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#### Abstract

A supersymmetric integrable equation in $(2+1)$ dimensions is constructed by means of the approach of the homogenous space of the super Lie algebra, where the super Lie algebra $\operatorname{osp}(3 / 2)$ is considered. For this $(2+1)$ dimensional integrable equation, we also derive its Bäcklund transformation.


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## 1. Introduction

The supersymmtric generalizations of the integrable systems in $(1+1)$ dimensions have been paid more attention. Since various techniques like Painlevé test [11], Darboux and Bäcklund transformations $[6,8,19]$, Hirota bilinear method $[7,13]$ and prolongation structure theory [15] have been extended to analysis supersymmetric integrable systems, a large number of ( $1+1$ )-dimensional integrable supersymmetric equations have been well studied, such as supersymmetric Korteweg-de Vries equation [5, 12], supersymmetric Kadomtsev-Petviashvili hierarchy [10, 18], supersymmetric nonlinear Schrödinger equation [14] and Heisenberg supermagnet model [4, 9, 21].

Not as the case of the ( $1+1$ )-dimensional supersymmetric integrable systems, the supersymmtric higher dimensional integrable systems have not been dealt with in such detail. Thus its investigation has attracted interest from physical and mathematical points of view. The Heisenberg supermagnet model [9] is an integrable supersymmetric system which can be regarded as the superextension of the Heisenberg ferromagnet model. Due to its connection with the strong electron correlated Hubbard model, much interest has arisen in the construction of its higher dimensional integrable models. Recently the $(2+1)$-dimensional integrable Heisenberg supermagnet models have been constructed [20]. It should be pointed out that the super Lie algebra $\operatorname{uspl}(2 / 1)$ play an important role there. Saha and Chowdhury [16] presented two approaches to construct ( $2+1$ )-dimensional supersymmetric systems. In one approach, they investigated the ( $2+1$ )-dimensional supersymmetric systems based on the ideal of Fordy and Kulish [3] with the homogeneous space of the super Lie algebra. In the other approach, a different technique of extending the dimension of the system were
used. Furthermore the fermionic covariant prolongation structure technique has been applied to the multidimensional super nonlinear evolution equation [22].

The integrable quantum field theories have attracted a lot of interest. Recently it is found that the super Lie algebra $\operatorname{osp}(\mathrm{m} / 2 \mathrm{n})$ plays an important role in the integrable quantum field theories [17]. Thus one has paid more attention on the super Lie algebra $\operatorname{osp}(\mathrm{m} / 2 \mathrm{n})[1,2]$. In this paper, we shall construct a supersymmetric integrable equation in $(2+1)$ dimensions by means of the approach of the homogenous space of the super Lie algebra osp(3/2).

## 2. The integrable system of the super Lie algebra $\operatorname{Osp}(3 / 2)$

The orthosympletic $\operatorname{osp}(3 / 2)$ can be defined as the set of all $5 \times 5$ matrices of the form

$$
\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
a & 0 & b & g & j  \tag{2.1}\\
0 & -a & c & h & k \\
-c & -b & 0 & i & l \\
k & j & l & d & e \\
-h & -g & -i & f & -d
\end{array}\right),
$$

where the non-zero entries are arbitrary complex numbers. The even subalgebra $\mathrm{so}(3) \oplus \mathrm{sp}(2)$ consists of all matrices (2.1), for which $g=h=i=j=k=l=0$, whereas the odd subspace is obtained taking $a=b=c=d=e=f=0$. Let $\hat{x}$ be the matrix (2.1) where we put the variable $x$ equal to 1 and all other variables equal to zero. The super Lie algebra osp(3/2) is generated by the bosonic generators ( $\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{c}, \hat{d}, \hat{e}, \hat{f}$ ) and fermionic generators $(\hat{g}, \hat{h}, \hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}, \hat{l})$.

