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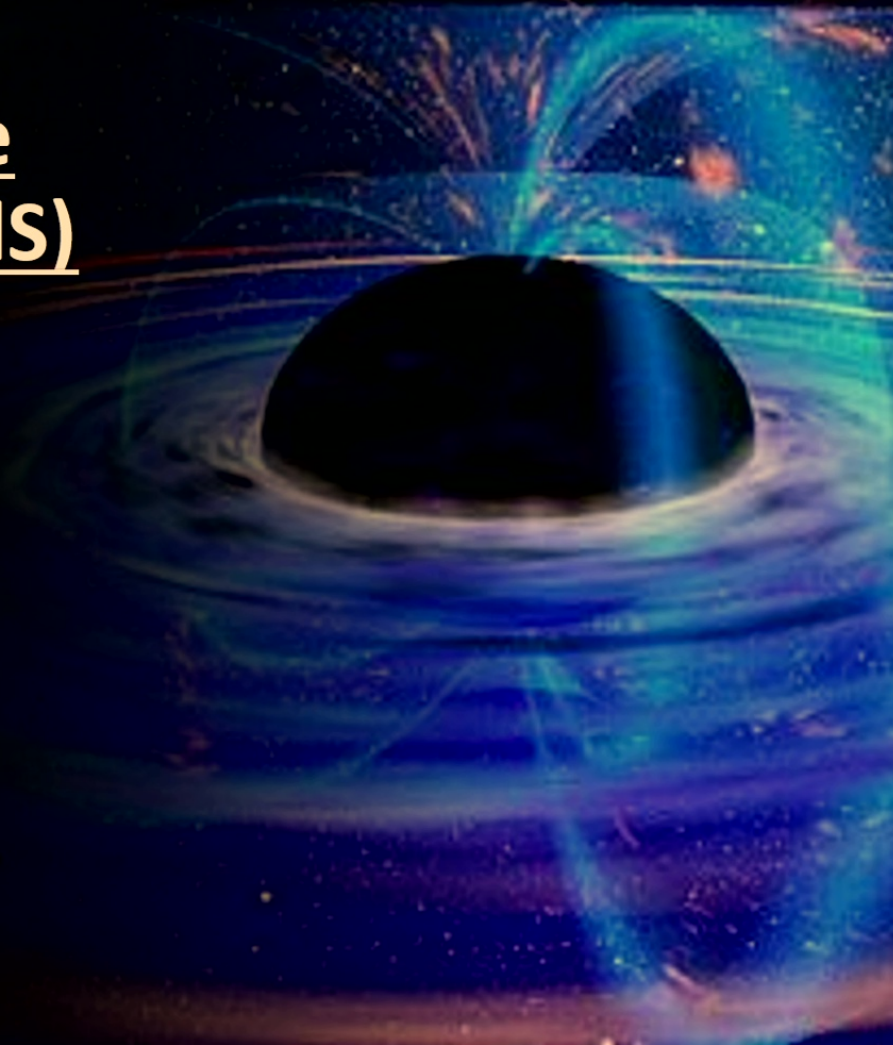
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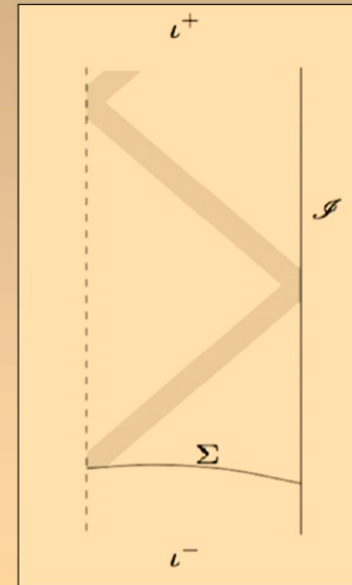
I) Black Holes in Anti de Sitter (AdS)



Global AdS4: a few basic facts

- **Anti de Sitter (AdS) space** = maximally symmetric solution of EE with negative Lambda:

$$G_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \Lambda = -\frac{3}{\ell^2}$$



Schwarzschild-AdS black hole

$$ds^2 = -f dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f} + r^2 d\Omega_k^2$$

$$f = k - \frac{2m}{r} + \frac{r^2}{\ell^2}$$

- It is an **Einstein space** (vacuum with Lambda solution)

$$G_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \Lambda = -\frac{3}{\ell^2}$$

- Choices of $k = 0, \pm 1$ correspond to various **horizon topologies** (with $d\Omega_k^2$ the corresponding metric).
- One can add, charge, or rotation – having charge-AdS, or Kerr-AdS black holes in 4 and higher dimensions.
- These have rather interesting properties.

