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Tensor Networks and Holography (Review Talk)

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Refer also to Matsueda's talk

Our Original Contributions

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with Masahiro Nozaki (YITP, Kyoto)

and Shinsei Ryu (Illinois, Urbana–Champaign)

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and Kento Watanabe (YITP, Kyoto)

① Introduction

The AdS/CFT and more generally holography argues
“**Quantum Gravity = Quantum Many-body Systems**”.

on M_{d+2}

on ∂M_{d+1}

Then one may ask what are the most *elementary degrees of freedom* in the correspondence ?

⇒ One attractive possibility is that
quantum entanglement explains the degrees of freedom.

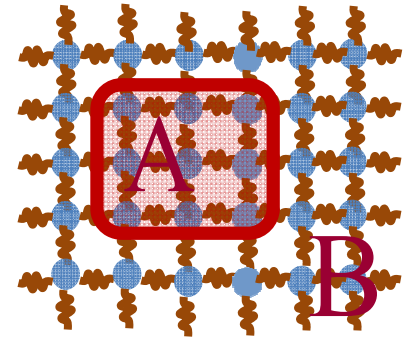
“Emergence of spacetime from Qubits”

⇔ Tensor Networks

Entanglement Entropy (EE)

$$H_{tot} = H_A \otimes H_B, \quad \rho_{tot} = |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|,$$

$$\rho_A \equiv \text{Tr}_B[\rho_{tot}] \rightarrow S_A = -\text{Tr}[\rho_A \log \rho_A].$$



⇒ The best measure of quantum entanglement

EE measures

(1) How many EPR pairs can be extracted.

$$(|\uparrow\rangle|\downarrow\rangle \pm |\downarrow\rangle|\uparrow\rangle) / \sqrt{2}$$

(2) Active degrees of freedom. (~central charges)

(3) A quantum order parameter. (~topological order)

(4) a **geometry** of quantum many-body system.

(~holography)

(i) Area law of EE [Bombelli-Koul-Lee-Sorkin 86, Srednicki 93]

EE in QFTs includes UV divergences.

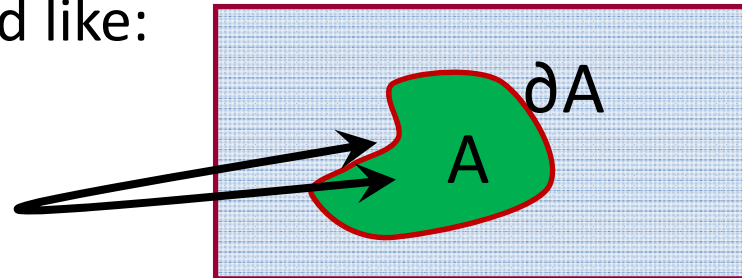
In a $d+1$ dim. QFT ($d>1$) with a UV relativistic fixed point, the leading term of EE at its ground state behaves like

$$S_A \sim \frac{\text{Area}(\partial A)}{\mathcal{E}^{d-1}} + (\text{subleading terms}),$$

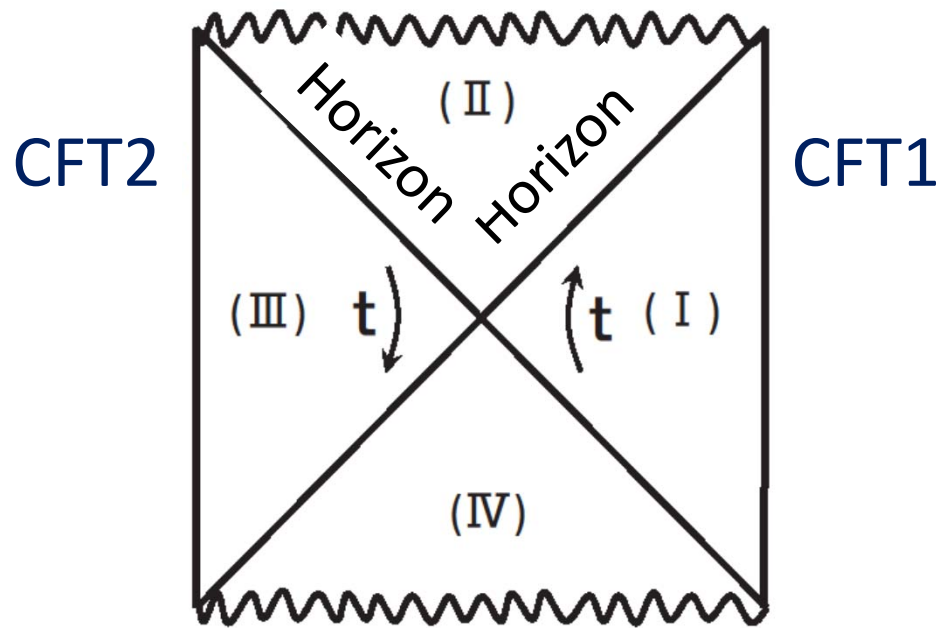
where $\mathcal{E}$ is a UV cutoff (i.e. lattice spacing). [d=1: log div.]

Intuitively, this property is understood like:

Most strongly entangled



(ii) Eternal BH in AdS/CFT [Maldacena 00]



$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \sum_n e^{-\beta E_n / 2} |n\rangle_1 |n\rangle_2, \quad Z(\beta) = \sum_n e^{-\beta E_n},$$

$$\rho_1 = \text{Tr}_2[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|] = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \sum_n e^{-\beta E_n} |n\rangle_1 \langle n|_1,$$

$$S_{ent} = -\text{Tr}[\rho_1 \log \rho_1] = S_{thermal} = S_{BH} = \frac{\text{Area}(\text{Horizon})}{4G_N}.$$

(iii) Holographic Entanglement Entropy (HEE)

[Ryu-TT 06; a derivation: Casini-Huerta-Myers 11, Lewkowycz-Maldacena 13]

$$S_A = \text{Min}_{\substack{\partial\gamma_A = \partial A \\ \gamma_A \approx A}} \left[\frac{\text{Area}(\gamma_A)}{4G_N} \right]$$

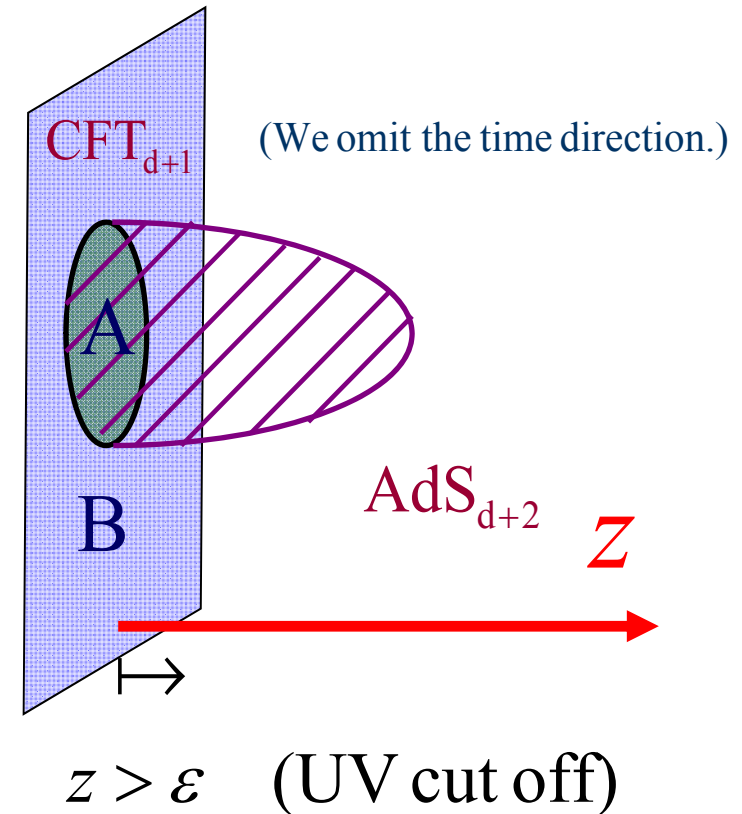
γ_A is the minimal area surface
(codim.=2) such that

$$\partial A = \partial\gamma_A \text{ and } A \sim \gamma_A .$$

homologous

Note: In time-dependent spacetimes,
we need to take extremal surfaces.

