# Many faces of two-dimensional supersymmetric CP(N-1) model

#### B.1 O(3) sigma model

Supersymmetric extension of the O(3) sigma model in the form discussed in this section was suggested in Refs. [7, 237]. We refer the reader to the book [238] for a pedagogical discussion of the non-supersymmetric O(3) sigma model.

One can construct supersymmetric sigma model in terms of two-dimensional  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  superfields as follows. Let us introduce a triplet of real superfields  $N^a$ ,

$$N^{a}(x,\theta) = S^{a}(x) + \bar{\theta}\chi^{a}(x) + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\theta}\theta F^{a}(x), \quad a = 1, 2, 3,$$
(B.1)

where  $\theta$  is a two-component Majorana (real) spinor ( $\bar{\theta} = \theta \gamma^0$ ),  $\chi^a$  is a twocomponent Majorana fermion field and  $F^a$  is an auxiliary boson field which will enter in the Lagrangian with no kinetic term. The superfield  $N^a(x, \theta)$  is subject to the constraint

$$N^{a}(x,\theta)N^{a}(x,\theta) = 1.$$
(B.2)

In components this is equivalent to

$$S^{a}S^{a} = 1, \quad S^{a}\chi^{a} = 0, \quad S^{a}F^{a} = \frac{1}{2}\,\bar{\chi}^{a}\chi^{a}.$$
 (B.3)

The action of the model takes the form

$$S = \frac{1}{2g_0^2} \int d^2 x \, d^2 \theta \, \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta} (D_{\alpha} N^a) (D_{\beta} N^a)$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{g_0^2} \int d^2 x \left[ \frac{1}{2} (\partial_{\mu} S^a)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \, \bar{\chi}^a i \gamma^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \chi^a + \frac{1}{8} \, (\bar{\chi} \chi)^2 \right]$  (B.4)

where  $g_0^2$  is the (bare) coupling constant and

$$D_{\alpha} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}_{\alpha}} - i(\gamma^{\mu}\theta)_{\alpha} \,\partial_{\mu}. \tag{B.5}$$

This model describes two independent (real) degrees of freedom in the bosonic and fermionic sectors. The interaction inherent to this model is due to the constraints (B.3) and the four-fermion term in (B.4). The model is O(3) symmetric, by construction. Also by construction it has  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 1)$  supersymmetry (i.e. one lefthanded real supercharge, and one right-handed). In fact this model has an extended  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  supersymmetry (more exactly,  $\mathcal{N} = (2, 2)$ ). The occurrence of two extra supercharges (four altogether) is automatic and is explained by the fact that the target space of the bosonic sector is  $S^2$ , which is a Kähler manifold. Minimal  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 1)$  supersymmetrization of any Kählerian sigma model automatically produces  $\mathcal{N} = (2, 2)$  supersymmetry. Further details can be found in the review paper [156].

## B.2 CP(1) sigma model

The same model expressed in terms of unconstrained variables is usually referred to as the CP(1) model. If the unit vector  $S^a$  parametrizes the sphere, one can pass to unconstrained variables by performing the stereographic projection of the sphere onto the complex  $\phi$  plane,

$$\phi = \frac{S^1 + iS^2}{1 + S^3}.$$
 (B.6)

The complex field  $\phi$  replaces two independent components of  $S^a$ . The unconstrained two-component *complex* fermion field  $\psi$  is introduced as follows:

$$\psi = \frac{\chi^1 + i\chi^2}{1 + S^3} - \frac{S^1 + iS^2}{(1 + S^3)^2} \chi^3.$$
(B.7)

