

Gauge instantons in noncommutative space

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1. Introduction

Moyal space

The Moyal space \mathbb{R}^4 is a four-dimensional non-commutative space whose coordinate ring is non-commutative associative, endowed with the Moyal product

$$\begin{aligned}(f \star g)(x) &= \exp\left(\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \sum_{\mu, \nu=1}^4 \theta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu^{x'} \partial_\nu^{x''}\right) f(x') g(x'') \Big|_{x'=x''=x} \\ &= f(x) g(x) + \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \sum_{\mu\nu} \theta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu f(x) \partial_\nu g(x) + O(\theta^2),\end{aligned}$$

where $\partial_\mu^{x'} = \partial / \partial x'^\mu$ etc and $\theta^{\mu\nu}$ is a real anti-symmetric tensor of the form

$$(\theta^{\mu\nu}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\theta_1 & & \\ \theta_1 & 0 & & \\ & & 0 & -\theta_2 \\ & & \theta_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Non-commutativity is measured by $\theta^{\mu\nu}$ as seen from

$$[x^\mu, x^\nu]_\star \equiv x^\mu \star x^\nu - x^\nu \star x^\mu = \sqrt{-1} \theta^{\mu\nu}.$$

Non-commutative gauge instanton

Non-commutative gauge instanton A is a solution of Anti-Self-Dual (ASD) Yang-Mills equation on the Moyal space \mathbb{R}^4

$$*F = -F$$

where F is the curvature two-form

$$F = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu, \nu} F_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu \wedge dx^\nu,$$

$$F_{\mu\nu} \equiv \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu + A_\mu \star A_\nu - A_\nu \star A_\mu,$$

and the symbol $*$ means taking the Hodge star

$$(*F)_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\rho, \sigma} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F^{\rho\sigma} \quad (\epsilon_{1234} = 1)$$

ADHM construction

The Atiyah-Drinfeld-Hitchin-Manin (ADHM) construction is one of the most useful methods to generate all instanton solutions just by solving matrix equations.

It is based on a duality between an instanton moduli space specified by ASD Yang-Mills equation (PDE) and a moduli space specified by ADHM equation (matrix equation).

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2. Non-commutative ADHM construction

Let $V \equiv \mathbb{C}^k$ and $W \equiv \mathbb{C}^N$ ($k, N = 1, 2, \dots$).

Non-commutative ADHM data

Quadruple of matrices (B_1, B_2, I, J) , where

$$B_1, B_2 \in \text{End } V,$$

$$I \in \text{Hom}(W, V), \quad J \in \text{Hom}(V, W)$$

are called the non-commutative ADHM data when the matrices satisfy the non-commutative ADHM equations:

$$i) \quad [B_1, B_2] + IJ = \mathbf{0},$$

$$ii) \quad [B_1, B_1^\dagger] + [B_2, B_2^\dagger] + II^\dagger - J^\dagger J = \zeta \mathbf{1}_V,$$

where $\zeta \equiv -2(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$ is proportional to the self-dual component of $\theta^{\mu\nu}$. When $\zeta = 0$, the matrices are the standard ADHM data of $U(N)$ k -instanton on \mathbb{R}^4 .

In what follows, the condition $\zeta > 0$ is imposed.

Fock representation of the Moyal space

We associate complex coordinates $z_1 \equiv x^2 + \sqrt{-1}x^1$, $z_2 \equiv x^4 + \sqrt{-1}x^3$ with operators

$$\widehat{z}_i = \sqrt{-2\theta_i} \widehat{a}_i^\dagger, \quad \overline{\widehat{z}}_i = \widehat{z}_i^\dagger = \sqrt{-2\theta_i} \widehat{a}_i$$

where $\widehat{a}_i, \widehat{a}_i^\dagger$ ($i = 1, 2$) are annihilation and creation operators of harmonic oscillators with commutation relations $[\widehat{a}_i, \widehat{a}_j^\dagger] = \delta_{ij}$. These operators satisfy the same commutation relations as in the Lie algebra derived from the Moyal product:

$$[\widehat{z}_i, \widehat{z}_j] = -2\theta_i \delta_{ij}, \quad [\widehat{z}_i, \overline{\widehat{z}}_j] = [\overline{\widehat{z}}_i, \widehat{z}_j] = 0.$$

- We interpret $\widehat{z}_i, \overline{\widehat{z}}_i$ as endomorphisms over the Fock space \mathcal{F}

$$\mathcal{F} = \bigoplus_{m_1, m_2 \geq 0} \mathbb{C} (\widehat{a}_1^\dagger)^{m_1} |0\rangle^{(1)} \otimes (\widehat{a}_2^\dagger)^{m_2} |0\rangle^{(2)}$$

This yields an identification of the Moyal space \mathbb{R}^4 (plus the complex structure) with $\text{End}\mathcal{F}$. In particular, left- and right-multiplications of the Moyal product are converted respectively to the left- and right-multiplications on $\text{End}\mathcal{F}$.

