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**SYMBOLIC SOFTWARE
FOR
SOLITON THEORY**

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Symbolic Software Packages for Soliton Theory

- Painlevé Integrability Test of ODEs and PDEs
 - Painlevé Test for 3rd order equations by Hajee (Reduce, 1982)
 - ODE_Painlevé by Winternitz and Rand (Macsyma, 1986)
 - PDE_Painlevé by Hereman and Van de Bulck (Macsyma, 1987)
 - Painlevé program (parts) by Hlavatý (Reduce, 1986)
- Construction of Explicit Solitary Wave and Soliton Solutions
 - Solitary wave solutions by Hereman (Macsyma, 1990)
 - Solitons via Hirota's method by Hereman and Zhuang (Macsyma, 1990)

- Calculation of Lie-point and Generalized Symmetries
 - SPDE by Schwarz (Reduce, Scratchpad, 1986)
 - Symmetries via exterior differential forms by Kersten and Gragert (Reduce, 1987)
 - Lie-Bäcklund symmetries by Fedorova, Korniyak and Fushchich (Reduce, 1987)
 - Lie-point symmetries by Schwarzmeier and Rosenau (Macysma, 1988)
 - Special symmetries by Mikhailov (Pascal, 1988)
 - LIE by Head (muMath, 1990)
 - PDELIE by Vafeades (Macysma, 1990)
 - DEliA by Bocharov (Pascal, 1990)
 - SYM_DE by Steinberg (Macysma, 1990)
 - SYMCAL by Reid (Macysma, 1990)
 - SYMMGRP.MAX by Champagne, Hereman and Winternitz (1990)

Classes of Bilinear Equations

Major types of bilinear representations with examples:

Type I: Korteweg-de Vries equation

$$P(D_x, D_t)(f \cdot f) \stackrel{ex.}{=} (D_x D_t + D_x^4)(f \cdot f) = 0$$

Type II: modified Korteweg-de Vries equation

$$\begin{aligned} P_1(D_x, D_t)(f \cdot g) &\stackrel{ex.}{=} (D_t + D_x^3)(f \cdot g) = 0, \\ P_2(D_x, D_t)(f \cdot g) &\stackrel{ex.}{=} D_x^2(f \cdot g) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Type III: sine-Gordon equation

$$\begin{aligned} P_1(D_x, D_t)(g \cdot f) &\stackrel{ex.}{=} (D_x D_t - 1)(g \cdot f) = 0, \\ P_2(D_x, D_t)(f \cdot f - g \cdot g) &\stackrel{ex.}{=} D_x D_t(f \cdot f - g \cdot g) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Type IV: Nonlinear Schrödinger equation

$$\begin{aligned} P_1(D_x, D_t)(g \cdot f) &\stackrel{ex.}{=} (D_x^2 + iD_t)(g \cdot f) = 0, \\ P_2(D_x, D_t)(f \cdot f) - P_3(D_x, D_t)(g \cdot g^*) &\stackrel{ex.}{=} D_x^2(f \cdot f) - gg^* = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Type V: Benjamin-Ono equation

$$P(D_x, D_t)(f \cdot f^*) \stackrel{ex.}{=} (D_x^2 + iD_t)(f \cdot f^*) = 0$$

For equations of Type II, the three-soliton solution follows from

$$\begin{aligned} f &= 1 + i \exp \theta_1 + i \exp \theta_2 + i \exp \theta_3 \\ &\quad - a_{12} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - a_{13} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_3) - a_{23} \exp(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ &\quad - ib_{123} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3), \\ g &= 1 - i \exp \theta_1 - i \exp \theta_2 - i \exp \theta_3 \\ &\quad - a_{12} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2) - a_{13} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_3) - a_{23} \exp(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ &\quad + ib_{123} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3). \end{aligned}$$

For equations of Types I, III through V other forms for f and g are needed

Example 1 - Macsymba

Soliton Solutions of Nonlinear PDEs

- Hirota's Direct Method
 - allows to construct exact soliton solutions of
 - nonlinear evolution equations
 - wave equations
 - coupled systems
- Test conditions for existence of soliton solutions
- Examples:

- Korteweg-de Vries equation (KdV)

$$u_t + 6uu_x + u_{3x} = 0$$

- Kadomtsev-Petviashvili equation (KP)

$$(u_t + 6uu_x + u_{3x})_x + 3u_{2y} = 0$$

- Sawada-Kotera equation (SK)

$$u_t + 45u^2u_x + 15u_xu_{2x} + 15uu_{3x} + u_{5x} = 0$$

Hirota's Method

Korteweg-de Vries equation

$$u_t + 6uu_x + u_{3x} = 0$$

Substitute

$$u(x, t) = 2 \frac{\partial^2 \ln f(x, t)}{\partial x^2}$$

Integrate with respect to x

$$f f_{xt} - f_x f_t + f f_{4x} - 4f_x f_{3x} + 3f_{2x}^2 = 0$$

Bilinear form

$$B(f \cdot f) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (D_x D_t + D_x^4) (f \cdot f) = 0$$

Introduce the bilinear operator

$$D_x^m D_t^n (f \cdot g) = (\partial x - \partial x')^m (\partial t - \partial t')^n f(x, t) g(x', t')|_{x'=x, t'=t}$$

Use the expansion

$$f = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \epsilon^n f_n$$

Substitute f into the bilinear equation

Collect powers in ϵ (book keeping parameter)

$$O(\epsilon^0) : B(1 \cdot 1) = 0$$

$$O(\epsilon^1) : B(1 \cdot f_1 + f_1 \cdot 1) = 0$$

$$O(\epsilon^2) : B(1 \cdot f_2 + f_1 \cdot f_1 + f_2 \cdot 1) = 0$$

$$O(\epsilon^3) : B(1 \cdot f_3 + f_1 \cdot f_2 + f_2 \cdot f_1 + f_3 \cdot 1) = 0$$

$$O(\epsilon^4) : B(1 \cdot f_4 + f_1 \cdot f_3 + f_2 \cdot f_2 + f_3 \cdot f_1 + f_4 \cdot 1) = 0$$

$$O(\epsilon^n) : B\left(\sum_{j=0}^n f_j \cdot f_{n-j}\right) = 0 \quad \text{with } f_0 = 1$$

If the original PDE admits a N-soliton solution then the expansion will truncate at level $n = N$ provided

$$f_1 = \sum_{i=1}^N \exp(\theta_i) = \sum_{i=1}^N \exp(k_i x - \omega_i t + \delta_i)$$

k_i, ω_i and δ_i are constants

Dispersion law

$$\omega_i = k_i^3 \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, N)$$

Consider the case $N=3$

Terms generated by $B(f_1, f_1)$ justify

$$\begin{aligned} f_2 &= a_{12} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + a_{13} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_3) + a_{23} \exp(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ &= a_{12} \exp[(k_1 + k_2)x - (\omega_1 + \omega_2)t + (\delta_1 + \delta_2)] \\ &\quad + a_{13} \exp[(k_1 + k_3)x - (\omega_1 + \omega_3)t + (\delta_1 + \delta_3)] \\ &\quad + a_{23} \exp[(k_2 + k_3)x - (\omega_2 + \omega_3)t + (\delta_2 + \delta_3)] \end{aligned}$$

Calculate the constants a_{12}, a_{13} and a_{23}

$$a_{ij} = \frac{(k_i - k_j)^2}{(k_i + k_j)^2} \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3$$

$B(f_1 \cdot f_2 + f_2 \cdot f_1)$ motivates

$$\begin{aligned} f_3 &= b_{123} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ &= b_{123} \exp[(k_1 + k_2 + k_3)x - (\omega_1 + \omega_2 + \omega_3)t + (\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3)] \end{aligned}$$

with

$$b_{123} = a_{12} a_{13} a_{23} = \frac{(k_1 - k_2)^2 (k_1 - k_3)^2 (k_2 - k_3)^2}{(k_1 + k_2)^2 (k_1 + k_3)^2 (k_2 + k_3)^2}$$

Subsequently, $f_i = 0$ for $i > 3$

Set $\epsilon = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= 1 + \exp \theta_1 + \exp \theta_2 + \exp \theta_3 \\ &+ a_{12} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + a_{13} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_3) + a_{23} \exp(\theta_2 + \theta_3) \\ &+ b_{123} \exp(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3) \end{aligned}$$

Return to the original $u(x, t)$

$$u(x, t) = 2 \frac{\partial^2 \ln f(x, t)}{\partial x^2}$$

Example 2 - Macsymba Solitary Wave Solutions

- Korteweg-de Vries equation and generalizations

$$u_t + au^n u_x + u_{xxx} = 0, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$u(x, t) = \left\{ \frac{c(n+1)(n+2)}{2a} \operatorname{sech}^2 \left[\frac{n}{2} \sqrt{c}(x - ct) + \delta \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

