

Quantum focusing conjecture and the Page curve

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Quantum focusing conjecture is not violated even after Page time

Does quantum focusing conjecture (QFC) hold after Page time?

$$\text{QFC} \Rightarrow S_{\text{gen}} \text{ is non-decreasing} \quad S_{\text{gen}} = \frac{\text{Area}}{4G_N} + S_{\text{rad}}$$

$$\text{After Page time} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Area: decreasing} \\ S_{\text{rad}}: \text{decreasing} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \text{Violation of QFC?}$$

Results from the island rule (formula)

Page time is an approximately null surface

Entanglement entropy is increasing after Page time

Quantum focusing conjecture is not violated

Plan of Talk

1. Quantum focusing conjecture (QFC)

- Classical focusing is violated by quantum effects
- QFC is inspired by generalized second law
- Question: does QFC hold even after Page time?

2. Islands in evaporating black holes

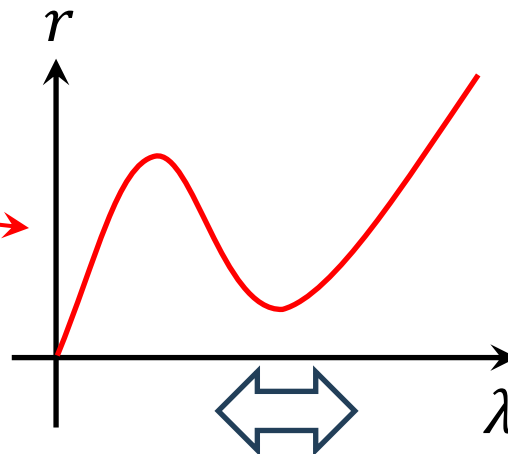
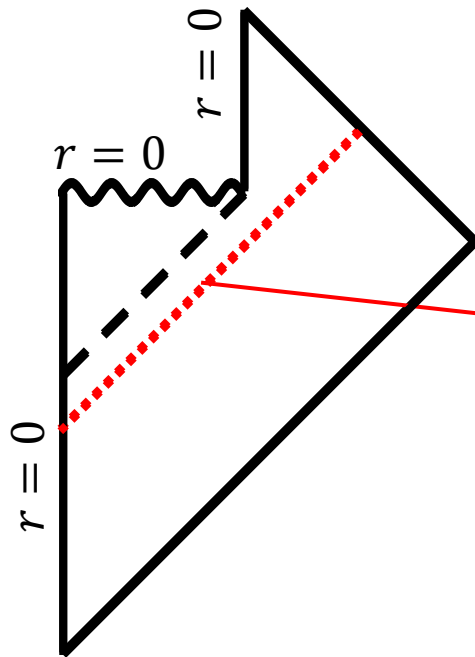
3. Quantum focusing conjecture with/without islands

Classical focusing is violated by quantum effects

Classical focusing theorem holds if **energy is positive**

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\lambda} = -\frac{1}{2}\theta^2 - \sigma^2 - R_{\mu\nu}k^\mu k^\nu \leq 0 \qquad \theta = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{dr^2}{d\lambda}$$

Negative energy appears in
evaporating black hole geometry



$\log r$ is convex



**Violation of
classical focusing**

Quantum focusing conjecture is proposed inspired by generalized second law

[Bousso-Fisher-Leuchenaue-Wall,'15]

Classical focusing $\Rightarrow \theta$ is positive or ~~caustics occur~~

Event horizon has no caustics

Area of event horizon is non-decreasing

$$S_{\text{BH}} = \frac{\text{Area}}{4G_N}$$

BH entropy satisfies second law
for classical black hole

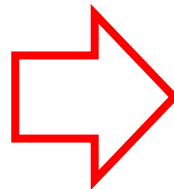
Black hole emits Hawking radiation

Total entropy satisfies second law

$$S_{\text{gen}} = \frac{\text{Area}}{4G_N} + S_{\text{rad}}$$

Classical focusing $\frac{d\theta}{d\lambda} \leq 0$

$$\theta = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{dr^2}{d\lambda}$$



Quantum focusing $\frac{d\Theta}{d\lambda} \leq 0$

$$\Theta = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{dS_{\text{gen}}}{d\lambda}$$

Question: does quantum focusing conjecture hold even after Page time?