Non-commutative ADHM complex

Let $\widehat{V} \equiv V \otimes \text{End}\mathcal{F}$ and $\widehat{W} \equiv W \otimes \text{End}\mathcal{F}$, where \mathcal{F} is the Fock space. For the non-commutative data (B_1, B_2, I, J) , we associate a chain of linear mappings as

$$\widehat{V} \xrightarrow{\widehat{\beta}} \begin{array}{c} \widehat{W} \\ \oplus \\ \widehat{V} \\ \oplus \\ \widehat{V} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\widehat{\alpha}} \widehat{V} \quad (1)$$

where linear operators $\widehat{\alpha}$ and $\widehat{\beta}$ are given by

$$\widehat{\alpha} = (I, \widehat{z}_2 - B_2, \widehat{z}_1 - B_1) \quad {}^t(\widehat{w}, \widehat{v}_1, \widehat{v}_2) \mapsto I\widehat{w} + (\widehat{z}_2 - B_2)\widehat{v}_1 + (\widehat{z}_1 - B_1)\widehat{v}_2,$$

$$\widehat{\beta} = {}^t(J, -(\widehat{z}_1 - B_1), \widehat{z}_2 - B_2) \quad \widehat{v} \mapsto {}^t(J\widehat{v}, -(\widehat{z}_1 - B_1)\widehat{v}, (\widehat{z}_2 - B_2)\widehat{v}).$$

- The ADHM equation $i)$ yields $\widehat{\alpha}\widehat{\beta} = \mathbf{0}$. Thus, the chain (1) is a complex.

Dirac operator

The preceding complex gives rise to the following Dirac operator:

$$\widehat{\nabla} \equiv (\widehat{\alpha}^\dagger, \widehat{\beta}) = \begin{pmatrix} I^\dagger & J \\ \widehat{z}_2 - B_2^\dagger & -(\widehat{z}_1 - B_1) \\ \widehat{z}_1 - B_1^\dagger & \widehat{z}_2 - B_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \widehat{V} \\ \oplus \\ \widehat{V} \end{matrix} \longrightarrow \begin{matrix} \widehat{W} \\ \oplus \\ \widehat{V} \\ \oplus \\ \widehat{V} \end{matrix} \quad (2)$$

The ADHM equation *ii)* yields $\widehat{\alpha}\widehat{\alpha}^\dagger = \widehat{\beta}^\dagger\widehat{\beta} := \widehat{\square}$. Together with the closedness $\widehat{\alpha}\widehat{\beta} = 0$, the Laplacian becomes a diagonal matrix of the form

$$\widehat{\nabla}^\dagger\widehat{\nabla} = \text{diag}(\widehat{\square}, \widehat{\square}) \quad \widehat{V} \oplus \widehat{V} \longrightarrow \widehat{V} \oplus \widehat{V}.$$

- When $\zeta \neq 0$, $\widehat{\square} \in \text{End}\widehat{V}$ is bijective for $\forall(B_1, B_2, I, J)$ and therefore invertible:

$$\exists \widehat{\square}^{-1} \in \text{End}\widehat{V}.$$

Solutions of the Dirac equation

- When $\zeta \neq 0$, $\text{Ker}\widehat{\nabla} = \emptyset$, $\text{Ker}\widehat{\nabla}^\dagger \simeq \bigoplus^N \text{End}\widehat{V}$ for $\forall(B_1, B_2, I, J)$.

On $\text{Ker}\widehat{\nabla}^\dagger \subset \widehat{W} \oplus \widehat{V} \oplus \widehat{V}$, $\text{End}\mathcal{F}$ acts freely by the right multiplication $\widehat{v} \mapsto \widehat{v}\widehat{\Omega}$, where $\widehat{\Omega} \in \text{GL}(N) \otimes \text{End}\mathcal{F}$. By taking a suitable $\widehat{\Omega}$, the following basis $\widehat{v}^{(1)}, \dots, \widehat{v}^{(N)}$ of $\text{Ker}\widehat{\nabla}^\dagger$ is chosen.

$$\widehat{\nabla}^\dagger \widehat{v}^{(a)} = 0, \quad \widehat{v}^{(a)\dagger} \widehat{v}^{(b)} = \delta^{ab} \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{F}} \quad (a, b = 1, \dots, N)$$

We introduce the matrix

$$\widehat{V} = \left(\widehat{v}^{(1)}, \dots, \widehat{v}^{(N)} \right)$$

The orthonormality of the basis implies

$$\widehat{V}^\dagger \widehat{V} = \text{id}$$

Non-commutative ADHM construction

The trivial connection on $\widehat{W} \oplus \widehat{V} \oplus \widehat{V}$ induces an $U(N)$ connection \widehat{A} on $\bigoplus^N \text{End}\mathcal{F}$. It is given by using the matrix \widehat{V} as

$$\widehat{A}_\mu = \widehat{V}^\dagger \hat{\partial}_\mu \cdot \widehat{V} \in \mathfrak{u}(N) \otimes \text{End}\mathcal{F}$$

where $\hat{\partial}_\mu$ ($\mu = 1, \dots, 4$) are differential operators of the form

$$\hat{\partial}_\mu \equiv -\sqrt{-1}\theta_{\mu\nu}^{-1}\hat{x}^\nu, \quad \hat{\partial}_\mu \cdot \widehat{V} \equiv [\hat{\partial}_\mu, \widehat{V}].$$

• The curvature $\widehat{F} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu,\nu} \widehat{F}_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu \wedge dx^\nu$, where $\widehat{F}_{\mu\nu} = \hat{\partial}_\mu \cdot \widehat{A}_\nu - \hat{\partial}_\nu \cdot \widehat{A}_\mu + [\widehat{A}_\mu, \widehat{A}_\nu]$ takes the form

$$\widehat{F} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^3 \widehat{C}_i \sqrt{-1} \epsilon_{ijk} (dx^j \wedge dx^k - *dx^j \wedge dx^k), \quad \widehat{C}_i = \widehat{V}^\dagger \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^i \otimes \widehat{\square}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \widehat{V}$$

where $\epsilon_{123} = 1$ and $\sigma^{i=1,2,3}$ denote Pauli's matrices. Clearly we see

$$*\widehat{F} = -\widehat{F}$$

3. Non-commutative topological charge

2nd Chern class

$$\hat{c}_2 \equiv \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \text{Tr}_{\mathbb{C}^N} \hat{F}_{\mu\nu} \hat{F}_{\rho\sigma} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \in \text{End } \mathcal{F}$$

where $\epsilon^{1234} = 1$.

CGOT formula

The ADHM construction yields $(32\pi)^{-1} \hat{F}_{\mu\nu} \hat{F}_{\rho\sigma} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = \pi^{-2} \sum_i \hat{C}_i^2$. By using the expression we obtain the formula:

$$\hat{c}_2 = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \text{Tr}_{\mathbb{C}^k} \hat{\partial}^2 \cdot \left\{ \hat{\partial}^\mu \cdot \left(\hat{\square} \hat{\partial}_\mu \cdot \hat{\square}^{-1} \right) \right\} \in \text{End } \mathcal{F}$$

where

$$\hat{\square} = \sum_i (\hat{z}_i - B_i)(\hat{z}_i - B_i^\dagger) + II^\dagger \quad \left(= \hat{\alpha} \hat{\alpha}^\dagger \right)$$

$$\hat{\partial}^2 \cdot \hat{\mathcal{O}} = \hat{\partial}^\mu \cdot (\hat{\partial}_\mu \cdot \hat{\mathcal{O}}), \quad \hat{\mathcal{O}} \in \text{End } \mathcal{F}$$

Topological charge

$$c_2 \equiv \langle \hat{c}_2 \rangle$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \hat{c}_2 \rangle &\equiv 4\pi\theta_1\theta_2 \lim_{L \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{m_1+m_2 \leq L} \langle m_1, m_2 | \hat{c}_2 | m_1, m_2 \rangle \\ &\left(= 4\pi\theta_1\theta_2 \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{F}} \hat{c}_2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

c_2 is computed by applying the CGOT formula together with using formulas for the partial diagonal sum of $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_{(m_1, m_2), (n_1, n_2)} \equiv \langle m_1, m_2 | \hat{\mathcal{O}} | n_1, n_2 \rangle$

- It turns out that c_2 takes the value

$$c_2 = k, \quad N = 1, 2, \dots .$$

4. Inverse construction

Let $N, k = 1, 2, \dots$ and specialize $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = -\zeta/4$.

