

Grassmann analyticity and extension of supersymmetry

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The concept of analyticity of Grassmann spinor variables is introduced. It is shown that this concept makes it possible to realize $N = 2$ supersymmetry on the ordinary, complex, $N = 1$ superpole outside the mass shell.

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1. The Majorana spinor is regarded as a real Grassmann variable in the theory of supersymmetries

$$\Theta_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \Theta \\ -\bar{\Theta}^\alpha \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Theta = C \bar{\Theta}^T, \quad (1)$$

where Θ_α and $\bar{\Theta}^\alpha$ are adjoint Weyl spinors and C is the charge-conjugation matrix. A direct approach in the extended N supersymmetries gives N Grassmann variables. A simple superfield $\Phi(x, \Theta^1, \Theta^2, \dots, \Theta^N)$ contains 2^{4N} field components.

We shall introduce the concept of Grassmann analyticity and demonstrate that the number of Grassmann variables can be reduced with its help by using a simple example of $N = 2$ supersymmetry. The Cauchy-Riemann analyticity condition

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) f(x, y) = 0$$

has the following analog for Grassmann variables:

$$\left(\tilde{D}_\alpha^\Theta + i \tilde{D}_\alpha^\eta \right) \Phi(x, \Theta, \eta) = 0, \quad (2)$$

where $\tilde{D}_\alpha^\Theta (\tilde{D}_\alpha^\eta)$ is a covariant spinor derivative of the Grassmann variable $\Theta (\eta)$. This condition, which represents the superpole's "independence" of the Θ - $i\eta$ variable, makes it possible to turn to the complex scalar superpole of a single Grassman variable $V(x, \Theta)$. We should point out that the condition (2) was used in the two-dimensional case in the theory of supersymmetric strings.¹ Further, the chirality is explained the same way as analyticity in the ordinary $N = 1$ supersymmetry. In fact, the chirality

$$\tilde{D}_\alpha \Psi(x, \Theta) = 0 \quad (3)$$

means that $\Psi(x, \Theta)$ depends only on the left-handed Weyl spinor Θ^α and is independent of the right-handed adjoint spinor $\bar{\Theta}^\alpha$. The solution of Eq. (3) (see, for example, Ref. 2) is

$$\Psi(x, \Theta) = a(x_L) + \Theta^\alpha \Psi_\alpha(x_L) + \Theta^\alpha \Theta_a b(x_L), \quad \dot{x}_L^a = x^a + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Theta} \gamma^a \gamma_5 \Theta, \quad (4)$$

The solution of the analyticity condition (2) given below will be used for reducing the superpole of the two Majorana Grassmann variables to the superpole defined by a single Grassmann variable.

2. We proceed to our problem. We arrived at Grassmann analyticity by starting from the known fact that the complexified $N = 1$ supermultiplets in the mass shell are $N = 2$ -supersymmetry representations with a central charge (see, for example, Ref. 3). This also seems to apply to superfields outside the mass shell. We now consider the complex superfield $V(x, \Theta)$. Its expansion in the terms

$$\begin{aligned} V(x, \Theta) = & \frac{1}{m} M(x) - i \bar{\Theta} \frac{\Psi^2}{m}(x) + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Theta} \Theta \frac{P^{12}}{m}(x) + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Theta} \gamma_5 \Theta S(x) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Theta} i \gamma^a \gamma_5 \Theta V_a(x) + \bar{\Theta} \Theta \bar{\Theta} \left[\Psi^1(x) - \frac{1}{2m} \not{\partial} \Psi^2(x) \right] + \frac{1}{4} (\bar{\Theta} \Theta)^2 \\ & \times \left[i P^{11}(x) - \left(\frac{\square}{2m} + m \right) M(x) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

includes the complex vector and scalar fields $V_a(x)$, $M(x)$, and $S(x)$, which produce the $O(2)$ singlets; $P^{ij}(x)$ is a complex, spurless, symmetric tensor $O(2)$ and $\Psi^i(x)$ - $O(2)$ is a doublet of the Dirac spinors. The action for $V(x, \Theta)$

