



QUANTUM VACUUM EFFECTS IN DE SITTER SPACETIME

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BACKGROUND SPACETIME

- $(D+1)$ -dimensional de Sitter spacetime, foliated with time slices having constant negative curvature

Line element

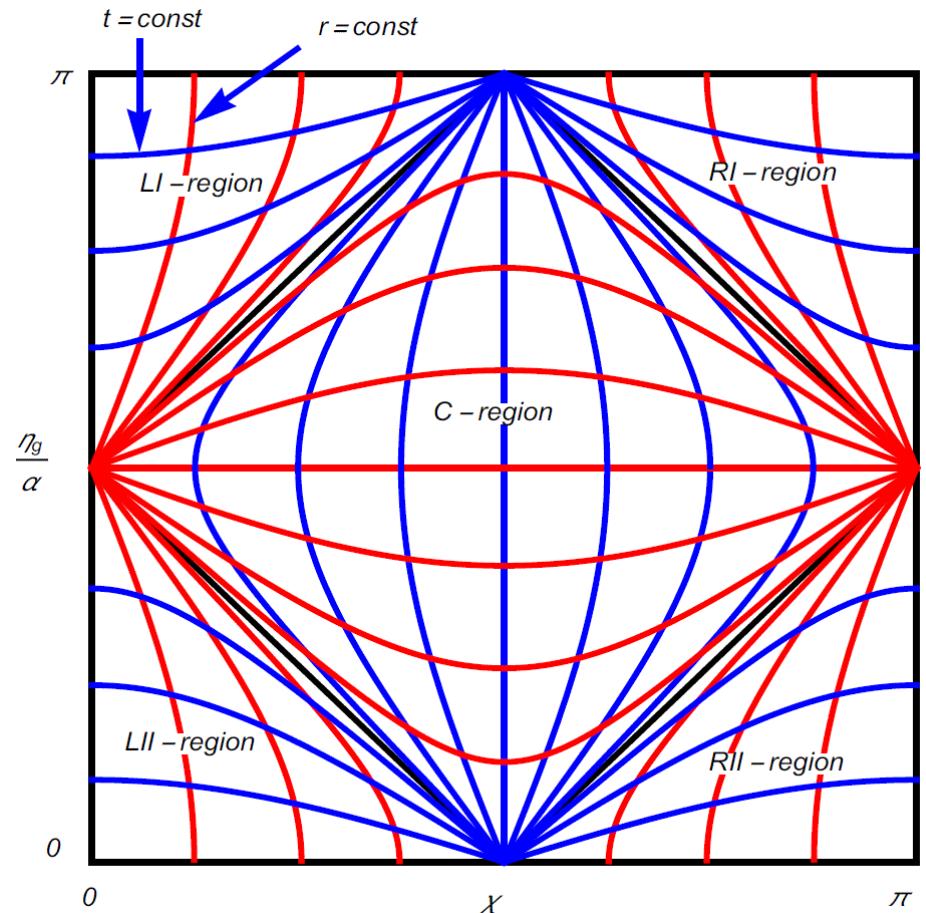
$$ds^2 = dt^2 - \alpha^2 \sinh^2(t/\alpha) (dr^2 + \sinh^2 r d\Omega_{D-1}^2)$$

$$R = \frac{D(D+1)}{\alpha^2} \rightarrow \text{Spacetime curvature}$$

$$\alpha \rightarrow \text{Curvature radius}$$

- Coordinates with negative curvature spatial foliation (LI and LII regions)
- Relations with conformal global coordinates

$$\cosh(t/\alpha) = \frac{\cos \chi}{\sin(\eta_g/\alpha)}, \quad \tanh r = -\frac{\sin \chi}{\cos(\eta_g/\alpha)}$$



PROBLEM FORMULATION

- Scalar field φ

field mass	m
curvature coupling parameter	ξ

- Boundary geometry consists of a sphere of radius r_0 with Robin boundary condition (BC)

