

This is based on [DK97]. Let V be a four dimensional real vector space with an inner product \langle, \rangle . Let \mathcal{S}^\pm denote the spinor bundles associated to V .

Definition 1. Let \mathcal{H} be a Hermitian inner product space of dimension k , and E_∞ be a Hermitian inner product space of dimension n with determinant form. Let

$$T \in V^* \otimes \mathfrak{u}(k)$$

and $P \in \text{Hom}(E \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^+ \otimes \mathcal{H})$. (By $\text{Hom}(E, \cdot)$ we mean in the category of inner product spaces, so P is isometric.) Then the tuple $(V, \mathcal{H}, E, T, P)$ is called preADHM data.

Definition 2. Fix some preADHM data $(V, \mathcal{H}, E, T, P)$. Then we can define a map

$$R : \mathcal{S}^- \otimes \mathcal{H} \oplus E \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^+ \otimes \mathcal{H}$$

given by

$$R = \sum_{i=1}^4 (T_i - x_i I) \otimes \gamma^*(e_i) \oplus P$$

Definition 3. The preADHM data $(V, \mathcal{H}, E, T, P)$ is ADHM if for all $x \in V$ the map R given in Definition 2 is surjective, and T, P satisfies the moment map condition

$$\mu(T, P) = [T, T]^+ + (PP^*)^+ = 0.$$

Theorem 4 ([Ati+78]). There is a one to one correspondence between ADHM data (up to natural equivalence) and ASD instantons on \mathbb{R}^4 .

To prove one direction, we can define an n dimensional bundle over \mathbb{R}^4 as the kernel of R_x (where we view R as a map between trivial bundles, depending on the parameter x). Then the induced connection, where we pick the trivial flat connection on \mathbb{R}^4 , in the sense of [InducedConnections/Definition 1](#)

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