

*From*  
**HARMONIC OSCILLATORS**  
*to*  
**QUANTUM GRAVITY**

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# CANONICAL QUANTIZATION – 1

**Classical physics**

$$p, q \in \mathbb{R}, \{q, p\} = 1, \quad H(p, q) = [p^2 + q^2]/2$$

$$A = \int [p(t) \dot{q}(t) - H(p(t), q(t))] dt$$

**Favored variables**

$$p \rightarrow P (\equiv P^\dagger) , \quad q \rightarrow Q (\equiv Q^\dagger) ; \quad [Q, P] = i\hbar I$$

**Schrödinger's representation**

$$Q \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R} , \quad P \rightarrow -i\hbar(\partial/\partial x)$$

**Schrödinger's equation**

$$i\hbar \partial \psi(x, t)/\partial t = H(-i\hbar \partial/\partial x, x) \psi(x, t)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(x, t)|^2 dx < \infty$$

# CANONICAL QUANTIZATION – 2

Classical physics

$$-\infty < p < \infty , \underline{0 < q < \infty} , H(p, q) = [p^2 + q^2]/2$$

$$A = \int [p(t) \dot{q}(t) - H(p(t), q(t))] dt$$

Favored variables

$$p \rightarrow \underline{P} (\neq P^\dagger) , \quad q \rightarrow Q (= Q^\dagger) ; \quad [Q, P] = i\hbar I$$

Hamiltonian operator(s)

$$H_0 = [PP^\dagger + Q^2]/2 \neq \underline{[P^\dagger P + Q^2]/2} = H_1$$

Hamiltonian spektra

$$E_0 = \hbar[(0, 2, 4, 6, \dots) + 1/2], \quad E_1 = \hbar[(1, 3, 5, 7, \dots) + 1/2]$$

$$E = \hbar[(0, 2, \underline{3}, 5, 7, 8, 10, \dots) + 1/2]$$

CANONICAL QUANTIZATION FAILS

# AFFINE QUANTIZATION – 1

## Classical variables

$$-\infty < p < \infty , \underline{0 < q < \infty} , \quad H' = [(pq)^2/q^2 + q^2]/2$$

$$A = \int \{p(t)q(t)[\dot{q}(t)/q(t)] - H'(p(t)q(t), q(t))\} dt$$

## Favored variables

$$\underline{p \rightarrow P (\neq P^\dagger)} , \quad q \rightarrow Q (= Q^\dagger) > 0$$
$$pq \rightarrow (P^\dagger Q + QP)/2 \equiv D (= D^\dagger) , \quad [Q, D] = i\hbar Q$$

## Schrödinger's representation

$$Q \rightarrow x \in I\!\!R^+ , \quad D \rightarrow -i\hbar[(\partial/\partial x)x + x(\partial/\partial x)]/2$$

## Schrödinger's equation

$$i\hbar \partial \psi(x, t)/\partial t = H'(-i\hbar[(\partial/\partial x)x + x(\partial/\partial x)]/2, x) \psi(x, t)$$

😊  $\underline{Dx^{-1/2} = 0} , \quad \int_0^\infty |\psi(x, t)|^2 dx < \infty$

# AFFINE QUANTIZATION – 2

*half-harmonic oscillator* ( $m = 1$ )

$$H(p, q) = (p^2 + \omega^2 q^2)/2 , \quad 0 < q < \infty$$

$$H'(pq, q) = ((pq)^2/q^2 + \omega^2 q^2)/2$$

$$\mathcal{H}'(D, Q) = (DQ^{-2}D + \omega^2 Q^2)/2 , \quad Q \rightarrow x > 0$$

$$= [-\hbar^2(x \partial/\partial x + 1/2)x^{-2}(x \partial/\partial x + 1/2) + \omega^2 x^2]/2$$

$$= [-\hbar^2 \partial^2/\partial x^2 + (3/4)\hbar^2/x^2 + \omega^2 x^2]/2$$

**Special Result :** The eigenvalues are equally spaced!



$$E_n = 2(n + 1)\hbar\omega , \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