[Hubeny-Rangamani-TT 07]

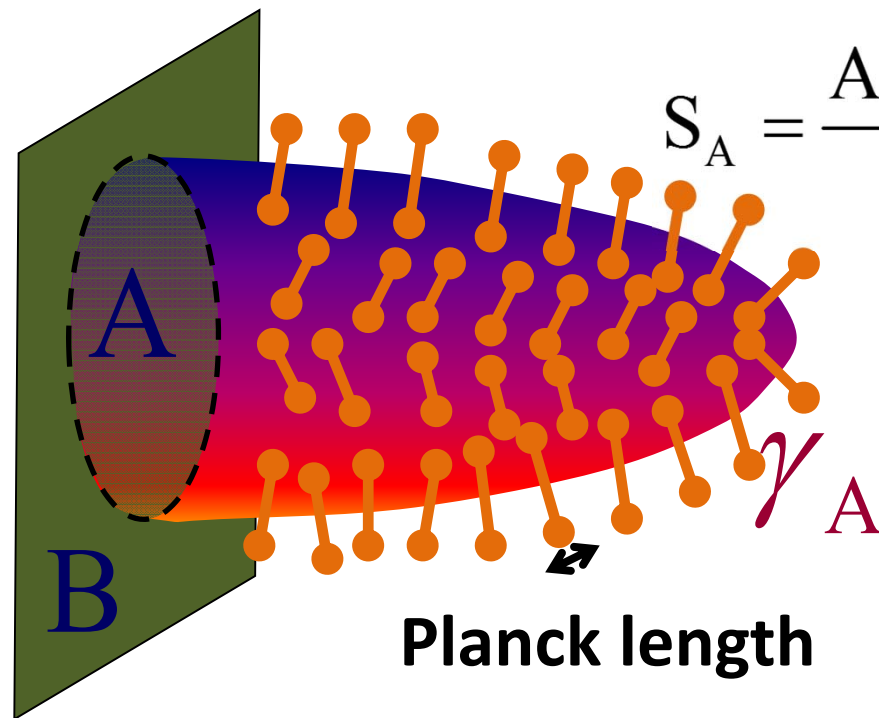


$$ds^2 = R^2 \cdot \frac{dz^2 - dt^2 + \sum_{i=1}^d dx_i^2}{z^2}$$

The HEE suggests the following novel interpretation:

“**A spacetime in gravity**

= Collections of bits of quantum entanglement”



$$S_A = \frac{\text{Area}(\gamma_A)}{4G_N} \approx \frac{\text{Area}(\gamma_A)}{l_{pl}^2}.$$

This entanglement/geometry duality may work for any surfaces

[Bianchi-Myers 12]

⇒ Manifestly realized in the proposed connection between AdS/CFT and tensor networks ! [Swingle 09]

② Review of Tensor Networks

(2-1) Tensor Network [See e.g. Cirac-Verstraete 09(review)]

Tensor network states

= Efficient variational ansatz for the ground state wave functions in quantum many-body systems.

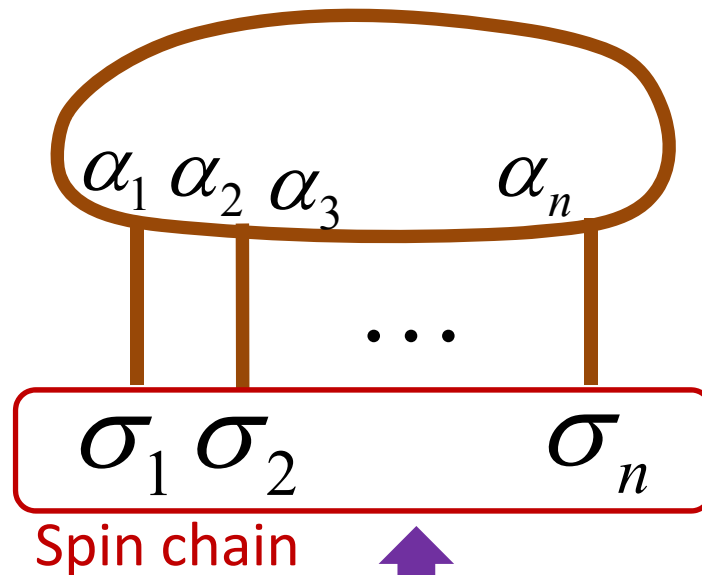
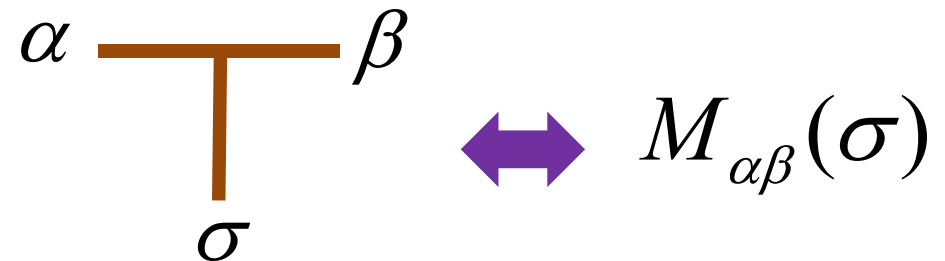
[A tensor network diagram = A wave function]

⇒ An ansatz should respect the correct quantum entanglement of ground state.

~Geometry of Tensor Network

Ex. Matrix Product State (MPS)

[DMRG: White 92,...,
Rommer-Ostlund 95,..]



