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CONSTRAINTS & SUPERSPIN  
FOR SUPERPOINCARÉ ALGEBRAS  
IN DIVERSE DIMENSIONS

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# POINCARÉ LIE ALGEBRA (PSEUDO-EUCLIDEAN IN D-DIMENS.)

$$\eta_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(-1, 1, \dots, 1) \quad SO(1, D-1)$$

$$[i J_{\mu\nu}, P_\rho] = \eta_{\rho\nu} P_\mu - (\mu, \nu)$$

$$[i J_{\mu\nu}, J_{\rho\sigma}] = (\eta_{\rho\nu} J_{\mu\sigma} - (\mu, \nu)) - (\rho, \sigma)$$

$$[P_\mu, P_\nu] = 0$$

## REPRESENTATIONS

MASSIVE CASE  $P_\mu P^\mu \neq 0$

REST FRAME  $P^\mu = m, 0, 0, \dots, 0$

LITTLE GROUP  $SO(D-1)$

$$J_{ij} = -J_{ji} \quad i, j = 1, \dots, D-1$$

$$\mu, \nu = 0, 1, \dots, D-1$$

MASSLESS CASE  $P_\mu P^\mu = 0$

LIGHT-CONE FRAME

$$P^\mu = E, E, 0, \dots, 0$$

$$\mu = 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad \dots \quad D-1$$

LITTLE GROUP  $ISO(D-2)$

GENERATORS  $J_{ij} = -J_{ji}$

$$i, j = 2, \dots, D-1$$

(ROTATIONS)

$$A_i = J_{i0} - J_{i1}$$

(TRANSLATION)

EUCLIDEAN ALGEBRA (NONCOMPACT)

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENT!

$$A_i = 0$$

(SUSY)

# SUPERPOINCARÉ ALGEBRA

$$\{\Gamma_\mu, \Gamma_\nu\} = 2\eta_{\mu\nu} \quad (\text{DIRAC})$$

$Q_\alpha$  SPINOR FERMIONIC GENERATORS

$$[iJ_{\mu\nu}, Q] = -\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{\mu\nu}Q$$

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}[\Gamma_\mu, \Gamma_\nu]$$

$$[P_\mu, Q] = 0$$

$$\{Q, \bar{Q}\} = -i\not{P}$$

$$\bar{Q} = iQ^\dagger \Gamma^0 \quad \bar{Q} = Q^* \tau$$

$$\not{P} = \Gamma_\mu P^\mu$$

$$\delta \mathcal{O} = \begin{cases} \{Q, \mathcal{O}\} \quad \mathcal{O} \text{ fermionic} \\ [Q, \mathcal{O}] \quad \mathcal{O} \text{ bosonic} \end{cases}$$

# PAULI-LUBAŃSKI TENSOR

$$W_{\lambda\mu\nu} = P_{\langle\lambda} J_{\mu\nu\rangle} = \frac{1}{3!} \sum_{\text{Perm.}} \pm P_{\lambda} J_{\mu\nu}$$

RELATIVISTIC FORMULATION  
OF SPIN AND HELICITY

CAN BE GENERALIZED TO A  
SUPERSYMMETRIC OBJECT.

FOR THE MASSLESS CASE:

$$\Delta_{\lambda\mu\nu} = W_{\lambda\mu\nu} - \kappa S_{\lambda\mu\nu}$$

FOR THE MASSIVE CASE:

$$C_{\lambda\mu\nu} = W_{\lambda\mu\nu} - \rho S_{\lambda\mu\nu} \quad \rho = 2\kappa$$

$$S_{\lambda\mu\nu} = \bar{Q} \Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu} Q$$

$$\Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu} = \Gamma_{\langle\lambda} \Gamma_{\mu} \Gamma_{\nu\rangle}$$

$$\delta W_{\lambda\mu\nu} = -\frac{i}{2} P_{\lambda} \Gamma_{\mu\nu} Q$$

$$\delta S_{\lambda\mu\nu} = \delta \bar{Q} \Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu} Q - \bar{Q} \Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu} \delta Q$$

$$= \begin{cases} -2i \not{P} \Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu} Q & Q \text{ not Majorana} \\ -4i \not{P} \Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu} Q & Q \text{ Majorana} \end{cases}$$

