

"exists": preserves relns

"unique": generators

5/5/03

• trivial rep: each elt acts as ident.

•  $U(1) \longleftrightarrow GL(\mathbb{C})$   
 $\alpha \longmapsto \alpha$  defining rep.

review of hmwk from last time: "Lie grp coincidences"

① Show  $C_n$  has a unique  $*$ -structure  $*$ :  $C_n \rightarrow C_n$  st  
 $e_i^* = -e_i$ .

pf: There is a unique antihomo  $*$ :  $C_n \rightarrow C_n$  w/  $e_i^* = -e_i$   
because  $e_i$  generate  $C_n$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(\alpha a)^* &= \alpha a^* \\ (a+b)^* &= a^* + b^* \\ (ab)^* &= b^* a^*\end{aligned}$$

This antihomo exists because  $*$  preserves the relations  
in  $C_n$ .

$$\text{Reln: } e_i e_j + e_j e_i = 2\delta_{ij}$$

so we need to check that

$$(e_i e_j + e_j e_i)^* = -2\delta_{ij} 1^*$$

follows from relns:

$$e_j^* e_i^* + e_i^* e_j^* = -2\delta_{ij} 1$$

$$(-e_j)(-e_i) + (-e_i)(-e_j) = -2\delta_{ij} 1 \quad \text{which is the Clifford alg. reln.}$$

Finally, check  $a^{**} = a \quad \forall a \in C_n$ . Follows from  $e_i^{**} = e_i$ , and the fact that  $e_i$ 's generate  $C_n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note: } a^{**} = a \quad \Rightarrow \quad (ab)^{**} &= (b^* a^*)^* \\ b^{**} = b &\Rightarrow \quad = (a^{**} b^{**}) \\ &= ab \end{aligned}$$

and similarly for  $(a+b)^{**}$ ,  $(\alpha a)^{**}$ ; so once generators have  $a^{**} = a$  we get it for all  $a$ .

Result of hwk:

Thm - If  $G$  is a compact Lie group, then  $\mathfrak{g}$  is isomorphic to a direct sum of copies of:

$$u(1), \underbrace{so(n), su(n), sp(n)}_{n \geq 2}$$

$\mathfrak{g}_2, \mathfrak{f}_4, \mathfrak{e}_6, \mathfrak{e}_7, \mathfrak{e}_8$  related to octonions

This decomposition is unique modulo the following isos:

$$so(3) \cong su(2) \cong sp(1)$$

↑  
relationship bet. Pauli matrices &  $\mathbb{H}$  (quaternions)

$$so(4) \cong sp(1) \oplus sp(1)$$

$$so(5) \cong sp(2)$$

$$so(6) \cong su(4)$$

Because of Bott periodicity, rotations in  $n$ -dim'l space repeats every 8 dimensions.

### Spinors & Standard Model

Leptons  $\ell$ , quarks — spin  $1/2$  reps.

Recall: Massive spin-0 rep: Take Minkowski spacetime

$$\mathbb{R}^{n,1} \cong \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \text{ w/ } g(v,w) = v_1 w_1 + \dots + v_n w_n - v_{n+1} w_{n+1}$$

