

# Ricci Magnetic Geodesic Motion of Vortices and Lumps

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$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left( D_\mu \varphi \overline{D^\mu \varphi} - \frac{1}{2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} (|\varphi|^2 - 1)^2 \right)$$

- Finite total energy  $\implies |\varphi| \rightarrow 1, D\varphi \rightarrow 0$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ .
- At large  $r$ ,  $\varphi \sim e^{i\chi(\theta)}$ ,  $A \sim -i\varphi^{-1}d\varphi \sim d\chi$
- Flux quantization:  $B = F_{12}$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} B = \oint_{S_\infty^1} A = \chi(2\pi) - \chi(0) = 2\pi n.$$

- $n$  = number of zeroes of  $\varphi$  (with multiplicity). Energy peaks.

# Bogomol'nyi argument

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |D_i \varphi|^2 + F_{12}^2 + \frac{1}{4}(1 - |\varphi|^2)$$

- For a **static** field ( $\partial_0 = 0$ ,  $A_0 = 0$ ) with winding  $n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |D_1 \varphi + iD_2 \varphi|^2 + (B - \frac{1}{2}(1 - |\varphi|^2))^2 \\ &= E - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} B + i(\partial_1(\bar{\varphi} D_2 \varphi) - \partial_2(\bar{\varphi} D_1 \varphi)) \\ &= E - \pi n \end{aligned}$$

- So  $E \geq \pi n$ , with equality iff

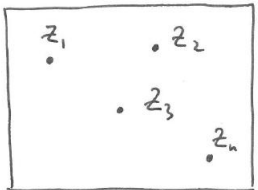
$$(BOG1) \quad D_1 \varphi + iD_2 \varphi = 0$$

$$(BOG2) \quad B = \frac{1}{2}(1 - |\varphi|^2)$$

# Taubes's existence theorem

- Given any collection of points  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n$  in  $\mathbb{C} \equiv \mathbb{R}^2$  there is a unique (up to gauge)  $n$ -vortex solution of the Bogomol'nyi equations with  $\varphi = 0$  precisely at  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n$ . Roughly,  $Z_r =$  vortex positions.

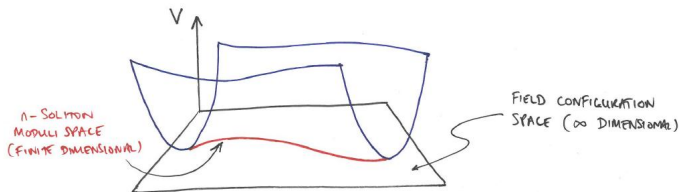
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$\leftrightarrow p(z) = (z - z_1) \cdots (z - z_n)$   
 $= z^n + p_1 z^{n-1} + \cdots + p_n$

- Moduli space of  $n$ -vortices:  $M_n \equiv \mathbb{C}^n$
- Global coords  $p_1, \dots, p_n$
- Local coords  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n$  on  $M_n \setminus \Delta$

# Geodesic approximation



- **Restrict** dynamics to  $M_n$

$$S = \int (T - V) dt = \int (T - \pi n) dt$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |\partial_0 \varphi|^2 + (\partial_0 A_1)^2 + (\partial_0 A_2)^2$$

- Geodesic motion w.r.t. metric induced on  $M_n$  by  $T$ . Denote this metric  $\gamma$ , the  $L^2$  metric

# Strachan-Samols formula for the metric

- Expand  $\log |\varphi|^2$  in a neighbourhood of  $Z_r$

$$\log |\varphi|^2 = 2 \log |z - Z_r| + a_r + \frac{1}{2} b_r (z - Z_r) + \frac{1}{2} \bar{b}_r (\bar{z} - \bar{Z}_r) + \dots$$

Defines coefficients  $b_r(Z_1, \dots, Z_n)$ ,  $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$

- Metric: 
$$\gamma = \pi \sum_{r,s=1}^n \left( \delta_{rs} + 2 \frac{\partial \bar{b}_s}{\partial Z_r} \right) dZ_r d\bar{Z}_s$$
- Hermitian, since  $T$  real: 
$$\frac{\partial \bar{b}_s}{\partial Z_r} = \frac{\partial b_r}{\partial \bar{Z}_s} \quad (KC)$$
- Kähler form

$$\omega = \frac{i\pi}{2} \sum_{r,s=1}^n \left( \delta_{rs} + 2 \frac{\partial \bar{b}_s}{\partial Z_r} \right) dZ_r \wedge d\bar{Z}_s$$

Closed by (KC).  $M_n$  is a Kähler manifold.

