

$$g(\vec{e}_{\dot{A}\dot{B}}, \vec{e}_{\dot{C}\dot{D}}) = -\varepsilon_{AC} \varepsilon_{BD} \quad (*)$$

$$\vec{e}_{\dot{A}\dot{B}} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{e}_1 & \vec{e}_2 \\ \vec{e}_1 & -\vec{e}_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{e}_{\dot{A}\dot{B}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^a_{\dot{A}\dot{B}} \vec{e}_a$$

As consequence of (*).

$$\sigma^a_{\dot{A}\dot{B}} \sigma^b_{\dot{C}\dot{D}} g_{ab} = -2 \varepsilon_{AC} \varepsilon_{BD} \quad (**)$$

The scalars are called connexion symbols or Infeld.

The symbols of Levi-Civita are used to raise and lower spinorial indices A, B. Using the conversion.

$$\psi_A = \varepsilon_{AB} \psi^B, \quad \psi^A = \psi = \psi_B \varepsilon^{BA}$$

then

$$\psi^2 = \psi_1, \quad \psi^1 = -\psi_2$$

$$\psi^A = \psi_B \varepsilon^{BA}$$

$$\psi^2 = \psi_B \varepsilon^{B2}$$

$$\psi^2 = \cancel{\psi_1 \varepsilon^{12}} + \cancel{\psi_2 \varepsilon^{22}}$$

$$\psi^2 = \psi_1$$

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

the antisymmetrie of ε_{AB} , implies

$$\psi^A \phi_A = \psi^A \varepsilon_{AB} \phi^B = -\psi^A \varepsilon_{BA} \phi^B = -\psi_B \phi^B = -\psi_A \phi^A.$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi^A \psi_A = 0.$$

Also,

$$\varepsilon^A_B = \delta^A_B \quad \text{and} \quad \varepsilon_A^B = -\delta^B_A.$$

$$\delta^A_C = \varepsilon_{BC} \varepsilon^{BA}$$

$$\delta^1_1 = \varepsilon_{B1} \varepsilon^{B1} = \varepsilon_{11} \varepsilon^{11} + \varepsilon_{21} \varepsilon^{21} = 1.$$

$$\delta^1_2 = \varepsilon_{B2} \varepsilon^{B1} = \varepsilon_{12} \varepsilon^{11} + \varepsilon_{22} \varepsilon^{21} = 0.$$

Proposition: If $\Psi_{AB} = -\Psi_{BA}$, then $\Psi_{AB} = \frac{1}{2} \Psi^R{}_R \varepsilon_{AB}$.

Proof: Any antisymmetric 2×2 matrix is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ -a & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

which may be written as $a(\varepsilon_{AB})$. Then Ψ_{AB} is antisymmetric and $\Psi_{AB} = a\varepsilon_{AB}$, for some a . Contracting by ε^{AB} , then $\Psi^A{}_A = 2a$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^B{}_B &= \varepsilon^{AB} \Psi_{AB} = a \varepsilon_{AB} \varepsilon^{AB} = a \varepsilon^B{}_B \\ \Rightarrow \Psi^B{}_B &= a \delta^B{}_B = 2a. \end{aligned}$$

In a similar way

$$\Psi^{AB} = \frac{1}{2} \Psi^R{}_R \varepsilon^{AB}$$

if $(M^R{}_S)$ a 2×2 matrix (real or complex)

$$\varepsilon_{AC} M^A{}_B M^C{}_D = (\det(M^R{}_S)) \varepsilon_{BD}$$

Proof: Let

$$\Psi_{BD} = \varepsilon_{AC} M^A{}_B M^C{}_D$$

then

$$\Psi_{DB} = \varepsilon_{AC} M^A{}_D M^C{}_B = -\varepsilon_{CA} M^C{}_B M^A{}_D = -\Psi_{BD}.$$

as

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi^R{}_R &= \Psi^1{}_1 + \Psi^2{}_2 = -\Psi_{21} + \Psi_{12} = 2\Psi_{12} \\ &= 2\varepsilon_{AC} M^A{}_1 M^C{}_2 = 2(M^1{}_1 M^2{}_2 - M^2{}_1 M^1{}_2) \\ &= 2\det(M^R{}_S) \end{aligned}$$

Chose of connection symbols

Comparing the

$$\vec{E}_a = (\vec{E}_{A\dot{B}}) = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{E}_1 & \vec{E}_2 \\ \vec{E}_i & -\vec{E}_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

and
$$\vec{E}_{A\dot{B}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^a{}_{A\dot{B}} \vec{E}_a$$

For

$$\bullet (g_{ab}) = \text{diag}(1, 1, 1, 1)$$

$$(\sigma'_{AB}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\sigma^2_{AB}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\sigma^3_{AB}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\sigma^4_{AB}) = \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\bullet (g_{ab}) = \text{diag}(1, 1, -1, -1)$$

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$$\overline{(\sigma^a_{AB})} = \begin{cases} \sigma^{aAB} & \text{Euclidean} \\ \sigma^a_{AB} & \text{Lorentzian.} \\ \sigma^a_{AB} & \text{Ultrahyperbolic} \end{cases}$$

$$\sigma^a_{AB} \sigma^b_{CD} g_{ab} = -2\epsilon_{AC}\epsilon_{BD}$$

Contracting with σ_c^{CD}

$$\sigma^a_{AB} \sigma^b_{CD} \sigma_c^{CD} g_{ab} = -2\epsilon_{AC}\epsilon_{BD} \sigma_c^{CD} = -2\sigma_c_{AB}$$

$$\rightarrow \sigma^a_{AB} (\sigma_{acD} \sigma_c^{Dd} + 2g_{ac}) = 0$$

$$(\sigma_{cAB}) = \sigma^a_{AB} g_{ac}$$

As the σ symbols are invertibles.

$$\sigma_{aAB} \sigma_b^{AB} = -2g_{ab}$$

If $t_{ab\dots d}$ the component of a tensor with respect to the orthonormal base $\{\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \vec{e}_3, \vec{e}_4\}$, the tensorial equivalent.

$$t_{A\dot{B}C\dot{D}\dots GH} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^a_{A\dot{B}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^b_{C\dot{D}} \dots \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^d_{GH} t_{ab\dots d}.$$

is convenient

$$t_{A\dot{A}B\dot{B}\dots D\dot{D}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^a_{A\dot{A}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^b_{B\dot{B}} \dots \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^d_{D\dot{D}} t_{ab\dots d}.$$

also

Homework:

$$t_{ab\dots d} = \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^a_{A\dot{A}}\right) \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^b_{B\dot{B}}\right) \dots \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^d_{D\dot{D}}\right) t_{A\dot{A}B\dot{B}\dots D\dot{D}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V^a \vec{e}_a &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sigma^a_{A\dot{A}} V^{A\dot{A}} \vec{e}_a \\ &= -V^{A\dot{A}} \vec{e}_{A\dot{A}} \end{aligned}$$

where $\vec{e}_{A\dot{A}} \simeq \vec{e}_A \otimes \vec{e}_{\dot{A}}$

Spin space.