

Tales from the Edge: Boundary Terms and Entanglement Entropy

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## Why is It Important?

$\therefore$ Quantum information, communication and computation - measure of entanglement in quantum systems
$\because$ Condensed matter physics - order parameter for exotic phase transitions (Osborne-Nielsen 2002, Vidal et al. 2003)

* Quantum field theory (QFT) - measure of renormalization group flow (a and c theorems) (Casini-Huerta 2006, 2012)
\% Gravity — relations to black hole entropy (Bombelli et al. 1986, Srednicki 1993); Bekenstein bound (Casini 2008)
* String theory — Ryu-Takayanagi (2006) formula and AdS/CFT ties QFT and gravity aspects together.


## Entanglement Entropy

$\therefore$ Consider a state $|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}=\mathcal{H}_{A} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{B}$ in a factorizable Hilbert space. ( $A$ and $B$ spatial.)
$\therefore$ Form density matrix: $\rho=|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$
$\because$ Perform the partial trace: $\rho_{A}=\operatorname{tr}_{B} \rho$

For the EPR pair

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \rho_{A}=\frac{1}{2}(|\downarrow\rangle\langle\downarrow|+|\uparrow\rangle\langle\uparrow|) \\
& S_{E}=\log 2
\end{aligned}
$$

$\because$ Compute the von Neumann entropy of $\rho_{A}$

$$
S_{E} \equiv-\operatorname{tr}\left(\rho_{A} \log \rho_{A}\right)
$$

## The Challenges in QFT

* The assumption that the Hilbert space can be factorized wrt to $A$ and $B$ is often problematic.
* The infinite number of degrees of freedom means entanglement entropy is badly divergent.
* That the density matrix grows exponentially with the size of the Hilbert space means entanglement entropy is difficult to compute.


## Use a Lattice

* Provides a natural UV cut-off - the lattice spacing.
$\therefore$ In many lattice models, the Hilbert space factors lattice site by lattice site.



## Boundaries and the UV Cutoff

Most of the interesting EE results involve a UV regulator
E.g., for a quantum field theory in the ground state

$$
S_{E} \sim \frac{\operatorname{Area}(\partial A)}{\delta^{d-2}} \quad \text { (Srednicki 1993) }
$$

Lesson here that most of the correlations are local.

Corollary: Better treat the boundary of $A$ correctly.

## Factorizability and Boundaries

* Difficult to get chiral fermions on the lattice. (Iqbal-Wall, NishiokaYarom, Hellerman)
* For a lattice version of E\&M, observables are loops.
(Buividovich-Polikarpov, CasiniHuerta, Radicevic, Donnelly, et al.)

magnetic field
$\because$ There may indeed be issues in general.


## Two Tales from the Edge

For conformal field theories (CFTs)
\% Universal contributions to entanglement entropy at zero temperature (work with K.-W. Huang and K. Jensen).
$\because$ Thermal corrections to entanglement entropy (work with M. Spillane, J. Nian, R. Vaz, and J. Cardy).

Moral: The importance of boundary terms.

## Trick for Calculating EE of CFTs



## Map to Hyperbolic Space

* Density matrix on hyperbolic space is thermal: $\beta=2 \pi \ell$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \quad \rho=\frac{e^{-\beta H}}{\operatorname{tr} e^{-\beta H}} \quad H \text { called the modular Hamiltonian } \\
& \rho_{A}=U^{-1} \rho U \text { for some unitary operator } U .
\end{aligned}
$$

$\because$ EE invariant under $U$ implies thermal entropy of hyperbolic space is EE. (see e.g. Casini-Huerta-Myers 2011)

## Universal contributions to EE at

## zero $T$

There is a "universal" contribution to EE that is proportional to "a" anomaly coefficient in $\left\langle T_{\mu}^{\mu}\right\rangle$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left\langle T^{\mu}{ }_{\mu}\right\rangle=\sum_{j} c_{j} I_{j}-(-1)^{d / 2} \frac{4 a}{d!\operatorname{Vol}\left(S^{d}\right)} E_{d}+\mathrm{D}_{\mu} J^{\mu} \\
\begin{array}{c}
\text { Weyl curvature } \\
\text { invariants }
\end{array} \quad \text { Euler density } \\
S_{E}=\alpha \frac{\text { Area }(\partial A)}{\delta^{d-2}}+\ldots+4 a(-1)^{d / 2} \ln \frac{\delta^{\prime}}{\ell}+\ldots \\
2 \times \text { Euler character of sphere. } \begin{array}{l}
\text { (Solodukhin 2008; } \\
\text { Casini-Huerta-Myers 2011) }
\end{array}
\end{gathered}
$$

