

Super tensor models, super fuzzy spaces and super n-ary transformations

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Abstract

By extending the algebraic description of the bosonic rank-three tensor models, a general framework for super rank-three tensor models and correspondence to super fuzzy spaces is proposed. The corresponding super fuzzy spaces must satisfy a certain cyclicity condition on the algebras of functions on them. Due to the cyclicity condition, the symmetry of the super rank-three tensor models are represented by super n-ary transformations. The Leibnitz rules and the fundamental identities for the super n-ary transformations are discussed from the perspective of the symmetry of the algebra of a fuzzy space. It is shown that the super n-ary transformations of finite orders which conserve the algebra of a fuzzy space form a finite closed n-ary super Lie algebra. Super rank-three tensor models would be of physical interest as background independent models for dynamical generation of supersymmetric fuzzy spaces, in which quantum corrections are under control.

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1 Introduction

Tensor models have originally been introduced [1, 2, 3] to describe the simplicial quantum gravity in general dimensions higher than two, with the hope to extend the success of the matrix models in the study of the two-dimensional simplicial quantum gravity. Tensor models have later been extended to describe the spin foam and loop quantum gravities by considering Lie-group valued indices [4, 5, 6]. These models with group indices, so called group field theory [7, 8], are actively studied with various interesting recent progress [9]-[18]. While the formal arguments so far have shown the promising features of the tensor models as quantum gravity, the real connection between the tensor models and gravity has not yet been established, because of the hard and yet unknown non-perturbative dynamics of the tensor models. From this perspective, it would especially be remarkable that the leading critical behavior of the tensor models has recently been analyzed [9, 11, 12, 14] in the framework of the colored tensor models [18].

In this paper, I will consider super extension of the tensor models. One of the motivations to consider such super extension is to circumvent the above complications of the non-perturbative dynamics of the tensor models. In supersymmetric field theories, there exist various examples in which quantum corrections of bosonic and fermionic degrees of freedom cancel with each other so that the full dynamics of the theory is dramatically simplified enough to be studied analytically. Similarly, it would be possible that one can construct supersymmetric tensor models which can well be analyzed semi-classically as in [19]-[25]. In the semi-classical analysis of these papers, it has been argued that the low-lying low-momentum modes around the classical solutions corresponding to the flat spaces in the rank-three tensor models agree exactly with the modes of the general relativity or the scalar-tensor theory of gravity. Therefore supersymmetric tensor models may provide concrete examples in which the connection between the rank-three tensor models and gravity can explicitly be given.

Another motivation is to consider matters in the context of the tensor models. An interesting possibility in quantum gravity would be obtaining fermions as spinorial configurations of bosonic degrees of freedom [26]. However, in view of the present status of the rather insufficient understanding of the dynamics of the tensor models, arguments in this direction would become too speculative. A more tractable direction would be to introduce Grassmann odd variables to the tensor models. As seen in the sequel, this leads naturally to supersymmetric extension of the tensor models. By considering appropriate background solutions of the tensor models, one would obtain supersymmetric field theories on supersymmetric fuzzy spaces. This way of constructing “our world” would also be in accord with the phenomenological requirement of supersymmetry in the GUT scenarios [27].

In fact, there exist multiple ways how to introduce Grassmann odd variables to the tensor models. In this paper, I will only consider the rank-three tensor models which have a three-index tensor as their only dynamical variable, and use the correspondence between the rank-three tensor models and fuzzy spaces, which has been developed in [28, 29]. The extension of bosonic fuzzy spaces to super fuzzy spaces will naturally lead to super tensor models. An advantage of this approach is that the super tensor models so constructed naturally incorporate supersymmetries. Therefore it would be possible that the classical solutions of the super rank-three tensor models will generate various supersymmetric fuzzy spaces which have so far been constructed based on super Lie algebras [30]-[36].

In the previous papers [28, 37], it has been shown that n -ary transformations generate the symmetry transformations of the bosonic rank-three tensor models. The study with n -ary algebras in physics has been initiated by Nambu [38], who considered a 3-ary extension of the Poisson bracket to generalize Hamilton dynamics. The fundamental properties of the n -ary Nambu bracket have been formulated in [39], and the super extension has been considered in [40]. The n -ary algebras have recently attracted much attention in the context of M-theory [41, 42, 43], and have also been derived in describing some symmetric fuzzy spaces [36]. Thus the n -ary algebras provide new approaches in the study of quantum spaces, and in this paper, the previous bosonic results on n -ary transformations in [28, 37] will be extended to the super case.

