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The linear particle–antiparticle conjugation C and position space reflection P as well as the antilinear time reflection T are shown to be inducible by the self-duality of representations for the operation groups SU(2), $SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$, and \mathbb{R} for spin, Lorentz transformations, and time translations, respectively. The definition of a color-compatible linear CP-reflection for quarks as self-duality induced is impossible since triplet and antitriplet SU(3)-representations are not linearly equivalent.

1. REFLECTIONS

1.1. Reflections

A reflection will be defined to be an involution of a finite-dimensional vector space V

$$V \stackrel{R}{\leftrightarrow} V, \qquad R \circ R = \mathrm{id}_V \Leftrightarrow R = R^{-1}$$

i.e., a realization of the parity group² $\mathbb{I}(2) = \{\pm 1\}$ in the V-bijections which is linear for a real space and may be linear or antilinear for a complex space

$$R(v + w) = R(v) + R(w), \qquad R(\alpha v) = \begin{cases} \alpha R(v) & \text{for } \alpha \in \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C} \text{ (linear)} \\ \overline{\alpha} R(v) & \text{for } \alpha \in \mathbb{C} \text{ (antilinear)} \end{cases}$$

An antilinear reflection for a complex space $V \cong \mathbb{C}^n$ is a real linear one for its real forms $V \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n}$.

The inversion of the real numbers $\alpha \leftrightarrow -\alpha$ is the simplest nontrivial linear reflection, and the canonical conjugation $\alpha \leftrightarrow \overline{\alpha}$ is the simplest nontrivial

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²Since the parity group is used as multiplicative group, I do not use the additive notation $\mathbb{Z}_2 = \{0, 1\}$.

antilinear one, being a linear one of \mathbb{C} considered as real 2-dimensional space $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{R} \oplus i\mathbb{R}$.

Any (anti)linear isomorphism $\iota: V \to W$ of two vector spaces defines an (anti)linear reflection of the direct sum

$$V \oplus W \stackrel{\iota \oplus \iota^{-1}}{\longleftrightarrow} V \oplus W$$

which will be denoted in brief also by $V \stackrel{\iota}{\leftrightarrow} W$.

1.2. Mirrors

The fixpoints of a linear reflection $V_R^+ = \{v | R(v) = v\}$, i.e., the elements with even parity, in an *n*-dimensional space constitute a vector subspace, the mirror for the reflection *R*, with dimension $0 \le m \le n$, with the complement $V_R^- = \{v | R(v) = -v\}$, i.e., the elements with odd parity, for the direct decomposition $V = V_R^+ \oplus V_R^-$. The central reflection $R = -id_V$ has the origin as a 0-dimensional mirror. Linear reflections are diagonalizable,

$$R \cong \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_m & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbf{1}_{n-m} \end{pmatrix}$$

with (m, n - m) the signature characterizing the degeneracy of ± 1 in the spectrum of *R*. Conversely, any direct decomposition $V = V^+ \oplus V^-$ defines two reflections with the mirror either V^+ or V^- .

With $(\det R)^2 = 1$ any linear reflection has either a positive or a negative orientation. Looking in a 2-dimensional bathroom mirror is formalized by the negatively oriented 3-space reflection $(x, y, z) \leftrightarrow (-x, y, z)$. The position-space \mathbb{R}^3 reflection $\vec{x} \stackrel{-\mathbf{1}_3}{\leftrightarrow} -\vec{x}$ with negative orientation or the Minkowski spacetime translation \mathbb{R}^4 reflection $x \stackrel{-\mathbf{1}_4}{\leftrightarrow} -x$ with positive orientation are central reflections with the origins 'here' and 'here-now' as point mirrors. A space reflection $(x_0, \vec{x}) \stackrel{P}{\leftrightarrow} (x_0, -\vec{x})$ in Minkowski space or a time reflection $(x_0, \vec{x}) \stackrel{P}{\leftrightarrow} (-x_0, \vec{x})$ both have negative orientation with a 1-dimensional time and 3-dimensional position space mirror, respectively.

1.3. Reflections in Orthogonal Groups

A real linear reflection

$$R \cong \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_m & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{1}_{n-m} \end{pmatrix}$$

can be considered to be an element of an orthogonal group O(p, q) for any³

³The orthogonal signature (p, q) has nothing to do with the reflection signature (n, m).

(p, q) with p + q = n. A positively oriented reflection, det R = 1, is an element even of the special orthogonal groups, $R \in SO(p, q)$, $p + q \ge 1$.

Orthogonal groups have discrete (semi)direct factor parity subgroups $\mathbb{I}(2)$, as seen in the simplest compact and noncompact examples

$$\mathbf{O}(2) \ni \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \cos \alpha & \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \in \mathbb{I}(2) = \{ \pm 1 \}, \quad \alpha \in [0, 2\pi]$$
$$\mathbf{O}(1,1) \ni \boldsymbol{\epsilon}' \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \cosh \beta & \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sinh \beta \\ \sinh \beta & \cosh \beta \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}' \in \mathbb{I}(2), \quad \beta \in \mathbb{R}$$

In general, the classes of a real orthogonal group with respect to its special normal subgroup constitute a reflection group

$$\mathbf{O}(p, q) / \mathbf{SO}(p, q) \cong \mathbb{I}(2)$$

For real, odd-dimensional spaces *V*, e.g., for position space \mathbb{R}^3 , one has direct products of the special groups with the central reflection group, whereas for even-dimensional spaces, e.g., a Minkowski space \mathbb{R}^4 , there arise semidirect products (denoted by \times) of the special group with a reflection group which can be generated by any negatively oriented reflection,

$$\mathbf{O}(p, q) \cong \begin{cases} \mathbb{I}(2) \times \mathbf{SO}(p, q), & p+q=1, 3, \dots, \\ & \mathbb{I}(2) \cong \{\pm \mathrm{id}_V\} \\ \mathbb{I}(2) \overrightarrow{\times} \mathbf{SO}(p, q), & p+q=2, 4, \dots \\ & \mathbb{I}(2) \cong \{R, \mathrm{id}_V\} \text{ with det } R = -1 \end{cases}$$

In the semidirect case the product is given as follows:

$$(I, \Lambda) \in \mathbb{I}(2) \times \mathbf{SO}(p, q) \Rightarrow (I_1, \Lambda_1)(I_2, \Lambda_2) = (I_1 \circ I_2, \Lambda_1 \circ I_1 \circ \Lambda_2 \circ I_1)$$

Obviously, in the semidirect case the reflection group $\mathbb{I}(2)$ is not compatible with the action of the (special) orthogonal group,

$$p + q = 2, 4, \dots, \quad \det R = -1 \Rightarrow [R, \mathbf{SO}(p, q)] \neq \{0\}$$

For example, the group O(2) is nonabelian, or a space reflection and a time reflection of Minkowski space is not Lorentz group SO(1, 3)-compatible.

