

Noncommutative Solitons and Integrable Systems

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Based on

- ❖ **MH**, JMP46 (2005) 052701 [hep-th/0311206]
- ❖ **MH**, PLB625 (2005) 324 [hep-th/0507112]
- ❖ cf. **MH**, “NC solitons and integrable systems”
Proc. of NCGP2004, [hep-th/0504001]

1. Introduction

Successful points in NC theories

- ❖ Appearance of **new** physical objects
- ❖ Description of **real** physics
- ❖ Various **successful applications** to D-brane dynamics etc.

NC Solitons play important roles
(Integrable!)

Final goal: NC extension of **all** soliton theories

Integrable equations in diverse dimensions

4	Anti-Self-Dual Yang-Mills eq. (instantons) $F_{\mu\nu} = -\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}$	NC extension (Successful)
3	Bogomol'nyi eq. (monopoles)	NC extension (Successful)
2 (+1)	KP eq. BCS eq. DS eq. ...	NC extension (This talk)
1 (+1)	KdV eq. Boussinesq eq. NLS eq. Burgers eq. sine-Gordon eq. (affine) Toda field eq. ...	NC extension (This talk)

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Dim. of space

Ward's observation: Almost all
integrable equations are
reductions of the ASDYM eqs.

R.Ward, Phil.Trans.Roy.Soc.Lond.A315(85)451

ASDYM eq.



Reductions

KP eq. BCS eq. Ward's chiral model
KdV eq. Boussinesq eq.
NLS eq. Toda field eq.
sine-Gordon eq. Burgers eq. ...

(Almost all !?)

e.g. [The book of Mason&Woodhouse]

NC Ward's observation: Almost all
NC integrable equations are
reductions of the NC ASDYM eqs.

MH&K.Toda, PLA316(03)77[hep-th/0211148]

NC ASDYM eq.

Successful

↓ NC Reductions Reductions

NC KP eq. NC BCS eq. NC Ward's chiral model
NC KdV eq. NC Boussinesq eq.
NC NLS eq. NC Toda field eq.
NC sine-Gordon eq. NC Burgers eq. ...

(Almost all !?)

Successful!!!

Now it is time to study from more comprehensive framework.

Program of NC extension of soliton theories

MH, PLB625, 324 [hep-th/0507112]

❖ Confirmation of NC Ward's conjecture Going well

- ❖ NC twistor theory → geometrical origin Talk at 13th NBMPS in Duham on Nov.5
- ❖ D-brane interpretations → applications to physics

❖ Completion of NC Sato's theory

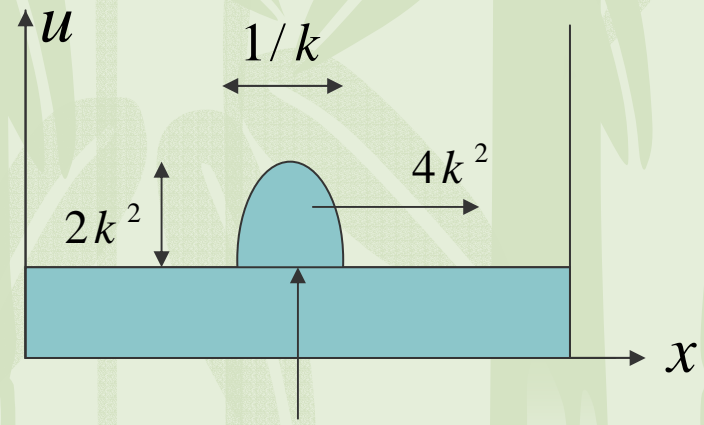
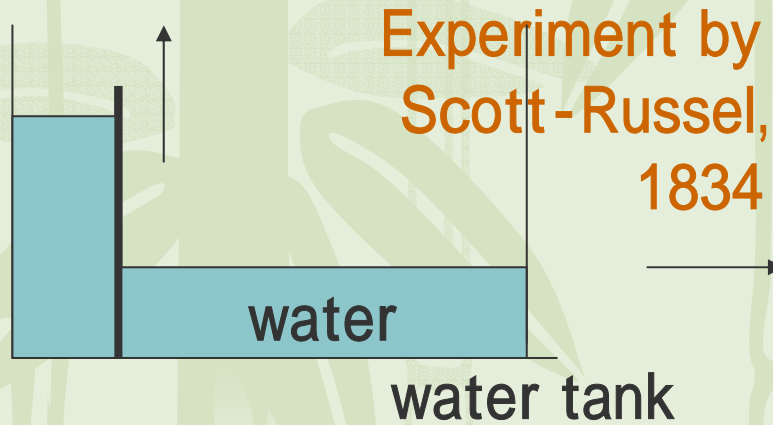
- ❖ Existence of "hierarchies" → Solved!
- ❖ Existence of infinite conserved quantities Successful
→ infinite-dim. hidden symmetry MH, JMP46 (2005) [hep-th/0311206]
- ❖ Construction of multi-soliton solutions Successful
- ❖ Theory of tau-functions → description of the symmetry and the soliton solutions Work in progress

