

# Entanglement entropy in $\mathcal{W}$ -algebra CFTs and holography

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# Introduction and motivation

- The study of **dualities** between theories of **higher spin gravity** and **CFTs with extended symmetries** form an important theme in the context of the AdS/CFT correspondence.

[Klebanov-Polyakov '02, Sezgin-Sundell '02, Gaberdiel-Gopakumar '11]

- Higher spin theories have **considerably lesser number of fields** as compared to full-fledged string theories.
- At the same time, these theories go **beyond classical supergravity** and one can hope to capture features of **string theory in the tensionless limit**.
- CFTs dual to these higher-spin theories are **not strongly coupled** and are **reasonably tractable**.
- This enables us to learn a lot from both sides of the duality and understand holography at a deeper level.

# Introduction and motivation

- In the holographic context, another remarkable development is the evolution of **geometrical methods** for calculations of **entanglement entropy** (EE) in QFTs.
- Entanglement entropy is a **useful probe** in quantum information theory, QFT and many-body physics.
- Although EE is **typically difficult** to compute in a QFT – holography offers a simple and elegant route in terms of the **Ryu-Takayanagi formula**.
- It states that the EE of a subsystem  $A$  is given by the minimal surface in  $AdS$  that ends on the boundary of  $A$ .  
[Ryu-Takayanagi '06]
- A refined observable to study holography.

# Questions

- How does the entanglement entropy behave in CFTs with extended symmetries?
- Are there any universal results?

$$S_E = \frac{c}{6} \log \left| \frac{\beta}{\pi\epsilon} \sinh \left( \frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta} \right) \right| + ? + \dots$$

- What is the functional in the bulk higher spin theory which captures the entanglement entropy of its dual CFT?

# Entanglement entropy in free CFTs with $W$ -symmetries

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# Entanglement and Rényi entropies

- Consider a system (with subsystems  $A$  and  $B$ ) having a Hilbert space which can be written as  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$
- The entanglement entropy is

$$S_E = -\text{tr}_A \rho_A \log \rho_A$$

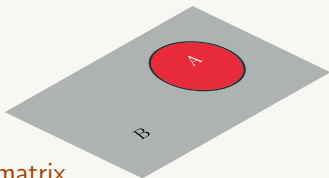
where  $\rho_A = \text{tr}_B(\rho)$  is the reduced density matrix.

[Bombelli-Koul-Lee-Sorkin '86]

- Rényi entropies are defined as

$$S_n = \frac{1}{1-n} \log \text{tr}_A \rho_A^n$$

It follows that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow 1} S_n = S_E$ .





# Entanglement and Rényi entropies

An example : A system of 2 spins

Consider the state  $|\Psi\rangle = \cos\theta |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + \sin\theta |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$

$$\text{Density matrix : } \rho = |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos^2\theta & \cos\theta\sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos\theta\sin\theta & \sin^2\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

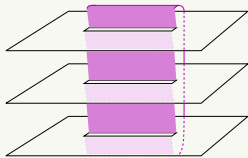
$$\text{Reduced density matrix : } \rho_A = \text{tr}_B(\rho) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2\theta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin^2\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

For  $|\text{EPR}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$  we have  $\theta = \pi/4$  and  $S_A = \log 2$ .

# Entanglement and Rényi entropies

Replica trick : Computing  $\text{tr} \rho_A^n$  by making  $n$  copies of the system and then sewing them together cyclically along the cuts which define the sub-system  $A$ .

[Hozley-Larsen-Wilczek '94; Cardy-Calabrese '04]



If the partition function on this orbifold or branched Riemann surface ( $\mathcal{R}_n = \mathbb{C}/\Gamma$ ) is denoted by  $Z_n$  then

$$\text{tr} \rho_A^n = \frac{Z_n(A)}{Z_1^n} \quad S_n = \frac{1}{1-n} \log \frac{Z_n}{Z_1^n}$$

One can then find the Rényi entropy  $S_n$  and then analytically continue it to  $n \rightarrow 1$  to obtain the entanglement entropy  $S_E$ .

# Rényi entropies and twist operators

Finding  $Z_n$  amounts to finding the partition function of  $n$ -copies of the QFT which has fields obeying certain cyclic conditions

$$\varphi_i(x, 0^+) = \varphi_{i+1}(x, 0^-) \text{ for } x \in [u, v]$$

These can be implemented what are known as twist operators.

The twist operators are generators of cyclic permutation symmetry of the orbifold.

The partition function on the orbifolded/branched surface can then be written as a correlation function of twist and anti-twist operators.

$$Z_n \propto \langle \mathcal{T}(u, 0) \bar{\mathcal{T}}(v, 0) \rangle$$

[Dixon-Friedan-Matinec-Shenker '87; Atick-Sen '87; Atick-Dixon-Griffin-Nemchansky '88; Saleur '88;..]