$$\begin{aligned} S = & \int d^4x d^4\Theta \frac{1}{2} V^*(x, \Theta) \left[\square + \frac{(\bar{D}D)^2}{16} + m^2 \right] V(x, \Theta) = \quad (6a) \\ = & \int d^4x \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} F_{ab}^*(x) F^{ab}(x) + m^2 V_a^*(x) V^a(x) + \partial_a M^*(x) \partial^a M(x) - m^2 M^*(x) M(x) \right. \\ & \left. + m^2 S^*(x) S(x) + \frac{1}{2} P^{ij*}(x) P^{ij}(x) + i \bar{\Psi}^k(x) \not{\partial} \Psi^k(x) + i m \epsilon^{kl} \bar{\Psi}^k(x) \Psi^l(x) \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (6b)$$

is invariant with respect to the $O(2)$ -supersymmetry transformations

$$\begin{aligned} \delta V_a = & \bar{\epsilon}^k i \gamma_a \gamma_5 \Psi^k + \frac{i}{m} \epsilon^{kl} \bar{\epsilon}^k \gamma_5 \partial_a \Psi^l, \\ \delta \Psi^i = & i P^{ij} \epsilon^j + \left(-m M + \frac{i}{2} \sigma_{ab} \gamma_5 F^{ab} \right) \epsilon^i \\ & + \epsilon^{ik} \left(-im \gamma_5 S + m \gamma^a \gamma_5 V_a - \not{\partial} M \right) \epsilon^k, \end{aligned} \quad (7a)$$

$$\delta M = -i \epsilon^{ij} \bar{\epsilon}^i \Psi^j, \quad \delta S = \bar{\epsilon}^i \gamma_5 \Psi^i - \epsilon^{kl} \bar{\epsilon}^k \gamma_5 \frac{\partial}{m} \Psi^l,$$

$$\delta P^{ij} = -\bar{\epsilon}^i (\not{\partial} \Psi^j + m \Psi^k \epsilon^{jk}) + \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ij} \bar{\epsilon}^l (\not{\partial} \Psi^l + m \Psi^k \epsilon^{lk}) + (i \leftrightarrow j). \quad (7b)$$

$F_{ab} = \partial_a V_b - \partial_b V_a$, $\epsilon^{12} = -\epsilon^{21} = 1 = \partial = \partial^m \gamma_m$ in these formulas and the indices of the internal symmetry were intentionally written on one level in order to emphasize that we are now dealing with $O(2)$ rather than with $SU(2)$. The parameter of the ordinary supersymmetry is represented by $\bar{\epsilon}^1$ and the parameter of the second supersymmetry is $\bar{\epsilon}^2$. These transformations are written in the superfield form as follows:

$$\delta V = -i \bar{\epsilon}^i Q^i V$$

moreover,

$$Q_{\beta}^{-1} = i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\Theta} \beta} - (\not{\partial} \Theta)_{\beta}, \quad (8a)$$

$$Q_{\beta}^2 = -2 m \Theta_{\beta} + \frac{1}{4m} \bar{D} D D_{\beta}; \quad \left(D_{\beta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\Theta} \beta} - i (\not{\partial} \Theta)_{\beta} \right) \quad (8b)$$

and

$$\{ \bar{Q}^i, Q^k \} = 2 \delta^{ik} \gamma^a P_a + 2 i \epsilon^{ik} Z. \quad (9)$$

It is important that our $O(2)$ superalgebra has a central charge Z proportional to the mass

$$ZV = mV, \quad ZV^* = -mV^*. \quad (10)$$

Like the electric charge, it has opposite values for the particles and antiparticles. It is somewhat surprising that there is a term with three spinor derivatives in Eq. (8b). We shall show that these transformations occur naturally.

