

# Capacity of Entanglement in Field Theory and Holography

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# Opening remarks

- Capacity of Entanglement:

- ✓ is a quantum information theoretic counterpart of heat capacity!
- ✓ was employed to describe topologically ordered states in CMP
- ✓ may give an accidental entanglement  $c$ -function
- ✓ gives some information about the possible holographic dual
- ✓ ...

# Plan of the talk

## 1 Entanglement in QM and QFT

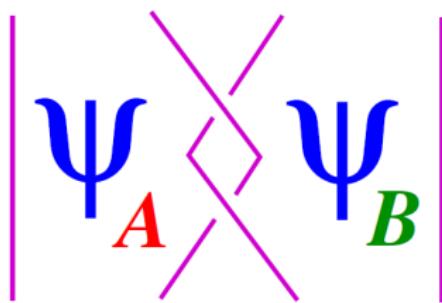
- Definition and Properties
- Entanglement Measures

## 2 Holographic Entanglement

## 3 CoE in Lifshitz QFTs

- Lifshitz Harmonic Models (LHM)
- Entanglement in Lifshitz Scalar Theory
- Entanglement c-functions

## Entanglement in QM and QFT



## (Pure) Entangled states

- Consider two quantum systems, i.e.,  $A$  and  $B$

$$\mathcal{H}_A, \quad |i\rangle, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \mathcal{H}_B, \quad |a\rangle, \quad a = 1, \dots, m$$

- Construct  $M$  using the **tensor product** of  $A$  and  $B$

$$\mathcal{H}_M = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B, \quad |i\rangle \otimes |a\rangle \equiv |i, a\rangle$$

- Separable states**

$$|\chi\rangle_{\mathcal{H}_M} = |\psi\rangle_{\mathcal{H}_A} \otimes |\phi\rangle_{\mathcal{H}_B}$$

- (Pure) **Entangled states**

$$|\chi\rangle_{\mathcal{H}_M} \neq |\psi\rangle_{\mathcal{H}_A} \otimes |\phi\rangle_{\mathcal{H}_B}$$

# Example: Spin 1/2 Particles

- Separable states

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi_1\rangle &= |\uparrow_A\rangle \otimes |\downarrow_B\rangle \\ |\Psi_2\rangle &= |\downarrow_A\rangle \otimes |\uparrow_B\rangle \end{aligned}$$

- Entangled states

$$|\Psi_3\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow_A\rangle \otimes |\downarrow_B\rangle \pm |\downarrow_A\rangle \otimes |\uparrow_B\rangle)$$

## Challenge

Entanglement Measures!

Entanglement entropy, Mutual information, ...

### Definition and Properties

## Reduced Density Matrix

- Consider the density matrix for a pure system  $M = A \cup B$

$$\rho_M = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$$

- Definition of reduced density matrix for  $A$

$$\rho_A \equiv \text{Tr}_B(\rho_M)$$

- For any  $O_A \in A$

$$\langle O_A \rangle = \text{Tr}_A(\rho_A O_A)$$

# Example: Spin 1/2 Particles

- Separable states

$$|\Psi_1\rangle = |\uparrow_A \downarrow_B\rangle \rightarrow \rho_A^{(1)} = |\uparrow_A\rangle\langle\uparrow_A| \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|\Psi_2\rangle = |\downarrow_A \uparrow_B\rangle \rightarrow \rho_A^{(2)} = |\downarrow_A\rangle\langle\downarrow_A| \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Entangled states

$$|\Psi_3\rangle = \frac{|\Psi_1\rangle \pm |\Psi_2\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \rightarrow \rho_A = \frac{\rho_A^{(1)} + \rho_A^{(2)}}{2} \sim \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Entanglement Entropy (EE)

- von-Neumann entropy for  $\rho_A$

$$S_A \equiv -\text{Tr}_A (\rho_A \log \rho_A)$$

- Example:

$$|\Psi_1\rangle \text{ and } |\Psi_2\rangle, \quad S_A = 0$$

$$|\Psi_3\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\Psi_1\rangle \pm |\Psi_2\rangle), \quad S_A = \log 2$$

# Entanglement Entropy (EE)

## • Properties

❶ EE corresponds to a **non-linear** operator in QM.

❷ When  $A \cup B$  is **pure**  $S(A) = S(B)$

❸ Subadditivity  $S(A) + S(B) \geq S(A \cup B)$

❹ Strong subadditivity

$$S(A) + S(B) \geq S(A \cup B) + S(A \cap B)$$

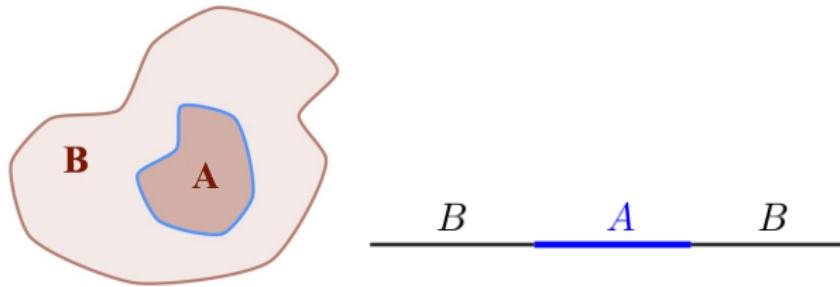
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## Challenge

Generalization to QFT (Continuum Limit)?

# Geometric entropy

- Consider a **local**  $d$ -dimensional QFT on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{M}^{(d-1)}$
- Divide  $\mathcal{M}^{(d-1)}$  into two parts



- Locality** implies  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$

$$S_A = -\text{Tr}_A (\rho_A \log \rho_A)$$

# Properties of EE in QFTs

- Infinite number of DOFs in QFT → Divergent EE
- In  $d - 1$  spatial dimensions we should have for any QFT

$$S_A \propto \frac{\mathcal{S}_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}} + \dots + \frac{\mathcal{S}_1}{\epsilon} + \mathcal{S}_{\text{univ.}} \log \epsilon + \mathcal{S}_0$$

$\epsilon$  : Lattice constant (UV cutoff $^{-1}$ )

$\mathcal{S}_{d-2}$ : Area of the entangling surface

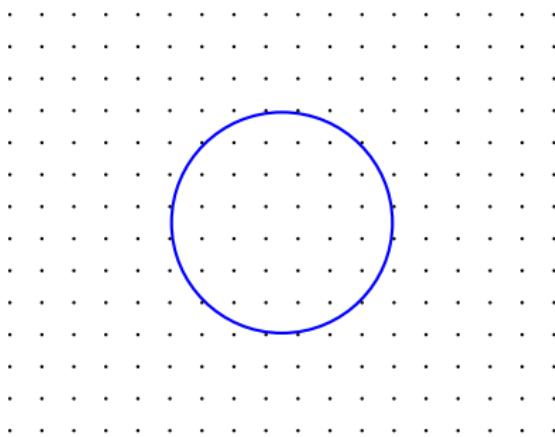
$\mathcal{S}_{\text{univ.}}$ : Universal coefficient

$\mathcal{S}_0$ : Finite part

# Area Law

$$S_A \propto \frac{S_{d-2}}{\epsilon^{d-2}} + \dots$$

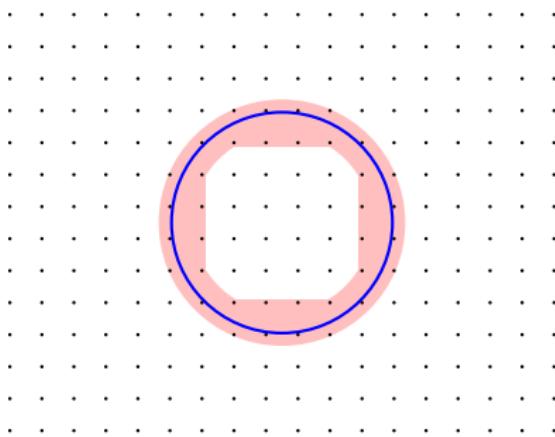
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## Entanglement Measures

