

κ -deformed special relativity

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2+1D QG is a topological theory (no local propagating degrees of freedom).

Coupling point particles (*i.e.* conical defects) leads to deformed relativistic kinematics ($SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ -valued momenta, deformed Poisson structure, ...)

[Matschull–Welling, CQG 1998]

Certain formulation of QG+scalar [Freidel–Livine PRL 2006]:

$$\int \mathcal{D}[g]\mathcal{D}[\phi]e^{iS[g,\phi]} = \int \mathcal{D}[\phi]e^{iS_{eff}[\phi]}$$

$S_{eff}[\phi]$ = nonlocal theory (infinite derivatives of ϕ),

can be reformulated as ordinary QFT on a *noncommutative spacetime*:

$$[x^\mu, x^\nu] \propto L_p x^\rho$$

symmetric under *Hopf algebra / Quantum Group* deformation of $ISO(2, 1)$:

$$\begin{aligned} x'^\mu &= \Lambda^\mu{}_\nu \otimes x^\nu + a^\mu \otimes 1 , \\ \text{s.t.} &\qquad\qquad\qquad \Rightarrow \qquad\qquad\qquad \begin{cases} [\Lambda^\mu{}_\nu, \Lambda^\rho{}_\sigma] \\ [\Lambda^\mu{}_\nu, a^\rho] \neq 0 \\ [a^\mu, a^\nu] \end{cases} \\ [x'^\mu, x'^\nu] &\propto L_p x'^\rho , \end{aligned}$$

Quantum groups

On top of the ordinary Lie group structures...

$$\begin{cases} \Delta[\Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu}] = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\rho} \otimes \Lambda^{\rho}_{\nu}, \\ \Delta[a^{\mu}] = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\rho} \otimes a^{\rho} + a^{\mu} \otimes 1, \end{cases} \quad (\text{composition})$$

$$\begin{cases} S[\Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu}] = (\Lambda^{-1})^{\mu}_{\nu}, \\ S[a^{\mu}] = -(\Lambda^{-1})^{\mu}_{\rho} a^{\rho}, \end{cases} \quad (\text{inverse})$$

$$\begin{cases} \epsilon[\Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu}] = \delta^{\mu}_{\rho}, \\ \epsilon[a^{\mu}] = 0, \end{cases} \quad (\text{identity})$$

...we have an additional layer: a noncommutative algebra of functions over the group manifold

$$\begin{cases} [\Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu}, \Lambda^{\rho}_{\sigma}] \\ [\Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu}, a^{\rho}] \\ [a^{\mu}, a^{\nu}] \end{cases} \neq 0.$$

Group axioms: Δ coassociative and $1 \otimes S \circ \Delta = \epsilon = S \otimes 1 \circ \Delta$.

Δ , S and ϵ must be *homomorphisms* w.r.t. $[\cdot, \cdot]$.

$[\cdot, \cdot]$ can be seen as the quantization of a Poisson bracket $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$.

Quantum groups are quantization of Poisson-Lie groups.

The infinitesimal version of a Poisson-Lie group is a *Lie bialgebra*.

This is a Lie algebra:

$$[X_i, X_j] = c_{ij}{}^k X_k, \quad c_{ij}{}^l c_{lk}{}^m + c_{ki}{}^l c_{lj}{}^m + c_{jk}{}^l c_{li}{}^m = 0,$$

whose dual $\langle X_i, x^j \rangle = \delta^i{}_j$ is another Lie algebra:

$$\{x^i, x^j\} = f^{ij}{}_k x^k, \quad f^{jk}{}_i f^{lm}{}_j + f^{jl}{}_i f^{mk}{}_j + f^{jm}{}_i f^{kl}{}_j = 0,$$

with compatibility conditions between their structure constants:

$$f^{ab}{}_k c_{ij}{}^k = f^{ak}{}_i c_{kj}{}^b + f^{kb}{}_i c_{kj}{}^a + f^{ak}{}_j c_{ik}{}^b + f^{kb}{}_j c_{ik}{}^a,$$

equivalent to coassociativity of Δ . *Cocommutator* (dual map to $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$):

$$\delta(X^i) = f^{ij}{}_k X_j \wedge X_k,$$

the compatibility condition states that δ is a 1-cocycle:

$$\delta([X_i, X_j]) = [X_i, X_j \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes X_j] + [X_i \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes X_i, X_j].$$

Which Quantum Group for 3+1D?

[FM–Sergola, NPB 2018]

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$$[Q^\mu, M^{\rho\sigma}] = \eta^{\mu\rho} Q^\sigma - \eta^{\mu\sigma} Q^\rho, \quad [Q^\mu, Q^\nu] = \lambda M^{\mu\nu}.$$

where $P_\mu = \sqrt{|\Lambda|} Q_\mu$ and $\lambda = \text{sgn}(\Lambda)$.

most generic cocommutator:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(Q_\mu) &= a_\mu{}^{\rho\sigma} Q_\rho \wedge Q_\sigma + b_\mu{}^{\rho\sigma\gamma} Q_\rho \wedge M_{\sigma\gamma} + c_\mu{}^{\rho\sigma\gamma\delta} M_{\rho\sigma} \wedge M_{\gamma\delta}, \\ \delta(M_{\mu\nu}) &= d_{\mu\nu}{}^{\rho\sigma} Q_\rho \wedge Q_\sigma + e_{\mu\nu}{}^{\rho\sigma\gamma} Q_\rho \wedge M_{\sigma\gamma} + f_{\mu\nu}{}^{\rho\sigma\gamma\delta} M_{\rho\sigma} \wedge M_{\gamma\delta},\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\delta(Q) &= a Q \wedge Q + b Q \wedge M + c M \wedge M, \\ \delta(M) &= d Q \wedge Q + e Q \wedge M + f M \wedge M,\end{aligned}$$

$a, b \dots$ = functions of the two physical scales in the theory:
 $L_p \sim 10^{-35} m$ and $\Lambda \sim 10^{-52} m^{-2}$.

$a, b \dots$ are dimensionless. Can only be functions of $q = L_p \sqrt{|\Lambda|} \sim 10^{-61}$.

Assuming that $\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} a(q) = 0, \dots$ and that they are analytic:

$$a(q) = q a^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} q^2 a^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(q^3),$$

⋮

$$f(q) = q f^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} q^2 f_\mu^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(q^3),$$

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reintroducing the dimensional translation generators $P_\mu = \sqrt{|\Lambda|} Q_\mu$:

$$\delta(P_\mu) = L_p \left(a^{(1)} P \wedge P + \underbrace{\sqrt{|\Lambda|} b^{(1)} P \wedge M + |\Lambda| c^{(1)} M \wedge M}_{\text{suppressed by } \Lambda} \right) + \mathcal{O}(q^2),$$

$$\delta(M_{\mu\nu}) = L_p \left(\underbrace{\frac{d^{(1)}}{\sqrt{|\Lambda|}} P \wedge P}_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ \Lambda \rightarrow 0}} + e^{(1)} P \wedge M + \underbrace{\sqrt{|\Lambda|} f^{(1)} M \wedge M}_{\text{suppressed by } \Lambda} \right) + \mathcal{O}(q^2).$$

Constraints imposed by Dimensional Analysis

[Zakrzewski, CMP 1997]: if algebra is Poincaré there are 23 independent solutions of the bialgebra axioms.

However, if we only keep the blue terms, we are left with 7-parameter family:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(P_\mu) &= v^\nu P_\nu \wedge P_\mu, \\ \delta(M_{\mu\nu}) &= v_{[\mu} M_{\nu]\rho} \wedge P^{\rho} + v^\rho P_\rho \wedge M[u_1, u_2, u_3].\end{aligned}$$

$M[u_1, u_2, u_3]$: generic element of stabilizer of $v^\rho P_\rho$. “Reshetikhin twist”
[Daszkiewicz, IJMPA 2008]

v^μ are 4 $\mathcal{O}(L_p)$ parameters. ‘vectorial’ generalization of κ -Poincaré.

Imposing ‘manifest’ spatial isotropy: $u^i = 0$, $v^\mu = \frac{1}{\kappa} \delta^\mu{}_0$.



