

# Component versus Superspace Approaches to $D=4$ , $N=1$ Conformal Supergravity

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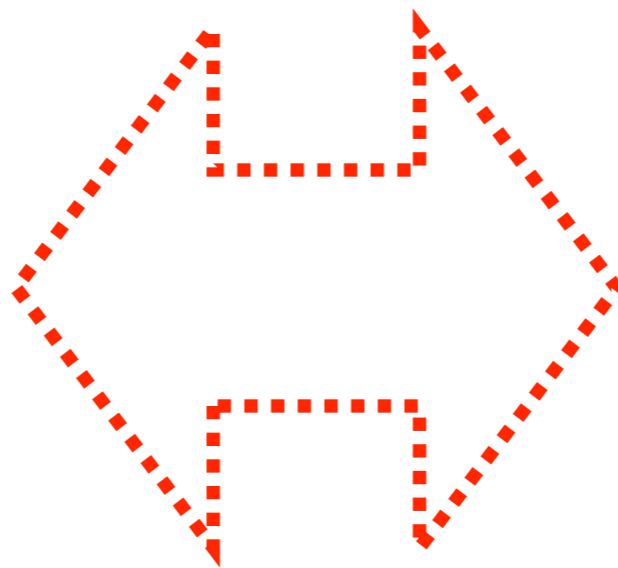
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restricted ?

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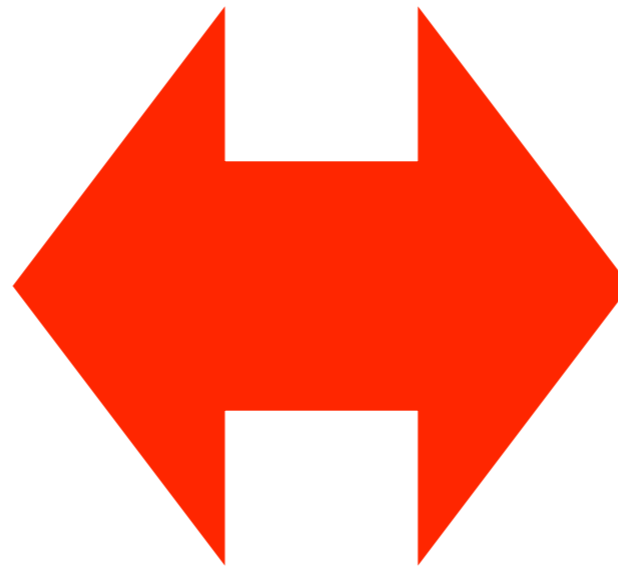
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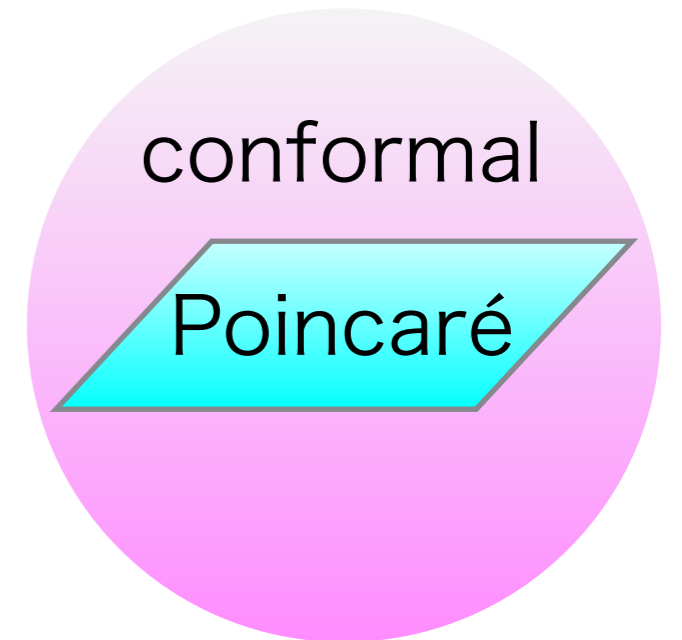
# 4D $N=1$ SUGRA

- A candidate beyond SM and Einstein gravity
- Low-energy string effective actions
- Construction:  
Gauge theory of super-Poincaré symmetry

# Conformal SUGRA

Gauge theory of superconformal (SC) sym.

- Super-Poincaré extended to SC
- Having more gauge freedoms
- Poincaré SUGRA obtained by gauge-fixing



What is the most different point?

# S-transformation in SC

$\begin{array}{c} Q \\ \rightleftarrows \\ S \end{array}$  rule: ladder operators

$$0 \begin{array}{c} \leftarrow \\ S \end{array} B \begin{array}{c} Q \\ \rightleftarrows \\ S \end{array} F \begin{array}{c} Q \\ \rightleftarrows \\ S \end{array} \dots$$

Q (SUSY generator) : raising scale weight

S (SUSY of inversion) : lowering scale weight

$$\{Q, S^T\} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2}C^{-1}D}_{\text{scale}} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^{ab}C^{-1}M_{ab} + i\gamma_5 C^{-1}A$$

Lorentz chiral

# Component approach

T. Kugo and S. Uehara (1985)

- Conformal multiplet defined by Q transf. laws

$$\mathcal{V}_A = [\mathcal{C}_A, \mathcal{Z}_{\alpha A}, \dots] = [(\mathcal{C}_A)]$$

$$0 \quad \underset{S}{\longleftarrow} \quad \mathcal{C}_A \quad \underset{S}{\overset{Q}{\rightleftarrows}} \quad \mathcal{Z}_{\alpha A} \quad \underset{S}{\overset{Q}{\rightleftarrows}} \quad \dots$$

A: general spinor indices

$$\delta_Q(\varepsilon)\mathcal{C}_A = \frac{1}{2}\bar{\varepsilon}i\gamma_5\mathcal{Z}_A$$

- Transf. laws determined by SC transf. laws of  $\mathcal{C}_A$

$$\delta_S\mathcal{Z} \sim \delta_S\delta_Q\mathcal{C} = (\delta_M + \delta_D + \delta_A)\mathcal{C}$$

