

ON THE ORIGIN OF  
GRAVITATIONAL THERMODYNAMICS

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## PUZZLE: EMPTY SPACE CAN ACT LIKE A THERMAL BODY

- ASSOCIATED TO EXISTENCE OF SPACETIME SINGULARITIES
- SOURCE OF "INFORMATION LOSS" PROBLEM

SUGGESTS: Spacetime is a coarse-grained effective description of a complex underlying structure

## TODAY

- ① REVIEW OF SEMICLASSICAL EVIDENCE
- ② EVIDENCE FOR COMPLEX MICROSTATES
- ③ MICROSTATE DETECTABILITY
- ④ WHAT DO MICROSTATES LOOK LIKE?



# BLACK HOLES

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$$\Delta M = \kappa \Delta A + \dots$$

$$\Delta A \geq 0$$

$\kappa = \text{CONST ON HORIZON}$

( $\kappa = \text{surface gravity}$ )

## THERMODYNAMICS

$$\Delta E = T \Delta S + \dots$$

$$\Delta S \geq 0$$

$T = \text{CONST. IN EQUILIBRIUM}$

- BLACK HOLE RADIATION



$$T = \kappa \quad (\text{Thermal})$$

⇒ BLACK HOLES ACT LIKE BLACK BODIES

- BUT BLACK HOLES ARISE AS SOLUTIONS TO THE VACUUM EQUATIONS OF MOTION

∴ THERMO → STAT. MECH?

Is empty, ~~space~~ curved space the universal effective description of  $e^S$  complex microstates?



# ACCELERATING UNIVERSES

- EMPTY,  $\Lambda > 0$ :  $S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^{d+1}x (R + \ell^2)$
- VACUUM SOLUTION = de Sitter SPACE
  - Ⓐ INFLATION ( $ds^2 = -dt^2 + e^{2t/\ell} d\vec{x}^2$ )
  - Ⓑ OUR FATE IF DARK ENERGY EXISTS

• THE INERTIAL OBSERVER SEES THE PATCH

$$ds^2 = -\left(1 - \frac{r^2}{\ell^2}\right) dt^2 + \left(\right)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_{d-1}^2$$



$r = \ell =$  COSMOLOGICAL HORIZON

$$S \sim \ell^{d-1}$$

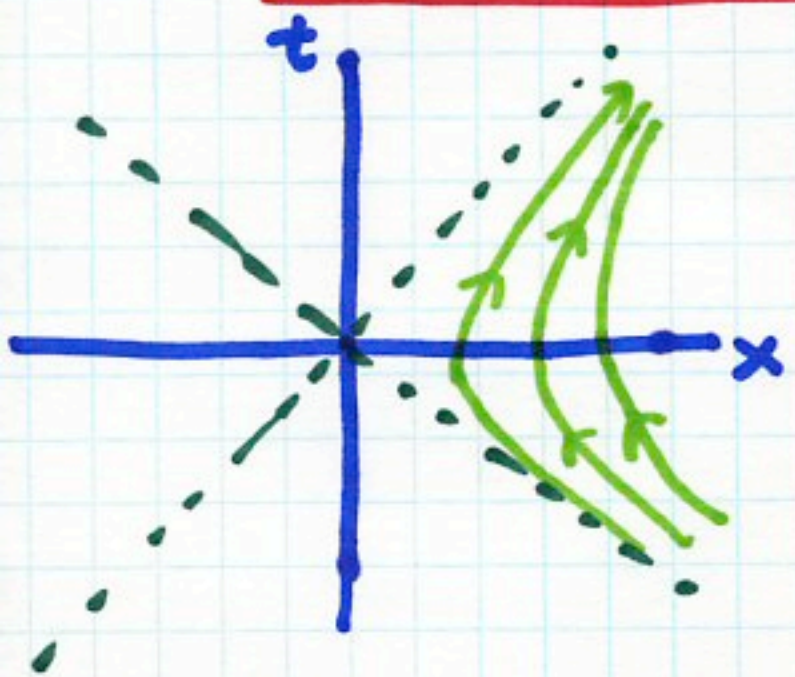
$$T = \frac{1}{2\pi\ell}$$

} ENTROPY & TEMP SEEN BY INERTIAL OBSERVERS

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?  
HOW CAN EMPTY ACCELERATING UNIVERSES HAVE AN ENTROPY?



# ACCELERATED OBSERVERS IN FLAT SPACE



FAMILY OF ACC. OBSERVERS  
 SEES A HORIZON OBEYING  
 LAWS OF HORIZON MECHANICS  
 + UNRUH RADIATION

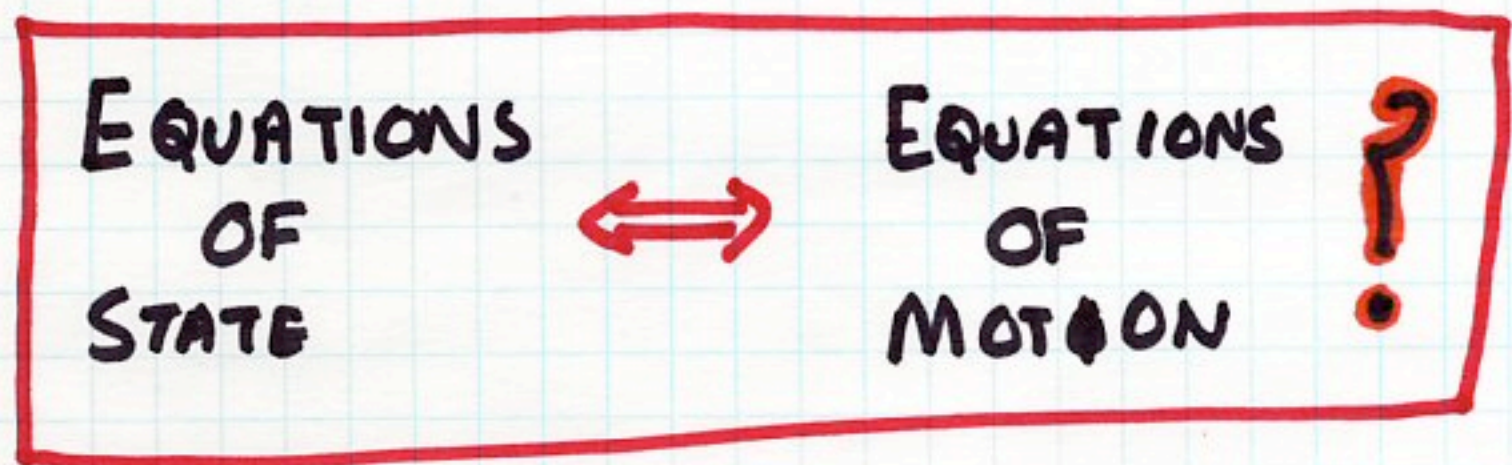
● ASSUME EINSTEIN'S EQNS. OF MOTION  $\Rightarrow$  THERMO. IN ACCELERATED FRAMES (EQNS. OF STATE)

## JACOBSON'S ARGUMENT

ASSUME ACCELERATED OBSERVERS SEE HORIZON THERMODYNAMICS

(  $\nearrow$   $SM = \kappa SA$  ;  $SA \geq 0 \dots$  )

