

# Exercise 1: N=1 SUSY of Pauli-Hamiltonian

Charged particle mass  $m > 0$ , charge  $e$  ( $e < 0$  electrons)  
In ext. electromagn. field

$$\vec{E} := -\frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{A}} - \vec{\nabla} \phi \quad \text{scalar pot. } \phi$$

$$\vec{B} := \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} \quad \text{vector pot. } \vec{A}$$

Minimal coupling principle:

$$i\hbar \partial_t \rightarrow i\hbar \partial_t - e\phi, \quad -i\hbar \vec{\nabla} \rightarrow -i\hbar \vec{\nabla} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}$$

Results in SE

$$i\hbar \partial_t \psi = \frac{1}{2m} \left( -i\hbar \vec{\nabla} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} \right)^2 \psi + e\phi \psi$$

For static fields:

$$H = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} \rightarrow H_L := \frac{1}{2m} \left( \vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} \right)^2 + e\phi$$

Landau-Hamiltonian

Consider  $\phi = 0$  and const.  $\vec{B}$ :  $\vec{A} := \frac{1}{2} \vec{B} \times \vec{r}$

$$\begin{aligned} \wedge \left( \vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A} \right)^2 &= \vec{p}^2 - \frac{e}{c} (\vec{p} \cdot \vec{A} + \vec{A} \cdot \vec{p}) + \frac{e^2}{c^2} \vec{A}^2 \\ &= \vec{p}^2 - \frac{2e}{c} \vec{A} \cdot \vec{p} + \frac{e^2}{c^2} \vec{A}^2 + \underbrace{\frac{i\hbar e}{c} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A})}_{=0} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{p} = \frac{1}{2} (\vec{B} \times \vec{r}) \cdot \vec{p} = \frac{1}{2} (\vec{r} \times \vec{p}) \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{L} \cdot \vec{B}$$

Hence

$$H_L = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} - \frac{e}{2mc} \vec{L} \cdot \vec{B} + \frac{e^2}{2mc^2} \vec{A}^2 = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} - \vec{\mu}_L \cdot \vec{B} + \frac{e^2}{2mc^2} \vec{A}^2$$

magn. moment:  $\vec{\mu}_L := \gamma \vec{L}$  charged particle moving on a classical orbit with  $\vec{L}$

gyromagnetic ratio:  $\gamma := \frac{e}{2mc}$

We ignore the  $\vec{A}^2 \sim \vec{B}^2$  term for small B and large c

$$\approx H_L \approx \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} - \vec{\mu}_L \cdot \vec{B}$$

Experiment: Energy levels for fixed l doubly degenerate and  $\gamma_{exp} = g \frac{e}{2mc}$  with  $g \approx 2$  !

Pauli (Goudsmit and Uhlenbeck):

Postulate intrinsic spin-degree of freedom

$$\mathcal{H} = L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \rightarrow \mathcal{H} = L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$$

with  $\vec{S} := \frac{\hbar}{2} \vec{\sigma}$  resulting in  $\vec{\mu}_s := g \frac{e}{2mc} \vec{S}$  with  $g \approx 2$

Pauli-Hamiltonian:

$$H_P = H_L - \vec{\mu}_s \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{1}{2m} (\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A})^2 + e\phi - \frac{g}{2} \frac{e\hbar}{2mc} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}$$

violates minimal coupling principle !?

However on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$  we can write

$$H = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} \otimes \mathbb{1} = \frac{(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma})^2}{2m}$$

Note  $\sigma_j \sigma_k = \delta_{jk} + i \sigma_l \epsilon_{jkl} \Rightarrow \sigma_i p_i \sigma_j p_j = p_i p_j \delta_{ij} = \vec{p}^2$

Hence minimal coupling results in

$$H_P = \frac{1}{2m} [(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{\sigma}]^2 + e\phi \quad \text{with } g=2$$

SUSY structure of  $H_P$ : Now  $\phi=0$

Supercharge:  $Q_1 := (\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A}) \cdot \vec{\sigma} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4m}} = Q_1^\dagger$

$$\sim H_P = 2Q_1^2 = \{Q_1, Q_1\}$$

Explicit:

$$\begin{aligned} H_P &= \frac{1}{2m} (p_i - \frac{e}{c} A_i) \sigma_i (p_k - \frac{e}{c} A_k) \sigma_k \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} (\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A})^2 + \frac{i}{2m} \epsilon_{ijk} \sigma_e \left( \underbrace{p_i p_j}_{\rightarrow 0} - \frac{e}{c} (A_i p_j + A_j p_i) + \frac{e^2}{c^2} \underbrace{A_i A_j}_{\rightarrow 0} \right) \end{aligned}$$

use  $p_i A_k = \frac{\hbar}{i} (\partial_i A_k) + A_k p_i$

$$= \frac{1}{2m} (\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A})^2 - \frac{e\hbar}{2mc} \underbrace{\epsilon_{ijk} (\partial_i A_k)}_{= (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})_e = B_e} \sigma_e$$

$$= \frac{1}{2m} (\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c} \vec{A})^2 - \frac{e\hbar}{2mc} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B} \Rightarrow g=2 \checkmark$$

