

Quantum Mechanics 2 :-

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Identical Particles

$$N \text{ particles} \rightarrow (\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N, \vec{p}_1, \dots, \vec{p}_N)$$

$$H \equiv H(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i) \quad i = 1(1)N.$$

For identical particles, $H(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N, \vec{p}_1, \dots, \vec{p}_N)$ remains the same under $(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i) \rightarrow (\vec{r}_j, \vec{p}_j)$

$$H\Psi = E\Psi$$

$$\Psi_n(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N)$$

$$\vec{r}_i \leftrightarrow \vec{r}_j$$

$\Rightarrow$ all eigenfunctions with the same eigenvalue

Additional conditions

For bosons $\Psi \rightarrow \Psi$ under $\vec{r}_i \leftrightarrow \vec{r}_j$

fermions $\rightarrow \Psi \rightarrow -\Psi$ under $\vec{r}_i \leftrightarrow \vec{r}_j$

Consider two mutually non-interacting identical bosons moving in a central potential.

$$H = h(\vec{r}_1, \vec{p}_1) + h(\vec{r}_2, \vec{p}_2)$$

Single particle energy eigenfunctions

$$\Psi_{nlm}(\vec{r}) = u_{nl}(\vec{r}) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

Non-identical particles

$$\Psi_{n_1 l_1 m_1}(\vec{r}_1) \Psi_{n_2 l_2 m_2}(\vec{r}_2)$$

Identical bosons :

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\Psi_{n_1 l_1 m_1}(\vec{r}_1) \Psi_{n_2 l_2 m_2}(\vec{r}_2) + \Psi_{n_1 l_1 m_1}(\vec{r}_2) \Psi_{n_2 l_2 m_2}(\vec{r}_1) \right)$$

For identical fermions:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\Psi_{n_1 l_1 m_1}(\vec{r}_1) \Psi_{n_2 l_2 m_2}(\vec{r}_2) - \Psi_{n_1 l_1 m_1}(\vec{r}_2) \Psi_{n_2 l_2 m_2}(\vec{r}_1) \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (n_1 l_1 m_1) &= (1 0 0) \\ (n_2 l_2 m_2) &= (1 0 0) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} (n_1 l_1 m_1) &= (1 0 0) \\ (n_2 l_2 m_2) &= (1 0 0) \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{(say)}$$

1-state for non-identical particles.

$$\vec{L} = 0.$$

(total angular momentum)

Identical bosons : 1 state, $\vec{L} = 0$

" fermions : no state.

(Exclusion principle)

$$\text{Consider } (n_1 l_1 m_1) = (1, 1, m_1)$$

$$(n_2 l_2 m_2) = (1, 1, m_2)$$

For non-identical particles : 9 states

$$|\vec{L}| \equiv 2, 1, 0.$$

$$(5 + 3 + 1) \text{ states}$$

Identical bosons : 6 states ; $L = 2 \text{ \& } 0$.

(Property of Clebsch-Gordon coefficients)

$$\sum_{m_1, m_2} C_{m \ m_1 \ m_2}^{l \ l_1 \ l_2} \Psi_{n_1 l_1 m_1}(\vec{r}_1) \Psi_{n_2 l_2 m_2}(\vec{r}_2)$$

$$C_{m \ m_1 \ m_2}^{l \ l_1 \ l_1} = (-1)^{l-2l_1} C_{m \ m_2 \ m_1}^{l \ l_1 \ l_1}$$

Identical fermions : 3 states, $L = 1$. (Think!)

Suppose, we have N identical non-interacting particles.

$$\text{Hamiltonian } h(N) = \sum_i h(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i).$$

Suppose further that eigenstates of $h(\vec{r}, \vec{p})$ are $u_n(\vec{r})$

$$h(\vec{r}, \vec{p}) u_n(\vec{r}) = e_n u_n(\vec{r}).$$

Basis states:

Bosons $\rightarrow u_{\{n_1, \dots, n_N\}}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N)$
 $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \left(u_{n_1}(\vec{r}_1) u_{n_2}(\vec{r}_2) \dots u_{n_N}(\vec{r}_N) + \text{all permutations of } \vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N \right)$

Fermions $\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \left(u_{n_1}(\vec{r}_1) \dots u_{n_N}(\vec{r}_N) + (-1)^P \times \text{all permutations of } \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N \right)$

P : no. of changes (exchanges) needed to produce the permutation

1 2 3 $P = 0$

3 2 1 $P = 1$

2 1 3 $P = 1$

But 1 2 3

1 3 2 $P = 1$

$\downarrow$

Whether P is even or odd is uniquely defined. (Property of permutation group)

2 1 3 $\downarrow$

2 3 1 $\downarrow$

3 2 1 $\downarrow$

$P = 3$

* A question about normalization $\rightarrow$ are all n_i 's different? (NOT IN GENERAL!) So $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}}$ might not be the correct normalization.

Occupation number representation:-

u_1 occurs m_1 times

u_2 " m_2 " and so on...

$m_1, m_2 \rightarrow 0, 1, 2, \dots$ (bosons)

$\rightarrow 0, 1$ (fermions)

Label the state by $|m_1, m_2, \dots\rangle$
 $N = \sum_i m_i$

The $N!$ terms are grouped into $\left(\prod_i m_i!\right)$ identical terms.
 There are $\frac{N!}{\prod_i m_i!}$ different terms. (Groups)

$$\langle m_1, m_2, \dots | m_1, m_2, \dots \rangle = \frac{1}{N!} \left(\prod_i m_i! \right)^2 \times \frac{N!}{\prod_i m_i!}$$

$$= \prod_i m_i!$$

* Limitation :- Refers to ~~A~~ fixed numbers of particles.

