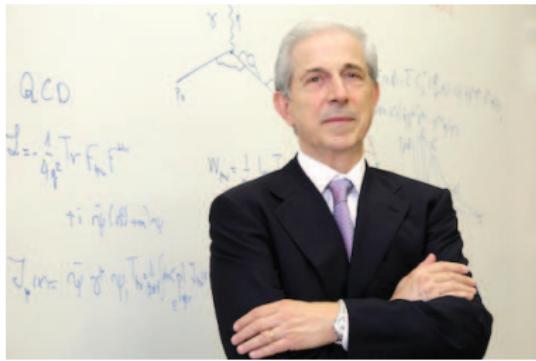


# New horizons with Non-linear supersymmetry

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# Outline

- Motivations
- Non-linear SUSY and the goldstino
- Non-linear SUSY and the MSSM
- Non-linear SUSY and Starobinsky inflation
- Extended supersymmetry and brane dynamics

# Non-linear supersymmetry $\Rightarrow$ goldstino mode $\chi$

Volkov-Akulov '73

Why study goldstino interactions:

- Effective field theory of SUSY breaking at low energies  $m_\chi \ll m_{susy}$   
e.g. gauge mediation dominant vs gravity mediation

$$\chi: \text{longitudinal gravitino with } m_\chi \simeq \frac{m_{susy}^2}{M_{Planck}} \lesssim m_{soft} \ll m_{susy}$$

$M_{Planck} \rightarrow \infty$ : SUGRA decoupled

massless  $\chi$  coupled to matter  $\sim 1/m_{susy}$

- Brane dynamics: half SUSY of the bulk broken but NL realized  
 $\Rightarrow$  strongly constrain coupling of brane to bulk fields

Non-linear SUSY transformations:

$$\delta\chi_\alpha = \frac{\xi_\alpha}{\kappa} + \color{red}\kappa\Lambda_\xi^\mu\partial_\mu\chi_\alpha\color{black} \quad \Lambda_\xi^\mu = -i(\chi\sigma^\mu\bar{\xi} - \xi\sigma^\mu\bar{\chi})$$

$\kappa$ : goldstino decay constant (SUSY breaking scale)  $\kappa = (\sqrt{2}m_{susy})^{-2}$

**Volkov-Akulov action:**

Define the 'vierbein':  $E_\mu^a = \delta_\mu^a + \kappa^2 t_\mu^a$   $t_\mu^a = i\chi\overset{\leftrightarrow}{\partial}_\mu\sigma^a\bar{\chi}$

$\delta(\det E) = \kappa\partial_\mu(\Lambda_\xi^\mu \det E) \Rightarrow$  invariant action:

$$S_{VA} = -\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \det E = -\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} - \frac{i}{2}\chi\sigma^\mu\overset{\leftrightarrow}{\partial}_\mu\bar{\chi} + \dots$$

## D-brane examples

Type II (closed) strings on  $4d$  Minkowski  $M_4 \times X_6$  internal  $6d$  manifold

$X_6$  flat  $\Rightarrow N = 8$  SUSY ;  $X_6$  Calabi-Yau  $\Rightarrow N = 2$  SUSY

Single stack of  $N$  D $p$ -branes  $\Rightarrow$  half SUSY is spontaneously broken  $p \geq 3$

( $p - 3$ ) dims wrapped around cycles in  $X_6 \Rightarrow 4d$  effective field theory

- Gauge group:  $G = U(N)$  (generically)
- SUSY: half remains unbroken  $Q_e$ ; other half NL realized  $Q_o$   
broken SUSY commutes with  $G \Rightarrow$  goldstino =  $U(1)$  gaugino of  $Q_e$

Intersecting branes: useful framework for model building

Standard Model embedding

Two D-brane stacks:  $N_1$   $Dp_1$  and  $N_2$   $Dp_2$

⇒ bifundamental matter on their intersections: chiral fermions

L-SUSY: generally broken but preserved for special intersection angles

e.g. for  $X_6 = T^2 \times T^2 \times T^2$  when  $\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = 0$

NL-SUSY: generally all (both  $U(1)_1 \times U(1)_2$  gauginos = goldstinos)

special angles ⇒ only a linear combination

*Remark:* string consistency (e.g. tadpole cancellation) ⇒ need orientifolds

non-dynamical planes ⇒ break half-SUSY explicitly

⇒ goldstino gets a volume suppressed mass

NL-SUSY only locally → restored in the large volume limit

# Constrained superfields

Rocek-Tseytlin '78, Lindstrom-Rocek '79, Komargodski-Seiberg '09

spontaneous global SUSY: no supercharge but still conserved supercurrent

⇒ superpartners exist in operator space (not as 1-particle states)

