# COHOMOLOGY OF QUADRATIC NAMBU-POISSON TENSOR

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#### 1. Introduction

In the present paper, we compute Nambu-Poisson cohomology in the case of quadratic Nambu-Poisson tensor. The notion of Nambu-Poisson cohomology was first introduced by R. Ibáñez *et al* [2]. Let us consider  $\eta=(x^2+y^2+z^2+u^2)\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\wedge\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\wedge\frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ , which is a Nambu-Poisson tensor of order 3 defined on  $\mathbb{R}^4(x,y,z,u)$ . To compute  $H^*_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta)$ , we will essentially use the results of computations of  $H^*_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^3,\eta')$ , where  $\eta'=(x^2+y^2+z^2)\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\wedge\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\wedge\frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ .

### 2. Computation of Nambu-Poisson Cohomology

2.1. **Notation and General Remarks.** First of all we review an equivalent cohomology to Nambu-Poisson cohomology, which is due to P. Monnier [3]. Let M be an m-dimensional  $C^{\infty}$ -manifold with a volume form  $\Omega$ . For  $h \in C^{\infty}(M)$ , we define the operator  $d_h : \Omega^k(M) \to \Omega^{k+1}(M)$  by  $d_h(\alpha) = hd\alpha - kdh \wedge \alpha$ . It is easy to prove that  $d_h \circ d_h = 0$ . We denote by  $H_h^*(M)$  the cohomology of this complex. Let  $\eta$  be an element of  $\Gamma(\Lambda^m(TM))$ . Recall that such  $\eta$  becomes always a Nambu-Poisson tensor [4]. Then P. Monnier proved the following [3].

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**Proposition 2.1.** *If we put*  $h = i_{\eta}\Omega$ , then  $H_{NP}^*(M, \eta)$  *is isomorphic to*  $H_h^*(M)$ .

It is easy to see that if g is a function on M which does not vanish on M, then the cohomologies  $H_h^*(M)$  and  $H_{hq}^*(M)$  are isomorphic.

Throughout this paper, we will use the following notations:

- $\mathcal{F}$  is the algebra of real-valued  $C^{\infty}$  functions on  $\mathbb{R}^4(x, y, z, u)$ ;
- $\mathcal{F}'$  is the algebra of real-valued  $C^{\infty}$  functions on  $\mathbb{R}^3(x, y, z)$ ;
- $\chi(\mathbb{R}^4)$  is the  $\mathcal{F}$ -module of vector fields on  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ;

$$\bullet \ \chi'(\mathbb{R}^4) = \left\{ A \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + B \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + C \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \, \big| \ A, \, B, \, C \in \mathcal{F} \right\};$$

- $f = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + u^2$ ;
- $f' = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ ;
- $\Omega^k$  = the space of k-forms on  $\mathbb{R}^4$ ;
- $\Omega'_1 = \{A dx + B dy + C dz \mid A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}\};$
- $\Omega'_2 = \{Ady \wedge dz + Bdz \wedge dx + Cdx \wedge dy \mid A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}\};$
- $\Omega'_3 = \{A dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \mid A \in \mathcal{F}\}.$

If we choose  $\omega = dx \wedge dy \wedge dz$  as the volume form on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then we have  $f' = i_{\eta'}\omega$ . First we compute  $H^*_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^3, \eta')$ , which is isomorphic to  $H^*_{f'}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  by Proposition 2.1. In the formal category (i.e. all coefficients of differential forms are formal power series), the following results were obtained by P. Monnier [3].

**Proposition 2.2.** In the formal category,  $H_{f'}^0 \cong \mathbb{R}$ ,  $H_{f'}^1 \cong \mathbb{R}$ ,  $H_{f'}^2 \cong 0$  and  $H_{f'}^3 \cong \mathbb{R}$ .

We want to compute  $H_{f'}^*$  in the  $C^{\infty}$ -category, and we will show that Proposition 2.2 still holds even in the  $C^{\infty}$ -category. First it is clear that  $H_{f'}^0 \cong \mathbb{R}$ . R. Ibáñez *et al* [2] proved independently of P. Monnier [3] that  $H_{f'}^1 \cong \mathbb{R}$ . Hence it only remains to compute  $H_{f'}^2$  and  $H_{f'}^3$ . To compute them, we use Proposition 2.2.

