

Chapter 3: Holographic Duality

$$\text{quantum gravity in AdS}_{d+1} = \text{CFT}_d$$

Equivalence between two quantum systems

→ guess the dictionary

⇒ verify

⇒ make more guesses

• parameters, symmetries should match

e.g. $U(1)$ gauge $\leftrightarrow U(1)$ global

3.1 General aspects

3.1.1 IR/UV connection

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (-dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + dz^2) \quad (*)$$

(*) is invariant under $(t, \vec{x}) \rightarrow \lambda(t, \vec{x})$
 $z \rightarrow \lambda z$

⇒ extra dimension \leftrightarrow scale

Note: (t, x) defined in boundary units

$$d\tau = \frac{R}{z} dt \quad dl = \frac{R}{z} dx$$

→ For some process of local energy E_{loc} and local length d_{loc} at z

$$d_{YM} = \frac{z}{R} d_{loc}, \quad E_{YM} = \frac{R}{z} E_{loc}$$

⇒ For the same process at different z :

(boundary) $z \rightarrow 0$: $E_{YM} \rightarrow \infty$, $d_{YM} \rightarrow 0$ (UV process)

$z \rightarrow \infty$: $E_{YM} \rightarrow 0$, $d_{YM} \rightarrow \infty$ (IR process)

⇒ typical bulk process, $E_{loc} \sim 1/R$

$$\Rightarrow E_{YM} \sim 1/z$$

IR-UV connection

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From before:

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (-dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + dz^2)$$

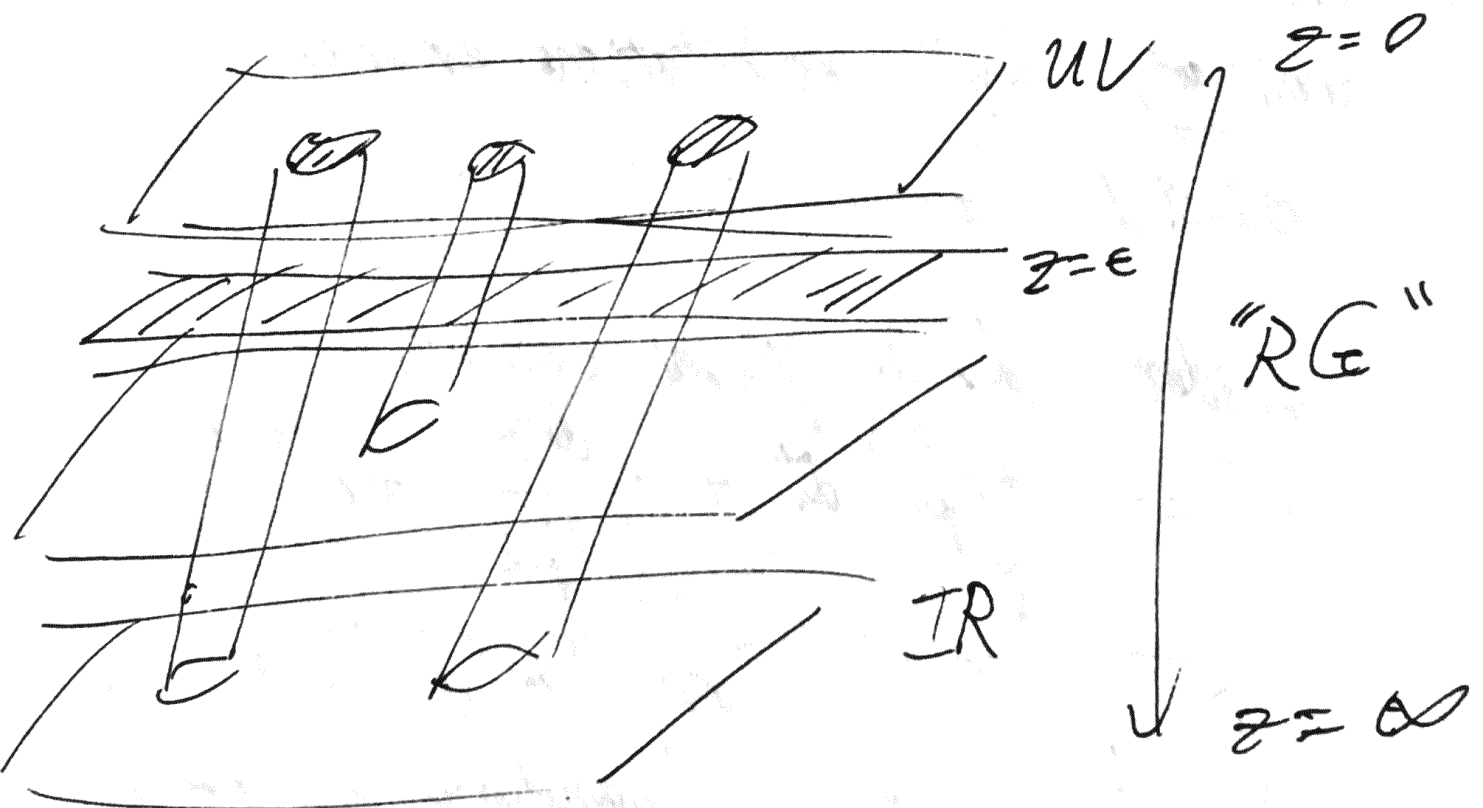
$$E_{YM} = \frac{R}{z} E_{loc}$$

$$d_{YM} = \frac{z}{R} d_{loc}$$

$$E_{YM} \propto \frac{1}{z}$$

$$d_{YM} \propto z$$

~~$E_{YM} \propto \frac{1}{z}$~~ ~~$d_{YM} \propto z$~~
 $E_{loc} \sim 1/R, d_{loc} \sim R$



radial direction: geometrization of "scale"

IR-UV connection

Remarks:

1) $z \rightarrow 0$

$E_{\text{YM}} \rightarrow \infty$
 $d_{\text{YM}} \rightarrow 0$

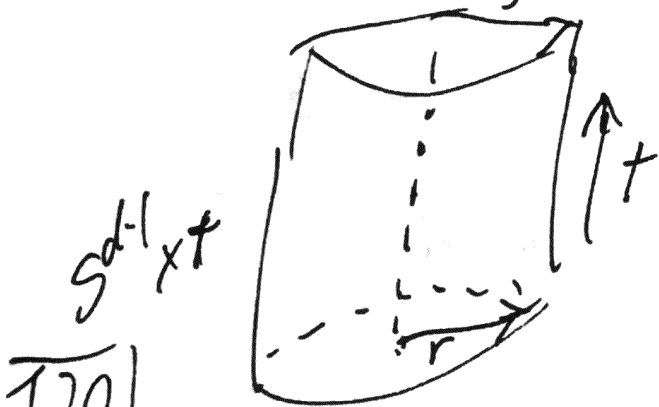
put an IR-cutoff on gravity side at $z = \epsilon$
 \Rightarrow UV cutoff $\propto 1/\epsilon$ (energy)
distance $\propto \epsilon$

Check: basic idea of holographic principle
(pset)

2) In a CFT on $R^{3,1}$ there exist
arbitrarily low excitations energies.
reflected in $z \rightarrow \infty$ on the gravity side

3) Consider AdS in global coordinates:
 $ds^2 = - \underbrace{\left(1 + \frac{r^2}{R^2}\right)}_f dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 + \frac{r^2}{R^2}} + r^2 d\Omega_{d-1}^2$

on field theory side
boundary sphere has
radius R



$$E_{\text{ym}} \sim 1/R \quad (\text{energy gap})$$

$$E_{\text{ym}} = f^{1/2} E_{\text{loc}} \\ = \left(1 + \frac{r^2}{R^2}\right)^{1/2} E_{\text{loc}}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \infty & \text{as } r \rightarrow \infty \\ E_{\text{loc}} \sim 1/R & \text{as } r \rightarrow 0 \end{cases}$$

4) This works in more general asymptotic AdS metric

$$ds^2 = -f(r) dt^2 + g(r) dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_{d-1}^2$$

away from boundary f decreases

$\Rightarrow E_{\text{ym}}$ decreases

3.1.2 Matching of the spectrum

$$\text{QG in AdS}_{d+1} = \text{CFT}_d$$

same Hilbert space

physical states



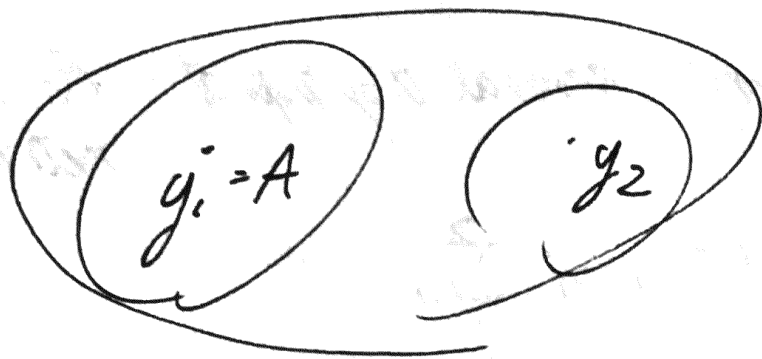
physical states

Classical gravity \rightarrow Classical solutions (states)

geometry \Rightarrow state

given a geometry: quantize matter

fields \Rightarrow a subset of quantum states on gravity side



boundary

$|0\rangle$
lowly excited states



gravity
pure AdS matter
in vacuum



lowly excited

group theory

boundary

gravity

$$\mathcal{O}(0) \longleftrightarrow \Phi(0)$$

conformal operators

$$\longleftrightarrow$$

bulk fields

scalar operators

$$\longleftrightarrow$$

scalar fields

\bar{J}_μ

$$\longleftrightarrow$$

A_μ

all quantum numbers of any symmetry should match
Let's use a simple scalar as an example
to see how this mapping works