The inverse transformations have the form

$$S^{1} = \frac{2(\operatorname{Re}\phi)}{1+|\phi|^{2}}, \quad S^{2} = \frac{2(\operatorname{Im}\phi)}{1+|\phi|^{2}}, \quad S^{3} = \frac{1-|\phi|^{2}}{1+|\phi|^{2}}$$
 (B.8)

and

$$\chi^{1} = \frac{2(\operatorname{Re}\psi)}{1+|\phi|^{2}} - \frac{2(\operatorname{Re}\phi)[\phi^{\dagger}\psi + \operatorname{H.c.}]}{(1+|\phi|^{2})^{2}},$$

$$\chi^{2} = \frac{2(\operatorname{Im}\psi)}{1+|\phi|^{2}} - \frac{2(\operatorname{Im}\phi)[\phi^{\dagger}\psi + \text{H.c.}]}{(1+|\phi|^{2})^{2}},$$
  
$$\chi^{3} = -2\frac{[\phi^{\dagger}\psi + \text{H.c.}]}{(1+|\phi|^{2})^{2}}.$$
(B.9)

Substituting Eqs. (B.8) and (B.9) in the action (B.4) we get [239]

$$L_{\text{CP}(1)} = G \left\{ \partial_{\mu} \phi^{\dagger} \partial^{\mu} \phi + i \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \psi - \frac{2i}{\chi} \phi^{\dagger} \partial_{\mu} \phi \, \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} \psi + \frac{1}{\chi^{2}} (\bar{\psi} \psi)^{2} \right\}$$
(B.10)

where

$$G = \frac{2}{g_0^2 \chi^2}, \quad \chi = 1 + |\phi|^2.$$
(B.11)

The above Lagrangian can be obtained in terms of  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  superfields which will make its  $\mathcal{N} = (2, 2)$  supersymmetry explicit. Namely, let us introduce a chiral superfield

$$\Phi(x_L, \theta) = \phi(x_L) + \sqrt{2} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} \,\theta^{\alpha} \psi^{\beta}(x_L) + \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} \,\theta^{\alpha} \theta^{\beta} F(x_L), \quad (B.12)$$

where  $\theta$  is a two-component *complex* Grassmann variable, while

$$x_L^{\mu} = x^{\mu} + i\bar{\theta}\gamma^{\mu}\theta. \tag{B.13}$$

Moreover,  $\Phi^{\dagger}$  depends on  $x_R^{\mu} = x^{\mu} - i\bar{\theta}\gamma^{\mu}\theta$  and  $\bar{\theta}$ , a conjugation of (B.12). In terms of these superfields the Lagrangian of the CP(1) model can be written as

$$L_{\rm CP(1)} = \int d^4\theta \ K(\Phi, \ \Phi^{\dagger}), \tag{B.14}$$

where K is the Kähler potential,

$$K = \frac{2}{g_0^2} \ln(1 + \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi).$$
 (B.15)

Needless to say,  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  supersymmetry is built in here. And what about the target space symmetry? The U(1) symmetry corresponding to the rotation around the third axis in the target space is realized linearly,

$$\Phi \to \Phi + i\alpha \cdot \Phi, \quad \Phi^{\dagger} \to \Phi^{\dagger} - i\alpha \cdot \Phi^{\dagger},$$
 (B.16)

where  $\alpha$  is a real parameter. At the same time, two other symmetry rotations are realized nonlinearly,

$$\Phi \to \beta + \beta^* \cdot \Phi^2, \quad \Phi^\dagger \to \beta^* + \beta \cdot (\Phi^\dagger)^2,$$
 (B.17)

with a complex parameter  $\beta$ .

#### **B.3** Geometric interpretation

Equations (B.14) and (B.15) suggest a geometric interpretation (for a review see e.g. [240]) for the above formulation of the CP(1) model which, in turn, allows one to readily generalize it to the case of CP(N - 1) with arbitrary N. Indeed, let us consider N - 1 complex superfields

$$\Phi^{i}(x^{\mu}+i\bar{\theta}\gamma^{\mu}\theta),\quad \Phi^{\dagger\bar{j}}(x^{\mu}-i\bar{\theta}\gamma^{\mu}\theta),$$

and the Kähler potential

$$K = \frac{2}{g_0^2} \ln \left( 1 + \sum_{i, \bar{j}=1}^{N-1} \Phi^{\dagger \bar{j}} \delta_{\bar{j}i} \Phi^i \right).$$
(B.18)