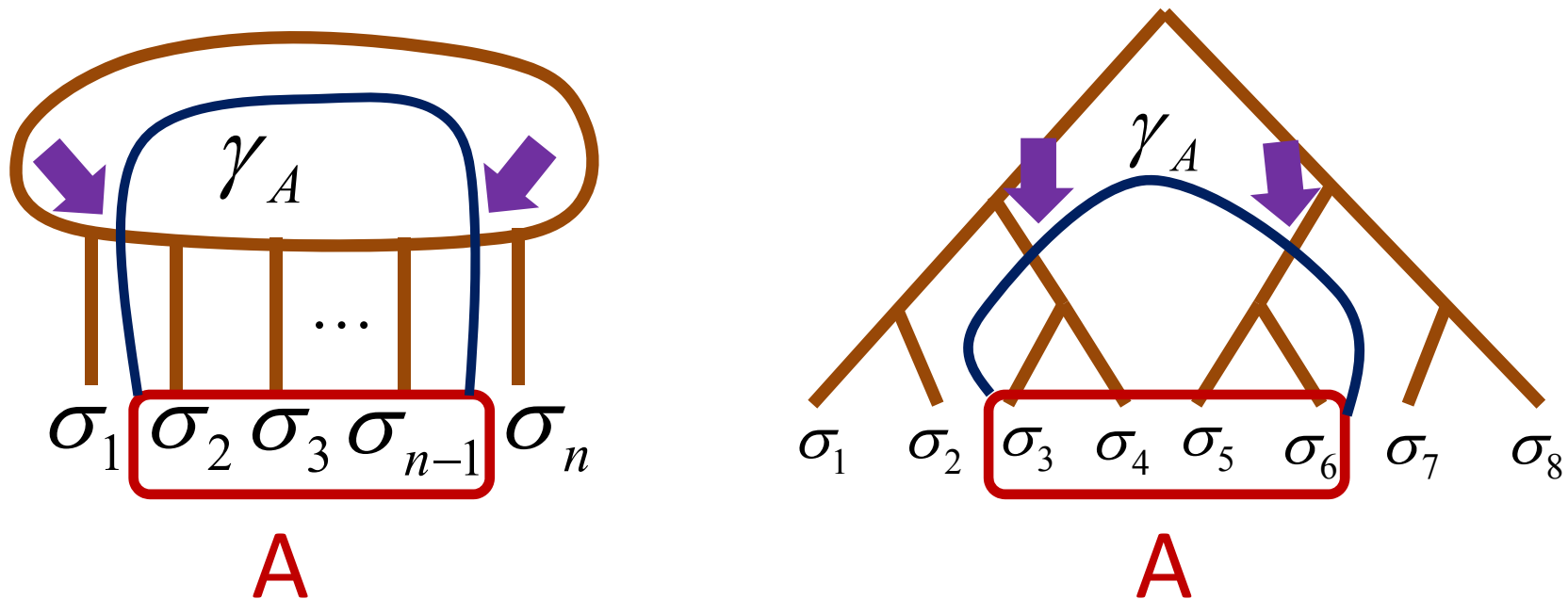
$$\alpha_i = 1, 2, \dots, \chi,$$

$$\sigma_i = \uparrow \text{ or } \downarrow .$$

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n} \text{Tr}[M(\sigma_1)M(\sigma_2)\cdots M(\sigma_n)] \left| \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n \right\rangle_{n \text{ Spins}}$$

MPS with finite χ does not have enough EE to describe
1d quantum critical points (2d CFTs) :

$$S_A \leq 2 \log \chi \quad (\ll \log L \sim S_A^{CFT}).$$



In general,

$$S_A \leq N_{\text{int}} \cdot \log \chi,$$

$$N_{\text{int}} \equiv \min[\# \text{Intersections of } \gamma_A].$$

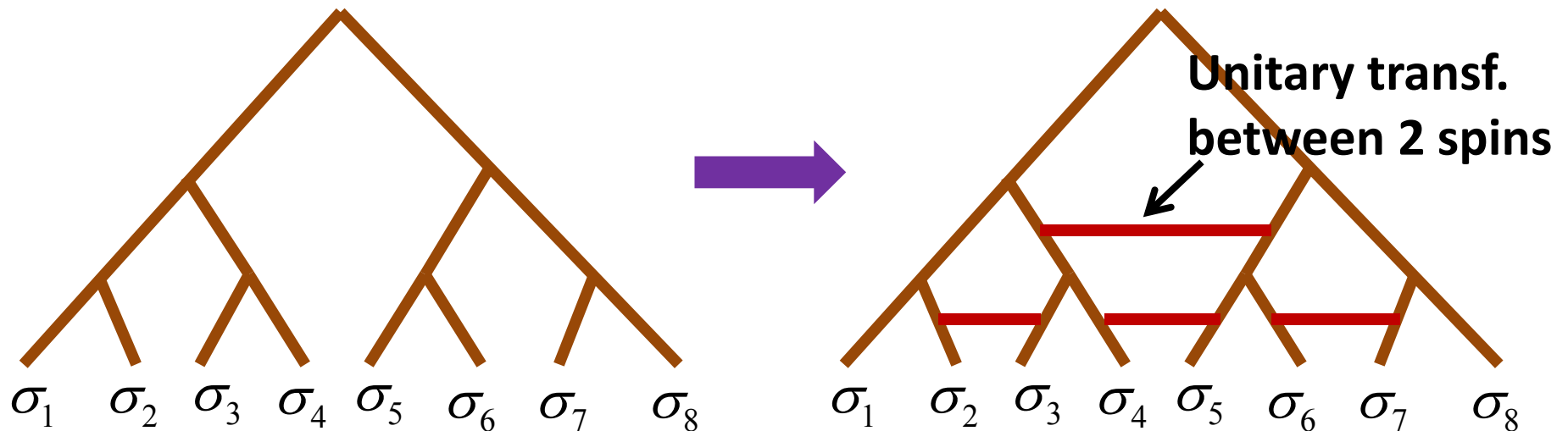
(2-2) MERA

MERA (Multiscale Entanglement Renormalization Ansatz):

⇒ An efficient variational ansatz for CFT ground states.

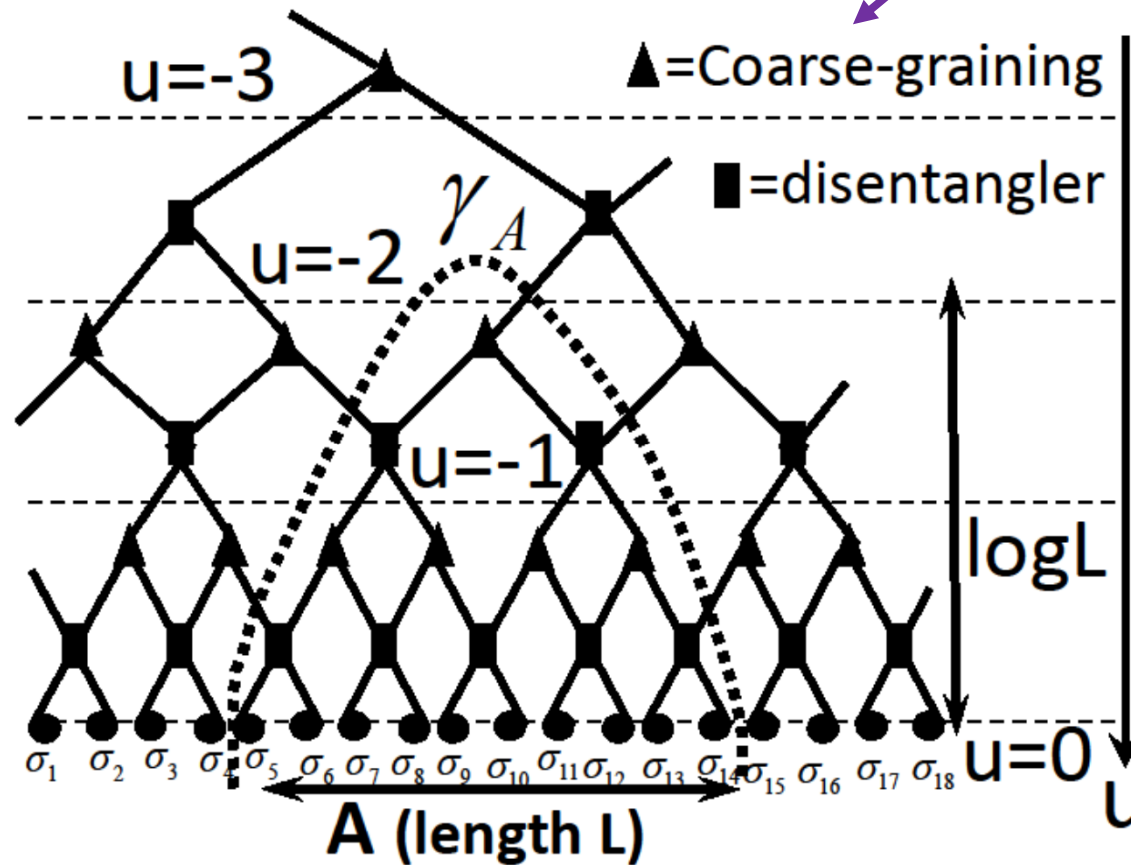
[Vidal 05]

To increase entanglement in a CFT, we add (dis)entanglers.



MERA in a ``more official'' diagram

Coarse-graining = Isometry



$$[T]_{abc}^{\dagger} [T]_{bcd} = \delta_{ad}$$

$$a \begin{array}{c} b \\ \square \\ c \end{array} d = a \text{---} d$$

$$S_A \propto \text{Min}[\# \text{links}]$$

$$\propto \log L$$

$\Rightarrow$ agrees with

results in 2d CFT!

