

Exercise 1

$$1. \begin{pmatrix} \varphi'_1 \\ \varphi'_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix} = U \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_0(\varphi'_1, \partial_\mu \varphi'_1, \varphi'_2, \partial_\mu \varphi'_2) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\partial_\mu (\alpha \varphi_1 + \beta \varphi_2) \partial^\mu (\alpha \varphi_1 + \beta \varphi_2) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \partial_\mu (\gamma \varphi_1 + \delta \varphi_2) \partial^\mu (\gamma \varphi_1 + \delta \varphi_2) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\alpha^2 + \gamma^2) (\partial \varphi_1)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\beta^2 + \delta^2) (\partial \varphi_2)^2 \\ &\quad + (\alpha\beta + \gamma\delta) \partial_\mu \varphi_1 \partial^\mu \varphi_2 \\ &= \mathcal{L}_0(\varphi_1, \partial_\mu \varphi_1, \varphi_2, \partial_\mu \varphi_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha\beta + \gamma\delta = 0 \\ \alpha^2 + \gamma^2 = 1 \\ \beta^2 + \delta^2 = 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha = \cos\theta \\ \gamma = \sin\theta \end{cases} \text{ and } \begin{cases} \beta = \cos\varphi \\ \delta = \sin\varphi \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta \cos\varphi + \sin\theta \sin\varphi = 0 \Rightarrow \cos(\theta - \varphi) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi = \theta + (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \varphi = \theta + \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \det U = 1$$

$$\textcircled{2} \varphi = \theta + \frac{3\pi}{2} \Rightarrow U' = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \det U' = -1$$

The matrices U' are the product of a mirror symmetry and a rotation: $U' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} = S \cdot U(\theta)$

The set of matrices U when θ varies between 0 and 2π is $SO(2)$ and the set of matrices U' is obtained by multiplying them by mirror symmetries that are such that $S^2 = 1$. The set $\{U(\theta), U'(\theta)\} = SO(2) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_2 = O(2)$.

$$2. \quad \vec{\varphi}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1(x) \\ \varphi_2(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \vec{\varphi}(x) \cdot \partial^\mu \vec{\varphi}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \varphi_i(x) \partial^\mu \varphi_i(x)$$

$$\vec{\varphi}'(x) = U \vec{\varphi}(x)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \vec{\varphi}'^\dagger U U \partial^\mu \vec{\varphi}'(x) \quad \Rightarrow \quad U^\dagger U = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad U \in O(2)$$

$$3. \quad \varphi(x) = \frac{\varphi_1(x) + i\varphi_2(x)}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \varphi^*(x) = \frac{\varphi_1(x) - i\varphi_2(x)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_0 = \partial_\mu \varphi^*(x) \partial^\mu \varphi(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi'(x) = e^{i\theta} \varphi(x)$$

$$\text{and } \varphi'^*(x) = e^{-i\theta} \varphi^*(x)$$

keep \mathcal{L}_0 invariant

$$\varphi'(x) = e^{i\theta} \varphi(x) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \varphi'_1 = \cos\theta \varphi_1 - \sin\theta \varphi_2 \\ \varphi'_2 = \sin\theta \varphi_1 + \cos\theta \varphi_2 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow SO(2) \text{ or } U \text{ transfo.}$$

$$\varphi'(x) = e^{i\theta} \varphi^*(x) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \varphi'_1 = \cos\theta \varphi_1 + \sin\theta \varphi_2 \\ \varphi'_2 = \sin\theta \varphi_1 - \cos\theta \varphi_2 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow U' \text{ transfo.}$$

The set of numbers $\{e^{i\theta}\}$ when θ varies between 0 and 2π is $U(1)$. $U(1)$ is "identical" to $SO(2)$ (homeomorphic).

4. One element of $O(2)$ is $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$: it changes $\varphi_1 \rightleftharpoons \varphi_2$:

$$\begin{cases} \varphi'_1 = \varphi_2 \\ \varphi'_2 = \varphi_1 \end{cases}$$

The mass term is invariant under this transformation if $m_1 = m_2$. In this case

$$\mathcal{L}'_0 = \mathcal{L}_0 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 (\varphi_1^2 + \varphi_2^2) = \mathcal{L}_0 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \vec{\varphi}^2 = \mathcal{L}_0 - m^2 \varphi^* \varphi$$

This shows that reciprocally when $m_1^2 = m_2^2 = m^2$, \mathcal{L}'_0 is $O(2)$ -invariant.

