Title: Numerical Evolution of 5D Asymptotically AdS Spacetimes

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Abstract: I will describe a new numerical effort to solve Einstein gravity in 5-dimensional asymptotically Anti de Sitter spacetimes (AdS). The motivation is the gauge/gravity duality of string theory, with application to scenarios that on the gravity side are described by dynamical, strong-field solutions. For example, it has been argued that certain properties of the quark-gluon plasma formed in heavy-ion collisions can be modeled by a conformal field theory, with the dual description on the gravity side provided by the collision of black holes. As a first step towards modeling such more general phenomena, we initially focus on spacetimes with SO(3) symmetry in the bulk; i.e., axisymmetric gravity, dual to states with spherical or special conformal symmetry on the boundary. For a first application we study quasi-normal ringdown of highly deformed black holes in the bulk. Even though the initial states are far from equilibrium, the boundary state is remarkably well described as a hydrodynamic flow from early times. The code is based on the generalized harmonic formulation of the field equations, and though this method has been shown to work well in many asymptotically flat scenarios, there are unique challenges that arise in obtaining regular, stable solutions in asymptotically AdS spacetimes. I will describe these challenges, and the way we have addressed them.

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## Gauge/gravity duality from a non-string theorists perspective

- The main development in the past decade within string theory has been the discovery of gauge/gravity dualities
  - even if string theory is not *the* theory of everything, that such a mapping exists is remarkable, and provides an alternative route to understanding gravity and strongly coupled gauge theories
- The first concrete duality [Maldacena 1998] conjectures a 1-1 correspondence between states in type IIB string theory in asymptotically AdS<sub>5</sub> x S<sup>5</sup> spacetimes and 4D, N=4, SU(N) Yang-Mills theory
  - in the limit of a strongly coupled gauge theory and large AdS radius *L* relative to the string and Planck scales, the bulk spacetime is well described by Einstein gravity (plus possible form fields)

#### A few demonstrated/conjectured correspondences

- Stationary black holes dual to thermal states
- Perturbations of black holes dual to hydrodynamics flows
- Black hole collisions dual to models of the formation and thermalization of the quark-gluon plasma formed in heavy ion collisions
- Various condensed matter dualities: superconductors, superfluids, quantum Hall effect, etc ... [see reviews by S. Hartnol, arXiv:1106.4324, G. Horowitz, arXiv:1010.2784; J. McGreevy, arXiv:0909.0518]
  - Interesting that black holes are involved in most of these correspondences are they "merely" supplying a temperature and fluid-like properties, as might have been expected from classical/semiclassical black hole physics, or are there deeper connections?
- Input that numerical relativity can bring to these studies are solutions to the classical gravity side of the correspondence in regimes difficult or impossible to study via analytic methods

## 5D AdS spacetime

• Global AdS in spherical-polar type coordinates

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 + \frac{r^{2}}{L^{2}}\right)dt^{2} + \left(1 + \frac{r^{2}}{L^{2}}\right)^{-1}dr^{2} + r^{2}\left(d\chi^{2} + \sin^{2}\chi d\Omega_{2}^{2}\right)$$



- spacetime of constant negative curvature (*R*=-20/*L*<sup>2</sup>)
- the boundary metric  $(r \rightarrow \infty)$  is the 4D Einstein static universe  $(R \times S^3)$
- Poincare coordinates cover a conformally flat piece of global AdS (the Poincare patch)

$$ds^{2} = -W^{2} \left( -dt^{2} + d\bar{x}_{4}^{2} \right)$$
  

$$W^{2} = \sqrt{1 + r^{2}/L^{2}} \cos(t/L) + r/L \cos(\chi/L); W > 0$$

this segment of AdS is usually used for applications with a CFT on  $R^{3,1}$ ; we will solve the equations in global coordinates and transform to a patch as needed

#### Main source of difficulty evolving AAdS spacetimes

 The boundary ("infinity") is timelike, and correctly solving for the metric behavior approaching it is *crucial* to the problem; however the metric is *singular* in the limit

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 + \frac{r^{2}}{L^{2}}\right)dt^{2} + \left(1 + \frac{r^{2}}{L^{2}}\right)^{-1}dr^{2} + r^{2}d\Omega_{3}^{2}$$



• This is not a "true" geometric singularity, though still has important physical consequences :

*Infinite proper distance* from any point in the interior to a point on the boundary on a *t=const.* slice; null signals will propagate back and forth in *finite proper time*, experiencing *infinite red/blue* shift in the process

