

N = 2 Supersymmetric Kinks and real algebraic curves

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Abstract

The kinks of the (1+1)-dimensional Wess-Zumino model with polynomial superpotential are investigated and shown to be related to real algebraic curves.

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The dimensional reduction of the (3+1)-dimensional Wess-Zumino model, produces an interesting (1+1)-dimensional Bose-Fermi system; this field theory enjoys N = 2 extended supersymmetry provided that the interactions are introduced via a real harmonic superpotential, see [1]. In a recent paper [2] Gibbons and Townsend have shown the existence of domain-wall intersections in the (3+1)D WZ model, the authors relying on the supersymmetry algebra of the (2+1)D dimensional reduction of the system. Although the domain-wall junctions are two-dimensional structures, their properties are reminiscent of the one-dimensional kinks from which they are made. In this letter we shall thus describe the kinks of the underlying (1+1)-dimensional system.

The basic fields of the theory are:

Two real bosonic fields, $\phi^a(x)$, $a = 1; 2$ that can be assembled in the complex field: $\phi(x) = \phi^1(x) + i\phi^2(x)$ maps $(R^{1,1}; C)$. $x^\mu = (x^0; x^1)$ are local coordinates in the $R^{1,1}$ Minkowski space, where we choose the metric $g_{\mu\nu}$; $g^{00} = g^{11} = 1; g^{12} = g^{21} = 0$.

Two Majorana spinor fields $\psi^a(x)$, $a = 1; 2$. We work in a Majorana representation of the Clifford algebra $f^{\mu\nu}$; $g = 2g_{\mu\nu}$,

$$f^0_0 = \sigma_3; \quad f^1_1 = i\sigma_1; \quad f^5 = f^0_1 = f^1_0 = \sigma_2$$

where $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$ are the Pauli matrices, such that $f^{\mu\nu} = -f^{\nu\mu}$. We also define the adjoint spinor as $\bar{\psi}(x) = \psi^t(x) \gamma^0$ and consider Majorana-Weyl spinors: $\chi^a(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma^5 \psi^a(x)$ with only one non-zero component.

Interactions are introduced through the holomorphic superpotential: $W(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} W^1(\phi^1; \phi^2) + iW^2(\phi^1; \phi^2)$. One could in principle start from the supercharges:

$$Q^{BC} = \int dx^1 \int_{a \neq b}^X f^{B \ ab} (\partial_0^a - \partial_1^a) \psi^b \quad \int_c^X f^C \ bc \frac{\partial W}{\partial \phi^c} \chi^a$$

where W^B , $B = 1; 2$, are respectively the real part if $B = 1$ and the imaginary part if $B = 2$ of $W(\phi)$ and f^B is either the identity or the complex structure endomorphism in R^2 [3]:

$$f^{B=1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad f^{B=2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} :$$

Nevertheless, the Cauchy-Riemann equations:

$$\frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^1} = \frac{\partial W^2}{\partial x^2} \quad \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\partial W^2}{\partial x^1}; \quad (1)$$

tell us that the theory is fully described by choosing either W^1 or W^2 . We thus set $W^C = W^1$ and find the basic SUSY charges to be $\hat{Q}^{B1} = Q^B$:

$$Q^B = \int dx^1 \int dx^2 \epsilon^{ab} (\partial_0^a - \partial_1^a) \psi^b \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^b} \quad (2)$$