(As we will see momentarily, it corresponds to the so-called round Fubini–Study metric.) The Kähler potential determines the metric of the target space according to the formula

$$G_{i\bar{j}} = \frac{\partial^2 K(\phi, \phi^{\dagger})}{\partial \phi^i \partial \phi^{\dagger} \bar{j}}.$$
 (B.19)

For CP(N - 1) the Riemann tensor is expressed in terms of the metric (B.19) as follows:

$$R_{i\bar{j}k\bar{m}} = -\frac{g_0^2}{2} \left( G_{i\bar{j}} G_{k\bar{m}} + G_{i\bar{m}} G_{k\bar{j}} \right), \tag{B.20}$$

while the Ricci tensor

$$R_{i\bar{j}} = \frac{g_0^2}{2} N G_{i\bar{j}}.$$
 (B.21)

In components the Lagrangian of the CP(N - 1) model takes the form [241]

$$L = \int d^{4}\theta \ K = G_{i\bar{j}} \Big[ \partial_{\mu} \phi^{\dagger \bar{j}} \partial_{\mu} \phi^{i} + i\bar{\psi}^{\bar{j}} \gamma^{\mu} D_{\mu} \psi^{i} \Big] - \frac{1}{2} R_{i\bar{j}k\bar{l}} (\bar{\psi}^{\bar{j}} \psi^{i}) (\bar{\psi}^{\bar{l}} \psi^{k}),$$
(B.22)

where D is the covariant derivative,

$$D_{\mu}\psi^{i} = \partial_{\mu}\psi^{i} + \Gamma^{i}_{kl}(\partial_{\mu}\phi^{k})\psi^{l}, \qquad (B.23)$$

and  $\Gamma_{kl}^{i}$  is the Christoffel symbol.

If N = 2 the above expressions simplify and we get

$$G = G_{1\bar{1}} = \partial_{\phi} \partial_{\phi^{\dagger}} K \big|_{\theta = \bar{\theta} = 0} = \frac{2}{g_0^2 \chi^2},$$
  

$$\Gamma = \Gamma_{11}^1 = -2 \frac{\phi^{\dagger}}{\chi}, \quad \bar{\Gamma} = \Gamma_{\bar{1}\bar{1}}^{\bar{1}} = -2 \frac{\phi}{\chi},$$
  

$$R \equiv R_{1\bar{1}} = -G^{-1} R_{1\bar{1}1\bar{1}} = \frac{2}{\chi^2},$$
  
(B.24)

where we use the notation

$$\chi \equiv 1 + \phi \, \phi^{\dagger}. \tag{B.25}$$

Substituting (B.24) and (B.25) in (B.22) we arrive at the CP(1) Lagrangian (B.10).

## **B.4 Gauged formulation**

Here we will discuss yet another formulation of  $\mathcal{N}=2$  supersymmetric sigma models with the target space

$$\frac{\mathrm{SU}(N)}{\mathrm{SU}(N-1)\times\mathrm{U}(1)} = \mathrm{CP}(N-1), \tag{B.26}$$

which goes under the name of the gauged formulation [242]. This formulation is built on an *N*-plet of complex scalar fields  $n^i$  where i = 1, 2, ..., N. We impose the constraint

$$n_i^{\dagger} n^i = 1. \tag{B.27}$$

This leaves us with 2N - 1 real bosonic degrees of freedom. To eliminate one extra degree of freedom we impose a local U(1) invariance  $n^i(x) \rightarrow e^{i\alpha(x)}n^i(x)$ . To this end we introduce a gauge field  $A_{\mu}$  which converts the partial derivative into the covariant one,

$$\partial_{\mu} \to \nabla_{\mu} \equiv \partial_{\mu} - i A_{\mu}.$$
 (B.28)

The field  $A_{\mu}$  is auxiliary; it enters in the Lagrangian without derivatives. The kinetic term of the *n* fields is

$$L = \frac{2}{g_0^2} |\nabla_{\mu} n^i|^2.$$
 (B.29)

The superpartner to the field  $n^i$  is an *N*-plet of complex two-component spinor fields  $\xi^i$ ,

$$\xi^{i} = \begin{cases} \xi^{i}_{R} \\ \xi^{i}_{L} \end{cases}$$
(B.30)