Let  $\beta$  be a 2-cocycle. Then by definition,  $\beta$  satisfies  $f'd\beta=2\,df'\wedge\beta$ . Denote by  $[\beta]$  the formal Taylor expansion of  $\beta$  at the origin. Then by Proposition 2.2, there exists a formal 1-form  $[\alpha]$  such that  $[\beta]=f'd[\alpha]-df'\wedge[\alpha]$ . Hence we can find a 1-form  $\alpha$ , whose formal Taylor expansion at the origin is  $[\alpha]$ . Put  $\beta'=\beta-(f'd\alpha-df'\wedge\alpha)$ . Then  $\beta'$  is flat (i.e.  $[\beta']=0$ ) and satisfies  $f'd\beta'=2\,df'\wedge\beta'$ .  $\beta'$ .  $\beta'$  is also flat and  $d\left(\frac{\beta'}{f'^2}\right)=\frac{1}{f'^3}\left(f'd\beta'-2\,df'\wedge\beta'\right)=0$ . Hence there exists a flat 1-form  $\alpha$  such that  $\beta'=d\alpha$ . Put  $\alpha=\frac{\alpha'}{f'}$ . Then  $\alpha'$  is a flat 1-form, and we

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get  $\beta' = f'^2 d\tilde{\alpha} = f' d\alpha' - df' \wedge \alpha'$ . Finally we have

$$\beta = f'd(\alpha + \alpha') - df' \wedge (\alpha + \alpha').$$

This means  $H_{f'}^2 = 0$ .

Next let us compute  $H^3_{f'}$ . The space of 3-cocycles  $Z^3_{f'}$  is clearly isomorphic to  $\mathcal{F}'$ . And the space of 3-coboundaries  $B^3_{f'}$  is isomorphic to the following space  $\mathcal{F}_1$ .

$$\mathcal{F}_{1} = \left\{ f' \left( \frac{\partial A}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial C}{\partial z} \right) - 4(xA + yB + zC); A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}' \right\}$$

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be the subspace of  $\mathcal{F}'$  consisting of functions which are flat at the origin. Then  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{F}_1$ .

*Proof.* For  $q \in \mathcal{I}$ , put

$$A = (f')^2 \int \frac{q}{(f')^3} dx$$
,  $B = 0$ ,  $C = 0$ .

Then  $f'(\frac{\partial A}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial C}{\partial z}) - 4(xA + yB + zC) = q$ . Hence we have that  $q \in \mathcal{F}_1$ .  $\square$ 

Denote by F' (resp.  $F_1$ ) the formal algebra corresponding to  $\mathcal{F}'$  (resp.  $\mathcal{F}_1$ ). Let T be a mapping from  $\mathcal{F}'$  to F', where T(h) is the formal Taylor expansion of h at the origin. Let  $\pi: F' \to F'/F_1$  be the canonical projection, and put  $\tilde{T} = \pi \circ T$ . Then  $\tilde{T}$  is a surjective linear mapping and it is clear that ker  $\tilde{T} = \mathcal{F}_1$  by Lemma 2.3. Since  $F'/F_1 \cong \mathbb{R}$  by Proposition 2.2, we get that

$$H_{f'}^3 \cong \mathcal{F}'/\mathcal{F}_1 \cong F'/F_1 \cong \mathbb{R}$$
.

Thus we obtained the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.4.** In  $C^{\infty}$ -category, it still holds that  $H_{f'}^0 \cong \mathbb{R}$ ,  $H_{f'}^1 \cong \mathbb{R}$ ,  $H_{f'}^2 = 0$  and  $H_{f'}^3 \cong \mathbb{R}$ .

For the Nambu-Poisson tensor  $\eta = f \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}^4$ , we know that

$$\sharp_2(\Omega^2) = \{ fX | X \in \chi'(\mathbb{R}^4) \}.$$

 $\sharp_2(\Omega^2)$  is denoted by  $\mathfrak{g}$ , which is isomorphic to  $\Omega^2/\ker \sharp_2$ . Note also that  $\Omega^2/\ker \sharp_2$  is isomorphic to  $\Omega'_2$ .  $\mathfrak{g}$  is, of course, a Lie subalgebra of  $\chi(\mathbb{R}^4)$ .

Since  $H_{NP}^0(\mathbb{R}^4, \eta) = \{g \in \mathcal{F} \mid Xg = 0 \text{ for all } X \in \mathfrak{g}\}$ , it is clear that  $H_{NP}^0(\mathbb{R}^4, \eta) \cong C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ .

In computing Nambu-Poisson cohomology, we use Proposition 2.4. To do this, we need the formal Taylor expansion of a function  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  with respect to the variable u, which is denoted by  $\overline{A}$ . In other words, three variables x, y and z are regarded as parameters. And we say that  $\overline{A}$  is the u-formal Taylor expansion of A. This terminology will be also used for differential forms and vector fields. Thus we can express  $\overline{A}$  (similarly  $\overline{B}$  and  $\overline{C}$ ) as follows.

(1) 
$$\begin{cases} \overline{A} = a_0 + ua_1 + u^2 a_2 + \cdots, \\ \overline{B} = b_0 + ub_1 + u^2 b_2 + \cdots, \\ \overline{C} = c_0 + uc_1 + u^2 c_2 + \cdots, \end{cases}$$

where  $a_k$ ,  $b_k$ ,  $c_k \in \mathcal{F}'$ .

