

QFT with generalized statistics and QG phenomenology

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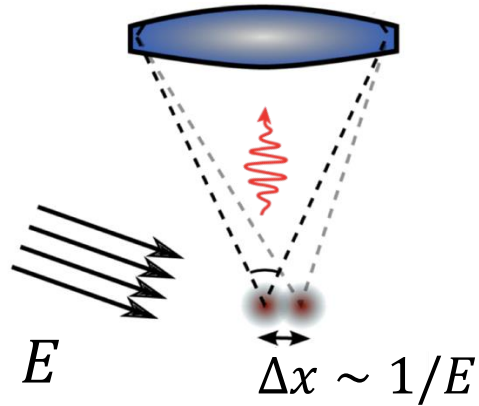
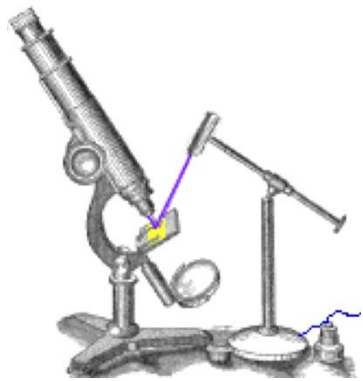
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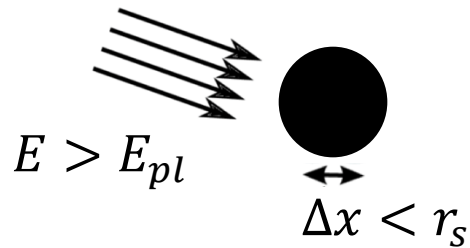
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Quantum mechanics



+ General Relativity



Infinite localization implies
black hole creation

Quantum spacetime

$$\Delta x_{min} \sim l_{pl}$$

$$\Delta t_{min} \sim t_{pl}$$



$$[x^\mu, x^\nu] = i\theta^{\mu\nu}$$

Doplicher, Fredenhagen, Roberts 1994



String theory

Open strings with background B-fields experience $[x^\mu, x^\nu] = i\theta^{\mu\nu}$

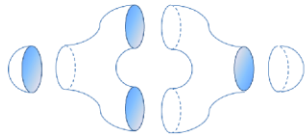
$$\theta^{\mu\nu} = 2\pi\alpha' \left(\frac{1}{g + 2\pi\alpha' B} \right)^{\mu\nu}_A$$

Seiberg & Witten 1999



Loop quantum gravity

κ -Minkowski NCT may emerge as a mesoscopic limit of the spin-foam



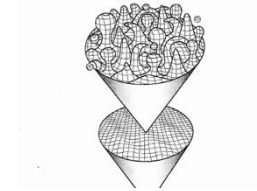
3D quantum gravity

Effective dynamics of matter is described by κ -Minkowski NCST and GUP

Outlook

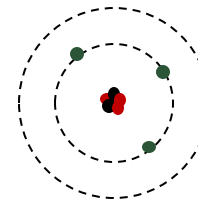
❖ Noncommutative QFT

- Covariance requires deformation of statistics
- Implications



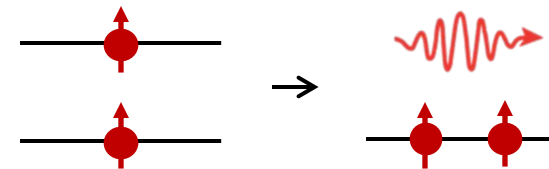
❖ Multi-particle states

- Relativistic generalization of quon model
- Superselection rules



❖ Pauli-forbidden atomic transitions

- Theoretical predictions
- Phenomenological bounds



❖ Final remarks

Covariant construction of NCQFT

- **Deform Poincaré (co-)algebra** to make $[\hat{x}^\mu, \hat{x}^\nu] = i\theta^{\mu\nu}$ invariant (Oeckl '00, Chaichian et al. '04, Aschieri et al. '05)

$$\Delta_\theta(\Lambda)|p\rangle \otimes |q\rangle = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\Delta_0(\Lambda)\mathcal{F}|p\rangle \otimes |q\rangle = f_\theta^{-1}(p', q')f_\theta(p, q)|p'\rangle \otimes |q'\rangle$$

$$f_\theta(p, q) = \exp\left(-\frac{i}{2}p_\mu\theta^{\mu\nu}q_\nu\right) \text{ Moyal phase}$$

