

Introduction to AdS/CFT

Let me start w/ some heuristic motivation(s)

1. From black hole thermodynamics

You have learned from Roberto's lectures that b.h. behave as thermodyn objects

$$E = M, \quad S \leftrightarrow A_H, \quad T \leftrightarrow \kappa$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1^{st} \text{ law } \delta M = \frac{\kappa}{8\pi G} \delta A_H \\ 2^{nd} \text{ law } \delta A > 0 \text{ cls} \end{array} \right.$$

Bardeen, Carter, Hawking '74

- classically, b.h. have neither a temperature (absorb everything), nor a sizeable entropy (b.h. uniqueness) emit nothing

- however, upon establishing that, QM, b.h. emit thermal rad.

$$\textcircled{a} \quad T_H = \frac{\kappa \hbar}{2\pi} \quad \Rightarrow \quad S_{BH} = \frac{A_H}{4G_N \hbar} = \frac{A_H}{4\ell_p^2}$$

- then, expect that S_{BH} truly represents the entropy of the system for which one may expect a statistical int. as counting "b.h. microstates" (note, mostly invisible in gravity) $S = k_B \ln \Omega$

↳ this will be our assumption in the following

Observations:

- since $S \propto \frac{A_H}{\ell_p^2}$, it looks like the d.o.f. live on the surface of the b.h, w/ 1 d.o.f / planck-size region (\sim very few) vs standard obj. w/ $\propto V$

- on the other hand, A_H/ℓ_p^2 is a huge #. E.g. for a solar-mass b.h. w/ $R_s \sim 3 \text{ km}$. (cf. $R_\odot \sim 700,000 \text{ km}$), the ^{B.H.} entropy

is $S_{BH} = \frac{4\pi R_s^2}{4\ell_p^2} \sim \frac{30 \cdot 10^6}{(10^{-35})^2} \sim 3 \cdot 10^{77} \times k_B \sim 10^{54} \frac{54}{8/2} > \text{entropy sun } (10^{35})$

• since $S \propto A$ one would imagine that standard matter w/ $S \propto V$ could easily be more entropic than b.h.s. However, this is not the case, due to gravitational collapse (generic in quantizing spct) (Penrose)

To see this, imagine a gas (standard QFT) in a region \mathcal{R} of spct of size R . We have

$E_{\text{gas}} \sim T^4 V \sim T^4 R^3$, $S_{\text{gas}} \sim T^3 V \sim T^3 R^3$ $\hbar = c = 1$

we would like that $S > S_{\text{BH}} \sim \frac{A_{\mathcal{R}}}{4G} \sim \frac{R^2}{G}$ (entropy of a b.h. that fills the region)

• on the other hand, the energy of the gas in region \mathcal{R} is limited by $GE < R$ (lest it undergoes grav. collapse)

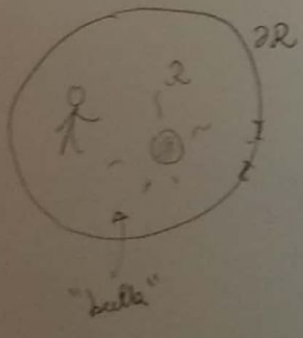
$\Rightarrow T < \left(\frac{1}{R^2 G}\right)^{1/4} \Rightarrow S_{\text{gas}} < \left(\frac{R^2}{G}\right)^{3/4} \sim \left(\frac{A_{\mathcal{R}}}{G}\right)^{3/4} \ll \frac{A_{\mathcal{R}}}{4G}$

\Rightarrow the gas cannot have larger entropy than a b.h. filling the region

• the entropy is maximized for a single b.h. filling the region (as opposed to several small ones) (pt. $S = \frac{1}{4} \frac{A}{G}$, $R \geq \sqrt{2} \frac{A}{G}$ max for one b.h.)

The implication of this simple-looking obs that we can represent all that happens inside \mathcal{R} by d.o.f. that live on the surface of the region \Rightarrow

HOLOGRAPHY ('t Hooft '93)



- \leftarrow find prop of QG.
- \rightarrow the QG d.o.f live in fewer dims than the obs. limit indicates
- \rightarrow can encode th. of gravity $\overset{\text{in } \mathcal{R}}$ by th. w/o gravity living on $\partial \mathcal{R}$
- \rightarrow locality \rightarrow approximate, spct. \rightarrow emergent
- \rightarrow argument v. general, but vague universal

2. From behaviour of large N gauge theories

- this argument (also due to 't Hooft!) suggests that certain theories w/o gravity may display an emergent grav. descr. under certain cond.

Consider $U(N)$ Yang-Mills theory; gauge fields A_μ^i # colours i, j indices (adj.) A_μ^i hermitian


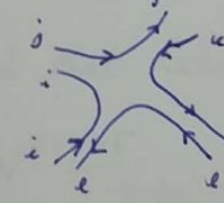
$$F_{\mu\nu}^i = \partial_\mu A_\nu^i - \partial_\nu A_\mu^i + g [A_\mu, A_\nu]^i; \quad \mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} \text{tr} F^2$$

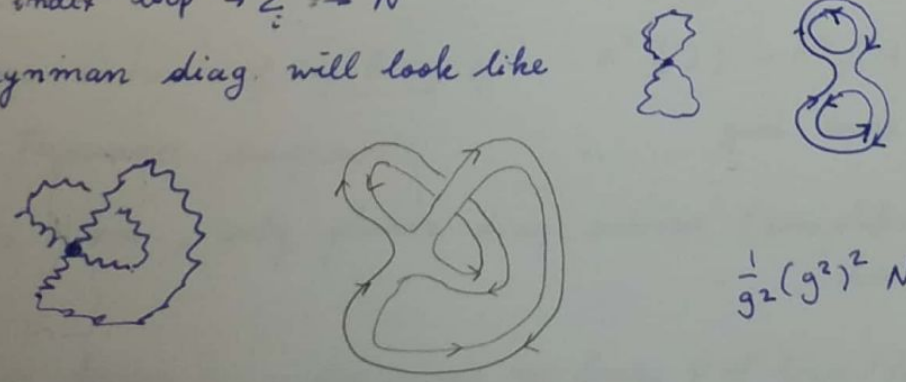
- will be useful to use rescaled $A' \sim gA$, w/ $F' \leftarrow \frac{1}{g} F$ expl. $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4g^2} \text{tr} F'^2$

Feynman rules

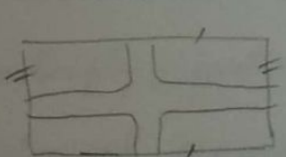
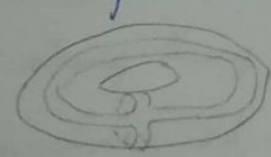
$$\langle A^i_\mu A^j_\nu \rangle = \langle A^i_\mu A^j_\nu \rangle \propto g^2 \delta^{ij} \delta_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{up to } \mu, \nu \text{ \& factors of } k$$

- useful to introduce double line notation $\begin{matrix} i & \longrightarrow & i \\ j & \longleftarrow & j \end{matrix}$
upper index: outgoing \rightarrow , lower \leftarrow

- interactions $\frac{1}{g^2}$  $\frac{1}{g^2}$  (also 3-pt. vertex)
- index loop $\rightarrow \sum_i \rightarrow N$

- Feynman diag. will look like
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- $\frac{1}{g^2} (g^2)^2 N^3 \sim N^3 g^2$
contr. to vacuum energy
 $\frac{1}{g^2} (g^2)^2 N \sim N g^2$

- the 1st diagram is called planar (can be drawn on a plane)

- the 2nd cannot be drawn on a plane, but can on a torus \uparrow be straightened out \exists it doesn't self-cross
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- power $N = \#$ faces after straightening

- more generally, a Feynman diag. w/ E propagators, V vertices and F loops can be straightened out on a 2d surface of genus g (# holes) w/

$$2 - 2g \equiv \chi = F + V - E$$

↑
Euler character (top. inv. of 2d. surfaces $\{R^2\}$)



the Feynman diagram corresp. to a partition of the surface that separates it into polygons (~ "triangulation")

- the g, N dependence of such a diagram $A \sim (g^2)^{E-V} N^F$
- since F (# loops) can be arbitrarily large \rightarrow no good large N expansion
- however 't Hooft noticed that taking N large w/ $g^2 N \equiv \lambda$ fixed

't Hooft limit

then $A \sim (g^2 N)^{E-V} N^{\frac{F+V-E}{\chi = 2-2g}}$

exp. in terms of topology of Feynman diagrams $N^2 f_2(\lambda) + N^0 f_1(\lambda) + \frac{1}{N^2} f_0(\lambda) + \dots$
 good large N exp. (low genus dominates)

• as $N \rightarrow \infty$, only planar diag. survive (simplification, but still have large # loops!)

• for large λ , diagrams w/ large # of loops/faces dominate as the lines become dense \rightarrow smooth 2d surface

\approx worldsheet of a string

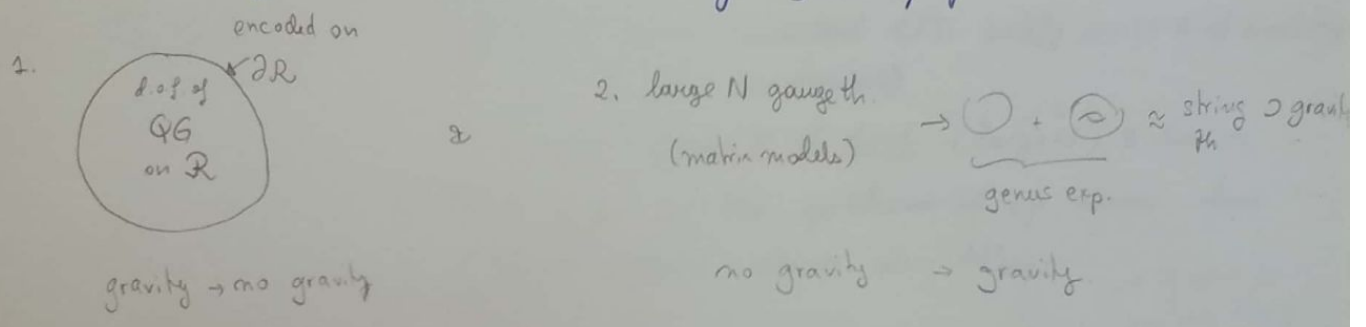
• interestingly, perturbative string theory is also org. into a topological expansion involving 2d surfaces

large N gauge theory \approx strings? $\xrightarrow{?}$ gravity
 ('t Hooft limit) \uparrow are known to contain gravity

this large N counting applies to any model w/ matrix-valued fields

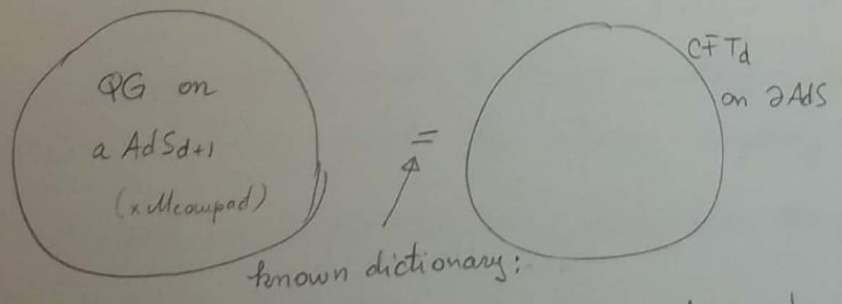
can also include quarks (1 fund. index) \Leftrightarrow hole in the Riemann surface.
 ($F = \#$ index loops + $\#$ quark loops) $\chi = 2 - 2g - h$

To summarize, \exists two \neq rather vague, but profound & universal



Q: Can they be made more precise?

AdS/CFT corresp.: concrete, precise realiz. of the holographic idea for spt. that are asympt anti-de Sitter.
 can only fix asympt in QG



- symm, corr. f, thermodyn, entanglement ...

AdS/CFT can be discussed @ 2 levels

① "top-down": specific examples of AdS/CFT pairs obtained from decoupling limits of string th.

② "derivation" \uparrow only known candidate th. of QG. to date

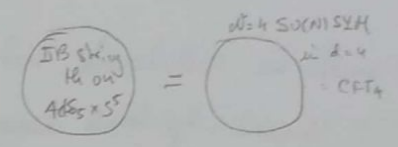
- whole structure of string th (beautiful, powerful & rather rigid) stands behind

specif th. grav / specific CFTs (can match all or approx in both dir)

why imp?

• AdS/CFT is a strong/weak coupling duality \rightarrow hard to check!

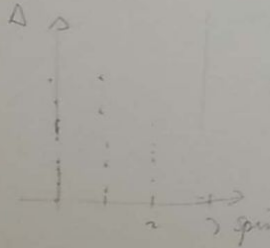
• examples are usually supersymmetric, e.g.
 $AdS_{d+1} \times S^{4-d} \leftrightarrow CFT_d$



but also \exists AdS_3/CFT_2 , AdS_4/CFT_3 , AdS_7/CFT_4 etc.

• when the CFT happens to be a gauge th. (e.g. $d=4$ SYM), then concrete realisation of 't Hooft's idea large N gauge th \rightarrow string th.

