# Symbolic Computation of Conserved Densities and Symmetries of Nonlinear Evolution and Differential-Difference Equations

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## • Purpose

Design and implement algorithms to compute polynomial conservation laws and symmetries for nonlinear systems of evolution equations and differential-difference equations

#### • Motivation

- Conservation laws describe the conservation of fundamental physical quantities such as linear momentum and energy.
   Compare with constants of motion (first integrals) in mechanics
- For nonlinear PDEs and DDEs, the existence of a sufficiently large (in principal infinite) number of conservation laws and symmetries assures complete integrability
- Conservation laws provide a simple and efficient method to study both quantitative and qualitative properties of equations and their solutions, e.g. Hamiltonian structures
- Conservation laws can be used to test numerical integrators
- Symmetries can be used to build new integrable equations

## PART I: Evolution Equations

### • Conservation Laws for PDEs

Consider a single nonlinear evolution equation

$$u_t = F(u, u_x, u_{2x}, ..., u_{nx})$$

or a system of N nonlinear evolution equations

$$\mathbf{u}_t = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_x, ..., \mathbf{u}_{nx})$$

where  $\mathbf{u} = [u_1, \dots, u_N]^T$  and

$$u_t \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}, \quad u^{(n)} = u_{nx} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\partial^n u}{\partial x^n}$$

All components of  $\mathbf{u}$  depend on x and t

Conservation law:

$$D_t \rho + D_r J = 0$$

 $\rho$  is the density, J is the flux

Both are polynomial in  $u, u_x, u_{2x}, u_{3x}, ...$ 

Consequently

$$P = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \rho \ dx = \text{constant}$$

if J vanishes at infinity

## • The Euler Operator (calculus of variations)

Useful tool to verify if an expression is a total derivative

#### Theorem:

If

$$f = f(x, y_1, \dots, y_1^{(n)}, \dots, y_N, \dots, y_N^{(n)})$$

then

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{y}}(f) \equiv \mathbf{0}$$

if and only if

$$f = D_x g$$

where

$$g = g(x, y_1, \dots, y_1^{(n-1)}, \dots, y_N, \dots, y_N^{(n-1)})$$

Notations:

$$\mathbf{y} = [y_1, \dots, y_N]^T$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{y}}(f) = [\mathcal{L}_{y_1}(f), \dots, \mathcal{L}_{y_N}(f)]^T$$

$$\mathbf{0} = [0, \dots, 0]^T$$

(T for transpose)

and Euler Operator:

$$\mathcal{L}_{y_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} - \frac{d}{dx} (\frac{\partial}{\partial y_i'}) + \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (\frac{\partial}{\partial y_i''}) + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (\frac{\partial}{\partial y_i^{(n)}})$$

## • Example: Korteweg-de Vries (KdV) equation

$$u_t + uu_x + u_{3x} = 0$$

Conserved densities:

$$\begin{split} \rho_1 &= u, & (u)_t + (\frac{u^2}{2} + u_{2x})_x = 0 \\ \rho_2 &= u^2, & (u^2)_t + (\frac{2u^3}{3} + 2uu_{2x} - u_x^2)_x = 0 \\ \rho_3 &= u^3 - 3u_x^2, \\ & \left(u^3 - 3u_x^2\right)_t + \left(\frac{3}{4}u^4 - 6uu_x^2 + 3u^2u_{2x} + 3u_{2x}^2 - 6u_xu_{3x}\right)_x = 0 \\ \vdots \\ \rho_6 &= u^6 - 60u^3u_x^2 - 30u_x^4 + 108u^2u_{2x}^2 \\ & + \frac{720}{7}u_{2x}^3 - \frac{648}{7}uu_{3x}^2 + \frac{216}{7}u_{4x}^2, & \dots \log \dots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \end{split}$$

**Note:** KdV equation and conservation laws are invariant under dilation (scaling) symmetry

$$(x, t, u) \to (\lambda x, \lambda^3 t, \lambda^{-2} u)$$

u and t carry the weights of 2 and 3 derivatives with respect to x

$$u \sim \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}, \qquad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sim \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3}$$

## • Key Steps of the Algorithm

- 1. Determine weights (scaling properties) of variables & parameters
- 2. Construct the form of the density (building blocks)
- 3. Determine the unknown constant coefficients

## • Example: KdV equation

$$u_t + uu_x + u_{3x} = 0$$

Compute the density of rank 6

(i) Compute the weights by solving a linear system

$$w(u) + w(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}) = 2w(u) + w(x) = w(u) + 3w(x)$$

With 
$$w(x) = 1$$
,  $w(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}) = 3$ ,  $w(u) = 2$ .

Thus, 
$$(x, t, u) \to (\lambda x, \lambda^3 t, \lambda^{-2} u)$$

(ii) Take all the variables, except  $(\frac{\partial}{\partial t})$ , with positive weight and list all possible powers of u, up to rank 6:  $[u, u^2, u^3]$ 

Introduce x derivatives to 'complete' the rank

u has weight 2, introduce  $\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4}$ 

 $u^2$  has weight 4, introduce  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$ 

 $u^3$  has weight 6, no derivatives needed

Apply the derivatives and remove terms that are total derivatives with respect to x or total derivative up to terms kept earlier in the list

$$[u_{4x}] \rightarrow []$$
 empty list  $[u_x^2, uu_{2x}] \rightarrow [u_x^2]$  since  $uu_{2x} = (uu_x)_x - u_x^2$   $[u^3] \rightarrow [u^3]$ 

Combine the building blocks:  $\rho = c_1 u^3 + c_2 u_x^2$ 

- (iii) Determine the coefficients  $c_1$  and  $c_2$
- 1. Compute  $D_t \rho = 3c_1 u^2 u_t + 2c_2 u_x u_{xt}$
- 2. Replace  $u_t$  by  $-(uu_x + u_{3x})$  and  $u_{xt}$  by  $-(uu_x + u_{3x})_x$
- 3. Apply the Euler operator or integrate by parts

$$D_t \rho = -\left[\frac{3}{4}c_1u^4 - (3c_1 - c_2)uu_x^2 + 3c_1u^2u_{2x} - c_2u_{2x}^2 + 2c_2u_xu_{3x}\right]_x$$
$$-(3c_1 + c_2)u_x^3$$

