

Superpartner solutions of a BPS monopole in noncommutative space

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We construct $U(2)$ BPS monopole superpartner solutions in $N=2$ noncommutative super-Yang-Mills theory. The calculation to second order in the noncommutative parameter θ shows that there is no electric quadrupole moment that is expected from the magnetic dipole structure of noncommutative $U(2)$ monopole. This might give an example of the nature of how supersymmetry works without changing between the commutative and noncommutative theories.

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The decoupling limit of the world volume theory on D3-branes in the Neveu-Schwarz–Neveu-Schwarz (NS-NS) 2-form background is described by the noncommutative super-Yang-Mills (SYM) theory, in which Bogomolnyi-Prasad-Sommerfield (BPS) monopoles exist as a stable state because it can be broken by the Higgs mechanism just like the ordinary SYM theory. The solution to the BPS equation of the $U(2)$ noncommutative monopole to first order in θ has been studied in [1,2], and the second-order solution is in [3]. The solution has the generalized rotational invariance and exhibits a dipole structure [4–6] in the magnetic field of the monopole.¹

On the other hand, it is well known that ordinary BPS monopoles of $N=2$ Yang-Mills theory are invariant under half the supersymmetry generators and hence form a four-dimensional, short representation of the supersymmetry algebra [7].² From the work of Jackiw and Rebbi [9], we know that the angular momentum of spinning monopoles is carried by the quantized states of fermionic zero modes. For a single BPS monopole, the fermionic zero modes are generated by *infinitesimal* broken supersymmetry transformations. What we get by acting with a *finite* transformation is then the back-reaction of the fermionic zero modes on the other fields. Because of the quantized nature of the fermionic zero-mode states [9], the fields of the monopole superpartner solution are necessarily operator valued.

In [10] we have studied the long-range fields of the different states in the ordinary $N=2$ BPS monopole supermultiplet. Following the work of Aichelburg and Embacher on $N=2$ BPS black holes [11], we generate the fields of a monopole “superpartner” solution by acting on the bosonic monopole with an arbitrary, finite, broken supersymmetry transformation, in which we have found that the operator-valued electric dipole moment is proportional to the angular momentum operator with a gyroelectric ratio $g=2$ and the quadrupole moment tensor is found to vanish identically for all spin states.

This vanishing quadrupole moment tensor is in contrast with the result of [11] on $N=2$ black hole superpartners for which these variations are nonzero, which is one of the motivation of this paper together with the fact that the $U(1)$ part of the magnetic field of the noncommutative $U(2)$ monopole exhibits a dipole structure. If noncommutativity produces a magnetic dipole structure to the $U(2)$ monopole, then one can expect the electric quadrupole moment [12] and it would be interesting to see if there exists an electric quadrupole moment that is not found in an ordinary $SU(2)$ monopole [10]. However, our calculation gives a negative answer. Up to $O(\theta^2)$ in tree level, we show that there is no quadrupole moment. This result might be an example of the nature of how supersymmetry works not changing between the commutative and noncommutative theories.

In the following we will construct the BPS monopole superpartner solutions of the $N=2$ noncommutative super-Yang-Mills theory, by applying the Seiberg-Witten map to all superpartner fields to the second order in θ . As a check, up to $O(\theta^2)$ we showed explicitly that the angular momentum operator and the electric dipole moment are independent of noncommutativity.

We restrict ourselves to the case where the nonvanishing component of the noncommutative parameter is $\theta_{12} = -\theta_{21} = \theta$, excluding the effect of time noncommutativity. We shall take $U(2)$ as the gauge group because $SU(2)$ is not closed under the $*$ product that is defined by

$$(f * g)(x) \equiv f(x)g(x) + \frac{i}{2} \theta^{\rho\sigma} \partial_\rho f(x) \partial_\sigma g(x) - \frac{1}{8} \theta^{\rho\sigma} \theta^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\rho \partial_\alpha f(x) \partial_\sigma \partial_\beta g(x) + O(\theta^3). \quad (1)$$

