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Motivations

- In models describing CM systems SUSY has been observed to be an emergent symmetry, that is it appears in the effective theory describing the low-energy modes. On the other hand, at these scales the system is typically in a non-relativistic regime.

Therefore, it is physically relevant to construct NR SUSY models

- Non-relativistic holography: Non-relativistic generalisation of the AdS/CFT is of interest for the holographic description of CM systems.

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Which is the role of supersymmetry in NR holography?

- NR limits allow to improve our understanding of the relativistic theory:

- NR corners of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM to go beyond the planar limit in AdS/CFT

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- NR corners of M-theory: Null M5-branes on S^1 described by (4+1)d non-Lorentzian SUSY Lagrangians

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- Supermembrane in M-theory might allow for a UV completion in terms of a non-relativistic membrane

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- NR SYM theories should describe the low energy degrees of freedom of D-branes in NR open string theory

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**We are going to study (2+1)D gauge field theories with
 $\mathcal{N} = 2$ Super-Bargman symmetry**

From a QFT point of view important open questions are:

- Which are the renormalization properties of NR SUSY theories?
- Does SUSY conspire with the NR space-time symmetry to mild UV divergences?
- Do non-renormalization theorems still work ?

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Non-relativistic superalgebras

Bargmann algebra $(H, \vec{P}, \vec{J}, \vec{G}, M)$ $x' = Rx + vt + a, \quad t' = t + b$
 $M = U(1)$ central extension

There are different ways to obtain the **Super-Bargmann algebra** in $(d+1)D$

- Completing the Bargmann algebra with a set of fermionic generators and impose constraints on the algebra
- Taking the Inönü-Wigner contraction of the $(d+1)D$ super-Poincaré $\otimes U(1)$ algebra in the $c \rightarrow \infty$ limit
- By dimensionally reducing the $((d+1)+1)D$ relativistic SUSY algebra along a **null direction**

To construct a NR Superspace the most convenient approach is **null reduction**

Null reduction

- We start from the (3+1)D super-Poincarè algebra realized on the spacetime

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- Identify $\partial_+ \rightarrow \partial_t, \partial_- \rightarrow im \quad Q_\alpha \rightarrow Q_\alpha, \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}} \rightarrow Q_\alpha^\dagger \equiv \bar{Q}_\alpha$

Super-Bargmann & Super-Schroedinger algebras

$\mathcal{N} = 2$ Super-Bargmann algebra

$$\begin{aligned} [P_j, G_k] &= i\delta_{jk}M, & [H, G_j] &= iP_j, \\ [P_j, J] &= -i\epsilon_{jk}P_k, & [G_j, J] &= -i\epsilon_{jk}G_k, \end{aligned} \quad j, k = 1, 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} [Q_1, J] &= \frac{1}{2}Q_1, & \{Q_1, Q_1^\dagger\} &= \sqrt{2}H, \\ [Q_2, J] &= -\frac{1}{2}Q_2, & [Q_2, G_1 - iG_2] &= -iQ_1, & \{Q_2, Q_2^\dagger\} &= \sqrt{2}M, \\ \{Q_1, Q_2^\dagger\} &= -(P_1 - iP_2), & \{Q_2, Q_1^\dagger\} &= -(P_1 + iP_2) \end{aligned}$$

$\mathcal{N} = 2$ Super-Schroedinger obtained by null reduction of the relativistic superconformal algebra $SU(2, 2|1)$.

Additional generators: D = dilatations

K = special conformal transformations

S, S^\dagger = superconformal transformations

Non-relativistic Superspace

$$(3+1) \mathcal{N} = 1 \text{ relativistic superspace} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad (2+1) \underline{\mathcal{N} = 2 \text{ NR superspace}}$$
$$(x^+, x^-, x^i, \theta^\alpha, \bar{\theta}^{\dot{\alpha}}) \quad \Longrightarrow \quad (t, x^i, \theta^1, \theta^2, \bar{\theta}^1, \bar{\theta}^2)$$
$$[t] = -2, [x^i] = -1, [\theta^1] = -1, [\theta^2] = 0$$

★ Reduction of a generic superfield

$$\Phi(x^M, \theta^\alpha, \bar{\theta}^{\dot{\alpha}}) = e^{imx^-} \tilde{\Phi}(t, x^i, \theta^1, \theta^2, \bar{\theta}^1, \bar{\theta}^2) \quad m \rightarrow M - \text{eigenvalue}$$

