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DOUBLY SPECIAL RELATIVITY AS A NON-LOCAL QUANTUM FIELD THEORY

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1. INTRODUCTION

Quantum Gravity Theories

- Attempts of **unification**: string theory, loop quantum gravity, supergravity, causal set theory...
- In most of them a minimal length appears \implies Planck length (l_P) ??
- This is closely related to an energy scale \implies Planck energy (Λ)??
- Problem: there are **no experimental evidences** of a fundamental QGT
- Changing the notion of **spacetime**
 - $\textcircled{O} Classical spacetime \rightarrow ``quantum'' spacetime$
 - **2** Symmetries? \rightarrow LI should be broken/deformed at Planckian scales
 - **Solution** New effects \rightarrow Micro black holes creation?

1. INTRODUCTION

GR is perturbatively **non** renormalizable

	1. $f(R)$ theories introducing Ricci scalar terms in action but non renomalizable	
Quantum	2. Introducing squared Ricci and Riemann tensor terms in action but \mathcal{H} unbounded from below	
gravity < approaches	3. Non-local QFT and infinite derivative gravity	
	4. Modifying kinematics of SR by introducing Λ	- LIV: breaking Lorentz invariance
		- DSR : deformed Poincaré invariance. Also non-local

1. INTRODUCTION

Non-local QFT

- These theories are ghost free
- This possibility was considered in string and causal set theories
- When applied to gravity, singularities disappear

Doubly Special Relativity (DSR)

- Kinematics of SR are deformed by including a high-energy scale Λ
- Deformed dispersion relation

$$C(k) = k_0^2 - \vec{k}^2 + \frac{k_0^3}{\Lambda} + \dots = m^2$$

• Deformed conservation laws (composition law of momenta)

Total momentum =
$$(p \oplus q)_{\mu} = p_{\mu} + q_{\mu} + \frac{p_{\mu}q_0}{\Lambda} + \dots$$

• Dispersion relation and conservation law compatible with relativity principle \rightarrow deformed Lorentz transformations

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RELATIVE LOCALITY



Fig.: Figures designed by Dr. Flavio Mercati







2. PREVIOUS WORKS

IDEA: If a curved spacetime describes General Relativity, maybe a maximally symmetric curved momentum space represents Quantum Gravity



2. PREVIOUS WORKS

Deformed kinematics from geometric elements (tetrad, isometries, distance)

- Starting with a maximally symmetric momentum metric $g_{\mu\nu}(p)$
- Computing the **Casimir** by using

$$C(p) = f^{\mu}(p)g_{\mu\nu}(p)f^{\nu}(p), \qquad f^{\mu}(p) := \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial C(p)}{\partial p_{\mu}}$$

• Computing the **composition law** by using

$$g_{\mu\nu}\left(p\oplus q\right) = \frac{\partial\left(p\oplus q\right)_{\mu}}{\partial q_{\rho}}g_{\rho\sigma}(q)\frac{\partial\left(p\oplus q\right)_{\nu}}{\partial q_{\sigma}}$$

• The composition law defines a **tetrad**

$$e^{\mu}{}_{\nu}(p) := \left. \frac{\partial \left(p \oplus q \right)_{\nu}}{\partial q_{\mu}} \right|_{q \to 0}$$

¹J.M. Carmona, J.L. Cortés and J.J Relancio. *Phys. Rev. D* 100 (2019)

²J.J. Relancio and S. Liberati. Phys. Rev. D 101 (2020)

2. PREVIOUS WORKS

Different kinematics from the same metric

- Particular example:
 - De Sitter metric

$$g_{\mu\nu}(p) = \eta_{\mu\nu} + p_{\mu}p_{\nu}/\Lambda^2$$

Snyder kinematic's isometry generators³

$$\mathcal{T}_{S}^{\lambda} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{\bar{p}^{2}}{\Lambda^{2}}} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_{\lambda}}, \qquad \mathcal{J}^{\mu\nu} = p_{\rho} (\delta^{\nu}_{\lambda} \eta^{\mu\rho} - \delta^{\mu}_{\lambda} \eta^{\nu\rho}) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_{\lambda}}$$

