

# EXPLICIT ISOMORPHISMS OF REAL CLIFFORD ALGEBRAS

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It is well known that the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{p,q}$  associated to a nondegenerate quadratic form on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  ( $n = p + q$ ) is isomorphic to a matrix algebra  $K(m)$  or direct sum  $K(m) \oplus K(m)$  of matrix algebras, where  $K = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{H}$ . On the other hand, there are no explicit expressions for these isomorphisms in literature. In this work, we give a method for the explicit construction of these isomorphisms.

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## 1. Preliminaries

Let  $F$  be a field and let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space over  $F$  and  $Q : V \rightarrow F$  a quadratic form on  $V$ . The Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}(V, Q)$  is an associative algebra with unit 1, which contains and is generated by  $V$ , with  $v \cdot v = Q(v) \cdot 1$  for all  $v \in V$ . Formally, one can define the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}(V, Q)$  as follows.

*Definition 1.1.* The Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}(V, Q)$  associated to a vector space  $V$  over  $F$  with quadratic form  $Q$  can be defined as

$$\text{Cl}(V, Q) = \frac{T(V)}{I(Q)}, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $T(V)$  is the tensor algebra  $T(V) = F \oplus V \oplus (V \otimes V) \oplus \dots$  and  $I(Q)$  is the two-sided ideal in  $T(V)$  generated by elements  $v \otimes v - Q(v) \cdot 1$ .

Just like the tensor algebra and the exterior algebra, the Clifford algebra has the following universal property.

**THEOREM 1.2.** *Given an associative unital  $F$ -algebra  $A$  (with unit 1) and a linear map  $f : V \rightarrow A$  with  $f(v) \cdot f(v) = Q(v) \cdot 1$  for all  $v \in V$ , then there is a unique homomorphism*

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of algebras  $f : \text{Cl}(V, Q) \rightarrow A$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xrightarrow{i_Q} & \text{Cl}(V, Q) \\ j \downarrow & \swarrow \theta & \\ A & & \end{array} \quad (1.2)$$

where  $i_Q$  is natural inclusion. In particular, the algebra  $\text{Cl}(V, Q)$  together with the map  $i_Q : V \rightarrow \text{Cl}(V, Q)$  satisfying  $i_Q(v) \cdot i_Q(v) = Q(v) \cdot 1$  is uniquely determined by this property up to isomorphism (see [3]).

If  $Q = 0$ , one recovers precisely the definition of exterior algebra, so  $\wedge(V) = \text{Cl}(V, Q = 0)$ .

For the realization of the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}(V, Q)$ , the following lemma is useful.

**LEMMA 1.3.** *The structure map  $i_Q : V \rightarrow \text{Cl}(V, Q)$  is injective. Thus  $V$  will be viewed as a subspace of  $\text{Cl}(V, Q)$ . If  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  form a basis for  $V$ , then the products*

$$e_{i_1} e_{i_2} \cdots e_{i_k}, \quad 1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_k \leq n, \quad (1.3)$$

and 1 form a basis of the real vector space  $\text{Cl}(V, Q)$  (see [2, 3]).

We deal with the real vector spaces with nondegenerate quadratic form  $Q$ . Due to the Sylvester theorem, any nondegenerate quadratic form on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is equivalent to a quadratic form of type

$$Q(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \cdots + x_p^2 - x_{p+1}^2 - x_{p+2}^2 - \cdots - x_{p+q}^2 \quad (1.4)$$

(see [1]). If  $V = \mathbb{R}^n$  is a real vector space with the quadratic form  $Q : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $Q(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \cdots + x_p^2 - x_{p+1}^2 - x_{p+2}^2 - \cdots - x_{p+q}^2$ , then the corresponding Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}(V, Q)$  is denoted by  $\text{Cl}_{p,q}$  ( $n = p + q$ ). Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_p, \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_q$  be a Sylvester basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then following relations hold:  $e_i^2 = 1$  ( $1 \leq i \leq p$ ),  $\varepsilon_i^2 = -1$  ( $1 \leq i \leq q$ ) and  $e_i e_j = -e_j e_i$ ,  $\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j = -\varepsilon_j \varepsilon_i$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $e_i \varepsilon_j = -\varepsilon_j e_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq p, 1 \leq j \leq q$ .

