

# Polynomial Representations of the Lie superalgebra $\mathfrak{osp}(1|2n)$

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# Representation Theory of $\mathfrak{osp}(1|2n)$

- Classify the representations.
- Find character formulas.
- Construct bases.
- Calculate matrix elements.
- Formulate inner products.

What do we know about  $\mathfrak{osp}(1|2n)$  representations?:

- Finite dimensional representations:
  - Classified and characters are understood. [Kac; 1977]
- Infinite dimensional representations:
  - Lowest weight representations: Classified and characters are mostly understood. [Dobrev, Zhang; 2006].
  - Paraboson Fock representations: Character formula, basis and matrix elements("abstract"). [Lievens, Stoilova, Van der Jeugt; 2008]

## Definition of $\mathfrak{osp}(1|2n)$

- Definition as a matrix algebra [Kac; 1977].
- Definition as a superalgebra by means of generators and relations [Ganchev, Palev; 1980]:  
Odd generators

$$b_i^+, b_i^-, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

satisfying

$$[\{b_i^\xi, b_j^\eta\}, b_l^\epsilon] = (\epsilon - \xi)\delta_{i,l}b_j^\eta + (\epsilon - \eta)\delta_{j,l}b_i^\xi,$$

for  $i, j, l \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\eta, \epsilon, \xi \in \{+, -\}$ , to be interpreted as  $\pm 1$  in the algebraic relations.

We can interpret  $b_i^+$  and  $b_i^-$  as **parabosonic** creation and annihilation operators.

# Parabosonic Fock space

## Definition 1

For  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ , the paraboson Fock space is an  $\mathfrak{osp}(1|2n)$  irrep. with unique vacuum  $|0\rangle$  satisfying

$$b_i^+ |0\rangle = 0 \text{ and } \frac{1}{2} \{ b_i^-, b_i^+ \} |0\rangle = \frac{p}{2} |0\rangle, \quad (i \in \{1, \dots, n\}).$$

$\mathbb{C}[\mathbb{R}^{np}]$  polynomials in  $n \cdot p$  variables,  $x_{i,j}$ ,

$\mathcal{Cl}_p$  Clifford algebra generated by  $e_j$ , satisfying  $\{e_i, e_j\} = 2\delta_{ij}$ .

Then  $\mathfrak{osp}(1|2n)$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbb{R}^{np}] \otimes \mathcal{Cl}_p$  with,

$$b_i^+ \mapsto X_i = \sum_{j=1}^p \underbrace{x_{i,j} e_j}_{\text{Green's ansatz}}, \quad \text{and} \quad b_i^- \mapsto D_i = \sum_{j=1}^p \underbrace{\partial_{x_{i,j}} e_j}_{\text{Green's ansatz}}$$

# Polynomial Representation

Let  $W(\mu + \frac{p}{2})$  be the  $\mathfrak{osp}(1|2n)$  irrep. with a (not necessarily unique) vacuum vector  $|\mu; 0\rangle$  satisfying

$$\frac{1}{2}\{b_i^-, b_i^+\}|\mu; 0\rangle = (\mu + \frac{p}{2})|\mu; 0\rangle, \quad (i \in \{1, \dots, n\}).$$

Decomposition [Cheng, Kwong, Wang; 2010], [Salom; 2013]:

$$\mathbb{C}[\mathbb{R}^{np}] \otimes \mathcal{C}\ell_p = \bigoplus_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}} m_{\mu + \frac{p}{2}} W(\mu + \frac{p}{2}),$$

with  $m_{\mu + \frac{p}{2}}$  being the multiplicities.

The case  $\mu = 0$  gives a paraboson Fock space. Let  $|0; 0\rangle \mapsto 1$ , then

$$\frac{1}{2}\{D_i, X_i\}(1) = \frac{p}{2}, \quad (i \in \{1, \dots, n\}),$$

$$W(\frac{p}{2}) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{C}}\{X_1^{k_1} \cdots X_n^{k_n}(1) : k_1, \dots, k_n \in \mathbb{N}_0\}.$$

# Character Formula

$\mathcal{P}$  Set of all partitions.  $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$ ,  $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_k$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$

$\ell(\lambda)$  Length of  $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}$ .  $\lambda_{\ell(\lambda)} > 0$ ,  $\lambda_I = 0$ ,  $I > \ell(\lambda)$

$s_\lambda$  Schur function of the partition  $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}$

$K_{\lambda\mu}$  Kostka numbers for  $\lambda \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$

Theorem (Lievens, Stoilova, Van der Jeugt; 2008)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{char } W\left(\frac{p}{2}\right) &= (t_1 \cdots t_n)^{p/2} \sum_{\lambda \in \mathcal{P}, \ell(\lambda) \leq p} s_\lambda(t_1, \dots, t_n) \\ &= (t_1 \cdots t_n)^{p/2} \sum_{\lambda \in \mathcal{P}, \ell(\lambda) \leq p} \sum_{\mu \in \mathbb{N}_0^n} K_{\lambda\mu} t_1^{\mu_1} \cdots t_n^{\mu_n} \end{aligned}$$

