

# Decompositions of Spin representations with respect to normalizers of spin subalgebras of low rank

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## Abstract

We determine the decompositions of the Spin representations under the normalizer subalgebras of certain isomorphic copies of spin subalgebras  $\mathfrak{spin}(r)$  within  $\mathfrak{spin}(d_r, m)$ , where  $d_r$  is the dimension of a real irreducible representation of the even Clifford algebra  $Cl_r^0$  of rank  $r$  (determined by the positive definite inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^r$ ), and  $r, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

## 1 Introduction

In this paper, we determine the decompositions of the Spin representations under the normalizer subalgebras  $N_{\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m)}(\mathfrak{spin}(r))$  of certain isomorphic copies of spin subalgebras  $\mathfrak{spin}(r)$  within  $\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m)$ , where  $d_r$  is the dimension of a real irreducible representation of the even Clifford algebra  $Cl_r^0$  of rank  $r$  (determined by the positive definite inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^r$ ), and  $r, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . The need to determine such decompositions arises in the geometries of Riemannian manifolds endowed with a even Clifford structures [7], and of Riemannian manifolds admitting spinorially twisted spin structures [?, 5].

The main idea is to rewrite the weights of the spin representations with respect to the ones of the normalizer subalgebras  $N_{\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m)}(\mathfrak{spin}(r))$ .

The paper is organized as follows.

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## 2 Preliminaries

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### 2.1 Representation theory of the classical Lie algebras

In this subsection we recall some results about the representation theory of the classical compact Lie groups and their Lie algebras [?].

#### 2.1.1 Root system of $U(m)$

For  $m \geq 2$ , let  $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m)$  denote the coordinate vectors of elements in the maximal torus  $\mathfrak{t}_{U(m)}$  of  $U(m)$ . The group  $U(m)$  has the following root system:

- Roots:  $\theta_\mu - \theta_\nu$ ,  $\mu \neq \nu$ ,  $1 \leq \mu, \nu \leq m$ .
- Positive roots:  $\theta_\mu - \theta_\nu$ ,  $\mu < \nu$ .
- Basis:  $\theta_\nu - \theta_{\nu+1}$ ,  $1 \leq \nu < m$ .
- Fundamental Weyl chamber:

$$\bar{K} = \{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m) : \theta_\nu \geq \theta_{\nu+1}, 1 \leq \nu < m\}.$$

- Sum of positive roots:

$$2\rho = \sum_{\nu=1}^m (m - 2\nu + 1)\theta_\nu.$$

#### 2.1.2 Root system of $SU(m)$

Consider  $SU(m) \subset U(m)$ , the coordinates, root system and fundamental chamber described above.

- The Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{su}(m)$  of  $SU(m)$  is the subspace given by

$$\mathfrak{t}_{SU(m)} = \{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m) : \theta_1 + \dots + \theta_m = 0\}.$$

- The integral lattice is given by

$$I = \mathbb{Z} \cap \mathfrak{t}_{SU(m)} = \{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m) : \theta_\nu \in \mathbb{Z}, \theta_1 + \dots + \theta_m = 0\}$$

#### 2.1.3 Root system of $SO(2m)$

For  $m \geq 2$ , the group  $SO(2m)$  has the following root system:

- Roots:  $\pm\theta_\mu \pm \theta_\nu$ ,  $1 \leq \mu < \nu \leq m$ .
- Positive roots:  $\theta_\mu \pm \theta_\nu$ ,  $1 \leq \mu < \nu \leq m$ .
- Basis:  $\theta_\nu - \theta_{\nu+1}$ ,  $1 \leq \nu < m$ ,  $\theta_{m-1} + \theta_m$ .
- Fundamental Weyl chamber:

$$\bar{K} = \{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m) : \theta_\nu \geq \theta_{\nu+1}, 1 \leq \nu < m, \theta_{\nu-1} \geq |\theta_m|\}.$$

- Sum of positive roots:

$$2\rho = \sum_{\nu=1}^m 2(m - \nu)\theta_\nu.$$

#### 2.1.4 Root system of $SO(2m+1)$

For  $m \geq 2$ , the group  $SO(2m+1)$  has the following root system:

- Roots:  $\pm\theta_\mu \pm \theta_\nu$ ,  $1 \leq \mu < \nu \leq m$  and  $\pm\theta_\nu$ ,  $1 \leq \nu \leq m$ .
- Positive roots:  $\theta_\mu \pm \theta_\nu$ ,  $1 \leq \mu < \nu \leq m$ , and  $\theta_\nu$ ,  $1 \leq \nu \leq m$
- Basis:  $\theta_\nu - \theta_{\nu+1}$ ,  $1 \leq \nu < m$ ,  $\theta_m$ .
- Fundamental Weyl chamber:

$$\bar{K} = \{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m) : \theta_\nu \geq \theta_{\nu+1}, 1 \leq \nu < m, \theta_m \geq 0\}.$$

- Sum of positive roots:

$$2\rho = \sum_{\nu=1}^m (2m - 2\nu + 1)\theta_\nu.$$

#### 2.1.5 Root system of $Sp(m)$

For  $m \geq 2$ , the group  $Sp(m)$  has the following root system:

- Roots:  $\pm\theta_\mu \pm \theta_\nu$ ,  $1 \leq \mu < \nu \leq m$ , and  $\pm 2\theta_m$ ,  $1 \leq \nu \leq m$ .
- Positive roots:  $\theta_\mu \pm \theta_\nu$ ,  $1 \leq \mu < \nu \leq m$ , and  $2\theta_m$ ,  $1 \leq \nu \leq m$ .
- Basis:  $\theta_\nu - \theta_{\nu+1}$ ,  $1 \leq \mu < \nu < m$ , and  $2\theta_m$ .
- Fundamental Weyl chamber:

$$\bar{K} = \{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m) : \theta_1 \geq \theta_2 \geq \dots \geq \theta_m \geq 0\}.$$

- Sum of positive roots:

$$2\rho = \sum_{\nu=1}^m 2(m - \nu + 1)\theta_\nu.$$

#### 2.1.6 Root system of $Spin(n)$

The root system of  $Spin(n)$  is that of  $SO(n)$ . The integral lattice of  $Spin(n)$  is given by

$$I = \left\{ (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{[n/2]}) : \theta_\nu \in \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq \nu \leq [n/2], \sum_{\nu=1}^{[n/2]} \theta_\nu \in 2\mathbb{Z} \right\}.$$

the lattice of integral forms of  $SPin(n)$  consists of linear forms

$$(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{[n/2]}) \mapsto x_1\theta_1 + \dots + x_{[n/2]}\theta_{[n/2]}$$

such that either

$$x_\nu \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{for all } \nu,$$

or

$$x_\nu + \frac{1}{2} \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{for all } \nu.$$

## 2.2 Clifford algebra

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In this section we recall material that can also be consulted in [4, 6]. Let  $Cl_n$  denote the Clifford algebra generated by all the products of the orthonormal vectors  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  subject to the relations

$$e_j e_k + e_k e_j = -2\delta_{jk}, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j, k \leq n.$$

We will often write

$$e_{1\dots s} := e_1 e_2 \cdots e_s.$$

Let

$$\mathbb{C}l_n = Cl_n \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C},$$

the complexification of  $Cl_n$ . It is well known that

$$\mathbb{C}l_n \cong \begin{cases} \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^{2^k}), & \text{if } n = 2k \\ \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^{2^k}) \otimes \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^{2^k}), & \text{if } n = 2k + 1 \end{cases},$$

where

$$\mathbb{C}^{2^k} = \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$$

the tensor product of  $k = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$  copies of  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Let us denote

$$\Delta_n = \mathbb{C}^{2^k},$$

and consider the map

$$\kappa : \mathbb{C}l_n \longrightarrow \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^{2^k})$$

which is an isomorphism for  $n$  even and the projection onto the first summand for  $n$  odd. In order to make  $\kappa_n$  explicit consider the following matrices with complex entries

$$Id = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g_1 = \begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{pmatrix}, \quad g_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now, consider the generators of the Clifford algebra  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  so that  $\kappa_n$  can be described as follows

$$\begin{aligned} e_1 &\mapsto Id \otimes Id \otimes \dots \otimes Id \otimes Id \otimes g_1 \\ e_2 &\mapsto Id \otimes Id \otimes \dots \otimes Id \otimes Id \otimes g_2 \\ e_3 &\mapsto Id \otimes Id \otimes \dots \otimes Id \otimes g_1 \otimes T \\ e_4 &\mapsto Id \otimes Id \otimes \dots \otimes Id \otimes g_2 \otimes T \\ &\vdots \\ &\dots \\ e_{2k-1} &\mapsto g_1 \otimes T \otimes \dots \otimes T \otimes T \otimes T \\ e_{2k} &\mapsto g_2 \otimes T \otimes \dots \otimes T \otimes T \otimes T, \end{aligned}$$

and the last generator

$$e_{2k+1} \mapsto iT \otimes T \otimes \dots \otimes T \otimes T \otimes T$$

if  $n = 2k + 1$ .

