

Aspects of Extremal Surfaces in $(A)dS$

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- Gauge/string realizations of Lifshitz & hyperscaling violation, and Entanglement Entropy
- A lightlike limit of entanglement
- dS/CFT at uniform energy density and a de Sitter bluewall
- Speculations on de Sitter extremal surfaces

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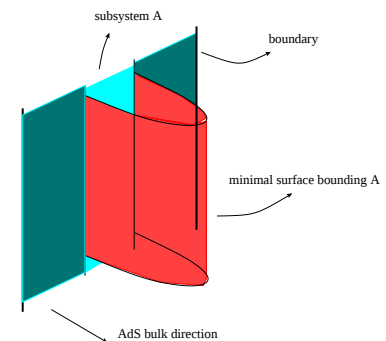
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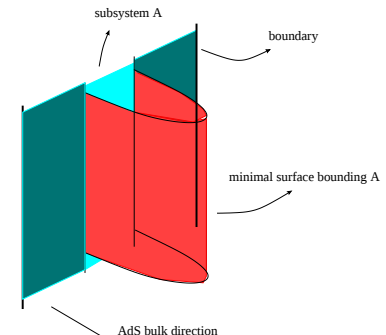
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[Operationally: (i) define a spatial subsystem on the boundary, (ii) consider corresponding constant time slice in the bulk $(d + 1)$ -dim geometry, and a surface bounding the subsystem and dipping into the bulk, (iii) extremize area functional → minimal area (in Planck units).]

Non-static situations: extremal surfaces. (Hubeny, Rangamani, Takayanagi)

Leading EE scaling: d -dim area law $\frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}}$. (Bombelli, Koul, Lee, Sorkin; Srednicki)

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Generalizations of AdS/CFT with reduced symmetries.

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(smaller than Schrodinger symmetries: *e.g.* Galilean boosts broken)

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More general gravity phases: $ds^2 = r^{2\theta/d_i} \left(-\frac{dt^2}{r^{2z}} + \frac{dx_i^2 + dr^2}{r^2} \right)$.

θ = hyperscaling violation exponent; d_i = boundary spatial dim (x_i).

[Conformally Lifshitz. Effective Einstein-Maxwell-Dilaton theories (Trivedi et al; Kiritsis et al, ...)]

$S \sim T^{(d_i - \theta)/z}$. Thermodynamics $\sim$ space dim $d_{eff} = d_i - \theta$: actual space is d_i -dim.]

$\theta = d_i - 1$: entanglement entropy $\sim \log l$, logarithmic behaviour.

Gravity duals of Fermi surfaces? (Ogawa,Takayanagi,Ugajin; Huijse,Sachdev,Swingle)

Aspects of hyperscaling violating holography (Dong,Harrison,Kachru,Torroba,Wang)

$d_i - 1 \leq \theta < d_i$: entanglement entropy shows area law violations.

[Energy conditions: $(d_i - \theta)(d_i(z - 1) - \theta) \geq 0$, $(z - 1)(d + z - \theta) \geq 0$.]

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(ii) Hyperscaling violation: AdS_{d+1} plane waves (KN)

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

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Normalizable g_{++} mode $\Rightarrow$ dual CFT excited state, energy-momentum density $T_{++} = Q$.

Large boost, low temperature limit (Singh) of boosted black branes (Maldacena,Martelli,Tachikawa).

AdS_5 plane wave: $d = 4$, $d_i = 2$, $\theta = 1$, $z = 3$. Logarithmic behaviour of EE.

Entanglement, AdS plane waves

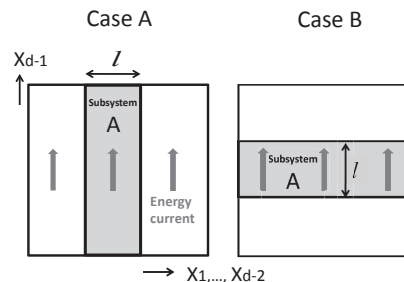
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EE, spacelike strips (width l , $\Delta x^+ > 0 > \Delta x^-$). (KN, Takayanagi, Trivedi)

Non-static spacetime $\rightarrow$ use covariant HEE (Hubeny, Rangamani, Takayanagi).

(stationary point of area functional; if several extremal surfaces exist, choose minimal area).