## Replica trick

$$S_A = -\text{Tr}_A (\rho_A \log \rho_A)$$

- Taking the **logarithm** of  $\rho_A$  is very complicated!
- Renyi Entropy

$$S_A^{(n)} = \frac{1}{1-n} \log \text{Tr}_A (\rho_A^n)$$

- Replica Trick

$$S_A = \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} S_A^{(n)}$$

[Bombelli-Koul-Lee-Sorkin '86, Callan-Wilczek '94]

# ✓ Modular Hamiltonian ( $K_A$ )

- $\rho_A$  is both hermitian and positive semidefinite

$$\rho_A = e^{-K_A} \quad K_A : \text{Modular Hamiltonian}$$

(Similar to  $\rho = e^{-\beta H}!$ )

- Generically  $K_A$  is not a local operator!
- The expectation value of  $K_A$ :

$$S_A = \langle K_A \rangle$$

# ✓ Capacity of Entanglement (Modular Fluctuations)

- The variance of  $K_A$ :

$$C_A = \langle K_A^2 \rangle - \langle K_A \rangle^2$$

- $C_A$  contains information about the width of the eigenvalue distribution of  $\rho_A$

$$C_A \equiv \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} C_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} n^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial n^2} \left( (1-n) S_A^{(n)} \right)$$

H. Yao and X. L. Qi, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2010)

- Modular Entropy

$$\tilde{S}_A \equiv n^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \left( \frac{n-1}{n} S_A^{(n)} \right)$$

$$C_n = - \frac{\partial \tilde{S}_A}{\partial n}$$

# ✓ Capacity of Entanglement $C_A$

## Statistical Mechanics

Inverse Temperature  $T^{-1} \equiv \beta$

Hamiltonian  $H$

Part. Func.  $Z = \text{Tr } e^{-\beta H}$

Energy  $E = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \log Z$

Free Energy  $F = \frac{-1}{\beta} \log Z$

Thermal Entropy  $S_{\text{th.}} = \beta^2 \frac{\partial F}{\partial \beta}$

Thermal Capacity  $C_{\text{th.}} = -\beta \frac{\partial S_{\text{th.}}}{\partial \beta}$

## Quantum Information

Replica Index  $n \equiv \beta$

Modular Hamiltonian  $K_A$

Replica Part. Func.  $Z = \text{Tr } e^{-n K_A}$

Replica Energy  $E = -\frac{\partial}{\partial n} \log Z$

Replica Free Energy  $F = \frac{-1}{n} \log Z$

Modular Entropy  $\tilde{S}_A = n^2 \frac{\partial F}{\partial n}$

CoE  $C_A = -n \frac{\partial \tilde{S}_A}{\partial n}$

...

...

# ✓ Capacity of Entanglement $C_A$

Renyi entropy inequalities  $\leftrightarrow$  Stability of the thermal system

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \left( \frac{n-1}{n} S_A^{(n)} \right) \geq 0 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \left( (n-1) S_A^{(n)} \right) \geq 0 \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial n^2} \left( (n-1) S_A^{(n)} \right) \geq 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{S}_A(n) \geq 0 \\ E(n) \geq 0 \\ C_A(n) \geq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

[Nakaguchi & Nishioka, JHEP 2016]

# ✓ Capacity of Entanglement $C_A$

- For finite dimensional Hilbert spaces ( $\text{Dim}\mathcal{H} = D$ ):

$$S_A \leq S_{\max.} = \log N$$

$$C_A \leq C_{\max.} \sim \frac{S_{\max.}^2}{4}$$

- For maximally mixed states ( $\rho = \frac{1}{D}\mathbb{I}$ ):

$$S_A = \log D$$

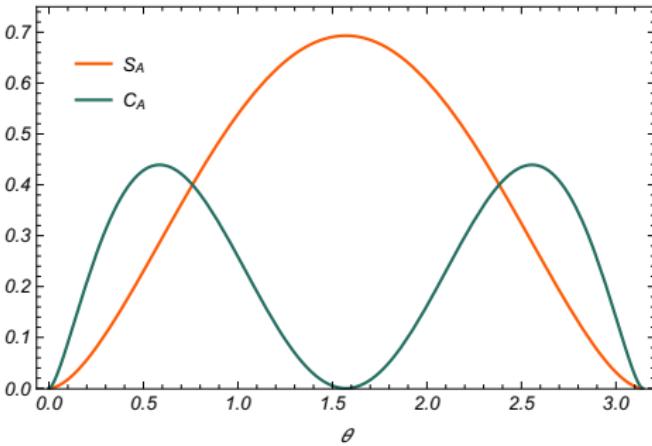
$$C_A = 0$$

$$C_A \ll S_A$$

# ✓ Capacity of Entanglement $C_A$

- Two-qubit systems:

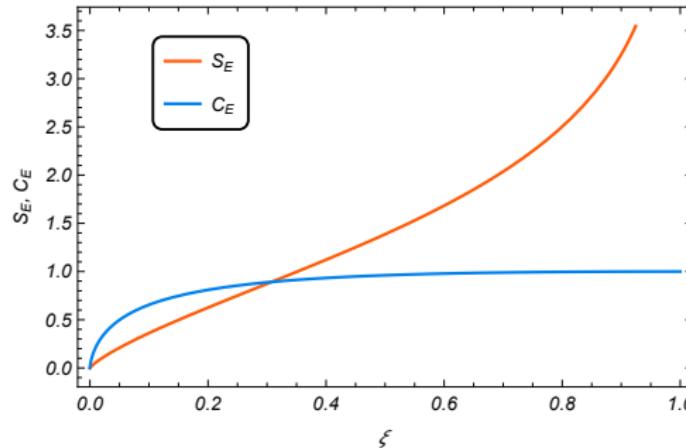
$$|\psi\rangle = \cos \frac{\theta}{2} |10\rangle + e^{i\phi} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} |01\rangle$$



# ✓ Capacity of Entanglement $C_A$

- Two coupled harmonic oscillators in vacuum state:

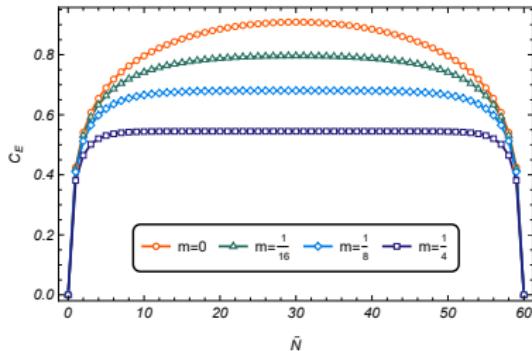
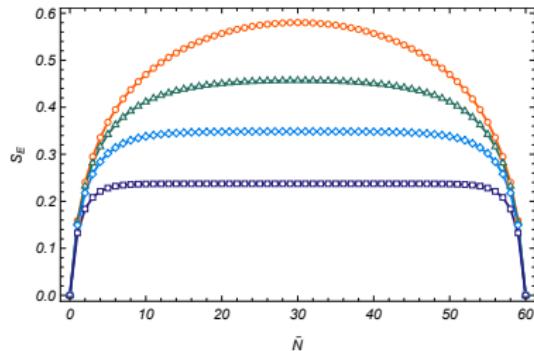
$$H = \frac{p_1^2}{2} + \frac{p_2^2}{2} + \frac{k_0}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2) + \frac{k_1}{2}(x_1 - x_2)^2, \quad \xi = \xi \left( \frac{k_1}{k_0} \right)$$



- $\frac{C_A}{S_A} \ll 1$  in  $\xi \rightarrow 1$  corresponds to strong coupling limit

# ✓ Capacity of Entanglement $C_A$

- A lattice of oscillators in vacuum state:



# ✓ Capacity of Entanglement $C_A$

- In  $2d$  CFTs: static states, single interval

$$C_A = S_A = \frac{c}{6}W_A + \mathcal{O}(1)$$

$$W_A = \begin{cases} 2 \log \frac{\ell}{\epsilon}, & T = 0, L \rightarrow \infty \\ 2 \log \left( \frac{L}{\pi \epsilon} \sin \frac{\pi \ell}{L} \right), & T = 0, L \neq \infty \\ 2 \log \left( \frac{\beta}{\pi \epsilon} \sin \frac{\pi \ell}{\beta} \right), & T \neq 0, L \neq \infty \end{cases}$$

# ✓ Capacity of Entanglement $C_A$

- In 2d Free Massive Models: static states, single interval
- Real Scalars

$$S_A = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\ell}{\epsilon} + \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\log m\ell}{\log m\epsilon} + \dots$$

$$C_A = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\ell}{\epsilon} + \dots$$

- Dirac Fermions

$$C_A = S_A = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\ell}{\epsilon} - \frac{c}{6} (\ell \log \ell)^2 + \dots$$

## Challenges

- ① Extension to higher dimensions and general shapes
- ② Investigating the role of symmetry
- ③ Turning on non-trivial interactions
- ④ ...

Holography may help us to overcome these problems



## Holographic Entanglement



# Maldacena's Conjecture

- Strongly coupled CFT<sub>d</sub>  $\sim$  Classical gravity in AAdS<sub>d+1</sub>

$$\log \mathcal{Z}_{\text{CFT}_d} \sim \log \mathcal{Z}_{\text{AdS}_{d+1}}$$

- Dictionary

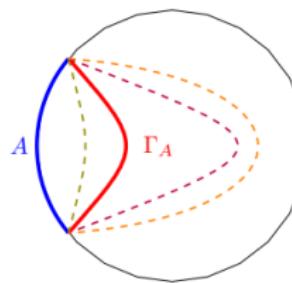
CFT <sub>d</sub>	AdS <sub>d+1</sub>
$\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{J}_\mu, \mathcal{T}_{\mu\nu}$	$\phi, A_\mu, g_{\mu\nu}$
Energy scale	Radial coordinate
$T \neq 0, S \neq 0$	Black-hole
...	...
$\rho_A$	?
$S_A$	?
$C_A$	?



# Gravity Dual of Entanglement Entropy

- Einstein Gravity:  $I_{\text{bulk}} = I_{\text{EH}} + I_{\Lambda} + I_{\text{matters}}$

$$S_A = \min \left( \frac{\text{Area}(\Gamma_A)}{4G_N} \right)$$



- Properties of the **RT surface**:
- ①  $\partial\Gamma_A = \partial A$
  - ②  $\Gamma_A$  is a codimension-2 spacelike hypersurface
  - ③  $\Gamma_A$  is homologous to  $A$  (homology constraint)



# Gravity Dual of Modular Entropy

- Einstein Gravity:  $I_{\text{bulk}} = I_{\text{EH}} + I_{\Lambda} + I_{\text{matters}} + \textcolor{red}{I}_{\text{brane}}$

$$I_{\text{brane}} = T_n \mathcal{A}_{\text{brane}} \quad T_n = \frac{1}{4G_N} \frac{n-1}{n}$$

$$\tilde{S}_A = \min \left( \frac{\text{Area}(\tilde{\Gamma}_A)}{4G_N} \right)$$

- $n$  quantifies the strength of the backreaction!
- Properties of the **Dong surface**:

①  $\partial\tilde{\Gamma}_A = \partial A$

② ...



# Gravity Dual of $C_E$

- Einstein Gravity:  $I_{\text{bulk}} = I_{\text{EH}} + I_{\Lambda} + I_{\text{matters}} + \textcolor{red}{I}_{\text{brane}}$

$$C_A = \frac{1}{64G_N^2} \int d^{d-1}\sigma \sqrt{h(\sigma)} \int d^{d-1}\sigma' \sqrt{h(\sigma')} h^{ij} G_{ij;kl} h^{kl}$$

- $h_{ij}$ : induced metric on the brane
- $G_{ij;kl}$ : graviton propagator

[Nakaguchi & Nishioka, JHEP 2016]

# Gravity Dual of $CoE$

- In holographic duals of Einstein gravity:  $C_A = S_A$
- In Gauss-Bonnet gravity ( $d = 4$ ):  $C_A \propto c, \quad S_A \propto a$



# Further directions

## Some achievements/extensions related to CoE

- $C_E$  as a diagnostic of the quantum phase transitions
- $C_E$  as an (accidental) entropic c-function
- $C_E$  and quench dynamics
- $C_E$  in excited states
- $C_E$  in non-local theories
- Symmetry-resolved CoE
- $C_E$  in non-relativistic theories
- Flat entanglement spectrum  $\leftrightarrow$  fixed-area states
- ...

## CoE in Lifshitz QFTs

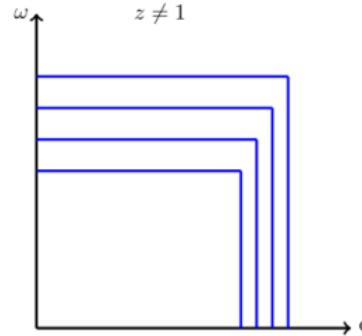
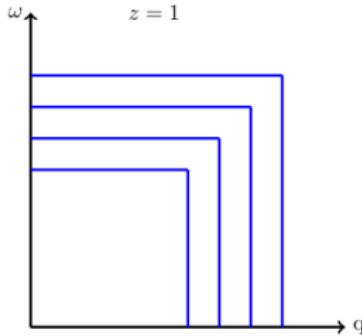
# Lifshitz symmetry

- Anisotropic scaling invariance

$t \rightarrow \lambda^z t, \quad \vec{x} \rightarrow \lambda \vec{x}, \quad z : \text{Dynamical critical exponent}$

[E. M. Lifshitz 1941]

- Different scaling dimension  $\rightarrow$  Different RG rate



[J. A. Hertz 1976]

## Free Massless Scalar Theory

## Lorentz vs. Lifshitz

	Lorentz	Lifshitz
Lagrangian	$\frac{1}{2} \left( \dot{\phi}^2 - (\partial_i \phi)^2 \right)$	$\frac{1}{2} \left( \dot{\phi}^2 - (\partial_i^z \phi)^2 \right)$
Mass Dimensions	$[t] = -1, [\phi] = \frac{d-1}{2}$	$[t] = -z, [\phi] = \frac{d-z}{2}$
Dispersion Relation	$\omega = k$	$\omega = k^z$
Group Velocity	$v_g = 1$	$v_g = z k^{z-1}$

# Lifshitz-type QFT on a (1+1)d Square Lattice

✓ Harmonic lattice:

- Free Scalar Theory

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \int dx \left[ \dot{\phi}^2 + (\partial\phi)^2 + m^2\phi^2 \right]$$

- System of  $N$  Harmonic Oscillators

$$H = \sum_{n=0}^N \left[ \frac{1}{2}p_n^2 + \frac{1}{2} (q_n - q_{n-1})^2 + \frac{m^2}{2}q_n^2 \right]$$

Nearest Neighbor Interaction

- Dispersion Relation

$$\omega_k = \sqrt{m^2 + k^2} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \omega_k = \sqrt{m^2 + (2 \sin \frac{\pi k}{N})^2}$$

# Lifshitz-type QFT on a Square Lattice

✓ Lifshitz harmonic lattice:

- Lifshitz-type scalar theory

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \int dx \left[ \dot{\phi}^2 + (\partial^z \phi)^2 + m^{2z} \phi^2 \right]$$