satisfying

$$\begin{split} [\mathcal{T}_{S}^{\alpha},\mathcal{T}_{S}^{\beta}] &= \frac{\mathcal{J}^{\alpha\beta}}{\Lambda^{2}} \,, \qquad [\mathcal{T}_{S}^{\alpha},\mathcal{J}^{\beta\gamma}] = \eta^{\alpha\beta}\mathcal{T}_{S}^{\gamma} - \eta^{\alpha\gamma}\mathcal{T}_{S}^{\beta} \,, \\ [\mathcal{J}^{\alpha\beta},\mathcal{J}^{\gamma\delta}] &= \eta^{\beta\gamma}\mathcal{J}^{\alpha\delta} - \eta^{\alpha\gamma}\mathcal{J}^{\beta\delta} - \eta^{\beta\delta}\mathcal{J}^{\alpha\gamma} + \eta^{\alpha\delta}\mathcal{J}^{\beta\gamma} \end{split}$$

Observed composition law

$$(p \oplus q)^{S}_{\mu} = p_{\mu} \left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{q^{2}}{\Lambda^{2}}} + \frac{p_{\mu}\eta^{\mu\nu}q_{\nu}}{\Lambda^{2} \left(1 + \sqrt{1 + p^{2}/\Lambda^{2}}\right)} \right) + q_{\mu}$$

 $\textbf{ Soncommutativity of the space-time coordinates } \rightarrow [x^{\mu},x^{\nu}] = i \mathcal{J}^{\mu\nu} / \Lambda$

³M.V. Battisti and S. Meljanac. Phys. Rev. D 82 (2010)

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2 κ -Poincaré kinematic's isometry generators⁴

$$\mathcal{T}^{\mu}_{\kappa} = \mathcal{T}^{\mu}_{S} + n_{\alpha} \frac{\mathcal{J}^{\mu\alpha}}{\Lambda} \,, \qquad \mathcal{J}^{\mu\nu} = p_{\rho} (\delta^{\nu}_{\lambda} \eta^{\mu\rho} - \delta^{\mu}_{\lambda} \eta^{\nu\rho}) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_{\lambda}} \,,$$

satisfying $(n_{\mu} := (1, 0, 0, 0))$

$$\begin{split} & [\mathcal{T}^{\alpha}_{\kappa}, \mathcal{T}^{\beta}_{\kappa}] = \frac{n_{\gamma}}{\Lambda} \left(\mathcal{T}^{\alpha}_{\kappa} \eta^{\beta\gamma} - \mathcal{T}^{\beta}_{\kappa} \eta^{\alpha\gamma} \right) \,, \\ & [\mathcal{T}^{\alpha}_{S}, \mathcal{J}^{\beta\gamma}] = \eta^{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{T}^{\gamma}_{\kappa} - \eta^{\alpha\gamma} \mathcal{T}^{\beta}_{\kappa} + \frac{n_{\delta}}{\Lambda} \left(\eta^{\delta\beta} \mathcal{J}^{\alpha\gamma} - \eta^{\delta\gamma} \mathcal{J}^{\alpha\beta} \right) \\ & [\mathcal{J}^{\alpha\beta}, \mathcal{J}^{\gamma\delta}] = \eta^{\beta\gamma} \mathcal{J}^{\alpha\delta} - \eta^{\alpha\gamma} \mathcal{J}^{\beta\delta} - \eta^{\beta\delta} \mathcal{J}^{\alpha\gamma} + \eta^{\alpha\delta} \mathcal{J}^{\beta\gamma} \end{split}$$

Observed composition law

$$(p \oplus q)_{\mu}^{\kappa} = p_{\mu} \left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{q^2}{\Lambda^2}} + \frac{q_0}{\Lambda} \right) + q_{\mu} + n_{\mu} \left[\frac{\sqrt{1 + p^2/\Lambda^2} - p_0/\Lambda}{1 - \vec{p}^2/\Lambda^2} \left(q_0 + \frac{q_{\alpha} \eta^{\alpha\beta} p_{\beta}}{\Lambda} \right) - q_0 \right]$$

③ Noncommutativity of the space-time coordinates $\rightarrow [x^0, x^i] = -ix^i/\Lambda$

