

Q's

7. a) Prove $2m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2 = \bar{u}_1 \left[(\rho_1 + \rho_2)_\mu + i \sigma_{\mu\nu} (\rho_1 - \rho_2)^\nu \right] u_2$

Dirac: $\bar{u}_1 (\not{\rho}_1 - m) = (\not{\rho}_1 - m) u_1 = 0$

$$\{\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu\} = 2g_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\bar{u}_1 \left[i \sigma_{\mu\nu} (\rho_1 - \rho_2)^\nu \right] u_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \sigma_{\mu\nu} = i/2 [\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left\{ [\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu] (\rho_1 - \rho_2)^\nu \right\} u_2$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left[\gamma_\mu (\not{\rho}_1 - \not{\rho}_2) - (\not{\rho}_1 - \not{\rho}_2) \gamma_\mu \right] u_2$$

Dirac:
 $\not{\rho}_1 u_1 = m u_1$
 $\bar{u}_1 \not{\rho}_1 = \bar{u}_1 m$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left[\gamma_\mu (\not{\rho}_1 - m) - (m - \not{\rho}_2) \gamma_\mu \right] u_2$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu \not{\rho}_1 u_2 - \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu m u_2 - \bar{u}_1 m \gamma_\mu u_2 + \bar{u}_1 \not{\rho}_2 \gamma_\mu u_2 \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \left[\bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu \not{\rho}_1 u_2 - 2m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2 + \bar{u}_1 \not{\rho}_2 \gamma_\mu u_2 \right]$$

$$= m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2 - \frac{1}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left(\gamma_\mu \not{\rho}_1 + \not{\rho}_2 \gamma_\mu \right) u_2$$

$$= m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2 - \frac{1}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left(\rho_1^\nu \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu + \rho_2^\nu \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu \right) u_2$$

$$(\rho_1 \underbrace{\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu} + \rho_2 \underbrace{\gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu}) u_2$$

$$\{\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu\} = 2g_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{Similarly}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu + \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu = 2g_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu = 2g_{\mu\nu} - \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu$$

$$= m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2 - \frac{1}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left(\rho_1^\nu 2g_{\mu\nu} - \rho_1^\nu \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu + \rho_2^\nu 2g_{\nu\mu} - \rho_2^\nu \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu \right) u_2$$

$$= m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2 - \frac{1}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left(2\rho_{1\mu} - \rho_1 \gamma_\mu + 2\rho_{2\mu} - \gamma_\mu \rho_2 \right) u_2$$

now can use Dirac

$$= m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2 - \frac{1}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left(2(\rho_1 + \rho_2)_\mu - m \gamma_\mu - m \gamma_\mu \right) u_2$$

$$= m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2 - \bar{u}_1 (\rho_1 + \rho_2)_\mu u_2 + m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2$$

$$= \bar{u}_1 \left[2m \gamma_\mu - (\rho_1 + \rho_2)_\mu \right] u_2$$

which cancels terms on insertion, proving Gordon identity.

$$7.b) \quad \bar{u}_1 \left[\sigma_{\mu\nu} (\rho_1 + \rho_2)^\nu \right] u_2$$

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Similarly to 7.a)

$$\sigma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} [\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu]$$

$$= \frac{i}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left[\gamma_\mu (\rho_1 + \rho_2) - (\rho_1 + \rho_2) \gamma_\mu \right] u_2$$

$$\bar{u}_1 \rho_1 = \bar{u}_1 m$$

$$\rho_2 u_2 = m u_2$$

$$= \frac{i}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left[\gamma_\mu (\cancel{\rho_1 + m}) - (\cancel{m} + \rho_2) \gamma_\mu \right] u_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{i}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left[\gamma_\mu \beta_1 - \beta_2 \gamma_\mu \right] u_2 \\
&= \frac{i}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left[2 \beta_{1\mu} - \beta_1 \gamma_\mu + 2 \beta_{2\mu} - \gamma_\mu \beta_2 \right] u_2 \\
&= \frac{i}{2} \bar{u}_1 \left[2 (\beta_1 + \beta_2)_\mu - 2m \gamma_\mu \right] u_2 \\
&= i \bar{u}_1 (\beta_1 + \beta_2)_\mu u_2 - i m \bar{u}_1 \gamma_\mu u_2
\end{aligned}$$

$\downarrow \{ \gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu \} = 2g_{\mu\nu}$

\downarrow Dirac

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I don't get Frank's answer

7. c)

$$\begin{aligned}
&\beta_1 \gamma_\mu \beta_2 \quad \downarrow \beta_1 = p_1^\nu \gamma_\nu \\
&= (p_1^\nu \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu) \beta_2 \quad \downarrow \{ \gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu \} = 2g_{\mu\nu} \\
&= \left[p_1^\nu (2g_{\nu\mu} - \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu) \right] \beta_2 \\
&= (2 p_1^\nu g_{\mu\nu} - \gamma_\mu \beta_1) \beta_2
\end{aligned}$$