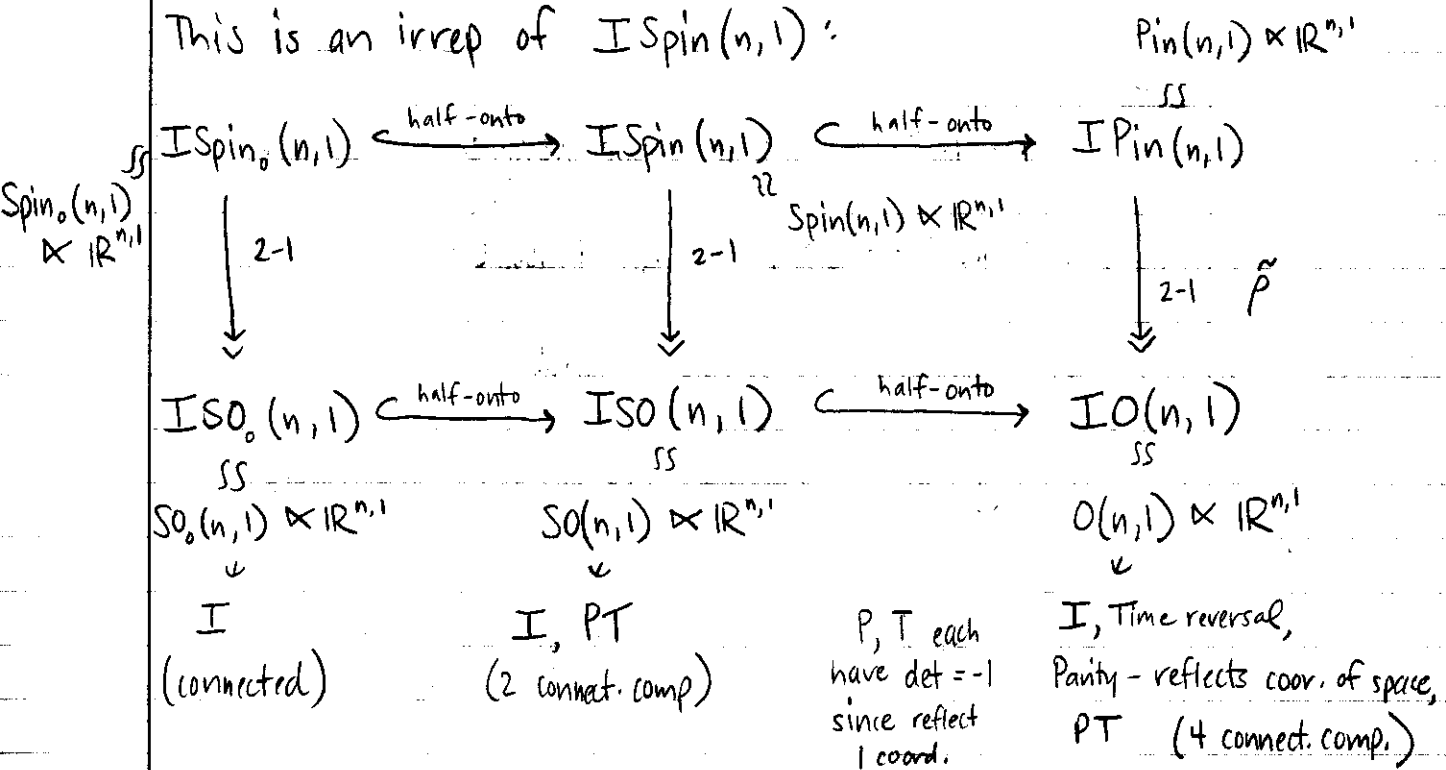
and consider the space of "scalar fields"

$$\psi: \mathbb{R}^{n,1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

satisfying the Klein-Gordon eq:  $(\square - m^2)\psi = 0$

where  $\square = g^{ab} \partial_a \partial_b$ .

This is an irrep of  $\text{ISpin}(n,1)$ :



\* All grps on prev pg have same Lie alg.

Note:  $\text{ISpin}_0(n,1)$  is connected & simply connected.

In fact, massive spin-0 particle is a rep. of  $\text{IO}(n,1)$  via:

$$(g\varphi)(x) = \varphi(g^{-1}x) \quad \begin{array}{l} x \in \mathbb{R}^{n,1} \\ g \in \text{O}(n,1) \end{array}$$

$\text{IO}(n,1)$  — all symmetries of spacetime.

### Massive spin-1/2 particle

Form the Clifford algebra  $C_{n,1}^{\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}}$  and pick a representation

$$\gamma: C_{n,1} \longrightarrow \text{End}(V)$$

for some v. space  $V$  (real or complex)

Given

$$\psi: \mathbb{R}^{n,1} \longrightarrow V \quad \text{we define}$$

$$\not\psi: \mathbb{R}^{n,1} \longrightarrow V \quad \text{as follows:}$$

gamma  
matrices

Let  $\gamma_i = \gamma(e_i) \in \text{End}(V)$  and

$$\gamma^i = g^{ij} \gamma_j \quad (\text{using Einstein sum convention})$$

and note

$$\gamma_i \gamma_j + \gamma_j \gamma_i = 2 g_{ij} 1_V$$

and thus  $\gamma^i \gamma^j + \gamma^j \gamma^i = 2g^{ij} 1_v$

Then let  $\not{x} = \gamma^i x_i$  (Feynman:  $\not{x} = \gamma^i a_i$ )

$\not{x}$  is good because  $\not{x}^2 = (\gamma^i x_i)(\gamma^j x_j)$

$$= \gamma^i \gamma^j x_i x_j$$

mixed partial

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\gamma^i \gamma^j + \gamma^j \gamma^i) x_i x_j$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2g^{ij} 1_v) x_i x_j$$

$$= g^{ij} x_i x_j = \square$$

The Dirac eqn. w/ mass  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  is

$$(\not{x} + m) \psi = 0$$

This implies the Klein-Gordon eqn:

$$0 = (\not{x} - m)(\not{x} + m) \psi = (\not{x}^2 - m^2) \psi = (\square - m^2) \psi$$

Particle physicists prefer the opposite sign of  $g$  and write the Klein-Gordon eqn as

$$(\square + m^2) \psi = 0$$

But this forces our  $v.$  space to be complex!

