

Symbolic Computation of Lax Pairs of Systems of Partial Difference Equations Using Consistency Around the Cube

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What are nonlinear PΔEs?

- Nonlinear maps with two (or more) lattice points

Some origins:

- ▶ full discretizations of PDEs
- ▶ discrete dynamical systems in 2 dimensions
- ▶ superposition principle (Bianchi permutability)
for Bäcklund transformations between 3
solutions (2 parameters) of a completely
integrable PDE
- **Example:** discrete potential Korteweg-de
Vries (pKdV) equation

$$(u_{n,m} - u_{n+1,m+1})(u_{n+1,m} - u_{n,m+1}) - p^2 + q^2 = 0$$

- u is dependent variable or field (scalar case)
- n and m are lattice points
- p and q are parameters

- **Notation:**

$$(u_{n,m}, u_{n+1,m}, u_{n,m+1}, u_{n+1,m+1}) = (x, x_1, x_2, x_{12})$$

- Alternate notations (in the literature):

$$(u_{n,m}, u_{n+1,m}, u_{n,m+1}, u_{n+1,m+1}) = (u, \tilde{u}, \hat{u}, \hat{\tilde{u}})$$

$$(u_{n,m}, u_{n+1,m}, u_{n,m+1}, u_{n+1,m+1}) = (u_{00}, u_{10}, u_{01}, u_{11})$$

- **Example: discrete pKdV equation**

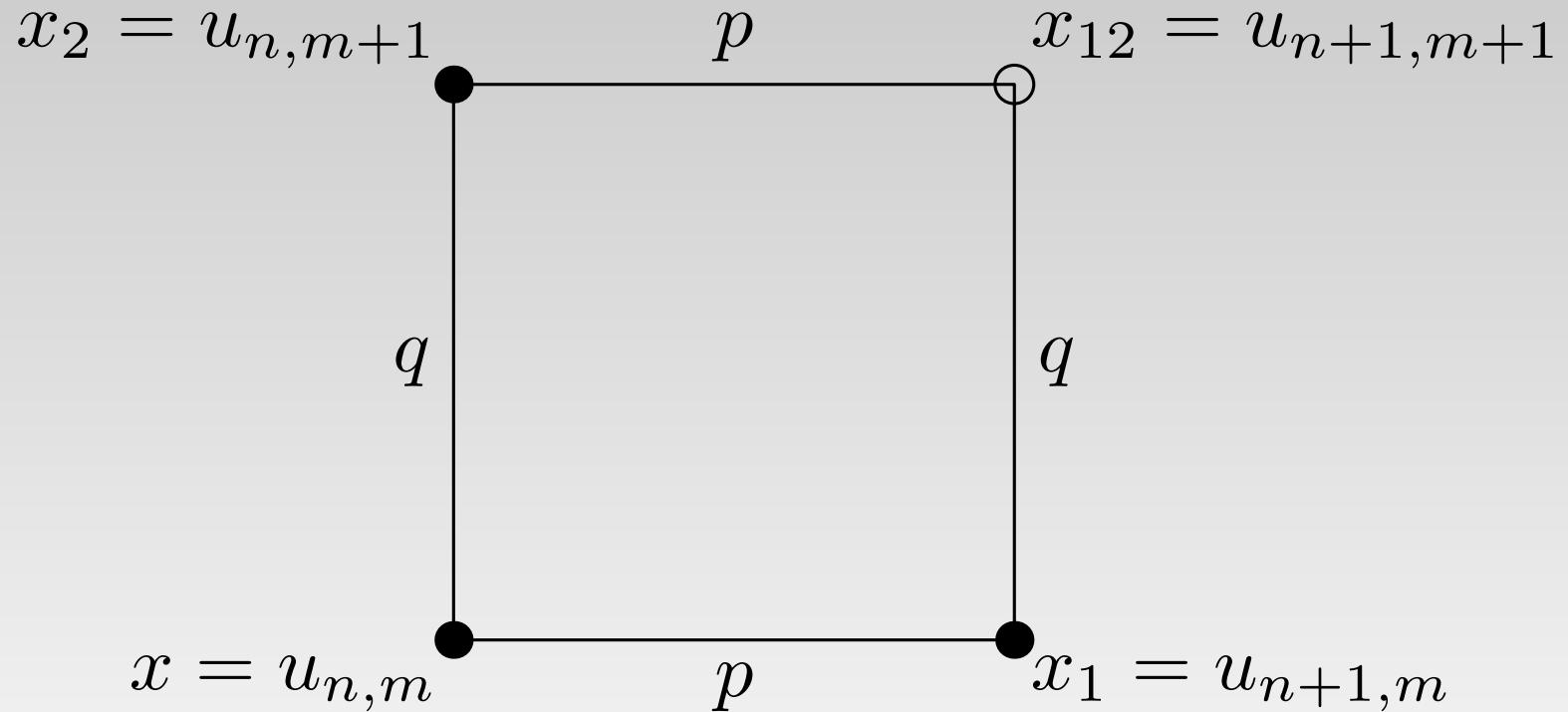
$$(u_{n,m} - u_{n+1,m+1})(u_{n+1,m} - u_{n,m+1}) - p^2 + q^2 = 0$$

Short:

$$(x - x_{12})(x_1 - x_2) - p^2 + q^2 = 0$$

$$(u_{n,m} - u_{n+1,m+1})(u_{n+1,m} - u_{n,m+1}) - p^2 + q^2 = 0$$

Short:
$$(x - x_{12})(x_1 - x_2) - p^2 + q^2 = 0$$



Systems of PΔEs

Example: Schwarzian-Boussinesq System

$$z_1 y - x_1 + x = 0$$

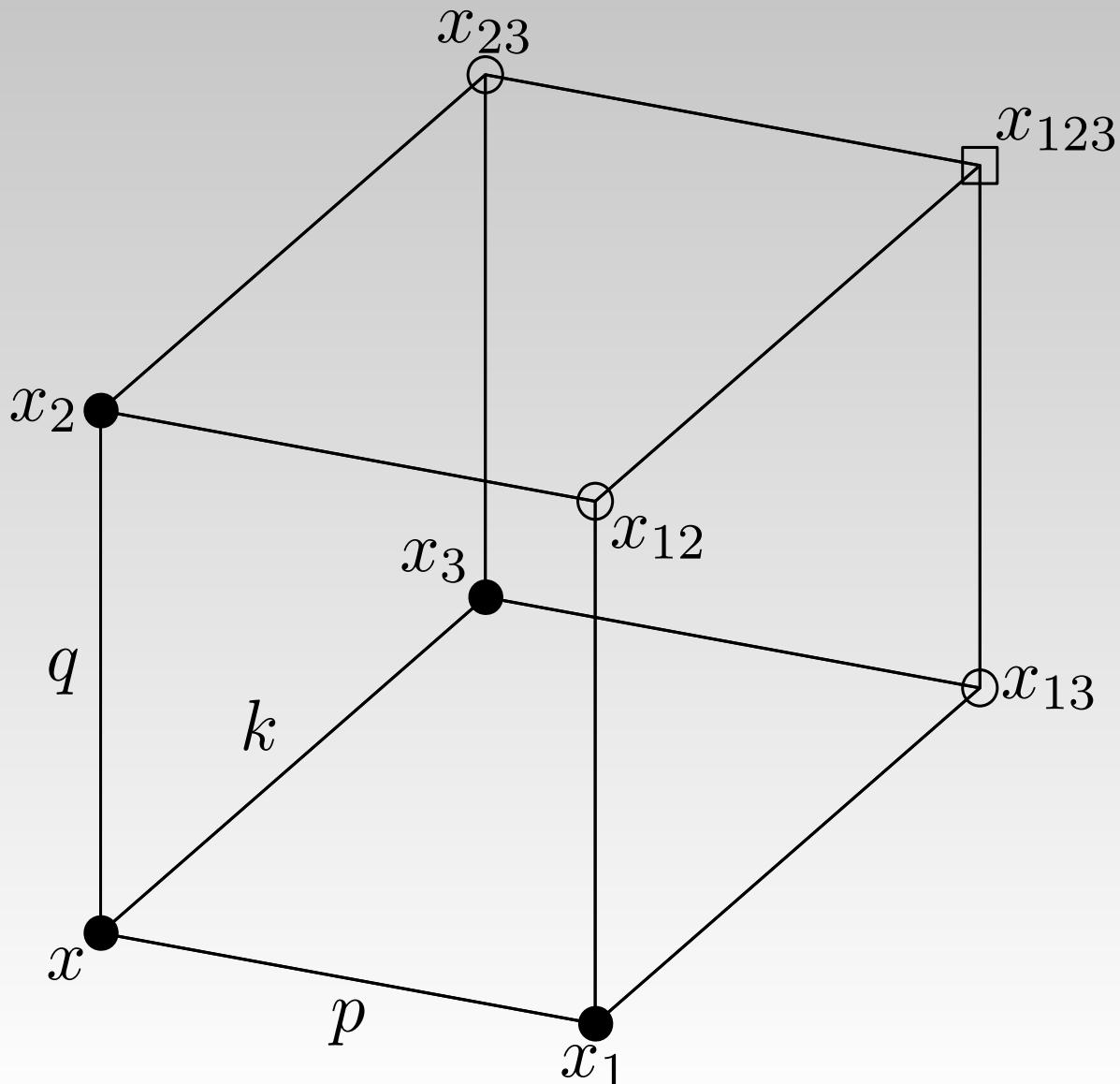
$$z_2 y - x_2 + x = 0$$

$$z y_{12}(y_1 - y_2) - y(p y_2 z_1 - q y_1 z_2) = 0$$

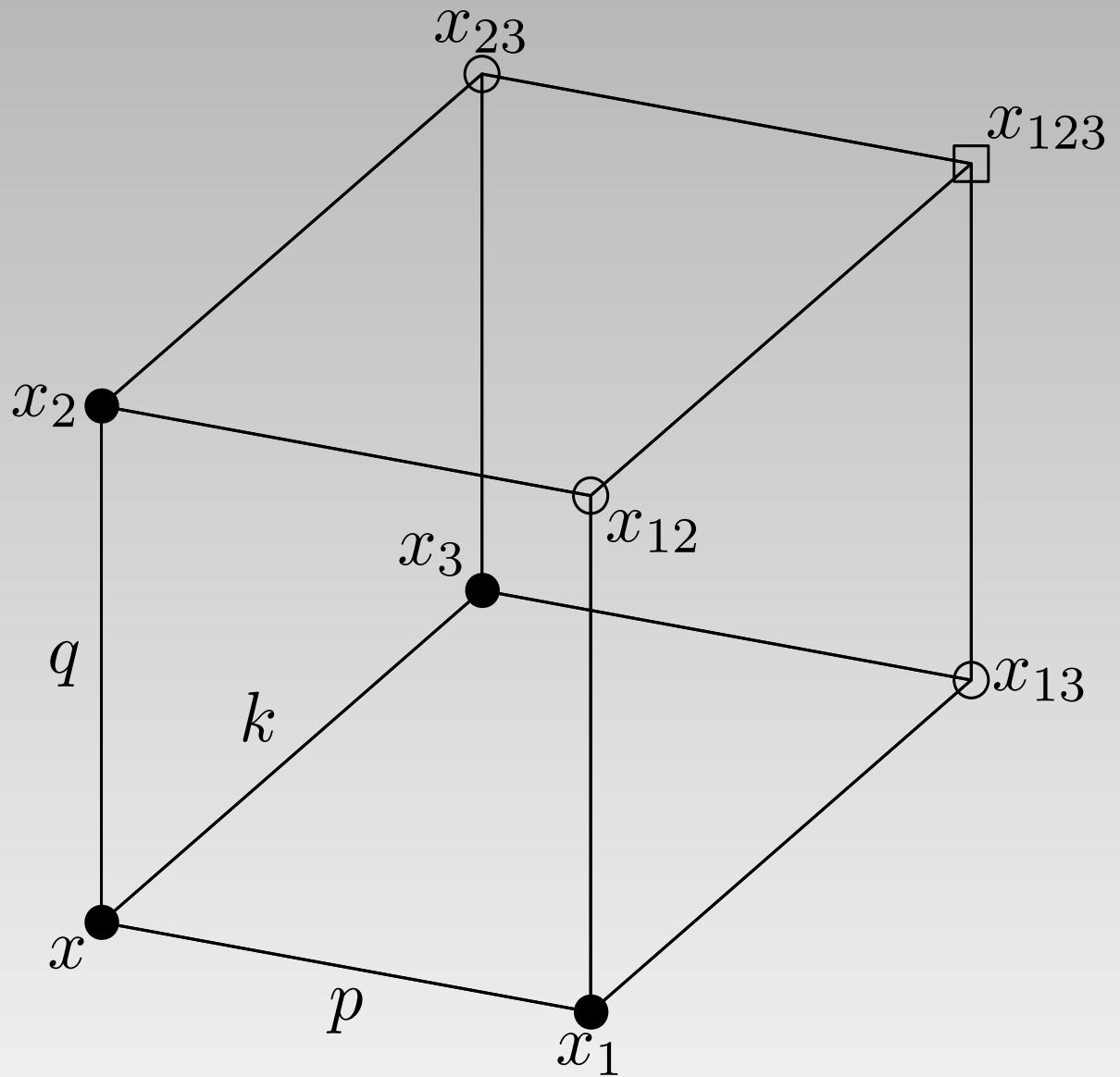
- Note: System has two single-edge equations and one full-face equation.

Concept of Consistency Around the Cube

Superposition of Bäcklund transformations between
4 solutions x, x_1, x_2, x_3 (3 parameters: p, q, k)



- Introduce a third lattice variable ℓ
- View u as dependent on three lattice points: n, m, ℓ . So, $x = u_{n,m} \rightarrow x = u_{n,m,\ell}$
- Move in three directions:
 - $n \rightarrow n + 1$ over distance p
 - $m \rightarrow m + 1$ over distance q
 - $\ell \rightarrow \ell + 1$ over distance k (spectral parameter)
- Require that the same lattice holds on the **front**, **bottom**, and **left** faces of the cube
- Require consistency for the computation of $x_{123} = u_{n+1,m+1,\ell+1}$ (3 ways \rightarrow same answer)



Verification of Consistency Around the Cube

Example: discrete pKdV equation

★ Equation on front face of cube:

$$(x - x_{12})(x_1 - x_2) - p^2 + q^2 = 0$$

Solve for $x_{12} = x - \frac{p^2 - q^2}{x_1 - x_2}$

Compute x_{123} : $x_{12} \longrightarrow x_{123} = x_3 - \frac{p^2 - q^2}{x_{13} - x_{23}}$

★ Equation on floor of cube:

$$(x - x_{13})(x_1 - x_3) - p^2 + k^2 = 0$$

Solve for $x_{13} = x - \frac{p^2 - k^2}{x_1 - x_3}$

Compute x_{123} : $x_{13} \longrightarrow x_{123} = x_2 - \frac{p^2 - k^2}{x_{12} - x_{23}}$

★ Equation on left face of cube:

$$(x - x_{23})(x_3 - x_2) - k^2 + q^2 = 0$$

Solve for $x_{23} = x - \frac{q^2 - k^2}{x_2 - x_3}$

Compute x_{123} : $x_{23} \longrightarrow x_{123} = x_1 - \frac{q^2 - k^2}{x_{12} - x_{13}}$

★ Verify that all three coincide:

$$x_{123} = x_1 - \frac{q^2 - k^2}{x_{12} - x_{13}} = x_2 - \frac{p^2 - k^2}{x_{12} - x_{23}} = x_3 - \frac{p^2 - q^2}{x_{13} - x_{23}}$$

Upon substitution of x_{12} , x_{13} , and x_{23} :

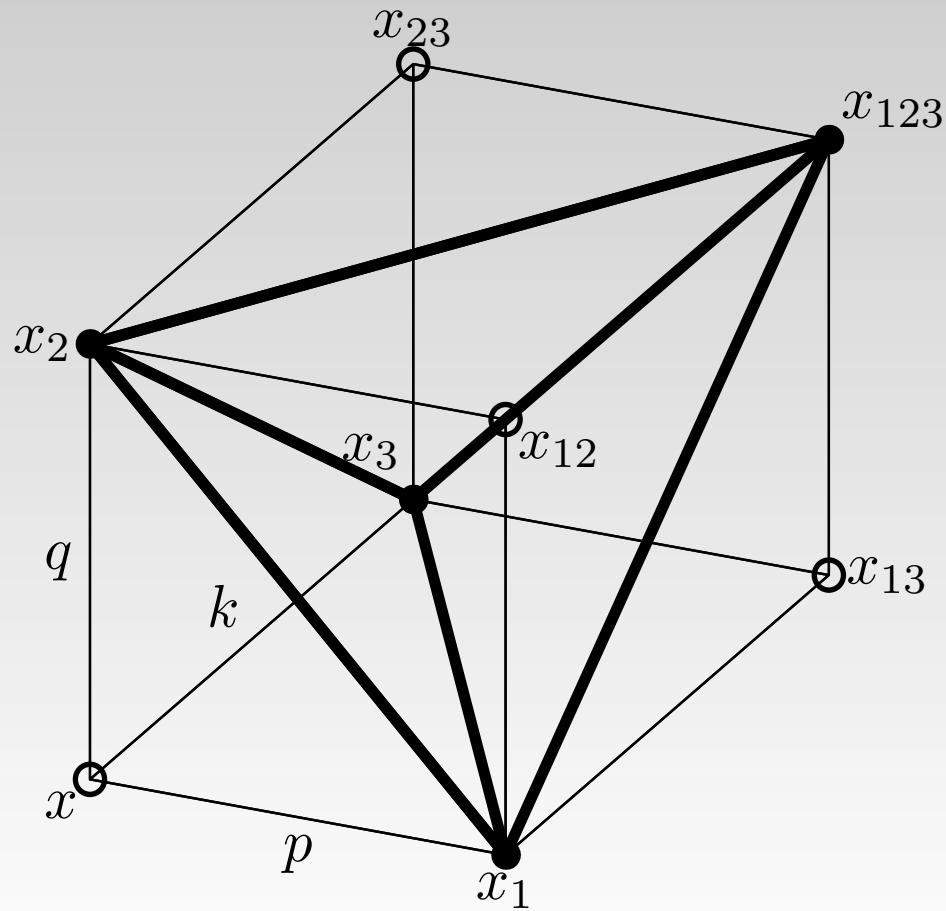
$$x_{123} = \frac{p^2 x_1 (x_2 - x_3) + q^2 x_2 (x_3 - x_1) + k^2 x_3 (x_1 - x_2)}{p^2 (x_2 - x_3) + q^2 (x_3 - x_1) + k^2 (x_1 - x_2)}$$

