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Equivariant dimensional reduction over noncommutative spaces

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Dimensional reduction over the quantum sphere
and non-abelian q -vortices

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Equivariant dimensional reduction :

A systematic procedure for including internal fluxes on S/R
(instantons and/or monopoles of R -fields)
'symmetric' (equivariant) for S

Vortices and gauge fields ; Taubes ,

The Ginzburg–Landau equations for vortices is related to the four dimensional Yang–Mills equations via reduction:

any $SO(3)$ symmetric solution to the $SU(2)$ Y–M eqs on $\mathbb{R}^2 \times S^2$

yields a solution to the G–L eqs on \mathbb{R}^2 and vice versa.

Equivariant dimensional reduction :

R -instantons and/or monopoles 'symmetric' (equivariant) for S

S -equivariant complex vector bundles over M_d

$$B \longrightarrow M_d = M_4 \times S/R,$$

correspond (1 to 1) to R -equivariant bundles over M_4 ,

$$E \longrightarrow M_4,$$

S acts trivially on M_d ; standard left translation action on S/R

In general the reduction yields rise quiver gauge theories on M_4

A simple example: Complex projective line

$$G = U(k), \quad S = SU(2) \text{ and } R = U(1) \quad \Rightarrow \quad S^2 \simeq SU(2)/U(1)$$

Embedding $S \hookrightarrow G$ results into decomposing $U(k) \rightarrow \prod_{i=0}^m U(k_i)$,

$k = \sum_{i=0}^m k_i$, associated with the $(m+1)$ -dim I.R. of $SU(2)$

Gauge theory on $M \times S^2$, reduces to into $k_i \times k_j$ blocks

$$A(x, y) = A(x) + a(y) + \Phi(x)\bar{\beta}(y) + \Phi^\dagger(x)\beta(y),$$

$a = \bigoplus_{i=0}^m a_{m-2i}$, a_{m-2i} charge $m-2i$ monopole connection

and $\Phi(x)$ is a collection of Higgs fields

Dimensional reduction generates a 4-dim Higgs potential,

$$V(\Phi) = \frac{g^2}{2} \text{tr}_k \left(\frac{1}{4g^2 r^2} \begin{pmatrix} m\mathbf{1}_{k_0} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & (m-2)\mathbf{1}_{k_1} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -m\mathbf{1}_{k_m} \end{pmatrix} - [\Phi, \Phi^\dagger] \right)^2,$$

whose minimization gives a vacuum structure depending on the monopole charges $p_i = m - 2i$

For example: the Ginsburg–Landau action functional

$$GL(A, \Phi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \text{tr} \left(-\frac{1}{4} F^2 + D\Phi^\dagger D\Phi + \lambda(\Phi^\dagger \Phi - 1)^2 \right)$$

as mentioned self-duality equation are vortex equations:

$$\star F = \text{id}_{\mathcal{E}_0} - \Phi \circ \Phi^* \quad \text{and} \quad D\Phi = 0$$

M a smooth manifold; $\mathbb{C}P_q^1$ the quantum projective line

Characterize vector bundles over the quantum space

$$\underline{M} := \mathbb{C}P_q^1 \times M$$

equivariant under an action of the quantum group $SU_q(2)$

These are finitely-generated and projective $SU_q(2)$ -equivariant modules over the algebra of functions

$$\mathcal{A}(\underline{M}) = \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}P_q^1) \otimes \mathcal{A}(M)$$

Describe the dimensional reduction of invariant connections

In particular, Yang–Mills gauge theory on $\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$ is reduced to a type of Yang–Mills–Higgs theory on the manifold M

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In particular de-singularization of moduli spaces

deformation parameter $q \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ $q \simeq q^{-1}$

$\mathcal{A}(\mathrm{SU}_q(2)) :=$ $*$ -algebra generated by a and c , with relations

$$UU^* = U^*U = 1 \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} a & -qc^* \\ c & a^* \end{pmatrix}$$

$$ac = qca, \quad ac^* = qc^*a, \quad cc^* = c^*c,$$

$$a^*a + c^*c = aa^* + q^2cc^* = 1$$

Hopf $*$ -algebra structure on $\mathcal{A}(\mathrm{SU}_q(2))$:

$$\Delta U = U \otimes U \quad S(U) = U^* \quad \varepsilon(U) = 1$$

These dualize classical operations

$\mathcal{A}_1 = \mathcal{A}(\text{SU}(2))$, polynomial functions on $\text{SU}(2)$

$$\Delta : \mathcal{A}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_1 \otimes \mathcal{A}_1 \qquad (\Delta f)(x \otimes y) = f(xy)$$

$$S : \mathcal{A}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_1 \qquad (Sf)(x) = f(x^{-1})$$

$$\varepsilon : \mathcal{A}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \qquad (\varepsilon f) = f(e)$$

