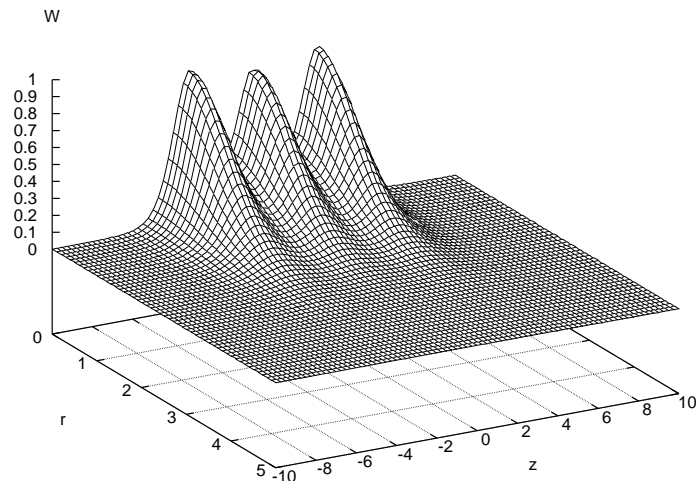


Self-dual and non self-dual axially symmetric $SU(2)$ calorons

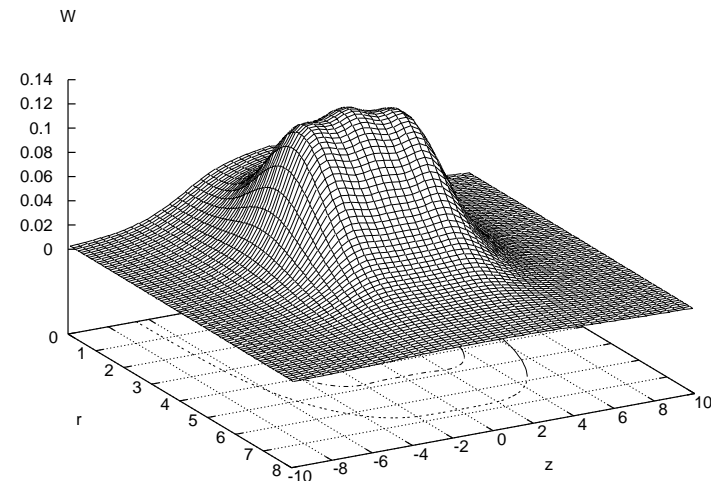
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$n=3, m=1$ caloron: Action density at $\beta = 1.5$



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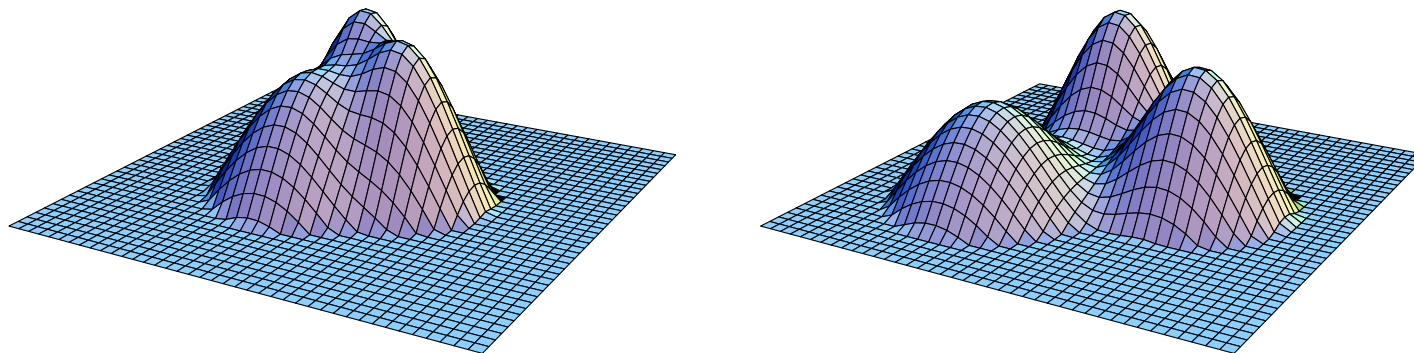
Caloron solution: $SU(2)$ instanton at finite temperature for which A_0 approaches a constant $\beta(\mathbf{r}^a \cdot \sigma^a)$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$. (*Harrington & Shepard (1978)*, *Nahm (1984)*, *Lee & Yi (1997)*, *van Baal & Kraan (1998)*...)

Non-trivial Polyakov loop (holonomy) around S^1 at spacial infinity

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbf{r}) = P \exp \left(\int_0^T A_0(\mathbf{r}, x_0) dx_0 \right), \quad T = \frac{2\pi}{\beta}$$

The period T is the inverse temperature of eucldeial field theory. Non-trivial value of the Polyakov loop modify the vacuum action density and reveal constituent structure of caloron.