*Laure Gouba , arXiv : 2005.08696*



# FAVORED COORDINATES – 1

Dirac: “Cartesian coordinates should lead to  $\mathcal{H}(p, q) = H(p, q)$

$$|p, q\rangle = e^{-iqP/\hbar} e^{ipQ/\hbar} |\omega\rangle , \quad \langle \omega | (Q + iP/\omega) | \omega \rangle = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(p, q) &= \langle p, q | \mathcal{H}(P, Q) | p, q \rangle , \\ &= \langle \omega | \mathcal{H}(P + p, Q + q) | \omega \rangle = \mathcal{H}(p, q) + \mathcal{O}(\hbar; p, q) \end{aligned}$$

$$2\hbar[\|d|p, q\rangle\|^2 - |\langle p, q | d|p, q\rangle|^2] = \underline{\omega^{-1}dp^2 + \omega dq^2}$$

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$$|p; q\rangle = e^{ipQ/\hbar} e^{-i\ln(q)D/\hbar} |b\rangle , \quad \langle b | [(Q - \mathbb{1}) + iD/b] | b \rangle = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} H'(pq, q) &= \langle p; q | \mathcal{H}'(D, Q) | p; q \rangle , \\ &= \langle b | \mathcal{H}'(D + pqQ, qQ) | b \rangle = \mathcal{H}'(pq, q) + \mathcal{O}'(\hbar; p, q) \end{aligned}$$

$$2\hbar[\|d|p; q\rangle\|^2 - |\langle p; q | d|p; q\rangle|^2] = \underline{b^{-1}q^2dp^2 + bq^{-2}dq^2}$$

-2/b

😊 CQ → flat , 😊 AQ → constant negative curvature

# AFFINE QUANTIZATION – 3

## Action for Schrödinger's equation

$$A_Q = \int \langle \psi(t) | [i\hbar(\partial/\partial t) - \mathcal{H}(P, Q)] | \psi(t) \rangle dt$$

$$A'_Q = \int \langle \psi(t) | [i\hbar(\partial/\partial t) - \mathcal{H}'(D, Q)] | \psi(t) \rangle dt$$

## Canonical coherent states

$$|p, q\rangle = e^{-iqP/\hbar} e^{ipQ/\hbar} |\omega\rangle \quad |p; q\rangle = e^{ipQ/\hbar} e^{-i\ln(q)D/\hbar} |b\rangle$$

## Action for enhanced classical equations

$$A_C = \int \langle p(t), q(t) | [i\hbar(\partial/\partial t) - \mathcal{H}(P, Q)] | p(t), q(t) \rangle dt$$

$$A'_C = \int \langle p(t); q(t) | [i\hbar(\partial/\partial t) - \mathcal{H}'(D, Q)] | p(t); q(t) \rangle dt$$

$$A_c = \int \{p(t)\dot{q}(t) - H(p(t), q(t))\} dt ,$$

$$A'_c = \int \{-q(t)\dot{p}(t) - H'(p(t)q(t), q(t))\} dt,$$

Both operator pairs lead to similar classical stories, and with  $\hbar > 0$ .

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# 😊 Bonus topic – 1 (no charge) 😊

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**Classical covariant scalar field      NR!**

$$\kappa(x) \equiv \pi(x)\varphi(x) , \quad \{\varphi(x), \kappa(y)\} = \delta^s(x - y)\varphi(x) , \quad s \geq 4$$

$$H'(\kappa, \varphi) = \int \{ [\kappa(x)\varphi(x)^{-2}\kappa(x) + (\vec{\nabla}\varphi)(x)^2 + m_o^2\varphi(x)^2]/2 + g_o\varphi(x)^4 \} d^s x$$

**Affine quantization**

$$\varphi(x) \rightarrow \hat{\varphi}(x) , \quad \kappa(x) \rightarrow \hat{\kappa}(x) , \quad [\hat{\varphi}(x), \hat{\kappa}(y)] = i\hbar \delta^s(x - y) \hat{\varphi}(x)$$

**Schrödinger's representation**

$$\hat{\varphi}(x) \rightarrow \varphi(x) , \quad \hat{\kappa}(x) \rightarrow -i\hbar[\varphi(x)(\delta/\delta\varphi(x)) + (\delta/\delta\varphi(x))\varphi(x)]/2$$

**Schrödinger's equation**

$$i\hbar \partial\Psi(\varphi, t)/\partial t = \int \{ [\hat{\kappa}(x)\varphi(x)^{-2}\hat{\kappa}(x) + (\vec{\nabla}\varphi(x))^2 + m_o^2\varphi(x)^2]/2 + g_o\varphi(x)^4 \} d^s x \Psi(\varphi, t)$$

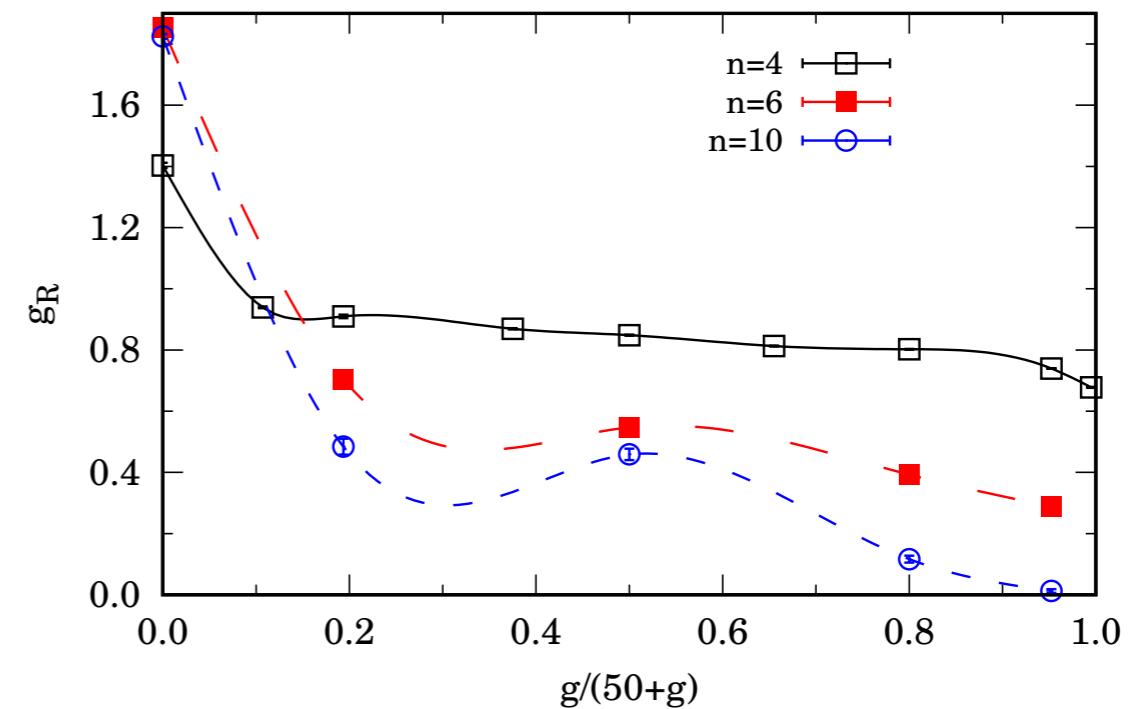
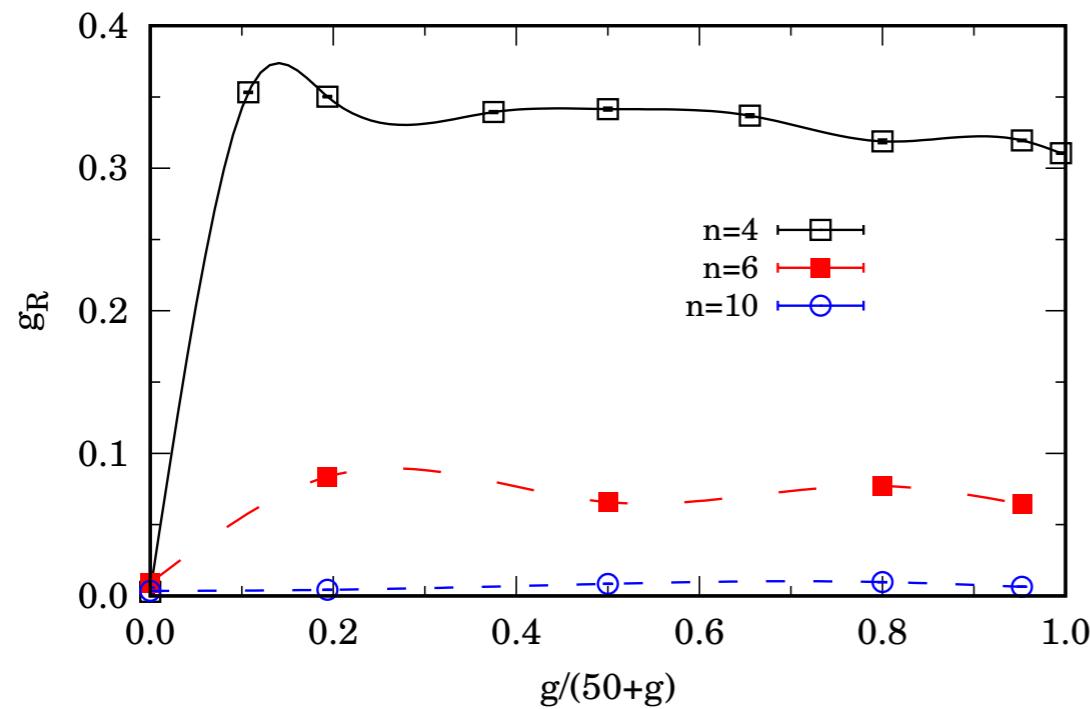
$$\underline{\hat{\kappa}(x)\varphi(x)^{-1/2} = 0}$$