# Free fermion and free boson CFTs

- We shall now consider the **free fermion** and **free boson** CFTs in 1+1 dimensions **at finite temperature** ( $\beta$ ) – on the infinite cylinder  $\mathbb{R} \times S^1_\beta$ .
- These CFTs have an **infinite set of conserved currents** of increasing spin.
- We shall **deform the action** by turning on a **chemical potential** ( $\mu$ ) corresponding to a spin-3 current.

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \exp \left[ - \int d^2z (\mathcal{L} - \mu(W(z) + W(\bar{z}))) \right]$$

[Dijkgraaf '96, deBoer-Jottar '14]

- We shall then evaluate corrections to the known universal formula for EE perturbatively in  $\mu/\beta$ .

# Conformal perturbation theory

## Thermal entropy

The partition function of the deformed theory is given in **holomorphic conformal perturbation theory** as

$$Z = Z_{\text{CFT}}^{(0)} \left[ 1 - \mu \int d^2 z \langle W(z) \rangle_{\text{CFT}} + \frac{\mu^2}{2} \int d^2 z_1 \int d^2 z_2 \langle W(z_1) W(z_2) \rangle_{\text{CFT}} + \dots \right]$$

The **finite temperature correlators** can be obtained from those on the plane by **conformal transformation** –  $z = \frac{\beta}{2\pi} \log w$ .

$$\langle W(z_1) W(z_2) \rangle = \mathcal{N} \frac{\pi^6}{\beta^6 \sinh^6 \frac{\pi}{\beta} (z_1 - z_2)}$$

After performing the integrals, one gets

$$\frac{\log Z}{L} = \frac{\pi c}{6\beta} + \frac{8\pi^3 c}{9\beta^3} \mu^2 + \dots$$

which is a **corrected Cardy's formula** in presence of a spin-3 chemical potential. [Gaberdiel-Hartman-Jin '12; SD-David-Ferlino-Kumar '13; Long '14]

# Conformal perturbation theory

## Entanglement and Rényi entropies

The partition function  $Z_n$  on  $\mathcal{R}_n =$  correlation function of twist fields.

$$Z_n = \prod_k \langle \sigma_{k,n}(y_1, \bar{y}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{k,n}(y_2, \bar{y}_2) \rangle$$

When the deformation is turned on, this becomes

$$Z_n = \prod_k \langle \sigma_{k,n}(y_1, \bar{y}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{k,n}(y_2, \bar{y}_2) e^{-\mu \int d^2z W(z)} \rangle$$

$k$  is a label for the eigenfunctions and eigenvalues ( $e^{2\pi i k/n}$ ) of the twist operator.

Bosons :  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ . Fermions :  $k = -\frac{n-1}{2}, \dots, \frac{n-1}{2}$ .

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$$Z_n = \prod_k \left( \langle \sigma_{k,n}(1) \bar{\sigma}_{k,n}(2) \rangle - \mu \int d^2 z \langle \sigma_{k,n}(1) W(z) \bar{\sigma}_{k,n}(2) \rangle \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\mu^2}{2} \int d^2 z_1 \int d^2 z_2 \langle \sigma_{k,n}(1) W(z_1) W(z_2) \bar{\sigma}_{k,n}(2) \rangle + \dots \right)$$

We thus need to find correlation functions of twist-fields with insertions of the spin-3 operators.

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# Free fermions

- Consider  $N$  free massless complex fermions,  $\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}_a \not{\partial} \psi_a$ .
- This theory has conserved currents of  $s = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  the modes of which form a  $\mathcal{W}_{1+\infty}$  algebra.

[Pope-Romans-Shen '90, Bergshoeff-Pope-Romans-Sezgin-Shen '90]

## Bosonization

We shall work in the bosonized language in which the twist operators have an explicit field representation.

$$\psi^{k,a} = : e^{i\varphi} : \quad \bar{\psi}^{k,a} = : e^{-i\varphi} :$$

The twist operators are  $\sigma(z, \bar{z}) = \prod_a : e^{i\frac{k}{n} [\varphi_{a,k} - \bar{\varphi}_{a,k}]} :$

The spin-3 current is  $W = -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{6\pi} \sum_a : (\partial\varphi_a)^3 :$

It is a (3,0) primary in the  $J = 0$  sector.



# Free fermions

By Wick contractions, one can find the correlators  $\langle \sigma(1)W(z)\bar{\sigma}(2) \rangle$  and  $\langle \sigma(1)W(z_1)W(z_2)\bar{\sigma}(2) \rangle$ . We can then conformal transform them to the cylinder  $z_{\text{plane}} = e^{2\pi w_{\text{cyl}}/\beta}$ .

After performing the integrals, we have the following expressions.

## Rényi entropies

$$S_n(\Delta) = \frac{N(n+1)}{6n} \log \left| \frac{\beta}{\pi} \sinh \left( \frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta} \right) \right| + \frac{5N\mu^2}{6\pi^2} \left[ \frac{1+n}{4n} \mathcal{I}_1(\Delta) - \frac{(1+n)(7-3n^2)}{160n^3} \mathcal{I}_2(\Delta) \right]$$

## Entanglement entropy

$$S_E(\Delta) = \frac{N}{3} \log \left| \frac{\beta}{\pi} \sinh \left( \frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta} \right) \right| + \frac{5N\mu^2}{6\pi^2} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{I}_1(\Delta) - \frac{1}{20} \mathcal{I}_2(\Delta) \right] + \mathcal{O}(\mu^3)$$

These reduce to the thermal entropy in the extensive limit,  $\Delta \gg \beta$ .