The auxiliary field  $A_{\mu}$  has a complex scalar superpartner  $\sigma$  and a two-component complex spinor superpartner  $\lambda$ ; both enter without derivatives. The full  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  symmetric Lagrangian is

$$L = \frac{2}{g_0^2} \bigg\{ |\nabla_{\mu} n^i|^2 + \bar{\xi}_i \, i \, \gamma^{\mu} \nabla_{\mu} \, \xi^i + 2|\sigma|^2 \, |n^i|^2 \\ + \bigg[ i \sqrt{2} \, \sigma \, \xi^{\dagger}_{iR} \, \xi^i_L + i \, \sqrt{2} \, n^{\dagger}_i \big( \lambda_R \xi^i_L - \lambda_L \xi^i_R \big) + \text{H.c.} \bigg] \bigg\}.$$
(B.31)

The auxiliary fields can be eliminated by virtue of the equations of motion which yield the following relations:

$$n_{l}^{\dagger}\xi_{L}^{l} = 0, \quad n_{l}^{\dagger}\xi_{R}^{l} = 0;$$

$$A_{\mu} = -\frac{i}{2}n_{l}^{\dagger} \stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{\partial_{\mu}}n^{l} - \frac{1}{2}\bar{\xi}_{l}\gamma_{\mu}\xi^{l},$$

$$\sigma = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}\xi_{lL}^{\dagger}\xi_{R}^{l}.$$
(B.32)

Substituting (B.32) in (B.31) we arrive at the final expression for the Lagrangian of  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  sigma model with the target space (B.26),

$$L = \frac{2}{g_0^2} \left\{ \left| \partial_\mu n^i \right|^2 + \frac{1}{4} \left( n_i^{\dagger} \stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{\partial_\mu} n^i \right)^2 + \bar{\xi}_i \, i \gamma^\mu \left( \partial_\mu - \frac{1}{2} n_l^{\dagger} \stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{\partial_\mu} n^l \right) \xi^i - \left( \xi_{iR}^{\dagger} \, \xi_R^i \cdot \xi_{lL}^{\dagger} \, \xi_L^l + \xi_{iR}^{\dagger} \, \xi_L^i \cdot \xi_{lL}^{\dagger} \, \xi_R^l \right) \right\},$$
(B.33)

$$n_i^{\dagger} n^i = 1, \quad n_i^{\dagger} \xi^i = 0.$$
 (B.34)

For N = 2 there exists a simple local transformation converting the Lagrangian of the O(3) model discussed in Appendix B.1 into (B.33),

$$S^{a} = n_{i}^{\dagger} (\tau^{a})_{k}^{i} n^{k},$$
  

$$\chi^{a} = n_{i}^{\dagger} (\tau^{a})_{k}^{i} \xi^{k} + \xi_{i}^{\dagger} (\tau^{a})_{k}^{i} n^{k},$$
(B.35)

where  $\tau^a$  are the Pauli matrices. If we use the Fierz identity for the Pauli matrices,

$$(\tau^{a})^{i}_{k}(\tau^{a})^{\tilde{i}}_{\tilde{k}} = -\frac{1}{2}(\tau^{a})^{\tilde{i}}_{k}(\tau^{a})^{i}_{\tilde{k}} + \frac{3}{2}\delta^{\tilde{i}}_{k}\delta^{i}_{\tilde{k}}, \qquad (B.36)$$

and substitute Eq. (B.35) in the Lagrangian (B.4) taking account of the constraints (B.3) we arrive at (B.33). The constraints (B.34) are satisfied automatically.

# **B.5** Heterotic CP(1)

Here we will outline derivation of the heterotic CP(1) model elaborated in Ref. [191]. We will start from the general geometric formulation presented in Appendix B.3, specify it to the CP(1) case using Eq. (B.24) and then introduce a deformation that breaks  $\mathcal{N} = (2, 2)$  down to  $\mathcal{N} = (0, 2)$ . As is well known, if we limit ourselves to the set of fields present in the  $\mathcal{N} = (2, 2)$  sigma model, such a deformation does not exist. However, it does exist if we agree to introduce an extra *right-handed* fermion  $\zeta_R$  [190].