SUSY requires  $g=2$

Helicity operator:  $Q_\Lambda \equiv Q$

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$$\Lambda := \frac{Q}{|Q|} = \text{sgn}|Q| \quad \text{well defined on } \mathcal{H} \setminus \text{Ker } Q$$

obviously  $\Lambda^2 = \mathbb{1}$  and  $[H, Q] = 0 = [H, \Lambda]$

$\leadsto$  Common eigenbasis:  $H|\psi_E^\pm\rangle = E|\psi_E^\pm\rangle$

$$\Lambda|\psi_E^\pm\rangle = \pm|\psi_E^\pm\rangle$$

However:  $\Lambda$  is NOT a Witten operator as we

require  $\{W, H\} = 0$  but  $[\Lambda, H] = 0$

Velocity operator:  $\vec{V} := \frac{1}{m}(\vec{p} - \frac{e}{c}\vec{A})$

$$\leadsto \Lambda = \frac{Q}{|Q|} = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{|\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\sigma}|} \quad \text{Projection of spin on } \vec{v}$$

Remarks:

- Such a  $\Lambda := \frac{Q}{|Q|}$  exists for all  $N=1$  SUSY systems on  $\mathcal{H} \setminus \text{Ker } Q$

But does NOT generate SUSY transformations

- In  $D=2$  the Pauli-Hamiltonian does allow for an  $N=2$  SUSY  $\Rightarrow$  close relation to Dirac-Hamiltonian

See later.

## Exercise 2: Proofs related to Witten operator

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Starting point N=2 SUSY:  $\{Q, Q^\dagger\} = H, Q^2 = 0 = (Q^\dagger)^2$

Auxiliary formulas:

$$Q Q^\dagger Q = Q(H - Q Q^\dagger) = QH \stackrel{①}{=} H Q$$

$$Q^\dagger Q Q^\dagger = Q^\dagger(H - Q^\dagger Q) = Q^\dagger H \stackrel{②}{=} H Q^\dagger$$

① Constant of motion:

$$[H, Q] = [Q Q^\dagger + Q^\dagger Q, Q] = \underbrace{Q Q^\dagger Q}_{=0} + \underbrace{Q^\dagger Q Q}_{=0} - Q Q Q^\dagger - Q Q^\dagger Q = 0$$

$$[H, Q^\dagger] = 0 \text{ similar}$$

② Witten parity:  $[W, H] = 0, \{W, Q\} = 0 = \{W, Q^\dagger\}, W^2 = 1$

Formal definition  $W := \frac{2}{H} Q Q^\dagger - 1$

a)  $W = W^\dagger$  obvious as  $[H, Q] = 0 = [H, Q^\dagger]$

b)  $W^2 = \left(\frac{2}{H} Q Q^\dagger - 1\right)^2 = \frac{4}{H^2} \underbrace{Q Q^\dagger Q Q^\dagger}_{=0} - \frac{4}{H} Q Q^\dagger + 1 = 1$

c)  $\{W, Q\} = \left\{\frac{2}{H} Q Q^\dagger - 1, Q\right\} = \frac{2}{H} \underbrace{Q Q^\dagger Q}_{=0} - Q + \frac{2}{H} \underbrace{Q Q Q^\dagger}_{=0} - Q = 0$

$$\{W, Q^\dagger\} = \left\{\frac{2}{H} Q Q^\dagger - 1, Q^\dagger\right\} = \frac{2}{H} \underbrace{Q Q^\dagger Q^\dagger}_{=0} - Q^\dagger + \frac{2}{H} \underbrace{Q^\dagger Q Q^\dagger}_{=0} - Q^\dagger = 0$$

d)  $[W, H] = \left[\frac{2}{H} Q Q^\dagger - 1, H\right] = \frac{2}{H} Q Q^\dagger H - 2 H \frac{1}{H} Q Q^\dagger = 0$

e)  $W = \frac{2}{H} Q Q^\dagger - 1 = \frac{2}{H} (H - Q^\dagger Q) - 1 = 1 - \frac{2}{H} Q^\dagger Q$

$$\leadsto W = \frac{1}{H} (Q Q^\dagger - Q^\dagger Q) = \frac{[Q, Q^\dagger]}{\{Q, Q^\dagger\}}$$

with  $Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a_1 + i a_2), Q^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(a_1 - i a_2)$

$$Q Q^\dagger = \frac{1}{2}(a_1 + i a_2)(a_1 - i a_2) = \frac{1}{2}(a_1^2 + a_2^2) + \frac{i}{2}(a_2 a_1 - a_1 a_2)$$

