

# In-Out Formalism for Effective Actions in QED and Gravity

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# Heisenberg-Euler/Schwinger QED Action

- Maxwell theory and Dirac/Klein-Gordon theory are gauge invariant:

$$F = \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} (B^2 - E^2), \quad G = \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^* = B \cdot E$$

$$X = \sqrt{2(F + iG)} = X_r + iX_i$$

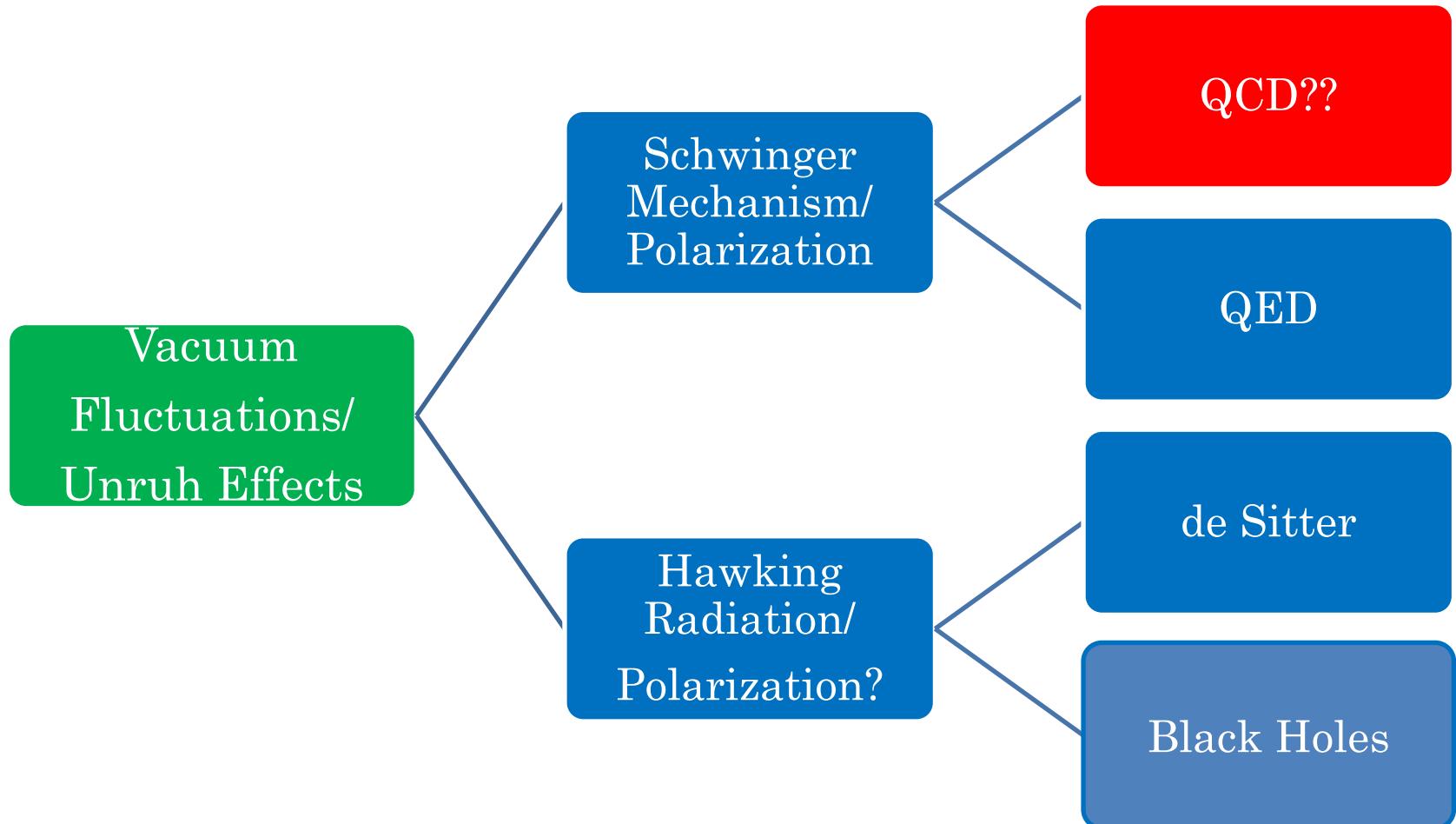
- The Heisenberg-Euler/Schwinger effective action per volume and time [J. Schwinger, “On gauge invariance and vacuum polarization,” Phys. Rev. 82 (‘51); DeWitt: “**This is one of the great papers of all time.**”]

$$L_{\text{eff}} = -F - \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_0^\infty ds \frac{e^{-m^2 s}}{s^3} \left[ (qs)^2 G \frac{\text{Re} \cosh(qXs)}{\text{Im} \cosh(qXs)} - 1 - \frac{2}{3} (qs)^2 F \right]$$

