

# 4D Gamma Matrix

- tensor product
- real rep of gamma matrices in 4D
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- spinor metric, two form, basis
- Fierz Identities

Pauli matrices

$$(\sigma^1)_\alpha^\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\sigma^2)_\alpha^\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\sigma^3)_\alpha^\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{su}(2) \quad S_i = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_i \quad [S_i, S_j] = i \epsilon_{ijk} S_k$$

properties:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \sigma^i \sigma^j = i \epsilon^{ijk} \sigma^k \quad \begin{matrix} i \neq j \\ \text{symmetric} \end{matrix}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (\sigma^i)^2 = \mathbb{I}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \{ \sigma^i, \sigma^j \} = \sigma^i \sigma^j + \sigma^j \sigma^i \quad = 2 \delta^{ij} \mathbb{I}_2$$

"Clifford Algebra"

$$\delta^{ij} \quad \text{symmetric}$$

convention

$$i, j : \delta_{ij} \quad \delta^{ij}$$

$$m, n : \eta_{mn}, \eta^{mn}$$

$$\mu, \nu : g_{\mu\nu}, g^{\mu\nu}$$

taking trace on ③ :

$$\text{RHS} = \text{Tr} [ 2 \delta^{ij} \mathbb{I}_2 ] = 4 \delta^{ij}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{LHS} &= \text{Tr} [ \{ \sigma^i, \sigma^j \} ] = \text{Tr} [ \sigma^i \sigma^j + \sigma^j \sigma^i ] \\ &= \text{Tr} [ \sigma^i \sigma^j ] + \text{Tr} [ \sigma^j \sigma^i ] = 2 \text{Tr} [ \sigma^i \sigma^j ] \\ \Rightarrow \text{Tr} [ \sigma^i \sigma^j ] &= 2 \delta^{ij}\end{aligned}$$

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$$*\text{ Tr}[AB] = \text{Tr}[BA]$$

$$\text{Tr}[ABC] = \text{Tr}[BCA] = \text{Tr}[CAB]$$

cyclic property of trace.

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$$\begin{cases} \overset{\vee}{\gamma}^0 = i6^2 \\ \overset{\vee}{\gamma}^1 = 6^3 \\ \overset{\wedge}{\gamma}^2 = 6^1 \end{cases} \quad \left\{ \overset{\vee}{\gamma}^i, \overset{\vee}{\gamma}^j \right\} = 2 \overset{\vee}{\eta}^{ij} \mathbb{I}_2$$

$i, j = 0, 1, 2$

$$\overset{\vee}{\eta}^{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \overset{\vee}{X}^i = \begin{pmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

Minkowski spacetime associated with  $\eta^{ij}$

$$\overset{\vee}{X}_i = (-ct, x, y)$$

Dimensions :  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{spacetime dimension } D : \text{size of the metric} \\ x^m \quad m=1,\dots,D \text{ (Euclidean)} \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad 0,\dots,D-1 \text{ (Minkowski)} \\ \text{spinor dimension } d : \text{size of the gamma matrices} \\ d(D) \qquad \qquad \qquad (\gamma^m)_{\alpha}{}^{\beta} \quad \alpha, \beta = 1, \dots, d \end{array} \right.$

Dirac Equation:

$$(\gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta \frac{\partial}{\partial x^m} \Psi_\beta = M \underset{\text{mass}}{\downarrow} \underset{\text{spinor}}{\downarrow} \Psi_\alpha$$

$$\Psi_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_d \end{pmatrix}$$

Q:  $D = 3$        $m = 0, 1, 2$   
 $\alpha = 1, 2$

D	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
d	1	2	2	4	4	8	8	16	16	32	32	64
	64	128	128	256						Bott		

$\otimes$   $(\gamma^m)_{\alpha} \underset{P}{\beta} \quad : \text{matrix}$

$(\gamma^m) \beta \underset{\alpha}{\times} X$

Tensor Product  $\otimes$

tensor product of two matrices is defined

$$\begin{pmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} f_{11} & f_{12} \\ f_{21} & f_{22} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} P_{11}f_{11} & P_{11}f_{12} & P_{12}f_{11} & P_{12}f_{12} \\ P_{11}f_{21} & P_{11}f_{22} & P_{12}f_{21} & P_{12}f_{22} \\ P_{21}f_{11} & P_{21}f_{12} & P_{22}f_{11} & P_{22}f_{12} \\ P_{21}f_{21} & P_{21}f_{22} & P_{22}f_{21} & P_{22}f_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\equiv \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{P_{11}Q} & \boxed{P_{12}Q} \\ \boxed{P_{21}Q} & \boxed{P_{22}Q} \end{pmatrix}$$

properties :

$$\textcircled{1} \quad (P_{m \times m} \otimes Q_{n \times n}) : (m+n) \times (m+n) ?$$

$\begin{matrix} P \\ \uparrow \\ \text{matrices} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} Q \\ \uparrow \\ \end{matrix}$

$$(mn) \times (mn) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad (A+B) \otimes C = A \otimes C + B \otimes C$$

$$C \otimes (A+B) = C \otimes A + C \otimes B$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{number}}}{k} (A \otimes B) = (kA) \otimes B$$

$$= A \otimes (kB)$$

HW

prove :

$$\textcircled{4} \quad X = P_{m \times m} \otimes Q_{n \times n} \quad \underbrace{XY}_{\substack{\text{matrix} \\ \text{multiplication}}} = (\underbrace{PM}_{\substack{\text{matrix} \\ \text{multiplication}}}) \otimes (\underbrace{QN}_{\substack{\text{matrix} \\ \text{multiplication}}})$$

$$Y = M_{m \times m} \otimes N_{n \times n}$$

$$4D: \quad X^m : m = 0, 1, 2, 3 \quad D=4$$

$$(\gamma^m)_\alpha{}^\beta \quad \alpha, \beta = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad d=4$$