**1.1. Calculations for some lower dimensions.** Let  $\Psi_{p,q}$  denote the isomorphism from the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{p,q}$  to the related matrix algebra and for  $K = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ , or  $\mathbb{H}$ , we denote by  $K(n)$  the algebra of  $n \times n$ -matrices with entries in  $K$ .

For  $n = 0$ ,  $\text{Cl}_{0,0} \cong \mathbb{R}$

For  $n = 1$ ,  $\text{Cl}_{0,1} \cong \mathbb{C}$  by  $\Psi_{0,1}(e) = i$  and  $\text{Cl}_{1,0} \cong \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}$  by  $\Psi_{1,0}(e) = (-1, 1)$

For  $n = 2$ ,

(i) the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{0,2}$  is isomorphic to the quaternion algebra  $\mathbb{H}$  by the isomorphism  $\Psi_{0,2} : \text{Cl}_{0,2} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$ ,  $\Psi_{0,2}(e_1) = i$ ,  $\Psi_{0,2}(e_2) = j$  and so  $\Psi_{0,2}(e_1 e_2) = k$ ;

(ii) the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{2,0}$  is isomorphic to the matrix algebra  $\mathbb{R}(2)$  by the isomorphism  $\Psi_{2,0} : \text{Cl}_{2,0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(2)$ ,  $\Psi_{2,0}(e_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\Psi_{2,0}(e_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and so  $\Psi_{2,0}(e_1 e_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ;

- (iii) the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{1,1}$  is isomorphic to the matrix algebra  $\mathbb{R}(2)$  by the isomorphism  $\Psi_{1,1} : \text{Cl}_{1,1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(2)$ ,  $\Psi_{1,1}(e_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\Psi_{1,1}(\varepsilon_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and so  $\Psi_{1,1}(e_1\varepsilon_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

To determine  $\text{Cl}_{p,q}$  for higher values of  $n = p + q$ , the following proposition is useful.

**PROPOSITION 1.4.** *There are isomorphisms*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cl}_{0,m+2} &\cong \text{Cl}_{m,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2}, \\ \text{Cl}_{m+2,0} &\cong \text{Cl}_{0,m} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0}, \\ \text{Cl}_{p+1,q+1} &\cong \text{Cl}_{p,q} \otimes \text{Cl}_{1,1}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

(We note that ungraded tensor product is meant throughout the paper.)

The first isomorphism  $\pi_1 : \text{Cl}_{0,m+2} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_{m,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2}$  is given by

$$\pi_1(e_i) = \begin{cases} \varepsilon_{i-2} \otimes e_1 e_2, & \text{if } 3 \leq i \leq m+2, \\ 1 \otimes e_i, & \text{if } i = 1 \text{ and } i = 2, \end{cases} \quad (1.6)$$

the second isomorphism  $\pi_2 : \text{Cl}_{m+2,0} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_{0,m} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0}$  can be given by

$$\pi_2(\varepsilon_i) = \begin{cases} e_{i-2} \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2, & \text{if } 3 \leq i \leq m+2, \\ 1 \otimes \varepsilon_i, & \text{if } i = 1 \text{ and } i = 2 \end{cases} \quad (1.7)$$

and the third one  $\pi_3 : \text{Cl}_{p+1,q+1} \rightarrow \text{Cl}_{p,q} \otimes \text{Cl}_{1,1}$  can be given by

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_3(e_i) &= \begin{cases} e_i \otimes e_1 \varepsilon, & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq p, \\ 1 \otimes e_1, & \text{if } i = p+1, \end{cases} \\ \pi_3(\varepsilon_j) &= \begin{cases} \varepsilon_j \otimes e_1 \varepsilon_1, & \text{if } 1 \leq j \leq q, \\ 1 \otimes \varepsilon_1, & \text{if } j = q+1. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (1.8)$$

By applying the above isomorphisms recursively, it is possible to get isomorphisms of Clifford algebras, but to apply these isomorphisms, we need some further isomorphisms among the various real algebras.