⁴A. Borowiec and A. Pachol. J. Phys. A 43 (2010)

Summary of previous works DSR OFT

2. PREVIOUS WORKS

Deformed relativistic wave equations in momentum space

- Klein–Gordon and Dirac equations already obtained in Hopf algebras^{5,6}
- We are able to reproduce them from a curved momentum space⁷

KG:
$$(f^{\mu}(p)g_{\mu\nu}(p)f^{\nu}(p) - m^2)\tilde{\phi}(p) = 0$$

D:
$$(\gamma^{\mu}\eta_{\mu\rho}e^{\rho}{}_{\nu}(p)f^{\nu}(p)-m)\,\tilde{\psi}(p)=0$$

being $\phi(p)$ the Fourier transform of the scalar field $\phi(x)$

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \mathrm{d}^4 p \, e^{ix^\lambda p_\lambda} \tilde{\phi}(p) \, \delta(C(p) - m^2)$$

 ⁵ J. Lukierski, A. Nowicki and H. Ruegg. *Phys. Lett. B* 293 (1992)
 ⁶ A. Nowicki, E. Sorace and M. Tarlini. *Phys. Lett. B* 302 (1993)

⁷S.A. Franchino-Viñas and J.J. Relancio. Class. Quant. Grav. 40 (2023)







3. OUR PROPOSAL FOR DSR QFT^{8,9}

- AIM: translating the aforementioned results to **position space**
- First (incorrect) attempt for scalar fields:

$$S = \int \mathrm{d}^4 x \frac{1}{2} \left\{ f^{\mu}(i\partial_x)\phi(x)g_{\mu\nu}(-i\partial_x)f^{\nu}(-i\partial_x)\phi(x) - m^2\phi^2(x) \right\}$$

- Problem: the metric becomes a differential operator
- Correct approach:

$$S = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^4 x}{2} \left\{ -\ell^{\mu}(-i\partial_x) \phi(x)\eta_{\mu\nu}\ell^{\nu}(-i\partial_x) \phi(x) - m^2 \phi^2(x) \right\}$$

where $\ell^{\mu}(-i\partial_x) = e^{\mu}{}_{\nu}(p)f^{\nu}(p) \mid_{p \to -i\partial_x}$

⁸J.J. Relancio, L. Santamaría-Sanz. Phys. Rev. D (2024) arXiv:2403.19520

⁹J.J. Relancio, L. Santamaría-Sanz. Accepted in CQG (2024) arXiv:2403.18772

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• $\eta_{\mu\nu}$ is at the base of the theory \rightarrow linear Lorentz invariance \rightarrow Restriction on bases:

$$C = C(p^2)$$

$$f^{\mu}(p) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial C(p)}{\partial p_{\mu}} = p^{\mu} \frac{\partial C}{\partial p^2} \end{cases} \implies \boxed{f^{\mu}(p) = -f^{\mu}(-p)}$$

• Variational principle to Klein-Gordon action yields

$$\left(\ell^{\mu}(i\partial_{x})\ell_{\mu}(-i\partial_{x})+m^{2}\right)\phi(x)=0$$

•
$$C(p) = m^2$$
 holds iff $\ell^{\mu}(-i\partial_x) = -\ell^{\mu}(i\partial_x) \implies e^{\mu}{}_{\nu}(-p) = e^{\mu}{}_{\nu}(p)$
• But

$$e^{\mu}{}_{\nu}(p) := \left. \frac{\partial \left(p \oplus q \right)_{\nu}}{\partial q_{\mu}} \right|_{q \to 0} \quad \to \quad \text{only Snyder kinematics are allowed}$$

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- We can replace $\ell^{\mu}(-i\partial_x) \rightarrow -i\partial^{\mu}\Omega(-\partial^{\nu}\partial_{\nu}) \equiv -i\tilde{\partial}^{\mu}$
- The action for KG fields is given by

$$S = \int d^4x \, \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \tilde{\partial}^{\mu} \phi(x) \tilde{\partial}_{\mu} \phi(x) - m^2 \phi^2(x) \right\} \qquad \text{for}$$

$$\phi(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2p_0}} \left(a_{\mathbf{p}} e^{-ix^\lambda p_\lambda} + a_{\mathbf{p}}^{\dagger} e^{ix^\lambda p_\lambda} \right)$$