This paper is organized as follows. In the following section, a general framework for super fuzzy spaces and correspondence to the rank-three tensor models is presented. A cyclicity condition on the algebra of functions on a super fuzzy space corresponds to the generalized hermiticity condition in the super tensor models. In Section 3, super transformations of basis functions are considered, and transformation properties of tensors are derived for later use. In Section 4, it is shown that, due to the cyclicity condition on the algebra of a super fuzzy space, there exists a systematic construction of the n -ary transformations which conserve the metric of the super algebra. These transformations correspond to the symmetry transformations of the super rank-three tensor models. In Section 5, Leibnitz rules and fundamental identities for the n -ary transformations are discussed from the perspective of the symmetry of the algebra of a super fuzzy space. It is shown that the n -ary transformations of finite orders which conserve the algebra of a super fuzzy space will form a finite closed n -ary super Lie algebra. In Section 6, a general method of constructing actions of the rank-three tensor models is discussed. The final section is devoted to summary and future prospects.

2 Super fuzzy spaces and super tensor models

The fundamental ingredients of a super fuzzy space are supernumbers [44] and superfunctions. They are separated into two classes, even and odd supernumbers and superfunctions. For a supernumber ξ and a superfunction ϕ_a , one may assign Z_2 grades by

$$\underline{\xi}, \underline{\phi}_a = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for even supernumber and superfunction,} \\ 1 & \text{for odd supernumber and superfunction.} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

The Z_2 grade for a superfunction will be abbreviated by using its index as

$$\underline{a} = \underline{\phi}_a \quad (2)$$

in this paper. With the Z_2 grade, the commutation between two supernumbers and between a supernumber and a superfunction is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_1 \xi_2 &= (-1)^{\underline{\xi}_1 \underline{\xi}_2} \xi_2 \xi_1, \\ \xi \phi_a &= (-1)^{\underline{a} \underline{\xi}} \phi_a \xi. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Commutation between two superfunctions does not have such a simple relation in general.

Let me introduce the complex conjugation*, which satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} (\xi_1 \xi_2)^* &= \xi_2^* \xi_1^*, \\ (\xi \phi_a)^* &= \phi_a^* \xi^*, \\ (\phi_a \phi_b)^* &= \phi_b^* \phi_a^*. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

The Z_2 grade is assumed to be unchanged under the complex conjugation. In this paper, real super fuzzy spaces are considered: the basis functions $\{\phi_a | a = 1, 2, \dots, N\}$ on a fuzzy space are assumed to satisfy

$$\phi_a^* = \phi_a. \quad (5)$$

The structure of a fuzzy space is characterized by the algebra of the basis functions,

$$\phi_a \phi_b = f_{ab}^c \phi_c. \quad (6)$$

The associativity of the algebra is not assumed in general. The structure constant f_{ab}^c takes supernumbers in general, and the consistency of (6) with the Z_2 grade requires

$$\underline{f_{ab}^c} = \underline{a} + \underline{b} + \underline{c} \pmod{2}. \quad (7)$$

*In the previous papers [28, 37], the operation of the complex conjugation was not considered explicitly. This is because both the structure constants and the symmetry transformations can be consistently taken to be real. In the super case, however, this is not possible, because super transformations contain imaginary numbers, as can be seen in the sequel. The framework in this paper can be applied to the pure bosonic case, and gives another but physically equivalent correspondence of the rank-three tensor models to fuzzy spaces.

In addition, the consistency between (5) and (6) requires

$$f_{ab}{}^{c*} = (-1)^{\underline{c}(\underline{a}+\underline{b}+\underline{c})} f_{ba}{}^c. \quad (8)$$

The algebra is assumed to have a metric,

$$\langle \phi_a | \phi_b \rangle = h_{ab}, \quad (9)$$

where h_{ab} take supernumbers, and the grade is given by

$$\underline{h}_{ab} = \underline{a} + \underline{b} \pmod{2}. \quad (10)$$

The metric (9) is assumed to be bilinear[†] with signatures inheriting from (3), such as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \xi_1 \phi_a + \xi_2 \phi_b | \phi_c \rangle &= \xi_1 \langle \phi_a | \phi_c \rangle + \xi_2 \langle \phi_b | \phi_c \rangle, \\ \langle \phi_a | \xi_1 \phi_b + \xi_2 \phi_c \rangle &= (-1)^{\underline{\xi}_1 \underline{a}} \xi_1 \langle \phi_a | \phi_b \rangle + (-1)^{\underline{\xi}_2 \underline{a}} \xi_2 \langle \phi_a | \phi_c \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

