

Tearing Down Spacetime with Quantum Disentanglement

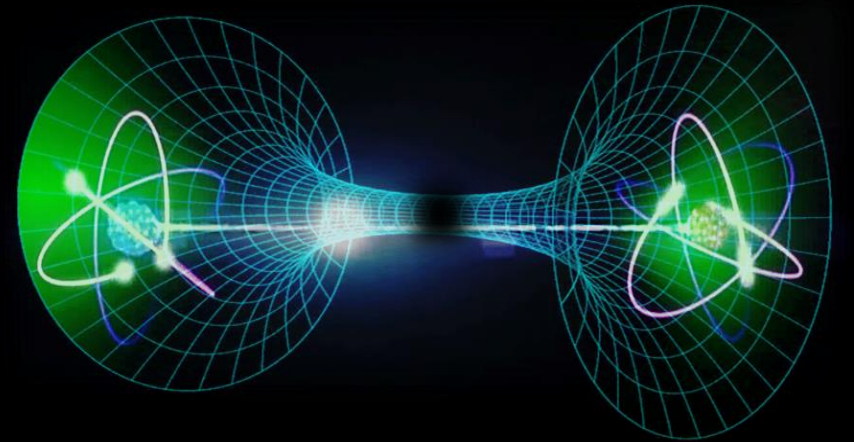
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Entanglement: the quintessential quantum property

Spacetime: the quintessential classical entity

Holography connects them

Quantum entanglement is classicalized as geometry

Ryu+Takayanagi

Classical spacetime built up from quantum entanglement

Quantum disentangling should disassemble holographic spacetime

But apparently it does not

Disentangled state retains large holographic entanglement entropy

Spacetime from Entanglement

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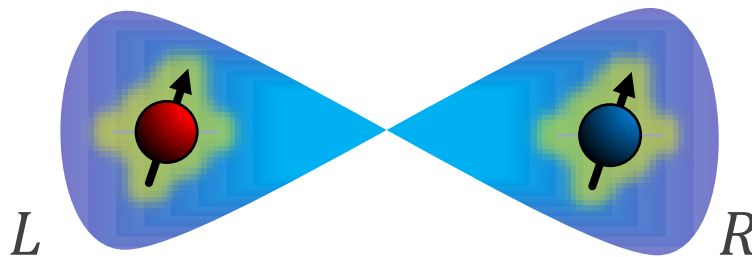
EPR pair

$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle_L |0\rangle_R + |1\rangle_L |1\rangle_R)$$

EPR, Bell

Maximally entangled

Correlation,
no communication



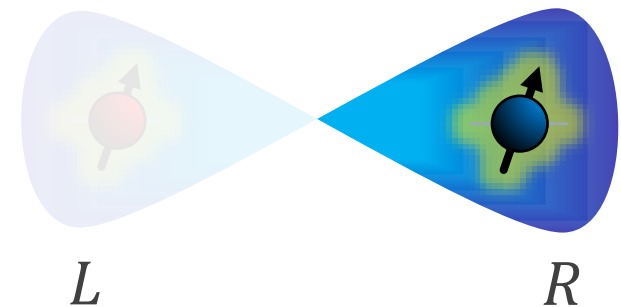
entangled up in blue

Entanglement entropy

Trace over (ie ignore) Left

$$\rho_R = \text{Tr}_L |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$$

$$S_{\text{vonNeumann}} = -\text{Tr} \rho_R \log \rho_R = \log 2$$



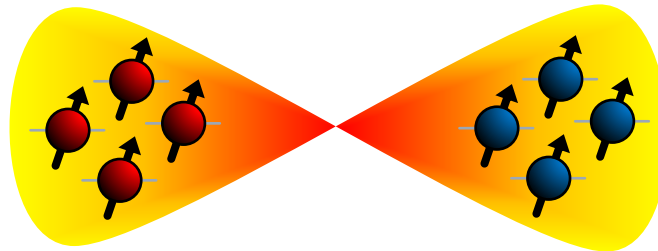
Many EPR pairs

ThermoField Double

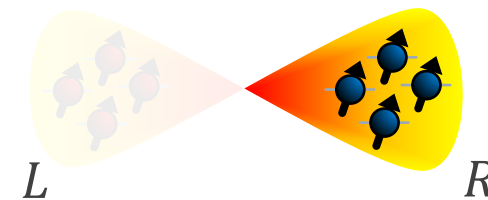
$$|\text{TFD}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z}} \sum_i e^{-E_i/2T} |i\rangle_L |i\rangle_R$$

T : entangling temperature

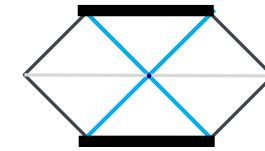
Fully entangled



Entanglement entropy = Thermal entropy of R

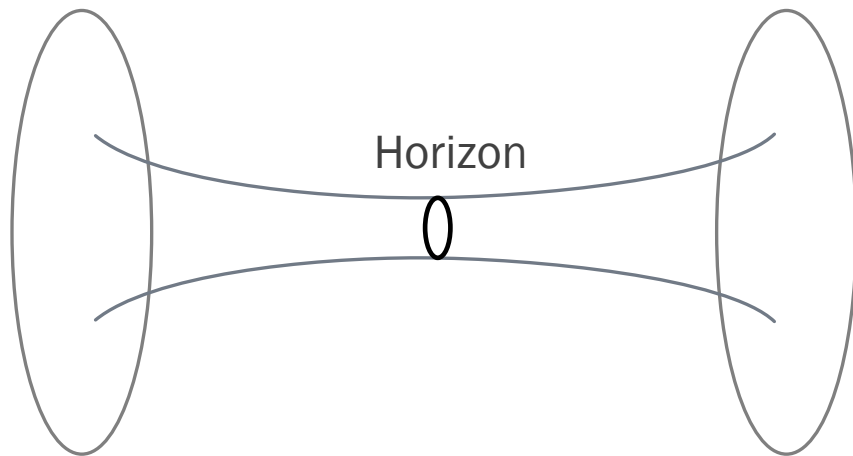


Black Hole ER Bridge

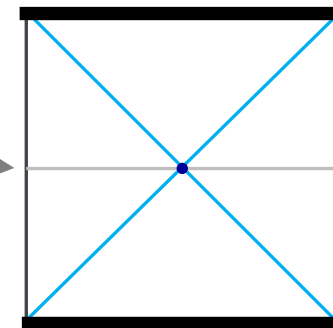


Einstein-Rosen (ER) bridge

Connection,
no communication

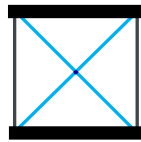


$t = 0$



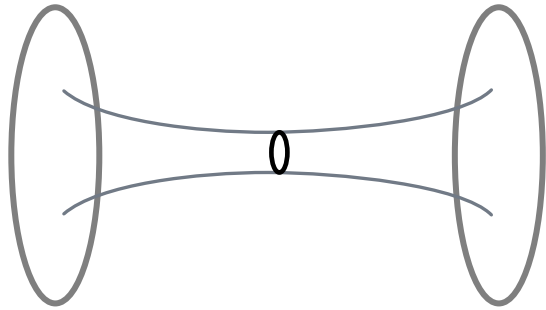
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Black Hole Bridge \Leftrightarrow ThermoField Double

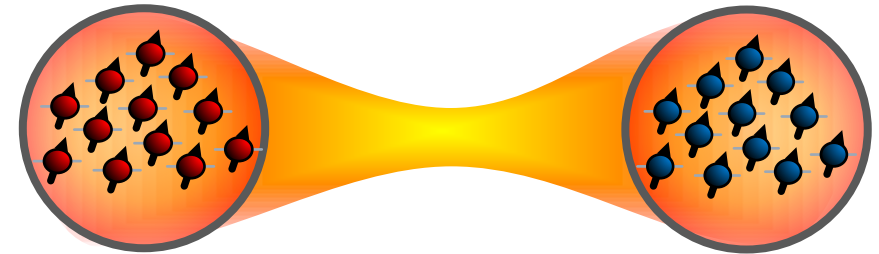


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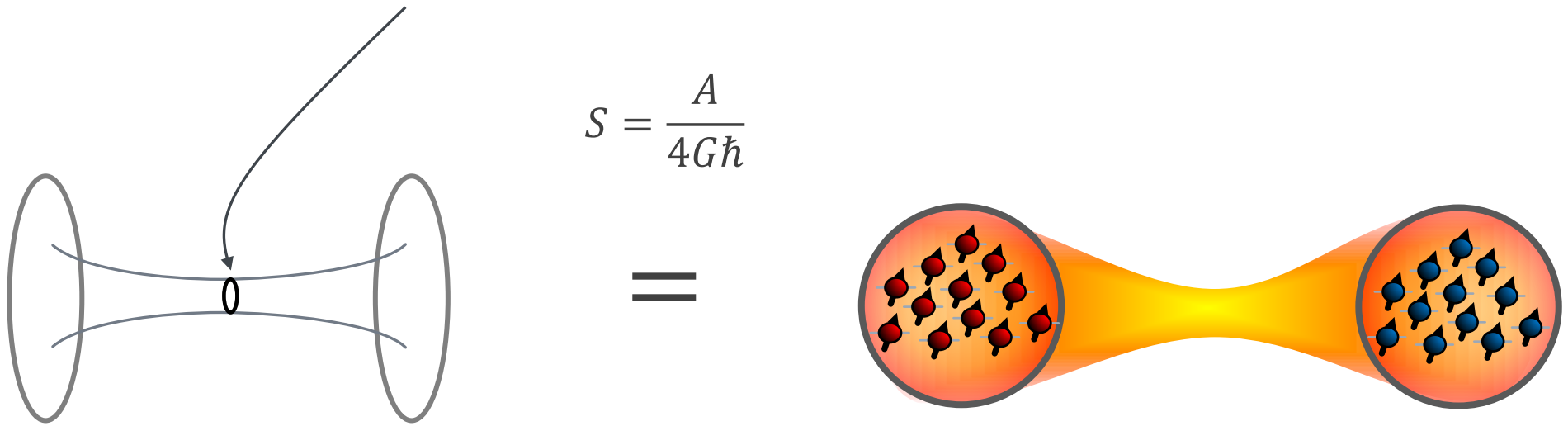
ER=EPR