$$\int |\Psi(\varphi)|^2 \mathcal{D}\varphi < \infty$$

## *Bonus topic – 2 (no charge)*

*canonical*  $(\varphi^{12})_3$       *affine*  $(\varphi^{12})_3$



Riccardo Fantoni; arXiv : 2011.09862

canonical  $(\varphi^4)_4 \downarrow$ , affine  $(\varphi^4)_4 \uparrow$

R. Fantoni, J.R. Klauder; arXiv : 2012.09991



## Bonus topic – 3 (no charge)



### An Ultralocal (= NO gradients) Model

$s \geq 1 \quad NR!$

$$i\hbar \partial \Psi(\varphi, t)/\partial t = [\int \{ [\hat{\kappa}(x)\varphi(x)^{-2}\hat{\kappa}(x) + m_o^2\varphi(x)^2]/2 + g_o\varphi(x)^4 \} d^s x ] \Psi(\varphi, t)$$

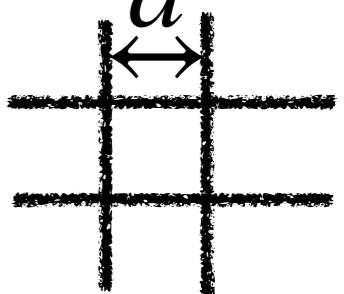
$$\underline{\hat{\kappa}(x)} \underline{\varphi(x)^{-1/2}} = 0 \quad , \quad \Psi(\varphi) = e^{-W(\varphi)} \prod_x |\varphi(x)|^{-1/2}$$