For noncompact orthogonal groups there is another discrete reflection group: The connected subgroup G_0 (unit connection component and Lie algebra exponent) of a Lie group G is normal with a discrete quotient group G/G_0 . The connected components of the full orthogonal groups are those of the special groups $\mathbf{O}_0(p, q) = \mathbf{SO}_0(p, q)$. For the compact case they are the special groups; for the noncompact ones, one has two components

$$\mathbf{SO}_0(n) = \mathbf{SO}(n)$$
$$pq \ge 1 \implies \mathbf{SO}(p, q) / \mathbf{SO}_0(p, q) \cong \mathbb{I}(2)$$

Summarizing: A compact orthogonal group gives rise to a reflection group $\mathbb{I}(2)$,

$$\mathbf{O}(n) \cong \begin{cases} \{\pm \mathbf{1}_n\} \times \mathbf{SO}(n), & n = 1, 3, \dots \\ \mathbb{I}(2) \xrightarrow{\times} \mathbf{SO}(n), & n = 2, 4, \dots \end{cases}$$

with $\mathbb{I}(2) \cong \{R, \mathbf{1}_n\}, \quad \det R = -1$

a noncompact one to a reflection Klein group $\mathbb{I}(2) \times \mathbb{I}(2)$,

$$pq \ge 1: \mathbf{O}(p, q) \cong \begin{cases} \{\pm \mathbf{1}_{p+q}\} \times [\mathbb{I}(2) \times \mathbf{SO}_0(p, q)], & p+q=3, 5, \dots \\ \mathbb{I}(2) \times [\{\pm \mathbf{1}_{p+q}\} \times \mathbf{SO}_0(p, q)], & p+q=2, 4, \dots \end{cases}$$

with
$$\mathbb{I}(2) \cong \{R, \mathbf{1}_n\}, \quad \det R = -1$$

For a noncompact $\mathbf{O}(p, q)$ with p = 1 the connected subgroup is the orthochronous group, compatible with the order on the vector space $V \cong \mathbb{R}^{1+q}$, e.g., for Minkowski spacetime

$$\mathbf{O}(1,3) \cong \mathbb{I}(2) \times [\mathbb{I}(2) \times \mathbf{SO}_0(1,3)]$$

where the reflection Klein group can be generated by the central reflection -1_4 and a position-space reflection P

$$\mathbb{I}(2) \times \mathbb{I}(2) \cong \{P, \mathbf{1}_4\} \times \{\pm \mathbf{1}_4\} = \{\pm \mathbf{1}_4, \mathsf{P}, \mathsf{T} = -\mathsf{P}\}, \\ [\mathbf{SO}_0(1, 3), \mathsf{P}] \neq \{0\} \\ P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbf{1}_3 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad T = -\mathbf{1}_4 \circ P = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{1}_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Also, the connected subgroup $\mathbf{SO}_0(p, q)$ may contain positively oriented reflections, which are called continuous since they can be written as exponentials $R = e^l$ with an element of the orthogonal Lie algebra,⁴ $l \in \log \mathbf{SO}_0(p, q)$, e.g., the central reflections $-\mathbf{1}_{2n} \in \mathbf{SO}(2n)$ in even-dimensional Euclidean spaces, e.g., in the Euclidean 2-plane. A negatively oriented reflection R of a space V can be embedded as a reflection $R \oplus S$ with any orientation of a strictly higher dimensional space $V \oplus W$,

$$V \stackrel{R}{\leftrightarrow} V$$
, det $R = -1$
 $V \oplus W \stackrel{R \oplus S}{\leftrightarrow} V \oplus W$, det $(R \oplus S) = -$ det S

 $^{4}\log G$ denotes the Lie algebra of the Lie group G.

where, for compact orthogonal groups on V and $V \oplus W$, a reflection $R \oplus S$ with det S = -1 is a continuous reflection, i.e., a rotation. There are familiar examples [2] for $O(n) \hookrightarrow SO(n + 1)$: Two L-shaped noodles lying with opposite helicity on a kitchen table can be 3-space-rotated into each other, or a left- and a right-handed glove are identical up to Euclidean 4-space rotations. The embedding of the central position-space reflection into Minkowski spacetime can go into a positively or negatively oriented reflection which are both not continuous, i.e., they are in the discrete Klein reflection group

$$-\mathbf{1}_3 \hookrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \pm 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbf{1}_3 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \{P, -\mathbf{1}_4\} \subset \mathbf{O}(1, 3)/\mathbf{SO}_0(1, 3)$$

2. REFLECTIONS FOR SPINORS

The doubly connected groups SO(3) and $SO_0(1, 3)$ can be complex represented via their simply connected covering groups SU(2) and $SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$,⁵ respectively,

$$SO(3) \cong SU(2)/\{\pm \mathbf{1}_2\}, \qquad SO_0(1, 3) \cong SL(\mathbb{C}^2)/\{\pm \mathbf{1}_2\}$$

The reflection group $\{\pm \mathbf{1}_2\}$ for the **SO**(3)-classes in **SU**(2) and the **SO**₀(1, 3)classes in $SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$ contains the continuous central \mathbb{C}^2 -reflection $-\mathbf{1}_2$ = $e^{i\pi\sigma_3} \in \mathbf{SU}(2).$

2.1. The Pauli Spinor Reflection

The fundamental defining SU(2)-representation for the rotations acts on Pauli spinors $W \cong \mathbb{C}^2$,

$$u = e^{\vec{\alpha}\vec{\sigma}} \in \mathbf{SU}(2)$$
 (Pauli matrices $\vec{\sigma}$)

They have an invariant antisymmetric bilinear form (spinor 'metric')

$$\epsilon$$
: $W \times W \to \mathbb{C}$, $\epsilon(\psi^A, \psi^B) = \epsilon^{AB} = -\epsilon^{BA}$, $A, B = 1, 2$

which defines an isomorphism with the dual⁶ space $W^T \cong \mathbb{C}^2$ which is compatible with the SU(2)-action—on the dual space as dual representation \vec{u} (inverse transposed)

⁵Throughout this paper the group **SL**(\mathbb{C}^2) is used as *real* 6-dimensional Lie group. ⁶The linear forms V^T of a vector space V define the dual product $V^T \times V \to \mathbb{C}$ by (ω, ν) = $\omega(v)$ and dual bases by $\langle e_j, e^k \rangle = \delta_j^k$. Transposed mappings $f: V \to W$ are denoted by $f^T: W^T \to V^T$ with $\langle f^T(\omega), v \rangle = \langle \omega, f(v) \rangle$.

 ϵ connects the two Pauli representations with reflected transformations of the spin Lie algebra log SU(2), i.e., it defines a central reflection for the three compact rotation parameters $\vec{\alpha}$,

$$e^{i\vec{\alpha}\vec{\sigma}} \stackrel{\epsilon}{\leftrightarrow} (e^{-i\vec{\alpha}\vec{\sigma}})^T$$

$$\vec{i\alpha\sigma} \in \log \mathbf{SU}(2) \cong \mathbb{R}^3, \qquad \vec{\alpha} \stackrel{\epsilon}{\leftrightarrow} -\vec{\alpha}$$

and will be called the Pauli spinor reflection

$$W \stackrel{\epsilon}{\leftrightarrow} W^T$$
, $\psi^A \leftrightarrow \epsilon^{AB} \psi^*_B$, $[\epsilon, \mathbf{SU}(2)] = \{0\}$

The mathematical structure of self-duality as a reflection generating mechnism is given in the Appendix.

