

# Black Hole Vacua

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based on work with Andrew,

## Introduction

- Andrew enjoyed working on the weird and the geometrical
- The first talk of his I heard was on **pinors**  
not a typo!  
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- Worked on
  - Twistors
  - MM-Theory
- This talk: geometry of black holes

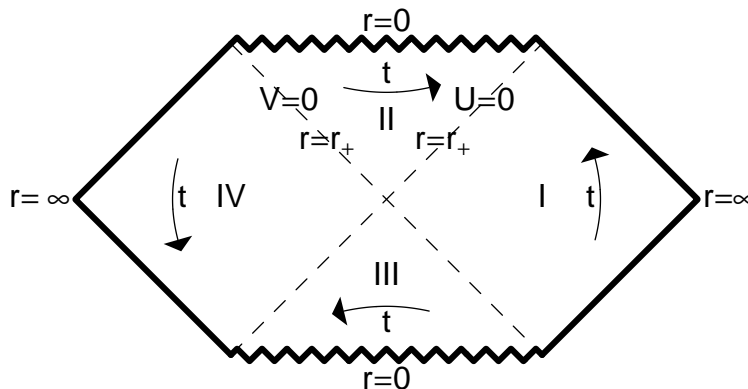
## The Schwarzschild Geometry

- Usual (exterior) metric:

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

- Kruskal (global) coordinates:

$$ds^2 = e^{-\frac{r}{2m}} \left( 16 \frac{m^2}{r} \right) \overbrace{\left( -dT^2 + dZ^2 \right)}^{-2dUdV} + r^2 d\Omega^2$$



- Andrew's Ph.D. advisor studied some discrete symmetries:

- $R_T: (T, Z, \theta, \phi) \rightarrow (-T, Z, \theta, \phi)$  fixed points at  $T = 0$
- $R_Z: (T, Z, \theta, \phi) \rightarrow (T, -Z, \theta, \phi)$  fixed points at  $Z = 0$
- $P: (T, Z, \theta, \phi) \rightarrow (T, Z, \pi - \theta, \phi + \pi)$  acts freely

## Schwarzschild Symmetries

- Of the discrete symmetries  $R_T, R_Z, P$ 
  - $J = PR_ZR_T$  commutes with all the continuous symmetries of the spacetime
- Has been used to study the time non-orientable quotient Schwarzschild/ $J$

## More Schwarzschild Geometry

We continue à là Andrew and his advisor:

**Complexified** Schwarzschild is an algebraic variety in  $\mathbb{C}^7$ :

$$\begin{aligned}(Z^6)^2 - (Z^7)^2 + \frac{4}{3}(Z^5)^2 &= 16M^2 \\ \left[ (Z^1)^2 + (Z^2)^2 + (Z^3)^2 \right] (Z^5)^4 &= 576M^6 \\ \sqrt{3}Z^4Z^5 + (Z^5)^2 &= 24M^2\end{aligned}$$

**Lorentzian section:**  $Z$ 's real

**Euclidean section:**  $Z^{1\dots 6}$  real,  $Z^7$  imaginary

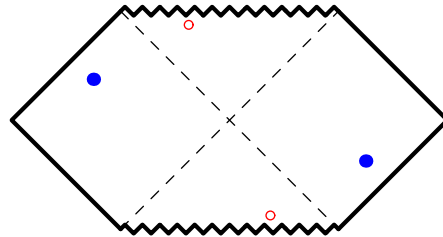
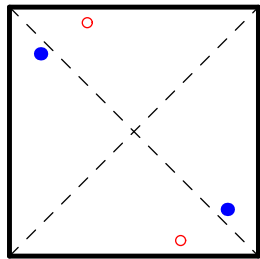
Symmetries:

- $R_Z: Z^6 \rightarrow -Z^6$  rest fixed
- $R_T: Z^7 \rightarrow -Z^7$
- $P: (Z^1, Z^2, Z^3) \rightarrow (-Z^1, -Z^2, -Z^3)$

So what we will say works for Euclidean and Lorentzian black hole.

