

Geometries of D1-D5-P states

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Introduction: the D1-D5-P system

- Paradigmatic example of BPS black hole in string theory (Strominger, Vafa)

Type II B

$$\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^4 \times S^1 \times T^4$$

$$t \quad x^i \quad y \quad z^a$$

$$D1 : \quad - \quad \circ \quad - \quad \circ$$

$$D5 : \quad - \quad \circ \quad - \quad -$$

$$P : \quad - \quad \circ \quad - \quad \circ$$

The “naive” D1-D5-P geometry

$$ds^2 = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{Z_1 Z_2}} dv \left(du + \frac{\mathcal{F}}{2} dv \right) + \sqrt{Z_1 Z_2} ds_4^2 + \sqrt{\frac{Z_1}{Z_2}} ds_{T^4}^2$$

$$v = \frac{t+y}{\sqrt{2}} \quad , \quad u = \frac{t-y}{\sqrt{2}} \quad , \quad ds_4^2 = dx^i dx^i$$

$$Z_i = 1 + \frac{Q_i}{r^2} \quad , \quad \mathcal{F} = -\frac{Q_p}{r^2}$$

Q_1 : D1 charge , Q_2 : D5 charge , Q_p : P charge

- The geometry has an “extremal” **horizon** of finite area at $r = 0$.
- The geometry only depends on the charges: “**no-hair theorem**”.

The near-horizon decoupling limit

In the limit

$$r^2, Q_p \ll Q_1, Q_2 \Rightarrow Z_i \rightarrow Z_i - 1$$

one obtains a geometry that is $\text{AdS}_3 \times S^3 \times T^4$ asymptotically
($r^2 \gg Q_p$)

$$ds^2 \approx -\frac{r^2}{\sqrt{Q_1 Q_2}} 2 du dv + \frac{\sqrt{Q_1 Q_2}}{r^2} dr^2 + \sqrt{Q_1 Q_2} d\Omega_3^2 + \sqrt{\frac{Q_1}{Q_2}} ds_{T^4}^2$$

This limit is described by a CFT:

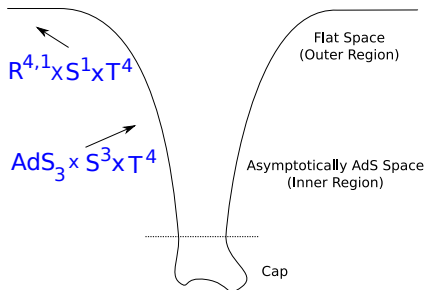
(4,4) sigma model with target space (a deformation of) $(T^4)^{n_1 n_5} / S_{n_1 n_5}$



D1-D5 CFT

Microstate geometries

- There exist solutions of supergravity that reduce to the “naive” D1-D5-P geometry for large r up to $O\left(\frac{1}{r^2}\right)$ (and hence carry the same charges as the D1-D5-P black hole) but are completely smooth and have no horizon.
- In the near-horizon limit these geometries are dual to states of the D1-D5 CFT.



Conjecture: these geometries account for (a finite fraction of) the entropy of the D1-D5-P black hole.

(Mathur, Bena, Warner, . . .)

Our goal

- To develop systematic methods to construct geometries that
 - carry $D1, D5, P$ charges and preserve 4 supersymmetries;
 - are dual to states of the D1-D5 CFT.

Note: for geometries carrying only two charges (egs. D1-D5) this problem has been solved in full generality.

(Lunin, Mathur; Kanitscheider, Skenderis, Taylor)

- We will follow the steps:
 - find the general supergravity ansatz that preserves the same susy as D1-D5-P;
 - select solutions dual to known states of the D1-D5 CFT: apply symmetries of the CFT to known microstates.

General D1-D5-P ansatz I

We apply methods of Generalized Geometry in 10D (Tomasiello)

- $\exists \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2$ Majorana-Weyl Killing spinors;
- the spinor bilinear $K \equiv -\frac{1}{2}(\bar{\epsilon}_1 \Gamma^M \epsilon_1 + \bar{\epsilon}_2 \Gamma^M \epsilon_2) \partial_M$ is a Killing vector;
- we restrict to the case K is null $\Rightarrow K = \frac{\partial}{\partial u}$;
- other spinor bilinears

$$(i) \quad \chi \equiv -\frac{1}{2}(\bar{\epsilon}_1 \Gamma^M \epsilon_1 - \bar{\epsilon}_2 \Gamma^M \epsilon_2) dx^M \quad 1\text{-form}$$

$$(ii) \quad \Psi \equiv -32 \epsilon_1 \otimes \bar{\epsilon}_2 \Gamma_{(10)} \quad \text{polyform}$$

satisfy

$$d\chi = i_K H \quad , \quad (d - H) \wedge (e^{-\phi} \Psi) = i_K F + \chi \wedge F$$