5. Under $O(2)$, only $\varphi_1^2(x) + \varphi_2^2(x)$ is invariant. This "implies" that only $(\varphi_1^2(x) + \varphi_2^2(x))^2$ is invariant at order 4. This term can also be written as $(\vec{\varphi}(x))^2$ or $(\varphi^*(x)\varphi(x))^2$.

6. $SO(2)$ is the subgroup of $O(2)$ connected to U_2 .

Under $SO(2)$, the tensor ε_{ij} transforms as

$$\varepsilon'_{ij} = U_{ik} U_{je} \varepsilon_{ke} \quad \text{with } U \in SO(2)$$

$$= U_{ik} \varepsilon_{ke} ({}^t U)_{ej}$$

$$= (U \varepsilon {}^t U)_{ij}$$

$$U \varepsilon {}^t U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ -1 & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \\ -\cos\theta & -\sin\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$= \varepsilon$$

Thus in any frame ε has the same coordinates \Rightarrow it is an invariant tensor of $SO(2)$.

For the other part of the group, it is sufficient to consider one element of Z_2 since all the matrices U' can be written $U' = S \cdot U$ and

$$\varepsilon' = U' \varepsilon {}^t U'$$

$$= S U \varepsilon {}^t U {}^t S$$

$$= S \varepsilon {}^t S$$

$$\text{because } U \varepsilon {}^t U = \varepsilon \quad \forall U \in SO(2)$$

We choose $S = \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ 1 & \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow S \varepsilon {}^t S = \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ 1 & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ -1 & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ 1 & \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} & -1 \\ 1 & \end{pmatrix} = -\varepsilon$$

Thus, under the Z_2 transformations $\varepsilon'_{ij} = -\varepsilon_{ij}$

7. Under $SO(2)$:

$$\begin{aligned} (\epsilon_{ij} \varphi_i \varphi_j)' &= \epsilon_{ij} \varphi_i' \varphi_j' \\ &= \epsilon_{ij} U_{ik} U_{je} \varphi_k \varphi_e \\ &= ({}^t U)_{ki} \epsilon_{ij} U_{je} \varphi_k \varphi_e \\ &= ({}^t U \epsilon U)_{ke} \varphi_k \varphi_e \\ &= \epsilon_{ke} \varphi_k \varphi_e \end{aligned}$$

car $U \in SO(2) \Rightarrow {}^t U = U^{-1} \in SO(2)$
 et $U^{-1} \in (U^{-1})^{-1} = E$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon_{ij} \varphi_i \varphi_j = \text{scalar for } SO(2)$

This is clear when we write it as

$$\epsilon_{ij} \varphi_i \varphi_j = \varphi_1 \varphi_2 - \varphi_2 \varphi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix} \wedge \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{\varphi} \wedge \vec{\varphi}$$

which is obviously invariant under the rotations in the plane $(\vec{\varphi}, \vec{\varphi})$. It is also a pseudo vector and thus we expect it to be transformed in its opposite under "parity", that is mirror symmetry:

$$(\varphi_1 \varphi_2 - \varphi_2 \varphi_1)' = \varphi_2 \varphi_1 - \varphi_1 \varphi_2 = -(\varphi_1 \varphi_2 - \varphi_2 \varphi_1)$$

for the transformation $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix}$.

8. $\mathcal{L}'_0 = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \vec{\varphi}) \cdot (\partial^\mu \vec{\varphi}) - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \vec{\varphi}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \varphi_i \partial^\mu \varphi_i - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \varphi_i \varphi_i$

$$j^\mu(x) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}'_0}{\partial (\partial_\mu \varphi(x))} \delta \varphi(x) + \mathcal{L}'_0 \delta x^\mu$$

$\delta x^\mu = 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1' \\ \varphi_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\delta\theta \\ +\delta\theta & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix} + \delta\theta \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta \varphi_i(x) = -\delta\theta \epsilon_{ij} \varphi_j(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow j^\mu(x) = \partial^\mu \varphi_i (-\epsilon_{ij} \varphi_j(x)) \quad (\text{discarding } \delta\theta)$$

$$= \vec{\varphi} \wedge \partial^\mu \vec{\varphi}$$

$\Rightarrow j^\mu(x)$ is invariant under $SO(2)$ and is changed into its opposite under "parity" \Rightarrow it is a pseudo-scalar for $O(2)$.

