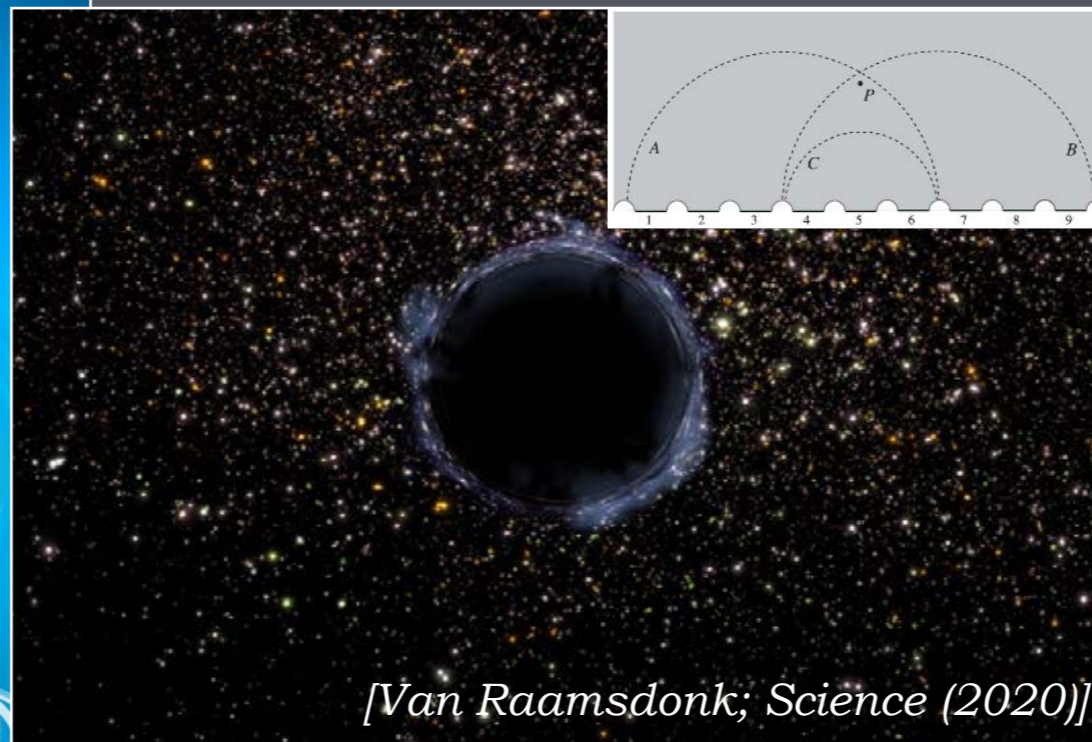
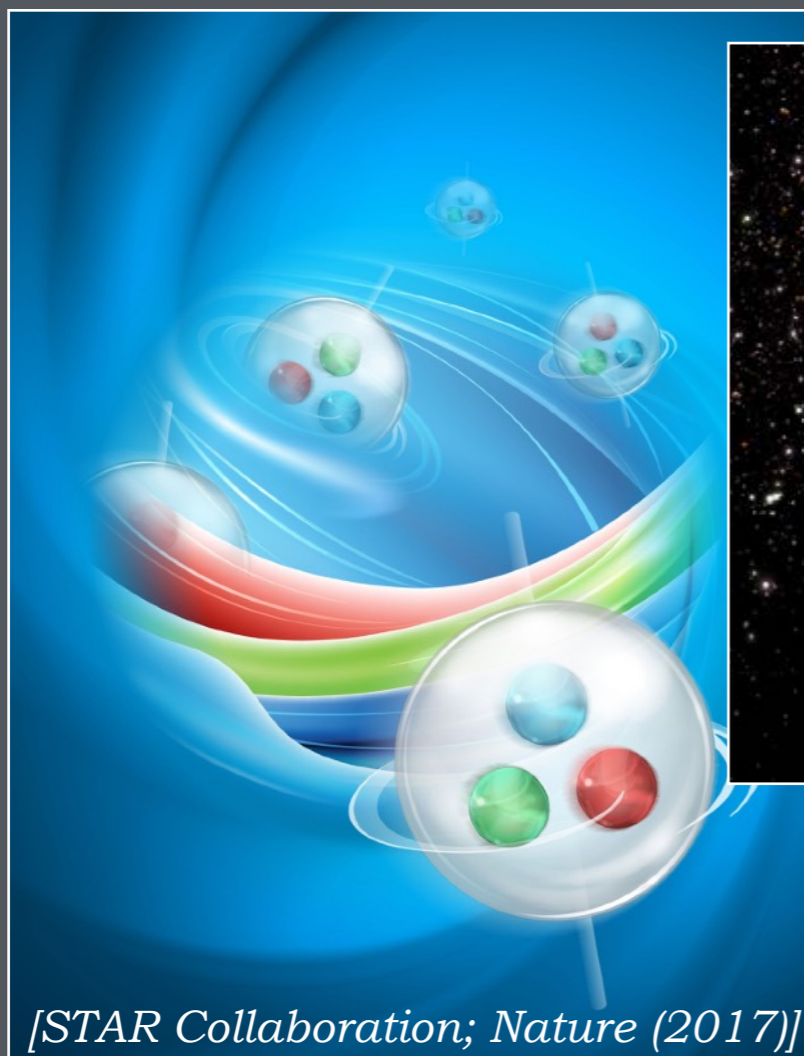


Entanglement, thermalization (and transport) in quark-gluon plasma, in ultra-cold gases, & black holes

Quantum Few- and Many-Body Systems in Universal Regimes, INT, Seattle

October 23rd, 2024



Circular rainbow viewed from plane above Seattle



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Gauge/Gravity Correspondence

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**Universality at large N (number of colors):
Shear viscosity to entropy density bound**

[Kovtun, Son, Starinets; PRL (2005)]

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

(Finite N corrects, finite coupling respects bound)

[Buchel, Myers, Sindha; JHEP (2008)]

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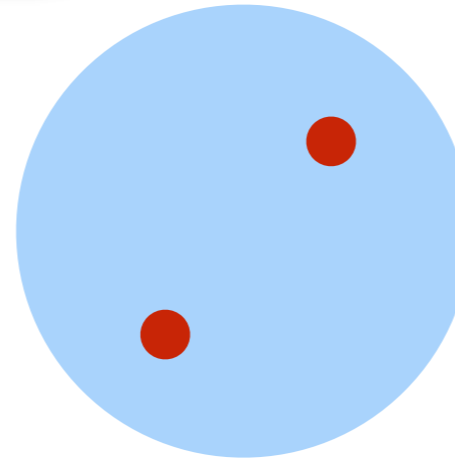
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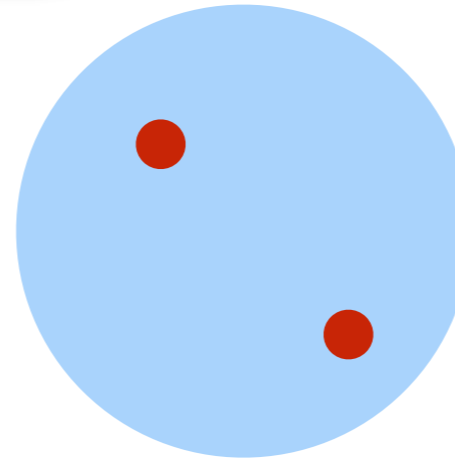
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Pure state density matrix

$\rho = 1 \cdot |\text{eigenstate}\rangle\langle\text{eigenstate}|$
with $\text{tr}(\rho^2) = 1$.