‘timelike’ κ -Poincaré [Lukierski–Nowicki–Ruegg–Tolstoy, PLB 1991].

κ -Poincaré group

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Lorentz transformations close a subalgebra, and the translations act on them,
 $[\Lambda, a] = \Lambda$ ('coreductivity', [Ballesteros–FM–Gutierrez, arXiv:1909.01000]).

κ -Minkowski noncommutative spacetime

Coisotropy+coreductivity $[a, a] = a$, $[\Lambda, a] = \Lambda \rightarrow \delta\Lambda\delta a \geq \langle \Lambda \rangle / 2$



quantum homogeneous space from translation subalgebra a^μ

[Lizzi–Manfredonia–FM-Poulain, PRD 2019]

$$[x^\mu, x^\nu] = i(v^\mu x^\nu - v^\nu x^\mu) , \quad x^\mu \in \mathcal{A}, \text{ “}\kappa\text{-Minkowski”}$$

on which the κ -Poincaré group acts covariantly:

$$x'^\mu = \Lambda^\mu{}_\nu \otimes x^\nu + a^\mu \otimes 1 \Rightarrow [x'^\mu, x'^\nu] = i(v^\mu x'^\nu - v^\nu x'^\mu) .$$

Curved momentum spaces associated to κ -Minkowski

The algebra $[x^\mu, x^\nu] = i(v^\mu x^\nu - v^\nu x^\mu)$ admits a faithful 5D representation:

$$\rho(x^0) = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & v^0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ v^0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho(x^1) = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & v^0 & 0 & 0 & v^1 \\ v^0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & v^0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ v^1 & -v^0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho(x^2) = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & v^0 & 0 & v^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ v^0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & v^0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ v^2 & 0 & -v^0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho(x^3) = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & v^0 & v^3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ v^0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & v^0 \\ v^3 & 0 & 0 & -v^0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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...as linear combinations of $so(4, 1)$ matrices:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(x^0) &= i v^0 M_{04} , \\ \rho(x^1) &= iv^0(M_{01} + M_{41}) + i v^1 M_{04} , \\ \rho(x^2) &= iv^0(M_{02} + M_{42}) + i v^2 M_{04} , \\ \rho(x^3) &= iv^0(M_{03} + M_{43}) + i v^3 M_{04} .\end{aligned}$$

Exponentialization generates the 4D Lie group $SB(3)$:

$$G(p_\mu) = e^{i p_1 \rho(x^1)} e^{i p_2 \rho(x^2)} e^{i p_3 \rho(x^3)} e^{i p_0 \rho(x^0)}$$

p_μ = coordinates on the group = momenta!

[Kowalski-Glikman, Ballesteros–Herranz, Ballesteros–Gubitosi ...]

Curved momentum spaces associated to κ -Minkowski

Starting from a fiducial point X^A in 5D ambient space,
the group action generates a 4D manifold:

$$G(p_\mu)^A{}_B X^B = S^A(p^\mu),$$

$S^A(p^\mu)$ = embedding coordinates : $\mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^{4+1}$

since $G(p_\mu)^A{}_B \in SO(4, 1)$:

$$\eta_{AB} S^A(p^\mu) S^B(p^\mu) = \text{const.}, \quad \eta_{AB} = \text{diag}(-1, 1, 1, 1, 1).$$

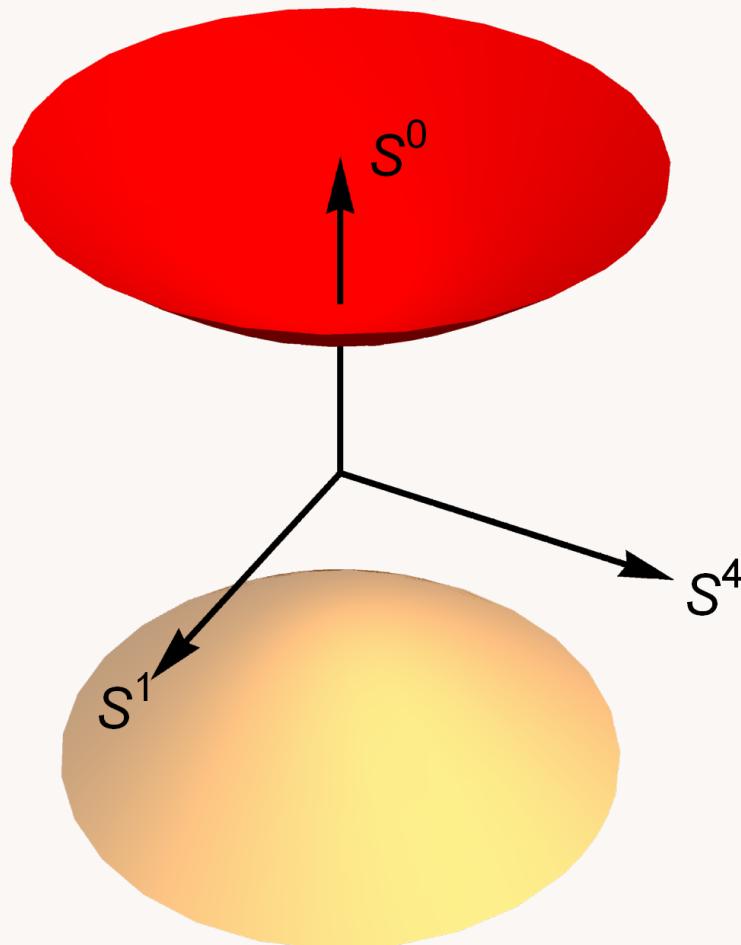
Depending on choice of X^A , we generate different momentum spaces.

[Lizzi–Manfredonia–FM, arXiv:1910.xxxx]

If X^A is timelike, e.g. $X^A = (1, 0, 0, 0, 0)$



S^A embed (half of) a two-sheeted hyperboloid in 5D Minkowski space:

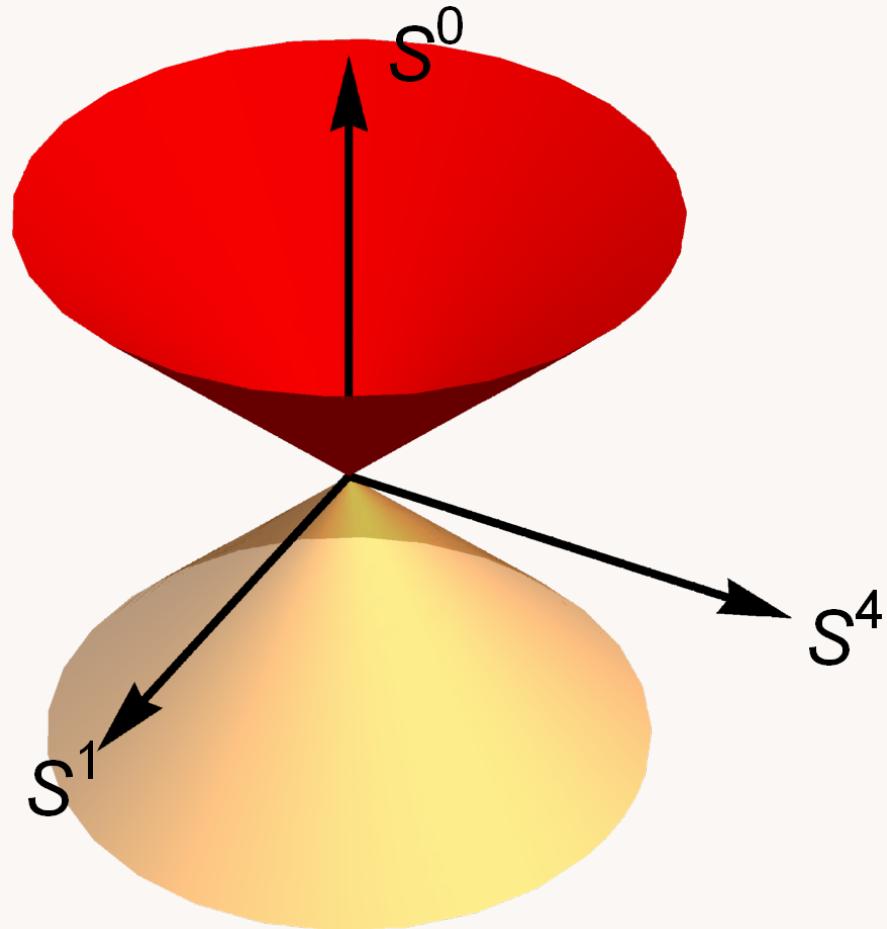


Induced metric is *Euclidean*.