**PROPOSITION 1.5.** *The following isomorphisms hold.*

- (i)  $\mathbb{R}(m) \otimes K \cong K(m)$  by  $[a_{ij}] \otimes k \mapsto [a_{ij}k]$  where  $K = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$ , or  $\mathbb{H}$ .
- (ii)  $\mathbb{R}(m) \otimes \mathbb{R}(n) \cong \mathbb{R}(mn)$  by  $A \otimes B \mapsto [a_{ij}B]$  (this operation is called the Kronecker product of  $A$  and  $B$ ), where  $A = [a_{ij}]$ .
- (iii)  $\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{C}(2)$ . For this isomorphism, consider  $\mathbb{H}$  as a  $\mathbb{C}$  module under left scalar multiplication, and define an  $\mathbb{R}$ -bilinear map  $\Psi : \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{H}, \mathbb{H})$  by setting  $\Psi_{z,q}(x) = zx\bar{q}$  and this extends (by the universal property of tensor product) to an  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map  $\Psi : \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{H}, \mathbb{H}) \cong \mathbb{C}(2)$ . This is an isomorphism (see [3]). The images of the basis elements  $1 \otimes 1$ ,  $1 \otimes i$ ,  $1 \otimes j$ ,  $1 \otimes k$ ,  $i \otimes 1$ ,  $i \otimes i$ ,  $i \otimes j$ ,  $i \otimes k$  of

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$\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{H}$  under this isomorphism are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi_{1,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, & \Psi_{1,i} &= \begin{bmatrix} -i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}, & \Psi_{1,j} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Psi_{1,k} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ -i & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \Psi_{i,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}, & \Psi_{i,i} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, & \Psi_{i,j} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Psi_{i,k} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{1.9}$$

- (iv)  $\mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{R}(4)$ . For this isomorphism, consider the  $\mathbb{R}$ -bilinear map  $\Psi : \mathbb{H} \times \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{H}, \mathbb{H}) \cong \mathbb{R}(4)$  given by  $\Psi_{q_1, q_2}(x) = q_1 x \bar{q}_2$ . This map extends (by the universal property of tensor product) to an  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map  $\Psi : \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{H}, \mathbb{H}) \cong \mathbb{R}(4)$ . This is an isomorphism (see [3]). The images of the basis elements  $1 \otimes 1, 1 \otimes i, 1 \otimes j, 1 \otimes k, i \otimes 1, i \otimes i, i \otimes j, i \otimes k, j \otimes 1, j \otimes i, j \otimes j, j \otimes k, k \otimes 1, k \otimes i, k \otimes j, k \otimes k$  of  $\mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{H}$  under this isomorphism areas are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{1,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{1,i} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{1,j} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \Phi_{1,k} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{i,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{i,i} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \Phi_{i,j} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{i,k} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{j,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \Phi_{j,i} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{j,j} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{j,k} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \Phi_{k,1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{k,i} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, & \Phi_{k,j} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \Phi_{k,k} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{1.10}$$

Now we can determine some further Clifford algebras as follows.

Recall that  $\text{Cl}_{0,0} \cong \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\text{Cl}_{0,1} \cong \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\text{Cl}_{1,0} \cong \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\text{Cl}_{0,2} \cong \mathbb{H}$ , and  $\text{Cl}_{2,0} \cong \mathbb{R}(2)$ .

By applying isomorphism  $\pi_1$  to  $\text{Cl}_{0,3}$  we have  $\text{Cl}_{0,3} \cong \text{Cl}_{1,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2}$ . Since  $\text{Cl}_{1,0} \cong \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}$  and  $\text{Cl}_{0,2} \cong \mathbb{H}$ , by Proposition 1.5(i) we have  $\text{Cl}_{0,3} \cong (\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}) \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{R} \otimes \mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{R} \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{H}$ .