4. The non-integrable term must vanish. Thus,  $c_1 = -\frac{1}{3}c_2$ . Set  $c_2 = -3$ , hence,  $c_1 = 1$ 

Result:

$$\rho = u^3 - 3u_x^2$$

Expression [...] yields

$$J = \frac{3}{4}u^4 - 6uu_x^2 + 3u^2u_{2x} + 3u_{2x}^2 - 6u_xu_{3x}$$

#### • Example: Boussinesq equation

$$u_{tt} - u_{2x} + 3uu_{2x} + 3u_x^2 + \alpha u_{4x} = 0$$

with nonzero parameter  $\alpha$ . Can be written as

$$u_t + v_x = 0$$
$$v_t + u_x - 3uu_x - \alpha u_{3x} = 0$$

The terms  $u_x$  and  $\alpha u_{3x}$  are not uniform in rank

Introduce auxiliary parameter  $\beta$  with weight. Replace the system by

$$u_t + v_x = 0$$
$$v_t + \beta u_x - 3uu_x - \alpha u_{3x} = 0$$

The system is invariant under the scaling symmetry

$$(x, t, u, v, \beta) \rightarrow (\lambda x, \lambda^2 t, \lambda^{-2} u, \lambda^{-3} v, \lambda^{-2} \beta)$$

Hence

$$w(u) = 2$$
,  $w(\beta) = 2$ ,  $w(v) = 3$  and  $w(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}) = 2$ 

or

$$u \sim \beta \sim \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}, \quad v \sim \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sim \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$$

Form  $\rho$  of rank 6

$$\rho = c_1 \beta^2 u + c_2 \beta u^2 + c_3 u^3 + c_4 v^2 + c_5 u_x v + c_6 u_x^2$$

Compute the  $c_i$ . At the end set  $\beta = 1$ 

$$\rho = u^2 - u^3 + v^2 + \alpha u_x^2$$

which is no longer uniform in rank!

## • Application: A Class of Fifth-Order Evolution Equations

$$u_t + \alpha u^2 u_x + \beta u_x u_{2x} + \gamma u u_{3x} + u_{5x} = 0$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are nonzero parameters, and  $u \sim \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$ 

Special cases:

$$\alpha=30$$
  $\beta=20$   $\gamma=10$  Lax  $\alpha=5$   $\beta=5$   $\gamma=5$  Sawada — Kotera  $\alpha=20$   $\beta=25$   $\gamma=10$  Kaup — Kupershmidt  $\alpha=2$   $\beta=6$   $\gamma=3$  Ito

Under what conditions for the parameters  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  does this equation admit a density of fixed rank?

#### - Rank 2:

No condition

$$\rho = u$$

#### - Rank 4:

Condition:  $\beta = 2\gamma$  (Lax and Ito cases)

$$\rho = u^2$$

## - Rank 6:

Condition:

$$10\alpha = -2\beta^2 + 7\beta\gamma - 3\gamma^2$$

(Lax, SK, and KK cases)

$$\rho = u^3 + \frac{15}{(-2\beta + \gamma)} u_x^2$$

## - Rank 8:

1.  $\beta = 2\gamma$  (Lax and Ito cases)

$$\rho = u^4 - \frac{6\gamma}{\alpha} u u_x^2 + \frac{6}{\alpha} u_{2x}^2$$

2.  $\alpha = -\frac{2\beta^2 - 7\beta\gamma - 4\gamma^2}{45}$  (SK, KK and Ito cases)

$$\rho = u^4 - \frac{135}{2\beta + \gamma} u u_x^2 + \frac{675}{(2\beta + \gamma)^2} u_{2x}^2$$

## - Rank 10:

Condition:

$$\beta = 2\gamma$$

and

$$10\alpha = 3\gamma^2$$

(Lax case)

$$\rho = u^5 - \frac{50}{\gamma}u^2u_x^2 + \frac{100}{\gamma^2}uu_{2x}^2 - \frac{500}{7\gamma^3}u_{3x}^2$$

What are the necessary conditions for the parameters  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$  for this equation to admit infinitely many polynomial conservation laws?

- If  $\alpha = \frac{3}{10}\gamma^2$  and  $\beta = 2\gamma$  then there is a sequence (without gaps!) of conserved densities (Lax case)
- If  $\alpha = \frac{1}{5}\gamma^2$  and  $\beta = \gamma$  then there is a sequence (with gaps!) of conserved densities (SK case)
- If  $\alpha = \frac{1}{5}\gamma^2$  and  $\beta = \frac{5}{2}\gamma$  then there is a sequence (with gaps!) of conserved densities (KK case)

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 If 
$$\alpha = -\frac{2\beta^2 - 7\beta\gamma + 4\gamma^2}{45}$$
 or 
$$\beta = 2\gamma$$

then there is a conserved density of rank 8

Combine both conditions:  $\alpha = \frac{2\gamma^2}{9}$  and  $\beta = 2\gamma$  (Ito case)

## PART II: Differential-difference Equations

#### • Conservation Laws for DDEs

Consider a system of DDEs, continuous in time, discretized in space

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}}_n = \mathbf{F}(..., \mathbf{u}_{n-1}, \mathbf{u}_n, \mathbf{u}_{n+1}, ...)$$

 $\mathbf{u}_n$  and  $\mathbf{F}$  are vector dynamical variables

Conservation law:

$$\dot{\rho}_n = J_n - J_{n+1}$$

 $\rho_n$  is the density,  $J_n$  is the flux

Both are polynomials in  $\mathbf{u}_n$  and its shifts

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dt}}(\sum_{n} \rho_n) = \sum_{n} \dot{\rho}_n = \sum_{n} (J_n - J_{n+1})$$

If  $J_n$  is bounded for all n, with suitable boundary or periodicity conditions

$$\sum_{n} \rho_n = \text{constant}$$

#### • Definitions

Define: D shift-down operator, U shift-up operator

$$Dm = m|_{n \to n-1} \qquad Um = m|_{n \to n+1}$$

For example,

$$Du_{n+2}v_n = u_{n+1}v_{n-1} Uu_{n-2}v_{n-1} = u_{n-1}v_n$$

Compositions of D and U define an equivalence relation All shifted monomials are equivalent, e.g.

$$u_{n-1}v_{n+1} \equiv u_{n+2}v_{n+4} \equiv u_{n-3}v_{n-1}$$

Use equivalence criterion:

If two monomials,  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , are equivalent,  $m_1 \equiv m_2$ , then

$$m_1 = m_2 + [M_n - M_{n+1}]$$

for some polynomial  $M_n$ 

For example,  $u_{n-2}u_n \equiv u_{n-1}u_{n+1}$  since

$$u_{n-2}u_n = u_{n-1}u_{n+1} + [u_{n-2}u_n - u_{n-1}u_{n+1}] = u_{n-1}u_{n+1} + [M_n - M_{n+1}]$$

with 
$$M_n = u_{n-2}u_n$$

Main representative of an equivalence class; the monomial with label n on u (or v)

For example,  $u_n u_{n+2}$  is the main representative of the class with elements  $u_{n-1}u_{n+1}, u_{n+1}u_{n+3}$ , etc.

Use lexicographical ordering to resolve conflicts

For example,  $u_n v_{n+2}$  (not  $u_{n-2} v_n$ ) is the main representative of the class with elements  $u_{n-3} v_{n-1}$ ,  $u_{n+2} v_{n+4}$ , etc.

## • Algorithm: Toda Lattice

$$m\ddot{y}_n = a[e^{(y_{n-1}-y_n)} - e^{(y_n-y_{n+1})}]$$

Take m = a = 1 (scale on t), and set  $u_n = \dot{y}_n$ ,  $v_n = e^{(y_n - y_{n+1})}$ 

$$\dot{u}_n = v_{n-1} - v_n, \qquad \dot{v}_n = v_n(u_n - u_{n+1})$$

Simplest conservation law (by hand):

$$\dot{u}_n = \dot{\rho}_n = v_{n-1} - v_n = J_n - J_{n+1}$$
 with  $J_n = v_{n-1}$ 

First pair:

$$\rho_n^{(1)} = u_n, J_n^{(1)} = v_{n-1}$$

Second pair:

$$\rho_n^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2}u_n^2 + v_n, \qquad J_n^{(2)} = u_n v_{n-1}$$

Key observation: The DDE and the two conservation laws,  $\dot{\rho}_n = J_n - J_{n+1}$ , with

$$\rho_n^{(1)} = u_n, J_n^{(1)} = v_{n-1}$$

$$\rho_n^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2}u_n^2 + v_n, \qquad J_n^{(2)} = u_n v_{n-1}$$

are invariant under the scaling symmetry

$$(t, u_n, v_n) \rightarrow (\lambda t, \lambda^{-1} u_n, \lambda^{-2} v_n)$$

Dimensional analysis:

 $u_n$  corresponds to one derivative with respect to t

For short,  $u_n \sim \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dt}}$ , and similarly,  $v_n \sim \frac{\mathrm{d}^2}{\mathrm{dt}^2}$ 

Our algorithm exploits this symmetry to find conserved densities:

- 1. Determining the weights
- 2. Constructing the form of density
- 3. Determining the unknown coefficients

## • Step 1: Determine the weights

The weight, w, of a variable is equal to the number of derivatives with respect to t the variable carries.

Weights are positive, rational, and independent of n.

Requiring uniformity in rank for each equation

$$\dot{u}_n = v_{n-1} - v_n, \qquad \dot{v}_n = v_n(u_n - u_{n+1})$$

allows one to compute the weights of the dependent variables.

Solve the linear system

$$w(u_n) + w(\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dt}}) = w(v_n)$$
$$w(v_n) + w(\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dt}}) = w(v_n) + w(u_n)$$

Set 
$$w(\frac{d}{dt}) = 1$$
, then  $w(u_n) = 1$ , and  $w(v_n) = 2$ 

which is consistent with the scaling symmetry

$$(t, u_n, v_n) \to (\lambda t, \lambda^{-1} u_n, \lambda^{-2} v_n)$$

#### • Step 2: Construct the form of the density

The rank of a monomial is the total weight of the monomial.

For example, compute the form of the density of rank 3

List all monomials in  $u_n$  and  $v_n$  of rank 3 or less:

$$\mathcal{G} = \{u_n^3, u_n^2, u_n v_n, u_n, v_n\}$$

Next, for each monomial in  $\mathcal{G}$ , introduce enough t-derivatives, so that each term exactly has weight 3. Use the DDE to remove  $\dot{u}_n$  and  $\dot{v}_n$ 

$$\frac{d^{0}}{dt^{0}}(u_{n}^{3}) = u_{n}^{3}, \qquad \frac{d^{0}}{dt^{0}}(u_{n}v_{n}) = u_{n}v_{n}, 
\frac{d}{dt}(u_{n}^{2}) = 2u_{n}v_{n-1} - 2u_{n}v_{n}, \qquad \frac{d}{dt}(v_{n}) = u_{n}v_{n} - u_{n+1}v_{n}, 
\frac{d^{2}}{dt^{2}}(u_{n}) = u_{n-1}v_{n-1} - u_{n}v_{n-1} - u_{n}v_{n} + u_{n+1}v_{n}$$

Gather the resulting terms in a set

$$\mathcal{H} = \{u_n^3, u_n v_{n-1}, u_n v_n, u_{n-1} v_{n-1}, u_{n+1} v_n\}$$

Identify members of the same equivalence classes and replace them by the main representatives.

For example, since  $u_n v_{n-1} \equiv u_{n+1} v_n$  both are replaced by  $u_n v_{n-1}$ .  $\mathcal{H}$  is replaced by

$$\mathcal{I} = \{u_n^{3}, u_n v_{n-1}, u_n v_n\}$$

containing the building blocks of the density.

Form a linear combination of the monomials in  $\mathcal{I}$ 

$$\rho_n = c_1 u_n^3 + c_2 u_n v_{n-1} + c_3 u_n v_n$$

with constant coefficients  $c_i$ 

#### • Step 3: Determine the unknown coefficients

Require that the conservation law,  $\dot{\rho}_n = J_n - J_{n+1}$ , holds

Compute  $\dot{\rho}_n$  and use the equations to remove  $\dot{u}_n$  and  $\dot{v}_n$ .

Group the terms

$$\dot{\rho}_n = (3c_1 - c_2)u_n^2 v_{n-1} + (c_3 - 3c_1)u_n^2 v_n + (c_3 - c_2)v_{n-1}v_n + c_2 u_{n-1}u_n v_{n-1} + c_2 v_{n-1}^2 - c_3 u_n u_{n+1}v_n - c_3 v_n^2$$

Use the equivalence criterion to modify  $\dot{\rho}_n$ 

Replace  $u_{n-1}u_nv_{n-1}$  by  $u_nu_{n+1}v_n + [u_{n-1}u_nv_{n-1} - u_nu_{n+1}v_n]$ .

The goal is to introduce the main representatives. Therefore,

$$\dot{\rho}_{n} = (3c_{1} - c_{2})u_{n}^{2}v_{n-1} + (c_{3} - 3c_{1})u_{n}^{2}v_{n} + (c_{3} - c_{2})v_{n}v_{n+1} + [(c_{3} - c_{2})v_{n-1}v_{n} - (c_{3} - c_{2})v_{n}v_{n+1}] + c_{2}u_{n}u_{n+1}v_{n} + [c_{2}u_{n-1}u_{n}v_{n-1} - c_{2}u_{n}u_{n+1}v_{n}] + c_{2}v_{n}^{2} + [c_{2}v_{n-1}^{2} - c_{2}v_{n}^{2}] - c_{3}u_{n}u_{n+1}v_{n} - c_{3}v_{n}^{2}$$