Recall: in a matrix-type field theory, ~~key objects:~~

key objects: single-trace operators

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle \sim \mathcal{O}(1) \quad \langle \mathcal{O} \mathcal{O} \rangle \sim 1/N$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \mathcal{O} \mathcal{O} \rangle \sim 1/N^2$$

leading order in large N :

Gaussian Theory

on gravity side:

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{-g} [R - 2\Lambda + \mathcal{L}_{\text{matt}}]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{matt}} = -\frac{1}{2} (\partial\Phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \Phi^2 + \mathcal{O}(\Phi^3) + \dots$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \underbrace{g_{\mu\nu}^0}_{\text{pure AdS}} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}$$

pure
AdS

$$16\pi G_N = 2\kappa^2$$

$$\Phi = 0 + \kappa \varphi$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\partial\Phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \Phi^2 - \kappa \Phi^3 + \kappa^2 \Phi^4 + \dots \right. \\ \left. - (\partial h)^2 - \kappa h^3 + \kappa^2 h^4 \Phi^2 \right]$$

$$G_N \sim \frac{1}{N^2}, \quad \kappa \sim \frac{1}{N}$$

leading order in $1/N \Rightarrow$ quadratic theory
(standard)

\leadsto quantization of φ

com for φ

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \partial_\mu (\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \varphi) - m^2 \varphi = 0$$

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (-dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + dz^2)$$

$$\varphi(z, x^\mu) = \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} e^{ik \cdot x} \varphi(z, k)$$

$$z^{d+1} \partial_z (z^{1-d} \partial_z \varphi) - k^2 k^2 \varphi - m^2 R^2 \varphi = 0$$

$$k^2 = -\omega^2 + \vec{k}^2$$

$$k^\mu = (\omega, \vec{k})$$

consider $z \rightarrow 0$

$$\leadsto z^2 \partial_z^2 \varphi + (1-d) z \partial_z \varphi - m^2 R^2 \varphi = 0$$

let $\varphi \sim z^\alpha$

$$\alpha(\alpha-1) + (1-d)\alpha - m^2 R^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{d}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} + m^2 R^2}$$

$$\Delta \equiv \frac{d}{2} + \nu$$

$$\alpha_+ = \Delta$$

$$\alpha_- = d - \Delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(k, z) = \underline{A(k)} z^{\Delta} + \underline{B(k)} z^{d-\Delta}$$

as $z \rightarrow 0$ | 125

Remarks:

(1) Exponents are real
provided $m^2 R^2 \geq -\frac{d^2}{4}$ (*)

one can show: (a) a theory is well-defined
if (*) is satisfied

(b) if (*) is violated,
there exist exponentially
growing terms in time
 \Rightarrow instabilities

B.F. bound

contrast: in Mink

$$\partial^2 \varphi - m^2 \varphi = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega^2 = k^2 + m^2$$

$$\frac{m^2 < 0}{\Rightarrow \omega^2 < 0 \text{ for } k=0}$$

$\Rightarrow \omega$ pure imaginary

~~$|A|^2 = \frac{R^2}{2} g_{\mu\nu} A^\mu A^\nu$~~

In AdS, due to spacetime curvature,
the constant modes are not allowed
 \leadsto a field is forced to have some kinetic
energy, compensating for some negative m^2

(2) AdS has a boundary, and light rays
reach this boundary in finite time.
 \Rightarrow Energy can be exchanged at the boundary.
 \leadsto need to impose appropriate boundary
conditions.

Canonical quantization: expand Φ in a
complete set of normalizable
modes, satisfying appropriate
boundary conditions

Inner Product:
(Klein-Gordon)

$$(\Phi_1, \Phi_2) = -i \int_{\Sigma_t} dz d\vec{x} \sqrt{g} g^{tt} (\Phi_1^* \partial_t \Phi_2 - \Phi_2 \partial_t \Phi_1^*)$$

const. $\rightarrow \Sigma_t$
time slice

Can check: $(\mathcal{Q}_1, \mathcal{Q}_2)$ independent of t .

(this was done in problem set 2, problem 1)

$z^{\Delta} \rightarrow 0$ as $z \rightarrow 0$ is always normalizable

$$\Delta = \frac{d}{2} + \nu > 0$$

$z^{d-\Delta}$ is non-normalizable for $\nu \geq 1$
is normalizable for $0 \leq \nu < 1$

Boundary conditions:

$$\nu \geq 1: A = 0$$

$$0 \leq \nu < 1: A = 0$$

$$\text{or } B = 0$$

(or mixed)

"standard quantization"

"alternative quantization"

"normalizable" behavior specified by quantization.

(3) Normalizable modes: Used to build up Hilbert space in the bulk



States of the boundary theory

4) Non-normalizable modes are not part of the Hilbert space. If present, they should be considered/viewed as defining the background.

In standard quantization: $A \neq 0$

\leadsto A is boundary "value" of the field

If $A(x) = P(x) \Rightarrow S_{\text{boundary}}$ should contain a term: $\int d^d x P(x) \mathcal{O}(x)$

\Rightarrow non-normalizable modes determine the boundary theory itself

i.e. two solutions with the same non-normalizable modes describe different states of the same theory.

but two solutions with different ~~non-~~normalizable modes describe different theories

$$\int d^d x P(x) \mathcal{O}(x) \leftrightarrow \mathcal{P}(x) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^{\Delta-d} \mathcal{P}(z, x) (x)$$

(5) Relation (*) implies that Δ is the scaling dimension of \mathcal{O}

$$x \rightarrow x' = \lambda x$$

$$\mathcal{O}(x) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}'(x') = \lambda^{-\Delta} \mathcal{O}(x)$$

Δ : scaling dimension of \mathcal{O}

boundary scaling:

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = \lambda x^\mu$$

bulk isometry:

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = \lambda x^\mu$$

$$z \rightarrow z' = \lambda z$$

$$\mathcal{F}(z, x) \leftrightarrow \mathcal{O}(x)$$



$$\mathcal{F}'(z', x') \leftrightarrow \mathcal{O}'(x')$$

$$\int d^d x' \mathcal{F}'(x') \mathcal{O}'(x') = \int d^d x \mathcal{F}(x) \mathcal{O}(x)$$

\mathcal{F} : scalar

$$\mathcal{F}'(z', x') = \mathcal{F}(z, x)$$

$$\mathcal{F}'(x') = \lim_{z' \rightarrow 0} (z')^{\Delta-d} \mathcal{F}'(z', x')$$

$$= \lambda^{\Delta-d} \mathcal{F}(x)$$

Further, $\frac{d}{dx'} = \lambda^{-1} \frac{d}{dx}$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(x') = \lambda^{-\Delta} \mathcal{O}(x)$

For a scalar (standard quantization)

$$\Delta = \frac{d}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} + m^2 R^2}$$

(i) $m=0 \Leftrightarrow \Delta=d$ marginal operator

(ii) $m^2 < 0 \Leftrightarrow \Delta < d$ relevant operator

(iii) $m^2 > 0 \Leftrightarrow \Delta > d$ irrelevant operator

$$\int d^d x P(x) \mathcal{O}(x) \leftrightarrow z^{d-\Delta} \mathcal{P}(z) + \dots$$

$$UV \leftrightarrow z \rightarrow 0$$

(i) does not change const.

(ii) less and less important $\rightarrow 0$

(iii) more and more important $\rightarrow \infty$

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Before:

$$\varphi(x) \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{P}(z, x)$$

scalar field of m^2

$$z \rightarrow 0, \quad \mathcal{P}(z, x) = A(x) z^{d-\Delta} + B(x) z^\Delta$$

$$\Delta = \frac{d}{2} + \nu, \quad \nu = \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} + m^2 R^2}$$

normalizable modes \longleftrightarrow states

non-normalizable modes \longleftrightarrow action (theory)

standard: (A term non-normalizable)

$$A(x) \longleftrightarrow \int \varphi(x) \sigma(x) \quad (\varphi = A)$$

$$B(x) \longleftrightarrow \langle \sigma \rangle$$

$$\delta = \Delta$$

alternative quant: ($0 \leq \nu < 1$)

choose $B(x)$ term to be non-normalizable

$$B(x) \longleftrightarrow \int \varphi(x) \sigma \quad \varphi = B$$

$$A(x) \longleftrightarrow \langle \sigma \rangle, \quad \delta = d - \Delta$$

different CFTs $\{S\}$



different gravities with $\{\mathcal{I}\}$

Conserved currents:

- 1) $\underline{J^\mu}$ (global $U(1)$ internal symmetry) $\leftrightarrow A_\mu$ gauge field
 $\rightarrow Q = \int_{\Sigma} d^{d-1} x J^0 \Rightarrow [Q] = d-1$
- 2) $\underline{T^{\mu\nu}}$ $\rightarrow E = \int_{\Sigma} d^{d-1} T^{00} \sim [E] = 1 \Rightarrow [T] = d$
 $\leftrightarrow h_{\mu\nu}$ (metric perturbations)