Consistency around the cube is satisfied!

Tetrahedron property

$$x_{123} = \frac{p^2 x_1(x_2 - x_3) + q^2 x_2(x_3 - x_1) + k^2 x_3(x_1 - x_2)}{p^2(x_2 - x_3) + q^2(x_3 - x_1) + k^2(x_1 - x_2)}$$

is independent of x . Connects x_{123} to x_1, x_2 and x_3 .



Classification of 2D scalar nonlinear PΔEs

Adler, Bobenko, Suris (ABS) 2003, 2007

- Consider a family PΔEs: $Q(x, x_1, x_2, x_{12}; p, q) = 0$
- Assumptions (ABS 2003):

1. Affine linear

$$Q(x, x_1, x_2, x_{12}; p, q) = a_1 x x_1 x_2 x_{12} + a_2 x x_1 x_2 + \dots + a_{14} x_2 + a_{15} x_{12} + a_{16}$$

2. Invariant under D_4 (symmetries of square)

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x, x_1, x_2, x_{12}; p, q) &= \epsilon Q(x, x_2, x_1, x_{12}; q, p) \\ &= \sigma Q(x_1, x, x_{12}, x_2; p, q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon, \sigma = \pm 1$$

3. Consistency around the cube

Result of the ABS Classification

- List H

- ▶ H1

$$(x - x_{12})(x_1 - x_2) + q - p = 0$$

- ▶ H2

$$(x - x_{12})(x_1 - x_2) + (q - p)(x + x_1 + x_2 + x_{12}) + q^2 - p^2 = 0$$

- ▶ H3

$$p(xx_1 + x_2x_{12}) - q(xx_2 + x_1x_{12}) + \delta(p^2 - q^2) = 0$$

- List A

- A1

$$p(x+x_2)(x_1+x_{12}) - q(x+x_1)(x_2+x_{12}) - \delta^2 pq(p-q) = 0$$

- A2

$$(q^2 - p^2)(xx_1x_2x_{12} + 1) + q(p^2 - 1)(xx_2 + x_1x_{12}) \\ - p(q^2 - 1)(xx_1 + x_2x_{12}) = 0$$

- List Q

- Q1

$$p(x-x_2)(x_1-x_{12}) - q(x-x_1)(x_2-x_{12}) + \delta^2 pq(p-q) = 0$$

- Q2

$$p(x-x_2)(x_1-x_{12}) - q(x-x_1)(x_2-x_{12}) + pq(p-q)$$

$$(x+x_1+x_2+x_{12}) - pq(p-q)(p^2-pq+q^2) = 0$$

- Q3

$$(q^2-p^2)(xx_{12}+x_1x_2) + q(p^2-1)(xx_1+x_2x_{12})$$

$$-p(q^2-1)(xx_2+x_1x_{12}) - \frac{\delta^2}{4pq}(p^2-q^2)(p^2-1)(q^2-1) = 0$$

► Q4 (mother) Hietarinta's Parametrization

$$\text{sn}(\alpha + \beta; k) (x_1 x_2 + x x_{12})$$

$$- \text{sn}(\alpha; k) (x x_1 + x_2 x_{12}) - \text{sn}(\beta; k) (x x_2 + x_1 x_{12})$$

$$+ \text{sn}(\alpha; k) \text{sn}(\beta; k) \text{sn}(\alpha + \beta; k) (1 + k^2 x x_1 x_2 x_{12}) = 0$$

where $\text{sn}(\alpha; k)$ is the Jacobi elliptic sine function with modulus k .

- Other parametrizations (Adler, Nijhoff, Viallet) are given in the literature.



Peter D. Lax (1926-)

Seminal paper: Integrals of nonlinear equations of evolution and solitary waves, Commun. Pure Appl. Math. 21 (1968) 467-490

Refresher: Lax Pairs of Nonlinear PDEs

- Historical example: Korteweg-de Vries equation

$$u_t + \alpha u u_x + u_{xxx} = 0 \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Key idea: Replace the **nonlinear** PDE with a compatible **linear** system (Lax pair):

$$\psi_{xx} + \left(\frac{1}{6}\alpha u - \lambda \right) \psi = 0$$

$$\psi_t + 4\psi_{xxx} + \alpha u \psi_x + \frac{1}{2}\alpha u_x \psi = 0$$

ψ is eigenfunction; λ is constant eigenvalue
 $(\lambda_t = 0)$ (isospectral)

Lax Pairs in Operator Form

- Replace a completely integrable nonlinear PDE by a pair of linear equations (called a Lax pair):

$$\mathcal{L}\psi = \lambda\psi \quad \text{and} \quad D_t\psi = \mathcal{M}\psi$$

- Require compatibility of both equations

$$\mathcal{L}_t\psi + (\mathcal{L}\mathcal{M} - \mathcal{M}\mathcal{L})\psi \doteq 0$$

Lax equation:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}_t + [\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{M}] \doteq \mathcal{O}}$$

with commutator $[\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{M}] = \mathcal{L}\mathcal{M} - \mathcal{M}\mathcal{L}$.

Furthermore, $\mathcal{L}_t\psi = [D_t, \mathcal{L}]\psi = D_t(\mathcal{L}\psi) - \mathcal{L}D_t\psi$

and \doteq means “evaluated on the PDE”

- Example: Lax operators for the KdV equation

$$\mathcal{L} = D_x^2 + \frac{1}{6}\alpha u I$$

$$\mathcal{M} = -\left(4D_x^3 + \alpha u D_x + \frac{1}{2}\alpha u_x I\right)$$

- Note: $\mathcal{L}_t\psi + [\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{M}]\psi = \frac{1}{6}\alpha(u_t + \alpha uu_x + u_{xxx})\psi$

Alternate Operator Formulations

- Define $\tilde{\mathcal{L}} = \mathcal{L} - \lambda \mathbf{I}$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{M}} = \mathcal{M} - D_t$
- Then, the Lax pair becomes

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}\psi = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\mathcal{M}}\psi = 0$$

and the Lax equation becomes $[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}, \tilde{\mathcal{M}}] \doteq \mathcal{O}$

Challenge: Find linear commuting operators modulo the (nonlinear) PDE

- If S is an arbitrary invertible operator, then

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}} = S\mathcal{L}S^{-1}, \quad \hat{\mathcal{M}} = S\mathcal{M}S^{-1}, \quad \hat{D}_t = S D_t S^{-1}$$

satisfy $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_t + [\hat{\mathcal{L}}, \hat{\mathcal{M}}] \doteq \mathcal{O}$

Lax Pairs in Matrix Form (AKNS Scheme)

- Express compatibility of

$$D_x \Psi = X \Psi$$

$$D_t \Psi = T \Psi$$

where $\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_N \end{bmatrix}$, X and T are $N \times N$ matrices

- Lax equation (zero-curvature equation):

$$D_t X - D_x T + [X, T] \doteq 0$$

with commutator $[X, T] = XT - TX$

- Example: Lax pair for the KdV equation

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \lambda - \frac{1}{6}\alpha u & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{6}\alpha u_x & -4\lambda - \frac{1}{3}\alpha u \\ -4\lambda^2 + \frac{1}{3}\alpha\lambda u + \frac{1}{18}\alpha^2 u^2 + \frac{1}{6}\alpha u_{2x} & -\frac{1}{6}\alpha u_x \end{bmatrix}$$

Substitution into the Lax equation yields

$$\mathsf{D}_t \mathbf{X} - \mathsf{D}_x \mathbf{T} + [\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{T}] = -\frac{1}{6}\alpha \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ u_t + \alpha uu_x + u_{3x} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Equivalence under Gauge Transformations

- Lax pairs are equivalent under a gauge transformation:

If (\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{T}) is a Lax pair then so is $(\tilde{\mathbf{X}}, \tilde{\mathbf{T}})$ with

$$\tilde{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{G}^{-1} + D_x(\mathbf{G})\mathbf{G}^{-1}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{G}^{-1} + D_t(\mathbf{G})\mathbf{G}^{-1}$$

\mathbf{G} is arbitrary invertible matrix and $\tilde{\Psi} = \mathbf{G}\Psi$.