2.2. Reflections C and P for Weyl Spinors

The two fundamental **SL** (\mathbb{C}^2)-representations for the Lorentz group are the the left- and right-handed Weyl representations on vector spaces W_L , $W_R \cong \mathbb{C}^2$ with the dual representations on the linear forms $W_{L,R}^T$,

left:
$$\lambda = e^{(i\vec{\alpha} + \vec{\beta})\vec{\alpha}} \in \mathbf{SL}(\mathbb{C}^2)$$
, right: $\hat{\lambda} = \lambda^{-1^*} = e^{(i\vec{\alpha} - \vec{\beta})\vec{\sigma}}$
left dual: $\check{\lambda} = \lambda^{-1T} = [e^{(-i\vec{\alpha} - \vec{\beta})\vec{\sigma}}]^T$, right dual: $\lambda^{T^*} = \bar{\lambda} = [e^{(-i\vec{\alpha} + \vec{\beta})\vec{\sigma}}]^T$

The Weyl representations with dual bases in the conventional notations with dotted and undotted indices 7

left:
$$l^A \in W_L \cong \mathbb{C}^2$$
, right: $r^A \in W_R \cong \mathbb{C}^2$

left dual: $r_A^* \in W_L^T \cong \mathbb{C}^2$, right dual: $l_A^* \in W_R^T \cong \mathbb{C}^2$

are self-dual with the $SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$ -invariant volume form on \mathbb{C}^2 , i.e., the dual isomorphisms are Lorentz-compatible,

For the Lorentz group the spinor 'metric' will prove to be related to the

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⁷The usual strange-looking crossover association of the letters l* and r* for right- and lefthanded dual spinors, respectively, will be discussed later.

particle–antiparticle conjugation, and will be called *Weyl spinor reflection*, denoted by $C \in {\epsilon_L, \epsilon_R}$,

$$\begin{split} W_L &\stackrel{c}{\leftrightarrow} W_L^T, \qquad l^A \leftrightarrow \epsilon^{AB} r_B^* \\ W_R &\stackrel{c}{\leftrightarrow} W_R^T, \qquad r^A \leftrightarrow \epsilon^{\dot{A}\dot{B}} l_B^* \end{split}$$

There exist isomorphisms δ between left- and right-handed Weyl spinors, compatible with the spin group action, but not with the Lorentz group **SL**(\mathbb{C}^2),

$$\begin{array}{cccc} W_L & \stackrel{u_L}{\to} & W_L \\ \delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \delta \\ W_R & \stackrel{u_R}{\to} & W_R \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} u_{L,R} = e^{i\vec{\alpha}\vec{\sigma}} \in \mathbf{SU}(2) \\ \mathbf{1}^A \leftrightarrow \delta^A_A \mathbf{r}^{\dot{A}} \end{array}$$

They connect representations with a reflected boost transformation, i.e., they define a central reflection for the three noncompact boost parameters $\vec{\beta}$,

$$e^{(i\vec{\alpha} + \vec{\beta})\vec{\sigma}} \stackrel{\delta}{\leftrightarrow} e^{(i\vec{\alpha} - \vec{\beta})\vec{\sigma}}$$
$$\vec{\sigma} \vec{\beta} \in \log \mathbf{SL}(\mathbb{C}^2) / \log \mathbf{SU}(2) \cong \mathbb{R}^3, \qquad \vec{\beta} \stackrel{\delta}{\leftrightarrow} - \vec{\beta}$$

These isomorphisms induce nontrivial reflections of the Dirac spinors $\Psi \in W_L \oplus W_R \cong \mathbb{C}^4$,

with the chiral representation of the Dirac matrices

$$\gamma^j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \check{\sigma}^j \\ \check{\sigma}^j & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma^j = (\mathbf{1}_2, \vec{\sigma}), \quad \check{\sigma}^j = (\mathbf{1}_2, -\vec{\sigma})$$

and will be called *Weyl spinor boost reflections* $P = \delta$, later used for the central *position-space reflection* representation,

$$W_{L} \stackrel{\mathsf{P}}{\leftrightarrow} W_{R}, \qquad l^{A} \leftrightarrow \delta^{A}_{A} \mathbf{r}^{\dot{A}}$$
$$W_{L}^{T} \stackrel{\mathsf{P}}{\leftrightarrow} W_{R}^{T}, \qquad \mathbf{r}^{*}_{A} \leftrightarrow \delta^{\dot{A}}_{A} \mathbf{l}^{*}_{A}$$

Therewith all four Weyl spinor spaces are connected to each other by linear reflections,

$$\begin{array}{cccc} W_L & \stackrel{\mathsf{P}}{\leftrightarrow} & W_R \\ \mathsf{C} & \uparrow & \uparrow & \mathsf{C} \\ W_L^T & \stackrel{\mathsf{P}}{\leftrightarrow} & W_R^T \\ \end{array} & \begin{bmatrix} \mathsf{P}, \operatorname{SL}(\mathbb{C}^2) \end{bmatrix} \neq \{0\}, & [\mathsf{P}, \operatorname{SU}(2)] = \{0\} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \mathsf{C}, \operatorname{SL}(\mathbb{C}^2) \end{bmatrix} = \{0\} \end{array}$$

3. TIME REFLECTION

The time representations define the antilinear reflection T for time translation. The different duality with respect to $SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$ and Lorentz group representations, on the one hand and time representations, on the other hand, leads to the nontrivial C, P, T cooperation.

3.1. Reflection T of Time Translations

The irreducible time representations, familiar from the quantum mechanical harmonic oscillator with time action eigenvalue (frequency) ω , with their duals (inverse transposed), are complex 1-dimensional,

$$t \mapsto e^{i\omega t} \in \mathbf{GL}(U), \quad t \mapsto e^{-i\omega t} \in \mathbf{GL}(U^T), \quad U \cong \mathbb{C} \cong U^T$$

They are self-dual (equivalent) with an antilinear dual isomorphism which is the U(1)-conjugation for a dual basis $u \in U$, $u^* \in U^T$,

$$\begin{array}{cccc} U & \stackrel{e^{t \omega t}}{\to} & U \\ * \downarrow & & \downarrow *, \\ U^T & \stackrel{\rightarrow}{e^{-i \omega t}} & U^T \end{array} \quad \mathbf{u} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{u}^*$$

The antilinear isomorphism * defines a scalar product which gives rise to the quantum mechanical probability amplitudes (Fock state for the harmonic oscillator)

$$U \times U \to \mathbb{C}, \quad \langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{u} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{u}^*, \mathbf{u} \rangle = 1$$

and defines the *time reflection* T = * for the time translations

$$e^{i\omega t} \stackrel{\mathsf{T}}{\leftrightarrow} e^{-i\omega t}, \qquad t \stackrel{\mathsf{T}}{\leftrightarrow} - t$$