A rep:  $\rho: G \rightarrow GL(V)$ , so  $V$  is the space of solns and below is how a grp elt gives an elt of  $GL(V)$

We have  $(\square + m^2) = (\not{x} + im)(\not{x} - im)$

but this only works if  $V$  is complex!

The space of solutions of  $(\not{x} + m)\psi = 0$  is a rep. of  $ISpin(n,1)$ .  
How?

is a v. space so a rep.

$$ISpin(n,1) = Spin(n,1) \ltimes \mathbb{R}^{n,1}$$

$$g \longmapsto (L, v) \quad \begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \text{translation} \end{matrix}$$

Given a solution  $\psi$  of our eqn, so is  $g\psi$  where

$$\rho(g)\psi \stackrel{''}{=} (g\psi)(x) = L \left( \underbrace{\psi(\tilde{\rho}(g^{-1})x)}_V \right) \quad \begin{matrix} ISpin(n,1) \\ \downarrow \tilde{\rho} \\ ISO(n,1) \\ \text{acts as transf.} \\ \text{of } \mathbb{R}^{n,1}. \end{matrix}$$

$L \in Spin(n,1)$ , and acts on v. space  $V$ .

where  $L$  acts on  $V$  because

$$C_{n,1} \text{ acts on } V \text{ and } L \in Spin(n,1) \subseteq C_{n,1}^0 \subset C_{n,1}.$$

Therefore,  $L \in C_{n,1}$ , so knows how to act on guys in  $V$ .

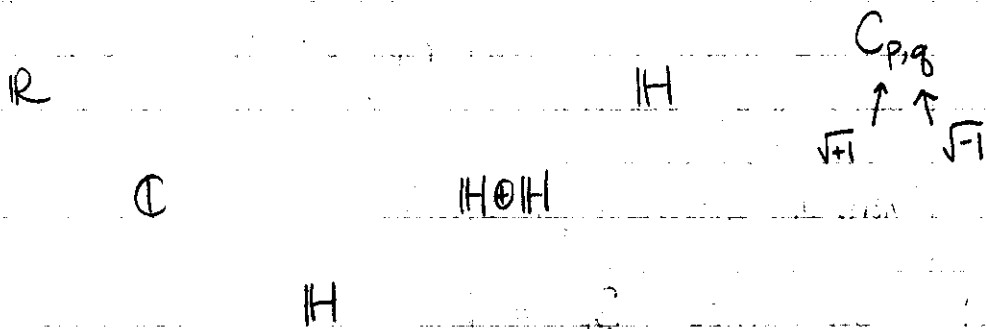
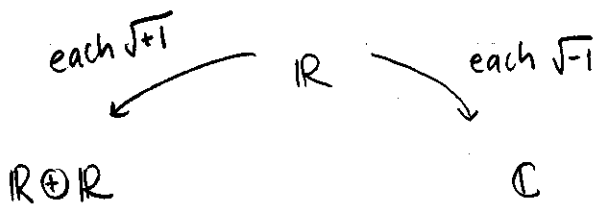
\* Check:  $(gg')\psi = g(g'(\psi)).$

$V$  is a rep of Clifford alg.

If we take  $V$  to be an irrep of  $C_{n,1}$ , also known as a pinor rep, then we call the space of solns

$$\{ \psi: \mathbb{R}^{n,1} \rightarrow V \mid (\not{x} + m) \psi = 0 \}$$

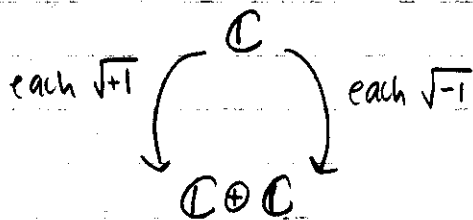
a "mass- $m$  spin- $1/2$  rep" of  $\text{ISpin}(n,1)$ .



$$C_{2,1} = \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}, \quad C_{6,1} = \mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{H}$$

$C_{n,1}$  has two pinor reps if  $n = 2, 6 \pmod{8}$  and one otherwise.

We can also look at  $C_{n,1}$  and its complex irreps, aka complex pinors, and play the same game.



$C_{n,1}$  has two complex pinor reps if  $n = 0 \pmod{2}$ ; one otherwise.

Moral: For us,  $n=3$ , so we don't get two kinds of pinors, real or complex.

