

Title: Quantum spacetime and deformed relativistic kinematics

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Abstract: In this seminar, I will consider a deformed kinematics that goes beyond special relativity as a way to account for possible low-energy effects of a quantum gravity theory that could lead to some experimental evidences. This can be done while keeping a relativity principle, an approach which is usually known as doubly (or deformed) special relativity. In this context, I will give a simple geometric interpretation of the deformed kinematics and explain how it can be related to a metric in maximally symmetric curved momentum space. Moreover, this metric can be extended to the whole phase space, leading to a notion of spacetime. Also, this geometrical formalism can be generalized in order to take into account a space-time curvature, leading to a momentum deformation of general relativity. I will explain theoretical aspects and possible phenomenological consequences of such deformation.



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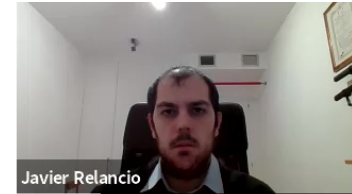
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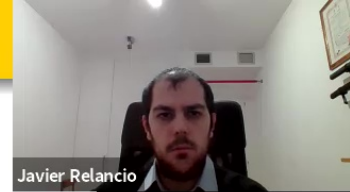
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Motivation



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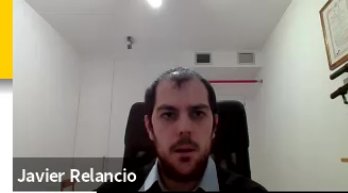
Space-time structure



- Any answer has to include matter and also the space-time structure → Gravity
- If fundamental constituents of matter exist, does the same happen for spacetime?
- Do space “atoms” exist?



QFT and GR: incompatibilities



- One of the challenges for present physics is the unification of GR and QFT \rightarrow QGT
- In QFT, one assumes a given spacetime and studies in detail the properties and motion of particles in it
- In GR, one assumes that the properties of matter and radiation are given and describes in detail the resultant spacetime (curvature)
- A QGT should be valid at any energy, but an interaction mediated by spin-2 particle (same equations of GR) is not renormalizable

Why do we need a QGT?



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- Study of the first moments of the universe
- Black holes: information, singularity?



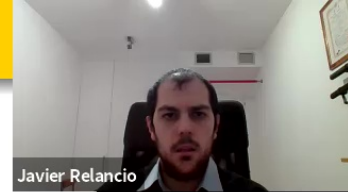
Quantum Gravity Theories




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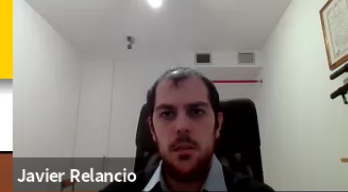
- Attempts of unification: string theory, quantum loop gravity, supergravity, causal set theory...
- In most of them a minimal length appears \Rightarrow Planck length (l_P)??
- This is closely related to an energy scale \Rightarrow Planck energy (Λ)??
- Problem: there are no experimental evidences of a fundamental QGT

Spacetime: the last frontier



- Classical spacetime \rightarrow “quantum” spacetime
- *Symmetries?* \rightarrow LI should be broken/deformed at Planckian scales
- New effects \rightarrow *Micro black holes creation?*
- Spacetime can be regarded as a “foam” 

Spacetime: the last frontier



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Towards a quantum gravity

- We can obtain l_P , t_P and M_P

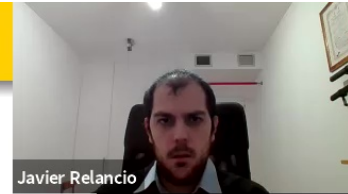
$$l_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}} = 1,6 \times 10^{-35} \text{ m}$$

$$t_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^5}} = 5,4 \times 10^{-44} \text{ s}$$

$$M_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{G}} = 2,2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ kg} = 1,2 \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

- New approach \rightarrow low energy limit of a QGT that could have experimental observations!
- No quantum or gravitational effects but

$$M_P = \lim_{\hbar, G \rightarrow 0} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{G}} \neq 0$$