Plan of this talk

1. Introduction
2. Review of soliton theories (fun)
3. NC Sato's theory
(derivation of NC soliton eqs.)
4. Conservation Laws
(infinite conserved quantities)
5. Exact Solutions and Ward's conjecture
(solvability and physical pictures)
6. Conclusion and Discussion

2. Review of Soliton Theories

❖ KdV equation : describe shallow water waves



solitary wave = soliton

This configuration satisfies

$$u = 2k^2 \cosh^{-2}(kx - 4k^3 t)$$

$$u_t + u''' + 6u'u = 0 : \text{KdV eq. [Korteweg-de Vries, 1895]}$$

This is a typical integrable equation.

Let's solve it now !

❖ Hirota's method [PRL27(1971)1192]

$$\dot{u} + u''' + 6u'u = 0 \quad : \text{naively hard to solve}$$

$$\downarrow \quad u = 2\partial_x^2 \log \tau$$

$$\tau\dot{\tau}' - \tau'\dot{\tau} + 3\tau''\tau'' - 4\tau'\tau''' + \tau\tau'''' = 0$$

Hirota's bilinear relation : more complicated ?

A solution: $\tau = 1 + e^{2(kx - \omega t)}, \quad \omega = 4k^3$

→ $u = 2k^2 \cosh^{-2}(kx - 4k^3 t) : \text{The solitary wave !}$
(1-soliton solution)

❖ 2-soliton solution

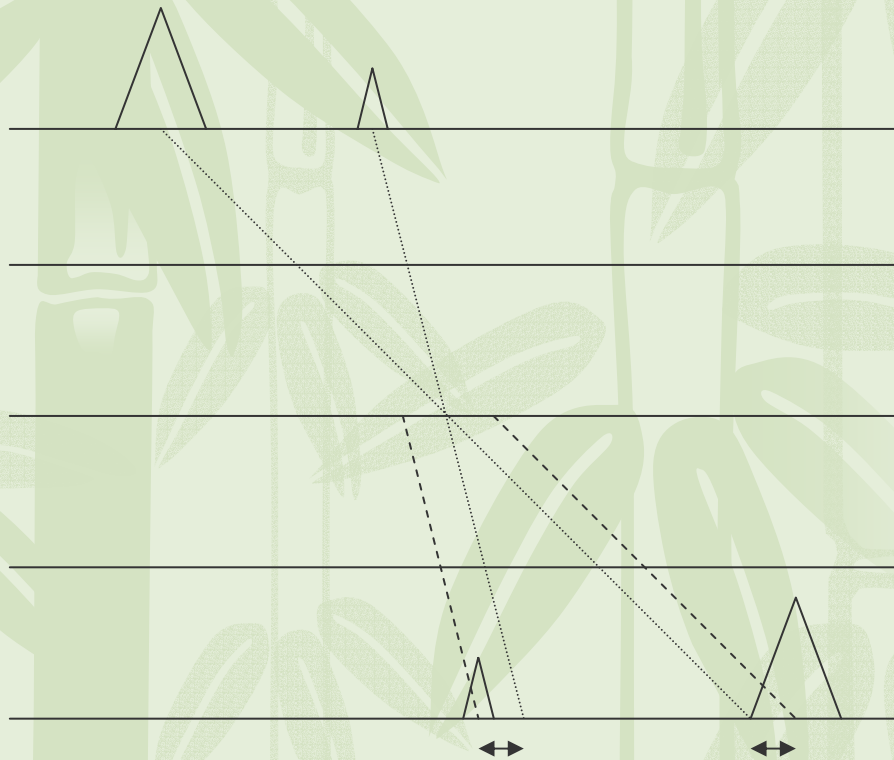
$$\tau = 1 + A_1 e^{2\theta_1} + A_2 e^{2\theta_2} + BA_1 A_2 e^{2(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

