Towards a Non-Perturbative Quantum Gravity

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Abstract

We have developed a mathematically coherent theory addressing a number of open questions concerning Loop Quantum Gravity. Our approach develops a discrete space-time and shows that macroscopic space-time is a renormalization limiting form. Weaving together a number of our previous results we then prove that quantum states invariant under either an external group of local diffeomorphisms of space-time or, by contrast, quantum states invariant under the internal action of a compact Lie group are ‘common’, in a well-defined sense. These form the building blocks of invariant fields and Lagrangians. A form of $N=1$ Supersymmetry and noncumulative space – time naturally emerges, which predicts a spin-2 massless graviton and its companion graviton.

Spinors and Spin Networks

A left-handed Weyl 2-spinor is an element of a 2-dimensional vector space $F$ with a basis of Clifford variables denoted $\psi_A (A=1,2)$. Given such a 2-spinor $\psi_A$, the 2 x 2 matrix $M$ acting on $\psi_A$ gives rise to another 2-spinor $\psi' = M^\gamma \psi_A$, summing over repeated indices.

Left- and right-handed Weyl spinors are related as follows;

$$\psi_A \in F \implies \psi'_A = \bar{\gamma} A \in \bar{F}$$

The representations $M \rightarrow M$ and $M \rightarrow (M^\gamma)^T$ have the same dimensionality and are therefore unitarily equivalent; there is a unitary matrix $AB \in F^*$ such that for all $M$,

$$\epsilon = M \epsilon = (M^\gamma)^T \text{ where } \epsilon = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{.}$$

Defining $\epsilon^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ we have $\epsilon^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

The matrices $\epsilon$ and $\epsilon^{-1}$ are tensor objects which can be used to raise and lower indices in the usual vector and tensor calculus, within which left-handed ‘chiral’ Weyl 2-spinors are covariant vectors, and right-handed chiral Weyl 2-spinors are contravariant vectors. Denoting the dual space as $F^*$.

The following calculation illustrates this ‘spinor calculus’ for $\psi \in F^*$ and $\epsilon \in F$:

$$\psi = \psi^A \epsilon^A B \chi = \epsilon^0 \psi^1 \chi^1 + \epsilon^1 \psi^2 \chi^2 \text{.}$$

We also define the matrix $\tau$ such that the representations $M \rightarrow M$ and $M \rightarrow (M^\gamma)^T$ are equivalent, so that $\tau^{-1} M \tau = (M^\gamma)^T$ for all $M$.

We now consider in this Weyl 2-spinor context the Dirac 4x4 spin matrix representation;

$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma \end{pmatrix}$$

Where $\sigma = (\mu = 0,1,2,3)$ are Pauli 2 x 2 spin matrices.

In this representation, we can show directly that $\epsilon_{\gamma} \gamma^\gamma \gamma^\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} -I_{2 \times 2} & 0 \\ 0 & I_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix}$

where $I_{2 \times 2}$ is the 2 x 2 identity matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

This Dirac spin operator representation acts on a 4-dimensional vector space. Each element of this vector space suitably normalized, is a quantum ket state $|\psi >; a$ pure state. Defining $\gamma^\gamma$ to be the composite matrix operator $i\gamma^\gamma \gamma^\gamma \gamma^\gamma$, we can write this state $|\psi >$ in the form

$$|\psi > = \frac{1}{2} (I_{4 \times 4} - \gamma^3) |\psi > + \frac{1}{2} (I_{4 \times 4} + \gamma^3) |\psi > .. \text{.}$$

These correspond to the left handed and right handed 2-spinor components of the state;

$$\psi_L = \frac{1}{2} (I_{4 \times 4} - \gamma^3) \psi \text{ and } \psi_R = \frac{1}{2} (I_{4 \times 4} + \gamma^3) \psi .. \text{.}$$

So that $\psi = \psi_L + \psi_R$.

Now we know that $\langle I_{4 \times 4} - \gamma^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -I_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{.}$$

Similarly $I_{4 \times 4} - \gamma^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2I_{2 \times 2} \\ 2I_{2 \times 2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Thus, the four vector $\psi_L$ has only two non-zero elements (the first two) and is of the form $\psi_L = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, similarly, four vector $\psi_R$ has only two non-zero elements (the last two) and is defined as $\psi_R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \psi_3 \\ \psi_4 \end{pmatrix}$.

These then correspond to the left handed chiral Weyl 2-spinor $\begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and the right handed Weyl 2-spinor $\begin{pmatrix} \psi_3 \\ \psi_4 \end{pmatrix}$ which is an element of the vector space $E = F \oplus F^*$.