A (right) *-action: $\alpha : \text{U}(1) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{A}(\text{SU}_q(2)))$

$$\alpha_u \begin{pmatrix} a & -qc^* \\ c & a^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & -qc^* \\ c & a^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u & 0 \\ 0 & u^* \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{for } u \in \text{U}(1).$$

$$\alpha_u \begin{pmatrix} a \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ c \end{pmatrix} u, \quad \alpha_u \begin{pmatrix} a^* \\ c^* \end{pmatrix} = u^* \begin{pmatrix} a^* \\ c^* \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{for } u \in \text{U}(1).$$

The invariant elements form a subalgebra of $\mathcal{A}(\text{SU}_q(2))$,

the coordinate algebra $\mathcal{A}(S_q^2)$ of the standard Podleś sphere S_q^2

$$\mathcal{A}(S_q^2) = \mathcal{A}(\text{SU}_q(2))^{\text{U}(1)}$$

the algebra inclusion

$$\mathcal{A}(S_q^2) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{A}(\mathrm{SU}_q(2))$$

is a **noncommutative principal bundle**

As a set of generators for $\mathcal{A}(S_q^2)$ we may take

$$B_- := ac^*, \quad B_+ := ca^*, \quad B_0 := cc^*.$$

A natural **complex structure** on the 2-sphere S_q^2

for the unique 2-dimensional $\mathrm{SU}_q(2)$ -covariant calculus;

S_q^2 becomes a **quantum Riemannian sphere or qpl** $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}_q^1$

A vector space decomposition

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathrm{SU}_q(2)) = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{L}_n, \quad (\star)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_n := \mathcal{A}(\mathrm{SU}_q(2)) \boxtimes_{\rho_n} \mathbb{C} \simeq \left\{ x \in \mathcal{A}(\mathrm{SU}_q(2)) \mid \alpha_u(x) = x (u^*)^n \right\}$$

for $u \in \mathrm{U}(1)$

Each \mathcal{L}_n is a finitely-generated projective (right, say) $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}\mathrm{P}_q^1)$ -module of rank one

module of $\mathrm{SU}_q(2)$ -equivariant sections of a line bundles over the quantum projective line $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{P}_q^1$ with degree (monopole charge) $-n$

Enlarging the space

For a smooth manifold M ,

consider $\underline{M} := \mathbb{C}P_q^1 \times M$ with 'coordinate' algebra,

$$\mathcal{A}(\underline{M}) := \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}P_q^1) \otimes \mathcal{A}(M) .$$

A coaction of $SU_q(2)$ on $\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$;

trivially on $\mathcal{A}(M)$ and with canonical coaction Δ_L on $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}P_q^1)$:

$$\underline{\Delta} : \mathcal{A}(\underline{M}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}(SU_q(2)) \otimes \mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$$

A $SU_q(2)$ -equivariant right $\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$ -module $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$ carries a coaction

$$\delta : \underline{\mathcal{E}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}(SU_q(2)) \otimes \underline{\mathcal{E}}$$

compatible with the coaction $\underline{\Delta}$ of $\mathcal{A}(SU_q(2))$ on $\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$,

$$\delta(\varphi \cdot \underline{f}) = \delta(\varphi) \cdot \underline{\Delta}(\underline{f}) \quad \text{for all } \varphi \in \underline{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{f} \in \mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$$

Relate $\mathcal{A}(SU_q(2))$ -equivariant bundles $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$ on the q. space \underline{M}

to $U(1)$ -equivariant bundles E over the manifold M

Proposition 1. *Every finitely-generated $SU_q(2)$ -equivariant projective module $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$ over $\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$ equivariantly decomposes as*

$$\underline{\mathcal{E}} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^m \underline{\mathcal{E}}_i = \bigoplus_{i=0}^m \mathcal{L}_{m-2i} \otimes \mathcal{E}_i$$

(and uniquely up to isomorphism), for some $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$;

\mathcal{E}_i are modules of sections of (usual) vector bundles E_i over M with trivial $SU_q(2)$ coactions;

\mathcal{L}_n are the above modules of sections of $SU_q(2)$ -equivariant line bundles over $\mathbb{C}P_q^1$.

