

Some Physically-Interesting, Soliton-type pde's
and characteristics for symmetries for some of them

1. The KdV equation

for 1-dimensional, unidirectional water waves in a shallow channel,

$$u_{xxx} + u u_x = u_t$$

2. The sine-Gordon equation

for self-induced transparency in nonlinear optical materials,

$$u_{xx} - u_{tt} = \sin u$$

3. The non-linear Schrödinger equation

for plasma interactions, and many sorts of quantum feedback loops

$$\Psi_{xx} + g|\Psi|^2\Psi = i\Psi_t$$

Note: This is a system of 2 equations, since Ψ is complex-valued.

4. The modified KdV equation

weakly non-linear lattices

$$u_{xxx} + u^2 u_x = u_t$$

5. The Liouville equation

Interesting problems in statistical mechanics, and conformal field theory

$$u_{xy} = e^{-2u}$$

6. The Tzitzeca-Dodd-Bullough equation

problems varying from fluid flow to quantum field theory

$$u_{xy} = e^{-u} + e^{-2u}$$

7. The classical Heisenberg ferromagnet equation

$$\vec{S}_t = \vec{S} \times \vec{S}_{xx}$$

8. An equation from ϕ^4 field theory

$$\phi_{xt} = \phi(1 - |\phi_t|^2)^{1/2}$$

9. The Boussinesq equation

for 2-directional, 1-dimensional water flow in channels

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} - 3(u^2)_{xx} - u_{xxxx}$$

10. The Kadomtsev-Petviashvili (KP) equation [for 2-dimensional water flow]

$$(u_t + u u_x + u_{xxx})_x + u_{yy} = 0$$

11. A higher-order KdV equation

$$u_{xxxxx} + 15(u_x u_{xx} + u u_{xxx}) + 45u^2 u_x = u_t$$

12. (2-dimensional) Toda-lattice equations

for lattice structures, and conformal quantum field theory

$$u_{xy}^i = e^{A^i_j u^j}, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

for certain classes of matrices whose elements are integers

13. SDiff(2)Toda equation

for general relativity, and Toda field theory

$$u_{xy} = \partial_s^2 e^u$$

14. supersymmetric, infinite-growth, 2-dimensional, conformal Toda field theories:

$$u_{xy} = \partial_s e^u$$

Characteristics for Symmetries for various Non-linear pde's

Burgers' Equation: $u_{xx} + uu_x - u_t = 0$

$$\Psi^0_1 = z_x ,$$

$$\Psi^1_1 = t z_x + 1 ,$$

$$\Psi^0_2 = z_{xx} + z z_x ,$$

$$\Psi^1_2 = t(z_{xx} + z z_x) + (\hat{x}z_x + z) ,$$

$$\Psi^2_2 = t^2(z_{xx} + z z_x) + txz_x + tz + x ,$$

$$\Psi^0_3 = z_{xxx} + \frac{3}{2}z z_{xx} + \frac{3}{2}(z_x)^2 + \frac{3}{4}z^2 z_x ,$$

$$\Psi^1_3 = tz_{xxx} + (\hat{3}tz + x)z_{xx} + (\hat{\frac{3}{2}}tz^2 + xz)z_x + \frac{3}{2}t(z_x)^2 + \frac{1}{4}z^2 ,$$

$$\Psi^2_3 = t^2z_{xxx} + \hat{t}(3tz + 2x)z_{xx} + \frac{3}{2}t^2(z_x)^2 + (\hat{\frac{3}{2}}t^2z^2 + 2txz + \hat{x}z^2)z_x + \hat{t}z^2 + \hat{x}z - \frac{3}{2} ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^3_3 = t^3z_{xxx} + \frac{3}{2}t^2(tz + x)z_{xx} + \frac{3}{2}t^3(z_x)^2 + (\hat{\frac{3}{2}}t^3z^2 + 3t^2xz + 6t^2 + \frac{3}{2}tx^2)z_x \\ + \frac{3}{4}t^2z^2 + \frac{3}{2}txz + \frac{3}{4}(x^2 + 2t) , \end{aligned}$$

$$\Psi^0_4 = z_{(4)} + 2zz_{xxx} + 5z_xz_{xx} + \frac{3}{2}z^2z_{xx} + 3z(z_x)^2 + \hat{z}^3z_x ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^0_5 = z_{(5)} + \frac{5}{2}zz_{(4)} + \frac{15}{2}z_xz_{xxx} + 5(z_{xx})^2 + \frac{5}{2}z^2z_{xxx} + \frac{25}{2}zz_xz_{xx} \\ + \frac{15}{4}(z_x)^3 + \frac{5}{4}z^3z_{xx} + \frac{15}{4}(zz_x)^2 + \frac{5}{16}z^4z_x . \end{aligned}$$

