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Fermi-Dirac statistics \Leftarrow spin-statistics theorem. Locality + Poincaré inv. + Unitarity

† α^+, α
creation annihilation

$$\{\alpha, \alpha^+\} = \alpha\alpha^+ + \alpha^+\alpha = 1 \quad \text{Anticommutation relations}$$

B a^+, a

$$[a^+, a] = aa^+ - a^+a = 1$$

Grassmann Algebras & Berezin calculus T or †

Vector space \mathbb{C} + addition, • multiplication, * conjugation

complex Grassmann Algebra \mathbb{G}_N $2N$ dimensional

Basis of generators $\{\theta_i, \bar{\theta}_i\}_{i=1, N}$ of the algebra \Rightarrow product + lin. comp

Anticommutative relations $\theta_i \theta_j + \theta_j \theta_i = 0$ $\bar{\theta}_i \bar{\theta}_j + \bar{\theta}_j \bar{\theta}_i = 0$ $\theta_i \bar{\theta}_j + \bar{\theta}_j \theta_i = 0 \Rightarrow \mathbb{G}_N$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_i^2 = 0 \quad \bar{\theta}_j^2 = 0$$

general element \mathcal{G} of G_N - linear comb of products of the θ_i 's and $\bar{\theta}_i$'s

Ex $N=1$ $(\theta, \bar{\theta})$ $\mathcal{G} = a \cdot 1 + b \theta + c \bar{\theta} + d \theta \bar{\theta}$

$(1, \theta, \bar{\theta}, \theta \bar{\theta})$ Basis $\dim G_1 = 4$

$N=2$ $\theta_1, \bar{\theta}_1, \theta_2, \bar{\theta}_2$ $\mathcal{G} = \text{lin. comb of 16 terms}$

$1, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \bar{\theta}_1, \bar{\theta}_2$
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& Berezin calculus T or \dagger

algebra, \cdot multiplication, $*$ conjugation

algebra G_N $2N$ "dimensional" N pairs of generators $\{\theta_i, \bar{\theta}_i\}_{i=1, N}$ of the algebra \Rightarrow product + lin. comp

$$\theta_i = 0 \quad \bar{\theta}_i \bar{\theta}_j + \bar{\theta}_j \bar{\theta}_i = 0 \quad \theta_i \theta_j + \theta_j \theta_i = 0 \Rightarrow G_N$$

general element \mathcal{G} of G_N

Ex $N=1$ $(\theta, \bar{\theta})$
 $(1, \theta, \bar{\theta}, \theta\bar{\theta})$ Basis

$N=2$ $\theta_1, \bar{\theta}_1, \theta_2, \bar{\theta}_2$
 $\underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{4}$
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general element g - linear comb of products of the θ_i 's and $\bar{\theta}_i$'s of G_N

Ex $N=1$ $(\theta, \bar{\theta})$ $g = a \cdot 1 + b \theta + c \bar{\theta} + d \theta \bar{\theta}$

$(1, \theta, \bar{\theta}, \theta \bar{\theta})$ Basis $\dim G_1 = 4$

$N=2$ $\theta_1, \bar{\theta}_1, \theta_2, \bar{\theta}_2$ $g = \text{lin. comb of 16 terms}$ $\dim G_2 = 16$

$1,$ $\theta_1 \theta_2, \dots, \bar{\theta}_1 \bar{\theta}_2, \theta_1 \theta_2 \bar{\theta}_1, \theta_1 \theta_2 \bar{\theta}_1 \bar{\theta}_2$
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unitarity

general N $\dim \mathbb{G}_N = 4^N$

product

$$N=1 \quad g_1 = a_1 + b_1 \theta + c_1 \bar{\theta} + d_1 \theta \bar{\theta}$$

$$g_2 = a_2 + b_2 \theta + c_2 \bar{\theta} + d_2 \theta \bar{\theta}$$

$$g_1 \cdot g_2 = a_1 a_2 + (a_1 b_2 + b_1 a_2) \theta + (a_1 c_2 + c_1 a_2) \bar{\theta}$$

$$= (a_1 d_2 + d_1 a_2 + b_1 c_2 - c_1 b_2) \theta \bar{\theta}$$

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anticommutation

$$\dim \mathbb{G}_N = 4^N$$

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$$g_1 = a_1 + b_1 \theta + c_1 \bar{\theta} + d_1 \theta \bar{\theta}$$

