# Coupled discrete solitonic equations and the periodic reduction

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#### Introduction

- Completely integrable 2D-lattices → periodic reduction → coupled completely integrable systems with branched dispersion [1], [2].
- Using the periodic reduction on a 2D-lattice for which the multi-solitons are known, one can easily construct the multi-solitons for the corresponding coupled systems.
- We are discussing a generalisation of the additive Bogoyavlensky equation (aB) to the multicomponent (matrix) case. The aB is an integrable semidiscrete generalized Volterra type equation [3]; a particular case - Lotka-Volterra [4], [5].
- The Hirota bilinear formalism  $\rightarrow$  complete integrability [6].

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#### The coupled semidiscrete aB system

The **coupled semidiscrete additive Bogoyavlensky system** with branched dispersion has the form:

$$\frac{d}{dt}Q_{n}(t) = Q_{n}\left(E_{\sigma_{1}}\sum_{j=1}^{N}Q_{n+j}(t)E_{\sigma_{2}} - E_{\sigma_{2}}\sum_{j=1}^{N}Q_{n-j}(t)E_{\sigma_{1}}\right), \quad (1)$$

where  $Q_n(t) = Q(n, t)$  is a diagonal matrix of complex functions  $u_{\nu}(n, t)$ ,  $\nu = \overline{1, M}$ :

$$Q_n(t) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1(n,t) & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & u_2(n,t) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & u_3(n,t) & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & u_M(n,t) \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $E_{\sigma_1}$  and  $E_{\sigma_2}$  are permutation matrices corresponding to the following permutations:

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & M \\ 2 & 3 & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \cdots & M \\ M & 1 & 2 & \cdots & M-1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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#### The coupled semidiscrete Lotka-Volterra system

For any M and N = 1, on the components, system (1) becomes **coupled semidiscrete Lotka-Volterra system** [4], [5] and has the following expression:

$$\dot{u}_{1} = u_{1}(\overline{u_{2}} - \underline{u}_{M})$$

$$\dot{u}_{2} = u_{2}(\overline{u_{3}} - \underline{u_{1}})$$

$$\dots$$

$$\dot{u}_{M-1} = u_{M-1}(\overline{u_{M}} - \underline{u}_{M-2})$$

$$\dot{u}_{M} = u_{M}(\overline{u_{1}} - \underline{u}_{M-1})$$
(2)

where:

$$u_{\nu}=u_{\nu}(n,t), \quad \overline{u_{\nu}}=u_{\nu}(n+1,t), \quad \underline{u_{\nu}}=u_{\nu}(n-1,t), \quad 
u=\overline{1,M}.$$

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#### The Hirota bilinear form for coupled Lotka-Volterra

Starting from the coupled semidiscrete Lotka-Volterra sysytem (2) with any M coupled equations, and using the nonlinear substitution:

$$u_{\nu}(n,t) = 1 + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \ln \frac{F_{\nu+1}}{F_{\nu}}, \quad \nu = \overline{1,M}$$
(3)

where:

$$F_{\nu} = F_{\nu}(n,t), \quad \overline{F_{\nu}} = F_{\nu}(n+1,t),$$

$$\frac{(2)}{F_{\nu}} = F_{\nu}(n+2,t), \quad \underline{F_{\nu}} = F_{\nu}(n-2,t).$$

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#### The Hirota bilinear form for coupled Lotka-Volterra

we cast (2), which can be written in a compact manner as:

$$\dot{u}_{\nu} = u_1(\overline{u_{\nu+1}} - \underline{u_{\nu+M-1}}), \quad \nu = \overline{1, M}$$
(4)

into the Hirota bilinear form:

$$\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{t}}\overline{F_{\nu+1}}\cdot F_{\nu} + \overline{F_{\nu+1}}F_{\nu} = \overline{F_{\nu+2}} \underline{F_{\nu+M-1}}, \qquad (5)$$