Spacelike subsystem, UV cutoff ϵ :
leading divergence is area law $\sim \frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}}$

Case A: width direction x_i . Strip along energy flux.

Finite EE $\pm \frac{R^{d-1}}{G_{d+1}} V_{d-2} \sqrt{Q} l^{2-d/2}$.

$N^2 V_2 \sqrt{Q} \log(l Q^{1/4})$ [d=4]: less than $N^2 T^3 V_2 l$

(thermal entropy), larger than $-N^2 \frac{V_2}{l^2}$ (ground state).

Case B: Strip $\perp$ flux.

Phase transition (no connected surface if $\Delta x^+ > 0 > \Delta x^-$).

S_A saturated for $l \gtrsim Q^{-1/4}$.

AdS_{d+1} plane waves, EE

Uniformize notation with nonconformal case: redefine $Q \rightarrow Q \frac{G_{d+1}}{R^{d-1}}$.

$$[Q \rightarrow \frac{Q}{N^2} \text{ (D3)}, Q \rightarrow \frac{Q}{N^{3/2}} \text{ (M2)}, Q \rightarrow \frac{Q}{N^3} \text{ (M5)}]$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{r^2} (-2dx^+ dx^- + dx_i^2 + dr^2) + \frac{G_{d+1} Q}{R^{d-3}} r^{d-2} (dx^+)^2 + R^2 d\Omega^2$$

Plane wave excited states: EE^{finite} (strip along flux direction):

$$\pm \sqrt{Q} V_{d-2} l^{2-\frac{d}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{R^{d-1}}{G_{d+1}}} \quad [+ : d < 4, \quad - : d > 4];$$

$$\sqrt{Q} V_2 N \log(l Q^{1/4}) \text{ (D3)}, \quad \sqrt{Q} L \sqrt{l} \sqrt{N^{3/2}} \text{ (M2)}, \quad -\sqrt{Q} \frac{V_4}{l} \sqrt{N^3} \text{ (M5)}.$$

3d, 4d: finite entanglement grows with width l (large for fixed cutoff).

[spacelike strip subsystem: leading divergence is area law, $\frac{V_2}{\epsilon^2}$ (4d), $\frac{V_1}{\epsilon}$ (3d)]

[Strip $\perp$ flux: phase transition.]

[EE^{fin} scaling estimates $\leftarrow$ approximate r_* , S^{fin} for large Q, l from EE area functional]

[Ground state EE: $S_A \sim \frac{R^{d-1}}{G_{d+1}} \left(\frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}} - c_d \frac{V_{d-2}}{l^{d-2}} \right)$]

[Temperature parameters: $r_0^4 \sim G_{10} \epsilon_4$ (D3), $r_0^6 \sim G_{11} \epsilon_3$ (M2), $r_0^3 \sim G_{11} \epsilon_6$ (M5)

$\lambda \rightarrow \infty, \epsilon_{p+1} \rightarrow 0$, with $\frac{\lambda^2 \epsilon_{p+1}}{2} \equiv Q = \text{fixed}$. Boundary $T_{++} = Q$.]

[$G_5 \sim G_{10} R_{D3}^5, G_{4,7} \sim G_{11} R_{M2, M5}^{7,4}$, with $R_{D3}^4 \sim g_s N l_s^4, R_{M2}^6 \sim N l_P^6, R_{M5}^3 \sim N l_P^3$]

Nonconformal brane plane waves

(KN)

(Recall Dp-brane phases, Itzhaki, Maldacena, Sonnenschein, Yankielowicz)

$$ds_{st}^2 = \frac{r^{(7-p)/2}}{R_p^{(7-p)/2}} dx_{\parallel}^2 + \frac{G_{10} Q_p}{R_p^{(7-p)/2}} \frac{(dx^+)^2}{r^{(7-p)/2}} + R_p^{(7-p)/2} \frac{dr^2}{r^{(7-p)/2}} + R_p^{(7-p)/2} r^{(p-3)/2} d\Omega_{8-p}^2$$

$$e^{\Phi} = g_s \left(\frac{R_p^{7-p}}{r^{7-p}} \right)^{\frac{3-p}{4}}, \quad g_{YM}^2 \sim g_s \alpha'^{(p-3)/2}, \quad R_p^{7-p} \sim g_{YM}^2 N \alpha'^{5-p} \sim g_s N \alpha'^{(7-p)/2}.$$

[g_{++} -deformation obtained from double scaling limit of boosted black Dp-branes

$$r_0^{7-p} = (U_0 \alpha')^{7-p} \sim G_{10} \varepsilon_{p+1}; \quad \lambda \rightarrow \infty, r_0 \rightarrow 0, \text{ with } \frac{\lambda^2 \varepsilon_{p+1}}{2} \equiv Q_p \text{ fixed.}]$$

Strongly coupled Yang-Mills theories with constant energy flux T_{++} .

