Multitwistor mechanics of massless superparticle on \( AdS_5 \times S^5 \) superbackground

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Abstract

Supertwistors relevant to \( AdS_5 \times S^5 \) superbackground of IIB supergravity are studied in the framework of the \( D = 10 \) massless superparticle model in the first-order formulation. Product structure of the background suggests using \( D = 1 + 4 \) Lorentz-harmonic variables to express momentum components tangent to \( AdS_5 \) and \( D = 5 \) harmonics to express momentum components tangent to \( S^5 \) that yields eight-supertwistor formulation of the superparticle’s Lagrangian. We find incidence relations of the supertwistors with the \( AdS_5 \times S^5 \) superspace coordinates and the set of the quadratic constraints that supertwistors satisfy. It is shown how using the constraints for the (Lorentz-)harmonic variables it is possible to reduce eight-supertwistor formulation to the four-supertwistor one. Respective supertwistors agree with those introduced previously in other models. Advantage of the four-supertwistor formulation is the presence only of the first-class constraints that facilitates analysis of the superparticle model.

1 Introduction

To study \( AdS/CFT \) correspondence \cite{1}, \cite{2}, \cite{3}, the best explored instance of which is provided by the duality of the Type IIB superstring on \( AdS_5 \times S^5 \) superbackground and \( N = 4 \) supersymmetric Yang-Mills theory on its 4-dimensional conformal boundary, it is commonly used the (super)space setting. Both theories are invariant under the \( SU(2,2|4) \) symmetry supergroup that was one of the primary arguments in favor of the duality. This symmetry supergroup is manifest and linearly realized in supertwistor space \cite{4}, \cite{5}. \( D = 4 \) \( N = 4 \) super-Yang-Mills theory can also be described in supertwistor or superambitwistor space at the level of supermultiplet \cite{6}, field equations \cite{7} and Lagrangian \cite{8}, \cite{9}, \cite{10}, \cite{11}. Thus it is natural to wonder whether \( AdS_5 \times S^5 \) superstring also admits a formulation in terms of supertwistors, what are these supertwistors and what implications such a formulation might have on the study of the \( AdS_5/CFT_4 \) correspondence. In the bosonic limit some of these issues were addressed recently in \cite{12}\(^2\). In particular, there was given the definition of twistors for \( AdS_5 \) space based on its realization as a projective manifold. Another definition of twistors \cite{14}, \cite{15}\(^3\) follows from considering point particle mechanics on \( AdS_5 \) and is based on the on-shell momentum realization as the product of two constrained spinors. Generalization of these twistors to the \( AdS_5 \times S^5 \) superbackground appears non-trivial since it is not superconformally flat \cite{19}.

Independently I. Bars in the framework of 2T approach \cite{20} proposed superparticle and tensionless superstring models \cite{21}, \cite{22} extended local symmetries of which can be fixed in a variety of ways. One of the gauges yields the first-order Lagrangian of the superparticle (tensionless superstring) in \( AdS_5 \times S^5 \) superspace. In another gauge dynamical variables of the model are supertwistors transforming in the fundamental representation of the \( SU(2,2|4) \)

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\(^2\)Earlier discussion of the role of supertwistors for \( AdS_5/CFT_4 \) correspondence can be found, e.g. in \cite{13}.
\(^3\)See also subsequent results in \cite{16}, \cite{17}, \cite{18}.
supergroup and fundamental representation of its gauged subgroup. These models provide an interesting alternative to the conventional way of introducing (super)twistors in particle (string, brane) models \[5\], \[6\], \[23\]-\[47\]. However, it is unclear how the incidence relations that connect supertwistor components and the superspace coordinates can be derived within this approach.

This motivated us to examine in Ref. \[48\] the traditional root of introducing supertwistors starting with the first-order representation of the massless superparticle Lagrangian on AdS$_5 \times S^5$ superbackground. Then we expressed momentum components tangent to AdS$_5$ and $S^5$ parts of the background in terms of the SU(2)-Majorana spinors for Spin(1, 4) and Spin(5) groups so that the 10-momentum null condition was translated into the constraint on the sum of the products of these spinors. Substituting the definition of the supervielbein bosonic components as Cartan 1-forms of the PSU(2, 2|4)/(SO(1, 4) × SO(5)) supercoset allowed to transfer to the supertwistor form of the superparticle’s Lagrangian. Respective SU(2, 2|4) supertwistors were assembled into SU(2) doublets that differ from one another by the Grassmann parity of their components and coincide with those found in \[22\]. The benefit of this approach is that it allows to find the incidence relations that connect the supertwistor components and AdS$_5 \times S^5$ supercoordinates via the PSU(2, 2|4)/(SO(1, 4) × SO(5)) representative. Explicit form of the incidence relations was derived for the particular example of the supercoset representative used to study the AdS$_5 \times S^5$ superstring mechanics \[49\], \[50\], \[51\]. Besides that, in the case when the superparticle’s momentum components tangent to 5-sphere vanish, we quantized the model in terms of the superoscillators \[52\] and superambitwistors and showed how the supermultiplet of D = 5 N = 8 gauged supergravity \[53\] fits into its spectrum of states.

The geometric way of introducing spinors in the models of point-like and extended (supersymmetric) relativistic objects is based on the formulations of their Lagrangians that involve components of the local orthonormal repere \[54\]. The repere matrix can be naturally identified with the element of the respective Lorentz group called vector Lorentz-harmonic matrix \[55\]. It can be expressed as the square of the spinor Lorentz-harmonic matrix \[56\], \[57\], \[58\] in analogy with the relation of the matrices of vector and spinor Lorentz transformations. In the case of D = 1 + 3 dimensions spinor Lorentz harmonics \[59\], \[60\] in the literature on twistors \[61\] were known as the normalized dyad.

Let us note that due to the local group isomorphism Spin(5) \simeq USp(4), Spin(5) harmonics that we use coincide with the USp(4) harmonics introduced in \[64\] and employed in \[65\], \[66\], \[67\], \[68\], \[69\] to study harmonic superspace formulations for various supersymmetric field theories in D = 3, 4, 6 dimensions.
to obtain four-supertwistor formulation of the superparticle. Since these supertwistors precisely coincide with those found in [22], we actually find the relation between the eight- and four-supertwistor formulations of the massless superparticle on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superbackground.

The organization of the paper is the following. In the next section as a warm up example we consider the model of the bosonic particle of mass $m$ on $AdS_5$. We introduce vector and spinor Lorentz harmonics that parametrize the $SO(1,4)/SO(4)$ coset and express particle’s momentum in terms of them. Then we transfer to the four-twistor formulation and find the set of the constraints that these twistors satisfy. It is shown that among them there are the second-class constraints. In section 3 using the harmonicity conditions we derive the reduced expression for the particle’s momentum that depends just on the half of the spinor Lorentz harmonics. Corresponding twistors and two-twistor particle’s Lagrangian are those of Ref. [14]. In [15] this model, that is characterized only by the first-class constraints, was quantized in terms of the $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ bosonic oscillators and was shown to describe $SU(2,2)$ irreducible representation with spin zero and $AdS$ energy $E = 2 + |m|$. We give alternative description of this representation in terms of the ambitwistors.

Section 4 is devoted to study of the massless superparticle on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superbackground. Momentum components tangent to $AdS_5$ and $S^5$ are expressed in terms of the $Spin(1,4)$ Lorentz harmonics and $Spin(5)$ harmonics. This allows to pass to the eight-supertwistor formulation of the superparticle’s Lagrangian with the supertwistors being the elements of the $(4|4) \times (4|4)$ supermatrix. We identify the set of the constraints for supertwistors and calculate their classical superalgebra to show that, similarly to the bosonic particle case, there are present the second-class constraints. Then in section 5 it is shown how proposed in [48] four-supertwistor formulation of the superparticle’s Lagrangian arises. We also consider the set of equations for the quantized superparticle’s wave function in the superambitwistor space.

Necessary details of the spinor algebra and the algebra of the constraints for the eight-supertwistor formulation for the massless superparticle are collected in the appendices.

## 2 Massive bosonic particle on $AdS_5$

As the starting point we choose the first-order form of the action of $D = 5$ massive bosonic particle

$$S_{AdS_5} = \int d\tau \mathcal{L}_{AdS_5}, \quad \mathcal{L}_{AdS_5} = p_{m'} E_{\tau}^{m'} - \frac{g}{2}(p_{m'}p^{m'} + m^2),$$

(2.1)

where $E_{\tau}^{m'}$ is the world-line pull-back of the $AdS_5$ vielbein 1-form. Particle’s 5-momentum can be set proportional to the time-like unit-norm vector $n_{m'}^{(0)}$

$$p_{m'}(\tau) = m n_{m'}^{(0)}(\tau)$$

(2.2)

that can be chosen as the first column of the $D = 5$ vector Lorentz-harmonic matrix

$$n_{m'}^{(k)}(\tau) = (n_{m'}^{(0)}, n_{m'}^{(I)}) \in SO(1,4) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad n_{m'}^{(k)} \eta^{m' n'} n_{n'}^{(l')} = \eta^{(k')(l')}.$$  

(2.3)

It is identified with the local orthonormal repere in the tangent space to the particle’s world line, the indices in brackets labelling the repere components. Orthonormality of the vector Lorentz harmonics implies that $n_{m'}^{(0)} n_{m'}^{(0)} = -1$ so that the particle’s mass-shell constraint is satisfied. Vector Lorentz-harmonics transform under left global and right local Lorentz rotations

$$n_{m'}^{(k')} \rightarrow L_{m'} n_{n'}^{(l')} R_{(l')}^{(k')}, \quad L \in SO(1,4)_L, \quad R \in SO(1,4)_R.$$  

(2.4)
Because \( n^{(0)}_{m'} \) is invariant only under the transformations from the subgroup \( SO(4)_R \subset SO(1,4)_R \) that enters the set of the gauge symmetries of the massive particle’s action, vector Lorentz harmonics parametrize the coset \( SO(1,4)/SO(4) \).