Assuming planar isotropy, it is possible to associate various locally deformable lines in the plane with Weyl spinor calculations, giving rise to topological structures called spin networks. As a simple example the tensors $\tau = \epsilon^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\tau^{-1} = \epsilon^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ correspond as in Figure 1;
Their product is then a closed loop which corresponds to a scalar $\lambda$ times the identity matrix with $\lambda=1$ in this case. The advantage of this approach is that spinor calculations become a sequence of potentially simpler topological transformations with connections to knot theory.

**Computational Spin Networks**

Building on these ideas, we define a computational spin network to be a finite quiver consisting of a directed graph with $n$ nodes, where the nodes represent entangled spin inputs and a directed link between two nodes corresponds to a quantum gate, as we now discuss.

If we represent the basis spin $\pm 1/2$ eigenvectors as the column vectors $|0\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $|1\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ then the NOT quantum gate which switches $|0\rangle$ to $|1\rangle$ and $|1\rangle$ to $|0\rangle$ corresponds to the unitary matrix $U = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. It is easy to check that $U|0\rangle = |1\rangle$ and $U|1\rangle = |0\rangle$. All quantum gates correspond in this way to multiplying the input state vector by a unitary matrix.

To ease notational clutter, in all that follows we denote the joint tensor product state of the spins $|x\rangle$ and $|y\rangle$ as $|xy\rangle$.

**Discrete Paths in Space-Time**

We start by considering classical phase space. Given a dynamical system, entropy is defined through considering the phase space of the system. The emergent behaviour of this classical system gives rise to regions of phase space, each corresponding to similar macro-level behaviour. The entropy of such a coarse-grained region is a measure of all the different micro configurations constituting that region. A system starting in a low entropy state will tend to wander into larger coarse-grained volumes; hence thermodynamic entropy tends to increase over time if the system is isolated, giving rise to the second law of thermodynamics. The structure of classical phase space is such that each set of initial conditions $(x_0, p_0)$ $m$ generates a unique solution $\Sigma(x_0, p_0)$ $m$. For a Hamiltonian system it is possible to reformulate classical mechanics as a symplectic vector space of solutions, or an equivalent set of initial conditions of location and momentum, equipped with a bilinear form $\omega$ which ultimately derives from Hamilton’s equations of motion.

With $\Xi(x,p)$ a dimensional vector we have

$$\omega^{(x,p)} = \omega_{\alpha\beta} \Xi^{(x,p)}$$

Where $\omega^{(x,p)}$ is the component vector.

This is of the form of a symplectic vector space $V \oplus V^*$ where $V$ is a real finite vector space with dual $V^*$. The skew-symmetric rank 2 tensor $\Omega$ then takes the general form:

$$\Omega(x + \eta, x' + \eta') = \eta' \cdot x - \eta \cdot x'$$

In our case $V$ is the configuration space, $V^*$ the (dual) momentum space and $V \oplus V^*$ the phase space, a real vector bundle over $V$ with fibre $V^*$. By choosing values such as $(1,0,0,0,0)$ we can pull out elements.
\( \Omega(x \oplus y, 0 \oplus y') = \eta^I x - \eta^I' y'. \)

The Dirac canonical quantisation of elements of phase space such as \( \eta^I \) is equivalent to the canonical quantisation; \( \Omega \rightarrow \Omega \) as a (not necessarily bounded) linear operator, and this form of canonical quantisation extends smoothly to countably infinite phase space [1].

Given the canonical quantisation; \( \Omega \rightarrow \Omega \) we can form the Weyl unitaries \( \Omega \rightarrow \Omega \). Then closure of linear combinations of these Unitarics and their adjoints in the normed operator topology is the Weyl Algebra.

The extension of \( \Omega \) to the space of solutions allows us to define an inner product on \( S \) as \( \langle \Omega \rangle = -\Omega \{ S(1)^*, S(2) \} \) where \( S(1)^* \) is the complex conjugate solution. It turns out [1] that this defines an inner product on \( S \) relative to which a one particle Hilbert space can be defined. For a quantum system of bosonic harmonic oscillators, we can assume, to the single fibre of a principal fibre bundle. A gauge group of automorphisms corresponding to the translation subgroup \( T \) of the Poincare group acts on each fibre algebra locally, while a section through this bundle is then a quantum field of the form \( A(x); \ x \in \mathbb{M} \) with \( \mathbb{M} \) the renormalisation limit macroscopic space-time manifold to be constructed in the next section. In addition, we assume a local algebra \( O(D) \) corresponding to the algebra of sections of such a principal fibre bundle with base space a finite and bounded subset of space-time, \( \mathbb{D} \). The algebraic operations of addition and multiplication are assumed defined fibre wise for this algebra of sections. Now let there be given a continuous local group homomorphism from a neighbourhood \( V \) of the identity of \( T \) to the neighbourhood \( W \) of the identity of the set of observables in \( O(D) \) as a Weyl representation of the CCR. Then the discrete classical path \( CP \) in space-time can be lifted to a quantum field section \( QP \) through \( O(D) \). This we proved in reference [2]; we also proved that the path \( QP \) is uniquely determined, and that there is a projection \( \pi \) from the fibre bundle \( O(D) \) mapping the quantum field back to the path \( CP \).