# Black Hole Vacua

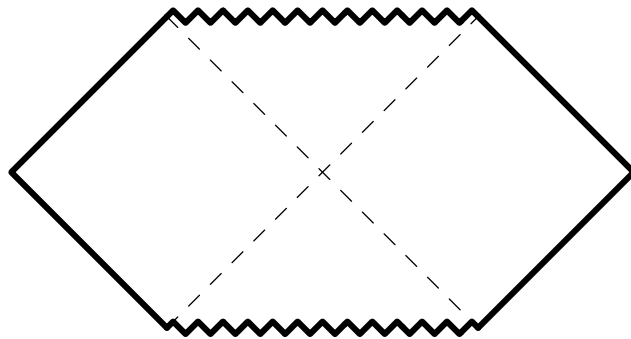
- $J = R_T R_Z P \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$  “antipodal” map
  - Commutes with all symmetries
- Cf. de Sitter space:



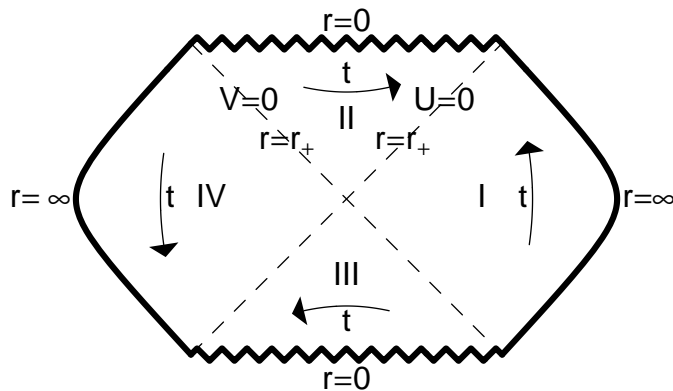
- $\exists \mathbb{Z}_2$  antipodal map  $X \rightarrow -X$  on covering space
- Commutes with all symmetries
- Can partially correlate point and antipodal point
  - \*  $\Rightarrow$  Mottola-Allen transformation
  - \* Defines one complex-parameter family of vacua:
    - $\alpha$ -Vacua

## Alternative Motivation

- String Theory is supposed to solve quantum gravity problems
  - e.g. Black hole singularity?



- Fidkowski, Hubeny, Kleban and Shenker suggested using AdS/CFT



- Consider geodesics that bounce off singularity
- AdS/CFT relates this to correlators
- Two boundaries  $\Leftrightarrow$  **Thermal** F.T.
  - \* Time goes in opposite directions on two boundaries
  - \* Tr over one boundary  $\Rightarrow$  thermal state on other



## Generalities

Consider

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

Where  $f(r)$

- monotonically increasing function
- singular at  $r = 0$
- zero at  $r = r_+ > 0$  [horizon]

Examples:

- Schwarzschild:  $f(r) = 1 - \frac{\omega_d M}{r^{d-2}}$
- AdS-Schwarzschild:  $f(r) = \frac{r^2}{\ell^2} + 1 - \frac{\omega_d M}{r^{d-2}}$

Fidkowski,  
Hubeny,  
Kleban,  
Shenker

Technicalities:

Define tortoise coordinate:

$$r^* = \int_0^r \frac{dr'}{f(r')} + \frac{\pi i}{f'(r_+)}$$

Double null coordinates:

$$u = t - r^*$$

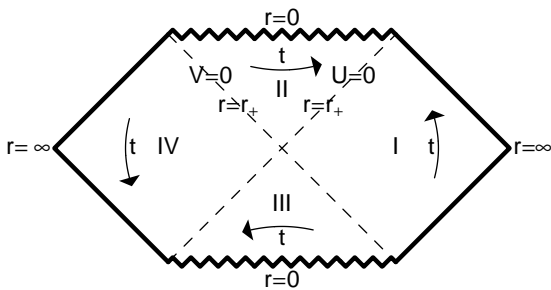
$$v = t + r^*$$

Kruskal coordinates:

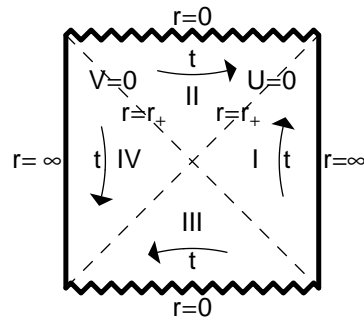
$$U = e^{-\frac{f'(r_+)}{2}u}$$

$$V = e^{\frac{f'(r_+)}{2}v}$$

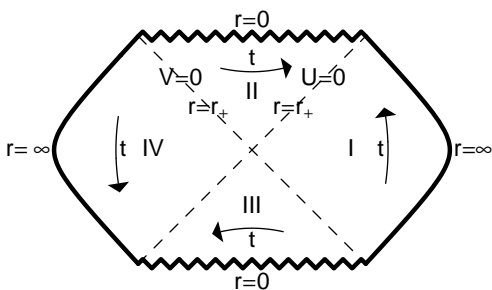
Kruskal coordinates  $\Leftrightarrow$  Penrose diagram:



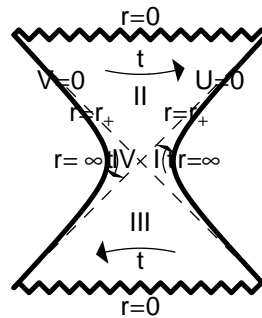
Schwarzschild



BTZ black hole



AdS-Schwarzschild



- Which Penrose  $\Leftarrow$  asymptotics of  $r^*$

## Symmetries:

- $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$  is timelike (in asymptotic regions) Killing vector

- $S^{d-1}$  symmetries

$$\frac{1}{2}(U+V)$$

- $T \rightarrow -T$  (vertical reflection of Penrose)

- inverts time ( $t$ ), preserves  $S^{d-1}$

- fixed points at  $T = 0$

$$\frac{1}{2}(-U+V)$$

- $Z \rightarrow -Z$  (horizontal reflection of Penrose)

- inverts time, preserves  $S^{d-1}$

- fixed points at  $Z = 0$

- antipodal map of  $S^{d-1}$  (not on the Penrose diagram)

- does not affect time; symmetry of  $S^{d-1}$

- no fixed points

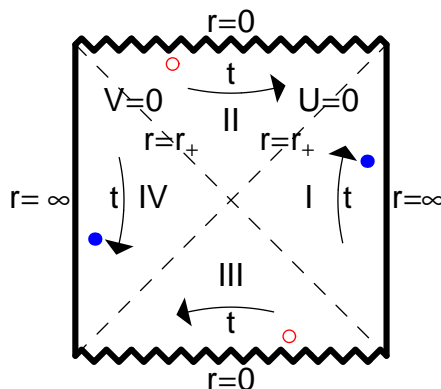
## Antipodal Map

Consider combination

$$T \rightarrow -T, Z \rightarrow -Z, \text{ antipodal map on } S^{d-1}$$

- acts freely
- preserves direction of time
- preserves (obvious) symmetries of the space-time
  - commutes with  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$
  - commutes with  $S^{d-1}$  symmetries

Call this the **antipodal map**



Consider a scalar field on this spacetime.

Can choose modes  $\phi_n$  so that

$$\overset{\text{antipodal point}}{\downarrow} \phi_n(x_A) \rightarrow \phi_n(x)^*$$

antipodal map:

positive frequencies  $\leftrightarrow$  negative frequencies  
(Antipodal map includes time reversal)

Can Bogoliubov standard vacuum:

$$b_n = \cosh \overset{\text{real}}{\downarrow} \alpha a_n - e^{-i\overset{\text{real}}{\downarrow} \gamma} \sinh \alpha a_n^\dagger$$
$$b_n^\dagger = \cosh \alpha a_n^\dagger - e^{i\gamma} \sinh \alpha a_n$$

- One **complex** parameter family of vacua
- Preserve all (obvious) symmetries

No reason to choose one over another ...

## $\alpha$ Vacua

These are *exactly* like dS  $\alpha$ -vacua

- including construction

But dS  $\alpha$ -vacua are frowned upon:

Einhorn,  
Larson  
Goldstein,  
Lowe  
Kaloper,  
Kleban,  
Lawrence,  
Shenker,  
Susskind

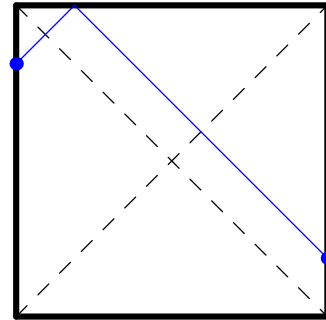
- Causality problems
- Unphysical Poles
- Pinch Singularities
- Not Thermal

We need not have these problems!

# Causality

$\alpha$ -vacua

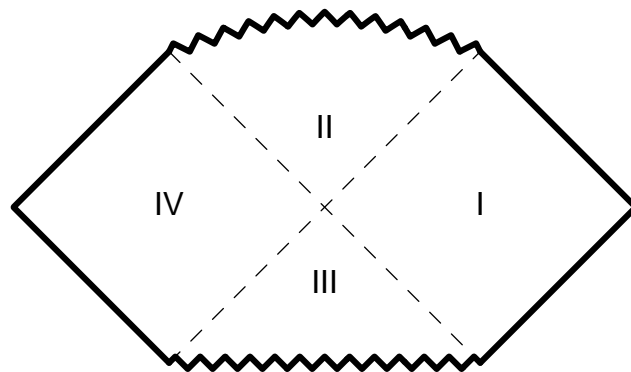
- correlate two *spacelike* points
  - nonintersecting lightcones
- ⇒ No causality problems?



NO!

Leblond,  
Marolf,  
Myers

- dS gets taller (gravitational backreaction)
- lightcones intersect!