3.2. Lorentz Duality versus Time Duality

As anticipated in the conventional, on first sight strange-looking, dual Weyl spinor notation, e.g., $1 \in W_L$ and $1^* \in W_R^T$, the Weyl spinor spaces $W_{L,R}^T$ with the dual left- and right-handed $\mathbf{SL}(\mathbb{C}^2)$ -representations are not the spaces with the dual time representations as exemplified in the harmonic analysis of the left- and right-handed components in a Dirac field,

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$$\begin{split} \mathbf{l}^{A}(x) &= \int \frac{d^{3}q}{(2\pi)^{3}} s\left(\frac{q}{m}\right)_{C}^{A} \frac{e^{xiq}\mathbf{u}^{C}(\vec{q}) + e^{-xiq}a^{*C}(\vec{q})}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \mathbf{l}^{*}_{A}(x) &= \int \frac{d^{3}q}{(2\pi)^{3}} s^{*}\left(\frac{q}{m}\right)_{A}^{C} \frac{e^{-xiq}u_{C}^{*}(\vec{q}) + e^{xiq}a_{C}(\vec{q})}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \mathbf{r}^{A}(x) &= \int \frac{d^{3}q}{(2\pi)^{3}} s^{*-1}\left(\frac{q}{m}\right)_{C}^{A} \frac{e^{xiq}u^{C}(\vec{q}) - e^{-xiq}a^{*C}(\vec{q})}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \mathbf{r}^{*}_{A}(x) &= \int \frac{d^{3}q}{(2\pi)^{3}} s^{-1}\left(\frac{q}{m}\right)_{A}^{C} \frac{e^{-xiq}u_{C}^{*}(\vec{q}) - e^{xiq}a_{C}(\vec{q})}{\sqrt{2}} \\ s\left(\frac{q}{m}\right) &= \sqrt{\frac{q_{0} + m}{2m}} \left(\mathbf{1} + \frac{\vec{\sigma}\vec{q}}{q_{0} + m}\right), \qquad q = (q_{0}, \vec{q}), \qquad q_{0} = \sqrt{m^{2} + \vec{q}^{2}} \end{split}$$

Here, $s(q/m) \in \mathbf{SL}(\mathbb{C}^2)$ is the Weyl representation of the boost from the rest system of the particle to a frame moving with velocity \vec{q}/q_0 (solution of the Dirac equation), u^C and a_C are the creation operators for particles and antiparticles with spin 1/2 and opposite charge number ± 1 and third spin direction, e.g., for electron and positron, u_C^* and a^{*C} are the corresponding annihilation operators.

Here, * denotes the time representation dual $U \leftrightarrow U^*$, and *T* the Lorentz representation dual $W \leftrightarrow W^T$ (with spinor indices up and down), i:e., for the four types of Weyl spinors

$$l^{A} \in W_{L} \qquad \xleftarrow{\text{time dual}} \qquad l^{*}_{A} \in W_{R}^{T} = W_{L}^{*}$$
Lorentz dual $\uparrow \qquad \uparrow$ Lorentz dual $\uparrow \qquad \uparrow$ Lorentz dual $r^{*}_{A} \in W_{L}^{T} = W_{R}^{*} \qquad \xleftarrow{\text{time dual}} \qquad r^{\dot{A}} \in W_{R}$

Time representation duality does not coincide with Lorentz group representation duality.

The antilinear time reflection [U(1)-conjugation] T = * is compatible with the action of the little group SU(2), not with the full Lorentz group,

3.3. The Cooperation of C, P, T in the Lorentz Group

It is useful to summarize the action of the linear Weyl spinor reflections C (particle–antiparticle conjugation) and P (position-space central reflection) and the antilinear time reflection T in the two types of commuting diagrams

with the compatibilities

$$[C, SL(\mathbb{C}^2)] = \{0\}, \quad [P \text{ and } T, SL(\mathbb{C}^2)] \neq \{0\}, \quad [P \text{ and } T, SU(2)] = \{0\}$$
$$[C, P] = 0, \quad [C, T] = 0, \quad [P, T] = 0$$

The product **CPT** is an antilinear reflection of each Weyl spinor space, e.g., for the left-handed spinors

$$W_L \stackrel{\mathsf{CPT}}{\leftrightarrow} W_L, \qquad l^A \leftrightarrow \delta^A_A \epsilon^{\dot{A}\dot{B}} \delta_{\dot{B}B} l^B$$

involving an element of the group $SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$, even of SU(2),

$$\mathsf{CPT} \sim \delta^A_A \epsilon^{\dot{A}\dot{B}} \delta_{\dot{B}B} = u^A_B \cong \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = e^{i\pi\sigma_2/2} \in \mathbf{SU}(2) \subset \mathbf{SL}(\mathbb{C}^2)$$

This element gives, in the used basis, for the Lorentz group a π -rotation around the second axis in position space, i.e., a continuous reflection

$$\mathbf{SU}(2) \ni e^{i\pi\sigma_2/2} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbf{SO}(3), \qquad (x, y, z) \leftrightarrow (-x, y, -z)$$

The fact that the antilinear CPT-reflection is, up to a number conjugation (indicated by overbar), an element of $SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$, covering the connected Lorentz group $SO_0(1,3)$, is decisive for the proof of the well-known CPT-theorem[4, 3]

$$CPT \in SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$$

4. SPINOR-INDUCED REFLECTIONS

The linear spinor reflections ϵ for Pauli spinors and C, P for Weyl spinors are inducible on all irreducible finite-dimensional representations of **SU**(2) and **SL**(\mathbb{C}^2) with their adjoint groups **SO**(3) and **SO**₀(1, 3), respectively,

via the general procedure: Given the group G action on two vector spaces, its tensor product representation reads

$$G \times (V_1 \otimes V_2) \to V_1 \otimes V_2, \qquad g \bullet (v_1 \otimes v_2) = (g \bullet v_1) \otimes (g \bullet v_2)$$

A realization of the simple reflection group $\mathbb{I}(2) = \{\pm 1\}$ is either faithful or trivial.

