

Supersymmetry Highlights

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Outline

- SHO Example
- Why SUSY?
- SUSY Fields
- Superspace Lagrangians
- SUSY QED
- MSSM

Warm Up

A Hint Of SUSY...

- Remember Quantum Simple Harmonic Oscillator...
- Canonical Coordinates w/Commutation Relation

$$[x, p] = i$$

- Input the standard Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{1}{2}p^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

Creation/Annihilation

Ops

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \frac{1}{2}p^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(p^2 + x^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(x - ip)(x + ip) - \frac{i}{2}[x, p] \\ &= a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Fermions?

- Anticommutator instead of commutator

$$\{x, p\} = i$$

- No terms like x^2 or p^2 allowed in H

- Try... $H = ixp$

Fermion Creation & Annihilation Ops

$$\begin{aligned} H &= ixp \\ &= \frac{i}{2}(xp - px) + \frac{i}{2}\{x, p\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(x - ip)(x + ip) + \frac{i}{2}\{x, p\} \\ &= b^\dagger b - \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

SUSY Transformations

- Boson (x,p) Fermion (ψ,π) SHO's

$$H = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}p^2 + i\psi\pi = a^\dagger a + b^\dagger b$$

- Construct operators which commute with H

$$Q = iab^\dagger, \quad Q^\dagger = -iba^\dagger$$

- Bosonic Modes \rightarrow Fermionic Modes, And
Visa Versa [1]
- Generators of SUSY Transformations

SUSY Transformations

$$Q = iab^\dagger, \quad Q^\dagger = -iba^\dagger$$

$$N_F = \{0, 1\}$$

$$Q |N_B, N_F\rangle = \sqrt{(N_B)(N_F + 1)} |N_B - 1, N_F + 1\rangle$$

$$Q^\dagger |N_B, N_F\rangle = \sqrt{(N_B + 1)(N_F)} |N_B + 1, N_F - 1\rangle$$

$$(QQ^\dagger + Q^\dagger Q) |N_B, N_F\rangle = (N_B + N_F) |N_B, N_F\rangle$$

↑
Use $N_F = \{0, 1\}$

More On Q

- From Previous Slide

$$H = \{Q, Q^\dagger\}$$

- The Vacuum Satisfies

$$Q|0\rangle = Q^\dagger|0\rangle = 0$$

- Therefore The Vacuum Energy Is

$$\langle 0|H|0\rangle = \langle 0|\{Q, Q^\dagger\}|0\rangle = 0$$

Principle Of SUSY

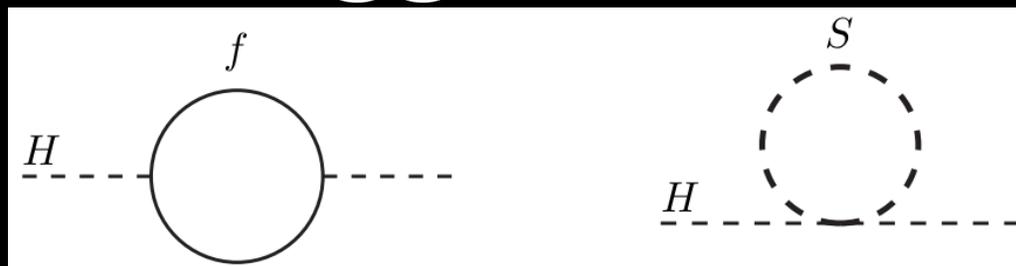
- Equal Number Bosonic And Fermionic Degrees Of Freedom (DoFs)
- Find Conserved Charges Which Generate SUSY Transformations
- Expect Nice Cancellations
 - e.g Vacuum Energy In SHO Example

Why SUSY?

Why?

