A hyperholomorphic line bundle on certain hyperkähler manifolds not admitting an S^1 -action



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Background

Hitchin [4] and Haydys [3] have shown that if a hyperkähler manifold M has an isometric S^1 -action satisfying

$$\mathcal{L}_{X}\omega_{I} = 0, \quad \mathcal{L}_{X}\omega_{J} = -\omega_{K}, \quad \mathcal{L}_{X}\omega_{K} = \omega_{J}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$d\alpha = 0, \quad d(J\alpha) = \omega_{J}, \quad d(K\alpha) = \omega_{K}, \tag{1}$$

where X is the vector field generating the action and $\alpha = i_X \omega_I$, then

$$\omega_I - d(I\alpha)$$

is of type (1,1) in each complex structure. Thus if (M,ω_I) is prequantizable, M admits a hyperholomorphic line bundle with the above 2-form as its curvature.

There is a one-to-one correspondence between hyperholomorphic line bundles on M and hyperholomorphic line bundles on the twistor space Z of M. If ω_I is not integral, we instead get a holomorphic Lie algebroid extension of \mathcal{T}_Z by \mathcal{O}_Z . Hitchin [4] gives Cěch cocycles for this Lie algebroid.

This line bundle makes an appearance in physics [9] in the case where M is the moduli space of Higgs bundles over a Riemann surface.

Generalization

In [6] we generalize this to

Theorem 1 [6]

Suppose M has a 1-form α satisfying

$$d\alpha = 0$$
, $d(J\alpha) = \omega_J + F_1$, $d(K\alpha) = \omega_K + F_2$, (2)

where F_1, F_2 are of type (1,1) in each complex structure. Then

$$\omega_I - d(I\alpha)$$

is of type (1,1) in each complex structure.

We use the differential form description since in the infinite dimensional setting X may not exist.

The proof uses the vanishing of the Nijenhuis tensor for each complex structure, and is very different from the proof in [4] in the case that $F_1 = 0 = F_2$ and X is Killing (i.e. $\nabla(I\alpha)$ is skew).

Holomorphic line bundle on twistor space

The twistor space $Z \to \mathbb{C}P^1$ has a meromorphic vertical symplectic (2,0) form

$$\omega = \frac{1}{i\zeta}(\omega_J + i\omega_K) + 2i\omega_I + \frac{1}{i}\zeta(\omega_J - i\omega_K).$$

and vector field $Y = X + i\zeta \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta}$.

The holomorphic Lie algebroid on Z is determined by

Cěch description

Following Hitchin, find singular (1,0)-forms $\phi_j \in \mathscr{A}^{1,0}(U_j)$ ($\{U_j\}$ a cover of Z) so that

• $d\phi_j = i_Y \left(\frac{d\zeta}{\zeta} \wedge \omega\right) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\zeta}F + \zeta\overline{F}}_{\text{type }(1,1)}$ (so $\bar{\partial}\phi_j \neq 0$, unlike in the case of an S^1 -action).

- $\phi_k \phi_j$ non-singular so gives a class in $H^1(d\mathcal{O}_Z)$, the group that classifies holomorphic Lie algebroid extensions of \mathcal{T}_Z by \mathcal{O}_Z .
- Chern class of the Lie algebroid is $2i\omega_I 2id(I\alpha) \in H^{1,1}(Z) \simeq H^1(\Omega_Z^1)$.

Hyperkähler reduction

Examples of hyperkähler manifolds with 1-forms satisfying (2) come from hyperkähler reduction. Suppose

- M is a hyperkähler manifold with a hamiltonian G-action with moment map $\mu_G: M \to \mathfrak{g}^* \otimes \mathbb{R}^3$.
- α is a G-basic 1-form satisfying (1).
- The automatically locally constant functions $J\alpha(Y^*)$, $K\alpha(Y^*)$ on $\mu_G^{-1}(0)$ are constant, where Y^* denotes the action vector field of $Y \in \mathfrak{g}$.
- $(J\alpha)_{\mathfrak{g}}, (K\alpha)_{\mathfrak{g}} \in \mathfrak{g}^*$ the corresponding linear functions on \mathfrak{g} .
- $\Omega \in \mathscr{A}^2(\mu_G^{-1}(0); \mathfrak{g})$ is the curvature of the canonical connection on the principal G-bundle $\mu_G^{-1}(0) \to M//G$.

Theorem 2: Reduction of eq. (1)

If $\hat{\alpha}$ denotes the induced 1-form on $M//G = \mu_G^{-1}(0)/G$ we have

$$d\hat{\alpha} = 0$$
, $d(J\hat{\alpha}) = \omega_J + (J\alpha)_{\mathfrak{g}} \circ \Omega$, $d(K\hat{\alpha}) = \omega_K + (K\alpha)_{\mathfrak{g}} \circ \Omega$.

 Ω is of type (1,1) in each complex structure [2] so $\hat{\alpha} \in \mathcal{A}^1(M//G)$ satisfies eq. (2).