(2) "bottom-up" : $\forall CFT_d$ (notice consistent CFTs satisfy an ∞ # of bootstrap & other constraints)



that has a large # of d.o.f. (large N) & has a large gap in the spectrum of op. dims has a dual grav. descr. in AdS_{d+1}

part of spec $\gg 2$ are very heavy

(+) universality (AdS/CFT true indep. of string th)

• gravity in AdS has the correct structural prop. to be dual to a CFT

- symm (& anomalies)

- structure of corr. functions

- thermodynamics

if a CFT w/ given prop \exists (hard to establish, b/c of ∞ const cond) then it is dual to gravity w/ prop

• since corresp. relates weak & strong coupling, can use (semi-cl) gravity to learn about the strong-coupling behaviour of CFTs

- very fruitful : AdS/CMT, holographic RG flows

• our underst is an rich interplay of these two perspectives, w/ the concrete stringy examples guiding ppl's intuition of what can happen @ strong coupling (e.g. \exists AdS/CFT) & the bottom-up perspective giving a rel. to fundamental/univ. physical phenomena & principles.

that do not refer to specific examples

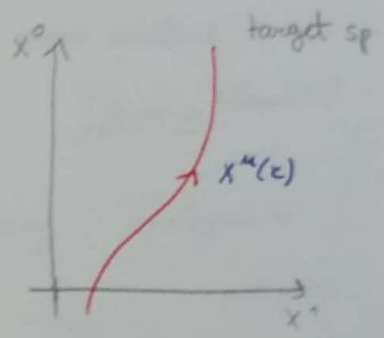
String theory

- starting assumption: basic objects are strings, rather than pt. part.
- to understand their action, useful nonetheless to start w/ a relativistic point particle analogue

- consider a pt. particle travelling in some D-dim'l spt. w/ coord X^μ $\mu = \{0, \dots, D-1\}$

- traces worldline $X^\mu(\tau)$
↑ worldline param (arbitrary)

- action: length spt. interval



$$ds^2 = G_{\mu\nu}(X) \dot{X}^\mu \dot{X}^\nu$$

$\eta_{\mu\nu}$ for now $\tau \frac{dX^\nu}{d\tau}$

$$S = -m \int d\tau \sqrt{-\dot{X}^\mu \dot{X}_\mu}$$

manifest target sp. Lorentz invar
 ← clc traj: geodesics

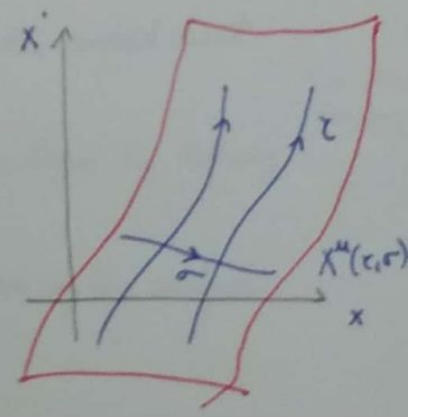
- note action has reparametrization invar $\tau \rightarrow \tau' = f(\tau)$

⇒ constraint that momenta $p^\mu = \frac{m\dot{X}^\mu}{\sqrt{-\dot{X}^2}}$ satisfy $p^2 = -m^2$
are not indep, but

- a string is an object w/ 1 spatial dim → traces a 2d worldsheet as it moves throughout spt. (target sp).

$$X^\mu(\tau, \sigma) \quad \mu = 0, \dots, D-1$$

$\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ $\sigma \in (0, \pi)$ open \sim
 $(0, \pi)$ closed \circ



target sp. metric $\eta_{\mu\nu}$

induced metric on the string = pullback target sp. metric

$$h_{ab} = \eta_{\mu\nu} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X^\nu \quad a, b = 0, 1 \quad \sigma^a = \{\tau, \sigma\}$$

bosonic string action: area string w-sheet (analogy pct. part)

$$S_{NG} [X^\mu] = - \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{-\det(\underbrace{\partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X_\mu}_{h_{ab}})}$$

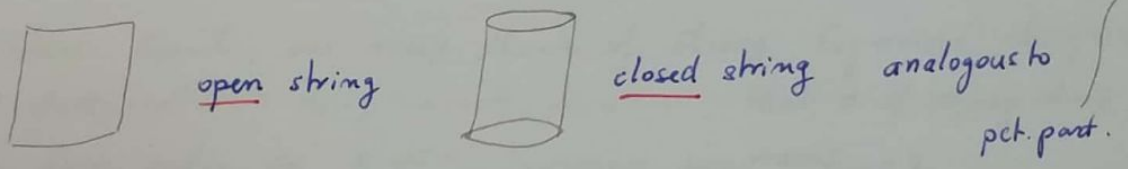
Nambu-Goto

$$h_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{X}^\mu \dot{X}^\mu & \dot{X}^\mu X'^\mu \\ \dot{X}^\mu X'^\mu & X'^\mu X'^\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

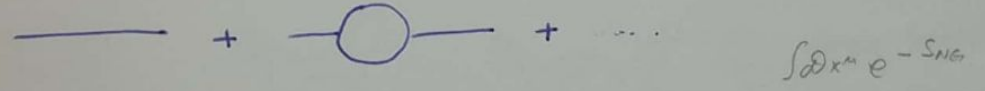
$$\dot{X}^\mu = \frac{dX^\mu}{d\tau} \quad X'^\mu = \frac{dX^\mu}{d\sigma}$$

string tension $[T] \propto (\text{length})^{-2}$, $\alpha' = l_s^2$ string length
energy/unit length

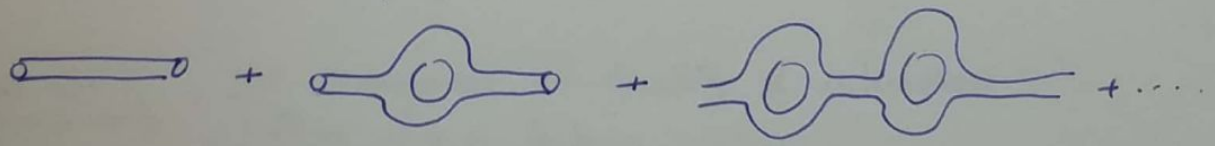
the amplitude for a string to propagate from some initial to some final state is given by the path int. $\int \mathcal{D}X^\mu e^{iS_{NG}(X^\mu)}$



to include perturbative interactions, in QFT we sum up Feynman diagrams



in string theory: Σ up smooth 2d surfaces (Euclidean for convenience)



locally, the wsheet is same as in the free case & interactions arise only from the global topology of the worldsheet

one may add a weighting factor for \neq topologies by letting

$$S_{string} = S_{NG} + 2\pi \alpha' \chi \quad \chi = \text{Euler character of the surface}$$

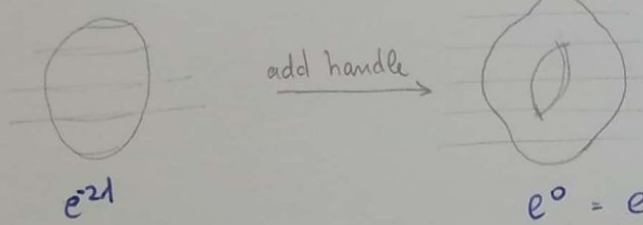
for e.g. vacuum processes we have

$$Z_{string} = e^{+2d} \times \text{---} \circ \text{---} + \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} + e^{2d} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \circ \text{---} + \dots$$

same genus exp. we found in large N gauge th!

$e^2 \rightarrow$ interpreted as ampl. for emitting a string $\sim g_s$

string coupling

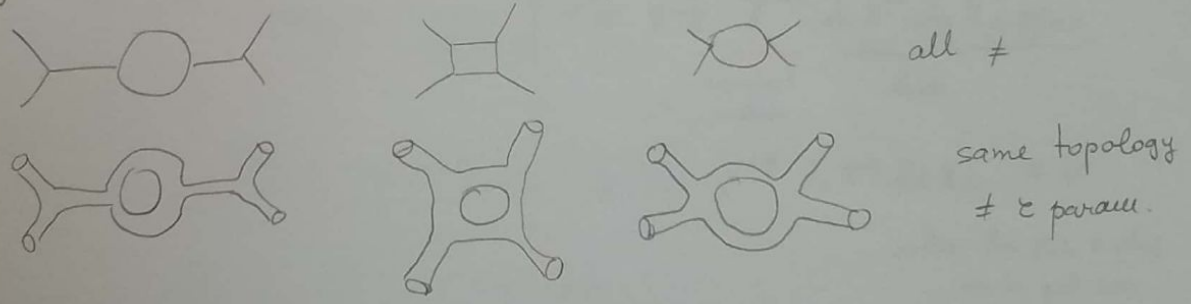


e^{2d}
string emerges/nucleates from \emptyset gets reabs. into vac.

$e^0 = e^{-2d} \cdot e^{2d}$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} e^d \text{ emit} \\ e^d \text{ reabsorb} \end{array} \right.$
 string emerges from vac spits out a string, reabs. it & disappears into vac

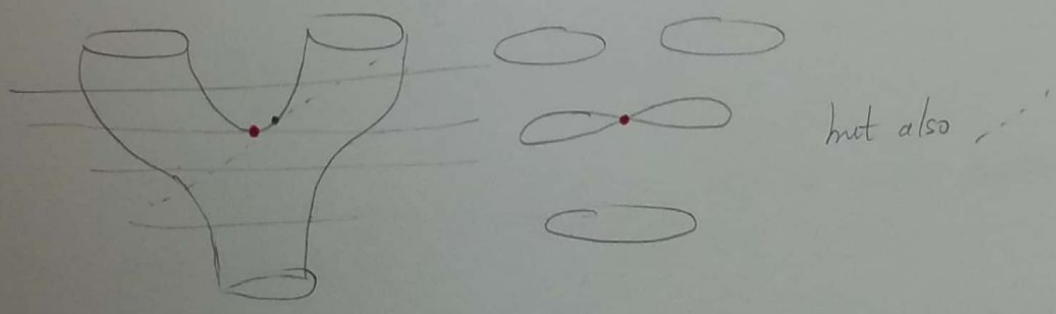
thus string perturbation th. \rightarrow classification of euclidean 2d surfaces
simple \rightarrow genus g

in a certain limit, one may think of string "Feynman" diagrams as just fattened QFT diag \rightarrow note, however, that # of string diag. @ given loop order \ll # QFT Feynman diagrams, e.g.



in QFT, UV divergences \leftarrow locality of interactions

in string theory, interaction is smoothened out in spt \rightarrow no UV divs



thus, I sketched ^{who} str. pert. th. is org. in a genus exp. let me now argue it contains gravity (more work!)
($\&$ gauge th.)

Spectrum of the bosonic string

• action $S_{NG} = - \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{-\det(\partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X_\mu)}$
 ↳ D scalars from w-sheet perspective

• symmetries : D -dim'l Poincaré $X'^M(\tau, \sigma) = \Lambda^M_\nu X^\nu(\tau, \sigma) + a^M$
 ↳ Lorentz transl.
 - reparametrization invar $(\tau, \sigma) \rightarrow (\tau'(\tau, \sigma), \sigma'(\tau, \sigma))$
 ↳ constraints

• $\frac{i\hbar}{\hbar}$ cls \rightarrow quantum th \rightarrow path int. over X^μ $\int \mathcal{D}X^\mu e^{-S}$

hard to deal w/ the square root NG action

• a classically equiv. form of the string action : Polyakov action

$$S_P[X^\mu, \gamma_{ab}] = - \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{-\gamma} \underbrace{\gamma^{ab}}_{\text{w-sheet metric}} \underbrace{\partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X_\nu}_{\text{has}} \eta_{\mu\nu}$$

• γ_{ab} e.o.m. $T_{ab} = \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X_\mu - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_{ab} \gamma^{cd} \partial_c X^\mu \partial_d X_\mu = 0$

• symmetries S_P : Poincaré, reparam τ \rightarrow Weyl : $\gamma_{ab} \rightarrow e^{2\phi(\tau, \sigma)} \gamma_{ab}$
 ↳ arbitrary rescalings of the metric keeping angles fixed

• can use these to gauge-fix $\gamma_{ab} = \eta_{ab}$ (\checkmark cls th.)

• residual freedom : conformal transf.

• we basically get D free bosons, but w/ some constraints ($T_{ab}=0$)
 CFT₂

$$\dot{X}^\mu X'_\mu = 0 \quad \dot{X}^2 + X'^2 = 0$$

useful to introduce lightcone coord on w-sheet $\sigma^\pm = \tau \pm \sigma$
 ↳ LM RM

then constraints : $(\partial_+ X)^2 = \partial_+ X^\mu \partial_+ X_\mu = 0 \quad (\partial_- X)^2 = \partial_- X^\mu \partial_- X_\mu = 0$

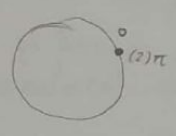
• hmd. cond. the variation of the action is

$$\delta S = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \left[\int d\tau d\sigma (\eta^{ab} \partial_a \partial_b X^\mu) \delta X^\mu - \int d\tau \partial_\sigma X^\mu \delta X^\mu \Big|_{\sigma=0}^{\pi} \right]$$

π for closed

for the action to be minimized, need not only $\square X^\mu = (\partial_\sigma^2 - \partial_\tau^2) X^\mu = 0$ but also the appropriate hmd. conditions. Several possibilities

• closed strings: periodic & continuous



$$X^\mu(\tau, 0) = X^\mu(\tau, 2\pi), \quad \partial_\sigma X^\mu(\tau, 0) = \partial_\sigma X^\mu(\tau, 2\pi)$$

• open strings: Neumann hmd. cond $\partial_\sigma X^\mu(\tau, \sigma) \Big|_{\sigma=0}^{\pi} = 0$



endpct. can sit anywhere in tg. sp.

• Dirichlet hmd. cond $\delta X^\mu(\tau, \sigma) \Big|_{\sigma=0, \pi} = 0$

endpct. are @ fixed positions in target space

• sols to the e.o.m. can be expanded in modes

$$X^\mu(\tau, \sigma) = X_L^\mu(\sigma^+) + X_R^\mu(\sigma^-) \quad \text{left \& right-moving}$$

$$X_L^\mu(\sigma^+) = \frac{1}{2} x^\mu + \frac{1}{2} \alpha' p^\mu \sigma^+ + i \sqrt{\frac{\alpha'}{2}} \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{1}{n} \alpha_n^\mu e^{-in\sigma^+}$$

$\underbrace{x^\mu}_{\text{C.M. position}}$ $\underbrace{p^\mu}_{\text{C.M. momentum}}$ $\underbrace{\alpha_n^\mu}_{\text{oscillators}}$

closed str. reality cond $(\alpha_n^\mu)^\dagger = \alpha_{-n}^\mu$

• $p^\mu =$ momentum in target sp. (symm. assoc. w/ $X^\mu \rightarrow X^\mu + c^\mu$)

$p^2 \rightarrow$ - mass² of the string \approx looks pointlike from far away
mass of the assoc. particles (spectrum)

• open strings: X_R^μ det. by X_L^μ via hmd. cond. $\partial_\sigma X^\mu \Big|_{0, \pi} = 0$
(Neumann) $\Rightarrow \alpha_n^\mu = \alpha_n^\mu$

+ constraints $(\partial_+ X)^2 = (\partial_- X)^2 = 0$

• quantization : promote $\alpha_n^\mu, \tilde{\alpha}_n^\mu$ to operators w/ canonical comm. rels

$$\Leftrightarrow [X^\mu(\sigma, \tau), \Pi_\nu(\sigma', \tau)] = i \delta^\mu_\nu \delta(\sigma - \sigma') \quad \{X^\mu, X^\nu\} = \{\Pi_\mu, \Pi_\nu\} = 0$$

& require that physical states be annih. by the constraints (careful!)

$$[X^\mu, p_\nu] = i \delta^\mu_\nu \quad [\alpha_m^\mu, \alpha_n^\nu] = [\tilde{\alpha}_m^\mu, \tilde{\alpha}_n^\nu] = m \eta^{\mu\nu} \delta_{m+n,0}$$

2 ∞ towers of osc.