## A Puzzle

$$
S_{E}=\alpha \frac{\operatorname{Area}(\partial A)}{\delta^{d-2}}+\ldots+4 a(-1)^{d / 2} \ln \frac{\delta}{\ell}+\ldots
$$

* Casini-Huerta-Myers (2011) try and fail to get this log from the hyperbolic space map.
$\because$ They succeed using a sphere (Euclidean de Sitter) no boundary; they succeed also using the RT formula.
$\therefore$ The result is consistent (predicted) by earlier work using the replica method and squashed cones Solodukhin (2008).


## Can we succeed where СНМ failed?

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \rho=\frac{e^{-\beta H}}{\operatorname{tr} e^{-\beta H}} \Rightarrow \quad S_{E}=-\operatorname{tr}(\rho \ln \rho)=\beta\langle H\rangle+\ln \operatorname{tr}\left(e^{-\beta H}\right) \\
& \text { Casimir energy } \quad \log \text { of partition function; } \\
& \text { call it }-W
\end{aligned}
$$

Guess: universal contributions encoded in an effective action that reproduces the "a" part of the trace anomaly.

## Warm-Up: 2D Case

We want to deduce an effective action $W\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right]$ from the trace anomaly

$$
\left\langle T_{\mu}^{\mu}\right\rangle=\frac{c}{24 \pi} R
$$

According to Polchinski, in the presence of a boundary, the most general form for the anomalous variation is

$$
\delta_{\sigma} W=-\frac{c}{24 \pi}\left[\int_{M} \mathrm{~d}^{2} x \sqrt{g} R \delta \sigma+2 \int_{\partial M} \mathrm{~d} y \sqrt{\gamma} K \delta \sigma\right]
$$

$K$ here is the trace of the extrinsic curvature.
The Euler characteristic for a 2d manifold with boundary!

## The 2d effective action.

We want to integrate $\delta_{\sigma} W$.
In fact the best we can do is determine a difference:

$$
\mathcal{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}\right] \equiv W\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right]-W\left[e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}\right]
$$

The answer is

$$
\mathcal{W}=-\frac{c}{24 \pi}\left[\int_{M} \mathrm{~d}^{2} x \sqrt{g}\left(R\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right] \tau-(\partial \tau)^{2}\right)+2 \int_{\partial M} \mathrm{~d} y \sqrt{\gamma} K\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right] \tau\right]
$$

Various methods: 1) guess work
2) dimensional regularization
3) integral formula

## Dimensional Regularization

Define $\widetilde{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right]$ in $n=2+\epsilon$ dimensions.

$$
\widetilde{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right] \equiv-\frac{c}{24 \pi(n-2)}\left[\int_{M} \mathrm{~d}^{n} x \sqrt{g} R+2 \int_{\partial M} \mathrm{~d}^{n-1} y \sqrt{\gamma} K\right]
$$

Then

$$
\mathcal{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}\right]=\lim _{n \rightarrow 2}\left(\widetilde{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right]-\widetilde{W}\left[e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}\right]\right)
$$

Trick employed by Brown and Cassidy (1977).
Relies on nice transformation properties of $R$ under Weyl scaling.
under $g_{\mu \nu} \rightarrow e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}, \sqrt{g} R \rightarrow e^{(2-n) \tau} \sqrt{g} R+$ total derivative

## Entanglement of an Interval

$\because$ Consider an interval with endpoints $u$ and $v$ on the $z$ plane along with the following map to the cylinder with coordinate $w$ :

$$
e^{2 \pi w / \beta}=\frac{z-u}{z-v} \quad \Rightarrow \tau=-\frac{1}{2} \ln \left[\frac{\beta}{2 \pi}\left(\frac{1}{v-z}-\frac{1}{u-z}\right)\right]+c . c .
$$

*The cylinder has a periodic Euclidean time coordinate.
$\because$ The reduced density matrix on the interval is mapped to the thermal density matrix on the cylinder with inverse temperature $\beta$.