# Integrals

The expressions for the integrals  $\mathcal{I}_1(\Delta, \beta)$  and  $\mathcal{I}_2(\Delta, \beta)$  are as follows

$$\mathcal{I}_1(\Delta) = \int d^2 z_1 \int d^2 z_2 H^4(z_1 - z_2) G(z_1) G(z_2)$$

$$\mathcal{I}_2(\Delta) = \int d^2 z_1 \int d^2 z_2 H^2(z_1 - z_2) G^2(z_1) G^2(z_2)$$

where

$$H(z) \equiv \frac{\pi}{\beta \sinh\left(\frac{\pi z}{\beta}\right)}, \quad G(z) \equiv \frac{\pi \sinh\left(\frac{\pi \Delta}{\beta}\right)}{\beta \sinh\left(\frac{\pi z}{\beta}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{\pi(z-\Delta)}{\beta}\right)}.$$

$$\mathcal{I}_1 = \frac{4\pi^4}{3\beta^2} \left( \frac{4\pi\Delta}{\beta} \coth\left(\frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta}\right) - 1 \right) + \frac{4\pi^4}{\beta^2 \sinh^2\left(\frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta}\right)} \left\{ \left( 1 - \frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta} \coth\left(\frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta}\right) \right)^2 - \left( \frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta} \right)^2 \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{I}_2 = \frac{8\pi^4}{\beta^2} \left( 5 - \frac{4\pi\Delta}{\beta} \coth\left(\frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta}\right) \right) + \frac{72\pi^4}{\beta^2 \sinh^2\left(\frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta}\right)} \left\{ \left( 1 - \frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta} \coth\left(\frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta}\right) \right)^2 - \frac{1}{9} \left( \frac{\pi\Delta}{\beta} \right)^2 \right\}$$

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- This theory has conserved currents of  $s = 2, 3, \dots$  the modes of which form a  $\mathcal{W}_\infty[1]$  algebra.

[Bakas-Kiritsis '90]

$$T(z) = -\partial\bar{X}_a\partial X_a \quad W(z) = \sqrt{\frac{5}{12\pi^2}}(\partial^2\bar{X}_a\partial X_a - \partial\bar{X}_a\partial^2 X_a)$$

### Twist operators?

The twist operators cannot be written explicitly in terms of free fields.

They are **abstractly known** in terms of **OPEs** only.

[Dixon-Friedan-Martinec-Shenker '87]

## Free bosons

We need to find the correlators  $\langle \sigma(1)W(z)\bar{\sigma}(2) \rangle$  and  $\langle \sigma(1)W(z_1)W(z_2)\bar{\sigma}(2) \rangle$ .

Consider the following Green's functions having insertions of pairs of  $\partial_z \bar{X}(z)\partial_w X(w)$

$$g(z, w; y_1) = \frac{\langle -\partial_z \bar{X}(z)\partial_w X(w)\bar{\sigma}_{k,n}(1)\sigma_{k,n}(2) \rangle}{\langle \bar{\sigma}_{k,n}(1)\sigma_{k,n}(2) \rangle}$$

$$f(z, w, z', w'; y_1) = \frac{\langle -\partial_z \bar{X}(z)\partial_w X(w)\partial_{z'} \bar{X}(z')\partial_{w'} X(w')\bar{\sigma}_{k,n}(1)\sigma_{k,n}(2) \rangle}{\langle \bar{\sigma}_{k,n}(1)\sigma_{k,n}(2) \rangle}$$

Investigating behaviours as  $z \rightarrow w, y_i$  and  $w \rightarrow y_i$ , the functions can be fixed completely.

We then need to take appropriate combinations of derivatives of these Green's functions to get the required correlators.

# Free bosons

After performing the integrals, one has

Rényi entropies

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**The expression for the correction to entanglement entropy matches exactly with that of free fermions.**

# Entanglement entropy in higher spin holography

# Higher spin gravity in 3d and entanglement entropy

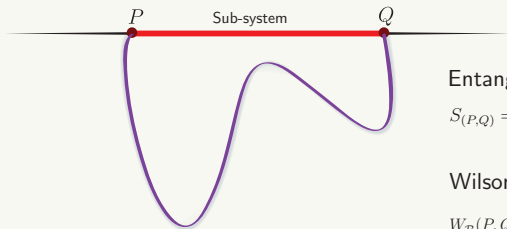
- It has emerged recently that CFTs with  $\mathcal{W}$ -symmetry are dual to higher spin theories of gravity in  $AdS_3$ .  
[Gaberdiel-Gopakumar '10]
- Higher spin gravity in 3 dimensions admits a simple description in terms of a Chern-Simons theory based on a gauge group ( $sl(N, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $hs[\lambda]$  etc.)  
[Blencowe '89; Prokushkin-Vasiliev '98, '99]
- Since these theories go beyond diffeomorphism invariance, one needs to rethink geometrical notions of black hole horizons and minimal surfaces.
- There exist explicit constructions of black holes and conical defects in this theory which are characterized in terms of holonomies.
- What is the quantity that generalizes the notion of the Ryu-Takayanagi minimal surfaces in a higher spin theory?



