

# $dS$ extremal surfaces, replicas, pseudo-Renyis & time entanglement

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- de Sitter space,  $dS/CFT$  and de Sitter entropy;
- $dS$  extremal surfaces: future-past, no-boundary, time-entanglement/pseudo-entropy, analytic cont'ns, LM replica geometries, pseudo-Renyi
- QM: pseudo-entropy, time-entanglement  $\rightarrow$  cosmological transition matrix
- Slow-roll inflation, no-bndy surfaces

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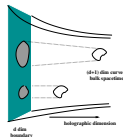
25+ yrs since  $AdS/CFT$  '97 Maldacena; '98 Gubser, Klebanov, Polyakov; Witten.

Holography: quantum gravity in  $\mathcal{M} \leftrightarrow$  dual without gravity on  $\partial\mathcal{M}$  ('t Hooft, Susskind).

(Witten@Strings'98, '01) Gauge/gravity duality and asymptotics —

$\Lambda < 0$ :  $AdS$   $\rightarrow$  asymptotics at spatial infinity.

Dual: unitary Lorentzian CFT, includes time.



$\Lambda = 0$ : flat space  $\rightarrow$  null infinity.

S-matrix, symmetries, Carroll/celestial ...

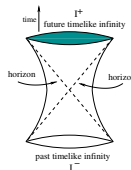
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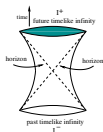
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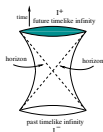
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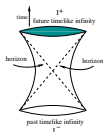
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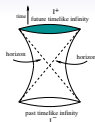
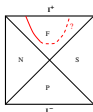
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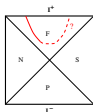
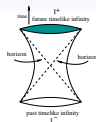
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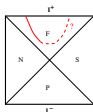
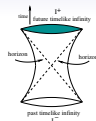


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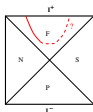
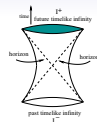
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Areas: new object  $\rightarrow$  Pseudo entropy or “Time entanglement”.

(EE-like structures, timelike separations) **Doi, Harper, Mollabashi, Takayanagi, Taki; KN, '22**

[LM replica on  
 $\Psi_{dS} = Z_{CFT}$ ]

$$\tau_{F|I}^A = \text{Tr}_B \left( \frac{|F\rangle\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(|F\rangle\langle I|)} \right) \quad [\text{entropy of reduced transition matrix (Nakata, Takayanagi, Taki, Tamaoka, Wei, '20)}]$$

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$$2 \text{ g.s.}, \sum \psi^{ij} |ij\rangle: \quad \langle \psi | \psi \rangle = \gamma_{ik} \gamma_{jl} \psi^{ij} \psi^{kl*} = |\psi^{++}|^2 + |\psi^{--}|^2 - |\psi^{+-}|^2 - |\psi^{-+}|^2 = \pm 1$$

$$\text{RDM: } (\rho_A)^{ik} = \gamma_{jl} \psi^{ij} \psi^{kl*}; \quad \text{EE: } S_A = -\gamma_{ij} (\rho_A \log \rho_A)^{ij} \quad [\text{new patterns}]$$

- $-ve \text{ norm} \leftrightarrow \text{Im}(S_A)$       •  $+ve \text{ norm } |\psi\rangle \nRightarrow +ve \text{ RDM, EE.}$

- Nontrivial adjoint  $\Rightarrow \rho \sim$  transition matrix  $\rightarrow$  pseudo-entropies.

- 2 copies: entangle identical ghost-spins from each copy  $\rightarrow +ve \text{ norm, RDM, EE}$

$$|\psi\rangle = \psi^{++}|+\rangle|+\rangle + \psi^{--}|-\rangle|-\rangle \Rightarrow \text{Positivity} \rightarrow \text{correlated ghost-spins}$$

Also true for 2 copies of general ghost-spin ensembles:  $|\psi\rangle = \sum |\sigma_n\rangle \psi^{\sigma_n, \sigma_n} |\sigma_n\rangle |\sigma_n\rangle \rightarrow \text{Positivity.}$

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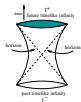
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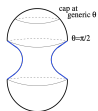
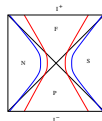


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Bndry Eucl time slice, any  $S^{d-1}$  equatorial plane (OR  $t=const$  slice).

