

## Abundant Symmetries and Exact Compacton-Like Structures in the Two-Parameter Family of the Estevez-Mansfield-Clarkson Equations

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Abstract: The two-parameter family of Estevez-Mansfield-Clarkson equations with fully nonlinear dispersion (called  $E(m,n)$  equations),  $(u_z^m)_{zz\tau} + \gamma(u_z^n u_\tau)_z + u_{\tau\tau} = 0$  which is a generalized model of the integrable Estevez-Mansfield-Clarkson equation  $u_{zzz\tau} + \gamma(u_z u_{z\tau} + u_{zz} u_\tau) + u_{\tau\tau} = 0$ , is presented. Five types of symmetries of the  $E(m,n)$  equation are obtained by making use of the direct reduction method. Using these obtained reductions and some simple transformations, we obtain the solitary-like wave solutions of  $E(1,n)$  equation. In addition, we also find the compacton solutions (which are solitary waves with the property that after colliding with other compacton solutions, they reemerge with the same coherent shape) of  $E(3,2)$  equation and  $E(m,m-1)$  for its potentials, say,  $u_z$ , and compacton-like solutions of  $E(m,m-1)$  equations, respectively. Whether there exist compacton-like solutions of the other  $E(m,n)$  equation with  $m \neq n+1$  is still an open problem.

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