Vanishing entropy $S = -\text{tr}(\rho \log \rho) = 0$

Unitary time evolution $\rho \rightarrow U^{-1}\rho U$
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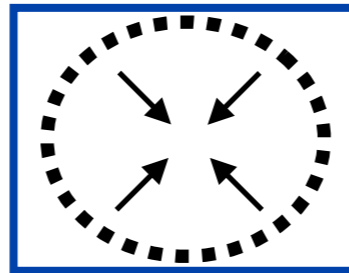
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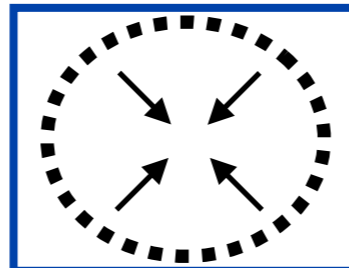
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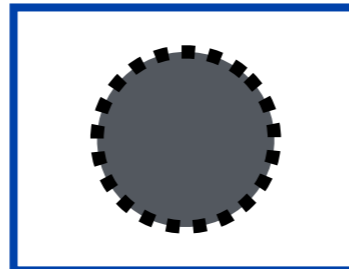
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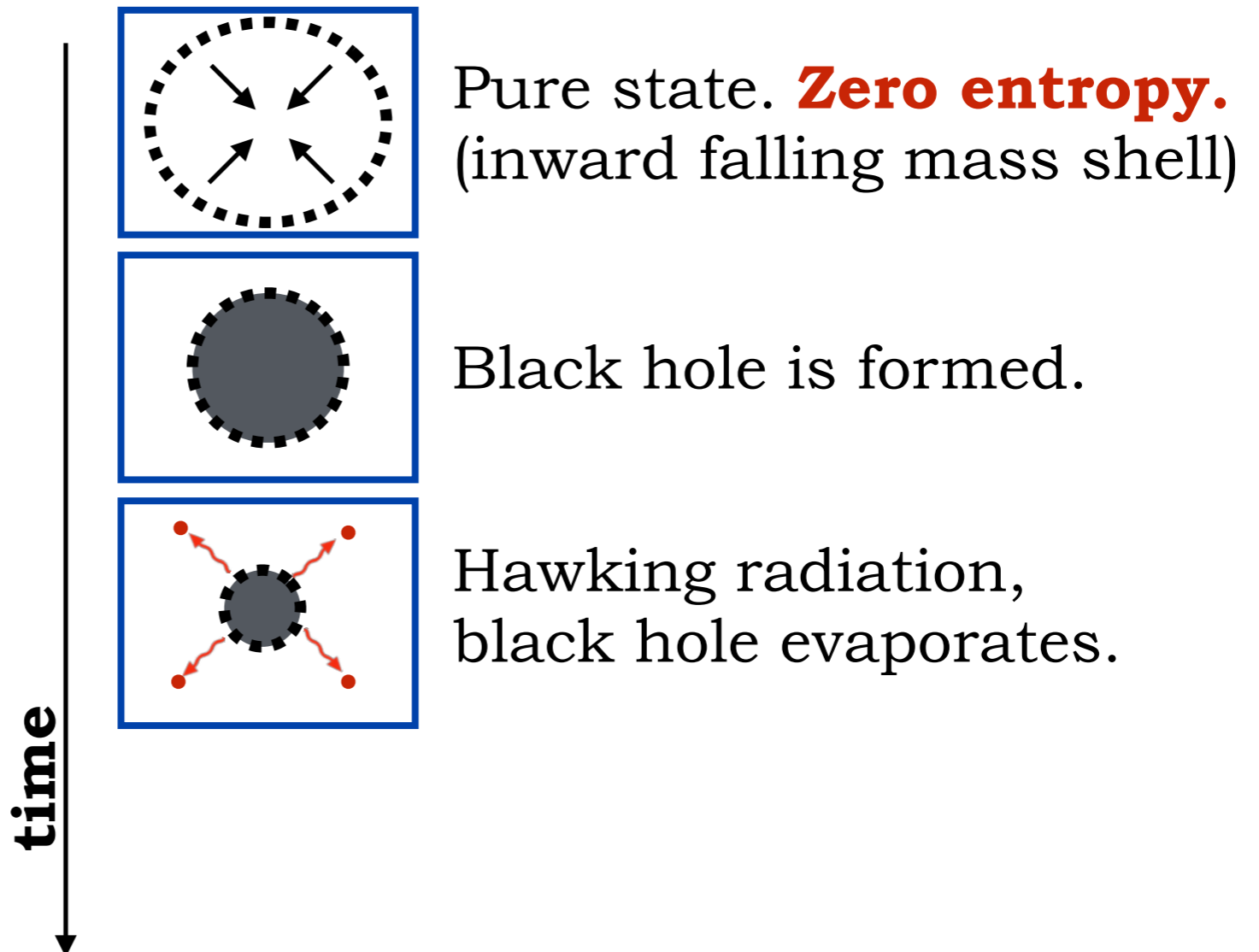
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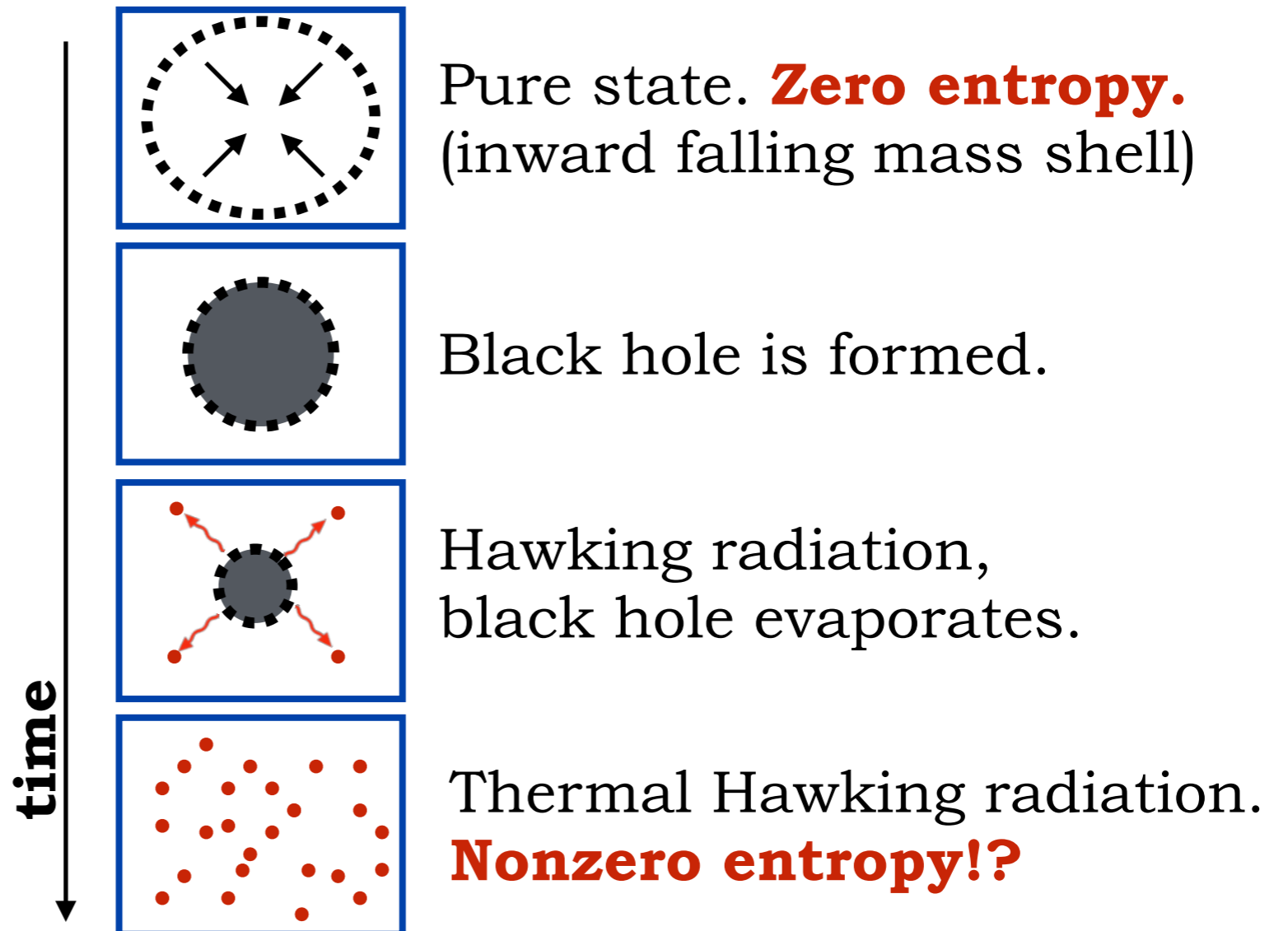
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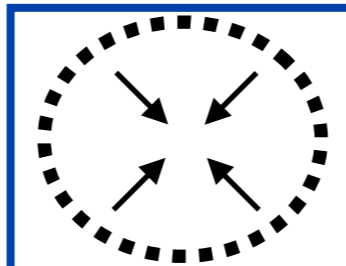
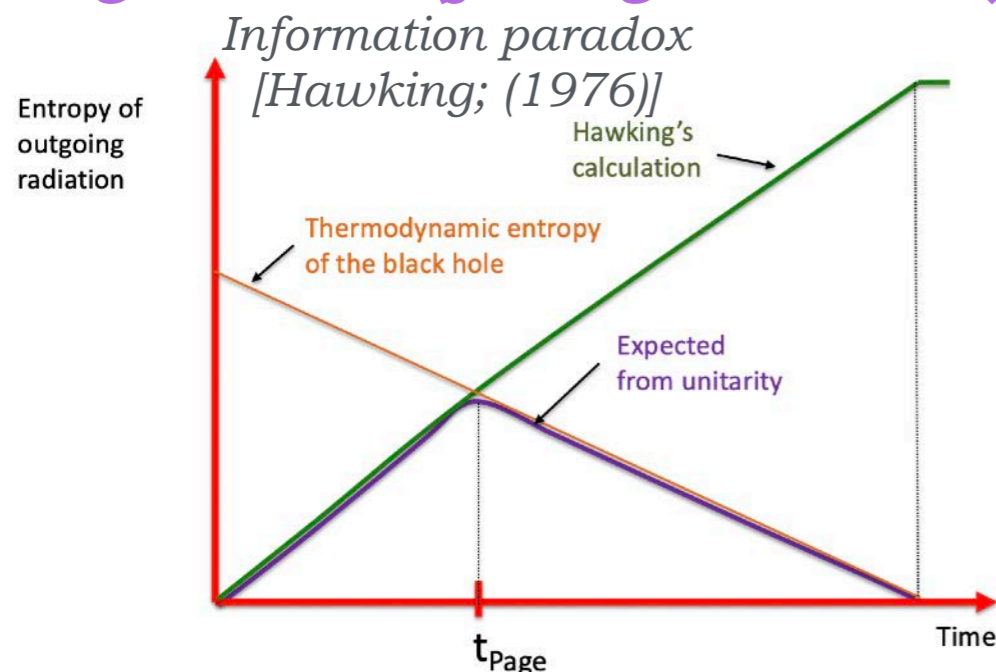
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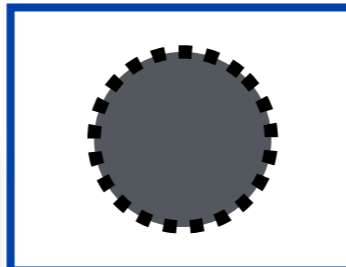
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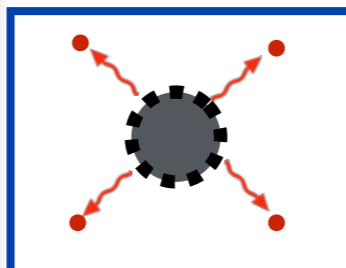
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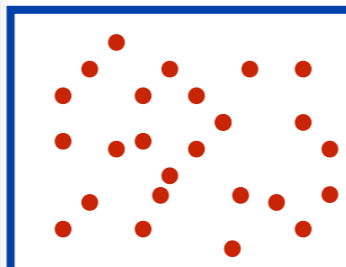
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Hawking radiation,
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~~Thermal Hawking radiation.~~
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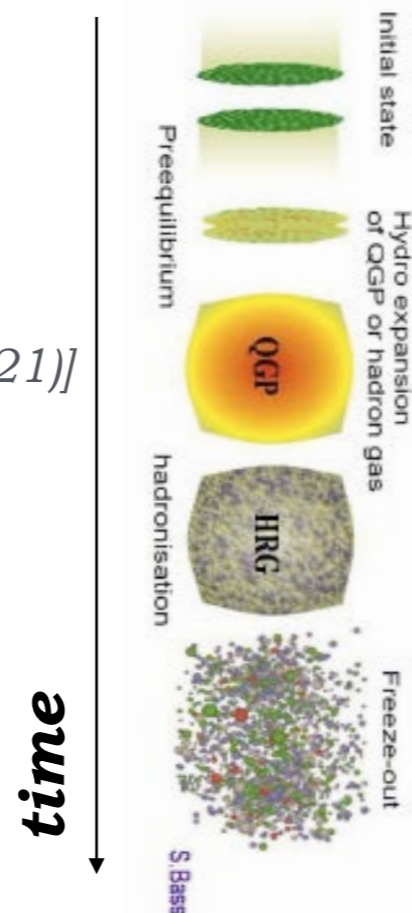
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Quantum information approach to HIC
[Kharzeev; *Phil. Trans. A. Math. Phys. Eng. Sci.* (2021)]