### Regularization and continuum limit

$$\varphi(x) \rightarrow \varphi_{\mathbf{k}} \equiv \varphi(\mathbf{k}a), \quad \underline{a > 0}, \quad \mathbf{k} \in \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots\}^s$$

$$\Psi_r(\varphi) = e^{-W_r(\varphi)} \prod_{\mathbf{k}} (ba^s)^{1/2} |\varphi_{\mathbf{k}}|^{-(1-2ba^s)/2}, \quad \int |\Psi_r(\varphi)|^2 \prod_{\mathbf{k}} d\varphi_{\mathbf{k}} = 1$$

$$s = 2$$



$$C(f) = \lim \prod_{\mathbf{k}} \int e^{if_{\mathbf{k}}\varphi_{\mathbf{k}}/\hbar} (ba^s) e^{-2W_r(\varphi_{\mathbf{k}})} |\varphi_{\mathbf{k}}|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_{\mathbf{k}}$$

$$C(f) = \lim_{\substack{a \rightarrow 0 \\ a \rightarrow 0}} \prod_{\mathbf{k}} \int \{ 1 - (ba^s) \int [1 - e^{if_{\mathbf{k}}\varphi_{\mathbf{k}}/\hbar}] e^{-2W_r(\varphi_{\mathbf{k}})} |\varphi_{\mathbf{k}}|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_{\mathbf{k}} \}$$

$$C(f) = \exp \{ -b \int d^s x \int [1 - e^{if(x)\lambda/\hbar}] e^{-2w(\lambda)} d\lambda / |\lambda| \}$$



# AFFINE GRAVITY – 1

# Classical variables $a, b, c, \dots = 1, 2, 3$

$$\text{metric} \quad g_{ab}(x) = g_{ba}(x) \quad , \quad \text{momentum} \quad \pi^{cd}(x) = \pi^{dc}(x)$$

$$ds(x)^2 = g_{ab}(x) dx^a dx^b > 0 \quad , \quad g(x) \equiv \det[g_{ab}(x)] > 0 \quad , \quad \{g\} \equiv \{g_{ab}(x)\} > 0$$

$$g_{ac}(x) g^{bc}(x) \equiv \delta_a^b \quad , \qquad \pi^{ac}(x) g_{bc}(x) \equiv \pi_b^a(x) \quad \text{😊} \quad \text{😊}$$

# Classical Hamiltonian

$$H'(\pi, g) = \int \{ g^{-1/2} [\pi_b^a \pi_a^b - (1/2) \pi_a^a \pi_b^b] + g^{1/2} ({}^3R) \} d^3x$$

# Poisson brackets

$$\{\pi_b^a(x), \pi_d^c(x')\} = (1/2) \delta^3(x, x') [\delta_d^a \pi_b^c(x) - \delta_b^c \pi_d^a(x)]$$

$$\{g_{ab}(x), \pi_d^c(x')\} = (1/2) \delta^3(x, x') [\delta_a^c g_{bd}(x) + \delta_b^c g_{ad}(x)]$$

$$\{g_{ab}(x), g_{cd}(x')\} = 0 \quad \{g_{ab}(x)\} > 0$$

## FAVORED COORDINATES – 2

$$|p, q\rangle = e^{-iqP/\hbar} e^{ipQ/\hbar} |\omega\rangle , \quad \langle \omega | (Q + iP/\omega) |\omega\rangle = 0$$

$$2\hbar[\|d|p, q\rangle\|^2 - |\langle p, q|d|p, q\rangle|^2] = \omega^{-1}dp^2 + \omega dq^2$$

$$|p; q\rangle = e^{ipQ/\hbar} e^{-i\ln(q)D/\hbar} |b\rangle , \quad \langle b | [(Q - 1\!\!1) + iD/b] |b\rangle = 0$$