# Unified Picture for Spontaneous Pair Production

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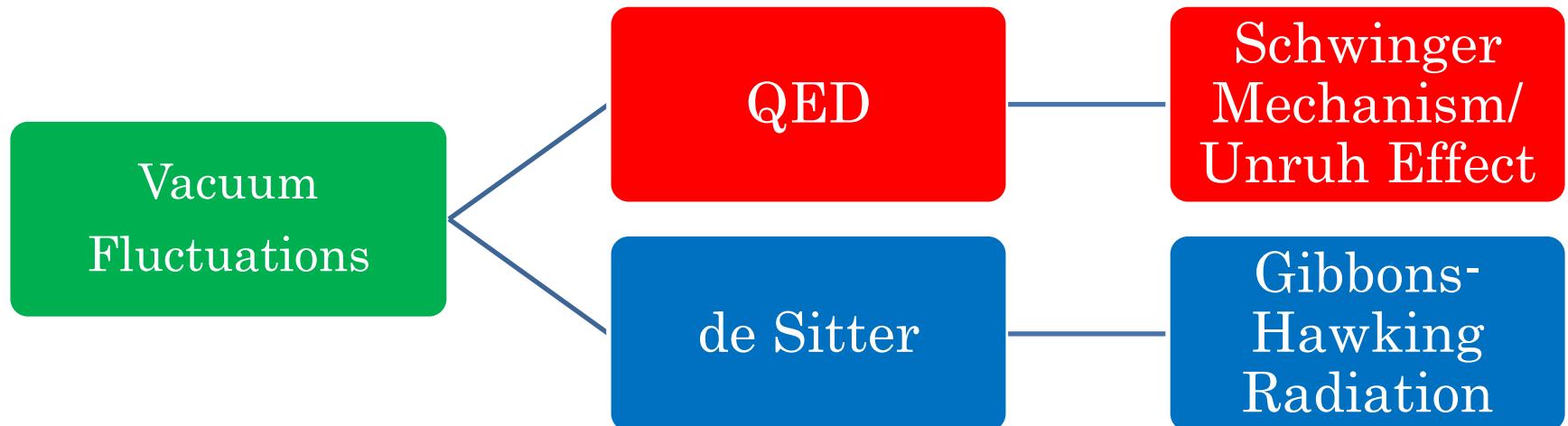
[SPK, JHEP ('07)]



# Schwinger Effect in (A)dS

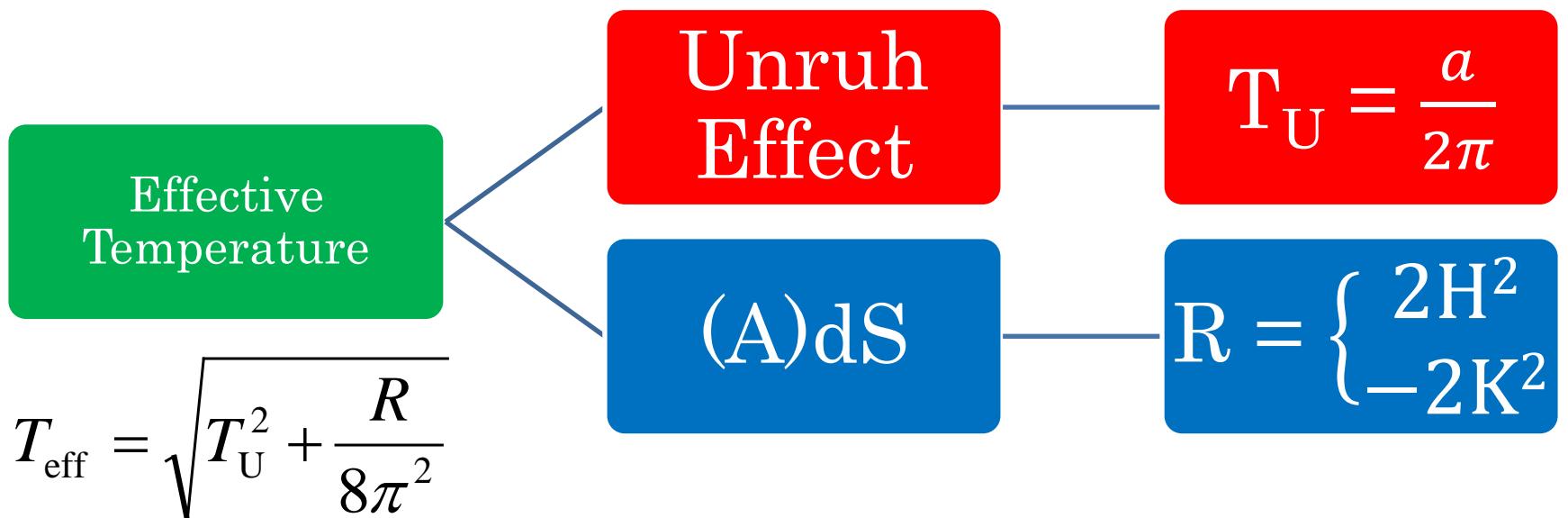
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Near Horizon Geometry of Near-Extremal Black Hole:  
 $\text{AdS}_2 \times \text{S}^2$