If X^A is lightlike, e.g. $X^A = (\pm 1, 0, 0, 0, 1)$



S^A embed a (future or past) lightcone in 5D Minkowski space:

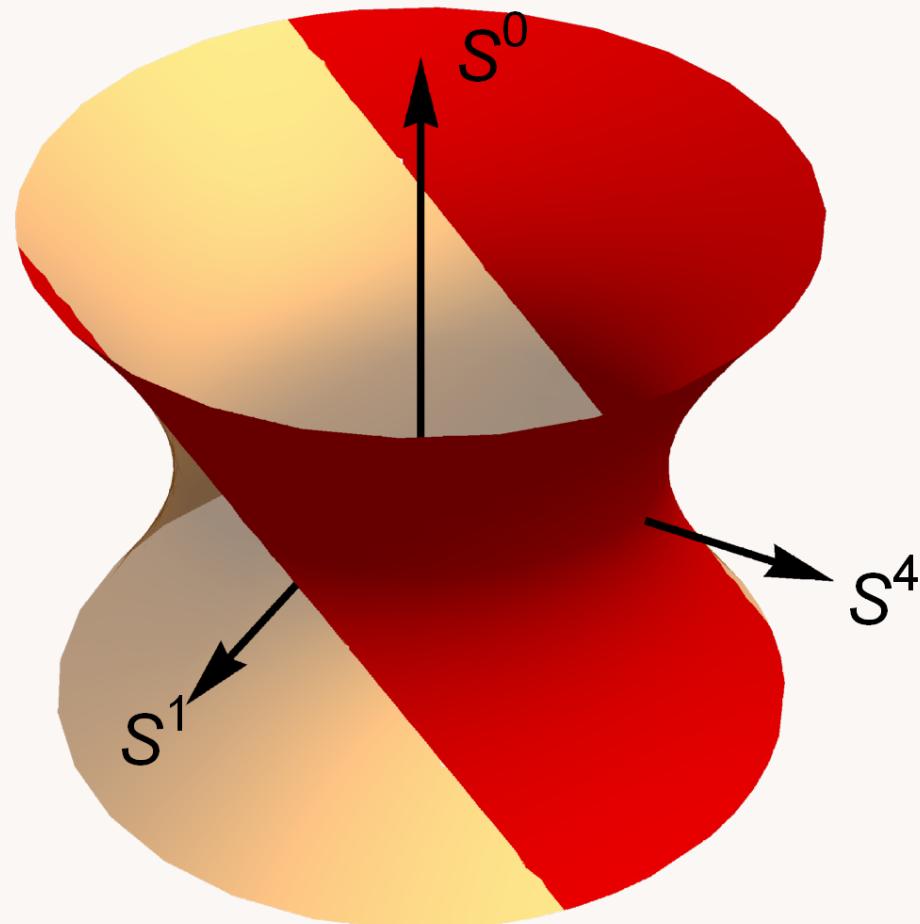


Induced metric is *degenerate*, $\det g = 0$.

If X^A is spacelike, e.g. $X^A = (0, 0, 0, 0, 1)$,
we have the additional condition $S^0 + S^4 > 0$



S^A embed half of a one-sheeted hyperboloid in 5D Minkowski space:



Induced metric is *Lorentzian*.

A few special choices of X^A give rise to degenerate ($D < 4$) group orbits.

The *timelike*, *lightlike* and *spacelike* choices of X^A correspond to:

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with, respectively:

$$\eta^{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(1, 1, 1, 1), \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \eta^{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(0, 1, 1, 1) \\ \eta_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(1, 0, 0, 0) \end{array} \right., \quad \eta^{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(-1, 1, 1, 1),$$

Euclidean group ISO(4)	Carroll group	Poincaré group ISO(3,1)
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can be obtained as three Inönü–Wigner contractions of $SO(4, 1)$.

([Lizzi–Manfredonia–FM, 1910.xxxx])

de Sitter momentum space

Focusing on the Lorentzian case: $X^A = (0, 0, 0, 0, 1)$:

$$G(p_\mu)^A_B X^B = \left(\sinh \frac{p_0}{\kappa} + \frac{e^{\frac{p_0}{\kappa}} \|\vec{p}\|^2}{2\kappa^2}, \frac{e^{\frac{p_0}{\kappa}} \vec{p}}{\kappa}, \cosh \frac{p_0}{\kappa} - \frac{e^{\frac{p_0}{\kappa}} \|\vec{p}\|^2}{2\kappa^2} \right),$$

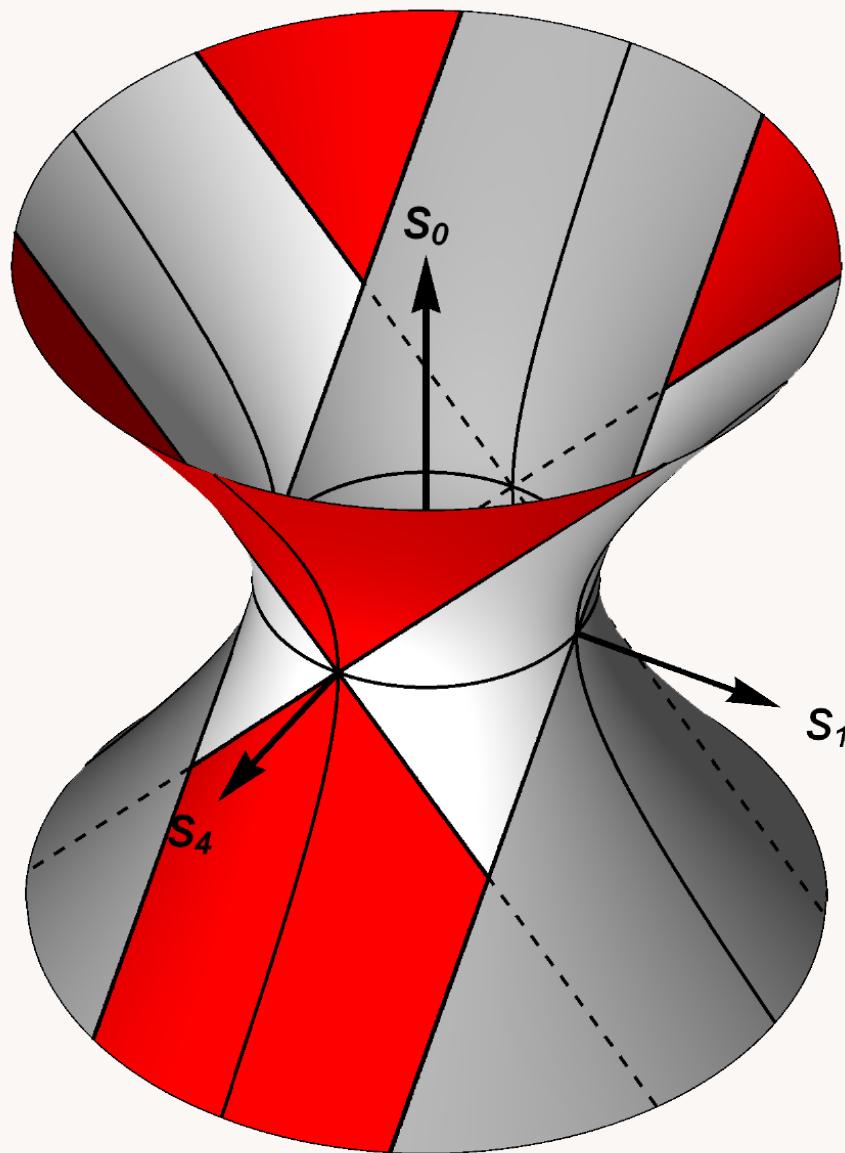
this is an embedding of 4D de Sitter spacetime in 5D Minkowski space:

$$-S_0^2 + S_1^2 + S_2^2 + S_3^2 + S_4^2 = 1,$$

or, actually, *half* of it:

$$S_0 + S_4 = e^{\frac{p_0}{\kappa}} > 0$$

[Kowalski-Glikman–Nowak , CQG 2003]



