# Supersymmetric Galileon Theory

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## Heterotic M-Theory:

Wrapped N=I supersymmetric 5-brane collision

 $d=5 \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \longrightarrow$ 

⇒N=I supersymmetric "Ekpyrotic" cosmology

But- how does one violate the NEC?

Non-supersymmetric "New Ekpyrotic" cosmology:

d=4 Effective field theory with two real scalars  $\phi$ ,  $\chi$ NEC violated by "ghost condensate" in field  $\phi$ But- how do we restore the N=I supersymmetry!

# Supersymmetric Ghost Condensate

Review of Bosonic Ghost Condensation:

Single real scalar field-  $\phi$ 

Flat space-  $\eta_{\mu\nu}$ 

Higher-derivative Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = P(X) \ , \ X \equiv -\frac{1}{2m^4} (\partial \phi)^2 = \frac{1}{2m^4} (\dot{\phi}^2 - \phi^{,i} \phi_{,i})$$

Set m=1. For  $\phi = \phi(t)$  the equation of motion is

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left(P_{,X}\dot{\phi}\right) = 0$$

with solution

 $\phi = ct$ 

In cosmological FRW context with  $a = a(t) \Rightarrow$ 

 $P_{,X} = 0$ 

## **Ghost Condensate Solution:**

 $\phi = ct$  with  $P_{,X} = 0$   $\longleftarrow$  spontaneously breaks Lorentz invariance

Expanding in fluctuations  $\phi = c t + \delta \phi(t, \vec{x})$ , to quadratic order the

Lagrangian becomes

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{quad}} = X P_{XX} \cdot (\delta \dot{\phi})^2 - 0 \cdot \delta \phi^{,i} \delta \phi_{,i}$$

a) Temporal gradient: No ghost  $\Rightarrow$  take

 $P_{,XX} > 0$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  ghost condensate local minimum of P(X).

b) Spatial gradient: Vanishes  $\Rightarrow$  on verge of instability! Add higher-derivative terms such as

$$-\frac{(\Box\phi)^2}{M^2}$$

Ghost condensate still a solution, but improves the dispersion relation to

$$\omega^2 \sim \frac{k^4}{M^2}$$

**Prototypical** Condensate Action:

Near the condensate P(X) is approximately quadratic.  $\Rightarrow$ 

Without loss of generality can take

$$\mathcal{L} = -X + X^2 = +\frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\partial\phi)^4$$

 $\Rightarrow$  to quadratic order

 $\mathcal{L}_{\text{quad}} = \mathbf{1} (\delta \dot{\phi})^2 - \mathbf{0} \cdot \delta \phi^{,i} \delta \phi_{,i}$ 

Supersymmetric Ghost Condensation:

Extend to an N=1 chiral supermultiplet

 $\phi \longrightarrow (A, \psi^{\alpha}, F)$ 

where

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi + i\chi)$$

 $\psi^{\alpha}$  is a two-component Weyl spinor and F is a complex auxiliary field. These can be written in as a chiral superfield

$$\Phi = \overline{A} + i\theta\sigma^{\mu}\overline{\theta}A_{,\mu} + \frac{1}{4}\theta\theta\overline{\theta}\overline{\theta}\overline{\theta}\Box A + \theta\theta\overline{F} + \sqrt{2}\theta\overline{\psi} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}\theta\theta\psi_{,\mu}\sigma^{\mu}\overline{\theta}$$

The Supersymmetric Prototypical Action:

We find that

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{SUSY}} = \left(-\Phi\Phi^{\dagger} + \frac{1}{16}D\Phi D\Phi\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\right)\Big|_{\theta\theta\bar{\theta}\bar{\theta}\bar{\theta}}$$
where  $D_{\alpha} = \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta^{\alpha}} + i\sigma^{\mu}_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}\bar{\theta}^{\dot{\alpha}}\partial_{\mu}$ . In component fields
$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{SUSY}} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^{2} + \frac{1}{4}(\partial\phi)^{4} + \frac{1}{2}(\partial\chi)^{2} - \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^{2}(\partial\chi)^{2} + (\partial\phi\cdot\partial\chi)^{2}$$

$$- \frac{i}{2}(\psi_{,\mu}\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi} - \psi\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi}_{,\mu}) - \frac{i}{4}(\partial\phi)^{2}(\psi_{,\mu}\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi} - \psi\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi}_{,\mu})$$

$$- \phi_{\mu}\phi_{,\nu}\frac{i}{2}(\psi^{,\nu}\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi}\psi\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi}^{,\nu}) + \dots$$

No derivatives on  $F \Rightarrow$  remains auxiliary field.

