

INTRO TO SW (Reference: Hitchings-Taubes: An introduction to SW eqns on symplectic mflds (§2-3))

SW Eqns: on (A, Ψ) where A is a connection on a line bundle

$$D_A \Psi = 0$$

$$F_A^+ = g(\Psi) + i\mu$$

Ψ spinor, section of a complex C^2 ~~line~~ bundle.

$$\Psi \in \Gamma(S_+)$$

ON a 4-mfld

Spin^c-structures + associated bundles

For $n \geq 3$, $\pi_1(SO(n)) = \mathbb{Z}_2$

$Spin(n)$ = connected double cover of $SO(n)$.

$$Spin^c(n) = (Spin(n) \times U(1)) / \mathbb{Z}_2$$

A $Spin^c$ -structure on X

Given (X, g) , you can form F ^{on $SO(n)$ bundle} \xrightarrow{Fr} s.t. fiber $\cong F_x =$
Riemannian metric \downarrow X^n Isometries $(\mathbb{R}^n, T_x X)$

Now

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F \times Spin^c(n) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & F \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ Fr \times SO(n) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & Fr \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X & & \end{array}$$

THEOREM: X^4 oriented has a $Spin^c$ -structure & furthermore
it's an affine space modelled on $H^2(X; \mathbb{Z})$
i.e every $\alpha \in H^1(X; \mathbb{Z})$ gives a $Spin^c$ -structure.

Associated bundles:

Given a representation
 $\rho: G \rightarrow \text{Aut}(V)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G \rightarrow P & \Rightarrow & V \rightarrow P \times_{\rho} V \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \chi & & \chi \\ \text{principal } G \text{ bundle} & & \end{array}$$

Now we want to understand ~~rep~~ this when $G = \text{Spin}^{\pm}(4)$

• \mathbb{C}^2 bundles S_{\pm} from: $\text{Spin}^{\pm}(4) \xrightarrow{S_{\pm}} U(2)$
 (called the spinor bundles)

$$\begin{matrix} & \nearrow & \\ & S_{\pm} & \\ & \searrow & \\ & U(1) & \end{matrix}$$

• Line bundle L from:
 (called determinant line bundle $\det S_{\pm} \cong \Lambda^2 S_{\pm}$)
 $S_{\pm} \cong \text{SU}(2) \times \text{SU}(2)/\pm 1$

Proof: $\mathbb{R}^4 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$

$$(h_-, h_+) \in \text{SU}(2) \times \text{SU}(2)$$

$$(h_-, h_+) \cdot \chi = h_- \chi h_+^{-1}$$

$$\text{Spin}(4) = \text{SU}(2) \times \text{SU}(2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Spin}^{\pm}(4) = \text{SU}(2) \times \text{SU}(2) \times U(1)/\pm 1.$$

$$[h_-, h_+, \lambda]$$

$$K([h_-, h_+, \lambda]) = \lambda^2$$

$$U(2) = SU(2) \times U(1)/\pm 1$$

$$S_+([h_-, h_+, \lambda]) = [h_+, \lambda]$$

$$S_-([h_-, h_+, \lambda]) = [h_-, \lambda]$$

Clifford multiplication:

$$\text{A map } cl: T^*X \rightarrow \text{End}(S_+ \oplus S_-)$$

PROPERTIES

- $cl(v)$ interchanges S_+ & S_- for all v
- $cl(v)^2 = -|v|^2$
- $|v|=1 \Rightarrow cl(v)$ unitary.

CONSTRUCTION:

$$\boxed{\text{Hatched}} \quad d: T^*X \otimes S_+ \rightarrow S_-$$

$$\text{at a point } \mathbb{R}^4 \times \mathbb{C}^2 \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} a & -\bar{b} \\ b & \bar{a} \end{pmatrix} \psi \longleftrightarrow x\psi$$

$$[h_-, h_+, \lambda] \in \text{Spin}^{\mathbb{C}}(4)$$

$$h_- \times h_+^{-1} \cdot \lambda h_+ \psi = \lambda h_- \boxed{x} \times \psi.$$

$$T^*X \otimes S_- \rightarrow S_+$$

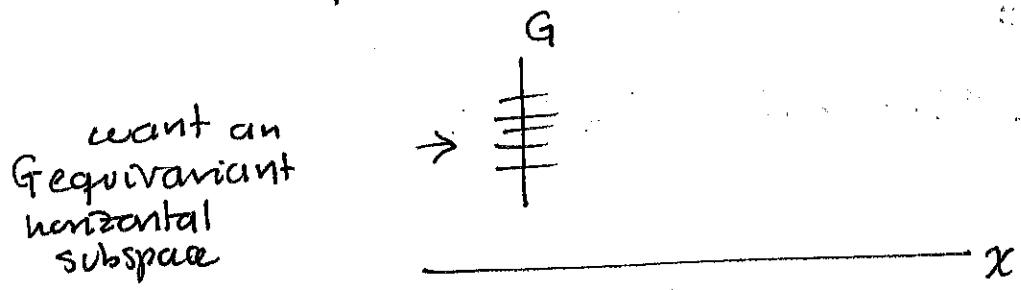
$$\text{instead } (x, \psi) \mapsto -\bar{x}^t \psi.$$

~~Given~~ Given spin $\mathbb{C}(4)$ structure

$$\begin{array}{c} \hat{F} \\ \downarrow \\ x \end{array}$$

we want a connection.

In the case of a principal G -bundle, a connection is
 $\text{Lie}(\text{Spin}^{\mathbb{C}}(4))$ -valued 1-form on \hat{F} satisfying
 some properties



" $\text{Lie}(\text{Spin}^{\mathbb{C}}(4))$ tells you how to travel horizontally".

$$\text{Lie}(\text{Spin}^{\mathbb{C}}(4)) = \text{Lie}(\text{SO}(4)) \oplus \text{Lie}(\text{U}(1))$$

\approx Levi-Civita lands in $\text{Lie}(\text{SO}(4))$ & a connection on L
 will land on $\text{Lie}(\text{U}(1))$.

connections as horizontal distributions or think of as

$$\nabla_A: C^\infty(E) \rightarrow C^\infty(T^*X \otimes E) \text{ on a v.b. } E$$

& its Levi-Civita if (be compatible w/ the metric & torsion free)

$$dg(X, Y) = g(\nabla_A X, Y) + g(X, \nabla_A Y).$$

monoid: 'partial derivatives commute'.

Given a ^{metric compatible} connection A on L

$$\text{set } D_A = C^\infty(S_\pm) \xrightarrow{\nabla_A} C^\infty(T^*X \otimes S_\pm) \xrightarrow{\text{ad}} C^\infty(S_\mp)$$

Given curvature
 $A \mapsto F_A \in C^\infty(i\Lambda^2 T^*X)$

a metric gives you hodge *

\rightsquigarrow can break up into eigenspaces $\Lambda^2 T^* X$

$$\Lambda^2 T^* X = \Lambda_+^2 T^* X \oplus \Lambda_-^2 T^* X.$$

F_A^+

can extend cliffford multiplication to

$$\Lambda^2 T^* X \rightarrow \text{End}(S_+)$$

$$v \wedge w \mapsto \frac{1}{2} [\text{cl}(v), \text{cl}(w)]$$

In particular,

$$\text{cl}_+: \Lambda_+^2 T^* X \otimes \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \text{End}(S_+)$$

$$g(\psi) = \text{cl}_+^*(\psi \otimes \psi^*) \stackrel{\text{dagger}}{\leftarrow} \text{from sw equa}$$

$$u \in C^\infty(\Lambda_+^2 T^* X).$$

$$\text{So } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D_A \psi = 0 \\ F_A^+ = g(\psi) + i u \end{array} \right\}$$

depends on metric g ,
spin C -structure ψ & u .

"splitting into $S_+ \oplus S_-$
& cliffford mult
= spin C -structure"

WHAT IS THE INVARIANT?

$$\text{Idea: } \mathcal{F}(A, \psi) = \left(\begin{array}{c} D_A \psi \\ F_A^+ - g(\psi) - i u \end{array} \right)$$

want to study $\{ \mathcal{F}(A, \psi) = 0 \} = M_{g, A, u}$

moduli space

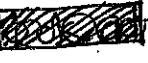
$\mathcal{M} = m/\mathbb{G}$ nice (wh) mfld \rightsquigarrow extract
homological
invariants

if $\dim(\mathcal{M}) \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ sees don't have invariants.