$$\sigma^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad i\sigma^2 = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\gamma^0)_\alpha{}^\beta = (\sigma^3 \otimes i\sigma^2)_\alpha{}^\beta \\ (\gamma^1)_\alpha{}^\beta = (\mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \sigma^1)_\alpha{}^\beta \\ (\gamma^2)_\alpha{}^\beta = - (i\sigma^2 \otimes i\sigma^2)_\alpha{}^\beta \\ (\gamma^3)_\alpha{}^\beta = (\mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \sigma^3)_\alpha{}^\beta \end{array} \right.$$

explicitly,

$$(\gamma^0)_{\alpha}^{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{column} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{\alpha}^{\beta}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{i6^2}_{2 \times 2} & \boxed{0}_{2 \times 2} \\ \boxed{0}_{2 \times 2} & \boxed{-i6^2}_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix}_{\alpha}^{\beta}$$

e.g.  $(\gamma^0)_1^1 = 0$

$(\gamma^0)_2^3 = 0$

homework

during the break:

$$(\gamma^1)_{\alpha}^{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 0(00) \\ 1000 \\ 0001 \\ 0010 \end{pmatrix}_{\alpha}^{\beta}$$
$$(\gamma^3)_{\alpha}^{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1000 \\ 0-100 \\ 0010 \\ 000-1 \end{pmatrix}_{\alpha}^{\beta}$$

$$(\gamma^2)_{\alpha}^{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 000-1 \\ 0010 \\ 0100 \\ -1000 \end{pmatrix}_{\alpha}^{\beta}$$

check:  $(\gamma^m)_\alpha \overset{\beta}{\circ} (\gamma^n)^\beta + (\gamma^n)_\alpha \overset{\beta}{\circ} (\gamma^m)^\beta = 2\eta^{mn} \delta_\alpha^\gamma$

$= 2\eta^{mn} (\mathbb{I}_4)_\alpha^\gamma$

"northwest - south east"

contraction convention

$$\gamma^m \cdot \gamma^n + \gamma^n \cdot \gamma^m = 2\eta^{mn} \mathbb{I}_4$$

$\downarrow$   $\swarrow$   
(matrix multiplication)

\*  $m=0, n=0 : (\gamma^0)_\alpha^\beta = \underbrace{\epsilon^3 \otimes i\epsilon^2}_{(P \otimes Q) \cdot (M \otimes N)} = (P \cdot M) \otimes (Q \cdot N)$

$$\begin{aligned}
LHS &= 2(\gamma^0)_\alpha^\beta (\gamma^0)_\beta^\gamma = 2 \left( \sigma^3 \otimes i\sigma^2 \right)_\alpha^\beta \left( \sigma^3 \otimes i\sigma^2 \right)_\beta^\gamma \\
&= -2 \left[ \underbrace{(\sigma^3 \cdot \sigma^3)}_{\mathbb{I}_2} \otimes \underbrace{(\sigma^2 \cdot \sigma^2)}_{\mathbb{I}_2} \right]_\alpha^\gamma \\
&= -2 [\mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \mathbb{I}_2]_\alpha^\gamma = -2 \underbrace{(\mathbb{I}_4)_\alpha^\gamma}_{\eta^{00} = -1} = -2 \delta_\alpha^\gamma \\
&= 2 \eta^{00} \delta_\alpha^\gamma \quad (\eta^{00} = -1) \\
&= RHS \quad \checkmark
\end{aligned}$$

\*  $m=0, n=1$

$$\begin{aligned}
LHS &= (\gamma^0)_\alpha^\beta (\gamma^1)_\beta^\gamma + (\gamma^1)_\alpha^\beta (\gamma^0)_\beta^\gamma \\
&= \left[ \sigma^3 \otimes i\sigma^2 \right]_\alpha^\beta \left[ \mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \sigma^1 \right]_\beta^\gamma + \left[ \mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \sigma^1 \right]_\alpha^\beta \left[ \sigma^3 \otimes i\sigma^2 \right]_\beta^\gamma
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[ \underbrace{\left( \sigma^3 \cdot \mathbb{I}_2 \right)}_{\text{}} \otimes \underbrace{\left( i\sigma^2 \cdot \sigma^1 \right)}_{\text{}} \right]_\alpha^\tau + \left[ \left( \mathbb{I}_2 \cdot \sigma^3 \right) \otimes \left( \sigma^1 \cdot i\sigma^2 \right) \right]_\alpha^\tau \\
&= \left[ \sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^3 \right]_\alpha^\tau + \left[ \sigma^3 \otimes (-\sigma^3) \right]_\alpha^\tau = 0
\end{aligned}$$

$\cancel{*} \quad i\sigma^2 \cdot \sigma^1 = i(i\epsilon^{213} \sigma^3) = i^2(-1)\sigma^3 = -\sigma^3$

$$\text{RHS} = 2\eta^{01} (\mathbb{I}_4)_\alpha^\tau = 2\eta^{01} S_\alpha^\tau = 0 = \text{LHS} \quad \checkmark$$

\* checking for other  $m, n$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\gamma^5)_\alpha^\beta &\equiv \left( i\gamma^0\gamma^1\gamma^2\gamma^3 \right)_\alpha^\beta \\
 &= \left[ i \left( \sigma^3 \otimes i\sigma^2 \right) \left( \mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \sigma^1 \right) \left( -i\sigma^2 \otimes i\sigma^2 \right) \left( \mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \sigma^3 \right) \right]_\alpha^\beta
 \end{aligned}$$

Aside:  $(P \otimes Q)(M \otimes N) = (P \cdot M) \otimes (Q \cdot N)$   
 $(P_1 \otimes Q_1)(P_2 \otimes Q_2) \cdots (P_N \otimes Q_N)$   
 $= (P_1 P_2 \cdots P_N) \otimes (Q_1 Q_2 \cdots Q_N)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= - \left[ (\sigma^3 \cdot \mathbb{I}_2 \cdot \sigma^2 \cdot \mathbb{I}_2) \otimes \left\{ \sigma^2 \cdot \sigma^1 \cdot \sigma^2 \cdot \sigma^3 \right\} \right]_\alpha^\beta \\
 &\quad \left. \begin{array}{l} (\sigma^3 \cdot \sigma^2) = -i\sigma^1 \\ -i\sigma^3 \cdot \underbrace{\sigma^2 \cdot \sigma^3}_{i\sigma^1} = i\sigma^2 \end{array} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(\gamma^5)_\alpha{}^\beta = - \left[ (-i\sigma^1) \otimes (i\sigma^2) \right]_\alpha{}^\beta = - [\sigma^1 \otimes \sigma^2]_\alpha{}^\beta$$

\* why  $\gamma^5$ ? if we call it  $\gamma^4$ , we have  $\{\gamma^0, \gamma^1, \gamma^2, \gamma^3, \gamma^4\}$   
 confuses with D=5 gamma matrices.

Homework: ①  $(\gamma^5)_\alpha{}^\beta (\gamma^5)_\beta{}^\gamma = ?$

②  $(\gamma^5)_\alpha{}^\beta (\gamma^m)_\beta{}^\gamma = k (\gamma^m)_\alpha{}^\beta (\gamma^5)_\beta{}^\gamma$   
 $m = 0, 1, 2, 3$

solve for  $k$ .

Define two-form  $(0,2)$  tensor

$$A_{\underline{P}\underline{Q}} = -A_{\underline{Q}\underline{P}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\delta^{mn})_{\alpha}{}^{\beta} &= \frac{i}{2} \left[ (\gamma^m)_{\alpha}{}^{\delta} (\gamma^n)_{\delta}{}^{\beta} - (\gamma^n)_{\alpha}{}^{\delta} (\gamma^m)_{\delta}{}^{\beta} \right] \\ &= \frac{i}{2} \left( [\gamma^m, \gamma^n] \right)_{\alpha}{}^{\beta} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underbrace{\delta^{mn}}_{m,n=0,1,2,3} = -\delta^{nm}$$

# of independent  $\delta^{mn} = 6$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^{01}, \quad &\delta^{02}, \quad \delta^{03} \\ \delta^{12}, \quad &\delta^{13}, \quad \delta^{23} \end{aligned}$$

Summary:  $(\gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta$ ,  $(\gamma^5)_\alpha^\beta$ ,  $(\delta^{mn})_\alpha^\beta$ ,  $(\gamma^5 \gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta$ ,  $(I_4)_\alpha^\beta$

Counting: {4} {1} {6} {4} {1}

$$\text{total } \# = 16 = 4 \times 4 = d \times d$$

$\Rightarrow$  a basis of  $4 \times 4$  matrices.

raise/lower indices

recall: vector indices  $m, n = 0, 1, 2, 3$

$$A^m = \sum_p \eta^{mn} A_n ; A_m = \eta_{mn} A^n$$

spinor indices : spinor metric  $C_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $C^{\alpha\beta}$   $\alpha, \beta = 1, 2, 3, 4$

spinor metric  $C_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}_{\alpha\beta} = -i(6^3 \otimes 6^2)_{\alpha\beta}$

inverse spinor metric  
 $C^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \downarrow \\ \text{same} \end{pmatrix}_{\alpha\beta}$

$C^{\alpha\beta} C_{\beta\gamma} = \delta_\gamma^\alpha$  NOT MATRIX MULTIPLICATION!

$[-i(6^3 \otimes 6^2)^\alpha{}_\beta] [-i(6^3 \otimes 6^2)]_{\alpha\gamma}$

$$= (-1) \left[ (\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2)^{\alpha\beta} (\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2)_{\alpha\gamma} \right]$$

$$= (-1) \left[ (-1) (\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2)^{\beta\alpha} (\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2)_{\alpha\gamma} \right]$$

$$= \left[ (\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2)(\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2) \right]^\beta_\gamma = \left[ (\bar{\sigma}^3 \sigma^3) \otimes (\sigma^2 \sigma^2) \right]^\beta_\gamma = \delta^\beta_\gamma$$

Properties : ①  $C_{\alpha\beta} = - C_{\beta\alpha}$

$$C^{\alpha\beta} = - C^{\beta\alpha} \quad \text{number !}$$

② lower :  $\psi_\beta = \psi^\alpha C_{\alpha\beta} = C_{\alpha\beta} \psi^\alpha$

raise :  $\psi^\beta = C^{\beta\alpha} \psi_\alpha = \psi_\alpha C^{\beta\alpha}$

you can move  $C^{\alpha\beta}(C_{\alpha\beta})$  around.

but you have to stick with this rule !

$$(\gamma^m)_{\alpha}{}^{\beta} : (\gamma^m)_{\alpha\beta} = (\gamma^m)_{\alpha}{}^{\tau} C_{\tau\beta} = C_{\tau\beta} (\gamma^m)_{\alpha}{}^{\tau}$$

$$(\gamma^m)^{\alpha\beta} = C^{\alpha\tau} (\gamma^m)_{\tau}{}^{\beta} = (\gamma^m)_{\tau}{}^{\beta} C^{\alpha\tau}$$

$$(\gamma^m)_{\alpha\beta} = \underbrace{(\gamma^m)_{\tau}}_{\beta} C_{\tau\alpha} \quad \times$$