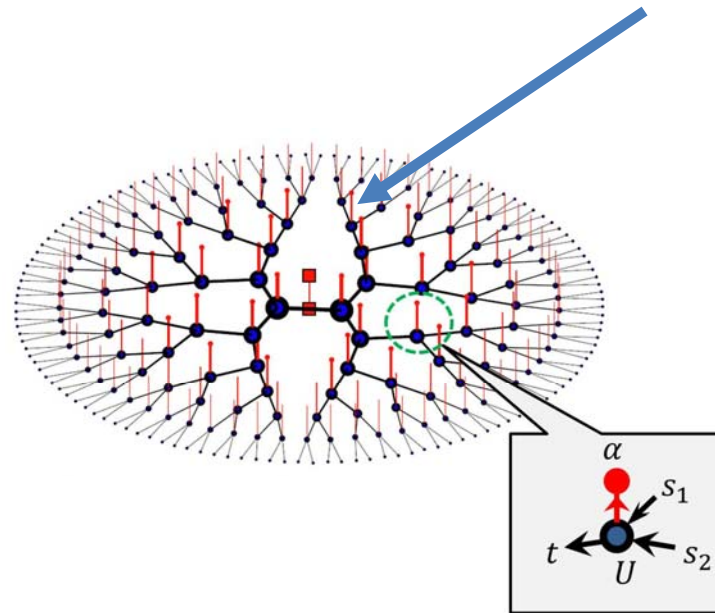
Cf. Bulk State construction

⇒ Low energy bulk excitations (e.g. bulk scalars)

[Exact holographic mapping: Xiao-liang Qi 13]

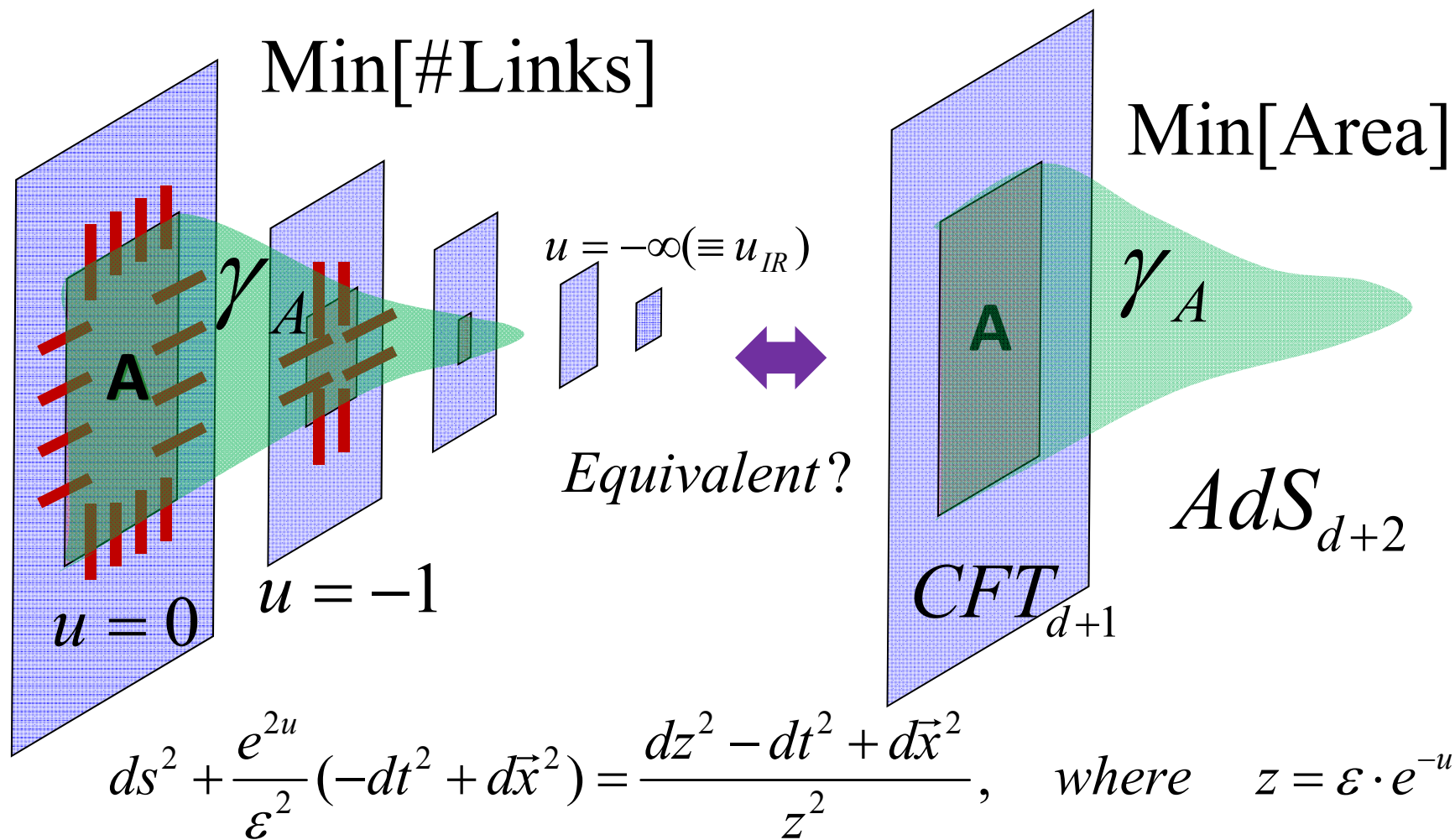
Idea: Keep the network and introduce bulk states

[tips of red vertical bonds]



③ Tensor Networks and AdS/CFT

(3-1) AdS/MERA proposal [Swingle 09]



The idea: Tensor Network of MERA ($\exists$ scale inv.)
= a time slice of AdS space

Qualitative evidences

- (i) Real space RG = radial evolution in AdS
→ something we usually expect in AdS/CFT.
- (ii) The bound of EE in MERA: $S_A \leq \text{Min}[N_{Int}] \cdot \log \chi$.

If this is saturated, it seems to agree with the HEE

$$S_A = \frac{1}{4G_N} \text{Min}_{\gamma_A} [\text{Area}(\gamma_A)].$$

In this way, AdS/MERA seems to work qualitatively.

However, if we look more closely, several questions arise

[see e.g. Bao-Cao-Carroll-Chatwin-Davies-Hunter-Jones-Pollack-Remmen 15]

(a) **Locality of bulk AdS:** The disentangler carries
 $O(N^2)$ Qubits.

$\Rightarrow \exists$ Locality only at the AdS radius (not Planck scale)....

(b) **Conformal invariance is not clear** $\Rightarrow$ Lattice artifact ?

(c) **Why the EE bound is saturated ?**

$\Rightarrow$ If disentanglers $\sim$ large N Random tensors, that can be true. But this is not clear.

(e) $\exists$ **RG causal structure in MERA**

$\Rightarrow$ No causal structure on the time slice of AdS ?

(3-2) Refinement 1: Integral geometry

[Czech, Lamprou, McCandlish, Sully 15]

Focus on AdS3/CFT2. Keep MERA network as it is.

