

Coupling matter to Quantum Reduced Loop Gravity

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Minimally coupled matter fields

$$\begin{aligned} S^{(gr)} + S^{(cosm)} + S^{(\phi)} + S^{(\underline{A})} + \dots &= \frac{1}{\kappa} \int_M d^4x \sqrt{-g} R + \\ &\quad - \frac{\Lambda}{\kappa} \int_M d^4x \sqrt{-g} + \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\lambda} \int_M d^4x \sqrt{-g} (g^{\mu\nu} (\partial_\mu \phi) (\partial_\nu \phi) - V(\phi)) + \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4Q^2} \int_M d^4x \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} \underline{F}_{\mu\rho}^I \underline{F}_{\nu\sigma}^I + \\ &\quad + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Introducing the Ashtekar variables:

$$A^i{}_a = \Gamma^i{}_a + \gamma K^i{}_a, \quad E_i{}^a = \sqrt{q} e_i{}^a,$$
$$\{A_a^i(t, \vec{x}), E_j^b(t, \vec{y})\} = \gamma \frac{\kappa}{2} \delta_a^b \delta_j^i \delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} - \vec{y}),$$

one obtains the total Hamiltonian:

$$H^{(gr)} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \int d^3x N \left(A_t^i \mathcal{G}_i^{(gr)} + N^a \mathcal{V}_a^{(gr)} + N \mathcal{H}_{sc}^{(gr)} \right),$$

where the scalar constraint density is given by the formula:

$$\mathcal{H}_{sc}^{(gr)} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \int d^3x \frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \left(F_{ab}^i - (\gamma^2 + 1) \epsilon_{ilm} K^l{}_a K^m{}_b \right) \epsilon^{ijk} E_j{}^a E_k{}^b.$$

Gravitational field: canonical variables and the Hilbert space

Holonomies of Ashtekar-Barbero connections and fluxes of densitized triads:

$$h_\gamma = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(\int_\gamma A_a^j(\gamma(s)) \tau^j \dot{\gamma}^a(s) \right), \quad E_j(S) = \epsilon_{pqr} \int_{S \perp l^p(v)} dl^q dl^r E_j^p(v)$$

The kinematical Hilbert space is defined as:

$$\mathcal{H}_{kin}^{(gr)} := \bigoplus_{\Gamma} \mathcal{H}_{\Gamma}^{(gr)} = L_2(\mathcal{A}, d\mu_{AL}),$$

while the states are cylindrical functions of all links $l^i \in \Gamma$ and they are defined as $\Psi_{\Gamma,f}(A) := \langle A | \Gamma, f \rangle := f(h_{l^1}(A), h_{l^2}(A), \dots, h_{l^L}(A))$ for $f : SU(2)^L \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

The basis states are called spin network states and are given by the expression:

$$\Psi_{\Gamma,j_l,i_v}(h) = \langle h | \{\Gamma, j_l, i_v\} \rangle = \prod_{v \in \Gamma} i_v \cdot \prod_l D^{j_l}(h_l).$$

The action of the canonical operators reads:

$$\hat{h}_\gamma D^{j_l}(h_l) = h_\gamma D^{j_l}(h_l), \quad \hat{E}_i D^{j_l}(h_l) = \hbar \gamma \frac{\kappa}{2} \sigma(S, \gamma) D^{j_l}(h_{l_1}) \tau_i D^{j_l}(h_{l_2}).$$

Scalar field: classical Hamiltonian and discretization

Hamiltonian of the scalar field:

$$H^{(\phi)} = \int_{\Sigma_t} d^3x \left[N^a \pi \partial_a \phi + N \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\sqrt{q}} \pi^2 + \frac{\sqrt{q}}{2\lambda} q^{ab} \partial_a \phi \partial_b \phi + \frac{\sqrt{q}}{2\lambda} V(\phi) \right) \right]$$