 $F_{\nu}(n,t)$  - complex function,  $D_t$  - the Hirota bilinear operator [6]:

$$D_t^n a(t) \cdot b(t) = (\partial_t - \partial_{t'})^n a(t) b(t')|_{t=t'}.$$
(6)

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#### The 1-soliton solutions for coupled Lotka-Volterra

Ansatz for 1-ss:

$$F_{\nu} = 1 + \epsilon_1^{\nu - 1} e^{\eta_1}, \quad \nu = \overline{1, M}, \tag{7}$$

where:

$$\eta_1 = k_1 n + \omega_1 t + \eta_1^{(0)}$$

( $k_1$  - wave number,  $\omega_1$  - angular frequency,  $\eta_1^{(0)}$  - arbitrary phase) with M possible branches of dispersion for the soliton:

$$\omega_1(k_1) = 2\left[\frac{\epsilon_1^2 + 1}{2\epsilon_1} \sinh k_1 + \frac{\epsilon_1^2 - 1}{2\epsilon_1} \cosh k_1\right], \ \epsilon_1 \in \left\{e^{l\frac{2\pi i}{M}}\right\}, l = \overline{1, M}.$$

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#### The 2-soliton solutions for coupled Lotka-Volterra

The 2-ss:

$$F_{\nu} = 1 + \epsilon_1^{\nu-1} e^{\eta_1} + \epsilon_2^{\nu-1} e^{\eta_2} + \epsilon_1^{\nu-1} \epsilon_2^{\nu-1} e^{\eta_1+\eta_2+A_{12}}, \quad \nu = \overline{1, M}$$
(8)

where:

$$\eta_j = k_j n + \omega_j t + \eta_j^{(0)}, \quad j = \overline{1, 2}$$

the interaction phase:

$$e^{\mathcal{A}12} = \frac{(e^{k_2}\epsilon_2 - e^{k_1}\epsilon_1)[e^{k_1}\epsilon_1(1 + e^{k_1}\epsilon_1(1 + e^{k_2}\epsilon_2)) - e^{k_2}\epsilon_2(1 + e^{k_2}\epsilon_2(1 + e^{k_1}\epsilon_1))]}{(e^{k_1}\epsilon_1 - 1)(e^{k_2}\epsilon_2 - 1)(e^{k_1 + k_2}\epsilon_1\epsilon_2 - 1)^2}$$

with M possible branches of dispersion for each of the 2 solitons:

$$\omega_j(k_j) = 2\left[\frac{\epsilon_j^2 + 1}{2\epsilon_j}\sinh k_j + \frac{\epsilon_j^2 - 1}{2\epsilon_j}\cosh k_j\right], \epsilon_j \in \left\{e^{I\frac{2\pi i}{M}}\right\}, I = \overline{1, M}, j = \overline{1, 2}.$$

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#### The multi-soliton solutions for coupled Lotka-Volterra

The N-soliton solution for (2) has the expressions for  $F_{\nu}$ , ( $\nu = 1, ..., M$ ):

$$F_{\nu}(n,t) = \sum_{\mu_1,\dots,\mu_{\mathcal{N}}=\{0,1\}} \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\mathcal{N}} \mu_i [\eta_i + (\nu-1)\ln(\epsilon_i)] + \sum_{1 \le i < j}^{\mathcal{N}} \mu_i \mu_j A_{ij}\right), \quad (9)$$

where  $\eta_j = k_j n + \omega_j t + \eta_j^{(0)}$ ,  $j = \overline{1, N}$ , and the interaction term has teh form:

$$e^{A_{ij}} = \frac{(e^{k_j}\epsilon_j - e^{k_i}\epsilon_i)[e^{k_i}\epsilon_i(1 + e^{k_i}\epsilon_i(1 + e^{k_j}\epsilon_j)) - e^{k_j}\epsilon_j(1 + e^{k_j}\epsilon_j(1 + e^{k_i}\epsilon_i))]}{(e^{k_i}\epsilon_i - 1)(e^{k_i}\epsilon_j - 1)(e^{k_i+k_j}\epsilon_i\epsilon_j - 1)^2}$$

with the *M* branches of dispersion for each of the N solitons ( $k_j$  is the wave number of the *j*-soliton):

$$\omega_j(k_j)=2\left[\frac{\epsilon_j^2+1}{2\epsilon_j}\sinh k_j+\frac{\epsilon_j^2-1}{2\epsilon_j}\cosh k_j\right],\ \epsilon_j\in\left\{e^{l\frac{2\pi i}{M}}\right\}, l=\overline{1,M}, j=\overline{1,N}.$$