$$g_2 = a_2 + b_2 \theta + c_2 \bar{\theta} + d_2 \theta \bar{\theta}$$

$$= a_1 a_2 + (a_1 b_2 + b_1 a_2) \theta + (a_1 c_2 + c_1 a_2) \bar{\theta}$$

$$+ (a_1 d_2 + d_1 a_2 + b_1 c_2 - c_1 b_2) \theta \bar{\theta}$$

↑
anticommutation

* conjugation \leftrightarrow + formulas

complex number $a^* = \bar{a}$

generators $\theta^* = \bar{\theta}, \bar{\theta}^* = \theta$

product $(g_1 g_2)^* = g_2^* g_1^*$

for instance $(\theta_i \bar{\theta}_j)^* = \theta_j \bar{\theta}_i$

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for matrices

$$* = \bar{a}$$

$$* = \bar{\theta}, \bar{\theta}^* = \theta$$

$$= g_2^* \cdot g_1^*$$

$$\theta_j, \bar{\theta}_i$$

\mathcal{G} as a series expansion in $(\theta_i, \bar{\theta}_i) \approx$ function of anticommuting variables

Derivation w.r.t the $\theta, \bar{\theta}$

Integration over the $\theta, \bar{\theta}$

anticommutation

$$\mathbb{G}_N \leftarrow (\theta_i, \bar{\theta}_i)_{i=1, N}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} g =$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} 1 = 0, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \theta_j = \delta_{ij}, \quad \frac{\partial \bar{\theta}_j}{\partial \theta_i} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}_i} 1 = 0, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}_i} \bar{\theta}_j = \delta_{ij}, \quad \frac{\partial \theta_i}{\partial \bar{\theta}_j} = 0$$

Anticommutation rel

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \right\} = 0$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}_j} \right\} = 0$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}_i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}_j} \right\} = 0$$

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true if $i \neq j$

$$(\theta_i \theta_j) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} (\theta_i \theta_j) = -\theta_i$$

$$(\theta_k \theta_j \theta_i) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} (\theta_i \theta_k \theta_j) = +\theta_k \theta_j$$

* } move the θ_i to the right
apply derivative

In general

$$Q = \sum_{I, J} a_{I, J} \prod_{i=1}^K \theta_{a_i} \prod_{j=1}^L \bar{\theta}_{b_j}$$

$I = \{a_1 < a_2 < a_3 \dots < a_k\}$
 $J = \{b_1 < b_2 < b_3 \dots < b_L\}$
 $K \text{ and } L \leq N$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_a} Q$$

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Integration

$$\int d\theta_i \mathcal{G}$$

$$\int d\theta_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \mathcal{G} = 0$$

$$\int d\bar{\theta}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}_i} \mathcal{G} = 0$$

$$\int d\theta_i 1 = 0 \quad \int d\bar{\theta}_i 1 = 0$$

$$\int d\theta_i \theta_j = \delta_{ij}, \quad \int d\bar{\theta}_i \bar{\theta}_j = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\int d\theta_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i}$$

Gauss

Gaussian integrals

$A = (A_{ij})$ Hermitian
matrix
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complex numbers

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P} &= \exp\left(-\sum_{i,j=1}^N \bar{\theta}_i A_{ij} \theta_j\right) \\ &= 1 + \bar{\theta}_i A_{ij} \theta_j + \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\theta}_i A_{ij} \theta_j)^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

For instance $N=1$ $\exp(-\bar{\theta} A \theta) = 1 + A \bar{\theta} \theta = 1 + A \theta \bar{\theta}$ because

$$\int d\theta d\bar{\theta} \exp(-\bar{\theta} A \theta) = A$$

integrals

$$P = \exp\left(-\sum_{i,j=1}^N \bar{\theta}_i A_{ij} \theta_j\right)$$

after N steps
stops

$$= 1 + \bar{\theta}_i A_{ij} \theta_j + \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\theta}_i A_{ij} \theta_j)^2 + \dots$$

because $(\bar{\theta}_i A_{ij} \theta_j)^{N+1} = 0$

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nahx

$$\exp(-\bar{\theta} A \theta) = 1 + \bar{\theta} A \theta = 1 + A \theta \bar{\theta}$$

$$\bar{\theta} A \theta = A$$

For $N=2$ $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

simple calculation

$$\int d\theta_1 d\bar{\theta}_1 d\theta_2 d\bar{\theta}_2 \exp(-\bar{\theta} \cdot A \cdot \theta) = A_{11} A_{22} - A_{12} A_{21} = \det A$$

$$\int d\theta_i 1 = 0 \quad \int d\bar{\theta}_i 1 = 0$$

$$\int d\theta_i \theta_j = \delta_{ij}, \quad \int d\bar{\theta}_i \bar{\theta}_j = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\int d\theta d\bar{\theta} \exp(-\bar{\theta} A \theta) = \det A$$

general N $\int d\theta_1 d\bar{\theta}_1 \dots d\theta_N d\bar{\theta}_N \exp(-\bar{\theta}_i A_{ij} \theta_j) = \det A$

