

H7.1

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$$\begin{aligned}
 a) \quad [\hat{J}_i, \hat{J}_j] &= [\mathbb{1}_4 \hat{L}_i + S_i, \mathbb{1}_4 \hat{L}_j + S_j] \\
 &= [\mathbb{1}_4 \hat{L}_i + S_i, \mathbb{1}_4 \hat{L}_j] + [\mathbb{1}_4 \hat{L}_i + S_i, S_j] \\
 &= \mathbb{1}_4 [\hat{L}_i, \hat{L}_j] + \underbrace{[S_i, \mathbb{1}_4 \hat{L}_j]}_{=0} + \underbrace{[\mathbb{1}_4 \hat{L}_i, S_j]}_{=0} + [S_i, S_j] \\
 &= \mathbb{1}_4 i \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{L}_k + i \epsilon_{ijk} S_k \\
 &= i \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{J}_k
 \end{aligned}$$

S_j is constant

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\hat{J}_i, \hat{J}^2] &= [\hat{J}_i, \hat{J}_i^2 + \hat{J}_j^2 + \hat{J}_k^2] = [\hat{J}_i, \hat{J}_j^2] + [\hat{J}_i, \hat{J}_k^2] \\
 &= [\hat{J}_i, \hat{J}_j] \hat{J}_j + \hat{J}_j [\hat{J}_i, \hat{J}_j] + [\hat{J}_i, \hat{J}_k] \hat{J}_k + \hat{J}_k [\hat{J}_i, \hat{J}_k] \\
 &\quad \left([A, BC] = [A, B]C + B[A, C] \right) \\
 &= \underbrace{i \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{J}_k \hat{J}_j} + \underbrace{\hat{J}_j i \epsilon_{ijk}} + \underbrace{i \epsilon_{ikj} \hat{J}_j \hat{J}_k} + \underbrace{i \epsilon_{ikj} \hat{J}_k \hat{J}_j} \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 b) \quad [\hat{H}, \hat{J}_i] &= [\alpha_k \hat{p}_k + \beta m + \mathbb{1}_4 V, \mathbb{1}_4 \hat{L}_i + S_i] \quad V = V(|\vec{x}|) \\
 &\quad \uparrow \text{summation!} \quad [V(|\vec{x}|), \hat{L}_i] = 0, \quad \rightarrow \text{Electron in hydrogen atom!} \\
 &= [\alpha_k \hat{p}_k, \mathbb{1}_4 \hat{L}_i] + [\alpha_k \hat{p}_k + \beta m, S_i] \quad \text{or mathematically the Li only contains the angle derivatives}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\beta S_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_i & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_i & 0 \\ 0 & -\sigma_i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_i & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = S_i \beta \right]$$

one cannot simply write α in the front!

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \alpha_k [\hat{p}_k, \epsilon_{ijl} x_j \hat{p}_l] + [\alpha_k \hat{p}_k, S_i] \\
 &= \alpha_k \epsilon_{ijl} \{ [\hat{p}_k, \hat{x}_j] \hat{p}_l + x_j [\hat{p}_k, \hat{p}_l] \} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{p}_k \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_k \\ \sigma_k & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_i & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_i \end{pmatrix} \right] \\
 &= \alpha_k \epsilon_{ijl} \hat{p}_l \delta_{kj} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{p}_k \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \delta_{ik} \mathbb{1} + i \epsilon_{ikj} \sigma_j \\ \delta_{ik} \mathbb{1} + i \epsilon_{ikj} \sigma_j & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \delta_{ik} \mathbb{1} + i \epsilon_{ikj} \sigma_j \\ \delta_{ik} \mathbb{1} + i \epsilon_{ikj} \sigma_j & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \\
 &= \epsilon_{ikl} \alpha_k \hat{p}_l + \hat{p}_k \epsilon_{ikj} \alpha_j = \epsilon_{ikl} \alpha_k \hat{p}_l + \epsilon_{ikj} \hat{p}_k \alpha_j = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{J}_i] = 0 \Rightarrow [\hat{H}, \hat{J}_i^2] = 0 \Rightarrow [\hat{H}, \hat{J}^2] = 0$$