= A determinant of Wronski matrix (general property of soliton sols.)

$$\theta_i = k_i x - 4k_i^3 t, \quad B = \left(\frac{k_1 - k_2}{k_1 + k_2} \right)^2$$

Scattering process

“tau-functions”



The shape and velocity is preserved! (stable)

The positions are shifted! (Phase shift)

3. NC Sato's Theory

❖ Sato's Theory : one of the most beautiful theory of solitons

❖ Based on the existence of

hierarchies

and

tau-functions

A set of infinite soliton equations

(in terms of u)

$$u = 2\partial_x^2 \log \tau$$

A set of infinite bilinear equations

(in terms of τ)

Infinite evolution eqs.
whose flows are all
commuting



Infinite conserved quantities

Pluecker embedding maps
which define an infinite-dim.
Grassmann manifold.

(=the solution space)



Infinite dimensional symmetry

Derivation of soliton equations

- ❖ Prepare a Lax operator which is a **pseudo-differential operator**

$$L := \partial_x + u_2 \partial_x^{-1} + u_3 \partial_x^{-2} + u_4 \partial_x^{-3} + \dots$$

$$u_k = u_k(x^1, x^2, x^3, \dots)$$

- ❖ Introduce a differential operator

$$B_m := (L * \dots * L)_{\geq 0}$$

m times

Noncommutativity
is introduced here:

$$[x^i, x^j] = i\theta^{ij}$$

- ❖ Define NC (KP) hierarchy:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x^m} = [B_m, L]_*$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\partial_m u_2 \partial_x^{-1} + \\ &\partial_m u_3 \partial_x^{-2} + \\ &\partial_m u_4 \partial_x^{-3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &f_{m2}(u) \partial_x^{-1} + \\ &f_{m3}(u) \partial_x^{-2} + \\ &f_{m4}(u) \partial_x^{-3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Here all products are
star product:

Each coefficient yields
a differential equation.

Negative powers of differential operators

$$\partial_x^n \circ f := \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \binom{n}{j} (\partial_x^j f) \partial_x^{n-j}$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\cdots(n-(j-1))}{j(j-1)(j-2)\cdots 1}$$

: binomial coefficient
which can be extended
to negative n
→ negative power of
differential operator
(well-defined !)

$$\partial_x^3 \circ f = f \partial_x^3 + 3f \partial_x^2 + 3f'' \partial_x + f'''$$

$$\partial_x^2 \circ f = f \partial_x^2 + 2f \partial_x + f''$$

$$\partial_x^{-1} \circ f = f \partial_x^{-1} - f \partial_x^{-2} + f'' \partial_x^{-3} - \dots$$

$$\partial_x^{-2} \circ f = f \partial_x^{-2} - 2f \partial_x^{-3} + 3f'' \partial_x^{-4} - \dots$$

Star product:

$$f(x) * g(x) := f(x) \exp\left(\frac{i}{2} \theta^{ij} \overleftarrow{\partial}_i \overrightarrow{\partial}_j\right) g(x)$$

which makes theories "noncommutative":

$$[x^i, x^j]_* := x^i * x^j - x^j * x^i = i \theta^{ij}$$

Closer look at NC KP hierarchy

For $m=2$

$$\partial_x^{-1}) \quad \partial_2 u_2 = \underline{2u_3'} + u_2''$$

$$\partial_x^{-2}) \quad \partial_2 u_3 = \underline{2u_4'} + u_3'' + 2u_2 * u_2' + 2[u_2, u_3]_*$$

$$\partial_x^{-3}) \quad \partial_2 u_4 = \underline{2u_5'} + u_4'' + 4u_3 * u_2' - 2u_2 * u_2'' + 2[u_2, u_4]_*$$

⋮

Infinite kind of fields are represented
in terms of one kind of field $u_2 \equiv u$

MH&K.Toda, [hep-th/0309265]

$$u_x := \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

$$\partial_x^{-1} := \int^x dx'$$

For $m=3$

$$\partial_x^{-1}) \quad \partial_3 u_2 = u_2''' + 3u_3'' + 3u_4'' + 3u_2' * u_2 + 3u_2 * u_2'$$

⋮

$$u_t = \frac{1}{4} u_{xxx} + \frac{3}{4} (u_x * u + u * u_x) + \frac{3}{4} \partial_x^{-1} u_{yy} + \frac{3}{4} [u, \partial_x^{-1} u_{yy}]_*$$

(2+1)-dim.
NC KP equation

and other NC equations
(NC KP hierarchy equations)

$$u = u(x^1, x^2, x^3, \dots)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \updownarrow & \updownarrow & \updownarrow \\ x & y & t \end{array}$$

(KP hierarchy) ^{reductions} → (various hierarchies.)