- Discretization on a Square Lattice

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^N \left[ \frac{p_n^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{k=0}^z (-1)^{z+k} \binom{z}{k} q_{n-1+k} \right)^2 + \frac{m^{2z}}{2} q_n^2 \right]$$

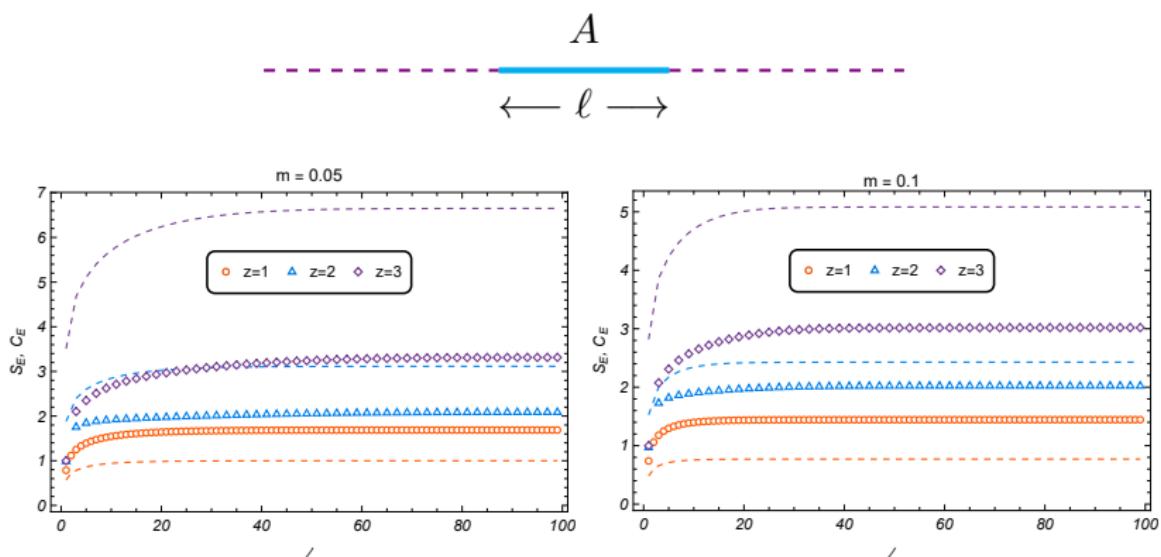
Long Range Interaction (depending on  $z$ )

- Dispersion Relation

$$\omega_k = \sqrt{m^{2z} + k^{2z}} \quad \rightarrow \quad \omega_k = \sqrt{m^{2z} + (2 \sin \frac{\pi k}{N})^{2z}}$$

[MM, Mollabashi 1705.00483-1712.03731; He, Magan and Vandoren, 1705.01147]

# Entanglement in Lifshitz Scalar Theory

CoE for Massive Scalar ( $1 + 1$ -dimensions)

[Khoshdooni, Babaei, MM, 2025]

✓ Measures increases while  $z$  is increased!

[MM, Mollabashi 1705.00483-1712.03731; He, et.al., 1705.01147]

# Results

- Kinetic Term in Hamiltonian  $(\partial_i^z \phi)^2$
- Discretize Hamiltonian on a Lattice

$$z = 1 \quad \{\phi_{i+1}, \phi_i, \phi_{i-1}\} \in \mathcal{H}$$

$$z = 2 \quad \{\phi_{i+2}, \phi_{i+1}, \phi_i, \phi_{i-1}, \phi_{i-2}\} \in \mathcal{H}$$

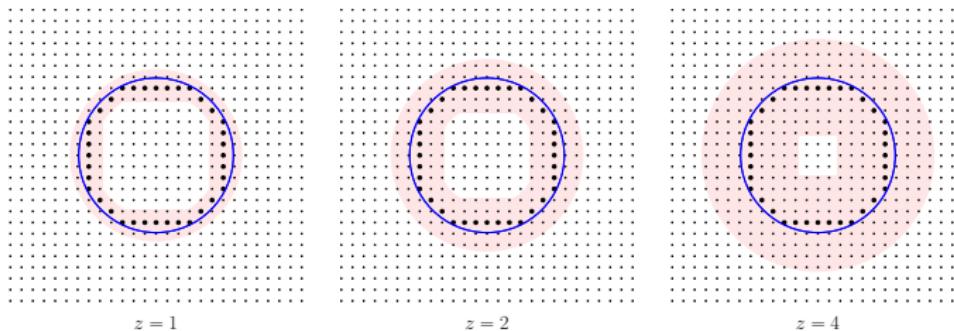
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$$z \quad \{\phi_{i+z}, \phi_{i+z-1}, \phi_{i+z-2}, \dots, \phi_{i-z+2}, \phi_{i-z+1}, \phi_{i-z}\} \in \mathcal{H}$$

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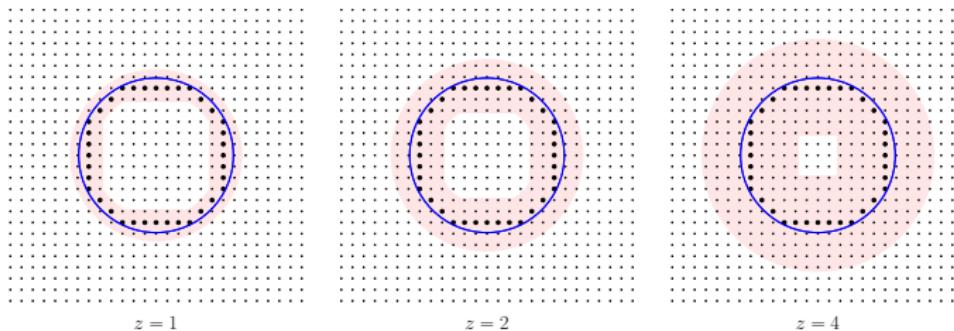
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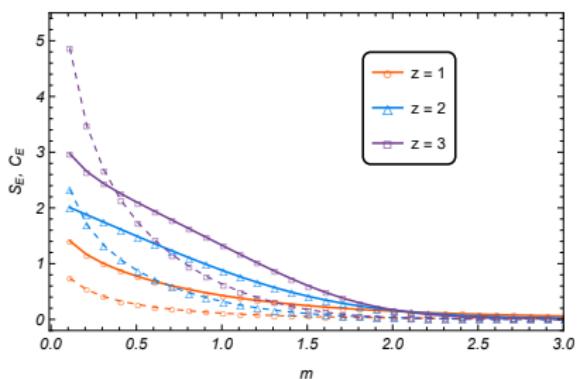
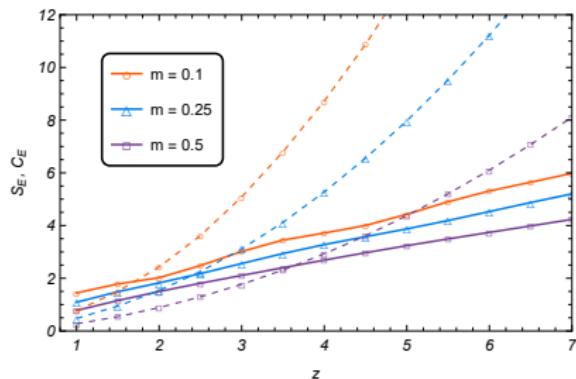
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Non-local effects due to the nontrivial  $z$

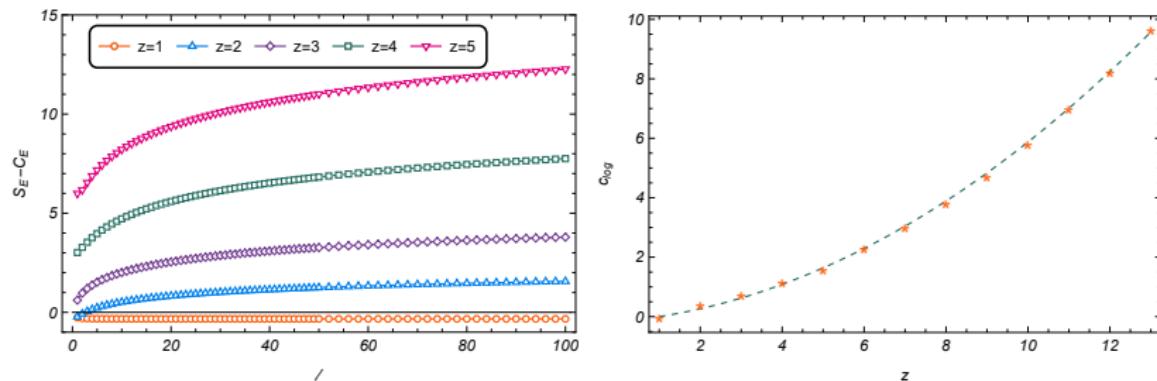
CoE for Massive Scalar ( $1 + 1$ -dimensions)

✓  $z \gg 1 \rightarrow C_E \ll S_E$ :  $\rho_A$  becomes maximally mixed!