(1) Suppose we deform the CFT

by $\int a_\mu(x) J^\mu(x) d^d x$ (*)

$$a_\mu \equiv A_\mu|_{\partial \text{AdS}}$$

since J^μ is conserved, (*) is invariant

under $A_\mu \rightarrow a_\mu(x) + \partial_\mu \Lambda(x)$

$\Rightarrow A_\mu$ should have some gauge transformation

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\Rightarrow Maxwell Field

conversely: Start on gravity side with:

$$-\frac{1}{4} \int d^d x \sqrt{-g} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \dots$$

$$A_m = (A_z, A_\mu)$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta = d-1$$

$$z \rightarrow 0 \quad A_\mu = a_\mu + b_\mu z^{d-2}$$

(2) Add $\int h_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu} d^d x$ to the boundary action

\Leftrightarrow deforming boundary metric $\eta_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + dz^2)$$

$$\xrightarrow{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{R^2}{z^2} \underbrace{\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu}_{\text{boundary metric}} \quad \cancel{ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2}}$$

so now:

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (g_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}) dx^\mu dx^\nu + dz^2$$

$$z \rightarrow 0$$

$\Rightarrow T_{\mu\nu}$ should correspond to bulk metric perturbations

Conversely:

Using linearized Einstein equations
and finding boundary behaviour:

$$g_{MN} = g_{MN}^{\text{AdS}} + h_{MN} \quad \text{and finding } h_{MN} \text{ near } z \rightarrow 0$$

$$h_{\mu\nu} = \frac{a_{\mu\nu}}{z^2} + b_{\mu\nu} z^{d-2} \quad \text{as } z \rightarrow 0$$

scaling argument gives $\delta = d$

More generally:

Any bulk field \mathcal{Q} with n indices

$$\mathcal{Q}(x, z) = A(x) z^{d-\Delta-n} + B(x) z^{\Delta-n}$$

$$\text{boundary source} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^a \mathcal{Q}(z, x)$$

$$a = \Delta + n - d$$

$\Delta = \text{dim of corresp. bulk operator}$

3.1.3 Euclidean Correlation Functions

Basic observables of a CFT:

correlation functions of local ops.

large- N : single-trace ops.

Recall: $\langle \sigma \sigma \rangle_c \sim \mathcal{O}(1) + \dots$

$\langle \sigma \sigma \sigma \rangle_c \sim \mathcal{O}(1/N) + \dots$

$\langle \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \dots \sigma_n \rangle_c \sim \mathcal{O}(N^{2-n}) + \dots$

leading behavior suggests a tree theory with coupling $1/N$.

convenient to consider Euclidean correlation functions

$$t = -i\tau$$

can consider generating functional:

$$Z_{\text{CFT}}[\varphi] \equiv \underbrace{(\text{order not mattering})}_{\rightarrow} \left(e^{\int d^4x \varphi(x) \sigma(x)} \right)_c \quad (*)$$

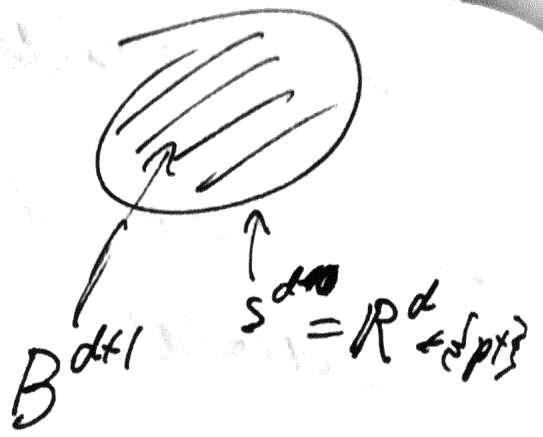
σ : collections of all single-trace ops

φ : sources

\leadsto Analytically continue AdS to Euclidean space

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + dz^2) \leftarrow \text{covers Full Euclidean AdS}$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + dz^2) \rightarrow$$



Given that $\sigma \leftrightarrow \varphi$
 $\rho(x) \leftrightarrow \varphi|_{\partial \text{AdS}}$

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\text{CFT}}[\varphi] = \mathbb{Z}_{\text{bulk}}[\varphi|_{\partial \text{AdS}} = \varphi]$$

We know how to define this

not known how to define in general

in the sense of

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^\alpha \varphi(z, x)$$

In the low energy limit, $G_N \rightarrow 0, \alpha' \rightarrow 0$

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\text{bulk}} = \int \mathcal{D}\varphi e^{\mathcal{S}_E[\varphi]}$$

and we can evaluate this perturbatively around pure (Euclidean) AdS

General n -point Function:

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_1(x_1) \dots \mathcal{O}_n(x_n) \rangle = \frac{\delta^n \log Z_{\text{bulk}}}{\delta \varphi_1 \dots \delta \varphi_n(x_n)} \Big|_{\varphi=0}$$

Recall around AdS:

$$S_{\text{bulk}} = \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} \left[-\frac{1}{2}(\partial \Phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m^2 \Phi^2 - \kappa \Phi^3 - \kappa^2 \Phi^4 + \dots \right]$$

($x \sim \sqrt{\epsilon_N} \sim 1/N$)

let φ_i collectively denote all perturbations around AdS, including metric and all matter fields

$$\kappa \sim 1/N \quad \kappa^2 \sim 1/N^2$$

$$\kappa^3 \sim 1/N^3$$

$$\partial^2 \varphi_1 - m^2 \varphi_1 = \kappa \varphi_0, \quad \varphi_0 = \int d^d x' K(z, x; x') \varphi(x')$$

$$\varphi_1 = \int dx' dz' G(x, z; x', z') \kappa \varphi_0 + \dots$$

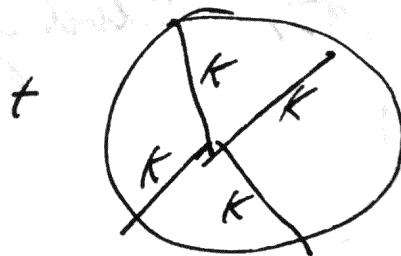
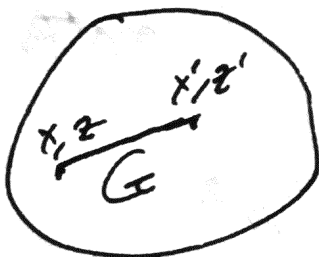
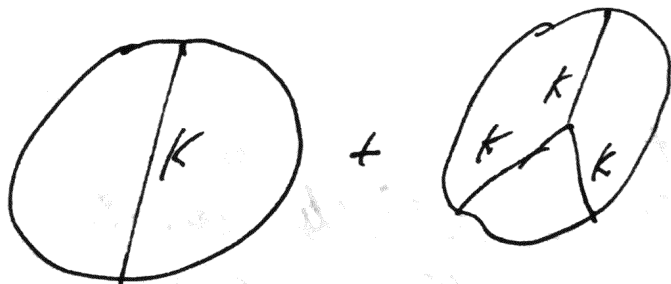
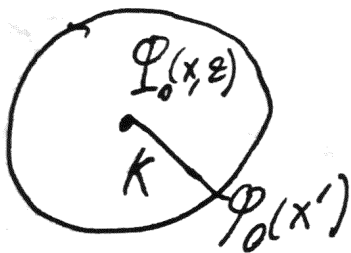
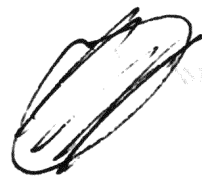
From this structure, we get that the tree-level is

$$\log \mathcal{Z}_{\text{tree}}[\phi] = \phi^2 + \chi \phi^3 + \chi^2 \phi^4 + \dots$$

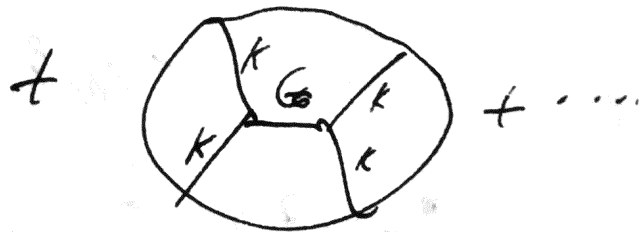
K : boundary to bulk propagator

G : bulk to bulk propagator

↑ demands fields fall off at ∞



Witten Diagrams



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$$\left\langle \exp\left[\int \theta(x) \varphi(x)\right] \right\rangle = Z_{\text{bulk}}\left[\frac{\varphi}{\partial \text{AdS}} = \varphi(x)\right] \quad (*)$$

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}\varphi \exp[S_E[\varphi]]$$

$$S_E[\varphi] = - \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} \left[\frac{1}{2} \partial\varphi^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \varphi^2 + \kappa \varphi^3 + \lambda \varphi^4 + \dots \right]$$

$$\kappa \sim G_N^{1/2} \sim 1/N$$

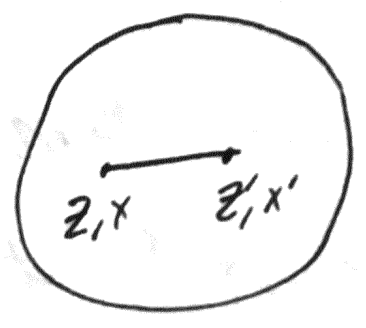
$$\log Z_{\text{bulk}}[\varphi] = \log Z_{\text{tree}}[\varphi] + \log Z_{1\text{-loop}}[\varphi] + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{I}_0(z, x) = \int d^d x' K(z, x; x') \varphi(x')$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{I}_0(z, x) = z^{d-A} \varphi(x)$$