Renormalisation of Discrete Paths in Space-Time

The principle of relativity is captured within the assumptions of the Riemannian geometry of 4-manifolds, where formulae equating a tensor expression to zero remain invariant under local diffeomorphism transformations. It is a natural extension of these ideas to additionally postulate that the scales of measurement inscribed on the clocks or measuring rods used by an observer should also not be absolute. Mathematically this can be captured by the additional requirement that the tensor formulae should be invariant under transformations of scale. From this perspective a relativistic quantum system is a scale free system. If \( \Phi \) is the function transforming system inputs to system outputs, then for a scale-free system, \( \Phi \) is invariant under a change of scale.

Under the assumptions of such a scale-invariant relativity, let us consider a discrete closed loop in space-time; corresponding to two discrete non-oriented paths sharing the same end points. Then it turns out [2] that this loop is renormalisable and has a finite limit corresponding to the curve fractal dimension as a curve in macroscopic space-time.

Quantum States Invariant Under the Action of Local Space-Time Diffeomorphisms

Gravity states, the graviton and supersymmetric graviton

We now investigate in more depth the subgroup \( T \) of the Weyl algebra. It can be easily extended to 4 dimensions by replacing \( x \) by the 3-vector \( x=(x, \cdot, x, \cdot) \).

A discrete path in space-time, as we have so far generated it, can be considered as a set of linked causally directed intervals each of fractal dimension 1 in renormalized smooth space-time. More formally, we define the path as a series of \( n \) linked increments \( a(j) \) with varying direction relative to a local forward light cone, such that the path begins at \( x(0) \) and ends at \( x(1) \), with \( T(a(j)) = x \rightarrow x + a(j) \) elements of the translation subgroup \( T \). The total path is then generated by the product

\[ \prod_{j=1}^{n} T(a(j))x(0) \]

with the final end point \( x(1) = x(0) + \sum_{j=1}^{n} a(j) \). For a fixed initial point \( x(0) \) we can identify this path with the finite group product

\[ \prod_{j=1}^{n} T(a(j)) \in T \]

We can now construct a space-time, assumed non-commutative at some energy level such as the Planck regime, with non-commutative algebraic structure at each event point \( x \) of space-time, forming the fibre algebra \( A(x) \). This structure then corresponds, to give a continuous local group homomorphism from a neighbourhood \( V \) of the identity of \( T \) to the neighbourhood \( W \) of the identity of the set of observables in \( O(D) \) as a Weyl representation of the CCR. Then a discrete classical path \( CP \) in space-time can be lifted to a quantum field section \( QP \) through \( O(D) \). This we proved in reference [2]; we also proved that the path \( QP \) is uniquely determined, and that there is a projection \( \pi \) from the fibre bundle \( O(D) \) mapping the quantum field back to the path \( CP \).

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Poincare group consisting of translations of macroscopic space-time as a gauge group of automorphisms. We define a representation of $T$ as a group of automorphisms of a local fibre algebra $A(x)$ which we assume to be isomorphic to a von Neumann algebra with trivial centre acting on a separable Hilbert space, rooted at the event point $x$. Consider then the subgroup $T$ acting on $A(x)$. These actions generate the local diffeomorphisms of General Relativity. If we make the minimal assumption that this representation is weakly measurable; i.e. the mapping: is Haarmesurable for all relevant values of $A, x$ and $y$; then the argument [3] shows that the mapping $g \mapsto \sigma_g$ is norm continuous. Since the translational group is both abelian and connected, it follows [4] that each $\sigma_g$ is an inner automorphism of $A$ and the corresponding unitary $W_g$ has a spectrum contained in the positive half plane. In fact, we have;

$$\sigma(W_g) \subseteq \{ z; \text{Re} z \geq \beta_g \}$$  and $\beta_g = \frac{1}{2} \left( 4 - \sqrt{4 - 4\|\alpha_g - I\|} \right)^{1/2}$.

