

## SPINORS IN BRAIDED GEOMETRY

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**Abstract.** Let  $V$  be a  $\mathbb{C}$ -space,  $\sigma \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes 2})$  be a pre-braid operator and let  $F \in \text{lin}(V^{\otimes 2}, \mathbb{C})$ . This paper offers a sufficient condition on  $(\sigma, F)$  that there exists a Clifford algebra  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$  as the Chevalley  $F$ -dependent deformation of an exterior algebra  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, 0) \equiv V^\wedge(\sigma)$ . If  $\sigma \neq \sigma^{-1}$  and  $F$  is non-degenerate then  $F$  is not a  $\sigma$ -morphism in  $\sigma$ -braided monoidal category. A spinor representation as a left  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$ -module is identified with an exterior algebra over  $F$ -isotropic  $\mathbb{C}$ -subspace of  $V$ . We give a sufficient condition on braid  $\sigma$  that the spinor representation is faithful and irreducible.

**1. Introduction.** Clifford and Weyl algebra for a Hecke braid was considered among other in [Hayashi 1990, Oziewicz 1995, Bautista *et al.* 1996]. The aim of this paper is to extend Clifford algebra and spinors to braided geometry and we do not assume that a braid need to be a Hecke braid.

Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional  $\mathbb{C}$ -space,  $\sigma \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes 2})$  be a pre-braid operator and let  $F \in \text{lin}(V^{\otimes 2}, \mathbb{C})$ . This paper offers a sufficient condition on  $(\sigma, F)$  that there exists a Clifford algebra  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$  as the Chevalley  $F$ -dependent deformation of a braided exterior algebra  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, 0) \equiv V^\wedge(\sigma)$ ,

$$(1) \quad (F \otimes \text{id}_V)(\text{id}_V \otimes \sigma) = (\text{id}_V \otimes F)(\sigma \otimes \text{id}_V).$$

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The condition (1) should be contrasted with a condition that a form  $F$  is a  $\sigma$ -morphism in a  $\sigma$ -braided monoidal category. The condition (1) is valid also for  $\sigma = 0$  in contrast to the  $\sigma$ -morphism which for  $F \neq 0$  do not holds for  $\sigma = 0$ . For involutive braids  $\sigma = \sigma^{-1}$  condition (1) coincides with a  $\sigma$ -morphism for  $F$ . The condition (1) is invariant with respect to rescaling, for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\sigma \rightarrow \lambda \cdot \sigma$ , whereas a condition for  $F$  to be a  $\sigma$ -morphism is not rescaling invariant.

From the point of view of the deformation theory one can ask if exists an  $F$ -dependent deformation of exterior Hopf algebra  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$ ?

Let  $sh$  be a shuffle comultiplication on a  $\mathbb{C}$ -space  $V^\otimes$ . Then, from one point of view, the answer to the above question is positive in the framework of generalized braided quantum groups [Đurđević 1996],

$$V^\wedge(\sigma) \hookrightarrow \{\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F), sh\}.$$

From another point of view the answer is negative because for  $F \neq 0$ ,  $\{\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F), sh\}$  is not a braided Hopf algebra as in [Majid 1991-1993].

An open question is whether exists an  $F$ -dependent deformation, in the framework of a braided category, of the braided exterior bialgebra  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$  which need not to be bi-unital (*i.e.* not unital or not co-unital)?

In the last section the Cartan approach to algebraic spinors is applied in the braided geometry. This last section is a variation and a generalization of a construction given in [Bautista et al. 1996]. A spinor space  $S$  is defined as an exterior Hopf  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra over  $F$ -isotropic  $\mathbb{C}$ -subspace of  $V$ . A spinor space  $S$  is a left Clifford module and in contrast to the standard formulation, we shall not require the existence of a hermitian form (a spinor norm), see e. g. [Crumeyrolle 1990]. We found sufficient conditions on a braid  $\sigma$  that the spinor representation  $\{\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F) \rightarrow \text{End } S\}$  is irreducible and faithful.

Throughout this paper algebra, cogeбра, Hopf algebra means  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra,  $\mathbb{C}$ -cogeбра and Hopf  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra and  $\otimes \equiv \otimes_{\mathbb{C}}$ . All maps are  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear,  $\text{lin} \equiv \text{lin}_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $\text{End} \equiv \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

**2. Deformation of shuffle comultiplication.** In what follows  $V$  is a  $\mathbb{C}$ -space,  $TV$  is a tensor algebra universal on  $V$  with a realization  $TV \equiv \{V^\otimes, \otimes\}$ , and  $CV$  is a tensor cogeбра co-universal on  $V$  with a shuffle co-universal commultiplication  $sh$ , *i.e.*  $CV \equiv \{V^\otimes, sh\}$ , see [Sweedler 1969, chapter XII, page 247].