- **Deform permutations** to restore covariance of particle exchange: $\tau_\theta|p\rangle \otimes |q\rangle = \mathcal{Q}(p, q)|q\rangle \otimes |p\rangle$ (Oeckl '00, Balachandran et al. '06)

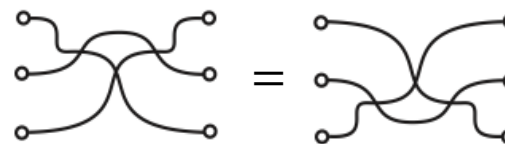
$$\begin{aligned} |p\rangle \otimes |q\rangle &\xrightarrow{\Lambda} f_\theta^{-1}(p', q')f_\theta(p, q)|p'\rangle \otimes |q'\rangle \xrightarrow{\tau_\theta} f_\theta^{-1}(p', q')f_\theta(p, q)\mathcal{Q}(p', q')|q'\rangle \otimes |p'\rangle \\ &\quad \downarrow \tau_\theta \\ &\mathcal{Q}(p, q)|q\rangle \otimes |p\rangle \\ &\quad \downarrow < \\ &f_\theta^{-1}(q', p')f_\theta(q, p)\mathcal{Q}(p, q)|q'\rangle \otimes |p'\rangle = f_\theta(p', q')f_\theta^{-1}(p, q)\mathcal{Q}(p, q)|q'\rangle \otimes |p'\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{Q}(p, q) = \eta(p, q)f_\theta^2(p, q)$$

with $\eta(p, q)$ Lorentz-invariant

τ_θ^i generate braid statistics

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_\theta^i \tau_\theta^j &= \tau_\theta^j \tau_\theta^i & |i - j| &\geq 2 \\ \tau_\theta^i \tau_\theta^{i+1} \tau_\theta^i &= \tau_\theta^{i+1} \tau_\theta^i \tau_\theta^{i+1} & 1 \leq i \leq n - 2 \end{aligned}$$



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Results

- Pauli-violating transitions heavily depends on the form of η
- $\eta = \pm 1$ predict wrong results
- η ensures UV regularization

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Q-deformed fields

$$\begin{cases} H = \int d^3x \psi^\dagger(x) h_D \psi(x) \\ h_D \psi^\dagger(x) = [\psi^\dagger(x), H] + \int d^3y \psi^{-\dagger}(y) h_D^y [\psi^\dagger(y), \psi^\dagger(x)]_{Q^*} \end{cases}$$

- If $\eta = \pm 1$: $[\psi(x), \psi(y)]_{Q^*} = 0 \Rightarrow N = a_s^\dagger(p) a_s(p)$

- If $|\eta| < 1$: $\begin{cases} H = \int d^3p E_p (N(p) + N^c(p)) \\ N, N^c \text{ admit infinite expansion in } a^\# \text{ and } b^\# \end{cases}$

$$N(p) = \sum_s a_s^\dagger(p) a_s(p) + \int d^3p \frac{1}{1 - \eta^2(p, q)} \sum_{sr} [a_r^\dagger(q), a_s^\dagger(p)]_{Q^*} [a_s(p), a_r(q)]_{Q^*} + \dots$$

