

Deformations of Quantum Field Theories on Spacetimes with Killing Vector Fields

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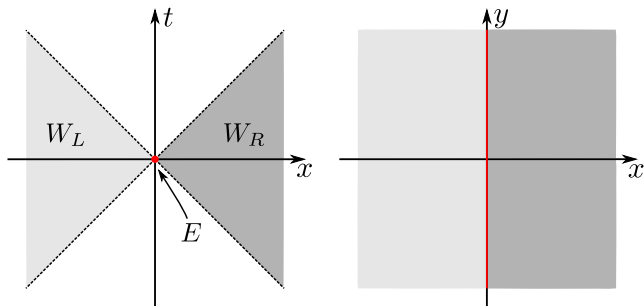
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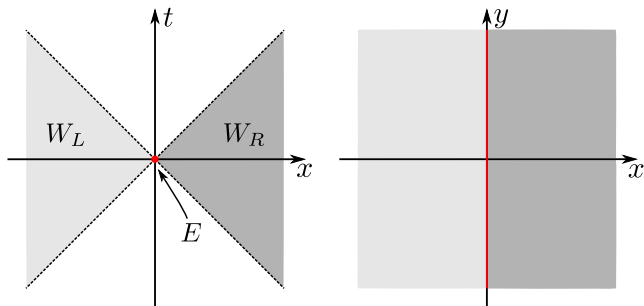
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- edge $E =$ orbit of $\{0\}$ under the flow of the Killing vector fields (∂_y, ∂_z)

$$W_R \cup W_L = E', \quad W_R \cap W_L = \emptyset, \quad W_R' = W_L$$

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- Let $\mathcal{A}(W_R)_\lambda := \{A_\lambda : A \in \mathcal{A}(W_R) \text{ is smooth}\}''$. The map

$$W := (a, \Lambda)W_R \longmapsto U(a, \Lambda)\mathcal{A}(W_R)_\lambda U(a, \Lambda)^{-1} =: \mathcal{A}(W)_\lambda$$

is a wedge local net and describes non-trivial interaction

$$\text{out}_\lambda \langle p, q | p', q' \rangle_\lambda^{\text{in}} = e^{i|\lambda p Q q| + i|\lambda p' Q q'|} \cdot \text{out} \langle p, q | p', q' \rangle^{\text{in}}$$

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Use a family of algebras/wedges.

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- it admits two spacelike Killing vector fields ξ_1, ξ_2 which are smooth, complete, commuting and linearly independent at each point
- M splits according to $M \cong \mathbb{R} \times I \times E$ where I is simply connected and

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Killing pairs $\Xi(M, g) =$ the set of all *ordered* pairs (ξ_1, ξ_2) satisfying these conditions

Inverted Killing pair: $\xi' = (\xi_2, \xi_1)$

Examples of admissible spacetimes

- certain warped product spacetimes

- Bianchi models I-VII

- Kasner spacetimes

- spatially homogeneous but anisotropic cosmological models
- $M \cong J \times \mathbb{R}^3$ with $J \subset \mathbb{R}$ and

$$g = dt^2 - e^{2f_1} dx^2 - e^{2f_2} dy^2 - e^{2f_3} dz^2,$$

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- Minkowski spacetime

Properties of Killing Pairs

Actions on Killing pairs:

- $\text{Iso}(M, g)$ acts on $\Xi(M, g)$ via push-forward: $h_*\xi := (h_*\xi_1, h_*\xi_2)$
- $\text{GL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ acts on $\Xi(M, g)$ pointwise: $(N\xi)(p) := N(\xi_1(p), \xi_2(p))$

These are commuting group actions.

Associated flow:

- $\varphi_{\xi, s} := \varphi_{\xi_1, s_1} \circ \varphi_{\xi_2, s_2}$, where $s := (s_1, s_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$
- φ_{ξ} is an isometric \mathbb{R}^2 -action by diffeomorphisms on (M, g) .

Edges and wedges in admissible spacetimes

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Lemma

The causal complement $E'_{\xi,p}$ of an edge $E_{\xi,p}$ is the disjoint union of two connected components, which are causal complements of each other.

This Lemma is not true if the topological restriction on M is dropped.

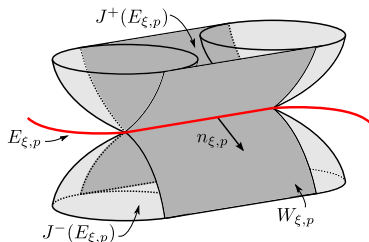
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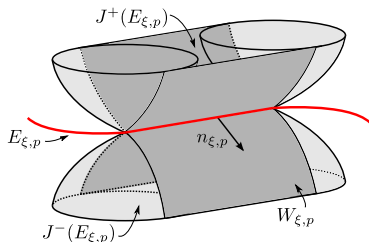
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Proposition (Properties of wedges)

- $(W_{\xi,p})'' = W_{\xi,p}$. Hence $W_{\xi,p}$ is globally hyperbolic.
- $(W_{\xi,p})' = W_{\xi',p}$
- $\varphi_{\xi,s}(W_{\xi,p}) = W_{\xi,p}$, for all $s \in \mathbb{R}^2$
- $h(W_{\xi,p}) = W_{h_*\xi, h(p)}$

Hence, \mathcal{W} is invariant under $\text{Iso}(M, g)$ and causal complementation.

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- Equivalence relation: $\xi, \tilde{\xi} \in \Xi(M, g)$

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Proposition (Inclusion of wedges)

$$W_{\xi, p} \subset W_{\tilde{\xi}, \tilde{p}} : \Leftrightarrow p \in \overline{W_{\tilde{\xi}, \tilde{p}}} \text{ and } \exists N \in \text{GL}(2, \mathbb{R}), \det N > 0 : \tilde{\xi} = N\xi.$$

Hence, only wedges in the same coherent subfamily can form an inclusion.

Deformation of wedge-local nets with Killing vector fields

Let $W \mapsto \mathcal{A}(W) \subset \mathcal{A}$ be a wedge-local net on an admissible spacetime:

$$(1) \quad W \subset \tilde{W} \Rightarrow \mathcal{A}(W) \subset \mathcal{A}(\tilde{W})$$

$$(2) \quad W \subset \tilde{W}' \Rightarrow \mathcal{A}(W) \subset \mathcal{A}(\tilde{W})'$$

(3) There exists a strongly continuous action $\alpha : \text{Iso}(M, g) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{A})$:

$$\alpha_h(\mathcal{A}(W)) = \mathcal{A}(hW), \quad h \in \text{Iso}(M, g).$$

Goal: use warped convolution to define a map $W \mapsto \mathcal{A}(W)_\lambda$ with $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$:

- $\mathcal{A}(W)_0 = \mathcal{A}(W)$
- (1), (2), (3) is true for $W \mapsto \mathcal{A}(W)_\lambda$ and each $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$.

Warped convolution with Killing vector fields

For the deformation: work in a Hilbert space setting

- $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$
- there exists a continuous unitary representation U of $\text{Iso}(M, g)$:

$$\alpha_g(A) = U(g)AU(g)^{-1}, \quad A \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Remarks:

- every C^* -dynamical system $(\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}), G, \alpha)$ has a faithful and covariant representation on $L^2(G) \otimes \mathcal{H}$ [Pedersen:78]
- assume that \mathcal{H} is separable
- no state is selected
(no assumption about about U -invariant vectors or spectral properties of U)

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Ingredients for the deformation:

- strongly continuous, automorphic \mathbb{R}^2 -action:

$$\alpha_{\varphi_{\xi,s}} = \text{ad } U(\varphi_{\xi,s}), \quad \tau_{\xi,s} := \alpha_{\varphi_{\xi,s}}, \quad U_{\xi}(s) := U(\varphi_{\xi,s})$$

- smooth elements w.r.t. $\xi \in \Xi(M, g)$:

$$\mathcal{A}^{\infty} := \{A \in \mathcal{A} : \mathbb{R}^2 \ni s \mapsto \tau_{\xi,s}(A) \text{ is smooth in norm}\}$$

- $Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Definition: Let $A \in \mathcal{A}^{\infty}$ and define (in an oscillatory sense)

$$A_{\xi,\lambda} := \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int ds ds' e^{-iss'} U_{\xi}(\lambda Qs) A U_{\xi}(-\lambda Qs) U_{\xi}(s'),$$

where $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and ss' is the standard Euclidean inner product of $s, s' \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

Warped convolution with Killing vector fields

Properties of warped operators: [Buchholz,Lechner,Summers:10]

- $A_{\xi,\lambda}$ is well-defined on a dense subspace of \mathcal{H} and can be extended to bounded operator on all of \mathcal{H}
- $A_{\xi,0} = A$
- $(A_{\xi,\lambda})^* = (A^*)_{\xi,\lambda}$
- $A_{\xi,\lambda} B_{\xi,\lambda} = (A \times_{\xi,\lambda} B)_{\xi,\lambda}$, where $\times_{\xi,\lambda}$ is the Rieffel product

$$A \times_{\xi,\lambda} B := \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int ds ds' e^{-iss'} \tau_{\xi,\lambda Q_s}(A) \tau_{\xi,s'}(B)$$

- If $[\tau_{\xi,s}(A), B] = 0$ for all $s \in \mathbb{R}^2$, then $[A_{\xi,\lambda}, B_{\xi,-\lambda}] = 0$.

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Procedure:

- Consider $\mathcal{W}_{[\xi]} \subset \mathcal{W}$ and choose a representative $\xi \in [\xi]$
- for $W_{\xi,p} \in \mathcal{W}_{[\xi]}$ define

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- extend this to arbitrary wedges $hW_{\xi,p} \in \mathcal{W}_{[\xi]}$:

$$\mathcal{A}(hW_{\xi,p})_{\lambda} := \alpha_h(\mathcal{A}(W_{\xi,p})_{\lambda}), \quad \mathcal{A}(hW'_{\xi,p})_{\lambda} := \alpha_h(\mathcal{A}(W'_{\xi,p})_{\lambda}).$$

This defines

$$W \longmapsto \mathcal{A}(W)_{\lambda}$$

for all $W \in \mathcal{W}$, as $[\xi]$, p and h vary over $\Xi(M, g) / \sim$, M and $\text{Iso}(M, g)$.

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Remark:

- The deformation depends on the choice of representatives ξ .
(\equiv choice of length scale of the Killing flows)
- $(\xi \rightarrow c \cdot \xi, c \in \mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow (\varphi_{\xi,s} \rightarrow \varphi_{c\xi,s} = \varphi_{\xi,cs}) \Rightarrow (\lambda \rightarrow c^2\lambda)$

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- **Concrete model:** free Dirac field on FRW with flat spatial sections
 - consider $E(3)$ -invariant, quasifree state ω with Reeh-Schlieder property (spacetime deformation argument [Sanders:08])
 - GNS representation of the Dirac field \rightarrow warped convolution
 - Reeh-Schlieder is violated for regions \mathcal{C} smaller than wedges
 - Hence, there does not exist a unitary V , such that

$$V \pi_\omega(\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C}))_\lambda V^{-1} = \pi_\omega(\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C})),$$

since V would preserve cyclicity of Ω_ω .

Conclusion

We have defined wedges in a class of spacetimes which admit two spacelike Killing VF.

- These share the essential features of wedges in Minkowski spacetime.
- The family \mathcal{W} is, in general, *not* causally separating:
given double cones $\mathcal{O}_1, \mathcal{O}_2 \subset M$ spacelike separated
 $\Rightarrow \exists W \in \mathcal{W} : \mathcal{O}_1 \subset W \subset \mathcal{O}'_2$

This property is important to go back to local nets.
(However, in the FRW-case, \mathcal{W} is causally separating.)

We have applied the warped convolution deformation method to QFTs on these spacetimes.

- The Killing flow was used as \mathbb{R}^2 -action.
- Localization of observables in wedges is stable under deformation.

Outlook

Applications in cosmology? (4-point function)

Non-admissible spacetimes:

- FRW with spherical spatial sections ($E \cong S^2$)
- (4-d) de Sitter
 - $E \cong S^2 = \text{SO}(3)$ -orbit
 - abelian Killing flows
- Schwarzschild
- Kerr

Deformations with non-abelian groups

- Poincaré group
- affine group [Bieliavsky:07] \rightarrow conformal QFTs