### On the semiclassical limit of quantum fields on quantum cosmological spacetimes

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  - → Requires a suitable Weyl-Moyal calculus

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(c) There is a relevant part,  $\sigma_*(H_0)$ , of the (point-wise) spectrum of the *principal* symbol  $H_0$ , that is isolated by a finite gap (global over  $\Gamma$ ).

### The algorithm I

Space-adiabatic perturbation theory consists of four steps:

1. Construct an almost invariant projection  $\hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon},$  i.e.

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon}] = \mathcal{O}_0(\varepsilon^{\infty}) \tag{3}$$

 $\rightsquigarrow$  Use the spectral projection  $\pi_0$  of  $H_0$  onto the relevant part  $\sigma_*$ 

 $\rightsquigarrow \hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon} = \widehat{\pi_{\varepsilon}}^{\varepsilon} + \mathcal{O}_0(\varepsilon^{\infty})$ 

 $\sim \pi_{\varepsilon}$  has an asymptotic expansion with principal symbol  $\pi_0$ ,

$$\pi_{\varepsilon} \sim \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varepsilon^k \pi_k, \tag{4}$$

that qualifies as an invariant projection relative to Moyal product:

$$\pi_{\varepsilon} \star_{\varepsilon} \pi_{\varepsilon} = \pi_{\varepsilon}, \qquad \pi_{\varepsilon}^{*} = \pi_{\varepsilon}, \qquad [H_{\varepsilon}, \pi_{\varepsilon}]_{\star_{\varepsilon}} = 0.$$
(5)

The subspace  $\hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon} \mathfrak{H} \subset \mathfrak{H}$  is called almost invariant subspace, as it remains approximately invariant w.r.t. the dynamics (*Duhamel's formula*):

$$\left[e^{-i\hat{H}s},\hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon}\right] = \mathcal{O}_0(|s|\varepsilon^{\infty}).$$
(6)

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# The algorithm II

- 2. Construct a unitary operator  $\hat{U}^{\varepsilon} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathfrak{H})$ 
  - → Identify the almost invariant subspace  $\hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon} \mathfrak{H}$  with an  $\varepsilon$ -independent reference (sub)space  $\hat{\Pi}_{r} \mathfrak{H}$
  - $\sim$  Quantisation of a semiclassical symbol  $u_{\varepsilon} \in S^{\infty}(\varepsilon; \Gamma, \mathcal{B}(\mathfrak{H}_{f}))$ :

$$u_{\varepsilon} \sim \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varepsilon^k u_k, \tag{7}$$

 $\rightsquigarrow u_0$  defines a reference projection  $\pi_r \in \mathcal{B}(\mathfrak{H}_f)$  by

$$u_0(\gamma)\pi_0(\gamma)u_0(\gamma)^* = \pi_r \tag{8}$$

- $u_0$  trivialises the *adiabatic bundle*  $\pi_0 \mathfrak{H} \rightarrow \Gamma$
- $\sim$  The quantisation  $\hat{\Pi}_r = \mathbb{1}_{\mathfrak{H}_s} \otimes \pi_r$  defines the reference space  $\hat{\Pi}_r \mathfrak{H}$

$$\hat{\Pi}_r = \hat{U}^{\varepsilon} \hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon} (\hat{U}^{\varepsilon})^*.$$
(9)

 $\rightsquigarrow$  Characterise  $u_{\varepsilon}$  (not uniquely) by:

$$u_{\varepsilon} \star_{\varepsilon} u_{\varepsilon}^{*} = 1 = u_{\varepsilon}^{*} \star_{\varepsilon} u_{\varepsilon}, \qquad \qquad u_{\varepsilon} \star_{\varepsilon} \pi_{\varepsilon} \star_{\varepsilon} u_{\varepsilon}^{*} = \pi_{r}.$$
(10)

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### The algorithm III

- 3. Map the dynamics of  $\hat{H}$  (almost) inside  $\hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon}\,\mathfrak{H}$  to the reference space  $\hat{\Pi}_{r}\,\mathfrak{H}$ 
  - $\rightsquigarrow$  Effective Hamiltonian  $\hat{h}$
  - → quantisation of a self-adjoint semiclassical symbol  $h_{\varepsilon} \in S^{\infty}(\varepsilon; \Gamma, \mathcal{B}(\mathfrak{H}_{f}))$ , the effective Hamiltonian symbol:

$$h_{\varepsilon} \sim u_{\varepsilon} \star_{\varepsilon} H_{\varepsilon} \star_{\varepsilon} u_{\varepsilon}^{*}.$$
(11)