Let

$$u_{+1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, -i), \quad u_{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, i)$$

which forms an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  with respect to the standard Hermitian product. Note that

$$g_1(u_{\pm 1}) = iu_{\mp 1}, \quad g_2(u_{\pm 1}) = \pm u_{\mp 1}, \quad T(u_{\pm 1}) = \mp u_{\pm 1}.$$

Thus, we get a unitary basis of  $\Delta_n = \mathbb{C}^{2^k}$

$$\mathcal{B} = \{u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_k} = u_{\varepsilon_1} \otimes \dots \otimes u_{\varepsilon_k} \mid \varepsilon_j = \pm 1, j = 1, \dots, k\},$$

with respect to the induced Hermitian product on  $\mathbb{C}^{2^k}$ .

The Clifford multiplication of a vector  $e$  and a spinor  $\psi$  is defined by  $e \cdot \psi = \kappa_n(e)(\psi)$ . Thus, if  $1 \leq j \leq k$

$$\begin{aligned} e_{2j-1} \cdot u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_k} &= i(-1)^{j-1} \left( \prod_{\alpha=k-j+2}^k \varepsilon_\alpha \right) u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, (-\varepsilon_{k-j+1}), \dots, \varepsilon_k} \\ e_{2j} \cdot u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_k} &= (-1)^{j-1} \left( \prod_{\alpha=k-j+1}^k \varepsilon_\alpha \right) u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, (-\varepsilon_{k-j+1}), \dots, \varepsilon_k} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$e_{2k+1} \cdot u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_k} = i(-1)^k \left( \prod_{\alpha=1}^k \varepsilon_\alpha \right) u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_k}$$

if  $n = 2k + 1$  is odd.

The Spin group  $Spin(n) \subset Cl_n$  is the subset

$$Spin(n) = \{x_1 x_2 \cdots x_{2l-1} x_{2l} \mid x_j \in \mathbb{R}^n, |x_j| = 1, l \in \mathbb{N}\},$$

endowed with the product of the Clifford algebra. The Lie algebra of  $Spin(n)$  is

$$\mathfrak{spin}(n) = \text{span}\{e_i e_j \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}.$$

The restriction of  $\kappa$  to  $Spin(n)$  defines the Lie group representation

$$\kappa_n := \kappa|_{Spin(n)} : Spin(n) \longrightarrow GL(\Delta_n),$$

which is, in fact, special unitary [4].

There exist either real or quaternionic structures on the spin representations as described below [4]. A quaternionic structure  $\alpha$  on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  is given by

$$\alpha \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\bar{z}_2 \\ \bar{z}_1 \end{pmatrix},$$

and a real structure  $\beta$  on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  is given by

$$\beta \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{z}_1 \\ \bar{z}_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that these structures satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha(v), w \rangle &= \overline{\langle v, \alpha(w) \rangle}, & \langle \alpha(v), \alpha(w) \rangle &= \overline{\langle v, w \rangle}, \\ \langle \beta(v), w \rangle &= \overline{\langle v, \beta(w) \rangle}, & \langle \beta(v), \beta(w) \rangle &= \overline{\langle v, w \rangle}, \end{aligned}$$

with respect to the standard hermitian product in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ , where  $v, w \in \mathbb{C}^2$ . The real and quaternionic structures  $\gamma_n$  on  $\Delta_n = (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes [n/2]}$  are built as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_n &= (\alpha \otimes \beta)^{\otimes 2k} & \text{if } n = 8k, 8k + 1 & \quad (\text{real}), \\ \gamma_n &= \alpha \otimes (\beta \otimes \alpha)^{\otimes 2k} & \text{if } n = 8k + 2, 8k + 3 & \quad (\text{quaternionic}), \\ \gamma_n &= (\alpha \otimes \beta)^{\otimes 2k+1} & \text{if } n = 8k + 4, 8k + 5 & \quad (\text{quaternionic}), \\ \gamma_n &= \alpha \otimes (\beta \otimes \alpha)^{\otimes 2k+1} & \text{if } n = 8k + 6, 8k + 7 & \quad (\text{real}). \end{aligned}$$



