

# New multiplets in four dimensional $N=2$ conformal supergravity

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# Introduction

- $\mathcal{N}$  extended conformal supergravity in four dimensions is a theory of gravity which is a representation of the  $\mathcal{N}$ -fold extended superconformal algebra  $su(2, 2|\mathcal{N})$ .
- Due to the conformal symmetry, it contains off-shell representations with smaller number of components than the Poincare supergravity theory.
- On gauge fixing some of the conformal symmetries using compensator fields, one can obtain the corresponding Poincare supergravity theory.

# Conformal gravity as a gauge theory

- $SU(2,2)$  conformal algebra contains the generators  $P_a, M_{ab}, D, K_a$ .
- $[D, P_a] = P_a, [D, K_a] = -K_a, [P_a, K_b] = \eta_{ab}D - 2M_{ab},$   
 $[P_a, M_{bc}] = 2P_{[b}\eta_{c]a}, [K_a, M_{bc}] = 2K_{[b}\eta_{c]a},$   
 $[M_{ab}, M_{cd}] = 2\eta_{[a[c}M_{b]d}]$
- Introduce a gauge field corresponding to each generator:  $e_\mu^a, \omega_\mu^{ab}, b_\mu,$   
 $f_\mu^a.$

- Transformation rule for the above fields is obtained by using the structure constants of the conformal algebra.

$$\delta h_{\mu}^A = \partial_{\mu} \varepsilon^A + \varepsilon^C h_{\mu}^B f_{BC}^A$$

For eg,  $f_{d[bc]}^a = 2\eta_{a[b}\delta_{c]}^a$ . Therefore  $\delta_M e_{\nu}^a = \frac{1}{2}\lambda^{bc} e_{\nu}^d f_{d[bc]}^a$ . Thus,  $\delta_M e_{\nu}^a = -\lambda^{ab} e_{\nu b}$ .

- Conformal curvatures:

$$R_{\mu\nu}^A = 2\partial_{[\mu} h_{\nu]}^A + h_{\nu}^C h_{\mu}^B f_{BC}^A$$

For eg:  $R_{\mu\nu} = 2\partial_{[\mu} e_{\nu]}^a + 2b_{[\mu} e_{\nu]}^a + 2\omega_{[\mu}^{ab} e_{\nu]b}$

- Demand translations to act as general coordinate transformations.

$$\delta_P e_\mu^a = \delta_{\text{cov}} e_\mu^a + \xi^\nu R_{\mu\nu}(P)^a$$

- Conventional constraints:  $R_{\mu\nu}(P)^a = 0$ ,  $R(M)_{\mu\nu}{}^{ab} e_b^\nu = 0$ .
- $\omega_\mu^{ab}$  and  $f_\mu^a$ : Dependent gauge fields.

$$\begin{aligned}\omega(e, b)_\mu^{ab} &= \omega(e)_\mu^{ab} - 2e_\mu^{[a} e^{b]\nu} b_\nu \\ f_\mu^a &= \frac{1}{2} R(e, b)_\mu^a - \frac{1}{12} R(e, b) e_\mu^a\end{aligned}$$

- Number of independent field components :  $e_\mu^a(16), b_\mu(4)$   
 Number of gauge transformation parameters for  $su(2, 2)$  : 15.  
 Therefore off-shell d.o.f =  $20 - 15 = 5$ . But for Poincare gravity, we need 6 off-shell d.o.f!

- Consider

$$\mathcal{L} = -e\phi D^\mu D_\mu \phi$$

- $\phi$  has Weyl weight +1.

- $D_\mu \phi = \partial_\mu \phi - b_\mu \phi,$

$$D_\mu D^a \phi = (\partial_\mu - 2b_\mu) D^a \phi - \omega_\mu^{ab} D_b \phi + f_\mu^a \phi$$

- Gauge fixing:  $b_\mu = 0, \phi = \sqrt{6}/(\sqrt{2}\kappa)$



$$\mathcal{L} = -e \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R$$

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# N extended superconformal algebra in four dimensions

- Contains  $Q$  and  $S$  supercharges.

$$[K_a, Q^i] = \gamma_a S^i, \quad [P_a, S^i] = \frac{1}{2} \gamma_a Q^i,$$

$$\{Q^i, \bar{Q}_j\} = -(I - \gamma_5) \gamma^a P_a \delta^i_j$$

- It contains an  $R$  symmetry algebra  $SU(N)_R \times U(1)_R$ .

$$\{Q^i, \bar{S}_j\} = \frac{1}{2} (I - \gamma_5) (2\sigma^{ab} M_{ab} + D - iA - 2V^i_j)$$