To transfer to the twistor form of the particle’s Lagrangian it is necessary to introduce \( Spin(1,4) \) Lorentz harmonics

\[
v^\alpha_\mu = (-v^a_\mu, v^{\dot{a}}_\mu)
\]

that can be viewed as the ‘square root’ of the vector Lorentz harmonics

\[
n^{(k)}_{m'} = -\frac{1}{4} v^{T} \gamma_{m'}^\alpha \beta v^{(k)\nu}_\nu \lambda.
\]

We use letters from the beginning of the Greek alphabet to label \( Spin(1,4)_L \) spinor indices, while those from the middle part of the Greek alphabet to label \( Spin(1,4)_R \) spinor indices. Dotted and undotted letters from the beginning of the Latin alphabet label fundamental representation indices of the two \( SU(2)_R \) subgroups of \( Spin(1,4)_R \). Details of the spinor algebra in \( D = 1 + 4 \) dimensions are given in \([18]\) and Appendix A of the present paper. In particular, for \( n^{(0)}_{m'} \) we have

\[
n^{(0)}_{m'} = -\frac{1}{4} v^{T} \gamma_{m'}^\alpha \beta v^{(0)\nu}_\nu \lambda = -\frac{1}{4} (v^b_\alpha \gamma_{m'}^\alpha \beta v^b_\beta - v^b_\alpha \gamma_{m'}^\alpha \beta v^b_\beta).
\]

Spinor Lorentz harmonics satisfy the reality conditions

\[
\gamma^{(0)}_{\nu}(v^\alpha_\nu)\gamma^{0\alpha}_{\beta} = v^{T}_{\beta}
\]

that ensure reality of the vector Lorentz harmonics. For the \( 4 \times 2 \) blocks of the spinor Lorentz-harmonic matrix that carry fundamental representation indices of the two \( SU(2)_R \) subgroups of \( Spin(1,4)_R \) Eq. (2.8) translates into the \( SU(2) \)-Majorana conditions

\[
(v^\alpha_\nu)^\dagger \gamma^{0\alpha}_{\beta} = v^{T}_{\beta}, \quad (v^{\dot{a}}_\nu)^\dagger \gamma^{0\alpha}_{\beta} = v^{T}_{\beta}.
\]

Orthonormality of the vector Lorentz harmonics then follows from the harmonicity conditions for the spinor Lorentz harmonics

\[
v^\alpha_\mu v^\nu_\alpha = \delta^\mu_\mu : \quad v^\alpha_\mu v^\nu_\alpha = -\delta^\nu_\nu, \quad v^{\alpha\beta}v^{\alpha\beta} = \delta^\beta_\beta, \quad v^{\beta\dot{a}}v^{\dot{a}\dot{a}} = 0
\]

that state invariance of the charge conjugation matrices under the left and right \( Spin(1,4) \) transformations since \( v^\nu_\mu = C_{\alpha\beta}C^{\nu\lambda}_{\gamma}_{\lambda} \) and ensure that \( v^\nu_\mu \in Spin(1,4) \). Eq. (2.7) is invariant under local \( SU(2)_R \times SU(2)_R \subset Spin(1,4)_R \) symmetry so that spinor harmonics pertinent to the massive particle model parametrize the coset \( Spin(1,4)/(SU(2) \times SU(2)) \). This \( SU(2)_R \times SU(2)_R \) gauge symmetry will also be the symmetry in the (super)twistor formulation.

Using the definition of \( su(2,2) \) left-invariant Cartan forms

\[
G^{-1}\gamma dG^{\gamma}_{\beta} = \frac{i}{2} (E^{m'}(d)\gamma_{m'}^{\alpha}_{\beta} + E^{m''}(d)\gamma_{m''}^{\alpha}_{\beta}) \in su(2,2),
\]

where \( G \in SU(2,2) \), 1-form, world-line pullback of which defines kinetic term of the particle’s Lagrangian (2.1), can be written in terms of \( SU(2,2) \) twistors:\footnote{In the first line spinor Lorentz harmonics were rescaled \( v \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{m}{2}}v \) to bring the twistor kinetic term to the canonical form.}

\[
p^{m'}(E^{m'}(d) = -\frac{1}{2} v^{T}_{\gamma} \gamma_{m'}^{\gamma}_{\delta} v^{(0)\nu}_{\nu} \lambda E^{m'}(d)
\]

\[
= i v^{T}_{\gamma} G^{-1}\gamma dG^{\gamma}_{\delta} v^{(0)\nu}_{\nu} \lambda
\]

\[
= i (Z^{\lambda}_{\alpha} dZ^{\alpha}_{\nu} - dZ^{\lambda}_{\alpha} Z^{\alpha}_{\nu})^{(0)\nu}_{\nu} \lambda
\]

\[
= i (Z^{\lambda}_{\alpha} dZ^{\alpha}_{\nu} - dZ^{\lambda}_{\alpha} Z^{\alpha}_{\nu}) + \frac{i}{2} (\dot{Z}^{\alpha}_{\dot{a}} d\dot{Z}^{\dot{a}}_{\dot{a}} - d\dot{Z}^{\alpha}_{\dot{a}} Z^{\alpha}_{\dot{a}}).
\]
Incidence relations for the introduced twistors read
\[ Z^\alpha_\nu = (Z^\alpha_b, Z^{ab}) = G^\alpha_\beta v^\beta_\nu, \quad \bar{Z}^\nu_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{Z}^b_\alpha \\ \bar{Z}^{ab}_\alpha \end{pmatrix} = v^{T\beta} G^{-1\beta}_\alpha \] (2.13)
and dual twistor matrix satisfies
\[ H^\lambda_\nu (Z^\alpha_\nu)^\dagger H^{\alpha}_\beta = Z^\lambda_\beta. \] (2.14)
Matrices \( H^{\alpha}_\beta \) and \( H^\lambda_\nu \) are the metrics connecting fundamental and antifundamental representations of \( SU(2,2)_L \) and \( SU(2,2)_R \) respectively. In Ref. [48] there was chosen such realization of \( D = 2 + 4 \gamma \)-matrices that \( H^{\alpha}_\beta \) equals \( D = 1 + 4 \) matrix \( \gamma^{0\alpha}_\beta \) and is off-diagonal
\[ H^{\alpha}_\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_{2 \times 2} \\ I_{2 \times 2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \] (2.15)
as is common in the twistor theory. For \( \gamma^{(0)}\mu_\nu \) instead diagonal realization is used (see Appendix A) so that
\[ H^\lambda_\nu = \gamma^{(0)}\lambda_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} -I_{2 \times 2} & 0 \\ 0 & I_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix}. \] (2.16)
In this realization conjugation rules (2.14) for \( 4 \times 2 \) blocks of the twistor matrix read
\[ (Z^\alpha_b)^\dagger H^{\alpha}_\beta = \bar{Z}^b_\beta, \quad (Z^{ab})^\dagger H^{\alpha}_\beta = \bar{Z}^{ab}_\beta. \] (2.17)
Using the incidence relations (2.13) and the harmonicity conditions (2.10) one derives the constraints that twistors obey
\[ \bar{Z}^\lambda_\alpha Z^\alpha_\nu = v^{T\lambda}_\alpha v^\alpha_\nu = \frac{m}{2} \delta^{\lambda}_\nu \] (2.18)
so that \( \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}} Z^\alpha_\nu \in U(2,2) \) modulo the gauge symmetries of the particle’s action in twistor formulation
\[ S_{AdS_5} = \int d\tau L_{4-twistor}, \quad L_{4-twistor} = \frac{i}{2} (\bar{Z}^\lambda_\nu \dot{Z}^\alpha_\nu - \dot{\bar{Z}}^\lambda_\nu Z^\alpha_\nu) \gamma^{(0)}\lambda_\nu + \Lambda^{\nu}_\lambda \left( \bar{Z}^\lambda_\nu Z^\alpha_\nu - \frac{m}{2} \delta^{\lambda}_\nu \right). \] (2.19)
The structure of the kinetic term of this action is similar to that of the tensionless superstring of Ref. [21] in the twistor gauge. It has manifest global \( SU(2,2)_L \) symmetry, whereas \( SU(2,2)_R \) symmetry, assumed in the definition of the dual twistor matrix (2.14), is broken by \( \gamma^{(0)}\nu_\lambda \).
It is possible to give another definition of the dual twistor matrix
\[ \bar{Z}^\lambda_\alpha = \gamma^{(0)}\lambda_\nu Z^\alpha_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{Z}^b_\alpha \\ \bar{Z}^{ab}_\alpha \end{pmatrix} = (Z^\beta_\lambda)^\dagger H^{\beta}_\alpha \] (2.20)
that differs from (2.14) by the multiplication by \( \gamma^{(0)}\nu_\lambda \). Since \( \gamma^{(0)} \gamma^{(0)} = 1 \), the kinetic term of the twistor Lagrangian (2.19) acquires the following form in terms of the dual twistor matrix (2.20)
\[ \frac{i}{2} (\bar{Z}^\lambda_\alpha \dot{Z}^\alpha_\lambda - \dot{\bar{Z}}^\lambda_\nu Z^\alpha_\nu) = \frac{i}{2} (\bar{Z}^\lambda_a \dot{Z}^\alpha_a - \dot{\bar{Z}}^\lambda_a Z^\alpha_a) + \frac{i}{2} (\bar{Z}_{\alpha a} \dot{Z}^{\alpha a} - \dot{\bar{Z}}_{\alpha a} Z^{\alpha a}). \] (2.21)
It has manifest $SU(2)_R \times SU(2)_R$ gauge symmetry but actually is invariant under the $SU(4)_R$ symmetry that is broken by the constraint term

$$\Lambda^{\nu}_{\lambda} \left( \bar{Z}_\alpha Z^\alpha_{\nu} - \frac{m}{2} \gamma^{0(0)} \right).$$

(2.22)

To analyze the algebra of the constraints let us decompose them into the $SU(2)_R \times SU(2)_R$ irreducible constituents

$$L^a_a = \bar{Z}_\alpha^a Z^\alpha_a - \frac{1}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_\alpha^b Z^\alpha_a \approx 0, \quad M^a_b = \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^{a\dot{a}b} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^{a\dot{a}c} \approx 0,$n

(2.23)

c = \bar{Z}_\alpha^a Z^\alpha_a + \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^{a\dot{a}a} \approx 0, \quad c = \bar{Z}_\alpha^a Z^\alpha_a - \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^{a\dot{a}a} + 2m \approx 0, \quad \bar{Z}_\alpha^a Z^{a\dot{a}} \approx 0, \quad \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^\alpha_a \approx 0.

