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**BRANCHING RULES
FOR $sp(2N)$ ALGEBRA REDUCTION
ON THE CHAIN $sp(2N-2) \times sp(2)$**

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I. Introduction

Few years ago the so-called missing labels problem in the algebra reductions

$$sp(2N) \rightsquigarrow sp(2N-2) \times A_N^N \tag{1a}$$

and

$$sp(2N) \rightsquigarrow sp(2N-2) \times sp(2) \tag{1b}$$

was investigated¹ (here A_N^N is an operator from the Cartan subalgebra $sp(2N)$). Two different solutions on the set of the missing label operators were obtained, but only one solution referred here as (b) (see (1a, b)) contains the Casimir of the $sp(2)$ subalgebra

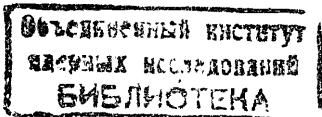
$$C_{(N)}^2 = 2(A_N^N)^2 + A_{-N}^N A_N^{-N} - A_N^{-N} A_{-N}^N, \tag{2}$$

where A_p^m are the algebra generators,

The problem of the branching rules for the reduction (1a) has been solved many years ago in Zhelobenko paper². Denoting shortly by $|\Omega\rangle$ the vectors belonging to the BUIR we have

$$|\Omega\rangle = \left| \begin{array}{cccccccc} \Omega_1^N & \Omega_2^N & \Omega_3^N & \dots & \dots & \dots & \Omega_N^N \\ \bar{\Gamma}_1^N & \bar{\Gamma}_2^N & \bar{\Gamma}_3^N & \dots & \dots & \dots & \bar{\Gamma}_{N-1}^N \bar{\Gamma}_N^N \\ \Omega_1^{N-1} & \Omega_2^{N-1} & \Omega_3^{N-1} & \dots & \dots & \dots & \Omega_{N-1}^{N-1} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ & & & & & & \Omega_1^1 \\ & & & & & & \bar{\Gamma}_1^1 \end{array} \right\rangle, \tag{3a}$$

where the first row labels the UIR of the $sp(2N)$ algebra, third row labels the UIR of the $sp(2N-2)$ algebra, and so on. The eigenvalue for operator A_k^k is denoted by h_k and we have



$$h_k = \sum_{p=1}^k \Omega_p^k + \sum_{p=1}^{k-1} \Omega_p^{k-1} - 2 \sum_{p=1}^k \Gamma_p^k. \quad (3b)$$

All numbers entering to the pattern (3a) are positive integers and the branching rules for the reduction (1a) are contained in the systems of inequalities

$$\Omega_1^k \geq \Gamma_1^k \geq \Omega_2^k \geq \Gamma_2^k \geq \dots \geq \Omega_k^k \geq \Gamma_k^k \geq 0 \quad \text{for } k=N, N-1, \dots, 1 \quad (3c)$$

$$\Gamma_1^k \geq \Omega_1^{k-1} \geq \Gamma_2^k \geq \Omega_2^{k-1} \geq \dots \geq \Omega_{k-1}^{k-1} \geq \Gamma_k^k \quad \text{for } k=N, N-1, \dots, 2. \quad (3d)$$

Hence we see that the same representation of the subalgebra $sp(2k-2) \times A_k^k$ may be found more than one times in the $(\Omega_1^k, \Omega_2^k, \dots, \Omega_k^k)$ representation of the $sp(2k)$ algebra and we use $k-1$ missing label number $\Gamma_1^k, \Gamma_2^k, \dots, \Gamma_{k-1}^k$ to distinguish them (here Γ_k^k is dependent on the h_k , see (3b)). If we take into the consideration the results of the paper¹ we see that the pattern (3a-d) is appropriate for labeling the states in the orthogonal base reduced on the chain (1a). In the next Section we will find branching rules and an appropriate pattern for the reduction (1b).

II. Branching Rules for Reduction $sp(2N) \searrow sp(2N-2) \times sp(2)$

The following pattern may be used, instead of (3a), for labeling the vectors in BUIR of the $sp(2N)$ algebra

$$|(\Omega)\rangle = \left| \begin{array}{cccccccc} \Omega_1^N & \Omega_2^N & \Omega_3^N & \dots & \dots & \dots & \Omega_N^N \\ \Gamma_1^N & \Gamma_2^N & \Gamma_3^N & \dots & \dots & \dots & \Gamma_{N-1}^N & h_N \\ \Omega_1^{N-1} & \Omega_2^{N-1} & \Omega_3^{N-1} & \dots & \dots & \dots & \Omega_N^{N-1} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \Omega_1^1 & & & & & & & h_1 \end{array} \right\rangle, \quad (4a)$$

where the meaning of the Ω 's numbers is the same as in (3a). The eigenvalue of $C_{(k)}^2$ operators (2) are equal to $2\sigma_k(\sigma_k+2)$ and we have

$$\sigma_k = \sum_{p=1}^k \Omega_p^k + \sum_{p=1}^{k-1} \Omega_p^{k-1} - 2 \sum_{p=1}^k \Gamma_p^k \quad (4b)$$