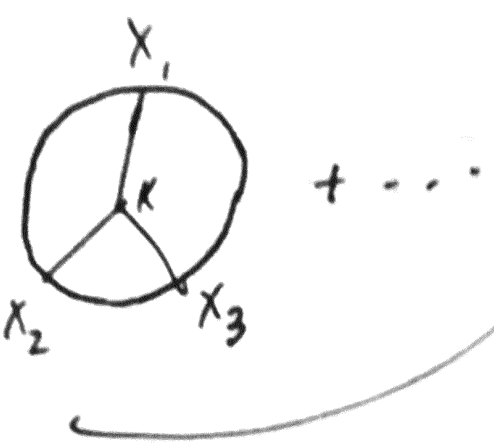
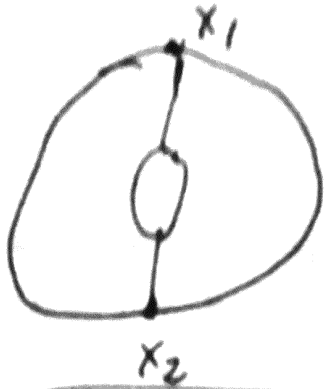
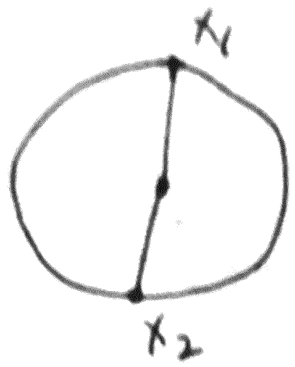


next:



$$\begin{aligned} & (\partial^2 - m^2) G(z, x; z', x') \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \delta(z - z') \delta^{(d)}(x - x') \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \theta(x_1) \theta(x_2) \rangle = \frac{\delta \log Z_{\text{bulk}}}{\delta \Phi(x_1) \delta \Phi(x_2)} \Big|_{\rho=0}$$



Remarks:

- (1) Both sides of (*) are divergent, even at tree-level, in the bulk

LHS: Usual UV divergences of a QFT \rightarrow IR/UV

RHS: Volume divergences + asymptotic behavior of $\Phi \rightarrow$ divergences as $z \rightarrow 0$

\rightarrow We need to renormalize them:

$$\log Z_{\text{CFT}}^{(R)} = \log \underbrace{Z_{\text{CFT}}}_{\text{bare}} + S_{\text{ct}}[\Phi]_{\text{local}}$$

$$\log Z_{\text{bulk}}^{(R)} = \log \underbrace{Z_{\text{bulk}}}_{\text{bare}} + S_{\text{ct}}(\text{local})$$

(2) One-point function

consider CM of (dof)



$$S[x_c] = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} dt \mathcal{L}[x(t), \dot{x}(t)]$$

$$x_c(t_0) = x_0$$

$$x_c(t_1) = x_1$$

$$\delta S = p_1 \delta x_1 - p_0 \delta x_0 \Rightarrow \frac{\delta S}{\delta x_1} = p_1$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle = \frac{\delta \log Z_{\text{free}}}{\delta \mathcal{P}(x)} \quad \log Z_{\text{free}} = S_E[\mathcal{I}_c]$$

$$\mathcal{I}_c \Big|_{\partial A \partial B} = \mathcal{P}(x)$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle = \frac{\delta S_E^{(R)}[\mathcal{I}_c]}{\delta \mathcal{P}(x)} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^{\Delta-d} \frac{\delta S_E^{(R)}(\mathcal{I}_c)}{\delta \mathcal{I}_c(\epsilon, x)}$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^{\Delta-d} \Pi^{(R)}(\mathcal{I}_c)$$

Π : canonical momentum for \mathcal{P}
treating z as "time"

• boundary-to-bulk prop.

$$K(z, x; x') : (\partial^2 - m^2) K(z, x; x') = 0$$

$$K(z \rightarrow 0, x; x') = z^{d-1} \delta^{(d)}(x-x')$$

• bulk-to-bulk prop.

counterpart of standard Flat space prop.

$G(z, x; z', x')$ is normalizable if either $z, z' \rightarrow 0$

$$G(z, x; z', x') \propto z^{\Delta} \quad z \rightarrow 0$$

Both G and K are found by going into momentum space

$$\text{e.g. } K(z, x; x') = \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} K(z, k) e^{i k(x-x')}$$

$$z^{d+1} \partial_z (z^{1-d} \partial_z K) - (k^2 z^2 + m^2 R^2) K = 0$$

$$\text{with } K(z, k) = z^{d-1} + \dots \quad \text{as } z \rightarrow 0$$

Find $K(z, x; x')$ directly in coordinate space

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{---} \xrightarrow{z=0} \\ \quad \downarrow \\ \quad \infty \end{array} \quad \frac{R^2}{z^2} (dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + dz^2)$$

$$P = (z=\infty)$$

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$$\hat{K}(z) \equiv K(z, x; P)$$

$$(z^2 \partial_z^2 + (1-d)z \partial_z + m^2 R^2) \hat{K} = 0$$

$$\hat{K} = a z^{d-\Delta} + b z^\Delta \Rightarrow \hat{K} = b z^\Delta$$

$$\Delta = \frac{d}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} + m^2 R^2}$$

Inversion

$$z \rightarrow \frac{z}{z^2 + x^2}$$

$$x^\mu \rightarrow \frac{x^\mu}{z^2 + x^2}$$

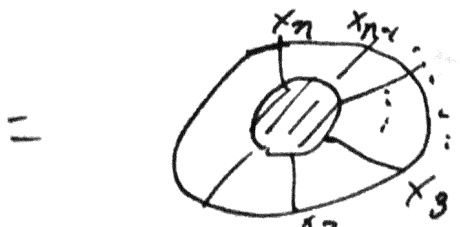
$$I: P \rightarrow \begin{matrix} z'=0 \\ x^+=0 \end{matrix}, K(z, x; x') = b \left(\frac{z}{z^2 + (x-x')^2} \right)^\Delta$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{\Gamma(\Delta)}{\Gamma(\nu)} \pi^{-d/2}$$

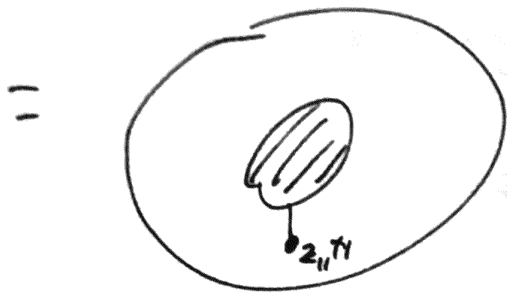
can also show (without solving G)

$$K(z, x; x') = \lim_{z' \rightarrow 0} z^\nu z'^{-\Delta} G(z, x; z', x')$$

$(\partial_1(x_1) \dots \partial_n(x_n)) =$ sum over all Feynman diagrams with n boundary endpoints



$$\langle \Phi_1(z_1, x) \dots \Phi_n(z_n, x_n) \rangle$$



$$\Rightarrow \langle \mathcal{O}_1(x_1) \dots \mathcal{O}_n(x_n) \rangle = \lim_{\substack{z_1 \rightarrow 0 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \rightarrow 0}} (2\nu_1 z_1^{-\Delta_1}) \dots (2\nu_n z_n^{-\Delta_n}) \times \langle \Phi_1(x_1, z_1) \dots \Phi_n(x_n, z_n) \rangle$$

(**)

Since Lorentzian corr. func. can be obtained from Euclidean ones using the same analytic continuation procedure, (**) must also apply to Lorentz corr.

Recall that: $|0\rangle_{\text{AdS}} \leftrightarrow |0\rangle_{\text{CFT}}$

$$\langle \Phi(z, x) \dots |0\rangle_{\text{AdS}} \rangle \leftrightarrow \langle \mathcal{O}(x) \dots |0\rangle_{\text{CFT}} \rangle$$

~> we can identify

$$\mathcal{O}(x) = 2\nu \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^{-\Delta} \Phi(x, z)$$

$$\langle \Psi | \mathcal{O}(x) | \Psi \rangle = 2\nu \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^{-\Delta} \underbrace{\langle \Psi | \mathcal{O}(x, z) | \Psi \rangle}_{= B(x) z^{\Delta} + \dots}$$

$$= 2\nu B(x)$$

$$\langle 0 | \mathcal{O}(x_1) \mathcal{O}(x_2) | 0 \rangle = \lim_{\substack{z_1 \rightarrow 0 \\ z_2 \rightarrow 0}} (2\nu z_1^{-\Delta}) (2\nu z_2^{-\Delta}) G(z_1, x_1; z_2, x_2)$$

$$= \lim_{z_1 \rightarrow 0} 2\nu z_1^{-\Delta} K(z_1, x_1; x_2)$$

$$= \frac{2\nu b}{|x_1 - x_2|^{2\Delta}}$$

3.1.4 Wilson loops

non-local operators

recall:

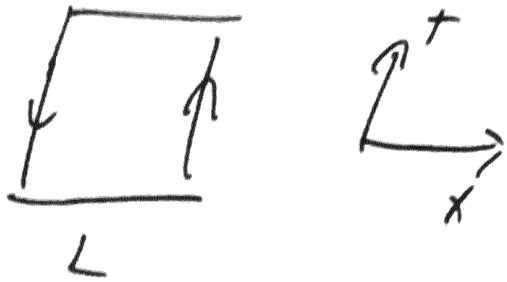
$$W[C] = \text{Tr}_\rho P e^{i \oint_C A_\mu dx^\mu}$$

→ phase factor associated with transporting an "external" particle in a given rep ρ

along C

e.g. $\langle 0 | W_\rho(C) | 0 \rangle, \langle 0 | W_\rho(C_1) W(C_2) \dots | 0 \rangle$

