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Abstract: We examine holographic complexity in the doubly holographic model to study quantum extremal islands. We focus on the holographic complexity=volume (CV) proposal for boundary subregions in the island phase. Exploiting the Fefferman-Graham expansion of the metric and other geometric quantities near the brane, we derive the leading contributions to the complexity and interpret these in terms of the generalized volume of the island derived from the higher curvature action for the brane gravity. Motivated by these results, we propose a generalization of the CV proposal for higher curvature theories of gravity. Further, we provide two consistency checks of our proposal by studying Gauss-Bonnet gravity and  $f(R)$  gravity in the bulk.



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[arXiv:2010.16398](https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.16398)

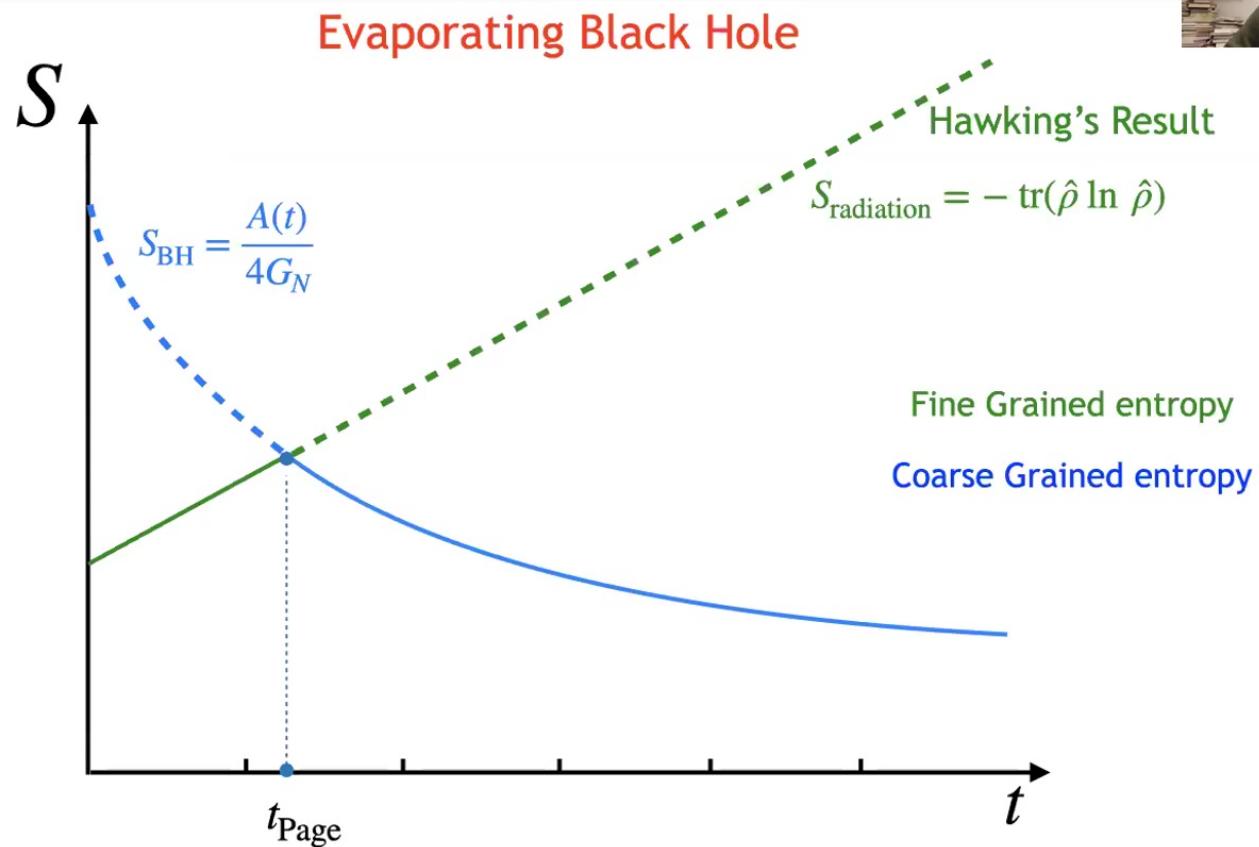
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# Outline