❖ (Ex.) KdV hierarchy

Reduction condition

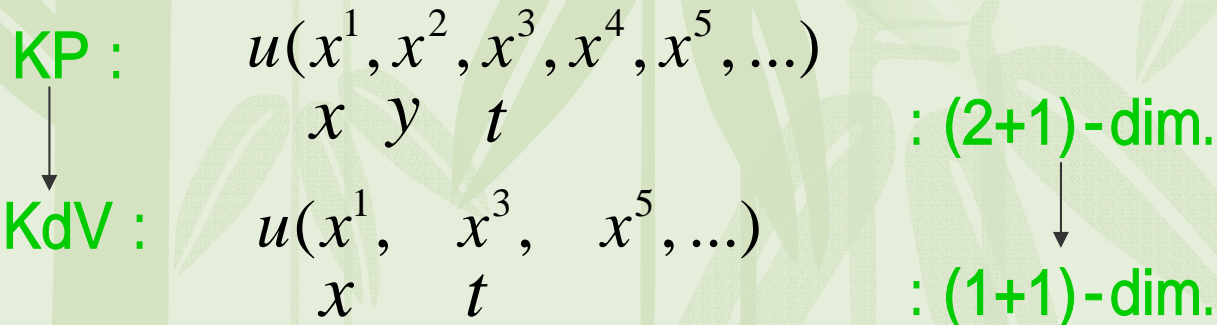
$$L^2 = B_2 (=:\partial_x^2 + u) \quad : \text{2-reduction}$$

gives rise to NC KdV hierarchy

which includes (1+1)-dim. NC KdV eq.:

$$u_t = \frac{1}{4}u_{xxx} + \frac{3}{4}(u_x * u + u * u_x)$$

Note $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x_{2N}} = 0$: dimensional reduction in x_{2N} directions



ℓ -reduction of NC KP hierarchy yields wide class of other NC (GD) hierarchies

- ❖ No-reduction \rightarrow NC KP $(x, y, t) = (x^1, x^2, x^3)$
- ❖ 2-reduction \rightarrow NC KdV $(x, t) = (x^1, x^3)$
- ❖ 3-reduction \rightarrow NC Boussinesq $(x, t) = (x^1, x^2)$
- ❖ 4-reduction \rightarrow NC Coupled KdV \dots
- ❖ 5-reduction $\rightarrow \dots$
- ❖ 3-reduction of BKP \rightarrow NC Sawada-Kotera
- ❖ 2-reduction of mKP \rightarrow NC mKdV
- ❖ Special 1-reduction of mKP \rightarrow NC Burgers
- ❖ \dots Noncommutativity should be introduced into space-time coords

4. Conservation Laws

❖ Conservation laws: $\partial_t \sigma = \partial_i J^i$ σ : Conserved density
 time \nearrow ∂_t \leftarrow space ∂_i

Then $Q := \int_{space} dx \sigma$ is a conserved quantity.

$$\because \partial_t Q = \int_{space} dx \partial_t \sigma = \int_{spatial} dS_i J^i = 0$$

inf inity

Conservation laws for the hierarchies

$$\partial_m res_{-1} L^n = \partial_x J + \theta^{ij} \partial_j \Xi_i$$

time \nearrow ∂_m \nearrow space ∂_x \leftarrow ∂_j

I have succeeded in the evaluation explicitly !

$res_{-r} L^n$: coefficient
of ∂_x^{-r} in L^n

Noncommutativity should be introduced
in space-time directions only. \rightarrow

$$t \equiv x^m$$

∂_j should be space or time derivative
 \rightarrow ordinary conservation laws !