Future-past (timelike) surfaces connecting  $I^+$  to  $I^-$

Hartman-Maldacena ( $AdS$  bh) rotated.  $[\text{area div } -i \frac{\pi l^2}{G_4} \frac{R_c}{l}]$



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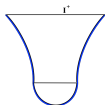
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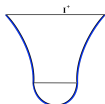


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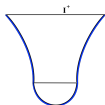
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Suggests  $S_{nb} \equiv \Psi_{dS}, \quad S_{fp} \equiv \Psi_{dS}, \Psi_{dS}^* (I^+ \cup I^-).$

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Ordinary spacelike intervals  $\Delta^2 > 0 \rightarrow S = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\Delta x}{\epsilon}$ .

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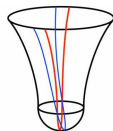
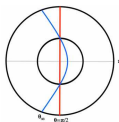
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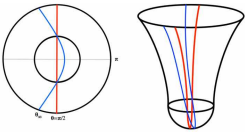


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(blue: generic  $\theta_\infty$ )

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**LM replica formulation:** entropy = area of cosmic brane created from “nothing”.

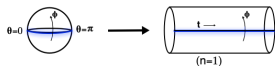
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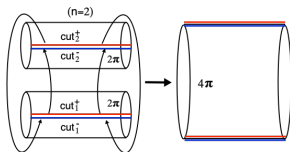
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Boundary Renyi entropy  $S_n = \frac{1}{1-n} \log\left(\frac{Z_n}{Z_1^n}\right) = \frac{1}{1-n} \log\left(\frac{\Psi_n}{\Psi_1^n}\right) \sim i \frac{I_n - n I_1}{1-n}$



Maximal subregion:  $S^2 \rightarrow$  cylinder conformal transfm  
 $\rightarrow$  smooth bulk replica geometry

$$ds^2 = -\frac{dr^2}{\frac{r^2}{l^2} - \frac{1}{n^2}} + \left(\frac{r^2}{l^2} - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) dt^2 + r^2 d\phi^2$$



Replica boundary condns  $\phi \equiv \phi + 2\pi n$  at  $I^+$ .

[Euclidean part  $r < \frac{l}{n}$ :  $t \rightarrow i\tau_E$  and  $\tau_E = [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ ]

Renyi entropy  $S_n^{nb} = \frac{1+n}{2n} \left( \frac{\pi l}{4G_3} + \frac{i l}{2G_3} \log \frac{2R_c}{l} \right)$

$n \rightarrow 1$  limit  $\rightarrow$  extremal surface area earlier.

Cosmic brane: consider above metric in boundary-quotiented variables  $\phi \equiv \phi + 2\pi$ .

Now  $r = 0$  is singularity (North+South poles). This is **Schwarzschild  $dS_3$**  :

$$ds^2 = -\left(1 - 8G_3 E - \frac{r^2}{l^2}\right) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 - 8G_3 E - \frac{r^2}{l^2}} + r^2 d\tilde{\phi}^2, \quad 8G_3 E = 1 - \frac{1}{n^2}.$$

Cosmic brane ( $r = 0$ ) timelike in Lorentzian region.

# Replica geometries: $dS_4$

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Convenient to construct  $dS_4$  replica in hyperbolic coords ( $dH_2^2 = d\chi^2 + \sinh^2 \chi d\psi^2$ ): recall  $AdS$  hyperbolic black holes, replicas, Renyi entropies, [Hung,Myers,Smolkin,Yale,'11](#).

Pure  $dS_4$ :  $ds^2 = -\frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + l^2 f(r) d\phi^2 + r^2 dH_2^2$ ,  $f(r) = \frac{r^2}{l^2} + 1$ ,  $r = [il, 0] \cup [0, R_c]$ .