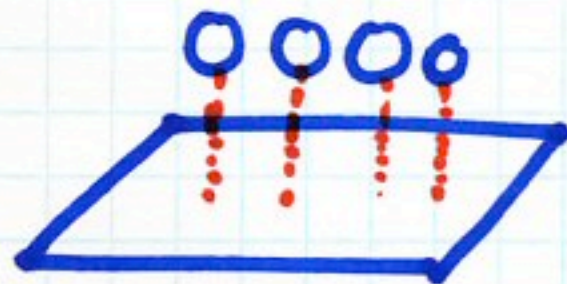
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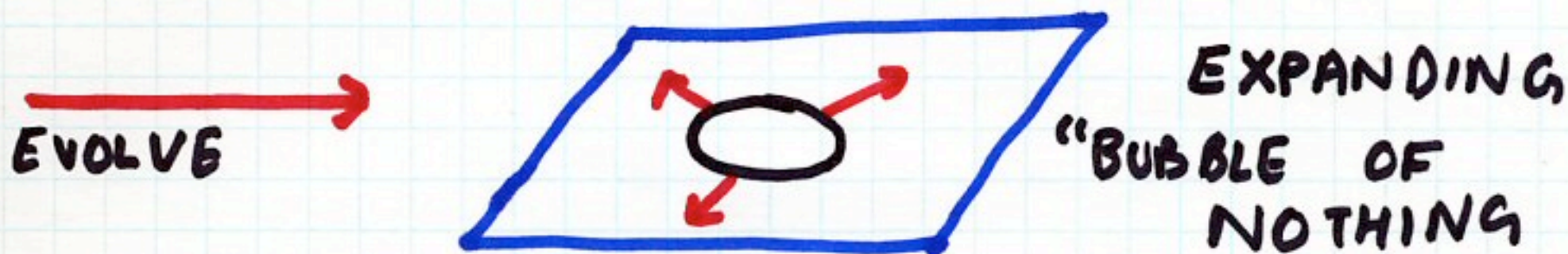


# THE NOTHING STATE

- KALUZA-KLEIN COMPACTIFICATION OF FLAT SPACE ON A CIRCLE  
 $R^{3,1} \times S^1$



- THIS SPACE CAN DECAY BY TUNNELING TO  
★ "NOTHING"



FLAT SPACE IS NOT THE GROUND STATE OF GRAVITY WHEN THERE ARE EXTRA DIMS. (AND SUSY IS BROKEN)



# GROUND STATE OF 3d GRAVITY

$$S \sim \int (R + \Lambda) \sqrt{g}$$

No GRAVITON  
IN 3d

$$\sim \int A_{\pm} dA_{\pm} + A_{\pm} \wedge A_{\pm} \wedge A_{\pm} + \int A_{+} \rightarrow A_{-}$$



GROUND:  
STATE

$$A_{\pm} = 0$$



NOTHING  
STATE



## CLAIMS

- 1 VERY HEAVY PURE STATES IN GRAVITY APPEAR MIXED TO ALMOST ALL PROBES
- 2 THE UNDERLYING PURE MICROSTATES FORM A TOPOLOGICALLY COMPLEX "QUANTUM FOAM"
- 3 THE UNIVERSAL LONG-DISTANCE EFFECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF SUCH FOAMS IS VIA THE USUAL SINGULAR GEOMETRIES, PERHAPS WITH HORIZONS
- 4 THIS IS THE GENERAL MECHANISM FOR THE EMERGENT THERMODYNAMICS OF GRAVITY

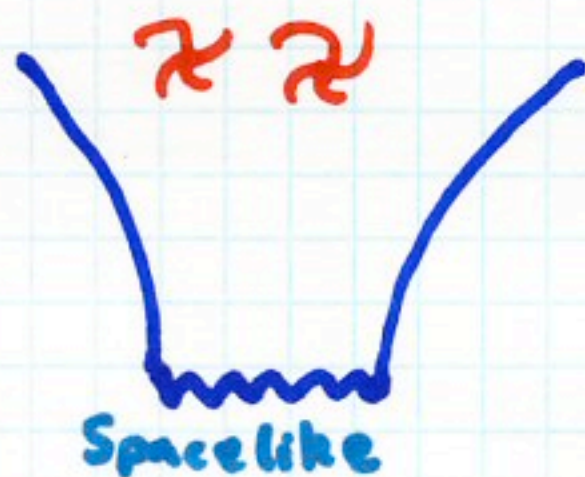
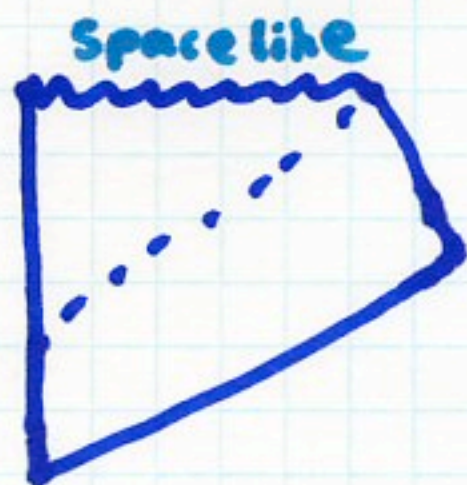
Space-time is an emergent phenomenon?  
— A Long-distance description of a complex underlying quantum state which may not have a geometric description



# MEASURABILITY?

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- SCHWARZSCHILD BLACK HOLE SINGULARITY & BIG BANG SINGULARITY ARE SIMILAR



INFLATION  $\sim e^{60}$   
 $\sim 10^{30}$

- INFLATION MIGHT BE ABLE TO TRANSPORT & IMPRINT PLANCK SCALE PHENOMENA INTO THE CMBR
- WHAT IS THE RELEVANT PLANCK SCALE PHYSICS? "QUANTUM FOAM"?
- ALTERNATIVELY, LARGE EXTRA DIMENSION SCENARIO:  $l_p \gg l_{p4}$ 
  - ↳ PHENOMENA DESCRIBED HERE ARE MORE ACCESSIBLE.



# THE SETUP

- WHAT ARE THE COMPLEX MICROSTATES?  
WHY ARE THEY HARD TO DETECT?