Quantum focusing conjecture: $\frac{d\Theta}{d\lambda} \leq 0$ (along null surface)

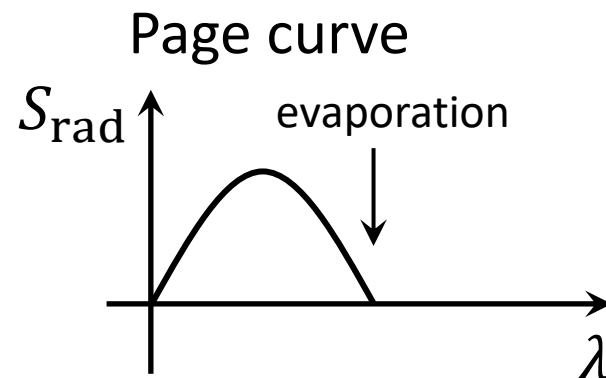
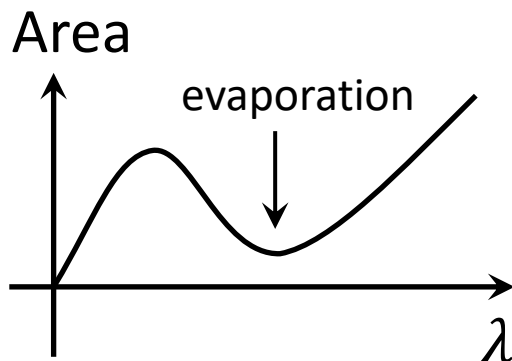
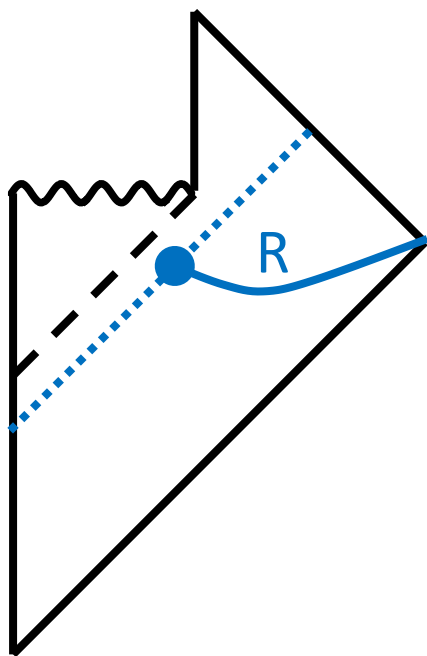
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$$S_{\text{gen}} = \frac{\text{Area}}{4G_N} + S_{\text{rad}}$$

Entanglement entropy of matters on R

Gravity part of entanglement entropy on R

S_{gen} does not satisfy generalized second law if S_{gen} is defined by von Neumann entropy



Plan of Talk

1. Quantum focusing conjecture

2. Islands in evaporating black holes

- Hawking radiation is identified with a region outside BH
- Island appears in replica trick with gravity
- At early times, Entanglement entropy $\simeq$ Thermal entropy
- Island gives entropy bound at Bekenstein-Hawking entropy

3. Quantum focusing conjecture with/without islands

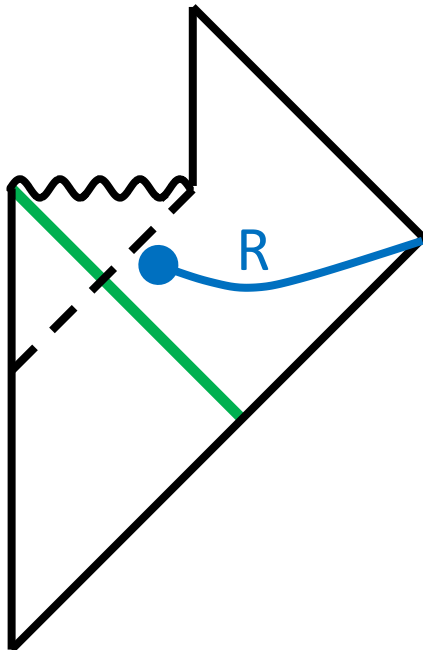
Hawking radiation is identified with
a region outside the black hole

