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ER=EPR and Replica Wormholes in Quantum Mechanics and AdS Gravity



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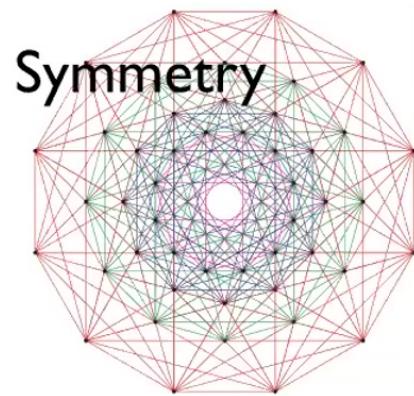


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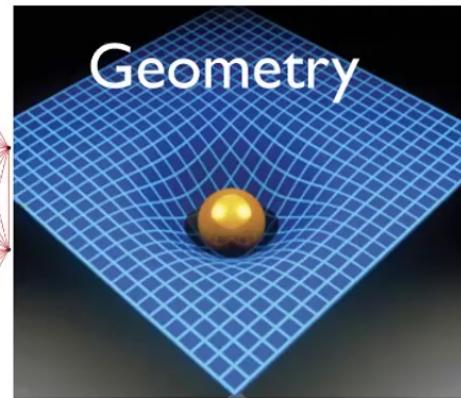




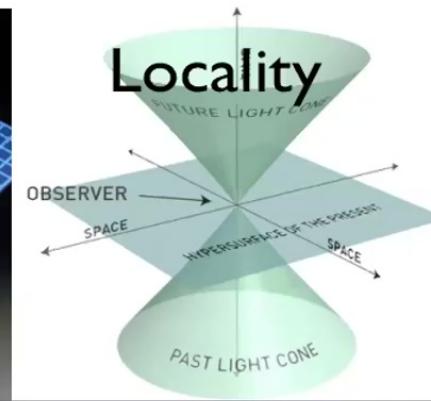
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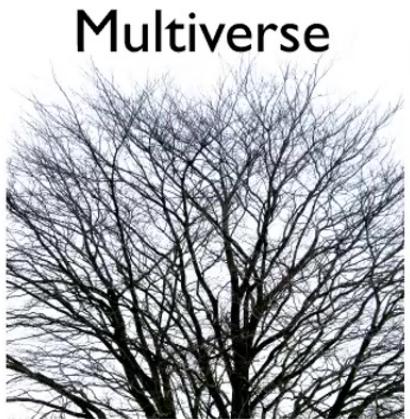
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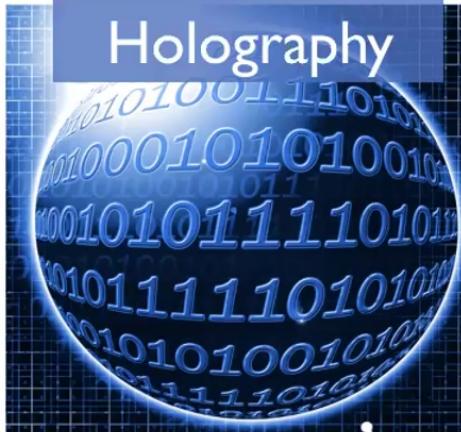
Geometry