- STEP 1: PUT BLACK HOLE IN A BOX  
⇒ EQUILIBRIUM WITH RADIATION

- COVARIANT WAY TO DO THIS:  $\Lambda < 0$

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} (R - \Lambda)$$

- VACUUM = AdS SPACE

$$ds^2 = - \left(1 + \frac{r^2}{\ell^2}\right) dt^2 + \left(\right)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

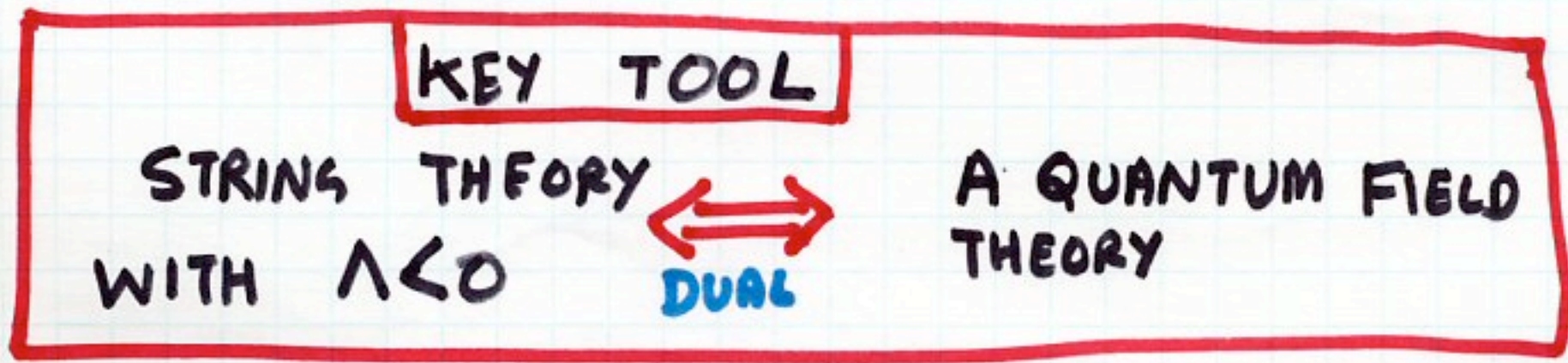


(GEOMETRY MAKES POT. BARRIER)

- BLACK HOLES

$$ds^2 = - \left(1 + \frac{r^2}{\ell^2} - \frac{r_0^2}{r^2}\right) dt^2 + \left(\right)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

- LARGE ( $r_0 \gtrsim \ell$ ) AdS BLACK HOLES COME INTO EQUILIBRIUM WITH RADIATION





# GRAVITY $\leftrightarrow$ GAUGE THEORY

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- STRING THEORY IN ASYMP. AdS SPACETIMES  $\leftrightarrow$  QUANTUM FIELD THEORY

## • EXAMPLE:

- STRING THEORY IN  $AdS_5 \times S^5$   $\leftrightarrow$   $SU(N)$  GAUGE THEORY WITH 16 SUPERCHARGES ON A CYLINDER  $S^3 \times \text{TIME}$

## THE DICTIONARY

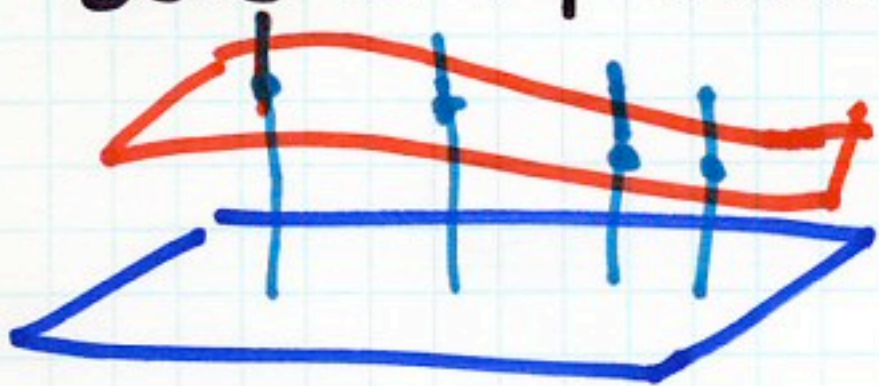
- AdS SCALE  $l$
- STRING COUPLING  $g_s$
- STRING LENGTH  $l_s$
- $G_5 \sim \frac{g_s^2 l_s^8}{l^5}$
- SPACETIME ISOMETRIES } GLOBAL SYMMETRIES (Super-Conformal...)
- STATES IN GRAVITY WITH MASS  $M$  } STATES OF FIELD THEORY WITH  $E = M$
- $[\Delta = Ml = \text{CONF. DIM. OF OPERATOR}]$
- SEMICLASSICAL LIMIT:  $\frac{l}{l_s} \gg 1, g_s \ll 1 \Rightarrow N \gg 1$



## REMARK

- 3+1d FIELD THEORY  $\Leftrightarrow$  10d GRAVITY
- WHERE DO THE EXTRA 6 DIMS. & THE GRAVITON EMERGE FROM?
- COUPLINGS  $\Rightarrow$  BOUNDARY VALUES
- Renormalization Group Equations of QFT  $\Rightarrow$  E.O.M. OF GRAVITY

Scheme Dependence  $\Rightarrow$  Diffeomorphism Invariance



- TODAY WE'LL FOLLOW A DIFFERENT ROUTE — USE FIELD THEORY DUAL TO DIRECTLY EXAMINE SPACETIME MICROSTATES.



# BLACK HOLES & MICROSTATES

- $ds^2 = -\left[1 + \frac{r^2}{\ell^2} - \frac{r_0^2}{\ell^2}\right] dt^2 + [\dots]^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_3^2$
- $M \sim \frac{r_0^2}{G_5} \Rightarrow \Delta \sim M \ell \sim N^2$  IN DUAL
- $S \sim \frac{A}{G_5} \sim N^2 \Rightarrow e^{N^2}$  SUCH MICROSTATES
- |BH microstate  $\rangle = |\Theta\rangle$  ;  $\Delta(\Theta) \sim N^2$

SUGRA STATES:	$\Delta \sim \Theta(1)$
STRINGS:	$\Delta \sim (g_s N)^{1/2}$
D-BRANES:	$\Delta \sim N$

• WHAT DO MICROSTATES OPERATORS LOOK LIKE?  
LONG, GAUGE-INVARIANT POLYNOMIALS IN  
THE FIELDS  $\{A_m, \psi, X, Y, Z\}$   
GAUGE FIELD      FERMION      ADJOINT SCALARS.

**e.g.**  $\Theta = \text{Tr} [X X Y \bar{X} Z Z \bar{X} \dots]$  —  $O(N^2)$  LETTERS

Sprinkle Traces, Derivatives, Other Fields

- BUT?
  - (i) NO SUSY — RENORMALIZATION?
  - (ii) MIXING
  - (iii) TRACES SPLIT UP



**CLAIM:** LET  $|\theta\rangle = \theta|0\rangle$ ;  $\theta_p =$  ANY PROBE  
 THEN  $\langle \theta | \theta_p \dots \theta_p | \theta \rangle$  DEPENDS ONLY ON  
 $\Delta$  & GLOBAL CHARGES OF  $\theta$  &  $\theta_p$  UP TO  
 $\theta(e^{-N^2})$  CORRECTIONS. [MICROSTATE ESSENTIALLY INVISIBLE]

**WHY?**

a) ALMOST ALL LONG STRINGS  $\in$  { TYPICAL SET } OF  
 STATISTICALLY RANDOM STRINGS

eg. Prob [Rand. lett. = X] =  $\frac{1}{|\text{Alphabet}|} \equiv P(X)$

b) SANON'S THEOREM

$P_r[\text{LETTER DIST.} = q(x)] = e^{-\Delta D(p||q)}$  } ATYPICAL FRACTION  $\rightarrow 0$   
 $D(p||q) = \sum_i p(i) \ln \frac{p(i)}{q(i)}$

c) STATISTICS CONTROLS CORRELATORS

$\langle 0 | \text{Tr}(XYZ \text{ XX YY X }^\dagger \text{Tr}(XX)^\dagger \text{Tr}(XX) \text{Tr}(\dots) | 0 \rangle$

- EACH TERM IN CORRELATOR IS DETERMINED BY THE PATTERN OF CONTRACTION — COMPLETELY DETERMINED BY STATISTICS OF RANDOM POLYNOMIALS
- TRUE FOR ALL PROBES (STRINGS  $\Delta \sim (gN)^{1/4}$ ; BRANES  $\Delta \sim N$ )
- HEAVY PROBES DO NOT DECOUPLE — LIKE A BLACK HOLE, NOT LIKE A THERMAL GAS



BOTTOM LINE: (a) ESSENTIALLY UNIVERSAL PROBE  
MEASUREMENTS OF VERY COMPLEX STATES.