Gravitational action in AdS

$$S_E = \frac{1}{16\pi} \int_M d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[R + \frac{6}{\ell^2} \right] + \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{\partial M} d^3x \sqrt{-h} \mathcal{K} \\ - \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{\partial M} d^3x \sqrt{-h} \left[\frac{2}{\ell} + \frac{\ell}{2} \mathcal{R}(h) \right],$$

- The 2nd line are the covariant AdS counterterms (c.f. 'vague' background subtraction in AF case)
- Variation yields:

$$\delta S_E = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} d^3x \sqrt{-h} \tau_{ab} \delta h^{ab} + \text{bulk EOM}$$

here

$$8\pi \tau_{ab} = \mathcal{K} h_{ab} - \mathcal{K}_{ab} + \ell G_{ab}(h) - \frac{2}{\ell} h_{ab}$$

is up to trivial (infinite) scaling the **holographic stress tensor**

a) Hawking-Page transition

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$$ds^2 = -f dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f} + r^2 d\Omega^2, \quad f = 1 - \frac{2M}{r} + \frac{r^2}{\ell^2}.$$

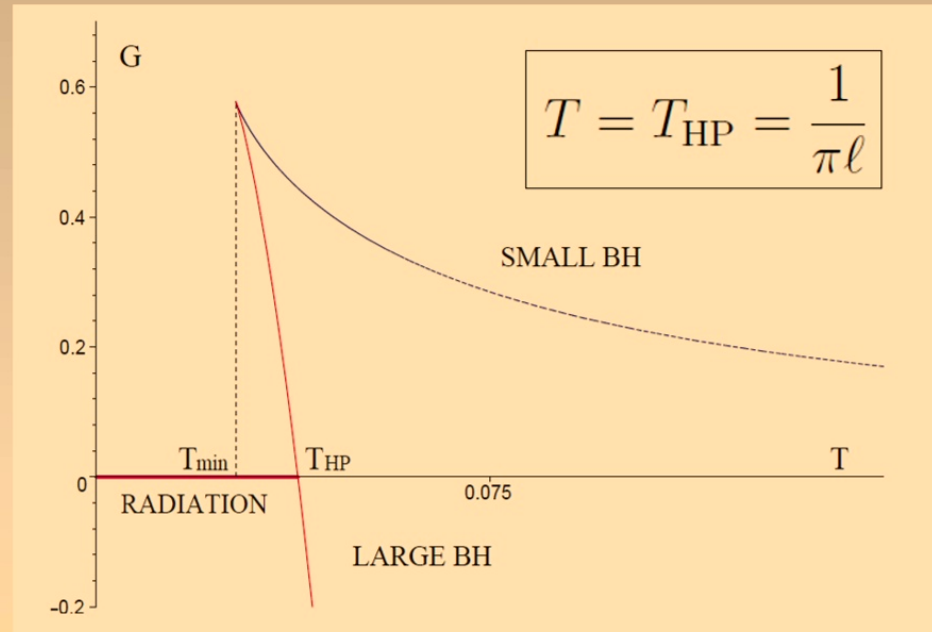
$$T = \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{\ell^2 + 3r_+^2}{4\pi\ell^2 r_+},$$

$$G = -\frac{1}{\beta} \log Z \approx \frac{S_E}{\beta} = \frac{r_+(\ell^2 - r_+^2)}{4\ell^2}$$

..can plot this parametrically (**Homework 1**) to get:

a) Hawking-Page transition

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1st-order radiation/large black hole phase transition

(dual to **confinement/deconfinement** PT of QGP)

b) Charged AdS BHs: VdW criticality

- A. Chamblin, R. Emparan, C.V. Johnson and R.C. Myers, *Charged AdS black holes and catastrophic holography*, PRD60 (1999) 064018.

