## Chiral Super LQG

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$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} = \kappa T_{\mu\nu}$$

Marble Wood

### Theorem (Coleman Mandula)

Global symmetries in QFT are of the form

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathrm{iso}(3,1) \oplus \mathfrak{g}_{\mathrm{int}}$$

(Assumptions: Lie algebra, analyticity properties of the S-matrix etc.)

### Ideas for unification

- \* Kaluza-Klein
- \*Supersymmetry
- \* ...

## Supersymmety

## Super Lie algebras

Coleman-Mandula can be avoided if the symmetry algebra is a super Lie algebra:

## Theorem (Haag-Luposzanski):

classification of QFT compatible super Lie algebra extensions of iso(3,1).

### super Lie algebra:

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{g}_1$$

Graded Jacobi-identity

## Example from differential geometry

Algebra of operators on  $\Omega^*(M)= \text{ Forms on } M$ 

- \* Lie derivatives  $\{\mathcal{L}_v \mid v \in \mathrm{T}^*M\}$
- **\*** Exterior derivative d
- \*Interior products  $\{\iota_v \mid v \in \mathrm{T}^*M\}$

form a Lie superalgebra wrt (anti-) commutator. Note for example Cartan identity

$$[d, \iota_v]_+ \equiv d\iota_v + \iota_v d = \mathcal{L}_v$$

### Minimal extension of Poincaré algebra

$$\mathfrak{iso}(\mathbb{R}^{1,3|4}) = \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^{1,3} \ltimes \mathfrak{so}(1,3)}_{\mathfrak{g}_0} \oplus \underbrace{S_{\mathbb{R}}}_{\mathfrak{g}_1}$$

Usual Poincaré generators and relations plus  $Q_{lpha}$  and

$$[P_I, Q_{\alpha}]_{-} = 0$$

$$[M_{IJ}, Q_{\alpha}]_{-} = \frac{1}{2} Q_{\beta} (\gamma_{IJ})^{\beta}_{\alpha}$$

$$[Q_{\alpha}, Q_{\beta}]_{+} = \frac{1}{2} (C\gamma_{I})_{\alpha\beta} P^{I}$$

## Minimal extension of Anti-deSitter algebra

$$\mathfrak{osp}(4|1) = \mathrm{adS}(3,1) \oplus S_{\mathbb{R}}$$

Usual Poincaré generators and relations plus  $\,Q_{lpha}$  and

$$[P_I, Q_{\alpha}]_{-} = 0 - \frac{1}{2L} Q_{\beta}(\gamma_I)^{\beta}_{\alpha}$$

$$[M_{IJ}, Q_{\alpha}]_{-} = \frac{1}{2} Q_{\beta}(\gamma_{IJ})^{\beta}_{\alpha}$$

$$[Q_{\alpha}, Q_{\beta}]_{+} = \frac{1}{2} (C\gamma_I)_{\alpha\beta} P^I + \frac{1}{4L} (C\gamma^{IJ})_{\alpha\beta} M_{IJ}$$

## Notes on superextensions

### Classical:

\* Mixes spacetime-trafos with supertranslations:

Symmetries of supermanifold

Quantum field theory:

$$Q \mid \text{boson} \rangle = \mid \text{fermion} \rangle$$

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## **Extended Superextensions**

Extended SUSY:

Not 4 odd generators  $Q_{\alpha}$  but  $4 \times \mathcal{N}$ :  $Q_{\alpha} \longrightarrow Q_{\alpha}^{r}$ ,  $r = 1, 2, \dots, \mathcal{N}$ 

R-Symmetry:

Additional even generators not commuting with Q. In our case  $\mathrm{so}(\mathcal{N})$  generators  $T^{rs}$ 

$$[Q_{\alpha}^{r},Q_{\beta}^{s}]_{+} = \frac{1}{2} \delta^{rs} (C\gamma_{I})_{\alpha\beta} P^{I} + \frac{1}{4L} \delta^{rs} (C\gamma^{IJ})_{\alpha\beta} M_{IJ} - C_{\alpha\beta} T^{rs}$$

$$osp(1 | 4) \longrightarrow osp(\mathcal{N} | 4)$$

### Chiral decomposition [Eder '20]

(Anti-) selfdual generators

$$T_j^{\pm} = \frac{1}{2}(J_j \pm iK_j) \qquad \in \text{so}(3,1)_{\mathbb{C}}$$

Decompose  $Q_{\alpha}$  into chiral components  $Q_{\alpha}=(Q_A,Q_{\dot{A}})$  gives super-sub algebra