- $\sim$  Computation of the  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^n)$ -truncations  $h_{\varepsilon,(n)}$  possible
- $\sim$  The effective Hamiltonian  $\hat{h}$  satisfies:

$$[\hat{h},\hat{\Pi}_r] = 0, \qquad e^{-i\hat{H}s} - (\hat{U}^{\varepsilon})^* e^{-i\hat{h}s} \hat{U}^{\varepsilon} = \mathcal{O}_0((1+|s|)\varepsilon^{\infty}), \qquad (12)$$

which entails the space adiabatic theorem with time scale t > 0:

$$e^{-i\hat{H}s}\hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon} - (\overline{u_{\varepsilon,(n)}}^{\varepsilon})^{*} e^{-ih_{\varepsilon,(n+k)}}^{\varepsilon} \hat{\Pi}_{r} \overline{u_{\varepsilon,(n)}}^{\varepsilon} = \mathcal{O}_{0}((1+|t|)\varepsilon^{n+1}),$$
(13)

for large enough  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}_0, \ |s| \le \varepsilon^{-k} t$ 

### The algorithm IV

4. Consider an isolated eigenvalue  $\sigma_*(H_0) = \{E_*\}$  (possibly degenerate)

 $\rightsquigarrow$  semiclassical approximation to the dynamics inside  $\hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon}\,\mathfrak{H}$ 

$$\widehat{O_{\varepsilon}}^{\varepsilon}(t) = e^{\frac{i}{\varepsilon}\widehat{h}t}\widehat{O_{\varepsilon}}^{\varepsilon}e^{-\frac{i}{\varepsilon}\widehat{h}t}, \quad \left(\partial_{t}\widehat{O_{\varepsilon}}^{\varepsilon}\right)(t) = \frac{i}{\varepsilon}[\widehat{h},\widehat{O_{\varepsilon}}^{\varepsilon}(t)]$$
(14)

→ Expansion on the level of symbols (Egorov's hierachy):

$$(\partial_t O_0)(t) = \{E_*, O_0(t)\} + i[h_1, O_0(t)]\dots$$
(15)

 $\rightsquigarrow$  Solve iteratively for  $O_n, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ 

 $\sim$  Time evolution of the principal symbol  $O_0$ :

 $O_0(\gamma, t) = V(\gamma, t)^* O_0(\Phi_t(\gamma)) V(\gamma, t), \qquad O_0(\gamma, 0) = O_0(\gamma), \ \gamma \in \Gamma,$ (16)

where

$$\partial_t \Phi_t(\gamma) = X_{E^*}(\gamma), \qquad \partial_t V(\gamma, t) = -ih_1(\Phi_t(\gamma))V(\gamma, t)$$
(17)  
$$\Phi_0(\gamma) = \gamma, \qquad V(\gamma, 0) = \mathbb{1}_{\pi_r,\mathfrak{H}_f},$$

with  $X_{E_*}$  denoting the Hamiltonian vector field of  $E_*$  w.r.t. the symplectic structure on  $\Gamma$ . For scalar principal symbols  $O_0 = o_0 \mathbb{1}_{\pi_r, \mathfrak{H}_f}$  (16) reduces to

$$o_0(\gamma, t) = o_0(\Phi_t(\gamma)), \qquad o_0(\gamma, 0) = o_0(\gamma), \ \gamma \in \Gamma,$$
(18)

hence the name semiclassical approximation.

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### The algorithm V – final remarks

• First order *Egorov's theorem* for the principal part  $O_0$  and its quantisation:

$$\forall T \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} : \exists C_T > 0 : \forall t \in [-T, T] : \left\| e^{\frac{i}{\varepsilon} \hat{h} t} \widehat{O_0}^\varepsilon e^{-\frac{i}{\varepsilon} \hat{h} t} - \widehat{O_0(t)}^\varepsilon \right\|_{\mathcal{B}(\hat{\Pi}_r, \mathfrak{H})} \leq \varepsilon C_T.$$
(19)

Semiclassical observables w.r.t. Π<sup>ε</sup> ℌ are modelled by operators Ô ∈ L(ℌ) that are almost diagonal w.r.t. Π<sup>ε</sup>:

$$[\hat{O}, \hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon}] = \mathcal{O}_0(\varepsilon^{\infty}).$$
<sup>(20)</sup>

The dynamics of general observables  $\hat{O} \in L(\mathfrak{H})$  can be considered in the weak sense:

$$\hat{O}_{|\hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon}\,\mathfrak{H}} = \hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon}\hat{O}\hat{\Pi}^{\varepsilon}.$$
(21)

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### Almost-periodic pseudo-differential operators

A suitable Weyl-Moyal formalism to handle cosmological scenarios was introduced by [Shubin, 1978] and elaborated on in [Stottmeister, Thiemann, 2016]:

$$(A_{\sigma}\Psi)(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon} \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\lambda \int_{\mathbb{R}} dx' \,\sigma(\frac{1}{2}(x+x'),\lambda)e_{-\lambda}(\frac{x-x'}{\varepsilon})\Psi(x'), \tag{22}$$

for  $\Psi \in \operatorname{Trig}(\mathbb{R})$  or  $CAP^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ .

$$\sigma \in APS^{m}_{\rho,\delta}(\mathbb{R}^{2}) \subset C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{2}) :\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni \lambda \mapsto \sigma(.,\lambda) \in CAP(\mathbb{R}) \text{ is continuous}$$
(23)  
$$m \in \mathbb{R}, \ 0 \le \delta \le \rho \le 1$$

$$\& \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0 : \forall (x, \lambda) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \exists C_{\alpha\beta} > 0 : |(\partial_x^{\alpha} \partial_{\lambda}^{\beta} \sigma)(x, \lambda)| \le C_{\alpha\beta} \langle \lambda \rangle^{m-\rho\beta+\delta\alpha}, \quad (24)$$

$$APS^{-\infty}(\mathbb{R}^2) \coloneqq \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{R}} APS^m_{\rho, \delta}(\mathbb{R}^2), \ APS^{\infty}_{\rho, \delta}(\mathbb{R}^2) \coloneqq \bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{R}} APS^m_{\rho, \delta}(\mathbb{R}^2).$$

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• The ratio 
$$\frac{\kappa'}{\lambda'} = \epsilon^2 \sim \frac{m_{\Phi}^2}{m_{\rm Planck}^2}$$
 serves as adiabatic parameter

#### Definition of toy models II

• Setting 
$$\lambda' = 1$$
 and specialising to  $\Lambda = 0, k = 0$ 

$$H = H_{\mathsf{G}} + H_{\phi} = -\frac{3}{4} |\omega| (\varepsilon p_{\omega})^{2} + \frac{1}{2|\omega|} \sum_{s \in \hat{\Sigma}} \left( p_{s}^{2} + \underbrace{\left( (ls)^{2} |\omega|^{\frac{4}{3}} + m^{2} |\omega|^{2} \right)}_{=\Omega_{s}(|\omega|;l,m)^{2}} q_{s}^{2} \right)$$
(28)

- Using an LQC-type quantisation for  $(p_{\omega},\omega)$  allows to define regularised Hamiltonians

$$\hat{H}_{\ell}^{f,\mp} = \mp \frac{3}{4} \frac{\sin(\overline{\omega_0 p_{\omega}})}{\omega_0} \overline{|\omega|_{\ell}} \frac{\sin(\overline{\omega_0 p_{\omega}})}{\omega_0} + \frac{1}{2} \overline{|\omega|_{\ell}^{-1}} \sum_{s \in \hat{\Sigma}} \left( \left( \hat{p}_s^f \right)^2 + \Omega_s \left( \overline{|\omega|_{\ell}}; l, m \right)^2 \left( \hat{q}_s^f \right)^2 \right),$$
(29)

on 
$$D(\hat{H}_{\ell}^{f,\mp}) \coloneqq C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}) \otimes F_s(l^2(\hat{\Sigma})) \subset L^2(\mathbb{R}, d\omega) \otimes \mathcal{F}_s(l^2(\hat{\Sigma}))$$
 or  
 $d(\hat{H}_{\ell}^{f,\mp}) \coloneqq d(\mathbb{R}) \otimes F_s(l^2(\hat{\Sigma})) \subset l^2(\mathbb{R}) \otimes \mathcal{F}_s(l^2(\hat{\Sigma}))$   
•  $\hat{p}_s^f \coloneqq \frac{-i}{\sqrt{2}} (\overline{f}_s a_s - f_s a_s^*), \ \hat{q}_s^f \coloneqq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\overline{f}_s a_s + f_s a_s^*)$  for  $f \in h_2^1(\hat{\Sigma}) \subset l^2(\hat{\Sigma})$ 

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### The perturbative expansion I