Locality

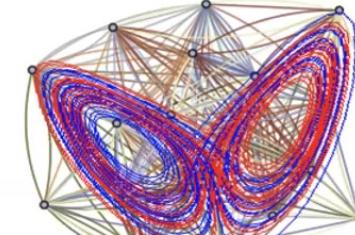


Multiverse



Holography

Quantum Chaos



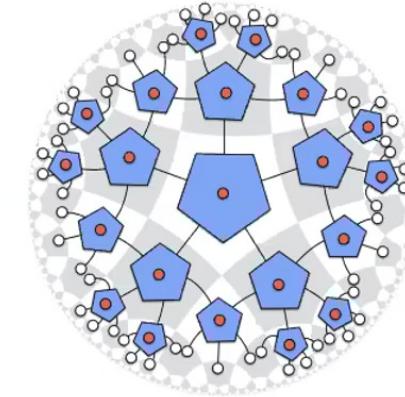
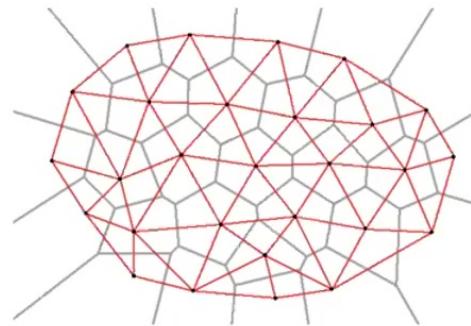
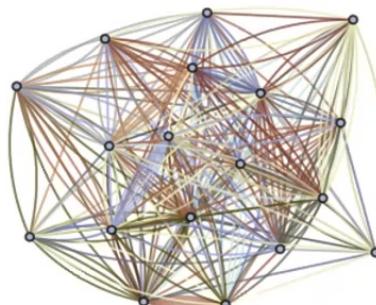
The search for the theory on quantum gravity is guided by basic principles



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- holography: $S = \frac{1}{4} \text{Area}$
- quantum information theory
- thermodynamics
- locality and causality
- space-time dynamics
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Some helpful tools: many body QM, CFT bootstrap, large N, tensor networks,





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Bulk

Boundary

String Theory

Ensemble averaged
Thermodynamic quantities
Dominated by effective
Gravitational dynamics

Quantum Gravity in Bulk

Holographic Dictionary

Discrete Spectrum

Continuum Spectrum

Holographic Quantum Many Body System

Ensemble averaged
Thermodynamic quantities
Dominated by effective
Goldstone mode

Dynamical Quantum Gravity on Boundary





The Bekenstein-Hawking relation

$$S = \frac{A}{4G_N} \quad (1)$$

- i) counts the number of microstates of a one-sided black hole with given macroscopic properties
- ii) counts the microscopic entanglement across the event horizon connecting the two sides of an eternal black hole.



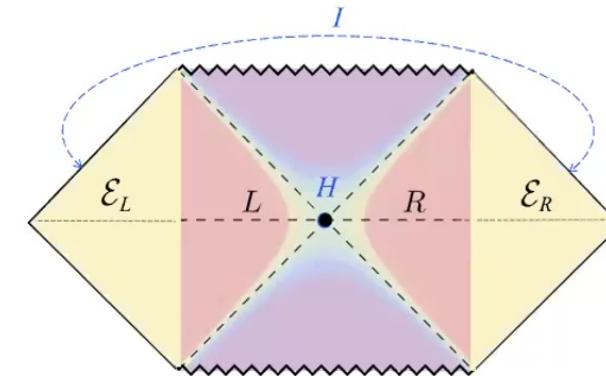
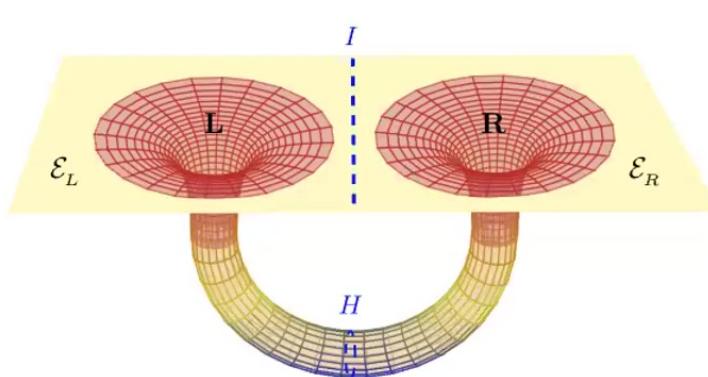
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Both proposals are well tested: i) finds support in AdS/CFT and string theory

ii) finds support via the RT formula and the interpretation of the thermofield double

$$|\text{TFD}\rangle = \sum_n \sqrt{p_n} |\uparrow n\rangle_L |\downarrow n\rangle_R \quad p_n = e^{-\beta E_n} / Z$$

as the quantum state of a two-sided black hole with an ER bridge





Rob Myers

The TFD is an idealized pure state with zero vN entropy, while a two-sided black hole is a macroscopic object with a large entropy.