$$[T_{i}^{+}, T_{k}^{+}] = \epsilon_{ik}^{l} T_{l}^{+}$$

$$[T_{i}^{+}, Q_{A}^{r}] = Q_{B}^{r} \sigma_{i}^{B}{}_{A}$$

$$[T^{pq}, Q_{A}^{r}] = \frac{1}{2L} (\delta^{qr} Q_{A}^{p} - \delta^{pr} Q_{A}^{q})$$

$$[Q_{A}^{r}, Q_{B}^{s}]_{+} = \frac{1}{L} \delta^{rs} (\epsilon \sigma^{i})_{AB} T_{i}^{+} - i \epsilon_{AB} T^{rs}$$

## Supermanifold

Can be defined via algebra of (anti-)commuting "functions" (—> NC geometry)

Example  $\mathbb{R}^{p|q}$ 

$$f = f_0(x) + f_1(x)^I \theta_I + f_2(x)^{I_1 I_2} \theta_{I_1} \theta_{I_2} + \dots + f_q(x)^{I_1 \dots I_q} \theta_{I_1} \dots \theta_{I_q}$$

$$x_\mu x_\nu - x_\nu x_\mu = 0, \qquad \mu, \nu = 1, \dots, p$$

$$\theta_I \theta_J + \theta_J \theta_I = 0 \qquad I, J = 1, \dots, q$$

In particular

$$fun(\mathbb{R}^{0|q}) = fun(superpoint) = Gr(\mathbb{R}^q)$$

### Parametrization

Supermanifold map  $M \longrightarrow M' := algebra morphism M' \longrightarrow M$ 

This imposes severe constraints. In particular

$$\Phi: \mathbb{R}^m \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n|q}, \qquad f = f_0 + f_1^I \theta_I + \dots \implies \Phi^* f = \Phi^* f_0$$

Solution: Parametrization by supermanifold Z, for example Z = superpoint

- st Supermanifolds  $M \longrightarrow M \times Z$
- \* Maps depend functorially on Z

# Supergravity

### Global vs. local SUSY

Supersymmetry in (quantum) field theory:

 $\mathfrak{iso}(\mathbb{R}^{1,3|4})$ ,  $\mathfrak{osp}(4|1)$  and generalizations appear

- \* as global symmetries in super-YM theories: YM field + suitable fermions
- \* as local symmetries in supergravity: Frame field + suitable fermions

### N=1 SUGRA

Frame and Rarita-Schwinger fermion:

$$S(e,\psi) = \int d^4x \ e^{-4\pi i e^{b\nu}} R_{\mu\nu ab}(\omega(e)) - \overline{\psi}_{\mu} \gamma^{\mu\nu\rho} D_{\nu} \psi_{\rho} - \frac{1}{L} \overline{\psi}_{\mu} \gamma^{\mu\nu} \psi_{\nu} + \frac{6}{L^2}$$

invariant under

\* 
$$\delta e^a_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \overline{\epsilon} \gamma^a \psi_\mu$$
  $\delta \psi_\mu = D_\mu \epsilon$  with odd parameter  $\epsilon$  and

\* the usual diffeos.

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some SUSY manifest, somewhat formal

## Can one quantize with LQG methods? Yes!

- \* SUGRA in Ashtekar variables [Jacobson '88, Tsuda '00]
- \* enhanced gauge symmetry osp (1 | 2) [Fülöp '94, Gambini + Obregon + Pullin '96]
- \* formal quantization [Gambini + Obregon + Pullin '96, Ling + Smolin '99]
- \* Super spin networks, inner boundaries [Ling + Smolin '99]
- \* Spinfoam models in D=3 [Livine + Oeckl '03, L+Ryan '07, Baccetti+L+R '10]
- \* Canonical theory for higher D, quantization of RS fields, p-form fields [Bodendorfer+Thiemann+Thurn '11]

SUSY not manifest, rigorous formalism

### N=1 SUGRA in Ashtekar variables

Ashtekar selfdual connection, frame, fermion and cosmological constant

Canonical theory with constraints (Jacobson '88)

