

The Euclidean vacuum state for linearized gravity on de Sitter spacetime

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CCR*-algebras

Let (\mathcal{Y}, q) be a Hermitian space.

- ▶ One can introduce the abstract **CCR *-algebra** $\text{CCR}(\mathcal{Y}, q)$ generated by the symbols $\psi(y), \psi^*(y)$ for $y \in \mathcal{Y}$ with relations:

- 1) $\mathcal{Y} \ni y \mapsto \psi^*(y)$ resp. $\psi(y)$ linear resp. anti-linear,
- 2) $[\psi(y_1), \psi^*(y_2)] = \bar{y}_1 \cdot q y_2 \mathbb{1}, \quad y_1, y_2 \in \mathcal{Y},$
- 3) $[\psi(y_1), \psi(y_2)] = [\psi^*(y_1), \psi^*(y_2)] = 0, \quad y_1, y_2 \in \mathcal{Y},$
- 4) $\psi(y)^* = \psi^*(y), \quad y \in \mathcal{Y}.$

Quasi-free states

- ▶ A **quasi-free state** ω on $\text{CCR}(\mathcal{Y}, q)$ is determined by a pair of Hermitian forms λ^\pm on \mathcal{Y} (called the **covariances**) by

$$\omega(\psi(y_1)\psi^*(y_2)) = \bar{y}_1 \cdot \lambda^+ y_2,$$

$$\omega(\psi^*(y_2)\psi(y_1)) = \bar{y}_1 \cdot \lambda^- y_2,$$

$$\omega(\psi(y_1)\psi(y_2)) = \omega(\psi^*(y_1)\psi^*(y_2)) = 0.$$

- ▶ Necessary and sufficient conditions for λ^\pm to be covariances are

$$1) \quad \lambda^+ - \lambda^- = q \text{ (CCR),}$$

$$2) \quad \lambda^\pm \geq 0 \text{ (positivity).}$$

- ▶ Useful to introduce $c^\pm =: \pm q^{-1} \circ \lambda^\pm$. Then $c^+ + c^- = \mathbb{1}$ and ω is **pure** iff c^\pm are **projections**.

Quasi-free states for matter fields

- ▶ Let (M, g) a globally hyperbolic spacetime, $V \xrightarrow{\pi} M$ a finite rank Hermitian bundle.
- ▶ Let D a second order differential operator acting on $C^\infty(M; V)$ such that $D = D^*$ with principal symbol $\xi \cdot g^{-1} \xi \mathbb{1}_V$.
- ▶ standard example is the **Klein-Gordon operator** $D = -\square$, acting on scalar functions.
- ▶ D has unique advanced/retarded inverses $G_{\text{ret/adv}}$, $G := G_{\text{ret}} - G_{\text{adv}}$ is the **commutator function**.

The various Hermitian spaces

- ▶ 'off shell' Hermitian space is $\frac{C_0^\infty(M; V)}{DC_0^\infty(M; V)}$ with

$$\overline{[u]} \cdot Q[u] = i(u|Gu)_V.$$

- ▶ 'on shell' Hermitian space is $\text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D$ (space of solutions) with

$$\overline{u} \cdot qu = i \int_{\Sigma} n^a J_a(u, u) d\text{Vol}_h,$$

$\Sigma \subset M$ (any) Cauchy surface, n future directed unit normal,
 $J_a(u, u)$ conserved current.

- ▶ 'Cauchy surface' Hermitian space is $C_0^\infty(\Sigma; V \otimes \mathbb{C}^2)$ with

$$\overline{f} \cdot q_{\Sigma} f = \int_{\Sigma} (f_1|f_0)_V + (f_0|f_1)_V d\text{Vol}_h, \quad f = \begin{pmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The various covariances

- ▶ **All three Hermitian spaces are isomorphic.** One can use any of the three to construct $\text{CCR}(\mathcal{Y}, q)$.
- ▶ **'off shell' covariances:** a pair $\Lambda^\pm : C_0^\infty(M; V) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(M; V)$ such that

$$(1) \quad D \circ \Lambda^\pm = \Lambda^\pm \circ D = 0 \text{ (field equation)}$$

$$(2) \quad \Lambda^+ - \Lambda^- = iG, \text{ (CCR),}$$

$$(3) \quad (u|\Lambda^\pm u)_V \geq 0, \quad u \in C_0^\infty(M; V), \text{ (positivity).}$$

- ▶ **'Cauchy surface' covariances:** a pair $\lambda_\Sigma^\pm : C_0^\infty(\Sigma; V \otimes \mathbb{C}^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(\Sigma; V \otimes \mathbb{C}^2)$ such that:

$$(1) \quad \lambda_\Sigma^+ - \lambda_\Sigma^- = q_\Sigma, \text{ (CCR),}$$

$$(2) \quad (f|\lambda_\Sigma^\pm f)_{V \otimes \mathbb{C}^2} \geq 0, \quad f \in C_0^\infty(\Sigma; V \otimes \mathbb{C}^2), \text{ (positivity).}$$

The various covariances

- ▶ The two types of covariances are related by

$$\lambda_{\Sigma}^{\pm} = (\rho^* q_{\Sigma})^* \Lambda^{\pm} (\rho^* q_{\Sigma}),$$

$$\Lambda^{\pm} = (\rho G)^* \lambda_{\Sigma}^{\pm} (\rho G),$$

where $\rho u = \begin{pmatrix} u|_{\Sigma} \\ i^{-1} \nabla_n u|_{\Sigma} \end{pmatrix}$ is the **trace** of u on Σ .

The Hadamard condition

- ▶ The **Hadamard condition** on Λ^\pm singles out the physically meaningful states:

$$\mathrm{WF}(\Lambda^\pm)' \subset \mathcal{N}^\pm \times \mathcal{N}^\pm,$$

where:

$$\mathcal{N} = \{(x, \xi) \in T^*M \setminus o : \chi \cdot \mathbf{g}^{-1}(x)\xi = 0\},$$

characteristic manifold aka lightcone,

$$\mathcal{N}^\pm = \text{positive/negative energy components of } \mathcal{N},$$

- ▶ $\text{WF}(\Lambda^\pm)' \subset T^*(M \times M) \setminus o$ is the **wavefront set** of $\Lambda^\pm \in \mathcal{D}'(M \times M; V \boxtimes V)$ (distributional kernel of Λ^\pm).

The Hadamard condition

- ▶ The Hadamard condition can also be formulated on the **Cauchy surface covariances** λ_{Σ}^{\pm} (recall $\lambda^{\pm} = \pm q_{\Sigma} \circ c^{\pm}$):

$$\text{WF}(U_{\Sigma} \circ c^{\pm})' \subset (\mathcal{N}^{\pm} \cup \mathcal{F}) \times T^*\Sigma,$$

over $V \times \Sigma$, where:

- ▶ U_{Σ} solves the Cauchy problem for D , ie

$$\begin{cases} D \circ U_{\Sigma} = 0, \\ \rho_{\Sigma} \circ U_{\Sigma} = \mathbb{1}. \end{cases}$$

- ▶ $\mathcal{F} \subset T^*M \setminus o$ any conic set with $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{N} = \emptyset$.

Wick rotation

- ▶ Assume that $M = I_t \times \Sigma$, $\mathbf{g} = -dt^2 + h_t(x)dx^2$ and h_t **real analytic** in t near $t = 0$.
- ▶ **Wick rotation** amounts to set $t =: is$ ($dt = ids$ etc). We obtain $\tilde{M} = \tilde{I}_s \times \Sigma$ with a metric $\tilde{\mathbf{g}} = ds^2 + h_{is}(x)dx^2$.
- ▶ Note that $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}$ is in general **not Riemannian**.
- ▶ The operator D becomes \tilde{D} , which is **elliptic**, at least near $s = 0$.

