

Recent results in gauge theories on noncommutative Moyal spaces

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- ▶ 3rd part: Attempt to clarify the role(s) of A_μ . Modification of the "derivation-based" differential calculus on the Moyal algebras leads to "Yang-Mills-Higgs" type models (E.Cagnache, T.Masson, JCW, hep-th to appear).

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- ▶ We now **assume: $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{M}$** . Then, ∇_X determined by $\nabla_X(\mathbb{I})$, \mathbb{I} : the unit $\in \mathcal{M}$. Indeed, one has from (2)

$$\nabla_X(a) = \nabla_X(\mathbb{I}) \star a + X(a), \quad \forall a \in \mathcal{M}, \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{G} \quad (4)$$

$\nabla_X(\mathbb{I})$ will serve as a NC analog of a gauge potential.

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$$(\nabla_X)^\gamma(a) = \gamma(\nabla_X(\gamma^{-1}(a))), \quad \forall a \in \mathcal{M}, \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{G} \quad (6)$$

$$(F_{(X,Y)}(a))^\gamma = g \star F_{(X,Y)}(a) \star g^\dagger \quad (7)$$

This yields

$$(\nabla_X(\mathbb{I}))^\gamma = g \star \nabla_X(\mathbb{I}) \star g^\dagger + g \star X(g^\dagger), \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{U}(\mathcal{M}), \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{G} \quad (8)$$

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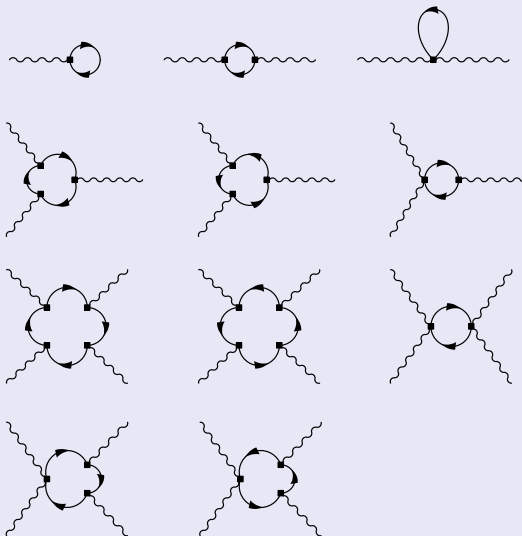
- ▶ The effective action $\Gamma_{1loop}(A)$ can be conveniently obtained in the x -space formalism. Compute relevant diagrams using the Mehler-type propagator $C(x, y) \equiv \langle \phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y) \rangle$ (set $\tilde{\Omega} \equiv 2\frac{\Omega}{\theta}$ and $x \wedge y \equiv 2x_\mu \Theta_{\mu\nu}^{-1} y_\nu$)

$$C(x, y) = \frac{\Omega^2}{\pi^2 \theta^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{\sinh^2(2\tilde{\Omega}t)} \exp\left(-\frac{\tilde{\Omega}}{4} \coth(\tilde{\Omega}t)(x-y)^2 - \frac{\tilde{\Omega}}{4} \tanh(\tilde{\Omega}t)(x+y)^2 - m^2 t\right)$$

combined with the vertex whose generic expression is

$$\int d^4x (f_1 \star f_2 \star f_3 \star f_4)(x) = \frac{1}{\pi^4 \theta^4} \int \prod_{i=1}^4 d^4x_i f_1(x_1) f_2(x_2) f_3(x_3) f_4(x_4) \\ \times \delta(x_1 - x_2 + x_3 - x_4) e^{-i \sum_{i < j} (-1)^{i+j+1} x_i \wedge x_j}.$$

Diagrammatics



The structure of the effective action

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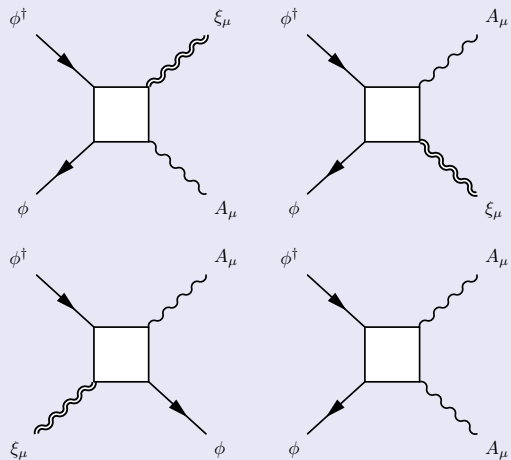
Yang-Mills-Higgs type models

- ▶ Curvature has new terms beyond $F_{\mu\nu}$. Call $\mathcal{A}_a = \Phi_a$, $a=1, 2, 3$.

$$F_{\mu a} = [\mathcal{A}_\mu, \Phi_a]_\star - \mu C_{\mu a}^\nu \mathcal{A}_\nu, \quad F_{ab} = [\Phi_a, \Phi_b]_\star - \mu C_{ab}^c \Phi_c \quad (26)$$

- ▶ When plugged into an action $\sim \int dx F_{MN} F_{MN}$, the second can be viewed as a Higgs potential: Higgs role played by those \mathcal{A}_a . The (first term)² involves a mass term for the gauge potential.
- ▶ Can be interpreted as Yang-Mills-Higgs type models on Moyal spaces.
- ▶ Additional couplings of the type $A_\mu \Phi \Phi$ and $A_\mu A_\mu \Phi \Phi$ that should in principle contribute to the singular part of the polarisation tensor, to be computed.