- \* G, D, H: Gauß, diffeo, Hamilton constraint
- \* S<sup>L</sup>, S<sup>R</sup>: SUSY constraints

G,  $S^L$  form local  $osp(1 \mid 2)$  algebra! (Fülöp '93, Pullin et al '95)

$$\{G_{i}, G_{k}\} = \epsilon_{ik}^{l} G_{l}$$

$$\{G_{i}, S_{A}^{L}\} = S_{B}^{L} \sigma_{i}^{B} A$$

$$\{S_{A}^{L}, S_{B}^{L}\}_{+} = \frac{1}{L} (\epsilon \sigma^{i})_{AB} G_{i}$$

Where does this local symmetry comes from? Gauge sym (Fülöp '93, Pullin et al '95)?

### MacDowell-Mansouri formulation

AdS-gravity as SO(3,2) gauge theory:  $so(3,2) \simeq \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \oplus so(3,1)$ 

$$A_{\mu} = \operatorname{pr}_{\mathbb{R}^{3,1}} \circ A_{\mu} + \operatorname{pr}_{so(3,1)} \circ A_{\mu} =: e_{\mu} + \omega_{\mu}$$

Action

$$S[A] = \frac{L^2}{\kappa} \int d^4x \operatorname{tr}(F(A) \wedge \mathbf{P} F(A)) \qquad \mathbf{P} := \mathbf{0} \oplus i\gamma_*/2 : \mathfrak{so}(3,2) \to \mathfrak{so}(3,1)$$

Underlying geometry: Cartan geometry (Wise '06)

Gauge invariance broken down to so(3,1)

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N=1 AdS SUGRA as osp(1 | 4) gauge theory:  $osp(1,4) \simeq \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \oplus so(3,1) \oplus S_{\mathbb{R}}$ 

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Action (Eder + HS 22')

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Underlying geometry: Super Cartan geometry (Eder '22)

Gauge invariance broken down to so(3, 1)

### MacDowell-Mansouri Holst formulation of N=2 AdS SUGRA

N=2 AdS SUGRA as osp(2 | 4) gauge theory:  $osp(2,4) \simeq \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \oplus so(3,1) \oplus S_{\mathbb{R}} \oplus u(1)$ 

$$A_{\mu} = \operatorname{pr}_{\mathbb{R}^{3,1}} \circ A_{\mu} + \operatorname{pr}_{so(3,1)} \circ A_{\mu} + \operatorname{pr}_{S_{\mathbb{R}}} \circ A_{\mu} + \operatorname{pr}_{u(1)} \circ A_{\mu} =: e_{\mu} + \omega_{\mu} + \psi_{\mu} + \widehat{A}_{\mu}$$

Action (Eder + HS 22')

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Gauge invariance broken down to  $so(3,1) \oplus u(1)$ 

#### Remarks

- \* All Super-MM(-H) actions contain boundary terms.
- \* These terms are the unique ones to guarantee SUSY invariance on the boundary [Andrianopoli+D'Auria '14, KE+HS '21]
- \*  $\beta$  is literally the parameter of the theta-ambiguity in the U(1) sector
- \* All super-MM(-H) actions break manifest SUSY down to bosonic subgroup, except...

## Chiral supergravity

#### The chiral case

For 
$$\beta = \pm i$$
  $\mathbf{P}_{-i} : \mathfrak{osp}(1|4)_{\mathbb{C}} \to \mathfrak{osp}(1|2)_{\mathbb{C}}$  for  $\mathcal{N} = 1$   $\mathfrak{osp}(2|4)_{\mathbb{C}} \to \mathfrak{osp}(2|2)_{\mathbb{C}}$  for  $\mathcal{N} = 2$ 

and supersymmetry stays partially manifest. In terms of super-Ashtekar connection

$$A_{\mu}^{+} = \mathbf{P}_{-i}A^{\mu} = A_{\mu}^{+i}T_{i}^{+} + \psi^{A}Q_{A} + \widehat{A}_{\mu}T$$

action becomes

$$S = \frac{i}{\kappa} \int d^4x \left[ \operatorname{str}(\mathcal{E} \wedge F(\mathcal{A}^+)) + \frac{1}{4L^2} \operatorname{str}(\mathcal{E} \wedge \mathcal{E}) \right] + S_{\text{bdy}}$$

with super-electric field  $\mathcal{E}$ 

### Thus understand now:

- \*SUSY can be gauge symmetry
- \*Ashtekar connection preserves half of SUSY (local osp(1 | 2) or osp (2 | 2))
- \* Explanation for the observation of Fülöp et al
- \* Need (negative) cosmological constant
- \* Need complex variables, reality conditions, for manifest SUSY 😕