Group the terms outside of the square brackets and move the pairs inside the square brackets to the bottom. Rearrange the latter terms so that they match the pattern  $[J_n - J_{n+1}]$ . Hence,

$$\dot{\rho}_{n} = (3c_{1} - c_{2})u_{n}^{2}v_{n-1} + (c_{3} - 3c_{1})u_{n}^{2}v_{n} 
+ (c_{3} - c_{2})v_{n}v_{n+1} + (c_{2} - c_{3})u_{n}u_{n+1}v_{n} + (c_{2} - c_{3})v_{n}^{2} 
+ [\{(c_{3} - c_{2})v_{n-1}v_{n} + c_{2}u_{n-1}u_{n}v_{n-1} + c_{2}v_{n-1}^{2}\} 
- \{(c_{3} - c_{2})v_{n}v_{n+1} + c_{2}u_{n}u_{n+1}v_{n} + c_{2}v_{n}^{2}\}]$$

The terms inside the square brackets determine:

$$J_n = (c_3 - c_2)v_{n-1}v_n + c_2u_{n-1}u_nv_{n-1} + c_2v_{n-1}^2$$

The terms outside the square brackets must vanish, thus

$$S = \{3c_1 - c_2 = 0, c_3 - 3c_1 = 0, c_2 - c_3 = 0\}$$

The solution is 
$$3c_1 = c_2 = c_3$$
. Choose  $c_1 = \frac{1}{3}$ , thus  $c_2 = c_3 = 1$ 

$$\rho_n = \frac{1}{3} u_n^3 + u_n(v_{n-1} + v_n), \qquad J_n = u_{n-1} u_n v_{n-1} + v_{n-1}^2$$

Analogously, conserved densities of rank  $\leq 5$ :

$$\rho_n^{(1)} = u_n, \qquad \rho_n^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2}u_n^2 + v_n$$

$$\rho_n^{(3)} = \frac{1}{3}u_n^3 + u_n(v_{n-1} + v_n)$$

$$\rho_n^{(4)} = \frac{1}{4}u_n^4 + u_n^2(v_{n-1} + v_n) + u_nu_{n+1}v_n + \frac{1}{2}v_n^2 + v_nv_{n+1}$$

$$\rho_n^{(5)} = \frac{1}{5}u_n^5 + u_n^3(v_{n-1} + v_n) + u_nu_{n+1}v_n(u_n + u_{n+1})$$

$$+ u_nv_{n-1}(v_{n-2} + v_{n-1} + v_n) + u_nv_n(v_{n-1} + v_n + v_{n+1})$$

## • Application: A parameterized Toda lattice

$$\dot{u}_n = \alpha \ v_{n-1} - v_n, \quad \dot{v}_n = v_n \ (\beta \ u_n - u_{n+1})$$

 $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are *nonzero* parameters. The system is integrable if  $\alpha = \beta = 1$ 

Compute the *compatibility conditions* for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , so that there is a conserved densities of, say, rank 3.

In this case, we have S:

$$\{3\alpha c_1 - c_2 = 0, \beta c_3 - 3c_1 = 0, \alpha c_3 - c_2 = 0, \beta c_2 - c_3 = 0, \alpha c_2 - c_3 = 0\}$$

A non-trivial solution  $3c_1 = c_2 = c_3$  will exist iff  $\alpha = \beta = 1$ 

Analogously, the parameterized Toda lattice has density

$$\rho_n^{(1)} = u_n$$
 of rank 1 if  $\alpha = 1$ 

and density

$$\rho_n^{(2)} = \frac{\beta}{2} u_n^2 + v_n \quad \text{of rank 2 if} \quad \alpha \beta = 1$$

Only when  $\alpha=\beta=1$  will the parameterized system have conserved densities of rank  $\geq 3$ 

## • Example: Nonlinear Schrödinger (NLS) equation

Ablowitz and Ladik discretization of the NLS equation:

$$i \dot{u}_n = u_{n+1} - 2u_n + u_{n-1} + u_n^* u_n (u_{n+1} + u_{n-1})$$

where  $u_n^*$  is the complex conjugate of  $u_n$ .

Treat  $u_n$  and  $v_n = u_n^*$  as independent variables, add the complex conjugate equation, and absorb i in the scale on t

$$\dot{u}_n = u_{n+1} - 2u_n + u_{n-1} + u_n v_n (u_{n+1} + u_{n-1})$$

$$\dot{v}_n = -(v_{n+1} - 2v_n + v_{n-1}) - u_n v_n (v_{n+1} + v_{n-1})$$

Since  $v_n = u_n^*$ ,  $w(v_n) = w(u_n)$ .

No uniformity in rank! Circumvent this problem by introducing an auxiliary parameter  $\alpha$  with weight,

$$\dot{u}_n = \alpha(u_{n+1} - 2u_n + u_{n-1}) + u_n v_n (u_{n+1} + u_{n-1})$$

$$\dot{v}_n = -\alpha(v_{n+1} - 2v_n + v_{n-1}) - u_n v_n (v_{n+1} + v_{n-1}).$$

Uniformity in rank requires that

$$w(u_n) + 1 = w(\alpha) + w(u_n) = 2w(u_n) + w(v_n) = 3w(u_n)$$
  
$$w(v_n) + 1 = w(\alpha) + w(v_n) = 2w(v_n) + w(u_n) = 3w(v_n)$$

which yields

$$w(u_n) = w(v_n) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad w(\alpha) = 1$$

Uniformity in rank is essential for the first two steps of the algorithm. After Step 2, you can already set  $\alpha = 1$ .

The computations now proceed as in the previous examples

Conserved densities:

$$\rho_n^{(1)} = c_1 u_n v_{n-1} + c_2 u_n v_{n+1} 
\rho_n^{(2)} = c_1 (\frac{1}{2} u_n^2 v_{n-1}^2 + u_n u_{n+1} v_{n-1} v_n + u_n v_{n-2}) 
+ c_2 (\frac{1}{2} u_n^2 v_{n+1}^2 + u_n u_{n+1} v_{n+1} v_{n+2} + u_n v_{n+2}) 
\rho_n^{(3)} = c_1 [\frac{1}{3} u_n^3 v_{n-1}^3 
+ u_n u_{n+1} v_{n-1} v_n (u_n v_{n-1} + u_{n+1} v_n + u_{n+2} v_{n+1}) 
+ u_n v_{n-1} (u_n v_{n-2} + u_{n+1} v_{n-1}) 
+ u_n v_n (u_{n+1} v_{n-2} + u_{n+2} v_{n-1}) + u_n v_{n-3}] 
+ c_2 [\frac{1}{3} u_n^3 v_{n+1}^3 
+ u_n u_{n+1} v_{n+1} v_{n+2} (u_n v_{n+1} + u_{n+1} v_{n+2} + u_{n+2} v_{n+3}) 
+ u_n v_{n+2} (u_n v_{n+1} + u_{n+1} v_{n+2}) 
+ u_n v_{n+3} (u_{n+1} v_{n+1} + u_{n+2} v_{n+2}) + u_n v_{n+3}]$$

