

# Lax representation and soliton solutions for the $(2+1)$ -dimensional two-component complex modified Korteweg-de Vries equations

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**Abstract.** Under investigation in this paper is the  $(2+1)$  -dimensional two-component complex modified Korteweg-de Vries (tcmKdV) equations. Based on the Ablowitz-Kaup-Newell-Segur system, the a new Lax representation is derived of the tcmKdV equations. By Darboux transformation method soliton solutions for the tcmKdV equations are obtained, respectively.

## 1. Introduction

The most typical and well-studied integrable evolution equations which describe nonlinear wave phenomena for a range of dispersive physical systems are the nonlinear Schrodinger (NLS) equation , Korteweg-de Vries (KdV) equation , modified Korteweg-de Vries (mKdV) equation. The complex modified Korteweg-de Vries (cmKdV) equation is one of generalized form of the KdV equation. It admits soliton solutions. In soliton theory, (cmKdV) equation possesses all the basic characters of integrable models. From a physical point of view, cmKdV equation has been derived for, e.g. the dynamical evolution of nonlinear lattices, fluid dynamics, plasma physics, nonlinear transmission lines and so on [1]. With regard to exact solutions, many classical solving methods, such as Hirota's bilinear method [2], the IST [3, 4], Darboux transformation [5-15] has been used to solve integrable evolution equations.

In this paper, we consider the new  $(2+1)$  -dimensional two-component complex modified

Korteweg-de Vries (tcmKdV) equations as follows:

$$iq_{1t} + iq_{1yxx} + i(w_1q_1)_x + i(f_1q_2)_x - v_1q_1 - u_1q_2 = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$iq_{2t} + iq_{2yxx} + i(w_2q_2)_x + i(f_2q_1)_x - v_2q_2 - u_2q_1 = 0, \quad (2)$$

$$v_{1x} + i(2q_1^*q_{1xy} - 2q_{1xy}^*q_1 + q_2^*q_{2xy} - q_{2xy}^*q_2) + f_2q_2^*q_1 - f_1q_1^*q_2 = 0, \quad (3)$$

$$v_{2x} + i(2q_2^*q_{2xy} - 2q_{2xy}^*q_2 + q_1^*q_{1xy} - q_{1xy}^*q_1) + f_1q_1^*q_2 - f_2q_2^*q_1 = 0, \quad (4)$$

$$u_{1x} + i[(q_2^*q_{1yx} - q_{2yx}^*q_1) - f_1(|q_1|^2 + |q_2|^2) + (w_2 - w_1)q_2^*q_1] = 0, \quad (5)$$

$$u_{2x} + i[(q_1^*q_{2yx} - q_{1yx}^*q_2) - f_2(|q_1|^2 + |q_2|^2) + (w_1 - w_2)q_1^*q_2] = 0, \quad (6)$$

$$w_{1x} - (2|q_1|^2 + |q_2|^2)_y = 0, \quad (7)$$

$$w_{2x} - (|q_1|^2 + 2|q_2|^2)_y = 0, \quad (8)$$

$$f_{1x} - (q_2^*q_1)_y = 0, \quad (9)$$

$$f_{2x} - (q_1^*q_2)_y = 0, \quad (10)$$

where  $q_1, q_2$  are complex functions,  $v_1, v_2, u_1, u_2, w_1, w_2, f_1, f_2$  are real functions. In one-component case cmKdV equations has been studied in [16].

The paper is prepared as follows. In Section 2, the Lax pair is presented. In Section 3, we apply Darboux transformation method for the two-component complex modified Korteweg-de Vries (tcmKdV) equations. Section 4, soliton solutions are obtained by Darboux transformation, and in Section 5 conclusions are given.