$$2\hbar[\|d|p; q\rangle\|^2 - |\langle p; q|d|p; q\rangle|^2] = b^{-1}q^2dp^2 + b q^{-2}dq^2$$

$$|\pi; g\rangle = e^{(i/\hbar)\int \pi^{ab}(x) \hat{g}_{ab}(x) d^3x} e^{-(i/\hbar)\int \eta_b^a(x) \hat{\pi}_a^b(x) d^3x} |\beta\rangle , \quad \{g(x)\} = e^{\{\eta(x)\}} > 0$$

$$C\hbar[\|d|\pi; g\rangle\|^2 - |\langle \pi; g|d|\pi; g\rangle|^2] ; \quad \langle \beta | [(\hat{g}_{ab}(x) - \delta_{ab}1\!\!1) + i\hat{\pi}_d^c(x)/\beta(x)\hbar] |\beta\rangle = 0$$

$$= \int [(\beta(x)\hbar)^{-1} g_{ab}g_{cd} d\pi^{bc}d\pi^{da} + (\beta(x)\hbar) g^{ab}g^{cd} dg_{bc}dg_{da}] d^3x$$

**affine gravity : constant negative curvature**

# AFFINE GRAVITY – 2

## Quantum gravity coherent states

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \pi''; g'' | \pi'; g' \rangle &= \exp \left\{ -2 \int \beta(x) d^3x \right. \\ &\times \ln \left\{ \frac{\det \left\{ \frac{1}{2} [g''^{ab}(x) + g'^{ab}(x)] + i \frac{1}{2\hbar} \beta(x)^{-1} [\pi''^{ab}(x) - \pi'^{ab}(x)] \right\}}{\det[g''^{ab}(x)]^{1/2} \det[g'^{ab}(x)]^{1/2}} \right\} \left. \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H'(\pi_b^a(x), g_{cd}(x)) &= \langle \pi; g | \mathcal{H}'(\hat{\pi}_b^a(x), \hat{g}_{cd}(x)) | \pi; g \rangle \\ &= \langle \beta | \mathcal{H}'(\hat{\pi}_b^a(x) + \pi^{aj}(x)[e^{\eta(x)/2}]_j^e \hat{g}_{ef}(x)[e^{\eta(x)/2}]_b^f, [e^{\eta(x)/2}]_c^e \hat{g}_{ef}(x)[e^{\eta(x)/2}]_d^f) | \beta \rangle \\ &= \mathcal{H}'(\pi^{aj}(x)g_{jb}(x), g_{cd}(x)) + \mathcal{O}'(\hbar; \pi, g) \end{aligned}$$

## Basic quantum commutations

$$[\hat{\pi}_b^a(x), \hat{\pi}_d^c(x')] = i\hbar(1/2) \delta^3(x, x') [\delta_d^a \hat{\pi}_b^c(x) - \delta_b^c \hat{\pi}_d^a(x)]$$

$$[\hat{g}_{ab}(x), \hat{\pi}_d^c(x')] = i\hbar(1/2) \delta^3(x, x') [\delta_a^c \hat{g}_{bd}(x) + \delta_b^c \hat{g}_{ad}(x)]$$

$$[\hat{g}_{ab}(x), \hat{g}_{cd}(x')] = 0 \quad , \quad \{\hat{g}_{ab}(x)\} > 0$$

# AFFINE GRAVITY – 3

## Schrödinger's representation

$$\hat{g}_{ab}(x) = g_{ab}(x)$$

$$\hat{\pi}_b^a(x) = -i\hbar(1/2)[g_{bc}(x)(\delta/\delta g_{ac}(x)) + (\delta/\delta g_{ac}(x))g_{bc}(x)]$$

## Schrödinger's equation

$$i\hbar \partial \Psi(\{g\}, t)/\partial t = \left[ \int [\hat{\pi}_b^a(x)g(x)^{-1/2}\hat{\pi}_a^b(x) - \frac{1}{2}\hat{\pi}_a^a(x)g(x)^{-1/2}\hat{\pi}_b^b(x) + g(x)^{1/2} {}^3R(x)] d^3x \right] \Psi(\{g\}, t)$$