Example 1: Moduli space of parabolic Higgs bundles [5, 8]

Fix:

- Closed Riemann surface Σ and a divisor $D = p_1 + \cdots + p_n$.
- Rank r vector bundle $E \to \Sigma$ with trivial determinant and hermitian metric singular at each puncture p_i .
- Flag at each puncture p_j with parabolic weights.
- Prescribed eigenvalues $\underline{\lambda} = \{\lambda_k^{(j)}, k = 1, \dots, r, j = 1, \dots, n\} \subset \mathbb{C}$ for residues of Higgs fields at the punctures.

The moduli space of parabolic Higgs fields is obtained by hyperkähler reduction of the infinite dimensional affine space

$$\mathcal{C} = \{ \text{singular } \mathfrak{su}(E) \text{-connections} \} \times \mathscr{A}_{\underline{\lambda}}^{1,0}(\operatorname{Par} \mathfrak{sl}(E)(D)).$$

by the action of the gauge group $\mathcal{G} = \mathscr{A}^0(\operatorname{Par} SU(E))$.

Have a 1-form α on \mathcal{C} defined by

$$\alpha_{(A,\theta)}(a,b) = -i \int_{\Sigma} \operatorname{tr}(\theta \wedge b^* + b \wedge \theta^*),$$

$$(a,b) \in \mathscr{A}^{0,1}(\Sigma; \mathfrak{sl}(E)) \times \mathscr{A}^{1,0}(\operatorname{SPar} \mathfrak{sl}(E)(D)) \simeq T_{(A,\theta)}\mathcal{C}.$$

If all $\lambda_k^{(j)} = 0$ or there are no punctures, α is the exterior derivative of the L^2 -norm on Higgs fields. In the general case though, the L^2 -norm does not converge but the integral defining α does.

 α is \mathcal{G} -basic and satisfies eq. (1) and

$$(J\alpha + iK\alpha)_{\mathrm{Lie}(\mathcal{G})}(Y) = -2\sum_{j=1}^{n} \mathrm{tr}(\mathrm{diag}(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \dots, \lambda_r^{(j)})Y_{p_j}), \quad Y \in \mathscr{A}^0(\mathrm{Par}\,\mathfrak{su}(E)).$$

Thus by theorem 2, it descends to a 1-form on the moduli space satisfying (2). Therefore the moduli space of parabolic Higgs bundles has a natural hyperholomorphic line bundle, generalizing the one on the moduli space of non-singular Higgs bundles (or singular ones with nilpotent residues).

Example 2: Moduli space of solutions to Nahm's equations [7, 1]

Fix:

- A compact Lie group G with Lie algebra ${\mathfrak g}$ and Ad-invariant inner product.
- $\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3 \in \mathfrak{g}$ such that the intersection of the centralizers is a Cartan subalgebra $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$. Define

$$\mathcal{A}_{\tau_1,\tau_2,\tau_3} = \{ T_0 + iT_1 + jT_2 + kT_3 : [0,\infty) \to \mathfrak{g} \otimes \mathbb{H} \mid {}_{T_i \to \tau_i, i=1,\cdots 3}^{T_0 \to 0,} \}$$

This is an infinite dimensional hyperkähler affine space modeled on $\mathcal{A}_{0,0,0}$. The group

$$\mathcal{G} = \{g : [0, \infty) \to G \mid g(0) = e, \lim_{s \to \infty} g(s) \in \exp \mathfrak{h}\}$$

acts with moment map given by Nahm's equations. If the τ_i are regular then the hyperkähler quotient is biholomorphic (in complex structure I) to the complex adjoint orbit of $\tau_2 + i\tau_3$.

The 1-form α on $\mathcal{A}_{\tau_1,\tau_2,\tau_3}$ defined by

$$\alpha_{(T_1,T_2,T_3,T_4)}(t_1,t_2,t_3,t_4) = -\int_0^\infty (\langle T_2(s),t_2(s)\rangle + \langle T_3(s),t_3(s)\rangle) ds,$$

$$(T_1,T_2,T_3,T_4) \in \mathcal{A}_{\tau_1,\tau_2,\tau_3}, \quad (t_1,t_2,t_3,t_4) \in \mathcal{A}_{0,0,0}.$$

is \mathcal{G} basic and satisfies eq. (1) and

$$(J\alpha)_{\mathrm{Lie}(\mathcal{G})}(Y) = -\langle \tau_2, Y(\infty) \rangle, \quad (K\alpha)_{\mathrm{Lie}(\mathcal{G})}(Y) = -\langle \tau_3, Y(\infty) \rangle.$$

Thus by theorem 2, it descends to a 1-form on the moduli space satisfying (2). Therefore the moduli space of solutions of Nahm's equations has a natural hyperholomorphic line bundle, generalizing the one on the cotangent bundle of the flag variety in the case of $\tau_2 = 0 = \tau_3$.

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