To compute  $H_{NP}^k(\mathbb{R}^4, \eta)$ ,  $k \ge 1$ , let us define a linear mapping  $d' : \mathcal{F} \to \Omega_1'$  by

 $d'g = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}dx + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}dy + \frac{\partial g}{\partial z}dz.$ 

This operator d' is naturally extended to a linear mapping from  $\Omega'_k$  to  $\Omega'_{k+1}$ . Moreover we define  $d'_f: \Omega'_k \to \Omega'_{k+1}$  by

$$d'_f(\alpha) = f d' \alpha - k d' f \wedge \alpha, \quad \alpha \in \Omega'_k.$$

Then  $d'_f \circ d'_f = 0$ , and we denote by  $H^*_{d'_f}$  the cohomology space with respect to  $d'_f$ .

If we define  $b: \chi'(\mathbb{R}^4) \to \Omega_2'$  by  $b(X) = i(X) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz$ , then we obtain that  $\sharp_2(b(X)) = fX$  and that  $\sharp_2(\{b(X), b(Y)\}) = [\sharp_2(b(X)), \sharp_2(b(Y))] = [fX, fY]$ .

Following the similar method of P. Monnier [3], if  $\phi: C^k(\Omega_2', \mathcal{F}) \to \Omega_k'$  is defined by

$$\phi(c^k)(X_1, \dots X_k) = c^k(b(X_1), \dots b(X_k)), X_1, \dots X_k \in \chi'(\mathbb{R}^4),$$

then  $\phi$  is a linear isomorphism and we can prove the following.

**Proposition 2.5.** The following diagram is commutative.

$$C^{k}(\Omega'_{2}, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{\phi} \Omega'_{k}$$

$$0 \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow d'_{f}$$

$$C^{k+1}(\Omega'_{2}, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{\phi} \Omega'_{k+1}$$

Hence  $H_{\mathit{NP}}^*(\mathbb{R}^4, \eta) \cong H_{d'_f}^*$ .

*Proof.* We prove only for the case k=1. For  $c\in C^1(\Omega_2',\mathcal{F})$ , put  $\phi(c)=\alpha$ . For any  $X,\ Y\in\chi'(\mathbb{R}^4)$ , we can directly get

$$\{b(X), b(Y)\} = f \cdot b([X, Y]) - (Xf) \cdot b(Y) + (Yf) \cdot b(X),$$

from the definition of the bracket  $\{,\}$  on  $\Omega'_2$ . Using this equation, we have

$$\begin{split} \phi(\partial c)(X,\,Y) &= (\partial c)(b(X),\,b(\,Y)) \\ &= fX \cdot c(b(\,Y)) - fY \cdot c\,(b(X)) - c(\{b(X),\,b(\,Y)\}) \\ &= fX \cdot \alpha(\,Y) - fY \cdot \alpha(X) - c\,(f \cdot b\,([\,X,\,Y])) \\ &+ (Xf) \cdot b\,(Y) - (Yf) \cdot b\,(X)) \\ &= fX \cdot \alpha(\,Y) - fY \cdot \alpha(X) - f\alpha([\,X,\,Y]) \\ &- (Xf) \cdot \alpha(\,Y) + (\,Yf) \cdot \alpha(X) \\ &= f \cdot d'\alpha(X,\,Y) - (d'f \wedge \alpha)(X,\,Y) \\ &= (d'_f\alpha)(X,\,Y) = (d'_f \circ \phi(c))(X,\,Y). \end{split}$$

Thus  $\phi \circ \partial = d'_f \circ \phi$ .

2.2. **Computation of**  $H^1_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta)$ . In this section, we compute  $H^1_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta)$ . In order to do this, we have only to compute  $H^*_{d_f'}$  by Proposition 2.5. The space of 1-coboundaries, which is denoted by  $B_1'$ , is the set of 1-forms fd'g,  $g \in \mathcal{F}$ . Let  $Z_1'$  be the space of 1-cocycles. Then for  $\alpha = A\,dx + B\,dy + C\,dz \in \Omega_1'$ ,  $\alpha$  is an element of  $Z_1'$  if and only if  $fd'\alpha = d'f \wedge \alpha$ . This equation is equivalent to the following three equations.

(2) 
$$\begin{cases} f \cdot \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A}{\partial y}\right) = 2xB - 2yA, \\ f \cdot \left(\frac{\partial C}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial B}{\partial z}\right) = 2yC - 2zB, \\ f \cdot \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial C}{\partial x}\right) = 2zA - 2xC. \end{cases}$$

Note that u-formal Taylor expansion of  $\alpha$  is written as  $\bar{\alpha} = \alpha_0 + u\alpha_1 + u^2\alpha_2 + \cdots$ , where  $\alpha_p = a_p dx + b_p dy + c_p dz$ ,  $a_p$ ,  $b_p$ ,  $c_p \in \mathcal{F}'$ . And three equations (2) have the following formal expression.