## Plan of Attack

$$
S_{E}=\beta\langle H\rangle-W_{\mathrm{cyl}}
$$

Can be obtained from Schwarzian derivative which in turn can be derived from varying
$\mathcal{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}\right]$
with respect to the metric.

Think of this term as

$$
\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]-\widetilde{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right]
$$

## Assembling the Pieces

$$
\begin{array}{rlrl}
\beta\langle H\rangle & \sim \frac{c}{6} \ln \frac{|v-u|}{\delta} & & \text { Comes from regulating } \\
\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {bulk }} & \sim \frac{c}{6} \ln \frac{|v-u|}{\delta} & \text { infinite volume of } \\
\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {boundary }} & \sim-\frac{c}{3} \ln \frac{|v-u|}{\delta} & & \begin{array}{l}
\tau \text { multiplying } K \\
\text { in the effective action }
\end{array} \\
-\widetilde{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right] \sim \frac{c}{3} \ln \frac{|v-u|}{\delta} & & & \begin{array}{l}
\text { Dim reg of } \\
\end{array}
\end{array}
$$

$$
S_{E} \sim \frac{c}{3} \ln \frac{|v-u|}{\delta} \quad \text { Holzhey, Larsen, Wilczek (1994) }
$$

## Remarks about 2d

\% Two ways of picking apart the answer.
$\because$ EE comes from bulk terms on the cylinder.
$\because$ EE comes purely from $\widetilde{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right]$
$\therefore$ One can use $\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]$ for three purposes:
$\%$ to derive Schwarzian derivative
$\therefore$ to compute the EE
$\because$ to compute the Rényi entropies $\quad S_{n} \sim \frac{c}{6}\left(n+\frac{1}{n}\right) \ln \frac{|v-u|}{\delta}$

## Anomaly Action in General

"a" contribution to trace anomaly comes from the Euler character $\chi$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\delta_{\sigma} W & =(-1)^{d / 2} 2 a \chi(M)+\ldots \\
& =(-1)^{d / 2} \frac{4 a}{d!\operatorname{Vol}\left(S^{d}\right)}\left(\int_{M} \mathcal{E}_{d} \delta \sigma-\int_{\partial M} \mathcal{Q}_{d} \delta \sigma\right)+\ldots \\
& \text { Euler density } \quad \text { CS like term }
\end{aligned}
$$

Then for dim reg, define

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\widetilde{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right]=(-1)^{d / 2} \frac{4 a}{(n-d) d!\operatorname{Vol}\left(S^{d}\right)}\left(\int_{M} \mathcal{E}_{n, d}-\int_{\partial M} \mathcal{Q}_{n, d}\right) \\
\quad \text { and } \mathcal{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}\right]=\lim _{n \rightarrow d}\left(\widetilde{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right]-\widetilde{W}\left[e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}\right]\right)
\end{array}
$$

## 4d effective action

Euler density Einstein tensor
$\mathcal{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}\right]=\frac{a}{(4 \pi)^{2}} \int_{M} \mathrm{~d}^{4} x \sqrt{g}\left[\tau E_{4}+4 E^{\mu \nu}\left(\partial_{\mu} \tau\right)\left(\partial_{\nu} \tau\right)+8\left(\mathrm{D}_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \tau\right)\left(\partial^{\mu} \tau\right)\left(\partial^{\nu} \tau\right)+2(\partial \tau)^{4}\right]$
$-\frac{a}{(4 \pi)^{2}} \int_{\partial M} \mathrm{~d}^{3} y \sqrt{\gamma}\left[\tau Q_{4}+4\left(K \gamma^{\alpha \beta}-K^{\alpha \beta}\right)\left(\partial_{\alpha} \tau\right)\left(\partial_{\beta} \tau\right)+\frac{8}{3} \tau_{n}^{3}\right]$
CS like term: only place $\tau$ appears w / out a derivative in the bry
normal derivative of $\tau$

Bulk term figured in Komargodski-Schwimmer proof of the "a"-theorem

Boundary term is a new result.

