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**Examples**

```
x <- rweyl(d=1)
y <- rweyl(d=1)
z <- rweyl(d=1)

is.zero(x*(y*z) - (x*y)*z) # should be TRUE
```

coeffs

*Manipulate the coefficients of a weyl object***Description**

Manipulate the coefficients of a weyl object. The coefficients are `disord` objects.

**Usage**

```
coeffs(S) <- value
```

**Arguments**

S	A weyl object
value	Numeric

**Details**

To access coefficients of a weyl object `S`, use `spray::coeffs(S)` [package idiom is `coeffs(S)`]. Similarly to access the index matrix use `index(s)`.

The replacement method is package-specific; use `coeffs(S) <-value`.

**Value**

Extraction methods return a `disord` object (possibly dropped); replacement methods return a weyl object.

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
(a <- rweyl(9))
coeffs(a)
coeffs(a)[coeffs(a)<3] <- 100
a
```

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constant

*The constant term*

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**Description**

The *constant* of a `weyl` object is the coefficient of the term with all zeros.

**Usage**

```
constant(x, drop = TRUE)
constant(x) <- value
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	Object of class <code>weyl</code>
<code>drop</code>	Boolean with default <code>TRUE</code> meaning to return the value of the coefficient, and <code>FALSE</code> meaning to return the corresponding Weyl object
<code>value</code>	Constant value to replace existing one

**Value**

Returns a numeric or `weyl` object

**Note**

The `constant.weyl()` function is somewhat awkward because it has to deal with the difficult case where the constant is zero and `drop=FALSE`.

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
(a <- rweyl()+700)
constant(a)
constant(a, drop=FALSE)

constant(a) <- 0
constant(a)
constant(a, drop=FALSE)

constant(a+66) == constant(a) + 66
```

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 degree

*The degree of a weyl object*


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**Description**

The *degree* of a monomial weyl object  $x^a \partial^b$  is defined as  $a + b$ . The degree of a general weyl object expressed as a linear combination of monomials is the maximum of the degrees of these monomials. Following Coutinho we have:

- $\deg(d_1 + d_2) \leq \max(\deg(d_1) + \deg(d_2))$
- $\deg(d_1 d_2) = \deg(d_1) + \deg(d_2)$
- $\deg(d_1 d_2 - d_2 d_1) \leq \deg(d_1) + \deg(d_2) - 2$

**Usage**
`deg(S)`
**Arguments**

`S`                      Object of class `weyl`

**Value**

Nonnegative integer (or  $-\infty$  for the zero Weyl object)

**Note**

The degree of the zero object is conventionally  $-\infty$ .

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
(a <- rweyl())
deg(a)

d1 <- rweyl(n=2)
d2 <- rweyl(n=2)

deg(d1+d2) <= deg(d1) + deg(d2)
deg(d1*d2) == deg(d1) + deg(d2)
deg(d1*d2-d2*d1) <= deg(d1) + deg(d2) -2
```

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 derivation

*Derivations*


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### Description

A *derivation*  $D$  of an algebra  $A$  is a linear operator that satisfies  $D(d_1d_2) = d_1D(d_2) + D(d_1)d_2$ , for every  $d_1, d_2 \in A$ . If a derivation is of the form  $D(d) = [d, f] = df - fd$  for some fixed  $f \in A$ , we say that  $D$  is an *inner* derivation.

Function `as.der()` returns a derivation with `as.der(f)(g)=fg-gf`.

### Usage

```
as.der(S)
```

### Arguments

S                      Weyl object

### Value

Returns a function, a derivation

### Author(s)

Robin K. S. Hankin

### Examples

```
(o <- rweyl(n=2,d=2))
(f <- as.der(o))

d1 <-rweyl(n=1,d=2)
d2 <-rweyl(n=2,d=2)

f(d1*d2) == d1*f(d2) + f(d1)*d2 # should be TRUE
```

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 dim

*The dimension of a weyl object*


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### Description

The *dimension* of a weyl algebra is the number of variables needed; it is half the `spray::arity()`. The *dimension* of a Weyl algebra generated by  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \partial_{x_1}, \partial_{x_2}, \dots, \partial_{x_n}\}$  is  $n$  (not  $2n$ ).