(b) VERY PRECISE (ATYPICAL) MEASUREMENTS CAN  
DETECT THE ~~STATE~~ MICROSTATE

## MICROSTATE DETECTION

• WITHOUT EXTRA SYMMETRIES, SPECTRUM OF  
HAMILTONIAN IS NON-DEGENERATE

⇒ EACH MICROSTATE HAS A [UP TO ROTATIONS]  
UNIQUE MASS

⇒ PRECISE MASS MEASUREMENT DETERMINES  
STATE

• HOW PRECISE?

(i) BETWEEN  $M$  &  $M + \Delta M \sim e^{S(M)}$  STATES

(ii)  $\Delta M \sim M_p c$

(iii)  $\Delta M =$  LEVEL SPACING  $\sim M_p \rightarrow e^{-S}$

• TO MEASURE WITH SUCH PRECISION

$$\Delta t \Delta E \geq \hbar \Rightarrow \Delta t \sim \frac{\hbar}{M_p} e^S$$

ALSO  $S \sim \frac{A}{G \hbar} \Rightarrow$  AT FIXED  $A, G$   
 $\hbar \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \Delta t \rightarrow \infty$

• VERY ATYPICAL MEASUREMENTS ARE NEEDED  
TO DETECT STATE. INFO. LOST WHEN  $\hbar \rightarrow 0$ ,  
ALWAYS AVAILABLE OTHERWISE.



# EFFECTIVE BLACK HOLE

- DOES THE UNIVERSAL PART OF A TYPICAL CORRELATOR LOOK LIKE A MEASUREMENT IN A BLACK HOLE BACKGROUND?
- e.g. BTZ BLACK HOLES IN 2+1 DIMS. WITH  $\Lambda < 0$
- EMBED IN

STRING THEORY  
ON  $AdS_3 \times S^3 \times T^4$   
SCALE  $\ell$



(4,4) SUSY G-MODEL  
ON  $(T^4)^N / S_N$   
 $\ell \sim N^{1/4}$

- MICROSTATE OPERATORS FOR THE EXTREME BTZ BLACK HOLE ( $M=0$ ) ARE CONSTRUCTED FROM THE "TWIST OPERATORS" OF THE G-MODEL

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma_n^\mu \\ \text{BOSONIC} \end{array} \right\}, \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tau_n^\mu \\ \text{FERMIONIC} \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} n=1 \dots N \\ \mu=1 \dots 8 \end{array}$$

$$\sigma = \prod_{n,\mu} (\sigma_n^\mu)^{N_{n\mu}} (\tau_n^\mu)^{N'_{n\mu}}$$
$$\sum_{n,\mu} n (N_{n\mu} + N'_{n\mu}) = N$$

OPERATORS  
CREATING  
BTZ BLACK  
HOLE  
MICROSTATES

EACH MICROSTATE IS DEFINED BY ITS  
TWIST DISTRIBUTION  $\{N_{n\mu}, N'_{n\mu}\}$

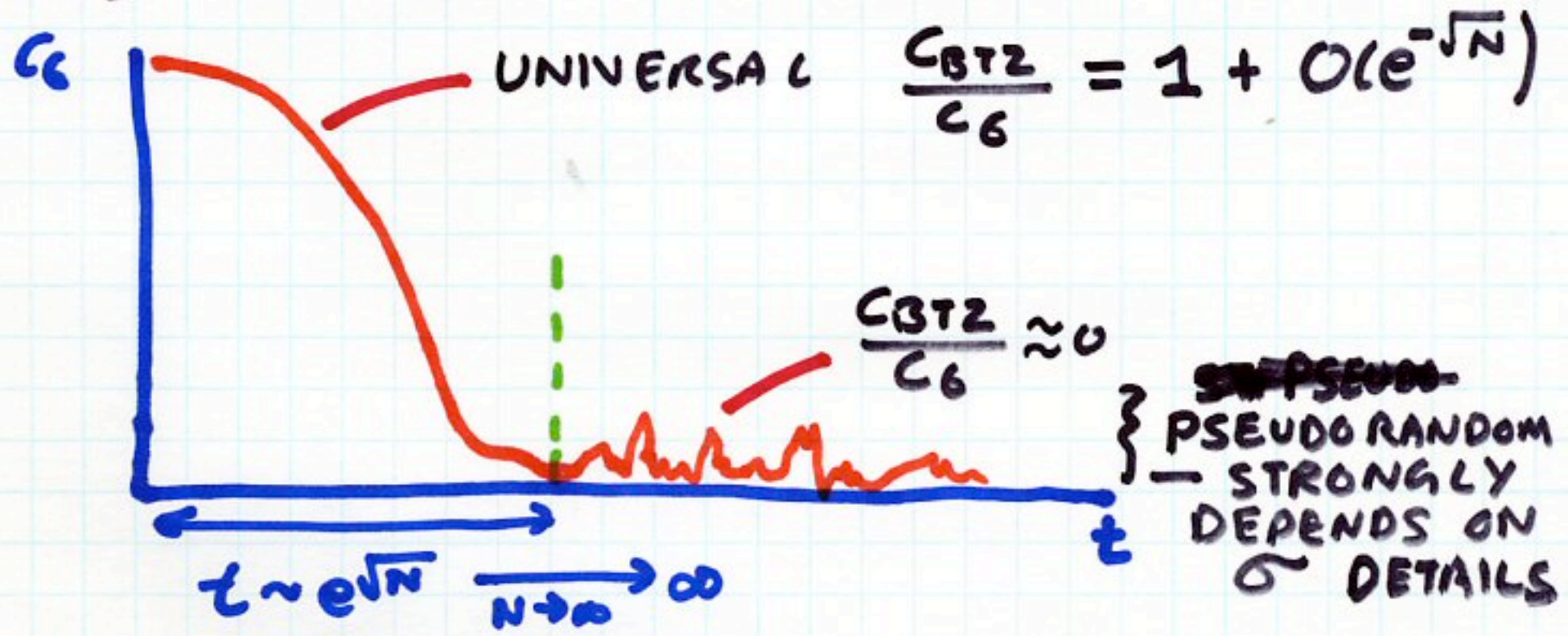


**CLAIM 1:** AT LARGE N ALMOST ALL MICROSTATES HAVE TWIST DISTRIBUTIONS THAT ARE SMALL PERTURBATIONS OF

$$N_{nM} = \frac{1}{e^{\beta n} - 1} ; N'_{nM} = \frac{1}{e^{\beta n} + 1}$$

- PROVE THIS BY STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF STRUCTURE OF  $\sigma = \prod_n (\sigma_n^M)^{N_{nM}} (z_n^M)^{N'_{nM}}$
- DEGENERACY:  $d_N \sim e^{\sqrt{N}} \Rightarrow S \sim \sqrt{N}$

**CLAIM 2** LET A BE ANY (UNTWISTED) OPERATOR, (e.g. OPERATOR DUAL TO GRAVITON). THEN  $C_G = \langle G | A(0) A(t) | G \rangle$  FOR A TYPICAL STATE IS GIVEN BY



EXACT CORRELATOR LOOKS LIKE BLACK HOLE RESULT FOR  $t \sim e^{\sqrt{N}}$  AND DEVIATES STRONGLY AFTERWARDS



## LESSON

UNIVERSAL EFFECTIVE BLACK HOLE BEHAVIOUR FOR "TYPICAL" CORRELATORS IN A "TYPICAL" STATE.