- Fermionic charges are Majorana Fermions. Hence, the  $R$  symmetry algebra is chiral.

$$\{D, Q^i\} = \frac{1}{2} Q^i, \quad \{D, S^i\} = \frac{1}{2} S^i, \dots$$



# Superconformal gauge theory

- Begin with a superconformal gauge theory: Associate a gauge field to each charge from the superconformal algebra:  $e_\mu^a$ ,  $\omega_\mu^{ab}$ ,  $b_\mu$ ,  $f_\mu^a$ ,  $\mathcal{V}_{\mu j}^i$ ,  $A_\mu$ ,  $\psi_\mu^i$ ,  $\phi_\mu^i$  with  $P^a$ ,  $M^{ab}$ ,  $D$ ,  $K^a$ ,  $V_j^i$ ,  $A$ ,  $Q^i$ ,  $S^i$  respectively.

- Transformation rule for the above fields is obtained by using the structure constants of the superconformal algebra.

$$\delta h_\mu^A = \partial_\mu \varepsilon^A + \varepsilon^C h_\mu^B f_{BC}^A$$

- Conformal curvatures:  $R_{\mu\nu}^A = 2\partial_{[\mu} h_{\nu]}^A + h_\nu^C h_\mu^B f_{BC}^A$
- In this theory, the superconformal transformations act as internal symmetries.

- To realize this gauge theory as a theory of supergravity, impose constraints on conformal curvatures. Add matter fields  $(D, T_{ab}, \chi^i)$  such that the bosonic and fermionic degrees of freedom match.
- Conventional constraints:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{\mu\nu}(P)^a &= 0, \\
 \gamma^\mu(\hat{R}_{\mu\nu}(Q)^i + \frac{1}{2}\gamma_{\mu\nu}\chi^i) &= 0, \\
 e_b^\nu \hat{R}_{\mu\nu}(M)_a{}^b - i\tilde{R}_{\mu a}(A) + \frac{1}{4}T_{ab}^+ T_\mu^{-b} - \frac{3}{2}De_{\mu a} &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

- These constraints make some of the gauge fields to be dependent fields.

# Weyl Multiplet

- Multiplet of fields obtained in this manner is known as the Weyl multiplet. This is the minimal multiplet containing the gauge fields of the superconformal algebra.
- Independent Bosonic fields:  
 $e_{\mu}^a(16), b_{\mu}(4), A_{\mu}(4), \mathcal{V}_{\mu j}^i(12), T_{ab}^{ij}(6), D(1)$ . Number of bosonic gauge parameters:  $M_{ab}(6), P^a(4), K^a(4), D(1), V(3), A(1)$ .  
 Off-shell bosonic d.o.f.=24.
- Independent Fermionic fields:  $\psi_{\mu}^i(32), \chi^i(8)$   
 Number of fermionic gauge parameters:  $Q^i(8), S^i(8)$   
 Off-shell fermionic degrees of freedom = 24.

■ Algebra on the fields:

$$[\delta_Q(\epsilon_1), \delta_Q(\epsilon_2)] = \delta^{(cov)}(\xi) + \delta_M(\varepsilon) + \delta_K(\Lambda_K) + \delta_S(\eta) + \delta_{gauge}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\delta_S(\eta), \delta_Q(\epsilon)] &= \delta_M(2\bar{\eta}^i \sigma^{ab} \epsilon_i + \text{h.c.}) + \delta_D(\bar{\eta}_i \epsilon^i + \text{h.c.}) \\ &\quad + \delta_A(i\bar{\eta}_i \epsilon^i + \text{h.c.}) + \delta_V(-2\bar{\eta}^i \epsilon_j - (\text{h.c.; traceless})) \end{aligned}$$

$$[\delta_S(\eta_1), \delta_S(\eta_2)] = \delta_K(\bar{\eta}_{2i} \gamma^a \eta_1^i + \text{h.c.})$$

where  $\delta^{(cov)}(\xi) = \delta_{gct}(\xi) + \sum_T \delta_T(-\xi^\mu h_\mu(T))$ .