[Zhang et al.; *PRD* (2021)]

[Florio, Kharzeev; *PRD* (2021)]



Pure state. **Zero entropy.**
(two colliding ions)
[Müller, Schäfer; (2017)]

Particle distributions in detectors look thermal. **Nonzero entropy!?**

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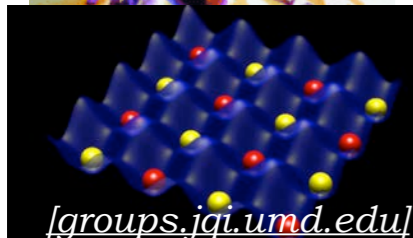
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[groups.jqi.umd.edu]

- Rb atoms in optical lattice
- six-site Bose-Hubbard system
- quench and microscopy

time

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Remains pure!

BUT subsystems thermalize!
(nonzero entropy)

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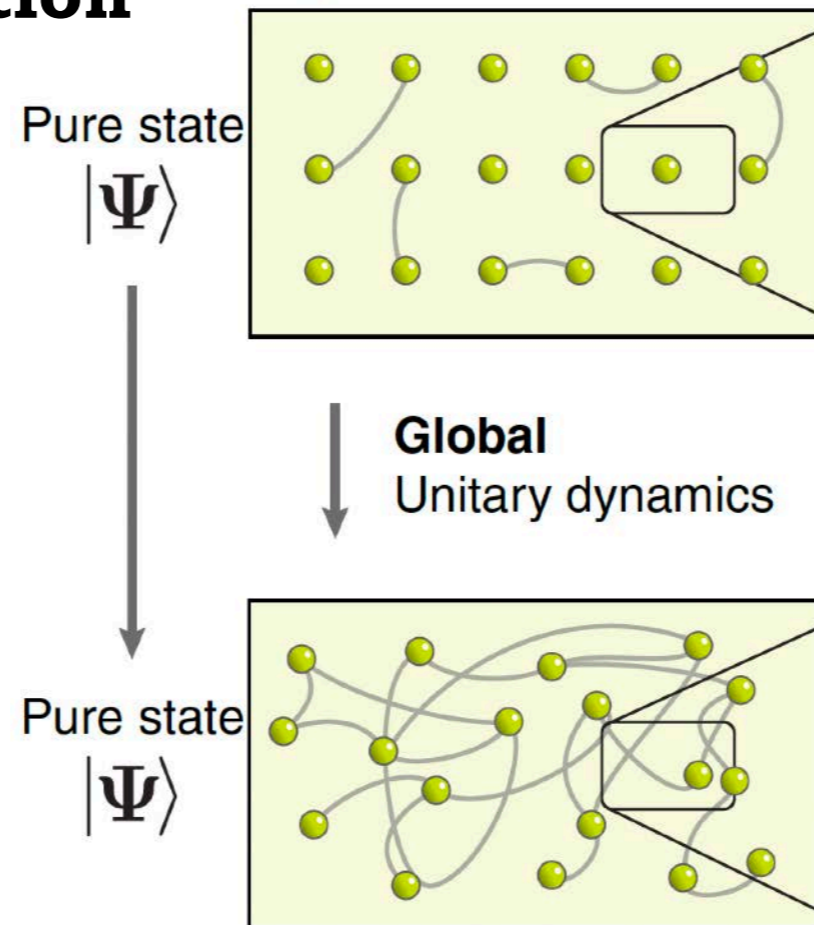
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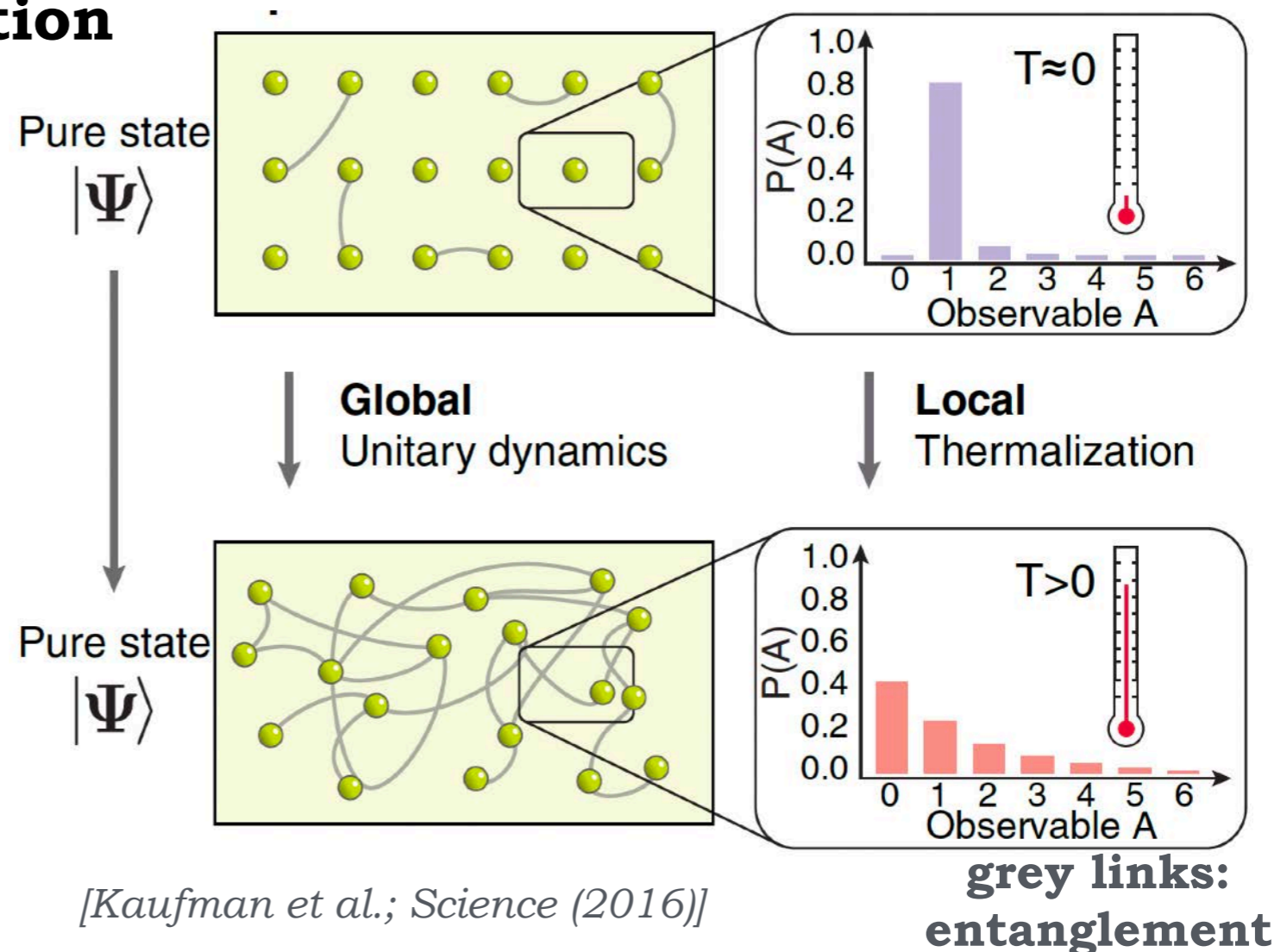
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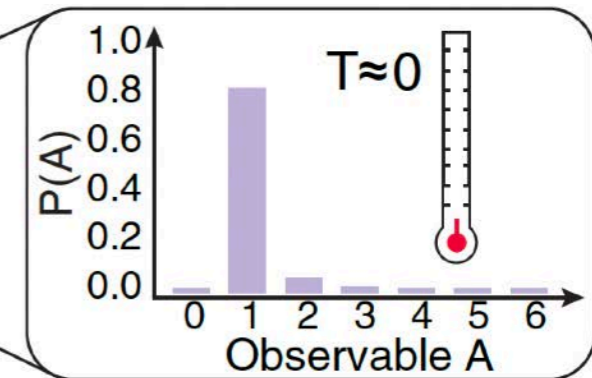
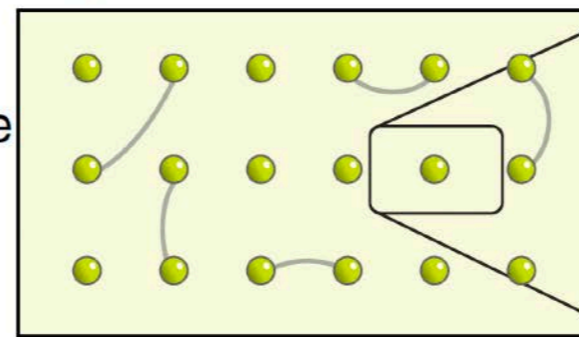
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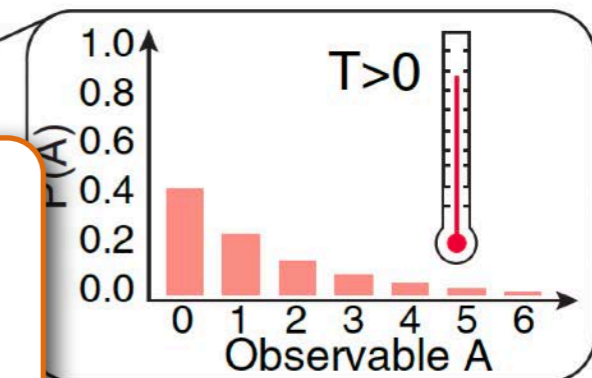
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Pure state $|\Psi\rangle$