Second quantization:-

One particle time-dependent Schrödinger equation
 $i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t} = \hat{H} \Psi(\vec{r}, t)$

• Think of this as a classical field equation. (and quantize)

$u_n(\vec{r})$: Complete set of basis states in $\vec{r}$ space

$\Psi(\vec{r}, t) \rightarrow$ Think as a function of $\vec{r}$ at a fixed t .

$$\hat{H} u_n(\vec{r}) = e_n u_n(\vec{r})$$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_n \underbrace{a_n(t)}_{\downarrow} u_n(\vec{r})$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Think as degrees of freedom} \\ \text{of a classical system.} \end{array} \right.$
 For arguments' sake
assume $n = 1$

$$i\hbar \sum_n \frac{\partial a_n}{\partial t} u_n(\vec{r}) = \sum_n e_n a_n(t) u_n(\vec{r})$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} i\hbar \frac{\partial a_n}{\partial t} &= e_n a_n(t) \\ -i\hbar \frac{\partial a_n^*}{\partial t} &= e_n a_n^*(t) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Two equations} \\ \longleftrightarrow \\ \text{(Just like classical equations of motion.)} \end{array}$$

Action :-

$$\int dt \sum_n a_n^*(t) \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial a_n(t)}{\partial t} - e_n a_n(t) \right)$$

$$\delta(\text{Action}) = \int dt \sum_n \delta a_n^*(t) \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial a_n}{\partial t} - e_n a_n(t) \right) + \int dt \sum_n a_n^*(t) \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \delta a_n(t) - e_n \delta a_n(t) \right)$$

Think of a_n and a_n^* as independent variables.
(Equivalent to equating real and imaginary parts of δa_n separately to zero.)

$$\delta(\text{Action}) = \int dt \sum_n \delta a_n^*(t) \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial a_n}{\partial t} - e_n a_n \right) + \int dt \sum_n \delta a_n(t) \left(-i\hbar \frac{\partial a_n^*}{\partial t} - e_n a_n^* \right)$$

→ We get back the equations of motion. (0, 1)

Exercise : Show that action = $\int d^3r dt \Psi^*(\vec{r}, t) \times \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} - \hat{H} \Psi \right)$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_n a_n(t) u_n(\vec{r}) \quad \checkmark$$

→ This is called the Schrödinger action. (Generates Schrödinger equation from variational principle)

$$L = \sum_n a_n^*(t) \left(i\hbar \dot{a}_n(t) - e_n a_n(t) \right)$$

$$\dot{a}_n = \frac{da_n}{dt} \text{ by definition.}$$

$$L = \int d^3r \Psi(\vec{r}, t) \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} - \hat{h} \Psi \right) \quad (\text{In FT notation})$$

$$\pi_n = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{a}_n} = i\hbar a_n^*$$

$$H = \sum_n \pi_n \dot{a}_n - L$$

$$= \sum_n e_n a_n^* a_n$$

$$= \int d^3r \Psi^* \hat{h} \Psi \quad (\text{Find out!})$$

$$\{a_n, \pi_m\} = \delta_{mn}$$

$$i\hbar \{a_n(t), a_m^*(t)\} = \delta_{mn}$$

$\Downarrow$

Prove

$$i\hbar \{\Psi(\vec{r}, t), \Psi^*(\vec{r}', t)\} = \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$$

Quantization :-

$$i\hbar [a_m, a_m^\dagger] = i\hbar \delta_{mn}$$

$$\Rightarrow [a_n, a_m^\dagger] = \delta_{mn}$$

$$\Rightarrow [\Psi(\vec{r}, t), \Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}', t)] = \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$$

$$\hat{H} = \sum_n e_n a_n^\dagger a_n$$

$$= \int d^3r \Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}, t) \hat{h} \Psi(\vec{r}, t)$$

(System of infinite no. of harmonic oscillators!)

$$\{a_n, a_m\} = 0 \quad ; \quad \{a_n^*, a_m^*\} = 0$$

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Hilbert space

Define $|0\rangle$ such that $a_n|0\rangle = 0 \quad \forall n$.

Basis states: $a_{n_1}^\dagger a_{n_2}^\dagger \dots a_{n_N}^\dagger |0\rangle$

We can also represent the same as

$$(a_1^\dagger)^{m_1} (a_2^\dagger)^{m_2} \dots |0\rangle \quad m_1, m_2 = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$(a_1^\dagger)^2 a_2^\dagger |0\rangle = a_1^\dagger a_1^\dagger a_2^\dagger |0\rangle$$

Remember $|0\rangle = |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle \dots$

$$\hat{H} a_{n_1}^\dagger a_{n_2}^\dagger \dots a_{n_N}^\dagger |0\rangle = (e_{n_1} + e_{n_2} + \dots + e_{n_N}) a_{n_1}^\dagger a_{n_2}^\dagger \dots a_{n_N}^\dagger |0\rangle$$

Relations which can help -

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [\hat{H}, a_n^\dagger] = e_n a_n^\dagger \\ [\hat{H}, a_n] = -e_n a_n \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{Similar to SHO}$$

Next, we consider a bosonic system.

$$a_{n_1}^\dagger a_{n_2}^\dagger a_{n_3}^\dagger \dots a_{n_N}^\dagger |0\rangle \leftrightarrow u_{\{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N\}}(\vec{n}_1, \vec{n}_2, \dots, \vec{n}_N)$$

$$h(N) = \sum_{i=1}^N h(\vec{n}_i, \vec{p}_i)$$

$$h(N) u = (e_{n_1} + e_{n_2} + \dots + e_{n_N}) u$$

$$\langle m_1, m_2, \dots | m_1, m_2, \dots \rangle = \prod_i (m_i)!$$

(For multiparticle states)

$$\langle 0 | (a_1)^{m_1} (a_2)^{m_2} \dots (a_1^\dagger)^{m_1} (a_2^\dagger)^{m_2} \dots | 0 \rangle$$

What is $a_1 (a_1^\dagger)^{m_1}$?

$$a_1 a_1^\dagger = 1 + a_1^\dagger a_1 \Rightarrow m_1 (a_1^\dagger)^{m_1 - 1}$$

So, this normalization is also $(\prod m_i!)$.

(*) Why not fermions? (Symmetries, restrictions on m_i 's)

$$\hat{N} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i^\dagger a_i \quad (\text{number operator})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H} &= \sum e_n a_n^\dagger a_n \\ &= \int d^3r \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}, t) \hat{h} \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}, t) \end{aligned}$$

First quantized operator :- $\checkmark$

Second " " " " :- $\wedge$

$$\check{h} = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\vec{r}) \right) \quad \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_n \hat{a}_n(t) u_n(\vec{r})$$

$$\hat{N} = \int d^3r \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}, t) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}, t)$$

Suppose, we have N-particle Q. Mech. & $\hat{O}_{(N)}$ is some operator in this QM.

