

The Dark OPERA

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Motivation General Relativity: Covariance & Equivalence Principle
→ fundamental geometrical principle

Quantum Mechanics: No Such Principle
Axiomatic formulation ... $P \sim |\Psi|^2$

However Quantum + Gravity Theory
not known

Main effort: quantize GR; quantize space–time: e.g. superstring theory

The main successes of string theory:

- 1) Viable perturbative approach to quantum gravity
- 2) Unification of gravity, gauge & matter structures
i.e. construction of phenomenologically realistic models
→ relevant for experimental observation

State of the art: MSSM from string theory
(AEF, Nanopoulos, Yuan, NPB 335 (1990) 347)
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Other approaches

Geometrical

- Greene, Kirklin, Miron, Ross (1987)
Donagi, Ovrut, Pantev, Waldram (1999)
Blumenhagen, Moster, Reinbacher, Weigand (2006)
Heckman, Vafa (2008)
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Orbifolds

- Ibanez, Nilles, Quevedo (1987)
Bailin, Love, Thomas (1987)
Kobayashi, Raby, Zhang (2004)
Lebedev, Nilles, Raby, Ramos-Sanchez, Ratz, Vaudrevange, Wingerter (2007)
Blaszczyk, Groot–Nibbelink, Ruehle, Trapletti, Vaudrevange (2010)
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Other CFTs

- Gepner (1987)
Schellekens, Yankielowicz (1989)
Gato–Rivera, Schellekens (2009)
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Orientifolds

- Cvetic, Shiu, Uranga (2001)
Ibanez, Marchesano, Rabadañ (2001)
Kiritsis, Schellekens, Tsulaia (2008)
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Adaptation of Hamilton–Jacobi theory

Hamilton's equations of motion $\dot{q} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}$, $\dot{p} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q}$

$$H(q, p) \rightarrow K(Q, P) \equiv 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{Q} = \frac{\partial K}{\partial P} \equiv 0, \quad \dot{P} = -\frac{\partial K}{\partial Q} \equiv 0$$

The solution is the Classical Hamilton–Jacobi Equation

$$H(q, p) \rightarrow K(Q, P) = H(q, p = \frac{\partial S}{\partial q}) + \frac{\partial S}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{CHJE}$$

stationary case $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial S_0}{\partial q} \right)^2 + V(q) - E = 0$

$(q, p) \rightarrow (Q, P)$ via canonical transformations

q, p are independent. Solve. Then $p = \frac{\partial s}{\partial q}$

Quantum mechanics: $[q, p] = i\hbar \rightarrow q, p \rightarrow$ not independent

Assume $H \rightarrow K$ i.e. $W(Q) = V(Q) - E = 0$ always exists

But q, p not independent. $p = \frac{\partial S}{\partial q}$.

Equivalence postulate:

Consider the transformations on

$$(q, S_0(q), p = \frac{\partial S_0}{\partial q}) \rightarrow (\tilde{q}, \tilde{S}_0(\tilde{q}), \tilde{p} = \frac{\partial \tilde{S}_0}{\partial \tilde{q}})$$

Such that

$$W(q) \rightarrow \tilde{W}(\tilde{q}) = 0$$

exist for all $W(q)$

\implies QHJE

\rightarrow Schrödinger equation

Implies: Covariance of HJE

But: $\frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial S_0}{\partial q} \right)^2 + V(q) - E = 0$

Is not covariant under $q \rightarrow Q(q)$.

Further: $W(q) \equiv 0$ is a fixed state under $q \rightarrow \tilde{q}(q)$.

Assume: $\frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial S_0}{\partial q} \right)^2 + W(q) + Q(q) = 0$

The most general transformations $\tilde{W}(\tilde{q}) = \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{q}}{\partial q} \right)^{-2} W(q) + (\tilde{q}; q)$,
 $\tilde{Q}(\tilde{q}) = \left(\frac{\partial \tilde{q}}{\partial q} \right)^{-2} Q(q) - (\tilde{q}; q)$,

with $\tilde{S}_0(\tilde{q}) = S_0(q)$ under $q \rightarrow \tilde{q} = \tilde{q}(q)$

