

Is the flat spacetime related to a kinematical structure?

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Snyder introduced quantized spacetime in 1947. As an example, the commutator of position momentum ($[x, p] = i\hbar$) is represented as (Snyder, 1947):

$$[x, p_x] = i\hbar \left[1 + \left(\frac{a}{\hbar} \right)^2 p x^2 \right], \quad (1)$$

Where a is a natural unit of length. The standard commutator is restored when $a \rightarrow 0$. Within this frame, the Einstein Hamiltonian of a lattice of Planck length (λ_P) may be (Glinka, 2010):

$$E^2 = c^2 p^2 + m^2 c^4 + \alpha \left(\frac{c}{\hbar} \right)^2 \lambda_P^2 p^4, \quad (2)$$

where α is a dimensionless constant. Then with linearization Glinka modified Dirac equation to include λ_P . However, Planck length and Planck time are constants and are based on the universal physical constants, according to Planck units system. In other words, they are not related to a physical theory (Meschini, 2006), in other words, they are introduced via dimensional analysis technique.

In all proposed theories, those include Planck length or any unit of length ($\lambda \equiv a$ or λ_P ) the ordinary spacetime continuum arises as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$. This λ works as a boundary between two different worlds.

In 2016, an attempt looked for a possible mathematical derivation of Dirac equation form without aid of quantum postulates and Dirac linearized Hamiltonian (Sanduk, 2017). That approach attributed Dirac equation form to time differentiation of a complex vector:

$$\mathcal{Z} = \mathbf{b} \exp i(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t) = b \hat{\mathbf{e}}_r \exp i(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} - \omega t). \quad (3)$$

Where \mathbf{b} is a real radial vector. The complex vector (\mathcal{Z}) is deduced from Dirac Hamiltonian. The obtained derived Dirac equation form postulates is:

$$i \frac{\partial \mathcal{Z}}{\partial t} = (-i c \mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla + B \omega) \mathcal{Z}, \quad (4)$$

Where $\mathbf{A} = \mp i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_\theta$ and $B = \pm 1$. Equation (4) describes the evolution process of the function \mathcal{Z} . Then, the quantity inside brackets of equation (4) has the form of Dirac Hamiltonian. This equation is for a motion in a complex plane. The second time derivative of equation (4) leads to an equation similar to the Klein-Gordon equation.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{Z}}{\partial t^2} = (-c^2 \nabla^2 + \omega^2) \mathcal{Z}. \quad (5)$$

The quantity inside brackets of equation (5) has the form of the energy-momentum relation of flat spacetime.

The structure of complex vector (equation (3)) can be considered with aid of Euler's formula in a trigonometrical form (Sanduk, 2017).

$$\mathcal{Z}(x, t) = \mathbf{b} \{ \cos(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} - \omega t) + \sqrt{-\sin^2(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x} - \omega t)} \} \quad (6)$$

That leads to assume a general real algebraic form for the function 6:

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathcal{B} \left\{ \cos(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} - \omega t) \pm \sqrt{-\sin^2(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} - \omega t) + X} \right\} \quad (7)$$

Where X a real dimensionless quantity. This form is for position vector of a point in system of two rolling circles of radii a_1 and a_2 . In addition to that $a_1 \ll a_2$, $a_2 = 1/k_2$, $\ell = a_1 + a_2$ and $X = a_1/\ell$.

In case of partial observation (Sanduk, 2012) of the system, the quantities $X = 0$ or $a_1 = 0$. That means the small circle can not be recognised. Then equation (7) transforms to equation (6 or 3).

Time differentiation of equation (7):

$$\frac{\partial r(r,t,X)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial(a_2 + \ell\sqrt{X})}{\partial t} \left\{ \cos(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} - \omega t) \pm \sqrt{-\sin^2(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} - \omega t) + X} \right\} + (a_2 + \ell\sqrt{X}) \left\{ \omega \sin(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} - \omega t) \pm \frac{\omega \sin(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} - \omega t) \cos(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} - \omega t) + \frac{\partial X}{\partial t}}{\sqrt{-\sin^2(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{s} - \omega t) + X}} \right\} \quad .(8)$$

This form does not show any relationship with Dirac equation form, but Dirac equation and Hamiltonian forms (equation (4)) can be restored when $X = 0$. Equation (8) does not show a relativistic Hamiltonian.

Conclusions

- 1- The space and time combination terms in (4, and 5) are owing to the structure of two rolling circles.
- 2- The minimum length does not imposed as a limit, but is owing to a generalised kinematical model.
- 3-The spacetime continuum may be attributed to the effect of the partial observation on the kinematical system of two rolling circles. It looks as the ordinary Lorentzian spacetime arises as $X = 0$. Or $a_1 = 0$, this condition leads to spacetime continuum and quantum realm.
- 4-The imaginary unit vector ($i \hat{e}_\theta$) is responsible for the negative square quantity in first terms of equation (5).
- 5- Both of the spacetime continuum and the complex function arise due to the partial observation.
- 6- This approach for quantum form shows that there is no need for minimal physical length and time interval as Plank length and time.
- 7- There is no observable spacetime beyond Minkowski space (microscale).

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