

# Thermodynamics of black M-branes from SCFTs

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# Thermodynamics of blackholes

## ➤ Analogy of 2<sup>nd</sup> law

- 2<sup>nd</sup> law: **Entropy** in isolated system always increases.
- Area of **horizon** always increases (in classical level).
- Bekenstein-Hawking entropy:  $S = \frac{A}{4G_N}$

## ➤ Analogy of 1<sup>st</sup> law

- 1<sup>st</sup> law:  $dE = TdS$
- **Energy**: mass of blackhole (ADM mass)
- **Temperature**: Hawking temperature  
(It is derived from the spectrum of Hawking radiation.)

# Black branes in supergravity

## ➤ Gravity solution in 10d N=IIA/IIB SUGRA

- Metric (in string frame)  $i = 1, \dots, p$

$$ds^2 = \alpha' \left( \frac{U^{\frac{7-p}{2}}}{\sqrt{a_p \lambda}} (-f dt^2 + dx^i dx^i) + \sqrt{a_p \lambda} \left( U^{-\frac{7-p}{2}} \frac{dU^2}{f} + U^{\frac{p-3}{2}} d\Omega_{(8-p)}^2 \right) \right)$$

$$f(U) = 1 - \left( \frac{U_0}{U} \right)^{7-p}, \quad a_p = 2^{7-2p} \pi^{\frac{9-3p}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{7-p}{2}\right)$$

- Dilaton  $e^\phi = \frac{1}{N} (2\pi)^{2-p} (a_p)^{\frac{3-p}{4}} \left( \frac{U}{\lambda^{1/(3-p)}} \right)^{-\frac{(3-p)(7-p)}{4}}$

- SUGRA description for superstring theory is valid for **small curvature** and **small string coupling**:

$$N^{-\frac{2}{7-p}} \lll (T \lambda^{-\frac{1}{3-p}})^{\frac{3-p}{5-p}} \lll 1$$

# Free energy of black brane

- Black **Dp-branes** in superstring theory

(Radius of horizon)

$$F \sim N^2 T^{\frac{2(7-p)}{5-p}} \lambda^{-\frac{3-p}{5-p}} V_p \quad |\phi| \sim T^{\frac{2}{5-p}} \lambda^{\frac{1}{5-p}}$$

- We can similarly discuss the gravity solutions of IId SUGRA (low-energy limit of M-theory).

$$\beta = 1/T$$

- Black **M2-brane** (on  $\text{AdS}_4 \times S^7/Z_k$ ) [ABJM '08]

$$F \sim N^{\frac{3}{2}} \sqrt{k} T^3 V_2 \quad |\phi| \sim \frac{r_0}{k^{\frac{1}{2}} l_p^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sim \frac{N^{\frac{1}{4}}}{k^{\frac{1}{4}} \beta^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Exotic  
N-dependence!

- Black **M5-brane**

$$F \sim N^{\frac{3}{2}} T^6 V_5 \quad |\phi| \sim \frac{r_0}{l_p^3} \sim \frac{N}{\beta^2}$$

# Can a field theory reproduce it?

- Just as the D1-D5-P system successfully reproduced the Bekenstein-Hawking entropy...
- **Dp-branes** (Nontrivial dependence on  $T$  and  $\lambda$ )
  - $(p+1)$ -dim maximally supersymmetric Yang-Mills
- **M2-branes** (Nontrivial dependence on  $N$ )
  - ABJM theory (3d Chern-Simons-matter theory)
  - Free energy at  $T=0$  is obtained via localization technique.
- **M5-branes** (Nontrivial dependence on  $N$ )
  - 6d SCFT, but the details are not known.

*[Marino '10]*



**Black D-branes:**

**Review of Smilga-Wiseman method**

# Effective theory on Dp-branes

- Maximally supersymmetric Yang-Mills theory

$$S_{Dp} = \frac{N}{\lambda} \int d\tau d^p x \text{Tr} \left[ \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu}^2 + \frac{1}{2} (D_\mu \Phi^I)^2 + \frac{i}{2} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^\mu D_\mu \Psi \right. \\ \left. \lambda = g_{YM}^2 N \quad - \frac{1}{4} [\Phi^I, \Phi^J]^2 - \frac{i}{2} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^I [\Phi^I, \Psi] \right]$$

(Euclidean time with period  $\beta$ )

- **Classical vacua** are gauge equivalent to configurations:

$$A_{\mu,ab} = a_{\mu,a} \delta_{ab}, \quad \Phi_{ab}^I = \phi_a^I \delta_{ab}, \quad \Psi_{ab} = 0$$

- We assume only the **scalar moduli** play relevant roles.
- These moduli correspond to the **positions** of Dp-branes.