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Lorentz invariance violation (LIV)



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- This possibility was first considered in 60's
- There is a loss of the relativity principle
- There is a privileged observer \rightarrow physical laws depending on the observer
- Formulated in the quantum field theory framework \rightarrow standard model extension (SME)

Doubly Special Relativity (DSR)

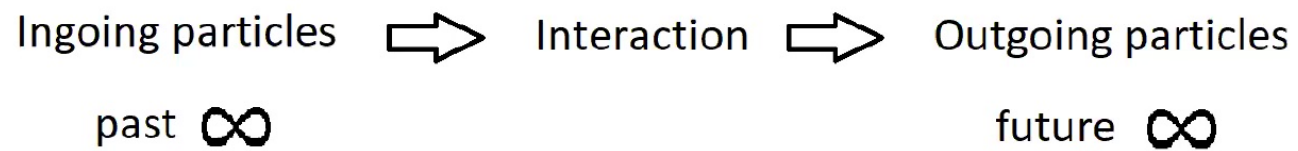
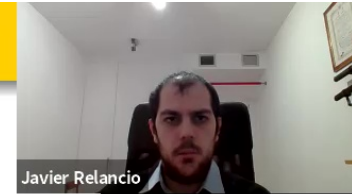


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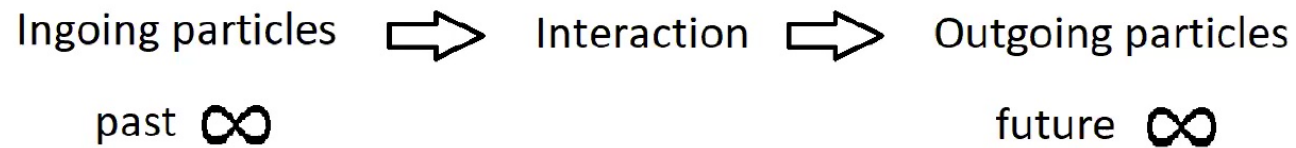
- There is a relativity principle
- Two invariants in every inertial frame: speed of light c and Planck length l_P



Kinematics

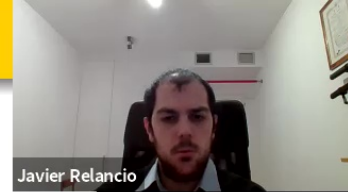


Kinematics



- Ingoing and outgoing particles movement is described by the dispersion relation
- In the interaction, the conservation of total momentum holds

Kinematics in SR



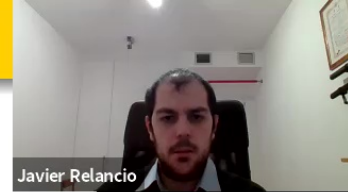
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- Dispersion relation

$$C(k) = k_0^2 - \vec{k}^2 = m^2$$



Kinematics in LIV

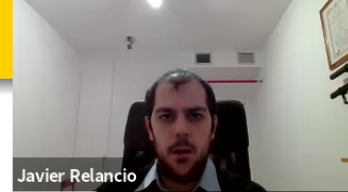


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- Dispersion relation

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

Kinematics in DSR



- Dispersion relation

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

- Conservation law

$$\text{Total momentum} = (p \oplus q) = p + q + \frac{pq}{\Lambda} + \dots$$

Kinematics in DSR



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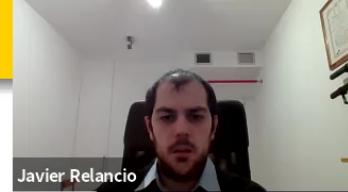
- Conservation law

$$\text{Total momentum} = (p \oplus q) = p + q + \frac{pq}{\Lambda} + \dots$$

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



Kinematics in DSR



- κ -Poincaré: very much studied model appearing in the context of Hopf algebras [Majid and Ruegg (1994)]
- Deformed dispersion relation (DDR)

$$C(k) = \Lambda^2 \left(e^{k_0/\Lambda} + e^{-k_0/\Lambda} - 2 \right) - e^{k_0/\Lambda} \vec{k}^2$$

- Deformed conservation law (DCL)

$$(p \oplus q)_0 = p_0 + q_0, \quad (p \oplus q)_i = p_i + q_i e^{-p_0/\Lambda}$$

Kinematical interpretation



- In SR c is the same for every observer, so

$$u = \frac{v + u'}{1 + vu'}$$

- In DSR c and Λ are the same for every observer, so

$$k_\mu = (p \oplus q)_\mu$$



Geometrical interpretation?