Single-point states:

$$\begin{aligned} |v; U_\pi\rangle &:= e^{i\pi_v \phi_v} \\ \langle w; U_\pi | v; U_{\pi'} \rangle &:= \delta_{w,v} \delta_{\pi,\pi'} \end{aligned}$$

Action of diffeomorphism:

$$\varphi^* |v; U_\pi\rangle = |\varphi(v); U_\pi\rangle$$

Canonical Poisson brackets:

$$\{\phi(x), \Pi(y)\} = \chi_\varepsilon(x, y), \quad \Pi(v) := \int d^3u \chi_\varepsilon(v, u) \pi(u)$$

Action of basic operators:

$$e^{i\pi_w \hat{\phi}_w} |v; U_\psi\rangle = e^{i\pi_w \phi_w} |v; U_\pi\rangle = |v \cup w; U_\pi\rangle$$

$$\hat{\Pi}(v) |v; U_\pi\rangle = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi(v)} |v; U_\pi\rangle = \hbar \pi_v |v; U_\pi\rangle$$

Scalar field: canonical variables and the Hilbert space

Kinematical Hilbert space:

$$\mathcal{H}_{kin}^{(\phi)} = \overline{\{a_1 U_{\pi_1} + \dots + a_n U_{\pi_n} : a_i \in \mathbb{C}, n \in \mathbb{N}, \pi_i \in \mathbb{R}\}}$$

$$U_\pi := e^{i \sum_{v \in \Sigma} \pi_v \phi_v} := |\Gamma; U_\pi\rangle$$
$$\langle \Gamma; U_\pi | \Gamma; U_{\pi'} \rangle := \delta_{\pi, \pi'}$$

$\mathcal{H}_{kin}^{(\phi)} := L_2(\bar{\mathbb{R}}_{Bohr}^\Sigma)$ is obtained from the single-point one $L_2(\bar{\mathbb{R}}_{Bohr})$, where the Bohr measure is defined as follows:

$$\int_{\bar{\mathbb{R}}_{Bohr}} d\mu_{Bohr}(\phi) e^{i \pi_v \phi_v} = \delta_{0,v}$$

Basic variables:

$$\hat{U}_\pi |\Gamma; U_{\pi'}\rangle = |\Gamma; U_{\pi+\pi'}\rangle, \quad \hat{\Pi}(V) |\Gamma; U_\pi\rangle = \hbar \sum_{v \in V} \pi_v |\Gamma; U_\pi\rangle$$

Gauge field: canonical variables and the total Hilbert space

Hamiltonian of the gauge field:

$$H^{(A)} = \int_{\Sigma_t} d^3x \left(- \underline{A}_t^I D_a \underline{E}_I^a + N^a \underline{F}_{ab}^I \underline{E}_I^b + N \frac{Q^2}{2\sqrt{q}} q_{ab} (\underline{E}_I^a \underline{E}_I^b + \underline{B}_I^a \underline{B}_I^b) \right)$$

Natural lattice representation: fluxes and holonomies

$$\underline{E}_I(S^p) \approx \varepsilon^2 \underline{E}_I^a(v) \delta_a^p, \quad \epsilon^{pqr} \text{tr} \left(\underline{\tau}_I h_{q \circlearrowleft r}(\Delta(v)) \right) \approx Q^2 \frac{\varepsilon^2 \underline{B}_I^a(v)}{\mathbf{V}(v, \varepsilon)} \delta_a^p,$$

where the expansion $\underline{h}_{q \circlearrowleft r} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^2 \underline{F}_{qr} + O(\varepsilon^4)$ has been applied.