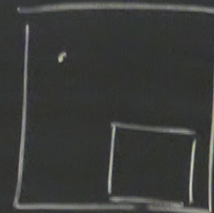
"correlation functions"

$N=1$

$$\langle \bar{\theta} \theta \rangle := \frac{\int d\theta d\bar{\theta} \cdot \exp(-\bar{\theta} A \theta) \bar{\theta} \theta}{\int d\theta d\bar{\theta} \exp(-\bar{\theta} A \theta)} = \frac{1}{A}$$

$$N=2 \quad i,j = 1 \text{ or } 2$$

$$\langle \bar{\theta}_i, \theta_j \rangle := \frac{\int d\theta_1 d\bar{\theta}_1 d\theta_2 d\bar{\theta}_2 \exp(-\bar{\theta} A \theta) \cdot \bar{\theta}_i \theta_j}{\det A}$$



$$\langle \bar{\theta}_1, \theta_1 \rangle = \frac{A_{22}}{\det A} = (\bar{A}^{-1})_{11}$$

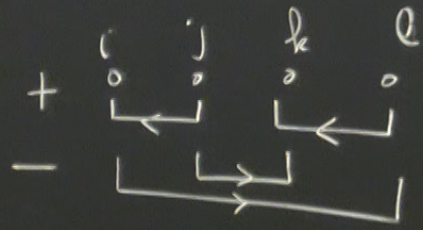
$$\langle \bar{\theta}_i, \theta_i \rangle = (\bar{A}^{-1})_{ii}$$

general
for any N
Wick Theorem

$$\langle \theta_i, \theta_j \rangle \text{ or } \langle \bar{\theta}_i, \bar{\theta}_j \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \psi_i, \psi_j \rangle \text{ or } \langle \theta_i, \theta_j \rangle = 0$$

Fermionic Wick theorem!



$\det A$ = fermionic partition function

A^{-1} = fermionic propagator

Path integral For Dirac Field

$$S[\Psi, \bar{\Psi}] = \int d^4x \bar{\Psi}(x) (i \not{\partial}_x - m) \Psi(x)$$

$$(\Psi^\alpha(x), \bar{\Psi}^\alpha(x)) \begin{matrix} \alpha=1, 4 \text{ Dirac} \\ x \in M^{1,3} \text{ space} \end{matrix}$$

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 now are anticommuting
 generators of a Big
 Grassmann algebra

∞ dim

$2 \cdot 4 \times \text{Vol}(M^{1,3}) \Rightarrow$
 generators

\mathbb{G}
 Dirac

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[\bar{\Psi}, \Psi] \exp\left(\frac{i}{\hbar} S[\Psi, \bar{\Psi}]\right) = \det\left((i\not{\partial} - m)\right)$$

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Dirac operator 4x4 matrix

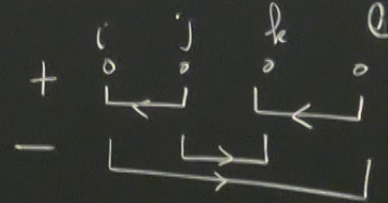
$$\int \prod_x \prod_\alpha d\bar{\Psi}^\alpha(x) d\Psi^\alpha(x)$$

$$\langle \Psi^\alpha(x) \bar{\Psi}^\beta(y) \rangle = \left(\frac{i\hbar}{i\not{\partial} - m} \right)_{xy}^{\alpha\beta} = \text{Feynman Propagator for Dirac}$$

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can

$$\langle \bar{\theta}_i \theta_j \bar{\theta}_k \theta_l \rangle = (\bar{A}^{-1})_{ij} (\bar{A}^{-1})_{kl} - (\bar{A}^{-1})_{il} (\bar{A}^{-1})_{kj}$$

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Fermionic Wick theorem


$$\text{Feynman Prop} = G_F(x, y) = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} e^{i p \cdot (x-y)} \left(\frac{i}{-\not{p} - m - i\epsilon_+} \right)$$

\bar{A}^{-1} k_j Fermionic Wick theorem!
 $+ \begin{matrix} i & j & k & l \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \\ \leftarrow & & \leftarrow & \\ \leftarrow & & \leftarrow & \end{matrix}$
 $- \begin{matrix} i & j & k & l \\ \circ & \circ & \circ & \circ \\ \leftarrow & & \leftarrow & \\ \leftarrow & & \leftarrow & \end{matrix}$

$\det A = \text{fermionic partition function}$

$\bar{A}^{-1} = \text{fermionic propagator}$

$$\left(\frac{i}{-\not{p} - m - i\epsilon_+} \right)$$

Bosons & Fermions are on the same footing \Rightarrow Gauge Theories + Fermions

Spin plays no role Condensed matter

"Faddeev-Popov Ghost"

Spin 0 charged Fermions

\Rightarrow "Super Space" SUSY
 Math "Superalgebras"