Dimensionally reducing on S^{8-p} and x^+ , Einstein metric

$ds_E^2 = e^{-\Phi/2} ds_{st}^2$ gives hyperscaling violating metrics with

$$\theta = \frac{p^2 - 6p + 7}{p - 5}, \quad z = \frac{2(p - 6)}{p - 5} \quad (\text{Singh}).$$

D-brane plane waves, EE

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Ground state: Ryu-Takayanagi, Barbon-Fuertes

$$S_A = N_{eff}(\epsilon) \frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}} - c_d N_{eff}(l) \frac{V_{d-2}}{l^{d-2}}, \quad N_{eff}(\epsilon) = N^2 \left(\frac{g_{YM}^2 N}{\epsilon^{p-3}} \right)^{\frac{p-3}{5-p}}$$

Plane wave excited states (KN): leading divergence as above.

Scaling estimates from entanglement entropy area functional:

$$l \sim \frac{R_p^{\frac{7-p}{2}}}{r_*^{\frac{5-p}{2}}}, \quad S_A^{finite} \sim \frac{V_{p-1} \sqrt{Q}}{(3-p) \sqrt{G_{10}}} \frac{R_p^{7-p}}{r_*^{(3-p)/2}} \quad (\text{strip along flux})$$

$$EE^{finite}: \quad \frac{1}{3-p} \frac{V_{p-1} \sqrt{Q}}{l^{(p-3)/2}} N \left(\frac{g_{YM}^2 N}{l^{p-3}} \right)^{\frac{p-3}{2(5-p)}} = \frac{\sqrt{N_{eff}(l)}}{3-p} \frac{V_{p-1} \sqrt{Q}}{l^{(p-3)/2}}$$

[involves dimensionless combination $\frac{V_{p-1} \sqrt{Q}}{l^{(p-3)/2}}$ and $N_{eff}(l)$]

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Plane wave excited states: leading divergence $N_{eff}(\epsilon) \frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}}$ as for ground states (area law).

$$EE^{finite}: \frac{\sqrt{N_{eff}(l)}}{3-p} \frac{V_{p-1}\sqrt{Q}}{l^{(p-3)/2}}, \quad N_{eff}(l) = N^2 \left(\frac{g_{YM}^2 N}{l^{p-3}} \right)^{\frac{p-3}{5-p}}$$

$$\mathbf{D2-M2}: \quad V_1 \sqrt{l} \sqrt{Q} \sqrt{\frac{N^2}{(g_{YM}^2 N l)^{1/3}}} (D2); \quad V_1 \sqrt{l} \sqrt{Q} \sqrt{N^{3/2}} (M2).$$

IIA regime of validity (**IMSY**) for turning point r_* gives $1 \ll g_{YM}^2 N l_{D2} \ll N^{6/5}$, and so $N^{3/2} \ll \frac{N^2}{(g_{YM}^2 N l)^{1/3}} \ll N^2$. Thus $S_A^{D2, sugra}$ betw free 3d SYM (UV) and M2 (IR) (RG-consistent).

$$\mathbf{D4-M5}: \quad -\frac{V_3 \sqrt{Q}}{\sqrt{l}} \sqrt{N^2 \frac{g_{YM}^2 N}{l}} (D4); \quad -\sqrt{Q} \frac{V_4}{l} \sqrt{N^3} (M5).$$

The finite parts for D4-sugra and M5-phases are actually same expression: D4 is wrapped M5 ($R_{11} = g_s l_s = g_{YM}^2$) and $V_4 = V_3 R_{11}$, $Q_{D4} = Q_{M5} R_{11}$. IIA: $1 \ll \frac{g_{YM}^2 N}{l} \ll N^{2/3}$.

$$\mathbf{D1}: \quad l \sqrt{Q} \sqrt{\frac{N^2}{(g_{YM}^2 N l^2)^{1/2}}}$$

Strip orthogonal to flux: indications of phase transitions, constrained however by IIA regime of validity.