The branches of dispersion are labelled by the index *I*. The parameter  $\epsilon_j$  which characterizes the *j*-soliton ( $j = \overline{1, N}$ ) can have *M* values, the order *M* roots of unity.

#### The semidiscrete aB 2D-lattice

In order to solve the coupled semidiscrete aB system (1):

$$\frac{d}{dt}Q_n(t) = Q_n(t)\left(E_{\sigma_1}\sum_{j=1}^N Q_{n+j}(t)E_{\sigma_2} - E_{\sigma_2}\sum_{j=1}^N Q_{n-j}(t)E_{\sigma_1}\right),$$

one could start from the completely integrable **semidiscrete aB 2D-lattice** (in two discrete dimensions):

$$\frac{d}{dt}Q_{n,m}(t) = Q_{n,m}(t) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N} Q_{n+j,m+j}(t) - \sum_{j=1}^{N} Q_{n-j,m-j}(t)\right)$$
(10)

Considering Q(n, m, t) to be a periodic function only with respect to m and imposing periodic reduction on such coordinate in the 2D-lattice, one could obtain *coupled systems* of aB equations.

#### The periodic 2-reduction on aB 2D-lattice

Now lets consider the periodic 2-reduction on the *m* direction (meaning that  $Q_{n,m}(t) = Q(n, m, t)$  is a periodic function only with respect to *m* and the period is 2). We omit writing the *t* dependency for simplicity. This means that:

$$Q(n,m) \equiv u_1(n), \ Q(n,m+1) \equiv u_2(n),$$

$$Q(n, m+2) \equiv u_1(n), \ Q(n, m-1) \equiv u_2(n),$$

Introducing this reduction in (10) and denoting:

$$u_1(n+1) = \overline{u_1}, \quad u_1(n+2) = \frac{(2)}{u_1}, \quad u_1(n+N) = \frac{(N)}{u_1}$$
$$u_1(n-1) = \underline{u_1}, \quad u_1(n-2) = \underline{u_2}, \quad u_1(n-N) = \underline{u_1}$$

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#### The periodic 2-reduction on aB 2D-lattice

we get precisely (for even N):

$$\dot{u}_1 = u_1 \left( \overline{u_2} + \frac{(2)}{u_1} + \dots + \frac{(N-1)}{u_2} + \frac{(N)}{u_1} - \underline{u_2} - \underline{u_1} - \dots - \underline{u_2}_{(N-1)} + \underline{u_1}_{(N)} \right) \dot{u}_2 = u_2 \left( \overline{u_1} + \frac{(2)}{u_2} + \dots + \frac{(N-1)}{u_1} + \frac{(N)}{u_2} - \underline{u_1} - \underline{u_2}_{(2)} - \dots - \underline{u_1}_{(N-1)} + \underline{u_2}_{(2)} \right).$$

For N = 1 we obtain coupled Lotka-Volterra system:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{u}_1 &= u_1 \left( \overline{u_2} - \underline{u_2} \right) \\ \dot{u}_2 &= u_2 \left( \overline{u_1} - \underline{u_1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