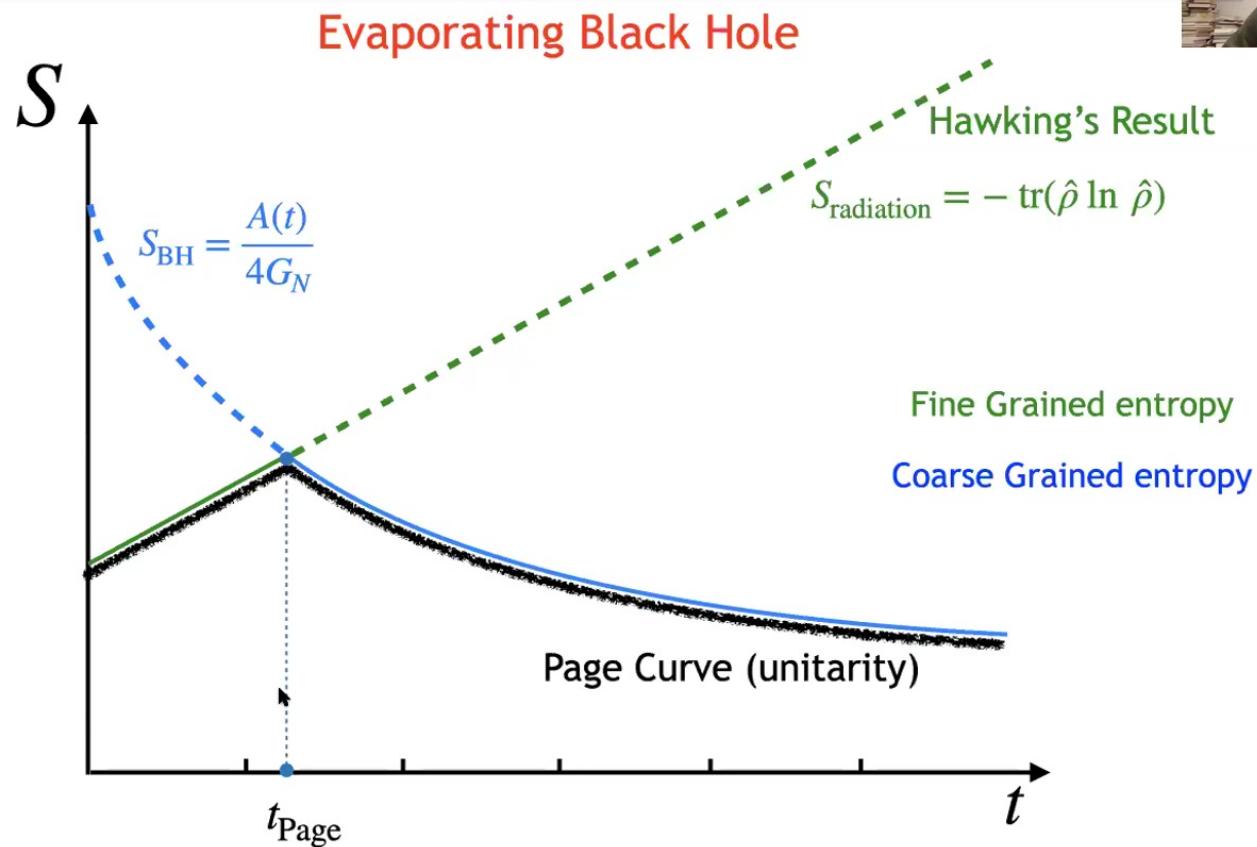


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# 01. Generalized Entropy and QES



Need a correct formula for entropy of BH/Radiations

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See 1905.08762, Almheiri, Engelhardt, Marolf, Maxfield  
1905.08255, Penington

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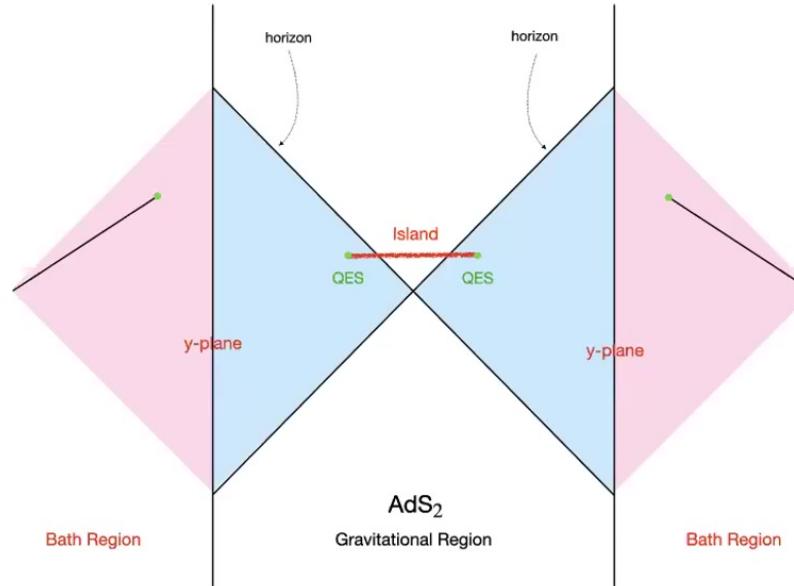
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# 01. Island Formula

see: 1908.10  
2006.06872

A correct formula for  
the fine grained entropy of Hawking radiation

Island Formula:  $S_{\text{radiation}} = \text{Min}_X \left[ \text{Ext}_X \left( \frac{A[X]}{4G_N} + S_{\text{QFT}} (\Sigma_{\text{radiation}} \cup \Sigma_{\text{Island}}) \right) \right]$