Correlation but no communication

Maldacena+Susskind

Bridge is geometrization of huge entanglement

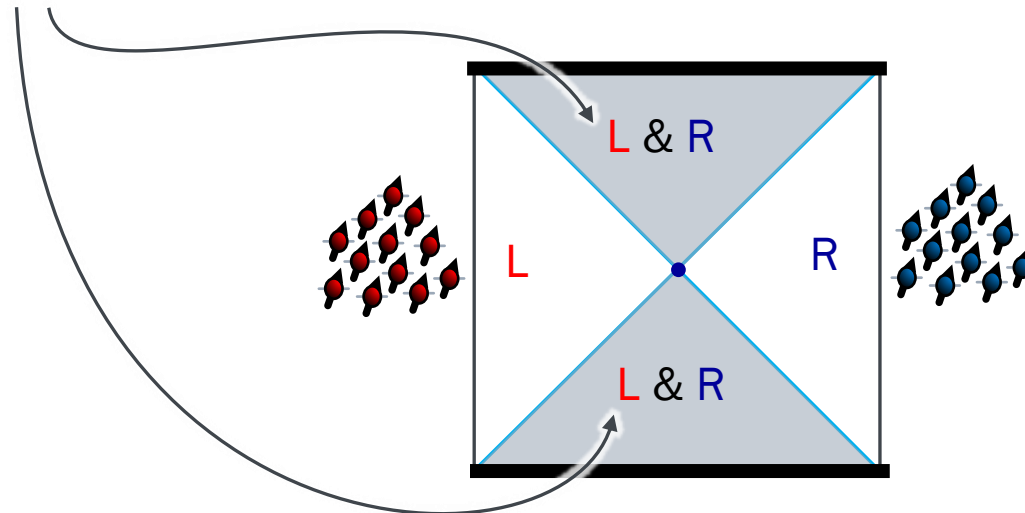
Area = Entanglement entropy



Building up Spacetime

- Fundamental degrees of freedom are quantum & non-geometric
- Localized at the asymptotic boundary

Spacetime born out of entanglement



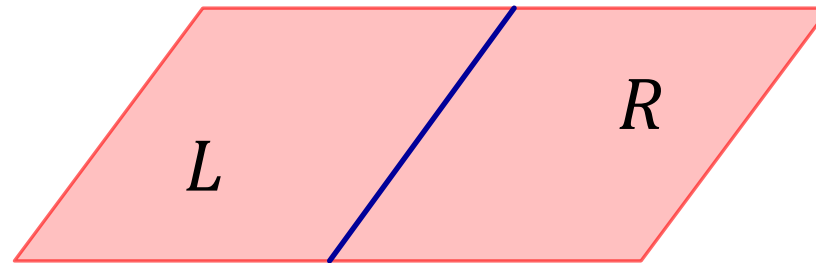
Puzzle

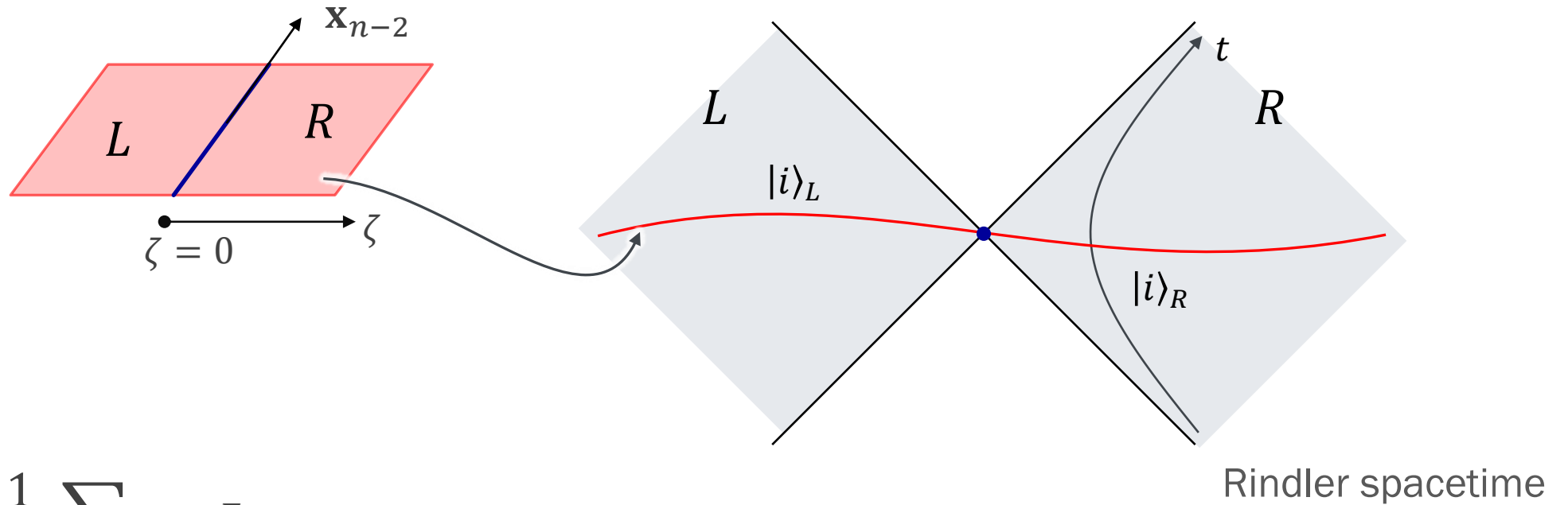
Entangled vacuum

QFT vacuum is fully entangled

$$|0\rangle_M = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z}} \sum_i e^{-\pi E_i} |i\rangle_L |i\rangle_R$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_L \otimes \mathcal{H}_R$$

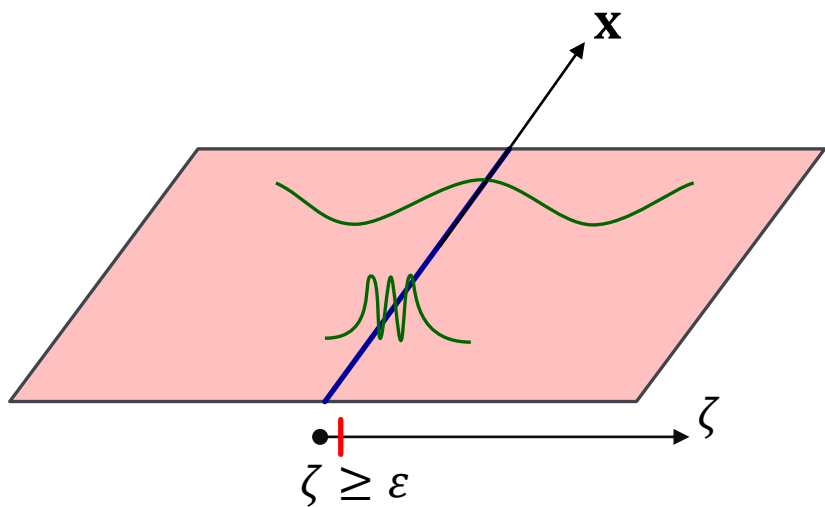




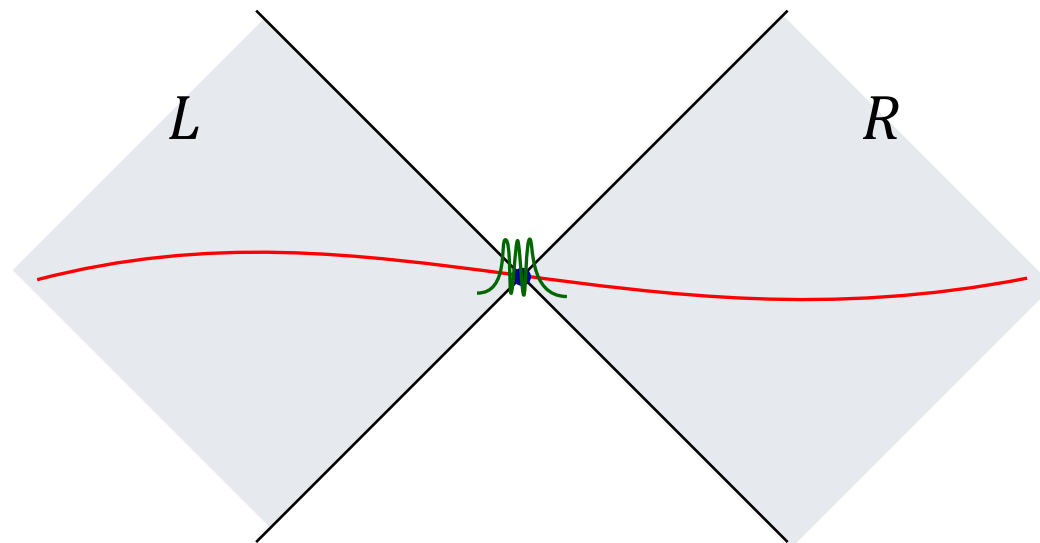
$$|0\rangle_M = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z}} \sum_i e^{-\pi E_i} |i\rangle_L |i\rangle_R \quad \text{Thermofield double state}$$

$$T = \beta^{-1} = \frac{1}{2\pi} : \text{entanglement (modular) temperature of vacuum}$$

Unruh 1976



Entanglement entropy diverges



$$S = \frac{A_{\mathbf{x}}}{\epsilon^{n-2}} s$$

cutoff-dependent but non-zero

Sorkin et al 1986
Srednicki 1993

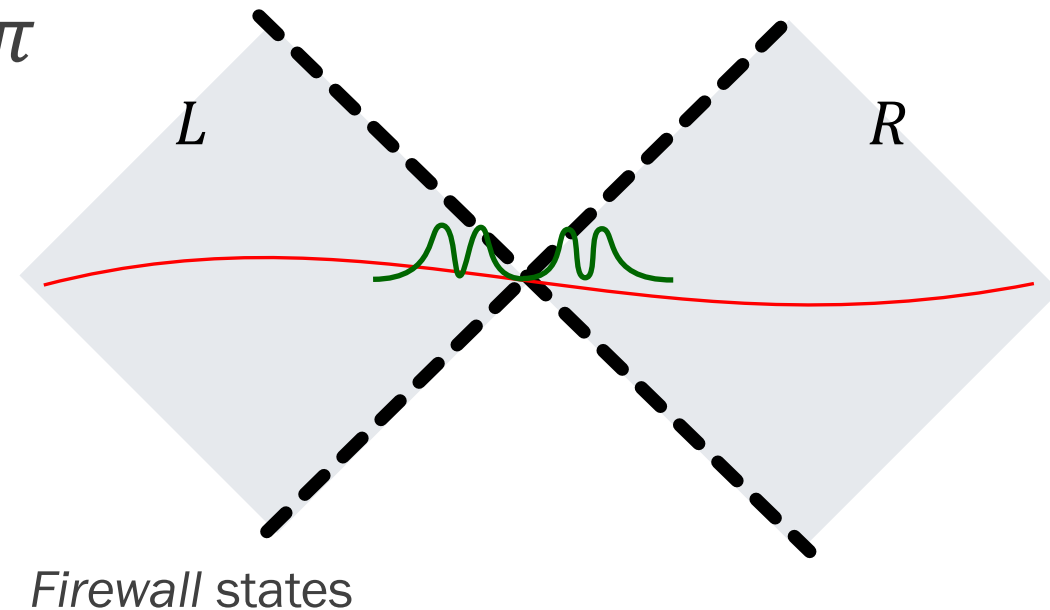
Disentangling the wedges

Boulware states

$$|\Psi_\beta\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z}} \sum_i e^{-\beta E_i/2} |i\rangle_L |i\rangle_R$$