Thus,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{X}}_t - \tilde{\mathbf{T}}_x + [\tilde{\mathbf{X}}, \tilde{\mathbf{T}}] \doteq \mathbf{0}$$

- Example: For the KdV equation

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \lambda - \frac{1}{6}\alpha u & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{X}} = \begin{bmatrix} -ik & \frac{1}{6}\alpha u \\ -1 & ik \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{G}^{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{G}^{-1}$$

with

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} -ik & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\lambda = -k^2$

Reasons to Compute a Lax Pair

- Compatible linear system is the starting point for application of the IST and the Riemann-Hilbert method for boundary value problems
- Confirm the complete integrability of the PDE
- Zero-curvature representation of the PDE
- Compute conservation laws of the PDE
- Discover families of completely integrable PDEs

Question: How to find a Lax pair of a completely integrable PDE?

Answer: There is no completely systematic method

Lax Pair of Nonlinear PΔEs

- Replace the nonlinear PΔE by

$$\psi_1 = L \psi \quad (\text{recall } \psi_1 = \psi_{n+1,m})$$

$$\psi_2 = M \psi \quad (\text{recall } \psi_2 = \psi_{n,m+1})$$

- For scalar PΔEs, L, M are 2×2 matrices; $\psi = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \end{bmatrix}$
- Express compatibility:

$$\psi_{12} = L_2 \psi_2 = L_2 M \psi$$

$$\psi_{12} = M_1 \psi_1 = M_1 L \psi$$

- Lax equation:
$$L_2 M - M_1 L \doteq 0$$

Equivalence under Gauge Transformations

- Lax pairs are equivalent under a **gauge transformation**

If (L, M) is a Lax pair then so is $(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{M})$ with

$$\mathcal{L} = G_1 L G^{-1}$$

$$\mathcal{M} = G_2 M G^{-1}$$

where G is non-singular matrix and $\phi = G\psi$

Proof: Trivial verification that

$$(\mathcal{L}_2 \mathcal{M} - \mathcal{M}_1 \mathcal{L}) \phi \doteq 0 \leftrightarrow (L_2 M - M_1 L) \psi \doteq 0$$

- Example 1: Discrete pKdV Equation

$$(x - x_{12})(x_1 - x_2) - p^2 + q^2 = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = tL_c = t \begin{bmatrix} x & p^2 - k^2 - xx_1 \\ 1 & -x_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = sM_c = s \begin{bmatrix} x & q^2 - k^2 - xx_2 \\ 1 & -x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = s = 1$ or $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{Det}L_c}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2-p^2}}$

and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{Det}M_c}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2-q^2}}$. Here, $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = 1$.

- Example 2: Schwarzian-Boussinesq System

$$z_1 y - x_1 + x = 0$$

$$z_2 y - x_2 + x = 0$$

$$z y_{12}(y_1 - y_2) - y(p y_2 z_1 - q y_1 z_2) = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t L_c = t \begin{bmatrix} -y & 0 & yz_1 \\ \frac{kyy_1}{z} & -\frac{pyz_1}{z} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = sM_c = s \begin{bmatrix} -y & 0 & yz_2 \\ \frac{kyy_2}{z} & -\frac{qyz_2}{z} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = s = \frac{1}{y}$, or $t = \frac{1}{y_1}$ and $s = \frac{1}{y_2}$,

or $t = \sqrt[3]{\frac{z}{y^2 y_1 z_1}}$ and $s = \sqrt[3]{\frac{z}{y^2 y_2 z_2}}$.

Here, $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{y_1}{y_2}$.

Lax Pair Algorithm for Scalar PΔEs

(Nijhoff 2001, Bobenko and Suris 2001)

Applies to PΔEs that are consistent around the cube

Example: Discrete pKdV Equation

- Step 1: Verify the consistency around the cube

Use the equation on floor

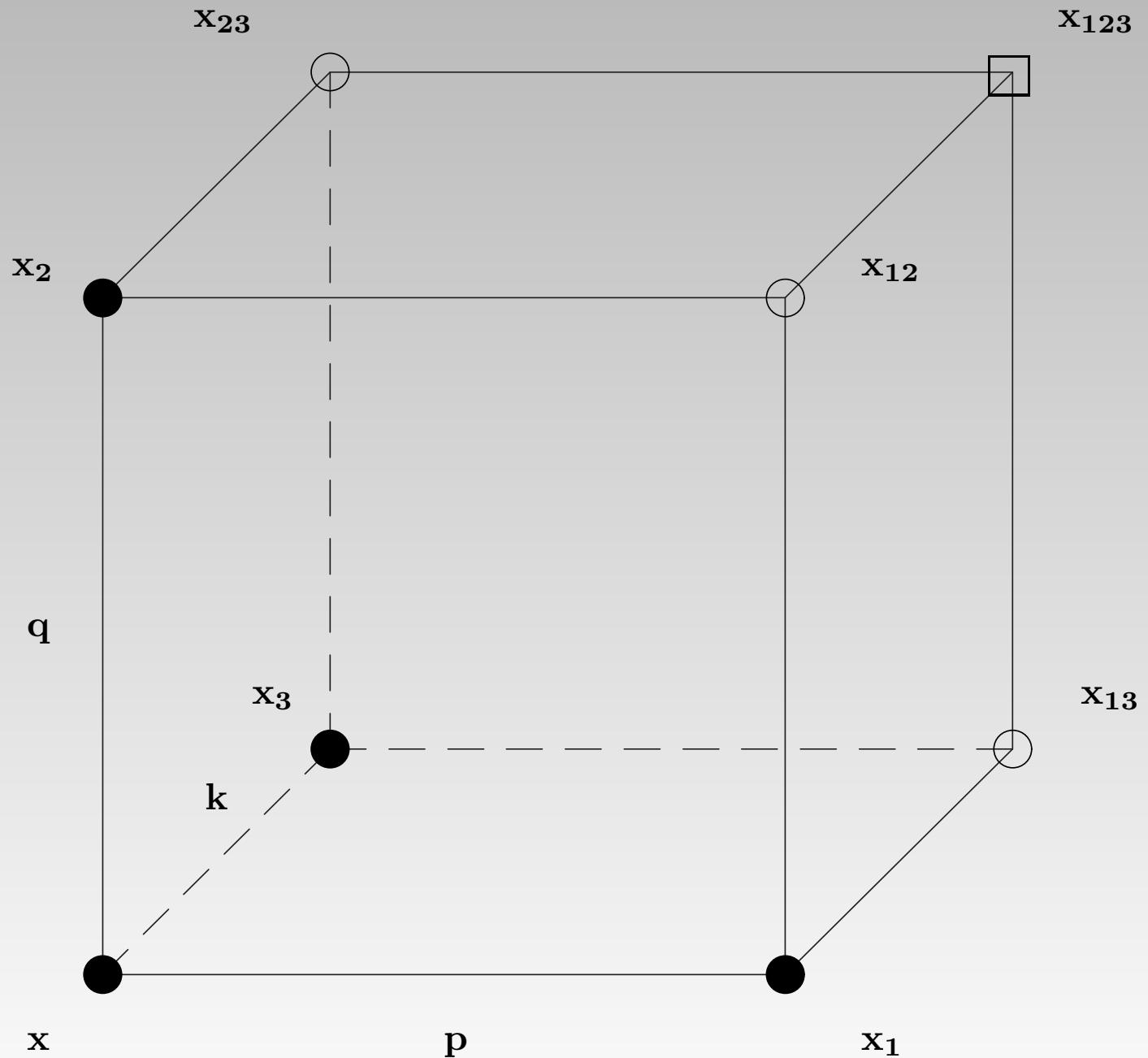
$$(x - x_{13})(x_1 - x_3) - p^2 + k^2 = 0$$

to compute $x_{13} = x - \frac{p^2 - k^2}{x_1 - x_3} = \frac{x_3 x - x x_1 + p^2 - k^2}{x_3 - x_1}$

Use the equation on left face

$$(x - x_{23})(x_3 - x_2) - k^2 + q^2 = 0$$

to compute $x_{23} = x - \frac{q^2 - k^2}{x_2 - x_3} = \frac{x_3 x - x x_2 + q^2 - k^2}{x_3 - x_2}$



- Step 2: Homogenization

- ★ Numerator and denominator of

$$x_{13} = \frac{x_3x - xx_1 + p^2 - k^2}{x_3 - x_1} \text{ and } x_{23} = \frac{x_3x - xx_2 + q^2 - k^2}{x_3 - x_2}$$

are linear in x_3 .