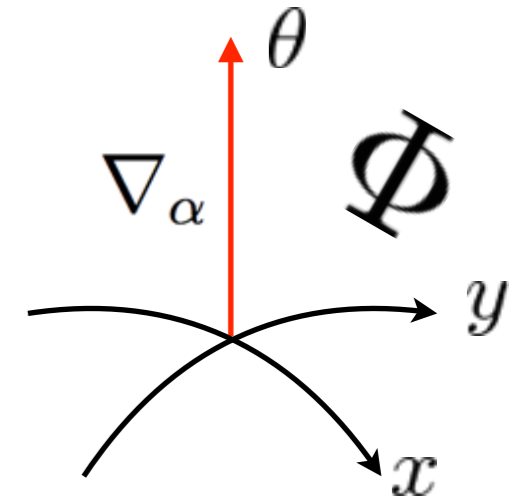
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# Superspace approach

D. Butter (2010)

- $Q =$  SC covariant spinor deriv.  $\nabla_\alpha$

$$Q_\alpha \Phi_A = \nabla_\alpha \Phi_A$$



- Primary superfield vanishing by  $S$  transf.

$$S_\alpha \Phi_A = 0$$

- Component obtained by setting  $\theta = 0$

$$\mathcal{C}_A = \Phi_A |_{\theta=0}$$

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\alpha A} = (\nabla_\alpha \Phi_A) |_{\theta=0}$$



# Additional restriction?

T. Kugo and S. Uehara (1985)

$$0 \stackrel{?}{\longleftarrow}_S \mathcal{Z}_{\alpha A} \stackrel{Q}{\longleftarrow}_S \cdots$$

- Introducing spinor derivative  $\mathcal{D}_\alpha[(\mathcal{C}_A)] := [(\mathcal{Z}_{\alpha A})]$

- Additional restriction occurs?

$$\delta_S \mathcal{Z}_{\alpha A} \sim (\underbrace{\delta_M}_{\text{Lorentz}} + \underbrace{\delta_D}_{\text{scale}} + \underbrace{\delta_A}_{\text{chiral}}) \mathcal{C}_A = 0$$

- Previous superspace approach restricted?

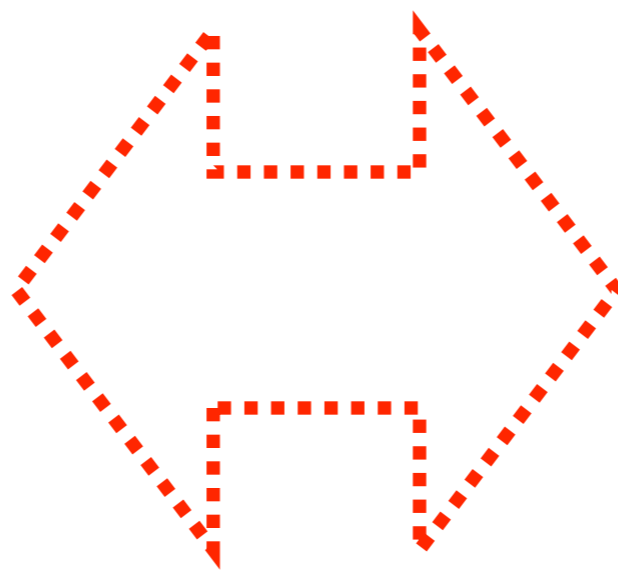
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# Results

# Restriction does not exist.

$$0 \underset{S}{\nabla} \Phi_A \underset{S}{\overset{Q}{\nabla}} \nabla_{\alpha} \Phi_A \underset{S}{\overset{Q}{\nabla}} \dots$$

- $\underset{S}{\overset{Q}{\nabla}}$  rule: S transforming  $\nabla_{\alpha} \Phi_A$  to  $\Phi_A$  not 0
- Consistent with component  $0 \underset{S}{\nabla} \mathcal{C}_A \underset{S}{\overset{Q}{\nabla}} \mathcal{Z}_{\alpha A} \underset{S}{\overset{Q}{\nabla}} \dots$
- $0 \underset{S}{\nabla} \mathcal{Z}_{\alpha A}$  : not required by  $\underset{S}{\overset{Q}{\nabla}}$  rule

# Correspondence

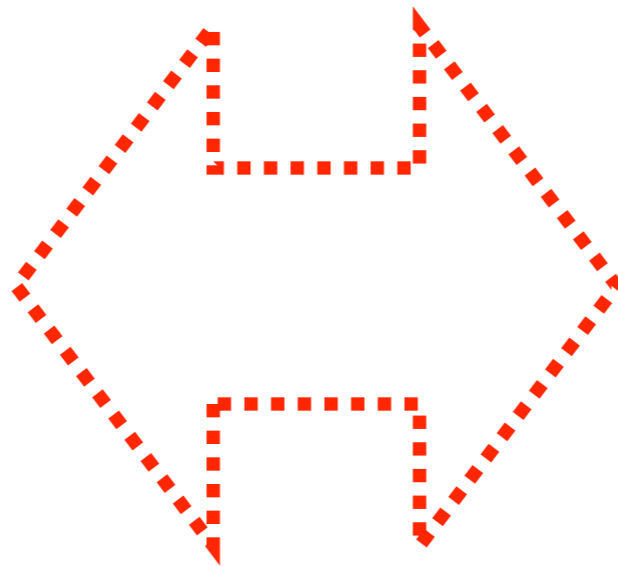
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Conformal  
multiplet