Basic Dirac bracket (D.B.) relations for the twistor components that follow from\ ([2.19]) are

$$\{Z^\alpha_a, \bar{Z}^b_b\}_{D.B.} = i \delta^b_a \delta^\alpha_{\beta}, \quad \{Z^{a\dot{a}}, \bar{Z}_{\beta\dot{b}}\}_{D.B.} = i \delta^\alpha_{\beta} \delta^a_{\beta}. \quad (2.24)$$

Then non-trivial D.B. relations of the constraints acquire the form

\begin{align*}
\{L^a_b, \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^\alpha_a\}_{D.B.} &= \frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^\alpha_a - \frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^\alpha_b, \\
\{L^a_b, \bar{Z}_a Z^\alpha_a\}_{D.B.} &= -\frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_a Z^\alpha_b + \frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_a Z^\alpha_b, \\
\{M^a_b, \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^\alpha_a\}_{D.B.} &= -\frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^\alpha_b + \frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^\alpha_b, \\
\{M^a_b, \bar{Z}_a Z^\alpha_a\}_{D.B.} &= \frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_a Z^\alpha_b - \frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_a Z^\alpha_b, \\
\{L^a_b, L^c_d\}_{D.B.} &= -i \delta^a_b \delta^c_d L^b_d + \delta^c_d \delta^a_b L^d_b, \\
\{M^a_b, M^c_d\}_{D.B.} &= -i \delta^a_b L^c_d - \delta^a_b L^d_c,
\end{align*}

(2.25)

These are relations of the $SU(4)_R$ symmetry algebra broken by $m$. Thus the constraints $\bar{Z}_\alpha^a Z^{ab}$ and $\bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^\alpha_a$ are the second-class, while other eight constraints are the first-class ones. From the viewpoint of the oscillator realization of the $SU(4)_R$ algebra $\bar{Z}_\alpha^a Z^{ab}$ and $\bar{Z}_{a\dot{a}} Z^\beta_b$ are raising and lowering generators from the +1 and −1 eigenspaces w.r.t. to the three-grading structure introduced by c [10]. Having identified the first- and second-class constraints it is possible to verify that the number of the physical degrees of freedom in the four-twistor formulation equals eight matching that of the space-time formulation of the $D = 5$ massive particle mechanics.

3 Reduction of four-twistor formulation to two-twistor formulation

The fact that in the four-twistor formulation there are eight second-class constraints quadratic in twistors essentially complicates further analysis of the Hamiltonian mechanics of the bosonic particle model and requires introduction of the D.B. for these constraints. It is, however, possible to remove some of the redundant degrees of freedom that will simplify the algebra of the remaining constraints without breaking the $SU(2,2)_L$ invariance. The form of the incidence relations\ ([2.13]) shows that reduction of the $SO(1,4)$ Lorentz-harmonic variables underlies reduction of twistors, hence we discuss it on the level of harmonics. To this end decompose spinor Lorentz harmonics into $SL(2,\mathbb{C})_L$ constituents

$$v^c_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} v^c_\alpha \\ \bar{v}^{\dot{a}c} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \bar{v}^c_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} v^c_\alpha \\ \bar{v}^{\dot{a}c} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.1)$$
SU(2)-Majorana conditions that these harmonics satisfy
\[
(v^c_\alpha)\gamma^0\alpha^\beta = -v^T_\alpha, \quad (v^c_\alpha)\gamma^0\alpha^\beta = v^T_\alpha.
\]
when expressed in terms of the \( SL(2, \mathbb{C})_L \) constituents read
\[
(v^c_\alpha)^\dagger = \bar{v}_{\dot{a}\dot{c}}, \quad (v^c_\alpha)^\dagger = -\bar{v}_{\dot{a}\dot{c}}.
\]
Let us define
\[
v^c_\alpha v^c_\alpha = \Upsilon \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}, \quad v^c_\alpha \bar{v}^c_\alpha = \bar{\Upsilon} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}.
\]
Then from the harmonicity conditions we obtain
\[
\Upsilon + \bar{\Upsilon} = \bar{\Upsilon} + \bar{\Upsilon} = m \quad (3.5)
\]
and
\[
v^\alpha_\beta v^\alpha_\beta + \bar{v}^\alpha_\beta \bar{v}^\alpha_\beta = 0. \quad (3.6)
\]
Multiplying the latter relation by \( v^\alpha_\beta \) we derive
\[
v_{\beta\dot{c}} = \frac{2}{\Upsilon} v^\alpha_\beta \bar{v}^\alpha_\beta. \quad (3.7)
\]
Further multiplying by \( v_{\beta\dot{c}} \) gives \( \Upsilon \bar{\Upsilon} = \bar{\Upsilon} \bar{\Upsilon} \) and in view of \( (3.5) \)
\[
\Upsilon = \bar{\Upsilon}. \quad (3.8)
\]
Then using \( (3.7) \) and \( (3.8) \) it is possible to show that in the expression for the particle’s 5-momentum
\[
p_m' = -\frac{1}{2} v^b_\alpha \gamma^m_\alpha \beta v^\beta_b + \frac{1}{2} v^b_\alpha \gamma^m_\alpha \beta \bar{v}^\beta_b = \left\{ \begin{array}{l}
p_m = v^\alpha_\beta \sigma_{m\alpha\dot{a}} \bar{v}^\dot{a}_b + v^\alpha_\beta \sigma_{m\alpha\dot{a}} \bar{v}^{\dot{a}b} \\
p_5 = \Upsilon_I - \bar{\Upsilon}_I \end{array} \right. \quad (3.9)
\]
contributions of the first and the second summands equal so that one can exclude spinor Lorentz harmonics with dotted indices
\[
p_m' = -\frac{1}{2} v^b_\alpha \gamma^m_\alpha \beta v^\beta_b, \quad (3.10)
\]
where the factor of two has been absorbed in the definition of Lorentz harmonics with undotted indices that now satisfy
\[
v^\alpha_\beta v^b_\alpha = -2m. \quad (3.11)
\]
Let us remark that using \( (3.5) \) and \( (3.6) \) it is possible to exclude in a similar way spinor Lorentz harmonics with undotted indices leaving only those with dotted indices. Also note that in the expressions for the space-like vector-columns of the Lorentz-harmonic matrix \( (2.3) \) it is impossible to remove contributions of the spinor harmonics with either dotted or undotted indices.

Taking expression for the reduced 5-momentum \( (3.10) \) one can obtain two-twistor form of the massive particle’s Lagrangian following the same steps as in \( (2.12) \)
\[
\mathcal{L}_{2\text{-twistor}} = \frac{i}{2} (\bar{Z}^a_\alpha Z^\alpha_a - \dot{Z}^a_\alpha Z^\alpha_a) + \Lambda^a_b L^b_a + \Lambda (\bar{Z}^a_\alpha Z^\alpha_a + 2m) \quad (3.12)
\]
that was proposed in \[14\] (see also \[17\], \[18\]). In \[15\], using the isomorphism of the algebras of quantized twistors and \( su(2) \oplus su(2) \) bosonic oscillators that are employed in constructing
positive energy unitary irreps of $SU(2, 2)$ and its superextensions [52], [53], it was shown that this model describes $SU(2, 2)$ unitary irrep with $AdS$ energy $E = 2 + |m|$ and zero spin. One needs at least two copies of $su(2) \oplus su(2)$ bosonic oscillators to describe such irreps. Their lowest-weight vectors are given by the antisymmetrized products of creation oscillators in the fundamental representation of one of the $su(2)$ algebras [70], [71].

In this section we construct particle’s wave function in the ambitwistor space corresponding to such irrep. Let us introduce specific notation for each of the twistors

$$Z_1^\alpha \equiv Z^\alpha, \quad Z_2^\alpha \equiv W^\alpha, \quad \bar{Z}_1^\alpha \equiv \bar{Z}_\alpha, \quad \bar{Z}_2^\alpha \equiv \bar{W}_\alpha.$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.13)

It is readily shown that from (3.12) there follow conventional commutation relations of the quantized twistors

$$[Z^\alpha, \bar{Z}_\beta] = \delta^\alpha_\beta, \quad [W^\alpha, \bar{W}_\beta] = \delta^\alpha_\beta.$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.14)

Hermitian operators corresponding to four first-class constraints of the model can be brought to the form

$$Z \bar{Z} + m - 2 \approx 0, \quad \bar{W} W + m + 2 \approx 0, \quad Z \bar{W} \approx 0, \quad \bar{W} \bar{Z} \approx 0.$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.15)

Let $Z^\alpha$ and $\bar{W}_\alpha$ be coordinates of the ambitwistor space, then other two quantized twistors are represented as the first-order differential operators

$$Z_\alpha = -\frac{\partial}{\partial Z^\alpha}, \quad W^\alpha = \frac{\partial}{\partial W_\alpha}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.16)