$$\beta > 2\pi$$

$S(\beta) < S(2\pi)$: disentanglement



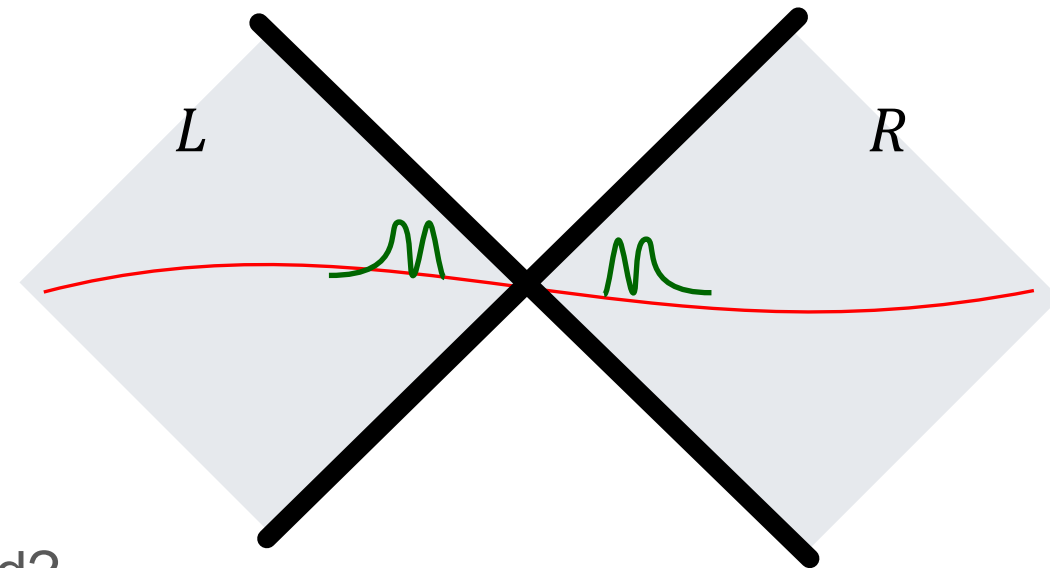
The puzzle

Boulware vacuum $\beta \rightarrow \infty$

$|\Psi_{\beta \rightarrow \infty}\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle_L |0\rangle_R$ unentangled

but holographic calculation
of CFT in Rindler gives

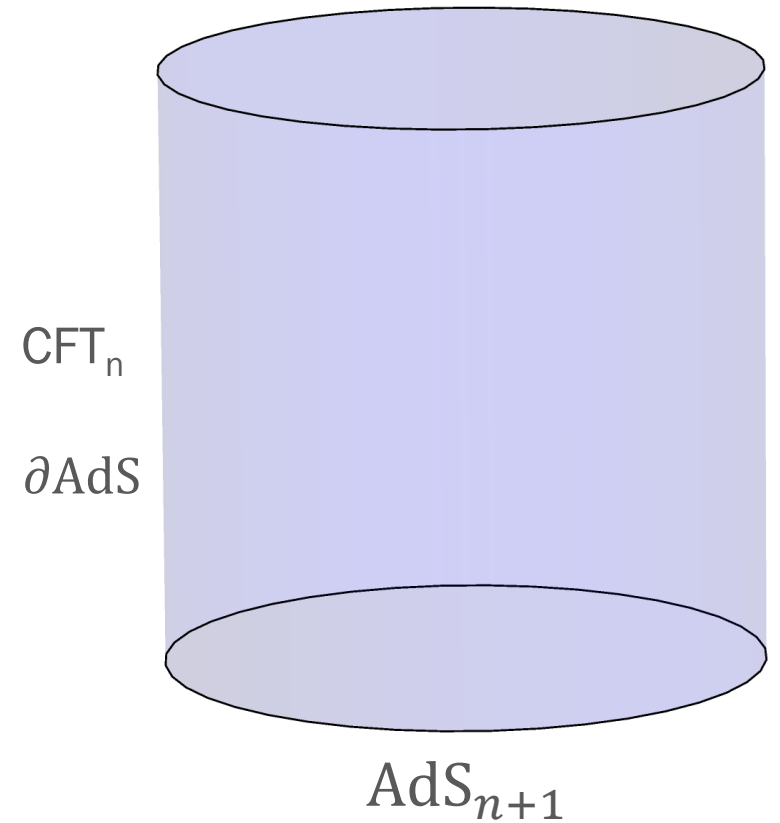
$S(\beta \rightarrow \infty) \neq 0$ unentangled?



