

YANG-MILLS CONNECTIONS IN
HOMOGENEOUS PRINCIPAL FIBRE BUNDLES

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Abstract: Let K be a compact connected Lie-group of automorphisms of a principal fibre bundle $P(M, G)$ which acts fibre-transitively on P . We obtain a necessary and sufficient condition for a K -invariant connection in $P(M, G)$ to be a Yang-Mills connection, and give such examples.

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1. Introduction

Yang-Mills connections in a G -principal fibre bundle P over a compact Riemannian manifold M are the extrema of the Yang-Mills functional. In case of $\dim(M) = 4$, (anti-) self-dual connections are always Yang-Mills connections and the theory of (anti-) self-dual connections has been greatly developed. Nevertheless, to solve the Yang-Mills equation, itself, is still a difficult problem because of its non-linearity.

In this paper, for a compact connected Lie group K of automorphisms of a

principal fibre bundle $P(M, G)$ which acts fibre-transitively on P , we obtain a necessary and sufficient condition for a K -invariant connection in $P(M, G)$ to be a Yang-Mills connection (cf. Theorem 4.1). Moreover as examples, we treat the case $K = SU(3)$ and $G = SU(2)$, and the base manifold $M = CP^2$ (cf. Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 5.4).

2. Yang-Mills Connections

For a compact Lie group G with the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} , let $P(M, G, \pi)$ be a principal G -bundle over a compact Riemannian manifold (M, h) . A \mathfrak{g} -valued 1-form ω on P is called a connection (form) if it satisfies

$$\omega(A^*) = A, \quad A \in \mathfrak{g}, \quad (2.1)$$

where A^* is a vector field on P given by $A^*_u = d(u \cdot \exp(tA))/dt|_{t=0}$, $u \in P$, and the pull back $R_a^*\omega$ of ω by the action R_a , $a \in G$, of G satisfies

$$R_a^*\omega = \text{Ad}(a^{-1})\omega, \quad a \in G. \quad (2.2)$$

We denote by \mathcal{C} the set of all connections on P . Let $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \mathcal{F}}$ be an open covering of M with a family of isomorphisms $\psi_\alpha: \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times G$ and the corresponding family of transition functions $\psi_{\alpha\beta}: U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \rightarrow G$, $(\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{F})$. For each $\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$, let $\sigma_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow P$ be the cross section on U_α defined by $\sigma_\alpha(x) := \psi_\alpha^{-1}(x, 1_G)$, $x \in U_\alpha$, where 1_G is the identity of G . For each $\alpha \in \mathcal{F}$, a \mathfrak{g} -valued 1-form ω_α on U_α is defined by $\omega_\alpha := \sigma_\alpha^*\omega$. Then on each non-empty $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$, $(\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{F})$,

$$\omega_\beta = (L_{\psi_{\beta\alpha}})_* d\psi_{\alpha\beta} + \text{Ad}(\psi_{\beta\alpha})\omega_\alpha. \quad (2.3)$$

Then, on $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)$, $(\alpha \in \mathcal{F})$,

$$\omega = \text{Ad}(s_\alpha^{-1})\pi^*\omega_\alpha + (L_{s_\alpha^{-1}})_* ds_\alpha \quad (\omega \in \mathcal{C}), \quad (2.4)$$

where s_α is the G -coordinate of the isomorphism $\psi_\alpha: \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha \times G$, $(\alpha \in \mathcal{F})$. The \mathfrak{g} -valued 2-form Ω^ω on P , which is called the curvature form, is defined

$$\Omega^\omega = d\omega + (1/2)[\omega, \omega]. \quad (2.5)$$

On $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)$, $(\alpha \in \mathcal{F})$,

$$\Omega^\omega = \text{Ad}(s_\alpha^{-1})\pi^*\Omega_\alpha, \quad (2.6)$$

where $\Omega_\alpha := d\omega_\alpha + (1/2)[\omega_\alpha, \omega_\alpha]$. Fix an $\text{Ad}(G)$ -invariant inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ on \mathfrak{g} . Since the inner product $\langle \Omega^\omega, \Omega^\omega \rangle (u)$ depends only on the point $x = \pi(u)$ because of (2.2) and (2.6), the following functional called the Yang-Mills functional, is well defined:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{YM}(\omega) &= (1/2) \int_M \langle \Omega^\omega, \Omega^\omega \rangle dv_h, \\ (\mathcal{YM}(\omega_\alpha) &= (1/2) \int_M \langle \Omega_\alpha, \Omega_\alpha \rangle dv_h), \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

where dv_h is the volume element of (M, h) . A connection ω in \mathcal{C} is a *Yang-Mills connection* if it is a critical point of the Yang-Mills functional \mathcal{YM} . The following theorem is well known (cf. [2,4]):