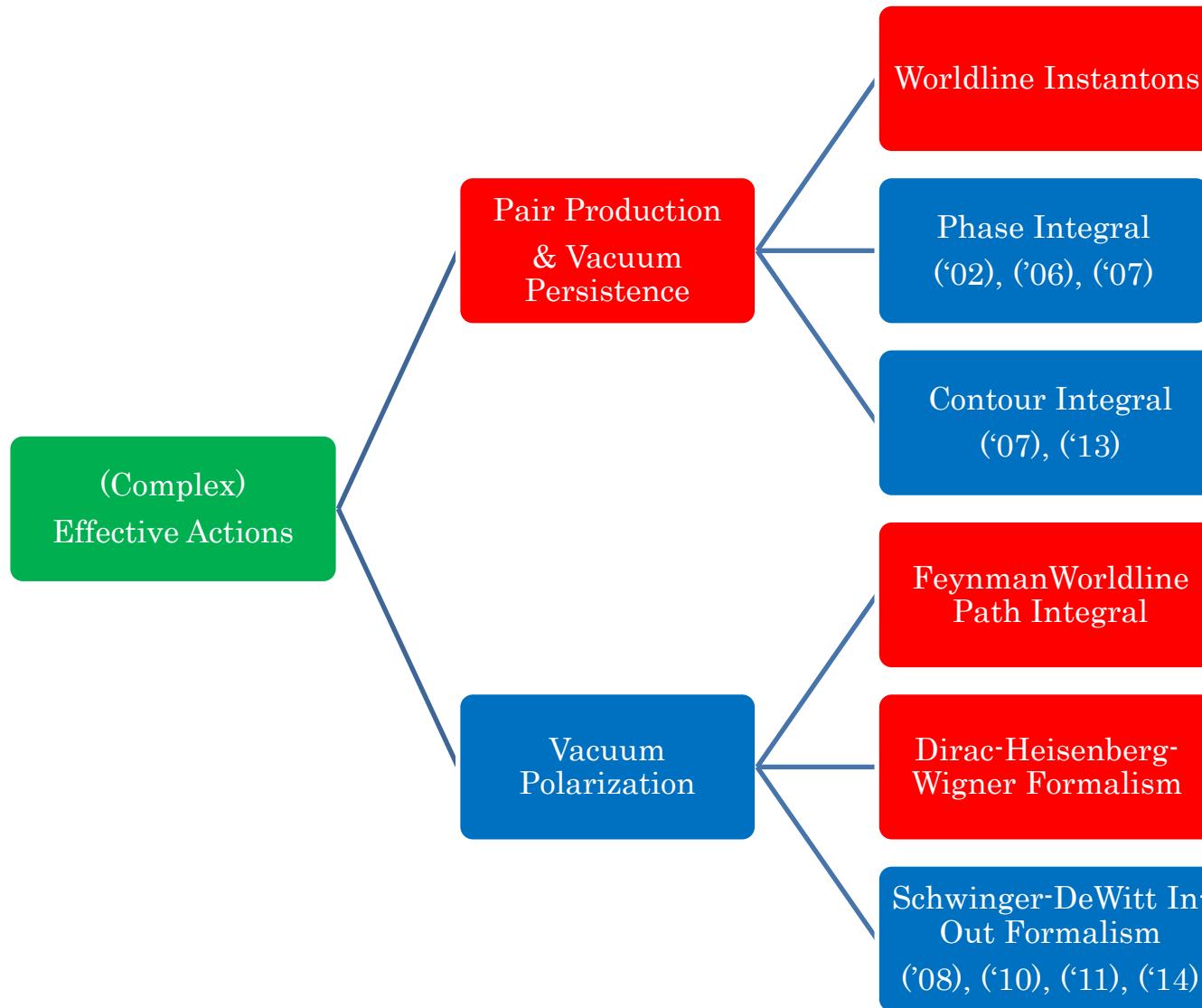


# Effective Temperature for Unruh Effect in (A)dS<sub>2</sub>

[Narnhofer, Peter, Thirring, IJMP B10 ('96); Deser, Levin, CGG 14 ('97)]



# Methods for Schwinger Mechanism & Effective Actions



# Effective Actions in In-Out Formalism

# One-Loop Effective Actions

- In the in-out formalism via the Schwinger variational principle, the vacuum persistence amplitude (S-matrix) gives the effective action [Schwinger, PNAS ('51); DeWitt, Phys. Rep. ('75); *The Global Approach to Quantum Field Theory* ('03)]; equivalent to Feynman path integral

$$e^{iW} = e^{i \int (-g)^{1/2} d^D x L_{\text{eff}}} = \langle 0, \text{out} | 0, \text{in} \rangle$$

- The vacuum persistence and pair production

$$|\langle 0, \text{out} | 0, \text{in} \rangle|^2 = e^{-2 \text{Im} W}$$

$$2 \text{Im} W = \pm V T \sum_k \ln(1 \pm N_k)$$

# Bogoliubov Transformation & In-Out Formalism

- The Bogoliubov transformation between the in-state and the out-state, equivalent to the S-matrix,

$$a_{k,\text{out}} = \alpha_{k,\text{in}} a_{k,\text{in}} + \beta_{k,\text{in}}^* b_{k,\text{in}}^+ = U_k a_{k,\text{in}} U_k^+$$

$$b_{k,\text{out}} = \alpha_{k,\text{in}} b_{k,\text{in}} + \beta_{k,\text{in}}^* a_{k,\text{in}}^+ = U_k b_{k,\text{in}} U_k^+$$

- Commutation relations from quantization rule (CTP):

$$\left[ a_{k,\text{out}}, a_{p,\text{out}}^+ \right] = \delta(k - p), \quad \left[ b_{k,\text{out}}, b_{p,\text{out}}^+ \right] = \delta(k - p);$$

$$\left\{ a_{k,\text{out}}, a_{p,\text{out}}^+ \right\} = \delta(k - p), \quad \left\{ b_{k,\text{out}}, b_{p,\text{out}}^+ \right\} = \delta(k - p)$$

- Particle (pair) production

$$N_k = |\beta_k|^2; \quad |\alpha_k|^2 \mp |\beta_k|^2 = 1$$

# Out-Vacuum from In-Vacuum

- For bosons, the out-vacuum is the multi-particle states of but unitary inequivalent  $\langle 0;\text{out} | 0;\text{in} \rangle = 0$  to the in-vacuum:

$$|0;\text{out}\rangle = \prod_k U_k |0;\text{in}\rangle = \prod_k \frac{1}{\alpha_{k,\text{in}}} \sum_{n_k} \left( -\frac{\beta_{k,\text{in}}^*}{\alpha_{k,\text{in}}} \right)^{n_k} |n_k, \bar{n}_k; \text{in}\rangle$$

- The out-vacuum for fermions (Pauli blocking):

$$|0;\text{out}\rangle = \prod_k U_k |0;\text{in}\rangle = \prod_k \left( -\beta_{k,\text{in}}^* |1_k, \bar{1}_k; \text{in}\rangle + \alpha_{k,\text{in}} |0_k, \bar{0}_k; \text{in}\rangle \right)$$

