

Entanglement and differential entropy for massive flavors

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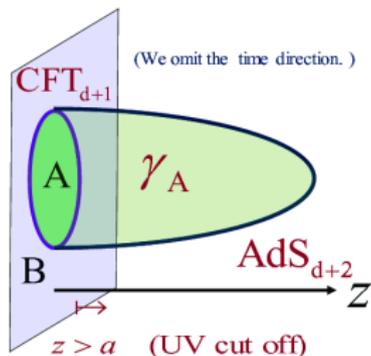
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Introduction

- There has been considerable interest recently in entanglement entropy.



(Takayanagi)

- $S_A = -\text{Tr}(\rho_A \log \rho_A)$.
- Holographic **Ryu-Takayanagi (RT)** prescription: area of co-dimension two minimal surface homologous to A

$$S_A = \frac{A}{4G_N}$$

Key questions

- 1 Dependence of EE on **shape** and on **field theory**.
- 2 **First law** for EE.
- 3 Dependence of EE on the **state** in theory e.g. excited states.
- 4 Other bulk computables e.g. **differential entropy** and their roles in field theory.

(Balasubramanian et al, Hartman, Headrick, Hubeny, Liu, Mezei, Myers et al, Rangamani, Rosenhaus, Smolkin, Tayakanagi et al, . . .)

Massive flavors

- Brane systems such as **D3/D7** are a natural framework in which to explore these questions.
- Well-understood dual field theory and phenomenologically interesting (**Aharony et al, Fayyazuddin et al '98, Karch and Katz '02, ...**).

Based on:

- **Peter Jones, Kostas Skenderis and Marika Taylor**
“**Entanglement and differential entropy for massive flavors**”
arXiv:1505.xxxx

- **The D3/D7 system**
- Entanglement entropy
- Field theory interpretation
- Differential entropy

The D3/D7 system

- Consider \mathcal{N}_c D3-branes and $\mathcal{N}_f \ll \mathcal{N}_c$ parallel coincident D7-branes.
- In the decoupling limit the D7-branes wrap an $AdS_5 \times S^3$ submanifold of $AdS_5 \times S^5$

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2} \left(dz^2 + dx \cdot dx \right) + d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\Omega_3^2 + \cos^2 \theta d\phi^2$$

i.e. $\theta = \pi/2$.

- Dual to SYM coupled to $\mathcal{N} = 2$ massless hypermultiplets transforming in the bifundamental of $SU(\mathcal{N}_c) \times SU(\mathcal{N}_f)$.

Massive flavors

- Separating the D3 and D7 branes causes the hypers to become massive.
- From the brane probe perspective, the embedding is (Karch and Katz, '02)

$$\sin^2 \theta = (1 - m^2 z^2),$$

i.e. the D7-branes extend to $z = 1/m$, with m the mass.

- The corresponding deformation of the CFT is by a **dimension three operator**, the fermion mass,

$$I = I_{CFT} + m \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{O}_3$$

where the holographic normalization of the operator (brane holographic renormalization (Karch et al, '05)) is

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_3(x) \mathcal{O}_3(0) \rangle = 16 T_7 \mathcal{R} \left(\frac{1}{x^6} \right)$$

with T_7 the D7-brane tension.

- Integrating out the massive hypers leads to an effective IR theory

$$I = I_{SYM} + \frac{1}{m^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{O}_6 + \dots$$

where \mathcal{O}_6 is a dimension six SYM operator, which breaks the R symmetry to $SO(4)$.

- The finite extent of the probe D7-brane tallies with the field theory behaviour at energy scales far smaller than m .

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Entanglement entropy

- To compute EE for D3/D7 we should find the full backreacted metric, asymptoting to $AdS_5 \times S^5$, extract the effective 5d Einstein metric and apply the RT formula.

This looks hard:

- Backreacted metric depends on $(z, \theta, \phi) \rightarrow$ cohomogeneity three problem.
- Smearing over the sphere simplifies problem (Bigazzi et al; Kontoudi and Policastro) but is obscure in field theory.

As usual we work in the **quenched** approximation $\mathcal{N}_f \ll \mathcal{N}_c$.