For $Q = \text{const}$ it gives Stanciu's expression for quon-model

Correlation functions

- Two-particle propagators similar to ordinary QFT

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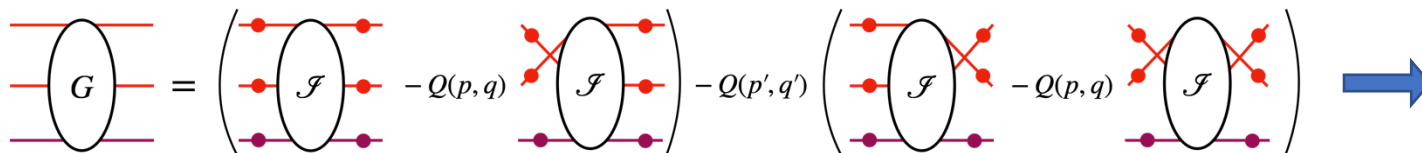
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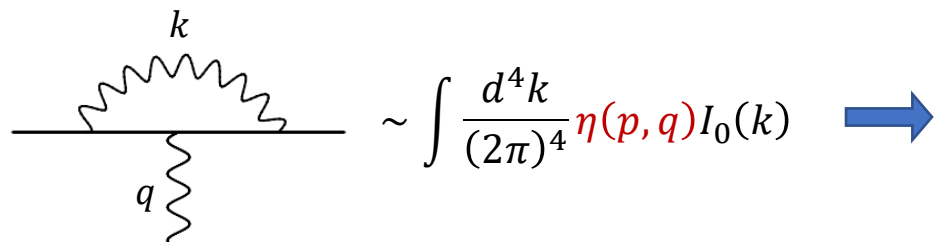
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$$\sim \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \eta(p, q) I_0(k) \quad \rightarrow \quad \eta \text{ may provide UV regularization. E.g. } \eta(p, q) = \exp\left(-\frac{p \cdot q}{\Lambda_\theta^2}\right)$$

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$$N_{s_\theta, a_\theta}^2 = \int d^3p d^3q (1 \pm \eta(p, q)) |\psi_{s_\theta, a_\theta}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})|^2$$

$$\psi(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = c_{s_\theta} \psi_{s_\theta}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) + c_{a_\theta} \psi_{a_\theta}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}), \quad |c_{s_\theta, a_\theta}| = \frac{N_{s_\theta, a_\theta}}{\sqrt{N_{a_\theta}^2 + N_{s_\theta}^2}}$$

η interpolates smoothly between symmetric/antisymmetric states

- $\psi_{s_\theta, a_\theta}$ are superselected: $\langle \psi_{s_\theta} | \mathcal{O} | \psi_{a_\theta} \rangle = 0$ for all observables

$$\rho^{(2)} = |c_{a_\theta}|^2 |\psi_{a_\theta}\rangle \langle \psi_{a_\theta}| + |c_{s_\theta}|^2 |\psi_{s_\theta}\rangle \langle \psi_{s_\theta}|$$

Electrons are indistinguishable

Fock space

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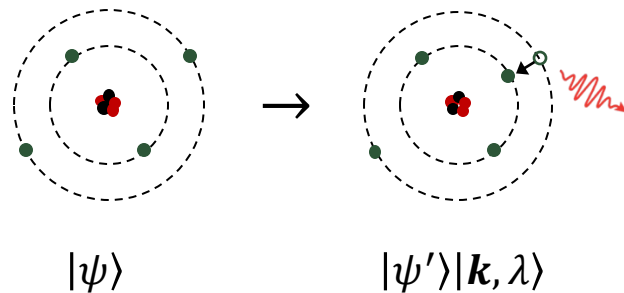
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- $\mathcal{F}_\theta(\mathcal{H})$ defined as the completion of $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{H}) = \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}^{\otimes n}$ with respect to the inner product $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_\theta$

- For $\eta = \pm 1$: $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_\theta$ automatically projects onto $\mathcal{F}_\theta^\pm(\mathcal{H})$ and remain only twisted-bosons or twisted-fermions
- For $-1 \leq \eta \leq 1$: **smooth interpolation between twisted-Bose and twisted-Fermi statistics**
- **Relativistic generalization of the quon-model. Consistency ensured by twisted Poincaré symmetry**

PEP-violating transition rates

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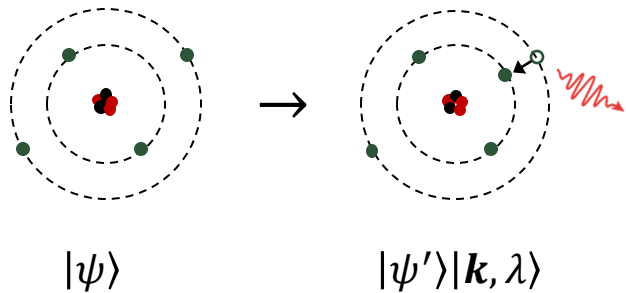
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$$\delta H_{if} = \frac{e}{\sqrt{2\omega}} \int d^3p d^3q F_\theta(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{p}) \psi'_s(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \alpha_1 \cdot \epsilon_\lambda^* \left[\left(\frac{1 - \eta(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \cos p\theta q}{N N'_s} \right) \psi_s(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) + \left(\frac{i\eta(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \sin p\theta q}{N N'_s} \right) \psi_a(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) \right]$$