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# Correspondence of conformal multiplet

component	superspace
$\mathcal{C}_A$	$\Phi_A $
$\mathcal{Z}_A$	$\begin{pmatrix} -i\nabla_\alpha\Phi_A \\ +i\bar{\nabla}^{\dot{\alpha}}\Phi_A \end{pmatrix} $
$\mathcal{H}_A$	$\frac{1}{4}(\nabla^2\Phi_A + \bar{\nabla}^2\Phi_A) $
$\mathcal{K}_A$	$-\frac{1}{4}i(\nabla^2\Phi_A - \bar{\nabla}^2\Phi_A) $
$\mathcal{B}_{cA}$	$\frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\bar{\sigma}_c)^{\dot{\gamma}\gamma}[\nabla_\gamma, \bar{\nabla}_{\dot{\gamma}}]\Phi_A\right) $
$\Lambda_A$	$-\frac{i}{4}\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\nabla}^2\nabla_\alpha\Phi_A \\ \nabla^2\bar{\nabla}^{\dot{\alpha}}\Phi_A \end{pmatrix}  + 2i\begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{W}_\alpha \\ \bar{\mathcal{W}}^{\dot{\alpha}} \end{pmatrix}\Phi_A $
$\mathcal{D}_A$	$\frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{1}{2}\bar{\nabla}_{\dot{\beta}}\nabla^2\bar{\nabla}^{\dot{\beta}}\Phi_A + (-1)(-2i)^2\bar{\mathcal{W}}_{\dot{\beta}}\bar{\nabla}^{\dot{\beta}}\Phi_A\right) $ $= \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{1}{2}\nabla^\beta\bar{\nabla}^2\nabla_\beta\Phi_A + (-2i)^2\mathcal{W}^\beta\nabla_\beta\Phi_A\right) $

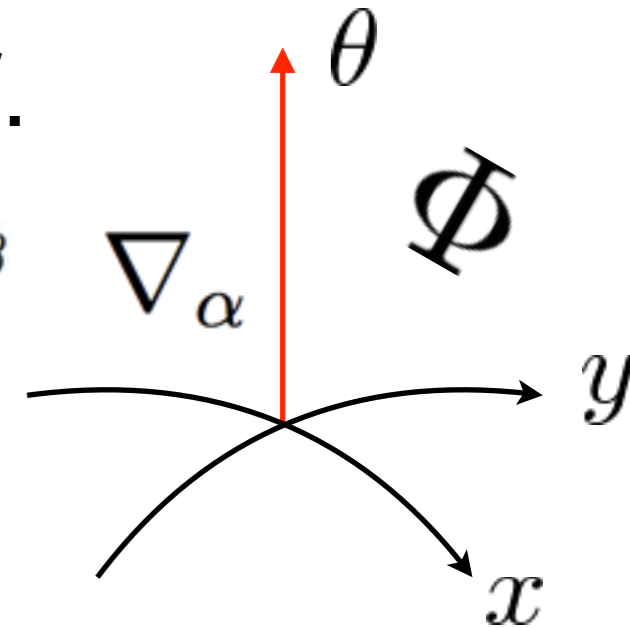
# How to obtain

$\nabla_\alpha$  combinations reproducing Q transf.

$$\{\nabla_\alpha, \nabla_\beta\} = 0, \quad \{\nabla_\alpha, \bar{\nabla}_{\dot{\beta}}\} = -2i\nabla_{\alpha\dot{\beta}}$$

1. Four freedoms

$$\nabla_\alpha = \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{R} \\ \downarrow \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{R} \\ \uparrow \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{L} \\ \downarrow \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{L} \\ \uparrow \end{array}$$

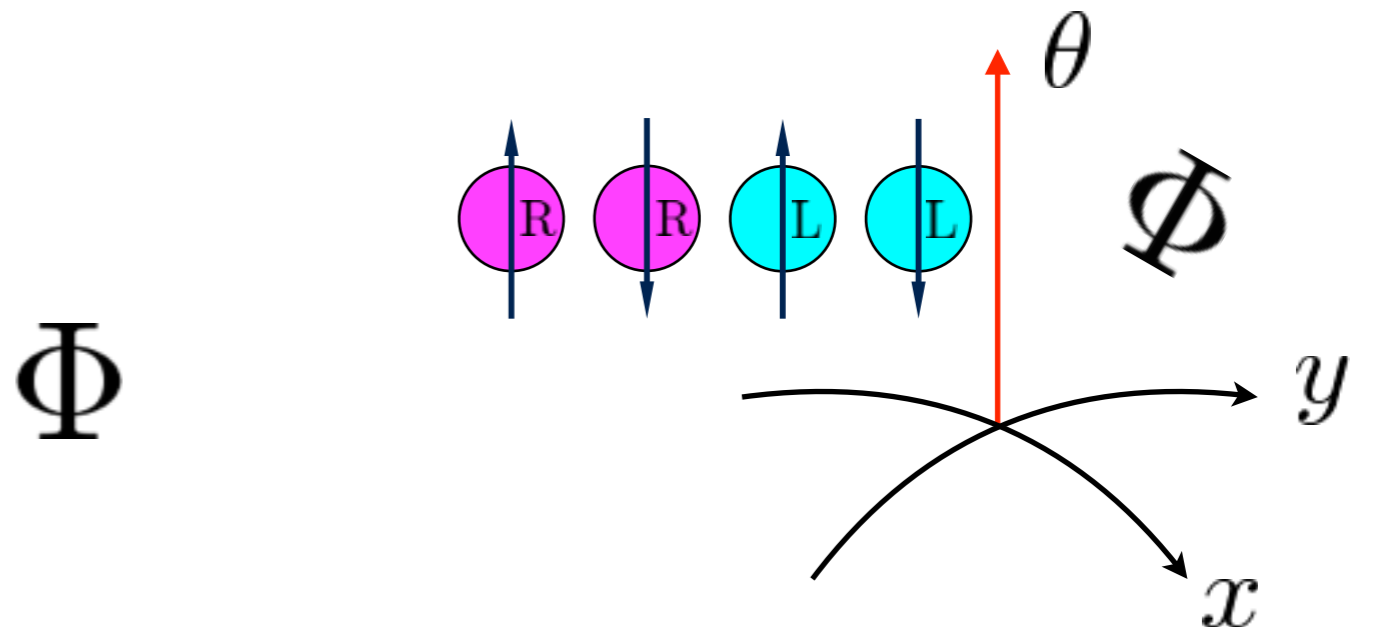


2. Nilpotent:  $\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{R} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{R} \\ \downarrow \end{array} = 0 \blacktriangleright$  Maximum:  $\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{L} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{L} \\ \uparrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{R} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{R} \\ \uparrow \end{array}$

3.  $\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{R} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{R} \\ \uparrow \end{array}$  : only singlet (triplet vanishing)