- Gravitational interaction can be described by a curved spacetime
- $SR \rightarrow GR \implies$ flat spacetime \rightarrow curved spacetime
- $SR \rightarrow DSR \implies$ flat momentum space \rightarrow curved momentum space?

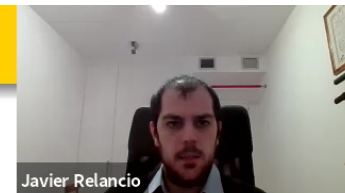
Geometry on momentum space?



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- First proposed by Born to avoid ultraviolet divergences in QFT
- Considered again in DSR framework [Amelino-Camelia et al. (2011)]
- **Problem** → not clear how to implement the relativity principle [Amelino-Camelia et al. (2011)]

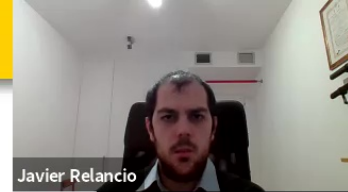
Our perspective [Carmona et al. (2019)]



- Dispersion relation \rightarrow Distance from the origin to k [Amelino-Camelia et al. (2011)]
- Translations, deformed “Lorentz” generators \rightarrow 10 isometries of the metric!!



SR momentum space



- Flat Minkowski metric $\eta^{\mu\nu}$
- Dispersion relation \rightarrow Square of the distance from the origin to k

$$C(k) = k^2 = m^2$$

- Conservation law \rightarrow 4 isometries of the metric corresponding to translations in momentum space forming a subgroup

$$q'_\mu = p_\mu + q_\mu$$

- Lorentz transformations \rightarrow 6 isometries of the metric forming a subgroup

Construction of kinematics

- Start by a tetrad of a momentum metric

$$g_{\mu\nu}(k) = \varphi_{\mu}^a(k) \eta_{ab} \varphi_{\nu}^b(k)$$

- Compute the Lorentz transformation using

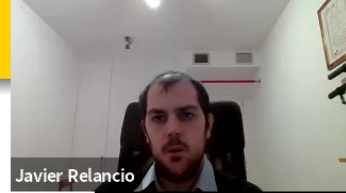
$$g_{\mu\nu}(k') = \frac{\partial k'_{\mu}}{\partial k_{\rho}} g_{\rho\sigma}(k) \frac{\partial k'_{\nu}}{\partial k_{\sigma}},$$

where

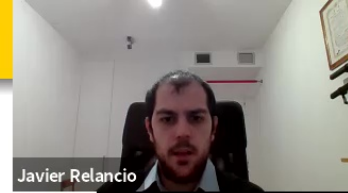
$$k'_{\mu} = k_{\mu} + \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{J}_{\mu}^{\alpha\beta},$$

- Compute the translations using

$$\varphi_{\mu}^a(p \oplus q) = \frac{\partial (p \oplus q)_{\mu}}{\partial q_{\nu}} \varphi_{\nu}^a(q)$$