## 6d effective action (bulk)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} g_{\mu \nu}\right]_{(\mathrm{Bulk})}= \\
& \begin{aligned}
& \frac{a}{3(4 \pi)^{3}} \int_{M} \mathrm{~d}^{6} x \sqrt{g}\left\{-\tau E_{6}+3 E_{\mu \nu}^{(2)} \partial^{\mu} \tau \partial^{\nu} \tau+16 C_{\mu \nu \rho \sigma}\left(\mathrm{D}^{\mu} \partial^{\rho} \tau\right)\left(\partial^{\nu} \tau\right)\left(\partial^{\sigma} \tau\right)\right. \\
&+16 E_{\mu \nu}\left[\left(\partial^{\mu} \tau\right)\left(\partial^{\rho} \tau\right)\left(\mathrm{D}_{\rho} \partial^{\nu} \tau\right)-\left(\partial^{\mu} \tau\right)\left(\partial^{\nu} \tau\right) \square \tau\right]-6 R(\partial \tau)^{4} \\
&\left.-24(\partial \tau)^{2}(\mathrm{D} \partial \tau)^{2}+24(\partial \tau)^{2}(\square \tau)^{2}-36(\square \tau)(\partial \tau)^{4}+24(\partial \tau)^{6}\right\}
\end{aligned}
\end{aligned}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
E^{(2) \mu \nu} & \equiv g^{\mu \nu} E_{4}+8 R_{\rho}^{\mu} R^{\rho \nu}-4 R^{\mu \nu} R+8 R_{\rho \sigma} R^{\mu \rho \nu \sigma}-4 R_{\rho \sigma \tau}^{\mu} R^{\nu \rho \sigma \tau} \\
C_{\mu \nu \rho \sigma} & \equiv R_{\mu \nu \rho \sigma}-g_{\mu \rho} R_{\nu \sigma}+g_{\mu \sigma} R_{\nu \rho}
\end{aligned}
$$

Reproduces a result from Elvang, Freedman, Hung, Kiermaier, Myers, Theisen (2012).

## 6d effective action (conformally flat)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]=-\frac{a}{16 \pi^{3}} \int_{M} \mathrm{~d}^{6} x \sqrt{g}\left\{2(\partial \tau)^{2}\left(\partial_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \tau\right)^{2}-2(\partial \tau)^{2}(\square \tau)^{2}+3 \square \tau(\partial \tau)^{4}-2(\partial \tau)^{6}\right\} \\
& -\frac{a}{3(4 \pi)^{3}} \int_{\partial M} \mathrm{~d}^{5} y \sqrt{\gamma}\left[-\tau Q_{6}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right]+48 P_{\beta}^{\alpha}\left(\partial_{\alpha} \tau\right)\left(\partial^{\beta} \tau\right)+3 Q_{4}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right](\mathrm{D} \tau)^{2}\right. \\
& +48 K^{\alpha \beta}\left(\square^{\square} \tau\right)\left(\mathrm{D}_{\alpha} \partial_{\beta} \tau\right)+24 K\left(\mathrm{D}_{\alpha} \partial_{\beta} \tau\right)^{2}-48 K_{\alpha \gamma}\left(\mathrm{D}^{\beta} \partial^{\alpha} \tau\right)\left(\mathrm{D}^{\gamma} \partial_{\beta} \tau\right) \\
& -24 K\left(\square \square^{\circ} \tau\right)^{2}-32 K(\mathrm{D} \tau)^{2} \square \circ-16 K\left(\partial^{\alpha} \tau\right)\left(\partial^{\beta} \tau\right)\left(\grave{\mathrm{D}}_{\alpha} \partial_{\beta} \tau\right) \\
& \text { only } \tau \quad+16 K_{\alpha \beta}\left(\partial^{\alpha} \tau\right)\left(\partial^{\beta} \tau\right) \square{ }^{\circ} \tau+32 K_{\alpha \beta}\left(\mathrm{D}^{\alpha} \partial^{\beta} \tau\right)(\mathrm{D} \tau)^{2}+12 K \tau_{n}^{4} \\
& \text { in the bry } \quad+12 K(\mathrm{D} \tau)^{4}+24 K(\mathrm{D} \tau)^{2} \tau_{n}^{2}+48(\square \tau)(\mathrm{D} \tau)^{2}\left(\tau_{n}\right)+16\left(\square \square^{\circ} \tau\right)\left(\tau_{n}^{3}\right) \\
& \left.-24(\mathrm{D} \tau)^{2} \tau_{n}^{3}-36 \tau_{n}(\mathrm{D} \tau)^{4}-\frac{36}{5} \tau_{n}^{5}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

