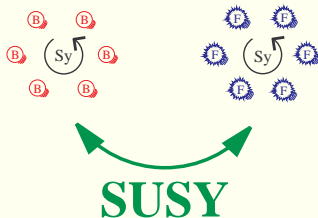


# Numerical Simulation of Supersymmetric Yang-Mills Theory

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# Supersymmetry

Unsatisfactory properties of the Standard Model:

- 18 free parameters
- mass hierarchy
- neutrino masses
- dark matter



Is there anything beyond the Standard Model?

# Supersymmetry

Supersymmetry (Golfand, Likhtman, Volkov, Akulov, Wess, Zumino)



J. Wess



B. Zumino

SUSY relates bosons to fermions:



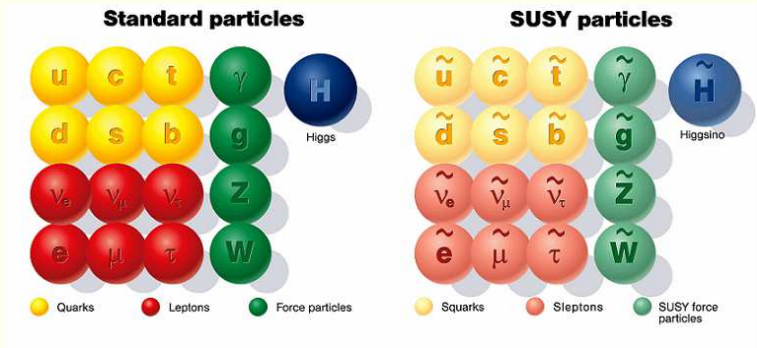
$$Q|\text{boson}\rangle = |\text{fermion}\rangle$$

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**SUSY**

# Supersymmetry

## Superpartners of the Standard Model

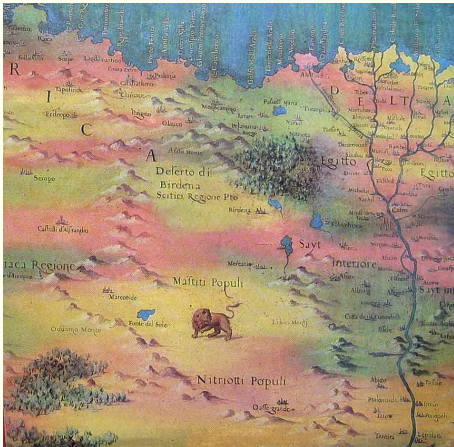


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Hic sunt leones!

Methods: mainly perturbation theory and semiclassical methods

Non-perturbative investigations → [lattice discretisation](#)

# $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SUSY Yang-Mills Theory

- Simplest model with SUSY and local gauge invariance
- Part of the supersymmetrically extended standard model

Vector supermultiplet:

- Gauge field  $A_\mu^a(x)$ , “Gluon”  
Gauge group  $SU(N_c)$
- Majorana-spinor field  $\lambda^a(x)$ , “Gluino”

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\mu\nu}^a + \frac{i}{2} \bar{\lambda}^a \gamma_\mu (\mathcal{D}_\mu \lambda)^a$$

# $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SUSY Yang-Mills Theory

- Similar to QCD

Differences:  $\lambda$  : 1.) Majorana, " $N_f = \frac{1}{2}$ "  
2.) adjoint representation of  $SU(N_c)$

- Gluino mass term

$$m_{\tilde{g}} \bar{\lambda}^a \lambda^a$$

breaks SUSY softly.

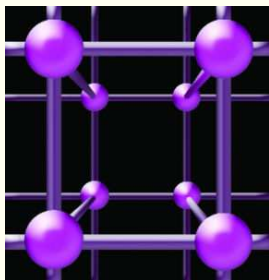


# Non-perturbative Problems

- Spontaneous breaking of chiral symmetry  $Z_{2N_c} \rightarrow Z_2$ 
  - $\updownarrow$
  - Gluino condensate  $\langle \lambda\lambda \rangle \neq 0$
- Confinement of static quarks.
- Spontaneous breaking of SUSY?
- SUSY restoration on the lattice
- Spectrum of bound states
  - Supermultiplets
- Check predictions from effective Lagrangeans (Veneziano, Yankielowicz, ...)

# Lattice field theory

Continuous space-time  $\longrightarrow$  lattice



Lattice spacing  $a$  provides momentum cut-off

K. Wilson's approach: **Euclidean lattice field theory**



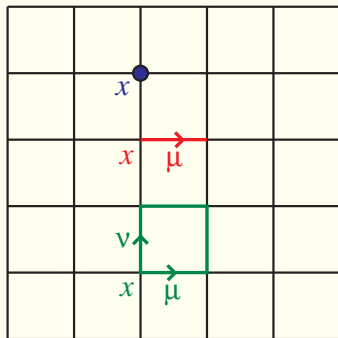
## Basic principles

- 4-dimensional space-time lattice
- Imaginary time  $t = -i\tau$
- Functional integral approach à la Feynman

allows Monte Carlo simulations

# Lattice field theory

Fields on the lattice



$$\Psi(x)$$

$$U_{x\mu} = e^{iagA_\mu(x)}$$

$$U_{x\mu\nu} = e^{ia^2gF_{\mu\nu}(x)}$$

link variable  $U_{x\mu} \in \text{SU}(N)$

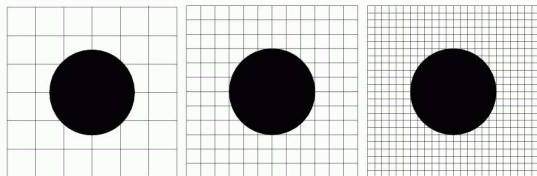
# SUSY on the lattice

Lattice breaks SUSY.

$$\{Q, Q^+\} \sim P_\mu$$

Restoration in the continuum limit?