Similarly by applying the isomorphism  $\pi_2$  to  $\text{Cl}_{3,0}$  we have  $\text{Cl}_{3,0} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,1} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0}$ . Since  $\text{Cl}_{0,1} \cong \mathbb{C}$  and  $\text{Cl}_{2,0} \cong \mathbb{R}(2)$ , by Proposition 1.5(i) we have  $\text{Cl}_{3,0} \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{C}(2)$ .

By applying  $\pi_1$  to  $\text{Cl}_{0,4}$  we have  $\text{Cl}_{0,4} \cong \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2}$ . Since  $\text{Cl}_{2,0} \cong \mathbb{R}(2)$  and  $\text{Cl}_{0,2} \cong \mathbb{H}$ , by Proposition 1.5(i) we have  $\text{Cl}_{0,4} \cong \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{H}(2)$ .

Similarly by applying  $\pi_2$  to  $\text{Cl}_{4,0}$  we have  $\text{Cl}_{4,0} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0}$ . Since  $\text{Cl}_{2,0} \cong \mathbb{R}(2)$  and  $\text{Cl}_{0,2} \cong \mathbb{H}$ , by Proposition 1.5(i) we have  $\text{Cl}_{4,0} \cong \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{H}(2)$ . If we continue in similar way, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Cl}_{0,5} &\cong \text{Cl}_{0,1} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes (\mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2)) \\
&\cong (\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{H}) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{C}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong (\mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2)) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \\
&\cong \mathbb{C} \otimes (\mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2)) \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(4) \cong \mathbb{C}(4), \\
\text{Cl}_{0,6} &\cong \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \cong \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \\
&\cong \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{R}(4) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{R}(8), \\
\text{Cl}_{0,7} &\cong \text{Cl}_{0,3} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \cong (\mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{H}) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \\
&\cong (\mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{H}) \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong (\mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{H}) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \\
&\cong (\mathbb{R}(4) \oplus \mathbb{R}(4)) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{R}(8) \oplus \mathbb{R}(8), \\
\text{Cl}_{0,8} &\cong \text{Cl}_{0,4} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \cong \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \\
&\cong \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{H} \cong \mathbb{R}(4) \otimes \mathbb{R}(4) \cong \mathbb{R}(16), \\
\text{Cl}_{5,0} &\cong \text{Cl}_{1,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \cong (\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}) \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \\
&\cong (\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}) \otimes (\mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H}) \cong (\mathbb{R}(2) \oplus \mathbb{R}(2)) \otimes \mathbb{H} \\
&\cong (\mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H}) \otimes (\mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H}) \cong (\mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2)) \otimes (\mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2)) \\
&\cong \mathbb{H}(2) \oplus \mathbb{H}(2), \\
\text{Cl}_{6,0} &\cong \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \cong \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \\
&\cong \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(4) \cong \mathbb{H}(4), \\
\text{Cl}_{7,0} &\cong \text{Cl}_{3,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \cong \mathbb{C}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \\
&\cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{C}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(4) \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(4) \\
&\cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(8) \cong \mathbb{C}(8), \\
\text{Cl}_{8,0} &\cong \text{Cl}_{4,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \cong \mathbb{H}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \\
&\cong \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{H} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{R}(4) \otimes \mathbb{R}(4) \cong \mathbb{R}(16).
\end{aligned} \tag{1.11}$$

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Table 1.1

$m$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$\text{Cl}_{0,m}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{C}$	$\mathbb{H}$	$\mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{H}$	$\mathbb{H}(2)$	$\mathbb{C}(4)$	$\mathbb{R}(8)$	$\mathbb{R}(8) \oplus \mathbb{R}(8)$	$\mathbb{R}(16)$
$\text{Cl}_{m,0}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{R}(2)$	$\mathbb{C}(2)$	$\mathbb{H}(2)$	$\mathbb{H}(2) \oplus \mathbb{H}(2)$	$\mathbb{H}(4)$	$\mathbb{C}(8)$	$\mathbb{R}(16)$

Table 1.2

$-q \pmod{8}$	$\text{Cl}_{0,q}$
0, 2	$\mathbb{R}(2^{q/2})$
1	$\mathbb{R}(2^{(q-1)/2}) \oplus \mathbb{R}(2^{(q-1)/2})$
3, 7	$\mathbb{C}(2^{(q-1)/2})$
4, 6	$\mathbb{H}(2^{(q-2)/2})$
5	$\mathbb{H}(2^{(q-1)/2}) \oplus \mathbb{H}(2^{(q-1)/2})$

All of these calculations yields Table 1.1.