But for **black holes**,

- gravitational backreaction increases horizon size
- lightcones only intersect inside horizon

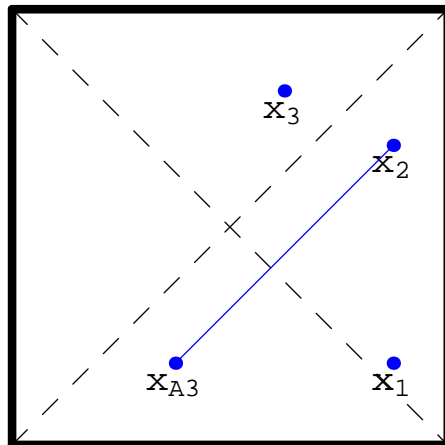
## Unphysical Poles

Consider

$$\langle \phi(x_1)\phi(x_2)\phi(x_3) \rangle \sim \int dy G^F(x_1, y) G^F(x_2, y) G^F(x_3, y)$$

For  $\alpha$  vacua, poles when  $y$  is on lightcone of point *or antipodal point*

- Divergences if, say, also  $x_2$  on lightcone of  $x_{3A}$ 
  - coincident poles
- Surprising if  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  causally connected



But for **black holes** this requires one of  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  to be inside horizon.



## Pinch Singularities

$$\begin{aligned} \text{---} \overset{x}{\circlearrowleft} \text{---} \overset{y}{\circlearrowright} \text{---} &\sim \int dx \int dy G_{\alpha\gamma}^F(x, y) G_{\alpha\gamma}^F(y, x), \\ &\sim \dots + \int dx \int dy \sinh^2 2\alpha G_0^F(x, y) G_0^F(y, x)^* + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Has both  $i\epsilon$  prescriptions

$\Rightarrow$  can't evade singularity!

Change time-ordering prescription?

No! Calculate **string** loops (*unlike* dS!)

$\Rightarrow$  No pinch singularities

## Thermality

In an  $\alpha$ -vacuum

$$\frac{P_{\alpha\gamma}(E_i \rightarrow E_j)}{P_{\alpha\gamma}(E_j \rightarrow E_i)} = \left| \frac{\cosh \alpha + \sinh \alpha e^{i\gamma} e^{\frac{\beta}{2}\Delta E}}{\cosh \alpha + \sinh \alpha e^{i\gamma} e^{-\frac{\beta}{2}\Delta E}} \right|^2 e^{-\beta\Delta E}.$$

- Only thermal (temperature  $\beta$ ) if  $\alpha = 0$
- Contradicts detailed balance?

$$- \text{i.e. } \rho(E_i)P(E_i \rightarrow E_j) \neq \rho(E_j)P(E_j \rightarrow E_i)$$

NO! Just means *nonequilibrium, steady state*.

## Holography?

- For AdS-Schwarzschild, have AdS/CFT.
- Two boundaries  $\Rightarrow$  two CFTs
- Ordinary vacuum  $\Leftrightarrow$  Pure state of (doubled) CFT
  - Trace over CFT<sub>1</sub>  $\Rightarrow$  thermal state of CFT

For  $\alpha$ -vacuum, Bogoliubov CFT:

$$\begin{aligned}b_1^\dagger &= \cosh \alpha a_1^\dagger - e^{i\gamma} \sinh \alpha a_2, \\b_2^\dagger &= \cosh \alpha a_2^\dagger - e^{i\gamma} \sinh \alpha a_1\end{aligned}$$

Note “1” and “2” no longer bdy<sub>1</sub> and bdy<sub>2</sub>.

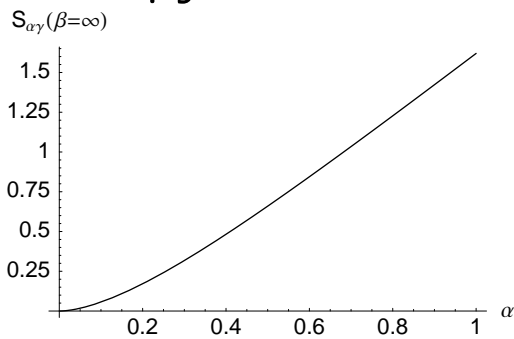
Tr<sub>2</sub>  $\Rightarrow$  *nonthermal density matrix*

Agrees with nonthermal formula on AdS side!

Sim. propagators  $\leftrightarrow$  correlation functions

## Conclusions

- Black holes have  $\alpha$ -Vacua
  - Very general
  - For AdS-Schwarzschild, can use CFT as well
  - Entropy at low temperature:



- Entropy at high temperature:

