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Abstract: Causal

Dynamical Triangulations (CDT) is a lattice theory where aspects of quantum gravity can be studied. Two-dimensional CDT can be solved analytically and the continuum (quantum) Hamiltonian obtained.

In this talk I will show that this continuum Hamiltonian is the one obtained by quantizing two-dimensional projectable Horava-Lifshitz gravity.

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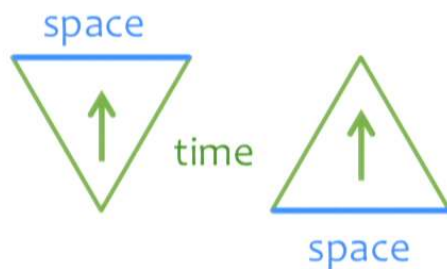
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Causal Dynamical Triangulation (CDT)

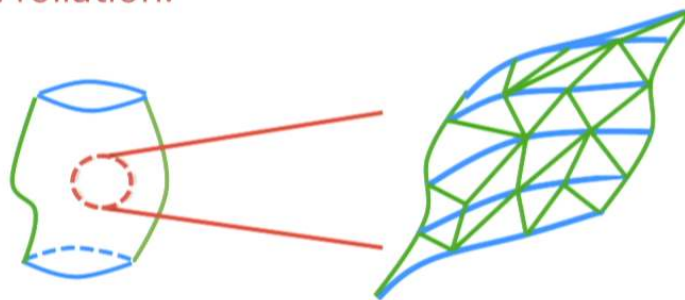
Path-integral in CDT = Sum over all triangulated geometries w/ causality

Building block: Lorentzian triangles



$$\begin{array}{l} \text{space} \quad a_s^2 = \epsilon^2 \\ \text{time} \quad a_t^2 = -\alpha \epsilon^2 \end{array}$$

Time foliation:



Sum over geometries:



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Vol (triangle)

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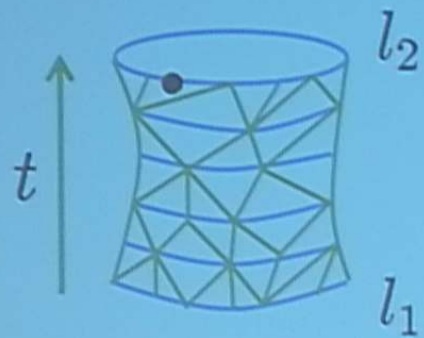


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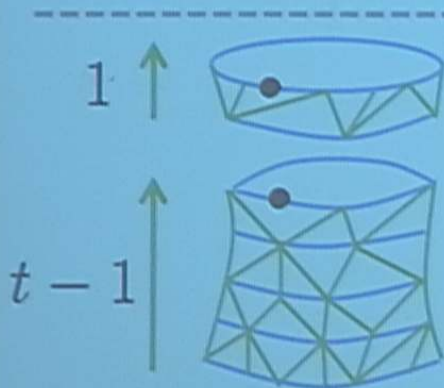
Propagator:

$$G(l_2, l_1; t) = \sum_{T(l_1, l_2)} e^{-\lambda n(T)} \equiv \sum_{T(l_1, l_2)} g^{n(T)}$$

Generating fun:

$$G(y, x; t) = \sum_{l_1, l_2} y^{l_2} x^{l_1} G(l_2, l_1; t)$$

$$= \sum_{l_1, l_2, n} w_{l_1, l_2, n} x^{l_1} y^{l_2} g^n$$



Composition rule for propagator:

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One step propagator:



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$$= \frac{g^2 xy}{(1 - gx)(1 - gx - gy)}$$

Composition rule:

$$G(y, x; t) = \oint \frac{dz}{2\pi z} G(y, z^{-1}; 1) G(z, x; t - 1)$$

$$= \frac{gy}{1 - gy} G\left(\frac{g}{1 - gy}, x; t - 1\right) \text{ Important one-step recursion}$$

