

Superspace actions and EOM (continue...)

$$S_0 = \int d^4x d^4\theta \phi \bar{\phi} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{D}_i \phi = 0 \\ D_x \bar{\phi} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{EOM} \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D^2 \phi = 0 \\ \bar{D}^2 \bar{\phi} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

We can also construct "interactions"

$$\int d^4x d^2\theta \phi^n \quad \text{and} \quad \int d^4x d^2\bar{\theta} \bar{\phi}^n$$

or more generally

$$\int d^4x d^4\theta K(\phi, \bar{\phi}) \quad \text{and} \quad \int d^4x d^2\theta W(\phi), \quad \int d^4x d^2\bar{\theta} \bar{W}(\bar{\phi})$$

R-symmetry in superspace

$$[R, Q_\alpha] = Q_\alpha \quad [R, \bar{Q}_i] = -\bar{Q}_i$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q_\alpha \rightarrow e^{i\beta} Q_\alpha \\ \bar{Q}_i \rightarrow e^{-i\beta} \bar{Q}_i \end{array} \right.$$

$$L(x, \theta, \bar{\theta}) = e^{i(x^\mu P_\mu + \underbrace{\theta^\alpha Q_\alpha + \bar{\theta}_i \bar{Q}^i}_{R\text{-invariant extension if}})}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \theta \rightarrow e^{-i\beta} \theta \\ \bar{\theta} \rightarrow e^{i\beta} \bar{\theta} \end{array} \right.$$

Let's take a chiral superfield as an example

$$\phi(x_L, \theta) \xrightarrow{\text{R-symm.}} \phi'(x_L, \theta) = e^{i\omega\beta} \phi(x_L, e^{-i\beta}\theta)$$

Im components:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi'(x_L, \theta) &= e^{i\omega\beta} \left[ \varphi(x_L) + e^{-i\beta} \theta^\alpha \psi_\alpha(x) + e^{-2i\beta} \theta^2 F \right] \\ &= \underbrace{e^{i\omega\beta} \varphi(x_L)}_{\pi(\varphi) = \omega} + \underbrace{e^{i(\omega-1)\beta} \theta^\alpha \psi_\alpha}_{\pi(\psi_\alpha) = (\omega-1)} + \underbrace{e^{i(\omega-2)\beta} \theta^2 F}_{\pi(F) = (\omega-2)} \end{aligned}$$

### R-invariance of actions

1) kinetic term  $\int d^4x d^2\theta \phi \bar{\phi}$  manifestly invariant

2) For chiral integrals, we require

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^2\theta \phi'^m &= \int d^2\theta e^{im\omega\beta} \phi(x_L, e^{-i\beta}\theta) & \theta' &= e^{-i\beta}\theta \\ &= \int d^2\theta' e^{-2i\beta} e^{im\omega\beta} \phi(x_L, \theta') & d\theta' &= e^{i\beta} d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int d^2\theta \phi(x_L, \theta) \quad \text{true when } \underbrace{(m\omega - 2) = 0}_{\Downarrow} \\ \pi(\omega) = 2$$

### N-extended superspace

$Q_\alpha^a$   $a=1, \dots, N$   $so(N)$  fund. repr.

$$\{Q_\alpha^a, \bar{Q}_{b\dot{\alpha}}\} = 2\delta_b^a P_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}$$

Superspace repr.

$$(x, \theta, \bar{\theta}^a) = e^{i(x^\mu P_\mu + \theta_\alpha^a Q_\alpha^a + \bar{\theta}_{\dot{\alpha}}^a \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}}^a)}$$

extended superspace with coords  $(x^{a\dot{a}}, \theta_a^\alpha, \bar{\theta}^{\alpha\dot{a}})$   
 $a=1, \dots, N$

In the most general case where

$$\{Q_a^\alpha, Q_b^\beta\} = \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} \underline{z^{ab}}$$

central charges

$$Q_a^\alpha \sim \partial_a^\alpha + i\theta^{\alpha\dot{a}} \partial_{a\dot{a}} + \text{const } \Theta_{ba} z^{ba}$$

### WESS-ZUMINO MODEL

$$S_{\text{tot}} = S_0 + S_{\text{int}} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int d^4x d^4\theta \phi \bar{\phi} + \int d^4x d^2\theta \left( \frac{m}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{3!} \phi^3 \right) + \int d^4x d^2\bar{\theta} \left( \frac{m}{2} \bar{\phi}^2 + \frac{\lambda}{3!} \bar{\phi}^3 \right)$$