Self-dual solution: Charge one periodic $SU(2)$ instanton is build out of monopoles twisted by \mathcal{P} . The BPS constituents are not interacting but the positions of the monopoles depend on β .
Van Baal – Kraan solution (*Phys.Lett.*, B435, 1998):



I. Axially symmetric Ansatz for the $SU(2)$ euclidean Yang-Mills model

$$A_\mu dx^\mu = \left(\frac{K_1}{r} dr + (1 - K_2) d\theta \right) \frac{\tau_\varphi^{(n)}}{2e} - n \sin \theta \left(K_3 \frac{\tau_r^{(n,m)}}{2e} + (1 - K_4) \frac{\tau_\theta^{(n,m)}}{2e} \right) d\varphi;$$

$$A_0 = A_0^a \frac{\tau^a}{2} = \eta \left(K_5 \frac{\tau_r^{(n,m)}}{2} + K_6 \frac{\tau_\theta^{(n,m)}}{2} \right).$$

We define the triplet of spacial unit vectors

$$\hat{e}_r^{(n,m)} = [\sin(m\theta) \cos(n\varphi), \sin(m\theta) \sin(n\varphi), \cos(m\theta)];$$

$$\hat{e}_\theta^{(n,m)} = [\cos(m\theta) \cos(n\varphi), \cos(m\theta) \sin(n\varphi), -\sin(m\theta)];$$

$$\hat{e}_\varphi^{(n)} = [-\sin(n\varphi), \cos(n\varphi), 0]$$

and the $su(2)$ basis

$$\tau_r^{(n,m)} = \tau^a \cdot \hat{e}_r^{(n,m)} = \sin(m\theta) \tau_\rho^{(n)} + \cos(m\theta) \tau_z = \begin{pmatrix} \cos m\theta & \sin m\theta e^{-in\varphi} \\ \sin m\theta e^{in\varphi} & -\cos m\theta \end{pmatrix};$$

$$\tau_\theta^{(n,m)} = \tau^a \cdot \hat{e}_\theta^{(n,m)} = \cos(m\theta) \tau_\rho^{(n)} - \sin(m\theta) \tau_z = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin m\theta & \cos m\theta e^{-in\varphi} \\ \cos m\theta e^{in\varphi} & \sin m\theta \end{pmatrix};$$

$$\tau_\varphi^{(n)} = \tau^a \cdot \hat{e}_\varphi^{(n)} = -\sin(n\varphi) \tau_x + \cos(n\varphi) \tau_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -ie^{-im\varphi} \\ ie^{im\varphi} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\tau_\rho^{(n)} = \cos(n\varphi) \tau_x + \sin(n\varphi) \tau_y$, $\rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = r \sin \theta$

Some properties of the ansatz:

Axial symmetry: Rotations around z -axis can be compensated by an abelian gauge transformation $U = \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{2} \tau_\varphi^{(n)} \omega(r, \theta) \right\}$

Boundary conditions:

Regularity at the origin ($r \rightarrow 0$):

$$K_1(0, \theta) = 0, \quad K_2(0, \theta) = 1, \quad K_3(0, \theta) = 0, \quad K_4(0, \theta) = 1, \\ \sin(m\theta)K_5(0, \theta) + \cos(m\theta)K_6(0, \theta) = 0 \quad \partial_r [\cos(m\theta)K_5(r, \theta) - \sin(m\theta)K_6(r, \theta)]|_{r=0} = 0.$$

$r \rightarrow \infty$:

$$K_1 \rightarrow 0, \quad K_2 \rightarrow 1 - m, \quad K_3 \rightarrow \frac{\cos \theta - \cos(m\theta)}{\sin \theta} \quad (\text{for odd } m), \\ K_3 \rightarrow \frac{1 - \cos(m\theta)}{\sin \theta} \quad (\text{for even } m), \quad K_4 \rightarrow 1 - \frac{\sin(m\theta)}{\sin \theta}, \quad K_5 \rightarrow 1, \quad K_6 \rightarrow 0.$$

Regularity on the z axis ($\theta \rightarrow 0, \pi$):

$$K_1 = K_3 = K_6 = 0, \quad \partial_\theta K_2 = \partial_\theta K_4 = \partial_\theta K_5 = 0,$$