Global Unitary dynamics

Local Thermalization



- ➔ **thermalization mechanism?**
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 - ➔ *talks by Qi Zhou and Artem Volosniev*

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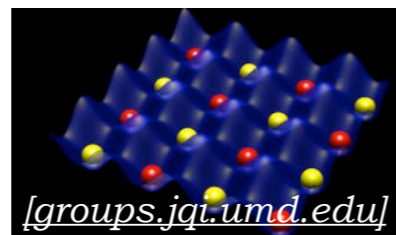
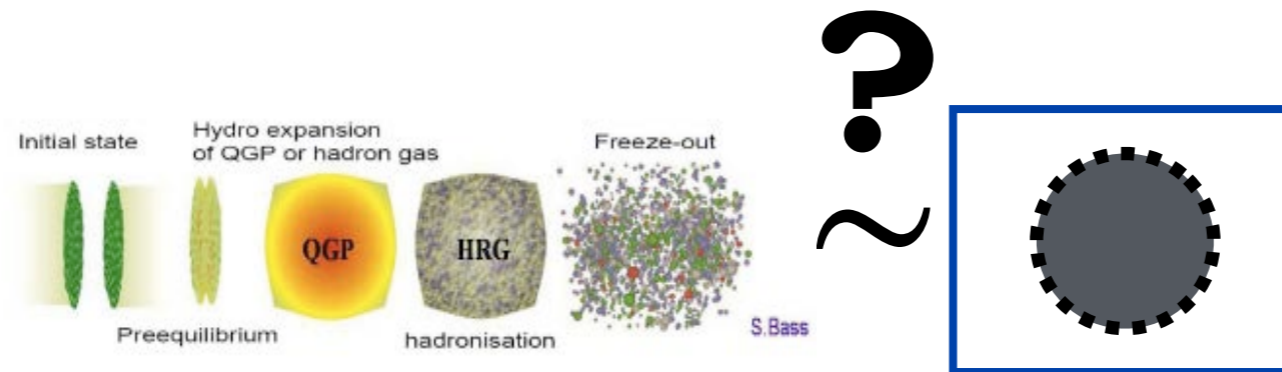
How do black holes and other isolated quantum systems thermalize?

➔ *talk by Aurel Bulgac (slower than ETH-thermalization)*

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Ion collision/Ultracold atoms ~ Black hole formation?



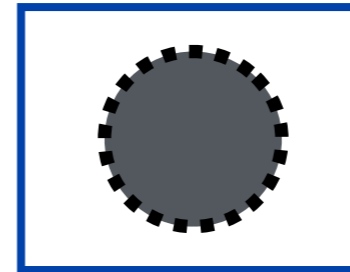
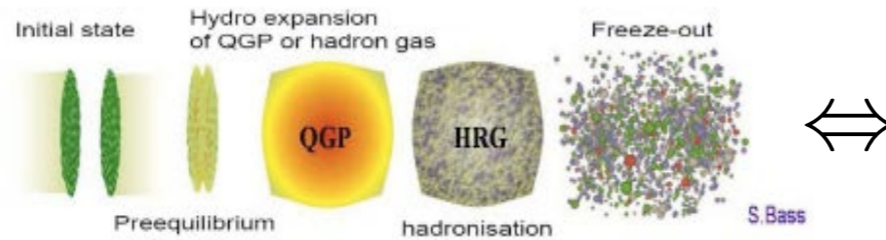
Exact correspondence: Holography (gauge/gravity)



$N=4$ Super-Yang-Mills
in **3+1 dimensions**
with $SU(N)$ and λ
(gauge)



Typ II B Superstring Theory
in **(4+1)-dimensional**
Anti de Sitter space
(gravity)

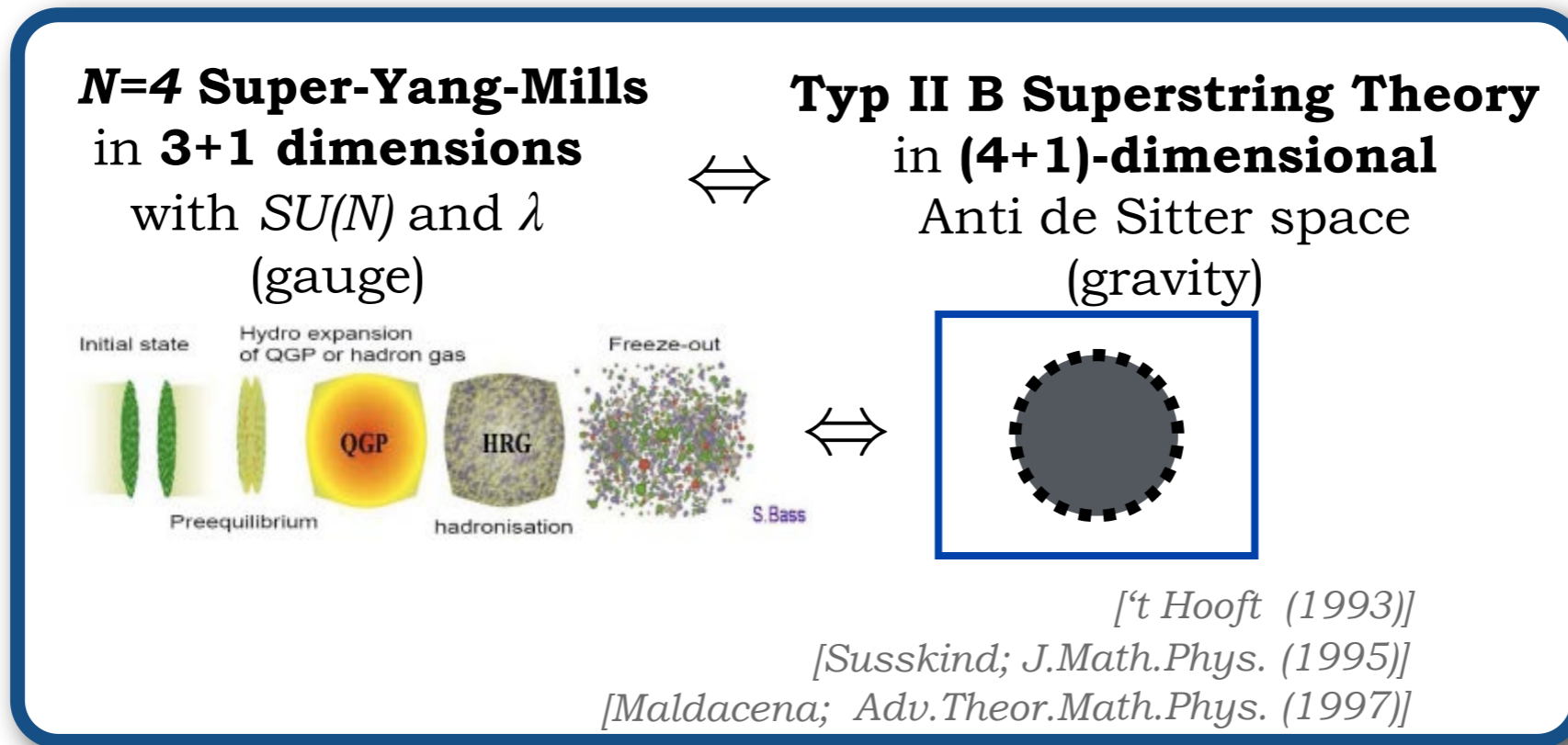


[‘t Hooft (1993)]

[Susskind; *J.Math.Phys.* (1995)]