⇒ constrained superfields: ‘eliminate’ superpartners

Goldstino: chiral superfield  $X_{NL}$  satisfying  $X_{NL}^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$  [27]

$$X_{NL}(y) = \frac{\chi^2}{2F} + \sqrt{2}\theta\chi + \theta^2 F \quad y^\mu = x^\mu + i\theta\sigma^\mu\bar{\theta}$$

$$= F\Theta^2 \quad \Theta = \theta + \frac{\chi}{\sqrt{2}F}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{NL} = \int d^4\theta X_{NL}\bar{X}_{NL} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\kappa} \left\{ \int d^2\theta X_{NL} + h.c. \right\} = \mathcal{L}_{Volkov-Akulov}$$

$$F = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\kappa} + \dots$$

# Reduce the ‘little’ fine-tuning in MSSM

MSSM upper bound on the lightest scalar mass:

$$m_h^2 \lesssim m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta + \frac{3}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{m_t^4}{v^2} \left[ \ln \frac{m_{\tilde{t}}^2}{m_t^2} + \frac{A_t^2}{m_{\tilde{t}}^2} \left( 1 - \frac{A_t^2}{12m_{\tilde{t}}^2} \right) \right] \lesssim (130 \text{ GeV})^2$$

$$m_h \simeq 126 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow m_{\tilde{t}} \simeq 3 \text{ TeV or } A_t \simeq 3m_{\tilde{t}} \simeq 1.5 \text{ TeV}$$

$\Rightarrow$  compatible with SUSY but % to a few % fine-tuning

$$\text{minimum of the potential: } m_Z^2 = 2 \frac{m_1^2 - m_2^2 \tan^2 \beta}{\tan^2 \beta - 1} \sim -2m_2^2 + \dots$$

$$\text{RG evolution: } m_2^2 = m_2^2(M_{\text{GUT}}) - \frac{3\lambda_t^2}{4\pi^2} m_{\tilde{t}}^2 \ln \frac{M_{\text{GUT}}}{m_{\tilde{t}}} + \dots$$

$$\sim m_2^2(M_{\text{GUT}}) - \mathcal{O}(1)m_{\tilde{t}}^2 + \dots$$

# Goldstino couplings to matter supermultiplets

replace spurion superfield  $S = m_{soft}\theta^2$  by goldstino constrained superfield

$$S \rightarrow \sqrt{2\kappa}m_{soft}X_{NL} = \frac{m_{soft}}{m_{susy}}X_{NL}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Non-linear MSSM

$F$ -auxiliary in  $X_{NL}$ : dynamical field with no derivatives to be solved

$$-\bar{F} = m_{susy}^2 + \frac{B\mu}{m_{susy}^2}h_1h_2 + \frac{A_u}{m_{susy}^2}\tilde{u}_R\tilde{q}h_2 + \dots$$

$\Rightarrow$  compact form for all goldstino couplings at linear and non-linear level

with

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SUSY} + \mathcal{L}_{X_{NL}} + \mathcal{L}_H + \mathcal{L}_m + \mathcal{L}_{AB} + \mathcal{L}_g$$

$$\mathcal{L}_H = \sum_{i=1,2} \frac{m_i^2}{m_{susy}^4} \int d^4\theta X_{NL}^\dagger X_{NL} H_i^\dagger e^{V_i} H_i$$

$$\mathcal{L}_m = \sum_{\Phi} \frac{m_\Phi^2}{m_{susy}^4} \int d^4\theta X_{NL}^\dagger X_{NL} \Phi^\dagger e^V \Phi \quad ; \quad \Phi = Q, U^c, D^c, L, E^c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{AB} &= \frac{1}{m_{susy}^2} \int d^2\theta X_{nl} (A_u H_2 Q U^c + A_d Q D^c H_1 + A_e L E^c H_1) \\ &\quad + \frac{B\mu}{m_{susy}^2} \int d^2\theta X_{NL} H_1 H_2 + h.c. \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_g = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{1}{8g_i^2} \frac{m_{\lambda_i}}{m_{susy}^2} \int d^2\theta X_{NL} \text{Tr} [W^\alpha W_\alpha]_i + h.c.$$