EucL:  $r = i\rho$ ,  $\chi = i\varphi$ :  $ds^2 = \frac{d\rho^2}{1 - \frac{\rho^2}{l^2}} + l^2 \left(1 - \frac{\rho^2}{l^2}\right) d\phi^2 + \rho^2 (d\varphi^2 + \sin^2 \varphi d\psi^2)$

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**Regularity criterion:** smooth Euclidean continuation  $r = i\rho$  ( $dS_4$  brane: [Das,Das,KN,'13](#)).  
 $\rightarrow -AdS$  type space. In  $dS$  variables  $\rightarrow$  complex geometry, “ends” at complex horizon.

Boundary Renyi entropy  $S_n = \frac{i}{1-n} \frac{2\pi A n}{16\pi G_4 l} \left( r_h (-r_h^2 + l^2) - 2il^3 \right)$ .

$n \rightarrow 1$  limit, extremal surface area:  $S_1 = -\frac{l^2}{4G_4} A \equiv \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \left( \frac{iR_c}{l} + 1 \right)$ .

Note: the hyperboloid area  $A$  is complex, since  $dS_4$  in hyperbolic foliation is a nontrivial embedding in global  $dS_4$  (even for  $n = 1$ ) [ $\cosh \chi_{max} \sim \frac{R_c}{il}$ ]. [Explicit  $dS_4$  embedding coords for hyperboloid surface in covering space]

Can be generalized to higher dim  $dS$ . Overall this is equivalent to analytic continuation from  $AdS$ .

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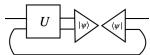
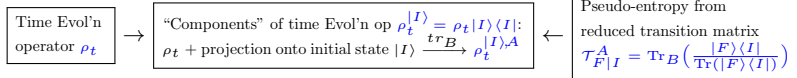
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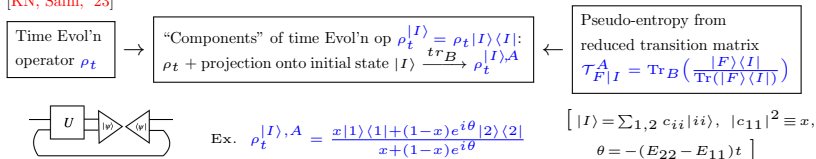
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• Transition matrix operator  $\mathbf{T} \equiv \frac{|\psi(t)\rangle \langle \phi(t)|}{\text{Tr}(|\psi\rangle \langle \phi|)} = \frac{\mathcal{U}(t)|\psi\rangle \langle \phi| \mathcal{U}(t)^\dagger}{\text{Tr}(|\psi\rangle \langle \phi|)}$  : (Nanda, KN, Porey, Yadav)  
 useful for operators localized to subregions, autocorrn fns etc (also Milekhin, Adamska, Preskill).

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Drawing experience from QM, revert to cosmology  $\rightarrow$  consider

$$\text{“Cosmological transition matrix” from } I^- \text{ to } I^+: \quad \mathbb{T}_{dS} \equiv \Psi[I^+] \Psi^*[I^-]$$

Can now construct time-entanglement or pseudo-entropy quantities in various cosmological contexts.

“Boundedness” since de Sitter entropy is finite. Consider  $\Psi[I^-] = \Psi[I^+] = \Psi_{dS}^{HH}$ . This amounts to gluing the past and future Euclidean hemispheres.

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Entirely Lorentzian  $dS_4$  suggests  $\Psi[I^-] = \Psi[I^+]^*$

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For  $Z_{CFT}[I^+] = Z_{CFT}[I^-]$ , this is positive: encodes  $dS$  entropy.

