec{q}) s_0 \vec{q} = 0.$$

Then we obtain the following reduced systems of MMKDV

$$(12) \quad U^\dagger(\lambda) = U(\lambda), \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \vec{p} = \vec{q}_*.$$

Consider a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  reduction of the type

$$\begin{aligned} i \vec{p}_t - \vec{p}^{xx} - 2(\vec{q}, \vec{p}) \vec{p} + (\vec{p}, s_0 \vec{p}) s_0 \vec{p} &= 0, \\ i \vec{q}_t + \vec{q}^{xx} + 2(\vec{q}, \vec{p}) \vec{q} - (\vec{q}, s_0 \vec{q}) s_0 \vec{p} &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

Analogously the MNLS eqs. generalizing the vector NLS are:

$$(11) \quad \partial_t \vec{p} + \partial_3^{xxx} \vec{p} + \mathfrak{I} (\vec{p}, \vec{q}) \partial_x \vec{p} + \mathfrak{I} (\partial_x \vec{p}, \vec{q}) \vec{p} - \mathfrak{I} (\partial_x \vec{p} s_0 \vec{p}) s_0 \vec{p} = 0, \quad (11)$$

$$(10) \quad \partial_t \vec{q} + \partial_3^{xxx} \vec{q} + \mathfrak{I} (\vec{p}, \vec{q}) \partial_x \vec{q} + \mathfrak{I} (\partial_x \vec{q}, \vec{p}) \vec{q} - \mathfrak{I} (\partial_x \vec{q} s_0 \vec{q}) s_0 \vec{p} = 0, \quad (10)$$

The MMKDV equations can be written down in compact form as

$$(9) \quad S_0 = \sum_{k=1}^{n+2} (-1)^{k+1} E_{k, 2r+2-k} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -s_0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and also the matrices  $S_0$  and  $s_0$

and MNLS

$$i\vec{q}_t + \vec{q}_{xx} + 2(\vec{q}^\dagger, \vec{q})\vec{q} - (\vec{q}, s_0\vec{q})s_0\vec{q}^* = 0,$$

Applications: for  $n = 2$  and  $n = 3$  describe  $F = 1$  and  $F = 2$  BEC (Wadati (2006)).

The 1-soliton solution of the MMKdV reads

$$q_k = \frac{e^{-i\nu e^{-i\mu(x-\nu t-\delta_0)}}}{\cosh(2\nu(x-\nu t-\xi_0)) + \mathcal{C}} \left( e^{\nu(x-\nu t-\xi_0)} c_k^* + (-1)^k e^{-\nu(x-\nu t-\xi_0)} c^{n+3-k} \right),$$

$$c_k = \frac{n_{0,k}}{\sqrt{|n_{0,1}| |n_{0,n+2}|}}, \quad k = 2, \dots, 2r, \quad \mathcal{C} = \sum_{2r}^{k=2} |n_{0,k}|^2 / 2 |n_{0,1}| |n_{0,n+2}|,$$

$$\nu = \nu_2 - 3\mu_2, \quad n = 3\nu_2 - \mu_2, \quad \delta_0 = \frac{\mu}{\arg n_{0,1}}, \quad \xi_0 = \frac{1}{2\nu} \ln \frac{|n_{0,1}|}{|n_{0,n+2}|}.$$

provided we have fixed  $\arg n_{0,1} = -\arg n_{0,n+2}$  by using the natural  $U(1)$  symmetry of the solution.

Consider  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  reduction of MKdV related to  $so(5)$  with

$$KU^\dagger(-\lambda^*)K^{-1} = U(\lambda), \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad Kq^\dagger K^{-1} = q, \quad KJK^{-1} = -J$$



$$(15) \quad U_T(-\lambda) = -U(\lambda), \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad q_T^- = -q,$$

Applying another  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  reduction of the type

$$(14) \quad (\lambda_{\mp}^*)_{\mp} = -\lambda_{\mp}^*, \quad |n\rangle = SK|n\rangle^*, \quad |m\rangle = \langle m|_*(SK)^{-1}.$$

or

$$(13) \quad \lambda_+ = -(\lambda_-)^*, \quad |m\rangle = K|n\rangle^*,$$

As a consequence of the reduction we have

$$q_3 = -\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 q_1^*, \quad p_3 = -\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 p_1^*, \\ q_2 = -\epsilon_1 q_2^*, \quad p_2 = -\epsilon_1 p_2^*.$$

The following interrelations hold true

is the Weyl reflection with respect to the hyperplane orthogonal to  $e_1$ .

$$W_{e_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \epsilon_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\epsilon_1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\epsilon_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

we obtain that

$$\lambda_+ = -\lambda_-, \quad |m\rangle = |n\rangle. \quad (16)$$

The corresponding system of MKdV is

$$\begin{aligned} q_{2,t} + q_{2,xxx} - 3(q_2 q_3)_x q_3 + 3\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 q_3 q_2^* q_{3,x} - 6q_2^2 q_{2,x} &= 0, \\ q_{3,t} + q_{3,xxx} + 3\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 |q_2|^2 q_3 - 3(q_2 q_3)_x q_2 - 3(q_2^* q_3)_x q_2^* - 3q_2^2 q_{3,x} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

and is new to the best of our knowledge. Again two types of solitons.