•  $H_{\ell}^{f,\mp}$  is the  $\varepsilon$ -Weyl quantisation of the  $L(F_s(l^2(\hat{\Sigma})), \mathcal{F}_s(l^2(\hat{\Sigma})))$ -valued symbol

$$H_{\ell}^{f,\mp}(\omega, p_{\omega}) = \pm H_{G,\ell}(\omega, p_{\omega}) + H_{\pi,\ell}^{f}(\omega)$$

$$= \pm \frac{3}{8\omega_{0}^{2}} \left( \cos(2\omega_{0}p_{\omega})|\omega|_{\ell} - \frac{1}{2} \left( |\omega + \varepsilon\omega_{0}|_{\ell} + |\omega - \varepsilon\omega_{0}|_{\ell} \right) \right) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{F}(l^{2}(\hat{\Sigma}))}$$

$$+ H_{\phi,\ell}^{f}(\omega)$$

$$= \mp \frac{3}{4\omega_{0}^{2}} \sin^{2}(\omega_{0}p_{\omega})|\omega|_{\ell} \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{F}(l^{2}(\hat{\Sigma}))} + H_{\phi,\ell}^{f}(\omega)$$

$$\mp \underbrace{\frac{3}{8\omega_{0}^{2}} \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( |\omega + \varepsilon\omega_{0}|_{\ell} + |\omega - \varepsilon\omega_{0}|_{\ell} \right) - |\omega|_{\ell} \right)}_{:=\sigma_{\ell}^{(1)}(\omega,\varepsilon\omega_{0}), \ \sigma_{\ell}^{(1)}(\cdot,\varepsilon\omega_{0}) \in C_{c}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})}$$
(30)
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• The leading order in the semi-classical expansion of  $\sigma_{\ell}^{(1)}$  is  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$ :

$$\sigma_{\ell}^{(1)}(\omega,\varepsilon\omega_0) \sim -\varepsilon^2 \frac{3}{8} \delta_{\ell}(\omega) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^4), \tag{31}$$

# The perturbative expansion II

- For simplicity, we further restrict ourselves to Hamiltonians  $\hat{H}_{\ell}^{f,\mp}$  with  $f \in d(\hat{\Sigma})$ , s.t.  $f_s = 1$  for  $|s| \le s_c$  and  $f_s = 0$  for  $|s| > s_c$
- The (low lying) spectrum of the  $\varepsilon^0$ -order symbol,  $H^{s_c,\mp}_{\ell,0}(\omega, p_\omega)$  has the following properties:
  - 1. The minimal distance between the discrete eigenvalues,

$$E_{n}^{s_{c},\mp}(|\omega|_{\ell},p_{\omega};l,m) = \mp \frac{3}{4\omega_{0}^{2}} \sin^{2}(\omega_{0}p_{\omega})|\omega|_{\ell} + \sum_{|s| \le s_{c}} \frac{\Omega_{s}(|\omega|_{\ell};l,m)}{|\omega|_{\ell}} (n_{s} + \frac{1}{2}),$$
(32)

is 
$$d_{\min} = \frac{\Omega_0(|\omega|_\ell; l, m)}{|\omega|_\ell} = m$$

2. The ground state energy,

$$\begin{split} E_0^{s_c,\mp}(|\omega|_\ell,p_\omega;l,m) &= \mp \frac{3}{4\omega_0^2} \sin^2(\omega_0 p_\omega) |\omega|_\ell + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{|s| \leq s_c} \frac{\Omega_s(|\omega|_\ell;l,m)}{|\omega|_\ell}, \text{ and the} \\ \text{lowest eigenvalue above it, } E_1^{s_c,\mp}(|\omega|_\ell,p_\omega;l,m) = m + E_0^{s_c,\mp}(|\omega|_\ell,p_\omega;l,m), \text{ are non-degenerate.} \end{split}$$

3. For sufficiently large volumes,  $|\omega|_{\ell}^{\frac{2}{3}} > \frac{4\pi^2}{3m^2}$ , the second lowest eigenvalue,

$$E_{2}^{s_{c}, \mp}(|\omega|_{\ell}, p_{\omega}; l, m) = \sqrt{m^{2} + 4\pi^{2} |\omega|_{\ell}^{-\frac{2}{3}}} + E_{0}^{s_{c}, \mp}(|\omega|_{\ell}, p_{\omega}; l, m),$$
(33)

is sixfold degenerate.