can be achieved by using the element

$$e_1(-\cos(\eta_1/2)e_1 + \sin(\eta_1/2)e_2) = \cos(\eta_1/2) + \sin(\eta_1/2)e_1e_2 \in Spin(n)$$

as follows

$$\begin{aligned} & (\cos(\eta_1/2) + \sin(\eta_1/2)e_1e_2)y(\cos(\eta_1/2) + \sin(\eta_1/2)e_1e_2) \\ &= (y_1 \cos(\eta_1) - y_2 \sin(\eta_1))e_1 + (y_1 \sin(\eta_1) + y_2 \cos(\eta_1))e_2 + y_3e_3 + \cdots + y_n e_n, \end{aligned}$$

for  $y = y_1e_1 + \cdots + y_n e_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Thus we see that the corresponding element in  $Spin(n)$  is exactly

$$\cos(\eta_1/2) + \sin(\eta_1/2)e_1e_2.$$

Furthermore, we can see that a maximal torus of  $Spin(n)$  is given by the elements

$$t(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_k) = \prod_{j=1}^k (\cos(\eta_j/2) + \sin(\eta_j/2)e_{2j-1}e_{2j}),$$

where  $k = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ . By using the explicit description of the isomorphisms given above, we can check that

$$t(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_k) \cdot u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_k} = e^{\frac{i}{2} \sum_{j=1}^k \varepsilon_{k-j} \eta_j} \cdot u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_k},$$

i.e. the basis vectors  $u_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_k}$  are weight vectors of the spin representation with weight

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^k \varepsilon_{k-j} \eta_j,$$

which in coordinate vectors with respect to the basis  $\{\eta_j\}$  are the well known expressions

$$\left( \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \pm \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

It will be these weights that will be rewritten with respect to the coordinates of the tori of the normalizers of spin subalgebras.

### 2.3 Clifford and Spin representations

Now, we summarize some results about real representations of  $Cl_r^0$  in the next table (cf. [6]). Here  $d_r$  denotes the dimension of an irreducible representation of  $Cl_r^0$  and  $v_r$  the number of distinct irreducible representations.

$r \pmod{8}$	$Cl_r^0$	$d_r$	$v_r$
1	$\mathbb{R}(d_r)$	$2^{\lfloor \frac{r}{2} \rfloor}$	1
2	$\mathbb{C}(d_r/2)$	$2^{\frac{r}{2}}$	1
3	$\mathbb{H}(d_r/4)$	$2^{\lfloor \frac{r}{2} \rfloor + 1}$	1
4	$\mathbb{H}(d_r/4) \oplus \mathbb{H}(d_r/4)$	$2^{\frac{r}{2}}$	2
5	$\mathbb{H}(d_r/4)$	$2^{\lfloor \frac{r}{2} \rfloor + 1}$	1
6	$\mathbb{C}(d_r/2)$	$2^{\frac{r}{2}}$	1
7	$\mathbb{R}(d_r)$	$2^{\lfloor \frac{r}{2} \rfloor}$	1
8	$\mathbb{R}(d_r) \oplus \mathbb{R}(d_r)$	$2^{\frac{r}{2} - 1}$	2

Table 1

Let  $\tilde{\Delta}_r$  denote the irreducible representation of  $Cl_r^0$  for  $r \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and  $\tilde{\Delta}_r^\pm$  denote the irreducible representations for  $r \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . Note that the representations are complex for  $r \equiv 2, 6 \pmod{8}$  and quaternionic for  $r \equiv 3, 4, 5 \pmod{8}$ . It is interesting to note that these features are reflected in the main results of the paper.

Note also that if  $r \equiv 4, 6, 7, 8 \pmod{8}$  then  $d_r = d_{r-1}$  and if  $r \equiv 1, 2, 3, 5 \pmod{8}$  then  $d_r = 2d_{r-1}$ . By restricting to a standard subalgebra  $Cl_{r-1}^0 \subset Cl_r^0$ , the representations decompose as follows:

$r \pmod{8}$	$\tilde{\Delta}_r _{Cl_{r-1}^0}$
1	$\tilde{\Delta}_r \cong \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}^+ + \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}^-$
2	$\tilde{\Delta}_r \cong \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1} + \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}$
3	$\tilde{\Delta}_r \cong \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1} + \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}$
4	$\tilde{\Delta}_r^\pm \cong \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}$
5	$\tilde{\Delta}_r \cong \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}^+ + \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}^-$
6	$\tilde{\Delta}_r \cong \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}$
7	$\tilde{\Delta}_r \cong \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}$
8	$\tilde{\Delta}_r^\pm \cong \tilde{\Delta}_{r-1}$