The **doublet soliton**  $\rightarrow \lambda_{\pm} = \pm i\nu$  and  $|n\rangle = SK|n\rangle^*$  and is given by

$$\begin{aligned} q_2 &= \frac{i\nu e^{i\delta_0}}{e^{\nu(x-vt-\xi_0)} c_2 + e^{-\nu(x-vt-\xi_0)} c_4} \left( e^{\nu(x-vt-\xi_0)} c_2 + e^{-\nu(x-vt-\xi_0)} c_4 \right), \\ q_3 &= \frac{2i\nu c_3 e^{i\delta_0} \sinh \nu(x-vt-\xi_0) + \epsilon_1 \cosh 2\nu(x-vt-\xi_0) + \epsilon}{\epsilon_1 \cosh 2\nu(x-vt-\xi_0) + \epsilon}, \quad \delta_0 = \arg n_{0,1} = \arg n_{0,5} = \frac{2}{l\pi}, \quad l \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \mathcal{C} &= (2\epsilon_2 \operatorname{Re}(n_{0,2} n_{0,4}) + |n_{0,3}|^2 / 2 |n_{0,1}| |n_{0,5}|), \\ c_1^* &= -\epsilon_1 c_1, \quad c_2^* = -\epsilon_2 c_4, \quad c_3^* = -c_3, \quad c_4^* = -\epsilon_1 c_5, \quad c_k = \frac{\sqrt{|n_{0,1}| |n_{0,n+2}|}}{n_{0,k}}, \end{aligned}$$

$q_3$  is either real or purely imaginary valued function.

### The quadruplet soliton solution:

$$u(x, t, \lambda) = \mathbb{1} + \frac{A(x, t)}{\lambda - \lambda_0} - \frac{KSA^*(x, t)SK}{\lambda + \lambda_0^*} - \frac{SA(x, t)S}{\lambda + \lambda_0} + \frac{KA^*(x, t)K}{\lambda - \lambda_0^*}. \quad (17)$$

$$q(x, t) = [J, A - KSA^*SK - SAS + KA^*K](x, t). \quad (18)$$

Find the matrix  $A(x, t) = XF^T -$  algebraic set of equations. Here  $X$  and  $F$  are rectangular matrices of rank  $s \leq r$  and  $\lambda_0 = \mu + i\nu$ . It can be checked that

$$F(x, t) = e^{i(\lambda_0 x + \lambda_0^3 t)J} F_0, \quad F_0 = \text{const.}$$

In the simplest  $s = 1$  case for the factor  $X$  one can obtain the following

$$X = \frac{a^*F + bSKF^* - cKF^*}{|a|_2^2 + b^2 - c^2},$$

where  $\phi_{\pm}^{\text{R}} = \phi_{\text{R}} \pm \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{|F_{0,2}|}{|F_{0,4}|}$ ,  $\phi_{\pm}^{\text{I}} = \phi_{\text{I}} \pm \arg F_{0,4}$  and

$$a(x, t) = \frac{|F_{0,1}F_{0,5}| \lambda_0}{\cosh 2(\phi_{\text{R}} - i\phi_{\text{I}}) + \mathcal{C}_a}, \quad \mathcal{C}_a = \frac{2|F_{0,1}F_{0,5}|}{F_{0,2}^2 + F_{0,3}^2 + F_{0,4}^2},$$

$$b(x, t) = \frac{i|F_{0,1}F_{0,5}| \nu}{\cosh 2\phi_{\text{R}} + \mathcal{C}_b}, \quad \mathcal{C}_b = \frac{2|F_{0,1}F_{0,5}|}{2\text{Re}(F_{0,2}^*F_{0,4}) + |F_{0,3}|^2},$$

$$c(x, t) = \frac{\mu}{|\mathcal{C}_a|} (\cos 2\phi_{\text{I}} + \mathcal{C}_c), \quad \mathcal{C}_c = \frac{2|F_{0,1}F_{0,5}|}{|F_{0,2}|^2 - |F_{0,3}|^2 + |F_{0,4}|^2},$$

$$\phi_{\text{R}} = \nu \left( x - \nu t - \frac{1}{2\nu} \ln \frac{|F_{0,1}|}{|F_{0,5}|} \right), \quad \phi_{\text{I}} = \mu \left( x - \nu t - \frac{\mu}{\arg F_{0,5}} \right),$$

and  $\arg F_{0,1} = -\arg F_{0,5}$ . Thus for  $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 = 1$  one derives

$$q_2 = \frac{2\sqrt{|F_{0,1}F_{0,2}F_{0,4}F_{0,5}|}}{|a|_2 + b_2 - c_2} \{ a^* \cosh(\phi_{\text{R}}^- - i\phi_{\text{I}}^-) - b(\cosh(\phi_{\text{R}}^- + i\phi_{\text{I}}^-) + \cosh(\phi_{\text{R}}^+ - i\phi_{\text{I}}^+)) \},$$

$$q_3 = \frac{2i\sqrt{|F_{0,1}F_{0,5}|}}{|a|_2 + b_2 - c_2} \text{Im} \{ (b + c) \sinh(\phi_{\text{R}} + i\phi_{\text{I}}) - a^* \sinh(\phi_{\text{R}} - i\phi_{\text{I}}) \}_{F_{0,3}},$$