Construction of kinematics



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- The previous equation is not satisfied for a generic tetrad → Which one should we take?
- A result of differential geometry shows that, in order to have a solution to

$$\varphi_{\mu}^a(p \oplus q) = \frac{\partial (p \oplus q)_{\mu}}{\partial q_{\nu}} \varphi_{\nu}^a(q)$$

the tetrad directional derivatives $\varphi_{\nu}^{\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial k_{\nu}}$ must close an algebra
→ Right choice

de Sitter momentum space

- Particular choice of the tetrad

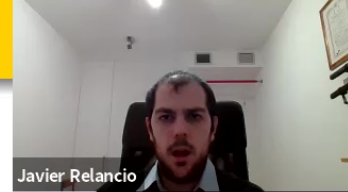
$$\varphi_0^0(k) = 1, \quad \varphi_j^i(k) = \delta_j^i e^{-\frac{k_0}{\Lambda}}$$

- One can see that

$$\left\{ \varphi_\rho^0 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\rho}, \varphi_\sigma^i \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\sigma} \right\} = \frac{1}{\Lambda} \varphi_\sigma^i \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\sigma}$$



de Sitter momentum space



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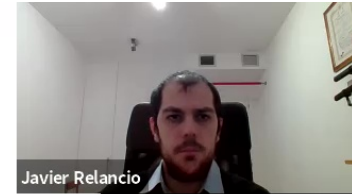
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- Using this tetrad one obtains **the same kinematics of κ -Poincaré in the bicrossproduct basis!!**
- **We have understood how DSR kinematics is obtained from a curved momentum space!!**

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Geometry in phase space



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- $SR \rightarrow GR \implies \text{flat spacetime} \rightarrow \text{curved spacetime}$
- $SR \rightarrow DSR \implies \text{flat momentum space} \rightarrow \text{curved momentum space!}$
- $GR \rightarrow DGR? \rightarrow \text{curved phase space?}$ 🖐️



Momentum in GR

- Trajectories in GR are described by geodesic equation
- Same result from Hamilton equations with a Casimir