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'weyl'
dim(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    Object of class weyl

**Value**

Integer

**Note**

Empty spray objects give zero-dimensional weyl objects.

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
(a <- rweyl())
dim(a)
```

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dot-class

*Class "dot"*

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**Description**

The dot object is defined so that idiom like `.[x,y]` returns the commutator, that is,  $xy-yx$ .

The dot object is generated by running script `inst/dot.Rmd`, which includes some further discussion and technical documentation, and creates file `dot.rda` which resides in the `data/` directory.

**Arguments**

x                    Object of any class  
 i, j                elements to commute  
 ...                Further arguments to `dot_error()`, currently ignored

**Value**

Always returns an object of the same class as `xy`.

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
x <- rweyl(n=1,d=2)
y <- rweyl(n=1,d=2)
z <- rweyl(n=1,d=2)

.[x,.[y,z]] + .[y,.[z,x]] + .[z,.[x,y]] # Jacobi identity
```

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drop	<i>Drop redundant information</i>
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**Description**

Coerce constant weyl objects to numeric

**Usage**

```
drop(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                      Weyl object

**Details**

If its argument is a constant weyl object, coerce to numeric.

**Value**

Returns either a length-one numeric vector or its argument, a weyl object

**Note**

Many functions in the package take drop as an argument which, if TRUE, means that the function returns a dropped value.

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
a <- rweyl() + 67
drop(a)

drop(idweyl(9))

drop(constant(a, drop=FALSE))
```



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grade *The grade of a weyl object*

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### Description

The *grade* of a homogeneous term of a Weyl algebra is the sum of the powers. Thus the grade of  $4xy^2\partial_x^3\partial_y^4$  is  $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = 10$ .

The functionality documented here closely follows the equivalent in the **clifford** package.

Coutinho calls this the *symbol map*.

### Usage

```
grade(C, n, drop=TRUE)
grade(C,n) <- value
grades(x)
```

### Arguments

C, x	Weyl object
n	Integer vector specifying grades to extract
value	Replacement value, a numeric vector
drop	Boolean, with default TRUE meaning to coerce a constant operator to numeric, and FALSE meaning not to

### Details

Function `grades()` returns an (unordered) vector specifying the grades of the constituent terms. Function `grades<-()` allows idiom such as `grade(x, 1:2) <- 7` to operate as expected [here to set all coefficients of terms with grades 1 or 2 to value 7].

Function `grade(C, n)` returns a Weyl object with just the elements of grade  $g$ , where  $g \%in\% n$ .

The zero grade term, `grade(C, 0)`, is given more naturally by `constant(C)`.

### Value

Integer vector or weyl object

### Author(s)

Robin K. S. Hankin

### Examples

```
a <- rweyl(30)

grades(a)
grade(a, 1:4)
grade(a, 5:9) <- -99
a
```

identity

*The identity operator*

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**Description**

The identity operator maps any function to itself.

**Usage**

```
idweyl(d)
## S3 method for class 'weyl'
as.id(S)
is.id(S)
```

**Arguments**

d	Integer specifying dimensionality of the weyl object (twice the spray arity)
S	A weyl object

**Value**

A weyl object corresponding to the identity operator

**Note**

The identity function cannot be called “id()” because then R would not know whether to create a spray or a weyl object.

**Examples**

```
idweyl(7)

a <- rweyl(d=5)
a
is.id(a)
is.id(1+a-a)
as.id(a)

a == a*1
a == a*as.id(a)
```

## Description

Allows arithmetic operators to be used for spray calculations, such as addition, multiplication, division, integer powers, etc.

Idiom such as  $x^2 + y*z/5$  should work as expected. Operations are the same as those of the **spray** package except for  $*$ , which is interpreted as functional composition. A number of helper functions are documented here (which are not designed for the end-user).