At leading order in θ : $F_\theta(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{p}) \rightarrow 1, N \rightarrow 1, \psi_{s,a}, \psi'_s \rightarrow$ QED wavefunctions:

➤ δH_{if} reduce to QED matrix elements modified solely by the non-trivial norm N'_s and the exchange factor $\mathcal{Q} = \eta f_\theta^2$

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Leading order of PEPV matrix elements heavily depends on the expansion of η

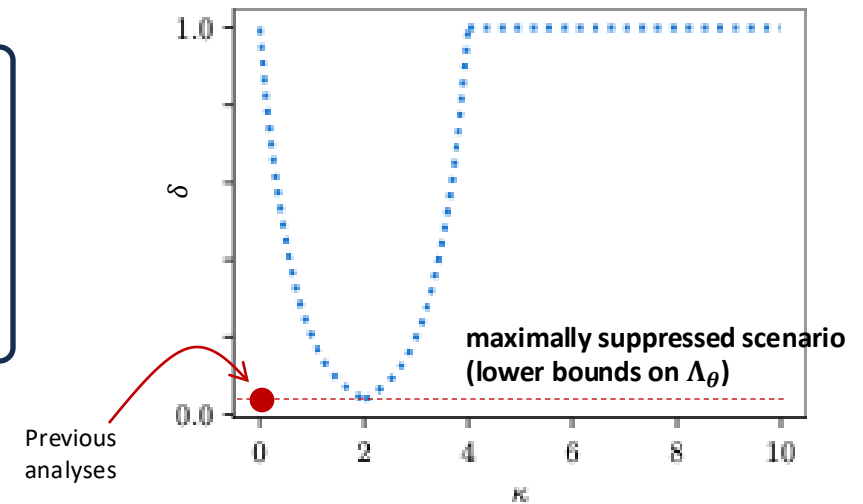
$$N'_S = \left[\int d^3p d^3q (1 - \eta(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \cos p\theta q) |\psi'_S(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})|^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\mathcal{N}_\kappa}{\Lambda_\theta^{h(\kappa)}}, \quad \text{where } h(\kappa) = \begin{cases} 2 & \kappa = 0, \kappa \geq 4 \\ \kappa & 0 < \kappa < 4 \end{cases}$$

Then the matrix elements are proportional to

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1 - \eta(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \cos p\theta q}{N'_S} \sim \frac{(\sigma/\Lambda_\theta^2)^{\frac{\kappa}{2}}}{\mathcal{N}_\kappa/\Lambda_\theta^{h(\kappa)}} \\ \frac{\eta(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \sin p\theta q}{N'_S} \sim \frac{pcq/\Lambda_\theta^2}{\mathcal{N}_\kappa/\Lambda_\theta^{h(\kappa)}} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{PEPV}}{d\Omega} = \delta \left(\frac{E}{\Lambda_\theta} \right) \frac{d\Gamma_0}{d\Omega}$$

δ depends on $\Lambda_\theta, m, E_0 = Z^2 13.6 \text{ eV}$ and the expansion parameters κ, a



- $\kappa = 0$ and $\kappa \geq 4$ - Analogous to parastatistics:

Previous analyses: $\delta \sim \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_\theta^{-2})$. We found that:

Λ_θ cancels in the matrix elements: no suppression as $\Lambda_\theta \rightarrow \infty$!

This agrees with a well known but result:

E.g. using $\psi_s \approx \varphi_{nS} \varphi_{n\bar{S}}$ then

$$\langle p, q | \psi_s \rangle \rightarrow \phi(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) := i \frac{\hat{\mathbf{c}} \cdot (\mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{q})}{mE_0} \psi_s^{(0)}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \in \mathcal{H}_-^{\otimes 2}$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{c}} = \frac{\mathbf{c}}{|\mathbf{c}|}, c^i = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ijk} c^j c^k$

- $0 < \kappa < 4$ - Analogous to quon model:

$$\delta \left(\frac{E}{\Lambda_\theta} \right) = \begin{cases} \gamma_{a\kappa} \left(\frac{m^{1-a/4} E_0^{a/4}}{\Lambda_\theta} \right)^\kappa & \kappa \leq 2 \\ \gamma_{a\kappa} \left(\frac{\sqrt{mE_0}}{\Lambda_\theta} \right)^{4-\kappa} & 2 < \kappa < 4 \end{cases}$$