By composing the isomorphisms  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  we get an isomorphism from the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{0,m+4}$  to  $\text{Cl}_{0,m} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2}$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi : \text{Cl}_{0,m+4} &\longrightarrow \text{Cl}_{m+2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \longrightarrow \text{Cl}_{0,m} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2}, \\
\epsilon_1 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \epsilon_1 \longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon_1, \\
\epsilon_2 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \epsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \epsilon_2, \\
\epsilon_3 &\longmapsto e_1 \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes e_1 \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2, \\
\epsilon_4 &\longmapsto e_2 \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2, \\
\epsilon_5 &\longmapsto e_3 \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \longmapsto \epsilon_1 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2, \\
\epsilon_6 &\longmapsto e_4 \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \longmapsto \epsilon_2 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2, \\
&\vdots \longmapsto \vdots \longmapsto \vdots \\
\epsilon_{n+4} &\longmapsto e_{n+2} \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \longmapsto \epsilon_n \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2.
\end{aligned} \tag{1.12}$$

In particular, if we take  $m = 8$  and use the isomorphism  $\pi$  two times, then we can write

$$\text{Cl}_{0,8} \cong \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2}. \tag{1.13}$$

On the other hand, if we start with the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{0,m+8}$  and apply the isomorphism  $\pi$  two times, then we get the isomorphism  $\text{Cl}_{0,m+8} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,m} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2}$ . If we use (1.13) in the last expression, then we get the periodicity relation

$$\text{Cl}_{0,m+8} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,m} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,8} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,m} \otimes \mathbb{R}(16). \tag{1.14}$$

The periodicity  $\text{Cl}_{m+8,0} \cong \text{Cl}_{m,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{8,0} \cong \text{Cl}_{m,0} \otimes \mathbb{R}(16)$  can be obtained similarly.

By using the above periodicity relations we can easily determine the Clifford algebras  $\text{Cl}_{0,m}$  and  $\text{Cl}_{m,0}$  recursively for the higher values of  $m$  and we get Tables 1.2 and 1.3.

Table 1.3

$p \pmod{8}$	$\text{Cl}_{p,0}$
0, 2	$\mathbb{R}(2^{p/2})$
1	$\mathbb{R}(2^{(p-1)/2}) \oplus \mathbb{R}(2^{(p-1)/2})$
3, 7	$\mathbb{C}(2^{(p-1)/2})$
4, 6	$\mathbb{H}(2^{(p-2)/2})$
5	$\mathbb{H}(2^{(p-1)/2}) \oplus \mathbb{H}(2^{(p-1)/2})$

Table 1.4

$(p - q) \pmod{8}$	$p + q$	$\text{Cl}_{p,q}$
0, 2	$2m$	$\mathbb{R}(2^m)$
1	$2m + 1$	$\mathbb{R}(2^m) \oplus \mathbb{R}(2^m)$
3, 7	$2m + 1$	$\mathbb{C}(2^m)$
4, 6	$2m + 2$	$\mathbb{H}(2^m)$
5	$2m + 3$	$\mathbb{H}(2^m) \oplus \mathbb{H}(2^m)$