Question :- what is the operator $\hat{O}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle 0 | a_{n_1} \dots a_{n_N} \hat{O}_{(N)} a_{n'_1}^\dagger a_{n'_2}^\dagger \dots a_{n'_N}^\dagger | 0 \rangle \\ &= \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \dots d^3r_N u_{\{n_1, \dots, n_N\}}^*(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N) \\ &\quad \hat{O}_{(N)} u_{\{n'_1, \dots, n'_N\}}(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N) ? \end{aligned}$$

Only those operators are allowed which are symmetric under the exchange of two particles $(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i) \leftrightarrow (\vec{r}_j, \vec{p}_j)$

1-body operator

$$\check{b}_{(N)} = \sum_{i=1}^N \check{b}(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i)$$

$$\hat{B} = \sum_{m, n} \langle n | \check{b} | m \rangle a_n^\dagger a_m$$

$$= \int d^3 r \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}, t) \hat{b} \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$\sum_n \hat{a}_n^\dagger u_n^*(\vec{r}) = \sum_m \hat{a}_m u_m(\vec{r})$$

Claim:- $\langle 0 | a_{n_1} \dots a_{n_N} \hat{B} a_{n_1'}^\dagger \dots a_{n_N'}^\dagger | 0 \rangle$

$$= \int d^3 r_1 \dots d^3 r_N u_{\{n_1, \dots, n_N\}}^*(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N)$$

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^N \hat{b}(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i) \right) u_{\{n_1, \dots, n_N\}}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N)$$

Prove !

Power of second quantized formalism $\rightarrow$ no N dependence of second quantized operators (!)

The 1-body operator commutes with $\hat{N}$ (number operator)
One can also design non-(number conserving) operators.

2-body operators

$$\sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^N \hat{v}(\vec{r}_i, \vec{r}_j, \vec{p}_i, \vec{p}_j) \cdot \left[\text{Find the corresponding second-quantized operator } \hat{V} \right]$$

$$\int d^3 r_1 d^3 r_2 \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}_1) \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}_2) \hat{v}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_1) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_2)$$

$$= \sum_{m, n, p, q} v_{mnpq} a_m^\dagger a_n^\dagger a_p a_q$$

$$v_{mnpq} = \int \frac{d^3 r_1 d^3 r_2}{d^3 r_1 d^3 r_2} u_m^*(\vec{r}_1) u_n^*(\vec{r}_2) \hat{v}^*(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2) u_p(\vec{r}_1) u_q(\vec{r}_2)$$

$\rightarrow$ Show the equality of matrix elements. (!)

Suppose $\hat{b}_{(N)} = \sum_i \hat{b}(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i)$

$$\hat{B} = \sum_{m, n} b_{mn} a_m^\dagger a_n, \quad b_{mn} = \int u_m^*(\vec{r}) \hat{b} u_n(\vec{r})$$

(Try for $N=1$).

First quantized description: $\int d^3r u_{n_1}^*(\vec{r}_1) \hat{b}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{p}_1) u_{n_1'}(\vec{r}_1)$

Second quantized description: $\langle 0 | a_{n_1} \hat{B} a_{n_1'}^\dagger | 0 \rangle$
 $= \langle 0 | a_{n_1} \sum_{m,n} b_{mn} a_m^\dagger a_n a_{n_1'}^\dagger | 0 \rangle$
 $\quad \quad \quad \delta_{n_1 m} \quad \quad \quad \delta_{nn_1'}$

(The two matrix elements agree) $= b_{n_1 n_1'} \langle 0 | 0 \rangle = b_{n_1 n_1'} \checkmark$

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N non-interacting identical bosons
 with Hamiltonian

$$\hat{h}_{(N)} = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{h}_i$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\hat{h}(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i)$$

2nd quantized theory

$$\Leftrightarrow \hat{H} = \int d^3x \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}) \hat{h} \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r})$$

$$= \sum_n e_n \hat{a}_n^\dagger a_n$$

$$\hat{h} u_n = e_n u_n(\vec{r})$$

$$\hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}) = \sum_n \hat{a}_n u_n(\vec{r})$$

Commutation relations :-

$$[a_m, a_n] = 0 = [a_m^\dagger, a_n^\dagger] \quad ; \quad [a_m, a_n^\dagger] = \delta_{mn}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [\Psi(\vec{r}), \Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}')] = \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$$

$$[\Psi(\vec{r}), \Psi(\vec{r}')] = 0 = [\Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}), \Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}')]$$

$$\hat{N} \text{ (number operator)} = \sum_n a_n^\dagger a_n$$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}) = \sum_n \hat{a}_n u_n(\vec{r}) = \int d^3x \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}) \Psi(\vec{r})$$

Hilbert space of the second quantized theory :-

Define $|0\rangle$ such that

$$a_n |0\rangle = 0 \quad \forall n \quad (0 \text{ particle state})$$

$a_m^\dagger |0\rangle \leftrightarrow 1 \text{ particle state with wavefunction } u_m(\vec{r}_1)$
 $a_{m_1}^\dagger a_{m_2}^\dagger |0\rangle \rightarrow 2 \text{ particle state}$

$$u_{\{m_1, m_2\}}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(u_{m_1}(\vec{r}_1) u_{m_2}(\vec{r}_2) + u_{m_1}(\vec{r}_2) u_{m_2}(\vec{r}_1) \right)$$

A state of the form $a_{m_1}^\dagger a_{m_2}^\dagger \dots a_{m_N}^\dagger |0\rangle$

$\Rightarrow N$ -particle state

(Check: Bosons)

$$u_{\{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_N\}}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N)$$

Mapping of operators:-

$$b_{(N)} = \sum_{i=1}^N \tilde{b}_i \Rightarrow \tilde{b}(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i)$$

$$\hat{B} = \int d^3r \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}) \tilde{b} \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{m,n} b_{mn} a_m^\dagger a_n$$

(We work in Schrödinger picture)

$$\Leftrightarrow \int d^3r u_m^*(\vec{r}) \tilde{b} u_n(\vec{r})$$

2-body operators

$$\tilde{v}_{(N)} = \sum_{\substack{i,j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^N \tilde{v}_{ij} \Rightarrow \tilde{v}(\vec{r}_i, \vec{p}_i, \vec{r}_j, \vec{p}_j)$$

$$\hat{V} = \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}_1) \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}_2) \tilde{v} \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_1) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_2)$$

We may rewrite as - $\hat{V} = \sum_{m,n,p,q} v_{mnpq} a_m^\dagger a_n^\dagger a_p a_q$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 u_m^*(\vec{r}_1) u_n^*(\vec{r}_2) \tilde{v}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{p}_1, \vec{r}_2, \vec{p}_2) u_p(\vec{r}_1) u_q(\vec{r}_2)$$

Interacting system

$$\hat{h}_{(N)} = \sum_{i=1}^N \tilde{h}_i + \sum_{i,j=1}^N \tilde{v}_{ij}$$

$$H = \int d^3r \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}) \tilde{h} \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}) + \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}_1) \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}_2) \tilde{v}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{p}_1, \vec{r}_2, \vec{p}_2) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_1) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}_2)$$

$$= \sum_n \epsilon_n a_n^\dagger a_n + \sum_{m,n,p,q} v_{mnpq} a_m^\dagger a_n^\dagger a_p a_q$$