Mutual Information

MI (disjoint subsystems A & B): $I[A, B] = S[A] + S[B] - S[A \cup B]$.

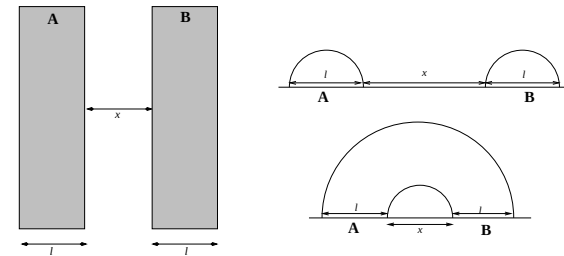
$I[A, B] \geq 0$. Cutoff-dependent divergences cancel. Gives bound for correlation fns.

Holographic mutual information: find extremal surface for $A \cup B$.

Subsystems far, two disjoint minimal surfaces: $MI = 0$.

Subsystems nearby, connected surface has lower area.

Ryu-Takayanagi $\rightarrow$ MI disentangling transition (Headrick).



Similar disentanglement for thermal states (Fischler,Kundu,Kundu): $\frac{x_c}{l} \sim 0$ (for $x, l \gg \frac{1}{T}$).

(Mukherjee, KN) MI for AdS plane wave excited states $\rightarrow$

critical separation $\frac{x_c}{l}$ between subsystems smaller than in ground state

(pure AdS): e.g. $\frac{x_c}{l} \simeq 0.732$ (AdS_5) whereas $\frac{x_c}{l} \simeq 0.414$ (AdS_5

plane wave). [For wide strips ($Ql^d \gg 1$), critical $\frac{x_c}{l}$ independent of flux Q .]

[Narrow strips $Ql^d \ll 1$: perturbative corrections ΔS ($\sim$ EE thermodynamics) $\rightarrow$ MI decreases.]

Mutual information disentanglement occurs faster.

Suggests energy density disorders system.

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(KN)

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EE, null time x^- slices ($\beta = 0$)

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Lightlike limit of EE $\equiv$ highly boosted limit of EE for spacelike

strips: boost $x^{\pm} \rightarrow \lambda^{\pm 1} x^{\pm} \Rightarrow \alpha = \lambda$ and $\beta = \frac{1}{\lambda} \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow$

$$S = \frac{V_{d-2}R^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} \int_{\epsilon}^{r_*} \frac{dr}{r^{d-1}} \frac{2 + \lambda^2 g_{++} r^2}{\sqrt{2 + \lambda^2 g_{++} r^2 - A^2 r^{2d-2}}}.$$

In regime $\lambda^2 g_{++}(\epsilon) \epsilon^2 \gtrsim 1 \rightarrow$ EE on null time x^- slices ($\beta = 0$).

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Lightlike limit of EE ($\equiv$ highly boosted limit of spacelike EE: $x^{\pm} \rightarrow \lambda^{\pm 1} x^{\pm}$)

$\xrightarrow{\text{large } \lambda}$

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i.e. EE on null time x^- slices in regime $\lambda^2 g_{++}(\epsilon) \epsilon^2 \gtrsim 1$.

Subsystem stretched on x^+ -plane: $x^- = 0, \quad -\frac{l}{2} < x \leq \frac{l}{2}, \quad -\infty < x^+, y_i < \infty.$

Note:

$$\text{leading divergence milder, } S^{div} \sim \frac{R^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} V_{d-2} \frac{\sqrt{\lambda^2 g_{++}(\epsilon)}}{\epsilon^{d-3}}.$$

Note also: $g_{++} = 0 \Rightarrow$ lightlike EE (on x^- slices) vanishes.

[Similar structure for boosted black branes, nonconformal brane plane waves etc.]

Null EE, AdS_{d+1} plane waves

$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{r^2}[-2dx^+dx^- + dx_i^2 + dr^2] + R^2Qr^{d-2}(dx^+)^2$, dual to CFT excited states,
energy-momentum density $T_{++} \sim Q$: spacelike EE gives area law, $S^{div} \sim \frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}}$.