$\alpha_n^+ = \alpha_{-n}$ α_{-n} : creation ops, α_n : annih. ops.

(standard. cr-annih. ops $\alpha_n^+ = \alpha_{-n} = \frac{\alpha_{-n}}{\sqrt{n}}$, $n > 0 \geq \alpha_n$)

• build Fock space as in standard QFT

$$\alpha_n^\mu |0\rangle = \tilde{\alpha}_n^\mu |0\rangle = 0, \quad \forall n > 0$$

$\hat{p}^\mu |0\rangle = p^\mu |0\rangle$ b/c this is vacuum st. of a single string, which can carry momentum \rightarrow write $|0; p\rangle$

- excited states $\alpha_{-1}^{\mu_1} \dots \alpha_{-1}^{\mu_n} \alpha_{-2}^{\nu_1} \dots \alpha_{-2}^{\nu_p} \dots |0, p\rangle$

classified into representations of the target sp. lorentz gp.

• the constraints are

$$\underbrace{\partial_\tau X^\mu \cdot \partial_\tau X_\mu}_{\frac{1}{2} \alpha' p^\mu + \sqrt{\frac{\alpha'}{2}} \sum_{n \neq 0} \alpha_n^\mu e^{-in\sigma}} = \frac{\alpha'}{2} \sum_{m,p} \alpha_m^\mu (\alpha_p)_\mu e^{-i(m+p)\sigma} = \frac{\alpha'}{2} \sum_n \overbrace{\sum_m \alpha_m^\mu (\alpha_{n-m})_\mu}^{2L_n} e^{-in\sigma}$$

\rightarrow need to (normal) order

• cannot impose $L_n |phys\rangle = 0, \forall n$, b/c $[L_m, L_n] \sim \delta_{m+n,0}$

- only impose this for $n > 0$.

• we thus require that $L_n |phys\rangle = 0, \forall n > 0$
 (normal ordering const. $(a=1)$)
 $(L_0 - a) |phys\rangle = 0$

+ RM (if closed string) $\sqrt{\alpha'}$

$$L_0 = \frac{\alpha'}{4} p^2 + \sum_{n > 0} \alpha_{-n}^\mu \alpha_{n,\mu} \quad \tilde{L}_0 = \dots$$

the operator $\sum_n \alpha_{-n}^\mu \alpha_{n,\mu}$ counts # α_{-n} 's w/ a factor of n in front when acting on the Fock space states \rightarrow level $N = \sum_n n N_n$

remembering that $p^2 = -M^2$ (mass² in tg. sp), the phys st. cond. for $\alpha_{-1}, \tilde{\alpha}_{-1}$

lead to the mass-shell cond $M^2 = \frac{4}{\alpha'} (N-a) = \frac{4}{\alpha'} (\tilde{N}-a)$ $a=1$

det. spacetime spectrum of the string

- note in the closed string $N = \tilde{N}$ (level matching)
- consistency : $a=1$ & $D=26$ ($a = \frac{D-2}{24}$)

Lessons : (1) From a target space persp., the various excit. of the string \leftrightarrow ∞ tower of massive (higher spin) particles w/ M^2 as above \rightarrow spacing $\propto 1/\alpha'$
(they all fit into massless/massive reps of Lorentz gp.)

(2) low-lying spectrum

- closed string : $N = \tilde{N} = 0$ tachyon ($M^2 = -\frac{4}{\alpha'}$)
unstable vacuum \rightarrow ignore (susy)

- $N = \tilde{N} = 1$ $\alpha_{-1}^\mu \tilde{\alpha}_{-1}^\nu |0, p\rangle$

w/ $M^2 = 0$

in terms of $SO(1, D-1)$ reps :

$g_{\mu\nu}$	$B_{\mu\nu}$	Φ
symm. traceless	antisymm	dilaton
spin 2	B-field	$\int d^D x \phi R^2$
graviton!	gauge field	$\approx \phi X$
\downarrow	couple to string	$g_s = e^{\phi}$
$\int d^D x G_{\mu\nu} \partial_a X^\mu \partial^a X^\nu$	$\int d^D x A_{\mu\nu} \dot{X}^\mu \dot{X}^\nu$	exp. rule 4 field
	$\int d^D x B_{\mu\nu} \epsilon^{ab} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X^\nu$	

contains gravity! \leftarrow massless spin 2

• only consistent QG we know of!

massless string mode prop. on fixed Minkowski backgnd \Rightarrow target sp. geom. becomes dynamical!

@ low energies ($E \ll \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha'}}$) the massive string modes can be neglected

=> effective action for the massless ones $S_{EH} + S_B + S_\phi$ coupled

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^D x \sqrt{-G} e^{-2\phi} \left[R - \frac{1}{12} H_{\mu\nu\rho} H^{\mu\nu\rho} + 4 \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi + \mathcal{O}(\alpha') \right]$$

$\partial_\mu B_{\nu\rho} + \partial_\sigma B_{\rho\mu} + \partial_\rho B_{\mu\nu}$

higher order corr. suppressed by α'

→ standard Einstein gravity @ low eng.

- open string (low-lying spectrum) $M^2 = \frac{1}{\alpha'} (N-1)$

- $N=0$ tachyon (ignore)

- $N=1$ $\alpha_{-1}^\mu |0, p\rangle \rightarrow$ photon A_μ $\int_{\Sigma} dt A_\mu \frac{dx^\mu}{dt}$ coupling
 spin 1. contains gauge fields $\neq \int d^D x \left(-\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right)$

• if we consider instead superstrings (add fermions on n -sheet)

- (+) can project out the tachyons (stable vacuum)

- makes sense in $D=10$

- additional massless fields: p -forms $C_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p}$ $\overset{IB}{\text{even}} / \overset{IA}{\text{odd}}$
 antisymm. + gauge + fermions

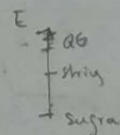
- has target sp. supersymmetry (low-eng. eff. action highly constrained)

e.g. $S_{IIB} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^7 \alpha'^4} \int d^{10} x \sqrt{-G} \left[e^{-2\phi} \left(R + 4(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{12} H_{\mu\nu\rho}^2 \right) - \frac{1}{2} F_\mu^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu\rho}^2 + \frac{\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^2}{5!} \right]$
 + CS terms + fermions careful

• effective 10d Newton's const. $G_{10} \sim \frac{g_s^2}{\alpha'^4}$ $g_s = \langle e^\phi \rangle$ vev dilaton

part. string + sp - two scales: $l_s = \sqrt{\alpha'}$ effects of massive string modes

$\sum_{g=0}^{\infty} g_s^{2g-2} \mathcal{F}_g(\frac{\alpha'}{R^2})$ $l_p = g_s^{1/4} l_s$ QG effects. Note $l_p \ll l_s$ if g_s small
 Planck scale background



D-branes

- all discussion so far was perturbative (in g_s)
- will now discuss sth that will turn out to be non-perturbative
- they lead to huge progress in string theory
 - 1st microscopic explanation of black hole entropy $S = \ln \Omega$
 - the discovery of AdS/CFT
- importantly, \exists two ways to think about them

① remember open strings can have either Neumann ($\partial_\sigma X^\mu = 0$) or Dirichlet ($\delta X^\mu = 0$) bnd. cond. @ their endpoints

- a D_p-brane (^{Dirichlet membrane} $p+1$ dim'l hypersurface, $p \neq$ spatial dir) is specified by: Neumann bnd. cond along the hypersurf.

$$\partial_\sigma X^\mu |_{\sigma=0,\pi} = 0 \quad \mu = \{0, \dots, p\}$$

- Dirichlet b.c. in the transverse directions

$$\delta X^m |_{\sigma=0,\pi} = 0 \quad m = \{p+1, \dots, D-1\}$$



• a priori, just a hyperplane where open strings can end

• however, it should be considered a fully dynamical object

- remember a massless open string excit is a gauge field, which couples as $\int A_\mu \dot{X}^\mu dt$ to the string endpoints all Nauman

- \exists a symmetry of string th. (T-duality) that turns $N \leftrightarrow D$ nd. cond.

$$N: \int A_\mu \dot{X}^\mu \quad D: \int \phi_m \partial_n X^m$$

- from the hyperplane's point of view we now have a $p+1$ dim'l vector A_μ & $D-p-1$ scalars ϕ^m (\leftarrow from A_m before T-duality)
- the scalars ϕ^m (massless open string excit) should be thought of as the transverse displacement of the Dp-brane
 - this is similar to the closed string case, where a massless closed string excit ($h_{\mu\nu} \alpha_{-1}^\mu \alpha_{-1}^\nu |0, p\rangle$) about flat target sp. corresponds to a fluctuation of the tg. sp. geom
 - here, a massless open string state (ϕ^m) \rightarrow fluctuation of the hypersurf. \Rightarrow D-branes are dynamical objects (makes sense since in the grav \neq rigid objects)
- low-eng. eff. action $\sim \frac{1}{g_{sd}^2} \int d^{p+1}x \left(-\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + (\partial_\mu \phi^m)^2 \right)$
- generaliz: interesting to add labels to the open string endpoints \uparrow non-dyn. d.o.f.



Chan-Paton factors

\approx QCD string, these would be quarks
level $(=1)$

- general open string state $|N, p, ij\rangle$ $ij = \{1, \dots, N\}$
- we now have N^2 massless gauge fields A_μ^{ij} ($\approx N^2$ scalars ϕ_{ij}^m if Dirichlet)
- (Hermitian matrices) w/ a $U(N)$ symm acting on these, as can be seen from low-eng. eff. action

all N :
$$S = \frac{1}{g_{sd}^2} \int d^D x \left[-\frac{1}{4} \text{tr}(F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}) \right] \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu - \frac{1}{2} [A_\mu, A_\nu]$$

- invar under $U(N)$ gauge symm $A_\mu \rightarrow U A_\mu U^{-1} + \frac{1}{g} \partial_\mu U U^{-1}$
- so a global w/het symm \mapsto gauge tg. sp. symm
- in presence of both N & D brd. cond w/ Chan-Paton factors, the low-eng. eff action of the concep N D-branes is

$$S = \frac{1}{g_{sd}^2} \int d^{p+1}x \left[-\frac{1}{4} \text{tr}(F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}) + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\partial_\mu \phi^m \partial^\mu \phi_m) + \text{tr}[\phi^m, \phi^n]^2 \right]$$

the coupling of the D-branes to the target sp. fields is

$$S_{DBI} = - \frac{1}{\alpha' \frac{p+1}{2}} \int d^{p+1}x \left\{ e^{-\phi} \sqrt{-\det(G_{\mu\nu} + B_{\mu\nu} + 2\alpha' F_{\mu\nu})} + O[(X^M, X^N)^2] \right\}$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$
 induced metric \approx B-field
 world vol + corr. $G_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu X^M \partial_\nu X^N G_{MN}$ etc.

physical tension is $\frac{1}{g_s \alpha' \frac{p+1}{2}}$ \Rightarrow non-perturbative object (very heavy for $g_s \ll 1$)

this action reduces to the one above for $E \ll \frac{1}{\alpha'}$

in superstring theory D_p -branes can be shown to carry RR charge
 $\int d^{p+1}x C_{M_1 \dots M_{p+1}}^{(p+1)} \epsilon_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{p+1}} \approx$ to preserve half supersymmetry

(important for their identifi @ strong coupling)

- low-energy effective action = susy version of $U(N)$ Yang-Mills
- $g_{YM}^2 = g_s \alpha' \frac{p-3}{2}$, For $p=3$ the SYM theory is conformally inv.
- g_{YM} is an exactly marginal coupling

To sum up: D -branes are non-pert. obj, must be incl in open str. th via T-duality, $1/2$ susy & charged under the RR $(p+1)$ -form fields.
 - described by SYM @ low eng (tractable @ small 't Hooft coupling $\lambda = Ng_s^2$)

2. D_p -branes: solitonic sols of the low-eng eff. action

- extended in $p+1$ directions
 - charged under RR fields
 - $1/2$ susy if extremal
- basically, extended generaliz. of the Reissner-Nordström black hole.

the only terms in the eff action we will need are with $R=0$, dual
 $S = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2 \alpha'^4} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{g} \left[e^{-2\phi} (R + 4(\partial\phi)^2) - \frac{2}{(p-1)!} F_{p+2}^2 \right]$

RR field strength

look for a sol'n w/ $R^{1,p}$ Poincaré sym & spherically sym. in \perp $9-p$ directions
 P external

the sol'n for the (string frame) metric & dilaton is

$$ds^2 = + \frac{1}{\sqrt{H(r)}} (-dt^2 + dx_1^2 + \dots + dx_{p-1}^2) + \sqrt{H(r)} (dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_{p-2}^2)$$

$$e^\phi = g_s H(r)^{\frac{3-p}{4}} \quad H(r) = 1 + \frac{g_s^2 N \alpha'^{\frac{7-p}{2}}}{r^{7-p}}$$

also $C_{0\dots p} = H^{-1}(r)$ charge N under F_{p+2} $\int_{S^{8-p}} *F_{p+2} = N$

to better underst. the analogy w/ RN black holes, remember they have

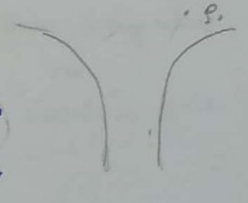
$$ds^2 = - \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r} + \frac{GQ^2}{r^2} \right) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 - \frac{2GM}{r} + \frac{GQ^2}{r^2}} + r^2 d\Omega_2^2 \quad A_0 = \frac{Q}{r}$$

horizons @ $r_{\pm} = GM \pm \sqrt{(GM)^2 - GQ^2}$ extremal for $M = Q/\sqrt{G}$
Hawking temp. vanishes.

spt. geom develops a very long throat

$$\text{dist} \left(\frac{r_0}{r}, \frac{r_+}{r} \right) = \int_{r_+}^{r_0} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{2GM}{r} + \frac{GQ^2}{r^2}}} = 2 \ln \left(\sqrt{r_+ - r_0} + \sqrt{r - r_0} \right) \Big|_{r_+}^{r_0}$$

$$\approx -\ln(r_+ - r_0) \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } r_+ \rightarrow r_0$$



if the b.h. is extremal $f(r) = \left(1 - \frac{Q\sqrt{G}}{r} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{r}{r + Q\sqrt{G}} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{Q\sqrt{G}}{r} \right)^2}$

horizon is @ $r=0$ in this coord ↑
analogous $H(r)$
D-brane

D_p -branes have a horizon @ $r=0$. (more generally, @ analogue of r_+ if non-extremal)

for $p \leq 6$ \exists also curvature sing @ r_+ ; extremal: null sing. @ horizon if $p \neq 3$

for $p < 3$, dilaton blows up @ horizon \hookrightarrow smooth if $p=3$.

