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De Sitter Horizons and Holography

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AdS, dS: similar, but different



(from Eva's talk)



Embedding dS into AdS

- A natural idea would be to try to embed a patch of de Sitter into an AdS geometry.
- This was fostered by [Freivogel, Hubeny, Maloney, Myers, Rangamani, Shenker, 2005].
- But, EoMs + Energy conditions required the dS patch to hide behind the horizon of an AdS Schwarzschild solution.





• But this is for d>2. What about (A) dS_2 ?

A few words on dS_2

• The global metric is described by

$$ds_{global}^{2} = \frac{-d\tau^{2} + d\varphi^{2}}{\cos^{2}\tau} \quad , \ \tau \,\epsilon \left[-\pi/2, \pi/2\right]$$

• A single observer only has access to the static patch geometry:

$$ds_{static}^2 = \frac{-dt^2 + d\rho^2}{\cosh^2 \rho} , \ \rho \, \epsilon \, [-\infty, \infty]$$

- The patch is always finite.
- The static patch has two horizons.
- It appears as a solution in higher dimensions, dS₂ x S^{d-2}, in the socalled Nariai limit.

[Maldacena, Turiaci, Yang, '19] [Cotler, Jensen, Maloney, '19]



An action for the centaurs

In 2d, the Einstein action is topological

$$S_{top} = -\frac{\phi_0}{2} \int d^2 x \sqrt{g} R - \phi_0 \int_{\partial \mathcal{M}} du \sqrt{h} K$$

• We will consider the following (Euclidean) gravity-dilation action

$$S_E = -\frac{1}{2\kappa} \int d^2 x \sqrt{g} \left(\phi R + V(\phi) \right) - \frac{1}{\kappa} \int_{\partial \mathcal{M}} du \sqrt{h} \phi K$$

• It is important that the full dilaton remains positive, so that

$$\phi_{tot} = (\phi_0 + \phi/\kappa) \gg 0$$

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Properties of the centaur

- It is a smooth, differentiable geometry that interpolates between AdS and dS.
- It has the conformal boundary of AdS but deep in the infrared it goes to the static patch of dS.
- The dilaton grows monotonically, so there is no violation of the (higher dimensional) NEC.
- We can also build the Lorentzian centaur via an analogue Hartle-Hawking mechanism.







Some holographic experiments



Boundary modes and chaos

The boundary theory

- We still need to fix boundary conditions. The Dirichlet problem defines a curve close to the boundary $\mathscr{C} = \{\tau(u), \rho(u)\}$ $h(u) = e^{2\omega(\rho(u), \tau(u))} \left((\partial_u \tau(u))^2 + (\partial_u \rho(u))^2 \right), \quad \phi_b(u) = \phi(\rho(u), \tau(u))$
- Evaluating the action we obtain a boundary action

$$S_{bdy} = \frac{\tilde{\phi}_b}{\kappa} \int du \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\partial_u \tau(u) \right)^2 - Sch \left[\tau(u), u \right] \right) \,.$$

- The clock close to the boundary of the centaur geometries is that of the hyperbolic cylinder instead of the hyperbolic disk.
- Expanding around the saddle τ =u, we obtain an effective action for the fluctuations τ =u+ $\delta \tau$ (u):

$$S_{fluct} = \frac{\tilde{\phi}_b}{2\kappa} \int du \, \left(\left(\partial_u^2 \delta \tau(u) \right)^2 + \left(\partial_u \delta \tau(u) \right)^2 \right)$$

Out-of-time ordered correlators



 φ_b

Now we will add some matter perturbations and compute the out-of-• time ordered correlator for these geometries:

$$F(t) \equiv \left\langle V(\pi/2)W(it)V(-\pi/2)W(-\pi+it)\right\rangle_c$$

$$F(t) \propto \frac{\kappa\beta}{\tilde{\phi}_b} \exp \frac{2\pi}{\beta} t \qquad \lambda_L = \frac{2\pi}{\beta}$$
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De Sitter horizons and chaos

- We found that dS horizons do not exhibit a chaotic behaviour in their out-of-time-ordered correlator. This is quite striking since the naive argument is that the gravity result is universal for horizons.
- We consider this a distinctive feature of dS horizons rather than a "bug".
- We can even generalise our construction:
- We obtain a generalised Schwarzian theory

$$S_{bdy} = \frac{\phi_b}{\kappa} \int du \left(\frac{\gamma}{2} (\partial_u \tau(u))^2 - Sch \left[\tau(u), u \right] \right)$$
 Exponential, when $\gamma = 0$

Solution Oscillatory, when $\gamma > 0$

Questions and future directions

- Can we understand the γ-Schwarzian theory from a quantum mechanical point of view? Is there an SYK-like model that exhibits these features? [T. Anous, J. Sonner; T. Mertens, J. Turiaci; J. Yoon; K. Jensen]
- What about the κ <0 solutions and the non-suppressed fluctuations? How can we make sense of this theory?
- Would it possible to get rid of the AdS part? [e.g.: poster by A. Rolph]
- Are there centaurs in higher dimensions?
- What is the relation between this construction and dS/CFT correspondence? Or the dS/dS correspondence?

Lots to explore...