

## Problems in Supersymmetry

### Sheet 2

#### Problem 7: Fermionic vs. Clifford algebra

Show that the fermionic creation/annihilation algebra  $\{b_i, b_j^\dagger\} = \delta_{ij}$  with  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$  is equivalent to the Clifford algebra in  $D = 2n$  dimensions and that the Fock space representation provides a irreducible representation with  $\gamma_{2i-1} = b_i + b_i^\dagger$  and  $\gamma_{2i} = i(b_i - b_i^\dagger)$ . Note that Lorentz-Transformations transform bosonic/fermionic states into themselves so that even/odd subspaces correspond to Weyl-spinors.

#### Problem 8: Lorentz algebra III

Define the following 6 matrices  $M_{\mu\nu}$ :

$$(M_{\mu\nu})_{\alpha\beta} = -i(\eta_{\mu\alpha}\eta_{\nu\beta} - \eta_{\mu\beta}\eta_{\nu\alpha}).$$

and calculate the commutators

$$[M_{\mu\nu}, M_{\alpha\beta}].$$

Repeat the same calculations for

$$L_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{i}(x_\mu\partial_\nu - x_\nu\partial_\mu) \text{ and } S_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4i}[\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu].$$

What do these results tell you?

#### Problem 9: Noether charges for Lorentz-Transformations

Calculate the Noether charges for Lorentz-Transformations,

$$\Phi(x) \longrightarrow S\Phi(\Lambda^{-1}x) = e^{\frac{i}{2}(\omega, S)}\Phi\left(e^{-\frac{i}{2}(\omega, M)}x\right).$$

#### Problem 10: Conserved current for Dirac field

The Lagrangian density for the Dirac field is  $\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}(i\cancel{\partial} - m)\psi$ . Prove, that

- $\mathcal{L}$  is invariant under phase transformation of  $\psi$ . Calculate the Noether current.
- For  $m = 0$  the density  $\mathcal{L}$  is invariant under chiral rotations  $\psi \rightarrow e^{i\alpha\gamma_5}\psi$ . Calculate the Noether current.