

# DIVERGENCE STRUCTURE OF $6D$ , $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$ SUPERSYMMETRIC GAUGE THEORIES

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- Developing the  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  harmonic superfield formulation for  $6D$  vector multiplet coupled to  $6D$  hypermultiplet
- Constructing the background field methods, to get the manifestly supersymmetric and gauge invariant effective action
- Studying the general structure of the divergences depending both on vector multiplet and on hypermultiplet
- Calculating the one-loop divergences

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The modern interest to  $6D$  supersymmetric gauge theories is stipulated by the problem of field description of the interacting multiple  $M5$ -branes (see e.g. review J. Bagger, N. Lambert, S. Mikhu, C. Papageorgakis, Phys.Repts. 527 (2013) 1).

- Hypothetic  $M$ -theory is characterized by two extended objects:  $M2$ -brane and  $M5$ -brane.
- The field description of interacting multiple  $M2$ -branes is given by Bagger-Lambert-Gustavsson (BGL) theory which is  $3D$ ,  $\mathcal{N} = 8$  supersymmetric gauge theory.
- The field description of the interacting multiple  $M5$ -branes is not constructed.

- Low-energy dynamics of a single  $M5$ -brane is described by the six-dimensional Abelian  $\mathcal{N} = (2, 0)$  tensor multiplet (see e.g. S. Ferrara, E. Sokachev, 2000).
- Field contents: 5 bosonic degrees of freedom, provided by five scalars, eight fermionic degrees of freedom and three bosonic degrees of freedom provided by Abelian antisymmetric tensor gauge field  $B_{ab}$  which has a self-dual field strength  $H_{abc}$ .
- Problem of Lagrangian description: kinetic term for field  $B_{ab}$  is identically zero because of the self-duality condition.
- Problem of non-Abelian formulation: non-Abelian generalization of tensor multiplet is unknown (e.g. X. Bekaert, M. Henneaux, A. Sevrin, 1999, 2001; I. Bandos, H. Samtleben, D. Sorokin, 2013)

- From M-theory side, the low-energy interacting multiple  $M5$ -brane theory should be six-dimensional conformal non-Abelian gauge model with  $\mathcal{N} = (2, 0)$  supersymmetry (e.g. review J. Teschner, arXiv:1412.7145).
- From field theory side such a model is not formulated so far.
- Recently it was proposed to construct the non-Abelian  $\mathcal{N} = (2, 0)$  supersymmetric theory using the non-Abelian  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  supersymmetric gauge theory (H. Samtleben, E. Sezgin, R. Wimmer, 2011, 2013) in the framework of non-Abelian hierarchy of  $p$ -forms (B. de Wit, H. Samtleben, 2005; E.A. Bergshoeff, J. Hartong, O. Holm, M. Huebscher, T. Ortin, 2009).
- Attempts to develop the superfield formulation of the tensor hierarchy have been given (I. Bandos, 2013; I.L.B, N.G. Pletnev, 2015).

- $6D$  supersymmetric gauge models are characterized by the miraculous cancellations of the divergences (P.S. Howe, K.S. Stelle, 1984, 2003; G. Bossard, P.S. Howe, K.S. Stelle, 2009).
- Constructing the systematic superfield procedure to explain an origin of these cancellations.
- Constructing the superfield background field method.
- Developing the manifestly gauge invariant and supersymmetric procedure to calculate the divergent and finite parts of the quantum effective action

Goal of talk: brief review a harmonic superspace formulation of the  $6D$ ,  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  supersymmetric gauge models, construction of the quantum effective action and calculation of the one-loop divergences in Abelian theory.

## Reminder of the notions

- Supersymmetry is extension of special relativity symmetry by fermionic generators.
- Supersymmetry unifies some bosonic and fermionic fields into one supermultiplet.
- Supersymmetric field models can be formulated in terms of above bosonic and fermionic fields. Component approach.
- In some cases the supersymmetric field models can be formulated in terms of superfields. A superfield depends on space-time coordinates  $x$  and some number of anticommuting (Grassmann) coordinates  $\theta$ . The coefficients of expansion of superfield in anticommuting coordinates are the conventional bosonic and fermionic fields of supermultiplet.
- Advantage of component formulation: close relation with conventional field theory, convenient in classical field theory and to calculate the quantum processes ( $S$ -matrix). Disadvantage: supersymmetry is not manifest.
- Advantage of superfield formulation: manifest supersymmetry, convenient in quantum field theory to study off-shell effects.
- Problem of unconstrained formulation



- Review part
  1.  $6D$  supersymmetry
  2.  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  harmonic superspace
  3.  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  hypermultiplet
  4.  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  vector multiplet
  5. Action of Abelian vector multiplet coupled to hypermultiplet
- Background field method
- Structure of one-loop counterterms
- Divergent part of one-loop effective action
- Summary

Basic reference: P.S. Howe, G. Sierra, P.K. Townsend, 1983.