Imposing a la Gupta-Bleuler three of the four constraints (3.15) that are given by the utmost first-order differential operators on the particle’s wave function $F_{(m-2|-m-2)}(Z, \bar{W})$, we find

$$Z \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} F_{(m-2|-m-2)}(Z, \bar{W}) = (m - 2) F_{(m-2|-m-2)}(Z, \bar{W}),$$

$$W \frac{\partial}{\partial W} F_{(m-2|-m-2)}(Z, \bar{W}) = -(m + 2) F_{(m-2|-m-2)}(Z, \bar{W}),$$

$$(W \bar{Z}) F_{(m-2|-m-2)}(Z, \bar{W}) = 0.$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.17)

These equations imply that particle’s wave function is homogeneous in each of its arguments as indicated by the subscript and that its mass should be integer $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ (cf. [15]). The last constraint can be taken into account by writing

$$F_{(m-2|-m-2)}(Z, \bar{W}) = \delta(W \bar{Z}) f_{(m-1|-m-1)}(Z, \bar{W}).$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.18)

When $m$ is zero, it is known that the ambitwistor transform [72], [73] of $f_{(-1|-1)}(Z, \bar{W})$ as a function of Penrose twistors, corresponding to the boundary limit [48] of $AdS_5$ twistors, gives off-shell scalar field on $D = 4$ Minkowski space-time. This field can be identified as the $D = 4$ shadow field [74] that serves as the boundary value of the non-normalizable solution of the Dirichlet problem for $AdS_5$ scalar field. As discussed in [75], [48] associated $SU(2, 2)$ lowest-weight vector is given by the oscillator vacuum $|0\rangle$. If $m > 0$, then the respective $SU(2, 2)$ lowest-weight vector is

$$a^{[\alpha_1}(1)a^{\alpha_2]}(2) \cdots a^{[\alpha_{2m-1}}(1)a^{\alpha_{2m}]}(2)|0\rangle,$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.19)

as was found in [15]. In ambitwistor description each of the antisymmetrized products of $a$-oscillators maps to the first-order differential operator [48]

$$Z^\alpha I_{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial W_\beta}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.20)
so that massive particle’s wave function in ambitwistor space is

\[ f_{(m-1|-m-1)}(Z, \bar{W}) = \left( ZI \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{W}} \right)^m f_{(-1|-1)}(Z, \bar{W}), \quad m \geq 0. \]  

(3.21)

Respectively for \( m < 0 \) associated \( SU(2, 2) \) lowest-weight vector is

\[ b_{[\alpha_1}(1)b_{\alpha_2)}(2) \cdots b_{[\alpha_{2m-1}}(1)b_{\alpha_{2m}]}(2)|0\rangle. \]  

(3.22)

Antisymmetrized products of \( b \)-oscillators map to the operator

\[ \bar{W}_\alpha I^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial Z^\beta} \]  

(3.23)

and particle’s wave function equals

\[ f_{(m-1|-m-1)}(Z, \bar{W}) = \left( \bar{W}I \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} \right)^{-m} f_{(-1|-1)}(Z, \bar{W}), \quad m \leq 0. \]  

(3.24)

Note that differential operators \( \left( ZI \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{W}} \right) \) and \( \left( \bar{W}I \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} \right) \) are used in twistor theory to describe massive fields in four-dimensional Minkowski space [76].

4 Eight-supertwistor formulation of massless superparticle on \( AdS_5 \times S^5 \) superbackground

To derive eight-supertwistor formulation of the \( D = 10 \) massless superparticle on the \( AdS_5 \times S^5 \) superbackground let us introduce diagonal supermatrix

\[ V^A_N = \begin{pmatrix} v_\alpha^\nu & 0 \\ 0 & \ell^A_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -v_b^\alpha & v^{\alpha b} \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ell^A_p \\ \ell^{A\dot{p}} \end{pmatrix}. \]  

(4.1)

Its upper-diagonal block constitutes \( 4 \times 4 \) matrix with \( Spin(1, 4) \) indices

\[ v^\mu_\alpha = (-v_b^\alpha, v^{\alpha b}), \]  

(4.2)

while in the lower-diagonal block there is \( 4 \times 4 \) matrix with \( Spin(5) \sim USp(4) \) indices\(^6\)

\[ \ell^A_N = (\ell^A_p, \ell^{A\dot{p}}). \]  

(4.3)

Reality conditions for \( Spin(1, 4) \) variables coincide with those in (2.8) and for \( Spin(5) \) variables are

\[ (\ell^A_L)^\dagger = \ell^T_A, \quad (\ell^A_q)^\dagger = \ell^T_{A\dot{q}}, \quad (\ell^{A\dot{q}})^\dagger = \ell^T_{A\dot{q}}. \]  

(4.4)

In the supermatrix form we have

\[ \mathcal{H}^L_N(V^A_A)^\dagger \mathcal{H}^A_B = V^{TL} \mathcal{B} = \begin{pmatrix} v^{TA}_\beta & 0 \\ 0 & \ell^{TL}_B \end{pmatrix}, \]  

(4.5)

\(^6\)We slightly abuse the notation in this section since, as will be seen below, \( v^\alpha_\mu \) contains some additional degrees of freedom compared to the \( Spin(1, 4) \) Lorentz harmonics and \( \ell^A_N \) has more independent degrees of freedom than the \( USp(4) \) harmonics [64].
that satisfies
\[(G^A_B)^\dagger = \mathcal{H}^B cG^{-1C}D\mathcal{H}^D_A.\] (4.8)

Define twistor supermatrix
\[Z^A_N = G^A_B V^N_N = (Z^A_N \Psi_N^A) = \left(-Z^b_a Z^{ab} \psi^A_p \psi^{Ap}\right) = \left(-Z^b_a Z^{ab} \bar{\zeta}_p^A \bar{\xi}^{Ap} \lambda^A \right) (4.9)\]
and its dual by
\[\bar{Z}^A_B = \mathcal{H}^A_B (Z^A_N)^\dagger \mathcal{H}^A_B = V^N_C c G^{-1C}_B = \left(\bar{Z}^L_B \bar{\Psi}_B^L \right) = \left(\bar{Z}^L_B \bar{\Psi}_B^L \xi^q_{\beta} \bar{L}_B \right). (4.10)\]

For individual rows of the dual twistor supermatrix this definition translates into the relations
\[\bar{Z}^L_B = (Z^L_A)^\dagger \mathcal{H}^A_B, \quad \bar{Z}^b_L = (Z^{Ab})^\dagger \mathcal{H}^A_B, \quad \bar{\Psi}^L_B = (\psi^A_p)^\dagger \mathcal{H}^A_B, \quad \bar{\Psi}^q_B = (\psi^{Ap})^\dagger \mathcal{H}^A_B. (4.11)\]

Supertwistors \(Z^b_A, Z^{Ab}\) and their duals are conventional ones and were named \(c\)-type in [18]. Their \(SU(2,2)_L\) components \(Z^b_a, Z^{ab}\) are even and \(SU(4)_L\) components \(\eta^b_a, \eta^{ab}\) are odd. On the contrary supertwistors \(\psi^A_p, \psi^{Ap}\) and their duals are \(a\)-type since their \(SU(2,2)_L\) components \(\xi^A, \xi^{Ap}\) are odd but \(SU(4)_L\) components \(L^A_p, L^{Ap}\) are even. Appearance of such unconventional supertwistors for superparticle model on \(AdS_5 \times S^5\) superbackground was discussed in [21] and [22]. Note that the definition of the twistor supermatrix (4.9) assumes that it transforms under left and right \(SU(2,2|4)\) transformations
\[Z^A_N \rightarrow L^A_B Z^B_M R^M_N, (4.12)\]
where supermatrices \(L^A_B, R^M_N\) have \(SU(2,2)\) upper-diagonal blocks and \(SU(4)\) lower-diagonal blocks.

Consider now the first-order form of the massless superparticle action on the \(AdS_5 \times S^5\) superbackground
\[S_{AdS_5 \times S^5} = \int d\tau \mathcal{L}_{AdS_5 \times S^5}, \quad \mathcal{L}_{AdS_5 \times S^5} = p_{m'} E_{\tau}^{m'} + p_{\tau} E_{\tau}^{\prime} - \frac{g}{2} (p_{m'} p^{m'} + p_{\tau} p^{\prime}). (4.13)\]
\(E_{\tau}^{m'}\) and \(E_{\tau}^{\prime}\) are the world-line pullbacks of the \(D = 10\) supervielbein bosonic components tangent to \(AdS_5\) and \(S^5\). In analogy with the discussion of section 2, momentum components tangent to \(AdS_5\) can be expressed as
\[p_{m'} = -\frac{1}{2} v^{\alpha} \gamma_{m'}^\alpha \gamma^{(0)} \lambda - \frac{1}{2} \left(v^{\beta} \gamma_{m'}^\alpha \gamma^{(0)} \beta - v^{\beta} \gamma_{m'}^\alpha \gamma^{(0)} \beta\right), (4.14)\]
where $\text{Spin}(1,4)$ spinors $v_b^\alpha$ and $v^{\alpha \dot{b}}$ satisfy $SU(2)$-Majorana conditions (2.19) and also

$$v_b^\alpha v^{\alpha \dot{b}} = 0$$

(4.15)

so that

$$p_{m'}p^{m'} = -\frac{1}{4}(v_a^\alpha v^a_\alpha + v_{\dot{a}}^\alpha v^{\alpha \dot{a}})^2.$$  

(4.16)

Similarly momentum components tangent to $S^5$ can be expressed

$$p^I = \frac{1}{2} \ell^L_A \gamma_I A B \ell^B_N \gamma^{(5)N} L = -\frac{1}{2}(\ell^q \gamma_I A B \ell^B_q + \ell^q \gamma_I A B \ell^B_q)$$  

(4.17)

in terms of the $\text{Spin}(5)$ spinor variables (4.3) constrained by the relations

$$\ell^A_q \ell^q_A = 0$$

(4.18)

necessary to obtain the following expression for the square of momentum components tangent to $S^5$

$$p^{I'} p^{I'} = \frac{1}{4}(\ell^A_q \ell^q_A - \ell^A_q \ell^q_A)^2.$$  

(4.19)