- Burgers equation

$$u_t + auu_x - u_{xx} = 0$$

$$u(x, t) = \frac{c}{a} \left\{ 1 - \tanh \left[\frac{c}{2}(x - ct) + \delta \right] \right\}$$

- Fisher equation and generalizations

$$u_t - u_{xx} - u(1 - u^n) = 0, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$u(x, t) = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \tanh \left[\frac{n}{2\sqrt{2n+4}} \left(x - \frac{(n+4)}{\sqrt{2n+4}} t \right) + \delta \right] \right] \right\}^{\frac{2}{n}}$$

- Fitzhugh-Nagumo equation

$$u_t - u_{xx} + u(1 - u)(a - u) = 0$$

$$u(x, t) = \frac{a}{2} \left\{ 1 + \tanh \left[\frac{a}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(x - \frac{(2 - a)}{\sqrt{2}} t \right) + \delta \right] \right\}$$

- Kuramoto-Sivashinski equation

$$u_t + uu_x + au_{xx} + bu_{xxxx} = 0$$

$$u(x, t) = c + \frac{165ak}{19} \left\{ \tanh^3 \left[\frac{k(x - ct)}{2} + \delta \right] \right\} \\ - \frac{135ak}{19} \left\{ \tanh \left[\frac{k(x - ct)}{2} + \delta \right] \right\}$$

with $k = \sqrt{\frac{11a}{19b}}$

$$u(x, t) = c - \frac{15ak}{19} \left\{ \tanh^3 \left[\frac{k(x - ct)}{2} + \delta \right] \right\} \\ + \frac{45ak}{19} \left\{ \tanh \left[\frac{k(x - ct)}{2} + \delta \right] \right\}$$

with $k = \sqrt{\frac{-a}{19b}}$

- Harry Dym equation

$$u_t + (1 - u)^3 u_{xxx} = 0$$

$$u(x, t) = \operatorname{sech}^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{c} [x - ct + \delta(x, t)] \right]$$
$$\delta(x, t) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{c}} \tanh \left[\frac{\sqrt{c}}{2} [x - ct + \delta(x, t)] \right]$$

- sine-Gordon equation

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} - \sin u = 0$$

$$u(x, t) = 4 \arctan \left\{ \exp \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{-c}} (x - ct) + \delta \right] \right\}$$

- Coupled Korteweg-de Vries equations

$$u_t - a(6uu_x + u_{xxx}) - 2b vv_x = 0,$$

$$v_t + 3uv_x + v_{xxx} = 0$$

$$u(x, t) = 2c \operatorname{sech}^2 [\sqrt{c}(x - ct) + \delta],$$

$$v(x, t) = \pm c \sqrt{\frac{-2(4a + 1)}{b}} \operatorname{sech} [\sqrt{c}(x - ct) + \delta],$$

$$u(x, t) = c \operatorname{sech}^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{c}(x - ct) + \delta \right]$$

$$v(x, t) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{6|b|}} u(x, t) = \frac{3c}{\sqrt{6|b|}} \operatorname{sech}^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{c}(x - ct) + \delta \right]$$

- A class of generalized KdV equations

$$u_t + (a + bu^m)u^m u_x + u_{3x} = 0$$

with $a, b \in \mathbb{R}; m \in \mathbb{Q}$

– CASE 1: $a \neq 0, b = 0$:

$$u(x, t) = \left\{ \frac{c(m+2)(m+1)}{2a} \operatorname{sech}^2 \left[\frac{m}{2} \sqrt{c} (x - ct) + \frac{\Delta}{2} \right] \right\}^{\frac{1}{m}}$$

with arbitrary velocity c

– CASE 2: $b \neq 0$:

$$u(x, t) = \left\{ \frac{-a(2m+1)}{2b(m+2)} \left(1 - \tanh \left[\frac{m}{2} \sqrt{c} (x - ct) + \frac{\Delta}{2} \right] \right) \right\}^{\frac{1}{m}}$$

$$\text{with } c = -\frac{a^2(2m+1)}{b(m+1)(m+2)^2}$$

Example 4 - Macsyma Lie-point Symmetries

- System of m differential equations of order k

$$\Delta^i(x, u^{(k)}) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

with p independent and q dependent variables

$$\begin{aligned}x &= (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) \in \mathbb{R}^p \\u &= (u^1, u^2, \dots, u^q) \in \mathbb{R}^q\end{aligned}$$