$M_2^\circ$ 

$$M_2 \cong \mathbb{C}_{\text{com}} \times M_2^\circ$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left( D_\mu \varphi \overline{D^\mu \varphi} - \frac{1}{2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \kappa \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} A_\mu \partial_\nu A_\rho + \partial_\mu N \partial^\mu N \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{4} (|\varphi|^2 - 1 - 2\kappa N)^2 + |\varphi|^2 N^2 \right)$$

- Finite energy:  $|\varphi| \rightarrow 1$ ,  $N \rightarrow 0$ , [or  $\varphi \rightarrow 0$ ,  $N \rightarrow -(2\kappa)^{-1}$ ] as  $r \rightarrow \infty$
- Flux quantization unchanged
- $\kappa = 0$ : usual AHM embeds with  $N = 0$



# Bogomol'nyi argument (Lee-Lee-Min)

- Consider all **stationary** fields ( $\partial_0\varphi = \partial_0 A_\mu = 0$ ) satisfying Gauss's law (E-L eqn from varying  $A_0$ )

$$\nabla^2 A_0 - |\varphi|^2 A_0 - \kappa B = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} | -iA_0\varphi|^2 + \overline{D_i\varphi} D_i\varphi + \partial_i A_0 \partial_i A_0 + B^2 + V(\varphi, N) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left( |(D_1 + iD_2)\varphi|^2 + \left( B + \frac{1}{2}(|\varphi|^2 - 1 - 2\kappa N) \right)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + |\varphi|^2 (A_0 - N)^2 - 2N(\nabla^2 A_0 - |\varphi|^2 A_0 - \kappa B) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (\nabla A_0 - \nabla N)^2 + B \right) d^2\mathbf{x} \\ &\geq \pi n \quad \text{with equality iff} \end{aligned}$$

$$(D_1 + iD_2)\varphi = 0 \quad B + \frac{1}{2}(|\varphi|^2 - 1 - 2\kappa N) = 0 \quad A_0 = N$$

- Formal index theorem argument suggests  $M_n \equiv \mathbb{C}^n$  again (Lee-Min-Rim)

# Kim-Lee approximation (small $\kappa$ , speed)

- Curve  $\alpha(t)$  in  $M_n \equiv M_n|_{\kappa=0}$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \gamma_{L^2}(\dot{\alpha}, \dot{\alpha}) + \mathcal{A}_1(\dot{\alpha}) + \mathcal{A}_2(\dot{\alpha}) + O(\kappa^3, \kappa^2 v, \kappa v^2, v^3)$$

$$\mathcal{A}_1 = i \frac{\pi \kappa}{2} \sum_r (b_r dz_r - \bar{b}_r d\bar{z}_r)$$

$$\mathcal{A}_2 = i \frac{\pi \kappa}{8} \sum_r (H_r dz_r - \bar{H}_r d\bar{z}_r)$$

$$H_r = -b_r + \sum_{s \neq r} \left\{ (z_r - z_s) \frac{\partial b_r}{\partial z_s} + (\bar{z}_r - \bar{z}_s) \frac{\partial b_r}{\partial \bar{z}_s} \right\}.$$

- **Magnetic** geodesic motion on  $M_n$ ,  $\mathcal{B} = d(\mathcal{A}_1 + \mathcal{A}_2)$
- Collie and Tong's (amazing) claim:  $\mathcal{B} = \kappa \rho!$   
(Recall:  $\rho(X, Y) = Ric(JX, Y)$ , a closed two-form on any Kähler mfd)
- Argument is extremely indirect.