Add to $\hat{H} \sum_{m,n,p} \left(C_{mnp} a_m^\dagger a_n^\dagger a_p + h.c. \right)$

[doesn't conserve particle number]

$$a_k^\dagger |0\rangle$$

(Single-particle)

$$|m\rangle \Rightarrow |m\rangle + \lambda \sum_n C_{mn} |n\rangle + \dots$$

$$\tilde{h} \Rightarrow \tilde{h} + \lambda \tilde{h}_1$$

$$C_{mn} \propto \langle m | \tilde{h}_1 | n \rangle$$

$$\langle 0 | a_m a_n \hat{H}_1 a_p^\dagger | 0 \rangle \neq 0$$

$$\propto C_{mnp}$$

Fermions

- There's no classical theory, whose quantization gives a theory for N fermions.
- There exists an ad-hoc principle.

$$\tilde{h}_{(N)} = \sum_{i=1}^N \tilde{h}_i$$

$$\hat{H} = \int d^3x \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}) \tilde{h} \Psi(\vec{r}) = \sum_n \epsilon_n a_n^\dagger a_n$$

(bosons)

$$\{a_m, a_n\} = \{a_m^\dagger, a_n^\dagger\} = 0$$

Use same thing for bosons & fermions.

$$\{A, B\} = AB + BA$$

$$\{a_m, a_n^\dagger\} = \delta_{mn}$$

$$\{\Psi(\vec{r}), \Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}')\} = \delta^{(3)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$$

$$\{\Psi(\vec{r}), \Psi(\vec{r}')\} = \{\Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}), \Psi^\dagger(\vec{r}')\} = 0.$$

$\rightarrow$ [NO CLASSICAL LIMIT]

Hilbert space

$$a_n |0\rangle = |0\rangle \quad \forall n$$

$|0\rangle \rightarrow$ 0-particle state

$$a_n^\dagger |0\rangle \rightarrow 1\text{-particle state}$$

$$u_n(\vec{r})$$

→ One can't construct a 'coherent state' with fermions (!)

$$a_{n_1}^\dagger a_{n_2}^\dagger |0\rangle \rightarrow 2 \text{ particle state}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (u_{n_1}(\vec{r}_1) u_{n_2}(\vec{r}_2) - u_{n_1}(\vec{r}_2) u_{n_2}(\vec{r}_1))$$

(Consistent)

Maps of 1, 2, 3, ... body operators are identical to that for bosons. (Proof is not the same!)

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Relativistic Quantum Mechanics :-

Free particle SE : $i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \hat{H} \Psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \Psi$.

Soln :- $\Psi = \Psi_0 e^{-i(Et - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x})/\hbar}$ ↙ hamiltonian

↗
constant

We get $E \Psi = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} \Psi$

Non-relativistic relation
between E & $\vec{p}$

← $E = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m}$

- We want to modify SE in such a way as to give $E = \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4}$ by imposing Ψ_{free} as the solution.

$$\hat{H} = \sqrt{-c^2 \hbar^2 \nabla^2 + m^2 c^4} \quad (?)$$

$$\rightarrow mc^2 \left(1 - \frac{\hbar^2}{m^2 c^2} \nabla^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= mc^2 \left(1 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m^2 c^2} \nabla^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2mc^2} \right)^2 (\nabla^2)^2 + \dots \right)$$

One way of defining

$$\begin{cases} f(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^3} \int e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} \tilde{f}(\vec{k}) d^3 k \\ \tilde{f}(\vec{k}) = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^3} \int e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} f(\vec{x}) d^3 x \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{H} f(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3k e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} \tilde{f}(k) \times \sqrt{c^2 \hbar^2 k^2 + m^2 c^4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int d^3k \sqrt{c^2 \hbar^2 k^2 + m^2 c^4} e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}}$$

(we get back earlier _{result}) expand this $\int d^3y e^{+i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{y}} f(y)$

⊙ Non-local operator. (you need to infinite number derivatives of f at a point) Problems with causality

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \sqrt{-c^2 \hbar^2 \nabla^2 + m^2 c^4} \Psi(x)$$

$$\left(i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} \right) \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} \right) = (-c^2 \hbar^2 \nabla^2 + m^2 c^4) \Psi$$

$$\Rightarrow \hbar^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \nabla^2 \right) \Psi + m^2 c^4 \Psi = 0.$$

Klein-Gordon Equation.

(Relativistically invariant)

$$\underline{c = 1 \text{ unit}} \rightarrow \hbar^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2 \right) \Psi + m^2 \Psi = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hbar^2 \left(-\eta^{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x)}{\partial x^\mu \partial x^\nu} \right) + m^2 \Psi(x) = 0$$

→ LOCAL EQUATION

$$\eta^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Lorentz transformations:-

$$x \rightarrow \Lambda x$$

$$\Lambda \text{ satisfies } \Lambda^T \eta \Lambda = \eta$$

(Generalization of orthogonal group)

If $\Psi(x)$ is a solution, then $\Psi(\Lambda x)$ is also a solution for any Lorentz transformation matrix Λ . (Check!)

BUT, THERE ARE PROBLEMS (!)

$$\text{Plane wave} \rightarrow \Psi = e^{-i(Et - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x})/\hbar}$$

$$(-E^2 + \vec{p}^2)\Psi + m^2\Psi = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow E^2 = \vec{p}^2 + m^2$$

$$\Rightarrow E = \pm \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + m^2} \quad (\text{Unbounded -ve energies!})$$

If we introduce V (pot.), +ve energy states start to mix with -ve energy states.

Conserved positive probability :-

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \hat{H} \Psi \quad (\text{Non-relativistic})$$

It follows that

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int \Psi^* \Psi d^3x = 0$$

$\sqrt{\quad}$ operator $\rightarrow$ conserves probability

But for KG equation, probability is not conserved

Ex. If we take $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int d^3x \left(\Psi^* \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \Psi^*}{\partial t} \Psi \right) = 0$

But positivity (?) $\nearrow$ 0-component of prob. current

$\leadsto$ THIS PATH IS DANGEROUS!

We wanted $i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \sqrt{-\hbar^2 c^2 \nabla^2 + m^2 c^4}$

We make Ψ multi-component. (!) Then choose

$\hat{H}$ such that $\hat{H}^2 = -\hbar^2 c^2 \nabla^2 + m^2 c^4$.

Remove non-locality

Take Ψ to be n -dimensional column vector.

Try $\hat{H} = -i\hbar \tilde{\alpha}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \tilde{\beta}$

$\tilde{\alpha}_i, \tilde{\beta}$ are $n \times n$ matrices.