To determine Clifford algebras of type  $\text{Cl}_{p,q}$  ( $p, q > 0$ ), the isomorphism  $\pi_3$  and Tables 1.2 and 1.3 are enough. For example, if we start by applying isomorphism  $\pi_3$  to  $\text{Cl}_{2,2}$ , we have  $\text{Cl}_{2,2} \cong \text{Cl}_{1,1} \otimes \text{Cl}_{1,1}$ . Since  $\text{Cl}_{1,1} \cong \mathbb{R}(2)$ , by Proposition 1.5(ii) we have  $\text{Cl}_{2,2} \cong \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{R}(4)$ . Similarly  $\text{Cl}_{3,3} \cong \text{Cl}_{2,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{1,1} \cong \mathbb{R}(4) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{R}(8)$ . Similarly for  $p = q$  we have  $\text{Cl}_{p,p} \cong \mathbb{R}(2^p)$ . If we apply  $\pi_3$  to  $\text{Cl}_{1,2}$ , then we get  $\text{Cl}_{1,2} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,1} \otimes \text{Cl}_{1,1}$ . Since  $\text{Cl}_{0,1} \cong \mathbb{C}$  and  $\text{Cl}_{1,1} \cong \mathbb{R}(2)$ , by Proposition 1.5(i) we can write  $\text{Cl}_{1,2} \cong \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{C}(2)$ . Similarly  $\text{Cl}_{2,3} \cong \text{Cl}_{1,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{1,1} \cong \mathbb{C}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \cong \mathbb{C}(4)$ . Similarly for  $q = p+1$  we have  $\text{Cl}_{p,p+1} \cong \mathbb{C}(2^p)$ . Therefore, by continuing in a completely similar fashion for other values of  $p, q$  ( $p, q > 0$ ), we obtain Table 1.4.

We also point out that there are periodicity isomorphisms  $\text{Cl}_{p+8,q} \cong \text{Cl}_{p,q} \otimes \text{Cl}_{8,0}$  and  $\text{Cl}_{p,q+8} \cong \text{Cl}_{p,q} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,8}$  for Clifford algebras (see [4]).

Our goal is give a method for the explicit expressions of the Clifford algebra isomorphisms. To do this firstly we obtain isomorphisms for the Clifford algebras of type  $\text{Cl}_{0,m}$ .

## 2. Isomorphisms of nondegenerate Clifford algebras

**2.1. Isomorphisms for the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{0,m}$ .** First we obtain isomorphisms of  $\text{Cl}_{0,m}$  for  $1 \leq m \leq 8$ , then by using the periodicity isomorphism  $\text{Cl}_{0,m+8} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,m} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,8} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,m} \otimes \mathbb{R}(16)$  we achieve the other isomorphisms.

**2.1.1. Isomorphisms of  $\text{Cl}_{0,m}$  for  $1 \leq m \leq 8$ .** Above we have given the isomorphisms  $\Psi_{1,0} : \text{Cl}_{0,1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and  $\Psi_{0,2} : \text{Cl}_{0,2} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$  and the others are as follows.

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(1)  $\Psi_{0,3} : \text{Cl}_{0,3} \rightarrow \mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{H}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cl}_{0,3} &\longrightarrow \text{Cl}_{1,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \longrightarrow (\mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}) \otimes \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{H} \oplus \mathbb{H}, \\ \varepsilon_1 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \longmapsto (1, 1) \otimes i \longmapsto (i, i), \\ \varepsilon_2 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto (1, 1) \otimes j \longmapsto (j, j), \\ \varepsilon_3 &\longmapsto e_1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto (1, -1) \otimes k \longmapsto (k, -k). \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

(2)  $\Psi_{0,4} : \text{Cl}_{0,4} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}(2)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cl}_{0,4} &\longrightarrow \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{H} \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}(2), \\ \varepsilon_1 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes i \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix}, \\ \varepsilon_2 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes j \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} j & 0 \\ 0 & j \end{bmatrix}, \\ \varepsilon_3 &\longmapsto e_1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes k \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & k \\ k & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\ \varepsilon_4 &\longmapsto e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes k \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & -k \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

(3)  $\Psi_{0,5} : \text{Cl}_{0,5} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}(4)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cl}_{0,5} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(4) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}(4), \\ \varepsilon_1 &\longmapsto i \otimes \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} -i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i \end{bmatrix}, \\ \varepsilon_2 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\varepsilon_3 &\longmapsto i \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ -i & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\
\varepsilon_4 &\longmapsto i \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i \\ -i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \\
\varepsilon_5 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