#### The periodic 3-reduction on aB 2D-lattice

In the same way, if we impose periodic-3 reduction:

$$Q(n,m) \equiv u_1(n), \ Q(n,m+1) \equiv u_2(n), \ Q(n,m+2) \equiv u_3(n),$$
  
 $Q(n,m+3) \equiv u_1(n), \ Q(n,m-1) \equiv u_3(n),$ 

we get the system with the following three coupled equations (for N multiple of three):

$$\dot{u}_1 = u_1 \left( \overline{u_2} + \frac{(2)}{u_3} + \frac{(3)}{u_1} + \dots + \frac{(N)}{u_1} - \underline{u_3} - \underline{u_2} - \underline{u_1} - \dots - \underline{u_1}_{(N)} \right)$$

$$\dot{u}_2 = u_2 \left( \overline{u_3} + \frac{(2)}{u_1} + \frac{(3)}{u_2} + \dots + \frac{(N)}{u_2} - \underline{u_1} - \underline{u_3} - \underline{u_2}_{(2)} - \dots - \underline{u_2}_{(N)} \right)$$

$$\dot{u}_3 = u_3 \left( \overline{u_1} + \frac{(2)}{u_2} + \frac{(3)}{u_3} + \dots + \frac{(N)}{u_3} - \underline{u_2} - \underline{u_1} - \underline{u_3}_{(2)} - \dots - \underline{u_3}_{(N)} \right)$$

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#### The periodic *M*-reduction on aB 2D-lattice

The coupled aB system comes out from the aB 2D-lattice equation (10) for any *N*, choosing a periodic *M*-reduction on *m*.

$$\dot{u}_{1} = u_{1} \left( \overline{u_{2}} + \frac{(2)}{u_{3}} + ... + \frac{(N)}{u_{N+1}} - \underline{u_{M}} - \underline{u_{M-1}}_{(2)} - ... - \underline{u_{M-N+1}}_{(N)} \right)$$

$$\dot{u}_{2} = u_{2} \left( \overline{u_{3}} + \frac{(2)}{u_{4}} + ... + \frac{(N)}{u_{N+2}} - \underline{u_{1}} - \underline{u_{M}}_{(2)} - ... - \underline{u_{M-N+2}}_{(N)} \right)$$

$$\dots = \dots$$

$$\dot{u}_{M-1} = u_{M-1} \left( \overline{u_{M}} + \frac{(2)}{u_{1}} + ... + \frac{(N)}{u_{M+N-1}} - \underline{u_{M-2}}_{(2)} - \frac{u_{M-3}}{(2)} - ... - \underline{u_{M-N-1}}_{(N)} \right)$$

$$\dot{u}_{M} = u_{M} \left( \overline{u_{1}} + \frac{(2)}{u_{2}} + ... + \frac{(N)}{u_{M+N}} - \underline{u_{M-1}}_{(2)} - \frac{u_{M-2}}{(2)} - ... - \underline{u_{M-N}}_{(N)} \right)$$

$$\dot{u}_{M} = u_{M} \left( \overline{u_{1}} + \frac{(2)}{u_{2}} + ... + \frac{(N)}{u_{M+N}} - \underline{u_{M-1}}_{(2)} - \frac{u_{M-2}}{(2)} - ... - \underline{u_{M-N}}_{(N)} \right)$$

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#### The Hirota bilinear form for aB 2D-lattice

Using the substitution (in this notation, m is not exponent):

$$Q_{n,m}(t) = 1 + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \log \frac{F_{n+1}^{m+1}}{F_n^m}$$
(13)

we cast the aB 2D-lattice, (10):

$$rac{d}{dt}Q_{n,m}(t)=Q_{n,m}(t)\left(\sum_{j=1}^NQ_{n+j,m+j}(t)-\sum_{j=1}^NQ_{n-j,m-j}(t)
ight)$$

into the Hirota bilinear form:

$$\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{t}}F_{n+1}^{m+1} \cdot F_{n}^{m} + F_{n+1}^{m+1}F_{n}^{m} = F_{n+1+N}^{m+1+N}F_{n-N}^{m-N},$$
(14)

where  $F_n^m$  is a complex function,  $D_t$  is the Hirota bilinear operator.