Massless spin-1/2 particle (e.g. all fermions in Standard Model)

If  $m=0$  the Dirac eqn.

$$\not{\partial}\psi = 0$$

makes sense even if  $\psi$  is just a spinor, not a pinor.

Spinors aren't necessarily reps of  $C_{n,1}$ , so what does  $\delta^j \delta_i \psi$  mean?

There are different possibilities:

1) Sometimes  $S_{n,1} \cong P_{n,1}$

i.e. we get spinors by restricting pinors to be rep of  $\text{Spin}(n,1) \subseteq \text{Pin}(n,1)$

2) Sometimes  $S_{n,1}^+ \oplus S_{n,1}^- \cong P_{n,1}$  and if

$$a \in C_{n,1}^0,$$

$$\delta(a): S_{n,1}^\pm \longrightarrow S_{n,1}^\pm \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} + \mapsto + \\ - \mapsto - \end{array} \right)$$

while if  $a \in C_{n,1}'$

$$\delta(a): S_{n,1}^\pm \longrightarrow S_{n,1}^\mp \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} + \mapsto - \\ - \mapsto + \end{array} \right)$$

We'll see this for  $n=3$ .



Recall—

$$\not\partial = \delta^i \partial_i = g^{ij} \underbrace{\delta(e_j)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ C_{n,1}^i - \text{odd}}} \partial_i$$

so if  $\psi: \mathbb{R}^{n,1} \rightarrow S_{n,1}^\pm$  then

$$\not\partial \psi: \mathbb{R}^{n,1} \rightarrow S_{n,1}^\mp$$

so  $\not\partial \psi = 0$  makes sense.

We can't do this trick for  $m \neq 0$ , since

$$(\not\partial + m)\psi = 0$$

↑ takes left to right handed spinors  
↖ takes left to left handed spinors

In this case we call

$$\left\{ \psi: \mathbb{R}^{n,1} \rightarrow S_{n,1}^\pm \mid \not\partial \psi = 0 \right\}$$

the massless left/right handed spin-1/2 rep. of  $ISpin(n,1)$

All the fermions we see are of these 2 forms.

Again— we need to find a complex Hilbert space of solns to get a unitary rep of  $ISpin(n,1)$ .

Let's try  $n=3$ .

$$C_{3,1} \cong \mathbb{R}[4]$$

$\dim = 2^{3+1} = 16 = 4^2$ , so  $4 \times 4$  matrices

so pinors are:

$$P_{3,1} \cong \mathbb{R}^4 \quad (\text{reps on } C_{3,1}) \quad (4 \times 4 \text{ matrices act on col. vector of 4 entries})$$

and

$$\{ \psi : \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^4 \mid (\not{D} + m)\psi = 0 \}$$

describes mass- $m$  spin- $1/2$  particles which are their own antiparticles

- anti-particles - conjugate rep.
- rep = own conj.  $\Leftrightarrow$  particle is <sup>its</sup> own antiparticle

Because this rep is  $\cong$  to its conjugate rep since our fields take values in a real v. space.

Possibly neutrinos are Majorana spinors.

complexify:  $C_{3,1} \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}[4] \cong \mathbb{C}[4]$

so complex pinors are

$$P_{3,1}^{\mathbb{C}} \cong \mathbb{C}^4$$

Dirac spinors

called Majorana spinors

$U(1)$  - describes electric charge!

and  $\{ \psi: \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^+ \mid (\not{\partial} + m)\psi = 0 \}$

describe mass- $m$  spin- $1/2$  particles that aren't their own antiparticle; this is a rep of  $U(1) = \mathbb{C}$  so these particles naturally have charge.

Even part:

$$C_{3,1}^0 \cong C_{3,0} \xleftarrow{\dim=8} \cong \mathbb{C}[2] \text{ — has } \dim_{\mathbb{C}}=4, \text{ so } \dim_{\mathbb{R}}=8.$$

so spinors are

$$S_{3,1} \cong \mathbb{C}^2, \text{ compare w/ } P_{3,1} \cong \mathbb{R}^4$$

$\uparrow$  thinking of as a complex v.space       $\uparrow$  real v.space

In fact,  $S_{3,1}$  is just  $P_{3,1}$  restricted to the spin group's

now it can be made into a complex rep.

So - nothing really new.

$$C_{3,1}^0 \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes C_{3,1} \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{C}[2] \cong \mathbb{C}[2] \oplus \mathbb{C}[2]$$

so - we get 2 reps: left & right-handed complex spinors

are:  $S_{3,1}^{\mathbb{C}^{\pm}} \cong \mathbb{C}^2$

$\nwarrow$  left and right handed Weyl spinors

$$\{\psi: \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \longrightarrow S_{3,1}^{\mathbb{C}^{\pm}} \mid \not\psi = 0\}$$

describes left/right handed massless spin-1/2 particles.