Holographic Rindler CFT

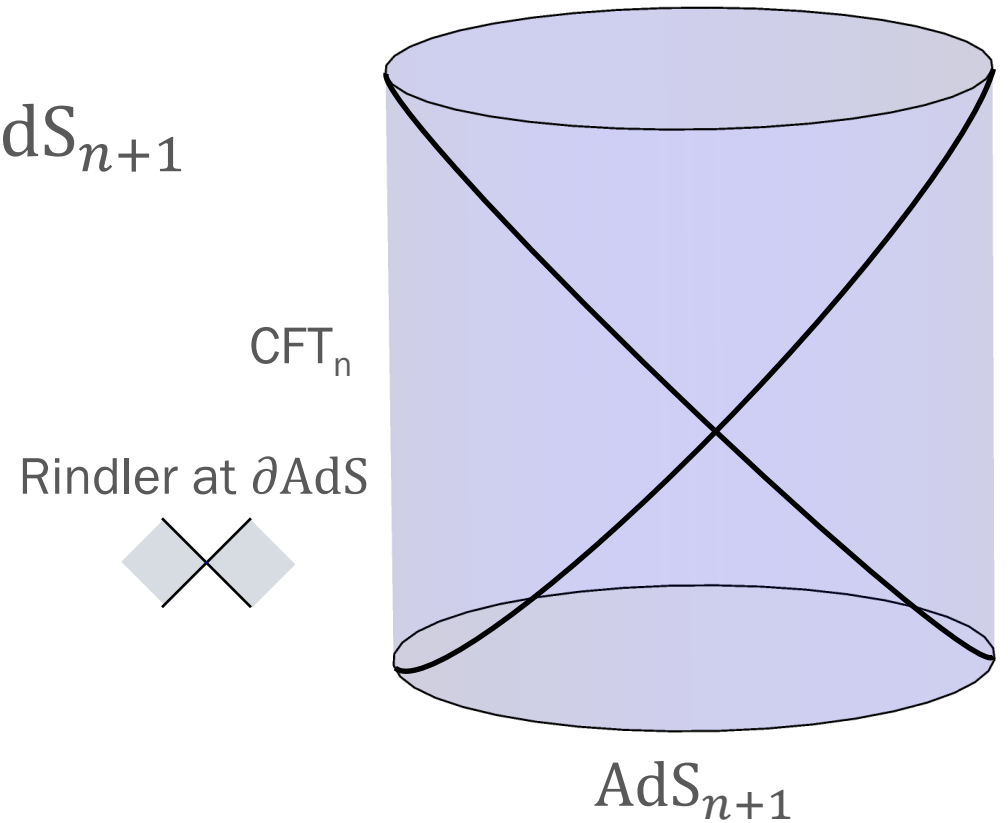
AdS / CFT

Gravity in $\text{AdS}_{n+1} \equiv \text{CFT}_n$ on the
spacetime at ∂AdS

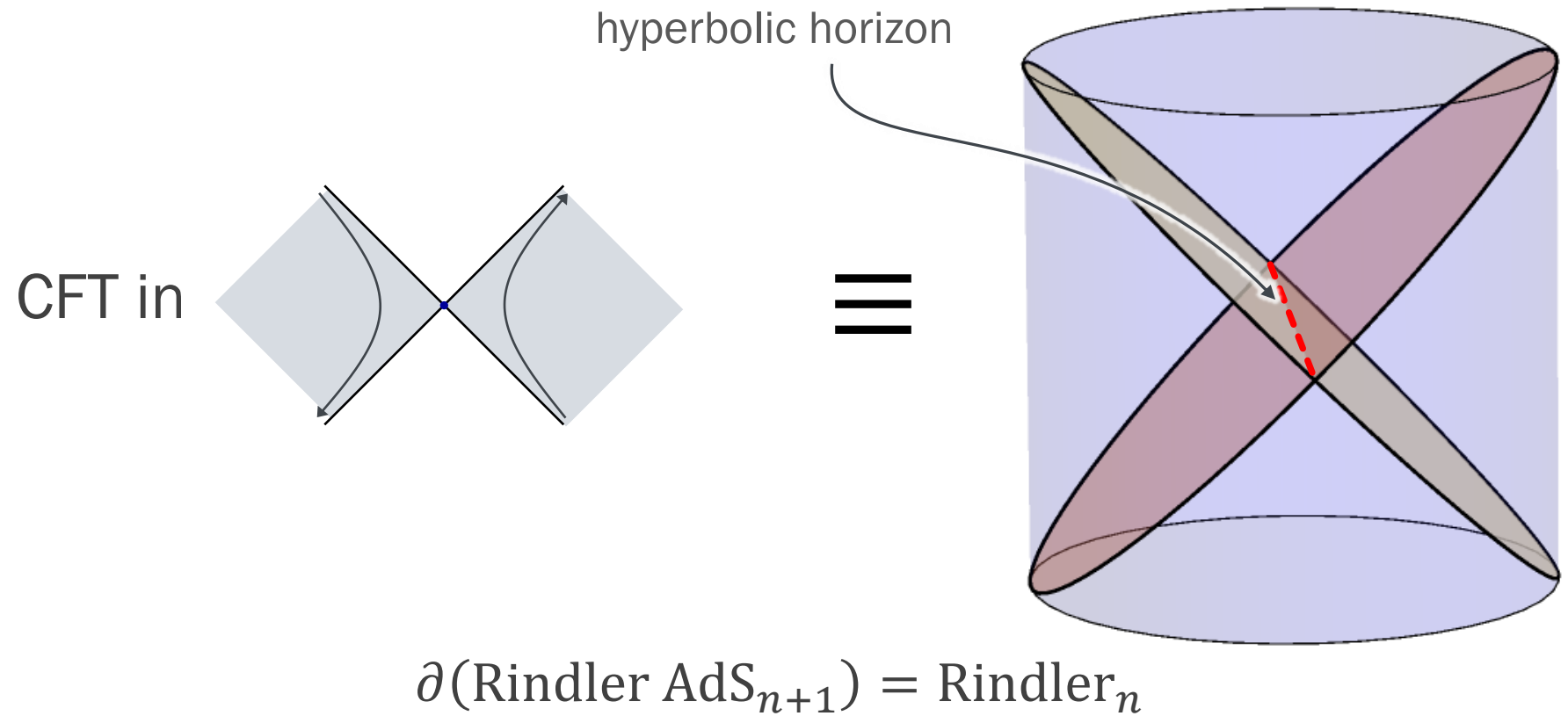


AdS / CFT

CFT_n in Rindler \equiv Gravity in Rindler- AdS_{n+1}



Rindler-AdS \Leftrightarrow CFT in Rindler

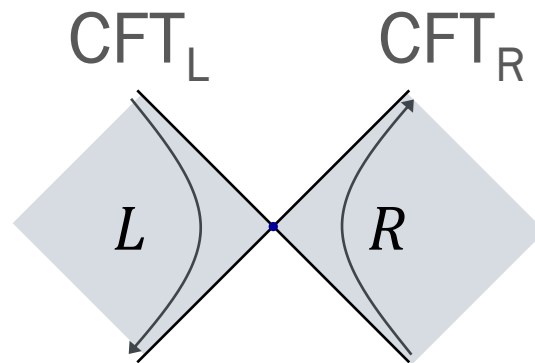


Holographic Entanglement Entropy

Ryu+Takayanagi
Casini+Huerta+Myers

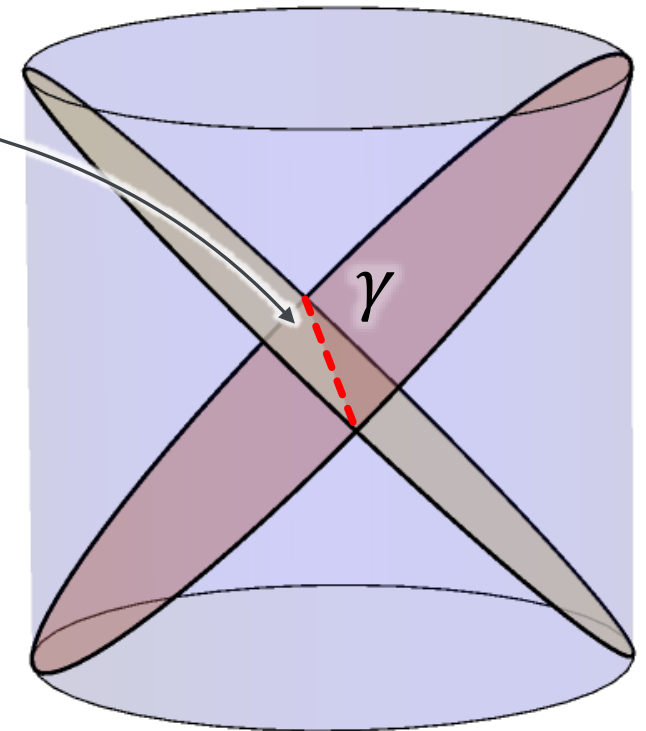
$$S = \frac{\text{Area}(\gamma)}{4G\hbar}$$

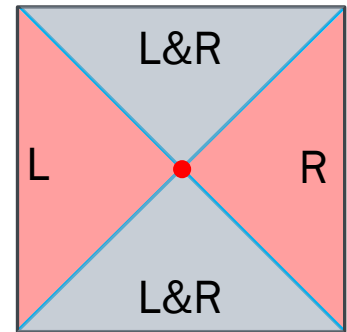
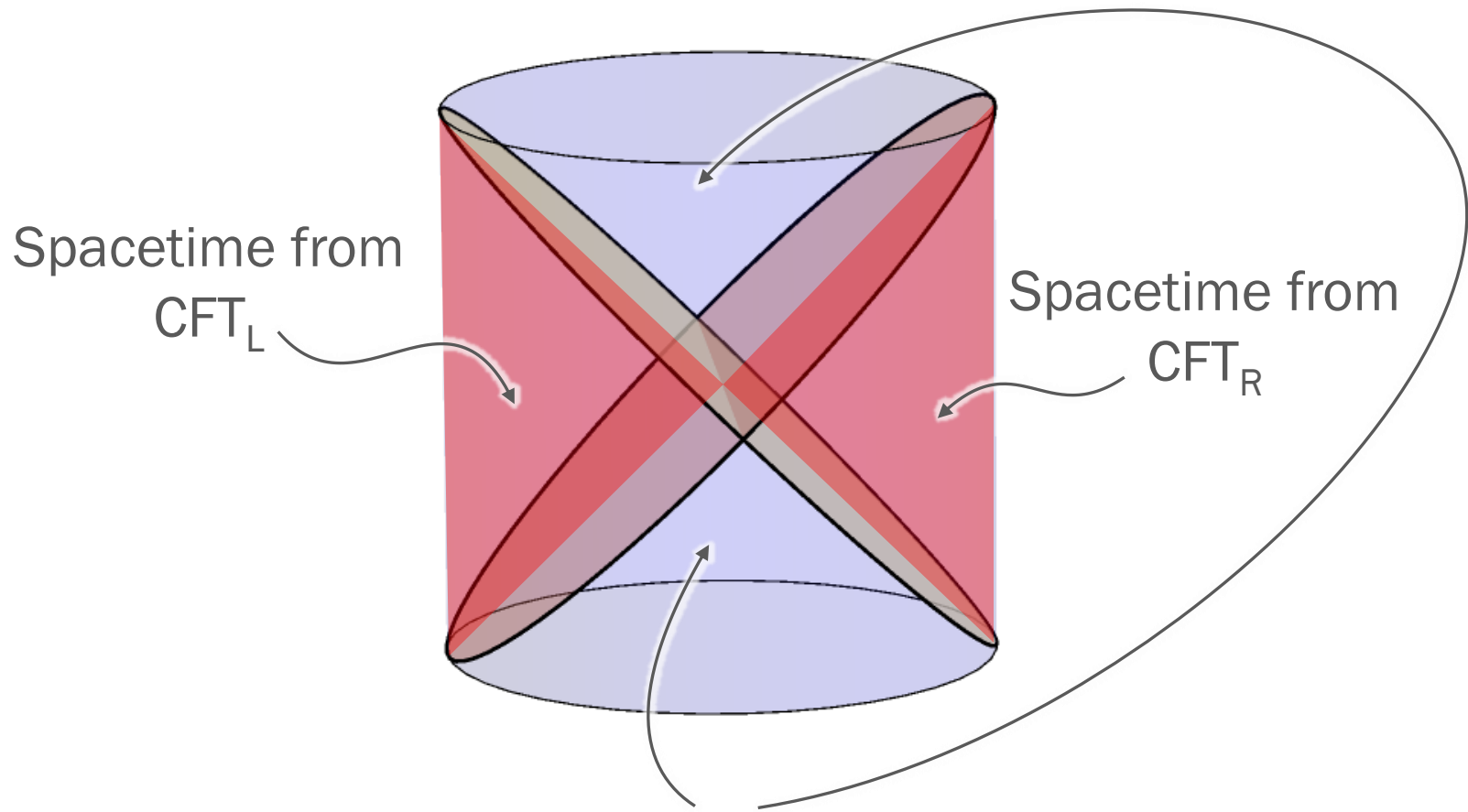
= entropy of hyperbolic horizon



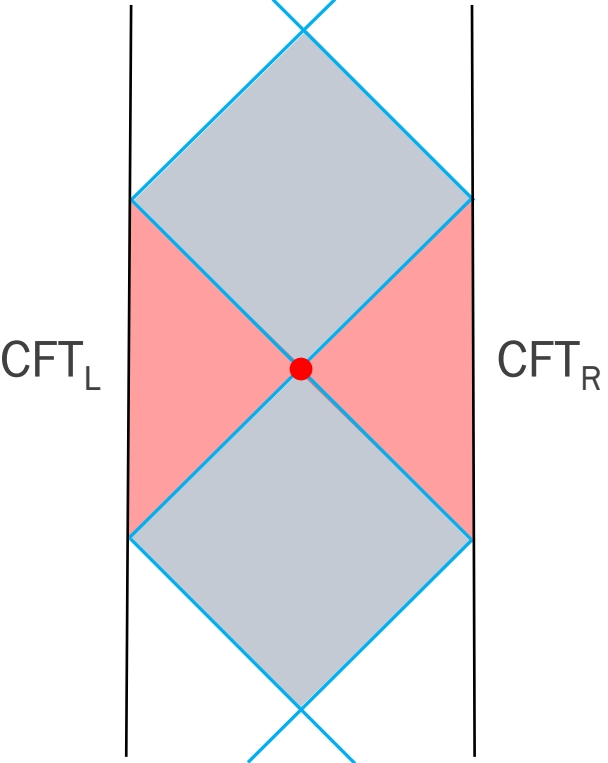
horizon=minimal surface γ

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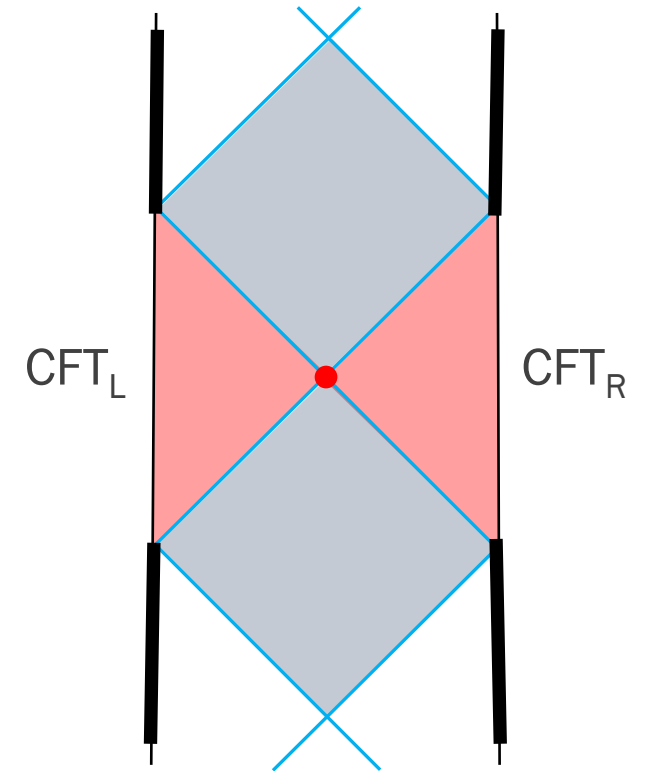
Rindler CFT \equiv Hyperbolic AdS