- Effectively we need to solve

$$I = I_{\text{sugra}} - \mathcal{N}_f T_7 \int d^8x \sqrt{-\gamma} + \dots$$

with γ_{ab} the induced brane metric perturbatively in $\mathcal{N}_f T_7$.

- EE is sensitive to the 5d Einstein metric so we cannot work just with D-brane action.

Following (Jensen and O'Bannon; Karch et al):

- 1 Exploit CHM map for spherical entangling regions.
 - Intractable for finite mass, even at zero density.
- 2 Assume induced brane metric is a direct product of non-compact and compact parts.
 - Method is not applicable at finite density or for general brane embeddings.

A systematic new method

Kaluza-Klein holography (Skenderis, M.T. '06):

- For any background which is a perturbation of $AdS_5 \times S^5$, i.e.

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2} \left(dz^2 + dx \cdot dx \right) + d\Omega_5^2 \\ + \delta g_{mn}(z, x_\mu, \theta_i).$$

the perturbations can be decomposed in terms of spherical harmonics.

- Kaluza-Klein holography gives an algorithmic approach to extract the 5d Einstein metric from the perturbations.

A systematic new method

- Given any brane embedding into AdS Schwarzschild $\times S^5$, i.e.

$$I_{DBI} = -T_p \int d^{p+1}x \sqrt{-(\gamma + \mathcal{B})} + T_p \int e^{\mathcal{B}} \wedge C$$

given the worldvolume metric γ and gauge field \mathcal{B} one can compute the sources for ten dimensional sugra fields.

- Kaluza-Klein holography expresses the 5d Einstein metric in terms of specific spherical harmonics of these sources.
- No problems working at finite density!

Example: massive flavours

- The change in the 5d Einstein metric is particularly simple:
for $z \leq 1/m$

$$\delta(ds^2) = \frac{1}{z^2} \left(f(z) dz^2 + h(z) dx \cdot dx \right)$$

with

$$\tilde{f}(z) = (f(z) + zh'(z)) = \frac{t_0}{12} (1 - m^2 z^2)^2$$

where $t_0 = \mathcal{V}_{S^3} T_7 = 2\pi^2 T_7$.

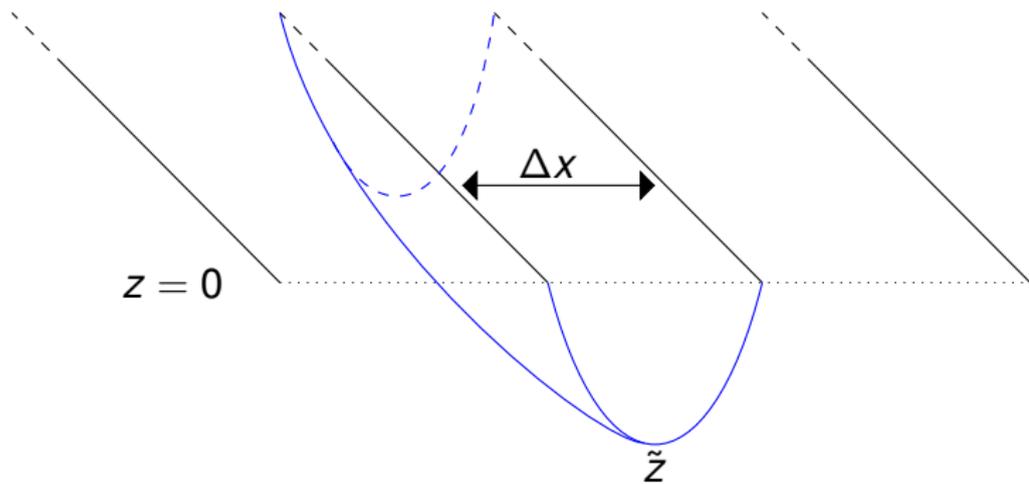
- The gauge invariant combination is $\tilde{f}(z)$.

We explored three types of domains:

- 1 Slab in y, z plane, width $l = \Delta x$.
- 2 Half plane $x > 0$; $\Delta x \rightarrow \infty$ limit of slab.
- 3 Spherical region, of radius l ; Casini-Huerta-Myers (CHM) case.

Focus on the first two in this talk.

