

## Problems 2

1. Find the components of the inverse Lorentz transformation, for the case of rotation by angle  $\theta$  and boost of rapidity  $\phi$ :

$$\Lambda^\mu{}_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \phi & -\sinh \phi & 0 & 0 \\ -\sinh \phi & \cosh \phi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Show that the left hand sides of

$$\begin{aligned} V_\mu &= \eta_{\mu\nu} V^\nu, \\ \omega^\mu &= \eta^{\mu\nu} \omega_\nu, \\ T^{\alpha\beta\mu}{}_\delta &= \eta^{\mu\gamma} T^{\alpha\beta}{}_{\gamma\delta}, \\ T_\mu{}^\beta{}_{\gamma\delta} &= \eta_{\mu\alpha} T^{\alpha\beta}{}_{\gamma\delta}, \\ T_{\mu\nu}{}^{\rho\sigma} &= \eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\nu\beta} \eta^{\rho\gamma} \eta^{\sigma\delta} T^{\alpha\beta}{}_{\gamma\delta}, \end{aligned}$$

transform as tensors under Lorentz transformations, given that  $V^\nu$ ,  $\omega_\nu$ , and  $T^{\alpha\beta}{}_{\gamma\delta}$  are tensors.

3. Show explicitly  $X^{(\mu\nu)}Y_{[\mu\nu]} = 0$ ,  $X^{(\mu\nu)}Y_{\mu\nu} = X^{(\mu\nu)}Y_{(\mu\nu)}$ , and find a similar expression for antisymmetric tensors.
4. Imagine we have a tensor  $X^{\mu\nu}$  and a vector  $V^\mu$ , with components

$$X^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad V^\mu = (-1, 2, 0, -2).$$

Find the components of: (a)  $X^\mu{}_\nu$ , (b)  $X_\mu{}^\nu$ , (c)  $X^{(\mu\nu)}$ , (d)  $X_{[\mu\nu]}$ , (e)  $X^\lambda{}_\lambda$ , (f)  $V^\mu V_\mu$ , and (g)  $V_\mu X^{\mu\nu}$ .

5. Using the tensor transformation law applied to  $F_{\mu\nu}$ , show how the electric and magnetic field 3-vectors  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{B}$  transform under: (a) a rotation about the  $y$ -axis, (b) a boost along the  $z$ -axis.

Verify that  $\partial_{[\mu}F_{\nu\lambda]} = 0$  is equivalent to  $\partial_{\mu}F_{\nu\lambda} + \partial_{\nu}F_{\lambda\mu} + \partial_{\lambda}F_{\mu\nu} = 0$ , and that these imply

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\epsilon}^{ijk}\partial_j E_k + \partial_0 B^i &= 0, \\ \partial_i B^i &= 0.\end{aligned}$$