Table 2

## 2.4 Normalizers

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Due to geometric considerations in [7, 5], we will consider  $\mathfrak{spin}(r)$  embedded in  $\mathfrak{so}(N)$  in the following way. Suppose that  $Cl_r^0$  is represented on  $\mathbb{R}^N$ , for some  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , in such a way that each bivector  $e_i e_j$  is mapped to an antisymmetric endomorphism  $J_{ij}$  satisfying

$$J_{ij}^2 = -\text{Id}_{\mathbb{R}^N}. \quad (4) \quad \boxed{\text{eq:almost-complex-st}}$$

**Normalizer of  $\mathfrak{spin}(r)$  in  $\mathfrak{so}(d_r m)$ ,  $r \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ ,  $r > 1$**

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Let us assume  $r \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ ,  $r > 1$ . In this case,  $\mathbb{R}^N$  decomposes into a sum of irreducible representations of  $Cl_r^0$ . Since this algebra is simple, such irreducible representations can only be trivial or copies of the standard representation  $\tilde{\Delta}_r$  of  $Cl_r^0$  (cf. [6]). Due to (4), there are no trivial summands in such a decomposition so that

$$\mathbb{R}^N = \underbrace{\tilde{\Delta}_r \oplus \cdots \oplus \tilde{\Delta}_r}_{m \text{ times}},$$

for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . By restricting to  $\mathfrak{spin}(r) \subset Cl_r^0$ ,

$$\mathbb{R}^N = \tilde{\Delta}_r \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{R}^m,$$

we see that  $N = d_r m$  and  $\mathfrak{spin}(r)$  has an isomorphic image

$$\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)} = \mathfrak{spin}(r) \otimes \{\text{Id}_{m \times m}\} \subset \mathfrak{so}(d_r m),$$

which is the subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{so}(d_r m)$  whose centralizer  $C_{\mathfrak{so}(d_r m)}(\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)})$  and normalizer  $N_{\mathfrak{so}(d_r m)}(\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)})$  are given in the following theorem.

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**Theorem 2.1** [1] *Let  $r \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  and let  $\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)} \subset \mathfrak{so}(d_r, m)$  as described before. The centralizer and normalizer of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)}$  in  $\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m)$  are isomorphic to*

$r \pmod{8}$	$C_{\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m)}(\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)})$	$N_{\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m)}(\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)})$
$\pm 1$	$\mathfrak{so}(m)$	$\mathfrak{so}(m) \oplus \mathfrak{spin}(r)$
$\pm 2$	$\mathfrak{u}(m)$	$\mathfrak{u}(m) \oplus \mathfrak{spin}(r)$
$\pm 3$	$\mathfrak{sp}(m)$	$\mathfrak{sp}(m) \oplus \mathfrak{spin}(r)$

**Normalizer of  $\mathfrak{spin}(r)$  in  $\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m_1 + d_r, m_2)$ ,  $r \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$**

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Let us assume  $r \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . Recall that if  $\hat{\Delta}_r$  is the irreducible representation of  $Cl_r$ , then by restricting this representation to  $Cl_r^0$  it splits as the sum of two inequivalent irreducible representations

$$\hat{\Delta}_r = \tilde{\Delta}_r^+ \oplus \tilde{\Delta}_r^-.$$

Since  $\mathbb{R}^N$  is a representation of  $Cl_r^0$  satisfying (4), there are no trivial summands in such a decomposition so that

$$\mathbb{R}^N = \tilde{\Delta}_r^+ \otimes \mathbb{R}^{m_1} \oplus \tilde{\Delta}_r^- \otimes \mathbb{R}^{m_2},$$

for some  $m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ . By restricting this representation to  $\mathfrak{spin}(r) \subset Cl_r^0$ , consider

$$\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)} = \mathfrak{spin}(r)^+ \otimes (\text{Id}_{m_1 \times m_1} \oplus \mathbf{0}_{m_2 \times m_2}) \oplus \mathfrak{spin}(r)^- \otimes (\mathbf{0}_{m_1 \times m_1} \oplus \text{Id}_{m_2 \times m_2}) \subset \mathfrak{so}(d_r, m_1 + d_r, m_2),$$

where  $\mathfrak{spin}(r)^\pm$  are the images of  $\mathfrak{spin}(r)$  in  $\text{End}(\tilde{\Delta}_r^\pm)$  respectively.

