

IPM WORKSHOP
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SUPERSYMMETRIC CORRECTIONS IN 11D SUPERGRAVITY

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■ Motivation:

String theory



$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{g=0}^{\infty} g_s^{2g-2} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{g} \mathcal{L}_g$$



$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \mathcal{L}_{\text{sugra}} + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\alpha')^i \mathcal{L}_i$$

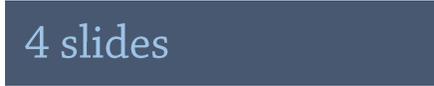
M-theory

11D Supergravity
+ high energy corrective terms:

$$\mathcal{L}_{11\text{D sugra}} + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} l^i \mathcal{L}_i$$



11D Supergravity & Superspace



4 slides



Action Principle & Supersymmetric Corrections



8 slides



Computational Tools (Mathematica Package)



2 slides



11D Supergravity

$$\begin{aligned}
 \blacksquare \quad \mathcal{S} = \int dx \left[\right. & -\frac{\sqrt{g}}{4K^2} R(\omega) \\
 & -\frac{i\sqrt{g}}{2} \psi_m \Gamma^{mnr} D_n(\omega) \psi_r \\
 & -\frac{\sqrt{g}}{48} G_{mnr s} G^{mnr s} \\
 & +\frac{\sqrt{g}K}{192} (\bar{\psi}_m \Gamma^{mnpqrs} \psi_n + 12\bar{\psi}^p \Gamma^{qr} \psi^s) G_{pqrs} \\
 & \left. +\frac{2K}{12^4} \epsilon^{p_1 \dots p_4 q_1 \dots q_4 mnr} G_{p_1 \dots p_4} G_{q_1 \dots q_4} C_{mnr} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

- $$\mathcal{S} = \int dx \left[\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{\sqrt{g}}{4K^2} R(\omega) \longrightarrow \text{Scalar curvature } R \\
& -\frac{i\sqrt{g}}{2} \psi_m \Gamma^{mnr} D_n(\omega) \psi_r \longrightarrow \text{Gravitinos } \psi_m \\
& -\frac{\sqrt{g}}{48} G_{mnr s} G^{mnr s} \longrightarrow \text{Field strength : } G_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = \partial_{[\mu} C_{\nu\rho\sigma]} \\
& +\frac{\sqrt{g}K}{192} (\bar{\psi}_m \Gamma^{mnpqrs} \psi_n + 12\bar{\psi}^p \Gamma^{qr} \psi^s) G_{pqrs} \longrightarrow \text{Counter term} \\
& +\frac{2K}{12^4} \epsilon^{p_1 \dots p_4 q_1 \dots q_4 mnr} G_{p_1 \dots p_4} G_{q_1 \dots q_4} C_{mnr} \longrightarrow \text{Chern-Simons}
\end{aligned} \right]$$

■ Supersymmetric transformations:

$$\delta_Q C_{mnr} = \frac{3}{2} \epsilon \Gamma_{[mn} \psi_r]$$

$$\delta_Q \psi_m = \frac{1}{K} D_m \epsilon + \frac{i}{144} (\Gamma^{abcd}{}_m - 8 \Gamma^{bcd} \delta_m^a) \epsilon G_{abcd}$$

$$\delta_Q e_m^a = -i K \bar{\epsilon} \Gamma^a \psi_m$$

■ Closure of the 11D sugra algebra:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} [\delta_{Q1}, \delta_{Q2}] C_{mnr} &= (\delta_\xi + \delta_Q + \delta_\zeta) C_{mnr} \\ [\delta_{Q1}, \delta_{Q2}] \psi_m &= (\delta_\xi + \delta_Q + \delta_\Lambda + \text{e.o.m}) \psi_m \end{aligned} \right\} \text{On-shell closure}$$

- From space to superspace:

$$(x^m) \quad m = 1 \dots 11 \quad \longrightarrow \quad z^M = \begin{pmatrix} (x^m) & m = 1 \dots 11 \\ (\theta^\mu) & \mu = 1 \dots 32 \end{pmatrix}$$