The latest version of the Standard Model has all fermions (quarks, leptons) as these.

$$\mathbb{C}^4 = P_{3,1}^{\mathbb{C}} \cong \underbrace{S_{3,1}^{\mathbb{C}^+}}_{\mathbb{C}^2} \oplus \underbrace{S_{3,1}^{\mathbb{C}^-}}_{\mathbb{C}^2}$$

What about  $C_{1,3}$ ?

Only real pinors could possibly be different — everything else stays the same.

$$C_{1,3} \cong \mathbb{H}[2]$$

so,  $P_{1,3} \cong \mathbb{H}^2$  (Different than  $P_{3,1} \cong \mathbb{R}^4$ )

But  $\mathbb{H}^2$  resembles  $\mathbb{C}^4$ ...

These give the same rep of  $\text{ISpin}(3,1)$  as  $P_{3,1}^{\mathbb{C}} \cong \mathbb{C}^4$

but for some reason now we're thinking of  $\psi$  as 2 quaternions instead of 4 complex numbers.

5/6/03 (notes on 4/29/03)

QM

In CM — if your system is in some state, if you check to see if it's in another state — answer is always no. This is NOT true in QM — it can be in 2 states at once.

In QM — put a system in a state  $\psi$ , check to see if it's in the state  $\psi$ , answer is always yes. But this doesn't mean that if we check to see if it's in state  $\phi$  answer is no!

$$|\langle \phi_i, \phi_j \rangle|^2 = \delta_{ij}, \quad \phi_i \text{ o.n. basis.}$$

Observable — real-valued quantity we can measure about the system

(these correspond to self-adjoint operators on Hilb. space  $H$ .  
 $A: H \rightarrow H$ )

We get different probabilities for each # when we measure an observable in some state.

Suppose  $\phi_i$  is an o.n. basis st  $A\phi_i = a_i\phi_i$ ,  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$

↑ spectrum of possible values of the observable  $A$  in the state  $\phi_i$ .

If you measure  $A$  in some state  $\psi$ :

$$\psi = \sum \langle \phi_i, \psi \rangle \phi_i$$

Then the prob. of getting the result  $a_i$  is  $|\langle \phi_i, \psi \rangle|^2$ .

$$\langle \varphi_j, \varphi_i \rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

cong. lin.  
 $\swarrow$   
 $\searrow$  lin.

$$\langle \psi, A\psi \rangle = \sum_{i,j} \langle \varphi_i, \psi \rangle \overline{\langle \varphi_j, \psi \rangle} \langle \varphi_j, a_i \varphi_i \rangle$$

$$= \sum_i \underbrace{|\langle \varphi_i, \psi \rangle|^2}_{\text{probability of measuring } a_i} a_i \underbrace{\langle \varphi_j, \varphi_i \rangle}_{\text{what we measure } \forall i} = \delta_{ij}$$

= average value of finding A in the state  $\psi$   
 "expected value"

unitary operators on  $H$  — preserve all structure of Hilbert space.

We call these symmetries  $U: H \rightarrow H$ . A symmetry maps states to states. (ex - move everything over 2 feet)  
 $U$  - unitary means preserves inner products, so

$$\langle U\varphi, U\psi \rangle = \langle \varphi, \psi \rangle \quad \text{and}$$

$$|\langle U\varphi, U\psi \rangle|^2 = |\langle \varphi, \psi \rangle|^2$$

A group of symmetries gives a unitary rep

$$\rho: G \rightarrow U(H)$$

To classify the reps, we need only to classify the irreducible ones.

translation  
 grp in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,  
 rotation grp  
 in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

Physics

Math

Two systems

Two Hilbert spaces  
 $H, H'$

"or" A system described using mutually exclusive possibilities (exclusive or)

$H \oplus H'$   
Let  $\{\varphi_i\}$  be an o.n. basis of  $H$   
 $\{\varphi_j'\}$  " "  $H'$

Then a basis for  $H \oplus H'$  is  $\{\varphi_i, \varphi_j'\}$

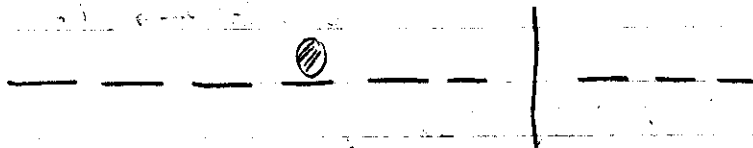
Combined system  
"and"

$H \otimes H'$   
 $\{\varphi_i \otimes \varphi_j'\}$

Some states of this system is a state of system 1 AND a state of system 2.