It is also assumed that the metric is consistent with the grade and the complex conjugation as

$$\begin{aligned} h_{ab}^* &= \langle \phi_a | \phi_b \rangle^* = \langle \phi_b^* | \phi_a^* \rangle = h_{ba} \\ h_{ab} &= \langle \phi_a | \phi_b \rangle = (-1)^{\underline{a}\underline{b}} \langle \phi_b | \phi_a \rangle = (-1)^{\underline{a}\underline{b}} h_{ba} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

In particular, these conditions imply that the even-even elements of h_{ab} take real values, while the odd-odd elements take pure imaginary values.

The cyclicity condition on the algebra discussed previously in the bosonic case [28, 37] can be extended to

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi_a \phi_b | \phi_c \rangle &= \langle \phi_a | \phi_b \phi_c \rangle = (-1)^{\underline{c}(\underline{a}+\underline{b})} \langle \phi_c \phi_a | \phi_b \rangle = (-1)^{\underline{c}(\underline{a}+\underline{b})} \langle \phi_c | \phi_a \phi_b \rangle \\ &= (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}+\underline{c})} \langle \phi_b \phi_c | \phi_a \rangle = (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}+\underline{c})} \langle \phi_b | \phi_c \phi_a \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

The tensor models considered in this paper are the rank-three tensor models which have a three-index tensor M_{abc} as their only dynamical variable. As in [28, 37], the correspondence between the tensor models and the fuzzy spaces is assumed to be

$$M_{abc} = f_{ab}{}^d h_{dc}. \quad (14)$$

Then one obtains

$$M_{abc} = (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}+\underline{c})} M_{bca} = (-1)^{\underline{c}(\underline{a}+\underline{b})} M_{cab} = M_{cba}^* = (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}+\underline{c})} M_{acb}^* = (-1)^{\underline{c}(\underline{a}+\underline{b})} M_{bac}^*. \quad (15)$$

from the properties of the algebra. This is the super extension of the generalized hermiticity condition in the tensor models.

[†] In this paper, the complex conjugation is not applied to the bra state unlike what is usual in quantum mechanics. This convention is simple and natural, because the functions are real in the present case. Otherwise, the complex conjugation would complicate the rules of signatures. See for example [45].

3 Super transformations of basis functions

Let me consider the following infinitesimal transformation of basis functions,

$$\delta\phi_a = T_a^b \phi_b, \quad (16)$$

where T_a^b take supernumbers. The consistency of the grade in (16) requires

$$\underline{T}_a^b = \underline{a} + \underline{b} \pmod{2}. \quad (17)$$

The reality condition (5) requires

$$T_a^b = (-1)^{b(\underline{a}+b)} T_a^{b*}. \quad (18)$$

The transformation of the metric h_{ab} by (16) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \delta h_{ab} &= \langle \delta\phi_a | \phi_b \rangle + \langle \phi_a | \delta\phi_b \rangle \\ &= T_a^{a'} h_{a'b} + (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}+\underline{b}')} T_b^{b'} h_{ab'}. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Similarly, from (6), one obtains

$$\delta f_{ab}^c = T_a^{a'} f_{a'b}^c + (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}+\underline{b}')} T_b^{b'} f_{ab'}^c - (-1)^{(\underline{c}+\underline{c}')(\underline{a}+\underline{b}+\underline{c}')} T_c^{c'} f_{ab}^{c'}. \quad (20)$$

Then, from (14), (19) and (20), one obtains

$$\delta M_{abc} = T_a^{a'} M_{a'bc} + (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}+\underline{b}')} T_b^{b'} M_{ab'c} + (-1)^{(\underline{a}+\underline{b})(\underline{c}+\underline{c}')} T_c^{c'} M_{abc'}. \quad (21)$$