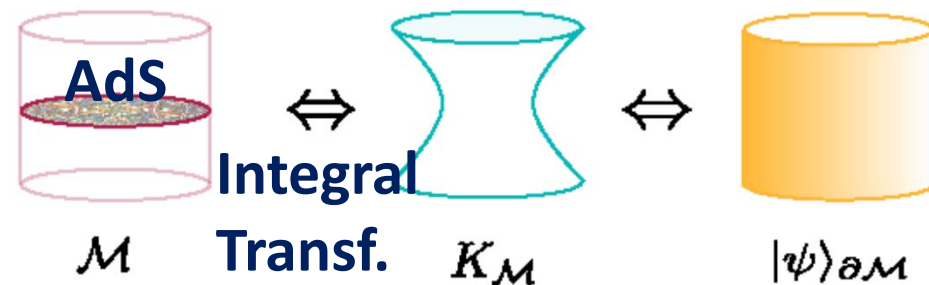
A metric for MERA: EE for the interval $A=[x-L, x+L]$

$$S_A(x-L, x+L) = \frac{c}{3} \log 2L,$$

$$\Rightarrow ds^2 = \frac{\partial^2 S_A(u, v)}{\partial u \partial v} du dv = \frac{c}{12} \cdot \frac{-dL^2 + dx^2}{L^2}$$

$\rightarrow 2d$ deSitter space

(i.e. MERA=dS $\neq$ AdS)



Kinematical

Space $\simeq$ MERA network

[$\Rightarrow$ Rob Myers's talk on Thu.]

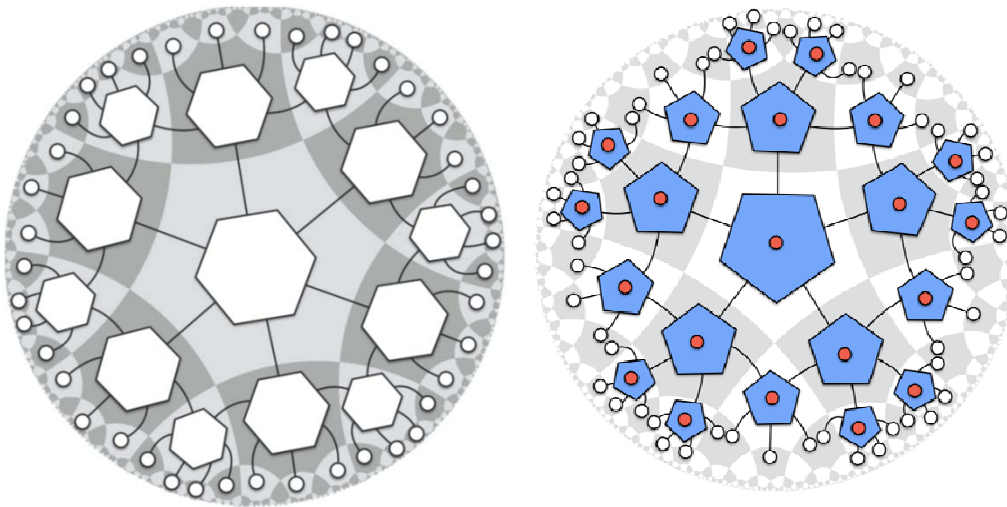
(3-3) Refinement 2: Perfect Tensor Network

[Pastawski-Yoshida-Harlow-Preskill 15]

Consider tensors which are unitary or isometry w.r.t any legs, called *perfect tensors*.

[Bulk reconstruction $\Leftrightarrow$ quantum error corrections]

[Almheiri-Dong-Harlow 14]



[i.e. PTN=AdS]

$\Rightarrow$ The EE bound is saturated for single intervals.

④ cMERA and AdS/CFT [Refinement 3]

[Haegeman-Osborne-Verschelde-Verstraete 11, see also Nozaki-Ryu-TT 12]

(4-1) cMERA formulation

To remove lattice artifacts, take a continuum limit of MERA:

$$\underbrace{|\Phi(u)\rangle}_{\text{State at scale } u} = P \cdot \exp\left(-i \int_{u_{IR}}^u ds \hat{K}(s)\right) \cdot \underbrace{|\Omega\rangle}_{\text{IR state}}.$$

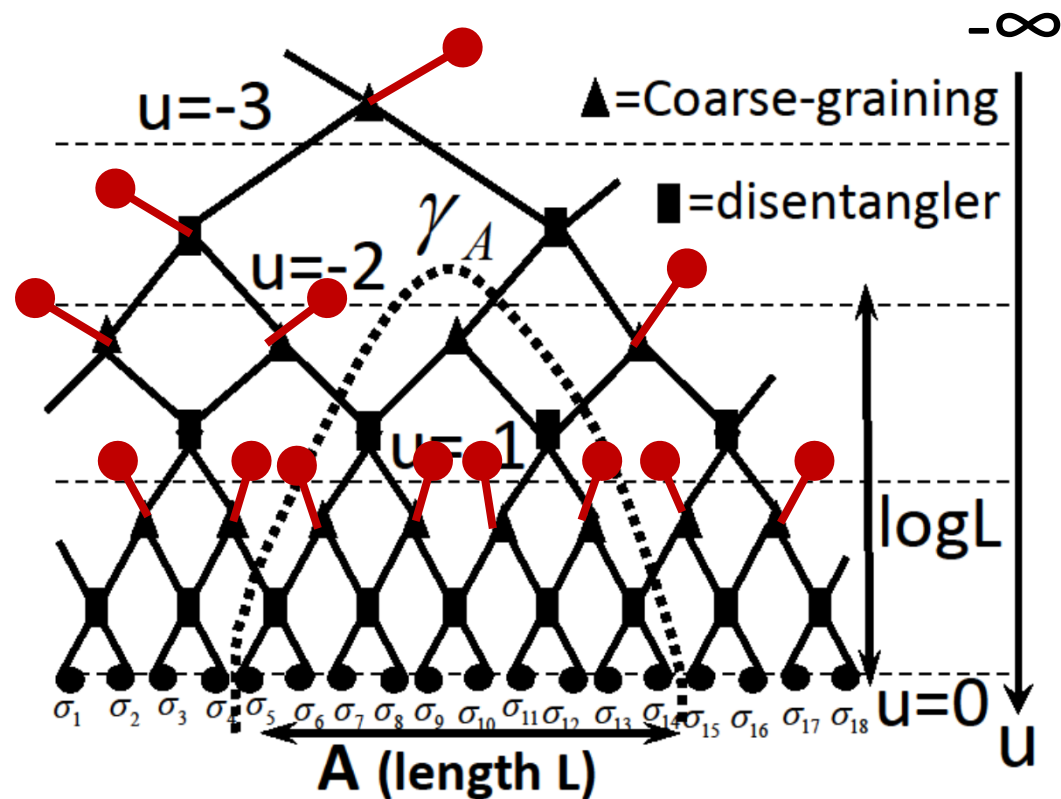
$u_{IR} = -\infty$

$\hat{K}(u)$: (dis)entangler at length scale $\sim \varepsilon \cdot e^{-u}$

$|\Omega\rangle$: unentangled state in real space

$\rightarrow S_A = 0$ for any A .  What is this state ?
We will come back later.

Relation to (discrete) MERA



By adding dummy states $|0\rangle$ , we keep the dimension of Hilbert space for any u to be the same.

$\Rightarrow$ We can formally describe the real space RG by a **unitary transformation**.

Example: cMERA for a (d+1) dim. Free Scalar Theory

Hamiltonian: $H = \frac{1}{2} \int dk^d [\pi(k)\pi(-k) + (k^2 + m^2)\phi(k)\phi(-k)].$

Ground state $|0\rangle : a_k|0\rangle = 0.$

IR state: $a_x|\Omega\rangle = 0,$ $\left(a_x \equiv \sqrt{M}\phi(x) + \frac{i}{\sqrt{M}}\pi(x) \right),$

i.e. $|\Omega\rangle = \prod_x |0\rangle_x \Rightarrow S_A = 0.$

cMERA: $\hat{K}(u) = \frac{i}{2} \int dk^d \left[\chi(u) \Gamma(k e^{-u} / M) a_k^+ a_{-k}^+ + (h.c.) \right],$

where $\Gamma(x)$ is a cut off function : $\Gamma(x) = \theta(1 - |x|).$

$$\chi(s) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{e^{2u}}{e^{2u} + m^2 / M^2}, \quad (\text{for } m = 0, \chi(u) = 1/2.)$$

(4-2) Boundary State as Gravity Dual of Point-like Space

[Miyaji-Ryu-Wen-TT 14]

Q. A general construction of the IR states $|\Omega\rangle$ in CFTs ?

Argument 1

We can realize **disentangled states (IR states $|\Omega\rangle$)**

$\Leftrightarrow$ Trivial (Point-like) spaces

by performing a (infinitely) massive deformation:

$$H_m = H_{CFT} + m^{d+1-\Delta_O} \int dx^d O(x),$$

$$\Rightarrow_{m \rightarrow \infty} |\Omega\rangle = \text{the ground state of } H_m.$$

Now we apply the idea of *quantum quenches*.

