

de Sitter, extremal surfaces and time entanglement

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- de Sitter space, dS/CFT and de Sitter entropy
- dS extremal surfaces: future-past, no-boundary.
- Time-entanglement (EE, timelike separations) and Pseudo-entropy
- dS surfaces: analytic cont'ns, subregion duality, entropy relns, Lewkowycz-Maldacena

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Holography and asymptotics

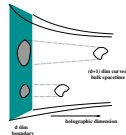
25+ yrs since AdS/CFT '97 Maldacena; '98 Gubser, Klebanov, Polyakov; Witten.

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.



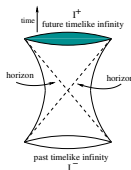
$\Lambda = 0$: flat space $\rightarrow$ null infinity $\rightarrow$ S-matrix, symmetries...

$\Lambda > 0$: de Sitter space

Boundary at future/past timelike infinity $\mathcal{I}^\pm$.

Dual $\rightarrow$ Euclidean CFT ... Time emergent.

[note: gravity dual of ordinary Euclidean CFT $\rightarrow$ Euclidean AdS]



Cosmology, holography, entanglement ...

Time-dependence and cosmology in string theory and holography.
Might regard de Sitter as toy model for cosmology.

dS very different from AdS : a natural boundary in far future/past.

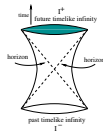
de Sitter space, holography with future boundary $\rightarrow dS/CFT$.

Many questions remain with spacelike holographic boundary ($\perp$ time).

de Sitter entropy = area of cosmological horizon (Gibbons,Hawking).

de Sitter entropy as some sort of (holographic) entanglement?

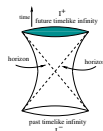
Generalizations of Ryu-Takayanagi?



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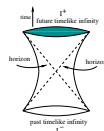
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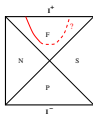
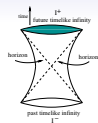
Energy-momentum $\langle TT \rangle$ 2-pt fn $\rightarrow c_3 \sim -\frac{R_{dS}^2}{G_4} < 0$, ghost-CFT.

Anninos, Hartman, Strominger: higher-spin dS_4 dual to $Sp(N)$ ghost $CFT_3, \dots$

[In general $\Psi = \Psi[g^3]$, final 3-metric is g^3 ; sum over final boundary condns for bulk vevs.]

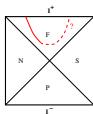
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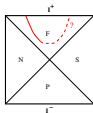
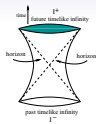
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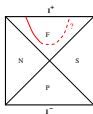
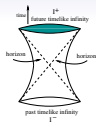
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Areas of these surfaces: new object $\rightarrow$ “Time entanglement”. [time evol’n op, EE]

Entanglement-like structures with timelike separations $\Leftrightarrow$ **Pseudo-entropy**

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

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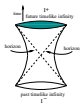
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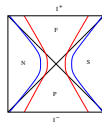
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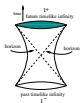
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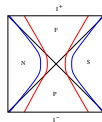
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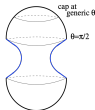
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$$ds_{global}^2|_{\theta_d = \text{const}} = -d\tau^2 + l^2 \cosh^2 \frac{\tau}{l} d\Omega_{d-1}^2 \equiv ds_{static}^2|_{t = \text{const}} \quad [r = l \cosh \frac{\tau}{l}]$$

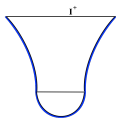
f-p surfaces connecting θ -caps at $I^\pm$, wrapping S^{d-2} . IR area $-i \frac{\pi l^2}{G_4} \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ [dS_4]

[$t =$ Killing time in AdS BH analogy before rotating to dS ; also Killing time in static patch.]

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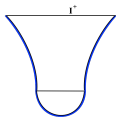
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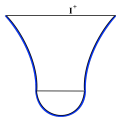


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$$\text{IR bottom surface: } ds^2 = l^2 d\tau_E^2 + l^2 \cos^2 \tau_E (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\Omega_{d-2}^2) \Big|_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{l^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} V_{S^{d-2}} \int_0^{\pi/2} d\tau_E (\cos \tau_E)^{d-2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^{d-1} V_{S^{d-1}}}{4G_{d+1}}$$

Precisely **half dS entropy**: emerges differently from area of cosmological horizon (static patch observers). [One hemisphere direction here is Euclidean continuation of time in future universe]

$$S_{dS_4} = -i \frac{\pi l^2}{4G_4} \frac{l}{T_c} + \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4}. \quad \text{Similarities with Wavefunction } \Psi_{dS} = e^{iS_{cl}}.$$

- **Half dS entropy** also emerges for no-bndry static patch $t = \text{const}$ surfaces.

dS extremal surfaces $\rightarrow$ “Time-Entanglement”

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Note: timelike geodesic length has overall $-i$ relative to spacelike geodesic length.

We call this timelike length as “time” rather than “ $-i$ ·space”.

These extremal surface areas with timelike components $\equiv$ new object,

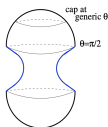
“time entanglement” or pseudo-entropy. [entanglement-like structures, timelike separations]

Time-entanglement/Pseudo-entropy in QM [$\mathcal{T}_{F|I}^A = \text{Tr}_B \left(\frac{|F\rangle\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(|F\rangle\langle I|)} \right)$] — later.

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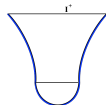
Areas: $S_{fp} = -2iS_0 I[\tau_{cF}, \tau_*]$; $S_{nb} = -iS_0 I[\tau_{cF}, \tau_*] + \frac{S_0}{2}$ [I = 'reduced' time integral].



IR limit

$$S_{fp} = S_{nb} - S_{nb}^*, \quad \text{Re}(S_{nb}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot dS \text{ entropy.}$$

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



$S_{nb} \equiv$ time entanglement entropy in one copy $\Psi_{dS} = Z_{CFT}$.

dS extremal surfaces at I^+ & areas $\equiv$ space-time rotations from AdS .

e.g. dS future-past surfaces $\equiv$ rotated Hartman-Maldacena surfaces (AdS BH).



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[overall $-i \equiv$ space $\leftrightarrow$ time rotation; $(\dots) =$ EE for timelike interval, AdS .]

dS_3 , 2-dim CFT, timelike intervals

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Ordinary unitary 2-dim CFTs: EE is $S = \frac{c}{6} \log \frac{\Delta^2}{\epsilon^2} = \frac{c}{6} \log \frac{-(\Delta t)^2 + (\Delta x)^2}{\epsilon^2}$.

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

Entirely timelike interval, width Δt so $\Delta^2 < 0$: $S = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\Delta t}{\epsilon} + \frac{c}{6}(\pi)$.

[Usual replica formulation in Euclidean CFT: pick interval $\Delta x \equiv [u, v]$ on Eucl time slice $\tau_E = \text{const}$
 $\rightarrow n$ replicas glued at interval endpts $\rightarrow \text{Tr} \rho_A^n \rightarrow$ twist op 2-pt fn $\rightarrow S_A = -\lim_{n \rightarrow 1} \partial_n \text{Tr} \rho_A^n$.
Timelike interval $\Delta t \equiv [u_t, v_t]$ on Eucl time slice $x = \text{const}$: continue to Lorentzian time rotating
 (u_t, v_t) , to $(-iu_t, -iv_t)$ so $\Delta^2 = -(v_t - u_t)^2 = -(\Delta t)^2$.]

[See also studies of quantum extremal surfaces for dS Poincare: bulk $c > 0$ matter entropy with
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“Time-Entanglement”/Pseudo-entropy: QM entanglement with timelike separations

- (i) time-evolution operator as generalized density operator $\rightarrow$ partial trace
 $\rightarrow$ RTE op $\rightarrow$ complex von Neumann entropy ... Pseudo-entropy.
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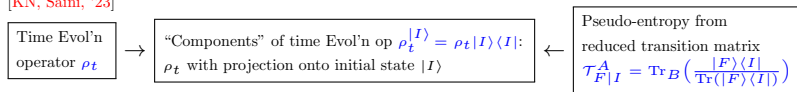
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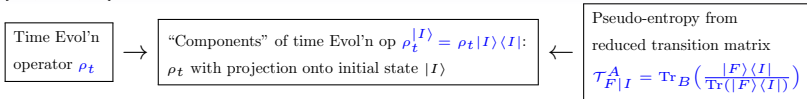
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Bipartite system with Hamiltonian eigenstates $|i, i'\rangle$ and energies $E_{i, i'}$.

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

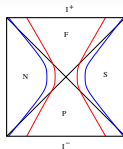
[Also 2-qutrits, qubit chains, uncoupled & coupled oscillators, CFT₂ ...; time-dep intns $\rightarrow$ no imag temp cont'n.]

dS future-past surfaces, time entanglement

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

(akin to [Hartman-Maldacena](#) surfaces (AdS bh) rotated)

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



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

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

Tracing over past copy gives mixed state at I^+ .

KN '17; see also [Arias,Diaz,Sundell,'19](#)

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These future-past TFD states give entirely positive structures (also ghost CFTs ) .

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

[van Raamsdonk](#): space emerges from entanglement. For factorized future-past states, $\text{Tr}_P \rightarrow$ pure.

f-p TFD states: reduced transition matrix $\equiv$ time evolution operator; time evol'n $\equiv$ f-p EE. [Timelike ER=EPR](#)

“Time-Entanglement”: future-past EE



dS extremal surfaces at I^+ & areas $\equiv$ space-time rotations from AdS .

e.g. dS future-past surfaces $\leftrightarrow$ rotated Hartman-Maldacena surfaces (AdS bh).

Recall f-p surfaces suggest future-past entanglement $|\psi\rangle_{fP} = \sum \psi^{i_n^F, i_n^P} |i_n\rangle_F |i_n\rangle_P$.

f-p density matrix $|\psi\rangle_{fP} \langle\psi|_{fP} \xrightarrow{Tr_P}$ red. d.m., nontrivial EE.

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Now imagine 2-spin analogy with $|1\rangle = |+\rangle$, $|2\rangle = |-\rangle$: partial trace over second component $\rightarrow Tr_2 \rho_{fP} = \frac{1}{2} |+\rangle_F \langle +|_F + \frac{1}{2} |-\rangle_F \langle -|_F \rightarrow$ positive entropy $\log 2$.

[Similar positive structures with ghost-spins]

Future-past TFD state with timelike separation quite different in principle from usual TFD. Positive structures in f-p d.m. despite timelike separation.

de Sitter extremal surfaces,
analytic continuations, space-time rotations,
subregion duality, entropy relns, Lewkowycz-Maldacena

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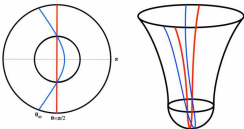
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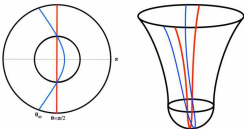
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IR: max subregion

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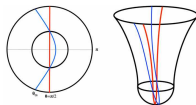
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(blue: generic θ_∞)

$$[dS_4: \frac{\pi L^2}{2G_4} \left(\frac{R_c}{L} - 1\right) \rightarrow -i \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \frac{R_c}{l} + \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4}] \quad [dS_3: \frac{2L}{4G_3} \log \frac{R_c}{L} \rightarrow -i \frac{l}{2G_3} \log \frac{R_c}{l} + \frac{\pi l}{4G_3}]$$