Infinite conserved densities for the NC soliton eqs. ($n=1,2,\dots$)

$$\sigma_n = \text{res}_{-1} L^n + \theta^{im} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \sum_{l=0}^k \binom{k}{l} (\partial_x^{k-l} \text{res}_{-(l+1)} L^n) \diamond (\partial_i \text{res}_k L^m)$$

$t \equiv x^m$ $\text{res}_r L^n$: coefficient of ∂_x^r in L^n

\diamond : Strachan's product (commutative and non-associative)

$$f(x) \diamond g(x) := f(x) \left(\sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^s}{(2s+1)!} \left(\frac{1}{2} \theta^{ij} \vec{\partial}_i \vec{\partial}_j \right)^{2s} \right) g(x)$$

MH, JMP46 (2005)
[hep-th/0311206]

This suggests infinite-dimensional symmetries would be hidden.

We can calculate the explicit forms of conserved densities for the wide class of NC soliton equations.

❖ Space-Space noncommutativity:

NC deformation is slight: $\sigma_n = \text{res}_{-1} L^n$

involutive (integrable in Liouville's sense)

❖ Space-time noncommutativity

NC deformation is drastical:

❖ Example: NC KP and KdV equations $([t, x] = i\theta)$

$$\sigma_n = \text{res}_{-1} L^n - 3\theta((\text{res}_{-1} L^n) \diamond u'_3 + (\text{res}_{-2} L^n) \diamond u'_2)$$

meaningful ?

5. Exact Solutions and Ward's conjecture

❖ We have found **exact N-soliton solutions** for the wide class of NC hierarchies.

❖ 1-soliton solutions are all the same as commutative ones because of

$$f(x-vt) * g(x-vt) = f(x-vt)g(x-vt)$$

❖ Multi-soliton solutions behave in almost the same way as commutative ones **except for phase shifts.**

❖ Noncommutativity affects **the phase shifts**

Exact multi-soliton solutions of the NC soliton eqs.

$L = \Phi \partial_x \Phi^{-1}$ solves the NC Lax hierarchy !

$\Phi f := \left| W(y_1, \dots, y_N, f) \right|_{N+1, N+1}$ quasi-determinant of Wronski matrix

$y_i = \exp \xi(x, \alpha_i) + a_i \exp \xi(x, \beta_i)$ Etingof-Gelfand-Retakh

$\xi(x, \alpha) = x_1 \alpha + x_2 \alpha^2 + x_3 \alpha^3 + \dots$ [q-alg/9701008]

The exact solutions are actually N-soliton solutions !

Noncommutativity might affect the phase shift by $\theta^{ij} \omega_i k_j$

$\therefore \exp i(\omega_i t - k_i x) * \exp i(\omega_j t - k_j x)$ [MH, work in progress]

$\cong \exp(-i \theta^{ij} \omega_i k_j) \exp i((\omega_i + \omega_j)t - (k_i + k_j)x)$

Exactly solvable!

Quasi-determinants

❖ Defined inductively as follows

[For a review, see
Gelfand et al.,
[math.QA/0208146](https://mathoverflow.net/questions/208146)]

$$|X|_{ij} = x_{ij} - \sum_{i',j'} x_{i'i'} (|X^{ij}|_{i'j'})^{-1} x_{j'j}$$

$$n = 1: |X|_{ij} = x_{ij}$$

$$n = 2: |X|_{11} = x_{11} - x_{12} \cdot x_{22}^{-1} \cdot x_{21}, \quad |X|_{12} = x_{12} - x_{11} \cdot x_{21}^{-1} \cdot x_{22},$$

$$|X|_{21} = x_{21} - x_{22} \cdot x_{12}^{-1} \cdot x_{11}, \quad |X|_{22} = x_{22} - x_{21} \cdot x_{11}^{-1} \cdot x_{12},$$

$$n = 3: |X|_{11} = x_{11} - x_{12} \cdot (x_{22} - x_{23} \cdot x_{33}^{-1} \cdot x_{32})^{-1} \cdot x_{21} - x_{13} \cdot (x_{32} - x_{33} \cdot x_{23}^{-1} \cdot x_{22})^{-1} \cdot x_{21} \\ - x_{12} \cdot (x_{23} - x_{22} \cdot x_{32}^{-1} \cdot x_{33})^{-1} \cdot x_{31} - x_{13} \cdot (x_{33} - x_{32} \cdot x_{22}^{-1} \cdot x_{23})^{-1} \cdot x_{31}$$

...