Henceforth we define

$$\begin{aligned} s_{p,q} &\in \text{lin}(V^{\otimes(p+q)}, V^{\otimes p} \otimes V^{\otimes q}), \\ s_{p,q}(v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_{p+q}) &\equiv (v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_p) \otimes (v_{p+1} \otimes \dots \otimes v_{p+q}), \\ s_{0,n} &\equiv 1 \otimes \text{id}, \quad s_{n,0} \equiv \text{id} \otimes 1, \\ sh: V^\otimes &\rightarrow V^\otimes \otimes V^\otimes, \quad sh|V^{\otimes n} \equiv \sum_{i=0}^n s_{i,n-i}. \end{aligned}$$

In this section we consider a pre-braid - dependent coassociative deformation of co-universal shuffle comultiplication  $sh$ .

A pre-braid on  $\mathbb{C}$ -space  $V$  is a map  $\sigma \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes 2})$  for which the braid equation holds

$$(2) \quad (\sigma \otimes \text{id}_V)(\text{id}_V \otimes \sigma)(\sigma \otimes \text{id}_V) = (\text{id}_V \otimes \sigma)(\sigma \otimes \text{id}_V)(\text{id}_V \otimes \sigma).$$

A pre-braid  $\sigma$  extends to pre-braiding  $\sigma^\otimes \in \text{End}(V^\otimes \otimes V^\otimes)$  on  $V^\otimes$ , e. g.

$$(\sigma^\otimes)_{1,2} \equiv \sigma^\otimes|_{\{V \otimes V^{\otimes 2}\}} = (\text{id}_V \otimes \sigma)(\sigma \otimes \text{id}_V),$$

$$(\sigma^\otimes)_{2,1} \equiv \sigma^\otimes|_{\{V^{\otimes 2} \otimes V\}} = (\sigma \otimes \text{id}_V)(\text{id}_V \otimes \sigma).$$

Let  $V^* \equiv \text{lin}(V, \mathbb{C})$  be a dual  $\mathbb{C}$ -space. The evaluation  $V^* \otimes V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  extends to a pairing  $TV^* \otimes TV \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  according to the following convention

$$\text{for } \alpha, \beta \in TV^*, t, u \in TV \text{ and } |\alpha| = |u|, |\beta| = |t|,$$

$$(\alpha \otimes \beta)(t \otimes u) \equiv (\beta t)(\alpha u) \in \mathbb{C}.$$

The dual space  $V^* \equiv \text{lin}(V, \mathbb{C})$  possess the transposed pre-braid  $\sigma^* \in \text{End}(V^{*\otimes 2})$  with respect to the above pairing.

Let  $V\sigma V$  denote an associative unital algebra and a coassociative counital cogebr with a  $\mathbb{C}$ -space  $V^\otimes \otimes V^\otimes$  and with  $\sigma$ -dependent structures,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a multiplication: } & [(\otimes) \otimes (\otimes)] \circ (\text{id}_{V^\otimes} \otimes \sigma^\otimes \otimes \text{id}_{V^\otimes}), \\ \text{a unit: } & 1 \otimes 1, \quad 1 \in \text{lin}(\mathbb{C}, V^\otimes), \\ \text{a comultiplication: } & (\text{id}_{V^\otimes} \otimes \sigma^\otimes \otimes \text{id}_{V^\otimes}) \circ [\text{sh} \otimes \text{sh}], \\ \text{a counit: } & \varepsilon \otimes \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon \in \text{lin}(V^\otimes, \mathbb{C}). \end{aligned}$$

It is an interesting question whether the above structure can be extended to some braided bialgebra. This question is not investigated in this paper.

For a pre-braid  $\sigma \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes 2})$  we shall define a  $\sigma$ -dependent coassociative comultiplication  $C(\sigma)$  and associative multiplication  $Q(\sigma)$  in a  $\mathbb{C}$ -space  $V^\otimes$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} V^\otimes & \xrightarrow{C(\sigma)} V^\otimes \otimes V^\otimes, \\ V^\otimes & \xleftarrow{Q(\sigma)} V^\otimes \otimes V^\otimes, \end{aligned}$$

(3)  $Q(\sigma) \equiv [C(\sigma^*)]^g$ , the graded dual.