Higgs potential is modified:

$$V = V_{MSSM} + 2\kappa^2 \left| m_1^2 |h_1|^2 + m_2^2 |h_2|^2 + B\mu h_1 h_2 \right|^2 + \mathcal{O}(\kappa^4) \Rightarrow$$

$m_{1,2}, B\mu$ : soft mass parameters,  $\mu$ : higgsino mass

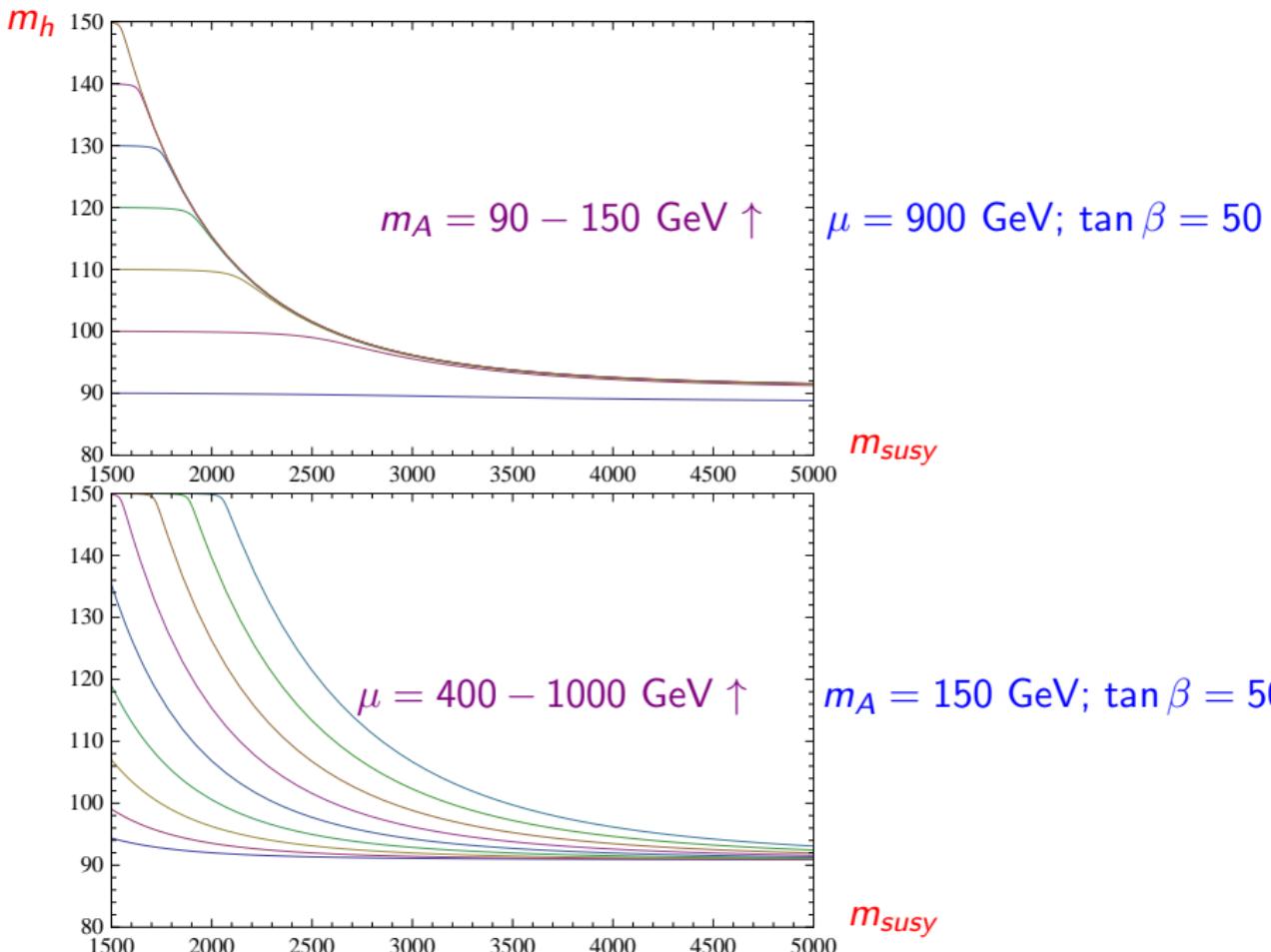
Classical value of light higgs mass can be increased significantly