■ The field dependent transformation parameters are given by

$$\xi^\mu = 2\bar{\epsilon}_2^i \gamma^\mu \epsilon_{1i} + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\varepsilon^{ab} = \bar{\epsilon}_1^i \epsilon_2^j T_{ij}^{ab} + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\Lambda_K^a = \bar{\epsilon}_1^i \epsilon_2^j D_b T_{ij}^{ba} - \frac{3}{2} \bar{\epsilon}_2^i \gamma^a \epsilon_{1i} D + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\eta^i = 6\bar{\epsilon}_{[1}^i \epsilon_{2]}^j \chi_j$$

# Matter multiplets

- There is also an 8+8 tensor multiplet, on which the above algebra is realized, with field content  $G$  (A complex scalar),  $\phi^i$  ( $SU(2)$  doublet of chiral fermions),  $E_{\mu\nu}$  (A two form gauge field) and  $L_{ij}$  ( $SU(2)$  triplet of scalars with 'reality' condition  $L_{ij} = \epsilon_{ik}\epsilon_{jl}L^{kl}$ ,  $(L^{ij})^* = L_{ij}$ ).
- There are other 8+8 multiplets in  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  conformal supergravity, such as the vector multiplet, non-linear multiplet etc.
- The above matter multiplets can be used as compensator multiplets to obtain the physical Poincare supergravity.

# Story of the chiral multiplet: multiplet calculus

- There is a  $16+16$  components chiral multiplet which reduces to the  $8+8$  restricted chiral multiplet when a consistent set of  $8+8$  constraints are imposed.
- There is a chiral weight 0 complex triplet of scalars  $B_{ij}$ , which is constrained to satisfy a 'reality' condition.  $B_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ik}\varepsilon_{jl}B^{kl}$ . Other constraints can be obtained by supersymmetric variation of this constraint.
- The restricted chiral multiplet is equivalent to tensor (vector) multiplet. i.e. gauge invariant quantities of these multiplets can be embedded in the restricted chiral multiplet.

- This was used to write a superconformal action for the (improved) tensor multiplet, vector multiplet and the Weyl multiplet.
- Obtaining an action for one multiplet through an action for another multiplet is known as multiplet calculus.
- This allowed for constructions of minimal Poincare supergravity theories as well as construction of supersymmetric higher derivative actions.
- The study of all the off-shell representations of the superconformal algebra and the corresponding actions is interesting, in this context.

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# 24+24 matter multiplet: Real scalar multiplet

- Field content of the multiplet is given by

Table: Field content of the 24+24 multiplet

Field	SU(2) Irreps	Weyl weight (w)	Chiral weight (c)	Chirality
$\phi$	<b>1</b>	1	0	-
$S_a^i$	<b>3</b>	1	0	-
$E_{ij}$	<b>3</b>	1	-1	-
$C_{ijkl}$	<b>5</b>	2	0	-
$\Lambda_i$	<b>2</b>	1/2	+1/2	+1
$\Xi_{ijk}$	<b>4</b>	3/2	-1/2	+1

- It is the generalization of the flat space 24+24 multiplet constructed by Howe et al<sup>1</sup> to include coupling to conformal supergravity.

<sup>1</sup>P S Howe, K S Stelle, P K Townsend, Nucl. Phys. B 1983

# Field redefinitions to simplify the transformation rule

- The  $Q$ -transformation of the above multiplet is highly non-linear in the fields, although the field components are  $S$ -invariant except  $\Lambda^i$  which transforms as  $\delta_S \Lambda_i = -2\eta_i$ .
- $Q$  transformations are simplified by redefinition of the fields.
- Field content of the redefined multiplet is as follows.

**Table:** Field content of the redefined 24+24 multiplet

Field	SU(2) Irreps	Weyl weight (w)	Chiral weight (c)	Chirality
$V$	<b>1</b>	-2	0	-
$A_a^i{}_j$	<b>3</b>	-1	0	-
$K_{ij}$	<b>3</b>	-1	-1	-
$C_{ijkl}$	<b>5</b>	0	0	-
$\psi_i$	<b>2</b>	-3/2	+1/2	+1
$\xi_{ijk}$	<b>4</b>	3/2	-1/2	+1



$$\delta V = \bar{\epsilon}_k \psi^k + h.c. ,$$

$$\delta \psi^i = \not{D} V \epsilon^i - A^i_j \epsilon^j - 2K^{ij} \epsilon_j - 2V \eta^i ,$$

$$\delta K^{ij} = 2V \bar{\epsilon}^{(i} \chi^{j)} - \frac{2}{3} \bar{\epsilon}^{(i} \not{D} \psi^{j)} + \frac{1}{3} \bar{\epsilon}^k \xi_{lmk} \epsilon^{il} \epsilon^{jm} + \frac{1}{12} \bar{\epsilon}^{(i} \gamma \cdot T^- \psi_l \epsilon^{j)l} \\ - 2\bar{\eta}^{(i} \psi^{j)} ,$$