(3) 
$$\begin{cases} f \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \overline{B}}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \overline{A}}{\partial y} \right) = 2x\overline{B} - 2y\overline{A}, \\ f \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \overline{C}}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \overline{B}}{\partial z} \right) = 2y\overline{C} - 2z\overline{B}, \\ f \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \overline{A}}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial \overline{C}}{\partial x} \right) = 2z\overline{A} - 2x\overline{C}. \end{cases}$$

Comparing constant terms of u in the both sides of (3), we have

$$\begin{cases}
f' \cdot \left(\frac{\partial b_0}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial a_0}{\partial y}\right) = 2xb_0 - 2ya_0, \\
f' \cdot \left(\frac{\partial c_0}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial b_0}{\partial z}\right) = 2yc_0 - 2zb_0, \\
f' \cdot \left(\frac{\partial a_0}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial c_0}{\partial x}\right) = 2za_0 - 2xc_0.
\end{cases}$$

These three equations (4) essentially appeared in computing  $H^1_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^3, \eta' = f' \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial z})$ . By Proposition 2.4,  $H^1_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^3, \eta')$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}$ . The generator of  $H^1_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^3, \eta')$  is df' and this means that there exist a real number  $k_0$  and a function  $g_0 \in \mathcal{F}'$  such that

(5) 
$$\begin{cases} a_0 = k_0 \cdot 2x + f' \cdot \frac{\partial g_0}{\partial x}, \\ b_0 = k_0 \cdot 2y + f' \cdot \frac{\partial g_0}{\partial y}, \\ c_0 = k_0 \cdot 2z + f' \cdot \frac{\partial g_0}{\partial z}. \end{cases}$$

Since  $\alpha_0=a_0dx+b_0dy+c_0dz$ , we obtain that  $\alpha_0=k_0df'+f'dg_0$ . Similarly if we compare the coefficients of u in the both sides of (3), we can get  $\alpha_1=k_1df'+f'dg_1$ , where  $k_1\in\mathbb{R}$  and  $g_1\in\mathcal{F}'$ . But if we compare the coefficients of  $u^2$  in the both sides of (3), the situation is slightly different. In fact, we have

$$\begin{cases} f' \cdot \left( \frac{\partial b_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial y} \right) + \left( \frac{\partial b_0}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial a_0}{\partial y} \right) = 2xb_2 - 2ya_2, \\ f' \cdot \left( \frac{\partial c_2}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial b_2}{\partial z} \right) + \left( \frac{\partial c_0}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial b_0}{\partial z} \right) = 2yc_2 - 2zb_2, \\ f' \cdot \left( \frac{\partial a_2}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial c_2}{\partial x} \right) + \left( \frac{\partial a_0}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial c_0}{\partial x} \right) = 2za_2 - 2xc_2. \end{cases}$$

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These equations (6) can be rewritten as follows.

$$\begin{cases}
f'\left(\frac{\partial\left(b_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial y}\right)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial\left(a_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial x}\right)}{\partial y}\right) = 2x\left(b_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial y}\right) - 2y\left(a_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial x}\right), \\
f'\left(\frac{\partial\left(c_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial z}\right)}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial\left(b_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial y}\right)}{\partial z}\right) = 2y\left(c_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial z}\right) - 2z\left(b_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial y}\right), \\
f'\left(\frac{\partial\left(a_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial x}\right)}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial\left(c_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial z}\right)}{\partial x}\right) = 2z\left(a_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial x}\right) - 2x\left(c_{2} - \frac{\partial g_{0}}{\partial z}\right).
\end{cases}$$

Thus we can apply Proposition 2.4 to (7), and we have that there exist a real number  $k_2$  and  $g_2 \in \mathcal{F}'$  such that

(8) 
$$\begin{cases} a_2 - \frac{\partial g_0}{\partial x} = k_2 \cdot 2x + f' \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial x}, \\ b_2 - \frac{\partial g_0}{\partial y} = k_2 \cdot 2y + f' \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial y}, \\ c_2 - \frac{\partial g_0}{\partial z} = k_2 \cdot 2z + f' \frac{\partial g_2}{\partial z}. \end{cases}$$

Hence  $\alpha_2=k_2df'+f'dg_2+dg_0$ . By the same methods, we know that each  $\alpha_p$ ,  $(p \geq 3)$  has the form  $\alpha_p=k_pdf'+f'dg_p+dg_{p-2}$ , where  $k_p\in\mathbb{R}$  and  $g_{p-2}$ ,  $g_p\in\mathcal{F}'$ . These mean that  $\bar{\alpha}$  has the following expression. Note that df'=d'f and that  $f'+u^2=f$ .