[Khoshdooni, Babaei, MM, 2025]

CoE for Massless Scalar ( $1 + 1$ -dimensions)

- ✓ Dirichlet boundary condition ( $m = 0$ )



- ✓  $S_E - C_E \sim c_{\log} \log \frac{\ell}{\epsilon} + c_0 \quad c_{\log} \propto (z - 1)$

[Khoshdooni, Babaei, MM, 2025]

Zamolodchikov's *c*-theorem in 2d

✓  $\exists C(g_i) > 0$  such that:

- $C$  is monotonically decreasing under RG flow

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial M} < 0$$

- fixed points of the flow are critical points of  $C$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial g_i} \Big|_{g_i=g_i^*} = 0$$

- the fixed point value of this function is the central charge

$$C(g_i^*) = c$$

# Casini and Huerta's (entropic) $c$ -theorem

- Strong subadditivity + Lorentz invariance (in  $2d$ ):

$$C(\ell) = \ell \frac{\partial S(\ell)}{\partial \ell}$$

$$C'(\ell) = \ell \frac{\partial^2 S(\ell)}{\partial \ell^2} + \frac{\partial S(\ell)}{\partial \ell} < 0$$

$$\checkmark C_{\text{CFT}}(\ell) = \frac{c}{3} \quad S(\ell) = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\ell}{\epsilon}$$

- Similar approach in  $3d$  gives the  $F$ -theorem  $S(\ell) = \alpha \frac{\ell}{\epsilon} - F$

[Casini & Huerta 2004, 2012; Liu & Mezei 2012]

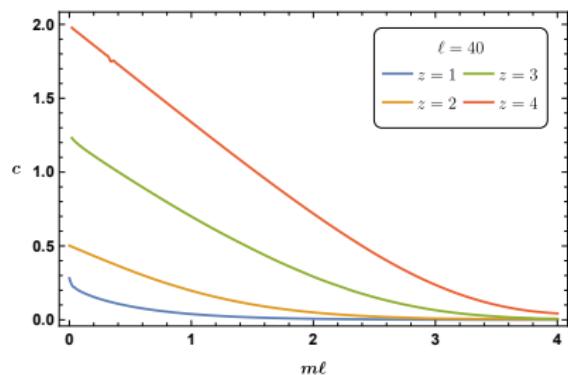
- $F$ -theorem can also derived in terms of mutual information

[Casini, Huerta & Myers 2015]

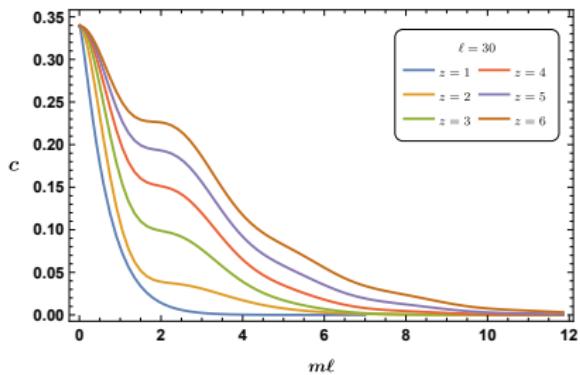
## Non-relativistic RG flow

- Non-relativistic  $c$ -theorem!

Boson



Fermion



[Vasli, Babaei, MM & Mollabashi 2024]

Entanglement *c*-functions

## CoE and Non-relativistic RG flow

- Other entanglement based *c* functions!

$$c_S = \ell \frac{\partial S_A}{\partial \ell} \qquad c_C = \ell \frac{\partial C_A}{\partial \ell} \qquad c_M = \ell \frac{\partial M_A}{\partial \ell}$$

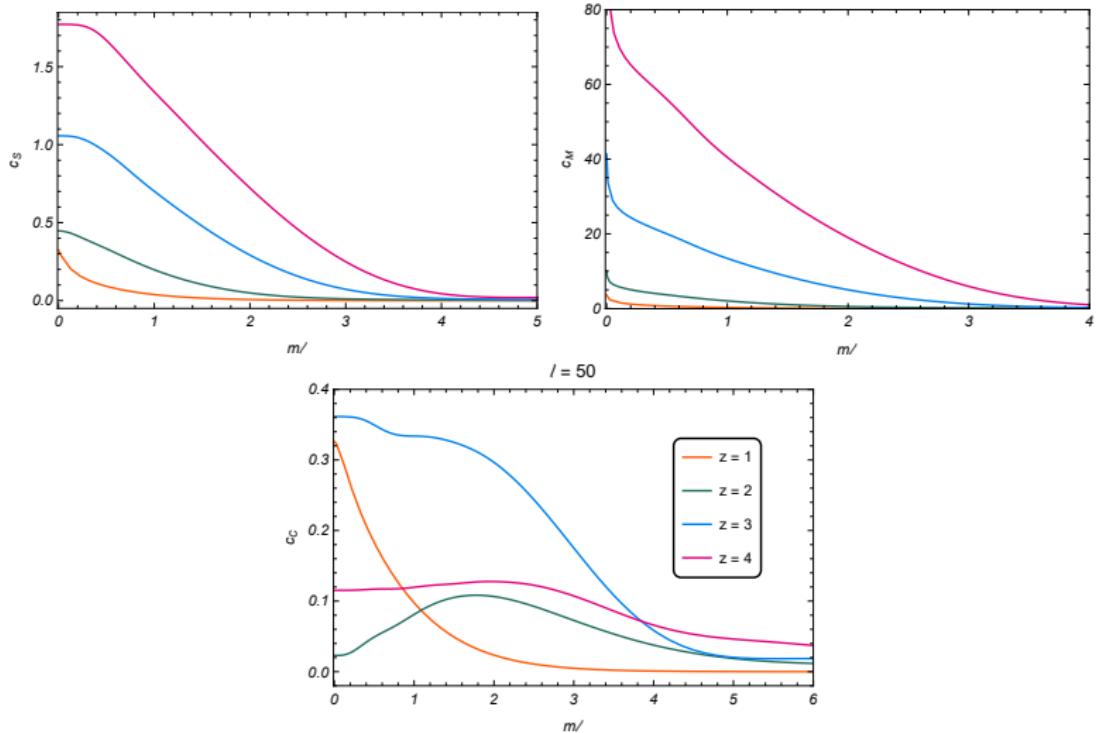
✓  $M_A = \langle (1 + K_A)^2 \rangle = C_A + (S_A + 1)^2$

- Majorization & Schur concave measures

$$\rho \succ \sigma \longrightarrow \begin{cases} S(\rho) \leq S(\sigma), \\ M(\rho) \leq M(\sigma), \\ C(\rho) ? C(\sigma), \end{cases}$$

[Boes, Ng & Wilming, PRX Quantum (2022)]

# Entanglement Measures and Non-relativistic RG flow



## Entanglement Measures and Non-relativistic RG flow

Scalar Field			
	$S_A$	$C_A$	$M_A$
SSA	✓	✗	✗
Schur concavity	✓	✗	✓
Monotonic <i>c</i> -function ( $z = 1$ )	✓	✓	✓
Monotonic <i>c</i> -function ( $z > 1$ )	✓	✗	✓

## Entanglement c-functions

## Further directions

- $C_E$  as a diagnostic of the quantum phase transitions
- $C_E$  and quench dynamics
- $C_E$  in excited states
- Symmetry-resolved CoE
- Flat entanglement spectrum  $\leftrightarrow$  fixed-area states
- Magical QFTs and non-flatness of entanglement spectrum
- ...