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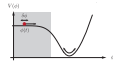
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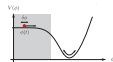
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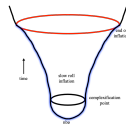
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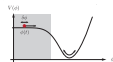
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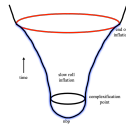
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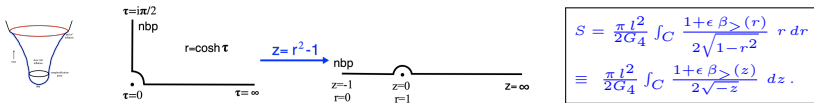
$$\beta_>(r) = \frac{8-9r^4+4ir^2\sqrt{r^2-1}+8i\sqrt{r^2-1}-6ir^4\sqrt{r^2-1}+r^6(6\log(1-i\sqrt{r^2-1})-1+3i\pi)}{6r^4(r^2-1)} \quad [\text{Lorentzian}]$$

$$\text{Area } S_{sr_4}^{r<1} + S_{sr_4}^{r>1} \xrightarrow{O(\epsilon)} S_{sr_4} \simeq \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \left( -i \int_1^{R_c/l} \frac{1+\epsilon \beta_>(r)}{\sqrt{r^2-1}} r dr + \int_0^1 \frac{1+\epsilon \beta_<(r)}{\sqrt{1-r^2}} r dr \right)$$

Extra singular terms at complexification point  $r = 1$  (poles in  $\beta(r)$  terms) (like Wavefn)

Define as complex-time-plane integral + time-contour (avoid  $r = 1$ ). Normalize to leading  $dS$ .

# Slow-roll no-boundary extremal surfaces



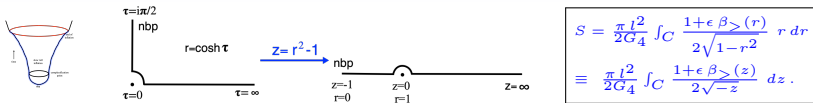
$$\begin{aligned} S = & \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \left[ 1 - \sqrt{\delta} + \epsilon \left[ \left( \log 4 - \frac{7}{6} + i\pi \right) - \left( -\frac{2-3i\pi}{6\sqrt{\delta}} + \frac{5}{3} \right) \right] + \sqrt{\delta}(-i+1) \right. \\ \rightarrow & \left. + \epsilon \left[ \frac{2-3i\pi}{6i\sqrt{\delta}} - \frac{2-3i\pi}{6\sqrt{\delta}} \right] + \frac{1}{i}(\sqrt{z_C} - \sqrt{\delta}) + \epsilon \left[ \left( 1 + i\frac{7}{6}\sqrt{z_C} - i\sqrt{z_C} \log \sqrt{z_C} \right) - \left( \frac{2-3i\pi}{6i\sqrt{\delta}} + \frac{5}{3} \right) \right] \right] \end{aligned}$$

Various cancellations as expected. Details of regulating semicircle contour unimportant.

$$S_{sr4} = \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \left( -i\frac{R_c}{l} + 1 \right) + \epsilon \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \left( -i\frac{R_c}{l} \log \frac{R_c}{l} + i\frac{7}{6}\frac{R_c}{l} + \log 4 - \frac{7}{2} + i\pi \right)$$

- Divergent parts pure imaginary. Vindicates finite cosmic brane creation probability, set by size of maximal hemisphere ( $\equiv dS$  entropy + slow-roll corrections [ $< 0$ ]).
  - No clean separation betw real/imaginary parts of area, slow-roll corrections mix all.
- Finite terms in particular arise from entire surface, both timelike and hemisphere parts.

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$$S = \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \int_C \frac{1+\epsilon \beta_{\geq}(r)}{2\sqrt{1-r^2}} r dr$$

$$\equiv \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \int_C \frac{1+\epsilon \beta_{\geq}(z)}{2\sqrt{-z}} dz .$$

$$\rightarrow S = \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \left[ 1 - \sqrt{\delta} + \epsilon \left[ \left( \log 4 - \frac{7}{6} + i\pi \right) - \left( -\frac{2-3i\pi}{6\sqrt{\delta}} + \frac{5}{3} \right) \right] + \sqrt{\delta}(-i+1) \right]$$

$$+ \epsilon \left[ \frac{2-3i\pi}{6i\sqrt{\delta}} - \frac{2-3i\pi}{6\sqrt{\delta}} \right] + \frac{1}{i}(\sqrt{z_c} - \sqrt{\delta}) + \epsilon \left[ \left( 1 + i\frac{7}{6}\sqrt{z_c} - i\sqrt{z_c} \log \sqrt{z_c} \right) - \left( \frac{2-3i\pi}{6i\sqrt{\delta}} + \frac{5}{3} \right) \right]$$

