Precision relations of masses to Lagrangian parameters in SUSY

SUSY 2006
June 16, 2006

Stephen P. Martin
Northern Illinois University and Fermilab

I will report on 2-loop and leading 3-loop contributions to gluino and Higgs masses in the MSSM. (Preprints to appear.)
Most of what we do not already know about supersymmetric extensions of the Standard Model involves soft SUSY-breaking parameters with positive mass dimension.

The apparent unification of gauge couplings in the MSSM invites us to extrapolate the soft masses up to high scales, to see if they obey some Organizing Principle.
Gaugino Mass Unification is a popular and recurring theme.

\[ M_1(Q) = M_2(Q) = M_3(Q) \equiv m_{1/2} \quad \text{at} \quad Q \approx 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV}, \]

resulting in

\[ M_1 : M_2 : M_3 \approx 1 : 2 : 6 \]

for \( Q \) near the TeV scale.

To test this, or alternatives to it, we have to relate physical masses to running masses in the Lagrangian (with no superpartners decoupled).

Goal: reduce purely theoretical sources of uncertainty to a negligible level, if possible.

(Experimental sources of error are a big problem, but not MY problem.)
Predictions of a typical Organizing Principle:

Determination of the running gluino mass parameter $M_3$ is crucial. It feeds “strongly” into any attempt to connect TeV scale physics with high-scale Organizing Principles in SUSY. The uncertainty in $M_3$ will likely dominate the errors in this effort, in the long run.
More generally, 2-loop (and some 3-loop) corrections to superpartner and Higgs masses will be mandatory if SUSY is correct, if we want experiment to be the dominant source of error in understanding Organizing Principles of SUSY breaking.

These calculations are hard. So, do them once for a general theory, and then specialize.

In this talk, I will discuss new results for the 3-loop contributions to the gluino and Higgs masses.
I have computed the 2-loop fermion pole masses in a general renormalizable theory with massless gauge bosons, in hep-ph/0509115.

Each diagram is reduced to a linear combination of basis integrals, ready to be computed numerically using the computer program TSIL (SPM, D.G. Robertson 2005).

Special case applications within the MSSM include the top quark mass, neutralino and chargino masses, and the gluino.

+ fermion mass insertions
+ ghost diagrams
+ counterterms
Checks on the calculation of 2-loop fermion pole masses:

- Independent of gauge-fixing parameter
  Individual diagrams depend on $\xi$; cancels in pole mass

- Pole mass is renormalization group invariant
  Checked analytically at 2-loop order; numerical check below

- Absence of divergent logs on shell
  Individual diagrams have $\log(1 - p^2/m^2)$, divergent as $p^2 \to m^2$; must and do cancel in pole mass

- Checks in (unphysical) supersymmetric limit
  Agrees with earlier calculation of scalar pole mass (SPM hep-ph/0502168)
Gluino pole mass at 2-loop order


The full formulas are a little too complicated to be presented in a talk, but are in the second paper. A C program based on TSIL can be obtained at:

zippy.physics.niu.edu/gluinopole/

Instead, I'll just show some simple special approximations.

In the following, squarks are always assumed to be degenerate and quarks to be massless, for simplicity. Also,

\[ \alpha_s, \ M_3, \ \text{and} \ m_{\text{squark}} \]

refer to running parameters in the \( \overline{\text{DR}} \) scheme, evaluated at a renormalization scale \( Q = M_3(Q) \).

The pole mass \( M_{\tilde{g}}^{\text{pole}} \) is computed in terms of these.
Example: In the special case of degenerate running masses, $M_3 = m_{\text{squark}}$, the result for the pole mass simplifies and can be written analytically:

$$M_{\tilde{g}}^{\text{pole}} = M_3 \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right)^2 \left\{ 54\zeta(3) + \pi^2 (53 - 36 \ln 2) - 90 \right\} + \ldots \right]$$

$$= M_3 \left[ 1 + 0.716 \alpha_s + 1.59 \alpha_s^2 + \ldots \right]$$

($M_3$ and $\alpha_s$ are running parameters evaluated at $Q = M_3$ in non-decoupled theory.)

However, the corrections for heavier squarks are quite large...
Dependence of gluino pole mass correction on the squark masses

For heavier squarks, part of the large corrections come from large logarithms that can be resummed using the renormalization group.

For \( m_{\text{squark}} \gg M_3 \):

\[
M_{\tilde{g}}^{\text{pole}} = M_3 \left[ 1 + 0.955(L + 1)\alpha_s + (0.46L^2 + 1.53L + 0.90)\alpha_s^2 + \ldots \right]
\]

where \( L \equiv \ln(m_{\text{squark}}/M_3) \).