(there are also morphisms $\Phi_i \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}_{i-1}, \underline{\mathcal{E}}_i)$, of $\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$ -modules, coming from the $SU_q(2)$ -coaction).

Lemma 2. A unitary connection $\underline{\nabla}$ on $(\underline{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{h})$ decomposes as

$$\underline{\nabla} = \sum_{i=0}^m \left(\underline{\nabla}_i + \sum_{j < i} (\underline{\beta}_{ji} - \underline{\beta}_{ji}^*) \right),$$

where:

1. Each $\underline{\nabla}_i$ is a unitary connection on $(\underline{\mathcal{E}}_i, \underline{h}_i)$, i.e.

$$\underline{h}_i(\underline{\nabla}_i \varphi, \psi) + \underline{h}_i(\varphi, \underline{\nabla}_i \psi) = \underline{d}(\underline{h}_i(\varphi, \psi)) \quad \text{for } \varphi, \psi \in \underline{\mathcal{E}}_i.$$

2. For $j \neq i$,

$\underline{\beta}_{ji} \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}_i, \Omega^1(\underline{\mathcal{E}}_j))$ is the adjoint of $-\underline{\beta}_{ij}$, i.e.

$$\underline{h}(\underline{\beta}_{ji} \varphi, \psi) + \underline{h}(\varphi, \underline{\beta}_{ij} \psi) = 0 \quad \text{for } \varphi \in \underline{\mathcal{E}}_i, \psi \in \underline{\mathcal{E}}_j.$$

Integrable connections

M be a complex manifold, with standard complex structure ;
a complex structure for $\mathbb{C}P_q^1$

a complex structure for $\mathcal{A}(\underline{M}) = \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}P_q^1) \otimes \mathcal{A}(M)$.

If $\underline{\nabla}$ is a connection, the (0,2)-component of the curvature

$$F_{\underline{\nabla}}^{0,2} \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}, \Omega^{0,2}(\underline{\mathcal{E}})), \quad \Omega^{0,2}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}) = \underline{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \Omega^{0,2}(\underline{M})$$

The connection $\underline{\nabla}$ is then **integrable** if $F_{\underline{\nabla}}^{0,2} = 0$.

In this case the pair $(\underline{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{\nabla})$ is a holomorphic vector bundle.

Gauge theory

Let $\mathcal{C}(\underline{\mathcal{E}})$ be the space of unitary connections on an $SU_q(2)$ -equivariant hermitian $\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$ -module $(\underline{\mathcal{E}}, \underline{h})$.

The Y–M action functional $YM : \mathcal{C}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is as usual

$$YM(\underline{\nabla}) = \|F_{\underline{\nabla}}\|_{\underline{h}}^2 \quad (3)$$

from a suitable L^2 -norm $\|-\|_{\underline{h}}$ on the space $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}, \Omega^p(\underline{\mathcal{E}}))$

Dimensional reduction of the Yang–Mills action functional

Proposition 4.

The functional $\text{YM}|_{\mathcal{C}(\underline{\mathcal{E}})^{\text{SU}_q(2)}}$ on the quantum space \underline{M} , when restricted to $\text{SU}_q(2)$ -invariant unitary connections coincides with the Y–M–H functional $\text{YMH}_{q,m}$ on M :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{YMH}_{q,m}(\nabla, \phi) = & \sum_{i=0}^m \left(\|F_{\nabla_i}\|_{h_i}^2 + (q^2 + 1) \|\nabla_{i-1,i}(\phi_i)\|_{h_{i-1,i}}^2 \right. \\ & \left. + \|\phi_{i+1}^* \circ \phi_{i+1} - q^2 \phi_i \circ \phi_i^* - q^{m-2i+1} [m-2i]_q \text{id}_{\mathcal{E}_i}\|_{h_i}^2 \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi_0 := 0 =: \phi_0^* \quad \text{and} \quad \phi_{m+1} := 0 =: \phi_{m+1}^*$$

with

- $F_{\nabla_i} = \nabla_i^2$, the curvature of the connection $\nabla_i \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{E}_i)$ on M
- $\nabla_{i-1,i}$ the connection on $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}(M)}(\mathcal{E}_{i-1}, \mathcal{E}_i)$ induced by ∇_{i-1} on \mathcal{E}_{i-1} and ∇_i on \mathcal{E}_i and given by

$$\nabla_{i-1,i}(\phi_i) = \phi_i \circ \nabla_{i-1} - \nabla_i \circ \phi_i .$$

Symbol

$$[x]_q = \frac{q^x - q^{-x}}{q - q^{-1}} \quad q \neq 1$$

This functional restricts to a map on gauge orbits

$$\text{YMH}_{q,m} : \mathcal{C}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}) / \mathcal{U}(\underline{\mathcal{E}}) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$$

Characterize stable critical points of the Y–M functional (3) on \underline{M} , and study their reduction to configurations on M .