Entangling surfaces



For the slab:

- AdS_5 result:

$$S = \frac{L^2}{2G_N} \left(\frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(-\frac{1}{3})}{6\Gamma(\frac{1}{6})z^{*2}} \right)$$

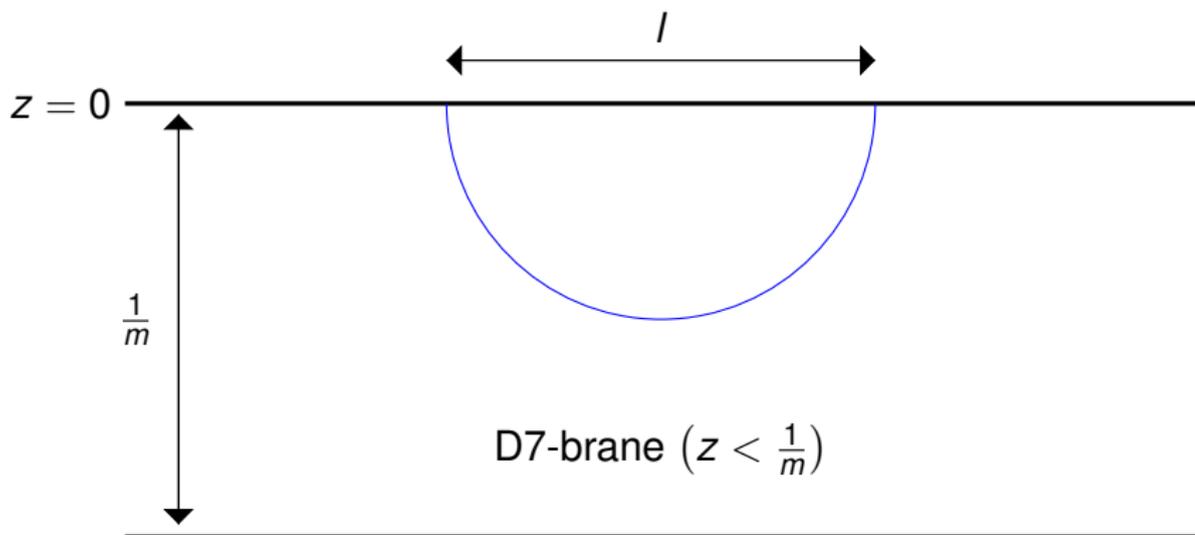
with L^2 the regulated area of the y, z directions, ϵ the UV cutoff and z^* the turning point of the bulk entangling surface.

- The turning point is linearly related to the slab width

$$l = c_0 z^*.$$

Entangling surfaces

Since the D7-branes extend only to $z = 1/m$, the entanglement depends on whether the turning point of the entangling surface is as $z^* < 1/m$ or $z^* \geq 1/m$.



AdS Region ($z > \frac{1}{m}$)

- For $mz^* \leq 1$:

$$\delta S = \frac{t_0 L^2}{48 G_N} \left(\frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} + \frac{2}{3} m^2 + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{12 z^{*2}} \frac{\Gamma(-1/3)}{\Gamma(7/6)} + m^4 z^{*2} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{12} \frac{\Gamma(1/3)}{\Gamma(11/6)} + \frac{2}{3} m^2 \log(\epsilon^3 / 2z^{*3}) \right) + \delta S_{\text{gauge}}(m, \epsilon).$$

- For $mz^* \gg 1$:

$$\delta S = \frac{t_0 L^2}{48 G_N} \left(\frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} + 2m^2 \log(m\epsilon) - \frac{1}{48 m^4 z^{*6}} + \dots \right) + \delta S_{\text{gauge}}(m, \epsilon)$$

- The **half space** is obtained as the $l \rightarrow \infty$ limit at fixed m :

$$\delta S = \frac{t_0 L^2}{96 G_N} \left(\frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} + 2m^2 \log(m\epsilon) \right) + \delta S_{\text{gauge}}(m, \epsilon)$$

