

de Sitter, extremal surfaces and time entanglement

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

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Holography and asymptotics

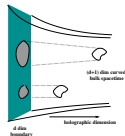
25+ yrs since *AdS/CFT* '97 Maldacena; '98 Gubser, Klebanov, Polyakov; Witten.

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

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

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

Dual: unitary Lorentzian CFT, includes time.



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

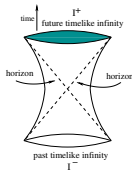
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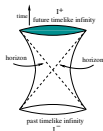
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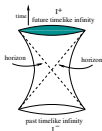
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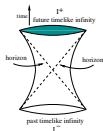
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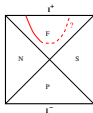
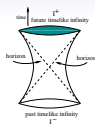
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$$\rightarrow \text{dual CFT: } \langle O_k O_{k'} \rangle \sim \frac{\delta^2 Z}{\delta \varphi_k^0 \delta \varphi_{k'}^0} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_3 \sim -\frac{R_{dS}^2}{G_4}.$$

Global/static dS from global AdS : other analytic continuations.

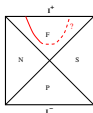
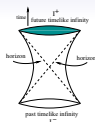
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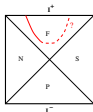
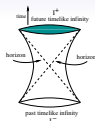


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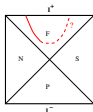
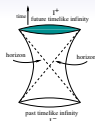
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Areas: new object \rightarrow Pseudo entropy or “Time entanglement”.

(EE-like structures, timelike separations)

$$\mathcal{T}_{F|I}^A = \text{Tr}_B \left(\frac{|F\rangle\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(|F\rangle\langle I|)} \right) \quad [\text{entropy of reduced transition matrix (Nakata, Takayanagi, Taki, Tamaoka, Wei, '20)]$$

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- $\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi| \xrightarrow{\text{tr}_B} \text{RDM}_A$, remaining ghost-spin \rightarrow von Neumann entropy.

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

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

- $-ve \text{ norm} \leftrightarrow \text{Im}(S_A)$
- $+ve \text{ norm } |\psi\rangle \not\Rightarrow +ve \text{ RDM, EE.}$

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

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

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

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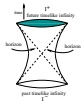
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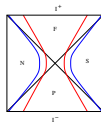
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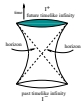
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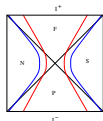
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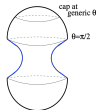
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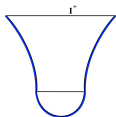
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f-p surfaces connecting θ -caps at I^\pm , wrapping S^{d-2} . IR area $-i \frac{\pi l^2}{G_4} \frac{R_C}{l}$ [dS_4]

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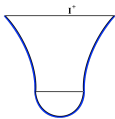
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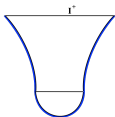


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$$\text{IR bottom surface: } ds^2 = l^2 d\tau_E^2 + l^2 \cos^2 \tau_E (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\Omega_{d-2}^2) \Big|_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

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

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

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

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

dS extremal surfaces \rightarrow “Time-Entanglement”



IR limit

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

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

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

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



dS extremal surfaces: no $I^+ \rightarrow I^+$ returns \rightarrow **timelike components** necessarily.

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

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

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

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

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

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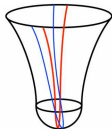
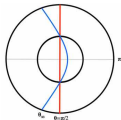
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“Time-Entanglement” / Pseudo-entropy: QM entanglement with timelike separations

- (i) time-evolution operator as generalized density operator \rightarrow partial trace
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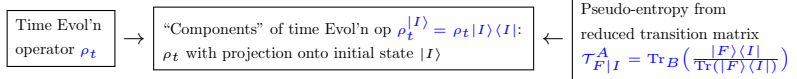
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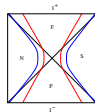
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Future-past surfaces, f-p “entanglement”

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

(Hartman-Maldacena (AdS bh) rotated)

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



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

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

[KN '17; also Arias,Diaz,Sundell,'19]

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

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

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

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

van Raamsdonk: space emerges from entanglement.

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

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

$[\mathcal{U}(t) = Tr_2(|\psi_{fP}\rangle \langle \psi_I|)]$ Time evol'n \equiv f-p EE. Timelike ER=EPR?

“Time-Entanglement”: future-past EE



dS extremal surfaces at I^+ & areas \equiv space-time rotations from AdS .
e.g. dS future-past surfaces \leftrightarrow rotated **Hartman-Maldacena** surfaces (AdS bh).