## 2. Lax representation

In this section, we would like to present a new Lax pair of the (2+1)-dimensional tcmKdV equations. According to the Ablowitz-Kaup-Newell-Segur (AKNS) formalism, Lax pair for equations (1)-(10) is written as

$$\Psi_x = A\Psi, \quad (11)$$

$$\Psi_t = 4\lambda^2\Psi_y + B\Psi, \quad (12)$$

with the following matrices:

$$A = i\lambda\Sigma + A_0,$$

$$B = \lambda B_1 + B_0,$$

where

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q_1 & q_2 \\ -q_1^* & 0 & 0 \\ -q_2^* & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & 2iq_{1y} & 2iq_{2y} \\ 2iq_{1y}^* & a_{22} & -2if_2 \\ 2iq_{2y}^* & -2if_1 & a_{33} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$B_0 = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & -q_{1yx} - w_1q_1 - f_1q_2 & -q_{2yx} - w_2q_2 - f_2q_1 \\ q_{1yx}^* + w_1q_1^* - f_2q_2^* & b_{22} & iu_2 \\ q_{2yx}^* + w_2q_2^* - f_1q_1^* & iu_1 & b_{33} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Moreover,  $\Psi = (\Psi_1(\lambda, x, y, t), \Psi_2(\lambda, x, y, t), \Psi_3(\lambda, x, y, t))^T$  (T mean a matrix transpose) denotes the eigenfunction of Lax pair equations (11)-(12) associated with  $\lambda$ . The compatible condition of equations (1)-(10) is

$$A_t - B_x + AB - BA - 4\lambda^2 A_y = 0. \quad (13)$$

In fact, by direct calculation of the compatible condition (13) we can obtain next equations

$$iq_{1t} + iq_{1yxx} - \frac{1}{2}(a_{2211}q_1)_x + i(f_1q_2)_x + ib_{2211}q_1 - u_1q_2 = 0 \quad (14)$$

$$iq_{2t} + iq_{2yxx} - \frac{1}{2}(a_{3311}q_2)_x + i(f_2q_1)_x + ib_{3311}q_2 - u_1q_1 = 0 \quad (15)$$

$$a_{11x} = 2i(|q_1|^2 + |q_2|^2)_y \quad (16)$$

$$a_{22x} = -2i(|q_1|^2)_y \quad (17)$$

$$a_{33x} = -2i(|q_2|^2)_y \quad (18)$$

$$b_{11x} = (q_{1yx}^*q_1 - q_1^*q_{1yx} + q_{2yx}^*q_2 - q_2^*q_{2yx}) \quad (19)$$

$$b_{22x} = (q_1^*q_{1yx} - q_{1yx}^*q_1) + i(f_1q_1^*q_2 - f_2q_2^*q_1) \quad (20)$$

$$b_{33x} = (q_2^*q_{2yx} - q_{2yx}^*q_2) - i(f_1q_1^*q_2 - f_2q_2^*q_1) \quad (21)$$

where

$$b_{2211} = b_{22} - b_{11} = iv_1, \quad (22)$$

$$b_{3311} = b_{33} - b_{11} = iv_2, \quad (23)$$

$$a_{2211} = a_{22} - a_{11} = -2iw_1, \quad (24)$$

$$a_{3311} = a_{33} - a_{11} = -2iw_2. \quad (25)$$

After doing some simplifications of equations (14)-(25) we can yield the (2+1)-dimensional temKdV equations (1)-(10).

### 3. Darboux transformation

Based on the Darboux transformation for AKNS system, we consider the following transformation of equations (11)-(12)

$$\Psi' = T\Psi = (\lambda I - M)\Psi, \quad (26)$$

where

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & m_{23} \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & m_{33} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (27)$$

New function  $\Psi'$  is supposed to satisfy

$$\Psi'_x = A'\Psi', \quad (28)$$

$$\Psi'_t = 4\lambda^2\Psi'_y + B'\Psi'. \quad (29)$$

where  $A'$  and  $B'$  depend on  $q_1^{[1]}, q_2^{[1]}, u_1^{[1]}, u_2^{[1]}, v_1^{[1]}, v_2^{[1]}, w_1^{[1]}, w_2^{[1]}, f_1^{[1]}, f_2^{[1]}$  and  $\lambda$ . In order to hold equations (28)-(29) the  $T$  must satisfy

$$T_x = A'T - TA, \quad (30)$$

$$T_t = B'T - TB + 4\lambda^2T_y. \quad (31)$$

One can choose  $T = \lambda I - M$ . Then the relation between  $q_1, q_2, u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2, w_1, w_2, f_1, f_2$  and  $q_1^{[1]}, q_2^{[1]}, u_1^{[1]}, u_2^{[1]}, v_1^{[1]}, v_2^{[1]}, w_1^{[1]}, w_2^{[1]}, f_1^{[1]}, f_2^{[1]}$  can be reduced from equations (30)-(31), which is