EE on null time x^- slices if $\lambda^2 g_{++}(\epsilon)\epsilon^2 \gtrsim 1$, i.e. $\lambda^2 Q\epsilon^d \gtrsim 1$, i.e. elemental
lightcone momentum $P_+ = T_{++}\Delta x^+ \Delta^{d-2}x|_\epsilon$ after boost is comparable to UV cutoff $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$.

In bulk: UV surface $r = \epsilon$ dips in sufficiently to feel g_{++} presence.

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$$\text{Milder leading divergence } S^{div} \sim \frac{R^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} \frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d_{eff}-2}} \quad [d_{eff} = d - 1 - \theta = \frac{d}{2}]$$

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Null EE, AdS_{d+1} plane waves

$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{r^2}[-2dx^+dx^- + dx_i^2 + dr^2] + R^2Qr^{d-2}(dx^+)^2$, dual to CFT excited states, energy-momentum density $T_{++} \sim Q$: spacelike EE gives area law, $S^{div} \sim \frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}}$.

EE on null time x^- slices if $\lambda^2 g_{++}(\epsilon)\epsilon^2 \gtrsim 1$, i.e. $\lambda^2 Q\epsilon^d \gtrsim 1$, i.e. elemental lightcone momentum $P_+ = T_{++}\Delta x^+ \Delta^{d-2}x|_\epsilon$ after boost is comparable to UV cutoff $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$.

In bulk: UV surface $r = \epsilon$ dips in sufficiently to feel g_{++} presence.

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Reminiscent of **ultralocality** in lightcone QFT (Wall).

Ground state: n -pt functions (fields at distinct locations) vanish. Suggests vanishing EE.

Excited states, $P_+ \neq 0$: can show free-field correlators non-vanishing. Suggests EE nonzero.

Boundary space: $ds^2 = -2dx^+dx^- + g^2(dx^+)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{d-2} dx_i^2$, with $g^2 = T_{++}\epsilon^d \gtrsim 1$.

Usual area law $S_{div} \sim N^2 \frac{V_{x^+} V_{y_i}}{\epsilon^{d-2}} = N^2 V_{d-2} \frac{\sqrt{T_{++}\epsilon^d}}{\epsilon^{d-2}} = N^2 \sqrt{Q} \frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d_{eff}-2}}$.

Null EE, AdS_{d+1} -Lifshitz

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{r^2} [-2dx^+ dx^- + dx_i^2 + dr^2] + R^2 K^2 (dx^+)^2,$$

AdS_{d+1} deformed by non-normalizable Lifshitz deformation, at scale K .

Lower dim Lifshitz theory arises on lengthscales $\gg \frac{1}{K}$.

Subsystem: $x^+ = \alpha\chi, \quad x^- = -\beta\chi, \quad -\frac{l}{2} < x \leq \frac{l}{2}, \quad -\infty < \chi, y_i < \infty.$

$$\rightarrow S = \frac{V_{d-2} R^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} \int_{\epsilon}^{r_*} \frac{dr}{r^{d-1}} \frac{2\alpha\beta + \alpha^2 K^2 r^2}{\sqrt{2\alpha\beta + \alpha^2 K^2 r^2 - A^2 r^{2d-2}}} \quad (\text{and width } l \sim r_*).$$

$S^{div} \sim \frac{V_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}}, d\text{-dim area law if } \epsilon \ll \frac{1}{K}$ — in this case UV is original CFT_d dual to AdS_{d+1} .

EE, null time x^- slices ($\beta = 0$)

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For larger lengthscales, *i.e.* $\epsilon \gtrsim \frac{1}{K}$, this is approximated as a lightlike limit (EE on null x^- slices) $\rightarrow$ we see Lifshitz structure: $S^{div} \sim \frac{V_{d-2} K}{\epsilon^{d-3}}.$

Compactify $\rightarrow V_{d-2} = \int (\prod_{i=1}^{d-3} dy_i) d\chi = V_{d-3} V_+$ and $V_+ \sim \frac{1}{K} \rightarrow$ lower dim area law.

Compared with AdS : $S^{fin} \sim \frac{V_{d-2} K}{l^{d-3}}$ larger for $l \gg \frac{1}{K} \rightarrow$ perhaps reflection of more soft modes in Lifshitz theory (recall Lifshitz singularities (Horowitz, Way)).

