

**SYMPLECTIC STRUCTURES AND VOLUME  
ELEMENTS IN THE FUNCTION SPACE FOR  
THE CUBIC SCHRÖDINGER EQUATION**

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**1. Introduction.** We consider the cubic Nonlinear Schrödinger (NLS) equation

$$i\psi' = -\psi'' + 2|\psi|^2\psi$$

with periodic boundary conditions. It has an infinite series of conserved quantities —integrals of motion  $H_1, H_2, \dots$ . The first three are “classical” integrals:

$$H_1 = \frac{1}{2} \int |\psi|^2 dx = \mathcal{N} = \text{number of particles},$$

$$H_2 = \frac{1}{2i} \int \psi' \bar{\psi} dx = \mathcal{P} = \text{momentum},$$

$$H_3 = \frac{1}{2} \int |\psi'|^2 + |\psi|^4 dx = \mathcal{H} = \text{energy}.$$

The others,  $H_4, H_5, \dots$ , do not have classical names.

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