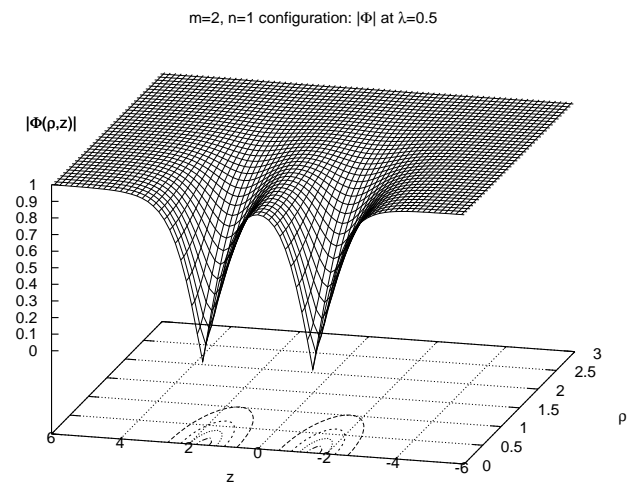
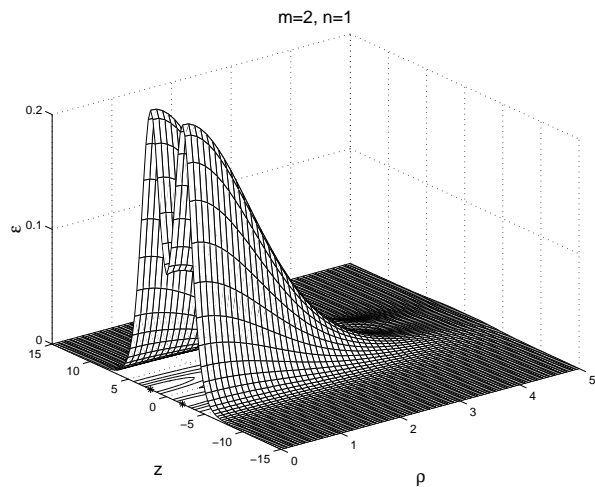
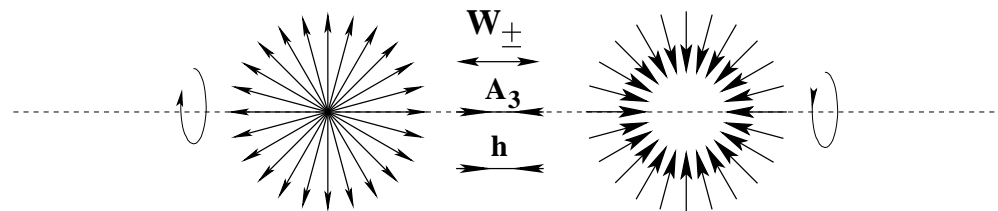
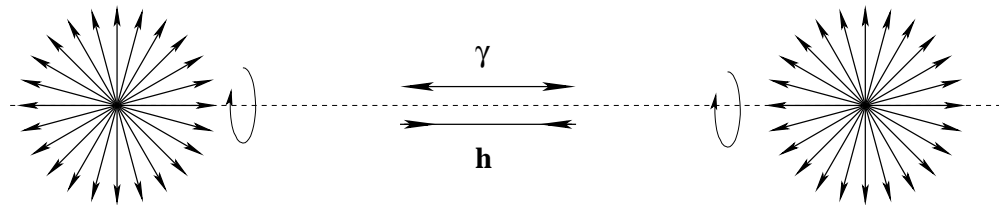
Asymptotic behaviour:

$$\text{for even } m = 2k : A_0 \rightarrow \beta \hat{e}_r^{(n, m)} = \beta U \tau_z U^\dagger, \quad A_k \rightarrow i \partial_k U U^\dagger,$$

$$\text{for odd } m = 2k + 1 : A_0 \rightarrow \beta \hat{e}_r^{(n, m)}, \quad A_\mu \rightarrow U A_{\mu\infty}^{(n, 1)} U^\dagger + i \partial_\mu U U^\dagger,$$

where $U = \exp\{-ik\theta\tau_\varphi^{(n)}\}$ and $A_{\mu\infty}^{(n, 1)}$ is the self-dual charge n instanton solution.

How to construct a magnetic dipole?



Self-dual caloron vs non-self dual caloron

Self-dual caloron:

The Euclidian action

$$S = \frac{1}{2e^2} \int_0^T d\tau \int d^3x \operatorname{Tr} F_{\mu\nu}^2 = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_0^T d\tau \int d^3x \operatorname{Tr} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi^2}{e^2} N$$

The first order self-duality equations $\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} = \pm F_{\mu\nu}$ yield the absolute minimum of the action.

(i) $S = 8\pi^2/e^2 Q$;

(ii) No net interaction between self-dual constituents; Coulomb electromagnetic repulsion is compensated due to long-range scalar interaction.

non-self dual calorons:

(i) They are solutions of second order Yang-Mills equations $\partial_\mu F_{\mu\nu} = 0$;

(ii) $S > 0$, even if $N = 0$ (deformations of the trivial sector);