$$\delta A_a^i{}_j = V \bar{\epsilon}_j \gamma_a \chi^i + \frac{2}{3} \bar{\epsilon}_j \gamma_a \not{D} \psi^i - 2\bar{\epsilon}_j D_a \psi^i - \frac{1}{3} \epsilon^{li} \epsilon^{nk} \bar{\epsilon}_n \gamma_a \xi_{ljk} \\ + \frac{1}{24} \bar{\epsilon}_j \gamma_a \gamma \cdot T^- \psi_k \epsilon^{ik} - \bar{\eta}_j \gamma_a \psi^i - (h.c.; traceless) ,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta\xi_{ijk} &= \frac{3}{2}D_a A^{al}{}_{(i}\varepsilon_{j|m|}\varepsilon_{k)l}\epsilon^m - 3D_a A_b{}^l{}_{(i}\varepsilon_{j|m|}\varepsilon_{k)l}\gamma^{ab}\epsilon^m \\
&\quad - \frac{3}{2}V\gamma \cdot R(V)^l{}_{(i}\varepsilon_{j|m|}\varepsilon_{k)l}\epsilon^m + 6\mathcal{D}K^{lm}\epsilon_{(i}\varepsilon_{j|l|}\varepsilon_{k)m} - \mathcal{C}_{ijkl}\epsilon^l \\
&\quad - \frac{3}{4}\gamma \cdot T^-\epsilon^n K_{(ij}\varepsilon_{k)n} - \frac{3}{2}\bar{R}(Q)^l{}_{ab}\psi_{(i}\gamma^{ab}\epsilon^m\varepsilon_{j|l|}\varepsilon_{k)m} \\
&\quad - \frac{3}{2}\bar{\chi}^l\psi_{(i}\epsilon^m\varepsilon_{j|l|}\varepsilon_{k)m} + \frac{3}{2}\bar{\chi}^l\gamma_{ab}\psi_{(i}\gamma^{ab}\epsilon^m\varepsilon_{j|l|}\varepsilon_{k)m} \\
&\quad + \frac{3}{2}\bar{\chi}_{(i}\psi^l\epsilon^m\varepsilon_{j|l|}\varepsilon_{k)m} + 3\bar{\chi}^m\gamma_a\psi^l\gamma^a\epsilon_{(i}\varepsilon_{j|l|}\varepsilon_{k)m} \\
&\quad - 6K^{nm}\eta_{(i}\varepsilon_{j|n|}\varepsilon_{k)m} - 6A^m{}_{(i}\eta^n\varepsilon_{j|m|}\varepsilon_{k)n} , \\
\delta\mathcal{C}_{ijkl} &= \bar{\epsilon}_{(i}\tilde{\Gamma}_{jkl)} + \varepsilon_{im}\varepsilon_{jn}\varepsilon_{kp}\varepsilon_{lq}\bar{\epsilon}^{(m}\tilde{\Gamma}^{npq)} - 4\bar{\eta}_{(i}\xi_{jkl)} ,
\end{aligned}$$

where,

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_{ijk} = -2\mathcal{D}\xi_{ijk} + 12\chi_{(i}K^{lm}\varepsilon_{j|l|}\varepsilon_{k)m} .$$

# 8+8 restricted real scalar multiplet

- The multiplet is a 24+24 multiplet rather than the more common 8+8. Can we restrict this multiplet to obtain an 8+8 multiplet?
- In the 24+24 real scalar multiplet,  $E_{ij}$ , has chiral weight  $-1$ . Therefore, we can not impose the 'reality' condition on  $E_{ij}$ .
- However, we can impose the constraint  $E_{ij} = e^{-i\sigma/2} \mathcal{L}_{ij}$  where  $\mathcal{L}_{ij}$  are 'real'.
- This can be rephrased in the form  $\mathcal{R}_{ij} = \bar{E}_{ij} - e^{-i\sigma} E_{ij} = 0$  where  $\bar{E}_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ik} \varepsilon_{jl} E^{kl}$ .

- Supersymmetric variation of the above constraint gives us the full set of 16+16 constraints.
- We are left with a restricted real scalar multiplet with 8+8 degrees of freedom  $(\mathcal{L}_{ij}, \mathcal{H}_{abc}, \phi, \sigma, \Lambda^i)$
- This multiplet is equivalent to the 8+8 tensor multiplet. i.e. it contains the gauge invariant objects of the tensor multiplet.