$p=3$ extremal sol'n smooth & can be ext. past hor.

also $e^\phi = \text{const}$ \rightarrow will concentrate on this from now on



• before moving on to the deriv. of the AdS/CFT corresp, let us comment on the range of validity of this sol'n:

• note we used classical supergravity, which is valid provided:
- curvatures are smaller than string scale (stringy corr. are negligible)

size S^5 in n.h. lim. given by (= horizon radius in original case).

$(\pm g_s N \alpha'^2)^{1/4} \gg \sqrt{\alpha'}$ \Rightarrow $g_s N \gg 1$

⊙ Note from p.d.v. of the gauge th. descr. this is the regime of very large 't Hooft coupling (hard to calc. in f.t.h)

- also need to suppress string loops. $\Rightarrow g_s \ll 1$ ($\Rightarrow l_p \ll l_s$)

- this, need $1 \ll g_s N < N$ N large $g_s N$ large.

alternatively
• more gen $r_p^8 = g_s^2 \alpha'^4 \ll r_+^8 = (g_s N \alpha'^2)^2 \Rightarrow N \gg 1$ QG suppressed, but not necessarily stringy

$\sim g_s N \gg 1$ sugra valid

$\sim g_s N < 1$ highly stringy, but not QG

• for non-conformal branes ($p \neq 3$), sugra description only valid for a certain range of r . (nicely fits w/ $r \leftrightarrow$ energy scale, but do this later)

Summary

• D-branes are well-descr by gauge th for $E \ll \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha'}}$, w/ pert. calc. valid for $g_s N \ll 1$

- well-described by sugra for $g_s N \gg 1$, w/ $N \gg 1$

• the identifi. of the 2 descr. (highly non-triv!) follows from BPS, charges. \leftrightarrow duality \leftarrow more precisely? string th. considerations

Deriving the AdS5/CFT4 corresp.



- consider now the coupled brane/bulk system
- consider IB string th. in flat sp. + N // D3 branes (sitting very close to each other) along x^0, \dots, x^3
- string th. in this backgnd. contains 2 types of excit.:
 - closed strings (excit. empty sp)
 - open strings (excit. D-branes)
- if we consider very low energies $E \ll \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha'}}$, then only massless states will be excited.

eff. Lagr. for them (Wilsonia)

$$S = S_{\text{bulk}} + S_{\text{brane}} + S_{\text{int}}$$

S_{bulk} : 10d sugra (+ higher deriv) that take into account effect of int-out massive string modes.
 S_{brane} : $d=4$ SYM + higher deriv. corr. $\int F^2 dx^4$.
 S_{int} : int. b/w brane & bulk. $(\propto G_N) \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int dx^4 \sqrt{-\det(g_{ab} + 2\pi\alpha' F_{ab} + d'A_b)}$

positive powers
 let $g = \eta + kh$, $k \sim \sqrt{G_N}$
 $\partial \perp R \sqrt{g} \rightarrow (\partial h)^2$ to lowest order
 then a term $h^e A^e \partial^2$ comes w/ coeff $\frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} (kh)^e (\frac{1}{\alpha'})$

to underst. better what happens in the low eng. limit, $E \ll \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha'}}$, one may keep E fixed & send $d' \rightarrow 0$ w/ g_s, N fixed.

- open string picture
- then $G_N = g_s^2 d'^4 \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow S_{\text{int}} = 0$, ~~$S_{\text{higher deriv}} = 0$~~
 - $S_{\text{higher deriv}} \rightarrow 0$ / both on brane & in the bulk
- ① $\Rightarrow S = S_{\text{bulk}} + S_{\text{brane}}$
- S_{bulk} : free gravity in flat sp. (very low eng. lim)
 S_{brane} : $d=4$ SYM

two decoupled systems

• now, consider the same limit, viewing the D-branes as sugra sols ②

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{H(r)}} (-dt^2 + dx_1^2 + \dots + dx_3^2) + \sqrt{H(r)} (dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_5^2) \quad e^{\hat{t}} = g_s$$

$$F_5 = (1 + *) dt \wedge dx^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge dx^3 \wedge d(H^{-1}) \quad H(r) = 1 + \frac{4\pi g_s N \alpha'^2}{r^4}$$

note that, due to the warp factor, the energy of an obj. measured from ∞ & by an obs P @ r are rel by

$$E_\infty = E_P \sqrt{g_{tt}(r)} \quad E_\infty \sqrt{g_{tt}(r)}$$

redshift factor (coupled string vs Einst. unit. for p & z)

$$E_\infty = \frac{E(r)}{H^{1/4}} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } r \rightarrow 0$$



• => same object, if brought closer $\kappa \rightarrow 0$ appears to have lower & lower eng from the p.d.v. of ∞ ($E(r)$ could be rest mass.)

- taking the low energy limit mentioned above \rightarrow 2 types of low-eng. excitations from the p.d.v. of an obs @ ∞
 - long wavelength modes prop. in the bulk (near ∞)
 - modes very close to $\kappa=0$ (inside the throat), There, the geom. is

($H(r) \propto \frac{R^4}{r^4}$, w/ $R^4 = 4\pi g_s N \alpha'^2$)

$$ds^2 = \underbrace{\frac{r^2}{R^2} (-dt^2 + dx_1^2 + dx_2^2 + dx_3^2)}_{AdS_5} + \underbrace{R^2 \frac{dr^2}{r^2}}_x + \underbrace{R^2 d\Omega_5^2}_{S^5} \quad \text{w/ radius } R$$

- these two types of modes completely decouple in the low eng. limit.
- for modes in the throat, hard to climb out.

• consider throwing up a part from some $r_0 \ll 1$

• cons. eng. along geodesic $E = -g_{tt} \frac{dt}{d\tau} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{H}} + 3\left(\frac{dt}{dr}\right)^2 + g_{rr} \left(\frac{dr}{d\tau}\right)^2 = -1$

• conversely, ~~for~~ modes w/ λ large / w small do not "see" the D-branes throat region (\sim size R)

(the abs. cross section $\sigma \sim w^3 R^8$ for w small)

• we see that from either p.d.v. of the D-branes, we obtain 2 decoupled systems one of which is free supra in flat sp. \Rightarrow natural to identify the other two

$\neq N, g_s$ $\kappa=0$ region of the D3 soln.

$D=4$ SYM th. on $R^{1,3}$ = IB ~~string th.~~ ^{string th.} on $AdS_5 \times S^5$

• to see we get full type IB: we want to ~~#~~ take the $\alpha' \rightarrow 0$ limit \exists energies in the throat are fixed in string units (consider arbitrary excited (stringy) st. from n.h. p.d.v.) This $\Rightarrow E_p \sqrt{\alpha'}$ fixed



• $E_p \sqrt{\alpha'}$ fixed \rightarrow

$$E_\infty = H^{1/4} E_p \approx \frac{E_{fixed}}{(g_s N)^{1/4} \sqrt{\alpha'}}$$

• since E_∞ is the energy measured in field theory \rightarrow fixed $\rightarrow r \propto \alpha'$ as $\alpha' \rightarrow 0$
 or, take $\alpha' \rightarrow 0$ w/ $u \equiv \frac{r}{\alpha'}$ fixed. (also, gauge boson mass arg $m \sim \frac{r}{\alpha'}$ fixed, understand!)

• (letting $r = \alpha' u$, then notice $ds^2 = \alpha' \left(\frac{u^2}{(g_s N)^{1/2}} (-dt^2 + \dots) + \frac{du^2}{\alpha^2} (\alpha N)^{1/2} + (g_{YM})^2 \dots \right)$

• notice string the side appears to have both $g_s \propto \alpha'$, while YM side only $g_{YM}^2 = g_s$
 - however, α' actually drops out from string side; in part, plugging in $r = u \alpha'$ into $ds^2 \propto \alpha'$ \rightarrow overall factor that cancels from phys. quantities (how about finite size?)

- we may work in terms of a rescaled metric $ds^2 \rightarrow ds'^2 = R^2 ds^2$ (effectively, this sets $R=1$)

you are in 't Hooft limit

$$\Rightarrow \alpha' \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_s N}} \quad \& \quad G_N = g_s^2 \alpha'^4 \sim \frac{1}{N^2}$$

controls α' corr (strings) controls QG corr.

(\forall quantity calc in pure grav is indep of $g_s N$)

• as already discussed, QG effects are suppressed for N large (if $g_s \rightarrow 0$ then not good large, the dimensionless ratio)

- supra valid for $R \gg \sqrt{\alpha'}$ \Rightarrow $g_s N$ large
 $g_{YM}^2 N$ 't Hooft coupling of SYM (part)

• notice the range of $g_s N = g_{YM}^2 N$ for which the supra / SYM deriv. are valid (& controllable) are perfectly incompatible

- this is actually good, as it would have been strange if 2 theories that a priori look so different are the same.

- thus AdS/CFT is a strong / weak coupling duality exp. { • hard to prove • useful: s-dual chiral strong coupling vs weak coupling } when one side is weakly coupled (easy to compute), the other one is str., so hard



• why is this argument not a proof?


- because we do not know how to www.ictp.it treat the string th. side non-perturbatively (not even in principle).
- can distinguish ≠ "strengths" of the proposed corresp.
 - weakest: SYM is described by grav. @ large N & $g_s N = \lambda$, but the full string th ≠ field theory (e.g., 'x corr would not agree) Tests? w/o sug.
 - medium, SYM = str. th. $\forall \lambda = g_s N$, but only for $N \rightarrow \infty$ (so, 'N corr. may not agree)
 - strong form, & most interesting: true @ $\forall g_s, N$ can use the CFT (w/ SYM) Tests? w/o sug. to define what we mean by QG in AdS. non-pert. str. th.

Current status of tests strength? (w/o sug?)

- if the CFT is used to define the gravity theory, then the AdS radial direction & gravity are emergent from the CFT p.d.r. What is their meaning in the CFT?
- traditionally, r has been associated w/ the energy scale in the dual CFT.

to see this, note that $E_{FT} = \epsilon = \sqrt{g_{tt}} E_{propen}(r) \rightarrow \infty$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$

$Size_{FT} = \frac{1}{r}$ (propen size) $\rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$



• thus, short distances / high energies in FT \leftrightarrow large r in gravity known as UV/IR corresp

- more recently, spt architecture (connectedness, geom) as well as the emergence of gravity have been connected to the structure of entanglement in the CFT. (will discuss in last lecture)



* Generalizations

• the above decoupling arg. can be run also for other brane systems in string / M-theory (11d th - strong coupling lim of type IIA)

(=>) other proposed dualities b/w CFTs & string / M-th (large M)

- D1-D5 ↔ IB on $AdS_3 \times S^2 \times T^4$
- M5 / M2 ↔ $AdS_7 \times S^4$ & $AdS_4 \times S^7$ backgrounds in M-th

• there also ∃ decoupling limits that yield non-conformal (& non-local) th

- D_p for $p \neq 3$ complicated background
- NSS-branes (LST) & 7d AF spt. w/ linear dilaton $\times S^3$
- D_p -branes in non-trivial B-field background. → non-commutative FT string th. ⇒ funny backgrounds

• all these are explicit examples of holographic dualities b/w gravitational theories (string th on some background) & non-gravitational ones living in one (non-compact) dim. less.

• all non-trivial realiz of the holographic principle within the str. th. context

* How to test this duality? → need a dictionary!

• since the theories are supposed to be the same,

$$Z_{gravity} [bnd\ cond] = Z_{FT} [operator\ sources]$$

in a th. of grav, doesn't make sense to fix background (but can fix it asympt)
 ∑ all geom. w/ fixed on all crag. inside
 top change allowed

can fluctuate inside

careful

will concentrate on the AdS/CFT examples from now on

- best understood
- universal flavour to the corresp, partly due to CFTs having a univ, axiomatic defⁿ that is also valid @ strong coupling (encompass all examples w/ a univ set. of rules)

The AdS/CFT dictionary

AdS	CFT
symm	✓ same
states spectrum	✓
fields	operators

- you have already learned that the (global) conf. gp in d dimensions is $SO(d,2)$
- one can discuss the symm. of AdS @ 2 levels
 - symm. of the vacuum solⁿ (isometries of empty AdS)
 - symm. of the theory → asympt. sym. of AdS.

I will start w/ the first of these

Anti-de Sitter spacetimes

i) AdS_{d+1} maximally symm. spt (# KV $\frac{(d+1)(d+2)}{2}$) of const. negative curvature

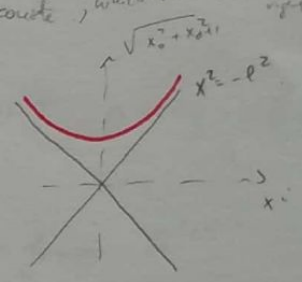
$R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = -\frac{1}{l^2} (g_{\mu\rho}g_{\nu\sigma} - g_{\mu\sigma}g_{\nu\rho})$
 as computing using the expl. KV $SO(d,2)$ algebra

same curv. everywhere
rot.