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'weyl'
Ops(e1, e2 = NULL)
weyl_prod_helper1(a,b,c,d)
weyl_prod_helper2(a,b,c,d)
weyl_prod_helper3(a,b,c,d)
weyl_prod_univariate_onerow(S1,S2,func)
weyl_prod_univariate_nrow(S1,S2)
weyl_prod_multivariate_onerow_singlecolumn(S1,S2,column)
weyl_prod_multivariate_onerow_allcolumns(S1,S2)
weyl_prod_multivariate_nrow_allcolumns(S1,S2)
weyl_power_scalar(S,n)
```

## Arguments

$S, S1, S2, e1, e2$	Objects of class <code>weyl</code> , elements of a Weyl algebra
$a, b, c, d$	Integers, see details
<code>column</code>	column to be multiplied
$n$	Integer power (non-negative)
<code>func</code>	Function used for products

## Details

All arithmetic is as for spray objects, apart from  $*$  and  $^$ . Here,  $*$  is interpreted as operator concatenation: Thus, if  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  are Weyl objects, then  $w_1 w_2$  is defined as the operator that takes  $f$  to  $w_1(w_2 f)$ .

Functions such as `weyl_prod_multivariate_nrow_allcolumns()` are low-level helper functions with self-explanatory names. In this context, “univariate” means the first Weyl algebra, generated by  $\{x, \partial\}$ , subject to  $x\partial - \partial x = 1$ ; and “multivariate” means the algebra generated by  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \partial_{x_1}, \partial_{x_2}, \dots, \partial_{x_n}\}$ .

The product is somewhat user-customisable via option `prodfunc`, which affects function `weyl_prod_univariate_onerow`. Currently the package offers three examples: `weyl_prod_helper1()`, `weyl_prod_helper2()`, and `weyl_prod_helper3()`. These are algebraically identical but occupy different positions on the efficiency-readability scale. The option defaults to `weyl_prod_helper3()`, which is the fastest but most opaque. The vignette provides further details, motivation, and examples.

**Value**

Generally, return a weyl object

**Note**

Function `weyl_prod_univariate_nrow()` is present for completeness, it is not used in the package

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
x <- rweyl(n=1, d=2)
y <- rweyl(n=1, d=2)
z <- rweyl(n=2, d=2)

x*(y+z) == x*y + x*z
is.zero(x*(y*z) - (x*y)*z)
```

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```
print.weyl
```

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*Print methods for weyl objects*

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**Description**

Printing methods for weyl objects follow those for the **spray** package, with some additional functionality.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'weyl'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A weyl object
<code>...</code>	Further arguments, currently ignored

**Details**

Option `polyform` determines whether the object is to be printed in matrix form or polynomial form: as in the **spray** package, this option governs dispatch to either `print_spray_polyform()` or `print_spray_matrixform()`.

```
> a <- rweyl()
> a # default print method
A member of the Weyl algebra:
  x y z dx dy dz val
  1 2 2 2 1 0 = 3
  2 2 0 0 1 1 = 2
```

```

  0 0 0 1 1 2 = 1
> options(polyform = TRUE)
> a
A member of the Weyl algebra:
+3*x*y^2*z^2*dx^2*dy +2*x^2*y^2*dy*dz +dx*dy*dz^2
> options(polyform = FALSE) # restore default

```

Irrespective of the value of `polyform`, option `weylvars` controls the variable names. If `NULL` (the default), then sensible values are used: either `[xyz]` if the dimension is three or less, or integers. But option `weylvars` is user-settable:

```

> options(weylvars=letters[18:20])
> a
A member of the Weyl algebra:
  r  s  t dr ds dt   val
  1  2  2  2  1  0 =   3
  2  2  0  0  1  1 =   2
  0  0  0  1  1  2 =   1
> options(polyform=TRUE)
> a
A member of the Weyl algebra:
+3*r*s^2*t^2*dr^2*ds +2*r^2*s^2*ds*dt +dr*ds*dt^2
> options(polyform=FALSE) ; options(weylvars=NULL)

```

If the user sets `weylvars`, the `print` method tries to do the Right Thing (tm). If set to `c("a", "b", "c")`, for example, the generators are named `c(" a", " b", " c", "da", "db", "dc")` [note the spaces]. If the algebra is univariate, the names will be something like `d` and `x`. No checking is performed and if the length is not equal to the dimension, undesirable behaviour may occur. For the love of God, do not use a variable named `d`. Internally, `weylvars` works by changing the `sprayvars` option in the **spray** package.

Note that, as for `spray` objects, this option has no algebraic significance: it only affects the `print` method.

## Value

Returns a `weyl` object.

## Author(s)

Robin K. S. Hankin

## Examples