### 6D Minkowski space

- Coordinates  $x^a$ ,  $a = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$
- Metric  $\eta_{ab} = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1)$
- Proper Lorentz group  $SO(1, 5)$

### Two types of 6D Spinors

- Left  $(1, 0)$  spinors  $\psi_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha = 1, 2, 3, 4$
- Right  $(0, 1)$  spinors  $\phi^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha = 1, 2, 3, 4$

## Dirac matrices

- $8 \times 8$  Dirac matrices  $\Gamma^a$ ,

$$\Gamma^a \Gamma^b + \Gamma^b \Gamma^a = 2\eta^{ab}$$

- Representation of the Dirac matrices

$$\Gamma^a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (\gamma^a)_{\alpha\beta} \\ (\tilde{\gamma}^a)^{\beta\alpha} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\alpha, \beta = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

- Pauli-type matrices  $\gamma^a$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}^a$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a &= -\gamma_{\beta\alpha}^a, \quad \tilde{\gamma}_{\alpha\beta}^a = -\tilde{\gamma}_{\beta\alpha}^a, \\ (\gamma^a \tilde{\gamma}^b + \gamma^b \tilde{\gamma}^a)_{\alpha}{}^{\beta} &= 2\eta^{ab} \delta_{\alpha}{}^{\beta} \end{aligned}$$

- Spinor representation of the vectors,  $V_{\alpha\beta} = \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a V_a$ ;  $V^{\alpha\beta} = \tilde{\gamma}_a^{\alpha\beta} V_a$

## 6D superalgebra

- Two types of independent supercharges  
 $Q_\alpha^I, Q_J^\alpha, I = 1, \dots, 2m; J = 1, \dots, 2n$
- Anticommutational relations for supercharges

$$\{Q_\alpha^I, Q_\beta^K\} = 2\Omega^{IK} P_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\{Q_J^\alpha, Q_L^\beta\} = 2\Omega_{JL} P^{\alpha\beta}$$

Matrix  $\Omega_{IK}$  belongs to  $USp(2n)$  group (R-symmetry group),  $\Omega_{IK}\Omega^{KJ} = \delta_I^J$

- $\mathcal{N} = (m, n)$  supersymmetry
- $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  superspace  
 Coordinates  $z = \{x^{\alpha\beta}, \theta_I^\alpha\}, I = 1, 2$
- Basic spinor derivatives

$$D_\alpha^I = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_I^\alpha} - i\theta^{I\beta} \partial_{\alpha\beta}, \quad \{D_\alpha^I, D_\beta^J\} = -2i\Omega^{IJ} \partial_{\alpha\beta}$$

## Harmonic superspace

Basic references:

4D

A.Galperin, E. Ivanov, S. Kalitsyn, V. Ogievetsky, E. Sokatchev, 1985.

A.Galperin, E. Ivanov, V. Ogievetsky, E. Sokatchev, Harmonic Superspace, 2001.

General purpose: to formulate  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  models in terms of unconstrained  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  superfields. General idea: to use the parameters  $u^{\pm i} (i = 1, 2)$  (harmonics) related to  $SU(2)$  automorphism group of the  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  superalgebra and parametrizing the 2-sphere,

$$u^{+i}u_i^- = 1$$

It allows to introduce the  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  superfields with the same number of anticommuting coordinates as in case of the  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  supersymmetry. Prices for this are the extra bosonic variables, harmonics  $u^{\pm i}$ .

6D

P.S. Howe, K.S. Stelle, P.C. West, 1985.

B.M. Zupnik, 1986; 1999.