- Fermion Loops Come With Extra Minus Signs
 - This Can Cause Important Cancellations
 - Similar To Ghosts In Non-Abelian Gauge Theory

Quintessential Example: Higgs Mass



- Fermion Loops \Rightarrow Quadratic Divergences
- New Scalar \rightarrow Same Divergence With The Opposite Sign!
- Dirac fermion (4 DoFs) \Rightarrow Two Complex Scalars

Explicit Loop Calculation

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\lambda H \bar{f} f$$

$$-(-i\lambda)^2 \text{tr} \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i(\not{k} + m)}{k^2 - m^2} \frac{i(\not{k} + \not{p} + m)}{(k + p)^2 - m^2} \rightarrow -4\lambda^2 \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k^2}$$

**2 Complex
Scalars**

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\lambda^2 H^2 s^\dagger s$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$2 \times (-2i\lambda^2) \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{k^2 - m^2} \rightarrow +4\lambda^2 \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k^2}$$

SUSY Fields

Chiral Superfield

- Complex Scalar (sfermion)
- One Weyl Fermion (fermion)
 - Bosonic DoF = 2
 - Fermionic DoF = 2

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial^\mu \phi^\dagger \partial_\mu \phi + \chi^\dagger i \bar{\sigma}^\mu \partial_\mu \chi$$

$$\delta \phi = \epsilon \chi \quad \delta \phi^\dagger = \epsilon^\dagger \chi^\dagger$$

$$\delta \chi_\alpha = -i(\sigma^\mu \epsilon^\dagger)_\alpha \partial_\mu \phi \quad \delta \chi_{\dot{\alpha}}^\dagger = i(\epsilon \sigma^\mu)_{\dot{\alpha}} \partial_\mu \phi^\dagger$$

$$\delta \mathcal{L} = \text{total divergence}$$

Vector Superfields

- Gauge Invariant Real Vector (Gauge Boson)
- Weyl Fermion (Gaugino)
 - Bosonic DoF = 2
 - Fermionic DoF = 2

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + i\lambda^\dagger\bar{\sigma}^\mu\partial_\mu\lambda$$

$$\delta A^\mu = \epsilon\sigma^\mu\lambda^\dagger - \epsilon^\dagger\bar{\sigma}^\mu\lambda$$

$$\delta\lambda_\alpha = \frac{i}{2}(\sigma^\mu\bar{\sigma}^\nu\epsilon)_\alpha F_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\delta\lambda^\dagger_{\dot{\alpha}} = \frac{i}{2}(\epsilon^\dagger\bar{\sigma}^\mu\sigma^\nu)_{\dot{\alpha}} F_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = \text{total divergence}$$

Superspace

Superspace

- SUSY Transformations Can Be Unified
- Define Superspace Coordinates
 - $(x, \theta^a, \theta_{\dot{a}}^\dagger); a=1,2$
- The θ coordinates are Grassmann Numbers

Superfields

- Superfields Are Taylor Expansions In θ, θ^\dagger
- General Superfield:

$$S(x, \theta, \theta^\dagger) = a + \theta\xi + \theta^\dagger\chi^\dagger + \theta\theta b + \theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger c \\ + \theta^\dagger\bar{\sigma}^\mu\theta v_\mu + \theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger\theta\eta + \theta\theta\theta^\dagger\zeta^\dagger + \theta\theta\theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger d$$

Supertransformations

- Combine All Supertransformations [2]

$$\delta_\epsilon S = -i(\epsilon Q + \epsilon^\dagger Q^\dagger) S$$

$$= \left(\epsilon^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^\alpha} + \epsilon^\dagger_{\dot{\alpha}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^\dagger_{\dot{\alpha}}} + i[\epsilon \sigma^\mu \theta^\dagger + \epsilon^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \theta] \partial_\mu \right) S$$

$$= S(x^\mu + i\epsilon \sigma^\mu \theta^\dagger + i\epsilon^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \theta, \theta + \epsilon, \theta^\dagger + \epsilon^\dagger) - S(x^\mu \theta, \theta^\dagger)$$

- Supertransformations -> Translation In Superspace

Vacuum Energy

- Generically, We Can Write The Hamiltonian As [2]

$$\langle \Omega | H | \Omega \rangle \propto \langle \Omega | \{ Q_\alpha, Q_\beta^\dagger \} | \Omega \rangle$$

- In Unbroken SUSY, The Vacuum Satisfies

$$Q_\alpha | \Omega \rangle = Q_\beta^\dagger | \Omega \rangle = 0$$

- Therefore We Have

$$\langle \Omega | H | \Omega \rangle = 0$$

Chiral Superfield

- Useful To Use New Coordinates

$$y = x^\mu + i\theta^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \theta$$

