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iv) Since the transformation is a linear mapping, it suffices to check that the basis matrices are orthogonal under the mapping.

We define a dot product

$$\gamma_\mu \cdot \gamma_\nu = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu)$$

Since in this representation x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 are just multiples of $\gamma_0, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3$ respectively, if $\gamma_\mu \cdot \gamma_\nu = 0$, $x_\mu \cdot x_\nu = 0$.

By inspection $\gamma_0 \cdot \gamma_0 = 1$

$$\gamma_0 \cdot \gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

$$\gamma_0 \cdot \gamma_2 = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\gamma_0 \cdot \gamma_3 = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

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$$\gamma_2 \cdot \gamma_3 = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{Tr}(\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu) = \text{Tr}(\gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu)$$

The γ_i are all orthogonal.

$$\begin{aligned} (u \gamma_\mu u^\dagger)(u \gamma_\nu u^\dagger) &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}((u \gamma_\mu u^\dagger)(u \gamma_\nu u^\dagger)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(u \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu u^\dagger). \end{aligned}$$

Our
refers
to
3-space

You
need
simply
to show
that
it is
invariant