# Out-Vacuum from S-Matrix

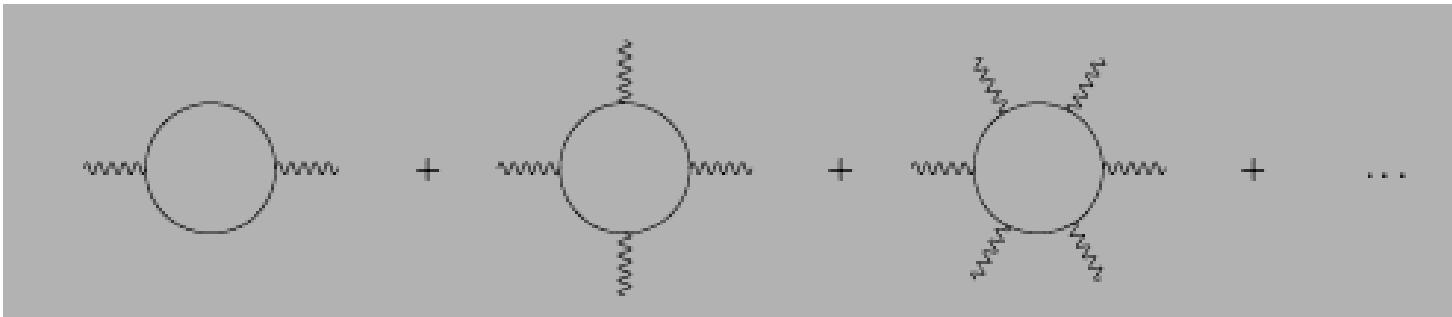
- The out-vacuum in terms of the S-matrix (evolution operator) for scalar

$$U_k = S_k P_k, \quad \begin{cases} P_k = \exp[i\theta_k (a_{k,\text{in}}^+ a_{k,\text{in}} + b_{k,\text{in}}^+ b_{k,\text{in}} + 1)] \\ S_k = \exp[r_k (a_{k,\text{in}} b_{k,\text{in}} e^{-2i\varphi_k} - a_{k,\text{in}}^+ b_{k,\text{in}}^+ e^{-2i\varphi_k})] \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha_k = e^{-i\vartheta_k} \cosh r_k, \quad \beta_k^* = -e^{-i\vartheta_k} (e^{i2\varphi_k} \sinh r_k)$$

- The diagrammatic representation for pair production

$$|\text{out}\rangle = \prod_k e^{-i\vartheta_k} \exp[r_k (a_{k,\text{in}} b_{k,\text{in}} e^{-2i\varphi_k} - a_{k,\text{in}}^+ b_{k,\text{in}}^+ e^{-2i\varphi_k})] |\text{in}\rangle$$



# Effective Actions at T=0 & T

- Zero-temperature effective action for scalar and spinor [SKP, Lee, Yoon, PRD 78 ('08); 82 ('10); SPK, PRD 84 ('11); Bastianelli, SPK, Schubert, kinematic method ('15)]

$$W = -i \ln \langle 0, \text{out} | 0, \text{in} \rangle = \pm i \sum_k \ln \alpha_k^*$$

- finite-temperature effective action for scalar and spinor [SKP, Lee, Yoon, PRD 79 ('09); 82 ('10)]

$$\exp[i \int d^3x dt L_{\text{eff}}] = \langle 0, \beta, \text{in} | U^+ | 0, \beta, \text{in} \rangle = \frac{\text{Tr}(U^+ \rho_{\text{in}})}{\text{Tr}(\rho_{\text{in}})}$$

# Thermofield Dynamics

- Thermal vacuum [Takahashi, Umezawa ('75)]

$$|0, \beta, \text{in}\rangle = \frac{1}{Z_{\text{in}}^{1/2}} \sum_k \sum_{\sigma} \exp[-\beta E_{n_k, \text{in}} / 2] |n_k, \text{in}\rangle \otimes \langle \tilde{n}_k, \text{in}|$$

- Thermal expectation value: the expectation value in the thermal vacuum

$$\langle O \rangle_\beta = \text{Tr}(O \rho_{\text{in}}) = \langle 0, \beta, \text{in} | O | 0, \beta, \text{in} \rangle$$

- Finite-temperature field theory is equivalent to zero-temperature field theory in the “thermal vacuum”.

# Effective Action at T

- Expectation value of U in thermal vacuum

$$\exp[i \int d^3x dt L_{\text{eff}}] = \langle 0, \beta, \text{in} | U^+ | 0, \beta, \text{in} \rangle = \frac{\text{Tr}(U^+ \rho_{\text{in}})}{\text{Tr}(\rho_{\text{in}})}$$

- Effective action per unit volume and time

$$L_{\text{eff}} = \mp i \sum_{k,\sigma} \left[ \ln(1 \pm e^{-\beta(\omega_k - z_k)}) - \underbrace{\beta z_k}_{\text{vacuum effective action}} - \underbrace{\ln(1 \pm e^{-\beta\omega_k})}_{\text{zero field subtraction}} \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_k} = e^{\beta z_k}, \quad z_k = z_r(k) + i z_i(k)$$

# Vacuum Polarization & Persistence

- Purely thermal part of the effective action

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta L_{\text{eff}}(T, E) &= L_{\text{eff}}(T, E) - L_{\text{eff}}(T = 0, E) \\ &= \mp i \sum_{k, \sigma} \left[ \ln \left( 1 \pm e^{-\beta(\omega_k - z_k)} \right) - \ln \left( 1 \pm e^{-\beta\omega_k} \right) \right]\end{aligned}$$

- Imaginary part of the effective action

$$\text{Im}(\Delta L_{\text{eff}}) = \pm \frac{1}{2} i \sum_{k, \sigma} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\mp n_{FD/BE}(k))^j}{j} \left[ (e^{\beta z_k} - 1)^j + (e^{\beta z_k^*} - 1)^j \right]$$