- We Can Write Chiral Superfield As

$$\Phi = \phi(y) + \sqrt{2}\theta\psi(y) + \theta\theta F(y)$$

- F Is An Auxiliary Field -> No On Shell DoFs

Vector Superfield

- Impose That Superfield S Be Real

$$V = a + \theta\xi + \theta^\dagger\xi^\dagger + \theta\theta b + \theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger b^\dagger + \theta^\dagger\bar{\sigma}^\mu\theta v_\mu + \theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger\theta\eta + \theta\theta\theta^\dagger\eta^\dagger + \theta\theta\theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger d$$

- Super Gauge Transformations

$$V \rightarrow V + i(\Omega - \Omega^\dagger)$$

- Wess-Zumino Gauge

$$V_{WZ} = \theta^\dagger\bar{\sigma}^\mu\theta A_\mu + \theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger\theta\lambda + \theta\theta\theta^\dagger\lambda^\dagger + \frac{1}{2}\theta\theta\theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger D$$

- Retains Ordinary Gauge Freedom

Lagrangians In Superspace

- Superspace \rightarrow Automatic SUSY Invariance
- S = Superfield, Φ = Chiral Superfield
- The Following Are SUSY Invariant

$$\int d^2\theta d^2\theta^\dagger S \quad \text{“D” Term}$$

$$\int d^2\theta \Phi \quad \int d^2\theta^\dagger \Phi^\dagger \quad \text{“F” Term}$$

D-Term Example

- D-Term Only Transforms By A Total Div.

$$S(x, \theta, \theta^\dagger) = a + \theta\xi + \theta^\dagger\chi^\dagger + \theta\theta b + \theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger c$$

- $+ \theta^\dagger\bar{\sigma}^\mu\theta v_\mu + \theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger\theta\eta + \theta\theta\theta^\dagger\zeta^\dagger + \theta\theta\theta^\dagger\theta^\dagger d$

- $\left(\epsilon^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta^\alpha} + \epsilon^\dagger_{\dot{\alpha}} \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta^\dagger_{\dot{\alpha}}} + i[\epsilon\sigma^\mu\theta^\dagger + \epsilon^\dagger\bar{\sigma}^\mu\theta]\partial_\mu \right) S$

- $\Rightarrow \delta d \propto \epsilon^\dagger\bar{\sigma}^\mu\partial_\mu\eta + \epsilon\sigma^\mu\partial_\mu\zeta^\dagger$

Super Potential

- Product Of Chiral Superfields = Chiral Superfield

- Construct Super Potential W

$$W = \frac{1}{2} M_{ij} \Phi_i \Phi_j + \frac{1}{6} y_{ijk} \Phi_i \Phi_j \Phi_k$$

- Use F Term In Lagrangian Plus h.c

$$\mathcal{L} \supset [W]_F + \text{h.c}$$

SUSY QED

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- Two Chiral Superfields, Opposite Charge

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SQED}} = [\Phi_1^\dagger e^V \Phi_1]_D + [\Phi_2^\dagger e^{-V} \Phi_2]_D \\ + M[\Phi_1 \Phi_2]_F + M[\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2^\dagger]_F$$

