

# Quantum field theory on fuzzy de Sitter space I

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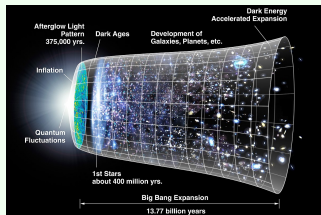
Quantum and Fuzzy  
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# Early universe cosmology

## Inflation

- Earliest stage of cosmic evolution



- Cosmological perturbations traced back to **reheating surface**
- Correlators very close to being scale-invariant

$$n_s = 0.9667 \pm 0.0040$$

- Inflation well approximated by weakly-coupled **QFT on de Sitter**
- Lends itself well to symmetry-based approaches (e.g. the bootstrap)

# Cosmology and noncommutative geometry

## Noncommutative cosmologies

- Quantum-gravitational effects believed to be important
- Captured by noncommutative geometry?
  - 1) Moyal-like deformations → inhomogeneities in the CMB
  - 2) matrix models → singularity resolution
  - 3) minisuperspace, spectral action, modified dispersion relations . . .
- **Today:** Fuzzy de Sitter space
  - agnostic about microscopic physics
  - has  $SO(1, 4)$  symmetry (broken/twisted)

# History of fuzzy de Sitter space

## Noncommutative frames

- Constructed within the noncommutative frame formalism

$$[\hat{p}_\alpha, \hat{x}^\mu] = e_\alpha^\mu(\hat{x}), \quad [\hat{p}_\alpha, \hat{p}_\beta] = A_{\alpha\beta}{}^{\gamma\delta} \hat{p}_\gamma \hat{p}_\delta + C_{\alpha\beta}{}^\gamma \hat{p}_\gamma + B_{\alpha\beta}$$

- Rigid framework ensuring 'correct' differential geometry
- Gives rise to classical and quantum field theory
- Spectral properties, commutative limit?

## Fuzzy de Sitter model

- Introduced in [Burić, Madore] - coordinates and momenta
- Spectra of coordinates [Burić, Latas, Nenadović]
- Riemannian geometry and quantum mechanics [Brkić, Burić, Latas]

# The role of fuzzy harmonics

## Fuzzy spherical harmonics

- Building blocks of fuzzy field theories



$$Y_{0,0} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}}, \quad Y_{1,0} = \frac{\sigma_3}{2\sqrt{\pi}}, \quad Y_{1,\pm 1} = \frac{\sigma_1 \pm i\sigma_2}{2\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

- Close under multiplication

$$Y_{l_1, m_1} Y_{l_2, m_2} = \sum_{l, m} C_{m_1 m_2 m}^{l_1 l_2 l} Y_{l, m}$$

- Serve for field expansion

$$\Phi = \sum_{l, m} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_l}} \left( a_{l, m} e^{-i\omega_l t} Y_{l, m} + a_{l, m}^\dagger e^{i\omega_l t} Y_{l, m}^* \right)$$

# Aim for this talk

## Harmonics continued

- In interacting theories

$$S = \frac{4\pi}{N} \int dt \operatorname{tr} \left( \frac{1}{2} \dot{\Phi}^2 + \Phi [\rho^a, [\rho_a, \Phi]] - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \Phi^4 \right)$$

structure constants determine the spectrum

$$H = \sum_{l,m} \omega_l a_{l,m}^\dagger a_{l,m} + \frac{\pi\lambda}{24N} \sum \frac{C_{m_1 m_2 m}^{l_1 l_2 l} C_{m_4 m_3 m}^{l_4 l_3 l}}{\sqrt{\omega_{l_1} \dots \omega_{l_4}}} (a_{l_1, m_1} + (-1)^{m_1} a_{l_1, -m_1}^\dagger) \dots ((-1)^{m_4} a_{l_4, -m_4} + a_{l_4, m_4}^\dagger)$$

## Today

- Quantisation of commutative field modes
- Compatibility with the Bunch-Davies vacuum
- Complete set of fuzzy harmonics

# Plan for the talk

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Quantum field theory on de Sitter space
- 3 Fuzzy de Sitter harmonics by separation of variables
- 4 Higher Kaluza-Klein modes
- 5 Conclusion

# De Sitter space

## Symmetries and boundary

- Poincaré coordinates

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{\eta^2} \left( -d\eta^2 + dx^i dx_i \right), \quad \eta < 0$$