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{CFT}_L \otimes \text{CFT}_R \\ |0\rangle_M &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z}} \sum_i e^{-\pi E_i} |i\rangle_L |i\rangle_R \quad \equiv \\ & T = \frac{1}{2\pi} \end{aligned}$$


Disentangled Rindler CFT \equiv Hyperbolic AdS black hole

$$|\Psi_\beta\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z}} \sum_i e^{-E_i/2T} |i\rangle_L |i\rangle_R \quad \equiv$$

$$0 \leq T < \frac{1}{2\pi}$$



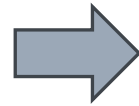
RE 1999
Czech et al 2012

Boulware vacuum \equiv Extremal hyperbolic black hole $T = 0$

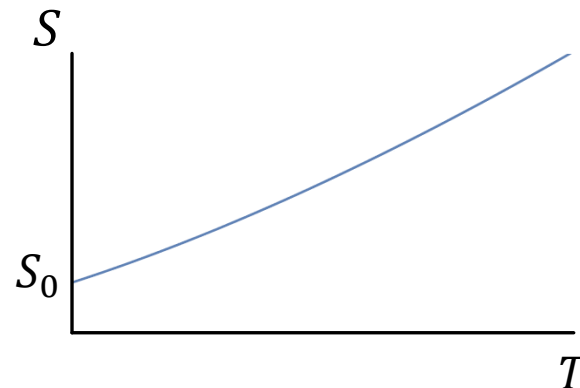
$$|\Psi_{\beta \rightarrow \infty}\rangle = |0\rangle_L |0\rangle_R$$

$$S(T \rightarrow 0) \neq 0$$

Extremal black hole
non-zero area

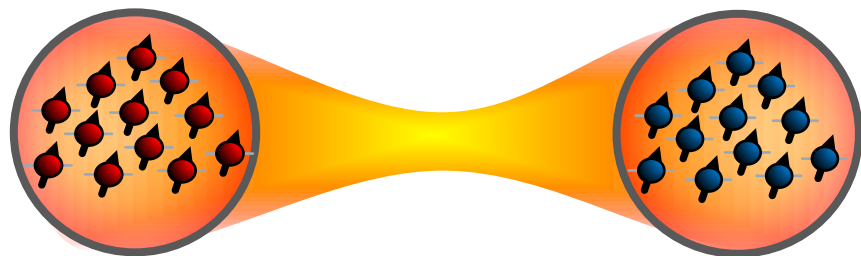


Unentangled state
non-zero entanglement entropy

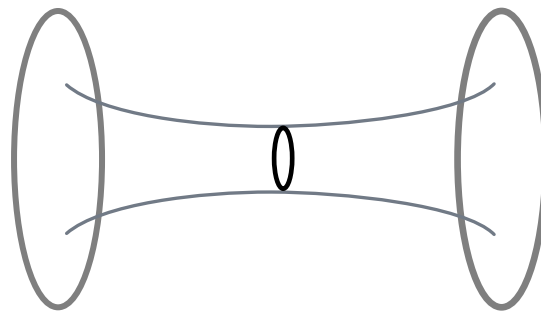


Entangled bridges

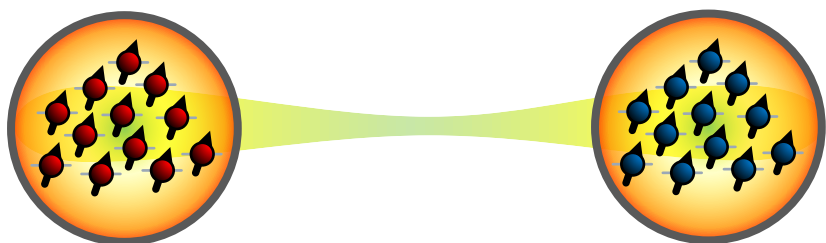
$$\sum_i e^{-E_i/2T} |i\rangle_L |i\rangle_R \quad T = \text{entangling temperature}$$



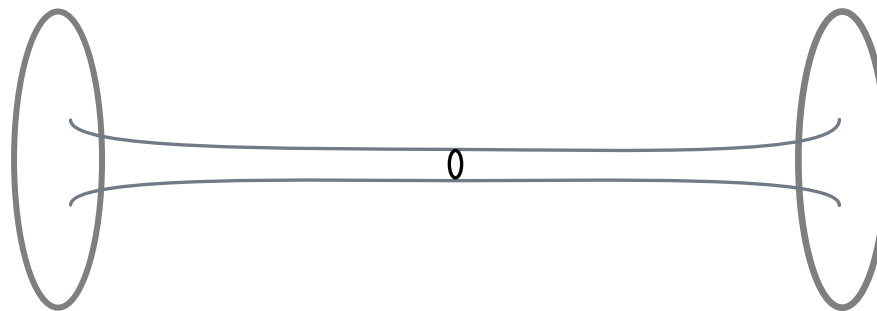
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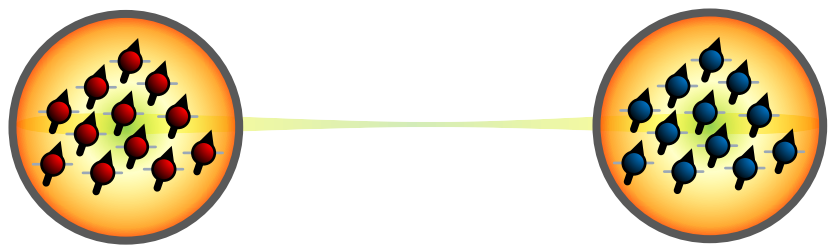


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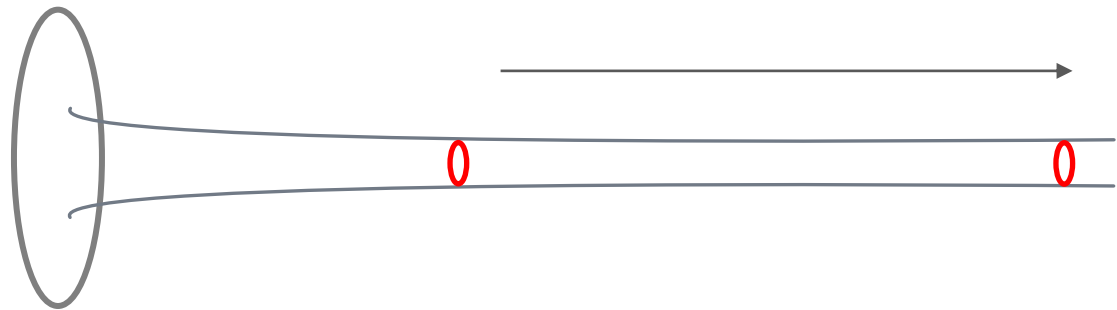


Disentangled bridges?

$$T \rightarrow 0$$



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$$L_{\text{bridge}} \sim \frac{1}{T} \sim 1/\text{correlation} \rightarrow \infty$$



$$A_{\text{bridge}} \sim \text{entanglement entropy} \rightarrow S_0 \neq 0$$



Quantum throat dynamics

EXTREME BRIDGE DEMOLITION

Entropy of extremal black holes has long been puzzling

Large degeneracy of ground state: non-generic (unless susy-protected)

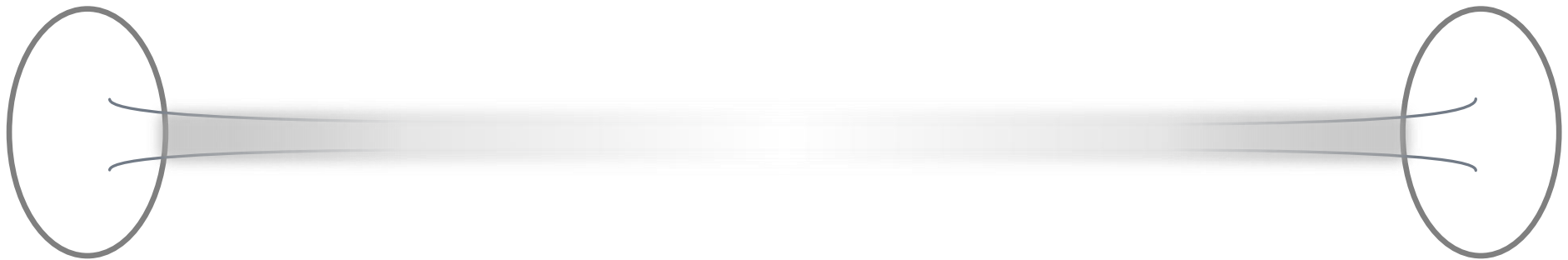
3rd Law of Thermo?

