

Title: A Generalized Hartle-Hawking State

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Abstract: The Hartle-Hawking-Vilenkin state is defined on mini-superspace and is semiclassically related to inflationary theory. However, the state suffers a few problems connected to the path integral of Euclidean or the Lorentzian measure of metrics. In this talk, we will explore a way around these issues by working in the (Ashtekar) connection representation, a real Kodama-Chern-Simons state. We find a generalized "Fourier Transform" that related the Chern-Simons-Kodama state to the Hartle-Hawking state beyond mini-superspace. We end with some discussion and open ended questions for cosmology and quantum gravity.

The Generalized Hartle-Hawking State

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Quantum Cosmology

- The paradigm of cosmic inflation relies on a quantum origin of cosmic structure.
- The wavefunction of universe is a framework to realize a quantum early universe beyond perturbation theory.
- But can we go beyond mini-superspace?

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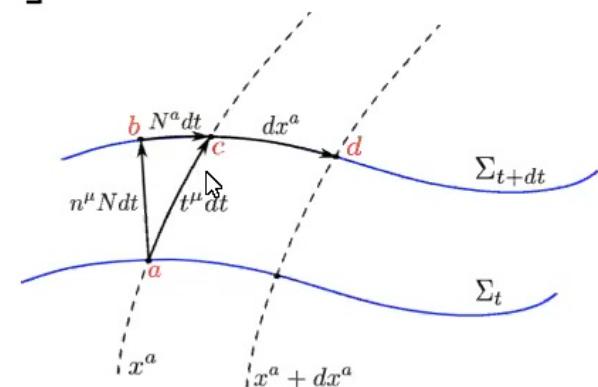
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Review : Wavefunction of the Universe

$$S = \frac{m_p^2}{16\pi} \left[\int_{\mathcal{M}} d^4x \sqrt{-g} (R - 2\Lambda) + 2 \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} d^3x \sqrt{h} K \right] + S_m$$

$$S = \int d^3x dt \left[\dot{h}_{ij} \pi^{ij} + \dot{\Phi} \pi_\Phi - N \mathcal{H} - N^i \mathcal{H}_i \right]$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{16\pi}{m_p^2} G_{ijkl} \pi^{ij} \pi^{kl} - \frac{m_p^2}{16\pi} \sqrt{h} ({}^3R - 2\Lambda) + \mathcal{H}_m$$



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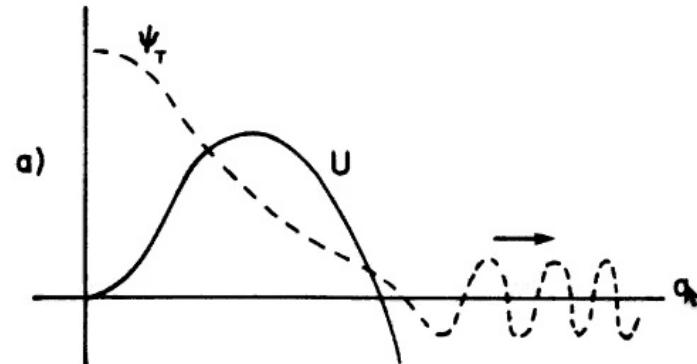
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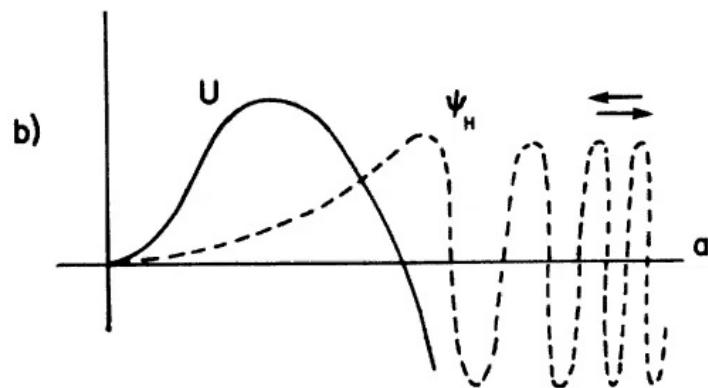
Wavefunction and Boundary Conditions