★ Covariant derivatives

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{D}_\alpha = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^\alpha} - \frac{i}{2} \bar{\theta}^{\dot{\beta}} \partial_{\alpha\dot{\beta}} \\ \bar{\mathcal{D}}_{\dot{\alpha}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}^{\dot{\alpha}}} - \frac{i}{2} \theta^\beta \partial_{\beta\dot{\alpha}} \end{cases} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \begin{cases} D_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^1} - \frac{i}{2} \bar{\theta}^2 (\partial_1 - i\partial_2) - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{\theta}^1 \partial_t \\ \bar{D}_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}^1} - \frac{i}{2} \theta^2 (\partial_1 + i\partial_2) - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \theta^1 \partial_t \\ D_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^2} - \frac{i}{2} \bar{\theta}^1 (\partial_1 + i\partial_2) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{\theta}^2 M \\ \bar{D}_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}^2} - \frac{i}{2} \theta^1 (\partial_1 - i\partial_2) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \theta^2 M \end{cases}$$

$$\{\mathcal{D}_\alpha, \bar{\mathcal{D}}_{\dot{\alpha}}\} = -i\partial_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \{D_\alpha, \bar{D}_\beta\} = -i\partial_{\alpha\beta} \quad [D_1] = 1 \quad [D_2] = 0$$

★ (Anti)chiral superfields $\bar{D}_\alpha \Sigma = 0, \quad D_\alpha \bar{\Sigma} = 0$

$$\Sigma(x_L, \theta^\alpha) = \varphi(x_L) + \theta^\alpha \psi_\alpha(x_L) - \theta^2 F(x_L)$$

$$\bar{\Sigma}(x_R, \bar{\theta}^\beta) = \bar{\varphi}(x_R) + \bar{\theta}_\gamma \bar{\psi}^\gamma(x_R) - \bar{\theta}^2 \bar{F}(x_R)$$

$$x_{L,R}^{\alpha\beta} = x^{\alpha\beta} \mp i \theta^\alpha \bar{\theta}^\beta$$

★ Berezin and spacetime integrations

$$\int d^4x d^4\theta \Psi = \int d^4x D^2 \bar{D}^2 \Psi \Big|_{\theta=\bar{\theta}=0} \quad (\Psi = e^{imx^-} \tilde{\Psi})$$

$$\longrightarrow \underbrace{\int d^3x D^2 \bar{D}^2 \tilde{\Psi} \Big|_{\theta=\bar{\theta}=0}}_{\downarrow} \times \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} dx^- e^{imx^-}$$

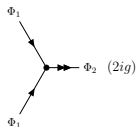
$$\equiv \int d^3x d^4\theta \tilde{\Psi} \quad \downarrow \quad \text{Non-vanishing result only if } M(\Psi) = 0$$

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Selection rules

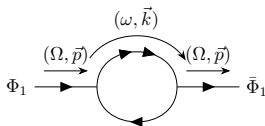
Selection rule I: Particle number conservation at each vertex



Number of incoming arrows = Number of outgoing arrows

Selection rule II: Arrows inside a Feynman diagram cannot form a closed loop

$$\langle \Phi \bar{\Phi} \rangle = \frac{i}{2m\omega - \vec{p}^2 + i\epsilon} \delta^{(4)}(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \quad a = 1, 2$$

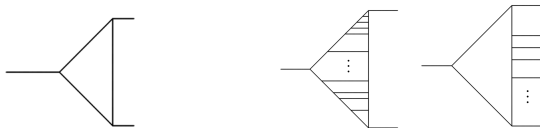


Example: NR Wess-Zumino model

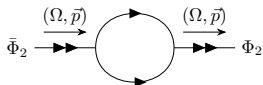
$$S_{NR} = \int d^3x d^4\theta (\bar{\Phi}_1 \Phi_1 + \bar{\Phi}_2 \Phi_2) + g \int d^3x d^2\theta \Phi_1^2 \Phi_2 + \text{h.c.}$$

$$M(\Phi_1) = m, M(\Phi_2) = -2m$$

- Selection rule 1 - Triangle diagrams are ruled out



- Selection rule 2 - Only divergent diagram



$$(\Phi_2)_{\text{bare}} = Z_2^{1/2} \Phi_2 \quad Z_2 = 1 - \frac{|g|^2}{4\pi m} \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