(4)  $\Psi_{0,6} : \text{Cl}_{0,6} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(8)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Psi_{0,6}(\varepsilon_1) &= -\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes I, \\
\Psi_{0,6}(\varepsilon_2) &= -\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes I \otimes I, \\
\Psi_{0,6}(\varepsilon_3) &= -\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1, \\
\Psi_{0,6}(\varepsilon_4) &= -\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2, \\
\Psi_{0,6}(\varepsilon_5) &= \sigma_1 \otimes I \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2, \\
\Psi_{0,6}(\varepsilon_6) &= -\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2,
\end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

where  $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(5)  $\Psi_{0,7} : \text{Cl}_{0,6} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(8) \oplus \mathbb{R}(8)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\varepsilon_1 &\longmapsto (-\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes I, -\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes I), \\
\varepsilon_2 &\longmapsto (-\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes I \otimes I, -\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes I \otimes I), \\
\varepsilon_3 &\longmapsto (-\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1, -\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1), \\
\varepsilon_4 &\longmapsto (-\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2, -\sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2), \\
\varepsilon_5 &\longmapsto (\sigma_1 \otimes I \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2, \sigma_1 \otimes I \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2), \\
\varepsilon_6 &\longmapsto (-\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2, -\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2), \\
\varepsilon_7 &\longmapsto (\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2, \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

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(6)  $\Psi_{0,8} : \text{Cl}_{0,8} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(16)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\varepsilon_1 &\longmapsto -I \otimes I \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2, \\
\varepsilon_2 &\longmapsto -I \otimes I \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes I, \\
\varepsilon_3 &\longmapsto -I \otimes \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2, \\
\varepsilon_4 &\longmapsto -I \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2, \\
\varepsilon_5 &\longmapsto I \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \otimes I, \\
\varepsilon_6 &\longmapsto -I \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1, \\
\varepsilon_7 &\longmapsto \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2, \\
\varepsilon_8 &\longmapsto \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

*2.1.2. Isomorphisms of  $\text{Cl}_{0,n+8}$  for  $n \geq 1$ .* Now we want to obtain explicit form of the isomorphism (2):

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Cl}_{0,n+8} &\longrightarrow \text{Cl}_{0,n+4} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \longrightarrow \text{Cl}_{0,n} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \otimes \text{Cl}_{0,2}, \\
\varepsilon_1 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varepsilon_1, \\
\varepsilon_2 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varepsilon_2, \\
\varepsilon_3 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes e_1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes e_1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2, \\
\varepsilon_4 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes 1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2, \\
\varepsilon_5 &\longmapsto \varepsilon_1 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2, \\
\varepsilon_6 &\longmapsto \varepsilon_2 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes 1 \otimes \varepsilon_2 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2, \\
\varepsilon_7 &\longmapsto \varepsilon_3 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes e_1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2, \\
\varepsilon_8 &\longmapsto \varepsilon_4 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2, \\
\varepsilon_9 &\longmapsto \varepsilon_5 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto \varepsilon_1 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2, \\
\varepsilon_{10} &\longmapsto \varepsilon_6 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto \varepsilon_2 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2, \\
&\vdots \longmapsto \vdots \longmapsto \vdots \\
\varepsilon_{n+8} &\longmapsto \varepsilon_{n+4} \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto \varepsilon_n \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \otimes e_1 e_2 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2. \tag{2.7}
\end{aligned}$$

Then we get the isomorphism  $\Psi_{0,n+8}$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \varepsilon_1 \longmapsto 1 \otimes A_1, \\
& \varepsilon_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes A_2, \\
& \varepsilon_3 \longmapsto 1 \otimes A_3, \\
& \varepsilon_4 \longmapsto 1 \otimes A_4, \\
& \varepsilon_5 \longmapsto 1 \otimes A_5, \\
& \varepsilon_6 \longmapsto 1 \otimes A_6, \\
& \varepsilon_7 \longmapsto 1 \otimes A_7, \\
& \varepsilon_8 \longmapsto 1 \otimes A_8, \\
& \varepsilon_9 \longmapsto \varepsilon_1 \otimes B, \\
& \varepsilon_{10} \longmapsto \varepsilon_2 \otimes B, \\
& \vdots \longmapsto \vdots \\
& \varepsilon_{n+8} \longmapsto \varepsilon_n \otimes B,
\end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

