

This motivates us to define a superpotential  $W$  as

$$W = \sqrt{S_0^2 + S_3^2} \quad (1)$$

Unfortunately, this superpotential does *not* allow one to write the BPS equations for both  $\phi^0$  and  $\phi^3$  as gradient flow equations. The reason for this failure is that the integrability condition required to convert the BPS equation into a gradient flow form is not satisfied; see e.g. Appendix C.2.1 of . We thus follow the strategy of to construct an approximate superpotential. Our model consists of two consistent truncations that admit flat domain walls and an exact superpotential. These are the  $\phi^3 = 0, \phi^0 \neq 0$  truncation and the  $\phi^0 = 0, \phi^3 \neq 0$  truncation. The corresponding flow equations are (we set  $\eta = -1$  henceforth)

$$\phi^{0'} = -8 \partial_{\phi^0} W|_{\phi^3=0} \quad \phi^{3'} = 8 \partial_{\phi^3} W|_{\phi^0=0} \quad (2)$$

respectively. In either truncation, the BPS equations for the warp factor and dilaton  $\sigma$  can be put in the following form,

$$f' = 2W \quad \sigma' = 2\partial_\sigma W \quad (3)$$

An important fact is that, though the gradient flow equations do not hold exactly in the full model with  $\phi^0 \neq 0, \phi^3 \neq 0$ , they *do* hold up to and including  $O(z^5)$ . Looking at the form of the UV asymptotics of the scalar fields, one may expand the superpotential of keeping only terms contributing up to this order. This gives

$$W = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4}\sigma^2 + \frac{1}{16}(\phi^0)^2 - \frac{3}{16}(\phi^3)^2 + \frac{1}{192}(\phi^0)^4 - \frac{3}{16}(\phi^0)^2\sigma + \dots \quad (4)$$

where the dots represent terms of order  $O(z^6)$ . This is the approximate superpotential we will use in what follows.

### 0.0.1 Bogomolnyi trick

We now use the Bogomolnyi trick to get the finite counterterms needed to preserve supersymmetry in the case of a flat domain wall. The central idea of the Bogomolnyi trick is that for a BPS solution, the renormalized on-shell action must vanish. In order to make use of this fact, we will first want to recast the on-shell action in a simpler form. To do so, we begin by inserting. We find that

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}R - 20W^2 + 2\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} \quad (5)$$

where we've defined

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} = (\sigma')^2 + \frac{1}{4} \left[ -(\phi^{3'})^2 + \cos^2 \phi^3 (\phi^{0'})^2 \right] \quad (6)$$