So let's ask the question:

How much entropy can a two sided black hole contain?

Clearly it's bounded by: $0 < S < 2S_{BH}$ with $S_{BH} = A/4G_N$

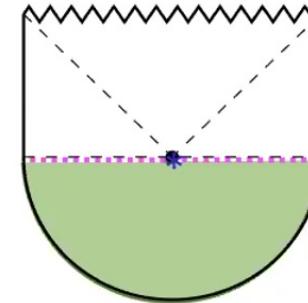
Three thermal states



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1) Thermofield double

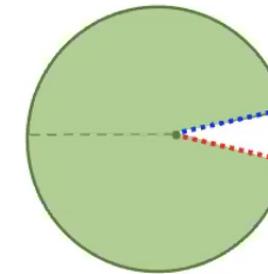
$$|\text{TFD}\rangle = \sum_n \sqrt{p_n} |n\rangle_L |n\rangle_R$$



Entanglement => Connected!

2) Thermal density matrix

$$\rho_R = \sum_n p_n |n\rangle_R \langle n|$$



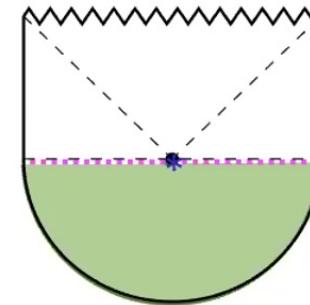
$$\rho_R = \text{tr}_L(\rho_{\text{TFD}}) \quad \rho_{\text{TFD}} = |\text{TFD}\rangle \langle \text{TFD}|$$

Three thermal states



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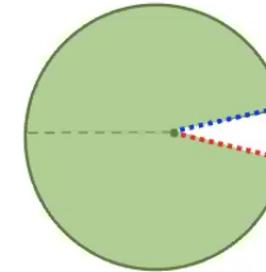
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$$S_R = -\text{tr}(\rho_R \log \rho_R) = -\sum_n p_n \log p_n = S_{BH}.$$



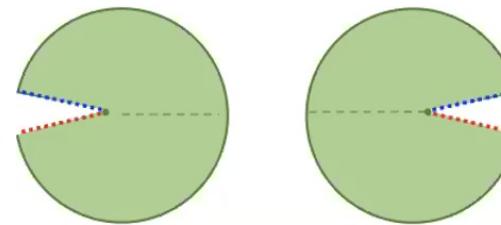


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2') Factorized thermal state:

$$\rho_L \otimes \rho_R = \sum_n p_n |n\rangle_L \langle n| \otimes \sum_{\tilde{n}} p_{\tilde{n}} |\tilde{n}\rangle_R \langle \tilde{n}|$$

$$S(\rho_L \otimes \rho_R) = 2S_{BH}$$



Uncorrelated => Disconnected!



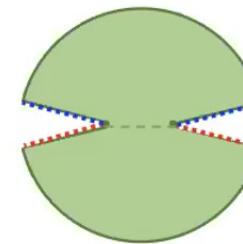


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3) Thermal mixed double state:

$$\rho_{\text{TMD}} = \sum_n p_n |n\rangle_L \langle n| \otimes |n\rangle_R \langle n|$$

$$S(\rho_{\text{TMD}}) = S_{BH}$$



Only classical correlations => Connected via Island!



