
Exercises on Theoretical Particle Physics II

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8.1 No Scale Model

(13 credits)

Take $\mathcal{N} = 1$ supergravity with three chiral superfields S , T and C . The Kähler potential (with $M_P = 1$) is

$$K = -\log(S + S^*) - 3\log(T + T^* - CC^*) \quad (1)$$

The superpotential is

$$W = C^3 + a \exp(-\alpha S) + b, \quad (2)$$

where a and b are arbitrary complex numbers and $\alpha > 0$. These additional terms will enable us to fix $\langle S \rangle$.

- (a) First, drop the fields S and C . Show that the scalar potential vanishes. Find the auxiliary fields to see that SUSY is generically broken. (2 credits)
- (b) Find the auxiliary fields for S , T and C and check that SUSY is broken. (3 credits)
- (c) Calculate the scalar potential. (2 credits)
- (d) What is the value of the vacuum energy? Are there any directions (where E_{vac} is independent of the vev of a field)? (4 credits)
- (e) What is the gravitino mass? (2 credits)