**Obvious Questions:** How big is the theoretical error? Can we estimate the 3-loop corrections? Is perturbation theory under control?
How NOT to estimate theoretical error: RG scale dependence

Run $\alpha_S, M_3$ from $Q_0$ to a new RG scale $Q$, recompute pole mass:

Red $= 1$-loop, Blue $= 2$-loop

Scale dependence of 2-loop result is $< 1\%$.

But, the 2-loop correction is much larger than the 1-loop scale dependence!

Dependence of the computation on the choice of RG scale significantly underestimates the true theoretical error.
A more useful estimate of the error uses RG and effective field theory techniques to obtain the 3-loop contributions for large

\[ L = \ln\left(\frac{m_{\text{squark}}}{M_3}\right). \]

Crucial ingredients:

- **2-loop** threshold corrections for \( M_3 \) in MSSM (SPM 2006)
- **2-loop** threshold corrections for \( \alpha_s \) in MSSM (Bern, DeFreitas, Dixon, Wong 2002; Harlander, Mihaila, Steinhauser 2005)
- **2-loop** pole mass in a theory with only fermions (Gray, Broadhurst, Grafe, Schilcher 1990)
- **3-loop** mass beta function in a theory with only fermions, but in different reps (Tarasov 1982, unpublished, available from KEK server, only in Russian!)
Three-loop gluino mass corrections for heavy squarks

Exploit the fact that beta functions are easier to compute, known to $\geq 3$-loop order. Let the running parameters in the full MSSM be $\alpha_s, M_3$, and in the effective theory with squarks decoupled, $\hat{\alpha}_s, \hat{M}_3$.

\[ L = \ln\left( \frac{M_{\text{squarks}}}{M_3} \right) \]

2-loop threshold corrections give $(\hat{\alpha}_s, \hat{M}_3) \leftrightarrow (\alpha_s, M_3)$

3-loop $\hat{\alpha}_s$ and $\hat{M}_3$ beta functions known (same as “Split SUSY”)

3-loop $M_{\tilde{g}}^{\text{pole}}$ known in terms of $\hat{\alpha}_s$ and $\hat{M}_3$

Standard Model: 4-loop QCD beta function known
Using the effective field theory matching and RG running technique, one obtains all terms of order

\[ \alpha_s^n L^n \] 1-loop $\beta$ functions, 0-loop threshold matching

\[ \alpha_s^n L^{n-1} \] 2-loop $\beta$ functions, 1-loop threshold matching

\[ \alpha_s^n L^{n-2} \] 3-loop $\beta$ functions, 2-loop threshold matching

for all $n$. The 3-loop pole mass for the gluino is:

\[
M_{\tilde{g}}^{\text{pole}} = M_3 \left[ 1 + 0.955 (L + 1) \alpha_s \\
+ (0.46L^2 + 1.53L + 0.90) \alpha_s^2 \\
+ (0.19L^3 + 0.32L^2 + 1.38L + ???) \alpha_s^3 \\
+ \mathcal{O}(M_3^2/m_{\tilde{Q}}^2) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4) \right]
\]

- The “leading log” does NOT dominate.
- Only a real 3-loop pole mass calculation can tell us what ??? is.
Three-loop “log-enhanced” effects on the gluino pole mass

The three-loop log corrections are only shown for $m_{\text{squarks}}/M_3 > 1.5$, where the approximation may start to become meaningful.

The actual 3-loop correction involves a non-log-enhanced piece, not captured in this analysis. However, circumstantially, this seems likely to be under 1%.
Another handle on the 3-loop contribution to the gluino pole mass.

The 3-loop pole mass for a heavy color octet fermion in the presence of 6 ordinary light quarks can be inferred from Melnikov and van Ritbergen (1999):

\[
M_{\tilde{g}}^{\text{pole}} = \hat{M}_3 \left[ 1 + 0.955 \hat{\alpha}_s + 1.69 \hat{\alpha}_s^2 + 3.4 \hat{\alpha}_s^3 + \mathcal{O}(\hat{\alpha}_s^4) \right]
\]

Note well: this is the result in an effective theory without squarks.

Equivalently, this is the result you would get in the MSSM if you “forgot” to compute all diagrams involving squarks, and worked in \( \overline{\text{MS}} \) instead of \( \overline{\text{DR}} \).

The \( \hat{\alpha}_S^3 \) contribution is agreeably small.

BUT WAIT! Maybe it is only small here because of accidental cancellation?
In fact, there is a fermion-boson loop cancellation (but not due to SUSY!)