Often-used C:



$T \rightarrow L$,
expect $\langle W(C) \rangle \propto e^{-iET}$

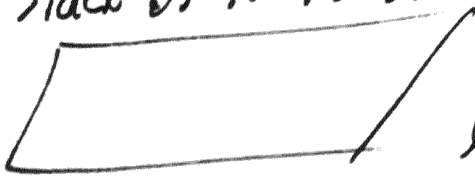
$E =$ energy of quark-anti-quark system

at $M \rightarrow \infty$

so they don't move

First, we need to understand how to introduce "external quarks" into $M=4$ SYM

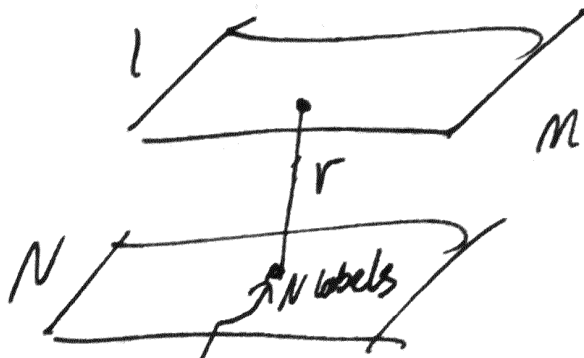
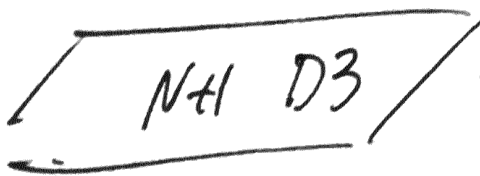
stack of N D3 branes



low-energy limit

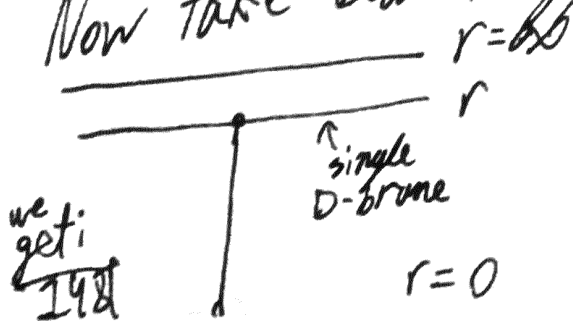
$AdS_5 \times S^5$

consider now:



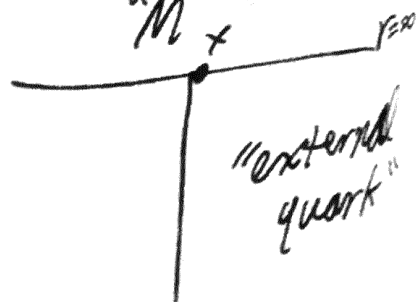
like a "quark" in fundamental rep'n

Now take low-energy limit, $r \rightarrow 0$ with r/α' fixed



$r = R^2/z$
 $M = r/2\pi\alpha'$

taking $r \rightarrow 0$, we get



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Parallel transport of such an "external quark" along a closed curve C gives a Wilson loop.

$$W(C) = \text{Tr} P \exp \left[i \oint_C A_\mu dx^\mu \right]$$

$$\tilde{W}(C) = \text{Tr} P \exp \left[i \oint_C \left(A_\mu dx^\mu + \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\Phi} \sqrt{x} \right) ds \right]$$

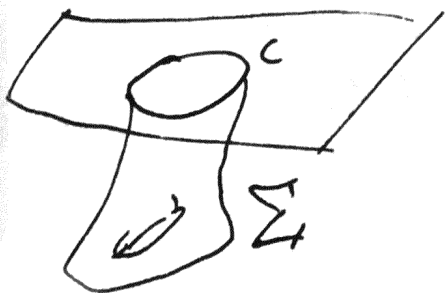
$\vec{\Phi}$ = six scalars in $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM

\vec{n} a unit vector on S^5

Since:

- 1) "quark" is endpoint of a string in AdS, C must be the boundary of a string worldsheet, Σ , i.e. $C = \partial \Sigma$
- 2) $\langle W(C) \rangle$ is the "partition function of this quark"

Guess: $\langle W(C) \rangle = Z_{\text{string}}(\partial \Sigma = C)$
← single string partition function



$$Z_{\text{string}} = \int_{\partial\Sigma=C} D\tilde{X}^{\mu}(\sigma^{\alpha}) e^{iS_{\text{string}}}$$

$$S_{\text{string}} \approx \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{-h}$$

where $h = \det(h_{\alpha\beta})$, $h_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\mu\nu} \partial_{\alpha} X^{\mu} \partial_{\beta} X^{\nu}$
 ~~$h_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\mu\nu} \partial_{\alpha} X^{\mu} \partial_{\beta} X^{\nu}$~~

$(g_s \rightarrow 0, \alpha' \rightarrow 0)$

neglect other topologies beyond genus 9 (large N)

saddle point approx.

(large N)

$$Z_{\text{string}} = e^{iS_{\text{string}}(\tilde{X}_{\text{classical}})}$$

$\tilde{X}_{\text{classical}}$ - solution to worldsheet EOM

$$\Rightarrow \langle W(C) \rangle = e^{iS[\tilde{X}_c]_{\partial\Sigma=C}}$$

action evaluated at classical string solution

Examples

(1) A static quark

$C = \uparrow \uparrow$ in field theory
length T

Field theory: $\langle W(C) \rangle = e^{-iMT}$, M is quark mass

Gravity: $ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (-dt^2 + dx^2 + dz^2)$

ISO1

$$= \frac{r^2}{R^2} (-dt^2 + dx^2) + \frac{R^2}{r^2} dr^2$$

$$z = \frac{R^2}{r}$$

$\sigma^\alpha = (\sigma, \tau)$, $\sigma = r$ $\tau = t \leftarrow$ worldsheet coordinate choice

$X^i = \text{const.}$ (trivial solution)

$ds_{ws}^2 = h_{\alpha\beta} d\sigma^\alpha d\sigma^\beta = -\frac{r^2}{R^2} dt^2 + \frac{r^2}{R^2} d\sigma^2 \leftarrow$ D-brane at r_0

$S_{NG} = -\frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{-h} = -\frac{L}{2\pi\alpha'} \int dt \int_0^{r_0} d\sigma = -\frac{L}{2\pi\alpha'} T r_0$

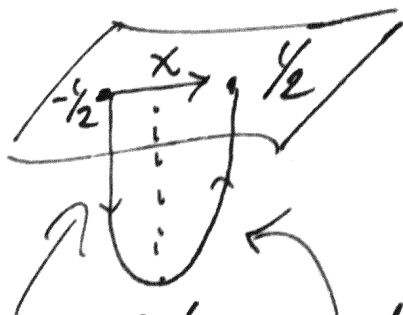
so $S_{NG} = -MT$, $M = \frac{r_0}{2\pi\alpha'}$

External quark: $r_0 \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow M \rightarrow \infty$

Take $r_0 = \Lambda$, $M = \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi\alpha'}$ Λ : UV energy cutoff

$\Lambda = \frac{R^2}{\epsilon}$, $\epsilon = \frac{1}{E} \Rightarrow M = \frac{R^2}{2\pi\alpha'} \frac{1}{\epsilon} = \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda}{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\epsilon}$

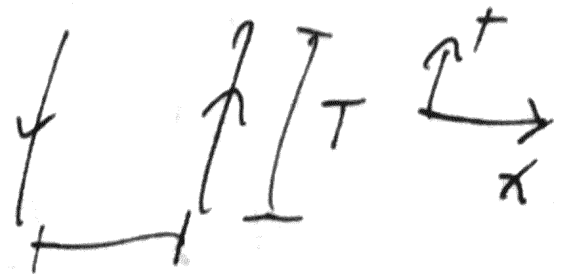
(2) Static Potential between quark/antiquark



+translation invariant

interaction causes quarks to join together

Field theory:



$\langle W(C) \rangle = e^{-iE_{tot} T}$

$E_{tot} = 2M + V(L)$

Choose: $t = t, \sigma = x$

$X^i = \text{const}$ for $i \neq x, Z = Z(\sigma) = Z(x)$

with boundary conditions

$$Z(\pm L/2) = 0$$

$$ds_{\text{WS}}^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (-dt^2 + \underbrace{(1+(z')^2)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{"dx}^2"}}} d\sigma^2)$$

$$S_{\text{NGE}} = \frac{2R^2}{2\pi\alpha'} \int_{\text{IR}}^{UV} \frac{d\sigma}{z^2} \sqrt{1+(z')^2} \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{\substack{\text{IR} \\ \text{cutoff}}} \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{\substack{\text{UV} \\ \text{cutoff}}} \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{\substack{\text{Z indep.} \\ \text{of } \sigma}}$$

$x \leftrightarrow -x$ sym
 $Z(\sigma) = Z(-\sigma)$

$$S_{\text{NGE}} V(L) = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{\pi} \int_{\epsilon}^{L/2} d\sigma \sqrt{1+(z')^2} - \frac{2\sqrt{\lambda}}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