```

a <- rweyl()
print(a)
options(polyform=TRUE)
print(a)

```

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rweyl	<i>Random weyl objects</i>
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**Description**

Creates random weyl objects: quick-and-dirty examples of Weyl algebra elements

**Usage**

```
rweyl(nterms = 3, vals = seq_len(nterms), dim = 3, powers = 0:2)
```

**Arguments**

nterms	Number of terms in output
vals	Values of coefficients
dim	Dimension of weyl object
powers	Set from which to sample the entries of the index matrix

**Value**

Returns a weyl object

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
rweyl()
rweyl(d=7)
```

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spray	<i>Create spray objects</i>
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**Description**

Function `spray()` creates a sparse array; function `weyl()` coerces a spray object to a Weyl object.

**Usage**

```
spray(M, x, addrepeats=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

M	An integer-valued matrix, the index of the weyl object
x	Numeric vector of coefficients
addrepeats	Boolean, specifying whether repeated rows are to be added

**Details**

The function is discussed and motivated in the **spray** package.

**Value**

Return a weyl or a Boolean

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
(W <- spray(matrix(1:36,6,6),1:6))
weyl(W)

as.weyl(15,d=3)
```

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weyl

*The algebra and weyl objects*

---

**Description**

Basic functions for weyl objects

**Usage**

```
weyl(M)
is.weyl(M)
as.weyl(val,d)
is.ok.weyl(M)
```

**Arguments**

M	A weyl or spray object
val,d	Value and dimension for weyl object

**Details**

Function `weyl()` is the formal creator method; `is.weyl()` tests for weyl objects and `is.ok.weyl()` checks for well-formed sprays. Function `as.weyl()` tries (but not very hard) to infer what the user intended and return the right thing.

To create a spray object to pass to `weyl()`, use function `spray()`, which is a synonym for `spray::spray()`.

**Value**

Return a weyl or a Boolean

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
(W <- spray(matrix(1:36,6,6),1:6))
weyl(W)

as.weyl(15,d=3)
```

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```
weyl-class          Class "weyl"
```

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**Description**

The formal S4 class for weyls.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects *can* be created by calls of the form `new("weyl", ...)` but this is not encouraged. Use functions `weyl()` or `as.weyl()` instead.

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

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```
x_and_d            Generating elements for the first Weyl algebra
```

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**Description**

Variables `x` and `d` correspond to operator  $x$  and  $\partial_x$ ; they are provided for convenience. These elements generate the one-dimensional Weyl algebra.

Note that a similar system for multivariate Weyl algebras is not desirable. We might want to consider the Weyl algebra generated by  $\{x, y, z, \partial_x, \partial_y, \partial_z\}$  and correspondingly define  $\mathbb{R}$  variables  $x, y, z, dx, dy, dz$ . But then variable  $x$  is ambiguous: is it a member of the first Weyl algebra or the third?

**Usage**

```
data(x_and_d)
```

**Author(s)**

Robin K. S. Hankin

**Examples**

```
d
x

.[d, x] # dx-xd==1

d^3 * x^4

(1-d*x*d)*(x^2-d^3)
```



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`zero`*The zero operator*

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**Description**

The zero operator maps any function to the zero function (which maps anything to zero). To test for being zero, use `spray::is.zero()`; package idiom would be `is.zero()`.

**Usage**

```
zero(d)
```

**Arguments**

`d` Integer specifying dimensionality of the weyl object (twice the spray arity)

**Value**

A weyl object corresponding to the zero operator (or a Boolean for `is.zero()`)

**Examples**

```
(a <- rweyl(d=5))
is.zero(a)
is.zero(a-a)
is.zero(a*0)

a == a + zero(dim(a))
```

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