

On full supergravity

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Action:
$$S = \int_M \sqrt{|g|} e^{-2\varphi} \left(R + 4|\nabla\varphi|^2 - \frac{1}{12} H_{\mu\nu\rho} H^{\mu\nu\rho} + \frac{1}{4} \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \bar{\psi}^\mu \nabla \psi_\mu + \rho \nabla \rho \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \bar{\chi} \nabla_A \chi - 2\bar{\psi}^\mu \nabla_\mu \rho + \frac{1}{4} \bar{\psi}^\mu \not{H} \psi_\mu - \frac{1}{4} \bar{\rho} \not{H} \rho - \frac{1}{8} \text{Tr} \bar{\chi} \not{H} \chi \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} H_{\mu\nu\rho} \bar{\psi}^\mu \gamma^\nu \psi^\rho + \frac{1}{4} \bar{\psi}^\mu H_{\mu\nu\rho} \gamma^{\nu\rho} \rho + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \bar{\chi} \not{F} \rho + \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu} \bar{\psi}^\mu \gamma^\nu \chi \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{384} (\bar{\psi}_\mu \gamma_{\nu\rho\sigma} \psi^\mu) (\bar{\rho} \gamma^{\nu\rho\sigma} \rho) - \frac{1}{768} (\bar{\rho} \gamma^{\mu\nu\rho} \rho) \text{Tr}(\bar{\chi} \gamma_{\mu\nu\rho} \chi) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{192} (\bar{\psi}_\mu \gamma_{\rho\sigma\tau} \psi^\mu) (\bar{\psi}_\nu \gamma^{\rho\sigma\tau} \psi^\nu) + \frac{1}{192} (\bar{\psi}_\mu \gamma_{\nu\rho\sigma} \psi^\mu) \text{Tr}(\bar{\chi} \gamma^{\nu\rho\sigma} \chi) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{768} \text{Tr}(\bar{\chi} \gamma_{\mu\nu\rho} \chi) \text{Tr}(\bar{\chi} \gamma^{\mu\nu\rho} \chi) \right)$$

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$$\delta g_{\mu\nu} = \bar{\epsilon} \gamma_{(\mu} \psi_{\nu)}$$

$$\delta B_{\mu\nu} = \bar{\epsilon} \gamma_{[\mu} \psi_{\nu]} - \text{Tr } A_{[\mu} \bar{\epsilon} \gamma_{\nu]} \chi$$

$$\delta A_\mu = -\frac{1}{2} \bar{\epsilon} \gamma_\mu \chi$$

$$\delta \varphi = \frac{1}{4} \bar{\rho} \epsilon - \frac{1}{4} \bar{\psi}^\mu \gamma_\mu \epsilon$$

$$\delta \rho = -\not{V} \epsilon + (\nabla_\mu \varphi) \gamma^\mu \epsilon + \frac{1}{4} \not{H} \epsilon + \frac{1}{96} (\bar{\psi}_\mu \gamma_{\nu\rho\sigma} \psi^\mu) \gamma^{\nu\rho\sigma} \epsilon + \frac{1}{4} (\bar{\rho} \epsilon) \rho - \frac{1}{192} \text{Tr}(\bar{\chi} \gamma_{\mu\nu\rho} \chi) \gamma^{\mu\nu\rho} \epsilon$$

$$\delta \psi_\mu = \nabla_\mu \epsilon - \frac{1}{8} H_{\mu\nu\rho} \gamma^{\nu\rho} \epsilon - \frac{1}{4} (\bar{\psi}_\mu \rho) \epsilon - \frac{1}{4} (\bar{\psi}_\mu \gamma_\nu \epsilon) \gamma^\nu \rho + \frac{1}{4} (\bar{\rho} \epsilon) \psi_\mu$$

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[Bergshoeff–de Roo–de Wit–van Nieuwenhuizen '82] [Chapline–Manton '83]

[Dine–Rohm–Seiberg–Witten '85]

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- Nonzero half-density $\sigma \in \Gamma(H)$
 - $\rightsquigarrow$ encodes the dilaton φ via $\sigma^2 = \sqrt{|g|} e^{-2\varphi}$

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- generalised gravitino $\psi \in \Gamma(\Pi S_- \otimes C_- \otimes H) \rightsquigarrow$ corresponds to ψ and χ
- supersymmetry parameter $\epsilon \in \Gamma(\Pi S_- \otimes H)$

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Conclusions and remarks

- Completion of the program of writing supergravity via generalised geometry.
- Allows the check of supersymmetry by *hand*.
- Simplification even when returning back to ordinary variables (only γ_{abc}).
- Confirmation that gen. geometry provides natural variables for string massless sector.
- Generalised Lichnerowicz identity: $\not{D}^2 + D^\alpha D_\alpha = -\frac{1}{8} \mathcal{R}$ on spinor half-densities
- Case $\mathcal{G} = 1 \rightsquigarrow$ dilatonic gravity (topological locally supersymmetric theory for σ & ρ)
- Case $M = \{*\} \rightsquigarrow$ finite-dimensional toy model of supergravity