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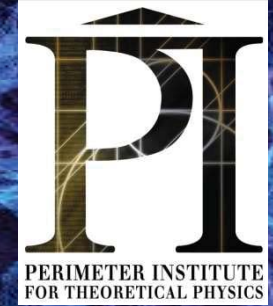
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Holographic entanglement entropy

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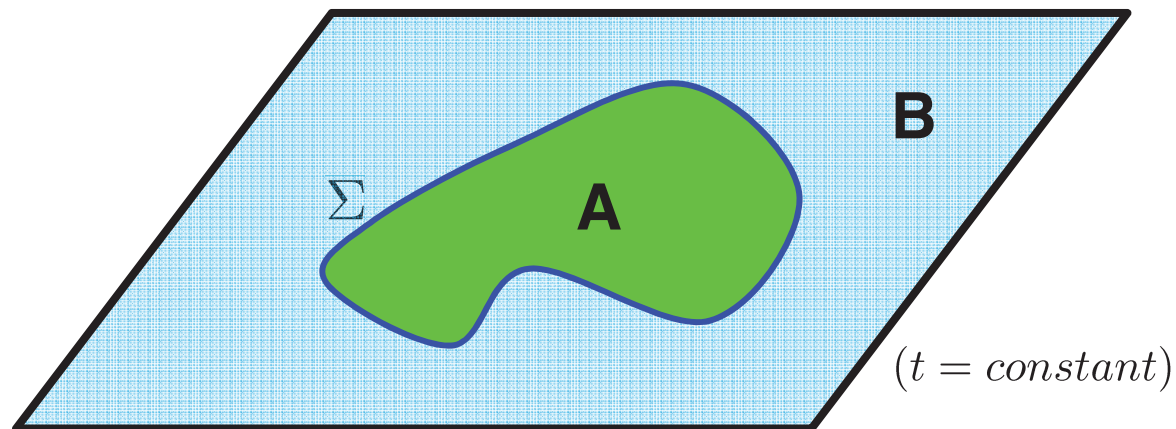


Holographic Entanglement Entropy

(with H. Casini, M. Huerta, J. Hung, A. Sinha, M. Smolkin & A. Yale)
(arXiv:1101.5813, arXiv:1102.0440, arXiv:1109.0???)

Entanglement Entropy

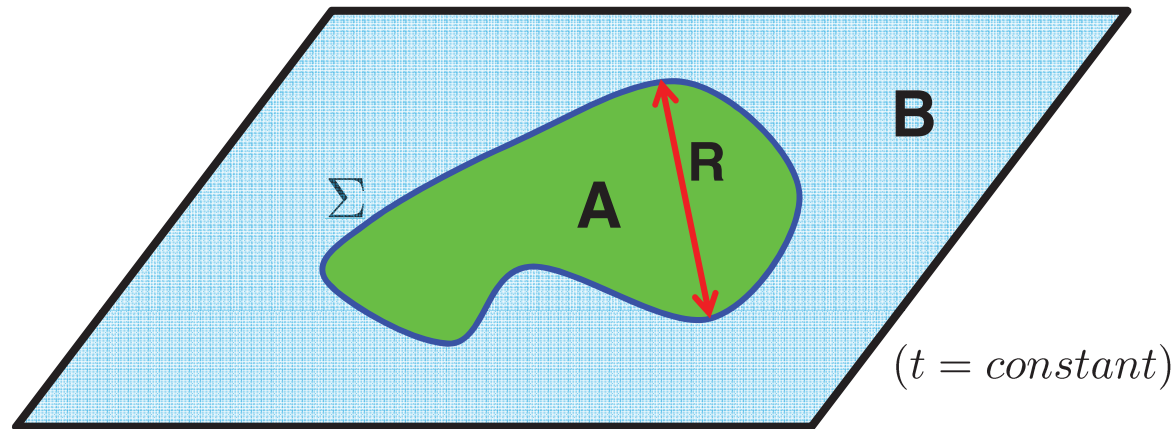
- what is entanglement entropy?
very general tool; divide quantum system into two parts and use entropy as measure of correlations between subsystems
 - in QFT, typically introduce a (smooth) boundary **or entangling surface** Σ which divides the space into two separate regions
 - integrate out degrees of freedom in “outside” region
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- result is **UV divergent!**

$$S = c_0 \frac{R^{d-2}}{\delta^{d-2}} + c_1 \frac{R^{d-3}}{\delta^{d-3}} + \dots \quad \begin{array}{l} d = \text{spacetime dimension} \\ \delta = \text{short-distance cut-off} \end{array}$$

- find universal information characterizing underlying QFT in

subleading terms: $S = \dots + c_d \log(R/\delta) + \dots$ (for even d)

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- nonlocal quantity which is (at best) very difficult to measure
- in condensed matter theory: diagnostic to characterize quantum critical points or topological phases (eg, quantum hall fluids)
- in quantum information theory: useful measure of quantum entanglement (a computational resource)

- **in black hole physics**: leading term obeys “area law” $S \simeq c_0 \frac{A_\Sigma}{\delta^{d-2}}$