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#### The multi-soliton solutions for aB 2D-lattice

The 1-soliton solution is:

$$u_n^m = 1 + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \log \frac{F_{n+1}^{m+1}}{F_n^m} = 1 + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \log \frac{1 + e^{k_1(n+1) + p_1(m+1) + \omega_1 t + \eta_1^{(0)}}}{1 + e^{k_1 n + p_1 m + \omega_1 t + \eta_1^{(0)}}}$$

where:

$$F_n^m = 1 + e^{k_1 n + p_1 m + \omega_1 t + \eta_1^{(0)}}, \quad (\forall) \quad k_1, p_1 \in \mathbb{C}$$

and the dispersion relation has the form:

$$\omega_1 = 2 \frac{\frac{\sinh \frac{(k_1+p_1)N}{2} \sinh \frac{(k_1+p_1)(N+1)}{2}}{\sinh \frac{k_1+p_1}{2}}.$$

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#### The multi-soliton solution for aB 2D-lattice

For 2-soliton solution we obtain:

 $F_n^m = 1 + e^{\eta_1} + e^{\eta_2} + e^{\eta_1 + \eta_2 + A_{12}}, \quad \eta_j = k_j n + p_j m + \omega_j t + \eta_j^{(0)}, \quad j = 1, 2$ 

the dispersion relation:

$$\omega_j = 2 \frac{\sinh \frac{(k_j + p_j)N}{2} \sinh \frac{(k_j + p_j)(N+1)}{2}}{\sinh \frac{k_j + p_j}{2}},$$

and the interaction phase:

$$e^{A_{12}} = \frac{-\cosh\frac{k_1+p_1-k_2-p_2}{2} + \cosh\frac{(k_1+p_1-k_2-p_2)(1+2N)}{2} - (\omega_1 - \omega_2)\sinh\frac{k_1+p_1-k_2-p_2}{2}}{-\cosh\frac{k_1+p_1+k_2+p_2}{2} - \cosh\frac{(k_1+p_1+k_2+p_2)(1+2N)}{2} + (\omega_1 + \omega_2)\sinh\frac{k_1+p_1+k_2+p_2}{2}}.$$

#### The multi-soliton solution for aB 2D-lattice

For **3-soliton solution** we obtain:

 $F_n^m = 1 + e^{\eta_1} + e^{\eta_2} + e^{\eta_1 + \eta_2 + A_{12}} + e^{\eta_1 + \eta_3 + A_{13}} + e^{\eta_2 + \eta_3 + A_{23}} + e^{\sum_{i=1}^3 \eta_i + \sum_{1 \le i < j}^3 A_{ij}},$ 

the dispersion relation:

$$\omega_j = 2 \frac{\frac{\sinh \frac{(k_j + p_j)N}{2} \sinh \frac{(k_j + p_j)(N+1)}{2}}{\sinh \frac{k_j + p_j}{2}}, \quad j = \overline{1, 3}$$

and the interaction phase:

$$e^{A_{ij}} = \frac{-\cosh\frac{k_i + p_i - k_j - p_j}{2} + \cosh\frac{(k_i + p_i - k_j - p_j)(1 + 2N)}{2} - (\omega_i - \omega_j)\sinh\frac{k_i + p_i - k_j - p_j}{2}}{-\cosh\frac{k_i + p_i + k_j + p_j}{2} - \cosh\frac{(k_i + p_i + k_j + p_j)(1 + 2N)}{2} + (\omega_i + \omega_j)\sinh\frac{k_i + p_i + k_j + p_j}{2}}{-\cosh\frac{k_i + p_i + k_j + p_j}{2}}.$$