Search for continuum limit  $a \rightarrow 0$  with restored SUSY



Calculate

Functional integral

$$Z = \int [DU][D\lambda] e^{-(S_g + S_f)}$$

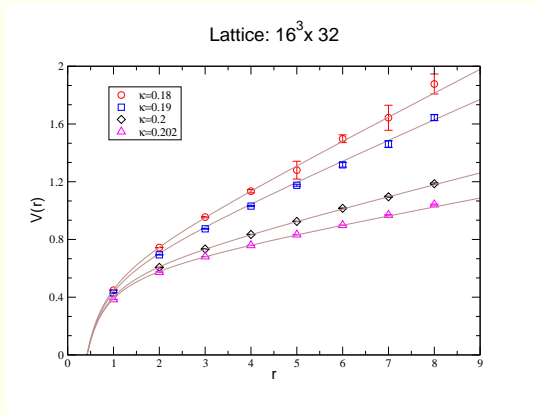
by means of [numerical simulations](#) with the [Monte Carlo method](#).

Gauge group [SU\(2\)](#) in our previous work.

# Static potential

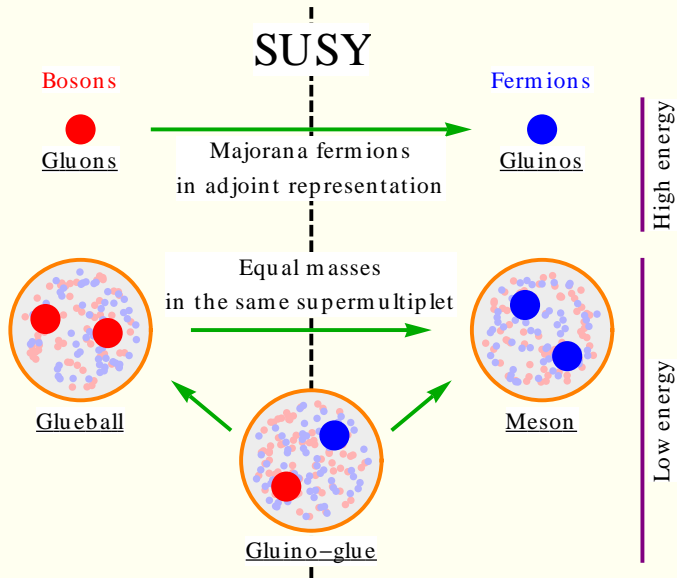
Static quark potential  $V(R)$

$(\beta = 1.6)$



Linear rise  $\leftrightarrow$  Confinement

# Bound states



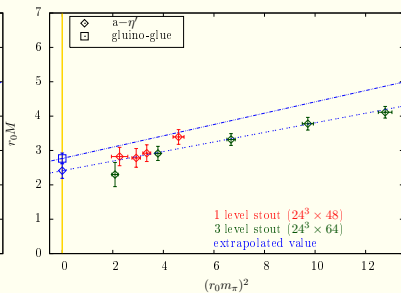
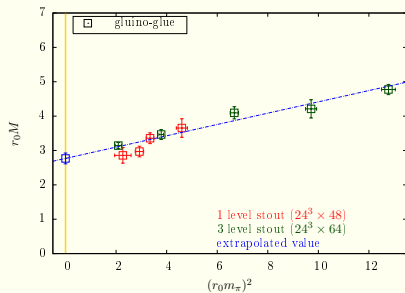


# Bound states

Lattices  $16^3 \cdot 32$ ,  $24^3 \cdot 48$ ,  $32^3 \cdot 64$ ,

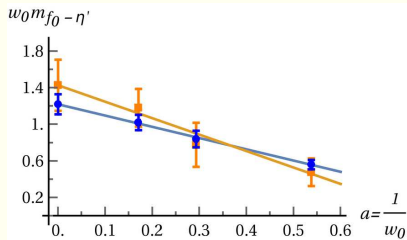
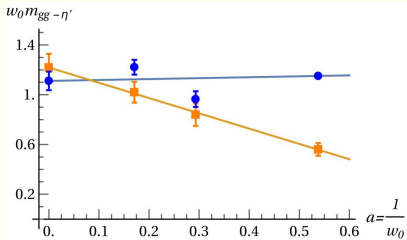
$a \sim 0.086$  fm,  $0.053$  fm,  $0.036$  fm in QCD units

Extrapolations to  $m_{\tilde{g}} = 0$



# Bound states

## Extrapolations to the continuum



## Status:

- Gauge group  $SU(2)$
- Consistency with SUSY Ward identities
- Quantitative results about the low-energy spectrum
- Results are consistent with the formation of degenerate supermultiplets

Gauge group  $SU(3)$ : “real” gluons + gluinos

- different phase structure, spontaneous CP violation
- new types of bound states
- finite temperature studies
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