Lorentz transformations of momenta

Poincaré transformation of κ -Minkowski coordinates:

$$x'^\mu = \Lambda^\mu{}_\nu \otimes x^\nu + a^\mu \otimes 1$$

transformation of ordered plane wave:

$$: e^{ip_\mu x'^\mu} :=: e^{ip'_\mu [\Lambda^\mu{}_\nu] \otimes x^\nu} :: e^{ip_\mu a^\mu \otimes 1} :$$

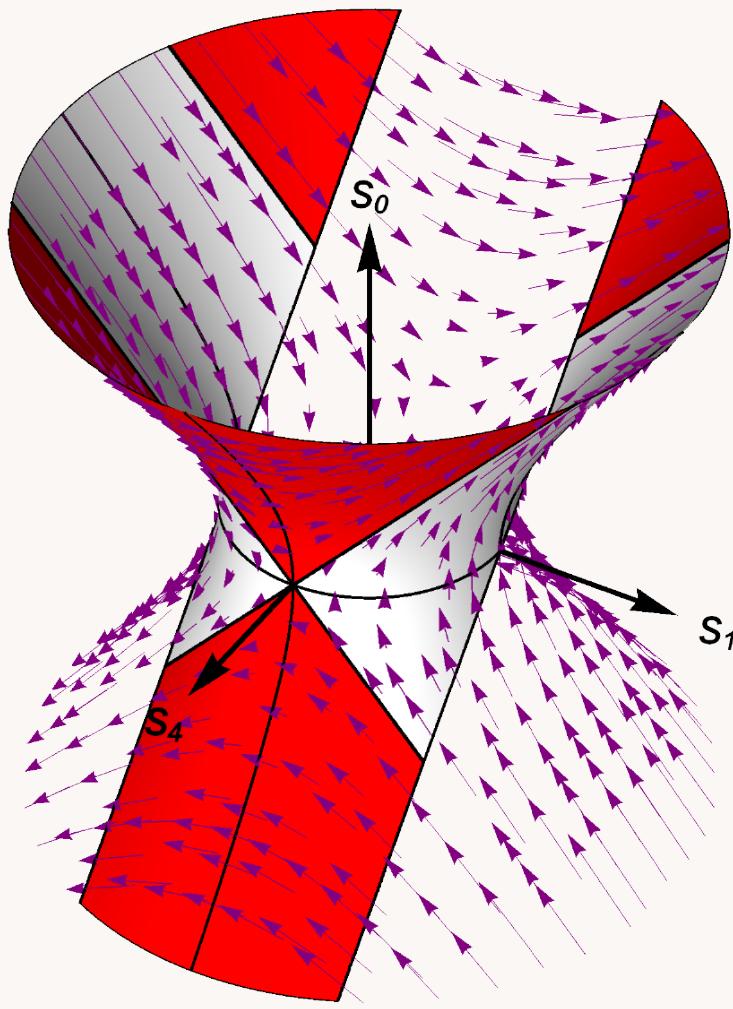
where $p'_\mu [\Lambda^\mu{}_\nu]$ = complicated nonlinear function of $\Lambda^\mu{}_\nu$ and p_μ
[FM–Sergola PRD 2018]

On the embedding coordinates they act linearly:

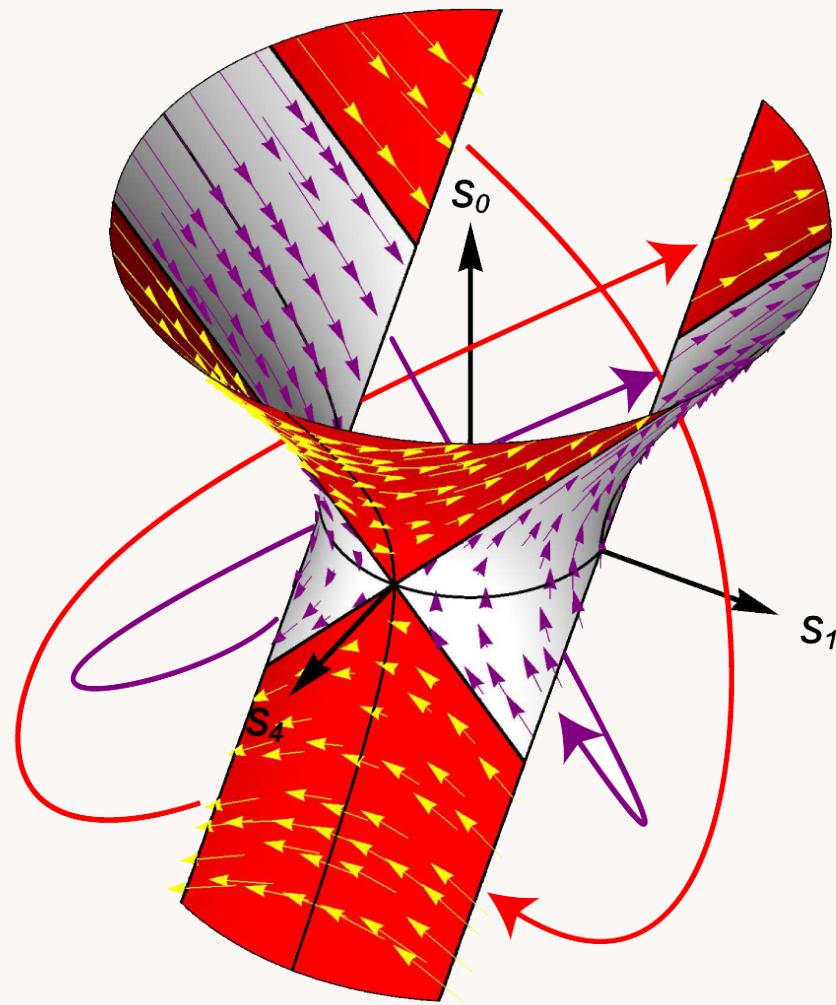
$$S'_\mu = \Lambda^\nu{}_\mu S_\nu, \quad S'_4 = S_4 \Rightarrow \text{invariant! Mass Casimir?}$$

but the condition $S_0 + S_4 > 0$ is not invariant under Lorentz transformations!

[Freidel–Kowalski–Glikman–Nowak, IJMPA 2008]



A solution: Elliptic de Sitter topology: dS/\sim , $S^A \sim -S^A$,



[FM–Sergola, PRD 2018]

$$S_4 = \cosh \frac{p_0}{\kappa} - \frac{e^{\frac{p_0}{\kappa}} \|\vec{p}\|^2}{2\kappa^2} = 1 + \frac{1}{2\kappa} (p_0^2 - \|\vec{p}\|^2 + \mathcal{O}(\kappa^{-1}))$$

Lorentz-invariant function of momentum with the right $\kappa \rightarrow \infty$ limit.

It is tempting to interpret it as mass Casimir and do things like solve $S_4 = \text{const.}$ for p_0 , and claim $\frac{\partial p_0}{\partial p_i}$ is the group velocity of something (modified dispersion relations, superluminal propagation etc...).

But if I use different coordinates on momentum space (a freedom that Hopf algebras warrant me), I can get any kind of dispersion relation.

I want to do something more refined: study **noncommutative field theory** on κ -Minkowski, and the **microcausality relations** it involves, to see if there is superluminal propagation.

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Changing ordering corresponds to a diffeomorphism in momentum space:

$$\underbrace{e^{ik_0x^0} e^{ik_i x^i}}_{\text{time-to-the-left}} = \underbrace{e^{ie^{\frac{k_0}{\kappa}} k_i x^i} e^{ik_0 x^0}}_{\text{time-to-the-right}}, \quad \underbrace{e^{ik_0x^0 + ik_i x^i}}_{\text{Weyl ordering}} = \underbrace{e^{i\left(\frac{e^{k_0/\kappa}-1}{k_0/\kappa}\right) k_i x^i} e^{ik_0 x^0}}_{\text{time-to-the-right}},$$

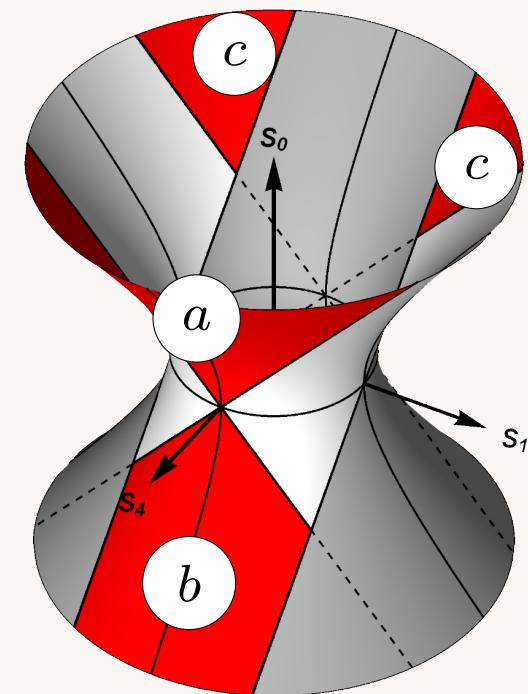
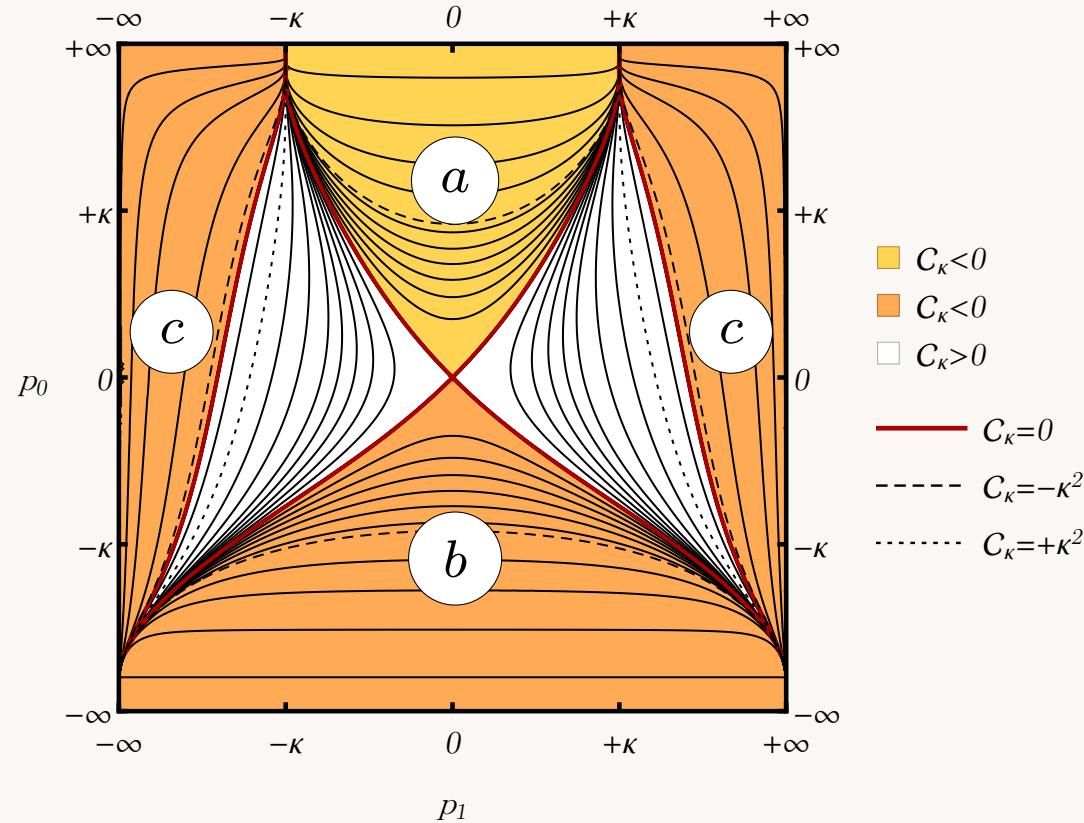
$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} d^4k \sqrt{g(k)} \phi_r(k) e^{ik_i x^i} e^{ik_0 x^0} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} d^4q \sqrt{g'(q)} \phi_l(q) e^{iq_0 x^0} e^{iq_i x^i} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} d^4p \sqrt{g''(p)} \phi_w(p) e^{ip_0 x^0 + ip_i x^i}. \end{aligned}$$

The Fourier transform $\tilde{\phi}_r(k)$ transforms, under diffeomorphisms of momentum space, like a *scalar field* on dS momentum space.

The κ -Klein–Gordon equation

S_4 is locally, not globally Lorentz-invariant on Elliptic dS.

Good mass Casimir: $\mathcal{C}_\kappa = (\kappa^2 - S_4^2) \sim -p_0^2 + |\vec{p}|^2 + \frac{p_0|\vec{p}|^2}{\kappa} + \mathcal{O}(\kappa^{-2})$



$|S_4| > \kappa$ in the mass shell (red region)
and $|S_4| < \kappa$ in the tachionic mass shell (white region).

Complex κ -Klein–Gordon equation:

$$\mathcal{C}_\kappa \triangleright \phi = -m^2 \phi, \quad \mathcal{C}_\kappa \triangleright \phi^\dagger = -m^2 \phi^\dagger,$$

general solution (invariant under momentum-space diffeomorphisms):

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{2m} \int d^4 p \sqrt{-g(p)} \sqrt{-g^{\mu\nu}(p) \frac{\partial \mathcal{C}_\kappa}{\partial p^\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{C}_\kappa}{\partial p^\nu}} \delta(\mathcal{C}_\kappa(p) + m^2) \phi_r(p) : e^{ip_\mu x^\mu} :$$

explicitly:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x) = & \int_{|\vec{p}| < \kappa} \frac{d^3 p e^{\frac{3\omega^+ (|\vec{p}|)}{\kappa}}}{2\sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2}} \phi_a(\vec{p}) e^{i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} e^{i\omega^+ (|\vec{p}|) x^0} + \\ & \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{d^3 p e^{\frac{3\omega^- (|\vec{p}|)}{\kappa}}}{2\sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2}} \phi_b(\vec{p}) e^{i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} e^{i\omega^- (|\vec{p}|) x^0} + \\ & \int_{|\vec{p}| > \kappa} \frac{d^3 p e^{\frac{3\omega^+ (|\vec{p}|)}{\kappa}}}{2\sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2}} \phi_c(\vec{p}) e^{i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} e^{i\omega^+ (|\vec{p}|) x^0}. \end{aligned}$$

Quantization

Simply promote $\phi \in \mathcal{A}$ to an element of $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{H}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\phi}(x) = & \int_{|\vec{p}|<\kappa} \frac{d^3 p e^{\frac{3\omega^+ (|\vec{p}|)}{\kappa}}}{2\sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2}} e^{i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} e^{i\omega^+ (|\vec{p}|)x^0} \otimes \hat{a}(\vec{p}) + \\ & \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{d^3 p e^{\frac{3\omega^- (|\vec{p}|)}{\kappa}}}{2\sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2}} e^{i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} e^{i\omega^- (|\vec{p}|)x^0} \otimes \hat{b}^\dagger(\vec{p}) + \\ & \int_{|\vec{p}|>\kappa} \frac{d^3 p e^{\frac{3\omega^+ (|\vec{p}|)}{\kappa}}}{2\sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2}} e^{i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} e^{i\omega^+ (|\vec{p}|)x^0} \otimes \hat{c}^\dagger(\vec{p}) .\end{aligned}$$

But what are the quantization rules?

Cannot use canonical quantization/equal-time commutation relations:

$$[\dot{\phi}(0, \vec{x}), \phi(0, \vec{y})] = -i\delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{y}).$$

Hamiltonian formalism ill-defined:

$$[x^0, x^i] = \frac{i}{\kappa}x^i \quad \Rightarrow \quad \delta x^0 \delta x^i \geq \frac{\langle x^i \rangle}{2\kappa}$$

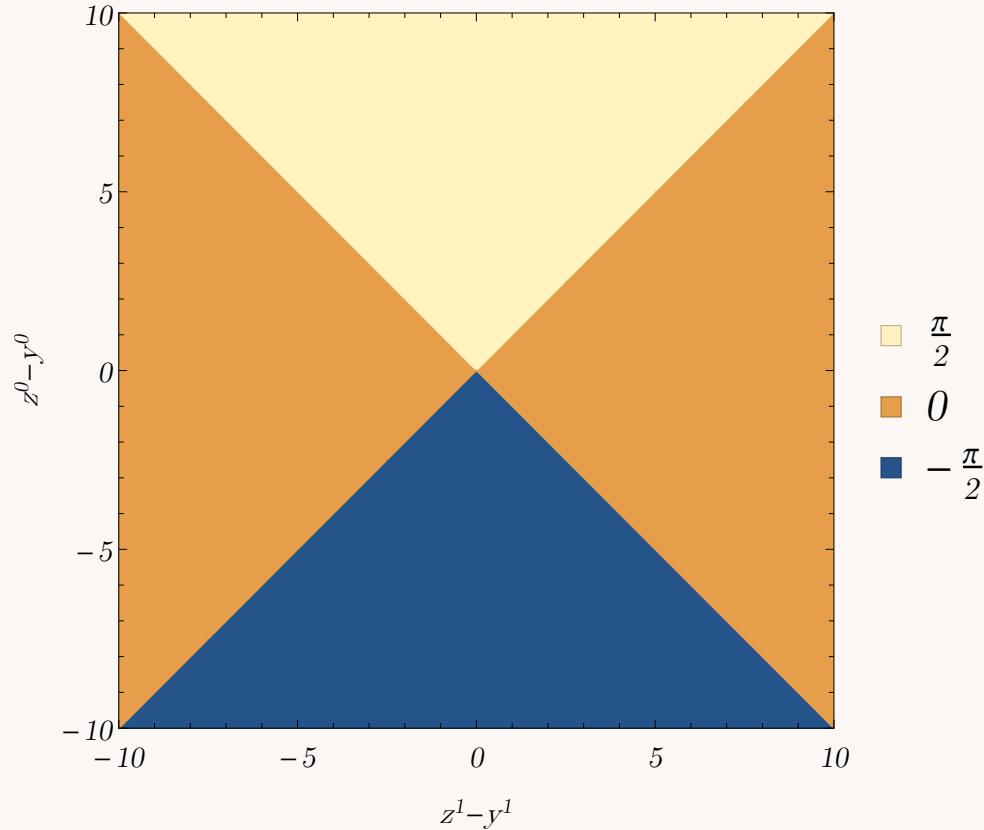
a fixed- x^0 slice has $\delta x^0 = 0 \Rightarrow$ either $\delta x^i = \infty$ or $\langle x^i \rangle = 0$.

Need a spacetime covariant notion of canonical commutators.

Pauli–Jordan function

In commutative Minkowski QFT:

$$[\hat{\phi}^\dagger(x), \hat{\phi}(y)] = i \Delta_{PJ}(x, y) = i \int d^4 p \operatorname{sign}(p_0) \delta(p^2 - m^2) e^{ip_\mu(x^\mu - y^\mu)}$$



$\Delta_{PJ}(x, y)$ is a function of two variables. Natural way to generalize this notion to noncommutative spaces: element of $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$.

Used it in [Amelino-Camelia–Gubitsi–Mercati, PLB 2009] and in [Amelino-Camelia–Bedic–Mercati, arXiv:19xx.xxxx] to define distance, area and volume operators.

The κ -Pauli–Jordan function will be $\Delta_{PJ}(z, y)$, where:

$$z^\mu = x^\mu \otimes 1, \quad y^\mu = 1 \otimes x^\mu.$$

The momentum-space-diffeomorphism invariant expression of Δ_{PJ} is:

$$\boxed{\Delta_{PJ} = \frac{1}{2m} \int d^4 p \sqrt{-g(p)} \varepsilon(p) \sqrt{-g^{\mu\nu}(p)} \frac{\partial \mathcal{C}_\kappa}{\partial p^\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{C}_\kappa}{\partial p^\nu} \delta(\mathcal{C}_\kappa + m^2) : e^{ip_\mu z^\mu} e^{iS(p)_\mu y^\mu} :}$$

where $\varepsilon(p) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{in region } a \\ -1 & \text{in region } b \\ -1 & \text{in region } c \end{cases} .$

Explicitly:

$$\begin{aligned}
i\Delta_{\text{PJ}}(z, y) = & \int_{|\vec{p}|<\kappa} d^3 p \frac{e^{3\frac{\omega^+}{\kappa}} e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{z}} - ie^{\frac{\omega^+}{\kappa}} \vec{p}\cdot\vec{y} e^{i\omega^+(z^0-y^0)}}{2\sqrt{(m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2)}} \\
& - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} d^3 p \frac{e^{3\frac{\omega^-}{\kappa}} e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{z}} e^{-ie^{\frac{\omega^-}{\kappa}} \vec{p}\cdot\vec{y}} e^{i\omega^-(z^0-y^0)}}{2\sqrt{(m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2)}} \\
& - \int_{|\vec{p}|>\kappa} d^3 p \frac{e^{3\frac{\omega^+}{\kappa}} e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{z}} e^{-ie^{\frac{\omega^+}{\kappa}} \vec{p}\cdot\vec{y}} e^{i\omega^+(z^0-y^0)}}{2\sqrt{(m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2)}},
\end{aligned}$$

this expression is invariant under κ -Poincaré transformations of z and y , and satisfies the conjugacy relation:

$$\Delta_{\text{PJ}}^\dagger(z, y) = \Delta_{\text{PJ}}(y, z),$$

which is what you expect from the commutator $[\phi^\dagger(z), \phi(y)]$.

This allows us to write the creation and annihilation operator algebra:

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{a}(\vec{p}), \hat{a}^\dagger(\vec{k})] &= 2e^{-\frac{3\omega^+(\vec{k})}{\kappa}} \sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{S}_+(\vec{k})|^2} \delta^{(3)}[\vec{p} - \vec{k}], \\ [\hat{b}(\vec{p}), \hat{b}^\dagger(\vec{k})] &= 2e^{-\frac{3\omega^-(\vec{k})}{\kappa}} \sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{S}_-(\vec{k})|^2} \delta^{(3)}[\vec{p} - \vec{k}], \\ [\hat{c}(\vec{p}), \hat{c}^\dagger(\vec{k})] &= 2e^{-\frac{3\omega^+(\vec{k})}{\kappa}} \sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{S}_+(\vec{k})|^2} \delta^{(3)}[\vec{p} - \vec{k}], \end{aligned}$$

which is invariant under the Lorentz flow on momentum space.

This suggests a natural number operator:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{N} &= \int_{|\vec{p}|<\kappa} \frac{d^3 p e^{\frac{3\omega^+(\vec{p})}{\kappa}}}{2\sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{S}_+(\vec{p})|^2}} \hat{a}^\dagger(\vec{p}) \hat{a}(\vec{p}) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{d^3 p e^{\frac{3\omega^-(\vec{p})}{\kappa}}}{2\sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{S}_-(\vec{p})|^2}} \hat{b}^\dagger(\vec{p}) \hat{b}(\vec{p}) \\ &+ \int_{|\vec{p}|>\kappa} \frac{d^3 p e^{\frac{3\omega^+ (|\vec{q}|)}{\kappa}}}{2\sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{S}_+(\vec{p})|^2}} \hat{c}^\dagger(\vec{p}) \hat{c}(\vec{p}), \end{aligned}$$

\hat{N} satisfies the standard commutation relations:

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{N}, \hat{a}^\dagger(\vec{p})] &= \hat{a}^\dagger(\vec{p}) , \quad [\hat{N}, \hat{a}(\vec{p})] = -\hat{a}(\vec{p}) , \\ [\hat{N}, \hat{b}^\dagger(\vec{p})] &= \hat{b}^\dagger(\vec{p}) , \quad [\hat{N}, \hat{b}(\vec{p})] = -\hat{b}(\vec{p}) , \\ [\hat{N}, \hat{c}^\dagger(\vec{p})] &= \hat{c}^\dagger(\vec{p}) , \quad [\hat{N}, \hat{c}(\vec{p})] = -\hat{c}(\vec{p}) , \end{aligned}$$

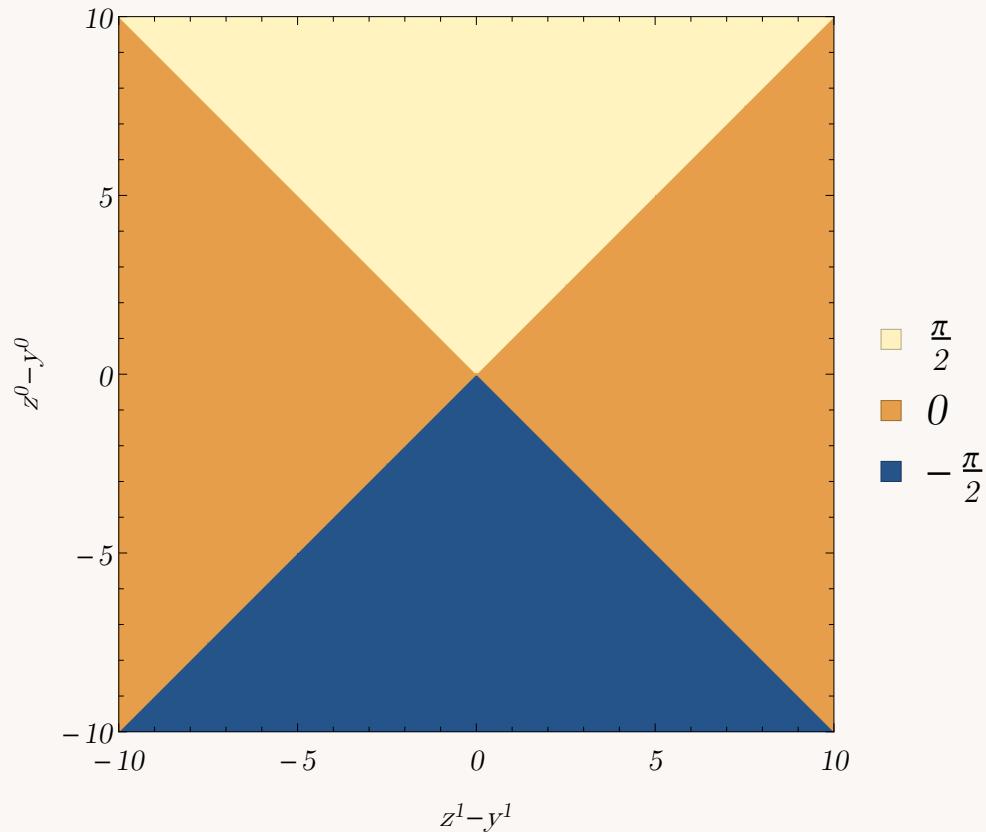
and it is explicitly Hermitian: $\hat{N}^\dagger = \hat{N}$.

Therefore the Fock space can be defined like in the commutative case.

However, finding a κ -Fock-space construction implementing the right statistics and a notion of total momentum is a complicated problem, see
[Arzano–Marcianò PRD 2007, Arzano–Benedetti, IJMPA 2009,
Arzano–Kowalski–Glikman CQG 2014].

'Calculating' the κ -Pauli–Jordan function

The commutative $\Delta_{PJ}(z, y)$ defines a light cone:



$$\Delta_{PJ}(z, y)$$

How to extract a light cone from $\Delta_{PJ}(z, y)$, a noncommuting operator?

Suggestion: introduce a differential representation for $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}$:

$$\hat{x}^\mu \in \mathcal{A} \quad [\hat{x}^0, \hat{x}^i] = \frac{i}{\kappa} \hat{x}^i,$$

and a infinite-dimensional Hilbert space of the ‘states of points’:

$$|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}, \quad \hat{x}^\mu : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H},$$

Then the expectation value of $\Delta_{PJ}(\hat{z}, \hat{y})$ on a localized state $|\psi\rangle$

$$\langle \psi | \Delta_{PJ}(\hat{z}, \hat{y}) | \psi \rangle =$$

expected value of Pauli–Jordan function in the region where $|\psi\rangle$ is localized.

The representation is simply:

$$\hat{x}^i = \frac{q^i}{\kappa} \quad (q \in \mathbb{R}), \quad \hat{x}^0 = \frac{i}{\kappa} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 q^i \frac{\partial}{\partial q^i} + \frac{3}{2} \right),$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \psi(\vec{q}) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3), \quad \langle \phi | \psi \rangle = \int d^3q \bar{\phi}(\vec{q}) \psi(\vec{q}),$$

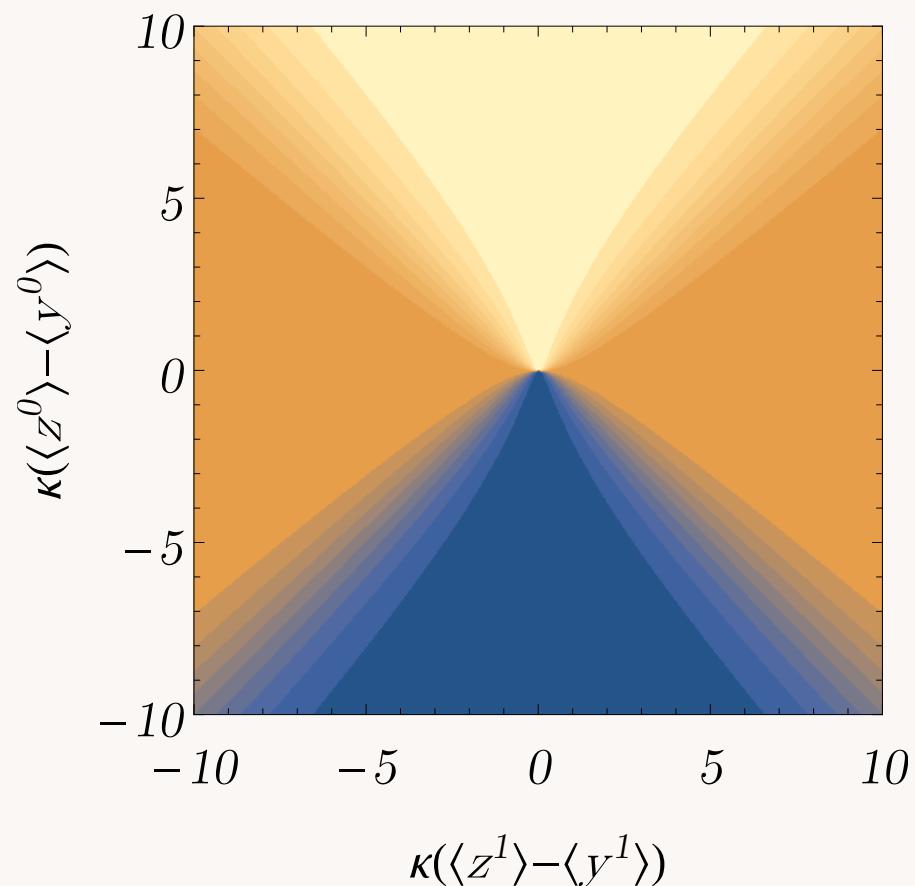
With F. Lizzi and M. Manfredonia, in [Lizzi–Manfredonia–Mercati, PRD 2018] we studied localized states of this representation, as well as an analogue representation of the κ -Poincaré group, and how to interpret everything in terms of fuzzy points/events and inertial observers related to each other by fuzzy transformations.

Check out Mattia Manfredonia's talk after mine!