Gauge Group: $\mathbb{G} = C^\infty(X, S^1)$ given by:

$$v \cdot (A, \Psi) = (A - 2\pi v^{-1} dv, v\Psi).$$

this action is free except if $\Psi = 0$

($v=0$ reducible case) \Rightarrow  get S^1 -stabilizer

$$\mathcal{M} = m/\mathbb{G}$$

$$\mathcal{M}^\circ = m/\mathbb{G}^\circ = \{ \phi \in \mathbb{G} \mid \phi(k) = 1 \}$$

\mathbb{G}° might be smooth

\mathbb{G}° acting on m is always free.

THEOREM: Fix  f, g

(a) \mathcal{M} is compact

(b) For generic μ , \mathcal{M}° is a smooth finite dimensional manifold w/ a smooth S^1 action.

If  $b_{2,+} \geq 0 \Rightarrow$ for generic μ , M is also smooth and $\mathcal{M}^\circ \rightarrow M$ is a principal S^1 -bundle.

(c) For generic μ .

$2d := \dim \mathcal{M}$ = topological quantity (only involving $X, C_1(L)$)

= the thing that vanishes for a.c.s

$$2d = b_1 - 1 - b_{2,+} + \frac{1}{q} (c_1(L) \cdot c_1(L) - T) \\ b_{2,+} - b_{2,-}$$

(d) orientations on \mathcal{M} correspond to choosing vector space orientations on $H^0(X; \mathbb{R}) \oplus H^1 \oplus H^2_+$

(e) Generic path (g_t, μ_t) gives a smooth compact oriented cobordism on \mathcal{M}^0 . Same on \mathcal{M} if $b_{2,+} > 1$.

(b)-(e) std index / elliptic theory results
(once you realize that reducibles are codim $b_{2,+}$ in \mathcal{M} .)

$$F_A = q(\psi) + i\epsilon \quad \text{you have reducible solns when } q(\psi) = 0$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ \text{harmonic} = \text{harmonic} \\ \in H^2_+ \end{array} \right.$$

~~loop harmonic operators~~

~~SW~~

DEFN

$$SW_X: \text{Spin}^c(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

- 0 if $b_{2,+} - b_1$ is even

- 0 if $d < 0$

- $d=0 \Rightarrow SW_X(\mathfrak{z}) = \sum_m \pm 1$

- $d > 0 \Rightarrow SW_X(\mathfrak{z}) = \sum_m e^d \quad \blacksquare \quad e \in H^2(\mathcal{M}; \mathbb{Z})$

THM:

$b_{2,+} > 1 \Rightarrow SW_X$ diffeomorphism invariant.

SW_X is finitely supported, $SW_X \leftrightarrow SW_X \# \overline{\mathbb{CP}}^2$ contain the same information.
(nonzero for fin many)

$$X = Y \# Z \quad b_{2,+}(Y, Z) > 0$$

$$SW_X = 0$$

$$S \rightarrow T \quad SW(f) = \pm SW(\tilde{f})$$

Bochner-Wittenböck formula:

$$D_A^* D_A = \nabla_A^* \nabla_A + \frac{S}{4} + \frac{1}{2} cl(F_A)$$

S = scalar curvature

Lemma: If $\mathcal{F}(A, \psi) = 0 \quad \psi \neq 0$

$$|\psi|^2 \leq \max_x \left(-\frac{S}{2} + 2|u| \right)$$

'for positive scalar curvature you don't get SW_E invariance'

~~cosmo~~

~~CP^2~~ \Rightarrow the only 4-dim symplectic mfld
with positive scalar curvature ~~which has $d = 0$~~
~~comes a thm by Taubes~~

canonical
Spin c -structure on symplectic mfld

$S^\pm: w_0, w_{0,2}$

$D \pm \text{const} = \boxed{\partial + \bar{\partial}^*}$

which has $d = 0$