# Torsional Newton-Cartan geometry in Lifshitz holography and non-relativistic FTs

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### Introduction

- holography beyond original AdS-setup
- apply to study of strongly coupled CM systems
   non-relativistic scaling -> Schroedinger, Lifshitz, hyperscaling violating geometries

 $t \to \lambda^z t$ ,  $\vec{x} \to \lambda \vec{x}$ .

- how general is the holographic paradigm ?
   (nature of quantum gravity, black hole physics)
- appearance of novel geometric structures on the boundary (this talk: TNC)
- exotic theories of gravity can be viewed as Schwinger source functionals of non-rel QFTs (``metric" couples to stress tensor) symmetries of FT -> symmetries of the coupled grav. theory and constrain form of source functionals

This talk:

 direct implementation of this in class of examples characterized by Lifshitz scaling symmetry and extended Schroedinger sym.
 + holographic realization within context of bulk Lifshitz spacetime

### Lifshitz spacetimes

Aim: construct holographic techniques for (strongly coupled) systems with NR symmetries

.ifshitz holography 
$$ds^2 = -rac{dt^2}{r^{2z}} + rac{1}{r^2}\left(dr^2 + dec{x}^2
ight)$$

[Kachru,Liu,Mulligan] [Taylor]

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Lifshitz  
$$H, P_a, J_{ab}, D, \quad G_a, N, K(z = 2)$$
  
Schroedinger

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-> Lifshitz holography dual to field theories on torsional Newton-Cartan spacetime

[Hartong,Kiritsis,NO]

## Overview of recent background

- bdry geometry for Lifshitz spacetimes is torsional Newton-Cartan (TNC) geometry (novel extension of NC)
- first observed for specific z=2 example (in 4D): [Christensen,Hartong,NO,Rollier]
   \* Scherk-Schwarz dim. reduction (null on bdry) from 5D AlAdS solution
- generalized to large class of arbitrary z (in EPD model) (sources: use vielbein formalism + appropriate lin. combo)

[Hartong,Kiritsis,NO]1

coupling of TNC to non-rel (bdry) FTs
-> vevs (stress tensor, mass current)
 & WIs in TNC covariant form

[Hartong,Kiritsis,NO]2,3 see also: []ensen/Jensen,Karch]

- TNC geometry arises by gauging the Schroedinger algebra [Bergshoeff,Hartong,Rossee]]
- TNC natural geometry (warped geometry) that couples to WCFT [Hofmann,Rollier]
  - recent activity using NC/TNC in CM (strongly-correlated electron system, FQH)

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## Plan & preview

1. Mini-intro to NC geometry

time-like vielbein  $\tau_{\mu}$ , space-like vielbeins  $e^a_{\mu}$  and a vector field  $M_{\mu}$ ,

- 2. holography for Lifshitz spacetimes and TNC geometry
- 3. scale invariant field theories on TNC backgrounds
  \* the vector field can make a global U(1) into local sym.

#### 4. flat NC spacetime

\* comes with function M (in  $M_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu}M$ )

\* local symmetries can generate non-trivial orbit of equivalent M

#### 5. scale-invariant field theories on flat NC

\* novel mechanism: M can be eaten up by physical fields generating extra global symmetries (e.g. Galilean boost) beyond Lif (-> Sch.)

#### 6. Lifsthiz vacuum

- \* exhibits source M transforming under local Sch (Lif realized by Killing)
- \* scalar probes on Lif bgr that are Sch invariant by similar mechanism as in FT \* conserved (or improved) current: global U(1)

## Newton-Cartan makes Galilean local

Riemannian geometry: tangent space is Poincare invariant

NC geometry: tangent space is Bargmann (central ext. Gal.) invariant

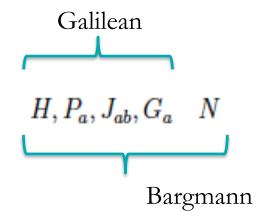
Andringa,Bergshoeff,Panda,de Roo

here: only interested in geometrical framework; not in action/EOMs boundary geometry in holographic setup is non-dynamical