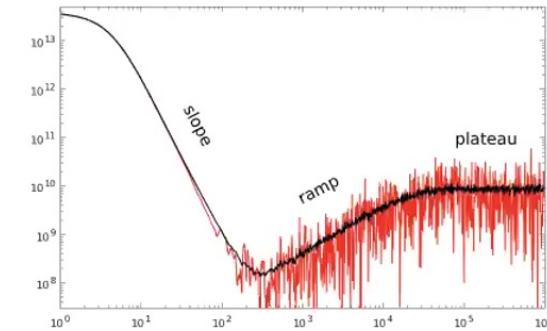
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$$e^{i\alpha_n} = e^{-iE_n t_\alpha}$$

$$|Z(\beta + it_\alpha)|^2 = |\langle \text{TFD} | \text{TFD} \rangle_\alpha|^2 = \sum_{n,m} p_n p_m e^{i(\alpha_n - \alpha_m)}$$

Spectral form factor

Plateau = late time average



Saad, Shenker, Stanford

$$\overline{|Z(\beta + it)|^2} = \overline{|\langle \text{TFD} | \text{TFD} \rangle_\alpha|^2} = \text{tr}(\rho_{\text{TMD}}^2)$$

$$\rho_{\text{TMD}} = \overline{|\langle \text{TFD} \rangle_\alpha \langle \text{TFD} |} = \sum_n p_n |n\rangle_L \langle n| \otimes |n\rangle_R \langle n|$$

$$\overline{e^{i(\alpha_n - \alpha_m)}} = \delta_{nm}.$$





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All three satisfy: $\rho_R = \text{tr}_L(\rho_{\text{TMD}}) = \text{tr}_L(\rho_{\text{TFD}}) = \text{tr}_L(\rho_L \otimes \rho_R)$

Distinguished by amount
of mutual information

$$I_{LR} = S_L + S_R - S_{LR}$$

$$I_{LR} = \begin{cases} 2S_{BH} & \text{for TFD} \\ S_{BH} & \text{for TMD} \\ 0 & \text{for } \rho_L \otimes \rho_R \end{cases} \quad \begin{aligned} S(\rho_{\text{TFD}}) &= 0 \\ S(\rho_{\text{TMD}}) &= S_{BH} \\ S(\rho_L \otimes \rho_R) &= 2S_{BH} \end{aligned}$$

TFD has true entanglement, while the TMD has only classical correlation.

The factorized state has zero correlation between the two sides.

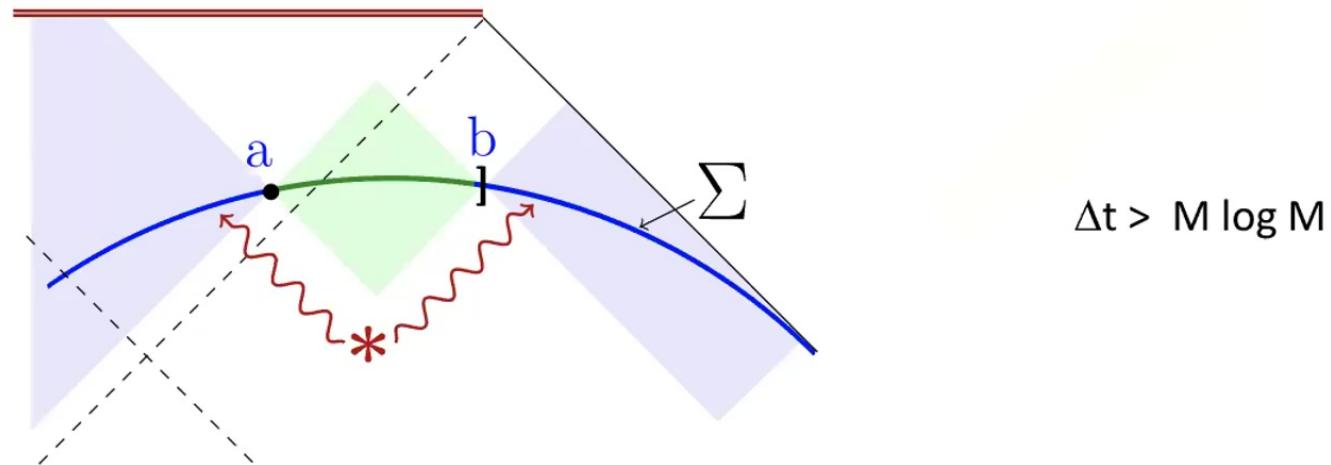




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Recent work has uncovered the existence of a new quantum extremal surface
bounding an 'Island' inside the black hole, that appears after the Page time.