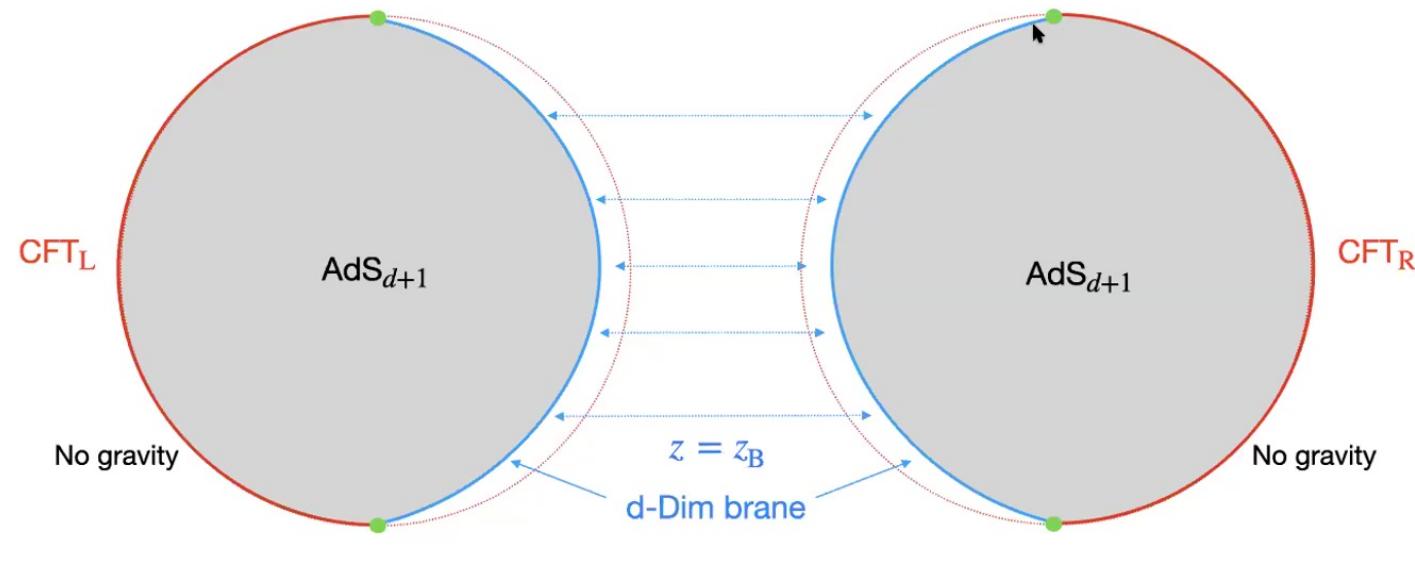
## 02. Doubly Holographic Model



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2010.00018

### Higher-Dimensional Construction

Randall-Sundrum scenario



$$ds^2 = \frac{L^2}{z^2} \left[ dz^2 + \left( 1 + \frac{z^2}{4L^2} \right)^2 g_{ij}^{\text{AdS}_d} dx^i dx^j \right]$$

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## 02. Doubly Holographic Model



(d+1)-Dim bulk gravity perspective:  $\text{AdS}_{d+1}$  gravity coupled to brane

$$I_{\text{bulk}} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_{\text{bulk}}} \int_{\text{bulk}} d^{d+1}y \sqrt{-g} \left( \frac{d(d-1)}{L^2} + \mathcal{R}[g_{\mu\nu}] \right)$$

$$I_{\text{brane}} = -T_o \int d^d x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}}$$

Boundary perspective: Holographic  $\text{CFT}_d$  coupled to defect ( $\text{CFT}_{d-1}$ )

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$$I_{\text{brane}} = -T_o \int d^d x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}}$$

d-Dim brane perspective:  $\text{CFT}_d$  living on asymptotic boundary and **d-dim brane**

$$I_{\text{ind}} = 2(I_{\text{bulk}} + I_{\text{bdy}}) + I_{\text{brane}} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{contains} \\ \text{induced gravity} \end{matrix}$$

Boundary perspective: Holographic  $\text{CFT}_d$  coupled to **defect ( $\text{CFT}_{d-1}$ )**

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## 02. Doubly Holographic Model



Adding gravity on the brane

Dvali, Gabadadze and Porrati

hep-th/0005016

$$I_{\text{brane}} = - (T_o - \Delta T) \int d^d x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} + \frac{1}{16\pi G_{\text{brane}}} \int d^d x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \tilde{R}$$

Effective d-dim holographic gravity  $z = z_B \ll L$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\text{eff}} = & \frac{1}{16\pi G_{\text{eff}}} \int d^d x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \left[ \frac{(d-1)(d-2)}{\ell_{\text{eff}}^2} + \tilde{R}(\tilde{g}) \right] \\ & + \frac{1}{16\pi G_{\text{RS}}} \int d^d x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \left[ \frac{L^2}{(d-4)(d-2)} \left( \tilde{R}^{ij} \tilde{R}_{ij} - \frac{d}{4(d-1)} \tilde{R}^2 \right) + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{G_{\text{eff}}} = \frac{2L}{(d-2)G_{\text{bulk}}} + \frac{1}{G_{\text{brane}}}, \quad \frac{1}{G_{\text{RS}}} = \frac{2L}{(d-2)G_{\text{bulk}}}$$