(Nernst theorem)

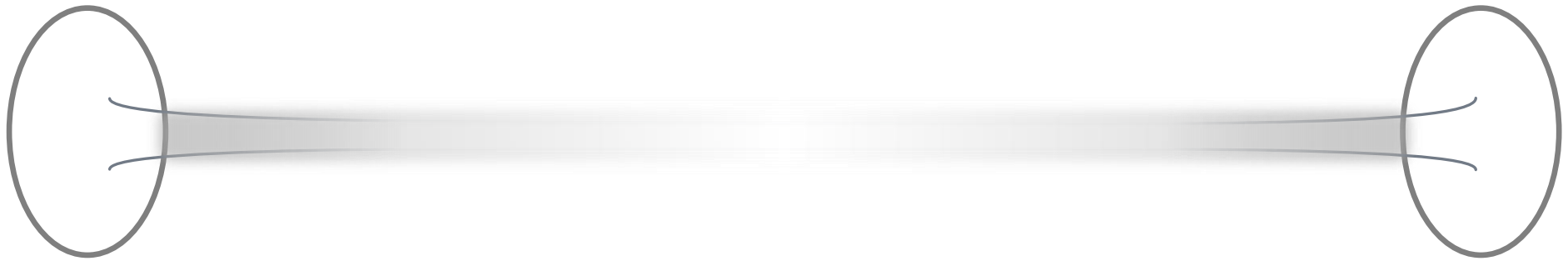
Quantum effects important at low temperatures

Quantum fluctuations of long throats

Quantum gravity in low curvature geometry



Entropy \neq Area



Quantum Near extremality (w/out susy)

Charged Reissner-Nordstrom black holes

Iliesiu+Turiaci

Rotating Kerr & BTZ black holes

Ghosh+Maxfield+Turiaci
Rakic+Rangamani+Turiaci
Kapec+Sheta+Strominger+Toldo

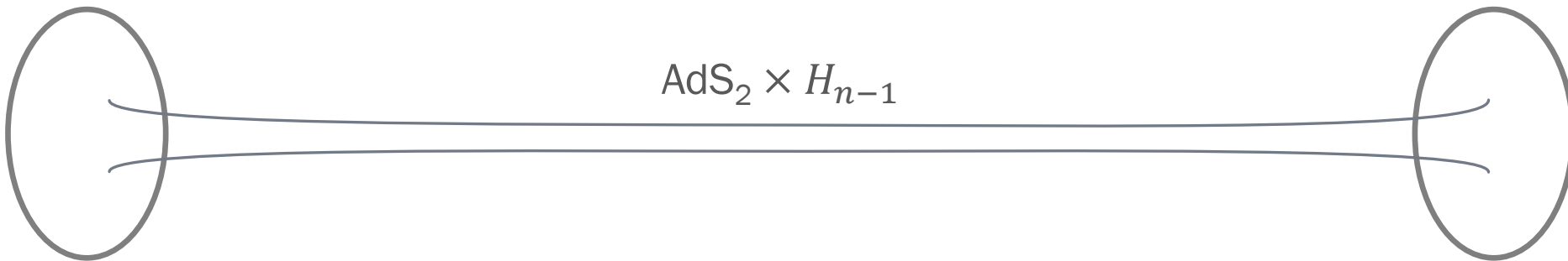
Hyperbolic AdS black holes

RE+Magán

Quantum Throat

- Euclidean gravitational path integral around saddle-point: near-extremal black hole
- Find dominant quantum fluctuations at low T
- Dynamics of throat: 2D dilaton gravity (JT gravity)

$$Z(T) = e^{-I_{\text{bh}}(T)} \times \det(Q)^{-1/2}$$



Quantum Throat

Maldacena+Stanford+Yang
Stanford+Witten
Mertens+Turiaci+Verlinde

- Dynamics of throat \rightarrow 1D theory (Schwarzian) of fluctuations of throat mouth

$$I_{\text{mouth}} = -\frac{1}{M_b} \int_0^\beta du \text{Sch}(\tau, u)$$



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- Strongly coupled at low $T < M_b$: Large quantum fluctuations of geometry
- Can be quantized – one-loop exact

$$I_{\text{mouth}} = -\frac{1}{M_b} \int_0^\beta du \text{Sch}(\tau, u)$$



Quantum corrections to BH entropy

$$S = \frac{A_H}{4G\hbar} + c \log A_H$$


scale of quantum fluctuations

Small quantum correction

Quantum corrections to *near-extremal* BH entropy

$$S = \frac{A_H}{4G\hbar} + c_T \log T + c_A \log A_H$$



two scales of quantum fluctuations

Iliesiu+Murthy+Turiaci
Banerjee+Saha+Srinivasan

Quantum $\log T$

$$S = \frac{A_H}{4G\hbar} + c_T \log T + c_A \log A_H$$

negative and not small at low T

$\log T$

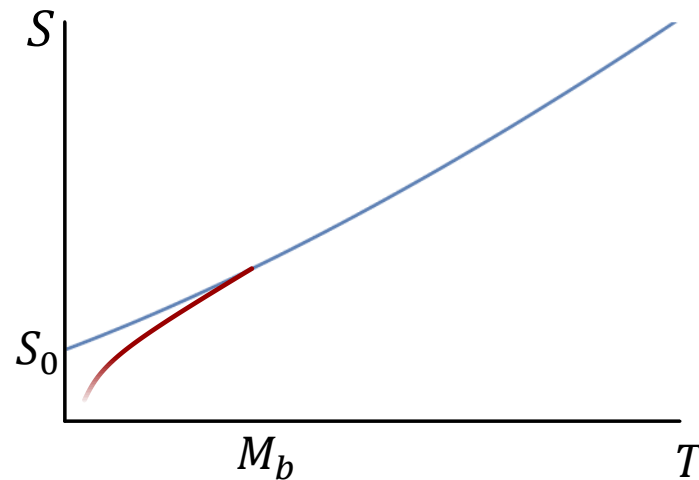


Rindler entanglement entropy at low temperature

$$S(T) = S_0 + 4\pi^2 \frac{T}{M_b} - \frac{3}{2} \left| \log \frac{T}{M_b} \right| + \dots$$

semiclassical $A_H/4G\hbar$

quantum fluctuations of throat



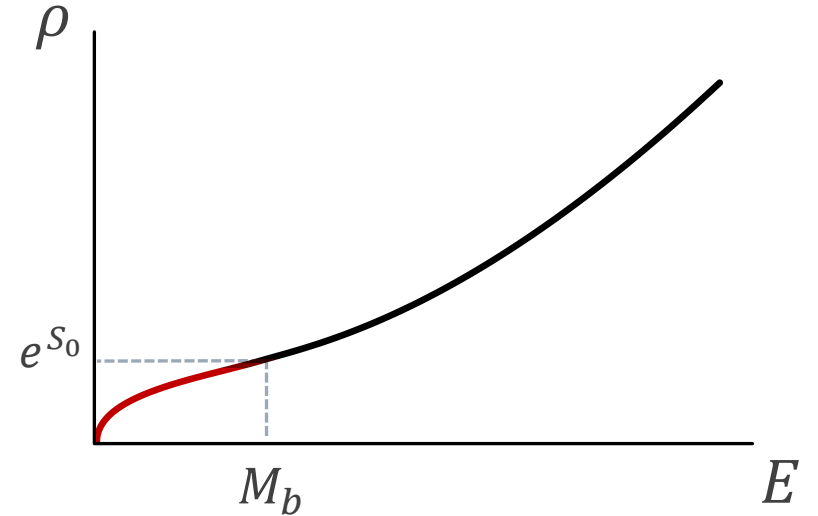
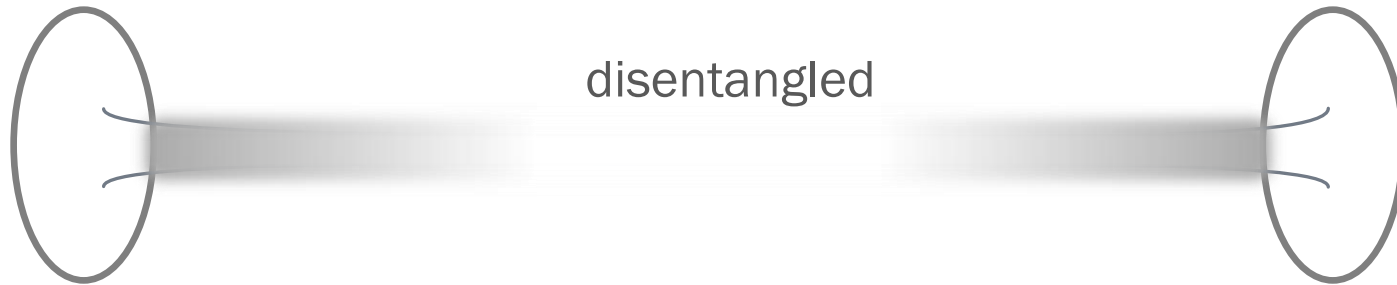
Gravitational partition function

$$Z(T) = e^{S_0 + 2\pi^2 \frac{T}{M_b}} \left(\frac{T}{M_b} \right)^{3/2}$$

quantum

Density of entangled states at low energies

$$\rho(E) = e^{S_0} \sinh \left(2\pi \sqrt{2E/M_b} \right)$$

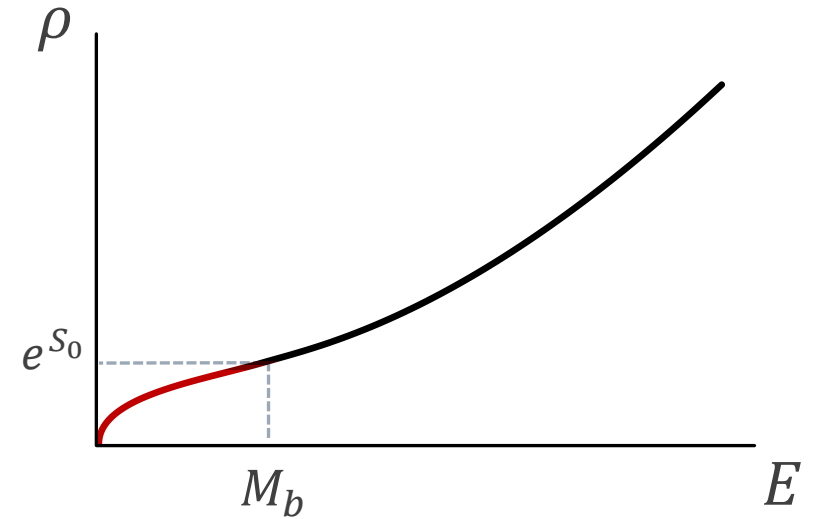
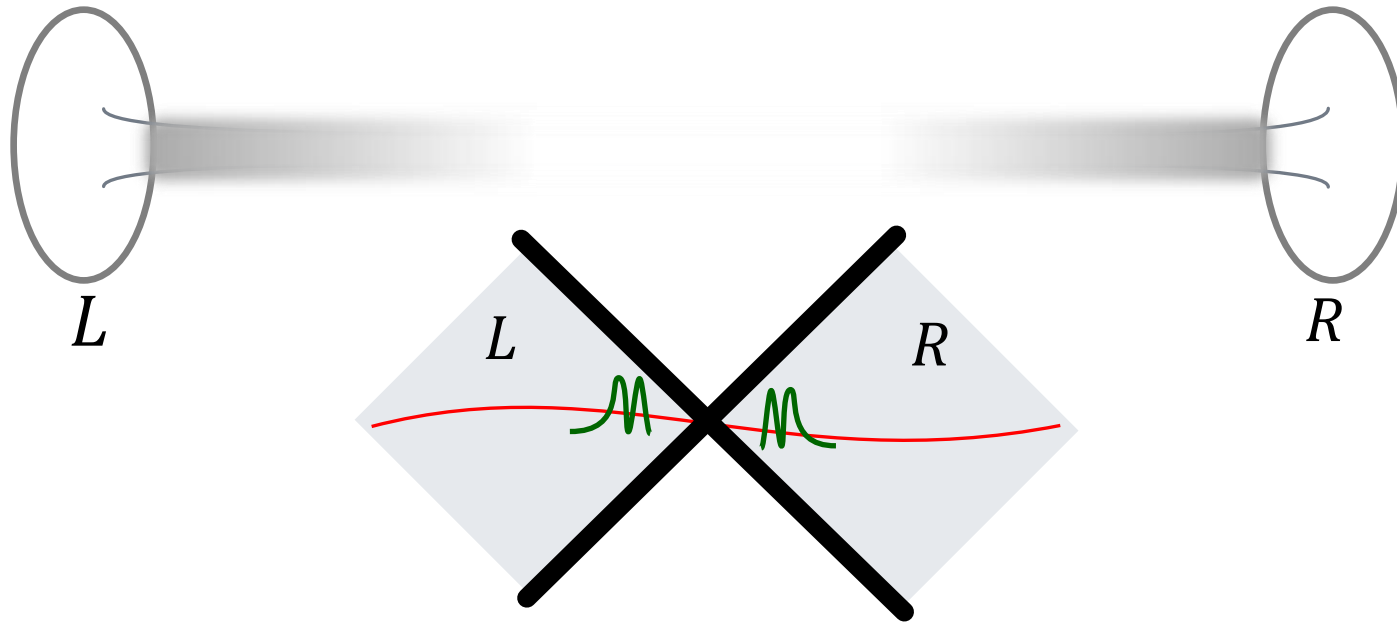