$(H, F$ NSNS and RR field strengths);

General D1-D5-P ansatz II

- the missing susy equations come from the v -component of the gravitino variation \Rightarrow extra constraints;
- the previous equations plus the Bianchi identities for H and F imply all the equations of motion apart from the vv -component of Einstein equations $\Rightarrow R_{vv} + \dots = 0$;
- split the metric as $10 \rightarrow \overset{(u,v)}{2} + \overset{x^i}{4} + \overset{z^a}{4}$ and restrict (for simplicity) to geometries that are homogeneous and isotropic with respect to $T^4 \Rightarrow$ non-trivial dependence on (v, x^i) ;
- impose that the susy preserved is of D1-D5 type:

$$\Gamma_{D_1} \epsilon_2 = \epsilon_1 \quad , \quad \Gamma_{D_5} \epsilon_2 = \epsilon_1$$

General D1-D5-P ansatz III

- the various conditions constrain the metric to be of the form

$$ds^2 = -\frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{Z_1 Z_2}}(dv + \beta) \left[du + \omega + \frac{\mathcal{F}}{2}(dv + \beta) \right] + \sqrt{Z_1 Z_2} ds_4^2 + \sqrt{\frac{Z_1}{Z_2}} ds_{T^4}^2$$

$$\text{with } \alpha = \frac{Z_1 Z_2}{Z_1 Z_2 - Z_4^2}$$

$$e^{2\phi} = \dots, \quad B = \dots, \quad F = \dots$$

- all fields of type IIB sugra can be excited;

General D1-D5-P ansatz IV

$$ds^2 = -\frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{Z_1 Z_2}}(dv + \beta) \left[du + \omega + \frac{\mathcal{F}}{2}(dv + \beta) \right] + \sqrt{Z_1 Z_2} ds_4^2 + \sqrt{\frac{Z_1}{Z_2}} ds_{T^4}^2$$

- the sugra equations can be organized in such a way that the problem reduces to an **almost linear** one
(Bena, SG, Shigemori, Warner)
- the **non-linear** part involves ds_4^2 , β :
 - ds_4^2 admits an **almost hyperkähler** structure
$$J_A \wedge J_B = -2 \delta_{AB} \text{vol}_4 \quad , \quad J_A = - * _4 J_A \quad , \quad dJ_A = \partial_V(\beta \wedge J_A)$$
 - $D\beta = *_4 D\beta$ with $D \equiv d - \beta \wedge \partial_V$;
- the equations for Z_1 , Z_2 , Z_4 , ω , \mathcal{F} ... are linear (but **inhomogeneous**), if solved in the right order.

v -dependence

- The sugra equations simplify for v -independent geometries:
 - ds_4^2 is hyperkähler;
 - $d\beta = *_4 d\beta$.
- On general grounds, geometries are expected to be v -independent if they are dual to eigenstates of momentum.
- Typically classical geometries are dual to coherent states (egs. $e^{\alpha a_{-n}}|\psi_0\rangle$ with a_{-n} carrying momentum n)

 \Rightarrow generic 3-charge microstates are v -dependent.

D1-D5 geometries (Lunin, Mathur; Kanitscheider, Skenderis, Taylor)

- D1-D5 microstates are v -independent.
- They have a flat 4D base: $ds_4^2 = dx^i dx^i$.
- The (T^4 -isometric) geometries are encoded in a profile in \mathbb{R}^5 ($F^i(v'), \mathcal{F}(v')$):

$$\beta = \frac{-A + B}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad A = -\frac{Q_2}{L} \int_0^L \frac{dv' \dot{F}^i}{|x - F|^2} dx^i, \quad dB = - *_4 dA$$

$$Z_2 = 1 + \frac{Q_2}{L} \int_0^L \frac{dv'}{|x - F|^2}, \quad Z_1 = 1 + \frac{Q_2}{L} \int_0^L \frac{dv' |\dot{F}|^2}{|x - F|^2}$$

$$Z_4 = -\frac{Q_2}{L} \int_0^L \frac{dv' \dot{\mathcal{F}}}{|x - F|^2}, \quad \omega = -\frac{A + B}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- $\beta \neq 0$: KK-monopole dipole charge from binding D1 and D5.

Adding momentum to D1-D5 I

- Start from a **D1-D5 geometry** and take its **near-horizon limit**:

$$Z_1 \rightarrow Z_1 - 1, \quad Z_2 \rightarrow Z_2 - 1 \Rightarrow \text{asymptotically AdS geometry}$$

- Act with an operator of the **CFT chiral algebra** that preserves susy and adds momentum:
 - L_{-n} : Virasoro;
 - J_{-n}^α : $SU(2)_L$ R-symmetry;
 - $J_{-n}^{Z^a}$: $U(1)^4$ T^4 translations.