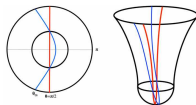
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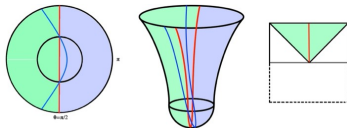


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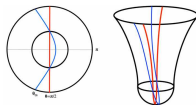
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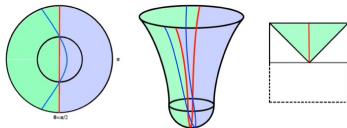
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dS surfaces, subregion duality, geometrically

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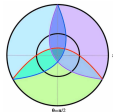


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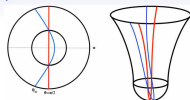


[Note that $t = \text{const}$ slice geometric subregion duality is somewhat different from equatorial plane dS surfaces.]

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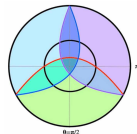


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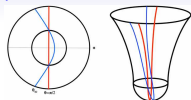
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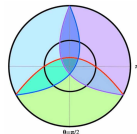


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dS area/entropy relations special (relative to qubit system pseudo-entropies).

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](#).

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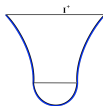
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[Specific TFD states above; more general states?]

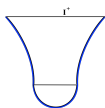
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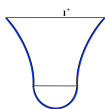
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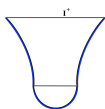
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Intrinsic object = $\Psi_{dS} \Rightarrow$ non-Hermitian. Complex areas expected
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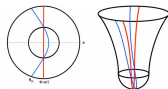
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Semiclassically $Z_n = Z[\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_n] \sim e^{-I_n}$ so entropy via replica is

$$\begin{aligned} S &= - \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} n \partial_n (\log Z_n - n \log Z_1) = \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} (1 - n \partial_n) \log Z_n = - \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} (1 - n \partial_n) I_n \\ &= \frac{A}{4G} = \text{area of RT/HRT entangling surface.} \end{aligned}$$

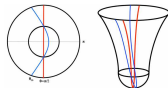
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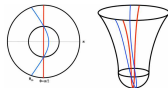
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Cosmic brane not spacelike $\leftrightarrow$ Euclidean + Lorentzian (timelike) no-bndry dS extremal surface. Complex area (pure imaginary top timelike part) reasonable.

LM replica formulation: entropy = area of codim-2 brane created from “nothing”.

Amplitude for this process divergent if Lorentzian part (which goes all the way to late times) were real. Here timelike part = pure phase cancels in probability (finite: bounded real part from hemisphere, set by dS entropy).

Conclusions, questions

- Future boundary: no $I^+ \rightarrow I^+$ turning point. Surfaces do not return to I^+ .

(a) Future-past surfaces, end at past boundary I^- . Pure imaginary area.

Suggest a $CFT_F \times CFT_P$ dual in f-p TFD-like entangled state.

(b) No-boundary surfaces, top timelike f-p joined with Eucl surface in bottom hemisphere. Real finite part of area is half dS entropy.



codim-2 surfaces $\leftrightarrow$
antipodal metaobservers?

$\rightarrow$ *Pseudo-entropy*. AdS , analytic cont'n $\equiv$ space $\leftrightarrow$ time rotations.

pseudo-entanglement wedge, entropy inequalities, Lewkowycz-Maldacena.

Various new features. Deeper understanding? More generally, extremal surfaces, cosmology, past boundary condns?

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Time-entanglement/Pseudo-entropy: entanglement-like structures, timelike separations:

- reduced time evolution operator, mixed state EE + imaginary temperature
 $\leftrightarrow$ reduced transition amplitudes, *pseudo-entropy*, ...
- positivity in future-past entangled states & density matrices.

Holographic entanglement entropy

Entanglement entropy: entropy of reduced density matrix of subsystem.