# The 8+8 tensor multiplet

- Contains a complex scalar  $G$ , a triplet of 'real' scalars  $L_{ij}$  (reality condition  $L_{ij} = \varepsilon_{ik}\varepsilon_{jl}L^{kl}$  where  $(L_{ij})^* = L^{ij}$ ), a two form gauge field  $E_{\mu\nu}$  and a doublet of Majorana fermions  $\phi^i$ .
- The transformation rules are

$$\delta L_{ij} = 2\bar{\epsilon}_{(i}\varphi_{j)} + 2\varepsilon_{ik}\varepsilon_{jl}\bar{\epsilon}^{(k}\varphi^{l)} ,$$

$$\delta\varphi^i = \not{D}L^{ij}\epsilon_j + \not{H}\varepsilon^{ij}\epsilon_j - G\epsilon^i + 2L^{ij}\eta_j ,$$

$$\delta G = -2\bar{\epsilon}_i\not{D}\varphi^i - 6\bar{\epsilon}_i\chi_j L^{ij} + \frac{1}{4}\varepsilon^{ij}\bar{\epsilon}_i\gamma \cdot T^+\varphi_j + 2\bar{\eta}_i\varphi^i ,$$

$$\delta E_{\mu\nu} = i\bar{\epsilon}^i\gamma_{\mu\nu}\varphi^j\varepsilon_{ij} + 2iL_{ij}\varepsilon^{jk}\bar{\epsilon}^i\gamma_{[\mu}\psi_{\nu]k} + \text{h.c.} .$$

# Restricted real scalar multiplet = tensor multiplet

- Consider the following combinations of tensor multiplet fields,

$$\phi^4 = L^2$$

$$\Lambda^i = -2L^{-2}L^{ij}\varphi_j$$

$$E_{ij} = L^{-4}L_{ij}L^{kl}\bar{\varphi}_k\varphi_l - L^{-2}\bar{G}L_{ij}$$

$$S_a^i{}_j = 2L^{-2}H_aL^{ik}\varepsilon_{kj} + 4L^{-4}L^{ik}L_{jm}\bar{\varphi}^m\gamma_a\varphi_k - L^{-2}\bar{\varphi}^i\gamma_a\varphi_j \\ - \frac{1}{2}L^{-2}\delta_j^i\bar{\varphi}^m\gamma_a\varphi_m + L^{-2}\left(L^{ik}D_aL_{jk} - L_{jk}D_aL^{ik}\right)$$

$$\Xi_{ijk} = -24L^{-6}\varphi^lL^{mn}\bar{\varphi}_m\varphi_nL_{(ij}L_{k)l} + 6L^{-4}\varphi^l\bar{\varphi}_l\varphi_{(i}L_{jk)} \\ - 6L^{-4}L^{ln}\not{D}L_{l(i}L_{jk)}\varphi_n + 6L^{-4}L^{nm}\not{H}\varphi_nL_{(ij}\varepsilon_{k)m} \\ + 12L^{-4}\bar{G}L_{(ij}L_{k)l}\varphi^l + 6L^{-2}\not{D}\varphi_{(i}L_{jk)} + 18L^{-2}L_{(ij}L_{k)l}\chi^l \\ - \frac{3}{4}L^{-2}\gamma \cdot T^- \varphi^l L_{(ij}\varepsilon_{k)l}$$

$$C_{ijkl} = 6L^{-4}G\bar{G}L_{(ij}L_{kl)} + \dots$$



- These fields transform exactly like the real scalar multiplet fields, but with 8+8 off-shell degrees of freedom.
- From the above identification, one can read off the relation between the tensor multiplet fields and the restricted real scalar multiplet fields.

$$\begin{aligned}\phi^4 &= L^2 , \\ \Lambda^i &= -2L^{-2}L^{ij}\varphi_j , \\ e^{-i\sigma/2} &= \left( \frac{\mathcal{Z}}{\bar{\mathcal{Z}}} \right)^{1/2} , \\ \mathcal{L}_{ij} &= |\mathcal{Z}| L_{ij} , \\ \mathcal{H}_a &\sim H_a , \quad \text{Up to fermion bilinears .} \\ \mathcal{Z} &= L^{-4}L^{kl}\bar{\varphi}_k\varphi_l - L^{-2}\bar{G} .\end{aligned}$$

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# Action for the 24+24 multiplet and multiplet calculus: Work in progress

- As the 24+24 multiplet admits a tensor multiplet embedding, this enables us to do multiplet calculus.
- Can we construct combinations of the real scalar multiplet fields to obtain a chiral multiplet?
- $\hat{A} = E_{ij} E_{kl} \varepsilon^{ik} \varepsilon^{jl}$  is a chiral field. Further variation gives the other chiral multiplet components.
- This gives us a higher derivative action for the tensor multiplet.
- This is the same action one would obtain for the tensor multiplet from the chiral density formula.
- Can we develop a density formula for the real scalar multiplet, independent of the chiral multiplet.
- The answer appears to be yes. (Work in progress).