Theorem 2.1. *A connection ω in \mathcal{C} is a Yang-Mills connection if and only if*

$$\sum_{j=1}^m \{(\nabla_{e_j} \Omega_\alpha)(e_j, e_i) + [\omega_\alpha(e_j), \Omega_\alpha(e_j, e_i)]\} = 0 \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m), \tag{2.8}$$

where ∇ is the Levi-Civita connection of (M, h) and $\{e_i \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$ is a local orthonormal frame field on (M, h) .

3. Invariant Connections in $P = K \times_{(\lambda, H)} G$

The situation of this paper is the following. Let K be a compact connected Lie group acting on a principal fibre bundle $P(M, G, \pi)$ as a group of automorphisms which acts fibre-transitively on P , i.e., (i) each $k(\in K)$ is a diffeomorphism such that $k(ua) = k(u)a$ ($u \in P, a \in G$), and (ii) for any two fibres of P , there is an element of K which maps one fibre into the other. Every element k of K induces a transformation of M in a natural manner because of (i), which is denoted by τ_k . For an arbitrary fixed point u_0 in P , with the projection $\pi(u_0) = x_0$, let H be the isotropy subgroup of K at x_0 , i.e., $H := \{k \in K \mid \tau_k x_0 = x_0\}$. Then $K/H = M$ and $x_0 = \{H\}$. Moreover $P = K \times_{(\lambda, H)} G$. In fact, the identification Ψ of P with $K \times_{(\lambda, H)} G$ is given by

$$\Psi(u) := [(k, a)] \quad (u = k(u_0)a \in P, \quad k \in K, \quad a \in G). \tag{3.1}$$

This correspondence (3.1) is well defined, then $u_0 = [(1_K, 1_G)]$ and $\pi(u) = \pi[(k, a)] = \pi_0(k)$, ($u = k(u_0)a$). In this paper, π_0 is the natural projection

of K onto K/H . Let λ be the holonomy representation of H into G , i.e., $h(u_0) = u_0\lambda(h)$ ($h \in H$). Now let us recall a work of H.C. Wang (cf. [7]) in which he considered the K -invariant connections on P . A connection $\omega (\in \mathcal{C})$ is K -invariant if the full back $k^*\omega$, ($k \in K$), coincides with ω . We denote by \mathcal{C}_K the set of all K -invariant connections of the principal fibre bundle $P(M, G, \pi)$. For every $\omega \in \mathcal{C}_K$, a linear map \wedge of \mathfrak{k} into \mathfrak{g} is defined by $\wedge(X) := \omega_{u_0}(\tilde{X})$, $X \in \mathfrak{k}$, where \mathfrak{k} is the Lie algebra of K and \tilde{X} is a vector field on P defined by

$$\tilde{X}_u := d(\exp tX)(u)/dt|_{t=0}, \quad (u \in P). \quad (3.2)$$

Then, (cf. [7]),

$$\begin{cases} \wedge(X) = \lambda(X), & (X \in \mathfrak{h}), \quad \text{and} \\ \wedge(\text{Ad}(h)X) = \text{Ad}(\lambda(h)) \wedge(X), & (h \in H, X \in \mathfrak{k}). \end{cases} \quad (3.3)$$

Since K is compact, the Lie algebra \mathfrak{k} of K can be decomposed into a direct sum of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{h} of H and an $\text{Ad}(H)$ -invariant subspace \mathfrak{m} as vector spaces, that is, $\mathfrak{k} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}$ and $\text{Ad}(H)\mathfrak{m} \subset \mathfrak{m}$. Then we have the following theorem.

Theorem 3.1. (cf. [7]) *On the G -principal fibre bundle $P = K \times_{(\lambda, H)} G$ over M , the correspondence above $\omega \rightarrow \wedge$ gives a bijection between \mathcal{C}_K and the set of all linear maps \wedge satisfying*

$$\wedge_{\mathfrak{m}}(\text{Ad}(h)X) = \text{Ad}(\lambda(h))(\wedge_{\mathfrak{m}}(X)) \quad (h \in H, X \in \mathfrak{m}), \quad (3.4)$$

and the curvature form Ω of the K -invariant connection defined by $\wedge_{\mathfrak{m}}$ satisfies the following 2 $\Omega_{u_0}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) = [\wedge_{\mathfrak{m}}(X), \wedge_{\mathfrak{m}}(Y)] - \wedge_{\mathfrak{m}}([X, Y]_{\mathfrak{m}}) - \lambda([X, Y]_{\mathfrak{h}})$,

$$(X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}), \quad (3.5)$$

where $\wedge_{\mathfrak{m}}$ is the restriction of \wedge to \mathfrak{m} , and $[X, Y]_{\mathfrak{m}}$ (resp. $[X, Y]_{\mathfrak{h}}$) denotes the \mathfrak{m} -component (resp. \mathfrak{h} -component) of $[X, Y] \in \mathfrak{k}$.

4. Main Results

We preserve the notations as in Section 2 and Section 3. For the H -principal fibre bundle $K(K/H, H, \pi_0)$, the following lemma (cf. [3, Lemma 4.1, p. 123]) is well known.

Lemma 4.1. *There is a neighbourhood V of 0 in the vector space \mathfrak{m} which is mapped diffeomorphically under $\exp|_{\mathfrak{m}}$ and such that π_0 maps $N := \exp(V)$ diffeomorphically onto a neighbourhood U of the point $\{H\}$ in K/H .*

Let σ_0 be a cross section of the neighbourhood U of $\{H\}$ in Lemma 4.1 into $\pi_0^{-1}(U) (\subset K)$ which is defined by $\sigma_0(\pi_0(\exp X)) = \exp(X)$ ($X \in V$). For each $u = [(k, a)] \in P, \pi(u) = \pi_0(k)$. For convenience in this paper, we denote by U_α the neighbourhood U of $\{H\}$ ($\in M$) in Lemma 4.1. Using the mapping σ_0 , we can define a cross section σ_α of the neighborhood U_α into $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha) (\subset P)$, which is defined by $\sigma_\alpha(\pi_0(\exp X)) := \exp X(u_0)$, ($X \in V$). Evidently, $\sigma_\alpha(x_0) = u_0$.

For the calculus, we define a vector field X^* , $X \in \mathfrak{m} = T_{\{H\}}M$, on the neighborhood U_α of $\{H\}$ in K/H by

$$X^*_{xH} := (\tau_x)_* X \in T_{xH}(M), \quad x \in \exp(V) = N. \quad (4.1)$$

Let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ be an inner product which is $\text{Ad}(H)$ -invariant on \mathfrak{m} , This inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ determines a K -invariant Riemannian metric $h_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle}$ on K/H . Let $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^m$ be an orthonormal basis on $(\mathfrak{m}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$. Then $\{X_i^*\}_{i=1}^m$ is an orthonormal frame field on the neighborhood U_α of $\{H\}$ in $(K/H, h_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle})$. Let $\{\theta^j\}_{j=1}^m$ be a system of 1-forms on U_α which is dual to $\{X_i^*\}_{i=1}^m$. Then, the Levi-Civita connection ∇ of $(K/H, h_{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle})$ is given by

$$(\nabla_{X^*} Y^*)_{x_0} = (1/2)[X, Y]_{\mathfrak{m}} + U(X, Y) \quad (X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}), \quad (4.2)$$

where $U(X, Y)$ is determined by

$$2 \langle U(X, Y), Z \rangle = \langle [Z, X]_{\mathfrak{m}}, Y \rangle + \langle X, [Z, Y]_{\mathfrak{m}} \rangle \quad (X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{m}). \quad (4.3)$$