4.1. Spinor-Induced Reflection of Position Space

The reflection $W \stackrel{e}{\leftrightarrow} W^T$ for a Pauli spinor space $W \cong \mathbb{C}^2$ induces the central reflection of position space whose elements come, in the Pauli representation of position space, as traceless hermitian (2×2) matrices

$$\vec{x}: W \to W, \quad \text{tr } \vec{x} = 0, \quad \vec{x} = \vec{x}^* = \begin{pmatrix} x_3 & x_1 - ix_2 \\ x_1 + ix_2 & -x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

i.e., as elements⁸ of the tensor product $W \otimes W^T$ with the induced ϵ -reflection

$$-\overrightarrow{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^{-1} \overrightarrow{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_0^T \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \Longrightarrow \overrightarrow{\boldsymbol{x}} \stackrel{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}{\leftrightarrow} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_0^{-1} \overrightarrow{\boldsymbol{x}}_0^T \boldsymbol{\epsilon} = -\overrightarrow{\boldsymbol{x}}$$

In the Cartan representation the Minkowski spacetime translations are hermitian mappings from right-handed to left-handed spinors,

$$x: \quad W_R \to W_L, \qquad x = x^* = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 + x_3 & x_1 - ix_2 \\ x_1 + ix_2 & x_0 - x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

i.e., tensors in the product $W_L \otimes W_R^T$. The linear CP-reflection for Weyl spinors

$$W_L \stackrel{\mathsf{CP}}{\leftrightarrow} W_R^T, \qquad W_R \stackrel{\mathsf{CP}}{\leftrightarrow} W_L^T$$

induces the position-space reflection of Minkowski spacetime,

$$\sigma^{j} = (\mathbf{1}_{2}, \vec{\sigma}), \qquad \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{-1} \circ (\sigma^{j})^{T} \circ \boldsymbol{\epsilon} = \sigma_{j} = (\mathbf{1}_{2} - \vec{\sigma})$$
$$x \cong (x_{0}, \vec{x}) \stackrel{\mathsf{CP}}{\leftrightarrow} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{-1} \circ x^{T} \circ \boldsymbol{\epsilon} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{0} - x_{3} & -x_{1} + ix_{2} \\ -x_{1} - ix_{2} & x_{0} + x_{3} \end{pmatrix} \cong (x_{0}, -\vec{x})$$

4.2. Induced Reflections of Spin Representation Spaces

All irreducible complex representations of the spin group SU(2) with 2J = 0, 1, 2, ... have an invariant bilinear form arising as a symmetric

⁸The linear mappings $\{V \to W\}$ for finite-dimensional vector spaces are naturally isomorphic to the tensor product $W \otimes V^T$ with the linear V-forms V^T .

tensor product of the antisymmetric spinor 'metric' ϵ . The bilinear form is given for the irreducible representation $[2J] \cong \bigvee^{2J} u$ on the vector space $\bigvee^{2J} W \cong \mathbb{C}^{2J+1}$ by the corresponding totally symmetric⁹ power and is antisymmetric for half-integer spin and symmetric for integer spin,

$$\epsilon^{2J} = \bigvee^{2J} \epsilon, \qquad \epsilon^{2J}(v, w) = \begin{cases} +\epsilon^{2J}(w, v), & 2J = 0, 2, 4, \dots \\ -\epsilon^{2J}(w, v), & 2J = 1, 3, \dots \end{cases}$$

The complex representation spaces for integer spin J = 0, 1, ..., acted upon faithfully only with the special rotations $SO(3) \cong SU(2)/\{\pm 1_2\}$, are direct sums of two irreducible real SO(3)-representation spaces \mathbb{R}^{2J+1} where the invariant bilinear form is symmetric and definite, e.g., the negativedefinite Killing form -1_3 for the adjoint representation $[2] \cong u \lor u$ on \mathbb{R}^3 .

The Pauli spinor reflection induces the reflections for the irreducible spin representation spaces

$$V \cong \bigvee^{2J} W \cong \mathbb{C}^{2J+1}: \qquad V \stackrel{\epsilon^{2J}}{\leftrightarrow} V^T$$

For integer spin (odd-dimensional representation spaces) the two real subspaces with irreducible real **SO**(3)-representation come with a trivial $-\mathbf{1}_3 \mapsto \mathbf{1}_{2J+1}$ and a faithful $-\mathbf{1}_3 \mapsto -\mathbf{1}_{2J+1} \in \mathbf{O}(2J + 1)/\mathbf{SO}(2J + 1)$ representation of the central position-space reflection, as seen in the diagonalization of the induced reflection

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon^{2J} \\ [\epsilon^{2J}]^{-1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cong \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, & J = 0 \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon \\ \epsilon^{-1} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & J = \frac{1}{2} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\mathbf{1}_3 \\ -\mathbf{1}_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cong \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_3 & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbf{1}_3 \end{pmatrix}, & J = 1 \\ \text{etc.} \end{cases}$$

The decomposition for the integer spin representation spaces uses symmetric and antisymmetric tensor products, as illustrated for the scalar and vector spin representation with a Pauli spinor basis,

 9 \lor and \land denote symmetrized and antisymmetrized tensor products.

$$W \stackrel{\epsilon}{\leftrightarrow} W^{T}, \qquad \psi^{A} \leftrightarrow \epsilon^{AB} \psi^{*}_{B}, \qquad J = \frac{1}{2}$$
$$W^{T} \otimes W \stackrel{\epsilon}{\leftrightarrow} W \otimes W^{T}, \qquad \begin{cases} \psi^{*}_{A} \otimes \psi^{A} \leftrightarrow \psi^{A} \otimes \psi^{*}_{A}, \qquad J = 0\\ \overrightarrow{\sigma}^{A}_{B} \psi^{*}_{A} \otimes \psi^{B} \leftrightarrow - \overrightarrow{\sigma}^{A}_{B} \psi^{B} \otimes \psi^{*}_{A}, \qquad J = 1 \end{cases}$$

Writing for the tensor (anti)commutator $[a, b]_{\epsilon} = a \otimes b + \epsilon b \otimes a$ with $\epsilon = \pm 1$, one has in both cases one trivial and one faithful reflection representation,

$$\begin{split} [\psi_A^*, \psi^A]_{\epsilon} \leftrightarrow \epsilon [\psi_A^*, \psi^A]_{\epsilon} & J = 0 \\ [\psi_A^* \overrightarrow{\sigma}_B^A, \psi^B]_{\epsilon} \leftrightarrow -\epsilon [\psi_A^* \overrightarrow{\sigma}_B^A, \psi^B]_{\epsilon}, & J = 1 \end{split}$$

4.3. Induced Reflections of Lorentz Group Representation Spaces

The generating structure of the two Weyl representations induces C, P-reflections of $SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$ -representations spaces.

The complex finite-dimensional irreducible representations of the group $SL(\mathbb{C}^2)$ are characterized by two spins [2L|2R] with integer and half-integer $L, R = 0, 1/2, 1, \ldots$. They are equivalent to the totally symmetric products of the left- and right-handed Weyl representations

Weyl left:
$$[1|0] = \lambda = e^{(i\vec{\alpha} + \vec{\beta})\vec{\sigma}}$$
, Weyl right: $[0|1] = \hat{\lambda} = e^{(i\vec{\alpha} - \vec{\beta})\vec{\sigma}}$
 $[2L|2R] \cong \bigvee^{2L} \lambda \otimes \bigvee^{2R} \hat{\lambda}$ acting on $V \cong \bigvee^{2L} W_L \otimes \bigvee^{2R} W_R \cong \mathbb{C}^{(2L+1)(2R+1)}$

[2L|2R] and [2R|2L] are equivalent with respect to the subgroup SU(2)-representations. The induced reflections are given by the corresponding products of the Weyl spinor reflections.