NOT DEFINED

$$(\gamma^m)_{\alpha\beta} = (\gamma^m)^{\tau\delta} C_{\tau\alpha} C_{\delta\beta}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\gamma^o)_{\alpha\beta} : \quad (\gamma^o)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\gamma^o)_\alpha {}^\gamma C_{\gamma\beta} \\
&\simeq \left( 6^3 \otimes i6^2 \right)_\alpha {}^\gamma \left( -i6^3 \otimes 6^2 \right)_{\gamma\beta} \\
&= i(-i) \left( (6^3 \cdot 6^3) \otimes (6^2 \cdot 6^2) \right)_{\alpha\beta} \\
&= (\mathbb{I}_4)_{\alpha\beta}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\gamma^1)_{\alpha\beta} : \quad (\gamma^1)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\gamma^1)_\alpha {}^\gamma C_{\gamma\beta} \\
&= (\mathbb{I}_2 \otimes 6^1)_\alpha {}^\gamma \left( -i6^3 \otimes 6^2 \right)_{\gamma\beta} \\
&= (-i) \left( (\mathbb{I}_2 \cdot 6^3) \otimes (6^1 \cdot 6^2) \right)_{\alpha\beta} \\
&= (-i) \left( 6^3 \otimes i6^3 \right)_{\alpha\beta} = (6^3 \otimes 6^3)_{\alpha\beta}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\gamma^2)_{\alpha\beta} : \quad (\gamma^2)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\gamma^2)_\alpha^\tau C_{\tau\beta} \\
&= -\left(i\sigma^2 \otimes i\sigma^2\right)_\alpha^\tau \left(-i\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2\right)_{\tau\beta} \\
&= -i\left(\begin{smallmatrix} (\sigma^2, \sigma^3) \\ i\sigma^1 \end{smallmatrix} \otimes \begin{smallmatrix} (\sigma^2, \sigma^1) \\ \mathbb{I}_2 \end{smallmatrix}\right)_{\alpha\beta} \\
&= (\sigma^1 \otimes \mathbb{I}_2)_{\alpha\beta}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\gamma^3)_{\alpha\beta} : \quad (\gamma^3)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\gamma^3)_\alpha^\tau C_{\tau\beta} \\
&= (\mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \sigma^3)_\alpha^\tau \left(-i\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2\right)_{\tau\beta} \\
&= -i\left(\begin{smallmatrix} (\mathbb{I}_2, \sigma^3) \\ \otimes \end{smallmatrix} \begin{smallmatrix} (\sigma^3, \sigma^2) \\ \end{smallmatrix}\right)_{\alpha\beta} \\
&= -i\left(\begin{smallmatrix} \sigma^3 \\ \otimes \end{smallmatrix} \begin{smallmatrix} (-i\sigma^1) \\ \end{smallmatrix}\right)_{\alpha\beta} \\
&= -(\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^1)_{\alpha\beta}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\gamma^0)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \mathbb{I}_2)_{\alpha\beta} & (\gamma^2)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\sigma^1 \otimes \mathbb{I}_2)_{\alpha\beta} \\
 (\gamma^1)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^3)_{\alpha\beta} & (\gamma^3)_{\alpha\beta} &= -(\sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^1)_{\alpha\beta}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(\gamma^\circ)_{\alpha\beta} = (\gamma^\circ)_{\beta\alpha}$$

Homework:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\gamma^1)_{\alpha\beta} &= s_1 (\gamma^1)_{\beta\alpha} \\
 (\gamma^2)_{\alpha\beta} &= s_2 (\gamma^2)_{\beta\alpha} \\
 (\gamma^3)_{\alpha\beta} &= s_3 (\gamma^3)_{\beta\alpha} \\
 (\gamma^5)_{\alpha\beta} &= s_4 (\gamma^5)_{\beta\alpha}
 \end{aligned}$$

find  $s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4$

$$\text{summary: } (\gamma^m)_{\alpha\beta} = (\gamma^m)_{\beta\alpha}$$

$$C_{\alpha\beta} = - C_{\beta\alpha}$$

$$(\gamma^5)_{\alpha\beta} = - (\gamma^5)_{\beta\alpha}$$

$$(\gamma^5 \gamma^m)_{\alpha\beta} = \ell_1 (\gamma^5 \gamma^m)_{\beta\alpha}$$

$$(\sigma^{mn})_{\alpha\beta} = \ell_2 (\delta^{mn})_{\beta\alpha}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma^5 \gamma^0)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\gamma^5 \gamma^0)_\alpha^\gamma C_{\gamma\beta} = (\gamma^5)_\alpha^\delta (\gamma^0)_{\delta\beta} \\ &= (\gamma^5)_\alpha^\delta (\mathbb{I}_4)_{\delta\beta} = (-\epsilon^1 \otimes \epsilon^2)_{\alpha\beta} \end{aligned}$$

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$$(\gamma^5 \gamma^0)_\alpha^\gamma C_{\gamma\beta} = \underbrace{(\gamma^5)_\alpha^\delta}_{\gamma} \underbrace{(\gamma^0)_{\delta\beta}}_{\gamma} C_{\gamma\beta} \Rightarrow \underbrace{(\gamma^0)_{\delta\beta}}_{\gamma}$$

$$(\gamma^5)_\alpha{}^\delta = \left( -\sigma^1 \otimes \sigma^2 \right)_\alpha{}^\delta$$

$$(\gamma^0)_\delta{}^\tau = \left( \sigma^3 \otimes i\sigma^2 \right)_\delta{}^\tau$$

$$C_{\gamma\beta} = -i \left( \sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2 \right)_{\gamma\beta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma^5 \gamma^0)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\gamma^5)_\alpha{}^\delta (\gamma^0)_\delta{}^\tau C_{\gamma\beta} \\ &= \left( -\sigma^1 \otimes \sigma^2 \right)_\alpha{}^\delta \left( \sigma^3 \otimes i\sigma^2 \right)_\delta{}^\tau \underbrace{\left( -i \right)}_{(-i)} \left( \sigma^3 \otimes \sigma^2 \right)_{\gamma\beta} \\ &= - \left( (\sigma^1, \sigma^3, \sigma^3) \otimes (\sigma^2, \sigma^2, \sigma^2) \right)_{\alpha\beta} \\ &= - (\sigma^1 \otimes \sigma^2)_{\alpha\beta} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\gamma^5 \gamma^0)_{\alpha\beta} = - (\gamma^5 \gamma^0)_{\beta\alpha}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\gamma^{\varsigma} \gamma^m)_{\alpha\beta} &= (\gamma^{\varsigma})_{\alpha}{}^{\tau} (\gamma^m)_{\tau\beta} \\
 &= (\gamma^{\varsigma})_{\alpha}{}^{\tau} (\gamma^m)_{\beta\tau} \\
 &= (\gamma^m)_{\beta\tau} (\gamma^{\varsigma})_{\alpha}{}^{\tau} \\
 &= -(\gamma^m)_{\beta}{}^{\tau} (\gamma^{\varsigma})_{\alpha\tau}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\gamma^{\varsigma})_{\alpha\gamma} &= -(\gamma^{\varsigma})_{\gamma\alpha} \\
 &= (\gamma^m)_{\beta}{}^{\tau} (\gamma^{\varsigma})_{\tau\alpha} \\
 &= (\gamma^m \gamma^{\varsigma})_{\beta\alpha}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma^m \gamma^{\varsigma} &= -\gamma^{\varsigma} \gamma^m \\
 &= -(\gamma^{\varsigma} \gamma^m)_{\beta\alpha}
 \end{aligned}$$