To construct actions of the tensor models, it is necessary to consider the inverse of the metric h_{ab} . It is defined by

$$h^{ac} h_{cb} = h_{ac} h^{cb} = \delta_{ab}^K, \quad (22)$$

where δ_{ab}^K denotes the Kronecker delta. The unique existence of the inverse under a certain condition is proven in [44]. The consistency of the grade in (22) requires

$$\underline{h}^{ab} = \underline{a} + \underline{b} \pmod{2}. \quad (23)$$

The h^{ab} can be shown to have the properties,

$$\begin{aligned} h^{ab*} &= h^{ba}, \\ h^{ab} &= (-1)^{\underline{a}+\underline{b}+\underline{a}\underline{b}} h^{ba}. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

The former equation can be obtained by taking the complex conjugate of (22) and using (12), while the latter one can be obtained by exchanging the order of h^{ab} and h_{ab} in (22) as

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{ab}^K &= h^{ac} h_{cb} \\ &= (-1)^{\underline{a}+\underline{c}+\underline{a}\underline{c}} h_{bc} h^{ac}, \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

where (10), (12), (22) and (23) are used, and comparing it with (22). Finally the transformation of h^{ab} by (16) is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\delta h^{ab} &= -h^{aa'} \delta h_{a'b'} h^{b'b} \\ &= -(-1)^{\underline{a}+\underline{a}'} T_{a'}^a h^{a'b} - (-1)^{(\underline{b}+\underline{b}')(\underline{a}+\underline{a}')} T_{b'}^b h^{ab'}.\end{aligned}\tag{26}$$

4 Metric conserving super n-ary transformations

Let me consider the following sum of products of n functions given by

$$(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n \equiv (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}_p+\underline{b}_{p+1}+\dots+\underline{b}_{n-1})} \epsilon^{b_1 b_2 \dots b_{n-1}} \phi_{b_1} \phi_{b_2} \dots \phi_{b_{p-1}} \phi_a \phi_{b_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}},\tag{27}$$

where b_i 's are summed over, and $\epsilon^{b_1 b_2 \dots b_{n-1}}$ are supernumbers with grades,

$$\overline{\epsilon^{b_1 b_2 \dots b_{n-1}}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \underline{b}_i \pmod{2}.\tag{28}$$

The equation (27) can be regarded as a definition of the infinitesimal linear transformation which transforms the basis functions ϕ_a by (27). The reason for the introduction of $\epsilon^{b_1 b_2 \dots b_{n-1}}$ into (27) is to cancel the grades of ϕ_{b_i} so that (27) becomes consistent as an infinitesimal transformation of the basis functions. The right-hand side of (27) is not well defined, because the order of the products must explicitly be shown by parentheses to take care of the possible lack of the associativity of the algebra. So the symbol s in (27) is supposed to express the order implicitly. The sign factor in (27) is necessary for the existence of a transpose linear transformation, which will be defined below. Here all the \underline{a} dependence of the sign factor is assumed to be exhausted by this expression. The other possible sign factors dependent only on \underline{b}_i 's are supposed to be included in $\epsilon^{b_1 b_2 \dots b_{n-1}}$.

A linear transformation $\overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n}$ transpose to $(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n$ is defined by

$$\left\langle \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n} \middle| \phi_b \right\rangle = \langle \phi_a | (\epsilon, s; \phi_b)_n \rangle.\tag{29}$$

The transpose linear transformation can be obtained by transferring ϕ_{b_i} 's in the ket of the right-hand side of (29) to the bra by using the cyclicity condition (13) of the algebra. In the transfer, some sign factors are created, but the sign factor in (27) cancel exactly the sign factors unfavorable for the transpose to exist. This can be seen in an example below.

Since the bra and ket in (29) can be exchanged due to (12), transposition of transposition is identity,

$$\overline{\overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n}} = (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n,\tag{30}$$

Let me next define

$$(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_{n-} \equiv (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n - \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n}. \quad (31)$$

From (30), one can easily show that this is a metric conserving infinitesimal transformation,

$$\langle (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_{n-} | \phi_b \rangle = -\langle \phi_a | (\epsilon, s; \phi_b)_{n-} \rangle. \quad (32)$$

A transformation of basis functions must respect the reality condition (5). Therefore one should rather consider

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{\epsilon, s} \phi_a &\equiv (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_{n-} + (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_{n-}^* \\ &= (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n - \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n} + (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n^* - \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n^*}. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

The transposition and the complex conjugation commute with each other,

$$\overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n^*} = \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n}. \quad (34)$$

This can easily be shown by taking the complex conjugation of (29) after replacing $(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n \rightarrow \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n}$. Therefore (33) has indeed the metric conserving form,

$$\delta_{\epsilon, s} \phi_a = (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n - \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n} + (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n^* - \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n^*}, \quad (35)$$

Thus (33) or (35) gives the super extension of the metric conserving infinitesimal n-ary transformation discussed previously for the bosonic case in [28, 37].