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**Theorem 2.2** [1] *Let  $r \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . The centralizer and normalizer of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)}$  in  $\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m_1 + d_r, m_2)$  are isomorphic to*

$r \pmod{8}$	$C_{\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m_1 + d_r, m_2)}(\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)})$	$N_{\mathfrak{so}(d_r, m_1 + d_r, m_2)}(\widehat{\mathfrak{spin}(r)})$
0	$\mathfrak{so}(m_1) \oplus \mathfrak{so}(m_2)$	$\mathfrak{so}(m_1) \oplus \mathfrak{so}(m_2) \oplus \mathfrak{spin}(r)$
4	$\mathfrak{sp}(m_1) \oplus \mathfrak{sp}(m_2)$	$\mathfrak{sp}(m_1) \oplus \mathfrak{sp}(m_2) \oplus \mathfrak{spin}(r)$



with respect to the isomorphism

$$U(m) \cong U(1) \times_{\mathbb{Z}_m} SU(m),$$

where  $L$  and  $E$  denote the fundamental 1-dimensional and  $m$ -dimensional representations of  $U(1)$  and  $SU(m)$  respectively. The standard maximal torus of  $U(m)$  factors accordingly as

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta_1} & & & \\ & e^{i\theta_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & e^{i\theta_m} \end{pmatrix} = e^{i\theta'} \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta'_1} & & & \\ & e^{i\theta'_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & e^{-i(\theta'_1 + \dots + \theta'_{m-1})} \end{pmatrix}$$

so that

$$\eta_j = \theta_j = \theta' + \theta'_j$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, m-1$ , and

$$\eta_m = \theta_m = \theta' - (\theta'_1 + \dots + \theta'_{m-1})$$

Note that each weight

$$\pm \frac{\eta_1}{2} \pm \dots \pm \frac{\eta_{m-1}}{2} + \frac{\eta_m}{2}$$

of the spin representation can be written as

$$\pm \frac{\eta_1}{2} \pm \dots \pm \frac{\eta_{m-1}}{2} + \frac{\eta_m}{2} = \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\eta_j}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\eta_j}{2} + \frac{\eta_m}{2},$$

where  $I \subset \{1, \dots, m-1\}$  and  $\bar{I} = \{1, \dots, m-1\} - I$ . By substituting we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\eta_j}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\eta_j}{2} + \frac{\eta_m}{2} &= \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\theta' + \theta'_j}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta' + \theta'_j}{2} + \frac{\theta' - (\theta'_1 + \dots + \theta'_{m-1})}{2} \\ &= \frac{(|I| - |\bar{I}| + 1)\theta'}{2} + \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} - \left( \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} + \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{(|I| - (m-1 - |I|) + 1)\theta'}{2} + \left( \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} \right) - \left( \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} + \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{(2|I| - m + 2)\theta'}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \theta'_j. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for the weights

$$\pm \frac{\eta_1}{2} \pm \dots \pm \frac{\eta_{m-1}}{2} - \frac{\eta_m}{2}$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\eta_j}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\eta_j}{2} - \frac{\eta_m}{2} &= \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\theta' + \theta'_j}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta' + \theta'_j}{2} - \frac{\theta' - (\theta'_1 + \dots + \theta'_{m-1})}{2} \\ &= \frac{(|I| - |\bar{I}| - 1)\theta'}{2} + \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} + \left( \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} + \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{(|I| - (m-1 - |I|) - 1)\theta'}{2} + \left( \sum_{j \in I} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} + \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} \right) - \left( \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}} \frac{\theta'_j}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{(2|I| - m)}{2} \theta' + \sum_{j \in I} \theta_j''.$$

From here we recognize:

- the  $U(1)$  representation needs to have a square root if  $m$  is odd;
- the weights  $\frac{(2|I|-m)}{2} \theta'$  correspond to tensor powers of the line  $L^{1/2}$ ;
- the weights  $\pm \sum_{j \in I} \theta_j''$  correspond to pieces of the characters of exterior powers of  $E$ .