# 03. Entanglement Entropy & Island Rule



Holographic Entanglement Entropy in AAdS<sub>d+1</sub>

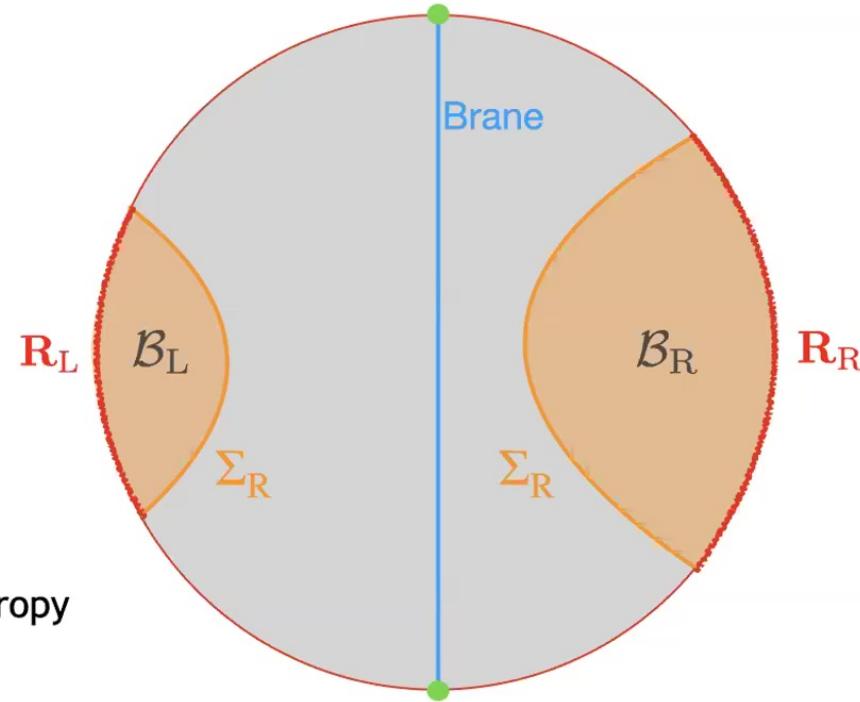
S. Ryu and T. Takayanagi  
hep-th/0603001

boundary subregion:  $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}_L \cup \mathbf{R}_R$

RT surface:  $\Sigma_R$

$$S_{EE}(\mathbf{R}) = \min \left\{ \text{ext}_{\Sigma_R} \left( \frac{A(\Sigma_R)}{4G_{\text{bulk}}} \right) \right\}$$

Holography knows entanglement entropy



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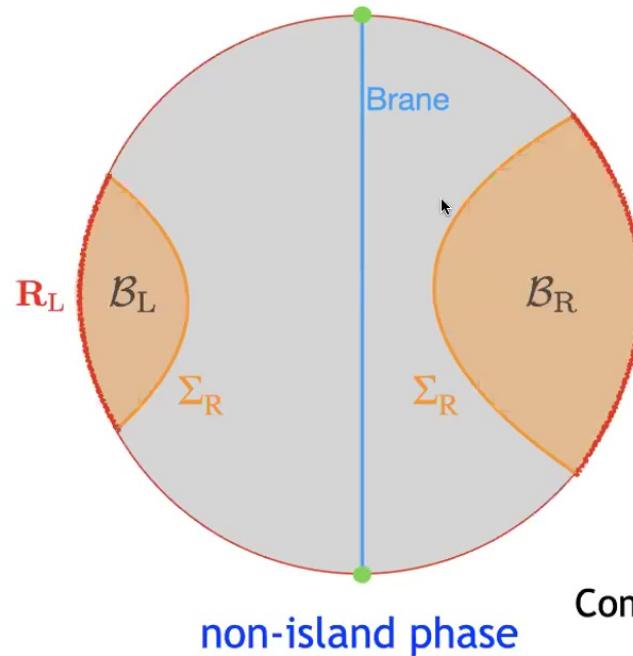
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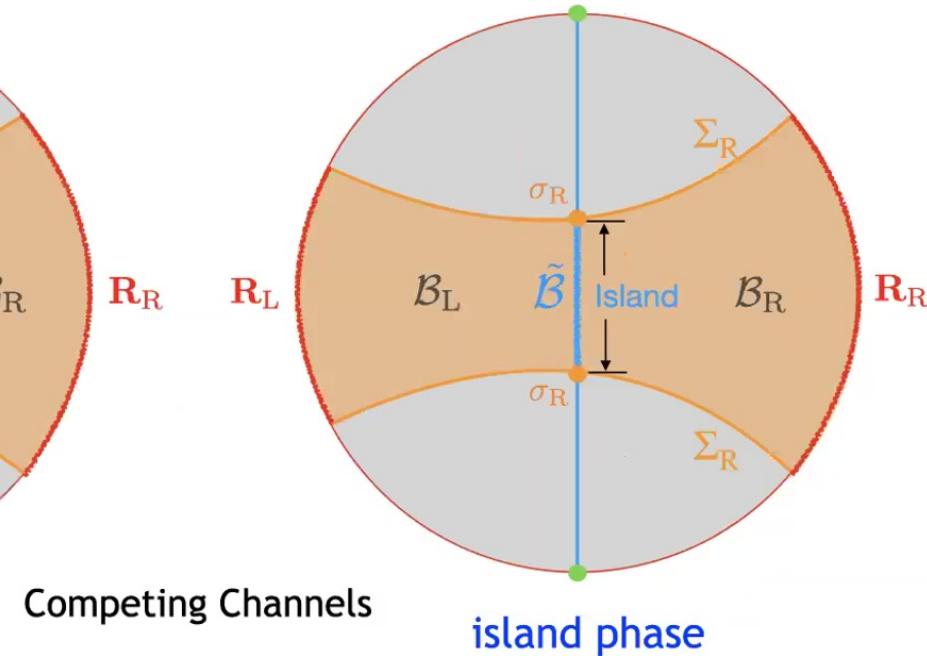
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disconnected RT phase



connected RT phase



Competing Channels

$$S_{\text{dis}}(\mathbf{R}) \geq S_{\text{con}}(\mathbf{R})$$

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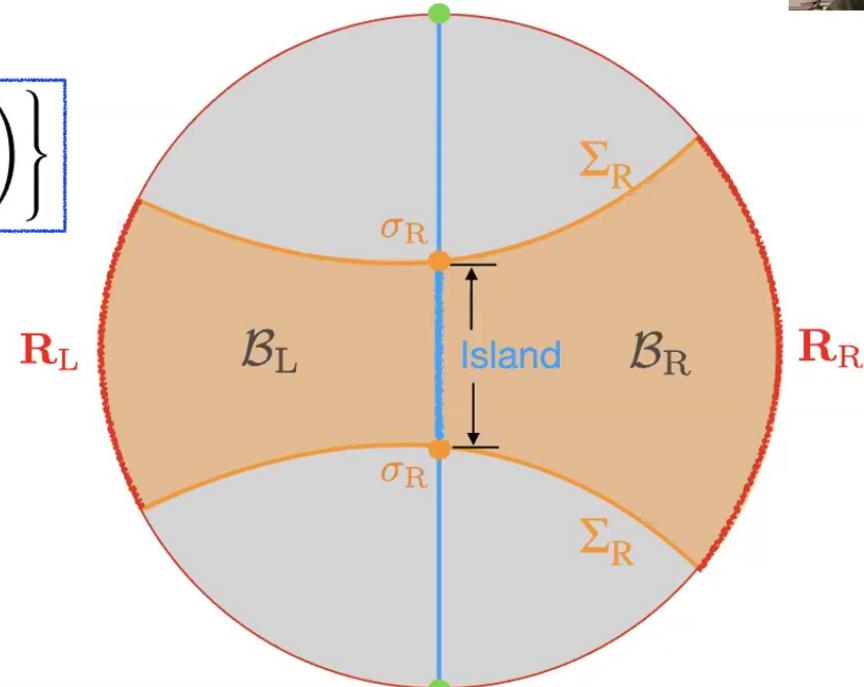
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A generalization of RT formula

$$S_{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{R}) = \min \left\{ \underset{\Sigma_{\mathbf{R}}}{\text{ext}} \left( \frac{A(\Sigma_{\mathbf{R}})}{4G_{\text{bulk}}} + \frac{A(\sigma_{\mathbf{R}})}{4G_{\text{brane}}} \right) \right\}$$

A result from  $(d+1)$ -dim bulk



Island Formula

$$S_{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{R}) = \min \left\{ \underset{\text{islands}}{\text{ext}} \left( S_{\text{QFT}}(R \cup \text{islands}) + \frac{A(\partial(\text{islands}))}{4G_N} \right) \right\}$$

Quantum extremal surface  
 $\sigma_{\mathbf{R}} \equiv \partial(\text{Islands})$

# 03. Entanglement Entropy&Island Rule



## Island Rule for Higher-Curvature Gravity

$$S_{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{R}) = \min \left\{ \underset{\text{islands}}{\text{ext}} \left( S_{\text{QFT}}(R \cup \text{islands}) + \frac{A(\partial(\text{islands}))}{4G_N} \right) \right\}$$