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

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$$|\psi\rangle_{fP} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |1\rangle_F |1\rangle_P + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |2\rangle_F |2\rangle_P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-iE_1 t} |1\rangle_P |1\rangle_P + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-iE_2 t} |2\rangle_P |2\rangle_P$$

fp-density matrix $\rho = |\psi\rangle_{fP} \langle\psi|_{fP} \xrightarrow{Tr_P} \delta_{ij} \psi_{fP}^{ki} (\psi_{fP}^*)^{lj} \rightarrow$ time-evol'n phases cancel \rightarrow

$$\rho_{fP} = Tr_P |\psi\rangle_{fP} \langle\psi|_{fP} = \frac{1}{2} |1\rangle_F \langle 1|_F + \frac{1}{2} |2\rangle_F \langle 2|_F$$

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

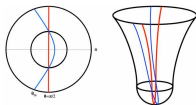
[Similar positive structures with ghost-spins]

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

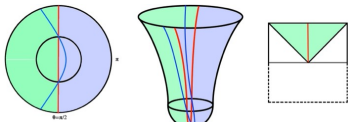
de Sitter extremal surfaces,
subregion duality, entropy relns

dS surfaces, subregion duality, geometrically

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

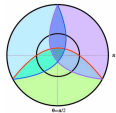


Time-entanglement/Pseudo-entanglement
 wedge: Max subregion, $t = \text{const}$ slice: green
 bulk region bounded by (red) IR surface and
 boundary subregion. (Violet complement region)



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

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

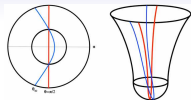


[Note that $t = \text{const}$ slice geometric subregion duality is somewhat different from equatorial plane dS surfaces.]

dS surfaces, entropy relations/inequalities

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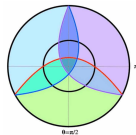


Two adjacent disjoint subregions A, B ($2\theta_\infty = \frac{\pi}{2}$); $A \cup B \equiv (2\theta_\infty = \pi)$.

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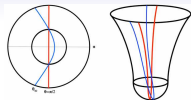
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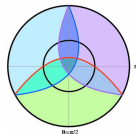


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Tripartite time-information: 3 disjoint adjacent quadrant subregions A, B, C ($2\theta_\infty = \frac{\pi}{2}$).

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

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

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

Strong subadditivity:

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

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

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

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

Qubits, pseudo-entropy inequalities

Pseudo-entropy $\rho_t = \frac{|F\rangle\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(|F\rangle\langle I|)} = \frac{\mathcal{U}(t)|I\rangle\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(\mathcal{U}(t)|I\rangle\langle I|)}$ [= time evolv op $\mathcal{U}(t) = e^{-iHt}$ with projection]
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 $\rho_t^{123} = \frac{|F\rangle\langle I|}{\text{Tr}(|F\rangle\langle I|)}$, $\rho_t^1 = \text{Tr}_{23} \rho_t^{123} = \frac{1}{x+(1-x)e^{i\theta}} (x|1\rangle\langle 1| + (1-x)e^{i\theta}|2\rangle\langle 2|)$, $\rho_t^2 = \rho_t^3 = \rho_t^1$,
 $\rho_t^{12} = \text{Tr}_3 \rho_t^{123} = \frac{1}{x+(1-x)e^{i\theta}} (x|11\rangle\langle 11| + (1-x)e^{i\theta}|22\rangle\langle 22|)$, $\rho_t^{23} = \rho_t^{13} = \rho_t^{12}$

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

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

[Specific TFD states above; more general states?]

Conclusions, questions

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

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

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

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



codim-2 surfaces ↔ antipodal metaobservers?

→ *Pseudo-entropy*. AdS , analytic cont'n \equiv space ↔ time rotations.

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

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

- Spatial infinity boundary (AdS) rotated to timelike infinity boundary (dS): spacelike RT/HRT surface (real area) rotated, includes timelike components (complex area).

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

- (i) reduced time evolution operator, mixed state EE + imaginary temperature
↔ reduced transition amplitudes, *pseudo-entropy*, ...
 - (ii) positivity in future-past entangled states & density matrices.
- More general cosmologies (upcoming, Goswami, KN, Yadav): need to define time contours carefully to define no-boundary areas etc.

Holographic entanglement entropy

Entanglement entropy: entropy of reduced density matrix of subsystem.

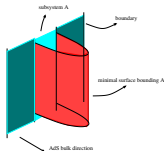
EE for spatial subsystem A, $S_A = -\text{tr} \rho_A \log \rho_A$, with partial trace $\rho_A = \text{tr}_B \rho$.

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

CFT thermal state (AdS black brane): minimal surface

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

AdS Kasner:
 spacelike extremal surfaces in reliable semiclassical region far from singularity.
 Surface lies almost on $t = \text{const}$ slice and bends away from singularity.

(Manu,KN,Paul,'20)

de Sitter future-past surfaces

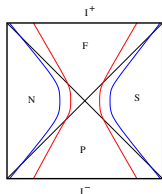
Entirely timelike surface so overall $-i$ in area $S \rightarrow S = -i \frac{l^{d-1} V_{S^{d-2}}}{4G_{d+1}} \int \frac{d\tau}{\tau^{d-1}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{f} - f(w')^2}$

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

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

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

Future-past surfaces stretching from I^+ to I^- [KN'17]



Hartman-Maldacena surfaces (AdS bh) rotated.

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

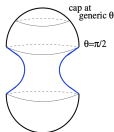
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de Sitter future-past surfaces

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

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

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



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

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

$$\text{IR} \rightarrow \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}: S = -i \frac{\pi l^2}{G_4} \int_0^{\tau_c/l} d\tau \cosh \tau \sim -i \frac{\pi l^2}{2G_4} \frac{1}{T_c}. \quad [dS_4]$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Quantum extremal surfaces: de Sitter (Poincare)

Goswami,KN,Saini

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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