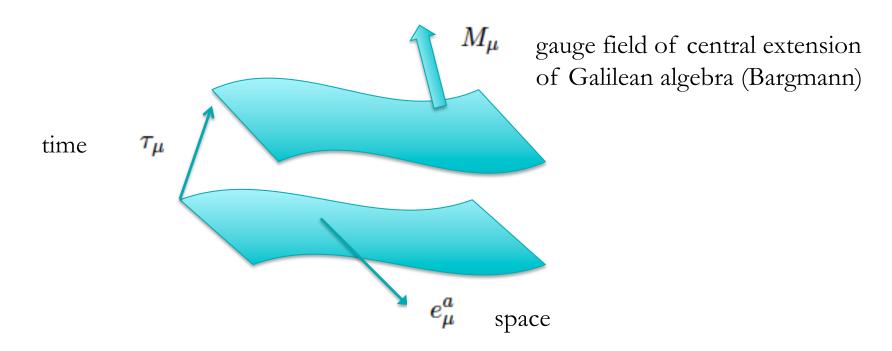


dynamical (torsional) Newton-Cartan = HL gravity [see talk Jelle Hartong (Tuesday)] Hartong,NO (to appear)

#### Note:



### Newton-Cartan geometry



• Newton-Cartan (NC):  $\tau_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} t$ 

notion of absolute time

• twistless torsional NC:  $\tau_{\mu} = \text{HSO}$ 

preferred foliation in equal time slices

• torsional NC (TNC): no conditions

### EPD model and AlLif spacetimes

- bulk theory

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( R - \frac{1}{4} Z(\Phi) F^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\partial \Phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} W(\Phi) B^2 - V(\Phi) \right)$$

• admits Lifshitz solutions with z>1

For AlLif BCs useful to write:

$$ds^{2} = \frac{dr^{2}}{R(\Phi)r^{2}} - E^{0}E^{0} + \delta_{ab}E^{a}E^{b}, \qquad B_{M} = A_{M} - \partial_{M}\Xi$$

then AlLif BCs

[Ross],[Christensen,Hartong,NO,Rollier] [Hartong,Kiritsis,NO]1

$$\begin{split} E^0_\mu &\simeq r^{-z} \tau_\mu \,, \qquad E^a_\mu \simeq r^{-1} e^a_\mu \,, \\ B_\mu &- \alpha(\Phi) E^0_\mu \simeq -r^{z-2} M_\mu \,. \end{split} \qquad \Phi \simeq r^\Delta \phi \,, \end{split}$$

Stueckelberg decomposition:  $M_{\mu} = \tilde{m}_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu} \chi$ .

### Transformation of sources

use local bulk symmetries:

local Lorentz, gauge transformations and diffs preserving metric gauge

these symmetries induce an action on sources:  $au_{\mu} \quad e^a_{\mu} \quad M_{\mu}$ 

= action of Bargmann algebra plus local dilatations = Schroedinger

$$\begin{split} \delta \tau_{\mu} &= \mathcal{L}_{\xi} \tau_{\mu} + z \Lambda_{D} \tau_{\mu} ,\\ \delta e^{a}_{\mu} &= \mathcal{L}_{\xi} e^{a}_{\mu} + \lambda^{a} \tau_{\mu} + \lambda^{a}_{b} e^{b}_{\mu} + \Lambda_{D} e^{a}_{\mu} ,\\ \delta M_{\mu} &= \mathcal{L}_{\xi} M_{\mu} + e^{a}_{\mu} \lambda_{a} + (2 - z) \Lambda_{D} M_{\mu} ,\end{split}$$

there is thus a Schroedinger Lie algebra valued connection given by

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mu} = H\tau_{\mu} + P_{a}e^{a}_{\mu} + G_{a}\omega_{\mu}{}^{a} + \frac{1}{2}J_{ab}\omega_{\mu}{}^{ab} + Nm_{\mu} + Db_{\mu}$$

with appropriate curvature constrains that reproduces trafos of the sources

#### Torsional Newton-Cartan (TNC) geometry

the bdry geometry is novel extension of NC geometry

- inverse vielbeins  $(v^{\mu}, e^{\mu}_{a})$ 

 $v^{\mu}\tau_{\mu} = -1$ ,  $v^{\mu}e^{a}_{\mu} = 0$ ,  $e^{\mu}_{a}\tau_{\mu} = 0$ ,  $e^{\mu}_{a}e^{b}_{\mu} = \delta^{b}_{a}$ 