From the canonical quantization rules

$$[\psi^a(x_1), \psi^b(y_1)] = i \epsilon^{ab} (\psi^a(x_1) \psi^b(y_1) - \psi^b(y_1) \psi^a(x_1)) \quad (3)$$

one checks that the $N = 2$ extended supersymmetric algebra

$$f Q^B; Q^C g = 2 \epsilon^{BC} P \quad f Q^B; Q^C g = (\epsilon^1)^B (\epsilon^{BC} 2T + \epsilon^{BC} 2T) \quad (4)$$

is closed by the four generators Q^B , defined in (2). Here

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \int dx^1 \int dx^2 (\partial_0^a - \partial_1^a) (\partial_0^a - \partial_1^a) 2i \psi^a \psi^a + \frac{1}{2} \int dx^1 \int dx^2 \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^a} \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^a} 2i \psi^a \psi^a$$

are the light-cone momenta and

$$T = \int dx^1 \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^1} \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^1} + \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial W^2}{\partial x^1} = dW^1 = W^1(1) - W^1(-1)$$

$$T = \int dx^1 \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^1} \frac{\partial W^2}{\partial x^1} - \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^1} = dW^2 = W^2(1) - W^2(-1)$$

the central extensions.

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From the SUSY algebra one deduces,

$$2P_0 = 2\int dx^1 \int dx^2 (Q^B - (\epsilon^1)^B Q^B)^2 = 2\int dx^1 \int dx^2 (Q^B - (\epsilon^1)^B \epsilon^{BC} Q^C)^2;$$

see [4]. We thus define the charge operators on zero momentum states:

$$Q^1 = Q^1_+ \quad Q^1 = \int dx^1 \int dx^2 \epsilon_1^a \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^a} \psi^a$$

$$Q^2 = Q^2_+ \quad Q^2 = \int dx^1 \int dx^2 \epsilon_1^a \psi^a \epsilon^{ab} \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^b} \psi^c \epsilon^{ac}$$

Spatially extended coherent states built from the solutions of any of the two systems of first order equations, [5]:

$$\frac{d^1}{dx^1} = \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^1} \quad \frac{d^2}{dx^1} = \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^2} \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{d^1}{dx^1} = \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^2} \quad \frac{d^2}{dx^1} = \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^1} \quad (6)$$

have minimum energy because they are respectively annihilated by Q^1 (system (5)) and Q^2 (system (6)). The flow in R^2, C of the solutions of (5) is given by:

$$\frac{d^2}{d^1} = \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^2} \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^1} \quad \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^2} d^1 - \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^1} d^2 = dW^2 = 0$$

If W^1 is polynomial in x , the solutions of (5) live on the real algebraic curves determined by the equation:

$$W^2(x^1; x^2) = \gamma \quad (7)$$

where γ is a real constant. Similarly, the solution flow of (6) in C ,

$$\frac{d^2}{d^1} = \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^1} \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^2} \quad \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^1} d^1 + \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^2} d^2 = dW^1 = 0$$

runs on the real algebraic curves:

$$W^1(x^1; x^2) = \beta \quad (8)$$

where β is another real constant. There are two observations: (I) Solutions of system (5) live on curves for which $W^2 = \text{constant}$ and solutions of (6) have support on curves for which $W^1 = \text{constant}$. (II) The curves that support the solutions of (5) are orthogonal to the curves related to the solutions of (6).

Assume that $W^1(x)$ has a discrete set of extrema, forming the vacuum orbit of the system: $\frac{\partial W^1}{\partial x^i} = 0$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Kinks are solutions of (5) and/or (6) such that they tend to $v^{(i)}$ when x_1 reaches $1 \cdot v^{(i)}$ and $v^{(i)}$ thus belong either to curves (7) or (8), and this fixes the values of γ or β for which the real algebraic curves support kinks. In Reference [6] a general proof based in singularity theory of the existence of these soliton solutions, that counts its number, is achieved. The energies of the states grown from kinks are $P_0 = \int j = W^1(v^{(i)}) - W^1(v^{(j)})$ for solutions of (5) and $P_0 = \int j = W^2(v^{(i)}) - W^2(v^{(j)})$ for solutions of (6). The kink form factor is obtained from a quadrature: one replaces either (7) or (8) in the first equation of (5) or (6) and integrates.