# Higher spin gravity in 3d and entanglement entropy

It has been proposed that **bulk observable** which captures EE is terms of a **Wilson line** anchored at the endpoints of the entangling interval.

[Ammon-Castro-Iqbal '13; deBoer-Jottar '13; Castro-Llabrés '14]



Entanglement entropy

$$S_{(P,Q)} = \frac{c}{\sigma_{\mathcal{R}}} \log \left[ \lim_{\rho_0 \rightarrow \infty} W_{\mathcal{R}}(P, Q) \Big|_{\rho_P = \rho_Q = \rho_0} \right]$$

Wilson line functional in the bulk

$$W_{\mathcal{R}}(P, Q) \equiv \text{tr}_{\mathcal{R}} \left[ \mathcal{P} \exp \left( \int_P^Q \bar{A}_{\bar{z}} \right) \mathcal{P} \exp \left( \int_Q^P A_z \right) \right]$$

# Higher spin gravity in 3d and entanglement entropy

- The bulk configuration at finite temperature and carrying a higher-spin charge is that of the **higher spin black hole**.  
[Gutperle-Kraus '11]
- We shall consider black holes in the simplest higher spin theory – based on the gauge group  $sl(3, \mathbb{R})$ .
- Confining our attention to the **BTZ-branch**, the EE is computed via the **Wilson line functional** to be

$$S_E = \frac{c}{3} \log \left| \frac{\pi}{\beta} \sinh \left( \frac{\pi \Delta}{\beta} \right) \right| + c \frac{\mu^2}{\beta^2} \left[ \frac{32\pi^2}{9} \left( \frac{\pi \Delta}{\beta} \right) \coth \left( \frac{\pi \Delta}{\beta} \right) - \frac{20\pi^2}{9} - \frac{4\pi^2}{3} \operatorname{csch}^2 \left( \frac{\pi \Delta}{\beta} \right) \left\{ \left( \frac{\pi \Delta}{\beta} \coth \left( \frac{\pi \Delta}{\beta} \right) - 1 \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\pi \Delta}{\beta} \right)^2 \right\} \right] + \mathcal{O}(\mu^4)$$

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**The first correction to the entanglement entropy is exactly the same as that of the free boson and free fermion theories!**

## Universality – a posteriori

Quite surprisingly, the entanglement entropy to  $\mathcal{O}(\mu^2)$  is exactly the same for two distinct free field theories and also from a holographic calculation.



Space of  $\mathcal{W}_\infty[\lambda]$  theories

Is this suggestive of an universal correction to higher spin entanglement entropy?

# Universality of higher-spin corrections to entanglement entropy

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# Correlators on the n-sheeted Riemann surface

- We had just seen that the calculation of the higher spin correction to EE is tantamount to computing one- and two-point functions 'in the **twisted sector**' –  $\langle \bar{\sigma}(y_1)W(z)\sigma(y_2) \rangle$  and  $\langle \bar{\sigma}(y_1)W(z_1)W(z_2)\sigma(y_2) \rangle$ .
- This is equivalent to finding the correlators on the **replica geometry** which is a **n-sheeted Riemann surface**  $\mathcal{R}_n$

$$\langle W(z) \rangle_{\mathcal{R}_n} = \frac{\langle 0 | \bar{\sigma}(y_1) W(z) \sigma(y_2) | 0 \rangle}{\langle 0 | \bar{\sigma}(y_1) \sigma(y_2) | 0 \rangle}$$
$$\langle W(z_1) W(z_2) \rangle_{\mathcal{R}_n} = \frac{\langle 0 | \bar{\sigma}(y_1) W(z_1) W(z_2) \sigma(y_2) | 0 \rangle}{\langle 0 | \bar{\sigma}(y_1) \sigma(y_2) | 0 \rangle}$$

- Can we try to find such multi-sheeted correlators in the  $\mathcal{W}_\infty[\lambda]$  theory  $\forall \lambda$ ?

# Correlators on the n-sheeted Riemann surface

By **conformal invariance** the required correlator can be expressed as

$$\langle \bar{\sigma}(y_1, \bar{y}_1) W(z_1) W(z_2) \sigma(y_2, \bar{y}_2) \rangle = -\frac{5c/6\pi^2}{(z_{12})^6} \frac{1}{|y_{12}|^{2d_n}} F(x)$$

Here  $x = \frac{(z_1 - y_2)(z_2 - y_1)}{(z_1 - y_1)(z_2 - y_2)}$ , which is the **conformal cross-ratio**.

