## An Investigation of the Limiting Behavior of Particle-Like Solutions to the Einstein-Yang/Mills Equations and a New Black Hole Solution

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Abstract: A mathematical investigation of the limiting behavior of particle-like solutions of Einstein-Yang-Mills equations leads to a discovery of a new type of black hole solution.

## 1. Introduction

In the paper [4], we proved the existence of a countably infinite number of smooth, static, spherically symmetric solutions of the Einstein-Yang/Mills equations (EYM) with SU(2) gauge group (first observed by Bartnik and McKinnon in [1]). These solutions are indexed by a bounded real parameter  $\lambda_n$ . Our first objective here is to study the limiting solution corresponding to the parameter value  $\overline{\lambda}$ , where

$$\bar{\lambda} = \lim \lambda_n$$
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and to describe some of the rather interesting mathematical properties of this solution. In particular, we prove that this solution is the first "crashing" solution, (in the sense that a metric coefficient becomes singular) and that this solution crashes at r = 1. Next we show that this degenerate orbit admits (at least) one pseudo-continuation (PC) defined for all r > 1. The concatenation of the  $\bar{\lambda}$ -orbit, defined for r < 1, and the "PC orbit" defined for r > 1, (w(r), w'(r), A(r)), satisfies, (for some subsequence  $\{\lambda_{n_1}\}$  of  $\{\lambda_n\}$ ),

$$\lim_{j\to\infty}(w_{n_j}(r,\lambda_{n_j}),w_{n_j}'(r,\lambda_{n_j}),A_{n_j}(r,\lambda_{n_j}))=(w((r),w'(r),A(r))\,.$$

In addition,  $\lim_{r \nearrow 1} (A(r, \bar{\lambda}), A'(r, \bar{\lambda}), w(r, \bar{\lambda})) = (0, 0, 0) = \lim_{r \searrow 1} (A(r), A'(r), w(r))$ , but neither  $\lim_{r \searrow 1} w'(r)$ , nor  $\lim_{r \nearrow 1} w'(r, \bar{\lambda})$  exists. Now although the  $\lambda_n$ -orbits are all particle-like solutions of the EYM equations, the PC orbit in r > 1 can be interpreted as a

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