#### Generalized harmonic evolution of AAdS spacetimes

• We want to solve Einstein's equations with a scalar field matter source and cosmological constant  $A = -6/L^2$ ,

$$\begin{split} R_{\alpha\beta} &- \frac{1}{2} R \, g_{\alpha\beta} + \Lambda g_{\alpha\beta} = 8\pi \, T_{\alpha\beta} \\ \nabla_{\gamma} \nabla^{\gamma} \phi &= \frac{\partial V(\phi)}{\partial \phi} \\ T_{\alpha\beta} &= \nabla_{\alpha} \phi \, \nabla_{\beta} \phi - g_{\alpha\beta} \bigg( \frac{1}{2} \nabla^{\gamma} \phi \nabla_{\gamma} \phi + V(\phi) \bigg) \end{split}$$

using the GH harmonic scheme *[Garfinkle, PRD 65 (2002), FP CQG 22 (2005)]*, with constraint damping *[Gundlach et al., CQG 22 (2005)]* 

 The specific spacetimes we will look at here are initially time-symmetric, axisymmetric, high density concentrations of scalar field energy that immediately form distorted black holes that ring down to AdS Schwarzchild black holes

#### Generalized harmonic evolution of AAdS spacetimes

• Specifically, the Einstein equations in GH form are a set of coupled, qausi-linear hyperbolic PDEs, one for each metric element

$$-\frac{1}{2}g^{\gamma\delta}g_{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta} - g^{\gamma\delta}_{,(\alpha}g_{\beta)\delta,\gamma} - \Gamma^{\gamma}_{\delta\beta}\Gamma^{\delta}_{\gamma\alpha} - H_{(\alpha,\beta)} + H_{\delta}\Gamma^{\delta}_{\alpha\beta}$$
$$-\kappa \Big(2n_{(\alpha}C_{\beta)} - (1+P)g_{\alpha\beta}n^{\gamma}C_{\gamma}\Big) = \frac{2}{3}\Lambda g_{\alpha\beta} + 8\pi \Big(T_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{3}g_{\alpha\beta}T\Big)$$

where

$$C^{\mu} \equiv H^{\mu} - \nabla^{\alpha} \nabla_{\alpha} x^{\mu} = 0; \ n_{\mu} = -\alpha \partial_{\mu} t$$

and *k* and *P* are constraint damping parameters

- Because of the singular nature of the AAdS boundary, we cannot directly discretize these equations using the metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$  and source functions  $H_{\mu}$ 
  - To describe the regularization, we first need to fix (in part) the gauge

#### Coordinates

• Choose spherical polar coordinates  $(t, \rho, \chi, \theta, \phi)$ , with a compactified radial coordinate  $\rho$  related to the standard AdS coordinate r via

$$r = \frac{\rho}{1 - \rho/\ell}; \ r \in [0..\infty] \to \rho \in [0..\ell]$$

where  $\ell$  is some length scale; for simplicity we choose  $\ell = 1$  and define a related coordinate  $q = 1 - \rho$  so that the boundary is at q = 0

- For a first study, consider spacetimes with SO(3) symmetry; i.e. non-trivial fields only a function of  $(t, \rho, \chi)$ 
  - corresponds to axisymmetric spacetimes in the bulk, and will be dual to CFT states that have a related symmetry in the stress energy
- AdS vacuum metric in these coordinates:

$$ds^{2} = \frac{1}{1 - \rho^{2}} \left[ -f(\rho) dt^{2} + f(\rho)^{-1} d\rho^{2} + \rho^{2} \left( d\chi^{2} + \sin^{2} \chi d\Omega_{2}^{2} \right) \right]$$
$$f(\rho) = (1 - \rho)^{2} + \rho^{2} / L^{2}$$

#### Regular variables at the AAdS Boundaries

 First, analytically subtract out the divergent parts corresponding to pure AdS

$$g_{\mu\nu} \equiv g_{\mu\nu}^{(AdS)} + \delta g_{\mu\nu}; \ H_{\mu} \equiv H_{\mu}^{(AdS)} + \delta H_{\mu}$$