Van der Waals fluid

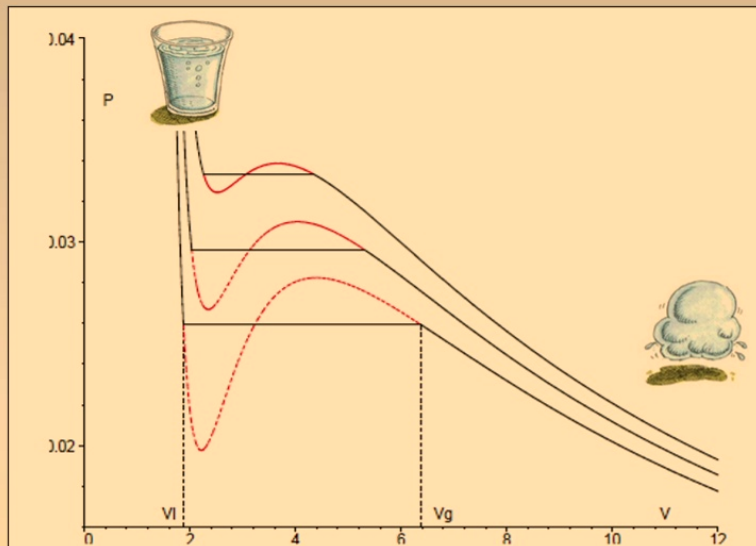


FIG. 2. Maxwell's equal area law. The 'oscillating' (dashed) part of the isotherm $T < T_c$ is replaced by an isobar, such that the areas above and below the isobar are equal one another.

$$\left(P + \frac{a}{v^2}\right) (v - b) = T$$

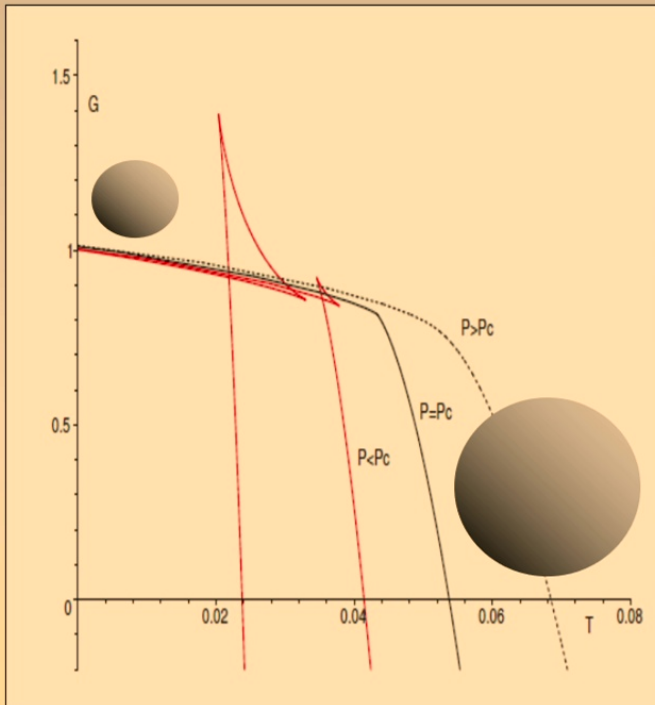
Parameter \underline{a} measures the **attraction** between particles ($a > 0$) and \underline{b} corresponds to "**volume of fluid particles**".

Critical point:

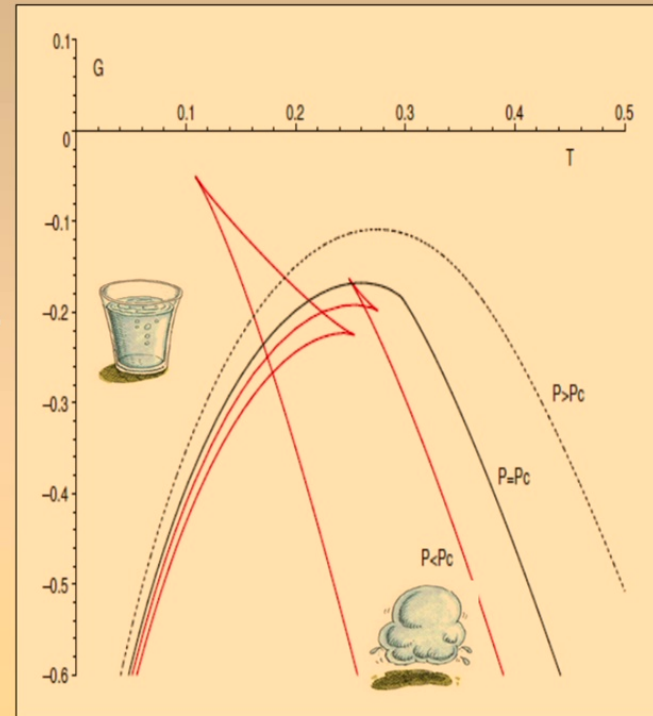
$$\rho_c = \frac{P_c v_c}{T_c} = \frac{3}{8}$$

Free energy: demonstrates standard **swallow tail** behavior

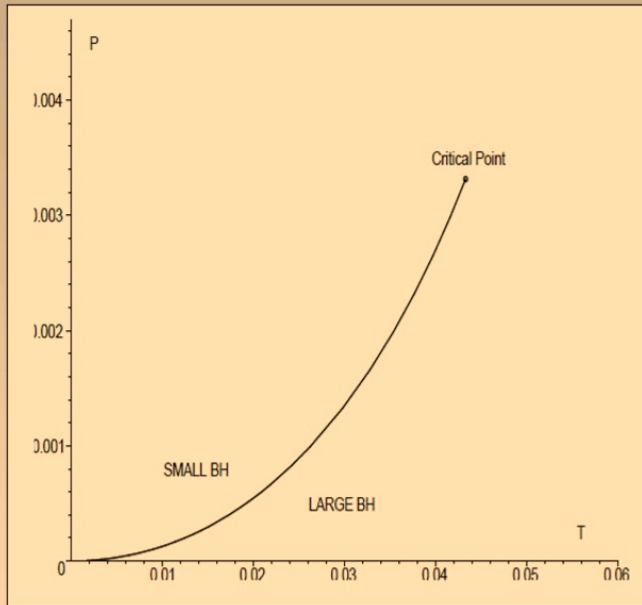
$$F = F(T, P, Q) = \frac{1}{4} \left(r_+ - \frac{8\pi}{3} P r_+^3 + \frac{3Q^2}{r_+} \right)$$



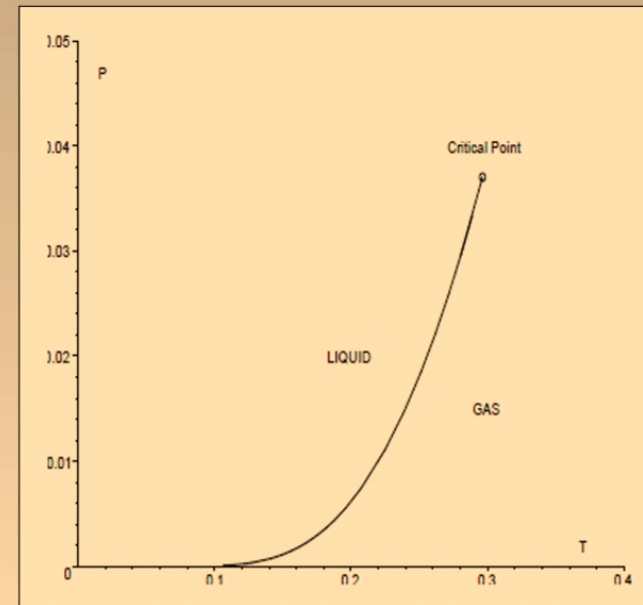
VS.