• isometry gp $SO(d,2)$ (for Lorentzian AdS_{d+1}) → same as "Lorentz" in $\mathbb{R}^{d,2}$
 will now show global AdS can be obtained from a universal $SO(d,2)$ action constraint, which is not unitary

• simplest construction: embed into $\mathbb{R}^{d,2}$, w/ metric

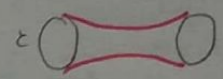
$ds^2 = \tilde{\eta}_{MN} dx^M dx^N$
 (manifest $SO(d,2)$)
 $\tilde{\eta} = \begin{pmatrix} - & & & & & \\ & + & & & & \\ & & + & & & \\ & & & + & & \\ & & & & + & \\ & & & & & - \end{pmatrix}$



∩ restrict to hyperboloid $\tilde{\eta}_{MN} x^M x^N = -l^2$ $SO(d,2)$ invariant constraint

• a metric on AdS_{d+1} can be obtained by writing down an explicit coord system that solves the constraint, e.g.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x^0 &= l \cosh \rho \cos \tau \\ x^{d+1} &= l \cosh \rho \sin \tau \\ x^i &= l \sinh \rho \Omega_i, \text{ w/ } \sum_{i=1}^d \Omega_i^2 = 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{global coord}$$



$\rho \in [0, \infty)$, $\tau \in (0, 2\pi)$
 covers hyperboloid once

$ds^2 = l^2 (-\cosh^2 \rho d\tau^2 + d\rho^2 + \sinh^2 \rho d\Omega_{d-1}^2)$
 before decomp decompositly unit S^{d-1} $SO(d)$ manifest.

• manifest $SO(2) \times SO(d) \subset SO(d,2)$

letting $ds = \frac{1}{\cosh \rho}$ the metric conf to that on ∞ cap

the conformal generators can be easily identified from the embedding space using

$$J_{AB} = -i \left(X_A \frac{\partial}{\partial X^B} - X_B \frac{\partial}{\partial X^A} \right) \quad \text{actual gen?}$$

the quadratic Casimir $\frac{1}{2} J_{AB} J^{AB}$ is identified w/ the AdS Laplacian (only isometry-invar 2nd order diff. op)

acting on e.g. a scalar, we have $\frac{1}{2} J_{AB} J^{AB} \phi = \left[-X^2 \underbrace{\square_X}_{\mathbb{R}^{d+2} \text{ Laplacian}} + X \cdot \partial_X (d + X \cdot \partial_X) \right] \phi$ resp.

$\mathbb{R}^{d,2}$ can be foliated by AdS_{d+1} slices w/ $ds_M^2 = -dt^2 + l^2 ds_{AdS_{d+1}}^2$

the Laplacian is $\square_X = -\partial_t^2 - \frac{d+1}{l} \partial_t + \square_{AdS}$
 l not resc.

$$\frac{1}{2} J_{AB} J^{AB} \phi = \left[l^2 \left(-\partial_t^2 - \frac{d+1}{l} \partial_t + \square_{AdS} \right) + l \partial_t (d + l \partial_t) \right] \phi = l^2 \square_{AdS} \phi$$

- in for a free scalar $\square_{AdS} \phi = m^2 \phi$

in CFT, Casimir $\Delta(\Delta-d) \phi = m^2 l^2 \phi$.
 for a highest-weight repr.

mass of field in spt \leftrightarrow conf. dim. in CFT $\Delta = \frac{d}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} + m^2 l^2}$

similar constr. for euclidean global AdS : start from $\mathbb{R}^{1,d+1}$
 & let $X^0 = l \cosh \rho \cosh \tau$, etc.

AdS spt is non-compact \rightarrow how can we repr. it? conf log

- conformal compactif : given (M, g) non-compact - choose $\tilde{g} = \Omega^2 g$
 $\exists (M, \tilde{g})$ can be embedded into a compact domain of some manif. $\partial \tilde{M} = \text{conf. boundary}$

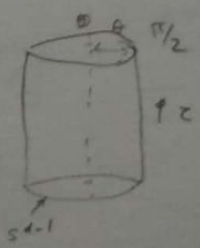
- in practice, choose coord on M w/ finite ranges

$$ds^2 = l^2 \left(-\cosh^2 \rho d\tau^2 + d\rho^2 + \sinh^2 \rho d\Omega_{d-1}^2 \right) \quad \cosh \rho = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \quad \begin{matrix} \rho \in (0, \infty) \\ \theta \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2}) \end{matrix}$$

$$= \frac{l^2}{\cos^2 \theta} \left(-d\tau^2 + d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\Omega_{d-1}^2 \right)$$

metric on half $S^d \times \text{disk}$

- $d\tilde{s}^2 = \cos^2 \theta ds^2 \simeq \text{disk} \times \mathbb{R}_+$



\Rightarrow Penrose diag of $AdS_{d+1} = \infty$ solid cylinders w/ $\text{bound } S^{d-1} \times \mathbb{R}_+$

since $\tilde{g} = \Omega^2 g$, the causal structure w.r.t. \tilde{g} is the same as w.r.t. g
 (even though distances are heavily distorted)

Exercise 1: show that lightrays shot from the center of AdS take a finite coord time to reach the bnd.

(you can assume all motion takes place in the radial plane)

thus, if we impose reflecting bnd. cond^{for lightrays} @ the AdS bnd, they come back in a finite coord time, $\pi \cdot \ell$

this is despite the fact that the dist. along a spacelike geod ($r = \Omega = \infty$) is infinite: $\ell \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d\theta}{\cos\theta}$

AdS acts as a confining box for massive part

Exercise 2 show that a massive part's geodesics never reach the bnd.

(assume, for simplicity, that motion is just in radial plane)

$\partial_t =$ Killing vect \rightarrow cons. quantity $E = - \xi^\mu g_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\nu}{dT} = -g_{tt} \frac{dt}{dT} = \frac{\ell^2}{\cos^2\theta} \frac{dt}{dT}$
 T proper time

$$ds^2 = -dT^2 = \frac{\ell^2}{\cos^2\theta} (d\theta^2 - dt^2) \Rightarrow \frac{\ell^2}{\cos^2\theta} \left(\frac{d\theta}{dT}\right)^2 = \frac{\ell^2}{\cos^2\theta} \left(\frac{E \cos^2\theta}{\ell^2}\right)^2 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos\theta \text{ cannot become too small} \quad = \frac{E^2 \cos^4\theta}{\ell^2} - 1 > 0$$

$$\cos^2\theta_{\min} = \frac{\ell^2}{E^2}$$

light: impose refl bnd. cond. (don't have); not imposing etc bnd evaporate

\Rightarrow AdS behaves as a confining box for massive part. independently of their initial energy.

massless fields can escape, but we usually impose refl. bnd. cond @ ∂ AdS so that they don't.

\exists other useful coord systems in AdS, e.g. Poincaré

embedding $x^0 = \frac{\ell^2 + x_\mu x^\mu + z^2}{2z}$, $x^i = \ell \frac{x^i}{z}$, $x^d = \frac{\ell^2 - x_\mu x^\mu - z^2}{2z}$, $x^{d+1} = \ell \frac{t}{z}$
 $i = 1, \dots, d-1$

$ds^2 = \frac{\ell^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + dz^2)$ $\mathbb{R}^{d-1,1}$
 make Poincaré dilatation symm. manifest $x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu$
 $z \rightarrow \lambda z$
 conf. bnd @ $z = 0$

cover patch AdS



Asymptotic symm

- now, isometries vac. \neq symm. of the theory
- for CFT_d, $d > 2$ the two are the same
- however, in 2d CFTs, the symms of the theory are Vir \times Virasoro

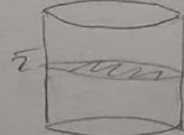
$$[L_m, L_n] = (m-n) L_{m+n} + \frac{c}{12} m(m^2-1) \delta_{m+n,0} + RM(L_m)$$

\downarrow $x^+ \rightarrow k e^{-i m x^+}$ \uparrow quantum anomaly $T^A = -\frac{c}{24\pi} R[\sigma]$
 $P_{non-hir metric}$

- the vacuum state only preserves the global $SO(2,2)$ subgp of $Vir_L \times Vir_R$ w/ gen $L_{0,\pm 1}$ & $\tilde{L}_{0,\pm 1}$

The symms of the theory are repr. in gravity as asymptotic symm.

- usually, one assoc. cont space w/ Noether currents, cons. on-shell $\partial_\mu J^\mu = 0$

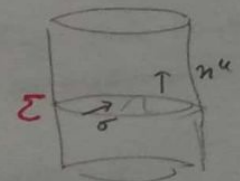
• the cons. charges are given by  $Q = \int_\Sigma d^{d-1} x \dots J^\mu$

- the Noether current stays cons if one adds a hnd term $J^\mu \rightarrow J^\mu + \partial_\nu K^{\mu\nu}$

which contributes to the charge as $\Delta Q = \int_\Sigma d^{d-2} x K^{\mu\nu}$

- if the param of the symm is local $\xi(x^\mu)$ (gauge theory), then the standard assoc Noether current vanishes on-shell up to a hnd. term that can be systematically constructed

- thus, in gauge th (incl. gravity: $\xi^\alpha(x)$), the symms are asymptotic b/c. the cons. charges take the form



$$Q_\xi = \int_\Sigma d^{d-2} x \sqrt{\sigma} K_\xi^{\mu\nu} n_\mu \sigma_\nu$$

dep. on action & ξ .

ξ vanish if $\xi^\alpha|_{\partial\Sigma} = 0$

of course, \forall theory is defined by an action & a set of bnd. cond. \mathcal{C} on a manifold w/ a bnd.

- an allowed diffeomorphism is such that $L_{\xi} g_{\mu\nu} \in \mathcal{C}$.
gauge transf

- a trivial diffeo is such that $Q_{\xi} \equiv 0 \ \forall \ g_{\mu\nu} \in \mathcal{C}$ b/c ξ falls off too fast near infinity

The asympt symm of the theory are def as $\frac{\text{Allowed diffeos}}{\text{Trivial diffeos}}$

& they corresp to true symm. of the theory

Example 1. Maxwell field in AdS_{d+1}

- bnd. cond : A_{μ} fixed as $z=0$ ($A_{\mu}=0$) as $z \rightarrow 0$

- allowed gauge transf : $\xi(x^{\mu}, z) \ni \partial_{\mu} \xi = 0 @ z=0$

$$\xi(x^{\mu}, z) = \xi_0 + z^{\alpha} \xi_{\alpha}(x^{\mu}) + \dots$$

\Rightarrow asympt symm : constant

phase rot on the ∂ AdS \Rightarrow global symm!

$$Q_{\xi} \approx \int \xi(x, z) F^{\mu\nu}$$

trivial

dict.: A_{μ} in bulk gauge field

$\leftrightarrow J^{\mu}$ on the br

CFT current \rightarrow global symm.

Example 2 : asympt symm. of AdS₃

- go to FG. gauge

$$ds^2 = \underbrace{l^2 \frac{dz^2}{z^2}}_{\text{AdS}_3 \text{ radius}} + \underbrace{\frac{dx^2 - dt^2}{z^2}}_{\text{bnd. cond}} + \underbrace{L(x^+) dx_+^2 + \bar{L}(x^-) dx_-^2}_{\text{universal}}$$

$$dx^+ dx^- \quad x^{\pm} = \tau \pm t$$

the bulk diffeos that preserve this form of the metric must asympt become CKV of the bnd metric, $\eta_{\mu\nu}$

$$\chi_+(x^+), \chi_-(x^-)$$

+ subleading (non-universal) (dep. on matter fields)

asympt AdS₃ spt.

thus, the allowed diffeos take the form

$$\xi_L = \chi_L(x^+) \partial_+ + \frac{1}{2} \chi_L'(x^+) z \partial_z - \frac{l^2 z^2}{2} \chi_L''(x^+) \partial_- + \dots$$

$$\xi_R = \chi_R(x^-) \partial_- + \frac{1}{2} \chi_R'(x^-) z \partial_z - \frac{l^2 z^2}{2} \chi_R''(x^-) \partial_+ + \dots$$

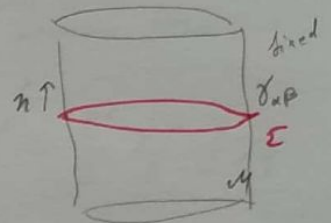
now, to decide what are trivial & non-triv. diffeos, need to compute cons. charges. A convenient formula is based on the Brown-York stress tensor

$$T_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \frac{\delta S^{\text{on-shell}}[\gamma]}{\delta \gamma^{\alpha\beta}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{8\pi G} (K_{\alpha\beta} - K \delta_{\alpha\beta}) + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{2} n^\alpha \partial_\alpha \gamma_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$S = S_{\text{EH}} + S_{\text{GH}} + S_{\text{ct}}[\gamma]$$



$$Q = \int_{\Sigma} d^2x \sqrt{\sigma} n^\alpha T_{\alpha\beta} \xi^\beta$$

$T_{\alpha\beta}$ for the AdS_3 metric above

$$K_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{z}{2l} \partial_z \gamma_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{l} \left(\frac{\gamma_{\alpha\beta}}{z^2} + O(z^2) \right)$$

$$K = \gamma^{\alpha\beta} K_{\alpha\beta} = z^2 \left(\gamma^{\alpha\beta} - z^2 \begin{pmatrix} \bar{z} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{z} \end{pmatrix} \right) \left(\frac{\gamma_{\alpha\beta}}{z^2} + O(z^2) \right) = \frac{z}{l} + O(z^4)$$

$$T_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{1}{8\pi G l} \left(\frac{\gamma_{\alpha\beta}}{z^2} - 2 \left(\frac{\gamma_{\alpha\beta}}{z^2} + \begin{pmatrix} \bar{z} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{z} \end{pmatrix} \right) \right) + O(z^2) = \frac{1}{8\pi G l} \begin{pmatrix} 2l & \frac{1}{z^2} \\ \frac{1}{z^2} & 2\bar{z} \end{pmatrix} + O(z^2)$$

$$Q \sim \int_{z-\epsilon}^z \frac{d\varphi}{z-\epsilon} z T_{\alpha\beta} \xi^\beta$$

divergent!

need to add counterterm to make it finite

$$S_{\text{ct}} = -\frac{1}{8\pi G l} \int d^2x \sqrt{\gamma}$$

$$\Delta T_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \frac{\delta S_{\text{ct}}}{\delta \gamma^{\alpha\beta}} = -\frac{1}{8\pi G l} \gamma_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$T_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{ren}} = \frac{1}{8\pi G l} \begin{pmatrix} l & 0 \\ 0 & l \end{pmatrix}$$

& the charges are

$$Q_{\xi L} = \frac{1}{8\pi G l} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \mathcal{L}(x^+) \chi_L(x^+) \quad \text{finite!}$$

$$Q_{\xi R} = -\frac{1}{8\pi G l} \int d\varphi \bar{\mathcal{L}}(x^-) \chi_R(x^-)$$

... are trivial.