## 4 ISM - Generalized Fourier Transform

**Theorem 1** (see VSG (1996)). The sets  $\{\Psi\}$  and  $\{\Phi\}$  form complete sets of functions in  $M_J$ . The corresponding completeness relation has the form:

$$\delta(x-y)\Pi_{0J} = \frac{1}{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\lambda (G_+(x, y, \lambda) - G_-(x, y, \lambda)) \sum_N^{j=1} (G_+^j(x, y) + G_-^j(x, y)),$$

where

$$\Pi_{0J} = \sum_{i>r} (E_{ir} \otimes E_{ri} - E_{ri} \otimes E_{ir}),$$

$$G_+(x, y, \lambda) = \sum_{i>r} e_{+}^{ir} \otimes e_{+}^{ri}(x, \lambda) \otimes e_{+}^{ir}(y, \lambda), \quad G_-(x, y, \lambda) = \sum_{i>r} e_{-}^{ir} \otimes e_{-}^{ri}(x, \lambda) \otimes e_{-}^{ir}(y, \lambda),$$

$$G_+^j(x, y) = \sum_{i>r} e_{+}^{ir;j}(x) \otimes e_{+}^{ri;j}(y) + e_{+}^{ir;j}(x) \otimes e_{+}^{ri;j}(y),$$

$$G_-^j(x, y) = \sum_{i>r} e_{-}^{ir;j}(x) \otimes e_{-}^{ri;j}(y) + e_{-}^{ir;j}(x) \otimes e_{-}^{ri;j}(y),$$

$$(20) \quad \mathcal{Q}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\pi}{\lambda} p \sum_{i>j}^{\infty} (\lambda)_{+}^{i,j} \Phi_{+}(\lambda)_{+}^{i,j} d - (\lambda)_{-}^{i,j} \Phi_{-}(\lambda)_{-}^{i,j} d - \sum_{N} \sum_{k=1}^{i>j} 2 -$$

$$(19) \quad \mathcal{Q}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\pi}{\lambda} p \sum_{i>j}^{\infty} (\lambda)_{+}^{i,j} \Phi_{+}(\lambda)_{+}^{i,j} d - (\lambda)_{-}^{i,j} \Phi_{-}(\lambda)_{-}^{i,j} d + \sum_{N} \sum_{k=1}^{i>j} 2 +$$

Skipping the calculational details we get the following expansion of  $\mathcal{Q}(x)$  over the systems  $\{\Phi_{\pm}\}$  and  $\{\Psi_{\pm}\}$ :

## 4.1 Expansions of $\mathcal{Q}(x)$ .

## 4.2 Expansions of $\text{ad}_{-1}^f \delta Q(x)$ .

Next we get the following expansion of  $\text{ad}_{-1}^f \delta Q(x)$  over the systems  $\{\Phi_{\mp}\}$  and  $\{\Psi_{\mp}\}$ :

$$(21) \quad \text{ad}_{-1}^f \delta Q(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2\pi}{i} \sum_{i>r} \rho \lambda \left( \delta_{+}^{\tau_{i,j}}(\lambda) \Phi_{+}^{\tau_{i,j}}(x, \lambda) + \delta_{-}^{\tau_{i,j}}(\lambda) \Phi_{-}^{\tau_{i,j}}(x, \lambda) \right)$$

$$(22) \quad + \sum_N \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i>r}}^{k=1} \left( \delta_{+}^{\tau_{i,j}} M_{+} - \delta_{-}^{\tau_{i,j}} M_{-} \right),$$

$$\text{ad}_{-1}^f \delta Q(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2\pi}{i} \sum_{i>r} \rho \lambda \left( \delta_{+}^{\tau_{i,j}}(\lambda) \Psi_{+}^{\tau_{i,j}}(x, \lambda) + \delta_{-}^{\tau_{i,j}}(\lambda) \Psi_{-}^{\tau_{i,j}}(x, \lambda) \right)$$

$$(23) \quad + \sum_N \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i>r}}^{k=1} \left( \delta_{+}^{\tau_{i,j}} M_{+} - \delta_{-}^{\tau_{i,j}} M_{-} \right),$$

where

$$(24) \quad \delta_{\mp}^{\tau_{i,j}} M_{\mp} = \delta_{\mp}^{\tau_{i,j}} \lambda \rho_{\mp} + \delta_{\mp}^{\tau_{i,j}} \Phi_{\mp} + \delta_{\mp}^{\tau_{i,j}} \Psi_{\mp},$$

$$(25) \quad \begin{aligned} (V^+ - \lambda)\Phi_+^{r;?}(x, \lambda) = 0, & \quad (V^- - \lambda)\Phi_-^{r;?}(x, \lambda) = 0, \\ (V^+ - \lambda)\Psi_-^{r;?}(x, \lambda) = 0, & \quad (V^- - \lambda)\Psi_+^{r;?}(x, \lambda) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Expansions over the 'squared solutions'. Introduce the generating operators  $\Lambda_{\mp}$  through:

$$D_0 = -id/dx, \quad e^{i\lambda x}, \quad D_0 e^{i\lambda x} = \lambda e^{i\lambda x}$$

Standard Fourier transform

### 4.3 The generating operators

These expansions establish the one-to-one correspondence between  $\mathcal{Q}(x)$  and each of the minimal sets of scattering data  $\mathcal{T}_1$  and  $\mathcal{T}_2$  as well as one-to-one correspondence between the variation of the potential  $\delta\mathcal{Q}(x)$  and the variations of the scattering data  $\delta\mathcal{T}_1$  and  $\delta\mathcal{T}_2$ .

$$(24) \quad \delta' \tilde{W}_{\mp}^{ab;j}(x) = \delta \lambda_{\mp}^j \rho_{\mp}^{ab;j} \Psi_{\mp}^{ab;j}(x) + \delta \rho_{\mp}^{ab;j} \Psi_{\mp}^{ab;j}(x) \quad (24)$$



$$(31) \quad (V_{\mp} - \mathbb{1}) e_{\mp}^{qv}(\lambda, x) = [C_{\mp}^{p, \varepsilon; qv}(\lambda), \text{ad}_{\mp}^{-1} \mathcal{O}(x)],$$