**Ghost Condensate Solution:** 

Setting c=1 and expanding in fluctuations

 $\phi = t + \delta \phi(t, \vec{x}), \quad \chi = \delta \chi(t, \vec{x}), \quad \psi = \delta \psi(t, \vec{x})$ 

to quadratic order the Lagrangian becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{quad}}^{\text{SUSY}} &= (\dot{\delta\phi})^2 - 0 \cdot \delta\phi^{,i} \delta\phi_{,i} \\ &+ 0 \cdot (\dot{\delta\chi})^2 + \delta\chi^{,i} \delta\chi_{,i} \\ &+ \frac{i}{4} \left( \delta\psi_{,0} \sigma^0 \delta\bar{\psi} - \delta\psi\sigma^0 \delta\bar{\psi}_{,0} \right) - \frac{i}{4} \left( \delta\psi_{,i} \sigma^i \delta\bar{\psi} - \delta\psi\sigma^i \delta\bar{\psi}_{,i} \right) \end{aligned}$$

The  $\phi$  Fluctuations:

$$(\dot{\delta\phi})^2 - 0 \cdot \delta\phi^{,i}\delta\phi_{,i}$$

Same gradient instability as in pure bosonic condensate case.

In the supersymmetric case, solved by adding

$$-\frac{1}{2^{11}}D\Phi D\Phi\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\left(\{D,\bar{D}\}\{D,\bar{D}\}(\Phi+\Phi^{\dagger})\right)^{2}\Big|_{\theta\theta\bar{\theta}\bar{\theta},\,\mathrm{quad}} = -(\Box\delta\phi)^{2}$$

Note, does not contain other fields at all to this order.

<u>The  $\chi$  Fluctuations</u>:

 $0 \cdot (\dot{\delta\chi})^2 + \delta\chi^{,i}\delta\chi_{,i}$ 

Two serious problems- a) marginal temporal ghost and

b) deep wrong sign spatial gradient.

Adding supersymmetric terms can solve both problems. These are

$$\begin{split} & \left[ \frac{8}{16^2} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \left( \{D, \bar{D}\} (\Phi - \Phi^{\dagger}) \{D, \bar{D}\} (\Phi^{\dagger} - \Phi) \right) \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{4}{16^3} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \left( \{D, \bar{D}\} (\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger}) \{D, \bar{D}\} (\Phi - \Phi^{\dagger}) \right)^2 \right] \right|_{\theta \theta \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta}, \text{ quad}} \\ & = -2(\partial \phi)^4 (\partial \chi)^2 - (\partial \phi)^4 (\partial \phi \cdot \partial \chi)^2 \end{split}$$

Adding to  $\mathcal{L}^{SUSY}$  and expanding to quadratic order around the ghost condensate  $\Rightarrow$  the correct sign Lorentz-covariant expression

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{quad}}^{\text{SUSY}} = \ldots + (\delta \dot{\chi})^2 - \delta \chi^{,i} \delta \chi_{,i} + \ldots$$

Useful to analyze in more detail. Add the above to the 2nd term in  $\mathcal{L}^{SUSY} \Rightarrow$  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{8}{16^2} D\Phi D\Phi \overline{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \overline{D} \Phi^{\dagger} (\{D, \overline{D}\}(\Phi - \Phi^{\dagger})\{D, \overline{D}\}(\Phi^{\dagger} - \Phi)) \\ -\frac{4}{16^3} D\Phi D\Phi \overline{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \overline{D} \Phi^{\dagger} (\{D, \overline{D}\}(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})\{D, \overline{D}\}(\Phi - \Phi^{\dagger}))^2 + \frac{1}{16} D\Phi D\Phi \overline{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \overline{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{\theta \theta \overline{\theta} \overline{\theta}, \text{quad}}$   $= \left[ -2(\partial \phi)^4 (\partial \chi)^2 - (\partial \phi)^4 (\partial \phi \cdot \partial \chi)^2 \right] + \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\partial \phi)^2 (\partial \chi)^2 + (\partial \phi \cdot \partial \chi)^2 \right]$ 

