Problem Set 4 Introduction to Supersymmetry and Supergravity WS 13/14

Problem 4.1

Pure N = 1 supersymmetric gauge theories (i.e. without any matter) have a β -function which can be written to all orders in perturbation theory as

$$\mu \frac{dg}{d\mu} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \frac{bg^3}{(1 + \frac{b}{24\pi^2}g^2)} , \qquad (1)$$

where b is the 1-loop coefficient.

a) Show that

$$g^{-2}(\mu) = g^{-2}(M) + \frac{b}{8\pi^2} \ln \frac{M}{\mu} - \frac{b}{24\pi^2} \ln g^{-2}(\mu)$$

solves the RG-equation (1).

b) Show that

$$\Lambda = \mu \, g^{-\frac{2}{3}}(\mu) \exp[\frac{8\pi^2}{b} g^{-2}(\mu)]$$

is an RG-invariant scale, i.e. $\frac{d\Lambda}{d\mu} = 0$ holds.

c) Using a) show that

$$\Lambda = M \exp\left[\frac{8\pi^2}{b}g^{-2}(M)\right] \,.$$

Problem 4.2

In General Relativity one defines the covariant derivative of a vector V_{μ} as

$$abla_{\mu}V_{
u} := \partial_{\mu}V_{
u} - \Gamma^{
ho}_{\mu
u}V_{
ho} \; .$$

For a vector $V_a = e^{\mu}_a V_{\mu}$ one has

$$\nabla_{\mu} V_a := \partial_{\mu} V_a - \omega_{\mu a}{}^b V_b \; ,$$

where $\omega_{\mu ab} = -\omega_{\mu ba}$.

a) Derive an expression for $\nabla_{\mu}e_{\nu}^{a}$ using the consistency of the two expressions.

Using additionally $\nabla_{\mu}g_{\nu\rho} = 0$ show

$$\omega_{\mu\nu\rho} = \frac{1}{2} (C_{\mu\nu\rho} - C_{\nu\rho\mu} + C_{\mu\rho\nu}) ,$$

where $\omega_{\mu\nu\rho} := e^a_{\rho} e^b_{\nu} \omega_{\mu ba}, \ C_{\nu\mu\rho} := (\partial_{\nu} e^a_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu} e^a_{\nu}) \eta_{ac} e^c_{\rho}.$

b) Compute the transformation law of $\omega_{\mu a}{}^{b}$ under local Lorentz transformations.

Problem 4.3

- a) Compute all Christoffel symbols and all components of the Riemann curvature tensor for a Kähler manifold with the metric $G_{i\bar{j}} = \partial_i \partial_{\bar{j}} K$.
- b) Show

$$[D_i, \bar{D}_{\bar{j}}]v_k = R_{i\bar{j}k}{}^l v_l ,$$

where $D_{\overline{j}}v_k = \partial_{\overline{j}}v_k, D_iv_k = \partial_i v_k - \Gamma_{ik}^l v_l$.

c) Show that the Ricci tensor is given by

$$R_{i\bar{j}} = \partial_i \partial_{\bar{j}} \ln \det(G_{l\bar{k}})$$
.

Problem 4.4

Consider a supergravity with $n_c + 1$ chiral multiplets $T, \phi^i, i = 1, \ldots, n_c$ and a Kähler potential

$$K = -3 \ln Y$$
, where $Y \equiv (T + \overline{T} - \phi^i \delta_{i\bar{j}} \overline{\phi}^j)$, $\kappa = 1$

- a) Compute all components of the metric.
- b) Show

$$K_I G^{IJ} K_{\bar{J}} = 3 ,$$

where I runs over all
$$n_c + 1$$
 chiral fields.

Hint: For $G^{I\bar{J}}$ use the Ansatz

$$G^{I\bar{J}} = \frac{Y}{3} \begin{pmatrix} X & Z\phi^i \\ Z\bar{\phi}^{\bar{j}} & \delta^{i\bar{j}} \end{pmatrix} ,$$

and determine X, Z.

c) Compute V in this theory for W = constant.