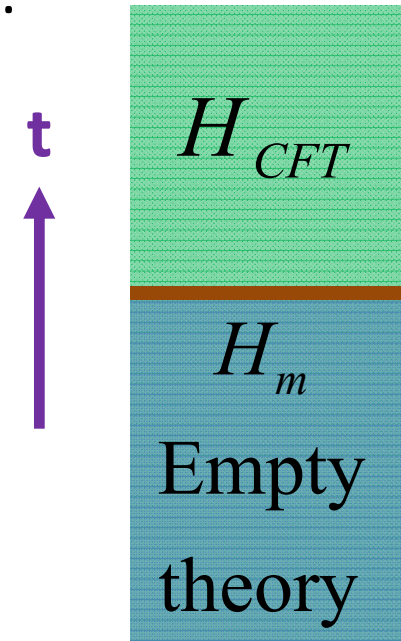
$\Rightarrow$ For $t < 0$, we assume the ground state of the massive Hamiltonian H_m . Then at $t = 0$, we suddenly change the Hamiltonian into H_{CFT} as in [Calabrese-Cardy 05].

In this setup, the state at $t = 0$ is identified with the boundary state:

$$|\Psi_m(t = 0)\rangle = |\Omega\rangle = |B\rangle.$$

We may introduce the UV cut off like

$$|\Omega_m\rangle \propto e^{-H/m} \cdot |B\rangle.$$



Boundary states in CFTs (assume 2d CFT)

A **boundary state** (Ishibashi state) : $|B\rangle$

= A state which gives a conformally invariant boundary condition:

$$\left[L_n - \tilde{L}_{-n} \right] |B\rangle = 0.$$

In terms of the Virasoro algebra: $|B\rangle = \sum_{\vec{k}} |\vec{k}\rangle_L |\vec{k}\rangle_R$

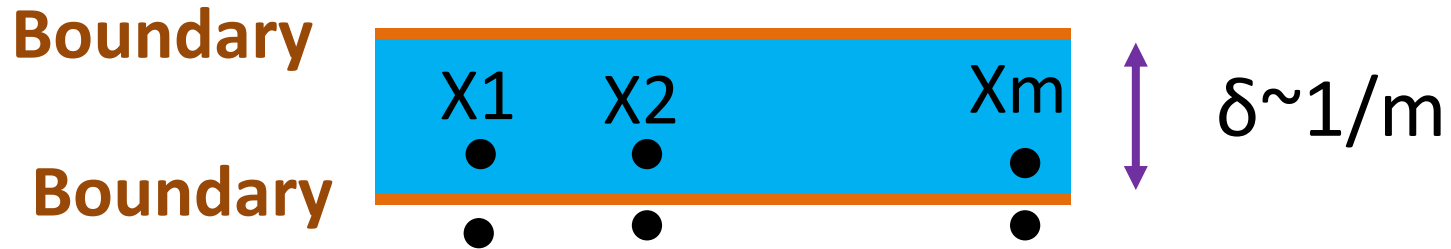
where $\vec{k} = (k_1, k_2, \dots)$ represent

$$|\vec{k}\rangle = \sum (L_{-1})^{k_1} \cdot (L_{-2})^{k_2} \cdots |\Delta\rangle.$$

$\Rightarrow$ A maximally entangled state
between left and right moving sectors !

$\Rightarrow$ But, the real space entanglement is quite suppressed !

Argument 2: Correlation functions of local operators



$$\frac{\langle \Omega | O(x_1) O(x_2) \cdots O(x_n) | \Omega \rangle}{\langle \Omega | \Omega \rangle} \approx \prod_{i=1}^n \langle O(x_i) \rangle.$$

$\Rightarrow$ When $(x_i - x_j) \gg \delta$, there is no correlations !

$\Rightarrow$ Disentangled !

Argument 3: Direct calculation of EE

For the regularized IR state $|\Omega\rangle = e^{-H\delta}|B\rangle$,
we can compute the EE explicitly in free fermion CFTs:

[Ugajin-TT 10]

$$S_A \approx \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} + [\text{Finite}], \quad (\delta \rightarrow 0).$$

Thus we can set $S_A \approx 0$ when $\delta \approx \varepsilon$.

Note: Boundary states can still have non-zero finite
topological entanglement.

(4-3) Aspects of cMERA

- No lattice artifacts
- Choice of $K(u)$ is flexible $\rightarrow$ In principle, we can realize not only the continuum limit of original MERA but also those of perfect tensor networks.

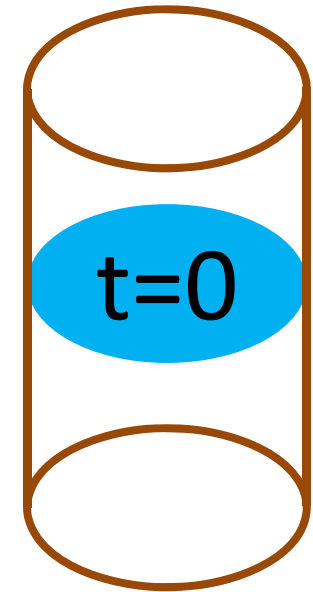
But, we do not know $K(u)$ precisely except free CFTs.

- We can compute information metrics or $|\langle \Phi(u) | \Phi(u + du) \rangle|$, though the evaluation of EE is not straightforward.
- We can treat excited states in a straightforward way.

Conformal Transformation in cMERA for 2d CFT

The generators which preserve a time slice of AdS3 are given by $l_n = \tilde{L}_{-n} - L_n$.

The $SL(2,R)$ action which maps $\rho=0$ to the point (ρ, ϕ) is given by $g(\rho, \phi) = e^{i\phi l_0} e^{\frac{\rho}{2}(l_{-1} - l_1)}$.

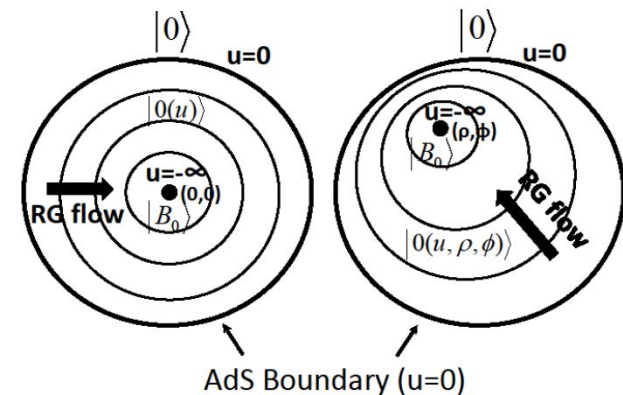


The cMERA flow

$|0\rangle = P \exp\left(-i \int_{-\infty}^0 \hat{K}(u) du\right) |B_0\rangle$ is transformed by $SL(2,R)$

$|0\rangle = P \exp\left(-i \int_{-\infty}^0 \hat{K}_{(\rho, \phi)}(u) du\right) |B_0\rangle$,

where $\hat{K}_{(\rho, \phi)}(u) = g(\rho, \phi) \cdot \hat{K}(u) \cdot g(\rho, \phi)$



CFT dual of excited states by bulk local field

[Miyaji-Numasawa-Shiba-Watanabe-TT 15 (see also Nakayama-Ooguri 15)]

We can show that the CFT state dual to an bulk excited state

$\varphi_\alpha(\rho, \phi)|0\rangle_{bulk}$ obtained from the bulk scalar field φ_α is given by (in the large N limit) :

$$|\Psi_\alpha(\rho, \phi)\rangle_{CFT} \approx g(\rho, \phi) \cdot e^{\frac{\pi}{2}i(L_0 + \tilde{L}_0)} \cdot \underbrace{e^{-\delta H}}_{\substack{\text{some UV cut off} \\ s.t. \delta \gg 1/c}} \cdot \underbrace{|J_\alpha\rangle}_{\substack{SL(2, R) \\ \text{Ishibashi State}}}.$$

Note: this agrees with Kabat-Lifschytz-Lowe's prescription.