- Asymptotic boundary = reheating surface :  $\eta \rightarrow 0$
- Isometry group  $G = SO(1, 4)$

$$P_i = -\partial_{x^i}, \quad L_{ij} = x_i \partial_{x^j} - x_j \partial_{x^i},$$

$$D = -\eta \partial_\eta - x^i \partial_{x^i}, \quad K_i = (\eta^2 - x^2) \partial_{x^i} - 2x_i D$$

acts as the conformal group on the boundary

- Alternative 'physical' (as opposed to 'comoving') coordinates

$$y^i = \frac{x^i}{\eta}$$

such that the dilation generator is  $D = -\eta \partial_\eta$



# Quantisation

## Field modes and vacua

- Klein-Gordon equation

$$\left(\Delta_{dS_4} - M^2\right) \Phi = 0$$

- Quantisation: choice of positive frequency modes

$$\Phi = \sum_i \left( a_i v_i + a_i^\dagger v_i^* \right), \quad a_i |0\rangle = 0$$

subject to

$$\langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}, \quad \langle v_i^*, v_j^* \rangle = -\delta_{ij}, \quad \langle v_i, v_j^* \rangle = 0$$

- Solutions carry a representation of  $SO(1,4)$

$$\Phi(\eta, x^i) \sim (-\eta)^{\Delta_+} \Phi^+(x^i) + (-\eta)^{\Delta_-} \Phi^-(x^i), \quad \eta \rightarrow 0$$

consisting of two irreducible components

$$\Delta_{\pm} = \frac{3}{2} \pm i\kappa, \quad \kappa^2 = M^2 - \frac{9}{4}$$

# Separation of variables

## Field modes and vacua

- Special vacua:
  - 1)  $SO(1, 4)$ -invariant  $\rightarrow$  complex parameter  $\lambda$  [Chernikov, Tagirov; Allen]
  - 2) Bunch-Davies  $\rightarrow$  flat space behaviour of the two-point function
- Separation of variables in  $(\eta, y^i)$  compatible with  $SO(1, 4)$

$$v(\eta, y^i) = (-\eta)^{-i\omega} F(y^2) \Psi_l^m(\theta, \phi),$$

- Field modes on the boundary

$$v_{\omega, l, m, \kappa} \cong \begin{pmatrix} c r^{-\frac{3}{2} - i\kappa - i\omega} \Psi_l^m(\theta, \phi) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v_{\omega, l, m, -\kappa} \cong \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ c r^{-\frac{3}{2} + i\kappa - i\omega} \Psi_l^m(\theta, \phi) \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\alpha$ -vacuum in the sense of [Allen] with

$$\coth \alpha = e^{\pi \kappa}$$

- Bogoliubov transformation to Poincaré modes understood



# Fuzzy de Sitter space

## Basic properties

- De Sitter as the hyperboloid

$$-X_0^2 + X_1^2 + X_2^2 + X_3^2 + X_4^2 = \ell^2$$

- Reminiscent of quartic Casimir of  $SO(1, 4)$

$$-W_0^2 + W_1^2 + W_2^2 + W_3^2 + W_4^2 = C_4$$

- Coordinates and momenta

$$\hat{\eta} = -\ell(W_0 - W_4), \quad \hat{x}^i = \ell W^i \quad \hat{p}_0 = D, \quad \hat{p}_i = -P_i$$

- Frame relations and momentum commutators

$$[\hat{p}_\mu, \hat{x}^\nu] = \delta_\mu^\nu \hat{\eta} \quad [\hat{p}_0, \hat{p}_i] = \hat{p}_i, \quad [\hat{p}_i, \hat{p}_j] = 0$$

- Covariant differential geometry  $\rightarrow$  Einstein manifold
- Laplace-Beltrami operator

$$\Delta \Phi = -[\hat{p}_0, [\hat{p}_0, \Phi]] + 3[\hat{p}_0, \Phi] + [\hat{p}_i, [\hat{p}_i, \Phi]]$$

## Two-dimensional case

### In various dimensions

- $d = 6, 8, \dots$ : via Pauli-Lubanski vector [Burić, Madore]
- $d = 3$ : the fuzzy BTZ black hole [IB, Burić]

### Deformed $dS_2$

- $d = 2$ :  $h$ -deformed hyperbolic plane [Cho; Madore, Steinacker]

$$\hat{\eta} = -i\hbar P, \quad \hat{x} = -i\hbar D, \quad \hat{p}_0 = D, \quad \hat{p}_1 = -P$$

- Closely analogous differential calculus

$$[\hat{p}_0, \hat{\eta}] = \hat{\eta}, \quad [\hat{p}_1, \hat{x}] = \hat{\eta}, \quad [\hat{p}_0, \hat{p}_1] = \hat{p}_1$$

leading to the Laplacian

$$\Delta\Phi = -[\hat{p}_0, [\hat{p}_0, \Phi]] + [\hat{p}_0, \Phi] + [\hat{p}_1, [\hat{p}_1, \Phi]]$$

