Problem C10.1 Consider an infinitesimal rotation. For general representations one has

$$D(\vec{\theta}) = 1 - i\theta^k J^k \qquad (*)$$

(a) A vector \vec{x} transforms as (draw a picture)

$$\vec{x} \to \vec{x} + \delta \vec{x}, \qquad \delta \vec{x} = \vec{\theta} \times \vec{x} \qquad (**)$$

Recall that a general infinitesimal Lorentz transformation acts on a 4-vector like

$$x^{\mu} \rightarrow x^{\mu} + \omega^{\mu}_{\ \nu} x^{\nu}$$

Determine ω^{μ}_{ν} for the rotation.

(b) To write (**) in the form (*) find matrices J^k such that

$$\delta \vec{x} = -i\theta^k J^k \vec{x}$$

Problem C10.2 Check that the γ^{μ} in the Weyl representation satisfy the Clifford algebra.

Problem H10.1

(a) Show that the $S^{\mu\nu}=\frac{i}{4}[\gamma^{\mu},\gamma^{\nu}]$ satisfy the relation

$$[S^{\mu\nu}, \gamma^{\rho}] = i \left(\eta^{\nu\rho} \gamma^{\mu} - \eta^{\mu\rho} \gamma^{\nu} \right).$$

(b) Use (a) and the Jacobi identity [A,[B,C]]+[C,[A,B]]+[B,[C,A]]=0 to show that $S^{\mu\nu}$ is a representation of the Lorentz algebra.

Problem H10.2

(a) Show that the Dirac action

$$S = \int d^4x \, \overline{\psi} (i \partial \!\!\!/ - m) \psi$$

is invariant under the parity transformation

$$\psi(t, \vec{x}) \to \gamma^0 \psi(t, -\vec{x})$$

(b) Show that if $\psi(t, \vec{x})$ is a solution of the Dirac equation, then $\gamma^0 \psi(t, -\vec{x})$ is a solution to the Dirac equation.