# ROAD TO THE MULTIVERSE PAVED BY QUANTUM INTERACTIONS

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#### INTRODUCTION

- > Why multiverse?
  - Emerges naturally in some physical theories
  - It could solve some open cosmological questions (i. e. cosmological constant problem)
  - Depends on the definition of a universe
- Physical multiverse
  - Appropriate multiverse scenario to make observational predictions
  - It need some kind of non standard interaction between universes (classical or quantum)
  - It is not related with a particular multiverse theory

- > Quantum correlations between universes
  - Classically disconnected universes
  - Quantum entanglement → effects of other universes on our own
  - Consideration of the multiverse as a whole

 $\succ$  We need to make a simple model for the multiverse: the universes and the interactions between them

- Third quantization scheme
- Different models
  - Decoherence due to the environment made of other universes → Master equation
  - 2) Curvature Principle  $\rightarrow$  Curvature invariant for each universe
  - 3) Multiverse of interacting harmonic oscillators  $\rightarrow$  Wigner quantization

#### THIRD QUANTIZATION FORMALISM

- > Analogy with quantum field theory
  - WDW as K-G in superspace → Wavefunction as the field to quantize
  - Creation and annihilation of universes → baby universes
- ➢ Minisuperspace: Homogeneous and isotropic models → FLRW metric
  - Scale factor as a time variable

harmonic oscillator (time dependent frequency) > Wavefunction of the multiverse  $H|\Psi\rangle = i\hbar\partial_a |\Psi\rangle$ 

where 
$$H = \frac{1}{2}\hat{P}_{\phi}^{2} + \frac{\Omega^{2}(a)}{2}\hat{\phi}^{2}$$

Creation and annihilation operators

$$\begin{pmatrix} b = \sqrt{\frac{\Omega(a)}{2\hbar}} \left( \hat{\phi} + \frac{i}{\Omega(a)} \hat{P}_{\phi} \right) \\ b^{+} = \sqrt{\frac{\Omega(a)}{2\hbar}} \left( \hat{\phi} - \frac{i}{\Omega(a)} \hat{P}_{\phi} \right)$$

So, the Hamiltonian 
$$H = \beta_{-}b^{2} + \beta_{+}b^{\dagger^{2}} + \beta_{0}\left(b^{\dagger}b + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

### DECOHERENCE IN THE MULTIVERSE

> The interaction can be represented by a total Hamiltonian

$$H = H_P + H_\varepsilon + H_{int}$$

where

• 
$$H_P = \frac{1}{2}P_{\Phi}^2 + \frac{\Omega^2(a)}{2}\Phi^2$$
  
•  $H_{\varepsilon} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{2}p_{\phi_i}^2 + \frac{\omega_i^2}{2}\phi_i^2$   
•  $H_{int} = \sum_i \lambda_i \Phi_P \otimes f(\phi_i) \longrightarrow \begin{cases} f(\phi_i) \equiv \phi_i & \text{Linear interaction} \\ f(\phi_i) \equiv \phi_i^2 & \text{Quadratic interaction} \end{cases}$ 

#### Master equation

 $\partial_a \rho_P = -i[\tilde{H}_P, \rho_P] - i\gamma[\Phi, \{P_\Phi, \rho_P\}] - (D[\Phi, [\Phi, \rho_P]] - f[\Phi, [P_\Phi, \rho_P]])$ with  $\tilde{H}_P \equiv H_P + \frac{\hat{\Omega}^2}{2} \Phi^2$ noise kernel dissipation kernel • Correlation function  $\langle \phi^k(a)\phi^k(a')\rangle_b = \nu(a,a') - i\eta(a,a')$ 

- Solution to WDW + dissipation kernel Lamb shift
- Solution to WDW + dissipation kernel Normal-diffusion coeficient

> Calculating... 
$$\begin{cases} \Omega^2(a) = c_1 f(a,q) \\ D(a) = c_2 g(a,q) \end{cases}$$

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#### INTERACTION OF A UNIVERSE WITH ITS QUANTUM FLUCTUATIONS

Creation and annihilation operators
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squeezed state