DEFINITION 1 (Comultiplication). Let  $1 \in TV$ . An algebra map  $C(\sigma) \in \text{alg}(TV, V\sigma V)$  is determined by value on generating  $\mathbb{C}$ -space  $V$ ,

$$C(\sigma)1 \equiv 1 \otimes 1, \quad C(\sigma)|_V \equiv 1 \otimes \text{id}_V + \text{id}_V \otimes 1.$$

Let  $S_n$  be the permutation group on  $n$  elements,  $\pi \in S_n$  and let  $\sigma_\pi \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes n})$  be a map obtained by replacing transpositions in a minimal decomposition of  $\pi$  by a pre-braid  $\sigma \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes 2})$ .

Let  $\text{sh}_{n,k} \subseteq S_{n+k}$  be a set of riffle shuffles with a cut  $n$  from  $S_{n+k}$  [Sweedler 1969, chapter XII; Sternberg 1993, p. 43], i.e. a set of permutations preserving an order of sub-sets  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\{n + 1, \dots, n + k\}$ .

PROPOSITION 2 (Deformation of shuffle comultiplication). An algebra map  $C(\sigma)$  is a coassociative  $\sigma$ -deformation of co-universal tensor shuffle comultiplication,

$$C(\sigma)|_{V^{\otimes n}} = \sum_{i=0}^n \{s_{i,n-i} \circ C_{i,n-i}(\sigma)\},$$

$$C_{0,n}(\sigma) = C_{n,0}(\sigma) = \text{id}_{V^{\otimes n}},$$

$$C_{n,k}(\sigma) = \sum_{\pi \in \text{sh}_{n,k}} \sigma_\pi \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes(n+k)}),$$

$$C_{n,k}(0) = \text{id}_{V^{\otimes(n+k)}}, \quad C(0) = \text{sh}.$$

Proof. The above formulas are proved by induction on  $n$ . The coassociativity of the coproduct  $C(\sigma)$  is due to braid equation (2). ■

The operators  $C_{n,k}(\sigma)$  for  $n = 1$  or  $k = 1$  are the same as *braided integers* in [Majid 1993] or in [Majid 1995, Definition 10.4.8],

$$\left[ \begin{matrix} 1+n \\ n \end{matrix}; \sigma \right] = C_{n,1}(\sigma), \quad [1+k; \sigma] = C_{1,k}(\sigma).$$

In particular

$$C_{1,1}(\sigma) = \text{id}_{V^{\otimes 2}} + \sigma,$$

$$C_{1,2}(\sigma) = \text{id}_{V^{\otimes 3}} + \sigma \otimes \text{id}_V + (\text{id}_V \otimes \sigma)(\sigma \otimes \text{id}_V),$$

$$C_{2,1}(\sigma) = \text{id}_{V^{\otimes 3}} + \text{id}_V \otimes \sigma + (\sigma \otimes \text{id}_V)(\text{id}_V \otimes \sigma).$$

**3. Braided exterior Hopf algebra.** Hopf algebras in a braided monoidal category, *i.e.* a braided Hopf algebras, has been introduced by Majid in a series of papers in years 1991-1993, we refer to monograph by Majid [1995]. In this section we generalize this to pre-braided case when a braid needs not to be invertible and we consider two important examples of pre-braid - dependent families: pre-braided universal Hopf algebra and pre-braided co-universal Hopf algebra as the deformation of bi-universal (*i.e.* universal and couniversal) Hopf algebra.

A bi-universal  $\sigma$ -braided Hopf algebra exists if and only if  $\sigma|V^{\otimes 2} = 0$  [Oziewicz, Paal and Rózański 1995, section 8]. A realization of the bi-universal 0-braided Hopf algebra is given by  $\{V^\otimes, \otimes, \text{sh}\}$  with the antipode

$$S|C = \text{id}, \quad S|V = -\text{id}, \quad S|V^{\otimes n > 1} = 0.$$

PROPOSITION 3 (Braided Hopf algebras).

- (i)  $Q(0) = \otimes$ , *i.e.*  $Q(\sigma)$  is an associative  $\sigma$ -deformation of a tensor multiplication (concatenation) and  $Q(\sigma) \in \text{cog}(V\sigma V, CV)$ .
- (ii)  $CV(\sigma) \equiv \{V^\otimes, \otimes, C(\sigma)\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -braided universal biassociative and biunital Hopf algebra which is a  $\sigma$ -deformation of bi-universal Hopf algebra  $CV(0)$ .
- (iii)  $QV(\sigma) \equiv \{V^\otimes, Q(\sigma), \text{sh}\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -braided co-universal biassociative and biunital Hopf algebra which is  $\sigma$ -deformation of bi-universal Hopf algebra  $QV(0) = CV(0)$ .
- (iv) There exists a unique homomorphism  $W(\sigma) \in \text{hopf}[CV(\sigma), QV(\sigma)]$  of  $\sigma$ -deformed universal Hopf algebra into  $\sigma$ -deformed co-universal Hopf algebra such that  $W(\sigma)|(C \oplus V) = \text{id}$ . An operator  $W(\sigma)$  commutes with antipod and  $W(\sigma)$  is  $\sigma$ -deformation of identity, *i.e.*  $W(0) = \text{id}_{V^\otimes}$ .