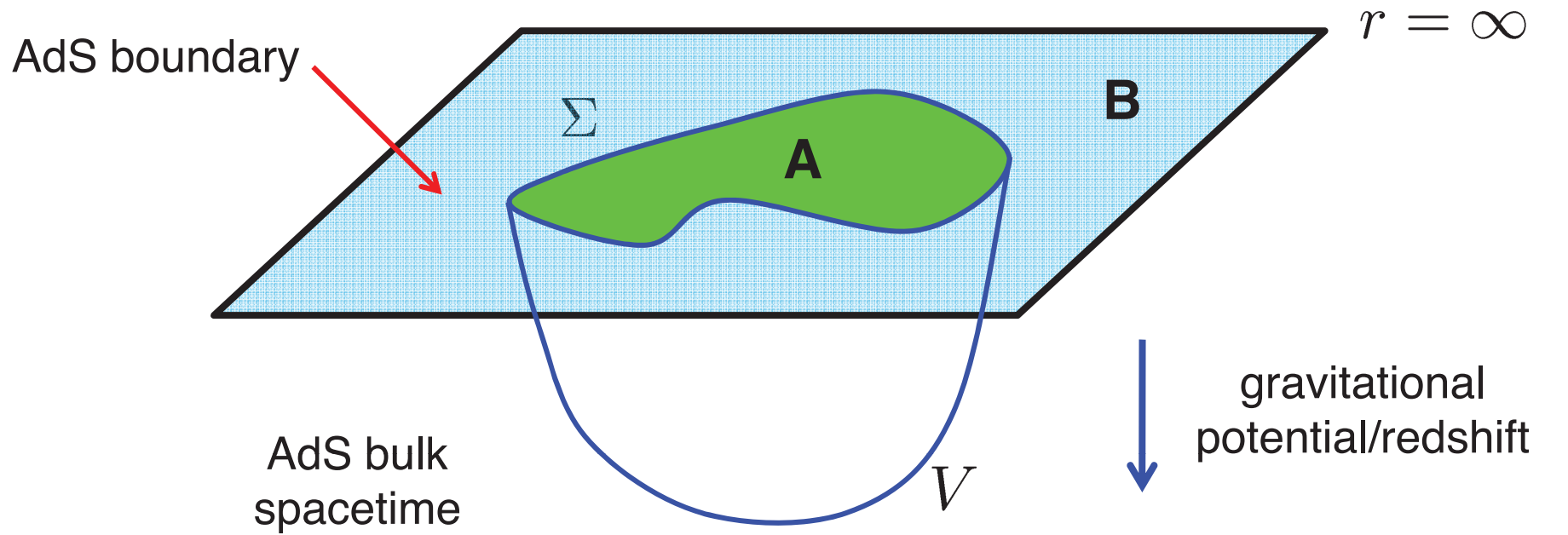
→ reminiscent of black hole entropy (eg, $\delta \simeq \ell_P$)

(Bombelli, Koul, Lee & Sorkin; Srednicki; Callan & Wilczek; Frolov; Susskind;)

- recently considered **in AdS/CFT correspondence**

(Ryu & Takayanagi `06)

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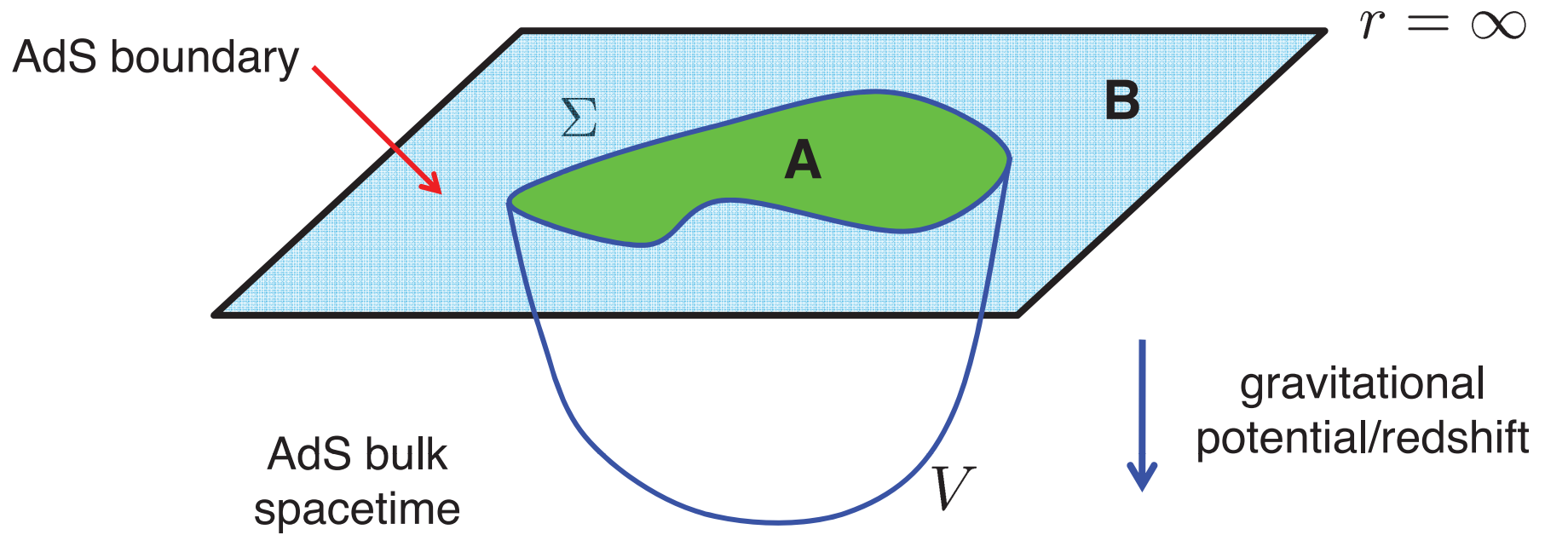