## • Scope and Limitations of Algorithm & Software

- Systems of PDEs or DDEs must be polynomial in dependent variables
- Only one space variable (continuous x for PDEs, discrete n for DDEs) is allowed
- No terms should explicitly depend on x and t for PDEs, or n for DDEs
- Program only computes polynomial conserved densities; only polynomials in the dependent variables and their derivatives; no explicit dependencies on x and t for PDEs (or n for DDEs)
- No limit on the number of PDEs or DDEs.
   In practice: time and memory constraints
- Input systems may have (nonzero) parameters.
   Program computes the compatibility conditions for parameters such that densities (of a given rank) exist
- Systems can also have parameters with (unknown) weight. Allows one to test PDEs or DDEs of non-uniform rank
- For systems where one or more of the weights are free, the program prompts the user to enter values for the free weights
- Negative weights are not allowed
- Fractional weights and ranks are permitted
- Form of  $\rho$  can be given in the data file (testing purposes)

#### • Conserved Densities Software

- Conserved densities programs **CONSD** and **SYMCD** by Ito and Kako (Reduce, 1985, 1994 & 1996).
- Conserved densities in **DELiA** by Bocharov (Pascal, 1990)
- Conserved densities and formal symmetries FS
   by Gerdt and Zharkov (Reduce, 1993)
- Formal symmetry approach by Mikhailov and Yamilov (MuMath, 1990)
- Recursion operators and symmetries by Roelofs, Sanders and Wang (Reduce 1994, Maple 1995, Form 1995-present)
- Conserved densities **condens.m** by Hereman and Göktaş (Mathematica, 1996)
- Conservation laws, based on **CRACK** by Wolf (Reduce, 1995)
- Conservation laws by Hickman (Maple, 1996)
- Conserved densities by Ahner *et al.* (Mathematica, 1995). Project halted.
- Conserved densities **diffdens.m** by Göktaş and Hereman (Mathematica, 1997)

## PART III: Symmetries of PDEs and DDEs

### • Symmetries of PDEs

Consider the system of PDEs

$$\mathbf{u}_t = \mathbf{F}(x, t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_x, \mathbf{u}_{2x}, ..., \mathbf{u}_{mx})$$

space variable x, time variable t

dynamical variables  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, ..., u_n)$  and  $\mathbf{F} = (F_1, F_2, ..., F_n)$ 

## Definition of Symmetry

Vector function  $\mathbf{G}(x, t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_x, \mathbf{u}_{2x}, ...)$  is a *symmetry* if and only if the PDE is invariant for the replacement

$$\mathbf{u} \rightarrow \mathbf{u} + \epsilon \mathbf{G}$$

within order  $\epsilon$ . Hence

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\mathbf{u} + \epsilon \mathbf{G}) = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u} + \epsilon \mathbf{G})$$

must hold up to order  $\epsilon$ , or

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{G}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{u})[\mathbf{G}]$$

where  $\mathbf{F}$ ' is the Gateaux derivative of  $\mathbf{F}$ 

$$\mathbf{F}'(\mathbf{u})[\mathbf{G}] = \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u} + \epsilon \mathbf{G})|_{\epsilon=0}$$

Equivalently, G is a symmetry if the compatibility condition

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathbf{F}(x, t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_x, \mathbf{u}_{2x}, ..., \mathbf{u}_{nx}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{G}(x, t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_x, \mathbf{u}_{2x}, ...)$$

is satisfied, where  $\tau$  is the new time variable such that

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial \tau} = \mathbf{G}(x, t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_x, \mathbf{u}_{2x}, \dots)$$

## • Example: The KdV Equation

$$u_t = 6uu_x + u_{3x}$$

has infinitely many symmetries:

$$G^{(1)} = u_x \qquad G^{(2)} = 6uu_x + u_{3x}$$

$$G^{(3)} = 30u^2u_x + 20u_xu_{2x} + 10uu_{3x} + u_{5x}$$

$$G^{(4)} = 140u^3u_x + 70u_x^3 + 280uu_xu_{2x} + 70u^2u_{3x} + 70u_{2x}u_{3x} + 42u_xu_{4x} + 14uu_{5x} + u_{7x}$$

$$G^{(5)} = 630u^{4}u_{x} + 1260uu_{x}^{3} + 2520u^{2}u_{x}u_{2x} + 1302u_{x}u_{2x}^{2} + 420u^{3}u_{3x}$$
$$+966u_{x}^{2}u_{3x} + 1260uu_{2x}u_{3x} + 756uu_{x}u_{4x} + 252u_{3x}u_{4x}$$
$$+126u^{2}u_{5x} + 168u_{2x}u_{5x} + 72u_{x}u_{6x} + 18uu_{7x} + u_{9x}$$

The recursion operator connecting them is:

$$R = D^2 + 4u + 2u_x D^{-1}$$

## • Algorithm (KdV equation)

Use the dilation symmetry  $(t, x, u) \to (\lambda^{-3}t, \lambda^{-1}x, \lambda^2 u)$  $\lambda$  is arbitrary parameter. Hence,  $u \sim \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sim \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3}$ 

Step 1: Determine the weights of variables

We choose w(x) = -1, then w(u) = 2 and w(t) = -3

Step 2: Construct the form of the symmetry

Compute the form of the symmetry with rank 7

List all monomials in u of rank 7 or less

$$\mathcal{L} = \{1, u, u^2, u^3\}$$

Introduce x-derivatives so that each term has weight 7

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(u^3) = 3u^2u_x, \quad \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3}(u^2) = 6u_xu_{2x} + 2uu_{3x}, \quad \frac{\partial^5}{\partial x^5}(u) = u_{5x}, \quad \frac{\partial^7}{\partial x^7}(1) = 0$$

Gather the non-zero resulting terms in a set

$$\mathcal{R} = \{u^2u_x, u_xu_{2x}, uu_{3x}, u_{5x}\}$$

which contains the building blocks of the symmetry

Linear combination of the monomials in  $\mathcal{R}$  determines the symmetry

$$G = c_1 u^2 u_x + c_2 u_x u_{2x} + c_3 u u_{3x} + c_4 u_{5x}$$

**Step 3**: Determine the unknown coefficients in the symmetry Requiring that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathbf{F}(x, t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_x, \mathbf{u}_{2x}, ..., \mathbf{u}_{nx}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{G}(x, t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_x, \mathbf{u}_{2x}, ...)$$

holds. Compute  $G_t$  and  $F_{\tau}$ 

Use the PDE,

$$\mathbf{u}_t = \mathbf{F}$$

to replace  $u_t, u_{tx}.u_{txx}, ...$ 

Use

$$\mathbf{u}_{\tau} = \mathbf{G}(x, t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}_{x}, \mathbf{u}_{2x}, ...)$$

to replace  $u_{\tau}, u_{\tau x}, u_{\tau xx}, \dots$ 

After grouping the terms

$$F_{\tau} - G_t = (12c_1 - 18c_2)u_x^2 u_{2x} + (6c_1 - 18c_3)u u_{2x}^2 + (6c_1 - 18c_3)u u_x u_{3x} + (3c_2 - 60c_4)u_{3x}^2 + (3c_2 + 3c_3 - 90c_4)u_{2x} u_{4x} + (3c_3 - 30c_4)u_x u_{5x}$$

$$\equiv 0$$

This yields

$$S = \{12c_1 - 18c_2 = 0, 6c_1 - 18c_3 = 0, 3c_2 - 60c_4 = 0, 3c_2 + 3c_3 - 90c_4 = 0, 3c_3 - 30c_4 = 0\}$$