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Finite parts above (cosmic brane probability) match those in  $dS_4$  Wavefunction:

$$iI_{sr4} = \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \left[ 1 + \epsilon \left( \log 4 - \frac{7}{2} + i\pi \right) - i \left( r_c^3 - \frac{3}{2} r_c \right) + i\epsilon \left( r_c^3 \left( \log r_c - \frac{1}{6} \right) + \frac{r_c}{4} (6 \log r_c - 11) \right) \right]$$

(Maldacena '24)  $\Psi \sim e^{iI_{sr4}}$ , obtained by evaluating on-shell action via ADM formulation.

- $AdS$  BH: IR RT surface wraps horizon,  $S^{fin} \sim$  BH entropy  $\leftarrow$  action  $\equiv$  partition fn

# Conclusions, questions

- $dS$  future boundary: no  $I^+ \rightarrow I^+$  turning point. Surfaces do not return to  $I^+$ .  
(a) Future-past surfaces,  $I^+ \leftrightarrow I^-$ . Timelike. (b) No-boundary surfaces, Real part (hemisphere) =  $\frac{1}{2} dS$  entropy.

*Pseudo-entropy*:  $AdS$  analytic cont'n  $\equiv$  space  $\leftrightarrow$  time rotation, Lewkowycz-Maldacena.  
Explicit  $dS$  replica geometries for maximal subregions  $\rightarrow$  boundary Renyi entropies.

? *Complex  $dS$ -like geometries*: rules for replicas, time-contours?  
multiple extremal surfaces? KSW?

*QM & Time-entanglement/Pseudo-entropy*: EE-like structures, timelike separations:

- (i) reduced time evolution operator  $\leftrightarrow$  red. transition amplitudes,
- (ii) positivity in future-past entangled states & density matrices.

“Cosmological transition matrix” using  $dS$  Wavefunction  $\rightarrow dS$  entropy, future-past areas...

? Dual using two copies of ghost-like CFTs?

- *Slow-roll inflation*: no-boundary areas must be defined carefully via complex time plane integrals with appropriate time contours avoiding potential poles.

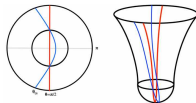
Maximal cosmic brane creation probability (=  $dS_4$  entropy + slow-roll corrections [ $< 0$ ])

matches  $|\text{Wavefunction}|^2$ . Dual CFT understanding? Time-contours, more general cosmologies?

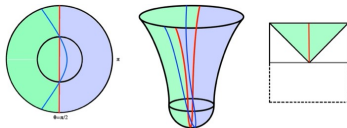
? Pseudo-entropy meta-observables  $\leftrightarrow$  standard Big-Bang cosmology observers/observables?

# $dS$ surfaces, subregion duality, geometrically

IR surface,  $t = \text{const}$  slice, maximal subregion  $\rightarrow$  **red** surface;  
 Generic subregion, **blue**: tilted “great circle” in hemisphere,  
 joining with tilted timelike surface in Lorentzian top half.  
 $dS_3$  explicitly solvable;  $dS_{d+1}$ , perturbatively analysed.

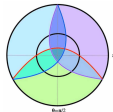


Time-entanglement/Pseudo-entanglement  
 wedge: Max subregion,  $t = \text{const}$  slice: **green**  
 bulk region bounded by (**red**) IR surface and  
 boundary subregion. (**Violet** complement region)



Including  $t$ -direction  $\rightarrow$  top wedge (containing future of IR surface on vertical  
 $t = \text{const}$  slice), bounded by  $I^+$  subregion  $\equiv$  analytic continuation from  $AdS$ .  
 Space-time rotation from  $AdS$  EE wedge. ( $dS/CFT$  via relative entropy, modular flow etc?)

Multiple disjoint boundary subregions: **red**, **violet**, **blue** no-boundary  $dS$   
 extremal surfaces. Complex areas so quite different from  $AdS$  EE.  
 Bulk subregions not disjoint: except for IR (maximal) subregions.