This equation replaces ordinary multiplication in describing noncommutative theory. Small θ expansion is adopted in all fields. For example, the scalar Higgs field

$$\hat{S} = \hat{S}^A T^A = (\hat{S}^a + \hat{S}_{(1)}^a + \hat{S}_{(2)}^a) T^a + (\hat{S}^0 + \hat{S}_{(1)}^0 + \hat{S}_{(2)}^0) T^0, \quad (2)$$

where the quantities with a hat denote those in the noncommutative description, the subscripts (n) denote the quantities at $O(\theta^n)$, and $a=1,2,3$, and T^A are the anti-Hermitian

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¹This dipole structure can be visualized from the brane picture as D -string stretched between parallel D3-branes. When a background B field is turned on along the branes, the suspended D string is tilted because the two endpoints carry opposite charges.

²See, e.g., [8] for a good review of this subject.

generators of $U(2)$ Lie algebra. Throughout this paper, this notation will be understood and other settings are the same as in [10].

We now turn to the construction of the noncommutative BPS monopole superpartner solutions.³ We work in $N=2$ Yang-Mills theory with gauge group $U(2)$. The Lagrangian is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{N=2} = & \text{Tr} \left(-\frac{1}{4} \hat{F}_{\mu\nu} * \hat{F}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} (D_\mu \hat{P})^2 - \frac{1}{2} (D_\mu \hat{S})^2 \right. \\ & - \frac{e^2}{2} [\hat{S}, \hat{P}]_*^2 + i \hat{\psi} \gamma^\mu * D_\mu \hat{\psi} - e \hat{\psi} * [\hat{S}, \hat{\psi}]_* \\ & \left. - e \hat{\psi} \gamma_5 * [\hat{P}, \hat{\psi}]_* \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where all fields are $U(2)$ Lie algebra valued, e.g., $\hat{S} = \hat{S}^A \hat{T}^A$, \hat{S} , and \hat{P} are two scalar Higgs fields and $\hat{\psi}$ is a Dirac fermion. The non-Abelian electric and magnetic field strengths are defined by $\hat{E}^{Ai} = -\hat{F}^{A0i}$ and $\hat{B}^{Ai} = -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ijk} \hat{F}_{jk}^A$.

Corresponding global supersymmetry transformations

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \hat{A}_\mu &= i \bar{\alpha} \gamma_\mu \hat{\psi} - i \hat{\psi} \gamma_\mu \alpha, & \delta \hat{P} &= \bar{\alpha} \gamma_5 \hat{\psi} - \hat{\psi} \gamma_5 \alpha, \\ \delta \hat{S} &= i \bar{\alpha} \hat{\psi} - i \hat{\psi} \alpha, \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta \hat{\psi} = \left(\frac{1}{2} \gamma^{\mu\nu} \hat{F}_{\mu\nu} - i \gamma^\mu D_\mu \hat{S} + \gamma^\mu D_\mu \hat{P} \gamma_5 - i [\hat{P}, \hat{S}]_* \gamma_5 \right) \alpha, \quad (4)$$

where the parameter α is a Grassmann-valued Dirac spinor.⁴ For a static, BPS monopole field configuration with $\hat{P} = \hat{A}_0 = \hat{\psi} = 0$ and

$$D_i \hat{S}^A = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{F}_{jk}^A, \quad (5)$$

only the fermion $\hat{\psi}$ has a nontrivial supersymmetry variation given by

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \hat{\psi}^a &= -2 \gamma^k (D_k \hat{S}^a) P_- \alpha, \\ \delta \hat{\psi}_{(1)}^0 &= -2 \gamma^k (D_k \hat{S})_{(1)}^0 P_- \alpha, \\ \delta \hat{\psi}_{(2)}^a &= -2 \gamma^k (D_k \hat{S})_{(2)}^a P_- \alpha, \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where $P_\pm = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \Gamma_5)$ are projection operators with $\Gamma_5 = -i \gamma_0 \gamma_5$. If we define projected spinors α_\pm satisfying $P_\pm \alpha_\pm = \alpha_\pm$, then α_+ generates unbroken supersymmetry transformations, while α_- generates broken supersymmetry transformations. The variation $\delta \hat{\psi}$ under a broken supersymmetry transformation gives a zero mode of the fermion field equation in the monopole background.