BUT EXTREMELY PRECISE MEASUREMENTS SEE MICROSTATE DETAILS.

- What do the microstates "look like"?
- How can the "measurement of the state" be happening ~~in view of~~ if the black hole has horizon?



# MICROSTATES IN GRAVITY

- TECHNICAL CONTROL: BPS STATES OF GRAVITY WITH  $\Lambda < 0$  IN  $D=3,5$
  - BLACK OBJECTS
    - $D=3$ : EXTREME BTZ, BLACK RINGS ...
    - $D=5$ : EXTREME "SUPERSTAR" ...
  - CLASSICAL MODULI SPACES OF CANDIDATE BLACK HOLE MICROSTATES WITHOUT HORIZONS OR SINGULARITIES
    - $2+d$ ,  $\Lambda < 0$ : MATHUR, LUNIN, ...
    - $4+d$ ,  $\Lambda < 0$ : LIN, LUNIN, MALDACENA ...
  - CORE OF "MICROSTATES" CONTAINS REGION OF COMPLEX TOPOLOGY, WITH PLANCK-SCALE DETAILS
- Eg.  $\frac{1}{2}$  BPS ASYMP.  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  SOLUTIONS



- SPECIAL TWO-PLANE NEAR ORIGIN
- DIFFERENT  $S^3$  COLLAPSE OVER EACH POINT
- TYPICAL STATE FOR FIXED D MASS IS A "FOAM" OF  $S^3$  BUBBLES AT PLANCK SCALE



CLASSICAL GRAVITY APPLIES AT  $L \gg \ell_p$

⇒ MUST QUANTIZE "FOAM";  
THEN COARSE-GRAIN

Q1: How Do WE QUANTIZE  
THIS CLASSICAL MODULI SPACE?

Q2: WHAT IS THE RELATION  
TO BLACK HOLES?



A1: USE THE AdS/CFT DUALITY TO  
QUANTIZE

A2: THE BLACK HOLE IS THE UNIVERSAL  
~~SE~~ EFFECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF  
ALMOST ALL QUANTIZED MICROSTATES  
FOR ALMOST ALL PROBES



# HALF-BPS STATES OF $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM

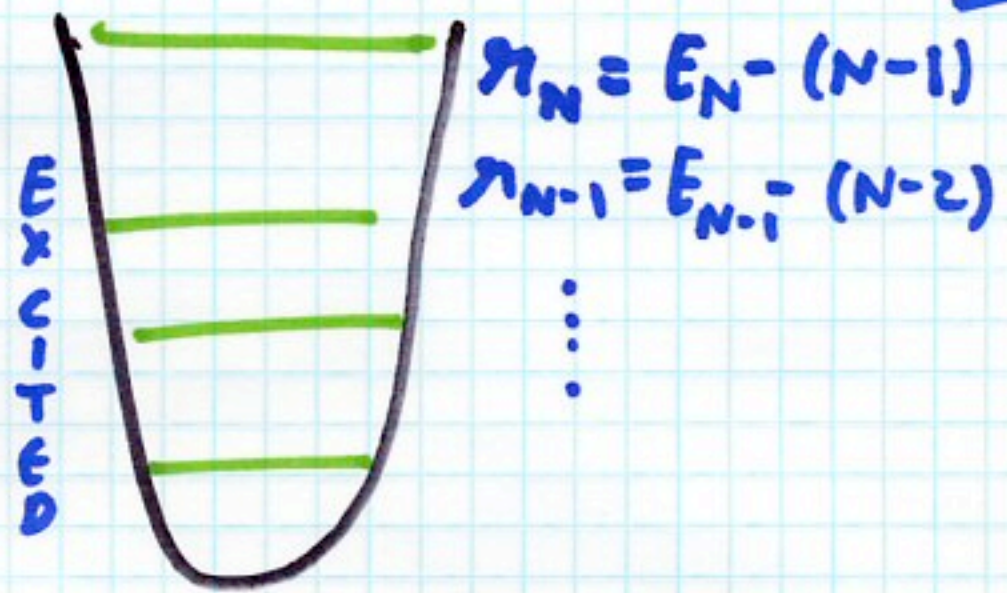
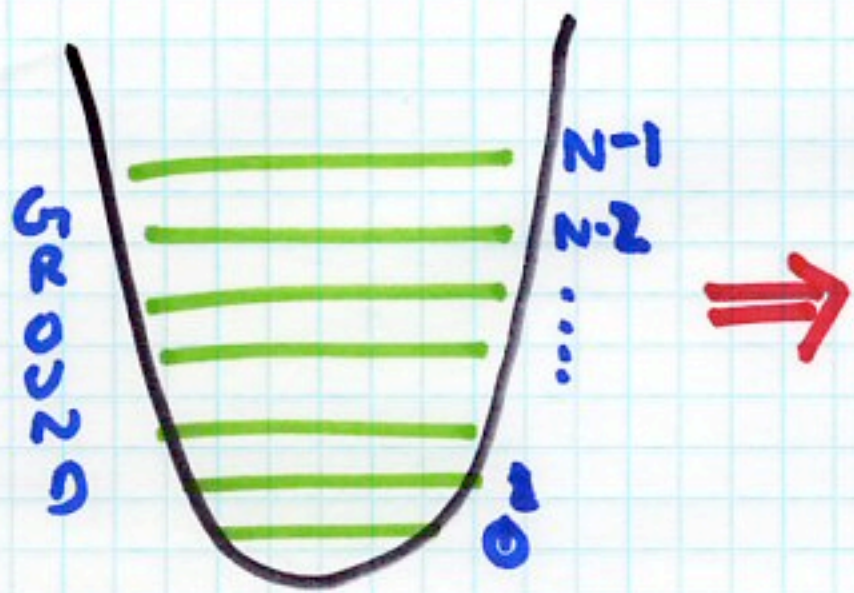
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- FIELDS  $\{A_\mu, \psi, X, Y, Z\}$ ,  $SO(6)$  R-SYMMETRY
- $\frac{1}{2}$  BPS:  $(0, p, 0)$  REPS OF  $SO(6)$ ,  $\Delta = J$   
 $\Rightarrow$  HIGHEST WEIGHT STATES ARE POLY. IN  $X$
- $\Theta_T = \sum_{\sigma} a(\sigma) X_{i\sigma(1)}^{i_1} \dots X_{i\sigma(N)}^{i_N}$ ;  $T = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \end{array}$  CJR
- eg  $i_N$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array} \right\} = 1$  D-BRANE  $\Theta_T = \det X$ ;  $|s\rangle = \Theta_T |0\rangle$