Aside:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{\alpha} B_{\beta}^{\alpha} &= A_{\alpha} \underbrace{C^{\alpha\beta}}_{= -C^{\beta\alpha}} B_{\beta} \\
 &= A_{\alpha} (-C^{\beta\alpha}) B_{\beta} \\
 &= -\underbrace{C^{\beta\alpha} A_{\alpha}}_{= -A^{\beta}} B_{\beta} \\
 &= -A^{\alpha} B_{\alpha}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &(\gamma^m)_{\beta}{}^{\tau} (\gamma^{\varsigma})_{\alpha}{}^{\gamma} \\
 &= -(\cancel{\gamma^m})^{\tau} \cancel{\beta} (\gamma^{\varsigma})_{\alpha\tau}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(\epsilon^{mn})_{\alpha\beta} = K (\epsilon^{mn})_{\beta\alpha} \quad \text{find } K$$

$$(\gamma^\mu)_{\alpha\beta}^{\alpha\beta} = \{4\} \text{ symmetric on } \alpha, \beta$$

$$\alpha, \beta = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

$$(\gamma^5)_{\alpha\beta}^{\alpha\beta} = \{1\} \text{ antisymmetric on } \alpha, \beta$$

$$M_{\alpha\beta} \quad \{16\} \quad (\gamma^5 \gamma^m)_{\alpha\beta} \quad \{4\} \quad \text{antisymmetric} .$$

$$\text{sym}(\alpha\beta) : \frac{4 \times 5}{2} = 10$$

$$\text{antisym}(\alpha\beta) : \frac{4x_3}{2} = 6$$

$$( )^{\alpha\beta} \quad (\delta^{mn})_{\alpha\beta} \quad \{ 6 \} \quad \text{symmetric}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{total \#} = 16 & \# \text{ of sym} : 4+6 = 10 \\ & \# \text{ of antisym} : 1+4+1 = 6 \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \gamma^m \gamma_m = 4 \mathbb{I}_4 \quad \text{recall: } \gamma_m = \eta_{mn} \gamma^n$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma_m = -2 \gamma^n$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \gamma^m \sigma_{pq} \gamma_m = 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \gamma^m \gamma^5 \gamma^n \gamma_m = 2 \gamma^5 \gamma^n$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \gamma^m \gamma^5 \gamma_m = -4 \gamma^5$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad \gamma^m \gamma_m &= \eta^{mn} \gamma_n \gamma_m & \text{hint: } \eta^{mn} = \eta^{nm} \\ &= \eta^{mn} \frac{1}{2} \left( \underbrace{\{\gamma_n, \gamma_m\}}_{2\eta_{nm} \mathbb{I}_4} + \underbrace{[\gamma_n, \gamma_m]}_{\eta^{nm}} \right) \\ &= \eta^{mn} \eta_{nm} \mathbb{I}_4 + \frac{1}{2} \eta^{mn} \gamma_n \gamma_m - \frac{1}{2} \eta^{mn} \gamma_m \gamma_n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (\eta^{00}\eta_{00} + \eta^{11}\eta_{11} + \eta^{22}\eta_{22} + \eta^{33}\eta_{33}) \mathbb{I}_4 + \frac{1}{2} \gamma^m \gamma_m - \frac{1}{2} \gamma^n \gamma_n \\
&= (1+1+1+1) \mathbb{I}_4 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \cancel{\gamma^0 \gamma_0 + \gamma^1 \gamma_1 + \gamma^2 \gamma_2 + \gamma^3 \gamma_3} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \cancel{\gamma^0 \gamma_0 - \gamma^1 \gamma_1 - \gamma^2 \gamma_2 - \gamma^3 \gamma_3} \right) \\
&= 4 \mathbb{I}_4
\end{aligned}$$

Aside:  $AB = \frac{1}{2} (\{A, B\} + [A, B])$

$$\begin{array}{c}
(\gamma^m)_\alpha \xrightarrow{\beta} \text{use } C_{\alpha\beta} \text{ to raise/lower} \\
\uparrow \\
\text{use } \eta^{mn} \text{ to raise/lower}
\end{array}$$

Clifford algebra (defining property of Gamma matrices)

$$\{ \gamma^m, \gamma^n \} = 2\eta^{mn} \mathbb{I} = \gamma^m \gamma^n + \gamma^n \gamma^m$$

$$\textcircled{2} \gamma^m \gamma_n \gamma_m : \text{ hint: we can use } \gamma^m \gamma_m = 4\mathbb{I}_4$$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma^m \gamma_n \gamma_m &= \gamma^m \left( 2\eta_{nm} \mathbb{I}_4 - \gamma_m \gamma_n \right) \\ &= 2\eta_{nm} \gamma^m - \gamma^m \gamma_m \gamma_n \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Clifford Algebra}} \\ &= 2\gamma_n - 4\mathbb{I}_4 \gamma_n = -2\gamma_n\end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \gamma^m \gamma_p \gamma_g \gamma_m = \gamma^m \frac{i}{2} [\gamma_p, \gamma_g] \gamma_m$$