## (1, 0) harmonic superspace

- $USp(2) \sim SU(2)$ ,  $I = i$  The same harmonics  $u^{\pm i}$  as in 4D,  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  supersymmetry
- Harmonic 6D, (1, 0) superspace with coordinates  $(x^a, \theta^{\alpha i}, u^{\pm i})$
- Analytic basis  $(\zeta_A^M = \{x_A^a, \theta^{+\alpha}\}, u_i^{\pm}, \theta^{-\alpha})$ ,  
 $x_A^a = x^a + i\theta^{-\gamma\alpha}\theta^+$ ,  $\theta^{\pm\alpha} = u_i^{\pm}\theta^{\alpha i}$   
 The coordinates  $\zeta_A^M, u_i^{\pm}$  form a subspace closed under (1, 0) supersymmetry
- The harmonic derivatives

$$D^{++} = u^{+i} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^{-i}} + i\theta^+ \not{\partial}\theta^+ + \theta^{+\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^{-\alpha}},$$

$$D^{--} = u^{-i} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^{+i}} + i\theta^- \not{\partial}\theta^- + \theta^{-\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^{+\alpha}},$$

$$D^0 = u^{+i} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^{+i}} - u^{-i} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^{-i}} + \theta^{+\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^{+\alpha}} - \theta^{-\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^{-\alpha}}$$

- Spinor derivatives in the analytic basis

$$D_{\alpha}^{+} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^{-\alpha}}, \quad D_{\alpha}^{-} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^{+\alpha}} - 2i\partial_{\alpha\beta}\theta^{-\beta}, \quad \{D_{\alpha}^{+}, D_{\beta}^{-}\} = -2i\partial_{\alpha\beta}$$

- Analytic superfields  $\phi$  do not depend on  $\theta^{-\alpha}$ ,  $D_{\alpha}^{+}\phi = 0$

## Hypermultiplet in conventional $6D$ superspace

- The  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  hypermultiplet is described in conventional  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  superspace by the superfields  $q^i(x, \theta)$  and their conjugate  $\bar{q}_i(x, \theta)$ , where  $\bar{q}_i = (q^i)^+$  under the constraint

$$D_\alpha^{(i} q^{j)}(x, \theta) = 0$$

- On-shell component form of the hypermultiplet

$$q^i(z) = f^i(x) + \theta^{\alpha i} \psi_\alpha(x)$$

where the scalar field  $f^i(x)$  and the spinor field  $\psi_\alpha(x)$  satisfy the equations  $\square f^i = 0, \partial^{\alpha\beta} \psi_\beta = 0$

- The on-shell  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  hypermultiplet in six dimensions has 2 bosonic+2 fermionic complex degrees of freedom.

## Hypermultiplet in harmonic superspace: off-shell Lagrangian formulation

- Off-shell hypermultiplet is described by the analytic superfield  $q_A^+(\zeta, u)$ ,  $D_\alpha^+ q_A^+(\zeta, u) = 0$ , satisfying the reality condition  $\widetilde{(q^{+A})} \equiv q_A^+ = \varepsilon_{AB} q^{+B}$ . Pauli-Gürsey indices  $A, B = 1, 2$
- Off-shell hypermultiplet harmonic superfield contains infinite set of auxiliary fields which vanish on-shell due to the equations of motion

$$D^{++} q^+(\zeta, u) = 0$$

- The equations of motion follow from the action

$$S_q = -\frac{1}{2} \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du q^{+A} D^{++} q_A^+$$

Here  $d\zeta^{(-4)} = d^6 x d^4 \theta^+$ .



The  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  non-Abelian vector multiplet in  $6D$  conventional superspace

- Gauge covariant derivatives

$$\nabla_{\mathcal{M}} = D_{\mathcal{M}} + \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{M}}, \quad [\nabla_M, \nabla_N] = T_{MN}{}^L \nabla_L + F_{MN}$$

with  $D_{\mathcal{M}} = \{\partial_m, D_{\alpha}^i\}$  being the flat covariant derivatives and  $\mathcal{A}_M$  being the gauge connection taking the values in the Lie algebra of the gauge group.

- The constraints

$$F_{\alpha\beta}^{ij} = 0, \quad \{\nabla_{\alpha}^i, \nabla_{\beta}^j\} = -2i\varepsilon^{ij} \nabla_{\alpha\beta}, \quad [\nabla_{\gamma}^i, \nabla_{\alpha\beta}] = -2i\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} W^{i\delta}$$

Here  $W^{i\alpha}$  is the superfield strength obeying the Bianchi identities.

The constraints are solved in the framework of the harmonic superspace

The  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  non-Abelian vector multiplet in  $6D$ ,  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  harmonic superspace

- Harmonic covariant derivative

$$\nabla^{++} = D^{++} + V^{++}$$

Connection  $V^{++}$ , taking the values in the Lie algebra of the gauge group, this is an unconstrained analytic potential of the  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  SYM theory.

