BPS equations in Ω -deformed $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory

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ABSTRACT: We study supersymmetry of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory in four dimensions deformed in the Ω -background. We take the Nekrasov-Shatashvili limit of the background so that two-dimensional super Poincaré symmetry is recovered. We compute the deformed central charge of the superalgebra and study the 1/2 and 1/4 BPS states. We obtain the Ω -deformed 1/2 and 1/4 BPS dyon equations from the deformed supersymmetry transformation and the Bogomol'nyi completion of the energy.

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1 Introduction

The Ω -deformation of supersymmetric gauge theories has been studied extensively since it gives a very useful regularization to calculate the non-perturbative instanton corrections to the partition functions [1, 2]. This deformation has been developed for theories with $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supersymmetry in four dimensions [3–5]. It has been generalized to the $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory in four dimensions [6–10] and also theories in various dimensions [11–14].

The Ω -background is realized as a spacetime fibration over a torus with the actions of an abelian group. This is also obtained by the dimensional reduction from higher dimensional curved spacetime compactified on torus. For this reduction it is necessary to introduce the R-symmetry Wilson line gauge fields along the torus in order to recover a part of supersymmetry. The R-symmetry Wilson lines are identified with the contorsion along the torus [7]. This deformation however breaks Poincaré symmetry in general and the deformed supersymmetry algebra takes the form of nilpotent type, which means that the BPS spectrum is not well-defined.

The Nekrasov-Shatashvili (NS) limit of the Ω -background is the limit such that a part of the torus action is removed [15]. In this limit we recover the translational symmetry in the

subspace and the supersymmetry algebra is enhanced to the super Poincaré algebra. Then one can study the BPS spectrum based on the deformed supersymmetry. Moreover in the NS limit the effective two-dimensional theory has the non-trivial vacuum structure related to the integrable models [15–17]. It will be an interesting problem how such integrable structure appears from the UV point of view. The BPS solitons would play an important role to study this integrable structure.

For $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supersymmetric Yang-Mills theory, the deformed BPS equations were studied in [18, 19]. In particular the deformed monopole equations can be solved by the Bäcklund transformations as the undeformed one [20]. Moreover in [17] (see also [21]), they proposed the non-trivial vortex solution induced by the Ω -background. The purpose of this paper is to study deformed BPS states for Ω -deformed $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory. This is also interesting because these BPS states play an important role for understanding S-duality of the Ω -deformed gauge theories.

In this paper we focus on the 1/2 and 1/4 BPS dyon equations in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ supersymmetric Yang-Mills theory in the NS limit of the Ω -background. In a previous paper [22] three of the present authors studied the deformed supersymmetry algebra in the Ω -background as well as its NS limit. There are three types of Ω -deformations which are associated with three types of topological twist of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ supersymmetry [23]. These are the half (or Donaldson-Witten [24]), the Vafa-Witten [25] and the Marcus (or generalized Langlands or Kapustin-Witten) [26, 27] twists. In the NS limit, the Ω -deformations for the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists are shown to be equivalent by some identification. It turns out that only the two types of deformations are independent. One of the new and interesting properties in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ theory is the 1/4 BPS states [28–34]. In this paper we will find the deformed 1/4 BPS equations for the Vafa-Witten twist. The BPS equations are similar to the vortex type equations and might have vortex type central charge [17]. We will calculate the central charge carefully from the deformed supersymmetry algebra and show that there is no vortex type central charge in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ theory.

This paper is organized as follows: in section 2, we review the Ω -deformation of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory. In section 3, we study deformed supersymmetry algebra in the NS limit and calculate the central charges. In section 4, we argue the BPS equations from the superalgebra and also the energy bound. Section 5 is devoted to conclusions and discussion. In appendix A, we summarize the notation of the Dirac matrices in four and six dimensions. In appendix B, we investigate the vacuum conditions based on the Ω -deformed Lagrangian.

2 $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory in Ω -background

2.1 Setup

In this section, we introduce four-dimensional $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory with gauge group G in Ω -background. The theory is obtained by the dimensional reduction of the ten-dimensional $\mathcal{N} = 1$ super Yang-Mills theory in the Ω -background metric with torsion [7]. We start from the $\mathcal{N} = 1$ super Yang-Mills theory in general curved background with

Euclidean signature.¹ We denote $x^{\mathcal{M}}$ ($\mathcal{M} = 1, \dots, 10$) as spacetime coordinates. The metric $g_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}}$ is written in terms of the vielbein $e^{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathcal{M}}$ as $g_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}} = \eta_{MN} e^M_{\mathcal{M}} e^N_{\mathcal{N}}$, where $\eta_{MN} = \text{diag}(+1, +1, \dots, +1)$. The capital letters $M, N, P, \dots = 1, \dots, 10$ are indices of the tangent space coordinate. The ten-dimensional $\mathcal{N} = 1$ vector multiplet consists of the gauge field $A_{\mathcal{M}}$ and the SO(10) spinor field Ψ , which belong to the adjoint representation of the gauge group G . The action is

$$S_{10D} = \frac{1}{\kappa g_{10}^2} \int d^{10}x \text{Tr} \left[\frac{1}{4} e(e^{\mathcal{M}}_M e^{\mathcal{N}}_N \hat{F}_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}})^2 + \frac{i}{2} e \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^{\mathcal{M}} \hat{\nabla}_{\mathcal{M}}^{(G)} \Psi \right]. \quad (2.1)$$

Here κ is the normalization factor for the generators of the gauge group and g_{10} is the gauge coupling constant. $e^{\mathcal{M}}_M$ is the inverse of $e^M_{\mathcal{M}}$ and $e = \det e^M_{\mathcal{M}}$. The field strength $\hat{F}_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}}$ of the gauge field $A_{\mathcal{M}}$ in the background with the torsion $T_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}}^{\mathcal{P}}$ is defined by $\hat{F}_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}} = F_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}} - T_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}}^{\mathcal{P}} A_{\mathcal{P}}$, where $F_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}}$ is the ordinary gauge field strength $F_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}} = \partial_{\mathcal{M}} A_{\mathcal{N}} - \partial_{\mathcal{N}} A_{\mathcal{M}} + i[A_{\mathcal{M}}, A_{\mathcal{N}}]$. The Dirac matrices Γ^M are defined by the relation $\Gamma^M \Gamma^N + \Gamma^N \Gamma^M = 2\eta^{MN}$ and $\Gamma^{\mathcal{M}} = e^{\mathcal{M}}_M \Gamma^M$. The gauge covariant derivative is defined by $\hat{\nabla}_{\mathcal{M}}^{(G)*} = \hat{\nabla}_{\mathcal{M}} * + i[A_{\mathcal{M}}, *]$, where $\hat{\nabla}_{\mathcal{M}}$ acts on the spinors as $\hat{\nabla}_{\mathcal{M}} \Psi = (\partial_{\mathcal{M}} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{\omega}_{\mathcal{M}, NP} \Gamma^{NP}) \Psi$. Here $\Gamma^{MN} = \frac{1}{4}(\Gamma^M \Gamma^N - \Gamma^N \Gamma^M)$ is the SO(10) local Lorentz generator and $\hat{\omega}_{\mathcal{M}, NP}$ is the spin connection including the torsion.

We will consider the invariance of the action under the following supersymmetry transformation:

$$\delta_{\zeta} A_{\mathcal{M}} = i \bar{\zeta} \Gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \Psi, \quad \delta_{\zeta} \Psi = -\hat{F}_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}} \Gamma^{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}} \zeta, \quad (2.2)$$

where the supersymmetry parameter ζ satisfies the parallel spinor condition

$$\hat{\nabla}_{\mathcal{M}} \zeta = 0. \quad (2.3)$$

If the action is invariant under the transformation (2.2), we can derive the supersymmetry algebra from the supersymmetry transformation of the supercurrent [35] (see also [36]). From the Noether procedure we have the supercurrent with the parameter ζ as

$$j_{\zeta}^{\mathcal{M}} = \frac{1}{\kappa g_{10}^2} \text{Tr} \left[i e \hat{F}_{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^{\mathcal{M}} \Gamma^{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}} \zeta \right]. \quad (2.4)$$

Its supersymmetry transformation with the parameter ξ is calculated as

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{\xi} j_{\zeta}^{\mathcal{M}} = & \frac{1}{\kappa g_{10}^2} \text{Tr} \left[2i \bar{\xi} \Gamma^{\mathcal{N}} \zeta e \left(\hat{F}^{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{P}} \hat{F}_{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}} - \frac{1}{4} \delta^{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathcal{N}} \hat{F}^{\mathcal{P}\mathcal{Q}} \hat{F}_{\mathcal{P}\mathcal{Q}} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^{\mathcal{M}} \hat{\nabla}_{\mathcal{N}}^{(G)} \Psi + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma_{\mathcal{N}} \hat{\nabla}_{(G)}^{\mathcal{M}} \Psi \right) \right. \\ & - \frac{e}{2} \bar{\xi} \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}} \zeta \hat{\nabla}_{\mathcal{N}}^{(G)} (\bar{\Psi} \Gamma^{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}} \Psi) + \frac{e}{4} \bar{\xi} \Gamma^{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}\mathcal{Q}} \zeta \hat{\nabla}_{\mathcal{R}}^{(G)} (2\delta_{\mathcal{Q}}^{\mathcal{R}} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}} \Psi - \delta_{\mathcal{Q}}^{\mathcal{M}} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^{\mathcal{R}}_{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}} \Psi) \\ & \left. + \frac{i}{4} \bar{\xi} \Gamma^{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}\mathcal{Q}\mathcal{R}} \zeta e \hat{F}_{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}} \hat{F}_{\mathcal{Q}\mathcal{R}} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

where we have used the equation of motion for Ψ . $\Gamma^{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}}$ and $\Gamma^{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}\mathcal{Q}\mathcal{R}}$ are the totally antisymmetrized products of the Dirac matrices with the weights $\frac{1}{3!}$ and $\frac{1}{5!}$, respectively.

¹In this section we use Euclidean signature to define the Ω -background. In the next section, we perform the Wick rotation and use the Minkowski signature to study the BPS equations.