for  $m_{susy} \sim$  a few TeV

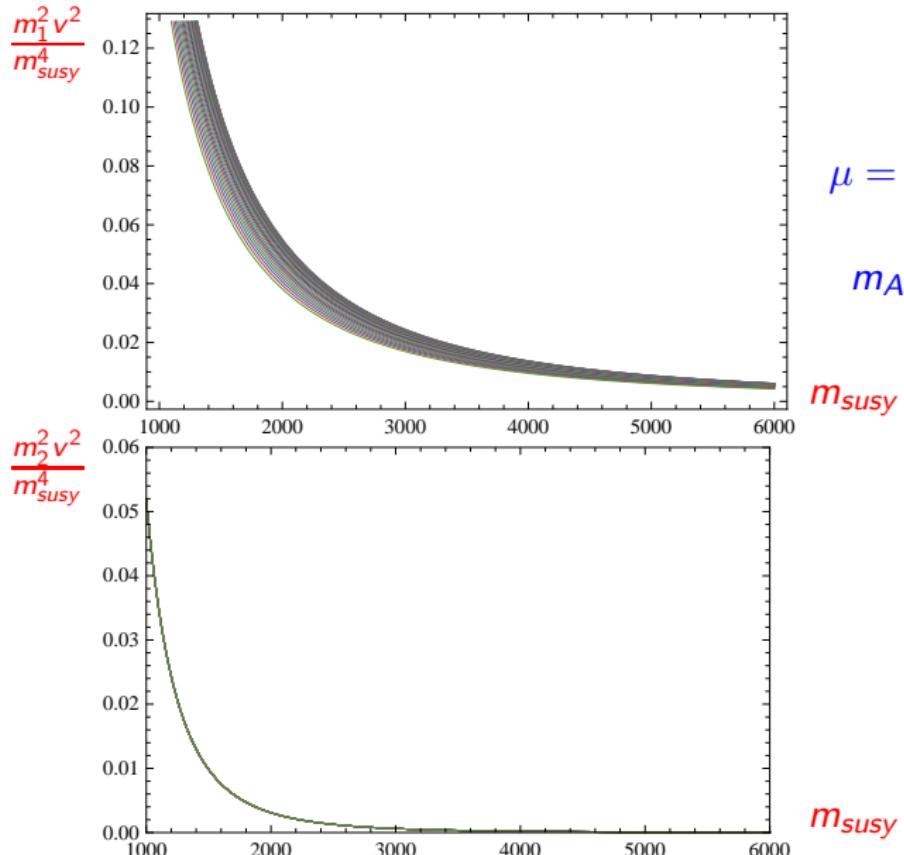
large  $\tan \beta$  limit:  $m_h^2 = m_Z^2 + \frac{v^2}{2m_{susy}^2} (2\mu^2 + m_Z^2)^2 + \dots$

Quartic higgs coupling increases for large soft masses  $\Rightarrow$

MSSM 'little' fine tuning of the EW scale is alleviated



# Validity of perturbative expansion: $m_i^2 v^2 / m_{susy}^4 \ll 1$



$\mu = 900 \text{ GeV}; \tan \beta = 50$

$m_A = 90 - 650 \text{ GeV} \uparrow$

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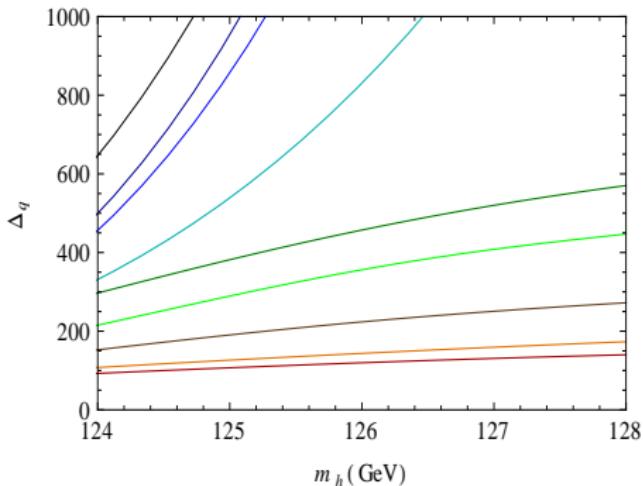
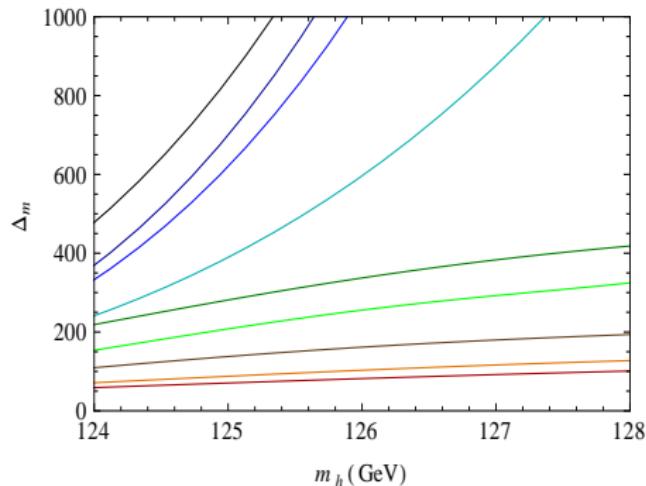
Fine-tuning measures:

Ellis-Enqvist-Nanopoulos-Zwirner '86  
Barbieri-Giudice '88, Anderson-Castano '94

$$\Delta_m = \max_{\gamma} |\Delta_{\gamma^2}|, \quad \Delta_q = \left\{ \sum_{\gamma} \Delta_{\gamma^2}^2 \right\}^{1/2}, \quad \text{with } \Delta_{\gamma^2} \equiv \frac{\partial \ln v^2}{\partial \ln \gamma^2}$$

$$\gamma = \{m_0, m_{12}, A_t, B_0, \mu_0\}, \quad v = \text{EW scale}$$

# The Constrained Non-Linear MSSM



Minimal values of  $\Delta_m$  (left) and  $\Delta_q$  (right) for  $\tan \beta = 10$  and  $m_{susy}$  from the lowest to the top curve: 2.8 TeV (red), 3.2 TeV (orange), 3.9 TeV (brown), 5 TeV (green), 5.5 TeV (dark green), 6.3 TeV (cyan), 7.4 TeV (blue), 8 TeV (dark blue), 8.7 TeV (black).

$$m_{susy} \simeq 3 \text{ TeV} \Rightarrow \Delta^{NL} \sim \Delta/10 \quad [20]$$

# Invisible decays of Higgs and $Z$ boson

Other relevant couplings at order  $\mathcal{O}(\kappa)$ :  $\frac{1}{m_{susy}^2} \times$

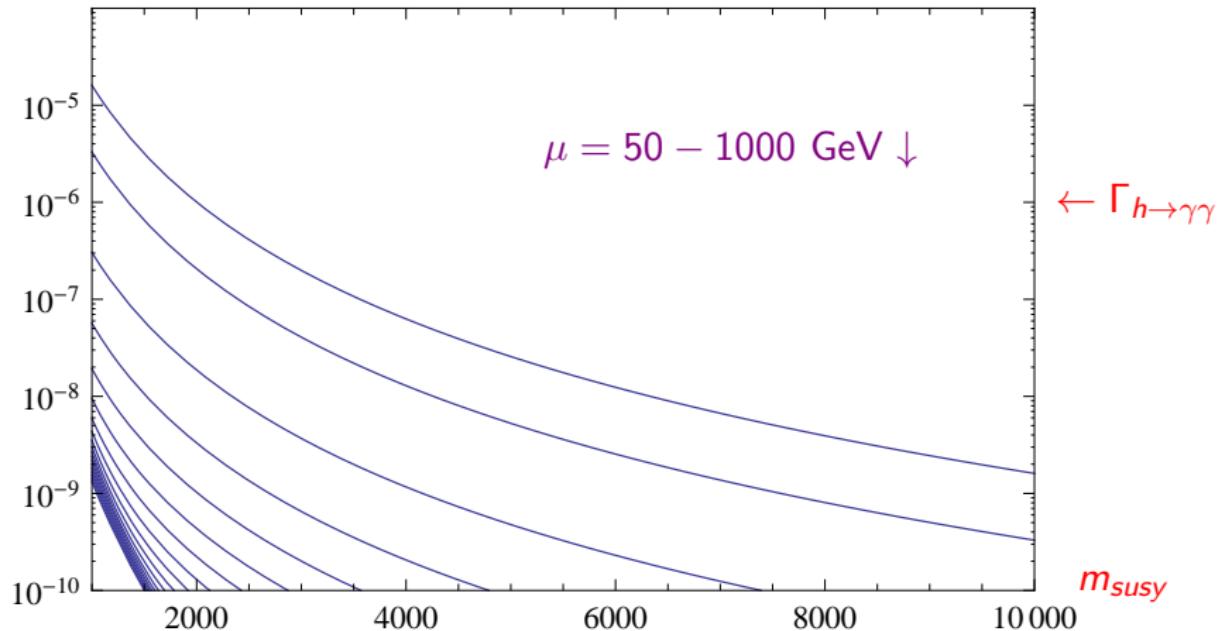
$$\left( m_1^2 \chi \psi_{h_1^0} h_1^{0*} + m_2^2 \chi \psi_{h_2^0} h_2^{0*} \right) + B\mu \left( \chi \psi_{h_2^0} h_1^0 + \chi \psi_{h_1^0} h_2^0 \right) + \\ \sum_{i=1,2} \frac{m_{\lambda_i}}{\sqrt{2}} \tilde{D}_i^a \chi \lambda_i^a + \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{m_{\lambda_i}}{\sqrt{2}} \chi \sigma^{\mu\nu} \lambda_i^a F_{\mu\nu,i}^a + h.c.$$