• Second, for simplicity/stability we want to use coordinates where the leading order power-law approach to the AdS boundary takes on the standard (Fefferman-Graham) form used in most of the AdS/CFT literature [Henneaux and Teitelboim, Comm.Math.Phys 98 (1985)]

$$\begin{split} \delta g_{rr} &= f_{rr} \big( t, \chi, \theta, \phi \big) r^{-6} + O(r^{-7}) \\ \delta g_{rm} &= f_{rm} \big( t, \chi, \theta, \phi \big) r^{-5} + O(r^{-6}) \\ \delta g_{mn} &= f_{mn} \big( t, \chi, \theta, \phi \big) r^{-2} + O(r^{-3}) \end{split}$$

where m,n denote  $(t,\chi,\theta,\phi)$  components

#### Regular variables at the AAdS Boundaries

 Third, given the desired fall-off, factor out appropriate powers of q so that we can place a simple Dirichlet boundary condition there on the leading order component [Garfinkle & Duncan, PRD 63 (2001)]; putting all this together (with similar factoring for axis/origin regularity):

$$g_{tt} \equiv g_{tt}^{(AdS)} + q(1+\rho)\overline{g}_{tt}$$

$$g_{t\rho} \equiv q^{2}(1+\rho)^{2}\overline{g}_{t\rho}$$

$$g_{t\chi} \equiv q(1+\rho)\overline{g}_{t\chi}$$

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$$g_{\chi\chi} \equiv g_{\chi\chi}^{(AdS)} + q(1+\rho)\overline{g}_{\chi\chi}$$

$$g_{\theta\theta} = \frac{g_{\phi\phi}}{\sin^{2}\theta} \equiv g_{\theta\theta}^{(AdS)} + q(1+\rho)(\rho^{2}\sin^{2})$$

$$\begin{split} H_t &\equiv H_t^{(AdS)} + q^3 (1+\rho)^3 \overline{H}_t \\ H_\rho &\equiv H_\rho^{(AdS)} + q^2 (1+\rho)^2 \overline{H}_\rho \\ H_\chi &\equiv H_\chi^{(AdS)} + q^3 (1+\rho)^3 \overline{H}_\chi \end{split}$$

$$\Phi \equiv q^3 (1+\rho)^3 \overline{\Phi}$$

 we evolve the barred variables, and *each* one of them variables satisfies a Dirichlet condition at *ρ=1*

### GH equations approaching the AAdS Boundary

- Unfortunately, just defining variables that are regular and well-behaved in the limit is not good enough
  - the field equations still contain terms that are individually singular, though should conspire to cancel in a well-behaved gauge
  - to see this more clearly, expand the GH equations about q=0. define:

$$\begin{split} \overline{g}_{\mu\nu} &= \overline{g}_{(1)\mu\nu}(t,x) q + \overline{g}_{(2)\mu\nu}(t,x) q^2 + O(q^3) \\ \overline{H}_{\mu} &= \overline{H}_{(1)\mu}(t,x) q + \overline{H}_{(2)\mu}(t,x) q^2 + O(q^3) \\ \overline{\Phi} &= \overline{\Phi}_{(1)}(t,x) q + \overline{\Phi}_{(2)\mu}(t,x) q^2 + O(q^3) \end{split}$$

 the field equations in GH form are a set of wave equations, so substitute the above on and solve for a wavelike-operator acting on the leading order term

#### GH equations approaching the AAdS Boundary

• An illustrative example:

$$\widetilde{\nabla}_{(tt)}^2 \overline{g}_{(1)tt} = \left(-8\overline{g}_{(1)\rho\rho} + 4\overline{H}_{(1)\rho}\right)q^{-2} + O(q^{-1})$$

where

$$\widetilde{\nabla}^2 \sim -c_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + c_1 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \rho^2} + \dots$$

and  $c_0, c_1, \dots$  are coefficients that depend on the particular equation, but are finite and regular in the limit q=0

- There are a hierarchy (the q<sup>-2</sup> and q<sup>-1</sup> terms in all the equations) of "constraints", namely terms that do not contain second time derivatives of the field
  - Note: these are not (entirely) the harmonic constraints
- Implies we are *not* free to choose the asymptotic form of the regularized source functions if the evolution is to preserve the desired asymptotic form of the metric
  - e.g. "harmonic" with respect to AdS, i.e.  $H=H_{ADS}$  is not allowed (!)