The supercharge $\mathcal{Q}$ is defined by $\bar{\zeta}\mathcal{Q} = \int d^9x j_\zeta^\sharp$, where $j_\zeta^\sharp$ is the temporal component of the supercurrent, and d^9x is the spatial volume element. Since the left hand side of (2.5) can be rewritten as $[i\bar{\zeta}\mathcal{Q}, j_\zeta^\mathcal{M}]$, the supersymmetry algebra is obtained by the spatial integration of the temporal component of (2.5) as

$$[\bar{\zeta}\mathcal{Q}, \bar{\zeta}\mathcal{Q}] = 2\bar{\xi}\Gamma^M\zeta P_M + \frac{1}{4}\bar{\xi}\Gamma^{MNPQR}\zeta \mathcal{Z}_{MNPQR}, \quad (2.6)$$

where $P_M = \int d^9x e^\mathcal{N}_M \mathcal{T}^\sharp_\mathcal{N}$ is the ten-dimensional momentum. $\mathcal{T}^\sharp_\mathcal{N}$ is the temporal component of the energy momentum tensor $\mathcal{T}^\mathcal{M}_\mathcal{N}$, which is given by

$$\mathcal{T}^\mathcal{M}_\mathcal{N} = \frac{1}{\kappa g_{10}^2} \text{Tr} \left[e \hat{F}^{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{P}} \hat{F}_{\mathcal{N}\mathcal{P}} - \frac{e}{4} \delta^\mathcal{M}_\mathcal{N} \hat{F}^{\mathcal{P}\mathcal{Q}} \hat{F}_{\mathcal{P}\mathcal{Q}} + \frac{e}{2} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^\mathcal{M} \hat{\nabla}_\mathcal{N}^{(G)} \Psi + \frac{e}{2} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma_\mathcal{N} \hat{\nabla}^{(\mathcal{M}}_{(G)} \Psi \right]. \quad (2.7)$$

The central charge $\mathcal{Z}_{MNPQR}$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{Z}_{MNPQR} = \int d^9x \frac{1}{\kappa g_{10}^2} \text{Tr} \left[\frac{1}{5!} \varepsilon_{MNPQR}{}^{STUVW} e e^\sharp_S \hat{F}_{TU} \hat{F}_{VW} \right], \quad (2.8)$$

where $\varepsilon_{M_1 \dots M_{10}}$ is the totally antisymmetric tensor in ten dimensions and $\hat{F}_{MN} = e^\mathcal{M}_M e^\mathcal{N}_N \hat{F}_{\mathcal{M}\mathcal{N}}$. Now we introduce the Ω -background. The Ω -background metric in ten dimensions is defined by the $\mathbf{R}^4$ fibration over the torus T^6 :

$$ds^2 = (dx^m + \Omega^m_a dx^{a+4})^2 + (dx^{a+4})^2, \\ \Omega^m_a = \Omega^{mn}_a x_n, \quad \Omega^{mn}_a = -\Omega^{nm}_a, \quad (2.9)$$

where x^m ($m = 1, 2, 3, 4$) and x^{a+4} ($a = 1, \dots, 6$) are the spacetime and the internal space coordinates. The antisymmetric matrices Ω_{mna} are parameterized as

$$\Omega_{mna} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon_a^1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\epsilon_a^1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\epsilon_a^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_a^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.10)$$

where $\epsilon_a^1, \epsilon_a^2$ are real constant parameters. The matrices satisfy the following commutation relation,

$$\Omega_m{}^p{}_a \Omega_{pnb} - \Omega_m{}^p{}_b \Omega_{pna} = 0. \quad (2.11)$$

We now perform the dimensional reduction of the action (2.1) with the Ω -background metric (2.9) and the constant torsion, which has nonzero components only in the internal part. We decompose the ten-dimensional gauge field as $A_\mathcal{M} = (A_m, \varphi_a)$, where A_m is the gauge field and φ_a are the scalar fields in four dimensions. The spinor field Ψ is decomposed as $\Psi = (\Lambda_\alpha^A, \bar{\Lambda}^{\dot{\alpha}}_A)$, where $\alpha, \dot{\alpha} = 1, 2$ and $A = 1, \dots, 4$ are the four-dimensional $\text{SO}(4)$ spinor and $\text{SO}(6)_I \simeq \text{SU}(4)_I$ R-symmetry indices, respectively. Then the action of the

four-dimensional $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory in the Ω -background is [7]

$$\begin{aligned}
 S = \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \int d^4x \, \text{Tr} \Big[& \frac{1}{4} F^{mn} F_{mn} + \frac{1}{2} G^{ma} G_{ma} + \frac{1}{4} H^{ab} H_{ab} \\
 & + \Lambda^A \sigma^m D_m \bar{\Lambda}_A - \frac{1}{2} (\Sigma_a)^{AB} \bar{\Lambda}_A [\varphi_a, \bar{\Lambda}_B] - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\Sigma}_a)_{AB} \Lambda^A [\varphi_a, \Lambda^B] \\
 & - \frac{i}{2} \Omega_a^m ((\Sigma_a)^{AB} \bar{\Lambda}_A D_m \bar{\Lambda}_B + (\bar{\Sigma}_a)_{AB} \Lambda^A D_m \Lambda^B) \\
 & + \frac{i}{4} \Omega_{mna} ((\Sigma_a)^{AB} \bar{\Lambda}_A \bar{\sigma}^{mn} \bar{\Lambda}_B + (\bar{\Sigma}_a)_{AB} \Lambda^A \sigma^{mn} \Lambda^B) \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} (\Sigma_a)^{AB} \bar{\Lambda}_A \bar{\Lambda}_D (\mathcal{A}_a)^D{}_B - \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\Sigma}_a)_{AB} \Lambda^A (\mathcal{A}_a)^B{}_D \Lambda^D \Big]. \quad (2.12)
 \end{aligned}$$

Here $F_{mn} = \partial_m A_n - \partial_n A_m + i[A_m, A_n]$ is the gauge field strength, $D_m * = \partial_m * + i[A_m, *]$ is the gauge covariant derivative. $g = g_{10} V_6^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ is the coupling constant in four dimensions, where V_6 is the volume of the six-dimensional torus. σ^m ($\bar{\sigma}^m$), Σ_a ($\bar{\Sigma}_a$) are the Dirac matrices in four and six dimensions, whose explicit forms are found in appendix A. G_{ma}, H_{ab} are defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_{ma} &= D_m \varphi_a + \Omega_a^n F_{nm}, \\
 H_{ab} &= i[\varphi_a, \varphi_b] - \Omega_a^m D_m \varphi_b + \Omega_b^m D_m \varphi_a + \Omega_a^m \Omega_b^n F_{mn} - T_{ab}{}^c \varphi_c. \quad (2.13)
 \end{aligned}$$

The torsion is identified with the constant $\text{SU}(4)_I$ R-symmetry Wilson line gauge field $(\mathcal{A}_a)^A{}_B$ by the following relation [7]:

$$T_{ab}{}^c = \frac{1}{2} ((\Sigma_b \bar{\Sigma}_c)^A{}_B (\mathcal{A}_a)^B{}_A - (\Sigma_a \bar{\Sigma}_c)^A{}_B (\mathcal{A}_b)^B{}_A). \quad (2.14)$$

The four-dimensional supersymmetry transformation is obtained by the dimensional reduction of (2.2):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta A_m &= -\xi^A \sigma_m \bar{\Lambda}_A - \bar{\zeta}^A \bar{\sigma}_m \Lambda_A, \\
 \delta \Lambda^A &= \sigma^{mn} \zeta^A F_{mn} + i(\Sigma_a)^{AB} \sigma^m \bar{\zeta}_B G_{ma} + (\Sigma_{ab})^A{}_B \zeta^B H_{ab}, \\
 \delta \bar{\Lambda}_A &= \bar{\sigma}^{mn} \bar{\zeta}_A F_{mn} + i(\bar{\Sigma}_a)_{AB} \bar{\sigma}^m \zeta^B G_{ma} + (\bar{\Sigma}_{ab})_A{}^B \bar{\zeta}_B H_{ab}, \\
 \delta \varphi_a &= i\zeta^A (\bar{\Sigma}_a)_{AB} \Lambda^B - i\bar{\zeta}_A (\Sigma_a)^{AB} \bar{\Lambda}_B - \Omega_a^m \bar{\zeta}_A \bar{\sigma}_m \Lambda^A + \Omega_a^m \zeta^A \sigma_m \bar{\Lambda}_A, \quad (2.15)
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\Sigma_{ab}, \bar{\Sigma}_{ab}$ are the six-dimensional Lorentz generators defined in appendix A. The constant supersymmetry parameters $\zeta = (\zeta_\alpha^A, \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha}}_A)$ satisfy the parallel spinor conditions in four dimensions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega_{mna} (\bar{\sigma}^{mn})^{\dot{\alpha}}{}_{\dot{\beta}} \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\beta}}{}_A + 2i (\mathcal{A}_a)_A{}^B \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha}}{}_B &= 0, \\
 \Omega_{mna} (\sigma^{mn})_{\alpha}{}^{\beta} \zeta_\beta^A + 2i (\mathcal{A}_a)^A{}_B \zeta_\alpha^B &= 0. \quad (2.16)
 \end{aligned}$$

In (2.16), the first terms represent the four-dimensional rotation of the spinor by the parameter Ω_{mna} . The second terms represent the six-dimensional rotation by the parameter $(\mathcal{A}_a)^A{}_B$. It is convenient to introduce the topological twist to see the cancellation between the four- and six-dimensional rotations. The topological twists in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills

theory are classified into three types [23]. They are called the half twist [24], the Vafa-Witten twist [25] and the Marcus twist [26, 27]. We note that supersymmetry requires the additional conditions for Ω_{mna} and $(\mathcal{A}_a)^A{}_B$ [7], where we find solutions of Ω_{mna} and $(\mathcal{A}_a)^A{}_B$ for which $\zeta_\alpha^A, \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha}}{}_A$ satisfy (2.16) and a part of supercharges is conserved.

Although a part of supersymmetry is preserved in each twisted theory, the four-dimensional translational symmetry is broken by the Ω -background (2.10). In [7], we have shown that the supersymmetries are enhanced in the Nekrasov-Shatashvili (NS) limit $\epsilon_a^1 \rightarrow 0$ (or $\epsilon_a^2 \rightarrow 0$) [15], where the translational symmetry in a two-dimensional subspace is recovered. In the following subsections, we summarize the solutions to the conditions and the enhanced supersymmetries in the three types of the topological twists.

2.2 Topological twist and supersymmetry in the NS limit

The topological twist is defined by an embedding of the Lorentz group $\text{SO}(4) \simeq \text{SU}(2)_L \times \text{SU}(2)_R$ into the subgroups of the $\text{SU}(4)_I$ R-symmetry group. We take the $\text{SU}(2)_{L'} \times \text{SU}(2)_{R'}$ subgroup of $\text{SU}(4)_I$, where the $\text{SU}(4)_I$ index $A = 1, 2, 3, 4$ is decomposed into $A' = 1, 2$ and $\hat{A} = 3, 4$. Here A' and $\hat{A}$ are indices for the two-dimensional representations of $\text{SU}(2)_{R'}$ and $\text{SU}(2)_{L'}$, respectively.