As a result the null-momentum condition in 10 dimensions translates into

$$(v_a^\alpha v^a_\alpha + v_{\dot{a}}^\alpha v^{\alpha \dot{a}})^2 = (\ell^A_q \ell^q_A - \ell^A_q \ell^q_A)^2.$$  

(4.20)

Let us note that null 10-momentum $(p_{m'}, p_{I'})$ has 9 independent components, whereas at this point spinors $(v_a^\alpha, v^{\alpha \dot{a}})$ and $(\ell^A_q, \ell^q_A)$ have $6 + 6 - 1 = 11$ independent components. Two additional constraints for the spinor variables will be set below. Now 1-form that enters kinetic term of the superparticle’s Lagrangian (4.13) can be expressed in the supertwistor form

$$p_{m'} E^{m'}(d) + p_{I'} E^{I'}(d) = iV^T \gamma^D \gamma_A \gamma^C \gamma_N \Gamma_N \gamma^L$$  

$$= \frac{i}{2}(\bar{Z}_A \gamma^D d \bar{Z}^A_N - d \bar{Z}_A \gamma^D \bar{Z}^A_N) \Gamma^N \gamma_L$$

$$= \frac{i}{2}(\bar{Z}_A \gamma^D d \bar{Z}^A_c - d \bar{Z}_A \gamma^D \bar{Z}^A_c) + \frac{i}{2}(\bar{Z}_A \gamma^D d \bar{Z}^{\dot{A}c} - d \bar{Z}_A \gamma^D \bar{Z}^{\dot{A}c})$$

$$+ \frac{i}{2}(\bar{\Psi}^q d \bar{\Psi}^{q \dot{a}} - d \bar{\Psi}^q \bar{\Psi}^{q \dot{a}}) - \frac{i}{2}(\bar{\Psi}^{q \dot{a}} d \bar{\Psi}^{\dot{a} q} - d \bar{\Psi}^{q \dot{a}} \bar{\Psi}^{\dot{a} q})$$  

(4.21)

with the diagonal supermatrix

$$\Gamma^N \gamma_L = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma^{(0)\mu} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & -\gamma^{(5)N} \gamma_L \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\delta^b_a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta^\dot{a} \dot{b} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\delta^q_{\dot{q}} \end{pmatrix}. $$

(4.22)

In its upper-diagonal block there is $\gamma^{(0)\mu} \lambda$ matrix that enters kinetic term of the twistor Lagrangian for the bosonic particle (2.19). As discussed in section 2 it not merely breaks $SU(2,2)_R$ symmetry but actually ‘switches’ it to $SU(4)_R$ symmetry. In the case of superparticle supermatrix $\Gamma$ interchanges $SU(2,2)_R$ and $SU(4)_R$-invariant blocks. So the supertwistor 1-form (4.21) is invariant under ‘twisted’ $SU(2,2|4)_R$ symmetry with $SU(4)_R$ parameters in the upper-diagonal block and $SU(2,2)_R$ parameters in the lower-diagonal block. It can be made explicit by adopting another definition of the dual twistor supermatrix

$$\bar{Z}^{N A} = \Gamma^N \gamma_L \bar{Z}^L \gamma_A = \bar{H}^N \gamma_L (\bar{Z}^B \gamma^L) \gamma^B \gamma_A,$$

(4.23)
where
\[
\tilde{\mathcal{H}}^N_L = \begin{pmatrix} \delta^N_L & 0 \\ 0 & -\gamma^{(5)N_L} \end{pmatrix}
\]
resulting in the following expression for the 1-form (4.21)
\[
\frac{i}{2} \left( \tilde{Z}^N_A dZ^A_N - d\tilde{Z}^N_A Z^A_N \right).
\]

This 'twisted' SU\((2,2|4)_R\) symmetry, however, will be broken by the supertwistor constraints, that we discuss below, similarly to breaking of the SU\((4)_R\) symmetry in the case of massive particle model in section 2. So let us write down complete superparticle’s Lagrangian in the supertwistor form we need to identify the set of constraints for supertwistors. To this end consider SU\((2,2|4)_L\)-invariant supermatrix quadratic in supertwistors
\[
\tilde{Z}^\mathcal{C}_A Z^A_N = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{Z}^\mathcal{A}_A Z^A_N & \tilde{Z}^\mathcal{A}_A \Psi^A_N \\ \Psi^L_A Z^A_N & \Psi^L_A \Psi^A_N \end{pmatrix}.
\]

Using the incidence relations (4.9) and (4.10) it is easy to see that
\[
\tilde{Z}^\mathcal{A}_A \Psi^A_N = \tilde{\Psi}^L_A \tilde{Z}^A \approx 0
\]
constitute 32 odd constraints. From the relations for spinors (4.15) and (4.18) one finds that diagonal blocks of the supermatrix (4.27) equal
\[
\tilde{Z}^\mathcal{A}_A Z^A_N = -\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \delta^\mathcal{A}_A & 0 \\ 0 & \delta^\mathcal{A}_A \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\Psi}^L_A \Psi^A_N = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \delta^\mathcal{A}_A & 0 \\ 0 & -\delta^\mathcal{A}_A \end{pmatrix}
\]
This allows to identify 28 bosonic constraints
\[
L^a_b = \tilde{Z}^a_A Z^A_b - \frac{1}{2} \delta^a_b \tilde{Z}^c_A Z^A_c \approx 0, \quad M^a_b = \tilde{Z}_{A\dot{a}} Z_{\dot{A}a} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^a_b \tilde{Z}_{A\dot{a}} Z_{\dot{A}c} \approx 0,
\]
\[
\tilde{Z}^a_A Z^A_b \approx 0, \quad \tilde{Z}_{A\dot{a}} Z^A_d \approx 0,
\]
\[
R^q_p = \tilde{\Psi}^q_A \Psi^A_p - \frac{1}{2} \delta^q_p \tilde{\Psi}^r_A \Psi^r_p \approx 0, \quad S^q_p = \tilde{\Psi}_{Aq} \Psi^{A\dot{q}} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^q_p \tilde{\Psi}_{A\dot{q}} \Psi^{A\dot{r}} \approx 0,
\]
\[
\tilde{\Psi}^q_A \Psi^{A\dot{q}} \approx 0, \quad \tilde{\Psi}_{A\dot{q}} \Psi^{A\dot{q}} \approx 0.
\]
To identify other bosonic constraints consider D.B. relations of the odd constraints. The form of the kinetic term (4.26) allows to find basic D.B. relations of the supertwistors
\[
\{Z^a_A, \tilde{Z}^b_B\}_D.B. = i\delta^b_a \delta^A_B, \quad \{Z^{A\dot{a}}, \tilde{Z}_{B\dot{b}}\}_D.B. = i\delta^A_{a\dot{a}} \delta^\dot{B}_{\dot{b}},
\]
\[
\{\Psi^A_q, \tilde{\Psi}^p_B\}_D.B. = i\delta^p_q \delta^A_B, \quad \{\Psi_{A\dot{q}}, \tilde{\Psi}_{B\dot{p}}\}_D.B. = -i\delta^A_{a\dot{a}} \delta^\dot{B}_{\dot{b}}.
\]

With these in mind we obtain necessary D.B. relations of the odd constraints
\[
\{\tilde{Z}^b_A \Psi^A_q, \tilde{Z}^p_B Z^B_q\}_D.B. = i\delta^b_q L^a_b + i\delta^p_q R^a_q + \frac{i}{2} \delta^q_p \delta^b_a (\tilde{Z}^c_c Z^c + \tilde{\Psi}^r_r \Psi^r),
\]
\[
\{\tilde{Z}_{A\dot{a}} \Psi^{A\dot{q}}, \tilde{Z}_{B\dot{p}} Z^{B\dot{q}}\}_D.B. = -i\delta^A_{a\dot{a}} M^a\dot{a} + i\delta^\dot{B}_{\dot{b}} S^q_p + \frac{i}{2} \delta^q_p \delta^A_{a\dot{a}} (\tilde{Z}^c_c Z^c + \tilde{\Psi}^r_r \Psi^r).
\]
and
\[
\{ \tilde{Z}_b^A \psi^A, \tilde{\Psi}_B^a \tilde{Z}^B_a \}_D.B. = -i \delta^b_{bp} L^b_a + i \delta^b_{bp} q^q + \frac{i}{2} \delta^b_{bp} \tilde{Z}^c_c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r, \\
\{ \tilde{Z}_a^A \psi^A, \tilde{\Psi}_B^a \tilde{Z}^B_a \}_D.B. = i \delta^a_{aq} M^a_b + i \delta^a_{aq} q^q + \frac{i}{2} \delta^a_{aq} \tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r. \quad (4.36)
\]

There are two equivalent options to choose 16 odd first-class constraints of the model: those on the l.h.s. of (4.35) or (4.36). For definiteness let us consider odd constraints in (4.35) as the first-class ones. The consequence of such choice is that
\[
\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r \approx 0, \\
- \tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r \approx 0 \quad (4.37)
\]
while $- \tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r$ and $\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r$ are non-zero since the constraints on the l.h.s. of (4.36) constitute 16 odd second-class constraints. Summing up constraints (4.37) and using the incidence relations (4.9), (4.10) gives
\[
\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^c = v_c^\alpha v_\alpha^c + v_c^\alpha v_\alpha^c + \ell_r^a \ell_r^a - \ell_r^a \ell_r^a \approx 0. \quad (4.38)
\]
The constraint on the r.h.s. is the square root of the mass-shell constraint (4.20). This fixes the sign ambiguity in the definition of the square root of the mass-shell constraint. The difference of the constraints (4.37) is also the constraint
\[
(\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c - \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^c) - (\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^c) = (\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^c) - (\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r) \approx 0, \quad (4.39)
\]
and equals the difference of $\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^c$ and $- \tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r$ so one can set
\[
\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^c = - \tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r = Q \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}. \quad (4.40)
\]
As a result the products of supertwistors invariant under four different $SU(2)_R$ subgroups of $SU(2,2|4)_R$ can be parametrized as
\[
\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c = -\frac{Q}{2} + q, \quad \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r = \frac{Q}{2} - q, \quad \tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c = \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r = \frac{Q}{2} + q \quad (4.41)
\]
with an arbitrary real $q$. It is then easy to find another $Q$-independent linear combination of the supertwistor products
\[
\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c - \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r = 4q. \quad (4.42)
\]
Requiring $q = 0$ turns it into the 31st bosonic constraint. Constraints (4.39) and (4.42) provide extra two conditions that being expressed in terms of the Spin(1,4) and Spin(5) variables balance the number of their independent components and those of 10d null momentum (see discussion after Eq. (4.20)).