$\Rightarrow$  invisible higgs decay  $h \rightarrow \chi + \text{NLSP}$  if NLSP is light enough  
otherwise inverse decay studied in the past  
taking also into account the goldstino components of higgsinos/gauginos  
from SUSY terms:  $\sim h_i^0 \lambda \tilde{h}_i^0$

Similarly  $Z \rightarrow \chi + \text{NLSP} \Rightarrow m_{susy} \gtrsim 400\text{-}700 \text{ GeV}$  from  $Z$ -width

$$\Delta\Gamma_Z \lesssim 2.3 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_{h \rightarrow \chi + \text{NLSP}} \quad m_A = 150 \text{ GeV}; \tan \beta = 50; \quad (m_{\lambda_1}, m_{\lambda_2}) = (70, 150) \text{ GeV}$$



# Non-linear SUSY in supergravity

I.A.-Dudas-Ferrara-Sagnotti '14

$$K = -3 \log(1 - X\bar{X}) \equiv 3X\bar{X} \quad ; \quad W = fX + W_0 \quad ; \quad X \equiv X_{NL}$$

$$\Rightarrow V = \frac{1}{3}|f|^2 - 3|W_0|^2 \quad ; \quad m_{3/2}^2 = |W_0|^2$$

- $V$  can have any sign      contrary to global NL SUSY
- NL SUSY in flat space  $\Rightarrow f = 3m_{3/2}M_p$
- Dual gravitational formulation:  $\mathcal{R}^2 = 0 \leftarrow$  chiral curvature superfield
- Minimal SUSY extension of  $R^2$  gravity

# Starobinsky model of inflation

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}R + \alpha R^2$$

Lagrange multiplier  $\phi \Rightarrow \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + 2\phi)R - \frac{1}{4\alpha}\phi^2$

Weyl rescaling  $\Rightarrow$  equivalent to a scalar field with exponential potential:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{M^2}{12} \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}\right)^2 \quad M^2 = \frac{3}{4\alpha}$$

Note that the two metrics are not the same

supersymmetric extension:

add D-term  $\mathcal{R}\bar{\mathcal{R}}$  because F-term  $\mathcal{R}^2$  does not contain  $R^2$

$\Rightarrow$  brings two chiral multiplets [23]