Thus, we have recognized that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{2m} &\cong \bigoplus_{j=0}^m (L^{1/2})^{\otimes m-2j} \otimes \wedge^j E \\ &\cong \bigoplus_{j=0}^m (L^{1/2})^{\otimes m-2j} \otimes V^{\mathfrak{su}(m)}(\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_j, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{m-1-j}), \end{aligned}$$

which is consistent with the description given in in [8, Section 3]. Note that the numbers

$$[m/2 - j] + 1 \times j + 0 \times (m - 1 - j) = m/2.$$





### 3.3 $r = 4$

Recall that  $\mathfrak{spin}(4) \cong \mathfrak{sp}(1)_1 \oplus \mathfrak{sp}(1)_2$  and

$$N_{\mathfrak{so}(4m)}(\mathfrak{spin}(4)) = \mathfrak{sp}(m_1) \oplus \mathfrak{sp}(m_2) \oplus \mathfrak{spin}(4).$$

for some  $m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $m_1 + m_2 = m$ . In this case

$$\mathbb{R}^{4m} = \mathbb{R}^{m_1} \otimes \tilde{\Delta}_4^+ \oplus \mathbb{R}^{m_2} \otimes \tilde{\Delta}_4^-$$

and

$$\mathbb{R}^{4m} \otimes \mathbb{C} \cong E_1 \otimes H_1 \oplus E_2 \otimes H_2$$

where  $E_j = \mathbb{C}^{2m}$  and  $H_j = \mathbb{C}^2$  are the standard representations of  $\mathfrak{sp}(m_j)$  and  $\mathfrak{sp}(1)_j$  respectively. From the explicit description of the spinor representation we can see that

$$\Delta_{4m} \cong \Delta_{4m_2} \otimes \Delta_{4m_1}$$

so that the restriction to  $N_{\mathfrak{so}(4m)}(\mathfrak{spin}(4))$  factors as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{4m} &= \left( \bigoplus_{j=0}^{m_2} \bigwedge_0^{m_2-j} E_2 \otimes S^j H_2 \right) \otimes \left( \bigoplus_{k=0}^{m_1} \bigwedge_0^{m_1-k} E_1 \otimes S^k H_1 \right) \\ &= \left( \bigoplus_{j=0}^{m_2} \bigwedge_0^{m_2-j} E_2 \otimes S^j H_2 \right) \otimes \left( \bigoplus_{k=0}^{m_1} \bigwedge_0^{m_1-k} E_1 \otimes S^k H_1 \right). \\ &= \left( \bigoplus_{j=0}^{m_2} V^{\mathfrak{sp}(m_2)}(\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{m_2-j}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_j) \otimes V^{\mathfrak{sp}(1)_2}(j) \right) \otimes \left( \bigoplus_{k=0}^{m_1} V^{\mathfrak{sp}(m_1)}(\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{m_1-k}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_k) \otimes V^{\mathfrak{sp}(1)_1}(k) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Note that the numbers

$$(1 \times (m_2 - j) + 0 \times j + [j]) + (1 \times (m_1 - k) + 0 \times k + [k]) = m_1 + m_2 = m.$$









where  $L$  and  $E''$  denote the fundamental 1-dimensional and  $m$ -dimensional representations of  $U(1)$  and  $SU(m)$  respectively. The standard maximal torus of  $U(m)$  factors accordingly as

$$\begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta_1} & & & \\ & e^{i\theta_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & e^{i\theta_m} \end{pmatrix} = e^{i\theta'} \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta'_1} & & & \\ & e^{i\theta'_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & e^{-i(\theta'_1 + \dots + \theta'_{m-1})} \end{pmatrix}$$

so that

$$\theta_j = \theta' + \theta''_j$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, m-1$ , and

$$\theta_m = \theta' - (\theta''_1 + \dots + \theta''_{m-1})$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{4j-3} &= \theta' + \theta''_j + \varphi_3, \\ \eta_{4j-2} &= \theta' + \theta''_j + \varphi_2, \\ \eta_{4j-1} &= \theta' + \theta''_j + \varphi_1, \\ \eta_{4j} &= \theta' + \theta''_j - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3, \end{aligned}$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, m-1$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{4m-3} &= \theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} + \varphi_3, \\ \eta_{4m-2} &= \theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} + \varphi_2, \\ \eta_{4m-1} &= \theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} + \varphi_1, \\ \eta_{4m} &= \theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3. \end{aligned}$$