4. As 
$$\forall s \in \hat{\Sigma} : \lim_{|\omega| \to \infty} \frac{\Omega_s(|\omega|_{\ell}; l, m)}{|\omega|_{\ell}} = m$$
, we have  

$$\lim_{|\omega| \to \infty} |E_n^{s_c, \mp}(|\omega|_{\ell}, p_{\omega}; l, m) - E_{n'}^{s_c, \mp}(|\omega|_{\ell}, p_{\omega}; l, m)| = 0 \text{ for all } n, n' \text{ such that } \sum_{|s| \le s_c} n_s = \sum_{|s| \le s_c} n'_s.$$

### The perturbative expansion III

• Applying the algorithm to  $H_{\ell}^{s_c, \mp} = H_{\ell,0}^{s_c, \mp} + \varepsilon^2 H_{\ell,2}^{s_c, \mp} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^4) \in S^1_{1,0}(\varepsilon)$ , and its uniformly isolated ground state band  $\{E_0^{s_c, \mp}(|\omega|_{\ell}, p_{\omega}; l, m)\}_{(\omega, p_{\omega}) \in \mathbb{R}^2}$ :

$$H_{\ell,0}^{s_c,\mp}(\omega,p_{\omega}) = U^{s_c}(|\omega|_{\ell};l,m) \bigg( E_0^{s_c,\mp}(|\omega|_{\ell},p_{\omega};l,m) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{F}_s(\mathbb{C}^{n_{s_c}})} + \sum_{|s| \le s_c} \frac{\Omega_s(|\omega|_{\ell};l,m)}{|\omega|_{\ell}} a_s^* a_s \bigg) U^{s_c}(|\omega|_{\ell};l,m)^*,$$
(34)

$$\begin{split} H_{\ell,2}^{s_{c},\mp}(\omega,p_{\omega}) &= -\frac{3}{8} \delta_{\ell}(\omega) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{F}_{s}(\mathbb{C}^{n_{s_{c}}})}, \\ \pi_{\ell,0}^{s_{c},\mp}(\omega) &= \Omega_{s_{c}}(|\omega|_{\ell};l,m) \otimes (\Omega_{s_{c}}(|\omega|_{\ell};l,m), \ . \ )_{\mathcal{F}_{s}(\mathbb{C}^{n_{s_{c}}})}, \\ u_{\ell,0}^{s_{c},\mp}(\omega) &= U^{s_{c}}(|\omega|_{\ell};l,m)^{*} \\ &= \prod_{|s| \leq s_{c}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\xi_{s}^{s_{c}}(|\omega|_{\ell};l,m)((a_{s}^{*})^{2}-a_{s}^{2})}, \ \pi_{r} = \Omega \otimes (\Omega, \ . \ )_{\mathcal{F}_{s}(\mathbb{C}^{n_{s_{c}}})}. \end{split}$$

Reference unitaries are squeezings of the reference vacuum

#### The perturbative expansion IV

The effective Hamiltonian on the reference space takes the form

$$\hat{h}_{\ell,(1)}^{s_{c},\mp} = \left( \mp \frac{3}{4\omega_{0}^{2}} |\omega|_{\ell} \sin^{2}(\omega_{0}p_{\omega}) + \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{|s| \leq s_{c}} \frac{\Omega_{s}(|\omega|_{\ell};l,m)}{|\omega|_{\ell}} \right) \right)^{\widehat{}} \otimes \pi_{r} \quad (35)$$

$$= \left( \mp \frac{3}{4\omega_{0}^{2}} \left( W_{\varepsilon}(0,\omega_{0}) \widehat{|\omega|_{\ell}} W_{\varepsilon}(0,\omega_{0}) - 2\widehat{|\omega|_{\ell}} + W_{\varepsilon}(0,-\omega_{0}) \widehat{|\omega|_{\ell}} W_{\varepsilon}(0,-\omega_{0}) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{|s| \leq s_{c}} \widehat{|\omega|_{\ell}}^{-1} \Omega(\widehat{|\omega|_{\ell}};l,m) \right) \otimes \pi_{r}.$$

- Time evolution in the gravitation sector is affected by the eigenvalue corresponding to the almost invariant subspace (Peierl's substitution)
- Effective spacetime depends on the spectral band of the quantum field

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### Summary & final remarks

- Approximation method independent of specific states, e.g. coherent states
- Control on the error terms is possible, though difficult
- Inclusion of back reaction is possible
- Treatment of quantum fields on quantum spacetimes requires regularisation (existence of reference unitaries)
- Classical phase space and dynamics are extracted from the quantum system

# Thank you!

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