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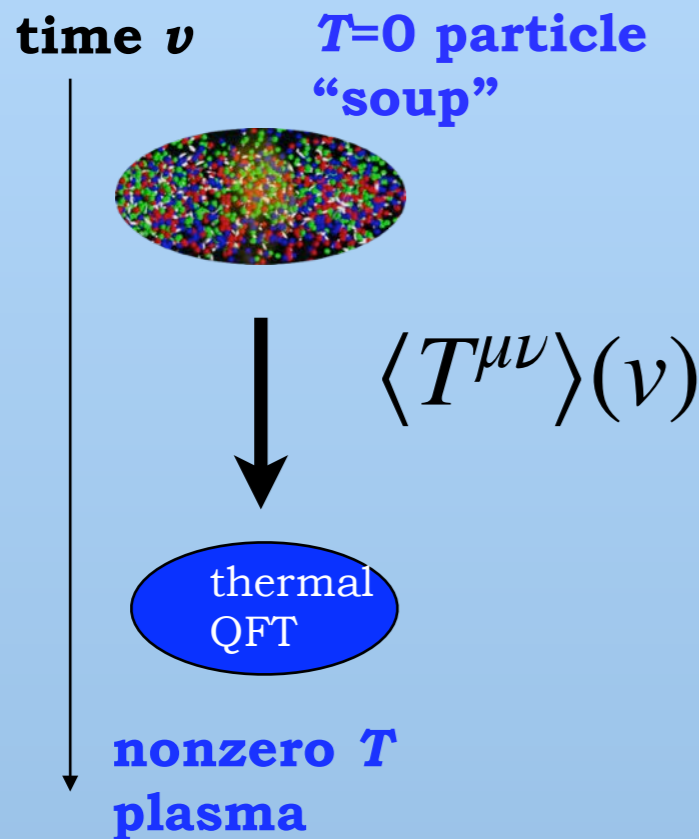
[Bekenstein]

[Hawking]

$$S \propto A_h$$

Far from equilibrium holography

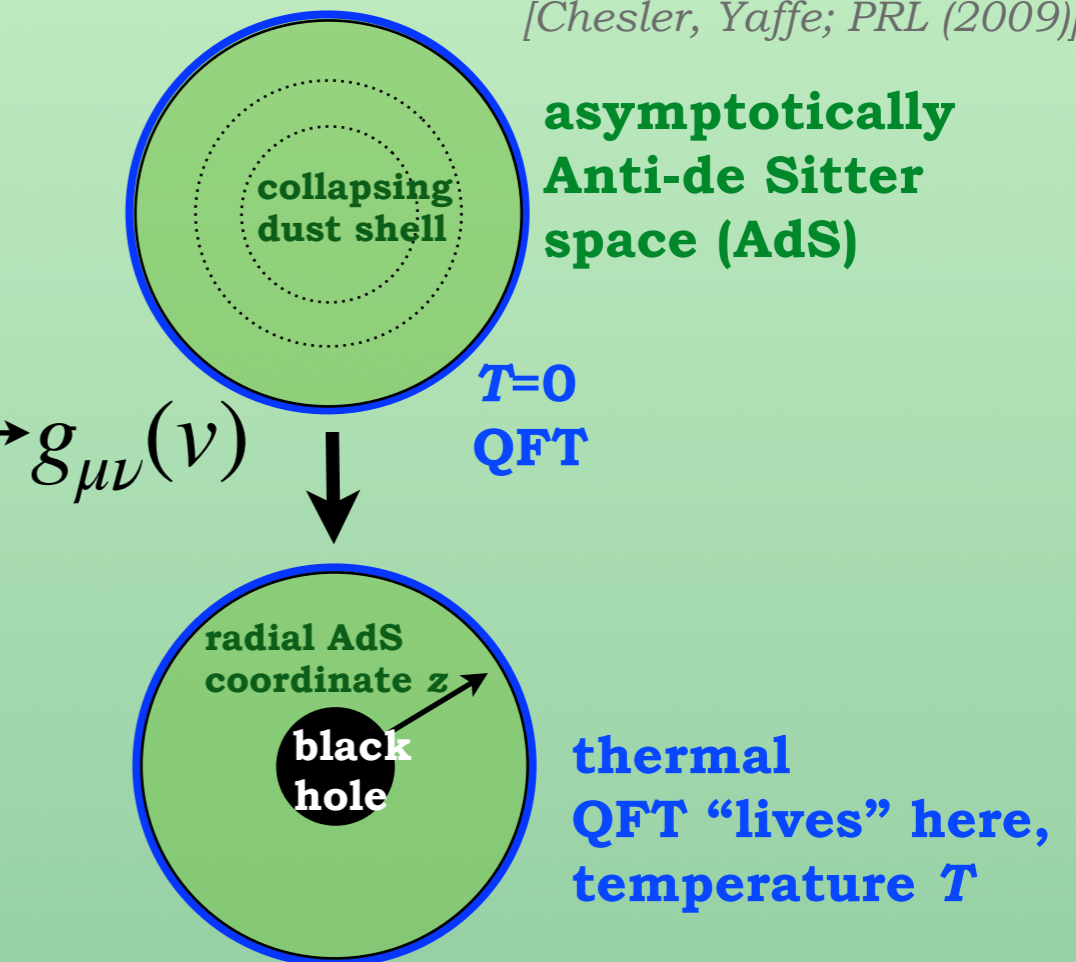
Thermalization in field theory



gauge/gravity correspondence

Horizon formation in gravity

[Janik, Peschanski; PRD (2006)]
[Chesler, Yaffe; PRL (2009)]



➔ exact/numerical thermalization results from holography

[Cartwright, Kaminski; JHEP (2019)]