Moreover, if $S$ denotes the von Neumann subalgebra generated by $\{ W_g; g \in T \}$, then the set of unitaries $\{ W_g; g \in T \}$ is a commuting set within $A(x)$. Thus, $S$ is a commutative sub algebra and contains the identity $I$ of $A(x)$, since if $id$ is the group identity then $id = W_{id}(A(x))$ is a factor, $S$ thus contains the centre $Z$ of $A(x)$. Such a commutative quantum operator algebra is equivalent to the set of continuous functions on a compact space and this equivalence arises through the Gelfand transform;

$$A \to \hat{A}(\rho) = \rho(A) \quad \rho \text{ a continuous complex valued homomorphism.}$$

The carrier space $\Phi_0$ of $S$ is the set of all such continuous complex valued homomorphism on $S$, and is thus topologically a Stonean space, as is $\Phi$, and the restriction map: $\pi_0: \Phi \to \Phi_0$, is a continuous surjection. We then have, as we will prove, a lifting

$$U_g(\rho) = \hat{W}_g(\rho)|_{\Phi_0} \quad \rho \in \Phi_0.$$ 

If we define the equivalence $\rho \sim \rho' \Leftrightarrow \rho|_g = \rho'|_g$, then by the extended form of the Stone-Weierstrass theorem [5] the centre $Z$ corresponds to those elements of $\Phi_0$ constant on each equivalence class. Applying this to the Gelfand transform $\hat{F}_g(\rho|_g) = \hat{F}_g(\rho)$ it follows that $\hat{F}_g$ corresponds to an element $\mathcal{V}_g$ of the centre. Since $A(x)$ is a factor, this means that $\mathcal{V}_g = (g)\mathcal{V}$ for $g \in T$; $U_g$ implements $\alpha_g$. In defining a coboundary, and that for each $g \in T$; $U_g$ implements $\alpha_g$. Hence $R_{\alpha_g}$ is a unitary in the centre. In fact $R_{\alpha_g} = g(gh)\mathcal{V}$ where $\mathcal{V}$ is a 2-cocycle. The fact that the lifting $f: \Phi \to \hat{A}$ has the property $\pi \circ f(\rho) = f(\rho|_g)$ for $g \in \Phi$ means that $\hat{R}_{\alpha_g}(\rho) = \hat{R}_{\alpha_g}(\rho|_g)$ since the domain of $\hat{R}_{\alpha_1}$, is $\Phi_2$. But then we have that: $U_g(f(\rho)) = 1 \forall \rho \in \Phi_0$ thus $\hat{R}_{\alpha_g}(\rho) = 1 \forall \rho \in \Phi_0$; the 2-cocycle is trivial. Therefore $R_{\alpha_g} = 1 \forall g \in G$ and $g \to U_g$ is a group representation by unitaries in the fibre algebra, which turns out to be norm continuous, due to their spectral characteristics [4]. We now show that the lifting follows from the Axiom of Choice, in the guise of the equivalent Zorn’s Lemma, applied to the strange topological properties of Stonean spaces. We can set it in the context of lifting from a totally disconnected, compact Hausdorff base space $B$ into a containing fibre bundle $K$ having a Stonean topology.

**Lifting from the base space $B$ of a Stonean fibre bundle $K$**

We prove first that the projection $\pi: K \to B$ is an open mapping if and only if for each non-trivial open subset $E$ of $K$, $\pi(E)$ is not a nowhere dense subset of the base space $B$. One way is trivial for if $\pi$ is an open mapping then $\pi(E)$ is a non-trivial open set so cannot be nowhere dense.

Conversely, the Stonean topology of the fibre bundle $K$ is compact and totally disconnected, with a basis of ‘clopen’ sets (i.e. sets which are both closed and open). Thus, every open set is a union of such clopen sets, and it suffices to show that if $V$ is clopen in $K$, then $\pi(V)$ is open in $B$. Since $V$ is clopen, it is a closed and thus compact subset of $K$, and $\pi$ is continuous, thus $\pi(V)$ is compact. If we define $Y = \pi(V) \cap \text{int}(\pi(V))$; this a closed set with empty interior thus $Y$ is a nowhere dense set and is the image of an open set; $Y = \pi(V) \cap \text{int}(\pi(V))$, using the fact that the projection mapping $\pi$ is continuous and surjective. It follows that $Y$ is void and $\pi(V) = \text{int}(\pi(V))$.

Thus $\pi(V)$ is open and $\pi$ is an open mapping.

**A unique quantum field isomorphic to the base space**

Consider now the set $\Phi$ of all compact subsets $S$ of $K$ such that $\pi(S) = B$. Then $\Phi$ is non-void, partially ordered by set inclusion, and every decreasing chain has a lower bound. It follows from Zorn’s Lemma that $\Phi$ has a smallest element $K(0)$. We show that:

- $\pi|_{K(0)}$ is an open mapping;
- $\pi|_{K(0)}$ is bijective

This will prove the result for the unique quantum field is then $\pi|_{K(0)}^{-1}$, the Axiom of Choice selecting out $K(0)$ as a unique minimal section through the fibre bundle $K$.