Non-commutative ASD instanton

$$\widehat{A}_\mu \in u(N) \otimes \text{End}\mathcal{F}$$

$$1. \quad \widehat{F}_{\mu\nu}^{(+)} = \left(\widehat{\partial}_\mu \cdot \widehat{A}_\nu - \widehat{\partial}_\nu \cdot \widehat{A}_\mu + [\widehat{A}_\mu, \widehat{A}_\nu] \right)^{(+)} = 0$$

$$2. \quad c_2 = k$$

$$3. \quad \exists \widehat{g}_\infty \in \text{End}\mathcal{F}^N \text{ such that}$$

$$\bullet \quad \widehat{g}_\infty^\dagger \widehat{g}_\infty = 1_N$$

$$\bullet \quad \text{when } m_1 + m_2, n_1 + n_2 \geq L$$

$$\left(\widehat{A}_\mu - \widehat{g}_\infty \widehat{\partial}_\mu \cdot \widehat{g}_\infty^{-1} \right)_{(m_1, m_2), (n_1, n_2)} = O(L^{-\frac{3}{2}})$$

as $L \rightarrow +\infty$

Dirac equation

$$\widehat{\mathcal{D}}_A = \bar{e}^\mu (\widehat{\partial}_\mu \cdot + \widehat{A}_\mu) \quad \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_A = e^\mu (\widehat{\partial}_\mu \cdot + \widehat{A}_\mu)$$

where $\bar{e}^\mu = (\bar{e}^{\mu\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}})$, $e^\mu = (e^{\mu}_{\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}})$ are 4d 2×2 γ -matrices.

Assumption we assume $\text{Ker } \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_A \simeq \bigoplus^k \text{End } \mathcal{F}$ and $\text{Ker } \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_A \simeq \emptyset$

Basis of $\text{Ker } \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_A$: $\widehat{\psi}_1 = (\widehat{\psi}_{\alpha 1}^a)_{a=1, \dots, N}$, $\widehat{\psi}_2, \dots, \widehat{\psi}_k$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{D}}_A \cdot \widehat{\psi}_i = 0, \quad \langle \widehat{\psi}_i^\dagger \widehat{\psi}_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

Define the matrix

$$\widehat{\Psi} = \left(\widehat{\psi}_1, \dots, \widehat{\psi}_k \right)$$

It is also convenient to express the spinor index explicitly as

$$\widehat{\Psi} = \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{\Psi}_1 \\ \widehat{\Psi}_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \widehat{\Psi}_\alpha = \left(\widehat{\psi}_{\alpha 1}^a, \dots, \widehat{\psi}_{\alpha k}^a \right)_{a=1, \dots, N}$$

Asymptotics

Asymptotic condition on \widehat{A}_μ implies

- \exists constant matrix $\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega^1 \\ \Omega^2 \end{pmatrix}$, where $\Omega^{\dot{\alpha}} = \left(\Omega_i^{\dot{\alpha}a} \right)_{i=1, \dots, k; a=1, \dots, N}$, satisfying the condition that , for $m_1 + m_2, n_1 + n_2 \geq L$

$$\left(\widehat{\Psi} - \widehat{g}_\infty(\widehat{\Psi}_0 \otimes 1_N)\Omega \right)_{(m_1, m_2), (n_1, n_2)} = O(L^{-\frac{5}{2}})$$

as $L \rightarrow +\infty$.

$\widehat{\Psi}_0$ is a pair of solutions of the free Dirac equation $(\bar{e}^\mu \widehat{\partial}_\mu) \cdot \widehat{\Psi}_0 = 0$ and takes the form

$$\widehat{\Psi}_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\widehat{\square}_0 - \frac{\zeta}{2} \right)^{-1} \sum_\mu e_\mu \widehat{x}^\mu \left(\widehat{\square}_0 - \frac{\zeta}{2} \right)^{-1}$$

where $\widehat{\square}_0 = \sum_i \widehat{z}_i \widehat{z}_i = \sum_\mu (\widehat{x}^\mu)^2 + \frac{\zeta}{2}$.

Inverse construction

- Define

$$B_i \equiv \langle \hat{z}_i \hat{\Psi}^\dagger \hat{\Psi} \rangle \in \text{End } V,$$

$$I \equiv -\Omega^{2\dagger} \in \text{Hom}(W, V), \quad J \equiv \Omega^1 \in \text{Hom}(V, W)$$

$\implies (B_1, B_2, I, J)$ satisfies the non-commutative ADHM equations $i), ii)$.

- The inverse construction is actually the inverse of the ADHM construction of non-commutative instantons.