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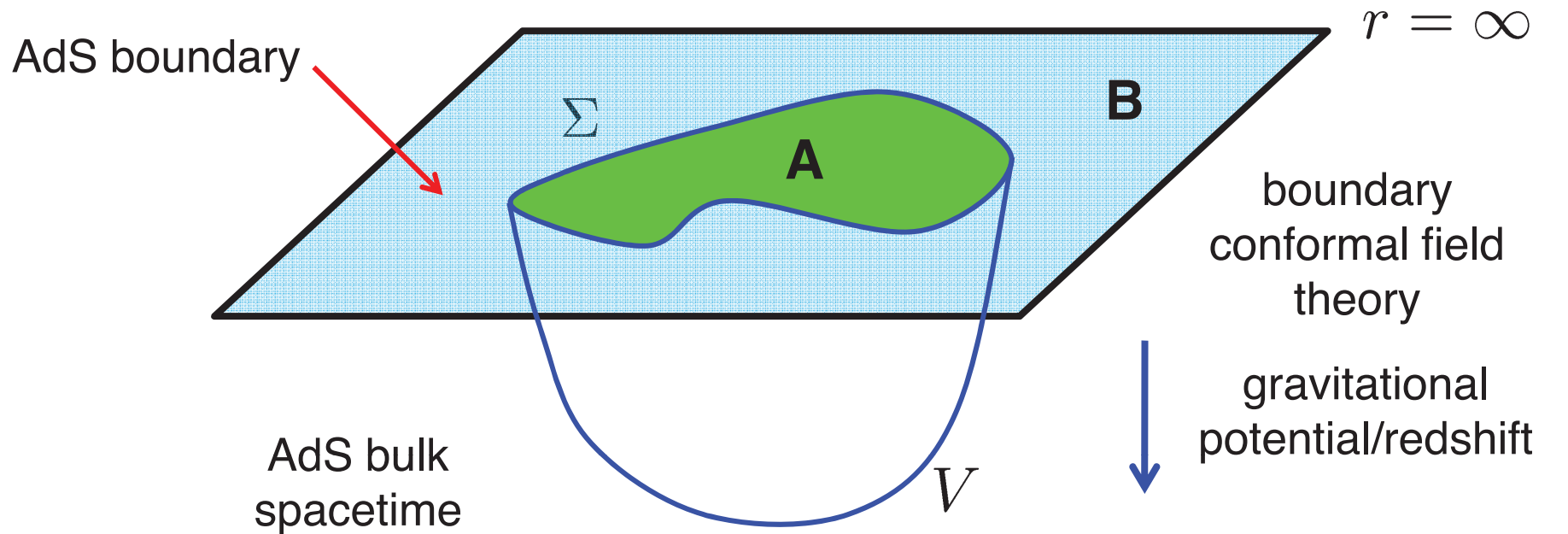


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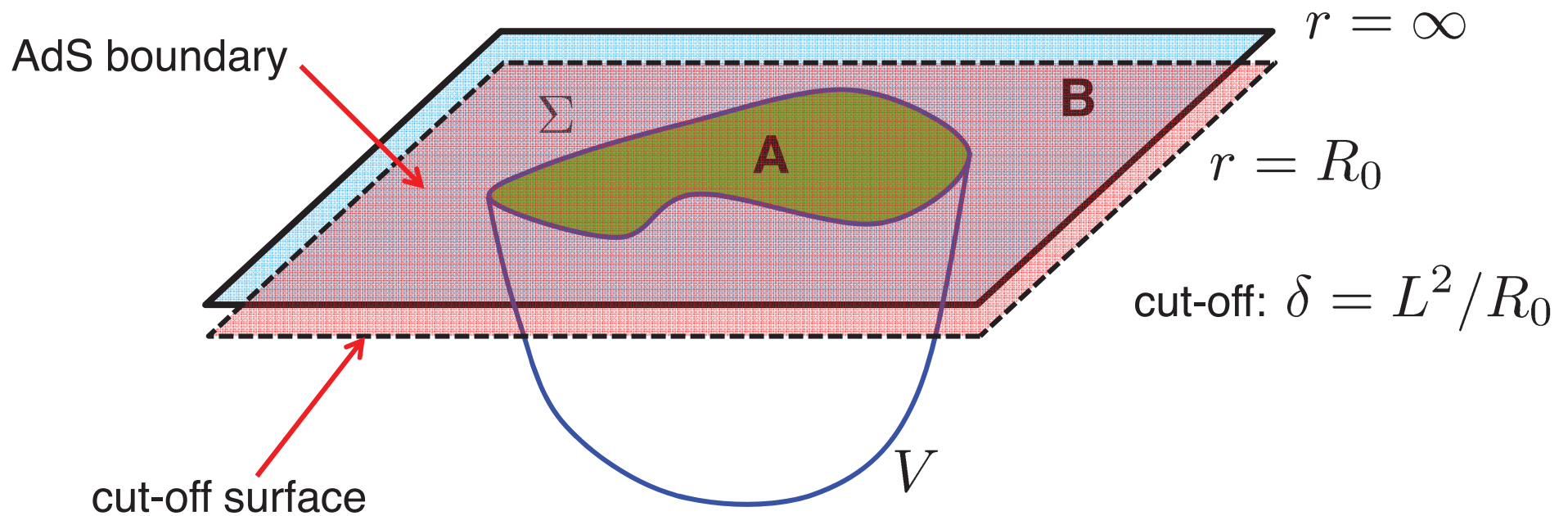