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{H}^2 &= -\hbar^2 \tilde{\alpha}_i \tilde{\alpha}_j + \tilde{\alpha}_j \tilde{\alpha}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} - i\hbar (\tilde{\alpha}_i \beta + \beta \tilde{\alpha}_i) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \{ \tilde{\alpha}_i, \tilde{\alpha}_j \} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} + \tilde{\beta}^2 - i\hbar \{ \tilde{\alpha}_i, \beta \} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + \tilde{\beta}^2\end{aligned}$$

We want this to be

$$\begin{aligned}& (-\hbar^2 c^2 \nabla^2 + m^2 c^4) \mathbb{1}_{n \times n} \\ \rightarrow & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{ \tilde{\alpha}_i, \tilde{\alpha}_j \} = 2c^2 \delta_{ij} \\ \{ \tilde{\alpha}_i, \beta \} = 0 \\ \tilde{\beta}^2 = m^2 c^4 \mathbb{1} \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} \text{Write} \\ \tilde{\alpha}_i = c \alpha_i \\ \tilde{\beta} = c \beta \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

no 1 component wave f. $\frac{n}{\dots}$

$$H = -i\hbar c \alpha_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + mc^2 \beta$$

$$\text{Then } \{ \alpha_i, \alpha_j \} = 2 \delta_{ij}$$

$$\{ \alpha_i, \beta \} = 0$$

$$\text{and } \beta^2 = \mathbb{1}$$

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$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -i\hbar \tilde{\alpha}_i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^i} + \tilde{\beta} \Psi = \hat{H} \Psi$$

n-dim. column vector

n x n matrices

If we look for a solution of the form

$$\Psi = \Psi_0 e^{i(Et - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x})/\hbar}$$

$$\Rightarrow E \Psi = (\tilde{\alpha}_i p_i + \tilde{\beta}) \Psi$$

$$\Rightarrow E^2 \Psi = (\tilde{\alpha}_i p_i + \tilde{\beta})(\tilde{\alpha}_j p_j + \tilde{\beta}) \Psi$$

$$\Rightarrow (p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4) \mathbb{1}_{n \times n} \Psi$$

We get constraints for $\tilde{\alpha}$, $\tilde{\beta}$.

$$3 \tilde{\alpha}_i)^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \tilde{\alpha}_i &= c \alpha_i \\ \tilde{\beta} &= mc^2 \beta \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} \{\alpha_i, \alpha_j\} &= 2\delta_{ij} \\ \{\alpha_i, \beta\} &= 0, \beta^2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Rescaling

$\beta^2 = 1$ implies that the eigenvalues of β are ± 1 .

$\alpha_i^2 = 1 \Rightarrow$ eigenvalues of each α_i are ± 1 .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(\alpha_i) &= \text{Tr}(\alpha_i \beta^2) \\ &= \text{Tr}(\beta \alpha_i \beta) \\ &= -\text{Tr}(\alpha_i \beta \beta) = -\text{Tr}(\alpha_i) \end{aligned}$$

So, $\text{Tr}(\alpha_i) = 0$. ($\because \beta^2 = 1$)

Similarly, $\text{Tr}(\beta) = 0$.

$\rightarrow$ even dimensional matrices.

2d $\rightarrow$ not possible (Pauli matrices)

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \tilde{\alpha}_i &= c \alpha_i \\ \tilde{\beta} &= mc^2 \beta \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} &\text{If } m=0, \beta \text{ is not needed.} \\ &\leadsto \text{Weyl Fermions (e.g. neutrinos)} \end{aligned}$$

4-dimensional matrices

$$\alpha_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ \sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{I}_{2 \times 2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbb{I}_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{Ex.} \rightarrow \text{Check that}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{\alpha_i, \alpha_j\} &= 2\delta_{ij} \\ \beta^2 &= 1 \text{ and } \{\beta, \alpha_i\} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha_i \alpha_j + \alpha_j \alpha_i$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ \sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_j \\ \sigma_j & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_j \\ \sigma_j & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ \sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_i \sigma_j & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_i \sigma_j \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_j \sigma_i & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_j \sigma_i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{pmatrix} \delta_{ij} I_{2 \times 2} & 0 \\ 0 & \delta_{ij} I_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix} = 2 \delta_{ij} I_{4 \times 4}$$

Unitary $\rightarrow$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{preserve} \\ \text{hermiticity} \end{array} \right\}$

$\alpha_i \rightarrow U \alpha_i U^{-1}$
 $\beta \rightarrow U \beta U^{-1}$ } Further choices

U : 4×4 unitary matrices

$\psi \rightarrow U \psi$ (new solution!)

(Spinor representation)

Conservation of probability :-

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = -i\hbar \underbrace{\tilde{\alpha}_i}_{\substack{\parallel \\ c \alpha_i}} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x^i} + \underbrace{\tilde{\beta}}_{\substack{\parallel \\ mc^2}} \psi$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = -\tilde{\alpha}_i \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x^i} + \frac{\tilde{\beta}}{i\hbar} \psi$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi^\dagger = -\frac{\partial \psi^\dagger}{\partial x^i} \tilde{\alpha}_i - \frac{1}{i\hbar} \psi^\dagger \tilde{\beta} \rightarrow \text{(row vector)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\psi^\dagger \psi) &= \frac{\partial \psi^\dagger}{\partial t} \psi + \psi^\dagger \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \\ &= \left(-\frac{\partial \psi^\dagger}{\partial x^i} \tilde{\alpha}_i \psi - \frac{1}{i\hbar} \psi^\dagger \tilde{\beta} \psi \right) - \left(\tilde{\alpha}_i \psi^\dagger \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x^i} + \frac{1}{i\hbar} \psi^\dagger \tilde{\beta} \psi \right) \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} (\psi^\dagger \tilde{\alpha}_i \psi) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int d^3x \psi^\dagger \psi &= - \int d^3x \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} (\psi^\dagger \tilde{\alpha}_i \psi) \\ &= 0 \quad \left(\text{As long as } \psi^\dagger \text{ and } \psi \text{ go off sufficiently fast at } \infty \right) \end{aligned}$$

Set $c=1$.
$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -i\hbar \alpha_i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^i} + m\beta \Psi$$

$$i\hbar \beta \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -i\hbar \beta \alpha_i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^i} + m\Psi \quad (\beta^2 = 1)$$

Define $\gamma^0 = i\beta$, $\gamma^i = i\beta \alpha_i$

$$\Rightarrow \hbar \gamma^0 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^0} = -\hbar \gamma^i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^i} + m\Psi$$