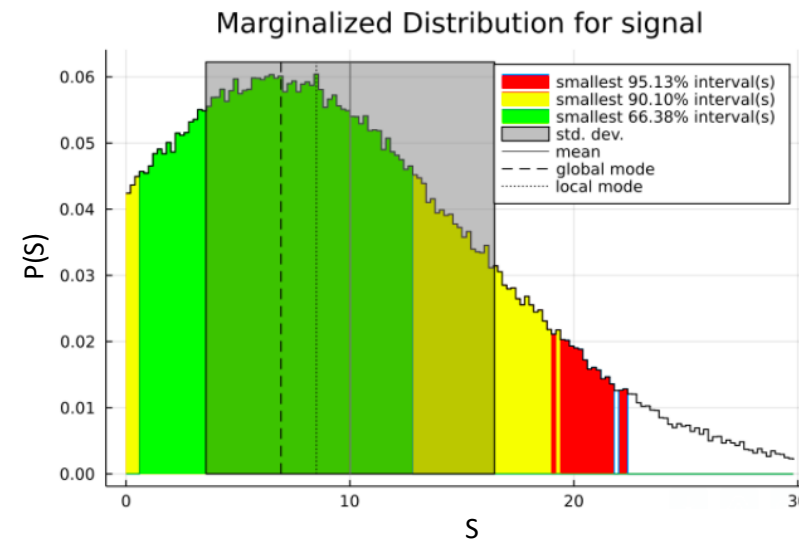
$\gamma_{a\kappa} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$. Strongest suppressions $\delta \sim \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_\theta^{-2})$

Atoms with $\frac{2E_0}{m} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ (e.g. Pb, Ta): δ 's same O.o.m for all $a \sim 1$

VIP experiments search for anomalous X-ray emissions in the low-background environment of the underground Gran Sasso National Laboratory of INFN



- Extract upper limit $\bar{S}$ on the number of PEPV counts S



- Convert into a lower limit on Λ_θ : $\Lambda_\theta \geq \left(\frac{\bar{S}}{\kappa}\right)^{\frac{1}{h(\kappa)}}$

Wait Kristian's talk for more details...

We obtain the strongest lower bounds on Λ_θ

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Final remarks

Motivations

- Violations of locality expected/predicted to emerge in the UV regime from **QG effects**
- Possibility to implement covariance provided by deformation of the Poincaré (Hopf-)algebra and statistics

Results:

- Generalized statistics yield perfectly **consistent QFT** even for strict braidings ($-1 < \eta < 1$). **Promising UV behaviour...**
- We provide the first **relativistic formulation of quon-model** for $-1 < \eta < 1$
- First detailed derivation of PEP-violating transition rates, showing much **richer phenomenology**
- Although based on too simplistic analyses, **previous bounds effectively hold**, corresponding to maximal suppressions $\Gamma_{PEPV} \sim \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_\theta^{-2})$
- Refined analysis yields stronger lower bounds: **no evidence of QG effects up to the Planck energy**

Thank you!

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Poles of G contain bound states

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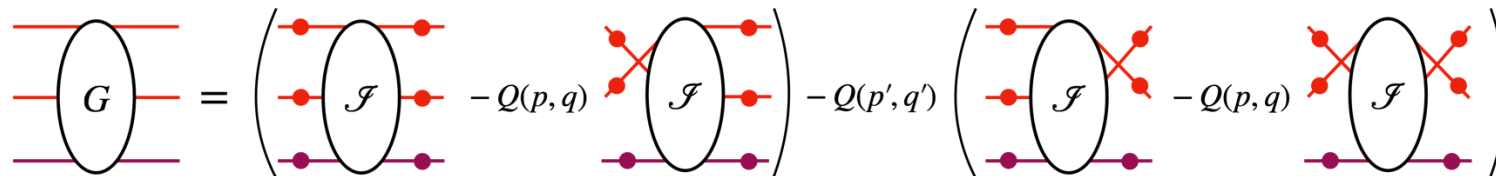
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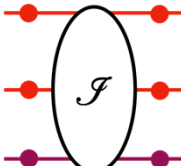
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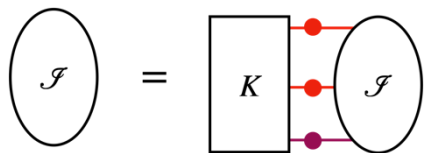


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yields B-S equation

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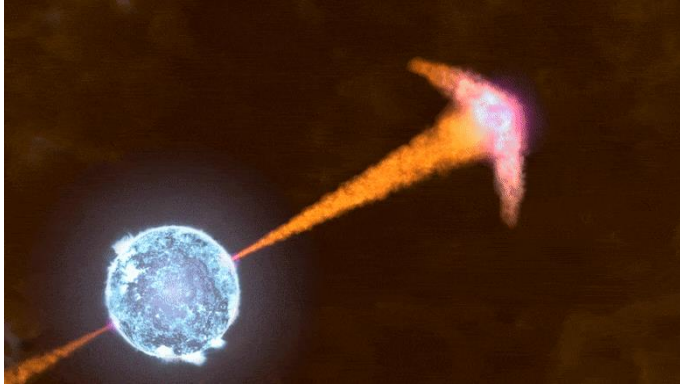


$$\tilde{\Phi}(p_1, p_2, p_n) \rightarrow \Psi(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_n) \rightarrow \psi(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)$$

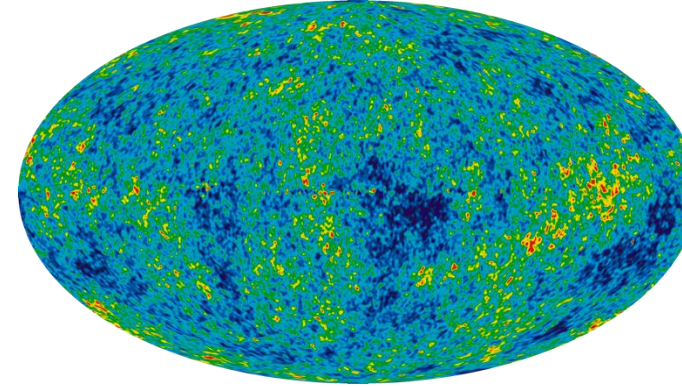
Salpeter 3D equation for two electrons in central field

$$\left[h_D^{(1)} + h_D^{(2)} + \mathcal{V}_1^+ + \mathcal{V}_2^+ + \mathcal{V}_{12}^+ \right] \psi = E\psi$$

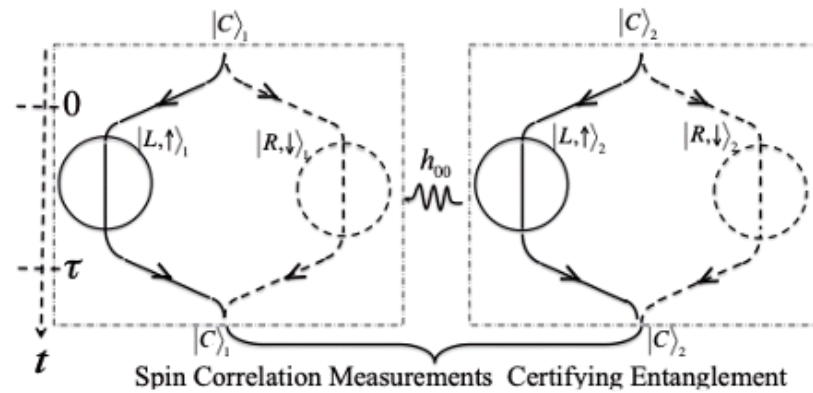
$$\mathcal{V} = \Lambda_+^{(1)} \Lambda_+^{(2)} V \Lambda_+^{(1)} \Lambda_+^{(2)}, \Lambda_+^{(i)} \text{ positive energy projectors}$$



20 years research of
in vacuo dispersion
effects in GRBs



No detection of tensor
B-modes in CMB
(primordial gravitons)



In future table-top tests of
gravity's quantumness

In a **4-dim spacetime** the spin-(para)statistics theorem follows directly from **locality** and **Poincaré invariance**

Guido & Longo Commun. Math. Phys 1995



PEP violations provide smoking guns for QG