the Darboux transformation of the (2+1)-dimensional tcmKdV equations. Similar to the case of AKNS, comparing the coefficient of  $\lambda^i (i = 0, 1, 2)$  of the two sides of equations (30), we have

$$\lambda^0 : M_x = A'_0 M - M A_0, \quad (32)$$

$$\lambda^1 : A'_0 = A_0 + i[\Sigma, M], \quad (33)$$

$$\lambda^2 : iI\Sigma = i\Sigma I. \quad (34)$$

From the above equations we obtain

$$q_1^{[1]} = q_1 - 2im_{12}, \quad (35)$$

$$q_2^{[1]} = q_2 - 2im_{13}, \quad (36)$$

$$q_1^{*[1]} = q_1^* - 2im_{21}, \quad (37)$$

$$q_2^{*[1]} = q_2^* - 2im_{31}. \quad (38)$$

Hence we get  $m_{21} = -m_{12}^*, m_{31} = -m_{13}^*$ .

Then comparing the coefficients of  $\lambda^i$  of the two sides of the equation (31) gives us

$$\lambda^0 : M_t = B'_0 M - M B_0, \quad (39)$$

$$\lambda^1 : B'_0 = B_0 - M B_1 + B'_1 M, \quad (40)$$

$$\lambda^2 : B'_1 = B_1 + 4M_y. \quad (41)$$

It leads to

$$B'_0 = B_0 - M B_1 + (B_1 + 4M_y)M, \quad (42)$$

$$B'_1 = B_1 + 4M_y. \quad (43)$$

Using the equations (42)-(43) we can found

$$v_1^{[1]} = v_1 + 2(2q_{1y}^* m_{12} + 2q_{1y} m_{12}^* + q_{2y} m_{13}^* + q_{2y}^* m_{13}) - 4i(m_{22} m_{22y} + m_{32} m_{23y} - m_{11} m_{11y} + m_{13}^* m_{13y}) - 2(f_2 m_{32} - f_1 m_{23}), \quad (44)$$

$$v_2^{[1]} = v_1 + 2(2q_{2y}^* m_{13} + 2q_{2y} m_{13}^* + q_{1y} m_{12}^* + q_{1y}^* m_{12}) - 4i(m_{33} m_{33y} + m_{23} m_{32y} - m_{11} m_{11y} + m_{12}^* m_{12y}) - 2(f_1 m_{23} - f_2 m_{32}), \quad (45)$$

$$u_1^{[1]} = u_1 + 2(q_{2y}^* m_{12} + q_{1y} m_{13}^*) - 4i(m_{22} m_{32y} + m_{32} m_{33} - m_{12} m_{13y}^*) - 2f_1(m_{22} - m_{33}) + 2(w_1 - w_2)m_{32}, \quad (46)$$

$$u_2^{[1]} = u_2 + 2(q_{1y}^* m_{13} + q_{2y} m_{12}^*) - 4i(m_{33} m_{23y} + m_{23} m_{22} - m_{13} m_{12y}^*) - 2f_2(m_{22} - m_{33}) - 2(w_1 - w_2)m_{23}, \quad (47)$$

$$w_1^{[1]} = w_1 + 2i(m_{22} - m_{11})_y, \quad (48)$$

$$w_1^{[1]} = w_2 + 2i(m_{33} - m_{11})_y, \quad (49)$$

$$f_1^{[1]} = f_1 + 2im_{32y}, \quad (50)$$

$$f_2^{[1]} = f_2 + 2im_{23y}. \quad (51)$$

The key step is to find the concrete form of  $M$  expressed by the column solution of equations (11)-(12). Let

$$M = H\Lambda H^{-1}, \quad (52)$$

where

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \Psi_1(\lambda_1, x, y, t) & \Psi_1(\lambda_2, x, y, t) & \Psi_1(\lambda_3, x, y, t) \\ \Psi_2(\lambda_1, x, y, t) & \Psi_2(\lambda_2, x, y, t) & \Psi_2(\lambda_3, x, y, t) \\ \Psi_3(\lambda_1, x, y, t) & \Psi_3(\lambda_2, x, y, t) & \Psi_3(\lambda_3, x, y, t) \end{pmatrix} := \begin{pmatrix} \Psi_{1,1} & \Psi_{1,2} & \Psi_{1,3} \\ \Psi_{2,1} & \Psi_{2,2} & \Psi_{2,3} \\ \Psi_{3,1} & \Psi_{3,2} & \Psi_{3,3} \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $\det(H) \neq 0$ . We take