Why ?

Planck scale cut off

Similar to cMETA IR state

(Full Virasoro Ishibashi state)

[cf. Verlinde 15]

→ cMERA flow ?

⑤ Surface/State Correspondence [Miyaji-TT 15]

(5-1) Basic Principle

Consider Einstein gravity on a $d+2$ dim. spacetime M .

We conjecture the following correspondence:

Σ : an d dim. convex space-like surface in M
which is closed and homologically trivial



$$|\Phi(\Sigma)\rangle \in H_M$$

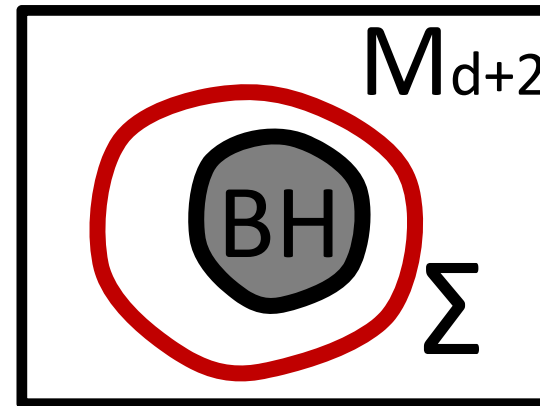
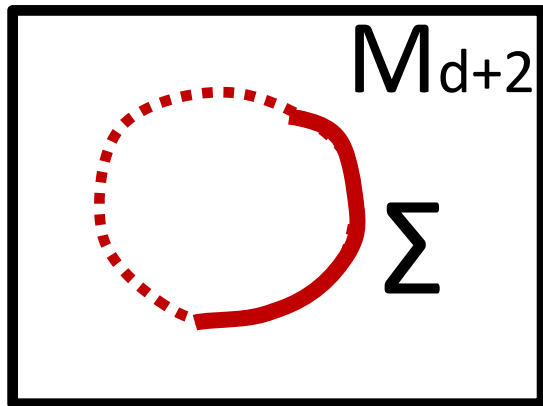
A pure state



More generally,
the quantum state dual to a convex surface Σ is

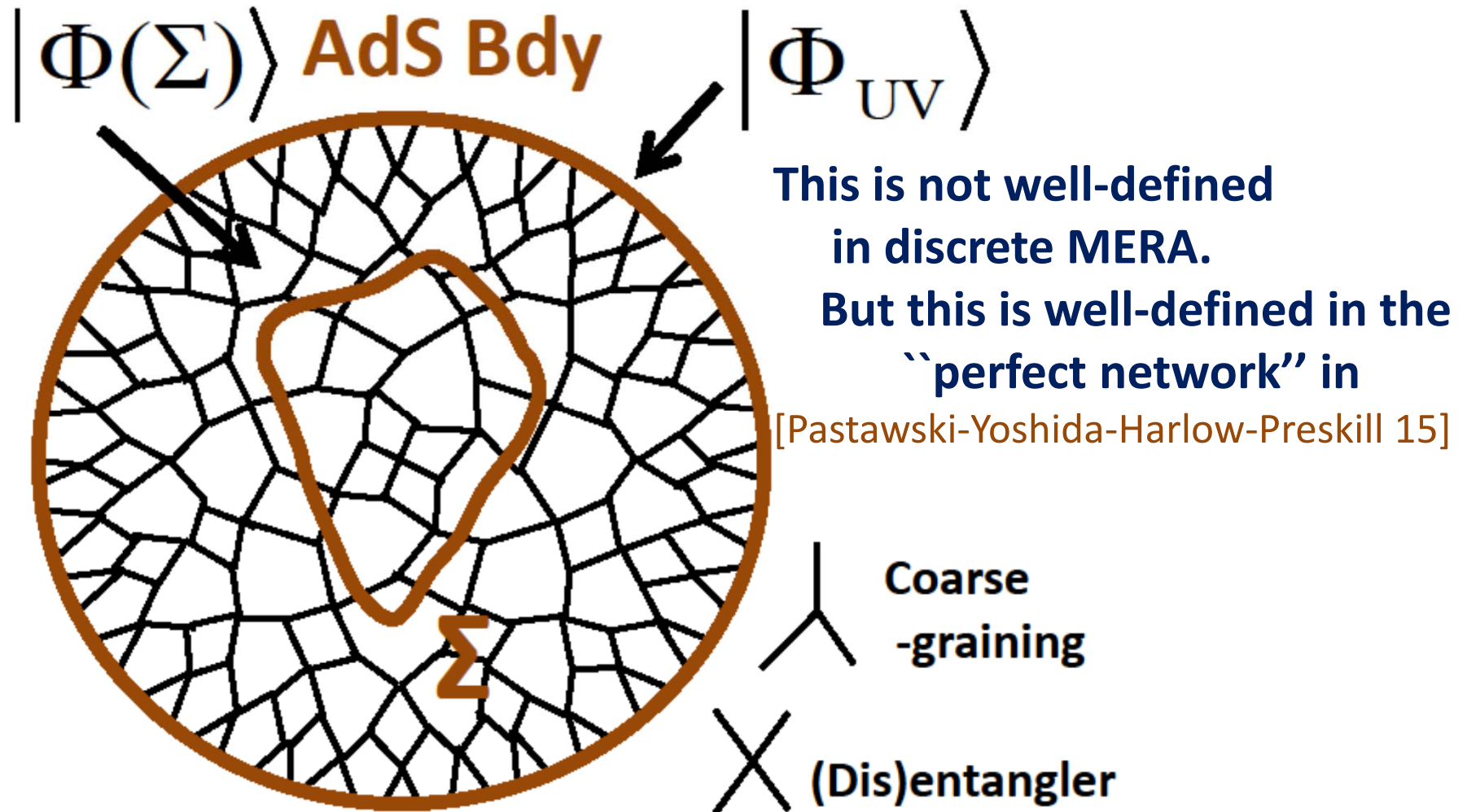
a **mixed state** $\rho(\Sigma)$

if Σ is open or topologically non-trivial.



On the other hand, the **zero size limit of Σ** corresponds to the **trivial state** $|\Omega\rangle$ with no real space entanglement.

This surface/state correspondence is realized in the “perfect” tensor network description of holography.