$$c) [\hat{H}, \hat{P}_S] \psi = [\hat{H}, \beta \hat{P}] \psi = [\alpha_k \hat{p}_k + \beta m + 1_4 V(|\vec{x}|), \beta \hat{P}] \psi$$

$$= [\alpha_k \hat{p}_k, \beta \hat{P}] \psi$$

$$= \alpha_k \hat{p}_k \beta \hat{P} \psi - \beta \hat{P} \alpha_k \hat{p}_k \psi$$

$$= \underbrace{\{\alpha_k, \beta\}}_{=0} p_k P - \beta \alpha_k \underbrace{\{P, p_k\}}_{=0} = 0$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ll} \alpha_k = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_k \\ \sigma_k & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \alpha_k \cdot \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\sigma_k \\ \sigma_k & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \beta \cdot \alpha_k = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_k \\ -\sigma_k & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \alpha_k \hat{p}_k \beta \psi(t, -\vec{x}) - \beta \alpha_k (-\hat{p}_k) \psi(t, -\vec{x}) = 0$$

$$[\hat{J}_i, \hat{P}_S] = [\hat{L}_i + S_i, \beta \hat{P}] \psi = [S_i, \beta \hat{P}] \psi$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{P} & \hat{x}_i = -\hat{x}_i \\ \hat{P} & \hat{p}_i = -\hat{p}_i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_i & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_i \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \psi(t, -\vec{x}) - \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_i & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_i \end{pmatrix} \psi(t, -\vec{x})$$

$$= 0$$

$$[\hat{J}^2, \hat{P}_S] = [\hat{J}_1^2 + \hat{J}_2^2 + \hat{J}_3^2, \hat{P}_S] = \sum_i [\hat{J}_i^2, \hat{P}_S] = \sum_i \{ \hat{J}_i [\hat{J}_i, \hat{P}_S] + [\hat{J}_i, \hat{P}_S] \hat{J}_i \}$$

$$= [\hat{J}_i]_i, \hat{P}_S = \hat{J}_i [\hat{J}_i, \hat{P}_S] + [\hat{J}_i, \hat{P}_S] \hat{J}_i = 0$$

d) conserved: $j, m_j, p_s \leftarrow$ eigenvalue to \hat{P}_S

eigenstates: j, m_j , invariant under inverse

H7.2

a) if $\psi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, then the only component that would transform is $\partial_\mu = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} \rightarrow \partial'_\mu = \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^\mu}$. The right side is unchanged

$\Rightarrow \partial_\mu = \partial'_\mu$, i.e. the equation is then not invariant under L

b) to fix this, write $\psi: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^4$.

Lorentz transformed Dirac equation:

$$i \gamma^\mu \partial'_\mu \psi' = \frac{mc}{\hbar} \psi', \quad \psi' = S \psi, \quad \partial'_\mu = \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^\mu}$$

$$i \gamma^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^\mu} S \psi = \frac{mc}{\hbar} S \psi$$

$$i \gamma^\mu \underbrace{\frac{\partial x^\nu}{\partial x'^\mu}}_{\text{scalar}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\nu} S \psi = \frac{mc}{\hbar} S \psi$$

γ^μ is scalar
(even though it is matrix)

$$x'^\mu = \Lambda^\mu_\nu x^\nu \Rightarrow \frac{\partial x^\nu}{\partial x'^\mu} = (\Lambda^{-1})^\mu_\nu = \Lambda^\nu_\mu$$

$$i \underbrace{S^{-1} \gamma^\mu \Lambda^\nu_\mu S}_{\text{matrix}} \partial_\nu \psi = \frac{mc}{\hbar} \psi$$