The phase space variables:

$$\underline{h}_\gamma = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(\int_\gamma \underline{A}_a^I(\gamma(s)) \tau^I \dot{\gamma}^a(s) \right), \quad \underline{E}_I(S^p) = \epsilon_{pqr} \int_{S \perp l^p(v)} dl^q dl^r \underline{E}_I^p(v)$$

Total kinematical Hilbert space:

$$\mathcal{H}_{kin}^{(tot)} = \mathcal{H}_{kin}^{(gr)} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{kin}^{(\phi)} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{kin}^{(A)}$$

Thiemann's method: lattice-regularization

Thiemann's trick:

$$\frac{1}{E_i^a} (\sqrt{q})^n = \frac{2}{n} \frac{\delta \mathbf{V}^n}{\delta E_i^a} = \frac{4}{n \gamma \kappa} \{ A_a^i, \mathbf{V}^n \}, \quad K_a^i = \frac{\delta K}{\delta E_i^a} = \frac{2}{\gamma \kappa} \{ A_a^i, K \}$$

Example: gravitational part of the Hamiltonian constraint

$$H_{\text{sc}}^{(gr)} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon^3} \int d^3x N \epsilon^{abc} \left(\frac{2^3}{\gamma \kappa} \text{tr} \left(h_{a \circlearrowleft b} h_{l^c}^{-1} \{ \mathbf{V}, h_{l^c} \} \right) + \right. \\ \left. - \frac{2^5(\gamma^2 + 1)}{\gamma^3 \kappa^3} \text{tr} \left(h_{l^a}^{-1} \{ K, h_{l^a} \} h_{l^b}^{-1} \{ K, h_{l^b} \} h_{l^c}^{-1} \{ \mathbf{V}, h_{l^c} \} \right) \right),$$

where $F_{ab} = F_{ab}^j \tau_j$, $A_a = A_a^i \tau_i$, $\tau^j = -\frac{i}{2} \sigma^j$ and $K = \int d^3x K_a^i E_i^a$.

Canonical quantization: $\{ , \} \rightarrow \frac{1}{i\hbar} [,]$, canonical variables \rightarrow operators

Set of “basic operators”

$$\hat{\mathbf{V}}_v |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle$$

$$\text{tr} \left(\hat{h}_{p \circlearrowright q} \hat{h}_r^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{V}}_v \hat{h}_r \right) |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle$$

$$\text{tr} \left(\hat{h}_p^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{K}}_v \hat{h}_p \hat{h}_q^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{K}}_v \hat{h}_q \hat{h}_r^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{V}}_v \hat{h}_r \right) |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle$$

$$\text{tr} \left(\tau^i \hat{h}_p^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{V}}_v^n \hat{h}_p \right) |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle$$

$$\hat{\Pi}(v) |\Gamma; U_\pi\rangle$$

$$\frac{e^{i(\hat{\phi}_v + \vec{e}_p - \hat{\phi}_v)} - e^{i(\hat{\phi}_v - \hat{\phi}_{v-\vec{e}_p})}}{2i} |\Gamma; U_\pi\rangle$$

$$\hat{\underline{E}}_I |\Gamma; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v\rangle$$

$$\text{tr} \left(\underline{\tau}_I \hat{h}_{q \circlearrowright r} \right) |\Gamma; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v\rangle$$

Introducing fermions makes connection torsion-dependent! (M. Bojowald and R. Das ‘08)

Alesci-Cianfrani's method: reduction

Canonical variables in the diagonal gauge:

$$A_a^i = \frac{1}{l_0} c_{(i)} \delta_a^i, \quad E_i^a = \frac{1}{l_0^2} p^{(i)} \delta_a^i$$

Cuboidal lattice:

$$\Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma_R$$

Reduced group elements:

$$D_{m\,n}^j(h_l) \longrightarrow D_{m\,\pm j_l}^j(u_l) {}^l D_{m_l\,m_l}^{j_l}(h_l) (D^{-1})_{\pm j_l\,n}^j(u_l), \quad h_l \in \mathrm{SU}(2),$$

where the projected Wigner matrices ($SU(2) \rightarrow U(1)$) read:

$${}^l D_{m_l m_l}^{j_l}(h_l) = (D^{-1})_{\pm j_l \; m'}^j(u_l) D_{m' \; n'}^j(h_l) D_{n' \; \pm j_l}^j(u_l) = \langle m_l, \vec{u}_l | D^{j_l}(h_l) | m_l, \vec{u}_l \rangle.$$

