

Properties:

- ① Sum of two superfields is also a superfield
- ② Product of two superfields is also a superfield

Meaning of above statements:

$$\text{Let } X(t, \theta, \theta^*) = x + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \theta \psi^* + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \psi \theta^* + \frac{\hbar}{m} \theta \theta^* F$$

$$Y(t, \theta, \theta^*) = y + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \theta \xi^* + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \xi \theta^* + \frac{\hbar}{m} \theta \theta^* G$$

be two superfields (which is a statement about how  $x, \psi, \psi^*, F, y, \xi, \xi^*, G$  transform),

$$\text{namely } x \rightarrow x + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} (\alpha \psi^* - \alpha^* \psi)$$

$$y \rightarrow y + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} (\alpha \xi^* - \alpha^* \xi)$$

Check property #2:

$$X(t, \theta, \theta^*) Y(t, \theta, \theta^*)$$

$$= \left( x + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \theta \psi^* + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \psi \theta^* + \frac{\hbar}{m} \theta \theta^* F \right) \left( y + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \theta \xi^* + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \xi \theta^* + \frac{\hbar}{m} \theta \theta^* G \right)$$

$$= xy + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} x \theta \xi^* + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} x \xi \theta^* + \frac{\hbar}{m} \theta \theta^* x G$$

$$+ \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \theta \psi^* y + \frac{\hbar}{m} \theta \psi^* \xi \theta^* + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \psi \theta^* y + \frac{\hbar}{m} \psi \theta^* \xi \theta^* + \frac{\hbar}{m} \theta \theta^* F y$$

$$= xy + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \theta (x \xi^* + y \psi^*) + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} (x \xi + y \psi) \theta^*$$

$$+ \frac{\hbar}{m} \theta \theta^* (x G + y F + \psi^* \xi + \xi^* \psi)$$

Terminology: coefficient of "1" of superfield is lowest/bottom component  
 " "  $\theta \theta^*$  of superfield is highest/top component.

Each of these four coefficients must transform according to the defining property of a superfield.

e.g. the bottom component must transform

$$(xy) \rightarrow (xy) + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \left[ \alpha (x \xi^* + y \psi^*) - \alpha^* (x \xi + y \psi) \right]$$

check using transformation law of  $x$  &  $y$ :

$$(xy) \longrightarrow \left( x + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} (\alpha \psi^* - \alpha^* \psi) \right) \left( y + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} (\alpha \xi^* - \alpha^* \xi) \right)$$

$$= \overset{\text{square term}}{xy} + \overset{\text{cross terms}}{\sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} x (\alpha \xi^* - \alpha^* \xi) + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} y (\alpha \psi^* - \alpha^* \psi)} + \overset{\text{higher order}}{O(\alpha)^2}$$

$$= xy + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m}} \left[ \alpha (x \xi^* + y \psi^*) - \alpha^* (x \xi + y \psi) \right]$$

match!

easy to check other components match.

Reason this works is infinitesimal SUSY variations obey Leibniz rule:

$$xy \longrightarrow xy + \delta(xy)$$

$$\equiv xy + (\delta x)y + x(\delta y)$$

- thanks to the fact that SUSY is linearized on SUSY space.

{ example when this does not work:

$$x \longrightarrow x + \alpha x^2 \quad (\text{non-linear})$$

$$(x^2) \longrightarrow (x^2) + \alpha (x^2)^2$$

$$xx \longrightarrow (x + \alpha x^2)(x + \alpha x^2) = x^2 + 2\alpha x^3 + O(\alpha^2)$$