Half twist. In the half twist, $\text{SU}(2)_R$ subgroup of the Lorentz group $\text{SO}(4)$ is replaced by the diagonal subgroup of $\text{SU}(2)_{R'} \times \text{SU}(2)_R$. Then the new Lorentz group becomes $\text{SU}(2)_L \times [\text{SU}(2)_{R'} \times \text{SU}(2)_R]_{\text{diag}}$, where the subscript “diag” stands for the diagonal subgroup. The spinor index $\dot{\alpha}$ is identified with the R-symmetry index A' in the half twist. We define the vector, the scalar and the anti-self-dual tensor supercharges $Q_m, \bar{Q}, \bar{Q}_{mn}$ by

$$\bar{Q} = \delta_{A'}^{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^{A'}, \quad \bar{Q}_{mn} = -(\bar{\sigma}_{mn})_{A'}^{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^{A'}, \quad Q_m = -\varepsilon^{\alpha\beta} (\sigma_m)_{\beta A'} Q_{\alpha}^{A'}, \quad (2.17)$$

where $Q_{\alpha A}, \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^A$ are the supercharges associated with the supersymmetry transformation (2.15). The background Ω_{mna} and $(\mathcal{A}_a)^A{}_B$ such that $\bar{Q}$ and $\bar{Q}_{12}$ are conserved [7] is

$$\Omega_{mna} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon_a^1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\epsilon_a^1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\epsilon_a^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_a^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\mathcal{A}_a)^A{}_B = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_a^1 + \epsilon_a^2)\tau^3 & 0 \\ 0 & m_a\tau^3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (a = 1, 2),$$

$$\Omega_{mna} = (\mathcal{A}_a)^A{}_B = 0, \quad (a = 3, 4, 5, 6), \quad (2.18)$$

where m_a ($a = 1, 2$) are real parameters. These parameters are identified with the mass of the adjoint hypermultiplet in the $\mathcal{N} = 2^*$ theory [4, 6]. The theory has $\mathcal{N} = (0, 2)$ supersymmetry for the background (2.18). Here the notation $\mathcal{N} = (m, n)$ means that the theory has m chiral, n anti-chiral supercharges.

In the NS limit,² two components of the vector supercharges Q_3, Q_4 are conserved in addition to the scalar and the tensor supercharges $\bar{Q}, \bar{Q}_{12}$. In the ordinary basis, the conserved supercharges in the NS limit correspond to (Q_{11}, Q_{22}) in $Q_{\alpha A}$ and $(\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^2)$ in $\bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^A$. Therefore the supersymmetry is enhanced to $\mathcal{N} = (2, 2)$.

²In this paper, we usually consider the limit by $\epsilon_a^2 \rightarrow 0$, where the translational symmetry in the (x^3, x^4) -plane is recovered.

Vafa-Witten twist. In the Vafa-Witten twist, the new Lorentz group is $SU(2)_L \times [SU(2)_{L'} \times SU(2)_{R'} \times SU(2)_R]_{\text{diag}}$. The spinor index $\dot{\alpha}$ is identified with the R-symmetry indices A' and $\hat{A}$. We define the two scalars $\bar{Q}$, $\hat{\bar{Q}}$, the two vectors Q_m , $\hat{Q}_m$ and the two anti-self-dual tensor supercharges $\bar{Q}_{mn}$, $\hat{\bar{Q}}_{mn}$ by

$$\begin{aligned} Q_m &= -\varepsilon^{\alpha\beta}(\sigma_m)_{\beta A'} Q_\alpha^{A'}, & \hat{Q}_m &= -\varepsilon^{\alpha\beta}(\sigma_m)_{\beta \hat{A}} Q_\alpha^{\hat{A}}, \\ \bar{Q} &= \delta_{A'}^{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^{A'}, & \hat{\bar{Q}} &= \delta_{\hat{A}}^{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^{\hat{A}}, \\ \bar{Q}_{mn} &= -(\bar{\sigma}_{mn})_{A'}^{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^{A'}, & \hat{\bar{Q}}_{mn} &= -(\bar{\sigma}_{mn})_{\hat{A}}^{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^{\hat{A}}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.19)$$

The background Ω_{mna} and $(\mathcal{A}_a)^A_B$ such that $\bar{Q}$, $\bar{Q}_{12}$, $\hat{\bar{Q}}$ and $\hat{\bar{Q}}_{12}$ are conserved is

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{mna} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon_a^1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\epsilon_a^1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\epsilon_a^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_a^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & (\mathcal{A}_a)^A_B &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_a^1 + \epsilon_a^2)\tau^3 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_a^1 + \epsilon_a^2)\tau^3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ (a &= 1, 2, 5, 6), \\ \Omega_{mna} &= (\mathcal{A}_a)^A_B = 0, & (a &= 3, 4). \end{aligned} \quad (2.20)$$

The theory has $\mathcal{N} = (0, 4)$ supersymmetry for the background (2.20). In the NS limit, four vector supercharges $Q_3, Q_4, \hat{Q}_3, \hat{Q}_4$ are conserved in addition to $\bar{Q}, \hat{\bar{Q}}, \bar{Q}_{12}, \hat{\bar{Q}}_{12}$. In the ordinary basis, these conserved supercharges correspond to $(Q_{11}, Q_{22}, Q_{13}, Q_{24})$ in $Q_{\alpha A}$ and $(\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^2, \bar{Q}_1^3, \bar{Q}_2^4)$ in $\bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^A$. Therefore the supersymmetry is enhanced to $\mathcal{N} = (4, 4)$.

Marcus twist. In the Marcus twist, the new Lorentz group is $[SU(2)_{L'} \times SU(2)_L]_{\text{diag}} \times [SU(2)_{R'} \times SU(2)_R]_{\text{diag}}$, where the spinor indices α and $\dot{\alpha}$ are identified with the R-symmetry indices $\hat{A}$ and A' , respectively. We define the two scalars Q , $\bar{Q}$, the two vectors Q_m , $\bar{Q}_m$ and the two tensor supercharges Q_{mn} , $\bar{Q}_{mn}$ by

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \delta_{\hat{A}}^{\alpha} Q_{\alpha}^{\hat{A}}, & Q_m &= -\varepsilon^{\alpha\beta}(\sigma_m)_{\beta A'} Q_{\alpha}^{A'}, & Q_{mn} &= -(\sigma_{mn})_{\hat{A}}^{\alpha} Q_{\alpha}^{\hat{A}}, \\ \bar{Q} &= \delta_{\dot{\alpha}}^{A'} \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^{A'}, & \bar{Q}_m &= -\varepsilon^{\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}}(\bar{\sigma}_m)_{\dot{\beta} \hat{A}} \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^{\hat{A}}, & \bar{Q}_{mn} &= -(\bar{\sigma}_{mn})_{A'}^{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^{A'}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.21)$$

The background Ω_{mna} and $(\mathcal{A}_a)^A_B$ such that the theory has $\mathcal{N} = (2, 2)$ supersymmetry is

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{mna} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon_a^1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\epsilon_a^1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\epsilon_a^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon_a^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & (\mathcal{A}_a)^A_B &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_a^1 + \epsilon_a^2)\tau^3 & 0 \\ 0 & \pm \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon_a^1 - \epsilon_a^2)\tau^3 \end{pmatrix}, \\ (a &= 1, 2), \\ \Omega_{mna} &= (\mathcal{A}_a)^A_B = 0, & (a &= 3, 4, 5, 6). \end{aligned} \quad (2.22)$$

For the background with the minus sign in the lower-right block in $(\mathcal{A}_a)^A_B$, the conserved supercharges are $Q, Q_{12}, \bar{Q}$ and $\bar{Q}_{12}$ [7]. If we choose the plus sign, $Q_{13}, Q_{14}, \bar{Q}$ and $\bar{Q}_{12}$ are conserved. But it can be shown that the theory defined in the background (2.22) with the plus sign is the same as the one with the minus sign by suitable field redefinition.

Topological twist	Conserved supercharges $Q_{\alpha A}, \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^A$
Half twist	$(Q_{11}, Q_{22}), (\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^2)$
Vafa-Witten twist	$(Q_{11}, Q_{22}, Q_{13}, Q_{24}), (\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^2, \bar{Q}_1^3, \bar{Q}_2^4)$
Marcus twist (+)	
Marcus twist (−)	$(Q_{11}, Q_{22}, Q_{14}, Q_{23}), (\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^2, \bar{Q}_2^3, \bar{Q}_1^4)$

Table 1. Conserved supercharges in the NS limit for topological twists. The signs (+) and (−) in the Marcus twist correspond to the choice of the sign of $(\mathcal{A}_a)^{\hat{A}}_{\hat{B}}$ in (2.22).

In the NS limit, for the minus sign in the lower-right block in $(\mathcal{A}_a)^A_B$, four vector supercharges $Q_1, Q_2, \bar{Q}_1, \bar{Q}_2$ are conserved in addition to $Q, \bar{Q}, Q_{12}, \bar{Q}_{12}$. In the ordinary basis, these supercharges correspond to $(Q_{11}, Q_{22}, Q_{14}, Q_{23})$ in $Q_{\alpha A}$ and $(\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^2, \bar{Q}_2^3, \bar{Q}_1^4)$ in $\bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^A$. The supersymmetry is enhanced to $\mathcal{N} = (4, 4)$. If we choose the plus sign, the conserved supercharges in the ordinary basis are $(Q_{11}, Q_{22}, Q_{13}, Q_{24})$ in $Q_{\alpha A}$ and $(\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^2, \bar{Q}_1^3, \bar{Q}_2^4)$ in $\bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^A$, which are the same as the case of the Vafa-Witten twist. Moreover in the NS limit, the background is obtained from (2.20) by setting $\epsilon_5^1 = \epsilon_6^1 = 0$. Therefore the Marcus twist is regarded as the special case of the Vafa-Witten twist in the NS limit.

The conserved supercharges in the NS limit are summarized in table 1.

3 Central charges and BPS bounds in the NS limit

We now study the supersymmetry algebra for Ω -deformed $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory in the NS limit $\epsilon_a^2 \rightarrow 0$ such that the translational symmetry in the (x^3, x^4) -plane is recovered. We also perform the inverse Wick rotation $x^4 = ix^0$ and consider the theory in the spacetime with the Minkowski signature, which implies that the energy and the third component of the momentum are well-defined and conserved. In this section we will calculate the central charges of the algebras and the BPS bounds for the mass.