$$\partial_\mu j^\mu = \underbrace{\partial_\mu \vec{\varphi} \wedge \partial^\mu \vec{\varphi}}_{=0} + \underbrace{\vec{\varphi} \wedge \square \vec{\varphi}}_{\substack{\hookrightarrow m^2 \vec{\varphi} \\ =0}} \text{ by Euler-Lagrange}$$

because it is antisymmetric in the exchange $\partial_\mu \vec{\varphi} \leftrightarrow \partial^\mu \vec{\varphi}$:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \epsilon_{ij} \eta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \varphi_i \partial_\nu \varphi_j \\ &= \epsilon_{ij} \eta^{\nu\mu} \partial_\nu \varphi_i \partial_\mu \varphi_j \\ &= \epsilon_{ji} \eta^{\nu\mu} \partial_\nu \varphi_j \partial_\mu \varphi_i \\ &= -\epsilon_{ij} \eta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \varphi_i \partial_\nu \varphi_j \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \partial_\mu j^\mu = 0$ as it should for the physical fields.

Exercise 2

1. $\mathcal{L}_0 = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \vec{\varphi}(x) \cdot \partial^\mu \vec{\varphi}(x) - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \vec{\varphi}^2(x)$ It is $O(N)$ -invariant:
 $\vec{\varphi}' = R \vec{\varphi} \quad R \in O(N)$

2. $\mathcal{L}'_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\partial_\mu (\varphi_1)_1 \partial^\mu (\varphi_1)_1 + \dots + \partial_\mu (\varphi_1)_N \partial^\mu (\varphi_1)_N \right. \\ \left. + \partial_\mu (\varphi_2)_1 \partial^\mu (\varphi_2)_1 + \dots + \partial_\mu (\varphi_2)_N \partial^\mu (\varphi_2)_N \right) \\ - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \left((\varphi_1)_1^2 + \dots + (\varphi_1)_N^2 + (\varphi_2)_1^2 + \dots + (\varphi_2)_N^2 \right)$

If we gather the components of $\vec{\varphi}_1(x)$ and $\vec{\varphi}_2(x)$ in a $2N$ -component vector $\vec{\varphi}(x) = ((\varphi_1)_1, \dots, (\varphi_2)_N)$, then

\mathcal{L}'_0 can be written:

$$\mathcal{L}'_0 = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \vec{\varphi} \cdot \partial^\mu \vec{\varphi} - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \vec{\varphi}^2$$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}'_0$ is $O(2N)$ -invariant

3. Same argument as in exercise 1: $(\vec{\varphi}(x))^2$
 There is no other term of order 4 which is $O(2N)$ -invariant.

$$4. U_2 = \vec{\varphi}_1^2 \vec{\varphi}_2^2 - (\vec{\varphi}_1 \cdot \vec{\varphi}_2)^2 \quad \boxed{6}$$

$$\Phi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_{11} & \varphi_{21} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \varphi_{1N} & \varphi_{2N} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \Phi_{i\alpha}(x) = (\varphi_\alpha)_i(x) \\ \text{with } \alpha=1,2 \text{ and } i=1,\dots,N$$

$$\begin{aligned} a. \mathcal{L}'_0 &= \frac{1}{2} \left((\partial_\mu \vec{\varphi}_1)^2 + (\partial_\mu \vec{\varphi}_2)^2 \right) - \frac{1}{2} m^2 (\vec{\varphi}_1^2 + \vec{\varphi}_2^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu (\varphi_\alpha)_i) (\partial^\mu (\varphi_\alpha)_i) - \frac{1}{2} m^2 (\varphi_\alpha)_i (\varphi_\alpha)_i \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \Phi_{i\alpha} \partial^\mu \Phi_{i\alpha} - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \Phi_{i\alpha} \Phi_{i\alpha} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} [\partial_\mu {}^t \Phi \cdot \partial^\mu \Phi] - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \text{Tr} ({}^t \Phi \cdot \Phi) \end{aligned}$$

$$b. * (\vec{\varphi}^2)^2 = (\vec{\varphi}_1^2 + \vec{\varphi}_2^2)^2 = (\text{Tr } {}^t \Phi \Phi)^2$$