Calderón projectors

- ▶ Let $\Omega^\pm = \tilde{M} \cap \{\pm s > 0\}$. For $u \in \overline{C^\infty}(\Omega^\pm)$ we set

$$\tilde{\rho}u = \begin{pmatrix} u|_\Sigma \\ -\partial_s u|_\Sigma \end{pmatrix}.$$

- ▶ **Key fact:** the spaces

$$E^\pm = \{\tilde{\rho}u : u \in \overline{C^\infty}(\Omega^\pm), \tilde{D}u = 0 \text{ in } \Omega^\pm\}$$

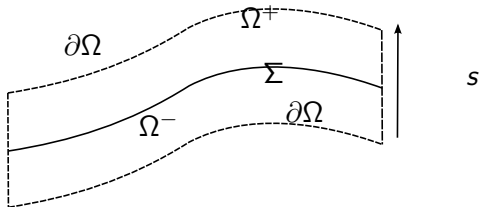
are not equal to $C^\infty(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}^2)$: **one cannot solve the Cauchy problem for an elliptic equation !**

Calderón projectors

- ▶ The **Calderón projectors** \tilde{c}^\pm are the projections on E^\pm along E^\mp .
- ▶ This requires that $E^+ \cap E^- = \{0\}$ or equivalently \tilde{D} **injective**
- ▶ $E^+ + E^- = C^\infty(\Sigma; \mathbb{C}^2)$ or equivalently \tilde{D} **surjective**.
- ▶ To do this \tilde{D} has to be defined as a linear operator, not only as a formal expression:
put **boundary conditions** on $\partial\Omega$!

Some background on quasi-free states
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Hadamard states from Calderón projectors

- ▶ For **scalar fields** one can put **Dirichlet boundary conditions** on $\partial\Omega$ to make \tilde{D} invertible.

Theorem (GW)

Let

$$\lambda_{\Sigma}^{\pm} = \pm q_{\Sigma} \circ \tilde{c}^{\pm}.$$

Then λ_{Σ}^{\pm} are the Cauchy surface covariances of a **Hadamard state**.

- ▶ For ultrastatic spacetimes $g = -dt^2 + h$, $\tilde{g} = ds^2 + h$, the state obtained with Calderón projectors with **no boundary conditions** (ie $\tilde{I} = \mathbb{R}$) is the **vacuum state**.

Einstein's equations

- ▶ $\text{Ric}_{ab}(\mathbf{g}) = R_{acb}{}^c$, Ricci curvature.
- ▶ Einstein's equations:

$$\text{Ric}(\mathbf{g}) = \Lambda \mathbf{g}, \quad \Lambda \text{ cosmological constant.}$$

- ▶ non-linear system of PDE for \mathbf{g} .
- ▶ not hyperbolic.
- ▶ Cauchy problem ill posed: Einstein equations imply constraints on Cauchy data.
- ▶ gauge equivalence: two metrics \mathbf{g} and $\chi^*\mathbf{g}$ where $\chi : M \rightarrow M$ diffeomorphism are physically equivalent.

Linearized gravity

- fix a **background metric** g solution of Einstein equations and linearize around g , ie write

$$(\text{Ric} - \Lambda)(g + \epsilon u) = (\text{Ric} - \Lambda)(g) + \epsilon Pu + O(\epsilon^2),$$

for $u \in C^\infty(M; \otimes_s^2 T^*M)$.

- The equation

$$Pu = 0$$

is called the **linearized Einstein equations**.

- Similarly linearize a diffeomorphism χ around $\mathbb{1}$: we obtain

$$\chi^* = \mathbb{1} + \epsilon \mathcal{L}_v + O(\epsilon^2),$$

\mathcal{L}_v is the **Lie derivative** associated to the vector field v .

Some background

- Set $V_k = \mathbb{C} \otimes_s^k T^*M$, $k = 0, 1, 2$.
 V_k equipped with the **Hermitian form**

$$(u|u)_{V_k} = k! \bar{u} \cdot (\mathbf{g}^{\otimes k}(x))^{-1} u, \quad u \in V_k(x),$$

$$(u|v)_{V_k} = \int_M (u(x)|v(x))_{V_k} d\text{Vol}_{\mathbf{g}}$$

For example

$$(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{g})_{V_2} = 8, \quad (\mathbf{g}|u)_{V_2} = 2 \text{tr}_{\mathbf{g}} u = 2g^{ab} u_{ab}.$$

physical Hermitian form: $(u|v)_{I,V_2} := (u|lv)_{V_2}$, *I trace reversal*
 (see below).)