For each $u \in \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)$, there exist a unique pair $(X, a) \in (V \times G) \subset (\mathfrak{m} \times G)$ such that $u = [(\exp X, a)]$. A diffeomorphism ψ_α of $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)$ onto $U_\alpha \times G$ is defined by

$$\psi_\alpha(u) = (\pi(u), a) = (\pi_0(\exp X), a), \quad (4.4)$$

for $u = \exp X(u_0) \cdot a = [(\exp X, a)]$, ($X \in V$ and $a \in G$). Then $\sigma_\alpha(\pi_0(\exp X)) = \psi_\alpha^{-1}(\pi_0(\exp X), 1_G) = (\exp X)(u_0)$, ($X \in V$). So, $s_\alpha(\sigma_\alpha(\tau_{\exp X}\{H\})) = 1_G$, ($X \in V$). By virtue of (2.6), we have on U_α

$$\Omega^\omega(\sigma_{\alpha*}(X_i^*), \sigma_{\alpha*}(X_j^*)) = \Omega_\alpha(X_i^*, X_j^*). \quad (4.5)$$

Since $\sigma_\alpha(\pi_0(\exp tX_i)) = \exp(tX_i)(u_0)$ for sufficiently small t , $\widetilde{X}_i(u_0) = \sigma_{\alpha*}(X_i^*_{\{H\}})$ for each i . Hence, by(2.6) we get on U_α

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_\alpha^* \omega)(X_i^*_{\{H\}}) &= \wedge_{\mathfrak{m}}(X_i), \\ \Omega^\omega(\widetilde{X}_i, \widetilde{X}_j)(u_0) &= \Omega_\alpha(X_i^*, X_j^*)(x_0). \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

From now on, we use the following notations:

$\{X_i\}_i$: an orthonormal basis of $(\mathbf{m}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$, $\{Y_a\}_a$: a basis of \mathbf{h}

$\{E_\alpha\}_\alpha$: an orthonormal basis of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of the structure group G with respect to an $\text{Ad}(G)$ -invariant inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$,

$$\begin{aligned} [X_i, X_j]_{\mathbf{m}} &=: \sum_k C_{ij}{}^k X_k, & [X_i, X_j]_{\mathbf{h}} &=: \sum_b C_{ij}{}^b Y_b, \\ d\lambda(Y_a) &=: \lambda(Y_a) =: \sum_\beta \lambda_a{}^\beta E_\beta, & [E_\alpha, E_\beta] &=: \sum_\gamma G_{\alpha\beta}{}^\gamma E_\gamma, \\ U(X_i, X_j) &=: \sum_k U_{ij}{}^k X_k, & \wedge_{\mathbf{m}}(X_j) &=: \sum_\beta \wedge_j{}^\beta E_\beta, \\ \Omega_\alpha &:= \sum_{i,j,\beta} \Omega_{ij}{}^\beta (\theta^{i*} \wedge \theta^{j*}) \otimes E_\beta, & \Omega_\alpha(X_i^*, X_j^*) &=: \Omega_{ij} \text{ on } U_\alpha, \\ & & (\nabla_{X_k^* \{H\}} \Omega_\alpha)(X_j^* \{H\}, X_i^* \{H\}) &=: \nabla_k \Omega_{ji} \text{ on } U_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

By (4.3), we get

$$U_{ij}{}^k = (1/2)(C_{ki}{}^j + C_{kj}{}^i). \quad (4.7)$$

We obtain by help of (4.2) and (4.7)

$$\begin{cases} (\nabla_{X_i^*} X_j^*) = (1/2) \sum_k (C_{ki}{}^j + C_{kj}{}^i + C_{ij}{}^k) X_k^*, \\ (\nabla_{X_i^*} \theta^{j*}) = (-1/2) \sum_k (C_{ji}{}^k + C_{jk}{}^i + C_{ik}{}^j) \theta^{k*}. \end{cases} \quad (4.8)$$