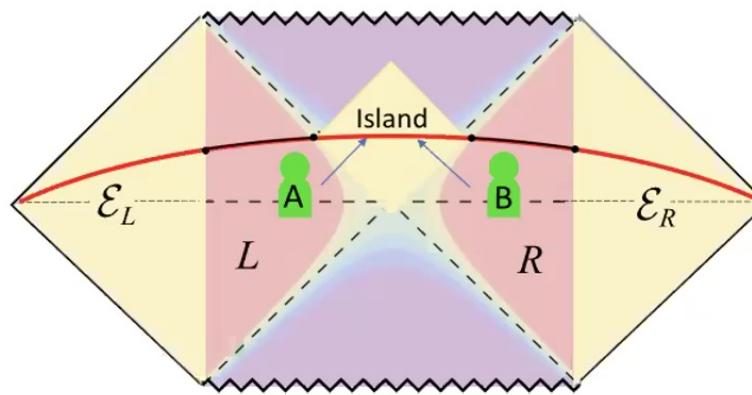
The quantum information inside the 'Island' is contained in the Hawking radiation:



$$\Delta t > M \log M$$



Two sided black hole with an Island:



The density matrices of the environment and the CFT are obtained by computing the below two geometric path integrals. The extra cut in the middle is the Island:

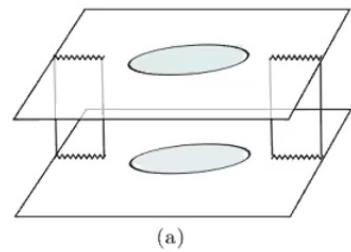
$$\rho_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \rho_{\text{CFT}} = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$



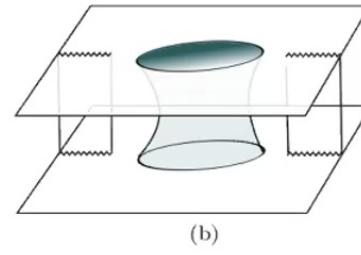


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The presence of the Island gives rise to new 'replica wormhole' saddle points in the gravitational replica method for computing the Renyi entropy of ρ_{CFT}



(a)



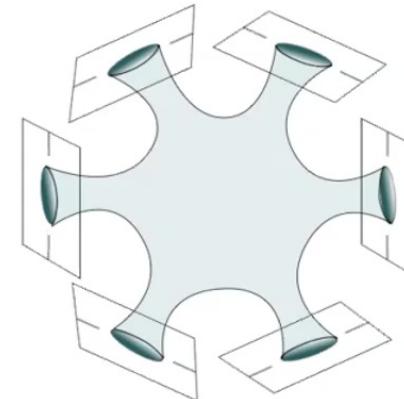
(b)

Penington, Shenker,
Stanford, Yang

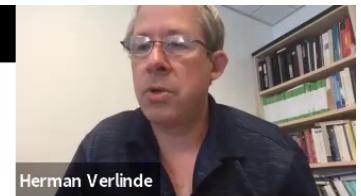
Almheiri, Hartman,
Maldacena,
Shaghoulian, Tajdini