Symmetric differential and co-differential

- **symmetric differential**: we set

$$d : C^\infty(M; V_k) \rightarrow C^\infty(M; V_{k+1})$$

$$(du)_{a_1, \dots, a_{k+1}} = \nabla_{(a_1} u_{a_2, \dots, a_{k+1})},$$

$u_{(a_1 \dots a_k)}$ is the symmetrization of $u_{a_1 \dots a_k}$,

- **symmetric co-differential**

$$\delta : C^\infty(M; V_k) \rightarrow C^\infty(M; V_{k-1})$$

$$(\delta u)_{a_1, \dots, a_{k-1}} = -k \nabla^a u_{aa_1 \dots a_{k-1}}.$$

$d^* = \delta$ w.r.t. the Hermitian form $(\cdot | \cdot)_{V_k}$.

Trace reversal

- **Trace reversal:** I is orthogonal symmetry w.r.t. $\mathbb{C}\mathbf{g}$:

$$Iu_2 = u_2 - \frac{1}{4}\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{g}|u_2)v_2,$$

- one has

$$I^2 = \mathbb{1}, I\mathbf{g} = -\mathbf{g}, I = I^* \text{ for } (\cdot|\cdot)_{V_2}.$$

Linearized gravity as a gauge theory

- Tedious computation shows that:

$$P = -I \circ \square - d \circ \delta \circ I + 2I \circ \mathbf{Riem},$$

for

►

$$\mathbf{Riem} u_{ab} = R^c{}_{ab}{}^d u_{cd},$$

(preserves symmetric 2-tensors because of symmetries of the Riemann tensor), and

$$P \circ d = 0.$$

- The map $u_2 \rightarrow u_2 + du_1$ corresponds to **linearized gauge transformations** (preserves solutions of $Pu = 0$).

Linearized gravity as a gauge theory

- ▶ replace u_2 by lu_2 .
- ▶ P becomes

$$P = -\square - l \circ d \circ \delta + 2\text{Riem},$$

- ▶ set

$$K := l \circ d.$$

- ▶ The **gauge invariance** of P is expressed by

$$P \circ K = 0,$$

- ▶ u_2 and $u_2 + Ku_1$ are **equivalent solutions** of $Pu_2 = 0$.
- ▶ the **Hermitian space** is

$$\frac{\text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} P}{\text{Ran}_{\text{sc}} K},$$

ie solutions of linearized Einstein modulo gauge equivalence.

Quantization of linearized gravity

- ▶ To quantize linearized gravity we need to equip $\frac{\text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} P}{\text{Ran}_{\text{sc}} K}$ with a **Hermitian form**.
- ▶ To do this one uses **gauge fixing**. We follow here the nice exposition in [Hack-Schenkel]:
- ▶ one adds the gauge condition $K^* u = 0$ ie $\delta u = 0$ (**harmonic gauge** condition).
- ▶ here A^* is the adjoint w.r.t. the **physical Hermitian form**

$$(u|u)_{I, V_2} = (u|Iu)_{V_2}.$$

- ▶ for any u_2 with $Pu_2 = 0$ there exists u_1 such that $K^*(u_2 + Ku_1) = 0$.
- ▶ u_1 is unique modulo a solution of $K^*Ku_1 = 0$ (**residual gauge freedom**).

- $$\frac{\text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} P}{\text{Ran}_{\text{sc}} K} \sim \frac{\text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_2 \cap \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} K^*}{K \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_1},$$

$$D_1 := K^* \circ K = -\square + \Lambda.$$

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Further gauge fixing

- ▶ It is possible to impose further gauge fixing conditions, for example the **traceless gauge**

$$K_0^* u_2 = 0$$

for $K_0^* u_2 = -\text{tr}_{\mathbf{g}} u_2$, $K_0 u_0 = u_0 \mathbf{g}$.