$x^0 = ct = t$ $\Rightarrow \hbar \gamma^\mu \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^\mu} - m\Psi = 0.$

$$(\gamma^0)^2 = (i\beta)^2 = -1$$

exercise $\rightarrow$ Show that

$$\{\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu\} = 2\eta^{\mu\nu} \quad (!)$$

$$\eta = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Suppose, Λ is a Lorentz transformation matrix.

$$\Lambda^T \eta \Lambda = \eta$$

Statement of Lorentz symmetry:

Naive $\rightarrow$ If $\Psi(x)$ is a solution, then $\Psi(\Lambda x)$ is also a solution. (X)

L.H.S.

$$\hbar \gamma^\mu \frac{\partial \Psi(\Lambda x)}{\partial x^\mu} - m\Psi(\Lambda x) \quad \left(\text{Think of KG case } -(\square^2 - m^2)\Psi = 0 \right)$$

$$y = \Lambda x$$

$$y^\mu = \Lambda^\mu_\nu x^\nu$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} = \frac{\partial y^\rho}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\rho} = \Lambda^\rho_\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\rho}.$$

??

$$\text{LHS} \rightarrow \hbar \gamma^\mu \left(\Lambda^\rho_\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\rho} \right) \Psi(y) - m \Psi(y)$$

But Ψ satisfies $\hbar \gamma^\mu \frac{\partial \Psi(y)}{\partial y^\mu} - m \Psi(y) = 0$.

Doesn't work

$$\Psi(x) \rightarrow \Psi(\Lambda x) \Rightarrow \text{scalar}$$

(ansatz)

Recall $\rightarrow$ Lorentz transformation of vector fields

$$A_\mu(x) \Rightarrow \Lambda^\rho_\mu A_\rho(\Lambda x)$$

vector index

Look for Lorentz symmetry transformations of the form

$$\Psi(x) \rightarrow S \Psi(\Lambda x) \quad (\text{understand!})$$

(n x n) matrix fⁿ of Λ

$$\stackrel{\text{LHS}}{=} \hbar \gamma^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} S \Psi(\Lambda x) - m S \Psi(\Lambda x)$$

Introduce $y = \Lambda x$

$$y^\rho = \Lambda^\rho_\mu x^\mu$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} = \Lambda^\rho_\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\rho}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\therefore \hbar \gamma^\mu \Lambda^\rho_\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\rho} S \Psi(y) - m S \Psi(y) \\ &= S \left[\hbar \underbrace{S^{-1} \gamma^\mu S}_{\text{matrix product}} \Lambda^\rho_\mu \frac{\partial \Psi(y)}{\partial y^\rho} - m \Psi(y) \right] \end{aligned}$$

matrix product

We want LHS to vanish if Ψ satisfies the Dirac equation.

We need $S^{-1} \gamma^\mu S \Lambda^\rho_\mu = \gamma^\rho$.

(construct S) $\rightarrow$?

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$$\hbar \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \Psi - m \Psi = 0.$$

$\partial/\partial x^\mu$

If $\Psi(x)$ is a solution, then $S\Psi(\Lambda x)$ is also a solution for any Lorentz Transformation Matrix Λ .

Q: $\rightarrow$ Can we find an S so that this is true?

$$\Psi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \\ f_3(x) \\ f_4(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

We need

$$S^{-1} \gamma^\mu S \Lambda^\nu_\mu = \gamma^\nu$$

16 equations

Strategy

First solve the problem for infinitesimal Lorentz transformations

$$\Lambda^\nu_\mu = \delta^\nu_\mu + \epsilon \omega^\nu_\mu$$

$\uparrow$
small number

$$\Lambda^T \eta \Lambda = \eta$$

$$\Rightarrow \Lambda^\nu_\mu \eta_{\nu\sigma} \Lambda^\sigma_\rho = \eta_{\mu\rho}$$

(component form)

$$\text{So, } (\delta^\nu_\mu + \epsilon \omega^\nu_\mu) \eta_{\nu\sigma} (\delta^\sigma_\rho + \epsilon \omega^\sigma_\rho) = \eta_{\mu\rho}$$

$$\cancel{\eta_{\mu\rho}} + \epsilon \omega^\nu_\mu \eta_{\nu\rho} + \epsilon \eta_{\mu\sigma} \omega^\sigma_\rho + O(\epsilon^2) = \cancel{\eta_{\mu\rho}}$$

must cancel

lowering

$$\therefore \omega^\nu_\mu \eta_{\nu\rho} + \eta_{\mu\sigma} \omega^\sigma_\rho = 0$$

$$\stackrel{\text{def.}}{\omega_{\rho\mu}} + \stackrel{\text{def.}}{\omega_{\mu\rho}} = 0.$$

$\omega_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow \{\text{antisymmetric}\}$

$$\omega^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\rho} \eta^{\nu\sigma} \omega_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$\omega^{\mu\nu} = -\omega^{\nu\mu} \quad (\text{too!})$$

6 independent components

$\rightarrow$ 3 rotations

$\rightarrow$ 3 boosts

Now, we want S to be infinitesimal if $L.T.$ is infinitesimal

$$S = 1 + \epsilon M \hookrightarrow (4 \times 4)$$

$$(1 - \epsilon M) \gamma^\mu (1 + \epsilon M) (\delta^\nu_\mu + \epsilon \omega^\nu_\mu) = \gamma^\nu$$

$$\gamma^\nu + \epsilon \left\{ \underbrace{-M \gamma^\nu + \gamma^\nu M + \gamma^\mu \omega^\nu_\mu}_{\text{vanishes}} \right\} + O(\epsilon^2) = \gamma^\nu$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{M \gamma^\nu - \gamma^\nu M = \gamma^\mu \omega^\nu_\mu} \rightarrow [M, \gamma^\nu] = \gamma^\mu \omega^\nu_\mu$$

Solution

$$M = \frac{i}{4} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \omega_{\mu\nu} \quad ; \quad \sigma^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} [\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu]$$

Let's try to prove this (!)