- ★ Substitute $x_3 = \frac{f}{g}$ into x_{13} to get

$$x_{13} = \frac{xf + (p^2 - k^2 - xx_1)g}{f - x_1g}$$

- ★ On the other hand, $x_3 = \frac{f}{g} \longrightarrow x_{13} = \frac{f_1}{g_1}$.

$$\text{Thus, } x_{13} = \frac{f_1}{g_1} = \frac{xf + (p^2 - k^2 - xx_1)g}{f - x_1g}.$$

Hence, $f_1 = t(xf + (p^2 - k^2 - xx_1)g)$ and
 $g_1 = t(f - x_1g)$

★ In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ g_1 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} x & p^2 - k^2 - xx_1 \\ 1 & -x_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \end{bmatrix}$$

Matches $\psi_1 = L \psi$ with $\psi = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \end{bmatrix}$

★ Similarly, from $x_{23} = \frac{f_2}{g_2} = \frac{xf + (q^2 - k^2 - xx_2)g}{f - x_2g}$

$$\psi_2 = \begin{bmatrix} f_2 \\ g_2 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} x & q^2 - k^2 - xx_2 \\ 1 & -x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \end{bmatrix} = M \psi.$$

Therefore,

$$L = t L_c = t \begin{bmatrix} x & p^2 - k^2 - xx_1 \\ 1 & -x_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s M_c = s \begin{bmatrix} x & q^2 - k^2 - xx_2 \\ 1 & -x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Step 3: Determine t and s

- ★ Substitute $L = t L_c, M = s M_c$ into $L_2 M - M_1 L = 0$

$$\rightarrow t_2 s (L_c)_2 M_c - s_1 t (M_c)_1 L_c = 0$$

- ★ Solve the equation from the (2-1)-element for

$$\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = f(x, x_1, x_2, p, q, \dots)$$

Find rational t and s .

- ★ Apply determinant to get

$$\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \sqrt{\frac{\det L_c}{\det (L_c)_2}} \sqrt{\frac{\det (M_c)_1}{\det M_c}}$$

Solution: $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det L_c}}, \quad s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det M_c}}$

 \rightarrow Always works but introduces roots!

The ratio $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1}$ is invariant under the change

$$t \rightarrow \frac{a_1}{a} t, \quad s \rightarrow \frac{a_2}{a} s,$$

where $a(x)$ is arbitrary.

Proper choice of $a(x) \Rightarrow$ Rational t and s .

No roots needed!

Lax Pair Algorithm – Systems of P Δ E_S

(Nijhoff 2001, Bobenko and Suris 2001)

Applies to systems of P Δ E_S that are
consistent around the cube

Example: Schwarzian-Boussinesq System

$$z_1 y - x_1 + x = 0$$

$$z_2 y - x_2 + x = 0$$

$$z y_{12}(y_1 - y_2) - y(p y_2 z_1 - q y_1 z_2) = 0$$

- Note: System has two single-edge equations and one full-face equation

- Edge equations require augmentation of system with additional shifted, edge equations

$$z_{12} y_2 - x_{12} + x_2 = 0$$

$$z_{12} y_1 - x_{12} + x_1 = 0$$

- Edge equations will provide additional constraints during homogenization (Step 2).

- Step 1: Verify the consistency around the cube
 - ★ System on the front face:

$$z_1y - x_1 + x = 0$$

$$z_2y - x_2 + x = 0$$

$$z_{12}y_2 - x_{12} + x_2 = 0$$

$$z_{12}y_1 - x_{12} + x_1 = 0$$

$$zy_{12}(y_1 - y_2) - y(py_2z_1 - qy_1z_2) = 0$$

Solve for x_{12} , y_{12} , and z_{12} :

$$x_{12} = \frac{x_2 y_1 - x_1 y_2}{y_1 - y_2}$$

$$y_{12} = \frac{(x_2 - x_1)(qy_1 z_2 - py_2 z_1)}{z(y_1 - y_2)(z_1 - z_2)}$$

$$z_{12} = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{y_1 - y_2}$$

Compute x_{123} , y_{123} , and z_{123} :

$$x_{123} = \frac{x_{23} y_{13} - x_{13} y_{23}}{y_{13} - y_{23}}$$

$$y_{123} = \frac{py_{23} y_3 z_{13} - qy_{13} y_3 z_{23}}{z_3(y_{13} - y_{23})}$$

$$z_{123} = \frac{x_{23} - x_{13}}{y_{13} - y_{23}}$$

★ System on the bottom face:

$$z_1y - x_1 + x = 0$$

$$z_3y - x_3 + x = 0$$

$$zy_{13}(y_1 - y_3) - y(py_3z_1 - ky_1z_3) = 0$$

$$z_{13}y_3 - x_{13} + x_3 = 0$$

$$z_{13}y_1 - x_{13} + x_1 = 0$$

Solve for x_{13} , y_{13} , and z_{13} :

$$x_{13} = \frac{x_3y_1 - x_1y_3}{y_1 - y_3}$$

$$y_{13} = \frac{(x_2 - x_1)(ky_1z_3 - py_3z_1)}{z(y_1 - y_3)(z_1 - z_2)}$$

$$z_{13} = \frac{x_3 - x_1}{y_1 - y_3}$$

Compute x_{123} , y_{123} , and z_{123} :

$$x_{123} = \frac{x_{23}y_{12} - x_{12}y_{23}}{y_{12} - y_{23}}$$

$$y_{123} = \frac{py_2y_{23}z_{12} - ky_{12}y_2z_{23}}{z_2(y_{12} - y_{23})}$$

$$z_{123} = \frac{x_{23} - x_{12}}{y_{12} - y_{23}}$$

* System on the left face:

$$z_3y - x_3 + x = 0$$

$$z_2y - x_2 + x = 0$$

$$z_{23}y_2 - x_{23} + x_2 = 0$$

$$z_{23}y_3 - x_{23} + x_3 = 0$$

$$zy_{23}(y_3 - y_2) - y(py_2z_3 - qy_3z_2) = 0$$

Solve for x_{23} , y_{23} , and z_{23} :

$$x_{23} = \frac{x_3y_2 - x_2y_3}{y_2 - y_3}$$

$$y_{23} = \frac{(x_2 - x_1)(ky_2z_3 - qy_3z_2)}{z(y_2 - y_3)(z_1 - z_2)}$$

$$z_{23} = \frac{x_3 - x_2}{y_2 - y_3}$$

Compute x_{123} , y_{123} , and z_{123} :

$$x_{123} = \frac{x_{13}y_{12} - x_{12}y_{13}}{y_{12} - y_{13}}$$

$$y_{123} = \frac{qy_1y_{13}z_{12} - ky_1y_{12}z_{13}}{z_1(y_{12} - y_{13})}$$

$$z_{123} = \frac{x_{13} - x_{12}}{y_{12} - y_{13}}$$

Substitute x_{12} , y_{12} , y_{12} , x_{13} , y_{13} , z_{13} , x_{23} , y_{23} , z_{23} into the above to get

$$x_{123} = \frac{(pz_1(x_3y_2 - x_2y_3) + qz_2(x_1y_3 - x_3y_1) + kz_3(x_2y_1 - x_1y_2))}{(pz_1(y_2 - y_3) + qz_2(y_3 - y_1) + kz_3(y_1 - y_2))}$$

$$y_{123} = \frac{pqy_3z_1(x_2 - x_1) + kpy_2z_1(x_1 - x_3) + kqy_1(x_3z_2 - x_1z_2 + x_1z_3 - x_2z_3)}{z_1(pz_1(y_2 - y_3) + qz_2(y_3 - y_1) + kz_3(y_1 - y_2))}$$

$$z_{123} = \frac{z(z_1 - z_2)(x_3(y_1 - y_2) + x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1))}{(x_1 - x_2)(pz_1(y_2 - y_3) + qz_2(y_3 - y_1) + kz_3(y_1 - y_2))}$$

Answer is **unique** and independent of x and y .

Consistency around the cube is satisfied!