$(\pi|_{K(0)})$ is an open mapping;

Consider then $V$ to be a non-trivial open set in $K(0)$. By definition, $\pi|_{K(0)}$ is surjective, thus; $B \setminus \pi(V) \subseteq \pi(K(0) \setminus V)$. Now $K(0)V$ is a closed thus compact subset of $K$, and $\pi|_{K(0)}$ is continuous, thus $\pi(K(0)V)$ is compact. It follows that $B = (B \setminus \pi(V)) \cap \pi(K(0)V) \subseteq \pi(K(0)V)$. If $\pi(V)$ is nowhere dense, then;

$$B = \text{int}(\pi(V)) \subseteq B \setminus \pi(V) \subseteq \pi(K(0)V)$$

Thus $\pi(V)$ cannot be a nowhere dense set. From our earlier discussion, this is enough to show that $\pi|_{K(0)}$ is an open mapping.

$$\pi|_{K(0)}$$ is injective $K_0$.

Assume that $\pi|_{K(0)}$ is not injective, then $\exists x_1, x_2 \in K$ with $\pi(x_1) = \pi(x_2)$.

Since $K(0)$ is a Hausdorff topological space with a basis of clopen sets, there is a clopen subset $V$ of $K(0)$ containing $x_1$ but not $x_2$. Then;

$$\pi(V)$$ is also clopen and $\pi^{-1}(\pi(V)) \subseteq K(0)$ and $p(x) = p(x)\mathcal{P}(V)$, thus $x \setminus p - p(V) \subseteq V$. It follows that $W = p - 1(p(V)) \subseteq V$ is a non-trivial open set, and $W$ and $V$ are disjoint, with $B \setminus \pi(V) \subseteq \pi(K(0)V)$ and $\pi(V) \supseteq \pi(K(0)V) \Rightarrow \pi(K(0)V) = B$. This again contradicts the minimality of $K(0)$. Thus $\pi|_{K(0)}$ is a continuous bijection, and the required lifting is given by $\pi|_{K(0)}^{-1}$.

**Pure gravity states**

We define a separating $T$-invariant quantum state $\mathcal{P}$ to be a such that given an observable $A$ in the fibre algebra $A(x)$,

$$f(A, A) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0.$$
We call such states gravity states, motivated by the classical case. If a tensor or the difference between two tensors of the same covariant and contra variant class is equal to zero for all local inertial reference frames, then it is zero for all curvilinear reference frames, by the covariance assumptions of General Relativity.

Since the Hilbert space $F(x)$ on which the fibre algebra $A(x)$ acts is separable, by definition, there is a countable dense subset $x(n)$. Defining 
\[ f = \sum \alpha_{n} \phi_{n} \lim \sum \alpha_{ij} = 1 \] clearly $f$ is a separating state, and then each element of the weak-* closed convex hull $\Delta = \sigma \{ f \alpha_{ij}; g \in T \}$ is also separating, and for:
\[ \sum \alpha (g) (A . A) = 0 \Rightarrow 3g, \in T; f \alpha (g) (A . A) = 0 = \alpha (g) (A . A) = 0, \]
since is separating. Applying the automorphism $\alpha(g) \Rightarrow A . A = 0$. Additionally, if $f(A . A) = g(A . A) = 0$ then $g(A . A)$.

Thus every element of $\Delta$ is separating.

It follows, by applying the Hajian-Kakutani fixed point theorem [6] to the weak compact set $\Delta$ that it contains an invariant state. Thus, there is a separating $T$-invariant quantum state. If $f$ is an extreme point of the separating $T$-invariant quantum states, let $\pi$ be the GNS representation then clearly $\pi$ is an algebraic isomorphism since the kernel of $f$ is [6].

Defining:
\[ \{ U_{g} \} \in G(U_{g} \pi(A) \xi = \pi(\alpha_{g}(A)) \xi \}

On the pre-Hilbert space of the GNS representation of $f$; these extend to the Segal unitaries associated with $f$ [4]. The mapping $g \rightarrow U_{g}$ is a unitary representation implementing $\alpha: g \rightarrow \alpha_{g}$. If the mapping $\alpha: g \rightarrow \alpha_{g}$ is weakly measurable in the GNS representation then by our previous results [3,4] it is norm continuous and the mapping $g \rightarrow U_{g}$ implementing $\alpha: g \rightarrow \alpha_{g}$ is also norm continuous with $U_{g} \in \pi(A(x)) \forall g \in T$. We have, from previous work [6,7] that the automorphic representation $\alpha_{g}: g \rightarrow \alpha_{g}$ of $T$ acts ergodically if and only if $\pi(A(x)) \cap \{ U_{g}; g \in T \}$ is trivial, containing only the projections 0 and 1 and thus consisting of the set of complex multiples of 1.