# Harmonics in separated variables

## Commutators in $(\hat{\eta}, \hat{y})$ variables

- Variable  $y$  defined by symmetrisation

$$\hat{y} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \hat{\eta}^{-1} \hat{x} + \hat{x} \hat{\eta}^{-1} \right), \quad [\hat{\eta}, \hat{y}] = i\kappa$$

- Momenta preserve ordering

$$[\hat{\rho}_0, \hat{\eta}] = \hat{\eta}, \quad [\hat{\rho}_1, \hat{\eta}] = 0,$$

$$[\hat{\rho}_0, \hat{y}] = -\hat{y}, \quad [\hat{\rho}_1, \hat{y}] = 1.$$

- Look for harmonics of the form

$$\Phi(\hat{\eta}, \hat{y}) = (-\hat{\eta})^{-i\omega} f(\hat{y})$$

- Solutions by putting hats to classical ones

$$\hat{V}_{\omega, \kappa}(\hat{\eta}, \hat{y}) = c_{\omega, \kappa} (-\hat{\eta})^{-i\omega} \left( \hat{y}^2 - 1 \right)^{-\frac{i\omega}{2}} Q_{-\frac{1}{2} + i\kappa}^{-i\omega}(\hat{y})$$

## Solutions in four dimensions

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- Coordinates

$$\hat{y}^i = \frac{1}{2} \left( \hat{\eta}^{-1} \hat{x}^i + \hat{x}^i \hat{\eta}^{-1} \right)$$

- Commutation relations

$$[\hat{\rho}_0, \hat{\eta}] = \hat{\eta}, \quad [\hat{\rho}_i, \hat{\eta}] = 0,$$

$$[\hat{\rho}_0, \hat{y}^j] = -\hat{y}^j, \quad [\hat{\rho}_i, \hat{y}^j] = \delta_i^j$$

- Separated solutions

$$v = (-\eta)^{-i\omega} \sum c_{ijk} y_1^i y_2^j y_3^k \quad \mapsto \quad \hat{v} = (-\hat{\eta})^{-i\omega} \sum c_{ijk} \hat{y}_1^i \hat{y}_2^j \hat{y}_3^k$$

### Questions

- A different ordering of  $\hat{y}_i$ ?
- Completeness of solutions?





# Fuzzy functions as integral kernels

## Functions as differential operators

- Principal series representations

$$P_i = -\partial_i, \quad L_{ij} = z_i \partial_j - z_j \partial_i - \Sigma_{ij},$$

$$D = -z^i \partial_i - \Delta, \quad K_i = -z^2 \partial_i - 2z_i D - 2z^j \Sigma_{ij}$$

acting on spinor fields  $\psi_a(z^i)$

- Fuzzy functions elements of the tensor product

$$\mathcal{A} = \text{End}(\mathcal{H}) \cong \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}^*,$$

- Action of momenta via commutators becomes

$$\text{ad}_X \mapsto X^L + X^R.$$

and gives rise to the fuzzy Laplacian

$$\Delta = -\left(D^L + D^R\right)^2 + (d-1)\left(D^L + D^R\right) + \sum_{i=1}^{d-1} \left(P_i^L + P_i^R\right)^2$$

## Working in time eigenbasis

### Fuzzy harmonics as matrices

- Coordinates as differential operators

$$\hat{\eta} = i\kappa\partial_z, \quad \hat{x} = i\kappa(z\partial_z + \Delta)$$

- Eigenbasis of  $\hat{\eta}$  = Fourier space

$$P = -iq, \quad D = q\partial_q + 1 - \Delta, \quad K = iq\partial_q^2 - 2iD\partial_q$$

- Eigenstates of the radial coordinates

$$\hat{y}|\lambda\rangle = \lambda|\lambda\rangle, \quad \langle q|\lambda\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} q^{-\frac{1}{2}+\Delta} e^{-i\lambda q}$$

- Harmonics as functions of two variables

$$\langle \eta_L | \hat{V}_{\omega, \kappa} | \eta_R \rangle = \frac{C_{\omega, \kappa}}{\kappa^{i\omega+1/2}} \eta_L^{i\tau-i\omega} \eta_R^{-i\tau} (\eta_L - \eta_R)^{i\omega-\frac{1}{2}} J_{i\kappa} \left( \frac{\eta_L - \eta_R}{\kappa} \right)$$

- Fully characterised by a pair of differential equations
- Similar structure in four dimensions

# General solution to Klein-Gordon equation

## The fuzzy Laplacian is integrable

- Work in coordinates

$$z_L^j = y^j + \xi^j, \quad z_R^j = y^j - \xi^j$$

in which the momenta assume the form

$$P_i^L + P_i^R = -\partial_{y^i}, \quad D^L + D^R = -y^i \partial_{y^i} - \xi^i \partial_{\xi^i} - 3$$