$$\lambda_3 = \lambda_2 = \lambda_1^*, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} \Psi_1(\lambda_1, x, y, t) & \Psi_2^*(\lambda_1, x, y, t) & \Psi_3^*(\lambda_1, x, y, t) \\ \Psi_2(\lambda_1, x, y, t) & -\Psi_1^*(\lambda_1, x, y, t) & 0 \\ \Psi_3(\lambda_1, x, y, t) & 0 & -\Psi_1^*(\lambda_1, x, y, t) \end{pmatrix} \quad (53)$$

and then

$$H^{-1} = \frac{1}{|\Psi_1|^2 + |\Psi_2|^2 + |\Psi_3|^2} \begin{pmatrix} \Psi_1^{2*} & \Psi_1^* \Psi_2^* & \Psi_1^* \Psi_3^* \\ \Psi_2 \Psi_1^* & -|\Psi_1|^2 - |\Psi_3|^2 & \Psi_2 \Psi_3^* \\ \Psi_3 \Psi_1^* & \Psi_3 \Psi_2^* & -|\Psi_1|^2 - |\Psi_2|^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (54)$$

So taking equation (53) and (54) back into equation (52) we get matrix M in the following form

$$M = \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 |\Psi_1|^2 + \lambda_1^* (|\Psi_2|^2 + |\Psi_3|^2) & \Psi_1 \Psi_2^* (\lambda_1 - \lambda_1^*) & \Psi_1 \Psi_3^* (\lambda_1 - \lambda_1^*) \\ \Psi_2 \Psi_1^* (\lambda_1 - \lambda_1^*) & \lambda_1 |\Psi_2|^2 + \lambda_1^* (|\Psi_1|^2 + |\Psi_3|^2) & \Psi_2 \Psi_3^* (\lambda_1 - \lambda_1^*) \\ \Psi_3 \Psi_1^* (\lambda_1 - \lambda_1^*) & \Psi_3 \Psi_2^* (\lambda_1 - \lambda_1^*) & \lambda_1 |\Psi_3|^2 + \lambda_1^* (|\Psi_1|^2 + |\Psi_2|^2) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (55)$$

where

$$\Delta = |\Psi_1|^2 + |\Psi_2|^2 + |\Psi_3|^2.$$

#### 4. Soliton solution

Having the explicit form of the Darboux transformation, we are ready to construct exact solutions of the (2+1)-dimensional tcmKdV equations. As an example, let us present the one-soliton solution. To get the one-soliton solutions we assume trivial seed solutions of equations (1)-(10) as

$$q_1 = 0; q_2 = 0; v_1 = 0; v_2 = 0; u_1 = 0; u_2 = 0; w_1 = 0; w_2 = 0; f_1 = 0; f_2 = 0. \quad (56)$$

From equations (11)-(12), the corresponding eigenfunctions of this seed become

$$\Psi_1 = e^{-i\lambda x + ib_1 y + 4\lambda^2 b_1 t + i\delta_1}, \quad (57)$$

$$\Psi_2 = e^{i\lambda x + ib_2 y + 4\lambda^2 b_2 t + i\delta_2}, \quad (58)$$

$$\Psi_3 = e^{i\lambda x + ib_3 y + 4\lambda^2 b_3 t + i\delta_3}, \quad (59)$$

where  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3$  are real constants. If  $\lambda = \alpha + i\beta$ ,  $b_j = \nu_j + in_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, 3$ ) then we can rewrite equations (57)-(59) as