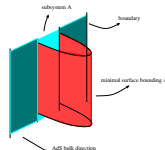
EE for spatial subsystem A, $S_A = -\text{tr} \rho_A \log \rho_A$, with partial trace $\rho_A = \text{tr}_B \rho$.

Ryu-Takayanagi: $EE = \frac{A_{\text{min.surf.}}}{4G}$

[$\sim$ black hole entropy] Area of codim-2 minimal surface in gravity dual.

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

Operationally: Const time slice, boundary subsystem $\rightarrow$ bulk slice, codim-2 extremal surface.



Ex.: CFT_d ground state = empty AdS_{d+1}, $ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{r^2} (dr^2 - dt^2 + dx_i^2)$. Strip, width $\Delta x = l$, infinitely long.

Bulk surface $x(r)$. Turning point r_* . $S_A = \frac{V_{d-2} R^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} \int \frac{dr}{r^{d-1}} \sqrt{1 + (\partial_r x)^2} \rightarrow \text{extremize} \rightarrow$

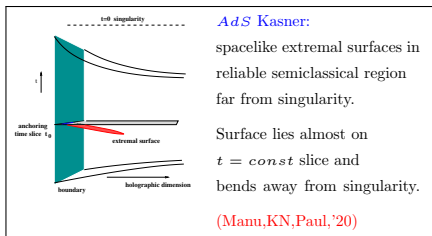
$$(\partial_r x)^2 = \frac{(r/r_*)^{2d-2}}{1 - (r/r_*)^{2d-2}}, \quad \frac{l}{2} = \int_0^{r_*} dr \partial_r x.$$

$$S_A = \frac{V_{d-2} R^{d-1}}{4G_{d+1}} \int_{\epsilon}^{r_*} \frac{dr}{r^{d-1}} \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 - (r/r_*)^{2d-2}}}$$

$$[2d] \quad S_A = \frac{R}{2G_3} \log \frac{l}{\epsilon}, \quad \frac{3R}{2G_3} = c.$$

CFT thermal state (AdS black brane): minimal surface

wraps horizon. $S^{\text{fin}} \sim \frac{R^{d-1}}{G_{d+1}} T^{d-1} V_{d-2} l$



de Sitter future-past surfaces

Entirely timelike surface so overall $-i$ in area $S \rightarrow S = -i \frac{l^{d-1} V_{S^{d-2}}}{4G_{d+1}} \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{d-1}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{f} - f(w')^2}$

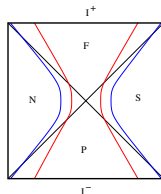
Boundary Eucl time slice: $S^{d-2} \in S^{d-1}$; codim-2 surfaces wrap S^{d-2} [all S^{d-1} equatorial planes equivalent]

$$\text{Extremize} \rightarrow \dot{w}^2 \equiv (1 - \tau^2)^2 (w')^2 = \frac{B^2 \tau^{2d-2}}{1 - \tau^2 + B^2 \tau^{2d-2}}$$

$$B=\text{const}, \quad S = -i \frac{2l^{d-1} V_{S^{d-2}}}{4G_{d+1}} \int_{\epsilon}^{\tau_*} \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{d-1}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \tau^2 + B^2 \tau^{2d-2}}}$$

Future-past surfaces stretching from I^+ to I^-

[KN'17]



Hartman-Maldacena surfaces (AdS bh) rotated.

[real turning point τ_* at $|w| \rightarrow \infty$: $1 - \tau_*^2 + B^2 \tau_*^{2d-2} = 0$]

Limiting surface as $\Delta w \rightarrow \infty$, whole space at $I^\pm$ (dS_4 : $B \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$; $\tau_* \rightarrow \sqrt{2}$.)

Area law divergence $S^{div} \sim -i \frac{\pi l^2}{G_4} \frac{1}{\epsilon_c}$; Finite part $S^{fin} \sim -i \frac{\pi l^2}{G_4} \Delta w$

Scaling: de Sitter entropy $\rightarrow$ akin to number of degrees of freedom in dual CFT.

Suggest TFD-like entangled dual of two CFT copies at $I^\pm$. [AdS_4 BH RT-EE $\sim \frac{R^2}{G_4} (\frac{V}{\epsilon} + \# T^2 V l)$]



Vanishing mutual information, SSB saturated, “entanglement wedge”, subregion duality, ...

$A \equiv (w_1, w_2)$, $B \equiv (w_3, w_4) \rightarrow S[A \cup B] = S[w_1] + S[w_2] + S[w_3] + S[w_4] = S[A] + S[B]$

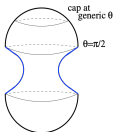
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de Sitter future-past surfaces

[Future-past surfaces: entirely timelike surface, overall $-i$ in area.]

dS global: sphere foliations. $ds_{d+1}^2 = -d\tau^2 + l^2 \cosh^2 \frac{\tau}{l} d\Omega_d^2$.

Bndry Eucl time: any S^d equatorial plane. Cap-like subregion ($I^\pm$): $\theta = \text{const}$ latitude on S^{d-1} .



Future-past surfaces stretching betw caps at $I^\pm$, wrapping S^{d-2} .

$$S = -i \frac{2l^{d-2} V_{S^{d-2}}}{4G_{d+1}} \int d\tau (\cosh \tau)^{d-2} (\sin \theta)^{d-2} \sqrt{1 - \cosh^2 \tau (\partial_\tau \theta)^2}$$

$$\text{IR} \rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}: S = -i \frac{\pi l^2}{G_4} \int_0^{\tau_c/l} d\tau \cosh \tau \sim -i \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \frac{l}{T_c}. \quad [dS_4]$$

Area law divergence, no finite part. [cutoff $T_c = l e^{-\tau_c/l} \sim 0$ near $\tau_c \rightarrow \infty$]

$$ds_{global}^2|_{\theta_d=\text{const}} = -d\tau^2 + l^2 \cosh^2 \frac{\tau}{l} d\Omega_{d-1}^2 \equiv ds_{static}^2|_{t=\text{const}} \quad [r = l \cosh \frac{\tau}{l}]$$

dS static: Bndry Eucl time slice: $t = \text{const}$ slice [S^{d-1} eq. planes earlier]

[t is Killing time in AdS BH analogy before rotating to dS ; also Killing time t in static patch.]

Cap-like subregion ($I^\pm$): $\theta = \text{const}$ latitude on S^{d-1} . [generic θ difficult to analyse explicitly.]

$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow$ simplifications $\rightarrow$ extremal future-past surface $\rightarrow$ Area $S \xrightarrow{dS_4} -i \frac{\pi l^2}{G_4} \frac{1}{\epsilon}$

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Entanglement in ghost theories: “ghost-spins”

KN; Jatkar,KN; Jatkar,Kolekar,KN

- Replica arguments (Calabrese, Cardy) can be generalized to $c = -2$ ghost CFTs:
twist operator 2-pt fn $\rightarrow c < 0 \Rightarrow S < 0$. $[|\downarrow\rangle = |0\rangle; \langle -Q|T(z)|0\rangle = 0]$

“Ghost-spin” $\rightarrow$ 2-state spin variable with indefinite norm.

$$\langle \uparrow | \downarrow \rangle = \langle \downarrow | \uparrow \rangle = 1, \quad \langle \uparrow | \uparrow \rangle = \langle \downarrow | \downarrow \rangle = 0$$

[ordinary spin:

$$\langle \uparrow | \uparrow \rangle = 1 = \langle \downarrow | \downarrow \rangle]$$

$$|\pm\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle \pm |\downarrow\rangle); \quad \langle \pm | \pm \rangle = \gamma_{\pm\pm} = \pm 1, \quad \langle + | - \rangle = \langle - | + \rangle = 0$$

Infinite ghost-spin chains, $\langle nn \rangle$ -ints $\rightarrow$ continuum limit $\rightarrow bc$ -ghost CFT.

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- Two ghost-spins: $|\psi\rangle = \sum \psi^{ij} |i\rangle |j\rangle \rightarrow \rho = |\psi\rangle \langle \psi| \rightarrow$ partial trace
 $\rightarrow$ RDM for remaining ghost-spin $\rightarrow$ von Neumann entropy.

$$\langle \psi | \psi \rangle = \gamma_{ik} \gamma_{jl} \psi^{ij} \psi^{kl*} = |\psi^{++}|^2 + |\psi^{--}|^2 - |\psi^{+-}|^2 - |\psi^{-+}|^2 = \pm 1$$

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

In general: (i) +ve norm $|\psi\rangle \nrightarrow$ +ve RDM, EE. (ii) new entanglement patterns.

e.g. $(\rho_A)_i^k e_k = \lambda e_i$ i.e. $(\rho_A)^{ij} e_j = \gamma^{ij} \lambda e_j$. -ve norm $\Rightarrow$ eigenvalues λ in general complex.

- Entangle identical ghost-spins from each copy $\rightarrow$ +ve norm, RDM, EE

$$|\psi\rangle = \psi^{++} |+\rangle |+\rangle + \psi^{--} |-\rangle |-\rangle \Rightarrow \langle \psi | \psi \rangle > 0 \rightarrow \text{correlated ghost-spins}$$

Also true for 2 copies of ghost-spin ensembles: $|\psi\rangle = \sum_{|\sigma_n\rangle} \psi^{\sigma_n, \sigma_n} |\sigma_n\rangle |\sigma_n\rangle, \quad \langle \psi | \psi \rangle > 0$

Quantum extremal surfaces

Exciting recent developments in black hole information paradox

Penington; Almheiri, Engelhardt, Marolf, Maxfield; Almheiri, Mahajan, Maldacena, Zhao; ...

New insights from generalized entropy and quantum extremal surfaces.

2-dim CFT techniques → adapt Calabrese, Cardy formula for subleading bulk matter contribution to entanglement entropy.

$$S_{gen} = S_{cl} + S_{bulk} = \frac{\phi}{4G_2} + \frac{c}{12} \log(\Delta^2 e^f|_{(t,r)}) + \dots \quad (\Delta^2 = (\Delta r)^2 - (\Delta t)^2)$$

→ extremize → QES. (retaining only terms relevant for extremization)

- S_{gen} pertains to 2-dim theory from dim. red'n of higher dim space.
- subsystems here are full space (higher dim transverse space compactified):
QES is point in 2d space → IR limit of higher dim RT/HRT.
- $1 \ll c \ll \frac{1}{G}$: classical area term S_{cl} dominant but S_{bulk} appreciable.
- If S_{bulk} overpowers S_{cl} , Bekenstein bound violated → islands.

Hartman, Jiang, Shagoularian

Quantum extremal surfaces

Manu,KN,Paul
[2d redux, Bhattacharya,KN,Paul]

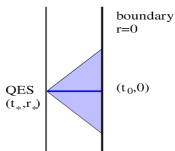
[holographic boundary observer at $(t_0, 0)$]

$$S_{gen} = \frac{\phi}{4G_2} + \frac{c}{12} \log(\Delta^2 e^f|_{(t,r)}) + \dots \quad (\Delta^2 = r^2 - (t - t_0)^2)$$

Time-independent examples: everything is on const time slice ($t = t_0$ above).

$$AdS_{d_i+2} \text{ reduction (earlier): } \phi = \frac{R^{d_i}}{r^{d_i}}, \quad ds^2 = \frac{R^{d_i+1}}{r^{d_i+1}} (-dt^2 + dr^2)$$

$$S_{gen} = \frac{\phi_r}{4G} \frac{R^{d_i}}{r^{d_i}} + \frac{c}{12} \log\left(\frac{r^2/\epsilon_{UV}^2}{(r/R)^{d_i+1}}\right) \Rightarrow \partial_r S_{gen} = -\frac{\phi_r}{4G} \frac{d_i R^{d_i}}{r^{d_i+1}} - \frac{c}{6} \left(\frac{d_i-1}{2}\right) \frac{1}{r} = 0$$



Both terms negative: $c > 0$ and $d_i > 1$

$\Rightarrow r_* \rightarrow \infty \rightarrow$ entire Poincare wedge

$\equiv$ usual AdS_{d_i+2} entanglement wedge. (maximin)

$[S^{O.S.} \sim 0: AdS \text{ ground state}]$

$$\text{Can be recast as } S_{gen} \sim \frac{\phi}{4G} + \frac{c}{12} \frac{d_i-1}{d_i} \log \phi$$

$\Rightarrow S_{bulk}$ is subleading to classical area [ϕ not too small]

$\rightarrow$ Bekenstein bound not violated $\rightarrow$ no islands.

Quantum extremal surfaces: de Sitter (Poincare)

Goswami,KN,Saini

$$dS_{d_i+2}: ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{\tau^2}(-d\tau^2 + dx^2 + dy_i^2) \rightarrow \phi = \frac{R^{d_i}}{(-\tau)^{d_i}}, \quad ds^2 = \frac{R^{d_i+1}}{(-\tau)^{d_i+1}}(-d\tau^2 + dx^2)$$

$$\text{Generalized entropy: } S_{gen} = \frac{\phi r}{4G} \frac{R^{d_i}}{(-\tau)^{d_i}} + \frac{c}{8} \log \left(\Delta^2 \frac{R^{(d_i+1)/2}}{(-\tau)^{(d_i+1)/2}} \right), \quad \Delta^2 = (\Delta x)^2 - (\tau - \tau_0)^2$$

$$\text{Extremization: } \left[\frac{c}{3} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta^2} = 0, \quad \frac{d_i \phi r}{4G} \frac{R^{d_i}}{(-\tau)^{d_i+1}} + \frac{c}{12} \frac{d_i+1}{(-\tau)} - \frac{c}{3} \frac{\tau - \tau_0}{\Delta^2} = 0 \right]$$

- Timelike-separated QES: ($d_i = 1 \leftrightarrow dS_2$, [Chen, Gorbenko, Maldacena](#))

$$\Delta x = 0, \quad \Delta^2 = -(\tau - \tau_0)^2; \quad \frac{d_i \phi r}{4G} \frac{R^{d_i}}{(-\tau)^{d_i+1}} + \frac{c}{12} \frac{d_i+1}{(-\tau)} + \frac{c}{3} \frac{1}{\tau - \tau_0} = 0$$

$$\text{Late-time observer } \tau_0 \sim 0: \quad \Delta x = 0, \quad \tau_* = -R \left(\frac{d_i}{3-d_i} \frac{3\phi r}{Gc} \right)^{1/d_i}$$

Timelike-separated $\Rightarrow \Delta^2 < 0 \rightarrow$ generalized entropy acquires imaginary part.

- Spacelike-separated QES: exist in certain regimes with spatial regulator.

$$\Delta^2 \sim R_c^2, \quad \frac{d_i \phi r}{4G} \frac{R^{d_i}}{(-\tau)^{d_i+1}} + \frac{c}{12} \frac{d_i+1}{(-\tau)} \sim \frac{c}{3} \frac{\tau - \tau_0}{R_c^2}.$$

* $R_c \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \tau \rightarrow -\infty$. * Late-times $\rightarrow$ no real solution.

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$$\text{FRW, scalar source } p = w\rho: ds^2 = -dt^2 + a(t)^2 dx_i^2 \rightarrow \phi = a^{d_i}, \quad ds^2 = a^{d_i+1}(-d\tau^2 + dx^2)$$