Einstein gravity (area law)

$$\frac{A(\sigma_R)}{4G_N} \longrightarrow S_{\text{Wald-Dong}} \quad \text{Higher-curvature gravity}$$

$$S_{\text{Wald-Dong}} = 2\pi \int d^{D-2}y \sqrt{g} \left\{ -\frac{\partial L}{\partial R_{\mu\rho\nu}} \epsilon_{\mu\rho} \epsilon_{\nu\sigma} + \sum_{\alpha} \left( \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial R_{\mu_1\rho_1\nu_1\sigma_1} \partial R_{\mu_2\rho_2\nu_2\sigma_2}} \right)_{\alpha} \frac{2K_{\lambda_1\rho_1\sigma_1} K_{\lambda_2\rho_2\sigma_2}}{q_{\alpha} + 1} \times \right.$$

$$\left. \times \left[ \left( n_{\mu_1\mu_2} n_{\nu_1\nu_2} - \epsilon_{\mu_1\mu_2} \epsilon_{\nu_1\nu_2} \right) n^{\lambda_1\lambda_2} + \left( n_{\mu_1\mu_2} \epsilon_{\nu_1\nu_2} + \epsilon_{\mu_1\mu_2} n_{\nu_1\nu_2} \right) \epsilon^{\lambda_1\lambda_2} \right] \right\}$$

# 03. Entanglement Entropy&Island Rule



(d+1)-dim  
RT formula

$$S_{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{R}) = \min_{\Sigma_{\mathbf{R}}} \left\{ \text{ext} \left( \frac{A(\Sigma_{\mathbf{R}})}{4G_{\text{bulk}}} + \frac{A(\sigma_{\mathbf{R}})}{4G_{\text{brane}}} \right) \right\}$$

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Equivalence up to  
quantum corrections

d-dim  
Island Formula

$$S_{\text{EE}}(\mathbf{R}) = \min_{\text{islands}} \left\{ \text{ext} \left( S_{\text{QFT}}(R \cup \text{islands}) + \frac{A(\partial(\text{islands}))}{4G_{\text{eff}}} \right) \right\}$$

$S_{\text{Wald-Dong}}$

# 04. Complexity on the Brane

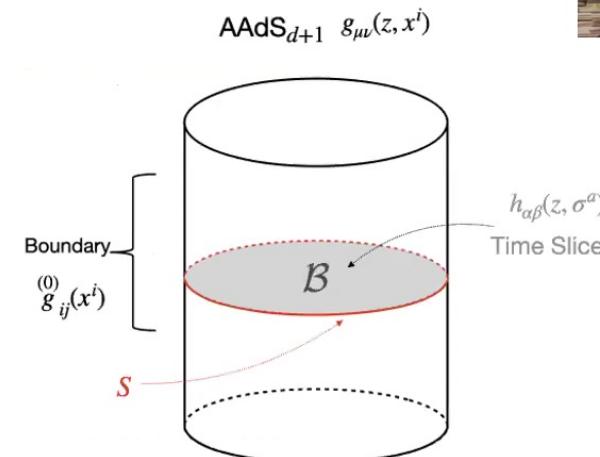


## Holographic Complexity

$$C_v(S) = \max_{\partial B=S} \left[ \frac{V(B)}{G_N \ell} \right]$$

mysterious length scale

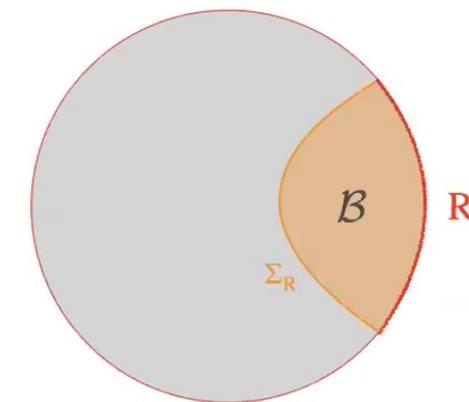
D. Stanford & L. Susskind : 1403.5698, 1406.2678



## Holographic Subregion-Complexity

$$C_V^{sub}(R) = \max_{\partial B=R \cup \Sigma_R} \left[ \frac{V(B)}{G_N \ell} \right]$$