Phase diagrams: complete analogy



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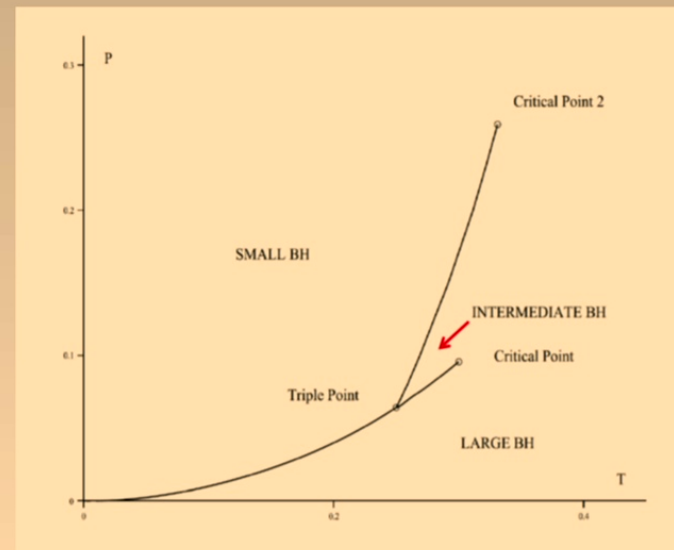
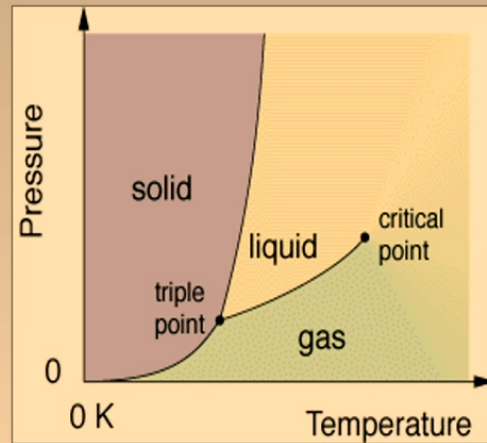
- Coexistence & critical point described by **Clausius-Clapeyron** and **Ehrenfest** equations

- **MFT critical exponents**

$$\alpha = 0, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \gamma = 1, \quad \delta = 3$$

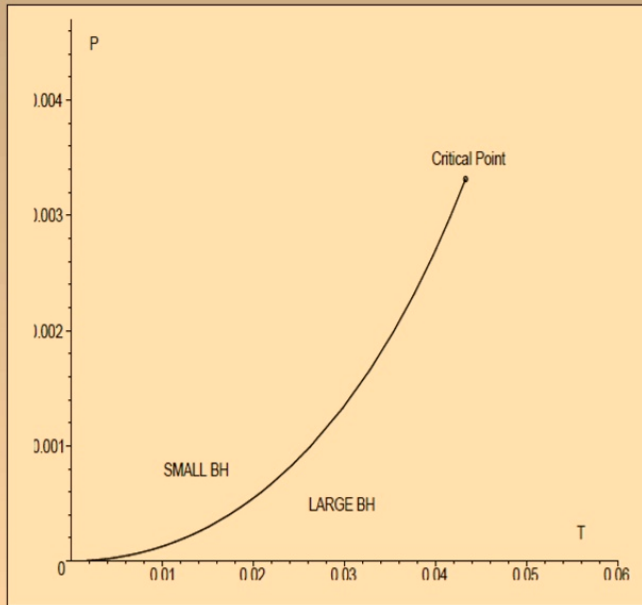
More generally: black hole chemistry

- Triple point and solid/liquid/gas analogue:

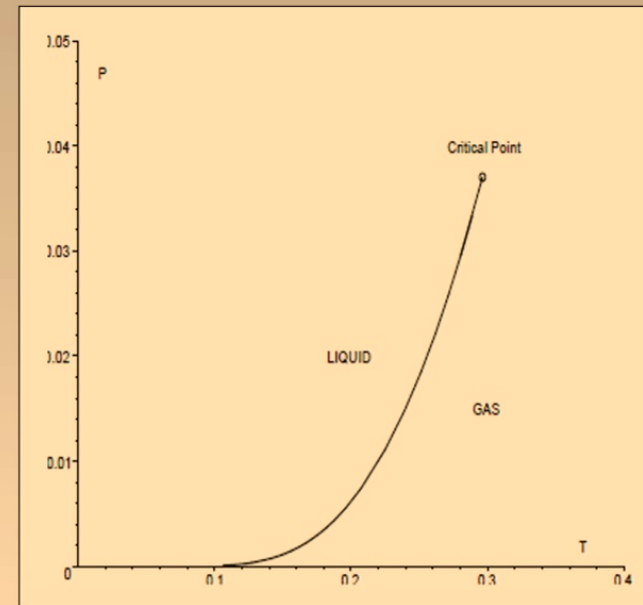


(can have n-tuple points)