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# Motivation: Dilaton Weyl multiplet in five dimensions

- In  $d = 6$  and  $5$ , it was found that there is not one, but two possible Weyl multiplets.
- The new Weyl multiplet constructed had a dilaton field with Weyl weight  $+1$ , and hence was called dilaton Weyl multiplet.
- Two routes to construction of dilaton Weyl multiplet in five dimensions<sup>2</sup>:
  - a) Multiplet of supercurrents of a non conformal rigid supersymmetry multiplet - vector multiplet in five dimensions.
  - b) Coupling the improved vector multiplet to conformal supergravity.
- In four dimensions, the second route gives a  $24+24$  dilaton Weyl multiplet<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>2</sup>E Bergshoeff, S Cucu, M Derix, T de Wit, R Halbersma, A van Proyen, JHEP 2001

<sup>3</sup>D Butter, SH, I Lodato, B Sahoo, JHEP, 2018

# Current multiplet method

- Compute the multiplet of supercurrents for a rigid supersymmetry multiplet.
- Couple the supercurrents to fields to obtain the linearized supersymmetry transformations.
- Complete the non-linear supersymmetry transformations using the superconformal algebra.
- A non-conformal multiplet has an energy momentum tensor with a non zero trace. This can be coupled to a scalar field which can be interpreted as the dilaton.
- But the action for rigid vector multiplet in four dimensions is conformal. However the rigid tensor multiplet action is non-conformal in four dimensions.

- Transformation rules for the rigid tensor multiplet on substitution of the equation of motion for the auxiliary field  $G$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\delta E_{\mu\nu} &= i\bar{\epsilon}^i \gamma_{\mu\nu} \phi^j \epsilon_{ij} + \text{h.c.} , \\ \delta \phi^i &= \not{\phi} L^{ij} \epsilon_j + \epsilon^{ij} \not{H} \epsilon_j , \\ \delta L^{ij} &= 2\bar{\epsilon}^{(i} \phi^{j)} + 2\epsilon^{ik} \epsilon^{jl} \bar{\epsilon}_{(k} \phi_{l)} .\end{aligned}$$

- Action for the tensor multiplet

$$S = \int d^4x \left[ H_\mu H^\mu - \bar{\phi}^i \overleftrightarrow{\not{\phi}} \phi_i - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu L^{ij} \partial^\mu L^{ij} \right] ,$$

where  $H^\mu$  is the Hodge dual of the three form field strength.

- The above action is not conformal.

- 48+48 component multiplet of supercurrents for the above action:  
 $\theta_{\mu\nu}, \sigma, v_{\mu}^i, t_{\mu}^{ij}, a_{\mu}, b_{\mu\nu}^-, \tilde{a}_{\mu}, e_{ij}, d, c_{ijkl}, J_{\mu i}, \lambda_i, \xi^i, \Sigma_{ijk}$  [D Butter, S Kuzenko, 2010]
- Couple the currents to fields via a first order action.

$$S = \int d^4x \left[ \frac{1}{2} \theta^{\mu\nu} h_{\mu\nu} + \sigma \varphi + d \mathcal{D} + \frac{1}{24} c^{ijkl} C_{ijkl} + \frac{1}{4} b_{\mu\nu}^- T^{-\mu\nu} \right. \\ \left. - 2 v_{\mu}^i V^{\mu j}_i + e^{ij} E_{ij} + 4 a_{\mu} A^{\mu} + (t_{\mu}^i_j - v_{\mu}^i_j) S^{\mu j}_i + 2 \bar{J}_{\mu i} \psi^{\mu i} + \bar{\lambda}_i \Lambda^i \right. \\ \left. + \bar{\xi}_i \zeta^i + \frac{1}{3} \bar{\Sigma}_{ijk} \Xi^{ijk} + \tilde{a}_{\mu} \tilde{A}^{\mu} + \text{h.c.} \right].$$

- Demand the invariance of the action to obtain linearized transformation of the fields.
- Conservation of a current  $\implies$  gauge symmetry of a field.



- We obtain the linearized transformation rules for 48+48 component multiplet of fields which contains a real scalar of Weyl weight  $+1$ .
- Is this multiplet reducible? i.e. can we decouple this into two or more multiplets by use of field redefinitions.
- Assumption: Such a redefinition should be apparent even at the linearised level.

- A  $24+24$  standard Weyl multiplet decouples and we are left with a  $24+24$  matter multiplet coupled to the standard Weyl multiplet.
- The matter multiplet contains the real scalar field with Weyl weight  $+1$ .
- Use the superconformal algebra to complete the supersymmetric variations of the  $24+24$  matter multiplet.

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# Dilaton Weyl multiplet in four dimensions

- A 24+24 Weyl multiplet which contains a dilaton, hence named Dilaton Weyl multiplet. Independent fields are  $e_\mu^a$ ,  $\psi_\mu^i$ ,  $b_\mu$ ,  $A_\mu$ ,  $\mathcal{V}_\mu^{ij}$ ,  $X$ ,  $W_\mu$ ,  $\tilde{W}_\mu$ ,  $\Omega_i$ .
- The transformation rule is given by

$$\delta e_\mu^a = \bar{\epsilon}^i \gamma^a \psi_{\mu i} + \text{h.c}$$

$$\delta \psi_\mu^i = 2\mathcal{D}_\mu \epsilon^i - \frac{1}{8} \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{X}^{-1} \gamma_\mu (\mathcal{F}^- + i\mathcal{G}^-) \gamma_\mu \epsilon_j - \gamma_\mu \eta^i$$

$$\delta b_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\epsilon}^i \phi_{\mu i} - \frac{1}{4} X^{-1} \bar{\epsilon}^i \gamma_\mu \not{D} \Omega_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\eta}^i \psi_{\mu i} + \text{h.c} + \Lambda_K^a e_{\mu a}$$

$$\delta A_\mu = \frac{i}{2} \bar{\epsilon}^i \phi_{\mu i} + \frac{i}{2} X^{-1} \bar{\epsilon}^i \gamma_\mu \not{D} \Omega_i + \frac{i}{2} \bar{\eta}^i \psi_{\mu i} + \text{h.c}$$

$$\delta \mathcal{V}_\mu^{ij} = 2\bar{\epsilon}_j \phi_\mu^i - \bar{X}^{-1} \bar{\epsilon}_j \gamma_\mu \not{D} \Omega^i + 2\bar{\eta}_j \psi_\mu^i - (\text{h.c}; \text{ traceless})$$



$$\begin{aligned}\delta X &= \bar{\epsilon}^i \Omega_i \\ \delta \Omega_i &= 2 \not{D} X \epsilon_i + \frac{1}{4} \epsilon_{ij} \gamma \cdot \mathcal{F} \epsilon^j - \frac{i}{4} \epsilon_{ij} \gamma \cdot \mathcal{G}^- \epsilon^j + 2X \eta_i \\ \delta W_\mu &= \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{\epsilon}_i \gamma_\mu \Omega_j + 2\varepsilon_{ij} \bar{X} \bar{\epsilon}^i \psi_\mu^j + \text{h.c} \\ \delta \tilde{W}_\mu &= i\varepsilon^{ij} \bar{\epsilon}_i \gamma_\mu \Omega_j - 2i\varepsilon_{ij} \bar{X} \bar{\epsilon}^i \psi_\mu^j + \text{h.c}\end{aligned}$$

- Fields should satisfy the constraint

$$X D^2 \bar{X} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Omega}^k \not{D} \Omega_k + \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F} \cdot \mathcal{F}^+ + \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{G} \cdot \mathcal{G}^+ - \text{h.c} = 0 \quad (1)$$

We can solve this constraint for a three-form gauge field where the constraint appears as the Bianchi identity.

- i.e. define

$$X \bar{X} D_a \log \frac{X}{\bar{X}} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Omega}^k \gamma_a \Omega_k = \frac{1}{3!} \varepsilon_{abcd} H^{bcd} .$$