Next insert (29) into (28) and act on both sides by  $\text{ad}_{\mp}^{-1}$ . This gives us:

$$(30) \quad C_{\mp}^{p, \varepsilon; qv}(\lambda) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, y), \quad \varepsilon = \pm 1.$$

$$(29) \quad e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x) = C_{\mp}^{p, \varepsilon; qv}(\lambda) + \int_x^{\infty} dy [\mathcal{O}(y), e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, y)],$$

Eq. (27) can be integrated formally with the result

$$(28) \quad \frac{d}{dx} e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x) + [\mathcal{O}(x), e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x)] = \lambda [J, e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x)],$$

$$(27) \quad \frac{d}{dx} e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x) + [\mathcal{O}(x), e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x)] = 0,$$

we get

$$(26) \quad e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x) = e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x) + e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x) - P_{0J} e_{\mp}^{p, qv}(\lambda, x),$$

Their derivation starts by introducing the splitting:

i.e.,  $\Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x)$  and  $\Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x)$  are adjoint eigenfunctions of  $\Lambda_{+}$  and  $\Lambda_{-}$ . Therefore  $\lambda_{\mp}^{\ell}, \nu = 1, \dots, N$  are discrete eigenvalues also of  $\Lambda_{\mp}$  but the

$$(33) \quad \begin{aligned} \Phi_{-}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) &= \Phi_{-}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{-}^{\ell} - V) & \Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) &= \Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{+}^{\ell} - V) \\ \Phi_{-}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) &= \Phi_{-}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{-}^{\ell} + V) & \Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) &= \Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{+}^{\ell} + V) \end{aligned}$$

$$(34) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &= \Phi_{-}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{-}^{\ell} - V) & 0 &= \Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{+}^{\ell} - V) \\ 0 &= (\lambda, x) \Phi_{-}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{-}^{\ell} - V) & 0 &= (\lambda, x) \Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{+}^{\ell} - V) \end{aligned}$$

$$(35) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &= \Phi_{-}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{-}^{\ell} + V) & 0 &= \Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{+}^{\ell} + V) \\ 0 &= (\lambda, x) \Phi_{-}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{-}^{\ell} + V) & 0 &= (\lambda, x) \Phi_{+}^{\ell; \mu; \nu}(x) (\lambda_{+}^{\ell} + V) \end{aligned}$$

0. Thus we find  $(\nu > \mu)$ :

Thus  $e_{\mp}^{ab}(x, \lambda)$  will be an eigenfunction of  $\Lambda_{+}$  or  $\Lambda_{-}$  if only if  $C_{\mp}^{ab}(y, \lambda) =$

$$(32) \quad \Lambda_{\mp} X(x) \text{ ad}_{-1}^{\ell} \left( \frac{xp}{X} + \int_x^{\infty \mp} dy [\partial(y), X(y)] \right) \cdot$$

where the generating operators  $\Lambda_{\mp}$  are given by:

$$(37) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \mp \infty} \mathbf{q}(x, t) = \mathbf{q}_{\mp}, \quad \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{+} = \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{-} + \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{+}, \quad \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{-} = \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{+} - \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{-}, \quad \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{+} = \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{-} + \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{+}, \quad \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{-} = \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{+} - \mathbf{q}_{\mp}^{-}.$$

The first requirement can be satisfied by regularizing the MNLS, i.e. by conveniently adding linear in  $\mathbf{q}$  terms. The corresponding regularized MNLS have the form:

$$(36) \quad U(x, t, \lambda) = \mathcal{Q}(x, t) - \lambda J, \quad U^{\pm}(\lambda) \equiv \lim_{x \rightarrow \mp \infty} U(x, t, \lambda) = \mathcal{Q}^{\pm} - \lambda J.$$

Require: i) regular behaviour of the solutions for  $t \rightarrow \pm \infty$ ; ii) require that the spectrum of the two asymptotic operators  $L_{\pm} = id/dx + U^{\pm}(\lambda)$  have the same spectrum. Here

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corresponding eigenspaces of  $\Lambda_{\pm}$  have dimension 2 since they are spanned by both  $\Psi_{\pm}^{ab;j}(x)$  and  $\Psi_{\mp}^{ab;j}(x)$ . Thus the sets  $\{\Psi\}$  and  $\{\Phi\}$  are the complete sets of eigen- and adjoint functions of  $\Lambda_{+}$  and  $\Lambda_{-}$ .

$$\text{ii) } \hat{Q}_2^+ = \hat{Q}_2^-.$$

then  $U_+(\lambda)$  and  $U_-(\lambda)$  have the same sets of eigenvalues.

The  $M$ -operators of the MNLS with CBC contains additional terms

$$V_0(x, t) = -[\hat{Q}, \text{ad}_J^- \hat{Q}] + 2i \text{ad}_J^- \hat{Q}_x(x, t) + [\hat{Q}_\mp, \text{ad}_J^- \hat{Q}_\mp]. \quad (38)$$

with  $\hat{Q}_\mp$  which ensure the regular behavior of the solutions for large  $t$ .