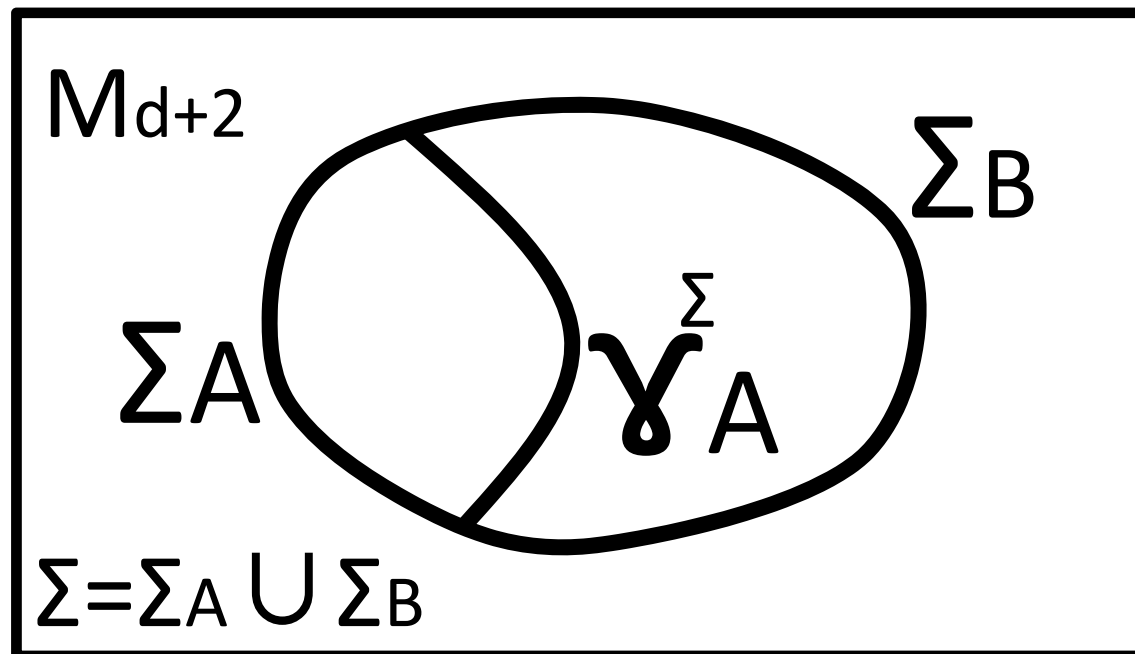


(5-2) Entanglement Entropy

We can naturally generalize HEE for our setup :

$$H_{\Sigma} = H_A \otimes H_B, \quad \rho_A^{\Sigma} = \text{Tr}_B[\rho(\Sigma)],$$

$$\Rightarrow S_A^{\Sigma} = \frac{\text{Area}(\gamma_A^{\Sigma})}{4G_N}.$$



(5-3) Effective Dimension

By dividing the surface Σ into infinitesimally small pieces $\Sigma = \cup A_i$, we easily find:

$$\sum_i S_{A_i}^{\Sigma} = \frac{\text{Area}(\Sigma)}{4G_N}.$$


We interpret this as the log of effective dim. for Σ

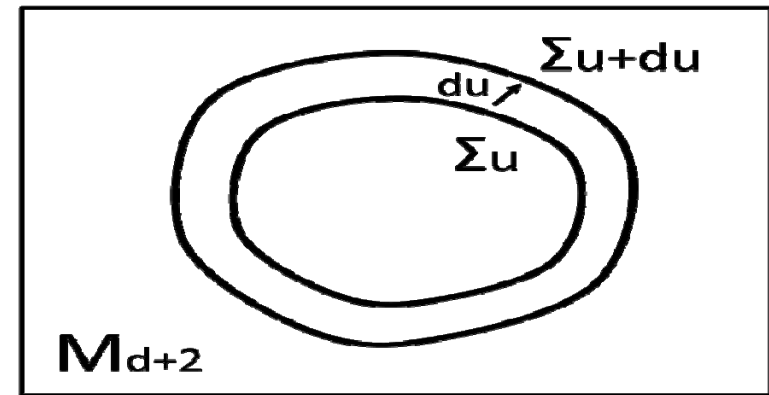
$$\log[\dim H_{\Sigma}^{eff}]$$

This is because $\rho_{A_i}^{\Sigma}$ is expected to be maximally entangled (except the dummy states).

(5-4) Inner Products and Information Metric

Another intriguing physical quantity is an inner product $\langle \Sigma | \Sigma' \rangle$ between two surfaces.

$$ds^2 = R^2 du^2 + g_{\mu\nu}(x, u) dx^\mu dx^\nu.$$



Here focus on the two surfaces separated infinitesimally.

⇒ Consider an information distance between them

The information metric is defined as

$$1 - \left| \langle \Phi(u) | \Phi(u + du) \rangle \right| = (du)^2 \cdot G_{uu}^{(B)}$$

If the metric is x-independent, we have

$$G_{uu}^{(B)} \sim \frac{1}{G_N} \int_{\Sigma u} dx^d \sqrt{g(x)} (K_u)^2. \rightarrow \text{Vanishes on extremal surfaces}$$

Extrinsic curvature

Example 1: a flat spacetime $\Rightarrow G_{uu}^{(B)} = 0$.

[u-Translational inv. $\Rightarrow |\Phi(u + du)\rangle = |\Phi(u)\rangle$.]

Example 2: an AdS spacetime [Nozaki-Ryu-TT 12]:

$$G_{uu}^{(B)} = N_{\text{deg}} \cdot \frac{V_d}{\mathcal{E}^d} \cdot e^{du} \Rightarrow \text{Agrees with cMERA for CFT}_{d+1}$$

(5-5) Diffeomorphism in cMERA and SS-correspondence

We define $l_n = \tilde{L}_{-n} - L_n$, ($|n| = 2, 3, \dots$).

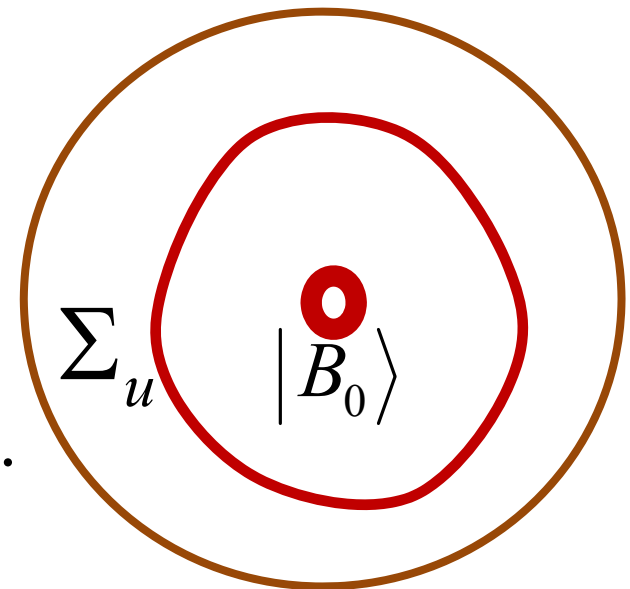
$$|0\rangle = P \exp\left(-i \int_{-\infty}^0 \hat{K}_g(u) du\right) |B_0\rangle,$$

$$\hat{K}_g(u) = \hat{g}(u) \hat{K}(u) \hat{g}(u)^{-1} + \partial_u g(u) \cdot g(u)^{-1},$$

where $g(u) = \exp\left[\sum_n \xi_n(u) l_n\right]$ with $\xi_n(0) = 0$.

The dual state of a surface Σ_u expected in SS-correspondence is given by the form:

$$|\Phi(\Sigma_u)\rangle = P \exp\left(-i \int_{-\infty}^u \hat{K}_g(s) ds\right) |B_0\rangle.$$



⑥ Conclusions

- Quantum entanglement represents a *geometry of quantum state* in many-body systems.

Tensor network $\Rightarrow$ Entanglement = geometry

Boundary states $\Leftrightarrow$ trivial (point-like) space

- AdS/MERA duality looks like a zero-th order approximation. $\Rightarrow$ We need some refinement.

(1) Integral geometry ?

(2) Perfect tensor network ? $\Rightarrow$ Surface/State corresp.

(3) continuum limit (cMERA) ?

So many future problems

- Planck scale locality in Tensor Networks ?
- Tensor networks for gauge theories ?
- Derivation of Einstein eq. (how to describe strongly coupled gauge theories ?)
- Determinations of $K(u)$ in cMERA ?
- Perfect Tensor models for real CFTs ?
- Holography for more general spacetimes and TNs ?
- Applications to black hole information problem ?

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