One can obtain the deformed Lagrangian as follows. Introduce the operators

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \zeta_R (x^\mu + i\bar{\theta}\gamma^\mu\theta) + \sqrt{2}\theta_R \mathcal{F} \right\} \theta_L^{\dagger},$$
  
$$\mathcal{B}^{\dagger} = \theta_L \left\{ \zeta_R^{\dagger} (x^\mu - i\bar{\theta}\gamma^\mu\theta) + \sqrt{2}\theta_R^{\dagger} \mathcal{F}^{\dagger} \right\}.$$
 (B.37)

Since  $\theta_L$  and  $\theta_L^{\dagger}$  enter in Eq. (B.37) explicitly,  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{B}^{\dagger}$  are *not* superfields with regards to the supertransformations with parameters  $\epsilon_L$ ,  $\epsilon_L^{\dagger}$ . These supertransformations are absent in the heterotic model. Only those survive which are associated with  $\epsilon_R$ ,  $\epsilon_R^{\dagger}$ . Note that  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{B}^{\dagger}$  are superfields with regards to the latter.

It is convenient to introduce a shorthand for the chiral coordinate

$$\tilde{x}^{\mu} = x^{\mu} + i\bar{\theta}\gamma^{\mu}\theta. \tag{B.38}$$

Then the transformation laws with the parameters  $\epsilon_R$ ,  $\epsilon_R^{\dagger}$  are as follows:

$$\delta\theta_R = \epsilon_R, \quad \delta\theta_R^{\dagger} = \epsilon_R^{\dagger}, \quad \delta\tilde{x}^0 = 2i\epsilon_R^{\dagger}\theta_R, \quad \delta\tilde{x}^1 = 2i\epsilon_R^{\dagger}\theta_R.$$
 (B.39)

With respect to such supertransformations,  $\mathcal B$  and  $\mathcal B^{\dagger}$  are superfields. Indeed,

$$\delta \zeta_R = \sqrt{2} \,\mathcal{F} \,\epsilon_R, \quad \delta \mathcal{F} = \sqrt{2} \,i (\partial_L \zeta_R) \epsilon_R^{\dagger}, \tag{B.40}$$

plus Hermitean conjugate transformations. To convert  $L_{CP(1)}$  into  $L_{heterotic}$  we add to  $L_{CP(1)}$  the following terms:

$$\Delta L = \int d^4\theta \left\{ -2\mathcal{B}^{\dagger}\mathcal{B} + \left[ g_0^2 \sqrt{2}\gamma \mathcal{B}K + \text{H.c.} \right] \right\},$$
(B.41)

where  $\gamma$  is generally speaking a complex constant. For simplicity we will assume  $\gamma$  to be real. Thus, we obviously deal here with a single deformation parameter.

First, let us check that the extra term (B.41) preserves invariance on the target space. Indeed, the invariance under the U(1) transformation of the superfields  $\Phi$ ,  $\Phi^{\dagger}$ ,

$$\Phi \to i\delta \Phi, \quad \Phi^{\dagger} \to -i\delta \Phi^{\dagger}, \tag{B.42}$$

is obvious. Two other rotations on the sphere manifest themselves in nonlinear transformations with a complex parameter  $\beta$ ,

$$\Phi \to \beta + \beta^* \Phi^2, \quad \Phi^\dagger \to \beta^* + \beta (\Phi^\dagger)^2.$$
 (B.43)

Under these transformations

$$\delta K = \frac{2}{g_0^2} \left(\beta^* \Phi + \beta \Phi^\dagger\right). \tag{B.44}$$

It is not difficult to see that

$$\int d^4\theta \,\mathcal{B}\,\delta K = 0. \tag{B.45}$$

In other words, even before performing the component decomposition we are certain that the term (B.41) is invariant on the target space of the CP(1) model. Needless to say, it is  $\mathcal{N} = (0, 2)$  invariant by construction.