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

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

$$c) \Lambda^\mu_\nu = [\exp(-i \vec{\omega} \cdot \vec{S} - i \vec{S} \cdot \vec{K})]^\mu_\nu$$

$$= [\exp(-i \omega^i \cdot S^i - i S^i \cdot K^i)]^\mu_\nu \leftarrow \text{Summation over } i$$

$$= [\exp(-i \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ijk} \omega_{jk} \epsilon^{imn} M_{mn} - i \omega^{i0} M^{0i})]^\mu_\nu$$

$$\left(\epsilon^{ijk} \epsilon^{imn} = \delta^{jm} \delta^{kn} - \delta^{jn} \delta^{km} \right)$$

$$= \exp(-\frac{i}{2} \omega_{jk} M_{jk} - i \omega^{i0} M^{0i})^\mu_\nu$$

$$M_{kj} = -M_{jk}$$

$$= \exp \left(-\frac{i}{2} \omega_{jk} M^{jk} - \frac{i}{2} \underbrace{\omega^{i0} M^{0i}}_{= \omega_{i0} M^{i0}} - \frac{i}{2} \underbrace{\omega^{0i} M^{i0}}_{= \omega_{0i} M^{0i}} \right)^\mu_\nu$$

$$\left(\begin{aligned} \omega_{\rho\sigma} M^{\rho\sigma} &= \omega_{\rho 0} M^{\rho 0} + \omega_{\rho i} M^{\rho i} \quad \left[\text{Assume } \omega_{00} M^{00} = 0 \right] \\ &= \omega_{i0} M^{i0} + \omega_{0i} M^{0i} + \omega_{ki} M^{ki} \\ &= \exp \left(-\frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} M^{\rho\sigma} \right)^\mu_\nu \end{aligned} \right)$$

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skew symmetric
tensor: diagonal
elements vanish!

d) $S = \exp \left(-\frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} \right)$

Eg. (2): $S^{-1} \gamma^\mu S = \Lambda^\mu_\nu \gamma^\nu$

take the first order of the exponential in S and Λ^μ_ν

$$S = \exp \left(-\frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} \right)$$

$$= \sum_n \frac{1}{n!} \left(-\frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} \right)^n$$

$$= -\frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} + \mathcal{O}(\omega_{\rho\sigma}^2)$$

$$\Lambda^\mu_\nu = \exp \left(-\frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} M^{\rho\sigma} \right)^\mu_\nu = \sum_n \frac{1}{n!} \left[\left(-\frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} M^{\rho\sigma} \right)^\mu_\nu \right]^n$$

$$= \left(-\frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} M^{\rho\sigma} \right)^\mu_\nu + \mathcal{O}(\omega_{\rho\sigma}^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} \right)^{-1} \gamma^\mu \left(1 - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} \right) = \left(1 - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} M^{\rho\sigma} \right)^\mu_\nu \gamma^\nu$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} \right) \gamma^\mu \left(1 - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} \right) = \left(1 - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} M^{\rho\sigma} \right)^\mu_\nu \gamma^\nu$$

$$\cancel{\mathcal{O}(\omega^2)} + \cancel{\gamma^\mu} + \left(\frac{i}{2} \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} \right) \gamma^\mu - \left(\frac{i}{2} \right) \gamma^\mu \omega_{\rho\sigma} \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} = \cancel{\gamma^\mu} - \left(\frac{i}{2} \right) \omega_{\rho\sigma} (M^{\rho\sigma})^\mu_\nu \gamma^\nu$$

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} \gamma^\mu - \gamma^\mu \Sigma^{\rho\sigma} = - (M^{\rho\sigma})^\mu_\nu \gamma^\nu$$

$$\Rightarrow [\gamma^\mu, \Sigma^{\nu\sigma}] = (M^{\nu\sigma})^\mu_\rho \gamma^\rho$$

e) $g_{\mu\nu} \Lambda^\mu{}_\rho \Lambda^\nu{}_\sigma = g_{\rho\sigma}$, to the 1. order in exponential