Proof. See [Oziewicz, Paal and Rózański 1995, section 8]. In the proof we need to use braid equation (1).

From the graded duality in definition (3) and from Proposition 2 we get

$$Q_{n,k}(\sigma) \equiv Q(\sigma)|(V^{\otimes n} \otimes V^{\otimes k}) = \sum_{\pi \in \text{sh}_{n,k}} [(\sigma^*)_\pi]^* \quad : \quad V^{\otimes n} \otimes V^{\otimes k} \longrightarrow V^{\otimes(n+k)}.$$

Moreover

$$[(\sigma^*)_\pi]^* = \sigma_{\pi^{-1}}$$

and this follows from the equality of the tangles corresponding to the left and the right sides of the above equation.

By definition an operator  $W(\sigma)$  must be an algebra and cogeбра map,

$$(4) \quad W(\sigma) \in \text{alg}[TV, (V^\otimes, Q(\sigma))], \quad \begin{array}{ccc} V^\otimes \otimes V^\otimes & \xrightarrow{\otimes} & V^\otimes \\ \downarrow W \otimes W & & \downarrow W \\ V^\otimes \otimes V^\otimes & \xrightarrow{Q(\sigma)} & V^\otimes \end{array}$$

$$(5) \quad W(\sigma) \in \text{cog}[(V^\otimes, C(\sigma)), CV], \quad \begin{array}{ccc} V^\otimes & \xrightarrow{C(\sigma)} & V^\otimes \otimes V^\otimes \\ \downarrow W & & \downarrow W \otimes W \\ V^\otimes & \xrightarrow{\text{sh}} & V^\otimes \otimes V^\otimes \end{array}$$

An image  $\text{im } W(\sigma)$  is a Hopf sub-algebra of  $QV(\sigma)$ .

In particular a Hopf algebra map  $W(\sigma)$  coincide with a braided symmetrizer/alternator introduced by Woronowicz [1989, pp. 153-155]

$$\text{End}(V^{\otimes n}) \ni W_n(\sigma) \equiv \sum_{\pi \in S_n} \sigma_\pi.$$

Moreover

$$\text{for } \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, \quad (\lambda \cdot \sigma)_\pi = \lambda^{|\pi|} \cdot \sigma_\pi. \quad \blacksquare$$

A subspace  $\ker W(\sigma) < CV(\sigma)$  is a two-sided biideal in a universal tensor Hopf algebra. A factor Hopf algebra  $V^\wedge(\sigma) \equiv CV(\sigma)/\ker W(\sigma)$  is said to be an exterior Hopf algebra for a pre-braid  $\sigma$ . Let  $\pi_\sigma \in \text{hopf}[CV(\sigma), V^\wedge(\sigma)]$  be an epimorphism of Hopf algebras and  $\ker \pi_\sigma \equiv \ker W(\sigma)$ ,

$$\wedge \equiv \wedge_\sigma \equiv \otimes \quad \text{mod} \quad \ker W(\sigma) : V^\wedge \otimes V^\wedge \rightarrow V^\wedge.$$

One can show that a pre-braiding  $\sigma^\otimes$  factors to a pre-braiding  $\sigma^\wedge$  on a factor algebra  $V^\wedge \otimes V^\wedge$  and that an exterior Hopf algebra  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$  is  $\sigma^\wedge$ -braided, i. e. all structure maps are  $\sigma^\wedge$ -morphisms and in particular a factor multiplication  $\wedge_\sigma$  is a  $\sigma^\wedge$ -morphism,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^\wedge(\wedge \otimes \text{id}) &= (\text{id} \otimes \wedge)(\sigma^\wedge \otimes \text{id})(\text{id} \otimes \sigma^\wedge), \\ \sigma^\wedge(\text{id} \otimes \wedge) &= (\wedge \otimes \text{id})(\text{id} \otimes \sigma^\wedge)(\sigma^\wedge \otimes \text{id}). \end{aligned}$$

A Hopf algebra  $\text{im } W(\sigma)$  is isomorphic as Hopf algebra to the exterior algebra. The following algebra map is invertible,

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_\sigma | \text{im } W(\sigma) &\in \text{alg}[(\text{im } W(\sigma), Q(\sigma)), (V^\wedge(\sigma), \wedge_\sigma)], \\ V^\wedge(\sigma) \ni \pi_\sigma \psi &\equiv \psi^\wedge \equiv [\psi \text{ mod } \ker W(\sigma)] \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad W(\sigma)\psi \in \text{im } W(\sigma) < V^\otimes. \end{aligned}$$