$$\bar{\alpha} = (k_0 + k_1 u + k_2 u^2 + \cdots) d'f + f \cdot d'(g_0 + ug_1 + u^2g_2 + \cdots).$$

To obtain the final result, we need the following lemma, which is a generalization of E. Borel theorem. This will be proved in the analogous way as K. Abe and K. Fukui, Lemma 4.4 [1]. (See also R. Narasimhan [5], §1.5.2 and §1.5.3.) We put  $\vec{r}=(x,y,z,u)$  and  $|\vec{r}|=\sqrt{x^2+y^2+z^2+u^2}$ . Then a function  $F(\vec{r})\in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^4)$  is said to be m-flat as a function of u at (x,y,z,0) if  $\frac{\partial^\alpha}{\partial u^\alpha}F(x,y,z,0)=0$  for  $\alpha\leq m$ .

**Lemma 2.6.** For each integer  $p \ge 0$ , let  $c_p(x, y, z) \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . Then there exists  $G(\vec{r}) \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^4)$  such that the partial derivatives with respect to the last variable of G at any point  $(x, y, z, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^4$  are

$$\frac{\partial^p G}{\partial u^p}(x, y, z, 0) = p! c_p(x, y, z) \quad p \ge 0.$$

*Proof.* Let  $T_m(\vec{r}) = \sum_{p=0}^m c_p(x, y, z) u^p$  for  $\vec{r} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ . Let  $H(\vec{r}) \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^4)$  such that  $H(\vec{r}) = 0$  for  $|\vec{r}| \le 1/2$ ,  $H(\vec{r}) = 1$  for  $|\vec{r}| \ge 1$  and  $H(\vec{r}) \ge 0$  for any  $\vec{r} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ . For a positive number  $\delta$ , put

$$g_{\boldsymbol{\delta}}(\vec{r}) = H\!\left(\frac{\vec{r}}{\boldsymbol{\delta}}\right) \left(\, T_{m+1}(\vec{r}) - T_m(\vec{r})\,\right).$$

Clearly  $g_{\delta} \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^4)$  and vanishes near 0. Moreover  $T_{m+1} - T_m$  is m-flat as a function of u at any point (x, y, z, 0). Hence as in the proof of Lemma 1.5.2 [5], there exists a positive number  $\delta_m$  such that

$$\sum_{p=0}^m \frac{1}{p!} \left| \frac{\partial^p}{\partial u^p} (g_{\delta_m} - (T_{m+1} - T_m))(\vec{r}) \right| < 2^{-m} \; .$$

Put  $g_m = g_{\delta_m}$ . If we define

$$G = T_0 + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (T_{m+1} - T_m - g_m),$$

then as in the proof of Lemma 1.5.3 [5], we get that the function G is the desired function.

By Lemma 2.6, we obtain that there exist a  $C^{\infty}$ -function k(u) and a  $C^{\infty}$ -function g(x,y,z,u) such that  $\overline{k(u)}=k_0+k_1u+k_2u^2+\cdots$ , and  $\overline{g(x,y,z,u)}=g_0+ug_1+u^2g_2+\cdots$ . Put  $\alpha'=k(u)d'f+fd'g$ , and put  $\alpha-\alpha'=\alpha_f$ . Then  $\alpha_f$  is a 1-cocycle and it satisfies  $\overline{\alpha_f}=0$  (u-flat 1-form). Let  $k_1(u)$  be a flat function of one variable u. Then  $(\alpha_1-k_1(u)d'f)/f$  is a well-defined 1-form on  $\mathbb{R}^4$ , and it satisfies

$$d'\left(\frac{\alpha_f - k_1(u)d'f}{f}\right) = \frac{1}{f^2}\left(fd'\alpha_f - d'f \wedge (\alpha_f - k_1(u)d'f)\right) = 0.$$

Hence, as is easily seen, there exists a flat function  $\tilde{g}(x, y, z, u)$  such that  $(\alpha_f - k_1(u)d'f)/f = d'\tilde{g}$ . And we obtain that  $\alpha \in Z_1'$  has the following form:

$$\alpha = \alpha_f + \alpha' = (k(u) + k_1(u))d'f + fd'(g + \tilde{g}).$$

 $\alpha$  is, by definition, cohomologous to  $(k(u) + k_1(u))d'f$ . Moreover l(u)d'f is contained in  $B'_1$  if and only if l(u) is a flat function at u = 0. In fact, note that in this case l(u) log f is a  $C^{\infty}$ -function and it holds that  $l(u)d'f = fd'(l(u)\log f) \in B'_1$ . Thus we obtain that  $H^1_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4, \eta)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}[[u]]$ , which is the

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space of formal power series of one variable u.