Evaluated around the ghost condensate gives Lorentz-covariance

$$\left[-2(\partial\chi)^2 - (\dot{\chi})^2\right] + \left[\frac{1}{2}(\partial\chi)^2 + (\dot{\chi})^2\right] = -\frac{3}{2}(\partial\chi)^2$$

with correct sign. Adding to first term in  $\mathcal{L}^{SUSY}$  gives

$$\left[\frac{1}{2}(\partial\chi)^2\right] + \left[-\frac{3}{2}(\partial\chi)^2\right] = -(\partial\chi)^2$$

with canonical normalization.

<u>The  $\psi^{\alpha}$  Fluctuations</u>:

$$\frac{i}{4} \left( \delta \psi_{,0} \sigma^0 \delta \bar{\psi} - \delta \psi \sigma^0 \delta \bar{\psi}_{,0} \right) - \frac{i}{4} \left( \delta \psi_{,i} \sigma^i \delta \bar{\psi} - \delta \psi \sigma^i \delta \bar{\psi}_{,i} \right)$$

a) Temporal gradient: No ghost

b) Spatial gradient: Deep wrong sign spatial gradient. Analogous to the  $\chi$  case.  $\Rightarrow$  Need to add appropriate supersymmetric terms.

"However, within the context of the supersymmetric extension of the <u>pure P(X) theory</u>, we are unable to find a fermionic analog of this mechanism"

⇒ fermion spatial kinetic term has wrong sign.
 Not necessary unacceptible.

#### Be that as it may, one can ask a different question: by

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modifying the bosonic theory so that it is no longer purely a P(X) theory, can one find a supersymmetric extension that is free of both ghost-like and gradient-like instabilities in *all* of its component fields? The answer, as we will see, is yes, and leads to another interesting class of higher-derivative Lagrangians — the conformal Galileon theories "

# Supersymmetric Galileons

# Curing the Fermion Gradient Instability:

To proceed, we must modify the original Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}^{\mathrm{SUSY}} = \left( -\Phi \Phi^{\dagger} + \frac{1}{16} D \Phi D \Phi \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \right) \Big|_{\theta \theta \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta}}$$

Recall that

$$\frac{1}{16}D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\Big|_{\theta\theta\bar{\theta}\bar{\theta}} = \frac{1}{4}(\partial\phi)^{4} - \frac{i}{4}(\partial\phi)^{2}(\psi_{,\mu}\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi} - \psi\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi}_{,\mu}) \\ - \frac{i}{2}\phi_{,\mu}\phi_{,\nu}(\psi^{,\nu}\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi} - \psi\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi}^{,\nu}) + \dots$$

#### Let us modify this to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{4}} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger} \bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger} \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{\theta \theta \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta}} = \frac{1}{4\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{4} - \frac{i}{4\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{2} (\psi_{,\mu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}_{,\mu}) \\ - \frac{i}{2\phi^{4}} \phi_{,\mu} \phi_{,\nu} (\psi^{,\nu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}^{,\nu}) + \dots \\ \text{Lorentz - violating}$$

Note that setting

$$\psi^{\alpha} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{ reduces to } \frac{X^2}{\phi^4}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  the modified term is the supersymmetric extension of a  $P(X, \phi)$  type bosonic Lagrangian. Can we find a supersymmetric interaction that will cancel the Lorentz-violating fermion term? Consider

$$\begin{split} \left[ \frac{-1}{24(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{3}} \left( D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}^{2} \Phi^{\dagger} + \text{h.c.} \right) \right] \Big|_{\theta \theta \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta}} &= -\frac{1}{6\phi^{3}} \Box \phi (\partial \phi)^{2} \\ -\frac{i}{6\phi^{3}} \phi_{,\mu} (\psi_{,\nu} \sigma^{\nu} \bar{\psi}^{,\mu} - \psi^{,\mu} \sigma^{\nu} \bar{\psi}_{,\nu}) &+ \frac{i}{12\phi^{3}} \Box \phi (\psi_{,\nu} \sigma^{\nu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\nu} \bar{\psi}_{,\nu}) \\ -\frac{i}{12\phi^{3}} \phi_{,\mu} (\psi \sigma^{\mu} \Box \bar{\psi} - \Box \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}) &- \frac{i}{4\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{2} (\psi_{,\nu} \sigma^{\nu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\nu} \bar{\psi}_{,\nu}) & \in \frac{1}{(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{3}} \end{split}$$