# Kim-Lee flow on $M_2$ is ill-defined!

- COM/relative coords

$$Z = \frac{1}{2}(z_1 + z_2), \quad \zeta = \sigma e^{i\theta} = \frac{1}{2}(z_1 - z_2)/2$$

- Translation/reflexion symmetry  $\implies$

$$b_1(\zeta) = b(\sigma)e^{-i\theta} = -b_2(\zeta), \quad b \text{ real}$$

- $\mathcal{B} = f(\sigma)d\sigma \wedge \sigma d\theta$  where

$$f(\sigma) = \frac{\pi\kappa}{\sigma} \frac{d}{d\sigma} \left( -2\sigma b(\sigma) + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 b'(\sigma) \right)$$

Defines  $\mathcal{B}$  on all  $M_2$  except coincidence set,  $\sigma = 0$

# Kim-Lee flow on $M_2$ is ill-defined!

- Small  $\sigma$  asymptotics:

$$\begin{aligned} b(\sigma) &= \frac{1}{\sigma} - \frac{1}{2}\sigma + O(\sigma^2) \\ \implies f(\sigma) &= \frac{3}{2}\pi\kappa + O(\sigma^2) \end{aligned}$$

- But  $\zeta = \sigma e^{i\theta}$  is not a global coordinate on  $M_2$  (since  $\zeta \equiv -\zeta$ ).

$$p(z) = (z - z_1)(z - z_2) = z^2 - 2Zz + (Z^2 - \zeta^2)z$$

so good global coords are  $Z, w$  where  $w = \zeta^2$ .

- $\mathcal{B} = \frac{3}{2}\pi\kappa \left( \frac{1}{|w|} + O(1) \right) \frac{i}{8} dw \wedge d\bar{w}$
- $\mathcal{B}$  blows up on  $\Delta \subset M_2$ .
- $\mathcal{B} \neq \kappa\rho$

- Kim-Lee flow on  $M_n$  is **not** RMG flow
- In fact, it's not a globally well-defined flow at all (undefined when vortices coincide)
- RMG flow certainly is globally defined, so maybe Collie-Tong are right (despite being “wrong”...)?
- RMG flow makes sense on any Kähler manifold

$$\nabla_{d/dt}^{\alpha} \dot{\alpha} = \kappa \# \iota_{\dot{\alpha}} \rho$$

- Obvious properties:
  - reduces to geodesic flow when  $\kappa = 0$
  - conserves speed  $\|\dot{\alpha}(t)\|^2 = \gamma(\dot{\alpha}, \dot{\alpha})$
  - $\alpha(t)$  is  $\text{RMG}_{\kappa}$  iff  $\alpha(ct)$  is  $\text{RMG}_{c\kappa}$
  - can assume  $\kappa = 1$ , or  $\|\dot{\alpha}\| = 1$
- On a **surface**,  $\rho = K\omega$ 
  - so  $\alpha$  is  $\text{RMG}_{\kappa}$  iff it has constant speed and

$$\text{signed curvature} = \left\langle \frac{\nabla_{d/dt} \dot{\alpha}}{\|\dot{\alpha}\|^2}, J \frac{\dot{\alpha}}{\|\dot{\alpha}\|} \right\rangle = \frac{\kappa}{\|\dot{\alpha}\|} K$$

$$\nabla_{d/dt}^\alpha \dot{\alpha} = \kappa \# \iota_{\dot{\alpha}} \rho$$

- RMG curves are **not** preserved by time reversal, or by general isometries
- RMG curves **are** preserved by **holomorphic** local isometries
- **Corollary:** Let  $G$  be a group of holomorphic isometries of  $M$  and  $M^G$  be its fixed point set. General nonsense implies  $M^G$  is a complex submanifold of  $M$ . Then any RMG curve in  $M$  with initial data tangent to  $M^G$  remains on  $M^G$  for all time.
- **Warning!**  $M^G$  is itself a Kähler mfd (w.r.t  $\iota^* \gamma$ ) so has its own RMG flow. These two RMG flows (extrinsic and intrinsic) do **not** coincide in general!