where  $A_1 = \Psi_{0,8}(\varepsilon_1)$ ,  $A_2 = \Psi_{0,8}(\varepsilon_2)$ ,  $A_3 = \Psi_{0,8}(\varepsilon_3)$ ,  $A_4 = \Psi_{0,8}(\varepsilon_4)$ ,  $A_5 = \Psi_{0,8}(\varepsilon_5)$ ,  $A_6 = \Psi_{0,8}(\varepsilon_6)$ ,  $A_7 = \Psi_{0,8}(\varepsilon_7)$ ,  $A_8 = \Psi_{0,8}(\varepsilon_8)$  and  $B = \sigma_1\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_1\sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2$ . Note that  $B$  is symmetric with  $B^2 = I$  and it anticommutes with the matrices  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_8$ . The explicit form  $B$  is as follows:

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**2.2. Isomorphisms for the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{m,0}$ .** Now by using the above isomorphism we determine isomorphisms for Clifford algebras  $\text{Cl}_{m,0}$ . Above we have given the isomorphisms  $\Psi_{1,0} : \text{Cl}_{1,0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}$  and  $\Psi_{2,0} : \text{Cl}_{2,0} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(2)$  and the others can be obtained easily. For example, we know that  $\text{Cl}_{3,0} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,1} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cl}_{3,0} &\longrightarrow \text{Cl}_{0,1} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}(2), \\ e_1 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes e_1 \longmapsto 1 \otimes \sigma_1 \longmapsto \sigma_1, \\ e_2 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes e_2 \longmapsto 1 \otimes \sigma_2 \longmapsto \sigma_2, \\ e_3 &\longmapsto \varepsilon_1 \otimes e_1 e_2 \longmapsto i \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \longmapsto i\sigma_1 \sigma_2, \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

that is,  $\Psi_{3,0} = \Psi_{0,1} \otimes \Psi_{2,0}$ . Generally the isomorphism  $\Psi_{n+2,0}$  of  $\text{Cl}_{n+2,0}$  can be expressed as  $\Psi_{n+2,0} = \Psi_{0,n} \otimes \Psi_{2,0}$  since  $\text{Cl}_{n+2,0} \cong \text{Cl}_{0,n} \otimes \text{Cl}_{2,0}$ .

**2.3. Isomorphisms for the Clifford algebra  $\text{Cl}_{p,q}$  ( $p, q > 0$ ).** Now by using the above isomorphisms we determine isomorphisms for Clifford algebras  $\text{Cl}_{p,q}$ . Above we have given the isomorphism  $\Psi_{1,1} : \text{Cl}_{1,1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(2)$  and the others can be obtained easily. For example, we know that  $\text{Cl}_{2,2} \cong \text{Cl}_{1,1} \otimes \text{Cl}_{1,1}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cl}_{2,2} &\longrightarrow \text{Cl}_{1,1} \otimes \text{Cl}_{1,1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}(2) \otimes \mathbb{R}(2) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}(4), \\ e_1 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes e_1 \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \longmapsto I \otimes \sigma_1, \\ e_2 &\longmapsto e_1 \otimes e_1 \varepsilon_1 \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \longmapsto \sigma_1 \otimes \sigma_2, \\ \varepsilon_1 &\longmapsto 1 \otimes \varepsilon_1 \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \longmapsto I \otimes \sigma_1 \sigma_2, \\ \varepsilon_2 &\longmapsto \varepsilon_1 \otimes e_1 \varepsilon_1 \longmapsto \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \longmapsto \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \otimes \sigma_2, \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

that is,  $\Psi_{2,2} = \Psi_{1,1} \otimes \Psi_{1,1}$ . Generally the isomorphism  $\Psi_{p+1,q+1}$  of  $\text{Cl}_{p+1,q+1}$  can be expressed as  $\Psi_{p+1,q+1} = \Psi_{p,q} \otimes \Psi_{1,1}$  since  $\text{Cl}_{p+1,q+1} \cong \text{Cl}_{p,q} \otimes \text{Cl}_{1,1}$ .

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