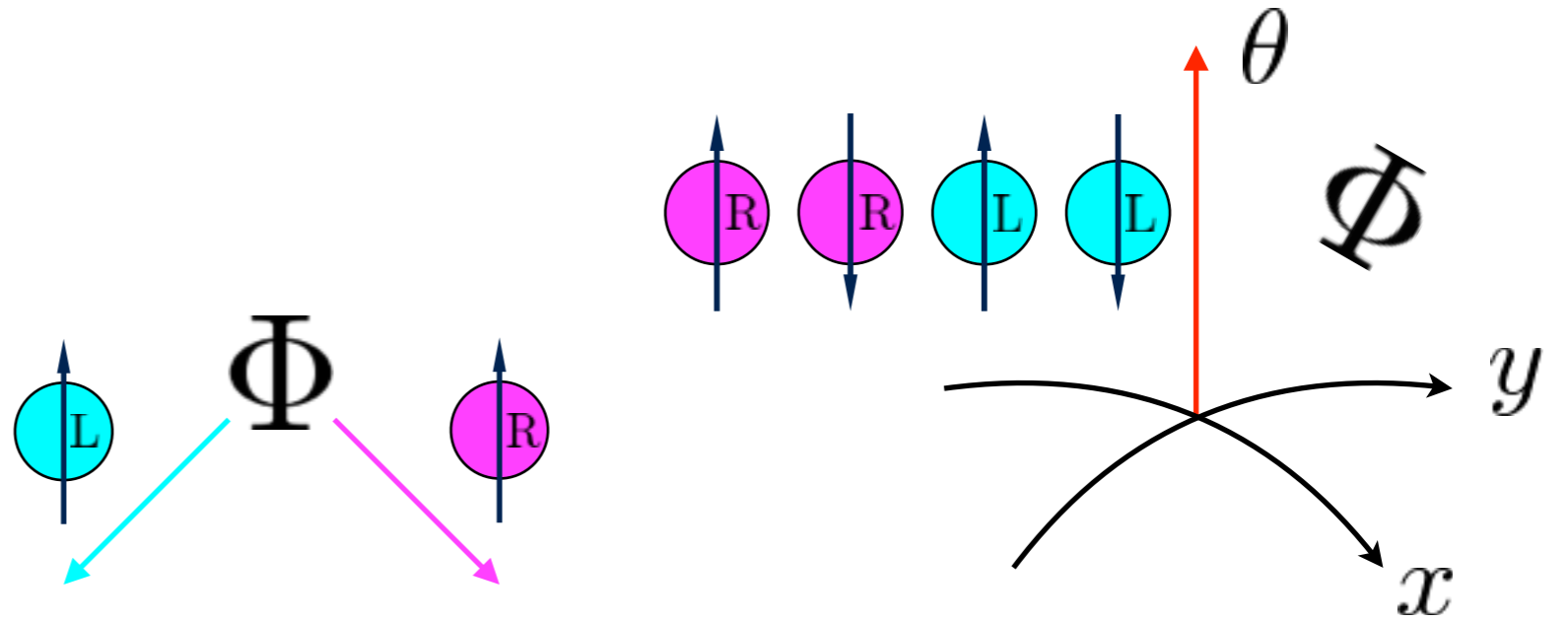
4.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{R} \\ \downarrow \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{L} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \right\}$ : spacetime derivative

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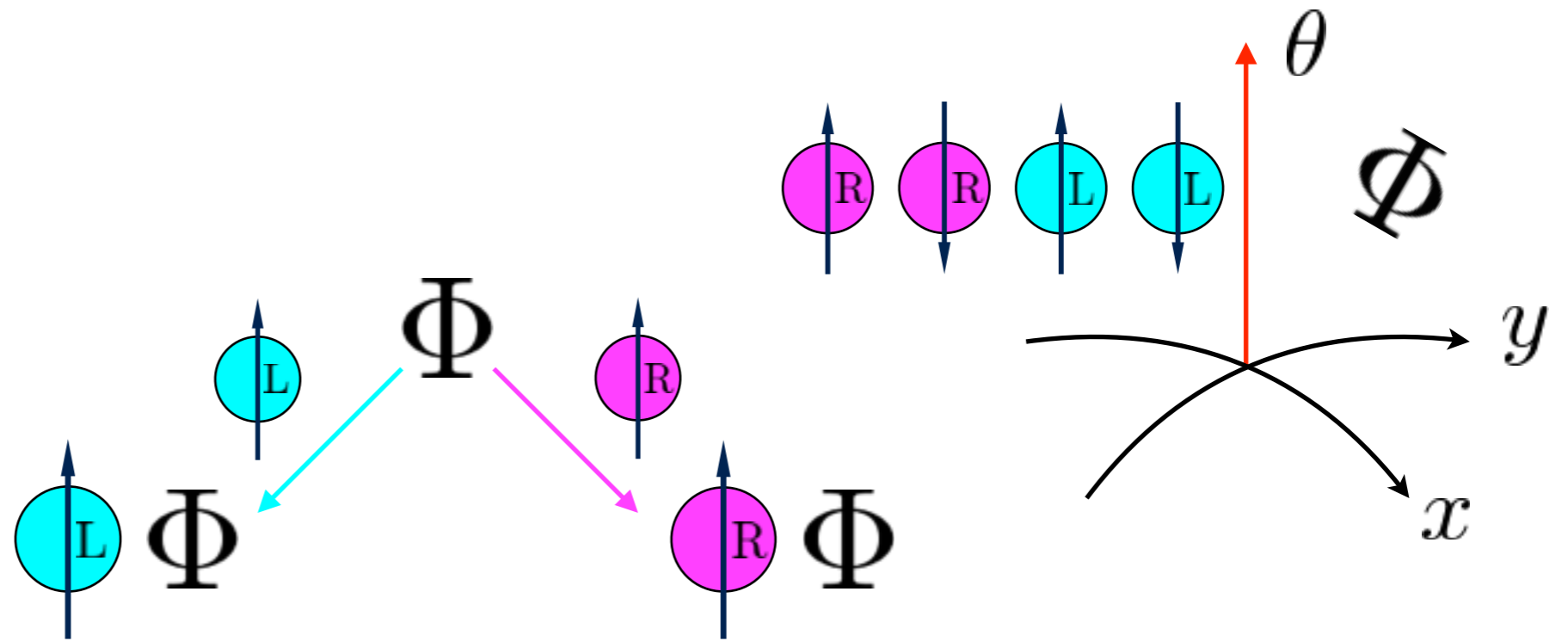