A Hodge operator (as a bimodule map)

$$\underline{\star} := \hat{\star} \otimes \star : \Omega^p(\underline{M}) \longrightarrow \Omega^{2(d+1)-p}(\underline{M})$$

Lemma 5. *Let $\underline{\nabla} \in \mathcal{C}(\underline{\mathcal{E}})$ be a unitary connection such that*

$$\underline{\star} F_{\underline{\nabla}} = -F_{\underline{\nabla}} \wedge \Sigma \tag{6}$$

for $\Sigma \in \Omega^{2d-2}(\underline{M})$ a closed form of degree $2d - 2$.

Then $\underline{\nabla}$ is a critical point of the Y–M functional and

$$\text{YM}(\underline{\nabla}) = \text{Top}_2(\underline{\mathcal{E}}, \Sigma) := -\left(F_{\underline{\nabla}}, \underline{\star}(F_{\underline{\nabla}} \wedge \Sigma) \right)_{\underline{h}}$$

The functional $\text{Top}_2(\underline{\mathcal{E}}, \Sigma)$ does not depend on the choice of ∇

It defines a 'topological action' depending only on the $\mathcal{A}(\underline{M})$ -module $\underline{\mathcal{E}}$ and the closed form Σ

Provides an *a priori* lower bound on the Y–M functional

The gauge invariant equation (6) is **the Σ -anti-selfduality eqn**

The gauge equivalence classes in $\mathcal{C}(\underline{\mathcal{E}})/\mathcal{U}(\underline{\mathcal{E}})$ of solutions are

generalized instantons or Σ -instantons

1. Deformations of holomorphic triples and stable pairs

A holomorphic triple $(\mathcal{E}_0, \mathcal{E}_1, \phi)$ on a compact Kähler manifold (M, ω) is a pair of holomorphic vector bundles $\mathcal{E}_0, \mathcal{E}_1$ over M and a holomorphic morphism

$$\mathcal{E}_0 \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{E}_1$$

With $\phi := \phi_1$, we get

$$F_{\nabla_0}^{\omega} = q^2 \left(\text{id}_{\mathcal{E}_0} - q^{-2} \phi \circ \phi^* \right) \quad \text{and} \quad F_{\nabla_1}^{\omega} = - \left(\text{id}_{\mathcal{E}_1} - q^2 \phi^* \circ \phi \right) \quad (\diamond)$$

The degrees of the bundles are related by

$$\text{deg}(\mathcal{E}_0) + q^{-2} \text{deg}(\mathcal{E}_1) = q^2 \text{rank}(\mathcal{E}_0) - q^{-2} \text{rank}(\mathcal{E}_1)$$

Much more stringent than the undeformed stability condition

2. q -instantons

Let (M, ω) be a Kähler surface. Set $\mathcal{E}_0 \simeq \mathcal{E}_1 =: \mathcal{E}$.

Since ϕ is a holomorphic section, $\nabla_{0,1}^{\bar{\partial}}(\phi) = 0$;

we have $\nabla_0 = \nabla_1 =: \nabla$ and both equations in (\diamond) simplify to

$$F_{\nabla}^{\omega} = (q^2 - 1) \text{id}_{\mathcal{E}}$$

a deformation of the hermitian Yang–Mills equation on M , and hence of the standard anti-selfduality equations $\star F_{\nabla} = -F_{\nabla}$. Its gauge equivalence classes of solutions called q -instantons

When $M = \mathbb{C}^2$, the constant shift in the moment map condition

$$\text{from } \mu_{\mathcal{C}} = 0 \quad \text{to} \quad \mu_{\mathcal{C}} = (q^2 - 1) \text{id}_{\mathcal{E}}$$

induces a shift in the corresponding real ADHM equation.

NS: this modification arises in the equations which determine instantons on a certain noncommutative deformation of \mathbb{R}^4

Here we have the same sort of resolution of instanton moduli space via our q -deformed dimensional reduction procedure over the quantum projective line $\mathbb{C}P_q^1$.

Summing up:

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