Proof :- $[M, \gamma^\nu] = -\frac{1}{8} \omega_{\mu\nu} [[\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu], \gamma^\nu]$

$$M = \omega_{\mu\nu} \Sigma^{\mu\nu}$$

Use the identity

exercise $[AB, C] = A\{B, C\} - \{A, C\}B$

$$= -\frac{1}{8} \omega_{\mu\nu} \cdot 2 [\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu, \gamma^\nu] \quad (\text{Understand!})$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} \omega_{\mu\nu} (\gamma^\mu \{\gamma^\nu, \gamma^\nu\} - \{\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu\} \gamma^\nu)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} \omega_{\mu\nu} (\gamma^\mu \cdot 2\eta^{\nu\nu} - \gamma^\nu \cdot 2\eta^{\mu\nu})$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \gamma^\mu (-\omega_{\nu\mu}) \eta^{\nu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} \gamma^{\nu\nu} \omega_{\mu\nu} \eta^{\mu\mu}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \gamma^\mu \omega^\nu_\mu + \frac{1}{2} \gamma^\nu \omega^\mu_\nu = \gamma^\mu \omega^\nu_\mu$$

Conclusion $\rightarrow$ If $\Lambda^\nu_\mu = \delta^\nu_\mu + \epsilon \omega^\nu_\mu$ then

infinitesimal

$$S = 1 + \epsilon \frac{i}{4} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \omega_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{N} \right)^N = e^x$$

We replace x by a matrix. (In this case)

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{N} \omega \right)^N = e^\omega \quad (\checkmark)$$

Corresponding $S = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{N} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \omega_{\mu\nu} \right)^N$
 $= \exp \left(\frac{i}{4} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \omega_{\mu\nu} \right)$

Some examples:-

1. Take $\omega_t = -\omega_{10} = -k$. $\omega_{\mu\nu} = 0$ otherwise. (Only boost)

$$\omega^0_1 = k_1 \omega^1_0 = k$$

$$\omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = k$$

$$= k \sum_n$$

$$\Sigma^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma^i \Sigma^i = 1 \text{ (for given } n)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

for all n

$$e^\omega = \exp(k \Sigma)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^n}{n!} \Sigma^n$$

$$= \sum_{n \text{ even}} \frac{1}{n!} k^n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$+ \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{1}{n!} k^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \cosh k \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \sinh k \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \cosh k \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & \\ 0 & & & \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \sinh k \times$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh k & \sinh k & 0 & 0 \\ \sinh k & \cosh k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Corresponding S

$$\exp\left(\frac{i}{4} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \omega^{\mu\nu}\right) = \exp\left(\frac{i}{4} \sigma_{01} \omega^{01} + \frac{i}{4} \sigma_{10} \omega^{10}\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(\frac{i}{4} k \sigma_{01} - \frac{i}{4} k \sigma_{10}\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(\frac{i}{2} k \sigma_{01}\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{i}{2} k \sigma^{01}\right)$$

$$\sigma^{01} = \gamma^0 \gamma^1 - \gamma^1 \gamma^0$$

$$= \frac{i}{2} (\gamma^0 \gamma^1 + \gamma^0 \gamma^1) = i \gamma^0 \gamma^1$$

$$= i(i\beta)(i\beta\alpha_1) = -i\alpha_1$$

$$\alpha_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha_1^2 = 1$$

Finally, $S = \exp\left(-\frac{i}{2} k (-i\alpha_1)\right) = e^{(-k/2 \alpha_1)}$

$$= \sum_n \frac{1}{n!} \left(-\frac{k}{2}\right)^n \alpha_1^n = \cosh\left(-\frac{k}{2}\right) \mathbb{1} + \sinh\left(-\frac{k}{2}\right) \alpha_1$$

$$= \cosh \frac{k}{2} \mathbb{1} - \sinh \frac{k}{2} \alpha_1$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \frac{k}{2} \mathbb{1}_{2 \times 2} & -\sinh \frac{k}{2} \sigma_1 \\ -\sinh \frac{k}{2} \sigma_1 & \cosh \frac{k}{2} \mathbb{1}_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix}$$

For a composition of boosts,

$$\exp(a_i \alpha_i) = \exp\left(|\vec{a}| \frac{a_i}{|\vec{a}|} \alpha_i\right)$$

$$(a_i \alpha_i)^2 = \vec{a}^2 \mathbb{1}$$

$$(a_i \alpha_i)^n = |\vec{a}|^n \mathbb{1} \quad (\text{even } n)$$

$$= |\vec{a}|^{n-1} a_i \alpha_i \quad (\text{odd } n)$$

Exercise :- Take $\omega_{12} = \theta$, $\omega_{21} = -\theta$ rest 0.

Find $\Lambda = \exp(\omega)$. Find corresponding S.

(turns out to be unitary)

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Relation to spin:-

Go back to Schrödinger equation $\rightarrow$ has rotational invariance

$$\Psi(x) \rightarrow \Psi(\Lambda x) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{rotation only}} \quad (\checkmark)$$

Consider infinitesimal Λ : $\Lambda^\mu_\nu = \delta^\mu_\nu + \epsilon \omega^\mu_\nu$

$$\omega_{12} = 1, \quad \omega_{21} = -1$$

$$\Lambda \begin{pmatrix} x^0 \\ x^1 \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x^0 \\ x^1 \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \end{pmatrix} + \epsilon \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ x^2 \\ -x^1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \Psi(\Lambda x) = \Psi(x) + \epsilon x^2 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^1} - \epsilon x^1 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x^2} + O(\epsilon^2)$$

$$L_z \Psi(x) \equiv L_3 \Psi(x) = -i\hbar \left(x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \Psi$$

$$= -i\hbar \left(x^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} - x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \right) \Psi$$

$$\Psi(\Lambda x) = \Psi(x) - \frac{i\epsilon}{\hbar} L_z \Psi \quad (\text{Angular momentum as a generator of rotation})$$

Now, we are going to generalize.

(to Dirac field)

Again, choose infinitesimal Λ .

$$\Lambda^\mu{}_\nu = \delta^\mu{}_\nu + \epsilon \omega^\mu{}_\nu \quad \omega_{12} = 1, \omega_{21} = -1.$$

Define J_z using

$$S \psi(\Lambda x) - \psi(x) = -\frac{i\epsilon}{\hbar} J_z \psi$$

Let's work out what J_z is (!)

$$S \psi(\Lambda x) = S \left(1 - \frac{i\epsilon}{\hbar} J_z \right) \psi$$

$$S = \left(1 + \frac{i}{4} \epsilon \sigma^{\mu\nu} \omega_{\mu\nu} \right)$$

$$\therefore S \psi(\Lambda x) = \left\{ 1 + \frac{i}{4} \epsilon (\sigma^{12} - \sigma^{21}) \right\} \left(1 - \frac{i\epsilon}{\hbar} L_z \right) \psi(x)$$

$$= \psi(x) + \frac{i}{4} \epsilon \times 2 \sigma^{12} \psi - \frac{i\epsilon}{\hbar} L_z \psi$$

$$= -\frac{i\epsilon}{\hbar} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \hbar \sigma^{12} + L_z \right] \psi + \psi(x)$$

$\nwarrow$
 $\swarrow$
 J_z
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{new contribution} \\ \text{to angular momentum} \end{array} \right\}$

$$\sigma^{12} = \frac{i}{2} [\gamma^1, \gamma^2] = i \gamma^1 \gamma^2$$

$$= i (i\beta\alpha_1) (i\beta\alpha_2)$$

$$= -i \beta \alpha_1 \beta \alpha_2$$

$$= i \beta^2 \alpha_1 \alpha_2$$

$$= i \alpha_1 \alpha_2$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0_{2 \times 2} & \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_1 & 0_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0_{2 \times 2} \\ \sigma_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= i \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 \sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= - \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_3 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore J_z = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_3 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_3 \end{pmatrix} + L_z$$

$$= \boxed{S_z} + L_z$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \hbar \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_3 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

(intrinsic to the particle)

2 - spin-half representations.