$d_n = \frac{c}{12}(n - \frac{1}{n})$  is the dimension of the twist operator.

## Properties of $F(x)$

- Invariance under exchanges  $z_1 \leftrightarrow z_2$  and  $y_1 \leftrightarrow y_2$  :  $F(x) = F(1/x)$ .
- $W(z_1)W(z_2)$  OPE  $z_1 \rightarrow z_2$  :  $F(x \rightarrow 1) = 1$ .
- $W$  approaching a twist  $z_1 \rightarrow y_{1,2}$  or  $z_2 \rightarrow y_{1,2}$  :  $F(x \rightarrow \infty) \sim x^M$  and  $F(x \rightarrow 0) \sim x^{-M}$ . (next slide)

## Correlators on the $n$ -sheeted Riemann surface

The value of  $M$  is constrained by the OPE of the spin-3 current with the twist

$$W(z)\sigma_n(y) \sim \frac{1}{(z-y)^M} \sigma_n^{(\text{ex})}(y) + \dots$$

The excited twists have dimension greater than  $d_n$ . Thus,  $M < 3$  by dimensional analysis.

Also, there shouldn't be any branch cuts because  $W = \sum_i W_i$  is invariant under the action of twists. This forces  $M = 2$ .

These requirements specify  $F(x)$  to be

$$F(x) \equiv F(\eta) = 1 + f_1\eta + f_2\eta^2$$

$\eta$  is the symmetrized cross ratio given by

$$\eta \equiv x + \frac{1}{x} - 2 = \frac{(z_1 - z_2)^2 (y_1 - y_2)^2}{(z_1 - y_1)(z_1 - y_2)(z_2 - y_1)(z_2 - y_2)}$$



## Correlators and $\mathcal{W}_\infty[\lambda]$ OPEs

The unknown coefficients  $f_{1,2}$  can be determined by comparing the behaviour of the 4-point correlator  $\langle \bar{\sigma}(y_1, \bar{y}_1) W(z_1) W(z_2) \sigma(y_2, \bar{y}_2) \rangle$  in the  $z_1 \rightarrow z_2$  limit with OPEs of the  $\mathcal{W}_\infty[\lambda]$  algebra.

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# The uniformization transformation

There exists a **uniformization transformation** which maps the entire  $n$ -sheeted Riemann surface  $\mathcal{R}_n$  to the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ .

$$w_{\text{plane}} = \left( \frac{z - y_2}{z - y_1} \right)^{1/n}$$

[Cardy-Calabrese '09]

The **one-point functions** of the operators on  $\mathcal{R}_n$  which appear in the OPEs can be found by using the conformal transformation above.

*Example* : The one-point function of the stress tensor.

$$T(z) = w'(z)^2 T(w) + \frac{c}{12} \{w, z\}$$

The non-vanishing contribution is only from the **Schwarzian derivative**.

$$\langle T(z) \rangle_{\mathcal{R}_n} = \frac{c}{24} \frac{(n^2 - 1)}{n^2} \frac{\Delta^2}{(z - y_1)^2 (z - y_2)^2}$$

Other **composite operators**  $\langle \Lambda^{(4)} \rangle = \langle :TT: - \frac{3}{10} \partial^2 T \rangle$  can also be found by point-splittings.

## Fixing the correlator

We can fix the correlator  $\langle \bar{\sigma}(y_1, \bar{y}_1) W(z_1) W(z_2) \sigma(y_2, \bar{y}_2) \rangle$  by comparing

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Just the  $\mathcal{W}_3$  subalgebra  
contributes!

with

the Laurent series expansion in  $(z_1 - z_2)$  of

$$\langle W(z_1) W(z_2) \rangle = \frac{\langle \bar{\sigma}(y_1, \bar{y}_1) W(z_1) W(z_2) \sigma(y_2, \bar{y}_2) \rangle}{\langle \bar{\sigma}(y_1, \bar{y}_1) \sigma(y_2, \bar{y}_2) \rangle} = -\frac{5c/6\pi^2}{(z_{12})^6} (1 + f_1 \eta + f_2 \eta^2)$$

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with

$$f_1 = \frac{n^2 - 1}{4n^2} \quad f_2 = \frac{(n^2 - 1)^2}{120n^4} - \frac{(n^2 - 1)}{40n^4}$$

This is true for a CFT with a  $\mathcal{W}_\infty[\lambda]$  symmetry for any  $\lambda$ .  
(Also, matches with the correlator for the free boson CFT calculated earlier.)

One can also perform the **same exercise** using the OPEs of the  $\mathcal{W}_{1+\infty}$  CFT and see that it does **match** with that of the **free fermions**.

*Consistency check* : This method of evaluating  $\langle T(z_1)T(z_2) \rangle_{\mathcal{R}_n}$  agrees with the expression for the same calculated from Ward identities.