Going to components:

$$\int d^4x d^2\theta \left( \frac{m}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{3!} \phi^3 \right) = \int d^4x D^2 \left( \frac{m}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{3!} \phi^3 \right) \Big|$$

$$= \int d^4x \left[ \frac{m}{2} \cancel{\phi} D^2 \phi + \frac{m}{2} D^2 \phi D^2 \phi + \frac{\lambda}{2} \phi^2 D^2 \phi + \lambda D^2 \phi D^2 \phi \cdot \phi \right] \Big|$$

$D^2 \phi \Big| = -\psi_2$   
 $D^2 \bar{\phi} \Big| = -F$

$$= \int d^4x \left[ \underbrace{-m\phi F}_{\sim} + \frac{m}{2} \psi^\alpha \psi_\alpha - \frac{\lambda}{2} \underbrace{\phi^2 F}_{\sim} + \lambda \psi^\alpha \psi_\alpha \phi \right]$$

$$S_0 \rightarrow \int d^4x \left[ -\phi \square \phi + \frac{i}{2} \psi^\alpha \partial_{a\dot{a}} \bar{\psi}^{\dot{a}} + \frac{1}{4} FF \right]$$

Auxiliary EOM:  $F = 4m\bar{\varphi} + 2\lambda\bar{\varphi}^2$

$$\bar{F} = 4m\varphi + 2\lambda\varphi^2$$

Substitute back into the action  $\Rightarrow$

$$S = \int d^4x \left[ -\varphi (\square + (2m)^2) \bar{\varphi} + \frac{1}{2} \psi^\alpha i \partial_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \bar{\psi}^{\dot{\alpha}} + \frac{m}{2} \psi^\alpha \psi_\alpha + \frac{m}{2} \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{\psi}^{\dot{\alpha}} - 2m\lambda (\varphi \bar{\varphi}^2 + \bar{\varphi} \varphi^2) - \lambda \varphi^2 \bar{\varphi}^2 + \lambda \varphi \psi^\alpha \psi_\alpha + \lambda \bar{\varphi} \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{\psi}^{\dot{\alpha}} \right]$$

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$$\delta\psi_\alpha \sim \dots - \varepsilon_\alpha F = \dots - \varepsilon_\alpha (4m\bar{\varphi} + \underline{\underline{2\lambda\bar{\varphi}^2}})$$

no sy terms.

not linear any longer

EOM:

$$\begin{cases} [\square + (2m)^2] \varphi = 0 \\ i \partial_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \psi^\alpha - 2m \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}} = 0 \\ i \partial_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \bar{\psi}^{\dot{\alpha}} + 2m \psi_\alpha = 0 \end{cases}$$

### Renormalisation properties of WZ model

We have a non-renormalisation theorem for the superpotential

$$W(\phi) = \frac{m}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{3!} \phi^3$$

Only possible UV divergent contributions will have the form

$$\int d^4x d^4\theta \phi \bar{\phi} (\dots)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_R = Z_\phi^{1/2} \phi \quad Z_\phi \rightarrow \text{will only contain logarithmic divergent terms} \\ (\log \frac{\Lambda}{m} \dots)$$

$$\int d^2\theta \frac{m}{2} \phi^2 \Rightarrow \int d^2\theta m_R \phi_R^2 \quad m_R \equiv Z_\phi^{-1} m$$

$$\int d^2\theta \frac{\lambda}{3!} \phi^3 \Rightarrow \int d^2\theta \frac{\lambda_R}{3!} \phi_R^3 \quad \lambda_R = Z_\phi^{-3/2} \lambda$$

only logarithmically divergent terms

$$S = \int d^4\theta \phi \bar{\phi} + \frac{m}{2} \int d^2\theta \phi \frac{D^2}{\square} \phi + \frac{\lambda}{3!} \int d^2\theta \phi^2 \frac{D^2}{\square} \phi$$

$$\int d^2\theta \bar{D}^2 (\phi \frac{D^2}{\square} \phi) =$$

$$\int d^2\theta \phi \left\{ \frac{\bar{D}^2 D^2}{\square} \right\} \phi = \int d^2\theta \phi \frac{\square}{\square} \phi = \int d^2\theta \phi^2$$

$$\text{General identity } \{\bar{D}^2, D^2\} = \square + \bar{D}^{\dot{\alpha}} D^{\dot{\alpha}} \bar{D}_{\dot{\alpha}}$$

$$\text{kinetic action} = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x d^4\theta (\phi \bar{\phi}) \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} m \frac{D^2}{\square} & 1 \\ 1 & m \frac{\bar{D}^2}{\square} \end{pmatrix}}_0 \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \bar{\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