$$= \frac{i}{2} \gamma^m (\gamma_p \gamma_g - \gamma_g \gamma_p) \gamma_m$$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma^m \gamma_p \gamma_g \gamma_m &= \gamma^m \gamma_p \left( 2\eta_{gm} \mathbb{I}_4 - \gamma_m \gamma_g \right) \\ &= 2\gamma_g \gamma_p - \underbrace{\gamma^m \gamma_p \gamma_m \gamma_g}_{\text{Clifford Algebra}}\end{aligned}$$

$$= 2\gamma_g \gamma_p + 2\gamma_p \gamma_g = 2\{\gamma_g, \gamma_p\} = 4\eta_{gp} \mathbb{I}_4$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma^m \gamma_{pg} \gamma_m = \frac{i}{2} (4\eta_{gp} \mathbb{I}_4 - 4\eta_{pg} \mathbb{I}_4) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \gamma^m \gamma^5 \gamma^n \gamma_m = - \underbrace{\gamma^5 \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma_m}_{=} = -\gamma^5 (-2\gamma^n) \\ = 2\gamma^5 \gamma^n$$

recall:  $\gamma^m \gamma^5 = -\gamma^5 \gamma^m$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \gamma^m \gamma^5 \gamma_m = -\gamma^5 \gamma^m \gamma_m = -\gamma^5 4\mathbb{I}_4 = -4\gamma^5$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma^5 &= i \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 = \frac{i}{4!} \epsilon_{mnpq} \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q \\
 &= \frac{i}{4!} \left( \epsilon_{0123} \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 + \underbrace{\epsilon_{1023} \gamma^1 \gamma^0 \gamma^2 \gamma^3}_{\text{}} \right. \\
 &\quad + \epsilon_{3012} \gamma^3 \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \\
 &\quad \left. + \epsilon_{2301} \gamma^2 \gamma^3 \gamma^0 \gamma^1 + \dots \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

- $\epsilon_{1023} \gamma^1 \gamma^0 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 = (-\epsilon_{0123})(-\gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3) = \epsilon_{0123} \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3$

★  $\gamma^m \gamma^n = -\gamma^n \gamma^m \quad (m \neq n)$

- similar calculations for all 24 terms.

$$\gamma_m \gamma^5 = \frac{i}{3!} \epsilon_{mnpq} \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_0 \gamma^5 &= \gamma_0 i \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 = i \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 = i \epsilon_{0123} \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 \\ &= \frac{i}{3!} \epsilon_{0mnp} \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_1 \gamma^5 &= i \gamma_1 \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 = -i \gamma^0 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 \\ &= \frac{i}{3!} \epsilon_{1mnp} \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \end{aligned}$$

Homework:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_m \sigma^{pq} - \sigma^{pq} \gamma_m &= 2i \left( \delta_m^p \gamma^q - \delta_m^q \gamma^p \right) \\ \Rightarrow -\frac{i}{2} \left( \gamma_m \sigma^{pq} - \sigma^{pq} \gamma_m \right) &= \delta_m^{[p} \gamma^{q]} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \Phi & -\sinh \Phi \\ -\sinh \Phi & \cosh \Phi \end{pmatrix} \quad \stackrel{\vee}{X} = \begin{pmatrix} ct \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\stackrel{\vee}{Y} = \Delta \stackrel{\vee}{X} = \begin{pmatrix} ct \cosh \Phi - z \sinh \Phi \\ -ct \sinh \Phi + z \cosh \Phi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\stackrel{\vee}{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{ct} \\ \tilde{z} \end{pmatrix} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \tilde{ct} = ct \cosh \Phi - z \sinh \Phi \\ \tilde{z} = -ct \sinh \Phi + z \cosh \Phi \end{cases}$$

suppose  $\Phi \ll 1$

$\sinh \Phi \rightarrow \Phi$	$\Phi$	$\begin{cases} \tilde{ct} = ct - z \Phi \\ \tilde{z} = z - ct \Phi \end{cases}$
$\cosh \Phi \rightarrow 1$		

Define  $\begin{cases} \Delta t \equiv \tilde{t} - t \\ \Delta z \equiv \tilde{z} - z \end{cases}$  then  $\begin{cases} c\Delta t = -\Phi z \\ \Delta z = -ct\Phi \end{cases} \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{cases} \Delta X^0 = -\Phi X^3 \\ \Delta X^3 = -\Phi X^0 \end{cases}}$

$$\Delta = \Phi L^{03}$$

$$-\frac{i}{2} \left( \gamma_m \sigma^{pq} - \sigma^{pq} \gamma_m \right) = S_m^{[p} \gamma^q]$$

$$\Delta^{pq} \gamma_m = -\frac{i}{2} [\gamma_m, \sigma^{pq}] = \frac{i}{2} [\sigma^{pq}, \gamma_m] = S_m^{[p} \gamma^q]$$

$$p=0, q=3, m=0$$

$$\Delta^{03} \gamma_0 = \gamma^3 \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\begin{cases} \Delta^{03} \gamma^0 = -\gamma^3 \\ \Delta^{03} \gamma^3 = -\gamma^0 \end{cases}}$$

$$p=0, q=3, m=3$$

$$\Delta^{03} \gamma_3 = -\gamma^0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\begin{cases} L^{03} X^0 = -X^3 \\ L^{03} X^3 = -X^0 \end{cases}}$$

blue v.s. red : different representations

If  $L^{03}$  is a <sup>infinitesimal</sup> Lorentz transformation acting on the spacetime coordinates,  
then  $\Delta^{03}$  must be the Lorentz transformation acting on the  $y^m$   
(this is why we claim that " $m$ " on  $y^m$  is the "vector index",  
it performs like  $x^m$  under the Lorentz transformation)

$$\Delta^{03} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \Phi & 0 & 0 & -\sinh \Phi \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sinh \Phi & 0 & 0 & \cosh \Phi \end{pmatrix} \quad \overset{\vee}{X} = \begin{pmatrix} ct \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \quad \Delta^{03} \overset{\vee}{X} = \overset{\vee}{y}$$