Symm algebra: $\{Q_{\eta L}, Q_{\xi L}\} = \delta_{\xi} Q_{\eta} = \frac{1}{8\pi G l} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \delta_{\xi} \mathcal{L}(x^+) \chi_{\eta}(x^+)$

$$\delta_{\xi} \mathcal{L} = 2 \mathcal{L} \chi'_{\xi}(x^+) + \chi_{\xi L}(x^+) \mathcal{L}'(x^+) - \frac{l^2}{2} \chi_{\xi L}'''(x^+)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{inhom. term.}}$

$$\{Q_{\eta L}, Q_{\xi L}\} = \frac{1}{8\pi G l} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \left[2 \mathcal{L} \chi'_{\xi} + \chi_{\xi} \mathcal{L}' - \frac{l^2}{2} \chi_{\xi}''' \right] \chi_{\eta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8\pi G l} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \mathcal{L} (\chi'_{\xi} \chi_{\eta} - \chi'_{\eta} \chi_{\xi}) - \frac{l}{16\pi G} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \chi_{\xi}''' \chi_{\eta}$$

$Q[\eta, \xi]_{L.B.}$

$$\chi_{\eta} = e^{imx^+} \quad \chi_{\xi} = e^{inx^+}$$

$$\{Q_m, Q_n\} = \frac{1}{8\pi G l} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \mathcal{L}(x^+) i(n-m) e^{i(m+n)x^+} - \frac{l}{16\pi G} \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi (in)^3 e^{i(m+n)x^+}$$

$$= -i(m-n) Q_{m+n} - \frac{l}{16\pi G} (in)^3 \cdot 2\pi \delta_{m+n, 0}$$

$$[,] = i \{ , \}_{PB} \quad Q$$

$$[L_m, L_n] = (m-n) L_{m+n} + \frac{l}{8G} m^3 \delta_{m+n, 0}$$

Vir wt $\frac{c}{12} c = \frac{3l}{26}$

quantum sym alg CFT
cls CFT calc.

Holographic correlation functions

the AdS/CFT dictionary is an equality of partition functions

$$Z_{\text{bulk}}[\text{bnd. cond}] = Z_{\text{bnd}}[\text{sources}]$$

would like to understand how it works for a field in the bulk
 → free scalar $\square\phi = m^2\phi$

Poincaré coord $ds^2 = \frac{l^2}{z^2} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + dz^2$
AdS rad.

the e.o.m. takes the form $(z^2 \partial_z^2 + z^2 \partial_\mu \partial^\mu + (1-d)z \partial_z - m^2 l^2) \phi(z, x^\mu) = 0$

2nd order eqn → 2 indep sols.

assuming $\phi \sim z^\Delta$ as $z \rightarrow 0$, we find $\Delta(\Delta-1) + (1-d)\Delta - m^2 l^2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta_{\pm} = \frac{d}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} + m^2 l^2} \quad \begin{matrix} \Delta_+ = \Delta \\ \Delta_- = d - \Delta \end{matrix}$$

thus, the near-bnd expansion of the scalar field takes the form

$$\phi(z, x^\mu) = \underbrace{\phi_0(x^\mu)}_{\text{non-norm}} z^{d-\Delta} + \dots + \underbrace{\phi_\Delta(x^\mu)}_{\text{norm}} z^\Delta + \dots$$

terms - deriv of ϕ_0

since $\phi_0 z^{d-\Delta}$ is non-normalizable → ϕ_0 needs to be fixed as a bnd. cond. At the level of the full bulk field $\phi(x^\mu, z)$, we require that

$$\phi(x^\mu, z) \Big|_{z=\epsilon} = \epsilon^{d-\Delta} \phi_0(x^\mu) \quad \text{as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0 \quad \phi_0 \text{ - infinity}$$

↑ "renormalized bnd cond"
(finite as $z \rightarrow 0$)

ϕ_Δ is normalizable & thus allowed to fluctuate.

note that under a rescaling of the CFT coord, $x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu$, which corresponds to the AdS isometry $x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu, z \rightarrow \lambda z$, ϕ is invariant, while

$$\phi_0(x') \lambda^{d-\Delta} = \phi_0(x) \quad \phi_\Delta(x') \lambda^\Delta = \phi_\Delta(x)$$

same transf as source for ϕ_0 same transf as operator of dim Δ

- thus, more concretely, in this case the AdS/CFT dict. can be written as

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} [\phi(z, x^\mu) |_{z=0} = z^{d-\Delta} \phi_0(x)] = \left\langle e^{-\int d^d x \phi_0(x) O_\Delta(x)} \right\rangle_{\text{CFT}}$$

generating f. of gauge-invar ops. in the CFT $e^{-W_{\text{CFT}}[\phi]}$

- arbitrary corr. f. can be obtained by differentiating $W_{\text{CFT}}[\phi_0(x)]$ w.r.t. $\phi_0(x)$
- true in general (bulk ~ string th) but we will concentrate on the super limit $N \rightarrow \infty, \lambda$ large, in which $Z_{\text{bulk}}[\phi_0] \approx e^{-S_{\text{super}}[\phi_0]}$

saddle pt \uparrow
bulk on-shell action w/ bnd. cond ϕ_0

Two-point function

- only quadratic part of the action needed $S = \int d^d x \sqrt{g} \frac{1}{2} (\partial \phi)^2 + m^2 \phi^2$

- the soln is as before $\phi(z, x) = \phi_0 z^{d-\Delta} + \dots + \phi_1 z^\Delta + \dots$

- $\phi_0(x^\mu), \phi_1(x^\mu)$ are indep from the p.d.v of the near bnd. analysis; however, they get related by requiring that the soln not blow up as $z \rightarrow \infty$

- solving the wave eqn in momentum sp $\phi(z, x) = e^{i p_\mu x^\mu} f(z)$

sols $z^{\frac{d}{2}} I_\nu(pz) \quad \& \quad z^{\frac{d}{2}} K_\nu(pz) = z^{\frac{d}{2}} (I_\nu(pz) - I_{-\nu}(pz))$

$p = |p| \quad I_\nu = \left(\frac{pz}{2}\right)^\nu \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} = z^{\frac{d}{2}} \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^\nu \frac{1}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} - z^{\frac{d}{2}-\nu} \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{-\nu} \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\nu)}$

- let us now evaluate the on-shell action $\Rightarrow \phi_\Delta = -\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2\nu} \frac{\Gamma(1-\nu)}{\Gamma(\nu+1)} \phi_0$

- rather $\delta S_{\text{on-shell}}[\phi_0] \leftrightarrow \langle O_\Delta(x) \rangle_{\phi_0} \delta \phi_0$

$$\delta S = \int d^d x \sqrt{g} (m^2 \phi - \Delta \phi) \delta \phi + \int d^d x \sqrt{g} m^\mu \partial_\mu \phi \delta \phi$$

normal to the bnd @ $z = \epsilon = -\frac{z}{\epsilon} \partial_z$
regulator IR/UV

$$\delta S_{\text{on-shell}} = - \int d^d x \frac{z}{\ell} \partial_z \phi \delta \phi \cdot \left(\frac{\ell}{z}\right)^d = - \int d^d x \left(\frac{\ell}{z}\right)^{d-1} \left[\phi_0 (d-\Delta) z^{d-\Delta-1} + \dots \right. \\ \left. + \Delta \phi_0 z^{d-\Delta-1} + \dots \right] \cdot \left[\delta \phi_0 z^{d-\Delta} + \dots + \delta \phi_0 z^0 + \dots \right]$$

Note:

- coeff $\phi_0 \delta \phi_0$ divergent $\frac{\ell^{2d-2\Delta-1}}{\ell^{d-1}} = \ell^{d-2\Delta}$ div for $\Delta > \frac{d}{2}$
= subleading divs $\partial \phi_0 \delta \phi_0$.
- finite term (ϵ^0) $- (\phi_0 (d-\Delta) \delta \phi_0 + \Delta \phi_0 \delta \phi_0)$

does not have a good variational principle, as only ϕ_0 should be held fixed (so, $\delta S_{\text{on-shell}} \propto \delta \phi_0$)

- to obtain meaningful & finite results we should - as in QFT - add local counterterms to remove the divs. In AdS/CFT, the counterterms are local, Lorentz invar, & depend only intrinsically on the local geometry ($\phi|_\epsilon, \chi|_\epsilon$ etc.).

→ holographic renormalization

- easy to see the leading divergence can be absorbed via the counterterm $S_{\text{ct}} = \frac{c}{\ell} \int d^d x \sqrt{g} \phi^2(x, z) \Big|_{z=\epsilon}$ choosing c appropriate

$$\delta S_{\text{ct}} = \frac{2c}{\ell} \int d^d x \left(\frac{\ell}{z}\right)^d (\phi_0 z^{d-\Delta} + \dots) (\delta \phi_0 z^{d-\Delta} + \dots)$$

$$- \phi_0 \delta \phi_0 (d-\Delta) + 2c \phi_0 \delta \phi_0 = 0 \Rightarrow c = \frac{d-\Delta}{2}$$

- this ct. also modifies the coeff. of the subleading terms (div. or not) & in part, the finite term coeff. becomes

$$- (\cancel{\phi_0 (d-\Delta)} \delta \phi_0 + \Delta \phi_0 \delta \phi_0) + (d-\Delta) (\cancel{\phi_0} \delta \phi_0 + \phi_\Delta \delta \phi_0)$$

$$= (d-2\Delta) \phi_0 \delta \phi_0 \quad \text{problematic term causal!} \\ \approx \delta S \propto \delta \phi_0$$

- the subleading divs can be cancelled by ct $\int d^d x \sqrt{g} \phi \square^n \phi$ which do not affect the finite term.

Thus $\frac{\delta S_{\text{on-shell}}[\phi_0]}{\delta \phi_0} = (2\Delta - d)\phi_0 = \langle O_\Delta \rangle \phi_0$

the coeff ϕ_0 in the near-horiz. expansion of the scalar repr. the expectation value of the dual end operator

to obtain the 2pt. f $\langle O_\Delta O_\Delta \rangle = \frac{\delta \langle O_\Delta \rangle}{\delta \phi_0} \propto p^{2\Delta}$ in momentum space $\langle O(p) O(-p) \rangle$

Fourier-transforming $\int d^d p e^{ip \cdot x} p^{2\Delta} \sim \frac{1}{(x_1 - x_2)^{2\Delta}}$ $\Delta = \frac{d}{2} + \nu$

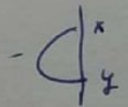
exactly the 2pt. f of an operator of dim. Δ .

Comments

here, for scalar; higher spin fields very similar \rightarrow higher spin ops in CFT

for massless gauge fields in the bulk ($A_\mu, grav$) \rightarrow cons. currents on hnd; cons. eqn. obtained from near-horiz. analysis (hologr. Ward identities, including anomalies)

interesting to note $\frac{1}{|x-y|^{2\Delta}}$ is $e^{-\Delta l}$ ren. geod. length b/w the pts x, y on the hnd also holds more gen. in non-vac. spt.



to compute higher-pt. functions, need sol'n @ higher order in ϕ_0 \rightarrow include bulk interactions. e.g. for $\frac{\lambda}{n+1} \phi^{n+1}$, the modified

e.o.m. is $(\square - m^2)\phi = \lambda \phi^n$

solve pert $\phi = \phi^{[0]} + \lambda \phi^{[1]} + \lambda^2 \phi^{[2]} + \dots$

$(\square - m^2)\phi^{[0]} = 0$

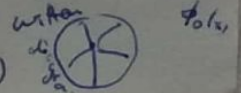
$(\square - m^2)\phi^{[1]} = \phi^{[0]n}$ etc

$\phi^{[1]}(y) = \int d^d y' G_{\square \square}(y|y') \phi^{[0]n}(y')$

$\phi^{[0]}(y') = \int d^d x G_{\square \square}(y',x) \phi_0(x)$

as $y \rightarrow$ hnd norm. soln

$\phi^{[1]}(y) = \int d^d y' K_\Delta(x,y') \prod_{i=1}^n \int d^d x_i K_\Delta(y',x_i) \phi^{[0]}(x_i)$



Theories at finite temperature

• so far, we have mostly studied the AdS/CFT dictionary about the AdS vacuum, where the vacuum isometries determine much of the structure (of e.g. correlation functions)

• we would now like to turn to the study of theories @ finite temperature. As you know, the thermal part. f. of a th w/ \mathcal{H} Hilbert sp \mathcal{H} (& Hamilt. H) can be computed via the euclidean path int.

$$Z_{\beta} = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}} e^{-\beta H} = \int_{\mathcal{M}_4 \times S^1} \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S_E(\phi)} \quad \beta = \frac{1}{T}$$

• the gravity dual of a thermal CFT state is given, using the master AdS/CFT dictionary, by

$$Z_{\text{grav}}[\mathcal{M}_{d-1} \times S^1] = Z_{\text{CFT}}^{\beta}$$

conf. mod. of AdS

{ can of course also add sources for ops, but let's ignore this for now

• thus, we are supposed to compute the gravity path integral = Σ over all ^{out} metrics that asympt. take the form (in AdS₅) M₄ × S¹

$$ds^2 \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r^2}{\ell^2} dt_E^2 + \frac{\ell^2}{r^2} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_3^2 \quad w \quad t_E \sim t_E + \beta$$

• in the semi-classical limit $Z_{\text{grav}} \approx e^{-S_E^{\text{cl}}}$ \leftrightarrow on-shell action for the classical sol's to the e.o.m. w/ the prescribed bnd. cond. If there are several such sol's

$$Z_{\text{grav}}(\beta) = e^{-S_E^{\text{cl}(1)}} (1 + \dots) + e^{-S_E^{\text{cl}(2)}} (1 + \dots)$$

print. corr



the one w/ the smallest action dominates $Z_{\text{grav}}(\beta)$

• in a AdSs w/ hnd $S^3 \times S^1$, there are 3 sols that satisfy the above hnd. cond: large b.h, small b.h's & thermal AdS

The Schwarzschild-AdS black hole

• eucl. b.h. sols w/ given hnd. cond.