# Universality of the correlation function

- We have proved that the correlator  $\langle W(z_1)W(z_2) \rangle$  on the  $n$ -sheeted Riemann surface  $\mathcal{R}_n$  is **universal** for a  $\mathcal{W}_\infty[\lambda]$  CFT.
- In order to get **finite temperature correlators**, we conformal transform to the **cylinder**  $\mathbb{R} \times S^1_\beta$ .
- One needs to compute the **integrals** of this two point function to obtain the correction to the partition function on the replica geometry.
- This implies that the  $\mathcal{O}(\mu^2)$  **correction to the entanglement/Renyi entropy is universal**.
- The results are true for **all** values of the central charge.
- The methods employed here **can be used more generally** to study **deformations** of CFTs by holomorphic operators.

# Relative entropy in higher-spin holography

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**Relative entropy in higher spin holography**

[arXiv:1406.0520].

# Relative entropy

## Definition and properties

- **Relative entropy** is a measure of **distinguishability** of two states for a quantum system.
- For two **density matrices**  $\sigma$  and  $\rho$ , the relative entropy is defined as

$$\mathcal{S}(\sigma||\rho) = \text{tr}(\sigma \log \sigma) - \text{tr}(\sigma \log \rho)$$

- Properties

1. Non-negativity :  $\mathcal{S}(\sigma||\rho) \geq 0$ .
2. Invariance under unitary trans :  $\mathcal{S}(\sigma||\rho) = \mathcal{S}(U^\dagger \sigma U || U^\dagger \rho U)$ .
3. Monotonicity under partial traces :  $\mathcal{S}(\sigma||\rho) \geq \mathcal{S}(\text{tr}_P \sigma || \text{tr}_P \rho)$
4. Additivity :  $\mathcal{S}(\sigma_A \otimes \sigma_B || \rho) = \mathcal{S}(\sigma_A || \rho) + \mathcal{S}(\sigma_B || \rho)$

[Vedral '02]



# Relative entropy

Relationship with the modular Hamiltonian and entanglement entropy

For a given (reduced) density matrix, the modular Hamiltonian is defined as

$$\rho = \frac{e^{-H}}{\text{tr}(e^{-H})}$$

It can then be shown that the relative entropy is

$$S(\sigma||\rho) = \Delta\langle H \rangle - \Delta S$$

The relative entropy vanishes in the limit of small sub-system sizes

$$\lim_{\frac{\dim(A)}{\dim(A')} \rightarrow 0} (\Delta\langle H_A \rangle - \Delta S_A) = 0 \quad \implies \quad \Delta\langle H \rangle = \Delta S$$

The first law of entanglement

[Blanco-Casini-Hung-Myers '13]

# Relative entropy in a $\mathcal{W}$ -algebra CFT and its holographic dual

- We shall try to calculate the relative entropy between a high temperature state and the vacuum in a CFT with  $\mathcal{W}$  symmetries in presence of a chemical potential for the spin-3 current.

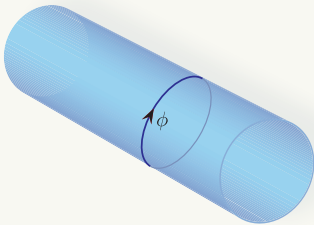
The CFT is at large central charge and on a finite system of size  $R$  and the high temperature state is at temperature  $T$ .

- As we had seen earlier such a CFT is describable in terms of higher-spin gravity.
- It is possible to calculate  $\langle H_A \rangle$  from the holographic stress tensor. The EE ( $S_A$ ) is also calculable in terms of Wilson lines.
- We shall try to verify  $\Delta \langle H_A \rangle = \Delta S$  in the short distance regime.

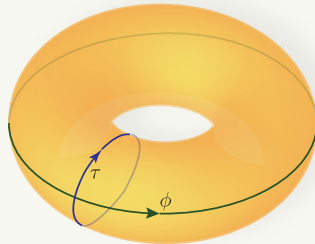
# The bulk configurations

The gravity configurations dual to the vacuum and high temperature state of the CFT are the **higher spin vacuum** and **black hole** respectively.

[Gutperle-Kraus '11; Kraus-Perlmutter '11; Castro-Gopakumar-Gutperle-Raeymaekers '11; Li-Lin-Wang '13; Compere-Jottar-Song '13; Chowdhury-Saha '13]



Vacuum



High temperature state

The **higher spin vacuum** is a higher spin generalization of **global AdS**. It has trivial holonomy along the spatial  $\phi$  cycle.

The **higher spin black hole** generalizes the **BTZ**. Its temporal cycle  $\tau$  has trivial holonomy.

# Modular Hamiltonians in CFT

The modular Hamiltonian is not a local quantity in general. However, there exist special cases where it is local and calculable.

[Casini-Huerta-Myers '11]

The modular Hamiltonian associated with the vacuum in a 1+1 d CFT is

$$H_{\text{vac}} = 2\pi R^2 \int_{-\frac{\phi}{2}}^{\frac{\phi}{2}} d\theta \frac{\cos \theta - \cos \frac{\phi}{2}}{\sin \frac{\phi}{2}} T_{00}(\theta)$$

Here,  $T_{00} = (L_0 - \frac{c}{24}) + (\bar{L}_0 - \frac{c}{24})$ . These can be obtained from the holographic stress tensor for specific states.