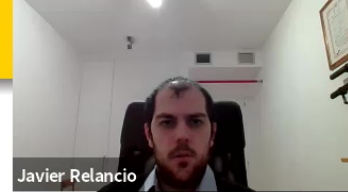
$$C(x, k) = k_\mu g^{\mu\nu}(x) k_\nu$$

- Relation between momentum and velocity in GR

$$k_\mu = g_{\mu\nu}(x) \dot{x}^\nu$$

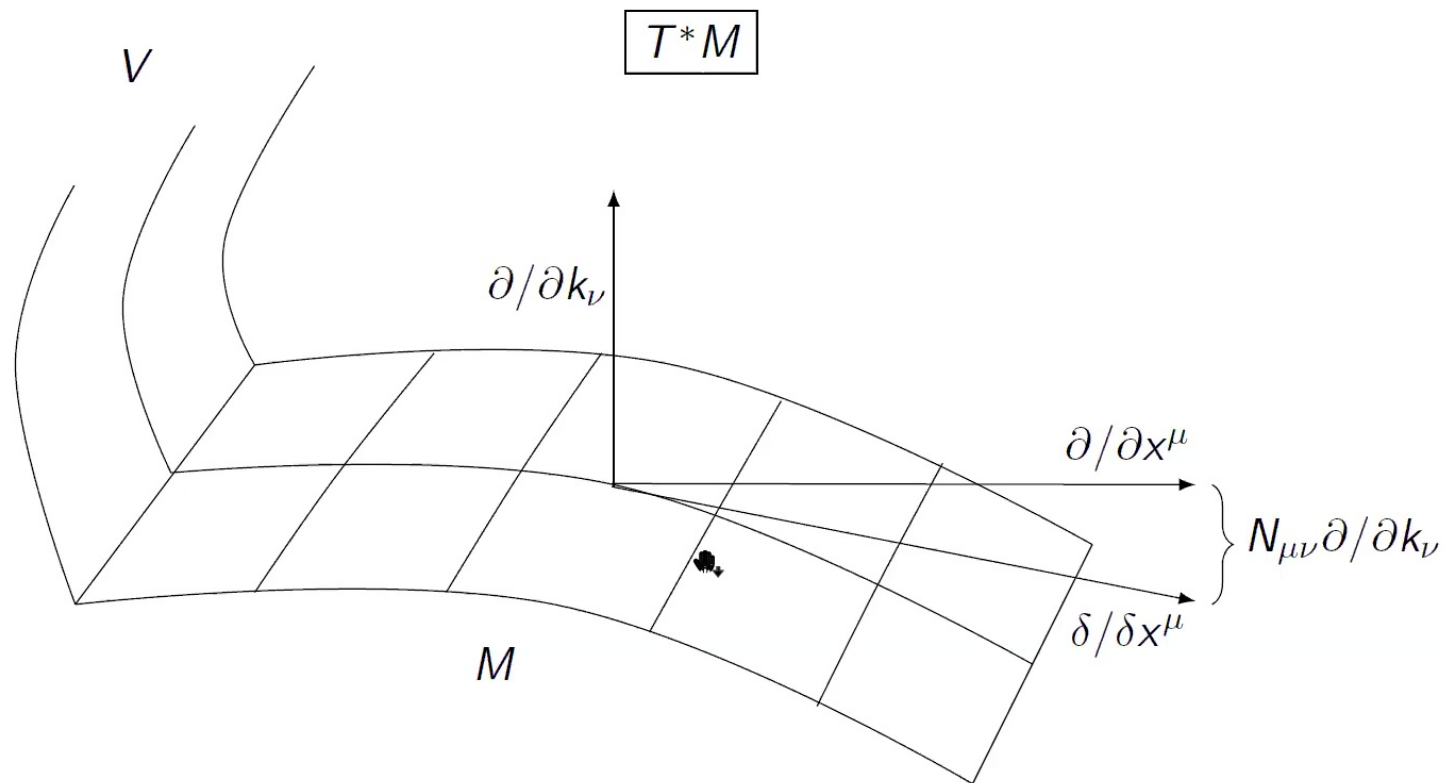
- Along geodesics the momentum changes

$$\dot{k}_\mu = k_\rho \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\rho(x) \dot{x}^\nu = N_{\mu\nu}(x, k) \dot{x}^\nu$$



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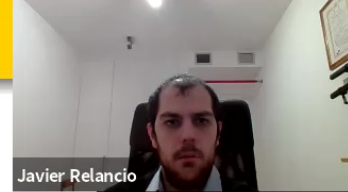
Cotangent bundle geometry in a nutshell



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Cotangent bundle geometry in a nutshell [Miron (2012)]



- The horizontal distribution is constructed by

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta x^\mu} \doteq \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} + N_{\nu\mu}(x, k) \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\nu}$$

- $N_{\nu\mu}(x, k)$ determined by symmetry and compatibility of affine connection with metric
- Line element in the cotangent bundle

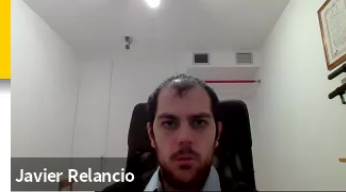
$$\mathcal{G} = g_{\mu\nu}(x, k) dx^\mu dx^\nu + g^{\mu\nu}(x, k) \delta k_\mu \delta k_\nu$$

where

$$\delta k_\mu = dk_\mu - N_{\nu\mu}(x, k) dx^\nu$$



Cotangent bundle geometry in a nutshell



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- Horizontal curves

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu}(x, k) dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

$$\frac{d^2 x^\mu}{d\tau^2} + H_{\nu\sigma}^\mu(x, k) \frac{dx^\nu}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\sigma}{d\tau} = 0, \quad \frac{\delta k_\lambda}{d\tau} = \frac{dk_\lambda}{d\tau} - N_{\sigma\lambda}(x, k) \frac{dx^\sigma}{d\tau} = 0$$

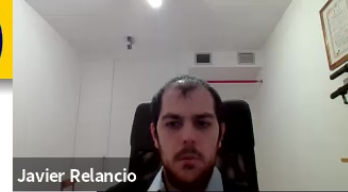
- Vertical curves

$$d\sigma^2 = g^{\mu\nu}(x, k) dk_\mu dk_\nu$$

$$x^\mu(\tau) = x_0^\mu, \quad \frac{d^2 k_\mu}{d\tau^2} + C_{\mu}^{\nu\sigma}(x_0, k) \frac{dk_\nu}{d\tau} \frac{dk_\sigma}{d\tau} = 0$$