We also have:
\[ J \{ \pi(A(x)) \cap \{ U_{g}; g \in T \} \} = \pi(A(x)) \cap \{ U_{g}; g \in T \}, \]
with $J=1$. It follows that the representation $\alpha: g \rightarrow \alpha_{g}$ of $T$ acts ergodically if and only if $\pi(A(x)) \cap \{ U_{g}; g \in T \}$ is trivial. But for this case we have also shown that $U_{g} \in \pi(A(x)) \forall g \in T$ and thus if $E$ is a projection in $\pi(A(x))$ then clearly $E \in \pi(A(x)) \cap \{ U_{g}; g \in T \} = \{ I \}$.

The GNS representation is thus irreducible in the sense of Murray-von Neumann, corresponding to $f$ being a pure quantum state.

The supersymmetric massless graviton

The Poincare group is a locally compact Lie group with 10 generators, and the translational group is an abelian subgroup generated by the energy-momentum 4-vector $P$. This has the property that its square $P^{2}=P^{2}=E$ lies in the centre of the Lie algebra. If we consider the energy-momentum vector in normalized units ($c=1$) then $P^{2}$ has the form $P^{2}=m^{2}I$, where $m$ is the mass-energy of the corresponding particle. In other words, a factorial representation of the Translational group corresponds to a particle with fixed mass $m$ and undetermined spin. We can consider two cases:

(a), $P^{2}=m^{2}I$; $m \neq 0$ corresponding to a multiplet of particles each of the same positive mass but with different spin values;

(b), $P^{2}=0$.1. This factorial representation corresponds to a massless particle such as a photon or a graviton, with a Supersymmetric massless fermion partner.

N=1 Supersymmetry

For either case we need to add an additional element, normally denoted $Q_{x}$ to the Lie algebra, to represent the spread of spin values. In any representation, these are all linear operators, including the identity operator $I$, and thus form an algebra of such operators. Such a factorial representation corresponding to a set of particles, must contain equal numbers of bosons and fermions [8]. With certain assumptions, such a representation where the centre of the algebra is non-trivial can be decomposed into a direct integral of factorial representations, as discussed [9].

We can develop a locally linear representation of these operators, which is a faithful representation of the Super space Lie Algebra [8] by adding a pair of Grassmann variables to the algebraic formulation. We can then generate a standard Lie algebra while mixing commutates anticommutators. For example, if $\xi$ and $\bar{\xi}$ have the Grassmann property so that $\xi \bar{\xi} = -\bar{\xi} \xi$ then:
\[ (\bar{\xi} \partial, \bar{\xi} \bar{\xi} (\partial, \bar{\xi} \bar{\xi})) - (\bar{\xi} \partial, \bar{\xi} \bar{\xi} (\partial, \bar{\xi} \bar{\xi})) - (\bar{\xi} \partial, \bar{\xi} \bar{\xi} + \bar{\partial} \bar{\xi} \bar{\xi}) - (\bar{\xi} \partial, \bar{\partial} \bar{\xi} \bar{\xi}) \]

Note that we also require that these Grassmann variables commute with the operators $Q$. A typical element of the corresponding Lie group is then of the form:
\[ G(x^{\mu}, \xi, \bar{\xi}) = \exp \{ \xi Q + \bar{\xi} \bar{Q} = x^{\mu} P_{\mu} \} \]

Here, $x^{\mu}$ is an event point in locally flat space-time, thus we can think of the Grassmann variables as a vector at the point $x$.

We can interpret this group product as shifting the locus of the Grassmann vector in space-time from $x^{\mu}$ to $x^{\mu} + a^{\mu} - i\xi q^{\sigma} \bar{q}^{\bar{\sigma}} + i\bar{\xi} \sigma^{\bar{\sigma}} \bar{\sigma} + \xi q^{\sigma} \bar{\sigma} + \bar{\xi} \sigma^{\bar{\sigma}} q^{\bar{\sigma}}$, together with additive change to the Grassmann vector at this point.

This follows from the Grassmannian properties, since $\xi^{2} = \bar{\xi}^{2} = 0$ for example.

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we focus on the flat tangent plane and assume Dirac relativistic spinor theory applies. We therefore assume that this operator representation acts on a 4-dimensional Hilbert space H of (spinor) wave functions; and we denote by \( \psi \) an element of the Hilbert space.