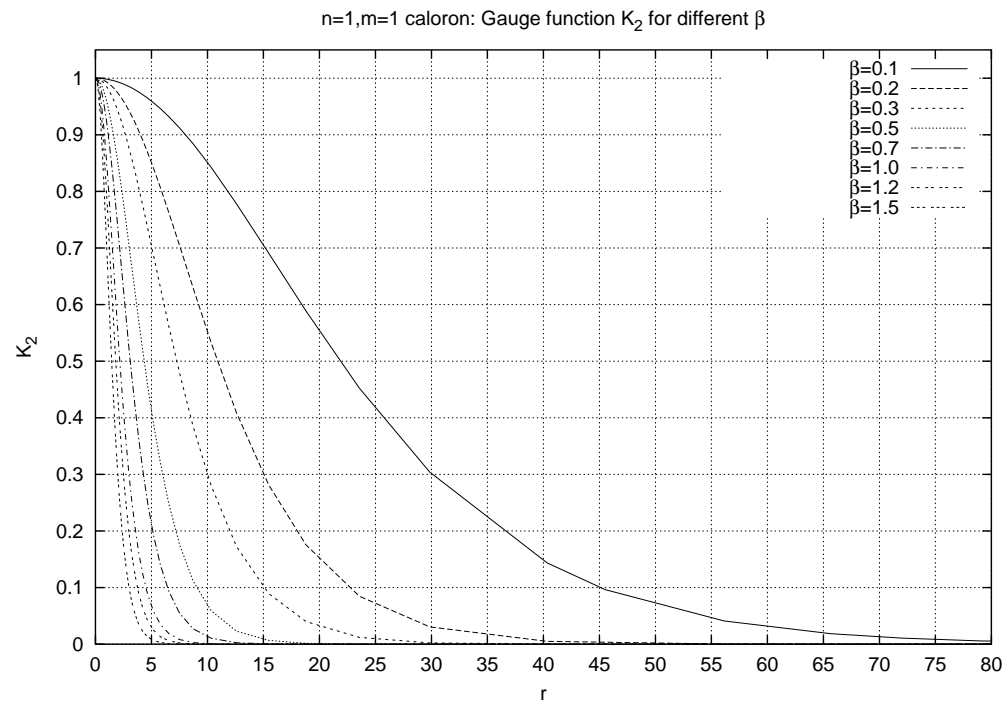
(iii) The constituents are non-BPS monopoles and/or vortices which are in static equilibrium; no long range forces but the separation is small.

II. Numerical results

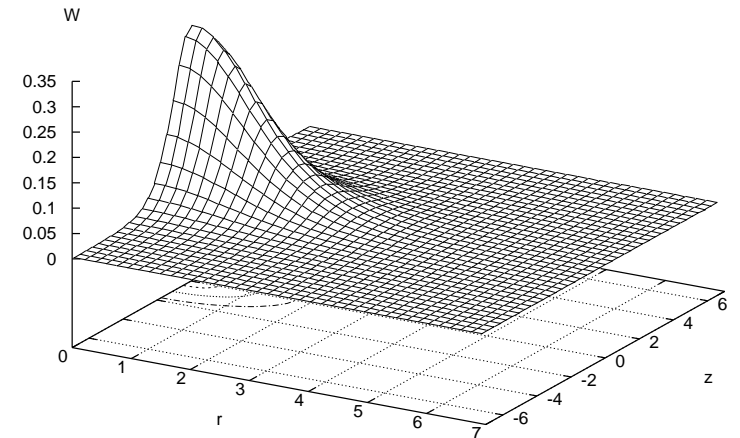
$m=1, \quad n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$ (Self-dual calorons)

Topological charge

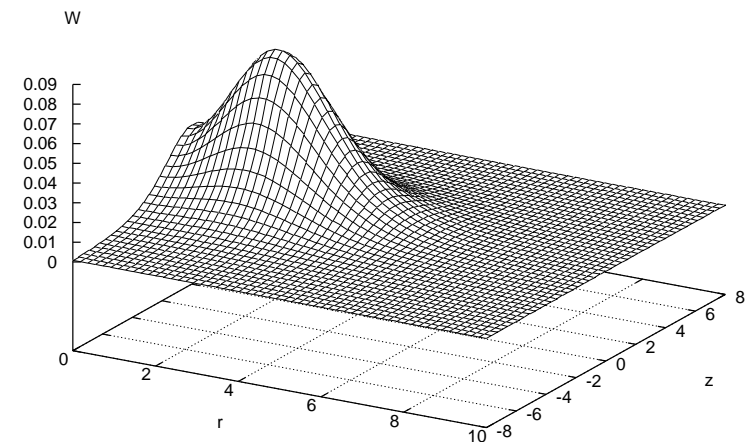
$$N = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_0^T d\tau \int d^3x \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} n (1 - (-1)^m)$$