- The constraint now becomes a Bianchi identity and reads,

$$D_{[a}H_{bcd]} = \frac{3}{8}F_{[ab}F_{cd]} + \frac{3}{8}G_{[ab}G_{cd]}$$

- We get

$$\delta e_{\mu}^a = \bar{\epsilon}^i \gamma^a \psi_{\mu i} + \text{h.c.} - \Lambda_D e_{\mu}^a + \Lambda_M^{ab} e_{\mu b}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \psi_{\mu}^i &= 2\mathcal{D}_{\mu} \epsilon^i - \frac{1}{16} \varepsilon^{ij} \bar{X}^{-1} \gamma \cdot (\mathcal{F}^- + i\mathcal{G}^-) \gamma_{\mu} \epsilon_j - \gamma_{\mu} \eta^i - \frac{1}{2} \Lambda_D \psi_{\mu}^i \\ &\quad - \frac{i}{2} \Lambda_A \psi_{\mu}^i + \Lambda^i_j \psi_{\mu}^j + \frac{1}{4} \Lambda_M^{ab} \gamma_{ab} \psi_{\mu}^i \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta b_{\mu} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\epsilon}^i \phi_{\mu i} - \frac{1}{4} X^{-1} \bar{\epsilon}^i \gamma_{\mu} \not{D} \Omega_i - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\eta}^i \psi_{\mu i} + \text{h.c.} + \Lambda_K^a e_{\mu a} + \partial_{\mu} \Lambda_D$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \mathcal{V}_{\mu}^i_j &= 2\bar{\epsilon}_j \phi_{\mu}^i - \bar{X}^{-1} \bar{\epsilon}_j \gamma_{\mu} \not{D} \Omega^i + 2\bar{\eta}_j \psi_{\mu}^i - (\text{h.c.; traceless}) - 2\partial_{\mu} \Lambda^i_j \\ &\quad + \Lambda^i_k \mathcal{V}_{\mu}^k_j - \Lambda^k_j \mathcal{V}_{\mu}^i_k \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta X = \bar{\epsilon}^i \Omega_i + (\Lambda_D - i\Lambda_A) X$$



$$\delta\Omega_i = 2 \not{D}X\epsilon_i + \frac{1}{4}\epsilon_{ij}\gamma \cdot \mathcal{F}\epsilon^j - \frac{i}{4}\epsilon_{ij}\gamma \cdot \mathcal{G}^-\epsilon^j + 2X\eta_i$$

$$+ \left( \frac{3}{2}\Lambda_D - \frac{i}{2}\Lambda_A \right) \Omega_i - \Lambda^j{}_i\Omega_j + \frac{1}{4}\Lambda_M^{ab}\gamma_{ab}\Omega_i$$

$$\delta W_\mu = \varepsilon^{ij}\bar{\epsilon}_i\gamma_\mu\Omega_j + 2\varepsilon_{ij}\bar{X}\bar{\epsilon}^i\psi_\mu^j + \text{h.c.} + \partial_\mu\lambda$$

$$\delta\tilde{W}_\mu = i\varepsilon^{ij}\bar{\epsilon}_i\gamma_\mu\Omega_j - 2i\varepsilon_{ij}\bar{X}\bar{\epsilon}^i\psi_\mu^j + \text{h.c.} + \partial_\mu\tilde{\lambda}$$

$$\delta B_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}W_{[\mu}\delta_Q W_{\nu]} + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{W}_{[\mu}\delta_Q \tilde{W}_{\nu]} + \bar{X}\bar{\epsilon}^i\gamma_{\mu\nu}\Omega_i + X\bar{\epsilon}_i\gamma_{\mu\nu}\Omega^i$$

$$+ 2X\bar{X}\bar{\epsilon}^i\gamma_{[\mu}\psi_{\nu]}{}_i + 2X\bar{X}\bar{\epsilon}_i\gamma_{[\mu}\psi_{\nu]}^i + 2\partial_{[\mu}\Lambda_{\nu]} - \frac{\lambda}{4}F_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\tilde{\lambda}}{4}G_{\mu\nu}$$

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# Conclusions

- We have obtained a 24+24 matter multiplet in  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  conformal supergravity in four dimensions by following the current multiplet procedure for the rigid on-shell tensor multiplet.
- This is the generalization of Howe, Stelle, Townsend's flat space multiplet to include coupling to conformal supergravity.
- We can impose 16+16 constraints on the real scalar multiplet to obtain a 8+8 restricted multiplet.
- This restricted multiplet is equivalent to the tensor multiplet.
- Thus the real scalar multiplet is similar to the chiral multiplet, which allowed for a formulation of superconformal tensor calculus.
- We have obtained the 24+24 dilaton Weyl multiplet in four dimensional  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  conformal supergravity.

# Future directions

- Compute the action for the  $24+24$  real scalar multiplet.
- This would allow us to write new superconformal invariant action for the tensor multiplet.
- This could potentially lead to new higher derivative invariants in Poincare supergravity.
- Can vector multiplet and Weyl multiplet be embedded in the real scalar multiplet?
- Off-shell dimensional reduction of the dilaton Weyl multiplet from five to four dimensions
- This will allow to write all curvature squared invariants in four dimensions in terms of the dilaton Weyl multiplet.