Lorentz transformation  
along  $z$ -axis

$$R^{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\alpha & -\sin\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \sin\alpha & \cos\alpha & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R^{12} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{x} \\ \hat{y} \\ \hat{z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{x} \\ \hat{y} \\ \hat{z} \end{pmatrix}$$

rotation about the  $\hat{z}$ -axis

$$R^{23} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos\gamma & -\sin\gamma \\ 0 & 0 & \sin\gamma & \cos\gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R^{31} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\beta & 0 & \sin\beta \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\sin\beta & 0 & \cos\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta^{01} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh\Phi & -\sinh\Phi & 0 & 0 \\ -\sinh\Phi & \cosh\Phi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Delta^{02} = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh\Phi & 0 & -\sinh\Phi & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sinh\Phi & 0 & \cosh\Phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

do the same analysis (taking  $\Phi \rightarrow 0$ ), find the generators,

match with  $[\gamma^p, \gamma_m]$



Lorentz generators.

$$\text{Recall: } \gamma^5 = i \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 = \frac{i}{4!} \epsilon_{mnpq} \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q$$

$$\gamma_m \gamma^5 = \frac{i}{3!} \epsilon_{mnpq} \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q$$

$$\frac{i}{2} \gamma^m [\gamma^p, \gamma^8] - \frac{i}{2} [\gamma^p, \gamma^8] \gamma^m \\ = 2i \eta^m [p \gamma^8]$$

now:  $\gamma^m [\gamma^p, \gamma^8] = ?$

$$\underbrace{\gamma^m \gamma^p \gamma^8}_{t} - \gamma^m \gamma^8 \gamma^p = \\ t = (2\eta^{mp} - \gamma^p \gamma^m) \gamma^8 = 2\eta^{mp} \gamma^8 - \gamma^p \gamma^m \gamma^8$$

Aside:  $\gamma_m \gamma^5 = \frac{i}{3!} \epsilon_{mnpq} \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^8$

multiply  $\epsilon^{mrst} \gamma_m \gamma^5 = \frac{i}{3!} \epsilon^{mrst} \epsilon_{mnpq} \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^8$   
 $= -\frac{i}{3!} S_n^{[r} S_p^s S_q^{t]} \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^8$

$$= -\frac{i}{3!} \gamma^r \gamma^s \gamma^t$$

$$= -\frac{i}{3!} \left\{ \gamma^r \gamma^s \gamma^t - \underbrace{\gamma^r \gamma^t \gamma^s}_{\gamma^t \gamma^s \gamma^r} + \gamma^t \gamma^r \gamma^s - \underbrace{\gamma^t \gamma^s \gamma^r}_{\gamma^s \gamma^t \gamma^r} + \gamma^s \gamma^t \gamma^r - \underbrace{\gamma^s \gamma^r \gamma^t} \right\}$$

using  
Clifford algebra

$$= -\frac{i}{3!} \left\{ \gamma^r \gamma^s \gamma^t - \underbrace{\gamma^r \gamma^{ts}}_{+ \dots} + \gamma^r \gamma^s \gamma^t \right.$$

→ bring all other 5  
terms to  $\gamma^r \gamma^s \gamma^t$   
+  $\eta$ 's

$$\epsilon^{mrst} \gamma_m \gamma^s = -i \left\{ \gamma^r \gamma^s \gamma^t - \eta^{ts} \gamma^r + \eta^{rt} \gamma^s - \eta^{rs} \gamma^t \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\gamma^r \gamma^s \gamma^t = i \epsilon^{mrst} \gamma_m \gamma^s + \eta^{ts} \gamma^r - \eta^{rt} \gamma^s + \eta^{rs} \gamma^t}$$

$$\gamma^m \gamma^p \gamma^s = i \epsilon^{nmpq} \gamma_n \gamma^s + \eta^{ps} \gamma^m - \eta^{ms} \gamma^p + \eta^{mp} \gamma^s$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma^m [\gamma^p, \gamma^s] &= \gamma^m \gamma^{[p} \gamma^{s]} \\ &= i \epsilon^{nm[pq]} \gamma_n \gamma^s + \cancel{\eta^{pq}}^{\uparrow} \gamma^m - 2 \eta^{m[q} \gamma^{p]} \\ &\quad + \cancel{\eta^{m[p} \gamma^{q]}}^{\Downarrow} \quad \eta^{ps} - \eta^{sp} = \eta^{ps} - \eta^{ps} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2i \epsilon^{nmpq} \gamma_n \gamma^s + 2 \eta^{m[p} \gamma^{s]}$$

Homework:

- ①  $\gamma^s [\gamma^p, \gamma^q] = ?$
- ②  $[\gamma^p, \gamma^q] \gamma^m = ?$

Aside: 2D Euclidean space.  $\epsilon^{12} = 1, \epsilon^{21} = -1, \text{others} = 0$

$$\epsilon^{ij}, \quad \epsilon^{ij} \epsilon_{kl} = c \left( \delta_k^i \delta_l^j - \delta_l^i \delta_k^j \right)$$

$i, j, k, l = 1, 2$

choose:  $i = k \neq j = l$

$$\text{LHS} = 1 \quad \text{RHS} = c \quad \Rightarrow \quad c = 1$$

2D Minkowski space  $\epsilon^{mn}$   $\eta^{mn} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\epsilon^{mn} \epsilon_{pq} = c \left( \delta_p^m \delta_q^n - \delta_q^m \delta_p^n \right)$$

$m, n, p, q = 0, 1$

choose  $m = p = 0$ ,  $n = q = 1$

$$\epsilon^{01} = 1$$

$$LHS = \epsilon^{01} \epsilon_{01} = -1$$

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_{01} &= \epsilon^{01} \eta_{00} \eta_{11} \\ &= -1\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon^{mn} \epsilon_{pq} = - \delta_p^m \delta_q^n$$