can build Galilean boost-invariants

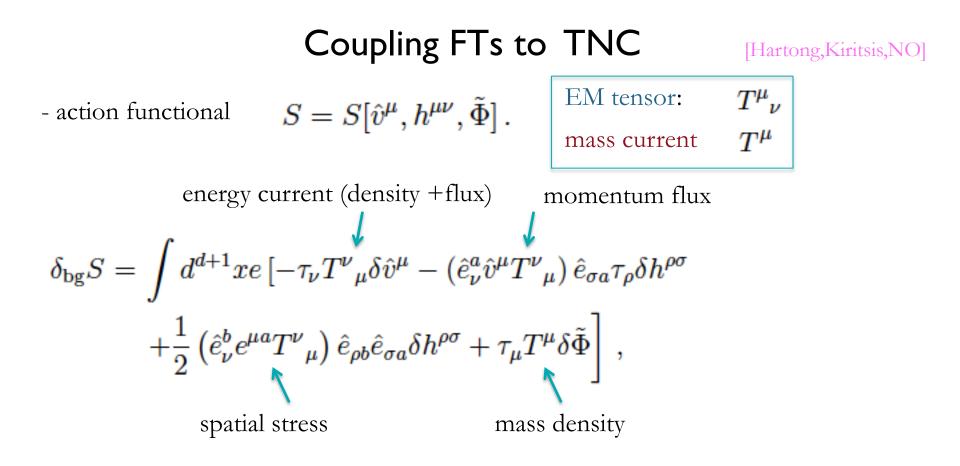
 $h_{\mu\nu} = e^a_\mu e^b_\nu \delta_{ab}$ 

$$\begin{split} \hat{v}^{\mu} &= v^{\mu} - h^{\mu\nu} M_{\nu} ,\\ \bar{h}_{\mu\nu} &= h_{\mu\nu} - \tau_{\mu} M_{\nu} - \tau_{\nu} M_{\mu} ,\\ \tilde{\Phi} &= -v^{\mu} M_{\mu} + \frac{1}{2} h^{\mu\nu} M_{\mu} M_{\nu} , \end{split}$$

affine connection of TNC  

$$\Gamma^{\rho}_{\mu\nu} = -\hat{v}^{\rho}\partial_{\mu}\tau_{\nu} + \frac{1}{2}h^{\rho\sigma}\left(\partial_{\mu}\bar{h}_{\nu\sigma} + \partial_{\nu}\bar{h}_{\mu\sigma} - \partial_{\sigma}\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}\right)$$
with torsion  $\Gamma^{\rho}_{[\mu\nu]} = -\frac{1}{2}\hat{v}^{\rho}(\partial_{\mu}\tau_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}\tau_{\mu})$ 

$$\nabla_{\mu}\tau_{\nu}=0\,,\qquad \nabla_{\mu}h^{\nu\rho}=0\,,$$



- from the various local symmetries:

$$\begin{split} e^{-1}\partial_{\mu}\left(eT^{\mu}\right) &= \langle O_{\chi}\rangle, & \text{particle number conservation (Stueckelberg U(1))}\\ \hat{e}_{\mu}^{a}T^{\mu} - \tau_{\nu}e^{\mu a}T^{\nu}{}_{\mu} &= 0. & \text{mass current= momentum current (local boosts)}\\ \hat{e}_{\nu}^{[a}e^{b]\mu}T^{\nu}{}_{\mu} &= 0. & \text{symmetric spatial stress (local rotations)} \end{split}$$

#### Diffeomorphism and scale Ward identities

- diffeos -> on-shell WI

$$0 = e^{-1}\partial_{\nu} \left( eT^{\nu}{}_{\mu} \right) + T^{\rho}{}_{\nu} \left( \hat{v}^{\nu}\partial_{\mu}\tau_{\rho} - e^{\nu}_{a}\partial_{\mu}\hat{e}^{a}_{\rho} \right) + \tau_{\nu}T^{\nu}\partial_{\mu}\tilde{\Phi} \,.$$

\* conserved currents  $\partial_{\nu} \left( e K^{\mu} T^{\nu}{}_{\mu} \right) = 0$ .

for K a TNC Killing vector:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\xi}\hat{v}^{\mu} = 0, \qquad \mathcal{L}_{\xi}h^{\mu\nu} = 0, \qquad \mathcal{L}_{\xi}\tilde{\Phi} = 0,$$

#### - if theory has scale invariance:

can use TNC analogue of dilatation connection

$$-z\tau_{\nu}\hat{v}^{\mu}T^{\nu}{}_{\mu}+\hat{e}^{a}_{\nu}e^{\mu a}T^{\nu}{}_{\mu}+2(z-1)\tau_{\mu}T^{\mu}\tilde{\Phi}=0\,.$$

z-deformed trace WI

### Schroedinger model & Lifshitz model

- simplest toy model for coupling non-rel. scale-inv theory to TNC (z=2)

$$S = \int d^{d+1}xe \left( -i\phi^{\star}\hat{v}^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\phi + i\phi\hat{v}^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\phi^{\star} - h^{\mu\nu}\partial_{\mu}\phi\partial_{\nu}\phi^{\star} - 2\tilde{\Phi}\phi\phi^{\star} - V_0(\phi\phi^{\star})^{\frac{d+2}{d}} \right)_{(d)}$$

-> gives Schr. equation

\* can also consider deformations preserving local scale inv

- other possibility: do not couple to  $\tilde{\Phi}$  -> e.g. z=2 Lifshitz model

$$S = \int d^{d+1}x e \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \hat{v}^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} \phi \right)^2 - \frac{\lambda}{2} \left( h^{\mu\nu} \nabla_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \phi \right)^2 \right] \, .$$

• more generally:  $S = S[\hat{v}^{\mu}, h^{\mu\nu}]$ . .->  $S = S[\hat{v}^{\mu}, g^{\mu\nu}]$ .

