

Embedding Fundamental Aspects of the Relational Blockworld Interpretation in Geometric (or Clifford) Algebra

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Abstract

I summarize Silberstein, et. al.'s (2006) discussion of the derivation of the Heisenberg commutators, whose work is based on Kaiser (1981, 1990) and Bohr, et. al. (1995, 2004a,b). I argue that Bohr and Kaiser's treatment is not geometric enough, as it still relies on some unexplained residual notions concerning the unitary representation of transformations in a Hilbert space. This calls for a more consistent characterization of the role of i than standard QM can offer. I summarize David Hestenes' (1985,1986) major claims concerning the essential role Clifford algebras play in such a fundamental characterization of i , and I present a Clifford- algebraic derivation of the Heisenberg commutation relations (taken from Finkelstein, et. al. (2001)). I argue that their derivation exhibits a more fundamentally geometrical approach, which unifies geometric and ontological content. I also point out how some of Finkelstein's ontological notions of "chronon dynamics" can give a plausible explanatory account of RBW's "geometric relations."

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