Therefore, the fermionic charges Q^1 and Q^2 are annihilated on coherent states K^1 and K^2 that correspond to the tensor product of the quantum antikink/kink, living respectively on curves $W^2 = \text{constant}$ and $W^1 = \text{constant}$, with its supersymmetric partners (the translational mode times a constant spinor). We end

$$\begin{aligned} Q^1 K^1 &= \int_a^X dx_1 \left[4 \partial_1^a \epsilon_{K^1}^2 - \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^a} \epsilon_{K^1}^3 \right] K^1 = 0 \\ Q_+^2 K_+^2 &= \int_a^X dx_1 \left[4 \partial_1^a \epsilon_{K_+^2}^2 + \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^b} \epsilon_{K_+^2}^3 \right] P_c^{\epsilon_{K_+^2}^a} \epsilon_{K_+^2}^c K_+^2 = 0 \\ Q_-^2 K_-^2 &= \int_a^X dx_1 \left[4 \partial_1^a \epsilon_{K_-^2}^2 - \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^b} \epsilon_{K_-^2}^3 \right] P_c^{\epsilon_{K_-^2}^a} \epsilon_{K_-^2}^c K_-^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

on solutions of (7) and/or (8); the SUSY kinks are thus $\frac{1}{4}$ -BPS states. The energy of these states does not receive quantum corrections [1], because $N = 2$ supersymmetry forbids any anomaly in the central charges.

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We focus on the case in which the potential is:

$$U(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^X \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^a} \frac{\partial W^1}{\partial^a} = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - 2 \left(\frac{x^2}{1} + \frac{x^2}{2} \right)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \cos(n-1) \arctan \frac{x^2}{1} + \left(\frac{x^2}{1} + \frac{x^2}{2} \right)^n \right]$$

see [2] and [7]. In polar variables in the R^2 internal space,

$$(x_1) = + \sqrt{[x_1(x_2)]^2 + [x_2(x_1)]^2}; \quad (x_2) = \arctan \frac{x_2(x_1)}{x_1(x_2)}$$

the potential reads:

$$U(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2} [1 - 2^{n-1} \cos(n-1) + 2^{n-1}] \quad (9)$$

There is symmetry under the $D_{2(n-1)} = Z_2 \times Z_{n-1}$ dihedral group: $0 = \dots$, $0 = + \frac{2j}{n-1}$, $j = 0; 1; 2; \dots; n-2$. In Cartesian coordinates, these transformations form the $D_{2(n-1)}$ sub-group of $O(2)$ given by:

$$(1) \quad 0 = x_2; \quad 0 = x_1$$

$$(2) \quad x_1^0 = \cos \frac{2j}{n-1} x_1 - \sin \frac{2j}{n-1} x_2; \quad x_2^0 = \sin \frac{2j}{n-1} x_1 + \cos \frac{2j}{n-1} x_2$$

The vacuum orbit is the set of $(n-1)$ -roots of unity:

$$M = \{v^{(k)} = e^{i \frac{2\pi k}{n-1}}\} = \frac{D_{2(n-1)}}{Z_2} = Z_{n-1} \quad (10)$$

When the $v^{(k)}$ vacuum is chosen to quantize the theory, the symmetry under the $D_{2(n-1)}$ group is spontaneously broken to the Z_2 sub-group generated by $0 = \frac{2k}{n-1}$; this transformation leaves a fixed point, $v^{(k)}$, if n is even and two fixed points, $v^{(k)}$ and $v^{(k+\frac{n-1}{2})}$, if n is odd.

The Z_{n-1} symmetry allows for the existence of $(n-1)$ harmonic superpotentials that are equivalent: $W^{(j)}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{(j)} \frac{(x^{(j)})^n}{n}$, $(j) = e^{i \frac{2\pi j}{n-1}}$, all of them leading to the same potential U . Thus:

$$W^{(j)1} = \cos(j) \frac{1}{n} \cos n(j) \quad W^{(j)2} = \sin(j) \frac{1}{n} \sin n(j)$$

where $(j) = + \frac{2j}{n-1}$. There is room for closing the $N=2$ supersymmetry algebra (4) in $n-1$ equivalent forms: define the $n-1$ equivalent sets of SUSY charges:

$$Q^{(j)B} = \int dx^1 \sum_{a,b} f^{B ab} (\theta_0^{(j)a} - \theta_1^{(j)a})^{(j)b} \frac{\partial W^{(j)1}}{\partial (j)a}^{(j)b};$$

also in terms of the "rotated" fermionic fields $(j)a$, and the corresponding central charges $T^{(j)}$ and $\bar{T}^{(j)}$. Observe that the $N=2$ supersymmetry is unbroken, while the choice of vacuum that spontaneously breaks the Z_{n-1} symmetry does not affect the physics, which is the same for different values of j .

The j pairs of first-order systems of equations:

$$\frac{d}{dx_1} = \sin(j) \frac{1}{n-1} \sin n(j) \quad \frac{d^2}{dx_1^2} = \cos(j) \frac{1}{n-1} \cos n(j) \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx_1} = \cos(j) \frac{1}{n-1} \cos n(j) \quad \frac{d^2}{dx_1^2} = \sin(j) \frac{1}{n-1} \sin n(j) \quad (12)$$

correspond to (5) and (6) for this particular case. The solutions lie respectively on the algebraic curves

$$\sin(j) \frac{1}{n-1} \sin n(j) = \dots \quad (13)$$

$$\cos(j) \frac{1}{n-1} \cos n(j) = \dots \quad (14)$$

which form two families of orthogonal lines in R^2 . In the family of curves (13) there are kinks joining the vacua $v^{(k)}$ and $v^{(k^0)}$ if and only if:

$$\sin \frac{2(k+j)}{n-1} \frac{1}{n-1} \sin \frac{2(k+j)n}{n-1} = \sin \frac{2(k^0+j)}{n-1} \frac{1}{n-1} \sin \frac{2(k^0+j)n}{n-1} = \dots \quad (15)$$

This fixes the value of $\varphi = \frac{K}{2}$ for which the algebraic curve supports a topological kink. Similarly,

$$\cos \frac{2(k+j)}{n-1} = \frac{1}{n} \cos \frac{2(k+j)n}{n-1} = \cos \frac{2(k^0+j)}{n-1} = \frac{1}{n} \cos \frac{2(k^0+j)n}{n-1} = \frac{K}{2} \quad (16)$$

is the value of the constant if the kink belongs to the orthogonal family (14). Solutions of (15) and/or (16) exist, respectively, if and only if

$$2(k+k^0+2j) = (n-1) \pmod{2(n-1)} \quad (17)$$

and/or

$$k+k^0+2j = 0 \pmod{n-1} \quad (18)$$

Given the kink curves, the kink form factors are obtained in the following way: One solves for φ in (13) or (14),

$$+ \frac{2j}{n-1} = h\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right) \quad ; \quad + \frac{2j}{n-1} = h_2\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right) \quad (19)$$

and plugs these expressions into the first equation of (12) or (11),

$$\frac{d}{dx_1} = \sinh\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right)^{n-1} \sin[nh\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right)] \quad ; \quad \frac{d}{dx_1} = \cosh_2\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right)^{n-1} \cos[nh_2\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right)]$$

which are immediately integrated by quadratures: if a is an integration constant

$$\int \frac{d}{\sinh\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right)^{n-1} \sin[nh\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right)]} = (x_1 + a) \quad (20)$$

$$\int \frac{d}{\cosh_2\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right)^{n-1} \cos[nh_2\left(\frac{K}{2}; \varphi\right)]} = (x_1 + a) \quad (21)$$

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We first consider the lower odd cases, only for $W^{(j=0)}$. The other kinks are obtained by application of a Z_{n-1} rotation.