Vertices involving A_μ



Tadpole diagram I

The amplitude for the tadpole diagram is

$$\mathcal{T}_1 = \frac{\Omega^2}{4\pi^6\theta^6} \int d^4x d^4u d^4z \int_0^\infty \frac{dt e^{-tm^2}}{\sinh^2(\tilde{\Omega}t) \cosh^2(\tilde{\Omega}t)} A_\mu(u) e^{-i(u-x)\wedge z} \\ \times e^{-\frac{\tilde{\Omega}}{4}(\coth(\tilde{\Omega}t)z^2 + \tanh(\tilde{\Omega}t)(2x+z)^2)} ((1 - \Omega^2)(2\tilde{x}_\mu + \tilde{z}_\mu) - 2\tilde{u}_\mu)$$

Introduce the following 8-dimensional vectors X , J and the 8×8 matrix K defined by

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ z \end{pmatrix}, \quad K = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \tanh(\tilde{\Omega}t)\mathbb{I} & 2 \tanh(\tilde{\Omega}t)\mathbb{I} - 2i\Theta^{-1} \\ 2 \tanh(\tilde{\Omega}t)\mathbb{I} + 2i\Theta^{-1} & (\tanh(\tilde{\Omega}t) + \coth(\tilde{\Omega}t))\mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ i\tilde{u} \end{pmatrix}.$$

This permits one to reexpress the amplitude in a form such that some Gaussian integrals can be easily performed:

$$\mathcal{T}_1 = \frac{\Omega^2}{4\pi^6\theta^6} \int d^4x d^4u d^4z \int_0^\infty \frac{dt e^{-tm^2}}{\sinh^2(\tilde{\Omega}t) \cosh^2(\tilde{\Omega}t)} A_\mu(u) \\ \times e^{-\frac{1}{2}X \cdot K \cdot X + J \cdot X} ((1 - \Omega^2)(2\tilde{x}_\mu + \tilde{z}_\mu) - 2\tilde{u}_\mu)$$

By performing the Gaussian integrals on X , we find

$$\mathcal{T}_1 = -\frac{\Omega^4}{\pi^2\theta^2(1 + \Omega^2)^3} \int d^4u \int_0^\infty \frac{dt e^{-tm^2}}{\sinh^2(\tilde{\Omega}t) \cosh^2(\tilde{\Omega}t)} A_\mu(u) \tilde{u}_\mu e^{-\frac{2\Omega}{\theta(1+\Omega^2)} \tanh(\tilde{\Omega}t)u^2}.$$

Tadpole diagram II

Inspection of the behaviour of \mathcal{T}_1 for $t \rightarrow 0$ shows that this latter expression has a quadratic as well as a logarithmic UV divergence. From Taylor expansion:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}_1 = & - \frac{\Omega^2}{4\pi^2(1 + \Omega^2)^3} \left(\int d^4 u \tilde{u}_\mu A_\mu(u) \right) \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \frac{m^2 \Omega^2}{4\pi^2(1 + \Omega^2)^3} \left(\int d^4 u \tilde{u}_\mu A_\mu(u) \right) \ln(\epsilon) \\ & - \frac{\Omega^4}{\pi^2 \theta^2 (1 + \Omega^2)^4} \left(\int d^4 u u^2 \tilde{u}_\mu A_\mu(u) \right) \ln(\epsilon) + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

where $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ is a cut-off and the ellipses denote finite contributions.

Higher order terms

- ▶ The regularisation of the diverging amplitudes is performed in a way that preserves gauge invariance of the most diverging terms. In $D = 4$, these are UV quadratically diverging so that the cut-off ϵ on the various integrals over the Schwinger parameters ($\int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} dt$) must be suitably chosen.
- ▶ We find that this can be achieved with $\int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} dt$ for \mathcal{T}_2'' while for \mathcal{T}_2' the regularisation must be performed with $\int_{\epsilon/4}^{\infty}$.
- ▶ In field-theoretical language, gauge invariance is broken by the naive ϵ -regularisation of the Schwinger integrals and must be restored by adjusting the regularisation scheme. Note that the logarithmically divergent part is insensitive to a finite scaling of the cut-off.

Higher order terms II

- ▶ The one-loop effective action can be expressed in terms of heat kernels:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{1loop}(\phi, A) &= -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t} \text{Tr}(e^{-tH(\phi, A)} - e^{-tH(0, 0)}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \Gamma(s) \text{Tr}(H^{-s}(\phi, A) - H^{-s}(0, 0)),\end{aligned}\quad (27)$$

where $H(\phi, A) = \frac{\delta^2 S(\phi, A)}{\delta \phi \delta \phi^\dagger}$. Expanding:

$$H^{-s}(\phi, A) = (1 + a_1(\phi, A)s + a_2(\phi, A)s^2 + \dots) H^{-s}(0, 0), \quad (28)$$

we obtain

$$\Gamma_{1loop}(\phi, A) = -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \text{Tr} \left((\Gamma(s+1)a_1(\phi, A) + s\Gamma(s+1)a_2(\phi, A) + \dots) H^{-s}(0, 0) \right).$$

With $\Gamma(s+1) = 1 - s\gamma + \dots$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{1loop}(\phi, A) &= -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \text{Tr}(a_1(\phi, A)H^{-s}(0, 0)) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \text{Res}_{s=0} \text{Tr} \left((a_2(\phi, A) - \gamma a_1(\phi, A)) H^{-s}(0, 0) \right).\end{aligned}\quad (29)$$

The second line is the Wodzicki residue which corresponds to the logarithmically divergent part of the one-loop effective action. The quadratically divergent part $-\frac{1}{2} \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \text{Tr}(a_1 H^{-s}(0, 0))$ in the action which cannot be gauge-invariant.