The Lax operator can be associated with a symmetric spaces if

**A.II**  $\mathfrak{g} \simeq A_{N-1} \equiv \mathfrak{sl}(N)$ ,  $J = H_{\vec{a}}$ , where the vector  $\vec{a}$  in the root space  $\mathbb{R}^r$  dual to  $J$  is given by  $\vec{a} = \sum_s^{k=1} e_k - \sum_N^{k=s+1} e_k$ ;

In the next two cases  $s = r$  and  $N = 2r$  is even.

**C.II**  $\mathfrak{g} \simeq C_r \equiv \mathfrak{sp}(2r)$ ,  $J = H_{\vec{a}}$ , where the vector  $\vec{a}$  in the root space  $\mathbb{R}^r$  dual to  $J$  is given by  $\vec{a} = \sum_r^{k=1} e_k$ ;

**D.III**  $\mathfrak{g} \simeq D_r \equiv \mathfrak{so}(2r)$ ,  $J = H_{\vec{a}}$ , where the vector  $\vec{a}$  in the root space  $\mathbb{R}^r$  dual to  $J$  is given by  $\vec{a} = \sum_r^{k=1} e_k$ .

**BD.1**  $\mathfrak{g} \simeq D_r \equiv so(2r)$  for  $N = 2r$  and  $\mathfrak{g} \simeq B_r \equiv so(2r + 1)$  for  $N = 2r + 1, J = H_{e_1}$ .

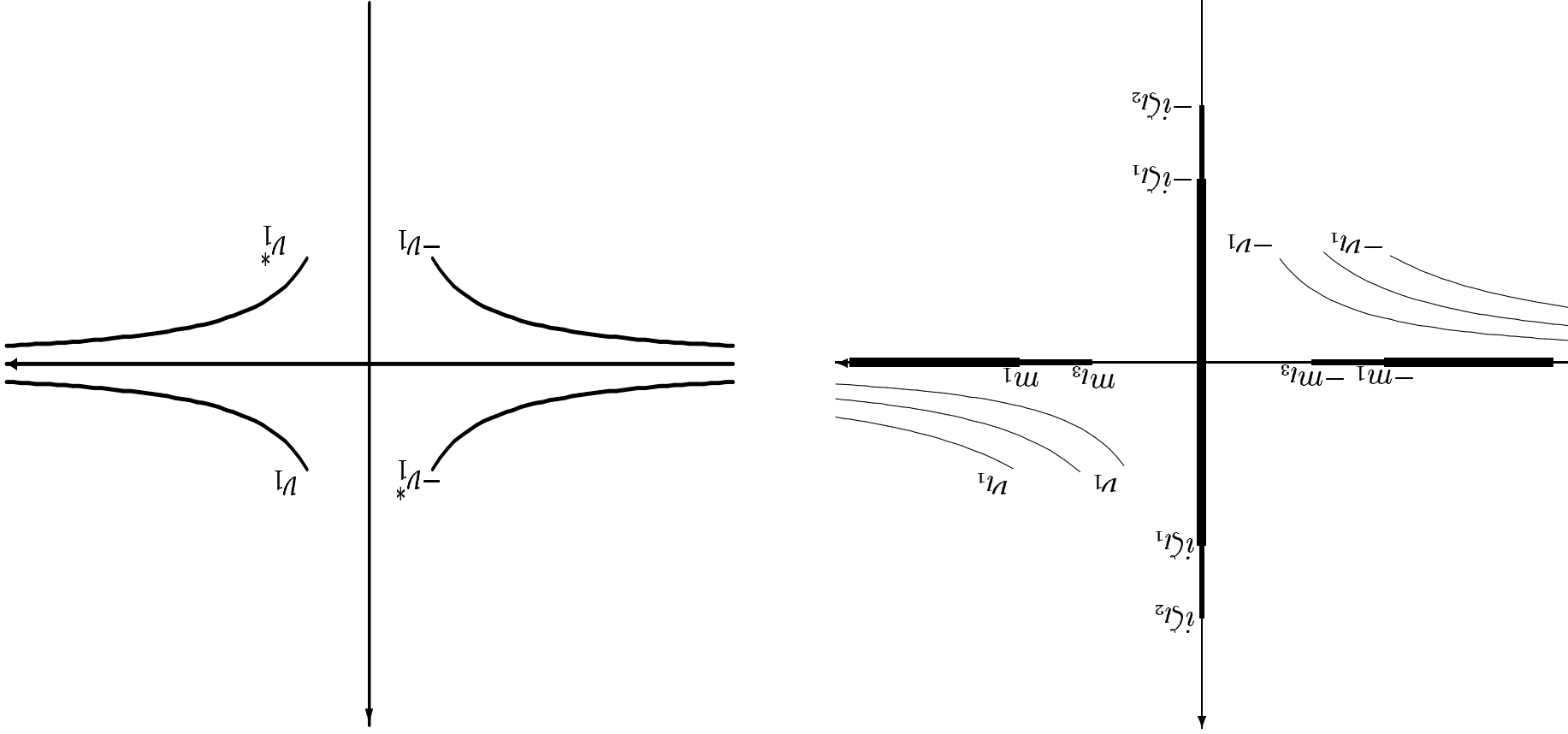
The spectrum of the asymptotic operators  $L_{\pm}$  is purely continuous and is determined by the eigenvalues of  $Q_{\pm}$  which generically may be arbitrary complex numbers. The spectra of  $A$ -type symmetric spaces were described by VSG, Kulish (1983).