$$* {}^t \Phi \cdot \Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_{11} \dots \varphi_{1N} & \varphi_{21} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \varphi_{1N} \dots \varphi_{1N} & \varphi_{2N} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\varphi}_1^2 & \vec{\varphi}_1 \cdot \vec{\varphi}_2 \\ \vec{\varphi}_1 \cdot \vec{\varphi}_2 & \vec{\varphi}_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det({}^t \Phi \Phi) = \vec{\varphi}_1^2 \vec{\varphi}_2^2 - (\vec{\varphi}_1 \cdot \vec{\varphi}_2)^2 \\ = U_2$$

$$5. \Phi' = R \Phi U \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} R \text{ is a } N \times N \text{ matrix} \\ U \text{ " " } 2 \times 2 \text{ " "} \end{array}$$

$${}^t \Phi' \Phi' = {}^t U {}^t \Phi {}^t R R \Phi U$$

$$* \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Tr} ({}^t \Phi' \Phi') = \text{Tr} ({}^t U {}^t \Phi {}^t R R \Phi U) \\ = \text{Tr} ({}^t \Phi \Phi) \quad \forall \Phi \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} {}^t R R = \mathbb{1}_N \Rightarrow R \in O(N) \\ {}^t U U = \mathbb{1}_2 \Rightarrow U \in O(2) \end{array}$$

$$* \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} \det({}^t \Phi' \Phi') = \det({}^t U {}^t \Phi {}^t R R \Phi U) \\ = \det({}^t \Phi \Phi) \quad \forall \Phi \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{same constraints on } R \text{ and } U$$

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The kinetic term $\text{Tr}[\partial_\mu \Phi \partial^\mu \Phi]$ is for the same reasons invariant for $R \in O(N)$ and $U \in O(2)$.

The $O(N)$ and $O(2)$ transformations commute \Rightarrow
 the invariance group of \mathcal{L} is $O(N) \otimes O(2)$

Exercise 3

1. Both H_L and H_R are of dimension 2.

$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ acts on $H_L \otimes H_R$

A convenient basis in $H_L : \{ |+\rangle_L, |-\rangle_L \}$

" " " $H_R : \{ |+\rangle_R, |-\rangle_R \}$

" " " $H_L \otimes H_R : \{ |++\rangle, |+-\rangle, |-+\rangle, |--\rangle \}$

with $|+\rangle_L$ and $|-\rangle_L$ the eigenvectors of σ_3 with eigenvalues $+1$ and -1 (same thing for $|+\rangle_R, |-\rangle_R$) and $|++\rangle = |+\rangle_L \otimes |+\rangle_R$ and so on.

$H_L \otimes H_R$ is a 4 dimensional space.

2. $Q_i = \frac{\sigma_i}{2} \otimes 1$, $N_i = 1 \otimes \frac{\sigma_i}{2}$

and, for instance, $Q_i |++\rangle = \frac{\sigma_i}{2} |+\rangle_L \otimes 1 |+\rangle_R$ while

$N_i |++\rangle = 1 |+\rangle_L \otimes \frac{\sigma_i}{2} |+\rangle_R$

We have

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} & 1 \\ 1 & \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} & -i \\ i & \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|+\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |-\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_1 |+\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = |-\rangle$$

$$\sigma_2 |+\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix} = i |-\rangle$$

$$\sigma_3 |+\rangle = |+\rangle$$

$$\sigma_1 |-\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = |+\rangle$$

$$\sigma_2 |-\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = -i |+\rangle$$

$$\sigma_3 |-\rangle = -|-\rangle$$

We therefore find

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} N_3 |++\rangle = \frac{1}{2} |++\rangle \\ N_3 |+-\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} |+-\rangle \\ N_3 |-+\rangle = \frac{1}{2} |-+\rangle \\ N_3 |--\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} |--\rangle \end{array} \right. , \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q_3 |++\rangle = \frac{1}{2} |++\rangle \\ Q_3 |+-\rangle = +\frac{1}{2} |+-\rangle \\ Q_3 |-+\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} |-+\rangle \\ Q_3 |--\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} |--\rangle \end{array} \right.$$

Therefore

$$N_3 = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} |++\rangle & |+-\rangle & |-+\rangle & |--\rangle \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} |++\rangle \\ |+-\rangle \\ |-+\rangle \\ |--\rangle \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & & & \\ & -\frac{1}{2} & & \\ & & \frac{1}{2} & \\ & & & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$Q_3 = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} |++\rangle & |+-\rangle & |-+\rangle & |--\rangle \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} |++\rangle \\ |+-\rangle \\ |-+\rangle \\ |--\rangle \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & & & \\ & \frac{1}{2} & & \\ & & -\frac{1}{2} & \\ & & & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Similarly we find:

$$N_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$N_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i/2 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{i}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i/2 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{i}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -\frac{i}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i/2 \\ \frac{i}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{i}{2} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

These matrices are of course Hermitic.