Entanglement not given by the area

not classicalized as geometry

Disentangled holographic Boulware vacuum

$$|\Psi_{E \rightarrow 0}\rangle \rightarrow |0\rangle_L |0\rangle_R$$

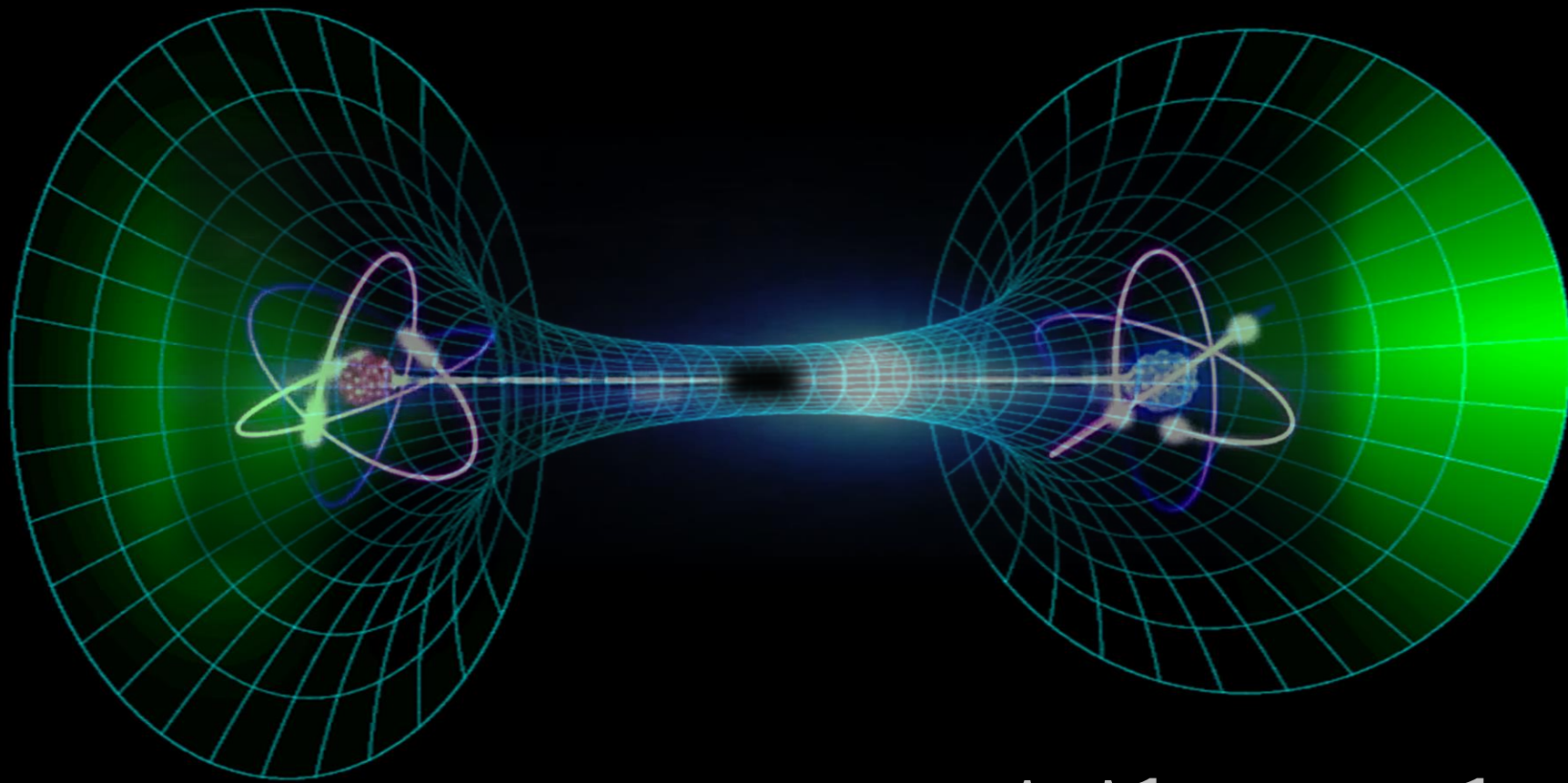


Puzzle solved ✓

Outlook



- Controlled strong quantum gravity in a large, weakly curved geometry
- Infrared Quantum Gravity fluctuations demolish geometric bridges – no Planck-scale curvatures
- Spacetime becomes quantum fuzz, untangles apart
- Gradually assemble large spacetime from random matrices?



Thank you

Outlook



SPACE-
"O time, thou must untangle this, not I.
It is too hard a knot for me t'untie."

W. S.

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Backup material

Rindler-AdS

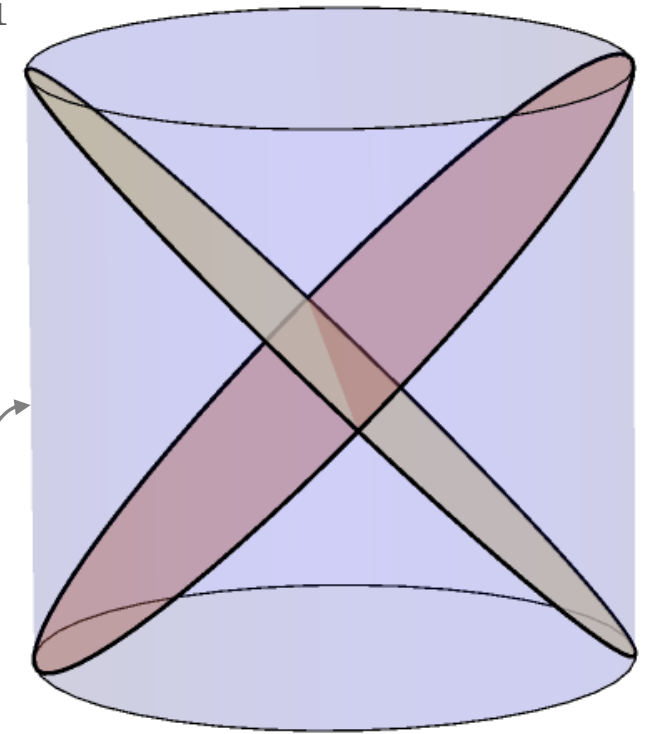
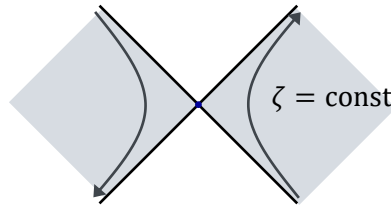
$$ds^2 = -(r^2 - \ell^2)dt^2 + \frac{\ell^2 dr^2}{r^2 - \ell^2} + r^2 \frac{d\zeta^2 + d\mathbf{x}^2}{\zeta^2}$$

hyperboloid H_{n-1}

$$= \frac{r^2}{\zeta^2} \left[- \left(1 - \frac{\ell^2}{r^2} \right) \zeta^2 dt^2 + d\zeta^2 + d\mathbf{x}^2 \right] + \frac{\ell^2}{r^2} \frac{dr^2}{1 - \frac{\ell^2}{r^2}}$$

$$r \rightarrow \infty \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$ds^2 \Big|_{\partial \text{AdS}} = -\zeta^2 dt^2 + d\zeta^2 + d\mathbf{x}^2$$



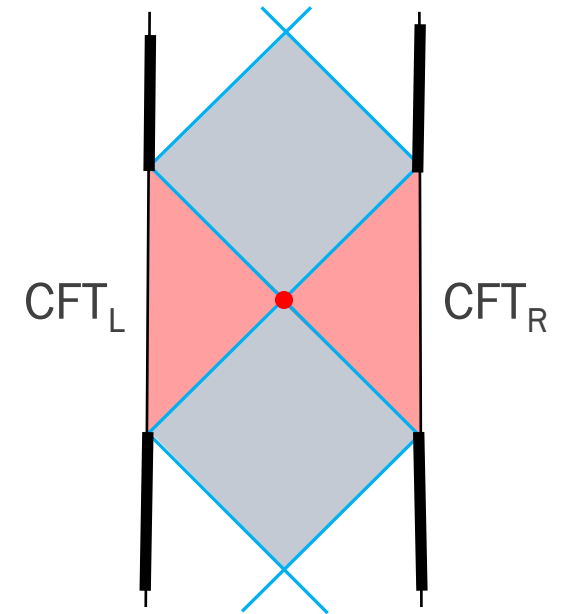
$$\partial(\text{Rindler AdS}_{n+1}) = \text{Rindler}_n$$