We consider eternal (2-sided) Schwarzschild geometry

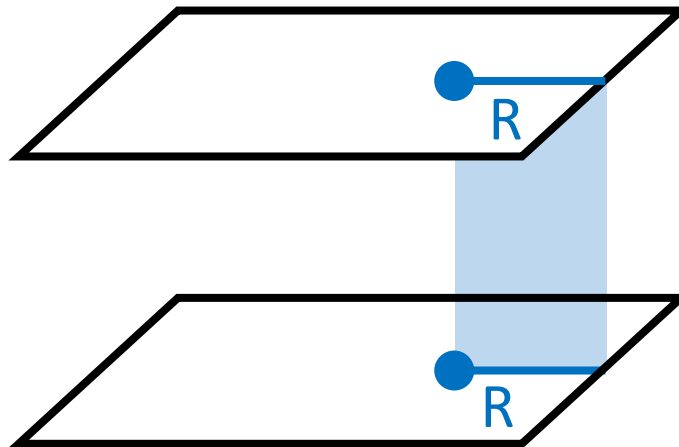
Entanglement entropy
of Hawking radiation

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Entanglement entropy
of **region R**



We use replica trick for region R



Island appears in replica trick with gravity

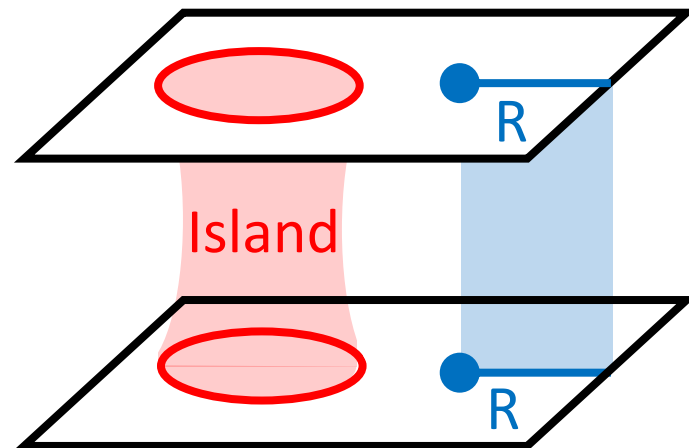
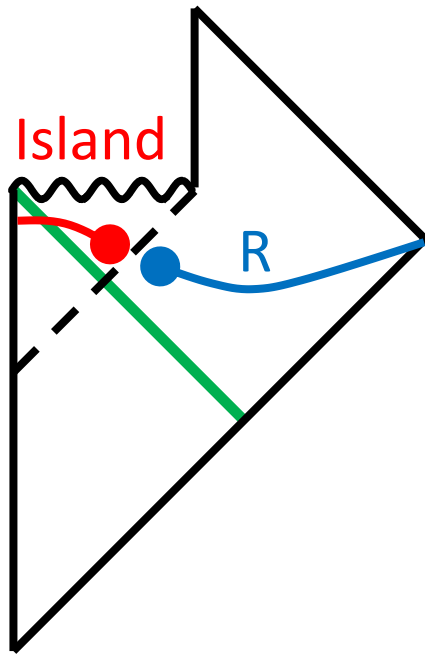
Replica trick with gravity