It would be instructive to see some simple examples. Let me first consider product of two functions,

$$(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_2 \equiv \epsilon^b \phi_b \phi_a. \quad (36)$$

By using the cyclicity condition (13) and (11), one finds

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi_a | (\epsilon, s; \phi_c)_2 \rangle &= \langle \phi_a | \epsilon^b \phi_b \phi_c \rangle \\ &= (-1)^{a b} \langle \epsilon^b \phi_a \phi_b | \phi_c \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Therefore the transpose is given by

$$\overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_2} = (-1)^{a b} \epsilon^b \phi_a \phi_b. \quad (38)$$

Then, from (4), one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_2^* &= (-1)^{b+a b} \epsilon^{b*} \phi_a \phi_b, \\ \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_2^*} &= (-1)^b \epsilon^{b*} \phi_b \phi_a. \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

Thus, from (33), the metric conserving infinitesimal linear transformation of the basis functions is obtained as

$$\delta_{\epsilon, s} \phi_a = (\epsilon^b - (-1)^b \epsilon^{b*}) \{[\phi_b, \phi_a]\}, \quad (40)$$

where $\{[,]\}$ is the supercommutator,

$$\{[\phi_a, \phi_b]\} \equiv \phi_a \phi_b - (-1)^{\underline{a}\underline{b}} \phi_b \phi_a. \quad (41)$$

As another example, let me consider the following product of three functions,

$$(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_3 \equiv (-1)^{\underline{a}\underline{b_2}} \epsilon^{b_1 b_2} (\phi_{b_1} \phi_a) \phi_{b_2}, \quad (42)$$

where the sign factor follows (27). Here the order of product is explicitly indicated by the parentheses. Transfer of ϕ_{b_i} by using the cyclicity condition (13) leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi_a | (\epsilon, s; \phi_c)_3 \rangle &= \langle \phi_a | (-1)^{\underline{c}\underline{b_2}} \epsilon^{b_1 b_2} (\phi_{b_1} \phi_c) \phi_{b_2} \rangle \\ &= (-1)^{\underline{c}\underline{b_2} + (\underline{b_1} + \underline{b_2})\underline{a} + \underline{b_2}(\underline{a} + \underline{b_1} + \underline{c})} \epsilon^{b_1 b_2} \langle (\phi_{b_2} \phi_a) \phi_{b_1} | \phi_c \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

Note that, in the last line, the dependence on \underline{c} of the sign factor cancels out. Therefore one can consistently obtain the transpose linear transformation as

$$\overline{(\epsilon, s_3; \phi_a)_3} = (-1)^{\underline{a}\underline{b_1} + \underline{b_1}\underline{b_2}} \epsilon^{b_1 b_2} (\phi_{b_2} \phi_a) \phi_{b_1}. \quad (44)$$

If the sign factor in (42) has not been in this form, the dependence on \underline{c} would have remained and the transpose linear transformation could not have been obtained consistently. From this simple example, it is clear that the sign factor needed for the general case is given by the form in (27).

Another comment on the sign factor is about the linearity of the transformation (27). The \underline{a} in the sign factor of (27) should denote the grade of the whole expression of the last entry of the left-hand side of (27). With this convention, for example, when the last entry is multiplied by a supernumber ξ , the following simple linear property holds,

$$\begin{aligned} (\epsilon, s; \xi \phi_a)_n &= (-1)^{(\underline{a} + \underline{\xi})(\underline{b_p} + \underline{b_{p+1}} + \dots + \underline{b_{n-1}})} \epsilon^{b_1 b_2 \dots b_{n-1}} \phi_{b_1} \phi_{b_2} \dots \phi_{b_{p-1}} \xi \phi_a \phi_{b_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} \\ &= (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b_p} + \underline{b_{p+1}} + \dots + \underline{b_{n-1}})} \xi \epsilon^{b_1 b_2 \dots b_{n-1}} \phi_{b_1} \phi_{b_2} \dots \phi_{b_{p-1}} \phi_a \phi_{b_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} \\ &= \xi (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n. \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

This convention for the sign factor should also be applied when the last entry is a product of functions ϕ_a .