With: $W^0(q^0) = 0 \rightarrow$ All: $W(q) = (q; q^0)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & W^b(q^b) & \\ \nearrow & & \searrow \\ W^a(q^a) & \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} & W^c(q^c) \end{array}$$

Cocycle Condition: $(q^a; q^c) = \left(\frac{\partial q^b}{\partial q^c} \right)^2 [(q^a; q^b) - (q^c; q^b)]$

\Rightarrow Theorem $(q^a; q^c)$ invariant under Möbius transformations $\gamma(q^a)$

In 1D: $(q^a; q^c) \sim \{q^a; q^c\}$ Uniquely

Schwarzian derivative $\{h(x); x(y)\} = \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)^2 \{h(x); y\} - \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)^2 \{x; y\}.$

$$U(q) = \{h(q); q\} = \left\{ \frac{Ah + B}{Ch + D}; q \right\}$$

Invariant under Möbius transformations

Identity

$$\left(\frac{\partial S_0}{\partial q}\right)^2 = \frac{\beta^2}{2} \left(\{e^{\frac{i2S_0}{\beta}}; q\} - \{S_0; q\} \right)$$

Make the following identifications

$$W(q) = -\frac{\beta^2}{4m} \{e^{\frac{i2S_0}{\beta}}; q\} = V(q) - E$$

$$Q(q) = \frac{\beta^2}{4m} \{S_0; q\}$$

The Modified Hamilton–Jacobi Equation becomes

$$\frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial S_0}{\partial q}\right)^2 + V(q) - E + \frac{\beta^2}{4m} \{S_0; q\} = 0$$

in the limit $\beta \rightarrow 0$ we get back the CSHJE and $S_0^{cl} = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow 0} S_0$

From the properties of the SD $\{; \}$

$$V(q) - E = -\frac{\beta^2}{4m} \{e^{\frac{i2S_0}{\beta}}; q\}$$

is a potential of the 2nd-order diff. Eq.

$$\left(-\frac{\beta^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial q^2} + V(q) - E \right) \Psi(q) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta = \hbar$$

The general solution

$$\Psi(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{S'_0}} \left(A e^{+\frac{i}{\hbar} S_0} + B e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} S_0} \right)$$

and $e^{+\frac{i2S_0}{\hbar}} = e^{i\alpha} \frac{w + i\ell}{w - i\ell}$ $w = \frac{\psi_1}{\psi_2}$

$$\ell = \ell_1 + i\ell_2 \quad \ell_1 \neq 0 \quad \alpha \in R$$

Generalizations:

Cocycle condition \rightarrow D-dimensional E&M metrics

invariant under D-dimensional

Möbiüs (conformal) trans.

Quadratic identity:

$$\alpha^2(\nabla S_0) \cdot (\nabla S_0) = \frac{\Delta(Re^{\alpha S_0})}{Re^{\alpha S_0}} - \frac{\Delta R}{R} - \alpha \left(2\frac{\nabla R \cdot \nabla S_0}{R} + \Delta S_0 \right),$$

or

$$\alpha^2(\partial S) \cdot (\partial S) = \frac{\partial^2(Re^{\alpha S})}{Re^{\alpha S}} - \frac{\partial^2 R}{R} - \alpha \left(2\frac{\partial R \cdot \partial S}{R} + \partial^2 S \right),$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2(\partial S - eA) \cdot (\partial S - eA) &= \frac{D^2(Re^{\alpha S})}{Re^{\alpha S}} - \frac{\partial^2 R}{R} - \frac{\alpha}{R^2} \partial \cdot \left(R^2(\partial S - eA) \right), \\ D^\mu &= \partial^\mu - \alpha e A^\mu \end{aligned}$$