Note that each weight

$$\begin{aligned} \pm \frac{\eta_1}{2} \pm \dots \pm \frac{\eta_{4m}}{2} &= \sum_{a=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \left( \pm \frac{\eta_{4j-a}}{2} \right) + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \left( \pm \frac{\eta_{4j}}{2} \right) \pm \frac{\eta_{4m-3}}{2} \pm \frac{\eta_{4m-2}}{2} \pm \frac{\eta_{4m-1}}{2} \pm \frac{\eta_{4m}}{2} \\ &= \sum_{a=1}^3 \left( \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \pm \frac{\theta' + \theta''_j + \varphi_a}{2} \right) \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \left( \pm \frac{\theta' + \theta''_j - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2} \right) \\ &\quad \pm \frac{\theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} + \varphi_3}{2} \\ &\quad \pm \frac{\theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} + \varphi_2}{2} \\ &\quad \pm \frac{\theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} + \varphi_1}{2} \\ &\quad \pm \frac{\theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2} \\ &= \sum_{a=1}^3 \left( \sum_{j \in I_a} \frac{\theta' + \theta''_j + \varphi_a}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_a} \frac{\theta' + \theta''_j + \varphi_a}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left( \sum_{j \in I_0} \frac{\theta' + \theta''_j - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_0} \frac{\theta' + \theta''_j - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2} \right) \\
& \pm \frac{\theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} + \varphi_3}{2} \\
& \pm \frac{\theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} + \varphi_2}{2} \\
& \pm \frac{\theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} + \varphi_1}{2} \\
& \pm \frac{\theta' - \theta''_1 - \dots - \theta''_{m-1} - \varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2}
\end{aligned}$$



### 3.6.1 $m$ even

Let us suppose  $m = 2p$ . By taking the Kronecker product of these matrices we can identify

$$\begin{aligned}
\eta_{8j-7} &= \theta_j + \frac{\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
\eta_{8j-6} &= \theta_j + \frac{-\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
\eta_{8j-5} &= \theta_j + \frac{\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
\eta_{8j-4} &= \theta_j + \frac{-\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
\eta_{8j-3} &= \theta_j + \frac{\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2}, \\
\eta_{8j-2} &= \theta_j + \frac{-\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2}, \\
\eta_{8j-1} &= \theta_j + \frac{\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2}, \\
\eta_{8j} &= \theta_j + \frac{-\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2},
\end{aligned}$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, p$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{j=1}^{4m} \left( \pm \frac{\eta_j}{2} \right) &= \sum_{a=0}^7 \sum_{j=1}^m \left( \pm \frac{\eta_{8j-a}}{2} \right) \\
&= \sum_{a=0}^7 \left( \sum_{j \in I_a} \frac{\eta_{8j-a}}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_a} \frac{\eta_{8j-a}}{2} \right) \\
&= \sum_{j \in I_0} \frac{\eta_{8j}}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_0} \frac{\eta_{8j}}{2} \\
&\quad + \sum_{j \in I_1} \frac{\eta_{8j-1}}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_1} \frac{\eta_{8j-1}}{2} \\
&\quad + \sum_{j \in I_2} \frac{\eta_{8j-2}}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_2} \frac{\eta_{8j-2}}{2} \\
&\quad + \sum_{j \in I_3} \frac{\eta_{8j-3}}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_3} \frac{\eta_{8j-3}}{2} \\
&\quad + \sum_{j \in I_4} \frac{\eta_{8j-4}}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_4} \frac{\eta_{8j-4}}{2} \\
&\quad + \sum_{j \in I_5} \frac{\eta_{8j-5}}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_5} \frac{\eta_{8j-5}}{2} \\
&\quad + \sum_{j \in I_6} \frac{\eta_{8j-6}}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_6} \frac{\eta_{8j-6}}{2} \\
&\quad + \sum_{j \in I_7} \frac{\eta_{8j-7}}{2} - \sum_{j \in \bar{I}_7} \frac{\eta_{8j-7}}{2}.
\end{aligned}$$

### 3.6.2 $m$ odd

Now, let us suppose  $m = 2p + 1$ . By taking the Kronecker product of these matrices we can identify

$$\begin{aligned}
 \eta_{8j-7} &= \theta_j + \frac{\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{8j-6} &= \theta_j + \frac{-\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{8j-5} &= \theta_j + \frac{\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{8j-4} &= \theta_j + \frac{-\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{8j-3} &= \theta_j + \frac{\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{8j-2} &= \theta_j + \frac{-\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{8j-1} &= \theta_j + \frac{\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{8j} &= \theta_j + \frac{-\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 - \varphi_3}{2},
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $j = 1, \dots, p$ , and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \eta_{4m-3} &= \frac{\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{4m-2} &= \frac{-\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{4m-1} &= \frac{\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}, \\
 \eta_{4m} &= \frac{-\varphi_1 - \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}{2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

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