In relation to the above linearity, it is more appropriate to rewrite (33) or (35) in the form,

$$\delta_{\epsilon, s} \phi_a = (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n - (\bar{\epsilon}, \bar{s}; \phi_a)_n + (\epsilon^*, s^*; \phi_a)_n - (\bar{\epsilon}^*, \bar{s}^*; \phi_a)_n, \quad (46)$$

where $\bar{\epsilon}, \bar{s}, \epsilon^*, s^*$ are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} (\bar{\epsilon}, \bar{s}; \phi_a)_n &= \overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n}, \\ (\epsilon^*, s^*; \phi_a)_n &= (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n^*. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

The consistency of the definition (47) comes from the fact that $\overline{(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n}$ and $(\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n^*$ have also the form of (27) with appropriate replacement of ϵ and s . The $\delta_{\epsilon, s} \phi_a$ in the form (46) respects the linearity,

$$\delta_{\epsilon, s}(\xi \phi_a) = \xi \delta_{\epsilon, s} \phi_a, \quad (48)$$

while the form (33) or (35) does not.

5 Invariance of algebra, Leibnitz rule, and closed n-ary Lie algebra

Let me consider an infinitesimal linear transformation which is given by a finite sum of n-ary transformations,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_L \phi_a &= \sum_{n \leq n_{max}} \sum_{\epsilon, s} (\epsilon, s; \phi_a)_n \\ &= L_a^{a'} \phi_{a'}, \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

where $L_a^{a'}$ are supernumbers. From (49), the grade of $L_a^{a'}$ is given by

$$\underline{L_a^{a'}} = \underline{a} + \underline{a'}. \quad (50)$$

The form in (49) contains the metric conserving real transformations (46) as special cases, but more general cases are allowed in the following discussions.

Now let me assume that $L_a^{a'}$ satisfies

$$L_a^{a'} f_{a'b}^c + (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}+\underline{b'})} L_b^{b'} f_{ab'}^c - (-1)^{(\underline{c}+\underline{c'})(\underline{a}+\underline{b}+\underline{c'})} L_{c'}^{c'} f_{ab}^{c'} = 0, \quad (51)$$

which is nothing but the condition that the algebra (6) is invariant under the infinitesimal transformation (49) (See (20)). Then it is straightforward to show that the transformation (49) satisfies the Leibnitz rule,

$$\delta_L(\phi_a \phi_b) = \delta_L(\phi_a) \phi_b + \phi_a \delta_L(\phi_b). \quad (52)$$

In the proof, it is essentially important to take the convention of the sign factor taken for example in (45) to guarantee the linearity. By iteratively applying (52), it is obvious that the Leibnitz rule holds for any product of superfunctions.

Let me apply δ_L to an arbitrary n-ary transformation (27). Then one obtains the so called