The real representation spaces for the Lorentz group $SO_0(1, 3)$ are characterized by integer spin

$$L + R = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

They are all generated by the Minkowski representation $[1|1] \cong \lambda \otimes \overline{\lambda}$, where the complex 4-dimensional representation space is decomposable into two real 4-dimensional ones, a hermitian and an antihermitian tensor,

$$\mathbb{C}^4 \cong W_L \otimes W_R^T \ni 1 \otimes 1^* = z = x + i\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^4 \otimes i\mathbb{R}^4$$

With Weyl spinor bases the induced linear reflections for the Minkowski representation look as follows [with $\sigma^j = (\mathbf{1}_2, \vec{\sigma}) = \check{\sigma}_j$ and $\sigma_j = (\mathbf{1}_2, -\vec{\sigma}) = \check{\sigma}^j$]:

$$\sigma^{j} \stackrel{\mathsf{P}}{\leftrightarrow} \check{\sigma}_{j}^{T}, \qquad l^{*} \sigma^{j} l \stackrel{\mathsf{P}}{\leftrightarrow} r^{*} \check{\sigma}_{j}^{T} r$$
$$\sigma_{j} \stackrel{\mathsf{C}}{\leftrightarrow} \check{\sigma}_{j}^{T}, \qquad l^{*} \sigma_{j} l \stackrel{\mathsf{C}}{\leftrightarrow} r \check{\sigma}_{j}^{T} r^{*}$$

$$\sigma^j \stackrel{\mathsf{CP}}{\leftrightarrow} \sigma^T_i, \quad l^* \sigma^{j} l \stackrel{\mathsf{CP}}{\leftrightarrow} l \sigma^T_i l^*, \quad r^* \check{\sigma}^j r \stackrel{\mathsf{CP}}{\leftrightarrow} r \check{\sigma}^T_i r^*$$

and can be arranged in combinations of definite parity, e.g., for P with Dirac spinors in a vector $\overline{\Psi}\gamma^{j}\Psi$ and an axial vector $\overline{\Psi}\gamma^{j}\gamma_{5}\Psi$. The antilinear time reflection has to change in addition the order in the product,

$$\sigma^j \stackrel{\mathsf{T}}{\leftrightarrow} \sigma_i, \qquad l^* \sigma^j l \stackrel{\mathsf{T}}{\leftrightarrow} l^* \sigma_i l, \qquad r^* \check{\sigma}^j r \stackrel{\mathsf{T}}{\leftrightarrow} r^* \check{\sigma}_i r$$

4.4. Reflections of Spacetime Fields

A field Φ is a mapping from position space \mathbb{R}^3 or, as relativistic field, from Minkowski spacetime \mathbb{R}^4 with values in a complex vector space *V* with the action of a group *G* both on space(time) and on *V*. This defines the action of the group on the field $\Phi \mapsto g \bullet \Phi = {}_{g} \Phi$ by the commutativity of the diagram

For position space the external action group is the Euclidean group $\mathbf{O}(3)$ $\overrightarrow{\times} \mathbb{R}^3$, for Minkowski spacetime the Poincaré group $\mathbf{O}(1, 3) \overrightarrow{\times} \mathbb{R}^4$. The value space may have additional integral action groups, e.g., $\mathbf{U}(1)$, $\mathbf{SU}(2)$, and $\mathbf{SU}(3)$ hypercharge, isospin, and color, respectively in the standard model for quark and lepton fields.

For Pauli spinor fields on position space the O(3)-action has a direct SU(2)-factor and a reflection factor $\mathbb{I}(2)$,

$$\psi: \quad \mathbb{R}^{3} \to W \cong \mathbb{C}^{2},$$

$$\begin{cases} {}_{u}\psi(\vec{x}) = D(u)\psi \ (O(u^{-1}).\vec{x}), & u \in \mathbf{SU}(2), \ O(u) \in \mathbf{SO}(3) \\ \psi^{A}(\vec{x}) \stackrel{\epsilon}{\leftrightarrow} \epsilon^{AB}\psi^{*}_{B}(-\vec{x}), & \text{position reflection } \mathbb{I}(2) \end{cases}$$

Spacetime fields have the Lorentz group behavior

$$_{\lambda}\Phi(x) = D(\lambda).\Phi(O(\lambda^{-1}).x), \quad \lambda \in \mathbf{SL}(\mathbb{C}^2), \quad O(\lambda) \in \mathbf{SO}_0(1,3)$$

The antilinear time reflection uses the conjugation to the time dual field

$$\Phi(x_0, \vec{x}) \stackrel{T}{\leftrightarrow} \Phi^*(-x_0, \vec{x})$$

The reflections for Weyl spinor fields on Minkowski spacetime are

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$$1^{A}(x_{0}, \vec{x}) \stackrel{P}{\leftrightarrow} \delta^{A}_{A} r^{A} \quad (x_{0}, -\vec{x})$$

$$(1^{A}, r^{A}) \quad (x_{0}, \vec{x}) \stackrel{Q}{\leftrightarrow} (\epsilon^{AB} r^{*}_{B}, \epsilon^{AB} l^{*}_{B}) \quad (x_{0}, \vec{x})$$

$$(1^{A}, r^{A}) \quad (x_{0}, \vec{x}) \stackrel{Q}{\leftrightarrow} (\delta^{A}_{A} \epsilon^{AB} l^{*}_{B}, \delta^{A}_{A} \epsilon^{AB} r^{*}_{B}) \quad (x_{0}, -\vec{x})$$

$$(1^{A}, r^{A}) \quad (x_{0}, \vec{x}) \stackrel{T}{\leftrightarrow} (\delta^{AA} l^{*}_{A}, \delta^{AA} r^{*}_{A}) \quad (-x_{0}, \vec{x})$$

which is inducible on product representations.

5. THE STANDARD MODEL BREAKDOWN OF P AND CP

A relativistic dynamics, characterized by a Lagrangian for the fields involved, may be invariant with respect to an operation group G, e.g., the C, P, and T reflections, or not. A breakdown of the symmetry can occur in two different ways: Either the symmetry is represented on the field value space V, but the Lagrangian is not G-invariant, or there does not even exist a G-representation on V. Both cases occur in the standard model for quark and lepton fields.

5.1. Standard Model Breakdown of P

The charge U(1) vertex in electrodynamics for a Dirac electron–positron field Ψ interacting with an electromagnetic gauge field Γ_i

$$-\Gamma_{i} \overline{\Psi} \gamma^{j} \Psi = -\Gamma_{i} (\mathbf{l}^{*} \sigma^{j} \mathbf{l} + \mathbf{r}^{*} \check{\sigma}^{j} \mathbf{r})$$

is invariant under P and T if the fields have the Weyl spinor-induced behavior given above.