$n = 3$:

$$\{ \text{Superpotential: } W(\varphi) = \frac{1}{2} \varphi^3 - \frac{3}{2} \varphi \}$$

$$W^1 = \frac{1}{3} \varphi^3 + \frac{1}{2} \varphi \quad ; \quad W^2 = \frac{2}{3} \varphi^3 + \frac{1}{2} \varphi$$

$$\{ \text{Potential: } U(\varphi_1; \varphi_2) = \frac{1}{2} [(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)^2 + 4\varphi_1\varphi_2] \}$$

$$\{ \text{Vacuum orbit: } M = \frac{D_2}{Z_2} = f v^0 = 1; v^1 = 1/g \}$$

{ Real algebraic curves:

$$\frac{1}{3} \varphi^3 + \frac{1}{2} \varphi = 0 \quad ; \quad \frac{2}{3} \varphi^3 + \frac{1}{2} \varphi = 0$$

{ Kink curve: $\varphi = 0$ ($W^2 = 0$), tantamount to $\varphi_2 = 0$.

{ Kink form factor:

$$\text{a) Solutions of } \frac{d-1}{dx_1} = (1 - \frac{2}{3}) \text{ on } \varphi^2 = 0: \quad \frac{K^1}{1}(\varphi_1) = \tanh(\varphi_1 + a)$$

$$\{ \text{Kink energy: } P_0[K^1] = \int j = W^1(v^0) - W^1(v^1) = \frac{4}{3} \}$$

{ Conserved SUSY charge: $Q^1 K^1 = 0$

n = 5:

{ Superpotential: $W(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}x_1^5 - \frac{x_2^5}{5}$

$$W^1 = x_1^4 - \frac{4}{5}x_1 + 2\frac{x_2^2}{1} \frac{x_2^2}{2} - \frac{4}{2}x_2 \quad W^2 = x_2^4 - \frac{4}{1}x_2 + 2\frac{x_1^2}{1} \frac{x_1^2}{2} - \frac{4}{5}x_1$$

{ Potential: $U(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}[(x_1 + 1)^2 - 4\frac{x_2^2}{1}][(x_1 + 1)^2 - 4\frac{x_2^2}{2}]$

{ Vacuum orbit: $M = \frac{D_4}{Z_2} = fv^0 = 1; v^1 = i; v^2 = -1; v^3 = -ig$

{ Real algebraic curves:

$$x_1^4 - \frac{4}{5}x_1 + 2\frac{x_2^2}{1} \frac{x_2^2}{2} - \frac{4}{2}x_2 = 0; \quad x_2^4 - \frac{4}{1}x_2 + 2\frac{x_1^2}{1} \frac{x_1^2}{2} - \frac{4}{5}x_1 = 0$$

{ Kink curves: a) $x_2 = 0, x_1 = 0$, b) $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0$.

{ Kink form factor:

a) Solutions of $\frac{d_1}{dx_1} = 1 - \frac{4}{1}x_1$ on $x_2 = 0$: $\arctan x_1^{K^1} + \operatorname{arctanh} x_1^{K^1} = 2(x_1 + a)$

b) Solutions of $\frac{d_2}{dx_1} = 1 - \frac{4}{2}x_2$ on $x_1 = 0$: $\arctan x_2^{K^2} + \operatorname{arctanh} x_2^{K^2} = 2(x_1 + a)$

{ Kink energies: (a) $P_0[K^1] = \int \Gamma_j = W^1(v^0) - W^1(v^2) = \frac{8}{5}$

(b) $P_0[K^2] = \int \Gamma_j = W^2(v^1) - W^2(v^3) = \frac{8}{5}$

{ Conserved SUSY charges: (a) $Q^1 K^1 = 0$; (b) $Q^2 K^2 = 0$

n = 7:

{ Superpotential: $W(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}x_1^7 - \frac{x_2^7}{7}$

$$W^1 = x_1^6 - \frac{6}{7}x_1 + 3\frac{x_2^5}{1} \frac{x_2^2}{2} - 5\frac{x_2^3}{1} \frac{x_2^4}{2} + \frac{6}{1}x_2^2 \quad W^2 = x_2^6 - \frac{6}{1}x_2 + 5\frac{x_1^4}{1} \frac{x_1^3}{2} - 3\frac{x_1^2}{1} \frac{x_1^5}{2} + \frac{7}{2}x_1$$