Using (3.5) and (4.6), we obtain

$$\Omega_{ij}{}^\alpha = (1/2) \left(\sum_{\beta,\gamma} \wedge_i{}^\beta \wedge_j{}^\gamma G_{\beta\gamma}{}^\alpha - \sum_k C_{ij}{}^k \wedge_k{}^\alpha - \sum_a C_{ij}{}^a \lambda_a{}^\alpha \right). \quad (4.9)$$

By virtue of (4.6) and (4.8), we get

$$\sum_j \nabla_j \Omega_{ji} = \sum_{j,k,\alpha} \{ \Omega_{ik}{}^\alpha C_{kj}{}^j + (1/2) \Omega_{kj}{}^\alpha (C_{kj}{}^i + C_{ki}{}^j + C_{ji}{}^k) \} E_\alpha, \quad (4.10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j [\wedge_{\mathbf{m}}(X_j), \Omega_{ji}] &= (1/2) \sum_{j,\alpha,\beta,\delta} \wedge_j{}^\beta \left(\sum_{\gamma,\mu} \wedge_j{}^\gamma \wedge_i{}^\mu G_{\gamma\mu}{}^\delta \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_k C_{ji}{}^k \wedge_k{}^\delta - \sum_a C_{ji}{}^a \lambda_a{}^\delta \right) G_{\beta\delta}{}^\alpha E_\alpha. \end{aligned} \quad (4.11)$$

Thus, by (4.10) and (4.11) we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 4.1. *Let K be a compact connected Liegroup of automorphisms of $P(M, G)$ which acts fibre-transitively on P . Then a K -invariant connection in the principal fibre bundle $P(M, G)$ is a Yang-Mills connection if and only if*

$$\sum_{k,j} \{2\Omega_{ik}^\alpha C_{kj}^j + \Omega_{kj}^\alpha (C_{kj}^i + C_{ki}^j + C_{ji}^k)\} + \sum_{j,\beta,\delta} \wedge_j^\beta G_{\beta\delta}^\alpha \\ \times \left(\sum_{\gamma,\mu} \wedge_j^\gamma \wedge_i^\mu G_{\gamma\mu}^\delta - \sum_k C_{ji}^k \wedge_k^\delta - \sum_a C_{ji}^a \lambda_a^\delta \right) = 0. \quad (4.12)$$

Corollary 4.2. *Assume the base manifold $(M, h_{<, >})$ in the principal fibre bundle $P(M, G)$ is symmetric. Then a K -invariant connection in the bundle $P(M, G)$ is a Yang-Mills connection if and only if*

$$\sum_{j,\beta,\delta} \wedge_j^\beta G_{\beta\delta}^\alpha \left(\sum_{\gamma,\mu} \wedge_j^\gamma \wedge_i^\mu G_{\gamma\mu}^\delta - \sum_a C_{ji}^a \lambda_a^\delta \right) = 0. \quad (4.13)$$

5. Examples

We consider the case when $K = SU(3)$, $H = S(U(1) \times U(2))$ and $G = SU(2)$. Note that $U(1) \times SU(2)$ is a double covering of $U(2)$ and $U(2)$ is isomorphic with $S(U(1) \times SU(2))$ by group homomorphisms

$$U(1) \times SU(2) \longrightarrow U(2) \xrightarrow{\sim} S(U(1) \times U(2)),$$

which are given by

$$(e^{i\theta}, A) \text{ or } (e^{i(\theta+\pi)}, -A) \longmapsto e^{i\theta} A =: B \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} \det(B^{-1}) & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}.$$

If l is an even integer, a group homomorphism λ of $S(U(1) \times U(2))$ into $SU(2)$ via $e^{i\theta} A \longmapsto \text{diag}(e^{il\theta}, e^{-il\theta})$, ($e^{i\theta} \in U(1)$, $A \in SU(2)$), is well defined.