( means if  $H$  has 3 ways of being,  $H'$  has 6,  $H \otimes H'$  has 18 ways of being

$H \oplus H'$ :  $H$  - ball in 1 of 6 boxes  
 $H'$  - ball in 1 of 3 other boxes  
 $H \otimes H'$  - ball in 1 of 9 boxes



muffin/coffee —  $H \otimes H'$  = 9 ways  
the states of system is 1 of 6 ways for muffin to be or 1 of 3 ways for coffee to be —  
so coffee/muffin can change into each other.

Ex)  $H =$  box w/ an electron  
 $H' =$  box w/ a proton

$H \otimes H' =$  box w/ a proton & electron

$H \oplus H' =$  box w/ either a proton or electron in it

irreducible means — we can't describe the state as above as either this or that made up of

elementary goes along w/ direct sum

An elementary system w/ symmetry group  $G$  is an irreducible unitary rep of  $G$ . can't be describe as either "this or that"

So — an electron is an elementary particle means we can't describe it as either this or that!

Now — what is our group  $G$ ?

$$G = G_1 \times \dots \times G_n$$

an irrep of  $G$  is a tensor product of irreps of  $G_i$ .

$$\rho: G \longrightarrow U(H) \text{ will be } H = H_1 \otimes \dots \otimes H_n \leftarrow \text{irreps}$$

$$\rho_i: G_i \longrightarrow U(H_i)$$

$$\rho(g_1, \dots, g_n) = \rho_1(g_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_n(g_n).$$

What's an electron? An irrep of  $G$ , meaning made up of irreps of each  $G_i$ .



$SU(2)$ ,  $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$  has 1  $n$ -dim irrep  $\forall n$ , which we call spin- $j$  irrep where  $j = n/2$ .

electron - have right  $\hat{a}$ , left handed - this tells us the way it spins - they're both just electrons, but simply spin opposite ways.

ex) right-handed electron:

$$\psi: \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \longrightarrow S_{3,1}^{\mathbb{C}}$$

$$H = \left\{ \psi: \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 \text{ st } \not\equiv \psi = 0 \right\} \otimes \underbrace{\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{C}_{-2}}_{\text{are 1-dim'l}}$$

Hilbert space of right-handed electron

so  $H$  is just space of solns.

$$J_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ ang. mom. in } z\text{-direction} \quad J_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$J_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Pauli matrices}$$

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## 5/6/03 The Weyl algebra & Fock space

Quantization of 1D systems (eg particle on a line)

The classical phase space of a particle on a line is  
 $P = \mathbb{R}^2$  w/ coordinates  $p, q$   
momentum  $p$ , position  $q$

configuration space

phase space — position  $q$ , momentum

Phase space has a Poisson bracket  $\{p, q\} = 1$  1) 2)  
(see CM notes Fall 2002) 1) derivation, antisymmetric,  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear  
on space of funts on phase space

and satisfies Jacobi iden. 3)

(derivation)  $\{f, gh\} = \{f, g\}h + g\{f, h\}$

We get  $C^\infty(P)$  is a Lie alg. and in fact a Poisson alg.  
(by 1-3) (adding in 0)

A classical mechanical system is a manifold  $P$  w/ a Poisson structure on  $C^\infty(P)$ .

According to Heisenberg to quantize this system we replace the classical "algebra of observables"  $C^\infty(P)$  by an algebra of operators on a Hilbert space.

Dirac quantization prescription:

functions  $f \longmapsto$  operators  $\hat{f}$  we require

$$\hat{f}\hat{g} - \hat{g}\hat{f} =: [\hat{f}, \hat{g}] = -i\hbar \{f, g\}$$

↑  
Planck's constant

another operator

We'd like to do this, but it's impossible!

$fg = gf$  for functions, but not operators  $\hat{f}\hat{g} \neq \hat{g}\hat{f}$ .

We'll content ourselves w/ doing  $f \rightarrow \hat{f}$  when  $f$  is a linear function on  $P$ .  $P$  was a manifold, now is a vector space.

We'll concentrate on  $\left. \begin{array}{l} q \mapsto \hat{q} \\ p \mapsto \hat{p} \end{array} \right\}$  operators on some Hilbert space.

Since  $\{p, q\} = 1$  then by Dirac  $[\hat{p}, \hat{q}] = -i\hbar \hat{1}$ .

Schrödinger representation:  $\left( \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \text{End}(H) \\ \text{alg. of observables} \end{array} \right)$

Is  $H = L^2(\mathbb{R})$

this is the line that the particle lives in.

$$\hat{q}: \psi \mapsto (\hat{q}\psi)(x) = x\psi(x)$$

$$(\hat{p}\psi)(x) = -i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$$

$\hat{p}$  &  $\hat{q}$  are densely defined unbounded operators on  $H$ .

ex)  $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}) = \{\text{compactly supported } C^\infty\text{-functs}\}$

$$\overline{C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})} = L^2(\mathbb{R})$$

$[\hat{p}, \hat{q}] = -i\hbar \hat{1}$  wants to eat a function...

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{p}, \hat{q}]\psi(x) &= \hat{p}\hat{q}\psi(x) - \hat{q}\hat{p}\psi(x) = \hat{p}x\psi(x) + \hat{q}i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi(x)}{\partial x} \\ &= -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x\psi(x)) + x i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi(x)}{\partial x} \\ &= -i\hbar \psi(x) \\ &= -i\hbar (\hat{1}\psi)(x) \end{aligned}$$

## operators:

• densely defined  $\hat{a}$ , bounded  $\Rightarrow$  extends by continuity to everywhere defined

• everywhere defined  $\hat{e}$ , unbounded requires nonconstructive method

$(P, C^\infty(P), \{\cdot, \cdot\}) \rightsquigarrow (P \text{ is a v. space, } P^* \text{ is a space of linear functions, } W \text{ is a symplectic bilinear form on } P^*)$

$$W: P^* \times P^* \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

linear funts  $(f, g) \longmapsto \{f, g\}$

Poisson bracket of linear funts is a multiple of 1. In general,  $\{, \}$  of 2 funts is a funt. But if they're linear  $\hat{a}$ ; we assume  $\{p, q\} = 1$  we get the  $\{, \} \in \mathbb{R}$ .

similar to a metric on  $V$ . { A symplectic form on a v. space  $V$  is a skew-symmetric, non-degenerate bilinear form on  $V$ .

if

$$\begin{aligned} w(x, y) + w(y, x) &= 0 \quad \forall x, y \in V && \text{(skew-symm)} \\ w(x, y) &= 0 \quad \forall y \in V \text{ then } x = 0. && \text{(non-deg)} \\ w(ax + by, z) &= aw(x, z) + bw(y, z) && \text{(bilinear form)} \end{aligned}$$

$\{p, q\} = 1$  implies  $\{p, f(q)\} = f'(q)$  if  $f$  is analytic

A vector space w/ a symplectic form on it is called a symplectic vector space.

If  $(V, \omega)$  is a symplectic v. space, we define the Weyl alg on  $(V, \omega)$ :

$$W(V, \omega) := T(V) / \langle x \otimes y - y \otimes x = i\hbar \omega(x, y) \mathbb{1} \rangle$$

This is the alg. generated by  $V$  modulo the Heisenberg relns.

$$[\hat{x}, \hat{q}] = -i\hbar \omega(x, y) \hat{\mathbb{1}}$$

Compare to Clifford alg on  $(V, g)$ : If  $\dim(V) = n$ ,  
 $\dim C(V, g) = 2^n$ .

$$C(V, g) := T(V) / \langle x \otimes y + y \otimes x = 2g(x, y) \rangle$$

But  $W(V, \omega)$  is infinite dim'l even if  $\dim V = 2$ .

Let  $\dim V = 2$ ,  $p, q$  form a basis for  $V$  so we get:

$$\mathbb{1}, p, q, p^2, pq, qp, q^2, \dots$$

$pq = qp - i\hbar \omega(p, q)$ , so  $pq, qp$  are linearly dependent

so we get:  $\mathbb{1}, p, q, p^2, qp, q^2, p^3, qp^2, q^2p, q^3, \dots$

so,  $W(V, \omega)$  is <sup>iso as v. spaces</sup> the space of polys on  $(p, q)$  w/ a "twisted" product  $qp \neq pq$ .  
 (we put all  $q$ 's in front of all  $p$ 's).

Thm - If  $\hat{x}, \hat{y}$  are elements of a Banach algebra then

$$[\hat{x}, \hat{y}] \neq \hat{1}$$

(we can't put a finite norm on a representation of the Heisenberg relns)

A Banach algebra is an algebra w/ a norm  $\|\cdot\|$  defined on it st  $\|ab\| \leq \|a\|\|b\|$  and it's complete w/r/t norm topology.