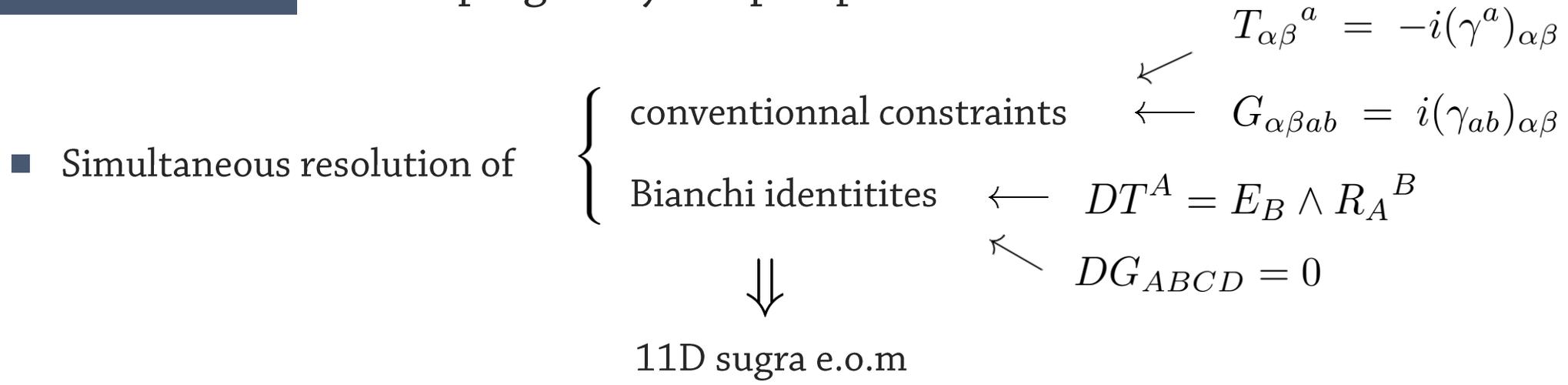
- Superspace fields:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} e^a \longrightarrow E^A \\ T_{ab}{}^c \longrightarrow T_{AB}{}^C \\ G_{abcd} \longrightarrow G_{ABCD} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{New Bianchi identities}$$

- $E^A \wedge E^B H_{AB} = E^a \wedge E^b H_{ab} + E^a \wedge E^\alpha H_{\alpha b} + E^\beta \wedge E^\alpha H_{\alpha\beta}$



$$H_{AB}(x, \theta) = H_{AB}(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{32} \frac{1}{i!} \theta^{\mu_1} \dots \theta^{\mu_i} (H_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_i})_{AB}$$



■ $S = \int (R \star 1 - \frac{1}{2} G_4 \wedge \star G_4 - \frac{1}{6} C_3 \wedge G_4 \wedge G_4) \Big|_{\theta=0}$ $\left(\begin{array}{l} E_m^\alpha = \psi_m^\alpha \\ T_{mn}{}^\alpha = D_m \psi_n^\alpha - D_n \psi_m^\alpha \end{array} \right)$

■ From the flat superspace basis to the non-superspace coordinate basis:

$$L_{m_1 \dots m_D} = e_{m_D}{}^{a_D} \dots e_{m_1}{}^{a_1} L_{a_1 \dots a_D} + D e_{m_D}{}^{a_D} \dots e_{m_2}{}^{a_2} \psi_{m_1}{}^{\alpha_1} L_{\alpha_1 a_2 \dots a_D} + \dots + \psi_{m_D}{}^{\alpha_D} \dots \psi_{m_1}{}^{\alpha_1} L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_D}$$



Action Principle & Supersymmetric Corrections

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{S}_{\text{Chern-Simons}} = \int dx^{11} \left[& -\frac{\sqrt{g}}{4K^2} R(\omega) \right. \\
& - \frac{i\sqrt{g}}{2} \psi_m \Gamma^{mnr} D_n(\omega) \psi_r \\
& - \frac{\sqrt{g}}{48} G_{mnr s} G^{mnr s} \\
& + \frac{\sqrt{g}K}{192} (\bar{\psi}_m \Gamma^{mnpqrs} \psi_n + 12\bar{\psi}^p \Gamma^{qr} \psi^s) G_{pqrs} \\
& \left. + \frac{2K}{12^4} \epsilon^{p_1 \dots p_4 q_1 \dots q_4 mnr} G_{p_1 \dots p_4} G_{q_1 \dots q_4} C_{mnr} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{Chern-Simons}} = \int dx^{11} \left[\frac{2K}{12^4} \epsilon^{p_1 \dots p_4 q_1 \dots q_4 mnr} G_{p_1 \dots p_4} G_{q_1 \dots q_4} C_{mnr} \right] \sim \int \underbrace{C_3 \wedge G_4 \wedge G_4}_{Z_{11} \text{ not gauge-invariant}} \quad (C \rightarrow C + d\Lambda)$$

globally defined

not globally defined

- Let's define K_{11} such that $d K_{11} = d Z_{11}$
- ■ Then $Z_{11} - K_{11}$ is a closed superform $d(Z_{11} - K_{11}) = 0$
- ■ ■ Then the action $S = \int (Z_{11} - K_{11})|_{\theta=0}$ is superinvariant