**a)**  $v_k \neq \pm v_k^*, k = 1, \dots, l_1 - 2$  two branches of two-fold spectrum filling up the hyperbola's arcs  $\text{Re } \lambda \text{Im } v_k = \text{Re } v_k \text{Im } v_k$  on which  $|\text{Re } \lambda| \geq |\text{Re } v_k|$ ;

**b)**  $v_{l_1+k} = -v_{l_1+k}^* = i\zeta_k, k = 1, \dots, l_2 - 2$  two branches of two-fold spectrum filling up the real axis and the segment  $|\text{Im } \lambda| \leq |\zeta_k|$  of the imaginary axis;

**c)**  $v_{l_1+l_2+k} = v_{l_1+l_2+k}^* = m_k, k = 1, \dots, l_3 = r - l_1 - l_2 + 1 - 2$  two branches of two-fold spectrum filling up the segments  $|\text{Re } \lambda| \geq |m_k|$  of the real axis;

Фигура 1: Left panel: the continuous spectrum of  $L$ , generic case; Right panel: the continuous spectrum of the  $sp(4)$  and  $so(8)$  MNLS with CBC for  $D > 0$ ; the only difference is that while the multiplicity of the spectra of  $sp(4)$  is 2 the one for  $so(8)$  is 4.



$$(41) \quad r_1 = \epsilon q_1^*, \quad r_2 = q_2^*, \quad r_3 = q_3^*.$$

which in components takes the form:

$$(40) \quad B_1^{-1} Q^\dagger B_1 = Q, \quad B_1 = \text{diag}(1, \epsilon, \epsilon, 1), \quad \epsilon = \pm 1.$$

and determine the end points of the spectrum. If we impose on  $Q(x, t)$ , and consequently on  $Q_\pm$  the involution ( $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -reduction):

$$(39) \quad \nu_2 - K_0 \nu + K_1 = 0, \quad K_0 = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} Q_2^\pm, \quad K_1 = \det Q_\pm.$$

equation:

As mentioned in Section 3, the continuous spectrum of the GZS system is determined by the set of eigenvalues  $\{\nu_j, j = 1, 2\}$  of the matrices  $q_{+r} = q_{-r}$ . These eigenvalues for  $Q_\pm$  with  $r = 2$  satisfy the characteristic

## 5.1 Spectral properties of $sp(4)$ -MNTS with CBC

For *C.II*- and *D.III*-type symmetric spaces the spectra consist of four branches filling up the hyperbola's arcs  $\text{Re } \lambda \text{Im } \lambda = \pm \text{Re } \nu_1 \text{Im } \nu_1$  on which  $|\text{Re } \lambda| \geq |\text{Re } \nu_1|$ , see the right panel of the figure - VSG 2004.

Then the coefficients  $K_0$  and  $K_1$  equal:

$$K_0 = 2\epsilon |q_1^\pm|^2 + |q_2^\pm|^2 + |q_3^\pm|^2, \quad K_1 = |(q_1^\pm)^2 + q_2^\pm q_3^\pm|^2 \quad (42)$$

We have three possibilities for the roots  $v_1, v_2$  of eq. (39) depending on the sign of the discriminant:

$$D = \frac{1}{4}K_2^2 - 4K_1. \quad (43)$$

a)  $D > 0$ , i.e. the roots  $v_1 > v_2$  are different and real. The continuous spectrum of  $L$  fills up two pairs of rays on the real axis  $|\operatorname{Re} \lambda| > v_1$  and  $|\operatorname{Re} \lambda| > \operatorname{Re} v_2$ ;

b)  $D = 0$ , i.e. the roots  $v_1 = v_2$ ; the two pairs of rays in a) now coincide; the total multiplicity of the spectrum is 4;

c)  $D < 0$ , i.e. the roots  $v_j$  are complex-valued and  $v_1 = v_2^*$ ; The continuous spectrum of  $L$  fills up two branches of two-fold spectrum along the hyperbola's arcs  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \operatorname{Im} \lambda = \operatorname{Re} v_k \operatorname{Im} v_k$ , see the right panel of fig. 1;



In the generic case there are no a priori limitations as to the positions of the discrete eigenvalues. Such may come up if we consider potentials  $\mathcal{Q} = -\mathcal{Q}^\dagger$ ; then the GZS system become equivalent to a formally self-adjoint linear problem whose spectrum should be confined to the real  $\lambda$ -axis only. The formal self-adjointness takes place for  $\epsilon = 1$ .

## 5.2 Spectral properties of $so(8)$ -MNTS with CBC

The characteristic equation for  $q_{\pm} r_{\pm}$  takes more simple form:

$$\det(q_{\pm} r_{\pm} - \nu) = (\nu^2 - K_0 \nu + K_1)^2, \quad (44)$$

where the coefficients  $K_j$  now are given by:

$$K_0 = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(q_{\pm} r_{\pm}) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} q_{\pm}^{ij} r_{\pm}^{ij}, \quad (45)$$

$$K_1 = (\det(q_{\pm} r_{\pm}))^{1/2} = (q_{\pm}^{13} q_{\pm}^{24} - q_{\pm}^{34} q_{\pm}^{12} - q_{\pm}^{23} q_{\pm}^{14})(r_{\pm}^{13} r_{\pm}^{24} - r_{\pm}^{34} r_{\pm}^{12} - r_{\pm}^{23} r_{\pm}^{14}).$$

An involution of the type (40) gives  $r_{ij} = \epsilon_i \epsilon_j q_{ij}^*$  with  $\epsilon_j = \pm 1$  and makes the coefficients  $K_0, K_1$  real. Besides now each of the eigenvalues

$\nu_j, j = 1, 2$  is two-fold. Again we have the three possibilities depending on the value of  $D$ ; the only difference is that the multiplicity of each of the branches is 4. This imposes certain symmetry on the locations of the eigenvalues of  $\nu_j$  which in fact determine the end-points of the continuous spectra of  $L$ .