We first discuss the dimensional reduction of the supersymmetry algebra (2.6) in the Ω -background. The supersymmetry generator $\bar{\zeta}Q$ in ten dimensions is expressed in terms of the four-dimensional spinors $\zeta, \bar{\zeta}, Q$ and $\bar{Q}$ as

$$\bar{\zeta}Q = \zeta^{\alpha A} Q_{\alpha A} + \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^A \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha}}_A. \quad (3.1)$$

The ten-dimensional momentum P_M ($M = 0, 1, 2, 3, 5, \dots, 10$) is decomposed into the four-dimensional momentum P_m ($m = 0, 1, 2, 3$) and the six-dimensional momentum P_{a+4} ($a = 1, \dots, 6$). The central charge $\mathcal{Z}_{MNPQR}$ is decomposed into $\mathcal{Z}_{a'b'c'd'e'}$, $\mathcal{Z}_{ma'b'c'd'}$, $\mathcal{Z}_{mna'b'c'}$ and $\mathcal{Z}_{mnpa'b'}$ ($a', \dots, e' = 5, \dots, 10$). Substituting the Ω -background (2.9) and the torsion (2.14) into (2.6), we obtain the supersymmetry algebra in four dimensions:

$$\begin{aligned} & [\xi Q + \bar{Q}\bar{\xi}, \zeta Q + \bar{Q}\bar{\zeta}] \\ &= 2(\xi\sigma^m\bar{\zeta} + \bar{\xi}\bar{\sigma}^m\zeta)P_m + 2(\xi\bar{\Sigma}_a\bar{\zeta} - \bar{\xi}\Sigma_a\zeta)P_{a+4} - 2i(\xi\bar{\Sigma}_a\zeta + \bar{\xi}\Sigma_a\bar{\zeta})\left(\frac{1}{5!}\varepsilon^{abcdef}Z_{bcdef}\right) \\ &\quad - i(\xi\sigma^i\bar{\Sigma}_{abcd}\bar{\zeta} + \bar{\xi}\bar{\sigma}^i\Sigma_{abcd}\zeta)Z_{i,abcd} + 2(\xi\sigma^{ij}\bar{\Sigma}_{abc}\zeta + \bar{\xi}\bar{\sigma}^{ij}\Sigma_{abc}\bar{\zeta})Z_{ij,abc} \\ &\quad + \frac{i}{4}\varepsilon^{ijk}(\xi\sigma^0\bar{\Sigma}_{ab}\bar{\zeta} - \bar{\xi}\bar{\sigma}^0\Sigma_{ab}\zeta)Z_{ijk,ab}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

where $Z_{abcde} \equiv \mathcal{Z}_{(a+4)\dots(e+4)}$, $Z_{i,abcd} \equiv \mathcal{Z}_{i(a+4)\dots(d+4)}$, etc. The indices $i, j, k = 1, 2, 3$ denote the spatial components. The symbols ε^{abcdef} and ε^{ijk} represent the totally antisymmetric tensors in six and three dimensions, respectively. The matrices $\Sigma_{a_1 a_2 \dots a_n}$, $\bar{\Sigma}_{a_1 a_2 \dots a_n}$ are the antisymmetrized products of the Dirac matrices defined in appendix A.

Now we calculate the central charges of the supersymmetry algebra (3.2). The six-dimensional momentum P_{a+4} is obtained by the spatial integral of the energy-momentum tensor (2.7). After the dimensional reduction, we have

$$P_{a+4} = \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} \left[F^{m0} G_{ma} + G^{0b} H_{ab} \right]. \quad (3.3)$$

Here the fermionic part is omitted since we are interested in the BPS configuration, in which the fermions are set to be zero. This momentum is interpreted as the electric charge [35]. Then we define the electric charge $q_a^{(e)}$ by $q_a^{(e)} \equiv P_{a+4}$.

The central charge Z_{bcdef} is related to the magnetic charge. We define the magnetic charge $q_a^{(m)}$ by the Hodge dual of Z_{bcdef} :

$$q_a^{(m)} = \frac{1}{5!} \varepsilon^{abcdef} Z_{bcdef} = \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} \left[\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{ijk} F_{ij} G_{ka} \right]. \quad (3.4)$$

The other charges $Z_{i,abcd}$, $Z_{ij,abc}$ and $Z_{ijk,ab}$ correspond to the charges of the BPS vortices, the BPS domain-walls and the space-filling BPS objects. In the next subsections, we examine the Ω -deformation of the central charges in (3.2) for each twist.

3.1 Half twist

In the case of the half twist with the NS limit $\epsilon_a^2 \rightarrow 0$, we have the conserved supercharges Q_{11} , Q_{22} , $\bar{Q}_1^1$ and $\bar{Q}_2^2$. The supersymmetry generator $\zeta^{\alpha A} Q_{\alpha A} + \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^A \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha}}_A$ becomes

$$\zeta^{11} Q_{11} + \zeta^{22} Q_{22} + \bar{Q}_1^1 \bar{\zeta}^1_1 + \bar{Q}_2^2 \bar{\zeta}^2_2. \quad (3.5)$$

Let us examine the right hand side in the supersymmetry algebra (3.2). For the energy and the momentum, only P^0 and P^3 contribute to the algebra. This is consistent with the recovery of the translational invariance for x^0 - and x^3 -directions under the NS limit. For the electric charge (3.3) and the magnetic charge (3.4), in the present representation of the Dirac matrices, the ones with indices $a = 1, 2$ only contribute. These charges can be rewritten using the equations of motion and the Bianchi identity as

$$\begin{aligned} q_a^{(e)} = \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} \left[D_i (F^{i0} \varphi_a) + \sum_{b=1}^2 \epsilon_b^1 (x_1 D_2 - x_2 D_1) \{ (D_0 \varphi_b - \epsilon_b^1 x_1 F_{20} + \epsilon_b^1 x_2 F_{10}) \varphi_a \} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} (\epsilon_a^1 + 2m_a) (\varphi_3 D_0 \varphi_4 - \varphi_4 D_0 \varphi_3) - \frac{1}{2} (\epsilon_a^1 - 2m_a) (\varphi_5 D_0 \varphi_6 - \varphi_6 D_0 \varphi_5) \right. \\ \left. + \epsilon_a^1 (x_1 \mathcal{T}^0_2 - x_2 \mathcal{T}^0_1) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

$$q_a^{(m)} = \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} \left[\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{ijk} D_k (F_{ij} \varphi_a) \right], \quad (a = 1, 2), \quad (3.7)$$

where $\mathcal{T}^m_n$ is the bosonic part of the four-dimensional energy momentum tensor:

$$\mathcal{T}^m_n = \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} \left[F^{mp} F_{np} + G^{ma} G_{na} - \frac{1}{4} \delta^m_n \left(F^{pq} F_{pq} + 2G^{pa} G_{pa} + H^{ab} H_{ab} \right) \right]. \quad (3.8)$$

The first term in the right hand side of (3.6) is the electric charge density of the undeformed theory. The remaining terms in the first line take the form of total derivatives and give the deformation of the electric charge. The second line is the R-charge density. The third line is the angular momentum density in the (x^1, x^2) -plane. Setting $\varphi_3, \dots, \varphi_6 = 0$ in (3.6) and imposing $\varphi_2 = 0$ and $\epsilon^1_2 = 0$, one can reproduce the electric charge of the Ω -deformed $\mathcal{N} = 2$ theory [18, 19]. The magnetic charge in (3.7) is not deformed.

For the vortex charge $Z_{i,abcd}$, it is convenient to consider its Hodge dual, which is given by

$$V_{ijab} = \frac{1}{4!} \varepsilon^{ijk} \varepsilon^{abcdef} Z_{k, cdef} = \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} \left[F_{ij} H_{ab} - G_{ia} G_{jb} + G_{ja} G_{ib} \right]. \quad (3.9)$$

From the spinorial structure of the conserved supercharges, the components V_{1212} , V_{1234} and V_{1256} can contribute to the algebra (3.2). These are computed as

$$\begin{aligned} V_{ijab} = \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} & \left[i F_{ij} [\varphi_a, \varphi_b] - D_i \varphi_a D_j \varphi_b + D_j \varphi_a D_i \varphi_b \right. \\ & - 3\Omega_a^k F_{[ij} D_{k]} \varphi_b + 3\Omega_b^k F_{[ij} D_{k]} \varphi_a \\ & \left. + \Omega_a^k \Omega_b^l (F_{ij} F_{kl} - F_{ik} F_{jl} + F_{il} F_{jk}) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

where we introduced the notation of antisymmetrization of indices $A_{[i_1 \dots i_n]}$ with the normalization $1/n!$. The first line in the right hand side in (3.10) becomes the total derivative. The corresponding surface term depends on the values of the field configuration at infinity, which satisfies the vacuum condition $F_{mn} = G_{ma} = H_{ab} = 0$. In particular the values $\langle \varphi_a \rangle$ of the scalar fields at infinity satisfy the equation

$$i[\langle \varphi_a \rangle, \langle \varphi_b \rangle] - T_{ab}^c \langle \varphi_c \rangle = 0. \quad (3.11)$$

Here the torsion T_{ab}^c is written in terms of the deformation parameters and is given in appendix B. In the case of the half twist, $\langle \varphi_1 \rangle$ and $\langle \varphi_2 \rangle$ can be nonzero, which commute with each other, while $\langle \varphi_3 \rangle$, $\langle \varphi_4 \rangle$, $\langle \varphi_5 \rangle$ and $\langle \varphi_6 \rangle$ are zero. Using this vacuum configuration we find that the surface term from the first line in (3.10) vanishes. The second and the third lines vanish also in the NS limit. Therefore V_{ijab} does not contribute to the algebra (3.2). In a similar way, we can show that neither $Z_{ij,abc}$ nor $Z_{ijk,ab}$ contributes to the algebra. This implies that under the vacuum boundary condition the BPS vortices, the BPS domain walls and the space-filling BPS objects do not exist in this theory. This is similar to the case of the undeformed $\mathcal{N} = 2^*$ and $\mathcal{N} = 4$ theories. For Ω -deformed $\mathcal{N} = 2$ super Yang-Mills theory, see [17]. We finally obtain the supersymmetry algebra

$$\begin{aligned} \{Q_{11}, \bar{Q}_1^1\} &= 2(P^0 + P^3), & \{Q_{22}, \bar{Q}_2^2\} &= 2(P^0 - P^3), \\ \{Q_{11}, Q_{22}\} &= 2Z, & \{\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^2\} &= 2\bar{Z}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

and the other (anti-)commutators vanish. Here the central charge Z is given by

$$Z = (q_1^{(m)} + iq_2^{(m)}) + i(q_1^{(e)} + iq_2^{(e)}). \quad (3.13)$$

From (3.12) the BPS bound for the mass M becomes

$$M \geq |Z| = \sqrt{(q_1^{(m)} - q_2^{(e)})^2 + (q_2^{(m)} + q_1^{(e)})^2}. \quad (3.14)$$

The supercharges preserved by the BPS states are given by

$$Q_{11} - e^{i\theta} \bar{Q}_2^2, \quad \bar{Q}_1^1 - e^{-i\theta} Q_{22}. \quad (3.15)$$

Here θ is the argument of Z and satisfies

$$\tan \theta = \frac{q_2^{(e)} + q_1^{(m)}}{q_1^{(e)} - q_2^{(m)}}. \quad (3.16)$$

Since two supercharges out of four are preserved, these states are the 1/2 BPS states.