pf: Assume  $[\hat{x}, \hat{y}] = \hat{1}$ , <sup>and  $y \neq 0$</sup>  then  $[x, y^n] = ny^{n-1}$   $\hat{1}$   $y^n = 0$  by induction (x acts like a deriv. of functs of y)

$$ny^{n-1} = xy^n - y^n x,$$

$$n\|y^{n-1}\| = \|xy^n - y^n x\| \leq \|xy^n\| + \|y^n x\| \leq 2\|x\|\|y\|\|y^{n-1}\|$$

so we can divide through by  $\|y^{n-1}\|$  and obtain:

$$n \leq 2\|x\|\|y\| \quad \forall n \rightarrow \leftarrow \quad \square$$

We can fix this by considering  $A \mapsto e^{iA}$  which maps possibly unbounded self-adjoint operators to unitary operators (w/ norm=1)

We had  $V = \mathbb{R}^2 \ni (p, q)$

$$(\hat{q}\psi)(x) = x\psi(x), \quad (\hat{p}\psi)(x) = -i\hbar \frac{d\psi}{dx}(x) \quad \text{on } L^2(\mathbb{R})$$

$$[e^{ik\hat{q}}\psi](x) = e^{ikx}\psi(x)$$

$$[e^{i\frac{a}{\hbar}\hat{p}}\psi](x) = \psi(x-a)$$

} unitary operators

\* the exponential of the derivatives is translation by Taylor's Thm

Let  $\varphi: V \longrightarrow W(V, \omega)$   
 $x \longmapsto x$  (inclusion) (linear)

Let  $\mathcal{W}: V \longrightarrow \mathcal{U}(H)$  — unitary operators on  $H$   
 $x \longmapsto e^{i\varphi(x)}$   
 $kx \longmapsto e^{i\varphi(kx)} = e^{ik\varphi(x)}$

(\*) What does  $\varphi(x)\varphi(y) - \varphi(y)\varphi(x) = -i\hbar\omega(x, y)$  imply for  $\mathcal{W}(x)$  and  $\mathcal{W}(y)$ ?

Thm — (Baker-Campbell-Hausdorff): If  $[x, y]$  commutes w/  
 $x$  and  $y$  then  $e^x e^y = e^{(x+y) + \frac{1}{2}[x, y]}$

If we apply this to  $e^{i\varphi(x)}$ , ... we get

$$\mathcal{W}(x)\mathcal{W}(y) = e^{i\varphi(x)} e^{i\varphi(y)} = e^{i(\varphi(x) + \varphi(y)) + \frac{1}{2}[i\varphi(x), i\varphi(y)]}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \varphi \text{ is linear } \downarrow \\ = e^{i\varphi(x+y) - \frac{1}{2}[\varphi(x), \varphi(y)]} \end{array}$$

$$= \mathcal{W}(x+y) e^{i\hbar/2 \omega(x, y)} \quad \downarrow \text{ by } (*)$$

A Weyl system on  $(V, \omega)$  is a map  $\mathcal{W}: V \longrightarrow \mathcal{U}(H)$   
 such that

$$\mathcal{W}(x)\mathcal{W}(y) = \mathcal{W}(x+y) e^{i\hbar/2 \omega(x, y)}$$

### Fock Space

In 1-dim we had  $\hat{p}, \hat{q}, [\hat{p}, \hat{q}] = -i\hbar$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda} \hat{q} + \frac{i\lambda}{\hbar} \hat{p} \right)$$

$\hat{a}$  has an adjoint

$$\hat{a}^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda} \hat{q} - \frac{i\lambda}{\hbar} \hat{p} \right), \text{ chosen so that } [\hat{a}, \hat{a}^+] = 1.$$

called the  
number  
operator

$\hat{N} = \hat{a}^+ \hat{a}$  is positive, self-adjoint and its spectrum is  $\mathbb{N}$

$\hat{N}$  has eigenvectors, one of them is zero:  $|0\rangle$  and satisfies

$$\hat{N}|0\rangle = 0$$

$$\hat{a}|0\rangle = 0 \rightarrow \hat{a} \text{ has one eigenvector } \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\hat{a}|z\rangle = z|z\rangle$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{C}} |z\rangle \langle z| dz d\bar{z} \propto 1$$

$\langle z|w\rangle \neq 0$  for any  
 $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$

For  $v \in H$ ,  $e$  is a vector of norm 1, then

$|e\rangle \langle e, v\rangle$  is the projection of  $v$  on the line spanned by  $e$ .

If  $|\psi\rangle$  is any state in  $H$  then  $\psi(z) = \langle z, \psi\rangle$

is a "wave function". Every state in  $H$  gets represented as a function from  $\mathbb{C}$  to  $\mathbb{C}$ .

$$\langle \psi, \phi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{C}} \langle \psi, z \rangle \langle z, \phi \rangle dz d\bar{z}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{C}} \psi^*(z) \phi(z) dz d\bar{z}$$