- Diffeomorphism in superspace: $\delta_\xi \phi = \mathcal{L}_\xi \phi$ with $\xi_A = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_a \\ \xi_\alpha \end{pmatrix}$
- SuperLie derivative of $Z_{11} - K_{11}$: $\mathcal{L}_\xi(Z_{11} - K_{11}) = (d i_\xi - i_\xi d)(Z_{11} - K_{11})$
 $= d i_\xi(Z_{11} - K_{11})$



$$\begin{aligned} \delta_\xi S &= \int \mathcal{L}_\xi(Z_{11} - K_{11})| \\ &= \int d(\dots) = 0 \end{aligned}$$



First Test - Original action

- $S_{\text{Chern-Simons}} = Z_{11} = C_3 \wedge G_4 \wedge G_4$

- Looking for: $dK_{11} = G_4 \wedge G_4 \wedge G_4$ (superspace equation)



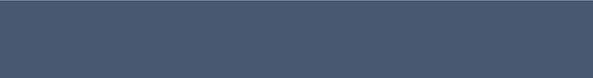
- $D_{[A_1} K_{A_2 \dots A_{12})} + \frac{11}{2} T_{[A_1 A_2 |}^F K_{F | A_3 \dots A_{12})} = -\frac{11!}{6(4!)^3} G_{[A_1 \dots A_4} G_{A_5 \dots A_8} G_{A_9 \dots A_{12})}$

$$A_1 \dots A_{11} = \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{11} \rightarrow K_{a_1 \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{10}}$$

$$A_1 \dots A_{11} = \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{10} a_1 \rightarrow K_{a_1 a_2 \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_9}$$

etc.

- After 13 equations: $S = \int (R \star 1 - \frac{1}{2} G_4 \wedge \star G_4 - \frac{1}{6} C_3 \wedge G_4 \wedge G_4) |_{\theta=0}$



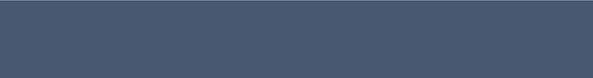
First Superinvariant

- Modified Chern-Simons term: $Z_{11} = l^3 C_3 \wedge G_4 \wedge \text{tr} R^2$

- Looking for: $dK_{11} = dZ_{11} = G_4 \wedge G_4 \wedge R_a{}^b \wedge R_b{}^a$

$$\longrightarrow D_{[A_1} K_{A_2 \dots A_{12})} + \frac{11}{2} T_{[A_1 A_2]{}^F} K_{F|A_3 \dots A_{12})} = \frac{11!}{4(4!)^2} R_{[A_1 A_2|c_1 c_2} R_{|A_3 A_4]{}^{c_2 c_1}} G_{|A_5 \dots A_8} G_{A_9 \dots A_{12})}$$

- After 13 equations: $\Delta_1 S = l^3 \int (C_3 \wedge G_4 \wedge \text{tr} R^2 + 2 G_4 \wedge \star G_4 \wedge \text{tr} R^2) \Big|_{\theta=0}$



Second Superinvariant

- Modified Chern-Simons term: $Z_{11} = l^6 C_3 \wedge G_4 \wedge \overbrace{\left(\text{tr} R^4 - \frac{1}{4} (\text{tr} R^2)^2 \right)}^{X^{(8)}}$
- Looking for: $dK_{11} = dZ_{11} = G_4 \wedge G_4 \wedge X^{(8)}$
- Main obstacle: $X_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_8}^{(8)} \propto \gamma_{(\alpha_1 \alpha_2 |}^f G_{f | \alpha_3 \dots \alpha_8)} \longrightarrow$ Probably the hardest part
 The rest should follow « easily »
 (τ -exact)

$$\blacksquare X_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_8}^{(8)} = \gamma_{(\alpha_1 \alpha_2 |}^f G_{f | \alpha_3 \dots \alpha_8)} \quad ?$$



12 terms $\sim \gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma GGGG$
indices...