But there is even more

## In the presence of boundaries

Chern-Simons theory on the boundary:

$$S_{\text{bdy}}(\mathcal{A}^{+}) = \frac{k}{4\pi} \int_{\partial M} \langle \mathcal{A}^{+} \wedge d\mathcal{A}^{+} + \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{A}^{+} \wedge [\mathcal{A}^{+} \wedge \mathcal{A}^{+}] \rangle \qquad k = i \frac{4\pi L^{2}}{\kappa}$$

and boundary conditions to preserve EOM:

$$\underline{\mathcal{E}} = \frac{i\kappa k}{2\pi} F(\underline{\mathcal{A}}^+)$$

See also [Ling + Smolin '99]

## Towards chiral super LQG

## Needed to extend LQG techniques:

\* Holonomies and cylindrical functions



\* Invariant derivatives



\* Consistent family of measures, Hilbert space



\* Super spin networks



## Super-holonomies

Parametrized super-connections, super parallel transport on super paths [Eder '20]

For path in body of supermanifold:

$$h_e[\mathcal{A}^+] = h_e[A^+] \cdot \mathcal{P}\exp\left(-\oint_e \operatorname{Ad}_{h_e[A^+]^{-1}}\psi^{(\tilde{s})}\right) : \mathcal{Z} \to \mathcal{G}$$

#### Holonomies and Fluxes

Graded Poisson relations

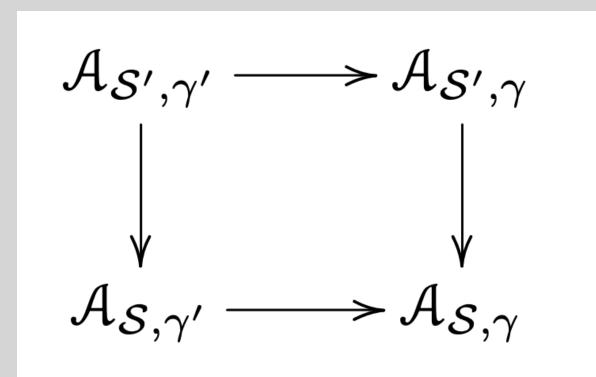
$$\left\{ \mathcal{E}_{\underline{A}}^{a}(x), \mathcal{A}_{b}^{+\underline{B}}(y) \right\} = i\kappa \delta_{b}^{a} \delta_{\underline{A}}^{\underline{B}} \delta(x, y)$$

Give graded holonomy-flux algebra generated by

$$\mathcal{E}_n(S) := \int_S \langle n, \mathcal{E} \rangle \qquad h_e[\mathcal{A}^+] = h_e[A^+] \cdot \mathcal{P} \exp\left(-\oint_e \operatorname{Ad}_{h_e[A^+]^{-1}} \psi^{(\tilde{s})}\right)$$

### Towards a Hilbert space

Cylindrical functions, generalized connections generalize those of standard LQG.



Super Hilbert space: Ansatz for single edge

$$\mathcal{S}(f|g) := \int_{\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{C})} \mathrm{d}\mu_{\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{C})}(g,\overline{g}) \int_{B} \mathrm{d}\theta^{A} \mathrm{d}\overline{\theta}^{A'} \rho(g,\overline{g},\theta,\overline{\theta}) \, \overline{f}g$$
 But problems with

- \* Non-compactness
- Positivity (—> consistent Krein structures?)

## Super spin networks

[Ling+Smolin '99, Eder '22]

Suitable set of irreps:

- \* Finite or infinite dimensional?
- \* Tensor category!

In both cases osp(1 | 2), osp(2,2) there seem to exist suitable categories.