- Step 2: Homogenization

- ★ Observed that x_3 , y_3 and z_3 appear linearly in numerators and denominators of

$$x_{13} = \frac{y_1(x + yz_3) - y_3(x + yz_1)}{y_1 - y_3}$$

$$y_{13} = \frac{pyy_3z_1 - kyy_1z_3}{z(y_1 - y_3)}$$

$$z_{13} = \frac{y(z_3 - z_1)}{y_1 - y_3}$$

$$x_{23} = \frac{y_2(x + yz_3) - y_3(x + yz_2)}{y_2 - y_3}$$

$$y_{23} = \frac{qyy_3z_2 - kyy_2z_3}{z(y_2 - y_3)}$$

$$z_{23} = \frac{y(z_3 - z_2)}{y_2 - y_3}$$

★ Substitute

$$x_3 = \frac{h}{H}, \quad y_3 = \frac{g}{G}, \quad \text{and} \quad z_3 = \frac{f}{F}.$$

★ Use constraints (from left face edges)

$$\begin{aligned} z_1y - x_1 + x &= 0, \quad z_2y - x_2 + x = 0 \\ \Rightarrow z_3y - x_3 + x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solve for $x_3 = z_3 y + x$ (since x_3 appears linearly).

Thus, $x_3 = \frac{fy+Fx}{F}$, $y_3 = \frac{g}{G}$, and $z_3 = \frac{f}{F}$.

★ Substitute x_3 , y_3 , z_3 into x_{13} , y_{13} , z_{13} :

$$\begin{aligned}x_{13} &= \frac{Fgx - FGxy_1 - fGyy_1 + Fgyz_1}{F(g - Gy_1)} \\y_{13} &= \frac{y(fGky_1 - Fgpz_1)}{F(g - Gy_1)z} \\z_{13} &= \frac{Gy(Fz_1 - f)}{F(g - Gy_1)}\end{aligned}$$

Require that numerators and denominators are linear in f, F, g , and G . That forces $G = F$.

Hence, $x_3 = \frac{fy+Fx}{F}$, $y_3 = \frac{g}{F}$, and $z_3 = \frac{f}{F}$.

★ Compute

$$x_3 = \frac{fy + Fx}{F} \rightarrow x_{13} = \frac{f_1y_1 + F_1x_1}{F_1}$$

$$y_3 = \frac{g}{F} \rightarrow y_{13} = \frac{g_1}{F_1}$$

$$z_3 = \frac{f}{F} \rightarrow z_{13} = \frac{f_1}{F_1}$$

Hence,

$$x_{13} = \frac{-fyy_1 + g(x + yz_1) - Fxy_1}{g - Fy_1} = \frac{f_1y_1 + F_1x_1}{F_1}$$

$$y_{13} = \frac{y(fky_1 - gpz_1)}{(g - Fy_1)z} = \frac{g_1}{F_1}$$

$$z_{13} = \frac{y(-f + Fz_1)}{g - Fy_1} = \frac{f_1}{F_1}$$

Note that

$$x_{13} = \frac{-fyy_1 + g(x + yz_1) - Fxy_1}{g - Fy_1} = \frac{f_1y_1 + F_1x_1}{F_1}$$

is automatically satisfied as a result of the relation
 $x_3 = z_3 y + x$.

* Write in matrix form:

$$\psi_1 = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ g_1 \\ F_1 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -y & 0 & yz_1 \\ \frac{kyy_1}{z} & -\frac{pyz_1}{z} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -y_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \\ F \end{bmatrix} = L \psi$$

* Repeat the same steps for x_{23}, y_{23}, z_{23} to obtain

$$\psi_2 = \begin{bmatrix} f_2 \\ g_2 \\ F_2 \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} -y & 0 & yz_2 \\ \frac{kyy_2}{z} & -\frac{qyz_2}{z} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -y_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \\ F \end{bmatrix} = M \psi$$

* Therefore,

$$L = tL_c = t \begin{bmatrix} -y & 0 & yz_1 \\ \frac{kyy_1}{z} & -\frac{pyz_1}{z} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = sM_c = s \begin{bmatrix} -y & 0 & yz_2 \\ \frac{kyy_2}{z} & -\frac{qyz_2}{z} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Step 3: Determine t and s
 - ★ Substitute $L = t L_c, M = s M_c$ into $L_2 M - M_1 L = 0$
 - $\longrightarrow t_2 s (L_c)_2 M_c - s_1 t (M_c)_1 L_c = 0$
 - ★ Solve the equation from the (2-1)-element:

$$\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{y_1}{y_2}.$$

Thus, $t = s = \frac{1}{y}$, or $t = \frac{1}{y_1}$ and $s = \frac{1}{y_2}$,

or $t = \sqrt[3]{\frac{z}{y^2 y_1 z_1}}$ and $s = \sqrt[3]{\frac{z}{y^2 y_2 z_2}}.$

- Example 3: Lattice due to Hietarinta (2011)

$$x_1 z - y_1 - x = 0$$

$$x_2 z - y_2 - x = 0$$

$$z_{12} - \frac{y}{x} - \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{px_1 - qx_2}{z_1 - z_2} \right) = 0$$

Note: System has two **single-edge** equations and one **full-face** equation.

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} \frac{yz}{x} & \frac{k}{x} & \frac{kx - px_1 z - yzz_1}{x} \\ -x_1 z & z_1 & xz_1 \\ z & 0 & -zz_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} \frac{yz}{x} & \frac{k}{x} & \frac{kx - qx_2z - yzz_2}{x} \\ -x_2z & z_2 & xz_2 \\ z & 0 & -zz_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $t = s = \frac{1}{z}$, or $t = \frac{1}{z_1}$, $s = \frac{1}{z_2}$,

or $t = \sqrt[3]{\frac{x}{x_1 z^2 z_1}}$, $s = \sqrt[3]{\frac{x}{x_2 z^2 z_2}}$.

Here, $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{z_1}{z_2}$.

- Example 4: Discrete Boussinesq System
(Tongas and Nijhoff 2005)

$$z_1 - xx_1 + y = 0$$

$$z_2 - xx_2 + y = 0$$

$$(x_2 - x_1)(z - xx_{12} + y_{12}) - p + q = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} -x_1 & 1 & 0 \\ -y_1 & 0 & 1 \\ p - k - xy_1 + x_1 z & -z & x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 & 1 & 0 \\ -y_2 & 0 & 1 \\ q - k - xy_2 + x_2 z & -z & x \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = s = 1$, or $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{p-k}}$ and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{q-k}}$.

Note: $x_3 = \frac{f}{F}$, $y_3 = \frac{g}{F}$, and $\psi = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ F \\ g \end{bmatrix}$, and $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = 1$.

- Example 5: System of pKdV Lattices
(Xenitidis and Mikhailov 2009)

$$(x - x_{12})(y_1 - y_2) - p^2 + q^2 = 0$$

$$(y - y_{12})(x_1 - x_2) - p^2 + q^2 = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & tx & t(p^2 - k^2 - xy_1) \\ 0 & 0 & t & -ty_1 \\ Ty & T(p^2 - k^2 - x_1y) & 0 & 0 \\ T & -Tx_1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & sx & s(q^2 - k^2 - xy_2) \\ 0 & 0 & s & -sy_2 \\ Sy & S(q^2 - k^2 - x_2y) & 0 & 0 \\ S & -Sx_2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = s = T = S = 1$,

or $tT = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{Det}L_c}} = \frac{1}{p-k}$ and $sS = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{Det}M_c}} = \frac{1}{q-k}$.

Note: $\frac{t_2}{T} \frac{S}{s_1} = 1$ and $\frac{T_2}{t} \frac{s}{S_1} = 1$,

or $\frac{\mathcal{T}_2}{\mathcal{T}} \frac{\mathcal{S}}{\mathcal{S}_1} = 1$, with $\mathcal{T} = tT$, $\mathcal{S} = sS$.

Here, $x_3 = \frac{f}{F}$, $y_3 = \frac{g}{G}$, and $\psi = [f \ F \ g \ G]^T$.

- Example 6: Discrete NLS System
(Xenitidis and Mikhailov 2009)

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 - y_2 - y ((x_1 - x_2)y + p - q) &= 0 \\ x_1 - x_2 + x_{12} ((x_1 - x_2)y + p - q) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 & x_1 \\ y & k - p - yx_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} -1 & x_2 \\ y & k - q - yx_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = s = 1$, or $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{Det}L_c}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha-k}}$ and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta-k}}$.

Note: $x_3 = \frac{f}{F}$, $\psi = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ F \end{bmatrix}$, and $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = 1$.

- Example 7: Schwarzian Boussinesq Lattice
(Nijhoff 1999)

$$z_1 y - x_1 + x = 0$$

$$z_2 y - x_2 + x = 0$$

$$z y_{12} (y_1 - y_2) - y(p y_2 z_1 - q y_1 z_2) = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} y & 0 & -yz_1 \\ -\frac{kyy_1}{z} & \frac{pyz_1}{z} & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} y & 0 & -yz_2 \\ -\frac{kyy_2}{z} & \frac{pyz_2}{z} & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = s = \frac{1}{y}$, or $t = \frac{1}{y_1}$ and $s = \frac{1}{y_2}$,

or $t = \sqrt[3]{\frac{z}{y^2 y_1 z_1}}$ and $s = \sqrt[3]{\frac{z}{y^2 y_2 z_2}}$.