Non-analytic at critical values:

$$(g_c, x_c, y_c) = (1/2, 1, 1)$$

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To obtain non-trivial **continuum limit**,  
one needs to do the followings **simultaneously**:

(1) Fine-tuning coupling constants to their **critical values**:

$$(g, x, y) \rightarrow (g_c, x_c, y_c) = (1/2, 1, 1)$$

**# (triangle) --> infinity**

(2) Shrinking the lattice spacing to **zero**:

$$\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

under the physical **macroscopic loops** and **“time”** are fixed:

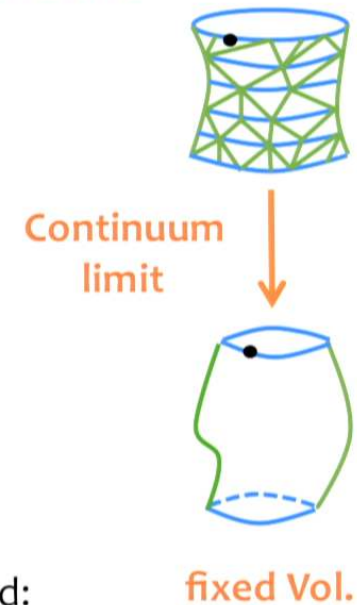
$$L_1 := \varepsilon l_1 \quad L_2 := \varepsilon l_2, \quad T := \varepsilon t$$

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Things above can be done by the following **renormalisation**:

$$g = g_c e^{-\varepsilon^2 \Lambda}, \quad x = x_c e^{-\varepsilon X}, \quad y = y_c e^{-\varepsilon Y}$$

$$G(Y, X; T) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varepsilon G(y, x; t)$$



## 2. 2D HORAVA-LIFSHITZ QUANTUM GRAVITY

### 4D example:

Einstein (covariant) gravity in ADM form:

$$S_{\text{ADM}} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \int dt d^3x \sqrt{h} N (K_{ij} K^{ij} - K^2 + R - 2\Lambda) \quad [\kappa] = -2$$

$$[\text{Diff}] \quad t \rightarrow t + \xi^0(t, x^i), \quad x^i \rightarrow x^i + \xi^i(t, x^i)$$

Horava-Lifshitz (anisotropic) gravity:  $t \rightarrow b^z t$ ,  $x^i \rightarrow b x^i$  **Power-counting renormalisable**

$$S_{\text{HL}} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \int dt d^3x \sqrt{h} N (K_{ij} K^{ij} - \lambda K^2 - \mathcal{V}[h_{ij}]) \quad [\kappa] = z - 3$$

$$[\text{Foliation preserving Diff}] \quad t \rightarrow t + \xi^0(t), \quad x^i \rightarrow x^i + \xi^i(t, x^i)$$

$$\mathcal{V}[h_{ij}] = \sigma + \zeta R + \alpha R^2 + \beta R^{ij} R_{ij} + \gamma R \Delta R + \dots$$

Higher spatial curvature invariants determined by “z”

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By sitting on the situation that

$$\Lambda > 0 \quad \lambda < 1$$

the classical dynamics of  $L(t)$  can be determined by the following action:

$$S = \int dt \left( \frac{\dot{L}^2}{4N(t)L(t)} - \tilde{\Lambda}N(t)L(t) \right), \quad \tilde{\Lambda} = \frac{\Lambda}{2(1-\lambda)}$$

Here we have the **physical** quantities:

proper time

$$t_p(t) := \int_0^t dt' N(t')$$

macroscopic loop

$$\& \quad L(t)$$

It's a legitimate question to ask for the following quantum amplitude:  
(after a rotation to Euclidean signature)

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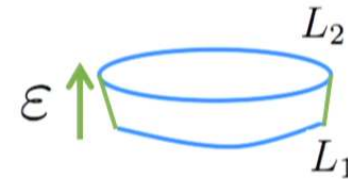
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Using the one-step propagator, we compute the following equation:

$$\int_0^\infty \left[ \frac{(L_1)^a dL_1}{A} \right] G(L_2, L_1; \varepsilon) \psi(L_1) = \psi(L_2) - \varepsilon(\hat{H}\psi)(L_2) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3/2}),$$