- ▶ One obtains then the equivalent Hermitian space

$$\frac{\text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_2 \cap \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} K^* \cap \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} K_0^*}{K \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_1 \cap \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} K_0^*},$$

- ▶ It is also possible to **change the gauge fixing condition**. For example the condition:

$$\delta u_2 + \epsilon d \text{tr}_{\mathbf{g}} u_2 = 0,$$

for $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}$ has been used in the Euclidean framework.

- ▶ Leads to different operators D ; (leading term no more scalar).

- ▶ $\frac{\text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} P}{\text{Ran}_{\text{sc}} K}$ represents the 'on shell' Hermitian space.
- ▶ the corresponding 'off shell' Hermitian space is

$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{\text{Ker}_c K^*}{\text{Ran}_c P}.$$

- ▶ One equips it with the Hermitian form

$$\overline{[u]} \cdot Q[u] = i(u | G_2 u)_{I, V_2},$$

for $G_2 = G_{2\text{ret}} - G_{2\text{adv}}$.

Cauchy surface Hermitian space

- ▶ We have $D_2 \circ K = K \circ D_1$ and (taking adjoints)
 $K^* \circ D_2 = D_1 \circ K^*$.

- ▶ therefore

$$K : \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_1 \rightarrow \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_2,$$

$$K^* : \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_2 \rightarrow \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_1$$

- ▶ We denote by K_Σ , K_Σ^\dagger the '**Cauchy data**' versions of K , K^* .
- ▶ For example if $D_1 u_1 = 0$, $f_1 = \rho_{1\Sigma} u_1$, then

$$K_\Sigma f_1 = \rho_{2\Sigma} K u_1.$$

- ▶ Since $D_1 = K^* \circ K$ we have

$$K_\Sigma^\dagger \circ K_\Sigma = 0.$$

Cauchy surface Hermitian space

- ▶ We have $I \circ D_2 = D_2 \circ I$, so $I : \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_2 \rightarrow \text{Ker}_{\text{sc}} D_2$.
 (I = trace reversal).
- ▶ We denote by I_Σ the Cauchy data version of I .
- ▶ The **Cauchy surface Hermitian space** is

$$\frac{\text{Ker}_c K_\Sigma^\dagger}{\text{Ran}_c K_\Sigma},$$

equipped with the Hermitian form

$$[\overline{f}] \cdot q_{2,I}[f] = (f|q_{2\Sigma} \circ I_\Sigma f)_{V_2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2}, \quad f \in \text{Ker}_c K_\Sigma^\dagger.$$

off shell covariances

- ▶ Let $\Lambda_2^\pm : C_0^\infty(M; V_2) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(M; V_2)$ be such that
 - (1) $D_2 \circ \Lambda_2^\pm = \Lambda_2^\pm \circ D_2 = 0$ (field equation),
 - (2) $\Lambda_2^+ - \Lambda_2^- = iG_2$ on $\text{Ker}_c K^*$ (CCR),
 - (3) $\Lambda_2^\pm : \text{Ran}_c K \rightarrow \text{Ran} K$ (gauge invariance),
 - (4) $(u|I\Lambda_2^\pm u)_{V_2} \geq 0, \forall u \in \text{Ker}_c K^*$ (positivity).

Then



$$\overline{[u]} \cdot \Lambda^\pm [u] = (u|I \circ \Lambda_2^\pm u)_{V_2}, \quad [u] \in \frac{\text{Ker}_c K^*}{\text{Ran}_c P}$$

are the (off-shell) covariances of a quasi-free state on $\text{CCR}(\mathcal{V}, Q)$.

Cauchy surface covariances

If we use the Cauchy surface Hermitian space, we obtain analogous conditions.