- Real part of the effective action

$$\text{Re}(\Delta L_{\text{eff}}(T)) = \mp \sum_{k, \sigma} \arctan \left[ \frac{\sin(\text{Re } L_{\text{eff}}(T = 0, k))}{e^{\beta\omega_k} (1 + |\beta_k|^2)^{(1+2|\sigma|)/2} \pm \cos(\text{Re } L_{\text{eff}}(T = 0, k))} \right]$$

# Pair Production at T

- Imaginary part of the effective action (the limit of small mean number of produced pairs)

$$2 \operatorname{Im} \Delta L_{\text{eff}}(T) \approx \mp \sum_{k,\sigma} |\beta_k|^2 n_{FD/BE}(k)$$

- Consistent with the pair-production rate at T [SPK, Lee, PRD 76 ('07); SPK, Lee, Yoon, PRD 79 ('09)]

$$N^{\text{sp/sc}}(T) = \begin{cases} \sum_k |\beta_k|^2 \tanh(\beta\omega_k / 2) \\ \sum_k |\beta_k|^2 \coth(\beta\omega_k / 2) \end{cases}$$

# Gamma-Function Regularization

# $\Gamma$ -Function Regularization

- Most of soluble models in QED and gravity have the Bogoliubov coefficients of the form

$$\alpha_k = A_k \prod \frac{\Gamma(a \pm ib)}{\Gamma(c \pm id)}; \quad \beta_k = B_k \prod \frac{\Gamma(f \pm ig)}{\Gamma(h \pm ik)}$$

- a, ..., h: integers or half-integers depending on spins
- Constants  $A_k$  and  $B_k$  to be regulated away
- Integral representation for gamma-function

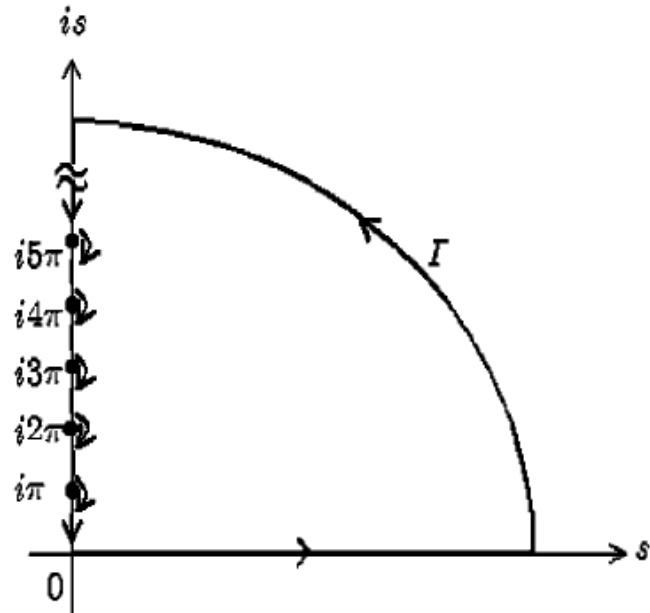
$$\ln \Gamma(a \pm ib) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z} \left[ \frac{e^{-(a \pm ib)z}}{1 - e^{-z}} - \frac{e^{-z}}{1 - e^{-z}} + (a \pm ib - 1)e^{-z} \right]$$

# $\Gamma$ -Function Regularization

- $\Gamma$ -regularization [SPK, Lee, Yoon, PRD 78 ('08), PRD 82 ('10); SPK, IJMP-CS 12 ('12)]

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z} \frac{e^{-(a\pm ib)z}}{1-e^{-z}} = P \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} \frac{e^{-(a\pm ib)(\mp is)}}{1-e^{\pm is}} \mp \pi i \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{e^{-(a\pm ib)(\mp 2n\pi i)}}{\mp 2n\pi i}$$

- Cauchy residue theorem



# QED Action in Constant E

- Bogoliubov coefficient for scalar and spinor in constant E-field [SPK, Lee, Yoon, PRD 78 ('08)]

$$\alpha_k = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{\Gamma(-p)} e^{-i(p+1)\pi/2}, \quad p = -\frac{1}{2} + \sigma - i \frac{m^2 + k^2}{2(qE)}$$

- Effective action for scalar/volume and time

$$L_{sc}(E) = -i \frac{qE}{4\pi} \int \frac{d^2 k_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} \int_0^\infty ds \frac{e^{(p^* + 1/2)s}}{s} \left[ \frac{1}{\sinh(s/2)} - \underbrace{\left( \frac{2}{s} - \frac{s}{12} \right)}_{\text{Schwinger subtraction}} \right]$$

- Contour integral in 1<sup>st</sup> quadrant and residue theorem

# QED Vacuum Polarization

- Scalar QED: renormalized effective action per volume and per time for a constant E-field

$$L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{sc}}(E) = -\frac{(qE)^2}{16\pi^2} P \int_0^\infty ds \frac{e^{-m^2 s/qE}}{s^2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sin s} - \frac{1}{s} - \frac{s}{6} \right]$$

- Spinor QED: renormalized effective action per volume and per time for a constant E-field

$$L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{sp}}(E) = \frac{(qE)^2}{8\pi^2} P \int_0^\infty ds \frac{e^{-m^2 s/qE}}{s^2} \left[ \cot(s) - \frac{1}{s} + \frac{s}{3} \right]$$

# QED Vacuum Persistence & Schwinger Pair Production

- Spinor QED: Schwinger pair production in a constant E-field

$$2 \operatorname{Im}(L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{sp}}) = \frac{(qE)^2}{4\pi^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \exp\left[-\frac{\pi m^2 n}{qE}\right] = -\frac{2qE}{2\pi} \int \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{(2\pi)^2} \ln(1 - N_k)$$