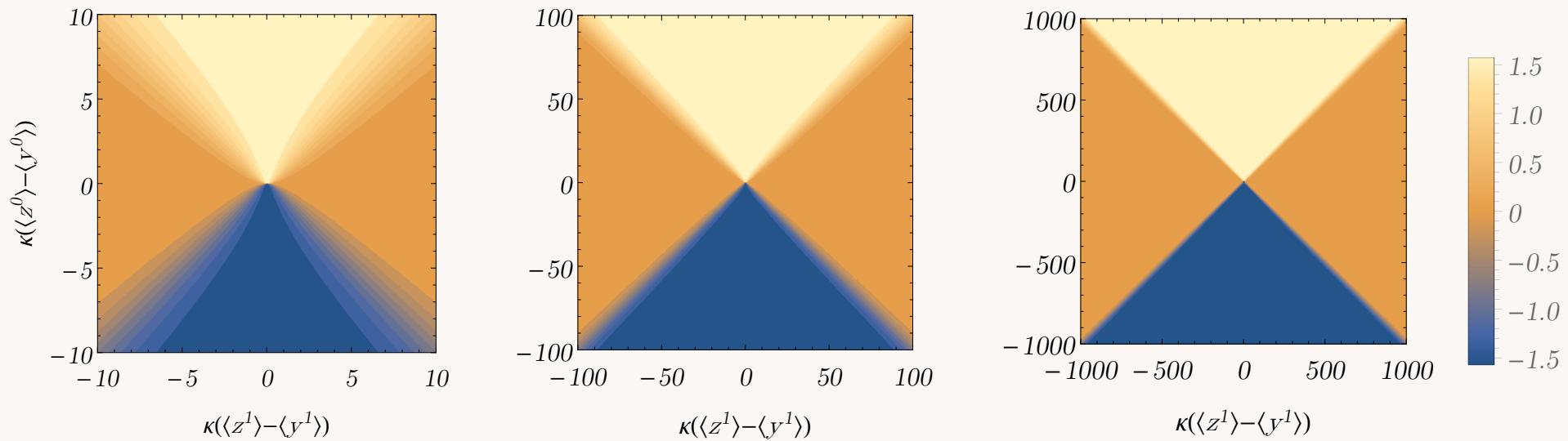
On optimally-localized states, i.e. $(\delta z^1)^2 + (\delta z^0)^2 \sim \frac{\langle z^1 \rangle}{\kappa}$

$$\langle \psi | \Delta_{PJ}(\hat{z}, \hat{y}) | \psi \rangle$$

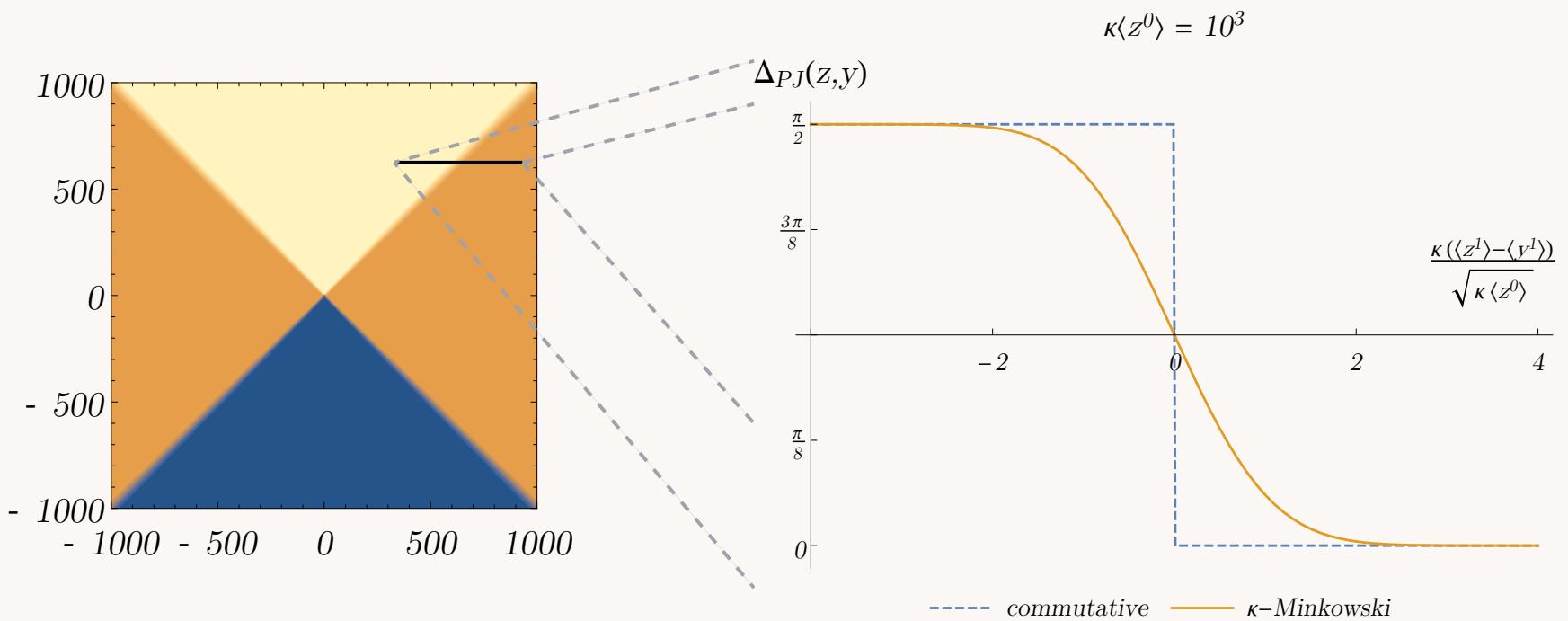
as a function of the expectation values $\langle z^\mu \rangle$ and $\langle y^\mu \rangle$ is:



Zooming out:



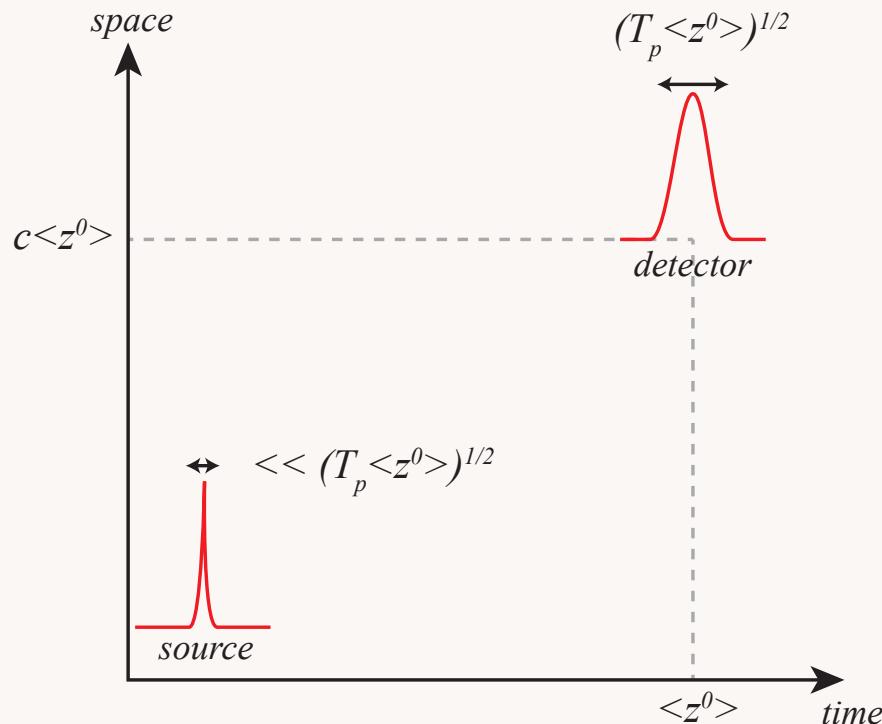
Taking a constant-time cross-cut:



The Pauli–Jordan functions falls off exponentially away from the classical light-cone, with a falloff radius of order:

$$\sqrt{\frac{\langle z^0 \rangle}{\kappa}} = \text{geometric mean between } \kappa^{-1} \sim L_p \text{ and distance from the origin.}$$

A *pointlike* source one billion light-years away, $\langle z^0 \rangle \sim 10^9 y$ will be detected with a time uncertainty of $\sqrt{L_p \langle z^0 \rangle} = 10^{-14} s = 10 \text{ femtoseconds.}$



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