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Summary

- 1) **AdS black holes** are an interesting generalization of their asymptotically flat cousins.
- 2) **AdS action** covariantly constructed by **holographic renormalization**. It yields **holographic stress tensor**, from where CFT properties can be calculated.
- 3) AdS black holes feature very interesting **phase transitions: Hawking-Page, Van der Waals, ...**
- 4) All these **phase transitions** have a **dual description** via the AdS/CFT duality. Can they be **observed** on the CFT side?

2) MOTIVATING AdS/CFT FROM ST

STRING THEORY = QUANTUM THEORY OF INTERACTING
RELATIVISTIC STRINGS (∞ HIGHER DIMEN. OBJECTS)

• CLASSICAL STRINGS

$$S_{\text{pp}}[X^\mu] = -m_0 \int d\tau = -m_0 \int \sqrt{-\eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\nu}{d\tau}} d\tau$$
$$= -m_0 \int \sqrt{-\det g_{\alpha\beta}} d\tau$$

SPACE

DS/CFT FROM ST

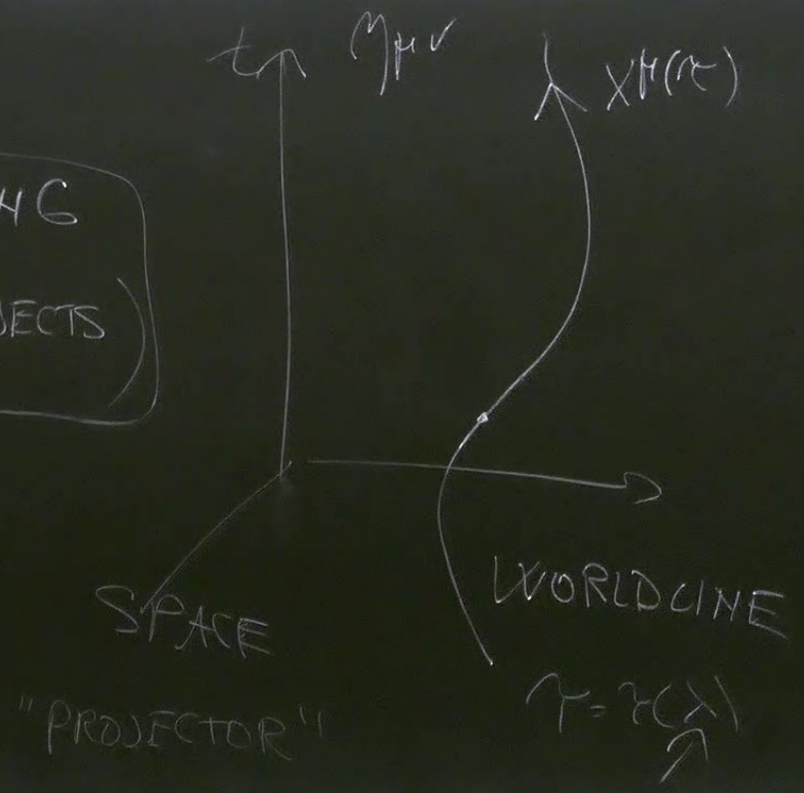
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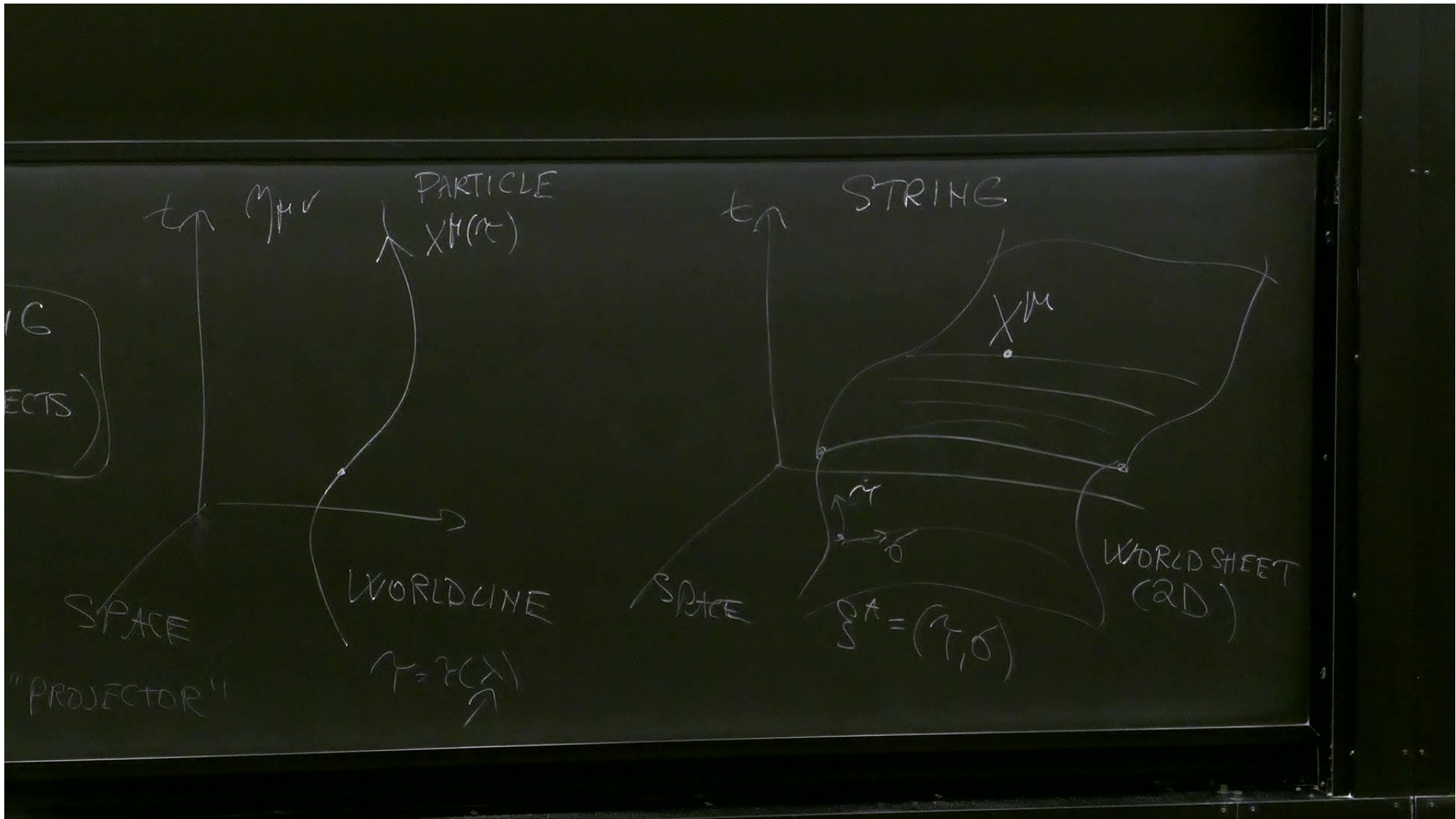
NGS

$$\int d^4x = -m_0 \int \sqrt{-\det g_{\mu\nu}} d\lambda$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{dx^\mu}{d\lambda} \frac{dx^\nu}{d\lambda} \right)$$

$$\frac{dx^\mu}{d\lambda}$$





FREE STRING MOTION EXTREMIZES THE
AREA OF WORLDLINE.