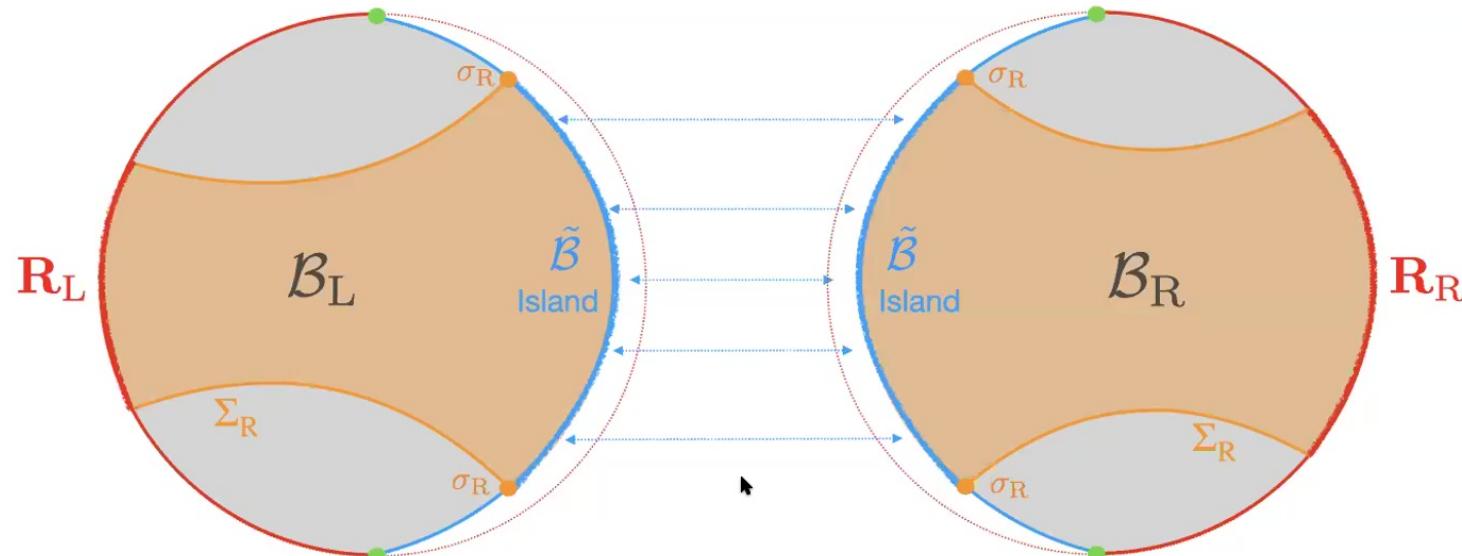
See: 1509.06614; 1612.00433



## 04. Complexity on the Brane



Island Phase



CV from  
(d+1)-dim bulk

$$C_V^{\text{sub}}(\mathbf{R}) = \max_{\partial\mathbf{B}=\mathbf{R}\cup\Sigma_R} \left[ \frac{V(\mathbf{B}_L) + V(\mathbf{B}_R)}{G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} \right]$$

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## Holographic Subregion-Complexity

CV from  
(d+1)-dim bulk

$$C_V^{\text{sub}}(\mathbf{R}) = \max_{\partial\mathbf{B}=\mathbf{R}\cup\Sigma_R} \left[ \frac{V(\mathbf{B}_L) + V(\mathbf{B}_R)}{G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} + \frac{V(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}})}{G_{\text{brane}}\ell'} \right]$$

d-dim subregion  $\mathbf{B} \equiv \mathbf{B}_L \cup \mathbf{B}_R$

(d-1)-dim Islands  $\widetilde{\mathbf{B}} \equiv \mathbf{B}_L \cap \mathbf{B}_R$

Expectation from  
d-dim brane theory

$$C_v^{\text{sub}}(\mathbf{R}) \simeq \max_{\partial\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}=\sigma_R} \left[ \frac{V(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}})}{G_{\text{eff}}\ell'} + \dots \right]$$

volume of the island

$$\ell' = \frac{d-1}{d-2} \ell$$

DGP term

# 04. Complexity on the Brane



$$\begin{aligned}
 C_V^{\text{sub}}(\mathbf{R}) &\longrightarrow \frac{V(\mathbf{B})}{G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} = \frac{1}{G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} \int_{\mathbf{B}} d^{d-1}\sigma dz \sqrt{\det h_{\alpha\beta}} \\
 &\simeq \frac{2LV(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}})}{(d-1)G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} + \frac{2L^3}{G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} \int_{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}} d^{d-1}\sigma \sqrt{\det \tilde{h}_{ab}} \left( \underbrace{\frac{\tilde{K}^2}{2(d-1)^2(d-3)}}_{\text{Extrinsic}} - \underbrace{\frac{\tilde{R}_{ij}\tilde{n}^i\tilde{n}^j + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{R}}{(d-1)(d-2)(d-3)}}_{\text{Intrinsic}} \right) + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

With the volume of islands

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}) &= \int_{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}} d^{d-1}\sigma \sqrt{\det \tilde{h}_{ab}} \\
 &= L^{d-1} \int_{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}} d^{d-1}\sigma \sqrt{\det^{(0)} h_{ab}} \left[ \frac{1}{z_B^{d-1}} + \frac{1}{z_B^{d-3}} \left( \frac{K^2}{2(d-1)} - \frac{R_a^a - \frac{1}{2}R}{2(d-2)} \right) + \dots \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

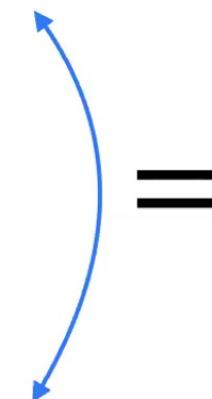
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## Holographic Subregion-Complexity