At second-order variations, $\delta^2 S$ and $\delta^2 A_k$ vanish and we find only nonzero variations for P and A_0 given by

$$\delta^2 A_0^a = -\delta^2 P^a = -4i(\alpha^\dagger \gamma^k \alpha) D_k S^a,$$

$$(\delta^2 A)_{(1)}^0 = -(\delta^2 P)_{(1)}^0 = -4i(\alpha^\dagger \gamma^k \alpha) (D_k S)_{(1)}^0, \quad (7)$$

$$(\delta^2 A_0)_{(2)}^a = -(\delta^2 P)_{(2)}^a = -4i(\alpha^\dagger \gamma^k \alpha) (D_k S)_{(2)}^a.$$

These reduce to dipole fields in the long-range limit. Interestingly, the third- and fourth-order variations of all the fields turn out to vanish even in the noncommutative sector. In particular, the third-order variation of ψ is found to be

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^3 \psi^a &= 8i(\alpha^\dagger \gamma^k \alpha) \{ \gamma^0 \gamma^l D_l D_k S^a + e \gamma^0 \epsilon^{abc} (D_k S^b) S^c \} P_+ \alpha, \\ \delta^3 \psi_{(1)}^0 &= 8i(\alpha^\dagger \gamma^k \alpha) [\gamma^0 \gamma^l \{ \partial_l D_k S_{(1)}^0 - \frac{1}{2} \theta^{\rho\sigma} \partial_\rho (D_k S^a) \partial_\sigma A_l^a \} \\ &+ e \gamma^0 \frac{1}{2} \theta^{\rho\sigma} \partial_\rho (D_k S^a) \partial_\sigma S_a] P_+ \alpha, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^3 \psi_{(2)}^a &= 8i(\alpha^\dagger \gamma^k \alpha) (\gamma^0 \gamma^l \{ \partial_l D_k S_{(2)}^a - e \epsilon^{abc} [(D_k S^b) A_l^c]_{(2)} \\ &- \frac{1}{8} \theta^{\rho\sigma} \theta^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\rho \partial_\alpha (D_k S^b) \partial_\sigma \partial_\beta A_l^c \} \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \theta^{\rho\sigma} [\partial_\rho (D_k S^a) \partial_\sigma A_{l(1)}^0 + \partial_\rho (D_k S)_{(1)}^0 \partial_\sigma A_l^a \} \\ &+ \gamma^0 \{ e \epsilon^{abc} [(D_k S^b) S_{(2)}^c + (D_k S)_{(2)}^0] S^c \\ &- \frac{1}{8} \theta^{\rho\sigma} \theta^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\rho \partial_\alpha (D_k S^b) \partial_\sigma \partial_\beta S^c \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \theta^{\rho\sigma} [\partial_\rho (D_k S)_{(1)}^0 \partial_\sigma S^a \}]) P_+ \alpha, \end{aligned}$$

which vanish because $P_+ \alpha = 0$ for the broken supersymmetries. The fourth-order variations of the bosonic fields then vanish because they are each proportional to $\delta^3 \psi$. Note, the vanishing of the third- and fourth-order variations of the fields implies a vanishing quadrupole moment tensor for all states in the monopole BPS multiplet and is different from the variation of the $N=2$ black hole supermultiplet, for which these variations are nonzero [11]. It turns out that the BPS monopole exhibits no electromagnetic quadrupole structure in both the commutative and noncommutative spaces, and that the dipole structure of noncommutative monopole does not give rise to the electric quadrupole moment up to $O(\theta^2)$, the same of which holds apparently for any arbitrary higher order in θ . This result is disappointing. It is mainly from the fact that noncommutativity influences only the spacial part of field variations, not the spin structure when supersymmetry transformation is done. In order to check this, let us see the invariance of the angular momentum operator.

The fermionic fields $\hat{\psi}^A$ may be expanded in the monopole background as

$$\hat{\psi}^{a\rho} = -2(\gamma^k)^\rho \sigma \hat{\alpha}^\sigma D_k \hat{S}^a + \text{nonzero modes},$$

$$\hat{\psi}_{(1)}^{0\rho} = -2(\gamma^k)^\rho \sigma \hat{\alpha}^\sigma (D_k \hat{S})_{(1)}^0 + \text{nonzero modes}, \quad (9)$$

$$\hat{\psi}_{(2)}^{a\rho} = -2(\gamma^k)^\rho \sigma \hat{\alpha}^\sigma (D_k \hat{S})_{(2)}^a + \text{nonzero modes},$$

³See [10] for ordinary superpartner solutions in detail.