- Scalar QED: Schwinger pair production

$$2 \operatorname{Im}(L_{\text{eff}}^{\text{sc}}) = \frac{(qE)^2}{8\pi^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} \exp\left[-\frac{\pi m^2 n}{qE}\right] = \frac{qE}{2\pi} \int \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{(2\pi)^2} \ln(1 + N_k),$$

$$N_k = e^{-\frac{\pi(m^2 + k_{\perp}^2)}{qE}}$$

# QED Action in $E(t) = E_0 \operatorname{sech}^2(t/\tau)$

[SPK, Lee, Yoon, PRD 78 ('08)]

- Bogoliubov coefficient and effective action

$$\alpha_{\omega k \sigma}^* = \frac{\Gamma((1 - 2\sigma - 2i\tau\omega_{(-)})/2)\Gamma((1 - 2\sigma - 2i\tau\omega_{(+)})/2)}{\Gamma((1 - 2\sigma - i\Omega_{(-)})/2)\Gamma((1 - 2\sigma - i\Omega_{(+)})/2)}$$

$$L = (-1)^{2|\sigma|} \frac{1 + 2|\sigma|}{2} \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} P \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} \left[ e^{-\Omega_{(+)} s/2} + e^{-\Omega_{(-)} s/2} - e^{-\tau\omega_{(+)} s} - e^{-\tau\omega_{(-)} s} \right] G_\sigma(s)$$

$$\omega_{(\pm)} = \sqrt{(k_z \mp qE_0\tau)^2 + (m^2 + k_x^2 + k_y^2)}$$

$$\Omega_{(\pm)} = \tau[\omega_{(+)} + \omega_{(-)}] \pm 2(qE_0\tau^2) \sqrt{1 - (1 - 2|\sigma|)/(2qE_0\tau^2)^2}$$

- Imaginary part from the mean number of pairs

$$\operatorname{Im}(L_{\text{eff}}) = (-1)^{2|\sigma|} \frac{1 + 2|\sigma|}{2} \int \frac{dk^3}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left( \frac{(1 + (-1)^{2|\sigma|} e^{-\pi\Omega_{(+)}})(1 + (-1)^{2|\sigma|} e^{-\pi\Omega_{(-)}})}{(1 - e^{-2\pi\tau\omega_{(+)}})(1 - e^{-2\pi\tau\omega_{(-}})} \right)$$

# QED Action in $E(z) = E_0 \operatorname{sech}^2(z/L)$

[SPK, Lee, Yoon, PRD 82 ('10)]

- Bogoliubov coefficient and effective action

$$\alpha_{\omega k\sigma}^* = \frac{\Gamma((1-2\sigma-i\Delta_{(-)})/2)\Gamma((1-2\sigma-i\Delta_{(+)})/2)}{\Gamma((1-2\sigma-i\Omega_{(-)})/2)\Gamma((1-2\sigma-i\Omega_{(+)})/2)}$$

$$L = (-1)^{2|\sigma|} \frac{1+2|\sigma|}{2} \int \frac{d\omega d^2k_\perp}{(2\pi)^3} P \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} \left[ e^{-\Omega_{(+)}s/2} - e^{\Omega_{(-)}s/2} - e^{-\Delta_{(+)}s/2} + e^{\Delta_{(-)}s/2} \right] G_\sigma(s)$$

$$P_{3(\pm)} = \sqrt{(\omega \mp qE_0 L)^2 - (m^2 + k_x^2 + k_y^2)}$$

$$\Omega_{(\pm)} = L[P_{3(+)} + P_{3(-)}] \pm 2(qE_0 L^2) \sqrt{1 - (1-2|\sigma|)/(2qE_0 L^2)^2}$$

$$\Delta_{(\pm)} = L[P_{3(+)} - P_{3(-)}] \pm 2(qE_0 L^2) \sqrt{1 - (1-2|\sigma|)/(2qE_0 L^2)^2}$$

- The imaginary part and the mean number of pairs

$$\operatorname{Im}(L) = (-1)^{2|\sigma|} \frac{1+2|\sigma|}{2} \int \frac{d\omega d^2k_\perp}{(2\pi)^3} \ln \left( \frac{(1+(-1)^{2|\sigma|} e^{-\pi\Omega_{(+)}})(1+(-1)^{2|\sigma|} e^{\pi\Omega_{(-)}})}{(1+(-1)^{2|\sigma|} e^{-\pi\Delta_{(+)}})(1+(-1)^{2|\sigma|} e^{\pi\Delta_{(-)}})} \right)$$

# QED Action in $B(z) = B_0 \operatorname{sech}^2(z/L)$

[SPK, PRD 84 ('11)]

- Jost functions and inverse scattering matrix for magnetic fields
- Inverse scattering matrix and effective action

$$M = \frac{\Gamma((1-2\sigma + \Delta_{(+)})/2)\Gamma((1-2\sigma - \Omega_{(-)})/2)}{\Gamma((1-2\sigma - \Delta_{(-)})/2)\Gamma((1-2\sigma + \Omega_{(+})/2)}$$

$$L = (-1)^{2|\sigma|} \frac{1+2|\sigma|}{2} \int \frac{d\tilde{\omega} d^2 k_\perp}{(2\pi)^3} P \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} \left[ e^{-\Omega_{(+)} s/2} - e^{\Omega_{(-)} s/2} - e^{-\Delta_{(+)} s/2} + e^{\Delta_{(-)} s/2} \right] F_\sigma(s)$$

$$\Pi_{(\pm)} = \sqrt{(k_y \mp qB_0 L)^2 - (\omega^2 - m^2 - k_z^2)}$$

$$\Omega_{(\pm)} = L[\Pi_{(+)} + \Pi_{(-)}] \pm 2(qB_0 L^2) \sqrt{1 + (1-2|\sigma|)/(2qB_0 L^2)^2}$$

$$\Delta_{(\pm)} = L[\Pi_{(+)} - \Pi_{(-)}] \pm 2(qB_0 L^2) \sqrt{1 + (1-2|\sigma|)/(2qB_0 L^2)^2}$$