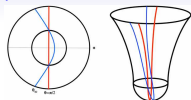


[Maybe other possibilities: subregion duality in Lorentzian  $dS$  via future-past surfaces..]

# $dS$ surfaces, entropy relations/inequalities

$$dS_3 : S_t^{\theta_\infty} = -i \frac{l}{2G_3} \log \frac{R_c}{l} - i \frac{l}{4G_3} \log(\sin^2 \theta_\infty) + \frac{\pi l}{4G_3}$$

$$\text{IR}, \theta_\infty = \frac{\pi}{2} : S_t^{IR} = -i \frac{l}{2G_3} \log \frac{R_c}{l} + \frac{\pi l}{4G_3}$$

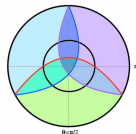


Two adjacent disjoint subregions  $A, B$  ( $2\theta_\infty = \frac{\pi}{2}$ );  $A \cup B \equiv (2\theta_\infty = \pi)$ .

“Mutual time-information” or “mutual pseudo-information”:

$$I_t[A, B] = S[A] + S[B] - S[A \cup B] = -i \frac{l}{2G_3} \log \frac{R_c}{l} + i \frac{l}{2G_3} \log 2 + \frac{\pi l}{4G_3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Re } I_t \geq 0, \quad \text{Im } I_t \leq 0. \quad (\text{antipodal subregions, } I_t = 0)$$



**Tripartite time-information:** 3 disjoint adjacent quadrant subregions  $A, B, C$  ( $2\theta_\infty = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ).

$A \cup B, B \cup C$  maximal (IR) subregions.  $A \cup C$ , antipodal quadrants (extr. surf. = “inner” ( $\equiv B$ ) + “outer”).

$$S_A = S_B = S_C = S_t^{\pi/4}, \quad S_{AB} = S_{BC} = S_t^{\pi/2}, \quad S_{AC} = S_t^{\pi/4} + S_t^{\pi/4}, \quad S_{ABC} = S_t^{\pi/4};$$

$$I_3^t[A, B, C] = S_A + S_B + S_C - S_{AB} - S_{BC} - S_{AC} + S_{ABC} = i \frac{l}{2G_3} \log 2 \Rightarrow \text{Im } I_3^t \geq 0.$$

$$\text{Strong subadditivity: } \left. \begin{aligned} S_{AB} + S_{BC} - S_{ABC} - S_B &= -i \frac{l}{2G_3} \log 2, \\ S_{AB} + S_{BC} - S_A - S_C &= -i \frac{l}{2G_3} \log 2. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Re } SSB_{1,2}^t &\geq 0, \\ \text{Im } SSB_{1,2}^t &\leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

**$dS$  area/entropy relations special** (relative to qubit system pseudo-entropies).

Note:  $AdS$  analytic continuation  $il \rightarrow -L \Rightarrow MI \geq 0, I_3 \leq 0, SSB^{1,2} \geq 0$ .

Consistent with  $AdS$  RT/HRT areas which are also special [Hayden, Headrick, Maloney, '11](#).

# Qubits, pseudo-entropy inequalities

Pseudo-entropy  $\rho_t = \frac{|F\rangle\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(|F\rangle\langle I|)} = \frac{\mathcal{U}(t)|I\rangle\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(\mathcal{U}(t)|I\rangle\langle I|)}$  [= time evolv op  $\mathcal{U}(t) = e^{-iHt}$  with projection]  
for TFD-type initial state  $|I\rangle$  and its time-evolved final state  $|F\rangle = \mathcal{U}(t)|I\rangle$ .