Z is extremized by $z' \pi_z - \mathcal{L} = \text{const}, \pi_z = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial z'}$

at $\sigma=0, Z(0) = Z_0$

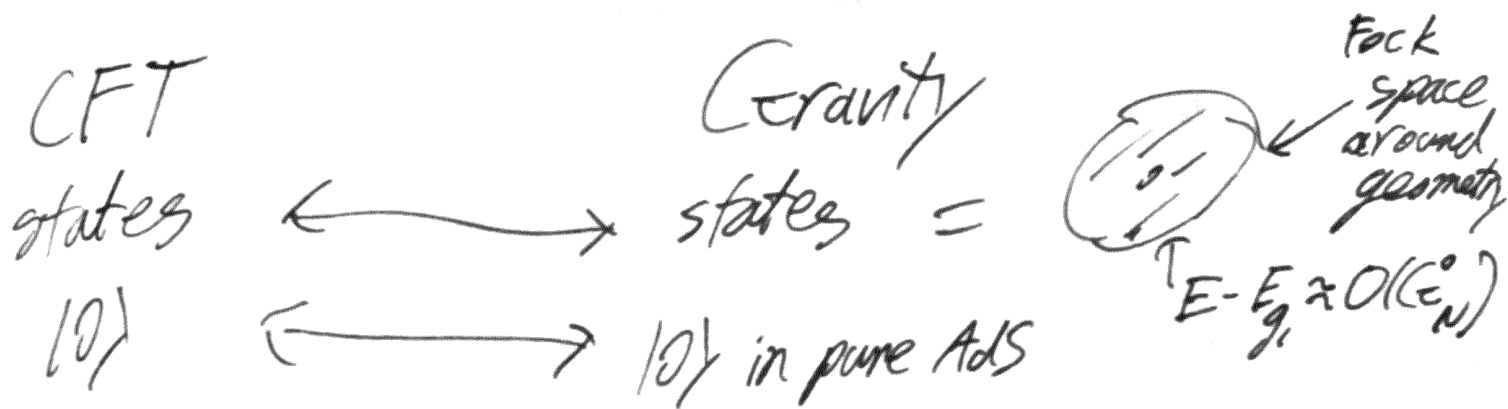
$$\Rightarrow (z')^2 = \frac{Z_0^4 - z^4}{z^4}, \quad Z_0 = L \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(1/4)}{2 \Gamma(3/4)}$$

$$\Rightarrow V(L) = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{\pi} \left[Z_0^2 \int_{\epsilon}^{Z_0} \frac{dz}{z^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_0^4 - z^4}} - \frac{1}{\epsilon} \right] \Rightarrow V(L) = -\frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{L} \frac{4\pi^2}{\Gamma^4(1/4)}$$

Remarks:

- $V(L)$ is finite, negative \rightarrow attraction of quark-antiquark
- $V(L) \propto 1/L$ (scale invariance, only energy is $1/L$)
- $V(L) \propto \sqrt{\lambda}$ (strong coupling result, at weak coupling $V(L) \propto g^2 \ln L$)
- $Z_0 \propto L \rightarrow$ deeper in bulk \leftrightarrow larger L (IR/UV connection)

3.2 Finite Temperature



Finite Temperature:

SU(N) gauge theory in flat space

$\rightarrow g \propto N^2, s \propto N^2, \dots$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon \sim 1/G_N$

Backreaction: $G_N \epsilon \sim O(1)$

gravity backreaction
so this is a new geometry!

Q: What does the thermal state in CFT correspond to?
criteria it should satisfy:

- (1) asymptotic AdS (normalizable, since finite T gives some theory, different state)
- (2) satisfy all laws of thermodynamics
- (3) translationally and rotationally invariant along boundary directions

Candidates:

1. Thermal AdS: $ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (-dt^2 + dx^{\vec{2}} + dz^2)$
↑ geometry is singular as $z \rightarrow \infty$ ↓ dt^2 , with $\tau \sim \tau + 2\pi R$
circle of τ goes to zero size \Rightarrow singularities

2. A Black hole with event horizon that is topologically R^d

Ansatz: $ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (-F(z) dt^2 + dx^{\vec{2}} + g(z) dz^2)$
↑ flat horizon ↑ Flat horizon due to Poincare symmetry

\Rightarrow Einstein equations: $F = g = (1 - \frac{z^d}{z_0^d})$ (in AdS_{d+1})
($\Lambda < 0$)

$z_0 = \text{const} \Rightarrow$ horizon at $z = z_0$

standard trick of going to Euclidean time
 \Rightarrow require Euclidean sol'n smooth

$$\Rightarrow \beta = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{4\pi}{d} z_0 \Rightarrow T = \frac{d}{4\pi} \frac{1}{z_0} \quad (\text{measured in units of } t)$$

$z = 0$



Higher T horizon
 $\Rightarrow z = 0$ probes high energy

$1/z \sim z = z_0$



Lower T horizon
 $\Rightarrow z = \infty$ probes low energy

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(IR/UV connection)

Thermodynamics

$$S_{BH} = \frac{A_{hor}}{4G_N}$$

For AdS_5 , $d=4$

$$A_{hor} = \frac{R^3}{z_0^3} \int d\vec{x} \Rightarrow$$

$V = \text{spatial volume of boundary}$

entropy density

$$s = \frac{R^3}{4z_0^3 G_N} = \frac{\pi^2}{2} N^2 T^3 (*)$$

\uparrow
 $5d G_N$
 with $G_N/R^3 = \pi/2N^2$

(*) is also a prediction of entropy density on $N=4$ SYM in $N \rightarrow \infty$, $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ limit.

Read $\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle_\beta$ from metric $\Rightarrow \langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle_\beta \propto \frac{1}{z_0^d} a T^d$

Can also use thermodynamic relations: matches CFT prediction

$$S = -\frac{\partial F}{\partial T} \Rightarrow F = -\frac{\pi^2}{8} N^2 T^4 \Rightarrow E = F + Ts = \frac{3\pi^2}{8} N^2 T^4$$

Compare with free theory

$$S_{\lambda=0} = \left(8 + 8 \cdot \frac{7}{8} \right) \frac{2\pi^2}{45} T^3 N^2 = \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 N^2 T^3$$

\uparrow
 2 on-shell A_μ
 + 6 scalars

\uparrow
 8 Fermions
 fermion contrib.

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{S_{\lambda=\infty}}{S_{\lambda=0}} = \frac{3}{4}}$$

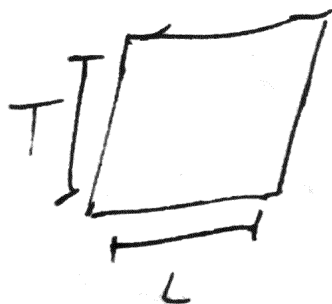
Many examples of CFT duals are known for $d=4$. In all known cases we get

$$\frac{S_{\text{strongy}}}{S_{\text{free}}} = \frac{3}{4} h, \text{ with } \frac{8}{9} < h < 1.09$$

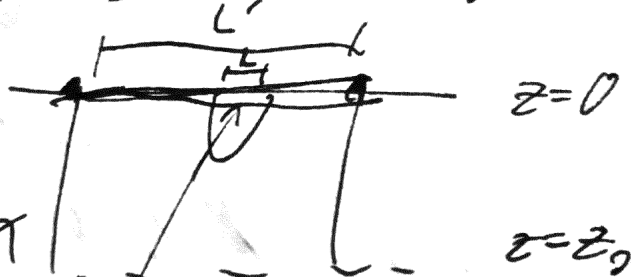
\rightarrow ratio is always $\approx 3/4$ for CFT duals (in ∞ of theories) \leftarrow no idea why

$$\langle W(C) \rangle / \beta \sim e^{iET}$$

$$E = 2M + V(L)$$



\rightarrow



small L , short distance physics doesn't feel temp. in CFT (doesn't see z_0 in the bulk)

at large L' , minimal surface ends on horizon \Rightarrow screened quarks, "finite T plasma screens"

So far, CFT is on \mathbb{R}^d , dual to black brane

~~what happens~~ scale inv. theory,

T is only scale, so all T are the same, related by scaling so T sets units

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What happens if we consider global AdS?

⇒ CFT is on $\mathbb{R} \times S^{d-1}$ at finite T

Take the sphere radius to be R (just sets scale)

At finite T, there is dimensionless param. RT

Some important features:

(1) Thermal AdS is now allowed

global AdS: $ds^2 = -\left(1 + \frac{r^2}{R^2}\right) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 + \frac{r^2}{R^2}} + r^2 d\Omega_{d-1}^2$

$r \rightarrow \infty$: $ds^2 = \frac{r^2}{R^2} \left(-dt^2 + R^2 d\Omega_{d-1}^2 \right)$

boundary metric

$t \rightarrow -it$, $\tau \sim \tau + \beta$ (no singularity at $r \rightarrow 0$ since β finite)

(2) $ds^2 = -f dt^2 + \frac{1}{f} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_{d-1}^2$

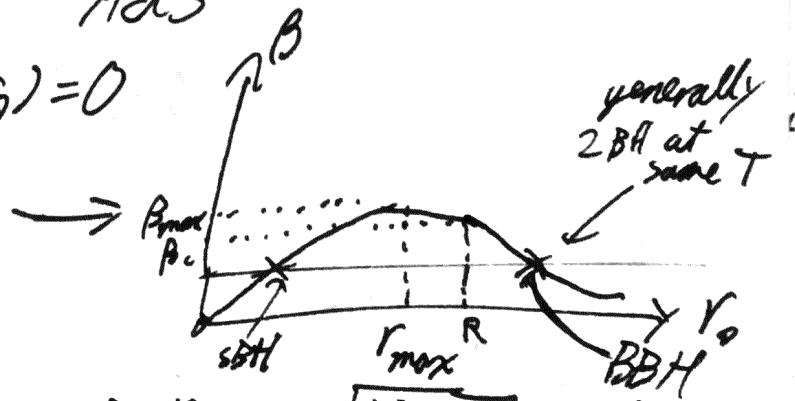
$f = 1 - \frac{M}{r^{d-2}} + \frac{r^2}{R^2}$