The left-hand side is

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{lhs}) &= \int_0^\infty \left[ \frac{(L_1)^a dL_1}{A} \right] \exp\left(-\frac{(L_2 - L_1)^2}{4\varepsilon L_2} - \varepsilon \tilde{\Lambda} L_2\right) \psi(L_1) \\ &= \frac{(L_2)^a \sqrt{\varepsilon L_2 \pi}}{A} \left[ \psi(L_2) - \varepsilon \left( -L_2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial L_2^2} - 2a \frac{\partial}{\partial L_2} - \frac{a(a-1)}{L_2} + \tilde{\Lambda} L_2 \right) \psi(L_2) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3/2}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

If we set the normalisation as  $A = (L_2)^a \sqrt{\varepsilon L_2 \pi}$ , we can read off the quantum Hamiltonian:

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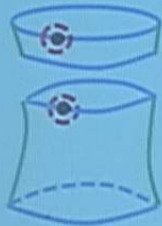
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From this, we find

$$a = 0 \leftrightarrow \underline{dL} \leftrightarrow \hat{H} = -L \frac{\partial^2}{\partial L^2} + \tilde{\Lambda} L \quad \text{CDT Hamiltonian w/ marked loop}$$



$$G(L_2, L_1; T_1 + T_2) = \int_0^\infty \underline{dL} G(L_2, L; T_2) G(L, L_1; T_1)$$