- D-Terms = Super-Gauge Invariant Kinetic Terms

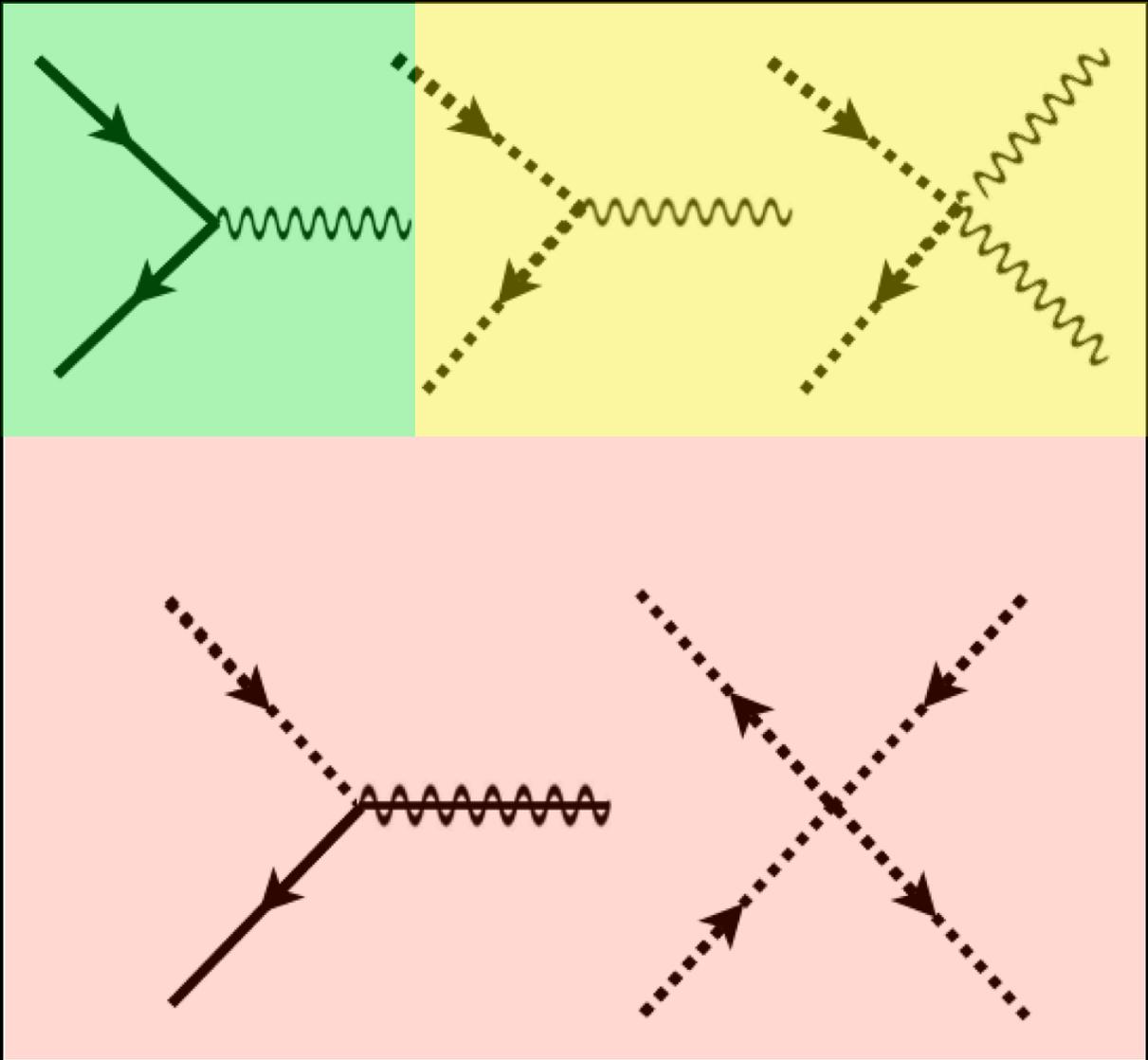
$$\Phi_1 \rightarrow e^{i\Omega} \Phi_1, \quad \Phi_2 \rightarrow e^{-i\Omega} \Phi_2, \quad V \rightarrow V - i(\Omega - \Omega^\dagger)$$

- F-Terms = Mass Terms

SUSY QED

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SQED}} =$

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}i\bar{\Lambda}\gamma^\mu\partial_\mu\Lambda + \bar{\Psi}(i\gamma^\mu\partial_\mu - M)\Psi \\ & -\phi_1^\dagger(\partial^2 + M^2)\phi_1 - \phi_2^\dagger(\partial^2 + M^2)\phi_2 \\ & + g\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\Psi A_\mu \\ & + gi(\phi_1^\dagger\partial_\mu\phi_1 - \phi_1\partial_\mu\phi_1^\dagger)A^\mu + g^2\phi_1^\dagger\phi_1 A_\mu A^\mu \\ & - gi(\phi_2^\dagger\partial_\mu\phi_2 - \phi_2\partial_\mu\phi_2^\dagger)A^\mu + g^2\phi_2^\dagger\phi_2 A_\mu A^\mu \\ & - \sqrt{2}g(\phi_1^\dagger\bar{\Lambda}P_L\Psi + \phi_1\bar{\Psi}P_R\Lambda - \phi_2^\dagger\bar{\Psi}P_L\Lambda - \phi_2\bar{\Lambda}P_R\Psi) \\ & - \frac{1}{2}g^2(\phi_1^\dagger\phi_1 - \phi_2^\dagger\phi_2)^2 \end{aligned}$$