3.2 Vafa-Witten and Marcus twists

In the case of the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists with the NS limit, we have the conserved supercharges Q_{11} , Q_{22} , Q_{13} , Q_{24} , $\bar{Q}_1^1$, $\bar{Q}_2^2$, $\bar{Q}_1^3$ and $\bar{Q}_2^4$. The supersymmetry generator $\zeta^{\alpha A} Q_{\alpha A} + \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha} A} \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha} A}$ is

$$\zeta^{11} Q_{11} + \zeta^{22} Q_{22} + \zeta^{13} Q_{13} + \zeta^{24} Q_{24} + \bar{Q}_1^1 \bar{\zeta}^1_1 + \bar{Q}_2^2 \bar{\zeta}^2_2 + \bar{Q}_1^3 \bar{\zeta}^1_3 + \bar{Q}_2^4 \bar{\zeta}^2_4. \quad (3.17)$$

From the vacuum conditions given in appendix B, we can show that the supersymmetry algebra (3.2) does not contain the central charge for the BPS vortices, the BPS domain walls and the space-filling BPS objects, as in the case of the half twist. The supersymmetry algebra reads

$$\begin{aligned} \{Q_{11}, \bar{Q}_1^1\} &= \{Q_{13}, \bar{Q}_1^3\} = 2(P^0 + P^3), & \{Q_{22}, \bar{Q}_2^2\} &= \{Q_{24}, \bar{Q}_2^4\} = 2(P^0 - P^3), \\ \{Q_{11}, Q_{22}\} &= 2i(q_1 + iq_2), & \{\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^2\} &= -2i(\bar{q}_1 - i\bar{q}_2), \\ \{Q_{13}, Q_{22}\} &= 2i(q_5 + iq_6), & \{\bar{Q}_1^3, \bar{Q}_2^2\} &= -2i(\bar{q}_5 - i\bar{q}_6), \\ \{Q_{13}, Q_{24}\} &= 2i(q_1 - iq_2), & \{\bar{Q}_1^3, \bar{Q}_2^4\} &= -2i(\bar{q}_1 + i\bar{q}_2), \\ \{Q_{11}, Q_{24}\} &= -2i(q_5 - iq_6), & \{\bar{Q}_1^1, \bar{Q}_2^4\} &= 2i(\bar{q}_5 + i\bar{q}_6), \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

where q_a ($a = 1, 2, 5, 6$) are the complexified electric-magnetic charges defined by

$$q_a = q_a^{(e)} - iq_a^{(m)}. \quad (3.19)$$

Here the electric charges $q_a^{(e)}$ in (3.3) and the magnetic charges $q_a^{(m)}$ in (3.4) become

$$\begin{aligned} q_a^{(e)} &= \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} \left[D_i (F^{i0} \varphi_a) + \sum_{b=1,2,5,6} \epsilon_b^1 (x_1 D_2 - x_2 D_1) \{ (D_0 \varphi_b - \epsilon_b^1 x_1 F_{20} + \epsilon_b^1 x_2 F_{10}) \varphi_a \} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \epsilon_a^1 (\varphi_3 D_0 \varphi_4 - \varphi_4 D_0 \varphi_3 + x_1 \mathcal{T}^0_2 - x_2 \mathcal{T}^0_1) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

$$q_a^{(m)} = \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} \left[\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{ijk} D_k (F_{ij} \varphi_a) \right], \quad (a = 1, 2, 5, 6). \quad (3.21)$$

From (3.18) the BPS bound is given by

$$M \geq \sqrt{|q^{(e)}|^2 + |q^{(m)}|^2 \pm 2|q^{(e)}||q^{(m)}|\sin\alpha}, \quad (3.22)$$

where $|q^{(e)}|$ and $|q^{(m)}|$ are the lengths of the vectors $q^{(e)} = (q_1^{(e)}, q_2^{(e)}, q_5^{(e)}, q_6^{(e)})$ and $q^{(m)} = (q_1^{(m)}, q_2^{(m)}, q_5^{(m)}, q_6^{(m)})$, respectively. α is the angle between the vectors $q^{(e)}$ and $q^{(m)}$. The bound (3.22) has the same form as the undeformed theory [35, 37] except that the charges with the indices $a = 3, 4$ do not contribute. This is because those charges vanish due to the vacuum conditions. The number of supercharges preserved by the BPS states depends on whether $\sin\alpha$ is zero or nonzero.

In the case of $\sin\alpha = 0$, the supercharges preserved by the BPS states are

$$Q_{11} - v_1 \bar{Q}_2^2 + v_2 \bar{Q}_2^4, \quad Q_{13} - v_3 \bar{Q}_2^2 - v_4 \bar{Q}_2^4, \quad (3.23)$$

and their complex conjugates from the algebras (3.18). Here the coefficients v_i ($i = 1, \dots, 4$) are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= \frac{i(q_1 + iq_2)}{\sqrt{|q^{(m)}|^2 + |q^{(e)}|^2}}, & v_2 &= \frac{i(q_5 - iq_6)}{\sqrt{|q^{(m)}|^2 + |q^{(e)}|^2}}, \\ v_3 &= \frac{i(q_5 + iq_6)}{\sqrt{|q^{(m)}|^2 + |q^{(e)}|^2}}, & v_4 &= \frac{i(q_1 - iq_2)}{\sqrt{|q^{(m)}|^2 + |q^{(e)}|^2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.24)$$

Since four supercharges out of eight are preserved, these states are the $1/2$ BPS states.

For nonzero $\sin\alpha$, the supercharges preserved by the BPS states are

$$w_1 Q_{11} + w_2 Q_{13} + w_3 \bar{Q}_2^2 + w_4 \bar{Q}_2^4, \quad (3.25)$$

and its complex conjugate. Here the coefficients w_i ($i = 1, \dots, 4$) are defined by

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ w_4 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{|A|^2 + |B|^2 + |C|^2 + |D|^2} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \\ C \\ D \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.26)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{1}{2}[(q_1 - iq_2)(\bar{q}_5 + i\bar{q}_6) - (q_5 + iq_6)(\bar{q}_1 - i\bar{q}_2)], \\ B &= -\frac{i}{2}(q_1\bar{q}_2 - q_2\bar{q}_1 - q_5\bar{q}_6 + q_6\bar{q}_5) \mp |q^{(e)}||q^{(m)}|\sin\alpha, \\ C &= -i \frac{(q_1 + iq_2)A + (q_5 + iq_6)B}{(|q^{(e)}|^2 + |q^{(m)}|^2 \pm 2|q^{(e)}||q^{(m)}|\sin\alpha)^{1/2}}, \\ D &= -i \frac{(q_5 - iq_6)A - (q_1 - iq_2)B}{(|q^{(e)}|^2 + |q^{(m)}|^2 \pm 2|q^{(e)}||q^{(m)}|\sin\alpha)^{1/2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.27)$$

Since two supercharges out of eight are preserved, these states are the $1/4$ BPS states. Note that $|q^{(e)}||q^{(m)}|\sin\alpha$ is written in terms of the complexified charges (3.19) as

$$|q^{(e)}|^2 |q^{(m)}|^2 \sin^2\alpha = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{a,b=1,2,5,6} |q_a \bar{q}_b - q_b \bar{q}_a|^2. \quad (3.28)$$

The limit $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ is equivalent to $|q_a \bar{q}_b - q_b \bar{q}_a| \rightarrow 0$ for any a, b . Although A, B, C and D become zero in this limit, we can take the limit $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ keeping either $w_{3,4}/w_1$ or $w_{3,4}/w_2$ fixed. We then obtain the parameters v_i for the 1/2 BPS states.

4 Ω -deformed BPS equations

In this section we study the BPS equations deformed in the Ω -background in the NS limit. These equations can be obtained by setting the supersymmetry transformations (2.15) of the fermions to be zero. In the undeformed theory, we have the BPS equations for the 1/2 BPS dyons and the 1/4 BPS dyons [37, 38]. The 1/2 BPS dyon solutions are preserved by the supersymmetry transformations with the parameters satisfying the conditions

$$\zeta_\alpha^{A'} = -e^{-i\theta} \delta_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \varepsilon^{A'B'} \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha}}_{B'}, \quad \zeta_\alpha^{\hat{A}} = -e^{-i\theta} \delta_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \varepsilon^{\hat{A}\hat{B}} \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha}}_{\hat{B}}. \quad (4.1)$$

Here we decompose the R-symmetry index A into $A' = 1, 2$ and $\hat{A} = 3, 4$. θ is a real parameter. Substituting (4.1) to the vanishing condition for the supersymmetry transformations (2.15) of the fermions without the deformation, we obtain the 1/2 BPS dyon equations:

$$\begin{aligned} E_i + \sin \theta D_i \varphi_1 &= 0, \\ B_i + \cos \theta D_i \varphi_1 &= 0, \\ D_0 \varphi_1 &= 0, \\ D_m \varphi_c &= 0, \quad (c = 2, \dots, 6), \\ [\varphi_a, \varphi_b] &= 0, \quad (a, b = 1, \dots, 6). \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

Here the electric field E_i and the magnetic field B_i are introduced by $E_i = F_{0i}$, $B_i = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{ijk} F_{jk}$. The 1/4 BPS dyons are preserved by the supersymmetry with the parameters satisfying

$$\zeta_\alpha^{A'} = -e^{-i\theta} \delta_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \varepsilon^{A'B'} \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha}}_{B'}, \quad \zeta_\alpha^{\hat{A}} = \bar{\zeta}^{\dot{\alpha}}_{\hat{A}} = 0. \quad (4.3)$$

In a similar way we obtain the 1/4 BPS dyon equations. The parameter θ disappears in the BPS equations by defining

$$\phi_1 = \varphi_1 \cos \theta + \varphi_2 \sin \theta, \quad \phi_2 = -\varphi_1 \sin \theta + \varphi_2 \cos \theta. \quad (4.4)$$

The 1/4 BPS dyon equations become

$$\begin{aligned} E_i - D_i \phi_2 &= 0, \\ B_i + D_i \phi_1 &= 0, \\ D_0 \phi_1 - i[\phi_1, \phi_2] &= 0, \\ D_0 \phi_2 &= 0, \\ D_i \varphi_a &= 0, \\ D_0 \varphi_a + i[\phi_2, \varphi_a] &= 0, \\ [\phi_1, \varphi_a] &= 0, \quad (a = 3, 4, 5, 6), \\ [\varphi_3, \varphi_6] - [\varphi_4, \varphi_5] &= [\varphi_3, \varphi_5] + [\varphi_4, \varphi_6] = [\varphi_3, \varphi_4] - [\varphi_5, \varphi_6] = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

Note that the 1/2 BPS equations are consistent with the equations of motion. But for the 1/4 BPS equations, we have to impose the Gauss' law constraints:

$$D_i E_i + i \sum_{a=1}^6 [\varphi_a, D_0 \varphi_a] = 0, \quad (4.6)$$

so that they are consistent with the equations of motion [33].

