

Non-linear gravity from entanglement in CFTs

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- **Part I: Introduction and results**
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Some questions

How does AdS/CFT work?



What characterizes holographic CFTs?



What characterizes states with a semi-classical gravity dual?

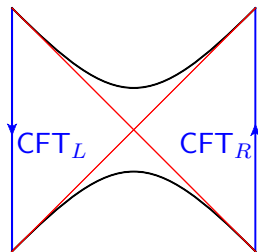


How does $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{local geometry} \\ \text{gravitational dynamics} \end{array} \right\}$ emerge from CFT data?

Geometry from entanglement

- AdS/CFT realizes **entanglement through connected spacetime**
- Example: Thermofield double *[Maldacena '01, van Raamsdonk '10]*

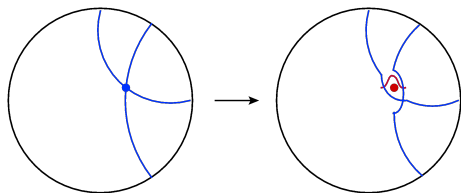
- ▶ CFT_R and CFT_L non-interacting
- ▶ ... but entangled!
- ▶ connected bulk (with horizon)



- ER=EPR *[Maldacena-Susskind '13]*
- Good way to quantify this: entanglement entropy *[RT '06, HRT '07]*
 - ▶ Bulk extremal surfaces probe connectedness

Gravity from entanglement

- So far: purely geometrical picture
- Perturbations of geometry \leftrightarrow perturbations of HRRT surfaces



- Consistent bulk perturbations satisfy Einstein equations
 - ▶ Can we **see the dynamics emerge** from consistency with the way entanglement entropy changes?

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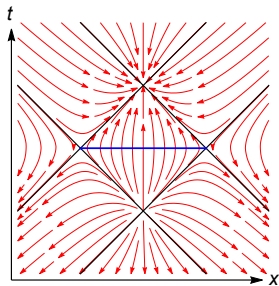
- Relative entropy:

$$\begin{aligned} S(\rho_A || \rho_A^{(0)}) &= \text{Tr} \left(\rho_A \log \rho_A - \rho_A \log \rho_A^{(0)} \right) \\ &= \Delta \langle H_A^{(0)} \rangle - \Delta S_A \\ &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- First law of entanglement: $\delta \langle H_A^{(0)} \rangle - \delta S_A = 0$
- In AdS/CFT:

$$S_A = \frac{\text{area}(\tilde{A})}{4G_N} \quad (\text{HRRT})$$

$$\delta \langle H_A^{(0)} \rangle = \int_A d\Sigma^\mu \delta \langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle \zeta_A^\nu \sim \int_A d\Sigma^\mu (\delta g_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{FG})}) \zeta_A^\nu$$



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- linearized Einstein equations \Leftrightarrow first law of entanglement

[Faulkner-Guica-Hartman-Myers-van Raamsdonk '13]

- ▶ Entanglement is realized geometrically
 - ▶ Small changes in entanglement structure are reflected by correct dynamics of the geometry
- Very nice, but: linearized Einstein equations are somewhat limited in really probing dynamics
 - ▶ No matter couplings/backreaction

Goal: Derive second order Einstein equations (incl. matter coupling) from perturbations of entanglement structure

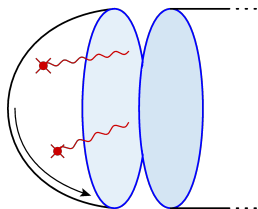
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- Consider CFT states $|\psi_\lambda(\varepsilon)\rangle$ created by Euclidean path integrals:

$$\langle \varphi_{(0)}(\mathbf{x}) | \psi_\lambda(\varepsilon) \rangle = \int^{\varphi(x_E^0=0)=\varphi_{(0)}} [D\varphi] e^{-\int_{-\infty}^0 dx_E^0 \int d^{d-1}\mathbf{x} (\mathcal{L}_{CFT} + \lambda(x;\varepsilon) \mathcal{O}(x))}$$

with $\lambda(x, \varepsilon) = \varepsilon \lambda(x) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$