Note: $x_3 = \frac{fy+Fx}{F}$, $y_3 = \frac{g}{F}$, $z_3 = \frac{f}{F}$, $\psi = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \\ F \end{bmatrix}$,

and $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{y_1}{y_2}$.

- Example 8: Toda modified Boussinesq System (Nijhoff 1992)

$$y_{12}(p - q + x_2 - x_1) - (p - 1)y_2 + (q - 1)y_1 = 0$$

$$y_1y_2(p - q - z_2 + z_1) - (p - 1)yy_2 + (q - 1)yy_1 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} y(p + q - z - x_{12})(p - q + x_2 - x_1) - (p^2 + p + 1)y_1 \\ + (q^2 + q + 1)y_2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} k + p - z & \frac{1+k+k^2}{y} & \frac{-k^2y - y_1 - p^2(y_1 - y) - ky(x_1 - z) + yzx_1}{y} \\ 0 & p - 1 & (1 - k)y_1 \\ 1 & 0 & p - k - x_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} k + q - z & \frac{1+k+k^2}{y} & \frac{-k^2y-y_2-q^2(y_2-y)-ky(x_2-z)+yzx_2}{y} \\ 0 & q - 1 & \frac{q(y_2+yx_2+yz)}{y} \\ 1 & 0 & (1 - k)y_2 \\ & & q - k - x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = s = 1$, or $t = \sqrt[3]{\frac{y_1}{y}}$ and $s = \sqrt[3]{\frac{y_2}{y}}$.

Note: $x_3 = \frac{f}{F}$, $y_3 = \frac{g}{F}$, $\psi = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ g \\ F \end{bmatrix}$

Here, $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = 1$.

Software Demonstration

Conclusions and Future Work

- *Mathematica* code works for scalar $\text{P}\Delta\text{E}_s$ in 2D defined on quad-graphs (quadrilateral faces).
- *Mathematica* code has been extended to systems of $\text{P}\Delta\text{E}_s$ in 2D defined on quad-graphs.
- Code can be used to test (i) consistency around the cube and compute or test (ii) Lax pairs.
- Consistency around cube $\implies \text{P}\Delta\text{E}$ has Lax pair.
- $\text{P}\Delta\text{E}$ has Lax pair $\not\implies$ consistency around cube.
Indeed, there are $\text{P}\Delta\text{E}_s$ with a Lax pair that are not consistent around the cube.
Example: discrete sine-Gordon equation.

- Avoid the determinant method to avoid square roots! Factorization plays an essential role!
- Hard cases: Q_4 equation (elliptic curves, Weierstraß functions) (Nijhoff 2001) and Q_5
- Future Work: Extension to more complicated systems of $\text{P}\Delta\text{E}_s$.
- $\text{P}\Delta\text{E}_s$ in 3D: Lax pair will be expressed in terms of tensors. Consistency around a “hypercube”.
Examples: discrete Kadomtsev-Petviashvili (KP) equations.

Thank You

Additional Examples

- Example 9: (H1) Equation (ABS classification)

$$(x - x_{12})(x_1 - x_2) + q - p = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} x & p - k - xx_1 \\ 1 & -x_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} x & q - k - xx_2 \\ 1 & -x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = s = 1$ or $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k-p}}$ and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k-q}}$

Note: $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = 1$.

- Example 10: (H2) Equation (ABS 2003)

$$(x-x_{12})(x_1-x_2)+(q-p)(x+x_1+x_2+x_{12})+q^2-p^2=0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} p - k + x & p^2 - k^2 + (p - k)(x + x_1) - xx_1 \\ 1 & -(p - k + x_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} q - k + x & q^2 - k^2 + (q - k)(x + x_2) - xx_2 \\ 1 & -(q - k + x_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(k-p)(p+x+x_1)}}$ and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(k-q)(q+x+x_2)}}$

Note: $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{p+x+x_1}{q+x+x_2}$.

- Example 11: (H3) Equation (ABS 2003)

$$p(xx_1 + x_2x_{12}) - q(xx_2 + x_1x_{12}) + \delta(p^2 - q^2) = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} kx & -(\delta(p^2 - k^2) + pxx_1) \\ p & -kx_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} kx & -(\delta(q^2 - k^2) + qx x_2) \\ q & -kx_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(p^2 - k^2)(\delta p + xx_1)}}$ and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(q^2 - k^2)(\delta q + xx_2)}}$

Note: $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{\delta p + xx_1}{\delta q + xx_2}$.

- Example 12: (H3) Equation ($\delta = 0$) (ABS 2003)

$$p(xx_1 + x_2x_{12}) - q(xx_2 + x_1x_{12}) = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} kx & -pxx_1 \\ p & -kx_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} kx & -qxx_2 \\ q & -kx_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = s = \frac{1}{x}$ or $t = \frac{1}{x_1}$ and $s = \frac{1}{x_2}$

Note: $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{x x_1}{x x_2} = \frac{x_1}{x_2}$.

- Example 13: (Q1) Equation (ABS 2003)

$$p(x-x_2)(x_1-x_{12}) - q(x-x_1)(x_2-x_{12}) + \delta^2 pq(p-q) = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} (p-k)x_1 + kx & -p(\delta^2 k(p-k) + xx_1) \\ p & -((p-k)x + kx_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} (q-k)x_2 + kx & -q(\delta^2 k(q-k) + xx_2) \\ q & -((q-k)x + kx_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

with $t = \frac{1}{\delta p \pm (x-x_1)}$ and $s = \frac{1}{\delta q \pm (x-x_2)}$,

or $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(p-k)((\delta p+x-x_1)(\delta p-x+x_1))}}$ and

$$s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(q-k)((\delta q+x-x_2)(\delta q-x+x_2))}}$$

Note: $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{q(\delta p+(x-x_1))(\delta p-(x-x_1))}{p(\delta q+(x-x_2))(\delta q-(x-x_2))}.$

- Example 14: (Q1) Equation ($\delta = 0$) (ABS 2003)

$$p(x - x_2)(x_1 - x_{12}) - q(x - x_1)(x_2 - x_{12}) = 0$$

which is the cross-ratio equation

$$\frac{(x - x_1)(x_{12} - x_2)}{(x_1 - x_{12})(x_2 - x)} = \frac{p}{q}$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} (p - k)x_1 + kx & -pxx_1 \\ p & -((p - k)x + kx_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} (q - k)x_2 + kx & -qx x_2 \\ q & -((q - k)x + kx_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

Here, $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{q(x-x_1)^2}{p(x-x_2)^2}$. So, $t = \frac{1}{x-x_1}$ and $s = \frac{1}{x-x_2}$

or $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(k-p)}(x-x_1)}$ and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(k-q)}(x-x_2)}$.

- Example 15: (Q2) Equation (ABS 2003)

$$p(x-x_2)(x_1-x_{12}) - q(x-x_1)(x_2-x_{12}) + pq(p-q) \\ (x+x_1+x_2+x_{12}) - pq(p-q)(p^2-pq+q^2) = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} (k-p)(kp-x_1) + kx & \\ -p(k(k-p)(k^2-kp+p^2-x-x_1)+xx_1) & \\ p & -((k-p)(kp-x)+kx_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} (k-q)(kq-x_2) + kx & \\ -q(k(k-q)(k^2-kq+q^2-x-x_2)+xx_2) & \\ q & -((k-q)(kq-x)+kx_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

- with

$$t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(k-p)((x-x_1)^2 - 2p^2(x+x_1) + p^4)}}$$

and

$$s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(k-q)((x-x_2)^2 - 2q^2(x+x_2) + q^4)}}$$

Note:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} &= \frac{q((x-x_1)^2 - 2p^2(x+x_1) + p^4)}{p((x-x_2)^2 - 2q^2(x+x_2) + q^4)} \\ &= \frac{p((X+X_1)^2 - p^2)((X-X_1)^2 - p^2)}{q((X+X_2)^2 - q^2)((X-X_2)^2 - q^2)} \end{aligned}$$

with $x = X^2$, and, consequently, $x_1 = X_1^2$, $x_2 = X_2^2$.