$ds^2 = f dt_E^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f} + r^2 d\Omega_3^2$ $f = 1 + \frac{r^2}{l^2} - \frac{\mu}{r^2}$ $l = \text{AdS length}$

$\propto \text{mass}$ $\frac{16\pi^5}{3\pi^2} M$

$t_E \sim \tau_E + \beta$ (ratio of asympt S^1 ℓ_E & S^3 r , as only ratios make sense in conf. inv. th)

• horizon $f(r_+) = 0 \Rightarrow r_+^2 = \frac{l^2}{2} \left(-1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{4\mu}{l^2}} \right)$

• requiring no conical sing. as $r \rightarrow r_+$ fixes $\beta = \frac{2\pi l^2 r_+}{2r_+^2 + l^2}$
(only consider smooth saddle pts)

fixes rel. b/w β & μ .

• note that $\beta < \beta_{\max} = \frac{\pi l}{\sqrt{2}}$ (for $r_+ = \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}$) $\frac{\text{cub. area}}{\text{area}} \leq 1$

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a minimum temperature $T_{\min} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi l}$ below which \nexists black hole.

• $\forall T > T_{\min}$, \exists two black hole sols

$r_+ = \frac{\pi l^2}{2\beta} \left[1 \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{2\beta^2}{\pi^2 l^2}} \right]$ $(r_+)_{\text{small}} < l$

large (top) / small (bottom)

• the small b.h. can be cc hds & will turn out to be thermodyn. unstable \approx Schw. in flat sp., they Hawking radiate

• the large b.h. is thermodyn stable ($C > 0$) & can thus be in thermal equil w/ thermal rad that bounds off AdS asympt.



the free energy of the sol is dif. via $Z = e^{-\beta F}$ is computed by the on-shell Einstein action

$$S_E = - \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \int d^5x \sqrt{g} \left(R + \frac{12}{l^2} \right) + \frac{1}{8\pi G_N} \int d^4x \sqrt{\gamma} \left(K + \frac{3}{2} \epsilon + \frac{\rho(R\gamma)}{4} \right)$$

E.H. w.l. c.c. GH counterterms

$R \sim -\frac{20}{l^2}$ $I_{EH} = + \frac{1}{2\pi G_N l^2} \int_{r < \frac{l}{2}} \sqrt{g} d^5x = + \frac{\beta \text{vol}(S^3)}{2\pi G_N l^2} \int_{r_+}^{\frac{l}{2}} dr r^3$

cut-off @ $z = \epsilon$
renormalize

$$S_E = \frac{3\pi^2 l^2 \beta}{32\pi G_N} + \frac{2\pi^2 \beta}{8\pi G_N l^2} \left(\frac{\mu}{2} l^2 - r_+^4 \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi \beta}{4 G_N l^2} \left(\frac{\mu}{2} l^2 - r_+^4 + \frac{3}{8} l^4 \right)$$

$$l \mu = \frac{r_+^4}{l^2} + r_+^2 l^2$$

$$= \frac{\pi \beta}{8 G_N l^2} \left(-r_+^4 + \frac{3l^4}{4} + r_+^2 l^2 \right)$$

$$S_E^{\text{small b.h.}} - S_E^{\text{large b.h.}} = \frac{\pi \beta}{8 G_N l^2} \left((r_+^2|_{\text{small}} - r_+^2|_{\text{large}}) \left(l^2 - (r_+^2|_{\text{small}} - (r_+^2|_{\text{large}}) \right) \right)$$

Factor π
(redo!)

$$= \frac{\pi \beta}{8 G_N l^2} \cdot 2l^2 \left(1 - \left(\frac{\pi l}{\beta r_+} \right)^2 \right) \left((r_+^2|_{\text{small}} - r_+^2|_{\text{large}}) \right)$$

< 0 > 0

\Rightarrow the small b.h. always has larger free energy than the large one (never dominates over it in the canonical ensemble)

• $\langle E \rangle = -2\rho \mu \epsilon^2 = \frac{3\pi^2}{8G_N} \left(\mu + \frac{l^2}{4} \right)$ \checkmark Casimir. enrg.

• can check heat capacity

- \exists another sol'n that satisfies the asympt AdS₅ ($S^3 \times S^1$) boundary condition, which is thermal AdS

$$ds^2 = \left(1 + \frac{r^2}{l^2}\right) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 + r^2/l^2} + r^2 d\Omega_3^2 \quad t_E \sim t_E + \beta$$

no longer contractible

- β is now a free param (metric @ $r=0$ regular $\forall \beta$)

- note that while the metric is same as thermal AdS, the quantum state of pert. excit. on top of this geom. is \neq from vacuum, & they do carry an $O(1)$ free energy, whose backreaction on the geom is being neglected.
(same as sd box $E \sim l^4 T^5$)

- since it is the sol'n w/ $\mu=0$, its renormalized euclidean action is $S_{th}^{AdS} = \frac{\pi \beta}{8G_N l^2} \cdot \frac{3l^4}{4}$ This should

however be treated as zero, as it's pure Casimir energy. In any case

$$S_{bh}^{large} - S_{th,AdS} = \frac{\pi^2 \beta}{8G_N l^2} (r_+^2/l^2 - r_+^2)$$

$$\left(\frac{r_+^2}{l^2}\right)_{reg} = \left(\frac{\pi l^2}{2\beta}\right)^2 \left(2 - \frac{2\beta^2}{\pi^2 l^2} + 2\sqrt{1 - \frac{2\beta^2}{\pi^2 l^2} - \frac{4\beta^2}{\pi^2 l^2}}\right) > 0 \quad \text{for } \beta < \frac{2\pi l}{3}$$

- thus, the black hole has smaller free energy for $\beta < \frac{2\pi l}{3}$ (high temperatures $T > \frac{3}{2\pi l}$), while

thermal AdS is preferred for $T < \frac{3}{2\pi l}$. For $T < T_{crit}$,

the b.h. sol'n ceases to \exists .

→ This is called the Hawking-Page transition → exchange of dominance of sol's w/ \neq topologies

• notice that, before the transition $S \approx 0$ (or an $O(G_N^2)$) coming from the matter fields

• after the transition, the entropy is $S_{BH} = \frac{\pi^2 r_+^3}{2G_N} \sim O(N^2)$

- we go from a very small # states @ low temp to a very large one @ high temp \rightarrow interpreted as confinement / deconfinement transition in the dual $W=4$ SYM.

- disappears if $S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$. This is b/c decomp. same as $\beta \rightarrow 0$ b/c only β/size^3 is a param. Then $r_+ = \frac{\pi l^2}{\beta}$

& the free energy $F = \frac{1}{\beta} S_E = -\frac{\pi}{8G_N \rho^2} \left(\frac{\pi l^2}{\beta}\right)^4 = -\frac{\pi^5 l^6}{8G_N} T^4$

$\text{vol } S^3 = l^3 \cdot 2\pi^2$ $F = -\frac{\pi^3 l^3}{16G_N} T^4 V_{S^3}$ as exp. from conformal invariance & $F = \text{extensive}$

$\frac{1}{16\pi G_5} = \frac{l^5 \text{vol } S^5 \pi^3}{(2\pi)^7 \alpha'^4 g_s^2}$ $\lambda = 4\pi g_s N = \frac{l^4}{\alpha'^2}$ $\frac{l^3}{16G_5} = \frac{\pi^4 \rho^8}{2^7 \pi^7 \left(\frac{l^4}{4\pi N}\right)^2 2^2 \pi^3} = \frac{16\pi^2 N^2}{8}$

$\Rightarrow F = -\frac{\pi^2 N^2}{8} T^4 V$ $\Rightarrow \frac{l^3}{4G_N} = \frac{N^2}{2\pi}$

• this may be compared w/ a computation of the free energy in free SYM

$F = -\frac{\pi^2}{6} N^2 T^4 V$ don't agree
identify w/ the

• this is not surprising, given that we're comparing strong & weak coupling & there is no reason F is protected (susy)

Black holes in AdS₃

• another set of AdS b.h.s that have been very extensively studied are the so-called BTZ b.h. in AdS₃

• they are sol's of pure 3d gravity w/ $\Lambda < 0$ $S = \frac{1}{16\pi G_3} \int d^3x \sqrt{g} (R + \frac{6}{\ell^2})$

• in 3d, gravity is not dyn. b/c $R_{\mu\nu} g_{\rho\sigma} = \det$ by $R_{\mu\nu}$ fixed by Einstein's eqns. $R_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{2}{\ell^2} g_{\mu\nu}$ ^{check}
 $R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = -\frac{1}{\ell^2} (g_{\mu\rho} g_{\nu\sigma} - g_{\mu\sigma} g_{\nu\rho})$ same as in empty AdS₃

• thus, all sol's of pure 3d gravity w/ c.c. must be locally AdS₃

• the BTZ b.h. corresp. to a quotient of global AdS₃ that has the causal str. of a b.h. It does carry non-trivial M.S., For $\mathcal{H} = 0$ (for simplicity)

$$ds^2 = - \frac{(r^2 - 8GM)}{\ell^2} dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{\frac{r^2}{\ell^2} - 8GM} + r^2 d\varphi^2$$

$\varphi \sim \varphi + 2\pi$

• the Hawking temp is T_H

- a single sol'n for fixed $T \rightarrow$ analogue of the large AdS b.h. (small absent)

• thermodyn. stable

• the entropy is $S_{BH} = \frac{2\pi r_+}{4G_N} = \frac{\pi \ell}{2G_N} \sqrt{8GM} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\ell^2 M}{2G}}$

• it is interesting to note that, in this case (unlike that of AdS black holes) it is possible to reproduce the entropy exactly (incl. the numerical coeff) from a microscopic computation.

• the reason is that in 2d, modular invariance allows us to compute the CFT₂ finite temp. entropy even at strong coupling

$$\text{path int } \boxed{}_{R}^{\beta} = Z_{\beta}(R) = Z_R(\beta)$$

Using conf. invar. $Z(\beta/R) = Z_{\beta}(R) = \frac{Z_{R^2}(\beta)}{\beta}$

$$Z(\beta) = Z\left(\frac{4\pi^2}{\beta}\right) \text{ for } R = 2\pi$$

relates low & high temp. $Z(\beta) = Z\left(\frac{4\pi^2}{\beta}\right) \approx e^{-\frac{4\pi^2}{\beta} E_{vac} - \frac{c}{12}}$
high temp low temp

• end result

$$S_{\text{eardy}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{c}{3} E}$$

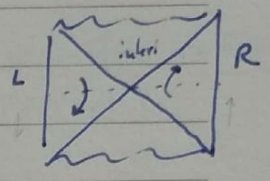
• using our previous ^{holoyn.} result that $c = \frac{3\ell}{2G_3}$, we

find precisely that $S_{\text{BH}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{3\ell}{2G} \cdot \frac{M\ell}{3}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{c}{3} M\ell}$
radius circle.

• thus, b.h. entropy counts high-energy excit. in the dual CFT

Eternal black holes & entanglement

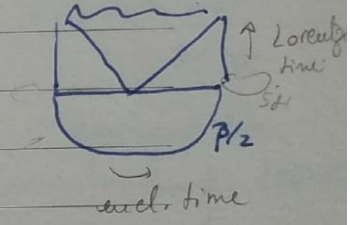
- considers the eternal (large) AdS-Schw. b.h.
 - maximal analytic ext. of Schw-AdS spt. (1 b.h. collapse)



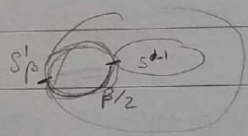
$$ds^2 = -f(r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2 d\Omega_{d-1}^2 + \text{ent.}$$

- 2 bnd \rightarrow 2 copies of the dual CFT \rightarrow state in $\mathcal{H}_L \otimes \mathcal{H}_R$ (identical CFTs)
 - (as det. by bnd. cond. near the 2 AdS bnd)

- cutting the Lorentzian geom. @ $t=0$ (time refl. symm.), we can prepare the state of the quantum fields on the $t=0$ slice via a euclidean path. int., obtained by cutting the eucl. b.h. geom. in half.



This is the Hartle-Hawking constr. of the wavef.



- the question is! what is the corresp. state in the dual $CFT_L \times CFT_R$?

• via AdS/CFT $Z_{\text{bulk}} [\text{half-bowl}] = Z_{\text{CFT}} [\text{FT.}] = Z_{\text{CFT}} [I_{P/2} \times S^{d-1}]$

the claim is that the CFT^2 path int produces the thermo field double

$$|TFD\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z(\beta)}} \sum_n e^{-\frac{\beta E_n}{2}} |n\rangle_L |n\rangle_R$$

eigenst. of single CFT

w/ prop. that tracing over L/R d.o.f \Rightarrow perf. thermal S_R/S_L

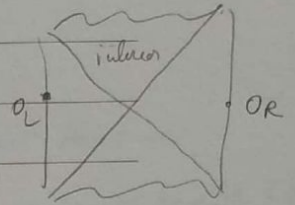
$$Z_{\text{CFT}} [I_{P/2} \times S^{d-1}] = \langle \varphi_1 | e^{-\frac{\beta H}{2}} | \varphi_2 \rangle = \sum_n \langle \varphi_1 | n \rangle \langle n | \varphi_2 \rangle e^{-\frac{\beta E_n}{2}} = \sum_n \langle \varphi_1 | \langle \varphi_2^* | e^{-\frac{\beta E_n}{2}} | n \rangle | n \rangle$$

$\langle \varphi_2^* | m^* \rangle$

* \rightarrow reverses direction of lim $\langle \varphi_1 | \rightarrow | \varphi_2^* \rangle$

• thus, we find the rather remarkable fact that, even though the 2 CFTs are entirely non-interacting, \exists a geometric connection b/w them, due to the entanglement in the TFD state.