$$S(A) = \text{ext}_{V \sim A} \frac{A_V}{4G_N} = \infty!!$$

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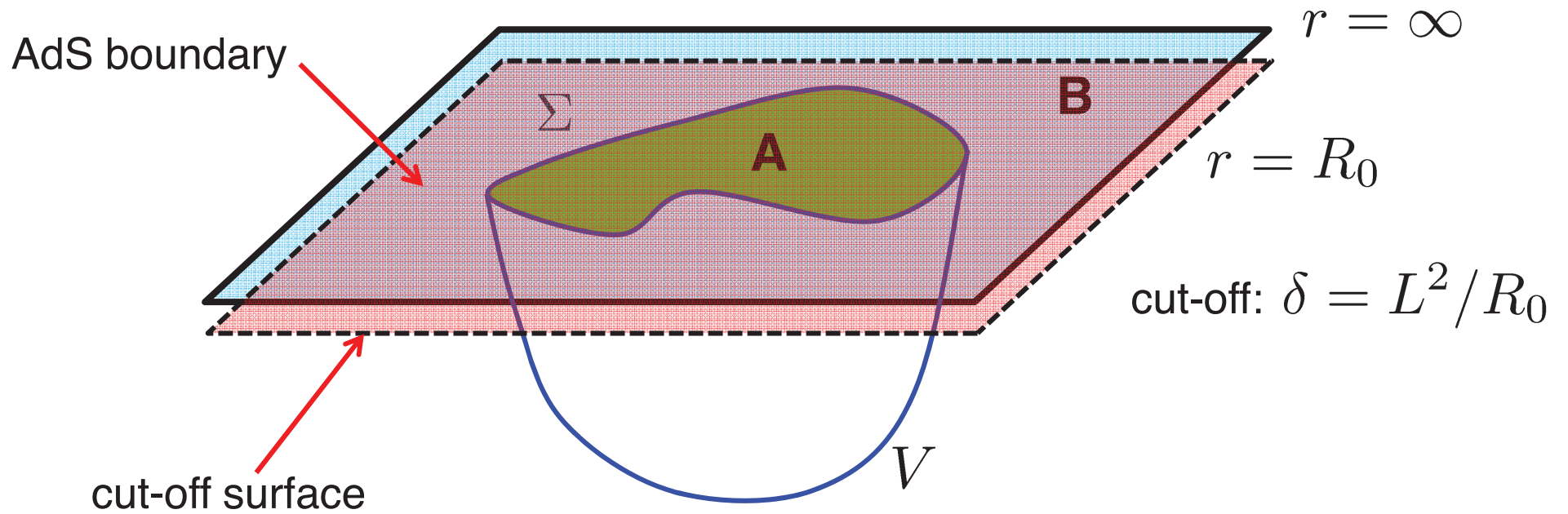
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$$S(A) = \text{ext}_{V \sim A} \frac{A_V}{4G_N} \simeq \frac{L^{d-1}}{G_N} \frac{\mathcal{A}_\Sigma}{\delta^{d-2}} + \dots$$

- “UV divergence” because area integral extends to $r = \infty$
- finite result by stopping radial integral at large radius: $r = R_0$
 → short-distance cut-off in boundary theory: $\delta = L^2 / R_0$

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central charge
(counts dof)

$$(L/\ell_{Planck})^{d-1}$$

"Area Law"

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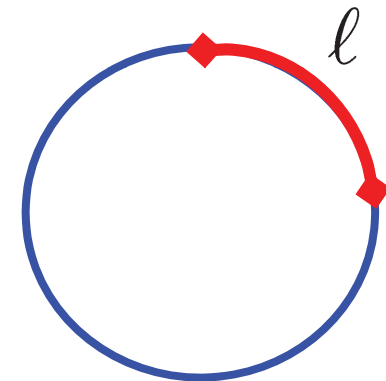
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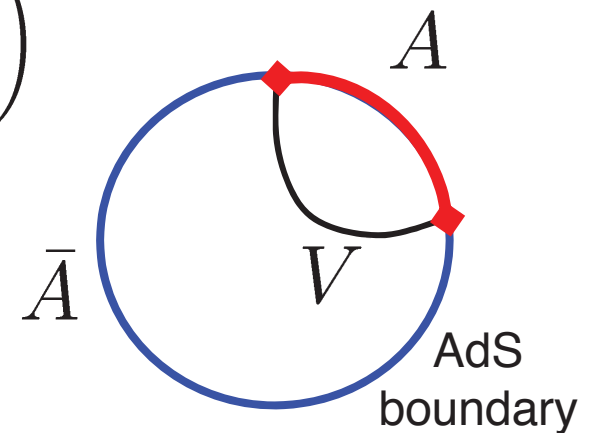
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- 3) $S(A) = S(\bar{A})$ in a pure state

→ A and \bar{A} both yield same bulk surface V

(not pure state → horizon in bulk; $S(A) \neq S(\bar{A})$ for thermal state)