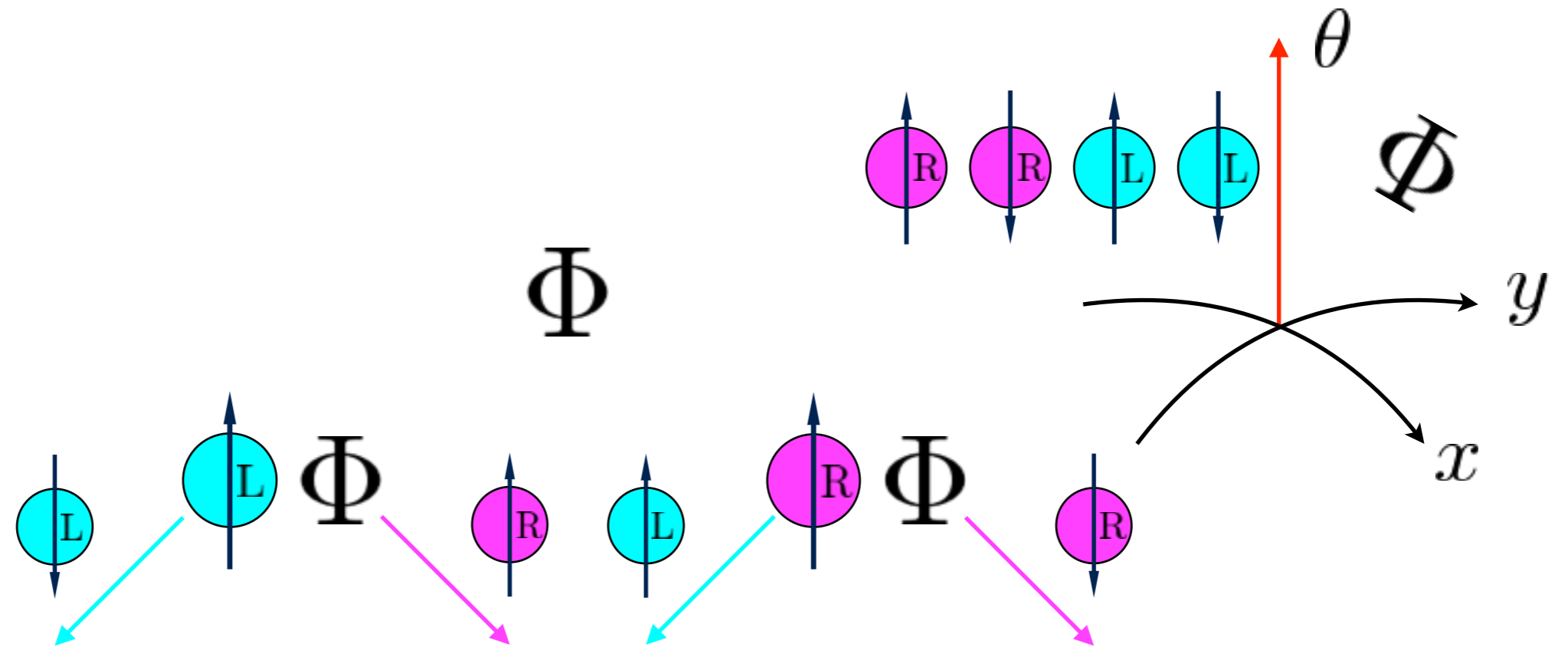
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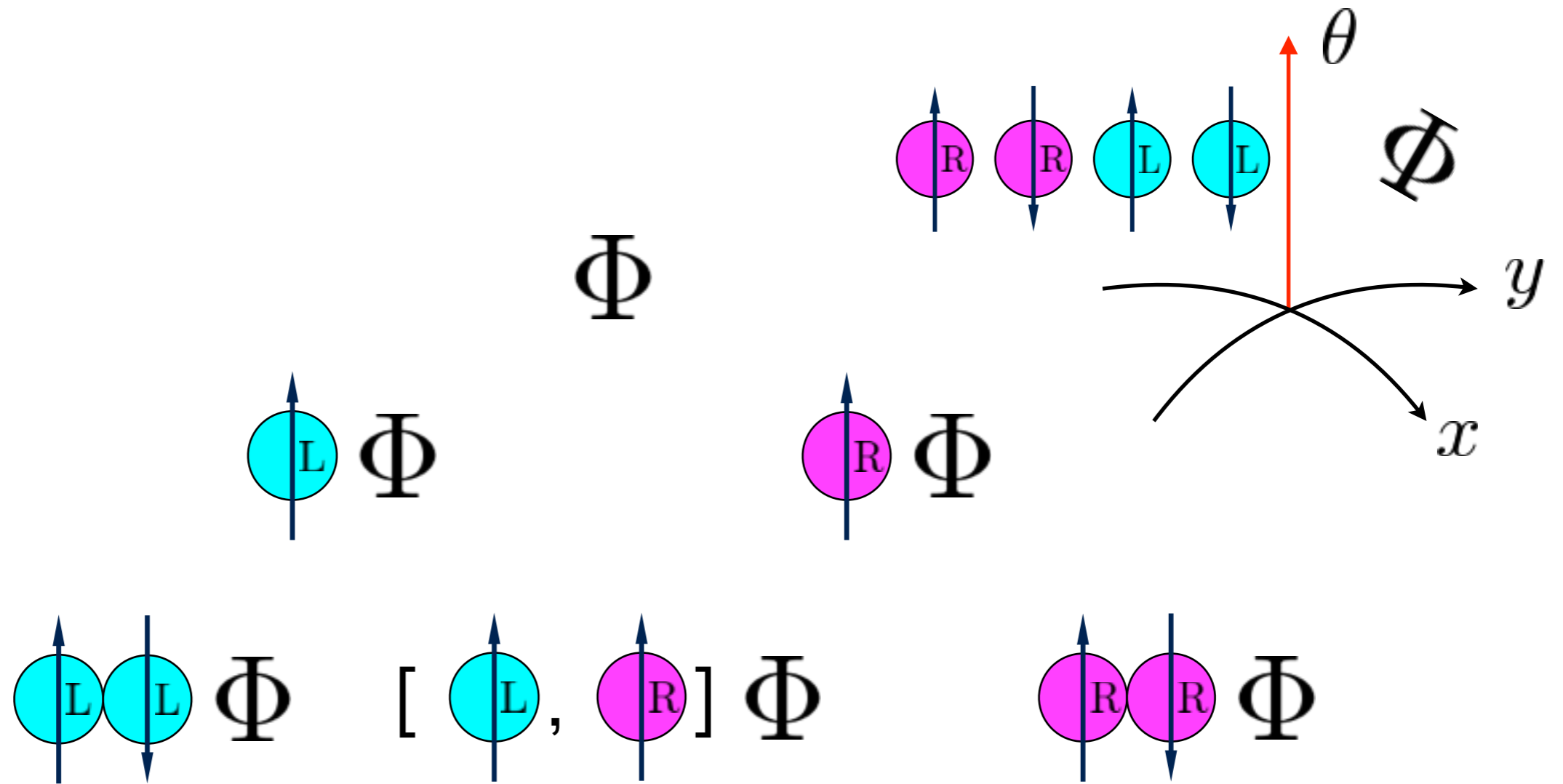
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anti-commutator:  
spacetime derivative