Integrating by parts and dropping terms which vanish on ghost condensate background  $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{-1}{24(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{3}} \left( D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}^{2} \Phi^{\dagger} + \text{h.c.} \right) \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{\theta \theta \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta}} = -\frac{1}{6\phi^{3}} \Box \phi (\partial \phi)^{2} \\ + \frac{i}{2\phi^{4}} \phi_{,\mu} \phi_{,\nu} (\psi^{,\nu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}^{,\nu}) \\ -1 \times \text{Lorentz} - \text{violating term} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Adding this to the above gives

$$\left[ \frac{-1}{24(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^3} \left( D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}^2 \Phi^{\dagger} + \text{h.c.} \right) + \frac{1}{4(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^4} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \right] \Big|_{\theta \theta \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta}}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{6\phi^3} \Box \phi (\partial \phi)^2 + \left[ \frac{1}{4\phi^4} (\partial \phi)^4 - \frac{i}{4\phi^4} (\partial \phi)^2 (\psi_{,\mu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}_{,\mu}) \right] + \dots$$

Note that the Lorentz-violating fermion kinetic term has cancelled. Integrating by parts  $\Rightarrow$ 

$$-\frac{1}{6\phi^3}\Box\phi(\partial\phi)^2 = -\frac{1}{6\phi^4}(\partial\phi)^4 + \frac{1}{18\phi^2}(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{18\phi^2}(\Box\phi)^2$$

#### It follows that

$$\left[ \frac{-1}{24(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^3} \left( D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}^2 \Phi^{\dagger} + \text{h.c.} \right) + \frac{1}{4(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^4} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \right] \Big|_{\theta \theta \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta}}$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{12\phi^4} (\partial \phi)^4 + \frac{1}{18\phi^2} (\partial_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{18\phi^2} (\Box \phi)^2 - \frac{i}{4\phi^4} (\partial \phi)^2 (\psi_{,\mu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}_{,\mu}) + \dots$ 

**Three fundamental conclusions:** "1) the fermion kinetic term is Lorentz-covariant and, for any purely time-dependent background, of the correct sign — that is, *ghost-free with correct-sign spatial gradient*; 2) the first term is simply  $X^2/3\phi^4$  and is manifestly of the  $P(X,\phi)$  type; 3) the remaining  $\phi$  terms are of a different differential form and *not* of the  $P(X,\phi)$  type. Thus, by moving away from purely  $P(X,\phi)$  theory we have solved the problem of the fermion gradient instability"

Must now add this to an appropriate " $\frac{1}{\phi^4}$ " modification of the quadratic term  $-\Phi\Phi^{\dagger}$ . Defining

$$K(\Phi, \Phi^{\dagger}) = \frac{2}{3(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^2}$$

the correct modification is

$$-K(\Phi,\Phi^{\dagger})\Big|_{\theta\theta\bar{\theta}\bar{\theta}} = \frac{1}{2\phi^4}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{i}{2\phi^4}(\psi_{,\mu}\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi} - \psi\sigma^{\mu}\bar{\psi}_{,\mu})$$

where we suppress irrelevant  $\chi$  and F contributions. Note that setting

$$\psi^{\alpha} = 0 \implies \text{reduces to} - \frac{X}{\phi^4}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  the modified term is the supersymmetric extension of a  $P(X, \phi)$  type bosonic Lagrangian.