#### The multi-soliton solutions for aB 2D-lattice

The N-soliton solutions has the following form for  $F_n^m$ :

$$F_{n}^{m}(t) = \sum_{\mu_{1},\mu_{\mathcal{N}}=\{0,1\}} \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\mathcal{N}} \mu_{i}\eta_{i} + \sum_{1 \le i < j}^{\mathcal{N}} \mu_{i}\mu_{j}A_{ij}\right), \quad (15)$$

where:

$$\eta_{j} = k_{j}n + p_{j}m + \omega_{j}t + \eta_{j}^{(0)}, \quad j = \overline{1, \mathcal{N}},$$

$$\omega_{j} = 2\frac{\frac{\sinh\frac{(k_{j}+p_{j})N}{2}\sinh\frac{(k_{j}+p_{j})(N+1)}{2}}{\sinh\frac{k_{j}+p_{j}}{2}}, \quad j = \overline{1, \mathcal{N}}$$

$$e^{A_{ij}} = \frac{-\cosh\frac{k_{i}+p_{i}-k_{j}-p_{j}}{2} + \cosh\frac{(k_{i}+p_{i}-k_{j}-p_{j})(1+2N)}{2} - (\omega_{i} - \omega_{j})\sinh\frac{k_{i}+p_{i}-k_{j}-p_{j}}{2}}{-\cosh\frac{k_{i}+p_{i}+k_{j}+p_{j}}{2} - \cosh\frac{(k_{i}+p_{i}+k_{j}+p_{j})(1+2N)}{2} + (\omega_{i} + \omega_{j})\sinh\frac{k_{i}+p_{i}+k_{j}+p_{j}}{2}}.$$

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#### The periodic reduction and the parallel between systems

Now, all the multi-soliton solutions for the coupled aB systems for any N are coming straightforward from the aB 2D-lattice (10) and one can easily see this by looking at the two bilinear forms:

- for aB (n,m,t) 2D-lattice:

$$\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{t}}F_{n+1}^{m+1}\cdot F_{n}^{m}+F_{n+1}^{m+1}F_{n}^{m}=F_{n+1+N}^{m+1+N}F_{n-N}^{m-N}, \quad (16)$$

- for coupled aB(n,t) system:

$$\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{t}}\overline{F_{\nu+1}} \cdot F_{\nu} + \overline{F_{\nu+1}}F_{\nu} = \overline{F_{\nu+1+N}} \underbrace{F_{\nu-N}}_{(N)}, \qquad (17)$$

The systems are the same, considering that the second index, m, of  $Q_{n,m}(t) = 1 + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \log \frac{F_{n+1}^{m+1}}{F_n^m}$  in (16) becomes  $\nu = \overline{1, M}$  in (17), parameter which indiciates the soliton solutions  $u_{\nu}(t) = 1 + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \log \frac{\overline{F_{\nu+1}}}{F_{\nu}}$  for the M-component aB system.

#### The periodic reduction and the parallel between systems

For example, in the case M = 2, the *m*-dependence is dropped,  $p_j$  appearing in the definitions will be  $-\pi i$ ,  $+\pi i$  making the dispersion relation to have two branches (allowing solitons to move either in the same direction or opposite to one another).

For M = 3, again the *m*-dependence is dropped,  $p_j$  will be  $-2\pi i/3$ ,  $+2\pi i/3$ ,  $2\pi i$  (its exponentials are the cubic roots of the unity), leading to the three branches of the dispersion relation.

For  $\forall M$ , dropping the *m*-dependence,  $p_j \in \nu \frac{2\pi i}{M}$ ,  $\nu = 1, M$  (its exponentials are the M roots of unity), we have the M branches of dispersion.

Considering the above parallel, the periodic reduction proves again to be a very effective tool for deriving multi-soliton solution for multicomponent systems.

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#### Conclusions

- In this paper we studied the coupled additive Bogoyavlensky system with branched dispersion relations and as a particular case (N = 1) the coupled Lotka-Volterra system;
- The main motivation was to see that the integrability survives in coupled systems.
- The main feature of such coupled systems is the structure of the dispersion relation (having multiple branches) and of the phases of the components, parametrised by the order *M* roots of unity. The existence of many branches of the dispersion relation allows more freedom in solitons interaction;
- It was shown by Hirota bilinear formalism that the coupled aB system is integrable and moreover it was shown that with a periodic reduction of an integrable aB 2D lattice equation the multi-solitons are easier to construct.

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