We have a pairings

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{for } \alpha, \beta \in TV^*, \quad t, u \in TV \text{ and } |\alpha| = |u|, \quad |\beta| = |t|, \\ &(\alpha \otimes \beta)(t \otimes u) \equiv (\beta t)(\alpha u) \in \mathbb{C}, \\ &V^{*\wedge}(\sigma) \otimes V^\wedge(\sigma) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \\ &\mathbb{C} \ni \alpha^\wedge t^\wedge \equiv \alpha W(\sigma)t \quad \text{or} \quad 0 \quad \text{if } |\alpha| \neq |t|. \end{aligned}$$

**4. Inner product.** An inner product is a graded derivation of degree  $-1$ . In this section an inner product is generalized to a braided geometry. A general theory of derivations of arbitrary degree in braided geometry was presented in [Oziewicz, Paal and Róžański 1995].

For  $f \in V^*$  and  $c_f \equiv f \otimes \text{id}$  let  $c_f|V^{\otimes n} \in \text{lin}(V^{\otimes n}, V^{\otimes(n-1)})$  be contraction in a tensor algebra  $V^{\otimes}$ . Then exists  $k_f(\sigma) \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes})$  such that

$$c_f \circ W(\sigma) = W(\sigma) \circ k_f(\sigma).$$

Therefore  $k_f(\sigma)$  factors to a map  $k(\sigma) \in \text{lin}(V^* \otimes V^\wedge, V^\wedge)$ .

LEMMA 4 (Braided derivation). *The Leibniz rule holds,*

$$k_f(\sigma) \circ \wedge = \wedge \circ \{k_f(\sigma) \otimes \text{id} + \sigma^{\wedge-1} \circ [k_f(\sigma) \otimes \text{id}] \circ \sigma^\wedge\}.$$

PROOF. The Leibniz rule for  $k_f(\sigma)$  in a tensor algebra factors to the above Leibniz rule in a factor algebra. ■

An operator  $k(\sigma)$  extends to an algebra map

$$\sqcup \in \text{alg}[TV^*, \text{End}(V^\wedge)], \quad \sqcup|V^* \equiv k(\sigma).$$

LEMMA 5. *If  $f \in \ker W^*(\sigma)$  then  $\sqcup_f = 0$ .*

PROOF. The statement is the consequence of (3) because  $W(\sigma) \in \text{alg}[TV, QV(\sigma)]$ . ■

Hence, we can pass from  $V^{*\otimes}$  to  $V^{*\wedge}$  in the first argument of  $\sqcup$  and we obtain a map  $\sqcup: V^{*\wedge} \otimes V^\wedge \rightarrow V^\wedge$ .

DEFINITION 6. The map  $\sqcup: V^{*\wedge} \otimes V^\wedge \rightarrow V^\wedge$  is said to be *the inner product*.

The inner product  $\sqcup$  can be defined equivalently as the transposed exterior multiplication. For  $f \in V^{*\wedge}$ , let  $\wedge_f \in \text{End}(V^{*\wedge})$  be a linear map given by  $\wedge_f \phi \equiv \phi \wedge f$ .

PROPOSITION 7. *Let  $f, g \in TV^*$ ,  $\psi \in TV$  and  $|f| + |g| = |\psi|$ . Then the inner product  $\sqcup_f$  and an exterior product  $\wedge_f$  are mutually transposed,*

$$(\pi_\sigma g)(\sqcup_{\pi_\sigma f} \pi_\sigma \psi) = (\wedge_{\pi_\sigma f} \pi_\sigma g)(\pi_\sigma \psi).$$

PROOF. We have

$$\begin{aligned} (g^\wedge \wedge f^\wedge) \psi^\wedge &= (\wedge_{f^\wedge} g^\wedge) \psi^\wedge = [W^*(g \otimes f)] \psi \\ &= (g \otimes f) W \psi = g^\wedge (f^\wedge \sqcup \psi^\wedge) = g^\wedge (\sqcup_f \psi^\wedge). \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

**5. Clifford Algebra.** Let  $F \in \text{lin}(V^{\otimes 2}, \mathbb{C})$  be a scalar product and  $\ell_F \in \text{lin}(V, V^*)$  be an associated correlation,

$$\text{ev}(\ell_F \otimes \text{id}_V) \equiv F \quad \text{and} \quad T\ell_F \in \text{alg}(TV, TV^*).$$

Clifford and Weyl algebras for Hecke braids were considered among others in [Hayashi 1990, Oziewicz 1995, Bautista *et al.* 1996]. In this section a braid  $\sigma \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes 2})$  needs not to be a Hecke braid.