**2-qubits:**  $|I\rangle = c_{11}|11\rangle + c_{22}|22\rangle$ ,  $|F\rangle = c_{11}e^{-iE_{11}t}|11\rangle + c_{22}e^{-iE_{22}t}|22\rangle$   
 $[|c_{11}|^2 + |c_{22}|^2 = 1; |c_{11}|^2 \equiv x; \theta = -(E_{22} - E_{11})t]$

$$\rho_t^1 = \text{Tr}_2 \rho_t, \quad \rho_t^2 = \text{Tr}_1 \rho_t, \quad \rho_t^2 = \rho_t^1 = \frac{1}{x+(1-x)e^{i\theta}} (x|1\rangle\langle 1| + (1-x)e^{i\theta}|2\rangle\langle 2|),$$

$$S_t^2 = S_t^1 = -\frac{x}{x+(1-x)e^{i\theta}} \log \frac{x}{x+(1-x)e^{i\theta}} - \frac{(1-x)e^{i\theta}}{x+(1-x)e^{i\theta}} \log \frac{(1-x)e^{i\theta}}{x+(1-x)e^{i\theta}}$$

Near  $t = 0$ :  $S_t^1(t) \sim S_t^1(0) + \frac{d}{dt} S_t^1(0) t \equiv S_0$ ,

$$S_t^1(0) = -x \log x - (1-x) \log(1-x), \quad \frac{d}{dt} S_t^1(0) = -i \Delta E x(1-x) \log \frac{x}{1-x}$$

**Mutual pseudo-information:**  $I_t[1, 2] = S_t^1 + S_t^2 - S_t \sim 2S_0; \quad \text{Re} I_t > 0, \quad \text{Im} I_t \gtrless 0$

**3-qubits:**  $|I\rangle = c_{111}|111\rangle + c_{222}|222\rangle$ ,  $|F\rangle = c_{111}e^{-iE_{111}t}|111\rangle + c_{222}e^{-iE_{222}t}|222\rangle$   
 $\rho_t^{123} = \frac{|F\rangle\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(|F\rangle\langle I|)}, \quad \rho_t^1 = \text{Tr}_{23} \rho_t^{123} = \frac{1}{x+(1-x)e^{i\theta}} (x|1\rangle\langle 1| + (1-x)e^{i\theta}|2\rangle\langle 2|), \quad \rho_t^2 = \rho_t^3 = \rho_t^1,$   
 $\rho_t^{12} = \text{Tr}_3 \rho_t^{123} = \frac{1}{x+(1-x)e^{i\theta}} (x|11\rangle\langle 11| + (1-x)e^{i\theta}|22\rangle\langle 22|), \quad \rho_t^{23} = \rho_t^{13} = \rho_t^{12}$

**Tripartite pseudo-information:**  $I_3^t[1, 2, 3] = S_t^1 + S_t^2 + S_t^3 - S_t^{23} - S_t^{13} - S_t^{12} + S_t^{123} = 0$

**SSB:**  $SSB_1^t = S_t^{12} + S_t^{23} - S_t^{123} - S_t^2 = S_t^1; \quad SSB_2^t = S_t^{12} + S_t^{23} - S_t^1 - S_t^3 = 0$   
 $\text{Re} SSB_1^t > 0, \quad \text{Im} SSB_1^t \gtrless 0 \quad (x \neq \frac{1}{2})$

[Specific TFD states above; more general states?]

# “Time-Entanglement”, examples: 2-qubits etc

**2-state system:**  $H|k\rangle = E_k|k\rangle$ , ( $k = 1, 2$ ;  $\langle 1|2\rangle = 0$ );  $|k\rangle_F \equiv |k(t)\rangle = e^{-iE_k t}|k\rangle_P$ .

$$\rho_t = \frac{1}{1+e^{i\theta}}(|1\rangle\langle 1| + e^{i\theta}|2\rangle\langle 2|), \quad \theta = -(E_2 - E_1)t; \quad \text{2-spin analogy: } |1\rangle \equiv |++\rangle, \quad |2\rangle \equiv |--\rangle$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Tr}_B} \rho_t^A \rightarrow \text{entropy } S_A^\theta = -\text{tr}(\rho_t^A \log \rho_t^A) = -\frac{1}{1+e^{i\theta}} \log \frac{1}{1+e^{i\theta}} - \frac{1}{1+e^{-i\theta}} \log \frac{1}{1+e^{-i\theta}}$$

Real-valued, oscillating in time, periodicity  $\sim \frac{1}{\Delta E}$ ; unbounded at  $t = \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{\Delta E}$ ;  $\min S_A^\theta = \log 2$  at  $t = \frac{2n\pi}{\Delta E}$ .