The basis element of the Hilbert space after gauge-fixing:

$$\xrightarrow{j_l} \text{---} \circlearrowleft h_l \circlearrowright \xleftarrow{j_l} \langle j_l, m | m_l, \vec{u}_l \rangle \langle m_l, \vec{u}_l | D^{j_l}(h_l) | m_l, \vec{u}_l \rangle \langle m_l, \vec{u}_l | j_l, m' \rangle, \quad m_l = \pm j_l.$$

The kinematical Hilbert space:

$${}^R\mathcal{H}_{kin}^{(gr)} := \bigoplus_{\Gamma} {}^R\mathcal{H}_{\Gamma}^{(gr)}.$$

Reduced states are given by the formula:

$${}^R\Psi_{\Gamma, m_l, i_v}(h) = \langle h | \{\Gamma, m_l, i_v\} \rangle = \prod_{v \in \Gamma} \langle j_l, i_v | m_l, \vec{u}_l \rangle \cdot \prod_l {}^l D_{m_l m_l}^{j_l}(h_l), \quad m_l = \pm j_l,$$

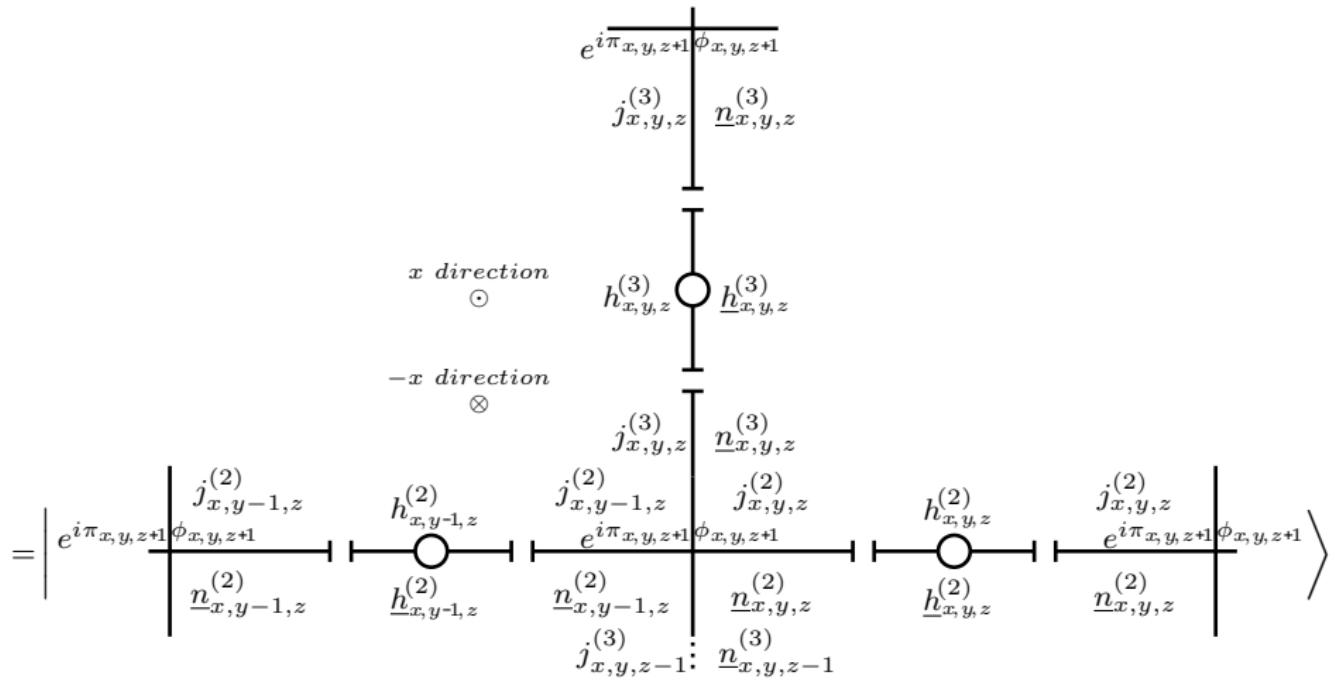
where $\langle j_l, i_v | m_l, \vec{u}_l \rangle$ are reduced (one-dimensional) intertwiners.

