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Problem 5

Demonstrate that the 2 operators $O_1(x) = \bar{\Psi}(x)\Gamma^1\Psi(x)$ and $O_2(y) = \bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^2\Psi(y)$ (where Γ^1 and Γ^2 are any of the 16 matrices considered in our bilinears discussion) commute for $(x-y)^2 < 0$ provided that the fields anticommute, $\{\Psi(x), \bar{\Psi}(y)\} = \{\Psi(x), \Psi(y)\} = \{\bar{\Psi}(x), \Psi(y)\} = \{\bar{\Psi}(x), \bar{\Psi}(y)\} = 0$ for $(x-y)^2 < 0$.

$$[O_1(x), O_2(y)] = [\bar{\Psi}(x)\Gamma^1\Psi(x), \bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^2\Psi(y)]$$

$$= \bar{\Psi}(x)\Gamma^1\Psi(x)\bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^2\Psi(y) - \bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^2\Psi(y)\bar{\Psi}(x)\Gamma^1\Psi(x)$$

$$= \bar{\Psi}(x)\Gamma^1\Psi(x)\bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^2\Psi(y) + \bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^2\bar{\Psi}(x)\Psi(y)\Gamma^1\Psi(x)$$

This is a component equation so Γ^1, Γ^2 are simply numbers and commute with everything.

$$= \bar{\Psi}(x)\Gamma^1\Psi(x)\bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^2\Psi(y) + \bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^1\Gamma^2\bar{\Psi}(x)\Psi(y)\Psi(x)$$

$$= \bar{\Psi}(x)\Gamma^1\Psi(x)\bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^2\Psi(y) - \bar{\Psi}(y)\Gamma^1\Gamma^2\bar{\Psi}(x)\Psi(x)\Psi(y)$$

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