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de Sitter space and dS/CFT

de Sitter space: $ds^2 = \frac{R_{dS}^2}{\tau^2} (-d\tau^2 + dw^2 + dx_i^2).$

Fascinating for various reasons. dS/CFT : fluctuations about dS encoded thro dual Euclidean non-unitary CFT on *e.g.* boundary at future timelike infinity $\mathcal{I}^+$ (Witten; Strominger; Maldacena, '01-'02).

Still mysterious, but perhaps interesting to explore.

(Maldacena '02) analytic continuation $r \rightarrow -i\tau$, $R_{AdS} \rightarrow -iR_{dS}$ from Eucl $AdS_4 \rightarrow$ Hartle-Hawking wavefunction of the universe $\Psi[\varphi] = Z_{CFT}$.

[Bulk EAdS regularity conditions, deep interior $\rightarrow$ Bunch-Davies initial conditions in deSitter, $\varphi_k(\tau) \sim e^{ik\tau}$ for large $|\tau|$.] $[Z_{CFT} = \Psi[\varphi] \sim e^{iI_{cl}[\varphi]}$ (semiclassical)].

[Bulk expectation values $\langle f_1 f'_2 \rangle \sim \int D\varphi f_1 f'_2 |\Psi|^2$.]

Wavefunction $\Psi[\varphi]$ not pure phase $\rightarrow$

complex saddle points contribute to observables.

[Operationally, dS/CFT usefully defined by analytic continuation.]

dS/CFT at uniform energy density

(Sumit Das, Diptarka Das, KN)

$$ds_{d+1}^2 = \frac{R_{dS}^2}{\tau^2} \left(-\frac{d\tau^2}{1+\alpha\tau_0^d\tau^d} + (1 + \alpha\tau_0^d\tau^d)dw^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{d-1} dx_i^2 \right),$$

α is a complex phase and τ_0 is some real parameter of dimension length inverse.

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$$\alpha = -(-i)^d, \quad l \geq \tau_0, \quad w \simeq w + \frac{4\pi}{(d-1)\tau_0}.$$

$\Rightarrow$ *complex* metric, solving dS gravity $R_{MN} = \frac{d}{R_{dS}^2} g_{MN}$.

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“Normalizable” metric modes $\Rightarrow$ energy-momentum tensor vev.

$$T_{ij} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{h}} \frac{\delta Z_{CFT}}{\delta h^{ij}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{h}} \frac{\delta \Psi}{\delta h^{ij}} \propto i \frac{R_{dS}^{d-1}}{G_{d+1}} g_{ij}^{(d)} \rightarrow dS \text{ black brane.}$$

$[g_{ij}^{(d)} = \text{coefficient of } \tau^{d-2} \text{ in Fefferman-Graham expn}]. \quad [dS/CFT: Z_{CFT} = \Psi].$

Note i arising from the wavefunction of the universe $\Psi \sim e^{iI_{cl}}$

$\Rightarrow$ energy-momentum real only if $g_{ij}^{(d)}$ pure imaginary.

$$dS_4/CFT_3: \quad \alpha = -i, \quad T_{ww} = -\frac{R_{dS}^2}{G_4} \tau_0^3 \quad \text{with} \quad T_{ww} + (d-1)T_{ii} = 0.$$

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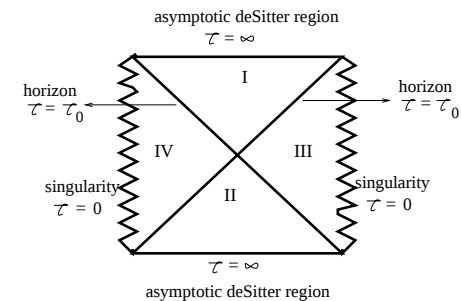
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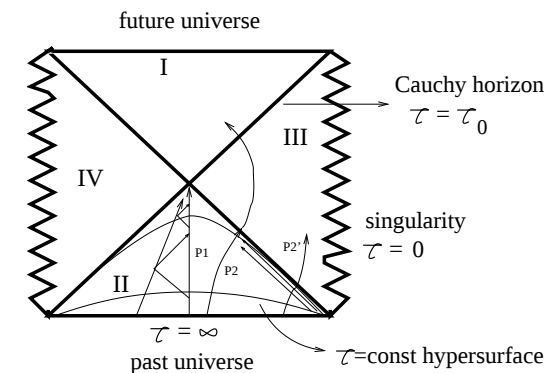
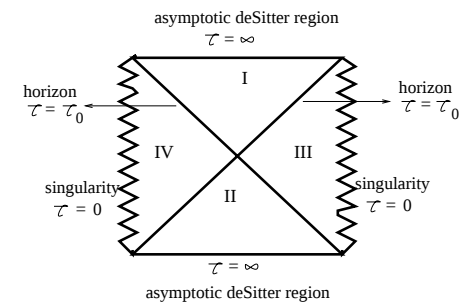
crosses the horizon, turns around inside and appears

to re-emerge in the future universe.