One can take another look at the above constraints viewing elements of the supermatrix (4.27) as the generators of the ‘twisted’ $u(2,2|4)_R$ superalgebra. Then four $SU(2,2|4)_R$-invariant products of the $SU(2)_R$ doublets of supertwistors on the r.h.s. of the D.B. relations (4.35) and (4.36) can be parametrized as
\[
\begin{align*}
\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r &= \frac{1}{2} (C + E + T) \approx 0, \\
\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c - \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r &= \frac{1}{2} (C + E - T) \approx 0, \\
\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c - \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r &= \frac{1}{2} (C - E + T), \\
\tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r &= \frac{1}{2} (C - E - T),
\end{align*}
\]
where
\[
C + E = \tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c - \tilde{Z}^c_c \psi^c + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r + \tilde{\Psi}_r \psi^r \approx 0 \quad (4.44)
\]
is the sum of the $AdS$ energy (conformal dimension) generator $E = \bar{\Psi}^{r} \Psi_{r} + \bar{\Psi}_{r} \Psi^{r}$ and its counterpart in the $su(4)_{R}$ algebra $C = \bar{Z}^{c} \mathbb{Z}_{c} - \bar{\mathbb{Z}}_{c} \mathbb{Z}^{c}$. Generator $T \in su(2,2|4)_{R}$ is
\begin{equation}
T = \mathbb{Z}^{c} \mathbb{Z}_{c} + \bar{\mathbb{Z}}_{c} \mathbb{Z}^{c} + \bar{\Psi}^{r} \Psi_{r} - \bar{\Psi}_{r} \Psi^{r} \approx 0
\end{equation}
and the constraint (4.42) equals the generator $U \in u(2,2|4)_{R}$.

After taking into account all of the constraints, the supermatrix (4.27) is found to be proportional to the unit supermatrix
\begin{equation}
\mathcal{Z}^{\mathcal{L}}_{A} \mathcal{Z}^{A}_{N} \approx \frac{Q}{4} \delta_{N}^{c}.
\end{equation}
Thus $\mathcal{Z}^{A}_{N}$ is an element of $U(2,2|4) \times \mathbb{R}$ modulo the gauge symmetries generated by the first-class constraints that we have to identify.

The choice of the first- and second-class fermionic constraints was made after Eq. (4.36). There remains to consider D.B. relations of the bosonic constraints (4.30)-(4.33), (4.42), (4.44) and (4.45) in order to find which of them are the first-class. $T \approx 0$ D.B. commutes with all the constraints, whereas $U \approx 0$ has non-zero D.B. relations only with odd constraints given in Appendix B and so they are the first-class constraints. Four copies of the $su(2)$ generators (4.30) and (4.32) are also the first-class constraints, their D.B. relations with other constraints are given in Appendix B. Constraints (4.31) and (4.33) are the second-class ones as is seen from the D.B. relations
\begin{equation}
\{ \bar{Z}_{Aa} \bar{Z}^{A}_{b}, \bar{Z}^{a}_{Bb} \bar{Z}^{ab} \}_{D.B.} = i \delta_{b}^{a} M_{a \tilde{b}} \bar{Z}^{\tilde{b} \tilde{b}} - i \delta_{a}^{b} L_{a \tilde{b}} + \frac{i}{2} \delta_{a}^{b} \delta_{c}^{i} i_{q} Q,
\end{equation}
\begin{equation}
\{ \bar{\Psi}_{Aq} \bar{\Psi}^{A}_{p}, \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{Bq} \bar{\Psi}^{b \tilde{p}} \}_{D.B.} = i \delta_{b}^{a} S_{a \tilde{p}} \bar{\Psi}^{\tilde{p} \tilde{p}} + i \delta_{a}^{b} R_{a \tilde{p}} \bar{\Psi}^{\tilde{p} \tilde{p}} + \frac{i}{2} \delta_{a}^{b} \delta_{c}^{i} i_{q} Q.
\end{equation}
$E + C \approx 0$ D.B. commutes with the first-class constraints. Its D.B. relations with the second-class constraints can be schematically presented as
\begin{equation}
\{ E + C, G_{\pm} \} = \pm 2i G_{\pm},
\end{equation}
where
\begin{equation}
G_{+} = \{ \mathcal{Z}^{a}_{A} \mathcal{Z}^{A}_{a}, \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{A} \Psi^{A}_{a}, \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{A} \Psi^{A}_{a}, \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{A} \mathcal{Z}^{A}_{a}, \mathcal{Z}^{A}_{a} \bar{\Psi}^{A}_{a} \}, \quad G_{-} = \{ \bar{\mathcal{Z}}^{a}_{Aa} \bar{\mathcal{Z}}^{A}_{a}, \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{Aq} \bar{\Psi}^{A}_{p}, \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{Aq} \bar{\Psi}^{A}_{p}, \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{Aq} \bar{\mathcal{Z}}^{A}_{a}, \bar{\mathcal{Z}}^{A}_{a} \bar{\Psi}^{A}_{a} \}.
\end{equation}
Therefore we conclude that there are 15 bosonic first-class constraints that together with 16 fermionic first-class constraints generate $su(2|2) \oplus su(2|2) \oplus u(1)$ superalgebra of the gauge symmetry of the superparticle model in the eight-supertwistor formulation and
\begin{equation}
\mathcal{Z}^{A}_{N} \in U(2,2|4) \times R/(SU(2|2) \times SU(2|2) \times U(1))
\end{equation}
having 18 bosonic and 16 fermionic independent components equal the number of physical degrees of freedom in the superspace formulation.

To conclude this section we present complete Lagrangian in the eight-supertwistor formulation
\begin{equation}
\mathcal{L}_{8-\text{twistor}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{constr}},
\end{equation}
where the kinetic term is given in (4.26) and the second summand is the linear combination of the constraints with Lagrange multipliers
\begin{equation}
\mathcal{L}_{\text{constr}} = \Lambda_{a}^{b} L_{a \tilde{b}} + \Lambda_{a}^{\tilde{b}} M_{a \tilde{b}} + \Lambda_{a}^{q \tilde{p}} R_{a \tilde{p}} + \Lambda_{a}^{q \tilde{p}} S_{a \tilde{p}} + \Lambda_{E+C}(E + C) + \Lambda_{T} T + \Lambda_{U} U
+ i \Lambda_{a}^{b} \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{p} \bar{Z}^{a}_{p} + i \Lambda_{a}^{b} \bar{Z}^{a}_{p} \Psi^{a}_{p} + i \bar{\Lambda}_{a}^{b} \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{p} \bar{Z}^{a}_{p} + \bar{\Lambda}_{a}^{b} \bar{Z}^{a}_{p} \Psi^{a}_{p}
+ \Lambda_{a}^{b} \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{p} \bar{Z}^{a}_{p} + \bar{\Lambda}_{a}^{b} \bar{Z}^{a}_{p} \Psi^{a}_{p} + \Lambda_{a}^{q \tilde{p}} \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{p} \bar{Z}^{a}_{q} + \bar{\Lambda}_{a}^{q \tilde{p}} \bar{Z}^{a}_{q} \Psi^{a}_{p}
+ i \Lambda_{a}^{b} \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{p} \bar{Z}^{a}_{p} + i \bar{\Lambda}_{a}^{b} \bar{Z}^{a}_{p} \Psi^{a}_{p} + i \Lambda_{a}^{q \tilde{p}} \bar{\Psi}^{a}_{p} \bar{Z}^{a}_{q} + i \bar{\Lambda}_{a}^{q \tilde{p}} \bar{Z}^{a}_{q} \Psi^{a}_{p}.
\end{equation}
Analysis of the conservation conditions of the constraints yields that the Lagrange multipliers for the second-class constraints in the two last lines in (1.52) turn to zero, while those for the first-class constraints in the first and second lines remain unfixed.