## SIMPLER FORMULATION

- $\frac{1}{2}$  BPS STATES OF  $\mathcal{N}=4$  ON  $S^3 \times \mathbb{R}$   $\Leftrightarrow$  STATES OF  $N$  FERMIONS IN A HARMONIC POTENTIAL
  - WHY? ONLY ZERO-MODE OF  $X$  CAN CONTRIBUTE TO  $\frac{1}{2}$  BPS STATE  
$$X = \underbrace{X_0}_{\Delta=J} + \sum_i \underbrace{(\partial_1 \dots \partial_i X)}_{\Delta > J} y^i$$
  - ALSO ONLY  $X$ , NOT  $\bar{X}$
  - $\Rightarrow$  HERMITIAN MATRIX MODEL
  - $\Rightarrow$  EIGENVALUES ARE FERMIONS
- $Z = \int \mathcal{D}X e^{i \int dt \dot{X}^2 + \frac{1}{2} R X^2}$   
CURVATURE OF  $S^3$





$$\psi = \begin{vmatrix} H_{E_1}(x_1) & H_{E_1}(x_2) & \dots \\ H_{E_2}(x_1) & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & & \end{vmatrix}$$

$$r_N \geq r_{N-1} \geq \dots \geq r_1$$

$$T = \begin{matrix} \square & \square & \square & \dots & \square \\ \square & \square & \square & \dots & \square \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ \square & \square & \square & \dots & \square \end{matrix}$$

CLAIM (CJR, BERENSTEIN)

$$\psi \iff \theta_T |0\rangle \quad \left. \vphantom{\psi} \right\} \theta_T = \sum_{\sigma} a(\sigma) X_{i(\sigma)}^{i_1} \dots X_{i(\sigma)}^{i_N}$$

$$\sum_i r_i \iff \Delta(\theta_T)$$

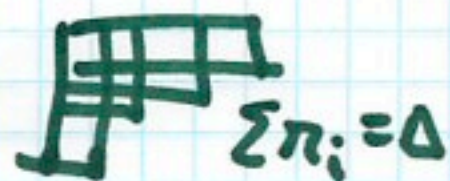
FOR CONFORMAL DIMENSION  
 $\Delta \sim N^2$  (BLACK HOLE MASSES)  
 WHAT IS THE TYPICAL STATE?



# TYPICAL HALF-BPS STATES

● GIVEN  $\Delta \sim N^2$  WHAT IS THE TYPICAL STATE?

⇔ TYPICAL PARTITION OF  $\Delta \sim N^2$  INTO  $N$  INTEGERS

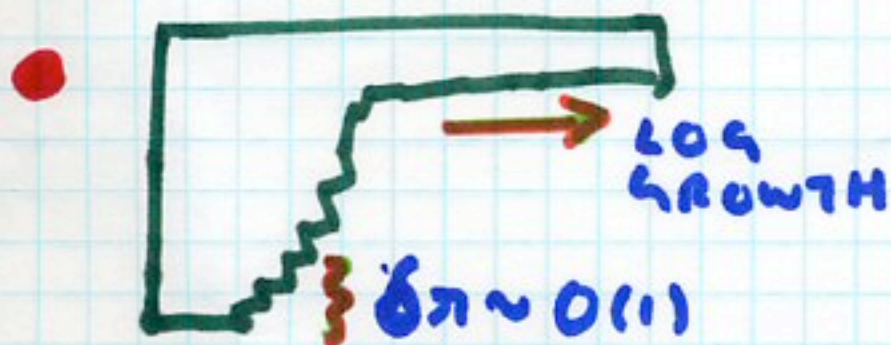


● SOLVE USING CANONICAL ENSEMBLE

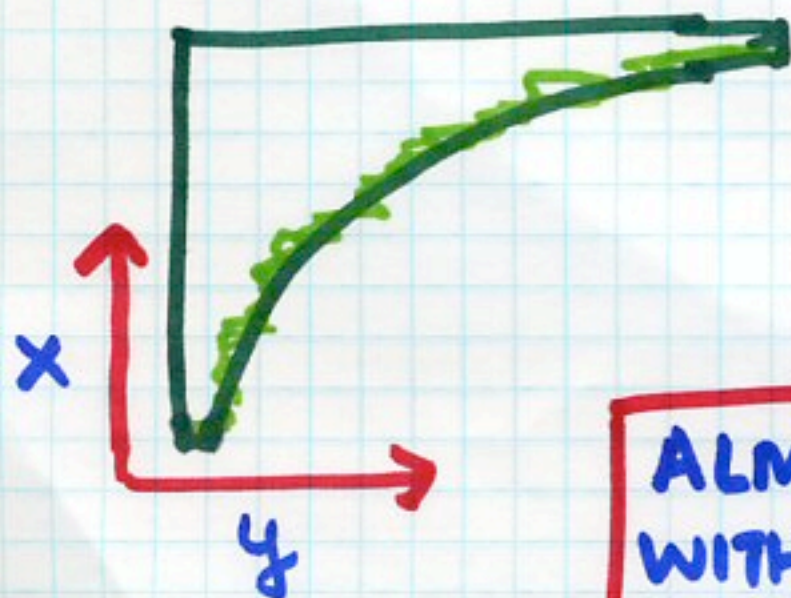
(1)  $\langle c_i \rangle = \left\langle \begin{matrix} \# \text{ OF COLUMNS} \\ \text{OF LENGTH } i \end{matrix} \right\rangle = \frac{e^{-\beta i}}{1 - e^{-\beta i}}$  } LIKE A PHOTON GAS

(2)  $\Delta = N^2 \gamma \Rightarrow \beta \sim \frac{1}{N\gamma}$

(3)  $\text{Var}(c_i) = \frac{e^{-\beta i}}{(1 - e^{-\beta i})^2} = \frac{\langle c_i \rangle}{1 - e^{-\beta i}}$



SEMICLASSICAL LIMIT:  
 $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\hbar N$  FIXED



SMOOTH LIMIT CURVE

$$e^{-\beta(N-x)} + c(N) e^{-\beta\gamma} = 1$$

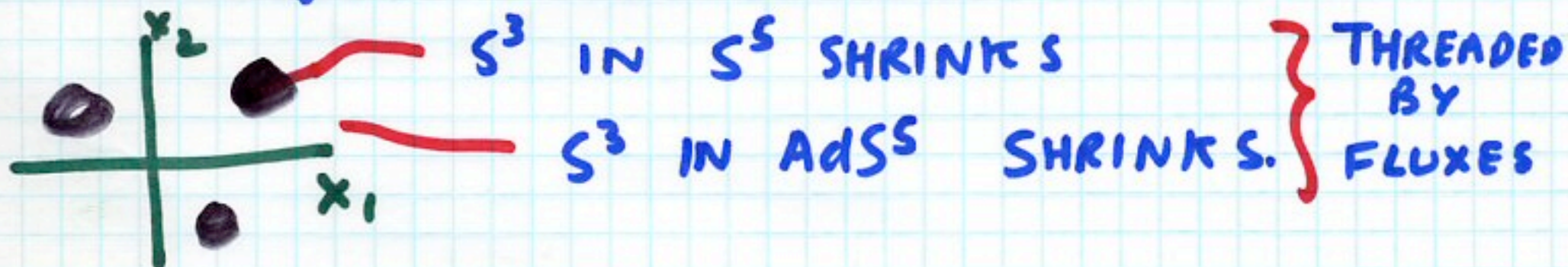
ALMOST ALL HALF-BPS STATES WITH  $\Delta \sim N^2$  ARE SMALL FLUCTUATIONS AROUND THIS STATE.