$$\left(A - \delta_{(j)} B \partial_r \right) \varphi(x) \Big|_{r=r_0} = 0$$

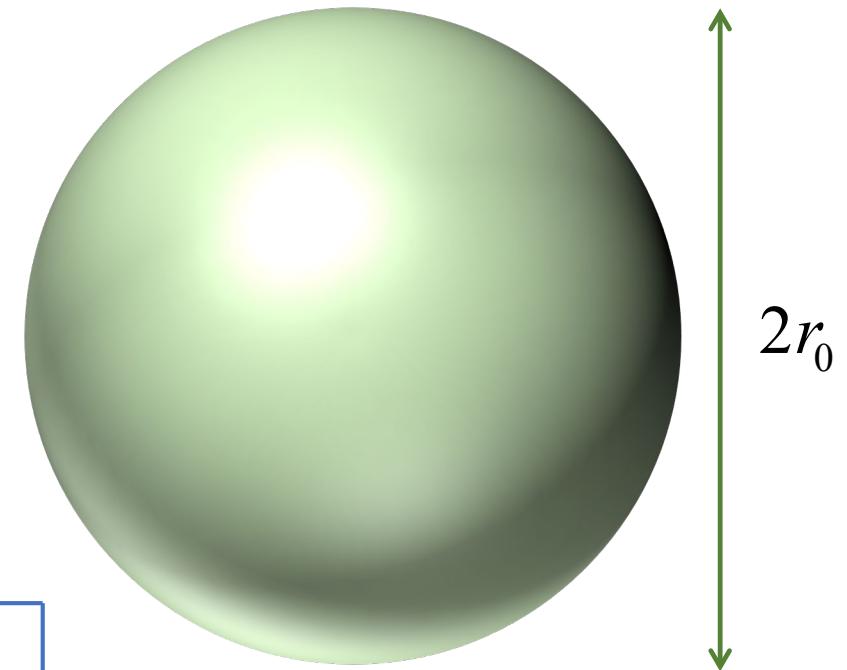
$$j = i, e, \quad \delta_{(i)} = 1, \quad \delta_{(e)} = -1$$

- Special case: $B = 0 \longrightarrow$ Dirichlet BC

- Field equation

$$(\nabla_\mu \nabla^\mu + m^2 + \xi R) \varphi(x) = 0$$

Minimal coupling	$\xi = 0$
Conformal coupling	$\xi = \frac{D-1}{4D}$



SOLUTION SCHEME

- Mode functions

- Conformal vacuum

- Adiabatic vacuum

- Hadamard function



Hyperbolic vacuum

$$G(x, x') = \sum_{\sigma} [\varphi_{\sigma}(x) \varphi_{\sigma}^*(x') + \varphi_{\sigma}(x') \varphi_{\sigma}^*(x)] = G_0(x, x') + G_s(x, x')$$

- VEV of the field squared

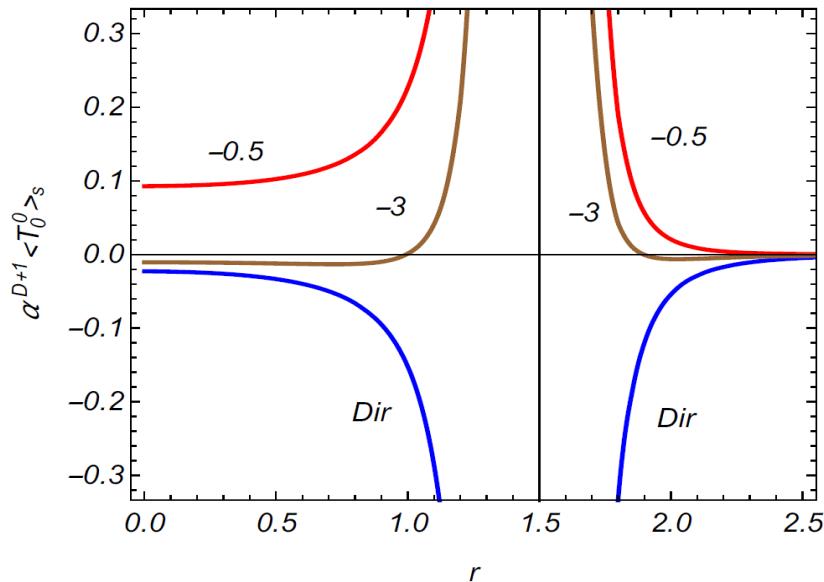
$$\langle \varphi^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x' \rightarrow x} G(x, x') = \langle \varphi^2 \rangle_0 + \langle \varphi^2 \rangle_s$$

- VEV of the energy-momentum tensor

$$\langle T_{ik} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x' \rightarrow x} \partial_{i'} \partial_k G(x, x') + [(\xi - 1/4) g_{ik} \nabla_p \nabla^p - \xi \nabla_i \nabla_k - \xi R_{ik}] \langle \varphi^2 \rangle = \langle T_{ik} \rangle_0 + \langle T_{ik} \rangle_s$$