Propagators read from  $O^{-1}$

Super Feynman rules

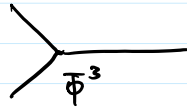
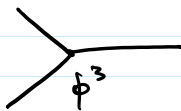
1) Superfield propagators (momentum space)

$$\langle \phi(\theta) \bar{\phi}(\theta') \rangle = \frac{1}{p^2 + m^2} \delta^{(4)}(\theta - \theta')$$

$$\langle \phi(\theta) \phi(\theta') \rangle = \frac{m}{p^2(p^2 + m^2)} \bar{D}^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta - \theta')$$

$$\langle \bar{\phi}(\theta) \bar{\phi}(\theta') \rangle = \frac{m}{p^2(p^2 + m^2)} D^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta - \theta')$$

2) Vertices : cubic



$$\downarrow \int d^2\theta$$

$$\downarrow \int d^2\bar{\theta}$$

From general rules for differentiation  $\frac{\delta}{\delta J}$ ,  $\frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{J}}$

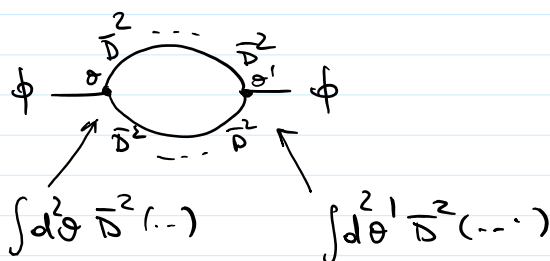
with  $\left. \begin{array}{l} J \text{ chiral} \\ \bar{J} \text{ antichiral} \end{array} \right\}$

we produce a  $\bar{D}^2$  factor on each internal line coming out from

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Ex :



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$$\bar{D}^2 \text{ arc} = 2$$

$$\int d\theta \dots$$

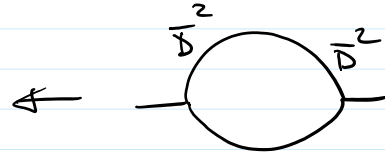
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$$\int d^4\theta$$

$$\int d\theta \dots$$

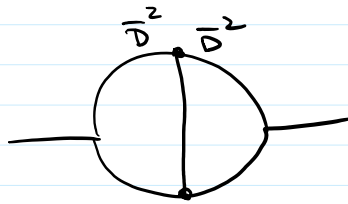
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$$\int d^4\theta'$$

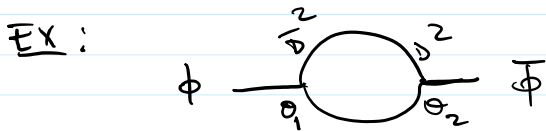


Final rules:

- 1) Draw any kind of supergraph at a given loop order
- 2) Assign to each internal line the corresponding propagator
- 3) Assign  $(n-1) - D^2$  or  $\bar{D}^2$  factors to each vertex where  $n = n^\circ$  of internal lines coming out from the vertex



- 4) Perform D-algebra in order to avoid ending with powers of the same  $\delta^{(4)}(\theta_i - \theta_j)$

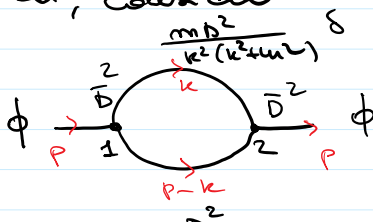


$$\rightarrow \int d^4\theta_1 d^4\theta_2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \underbrace{\bar{D}_1^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_1 - \theta_2) D_2^2}_{"1"} (\dots)$$

$$= \int d^4\theta_1 (\dots) \Big|_{\theta_2 = \theta_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int d^4\theta \phi \bar{\phi} (\dots)$$