$$\text{tr}(\rho_{\text{TMD}}^n) = \frac{Z(\Sigma_n)}{Z(\beta)^n}$$

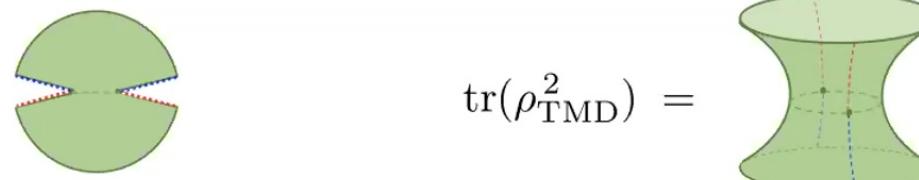
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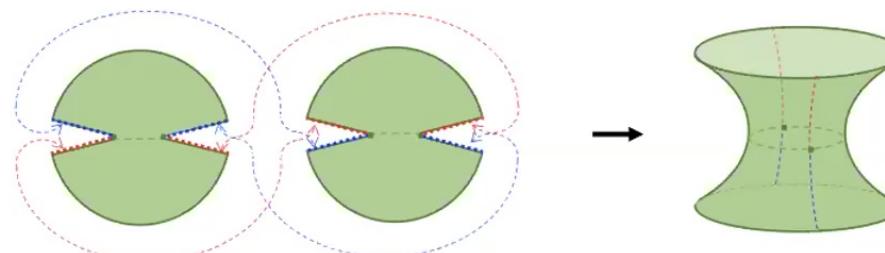
We would like to find the explicit form of this special mixed state!



Let's first consider the second Renyi entropy or purity:

$$\rho_{\text{TMD}} = \text{circle} \quad \text{tr}(\rho_{\text{TMD}}^2) = \text{spindle}$$


This can be verified with some minor amount of mental gymnastics:



Replica wormholes in Quantum Mechanics



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Commutator
Algebra

$$[X^a, X^c] = \omega^{ac}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{2} \omega_{ab} dX^a \wedge dX^b + dJ \wedge d\tau$$

Casimirs

$$[J_I, X^a] = 0$$

Symplectic Form

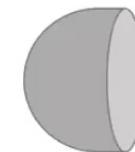
$$Z(\Sigma) = \int [dXd\tau] e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} S_\Sigma[X, \tau]}$$

$$S_\Sigma[X, \tau] = \int_\Sigma \Omega - \oint_{\partial\Sigma} H dt = \int_\Sigma \omega + \oint_{\partial\Sigma} (J d\tau - H dt)$$

Thermal Partition
Function

$$Z(\beta) = Z(D)$$

$$D =$$



Disk Partition
Function



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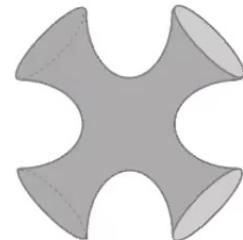
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Renyi
Entropy

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Replica Wormhole
Partition Function



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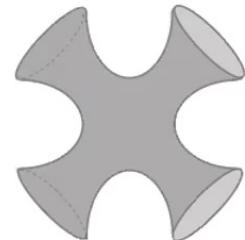
Poisson
sigma
model

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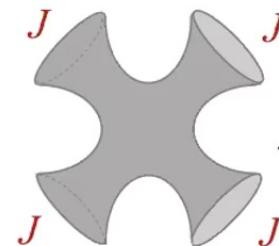
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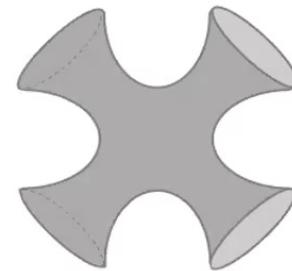




Replica wormholes in 2D CFT

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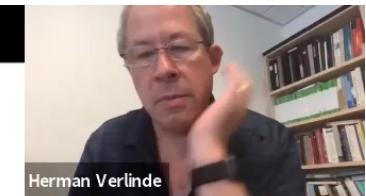
$$\Sigma_n =$$



$$Z_{\text{CFT}}(\Sigma_n) = \sum_{\Delta, \bar{\Delta}} e^{-n\beta(\Delta + \bar{\Delta})} Z_\Delta(\Sigma_n) \bar{Z}_{\bar{\Delta}}(\Sigma_n)$$

$$Z_\Delta(\Sigma_n) = \int_{\substack{F(A)=0 \\ C(A)=C_\Delta}} [dA] e^{-\int_{\Sigma_n} \Omega_{\text{WP}}}$$