[Balasubramanian-Kraus '99, de Haro-Solodukhin-Skenderis '00]

# Modular Hamiltonian from holographic stress tensor

The **stress tensors** corresponding to the hs-vacuum and the hs-black hole can be obtained by solving **holonomy conditions**.

When a higher spin chemical potential is turned on perturbatively, the  $\mathcal{W}_3 \times \mathcal{W}_3$  asymptotic symmetry is unbroken.

[Compere-Song '13; Compere-Jottar-Song '13; deBoer-Jottar '14]

The **expectation values** of the modular Hamiltonian are therefore

$$\langle H \rangle_{\text{state}} = \text{tr}(\rho_{\text{state}} H_{\text{vac}}) = 8\pi R^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{\phi}{2} \cot\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right) \right] \mathcal{L}_{\text{state}}$$

where,

$$\mathcal{L}_T = \frac{c\pi T^2}{12} \left[ 1 + \frac{80(\pi\mu T)^2}{3} + \frac{2560(\pi\mu T)^4}{3} + \frac{905216(\pi\mu T)^6}{27} + \dots \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{vac}} = -\frac{c}{48\pi R^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{20}{3} \left(\frac{\mu}{R}\right)^2 + \frac{160}{3} \left(\frac{\mu}{R}\right)^4 - \frac{14144}{27} \left(\frac{\mu}{R}\right)^6 + \dots \right]$$

The difference  $\Delta\langle H \rangle$  can then be calculated.

# Holographic entanglement entropy

The EEs – computed via Wilson lines – corresponding to higher spin black holes and the vacuum in the  $sl(3)$  theory are

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_T(\phi) = & \frac{c}{3} \log \left| \frac{\sinh(\pi RT\phi)}{\Lambda^{-1} \pi T} \right| \\
 & + \frac{c}{18} (\pi\mu T)^2 \operatorname{csch}^4(\pi RT\phi) \left[ 8 (1 - 3\pi^2 R^2 T^2 \phi^2) \cosh(2\pi RT\phi) \right. \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad + 8\pi RT\phi (\sinh(2\pi RT\phi) + \sinh(4\pi RT\phi)) \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. - 5 \cosh(4\pi RT\phi) - 3 \right] + \mathcal{O}((\pi\mu T)^4)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{\text{vac}}(\phi) = & \frac{c}{3} \log \left| \frac{2R}{\Lambda^{-1}} \sin\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right) \right| \\
 & + \frac{c}{72} \left(\frac{\mu}{R}\right)^2 \operatorname{csc}^4\left(\frac{\phi}{2}\right) \left[ 3 - 2(3\phi^2 + 4) \cos(\phi) + 4\phi(\sin(\phi) + \sin(2\phi)) \right. \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. + 5 \cos(2\phi) \right] + \mathcal{O}((\mu/R)^4)
 \end{aligned}$$

One can systematically keep track of terms to higher orders.

# Relative entropy in holographic CFTs with a $\mathcal{W}$ -symmetry

We can now employ the **thermodynamic-like relation** to calculate the relative entropy between the **high-temp** state and the **vacuum**.

$$\mathcal{S}(\rho_T || \rho_{\text{vac}}) = (\langle H \rangle_T - \langle H \rangle_{\text{vac}}) - (S_T - S_{\text{vac}})$$

We shall focus on the **small-subsystem size regime** where we expect  $\Delta \langle H \rangle = \Delta S$ .

# Relative entropy in holographic CFTs with a $\mathcal{W}$ -symmetry

The following can then be established via holographic computations.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta S \Big|_{\text{to } \phi^2} &= \Delta H \Big|_{\text{to } \phi^2} \\ &= c \phi^2 \left[ \frac{((\ell T)^2 + 1)}{72} + \frac{5((\ell T)^4 - 1)}{54} \frac{\mu^2}{R^2} + \frac{20((\ell T)^6 + 1)}{27} \frac{\mu^4}{R^4} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1768((\ell T)^8 - 1)}{243} \frac{\mu^6}{R^6} + \frac{57664((\ell T)^{10} + 1)}{729} \frac{\mu^8}{R^8} + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

*At the leading order in entangling interval sizes,  $\Delta H = \Delta S$  in a large- $c$  CFT with a  $\mathcal{W}_3$  symmetry at finite higher spin chemical potential. ( $\ell = 2\pi R$ )*

If the  $AdS$  is considered as the ultimate vacuum,  $\Delta\langle H \rangle = \Delta S$  can be verified for that case as well.



# Relative entropy in holographic CFTs with a $\mathcal{W}$ -symmetry

## Comments

- We have verified the **first law of entanglement** holographically – in the regime of short intervals and at finite chemical potential for a higher spin current.
- This ensures the vanishing of the relative entropy which is **expected to be true for any quantum mechanical system**.
- The relative entropy in  $(1+1)d$  is **independent of the UV cut-off**. It's a **refined observable** in this sense.
- We have also **probed the short-distance behaviour** of the holographic EE and seen that it has the **desired behaviour**.
- All this **lends strong support** in favour of the **holomorphic-Wilson line functional** as the bulk observable which captures entanglement entropy.