In what follows we shall assume

$$(7) \quad T\ell_F \circ W(\sigma) = W^*(\sigma) \circ T\ell_F, \quad W^*(\sigma) = W(\sigma^*).$$

This is equivalent that

$$(\ell_F \otimes \ell_F) \circ \sigma = \sigma^* \circ (\ell_F \otimes \ell_F).$$

Factorizing  $T\ell_F$  through ideals  $\ker \{W, W^*\}$  we obtain an algebra homomorphism  $\wedge \ell_F \in \text{alg}(V^\wedge, V^{*\wedge})$ .

A sufficient condition that (7) holds is

$$(8) \quad (F \otimes \text{id}_V)(\text{id}_V \otimes \sigma) = (\text{id}_V \otimes F)(\sigma \otimes \text{id}_V).$$

Let  $\iota_F$  be a contraction map multiplicative on the first factor with values in braided derivations (Lemma 4),

$$(9) \quad \iota_F: V^\wedge \otimes V^\wedge \rightarrow V^\wedge, \quad \iota_F \equiv \sqcup[(\wedge \ell_F) \otimes \text{id}],$$

$$\text{for } x \in V \text{ and } \sigma(x \otimes \vartheta) = \sum_k \vartheta_k \otimes x_k,$$

$$\iota_{Fx} \circ \wedge \vartheta = \wedge_{\iota_{Fx}} \vartheta + \sum \wedge \vartheta_k \circ \iota_{Fx_k}.$$

We shall introduce contraction operators  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_k$  in  $V^\wedge$  which we need for construction of a Clifford algebra  $\mathcal{Cl}(V, \sigma, F)$  as the Chevalley  $F$ -deformation of a  $\sigma$ -braided exterior algebra  $\mathcal{Cl}(V, \sigma, 0) \equiv V^\wedge(\sigma)$ . We define

$$\text{for } \psi \in V^{\otimes n}, \quad \psi^j \in V^{\wedge(n-k)}, \quad \psi_j \in V^{\wedge k},$$

$$[\pi_\sigma \circ C_{n-k,k}(\sigma)]\psi = \sum \psi^j \wedge \psi_j,$$

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_k: V^\wedge \otimes V^\wedge \rightarrow V^\wedge,$$

$$\langle \psi, \cdot \rangle_k \equiv \sum \wedge \psi^j \circ \iota_{F\psi_j}, \quad \text{if } n < k \text{ then } \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_k \equiv 0.$$

Consistency of this definition follows from bialgebra map (4-5).

The Chevalley  $F$ -dependent deformed product  $\vee \equiv \vee_{\sigma,F}$  on  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$  is defined as follows,

$$\vee \equiv \wedge + \sum_{k \geq 1} \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_k,$$

$$\text{in particular for } x \in V, \quad \vee_x = \wedge_x + \iota_{Fx}.$$

PROPOSITION 8. *An  $F$ -deformed algebra  $\{V^\wedge(\sigma), \vee_{\sigma,F}\}$  is an associative algebra with the unity  $1 \in V^\wedge(\sigma)$ .*

Proof. The proof can be performed diagrammatically, using tangle and braid diagrams, and using condition (1 – 8). ■

DEFINITION 9 (Clifford algebra as a deformation). An algebra

$$\mathcal{Cl}(V, \sigma, F) \equiv \{V^\wedge(\sigma), \vee_{\sigma,F}\}$$

is said to be a *Clifford algebra* as the Chevalley  $F$ -deformation of an exterior algebra  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$ .

The graded algebra associated to a filtered algebra  $\mathcal{Cl}(V, \sigma, F)$  is isomorphic to  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$ .

Let  $\pi_{\sigma,F} \in \text{alg}[TV, \mathcal{Cl}(V, \sigma, F)]$  be an algebra epimorphism extending the identity map on  $V$  and let  $I_{\sigma,F}$  be two-sided ideal in a tensor algebra,

$$I_{\sigma,F} \equiv \ker \pi_{\sigma,F} \triangleleft TV.$$

The Clifford algebra  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$  can be presented as a factor algebra  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F) = TV/I_{\sigma, F}$ .

**6. The Bournaki bijection in a tensor algebra.** The ideal  $I_{\sigma, F} \triangleleft TV$  can be described in another way, using a bijection  $\lambda_F \in \text{End } V^\otimes$  introduced by Bournaki [1959].