with symmetrized fermionic

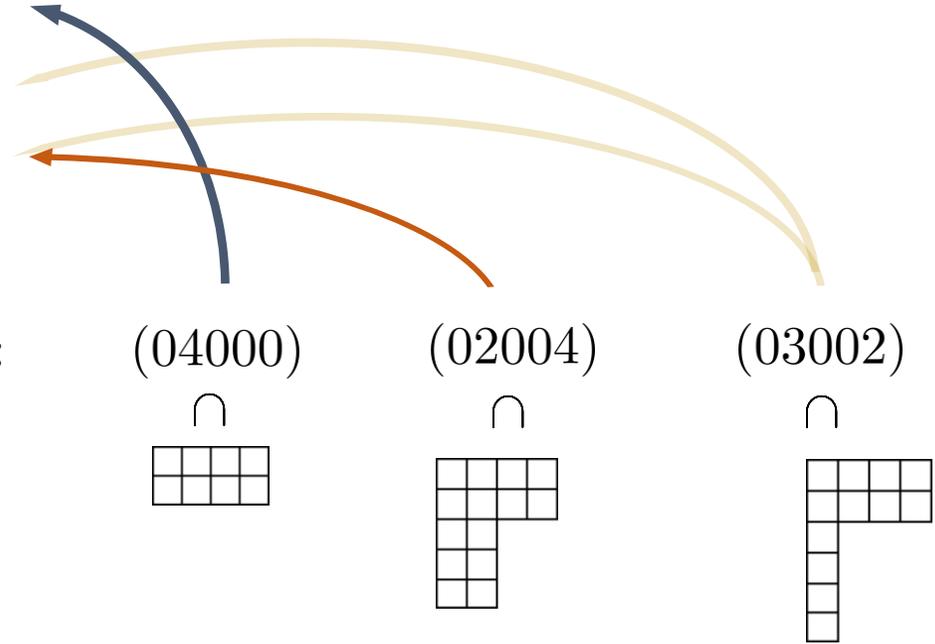
$$\left(\gamma^{u_0 \dots u_3}_{y_0 y_1} \right) \left(\gamma^{v_0 \dots v_3}_{z_0} \right) \left(\gamma^{w_0 \dots w_3}_{z_1} \right) \left(\gamma^{x_0 \dots x_3}_{z_0 z_1} \right) G_{u_0 \dots u_3} G_{v_0 \dots v_3} G_{w_0 \dots w_3} G_{x_0 \dots x_3} + \dots$$

$$\blacksquare \text{ Huge fierzing: } X_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_8}^{(8)} = \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(2)} (GGGG + \dots) \quad (1)$$

$$+ \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(5)} (GGGG + \dots) \quad (2)$$

$$+ \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(5)} \gamma^{(5)} (GGGG + \dots) \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_8}^{(8)} &= \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(2)} \gamma^{(2)} (GGGG + \dots) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$



- $(00001)^{\otimes_s 8}$ contains 48 irreps, only 3 non τ -exact:

- Those 3 representations must vanish:

$\prod (1) = 0$

$\prod (3) = 0$

$\prod ((2) + (3)) \stackrel{?}{=} 0$

Miraculous cancellation depending on the factor 1/4:

$$X^{(8)} = \text{tr} R^4 - \frac{1}{4} (\text{tr} R^2)^2$$

Computational Tools: Mathematica Package Superspace GAMMA

- Basic Young diagrams manipulations:

IrrYT[{1, 1, 1}, {2, 1}, 1]

- Tensorial representation of Young diagrams:

$$T_{a_1 a_2; b_1 b_2}^{\boxplus} \longrightarrow \frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{1}{16} (T_{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4} - T_{a_1, a_2, a_4, a_3}) + \frac{1}{16} (-T_{a_1, a_3, a_4, a_2} + T_{a_1, a_4, a_3, a_2}) + \frac{1}{16} (-T_{a_2, a_1, a_3, a_4} + \text{etc.} \right)$$

- Highly non-trivial Fierzing: $(00001)^{\otimes S^6} = 1(00012) \oplus \dots$

$$(\gamma^{a_1 \dots a_4 e_1})_{(\alpha_1 \alpha_2} (\gamma^{[b_1 \dots b_3 | e_1 e_2 e_3]})_{\alpha_3 \alpha_4} (\gamma^{| b_4 \dots b_6] e_2 e_3})_{\alpha_5 \alpha_6}) \propto 15 (\gamma^{[a_1 a_2 |} (\alpha_1 \alpha_2} (\gamma^{| a_3 a_4]})_{\alpha_3 \alpha_4} (\gamma^{b_1 \dots b_6})_{\alpha_5 \alpha_6})$$

- High number of anti-symmetrized indices: $D_{[A_1} K_{A_2 \dots A_{12})} + \frac{11}{2} T_{[A_1 A_2 |}^F K_{F | A_3 \dots A_{12})} = \dots$

- Superspace fields (bosonic & fermionic indices): $D_{(\alpha_1} K_{\alpha_2 \dots \alpha_5) [a_1 \dots a_6]} + \dots$

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