Homework : 4D Minkowski

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \epsilon^{mnpq} \epsilon_{rstu} = - \delta_r^m \delta_s^n \delta_t^p \delta_u^q$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \epsilon^{mnpq} \epsilon_{mrst} = - \delta_r^m \delta_s^n \delta_t^p$$

recall:  $\text{Tr}[\Gamma^a \Gamma^b] = 2\delta^{ab}$

for matrices, inner product of A and B as  $\text{Tr}(AB)$

### Trace properties of gamma matrices

①  $\text{Tr}(\gamma^m) = 0$  :  $\text{Tr}(\gamma^m) = (\gamma^m)_\alpha{}^\alpha = \sum_{\alpha=1}^4 (\gamma^m)_\alpha{}^\alpha$

★  $\text{Tr}(P \otimes Q) = \text{Tr}(P) \text{Tr}(Q)$

②  $\text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n) = \text{Tr}(\gamma^n \gamma^m) = 4\eta^{mn}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n + \gamma^n \gamma^m) &= \text{Tr}\left(2\eta^{mn} \mathbb{I}_4\right) = 2\eta^{mn} \cdot 4 \\ &= 2 \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 ③ \quad & \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p) = \text{Tr}(\gamma^p \gamma^m \gamma^n) \\
 &= \text{Tr}\left(2\eta^{pm} \gamma^n - \gamma^m \gamma^p \gamma^n\right) \\
 &= \text{Tr}(2\eta^{pm} \gamma^n) - \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^p \gamma^n) \\
 &= -\text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^p \gamma^n) = -\text{Tr}\left(\gamma^m 2\eta^{pn} - \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p\right) \\
 &= \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Tr}(ABC) \\
 &= \text{Tr}(BCA) \\
 &= \text{Tr}(CAB)
 \end{aligned}$$

hint:

- $(\gamma^5)^2 = \mathbb{I}$
- $\gamma^5 \gamma^m = -\gamma^m \gamma^5$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p) &= \text{Tr}(\gamma^5 \gamma^5 \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p) = -\text{Tr}(\gamma^5 \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^5) \\
 &= -\text{Tr}(\gamma^5 \gamma^5 \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p) = -\text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \text{Tr}(\gamma^{m_1} \gamma^{m_2} \dots \gamma^{m_p}) = 0$$

$p$  is odd

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q)$$

idea:  $\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q$

$\xrightarrow{\text{Clifford algebra}}$   $-\gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q \gamma^m + \dots$

$\xrightarrow{\text{cyclic property}}$   $-\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q + \dots$

↑ same

$\Rightarrow 2 \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q) = \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q) &= \text{Tr}\left((2\eta^{mn} \mathbb{I}_4 - \gamma^n \gamma^m) \gamma^p \gamma^q\right) = \text{Tr}(2\eta^{mn} \gamma^p \gamma^q) \\ - \text{Tr}(\gamma^n \gamma^m \gamma^p \gamma^q) &= \text{Tr}(2\eta^{mn} \gamma^p \gamma^q) - \text{Tr}\left(\gamma^n (2\eta^{mp} \mathbb{I}_4 - \gamma^p \gamma^m) \gamma^q\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q) - \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q) + \text{Tr}(\gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^m \gamma^q) \\
&= 2\eta^{mn} 4\eta^{pq} - 2\eta^{mp} 4\eta^{nq} + \text{Tr}(\gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^m \gamma^q) - \text{Tr}(\gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q \gamma^m) \\
\Rightarrow 2\text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q) &= 8\eta^{mn} \eta^{pq} - 8\eta^{mp} \eta^{nq} + 8\eta^{mq} \eta^{np}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p \gamma^q) = 4(\eta^{mn} \eta^{pq} - \eta^{mp} \eta^{nq} + \eta^{mq} \eta^{np})$$

⑥  $\text{Tr}(\gamma^5) = 0$

method 1: explicit tensor product  $\gamma^5$   
 method 2: use  $\gamma^5 = i\gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 + \text{c.c.}$

method 3:  $\text{Tr}(\gamma^5) = \text{Tr}(\gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3) = \dots = 0$

⑦  $\text{Tr}(\gamma^5 \gamma^m) = -\text{Tr}(\gamma^m \gamma^5) = -\text{Tr}(\gamma^5 \gamma^m) = 0$

$\gamma^5 \gamma^m = -\gamma^m \gamma^5$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad \text{Tr}(\gamma^s \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^p) = 0$$

generalization:  $\text{Tr}(\gamma^s \gamma^{m_1} \cdots \gamma^{m_p}) = 0$   
p is odd.

$$\textcircled{9} \quad \text{Tr}(\gamma^s \gamma^m \gamma^n) = \text{Tr}\left(\gamma^\alpha \gamma^\alpha \gamma^s \gamma^m \gamma^n\right) = (-)^3 \text{Tr}(\gamma^\alpha \gamma^s \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^\alpha)$$

$\alpha \neq m, n$

$$(\text{cyclic}) = \text{Tr}(\gamma^\alpha \gamma^s \gamma^m \gamma^n \gamma^\alpha) = 0$$

Summary:  $(\gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta$ ,  $(\gamma^5)_\alpha^\beta$ ,  $S_\alpha^\beta$ ,  $(\gamma^5 \gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta$ ,  $(\sigma^{mn})_\alpha^\beta$

$$(\gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta (\gamma^n)_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$S_\alpha^\beta (\gamma^5 \gamma^m)_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$(\gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta (\gamma^5)_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$S_\alpha^\beta (\sigma^{mn})_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$(\gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta S_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$(\gamma^5 \gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta (\sigma^{pq})_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$(\gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta (\gamma^5 \gamma^n)_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$(\gamma^m)_\alpha^\beta (\sigma^{pq})_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$(\gamma^5)_\alpha^\beta S_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$(\gamma^5)_\alpha^\beta (\gamma^5 \gamma^m)_\beta^\alpha =$$

$$(\gamma^5)_\alpha^\beta (\sigma^{pq})_\beta^\alpha =$$

