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The Algebraic Formulation of Quantum Field Theory

- ► We consider a relativistic quantum theory on Minkowski space ℝ^d.
- A model is characterized in terms of its net of algebras A of local observables, which are given by bounded operators on the Hilbert space of the theory H.
- A contains all local algebras A(O) ⊂ B(H), which are the von Neumann algebras generated by the observables localized in a spacetime region O ⊂ ℝ^d.
- The assignment

$$\mathbb{R}^d \supset \mathcal{O} \longmapsto \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}) \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$$

contains all the physical information of the theory.

For this assignment to model the observables of a relativistic quantum system, the algebras A(O) must have...

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... a number of properties:

Isotony

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}_1) \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}_2) \quad ext{for} \quad \mathcal{O}_1 \subset \mathcal{O}_2.$$

Causality

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}_1) \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}_2)' \quad \text{for} \quad \mathcal{O}_1 \subset \mathcal{O}_2'.$$

There exists a strongly continuous, unitary representation U : P[↑]₊ → B(H).

Covariance

$$U(g)\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O})U(g)^{-1}=\mathcal{A}(g\mathcal{O}), \quad g\in \mathcal{P}_+^\uparrow.$$

- The spectrum of P^{μ} is in the closed forward light cone.
- ► unique "Vacuum state" Ω ∈ ℋ invariant under the action of U.
- Ω is cyclic and separating for $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O})$.

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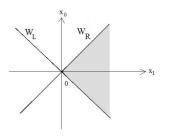
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Wedges



The right wedge

$$W_R := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x_1 > |x_0|\}$$

General wedge: Poincaré transform $W = \Lambda W_R + x$.

"Wedges are big enough to allow for simple observables being localized in them, but also small enough so that two of them can be spacelike separated"

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Construction of Local Nets from Wedge Algebras

- Local nets can be constructed from a "wedge algebra" and an action of the Poincaré group.
- Let \mathcal{N} be a \mathcal{C}^* -subalgebra of $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ such that

 $\begin{array}{ll} U(x,\Lambda)\mathcal{N}U(x,\Lambda)^* \subset \mathcal{N} & \text{if} & \Lambda W_R + x \subset W_R & (\text{isotony}) \\ U(x,\Lambda)\mathcal{N}U(x,\Lambda)^* \subset \mathcal{N}' & \text{if} & \Lambda W_R + x \subset W_R' & (\text{locality}) \end{array}$

 $\ensuremath{\mathcal{N}}$ is called a wedge algebra.

Then

$$\mathcal{A}: \Lambda W_R + x \longmapsto U(x,\Lambda) \mathcal{N} U(x,\Lambda)^*$$

is a well-defined, isotonus, local, covariant net of C^* -algebras.

 Extension to smaller regions: if

$$\mathcal{O} = (W_R + x) \cap (W_L + y), \quad y - x \in W_R$$

then

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{O}) := \mathcal{A}(W_R + x) \cap \mathcal{A}(W_L + y).$$

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Example for an explicit contruction of a right wedge algebra: Models with factorizing S-matrix on 2-Minkowski space.

- a. Fix the particle spectrum of the theory: one species of particle, massive and scalar.
- b. Define the single particle space $\mathcal{H}_1 = L^2(\mathbb{R}^2, d\mu(p))$, together with an irreducible representation U of the Poincaré group on it. (Same as free field theory with the same particle spectrum).
- c. Construct *H* as the S-symmetrized Fock space over *H*₁. *H* then automatically has a representation of the Poincaré group. In addition, define a representation of space-time reflection *U*(*j*) on *H*.

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d. Introduce the Zamolodchikov algebra (z and z^+ as improper operators on \mathcal{H}).

$$\begin{aligned} z(\vartheta_1)z(\vartheta_2) &= S(\vartheta_1 - \vartheta_2)z(\vartheta_2)z(\vartheta_1) \\ z^+(\vartheta_1)z^+(\vartheta_2) &= S(\vartheta_1 - \vartheta_2)z^+(\vartheta_2)z^+(\vartheta_1) \\ z(\vartheta_1)z^+(\vartheta_2) &= S(\vartheta_2 - \vartheta_1)z^+(\vartheta_2)z(\vartheta_1) + \delta(\vartheta_1 - \vartheta_2) \cdot 1_{\mathcal{H}}. \end{aligned}$$

e. Introduce a quantum field ϕ ("Wightman framework") on 2-Minkowski. Let $f \in S(\mathbb{R}^2)$,

$$\phi(f) := \int dx f(x) \int d\vartheta \left(z^+(\vartheta) e^{ip(\vartheta) \cdot x} + z(\vartheta) e^{-ip(\vartheta) \cdot x} \right)$$