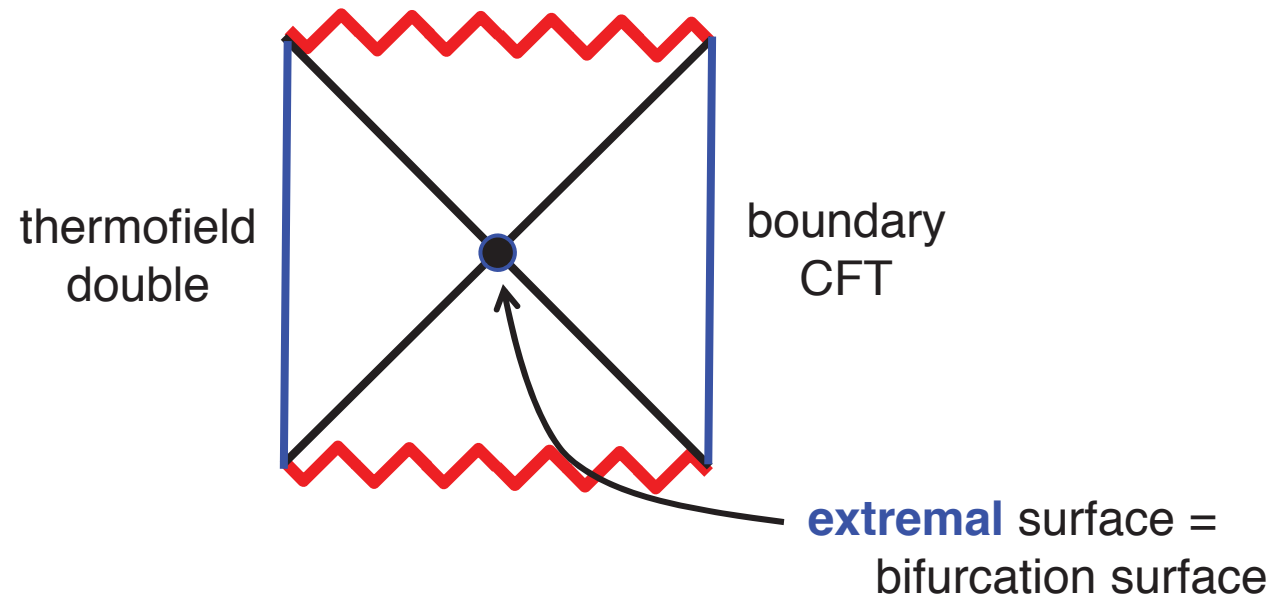
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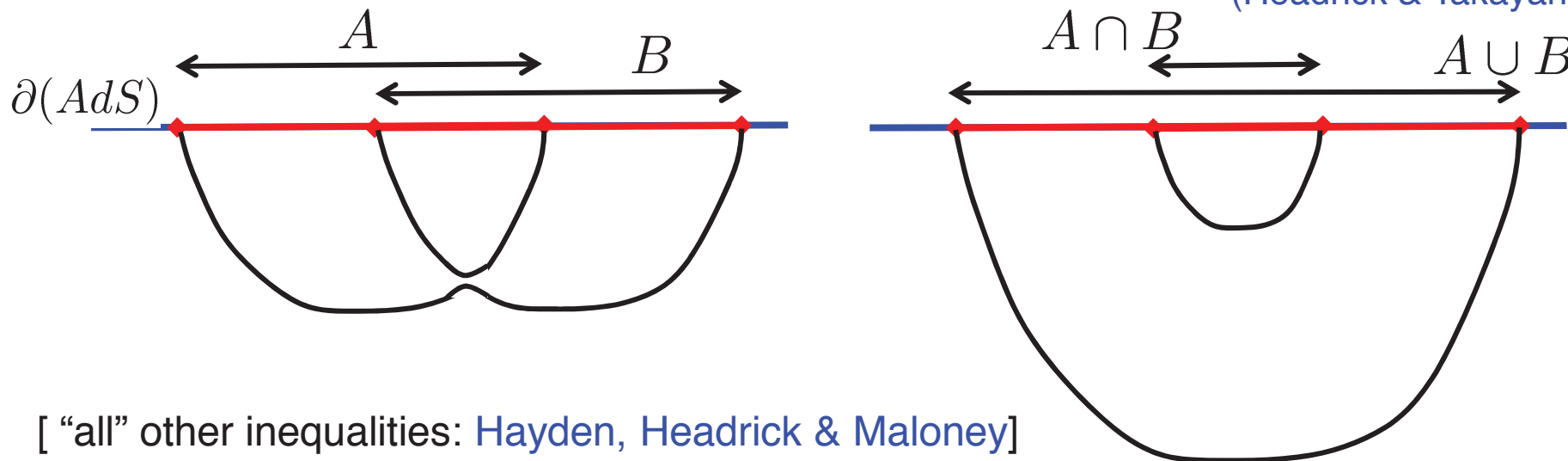
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- in higher (even) dimensions, number of central charges grows

$$\langle T_{\mu}^{\mu} \rangle = \sum \mathbf{B}_i (\text{Weyl invariants})_i - 2(-)^{d/2} \mathbf{A} (\text{Euler density})_d$$

(Deser & Schwimmer)

- universal contribution to entanglement entropy determined using trace anomaly (for even d)

(Holzhey, Larsen & Wilczek; Calabrese & Cardy; Takayanagi & Ryu; Schwimmer & Theisen)

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- **partial result!** needs rotational symmetry on entangling surface Σ

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corrections for general (smooth) Σ (Solodukhin)

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- central charges identified in AdS/CFT using holographic trace anomaly: (Henningson & Skenderis)
e.g., for (boundary) d=4: $a = c = \pi^2 L^3 / \ell_P^3$
- for general d, central charges $\propto (L/\ell_P)^{d-1}$
- for Einstein gravity, all central charges equal for any d
- distinguishing central charges requires higher curvature gravity

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- consider more general gravity theory in AdS:

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- how do we evaluate holographic entanglement entropy?

→ take direction from tests of R&T prescription

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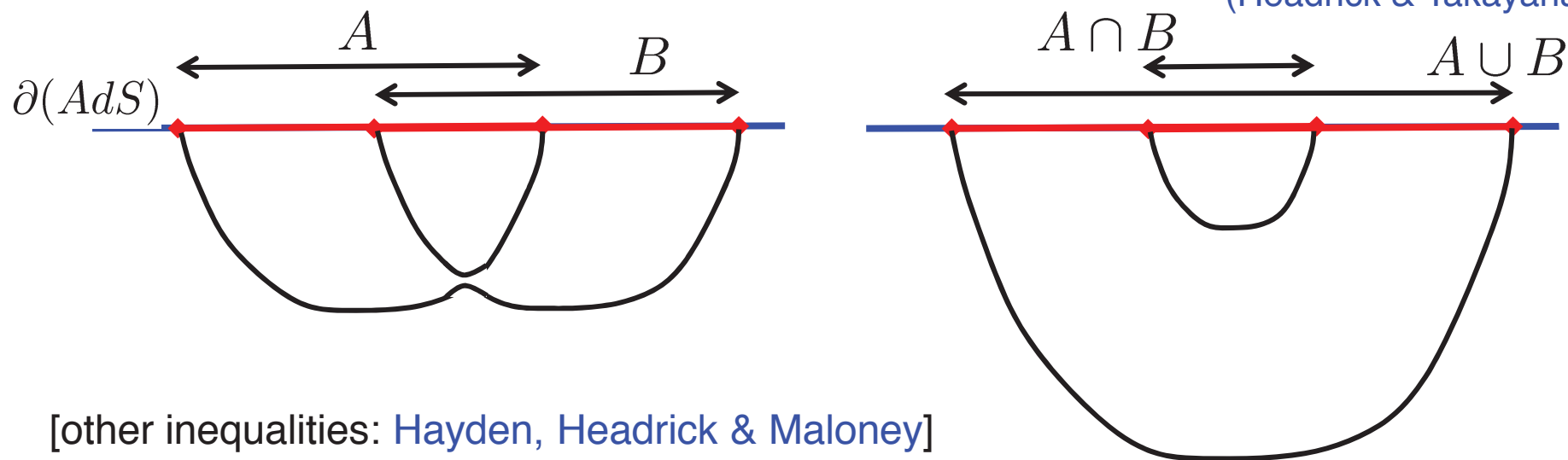
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→ conjecture wrong 🙄