# Weight Spaces

## Definition

$$\text{char } W\left(\frac{p}{2}\right) = (t_1 \cdots t_n)^{p/2} \sum_{\mu \in \mathbb{N}_0^n} \dim W\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)_{\mu + \frac{p}{2}} t_1^{\mu_1} \cdots t_n^{\mu_n}.$$

So for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$

$$\dim W\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)_{\mu + \frac{p}{2}} = \sum_{\lambda \in \mathcal{P}, \ell(\lambda) \leq p} K_{\lambda\mu}$$

$K_{\lambda\mu} := \#\{\text{Semistandard Young Tableaux of shape } \lambda \text{ and weight } \mu\}$

$$< \underbrace{\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & 3 & 4 & \\ \hline 5 & 5 & & \\ \hline \end{array}}_{\leq}, \quad \lambda = (4, 3, 2), \text{ and } \mu = (2, 2, 1, 2, 2)$$

# Young Tableaux and Basis

$$\mathbb{Y}(p) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{S.s. Young Tableaux of at most } p \text{ rows,} \\ \text{and weight in } \mathbb{N}_0^n \end{array} \right\}$$

There exists a basis for  $W(\frac{p}{2})$ :

- Consisting of vectors  $\nu_A$ , for  $A \in \mathbb{Y}(p)$ .
- Tableaux  $A \in \mathbb{Y}(p)$  of weight  $\mu$ , gives

$$\nu_A \in W\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)_{\mu + \frac{p}{2}}.$$

# Tableaux Vectors

$i_1$
$i_2$
:
$i_k$

$$\rightarrow I = (i_1, \dots, i_k) \rightarrow X_I := \sum_{\sigma \in S_k} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) X_{i_{\sigma(1)}} \cdots X_{i_{\sigma(k)}}$$

## Definition

For  $A = (A[1], \dots, A[l]) \in \mathbb{Y}(p)$ , s.s. Young tableau with  $l$  columns, define

$$\omega_A := X_{A[l]} X_{A[l-1]} \cdots X_{A[1]}(1).$$

## Remark

For each  $I$ ,  $X_I = 0$  iff  $k > p$ .

# Basis Vectors

$$A = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & 3 & 4 & \\ \hline 5 & 5 & & \\ \hline \end{array} \mapsto \omega_A = X_4 X_{(2,4)} X_{(1,3,5)} X_{(1,2,5)}(1).$$

## Theorem

$W\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)$  has basis

$$\{\omega_A \in W\left(\frac{p}{2}\right) : A \in \mathbb{Y}(p)\},$$

with  $\omega_A \in W\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)_{\mu_A + \frac{p}{2}}$ .

Proof strategy:

Construct a total order  $<$  on  $\mathbb{Y}(p)$  such that

$$\omega_A \notin \text{span}\{\omega_B : B \in \mathbb{Y}(p), B < A\}.$$

# Monomial Expansion

$M_{n,p}(\mathbb{N}_0)$ ,  $n$  by  $p$  positive integer matrices

$$\gamma \in M_{n,p}(\mathbb{N}_0)$$

$$\mu_\gamma = \sum_{j=1}^p (\mu_{1,j}, \dots, \mu_{n,j}), \quad \text{and} \quad \eta_\gamma = \sum_{i=1}^n (\mu_{i,1}, \dots, \mu_{i,p})$$

$$x^\gamma = \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^p x_{i,j}^{\gamma_{i,j}} \quad \text{and} \quad e^{\eta_\gamma} = e_1^{(\eta_\gamma)_1} \cdots e_p^{(\eta_\gamma)_p}.$$

## Proposition

For  $A \in \mathbb{Y}(p)$  of shape  $\lambda_A \in \mathcal{P}$ ,

$$\omega_A = (\lambda_A)'_1! \cdots (\lambda_A)'_{(\lambda_A)_1}! \sum_{\substack{\gamma \in M_{n,p}(\mathbb{N}_0) \\ \mu_A = \mu_\gamma}} c_A(\gamma) x^\gamma e^{\eta_\gamma}$$

# Monomial Coefficients

$A^k \in \mathbb{Y}(p)$   $k$ 'th subtableaux of  $A \in \mathbb{Y}(p)$ ,

$$A = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & 3 & 4 & \\ \hline \end{array} \implies A^4 = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & 3 & 4 & \\ \hline \end{array}, A^3 = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 2 \\ \hline 2 & 3 & \\ \hline \end{array}, A^2 = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & \\ \hline \end{array}, A^1 = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

## Theorem

Let  $A \in \mathbb{Y}(p)_n(p)$ ,  $\sigma \in S_{\mu_A}$  and  $\gamma \in M_{n,p}(\mathbb{N}_0)$  with  $\mu_\gamma = \mu_A$ .