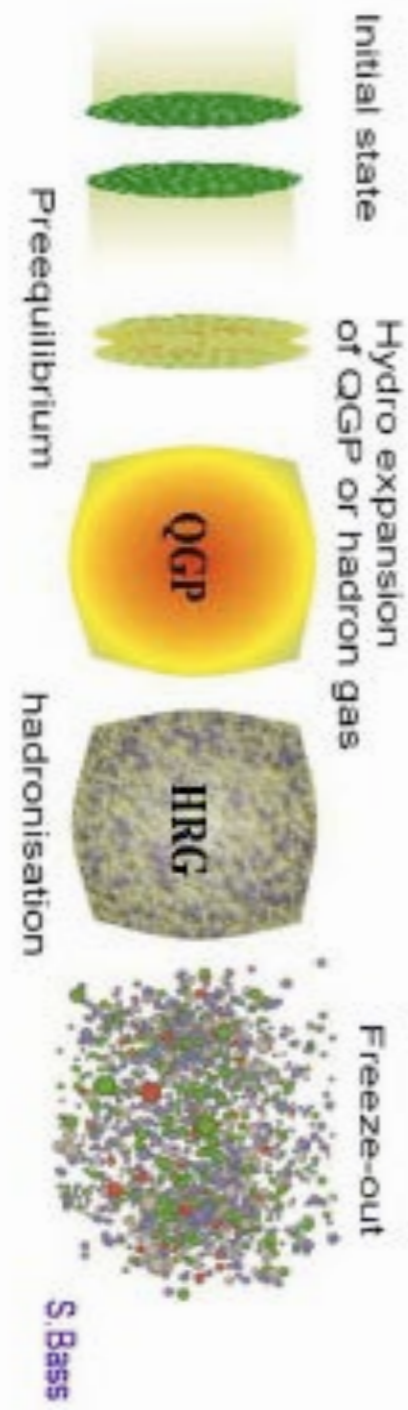
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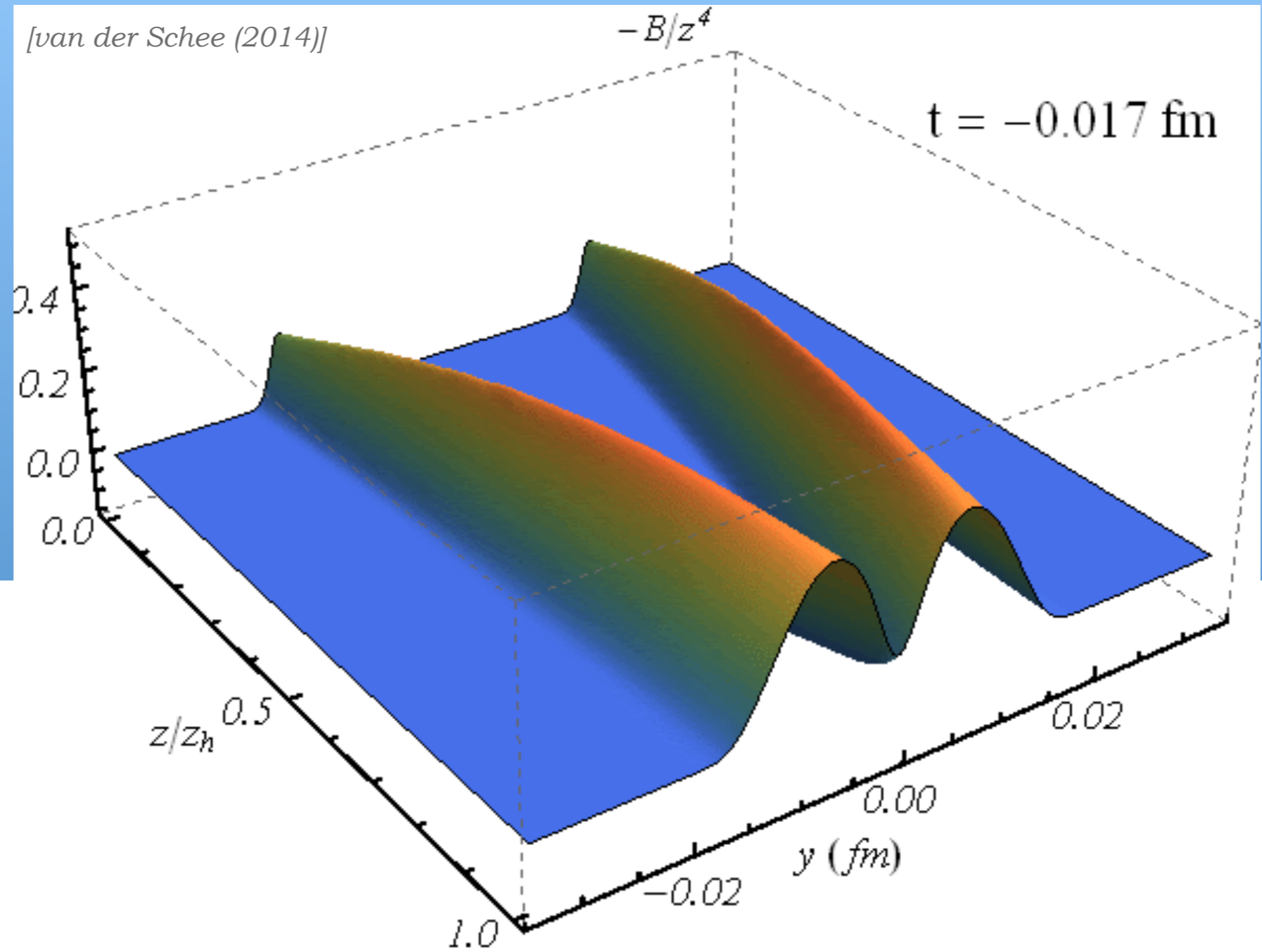
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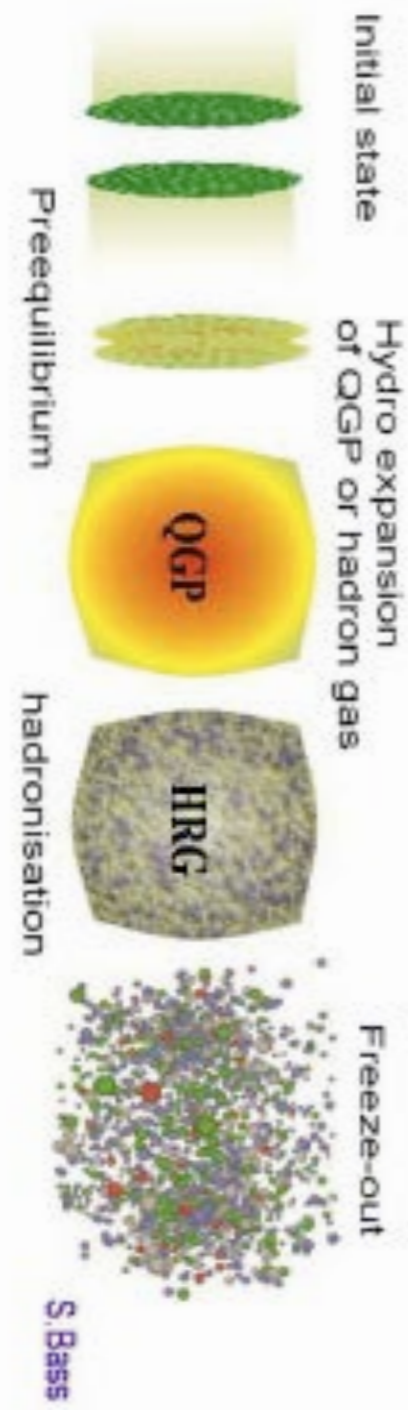
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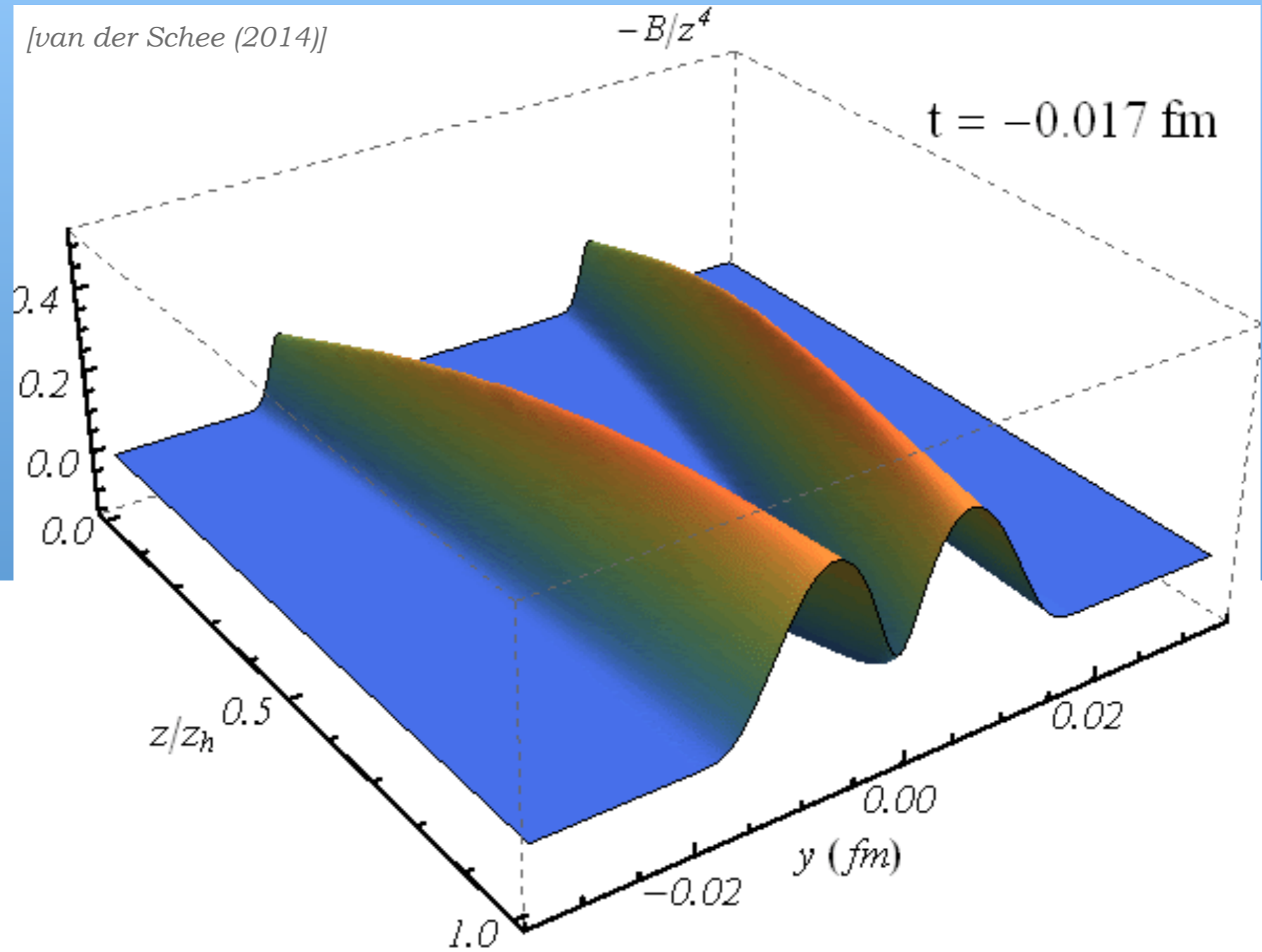
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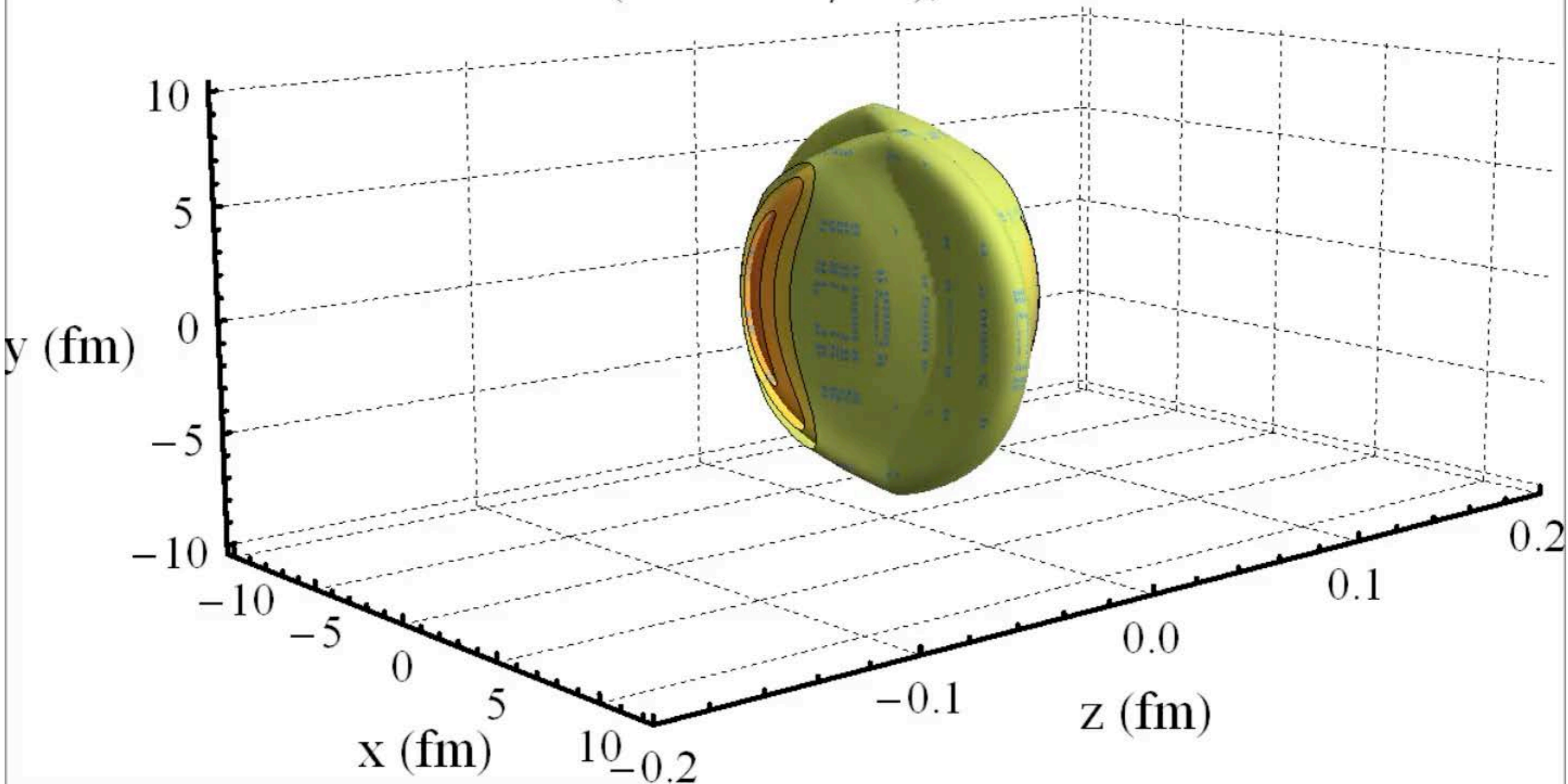


