

Anomaly Mediation from Unbroken SUGRA

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- New to this work: goldstino couplings, AdS ‘soft terms’
- In global SUSY, would expect columns to be identical!

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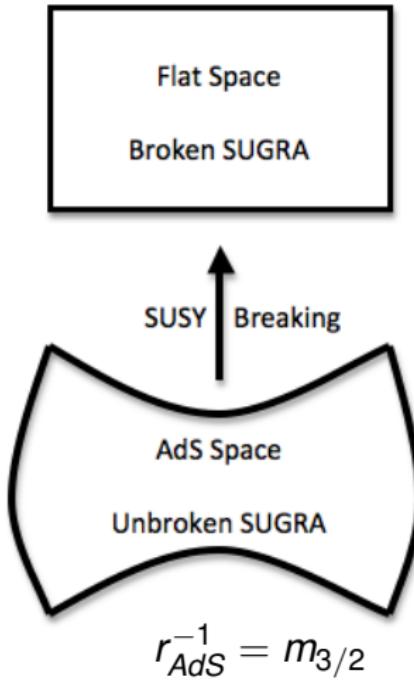
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Two order parameters of SUGRA

- F/M_{Pl}
 - Breaks SUSY.
- $m_{3/2} = r_{AdS}^{-1}$
 - Gravitino mass parameter (in Lagrangian)
 - Order parameter for R -symmetry breaking
 - Does *not* break SUSY!
- If fine-tune to remove cosmological constant:
 - $F/M_{Pl} = \sqrt{3}m_{3/2}$
 - In flat space: easy to confuse SUSY-breaking and SUSY-preserving effects.

Surprise 1: SUSY in AdS

Mass Splittings in Unbroken SUSY

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SUSY Breaking: SUGRA

- Need SUSY-breaking. At the very least:
 - Flat Space
 - No $-2m_{3/2}^2$ scalar masses
- Goldstino \tilde{G}_L
 - Goldstone fermion of SUSY
 - Couplings proportional to SUSY-breaking effects
- Super-Higgs Mechanism
 - Gravitino ψ_μ ‘eats’ goldstino degrees of freedom.
- Goldstino Equivalence Theorem
 - longitudinally polarized gravitino couplings = goldstino couplings for $E \gg m_{3/2}$
- Goldstino couplings probe rigid AdS structure:

Tree-Level: B -terms, Universal goldstino couplings

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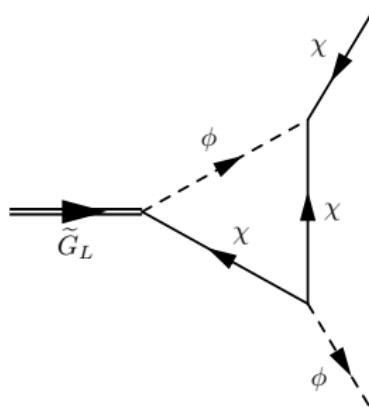
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Universal Goldstino coupling to scalars

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{2m_{3/2}^2}{F} \tilde{G}_L \chi \phi^*$$

- Universal: same for all fields
- RG stable: no loop corrections
- Diagrams cancel on \tilde{G}_L , ψ_μ equations of motion



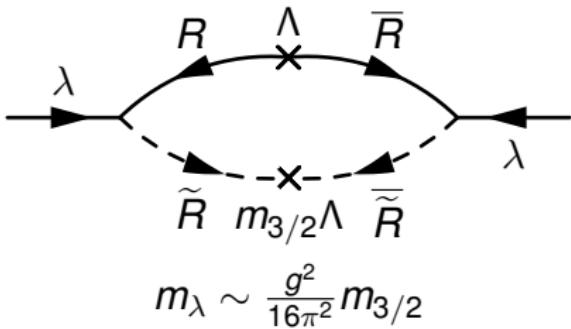
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Anomaly-Mediated SUSY-Breaking...

...does not break SUSY!

Loop Level: Regulator B -terms and Anomaly Mediation

- Regulate the theory using e.g. Pauli-Villars
- Regulators have B -terms (as in AdS)!
 - $B = -m_{3/2}\Lambda$
 - No goldstino coupling!
- Finite "SUSY-breaking" effects at loop level
 - Gaugino masses
 - A-terms
 - Scalar masses
- Happens in both AdS and flat space!
 - No goldstino couplings!



Results

- Flat Space:

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- Scaling Dimension of $\mathbf{Q}^\dagger \mathbf{Q}$

Surprise 3:

Anomaly Mediation can be derived without having to worry about anomalies or regulators!

Superspace 1PI Effective Action

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} \sim & \int d^2\theta 2\mathcal{E} \mathbf{W}^\alpha \mathbf{S}(\tilde{\square}) \mathbf{W}_\alpha \\ & + \int d^4\theta \mathbf{E} \mathbf{Q}^\dagger \mathbf{Z}(\tilde{\square}) \mathbf{Q}\end{aligned}$$

- 1PI Effective Action
- SUGRA (and super-Weyl) invariant.
- No need to worry about regulators!
- No super-Weyl anomaly to worry about!
- $\tilde{\square}$: picks out renormalization scale μ^2

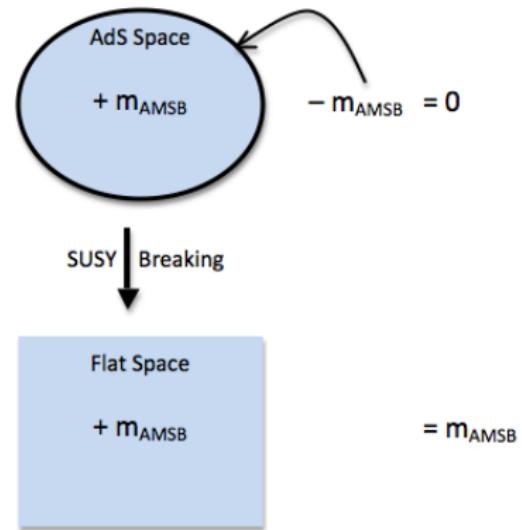
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- $\tilde{\square}$: SUGRA, super-Weyl covariant version of μ^2 .
 - Reduces to \square in global flat-space SUSY
 - Many possible ansätze, all yield same result
- $\mathbf{Z}(\tilde{\square})$, $\mathbf{S}(\tilde{\square})$ contain anomaly mediation:
 - $[Q, P_m] \neq 0$
 - $(\square \mathbf{V})|_{\theta^2} \neq \square(\mathbf{V}|_{\theta^2})$
- Compare unbroken AdS to flat space
 - Yields goldstino couplings (measures SUSY breaking)
 - Generalizes usual AMSB results to arbitrary curvature.

Prospects

- Non-local terms in 1PI action
 - $\mathcal{T}(F^* \square^{-1} F + i\chi^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \mathcal{D}_\mu \square^{-1} \chi)$
- AdS Boundary effects
 - cf. Gripaios et al. 2008
- 1PI Gaugino Masses beyond 1 loop.



Summary

- Two ‘order parameters’ in SUGRA: F/M_{Pl} and $m_{3/2} = r_{AdS}^{-1}$
 - Only F/M_{Pl} breaks SUSY!
- Unbroken SUGRA is SUSY in AdS
 - $[Q, P_\mu] \neq 0$
 - “soft masses” in unbroken SUSY with no goldstino couplings
- Anomaly Mediation arises from the infrared structure of AdS
 - Not a SUSY-breaking effect
 - Follows from AdS superspace 1PI action
 - Don’t have to consider anomaly.