The scalar product between reduced intertwiners is given by:

$$\langle \Gamma, m_l, i_v | \Gamma', m'_l, i'_v \rangle = \delta_{\Gamma, \Gamma'} \prod_{v \in \Gamma} \prod_{l \in \Gamma} \delta_{m_l, m'_l} \langle m_l, \vec{u}_l | j_l, i_v \rangle \langle j_l, i'_v | m_l, \vec{u}_l \rangle.$$

Illustration of a basic cell state: “a spider state”

$$|\Gamma; j_l, i_v; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v; U_\pi\rangle_R = |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle_R \otimes |\Gamma; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v\rangle_R \otimes |\Gamma; U_\pi\rangle_R =$$



Set of “basic operators” in the reduced case

$${}^R\hat{\mathbf{V}} |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle_R$$

$$\text{tr}\left({}^R\hat{h}_{i \circlearrowleft j} {}^R\hat{h}_k^{-1} {}^R\hat{\mathbf{V}} {}^R\hat{h}_k\right) |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle_R$$

$$\text{tr}\left(\tau^i {}^R\hat{h}_j^{-1} {}^R\hat{\mathbf{V}}^n {}^R\hat{h}_j\right) |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle_R$$

$$\hat{\Pi}(v) |\Gamma; U_\pi\rangle$$

$$\frac{e^{i(\hat{\phi}_v + \vec{e}_i - \hat{\phi}_v)} - e^{i(\hat{\phi}_v - \hat{\phi}_{v-\vec{e}_i})}}{2i} |\Gamma; U_\pi\rangle$$

$$\hat{E}_I |\Gamma; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v\rangle$$

$$\text{tr}\left(\underline{\tau}_I \underline{\hat{h}}_{j \circlearrowleft k}\right) |\Gamma; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v\rangle$$

Introducing fermions does not modify the Ashtekar-Barbero connection!

Scalar constraint operator:

$$\hat{H}_{\text{sc}}|\Gamma; j_l, i_v; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v; U_\pi\rangle_R = \left(\hat{H}_{\text{sc}}^{(gr)} + \hat{H}^{(\Lambda)} + \hat{H}_E^{(A)} + \hat{H}_B^{(A)} + \hat{H}_{\text{kin}}^{(\phi)} + \hat{H}_{\text{der}}^{(\phi)} + \hat{H}_{\text{pot}}^{(\phi)} \right) |\Gamma; j_l, i_v; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v; U_\pi\rangle_R$$

Action in a form containing gravitational eigenvalues and matter operators:

$$\hat{H}_{\text{sc}}|\Gamma; j_l, i_v; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v; U_\pi\rangle_R = \sum_v N_v \hat{H}_{v,\text{sc}} |\Gamma; j_l, i_v; \underline{n}_l, \underline{i}_v; U_\pi\rangle_R$$

Volume operator

$$\hat{\mathbf{V}}^n(v_{x,y,z}) |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle_R = \mathbf{V}_{v_{x,y,z}}^n |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle_R = \left((8\pi\gamma l_P^2)^3 \Sigma_{v_{x,y,z}}^{(1)} \Sigma_{v_{x,y,z}}^{(2)} \Sigma_{v_{x,y,z}}^{(3)} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}} |\Gamma; j_l, i_v\rangle_R,$$

where $\Sigma_v^{(i)} := \frac{1}{2}(j_v^{(i)} + j_{v-\vec{e}_i}^{(i)})$ denotes the mean value of the spin along a direction i .