# Correspondences of the 1st, 2nd order

T. Kugo, RY and K. Yoshioka (2016)

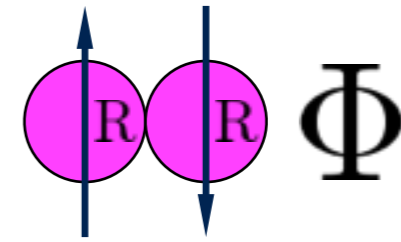
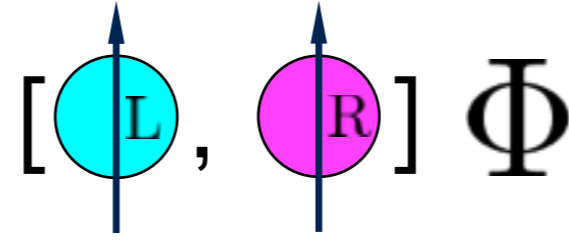
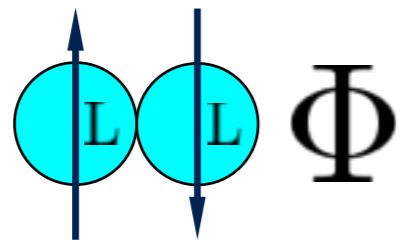
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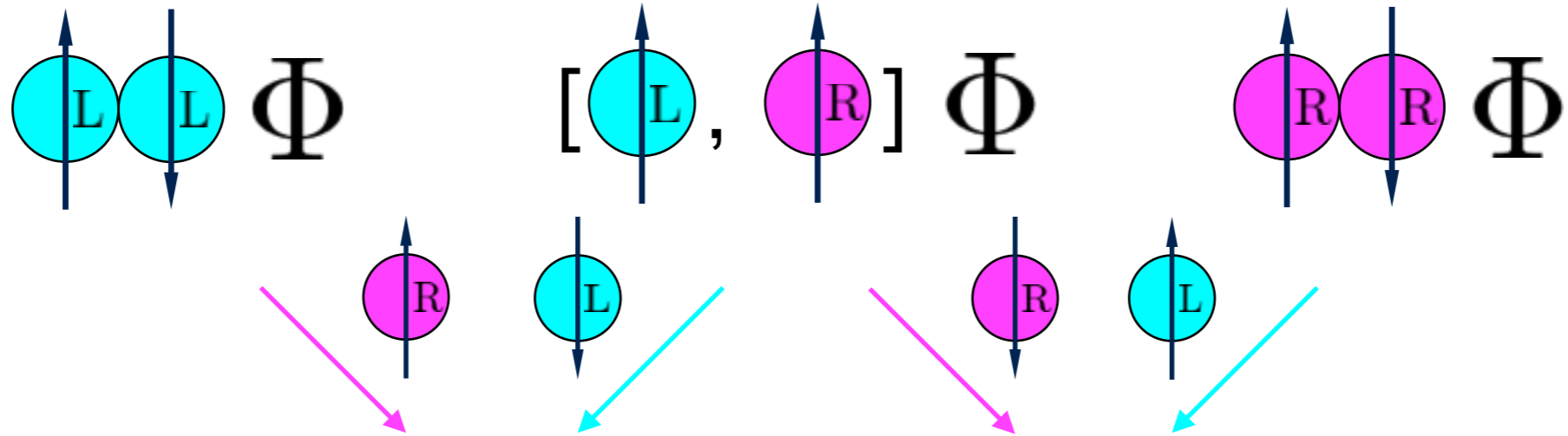