Let E_{ij} denote a square matrix of order 3 with the (i, j) -entry being 1, and all the other entries being 0. Then we put:

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &:= (1/\sqrt{12})(E_{12} - E_{21}), & X_2 &:= (\sqrt{-1}/\sqrt{12})(E_{12} + E_{21}), \\ X_3 &:= (1/\sqrt{12})(E_{13} - E_{31}), & X_4 &:= (\sqrt{-1}/\sqrt{12})(E_{13} + E_{31}), \\ Y_5 &:= (1/\sqrt{12})(E_{23} - E_{32}), & Y_6 &:= (\sqrt{-1}/\sqrt{12})(E_{23} + E_{32}), \end{aligned}$$

$$Y_7 := (\sqrt{-1}/\sqrt{12}) \operatorname{diag}(0, 1, -1), \quad Y_8 := (\sqrt{-1}/6) \operatorname{diag}(-2, 1, 1).$$

Then $\{Y_5, Y_6, Y_7, Y_8\}_R = \mathfrak{h}$. Let B be the Killing form of $\mathfrak{su}(n)$, i.e., $B(X, Y) = \operatorname{Trace}(\operatorname{ad}(X)\operatorname{ad}(Y)) = 2n\operatorname{Trace}(XY)$ ($X, Y \in \mathfrak{su}(n)$). We define an inner product \langle, \rangle on $\mathfrak{su}(n)$ by

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = -B(X, Y) = -2n \operatorname{Trace}(XY) \quad (X, Y \in \mathfrak{su}(n)). \quad (5.1)$$

We put $\{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\}_R =: \mathfrak{m}$, and then $[\mathfrak{h}, \mathfrak{m}] \subset \mathfrak{m}$. Moreover, $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^4$ is an orthonormal basis of $(\mathfrak{m}, \langle, \rangle)$.

Similarly, we put $E_1 := (1/\sqrt{8})(E_{12} - E_{21})$, $E_2 := (\sqrt{-1}/\sqrt{8})(E_{12} + E_{21})$, $E_3 := (\sqrt{-1}/\sqrt{8})\operatorname{diag}(1, -1)$ in $\mathfrak{su}(2)$. Then, $\{E_1, E_2, E_3\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathfrak{su}(2)$ with respect to the $\operatorname{Ad}(SU(2))$ -invariant inner product \langle, \rangle which is induced by the Killing form B on $\mathfrak{su}(2)$.

By straightforward computations, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{12}^7 &= (-\sqrt{12})^{-1}, & C_{12}^8 &= (-1/2), & C_{13}^5 &= (-\sqrt{12})^{-1}, \\ C_{14}^6 &= (-\sqrt{12})^{-1}, & C_{23}^6 &= (\sqrt{12})^{-1}, & C_{24}^5 &= (-\sqrt{12})^{-1}, \\ C_{34}^7 &= (\sqrt{12})^{-1}, & C_{34}^8 &= (-1/2), & & \text{and the others are zero;} \\ G_{12}^3 &= G_{23}^1 = G_{31}^2 = (1/\sqrt{2}), & & & & \text{and the others are zero;} \\ \lambda_8^3 &= (\sqrt{2}\ell)/3 & & & & \text{and the others are zero.} \end{aligned} \quad (5.2)$$

Using Theorem 4.1 and Corollary 4.2, we have the following result.

Proposition 5.1. *Let P be the principal fibre bundle*

$$SU(3) \times_{(\lambda, S(U(1) \times U(2)))} SU(2) =: P_\lambda$$

over the Riemannian manifold $(CP^2, g_{\langle, \rangle})$. Then, a $SU(3)$ -invariant connection w in P_λ is a Yang-Mills connection if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} 3 \sum_{j(j \neq k)} [\wedge_k^2(\wedge_j^1 \wedge_j^2) + \wedge_k^3(\wedge_j^1 \wedge_j^3) - \wedge_k^1\{(\wedge_j^2)^2 + (\wedge_j^3)^2\}] \\ = \begin{cases} \ell \wedge_2^2 & \text{if } k = 1, & -\ell \wedge_1^2 & \text{if } k = 2, \\ \ell \wedge_4^2 & \text{if } k = 3, & -\ell \wedge_3^2 & \text{if } k = 4, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3 \sum_{j(j \neq k)} [\wedge_k^1(\wedge_j^1 \wedge_j^2) + \wedge_k^3(\wedge_j^2 \wedge_j^3) - \wedge_k^2\{(\wedge_j^1)^2 + (\wedge_j^3)^2\}] \\ = \begin{cases} -\ell \wedge_2^1 & \text{if } k = 1, & \ell \wedge_1^1 & \text{if } k = 2, \\ -\ell \wedge_4^1 & \text{if } k = 3, & \ell \wedge_3^1 & \text{if } k = 4, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{j(j \neq k)} [\wedge_k^1(\wedge_j^1 \wedge_j^3) + \wedge_k^2(\wedge_j^2 \wedge_j^3) - \wedge_k^3\{(\wedge_j^1)^2 + (\wedge_j^2)^2\}] = 0, \quad \text{for each } k \ (k = 1, 2, 3, 4). \quad (5.3)$$