4.1 1/2 BPS equations for the half twist

First we consider the 1/2 BPS dyon equations in the theory with the half twist. The BPS states in this theory preserve the supercharges (3.15), which are parametrized by ζ satisfying

$$\zeta^{11} = -e^{-i\theta} \bar{\zeta}^2_2, \quad \zeta^{22} = -e^{-i\theta} \bar{\zeta}^1_1. \quad (4.7)$$

Requiring the supersymmetry transformation (2.15) of the fermions $\delta\Lambda$ and $\delta\bar{\Lambda}$ to be zero for (4.7), we obtain the 1/2 BPS dyon equations. As in the undeformed theory, it is convenient to remove the explicit θ -dependence from the BPS equations. In addition to (4.4) we define

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_1^1 &\equiv \cos \theta \epsilon_1^1 + \sin \theta \epsilon_2^1, & \varepsilon_1^2 &\equiv -\sin \theta \epsilon_1^1 + \cos \theta \epsilon_2^1, \\ \mu_1 &\equiv \cos \theta m_1 + \sin \theta m_2, & \mu_2 &\equiv -\sin \theta m_1 + \cos \theta m_2, \\ \omega_1^{mn} &\equiv \cos \theta \Omega_1^{mn} + \sin \theta \Omega_2^{mn}, & \omega_2^{mn} &\equiv -\sin \theta \Omega_1^{mn} + \cos \theta \Omega_2^{mn}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

The 1/2 BPS dyon equations become

$$\begin{aligned} E_i - (D_i \phi_2 + \omega_2^m F_{mi}) &= 0, \\ B_i + (D_i \phi_1 + \omega_1^m F_{mi}) - i\delta_{3,i} ([\varphi_3, \varphi_4] - [\varphi_5, \varphi_6]) &= 0, \\ D_0 \phi_1 + \omega_1^m F_{m0} - i[\phi_1, \phi_2] + \omega_1^m D_m \phi_2 - \omega_2^m D_m \phi_1 &= 0, \\ D_0 \phi_2 + \omega_2^m F_{m0} &= 0, \\ (D_1 + iD_2)(\varphi_3 - i\varphi_4) &= 0, \\ (D_1 + iD_2)(\varphi_5 + i\varphi_6) &= 0, \\ D_3 \varphi_a + i(-1)^{f(a)} \left([\phi_1, \varphi_{f(a)}] + i\omega_1^m D_m \varphi_{f(a)} - (-1)^{f(a)} \frac{i}{2} (\varepsilon_1^1 + (-1)^{g(a)} \mu_1) \varphi_a \right) &= 0, \\ D_0 \varphi_a + i[\phi_2, \varphi_a] - \omega_2^m D_m \varphi_a + (-1)^{f(a)} \frac{1}{2} (\varepsilon_2^1 + (-1)^{g(a)} \mu_2) \varphi_{f(a)} &= 0, \quad (a = 3, 4, 5, 6), \\ [\varphi_3, \varphi_6] - [\varphi_4, \varphi_5] &= [\varphi_3, \varphi_5] + [\varphi_4, \varphi_6] = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

where $f(a) \equiv a - (-1)^a$ and $g(a) \equiv [a/5]$ ($a = 3, 4, 5, 6$). Here $[x]$ denotes Gauss' symbol. Their values are given by

$$\begin{aligned} f(3) &= 4, & f(4) &= 3, & f(5) &= 6, & f(6) &= 5, \\ g(3) &= 0, & g(4) &= 0, & g(5) &= 1, & g(6) &= 1. \end{aligned} \quad (4.10)$$

We note that the supersymmetry condition (4.7) is included in that of (4.3). So we compare the 1/2 BPS dyon equations (4.9) with the undeformed 1/4 BPS dyon equations (4.5) rather than the 1/2 BPS dyon equations (4.2). The equations for the electric and the magnetic fields are deformed. For the scalar fields, the equations with the derivative along the zeroth and the third directions are also deformed. The equations for the scalar fields $\varphi_3, \dots, \varphi_6$ with the derivative along the x^1 - and x^2 -directions are the holomorphic form. On the other hand the equations of the antiholomorphic part do not appear because the corresponding supersymmetry is broken by the Ω -deformation. These holomorphic equations are the vortex-like equations. Note that we have to impose the Gauss' law constraints in the NS limit:

$$D_i E_i - \sum_{a=1,2} \left(D^m [\Omega_{ma} (D_0 \varphi_a + \Omega_a^p F_{p0})] - i [\varphi_a, D_0 \varphi_a + \Omega_a^p F_{p0}] \right) + i \sum_{a=3}^6 [\varphi_a, D_0 \varphi_a] = 0, \quad (4.11)$$

so that the BPS equations are consistent with the equations of motion, as in the case of the 1/4 BPS equations of the undeformed theory.

4.2 1/2 BPS equations for the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists

We next consider the 1/2 BPS dyon equations in the theory with the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists. The BPS states preserve the supercharges (3.23). The parameters ζ and $\bar{\zeta}$ of the supersymmetry transformation (3.17) satisfy the conditions

$$\zeta^{22} = -\bar{v}_1 \bar{\zeta}_1^1 - \bar{v}_3 \bar{\zeta}_3^1, \quad \zeta^{24} = \bar{v}_2 \bar{\zeta}_1^1 - \bar{v}_4 \bar{\zeta}_3^1, \quad (4.12)$$

and their complex conjugates. As in the case of the half twist, we have the 1/2 BPS dyon equations. But in order to obtain the BPS equations which have the nontrivial electric and magnetic fields, we need to impose the following conditions for v_i 's:

$$(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4) = (v_1, 0, 0, \pm v_1), \quad \text{or} \quad (0, v_2, \pm v_2, 0). \quad (4.13)$$

These four cases are equivalent up to the field redefinition by the R-symmetry transformation. We consider the case $v_1 = v_4$ and $v_2 = v_3 = 0$, where $q_2 = q_5 = q_6 = 0$. Since we have $|v_1| = 1$ from (3.24), we can introduce the angle θ by

$$v_1 = \frac{iq_1}{|q_1|} = e^{i\theta}. \quad (4.14)$$

In this case, the preserved supercharges are given by

$$Q_{11} - e^{i\theta} \bar{Q}_2^2, \quad Q_{13} - e^{i\theta} \bar{Q}_2^4, \quad (4.15)$$

and their complex conjugates. These are included in the supercharges preserved by the undeformed 1/2 BPS equations. The deformed 1/2 BPS dyon equations in the Vafa-Witten twist are

$$\begin{aligned} E_i + (D_i \varphi_1 + \Omega_1^m F_{mi}) \sin \theta &= 0, \\ B_i + (D_i \varphi_1 + \Omega_1^m F_{mi}) \cos \theta - i \delta_{3,i} [\varphi_3, \varphi_4] &= 0, \\ D_0 \varphi_1 + \Omega_1^m F_{m0} &= 0, \\ D_m \varphi_a + \Omega_a^n F_{nm} &= 0, \quad (a = 2, 5, 6), \\ (D_1 + i D_2)(\varphi_3 - i \varphi_4) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_3\varphi_b + i(-1)^{f(b)}\left([\varphi_1, \varphi_{f(b)}] + i\Omega_1^m D_m \varphi_{f(b)} - i(-1)^{f(b)}\epsilon_1^1 \varphi_b\right) \cos \theta &= 0, \\
 D_0\varphi_b + i\left([\varphi_1, \varphi_b] + i\Omega_1^m D_m \varphi_b + i(-1)^{f(b)}\epsilon_1^1 \varphi_{f(b)}\right) \sin \theta &= 0, \quad (b = 3, 4), \\
 H_{cd} = 0, \quad (1 \leq c < d \leq 6, (c, d) \neq (1, 3), (1, 4), (3, 4)), & \quad (4.16)
 \end{aligned}$$

where the function $f(a)$ is given by (4.10). Comparing the deformed 1/2 BPS equations (4.16) with the undeformed 1/2 BPS equation (4.2), we find that the equations for the electric and the magnetic fields are deformed only by the deformation parameter ϵ_1^1 . The other deformation parameters appear in the equations for the scalar fields. For the scalar fields φ_3, φ_4 the equations along the x^1 - and x^2 -directions are the holomorphic forms, but the equations for the scalar fields φ_5, φ_6 are not holomorphic. Note that (4.16) is consistent with the equations of motion without imposing the Gauss' law constraints.

4.3 1/4 BPS equations for the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists

We finally consider the deformed 1/4 BPS dyon equations in the theory with the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists. The BPS states preserve the supercharges (3.25). The parameters $\zeta, \bar{\zeta}$ of the supersymmetry transformations (3.17) for the BPS states are expressed by introducing parameters η and $\bar{\eta}$ as

$$\zeta^{11} = w_1 \eta, \quad \zeta^{22} = \bar{w}_3 \bar{\eta}, \quad \zeta^{13} = w_2 \eta, \quad \zeta^{24} = \bar{w}_4 \bar{\eta}, \quad (4.17)$$

and their complex conjugates.

Substituting (4.17) into the conditions $\delta\Lambda = 0$ and $\delta\bar{\Lambda} = 0$, we have the BPS equations. In order to obtain the BPS equations which have the nontrivial electric and magnetic fields, we must take the limit $w_1, w_3 \rightarrow 0$, $w_1, w_4 \rightarrow 0$, $w_2, w_3 \rightarrow 0$, or $w_2, w_4 \rightarrow 0$. These four limits are shown to be equivalent to each other by the field redefinition. Let us consider the limit $w_2, w_4 \rightarrow 0$. More precisely we need to take the limit $w_2, w_4 \rightarrow 0$ such that

$$\frac{w_2}{w_1} \rightarrow 0, \quad \frac{w_3}{w_1} \rightarrow -e^{i\theta}, \quad \frac{w_4}{w_1} \rightarrow 0, \quad (4.18)$$

are satisfied. Here the angle parameter θ is given by

$$e^{i\theta} = \frac{i(q_1 + iq_2)}{|q_1 + iq_2|}. \quad (4.19)$$

This can be done by the limit $q_5, q_6 \rightarrow 0$ with fixed q_5/q_6 , q_1 and q_2 . The preserved supercharges now have the same form as (3.15). The deformed 1/4 BPS dyon equations are