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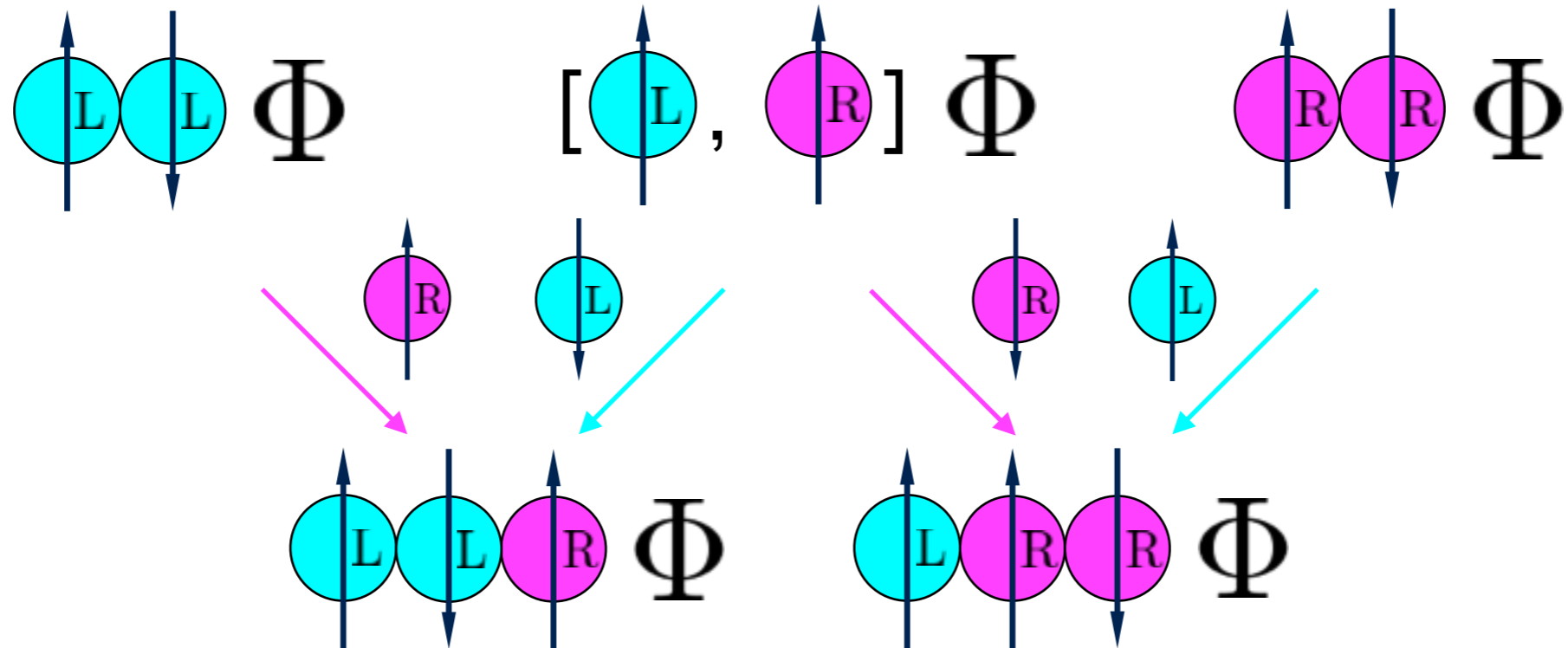
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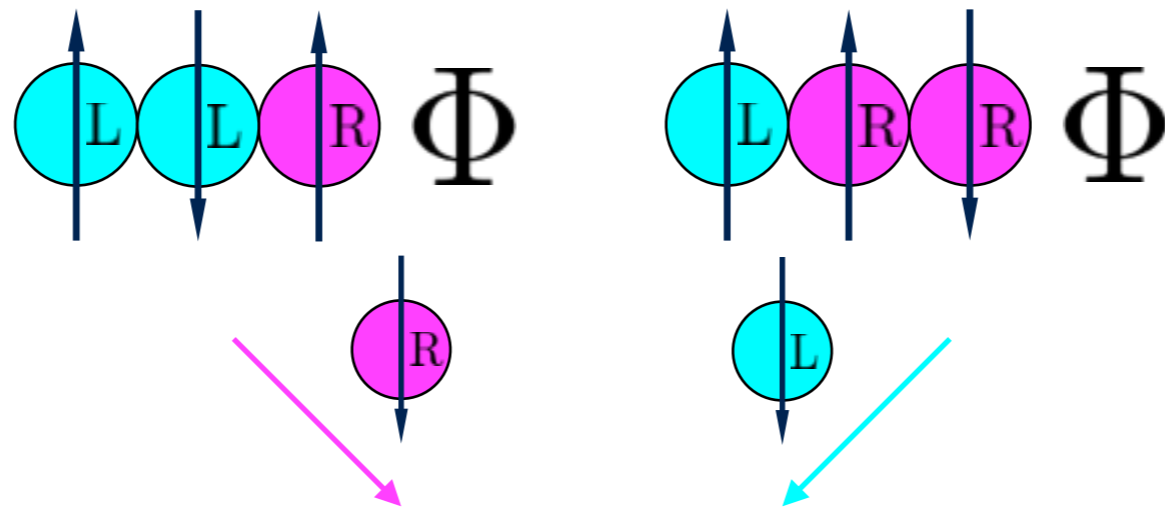
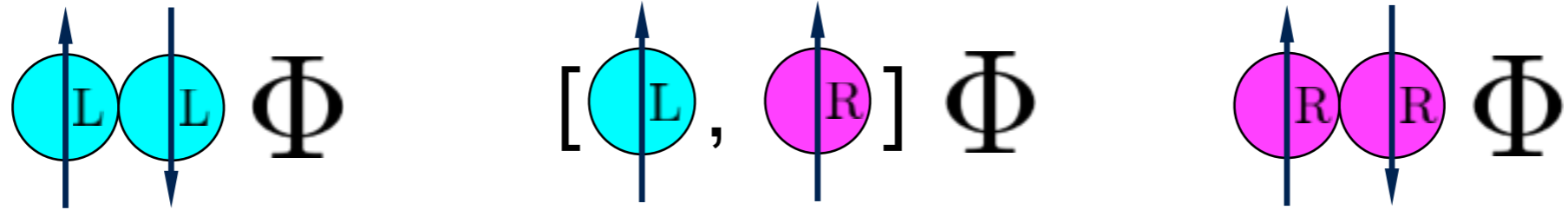