n=1, m=1 self-dual caloron: Action density at $\beta = 1.0$

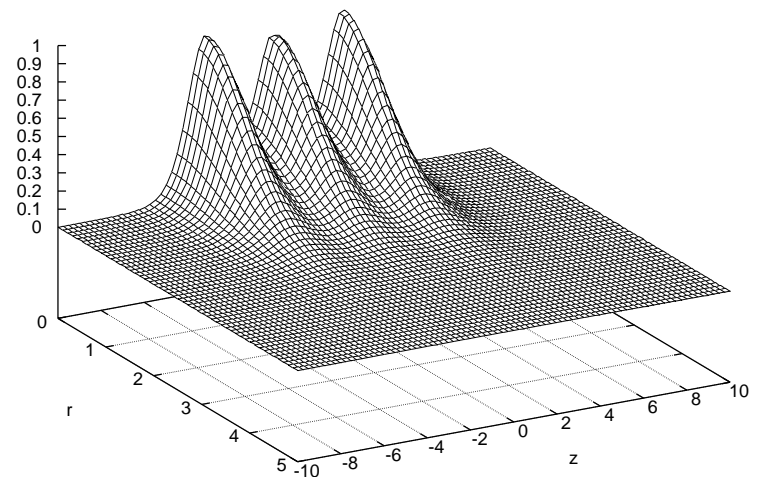
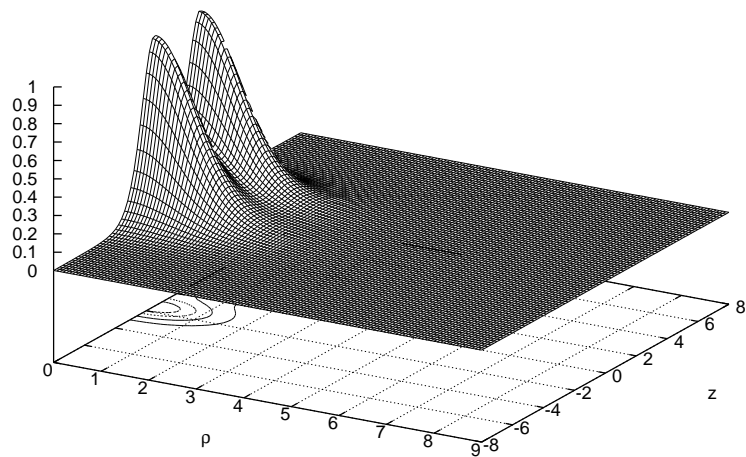
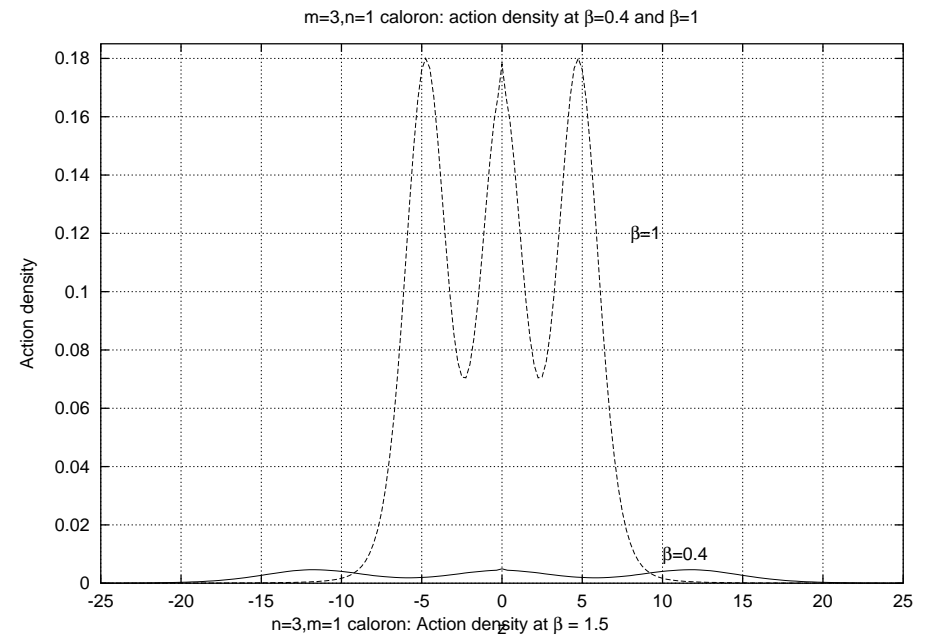
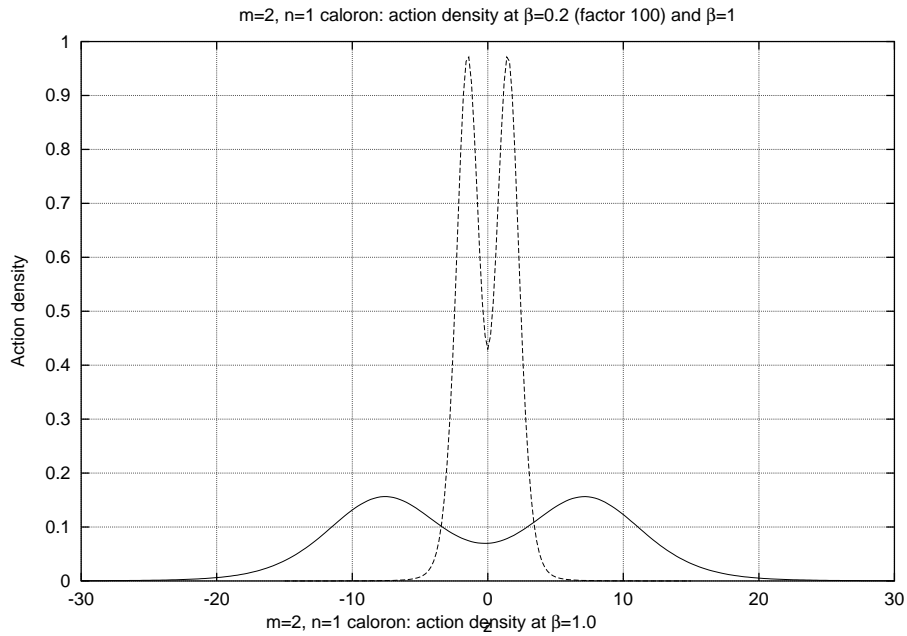