MSSM

MSSM Chiral Superfields [2]

| Names | | spin 0 | spin 1/2 | $SU(3)_C, SU(2)_L, U(1)_Y$ |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| squarks, quarks ($\times 3$ families) | Q | $(\tilde{u}_L \ \tilde{d}_L)$ | $(u_L \ d_L)$ | $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, \frac{1}{6})$ |
| | \bar{u} | \tilde{u}_R^* | u_R^\dagger | $(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}, -\frac{2}{3})$ |
| | \bar{d} | \tilde{d}_R^* | d_R^\dagger | $(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}, \frac{1}{3})$ |
| sleptons, leptons ($\times 3$ families) | L | $(\tilde{\nu} \ \tilde{e}_L)$ | $(\nu \ e_L)$ | $(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$ |
| | \bar{e} | \tilde{e}_R^* | e_R^\dagger | $(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, 1)$ |
| Higgs, higgsinos | H_u | $(H_u^+ \ H_u^0)$ | $(\tilde{H}_u^+ \ \tilde{H}_u^0)$ | $(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, +\frac{1}{2})$ |
| | H_d | $(H_d^0 \ H_d^-)$ | $(\tilde{H}_d^0 \ \tilde{H}_d^-)$ | $(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$ |

MSSM Vector Superfields [2]

| Names | spin 1/2 | spin 1 | $SU(3)_C, SU(2)_L, U(1)_Y$ |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| gluino, gluon | \tilde{g} | g | (8 , 1 , 0) |
| winos, W bosons | $\tilde{W}^\pm \tilde{W}^0$ | $W^\pm W^0$ | (1 , 3 , 0) |
| bino, B boson | \tilde{B}^0 | B^0 | (1 , 1 , 0) |

Why 2HD?

- We Would Like To Write

$$H^\dagger H$$

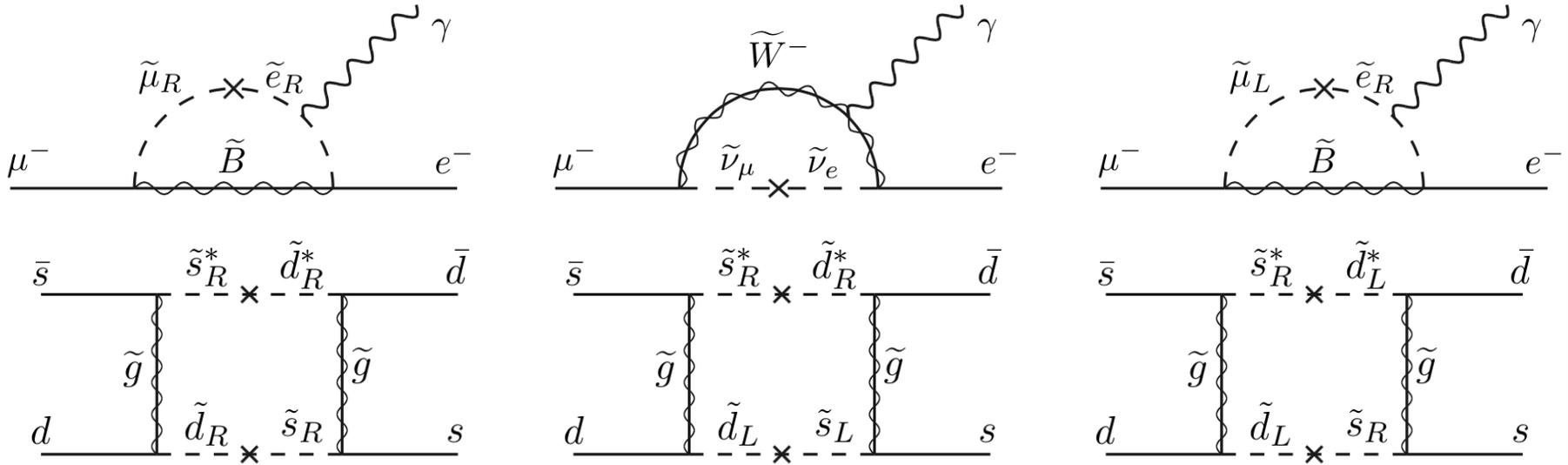
- However This Is Not Allowed In W
 - We Require A Second Higgs Doublet

$$W_{\text{MSSM}} = \bar{u}y_u QH_u + \bar{d}y_d QH_d + \bar{e}y_e LH_d + \mu H_u H_d$$