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Entanglement c-functions

# HEE

Backup slides

## Entanglement c-functions

## Different Notions of EE in QFT

- Different Hilbert space decompositions lead to different types of EE

- ➊ Field space entanglement entropy

[Yamazaki '13]

- ➋ Momentum space entanglement entropy

[Balasubramanian-McDermott-Van Raamsdonk '11]

- ➌ Geometric (Entanglement) entropy

[Bombelli-Koul-Lee-Sorkin '86, Srednicki '93, Callan-Wilczek '94]

## Entanglement c-functions

## HRT Proposal

- Properties of the co-dimension two **HRT surface**:

- ①  $\partial\Gamma_A = \partial A$
- ② A surface with vanishing expansions of null geodesics
- ③ A saddle point of the proper area functional

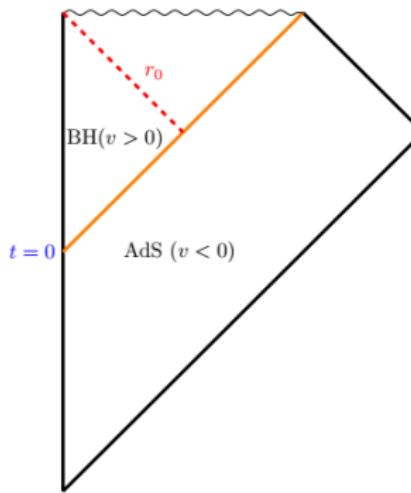
- Some properties of **HRT prescription**:

- ① Obeys strong subadditivity of HEE
- ② Obeys monogamy of mutual information

Time evolution of HEE in quenched holographic systems!

# HRT Proposal

- Quench process corresponds to black hole formation
- Vaidya geometry describes the collapse of a shell of matter



- Early time: Pure AdS

Late time: AdS Black-brane

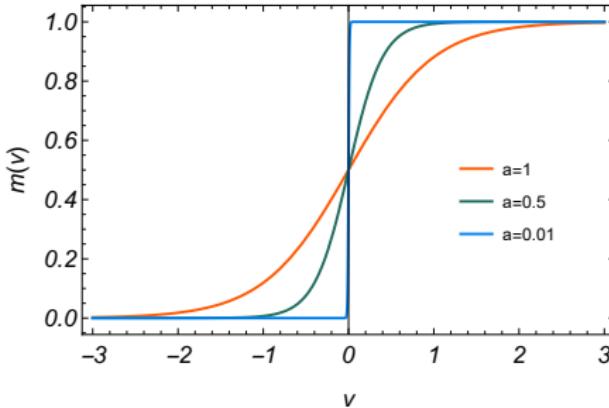
## Entanglement c-functions

## HRT Proposal

- A holographic set-up dual to a **global quench**

$$ds^2 = \frac{L^2}{r^2} \left( -f(r, v) dv^2 - 2drdv + d\vec{x}^2 \right), \quad dv = dt - \frac{dr}{f}$$

$$f(r, v) = 1 - m(v)r^d \quad m(v) = \frac{m}{2} \left( 1 + \tanh \frac{v}{a} \right)$$



## Entanglement c-functions

## HRT Proposal

- Example Quantum quench in CFT<sub>2</sub>



- profile of the HRT surface:  $r = r(x)$  and  $v = v(x)$
- Area functional

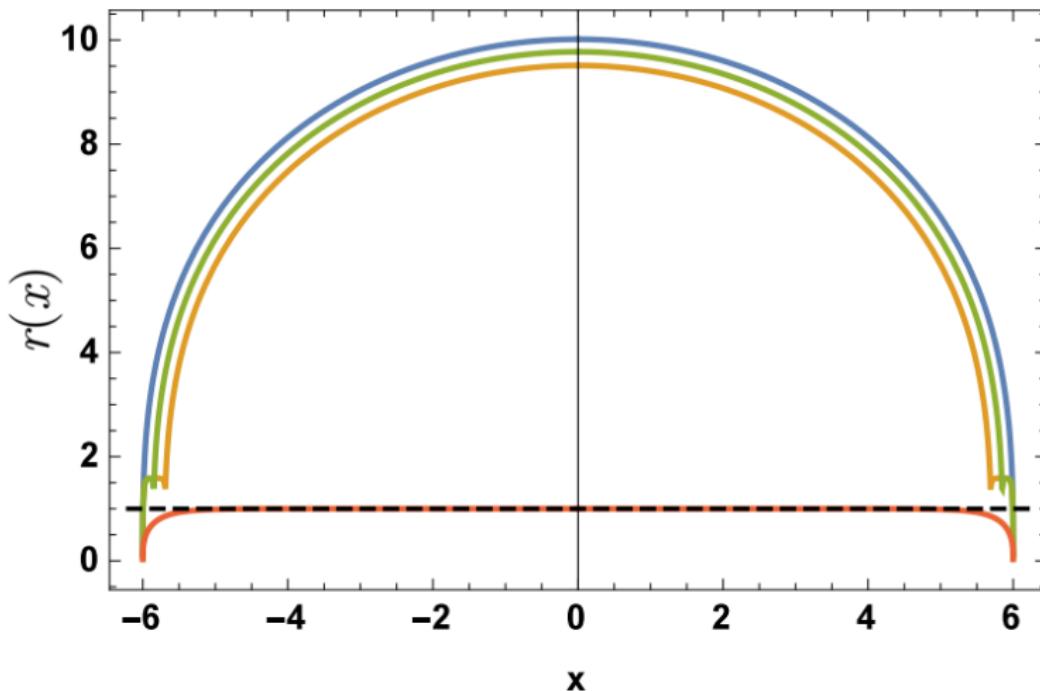
$$\mathcal{A} = \int \frac{dx}{r} \sqrt{1 - 2v'r' - v'^2 f(r, v)} dr$$

- Boundary conditions  $r(\pm \frac{\ell}{2}) = 0$   $v(\pm \frac{\ell}{2}) = t$
- Exercise