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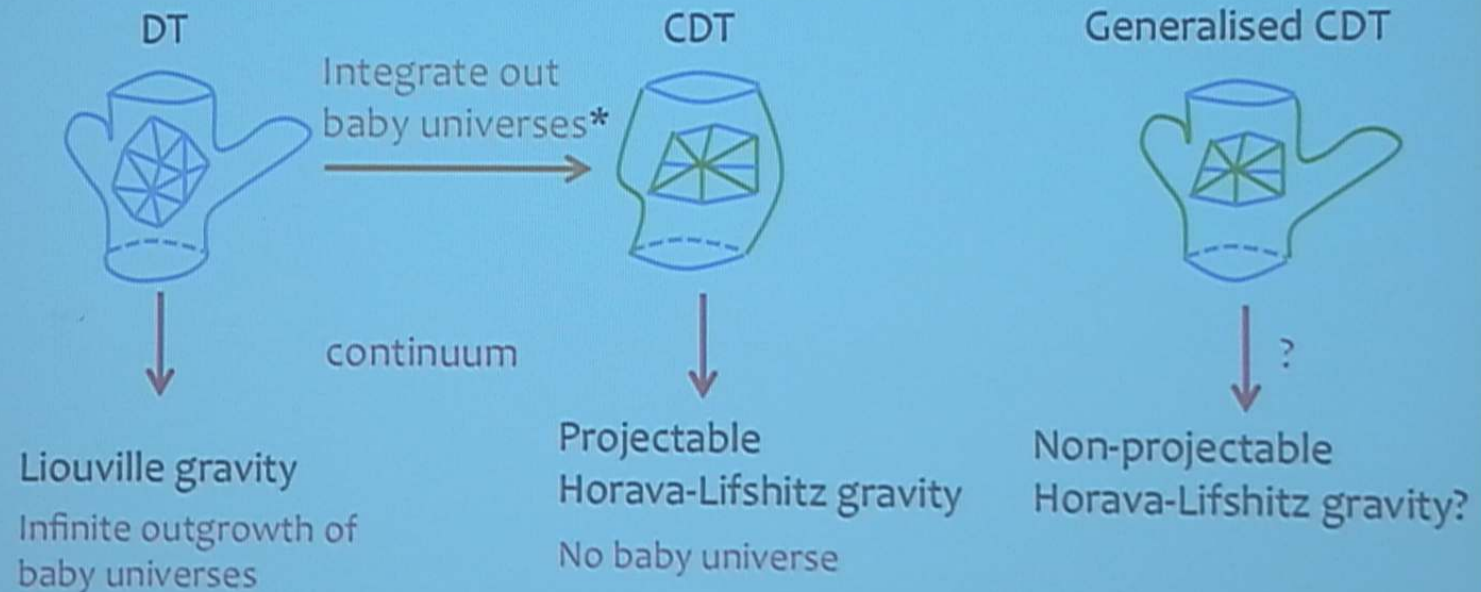
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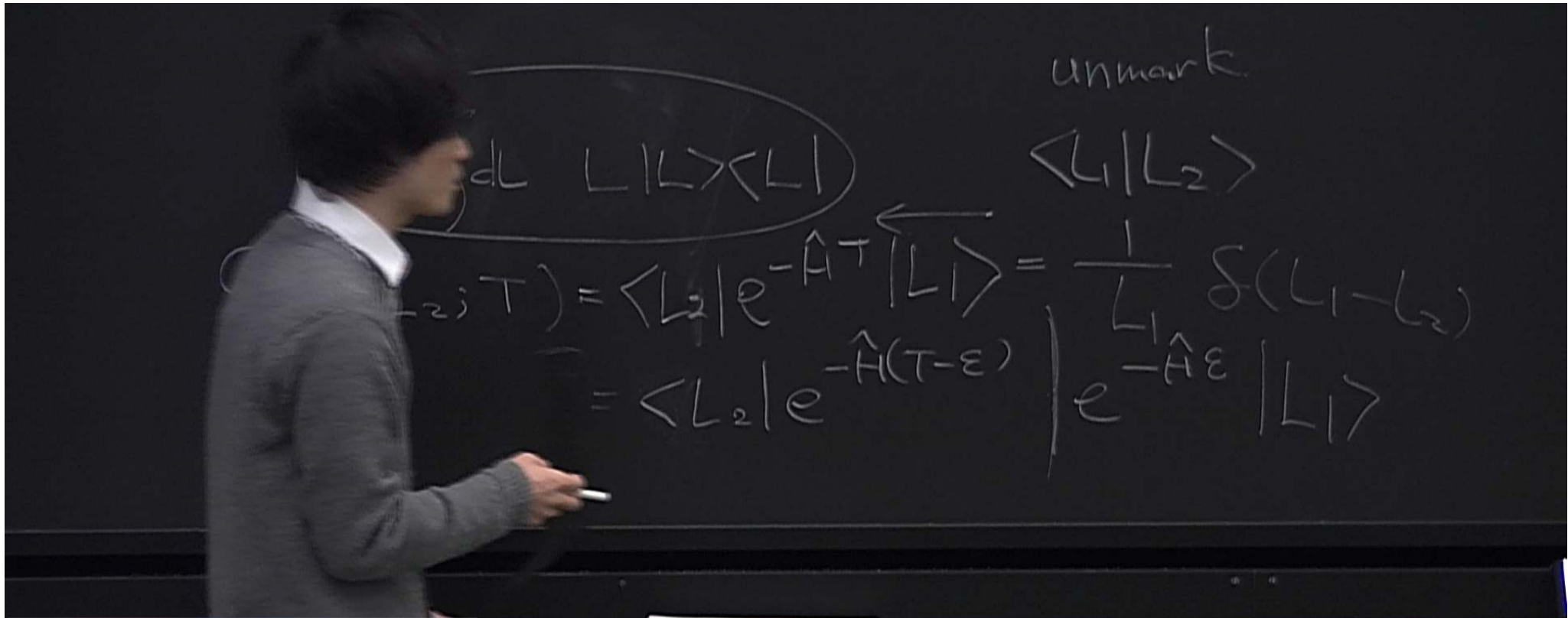
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$$1 = \int dL |L\rangle\langle L|$$