where

$$
P_{\beta}^{\alpha} \equiv\left(K^{2}-\operatorname{tr}\left(K^{2}\right)\right) K_{\beta}^{\alpha}-2 K K^{\alpha \gamma} K_{\beta \gamma}+2 K_{\gamma \delta} K^{\alpha \gamma} K_{\beta}^{\delta}
$$

The boundary term is a new result.

## EE of the Ball


flat space

$$
\mathrm{d} s^{2}=-\mathrm{d} t^{2}+\mathrm{d} r^{2}+r^{2} \mathrm{~d} \Omega_{d-2}^{2}
$$

$$
=e^{2 \sigma}\left[-\mathrm{d} T^{2}+\ell^{2}\left(\mathrm{~d} u^{2}+\sinh ^{2} u \mathrm{~d} \Omega_{d-2}^{2}\right)\right]
$$

where

$e^{-\sigma}=\cosh u+\cosh T / \ell$

$$
S_{E}=\beta\langle H\rangle+\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \sigma} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]-\widetilde{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right]
$$

## Assembling the Pieces: 4d

$$
\beta\langle H\rangle \sim-\frac{3}{2} a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta}
$$

$$
\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \sigma} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {bulk }} \sim\left(\frac{3}{2}-4\right) a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta}
$$

$\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \sigma} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {boundary }} \sim 4 a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta}$

$$
-\widetilde{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right] \sim-4 a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta}
$$

$$
S_{E} \sim-4 a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta}
$$

## Assembling the Pieces: 6d

$$
\begin{aligned}
\beta\langle H\rangle & \sim \frac{5}{4} a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta} \\
\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \sigma} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {bulk }} & \sim\left(-\frac{5}{4}+4\right) a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta} \\
\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \sigma} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {boundary }} & \sim-4 a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta} \\
-\widetilde{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right] & \sim 4 a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
S_{E} \sim 4 a \ln \frac{\ell}{\delta}
$$

## Technical Problem

Why can't I give you the story in general dimension?
Order of limits issue
(fixing the metric before or after
taking the $n$ to $d$ limit)
We have not been able to evaluate $\widetilde{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}\right]$

$$
\text { for } S^{1} \times H^{d-1} \text { reliably. }
$$

Computing $\mathcal{W}\left[g_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \sigma} g_{\mu \nu}\right]$ becomes harder as dimension increases.

## Point of View \#1

We can make an invariant distinction between $\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {boundary }}$ and $\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {bulk }}$.

Then $\beta\langle H\rangle+\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {bulk }}$ computes the EE
while $\left.\mathcal{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}, e^{-2 \tau} \delta_{\mu \nu}\right]\right|_{\text {boundary }}-\widetilde{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right]$ comes purely from
flat space and vanishes

Somewhat nicer - clean separation:
Maps a problem in flat space to a problem in hyperbolic space.

## Point of View \#2

$-\widetilde{W}\left[\delta_{\mu \nu}\right]$ computes the EE and all the other terms cancel.

Consistent with Solodukhin's result in 4d that the "a" contribution to the EE is proportional to $\chi$ of the entangling surface.

$$
S_{E} \sim \ldots+(-1)^{d / 2} 2 a \chi(\partial A) \ln \frac{\delta}{\ell}+\ldots
$$

Somewhat discouraging:
We tried to map the problem to hyperbolic space but somehow never got away from flat space.

Another Tale from the Edge

## Thermal Corrections?

The initial density matrix is not that of a pure state!

$$
\rho(T)=\frac{e^{-H / T}}{\operatorname{tr}\left(e^{-H / T}\right)}
$$

Entanglement entropy measures some combination of thermal entropy and quantum entanglement.

Why bother with thermal effects?
$\therefore$ Nice to be able to remove them.
$\because$ Lessons to be learned from EE in non-traditional contexts.

