

# Dąbrowski

Prop  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{C}^n) \simeq \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p|q}) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$  as  $\mathbb{C}$ -algs.  
 $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+1|q+1}) \simeq \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p|q}) \otimes \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{1|1})$   
 $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+1|q}) \simeq \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{q+1|p})$   
 $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p|q+3}) \simeq \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{q|p+3})$

Pf. Take  $\{z_1, \dots, z_p, z_{p+1}, \dots, z_{p+q}\}$   
basis of  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p|q})$ , and build  
 $\{z_1 \otimes 1, \dots, z_p \otimes 1, z_{p+1} \otimes i, \dots, z_{p+q} \otimes i\}$   
basis of  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p|q}) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ . But all of  
these anticommute and square to 1,  
so they're a basis of  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{C}^n)$ , universal  
prop!

For 2<sup>nd</sup> isom,

$\{z_1 \otimes z_1, z_2, \dots, z_p \otimes z_1, z_2, 1 \otimes z_1, \dots,$   
 $z_{p+1} \otimes z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{p+q} \otimes z_1, z_2, 1 \otimes z_2\}$   
Since  $(z_1 z_2)^2 = z_1 z_2 z_1 z_2 = -z_1 z_2 z_2 z_1 = +1$   
(remember  $z_1^2 = 1, z_2^2 = -1$ ), we get the claim.

3<sup>rd</sup>  $\{z_{q+2} z_{q+1}, \dots, z_{q+p+1} z_{p+1}, z_{q+1}, \dots,$   
 $z_1, z_{q+1}, \dots, z_q z_{q+1}\}$

4<sup>th</sup>  $\{z_{q+1} z_1, \dots, z_{q+p} z_1, z_1 z_2, \dots, z_q z_1, z_{p+q+1} z_{p+q+2}, z_{p+q+3}\}$   
where  $z = z_{p+q+1}, z_{p+q+2}, z_{p+q+3}, z^2 = 1$ .

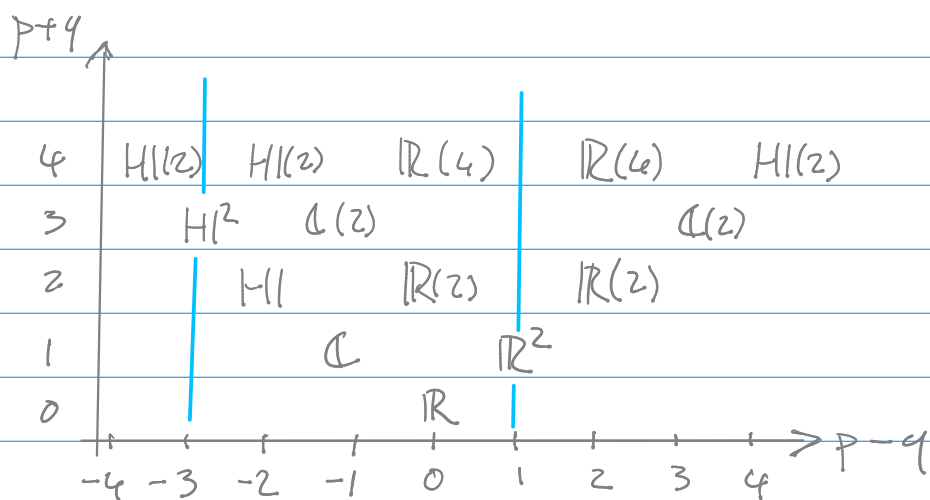
Of course, we need to check that the  
dimensions of both sides add up.

- focusing on low dim.  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+q})$ ,  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{C}^n)$

$(p, q)$	$(1, 0)$	$(0, 0)$	$(0, 1)$	$(0, 2)$	$(0, 3)$	$(1, 1)$	
$\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+q})$	$\overbrace{\mathbb{R} \otimes \mathbb{R}}^{\mathbb{R}^2}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{C}$	$\mathbb{H}$	$\mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{H}$	$M_2(\mathbb{R})$	$\mathbb{D} = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{H}$ , $\mathbb{D}(n) := M_n(\mathbb{D})$

$$a1 \otimes = \otimes 1, 2$$

- recall:  $\mathbb{R} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{R} \cong \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}(n) \otimes \mathbb{D} \cong \mathbb{D}(n)$ ,  
 $\mathbb{R}(n) \otimes \mathbb{R}(m) \cong \mathbb{R}(n \cdot m)$ ,  $\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C}$   
 $\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{C}(2)$



- symmetry  
 around 1, -3  
 by Prop,  
 going up by  
 $p, q \mapsto p+1, q+1$   
 gives you

$$-\otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+q}) = -\otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{R}(2) = -(+2)$$

- note a funny thing,

$$\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{1,3}) = \mathbb{H}(2) \neq \mathbb{R}(4) = \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{3,1}),$$

so we can "distinguish" (anti)Minkowski

- but this amounts to the choice of  $\pm$  in  
 defining Clifford ideal

- mod-8 periodicity,  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+q}, q) \cong \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{q+q}, p)$

$$\text{gives } \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+8}, q) \cong \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+q}, q+4) \cong \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+q}) \otimes \mathbb{R}(16)$$

$$\stackrel{13}{\cong} \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p+q+8})$$

- for  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{C}^n)$ , mod 2 periodic

Def Volume element  $\omega := \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_n$

-  $\omega$  (anti)commutes with  $v \in V$  if  $n$  (even) odd.

