

AdS plane waves, Entanglement and Mutual Information

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Entanglement Entropy and Ryu-Takayanagi prescription

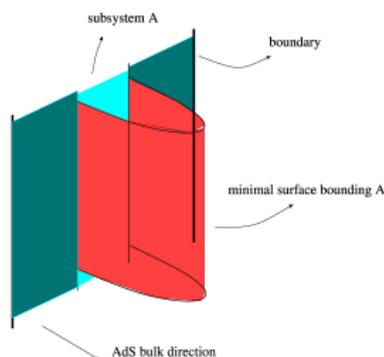
AdS/CFT correspondence [Maldacena '97] in large N limit gives a map:

bulk gravity theory \Leftrightarrow strongly-coupled field theory on boundary.

Geometrizes quantities in field theory otherwise difficult to compute; one such quantity is Entanglement Entropy (EE).

Ryu-Takayanagi prescription:

EE of subsystem $A \propto$ Area of bulk minimal surface bounding A (subsystem).



Entanglement Entropy

- can be used to characterize phases.
- Proportional to no. of d.o.f on bndry. b/w A and environment.
Shows **area law divergence**. ($S_A \sim \frac{\partial A}{\epsilon^{d-2}}$ for AdS_{d+1})

Mutual Information

From a linear combination of EEs, define **Mutual Information** (MI) for disjoint subsystems A & B ($A \cap B = \emptyset$).

$$\mathcal{I}[A : B] = S[A] + S[B] - S[A \cup B]$$

where $S[A]$ is EE of subsystem A as if B was absent

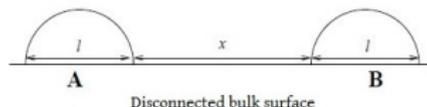
- Positive semi-definite
- Cut-off dependent divergences cancel out
- Measures correlation b/w A and B (quantum & classical)

$$\mathcal{I}[A : B] \geq \frac{(\langle \mathcal{O}_A \mathcal{O}_B \rangle - \langle \mathcal{O}_A \rangle \langle \mathcal{O}_B \rangle)^2}{2|\mathcal{O}_A|^2 |\mathcal{O}_B|^2}$$

Mutual Information: Disentangling transition

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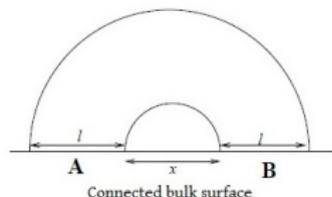
As an example, consider two **spacelike, strip subsystems** each of width ℓ to each other separated by x . Two possible candidates of $S[A \cup B]$.



When A and B are widely separated, relevant extremal surface is simply union of disconnected surfaces.

$$S[A \cup B] = S[A] + S[B] = 2S(\ell)$$

$$\mathcal{I}[A : B] = 0$$



For nearby subsystems, connected surface has lower area.

$$S[A \cup B] = S(2\ell + x) + S(x)$$

$$\mathcal{I}[A : B] > 0$$

R-T implies *disentanglement* i.e $\mathcal{I}[A : B] = 0$ identically $\forall \frac{x}{\ell} > \frac{x_c}{\ell}$ [Headrick '10].

Mutual Information: Ground state and thermal state

- **Ground state** \Leftrightarrow pure AdS_{d+1} ($d > 2$):

$$\mathcal{I}[A : B] = -c \frac{V_{d-2}}{\ell^{d-2}} \left(2 - \frac{1}{(2 + x/\ell)^{d-2}} - \frac{1}{(x/\ell)^{d-2}} \right)$$

$\mathcal{I}[A : B] \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow 0$. Zero of $\mathcal{I}[A : B]$ i.e disentangling happens at

$$\mathbf{AdS}_5: \frac{x_c}{\ell} \simeq 0.732 \quad \& \quad \mathbf{AdS}_4: \frac{x_c}{\ell} \simeq 0.620$$

- **Thermal states** also show disentanglement transition [[Fischler, Kundu, Kundu '12](#)]. When $\ell T, xT \gg 1$ entanglement dominated by thermal entropy (S scales linearly as ℓ).

$$\mathcal{I}[A : B] = 0$$

\implies A and B disentangle at $x > \frac{1}{T}$.

