On asymptotic stability of kinks for relativistic Ginzburg-Landau equation

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We consider nonlinear relativistic wave equation in one space dimension

$$\ddot{\psi}(x,t) = \psi''(x,t) + F(\psi(x,t)), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad F(\psi) = -U'(\psi), \tag{1}$$

where $U(\psi)$ is a potential of Ginzburg-Landau type

$$U(\psi) \sim (\psi^2 - 1)^2/4.$$

The kink is a nonconstant finite energy solution of stationary equation

$$s(x) \sim \tanh x/\sqrt{2}.$$

The corresponding moving kinks or solitary waves

$$s_{q,v}(t) = s(x - vt - q), \quad q, v \in \mathbb{R}, \quad |v| < 1, \quad \gamma = 1/\sqrt{1 - v^2}$$

are the solutions to equation (1). Our main results are the following asymptotics

$$(\psi(x,t),\psi(x,t)) \sim (s_{q_{\pm},v_{\pm}}(x-v_{\pm}t-q_{\pm}),\dot{s}_{q_{\pm},v_{\pm}}(x-v_{\pm}t-q_{\pm})) + W_0(t)\Phi_{\pm},$$

 $t \to \pm \infty$, for solutions to (1) with initial states close to a solitary wave. Here $W_0(t)$ is the dynamical group of the free Klein-Gordon equation, Φ_{\pm} are the corresponding asymptotic states, and the remainder converges to zero as $t^{-1/2}$ in the "global energy norm" of the Sobolev space $H^1(\mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\mathbb{R})$.

Crucial role in the proof play our results on dispersion decay for the corresponding linearized Klein-Gordon equations. Moreover, we introduce a new class of piece-wise quadratic potentials which allow an exact description of the spectral properties for the linearized dynamics.

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