fundamental identity,

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_L (\epsilon, s, \phi_a)_n &= \delta_L \left((-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}_p + \underline{b}_{p+1} + \dots + \underline{b}_{n-1})} \epsilon^{b_1 b_2 \dots b_{n-1}} \phi_{b_1} \phi_{b_2} \dots \phi_{b_{p-1}} \phi_a \phi_{b_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} \right) \\
&= (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}_p + \dots + \underline{b}_{n-1})} \epsilon^{b_1 \dots b_{n-1}} \left(\delta_L(\phi_{b_1}) \phi_{b_2} \dots \phi_{b_{p-1}} \phi_a \phi_{b_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \phi_{b_1} \delta_L(\phi_{b_2}) \dots \phi_{b_{p-1}} \phi_a \phi_{b_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} + \dots \right) \\
&= (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}_p + \dots + \underline{b}_{n-1})} \epsilon^{b_1 \dots b_{n-1}} \left(L_{b_1}^{b'_1} \phi_{b'_1} \phi_{b_2} \dots \phi_{b_{p-1}} \phi_a \phi_{b_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \phi_{b_1} L_{b_2}^{b'_2} \phi_{b'_2} \dots \phi_a \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} + \dots + \phi_{b_1} \dots \delta_L(\phi_a) \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \phi_{b_1} \dots \phi_a L_{b_p}^{b'_p} \phi_{b'_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} + \dots \right) \\
&= (-1)^{\underline{a}(\underline{b}_p + \dots + \underline{b}_{n-1})} \epsilon^{b_1 \dots b_{n-1}} \left(L_{b_1}^{b'_1} \phi_{b'_1} \phi_{b_2} \dots \phi_{b_{p-1}} \phi_a \phi_{b_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (-1)^{\underline{b}_1(\underline{b}_2 + \underline{b}'_2)} L_{b_2}^{b'_2} \phi_{b_1} \phi_{b'_2} \dots \phi_a \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} + \dots + \phi_{b_1} \dots \delta_L(\phi_a) \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (-1)^{(\underline{b}_1 + \dots + \underline{b}_{p-1} + \underline{a})(\underline{b}_p + \underline{b}'_p)} L_{b_p}^{b'_p} \phi_{b_1} \dots \phi_a \phi_{b'_p} \dots \phi_{b_{n-1}} + \dots \right) \\
&= (\epsilon, s; \delta_L(\phi_a))_n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (\epsilon_{L_i}, s; \phi_a)_n,
\end{aligned} \tag{53}$$

where

$$\epsilon_{L_i}^{b_1 b_2 \dots b_{n-1}} = (-1)^{(\underline{b}_1 + \underline{b}_2 + \dots + \underline{b}_{i-1})(\underline{b}_i + \underline{b}'_i)} \epsilon^{b_1 b_2 \dots b'_i \dots b_{n-1}} L_{b'_i}^{b_i}. \tag{54}$$

Let me consider δ_{L_1} and δ_{L_2} which have the form (49) and satisfy the algebra conserving condition (51). Since it can be shown that the infinitesimal transformations satisfying (51) form a Lie algebra, the commutator $[\delta_{L_1}, \delta_{L_2}]$ conserves the algebra. In addition, from (53), one obtains

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_{[L_1, L_2]} \phi_a &= \delta_{L_1} (\delta_{L_2} \phi_a) - \delta_{L_2} (\delta_{L_1} \phi_a) \\
&= \sum_{n \leq n_{max}} \sum_{\epsilon', s} (\epsilon', s; \phi_a)_n,
\end{aligned} \tag{55}$$

where ϵ' are computed in the same manner as in (54). Thus, the infinitesimal transformations which have the form (49) and conserve the algebra of a super fuzzy space will form a closed finite n-ary super Lie algebra.

6 Actions of super tensor models

The correspondence between the tensor models and the fuzzy spaces is assumed to be given by (14). While the tensor models have the dynamical degrees of freedom M_{abc} , the fuzzy spaces have more degrees of freedom f_{ab}^c and h_{ab} . To balance these degrees of freedom, h_{ab} are gauge fixed to constant values in [28, 37] by using the transformations of the basis functions.

Assuming the same procedure for the super tensor models, an action of a super rank-three tensor model is given by a quantity which depends on h^{ab} and M_{abc} and is invariant under (21) and (26). Here h^{ab} should be assumed to be non-dynamical, and hence the symmetry of the super tensor models is given by the metric conserving super n-ary transformations discussed in Section 4.

Because of the sign factors, the construction of such an action invariant under (21) and (26) directly from h_{ab} and M_{abc} becomes rather complicated in general. This becomes much easier by using the algebraic construction discussed in [28]. Let me first consider

$$\phi_a h^{ab} \phi_b. \quad (56)$$

This is invariant under (16), because

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(\phi_a h^{ab} \phi_b) &= (\delta\phi_a) h^{ab} \phi_b + \phi_a (\delta h^{ab}) \phi_b + \phi_a h^{ab} (\delta\phi_b) \\ &= T_a^{a'} \phi_{a'} h^{ab} \phi_b + \phi_a \left(-(-1)^{a+a'} T_a^{a'} h^{a'b} - (-1)^{(b+b')(a+b')} T_b^{b'} h^{ab'} \right) \phi_b + \phi_a h^{ab} T_b^{b'} \phi_{b'} \\ &= 0, \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

where (26) is used. From

$$\xi_1 \phi_a h^{ab} \phi_b \xi_2 = (-1)^{a\xi_1 + b\xi_2} \phi_a \xi_1 h^{ab} \xi_2 \phi_b, \quad (58)$$

where ξ_i 's are supernumbers, it is clear that the invariance will be kept by a sign factor which is needed to rearrange a given order of an expression to the canonical order of (56), when there are some insertions of supernumbers. In other words, the sign factor cancels exactly the unfavorable sign factors which are created when T_a^b are reordered in the proof of invariance under (21) and (26). Since T_a^b are supernumbers, the insertions can be some functions ϕ_a 's, provided that their indices are properly contracted by h^{ab} . In this way, one can easily construct various invariants, such as