Soft SUSY Breaking

- “Soft” = Positive Mass Dimension
 - Maintains EW/Plank Scale Hierarchy [2]
- Gaugino Mass $-\frac{1}{2}m_a\lambda^a\lambda^a$
- Holomorphic Scalar Mass $-\frac{1}{2}b_{ij}\phi_i\phi_j$
- Non-Holomorphic Scalar Mass $-m_{ij}\phi_i^\dagger\phi_j$
- Tri-Scalar Coupling $-\frac{1}{6}c_{ijk}\phi_i\phi_j\phi_k$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}}^{\text{MSSM}} = & -\frac{1}{2} \left(M_3 \tilde{g} \tilde{g} + M_2 \tilde{W} \tilde{W} + M_1 \tilde{B} \tilde{B} + \text{c.c.} \right) \\
& - \left(\tilde{u} \mathbf{a}_u \tilde{Q} H_u - \tilde{d} \mathbf{a}_d \tilde{Q} H_d - \tilde{e} \mathbf{a}_e \tilde{L} H_d + \text{c.c.} \right) \\
& - \tilde{Q}^\dagger \mathbf{m}_Q^2 \tilde{Q} - \tilde{L}^\dagger \mathbf{m}_L^2 \tilde{L} - \tilde{u} \mathbf{m}_u^2 \tilde{u}^\dagger - \tilde{d} \mathbf{m}_d^2 \tilde{d}^\dagger - \tilde{e} \mathbf{m}_e^2 \tilde{e}^\dagger \\
& - m_{H_u}^2 H_u^* H_u - m_{H_d}^2 H_d^* H_d - (b H_u H_d + \text{c.c.}) .
\end{aligned}$$



MSSM 124 Parameters [3]

- SUSY Conserving
 - Gauge Couplings
 - Higgs Mass
Parameter μ
 - Yukawa Couplings
- SUSY Violating
 - Gaugino/Sfermion/
Higgs Masses
 - Higgs-Sfermion-
Fermion Couplings
 - $\tan\beta = v_u/v_d$
 - (Note that $v_u^2 + v_d^2$
Fixed By W Mass)

R-Symmetry

- Postulate New U(1) Symmetry [2]

$$\theta \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} \theta \quad \theta^\dagger \rightarrow e^{-i\alpha} \theta^\dagger$$

- Superfield Components Transform Differently
- Define A Supercharge r_s

$$S(x, \theta, \theta^\dagger) \rightarrow e^{ir_s \alpha} S(x, e^{i\alpha} \theta, e^{-i\alpha} \theta^\dagger)$$

R-Parity In MSSM aka Matter Parity

- Discrete Version Of R-Symmetry
- Ordinary Particles Have $P_M = +1$
- Super Partners (Sparticles) Have $P_M = -1$
- Implies Each Vertex Must Have Even Number of Sparticles
 - \Rightarrow Lightest Sparticle Is Stable! (LSP)

Matter Parity Cont.

- Consider What Would Happen Without Matter Parity...
- Note that L and H_d Have The Same Quantum Numbers
- In W_{MSSM} We Could Write $\bar{d}QL$
 - Would Violate Lepton Number

LSP As Dark Matter [4]

- Neutral Higgsinos, Winos, and Binos Are Not Mass Eigenstates
- 4 Mass Eigenstates Are Called Neutralinos
 - Majorana Fermions
- Thought To Be A Likely Candidate For DM

What Did We Learn?

- You Can Construct SUSY In Ordinary QM
- SUSY Gives Cancellations
- SUSY Fields Chiral & Vector
- Superspace + Superfields \Rightarrow SUSY Automatic
- SUSY QED Lagrangian And Feynman Diagrams
- MSSM: 2HDM & SUSY Breaking & LSP DM

Thank You!

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