 $\succ$  The expressions for the noise and dissipation kernel involves the spectral density  $\rightarrow$  encapsulates the physical properties of baby universes

$$J(\omega) = J_0^2 \omega^3 e^{-\omega/\Lambda}$$

 $\succ$  Results • Linear interaction  $\begin{cases} c_1 \sim \text{cte} \\ c_2 \sim N \end{cases}$  • Quadratic interaction  $\begin{cases} c_2 \sim c_2 \\ c_2 \sim N \end{cases}$ 

$$c_1 \sim N$$
$$c_2 \sim N^2$$

Scale for the decoherence

$$a_D = \frac{1}{\sqrt{c_2}}$$

 $\rightarrow$  Decoherence scale: very small, more in quadratic interaction

 $\rightarrow$  Lamb shift: constant or dependent on the strenght of fluctuations

#### **INTERACTION OF A UNIVERSE WITH OTHER UNIVERSES**

- > The squeezing effect asymptotically dissappears
- > We choose the spectral density as  $J(\Omega) \sim \delta(\Omega' \Omega_0)$
- > So, we obtain  $\begin{cases} c_1^p \approx \Omega_0 \\ c_2^p \approx 2N \end{cases}$ 
  - ➔ Decoherence is very effective for a large number of universes

→ Lamb shift: same order energy density of the Universe (without interactions)

effective energy of the Universe turns out to be approximately zero

#### THERMODYNAMICAL QUANTITIES

> Interaction with environment  $\rightarrow$  effectively non unitary evolution

> The previous master equation can be solved with the Gaussian ansatz  $\rightarrow$  the solution depens on cofficient c<sub>2</sub>

> Considering an initial pure state

> This coefficient allow us to obtain thermodynamical properties of the parent universe

> Entropy of a parent universe interacting with the environment

$$S_{lin} = 1 - \zeta$$

$$S = -\frac{1}{p_0} (p_0 \ln p_0 + q_0 \ln q_0)$$

 $\clubsuit$  Interaction with the environment  $\rightarrow$  evolution to a mixed state  $\rightarrow$  loss of information

Decoherence process  $\rightarrow$  Universe described in terms of the semiclassical branch which we live in

→ Total system retains all information

#### CURVATURE PRINCIPLE

 $\succ$  Each universe described in terms of a curvature invariant  $\rightarrow$  sensitive to the vacuum energy

Hamiltonian evolution that reflects the interaction between universes

> We consider the third quantization formalism for homogeneous and isotropic universes  $\rightarrow$  WDW as a harmonic oscillator

$$\ddot{\phi} + \frac{\dot{M}}{M}\dot{\phi} + \omega\phi = 0$$
 with  $M(a) = a$  and  $\omega(a) = \frac{a}{\hbar}\sqrt{a^2\Lambda - 1}$ 

> The total Hamiltonian is given by

$$H_T = H_1 + H_2 + H_I \quad \text{where} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \\ \end{array} \right.$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2M}p_{\phi}^{2} + \frac{M\omega^{2}}{2}\phi^{2}$$
$$H_{I} = \frac{Ma^{4}k}{2}(\phi_{2} - \phi_{1})^{2}$$

> A non-trivial choice of canonical transformation to  $(\Phi_1, \Phi_2, P_1, P_2)$ 

$$H_N = \frac{1}{2M} P_1^2 + \frac{M\Omega_1^2}{2} \Phi_1^2 + \frac{1}{2M} P_2^2 + \frac{M\Omega_1^2}{2} \Phi_1^2$$
$$\left( \Omega_1^2 = a^4 f(\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2, k) \right)$$

where 
$$\begin{cases} \Omega_1^2 = a^4 f(\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2, k) \\ \Omega_2^2 = a^4 g(\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2, k) \end{cases}$$

- H<sub>N</sub> represents dynamical evolution of non-interacting universes
- Normal modes of oscillation
- Vacuum energy associated with new frecuencies

Considering two "nearby" universes

$$\begin{split} \Lambda_1 &= \Lambda + \varepsilon \\ \Lambda_2 &= \Lambda - \varepsilon \end{split} \\ \mathbf{So} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Omega_1^2 &\approx a^4 \Lambda_1^{\mathrm{ef}} \\ \Omega_2^2 &\approx a^4 \Lambda_2^{\mathrm{ef}} \end{array} \right. & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Lambda_1^{\mathrm{ef}} &\approx \frac{2\varepsilon^2}{\Lambda} &\approx 0 \\ \Lambda_2^{\mathrm{ef}} &\approx \Lambda - \frac{2\varepsilon^2}{\Lambda} &\approx \Lambda \end{array} \right. \\ k &= -\frac{\Lambda}{2} \end{split}$$