The Hodge star operator $*$ satisfies $*^2 = id$. In case of $\dim(M) = 4$, if $*\Omega^\omega = \Omega^\omega$ (resp. $*\Omega^\omega = -\Omega^\omega$), w is *self-dual* (resp. *anti-self-dual*), which is always a Yang-Mills connection.

By help of (4.9) and (5.2), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{12}^1 &= c(\wedge_1^2 \wedge_2^3 - \wedge_1^3 \wedge_2^2), & \Omega_{12}^2 &= c(\wedge_1^3 \wedge_2^1 - \wedge_1^1 \wedge_2^3), \\ \Omega_{12}^3 &= c\{\wedge_1^1 \wedge_2^2 - \wedge_1^2 \wedge_2^1 + (\ell/3)\}, \\ \Omega_{13}^1 &= c(\wedge_1^2 \wedge_3^3 - \wedge_1^3 \wedge_3^2), & \Omega_{13}^2 &= c(\wedge_1^3 \wedge_3^1 - \wedge_1^1 \wedge_3^3), \\ \Omega_{13}^3 &= c(\wedge_1^1 \wedge_3^2 - \wedge_1^2 \wedge_3^1), \\ \Omega_{14}^1 &= c(\wedge_1^2 \wedge_4^3 - \wedge_1^3 \wedge_4^2), & \Omega_{14}^2 &= c(\wedge_1^3 \wedge_4^1 - \wedge_1^1 \wedge_4^3), \\ \Omega_{14}^3 &= c(\wedge_1^1 \wedge_4^2 - \wedge_1^2 \wedge_4^1), \\ \Omega_{23}^1 &= c(\wedge_2^2 \wedge_3^3 - \wedge_2^3 \wedge_3^2), & \Omega_{23}^2 &= c(\wedge_2^3 \wedge_3^1 - \wedge_2^1 \wedge_3^3), \\ \Omega_{23}^3 &= c(\wedge_2^1 \wedge_3^2 - \wedge_2^2 \wedge_3^1), \\ \Omega_{24}^1 &= c(\wedge_2^2 \wedge_4^3 - \wedge_2^3 \wedge_4^2), & \Omega_{24}^2 &= c(\wedge_2^3 \wedge_4^1 - \wedge_2^1 \wedge_4^3), \\ \Omega_{24}^3 &= c(\wedge_2^1 \wedge_4^2 - \wedge_2^2 \wedge_4^1), \\ \Omega_{34}^1 &= c(\wedge_3^2 \wedge_4^3 - \wedge_3^3 \wedge_4^2), & \Omega_{34}^2 &= c(\wedge_3^3 \wedge_4^1 - \wedge_3^1 \wedge_4^3), \\ \Omega_{34}^3 &= c\{\wedge_3^1 \wedge_4^2 - \wedge_3^2 \wedge_4^1 + (\ell/3)\}, \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

where $c := (2\sqrt{2})^{-1}$. We obtain from (5.4) the following proposition.