**2.3. Computation of**  $H^2_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta)$ . We will compute  $H^2_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta)$ . By Proposition 2.5, we will compute  $H^2_{d'_f}$ . Every computation proceeds in the analogous way as the case of  $H^1_{d'_f}$ . The space of 2-coboundaries  $B'_2$  is, by definition, the set of 2-forms  $d'_f \gamma = f d' \gamma - d' f \wedge \gamma$ ,  $\gamma \in \Omega'_1$ . Let  $Z'_2$  be the space of 2-cocycles. Then for  $\beta = A \, dy \wedge dz + B \, dz \wedge dx + C \, dx \wedge dy \in \Omega'_2$ ,  $\beta$  is an element of  $Z'_2$  if and only if  $f d' \beta = 2 \, d' f \wedge \beta$ . This is equivalent to

$$(9) \hspace{3cm} f\cdot \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial x}+\frac{\partial B}{\partial y}+\frac{\partial C}{\partial z}\right)=4(xA+yB+zC).$$

*u*-formal Taylor expansion (with respect to *u*) of  $\beta$  is written as  $\bar{\beta} = \beta_0 + u\beta_1 + u^2\beta_2 + \cdots$ , where  $\beta_p = a_p dy \wedge dz + b_p dz \wedge dx + c_p dx \wedge dy$ ,  $a_p$ ,  $b_p$ ,  $c_p \in \mathcal{F}'$ . Then the equation (9) has the following *u*-formal Taylor expansion.

(10) 
$$f \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \overline{A}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \overline{B}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \overline{C}}{\partial z} \right) = 4(x\overline{A} + y\overline{B} + z\overline{C}).$$

Comparing constant terms with respect to u in the both sides of (10), we have

(11) 
$$f' \cdot \left( \frac{\partial a_0}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial b_0}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c_0}{\partial z} \right) = 4(xa_0 + yb_0 + zc_0).$$

This is equivalent to  $d_{f'}\beta_0=0$  for  $\beta_0=a_0dy\wedge dz+b_0dz\wedge dx+c_0dx\wedge dy$ . Recall that  $H^2_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^3,\eta')=0$  by Proposition 2.4. In other words, if  $d_{f'}\beta_0=0$ , then  $\beta_0$  must be a coboundary. This means that we can find a 1-form  $\alpha_0$  such that  $\beta_0=f'd\alpha_0-df'\wedge\alpha_0$ .

Comparing the coefficients of u in the both sides of (10), we can also find a 1-form  $\alpha_1$  such that  $\beta_1 = f' d\alpha_1 - df' \wedge \alpha_1$ . Moreover if  $p \geq 2$  we can find p-form  $\alpha_p$  such that  $\beta_p = f' d\alpha_p - d' f \wedge \alpha_p + d\alpha_{p-2}$ . u-formal Taylor expansion of  $\beta$  is as follows.

$$\begin{split} \bar{\beta} &= \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} u^p \beta_p \\ &= \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} u^p (f' d\alpha_p - d' f \wedge \alpha_p) + \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} u^{p+2} d\alpha_p \\ &= \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} u^p (f' d\alpha_p - d f' \wedge \alpha_p + u^2 d\alpha_p) \\ &= \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} u^p (f d\alpha_p - d' f \wedge \alpha_p) \end{split}$$

$$=\!fd'\!\left(\sum_{p=0}^\infty u^p\alpha_p\right)\!-d'\!f\wedge\!\left(\sum_{p=0}^\infty u^p\alpha_p\right)\!.$$

Put  $\hat{\alpha} = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} u^p \alpha_p$ . Then  $\bar{\beta} = fd'\hat{\alpha} - d'f \wedge \hat{\alpha}$ . By Lemma 2.6, there exists a 1-form  $\alpha' \in \Omega'_1$  such that  $\bar{\alpha}' = \hat{\alpha}$ . Put  $\beta' = fd'\alpha' - d'f \wedge \alpha'$ . Then  $\bar{\beta} = \bar{\beta}'$  and hence if we put  $\tilde{\beta} = \beta - \beta'$ , then  $\tilde{\beta}$  is a flat 2-form of  $\Omega'_2$ . Moreover it is easy to see that  $fd'\tilde{\beta} = 2d'f \wedge \tilde{\beta}$ , which means  $\tilde{\beta} \in Z'_2$ . Then by the same method as the proof of  $H^2_{f'} = 0$  ( $C^{\infty}$ -case), we can prove that there exists a flat 1-form  $\alpha_2$  such that  $\tilde{\beta} = fd'\alpha_2 - d'f \wedge \alpha_2$ . Hence  $\beta$  has the following form:

$$\beta = \beta' + \tilde{\beta} = fd'(\alpha' + \alpha_2) - d'f \wedge (\alpha' + \alpha_2),$$

and thus  $\beta \in B_2'$ . Hence we get  $H^2_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4, \eta) = 0$ .