AdS plane waves

Interesting to explore non-relativistic systems with reduced symmetries. A certain class of gravity duals exhibit hyperscaling violation: $ds^2 = r^{2\theta/d_i} \left(-\frac{dt^2}{r^{2z}} + \frac{dx_i^2 + dr^2}{r^2} \right)$

Arise in Einstein-Maxwell-scalar theories [Trivedi et al; Kiritsis et al;...]

For $\theta = 0$ this reduces to Lifshitz metric.

$\theta = d_i - 1$ family \rightarrow log **violation of area law**.

Conjectured to be gravity dual of Fermi surfaces [Ogawa, Takayanagi, Ugajin; Huijse, Sachdev, Swingle '11]. EE has been studied for hyperscaling violation geometry [Dong, Harrison, Kachru, Torroba, Wang].

Concrete string construction exists [Narayan '12]. Obtained after x^+ -dimnⁿ redⁿ of AdS_{d+1} plane wave:

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{r^2} (-2dx^+ dx^- + dx_i^2 + dr^2) + R^2 Q r^{d-2} (dx^+)^2$$

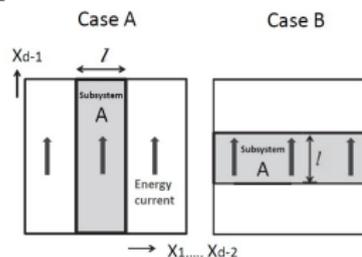
E.g: AdS_5 plane wave $\xrightarrow{x^+ \text{-dimn. redn}}$ $\theta = 1 = d_i - 1$ hyperscaling violating

Dual to excited pure states with uniform energy-momentum density $T_{++} \sim Q$.

AdS plane waves and Entanglement Entropy

EE for these excited states have been studied [Narayan, Takayanagi, Trivedi '12]

Two choices for strip subsystem—
depending on flux dirⁿ.



For large $lQ^{1/d} \gg 1$, we know the scaling of S_A with l and Q .

- Strip \parallel flux:
$$S_A = \begin{cases} \pm \sqrt{Q} V_{d-2} l^{2-\frac{d}{2}} & \text{for } [+ : d < 4, - : d > 4] \\ \sqrt{Q} V_2 \log(lQ^{1/4}) & \text{for } d = 4 \end{cases}$$

For $d = 4$ if we identify $Q^{1/4}$ with k_F (Fermi momentum), S_A shows log scaling, functionally similar to Fermi surface.

- Strip \perp^r flux: For large l , there is **NO** connected minimal surface.
Phase transition for $l \gg Q^{-1/d}$.

MI for AdS plane waves

We have studied MI for AdS plane waves in three regimes: [DM, Narayan '14]

- $\ell Q^{1/d} \gg 1$:
 - When strips are \parallel to flux dirn. systems disentangle faster than ground state.
 - $\frac{x_c}{\ell}$ is independent of Q .
 - Unlike thermal states, $\exists x_c$ for which $\mathcal{I}[A : B] > 0$, for all ℓ .
- $\ell Q^{1/d} \ll 1$: In this limit, we did a perturbative analysis about pure AdS and computed $O(Q)$ correction to MI. Faster disentanglement than ground state.
- $\ell Q^{1/d} \sim O(1)$: We did a numerical study when systems are \parallel to flux dirn. to get a more complete parameter space.

MI for AdS plane waves: $\ell Q^{1/d} \gg 1$

1 Strip \parallel to flux dirn.:

- AdS_5 plane wave: $\mathcal{I}[A : B] \sim V_2 \sqrt{Q} \log \left(\frac{\ell^2}{x(2\ell+x)} \right)$
Disentanglement: $\mathcal{I}[A : B] = 0$ at $\frac{x_c}{\ell} \approx 0.414$. (Ground state $\frac{x_c}{\ell} = 0.732$)
- AdS_4 plane wave: $\mathcal{I}[A : B] \sim V_1 \sqrt{Q} (2\sqrt{\ell} - \sqrt{2\ell+x} - \sqrt{x})$.
Disentanglement: $\mathcal{I}[A : B] = 0$ at $\frac{x_c}{\ell} = 0.250$. (Ground state $\frac{x_c}{\ell} = 0.620$)

Disentangles **faster compared to ground state**.

Critical separation is independent of Q .