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- triumph of R&T prescription in Einstein gravity!! (**c = a**)
- for general gravity action, conjecture is wrong
- there is nothing wrong with Wald's formula!!

→ to proceed further, focus on special gravity actions

(Hung, Myers & Smolkin)

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- consider special case of Gauss-Bonnet gravity:

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4d Euler density

- higher curvature but eom are still **second order!!** (Lovelock)

- studied in detail for stringy gravity in 1980's

(Zwiebach; Boulware & Deser; Wheeler; Myers & Simon;)

- interest recently in AdS/CFT studies – a toy model with $c \neq a$

(eg, Brigante, Liu, Myers, Shenker, Yaida, de Boer, Kulaxizi, Parnachev, Camanho, Edelstein, Buchel, Sinha, Paulos, Escobedo, Smolkin, Cremonini, Hofman,)

- black hole entropy:

(Jacobson & Myers)

$$S_{JM} = \frac{2\pi}{\ell_p^3} \int d^3x \sqrt{h} [1 + \lambda L^2 \mathcal{R}]$$

- **not** precisely same as Wald entropy – agree when K_{ab}^i vanish

(Hung, Myers & Smolkin)

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→ passes nontrivial test



(Hung, Myers & Smolkin)

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- ✓ reproduces universal term for any smooth surface in d=4
- ✓ partial results for d=6 (geometries with rotational symmetry;
found new curvature corrections when $K_{ab}^i = 0$)
- ✓ extends to general Lovelock theories for d≥6
- ? still no general result for completely general gravity action ?
→ with sufficient symmetry, Wald entropy seems correct
- ? curious instability to adding handles for $\lambda > 0$? (Ogawa & Takayanagi)

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Calculating Entanglement Entropy:

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- “standard” approach relies on **replica trick** and calculating Renyi entropy first and taking $n \rightarrow 1$ limit

$$S_n = \frac{1}{1-n} \log Tr [\rho_A^n] \qquad S_{EE} = \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} S_n$$

- **replica trick** involves path integral of QFT in **singular** n-fold cover of background spacetime
- problematic in holographic framework
 - produce singularity in dual gravity description
(resolved by quantum gravity/string theory?)

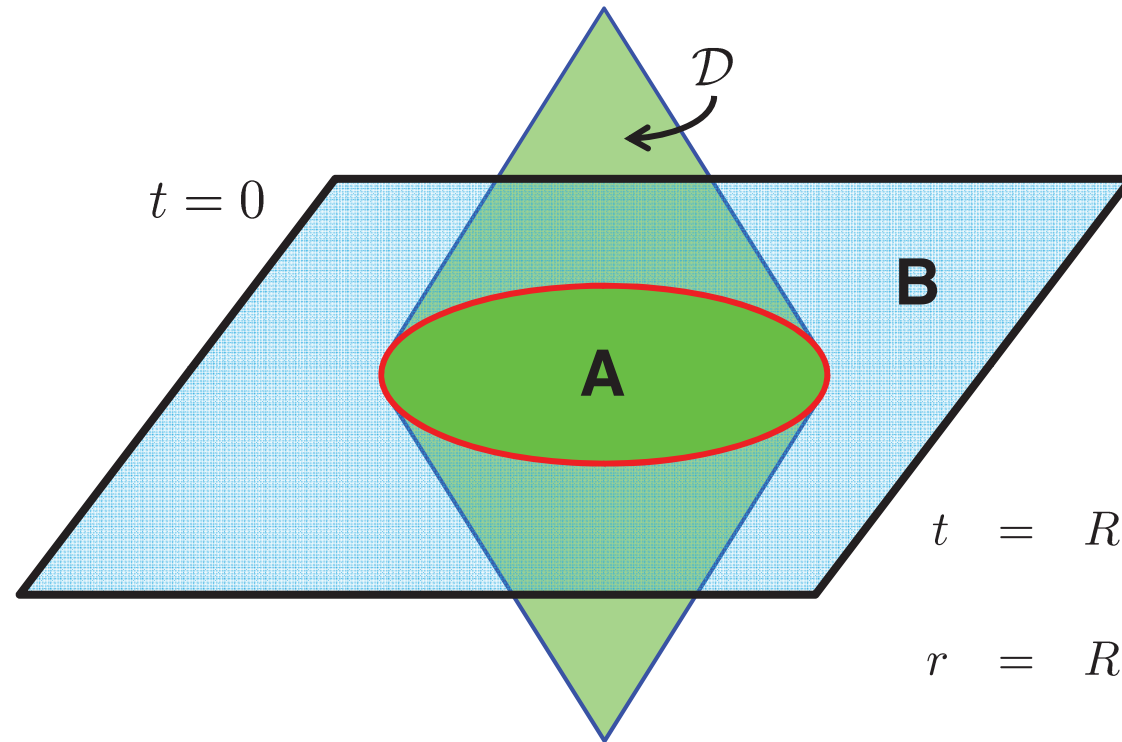
(Fursaev; Headrick)