Putting everything together, choose  $\mathcal{L}^{SUSY}$  to be

$$\begin{bmatrix} -K(\Phi, \Phi^{\dagger}) - \frac{1}{8(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{3}} \left( D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}^{2} \Phi^{\dagger} + \text{h.c.} \right) + \frac{3}{4(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{4}} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \right] \Big|_{\theta \theta \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{2} + \frac{1}{4\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{4} + \frac{1}{6\phi^{2}} (\partial_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \phi)^{2} - \frac{1}{6\phi^{2}} (\Box \phi)^{2}$$

$$- \frac{i}{2\phi^{4}} \left( 1 + \frac{3}{2} (\partial \phi)^{2} \right) (\psi_{,\mu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}_{,\mu}) + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{\phi^{4}} \left( \frac{Prototype}{X + X^{2}} \right) + \frac{1}{6\phi^{2}} \left( (\partial_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \phi)^{2} - (\Box \phi)^{2} \right) + \frac{i}{4\phi^{4}} (\psi_{,\mu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}_{,\mu}) + \dots$$

$$P(X, \phi)$$

Note that although no longer a pure  $P(X, \phi)$  theory, it still admits a "ghost condensate" soluton

 $\phi = ct$  ,  $\chi = 0$  where c = 1

The fermion coefficient is evaluated there.

**Final Conclusion:** The price one pays to obtain a ghost free, spatially stable, Lorentz-covariant fermion kinetic term is that the bosonic  $\phi$  Lagrangian is no longer pure  $P(X, \phi)$ ! What theory is it? Answer:

# **Conformal Galileons**

Scalar Conformal Galileons:

Consider real scalar field  $\pi$ 

The unique set of Lagrangians symmetric under the infinitesimal dilation and special conformal transformations

$$\delta_c \pi = c \left( 1 + x^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \pi \right)$$
  
$$\delta_v \pi = v_{\mu} x^{\mu} - \partial_{\mu} \pi \left( \frac{1}{2} v^{\mu} x^2 - (v \cdot x) x^{\mu} \right)$$

and leading to second order equations of motion are

$$\mathcal{L}_{2} = -\frac{1}{2}e^{2\pi}(\partial\pi)^{2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{3} = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial\pi)^{2}\Box\pi - \frac{1}{4}(\partial\pi)^{4}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{4} = e^{-2\pi}(\partial\pi)^{2} \left[ -\frac{1}{2}(\Box\pi)^{2} + \frac{1}{2}\pi^{,\mu\nu}\pi_{,\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{5}(\partial\pi)^{2}\Box\pi - \frac{1}{5}\pi^{,\mu}\pi^{,\nu}\pi_{,\mu\nu} - \frac{3}{20}(\partial\pi)^{4} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{5} = e^{-4\pi}(\partial\pi)^{2} \left[ -\frac{1}{2}(\Box\pi)^{3} - \pi^{,\mu\nu}\pi_{,\nu\rho}\pi^{,\rho}\mu + \frac{3}{2}\Box\pi\pi^{,\mu\nu}\pi_{,\mu\nu} + \frac{3}{2}(\partial\pi)^{2}(\Box\pi)^{2} - \frac{3}{2}(\partial\pi)^{2}\pi^{,\mu\nu}\pi_{,\mu\nu} - \frac{15}{7}(\partial\pi)^{4}\Box\pi + \frac{15}{7}(\partial\pi)^{2}\pi^{,\mu}\pi^{,\nu}\pi_{,\mu\nu} - \frac{3}{56}(\partial\pi)^{6} \right]$$

To compare to  $P(X, \phi)$  theories, change variables to  $\phi \equiv e^{-\pi}$ 