Schwarzschild BH of mass M

R for asymptotically AdS

horizon at $r=r_0$, $f(r_0)=0$

$\beta = \frac{4\pi}{S'(r_0)} = \frac{4\pi r_0 R}{d \cdot r_0^2 + (d-2)R^2}$



⇒ $r_{max} = \sqrt{\frac{d-2}{d}} R$

- (i) $\beta_{max} \Rightarrow T_{min}$
(ii) two BH solutions at given β

(3) We find

- (i) For $T < T_{min} \rightarrow$ no BH, only thermal AdS (TAdS)
(ii) For $T > T_{min}$, \rightarrow three possibilities:

TAdS, SBH, BBH

$$e^{-\beta F_{eff}} = Z_{eff}(\beta) = \int D\Phi e^{S_E[\Phi]} = \sum_{\text{saddles}} e^{S_E[\Phi_c]}$$

Dominant saddle has largest $S_E[\Phi_c]$

this solution dominates

$$S_E = \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \int [(R-2\Lambda) + \mathcal{L}_{matter}] \propto N^2$$

pure AdS: $S_E = 0$ (have to renormalize s.t. this holds)

TAdS: $S_E = 0 \cdot N^2 + \mathcal{O}(N^0)$ (b.c. this only differs by global $T \sim \bar{c} + \beta$ so curvature terms are locally the same)

BBH: $\propto N^2$

SBH: sign of \propto determines if these are dominant \rightarrow complicated calculation

~~Short cut~~

short cut:

$W_{d-1} = \text{Vol of } S^{d-1}$

$$S = \frac{W_{d-1} r_0^{d-1}}{4\epsilon_N} \xrightarrow{\text{integrate}} S = -\frac{\partial F}{\partial T} = -\frac{\partial F}{\partial r_0} \frac{\partial r_0}{\partial T}$$

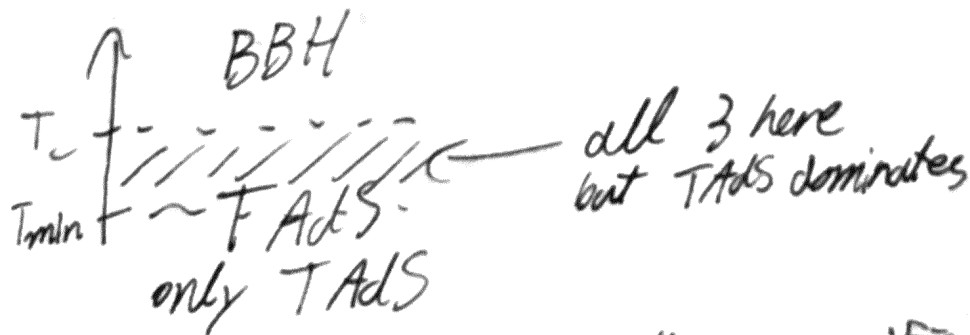
$$\Rightarrow F = \frac{W_{d-1}}{16\pi\epsilon_N} \left(r_0^{d-2} - \frac{r_0^d}{R^2} \right)$$

$F_{BH} > 0$ when $r_0 < R$ $\leftarrow \beta_c = \beta(r_0 = R) = 1/T_c$

$F_{BH} > 0$ when $r_0 > R$

$T_c > T_{min}$, For $T < T_c$ thermal AdS dominates
 for $T > T_c$ BBH dominates

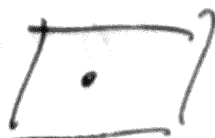
always $S_E(BBH) > S_E(SBH)$ and $S_E(SBH) < 0$



(5) BBH has positive specific heat
 SBH has negative specific heat



BBH
 \rightarrow stable

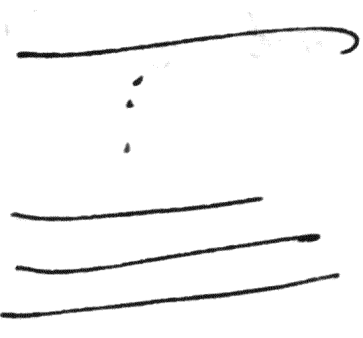


SBH
 \rightarrow unstable (doesn't know)
 \rightarrow evaps its in box

(6) Since physics only depends on RT
 keep RT fixed, $T \rightarrow \infty =$ keep RT fixed, $R \rightarrow \infty$
 flat space limit

(7) Hawking-Page transition
 (sometimes called "deconfinement transition")
 $T < T_c \Rightarrow F_{\text{CFT}} \sim O(N^0)$ } 1st order
 $T > T_c \Rightarrow F_{\text{CFT}} \sim O(N^2)$ } phase transition

(8) Physics underlying HP transition:
 A free theory of two matrices A, B ($N \times N$)
 $\leadsto 2N^2$ harmonic oscillators w/ frequency $\omega=1$

$O(N^2)$  } evenly spaced Energy levels
 Density of states:
 $D(E) \sim O(N^0)$ when $E \sim N^0$
 $D(E) \sim e^{\alpha N^2}$ when $E \sim N^2$

$$Z = \int dE D(E) e^{-\beta E}$$

$\hookrightarrow D(E) \propto e^{S(E)}$

Take $\beta \sim O(N^0)$ (indep of N)

suppose $E = \epsilon N^2 \Rightarrow S(E) = F(\epsilon) N^2$

$$\leadsto e^{-\beta E} D(E) = e^{(F(\epsilon) - \beta \epsilon) N^2}$$

\leadsto For $F(\epsilon) < \beta \epsilon$ highly excited ($E \sim N^2$) states won't contribute
 $\Rightarrow Z$ receives dominant contributions from $E \sim O(N^0)$
 $\Rightarrow F = O(N^0)$

IGO IF $F(\epsilon) \geq \beta \epsilon$, $F = O(N^2)$

3.3 Holographic Entanglement Entropy

• Entanglement entropy:

divide system $A+B$

Hilbert space $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n \chi_n(A) \chi_n(B)$$

A and B in state $|\psi\rangle$ are entangled
if $|\psi\rangle$ cannot be written as a simple product
of states of A, B

EE: a measure to quantify how much
 A and B are entangled

$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B (|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{S_A = -\text{Tr}_A \rho_A \log \rho_A} \geq 0$$

$S_A = 0 \Leftrightarrow \rho_A$ is a pure state

$\Leftrightarrow |\psi\rangle$ can be written as a simple product

For a pure state: $S_A = S_B$ in general

IF AB is in a mixed state,

we do not in general have $S_A = S_B$

Example: 2 spin system

\uparrow \downarrow
 A B

a) $|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle)$

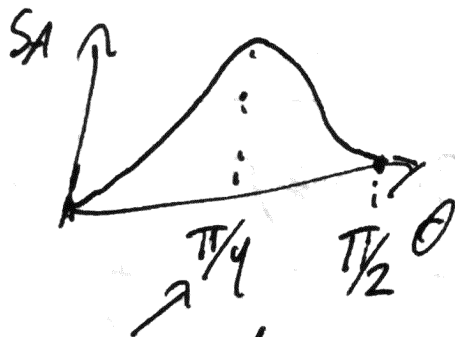
$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle_A + |\downarrow\rangle_A) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle_B + |\downarrow\rangle_B)$

\rightarrow not entangled

b) $|\Psi\rangle = \cos\theta |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + \sin\theta |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$

$\rho_A = \cos^2\theta |\uparrow\rangle\langle\uparrow| + \sin^2\theta |\downarrow\rangle\langle\downarrow|$

$\rightarrow S_A = -\cos^2\theta \log \cos^2\theta - \sin^2\theta \log \sin^2\theta$



maximally entangled

Some important properties:

(1) Subadditivity

$$|S(A) - S(B)| \leq S(AB) \leq S(A) + S(B)$$

(2) Strong subadditivity:

$$\begin{aligned} S(AC) + S(BC) &\geq S(ABC) + S(C) \\ S(AC) + S(BC) &\geq S(A) + S(B) \end{aligned}$$

Entanglement Entropy in many-body systems:

IF $H = \underbrace{H_A}_{AB} + \underbrace{H_B}$ \Rightarrow ground state is unentangled

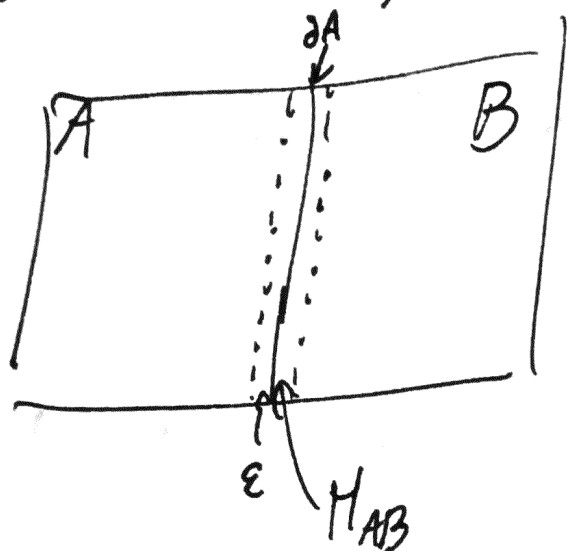
\leadsto start with unentangled initial state
then the system remains unentangled

\Rightarrow interactions are crucial for generating entanglement

Now consider $H = H_A + H_B + \underbrace{H_{AB}}$ \leadsto ground state is entangled

\leadsto entanglement will be generated
from time evolution

In realistic condensed matter systems and QFTs, H and H_{AB} are local



take ϵ here to be the lattice spacing

$\Rightarrow H_{AB}$ only involves d.o.f. near $\partial A = -\partial B$

e.g. take $H = \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$

QFT: $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4}\phi^4$

One Finds: in general in the ground state for a local H ,

$$S_A \approx \frac{\text{Area}(\partial A)}{\epsilon^{d-2}} + \dots \quad (*)$$

i.e. entanglement between A and B is dominated by short-range entanglement near ∂A , where ∂_{AB} is supported

Area law is universal, \approx is not universal, and depends on details of UV theory.