- need another calculation with simpler holographic translation

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(Casini, Huerta & RCM)

- take **CFT** in d-dim. flat space and choose $\Sigma = S^{d-2}$ with radius R
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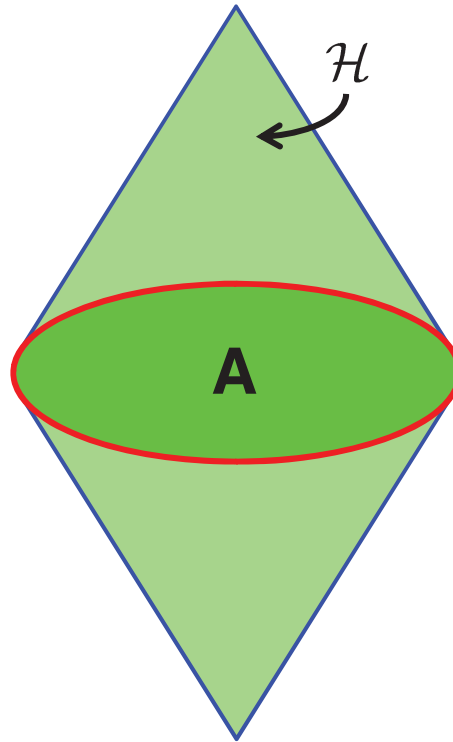
$$r = R \frac{\sinh u}{\cosh u + \cosh(\tau/R)}$$

- density matrix ρ_A describes physics in entire causal domain \mathcal{D}
- conformal mapping: $\mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{H} = R \times H^{d-1}$

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curvature scale: $1/R$

temperature: $T=1/2\pi R$!!

- for CFT: $\rho_{thermal} = U \rho_A U^{-1} \longrightarrow \boxed{S_{EE} = S_{thermal}}$

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 - by conformal mapping relate to thermal entropy on $\mathcal{H} = R \times H^{d-1}$ with $\mathcal{R} \sim 1/R^2$ and $T=1/2\pi R$

$$S_{EE} = S_{thermal}$$

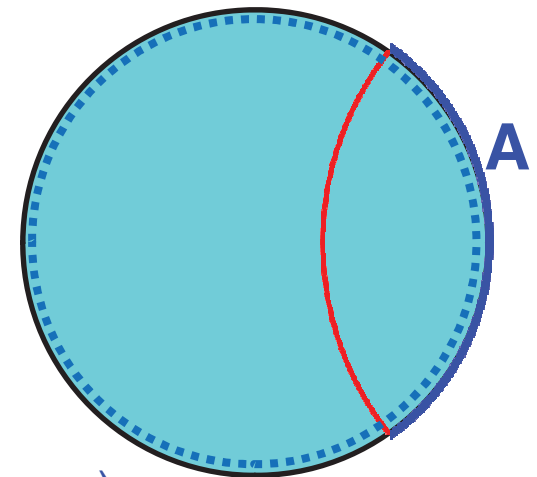
AdS/CFT correspondence:

- thermal bath in CFT = black hole in AdS

$$S_{EE} = S_{thermal} = S_{horizon}$$

- only need to find appropriate black hole
 - topological BH with hyperbolic horizon which intersects A on AdS boundary

(Aminneborg et al; Emparan; Mann; . . .)

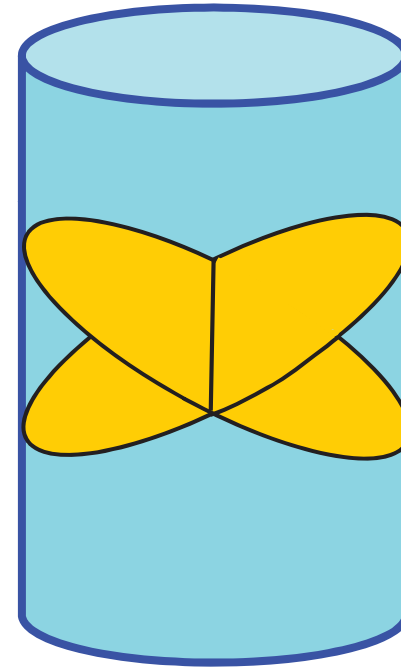


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- desired “black hole” is a hyperbolic foliation of empty AdS space

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- “Rindler coordinates” of AdS space



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- apply Wald’s formula (for any gravity theory) for horizon entropy:

$$\begin{aligned} S &= -2\pi \int d^{d-1}x \sqrt{h} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial R^{\mu\nu}_{\rho\sigma}} \hat{\varepsilon}^{\mu\nu} \hat{\varepsilon}_{\rho\sigma} \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{\pi^{d/2}} \Gamma(d/2) \frac{a_d^*}{R^{d-1}} V(H^{d-1}) \end{aligned}$$

(RCM & Sinha)

where a_d^* = central charge for “A-type trace anomaly”

for even d

= entanglement entropy defines effective central charge

for odd d

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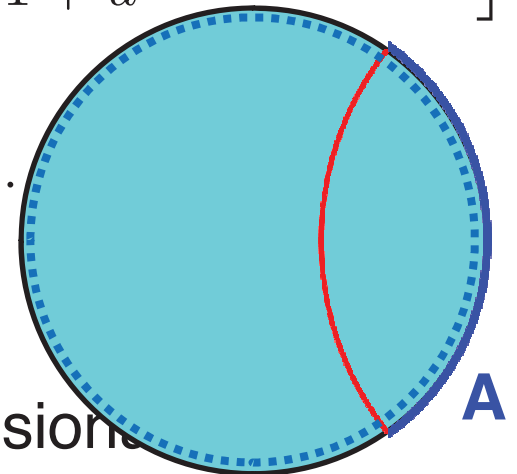
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“area law” for d-dimensions