Choosing  $c_4 = 1$ , the solution is  $c_1 = 30, c_2 = 20, c_3 = 10$ 

Hence

$$G = 30u^2u_x + 20u_xu_{2x} + 10uu_{3x} + u_{5x}$$

which leads to Lax equation (in the KdV hierarchy)

$$u_t + 30u^2u_x + 20u_xu_{2x} + 10uu_{3x} + u_{5x}$$

## • x - t Dependent Symmetries

Algorithm can be used provided the **degree** in x or t is given Compute the symmetry of the KdV equation with rank 2 (**linear** in x or t)

Build list of monomials in u, x and t of rank 2 or less

$$\mathcal{L} = \{1, u, x, xu, t, tu, tu^2\}$$

Introduce the correct number of x-derivatives to make each term weight 2

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(xu) = u + xu_x, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(tu^2) = 2tuu_x, \quad \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3}(tu) = tu_{3x},$$
$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}(1) = \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3}(x) = \frac{\partial^5}{\partial x^5}(t) = 0$$

Gather the non-zero resulting terms

$$\mathcal{R} = \{u, xu_x, tuu_x, tu_{3x}\}$$

Linearly combine the monomials to obtain

$$G = c_1 u + c_2 x u_x + c_3 t u u_x + c_4 t u_{3x}$$

Determine the coefficients  $c_1$  through  $c_4$ 

Compute  $G_t$  and  $F_{\tau}$  and remove all t and  $\tau$  derivatives (as before)

Group the terms

$$F_{\tau} - G_t = (6c_1 + 6c_2 - c_3)uu_x + (3c_3 - 18c_4)tu_{2x}^2 + (3c_2 - c_4)u_{3x} + (3c_3 - 18c_4)tu_xu_{3x} \equiv 0$$

This yields

$$S = \{6c_1 + 6c_2 - c_3 = 0, 3c_3 - 18c_4 = 0, 3c_2 - c_4 = 0\}$$

The solution is  $c_1 = \frac{2}{3}$ ,  $c_2 = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $c_3 = 6$ ,  $c_4 = 1$ 

Hence

$$G = \frac{2}{3}u + \frac{1}{3}xu_x + 6tuu_x + tu_{3x}$$

These are two x-t dependent symmetries (of rank 0 and 2)

$$G = 1 + 6tu_x$$
 and  $G = 2u + xu_x + t(6uu_x + u_{3x})$ 

#### • Symmetries of DDEs

Consider a system of DDEs (continuous in time, discretized in space)

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}}_n = \mathbf{F}(..., \mathbf{u}_{n-1}, \mathbf{u}_n, \mathbf{u}_{n+1}, ...)$$

 $\mathbf{u}_n$  and  $\mathbf{F}$  have any number of components

bf Definition of Symmetry

A vector function  $\mathbf{G}(..., \mathbf{u}_{n-1}, \mathbf{u}_n, \mathbf{u}_{n+1}, ...)$  is called a *symmetry* of the DDE

if the infinitesimal transformation

$$\mathbf{u} \to \mathbf{u} + \epsilon \mathbf{G}(..., \mathbf{u}_{n-1}, \mathbf{u}_n, \mathbf{u}_{n+1}, ...)$$

leaves the DDE invariant within order  $\epsilon$ 

Equivalently

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tau}\mathbf{F}(...,\mathbf{u}_{n-1},\mathbf{u}_n,\mathbf{u}_{n+1},...) = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\mathbf{G}(...,\mathbf{u}_{n-1},\mathbf{u}_n,\mathbf{u}_{n+1},...)$$

where  $\tau$  is the new time variable such that

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tau}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{G}(...,\mathbf{u}_{n-1},\mathbf{u}_n,\mathbf{u}_{n+1},...)$$

## • Algorithm

Consider the one-dimensional Toda lattice

$$\ddot{y}_n = \exp(y_{n-1} - y_n) - \exp(y_n - y_{n+1})$$

Change the variables

$$u_n = \dot{y}_n, \qquad v_n = \exp\left(y_n - y_{n+1}\right)$$

to write the lattice in algebraic form

$$\dot{u}_n = v_{n-1} - v_n, \qquad \dot{v}_n = v_n(u_n - u_{n+1})$$

This system is invariant under the scaling symmetry

$$(t, u_n, v_n) \to (\lambda^{-1}t, \lambda u_n, \lambda^2 v_n)$$

 $\lambda$  is an arbitrary parameter. Hence,  $u_n \sim \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dt}}$  and  $v_n \sim \frac{\mathrm{d}^2}{\mathrm{dt}^2}$ 

Step 1: Determine the weights of variables

Set w(t) = -1. Then  $w(u_n) = 1$ , and  $w(v_n) = 2$ 

Step 2: Construct the form of the symmetry

Compute the form of the symmetry of ranks  $\{3,4\}$ 

List all monomials in  $u_n$  and  $v_n$  of rank 3 or less

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \{u_n^3, u_n^2, u_n v_n, u_n, v_n\}$$

and of rank 4 or less

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = \{u_n^4, u_n^3, u_n^2 v_n, u_n^2, u_n v_n, u_n, v_n^2, v_n\}$$

For each monomial in both lists, introduce the adjusting number of t-derivatives so that each term exactly has weight 3 and 4, resp.

For the monomials in  $\mathcal{L}_1$ 

$$\frac{d^0}{dt^0}(u_n^3) = u_n^3, \qquad \frac{d^0}{dt^0}(u_n v_n) = u_n v_n,$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(u_n^2) = 2u_n \dot{u}_n = 2u_n v_{n-1} - 2u_n v_n, \qquad \frac{d}{dt}(v_n) = \dot{v}_n = u_n v_n - u_{n+1} v_n,$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2}{\mathrm{dt}^2}(u_n) = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dt}}(\dot{u}_n) = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{dt}}(v_{n-1} - v_n) = u_{n-1}v_{n-1} - u_nv_{n-1} - u_nv_n + u_{n+1}v_n$$