Proposition 5.2. *In the principal fibre bundle*

$$SU(3) \times_{(\lambda, S(U(1) \times U(2)))} SU(2),$$

over CP^2 , w is *self dual* (resp. *anti-self-dual*) if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} \wedge_1^2 \wedge_2^3 - \wedge_1^3 \wedge_2^2 &= \wedge_3^2 \wedge_4^3 - \wedge_3^3 \wedge_4^2 \quad (\text{resp. } \wedge_3^3 \wedge_4^2 - \wedge_3^2 \wedge_4^3), \\ \wedge_1^3 \wedge_2^1 - \wedge_1^1 \wedge_2^3 &= \wedge_3^3 \wedge_4^1 - \wedge_3^1 \wedge_4^3 \quad (\text{resp. } \wedge_3^1 \wedge_4^3 - \wedge_3^3 \wedge_4^1), \\ \wedge_1^1 \wedge_2^2 - \wedge_1^2 \wedge_2^1 &= \wedge_3^1 \wedge_4^2 - \wedge_3^2 \wedge_4^1 \\ &\quad (\text{resp. } \wedge_3^2 \wedge_4^1 - \wedge_3^1 \wedge_4^2 - (2\ell)/3), \\ \wedge_1^\alpha \wedge_3^\beta - \wedge_1^\beta \wedge_3^\alpha &= \wedge_4^\alpha \wedge_2^\beta - \wedge_4^\beta \wedge_2^\alpha \quad (\text{resp. } \wedge_4^\beta \wedge_2^\alpha - \wedge_4^\alpha \wedge_2^\beta), \\ \wedge_1^\alpha \wedge_4^\beta - \wedge_1^\beta \wedge_4^\alpha &= \wedge_2^\alpha \wedge_3^\beta - \wedge_2^\beta \wedge_3^\alpha \quad (\text{resp. } \wedge_2^\beta \wedge_3^\alpha - \wedge_2^\alpha \wedge_3^\beta), \end{aligned} \quad (5.5)$$

where $\alpha, \beta = 1, 2, 3$, and $\alpha \neq \beta$.

By Proposition 5.2, it can be shown that if (\wedge_i^α) satisfies $\wedge_i^1 = \wedge_i^2 = 0$ for each i ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$), i.e., $\langle \wedge_{\mathbf{m}}(X_i), E_1 \rangle = \langle \wedge_{\mathbf{m}}(X_i), E_2 \rangle = 0$ for each i , the $SU(3)$ -invariant connection w in P_λ corresponding to (\wedge_i^α) is self dual. Since a self-dual (or anti-self-dual) connection ω is a Yang-Mills connection, combining Proposition 5.1 and Proposition 5.2 we get the following result.

Proposition 5.3. *For a $SU(3)$ -invariant connection in the principal fibre bundle P_λ over CP^2 , the sufficient and necessary conditions to be a Yang-Mills connection are $\ell = 0$, or*

$$\langle \wedge_{\mathbf{m}}(X_i), E_1 \rangle = \langle \wedge_{\mathbf{m}}(X_i), E_2 \rangle = 0 \text{ for each } i \ (i = 1, 2, 3, 4). \quad (5.6)$$

By virtue of Proposition 5.1 and Proposition 5.3, we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 5.4. *Let P_λ be the principal fibre bundle $K \times_{(\lambda, H)} G$, ($K := SU(3)$, $H := S(U(1) \times U(2))$, $G := SU(2)$), over $(CP^2, g_{\langle, \rangle})$. Then the sufficient and necessary conditions for a K -invariant connection ω in P_λ to be a Yang-Mills connection are*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j(j \neq k)} [\wedge_k^2(\wedge_j^1 \wedge_j^2) + \wedge_k^3(\wedge_j^1 \wedge_j^3) - \wedge_k^1\{(\wedge_j^2)^2 + (\wedge_j^3)^2\}] \\ &= \sum_{j(j \neq k)} [\wedge_k^1(\wedge_j^1 \wedge_j^2) + \wedge_k^3(\wedge_j^2 \wedge_j^3) - \wedge_k^2\{(\wedge_j^1)^2 + (\wedge_j^3)^2\}] \\ &= \sum_{j(j \neq k)} [\wedge_k^1(\wedge_j^1 \wedge_j^3) + \wedge_k^2(\wedge_j^2 \wedge_j^3) - \wedge_k^3\{(\wedge_j^1)^2 + (\wedge_j^2)^2\}] \\ &= 0, \quad (5.7) \end{aligned}$$

for each k ($k = 1, 2, 3, 4$).

By Proposition 5.3, we derive the following corollary.

Corollary 5.5. *Let ℓ be a non-zero even integer. Then for each $SU(3)$ -invariant connection ω in P_λ , it is a Yang-Mills connection if and only if ω is self-dual.*

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