➔ Wormhole geometry between replicas is allowed = **Island**

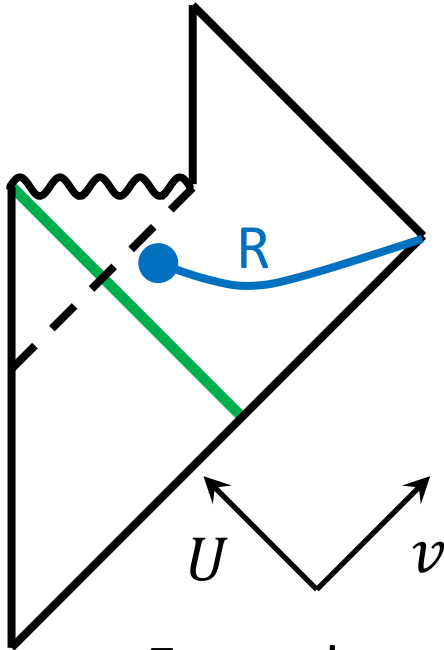
Entanglement entropy
of **R** with gravity

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Entanglement entropy
of **R****I** without gravity



No island at early times:
Entanglement entropy $\simeq$ Thermal entropy



Entanglement entropy increases with time

$$S_{\text{rad}} = \frac{c}{12} \log L^2$$

Unruh vacuum $\rightarrow$ Eddington-Finkelstein coord.

$$ds^2 \simeq -e^{2\rho} dU dv + r^2 d\Omega^2 \quad 2\rho \simeq \frac{v}{2r_h}$$

$$v = t + r_* \quad U = -e^{(t-r_*)/2r_h}$$

Entanglement entropy increases with time

$$S_{\text{rad}} = \frac{c}{12} \log e^{2\rho} (\Delta x)^2 \simeq \frac{c}{6} \rho = \frac{c}{24} \frac{v}{r_h} \sim \frac{c}{24} \frac{t}{r_h}$$

= thermal entropy of Hawking radiation

Island appears at late times: entropy bound at Bekenstein-Hawking entropy

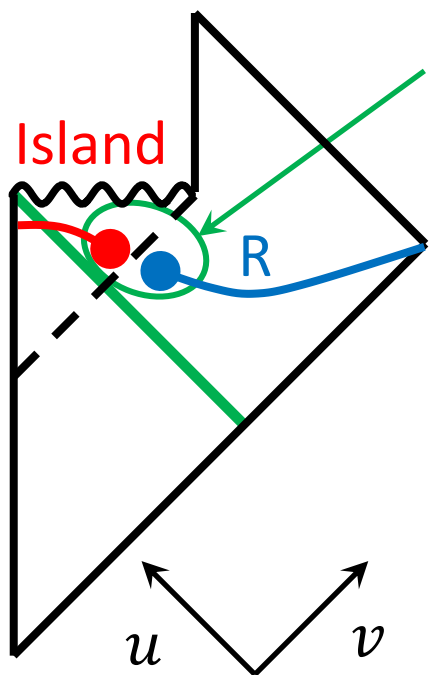
Area term + non-local term

$$S_{\text{rad}} = \frac{\text{Area}}{4G_N} + \frac{c}{3} \log L \simeq \frac{\pi r_h^2}{G_N} \quad (\text{Bekenstein-Hawking entropy})$$

$$v = t + r_*$$

$$u = t - r_*$$

$$U = -e^{-u/2r_h}$$



L : distance between $R (U, v)$ and $\text{Island } (U_a, v_a)$

$$U_a = -\frac{1}{3} U \quad v_a = -2r_h \log U = u$$

$$\frac{\text{Area}}{4G_N} \simeq \frac{\pi r_h^2(v_0)}{G_N} - \frac{c}{48 r_h} \frac{u}{v} \simeq \frac{\pi r_h^2(v)}{G_N}$$

$$\frac{c}{6} \log L^2 \simeq -\frac{c}{24 r_h} \frac{u}{v} + \frac{c}{24 r_h} \frac{v}{u} \quad t\text{-independent}$$

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1. Quantum focusing conjecture
2. Islands in evaporating black holes
3. Quantum focusing conjecture with/without islands
 - Results of entanglement entropy from island rule
 - Page time is an approximately null surface
 - Entanglement entropy decreases for timelike surface
 - Entanglement entropy increases for null surface

Results of entanglement entropy from island rule

Area term

$$v = t + r_* \quad u = t - r_*$$

$$\frac{\text{Area}}{4G_N} = \frac{\pi r^2}{G_N} \simeq \frac{\pi r_0^2}{G_N} - \frac{c}{48 r_h} v$$