Relationship metric-action [Relancio and Liberati (2020b)]



- Hamilton equations \Longleftrightarrow geodesic motion
- Distance is conserved along horizontal curves
- Which function represents the Casimir? \rightarrow Square of the distance

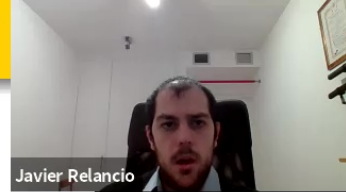
Relationship between metric and distance



- Simple way to relate metric and distance

$$D(0, k) = \frac{\partial D(0, k)}{\partial k_\mu} g_{\mu\nu}(k) \frac{\partial D(0, k)}{\partial k_\nu}$$

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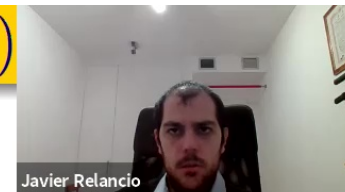
$$D(0, k) = \frac{\partial D(0, k)}{\partial k_\mu} g_{\mu\nu}(k) \frac{\partial D(0, k)}{\partial k_\nu}$$

- Then, the Casimir (square of the distance) satisfies

$$C(k) = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\partial C(k)}{\partial k_\mu} g_{\mu\nu}(k) \frac{\partial C(k)}{\partial k_\nu}$$



Construction of the metric [Relancio and Liberati (2020c)]



- Ansatz: including curvature on spacetime by
 $k_\mu \rightarrow \bar{k}_\mu = k_\alpha e_\mu^\alpha(x)$
- New Casimir \rightarrow squared distance from $(x, 0)$ to (x, k)

$$C(\bar{k}) = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\partial C(\bar{k})}{\partial \bar{k}_\alpha} g_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{k}) \frac{\partial C(\bar{k})}{\partial \bar{k}_\beta} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\partial C(\bar{k})}{\partial k_\mu} g_{\mu\nu}(x, k) \frac{\partial C(\bar{k})}{\partial k_\nu}$$

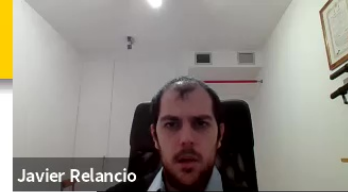
with metric

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x, k) = \Phi_\mu^\alpha(x, k) \eta_{\alpha\beta} \Phi_\nu^\beta(x, k)$$

where

$$\Phi_\mu^\alpha(x, k) = e_\mu^\lambda(x) \varphi_\lambda^\alpha(\bar{k})$$

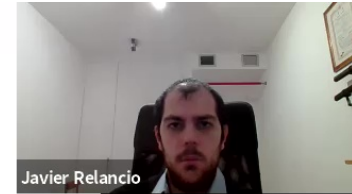
Properties of the metric



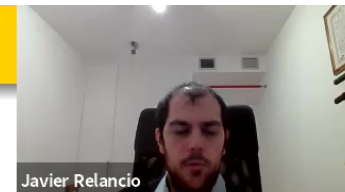
- Invariant under spacetime diffeomorphisms
- Also, if the starting momentum space is maximally symmetric we can define:
 - Modified translations
 - Modified Lorentz transformations
 - Modified dispersion relation



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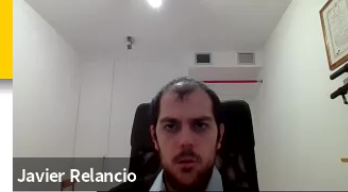
Quantum Gravity Phenomenology



- Planck energy $\rightarrow 10^{19}$ GeV
- Particle accelerators $\rightarrow 1.3 \times 10^4$ GeV
- Cosmic rays $\rightarrow 10^{11}$ GeV
- Phenomenology? \rightarrow Amplifications at low energies



LIV vs DSR phenomenology



Theory	Deviation to SR threshold	Energy
LIV	$\frac{m^2}{E^2} \frac{E}{\Lambda}$	$E^3 \sim \Lambda m^2$
DSR	$\frac{m^2}{E^2} \frac{m^2}{E\Lambda}$	$E \sim \Lambda$

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DSR only observable through time delays!