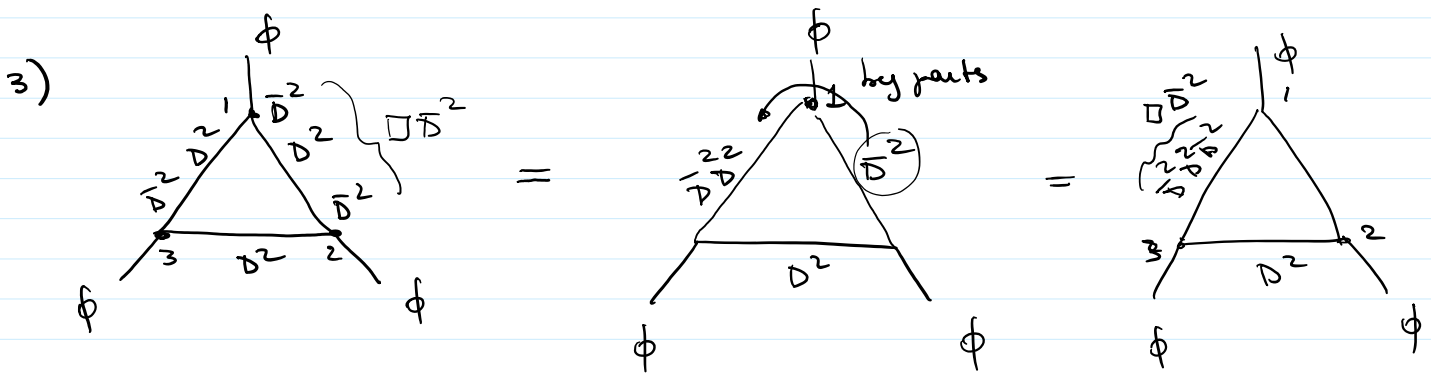
Instead, consider



$$\frac{m D^2}{(p-k)^2 [(p-k)^2 + m^2]} \delta$$

$$\int d^4 \theta_1 d^4 \theta_2 \underbrace{\bar{D}^2 \bar{D}^2}_{-k^2 \bar{D}^2} \delta^{(4)}(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \cdot D^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

$$\rightarrow \int d^4 \theta_1 d^4 \theta_2 \bar{D}^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_1 - \theta_2) D^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \neq 0 \rightarrow \int d^4 \theta \phi^2 = 0$$



$$\int d^4 \theta_1 d^4 \theta_2 d^4 \theta_3 \bar{D}^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_1 - \theta_3) D^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_2 - \theta_3) \delta^{(4)}(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

$$= \int d^4 \theta_2 d^4 \theta_3 \bar{D}^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_2 - \theta_3) D^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_2 - \theta_3)$$

$$= \int d^4 \theta_2 d^4 \theta_3 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_2 - \theta_3) \bar{D}^2 D^2 \delta^{(4)}(\theta_2 - \theta_3) = 1$$

$$= \int d^4 \theta_2 (\dots) \phi^3 = 0$$

This is the beginning of the perturbative proof of the non-renormalization theorem.

But what happens non-perturbatively?

We cannot exclude a priori that for instance terms of this form



$$\int d^4\theta \phi^2 \frac{D^2}{\square} \phi = \int d^2\theta \phi^3$$

get produced.

Seiberg's argument to prove non-renorm theorem non-perturbatively -

$$W(\phi) = \frac{m}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{3!} \phi^3$$

1) We promote  $m, \lambda$  to be background chiral superfields -

$W$  depends only on  $m, \lambda \Rightarrow$  the effective action will only depend on  $m, \lambda$  (not on  $\bar{m}, \bar{\lambda}$ )

2) We expect smooth dependence of the effective superpotential on  $m, \lambda$

3)  $U(1)$  symmetries of  $W$

	$U(1)$	$U(1)_R$
$\phi$	1	1
$m$	-2	0
$\lambda$	-3	-1

If these symmetries are not broken by quantum corrections, then

$$W_{\text{eff}} = m\phi^2 f\left(\frac{\lambda\phi}{m}\right)$$

$$= m\phi \sum_n a_n \left(\frac{\lambda\phi}{m}\right)^n$$

$$= \sum_n a_n \lambda^n m^{1-n} \phi^{n+2}$$

Avoiding negative powers in  $m, \lambda \Rightarrow m \geq 0 \quad m \leq 1$

$\Rightarrow$  only  $m=0, 1$

$$W_{\text{eff}} = \underbrace{g_m m}_{\frac{m}{2}} \phi^2 + \underbrace{g_\lambda \lambda}_{\frac{\lambda}{3!}} \phi^3$$

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