MASSLESS CASE:

$$\kappa = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{24} & Q \text{ not Majorana} \\ \frac{1}{48} & Q \text{ Majorana} \end{cases}$$

$$\delta \Delta_{\lambda\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{12} \Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu} \not{P} Q$$

$$\delta \not{P} Q \propto P_{\mu} P^{\mu}$$

$$\delta P_{\mu} P^{\mu} = 0$$

CONSISTENT  
CONSTRAINTS

$$\Delta_{\lambda\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \not{P} Q = 0 \quad P_{\mu} P^{\mu} = 0$$

WHICH FORM A SUPERALGEBRA

# COUNTING THE CONSTRAINTS

$$\Delta^{\lambda\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \binom{D}{3} ?$$

$$\Delta^{\rho\lambda\mu\nu} \equiv P^{\langle\rho} \Delta^{\lambda\mu\nu\rangle} = 0 \quad \text{without using}$$

$$\Delta^{\sigma\rho\lambda\mu\nu} \equiv P^{\langle\sigma} \Delta^{\rho\lambda\mu\nu\rangle} = 0 \quad \text{without using}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\Delta^{\tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_D} = 0$$

by antisymmetry

e.g. for  $D=11$

$$\binom{11}{3} - \binom{11}{4} + \binom{11}{5} - \dots + \binom{11}{11} = \binom{10}{2}$$

MASSIVE CASE  $P_\mu P^\mu \neq 0$

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$$\rho = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{12} & Q \text{ not Majorana} \\ \frac{1}{24} & Q \text{ Majorana} \end{cases}$$

$$\delta C_{\lambda\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{12} [\Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu}, \not{P}] Q$$

$$[P^\lambda \Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu}, \not{P}] = 0$$

$$C_{\mu\nu} = P^\lambda C_{\lambda\mu\nu} \quad \delta C_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

$C = C_{\mu\nu} C^{\mu\nu}$  IS A CASIMIR

(FOR THE MASSLESS CASE  $C=0$ )

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Majorana can be imposed in

$$D = 2, 3, 4, 8, 9 \pmod{8};$$

in  $D = 2 \pmod{8}$  it can be imposed on a chiral spinor.

A Dirac spinor has  $2^n$  components in  $D = 2n$  or  $2n+1$  dims.

$$\Delta_{\lambda\mu\nu} \equiv W_{\lambda\mu\nu} - \kappa S_{\lambda\mu\nu}$$

## MEANING OF THE CONSTRAINT

$$\Delta_{\lambda\mu\nu} = 0$$

LIGHT-CONE FRAME  $P^\mu = (E, E, 0, \dots, 0)$

$$SO(1, D-1) \supset ISO(D-2)$$

$$a, b, c = 0, 1 \quad i, j, k = 2, \dots, D-1$$

$$P^a = E \quad P^i = 0$$

$$W_{abc} = W_{ijk} = 0$$

$$\varepsilon_{ab} = -\varepsilon_{ba} \quad \varepsilon_{01} = +1$$

$$W_{abi} = \varepsilon_{ab} \frac{E}{3} (J_{i0} - J_{i1}) = \varepsilon_{ab} \frac{E}{3} A_i$$

$$W_{aij} = \pm \frac{E}{3} J_{ij} \quad + \text{for } a=1, - \text{for } a=0$$

$$S_{abc} = S_{ijk} = 0$$

$$S_{abi} = 0$$

$$S_{aij} = \mp i Q^\dagger \Gamma_{ij} Q$$

$$\Delta_{abc} = \Delta_{ijk} = 0$$

$$\Delta_{abi} = \epsilon_{ab} \frac{E}{3} A_i$$

$$\Delta_{aij} = \pm \frac{E}{3} \left( J_{ij} + 3i\kappa \frac{Q^\dagger \Gamma_{ij} Q}{E} \right)$$

$$\Delta = 0 \rightarrow A_i = 0$$

$$J_{ij} = -3i\kappa \frac{Q^\dagger \Gamma_{ij} Q}{E}$$

$$\{Q, Q^\dagger\} = 4E \pi_\pm$$

$$\not{P}Q = 0 \rightarrow \pi_+ Q = Q, \pi_- Q = 0$$

$$\pi_\pm = \frac{1 \pm \not{P} \not{P}^0}{2}$$

Rescale  $Q$  to  $a$  which will satisfy

$$\{a, a^\dagger\} = 1 \quad \left( \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0, -\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{Ex: in 5D } a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad J_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (a_1^* a_1 - a_2^* a_2)$$