n=1, m=2 self-dual caloron: Action density at $\beta = 1.0$



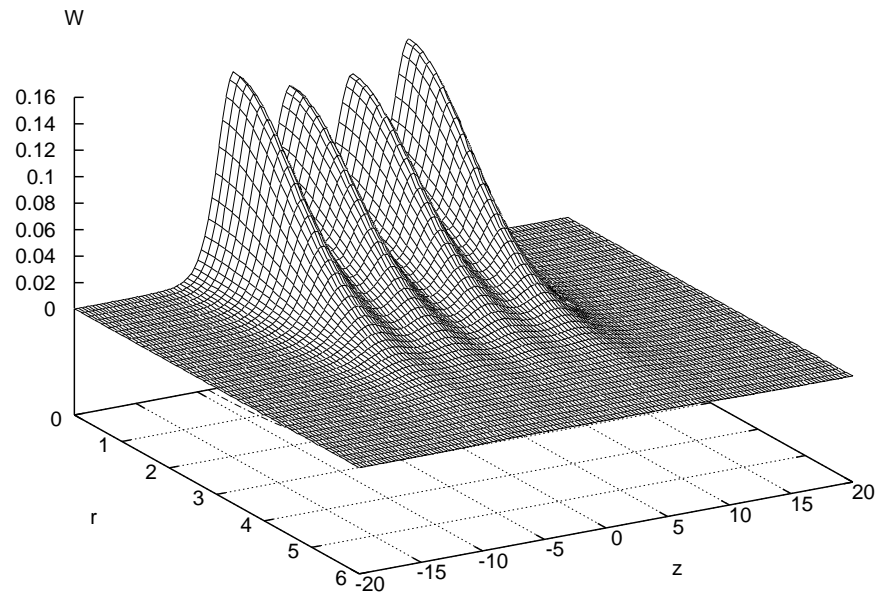
Non self-dual calorons

$n=1,2$ $m=2,3, \dots$ (Monopole-antimonopole chains)

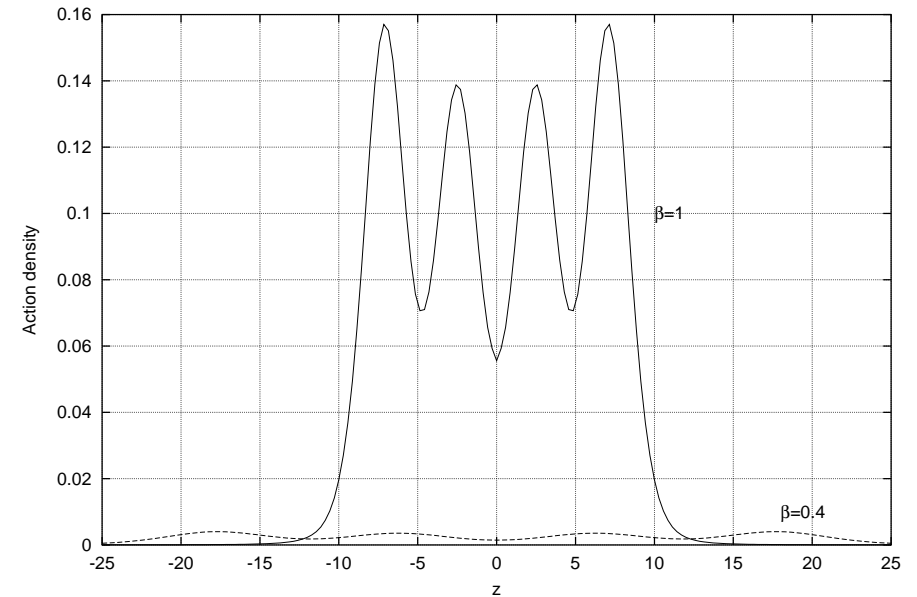


M-A-M-A chain ($n = 1, m = 4$)

$n=4, m=1$ caloron: Action density at $\beta=1$



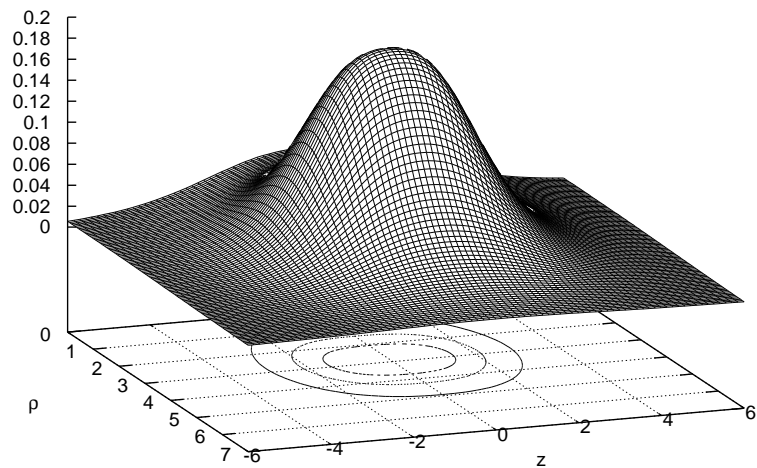
$m=4, n=1$ caloron: action density at $\beta=0.4$ and $\beta = 1$