- Metric on  $M_n$  not known for vortices on  $\mathbb{R}^2$
- Nice fact: Bogomol'nyi eqns are integrable if we put the model on  $\mathbb{H}^2$

$$\mathbb{H}^2 = \{x + iy \in \mathbb{C} : y > 0\}, \quad g = \frac{8}{y^2} (dx^2 + dy^2)$$

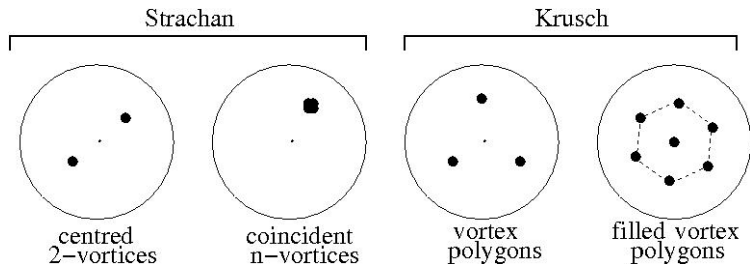
$$\mathbb{H}^2 = \{x + iy \in \mathbb{C} : |x + iy| < 1\}, \quad g = \frac{8(dx^2 + dy^2)}{(1 - x^2 - y^2)^2}$$

- Allows one (in principle) to compute metric on  $M_n$  exactly



# Hyperbolic vortices

- In practice, only metric on certain 2-dim submanifolds of  $M_n$  known exactly



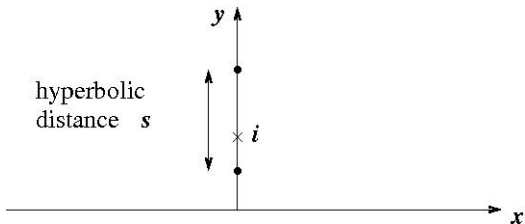
$$\gamma_n^{\text{co}} = \frac{\pi n(n+2)}{2} g_{\mathbb{H}^2}$$
$$\gamma_{n,n-1}^{\text{poly}} = \frac{3}{2} \pi n g_{\mathbb{H}^2}$$

# Metric on $M_2 = (\mathbb{H}^2 \times \mathbb{H}^2)/S_2$

- $G = PL(2, \mathbb{R})$  acts isometrically on  $\mathbb{H}^2$ , hence on  $M_2$

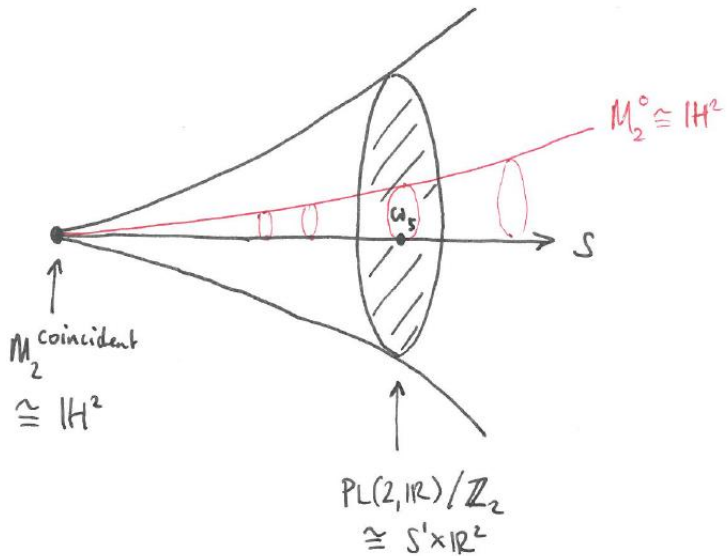
$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} : z \mapsto \frac{az + b}{cz + d}$$

- Every  $G$  orbit contains a unique point  $w_s = [(ie^{s/2}, ie^{-s/2})]$ ,  $s \geq 0$



- Generic isotropy group  $K = \{\mathbb{I}_2, Q\}$ ,  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

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- $\gamma$  determined by its values on  $V_s = T_{w_s}M_2 = \langle \partial/\partial s \rangle \oplus \mathfrak{g}$
- $\mathfrak{g}$  = traceless real  $2 \times 2$  matrices, basis

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Most general  $Ad(K)$  invariant inner product on  $V_s$

$$\gamma_s = A_1(s)ds^2 + A_2(s)\sigma_1^2 + A_3(s)\sigma_2^2 + A_4(s)\sigma_3^2 + A_5(s)ds\sigma_2 + A_6(s)\sigma_1\sigma_3$$

where  $\sigma_i$  = left-invariant one forms dual to  $e_i$

- Almost complex structure

$$Je_1 = \cosh(s/2)e_3, \quad Je_2 = -4 \sinh(s/2) \frac{\partial}{\partial s}$$

- $\gamma(JX, JY) = \gamma(X, Y) \implies$

$$A_3 \equiv 16 \sinh^2(s/2)A_1, \quad A_4 \equiv \frac{A_2}{\cosh^2(s/2)}, \quad A_5 \equiv A_6 \equiv 0$$