# 1/2-BPS OF $S^d, \Lambda < 0$ GRAVITY

## FOR OUR PURPOSES

- (i) COMPLICATED, A SYMP.  $AdS_5 \times S^5$
- (ii) RADIAL COOR  $y$ ; METRIC FUNCTION  $u(y)$
- (iii)  $y \rightarrow 0$ :  $(x_1, x_2)$  WITH COMPLEX TOPOLOGY
- (iv)  $u(0, x_1, x_2)$  FIXES FULL SOLUTION ( $\nabla_y^2 u = 0$ )
- (v)  $u \xrightarrow{y \rightarrow 0} 0 \Rightarrow$  NON-SINGULAR



## ● FLUX QUANTIZATION $\Rightarrow$

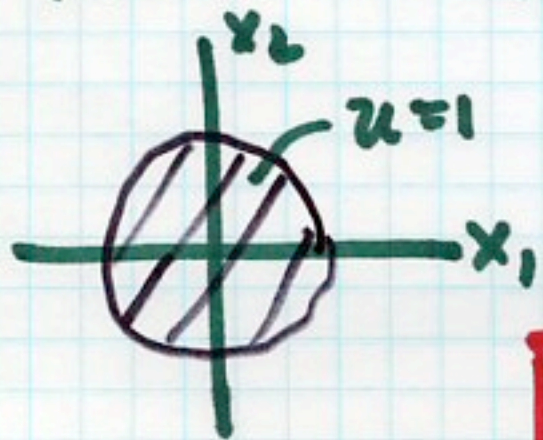
(i) GRAVITY  
 $l_p^4$

SYM  
 $*$

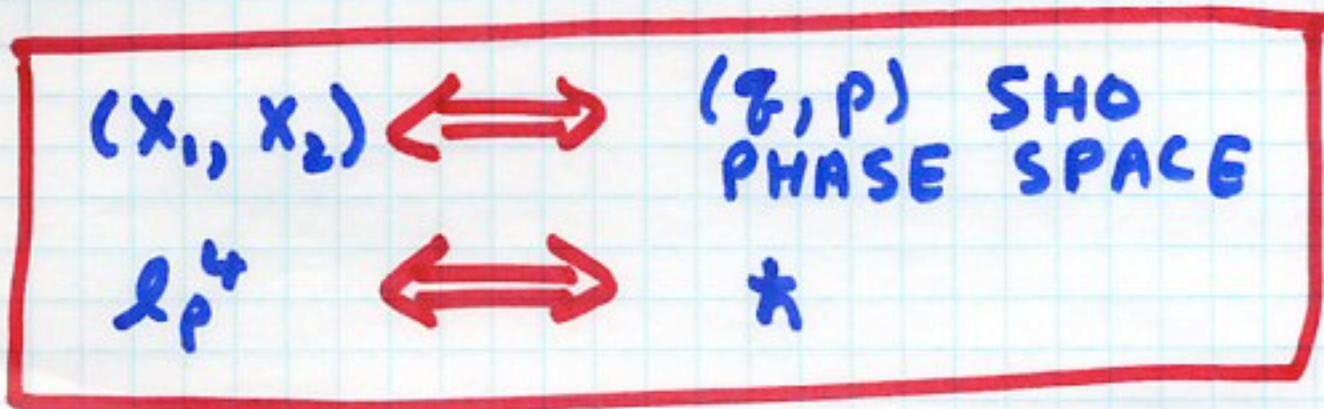


(ii) ENERGY  $\approx \int_{R^2} (x_1^2 + x_2^2) u(0, x_1, x_2) = \Delta$

(iii) UNITS OF FLUX  $\sim \int_{R^2} u(0, x_1, x_2) = N = \#$  OF FERMIONS



$= AdS_5 \times S^5 =$  GROUND STATE (FERMI SEA)



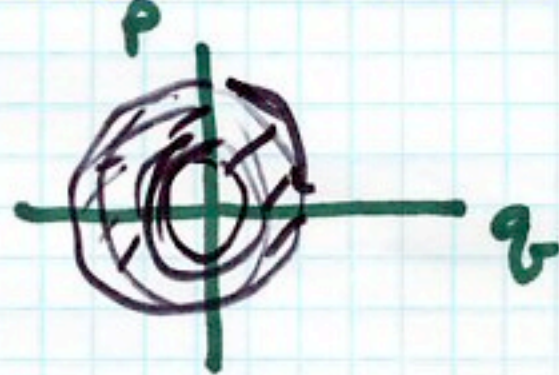


# PHASE SPACE DISTRIBUTION (WIGNER) 57

- $\rho = |\Psi(x_1, \dots, x_N)\rangle \langle \Psi(y_1, \dots, y_N)|$   
 INTEGRATE OUT FERMIONS  $2 \dots N$   
 FOURIER TRANSFORM  $x_1 - y_1 \rightarrow p; x_1 + y_1 \sim q$   
 $\Rightarrow W(p, q)$

