1022-53-101David Eelbode\* (deef@cage.UGent.be), Mathematical Institute of Charles University,<br/>Sokolovska 83, 186 75 Praha 8, Czech Rep, and Vladimir Soucek<br/>(soucek@karlin.mff.cuni.cz), Mathematical Institute of Charles University, Sokolovska 83, 186<br/>75 Praha 8, Czech Rep. Powers of the Dirac operator on the sphere. Preliminary report.

In their paper [LR] basic function theoretical results for higher order spherical iterated Dirac operators are presented, such as fundamental solutions and integral formulae. In our talk, we will show that the operators in this paper are the conformally invariant powers of the Dirac operator on the sphere - which is not a priori clear from (ad hoc) definition in the paper.

To do so, we will speak about the ambient space construction [FG] of comformally invariant operators together with the application to the case of the sphere, see [BH], on the one hand, and the possibility to define these operators using tools from representation theory, see [BOO], on the other hand.

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