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\alpha\beta} M^{\alpha\beta}\right)^\mu{}_\rho g_{\mu\nu} \left(1 - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\alpha\beta} M^{\alpha\beta}\right)^\nu{}_\sigma = g_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$\cancel{g_{\mu\nu}} - \frac{i}{2} \mathbb{1}_\sigma^\nu \omega_{\alpha\beta} (M^{\alpha\beta})^\mu{}_\rho g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{i}{2} \mathbb{1}_\rho^\mu g_{\mu\nu} \omega_{\alpha\beta} (M^{\alpha\beta})^\nu{}_\sigma + \mathcal{O}(\omega^2) = \cancel{g_{\rho\sigma}}$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\alpha\beta} (M^{\alpha\beta})^\mu{}_\rho g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{i}{2} g_{\rho\nu} \omega_{\alpha\beta} (M^{\alpha\beta})^\nu{}_\sigma = g_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$i \omega_{\alpha\beta} \left((M^{\alpha\beta})^\mu{}_\rho g_{\mu\nu} + g_{\rho\nu} (M^{\alpha\beta})^\nu{}_\sigma \right) = \underline{2(g_{\mu\nu} - g_{\rho\sigma})}$$

e) to show $(M^{\rho\sigma})^\mu{}_\nu = i(g^{\rho\mu} \delta^\sigma{}_\nu - g^{\sigma\mu} \delta^\rho{}_\nu)$

$$\Lambda^T g \Lambda = g$$

$$\Lambda = \Lambda_1 \Lambda_2 \dots \Lambda_n$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} \Lambda^\mu{}_\rho \Lambda^\nu{}_\sigma = g_{\rho\sigma}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= g_{\mu\nu} \left(\delta^\mu{}_\rho - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\alpha\beta} (M^{\alpha\beta})^\mu{}_\rho \right) \left(\delta^\nu{}_\sigma - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\alpha\beta} (M^{\alpha\beta})^\nu{}_\sigma \right) \\ &= g_{\rho\sigma} - \frac{i}{2} \omega_{\alpha\beta} \left[\underbrace{g_{\rho\nu} (M^{\alpha\beta})^\nu{}_\sigma}_{\text{plug in}} + \underbrace{g_{\mu\sigma} (M^{\alpha\beta})^\mu{}_\rho}_{\text{plug in}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

f) $[r^\mu, \frac{i}{4} [r^\nu, r^\sigma]] = (M^{\nu\sigma})^\mu{}_\rho r^\rho$ plug in

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{i}{4} [r^\mu, r^\nu r^\sigma] - \frac{i}{4} [r^\mu, r^\sigma r^\nu]$$

$$= \frac{i}{4} \left\{ -r^\nu \{r^\sigma, r^\mu\} + \{r^\nu, r^\mu\} r^\sigma + r^\sigma \{r^\nu, r^\mu\} - \{r^\sigma, r^\mu\} r^\nu \right\}$$

$$= \frac{i}{4} \left\{ -r^\nu \cdot 2g^{\sigma\mu} \mathbb{1} + 2g^{\nu\mu} \mathbb{1} r^\sigma + r^\sigma 2g^{\nu\mu} \mathbb{1} - 2g^{\sigma\mu} \mathbb{1} r^\nu \right\}$$

$$= \frac{i}{4} (-4g^{\sigma\mu} r^\nu + 4g^{\nu\mu} r^\sigma)$$

$$= i(-g^{\sigma\mu} r^\nu + g^{\nu\mu} r^\sigma)$$

$$\text{RHS} = (M^{\nu\sigma})^\mu{}_\rho r^\rho = i(g^{\nu\mu} \delta^\sigma{}_\rho - g^{\sigma\mu} \delta^\nu{}_\rho) r^\rho$$

$$= i(g^{\nu\mu} r^\sigma - g^{\sigma\mu} r^\nu) \Rightarrow \square$$