### Asymptotic choice of gauge

• Guided by the q=0 expansion, and some trial and error, we found the following asymptotic gauge choice works well (stable, consistent evolution) in the cases we have looked at so far

$$\overline{H}_t\Big|_{\rho=1} = \frac{5}{2} \overline{g}_{t\rho}; \ \overline{H}_{\rho}\Big|_{\rho=1} = 2\overline{g}_{\rho\rho}; \ \overline{H}_{\chi}\Big|_{\rho=1} = \frac{5}{2} \overline{g}_{\rho\chi}$$

- many open questions regarding boundary conditions:
  - what class of gauges are consistent with a given choice of the asymptotic metric, and constraint preserving?
  - that we are not explicitly setting the leading order metric perturbation is akin to the way axis-regularity conditions are set; i.e., it is not a traditional boundary in the sense where one is free to set the modes coming into the computational domain
    - this corresponds to a boundary theory without "sources"; if we need to add them, in general the leading order metric fall-off would change, and how would this alter the above regularity conditions?

#### Brief overview of code

- Discretize equations in base second order in space and time from
- Standard, second order accurate finite differences (requires 3 time levels)
- Apparent horizon found via flow method, and used as basis for excision
- Kreiss-Oliger style numerical dissipation
- Berger & Oliger style AMR, multigrid (for initial data) and parallel support through PAMR/AMRD libraries

### **Initial Data**

- Solve the constraints using ADM-based York-Lichnerowitz conformal decomposition
- For this study, restrict to time-symmetric initial data; momentum constraints trivially satisfied, solve the Hamiltonian constraint for a spatial metric that is conformal to pure AdS
- Non trivial initial curvature sourced by the scalar field; interestingly, for a scalar field profile with characteristic width of order the AdS length scale L, can specify arbitrary strong initial data; i.e. trapped surfaces of arbitrarily large radius present



## AAdS Black Holes

• The 5D AdS-Schwarzschild black has metric is:

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 + \frac{r^{2}}{L^{2}} - \frac{r_{0}^{2}}{r^{2}}\right)dt^{2} + \left(1 + \frac{r^{2}}{L^{2}} - \frac{r_{0}^{2}}{r^{2}}\right)^{-1}dr^{2} + r^{2}d\Omega_{3}^{2}$$

the horizon is at  $r=r_{H}$ , where

$$r_0 = r_H \sqrt{1 + r_H^2 / L^2}$$

and it has mass, entropy and temperature

$$M = \frac{3\pi}{8} r_{o}^{2}; \ S = \frac{\pi^{2} r_{H}^{3}}{2}; \ T = \frac{r_{H}}{\pi L^{2}} \left(1 + \frac{L^{2}}{2 r_{H}^{2}}\right) \approx \frac{r_{H}}{\pi L^{2}}$$

- Gravitational and scalar field perturbations of 5D AdS-Schwarzschild black holes exhibit quasi-normal (QN) decay [Horowitz & Hubeny PRD 62 (2000); Review: Berti, Cardoso & Starinets CQG 26 (2009)]
  - in general for the metric there are scalar, vector & tensor modes; here due to axisymmetry only scalar modes can be excited
  - decompose scalar perturbation into scalar spherical harmonics on S',  $S_{klm}(\chi, \theta, \varphi)$ ; again due to symmetry only  $k \neq 0$ ; l=m=0.
  - A given QN mode can then schematically be written as

$$f_{klm}(t,\rho,\chi,\theta,\varphi) = A_{klm}(\rho)S_{klm}(\chi,\theta,\varphi)e^{-i\omega_{klm}}$$
$$\omega = \omega_{r} + i\omega_{i}$$

 the decay time (imaginary mode) is of most interest to heavy ion collisions ↔ thermalization/equilibration time scale of boundary state

• For large BHs relative to  $L(r_H > L)$ , there are *fast* 

$$\omega \approx (3.0 - 2.7i) \frac{r_H}{L^2}$$
 (k = 2, l = m = 0; fund.mode)

and *slow* 

$$\omega \approx 1.6 \frac{1}{L} - 0.8i \frac{1}{r_H}$$
 (k = 2, l = m = 0; fund.mode)

gravitational QNMs; the former can be thought of as related to "microscopic" perturbations of the boundary state, the latter "hydrodynamic".

The scalar field only has fast modes

$$\omega \approx (3.0 - 2.7i) \frac{r_H}{L^2}$$
 (k = 0, l = m = 0; fund.mode)

• form a distorted BH via asymmetric scalar field collapse

$$\overline{\Phi}(\boldsymbol{\rho},\boldsymbol{\chi},t=0) = Ae^{-\frac{\boldsymbol{\rho}^2\cos^2\boldsymbol{\chi}}{w_{\chi}^2}-\frac{\boldsymbol{\rho}^2\sin^2\boldsymbol{\chi}}{w_{y}^2}}$$



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 To give some idea of how "non-linear" we are, below is the ratio of equatorial to polar circumference of AH for increasing asymmetric ID