Disentangled Rindler CFT = Hyperbolic AdS *black hole*

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$$ds^2 = \frac{r^2}{\zeta^2} \underbrace{[-f(r)\zeta^2 dt^2 + d\zeta^2 + d\mathbf{x}^2]}_{\text{Rindler @bdry}} + \frac{\ell^2}{r^2} \frac{dr^2}{f(r)}$$

$$f(r) = 1 - \frac{\mu}{r^n} - \frac{\ell^2}{r^2}$$



RE 1999
Czech et al 2012

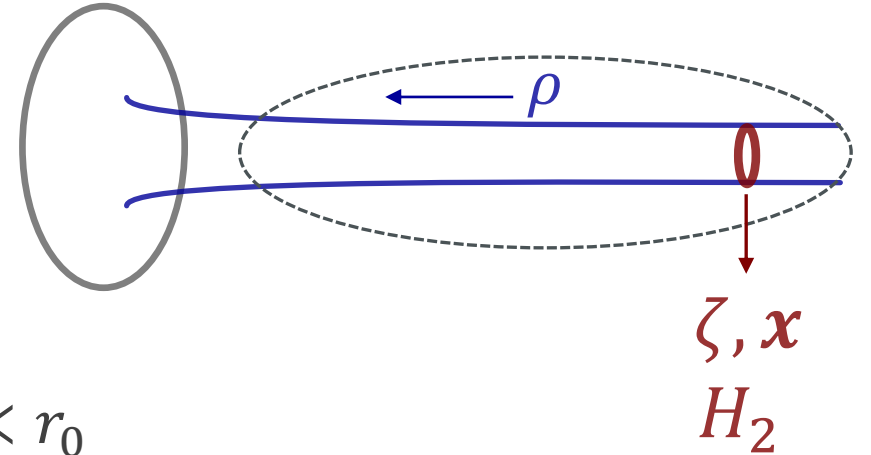
Throat geometry

near-extremality & near throat

$$r_h = r_0 + \rho_+$$

$$r = r_0 + \rho$$

$$\rho, \rho_+ \ll r_0$$



$$ds^2 = \underbrace{-\left(\rho^2 - \rho_+^2\right)dt^2 + \frac{d\rho^2}{\rho^2 - \rho_+^2}}_{\text{AdS}_2} + r_0^2 \underbrace{\frac{d\zeta^2 + dx^2}{\zeta^2}}_{H_2}$$

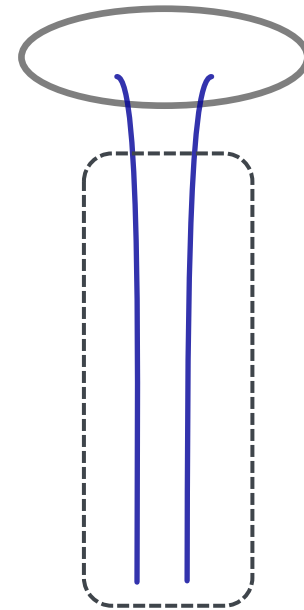
Throat reduction \rightarrow 2-dim dilaton gravity

$$ds^2 = \Phi^{-1/2} g_{\mu\nu}^{(2)} dx^\mu dx^\nu + r_0^2 \Phi dH_2$$

$$\Phi = \Phi_0 + \phi(\rho)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{(2)}, \Phi$$

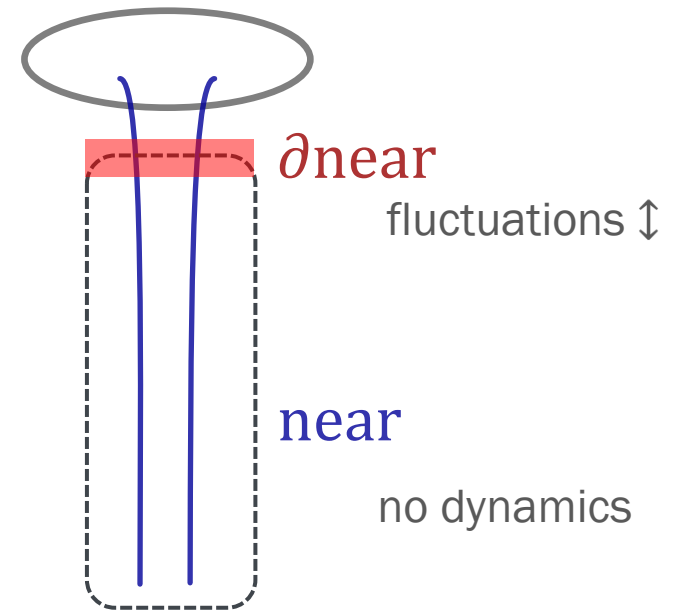
Throat = $\text{AdS}_2 \times H_2$



Throat reduction \rightarrow 2-dim JT gravity

$$I = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\text{near}} d^2x \sqrt{g} \left[\phi_0 R + \phi \left(R + \frac{2}{L_2^2} \right) \right]$$

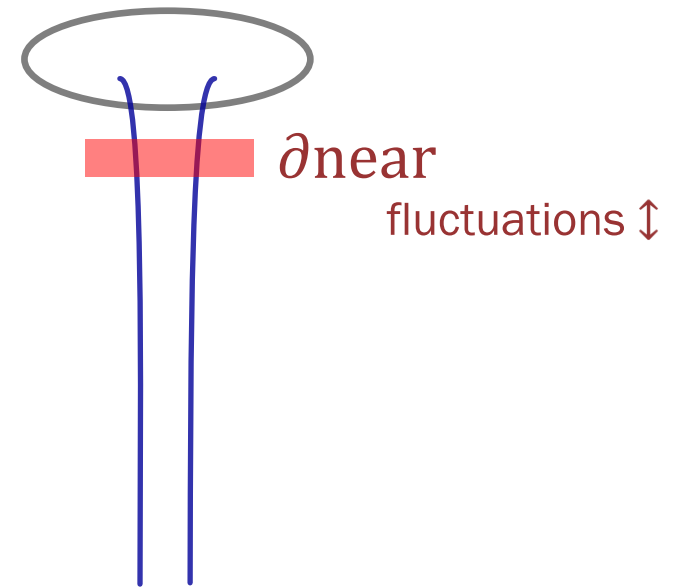
$$- \int_{\partial \text{near}} dx \sqrt{h} \left[\phi_0 K + \frac{1}{\epsilon M_b} \left(K - \frac{1}{L_2} \right) \right]$$



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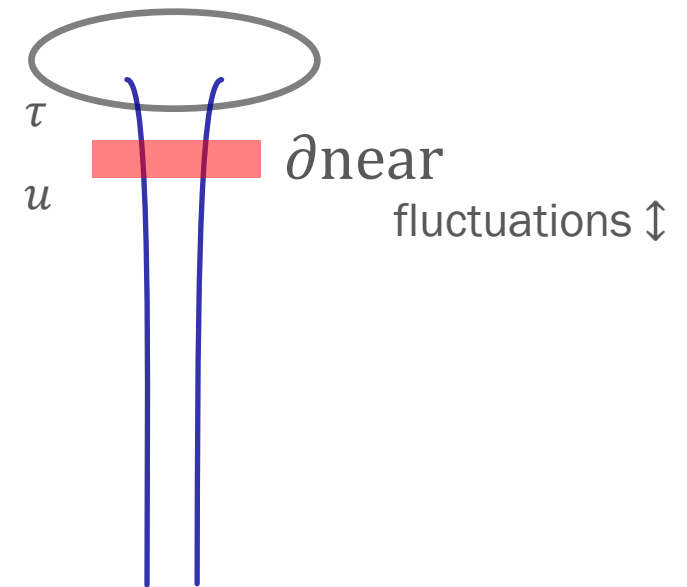


Maldacena+Stanford+Yang,
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2-dim JT gravity \rightarrow 1-dim Schwarzian theory

$$I = \beta E_0 - S_0 - \frac{1}{M_b} \int_0^\beta du \text{Sch}(\tau, u)$$

fluctuations in height of mouth
matching of near and far time



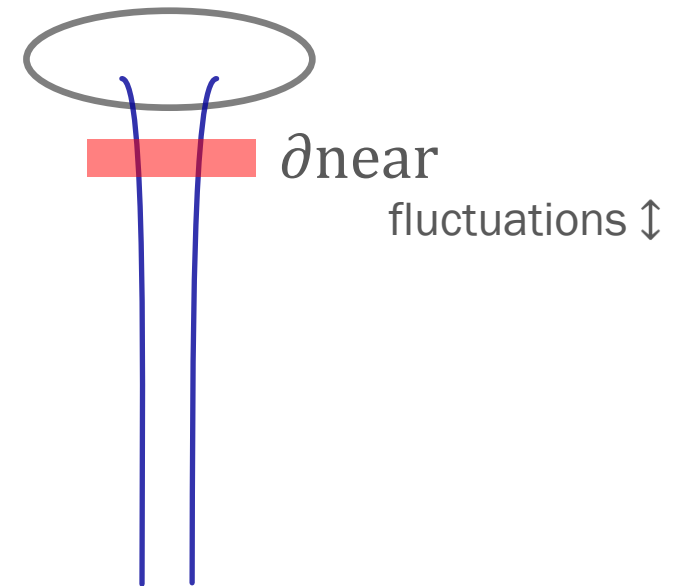
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1-dim Schwarzian theory

$$I = \beta E_0 - S_0 - \frac{1}{M_b} \int_0^\beta du \text{Sch}(\tau, u)$$



Can be exactly quantized

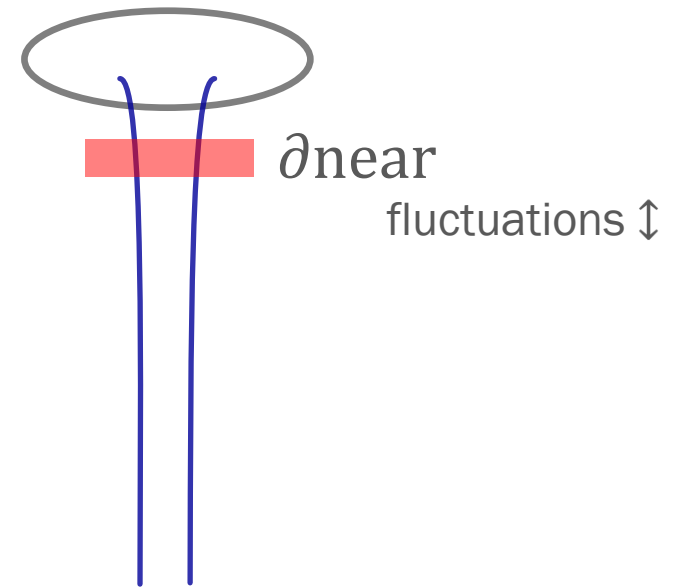


Quantum Gravity of throat

$$I = \beta E_0 - S_0 - \frac{1}{M_b} \int_0^\beta du \text{Sch}(\tau, u)$$



Quantum fluctuations of large geometry



Quantum Throat

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Gravitational partition function at small T

$$Z(T) = e^{\underbrace{S_0 + 2\pi^2 \frac{T}{M_b}}_{\text{semiclassical Gibbons-Hawking}}} \underbrace{\left(\frac{T}{M_b}\right)^{3/2}}_{\text{quantum fluctuations of throat}}$$