$$\Psi_1 = e^{\theta_1 + i\chi_1}, \quad (60)$$

$$\Psi_2 = e^{\theta_2 + i\chi_2}, \quad (61)$$

$$\Psi_3 = e^{\theta_3 + i\chi_3}, \quad (62)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_1 &= \beta x - n_1 y + 4(\beta^2 n_1 - \alpha^2 n_1)t - 8\alpha\beta\nu_1 t, \\ \chi_1 &= -\alpha x + \nu_1 y + 4(\alpha^2 \nu_1 - \beta^2 \nu_1)t - 8\alpha\beta n_1 t, \\ \theta_2 &= \beta x - n_2 y + 4(\beta^2 n_2 - \alpha^2 n_2)t - 8\alpha\beta\nu_2 t, \\ \chi_2 &= -\alpha x + \nu_2 y + 4(\alpha^2 \nu_2 - \beta^2 \nu_2)t - 8\alpha\beta n_2 t, \\ \theta_3 &= \beta x - n_3 y + 4(\beta^2 n_3 - \alpha^2 n_3)t - 8\alpha\beta\nu_3 t, \\ \chi_3 &= -\alpha x + \nu_3 y + 4(\alpha^2 \nu_3 - \beta^2 \nu_3)t - 8\alpha\beta n_3 t. \end{aligned}$$

By taking equations (60)-(62) into equations (35),(36),(44)-(51) and doing some simplifications, we obtain the one-soliton solutions of the (2+1)-dimensional tcmKdV equations in the following form

$$\begin{aligned} q_1^{[1]} &= -2im_{12}, \\ q_2^{[1]} &= -2im_{13}, \\ v_1^{[1]} &= -4i(m_{22}m_{22y} + m_{32}m_{23y} - m_{11}m_{11y} + m_{13}^*m_{13y}), \\ v_2^{[1]} &= -4i(m_{33}m_{33y} + m_{23}m_{32y} - m_{11}m_{11y} + m_{12}^*m_{12y}), \\ u_1^{[1]} &= -4i(m_{22}m_{32y} + m_{32}m_{33} - m_{12}m_{13y}^*), \\ u_2^{[1]} &= -4i(m_{33}m_{23y} + m_{23}m_{22} - m_{13}m_{12y}^*), \\ w_1^{[1]} &= 2i(m_{22} - m_{11})_y, \\ w_1^{[1]} &= 2i(m_{33} - m_{11})_y, \\ f_1^{[1]} &= 2im_{32y}, \\ f_2^{[1]} &= 2im_{23y}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} m_{11} &= \alpha + \frac{i\beta(e^{2\theta_1} - e^{2\theta_2} - e^{2\theta_3})}{e^{2\theta_1} + e^{2\theta_2} + e^{2\theta_3}}, \\ m_{22} &= \alpha + \frac{i\beta(e^{2\theta_2} - e^{2\theta_1} - e^{2\theta_3})}{e^{2\theta_1} + e^{2\theta_2} + e^{2\theta_3}}, \\ m_{33} &= \alpha + \frac{i\beta(e^{2\theta_3} - e^{2\theta_1} - e^{2\theta_2})}{e^{2\theta_1} + e^{2\theta_2} + e^{2\theta_3}}, \\ m_{12} &= \frac{2i\beta e^{\theta_1 + \theta_2 + i(\chi_1 - \chi_2)}}{e^{2\theta_1} + e^{2\theta_2} + e^{2\theta_3}}, \\ m_{13} &= \frac{2i\beta e^{\theta_1 + \theta_3 + i(\chi_1 - \chi_3)}}{e^{2\theta_1} + e^{2\theta_2} + e^{2\theta_3}}, \\ m_{23} &= \frac{2i\beta e^{\theta_2 + \theta_3 + i(\chi_2 - \chi_3)}}{e^{2\theta_1} + e^{2\theta_2} + e^{2\theta_3}}, \\ m_{32} &= \frac{2i\beta e^{\theta_2 + \theta_3 + i(\chi_3 - \chi_2)}}{e^{2\theta_1} + e^{2\theta_2} + e^{2\theta_3}}. \end{aligned}$$

## 5. Conclusion

In this letter, we present a new Lax pair of the (2+1)-dimensional two-component complex modified Korteweg-de Vries equations. One fold Darboux transformation is constructed. The one-soliton solutions are obtained by means of the Darboux transformation. In a recursive manner, one can obtain the multi-soliton solution from the two seeds in previous. We will study other different kind solutions of the (2+1)-dimensional tcmKdV equations in future.

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