5 Four-supertwistor formulation of massless superparticle on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superbackground

Reduction of the Lorentz-harmonic variables was discussed in section 3 and the results obtained there also apply to the $D = 10$ superparticle model. Superparticle’s 10-momentum components tangent to $AdS_5$ can be brought to the form

$$p_{m'} = -\frac{1}{2} v^b \gamma_{m'} \alpha v^b$$

with

$$v^b \gamma_{m'} \alpha v^b = -Q.$$ (5.2)

Reduction of the $Spin(5)$ variables proceeds in the similar way. Resulting expression for the momentum components tangent to $S^5$ is

$$p_I' = -\frac{1}{2} \ell^q B I A \ell^A_q,$$ (5.3)

where

$$\ell^A_q \ell^A_{q'} = Q.$$ (5.4)

Expressions for the momentum components (5.1) and (5.3) were the starting point to derive the four-supertwistor formulation of the massless superparticle on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superbackground from the first-order form of the superspace formulation [48]. Resulting four-supertwistor representation of the superparticle’s Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{4-\text{stwistor}} = \frac{i}{2} \left( \dot{Z}^a_A Z^A_a - \dot{Z}^a_A Z^A_a \right) + i \frac{1}{2} (\dot{\Psi}^q A \dot{\Psi}^q A - \dot{\Psi}^q A \dot{\Psi}^q A) + \Lambda^a_b L^b + \Lambda^q p R^q p + \Lambda (\dot{Z}^a_A Z^A_a + \dot{\Psi}^q A \dot{\Psi}^q A)$$

$$+ \frac{i}{2} \lambda^q \bar{\lambda}^q Z^A_a + i \lambda^q \bar{\lambda}^q A \Psi^A_q$$ (5.5)

coincides with that obtained in Ref. [22] by partial gauge fixing $2T$ superparticle model in $2 + 10$ dimensions. There are seven bosonic

$$L^a_b = \dot{Z}^a_A Z^A_b - \frac{1}{2} \delta^a_b \dot{Z}^c_A Z^A_c \approx 0, \quad R^q_p = \dot{\Psi}^q A \psi^A_p - \frac{1}{2} \delta^q_p \dot{\Psi}^r A \psi^A_r \approx 0, \quad \dot{Z}^a_A Z^A_a + \dot{\Psi}^q A \psi^A_q \approx 0$$ (5.6)

and eight fermionic

$$\dot{\Psi}^q A Z^A_a \approx 0, \quad \dot{Z}^a_A \psi^A_q \approx 0$$ (5.7)

first-class constraints quadratic in supertwistors. These are the generators of the $su(2|2)$ gauge superalgebra named color superalgebra in [21].

In our previous work [48] massless superparticle model in the four-supertwistor formulation was quantized in the simplest case when it propagates only within the $AdS_5$ subspace of the $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superspace, i.e. momentum components in directions tangent to $S^5$ vanish. In supertwistor formulation this amounts to vanishing of $\Psi^A_q$ and $\dot{\Psi}^q A$ supertwistors so that only the c-type supertwistors $Z^A_a$ and $\dot{Z}^a_A$ are dynamical variables. It was demonstrated that
the states of quantized superparticle coincide with the $D = 5$ $N = 8$ gauged supergravity multiplet \[53\] both in the supertwistor and superoscillator approaches.

In general all four superambitwistors contribute. Their (anti)commutation relations are found to be

$$[Z^A, \bar{Z}^B] = \delta^A_B \delta_{\bar{B}}^\bar{A}, \quad [\Psi^A, \bar{\Psi}^\bar{B}] = \delta^A_\bar{B} \delta^\bar{B}_A.$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.8)

To set up the stage for superambitwistor quantization let us introduce individual notation for the components of $c$- and $a$-type supertwistors

$$Z_1^A \equiv Z^A = \begin{pmatrix} Z^\alpha \\ \eta_A \end{pmatrix}, \quad Z_1^A \equiv Z_A = (Z_\alpha, \bar{\eta}_A),$$

$$Z_2^A \equiv \Psi^A = \begin{pmatrix} W^\alpha \\ \zeta_A \end{pmatrix}, \quad Z_2^A \equiv \Psi_A = (\bar{W}_\alpha, \bar{\zeta}_A).$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.9)

and

$$\Psi_1^A \equiv \Psi^A = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^\alpha \\ L_A \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Psi_1^A \equiv \Psi_A = (\bar{\xi}_\alpha, L_A),$$

$$\Psi_2^A \equiv \Xi^A = \begin{pmatrix} \theta^\alpha \\ M_A \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Psi_2^A \equiv \Xi_A = (\bar{\theta}_\alpha, M_A).$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.10)

Let us further realize components of quantized supertwistors as the multiplication and differentiation operators

$$Z^\alpha \rightarrow Z^\alpha, \quad \bar{Z}_\alpha \rightarrow -\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{Z}^\alpha}, \quad \eta^A \rightarrow \eta^A, \quad \bar{\eta}_A \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\eta}_A},$$

$$W^\alpha \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial W^\alpha}, \quad \bar{W}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{W}_\alpha, \quad \zeta^A \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta_A}, \quad \bar{\zeta}_A \rightarrow \bar{\zeta}_A.$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.11)

and

$$\xi^\alpha \rightarrow \xi^\alpha, \quad \bar{\xi}_\alpha \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\xi}_\alpha}, \quad L_A \rightarrow L_A, \quad \bar{L}_A \rightarrow -\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{L}_A},$$

$$\theta^\alpha \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^\alpha}, \quad \bar{\theta}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\theta}_\alpha, \quad M_A \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial M_A}, \quad \bar{M}_A \rightarrow \bar{M}_A.$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.12)

where odd derivatives are defined to act from the left. Then the constraints \[5.6\] and \[5.7\] become differential operators acting in superambitwistor space. Let us a la Gupta-Bleuler quantization approach assume that the superparticle’s wave function is annihilated by the diagonal elements of the bosonic constraint matrices $L_1 = -L_2 = 0$ and $R_1 = -R_2 = 0$, as well as off-diagonal elements $L^2_1 \approx 0$ and $R^2_1 \approx 0$ that are given by the differential operators of utmost the first-order. As a result the superparticle’s wave function satisfies the following equations

$$(H_Z + H_{\bar{Z}})\mathcal{F}(h_z, h_{\bar{z}})[Z, \bar{Z}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}] = 0, \quad (H_\Psi + H_{\bar{\Psi}})\mathcal{F}(h_z, h_{\bar{z}})[Z, \bar{Z}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}] = 0,$$

$$\bar{W}_A Z^A \mathcal{F}(h_z, h_{\bar{z}})[Z, \bar{Z}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}] = \bar{Z}_A \Psi^A \mathcal{F}(h_z, h_{\bar{z}})[Z, \bar{Z}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}] = 0,$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.13)

where

$$H_Z = Z^A \frac{\partial}{\partial Z^A} = Z^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial Z^\alpha} + \eta^A \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta^A}, \quad H_{\bar{Z}} = \bar{W}_A \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{W}_A} = \bar{W}_\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{W}_\alpha} + \bar{\xi}_A \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\xi}_A}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.14)

and

$$H_\Psi = \Psi^A \frac{\partial}{\partial \Psi^A} = \xi^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi^\alpha} + L^A \frac{\partial}{\partial L^A}, \quad H_{\bar{\Psi}} = \bar{\Xi}_A \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\Xi}_A} = \bar{\theta}_\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}_\alpha} + \bar{M}_A \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{M}_A}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.15)
are dilatation operators in each of the ambitwistor variables. Their eigenvalues — homogeneity degrees in respective arguments $h_Z$, $h_{\Psi}$, $h_\Psi$ and $h_\bar{\Psi}$ are indicated in the subscript of the superparticle’s wave function. Extra equation

$$(H_Z - H_\Psi + H_\Psi - H_{\bar{\Psi}}) \mathcal{F}(h_Z, h_\Psi, h_\Psi, h_{\bar{\Psi}})(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}) = 0$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.16)$$

comes from the last constraint in \((5.6)\). Thus there are three equations for four homogeneity degrees so we can introduce one arbitrary parameter $h$ and write $\mathcal{F}(h_Z, h_\Psi, h_\Psi, h_{\bar{\Psi}})(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}) = \mathcal{F}(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi})$. Besides that impose on the superparticle’s wave function the equations that stem from the odd constraints and are given by the utmost first-order differential operators. In the realization \((5.11), (5.12)\) two odd constraints $\bar{W}_A \Psi^A \approx 0$ and $\bar{\Xi}_A Z^A \approx 0$ translate into algebraic equations

$$\bar{W}_A \Psi^A \mathcal{F}(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}) = \bar{\Xi}_A Z^A \mathcal{F}(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}) = 0$$ \hspace{1cm} (5.17)$$

that together with two algebraic equations in \((5.13)\) can be taken into account by introducing the delta-function factors

$$\mathcal{F}(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}) = \delta(\bar{W}Z) \delta(\bar{\Xi}\Psi) \delta(\bar{W}\Psi) \delta(\bar{\Xi}Z) F(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}).$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.18)$$

Additionally two pairs of the conjugate constraints $\bar{\Psi}^A Z^A \approx 0$, $\bar{\Xi}_A Z^A \approx 0$ and $\bar{W}_A \Psi^A \approx 0$, $\bar{\Xi}_A Z^A \approx 0$ yield first-order differential equations. Assuming that in each pair of the equations associated with these constraints one equation is imposed on the superparticle’s wave function and another on its conjugate gives four possible sets of equations that will be analyzed elsewhere. As an example we present one set of such equations

$$(-)^A Z^A \frac{\partial}{\partial \Psi^A} \mathcal{F}(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}) = \bar{\Xi}_A \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{W}^A} \mathcal{F}(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}) = 0,$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.19)$$

where in the first equation it is assumed that $SU(2, 2)_L$ index has parity zero and $SU(4)_L$ index has parity one. Since the differential operators in \((5.19)\) annihilate delta-function factors introduced in \((5.18)\) we obtain

$$(-)^A Z^A \frac{\partial}{\partial \Psi^A} F(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}) = \bar{\Xi}_A \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{W}^A} F(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}) = 0.$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.20)$$

Analysis of these and other equations and of the Penrose transform of the function $F(h, -h|-h, h)(Z, \bar{W}, \Psi, \bar{\Psi})$ is postponed for future study.

6 Conclusion

In the present paper we addressed the issue of deriving supertwistor formulation for $D = 10$ massless superparticle on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superbackground starting with the first-order representation of the superspace Lagrangian, in which momentum components tangent to $AdS_5$ and $S^5$ are expressed via the $Spin(1, 4)$ and $Spin(5)$ variables. Resulting supertwistors coincide with those found in \([21]\) so that we not only established their origin but also derived the incidence relations with the $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superspace coordinates via the $PSU(2, 2|4)/(SO(1, 4) \times SO(5))$ supercoset representative. Using the incidence relations we have identified the set of bosonic and fermionic constraints that these supertwistors satisfy and calculated their classical algebra. It appears that among the constraints there are the second-class ones that complicates canonical analysis of the model. We have shown that using the constraints for the spinor
variables it is possible to exclude half of them from the expressions for the momentum components reducing the eight-supertwistor form of the superparticle’s Lagrangian to the four-supertwistor form. Respective supertwistors were proposed in [22] and the incidence relations with the $AdS_5 \times S^5$ coordinates were obtained in [48]. This not only explains the origin of both kinds of supertwistors pertinent to the $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superparticle model but also establishes the relation between them. The advantage of the four-supertwistor formulation is the presence of only the first-class constraints. As a result we have obtained the set of equations for the superparticle’s wave function in the superambitwistor space that generalize those of Ref. [48].