Gather the resulting terms in a set

$$\mathcal{R}_1 = \{u_n^3, u_{n-1}v_{n-1}, u_nv_{n-1}, u_nv_n, u_{n+1}v_n\}$$

Similarly

$$\mathcal{R}_{2} = \{u_{n}^{4}, u_{n-1}^{2}v_{n-1}, u_{n-1}u_{n}v_{n-1}, u_{n}^{2}v_{n-1}, v_{n-2}v_{n-1}, v_{n-1}^{2}, u_{n}^{2}v_{n}, u_{n}u_{n+1}v_{n}, u_{n+1}^{2}v_{n}, v_{n-1}v_{n}, v_{n}^{2}, v_{n}v_{n+1}\}$$

Linear combination of the monomials in  $\mathcal{R}_1$  and  $\mathcal{R}_2$  determines

$$G_1 = c_1 u_n^3 + c_2 u_{n-1} v_{n-1} + c_3 u_n v_{n-1} + c_4 u_n v_n + c_5 u_{n+1} v_n$$

$$G_{2} = c_{6} u_{n}^{4} + c_{7} u_{n-1}^{2} v_{n-1} + c_{8} u_{n-1} u_{n} v_{n-1} + c_{9} u_{n}^{2} v_{n-1} + c_{10} v_{n-2} v_{n-1} + c_{11} v_{n-1}^{2} + c_{12} u_{n}^{2} v_{n} + c_{13} u_{n} u_{n+1} v_{n} + c_{14} u_{n+1}^{2} v_{n} + c_{15} v_{n-1} v_{n} + c_{16} v_{n}^{2} + c_{17} v_{n} v_{n+1}$$

Step 3: Determine the unknown coefficients in the symmetry

Requiring that  $F_{\tau} = G_t$  holds

Compute  $\frac{d}{dt}G_1$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt}G_2$ ,  $\frac{d}{d\tau}F_1$  and  $\frac{d}{d\tau}F_2$  and remove all  $u_n$ ,  $v_n$ ,  $\frac{d}{d\tau}u_n$ ,  $\frac{d}{d\tau}v_n$ Require that

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tau}F_1 - \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}G_1 \equiv 0, \quad \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\tau}F_2 - \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}G_2 \equiv 0$$

which gives

$$c_1 = c_6 = c_7 = c_8 = c_9 = c_{10} = c_{11} = c_{13} = c_{16} = 0,$$
  
 $-c_2 = -c_3 = c_4 = c_5 = -c_{12} = c_{14} = -c_{15} = c_{17}$ 

With  $c_{17} = 1$  the symmetry is

$$G_1 = u_n v_n - u_{n-1} v_{n-1} + u_{n+1} v_n - u_n v_{n-1}$$

$$G_2 = u_{n+1}^2 v_n - u_n^2 v_n + v_n v_{n+1} - v_{n-1} v_n$$

#### • Conclusions and Further Research

- Two Mathematica programs are available:
   condens.m for evolution equations (PDEs)
   diffdens.m for differential-difference equations (DDEs)
- Usefulness
  - \* Testing models for integrability
  - \* Study of classes of nonlinear PDEs or DDEs
- Comparison with other programs
  - \* Parameter analysis is possible
  - \* Not restricted to uniform rank equations
  - \* Not restricted to evolution equations provided that one can write the equation(s) as a system of evolution equations

### - Future work

- \* Generalization towards broader classes of equations (e.g.  $u_{xt}$ )
- \* Generalization towards more space variables (e.g. KP equation)
- \* Conservation laws with time and space dependent coefficients
- \* Conservation laws with n dependent coefficients

- \* Exploit other symmetries in the hope to find conserved densities of non-polynomial form
- \* Constants of motion for dynamical systems (e.g. Lorenz and Hénon-Heiles systems)
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- Software: available via FTP, ftp site *mines.edu* in subdirectories

pub/papers/math\_cs\_dept/software/condens pub/papers/math\_cs\_dept/software/diffdens

or via the Internet

URL: http://www.mines.edu/fs\_home/whereman/

## **Additional Examples**

## • Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation

$$iq_t - q_{2x} + 2|q|^2 q = 0$$

Program can not handle complex equations Replace by

$$u_t - v_{2x} + 2v(u^2 + v^2) = 0$$
  
$$v_t + u_{2x} - 2u(u^2 + v^2) = 0$$

where q = u + iv

Scaling properties

$$u \sim v \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \qquad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sim \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$$

First seven conserved densities:

$$\rho_1 = u^2 + v^2$$

$$\rho_2 = vu_x$$

$$\rho_3 = u^4 + 2u^2v^2 + v^4 + u_x^2 + v_x^2$$

$$\rho_4 = u^2 v u_x + \frac{1}{3} v^3 u_x - \frac{1}{6} v u_{3x}$$

$$\rho_5 = -\frac{1}{2}u^6 - \frac{3}{2}u^4v^2 - \frac{3}{2}u^2v^4 - \frac{1}{2}v^6 - \frac{5}{2}u^2u_x^2 - \frac{1}{2}v^2u_x^2 - \frac{3}{2}u^2v_x^2 - \frac{5}{2}v^2v_x^2 + uv^2u_{2x} - \frac{1}{4}u_{2x}^2 - \frac{1}{4}v_{2x}^2$$

$$\rho_{6} = -\frac{3}{4}u^{4}vu_{x} - \frac{1}{2}u^{2}v^{3}u_{x} - \frac{3}{20}v^{5}u_{x} + \frac{1}{4}vu_{x}^{3} - \frac{1}{4}vu_{x}v_{x}^{2} + uvu_{x}u_{2x} + \frac{1}{4}u^{2}vu_{3x} + \frac{1}{12}v^{3}u_{3x} - \frac{1}{40}vu_{5x}$$

$$\rho_{7} = \frac{5}{4}u^{8} + 5u^{6}v^{2} + \frac{15}{2}u^{4}v^{4} + 5u^{2}v^{6} + \frac{5}{4}v^{8} + \frac{35}{2}u^{4}u_{x}^{2} 
-5u^{2}v^{2}u_{x}^{2} + \frac{5}{2}v^{4}u_{x}^{2} - \frac{7}{4}u_{x}^{4} + \frac{15}{2}u^{4}v_{x}^{2} + 25u^{2}v^{2}v_{x}^{2} 
+ \frac{35}{2}v^{4}v_{x}^{2} - \frac{5}{2}u_{x}^{2}v_{x}^{2} - \frac{7}{4}v_{x}^{4} - 10u^{3}v^{2}u_{2x} - 5uv^{4}u_{2x} 
-5uv_{x}^{2}u_{2x} + \frac{7}{2}u^{2}u_{2x}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}v^{2}u_{2x}^{2} + \frac{5}{2}u^{2}v_{2x}^{2} 
+ \frac{7}{2}v^{2}v_{2x}^{2} - v^{2}u_{x}u_{3x} + \frac{1}{4}u_{3x}^{2} + \frac{1}{4}v_{3x}^{2} + uv^{2}u_{4x}$$