NR WZ model is one-loop exact

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where $E_i = \partial_t A_i - \partial_i A_t$ $f_{ij} = \partial_i A_j - \partial_j A_i$, $\mathcal{M} \equiv m - e\varphi$
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- The theory exhibits Schroedinger symmetry
- There are no propagating gauge dof

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- Conformal manifold of fixed points where the theory exhibits Schroedinger symmetry. This is peculiar of the theory in $d=2+1$

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- Gauge field components

$$A_t = \frac{1}{2} [\bar{D}_1, D_1] V \quad A_1 + iA_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\bar{D}_1, D_2] V \quad \varphi = D_2 \bar{D}_2 V$$

The superfield $D_2 \bar{D}_2 V \equiv D\bar{D}V$ is supergauge invariant and dimensionless

At quantum level

Feynman rules in Superspace

Propagators: $\bar{\Phi} \xrightarrow{(\omega, \vec{p})} \Phi = \frac{i}{2m\omega - \vec{p}^2 + i\epsilon} \delta^{(4)}(\theta' - \theta)$

$$V \xrightarrow{(\omega, \vec{p})} V = -\frac{i}{-\vec{p}^2 + i\epsilon} \delta^{(4)}(\theta' - \theta)$$

Vertices: $\bar{\Phi} V^n \Phi$

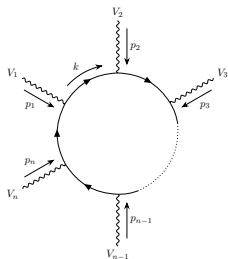
\Rightarrow Background field method, $V \rightarrow V_0 + V$

$$\nabla_\alpha = e^{-gV} \nabla_\alpha e^{gV}, \quad \nabla_\alpha = e^{-gV_0/2} D_\alpha e^{gV_0/2}, \quad \bar{\nabla}_\beta = \bar{\nabla}_\beta = e^{gV_0/2} \bar{D}_\beta e^{-gV_0/2}$$

$$\tilde{\Phi} = e^{gV_0/2} \Phi \quad \bar{\tilde{\Phi}} = \bar{\Phi} e^{gV_0/2}$$

Selection rules & non-renormalization theorems

- 1 Any 1PI Feynman diagram with negative superficial degree of divergence in the ω variable, vanishes identically.
- 2 All loop corrections to the effective action with purely vector external lines vanish, $\Gamma^{(n)}(V) = 0$.



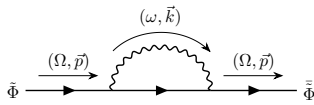
Therefore, V does not renormalize and for gauge invariance g does not renormalize

Non-renormalizability of nSGED

At one-loop the action S_{nSGED} acquires infinite **UV divergent contributions**

$$\Gamma^{(1L)} \rightarrow -\frac{ig^2}{16\pi m\epsilon} \int d^3x d^4\theta \bar{\Phi} e^{gV} \Phi \frac{1}{1 - \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}m} \bar{D}DV} \quad d = 2 - 2\epsilon$$

Technical explanation:



$$\frac{1}{\square_c} = \frac{1}{\square} + \frac{1}{\square} \sqrt{2}g(\bar{D}DV)\omega \frac{1}{\square} + \frac{1}{\square} \sqrt{2}g(\bar{D}DV)\omega \frac{1}{\square} \sqrt{2}g(\bar{D}DV)\omega \frac{1}{\square} + \dots$$

Infinitely marginal couplings turn on. The model is not renormalizable! :-)

A renormalizable SGED

Consider the more general **non-linear sigma model**

$$S_{SGED} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x d^2\theta W^\alpha W_\alpha + \int d^3x d^4\theta \bar{\Phi} e^{gV} \Phi \mathcal{F}(\bar{D}DV)$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\bar{D}DV) = \sum_n \frac{1}{n!} \mathcal{F}^{(n)} (\bar{D}DV)^n$$

We have infinite new n pt vertices with couplings $\mathcal{F}^{(n)}$

Non-trivial renormalization

$$\delta\Phi = \frac{g}{16\pi m} \left(g - 2\sqrt{2}m\mathcal{F}^{(1)} \right) \frac{1}{\varepsilon} + \dots \quad \delta\mathcal{F}^{(n)} = \frac{g^{n+2} n!}{16\pi m (\sqrt{2}m)^n} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} + \dots$$