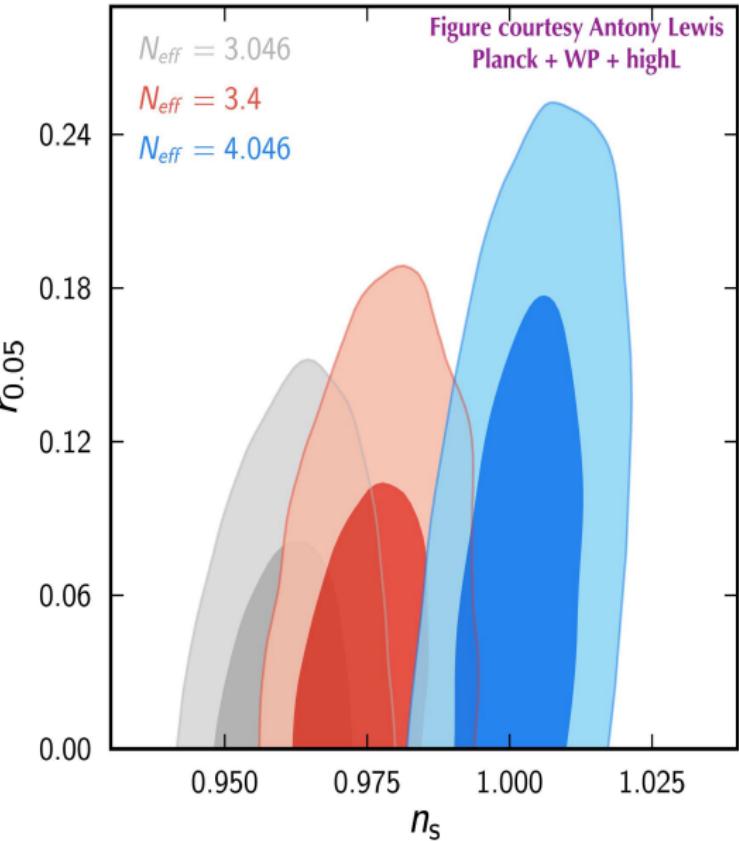
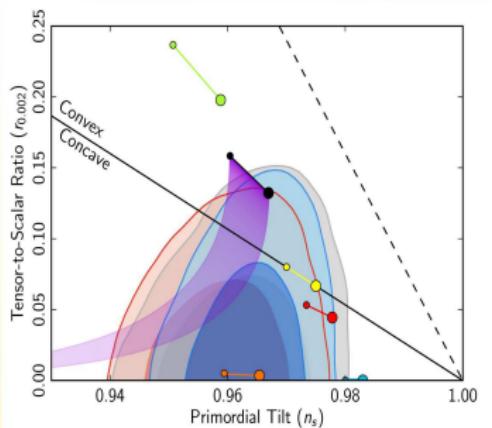
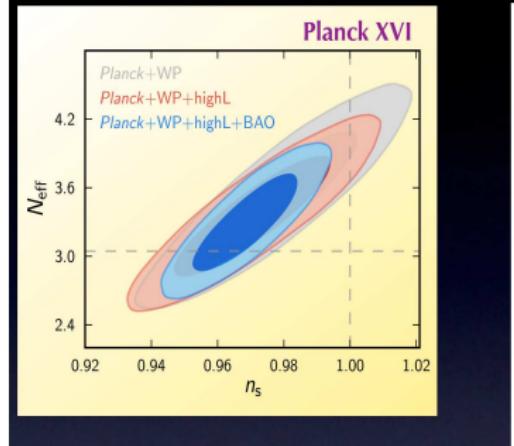


Fig. 1. Marginalized joint 68% and 95% CL regions for  $n_s$  and  $r_{0.002}$  from Planck in combination with other data sets compared to the theoretical predictions of selected inflationary models.

Chiral curvature superfield:

$$\mathcal{R} = \left( u, \gamma^{mn} \mathcal{D}_m \psi_n, -\frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{3}A_m^2 + i\mathcal{D}^m A_m - \frac{1}{3}u\bar{u} \right)$$

$u, A_m$ : auxiliary fields of the 'old minimal'  $N=1$  SUGRA

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{R}\overline{\mathcal{R}}|_D + W(\mathcal{R})|_F = C\overline{C}|_D + [\Lambda(C - \mathcal{R}) + W(C)]_F$$

$C, \Lambda$ : auxiliary chiral multiplets

$W(C)$  can be set to constant  $W_0$  by  $\Lambda$  redefinition + few manipulations

$\Rightarrow N=1$  SUGRA with 2 chiral multiplets

# SUSY extension of Starobinsky model

$$K = -3 \ln(T + \bar{T} - C\bar{C}) \quad ; \quad W = MC(T - \frac{1}{2})$$

- $T$  contains the inflaton:  $\text{Re } T = e^{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}$
- $C \sim \mathcal{R}$  is unstable during inflation
  - ⇒ add higher order terms to stabilize it

e.g.  $C\bar{C} \rightarrow h(C, \bar{C}) = C\bar{C} - \zeta(C\bar{C})^2$       Kallosh-Linde '13