## Principal series reps of osp(1 | 2) [Eder+HS '22]

Based on principal series representations of sl(2,R). On super vector space

$$\mathcal{V}_{j}^{\epsilon} = V_{j}^{\epsilon} \oplus \Pi V_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{\epsilon+1} \qquad j \in \mathbb{C}, \epsilon \in \mathbb{Z}_{2}$$

Has quadratic casimir

$$\widehat{C}_2^{\mathfrak{osp}} = j\left(j + \frac{1}{2}\right) \mathbb{1}$$

Known finite dimensional irreps recovered for  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0/2$ 

### Super area

Regularization following non-supersymmetric theory [Ling+Smolin '99, Eder+HS '22]

Classically:

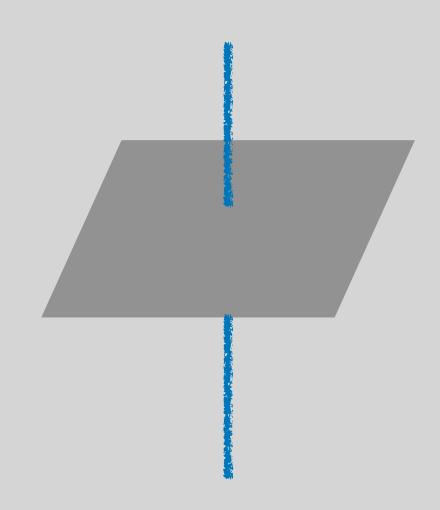
$$gAr(S) := \sqrt{2} \int_{S} \|\mathcal{E}\|$$

In simple situation in quantum theory:

$$\widehat{\operatorname{gAr}}(S) = -8\pi i l_p^2 \sqrt{C_2^{\mathfrak{osp}}}$$

Spectrum:

$$\widehat{\operatorname{gAr}}(S)T_{e,j,m,n} = -8\pi i l_p^2 \sqrt{j\left(j+\frac{1}{2}\right)} T_{e,j,m,n}$$



### Representations with real area spectrum

[Eder+HS '22]

$$j = -\frac{1}{4} + is \text{ with } s \in \mathbb{R}$$

Then

$$\widehat{\text{gAr}}(S)T_{e,j,m,n} = 8\pi l_p^2 \sqrt{s^2 + \frac{1}{16}} T_{e,j,m,n}$$

## Entropy of spacetime boundaries

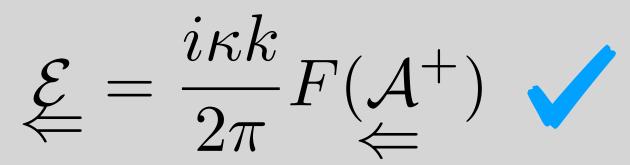
### Have











Can assign entropy to inner boundary and find dependence on gA? Problems:

\* CS for non-compact (super) group at level  $k=i\frac{4\pi L^2}{}$ 

$$k = i \frac{4\pi L^2}{\kappa}$$



\* Reality conditions?

## State counting at $\beta = i$

Ben Achour+Frodden+Geiller+Mouchet+Noui+Perez '14:

- \* Count states for real Imirzi
- \* Analytically continue β as well as representation labels...
- \* ... in such a way that area stays real.

What can play the role of SU(2) here?

For OSp(1 | 2): compact real form UOSp(1 | 2) with irreps labeled by  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0/2$ 

## Roadmap

- \* Real level  $k = -12\pi/\kappa\Lambda$
- \*  $N(j_1, j_2, ...) := \text{dimension of uosp } (1|2) \text{ superconformal block}$
- \* Analytic continuation

$$j \to j = -\frac{1}{4} + is, \qquad s \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$k \to ik$$

### UOSp(1 | 2) characters and Verlinde formula

[Eder, HS '22]

$$\chi_{j} = \left(1 - \frac{j}{4}\bar{\eta}\eta\right)\chi_{j}^{SU(2)} - \left(1 + \frac{j + \frac{1}{2}}{4}\bar{\eta}\eta\right)\chi_{j - \frac{1}{2}}^{SU(2)}$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{\infty}(\{n_l, j_l\}_l) = \mathcal{S}\left(\chi_0 \bigg| \prod_{l=1}^p (\chi_{j_l})^{n_l}\right) = \int_{\text{UOSp}} \prod_{l=1}^p (\chi_{j_l}(\theta))^{n_l}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} d\theta \sin^2(2\theta) \left[ 4 - n + \sum_{i=1}^p n_i d_{j_i} \frac{\tan(d_{j_i}\theta)}{\tan \theta} \right] \prod_{l=1}^p \left( \frac{\cos(d_{j_l}\theta)}{\cos \theta} \right)^{n_l}$$