$$Q^\dagger Q = \frac{1}{2}(a_1 - i a_2)(a_1 + i a_2) = \frac{1}{2}(a_1^2 + a_2^2) - \frac{i}{2}(a_2 a_1 - a_1 a_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow [Q, Q^\dagger] = i [a_2, a_1]$$

$$\leadsto W = \frac{1}{iH} [a_1, a_2]$$

### Exercise 3: Generalized "Fermionic" degree of freedom

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Remember:  $b := \frac{1}{\hbar} a^\dagger$ ,  $b^\dagger = \frac{1}{\hbar} a$

a)  $b^2 = \frac{1}{\hbar} a^\dagger a^\dagger = 0 = (b^\dagger)^2$

b)  $\{b, b^\dagger\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{\hbar} a^\dagger, \frac{1}{\hbar} a \right\} = \frac{1}{\hbar} \{a^\dagger, a\} = 1$

c)  $\mathcal{F} := b^\dagger b = \frac{1}{\hbar} a a^\dagger = \mathcal{F}^\dagger$

$$\mathcal{F}^2 = \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \underbrace{a a^\dagger a a^\dagger}_{\hbar a} = \frac{1}{\hbar} a a^\dagger = \mathcal{F}$$

$\leadsto \text{spec } \mathcal{F} = \{0, 1\}$

d)  $W = \frac{2}{\hbar} a a^\dagger - 1 = 2\mathcal{F} - 1 = (-1)^{\mathcal{F}+1}$

$\leadsto \text{spec } W = \left\{ \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Boson}}}{-1}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Fermion}}}{1} \right\}$

Matrix representation:

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad Q^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ A^\dagger & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} AA^\dagger & 0 \\ 0 & A^\dagger A \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} H_+ & 0 \\ 0 & H_- \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\leadsto \frac{1}{\hbar} H = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\hbar} H_+ & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\hbar} H_- \end{pmatrix} \quad \leadsto W = \frac{2}{\hbar} Q Q^\dagger - 1 = \frac{2}{\hbar} \begin{pmatrix} AA^\dagger & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - 1 = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - 1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{1}{\hbar} Q Q^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Exercise 4: On the matrix reps. of $N=2$ SUSY systems

• Witten operator in eigen basis:

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \chi^+ \\ \leftarrow \chi^- \end{matrix} \quad \chi = \chi^+ \oplus \chi^-$$

• General ansatz for supercharge:

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & A \\ B & \beta \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{matrix} d, d^+ : \chi^+ \rightarrow \chi^+ \\ \beta, \beta^+ : \chi^- \rightarrow \chi^- \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} A, B^+ : \chi^- \rightarrow \chi^+ \\ A^+, B : \chi^+ \rightarrow \chi^- \end{matrix}$$

$$a) \quad WQ = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & A \\ -B & -\beta \end{pmatrix} \quad QW = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & -A \\ B & -\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{with } \{W, Q\} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\alpha=0} \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{\beta=0}$$

$$b) \quad 0 \stackrel{!}{=} Q^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} AB & 0 \\ 0 & BA \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 \stackrel{!}{=} (Q^+)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B^+ \\ A^+ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B^+ \\ A^+ & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} B^+ A^+ & 0 \\ 0 & A^+ B^+ \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} AB=0=BA \\ A^+ B^+=0=B^+ A^+ \end{matrix}$$

$$c) \quad H = \{Q, Q^+\} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B^+ \\ A^+ & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B^+ \\ A^+ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} AA^+ + B^+ B & 0 \\ 0 & BB^+ + A^+ A \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$  System decouples into 2 independent  $N=2$  SUSY systems "A" and "B"

$$\text{Let } H_A := \begin{pmatrix} AA^+ & 0 \\ 0 & A^+ A \end{pmatrix} \quad H_B := \begin{pmatrix} B^+ B & 0 \\ 0 & BB^+ \end{pmatrix} \quad H = H_A + H_B$$

$$Q_A := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & A \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad Q_B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad Q = Q_A + Q_B$$

Homework: Proof that all A-operators commute with all B-operators

$\Rightarrow \{H, Q, Q^+, W, \chi\}$  decomposes into subsystems (independent)

$\{H_A, Q_A, Q_A^+, W_A, \chi\}$  and  $\{H_B, Q_B, Q_B^+, W_B, \chi\}$

$$W_A := \frac{2}{H_A} Q_A Q_A^+ - 1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = W$$

$$2 Q_B Q_B^+ - H_B = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ B & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B^+ \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} B^+ B & 0 \\ 0 & BB^+ \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & BB^+ \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} B^+ B & 0 \\ 0 & BB^+ \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -B^+ B & 0 \\ 0 & BB^+ \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= H_B \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = -H_B W \Rightarrow W_B := \frac{2}{H_B} Q_B Q_B^+ - 1 = -W$$