• Equations of motion

$$\left(\tilde{\partial}^{\mu}\tilde{\partial}_{\mu}-m^{2}\right)\phi(x)=0$$

• The energy-momentum tensor is

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \tilde{\partial}_{\mu}\phi\tilde{\partial}_{\nu}\phi - \frac{1}{2}\eta_{\mu\nu}\left(\tilde{\partial}^{\rho}\phi\tilde{\partial}_{\rho}\phi - m^{2}\phi^{2}\right) \quad \text{with} \quad \partial^{\mu}T_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

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Important remarks

- From DSR one finds an infinite derivative (nonlocal) QFT
- Nonlocal phenomena are already present in DSR: noncommutative spacetime and relative locality
- QFT of causal set and string theories are embedded in our scheme:

$$C^{CT}(-i\partial_x) = -\Box + \frac{3}{2\pi\sqrt{6}} \frac{\Box^2}{\Lambda^2} \left[3\gamma - 2 + \ln\left(\frac{3\Box^2}{2\pi\Lambda^4}\right) \right] + \cdots$$
$$C^{ST}(-i\partial_x) = -\Box e^{\Box/\Lambda^2}$$

3. OUR PROPOSAL FOR DSR QFT

• The action for Dirac fields is given by

$$S = \int \mathrm{d}^4 x \, \bar{\psi}(x) \left(i \gamma^\mu \, \tilde{\partial}_\mu - m \right) \psi(x)$$

• Variation principle leads to equations of motion

$$\left(i\gamma^{\mu}\tilde{\partial}_{\mu}-m\right)\psi(x)=0$$

• The energy-momentum tensor is

$$T_{\mu\nu} = i\bar{\psi}(x)\gamma_{\mu}\tilde{\partial}_{\nu}\psi(x) - \eta_{\mu\nu}\bar{\psi}(x)\left(i\gamma^{\rho}\tilde{\partial}_{\rho} - m\right)\psi(x)$$

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• The deformed **EM tensor** is

$$\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} = \tilde{\partial}_{\mu}A_{\nu} - \tilde{\partial}_{\nu}A_{\mu} = \Omega(-\Box)F_{\mu\nu}$$

• The action when adding a minimal coupling to matter is

$$S_{EM} = -\int \mathrm{d}^4 x \left(\frac{1}{4}\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} + j^{\mu}A_{\mu}\right)$$

• The deformed Maxwell equations are

$$\tilde{\partial}^{\mu}\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} = j_{\nu}, \qquad \tilde{\partial}^{\mu}{}^{*}\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} = \tilde{\partial}^{\mu}\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}\tilde{F}_{\rho\sigma} = 0$$

• The electromganetic energy tensor is given by

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{4} \eta_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\rho\sigma} \tilde{F}^{\rho\sigma} + \tilde{F}_{\mu\rho} \tilde{F}^{\rho}{}_{\nu} \,.$$

Electric potential of a point particle $j^0(x) = q \,\delta^3(\vec{r}), \, j^i = 0$

$$A^{0}(r) = -\frac{q}{2\pi^{2}} \int_{0}^{\infty} \mathrm{d}k \, \frac{k^{2}}{C(-\vec{k}^{2})} \frac{\sin(kr)}{kr} \,, \qquad \vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}A^{0}(r)$$

For some metrics the electric potential becomes finite at the origin!



for the Casimirs of the AdS metrics

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{AdS}} = \eta_{\mu\nu} \left(1 \pm \frac{p^2}{4\Lambda^2} \right)^2, \qquad g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{AdS2}} = \eta_{\mu\nu} \pm \frac{p_{\mu}p_{\nu}}{\Lambda^2}$$







4. CONCLUSIONS AND FURTHER WORK

- We have made a new proposal of QFT in DSR theories based on geometry of a curved momentum space
- This proposal leads to an infinite derivative (nonlocal) QFT
- Only Snyder kinematics are allowed in this scheme
- The electric potential for a point particle and the magnetic potential of a magnetic dipole becomes finite at the origin for **AdS models**
- Future work: include interactions, gravitational field of a point-like mass

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