Find the profile of the HRT surface and compute  $S_A(t)$

## Entanglement c-functions

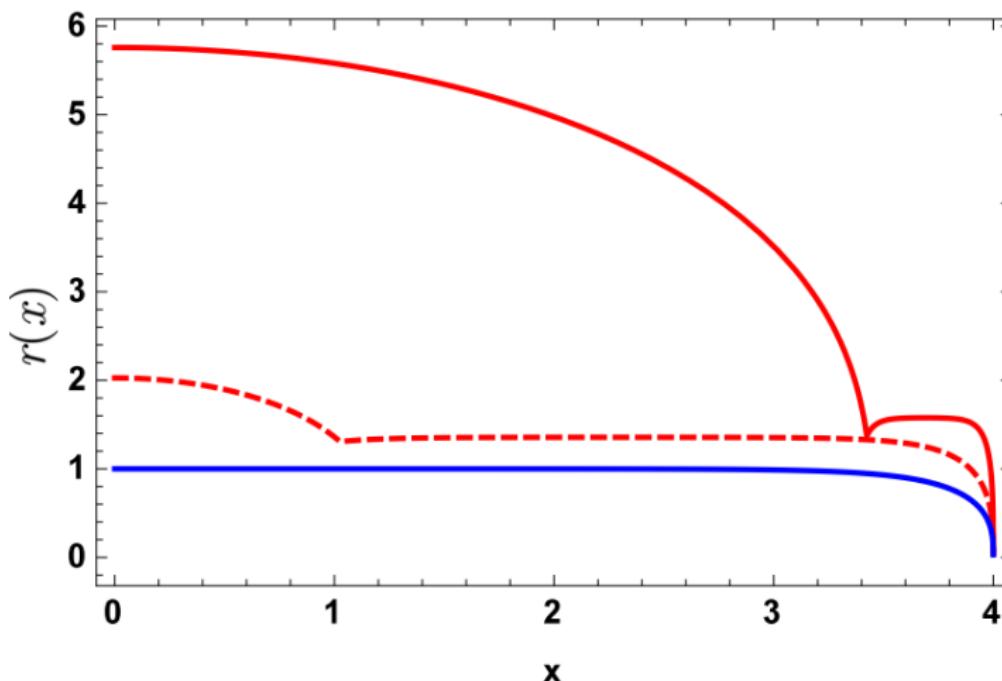
## HRT Proposal



- An evolution from AdS profile to AdS Black-brane profile

Entanglement c-functions

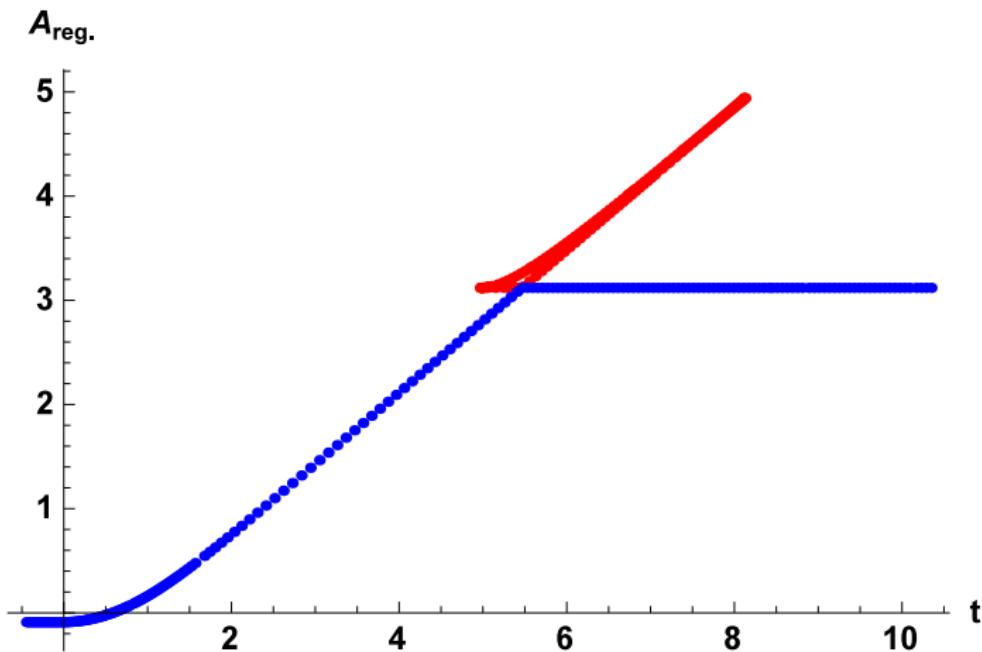
## HRT Proposal



- Presence of multiple solutions to EoMs for a given time!

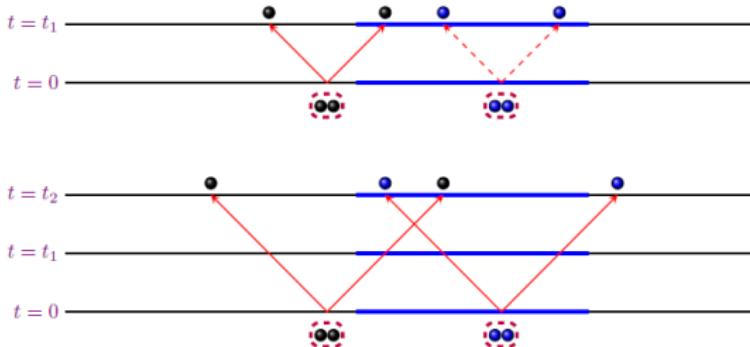
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## HRT Proposal



## HEE

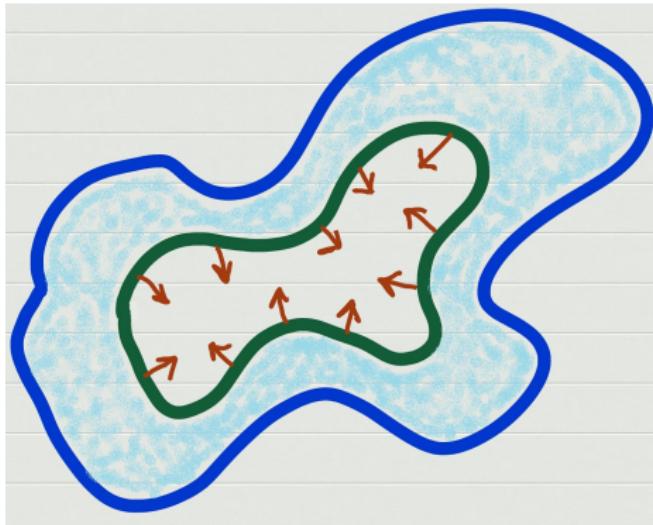
- According to HRT prescription (after a quench) HEE has:
  - an early time quadratic growth
  - an intermediate linear growth
  - a late time saturation
- Quasi particle picture!



# HEE

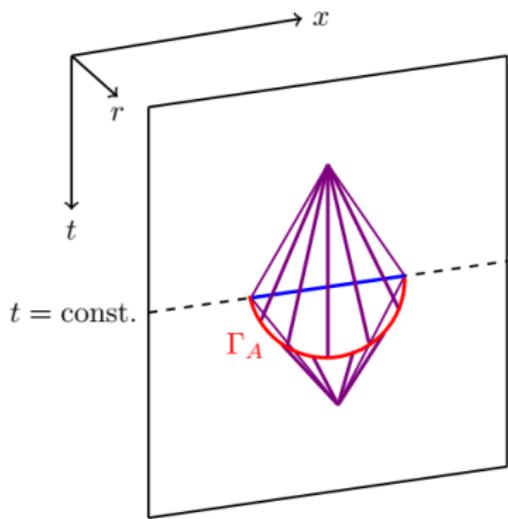
- Entanglement Tsunami

A picture for the growth of EE in a strongly coupled QFT!