- The group transformations have the form

$$\tilde{x} = \Lambda_{group}(x, u), \quad \tilde{u} = \Omega_{group}(x, u)$$

where the functions Λ_{group} and Ω_{group} are to be determined

- Look for the Lie algebra \mathcal{L} realized by the vector field

$$\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^p \eta^i(x, u) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{l=1}^q \varphi_l(x, u) \frac{\partial}{\partial u^l}$$

Procedure for finding the coefficients

- Construct the k^{th} prolongation $\text{pr}^{(k)}\alpha$ of the vector field α
- Apply it to the system of equations
- Request that the resulting expression vanishes on the solution set of the given system

$$\text{pr}^{(k)}\alpha\Delta^i \Big|_{\Delta^j=0} \quad i, j = 1, \dots, m$$

- This results in a system of linear homogeneous PDEs for η^i and φ_l , with independent variables x and u (*determining equations*)
- Procedure thus consists of two major steps:

deriving the determining equations

solving the determining equations

Procedure for Computing the Determining Equations

- Use multi-index notation $J = (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_p) \in \mathbb{N}^p$, to denote partial derivatives of u^l

$$u_J^l \equiv \frac{\partial^{|J|} u^l}{\partial x_1^{j_1} \partial x_2^{j_2} \dots \partial x_p^{j_p}},$$

where $|J| = j_1 + j_2 + \dots + j_p$

- $u^{(k)}$ denotes a vector whose components are all the partial derivatives of order 0 up to k of all the u^l

- Steps:

(1) Construct the k^{th} prolongation of the vector field

$$\text{pr}^{(k)} \alpha = \alpha + \sum_{l=1}^q \sum_J \psi_l^J(x, u^{(k)}) \frac{\partial}{\partial u_J^l}, \quad 1 \leq |J| \leq k$$

The coefficients ψ_l^J of the first prolongation are:

$$\psi_l^{J_i} = D_i \varphi_l(x, u) - \sum_{j=1}^p u_{J_j}^l D_i \eta^j(x, u),$$

where J_i is a p -tuple with 1 on the i^{th} position and zeros elsewhere

D_i is the total derivative operator

$$D_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{l=1}^q \sum_J u_{J+J_i}^l \frac{\partial}{\partial u_J^l}, \quad 0 \leq |J| \leq k$$

Higher order prolongations are defined recursively:

$$\psi_l^{J+J_i} = D_i \psi_l^J - \sum_{j=1}^p u_{J+J_j}^l D_i \eta^j(x, u), \quad |J| \geq 1$$

(2) Apply the prolonged operator $\text{pr}^{(k)}\alpha$ to each equation $\Delta^i(x, u^{(k)}) = 0$

Require that $\text{pr}^{(k)}\alpha$ vanishes on the solution set of the system

$$\text{pr}^{(k)}\alpha \Delta^i |_{\Delta^j=0} = 0 \quad i, j = 1, \dots, m$$

(3) Choose m components of the vector $u^{(k)}$, say v^1, \dots, v^m , such that:

(a) Each v^i is equal to a derivative of a u^l ($l = 1, \dots, q$) with respect to at least one variable x_i ($i = 1, \dots, p$).

(b) None of the v^i is the derivative of another one in the set.

(c) The system can be solved algebraically for the v^i in terms of the remaining components of $u^{(k)}$, which we de-

noted by w :

$$v^i = S^i(x, w), \quad i = 1, \dots, m.$$

(d) The derivatives of v^i ,

$$v_J^i = D_J S^i(x, w),$$

where $D_J \equiv D_1^{j_1} D_2^{j_2} \dots D_p^{j_p}$, can all be expressed in terms of the components of w and their derivatives, without ever reintroducing the v^i or their derivatives.

For instance, for a system of evolution equations

$$u_t^i(x_1, \dots, x_{p-1}, t) = F^i(x_1, \dots, x_{p-1}, t, u^{(k)}), \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$$

where $u^{(k)}$ involves derivatives with respect to the variables x_i but not t , choose $v^i = u_t^i$.

(4) Eliminate all v^i and their derivatives from the expression prolonged vector field, so that all the remaining variables are independent

(5) Obtain the determining equations for $\eta^i(x, u)$ and $\varphi_l(x, u)$ by equating to zero the coefficients of the remaining independent derivatives u_J^l .