Time delay in flat spacetime [Relancio and Liberati (2020)]

- We use this de Sitter metric

$$g_{00}(k) = 1, \quad g_{0i}(k) = 0, \quad g_{ij}(k) = \eta_{ij} e^{-2k_0/\Lambda}$$

- The line element is

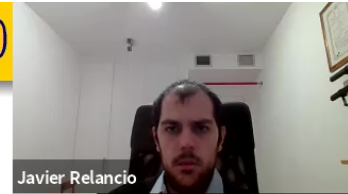
$$ds^2 = dt^2 - dx^2 e^{-2k_0/\Lambda}$$

- The line element for photons with different energies is

$$ds^2 = dt^2 - dr^2 = dt^2 - dx_l^2 = dt^2 - dx_h^2 e^{-2k_0/\Lambda} = 0$$

being

$$r = x_l = x_h e^{-k_0/\Lambda}$$



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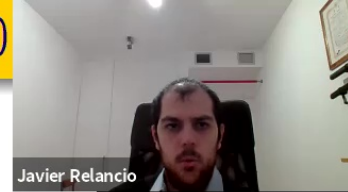
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- Absence of time delays!!



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Synchrotron radiation [Relancio and Liberati (2020a)]

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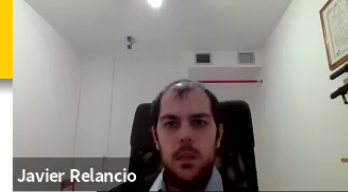
- Critical frequency of synchrotron radiation

$$\omega_c = \frac{3Bek_0^2}{2m^3} \left(1 - \frac{2k_0}{\Lambda}\right)$$

- We find a maximum frequency

$$\omega_c^{\max} = \frac{Be\Lambda^2}{18m^3}$$

- Constraint on the scale: $\Lambda > 7,8 \times 10^3 \text{ TeV}$



Phenomenology in an expanding universe [Relancio and Liberati (2020a)]



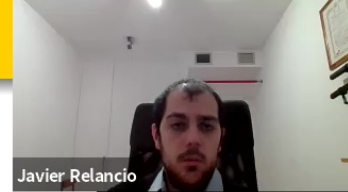
- We use the metric

$$g_{00}(x, k) = 1, \quad g_{0i}(x, k) = 0, \quad g_{ij}(x, k) = \eta_{ij} R^2(x^0) e^{\mp 2k_0/\Lambda}$$

- Absence of time delays!!
- Redshift \rightarrow From AGN $\Lambda > 49$ keV
- Luminosity distance \rightarrow From GW170817 $\Lambda > 8$ keV
- No stronger constraints



Schwarzschild black hole [Relancio and Liberati (2020c)]

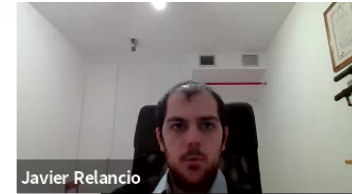


- Horizon independent of energy
- Surface gravity

$$\kappa_{\text{peeling}} = \frac{e^{k_0/\Lambda}}{4M}$$



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Einstein equations [Relancio and Liberati (2020b)]

- Geodesic deviation \longleftrightarrow commutator of two covariant derivatives
- Riemann tensor

$$R^\mu_{\nu\rho\sigma}(x, k) = \frac{\delta H^\mu_{\nu\rho}(x, k)}{\delta x^\sigma} - \frac{\delta H^\mu_{\nu\sigma}(x, k)}{\delta x^\rho} + H^\lambda_{\nu\rho}(x, k)H^\mu_{\lambda\sigma}(x, k) - H^\lambda_{\nu\sigma}(x, k)H^\mu_{\lambda\rho}(x, k)$$