# $\Gamma$ -Function for Supercritical Fields and Massless QED

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- Ramanujan formula for the gamma function

$$\ln \Gamma\left(z + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \underbrace{\left(z + \frac{1}{2}\right) \ln z - z + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi)}_{\text{vacuum energy \& charge renormalization}} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{2k}}{(2k)(2k-1)z^{2k-1}}$$

- Schwinger action in constant  $B$  in power series [SPK, Lee, arXiv:1406.4292]

$$L_{sp}^{(1)}(\beta = m^2 / (2qB)) = \frac{m^4}{(2\pi)^2 (2\beta)} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{B_{2k}}{(2k)(2k-1)(2k-2)} \frac{1}{\beta^{2k-1}}$$

# $\Gamma$ -Function for Supercritical Fields

- Whittaker-Watson formula for gamma function

$$\ln \Gamma(z) = (z - \frac{1}{2}) \ln z - z + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{(k+1)(k+2)(z+n)^{k+1}}$$

- Schwinger action in constant B or E in Hurwitz zeta function [SPK, Lee, arXiv:1406.4292]

$$L_{sp}^{(1)}(\beta) = \left( \frac{m^2}{4\pi\beta} \right)^2 \left[ 2\zeta'(-1, \beta) - \left( \beta^2 - \beta + \frac{1}{6} \right) \ln(\beta) + \frac{\beta^2}{2} - \frac{1}{6} \right]$$

$$L_{sp}^{(1)}(\varepsilon) = - \left( \frac{m^2}{4\pi\varepsilon} \right)^2 \left[ 2\zeta'(-1, i\varepsilon) + \left( \varepsilon^2 + i\varepsilon - \frac{1}{6} \right) \ln(i\varepsilon) - \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} - \frac{1}{6} \right]$$

# QED in (A)dS<sub>2</sub>

# Schwinger formula in (A)dS<sub>2</sub>

- (A)dS metric and the gauge potential for E

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + e^{2Ht}dx^2, \quad A_1 = -(E/H)(e^{Ht} - 1)$$

$$ds^2 = -e^{2Kx}dt^2 + dx^2, \quad A_0 = -(E/K)(e^{Kx} - 1)$$

- Schwinger formula for scalars in (A)dS<sub>2</sub> [SPK, Page, PRD ('08)]

$$N = e^{-S}, \quad \begin{cases} S_{dS} = 2\pi \left[ \sqrt{\left(qE/H^2\right)^2 + \left(m/H\right)^2 - 1/4} - qE/H^2 \right] \\ S_{AdS} = 2\pi \left[ qE/K^2 - \sqrt{\left(qE/K^2\right)^2 - \left(m/K\right)^2 - 1/4} \right] \end{cases}$$

# Effective Temperature for Schwinger formula

- Effective temperature for accelerating observer in (A)dS [Narnhofer, Peter, Thirring, IJMP B10 ('96); Deser, Levin, CQG 14 ('97)]

$$N = e^{-m/T_{\text{eff}}} , \quad T_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{T_{\text{U}}^2 + \frac{R}{8\pi^2}} , \quad R = 2H^2(-2K^2)$$

- Effective temperature for Schwinger formula in (A)dS [Cai, SPK, JHEP ('14)]

$$N = e^{-\bar{m}/T_{\text{eff}}} , \quad \bar{m} = \sqrt{m^2 - \frac{R}{8}} , \quad T_{\text{U}} = \frac{qE}{m} , \quad T_{\text{GH}} = \frac{H}{2\pi}$$

$$T_{\text{dS}} = \sqrt{T_{\text{U}}^2 + T_{\text{GH}}^2} + T_{\text{U}} ; \quad T_{\text{AdS}} = \sqrt{T_{\text{U}}^2 + \frac{R}{8\pi^2}} + T_{\text{U}}$$

# Scalar QED Action in dS<sub>2</sub>

- Pair production and vacuum polarization [Cai, SPK, JHEP ('14)]

$$N_{\text{dS}} = \frac{e^{-(S_\mu - S_\lambda)} + e^{-2S_\mu}}{1 - e^{-2S_\mu}}, \quad 2 \operatorname{Im} W_{\text{dS}}^{(1)} = \ln(1 + N_{\text{dS}})$$

$$L_{\text{dS}}^{(1)} = \frac{H^2 S_\mu}{4(2\pi)^2} P \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} \left[ e^{-(S_\mu - S_\lambda)s/2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{\sin(s/2)} - \frac{2}{s} - \frac{s}{12} \right) - e^{-S_\mu s/\pi} \left( \frac{\cos(s/2)}{\sin(s/2)} - \frac{2}{s} + \frac{s}{6} \right) \right]$$

$$S_\mu = 2\pi \sqrt{\left(\frac{qE}{H^2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{H}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4}}, \quad S_\lambda = 2\pi \frac{qE}{H^2}$$

# Scalar QED Action in AdS<sub>2</sub>

- Pair production and vacuum polarization

$$N_{\text{AdS}} = \frac{e^{-(S_\kappa - S_\nu)} - e^{-(S_\kappa + S_\nu)}}{1 + e^{-(S_\kappa + S_\nu)}}, \quad 2 \operatorname{Im} W_{\text{AdS}}^{(1)} = \ln(1 + N_{\text{AdS}})$$

$$L_{\text{AdS}}^{(1)} = -\frac{K^2 S_\nu}{4(2\pi)^2} P \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} e^{-S_\kappa s / 2\pi} \cosh(S_\nu s / 2\pi) \left[ \frac{1}{\sin(s/2)} - \frac{2}{s} - \frac{s}{12} \right]$$

$$S_\nu = 2\pi \sqrt{\left(\frac{qE}{K^2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{m}{H}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4}}, \quad S_\kappa = 2\pi \frac{qE}{K^2}$$