Relativistic case in $1 + 1$ dimensions: Start with KG equation:

$$(-\hbar^2 c^2 \Delta + m^2 c^4 - E^2) \psi = 0 , \quad \text{with} \quad \psi = R e^{\frac{1}{\hbar} S_0}.$$

$$\Rightarrow (\nabla S_0)^2 + m^2 c^2 - \frac{E^2}{c^2} + \hbar^2 \frac{\Delta R}{R} = 0 , \quad \text{RQHJE}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (R^2 \nabla S_0) = 0 . \quad \text{continuity equation}$$

$$\text{with} \quad Q = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\Delta R}{R} , \quad \text{and} \quad p = \nabla S_0$$

$$\Rightarrow E^2 = p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4 + 2mQc^2 .$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In } 1+1 \text{ D:} \quad R &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{S'_0}}, \quad \Rightarrow \quad Q = \frac{\hbar^2}{4m} \{S_0; q\} , \\ &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial S_0}{\partial q} \right)^2 + m^2 c^2 - \frac{E^2}{c^2} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \{S_0; q\} = 0 . \\ &\Rightarrow \left\{ e^{\frac{2iS_0}{\hbar}}; q \right\} = - \left(m^2 c^2 - \frac{E^2}{c^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{\frac{2i}{\hbar} S_0} = e^{i\alpha w + i\bar{\ell}} , \quad \text{where} \quad w = \psi^D / \psi$$

Use Jacobi theorem to define time

$$t - t_0 = \frac{\partial S_0}{\partial E} = \frac{\partial}{\partial E} \int_{q_0}^q dx \frac{\partial S_0}{\partial x} = \int_{q_0}^q dx \frac{E/c^2 - mc^2 \partial_E Q}{(E^2/c^2 - m^2 c^2 - 2mc^2 Q)^{1/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dq}{dt} = \left(\frac{dt}{dq} \right)^{-1} = \frac{\partial_q S_0}{E/c^2 - mc^2 \partial_E Q}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{q} = \frac{p}{(E/c^2 - mc^2 \partial_E Q)} = \frac{pc^2}{E \left(1 - \frac{m \partial Q}{E \partial E} c^4 \right)} \quad \text{take } \frac{m \partial Q}{E \partial E} c^4 \ll 1,$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{q} = \frac{p}{E} c^2 \left(1 + \frac{m \partial Q}{E \partial E} c^4 \right).$$

\Rightarrow modified dispersion relations

For KGE $\psi = \sin(kq)$ $\psi_D = \cos(kq)$

$$\frac{4m}{\hbar^2} Q(q) = \frac{k^2}{4 \left(\cos^2(kq) + (\ell_1^2 + \ell_2^2) \sin^2(kq) + \ell_2 \sin(2kq) \right)^2} \cdot$$

$$\left(3 - 6\ell_1^2 + 3\ell_1^4 + 6\ell_2^2 + 6\ell_1^2\ell_2^2 + 3\ell_2^4 \right.$$

$$- 4(-1 + \ell_1^4 + 2\ell_1^2\ell_2^2 + \ell_2^4) \cos(2kq)$$

$$+ (1 + \ell_1^4 - 6\ell_2^2 + \ell_2^4 + 2\ell_1^2(-1 + \ell_2^2)) \cos(4kq)$$

$$+ 8\ell_2 \sin(2kq) + 8\ell_1^2\ell_2 \sin(2kq) + 8\ell_2^3 \sin(2kq)$$

$$\left. + 4\ell_2 \sin(4kq) - 4\ell_1^2\ell_2 \sin(4kq) - 4\ell_2^3 \sin(4kq) \right)$$

\implies Modified dispersion relations, but not necessarily superluminal

Quantum potential as a curvature term:

Using the property of the Schwarzian derivative

$$\{S_0; q\} = - \left(\frac{\partial S_0}{\partial q} \right)^2 \{q; S_0\},$$

We can rewrite the Quantum Stationary Hamilton Jacobi Equation as

$$\frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial S_0}{\partial \hat{q}} \right)^2 + V(\hat{q}) - E = 0,$$

where

$$\hat{q} = \int^q \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \{q; S_0\}}}.$$

Flanders: J. Diff. Geom. 1970, 575 \rightarrow { ; } \rightarrow a curvature term

In higher dimensions $Q(q) \sim \frac{\Delta R(q)}{R} \rightarrow$ curvature of $R(q)$

Length Scale

For $W^0(q^0) = 0$)

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial q^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_1 = q^0 ; \psi_2 = \text{const}$$