### 5.3 Spectral properties of BD-I-MNLS with CBC

The lost solutions are determined by their asymptotics for  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x, \lambda) &\rightarrow n_{0,+} e^{i\mu(\lambda)x} n_{0,+}, & \text{for } x \rightarrow \infty; \\ \phi(x, \lambda) &\rightarrow n_{0,-} e^{i\mu(\lambda)x} n_{0,-}, & \text{for } x \rightarrow -\infty; \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{Q}^\pm - \lambda J = n_{0,\pm} \mu(\lambda) \hat{n}_{0,\pm}, \quad \mu(\lambda) = \text{diag}(\mu_1(\lambda), \dots, \mu_n(\lambda)),$$

$$\mu_2^{1,n}(\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^2 + 2a + \sqrt{\lambda^4 + 4a\lambda^2 + b}}{2}, \quad \mu_2^{2,n-1}(\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^2 + 2a - \sqrt{\lambda^4 + 4a\lambda^2 + b}}{2},$$

$$\mu_{3,4,\dots,n-2} = 0, \quad a = a(\vec{r}_\pm, \vec{q}_\pm), \quad b = b(\vec{r}_\pm, s_0 \vec{r}_\pm)(\vec{q}_\pm, s_0 \vec{q}_\pm).$$

The continuous spectrum of  $L$  is determined by  $\operatorname{Re} \mu_k(\lambda) = 0$ . If  $b = 4a^2$  this simplifies

$$\mu_{1,n}^2 = \lambda^2 + 2a, \quad \mu_{2,3,\dots,n-1} = 0.$$

With the reduction  $r = -q^*$  we get that  $a = -m_0^2/2 > 0$  and the spectrum fills in the two semiaxis  $|\lambda| > m_0$ .

## 6 Hamiltonian properties

The invariants of the transfer matrix  $T(\lambda)$  such as, e.g. its principal minors generate integrals of motion, i.e. if all  $v_j$  are different we have only  $r$  independent series of conserved quantities. Let us briefly outline the methods of deriving of these integrals as functionals of the potential  $Q$ . As starting relation here we consider the Wronskian relation VSG, **nlm.SI/0604005**:

$$\operatorname{tr} \left[ \chi_+^{-1} C \frac{d\chi_+}{dx} - C \frac{dJ(\lambda)}{dx} \right] \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty}$$

The trace identities for the MNLS type equations with CBC can be

$$(48) \quad R_C(x, t, \lambda) = C_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} R_k \lambda^{-k}(x, t), \quad \psi_0 C \psi_0^{-1}(\lambda) = C_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k \lambda^{-k}.$$

expansion coefficients

Eq. (47) allows one to derive the recurrent relations for evaluating the

$$(47) \quad \frac{dR_C}{dx} + [\hat{Q}(x, t) - \lambda J, R_C] = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} R_C(x, t, \lambda) = \psi_0 C \psi_0^{-1}(\lambda).$$

the equation:

is a natural generalization of the diagonal of the resolvent of  $L$ . It satisfies

where  $C$  is a constant element of  $\mathfrak{h}$  and  $R_C(x, t, \lambda) = \chi_+ C(\chi_+)^{-1}(x, t, \lambda)$

$$(46) \quad \sum_r \frac{d\delta_r^+}{dx} \text{tr} (H_k C) + i \text{tr} \left( \hat{\psi}_0(\lambda) \frac{d\psi_0}{d\lambda} C - \hat{\phi}_0(\lambda) \frac{d\phi_0}{d\lambda} C \right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \text{tr} [\sigma_3 R_C(x, t, \lambda) - \lambda J^{-1}(\lambda) C],$$

The correct use of the Wronskian relation (46) allowed us to derive renormalized integrals of motion, i.e. ones that converge for  $\mathcal{Q}(x, t) \in \mathcal{M}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{H}_3 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{8}{3} dx \operatorname{tr} [p_x q_{\dagger}^x + (q_{\dagger}^x(x, t))^2 - \underline{n}^2] \cdot \\
 \mathbf{H}_2 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{4}{3} dx \operatorname{tr} (p_x q_{\dagger}^x - q_{\dagger}^x p_x), \quad \underline{n} = \underline{n}^+, \\
 \mathbf{H}_k &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \operatorname{tr} (\sigma_3 R_{k+1}(x, t) - C_{k+1}), \quad \mathbf{H}_1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} dx \operatorname{tr} (p_x q_{\dagger}^x(x, t) - \underline{n}),
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{50}$$

in both sides of (46) and equating the corresponding coefficients of  $\lambda^{-d}$ . Here we write down the first three of the local integrals of motion coming from the principal series with  $C = J$ :

$$\delta_+^k(\lambda) = \sum_{\infty}^{d=1} I_{(k)}^d \lambda^{-d}
 \tag{49}$$

derived by inserting the asymptotic expansions of  $R_C(x, \lambda)$  and  $\delta_+^k(\lambda)$ :

In analyzing the Hamiltonian properties of the MNLS with CBC we will make use also of the classical  $r$ -matrix approach. It allows one

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{MNLS}} = \frac{3}{8} \mathbf{H}_3 - 4 \mathbf{H}_{(1)}^{\sim 1} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \operatorname{tr} [q x q_{\dagger}^x + (q q_{\dagger}^x)(x, t) - \underline{\mu}^2] \cdot \quad (52)$$

