

Non-linear Traces and their Associated Determinants: Theory and Applications

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Definition of A (in the distribution sense)

$$Af(x) = (2\pi)^{-n} \int e^{i\langle x, \xi \rangle} a(x, \xi) \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi$$

- f is a **smooth function**
 $f \in \mathcal{S} = \{f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n); \sup_x |x^\beta \partial^\alpha f(x)| < \infty, \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}^n\}$
- \mathcal{S}' space of **tempered distributions**
- \hat{f} is the **Fourier transform** of f

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— Ψ DOs are basic tools both in Mathematics & in Physics —

1. Proof of **uniqueness of Cauchy problem** [Calderón-Zygmund]
2. Proof of the **Atiyah-Singer index formula**
3. In QFT they appear in any analytical continuation process —as **complex powers of differential operators**, like the Laplacian [Seeley, Gilkey, ...]
4. Basic starting point of any rigorous formulation of QFT & gravitational interactions through **μ localization** (the most important step towards the understanding of linear PDEs since the invention of distributions)

[Fredenhagen, Brunetti, ... R. Wald '06]

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$$\alpha_n(A) = \zeta_A(0), \quad \alpha_j(A) = \Gamma(s_j) \operatorname{Res}_{s=s_j} \zeta_A(s), \quad s_j \notin -\mathbb{N}$$

$$\alpha_j(A) = \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \left[\operatorname{PP} \zeta_A(-k) + \psi(k+1) \operatorname{Res}_{s=-k} \zeta_A(s) \right],$$

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- The **Hardy-Littlewood theorem** can be stated in a way that connects the Dixmier trace with the **residue** of the zeta function of the operator T^{-1} at $s = 1$ [A. Connes]

$$\text{Dtr } T = \lim_{s \rightarrow 1^+} (s - 1) \zeta_{T^{-1}}(s)$$

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$$a_{-n}^{-s_k}(x, \xi) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi^{-1}} \right)^k \left[\xi^{n-k} a^{(k-n)/m}(x, \xi) \right] \Big|_{\xi^{-1}=0} \xi^{-n}$$

Multiplicative or Noncomm Anomaly or Defect

- Given A , B , and AB ψ DOs, even if ζ_A , ζ_B , and ζ_{AB} exist, it turns out that, in general,

$$\det_{\zeta}(AB) \neq \det_{\zeta}A \det_{\zeta}B$$

$$\det_3(AB) \stackrel{?}{=} \det_3 A \det_3 B$$

$$\log \det_3 = \text{tr}_3 \log, \det_3 = e^{\text{tr}_3 \log}$$

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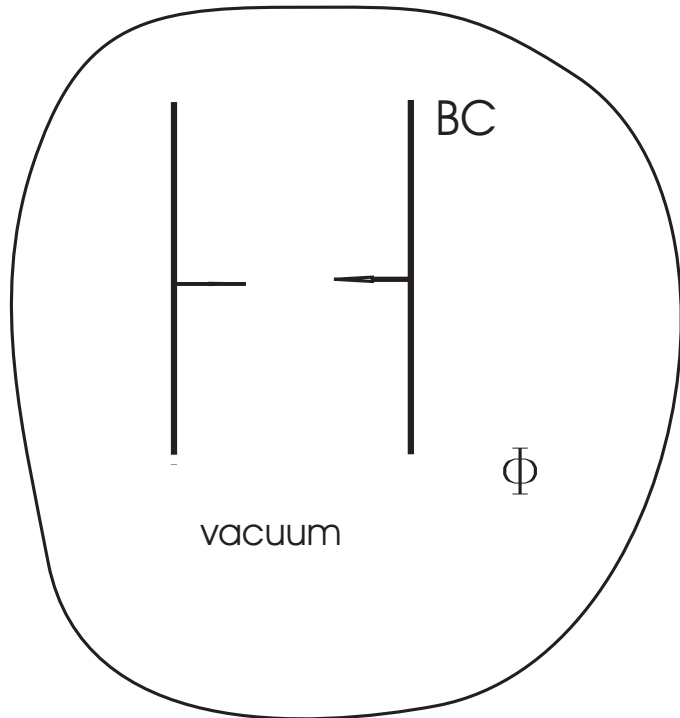
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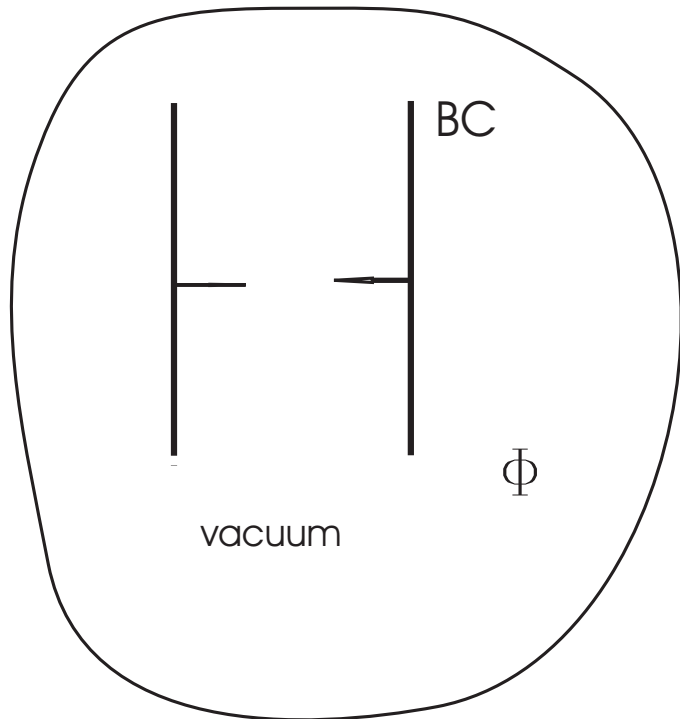