Let for  $x \in V$ ,  $\iota_{Fx} \in \sigma \text{der } TV$  be a braided derivation on  $TV$ , Lemma 4. Bournaki [1959] introduced the following map  $\lambda_F \in \text{End } V^\otimes$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{for } x \in V \text{ and } \psi \in V^\otimes, \\ \lambda_F|_{\mathbb{C}} &= \text{id}, \quad \lambda_F(x \otimes \psi) = x \otimes (\lambda_F \psi) + (\iota_{Fx} \circ \lambda_F)\psi. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\lambda_F|_V = \text{id}$  and the Bournaki map  $\lambda_F$  is bijective.

LEMMA 10. *We have*

$$(10) \quad \ker W(\sigma) = \lambda_F(I_{\sigma, F}).$$

Proof. The statement follows from  $\pi_\sigma \circ \lambda_F = \pi_{\sigma, F}$ . ■

The Bournaki bijection  $\lambda_F$  allows to define a new product  $\vee_F$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ -space  $V^\otimes$ ,

$$(11) \quad \vee_F \equiv \lambda_F \circ [\lambda_F^{-1} \otimes \lambda_F^{-1}].$$

With respect to product  $\vee_F$  (11) the space  $\ker W(\sigma)$  is a left ideal in  $\{TV, \vee_F\}$ . The condition (1 – 8) ensures that  $\ker W(\sigma)$  is also a right  $\vee_F$ -ideal.

An algebra epimorphism  $\pi_\sigma \in \text{alg}[TV, V^\wedge(\sigma)]$  by construction is also an algebra epimorphism of  $F$ -deformed algebras.

If the braid operator  $\sigma$  is such that  $\ker W(\sigma)$  is quadratic, then the ideal  $I_{\sigma, F}$  is generated by elements of the form

$$\psi - F(\psi)1 \otimes 1, \quad \text{where } \psi \in V^{\otimes 2} \text{ is } \sigma\text{-invariant, } \sigma\psi = \psi.$$

This covers Clifford and Weyl algebras for a Hecke braid [Hayashi 1990, Oziewicz 1995].

To define a Clifford algebra as the Chevalley  $F$ -deformation of braided exterior algebra  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$ , it is necessary and sufficient that  $\ker W(\sigma)$  is also a right-ideal in  $(V^\otimes, \vee_F)$ . This assumption is weaker than (1 – 8). If (8) does not hold, then the symmetry between left and right is broken.

If  $\sigma = \sigma^{-1}$  then the braided Hopf algebra  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$  can be deformed to a generalized braided quantum group  $\{\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F), \text{sh}\}$  [Đurđević 1994, 1996]. A generalized braided quantum group  $\{\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F), \text{sh}\}$  is not a braided Hopf algebra as in [Majid 1991-1993]. However, the axiom for the antipode is the same as for Hopf algebra. The antipode is  $F$ -dependent. The shuffle coproduct  $\text{sh}$  in  $\{\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F), \text{sh}\}$  is the same as in  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$ , however the intrinsic braid determined by the Clifford product, shuffle coproduct and the antipode will be  $F$ -dependent. The generalized braided quantum group is not includable in the framework of braided categories, because the coproduct map does not obey the functoriality properties relative to the mentioned braiding.

**7. Spinors.** This section is devoted to braided generalization of the Cartan theory of spinors [3], [1]. Consider the Witt  $F$ -isotropic splitting

$$(12) \quad V = V_1 \oplus V_2, \quad V_i \text{ are } F\text{-isotropic.}$$



The Witt splitting is said to be compatible with the braid  $\sigma \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes 2})$  if

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } i \neq j, \quad \sigma(V_i \otimes V_j) &= V_j \otimes V_i, \\ \sigma^2\{(V_1 \otimes V_2) \oplus (V_2 \otimes V_1)\} &= \text{id}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $F|(V_2 \otimes V_1)$  be nondegenerate. In this case  $V_2 \simeq V_1^*$ . Let for  $f \in V_1^*$  and  $x \in V_1$  a form  $F$  be given by  $F(f \otimes x) \equiv f(x)$ .

Exterior algebras  $(V_1)^\wedge$  and  $(V_2)^\wedge$  are subalgebras of  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$ .

LEMMA 11 (The Cartan map). *The following Cartan map  $\mu$  is bijective,*

$$(13) \quad \mu: (V_1)^\wedge \otimes (V_2)^\wedge \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F), \quad \mu \equiv \vee_{\sigma, F}.$$

Proof. Let  $u \in V_1, v \in V_2$  and  $\sigma(v \otimes u) \equiv \sum_k u_k \otimes v_k$ . Then

$$vu + \sum_k u_k v_k - F(v \otimes u) \cdot 1 = 0.$$

This implies that  $\mu$  is surjective.