 $\phi(f)$ is an "operator valued distribution" over 2-Minkowski, defined on $\mathcal{D}(=$ subspace of \mathcal{H} of finite particle number states) and leaves this space invariant. For $\Psi \in \mathcal{D}$,

$$||\phi(f)\Psi|| \le (||f^+|| + ||f^-||) \cdot ||(N+1)^{1/2}\Psi||$$

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...with the following properties:

- if $\Psi \in \mathcal{D}$, then $\phi(f)^* \Psi = \phi(\overline{f}) \Psi$.
- if $\Psi \in \mathcal{D}$, then $\phi((\Box + m^2)f)\Psi = 0$.
- U representation of \mathcal{P}_+^{\uparrow} , $U(x,\lambda)\phi(f)U(x,\lambda)^{-1} = \phi(f_{(x,\lambda)}).$
- Ω is cyclic for the polynomial algebra generated by ϕ .
- ϕ is local if and only if S = 1.
- We consider U(j) := J, (JΨ)_n(ϑ₁,..,ϑ_n) := Ψ_n(ϑ_n,..,ϑ₁), and we define:

$$\phi'(f) := J\phi(f^j)J.$$

in terms of
$$z(\psi)' := Jz(\psi)J$$
, $z^+(\psi)' := Jz^+(\psi)J$.

Proposition

Wedge locality: for $f \in S(W_R)$, $g \in S(W_L)$, there holds

$$[\phi'(f),\phi(g)]\Psi=0,\qquad \Psi\in\mathcal{D}_{+}$$

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f. We construct nets $W \longmapsto \mathcal{A}(W)$ of wedge algebras by

$$egin{array}{lll} \mathcal{A}(W_R) & := & \left\{ e^{i\phi'(f)} : f \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{R}}(W_R)
ight\}'', \ \mathcal{A}(W_L) & := & \left\{ e^{i\phi(f)} : f \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{R}}(W_L)
ight\}''. \end{array}$$

It is a well-defined wedge-algebra.

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Define the double cone algebras by intersection of wedge algebras.

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 h. Apply Haag-Ruelle scattering theory. Result: The S-matrix is factorizing, and the two-particle S-matrix is the function we started with.

$$S_{n,n}(\boldsymbol{\theta};\boldsymbol{\theta}') = S_{n,n}^{0}(\boldsymbol{\theta};\boldsymbol{\theta}') \prod_{1 \le l < k \le n} S(|\theta_{k} - \theta_{l}|)$$

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The Araki expansion

- Task: Characterization of local operators in the double cone algebras.
- Existence and uniqueness of the Araki expansion for arbitrary bounded (or in fact more general) operator.

$$A = \sum_{m,n}^{\infty} \int d^{m}\theta d^{n}\eta f_{m,n}^{[A]}(\theta,\eta) z^{+m}(\theta) z^{n}(\eta)$$

The coefficients functions:

$$egin{aligned} f_{mn}^{[\mathcal{A}]}(heta,\eta) &:= rac{1}{m!n!}\sum_{C\in\mathcal{C}_{m+n,m}} (-1)^{|C|} \delta_C S_C^{(m)} imes \ & imes < z^{+(n-|C|)}(\hat{\eta}) \Omega, J\mathcal{A}^* J z^{+(m-|C|)}(\hat{ heta}) \Omega > \end{aligned}$$

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Define

$$< A >_{n,k}^{con} := \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}_{n,k}} (-1)^{|C|} \delta_C S_C^{(k)} < I_C |A| \mathbf{r}_C >_{n,k}$$

Proposition

In a model with regular scattering function S, let $A \in \mathcal{A}(W_R)$. $a) < A >_{n,0}^{con}$ is analytic in the tube $\mathbb{R}^n - i\mathcal{B}_n$. b) Let $0 < \kappa < \kappa(S)$. There holds the bound,

$$|\langle A \rangle_{n,0}^{con}(\boldsymbol{\zeta})| \leq \Big(rac{8}{\pi}rac{||S||}{\sqrt{\kappa(S)-\kappa}}\Big)||A||, \quad \zeta \in \mathcal{T}.$$

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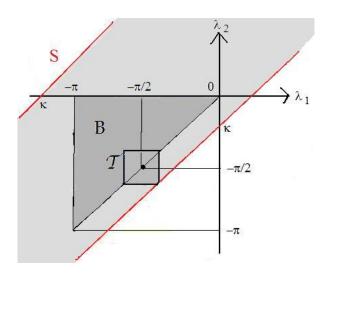
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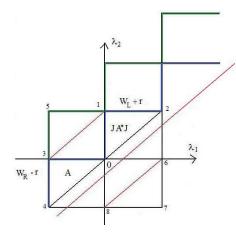
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Extension

Now, let A be an operator localized in a double cone.