Entanglement entropy without islands

$$S_{\text{matter}} \simeq \frac{c}{24 r_h} v \simeq \frac{c}{24 r_h} t$$

Increases with time t

Increases with time v

Entanglement entropy with island

$$S_{\text{matter}} \simeq \frac{\pi r_0^2}{G_N} + \frac{c}{24 r_h} v - \frac{c}{16 r_h} u \simeq \frac{\pi r_0^2}{G_N} - \frac{c}{48 r_h} t$$

Increases with time v

decreases with time t

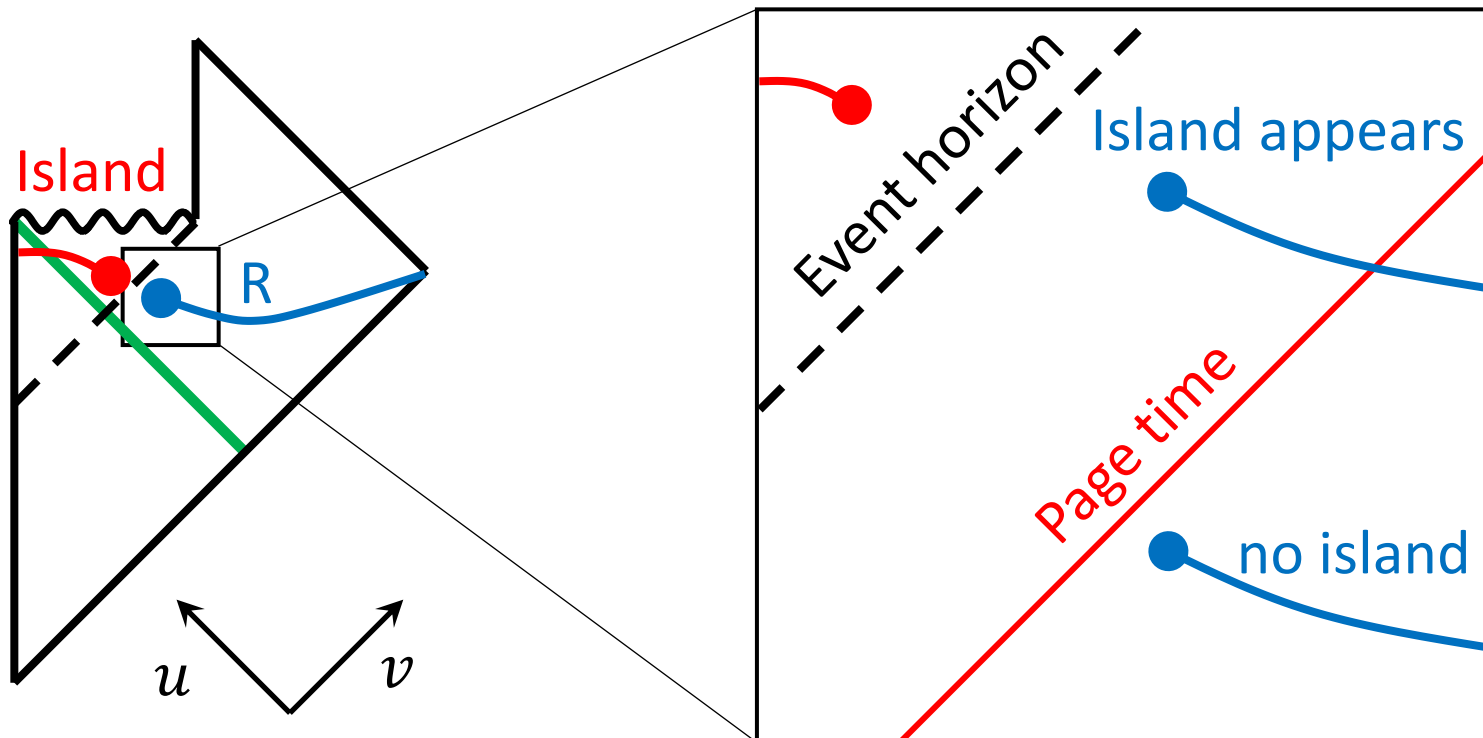
Page time is approximately null surface

Configuration with smaller S realizes

$$S^{(\text{no-island})} \simeq \frac{c}{24} \frac{v}{r_h}$$

$$S^{(\text{island})} \simeq \frac{\pi r_0^2}{G_N} + \frac{c}{24} \frac{v}{r_h} - \frac{c}{16} \frac{u}{r_h}$$