- ▶ Euclidean sources $\lambda \Rightarrow$ initial state for Lorentzian evolution
- ▶ Sources vanish as $x_E^0 \rightarrow 0$
- ▶ Coherent excitations of bulk fields



- Leads to perturbations of entanglement entropy:

$$S_A = S_A^{(0)} + \varepsilon \delta S_A^{(1)} + \varepsilon^2 \delta S_A^{(2)} + \dots$$

- In holography, there will be a dual bulk perturbation theory:

$$g = g_{AdS}^{(0)} + \varepsilon \delta g^{(1)} + \varepsilon^2 \delta g^{(2)} + \dots$$

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Results

- (1) For any CFT in an EPI state $|\psi_\lambda(\varepsilon)\rangle$ there exists a bulk

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that computes S_A correctly up to $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$.

- (2) This geometry satisfies gravitational equations of motion up to $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$:

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- If $d \neq 4$, by “a” and “c” I mean:

$$S_A^{(0)} = a^* \times (\text{universal})$$

$$\langle T_{ab}(x) T_{cd}(y) \rangle = C_T \times (\text{universal})_{abcd}$$

Remarks (2)

- The result is very universal: **CFT need not be holographic**
- The bulk geometry is therefore **completely auxiliary** (c.f., [Faulkner '14])
- *If* the CFT is holographic, the construction will give an explicit mechanism for the emergence of local bulk dynamics
- How can this be true?
 - ▶ $\delta^{(2)}S(\rho_A || \rho_A^{(0)})$ only depends on very little CFT data: c and a
 - ★ Reason: ball-shaped A and $\rho = \text{vacuum}$ are very simple/symmetric
 - ▶ In this sense we are only probing/deriving a rather universal “sector” of AdS/CFT
 - ▶ Nevertheless interesting to see *how* bulk dynamics emerges: **entanglement is not just geometry, but also dynamics**

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- Consider (gravitational) Lagrangian $\mathbf{L}[\Phi] = \mathcal{L}[\Phi] \epsilon$:

$$\delta \mathbf{L} = - \underbrace{\mathbf{E}_\Phi}_{\text{equations of motion}} \delta \Phi + \underbrace{d\boldsymbol{\theta}(\Phi, \delta \Phi)}_{\text{presymplectic potential}}$$

$$\underbrace{\omega(\delta_1 \Phi, \delta_2 \Phi)}_{\text{symplectic current}} = \delta_1 \boldsymbol{\theta}(\Phi, \delta_2 \Phi) - \delta_2 \boldsymbol{\theta}(\Phi, \delta_1 \Phi)$$

- In gravity, *any* vector \mathbf{X} generates a symmetry \rightarrow Noether currents:

$$\mathbf{J}_X = \boldsymbol{\theta}(\Phi, \mathcal{L}_X \Phi) - \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{L}$$

$$d\mathbf{J}_X = 0 \quad (\text{on shell}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{J}_X = d\mathbf{Q}_X + \mathbf{C}$$

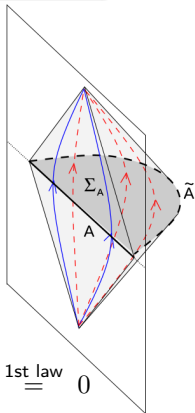
- Variation of \mathbf{J}_X yields:

$$\omega(\delta \Phi, \mathcal{L}_X \Phi) = d \underbrace{[\delta \mathbf{Q}_X - \mathbf{X} \cdot \boldsymbol{\theta}(\Phi, \delta \Phi)]}_{\equiv \boldsymbol{\chi}(\delta \Phi, \mathbf{X})} + \underbrace{\mathcal{G}(\Phi, \delta \Phi, \mathbf{X})}_{=0 \text{ if } \mathbf{E}_\Phi = \delta \mathbf{E}_\Phi = 0}$$