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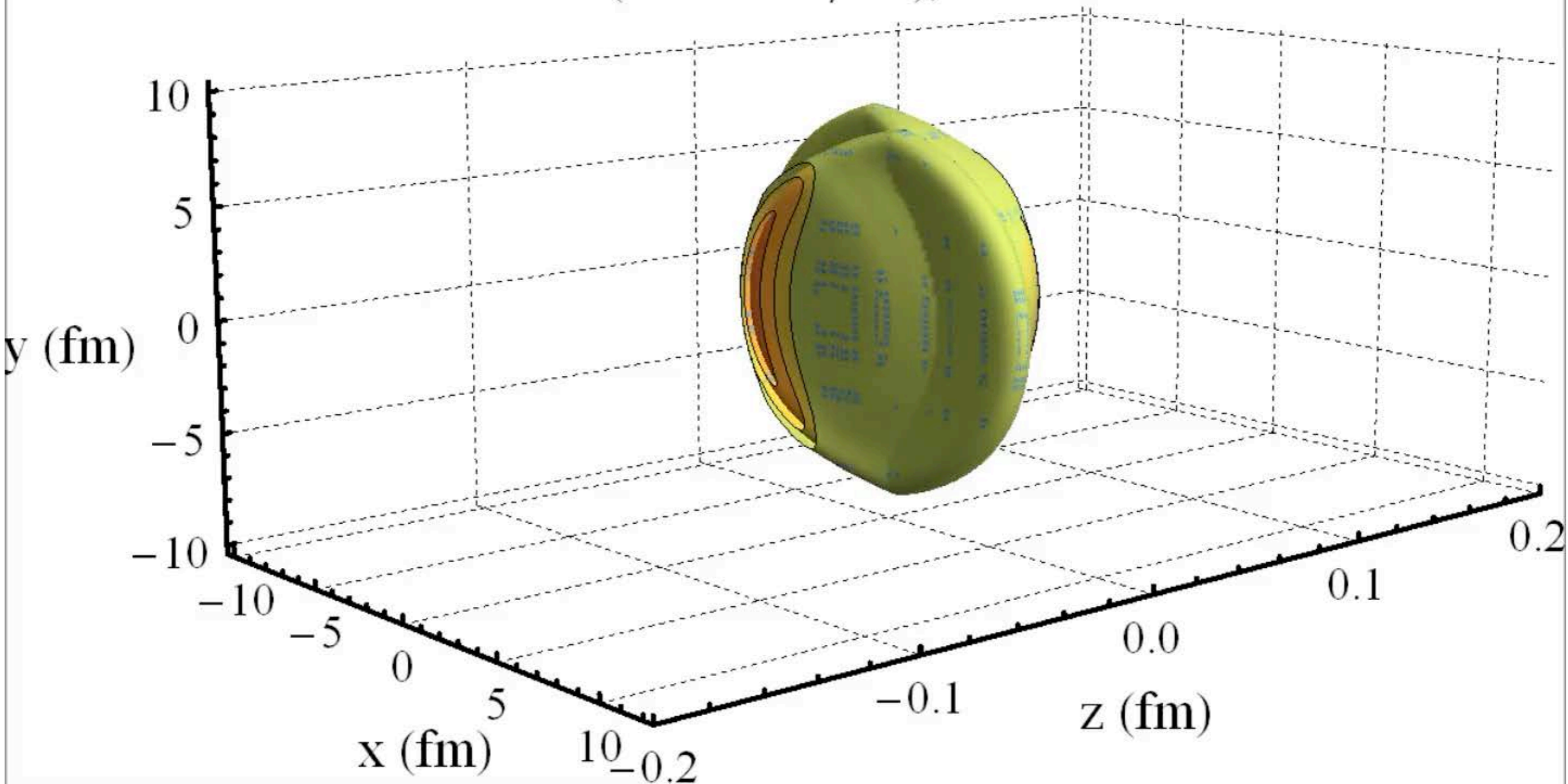
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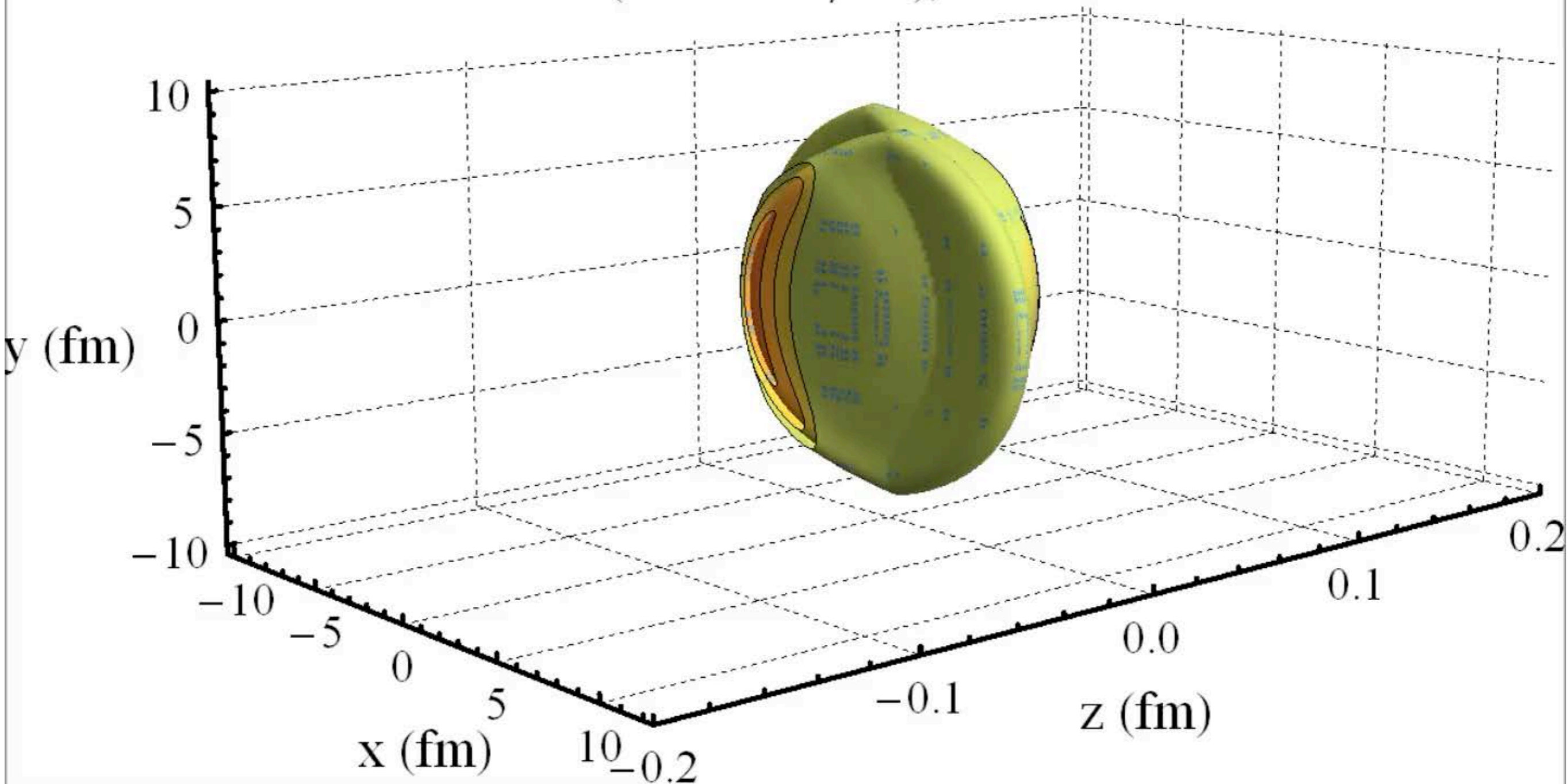
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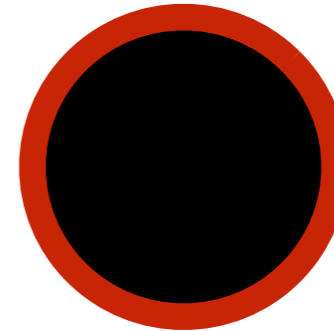
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Entanglement entropy in quantum field theory corresponds to a particular **minimal surface** in gravity theory