\Rightarrow duality implies a length scale

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow e^{\frac{2i}{\hbar} S_0^0} &= e^{i\alpha \frac{q^0 + i\bar{\ell}_0}{q^0 - i\ell_0}}, \\ p_0 &= \frac{\partial S_0^0}{\partial q^0} = \pm \frac{\hbar(\ell_0 + \bar{\ell}_0)}{2|q^0 - i\ell_0|^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Max| p_0 | = $\frac{\hbar}{\text{Re}\ell_0}$ \rightarrow $\text{Re}\ell_0 \neq 0 \rightarrow$ ultraviolet cutoff

$$\lim_{\hbar \rightarrow 0} p_0 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Re}\ell_0 = \lambda_p = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}}.$$

$\ell_0 = \lambda_p \rightarrow$ choice consistent with the classical limit

$$Q^0 = \frac{\hbar^2}{4m} \{S_0^0, q^0\} = -\frac{\hbar^2 (\text{Re}\ell_0)^2}{2m} \frac{1}{|q^0 - i\ell_0|^4}.$$

Equivalence postulate $\implies q \rightarrow q^0 = w = \frac{\psi_1}{\psi_2} = \frac{\psi^D}{\psi}$

Consistency $\implies q^0 = \psi^D/\psi$ is continuous on $\hat{R} = R \cup \{\infty\}$

\implies Energy quantisation

Taking $m \sim 100\text{GeV};$

$$\text{Re } \ell_0 = \lambda_p \approx 10^{-35}m;$$

$$q^0 \sim 93Ly,$$

$$\implies |Q| \sim 10^{-202}\text{eV}.$$

For $q^0 \sim 1m \quad |Q| \sim 10^{-96}\text{eV}.$

The multiparticle case:

$$\frac{1}{2m_1}(\nabla_1 S_0)^2 + \frac{1}{2m_2}(\nabla_2 S_0)^2 - E - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_1} \frac{\Delta_1 R}{R} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_2} \frac{\Delta_2 R}{R} = 0.$$

$$\frac{1}{m_1} \nabla_1 \cdot (R^2 \nabla_1 S_0) + \frac{1}{m_2} \nabla_2 \cdot (R^2 \nabla_2 S_0) = 0.$$

set $r = r_1 - r_2$, $r_{c.m.} = \frac{m_1 r_1 + m_2 r_2}{m_1 + m_2}$, $\mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$,

$$\frac{1}{2(m_1+m_2)}(\nabla_{r_{c.m.}} S_0)^2 + \frac{1}{2\mu}(\nabla S_0)^2 - E - \frac{\hbar^2}{2(m_1+m_2)} \frac{\Delta_{r_{c.m.}} R}{R} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\Delta R}{R} = 0,$$

$$\frac{1}{m_1+m_2} \nabla_{r_{c.m.}} \cdot (R^2 \nabla_{r_{c.m.}} S_0) + \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \cdot (R^2 \nabla S_0) = 0,$$

The centre of mass motion

$$\frac{1}{2(m_1+m_2)}(\nabla_{r_{c.m.}} S_0)^2 - \tilde{E} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2(m_1+m_2)} \frac{\Delta_{r_{c.m.}} R}{R} = 0,$$

$$\frac{1}{(m_1+m_2)} \nabla_{r_{c.m.}} \cdot (R^2 \nabla_{r_{c.m.}} S_0) = 0.$$

$\implies m$ is commulative i.e. $m \sim \sum_i m_i$

conclusions :

The equivalence postulate $\implies S_0 \neq \text{const} \Leftrightarrow \hbar \neq 0$

$$\Psi(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{S'_0}} \left(A e^{+\frac{i}{\hbar} S_0} + B e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} S_0} \right)$$

$\text{Rel}_0 = \lambda_P \rightarrow \text{fundamental length scale}$

$$Q(q) = \frac{\hbar^2}{4m} \{S_0; q\} \quad \text{and} \quad Q(q) = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\Delta R(q)}{R(q)}$$

Intrinsic curvature terms of elementary particles

$$S_0 \neq Aq + B \implies Q(q) \neq 0 \underline{\underline{\text{Always}}}$$

\implies Intrinsic energy of elementary particles which is never vanishing

Outlook

EP and phase space duality $\leftrightarrow T$ -duality

EP \rightarrow axiomatic approach to quantum gravity