In the standard model of leptons [5] with a left-handed isospin doublet field L and a right-handed isospin singlet field r the hypercharge U(1) and isospin SU(2) vertex with gauge fields A_j and \vec{B}_j , respectively, and internal Pauli matrices $\vec{\tau}$ reads

$$-A_{j}\left(\mathbf{L}^{*}\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{j}\,\frac{\mathbf{1}_{2}}{2}\,\mathbf{L}\,+\,\mathbf{r}^{*}\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{j}\mathbf{r}\right)+\,\vec{B}_{j}\mathbf{L}^{*}\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{j}\,\frac{\vec{\tau}}{2}\,\mathbf{L}$$

All gauge fields are assumed with the spinor-induced reflection behavior. The P-invariance is broken in two different ways: One component of the lepton isodoublet, e.g., $1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(1 - \tau_3)}{2} L \in W_L^- \cong \mathbb{C}^2$, can be used together with the right-handed isosinglet r as a basis of a Dirac space $\Psi \in W_L^- \oplus W_R \cong \mathbb{C}^4$ with a representation of P. This is impossible for the remaining

unpaired left-handed field $\frac{1}{2} \frac{(1 + \tau_3)}{2} L \in W_L^+ \cong \mathbb{C}^2$ —here P cannot even be defined. However, also for the left–right pair (l, r) the resulting gauge vertex breaks position space reflection P invariance via the familiar neutral weak interactions, induced by a vector field Z_j arising in addition to the U(1)electromagnetic gauge field Γ_j ,

$$-\frac{A_j + B_i^3}{2} \mathbf{l}^* \sigma^j \mathbf{l} - A_j \mathbf{r}^* \check{\sigma}^j \mathbf{r} = -\Gamma_j \overline{\Psi} \gamma^j \Psi - Z_j \overline{\Psi} \gamma^i \gamma_5 \Psi$$

with $\begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_i \\ Z_j \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_i \\ B_j^3 \end{pmatrix}$

There is no parameter involved whose vanishing would lead to a P-invariant dynamics.

5.2. GP-Invariance in the Standard Model of Leptons

The CP-reflection induced by the spinor 'metric'

$$\begin{split} W_L & \stackrel{\text{CP}}{\leftrightarrow} W_R^T, \qquad 1^A \leftrightarrow \delta^A_A \epsilon^{A\dot{B}} l_B^* \\ W_R & \stackrel{\text{CP}}{\leftrightarrow} W_L^T, \qquad r^A \leftrightarrow \delta^A_A \epsilon^{AB} r_B^* \end{split}$$

has to include also a linear reflection of internal operation representation spaces in the case of Weyl spinors with nonabelian internal degrees of freedom.

For isospin SU(2)-doublets this reflection is given by the Pauli isospinor reflection discussed above and is denoted as internal reflection by $I = \epsilon$,

$$\begin{array}{cccc} U & \stackrel{u}{\rightarrow} & U & u \in \mathbf{SU}(2) (\mathrm{isospin}) \\ \epsilon \downarrow & & \downarrow \epsilon, & \psi^a \stackrel{I}{\leftrightarrow} \epsilon^{ab} \psi^*_b, & a, b = 1, 2 \\ U^T & \stackrel{\rightarrow}{\xrightarrow{u}} & U^T & -\overrightarrow{\tau} = \epsilon^{-1} \circ \overrightarrow{\tau}^T \circ \epsilon \end{array}$$

Therewith the linear *GP*-reflection as particle–antiparticle conjugation including nontrivial isospin eigenvalues

$$G = IC, GP = ICP$$

reads for left-handed Weyl spinors and isospinors

$$W_L \otimes U \stackrel{\mathsf{GP}}{\leftrightarrow} W^T_R \otimes U^T, \qquad \mathrm{L}^{Aa} \leftrightarrow \delta^A_A \epsilon^{\dot{A}\dot{B}} \epsilon^{ab} \mathrm{L}^*_{Bb}$$

The antilinear T-reflection uses the U(2)-scalar product

$$U \stackrel{*}{\leftrightarrow} U^{T}, \qquad U \times U \to \mathbb{C}, \qquad \langle \psi^{a} | \psi^{b} \rangle = \delta^{ab}$$
$$W_{L} \otimes U \stackrel{T}{\leftrightarrow} W_{R}^{T} \otimes U_{T}, \qquad L^{Aa} \leftrightarrow \delta^{AB} \delta^{ab} L_{Bb}^{*}$$

The isospin dual coincides with the time dual $U^T = U^*$.

In the product CPT there arises, in the basis chosen, an isospin transformation $\epsilon^{ac}\delta_{cb} \cong e^{i\pi\tau_2/2} \in SU(2)$,

 $W_L \otimes U \stackrel{\mathsf{ICPT}}{\leftrightarrow} W_L \otimes U, \qquad \mathcal{L}^{Aa} \leftrightarrow \delta^{A\dot{B}} \, \delta_{BB} \epsilon^{ac} \, \delta_{cb} \mathcal{L}^{Bb}$

decisive to prove the GPT-theorem with

$$\overrightarrow{\mathsf{ICPT}} \in \mathrm{SU}(2) \times \mathrm{SL}(\mathbb{C}^2)$$

With the spinor-induced reflection behavior for the gauge fields the standard model for leptons, i.e., with internal hypercharge-isospin action, allows the representation of GP and T with the gauge vertex above being GP- and T-invariant.

5.3. CP-Problems for Quarks

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If quark triplets and antitriplets which come with the dual defining SU(3) representations are included in the standard model, an extended CP-reflection has to employ a linear reflection γ between dual representation spaces of color SU(3), i.e., an SU(3)-invariant bilinear form of the representation space,

$$\begin{array}{cccc} U & \stackrel{D(u)}{\rightarrow} & U \\ \gamma \downarrow & & \downarrow \gamma \\ U^T & \stackrel{D}{\rightarrow} & U^T \end{array}, \qquad D: \ \mathbf{SU}(3) \to \mathbf{GL}(U) \quad \text{(color representation)} \\ \gamma^{-1} \circ D(u)^T \circ \gamma = D(u^{-1}) \quad \text{for all } u \in \mathbf{SU}(3) \end{array}$$

The situation for isospin **SU**(2) and color **SU**(3) is completely different with respect to the existence of such a linear dual isomorphism γ : All irreducible **SU**(2)-representations [2*T*] with isospin T = 0, 1/2, 1, ... have, up to a scalar factor, a unique invariant bilinear form $\sqrt{2^{2T}\epsilon}$ as product of the spinor 'metric' discussed above.

That is not the case for the color representations. Some representations are linearly self-dual, some are not.

The complex irreducible representations of **SU**(3) are characterized by $[N_1, N_2]$ with two integers $N_{1,2} = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$. They arise from the two fundamental triplet representations, dual to each other and parametrizable with eight Gell-Mann matrices $\vec{\lambda}$:

triplet: $[1, 0] = u = e^{i\vec{\gamma}\vec{\lambda}}$, antitriplet: $[0, 1] = \check{u} = u^{-1T} = (e^{-i\vec{\gamma}\vec{\lambda}})^T$

The **SU**(3)-representation $[N_1, N_2]$ acts on vector space U with dim_D U = $\frac{(N_1 + 1)(N_2 + 1)(N_1 + N_2 + 2)}{2}$.