Let us denote the super Lie bracket

$$
\begin{equation*}
[X, Y]=X \cdot Y-(-1)^{P(X) P(Y)} X \cdot Y, \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

in which $P(X)$ and $P(Y)$ are the parities of the corresponding matrices or generators.
Substituting the bosonic and fermionic generators of the super Lie algebra osp(3/2) into the super Lie bracket (2.2), it is easy to give their (anti) commutation relations. From these (anti) commutation relations, we note that the super Lie algebra $\operatorname{osp}(3 / 2)$ can be decomposed as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{g}=\mathbf{k} \oplus \mathbf{m} \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
[\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}] \subset \mathbf{k},[\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{m}] \subset \mathbf{m},[\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{m}] \subset \mathbf{k}, \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{align*}
\mathbf{k} & =\{\hat{a}, \hat{d}, \hat{e}, \hat{f}, \hat{i}, \hat{l}\} \\
\mathbf{m} & =\{\hat{b}, \hat{c}, \hat{g}, \hat{h}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}\} . \tag{2.5}
\end{align*}
$$

Let us turn to consider the following equations:

$$
\begin{align*}
\phi_{x} & =[\lambda \cdot A+Q(x, y, t)] \phi \triangleq M \phi, \\
\phi_{t} & =\lambda^{n-1} \phi_{y}+\sum_{i=0}^{n-2} B_{n-i}(x, y, t) \lambda^{i} \phi \triangleq\left(\partial_{t}-\lambda^{n-1} \partial_{y}-N\right) \phi, \tag{2.6}
\end{align*}
$$

where the constant matrix $A$ belongs to the Cartan subalgebra of $\mathbf{g}, Q(x, y, t) \in \mathbf{m}$ and $B_{n-i}(x, y, t) \in$ g.

By means of the integrability condition

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left[\partial_{x}-M, \partial_{t}-\lambda^{n-1} \partial_{y}-N\right]=0 \tag{2.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

we have

$$
\begin{align*}
\partial_{y} Q(x, y, t) & =\left[A, B_{2}(x, y, t)\right], \\
\partial_{x} B_{n-i}(x, y, t) & =\left[A, B_{n-i+1}(x, y, t)\right]+\left[Q(x, y, t), B_{n-i}(x, y, t)\right], \\
\partial_{t} Q(x, y, t) & =\partial_{x} B_{n}(x, y, t)-\left[Q(x, y, t), B_{n}(x, y, t)\right], \tag{2.8}
\end{align*}
$$

where $i=1,2, \cdots n-2$.
Let us consider the case of $n=2$ in (2.8) and take $A=\hat{a}$ and $B_{n-i}=B_{n-i}^{m}+B_{n-i}^{k}$, where $B_{n-i}^{m} \in \mathbf{m}$ and $B_{n-i}^{k} \in \mathbf{k}$. Then the equations (2.8) becomes

$$
\begin{align*}
\partial_{y} Q & =\left[A, B_{2}^{m}\right],  \tag{2.9}\\
\partial_{x} B_{2}^{k} & =\left[Q, B_{2}^{m}\right],  \tag{2.10}\\
\partial_{t} Q & =\partial_{x} B_{2}^{m}-\left[Q, B_{2}^{k}\right] . \tag{2.11}
\end{align*}
$$

Due to the property (2.4), we may assume

$$
\begin{align*}
Q & =q_{1} \hat{b}+q_{2} \hat{c}+q_{3} \hat{g}+q_{4} \hat{h}+q_{5} \hat{k}+q_{6} \hat{j}, \\
B_{2}^{m} & =s_{1} \hat{b}+s_{2} \hat{c}+s_{3} \hat{g}+s_{4} \hat{h}+s_{5} \hat{k}+s_{6} \hat{j}, \\
B_{2}^{k} & =M_{1} \hat{a}+M_{2} \hat{d}+M_{3} \hat{e}+M_{4} \hat{f}+M_{5} \hat{l}+M_{6} \hat{i} . \tag{2.12}
\end{align*}
$$