- ▶ Let $\lambda_{2\Sigma}^{\pm} : C_0^{\infty}(\Sigma; V_2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'(\Sigma; V_2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2)$. We set as before

$$\lambda_{2\Sigma}^{\pm} =: \pm q_{2\Sigma} \circ c_2^{\pm}.$$

- ▶ The analogous conditions on $\lambda_{2\Sigma}^{\pm}$ are:

- (1) $c_2^{+} + c_2^{-} = \mathbb{1}$ on $\text{Ker}_c K_{\Sigma}^{\dagger}$ (CCR),
- (2) $c_2^{\pm} : \text{Ran}_c K_{\Sigma} \rightarrow \text{Ran} K_{\Sigma}$ (gauge invariance),
- (3) $\pm(f|I_{\Sigma} q_{2\Sigma} c_2^{\pm} f)_{V_2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2} \geq 0, \forall f \in \text{Ker}_c K_{\Sigma}^{\star}$ (positivity).

Hadamard condition

- ▶ In addition to the above conditions, we require the **Hadamard condition** ie



$$\text{WF}(\Lambda_2^\pm)' \subset \mathcal{N}^\pm \times \mathcal{N}^\pm,$$

or equivalently

$$\text{WF}(U_{2\Sigma} \circ c_2^\pm)' \subset (\mathcal{N}^\pm \cup \mathcal{F}) \times T^*\Sigma,$$

Existence of Hadamard states

► Theorem (G)

*Let (M, g) be any Einstein manifold with **compact Cauchy surfaces**. Then there exist gauge invariant Hadamard states for linearized gravity on (M, g) .*

- The proof relies on pdo calculus and uses **full gauge fixing**:
- this amounts to find a convenient **supplementary space** to $\text{Ran} K_\Sigma$ inside $\text{Ker} K_\Sigma^\dagger$. The delicate gauge invariance property can now be forgotten.

de Sitter spacetime

- ▶ the **de Sitter spacetime** dS^4 is $\mathbb{R}_t \times \mathbb{S}^3$, equipped with the metric

$$g = -dt^2 + \cosh^2(t)h,$$

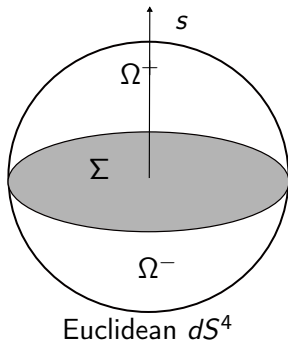
h canonical metric on $\mathbb{S}^3 = \Sigma$.

- ▶ By **Wick rotation** $t \mapsto is$ we obtain the metric $\tilde{g} = ds^2 + \cos^2(s)h$, $s \in]-\pi/2, \pi/2[$,
- ▶ ie the **sphere** \mathbb{S}^3 by setting

$$x_0 = \sin s, \quad (x_1, \dots, x_4) = \cos s \, \omega, \quad \omega \in \mathbb{S}^3.$$

- ▶ The Wick rotations of D_i are denoted by \tilde{D}_i .
- ▶ They are **selfadjoint** for the natural scalar products on \mathbb{S}^4 .

Wick rotated de Sitter spacetime



Wick rotated de Sitter spacetime

- ▶ The Wick rotation of dS^4 is compact: **no need for boundary conditions** to define \tilde{D}_1, \tilde{D}_2 !
- ▶ \tilde{D}_2 is **invertible**,
- ▶ $\tilde{D}_2 \geq 2$ on $\text{Ker}(\tilde{g}|)$ (traceless symmetric 2-tensors on \mathbb{S}^4).
- ▶ \tilde{D}_1 is **not invertible**,
- ▶ $\text{Ker } \tilde{D}_1 = \text{Ker } d = \text{Ker } d \cap \text{Ker } \delta =$ space of **Killing 1-forms** on \mathbb{S}^4 .

Calderón projectors

- By Wick rotating the identity $D_2 \circ K = K \circ D_1$ we obtain

$$\tilde{D}_2 \circ \tilde{K} = \tilde{K} \circ \tilde{D}_1, \quad (\tilde{K} = \tilde{I} \circ \tilde{d}).$$

- If **Calderón projectors** \tilde{c}_i^\pm **exist** for \tilde{D}_i then one would have

$$\tilde{c}_2^\pm \circ \tilde{K}_\Sigma = \tilde{K}_\Sigma \circ \tilde{c}_1^\pm$$

hence \tilde{c}_2^\pm **preserves** $\text{Ran} \tilde{K}_\Sigma$: one would get **gauge invariance** !