On the gravity side this is equivalent to performing a **change of coordinates** that does not vanish at the boundary of AdS.

At the perturbative level, this method was applied by **Mathur, Saxena, Srivastava; Mathur, Turton; Shigemori**.

Adding momentum to D1-D5 II

- Rewrite metric and gauge fields in the form of the general ansatz and read-off $ds_4^2, \beta, Z_I, \omega, \mathcal{F}$.

One generates a **v-dependent** solution of the sugra equations that is asymptotically $AdS_3 \times S^3 \times T^4$.

- Extend the metric back to the **asymptotically flat region**, where the metric reduces to $\mathbb{R}^{4,1} \times S^1 \times T^4$.

Note: the replacement $Z_1 \rightarrow Z_1 + 1, Z_2 \rightarrow Z_2 + 1$, leaving the remaining metric functions unchanged, does not produce a solution of the sugra constraints.

This is a non-trivial problem that can be solved exactly in some cases.

Case 1: v -independent ds_4^2

- Assume that ds_4^2 , β do not depend on v after the change of coordinates.
- Assume also that ds_4^2 , β have a **tri-holomorphic isometry** $\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \Rightarrow$

$$ds_4^2 = V^{-1}(d\tau + A)^2 + V ds_3^2 \quad , \quad *_3 dA = dV$$

$$\beta = \frac{K_3}{V}(d\tau + A) + \xi \quad , \quad *_3 d\xi = -dK_3$$

Egs: $ds_4^2 = \text{flat } \mathbb{R}^4 \Rightarrow \tau = \phi + \psi, V = \frac{1}{r}$

- The remaining metric coefficients **may depend on v and τ** .

Case 1: v -independent ds_4^2 - An example

- Start from the D1-D5 geometry associated with the profile

$$F^1 + iF^2 = a e^{\frac{2\pi i v'}{L}}, \quad F^3 = F^4 = 0, \quad \mathcal{F} = -b \sin\left(\frac{2\pi v'}{L}\right)$$

The geometry depends on the angle of the $(1, 2)$ plane but β does not.

- Apply the operator $e^{\chi(J_{-1}^+ - J_1^-)} = e^{\Sigma} e^{\chi(J_0^+ - J_0^-)} e^{-\Sigma}$

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + \frac{t}{R}, \quad \psi \rightarrow \psi + \frac{y}{R} \leftarrow \text{spectral flow rotation in } \mathbb{R}^4$$

Note: when $b = 0$ the action of this operator is trivial.

- One can see that ds_4^2 and β are left invariant, while the other metric coefficients transform non-trivially under this operator.

Case 1: v -independent ds_4^2 - The solution I

- Niehoff, Warner found a general way to solve the sugra constraints in Case 1:

(almost) all metric coefficients can be expressed algebraically in terms of harmonic functions for the covariant Laplacian $*_4D*_4D$.

Egs: $Z_1 = L_1 + \frac{K_2 K_3}{V}$, $Z_2 = L_2 + \frac{K_1 K_3}{V}$ with

$$\partial_\tau K_{2,1} + \partial_v L_{1,2} = 0 \quad , \quad *_4D*_4DK_{1,2} = *_4D*_4DL_{1,2} = 0$$

To find ω one has to solve a system of partial differential equations.

Case 1: v -independent ds_4^2 - The solution II

- To construct an asymptotically flat 3-charge geometry one starts from the geometric data generated by the chiral algebra transformation, extracts the corresponding harmonic functions, and replaces

$$L_1 \rightarrow 1 + L_1 \quad , \quad L_2 \rightarrow 1 + L_2$$

The coefficients of other harmonic functions have to be modified to preserve **regularity** and absence of Dirac-Misner strings.

- There is a **unique** asymptotically flat solution that solves all the regularity constraints and matches the near-horizon solution.
- The **asymptotic charges** of the solution match the values expected from the **CFT** (more on this in Rodolfo's talk).

Case 2: v -dependent ds_4^2

- After the change of coordinates ds_4^2 and β are v -dependent.
- An example:

- Start from the 2-charge metric (in the near-horizon limit) with

$$F^1 + iF^2 = a e^{\frac{2\pi i v'}{L}}, \quad F^3 = F^4 = \mathcal{F} = 0;$$

- Apply the transformation $e^{\epsilon(J_{-n}^{\beta} - J_n^{\beta})}$ which is equivalent to

$$(*) \quad \psi \rightarrow \psi - \epsilon \sin\left(\frac{n\sqrt{2}v}{R}\right), \quad \phi \rightarrow \phi - \epsilon \sin\left(\frac{n\sqrt{2}v}{R}\right) \Leftrightarrow x^i \rightarrow x^i - f^i(v)$$

- The coordinate transformation generates the 3-charge near-horizon geometry; ds_4^2, β depend on v .
- The Niehoff, Warner method does not apply directly: how to construct the asymptotically flat solution?
- Note: the transformation (*) cannot be applied to the asymptotically flat solution because it screws up the asymptotic structure.