 Can describe asymptotic behavior of fields as a superposition of linear QN modes, plus what appears to be a gauge mode (a purely decaying exponential); the non-linearity manifests in higher k-number modes through the appearance of harmonics of the lower k-modes

## Boundary stress energy : $w_y/w_x=4$



• To compare, The AdS-Schwarzschild solution describes a thermal state on S<sup>3</sup> with (*L*=1):

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with equation of state and transport coefficients given by

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- Strategy to test for consistency
  - evaluate divergence of the extracted boundary SET
     ... is it converging to zero? Yes.
  - from the extracted boundary SET, compute an energy density and 4 velocity ... using this and the constitutive relations, reconstruct the SET order by order in the derivative expansion and compare to the remaining components of the extracted SET
    - i.e. we have 4 independent components of the extracted SET (ε,v,P<sub>2</sub>P<sub>θ/φ</sub>), but if the dynamics is of that of a thermal fluid, only 2 are independent

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## Boundary Hydrodynamics : extracted velocities



# Boundary Hydrodynamics : consistency with a SYM fluid

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with equation of state and transport coefficients given by

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## Boundary stress energy : $w_y/w_x = 32$

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### Connecting to QGP flows

- The simulations were performed in global coordinates; to relate to hydrodynamics in Minkowski spacetime we need to extract a Poincare patch of the boundary
  - some freedom in terms of which patch to use and the conformal transformation from S<sup>3</sup>xR to R<sup>3,1</sup> : use a transformation by Gubser [PRD82, 2010] designed to capture deviations from translational invariance orthogonal to the collision axis in the Bjorken flow picture
  - time-symmetric conditions suggest t=0 is a decent approximation to the "moment of collision" (though we're starting with a thermal state)

![](_page_39_Figure_4.jpeg)

#### *Temperature*, $w_y/w_x = 32$

## Conclusions

- Future extensions/applications
  - connect simulation results to QGP experiments by some postprocess description of particle production (e.g. Cooper-Frye)
    - based on this tune gravity initial conditions to best model experiments
  - relax symmetries and initial data to model non-central collisions, and possibly a pre-thermalization stage of the collision (soliton collisions?)
  - adding various matter fields, including those corresponding to operator insertions in the CFT and hence "deformed" AdS asymptotics
  - theoretical questions : how far can the gravity/fluid duality be pushed – turbulence?; "instability" of AdS in the sense of Bizon et al., etc.

# Boundary Hydrodynamics : consistency with a SYM fluid

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## Boundary Hydrodynamics : extracted velocities

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### Connecting to QGP flows

- The simulations were performed in global coordinates; to relate to hydrodynamics in Minkowski spacetime we need to extract a Poincare patch of the boundary
  - some freedom in terms of which patch to use and the conformal transformation from S<sup>3</sup>xR to R<sup>3,1</sup> : use a transformation by Gubser [PRD82, 2010] designed to capture deviations from translational invariance orthogonal to the collision axis in the Bjorken flow picture
  - time-symmetric conditions suggest t=0 is a decent approximation to the "moment of collision" (though we're starting with a thermal state)

![](_page_44_Figure_4.jpeg)

#### *Temperature*, $w_y/w_x = 32$

• Correspondence suggests if the bulk is dual to a thermal state on the boundary, the boundary SET should behave like a  $\mathcal{N}=4$  SYM conformal fluid

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} T_{\mu\nu}^{(i)}$$

where up to 2<sup>nd</sup> order in a derivative expansion of the fluid velocity

$$T^{(0)}_{\mu\nu} = \epsilon u_{\mu}u_{\nu} + P \perp_{\mu\nu}$$

$$T^{(1)}_{\mu\nu} = -2\eta\sigma_{\mu\nu}$$

$$T^{(2)}_{\mu\nu} = -2\eta \left[-\tau_{\pi}u^{\lambda}\mathcal{D}_{\lambda}\sigma_{\mu\nu} + \tau_{\omega}\left(\omega_{\mu}{}^{\lambda}\sigma_{\lambda\nu} + \omega_{\nu}{}^{\lambda}\sigma_{\lambda\mu}\right)\right]$$

$$+\xi_{\sigma}\left[\sigma_{\mu}{}^{\lambda}\sigma_{\lambda\nu} - \frac{\perp_{\mu\nu}}{3}\sigma^{\alpha\beta}\sigma_{\alpha\beta}\right] + \xi_{C}C_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta}u^{\alpha}u^{\beta}$$