Dual representations have reflected integer values $[N_1, N_2] \leftrightarrow [N_2, N_1]$. Only those **SU**(3)-representations whose weight diagram is central reflection symmetric in the real 2-dimensional weight vector space (Appendix) have one, and only one, **SU**(3)-invariant bilinear form[1], i.e., they are linearly self-dual. Dual representations have weights which are reflections of each other,

weights
$$[N_1, N_2] \stackrel{-1_2}{\leftrightarrow}$$
 weights $[N_2, N_1]$

Therefore, one obtains as self-dual irreducible SU(3)-representations

weights $[N_1, N_2] = -$ weights $[N_1, N_2] \Leftrightarrow N_1 = N_2 = N$

$$\Rightarrow \dim_{\mathbf{D}} U = (N+1)^3 = 1, 8, 27, \dots$$

For example, for the octet [1, 1] as adjoint **SU**(3)-representation, the Killing form defines its self-duality.

A general remark (Appendix): The Lie group $\mathbf{SL}(\mathbb{C}^{r+1})$ with its maximal compact subgroup $\mathbf{SU}(r + 1)$ of rank r is defined as invariance group of the \mathbb{C}^{r+1} -volume elements, which are totally antisymmetric (r + 1)-linear forms $\epsilon^{a_1 \cdots a_{r+1}}$. Their complex, finite-dimensional, irreducible representations are characterized by r integers $[N_1, \ldots, N_r]$ with the dual representations having the reflected order $[N_r, \ldots, N_1]$. The weights (eigenvalues) for dual representations are related to each other by the central weight space reflection $-\mathbf{1}_r$ which defines the linear particle–antiparticle conjugation I for $\mathbf{SU}(n)$. Only for n = 2 [isospin $\mathbf{SU}(2)$] are all representations [N = 2T] self-dual with their invariant bilinear form arising from ϵ^{ab} for [1]. The n = 2 self-duality of the doublet $u(2) \cong \check{u}(2)$ is replaced for n = 3 by the equivalence of antisymmetric triplet square and antitriplet representation $u(3) \wedge u(3) \cong \check{u}(3)$, i.e., $3 \wedge 3 \cong \overline{3}$, with the obvious generalization $\wedge^r u(r + 1) \cong \check{u}(r + 1)$ for general rank r.

Obviously all SU(r + 1)-representations have an invariant sesquilinear form, the SU(r + 1) scalar product. However, this antilinear structure cannot define a linear particle–antiparticle conjugation.

It is impossible to define a CP-extending duality-induced linear GPreflection for the irreducible complex 3-dimensional quark representation spaces since there does not exist a color SU(3)-invariant bilinear form of the triplet space $U \cong \mathbb{C}^3$. Or equivalently: There does not exist a (3×3) matrix γ for the reflection $-\vec{\lambda} = \gamma^{-1} \circ \vec{\lambda}^T \circ \gamma$ of all eight Gell-Mann matrices. Therewith there arise also problems to define an SU(3)-compatible time reflection for quark triplet fields. Could all this be the reason for the breakdown of *CP*-invariance in the quark field sector and its parametrization (e.g., Cabibbo–Kobayashi–Maskawa) with three families of color triplets?

APPENDIX. CENTRAL REFLECTIONS OF LIE ALGEBRAS

A representation of a group G on a vector space V is *self-dual* if it is equivalent to its dual representation, defined by the inverse transposed action on the linear forms V^{T} ,

$$D: \quad G \to \mathbf{GL}(V) \\ \check{D}: \quad G \to \mathbf{GL}(V^T) \\ \}, \qquad \check{D}(g) = D(g^{-1})^T$$

i.e., if the following diagram with a linear or antilinear isomorphism $\zeta: V \rightarrow V^T$ commutes with the action of all group elements:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} V & \stackrel{D(g)}{\to} & V \\ \zeta \downarrow & & \downarrow \zeta, \\ V^T & \stackrel{D}{\to} & V^T \end{array} & \zeta^{-1} \circ D(g)^T \circ \zeta = D(g^{-1}) \quad \text{for all } g \in G \end{array}$$

Self-duality is equivalent to the existence of a nondegenerate bilinear (for linear ζ) or sesquilinear form (for antilinear ζ) of the vector space *V*,

$$V \times V \to \mathbb{C}, \qquad \zeta(w, v) = \langle \zeta(w), v \rangle$$

selfdual $\zeta(g \bullet w, g \bullet v) = \zeta(w, v), \qquad g \bullet v = D(g)(v)$

For the Lie algebra $L = \log G$ of a Lie group G with dual representations in the endomorphism algebras AL(V) and $AL(V^T)$ which are negative transposed to each other

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathfrak{D}: & L \to \mathbf{AL}(V) \\ \mathfrak{\tilde{D}}: & L \to \mathbf{AL}(V^T) \end{array} \right\}, \qquad \mathfrak{\tilde{D}}(l) = -\mathfrak{D}(l)^T$$

a self-duality isomorphism, i.e., the reflection $V \stackrel{\zeta}{\leftrightarrow} V^T$, fulfills

$$\zeta(l \bullet w, v) = -\zeta(w, l \bullet v), \qquad l \bullet v = \mathfrak{D}(l)(v)$$

and defines the central reflection of the Lie algebra in the representation

$$\begin{array}{cccc} V & \stackrel{\mathfrak{D}(l)}{\to} & V \\ \zeta \downarrow & & \downarrow \zeta, \\ V^T & \stackrel{\sim}{\to} (l) & V^T \end{array} & \zeta^{-1} \circ \mathfrak{D}(l)^T \circ \zeta = -\mathfrak{D}(l) & \text{ for all } l \in \log G \end{array}$$

With Schur's lemma, an irreducible complex finite-dimensional repre-

sentation of a group or Lie algebra can have at most, up to a constant, one invariant bilinear and one invariant sesquilinear form. For example, Pauli spinors for **SU**(2) have both ϵ^{AB} (bilinear) and δ^{AB} (sesquilinear, scalar product), *A*, *B* = 1, 2, quark triplets have only a scalar product δ^{ab} , *a*, *b* = 1, 2, 3, and Weyl spinors for **SL**(\mathbb{C}^2) have only the bilinear 'metric' ϵ^{AB} .

For a simple Lie algebra *L* of rank *r*, the weights (eigenvalue vectors for a Cartan subalgebra) of dual representations \mathfrak{D} and $\check{\mathfrak{D}}$ are related to each other by the central reflection of the weight vector space \mathbb{R}^r ,

weights
$$\mathfrak{D}[L] \stackrel{-1_r}{\leftrightarrow}$$
 weights $\check{\mathfrak{D}}[L]$

which may be induced by a linear isomorphism ζ of the dual representation spaces. Such a linear isomorphism for an *L*-representation exists [1] if, and only if, the weights of the representation $\mathfrak{D}: L \to \mathbf{AL}(V)$ are invariant under central reflection,

$$V \stackrel{\diamond}{\leftrightarrow} V^T \Leftrightarrow \text{weights } \mathfrak{D}[L] = -\text{weights } \mathfrak{D}[L]$$

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