- On-shell field content: vector  $A_{\alpha\beta}$  and spinor  $\lambda^{-\alpha}$
- The superfield action of  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  SYM theory is written in the form

$$S_{SYM} = \frac{1}{f^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \text{tr} \int d^{14}z du_1 \dots du_n \frac{V^{++}(z, u_1) \dots V^{++}(z, u_n)}{(u_1^+ u_2^+) \dots (u_n^+ u_1^+)}$$

Here  $f$  is the dimensional coupling constant ( $[f] = -1$ )

- Gauge transformations

$$V^{++\prime} = -ie^{i\lambda} D^{++} e^{-i\lambda} + e^{i\lambda} V^{++} e^{-i\lambda}, \quad q^{+\prime} = e^{i\lambda} q^+$$

## Theory of Abelian vector multiplet coupled to hypermultiplet

- Action

$$S[V^{++}, q^+] = \frac{1}{4f^2} \int d^{14}z \frac{du_1 du_2}{(u_1^+ u_2^+)^2} V^{++}(z, u_1) V^{++}(z, u_2) \\ - \int d\zeta^{-4} du \tilde{q}^+ \nabla^{++} q^+$$

- Dimensional coupling constant  $f$  ( $[f] = -1$ )
- Harmonic covariant derivative

$$\nabla^{++} = D^{++} + iV^{++}$$

- Equations of motion

$$\frac{1}{2f^2} F^{++} - i\tilde{q}^+ q^+ = 0, \quad \nabla^{++} q^+ = 0.$$

$$F^{++} = (D^+)^4 V^{--}, \quad D^{++} V^{--} - D^{--} V^{++} = 0$$

Aim: construction of gauge invariant effective action

Realization

- Splitting the superfields  $V^{++}, q^+$  into the sum of the background superfields  $V^{++}, Q^+$  and the quantum superfields  $v^{++}, q^+$

$$V^{++} \rightarrow V^{++} + f v^{++}, \quad q^+ \rightarrow Q^+ + q^+$$

- Expanding the action in a power series in quantum fields. As a result, we obtain the initial action  $S[V^{++}, q^+]$  as a functional  $\tilde{S}[v^{++}, q^+; V^{++}, Q^+]$  of background superfields and quantum superfields.
- Gauge fixing conditions are imposed only on quantum field  $v^{++}$ .
- Appropriate gauge fixing function

$$\mathcal{F}^{(+4)} = D^{++} v^{++}.$$

- Using the Faddeev-Popov procedure. One obtains the effective action  $\Gamma[V^{++}, Q^+]$  which is gauge invariant under the classical gauge transformations.

## One-loop approximation

- $\Gamma[V^{++}, Q^+] = S[V^{++}, Q^+] + \Gamma^{(1)}[V^{++}, Q^+]$

$$e^{i\Gamma^{(1)}[V^{++}, Q^+]} = \int \mathcal{D}v^{++} \mathcal{D}q^+ \mathcal{D}\tilde{q}^+ e^{iS_2[v^{++}, q^+; V^{++}, Q^+]}$$

- $S_2$  is a quadratic part of the action  $\tilde{S}$

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$$S_2 = \frac{1}{4} \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du v^{++} \widehat{\square} v^{++}$$

$$- \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du \{ \tilde{q}^+ \nabla^{++} q^+ + f \tilde{Q}^+ i v^{++} q^+ + f \tilde{q}^+ i v^{++} Q^+ \}$$

where

$$\widehat{\square} = \square + iW^+{}^a \nabla_a^- + iF^{++} \nabla^{--} - \frac{i}{4} (D_\alpha^- W^{+\alpha})$$

$$\nabla^{--} = D^{--} + iV^{--}$$

### One-loop approximation

Action  $S_2$  mixes the quantum fields  $v^{++}$  and  $q^+$ . They can be decoupled by some change of variables in path integral and we can integrate over independent variables.

One-loop correction in effective action is expressed as follows

$$\Gamma^{(1)}[V^{++}, Q^+] = \frac{i}{2} \text{Tr} \ln \left\{ \square - 4f^2 \tilde{Q}^+ G^{(1,1)} Q^+ \right\} + i \text{Tr} \ln \nabla^{++}$$

where  $G^{(1,1)}$  is a hypermultiplet propagator in the background field  $V^{++}$  and the  $\text{Tr}$  is a functional traces in analytic subspace of harmonic superspace.