 $g^{\mu\nu} = -\hat{v}^{\mu}\hat{v}^{\nu} + h^{\mu\nu}$  situation considered in [Hoyos,Kim,Oz]

\* special case:  $S = S[g^{\mu\nu}].$ 

#### Flat NC spacetime

to study FTs on flat NC: first need to define notion of flat NC - use global inertial coordinates  $(t, x^i)$ 

$$\tau_{\mu} = \delta^{t}_{\mu} , \qquad e^{a}_{\mu} = \delta^{i}_{\mu} \delta^{a}_{i} . \longrightarrow \qquad \begin{array}{l} h^{tt} = h^{ti} = 0 , \quad h^{ij} = \delta^{ij} , \\ v^{\mu} = -\delta^{\mu}_{t} , \\ h_{tt} = h_{ti} = 0 , \quad h_{ij} = \delta_{ij} . \end{array}$$

$$\Gamma^{\rho}_{\mu\nu} = 0 \rightarrow M_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu}M$$
.

choice of vector field is motivated by looking at geodesics

flat space should include M=const.
\* will see that we can allow for more general choices: equiv. to M=const by local syms of the theory -> defines the notion of orbit of M

#### residual coordinate trafos of flat NC

trafos of the TNC geometry that leave flat NC invariant (up to local rescaling) ?
 (analogue of Poincare (conformal) for Minkowski)

\* finite versions: t

$$\begin{array}{ll} M'(x) = M(x) + C \\ t' = t + a & M'(x') = M(x) \\ x'^i = x^i + a^i & M'(x') = M(x) \\ x'^i = R^i{}_j x^j & M'(x') = M(x) \\ t' = \lambda^z t & x'^i = \lambda x^i & M'(x') = \lambda^{2-z} M(x) \\ x'^i = x^i + v^i t & t' = t & M'(x') = M(x) - \frac{1}{2} v^i v^i t + v^i x^i \end{array}$$

plus special conformal transformation for z=2

$$t' = \frac{t}{1 - ct}, \qquad x'^i = \frac{x^i}{1 - ct}, \qquad M'(x') = M(x) + \frac{c}{2} \frac{x^i x^i}{1 - ct}.$$

## Scale invariant FTs on flat NC

- role of M is non-trivial: consider the toy FT models
  - (deformed) Schroedinger model:

$$\begin{split} S &= \int d^{d+1}x \left( -\varphi^2 \left[ \partial_t \left( \theta + M \right) + \frac{1}{2} \partial_i \left( \theta + M \right) \partial^i \left( \theta + M \right) + a \partial_i \partial^i \left( \theta + M \right) \right] \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \partial_i \varphi \partial^i \varphi - V_0 \varphi^{\frac{2(d+2)}{d}} \left( 1 + b \theta^2 \right) \right) \,, \end{split}$$

• Lifshitz model:

$$S = \int d^{d+1}x \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \partial_t \phi + \partial^i M \partial_i \phi \right)^2 - \frac{\lambda}{2} \left( \partial_i \partial^i \phi \right)^2 \right].$$

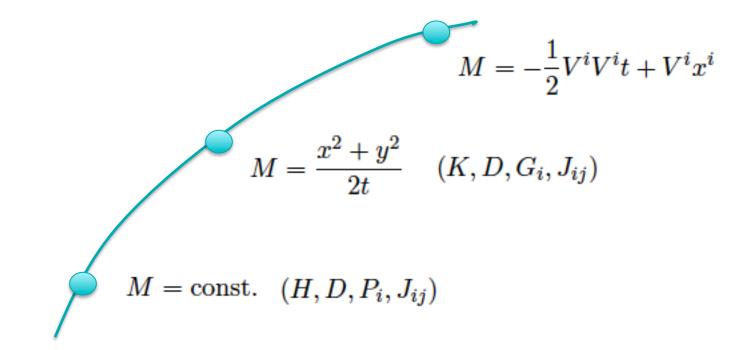
can we remove M by local transformations (field redefinitions) ? and get M=const. : depends on the model in question

b=0: 
$$\tilde{\theta} = \theta + M$$
  $\longrightarrow$  Sch-invariant for a=0  
Lif + Galilean boost for a not zero  
(consequence of local U(1) symmetry)  
b not zero  
& Lifsthiz model  $\longrightarrow$  only Lif invariance