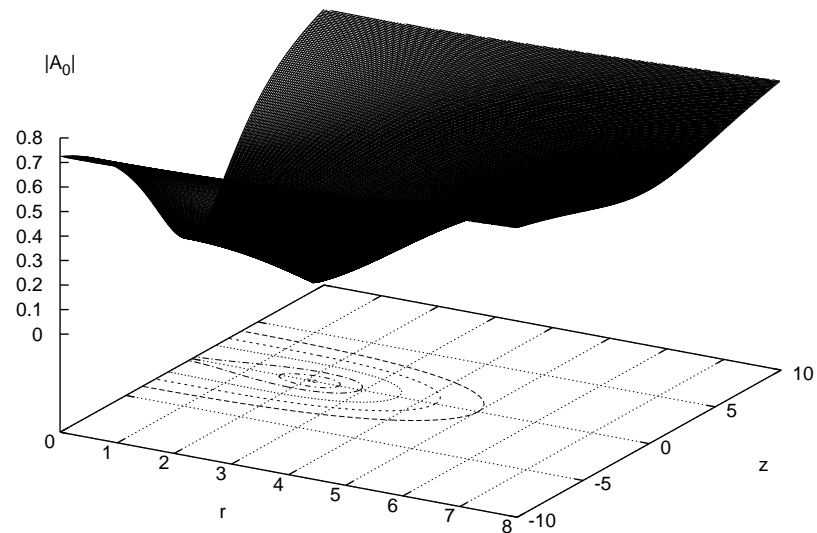
These non-self dual configurations exist as saddlepoints of the action functional
(Non-contractible monopole loops – *Taubes 1981*)

$n=2,3,\dots m=3,4,\dots$ (Vortex-like caloron structures)

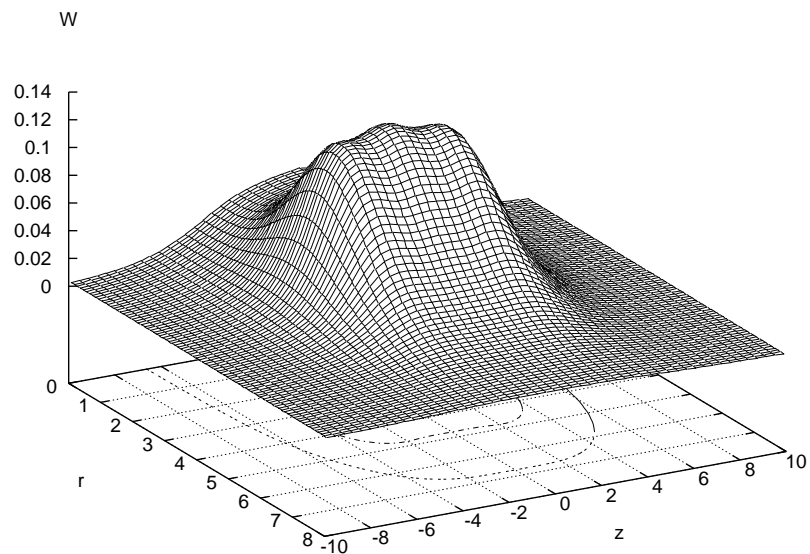
$m=2, n=3$ caloron: action density at $\beta=1.0$



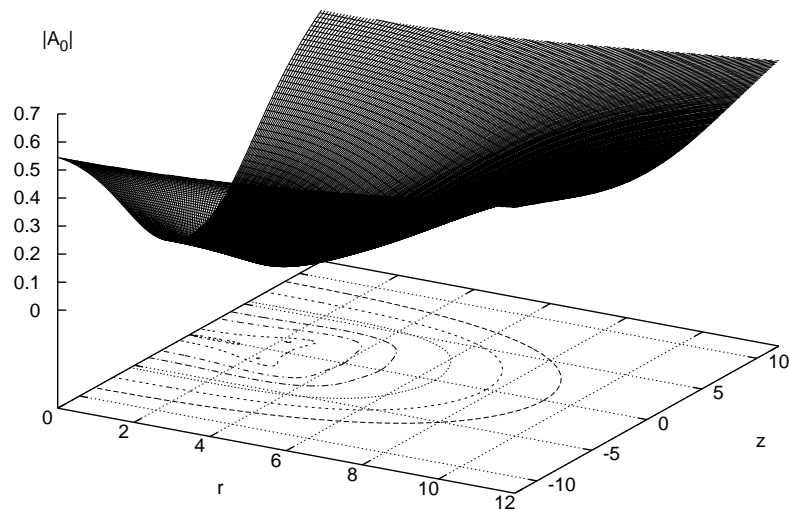
$m=2, n=3$ caloron: $|A_0|$ at $\beta=1$