As usual, the  $\mathcal{F}$  term enters without derivatives and can be eliminated by virtue of equations of motion,

$$\mathcal{F} = -2\gamma^* \chi^{-2} \psi_R^{\dagger} \psi_L, \quad \mathcal{F}^{\dagger} = -2\gamma \chi^{-2} \psi_L^{\dagger} \psi_R. \tag{B.46}$$

In addition, the *F* terms of the superfields  $\Phi$ ,  $\Phi^{\dagger}$  also change. If before the deformation e.g.  $F = (i/2) \Gamma \psi \gamma^0 \psi$ , after the deformation

$$F = \frac{i}{2} \Gamma \psi \gamma^0 \psi - g_0^2 \gamma \psi_L \zeta_R^{\dagger}, \qquad (B.47)$$

plus the Hermitian conjugated expression for  $F^{\dagger}$ .

Assembling all these pieces together we get the Lagrangian of the heterotic CP(1) model,

$$L_{\text{heterotic}} = \zeta_R^{\dagger} i \partial_L \zeta_R + \left[ \gamma \zeta_R R \left( i \partial_L \phi^{\dagger} \right) \psi_R + \text{H.c.} \right] - g_0^2 |\gamma|^2 (\zeta_R^{\dagger} \zeta_R) \left( R \psi_L^{\dagger} \psi_L \right) + G \left\{ \partial_\mu \phi^{\dagger} \partial^\mu \phi + \frac{i}{2} (\psi_L^{\dagger} \overleftrightarrow{\partial_R} \psi_L + \psi_R^{\dagger} \overleftrightarrow{\partial_L} \psi_R) - \frac{i}{\chi} \left[ \psi_L^{\dagger} \psi_L (\phi^{\dagger} \overleftrightarrow{\partial_R} \phi) + \psi_R^{\dagger} \psi_R (\phi^{\dagger} \overleftrightarrow{\partial_L} \phi) \right] - \frac{2(1 - g_0^2 |\gamma|^2)}{\chi^2} \psi_L^{\dagger} \psi_L \psi_R^{\dagger} \psi_R \right\},$$
(B.48)

where R stands for the Ricci tensor, and

$$\partial_L = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, \qquad \partial_R = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}.$$
 (B.49)

Generalization for arbitrary N (i.e. the  $\mathcal{N} = (0, 2)$  deformed CP(N - 1) model) is as follows:

$$\begin{split} L_{\text{heterotic}} &= \zeta_{R}^{\dagger} i \partial_{L} \zeta_{R} + \left[ \gamma \, g_{0}^{2} \zeta_{R} \, G_{i\bar{j}} \left( i \, \partial_{L} \phi^{\dagger \, \bar{j}} \right) \psi_{R}^{i} + \text{H.c.} \right] \\ &- g_{0}^{4} \, |\gamma|^{2} \left( \zeta_{R}^{\dagger} \, \zeta_{R} \right) \left( G_{i\bar{j}} \, \psi_{L}^{\dagger \, \bar{j}} \psi_{L}^{i} \right) \\ &+ G_{i\bar{j}} \left[ \partial_{\mu} \phi^{\dagger \, \bar{j}} \, \partial_{\mu} \phi^{i} + i \bar{\psi}^{\bar{j}} \gamma^{\mu} D_{\mu} \psi^{i} \right] \\ &- \frac{g_{0}^{2}}{2} \left( G_{i\bar{j}} \psi_{R}^{\dagger \, \bar{j}} \, \psi_{R}^{i} \right) \left( G_{k\bar{m}} \psi_{L}^{\dagger \, \bar{m}} \, \psi_{L}^{k} \right) \\ &+ \frac{g_{0}^{2}}{2} \left( 1 - 2g_{0}^{2} |\gamma|^{2} \right) \left( G_{i\bar{j}} \psi_{R}^{\dagger \, \bar{j}} \, \psi_{L}^{i} \right) \left( G_{k\bar{m}} \psi_{L}^{\dagger \, \bar{m}} \, \psi_{R}^{k} \right). \tag{B.50}$$

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