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle \phi_a h^{ab} | \phi_b \rangle, \\ &(-1)^{b\varepsilon} \langle \phi_a h^{ab} \phi_c | \phi_b h^{cd} \phi_d \rangle, \\ &(-1)^{a+b+b\varepsilon+c+a} \langle (\phi_a \phi_b) \phi_c | h^{aa'} \phi_{a'} h^{bb'} (\phi_{b'} h^{cc'} \phi_{c'}) \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

In fact, the above simple expressions may become quite complicated, if they are written in terms of M_{abc} . For example, the second one can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} (-1)^{b\varepsilon} \langle \phi_a h^{ab} \phi_c | \phi_b h^{cd} \phi_d \rangle &= (-1)^{b\varepsilon+a(a+b)+(a+b+\varepsilon)(\varepsilon+d)} h^{ab} h^{cd} \langle \phi_a \phi_c | \phi_b \phi_d \rangle \\ &= (-1)^{b\varepsilon+a(a+b)+(a+b+\varepsilon)(\varepsilon+d)} h^{ab} h^{cd} \langle f_{ac}^e \phi_e | f_{bd}^f \phi_f \rangle \\ &= (-1)^{b\varepsilon+a(a+b)+(a+b+\varepsilon)(\varepsilon+d)+\varepsilon(b+d+f)} h^{ab} h^{cd} f_{ac}^e f_{bd}^f h_{ef} \\ &= (-1)^{b\varepsilon+a(a+b)+(a+b+\varepsilon)(\varepsilon+d)+\varepsilon(b+d)} h^{ab} h^{cd} M_{acf} h^{fe} M_{bde}. \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$

Thus the algebraic description of actions like (59) is generally much simpler than the expressions directly in terms of the dynamical variable M_{abc} . This is an advantage of the algebraic description of the super tensor models.

7 Summary and future prospects

In this paper, a general framework for the super rank-three tensor models and the correspondence to the super fuzzy spaces has been presented. As in the bosonic case, the algebras of functions on super fuzzy spaces must satisfy the cyclicity condition, which corresponds to the generalized hermiticity condition of the super tensor models. This cyclic property enables the systematic construction of the metric conserving super n-ary transformations on a super fuzzy space, which are also the symmetry transformations of the super rank-three tensor models. In the bosonic case, such metric conserving transformations constitute the unitary transformations of a fuzzy space containing the transformations which correspond to the diffeomorphism on a usual space [23]. This would suggest that the super n-ary transformations contain local supersymmetries, which are the gauge symmetries of supergravities. Thus it would be interesting to study the physical roles of the super n-ary transformations by considering some examples of supersymmetric fuzzy spaces in the framework of this paper.

In Section 5, it has been shown that the n-ary transformations of finite orders which conserve the algebra of a fuzzy space will form a closed finite super Lie algebra. Such finite n-algebraic relations will provide characterizations of some symmetric super fuzzy spaces as in [36]. It would be interesting to consider some examples in the framework of this paper.

A method of systematic constructions of the actions of the super rank-three tensor models has been given. In the actions, there are sign factors, which are necessary for the invariance under the super transformations. The sign factors raise the question of stability of the super tensor models. But this does not necessarily reduce the physical interests of the models. In fact, in the matrix models, local minima of potentials are enough to obtain physical outcomes in scaling limits. One may expect that similar arguments may take care of the situations of the super tensor models, and may also expect that supersymmetries can stabilize local minima physically enough. Then the real challenge would be to find local minima corresponding to supersymmetric fuzzy spaces. In view of the fact that general relativity is emergent on fuzzy spaces in the bosonic case [20]-[25], it would be highly interesting to study the emergent field theories on such supersymmetric fuzzy spaces. One may hopefully find emergent supergravities.

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