3. We shall analyze the complex superfield $\Phi(x, \Theta, \eta)$, which satisfies the Cauchy-Riemann condition (2), i.e., it is analytic. The supersymmetry generators for it, which are defined in the form

$$Q_{\alpha}^1 = i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\Theta}^{\alpha}} - (\not{\partial} \Theta)_{\alpha}, \quad Q_{\alpha}^2 = i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\eta}^{\alpha}} - (\not{\partial} \eta)_{\alpha} - 2 \Theta_{\alpha} Z \quad (11)$$

satisfy the commutation relations (9). The influence of Z on Φ and Φ^* is defined as in (10) with the substitution of Φ for V . Thus, the operators of the spinor derivatives in the condition (2) can be written as follows:

$$\tilde{D}_{\alpha}^{\Theta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\Theta}^{\alpha}} - i (\not{\partial} \Theta)_{\alpha} + 2 i \eta_{\alpha} Z, \quad \tilde{D}_{\alpha}^{\eta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\eta}^{\alpha}} - i (\not{\partial} \eta)_{\alpha}. \quad (12)$$

The Cauchy-Riemann condition can be resolved [analog (4)]:

$$\Phi(x, \Theta, \eta) = e^{-m\bar{\eta}\eta} \phi(x^m - \bar{\Theta} \gamma^m \eta, \Theta + i\eta) \quad (13a)$$

$$= e^{-m\bar{\eta}\eta} e^{-\bar{\Theta} \not{\partial} \eta} e^{i\bar{\eta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\Theta}}} \phi(x, \Theta). \quad (13b)$$

It appears that the superfield $V(x, \Theta)$ introduced above can be expressed in terms of $\phi(x, \Theta)$ in the following way:

$$V(x, \Theta) = \phi(x, \Theta) + \frac{1}{4m} \bar{D}D \phi(x, \Theta). \quad (14)$$

Thus,

$$\delta \Phi(x, \Theta, \eta) = -i \epsilon^i Q^i \Phi(x, \Theta, \eta) \quad (15)$$

correspond exactly to the transformations (8) for $V(x, \Theta)$. It is interesting that the action (6) can be written in the form

$$S = \frac{1}{32} \int d^4x d^4\Theta d^4\eta \Phi^*(x, \Theta, \eta) \Phi(x, \Theta, \eta) \quad (16a)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x d^4\Theta \phi^*(x, \Theta) \left[\square + \frac{(\bar{D}D)^2}{8} + \frac{m}{2} \bar{D}D + m^2 \right] \phi(x, \Theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x d^4\Theta V^*(x, \Theta) \left[\square + \frac{(\bar{D}D)^2}{16} + m^2 \right] V(x, \Theta). \quad (16b)$$

The representation (16) demonstrates the existence of a strong analogy with the ordinary chiral Lagrangian.

4. The representation (13a) suggests a presence of "analytic" and "antianalytic" bases

$$x^m - \bar{\Theta} \gamma^m \eta, \quad \Theta + i\eta, \quad (17a)$$

$$x^m + \bar{\Theta} \gamma^m \eta, \quad \Theta - i\eta, \quad (17b)$$

which resemble the right-hand and the left-hand bases in $N = 1$ (Ref. 4) and which are transformed into them as $\eta \rightarrow \gamma_5^{\Theta} \eta$ [with an appropriate change in the x scale because of differentiation of Eq. (2)]. In fact, (17a) and (17b) form invariant spaces of the $N = 2$ supersymmetry. It is expected that $N = 2$ supergravitation, which does not contain external constraints and is analogous to that proposed for $N = 1$ in Ref. 4, can be formulated. To do this, $O(2)$ must first be expanded to $SU(2)$ and the analytic properties of the supermultiplets in Ref. 5 must be analyzed. We can assume that there is an internal coupling with the systems of hypercomplex numbers in the case of higher supersymmetries.⁶

We have verified that the hypercomplex coordinates

$$\tilde{x}^m = x^m + i\bar{\Theta} \gamma^m \eta_k e_k - \frac{i}{2} \bar{\eta}_k \gamma^m \eta_l f_{klp} e_p, \quad \tilde{\Theta} = \Theta + e_k \eta_k$$

$$(e_k e_l = -\delta_{kl} + f_{klp} e_p) \quad (18)$$

form invariant spaces of the $N = 4$ supersymmetry (e_k are the quaternion units) and of the $N = 8$ supersymmetry (e_k are the octave units). These problems will be discussed in our future papers.

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