## Orbits of M

- the M functions related to M=const by residual trafos define orbit

\* maximal orbit underlies Sch symmetry (as in undeformed Sch model)



- for each choice of M: CKVs form a Lifshitz subalgebra

• residual trafos of flat NC with  $\delta M = 0$ 

-> will be useful next when we look at Lif vacuum (in holography)

## Symmetries of the Lifshitz vacuum (back to holography)

[Kiritsis,Hartong,NO]3

- what is bulk realization of residual syms of flat NC?

Lif metric for any M in flat NC-orbit

$$ds^{2} = \left(\frac{dr}{r} - \frac{1}{d}\partial_{i}\partial^{i}Mdt\right)^{2} - \frac{dt^{2}}{r^{2z}} + \frac{1}{r^{2}}\left(dx^{i} - \partial^{i}Mdt\right)^{2}.$$

- sources for Lif vacuum transform under Sch group (via bulk PBH trafos)
  - trafos for given M in M=const orbit: Lifshitz
  - delta M trafos lie in Sch algebra

- in suitable bulk coords this is dual to:

flat NC with CKVs spanning Lif and Sch realized locally on  $M_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu}M$ .

- possible to have conserved particle number associated to local shifts in M (generated by Galilean and special conformal)

### Schroedinger invariant probe actions

have seen: FTs on flat NC realize Sch with mechanism in which M is ``eaten" up (generators outside Lif are realized as projective transformations)

> -> projective realizations of spacetime syms cannot be predicted by looking at Killing vectors

- can construct z=2 probe actions on Lifshitz bulk geometries that are invariant under Sch (in same manner as in FT setting)

use covariant characterization of Lif  $B^2$  –

 $ds^{2} = (-B_{M}B_{N} + \gamma_{MN}) dx^{M} dx^{N}$  $B^{2} = -1 \qquad \gamma_{MN} \text{ is orthogonal to } B^{M}$ 

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( \gamma^{MN} \partial_M \phi^* \partial_N \phi + iq \phi^* B^M \partial_M \phi - iq \phi B^M \partial_M \phi^* - (m^2 - q^2) \phi^* \phi \right)$$

eat up M: 
$$\phi = \exp[-iqM - \frac{i}{4}qr^2\partial^2 M]\tilde{\phi}$$
 + use all props of M  
 $r^2\left(\partial_i\partial^i\tilde{\phi} + 2iq\partial_t\tilde{\phi}\right) + r^2\partial_r^2\tilde{\phi} - 3r\partial_r\tilde{\phi} - (m^2 - q^2)\tilde{\phi} = 0$ 

## Summary

 holography for Lifshitz spacetimes: Schroedinger symmetry acting on sources (TNC geometry)
 -> strongly suggest that bdry theory can have Schroedinger invariance

[Hartong,Kiritsis,NO]1,2,3

Main overall points of this talk:

- appearance of global symmetries in non-relativistic field theories exhibits a new mechanism:
  - \* interplay between conserved currents and space-time isometries is different compared to relativistic case
- supported by considering the Lifshitz vacuum:
  - = holographic dual of flat NC spacetime

-> Lifshitz holography dual to field theories on TNC spacetime

## Next steps

- new perspective on existing results: comparison to linearized perturbations relation between  $\tilde{\Phi}$  and  $\psi$ .
- EMD model (emergence of TNC, and role of U(1) ?), adding charge ?
- adding other exponents: (logarithmic running of scalar) alpha/zeta-deformation

 $A_{a} = r^{-z-\zeta} \alpha_{(0)} \tau_{(0)a} \qquad [Kiritsis,Goutereaux][Gath,Hartong,Monteiro,NO] \\ [Khveshchenko][Karch][Hartnoll,Karch]$ 

Lifsthiz: [Hoyos,Kim,Oz]

- applications to non-rel. hydrodynamics: Galilean: [Jensen]
   fluid/gravity: black branes with zero/non-zero particle no. ? Galilean perfect fluids
- TNC right ingredients to start constructing effective TNC theories and their coupling to matter (e.g. QH-effect) [Son] et al
- Schroedinger holography [Andrade, Keeler, Peach, Ross, ][Armas, Blau, Hartong(in progress)]
- 3D bulk (Virasoro-Schroedinger) & connection to Warped CFTs [Hofman,Rollier]
- HL gravity (see talk Jelle Hartong)

[Hartong,NO(to appear)]

## The end

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