Sub-leading terms in $(*)$, which encode long-range entanglement, can provide important characterization of a system

Example:

in $(2+1)$ -dimensions

(1) characterize topological order

realized by

X.G. Wen

M. Levin

and independently by

J. Preskill

A. Kitaev

~~typical gapped systems:~~
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\leadsto contains only short-range entanglement

but in topologically ordered systems:

ground state can have subtle long-range correlations

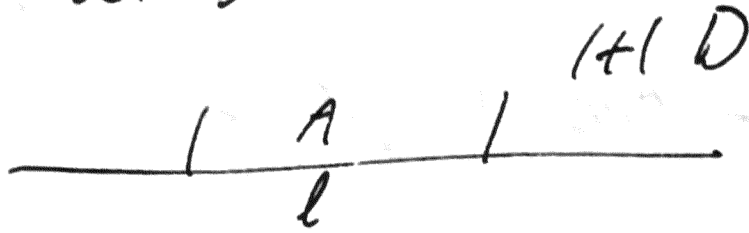
$$\leadsto S_A = \# \frac{L}{\xi} - \gamma$$

\nearrow
 indep. of
 shape and size
 of A

\nwarrow topological entanglement
~~entropy~~ entropy

(2) Characterize # d.o.f. of a system of relativistic QFTs

entanglement
entropy
in
CFT
in
1+1D



$$S_A = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\ell}{\epsilon}$$

where c is the CFT's central charge

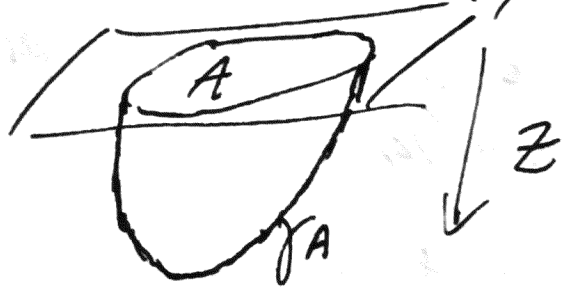
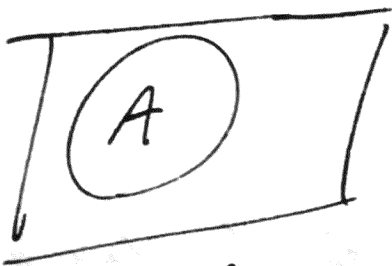
in $(2+1)$ -D CFT:

$$S_A = \# \frac{L \partial A}{\epsilon} - \gamma$$

depends on
shape of A

minimized at $A = \text{circle}$

Holographic entanglement entropy



How would we calculate S_A ?

Proposal: Find the minimal area surface γ_A which extends into the bulk with ∂A as its boundary

Ryu-Takayanagi:

Then $S_A = \frac{\text{Area}(\gamma_A)}{4G_N}$ (**)

this diverges as $\frac{1}{\epsilon^{d-2}}$ where ϵ is the z-cut-off

∂A : $d-2$ dim

A, γ_A : $d-1$ dim in AdS_{d+1}

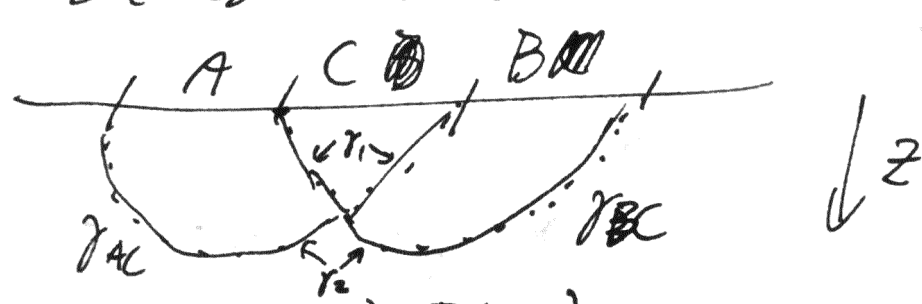
S_A : dimensionless

This formula is very valuable, as entanglement entropy is extremely difficult to calculate even in non-interacting QFTs, but this minimal surface area is relatively easy to calculate.

Things to check:

• strong subadditivity:

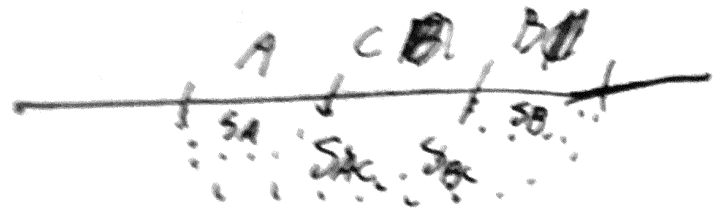
$$S(AC) + S(BC) \geq S(ABC) + S(C)$$



$$\begin{aligned} S(AC) + S(BC) &= A(\gamma_{AC}) + B(\gamma_{BC}) \\ &= A(\gamma_1) + A(\gamma_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(\gamma_1) &\geq A(\gamma_C) \rightarrow QED \\ A(\gamma_2) &\geq A(\gamma_{ABC}) \end{aligned}$$

Can also see: $S(AC) + S(BC) > S(A) + S(B)$



• Can get entanglement entropy of (H)-CFT

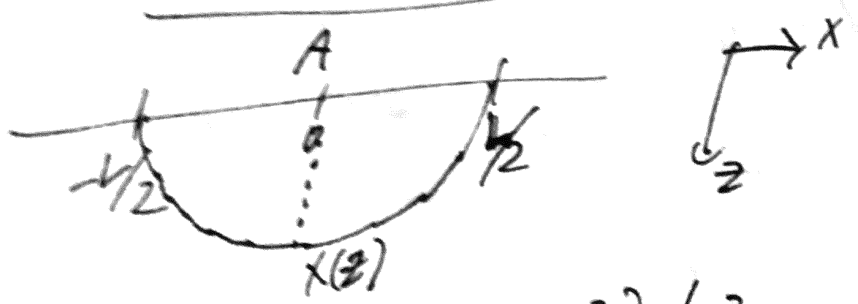
We've seen $\text{CFT}_4 \leftrightarrow \text{AdS}_5$ $N^2 \sim 1/G_N$

can also construct $\text{CFT}_2 \leftrightarrow \text{AdS}_3$

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (dz^2 - dt^2 + dx^2)$$

each CFT_2 is characterized by a central charge c

$$c = \frac{3R}{2G_N}$$



$$dl^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (1 + x'(z)^2) dz^2$$

$$x(z=0) = 1/2 \Rightarrow S_A = \frac{1}{4\pi} \cdot 2 \cdot \int_0^{1/2} dz \frac{R}{z} \sqrt{1 + x'(z)^2}$$

[IGS] (From high school, know geodesic in hyperbolic space is semicircle)

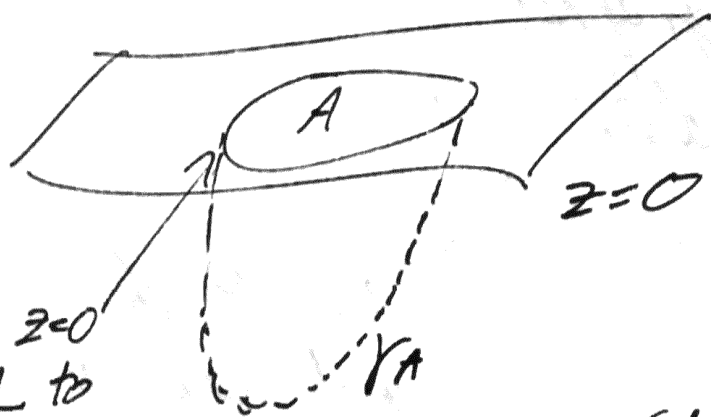
half-circle: $x = \sqrt{\frac{L^2}{4} - z^2}$

$$S_A = \frac{1}{4G_N} 2R \frac{L}{2} \int_0^{L/2} \frac{dz}{z \sqrt{\frac{L^2}{4} - z^2}}$$

logarithmic UV divergence
↓
change to ϵ

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3R}{2G_N} \log \frac{L}{\epsilon}$$

- At Finite temperature, (***) is compatible with Bekenstein-Hawking formula for black hole entropy
- Area law for general dimensions:



near $z=0$
 δ_A is \perp to boundary

$$\Rightarrow S_A = \frac{\text{Area}(dA)}{\epsilon^{d-2}} + \dots$$

Ryu-Takayanagi lets us understand this leading order term

Final words

Why should we expect entropy, the quantum information of a system, be related to the area of a region in some spacetime?

Ryu-Takayanagi formula implies:

spacetime \leftrightarrow geometrization of quantum entanglement

geometry \leftrightarrow quantum information

Quantum Information

Quantum Field Theory

Holographic Duality

Condensed Matter Theory

Black Holes and Quantum Gravity