#### Then

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{2} &= -\frac{1}{2\phi^{4}}(\partial\phi)^{2} \\ \hline \mathcal{L}_{3} &= \frac{1}{2\phi^{3}}\Box\phi(\partial\phi)^{2} - \frac{3}{4\phi^{4}}(\partial\phi)^{4} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2\phi^{3}}(\partial\phi)^{4} - \frac{1}{6\phi^{2}}(\partial_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}\phi)^{2} + \frac{1}{6\phi^{2}}(\Box\phi)^{2} \\ \mathcal{L}_{4} &= -\frac{1}{2\phi^{2}}(\partial\phi)^{2}(\Box\phi)^{2} + \frac{1}{2\phi^{2}}(\partial\phi)^{2}\phi^{,\mu\nu}\phi_{,\mu\nu} + \frac{4}{5\phi^{3}}(\partial\phi)^{4}\Box\phi \\ &- \frac{4}{5\phi^{3}}(\partial\phi)^{2}\phi^{,\mu}\phi^{,\nu}\phi_{,\mu\nu} - \frac{3}{20\phi^{4}}(\partial\phi)^{6} \\ \mathcal{L}_{5} &= (\partial\phi)^{2} \left[\frac{1}{2\phi}(\Box\phi)^{3} + \frac{1}{\phi}\phi^{,\mu\nu}\phi_{,\nu\rho}\phi^{,\rho}{}_{\mu} \\ &- \frac{3}{2\phi}\Box\phi\phi^{,\mu\nu}\phi_{,\mu\nu} - \frac{3}{4\phi^{2}}\partial_{\mu}(\partial\phi)^{2}\partial^{\mu}(\partial\phi)^{2} + \frac{3}{\phi^{2}}\Box\phi\phi^{,\mu\nu}\phi_{,\mu}\phi_{,\nu} \\ &+ \frac{6}{7\phi^{3}}(\partial\phi)^{2}\phi^{,\mu\nu}\phi_{,\mu}\phi_{,\nu} - \frac{6}{7\phi^{3}}(\partial\phi)^{4}\Box\phi - \frac{3}{56\phi^{4}}(\partial\phi)^{8} \right] \\ &= (\partial\phi)^{2} \left[\frac{1}{2\phi}(\Box\phi)^{3} + \frac{1}{\phi}\phi^{,\mu\nu}\phi_{,\nu\rho}\phi^{,\rho}{}_{\mu} \\ &- \frac{3}{2\phi}\Box\phi\phi^{,\mu\nu}\phi_{,\mu\nu} - \frac{3}{4\phi^{2}}(\partial\phi)^{2}(\Box\phi)^{2} + \frac{3}{4\phi^{2}}(\partial\phi)^{2}\phi^{,\mu\nu}\phi_{,\mu\nu} \\ &+ \frac{9}{14\phi^{3}}(\partial\phi)^{4}\Box\phi - \frac{9}{14\phi^{3}}(\partial\phi)^{2}\phi^{,\mu}\phi^{,\nu}\phi_{,\mu\nu} - \frac{3}{56\phi^{4}}(\partial\phi)^{8} \right] \end{split}$$

Note that  $-\mathcal{L}_2$  and  $-\mathcal{L}_3$  are exactly the  $\phi$  part of the supersymmetric Lagrangians derived earlier!

# Conclusion:

 $\Rightarrow$ 

" although the bosonic Galileon Lagrangians L<sub>2</sub> and L<sub>3</sub> were introduced for entirely different reasons, they are <u>precisely</u> of the form required by a quadratic and cubic supersymmetric theory to have a ghost condensate vacuum with <u>Lorentz-covariant and canonical sign</u> fermion kinetic energy"

## Aside: Note that if we add

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{-1}{24(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{3}} \left( D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}^{2} \Phi^{\dagger} + \text{h.c.} \right) + \frac{(1+\Delta)}{4(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{4}} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \bar{D} \Phi^{\dagger} \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{\theta \theta \bar{\theta} \bar{\theta}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{4} + \frac{1}{18\phi^{2}} (\partial_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \phi)^{2} - \frac{1}{18\phi^{2}} (\Box \phi)^{2} \frac{(1+\Delta)i}{4\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{2} (\psi_{,\mu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}_{,\mu}) + \frac{\Delta}{4\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{4} - \frac{i\Delta}{2\phi^{4}} \phi_{,\mu} \phi_{,\nu} (\psi^{,\nu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}^{,\nu}) + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\Delta}{4\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{4} - \frac{i\Delta}{2\phi^{4}} \phi_{,\mu} \phi_{,\nu} (\psi^{,\nu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}^{,\nu}) + \dots$$

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$$= \frac{\Delta}{4\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi)^{4} - \frac{i\Delta}{2\phi^{4}} \phi_{,\mu} \phi_{,\nu} (\psi^{,\nu} \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi} - \psi \sigma^{\mu} \bar{\psi}^{,\nu}) + \dots$$

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$$= \frac{\Delta}{4\phi^{4}} (\partial \phi^{,\mu} (\psi^{,\nu} \phi^{,\mu} \bar{\psi}^{,\nu}) + \dots$$