⁴Our conventions for the Minkowski metric are ‘‘mostly minus’’ $\eta_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(+1, -1, -1, -1)$ and $\gamma_5 = +i \gamma_0 \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \gamma_3$.

where ρ, σ are spinor indices and we have explicitly displayed only the zero-mode part of the expansion. Using the orthogonality of zero modes and nonzero modes, we can then express the spinorial parameters $\hat{\alpha}^\lambda$ and $\hat{\alpha}_\lambda^\dagger$ as⁵

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\alpha}^\lambda &= +\frac{1}{2M} \int d^3x (\gamma^l)^\lambda{}_\rho \hat{\psi}^{\rho a} D_l \hat{S}^a, \\ \hat{\alpha}_\lambda^\dagger &= -\frac{1}{2M} \int d^3x \hat{\psi}_\rho^{a\dagger} (\gamma^l)^\rho{}_\lambda D_l \hat{S}^a,\end{aligned}\tag{10}$$

where $M=4\pi v/e$ is the mass of the monopole⁶ and this form is that of the commutative case because the mass term arising from noncommutativity

$$\begin{aligned}\int d^3x \eta^{kl} \{ (D_k \hat{S})_{(2)}^a D_l \hat{S}^a + (D_k \hat{S}^a) D_l \hat{S}_{(2)}^a + (D_k \hat{S})_{(1)}^0 \hat{S}_{(1)}^0 \} \\ = -M_{(2)}\end{aligned}\tag{11}$$

vanishes.⁷ It is because the contributions from noncommutative fields fall off faster than $1/r^2$ compared to the commutative ones,⁸ which makes the second-order mass vanish. Consequently, the angular momentum vector has no correction from the noncommutativity as expected,

$$J^k = 2iM(\alpha^\dagger \gamma^k \alpha).\tag{12}$$

⁵See [10] for angular momentum operator in detail.

⁶Here we have made use of the result $\int d^3x \eta^{kl} (D_k \hat{S}^a) D_l \hat{S}^a = -M$.

⁷ $M_{(1)}$ also vanishes because the scalar solution is not influenced by noncommutativity at $O(\theta)$.

⁸We use noncommutative BPS solutions in [1–3].

As another check, we now turn to the long-range limit of the electric field for the monopole superpartner solution up to $O(\theta^2)$. The results for the long-range electric fields $\hat{E}^i = \hat{F}_{0i} \equiv (1/v) \hat{S}^A * \hat{F}_{0i}^A$ obtained are

$$\begin{aligned}E^i &= -\frac{2i}{e} (\alpha^\dagger \gamma^k \alpha) \left\{ \frac{3x^k x^i}{r^5} - \frac{\delta^{ki}}{r^3} \right\}, \\ E_{(1)}^i &= 0, \\ E_{(2)}^i &= -\frac{2i}{e} (\alpha^\dagger \gamma^k \alpha) \{ \text{no dipole-field-like terms} \},\end{aligned}\tag{13}$$

which shows that a dipole field with dipole moment vector $\vec{p} = -(2i/e)(\alpha^\dagger \vec{\gamma} \alpha)$ can be seen only in the commutative sector and that the electric dipole moment proportional to angular momentum operator, thus also the gyroelectric ratio $g=2$ [13–15], obtain no corrections from noncommutativity.

In conclusion, we considered the $U(2)$ monopole in noncommutative space by constructing superpartner solutions up to $O(\theta^2)$. We found no electric quadrupole moment that is expected [12] by the dipole structure of noncommutative $U(2)$ monopole, which is because spin is independent of noncommutativity. As a check, up to $O(\theta^2)$ we showed explicitly that the angular momentum operator and the electric dipole moment obtain no correction from noncommutativity. In a more broad perspective, this result might give an example of the nature of how supersymmetry works without changing between the commutative and noncommutative theories.

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