Let  $p_{kl}: V^{\otimes(k+l)} \rightarrow (V_1)^{\otimes k} \otimes (V_2)^{\otimes l}$  be a projection. We shall prove that the map  $\wedge: (V_1)^\wedge \otimes (V_2)^\wedge \rightarrow V^\wedge$ , which is the grade-preserving component of  $\mu$ , is injective. Indeed, we have  $p_{kl} \circ \wedge = \text{id}$  and hence  $\wedge$  is injective. ■

Denote  $\mathcal{K} = (V_2)^\wedge$  and let  $\kappa \in \text{alg}(\mathcal{K}, \mathbb{C})$  be a character,  $\kappa(1) = 1$  such that  $\kappa(V_2) = 0$ . This gives a left  $\mathcal{K}$ -module structure on  $\mathbb{C}$ . On the other hand  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$  is a right  $\mathcal{K}$ -module.

DEFINITION 12. A left  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$ -module  $\mathcal{S} \equiv \mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F) \otimes_{\mathcal{K}} \mathbb{C}$  is called *the spinor module* associated to the  $F$ -isotropic splitting (12).

According to Lemma 11, the space  $\mathcal{S}$  is isomorphic to the exterior algebra  $(V_1)^\wedge$  and

$$\text{for } x = x_1 + x_2 \in V, \quad x_i \in V_i, \quad x\xi = x_1 \wedge \xi + x_2 \sqcup \xi.$$

PROPOSITION 13. *A  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$ -module  $\mathcal{S}$  is faithful and irreducible.*

Proof. We prove that each vector  $\psi \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \{0\}$  is cyclic which implies that the module is simple. The unit element  $1_{\mathcal{S}} \in \mathcal{S}$  is cyclic, by construction. The duality between spaces  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  extends to the duality between exterior algebras  $(V_1)^\wedge$  and  $(V_2)^\wedge$ , as explained in Section 4. In terms of this duality, the contraction between elements of the same degree becomes the pairing map. It follows that there exists  $\varphi \in \mathcal{K}$  such that  $\varphi \sqcup \psi = 1$ . Hence,  $\psi$  is cyclic.

Let  $\sum u_k \otimes v_k \neq 0$  be a component consisting of summands having the minimal second degree  $n$ . We can assume that  $v_k$  are linearly independent vectors. Let  $x \in \mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F) \setminus \{0\}$ . We have

$$\mu^{-1}(x) = \sum u_k \otimes v_k + \psi.$$

There exist spinors  $\xi_j \in \mathcal{S}$  satisfying  $\psi \xi_j = 0$  and  $v_k \xi_j = \delta_{kj}$ . This gives  $x \xi_j = u_j$  which implies that the representation is faithful. ■

A left  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$ -module  $\mathcal{S}$  is completely characterized by the existence of a cyclic vector  $1_{\mathcal{S}} \in \mathcal{S}$  annihilated by the subspace  $V_2$ .

In other words let  $\mathcal{V}$  be an arbitrary left  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$ -module, possessing a vector  $v$  satisfying  $\{V_2\}v = 0$ . Then exists the unique module map  $\varrho: \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$  satisfying  $\varrho(1_{\mathcal{S}}) = v$ . The map  $\varrho$  is injective because of the simplicity of  $\mathcal{S}$ . In particular, if  $v$  is cyclic then  $\varrho$  is a module isomorphism.

Clifford and Weyl algebra for a Hecke braid considered by Hayashi [1990] and by Oziewicz [1995] and spinors for a Hecke braid introduced in [Bautista et al. 1996] are included in the theory presented here. Clifford algebra of [1] is defined for Hecke braid  $\sigma \in \text{End}(V^{\otimes 2})$  (where  $V \equiv W \oplus W^*$  is a finite-dimensional space) admitting extensions to braidings between  $W$  and  $W^*$ , so that the contraction map is a  $\sigma$ -morphism. If  $V \equiv W \oplus W^*$  then a form  $F$  and a braid  $\sigma$  on  $V$  are expressible in terms of the extended braiding  $\tau$  and the contraction map.

In the classical theory spinors can be equivalently viewed as elements of the left  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$ -ideal, generated by a volume element of  $V_2 < V \equiv V_1 \oplus V_2$ . A similar description is possible in the braided geometry if an external algebra  $(V_2)^\wedge$  admits a volume element. A form  $\omega \in V^\wedge(\sigma)$  is said to be a volume on  $V^\wedge(\sigma)$  if  $V^\wedge\omega = 0$ . Let  $\omega$  be a volume on  $V_2$ . Then a left  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$ -ideal  $\text{gen}\omega$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{S}$  as a left  $\mathcal{C}\ell(V, \sigma, F)$ -module.

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