Def. of Page time: Island appears after the Page time

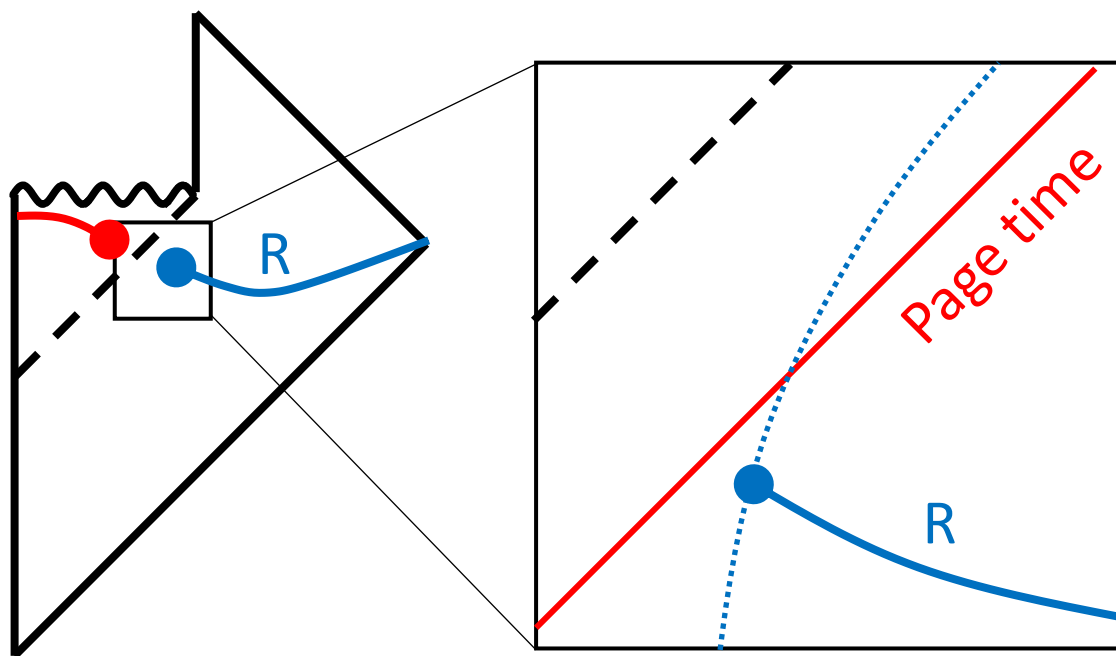


Entanglement entropy decreases along timelike surface after Page time

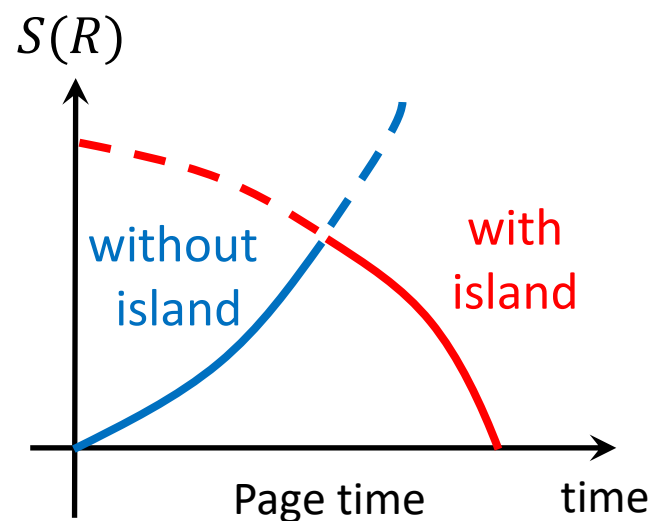
If endpoint of R moves along timelike surface:

$$S(\text{no-island}) \simeq \frac{c}{24} \frac{t}{r_h}$$

$$S(\text{island}) \simeq \frac{\pi r_0^2}{G_N} - \frac{c}{48} \frac{t}{r_h}$$



Page curve reproduced

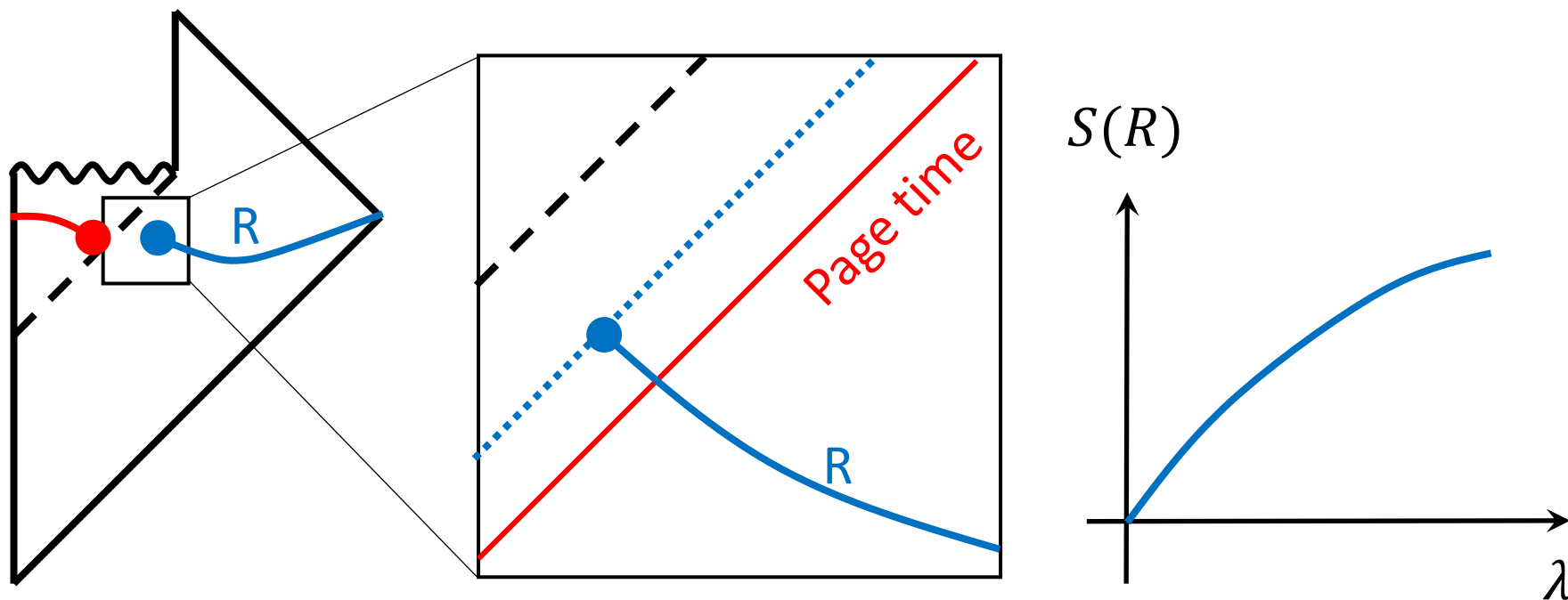


Entanglement entropy increases along outgoing null surface

If endpoint of R moves along null surface, $u = \text{const.}$,

$$S_{\text{gen}}^{(\text{no-island})} \simeq \frac{c}{48} \frac{v}{r_h} \quad S_{\text{gen}}^{(\text{island})} \simeq \frac{\pi r_0^2}{G_N} + \frac{c}{48} \frac{v}{r_h} - \frac{c}{16} \frac{u}{r_h}$$

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