# Supersymmetric Extension of $\mathcal{L}_4$ :

Not unique. One choice is

$$\begin{split} \hat{\mathcal{L}}_{4}^{\text{SUSY}} &= \left. \left( \frac{1}{64(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{2}} \{D, \bar{D}\} (D\Phi D\Phi) \{D, \bar{D}\} (\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}) \right. \\ &- \frac{1}{128(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{2}} \left[ \{D, \bar{D}\} (\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger}) \{D, \bar{D}\} (D\Phi D\Phi) \bar{D}^{2} \Phi^{\dagger} + \text{h.c.} \right] \\ &- \frac{1}{5 \times 64(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{3}} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger} \{D, \bar{D}\} \{D, \bar{D}\} (\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger}) \\ &+ \frac{6}{5 \times 64(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{3}} (D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}^{2}\Phi^{\dagger} + \text{h.c.}) \{D, \bar{D}\} \Phi\{D, \bar{D}\} \Phi^{\dagger} \\ &- \frac{9}{2^{8} \times 5(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{4}} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger} \left( \{D, \bar{D}\} (\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger}) \{D, \bar{D}\} (\Phi - \Phi^{\dagger}) \right)^{2} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2^{8}(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{2}} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger} \{D, \bar{D}\} D^{2}\Phi\{D, \bar{D}\} \bar{D}^{2}\Phi^{\dagger} \\ &- \frac{1}{2^{9}(\Phi + \Phi^{\dagger})^{2}} D\Phi D\Phi \bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger}\bar{D}\Phi^{\dagger} \left[ \{D, \bar{D}\} \Phi\{D, \bar{D}\} D^{2}\Phi \right]^{2} \right) \Big|_{\theta\theta\bar{\theta}\bar{\theta}\bar{\theta}} \end{split}$$

# In component fields on condensate background

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{4} \text{ by parts}$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{4, \text{quad}, X=\text{const}} = -\frac{1}{4\phi^{2}}\partial_{\mu}(\partial\phi)^{2}\partial^{\mu}(\partial\phi)^{2} + \frac{1}{\phi^{2}}\Box\phi\phi^{,\mu}\phi^{,\nu}\phi_{,\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4\phi^{3}}(\partial\phi)^{4}\Box\phi$$

$$+\frac{9}{10\phi^{4}}(\partial\phi)^{4}(\partial\chi)^{2} + \frac{3}{\phi^{3}}(\partial\phi)^{4}F^{*}F + \frac{9i}{5\phi^{4}}(\partial\phi)^{4}(\psi_{,\nu}\sigma^{\nu}\bar{\psi} - \psi\sigma^{\nu}\bar{\psi}_{,\nu})$$

$$F \text{ auxiliary} \qquad \text{Lorentz - covariant}$$

## **Physical Conclusions:**

Putting everything together, for

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{SUSY}} = c_2 \mathcal{L}_2^{\text{SUSY}} + c_3 \mathcal{L}_3^{\text{SUSY}} + c_4 \mathcal{L}_4^{\text{SUSY}}$$

we find (setting  $c=H_0$ )

 $c_{2} - \frac{3}{2}c_{3}H_{0}^{2} + \frac{3}{2}c_{4}H_{0}^{4} = 0 \qquad \Rightarrow \text{ ghost condensate solution}$   $c_{2} - 3c_{3}H_{0}^{2} + \frac{9}{2}c_{4}H_{0}^{4} > 0 \qquad \Rightarrow \text{ stable boson fluctuations}$   $c_{2} + \frac{3}{2}c_{3}H_{0}^{2} + \frac{3}{2}c_{4}H_{0}^{4} < 0 \qquad \Rightarrow \text{ NEC violation}$   $c_{2} - \frac{3}{2}c_{3}H_{0}^{2} + \frac{18}{5}c_{4}H_{0}^{4} > 0 \qquad \Rightarrow \text{ correct sign fermion fluctuations}$ 

Can be simultaneously satisfied as long as

$$c_2 < \frac{3}{2}c_3H_0^2 < 0$$

⇒ supersymmetric conformal Galileon theory that a) admits Lorentz-violating ghost condensate vacuum, b) is ghost free with no gradient instability and c) violates the NEC!