In general the distinctive feature of the twistor formulations is that the Lagrangian of the superparticle models is quadratic in supertwistors as well as the constraints. This is of particular importance for curved superbackgrounds such as $AdS_5 \times S^5$ one, for which, depending on the parametrization, supervielbein components may be highly non-linear in the superspace coordinates. The difficulty with the supertwistor formulation is to provide a space-time interpretation of the states of quantized model. In the case when the superparticle moves within the $AdS_5$ subspace of the $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superspace we succeeded in [48] to map its quantum states to those of the supermultiplet of $D = 5$ $N = 8$ gauged supergravity [53] both in the superoscillator and supertwistor approaches. Next task is to extend these results to the generic case and find a relation between the components of the superparticle’s wave function and the towers of Kaluza-Klein states of the IIB supergravity compactified on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superbackground.

We also plan to examine the spectrum of quantized tensionless supertwistor string on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ sketched in [48] and its relation to the higher-spin supermultiplets emerging on both sides of $AdS_5/CFT_4$ duality in the limit of vanishing ’t Hooft coupling [77], [78]. Supertwistor formulation of the tensile $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superstring is another direction of the generalization of the results reported here. Such a formulation could be an interesting alternative to the superspace formulation based on the $PSU(2,2|4)/(SO(1,4) \times SO(5))$ supercoset sigma-model [79], [80].

Finally in [22] there were considered twistor gauges for superparticle models relevant to other maximally supersymmetric backgrounds. It is of interest to obtain incidence relations for these supertwistors starting with the superspace formulations of conventional superparticle models on such superbackgrounds and study their quantization.

A  Details of the spinor algebra

In Appendix A of Ref. [48] there were collected the details of the spinor algebra in $D = 2 + 4$ and $D = 1 + 4$ dimensions alongside with the realization of the $D = 1 + 4$ $\gamma$-matrices with manifest $SL(2,\mathbb{C})$ symmetry that was used for the supermatrix realization of the generators of $psu(2,2|4)$ superalgebra as $D = 4$ $N = 4$ superconformal algebra. In order to spell out the relations between the $D = 1 + 4$ spinor and vector Lorentz harmonics parametrizing the $SO(1,4)/SO(4)$ coset space another realization of the $D = 1 + 4$ $\gamma$-matrices is used that manifests $SO(4) \simeq SU(2) \times SU(2)$ symmetry

$$
\gamma^0{}^\alpha_\beta = \left( \begin{smallmatrix} \delta_a^b & 0 \\ 0 & -\delta^\dot{b}_{\dot{a}} \end{smallmatrix} \right), \quad \gamma^i{}^\alpha_\beta = \left( \begin{smallmatrix} 0 & \sigma^i_{ab} \\ -\sigma^{i\dot{a}}_{\dot{b}} & 0 \end{smallmatrix} \right), \quad \hat{I} = 1, 2, 3, 4. \tag{A.1}$$

$D = 1 + 4$ $\gamma$-matrix algebra

$$
\gamma^{m'}{}^\alpha_\alpha \gamma^{n'}{}^\beta_\beta + \gamma^{n'}{}^\alpha_\beta \gamma^{m'}{}^\beta_\alpha = -2\eta^{m'n'}\delta^\delta_\alpha, \quad m' = 0, \hat{I} \tag{A.2}$$
in this realization is fulfilled due to relations that obey \( \sigma_{ab}^I \) and \( \bar{\sigma}^{Iab} = \varepsilon^{bc} \varepsilon^{ad} \sigma_{cd}^I \)

\[
\sigma_{ab}^I \bar{\sigma}^{Ibc} + \sigma_{ab}^I \bar{\sigma}^{Ibc} = -2 \delta^I_{\delta_a^c}.
\] (A.3)

Matrices \( \sigma^{1,2,3} \) coincide with the Pauli matrices and \( \sigma^4 = \pm i \mathbb{I} \). Charge conjugation matrices in this realization are chosen as

\[
C_{\alpha \beta} = \begin{pmatrix} -\varepsilon_{ab} & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{ab} \end{pmatrix}, \quad C^{\alpha \beta} = \begin{pmatrix} -\varepsilon_{ab} & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{ab} \end{pmatrix},
\] (A.4)

where \( \varepsilon_{ab}, \varepsilon_{ab}^{bc} = \delta_c^a \) and \( \varepsilon_{ab}^{bc}, \varepsilon_{ab}^{bc} = \delta_c^a \) are used to change the positions of the fundamental representation indices of the two \( SU(2) \) factors of \( SO(4) \). \( \gamma \)-matrix realization (A.1) and that used in Ref. [48] are related by the similarity transformation analogous to that connecting \( D = 1 + 3 \) \( \gamma \)-matrices in canonical and Weyl bases (see, e.g. [81]).

To write expressions for the D.B. relations of the constraints can be schematically written as \( D.B. = \pm i \mathbb{I} \) \( \sigma^{\alpha \beta} \) \( \gamma_I \) \( L_N \) matrices with manifest \( SO(4) \) covariance

\[
\gamma^{I L N} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_{qp}^I \\ -\bar{\sigma}^{Iqp} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad I = 1, 2, 3, 4, \quad \gamma^{5 L N} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta^I_q & 0 \\ 0 & -\delta^I_p \end{pmatrix},
\] (A.5)

where \( \sigma_{qp}^I \) and \( \bar{\sigma}^{Iqp} \) satisfy the same relations as in (A.3). \( Spin(5) \approx USp(4) \) charge conjugation matrices in this realization equal

\[
C_{L N} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{qp} & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{qp} \end{pmatrix}, \quad C^{L N} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{qp} & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{qp} \end{pmatrix}.
\] (A.6)

## B Algebra of the constraints for eight-supertwistor formulation

For completeness we present here those D.B. relations of the constraints in the eight-supertwistor formulation of the superparticle that have not been given in the main text.

D.B. relations of the fermionic constraints apart from those in Eqs. (4.35) and (4.36) are

\[
\begin{align*}
\{ \bar{Z}_A^a \psi^A_q, \bar{\psi}_B^p Z^B_b \}_D.B. = i \delta^a_q \bar{Z}_A^a Z^B_b & \approx 0, \\
\{ \bar{Z}_A^a \psi^A_q, \bar{\psi}_B^p Z^B_b \}_D.B. = i \delta^a_q \bar{Z}_A^a Z^B_b & \approx 0, \\
\{ \bar{Z}_A^a \psi^A_q, \bar{\psi}_B^p Z^B_b \}_D.B. = i \delta^a_q \bar{Z}_A^a Z^B_b & \approx 0, \\
\{ \bar{Z}_A^a \psi^A_q, \bar{\psi}_B^p Z^B_b \}_D.B. = i \delta^a_q \bar{Z}_A^a Z^B_b & \approx 0,
\end{align*}
\] (B.1)

D.B. relations of \( U \) with the fermionic constraints can be schematically written as

\[
\{ U, Q_\pm \}_D.B. = \pm 2i Q_\pm,
\] (B.2)

where

\[
Q_+ = \{ \bar{Z}_A^a \psi^A_q, \bar{Z}_A^a \psi^A_q, \bar{Z}_A^a \psi^A_q, \bar{Z}_A^a \psi^A_q \}, \quad Q_- = \{ \bar{\psi}_A^a Z^A_a, \bar{\psi}_A^a Z^A_a, \bar{\psi}_A^a Z^A_a, \bar{\psi}_A^a Z^A_a \}.
\] (B.3)
D.B. relations of the constraints (4.30) and (4.31) are
\[
\{ L^a_b, \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c \}_{D.B.} = \frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c - i \delta^a_c \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c, \quad \{ L^a_b, \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^B_{Ac} \}_{D.B.} = -\frac{i}{2} \delta^a_b \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^B_{Ac} + i \delta^a_c \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^B_{Ac},
\]

D.B. relations of the constraints (4.33) and (4.34) read
\[
\{ R^q_p, \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r \}_{D.B.} = \frac{i}{2} \delta^q_p \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r - i \delta^q_p \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r, \quad \{ R^q_p, \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r \}_{D.B.} = -\frac{i}{2} \delta^q_p \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r + i \delta^q_p \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r,
\]

Similarly D.B. relations of the constraints (4.32) and (4.33) read
\[
\{ S^q_p, \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r \}_{D.B.} = \frac{i}{2} \delta^q_p \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r - i \delta^q_p \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r, \quad \{ S^q_p, \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r \}_{D.B.} = -\frac{i}{2} \delta^q_p \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r + i \delta^q_p \bar{\Psi}_{Ap} \Psi^q_r,
\]

Finally we present D.B. relations for bosonic and fermionic constraints. D.B. relations that involve fermionic first-class constraints are
\[
\{ \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c, \bar{Z}_{Ba} \Psi^B_q \}_{D.B.} = i \delta^b_c \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c, \quad \{ \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c, \bar{Z}_{Ba} \Psi^B_q \}_{D.B.} = -i \delta^b_c \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c,
\]

D.B. relations involving fermionic second-class constraints are
\[
\{ \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c, \bar{Z}_{Ba} \Psi^B_q \}_{D.B.} = i \delta^b_c \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c, \quad \{ \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c, \bar{Z}_{Ba} \Psi^B_q \}_{D.B.} = -i \delta^b_c \bar{Z}_{Ac} Z^A_c,
\]

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