## • The Ito system

$$u_t - u_{3x} - 6uu_x - 2vv_x = 0$$

$$v_t - 2u_x v - 2uv_x = 0$$

$$u \sim \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}, \quad v \sim \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\rho_1 = c_1 u + c_2 v$$

$$\rho_2 = u^2 + v^2$$

$$\rho_3 = 2u^3 + 2uv^2 - u_x^2$$

$$\rho_4 = 5u^4 + 6u^2v^2 + v^4 - 10uu_x^2 + 2v^2u_{2x} + u_{2x}^2$$

$$\rho_5 = 14u^5 + 20u^3v^2 + 6uv^4 - 70u^2u_x^2 + 10v^2u_x^2 -4v^2v_x^2 + 20uv^2u_{2x} + 14uu_{2x}^2 - u_{3x}^2 + 2v^2u_{4x}$$

and more conservation laws

## • The dispersiveless long-wave system

$$u_t + vu_x + uv_x = 0$$

$$v_t + u_x + vv_x = 0$$

$$u \sim 2v \quad w(v) \text{ is free}$$

$$choose \quad u \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \quad \text{and} \quad 2v \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

$$\rho_1 = v$$

$$\rho_2 = u$$

$$\rho_3 = uv$$

$$\rho_4 = u^2 + uv^2$$

$$\rho_5 = 3u^2v + uv^3$$

$$\rho_6 = \frac{1}{3}u^3 + u^2v^2 + \frac{1}{6}uv^4$$

$$\rho_7 = u^3v + u^2v^3 + \frac{1}{10}uv^5$$

$$\rho_8 = \frac{1}{3}u^4 + 2u^3v^2 + u^2v^4 + \frac{1}{15}uv^6$$

and more

Always the same set irrespective the choice of weights

## • A generalized Schamel equation

$$n^2 u_t + (n+1)(n+2)u^{\frac{2}{n}}u_x + u_{3x} = 0$$

where n is a positive integer

$$\rho_1 = u, \qquad \rho_2 = u^2$$

$$\rho_3 = \frac{1}{2}u_x^2 - \frac{n^2}{2}u^{2+\frac{2}{n}}$$

For  $n \neq 1, 2$  no further conservation laws

## • Three-Component Korteweg-de Vries Equation

$$u_{t} - 6uu_{x} + 2vv_{x} + 2ww_{x} - u_{3x} = 0$$

$$v_{t} - 2vu_{x} - 2uv_{x} = 0$$

$$w_{t} - 2wu_{x} - 2uw_{x} = 0$$

Scaling properties

$$u \sim v \sim w \sim \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}, \qquad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sim \frac{\partial^3}{\partial x^3}$$

First five densities:

$$\rho_{1} = c_{1}u + c_{2}v + c_{3}w$$

$$\rho_{2} = u^{2} - v^{2} - w^{2}$$

$$\rho_{3} = -2u^{3} + 2uv^{2} + 2uw^{2} + u_{x}^{2}$$

$$\rho_{4} = -\frac{5}{2}u^{4} + 3u^{2}v^{2} - \frac{1}{2}v^{4} + 3u^{2}w^{2} - v^{2}w^{2} - \frac{1}{2}w^{4}$$

$$+5uu_{x}^{2} + v^{2}u_{2x} + w^{2}u_{2x} - \frac{1}{2}u_{2x}^{2}$$

$$\rho_{5} = -\frac{7}{10}u^{5} + u^{3}v^{2} - \frac{3}{10}uv^{4} + u^{3}w^{2} - \frac{3}{5}uv^{2}w^{2} - \frac{3}{10}uw^{4}$$

$$+\frac{7}{2}u^{2}u_{x}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}v^{2}u_{x}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}w^{2}u_{x}^{2} + \frac{1}{5}v^{2}v_{x}^{2}$$

$$-\frac{1}{5}w^{2}v_{x}^{2} + \frac{1}{5}w^{2}w_{x}^{2} + uv^{2}u_{2x} + uw^{2}u_{2x} - \frac{7}{10}uu_{2x}^{2}$$

$$-\frac{1}{5}vw^{2}v_{2x} + \frac{1}{20}u_{3x}^{2} + \frac{1}{10}v^{2}u_{4x} + \frac{1}{10}w^{2}u_{4x}$$

## • The Deconinck-Meuris-Verheest equation

Consider the modified vector derivative NLS equation:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_{\perp}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (B_{\perp}^2 \mathbf{B}_{\perp}) + \alpha \mathbf{B}_{\perp 0} \mathbf{B}_{\perp 0} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_{\perp}}{\partial x} + \mathbf{e}_x \times \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{B}_{\perp}}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

Replace the vector equation by

$$u_t + (u(u^2 + v^2) + \beta u - v_x)_x = 0$$
  
$$v_t + (v(u^2 + v^2) + u_x)_x = 0$$

u and v denote the components of  $\mathbf{B}_{\perp}$  parallel and perpendicular to  $\mathbf{B}_{\perp 0}$  and  $\beta = \alpha B_{\perp 0}^2$ 

$$u^2 \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \qquad v^2 \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \qquad \beta \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

First 6 conserved densities

$$\rho_1 = c_1 u + c_2 v$$

$$\rho_2 = u^2 + v^2$$

$$\rho_3 = \frac{1}{2}(u^2 + v^2)^2 - uv_x + u_x v + \beta u^2$$

$$\rho_4 = \frac{1}{4}(u^2 + v^2)^3 + \frac{1}{2}(u_x^2 + v_x^2) - u^3v_x + v^3u_x + \frac{\beta}{4}(u^4 - v^4)$$

$$\begin{split} \rho_5 &= \frac{1}{4}(u^2+v^2)^4 - \frac{2}{5}(u_xv_{2x} - u_{2x}v_x) + \frac{4}{5}(uu_x + vv_x)^2 \\ &+ \frac{6}{5}(u^2+v^2)(u_x^2+v_x^2) - (u^2+v^2)^2(uv_x - u_xv) \\ &+ \frac{\beta}{5}(2u_x^2 - 4u^3v_x + 2u^6 + 3u^4v^2 - v^6) + \frac{\beta^2}{5}u^4 \\ \rho_6 &= \frac{7}{16}(u^2+v^2)^5 + \frac{1}{2}(u_{2x}^2+v_{2x}^2) \\ &- \frac{5}{2}(u^2+v^2)(u_xv_{2x} - u_{2x}v_x) + 5(u^2+v^2)(uu_x + vv_x)^2 \\ &+ \frac{15}{4}(u^2+v^2)^2(u_x^2+v_x^2) - \frac{35}{16}(u^2+v^2)^3(uv_x - u_xv) \\ &+ \frac{\beta}{8}(5u^8+10u^6v^2-10u^2v^6-5v^8+20u^2u_x^2) \\ &- 12u^5v_x + 60uv^4v_x - 20v^2v_x^2) \\ &+ \frac{\beta^2}{4}(u^6+v^6) \end{split}$$