# Smilga-Wiseman method (I)

[Wiseman '13]

- We assume the dominant configuration satisfies

$$\beta|\phi_a - \phi_b| \gg 1 \quad |\phi_a - \phi_b| := \sqrt{\sum_I (\phi_a^I - \phi_b^I)^2}$$

- All the Dp-branes are separated by large distances.
- All the **off-diagonal** components have large mass.
- **I-loop effective action** can be calculated as the quadratic fluctuations around classical vacua.
- Contribution from each field (scalar, gauge field, fermion, FP ghost) is of the form

$$\sum_n \sum_{a < b} \text{Tr}' \left[ \ln \left( -\partial^i \partial_i + \left( \frac{2\pi n}{\beta} \right)^2 + |\phi_a - \phi_b|^2 + \dots \right) \right]$$



# Smilga-Wiseman method (2)

## ➤ Classical and 1-loop effective actions

$$S_{Dp}^{\text{classical}} = \frac{N}{\lambda} \int d\tau d^p x \sum_a \left( \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \phi_a^I \partial_\mu \phi_a^I \right)$$

starts from  $(\partial\phi)^4$   
due to SUSY

$$S_{Dp, T=0}^{\text{one-loop}} = - \int d\tau d^p x \sum_{a < b} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{7-p}{2}\right)}{(4\pi)^{\frac{1+p}{2}}} \left( 2 \frac{\{\partial_\mu(\phi_a^I - \phi_b^I) \partial_\nu(\phi_a^I - \phi_b^I)\}^2}{|\phi_a - \phi_b|^{7-p}} - \frac{\{\partial_\mu(\phi_a^I - \phi_b^I) \partial^\mu(\phi_a^I - \phi_b^I)\}^2}{|\phi_a - \phi_b|^{7-p}} \right) + \dots$$

- Condition 1: **Higher derivative** terms are suppressed.

$$|(\partial\phi)^2 / \phi^4| \ll 1$$

- Condition 2: **Temperature dependent** terms are suppressed. (They are proportional to  $\exp(-\beta|\phi_a - \phi_b|)$ .)

$$\beta|\phi_a - \phi_b| \gg 1$$

# Smilga-Wiseman method (3)

- Assumption 1: moduli and their difference

$$\phi_a^I \sim \phi_a^I - \phi_b^I \sim \phi$$

- It means that all the branes are **uniformly distributed**, roughly speaking. (All distances are of the same order.)

- Assumption 2: derivative and temperature

$$\partial\phi_a^I \sim \partial(\phi_a^I - \phi_b^I) \sim \frac{1}{\beta}\phi$$

- The dependence on **temperature** in this discussion is determined only here. The meaning seems unclear.

# Smilga-Wiseman method (4)

- Assumption 3: classical and 1-loop are balanced.

$$S_{Dp}^{\text{classical}} \sim S_{Dp, T=0}^{\text{one-loop}} \sim S_{Dp}$$

- It does not mean the **higher loop contributions** can be neglected.
- According to SUGRA analysis, it may mean that all loop contributions are of the same order.
- It seems reasonable, since we here consider the strong-coupling region in the dual field theory.

# Reproduction of SUGRA results


➤ Estimation  $\int d\tau \sim \beta$ ,  $\sum_a \sim N$  and  $\sum_{a<b} \sim N^2$ .

$$S_{Dp}^{\text{classical}} \sim \int d^p x \frac{N^2}{\beta \lambda} \phi^2, \quad S_{Dp, T=0}^{\text{one-loop}} \sim \int d^p x \frac{N^2}{\beta^3 \phi^{3-p}}$$

➤ Results

$$\phi \sim T^{\frac{2}{5-p}} \lambda^{\frac{1}{5-p}}$$
$$F_{Dp} \sim S_{Dp} / \beta \sim N^2 T^{\frac{2(7-p)}{5-p}} \lambda^{-\frac{3-p}{5-p}} V_p$$

- Wiseman discussed only  $p < 3$  cases, but this discussion can be done for all Dp-brane cases.  $\beta \phi \gg 1$
- It is because the **temperature** condition is equivalent to the **small curvature** condition, interestingly.