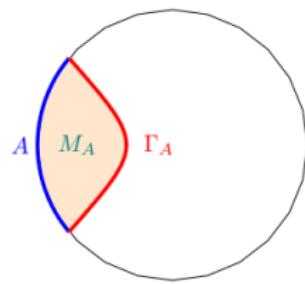


## Entanglement c-functions

## Entanglement Wedge



Time Slice of EW

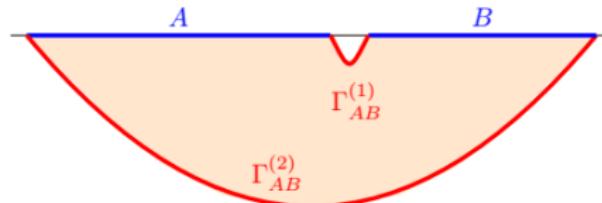
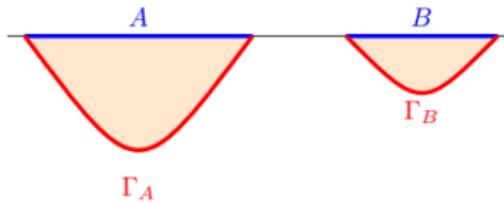
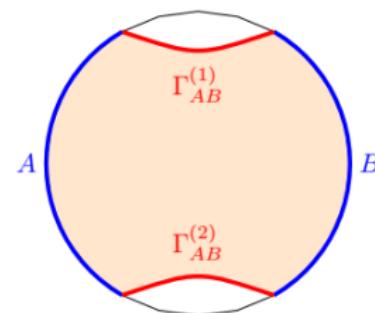
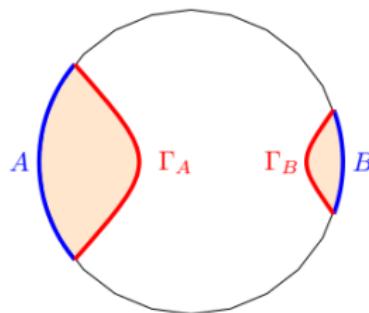


$$\bullet \quad \partial M_A = A \cup \Gamma_A$$

## Entanglement c-functions

## Entanglement Wedge

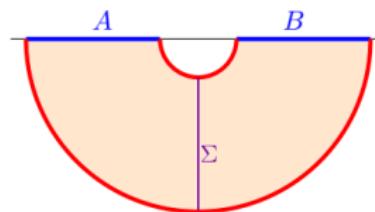
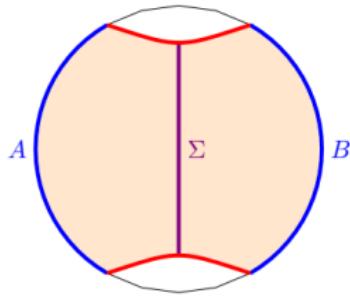
- Two boundary subsystems:  $\partial M_{AB} = A \cup B \cup \Gamma_{AB}$



Entanglement c-functions

Entanglement Wedge Cross-section  $E_W$ 

$$E_W = \frac{\text{area}(\Sigma)}{4G_N}$$



- A Holographic Dual for

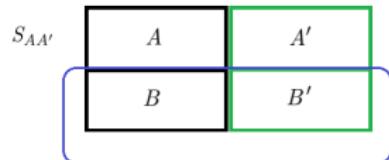
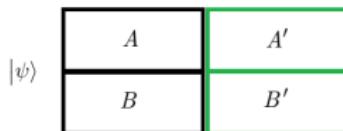
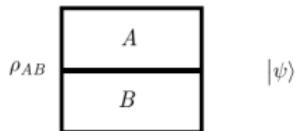
- ①  $E_P$  [Takayanagi, Umemoto '17, Nguyen et. al. '17]
- ②  $\mathcal{E}$  [Kudler-Flam, Ryu'18]
- ③  $S_O$  [Tamaoka'18]
- ④  $S_R$  [Dutta, Faulkner, '19]

# Entanglement of Purification

- Consider a mixed state in  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$  described by  $\rho_{AB}$
- Enlarge  $\mathcal{H}$  to  $\mathcal{H}_{AA'} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{BB'}$  by adding some auxiliary degrees of freedom  $\rho_{AB} = \text{Tr}_{A'B'} |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$

Purification is not unique!

$$E_P = \min_{\rho_{AB} = \text{Tr}_{A'B'} |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|} S_{AA'}$$



# Entanglement of Purification

$E_P$ :

- reduces to  $S_A$  for **pure** states
- enjoys several **inequalities**

$$\textcircled{1} \quad E_P(A, B) \leq E_P(A, B \cup C)$$

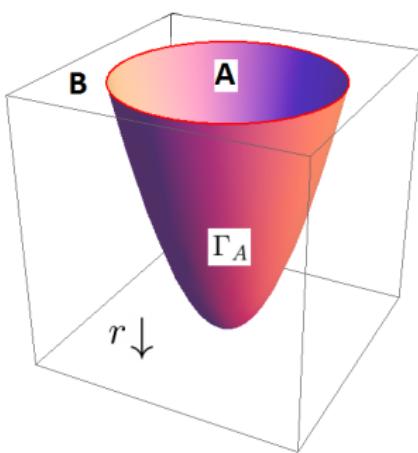
$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{I(A,B)}{2} \leq E_P(A, B) \leq \min\{S_A, S_B\}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \frac{I(A,B)+I(A,C)}{2} \leq E_P(A, B \cup C)$$

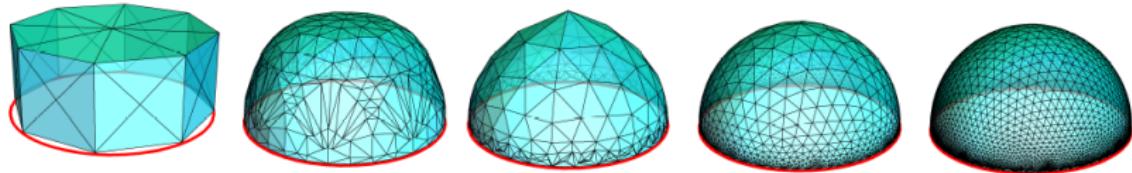
- is a **UV finite** quantity

- ...

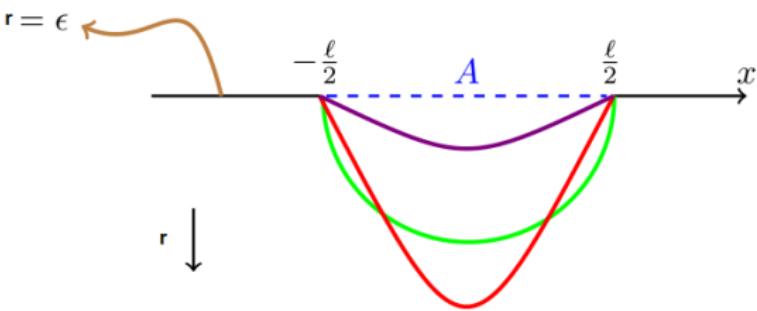
## Ryu-Takayanagi Proposal



- Choosing the **minimal** surface



## Entanglement c-functions

Example:  $AdS_3/CFT_2$ 

$$S_A = \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\ell}{\epsilon}$$

[Ryu & Takayanagi, 2006]

# Ryu-Takayanagi Proposal

- Further generalizations:

higher dimensions, mixed and excited states, entanglement

inequalities, information and entanglement measures,

multipartite entanglement, time evolution ...

# Holographic Proposals

## Some achievements/extensions related to HEE

- Holographic entanglement measures
- Entanglement and renormalization
- Entropic c-functions
- Surface/State correspondence, AdS/cMERA
- HEE & causality in CFT and gravity
- Entanglement inequalities holographic entropy Cone
- Higher dimensional twist operators
- Holographic quantum quench
- Geometry from entanglement
- ...

## ✓ Some basic questions

- What is the gravity dual of  $\rho_A$ ?
- What part of the bulk can be fully reconstructed from  $\rho_A$ ?
- Given  $\rho_A$ , in what region of the bulk can we uniquely reconstruct the geometric data  $(g_{\mu\nu})$ ?
- Can we find gravitational dynamics from entanglement pattern?

The bulk reconstruction program!

# Linearized gravitational dynamics

- ① Consider perturbations around the AdS geometry

$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{AdS}} + h_{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathcal{O}(h) \ll \mathcal{O}(g)$$

- ② Choose a ball-shaped entangling region
  - Linearized gravity from the 1st law

$$\delta\langle S \rangle = \delta\langle K_\sigma \rangle \Leftrightarrow \delta\mathbf{E} = 0$$

Linearized Einstein equations  $\leftrightarrow$  Entanglement 1st law

# Some achievements/extensions related to HEE

- Holographic computational complexity
- Holographic tensor network and quantum error correction
- Resolving information paradox
- Islands and replica wormholes
- dS/CFT and Timelike EE
- ...