# Examples:

$D=10$   $\mathcal{Q}$  Majorana-Weyl

4 independent Fermionic oscillators  
 $a_1, \dots, a_4$

$$J_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^4 a_m^* a_m - 1$$

eigenvalues for  $J_{ij}$  are  $(1, \frac{1}{2}, 0, -\frac{1}{2}, -1)$   
with multipl.  $(1, 4, 6, 4, 1)$

gauge supermultiplet



$D=11$   $\mathcal{Q}$  Majorana

$$J_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m=1}^8 a_m^* a_m - 2$$

eigenvalues are  $(\pm 2, \pm \frac{3}{2}, \pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{2}, 0)$   
with multipl.  $(1, 8, 28, 56, 70)$

128 Fermionic

128 Bosonic

eleven-dim supergravity

# MASSIVE CASE

REST FRAME  $P^\mu = (m, 0, \dots, 0)$

LITTLE GROUP  $SO(D-1)$

$$\not{D} = m \Gamma_0 \quad \{Q, Q^\dagger\} = 2m$$

$$a = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{2m}} \quad \{a, a^\dagger\} = 1$$

$$[i J_{ij}, a] = -\frac{1}{2} \Gamma_{ij} a$$

$$[i J_{ij}, a^\dagger] = \frac{1}{2} a^\dagger \Gamma_{ij}$$

$$C_{0\mu} = 0 \quad C_{ij} = -\frac{m^2}{3} [J_{ij} + 6i\beta a^\dagger \Gamma_{ij} a]$$

DEFINE  $T_{ij} = -6i\beta a^\dagger \Gamma_{ij} a$

$$Y_{ij} = -\frac{3}{m^2} C_{ij} \quad Y_{ij} = J_{ij} - T_{ij}$$

$$J_{ij} = Y_{ij} + T_{ij} \quad \underbrace{Y_{ij} \& T_{ij}}_{\text{COMMUTING}}$$

THE TOTAL  $J_{ij}$  IS THE SUM OF

SUMMARY, in  $D$  dims

WICH FORM A SUPERALGEBRA  
 MASSLESS CASE: THREE CONSTRAINTS<sup>^</sup>

$$\Delta_{\lambda\mu\nu} \equiv W_{\lambda\mu\nu} - \kappa \bar{Q} \Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu} Q = 0$$

$$\not{P}Q = 0 \quad P^2 = 0$$

$$\delta \Delta_{\lambda\mu\nu} \propto \not{P}Q \quad \delta \not{P}Q \propto P^2 \quad \delta P^2 = 0$$

MASSIVE CASE: NO CONSTRAINTS

$$C_{\lambda\mu\nu} = W_{\lambda\mu\nu} - \rho \bar{Q} \Gamma_{\lambda\mu\nu} Q \quad \rho = 2\kappa$$

$$C_{\mu\nu} = P^\lambda C_{\lambda\mu\nu} \quad C \equiv C_{\mu\nu} C^{\mu\nu} \text{ Casimir}$$

In the rest frame  $C_{ij} \propto Y_{ij}$  superspin  
 angular momentum

# RELATION BETWEEN MASSLESS IN D dims AND MASSIVE IN (D-1) dims

$$P_\mu \quad \mu = 0, 1, \dots, D-1 \quad P_\mu P^\mu = 0$$

$$P_a = p_a \quad a = 0, 1, \dots, D-2 \quad P_{D-1} \neq 0$$

$$p_a p^a = -P_{D-1}^2 = -m^2 \neq 0$$

SPINORS  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} \eta \\ \tilde{\eta} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\not{P}Q = 0$  GIVES  $\tilde{\eta}$  IN TERMS OF  $\eta$  AND  $p$

FINALLY, RESTRICT  $\Delta_{\lambda\mu\nu}$  TO  $\Delta_{abc}$  IN (D-1) dims.

ONE FINDS  $\Delta_{abc} \neq C_{abc}$  BUT

$$p^a \Delta_{abc} = p^a C_{abc} = C_{bc} = 0 \quad \text{SINCE}$$

$$\text{IT WAS } \Delta_{\lambda\mu\nu} = 0$$

→ MASSIVE CASE IN (D-1) dims WITH  $\chi \propto C = 0$