By means of (2.12), it is easy to derive the expression of $B_{2}^{m}$ from (2.9)

$$
\begin{equation*}
B_{2}^{m}=q_{1 y} \hat{b}-q_{2 y} \hat{c}+q_{3 y} \hat{g}-q_{4 y} \hat{h}-q_{5 y} \hat{k}+q_{6 y} \hat{j} . \tag{2.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting $B_{2}^{k}$ of (2.12) and (2.13) into (2.10), we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
& M_{1}=\partial_{x}^{-1}\left(q_{1} q_{2 y}+q_{2} q_{1 y}-q_{3} q_{5 y}-q_{4} q_{6 y}+q_{5} q_{3 y}+q_{6} q_{4 y}\right), \\
& M_{2}=\partial_{x}^{-1}\left(-q_{3} q_{5 y}+q_{4} q_{6 y}+q_{5} q_{3 y}-q_{6} q_{4 y}\right), \\
& M_{3}=\partial_{x}^{-1}\left(2 q_{5} q_{6 y}-2 q_{6} q_{5 y}\right), \\
& M_{4}=\partial_{x}^{-1}\left(2 q_{3} q_{4 y}-2 q_{4} q_{3 y}\right), \\
& M_{5}=\partial_{x}^{-1}\left(q_{1} q_{5 y}-q_{2} q_{6 y}+q_{5} q_{1 y}-q_{6} q_{2 y}\right), \\
& M_{6}=\partial_{x}^{-1}\left(q_{1} q_{4 y}-q_{2} q_{3 y}-q_{3} q_{2 y}+q_{4} q_{1 y}\right) . \tag{2.14}
\end{align*}
$$

Thus we obtain the explicit expressions of $B_{2}^{m}$ and $B_{2}^{k}$. Substituting these expressions into (2.11), we obtain the following desired supersymmetric integrable evolution equations:

$$
\begin{align*}
& q_{1 t}=q_{1 x y}+q_{1} M_{1}-q_{3} M_{5}+q_{6} M_{6}, \\
& q_{2 t}=-q_{2 x y}-q_{2} M_{1}-q_{4} M_{5}+q_{5} M_{6}, \\
& q_{3 t}=q_{3 x y}-q_{1} M_{6}+q_{3} M_{1}-q_{3} M_{2}-q_{6} M_{4}, \\
& q_{4 t}=-q_{4 x y}-q_{2} M_{6}-q_{4} M_{1}-q_{4} M_{2}-q_{4} M_{2}-q_{5} M_{4}, \\
& q_{5 t}=-q_{5 x y}-q_{2} M_{5}-q_{4} M_{3}-q_{5} M_{1}+q_{5} M_{2}, \\
& q_{6 t}=q_{6 x y}-q_{1} M_{5}-q_{3} M_{3}+q_{6} M_{1}+q_{6} M_{2} . \tag{2.15}
\end{align*}
$$

## 3. Bäcklund transformation

In order to derive the Bäcklund transformation of (2.15), let us consider the first equation in (2.6). Suppose we have two sets of solution of the same nonlinear system given as $Q$ and $Q^{\prime}$,

$$
\begin{align*}
& T_{x}^{\prime}=\left(\lambda A+Q^{\prime}\right) T^{\prime} \\
& T_{x}=(\lambda A+Q) T \tag{3.1}
\end{align*}
$$

where $A=\hat{a}, Q=\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}0 & 0 & q_{1} & q_{3} & q_{6} \\ 0 & 0 & q_{2} & q_{4} & q_{5} \\ -q_{2} & -q_{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ q_{5} & q_{6} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -q_{4} & -q_{3} & 0 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right)$ and $Q^{\prime}=\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}0 & 0 & q_{1}^{\prime} & q_{3}^{\prime} & q_{6}^{\prime} \\ 0 & 0 & q_{2}^{\prime} & q_{4}^{\prime} & q_{5}^{\prime} \\ -q_{2}^{\prime} & -q_{1}^{\prime} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ q_{5}^{\prime} & q_{6}^{\prime} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -q_{4}^{\prime} & -q_{3}^{\prime} & 0 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right)$.
Let us take the transformation $T^{\prime}=D T$ with $D=\lambda D_{0}+D_{1}$. Substituting this transformation into (3.1), we obtain

$$
\begin{gather*}
D_{1}=A=\hat{a}  \tag{3.2}\\
{\left[A, D_{0}\right]+Q^{\prime} A-A Q=D_{1 x}} \tag{3.3}
\end{gather*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
D_{0 x}=Q^{\prime} D_{0}-D_{0} Q \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Substituting (3.2) into (3.3), we obtain the off-diagonal part of $D_{0}$

$$
D_{0}^{o f f}=\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
0 & 0 & q_{1} & q_{3} & q_{6}  \tag{3.5}\\
0 & 0 & q_{2} & q_{4} & q_{5} \\
-q_{2}^{\prime} & -q_{1}^{\prime} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
q_{5}^{\prime} & q_{6}^{\prime} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
-q_{4}^{\prime} & -q_{3}^{\prime} & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right)
$$