- The entanglement entropy has a **fourth order phase transition** at $mz^* = 1$ (relic of probe approximation).
- The gauge dependent terms depend on our choice of $h(z)$, i.e. the gauge choice for the metric.
- The relation between the slab width l and the turning point z^* is corrected perturbatively:

$$l = (c_0 + t_0 c_1(z^*) + \dots)z^*$$

Scheme dependence and finite quantities

- EE is UV divergent.
- One is often interested in "universal" divergent terms....
- But one may also be interested in IR finite effects: e.g. finite mass in $d = 4$ (Hertzberg, Wilczek)

$$S_{HW} = m^4 \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{S}}{\partial (m^2)^2}$$

or finite slab width (Cardy et al)

$$S_l = l \frac{\partial \mathcal{S}}{\partial l}$$

Renormalized entanglement entropy

- One can define a renormalized entanglement entropy via **volume renormalisation (Witten, Graham)**, i.e.

$$S_{\text{ren}} = \frac{1}{4G_N} \int_{\gamma} d^{d-1}x \sqrt{g} - \frac{1}{4(d-2)G_N} \int_{\partial\gamma} d^{d-2}x \sqrt{H} + \dots$$

with H the induced boundary metric.

Many nice features:

- The metric **gauge dependence** cancels in the renormalized EE.
- Classification of when **logarithmic terms** arise (under relevant deformations).

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- Recall that for the **half space**:

$$\delta S = \frac{t_0 L^2}{48 G_N} \left(\frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} + 2m^2 \log(m\epsilon) \right) + \delta S_{\text{gauge}}(m, \epsilon)$$

- The $m \rightarrow 0$ limit follows from **conformal invariance** and agrees with the result for free massless hypermultiplets.

Deformations of the CFT

- At finite mass the CFT is deformed as

$$I = I_{\text{CFT}} + m \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{O}_3.$$

- The change in the entanglement entropy under a **relevant perturbation** of dimension $\Delta = (d + 2)/2$ has been argued to contain universal log divergences (**Rosenhaus, Smolkin**):

$$\delta S = \mathcal{N} m^2 \frac{(d-2)}{4(d-1)} \frac{\pi^{\frac{d+2}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{d+2}{2})} \mathcal{A} \log \left(\frac{\epsilon_{UV}}{\epsilon_{IR}} \right),$$

with \mathcal{N} the operator normalisation and \mathcal{A} the area of the slab.

- Using the known operator normalisation we indeed obtain

$$\delta S = \frac{2\pi t_0}{3} m^2 \mathcal{A} \log \left(\frac{\epsilon_{UV}}{\epsilon_{IR}} \right)$$

in agreement with our result, setting $\epsilon_{IR} = 1/m$.

- Moreover, the result agrees with the results for free massive hypers, i.e. there is a **non-renormalisation** theorem (which was not obvious given $\mathcal{N} = 2$ susy).

We can also understand the $ml \gg 1$ limit for the slab:

- The leading finite contribution is

$$\delta S = \frac{t_0 L^2}{48 G_N} \left(-\frac{1}{48 m^4 z^{*6}} \right).$$

- Integrating out the massive flavors results in

$$I = I_{SYM} + \frac{1}{m^2} \int d^4 x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{O}_6$$

with \mathcal{O}_6 an R-charged operator.

- Symmetry implies that the leading contribution to the entanglement entropy is at order $1/m^4$.
- By translational invariance along the slab the EE scales as L^2 .
- Hence

$$\delta S \sim \frac{L^2}{m^4 l^6}$$

on dimensional grounds, since there is no other scale in the theory.

We may also be able to match the coefficient (?)

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- The **differential entropy** is defined as

$$E = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [S(I_k) - S(I_k \cap I_{k+1})]$$

where $\{I_k\}$ is a set of intervals partitioning the boundary.