- SUSY is broken during inflation with  $C$  the goldstino superfield

Minimal SUSY extension that evades stability problem:

replace  $C$  by the non-linear multiplet  $X$

# Non-linear Starobinsky supergravity

$$K = -3 \ln(T + \bar{T} - X\bar{X}) \quad ; \quad W = MXT + fX + W_0 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{M^2}{12} \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}(\partial a)^2 - \frac{M^2}{18}e^{-2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}a^2$$

- axion  $a$  much heavier than  $\phi$  during inflation, decouples:

$$m_\phi = \frac{M}{3}e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi_0} \ll m_a = \frac{M}{3}$$

- inflation scale  $M$  independent from NL-SUSY breaking scale  $f$   
 $\Rightarrow$  compatible with low energy SUSY
- string realization? [28]

# NL extended supersymmetry

$$N = 1_L + 1_{NL}$$

Ambrosetti-I.A.-Derendinger-Tziveloglou '09 + '10

Goldstino in multiplet of  $N = 1$  SUSY: vector or chiral?

brane dynamics  $\Rightarrow$  Maxwell goldstino multiplet

gauge chiral multiplet  $|_{N=2} \mathcal{W} = (\text{vector } W + \text{chiral } X)_{N=1}$

$$\mathcal{W}(y, \theta, \tilde{\theta}) = X(y, \theta) + i\sqrt{2}\tilde{\theta}W(y, \theta) - \tilde{\theta}^2 \left[ \frac{1}{4}\overline{DDX}(y, \theta) + \frac{1}{2\kappa} \right]$$

allow partial SUSY breaking  $N = 2 \rightarrow N = 1$

I.A.-Partouche-Taylor '96

$$\delta^* X = i\sqrt{2}\eta^\alpha W_\alpha \quad \delta^* W_\alpha = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2\kappa}}\eta_\alpha + \dots \leftarrow \text{linear SUSY}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Maxwell}}^{N=2} = -\frac{1}{8} \int d^2\theta d^2\tilde{\theta} \mathcal{W}^2 + h.c. = \int d^2\theta \left[ \frac{1}{2}W^2 - \frac{1}{4}X\overline{DDX} - \frac{1}{2\kappa}X \right] + h.c.$$

# DBI action

Non-linear  $N = 2$  constraint:  $\mathcal{W}_{NL}^2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow X^2 = 0 \quad , \quad XW_\alpha = 0 \quad , \quad WW - \frac{1}{2}X\overline{DDX} = \frac{1}{\kappa}X \quad [9]$$

$$X = \kappa W^2 - \kappa^3 \bar{D}^2 \frac{W^2 \bar{W}^2}{1 + A_+ + \sqrt{1 + 2A_+ + A_-^2}} \quad A_\pm = \frac{\kappa^2}{2} \left( D^2 W^2 \pm \bar{D}^2 \bar{W}^2 \right) = \pm A_\pm^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{NL}^{N=2} &= \frac{1}{4\kappa} \int d^2\theta X + h.c. \\ &= \frac{1}{8\kappa^2} \left( 1 - \sqrt{-\det(\eta_{\mu\nu} + 2\sqrt{2}\kappa F_{\mu\nu})} \right) + \dots = \mathcal{L}_{DBI} \leftarrow \text{D-brane} \end{aligned}$$

The FI-term is also invariant under NL SUSY

$$\mathcal{L}_{FI} = \xi \int d^4\theta V; \quad W = -\frac{1}{4} \bar{D}^2 DV; \quad \delta^* V = \frac{i}{2\kappa} (\eta D + \bar{\eta} \bar{D}) \theta^2 \bar{\theta}^2 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{Max}^{NL} = \mathcal{L}_{NL}^{N=2} + \mathcal{L}_{FI}$$

# Conclusions

Non-linear supersymmetry: powerful tool for studying:

- low energy SUSY breaking  $E \ll m_{susy} \sim 1/\sqrt{\kappa}$   
*Volkov-Akulov action and goldstino  $\chi$  couplings to matter*
- $m_{soft} \lesssim E \ll m_{susy}$ : goldstino  $\equiv$  spurion coupled to supermultiplets  
→ Non-linear MSSM : narrow but interesting region
  - new quartic higgs coupling  $\Rightarrow$  can increase the higgs mass  
reduce the MSSM fine tuning of the EW scale
- coupling to supergravity: straightforward but several open questions  
minimal SUGRA extension of Starobinsky model for inflation
- brane effective actions  $\Rightarrow$  brane dynamics  
 $N = 2$  NL SUSY  $\Rightarrow$  DBI action and couplings to bulk fields