Problem of calculation of  $\Gamma^{(1)}[V^{++}, Q^+]$

Model

$$S[V^{++}, q^+] = \frac{1}{4f^2} \int d^{14}z \frac{du_1 du_2}{(u_1^+ u_2^+)^2} V^{++}(z, u_1) V^{++}(z, u_2) - \int d\zeta^{-4} du \tilde{q}^+ \nabla^{++} q^+$$

Quantum perturbation theory for effective action can be completely constructed in superspace terms. Supergraphs.

- Propagators

Vector multiplet propagator

$$G^{(2,2)}(1|2) = -2 \frac{(D_1^+)^4}{\square_1} \delta^{14}(z_1 - z_2) \delta^{(-2,2)}(u_1, u_2)$$

Hypermultiplet propagator

$$G^{(1,1)}(1|2) = \frac{(D_1^+)^4 (D_2^+)^4}{\square_1} \frac{\delta^{14}(z_1 - z_2)}{(u_1^+ u_2^+)^3}$$

- Vertex

$$-i \tilde{q}^+ V^{++} q^+$$

$$\delta^{14}(z_1 - z_2) = \delta^6(x_1 - x_2)\delta^8(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

### Superficial degree of divergence $\omega$ -total degree in momenta in loop integral.

- Consider the  $L$  loop supergraph  $G$  with  $P$  propagators,  $V$  vertices,  $N_Q$  external hypermultiplet legs, and an arbitrary vector multiplet external legs.
- One can prove that due to the Grassmann delta-functions in the propagators, any supergraph for effective action contains only a single integral over  $d^8\theta$  (non-renormalization theorem).
- Mass dimensions:  $[x] = -1$ ,  $[p] = 1$ ,  $[\int d^6p] = 6$ ,  $[\theta] = -\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $[\int d^8\theta] = 4$ ,  $[q^+] = 1$ ,  $[V^{++}] = 0$ .
- After summing all dimensions and using some identities, power counting gives

$$\omega(G) = 2L - N_Q$$

- A number of space-time derivatives in the counterterms increases with  $L$ . The theory is multiplicatively non-renormalizable.
- One loop approximation

$$\omega_{1-loop}(G) = 2 - N_Q$$

- The possible divergences correspond to  $\omega_{1-loop} = 2$  and  $\omega_{1-loop} = 0$



Expectable result on the base of dimensions, gauge invariance and  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  supersymmetry (G. Bossard, E. Ivanov, A. Smilga, 2015)

$$\Gamma_{div}^{(1)} = \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du \left\{ c_1 (F^{++})^2 + ic_2 \tilde{Q}^+ F^{++} Q^+ + c_3 (\tilde{Q}^+ Q^+)^2 \right\}$$

Analysis on the base of superficial degree of divergence  $\omega$ .

- $\omega_{1-loop} = 2$

$$\Gamma_1^{(1)} \sim \int d^{14}z du V^{--} \square V^{++} = \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du (F^{++})^2$$

- $\omega_{1-loop} = 0$

$$\Gamma_2^{(1)} \sim \int d^{14}z du \tilde{Q}^+ V^{--} Q^+ = \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du \tilde{Q}^+ F^{++} Q^+$$

Term  $(\tilde{Q}^+ Q^+)^2$  is prohibited in one-loop approximation

## Divergent part of one-loop effective action

Explicit calculations of the one-loop divergences

$$\Gamma^{(1)}[V^{++}, Q^+] = \frac{i}{2} \text{Tr} \ln \left\{ \square - 4f^2 \tilde{Q}^+ G^{(1,1)} Q^+ \right\} + i \text{Tr} \ln \nabla^{++}$$

$(F^{++})^2$  part of effective action is concentrated only in

$$\Gamma_{F^2}^{(1)}[V^{++}] = i \text{Tr} \ln \nabla^{++} = -i \text{Tr} \ln G^{(1,1)}$$

$G^{(1,1)}$  is a hypermultiplet propagator in the background field  $V^{++}$ .

Scheme of calculations

- The  $\text{Tr} \ln \nabla^{++}$  is ill defined because of chiral anomaly. However, its variation is well defined.
- This variation is calculated in the framework of superfield proper-time technique which preserve manifest supersymmetry and gauge invariance
- Restoration of divergent part of  $\text{Tr} \ln \nabla^{++}$  on the base of its variation. Result

$$\Gamma_{F^2}^{(1)}[V^{++}] = -\frac{1}{6(4\pi)^3 \varepsilon} \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du (F^{++})^2$$

$$\varepsilon = 6 - d$$

The hypermultiplet dependent part of effective action is concentrated only in

$$\frac{i}{2} \text{Tr} \ln \left\{ \square - 4f^2 \tilde{Q}^+ G^{(1,1)} Q^+ \right\}$$