- Compute the Laplacian and observe one has solutions

$$g(\vartheta)(-\xi)^\delta f(y^j) e_a \otimes e_b$$

- Reduced operator is closely related to commutative Laplacian

$$w_{\omega, l, m, \kappa}^{l', m', ab}(z_L^i, z_R^i) = Y_{l'}^{m'}(\vartheta) (-\xi)^{i\omega-3} \rho^{-\frac{3}{2}-i(\omega+\kappa)} \\ \times {}_2F_1\left(\frac{2l+3+2i(\omega+\kappa)}{4}, \frac{-2l+1+2i(\omega+\kappa)}{4}; 1+i\kappa; \rho^{-2}\right) Y_l^m(\theta) e^a \otimes e^b$$

- Commutative solutions with a tower of modes labelled by  $(l', m')$



## Summary and perspectives

### Summary of results

- Complete set of harmonics on fuzzy de Sitter spaces in  $d = 2, 4$
- Separation of variables, vacuum invariance, higher-spin modes

### Future directions

- Details of the Kaluza-Klein structure
  - spinning harmonics via weight-shifting operators
  - suppression of higher modes
- Quantum field theory
  - propagator
  - coherent-like states
- Extensions
  - fuzzy BTZ the simplest model to study
  - other spaces in four dimensions? AdS-Kerr black hole?



Thank you for your attention.

Srećan rođendan, Majče!

# Propagator

Field expansion

$$\Phi = \int d\omega \left( a_\omega \hat{v}_\omega + a_\omega^\dagger \hat{v}_\omega^* \right)$$

Two-point function

$$\langle \Phi_1 \Phi_2 \rangle = \int d\omega \hat{v}_\omega \hat{v}_\omega^*$$

leads to a solvable integral. Another option

$$\hat{G}_2 = \hat{G}_2(\hat{\eta}, \hat{x}, \hat{\eta}', \hat{x}') = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\kappa\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - i\kappa\right)}{4\pi} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{2} + i\kappa, \frac{1}{2} - i\kappa; 1; \frac{1 + \hat{Z}}{2}\right)$$

Quantum geodesic distance

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{Z} &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \hat{\eta} \hat{\eta}'^{-1} + \hat{\eta}^{-1} \hat{\eta}' + 2\hat{y} \hat{y}' - \hat{\eta}'^{-1} \{ \hat{\eta}^{-1}, \hat{x}^2 \} - \hat{\eta}^{-1} \{ \hat{\eta}'^{-1}, \hat{x}'^2 \} \right) \\ &= \frac{q}{q'} \partial_q^2 + \frac{q'}{q} \partial_{q'}^2 + \left( \frac{3}{2} - \Delta \right) \left( \frac{1}{q'} \partial_q + \frac{1}{q} \partial_{q'} \right) + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(q^2 + q'^2) + \Delta(\Delta - 1) + \frac{3}{4}}{qq'} \end{aligned}$$



## Semi-classical states

Start with vector  $|\xi_0\rangle$  with expectation values

$$\eta_0 = \langle \xi_0 | \hat{\eta} | \xi_0 \rangle, \quad x_0 = \langle \xi_0 | \hat{X} | \xi_0 \rangle$$

$\xi_0 = (\eta_0, x_0)$  a classical point. Another point obtained by

$$\xi_1 = \lambda^{-e_0} e^{-be_1} \xi_0 = \left( \lambda^{-1} \eta_0, x_0 - b\eta_0 \right)$$

$\{e_0, e_1\}$  is the classical frame. Semi-classical state 'associated with  $\xi_1$ ' by

$$|\xi_1\rangle = \lambda^{\hat{p}_0} e^{b\hat{p}_1} |\xi_0\rangle .$$

Local measurements at  $\xi_1$  modelled by expectation values of operators in  $|\xi_1\rangle$ .  
Axioms of the frame formalism ensure consistency

$$\langle \xi_1 | \hat{\eta} | \xi_1 \rangle = \eta_1, \quad \langle \xi_1 | \hat{X} | \xi_1 \rangle = x_1$$

## Symmetry breaking

Classical frame

$$e_0 = \eta \partial_\eta, \quad e_i = \eta \partial_{x^i}$$

Carried to  $SO(1, d)$  generators by

$$\Phi : dS_d \rightarrow dS_d, \quad (\eta, x^i) \mapsto \left( \eta^{-1}, \frac{x^i}{\eta} \right)$$

$$\Phi^* e_0 = P_0, \quad \Phi^* e_i = P_i .$$

Manifested on the noncommutative level in differential equations satisfied by the modes

$$\hat{D} \hat{V}_{\omega, \kappa} = -i\omega \hat{V}_{\omega, \kappa}, \quad \hat{D} = \left( D^L - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{\eta_L}{\eta_R} \left( D^R - \frac{1}{2} \right) .$$