Wronski matrix:

$$W(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m) = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 & f_2 & \cdots & f_m \\ \partial_x f_1 & \partial_x f_2 & \cdots & \partial_x f_m \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \partial_x^{m-1} f_1 & \partial_x^{m-1} f_2 & \cdots & \partial_x^{m-1} f_m \end{bmatrix}$$

NC Ward's conjecture (NC NLS eq.)

❖ Reduced ASDYM eq.: $x^\mu \rightarrow (t, x)$

Legare,
[hep-th/0012077]

(i) $B' = 0$

(ii) $C' - \dot{A} + [A, C]_* = 0$

(iii) $A' - \dot{B} + [C, B]_* = 0$

A, B, C: 2 times 2
matrices (gauge fields)

Further
Reduction:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q \\ -\bar{q} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, B = \frac{i}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, C = i \begin{pmatrix} q * \bar{q} & \bar{q}' \\ q' & -\bar{q} * q \end{pmatrix}$$

(ii) $\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i\dot{q} - q'' - 2q * \bar{q} * q \\ i\dot{\bar{q}} + \bar{q}'' - 2\bar{q} * q * \bar{q} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$

NOT traceless

$i\dot{q} = q'' + 2q * \bar{q} * q$: NC NLS eq. !!!

[MH, PLB625,324]

Note: $A, B, C \in u(2) \xrightarrow{\theta \rightarrow 0} su(2)$ U(1) part is necessary !

NC Ward's conjecture (NC Burgers eq.)

❖ Reduced ASDYM eq.: $x^\mu \rightarrow (t, x)$ MH & K.Toda, JPA36 [hep-th/0301213]

$$(i) \quad \dot{A} + \underline{[B, A]}_* = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad \dot{C} - B' + \underline{[B, C]}_* = 0,$$

$$A, B, C \in \underline{u(1)}$$

should remain

$$\cong \underline{u(\infty)}$$

Further

Reduction: $A = 0, B = u' - u^2, C = u$

$$(ii) \Rightarrow \dot{u} = u'' + 2u * u'$$

: NC Burgers eq. !!!

Note: Without the commutators $[,]$, (ii) yields:

$$\dot{u} = u'' + \underline{u' * u + u * u'} : \text{neither linearizable nor Lax form}$$

Symmetric

NC Ward's conjecture (NC KdV eq.)

MH, PLB625, 324
[hep-th/0507112]

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A, B, C: 2 times 2
matrices (gauge fields)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} q & -1 \\ q' + q^2 & -q \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

Further
Reduction:

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}q'' + q' * q & -q' \\ \underline{f(q, q', q'', q''')} & -\frac{1}{2}q'' - q * q' \end{pmatrix}$$

**NOT
Traceless !**

(ii) $\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \oplus & 0 \\ \otimes & -\oplus \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{q} = \frac{1}{4}q''' + \frac{3}{4}q' * q' : \text{NC pKdV eq. !!!}$
 $u = q' \rightarrow \text{NC KdV}$

Note: $A, B, C \in gl(2) \xrightarrow{\theta \rightarrow 0} sl(2)$ **U(1) part is necessary !**

6. Conclusion and Discussion

- ❖ We derived **very wide class** of NC soliton eqs. in the frame work of NC KP or GD hierarchies.
- ❖ We proved **the existence of infinite conserved quantities and exact multi-soliton sols.** for them.
- ❖ We also gave some examples of **NC Ward's conjecture**, which guarantees **physical pictures.**
- ❖ The results shows that they still have **very special properties** though they include **infinite (time!) derivatives.**
- ❖ Of course there are still many things to be seen

Further directions

- ❖ Completion of NC Sato's theory
 - ❖ Theory of tau-functions
 - hidden symmetry (deformed affine Lie algebras?)
Quasi-determinants play crucial roles ?
 - ❖ Geometrical descriptions from NC extension of the theories of Krichever, Mulase and Segal-Wilson and so on.
- ❖ Confirmation of NC Ward's conjecture
 - ❖ NC twistor theory
e.g. Kapustin&Kuznetsov&Orlov, Hannabuss, Hannover group,...
 - ❖ D-brane interpretations → application to physics
- ❖ Foundation of Hamiltonian formalism for space-time noncommutativity
 - ❖ Liouville's theorem, Noether's theorem, etc.