$$\mathbf{J}_v^{(i),n} = \frac{1}{8\gamma\pi l_P^2} \left[\left(1 - \frac{1}{2(j_v^{(i)} + j_{v-\vec{e}_i}^{(i)})} \right)^n - \left(1 + \frac{1}{2(j_v^{(i)} + j_{v-\vec{e}_i}^{(i)})} \right)^n \right]$$

j 's denote the quantum numbers around which semiclassical states are peaked,
 $p^i(v)\epsilon^2 = 8\pi\gamma l_P^2 \Sigma_v^{(i)}$

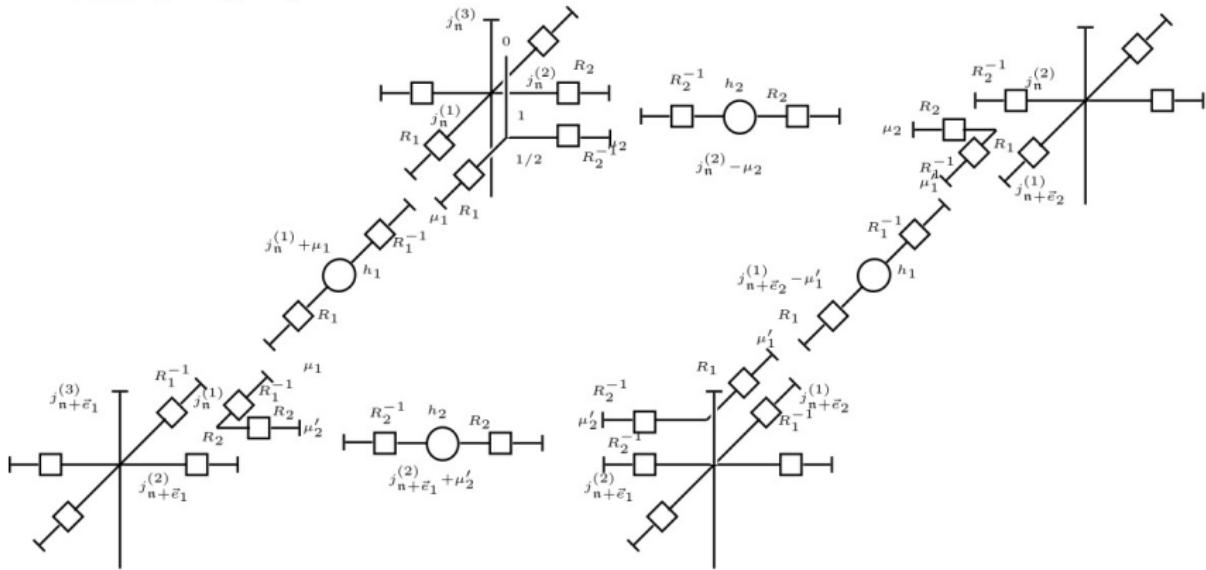
$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_{v,\text{sc}} = & -\frac{i}{2^3 \kappa \gamma^2 (8\pi\gamma l_P^2)} \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{\{l^i \perp l^j \perp l^k\}} \epsilon^{ijk} \text{tr}(\hat{h}_{l^i \circ l^j} \hat{h}_{l^k}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{V}} \hat{h}_{l^k}) + \frac{\Lambda \mathbf{V}_v}{\kappa} + \\
& + 2^5 Q^2 \mathbf{V}_v \sum_{i=1}^3 \left(\mathbf{J}_v^{(i), \frac{1}{4}} \right)^2 \left(\hat{\underline{E}}_I(S^i(v)) \right)^2 + \\
& + \frac{2^5}{Q^2} \mathbf{V}_v \sum_{i=1}^3 \left(\mathbf{J}_v^{(i), \frac{1}{4}} \right)^2 \sum_{\{l^j, l^k\} \perp i} \sum_{\{l^l, l^m\} \perp i} \epsilon^{ijk} \epsilon^{ilm} \hat{h}_{lj \circ lk}(v) \hat{h}_{ll \circ lm}(v) + \\
& + 2^{17} \lambda \mathbf{V}_v^3 \left(\mathbf{J}_v^{(x), \frac{1}{4}} \mathbf{J}_v^{(y), \frac{1}{4}} \mathbf{J}_v^{(z), \frac{1}{4}} \right)^2 \hat{\Pi}_v^2 + \\
& + \frac{2^{15} \mathbf{V}_v^3}{3^4 \lambda} \left[\left(\mathbf{J}_v^{(y), \frac{3}{8}} \mathbf{J}_v^{(z), \frac{3}{8}} \frac{e^{i(\hat{\phi}_v - \hat{\phi}_v - \vec{e}_x)} - e^{i(\hat{\phi}_v + \vec{e}_x - \hat{\phi}_v)}}{2i} \right)^2 + \binom{x \rightarrow y}{y \rightarrow z} + \binom{x \rightarrow z}{y \rightarrow x} \right] + \\
& + \frac{\mathbf{V}_v}{2\lambda} \hat{V}(\phi_v) + \\
& + \text{scalar-electrodynamical interactions}
\end{aligned}$$