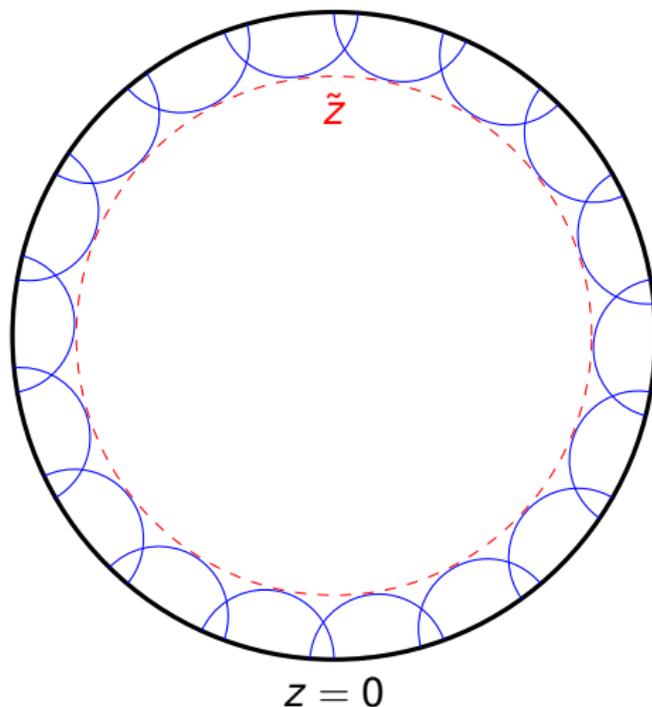
- We will take $\{I_k\}$ to be slabs of width Δx , with intersection of width $(\Delta x - L_x/n)$, and take $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Holes and differential entropy

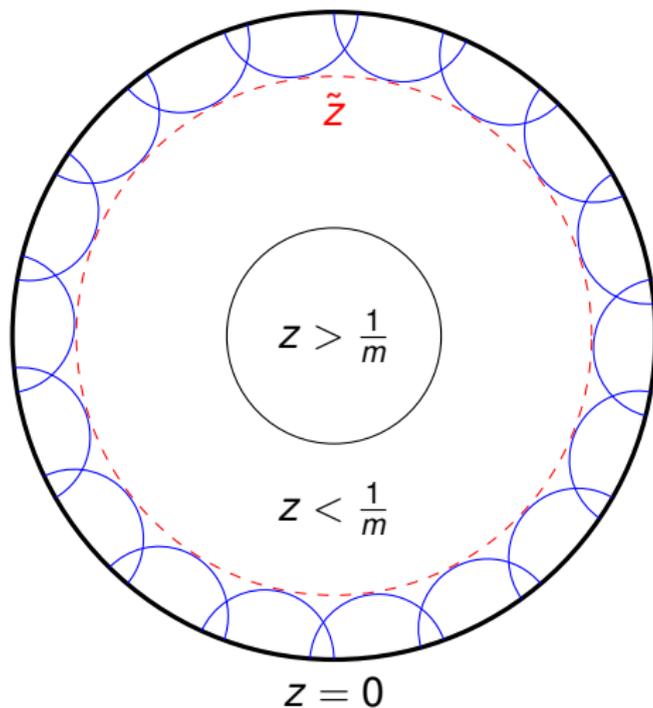
- In AdS_5 the differential entropy computes the **area of a hole** of radius z^* , the turning point of the entangling surface associated with each slab.
- This equivalence can be proved geometrically (**Balasubramanian et al; Myers et al; Headrick et al**).

Differential entropy

Witten diagram showing differential entropy: differential entropy computes **area of red hole**.



Differential entropy for massive flavor systems



Differential entropy for massive flavor systems

It still computes the [area of a hole in the 5d Einstein metric](#).

- For $ml \gg 1$ the metric is just AdS_5 , yet the differential entropy is changed:

$$E = \frac{V}{4G_N} \left(\frac{c_0^3}{(\Delta x)^3} + \frac{t_0 c_0^6}{384 m^4 (\Delta x)^7} \right)$$

with c_0 the number such that $\Delta x = c_0 z^* + \dots$.

- The metric is unchanged, but the relation between Δx and the turning points of the entangling surface z^* is changed.

Differential entropy for massive flavor system

- The change is consistent with the viewpoint of the IR theory as an **irrelevant deformation** of SYM.
- Differential entropy however tells us only about the 5d metric, not the 10d spacetime.
- The former does not generically have the same causal structure e.g. Coulomb branch geometries.

Conclusions

- We have developed a systematic method for computing EE for **probe brane systems**.
- Finite terms in the EE may be obtained using **volume renormalization** for the minimal surfaces.
- **Exact coefficients** in the EE can be matched.
- Differential entropy computes the **area** in the 5d Einstein metric, not the 10d metric.

Additional results and outlook

- **Phenomenology**: finite density, phase transitions.
- General results for **shape and field theory** dependence (including irrelevant deformations).
- Interpretations of **differential entropy** in the field theory?