# Black M2-brane: ABJM theory

# Effective theory on M2-branes

➤ ABJM theory (dual to M-theory on  $\text{AdS}_4 \times S^7/\mathbb{Z}_k$ )

$$S_{\text{ABJM}} = \frac{k}{2\pi} \int d\tau d^2x \left( \text{Tr} \left[ (D_\mu \Phi_A^\dagger)(D^\mu \Phi^A) + i\Psi^{\dagger A} \gamma^\mu D_\mu \Psi_A \right] + \mathcal{L}_{\text{CS}}^{(1)} - \mathcal{L}_{\text{CS}}^{(2)} - V_B - V_F \right),$$

where

$$A, B, C, D = 1, \dots, 4$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{CS}}^{(i)} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} \text{Tr} \left[ A_\mu^{(i)} \partial_\nu A_\rho^{(i)} + \frac{2}{3} A_\mu^{(i)} A_\nu^{(i)} A_\rho^{(i)} \right],$$

$$V_B = \frac{1}{3} \text{Tr} \left[ \Phi_A^\dagger \Phi^A \Phi_B^\dagger \Phi^B \Phi_C^\dagger \Phi^C + \Phi^A \Phi_A^\dagger \Phi^B \Phi_B^\dagger \Phi^C \Phi_C^\dagger + 4\Phi^A \Phi_B^\dagger \Phi^C \Phi_A^\dagger \Phi^B \Phi_C^\dagger - 6\Phi^A \Phi_B^\dagger \Phi^B \Phi_A^\dagger \Phi^C \Phi_C^\dagger \right],$$

$$V_F = i \text{Tr} \left[ \Phi_A^\dagger \Phi^A \Psi^{\dagger B} \Psi_B - \Phi^A \Phi_A^\dagger \Psi_B \Psi^{\dagger B} - 2\Phi_A^\dagger \Phi^B \Psi^{\dagger A} \Psi_B + 2\Phi^A \Phi_B^\dagger \Psi_A \Psi^{\dagger B} - \epsilon^{ABCD} \Phi_A^\dagger \Psi_B \Phi_C^\dagger \Psi_D + \epsilon_{ABCD} \Phi^A \Psi^{\dagger B} \Phi^C \Psi^{\dagger D} \right],$$

# Effective action

➤ **Classical moduli:**  $\Phi_{ab}^A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi_a^A + i\phi_a^{A+4})\delta_{ab}, \quad \Psi_{ab} = 0$

➤ **Dominant configuration:**  $\beta|\phi_a - \phi_b|^2 \gg 1$

(The exponent is changed, since mass dims of scalars are changed.)

➤ **Classical action**

$$S_{\text{ABJM}}^{\text{classical}} = \frac{k}{2\pi} \int d\tau d^2x \sum_a \left( \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \phi_a^I \partial_\mu \phi_a^I \right)$$

➤ **1-loop effective action at T=0**

starts from  $(\partial\phi)^4$

$$S_{\text{ABJM}, T=0}^{\text{one-loop}} \sim - \int d\tau d^2x \sum_{a < b} \left( \frac{\{\partial(\phi_a - \phi_b)\partial(\phi_a - \phi_b)\}^2}{|\phi_a - \phi_b|^6} \right) + \dots$$

[Baek, Hyun, Jang, Yi '08]

# Reproduction of SUGRA results

- **Conditions:** They are almost the same, but changed.  
(since, again, the scalars have different mass dims.) e.g.  $\beta\phi^2 \gg 1$
- **Assumptions:** They remain the same.
- **Estimation:**  $S_{\text{ABJM}}^{\text{classical}} \sim S_{\text{ABJM},T=0}^{\text{one-loop}} \sim S_{\text{ABJM}}$

$$S_{\text{ABJM}}^{\text{classical}} \sim \int d^2x \frac{kN}{\beta} \phi^2, \quad S_{\text{ABJM},T=0}^{\text{one-loop}} \sim \int d^2x \frac{N^2}{\beta^3 \phi^2}$$

- **Results**

$$F_{\text{ABJM}} \sim S_{\text{ABJM}}/\beta \sim N^{\frac{3}{2}} \sqrt{k} T^3 V_2 \quad \phi \sim \frac{N^{\frac{1}{4}}}{k^{\frac{1}{4}} \beta^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$





**Black M5-brane:**

**6d SCFT with some assumptions**

# Effective theory on M5-branes

## ➤ 6d N=(2,0) SCFT

- The details have been not known yet.