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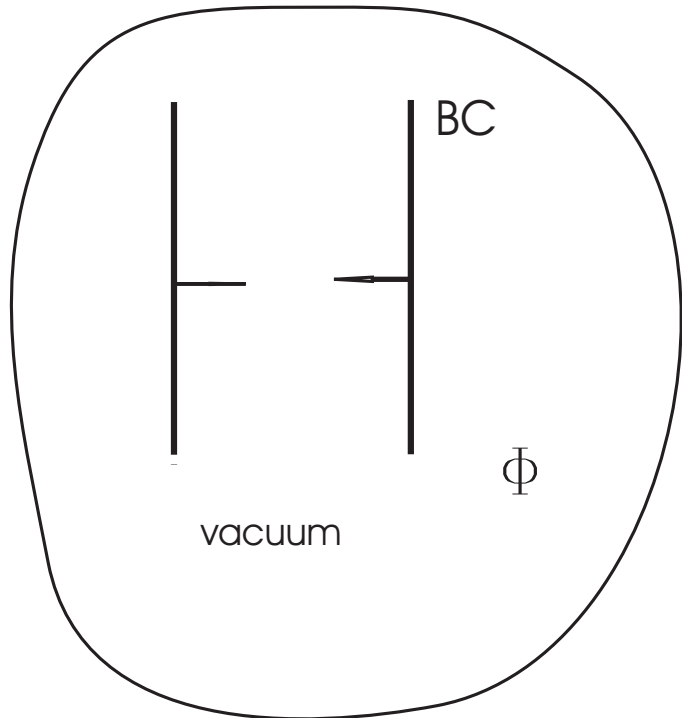
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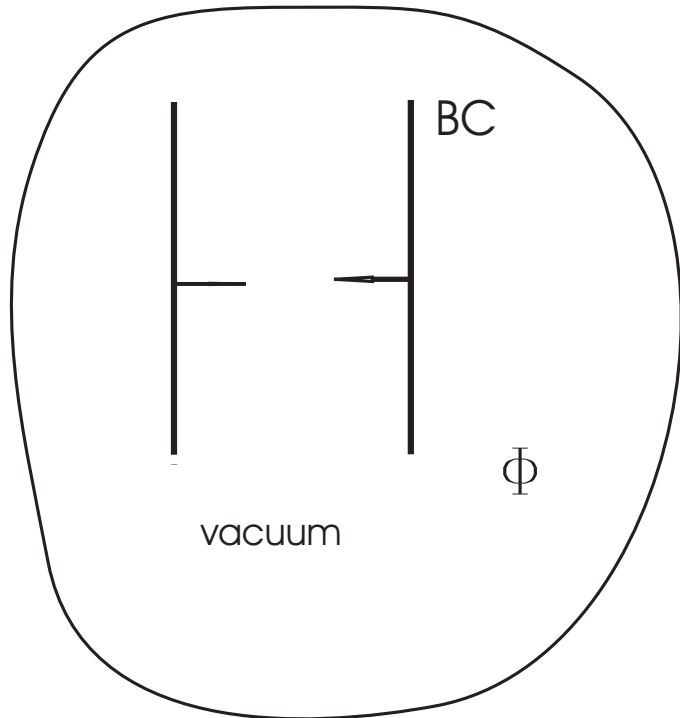
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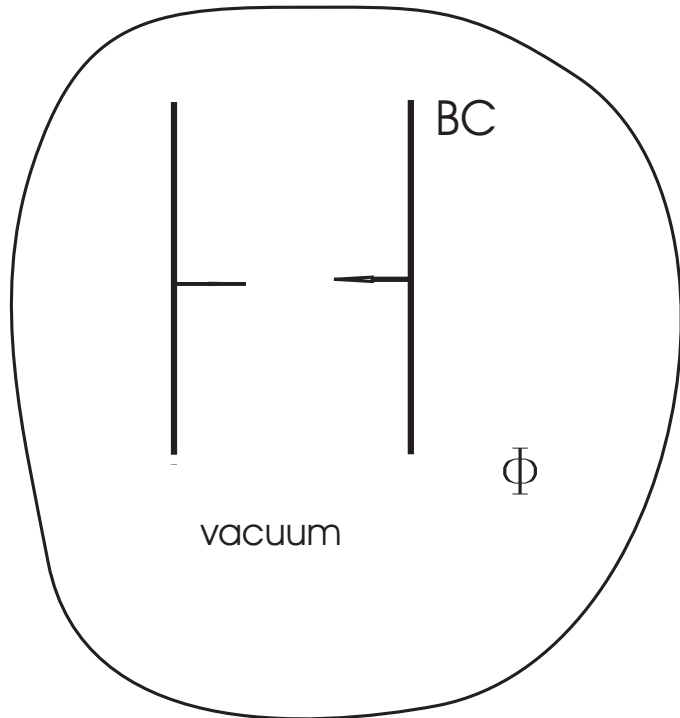
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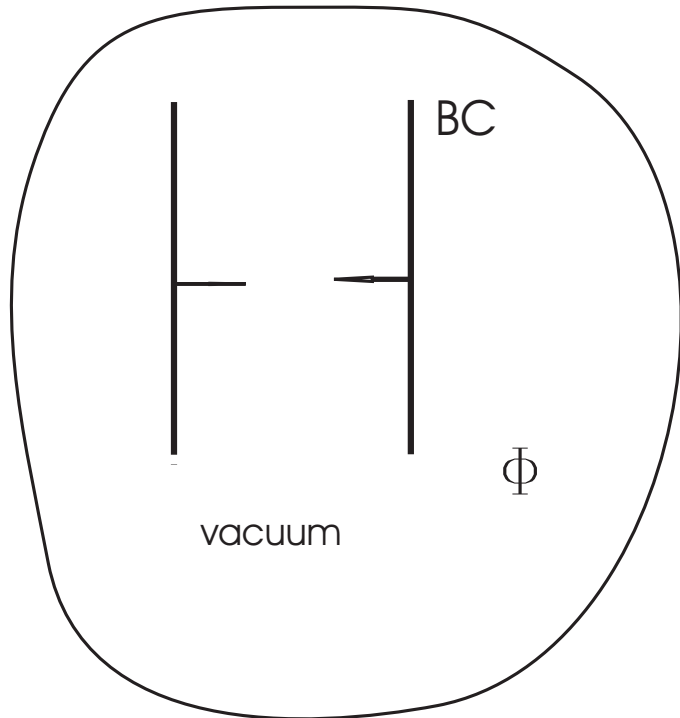
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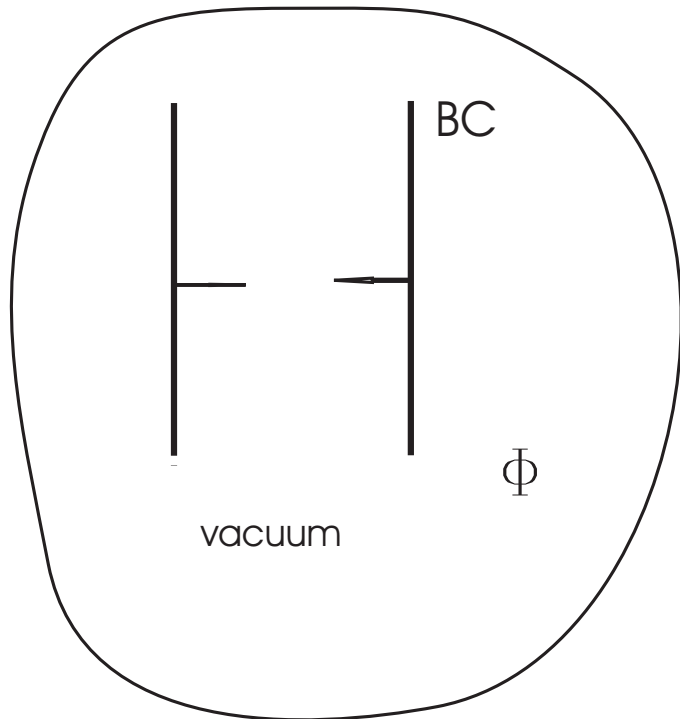
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$\alpha = 2$ bos, $\alpha = 3$ ferm, $V = \text{Vol}(\mathbb{R}^{d+1})$ of non-compact part

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Cosmo-Topological Casimir Effect

- Assuming one will be able to prove (in the future) that the ground value of the cc is **zero** (as many had suspected until recently), we will be left with this **incremental value** coming from the topology or BCs
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