INDUCED METRIC:

$$\mathcal{P}_{AB} = \eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial \sigma^A} \frac{\partial x^\nu}{\partial \sigma^B}$$

PROJECTOR

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$$\frac{\partial x^\nu}{\partial \sigma^B}$$

PROJECTOR

$$S_{\text{STRING}}[x^\mu] = -T \int \sqrt{-\det g_{AB}} d^2\sigma$$

"PROJECTOR"

$$T = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'}, \quad \alpha' = l_s^2$$

↑ "STRING LENGTH"

MORE GENERALLY, P-BRANES WORLD VOLUME

P=0 ... PARTICLE

P=1 ... STRING

THIS IS GEOMETRICAL NAMBU-GOTO ACTION

• ALTERNATIVELY WE CAN CONSIDER POLYAKOV ACTION

$$S_{\text{POL PARTICLE}} [X^M, h] = \frac{1}{2} \int \left(\frac{1}{h} \eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{dx} \frac{dx^\nu}{dx} - m_0^2 h \right) dx$$

LAGRANGE MULTIPLIER
(NO DERIVATIVES OF h)

$$\delta h: \left(-\frac{1}{h^2} \eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{dx} \frac{dx^\nu}{dx} - m_0^2 \right) \delta h = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{1}{m_0} \sqrt{-\eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{dx} \frac{dx^\nu}{dx}}$$

PLUG BACK \Rightarrow

RECOVER
SPP

• CLASSICALLY THE TWO ARE EQUIVALENT^o

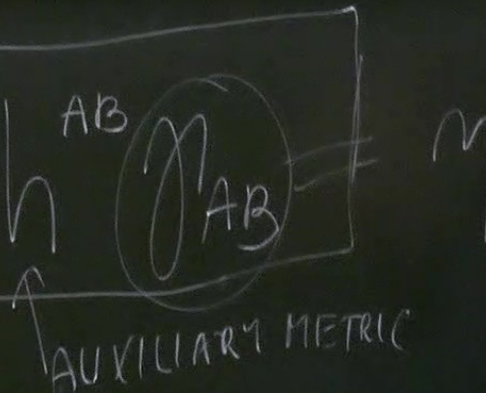
• NICE & QUADRATIC

• CAN NOW TAKE $m_0 \rightarrow 0$ & CAN ABSORB \hbar INTO λ

$$S_{\text{MASSLESS}} = \frac{1}{2} \int \eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{dx^\lambda} \frac{dx^\lambda}{dx^\lambda} dx^\lambda$$

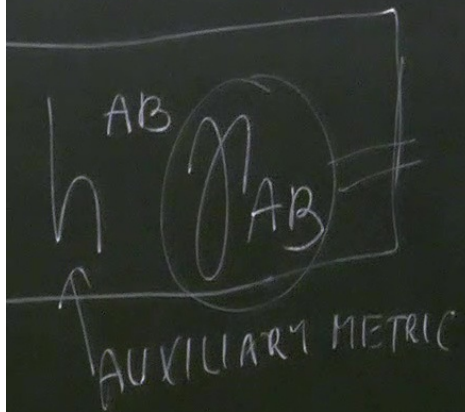
POLYAKOV FOR MASSLESS STRINGS

$$S[x^M, h^{AB}] = -\frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{-h} h^{AB} \partial_A x^M \partial_B x^M$$



COMPARE TO ACTION OF FREE SCALAR IN QD.

$$S[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \int \sqrt{g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi$$



$$\eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial \xi^A} \frac{\partial x^\nu}{\partial \xi^B} = \eta_{\mu\nu} \nabla_A x^\mu \nabla_B x^\nu$$

" BUNCH OF SCALAR FIELDS x^μ
 IN 2D "
 ONE WITH WEIRD SIGN. OF KIN TERM

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LYAKOV FOR MASSLESS STRINGS:

$$[X^M, h^{AB}] = -\frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int d^2\xi \sqrt{-h} h^{AB} \left(\frac{\partial X^M}{\partial \xi^A} \right)$$

AUXILIARY METRIC

COMPARE TO ACTION OF FREE SCALAR IN QD.

$$S[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \int \sqrt{-h} h^{AB} \underbrace{\nabla_A \phi \nabla_B \phi}_{D\phi/Dx}$$

KEYL SYMMETRY

$$h_{AB} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^2 h_{AB}$$

$$h^{AB} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^{-2} h^{AB}$$

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x^\mu + \underline{\xi}^\mu$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \Omega^2 g_{\mu\nu}$$