Within these assumptions, from earlier, we can express this state \( \psi \) in the form:

\[
\psi = \frac{1}{2} (I_{4\times 4} - \gamma^5) \psi + \frac{1}{2} (I_{4\times 4} + \gamma^5) \psi = \psi_L + \psi_R.
\]

If we define the Dirac adjoint function, \( \overline{\psi} = \psi^* \gamma^0 \) where \( \psi^* = (\psi^*)^T \) then taking complex conjugates of both sides of the massless Dirac equation followed by transposition yields the identity:

\[
(\psi^*)^T (i\gamma^\mu \gamma^5) (\partial_\mu + i e A_\mu) \psi^* = 0.
\]

Exploiting the fact that \( (\gamma^\mu)^T = I_{4\times 4} \) leads to the equation:

\[
-i \gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu + i e A_\mu) \overline{\psi}^* = 0.
\]

The matrices \( (\gamma^\mu) \) satisfy the Clifford algebra relations and within these assumptions, from earlier, we can express this state in the form:

\[
\psi^* = C \overline{\psi}^*.
\]

Thus, for 2-spinors, we can rewrite this as:

\[
\psi^* = C \gamma^5 \psi.
\]

Hence in 2-spinor notation, we have:

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

Thus, for 4-spinors, we can rewrite this in equation (1) above we have

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

Similarly, we can show that, for 4-spinors,

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

Thus, the \( \mathfrak{e} \) matrices are the spinor metric

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Since all the latter equations are relativistically invariant, we can transform them to the rest frame where

\[
P^\mu = (E,0,0,0) = (m,0,0,0)
\]

with the speed of light normalised at \( c=1 \).

With these values of \( P^\mu \) in equation (1) above we have

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

Hence

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

Taking \( A = 1, B = 1 \) we have

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

Similarly

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

Since

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

For consistency with the current literature, we assume the constant

\[
a = 1.
\]

Thus, we have the quantum operator equality

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

The left-hand side of this expression is a positive definite quantum operator thus for \( y \) an element of the Hilbert space;

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

If \( \psi \) is the vacuum state then, \( <\psi, P \psi> = 0 \) is equivalent to

\[
2 <\psi, \overline{\psi} \overline{\psi} \psi + 2 <\psi, \overline{\psi} \overline{\psi} \psi > = 0.
\]

Since, for 2-spinors, we can rewrite this as

\[
\{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

Thus

\[
2 <\psi, \overline{\psi} \overline{\psi} \psi + 2 <\psi, \overline{\psi} \overline{\psi} \psi > = 0.
\]

from which we deduce that

\[
Q \{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0 \quad \text{and also}
\]

\[
Q \{ \psi^*, \overline{\psi} \} = 0.
\]

Factorial representations of the 2 Z graded lie algebra

The extension of the space \( L_0 \) to the space \( L = L_0 \oplus L_1 \) maintains \( P^\mu \) as an element of the centre;
Quantum States Invariant under the Action of Compact Lie Groups

The weak topology \( \sigma(A(x),A(x)) \) can be defined on the predual \( A(x) \), as the coarsest topology for which elements of the predual are continuous [10]. It is defined by a set of semi-norms \( p=|f| \) for \( f \) a density matrix linear functional which as a set are separating for \( A(x) \). Making minimal assumptions we let \( \alpha_g: A(x) \rightarrow A(x) \) be a weakly measurable representation of the compact Lie group \( G \) as automorphisms of \( A(x) \). By this we mean that the induced mapping \( \psi: g \rightarrow f \circ \alpha_g: G \rightarrow A(x) \) is measurable for Haar measure on \( G \) and the \( \sigma(A(x),A(x)) \) topology on \( A(x) \). Since every positive element of \( A(x) \) is a countable sum of vector states this is equivalent to the definition that \( \psi: g \rightarrow \omega \circ \alpha_g: G \rightarrow A(x) \), is measurable for all \( x \) in the fibre Hilbert space \( F(x) \).

Given that the induced mapping \( \psi: g \rightarrow f \circ \alpha_g: G \rightarrow A(x) \), on the predual of \( A(x) \), weak measurability is equivalent to weak continuity. We have shown, as for local diffeomorphism-invariant quantum states [3,7], that quantum states invariant under the action of compact Lie groups are common in the sense that the weakly closed convex hull of every normal state contains such a state. We are now dealing with groups such as \( SU(n) \) which are both compact and non-abelian thus different techniques are required. To achieve this result, we developed a new idea based on group stabilizer theory which we called Wigner sets [12]. These are complementary to little groups.

Wigner sets and the finite intersection property

Given a density matrix quantum state \( f \), and a weakly measurable representation \( g \equiv \alpha_g \) of a compact Lie group \( G \) as gauge automorphisms of the fibre algebra \( A(x) \), define the closed convex hull; \( X(f) = \text{co} \{ f \circ \alpha_g : g \in G \} \) with closure in the \( \sigma(A(x),A(x)) \)-topology.