Classical-continuum (large- j) limit precisely coincides with the classical expression!

Hamiltonian constraint for quantum-gravitational scalar electrodynamics

$$\text{Tr} \left[\hat{h}_{\alpha_{12}} \hat{h}_{s_3}^{-1} \hat{V} \hat{h}_{s_3} \right] |\Gamma, \mathbf{j}_1, \mathbf{x}_n\rangle =$$

$$= (8\pi\gamma l_P^2)^{3/2} \sum_{\mu'_1, \mu'_2, \mu_2, \mu_1 = \pm \frac{1}{2}} \sum_{\mu = \pm \frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{j_n^{(1)} j_n^{(2)} (j_n^{(3)} + \mu)} s(\mu) C_{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}}^{10}$$



Picture of the QRLG action from: E. Alesci and F. Cianfrani, Int. J. Mod. Phys. D **25**, no. 08, 1642005 (2016).

Lattice (constructional) and quantum corrections

Lattice (regulator-dependent) corrections:

- gravitational, *e.g.*

$$h_p(\Delta(v)) = 1 + \varepsilon A_p(v) + O(\varepsilon^2), \quad h_{q \circ r}(\Delta(v)) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^2 F_{qr}(v) + O(\varepsilon^4),$$

- matter field, *e.g.*

$$\partial_p \phi(v) \approx \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \frac{e^{i(\phi_v + \vec{e}_p - \phi_v)} - e^{i(\phi_v - \phi_v - \vec{e}_p)}}{2i},$$

Quantum (lattice length-dependent) corrections:

- large- j expansion:

$$\mathbf{J}_v^{(i),n} = -\frac{n}{8\gamma\pi l_P^2(j_v^{(i)} + j_{v-\vec{e}_i}^{(i)})} \left[1 + \frac{(n-2)(n-1)}{24(j_v^{(i)} + j_{v-\vec{e}_i}^{(i)})^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{(j_v^{(i)} + j_{v-\vec{e}_i}^{(i)})^4}\right) \right]$$

- loop term (reduced connections c) corrections

Semiclassical results

Semiclassical states:

$$\left| \bar{\Gamma}_{\mathcal{N}}; \bar{j}_l \right\rangle_R = \sum_{m_l} \prod_{\mathbf{v} \in \Gamma}^N \langle j_l, i_{\mathbf{v}} | m_l, \vec{u}_l \rangle^* \prod_{l \in \Gamma} \left((2j_l + 1) e^{-j_l(j_l+1)\frac{\alpha}{2}} e^{ic_l m_l} e^{\alpha \Sigma^{(i)} m_l} \right) \langle h | \{ \Gamma, m_l, i_v \} \rangle$$
$$| \rangle_R = \left| \bar{\Gamma}_{\mathcal{N}}; \bar{j}_l; \underline{n}_l; \bar{U}_{\pi} \right\rangle_R$$