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Based on the interplay between A and JA*J in the functions f^[A]_{mn}(θ), the Malgrange-Zerner Theorem and the Epstein's Edge of Wedge Theorem.

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If A is a bounded operator localized in a double cone, then the coefficients functions are boundary values of meromorphic functions F_k on C^k, which fulfil bounds

$$|F_{k}(\zeta)| \leq \left(\frac{C||S||^{k}}{\sqrt{\rho}}\right) e^{\mu r \cosh(\vartheta_{s})|\sin\lambda_{s}|} \prod_{j\neq s} e^{\mu r \cosh(|\vartheta_{j}|+\rho)} \times \\ \times \prod_{\substack{p,m=1\\p\neq m}}^{k} |\zeta_{p} - \zeta_{m} - i\pi|^{-1} \prod_{n=1}^{k} |\mathcal{M}(\zeta_{n} + i\pi)|^{-1}$$

with
$$\boldsymbol{\zeta} = \boldsymbol{\theta} + i(0, ..., 0, \lambda_s, \pi, ..., \pi), \lambda_s \in (0, \pi).$$

fulfil the recursion relations

$$F_{m+n}(\boldsymbol{ heta}-i\mathbf{0},\boldsymbol{\eta}+i\boldsymbol{\pi}+i\mathbf{0})=\sum_{C\in\mathcal{C}_{m+n,m}}(-1)^{|C|}\delta_C imes$$

$$\times S_C \prod_{j=1}^{|C|} \left(1 - \prod_{p_j=1}^{m+n} S_{r_j,p_j}^{(m)} \right) F_{m+n-2|C|}(\hat{\theta} + i\mathbf{0}, \hat{\eta} + i\pi - i\mathbf{0})$$

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... and the properties of S-periodicity and S-symmetry

$$F_k(\theta_1,..,\theta_j+2i\pi,..,\theta_k) = \left(\prod_{\substack{i=1\\i\neq j}}^k S(\theta_i-\theta_j)\right)F_k(\theta_1,..,\theta_j,..,\theta_k)$$

$$F_{k}(\vartheta_{1},..,\vartheta_{j},\vartheta_{j+1},..,\vartheta_{k}) = S(\vartheta_{j+1}-\vartheta_{j})F_{k}(\vartheta_{1},..,\vartheta_{j+1},\vartheta_{j},..,\vartheta_{k})$$

Conversely, given a family of functions F_k with those properties, then the Araki expansion defines an operator (an unbounded quadratic form) which is localized in a double cone.

$$A = \sum_{m,n}^{\infty} \int \frac{d^m \theta d^n \eta}{m! n!} F_{m+n}(\theta + i\mathbf{0}, \eta + i\pi - i\mathbf{0}) z^{+m}(\theta) z^n(\eta)$$

Question: encode the norm bounds of A in terms of F_k .

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The second part of the theorem

Locality

• Show
$$[A, \phi'(x)] = 0$$
 if $x = Re_1, R > r$

• Show
$$[A, \phi(x)] = 0$$
 if $R < -r$.

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where $F_k^{\pi} = F_k(\cdot + i\pi)$. The recursion relations play a fundamental role.

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- We have a general theorem which characterizes explicitly the local operators in Factorizing Scattering Models.
- ▶ Open task: to encode ||A||_X in terms of F_k. How can this be formulated?
- We provided an example in the case S = −1 (Buchholz/Summers 2007).

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int d\theta d\eta \sinh(\frac{\theta - \eta}{2}) \hat{g}(\theta) \hat{g}(\eta) z^{+}(\eta) z^{+}(\theta) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \int d\eta d\theta \sinh(\frac{\theta - \eta}{2}) \hat{g}(\theta) \hat{g}(\eta) z(\eta) z(\theta) \\ + i \int d\eta d\theta \cosh(\frac{\theta - \eta}{2}) \hat{g}(\theta) \hat{g}(\eta) z^{+}(\eta) z(\theta)$$

Can we find an example for S = -1 with non-trivial recursion relations? (Schroer/Truong 1978) Can we find an example for general S?

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