Define the group of isometric and \( \sigma(A(x),A(x)) \)-continuous transformations mapping \( X(f) \rightarrow X(f) \) by \( \psi(G) = \{ \psi(g) : x \rightarrow x \circ \alpha_g, g \in G, x \in X(f) \} \). Mathematically, we note that since \( G \) is compact and \( f \circ \alpha_g: G \rightarrow A(x) \) is weakly measurable and thus weakly continuous; this implies that \( f \circ \alpha(g) = \sigma(A(x),A(x)) \)-compact. The Krein-Smulian theorem [13], then shows that \( X(f) \) is also a \( \sigma(A(x),A(x)) \)-compact set. Thus \( X(f) \) is a non-void \( \sigma(A(x),A(x)) \)-compact convex subset of the locally convex Hausdorff linear topological space of ultraweakly continuous linear functionals acting on the fibre algebra \( A(x) \).

The group of mappings \( \psi(G) = \{ \psi(g) : x \rightarrow x \circ \alpha_g, g \in G, x \in X(f) \} \) is a non-contracting (semi-)group of weakly continuous affine maps of \( X(f) \) onto itself. We can therefore, apply the Ryll Nardzewski fixed point theorem [14] to establish the existence of an invariant normal state contained in \( X(f) \). The physical implications highlight the role of what we have termed Wigner sets.

Given, define the Wigner set of the mapping \( \psi(g): X(f) \rightarrow X(f) \) as the stabiliser set; \( X(f) = \{ x \in X(f) : \psi(g): x \rightarrow x \} \).
More generally, given a finite subset \( \{g()\in G;j=2,...,n\} \) and corresponding mappings \( \{v(g());j=2,...,n\} \), we can construct the affine mapping:
\[
\frac{1}{n}\sum_{j}v(g(j)):X(f)\to X(f).
\]

We then define \( \mathcal{F}\left\{ v(g());j=2,...,n\right\} \equiv \mathcal{F}\left\{ \frac{1}{n}\sum_{j}v(g(j))\right\} \).

We proved \([12]\) that the following relationship between Wigner sets applies:
\[
\bigcap_{g}\mathcal{F}\left\{ v(g());g\in G\right\} =\mathcal{F}\left\{ \frac{1}{n}\sum_{j}v(g(j))\right\} .
\]

**Invariant normal states**

It is now easy to see why, physically, by exploiting the properties of Wigner sets, \( X(f) \) contains a fixed point for the group of isometric and \( \sigma(A(x),A(x))\)-continuous transformations
\[
v(G) = \left\{ v(x)\to x\circ a_g;g\in G,x\in X(f)\right\} .
\]

We have that \( \frac{1}{n}\sum_{j}v(g(j)) \) is a \( \sigma(A(x),A(x))\)-continuous affine mapping on the compact convex set \( X(f) \) It thus has a fixed point \( x \) (applying again Schauder’s fixed point theorem). Then
\[
x\in\frac{1}{n}\sum_{j}v(g(j))
\]

The expression,
\[
\bigcap_{g}\mathcal{F}\left\{ v(g());g\in G\right\} =\mathcal{F}\left\{ \frac{1}{n}\sum_{j}v(g(j))\right\} .
\]

shows that the Wigner sets \( \mathcal{F}\left\{ v(g());g\in G\right\} \) have the finite intersection property since \( \bigcap_{g}\mathcal{F}\left\{ v(g());g\in G\right\} \) is non-void. Clearly each Wigner set is a \( \sigma(A(x),A(x))\)-closed subset of the compact set \( X(f) \) thus
\[
\bigcap_{g}\mathcal{F}\left\{ v(g());g\in G\right\} =\emptyset .
\]

If \( h\in\bigcap_{g}\mathcal{F}\left\{ v(g());g\in G\right\} \Rightarrow h = v_x\circ h = h\circ a_g\forall g\in G \). Thus, \( h \) is the required invariant quantum state.

The proof shows that quantum states invariant under the action of compact Lie groups are common in the sense that the weakly closed convex hull of every normal state contains such an invariant state.

**Discussion**

We have developed a set of mathematically consistent non-perturbative methods applicable to Loop Quantum Gravity, addressing a number of issues raised by Ashtekar [15]. These methods have been applied to show that quantum states invariant under either an external group of local diffeomorphisms of space-time or quantum states invariant under the internal action of a compact Lie group are ‘common’, in the sense that the weakly closed convex hull of every relevant quantum state contains such an invariant state. These form the building blocks of invariant fields and Lagrangians. A form of \( N=1 \) Supersymmetry and non-commutative space–time naturally emerges, which predicts a spin-2 massless graviton and its companion gravitino. Separately, \([16]\) these methods are used to develop a quantum ergodic theory.

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