Incoming lightrays from infinity “crowd near” Cauchy horizon:

Late time infalling observers P_2 see early lightrays blueshifted.

Infinite blueshift due to Cauchy horizon: instability.



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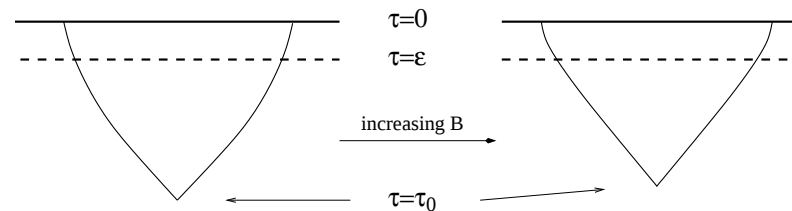
Important sign difference from $AdS \Rightarrow$ no real “turning point”. $x(\tau)$ is hyperboloid.

Extremal surface = two half-extremal-surfaces joined continuously at τ_0 but with sharp cusp.

$$S_{dS} = \frac{R_{dS}^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} V_{d-2} \int_{\epsilon}^{\tau_0} \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{d-1}} \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+B^2\tau^{2d-2}}}.$$

Minimize area w.r.t. parameter $B \rightarrow$ increase B .

$\Rightarrow$ surface shape saturates, approaches $\dot{x}^2 \rightarrow 1$.



$B \gg \frac{1}{\epsilon^{d-1}} \rightarrow$ **past lightcone wedge** of subregion: $x(\tau)$ null surface, vanishing area.

$\rightarrow$ analog of causal holographic information in AdS (Hubeny, Rangamani).

dS/CFT : complex saddle points $\rightarrow$ complex extremal surfaces?

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de Sitter (Poincare): $ds_{d+1}^2 = \frac{R_{dS}^2}{\tau^2} (-d\tau^2 + dw^2 + dx_i^2).$

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dS_4/CFT_3 : $B^2 > 0 \Rightarrow$ no turning point. Consider $B^2 = -A^2 \rightarrow$

$$i\dot{x} = \frac{\pm A\tau^2}{\sqrt{1-A^2\tau^4}}, \rightarrow \text{complex extremal surface: } \tau_{UV} = i\epsilon, \quad \tau_* \sim il.$$

$$S_{dS} = -i\tilde{S}_{dS} = -i \frac{R_{dS}^2}{4G_4} V_1 \int_{\tau_{UV}}^{\tau_*} \frac{d\tau}{\tau^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-A^2\tau^4}} \sim -\frac{R_{dS}^2}{4G_4} V_1 \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} - c \frac{1}{l} \right).$$

(Anninos, Hartman, Strominger) $\frac{R_{dS}^2}{4G_4} \sim -N$: so $S_{dS} > 0$, real, resembles EE.

$\rightarrow$ analytic continuation from AdS Ryu-Takayanagi extremization.

$$S_{AdS}[R, x(r), r] = \frac{R^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} V_{d-2} \int \frac{dr}{r^{d-1}} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dr}\right)^2}, \quad (x')^2 = \frac{A^2 r^{2d-2}}{1-A^2 r^{2d-2}} \rightarrow$$

$$\dot{x}^2 = \frac{-(-1)^{d-1} A^2 \tau^{2d-2}}{1-(-1)^{d-1} A^2 \tau^{2d-2}}, \quad S_{dS} = -i \frac{R_{dS}^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} V_{d-2} \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{d-1}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(-1)^{d-1} A^2 \tau^{2d-2}}}.$$

Although these complex extremal surfaces show up in all dS_{d+1} , resulting analytically continued

area is not always real-valued: S_{dS} real in dS_4/CFT_3 . Physical interpretation: EE?

[dS_4 black brane, CFT_3 at uniform energy density: S_{dS}^{fin} resembles extensive thermal entropy.]

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