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_i - (D_i \phi_2 + \omega_2^m F_{mi}) &= 0, \\
 B_i + (D_i \phi_1 + \omega_1^m F_{mi}) - i\delta_{3,i}([\varphi_3, \varphi_4] - [\varphi_5, \varphi_6] - i\Omega_5^m D_m \varphi_6 + i\Omega_6^m D_m \varphi_5) &= 0, \\
 D_0 \phi_1 + \omega_1^m F_{m0} - i[\phi_1, \phi_2] + \omega_1^m D_m \phi_2 - \omega_2^m D_m \phi_1 &= 0, \\
 D_0 \phi_2 + \omega_2^m F_{m0} &= 0, \\
 (D_1 + iD_2)(\varphi_3 - i\varphi_4) &= 0, \\
 D_3 \varphi_a + i(-1)^{f(a)}\left([\phi_1, \varphi_{f(a)}] + i\omega_1^m D_m \varphi_{f(a)} - i(-1)^{f(a)}\epsilon_1^1 \varphi_a\right) &= 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_0\varphi_a + i[\phi_2, \varphi_a] - \omega_2^m D_m \varphi_a + (-1)^{f(a)} \varepsilon_1^1 \varphi_{f(a)} &= 0, \quad (a=3, 4), \\
 (D_1 + iD_2)(\varphi_5 + i\varphi_6) + (\Omega_5^m + i\Omega_6^m)(F_{m1} + iF_{m2}) &= 0, \\
 D_3\varphi_b + \Omega_b^m F_{m3} + i(-1)^{f(b)} \left([\phi_1, \varphi_{f(b)}] + i\omega_1^m D_m \varphi_{f(b)} - i\Omega_{f(b)}^m D_m \phi_2 \right) &= 0, \\
 D_0\varphi_b + \Omega_b^m F_{m0} + i[\phi_2, \varphi_b] - \omega_2^m D_m \varphi_b + \Omega_b^m D_m \phi_2 &= 0, \quad (b=5, 6), \\
 [\varphi_3, \varphi_6] - [\varphi_4, \varphi_5] - i\Omega_6^m D_m \varphi_3 + i\Omega_5^m D_m \varphi_4 - i\varepsilon_5^1 \varphi_3 - i\varepsilon_6^1 \varphi_4 &= 0, \\
 [\varphi_3, \varphi_5] + [\varphi_4, \varphi_6] - i\Omega_5^m D_m \varphi_3 - i\Omega_6^m D_m \varphi_4 + i\varepsilon_6^1 \varphi_3 - i\varepsilon_5^1 \varphi_4 &= 0, \quad (4.20)
 \end{aligned}$$

where ϕ_a , ω_a^m and ε_a^1 ($a = 1, 2$) are given by (4.8), and the functions $f(a)$ and $g(a)$ are given by (4.10). The equations (4.20) are the Ω -deformation of the undeformed 1/4 BPS equation (4.5). They become the same as in the half twist (4.9) when $\varepsilon_5^1 = \varepsilon_6^1 = 0$ and $\mu_a = \varepsilon_a^1/2$ ($a = 1, 2$) [22]. We have to impose the Gauss' law constraint in the NS limit:

$$D_i E_i - \sum_{a=1,2,5,6} \left(D^m [\Omega_{ma} (D_0 \varphi_a + \Omega_a^p F_{p0})] - i[\varphi_a, D_0 \varphi_a + \Omega_a^p F_{p0}] \right) + i \sum_{a=3,4} [\varphi_a, D_0 \varphi_a] = 0, \quad (4.21)$$

for the consistency with the equations of motion.

4.4 BPS equations from Bogomol'nyi completion

We can derive the deformed BPS equations (4.9), (4.16) and (4.20) from the Bogomol'nyi completion of the energy $E = P^0$, which is given by

$$E = \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \int d^3x \operatorname{Tr} \left[\frac{1}{2} E_i^2 + \frac{1}{2} B_i^2 + \frac{1}{2} G_{0a}^2 + \frac{1}{2} G_{ia}^2 + \frac{1}{4} H_{ab}^2 \right]. \quad (4.22)$$

Here the fermionic part is omitted. We will study the completion of the energy for each BPS equation.

1/2 BPS equations in the half twist. We first perform the Bogomol'nyi completion of the energy in the half twist and will derive the 1/2 BPS equations (4.9). We find that the energy (4.22) is rewritten as the sum of the complete squared forms, the magnetic charges and the deformed electric charges:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E = \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \operatorname{Tr} & \left[\frac{1}{2} \left\{ E_i - (D_i \phi_2 + \omega_2^j F_{ji}) \right\}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ B_i + (D_i \phi_1 + \omega_1^j F_{ji}) - \delta_{3i} (H_{34} - H_{56}) \right\}^2 \right. \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \left(D_0 \phi_1 + \omega_1^j F_{j0} - h_{12} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left(D_0 \phi_2 + \omega_2^j F_{j0} \right)^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} |(D_1 + iD_2)(\varphi_3 - i\varphi_4)|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |(D_1 - iD_2)(\varphi_5 - i\varphi_6)|^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} (D_3 \varphi_3 + h_{14})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (D_3 \varphi_4 - h_{13})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (D_3 \varphi_5 - h_{16})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (D_3 \varphi_6 + h_{15})^2 \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=3,4,5,6} (D_0 \varphi_a + h_{2a})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (H_{36} - H_{45})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (H_{35} + H_{46})^2 \right] \\
 & - (q_1^{(e)} + q_2^{(m)}) \sin \theta + (q_2^{(e)} - q_1^{(m)}) \cos \theta. \quad (4.23)
 \end{aligned}$$

Here we define

$$h_{1a} \equiv H_{1a} \cos \theta + H_{2a} \sin \theta, \quad h_{2a} \equiv -H_{1a} \sin \theta + H_{2a} \cos \theta. \quad (4.24)$$

Then the energy is bounded from below as

$$E \geq -(q_1^{(e)} + q_2^{(m)}) \sin \theta + (q_2^{(e)} - q_1^{(m)}) \cos \theta. \quad (4.25)$$

In order that this inequality holds for any θ , the energy must satisfy the following inequality:

$$E \geq \sqrt{(q_1^{(e)} + q_2^{(m)})^2 + (q_2^{(e)} - q_1^{(m)})^2}. \quad (4.26)$$

The inequality is saturated when each squared form in (4.23) vanishes and θ is given by (3.16). When the equality holds, we obtain the 1/2 BPS equations (4.9). The energy bound (4.26) is given by the absolute value of the central charge (3.14).

1/2 BPS equations in the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists. We will derive the 1/2 BPS equations (4.16) in the Vafa-Witten and Marcus twists from the Bogomol'nyi completion of the energy. We find that the energy (4.22) is rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} E = & \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} \left[\frac{1}{2} \left\{ E_i + (D_i \varphi_1 + \Omega_1^j F_{ji}) \sin \theta \right\}^2 \right. \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ B_i + (D_i \varphi_1 + \Omega_1^j F_{ji}) \cos \theta - \delta_{3,i} H_{34} \right\}^2 + \frac{1}{2} (D_0 \varphi_1 + \Omega_1^j F_{j0})^2 \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{i=1,2 \\ a=2,5,6}} (D_i \varphi_a + \Omega_a^j F_{ji})^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{m=0,3 \\ a=2,5,6}} (D_m \varphi_a + \Omega_a^j F_{jm})^2 \cos^2 \theta \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=2,5,6} \left\{ (D_0 \varphi_a + \Omega_a^j F_{j0}) \sin \theta - H_{1a} \right\}^2 \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=2,5,6} \left\{ (D_3 \varphi_a + \Omega_a^j F_{j3}) \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{abc} H_{bc} \right\}^2 + \frac{1}{2} |(D_1 + iD_2)(\varphi_3 - i\varphi_4)|^2 \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=3,4} \left\{ (D_3 \varphi_a + (-1)^{f(a)} H_{1,f(a)} \cos \theta)^2 + (D_0 \varphi_a - H_{1a} \sin \theta)^2 \right\} \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{2} (H_{23}^2 + H_{24}^2 + H_{35}^2 + H_{36}^2 + H_{45}^2 + H_{46}^2) \right] - q_1^{(e)} \sin \theta - q_1^{(m)} \cos \theta, \quad (4.27) \end{aligned}$$

where θ is a phase factor and ε^{abc} ($a, b, c = 2, 5, 6$) is the totally antisymmetric tensor with $\varepsilon^{256} = 1$. $f(a)$ is given by (4.10). Maximizing the energy bound with respect to θ , we obtain the inequality

$$E \geq \sqrt{(q_1^{(m)})^2 + (q_1^{(e)})^2}. \quad (4.28)$$

The inequality is saturated when each squared form in (4.27) vanishes and θ satisfies $\tan \theta = q_1^{(e)} / q_1^{(m)}$, which is the same as (4.14). The condition that each squared form vanishes gives the 1/2 BPS equations (4.16). The energy bound (4.28) is given by the BPS bound of (3.22) for $q_a^{(m)} = q_a^{(e)} = 0$ ($a = 2, 5, 6$), which corresponds to the condition such that the supercharges (4.15) are preserved.

1/4 BPS equations in the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists. We next discuss the 1/4 BPS equations (4.20) from the Bogomol'nyi completion. We find that the energy (4.22) is rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}
 E = \int d^3x \frac{1}{\kappa g^2} \text{Tr} & \left[\frac{1}{2} \left\{ E_i - (D_i \phi_2 + \omega_2^j F_{ji}) \right\}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ B_i + (D_i \phi_1 + \omega_1^j F_{ji}) - \delta_{3i} (H_{34} - H_{56}) \right\}^2 \right. \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ D_0 \phi_1 + \omega_1^j F_{j0} - h_{12} \right\}^2 + \frac{1}{2} (D_0 \phi_2 + \omega_2^j F_{j0})^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} |(D_1 + iD_2)(\varphi_3 - i\varphi_4)|^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} (D_3 \varphi_3 + h_{14})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (D_3 \varphi_4 - h_{13})^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} |(D_1 - iD_2)(\varphi_5 - i\varphi_6) + (F_{j1} - iF_{j2})(\Omega_5^j - i\Omega_6^j)|^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} (D_3 \varphi_5 + \Omega_5^j F_{j3} - h_{16})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (D_3 \varphi_6 + \Omega_6^j F_{j3} + h_{15})^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=3,4} (D_0 \varphi_a + h_{2a})^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=5,6} (D_0 \varphi_a + \Omega_a^j F_{j0} + h_{2a})^2 \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{2} (H_{36} - H_{45})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (H_{35} + H_{46})^2 \right] \\
 & - (q_1^{(e)} + q_2^{(m)}) \sin \theta + (q_2^{(e)} - q_1^{(m)}) \cos \theta.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.29}$$

Then the energy is bounded from below as

$$E \geq \sqrt{(q_1^{(e)} + q_2^{(m)})^2 + (q_2^{(e)} - q_1^{(m)})^2}. \tag{4.30}$$

The inequality is saturated when θ is given by (4.19) and the complete squared forms in (4.29) vanish. The latter condition gives the 1/4 BPS equations (4.20). The energy bound (4.30) is given by the BPS bound (3.22) with $q_a^{(m)} = q_a^{(e)} = 0$ ($a = 5, 6$).

5 Conclusion

In this paper, we studied the central charge of the supersymmetry algebra and the deformed BPS dyon equations in the NS limit of four-dimensional $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory in the Ω -background. We took the NS limit such that the Poincaré symmetry in the (x^0, x^3) -subspace is recovered and the energy and the momentum along the x^3 -direction of the theory are conserved.

The supersymmetry transformation of the supercurrent in the general ten-dimensional curved space provides the central charges of the supersymmetry algebra. By the dimensional reduction to four dimensions, we obtained the central charge of the $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory in the Ω -background associated with the topological twists of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ supersymmetry. The central charge is given by the electric and the magnetic charges. As in the $\mathcal{N} = 2$ case, the magnetic charge formula is not deformed by the Ω -background, while the electric charge formula is deformed. We obtained the BPS bound for the mass from the supersymmetry algebras. By the condition that the preserved supersymmetry transformation of the fermions vanish, we obtained the BPS equations for dyons. We found

1/2 BPS dyon equations for the half, the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists and 1/4 BPS dyon equations in the Vafa-Witten and the Marcus twists. These equations have been also derived from the Bogomol'nyi completion of the Ω -deformed energy.