2.4. **Computation of**  $H_{NP}^3(\mathbb{R}^4, \eta)$ . Let  $Z_3'$  be the space of 3-cocycles. Since  $\Omega_4'$  = 0, it holds that  $Z_3' = \Omega_3'$ . Hence  $Z_3'$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{F}$ . Let  $B_3'$  be the space of 3-coboundaries. Then every element of  $B_3'$  is written as

$$\begin{split} d_f'\beta &= f d'\beta - 2\, d'f \wedge \beta \\ &= \left\{ f \Big( \frac{\partial A}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial C}{\partial z} \, \Big) - 4(xA + yB + zC) \right\} dx \wedge dy \wedge dz, \end{split}$$

where  $\beta = Ady \wedge dz + Bdz \wedge dx + Cdx \wedge dy$  is an arbitrary element of  $\Omega'_2$ .

Put  $\mathcal{B} = \{ f(\frac{\partial A}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial C}{\partial z}) - 4(xA + yB + zC) \mid A, B, C \in \mathcal{F} \}$ . Then, by Proposition 2.5,  $H_{NP}^3(\mathbb{R}^4, \eta)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{B}$ .

**Lemma 2.7.** Put  $\mathcal{I} = \{h \in \mathcal{F} \mid \frac{\partial^p h}{\partial u^p} (x, y, z, 0) = 0, p \ge 0\}$ . i.e., each element h of  $\mathcal{I}$  is u-flat. Then  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{B}$ .

*Proof.* For  $h \in \mathcal{I}$ , it is clear that  $h/f^3$  is an element of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Put  $A = f^2 \int \frac{h}{f^3} \ dx$ , B = 0 and C = 0. Then we have

$$f\Big(\frac{\partial A}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial C}{\partial z}\Big) - 4(xA + yB + zC) = h.$$

Hence  $h \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Put  $\hat{F} = \{\overline{A} \mid A \in \mathcal{F}\}$  and  $\hat{B} = \{\overline{A} \mid A \in \mathcal{B}\}$ . We also denote by  $\mathcal{F}_0'$  the subspace of functions  $g(x, y, z) \in \mathcal{F}'$  with g(0, 0, 0) = 0.

## **Proposition 2.8.** $\hat{F}/\hat{B} \cong \mathbb{R}[[u]].$

*Proof.* For any element  $g = f(\frac{\partial A}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial B}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial C}{\partial z}) - 4(xA + yB + zC) \in \mathcal{B}$ , its u-formal Taylor expansion is

$$\begin{split} \hat{B} \ni \bar{g} &= f \Big( \frac{\partial \overline{A}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \overline{B}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \overline{C}}{\partial z} \Big) - 4(x\overline{A} + y\overline{B} + z\overline{C}) \\ &= \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \Big[ u^p \Big\{ f' \Big( \frac{\partial a_p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial b_p}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c_p}{\partial z} \Big) - 4(xa_p + yb_p + zc_p) \Big\} \\ &+ u^{p+2} \Big( \frac{\partial a_p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial b_p}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c_p}{\partial z} \Big) \Big]. \end{split}$$

Put  $g_p = f'(\frac{\partial a_p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial b_p}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c_p}{\partial z}) - 4(xa_p + yb_p + zc_p)$  and  $h_p = \frac{\partial a_p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial b_p}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c_p}{\partial z}$  for nonnegative integer p. Then every  $\bar{g} \in \hat{B}$  has the following expression.

$$\bar{g} = (g_0 + u^2 h_0) + u(g_1 + u^2 h_1) + \dots + u^p (g_p + u^2 h_p) + \dots$$

First recall that  $H^3_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^3, \eta') \cong \mathbb{R}$  by Proposition 2.4. Hence for any non-negative integer p, it holds that

$$\{g_p \mid a_p, b_p, c_p \in \mathcal{F}'\} = \mathcal{F}'_0.$$

If we put  $W_p = \{g_p + u^2 h_p \mid a_p, b_p, c_p \in \mathcal{F}'\}$ , then  $\bar{g}$  is contained in  $W_0 + uW_1 + \cdots + u^pW_p + \cdots$ . Note that  $h_p$  is not completely determined by  $g_p$ . To show this precisely, let us consider the following linear partial differential equation with three unknown functions  $a, b, c \in \mathcal{F}'$ .

$$(*) \qquad f'\Big(\frac{\partial a}{\partial x}+\frac{\partial b}{\partial y}+\frac{\partial c}{\partial z}\Big)-4(xa+yb+zc)=0\,.$$

We define a subspace  $\mathcal{F}_0''$  of  $\mathcal{F}'$  by

$$\mathcal{F}_0'' = \left\{ \frac{\partial a}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial b}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c}{\partial z} \mid \text{a triplet } (a, b, c) \text{ is a solution of } (*) \right\}.$$

Since (a, b, c) is a solution of the differential equation (\*), there exist three functions  $A, B, C \in \mathcal{F}'$  such that

(12) 
$$\begin{cases} a = f'(Cy - Bz) + 2(zB - yC), \\ b = f'(Az - Cx) + 2(xC - zA), \\ c = f'(Bx - Ay) + 2(yA - xB). \end{cases}$$

Recall that this fact is equivalent to  $H_{f'}^2=0$ . Put  $h=\frac{\partial a}{\partial x}+\frac{\partial b}{\partial y}+\frac{\partial c}{\partial z}$ . If h is an

element of  $\mathcal{F}''_0$ , then it is clear that h vanishes at the origin and hence  $h \in \mathcal{F}'_0$ . Thus  $\mathcal{F}_0''$  becomes a subspace of  $\mathcal{F}_0'$ .