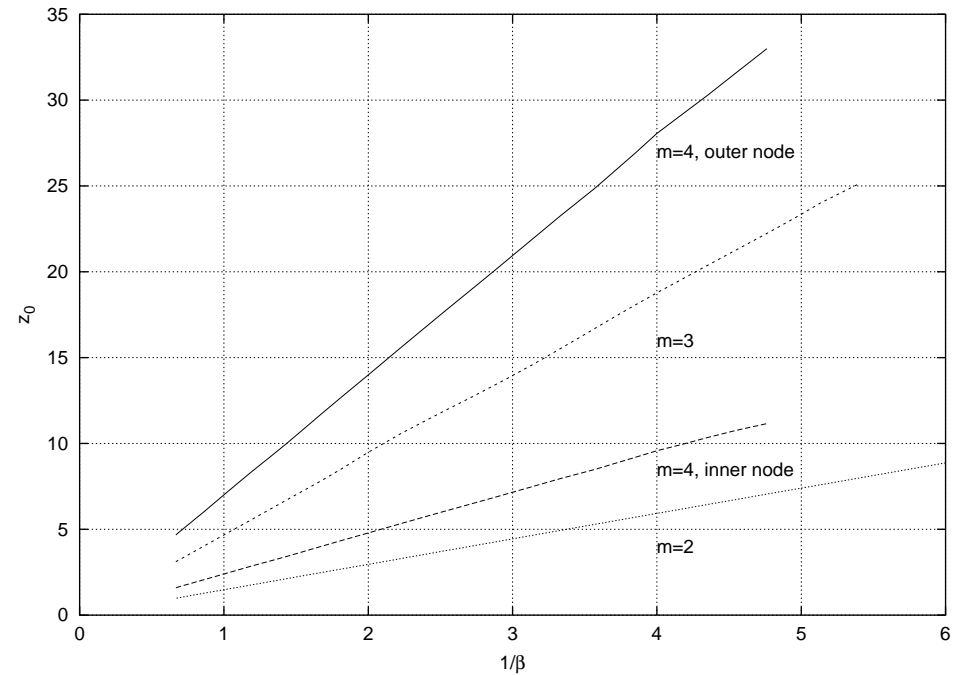
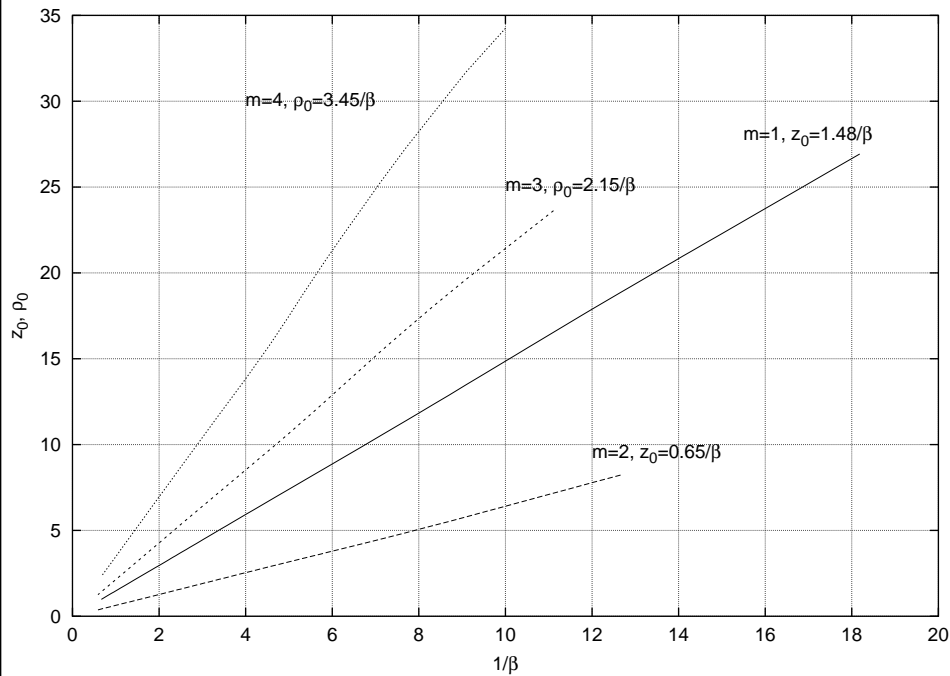
$n=3, m=3$ caloron: Action density at $\beta = 1.5$



$m=3, n=3$ caloron: $|A_0|$ at $\beta=1$



Position of the constituent monopoles as function of temperature



The maxima of the action density, associated with positions of the constituent monopoles, or closed vortices, linearly depend on $1/\beta$.

Summary and outlook

- *New static axially symmetric $SU(2)$ non-self dual caloron solutions are presented;*
- *The constituents of the solutions are monopole-antimonopole chains and circular vortices;*
- *Position of the constituent monopoles linearly depends on $1/\beta$;*
- *Relation with knotted solutions (à la Faddeev-Niemi)?*
- *Further extensions of the model, e.g., interaction with fermions and consideration of $SU(3)$ calorons (work in progress).*