CV from  
(d+1)-dim bulk

$$C_V^{\text{sub}}(\mathbf{R}) = \max_{\partial\mathbf{B}=\mathbf{R}\cup\Sigma_R} \left[ \frac{V(\mathbf{B}_L) + V(\mathbf{B}_R)}{G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} + \frac{V(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}})}{G_{\text{brane}}\ell'} \right]$$



## Island Formula for Complexity ?

Generalized CV from  
d-dim brane theory

$$C_v^{\text{sub}}(\mathbf{R}) = \max_{\partial\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}=\sigma_R} \left[ \frac{\widetilde{W}_{\text{gen}}(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}) + \widetilde{W}_K(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}})}{G_{\text{eff}}\ell'} + C_{\text{bulk}}(R \cup \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}) \right]$$

$$\equiv C_v^{\text{Island}}(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}})$$

# 05. Complexity for Higher-Curvature Gravity



A proposal:

Generalized CV for any (d+1)-dim higher-curvature gravity

$$C_v(\mathbf{R}) = \max_{\partial\mathcal{B}=\mathbf{R}} \left[ \frac{W_{\text{gen}}(\mathcal{B}) + W_K(\mathcal{B})}{G_N \ell} \right], \quad (d > 2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} W_{\text{gen}}(\mathbf{B}) &= \frac{2}{(d-1)(d-2)} \int_{\mathbf{B}} d^d \sigma \sqrt{\det h} \left( 1 + (d-3) \frac{\partial \mathbf{L}_{\text{bulk}}}{\partial \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}} n_\mu h_{\nu\rho} n_\sigma \right) \\ W_K(\mathbf{B}) &= \frac{4(d-3)}{(d-1)^2(d-2)} \int_{\mathbf{B}} d^d \sigma \sqrt{\det h} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{L}_{\text{bulk}}}{\partial \mathcal{R}_{\mu_1\nu_1\rho_1\sigma_1} \partial \mathcal{R}_{\mu_2\nu_2\rho_2\sigma_2}} \\ &\quad \times \left[ \mathbf{K}_{\nu_1\sigma_1} \left( h_{\mu_1\rho_1} + (d-2)n_{\mu_1}n_{\rho_1} \right) \mathbf{K}_{\nu_2\sigma_2} \left( h_{\mu_2\rho_2} + (d-2)n_{\mu_2}n_{\rho_2} \right) \right] + \dots \end{aligned}$$

# 05. Complexity for Higher-Curvature Gravity



A test from higher curvature gravity in the bulk

Gauss-Bonnet gravity in the bulk

$$I_{\text{bulk}}^{\text{GB}} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_{\text{bulk}}} \int d^{d+1}y \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{d(d-1)}{L^2} + \mathcal{R} [g_{\mu\nu}] + \lambda_{\text{GB}} \mathcal{L}_{\text{GB}} \right] + I_{\text{surf}}^{\text{GB}}$$

with  $\lambda_{\text{GB}} = \frac{L^2 \lambda}{(d-2)(d-3)}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{GB}} = \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - 4\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{R}^2$

Generalized CV from (d+1)-dim GB gravity in the bulk

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{C}_V^{\text{sub}}(\mathbf{R}) &= \max_{\partial\mathbf{B}=\mathbf{R}\cup\Sigma_{\mathbf{R}}} \left[ \frac{V(\mathbf{B})}{G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} \frac{2L^2\lambda}{(d-1)(d-2)} \left( \int_{\mathbf{B}} d^{d-1}\sigma dz \sqrt{\det h_{\alpha\beta}} R_{\mathbf{B}} + 2 \int_{\tilde{\mathbf{B}}} d^{d-1}\sigma \sqrt{\det \tilde{h}} (K_L + K_R) \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

# 05. Complexity for Higher-Curvature Gravity



A test from GB gravity in the bulk

$$\begin{aligned} C_V^{\text{sub}}(\mathbf{R}) &= \max_{\partial\mathbf{B}=\mathbf{R}\cup\Sigma_R} \left[ \frac{W_{\text{gen}}(\mathbf{B}) + W_K(\mathbf{B}) + W_{\text{bdy}}(\partial\mathbf{B}_L \cup \partial\mathbf{B}_R)}{G_{\text{bulk}}\ell} \right] \\ &\simeq C_v^{\text{Island}}(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}) \equiv \max_{\partial\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}=\sigma_R} \left[ \frac{\widetilde{W}_{\text{gen}}(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}) + \widetilde{W}_K(\widetilde{\mathbf{B}})}{G_{\text{eff}}\ell'} + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

We can also check this equivalence for  $f(R)$  gravity in the bulk

# Remarks and Further Directions



- Generalized CV for higher-curvature gravity
- Generalized volume and K-term, boundary term
- Holography makes things easier
- Similar Story for CA?
- Island formula for complexity?
- Generalized complexity (what is quantum corrections  $C_{\text{bulk}}$ ?)
- A derivation of holographic complexity?
- Relation between EE (Wald-Dong) and generalized CV?
- .....



*Thanks for your attention!*