### Analytic continuation

$$j \to j = -\frac{1}{4} + is, \qquad s \in \mathbb{R} \qquad k \to ik$$

finally gives

$$S = \frac{a_H}{4l_p^2} + \dots$$

Under assumption of monochromatic indistinguishable punctures

$$S = \frac{a_H}{4l_p^2} + \nu \ln\left(\frac{2\sigma}{\nu}\right) \frac{\sqrt{a_H}}{l_p} - 2\ln\left(\frac{a_H}{l_p^2}\right) + \mathcal{O}(1)$$

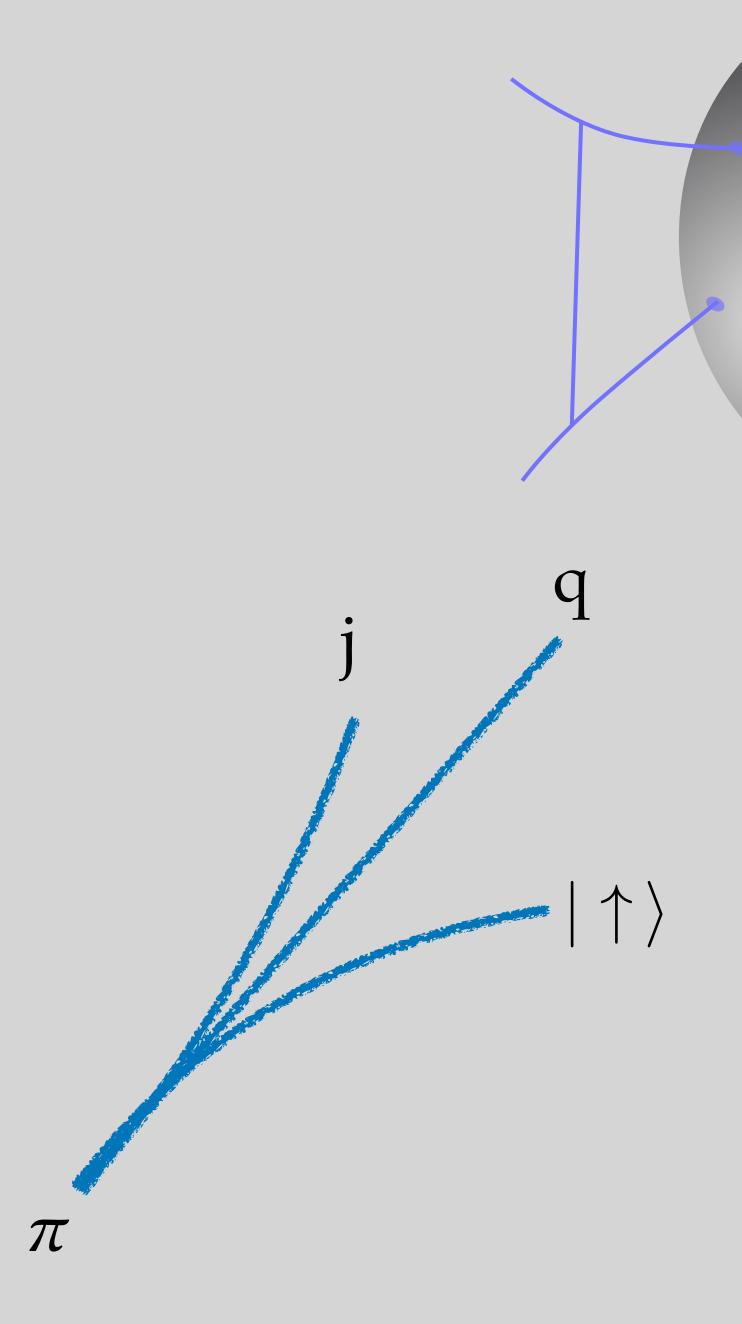
## Summary and outlook

### Summary

- \* Geometric background of super Ashtekar connection
- \*SUSY partially manifest
- \* Non-compactness, non-positivity, reality conditions
- \* Parametrized super connections, superparallel transport
- \* Steps towards supersymmetric black holes

### Outlook

- \* Supersymmetric (isolated) horizons?
- \* N=2? Connection to stringy black holes?
- \* SUSY breaking
- \* Hilbert space, reality conditions



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