From 2D CFT Quantum Mechanics to 3D AdS Gravity



An 'exact' definition of the replica wormhole partition function in 2D CFT

$$Z_{\text{CFT}}(\Sigma_n) = \sum_{\Delta, \bar{\Delta}} \int_{\substack{C(\mathbf{A}) = C_\Delta \\ C(\bar{\mathbf{A}}) = C_{\bar{\Delta}}}} [d\mathbf{A} d\bar{\mathbf{A}}] e^{-CS(\mathbf{A}) + CS(\bar{\mathbf{A}})}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_3 = \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of a green knotted surface} \\ \times S^1 \end{array}$$

$$C(\mathbf{A}) = \text{tr} \left(\text{P exp} \oint_{S^1} \mathbf{A} \right)$$

Casimir

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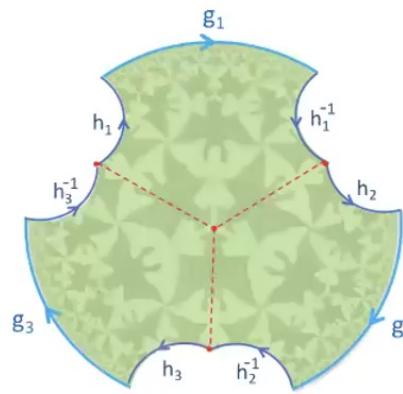
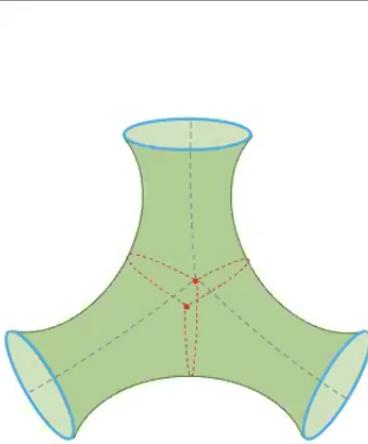
$$Z_{\text{CFT}}(\Sigma_n) \stackrel{?}{\simeq} \int [d\mathbf{A} d\bar{\mathbf{A}}] e^{-CS(\mathbf{A}) + CS(\bar{\mathbf{A}})} \stackrel{?}{\simeq} \int [dg] e^{-S_E[g]}$$

Under which conditions does it reproduce the gravitational prescription?

$$\mathcal{M}_3 = \text{Diagram of a genus-3 surface} \times S^1$$

$$C(\mathbf{A}) = \text{tr} \left(\text{P exp} \oint_{S^1} \mathbf{A} \right)$$

Casimir



We need to compute the volume of the moduli space of cc metrics

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$$Z(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n) = \text{Vol}(\mathcal{M}(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n))$$

= space of all transition functions subject to the holonomy constraint

$$h_1 g_1 h_1^{-1} \cdot h_2 g_2 h_2^{-1} \cdots h_n g_n h_n^{-1} = 1$$

The computation is straightforward, and in fact standard:

$$\text{Vol}(\mathcal{M}(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n)) = \int dh_1 dh_2 \dots dh_n \delta(h_1 g_1 h_1^{-1} \cdot h_2 g_2 h_2^{-1} \cdots h_n g_n h_n^{-1} - 1) =$$

$$\int ds \rho(s) \int dh_1 \dots dh_n \chi_s(h_1 g_1 h_1^{-1} \cdots h_n g_n h_n^{-1}) = \int ds \rho(s) \chi_s(g_1) \chi_s(g_2) \dots \chi_s(g_n)$$



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Conclusion:

- We have formulated a new holographic relation: an ER bridge can carry microscopic entropy bounded by $S < A/4G_N$.
- The typical state of an ER bridge is given by a thermo-mixed double.
- The Renyi entropy of the TMD coincides with the answer obtained via the replica wormhole calculation.