Note that the elements $D_{0}^{\text {diag }}$ can be given by the diagonal part of (3.4)

$$
D_{0}^{d i a g}=\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
\rho & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0  \tag{3.6}\\
0 & \tau & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \alpha & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & \beta & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \gamma
\end{array}\right)
$$

where $\alpha, \beta$ and $\gamma$ are constants, $\rho$ and $\tau$ are given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\rho=\partial_{x}^{-1}\left(q_{1} q_{2}-q_{1}^{\prime} q_{2}^{\prime}+q_{3}^{\prime} q_{5}^{\prime}-q_{3} q_{5}+q_{6} q_{4}-q_{6}^{\prime} q_{4}^{\prime}\right) \tag{3.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\tau=\partial_{x}^{-1}\left(q_{2} q_{1}-q_{2}^{\prime} q_{1}^{\prime}+q_{4}^{\prime} q_{6}^{\prime}-q_{4} q_{6}+q_{5} q_{3}-q_{5}^{\prime} q_{3}^{\prime}\right) \tag{3.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

respectively.

Substituting $D_{0}=D_{0}^{o f f}+D_{0}^{\text {diag }}$ into (3.4) and taking the off-diagonal parts, we obtain the following Bäcklund transformation:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(q_{1}\right)^{2}-\left(q_{1}^{\prime}\right)^{2}=2 q_{6}^{\prime} q_{3}^{\prime}-2 q_{6} q_{3},\left(q_{2}\right)^{2}-\left(q_{2}^{\prime}\right)^{2}=2 q_{5}^{\prime} q_{4}^{\prime}-2 q_{5} q_{4}, \\
& \alpha q_{1}^{\prime}-\rho q_{1}=q_{1 x}, \quad \beta q_{3}^{\prime}-\rho q_{3}=q_{3 x}, \quad \gamma q_{6}^{\prime}-\rho q_{6}=q_{6 x} \\
& \alpha q_{2}^{\prime}-\tau q_{2}=q_{2 x}, \quad \beta q_{4}^{\prime}-\tau q_{4}=q_{4 x}, \quad \gamma q_{5}^{\prime}-\tau q_{5}=q_{5 x} \\
& \rho q_{2}^{\prime}-\alpha q_{2}=q_{2 x}^{\prime}, \quad \tau q_{1}^{\prime}-\alpha q_{1}=q_{1 x}^{\prime}, \quad \rho q_{5}^{\prime}-\beta q_{5}=q_{5 x}^{\prime} \\
& \tau q_{6}^{\prime}-\beta q_{6}=q_{6 x}^{\prime}, \quad \rho q_{4}^{\prime}-\gamma q_{4}=q_{4 x}^{\prime}, \quad \tau q_{3}^{\prime}-\gamma q_{3}=q_{3 x}^{\prime} \tag{3.9}
\end{align*}
$$

## 4. Summary

The supersymmtric higher dimensional integrable systems have attracted interest from physical and mathematical points of view. In this paper, we investigated the super Lie algebra osp(3/2). By means of the approach of the homogenous space of the super Lie algebra $\operatorname{osp}(3 / 2)$, we constructed the supersymmetric integrable equation in $(2+1)$ dimensions. Moreover we also derived its Bäcklund transformation. Since the super Lie algebra $\operatorname{osp}(\mathrm{m} / 2 \mathrm{n})$ plays an important role in the integrable quantum field theories, as a future study, it should be interesting to find out the applications of this supersymmetric $(2+1)$ dimensional integrable equation.

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