# Spinor QED Action in dS<sub>2</sub>

- Pair production and vacuum polarization [SPK ('15)]

$$N_{\text{ds}}^{\text{sp}} = \frac{e^{-(S_\mu - S_\lambda)} - e^{-2S_\mu}}{1 - e^{-2S_\mu}}, \quad 2 \operatorname{Im} W_{\text{dS}}^{(1)} = -\ln(1 - N_{\text{ds}}^{\text{sp}})$$

$$L_{\text{dS}}^{\text{sp}} = -\frac{H^2 S_\mu}{2(2\pi)^2} P \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} \left( e^{-(S_\mu - S_\lambda)s/2\pi} - e^{-S_\mu s/\pi} \right) \left( \cot\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) - \frac{2}{s} + \frac{s}{6} \right)$$

$$S_\mu = 2\pi \sqrt{\left(\frac{qE}{H^2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{m}{H}\right)^2}, \quad S_\lambda = 2\pi \frac{qE}{H^2}$$

# Spinor QED Action in AdS<sub>2</sub>

- Pair production and vacuum polarization [SPK ('15)]

$$N_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{sp}} = \frac{e^{-(S_\kappa - S_\nu)} - e^{-(S_\kappa + S_\nu)}}{1 - e^{-(S_\kappa + S_\nu)}}, \quad 2 \operatorname{Im} W_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{sp}} = -\ln(1 - N_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{sp}})$$

$$L_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{sp}} = -\frac{K^2 S_\nu}{2(2\pi)^2} P \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} \left( e^{-(S_\kappa - S_\nu)s/2\pi} - e^{-(S_\kappa + S_\nu)s/2\pi} \right) \left( \cot\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) - \frac{2}{s} + \frac{s}{6} \right)$$

$$S_\nu = 2\pi \sqrt{\left(\frac{qE}{K^2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{m}{K}\right)^2}, \quad S_\kappa = 2\pi \frac{qE}{K^2}$$

# Gauge-Gravity & dS-AdS Relation

- Gauge-gravity relation for QED action and Schwinger effect: Strong E-field to weak R or vice versa

$$F_{\text{Maxwell scalar}} = E^2 / 4 \Leftrightarrow R_{\text{scalar}} = 2H^2 / -2K^2$$

- Duality between dS and AdS for pair production

$$N_{\text{dS}}^{\text{sc}}(R)N_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{sc}}(R) = 1 = N_{\text{dS}}^{\text{sp}}(R)N_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{sp}}(R)$$

- Massive scalar in a self-dual EM field in 4d-D = massive spinor in 2d-D AdS at one-loop [Basar, Dunne, JPA 43 ('10)]

D = 4d gauge (massive scalar)  $\Leftrightarrow$  D = 2d gravity (massive spinor)

maximally symmetric gauge field  $\Leftrightarrow$  maximally symmetric gravitational curvature

$$m^2 / 2f \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{m^2 / R}$$

# Conclusion

- Introduce the Schwinger-DeWitt in-out formalism for effective actions for QED and gravity.
- Gamma-function regularization for strong fields
  - Heisenberg-Euler and Schwinger proper-time integral
  - Hurwitz zeta function for supercritical field (massless QED)
  - Consistent with the vacuum persistence (Schwinger effect or Hawking radiation)
  - QED in (Anti) de Sitter space
- Still ample room for other background fields such as Yang-Mills, curved spacetimes and black holes.

# Schwinger Effect from Charged Black Hole

# Thermal Interpretation of Schwinger Effect from BH

- Thermal interpretation of Schwinger formula for charged scalars and fermions from near-extremal charged black hole with horizon geometry  $\text{AdS}_2 \times \text{S}^2$  [SPK, Lee, Yoon ('15)]

$$N_{NBH} = \left( \frac{e^{-\frac{\bar{m}}{T_{RN}}} - e^{-\frac{\bar{m}}{\bar{T}_{RN}}}}{1 \pm e^{-\frac{\bar{m}}{\bar{T}_{RN}}}} \right) \times \left( \frac{1 \mp e^{-\frac{\omega - qA_0}{T_H}}}{1 + e^{-(\frac{\omega - qA_0}{T_H} + \frac{\bar{m}}{T_{RN}})}} \right),$$

$$T_{RN} = T_U + \sqrt{T_U^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2\pi Q}\right)^2}, \quad \bar{T}_{RN} = T_U - \sqrt{T_U^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2\pi Q}\right)^2}$$

$$T_U = \frac{qE_H/\bar{m}}{2\pi} = \frac{q}{2\pi\bar{m}Q}, \quad \bar{m} = m\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{l+1/2}{mQ}\right)^2}$$

# Schwinger Effect and Hawking Radiation

- Thermal interpretation of Schwinger formula for charged scalars and fermions in spherical harmonics [SPK, Lee, Yoon ('15); SPK ('15)]

$$N_{NBH} = e^{\frac{\bar{m}}{T_{RN}}} \times \left( \frac{e^{-\frac{\bar{m}}{T_{RN}}} - e^{-\frac{\bar{m}}{\bar{T}_{RN}}}}{1 \pm e^{-\frac{\bar{m}}{\bar{T}_{RN}}}} \right) \times \left( \frac{e^{-\frac{\bar{m}}{T_{RN}}} (1 \mp e^{-\frac{\omega-qA_0}{T_H}})}{1 + e^{-\frac{\omega-qA_0}{T_H}} e^{-\frac{\bar{m}}{T_{RN}}}} \right)$$

Schwinger Effect in AdS<sub>2</sub>  
Cai & SPK JHEP ('14)

Schwinger Effect in Rindler Space  
Gabriel & Spindel AP ('00)  
Hawking Radiation of charges