- Non-diagonal component corresponds to the energy flux along radial direction

ENERGY DENSITY, ENERGY FLUX

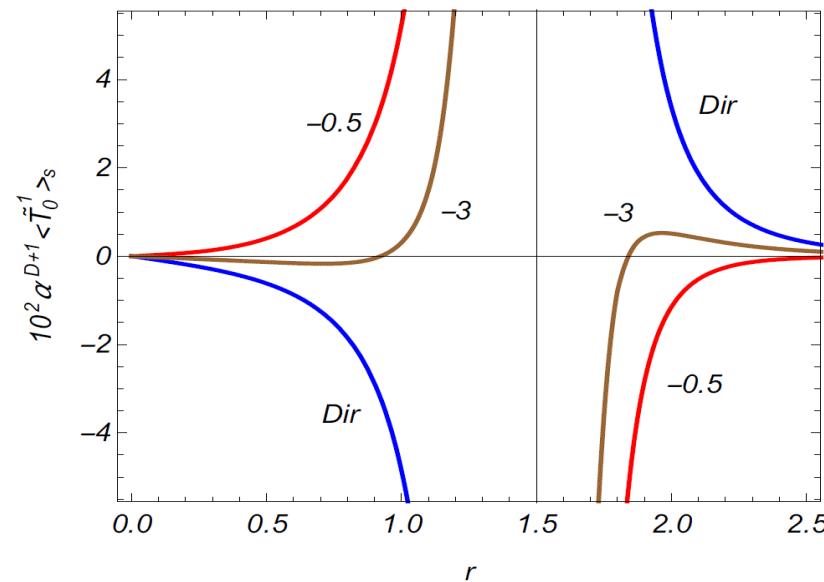


Energy density

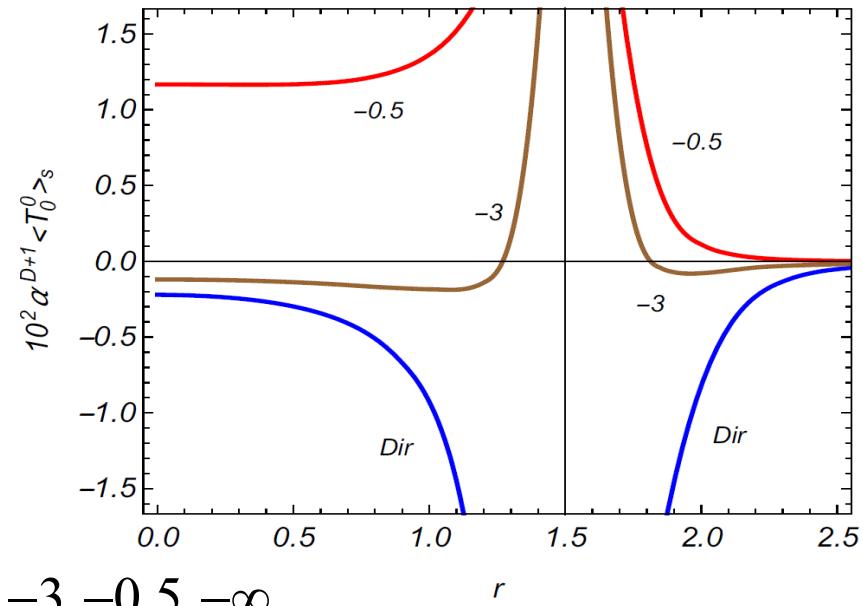
Minimal
 $\xi = 0$

Conformal
 $\xi = \xi_D$

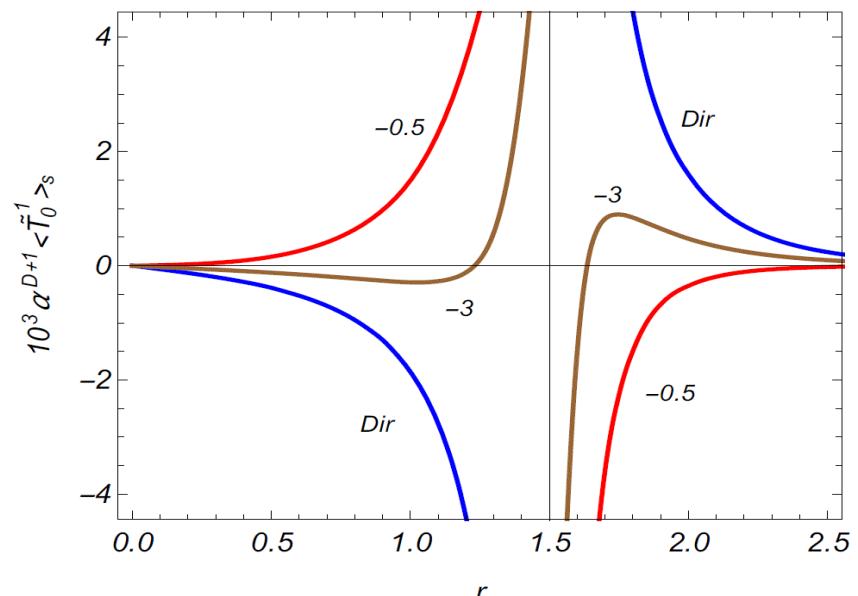
$$D = 3, \quad r_0 = 1.5, \quad m\alpha = t / \alpha = 1, \quad \beta = A / B = -3, -0.5, -\infty$$