- Example 16: (Q3) Equation (ABS 2003)

$$(q^2 - p^2)(xx_{12} + x_1x_2) + q(p^2 - 1)(xx_1 + x_2x_{12}) \\ -p(q^2 - 1)(xx_2 + x_1x_{12}) - \frac{\delta^2}{4pq}(p^2 - q^2)(p^2 - 1)(q^2 - 1) = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} -4kp(p(k^2 - 1)x + (p^2 - k^2)x_1) & \\ & -(p^2 - 1)(\delta^2k^2 - \delta^2k^4 - \delta^2p^2 + \delta^2k^2p^2 - 4k^2pxx_1) \\ -4k^2p(p^2 - 1) & 4kp(p(k^2 - 1)x_1 + (p^2 - k^2)x) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} -4kq(q(k^2 - 1)x + (q^2 - k^2)x_2) & \\ & -(q^2 - 1)(\delta^2k^2 - \delta^2k^4 - \delta^2q^2 + \delta^2k^2q^2 - 4k^2qxx_2) \\ -4k^2q(q^2 - 1) & 4kq(q(k^2 - 1)x_2 + (q^2 - k^2)x) \end{bmatrix}$$

- with

$$t = \frac{1}{2k\sqrt{p(k^2-1)(k^2-p^2)\left(4p^2(x^2+x_1^2)-4p(1+p^2)xx_1+\delta^2(1-p^2)^2\right)}}$$

and

$$s = \frac{1}{2k\sqrt{q(k^2-1)(k^2-q^2)\left(4q^2(x^2+x_2^2)-4q(1+q^2)xx_2+\delta^2(1-q^2)^2\right)}}.$$

Note:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} \\ &= \frac{q(q^2-1) (4p^2(x^2+x_1^2)-4p(1+p^2)xx_1+\delta^2(1-p^2)^2)}{p(p^2-1) (4q^2(x^2+x_2^2)-4q(1+q^2)xx_2+\delta^2(1-q^2)^2)} \\ &= \frac{q(q^2-1) (4p^2(x-x_1)^2-4p(p-1)^2xx_1+\delta^2(1-p^2)^2)}{p(p^2-1) (4q^2(x-x_2)^2-4q(q-1)^2xx_2+\delta^2(1-q^2)^2)} \\ &= \frac{q(q^2-1) (4p^2(x+x_1)^2-4p(p+1)^2xx_1+\delta^2(1-p^2)^2)}{p(p^2-1) (4q^2(x+x_2)^2-4q(q+1)^2xx_2+\delta^2(1-q^2)^2)} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & 4p^2(x^2 + x_1^2) - 4p(1+p^2)xx_1 + \delta^2(1-p^2)^2 \\ &= \delta^2(p - e^{X+X_1})(p - e^{-(X+X_1)})(p - e^{X-X_1})(p - e^{-(X-X_1)}) \\ &= \delta^2(p - \cosh(X + X_1) + \sinh(X + X_1)) \\ &\quad (p - \cosh(X + X_1) - \sinh(X + X_1)) \\ &\quad (p - \cosh(X - X_1) + \sinh(X - X_1)) \\ &\quad (p - \cosh(X - X_1) - \sinh(X - X_1)) \end{aligned}$$

with $x = \delta \cosh(X)$, and, consequently,

$$x_1 = \delta \cosh(X_1), \quad x_2 = \delta \cosh(X_2).$$

- Example 17: (Q3) Equation $(\delta) = 0$ (ABS 2003)

$$(q^2 - p^2)(xx_{12} + x_1x_2) + q(p^2 - 1)(xx_1 + x_2x_{12}) \\ - p(q^2 - 1)(xx_2 + x_1x_{12}) = 0$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} (p^2 - k^2)x_1 + p(k^2 - 1)x & -k(p^2 - 1)xx_1 \\ (p^2 - 1)k & -((p^2 - k^2)x + p(k^2 - 1)x_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} (q^2 - k^2)x_2 + q(k^2 - 1)x & -k(q^2 - 1)xx_2 \\ (q^2 - 1)k & -((q^2 - k^2)x + q(k^2 - 1)x_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

• with $t = \frac{1}{px-x_1}$ and $s = \frac{1}{qx-x_2}$

or $t = \frac{1}{px_1-x}$ and $s = \frac{1}{qx_2-x}$

or $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(k^2-1)(p^2-k^2)(px-x_1)(px_1-x)}}$

and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(k^2-1)(q^2-k^2)(qx-x_2)(qx_2-x)}}.$

Note: $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{(q^2-1)(px-x_1)(px_1-x)}{(p^2-1)(qx-x_2)(qx_2-x)}.$

- Example 18: (α, β) -equation (Quispel 1983)

$$\begin{aligned} & ((p-\alpha)x - (p+\beta)x_1) ((p-\beta)x_2 - (p+\alpha)x_{12}) \\ & - ((q-\alpha)x - (q+\beta)x_2) ((q-\beta)x_1 - (q+\alpha)x_{12}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} (p-\alpha)(p-\beta)x + (k^2-p^2)x_1 & -(k-\alpha)(k-\beta)xx_1 \\ (k+\alpha)(k+\beta) & -((p+\alpha)(p+\beta)x_1 + (k^2-p^2)x) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} (q-\alpha)(q-\beta)x + (k^2-q^2)x_2 & -(k-\alpha)(k-\beta)xx_2 \\ (k+\alpha)(k+\beta) & -((q+\alpha)(q+\beta)x_2 + (k^2-q^2)x) \end{bmatrix}$$

- with $t = \frac{1}{(\alpha-p)x+(\beta+p)x_1}$ and $s = \frac{1}{(\alpha-q)x+(\beta+q)x_2}$

or $t = \frac{1}{(\beta-p)x+(\alpha+p)x_1}$ and $s = \frac{1}{(\beta-q)x+(\alpha+q)x_2}$

or $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(p^2-k^2)((\beta-p)x+(\alpha+p)x_1)((\alpha-p)x+(\beta+p)x_1)}}$

and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(q^2-k^2)((\beta-q)x+(\alpha+q)x_2)((\alpha-q)x+(\beta+q)x_2)}}$

Note: $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{((\beta-p)x+(\alpha+p)x_1)((\alpha-p)x+(\beta+p)x_1)}{((\beta-q)x+(\alpha+q)x_2)((\alpha-q)x+(\beta+q)x_2)}.$

- Example 19: (A1) Equation (ABS 2003)

$$p(x+x_2)(x_1+x_{12}) - q(x+x_1)(x_2+x_{12}) - \delta^2 pq(p-q) = 0$$

(Q1) if $x_1 \rightarrow -x_1$ and $x_2 \rightarrow -x_2$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} (k-p)x_1 + kx & -p(\delta^2 k(k-p) + xx_1) \\ p & -((k-p)x + kx_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} (k-q)x_2 + kx & -q(\delta^2 k(k-q) + xx_2) \\ q & -((k-q)x + kx_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

- with $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(k-p)((\delta p+x+x_1)(\delta p-x-x_1))}}$ and
 $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(k-q)((\delta q+x+x_2)(\delta q-x-x_2))}}$

Note: $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{q(\delta p+(x+x_1))(\delta p-(x+x_1))}{p(\delta q+(x+x_2))(\delta q-(x+x_2))}.$

Question: Rational choice for t and s ?

- Example 20: (A2) Equation (ABS 2003)

$$(q^2 - p^2)(xx_1x_2x_{12} + 1) + q(p^2 - 1)(xx_2 + x_1x_{12}) \\ - p(q^2 - 1)(xx_1 + x_2x_{12}) = 0$$

(Q3) with $\delta = 0$ via Möbius transformation:

$$x \rightarrow x, x_1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{x_1}, x_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{x_2}, x_{12} \rightarrow x_{12}, p \rightarrow p, q \rightarrow q$$

- Lax pair:

$$L = t \begin{bmatrix} k(p^2 - 1)x & - (p^2 - k^2 + p(k^2 - 1)xx_1) \\ p(k^2 - 1) + (p^2 - k^2)xx_1 & -k(p^2 - 1)x_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = s \begin{bmatrix} k(q^2 - 1)x & - (q^2 - k^2 + q(k^2 - 1)xx_2) \\ q(k^2 - 1) + (q^2 - k^2)xx_2 & -k(q^2 - 1)x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- with $t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(k^2-1)(k^2-p^2)(p-xx_1)(pxx_1-1)}}$

and $s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(k^2-1)(k^2-q^2)(q-xx_2)(qxx_2-1)}}$

Note: $\frac{t_2}{t} \frac{s}{s_1} = \frac{(q^2-1)(p-xx_1)(pxx_1-1)}{(p^2-1)(q-xx_2)(qxx_2-1)}.$

Question: Rational choice for t and s ?

- Example 21: Discrete sine-Gordon Equation

$$xx_1x_2x_{12} - pq(xx_{12} - x_1x_2) - 1 = 0$$

(H3) with $\delta = 0$ via extended Möbius transformation:

$$x \rightarrow x, x_1 \rightarrow x_1, x_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{x_2}, x_{12} \rightarrow -\frac{1}{x_{12}}, p \rightarrow \frac{1}{p}, q \rightarrow q$$

Discrete sine-Gordon equation is NOT consistent around the cube, but has a Lax pair!

- Lax pair:

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} p & -kx_1 \\ -\frac{k}{x} & \frac{px_1}{x} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{qx_2}{x} & -\frac{1}{kx} \\ -\frac{x_2}{k} & q \end{bmatrix}$$