{ Potential: $U(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^6 - 2(\frac{x_2^2}{1} \frac{x_2^2}{2})(x_1^2)^2 - 16\frac{x_1^2}{1} \frac{x_2^2}{2} + 1$

{ Vacuum orbit:

$$M = \frac{D_6}{Z_2} = v^0 = 1; v^1 = \frac{1}{2} + i\frac{p\sqrt{3}}{2}; v^2 = \frac{1}{2} + i\frac{p\sqrt{3}}{2}; v^3 = -1; v^4 = \frac{1}{2} - i\frac{p\sqrt{3}}{2}; v^5 = \frac{1}{2} - i\frac{p\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

{ Real algebraic curves:

$$x_1^6 - \frac{6}{7}x_1 + 3\frac{x_2^5}{1} \frac{x_2^2}{2} - 5\frac{x_2^3}{1} \frac{x_2^4}{2} + \frac{6}{1}x_2^2 = 0; \quad x_2^6 - \frac{6}{1}x_2 + 5\frac{x_1^4}{1} \frac{x_1^3}{2} - 3\frac{x_1^2}{1} \frac{x_1^5}{2} + \frac{7}{2}x_1 = 0$$

{ Kink curves: there are two choices of x_2 and three choices of x_1 for which one finds kink curves. The other kinks associated with the other superpotentials can be obtained by Z_6 rotations.

a) $x_2 = \frac{3^p\sqrt{3}}{7}$: kink curve joining v^1 with v^2
 $x_2 = \frac{3^p\sqrt{3}}{7}$: kink curve joining v^4 with v^5

b) $x_1 = \frac{3}{7}$: kink curve joining v^1 with v^5
 $x_1 = \frac{3}{7}$: kink curve joining v^2 with v^4

c) $x_1 = 0$: kink curve joining v^0 with v^3

{ Kink energies: a) $P_0[K^1] = \int \Gamma_j = \int W^1(v^k) - W^1(v^{k+1}) = \frac{6}{7}$

b) $P_0[K^2] = \int \Gamma_j = \int W^2(v^k) - W^2(v^{k+2}) = \frac{6^p\sqrt{3}}{7}$

c) $P_0[K^1] = \int \Gamma_j = \int W^2(v^k) - W^1(v^{k+3}) = \frac{12}{7}$

{ Conserved SUSY charges: (a) $Q^1 K^1 = 0$. (b) and (c) $Q^2 K^2 = 0$

We now study two even cases.

The first and most interesting model occurs for $n = 4$. Here, we find that the kink curves are straight lines in W -space (true for any n) and curved in z -space, in agreement with Reference [8]:

$$\{ \text{Superpotential: } W[z] = \frac{1}{2} z^4 - \frac{4}{4} z^2 \}$$

$$W^1 = z_1^4 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{2} z_1^2 z_2^2 - \frac{2}{4} z_2^4 \quad W^2 = z_2^4 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{2} z_1^2 z_2^2 - \frac{2}{4} z_1^4$$

$$\{ \text{Potential: } U(z_1; z_2) = \frac{1}{2} (z_1^4 - z_2^4)^2 - 2 z_1^2 z_2^2 + 1 \}$$

$$\{ \text{Vacuum orbit: } M = \frac{D_3}{2_2} = f v^0 = 1; v^1 = \frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}; v^2 = \frac{1}{2} - i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} g \}$$