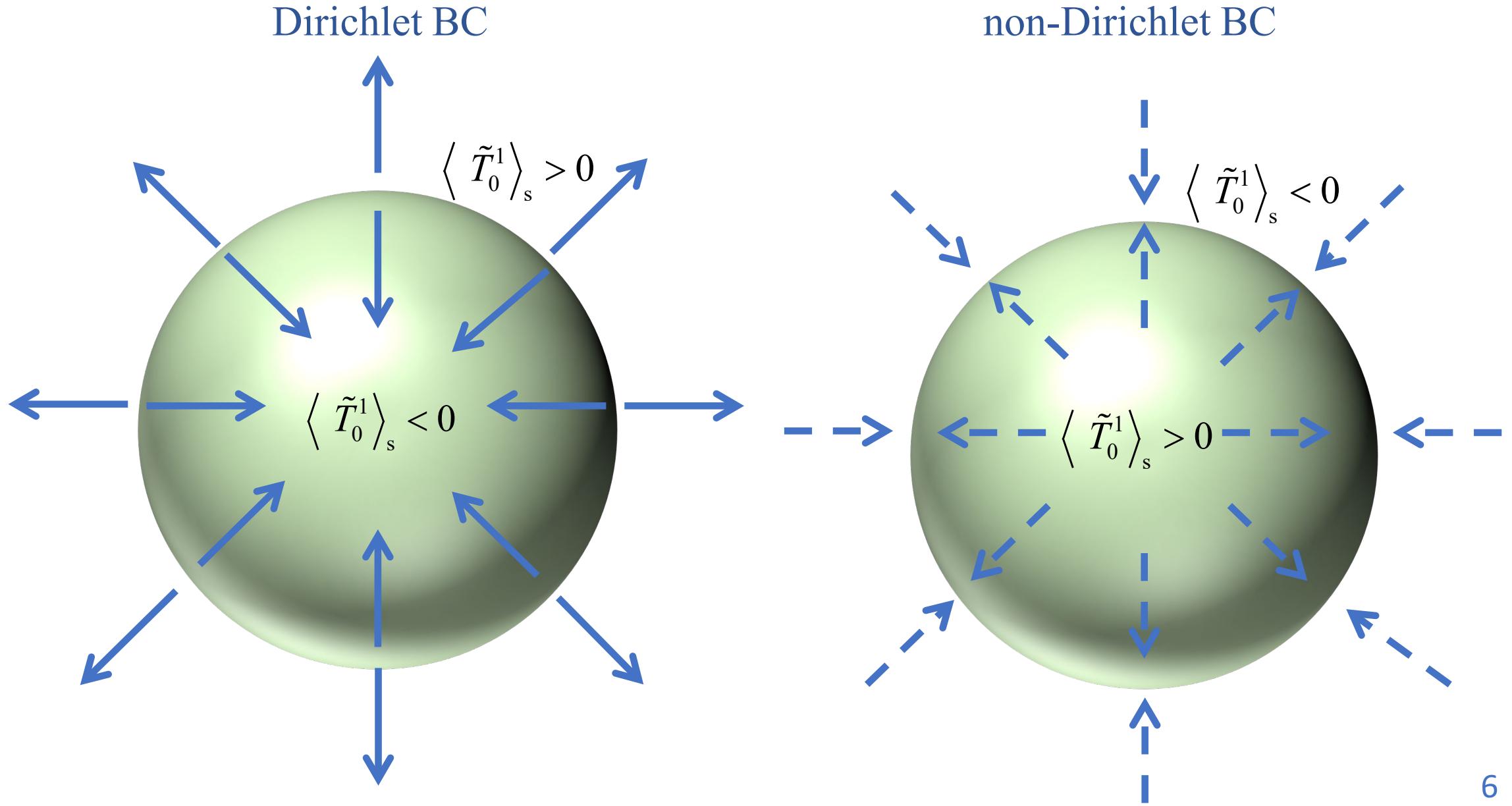
Energy flux



Conformal
 $\xi = \xi_D$



ENERGY FLUX



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