2 Strip \perp^r to flux dirn.:

At large width, there is absence of connected bulk minimal surface and $S(\ell)$, $S(2\ell+x)$ and $S(x)$ **ALL** saturate to a definite value S_{sat} . So,

$$\mathcal{I}[A : B] \sim 2S(\ell) - S(2\ell+x) - S(x) = 0$$

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$$\delta r_* = -\frac{\mathcal{N}_{r_*}}{4\eta} Q r_*^{d+1}$$

$$\text{where } \mathcal{N}_{r_*} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{(d-1)^2} \left(\frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{d-1})}{\Gamma(\frac{d+1}{2d-2})} - (d-1) \frac{\Gamma(\frac{d}{2d-2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2d-2})} \right) > 0 \text{ \& } \eta = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\frac{d}{2d-2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2d-2})} > 0.$$

For strip \perp^r to flux, we find

$$\delta r_* = -\beta Q r_*^{d+1}$$

$$\text{where } \beta = \frac{2^{\frac{1}{d-1}}}{8(d-1)^3\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2d-2})^2}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{d-1})} - \frac{1}{4(d-1)} > 0$$

Essentially, for either orientation, we have $\delta r_* = -\beta Q r_*^{d+1}$ where $\beta > 0$.

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- Compute area functional (S_{EE}) upto $O(Q)$ correction to pure *AdS*.

For either orientation to the flux dirn,

$$\Delta S = + \frac{R^{d-1}}{G_{d+1}} \frac{\mathcal{N}_{EE}^{\parallel, \perp}}{4\eta^2 \sqrt{2}} \frac{V_{d-2}}{\ell^{d-2}} (Q \ell^d)$$

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$$\text{and } \eta = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(\frac{d}{2d-2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2d-2})}$$

For $d > 2$, $\mathcal{N}_{EE} > 0$

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- Similar to *Entanglement Thermodynamics*

[Takayanagi et al; Alishahiha et al; Faulkner, Guica, Hartman, Myers, Van Raamsdonk]

MI for AdS plane waves: $\ell Q^{1/d} \ll 1$

For either orientation of strips, we get a **positive** correction to EE.
When the strips are \parallel to flux dirn,

$$\text{MI: } \mathcal{I}[A : B] = \mathcal{I}_{AdS}[A : B] - 2 \frac{R^{d-1}}{G_{d+1}} \frac{\mathcal{N}_{EE}^{\parallel}}{4\eta^2 \sqrt{2}} V_{d-2} Q \ell^2 \left(1 + \frac{x}{\ell}\right)^2$$

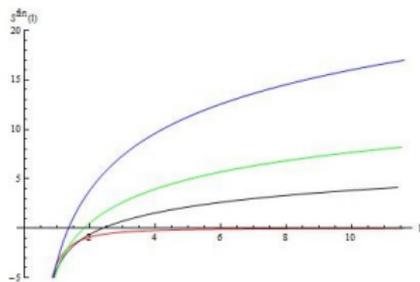
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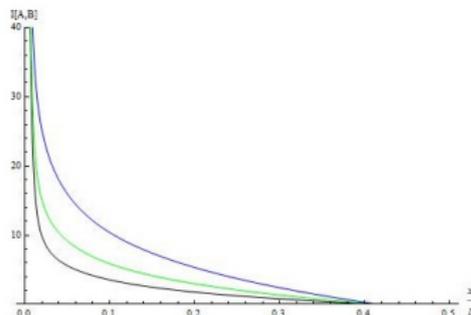
- 1 MI is lesser compared to ground state \implies faster disentanglement.
Suggesting, energy density flux Q disorders system.
- 2 Disentangling transition in this regime depends on flux Q .

EE and MI for AdS_5 plane waves: Numerics

We have done a numerical analysis when $\ell Q^{1/d} \sim O(1)$.



Entanglement Entropy vs subsystem width



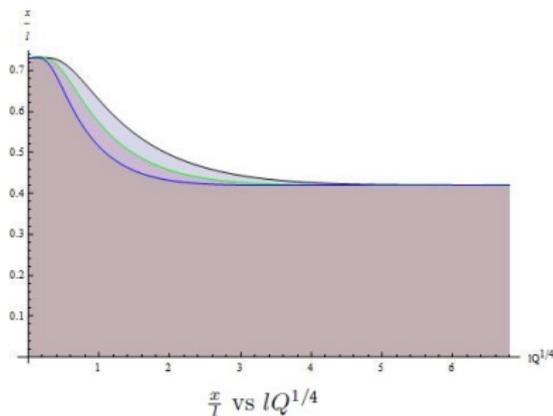
Mutual Information vs x/l

Figure: Red: $Q = 0$, Black: $Q = 1$, Green: $Q = 3$, Blue: $Q = 10$

- At large ℓ , EE is dominated by effect of energy flux Q .
- For any Q , x_c/ℓ is roughly the same.