## ➤ Assumptions (to apply Smilga-Wiseman method)

- Kinetic term of **scalar fields** is  $\sim \partial\Phi_{ab}^I \partial\Phi_{ba}^I$

The NxN matrices representing the collective motion of M5-branes in the transverse directions.

(There is no evidence to deny the scalars with matrix rep.)

- Classical vacua have **scalar moduli**  $\phi_a^I$

The diagonal components of matrices of scalar fields.

This breaks the original gauge symmetry into  $U(1)^N$ .

# Effective theory on M5-branes

- Besides, **1-loop effective potential** for the scalar moduli should start from  $(\partial\phi)^4$  for a small  $\partial\phi$  and a long distance  $|\phi_a - \phi_b|$ .
- ✓ It seems a natural assumption: due to supersymmetry, the quadratic terms should not receive quantum corrections.
- ✓ The contribution of each field in 1-loop effective action comes from quadratic fluctuation and should be of the form

$$\sum_n \sum_{a < b} \text{Tr}' \left[ \ln \left( -\partial^i \partial_i + \left( \frac{2\pi n}{\beta} \right)^2 + |\phi_a - \phi_b|^4 + \dots \right) \right]$$

Does it mean the three-scalar interactions on M5-branes...?

# Effective action

➤ Dominant configuration:  $\beta \sqrt{|\phi_a - \phi_b|} \gg 1$

➤ Classical action

$$S_{M5}^{\text{classical}} \sim \int d\tau d^5x \sum_a \left( \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \phi_a^I \partial_\mu \phi_a^I \right)$$

➤ 1-loop effective action at  $T=0$

$$S_{M5, T=0}^{\text{one-loop}} \sim - \int d\tau d^5x \sum_{a < b} \left( \frac{\{\partial(\phi_a - \phi_b)\}^2}{|\phi_a - \phi_b|^3} \right) + \dots$$

- Again, it starts from  $(\partial\phi)^4$  terms due to supersymmetry.
- The exponent in the denominator can be determined by dimensional analysis.

# Reproduction of SUGRA results

## ➤ Conditions and assumptions

- We impose them in a similar manner. e.g.  $\beta\sqrt{\phi} \gg 1$

## ➤ Estimation: $S_{M5}^{\text{classical}} \sim S_{M5,T=0}^{\text{one-loop}}$

$$S_{M5}^{\text{classical}} \sim \int d^5x \frac{N}{\beta} \phi^2, \quad S_{M5,T=0}^{\text{one-loop}} \sim \int d^5x \frac{N^2 \phi}{\beta^3}$$

## ➤ Results

$$F_{M5} \sim S_{M5}/\beta \sim N^{\textcircled{3}} T^6 V_5 \quad \phi \sim \frac{N}{\beta^2}$$



# Conclusion and discussions

- All the results agree with SUGRA predictions through AdS/CFT correspondence.
- Nontrivial dependences on  $T$  and  $\lambda$  for D-branes and on  $N$  for M-branes are perfectly reproduced.
- Then we can believe **Smilga-Wiseman method** captures the dynamics of branes.
- The **assumptions** in this method should be justified in the future works. Especially...
  - Relation of temperature and derivative:  $\partial\phi \sim T\phi$
  - Higher loop contributions
  - Interaction terms in M5-brane theory

# Comments on $O(N^2)$ d.o.f.s

- In D-brane theory, the free energy should be  $O(N^2)$  both at weak and strong couplings.
  - According to Smilga-Wiseman method, the dynamics of  $N$  **classical moduli** dominates at strong coupling region.
  - The 't Hooft limit seems to ensure  $O(N^2)$  free energy.
- In M-brane theory, 't Hooft limit cannot be taken.
  - Smilga-Wiseman method can be applied to M-brane systems, and reproduce the exotic  $N$ -dependences.
  - This may mean that **M-theory dynamics is not special**, but the 't Hooft limit in superstrings is special.