# Metric on $M_2 = (\mathbb{H}^2 \times \mathbb{H}^2)/S_2$

- Kähler form  $\omega(X, Y) = \gamma(JX, Y)$

$$\omega = 4 \sinh(s/2) A_1 ds \wedge \sigma_2 + \frac{A_2}{\cosh(s/2)} \sigma_1 \wedge \sigma_3$$

- $d\omega = 0 \implies \frac{d}{ds} \left( \frac{A_2}{\cosh(s/2)} \right) - 8 \sinh(s/2) A_1 = 0$
- **Proposition:** let  $\gamma$  be a  $G$ -invariant Kähler metric on  $M_2$ . Then, for some function  $A_2(s) > 0$ ,

$$\gamma = A_1 ds^2 + A_2 \sigma_1^2 + A_3 \sigma_2^2 + A_4 \sigma_3^2$$

where

$$A_1 = \frac{1}{8 \sinh(s/2)} \frac{d}{ds} \left( \frac{A_2(s)}{\cosh(s/2)} \right)$$

$$A_3 = 2 \sinh(s/2) \frac{d}{ds} \left( \frac{A_2(s)}{\cosh(s/2)} \right)$$

$$A_4 = \frac{A(s)}{\cosh^2(s/2)}$$

- Strachan's formula for  $\gamma$  on  $M_2^0$  determines  $A_0$ , hence  $A_2$  up to an integration constant
- Regularity at  $s = 0$  determines the constant

$$\frac{A_2(s)}{8\pi} = \cosh^2(s/2) + 1 + 2 \sinh^2(s/2) \sqrt{\frac{\cosh^2(s/2)}{\sinh^4(s/2)} + 1}$$

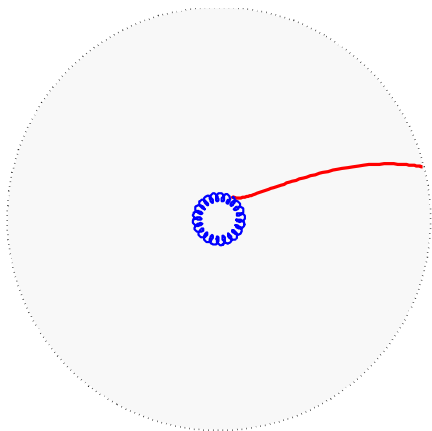
- Ricci form easy to compute (obeys same structure lemma as Kähler form)
- Consider the holomorphic isometry  
 $Q : [(z_1, z_2)] \mapsto [(-1/z_2, -1/z_1)]$
- Fixed point set:  $M_2^0 = \{[(\xi, -1/\xi)] : \xi \in \mathbb{H}^2\}$
- RMG curves initially tangent to  $M_2^0$  stay on  $M_2^0$  for all time.  
 Two RMG flows

$$\text{Extrinsic: } \mathcal{B} = \kappa \rho | \quad \sim \quad -\kappa e^{s/2} ds \wedge \sigma_2$$

$$\text{Intrinsic: } \mathcal{B} = \kappa K(s) \omega | \quad \sim \quad -\frac{\kappa}{2} e^{s/2} ds \wedge \sigma_2$$