Note, that  $\mathbf{H}_{(l)}^{\sim 1}$  is nontrivial, i.e. does not reduce to  $\mathbf{H}_1$  only if  $s \geq 2$ ,  $\nu_1 \neq \nu_2 \neq \dots$ . Using it we can check the validity of

$$\mathbf{H}_{(l)}^{\sim 1} = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \operatorname{tr} [q q_{\dagger}^x(x, t) \underline{\mu}^l + q_{\dagger}^x q(x, t) \mu^l - 2 \mu^{l+1}] , \quad \mu = q_{\dagger}^+ q^+ \quad (51)$$

and has the form:

However among the integrals in this series one can not find the Hamiltonian of the MNLS (37). In order to obtain the Hamiltonian we need to regularize these integrals. By regularized integral we mean one whose gradient  $\delta \mathbf{H}^k / \delta \mathcal{Q}_T^k(x, t)$  vanishes for both  $x \rightarrow \infty$  and  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ . This can be done by considering additional series of integrals, which generically have non-local densities. Fortunately among the simplest of them one may find local ones. For example, the first integral from the series with  $C$  chooses to be  $C^{(l)} = \sum_{k=1}^r m_{2l}^k H_k$  with  $1 \leq l \leq r$ , is local

$$r_{\mp}(\lambda, \mu) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \mp \infty} r_{\mp}^{-1}(x, \lambda, \mu) r(\lambda, \mu) r_{\mp}^{-1}(x, \lambda, \mu),$$

$$\left\{ T(\lambda) \otimes T(\mu) \right\} = r_{+}(\lambda, \mu) T(\lambda) \otimes T(\mu) - T(\lambda) \otimes T(\mu) r_{-}(\lambda, \mu). \quad (54)$$

Skipping the details we just write down the expressions for the Poisson brackets between the matrix elements of  $T(\lambda)$ :

where  $E_{\alpha}$  and  $H_j$  are the Cartan-Weyl generators of the corresponding simple Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$ . In order to derive the Poisson brackets for the MNLS on the whole axis with CBC we need to take into account the corresponding oscillations coming from the Jost solutions.

$$r(\lambda, \mu) = \frac{1}{\lambda - \mu} \left( \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta_0^+ \cup \Delta_1^+} (E_{\alpha} \otimes E_{-\alpha} + E_{-\alpha} \otimes E_{\alpha}) + \sum_r H_j \otimes H_j \right), \quad (53)$$

to write down in compact form the Poisson brackets of the transfer (monodromy) matrix. Since our problem is ultra-local in the terminology of Faddeev then the definition of  $r$  is independent on the boundary conditions. Using Fordy, Kulish (1983) we find

Of course the rigorous proof of the complete integrability and the derivation of the basic properties of the MNLS equations must be based MNLS equations with CBC.

This is a necessary condition in proving the complete integrability of the the involutivity of the integrals of the principal series  $\{H^k, H^p\} = 0$ . values of  $p$  and  $s$ , and for all  $1 \leq k, l \leq r$ . A consequence of eq. (55) is spectrum of  $L$ . From (55) there follows that  $\{I^p_{(k)}, I^s_{(l)}\} = 0$  for all positive for all values of  $1 \leq i, j \leq r$  and  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  taking values on the continuous

$$(55) \quad \{\delta^k_+(\lambda), \delta^j_+(\mu)\} = 0,$$

As a consequence of (54) we get the involution properties of  $\delta^k_+(\lambda)$ :

the end points of the continuous spectrum.  
account the the threshold singularities of  $T^{kl}(\lambda)$  of the form  $j^k_{-1}(\lambda)$  at An important and difficult problem here is to take correctly into

where  $\{T(\lambda) \otimes T(\mu)\}_{ij,kl} \equiv \{T^{ij}(\lambda), T^{kl}(\mu)\}$ .

$$T^+(x, \lambda, \mu) = \psi_0(\lambda) e^{-iJ(\lambda)x} \otimes \psi_0(\mu) e^{-iJ(\mu)x},$$

$$T^-(x, \lambda, \mu) = \phi_0(\lambda) e^{-iJ(\lambda)x} \otimes \phi_0(\mu) e^{-iJ(\mu)x},$$



on the completeness relation of the relevant 'squared solutions' of  $L$ . For the single component NLS such relation has been proposed by Konotop, (1994); for the multicomponent systems this is still open question.

## 7 Discussion

**Possible applications:** recently it was discovered by Wadati, that the  $so(5)$  and  $so(7)$  MNLS with vanishing BC have important applications to BEC with spin  $F = 1$  and  $F = 2$  respectively. This enhances the interest to the MNLS type models.

**Soliton solutions:** In particular it will be important to work out the dressing Zakharov-Shabat procedure also for non-vanishing BC. This problem have attracted attention recently and will be discussed in the reports of B. Prinari and T. Tsuchida who have worked out the technique for some special choices of the boundary constants  $Q_{\pm}$ . In the generic case however, the Riemannian surface related to the Lax operator does not allow uniformization which makes the problem difficult.

Some steps in this directions have been reported in VSG, Kuish

(1983) for the  $su(n+m)/s(u(n) \otimes su(m))$  case. Deriving the dressing factors for the MNLs for the symmetric spaces of types *C.II*- and *D.III*- requires substantial changes even for vanishing BC; doing the same for CBC is still a bigger challenge.

**Expansions over 'squared solutions' - to be done.**

Thank you

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attention!

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