The branching rules for the reduction (1b) are contained in the system of inequalities ($k = N, N-1, \dots, 2$)

$$\Omega_1^k \geq \Gamma_1^k \geq \Omega_2^k \geq \Gamma_2^k \geq \dots \geq \Gamma_{k-1}^k \geq \Omega_k^k \quad (4c)$$

$$\Gamma_1^k \geq \Omega_1^{k-1} \geq \Gamma_2^k \geq \Omega_2^{k-1} \geq \dots \geq \Gamma_{k-1}^k \geq \Omega_{k-1}^{k-1} \quad (4d)$$

$$\sum_{p=a}^{k-1} (\Omega_{p+1}^k + \Omega_p^{k-1}) \geq \Gamma_a^k + 2 \sum_{p=a}^{k-1} \Gamma_p^k \quad \text{for } a=1, 2, \dots, k-1. \quad (4e)$$

$$(4f)$$

Proof

Let us consider two sets $\Delta^k(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k; M)$ and $\bar{\Delta}^k(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k; M)$. The first one contains points $X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$, where the x_i are integer or halfinteger numbers bounded by the system inequalities (5) and M is given by (6)

$$A_i \geq x_i \geq -A_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, k \quad (5)$$

$$M = \sum_{i=1}^k x_i. \quad (6)$$

The second one contains points $Y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k)$ where coordinates y_i are integer or halfinteger numbers satisfying relations

$$A_{p+1} + y_{p-1} \geq y_p \geq |A_{p+1} - y_{p-1}| \quad \text{for } p=1, 2, \dots, k-1 \quad (7a, b, c)$$

$$y_{k-1} \geq y_k \geq -y_{k-1}. \quad (7d)$$

Here $y_0 = A_1$ and $y_k = M$

The dimensions of the sets Δ^k and $\bar{\Delta}^k$ are the same. The above result follows from the relation

$$D[\bar{\Delta}^k(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k; M)] = \sum D[\bar{\Delta}^{k-1}(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{k-1}; M-m)] \times D[\Delta^1(A_k, m)], \quad (8)$$

where by $D[R]$ we denote the dimension of the set R . The proof of (8) is rather easy by induction for k .

It is obvious from (3b-d) and (10) that the representation of the algebra $sp(2k-2) \times A_k^k : (\Omega_1^{k-1}, \Omega_2^{k-1}, \dots, \Omega_{k-1}^{k-1}) \times h_k$ enters $D[\Delta^k(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k; \frac{1}{2}h_k)]$ times into the representation $(\Omega_1^k, \Omega_2^k, \dots, \Omega_k^k)$, where

$$A_i = \frac{1}{2} (B_i - C_i) \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, k \quad (9a)$$

$$B_k = \Omega_1^k \quad C_1 = 0 \quad (9b, c)$$

$$B_p = \text{Min}(\Omega_{k+1-p}^k, \Omega_{k-p}^{k-1}) \quad \text{for } p=1, \dots, k-1 \quad (9d)$$

$$C_p = \text{Max}(\Omega_{k+2-p}^k, \Omega_{k+1-p}^{k-1}) \quad \text{for } p=2, 3, \dots, k \quad (9e)$$

$$X_p = -\bar{\Gamma}_{k+1-p}^k + \frac{1}{2} (B_p + C_p). \quad (10)$$

Now if we assume a simple relation between the missing label numbers occurring in the pattern (4a) and coordinates

$$y_p = \frac{1}{2} \{ B_1 + \sum (B_p + C_p - 2\Gamma_{k-p+1}^k) \} \quad (11)$$

for $a = 1, 2, \dots, k-1$ we immediately obtained from (7a,b,c) the system of inequalities (4c-e) and because σ is equal to $2y_k$ we get also (4f) from (7d) what was to show.

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Найдены правила ветвления для приведения $sp(2N) \times sp(2N-2) \times sp(2)$ и предлагается новая схема для обозначения векторов, принадлежащих базису унитарного неприводимого представления /БУНТ/.

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