Scheme of calculations

- Propagator in background field

$$G^{(1,1)}(1|2) = \frac{(\mathcal{D}_1^+)^4 (\mathcal{D}_2^+)^4 \delta^{14}(z_1 - z_2)}{\widehat{\square}_1 (u_1^+ u_2^+)^3}$$

- Supercovariant d'Alembertian

$$\widehat{\square} = \square + iW^{+a} \nabla_a^- + iF^{++} \nabla^{--} - \frac{i}{4} (D_\alpha^- W^{+\alpha}) = \square + iF^{++} \nabla^{--} + \dots$$

- Expansion of  $\text{Tr} \ln \left\{ \square - 4f^2 \tilde{Q}^+ G^{(1,1)} Q^+ \right\}$  up to first order.
- Expansion of  $\widehat{\square} = \square + iF^{++} \nabla^{--} + \dots$  in the denominator of propagator up to first order
- Result

$$\Gamma_{QQ}^{(1)}[V^{++}, Q^+] = \frac{2if^2}{(4\pi)^3 \varepsilon} \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du \tilde{Q}^+ F^{++} Q^+$$

### Final result for one-loop divergences

$$\Gamma_{div}^{(1)}[V^{++}, Q^+] = -\frac{1}{6(4\pi)^3 \varepsilon} \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du \left\{ (F^{++})^2 - 12 i f^2 \tilde{Q}^+ F^{++} Q^+ \right\}$$

- In the vector multiplet sector, the divergent part of the effective action is proportional to the classical equation of motion  $F^{++} = 0$ . Therefore the divergence as a whole can be eliminated by a field redefinition ( $\delta V^{++} \sim \frac{1}{\varepsilon} F^{++}$ ) in the classical action and the theory under consideration is one-loop finite on-shell.
- If the background hypermultiplet does not vanish, we obtain, after some field redefinition proportional to the equation of motion, the divergent part of effective action in the form  $\Gamma_{div}^{(1)} \sim \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int d\zeta^{(-4)} du (\tilde{Q}^+ Q^+)^2$ . Thus the divergence in the hypermultiplet sector cannot be eliminated and the full theory is not on-shell finite at the one-loop level.
- Situation is completely analogous to one in Einstein quantum gravity with matter

- The six-dimensional  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  supersymmetric theory of the Abelian vector multiplet coupled to hypermultiplet in the  $6D$ ,  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  harmonic superspace was formulated
- Background field method in harmonic superspace was constructed .
- Manifestly supersymmetric and gauge invariant effective action, depending both on vector multiplet and hypermultiplet superfields, was defined.
- Superficial degree of divergence is evaluated and structure of one-loop counterterms was calculated.
- An efficient manifestly gauge invariant and  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  supersymmetric technique to calculate the one-loop effective action was developed. As an application of this technique, we found the one-loop divergences of the theory under consideration.
- It was shown that, if the background hypermultiplet superfield does not vanish, the one-loop divergences cannot be eliminated by any field redefinition and the theory is not one-loop finite on-shell.

## Open problems

- To study the structure of the effective action for the non-Abelian  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  SYM theories. All such theories admit a formulation in  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  harmonic superspace. The background field method can be developed quite analogously to the Abelian case and the one-loop divergences can be calculated. The basic difference from the Abelian theory considered here will be a self-interaction of vector multiplet and a non-trivial ghost contribution to the effective action, which can change the relative coefficient between the  $(F^{++})^2$  and the  $\tilde{Q}^+ F^{++} Q^+$  terms in the one-loop divergent part. We expect that the purely hypermultiplet contribution to the divergent part of the one-loop effective action in non-Abelian theory will be absent as in the Abelian theory.
- To study the finite contributions to low-energy effective action, which have never been considered before. To construct the Heisenberg-Euler type effective Lagrangian.

- To study the effective action in non-Abelian  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 1)$  SYM theory. Such a theory can be formulated in  $6D, \mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  harmonic superspace in terms of  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  analytic harmonic superfields, where the gauge connection  $V^{++}$  and the hypermultiplet  $q^+, \tilde{q}^+$ , both in the adjoint representation. This theory exhibits the manifest off-shell  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 0)$  supersymmetry and an additional hidden on-shell  $\mathcal{N} = (0, 1)$  supersymmetry, and in many aspects is analogous to  $4D, \mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM theory. It is expected, that  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 1)$  SYM theory is completely one-loop finite.

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