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$$\dots + (-)^{\frac{d-1}{2}} 2\pi a_d^* + \dots \quad \text{for odd } d$$

- discussion extends to case with background $R^{1,d-1} \rightarrow R \times S^{d-1}$

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$$d=2: \quad S_n = \dots + \frac{c}{6} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right) \log (R/\delta) + \dots$$

(Calabrese & Cardy)

- (almost) no calculations for $d > 2$

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- “standard” calculation involves **singular** n-fold cover of spacetime
→ problematic for translation to dual AdS gravity
- our previous derivation lead to thermal density matrix

$$\rho_A = U^{-1} \frac{e^{-H/T_0}}{\text{Tr} [e^{-H/T_0}]} U \qquad \text{with} \quad T_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi R}$$

$$\text{Tr} [\rho_A^n] = \frac{\text{Tr} [e^{-nH/T_0}]}{\text{Tr} [e^{-H/T_0}]^n} \quad \leftarrow \text{partition function at new temperature, } T = T_0/n$$

Holographic Renyi entropy:

- Renyi entropy of CFT for spherical entangling surface:

$$S_n = \frac{n}{n-1} \frac{1}{T_0} \int_{T_0/n}^{T_0} S(T) dT \quad \text{where} \quad T_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi R}$$

- need to know topological black holes for arbitrary temperature
- focus on gravity theories where we can calculate: Einstein, Gauss-Bonnet, Lovelock, quasi-topological,
- for example, with GB gravity and (boundary) d=4:

$$S_n = \frac{n}{n-1} \frac{V(H^3)}{4\pi} \frac{3c-a}{3a-c} (1-x^2) \left[(5a-c)x^2 - (13a-5c) + 4a \frac{2ax^2 - (a-c)}{(3a-c)x^2 - (a-c)} \right]$$

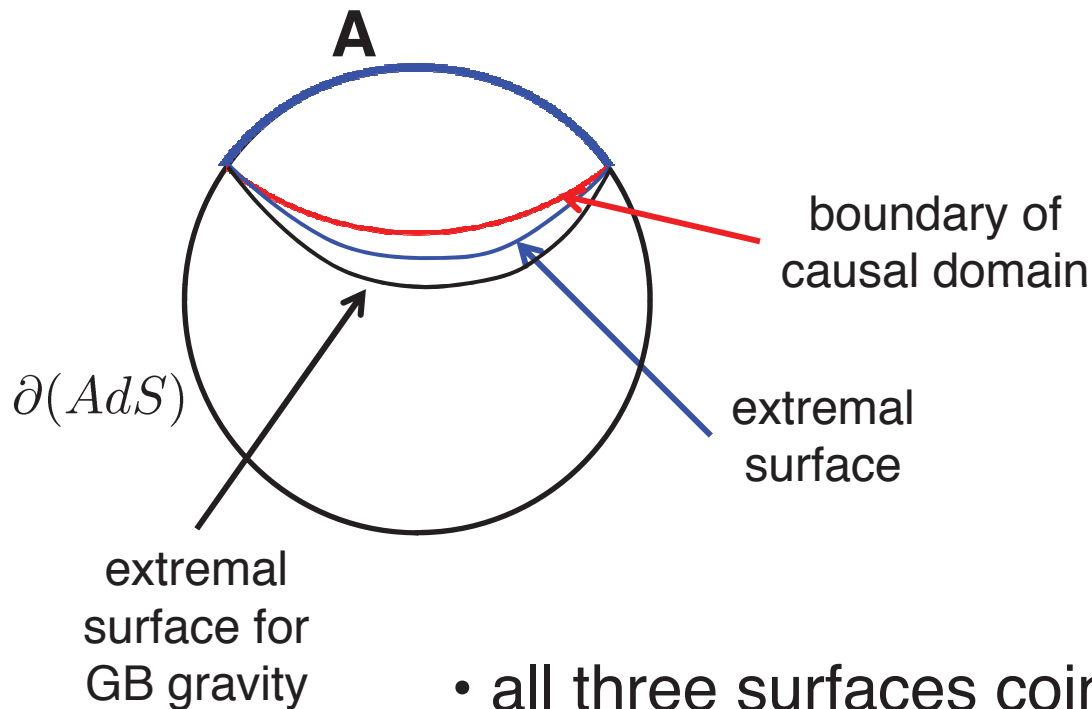
$$\text{where} \quad 0 = x^3 - \frac{3a-c}{5a-c} \left(\frac{x^2}{n} + x \right) + \frac{1}{n} \frac{a-c}{5a-c}$$

- further work shows the universal constant depends on more boundary data than central charges

General Lessons/Challenges:

- is there a “covariant” definition of holographic EE??
 (“covariant” = in terms of light sheets & causal structure)

(see, eg, Hubney, Rangamani & Takayanagi)



- differences in S_{EE} are infinite as $\delta \rightarrow 0$
- seems answer is: **NO**

- all three surfaces coincide for spherical Σ

→ Problem?: in general, entanglement H is **nonlocal**

What are the general rules?

Conclusions:

- AdS/CFT correspondence (gauge/gravity duality) has proven an excellent tool to study strongly coupled gauge theories
- holographic entanglement entropy is part of an interesting dialogue has opened between string theorists and physicists in a variety of fields (eg, condensed matter, nuclear physics, . . .)
- potential to learn lessons about issues in boundary theory
eg, readily calculate Renyi entropies for wide class of theories in higher dimensions
- potential to learn lessons about issues in bulk gravity theory
eg, holographic entanglement entropy may give new insight into quantum gravity or emergent spacetime

(eg, van Raamsdonk)

Lots to explore!