{ Real algebraic curves:

$$z_1^4 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{2} z_1^2 z_2^2 - \frac{2}{4} z_2^4 = 0; \quad z_2^4 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{2} z_1^2 z_2^2 - \frac{2}{4} z_1^4 = 0$$

$$\{ \text{Kink curve: } z = \frac{3}{8} \}$$

{ Kink form factor: on the kink curve we find $K^2 = f^{-1}[(x+a)]$ where

$$f(z) = \frac{z^4 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{2} z^2 + \frac{2}{4}}{z^4 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{2} z^2 - \frac{2}{4}}$$

$$\{ \text{Kink energy: } P_0[K^2] = \int j = \int W^2(v^k) - W^2(v^{k+1}) j = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4} \}$$

$$\{ \text{Conserved SUSY charge: } Q^2 K^2 = 0 \}$$

$n = 6$:

$$\{ \text{Superpotential: } W[z] = \frac{1}{2} z^6 - \frac{6}{6} z^4 \}$$

$$W^1 = z_1^6 - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{5}{2} z_1^4 z_2^2 - \frac{5}{2} z_1^2 z_2^4 + \frac{6}{6} z_2^6$$

$$W^2 = z_2^6 - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{5}{2} z_1^2 z_2^4 - \frac{10}{3} z_1^4 z_2^2 + \frac{6}{6} z_1^6$$

$$\{ \text{Potential: } U(z_1; z_2) = \frac{1}{2} (z_1^6 - z_2^6)^2 - 2 z_1^4 z_2^2 + 5 z_1^2 z_2^4 - 10 z_1^2 z_2^2 + 1 \}$$

$$\{ \text{Vacuum orbit: } M = \frac{D_5}{2_2} = f v^0 = 1; v^1 = e^{i\frac{2}{5}}; v^2 = e^{i\frac{4}{5}}; v^3 = e^{i\frac{6}{5}}; v^4 = e^{i\frac{8}{5}} g \}$$

{ Real algebraic curves:

$$z_1^6 - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{5}{2} z_1^4 z_2^2 - \frac{5}{2} z_1^2 z_2^4 + \frac{6}{6} z_2^6 = 0; \quad z_2^6 - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{5}{2} z_1^2 z_2^4 - \frac{10}{3} z_1^4 z_2^2 + \frac{6}{6} z_1^6 = 0$$

{ Kink curves: there are two values of z giving kink curves: a) $z = \frac{5}{24}(1 + \sqrt{5})$: kink curve joining v^2 with v^3 , b) $z = \frac{5}{24}(1 - \sqrt{5})$: kink curve joining v^1 with v^4 . The other kink curves are obtained through Z_5 rotations.

$$\{ \text{Kink energies: a) } P_0[K^2] = \int j = \int W^2(v^k) - W^2(v^{k+1}) j = \frac{5}{6} \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \}$$

$$\text{b) } P_0[K^2] = \int j = \int W^2(v^k) - W^2(v^{k+2}) j = \frac{5}{6} \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\{ \text{Conserved SUSY charges: (a) and (b) } Q^2 K^2 = 0 \}$$

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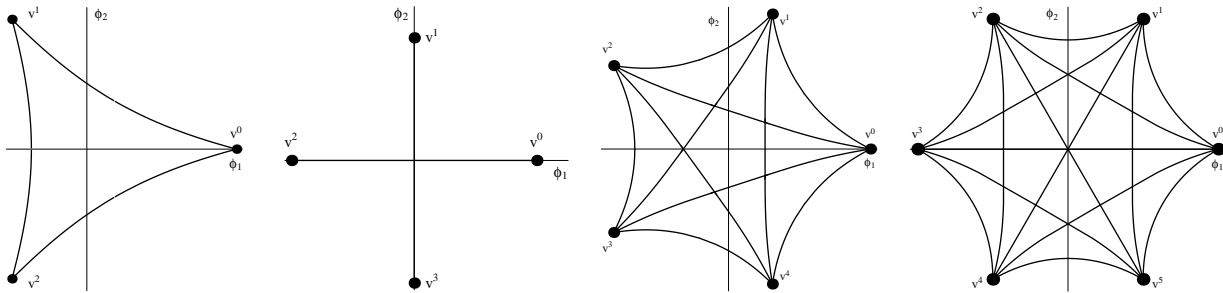


Figure 1: Kink curves in the $n = 4$, $n = 5$, $n = 6$ and $n = 7$ models