$$c_A(\gamma) = \frac{1}{(\eta_\gamma)_1! \cdots (\eta_\gamma)_p!} \sum_{\sigma \in S_{\mu_A}} \operatorname{sgn}(\sigma) (-1)^{N_A(\gamma)} \prod_{\alpha=1}^p \operatorname{sgn}(L_A(\sigma, \alpha))$$

The values  $N_A(\gamma)$  and  $L_A(\sigma, \alpha)$  being combinatorial expressions in

$\gamma \in M_{n,p}(\mathbb{N}_0)$ ,  $\lambda_{A^1}, \dots, \lambda_{A^n} \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $\sigma \in S_{(\mu_A)_1} \times \cdots \times S_{(\mu_A)_n}$

# Leading Monomial

## Proposition

For  $A, B \in \mathbb{Y}(p)$ ,  $B < A$ , then  $c_A(\gamma) \in \mathbb{Z}$  for all  $\gamma \in M_{n,p}(\mathbb{N}_0)$  and

- a)  $c_A(\gamma_A) \neq 0$
- b)  $c_B(\gamma_A) = 0$

Where

$$\begin{aligned} (\gamma_A)_{i,j} &= \#\{\text{Number of } i\text{'s in the } j\text{'th row of } A\} \\ &= (\lambda_{A^i})_j - (\lambda_{A^{i-1}})_j \end{aligned}$$

$$d_\mu := \dim W\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)_{\mu+\frac{p}{2}}.$$

$\{A_1, \dots, A_{d_\mu}\} \subset \mathbb{Y}(p)$ , tableaux of weight  $\mu$  s.t.

$$A_1 < \dots < A_{d_\mu}.$$

# Action on Basis Elements

Inner product on  $W(\frac{p}{2}) \subset \mathbb{C}[\mathbb{R}^{np}] \otimes \mathcal{C}\ell_p$ :

$$\langle x^\gamma e^\eta, x^{\gamma'} e^{\eta'} \rangle := \delta_{\gamma, \gamma'} \delta_{\eta, \eta'}.$$

For  $v \in W(\frac{p}{2})$  and  $k, l \in \{1, \dots, d_\mu\}$ ,

$$(U_\mu)_{k,l} = c_{A_k}(\gamma_{A_l}), \quad \text{and} \quad f_\mu(v)_l = \langle x^{\gamma_{A_l}} e^{\eta_{\gamma_{A_l}}}, v \rangle$$

$$\bar{\omega}_B = \frac{1}{(\lambda_B)_1! \cdots (\lambda_B)_n!} \omega_B.$$

## Proposition

The matrix  $U_\mu$  is integer and upper triangular, and for any  $v \in \dim(W_n(p))_{\mu + \frac{p}{2}}$ ,

$$v = \sum_{k=1}^{d_\mu} (U_\mu^{-1}(f_\mu(v))_k \bar{\omega}_{A_l}.$$

# Action on Basis Elements

$$X_i \bar{\omega}_A \in W_n(p)_{\mu_A + \epsilon_i + \frac{p}{2}}, \quad \text{and} \quad D_i \bar{\omega}_A \in W_n(p)_{\mu_A - \epsilon_i + \frac{p}{2}}.$$

## Proposition

Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{Y}(p)$  and  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Then

$$\langle x^{\gamma_A} e^{\eta_{\gamma_A}}, X_i \bar{\omega}_B(p) \rangle = \sum_{\alpha=1}^p \prod_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-1} (-1)^{(\lambda_A)_\beta} c_B(\gamma_A - \epsilon_{i,\alpha})$$

$$\langle x^{\gamma_A} e^{\eta_{\gamma_A}}, D_i \bar{\omega}_B(p) \rangle = \sum_{\alpha=1}^p \prod_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-1} (-1)^{(\lambda_A)_\beta} ((\gamma_A)_{i,\alpha} + 1) c_B(\gamma_A + \epsilon_{i,\alpha}).$$

This determines the vector  $f_\mu(X_i \omega_B)$  and  $f_\mu(D_i \omega_B)$ , and thus the action.

# Example

We calculate  $X_i \omega_B$  for  $B = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & 3 \\ \hline 4 & \\ \hline \end{array}$ ,  $\mu_B = (0, 1, 1, 1)$ ,  $i = 1$ :

$$A_1 = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline 4 \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad A_2 = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 4 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad A_3 = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline 4 \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad A_4 = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline 2 & 4 \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad A_5 = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 & 4 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline \end{array},$$

$$A_6 = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline 4 \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad A_7 = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 \\ \hline 3 & 4 \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad A_8 = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 4 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad A_9 = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline 4 \\ \hline \end{array}, \quad A_{10} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \hline \end{array}.$$

$$U_{\mu_B + \epsilon_i} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad f_{\mu_B + \epsilon_i} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$X_1 \omega_{\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & 3 \\ \hline 4 \\ \hline \end{array}} = -8\omega_{A_1} - 4\omega_{A_2} + 3\omega_{A_3} - 2\omega_{A_4} - 1\omega_{A_5} - 4\omega_{A_6} + 2\omega_{A_7} + \omega_{A_9}.$$