General Forms for Burgers' Equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^j_k = t^j z_{(k)} + (\hat{k}t^j z + jt^{j-1}x)z_{(k-1)} + \frac{1}{4}\{k(k+1)t^j z_x + \hat{k}(k-1)t^j z^2 \\ + j(k-1)t^{j-1}xz + \hat{j}(j-1)t^{j-2}x^2\}z_{k-2} + O(z_{k-3}) , \end{aligned}$$

$$k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad ; \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, k ,$$

$$\{\Psi^i_k, \Psi^j_\ell\} = (\hat{\ell}i - kj)\Psi^{i+j-1}_{k+\ell-2} ,$$

$$\text{except that } \{\Psi^0_1, \Psi^1_1\} = 0 ,$$

Recursion Operator:

$$D_x + \hat{z} + \frac{1}{2}z_x(D_x)^{-1} .$$

KdV Equation: $u_{xxx} + uu_x - u_t = 0$

$$\Psi^0_0 = z_x ,$$

$$\Psi^1_0 = t z_x + 1 ,$$

$$\Psi^0_1 = z_{xxx} + z z_x ,$$

$$\Psi^1_1 = 3t(z_{xxx} + z z_x) + x z_x + 2z ,$$

$$\Psi^0_2 = z_{(5)} + \frac{5}{3} z z_{xxx} + \frac{10}{3} z_x z_{xx} + \frac{5}{6} z^2 z_x ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^0_3 = z_{(7)} + \frac{7}{3} z z_{(5)} + 7 z_x z_{xxxx} + \frac{35}{3} z_{xx} z_{xxx} + \frac{35}{18} z^2 z_{xxx} \\ + \frac{70}{9} z z_x z_{xx} + \frac{35}{18} (z_x)^3 + \frac{35}{54} z^3 z_x , \end{aligned}$$

General Forms for the KdV Equation:

$$\Psi^j_\ell = t^j z_{(2\ell+1)} + \frac{1}{3} [(2\ell+1)t^j z + j t^{j-1} x + \alpha(t)] z_{(2\ell-1)} + O(z_{(2\ell-2)}) \quad ,$$

$$\ell = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad ; \quad j = 0, 1 ,$$

$$\{\Psi^j_m, \Psi^k_n\} = \frac{1}{3} [(2m+1)k - (2n+1)j] \Psi^{j+k-1}_{m+n-1}$$

$$\text{except that } \{\Psi^i_0, \Psi^j_0\} = 0 .$$

Recursion Operator:

$$(D_x)^2 + \frac{2}{3} z + \frac{1}{3} z_x (D_x)^{-1} \quad .$$

sine-Gordon equation: $u_{xy} - \sin u = 0$

Appropriate coordinates on the jet are $\{x, y, z, z_x, z_y, z_{xx}, z_{yy}, z_{xxx}, z_{yyy}, \dots\}$.

$$\Psi_{(0,1)} = z_y ,$$

$$\Psi_{(1,0)} = z_x ,$$

$$\Psi_{(1,1)} = x z_x - y z_y ,$$

$$\Psi_{(3,0)} = z_{xxx} + \hat{(z_x)}^3$$

$$\Psi_{(0,3)} = z_{yyy} + \hat{(z_y)}^3$$

$$\Psi_{(5,0)} = z_{xxxxx} + \frac{5}{2} [(z_x)^2 z_{xxx} + z_x (z_{xx})^2] + \frac{3}{8} (z_x)^5 ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{(7,0)} = z_{xxxxxx} + \frac{7}{2} (z_x)^2 z_{xxxxx} + 14 z_x z_{xx} z_{xxxx} + \frac{21}{2} z_x (z_{xxx})^2 + \frac{35}{2} (z_{xx})^2 z_{xxx} \\ + \frac{35}{8} (z_x)^4 z_{xxx} + \frac{35}{4} (z_x)^3 (z_{xx})^2 + \frac{5}{16} (z_x)^7 . \end{aligned}$$

the non-linear Schrödinger equation: $u_{xx} + \bar{u}uu + iu_t = 0$ and complex-conjugate equation
Appropriate coordinates on the jet are $\{x, t, z, \bar{z}, z_x, \bar{z}_x, z_{xx}, \bar{z}_{xx} \dots\}$.

$$\Psi^0_1 = z_x ,$$

$$\Psi^0_2 = z_t \equiv i(z_{xx} + \bar{z}zz) ,$$

$$\Psi^1_1 = 2tz_x - ixz ,$$

$$\Psi^1_2 = 2it(z_{xx} + \bar{z}zz) + xz_x ,$$

$$\Psi^0_3 = z_{xxx} + 3\bar{z}zzz_x$$

$$\Psi^0_4 = z_{xxxx} + 4\bar{z}zzz_{xx} + 3\bar{z}(z_x)^2 + 2z\bar{z}_x z_x + z^2\bar{z}_{xx} + \frac{3}{2}z^3\bar{z}^2 .$$

the modified KdV (or MKdV) equation: $u_{xxx} + u^2u_x - u_t = 0$

$$\Psi^0_0 = z_x$$

$$\Psi^0_1 = z_{xxx} + z^2z_x ,$$

$$\Psi^1_1 = 3t(z_{xxx} + z^2z_x) + xz_x + z ,$$

$$\Psi^0_2 = z_{(5)} + \frac{5}{3}z^2z_{xxx} + \frac{20}{3}z z_x z_{xx} + \frac{5}{3}(z_x)^3 + \frac{5}{6}z^4z_x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^0_3 = z_{(7)} + \frac{7}{3}z^2z_{(5)} + 14z z_x z_{xxxx} + 21(z_x)^2z_{xxx} + \frac{70}{3}z z_{xx} z_{xxx} + \frac{35}{18}z^4z_{xxx} \\ + \frac{91}{3}z_x(z_{xx})^2 + \frac{140}{9}z^3z_x z_{xx} + \frac{35}{3}z^2(z_x)^3 + \frac{35}{54}z^6z_x , \end{aligned}$$

Recursion Operator:

$$(D_x)^2 + \frac{2}{3}z^2 + \frac{2}{3}z_x(D_x)^{-1} \quad .$$