## Functional properties

$$\underline{\hat{\pi}_b^a(x) g(x)^{-1/2} = 0} \quad , \quad \Psi(\{g\}) = Y(\{g\}) \Pi_x g(x)^{-1/2} \quad \text{formal}$$
$$\Psi_r(\{g\}) = Y_r(\{g\}) \Pi_{\mathbf{k}} [\sum_{\mathbf{l}} J_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{l}} g_{\mathbf{l}}]^{-(1-ba^3)/2} \quad \text{regularized}$$

## SMOOTH METRICS & CONSTRAINTS

$$\underline{\{[\hat{\pi}_b^a(x)\hat{\pi}_a^b(x) - \frac{1}{2}\hat{\pi}_a^a(x)\hat{\pi}_b^b(x)] + g(x) {}^3R(x)\} \Phi(\{g\}) = 0} \quad , \quad \{g(\cdot)\} \in C^2$$

# AFFINE QUANTUM GRAVITY

- 😊 *Canonical quantization takes favored classical variables and promotes them to basic operators . Schrödinger's representation and equation quantizes via  $CQ$ , for a selected set of problems .*
- 😊 *Affine quantization takes favored classical variables and promotes them to basic operators . Schrödinger's representation and equation quantizes via  $AQ$ , for a selected set of problems .*
- 😊 *There is also  $SQ$ , which is spin quantization . ...*

**Quantization involves  $SQ$  ,  $CQ$  , and  $AQ$ , all together!  
Dictated by : Constant ( + , 0, - ) Numerical Curvatures .**

# From H O(S) to Q G

Affine quantization is exactly like canonical quantization .  
The difference lies in the choice of BASIC OPERATORS .

Affine quantization does NOT compete with  
canonical quantization . It JOINS with canonical  
quantization to make ENHANCED QUANTIZATION .

• **Thank You** •

*spin , favored gravity variables , REF*

# FAVORED COORDINATES – 3

Spin variable properties ,  $SU(2)$  ,  $SO(3)$

$$[S_2, S_3] = i\hbar S_1 \quad , \quad S_1^2 + S_2^2 + S_3^2 = \hbar^2 s(s+1)I_{2s+1} \quad , \quad s \in (1/2)\{1,2,3,\dots\}$$

$$S_3 |s, m\rangle = m\hbar |s, m\rangle \quad , \quad m \in \{-s, \dots, s-1, s\} \quad , \quad (S_1 + iS_2) |s, s\rangle = 0$$

Spin coherent states

$$|\theta, \varphi\rangle \equiv e^{-i\varphi S_3/\hbar} e^{-i\theta S_2/\hbar} |s, s\rangle \quad , \quad \begin{matrix} -\pi < \varphi \leq \pi \\ \text{latitude} \end{matrix} , \quad \begin{matrix} -\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2 \\ \text{longitude} \end{matrix}$$

$$-\pi(s\hbar)^{1/2} < q \leq \pi(s\hbar)^{1/2} \quad , \quad -(s\hbar)^{1/2} \leq p \leq (s\hbar)^{1/2}$$

$$|p, q\rangle \equiv e^{-i(q/(s\hbar)^{1/2})S_3/\hbar} e^{-i\cos^{-1}(p/(s\hbar)^{1/2})S_2/\hbar} |s, s\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma^2 &= 2\hbar[\|d|\theta, \varphi\rangle\|^2 - |\langle\theta, \varphi|d|\theta, \varphi\rangle|^2] \\ &= (s\hbar)[d\theta^2 + \cos(\theta)^2 d\varphi^2] \\ &= (1 - p^2/s\hbar)^{-1} dp^2 + (1 - p^2/s\hbar) dq^2 \end{aligned}$$

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