* Connection to black hole physics.


## A Universal Result

In the $R T \ll 1$ limit, for a cap $A$
of opening angle $2 \theta$ on the $S^{3}$,
$S_{E}(A, T)-S_{E}(B, T)=2 \pi g m R \cot (\theta) e^{-m / T}+o\left(e^{-m / T}\right)$
(Herzog 2014)
$m$ is the mass gap, $\sim 1 / R$
$g$ is the degeneracy of the 1 st excited state
\% Turns out to be true for any CFT in any dimension!

* Subleading in a large $N$ expansion.
$\therefore$ The $\exp (-m / T)$ Boltzmann suppression should be true of any gapped QFT (Herzog-Spillane 2012).


## Where does it come from?

Start with a thermal density matrix

$$
\rho(T)=\frac{e^{-H / T}}{\operatorname{tr}\left(e^{-H / T}\right)}
$$

(That $\rho$ is mixed means we're not really measuring quantum entanglement.)

Make a small $T$ perturbative expansion

$$
\text { Need to calculate } \quad\left\langle\psi(x) \psi(y) \log \rho_{A}(0)\right\rangle
$$

where $\psi(x)$ creates the first excited state.


## A Special Trick for CFTs

For CFTs and " $A$ " a cap on a sphere, $-\log \rho_{A}(0)$
is unitarily related to the Hamiltonian on hyperbolic space.
$H$ is the integral of the $t t$ component of the stress-energy tensor $T_{\mu v}$.

$$
\left\langle\psi(x) \psi(y) \log \rho_{A}(0)\right\rangle \rightarrow\left\langle\psi(x) \psi(y) T_{\mu \nu}(0)\right\rangle
$$

Three point functions involving the stress tensor in CFTs are constrained by symmetry to take relatively simple forms.

## Related Result Not Quite Right

From the modular Hamiltonian method

$$
\begin{gathered}
S_{E}(A, T)-S_{E}(A, 0)=g m R I_{d}(\theta) e^{-m / T}+\ldots \\
\text { where }
\end{gathered}
$$



$$
I_{d}(\theta)=2 \pi \frac{\operatorname{Vol}\left(S^{d-2}\right)}{\operatorname{Vol}\left(S^{d-1}\right)} \int_{0}^{\theta_{0}} \frac{\cos \theta-\cos \theta_{0}}{\sin \theta_{0}} \sin ^{d-2} \theta \mathrm{~d} \theta
$$

But for a scalar field, it turns out other methods match $I_{d-2}(\theta)$.

## A Resolution

$$
\Delta H=2 \pi \xi \int_{\partial H^{d-1}} \mathrm{~d}^{d-2} x \sqrt{\gamma} \phi^{2}
$$

$\therefore$ There exists a boundary term that can correct $H$.
$\because$ When $\xi=(d-2) / 4(d-1)$ (the conformal coupling)

$$
I_{d-2}(\theta) \rightarrow I_{d}(\theta)
$$

* Suggests whenever CFT has operators of dimension $d-2, H$ may get corrected by boundary terms.

Casini, Mazitelli, Teste (2014)

## This particular case

The conformally coupled scalar

$$
S=-\frac{1}{2} \int_{M}\left[(\partial \phi)^{2}+\xi R \phi^{2}\right]-\xi \int_{\partial M} K \phi^{2}
$$

trace of extrinsic curvature $\because$ To define the stress tensor. * To preserve Weyl scaling symmetry.

Boundary term in action translates into a boundary term in $H$.

## In more detail

Let $u$ be the radius of hyperbolic space.
Let $\theta$ be the polar angle on the sphere.

Constant $u$ boundary different from pull back of constant $\theta$ boundary.


$$
\left.K_{(\theta)}\right|_{\tau=0}=\frac{d-1}{R},\left.\quad K_{(u)}\right|_{\tau=0}=\frac{d-2}{R}
$$

Difference in $K$ reproduces the shift in $H$.

## Final Remarks

* For certain types of entanglement entropy, mapping to hyperbolic space is a useful tool.
* Hyperbolic space has a boundary, and the boundary has important effects.
$\because$ Thermal corrections.
$\because$ Log contribution to the zero T EE.


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