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- Consider setup for calculating S_A
 - ▶ Rindler boost generator: Killing vector ξ_A
 - ▶ Integrate (\star) over Σ_A , using $\Phi = g$ and $\mathbf{X} = \xi_A$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Sigma_A} \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{E}_g, \delta\mathbf{E}_g, \xi_A) &= \int_{\Sigma_A} \underbrace{[\omega(\delta g, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} g)]}_{=0} - d\chi(\delta g, \xi_A) \\ &= \int_{\tilde{A}} \chi(\delta g, \xi_A) - \int_A \chi(\delta g, \xi_A) \\ &= \frac{\delta[\text{area}(\tilde{A})]}{4G_N} - \delta E \stackrel{HRRT}{=} \delta S_{EE} - \delta\langle H_A \rangle \stackrel{\text{1st law}}{=} 0 \end{aligned}$$



- Since this holds for any slice Σ_A : $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{E}_g, \delta\mathbf{E}_g, \xi_A) = 0 \Rightarrow \delta\mathbf{E}_g = 0$

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 - ▶ Non-linear version of first law seems not useful: $S(\rho_A || \rho_A^{(0)}) \geq 0$
- [*Hollands-Wald '12*]: Can choose a gauge s.t. (\star) holds beyond $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$
- Ensure that geometry near \tilde{A} “looks the same” at $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$:
 - ▶ GNCs such that \tilde{A} has fixed location: $K|_{\tilde{A}} = 0$
 - ▶ ξ_A remains Killing near \tilde{A} : $\mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} g(\varepsilon)|_{\tilde{A}} = 0$
- Can now take another ε -derivative of (\star) :

$$\int_{\Sigma_A} \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{E}_g, \frac{d^2 \mathbf{E}_g}{d\varepsilon^2}) = \int_{\Sigma_A} \omega\left(\frac{dg}{d\varepsilon}, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} \frac{dg}{d\varepsilon}\right) - \frac{d^2}{d\varepsilon^2} \left[E_A^{grav} - \frac{\text{area}(\tilde{A})}{4G_N} \right]$$

Non-linear Einstein equations

$$\int_{\Sigma_A} \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{E}_g, \frac{d^2 \mathbf{E}_g}{d\varepsilon^2}) = \int_{\Sigma_A} \omega\left(\frac{dg}{d\varepsilon}, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} \frac{dg}{d\varepsilon}\right) - \frac{d^2}{d\varepsilon^2} \left[E_A^{grav} - \frac{\text{area}(\tilde{A})}{4G_N} \right]$$

- Via HRRT, we have

$$\frac{d^2}{d\varepsilon^2} \left[E_A^{grav} - \frac{\text{area}(\tilde{A})}{4G_N} \right] \stackrel{HRRT}{=} \frac{d^2}{d\varepsilon^2} \left[\langle H_A \rangle - S_A^{EE} \right]_{\varepsilon=0} \equiv \delta^{(2)} S(\rho_A || \rho_A^{(0)})$$

- Goal: do a **CFT calculation** to show that

$$\delta^{(2)} S(\rho_A || \rho_A^{(0)}) = \int_{\Sigma_A} \omega\left(\frac{dg}{d\varepsilon}, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} \frac{dg}{d\varepsilon}\right)$$

- ▶ Nonlinear equations of motion $\frac{d^2 \mathbf{E}_g}{d\varepsilon^2} |_{\varepsilon=0} = 0$ then follow
- ▶ I've only written metric perturbations. Scalar fields work exactly the same way. So we get $E_{(2)}^{ab} - \frac{1}{2} T_{(2)}^{ab} = 0$

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Conformal perturbation theory