Let

$$\begin{split} g_p &= f' \bigg( \frac{\partial a_p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial b_p}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c_p}{\partial z} \bigg) - 4(xa_p + yb_p + zc_p) \\ &= f' \bigg( \frac{\partial a_p'}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial b_p'}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c_p'}{\partial z} \bigg) - 4(xa_p' + yb_p' + zc_p') \end{split}$$

for two triplets  $(a_p, b_p, c_p)$  and  $(a'_p, b'_p, c'_p)$ . Then we have

$$\begin{split} f'\Big(\frac{\partial \left(a_p-a_p'\right)}{\partial x}+\frac{\partial \left(b_p-b_p'\right)}{\partial y}+\frac{\partial \left(c_p-c_p'\right)}{\partial z}\Big)\\ &-4\{x(a_p-a_p')+y(b_p-b_p')+z(c_p-c_p')\}=0\,. \end{split}$$

Hence

$$h_p - h_p' = \frac{\partial \left(a_p - a_p'\right)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \left(b_p - b_p'\right)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \left(c_p - c_p'\right)}{\partial z}$$

is an element of  $\mathcal{F}_0''$ , where  $h_p' = \frac{\partial a_p'}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial b_p'}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial c_p'}{\partial z}$ . We denote by  $[h_p]$  a coset of  $h_p$ . Namely  $[h_p]$  is an element of  $\mathcal{F}'/\mathcal{F}_0''$ . Using this expression, we know that  $[h_p]$  is uniquely determined by  $g_p$ . Since the set  $\{g_0 + ug_1 + u^2g_2 + \cdots \mid g_k \in \mathcal{F}'_0\}$  spans  $\mathbb{R}[[u]]\mathcal{F}'_0$ , and since  $u^p\mathcal{F}''_0$  is contained in  $\mathbb{R}[[u]]\mathcal{F}'_0$ , we can regard  $W_p$  as

$$W_p = \{g_p + u^2[h_p] \mid g_p \in \mathcal{F}'_0\}.$$

Let  $\phi: W_p \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}'_0$  be a surjective linear mapping defined by  $\phi(g_p + u^2[h_p]) =$  $g_p$ . Then it is clear that  $g_p = 0$  means  $[h_p] = 0$ . Hence  $\phi$  is injective. Thus we obtain that  $\hat{B} \cong \mathbb{R}[[u]]\mathcal{F}'_0$ .

Since

$$\hat{F} = \mathcal{F}' + u\mathcal{F}' + u^2\mathcal{F}' + \cdots$$

$$= (\mathbb{R} + \mathcal{F}'_0) + u(\mathbb{R} + \mathcal{F}'_0) + u^2(\mathbb{R} + \mathcal{F}'_0) + \cdots$$

$$= \mathbb{R}[[u]] \oplus \mathbb{R}[[u]]\mathcal{F}'_0,$$

we obtain that  $\hat{F}/\hat{B} \cong \mathbb{R}[[u]]$ .

Let  $T: \mathcal{F} \to \hat{F}$  be a linear mapping defined by  $T(A) = \overline{A}$ . For any  $q \in T^{-2}(\hat{B})$ , there exists  $Q \in \hat{B}$  such that T(q) = Q. On the other hand, since

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 $T(\mathcal{B}) = \hat{B}$ , there exists  $q_1 \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $T(q_1) = Q$ . Hence  $q - q_1 \in \mathcal{I}$ . By Lemma 2.7, we have  $q \in \mathcal{B}$ , and hence  $T^{-1}(\hat{B}) = \mathcal{B}$ . Thus by Proposition 2.8,

$$\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{B} \cong \hat{F}/\hat{B} \cong \mathbb{R}[[u]].$$

Now we summarize the results obtained in this section.

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $\eta = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + u^2) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$  be a Nambu-Poisson tensor on  $\mathbb{R}^4(x, y, z, u)$ . Then

$$\begin{split} &H^0_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta) \cong C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}), \\ &H^1_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta) \cong \mathbb{R}[[u]], \\ &H^2_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta) = 0, \\ &H^3_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta) \cong \mathbb{R}[[u]], \\ &H^k_{NP}(\mathbb{R}^4,\eta) = 0, \quad k \geq 4. \end{split}$$

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