3. We have $J_i = N_i + Q_i$ and $K_i = N_i - Q_i$

We therefore find

$$J_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad J_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{-i}{2} & \frac{-i}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{i}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{i}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{i}{2} & \frac{i}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad J_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & 0 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$K_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad K_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{-i}{2} & \frac{-i}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{i}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{i}{2} \\ -\frac{i}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{-i}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{-i}{2} & \frac{i}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad K_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

4. These matrices should satisfy the Lie algebra of the Lorentz group

$$J_1 J_2 = \begin{pmatrix} i/2 & 0 & 0 & -i/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ i/2 & 0 & 0 & -i/2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad J_2 J_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -i/2 & 0 & 0 & -i/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ i/2 & 0 & 0 & i/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus

$$[J_1, J_2] = i J_3 \quad \text{as it should.}$$

All the other commutators can be checked in the same way.

$$\begin{aligned} 5. \quad [t'_a, t'_c] &= t'_a t'_c - t'_c t'_a \\ &= U t_a U^{-1} U t_c U^{-1} - U t_c U^{-1} U t_a U^{-1} \\ &= U [t_a, t_c] U^{-1} \\ &= i f_{abc} U t_c U^{-1} = i f_{abc} t'_c \end{aligned}$$

$$t_a^\dagger = (U t_a U^{-1})^\dagger = U^{-1\dagger} t_a^\dagger U^\dagger = U t_a U^{-1} = t_a$$

because U is unitary.

We conclude that the t_a 's are Hermitic and satisfy the same Lie algebra as the t_a

\Rightarrow they are an Hermitic representation of $\text{Lie}(G)$

6. $g \in G \Rightarrow g = e^{i\alpha_a t_a}$ with $\alpha_a \in \mathbb{R}$

Since the t_a 's are also a representation

of $\text{Lie } G \Rightarrow g' = e^{i\alpha_a t'_a}$ with $\alpha_a \in \mathbb{R}$

is also an element of G

$$\begin{aligned} g' &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i^n (\alpha_a t'_a)^n}{n!} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i^n}{n!} (\alpha_a U t_a U^{-1})^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i^n}{n!} \sum_{a_1, \dots, a_n} \alpha_{a_1} \alpha_{a_2} \dots \alpha_{a_n} U t_{a_1} U^{-1} \dots U t_{a_n} U^{-1} \\ &= U \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i^n}{n!} (\alpha_a t_a)^n U^{-1} \\ &= U e^{i\alpha_a t_a} U^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the sets of matrices $\{e^{i\alpha_a t_a}\}$ and $\{U e^{i\alpha_a t_a} U^{-1} = e^{i\alpha_a t'_a}\}$ are equivalent representations of $G \Rightarrow e^{i\alpha_a t_a}$ and $e^{i\alpha_a t'_a}$

represent the same linear operator in two different basis and U is the transformation matrix between the two basis.

$$\begin{aligned}
 7. \quad U J_3 U^{-1} &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -i & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & 0 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & i & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

which is the "usual" generator of the rotations in the (x, y) plane.

Notice that U is unitary since

$$U U^\dagger = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -i & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & i & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbb{1}_4$$

The same kind of calculation for all J_i and K_i shows that we retrieve all the usual generators in the basis $(t, x, y, z) \Rightarrow$ this set of

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matrices J_i, K_i constitute the spin 1 representation of the Lorentz group: they transform the 4-vectors under Lorentz transformations.

This has been already encountered with Dirac bi-spinors for instance: $\bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \Psi$ is a 4-vector \Rightarrow it spans the (J_i, K_i) representation of the Lorentz group while Ψ and $\bar{\Psi}$ span the spin $\frac{1}{2}$ representation.