- Second order relative entropy is a quadratic functional in $\delta\rho_A = \varepsilon \int d^d x \lambda(x) \rho_A^{(0)} \mathcal{O}(x) + O(\varepsilon^2)$, i.e., a **2-pt. function**:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^{(2)} S(\rho_A || \rho_A^{(0)}) &\equiv \frac{d^2}{d\varepsilon^2} \text{Tr} \left[\rho_A \log \rho_A - \rho_A \log \rho_A^{(0)} \right]_{\varepsilon=0} \\ &= - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{ds}{4 \sinh^2\left(\frac{s \pm i\varepsilon}{2}\right)} \text{Tr} \left[(\rho_A^{(0)})^{-1} \delta\rho_A (\rho_A^{(0)})^{\pm \frac{is}{2\pi}} \delta\rho_A (\rho_A^{(0)})^{\mp \frac{is}{2\pi}} \right] \\ &\sim \underbrace{\int d^d x_a d^d x_b \lambda(x_a) \lambda(x_b)}_{\text{smear Eucl. sources}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{ds^2 \langle \mathcal{O}(\tau_a, \vec{x}_a) \mathcal{O}(\tau_b + is, \vec{x}_b) \rangle}{\sinh^2\left(\frac{s + i\varepsilon \text{sgn}(\tau_a - \tau_b)}{2}\right)}}_{\text{Eucl. 2-pt. function pushed into real time}} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Modular evolution gives relative boost by “Schwinger parameter” s
- ▶ Offsets Euclidean correlator into real time: is

Two-point function from embedding space

- Introduce **auxiliary AdS-Rindler wedge**:

$$ds^2 = -(r_B^2 - 1)ds_B^2 + \frac{dr_B^2}{(r_B^2 - 1)} + r_B^2 dY_B^2$$

- Can write 2-pt. function as **asymptotic symplectic flux** evaluated on AdS_{d+1} bulk-boundary propagators:

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(\tau, Y_a) \mathcal{O}(is, Y_b) \rangle = \int_{r_B \rightarrow \infty} ds_B dY_B \omega(K_E(is_B, r_B, Y_B | \tau, Y_a), K_R(s_B, r_B, Y_B | s, Y_b))$$

$$K_E(is_B, r_B, Y_B | \tau, Y_a) \sim \frac{1}{2\Delta - d} \langle \mathcal{O}(\tau, Y_a) \mathcal{O}(is_B, Y_B) \rangle r_B^{-\Delta} + \dots \quad (r_B \rightarrow \infty)$$

$$K_R(s_B, r_B, Y_B | s, Y_b) \sim \delta(s_B - s) \delta^{d-1}(Y_B - Y_b) r_B^{-d+\Delta} + \dots \\ + \frac{1}{2\Delta - d} G_R(s_B, Y_B | s, Y_b) r_B^{-\Delta} + \dots \quad (r_B \rightarrow \infty)$$

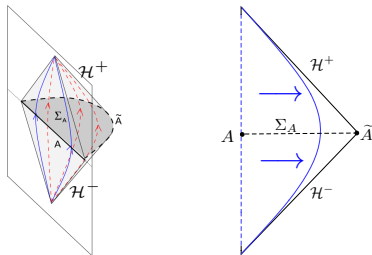
- ▶ Intuition: space of asymptotic solutions parametrized as $\omega \sim \delta q \wedge \delta p \sim \delta \phi_{(\Delta-d)} \wedge \delta \phi_{(-\Delta)}$

Symplectic flux

- Summary: relative entropy is

$$\delta^{(2)} S(\rho_A || \rho_A^{(0)}) \sim \int_{\text{bdry}(x_a)} \int_{\text{bdry}(x_b)} \lambda(x_a) \lambda(x_b) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{ds^2}{\sinh^2\left(\frac{s+i\epsilon \text{sgn}(\tau_a - \tau_b)}{2}\right)} \int_{\partial\text{AdS}} \omega(K_E, K_R)$$

- ω is conserved \Rightarrow can push the ∂AdS -integral to the horizon:



- Perform s -integral and get

$$\delta^{(2)} S(\rho_A || \rho_A^{(0)}) = \int_{\mathcal{H}^+} \omega(\delta\phi, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} \delta\phi)$$

with $\delta\phi(y) \sim \int_{\text{bdry}(x)} \lambda(x) K_E(y|x)$

Summary

- Gravitons ($\delta\phi \rightarrow \delta g_{ab}$) work similarly (a bit more subtle because of gauge choices...)
- CFT result:

$$\delta^{(2)}S(\rho_A||\rho_A^{(0)}) = \int_{\Sigma_A} \omega(\delta\phi, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} \delta\phi) + \int_{\Sigma_A} \omega(\delta g, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} \delta g)$$

with $\delta\phi(y) \sim \int_{\text{bdry}(x)} \lambda(x) K_E(y|x) \quad \text{etc.}$