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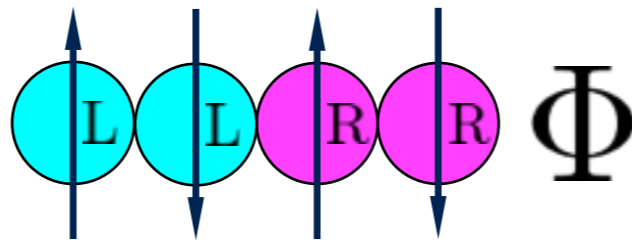
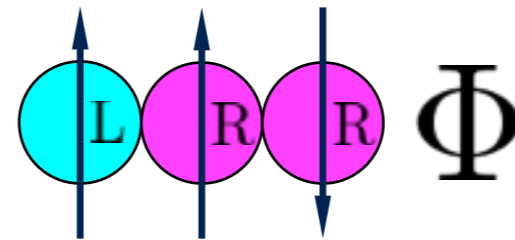
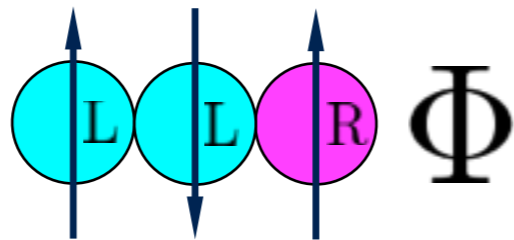
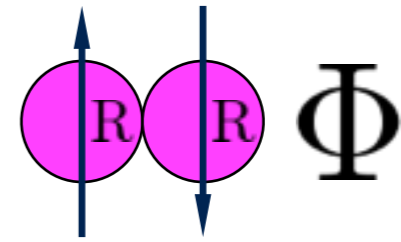
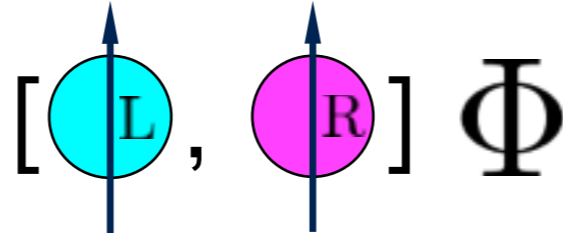
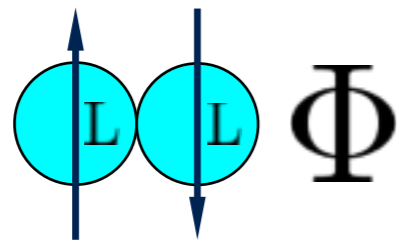




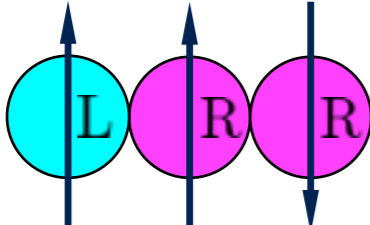
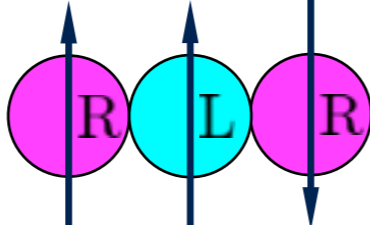
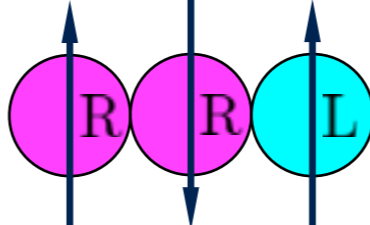
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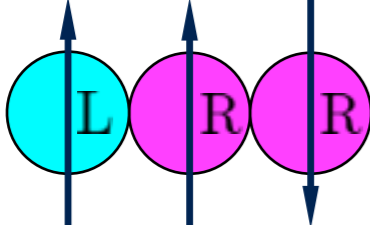


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# Nontrivial combinations

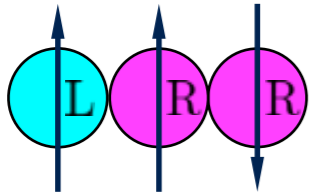
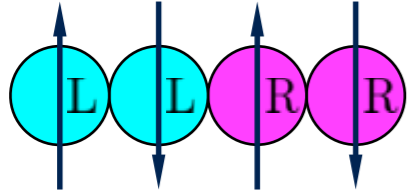
•   $\Phi$ ,   $\Phi$ ,   $\Phi$  different

  $\Phi = \{ \text{cyan L, magenta R} \} \text{magenta R} \Phi - \text{magenta R, cyan L, magenta R} \Phi$   
 spacetime derivative

- Which combination reproducing Q transf. law?

# Correspondences of the 3rd, 4th order

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	$\frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{2} \bar{\nabla}_{\dot{\beta}} \nabla^2 \bar{\nabla}^{\dot{\beta}} \Phi_A + (-1)(-2i)^2 \bar{\mathcal{W}}_{\dot{\beta}} \bar{\nabla}^{\dot{\beta}} \Phi_A \right)  $ $= \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{2} \nabla^\beta \bar{\nabla}^2 \nabla_\beta \Phi_A + (-2i)^2 \mathcal{W}^\beta \nabla_\beta \Phi_A \right)  $

$$\mathcal{W}_\alpha = \frac{1}{8} [\bar{\nabla}_{\dot{\alpha}}, \{\bar{\nabla}^{\dot{\alpha}}, \nabla_\alpha\}]$$

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$$\delta_Q(\varepsilon) \Lambda_A = (-)^A \frac{1}{2} (\sigma \cdot \mathcal{F}_A + i \gamma_5 \mathcal{D}_A) \varepsilon$$

$$+ \frac{1}{8} (\gamma_m \varepsilon R_{ab}(Q) \gamma_m (\Sigma^{ab} \mathcal{Z})_A + \gamma_5 \gamma_m \varepsilon R_{ab}(Q) \gamma_5 \gamma_m (\Sigma^{ab} \mathcal{Z})_A)$$

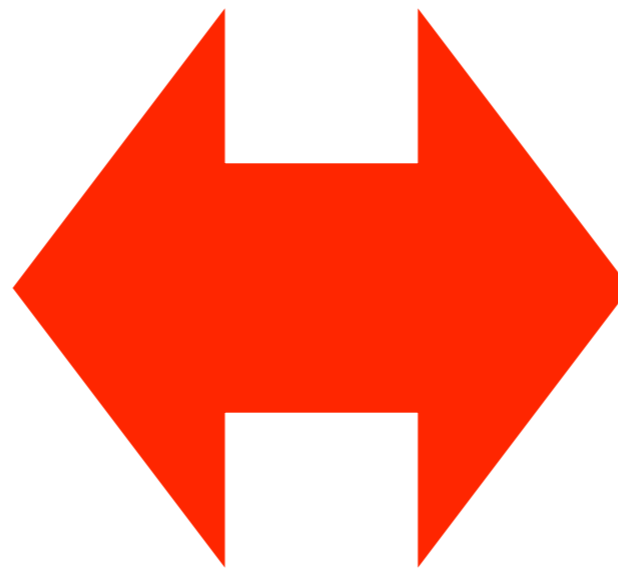
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