- Einstein tensor [Miron (2012)] and Einstein equations

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Einstein equations [Relancio and Liberati (2020b)]



- Geodesic deviation \longleftrightarrow commutator of two covariant derivatives
- Riemann tensor

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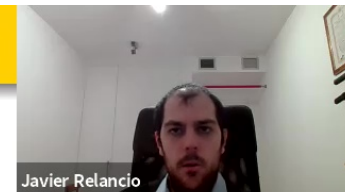
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- From its conservation

$$G^{\mu\nu}(x, k)_{;\mu} = 0$$

selects one basis!!





- Physical momentum metric

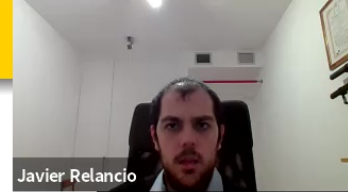
$$g_{\mu\nu}(k) = \eta_{\mu\nu} \left(1 - \frac{k_0^2 - \vec{k}^2}{4\Lambda^2} \right)^2$$

- The Casimir is a function of k^2

$$\mathcal{C}(k) = 4\Lambda^2 \operatorname{arccoth}^2 \left(\frac{2\Lambda}{\sqrt{k_0^2 - \vec{k}^2}} \right)$$

- Einstein tensor independent on momentum!

Friedmann equations [Relancio and Liberati (2020b)]

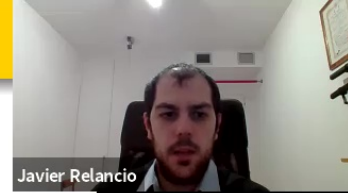


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- Expanding universe \rightarrow energy momentum tensor of a perfect fluid
- Usual Friedmann equations
- Consistent with conservation of energy-momentum tensor
- Consistent Raychaudhuri equation



Conclusions: curved momentum space



- We have developed a geometrical interpretation of a relativistic deformed kinematics
- We obtain the κ -Poincaré kinematics from a de Sitter momentum space
- Other possible kinematics can be obtained through this framework and also for anti de Sitter

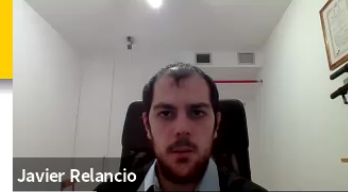


Conclusions: phase space geometry



- We have proposed a simple way to include both space-time and momentum curvature \rightarrow geometry in phase space
- Hamilton equations \iff geodesic motion
- Distance is conserved along horizontal curves

Conclusions: phenomenological results



- Synchrotron radiation $\Lambda \geq 1$ PeV
- Universe expanding
 - Absence of time delays
 - Luminosity distance and redshift $\Lambda \geq 100$ keV
- Schwarzschild black hole
 - Same horizon \rightarrow different from LIV scenario
 - Surface gravity \rightarrow energy dependent Hawking temperature?
- New phenomenology in high-energy particle and astroparticle physics

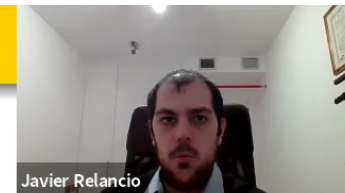
Conclusions: choice of momentum variables



- Conservation of Einstein tensor \rightarrow privileged momentum basis
- Properties
 - Einstein tensor is momentum independent
 - Also compatible with Raychaudhuri's equation

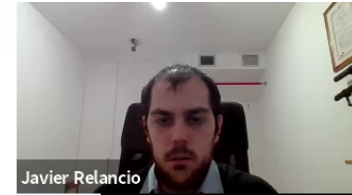


Outlook and future prospects



- New phenomenological implications from our model → Stronger constraints?
- Formal developments → Consistency checks
- Multiparticle system → Time delays?





Thanks for your attention!!!