Parameter space for AdS_5

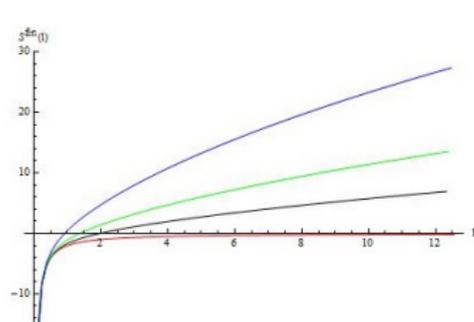
Parameter space for AdS_5 (Strip \parallel flux):



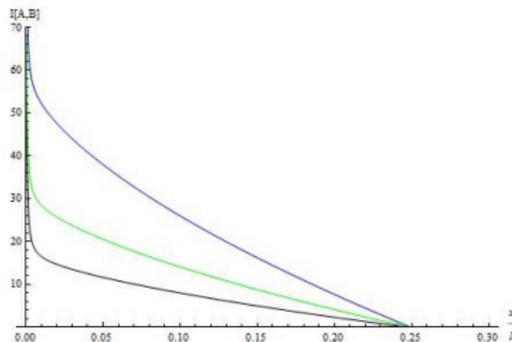
- At large ℓ , all curves flatten out $\implies x_c/\ell$ is independent of Q .
- Near $\ell Q^{1/d} \sim O(1)$, curves are distinct $\implies x_c/\ell$ depends on Q .
- Different from **thermal case** where we have finite parameter space. In the regime of large ℓ , subsystems remain disentangled for *any* x .

EE and MI for AdS_4

For AdS_4 , we did a similar numerical analysis and obtained the following:



Entanglement Entropy vs subsystem width



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Figure: Red: $Q = 0$, Black: $Q = 1$, Green: $Q = 3$, Blue: $Q = 10$

At large ℓ , there is a deviation from pure AdS for non-zero Q .
 x_c/ℓ is independent of Q .

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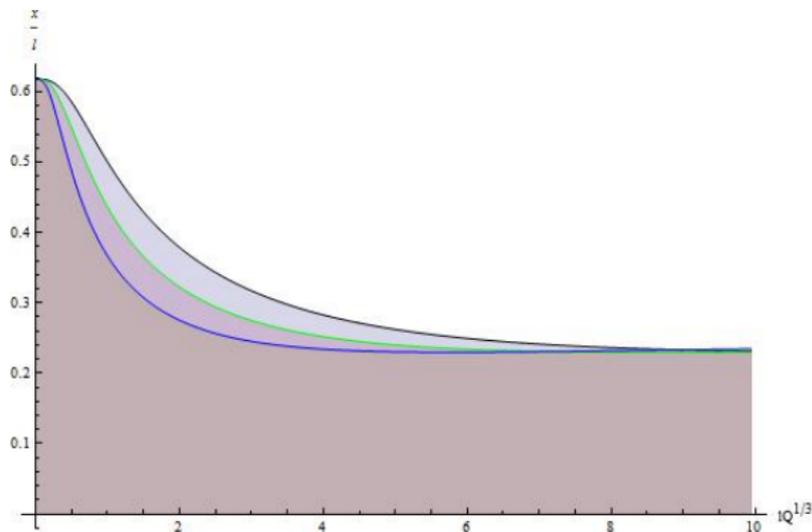


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Conclusions

- We have studied EE and MI for AdS plane waves dual to CFT excited states with $T_{++} \sim Q$ for two strips of width ℓ , separation x , \parallel and \perp to flux
- For wide strips ($Q\ell^d \gg 1$) \parallel to flux, x_c/ℓ is independent of Q . Even for large ℓ , $\exists x_c$ below which A & B are entangled (unlike thermal states).
- For wide strips \perp to flux, there is phase transition for $\ell \gg Q^{-1/d}$. EE saturates, MI is zero.
- In perturbative regime $Q\ell^d \ll 1$, $\Delta S \sim +V_{d-2}Q\ell^2 \implies$ faster disentangling than ground state. Probably, Energy density “disorders” system.
- Numerics show non-trivial dependence of x_c/ℓ with Q when $Q\ell^d \sim O(1)$. At large ℓ , agrees with calculations.
- In some sense, “partially ordered” states.