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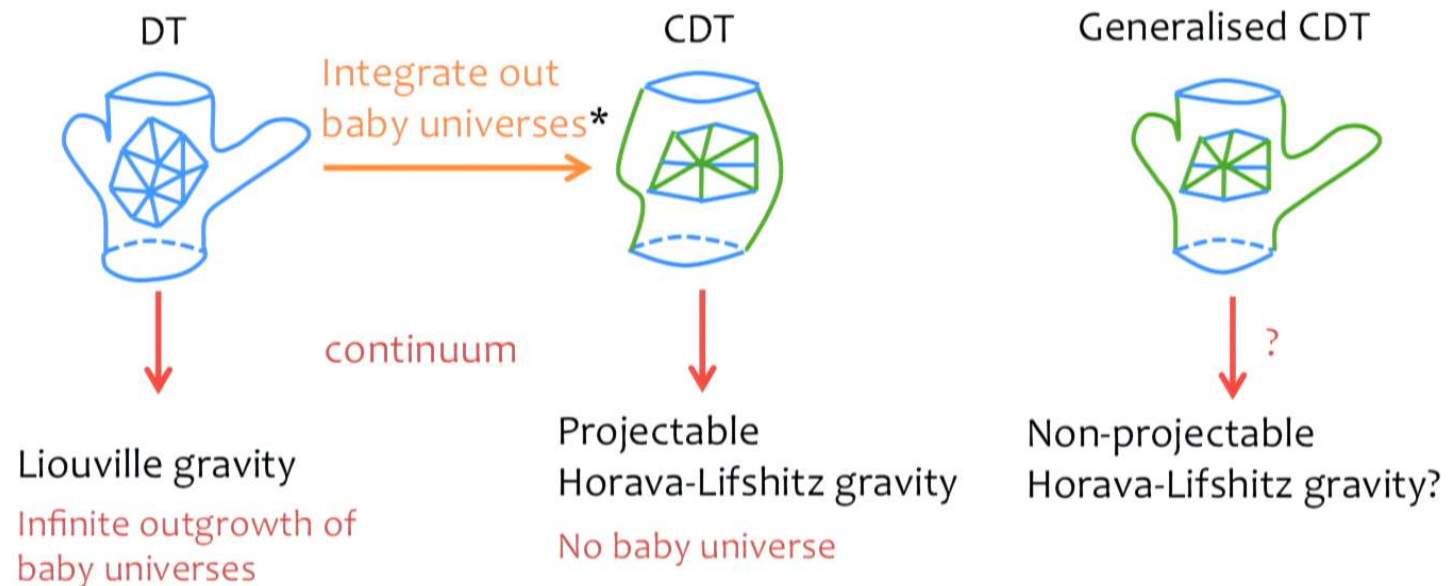
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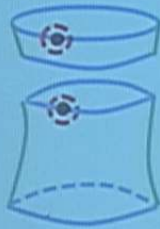
## 2. 2D HORAVA-LIFSHITZ QUANTUM GRAVITY

Quantum Hamiltonian:

$$\hat{H} = -L_2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial L_2^2} - 2a \frac{\partial}{\partial L_2} - \frac{a(a-1)}{L_2} + \tilde{\Lambda} L_2 \quad \tilde{\Lambda} = \frac{\Lambda}{2(1-\lambda)}$$

From this, we find

$$a = 0 \leftrightarrow \underline{dL} \leftrightarrow \hat{H} = -L \frac{\partial^2}{\partial L^2} + \tilde{\Lambda} L \longrightarrow \text{CDT Hamiltonian w/ a marked loop}$$



$$G(L_2, L_1; T_1 + T_2) = \int_0^\infty \underline{dL} G(L_2, L; T_2) G(L, L_1; T_1)$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{LdL} \leftrightarrow \hat{H} = -L \frac{\partial^2}{\partial L^2} - 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial L} + \tilde{\Lambda} L \longrightarrow \text{CDT Hamiltonian w/ unmarked loop}$$

$$G(L_2, L_1; T_1 + T_2) = \int_0^\infty \underline{dL} G(L_2, L; T_2) \underline{L} G(L, L_1; T_1)$$