$$\psi_{\pm}^{(1)}(a) = \exp \left(\pm i \int_{H^{-1}}^a p(a') da' \mp \frac{i\pi}{4} \right)$$

and the underbarrier ($a < H^{-1}$) solutions are

$$\psi_{\pm}^{(2)}(a) = \exp \left(\pm \int_a^{H^{-1}} |p(a')| da' \right),$$



$$\text{where } p(a) \equiv [-U(a)]^{1/2}$$

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- We Propose a “Fourier Transformed” Kodama-Chern-State

$$\psi_E = \prod_{\vec{x}, a, i} \int \frac{d[\Im(A_a^i(\vec{x}))]}{\sqrt{2\pi l_P^2}} e^{-\frac{i}{l_P^2} E_i^a(\vec{x}) \Im A_a^i(\vec{x})} \psi_A$$

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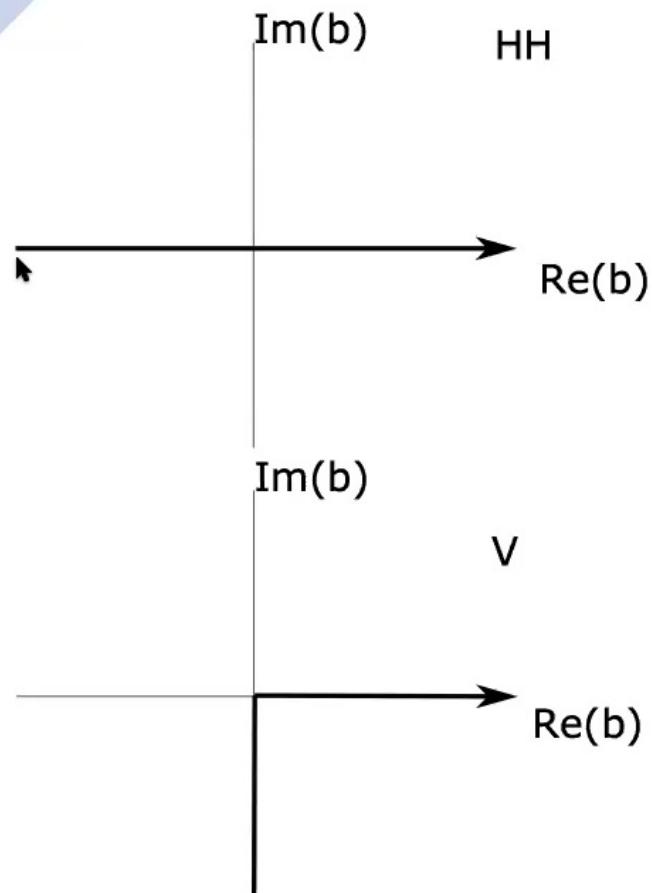
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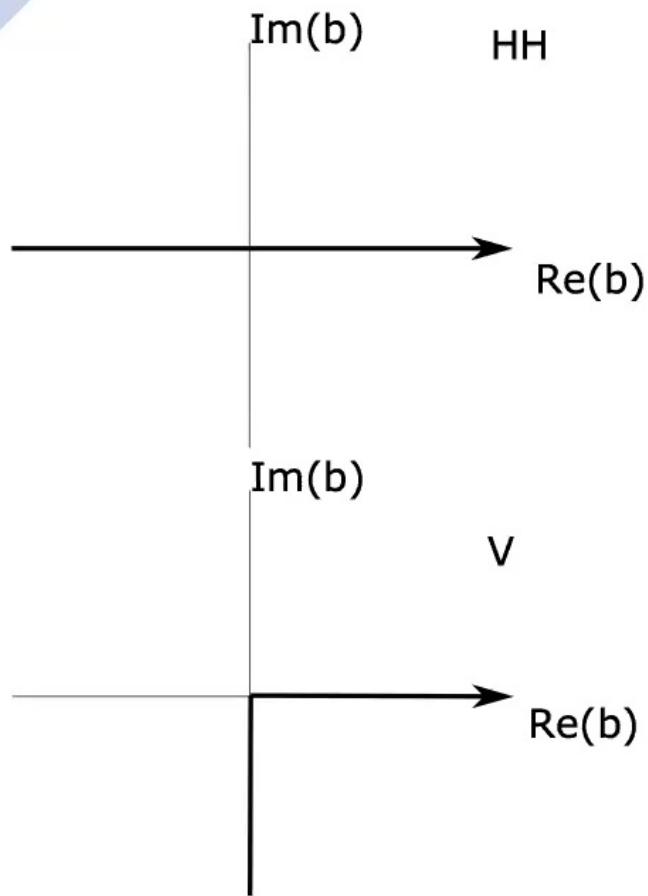
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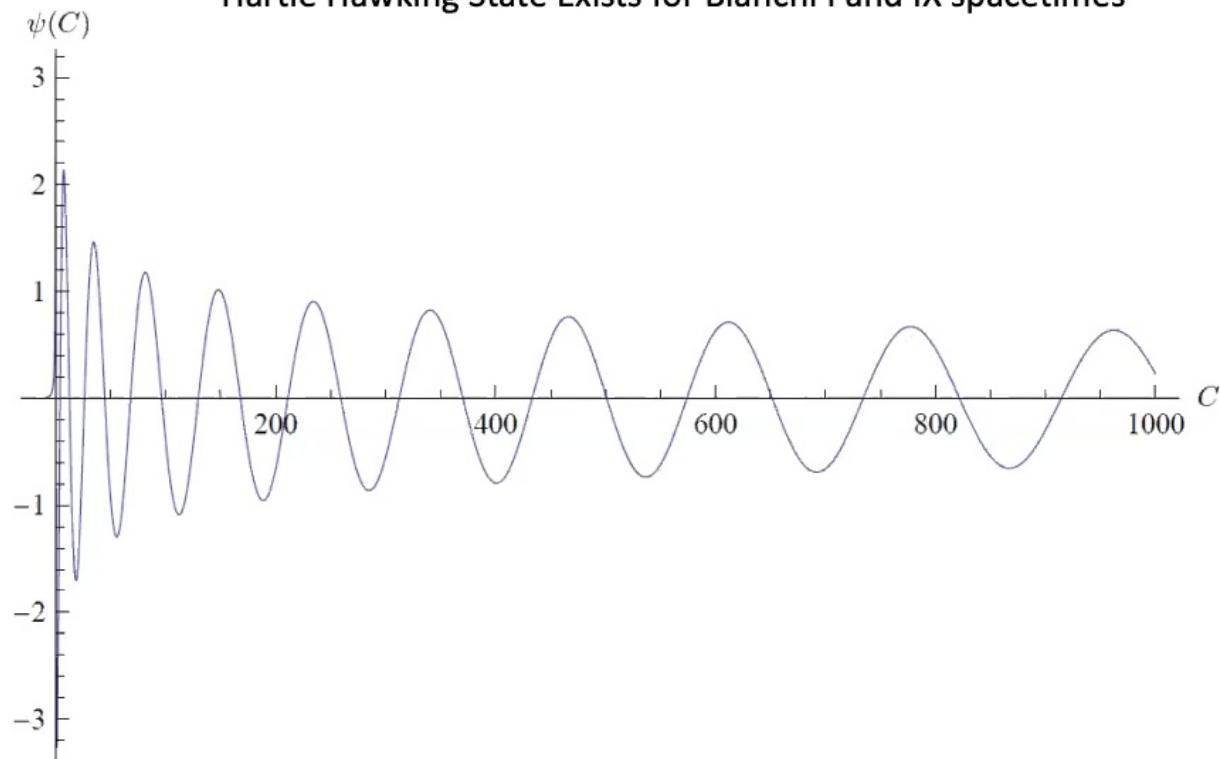
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$$\psi = \mathcal{N} \frac{\Lambda}{3l_P} \sqrt{\frac{V_c}{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{|x|} e^{-i(x+C/x)}$$

Hartle Hawking State Exists for Bianchi I and IX spacetimes



Observation

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