Compare flows with  $\kappa_{intrinsic} = 2\kappa_{extrinsic}$

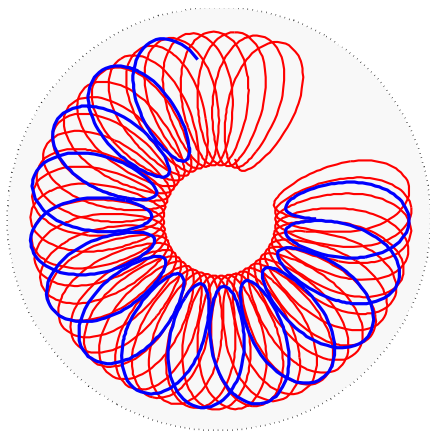
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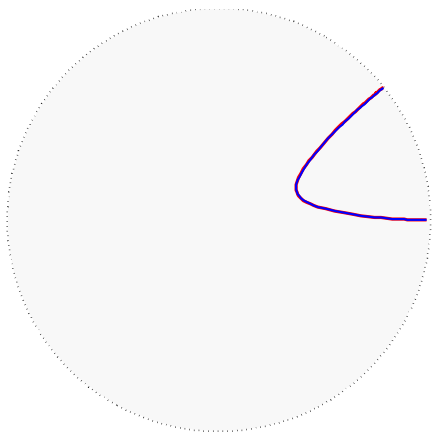


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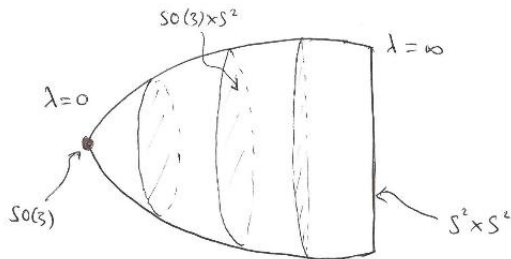
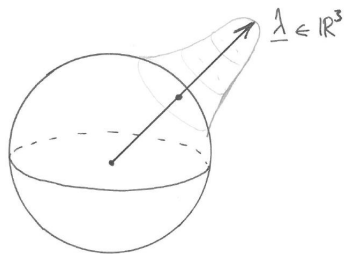
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# Completeness of RMG flow

- RMG flow constant speed:  $M$  geodesically complete implies  $M$  RMG complete
- Converse?
- $\alpha(t)$  is  $\text{RMG}_{\kappa/c}$  iff  $\alpha(ct)$  is  $\text{RMG}_{\kappa}$
- Speed  $\rightarrow \infty$  limit equivalent to  $\kappa \rightarrow 0$  (geodesic) limit
- Naively suggests converse true
- Actually, it's FALSE!

# Moduli space of charge 1 $O(3)$ sigma model lumps on $S^2$

- $M_1 = \text{Rat}_1 = \left\{ \frac{az+b}{cz+d} \mid ad - bc \neq 0 \right\} \cong SO(3) \times \mathbb{R}^3$



- Kähler, invariant under  $G = SO(3) \times SO(3)$
- Geodesically incomplete.

- $G$ -invariance  $\implies$  RMG flow conserves 6 angular momenta,  $K_j, l_j$
- Also conserves energy  $\|\dot{\alpha}\|^2$
- Define  $q : T\text{Rat}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^7$ ,  $q(\dot{\alpha}) = (\|\dot{\alpha}\|^2, \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{l})$
- Every RMG curve confined to a level set of  $q$
- **Theorem:** every level set of  $q$  is compact!
- **Corollary:** RMG flow on  $\text{Rat}_1$  is complete

- RMG flow on  $M_n(\mathbb{R}^2)$  proposed by Collie-Tong as low energy model of CS-Maxwell vortex dynamics
- Claimed it coincides with Kim-Lee flow
- **FALSE!** In fact Kim-Lee flow ill-defined on  $\Delta \subset M_n$
- Intrinsic RMG flow on surfaces of revolution in  $M_n(\mathbb{H}^2)$  studied by Krusch-JMS
- Claimed it coincides with extrinsic RMG flow
- **FALSE!** In fact they're qualitatively different
- Krusch-JMS conjectured that geodesic incompleteness implies RMG incompleteness
- **FALSE!** E.g.  $(\text{Rat}_1, \gamma_{L^2})$  is incomplete but RMG complete

# Summary: open questions

- Does RMG flow really model CSM vortex dynamics?
  - numerics?
  - point vortex model (large separation)?
- When does RMG completeness imply geodesic (equiv. metric) completeness?
  - Uniformly bounded  $\rho$ ?
  - Surfaces of bounded Gauss curvature?
- Quantization?
  - $\rho =$  curvature of canonical bundle. Suggests  $\psi$  a section thereof, and  $H = \frac{1}{2}\Delta^\nabla$
  - What about  $\kappa$ ? Quantized on compact  $M$ ?