**General 2-qubit Hamiltonian**  $H = E_{11}|11\rangle\langle 11| + E_{22}|22\rangle\langle 22| + E_{12}(|12\rangle\langle 12| + |21\rangle\langle 21|)$

$$\rho_t = \mathcal{N}_t \sum_{i,j} e^{-iE_{ij}t} |ij\rangle\langle ij| = \frac{(|11\rangle\langle 11| + e^{i\theta_1}|22\rangle\langle 22| + e^{i\theta_2}(|12\rangle\langle 12| + |21\rangle\langle 21|))}{1+e^{i\theta_1}+2e^{i\theta_2}} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} t=0, \frac{1}{4}\pi \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Tr}_2} \rho_t^A = \frac{1}{1+e^{i\theta_1}+2e^{i\theta_2}} \left( (1+e^{i\theta_2})|1\rangle\langle 1| + (e^{i\theta_1}+e^{i\theta_2})|2\rangle\langle 2| \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \theta_1 = -(E_{22}-E_{11})t, \\ \theta_2 = -(E_{12}-E_{11})t. \end{array}$$

Generically complex-valued von Neumann entropy. (mixed EE, imaginary temp  $\beta = it$ )

$\frac{\rho_t^{|I\rangle}\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(\rho_t^{|I\rangle}\langle I|)}$ : Projection onto Thermofield-double initial states  $|I\rangle = \sum_{i,j} c_{ij}|ij\rangle$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Tr}_2} \rho_t^{|I\rangle,A} = \frac{1}{|c_{11}|^2 + |c_{22}|^2 e^{i\theta}} \left( |c_{11}|^2 |1\rangle\langle 1| + |c_{22}|^2 e^{i\theta} |2\rangle\langle 2| \right) \quad [\theta = -(E_{22} - E_{11})t]$$

$\equiv$  reduced transition matrix for  $|I\rangle$  and  $|F\rangle = \sum c_{ii} e^{-iE_{ii}t} |ii\rangle$  ( $\rightarrow$  pseudo-entropy).

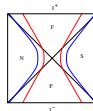
Max. entangled (Bell-pair) states  $|c_{11}|^2 = |c_{22}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow S_A^\theta$  (2-state above).  $\min S_A^\theta = \log 2 = \text{EE}(|I\rangle)$ .

# Future-past surfaces, f-p “entanglement”

$dS$  future-past surfaces connecting  $I^+$  to  $I^-$ .

(Hartman-Maldacena (AdS bh) rotated)

Suggests future-past entanglement (betw  $I^\pm$ ).



Recall eternal AdS bh dual to  $CFT_L \times CFT_R$  in TFD state (Maldacena)

Speculation: (Lorentzian)  $dS_4$  dual to  $CFT_F \times CFT_P$  in thermofield-double entangled state  $|\psi_{fp}^{tfd}\rangle = \sum \psi_{i_n^F, i_n^P}^{i_n^F, i_n^P} |i_n^F\rangle |i_n^P\rangle$  ?

[KN '17; also

Arias,Diaz,Sundell,'19]

Tracing fp-dm over past copy gives mixed state at  $I^+$ .

2 copies of future-past entangled states & density matrices: positive entropy  $EE > 0$ .

$|\psi_{fp}\rangle \rightarrow$  f-p density matrix  $\rho_{fp} \equiv |\psi\rangle_{fp} \langle \psi|_{fp} \xrightarrow{Tr_P}$  positive structures.

Connectedness of fp-entangled states & timelike entanglement  $\leftrightarrow$  emergence of time?

van Raamsdonk: space emerges from entanglement.

Factorized fp-states  $|\psi_f^{(1)}\rangle |\psi_P^{(2)}\rangle$ :  $\text{Tr}_P \rho_{fp} \rightarrow$  pure.

Entangled fp-states: reduced transition matrix  $\equiv$  time evolution operator.

$[\mathcal{U}(t) = \text{Tr}_2(|\psi_{fp}\rangle \langle \psi_I|)]$  Time evol'n  $\equiv$  f-p EE. Timelike ER=EPR?