- Hollands-Wald and HRRT tell us:

$$\delta^{(2)}S(\rho_A||\rho_A^{(0)}) = \int_{\Sigma_A} \omega(\delta\phi, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} \delta\phi) + \int_{\Sigma_A} \omega(\delta g, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} \delta g) + \int_{\Sigma_A} \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{E}, \frac{d^2\mathbf{E}}{d\varepsilon^2})$$

- Independence of $\Sigma_A \Rightarrow \frac{d^2\mathbf{E}}{d\varepsilon^2} = 0$

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Generalizations

- I have implicitly assumed “ $c = a$ ”: consistent with Einstein gravity
- If “ $c \neq a$ ”, consistency of AdS/CFT demands that our derivation shouldn't work
 - ▶ Indeed, using δg solving $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$ Einstein equations \Rightarrow CFT result ends up with wrong normalization
- **Higher curvature theories** of gravity can give $c \neq a$
- Idea: Use any $\mathbf{L} = \epsilon f(\text{Riem})$ with same c and a as CFT
 - ▶ Can now similarly derive equations of motion of \mathbf{L}

[JH-Hijano-Parrikar-Rabideau, w.i.p.]

- ▶ Subtlety: need to work with appropriate entanglement functional

$$\delta^{(2)} S_{\tilde{A}}^{(\text{EE})} = \delta^{(2)} S_A^{\text{Wald}} + \delta^{(2)} S_A^{\text{extr.}}$$

$$\delta^{(2)} S_A^{\text{extr.}} = \int_{\tilde{A}} \sqrt{\bar{g}} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial R_{+\alpha+\beta} \partial R_{-\gamma-\delta}} \delta K_{\alpha\beta}^+ \delta K_{\gamma\delta}^-$$

[Dong, Camps '13]

Deriving entanglement functional

- Gravity [*Hollands-Wald '12*] :

$$\left[\delta^{(2)} E_A^{grav,(L)} - \delta^{(2)} S_A^{Wald,(L)} \right] = \int_{\Sigma_A} \omega^{(L)} \left(\frac{dg}{d\varepsilon}, \mathcal{L}_{\xi_A} \frac{dg}{d\varepsilon} \right) - \int_{\Sigma_A} \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{E}_g^{(L)}, \frac{d^2 \mathbf{E}_g^{(L)}}{d\varepsilon^2})$$

- CFT [*FH-Hijano-Parrikar-Rabideau, w.i.p.*] :

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- HRRT:

$$\delta^{(2)} S(\rho_A || \rho_A^{(0)}) = \left[\delta^{(2)} E_A^{grav,(L)} - \delta^{(2)} S_{\tilde{A}}^{(EE)} \right]$$

- Can **assume** $\frac{d^2 \mathbf{E}_g^{(L)}}{d\varepsilon^2} = 0$ and solve these equations for $\delta^{(2)} S_{\tilde{A}}^{(EE)}$
 - ▶ New derivation of (perturbative) entanglement functional
 - ▶ No replica trick (as in [*Dong, Camps '13*])

Other generalizations

- Perturbations of other states
 - ▶ Done for linearized equations by *[Dong-Lewkowycz '17]*
- Higher orders: full Einstein equations encoded in CFT entanglement?
 - ▶ $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^3)$: dependence on
$$\langle TTT \rangle = a \times (\text{univ.})_1 + b \times (\text{univ.})_2 + c \times (\text{univ.})_3$$
 - ▶ $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^4)$: dependence on $\langle TTTT \rangle \rightarrow$ lots of OPE data! Should be very constraining
 - ▶ Note: basic gravitational identity of *[Hollands-Wald '12]* is already valid beyond 2nd order
- Quantum corrections?

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