Prop The center of  $\mathcal{C}(V)$  is

$$\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{C}(V)) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{K} & \text{for } n \text{ even} \\ \mathbb{K} \oplus \mathbb{K}\omega & \text{for } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$-\omega^2 = (-1)^{(p-q)(p-q-1)/2} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } p-q \equiv \begin{cases} 0,1 \\ 2,3 \end{cases} \pmod{4} \\ -1 & \text{if } p-q \equiv \begin{cases} 1,2 \\ 3,0 \end{cases} \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

- means  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p,q})$  is  $\oplus$  of 2 simple algs ( $\pm 1$  eigensp. of  $\omega$ ) if  $p-q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  & otherwise simple.  $\mathcal{A} = \frac{1+\omega}{2} \mathcal{A} \oplus \frac{1-\omega}{2} \mathcal{A}$

-  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{C}^n)$  is  $\begin{cases} \oplus \text{ of 2 simpl. algs.} \\ \text{simple} \end{cases}$  when  $n = \begin{cases} \text{odd} \\ \text{even} \end{cases}$

$$\omega = (-i)^m \varepsilon_1 \cdots \varepsilon_n, \quad n = 2m+1, \quad m = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$$

-  $\mathcal{C}(V)$  is  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  graded under main involution  $a \mapsto \bar{a}$ ,  $v \mapsto -v$  antiautom., so sends evens to evens, changes sgn of odd  
 $\mathcal{C}^\pm(V) = \pm 1$  eigensp. of main invol.

- can be shown:  $\mathcal{C}^+(\mathbb{R}^{p,q}) \stackrel{\text{alg.}}{\cong} \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{p,q-1})$ ,  
 take  $\{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_{p+q}, \dots, \varepsilon_p, \varepsilon_{p+q}, \varepsilon_{p+1}, \varepsilon_{p+q}, \dots, \varepsilon_{p+q-1}, \varepsilon_{p+q}\}$

-  $\mathcal{C}^+(\mathbb{R}^{p,q})$  is  $\begin{cases} \oplus \text{ of 2 simple} \\ \text{simple} \end{cases}$  if  $p-q \equiv \begin{cases} 1 \\ 3 \end{cases} \pmod{4}$   
 $\mathcal{C}^-(\mathbb{R}^{q,p}) \cong \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^{q,p-1})$

- if we use graded tensor product,  
 $A \hat{\otimes} B, (a \otimes b) \cdot (a' \otimes b') = (-)^{|a'| |b|} (a \cdot a' \otimes b \cdot b')$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(V_1, Q_1) \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{L}(V_2, Q_2) = \mathcal{L}(V_1 \oplus V_2, Q_1 \oplus Q_2)$$

$\uparrow$   
 $V_1 \oplus V_2 \ni v_1 \oplus v_2$

$\uparrow$   
 $v_1 \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes v_2$

$\rightarrow (-)^2 = Q_1 \otimes 1 + v_1 \otimes v_2 - v_1 \otimes v_2 + 1 \otimes Q_2 \checkmark$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^{p,q}) \simeq \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^{2,0})^{\hat{\otimes} p} \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^{0,1})^{\hat{\otimes} q}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^{0,q}) \simeq \mathbb{C}^{\hat{\otimes} q}, \quad \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}^n) \simeq \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C})^{\hat{\otimes} n} = (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\hat{\otimes} n}$$

Spin groups

$$\mathcal{L}^*(V) := \{ a \in \mathcal{L}(V) \mid \exists a^{-1} \}$$

Def. Twisted adjoint rep. of  $\mathcal{L}^*(V)$  on  $\mathcal{L}(V)$ ,  
 $S: \mathcal{L}^*(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(V), a \mapsto S(a),$

$$S(a) b := \bar{a} b a^{-1} \text{ for any } b \in \mathcal{L}(V).$$

Prop  $\ker S = \mathbb{K}^*$

Pf.  $\bar{a} b = b a \quad \forall b \Leftrightarrow (a_+ - a_-) b = b (a_+ + a_-) \quad \forall b.$

Take  $b = 1 \Rightarrow a_- = 0$ . So  $a_+ b = b a_+ \quad \forall b$

$\Leftrightarrow a \in \mathbb{C} \cap (\mathcal{L}^+)^* = \mathbb{K}^*$ , since we have even dim.  $\square$