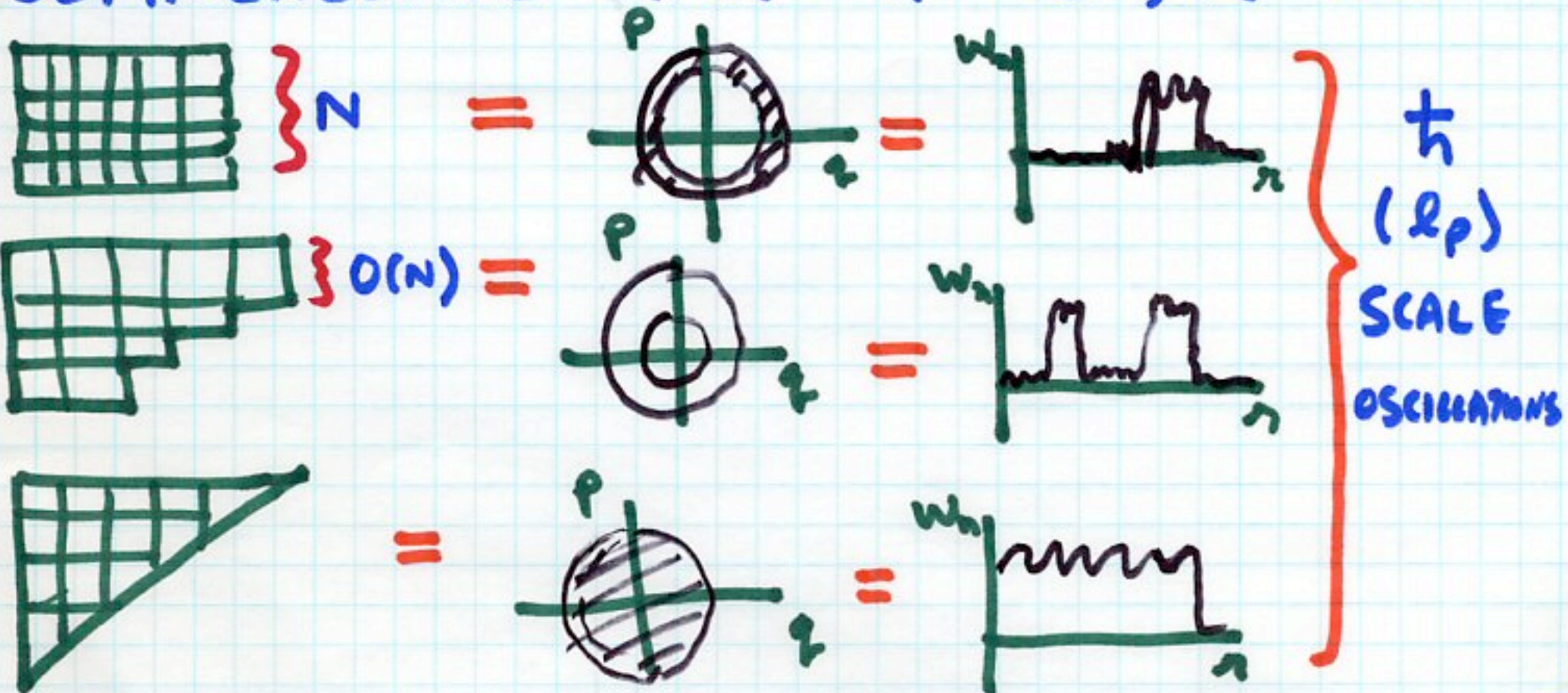
$$\langle \mathcal{O}_F(p, q)_{Weyl} \rangle = \int dp dq F(p, q) W(p, q)$$

- $|n\text{th SHO EIGENSTATE}\rangle \rightarrow W_n(p, q) = \text{LAGUERRE POLYNOMIAL}$



QUANTUM OSCILLATIONS AT  $\hbar$  SCALE  
 $(q, p) \rightarrow (x_1, x_2) \Rightarrow \text{OSC. AT } \ell_p \text{ SCALE}$

- SEMICLASSICAL LIMIT:  $\hbar \rightarrow 0; N \rightarrow \infty$





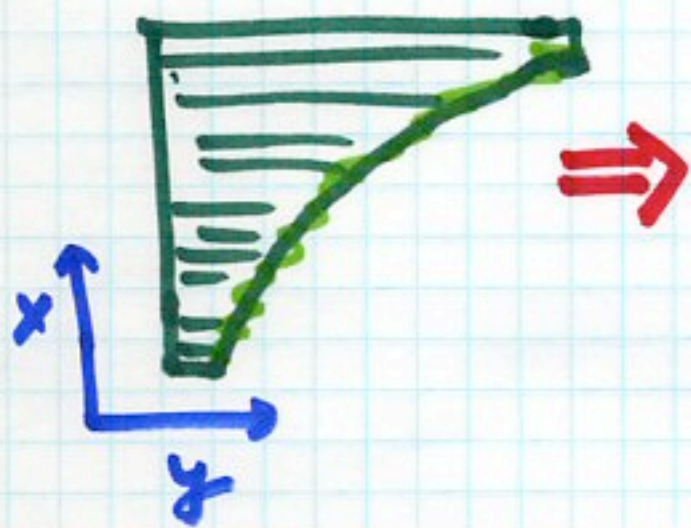
# COARSE GRAINING

- SEMICLASSICAL OBSERVABLES PROBE SCALES  $\gg \hbar$

- COARSENING SCALE  $\Delta E$  ( $\frac{\Delta E}{\hbar} \xrightarrow{\hbar \rightarrow 0} \infty$ )

LET  $g =$  COARSE-GRAINED FERMION PHASE SPACE DISTRIBUTION

$$g(E) = \frac{\int_E^{E+\Delta E} dp dq W}{\int_E^{E+\Delta E} dp dq}$$



$$g(E) \sim \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta E} = \frac{1}{\Delta E / \Delta x}$$

$$E = x + y$$



$$g(E) = \frac{1}{1 + y'}$$

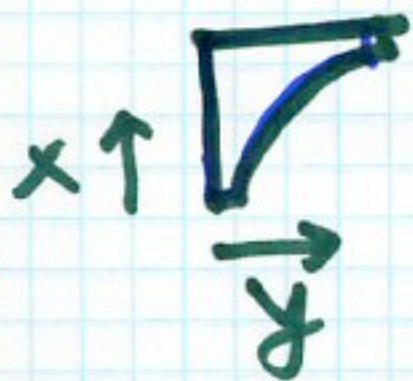
- CLAIM:
- SEMICLASSICAL OBSERVABLES ONLY SENSE  $g(E)$ , ALMOST ALL  $\frac{1}{2}$ -BPS STATES ~~OR~~ HAVE THE SAME  $g(E)$



# MAP TO GRAVITY

## FIELD THEORY

- $E = \mathcal{L}(p^2 + q^2) (p, q)$
- $E = p^2 + q^2$
- $g(E) = \frac{1}{1+y'}$

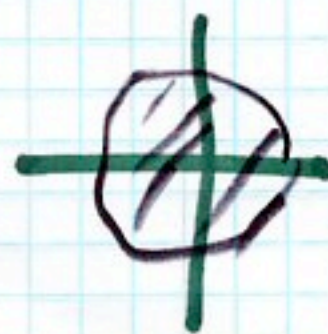


## GRAVITY

$$(x_1, x_2)$$

$$\pi^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2$$

$$\mathcal{Z}(\pi^2)$$



- TYPICAL STATES

$$e^{-\beta(N-x)} + (N) e^{-\beta y} = 1$$

$\Rightarrow$  UNIVERSAL  $\mathcal{Z}(\pi^2) \neq 0, 1$

UNIVERSAL SINGULAR EFFECTIVE  
DESCRIPTION OF SMOOTH QUANTUM  
STATE



# LESSONS & QUESTIONS

- (a) UNIVERSAL (PERHAPS SINGULAR) EFFECTIVE DESCRIPTIONS IN GRAVITY OF UNDERLYING SMOOTH QUANTUM STATES
- (b) GENERIC ORIGIN OF GRAVITATIONAL THERMODYNAMICS?  
NO DECOUPLING IN GRAVITY  $\Rightarrow$   
INTEGRATING OUT  $q_p$  LEADS TO MIXED EFFECTIVE STATE?

## QUESTIONS

- (a) "FOAM" FOR NON-SUSY STATES?
- (b) CLASSICAL MANIFESTATIONS OF UNDERLYING QUANTUM STATES (INTERFERENCE)
- (c) FLAT SPACE
- (d) RESOLVING BIG BANG SINGULARITIES