Calderón projectors

- ▶ \tilde{c}_2^\pm exist since \tilde{D}_2 is invertible.
- ▶ \tilde{c}_1^\pm **do not exist** on the whole space $C^\infty(\Sigma; \tilde{V}_1 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2)$, since \tilde{D}_1 is **not invertible**.
- ▶ this problem is due to the existence of **Killing one-forms** !
- ▶ it is **still present** with any of the alternative gauge fixing conditions explained above.

Calderón projectors

- ▶ One can show that Calderón projectors \tilde{c}_1^\pm exist on the subspace:

$$E_1 := (\tilde{\rho}_1 \operatorname{Ker} \tilde{D}_1)^{q_1},$$

the q_1 -orthogonal of $\tilde{\rho}_1 \operatorname{Ker} \tilde{D}_1$, of codimension 10 in $\tilde{V}_1 \times \mathbb{C}^2$.

- ▶ There is a corresponding natural subspace E_2 of codimension 10 in $\tilde{V}_2 \times \mathbb{C}^2$ such that

$$\tilde{K}_\Sigma : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$$

The Euclidean vacuum state

- Let us define **Cauchy surface covariances**

$$\bar{f}_2 \cdot \lambda_{2\Sigma}^\pm f_2 = \pm (f_2 | q_{2\Sigma} l_\Sigma \tilde{c}_2^\pm f_2)_{V_2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2}.$$

- We call the associated (pseudo) state ω the **Euclidean vacuum**.

Theorem (GW)

The Euclidean vacuum satisfies

- (1) *the Hadamard condition,*
- (2) *the CCR on $\text{Ker } K_\Sigma^\dagger \cap \text{Ker } K_{0\Sigma}^\dagger$, (TT gauge subspace)*
- (3) *the gauge invariance under E_1 ,*
- (4) *the positivity on $\text{Ker } K_\Sigma^\dagger \cap \text{Ker } K_{0\Sigma}^\dagger \cap E_2$,*
- (5) *the invariance under all de Sitter isometries.*

The Euclidean vacuum state

- ▶ one can show that \tilde{c}_2^\pm **do not preserve** the full $\text{Ran } \tilde{K}_\Sigma$: in fact

$$\tilde{c}_2^\pm \tilde{K}_\Sigma f \in \text{Ran } \tilde{K}_\Sigma \text{ iff } f \in E_1!$$

- ▶ We recall that $\text{Ker } K_\Sigma^\dagger \cap \text{Ker } K_{0\Sigma}^\dagger$ correspond to Cauchy data of **transverse, traceless tensors**.
- ▶ This is one of the many equivalent Hermitian spaces appearing in linearized gravity.

Modified Euclidean vacuum

- ▶ one can improve the gauge invariance and positivity of ω by **additional gauge fixing**.
- ▶ This amounts to replace $\lambda_{2\Sigma}^\pm$ by

$$\bar{f}_2 \cdot \lambda_{2\Sigma}^\pm f_2 = \pm (Tf_2|_{q_{2\Sigma}} l_\Sigma \tilde{c}_2^\pm Tf_2)_{V_2 \otimes \mathbb{C}^2},$$

for T a natural projection on E_2 .

▶ Theorem (GW)

The modified Euclidean vacuum satisfies

- (1) *the Hadamard condition*,
- (2) *the CCR on $\text{Ker } K_\Sigma^\dagger \cap \text{Ker } K_{0\Sigma}^\dagger$,*
- (3) *the full gauge invariance*
- (4) *the positivity on $\text{Ker } K_\Sigma^\dagger \cap \text{Ker } K_{0\Sigma}^\dagger$,*
- (5) *the invariance under de Sitter isometries preserving Σ .*

- Thank you for your attention !