It is an interesting problem to study the solutions of the deformed BPS equations and the deformed BPS spectrum. Since the Ω -background in the NS limit breaks the Poincaré symmetry in (x^1, x^2) -subspace, the BPS equations for dyons do not allow three-dimensional spherically symmetric solutions. It rather admits an axially symmetric solutions. For the $\mathcal{N} = 2$ super Yang-Mills theory in the Ω -background, the BPS monopole equations and their axially symmetric solutions with unit charge have been found [18, 19]. Since the present BPS equations reduce to the $\mathcal{N} = 2$ ones by the projection, we expect that for the $\mathcal{N} = 4$ theory the equations have similar type of solutions. It would be interesting to study the Nahm construction of the monopoles [39] for the construction of the solutions with higher charges and their moduli space. It is also interesting to study S-duality [8–10, 40–43] of the Ω -deformed $\mathcal{N} = 4$ theory as well as the relation to the integrable systems [15–17].

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A Four- and six-dimensional Dirac matrices

In this appendix, we provide the decomposition of the ten-dimensional Dirac matrices by the dimensional reduction to four dimensions and introduce the four and the six-dimensional Dirac matrices. The local Lorentz group $\text{SO}(10)$ is reduced to $\text{SO}(4) \times \text{SO}(6)_I$, where $\text{SO}(4) \simeq \text{SU}(2)_L \times \text{SU}(2)_R$ is the Lorentz group in four dimensions and $\text{SO}(6)_I \simeq \text{SU}(4)_I$ becomes the R-symmetry group. We decomposed the ten-dimensional vector index M as $M = (m, a + 4)$, ($m = 1, \dots, 4$, $a = 1, \dots, 6$). Here m, a are the indices for four-dimensional spacetime and the six-dimensional internal space. The ten-dimensional Dirac matrices are decomposed as

$$\Gamma^m = -i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (\sigma^m)_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \\ (\bar{\sigma}^m)^{\dot{\alpha}\alpha} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \mathbf{1}_8, \quad \Gamma^{a+4} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_2 & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbf{1}_2 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (\Sigma_a)^{AB} \\ (\bar{\Sigma}_a)_{AB} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where $(\sigma^m)_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}$, $(\bar{\sigma}^m)^{\dot{\alpha}\alpha}$, $(\Sigma_a)^{AB}$, $(\bar{\Sigma}_a)_{AB}$ are the four- and the six-dimensional Dirac matrices defined below. The indices $\alpha, \dot{\alpha} = 1, 2$ are the $\text{SU}(2)_L$ and $\text{SU}(2)_R$ spinor indices, respectively. These indices are raised and lowered by the antisymmetric ε -symbol normalized as $\varepsilon^{12} = -\varepsilon_{12} = 1$. $A = 1, 2, 3, 4$ is the index for the fundamental representation of $\text{SU}(4)_I$.

The four-dimensional Dirac matrices $(\sigma^m)_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}$ and $(\bar{\sigma}^m)^{\dot{\alpha}\alpha}$ with the Euclidean signature are $\sigma^m = (i\tau^1, i\tau^2, i\tau^3, \mathbf{1}_2)$, $\bar{\sigma}^m = (-i\tau^1, -i\tau^2, -i\tau^3, \mathbf{1}_2)$, ($m, n = 1, 2, 3, 4$). The four-dimensional Dirac matrices in the Minkowski signature are $\sigma^m = (-\mathbf{1}_2, \tau^1, \tau^2, \tau^3)$, $\bar{\sigma}^m =$

$(-\mathbf{1}_2, -\tau^1, -\tau^2, -\tau^3)$, $(m, n = 0, 1, 2, 3)$. Here $\mathbf{1}_n$ denotes the $n \times n$ identity matrix and τ^i ($i = 1, 2, 3$) are the Pauli matrices. The four-dimensional Lorentz generators are defined by $\sigma^{mn} = \frac{1}{4}(\sigma^m \bar{\sigma}^n - \sigma^n \bar{\sigma}^m)$, $\bar{\sigma}^{mn} = \frac{1}{4}(\bar{\sigma}^m \sigma^n - \bar{\sigma}^n \sigma^m)$.

The six-dimensional Dirac matrices $(\Sigma_a)^{AB}$ and $(\bar{\Sigma}_a)_{AB}$ are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} i\tau^2 & 0 \\ 0 & i\tau^2 \end{pmatrix}, & \Sigma_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} \tau^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -\tau^2 \end{pmatrix}, & \Sigma_3 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\tau^3 \\ \tau^3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \Sigma_4 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i\mathbf{1}_2 \\ -i\mathbf{1}_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & \Sigma_5 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\tau^1 \\ \tau^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & \Sigma_6 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \tau^2 \\ \tau^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \bar{\Sigma}_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} -i\tau^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -i\tau^2 \end{pmatrix}, & \bar{\Sigma}_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} \tau^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -\tau^2 \end{pmatrix}, & \bar{\Sigma}_3 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \tau^3 \\ -\tau^3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \bar{\Sigma}_4 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i\mathbf{1}_2 \\ -i\mathbf{1}_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & \bar{\Sigma}_5 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \tau^1 \\ -\tau^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & \bar{\Sigma}_6 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \tau^2 \\ \tau^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

The Lorentz generators $(\Sigma_{ab})^A{}_B$ and $(\bar{\Sigma}_{ab})_A{}^B$ are defined by

$$\Sigma_{ab} = \frac{1}{4}(\Sigma_a \bar{\Sigma}_b - \Sigma_b \bar{\Sigma}_a), \quad \bar{\Sigma}_{ab} = \frac{1}{4}(\bar{\Sigma}_a \Sigma_b - \bar{\Sigma}_b \Sigma_a). \quad (\text{A.3})$$

We also define the antisymmetrized products of the six-dimensional Dirac matrices $(\Sigma_{abc})^{AB}$, $(\bar{\Sigma}_{abc})_{AB}$, $(\Sigma_{abcd})^A{}_B$ and $(\bar{\Sigma}_{abcd})_A{}^B$ by

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{abc} &= \Sigma_{[a} \bar{\Sigma}_b \Sigma_{c]}, & \bar{\Sigma}_{abc} &= \bar{\Sigma}_{[a} \Sigma_b \bar{\Sigma}_{c]}, \\ \Sigma_{abcd} &= \Sigma_{[a} \bar{\Sigma}_b \Sigma_c \bar{\Sigma}_{d]}, & \bar{\Sigma}_{abcd} &= \bar{\Sigma}_{[a} \Sigma_b \bar{\Sigma}_c \Sigma_{d]}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

where the square bracket denotes the antisymmetrization defined in subsection 3.1.

B Vacuum conditions

In this appendix, we study the vacuum structure of the $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills theory in the Ω -background. This is necessary to determine the surface terms in the integral of the central charges. The vacua of the theory are defined by the conditions $F_{mn} = G_{ma} = H_{ab} = 0$. From the conditions $F_{mn} = 0$ and $D_m \varphi_a = 0$, the gauge field A_m vanishes and the scalar fields φ_a take the constant values $\langle \varphi_a \rangle$ up to gauge transformation. The values of the scalar fields are determined by the condition $H_{ab} = 0$ which reads

$$i[\langle \varphi_a \rangle, \langle \varphi_b \rangle] - T_{ab}{}^c \langle \varphi_c \rangle = 0. \quad (\text{B.1})$$

We solve the vacuum condition (B.1) for the Ω -backgrounds associated with the topological twists.

Half twist. In the case of the half twist, the non-zero components of $T_{ab}{}^c$ are

$$\begin{aligned} T_{13}{}^4 &= -T_{14}{}^3 = \frac{i}{4}(\epsilon_1^1 + \epsilon_1^2 + 2m_1), & T_{15}{}^6 &= -T_{16}{}^5 = -\frac{i}{4}(\epsilon_1^1 + \epsilon_1^2 - 2m_1), \\ T_{23}{}^4 &= -T_{24}{}^3 = \frac{i}{4}(\epsilon_2^1 + \epsilon_2^2 + 2m_2), & T_{25}{}^6 &= -T_{26}{}^5 = -\frac{i}{4}(\epsilon_2^1 + \epsilon_2^2 - 2m_2). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.2})$$

From the vacuum condition (B.1) with the torsion (B.2), we find that $\langle\varphi_a\rangle$ ($a = 1, 2$) belong to the Cartan subalgebra of the Lie algebra of the gauge group and $\langle\varphi_a\rangle = 0$ ($a = 3, \dots, 6$). The vacuum solution does not change in the NS limit.

Vafa-Witten twist. In the case of the Vafa-Witten twist, the non-zero components of $T_{ab}{}^c$ are

$$\begin{aligned} T_{13}{}^4 &= -T_{14}{}^3 = \frac{i}{2}(\epsilon_1^1 + \epsilon_1^2), & T_{23}{}^4 &= -T_{24}{}^3 = \frac{i}{2}(\epsilon_2^1 + \epsilon_2^2), \\ T_{53}{}^4 &= -T_{54}{}^3 = \frac{i}{2}(\epsilon_5^1 + \epsilon_5^2), & T_{63}{}^4 &= -T_{64}{}^3 = \frac{i}{2}(\epsilon_6^1 + \epsilon_6^2). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.3})$$

From the vacuum condition (B.1) with the torsion (B.3), $\langle\varphi_a\rangle$ ($a = 1, 2, 5, 6$) belong to the Cartan subalgebra and $\langle\varphi_a\rangle = 0$ ($a = 3, 4$). The vacuum solution does not change in the NS limit.

Marcus twist. In the case of the Marcus twist, the non-zero components of $T_{ab}{}^c$ are

$$\begin{aligned} T_{13}{}^4 &= -T_{14}{}^3 = \frac{i}{2}\epsilon_1^1, & T_{15}{}^6 &= -T_{16}{}^5 = -\frac{i}{2}\epsilon_1^2, \\ T_{23}{}^4 &= -T_{24}{}^3 = \frac{i}{2}\epsilon_2^1, & T_{25}{}^6 &= -T_{26}{}^5 = -\frac{i}{2}\epsilon_2^2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.4})$$

From the vacuum condition (B.1) and the torsion (B.4), $\langle\varphi_a\rangle$ ($a = 1, 2$) belong to the Cartan subalgebra and $\langle\varphi_a\rangle = 0$ ($a = 3, \dots, 6$). We note that in the NS limit $\epsilon_a^2 \rightarrow 0$, $\langle\varphi_5\rangle$ and $\langle\varphi_6\rangle$ also belong to the Cartan subalgebra. This NS limit corresponds to the special case of the Vafa-Witten twist.

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