• Point of view of an internal observer that perceives its universe as isolated  $\rightarrow$  value of the cosmological constant as proper of the universe

 $\blacksquare$  Observer in universe 1: see a nearly zero value of the cosmological constant  $\rightarrow$  cannot identify to any effect of its universe

 Mechanism for reducing the cosmological constant of a universe by means of the interaction of different universes

> We also extend this study to a general quadratic potential

# MULTIVERSE OF INTERACTING HARMONIC OSCILLATORS

> Multiverse can exhibit collective phenomena  $\rightarrow$  new perspective

> Considering N de Sitter universes interacting  $\rightarrow$  represented in third quantization as harmonic oscillators

> Asuming "nearest interaction" and the interaction governed by Hooke's law

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$$\hat{H} = \sum_{r=1}^{N} \left( \frac{\hat{p}_r^2}{2M} + \frac{M\omega^2}{2} \hat{\phi}_r^2 + \frac{Mc}{2} (\hat{\phi}_r - \hat{\phi}_{r+1})^2 \right)$$
$$\hat{H} = \sum_{r=1}^{N} \left( \frac{1}{2M} \hat{P}_r \hat{P}_r^{\dagger} + \frac{M\omega_r^2}{2} \hat{\Phi}_r \hat{\Phi}_r^{\dagger} \right) \quad \text{with} \quad \omega_r^2 = \omega^2 + 4c \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi r}{N} \right)$$

→ We can follow a more general quantization procedure

> Canonical commutation relations replaced by compatibility conditions

> In addition to the standard solution, it allow us to obtained more solutions  $\rightarrow$  be described by means of representations of Lie superalgebras

> Defining the operators

$$\begin{cases} a_r^- \equiv \sqrt{\frac{M\omega_r}{2}} \hat{\Phi}_r + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2M\omega_r}} \hat{P}_r^{\dagger} \\ a_r^+ \equiv \sqrt{\frac{M\omega_r}{2}} \hat{\Phi}_r^{\dagger} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2M\omega_r}} \hat{P}_r \end{cases}$$

the Hamiltonian takes the form  $\hat{H} = \sum_{r=1}^{N} \frac{\omega_r}{2} \{a_r^-, a_r^+\}$ 

> Compatibility condition  $[\hat{H}, a_r^{\pm}] = \pm \omega_r a_r^{\pm}$ 

> These relations have solutions in a particular Lie superalgebra  $\rightarrow$  We can diagonalize the Hamiltonian and obtain the energy spectrum

> We consider a multiverse with explicit interaction or without it

 $\succ$  For the given representation the spectrum of the Hamiltonian splits into a large number of different levels for both cases (different each other)

Even in the case without explicit interaction  $\rightarrow$  there are quantum interactions with no classical analogue

> The energy levels depends strongly on the interaction between universes

➢ Given some conditions, the ground state of the new spectrum approaches to zero

> The collective phenomena of the multiverse provide a mechanism to fix the cosmological constant to a value arbitrarly close to zero



### CONCLUSIONS

> The interaction of a parent universe with a multiverse environment  $\rightarrow$  parallel development to quantum optics

Decoherence effect permit the emergence of a classical Universe

 An analogue effect to Lamb shift, provide a mechanism that allows to reduce the value of the cosmological constant, due to the interaction of the Universe with a multiverse environment

• We also show the entropy increase of the state of the Universe  $\rightarrow$  loss of information that is mantained in the whole multiverse

 $\geq$  By means of the Curvature Principle we obtain a reduction of the value of the cosmological constant in the Universe, due to the interaction with other universe

> We can consider collective phenomena in the multiverse  $\rightarrow$  give us new tools to understand cosmological issues

• Take N universes in the multiverse as harmonic oscillators, and use the Wigner Quantum System  $\rightarrow$  quantum interaction in the multiverse without classical analogue

• The interactions between universes produce new energy levels for the Hamiltonian  $\rightarrow$  In any case we can fix the vacuum energy to a value arbitrary close to zero

 So, the vacuum energy of a universe depends not only on the interaction between universes but also on the structure of the multiverse as a whole

These simple models show that an interacting multiverse could solve some cosmological problems and open the door to a new range of effects that could give physical predictions of the multiverse

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