Case 2: v -dependent ds_4^2 - The solution

- Strategy: apply the **Niehoff, Warner** method **before** the change of coordinates (when ds_4^2 and β are v -independent) to generate a new **non-explicitly asymptotically flat** solution that becomes explicitly asymptotically flat **after** the transformation (*).
- The new solution needs to have the following **asymptotic limit**

$$Z_{1,2} \rightarrow 1 \quad , \quad \omega \rightarrow -\dot{f}_i(v) dx^i \quad , \quad \mathcal{F} \rightarrow -|\dot{f}(v)|^2$$

Note: these boundary conditions force all metric coefficients (apart from ds_4^2, β) to be **v -dependent**.

- Result: there is a **unique** solution with the correct asymptotic behavior that is **regular**.

Case 2: relation with "Vachaspati transform"

- The solution generating technique we employ to add momentum to D1-D5 geometries is analogous to the one used by Dabholkar et al. and Callan at al. to construct D1-P geometries:
 - start from the "naive" D1 solution;
 - turn on $\omega = -\dot{f}_i(v)dx^i$, $\mathcal{F} = -|\dot{f}(v)|^2$;
 - perform the coordinate shift $x^i \rightarrow x^i - f^i(v)$.

- One important technical difference: the D1 solution has

$$\beta = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \text{ is hypersurface orthogonal}$$

\Rightarrow constant ω and \mathcal{F} solve the equations of motion.

- Moreover, for D1-P solutions all equations are linear and homogeneous \Rightarrow one can superpose solutions

Multiply-wound profiles

- One can also consider profiles that are **multiply-wound** along S^1 :

$$f^i\left(v + 2\pi w \frac{R}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = f^i(v), \quad w > 1$$

- This is crucial to obtain the full D1-P entropy.
- The shift $x^i \rightarrow x^i - f^i(v)$ is not defined globally on spacetime.
- An equivalent description: $f^i(v) \rightarrow f^i_\alpha(v)$, $\alpha = 1, \dots, w$ with

$$f^i_\alpha\left(v + 2\pi \frac{R}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = f^i_{\alpha+1}(v)$$

- For D1-P: use **linearity** to superpose solutions for different α .
- For D1-D5-P: the problem is **non-linear**.
How to construct geometries for multiply-wound profiles?

Summary

- We have determined the general class of **susy** solutions carrying **D1,D5,P** charges.
- Within this class, we have constructed geometries **dual to BPS states of the D1-D5 CFT** with momentum.
- The class of microstates we can construct is very particular: **chiral algebra descendants** of RR ground states.
- It is non-trivial that a **unique, regular and asymptotically flat** solution exists with the quantum numbers predicted by the CFT.

Outlook

- Main open problems:
 - can one extend the construction of microstate geometries to **more generic** states?
Note: constructing geometries corresponding to **multi-wound profiles** would be a big step in this direction;
 - can microstate geometries account for a **finite fraction of the 3-charge entropy**?
- Extract more informations from the geometries we have:
 - compute holographically **1-point functions of chiral operators** in the 3-charge microstates and compare with the CFT;
(Kanitscheider, Skenderis, Taylor)
 - compute holographically the **entanglement entropy** in the microstate geometries.
(Ryu, Takayanagi)

Entanglement entropy in black hole microstates

- Most computations of entanglement entropy are done in the vacuum or the thermal state $\Rightarrow \text{AdS}_3 \times S^3 \times T^4$.
- T^4 -isotropic microstates can be easily reduced on T^4
 $\Rightarrow ds_6^2$ 6D Einstein metric.
- In the near-horizon limit ds_6^2 is asymptotically $\text{AdS}_3 \times S^3$ but depends non-trivially on S^3 .
- The **Ryu, Takayanagi** holographic recipe for computing entanglement entropy applies to asymptotically AdS_3 spaces.
- A small generalization: consider a 1D domain A and a geodesic (with respect to ds_6^2) 4-manifold $\Gamma_A = \gamma_A \times S^3$, where γ_A is a curve at $t = \text{const.}$ such that $\partial\gamma_A = \partial A$; the entanglement entropy is

$$S_A = \frac{\text{Area}(\Gamma_A)}{4G_6}$$

- Can one compare with the D1-D5 CFT prediction?
(work in progress with R. Russo)