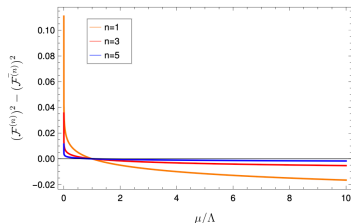
RG flows & conformal manifold

- One-loop beta functions for the couplings

$$\beta_{\mathcal{F}}^{(n)} = \frac{d\mathcal{F}^{(n)}}{d \log \mu} = -g^{n+2} \frac{n! n}{16\pi m (\sqrt{2}m)^n \mathcal{F}^{(n)}} \quad \beta_g = 0$$

Solutions

$$(\mathcal{F}^{(n)})^2(\mu) - (\bar{\mathcal{F}}^{(n)})^2 = -g^{n+2} \frac{n! n}{16\pi m (\sqrt{2}m)^n} \log\left(\frac{\mu}{\Lambda}\right)$$



- Anomalous dimensions

$$\gamma_{\Phi} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d \log(1 + \delta_{\Phi})}{d \log \mu} = \frac{g}{8\sqrt{2}\pi} \mathcal{F}^{(1)}$$

- IR interacting fixed point at $g = 0$

$$\gamma_{\Phi} = 0 \qquad \beta_{\mathcal{F}}^{(n)} = 0$$

At the fixed point the gauge-matter minimal coupling disappears, but the model contains an infinite number of gauge-matter couplings driven by $\bar{D}DV$

$$S_{SGED} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x d^2\theta W^\alpha W_\alpha + \int d^3x d^4\theta \bar{\Phi}\Phi \mathcal{F}(\bar{D}DV)$$

Matrix of anomalous dimensions, $I, J \in \{g, \mathcal{F}^{(1)}, \mathcal{F}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathcal{F}^{(n)}, \dots\}$

$$\partial_I \beta^J \rightarrow \frac{1}{16\pi m} \left(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}m} \frac{g^3}{(\mathcal{F}^{(1)})^2}, \dots, \frac{n!n}{(\sqrt{2}m)^n} \frac{g^{n+2}}{(\mathcal{F}^{(n)})^2}, \dots \right)$$

At $g = 0$, infinite number of exactly marginal couplings \Rightarrow **infinite dimensional superconformal manifold**

Plan of the talk

- 1 Construction of the non-relativistic (galilean) $\mathcal{N} = 2$ Superspace
- 2 Non-relativistic selection rules
- 3 Supersymmetric Galilean Electrodynamics (SGED): A renormalizable non-linear sigma model
- 4 Summary and future directions

Summary

We have studied quantum properties of NR $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SUSY models in $d=(2+1)$ formulated in a NR Superspace. In particular,

The SGED model which is consistent at quantum level is a **non-linear sigma model**

$$S_{SGED} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x d^2\theta W^\alpha W_\alpha + \int d^3x d^4\theta \bar{\Phi} e^{gV} \Phi \mathcal{F}(\bar{D}DV)$$

The topology of the conformal manifold is peculiar of one-loop approximation. At higher loops we expect a richer spectrum of fixed points and further constraints on \mathcal{F} for the existence of a conformal manifold.

Future directions

① What is the meaning of the coupling $\mathcal{F}(\bar{D}DV)$? Is there a string interpretation?

② Generalization to non-abelian theories

A. Bagchi, R. Basu, M. Islam, K.S. Kolekar, A. Mehra, JHEP04 (2022)

③ Coupling to supergravity. Models coupled to Newton-Cartan supergravity as null reduction of relativistic SUSY models coupled to Poincaré supergravity

E. Bergshoeff, A. Chatzistavrakidis, J. Lahnsteiner, L. Romano, J. Rosseel, JHEP07 ('20)

④ NR localization

⑤ Coupling to Chern-Simons terms and theories with more SUSY.

Example: NR ABJM

Y. Nakayama, M. Sakaguchi, K. Yoshida, JHEP04 (2009)

Y. Nakayama Lett. Math. Phys. 89 (2009)

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⑥ Role of these theories in NR AdS/CFT correspondence