# Quantum dynamics of a CP1 lump on the two-sphere

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 Do these corrections change the quantum dynamics qualitatively? E.g. H<sub>0</sub> may have only cts spectrum, H<sub>BO</sub> only discrete. Or H<sub>BO</sub> may have extra bound states. Or the degeneracies of energy levels may change. • Test using O(3) sigma model on S<sup>2</sup>

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#### The laplacian on Rat<sub>1</sub>

• Explicit differential operator on  $SO(3) \times \mathbb{R}^3$ 

$$\Delta f = -B_1 \left\{ \vec{\theta} \cdot \vec{\theta} f + \vec{\lambda} \cdot (\vec{\partial} \times \vec{\theta}) f - B_2 (\vec{\lambda} \cdot \vec{\theta})^2 f \right\}$$
$$-B_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \left( B_4 \frac{\partial f}{\partial \lambda} \right) - B_5 (\vec{\lambda} \times \vec{\partial}) \cdot (\vec{\lambda} \times \vec{\partial}) f$$

where  $\partial_a = \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_a}$ ,  $\theta_a =$  usual left-invariant vector fields on *SO*(3),  $B_i(\lambda)$  explicitly known

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- Does **not** preserve *I*, *I*<sub>3</sub> or *j*<sub>3</sub>. Standard angular momentum algebra: there exists a basis  $|t, j, I, t_3\rangle$  for the space

$$\mathscr{V}_{jt} = \bigoplus_{j_3 = -j}^{j} \bigoplus_{l=|j-t|}^{|j+t|} \bigoplus_{l_3 = -l}^{l} \pi_{j_3 0}^{(j)} Y_{ll_3}$$

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$$|t,j,l,0\rangle$$
  $|j-t| \le l \le j+t$ 

 Boundary conditions at λ = 0, λ = ∞: standard SL classification applies. Worst case: LCN

• Spectrum of  $H_0 = \frac{1}{2}\Delta$  computed numerically

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3.91	25	{ <b>2</b> , <b>2</b> } <sup>-</sup>
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# Comparison of spectra

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2.76	10	{0,2}+	4.68*	9	$\{1,1\}^+$	3.51*	9	{1,1}+
3.05	9	{1,1}+	4.84*	10	{0,2}+	3.76*	10	{0,2}+
3.18	30	{1,2}+	5.07	30	$\{1,2\}^+$	3.95	30	{1,2}+
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5.11	14	{0,3}-	7.01*	30	{1,2}-	5.91*	30	{1,2}-
5.33	30	{1,2}-	7.30*	14	{0,3}-	6.22*	14	{0,3} <sup>-</sup>
5.42	25	{2,2}-	7.44	25	$\{2,2\}^{-}$	6.24	25	$\{2,2\}^{-}$
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