• this can be probed by e.g. inserting ops.



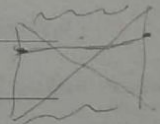
$$\langle \psi_{TFD} | O_L O_R | \psi_{TFD} \rangle$$

- in CFT, $\neq 0$ due to entanglement $\sim \sum_{n, n'} e^{-\frac{\beta E_L + E_R}{2}} \langle n | O_L | n' \rangle \langle n' | O_R | n \rangle$

- in gravity, $\neq 0$ b/c \exists a geom conn $\langle O_L O_R \rangle \approx e^{-\Delta_{L,R}}$ Large.

• this geom. conn. is through the b.h. interior \rightarrow emergent due to entanglement. ($E_R = E_L$)
 • one may use this setup to devise a simpler version of the info paradox.

- fix $O_L(t)$ & take $O_R(t)$ \uparrow + very large. Gravity suggests that $\langle O_L O_R \rangle \sim e^{-\frac{\Delta}{\beta}}$ indefinitely (if we can wait b/c b.h. is eternal)



• however, CFT arg. indicate it becomes $o(e^{-S})$ @

large times

$$\langle O_L O_R \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \sum_{n, n'} e^{S} \langle n | O_L | n' \rangle \langle n' | O_R | n \rangle e^{-\frac{\beta(E_L + E_R)}{2}} \sim e^{-S}$$

averages to zero for $n \neq n'$ $e^{2S} \rightarrow e^S$

• sharp version of the paradox \rightarrow can in principle be resolved via non-pert. corr. ($\sim e^{-S}$)

(Malda suggested incl. eucl AdS saddle, Bousso-Palazzo argued not enough, for JT SSS argued plateau comes from "D-branes")



Emergent geometry & entanglement

the literal int. of the TFD constr is that $\sum_n e^{-\frac{E_n}{2}} | \uparrow \rangle \otimes | \downarrow \rangle = | \boxtimes \rangle$
 \sum disconn. geom \Rightarrow connected
 suggesting entanglement \leftrightarrow rel. to connectedness of spt.

this can be (semi) quantitatively motivated by the fact that in this TFD constr, the b.h. entropy \leftrightarrow entanglement entropy b/w the 2 CFTs

taking CFT₂ for concreteness, we have $S_{ent} \sim cT$, which decreases as T is decreased

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also, the mutual info b/w the 2 CFTs $I(A,B) = S(A) + S(B) - S(A \cup B)$
 if I decreases, then corr. b/w the 2 subsystems must decrease, since $I(A,B)$ provides an upper bound for them

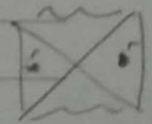
$$I(A,B) \geq \frac{(\langle O_A O_B \rangle - \langle O_A \rangle \langle O_B \rangle)^2}{2 |O_A|^2 |O_B|^2}$$

these corr. can be seen to become smaller as the temp. of the b.h. is reduced. In Kruskal coord, the BTZ metric reads

$$ds^2 = - \frac{4 du dv}{(1+uv)^2} + 4\pi^2 r^2 \frac{(1-uv)^2}{(1+uv)^2} dy^2$$

Letting $u = t+x$
 $v = t-x$

apparently computing length b/w 2 sides where if circumference is $2\pi r$, we find



$$L \sim 2r \left(\sqrt{\frac{r}{2\pi T} + 1} + \sqrt{\frac{r}{2\pi T} - 1} \right) \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } T \rightarrow 0$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{r}{2\pi T} + 1} - \sqrt{\frac{r}{2\pi T} - 1} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow 0$$

so, as T decreases, entanglement & corr. b/w two sides are reduced.

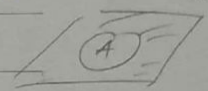
supporting the idea that cls connectivity arises by (egren) entanglement.
 relevant for more gen. quest. about how spt. emerges how/ is encoded in geom.

Holographic entanglement entropy

• you saw how, in the AdS/CFT context, the Bekenstein-Hawking formula provides a geometric interpretation for the thermal CFT entropy

coarse grained (max S subject to $\text{Tr} \rho^2 = A$)

• you also learned that, in a local QFT, it is possible to define an entanglement entropy assoc. w/ a spatial subregion A



via

$$S(A) = -\text{Tr} \rho_A \ln \rho_A$$

$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_{A^c} |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$$

↑ global state system.

- fine-grained (much more detailed measure of the state $|\psi\rangle$)

shows that

- even in QFT vacuum, \exists lots of entanglement, most coming from correlations just across the entangling surface

$$S_A \sim \# \frac{\text{area}(\partial A)}{L_A^{d-2}} + \# \frac{L_A^{d-4}}{L_P} \quad \& \text{ log terms in area d.}$$

(div. div. \forall state) theory-dep.

min. div. \forall state

In highly excited st. exp. $S_A \sim \text{vol}(A)$

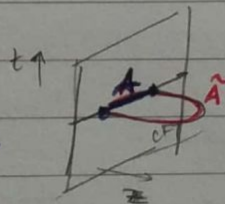
(in CFTs w/ no other scales $\# \left(\frac{L_A}{E_{UV}}\right)^{d-2} + \# \left(\frac{L_A}{E_{UV}}\right)^{d-4}$)

• coeff. log (even d) \propto central ch, $\&$ of 1^0 (odd d) \sim sphere part. $\&$
(a in $4d$) (monotonous along RG flows)

• \exists a holographic int of S_A ?

• consider holoqt. CFT_d (large N , large gap) in a state $|\psi\rangle \leftrightarrow$ smooth classical geom^x

$\&$ consider spatial subregion A



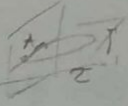
RT proposal

$$S_A = \frac{\text{Area}(\tilde{A})}{4G_N}$$

• area cod \geq bulk surface of min area that has same ind. as A .

• in addition, the ^{bulk} surface \tilde{A} is homologous to A (can be cont. def into each other in the bulk) (Check)

• \tilde{A} extremizes area functional. If several solns, take one w/ smallest area

(\exists generaliz (HRT) for time-dep. backgrounds, where one 1st minimizes area on a ^{bulk} spatial slice $\Sigma \supset A$, but then maximizes it over all possible Σ) 

• as in the CFT calc, this quantity is divergent due to the ∞ volume of AdS \rightarrow structure div. matches CFT (standard UV/IR connection) regulated by cutoff @ $z = \epsilon$

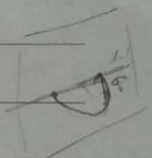
• could also consider cutoff-indep. quantities, \exists mutual info, $S_A(\psi) - S_A(\phi)$
 $\frac{\partial S_L}{\partial L}$ etc

Example: ball-shaped region in CFT vacuum.

$x^i \in (1, \dots, d-1)$

• dual geom Poincaré AdS $ds^2 = \frac{l^2}{z^2} (dz^2 - dt^2 + dx^i dx^i) = G_{MN} dx^M dx^N$

surface lies @ $t=0$.

Area = $\int d^{d-1} \sqrt{\det g_{ab}}$ $g_{ab} = G_{MN} \frac{\partial x^M}{\partial x^a} \frac{\partial x^N}{\partial x^b}$ 

• param by $x^i \equiv z(x^i)$

$g_{ij} = \frac{l^2}{z^2(x^i)} \left(\delta_{ij} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^j} \right)$

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 + 2z^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^1} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^1} & & \\ & \dots & \\ 2z^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^1} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^2} & & 1 + 2z^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^2} \end{pmatrix} = 1 + 2z^2 \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^i}$

$\sqrt{\det g_{ij}} = \frac{l^{d-1}}{z^{d-1}} \sqrt{1 + \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x^i}}$

ball \rightarrow spherical coord $dx^i dx^i = dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_{d-2}^2$, $z = z(r)$ w/ $\int_{\Omega_{d-2}} \frac{r^{d-2} dr}{z^{d-1}} \sqrt{1 + (z')^2}$

minimize $\frac{1}{z^{d-1}} \sqrt{1 + (z')^2}$ w) soln $z^2 + r^2 = \text{const} = R^2$

\uparrow radius ball on the brd.

• calculate area for e.g. $d=2$ $A = l \int \frac{dr}{z} \sqrt{1 + (z')^2} = l \cdot R \int_0^{R-\eta} \frac{dr}{z^2} \times 2$

where η is such that $\epsilon^2 + (R-\eta)^2 = R^2$
 $\epsilon^2 - 2R\eta = 0$

thus $S_R = \frac{lR}{4G_3} \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{R} \operatorname{arctanh} \frac{r}{R} \Big|_0^{R - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2R}} = \frac{l}{2G_3} \operatorname{arctanh} \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2R^2} \right)$

$\approx -\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{\epsilon^2}{4R^2} \right)$

total length of CFT interval $S^{\text{CFT}_2} = + \frac{c}{3} \ln \frac{L}{\epsilon} \propto \text{length}$

exactly the same as CFT₂ vacuum answer.

omit or look up

- special to single interval (univ. answer depending on just anomaly coeff)
- multiple interval cases depend on CFT details & only agree w/ gravity for long c)

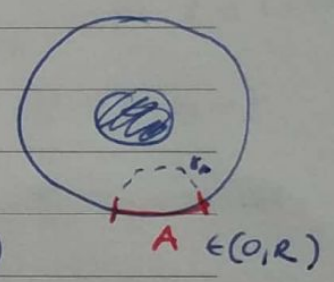
- thus, @ least for d=2, we have checked RT yields right answer (single int)

- also check thermal 2d, higher d balls + deformations

Holographic entanglement @ finite temp.

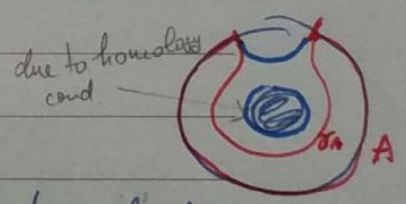
- consider t=0 slice BTZ metric

$dr^2 = \frac{dr^2}{r^2 - 8GM} + r^2 dy^2$ $T_H = \frac{\sqrt{8GM}}{2\pi l}$



- $R \ll 2\pi$, S_A computed by length shortest (! ∞ , reg!) geod in BTZ geom

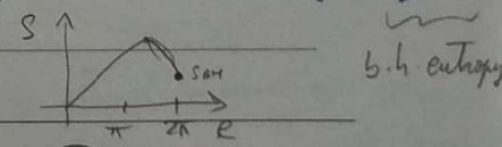
$S_A = \frac{c}{3} \ln \left[\frac{1}{\pi T E_{uv}} \operatorname{sh}(\pi R T) \right]$



- for $R \sim 2\pi$, this is not necessarily the shortest geod. (also blue one)

length blue curve $S_A^{\text{blue}} = \frac{c}{3} \ln \left[\frac{1}{\pi T E_{uv}} \operatorname{sh}(\pi(2\pi - R)T) \right] + \frac{2\pi^2}{3} c T$

must choose $S_A = \min [S_A^{\text{red}}, S_A^{\text{blue}}]$



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exchange down @ some $R > \pi$
 notice $S_A \neq S_A^c$ b/c. of b.h. contr.

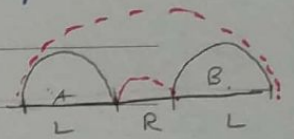
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Phase transition in the mutual info

• we saw the Bekenstein - Hawking entropy can undergo phase transitions as a $f(T)$. Similar behaviours can be found in the entanglement entropy

• better work w/ the mutual info $I(A:B) = S(A) + S(B) - S(A \cup B)$ which has the advantage of being finite. Setup:

• 2 regions size L separated by R



$$S(A \cup B) = \frac{c}{3} \ln \frac{R+2L}{\epsilon} + \frac{c}{3} \ln \frac{R}{\epsilon} < \frac{c}{3} \ln \frac{L}{\epsilon} \times 2 \text{ for}$$

$$R(R+2L) < L^2, \text{ or } R < L(-1 + \sqrt{2})$$

the mutual info is $I(A:B) = \frac{c}{3} \ln \frac{L^2}{R(R+2L)}$ for $R < L(\sqrt{2}-1)$

0 for $R > L(\sqrt{2}-1)$

• interesting first order phase transition as R is increased.

• applications of this?

Implications of the holography ent. entropy formula

$S_A = \frac{\text{Area}(\tilde{A})}{4G_N}$, $\forall \tilde{A}$ (over) \rightarrow det. in principle the spt. geom. in terms of the entangled str. of the CFT

\rightarrow highly overconstrained pl., since \exists many more subregion shapes than bulk geom

\rightarrow w/ few exceptions (2dCFT) currently hard to underst. why,

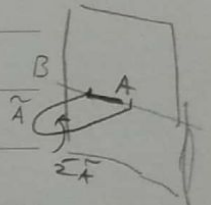


@ large N strong coupling CFT entang behaves this way.

• while RT simply conjectured their formula, note \exists a bulk derivation for it, i.e. upon assuming that the CFT is descr. by classical Einst. grav. in an AdS spt.

• the deriv (Malda-Lewkowycz) computes the $Z_{\text{CFT}}[B_g]$ ^{hnd. replica manif. to evaluate key} using the holog. descr. that rel. it to $Z_{\text{bulk}}[\Sigma_A]$ which is extremized by a smooth bulk manifold that ends on B_g @ the bnd.

$$S_A = \underbrace{\frac{A(\hat{A})}{4G_N}}_{O(N^2)} + \underbrace{S_{\text{bulk}}(\Sigma_{\hat{A}})}_{O(1)}$$



• additionally, they can give their prescr. to include quantum corr / $\frac{1}{N}$ corr. that turns out to equal the ent. entropy of bulk fields across the extremal surf.

→ very similar in spirit w/ S_{gen}

→ note that in the above, one first found the min. area surface, & then computed $S_{\text{bulk}}(\Sigma_{\hat{A}})$ across this surface, however, it has been argued one should instead minimize the full S_{gen} → entropy assoc w/ a quantum extremal surface (allows $A_{\text{min}} = \langle \hat{A} \rangle$ to resp. to quantum fluct. of the geom.)
(area op) (relevant @ subleading order)

→ notice this is just a classical surface but whose location is det also by the state of the quantum fields

• this formula will be essential in recovering a unitary Page curve for b.h. evaporation, as Jildou will show.