

Bicrossproduct structure of $\$k\$$ -Poincare group and non-commutative geometry

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We show that the $\$kappa$$ -deformed Poincar'e quantum algebra proposed for elementary particle physics has the structure of a Hopf algebra bicrossproduct $\$U(so(1,3))\backslash cobicross T\$$. The algebra is a semidirect product of the classical Lorentz group $\$so(1,3)\$$ acting in a deformed way on the momentum sector $\$T\$$. The novel feature is that the coalgebra is also semidirect, with a backreaction of the momentum sector on the Lorentz rotations. Using this, we show that the $\$kappa$$ -Poincar'e acts covariantly on a $\$kappa$$ -Minkowski space, which we introduce. It turns out necessarily to be deformed and non-commutative. We also connect this algebra with a previous approach to Planck scale physics.

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kappa-Minkowski representations on Hilbert spaces

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The algebra of functions on kappa-Minkowski noncommutative spacetime is studied as algebra of operators on Hilbert spaces. The representations of this algebra are constructed and classified. This new approach leads to a natural construction of integration in kappa-Minkowski spacetime in terms of the usual trace of operators.

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