Exercise → Show that

$$S_x = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S_y = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S^2 = S_x^2 + S_y^2 + S_z^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \hbar^2 \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4} \hbar^2 \mathbb{1}_{2 \times 2}$$

Dirac equation: $(-\hbar \gamma^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} - m) \Psi = 0$

Goal: Look for solutions of the form

$$\Psi = \Psi_0 e^{-i/\hbar (E x^0 - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x})}$$

$$= \Psi_0 e^{i/\hbar p_\mu x^\mu}$$

$$(p_0 = E, \{p_1, p_2, p_3\} \equiv \vec{p})$$

$$(i \cancel{\hbar} \gamma^\mu p_\mu - m) \Psi_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma^\mu p_\mu \Psi_0 = -im \Psi_0$$

$$\gamma^\nu p_\nu \gamma^\mu p_\mu \Psi_0 = -im \underbrace{\gamma^\nu p_\nu \Psi_0}_{(-im \Psi_0)}$$

γ 's and p 's obviously 'commute' (!)

$$\Rightarrow \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu p_\mu p_\nu \Psi_0 = -m^2 \Psi_0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \{\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu\} p_\mu p_\nu$$

$$= \eta^{\mu\nu} p_\mu p_\nu$$

$$= -(p^0)^2 + \vec{p}^2 = -m^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (p^0)^2 = \vec{p}^2 + m^2$$

Next task:

Solve this equation

$$\vec{p} = 0$$

$$\{i\gamma^0(-E) - m\} \Psi_0 = 0$$

$$(\beta E - m) \Psi_0 = 0$$

$$\beta = \begin{pmatrix} I_2 & 0 \\ 0 & -I_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \beta E = \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 \\ 0 & -E \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} (E-m) & 0 \\ 0 & (-E-m) \end{pmatrix} \Psi_0 = 0$$

$$\Psi_0 = 0$$

$$E = m$$

two sols.

$$u_1(\vec{0}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{-i/\hbar m x^0} \quad u_2(\vec{0}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{-i/\hbar m x^0}$$

$$S_z = \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

S_z eigenstates

$$S_z = -\frac{\hbar}{2}$$

$$E = -m$$

$$u_1(\vec{0}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{+i/\hbar m x^0} \quad u_2(\vec{0}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{i/\hbar m x^0}$$

$$S_z = \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

$$S_z = -\frac{\hbar}{2}$$

Choose a Lorentz transformation matrix

$$\Lambda = e^{\omega} \quad \omega^{01} = k, \quad \omega^{10} = -k$$

$$\parallel \quad \omega^{\mu\nu} = 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cosh k & \sinh k & 0 & 0 \\ \sinh k & \cosh k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^0 \\ x^1 \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh k x^0 + \sinh k x^1 \\ \sinh k x^0 + \cosh k x^1 \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

New solutions : $S \psi(\Lambda x)$

$$u_s(\vec{0}) e^{-i/\hbar m x^0} \rightarrow S u_s(\vec{0}) e^{-i/\hbar m (\cosh k x^0 + \sinh k x^1)}$$

$$S \rightarrow \left(\cosh \frac{k}{2} \mathbb{1} - \sinh \frac{k}{2} \alpha_1 \right) \quad \downarrow$$

$$e^{-i/\hbar (E x^0 - p^1 x^1)}$$

$$\begin{cases} E = m \cosh k \\ p^1 = -m \sinh k \end{cases} \quad \text{Identification. (1)}$$

Again, $E^2 = m^2 + (p^1)^2$.

$$\Rightarrow \sinh k = -\frac{p^1}{m}$$

Consider a free particle carrying momentum $\vec{p}$ (in any direction)

$$e^{i/\hbar (Et - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x})}$$

Replace α by $\frac{\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p}}{|\vec{p}|}$

$$\sinh k = -\frac{|\vec{p}|}{m}$$

$$\cosh k = \sqrt{1 + \sinh^2 k} = \frac{\sqrt{m^2 + p^2}}{m}$$

$$= E/m$$

$$2 \sinh^2 \frac{K}{2} + 1 = 2 \cosh^2 \frac{K}{2} - 1$$

$$\cosh^2 \frac{K}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{E}{m} \right) \quad \cosh \frac{K}{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{E+m}{m}}$$

$$\sinh \frac{K}{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{E-m}{m}} \quad (\text{Check choice of sign!})$$

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \left(\cosh \frac{K}{2} \mathbb{1} - \sinh \frac{K}{2} \alpha_1 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\sqrt{\frac{E+m}{m}} \mathbb{1} + \sqrt{\frac{E-m}{m}} \alpha_1 \right) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{E+m}{2m}} \left(\mathbb{1} + \sqrt{\frac{E-m}{E+m}} \alpha_1 \right) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{E+m}{2m}} \left(\mathbb{1} + \frac{\sqrt{E^2 - m^2}}{E+m} \alpha_1 \right) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{E+m}{2m}} \left(\mathbb{1} + \frac{|\vec{p}|}{E+m} \alpha_1 \frac{\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p}}{|\vec{p}|} \right) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{E+m}{2m}} \left(\mathbb{1} + \frac{\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p}}{E+m} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Two solutions :-

$$\underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{E+m}{2m}} \left(\mathbb{1} + \frac{1}{E+m} \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p} \right) u_s(0)}_{u_s(\vec{p})} e^{-i/\hbar (E x^0 - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x})}$$

Two new sets :-

$$u_s(\vec{p}) v_s(0) e^{-i/\hbar (E x^0 - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x})} \quad (\text{Understand!})$$

This describes solutions with energy $-E$ and momentum $-\vec{p}$.

(I use the same boost parameter)

$$E = -m \Rightarrow E = -\sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + m^2}$$