# Summary & Outlook

## To summarize ...

- We have evaluated the entanglement entropy in CFTs with  $\mathcal{W}$ -symmetries deformed by a chemical potential for a higher-spin current.
- Computations were initially done using free field theories which have a higher-spin symmetry algebra.
- The first correction due to non-zero chemical potential is universal. This was proved using OPEs and uniformization techniques.
- This universality was also confirmed by the Wilson line functional for holographic entanglement entropy.
- We also investigated relative entropy in this context. We found from holography that it has the expected behaviour in the short distance regime.

# Ongoing work

- Analysing entropies of free fields on the torus with chemical potentials (modular forms, elliptic functions ...).
- How can the replica trick/uniformization be realized in the dual Chern-Simons language?

**Thank you.**

# Backup slides

## A bit about $\mathcal{W}$ algebra CFTs

- The symmetry algebra of 1+1-dimensional CFTs is that of two copies of the **Virasoro algebra**. This symmetry is **infinite-dimensional**.  
[Belavin-Polyakov-Zamolodchikov '84]
- One may consider studying **higher-spin extensions** of the Virasoro algebra –  $\mathcal{W}_N$  algebras. [Zamolodchikov '85]

These non-trivial extensions play a role in analysis and classification of CFTs and also appear as scaling limits of  $\mathbb{Z}_N$  lattice models.

These are also the symmetries of coset-WZW models, massless free fermions/bosons, RCFTs etc.

# A bit about $\mathcal{W}$ algebra CFTs

## Example

The commutation relations for the  $\mathcal{W}_3$  algebra are

$$[L_n, L_m] = (n - m)L_{n+m} + \frac{c}{12}n(n^2 - 1)\delta_{n+m,0} \quad (\text{Virasoro sub-algebra})$$

$$[L_n, W_m] = (2n - m)W_{n+m}$$

$$[W_n, W_m] = (n - m) \left[ \frac{1}{15}(n + m + 2)(n + m + 3) - \frac{1}{6}(n + 2)(m + 2) \right] L_{n+m} \\ + \frac{16}{5c + 22}(n - m)\Lambda_{n+m}^{(4)} + \frac{c}{360}n(n^2 - 4)(n^2 - 1)\delta_{n+m,0}$$

The global part at  $c \rightarrow \infty$  or the **wedge subalgebra** is that of  $sl(3, \mathbb{R})$ .

$W_m$  are Laurent modes of the (3,0) primary operator.

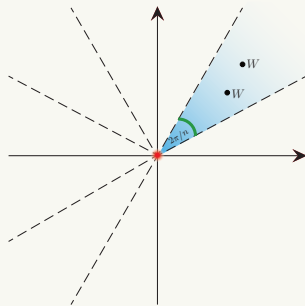


# Method of images

The correlator  $\langle WW \rangle$  on  $\mathcal{R}_n$  can also be obtained by **direct conformal transformation** of the 2-point function on the plane.

Upon the uniformization transformation  $w_p = \left( \frac{z-y_2}{z-y_1} \right)^{1/n} e^{2\pi i p/n}$ , the  $p$ th replica gets mapped to a **sector** on the complex plane.

This is another **well-known way of performing from the replica trick** by introducing a **conical singularity** at the origin.



We then need to **sum over the images** since  $W = \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} W_p$ .

It can be seen that the same answer for  $\langle W(z_1)W(z_2) \rangle_{\mathcal{R}_n}$  is reproduced.

[Long '14]

# Regularization prescription

- We indeed encounter **improper integrals** while doing conformal perturbation theory.
- A **principal value prescription** is chosen to regulate these integrals

$$\int_0^{i\beta} d\tau_2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\sigma_2 \int_0^{i\beta} d\tau_1 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\sigma_1 \langle W(z_1)W(z_2) \rangle$$

- The spatial integrals are then performed first

$$\int_0^{i\beta} d\tau_2 \left( \int_0^{\tau_2 - \epsilon} + \int_{\tau_2 + \epsilon}^{i\beta} \right) d\tau_1 \langle Q(\tau_1)Q(\tau_2) \rangle \rightarrow \beta^2 \langle Q^2 \rangle$$

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## A thermodynamic relation for relative entropy

$$\begin{aligned} S(\sigma||\rho) &= \text{tr}(\sigma \ln \sigma) - \text{tr}(\sigma \ln \rho) \\ &= \text{tr}(\sigma \ln \sigma) - \text{tr}(\rho \ln \rho) + \text{tr}(\rho \ln \rho) - \text{tr}(\sigma \ln \rho) \\ &= -S_\sigma + S_\rho - \text{tr}(\rho H_\rho) + \text{tr}(\sigma H_\rho) \\ &= \left( \langle H \rangle_\sigma - \langle H \rangle_\rho \right) - (S_\sigma - S_\rho) \\ &= \Delta \langle H \rangle - \Delta S \end{aligned}$$