$$\begin{aligned} {}_R \langle | \hat{H}_{\text{sc}} | \rangle_R &= \int d^3x N \sqrt{q} \left[-\frac{2}{\gamma^2 \kappa} \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{1}{|p^{(i)}|} \frac{c_1 c_2 c_3}{c_{(i)}} \left(1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{l_P^4}{p^2}\right) + \mathcal{O}(c^2) \right) + \frac{\Lambda}{\kappa} \right. \\ &\quad + \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 q^{(i)(i)} \left[\frac{Q^2}{2} \left(\frac{\underline{E}_I^{(i)}}{\sqrt{q}} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{8Q^2} \left(\epsilon^{(i)jk} \underline{F}_{jk}^I \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2\lambda} (\partial_{(i)} \phi)^2 \right] + \frac{\lambda}{2} \left(\frac{\pi_{\phi}}{\sqrt{q}} \right)^2 \right) \times \\ &\quad \times \left. \left(1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{l_P^4}{p^2}\right) \right) + \frac{1}{2\lambda} V(\phi) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Continuum limit correspondence: $|p^{(i)}| = l_0^2 \sqrt{\left| \frac{q}{q_{(i)(i)}} \right|}, \quad |c_{(i)}| = \gamma l_0 K_{(i)}^{(i)} = \frac{\gamma l_0}{2N} \sqrt{\dot{|q_{(i)(i)}|}}$

Objectives of the matter coupling program

$(matt) = (\underline{A})$ - we expect the same result, defining new representation at least for scalar fields; fermions?

$$\begin{aligned} {}_R\langle |\hat{H}_{sc}| \rangle_R &= \sum_{i=1}^3 \left[\left(1 + 3(\gamma\pi)^2 \frac{l_P^4}{(p^{(i)})^2} - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{j \neq i} (c_{(j)})^2 \right) H_i^{(gr)} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(1 + \frac{7}{2}(\gamma\pi)^2 \frac{l_P^4}{(p^{(i)})^2} \right) H_i^{(matt)} + \left(1 + C^{(int)}(\gamma\pi)^2 \frac{l_P^4}{(p^{(i)})^2} \right) H_i^{(int)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Normalization: $\bar{H}_i = \frac{{}_R\langle |\hat{H}_{sc}| \rangle_R}{1 + \frac{7}{2}(\gamma\pi)^2 l_P^4 / (p^{(i)})^2}$ for $\hat{H}_{sc} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \hat{H}_{sc,i}$

Effective Hamiltonian:

$$\bar{H}_i = H_i^{(matt)} + \frac{1 + C^{(int)} \pi^2 l_P^4 \frac{\gamma^2}{l_0^4} \frac{q_{(ii)}}{q}}{1 + \frac{7}{2} \pi^2 l_P^4 \frac{\gamma^2}{l_0^4} \frac{q_{(ii)}}{q}} H_i^{(int)} + \frac{1 + 3\pi^2 l_P^4 \frac{\gamma^2}{l_0^4} \frac{q_{(ii)}}{q} - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{j \neq i} \gamma^2 l_0^2 (K_{(j)}^{(j)})^2}{1 + \frac{7}{2} \pi^2 l_P^4 \frac{\gamma^2}{l_0^4} \frac{q_{(ii)}}{q}} H_i^{(gr)}$$

Conclusions

- ① QRLG allows to construct diffeomorphism invariant matter field theories
- ② matrix elements of matter field Hamiltonian constraint are analytic
- ③ large- j limit approach the classical Hamiltonian at the leading order and gives convergent series of next-to-the-leading-order quantum corrections

Open problems

- ① construction of coherent states for matter fields
- ② ambiguity in construction of discrete representations for matter fields
- ③ different powers of gravitational corrections (representation dependent)
- ④ studies of phenomenological applications
- ⑤ fermion field coupling

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