Divide the 3-loop contribution into eleven distinct group theory invariants:

\[
M_{\text{pole}}^3/\left(\hat{\alpha}_s^3 M_3\right) = 3.4 \\
= \left[ +13.8 \quad \text{(massless quarks in loop)} \right] \\
-11.4 \quad \text{(massless quarks in loops)} \\
+1.7 \\
-0.9 \\
\text{+(seven smaller terms)} \]

The big contributions all come from diagrams without heavy particle loops.

So maybe it is roughly numerically correct to just add this to the existing 2-loop contribution?
Including the contribution of gluons and quarks:

Neglects, in the 3-loop part:

- squark loop effects not enhanced by logs
- epsilon scalars in $\overline{\text{DR}}$
2-loop corrections to scalar self-energies and pole masses in a general renormalizable theory (hep-ph/0502168)

(Approximation: vector boson masses neglected in diagrams with two or more vector propagators.)

Applications to Higgs masses, slepton masses and squark masses in the MSSM.

+ fermion mass insertions + ghosts + counterterms
Many different groups have attacked the problem of the $h^0$ mass using different schemes (On-shell, $\overline{\text{DR}}$) and methods (diagrammatic, effective potential, effective field theory + RG), and combinations of these.

The most important 2-loop corrections are now known in all approaches. But, what about 3 loops?

For example, Degrassi et al (hep-ph/0212020) estimate a 1-1.5 GeV contribution coming from leading log 3-loop effects, if $M_{\text{squark}} = 1000$ GeV.

To address this, I combine:

- diagrammatic approach at 2 loops
- effective field theory + RG method for leading and next-to-leading log 3-loop corrections in the non-decoupled $\overline{\text{DR}}$ scheme.
Schematic picture of the strategy:

Full MSSM, no decoupling

\[ L = \ln\left( \frac{M_{\text{SUSY}}}{M_{\text{top}}} \right) \]

Threshold corrections for \( \lambda \) (2-loop) and \( y_t, \nu, g_3 \) (1-loop) from diagrammatic calculations

2-loop Standard Model beta functions for \( \lambda, \hat{y}_t, \hat{\nu} \) and \( \hat{g}_3 \) known

2-loop \( M_{h^0}^{\text{pole}} \) known in terms of \( \lambda, \hat{y}_t, \hat{\nu} \) and \( \hat{g}_3 \)

This gives all contributions at \( N \) loop order of the form:

\[ g_3^{2j} y_t^{2N-2j} L^N \]

\[ g_3^{2j} y_t^{2N-2j} L^{N-1} \]

for each \( j = 1, 2, \ldots N \).
For simplicity, in this talk I will present the result in the following limits:

- Heavy Higgs decoupling $m_{A^0} \gg m_{h^0}$.
- Large $\sin \beta \approx 1$
- Small top squark mixing
- $y_t$ and $g_3$ 3-loop corrections only
- Heavy, degenerate superpartners with mass $M_{SUSY} \gg m_{\text{top}}$.

Define: $L \equiv \ln(M_{SUSY}/m_{\text{top}})$
Three-loop correction to the lightest Higgs squared mass in MSSM:

\[
\Delta m_{h^0}^2 = \frac{1}{(16\pi^2)^3} y_t^2 m_t^2 \left[ (5888 g_3^4 - 5376 g_3^2 y_t^2 + 720 y_t^4) L^3 \\
+ (2304 g_3^4 - 1440 g_3^2 y_t^2 + 666 y_t^4) L^2 \\
+ (???) L + (???) \right]
\]

- All parameters are running $\overline{\text{DR}}$, evaluated at $Q = M_{\text{SUSY}}$
- Significant cancellation between strong and Yukawa effects (more fortuitous than in other schemes)
- Squark mixing and non-degeneracy is significant (to appear)
- To get $???$, need 3-loop Standard Model Higgs coupling beta function, and 2-loop threshold corrections
- To get $???$, need a real 3-loop calculation.
Numerically, these 3-loop $L^3$ and $L^2$ corrections for the $h^0$ mass look like:

(Assumes $m_{h^0} = 120$ GeV.)

Top squark mixing adds a significant correction to the $L^2$ piece (to appear).
Conclusion:

“Stupidity is ... reaching a conclusion.”
–Anonymous(?)
Questions

• How, precisely, does the gluino pole mass relate to the gluino mass that will be reported by LHC experiments?  
  Is the difference negligible?

• How, precisely, do the other sparticle pole masses relate to the masses that will be reported by the LHC and ILC?  
  The differences seem unlikely to be negligible.

• What will be the best way(s) to organize input parameters vs. output parameters?

• What, if anything, can the ILC do to help pin down the gluino mass parameter?