[Ryu, Takayanagi; JHEP (2006)]

black brane

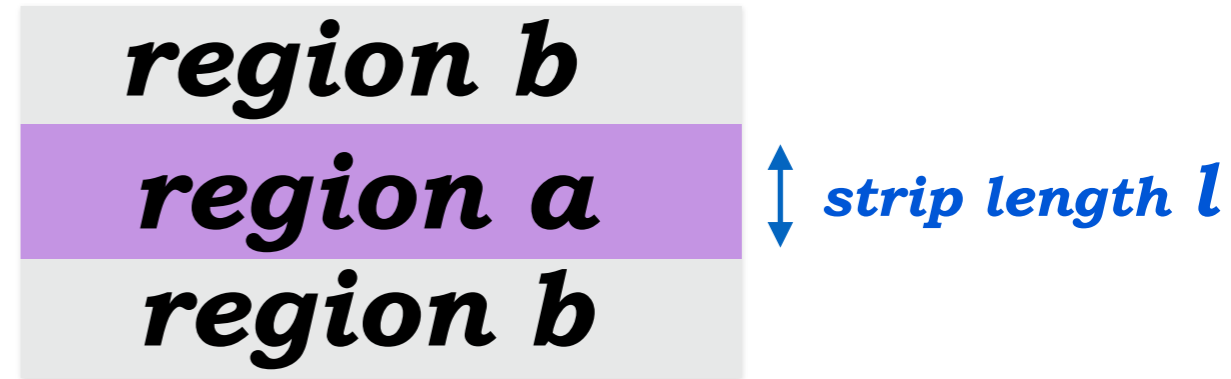


minimal surface

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Definition: entanglement entropy

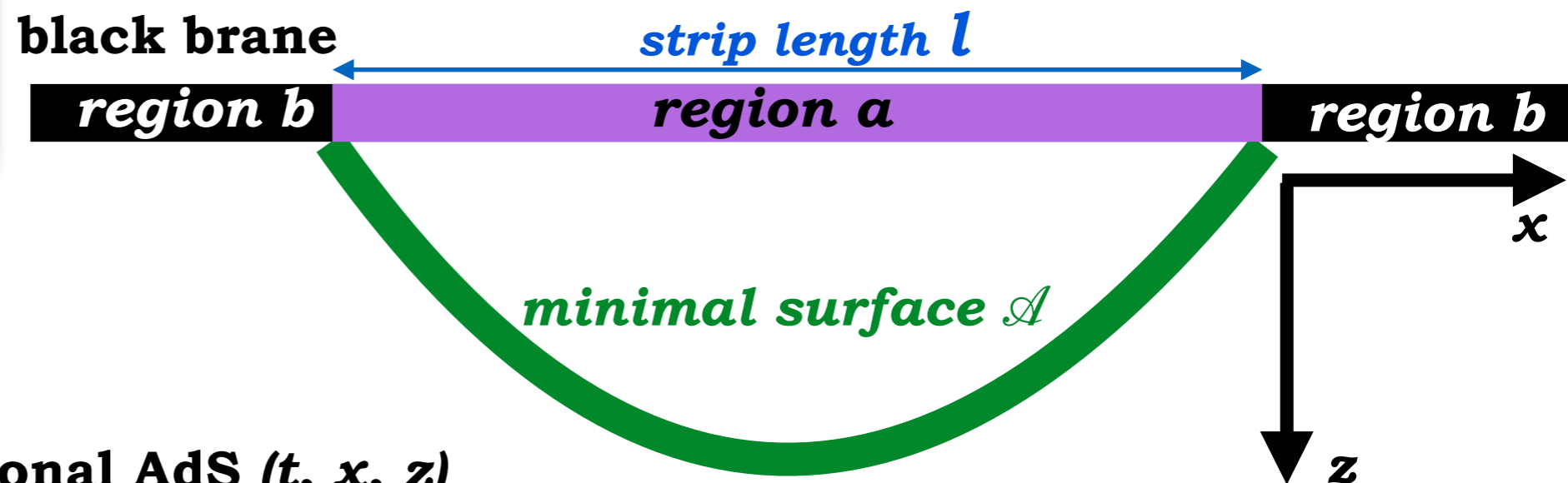
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Holographically dual definition

[Ryu, Takayanagi; JHEP (2006)]

$$S_a = \frac{1}{4G} \mathcal{A}$$



**Example: 3-dimensional AdS (t, x, z)
at a given time t ,
minimal surface is shortest path
which is also called a geodesic**

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[Ecker; thesis (2018)]

Example: 3-dimensional AdS in Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates
 $(t, \mathbf{x}, z) \rightarrow (v, \mathbf{x}, z)$

Calculate minimal surface = shortest path = geodesic

Metric: $ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2} (-dv^2 - 2dzdv + d\vec{x}^2)$ **Clever parametrization of surface:**
 $X^\alpha(\sigma) = (Z(\sigma), V(\sigma), X(\sigma))$

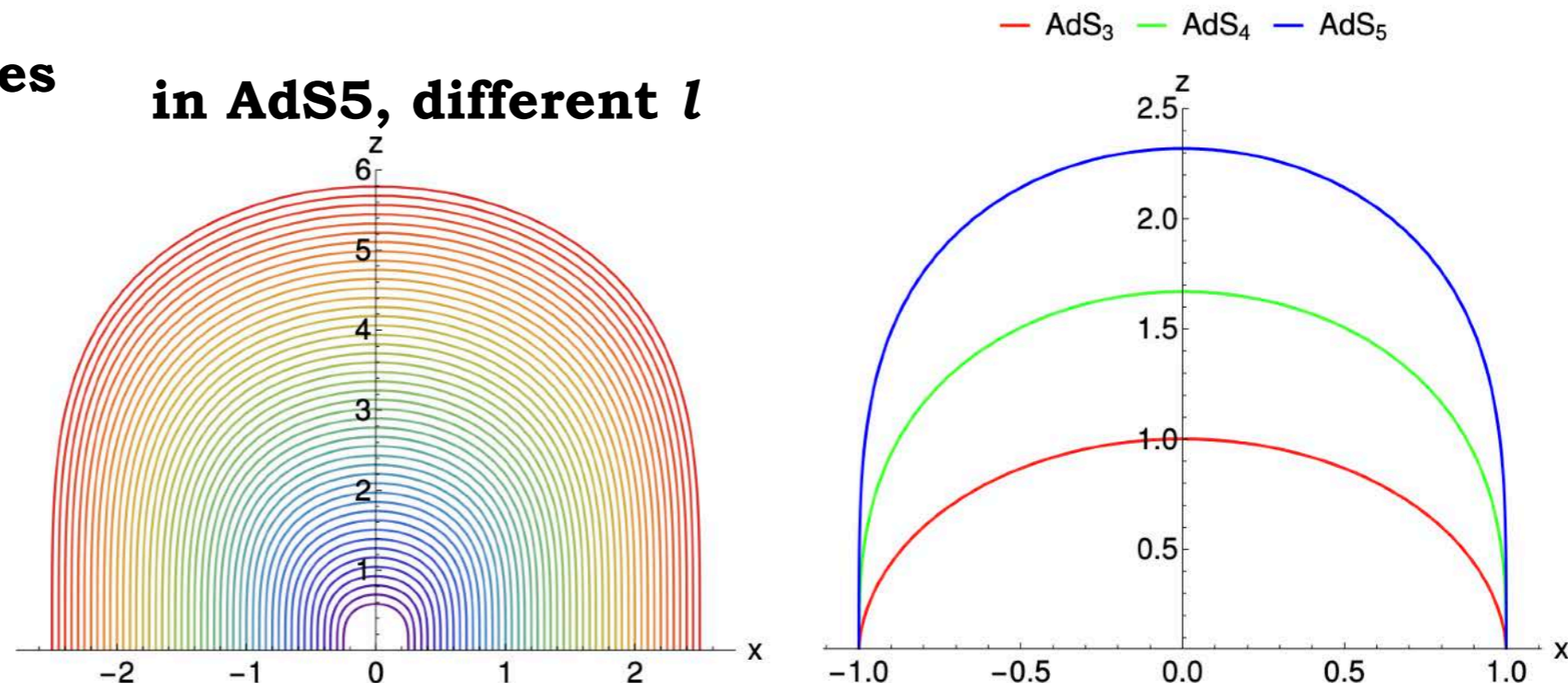
Geodesic equation:

$$\ddot{X}^\alpha(\sigma) + \Gamma_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha(X^\delta(\sigma))\dot{X}^\beta(\sigma)\dot{X}^\gamma(\sigma) = J(\sigma)\dot{X}^\alpha(\sigma)$$

Solution: minimal surfaces

in AdS5, different l

$$\begin{aligned} Z(\sigma) &= \frac{l}{2}(1 - \sigma^2), \\ V(\sigma) &= v_0 - Z(\sigma), \\ X(\sigma) &= \frac{l}{2}\sigma\sqrt{2 - \sigma^2} \end{aligned}$$

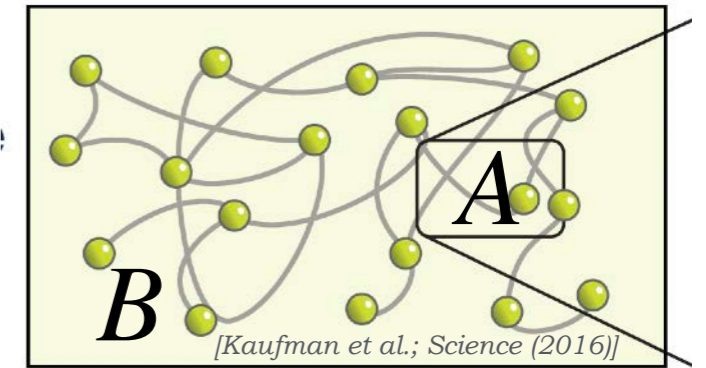
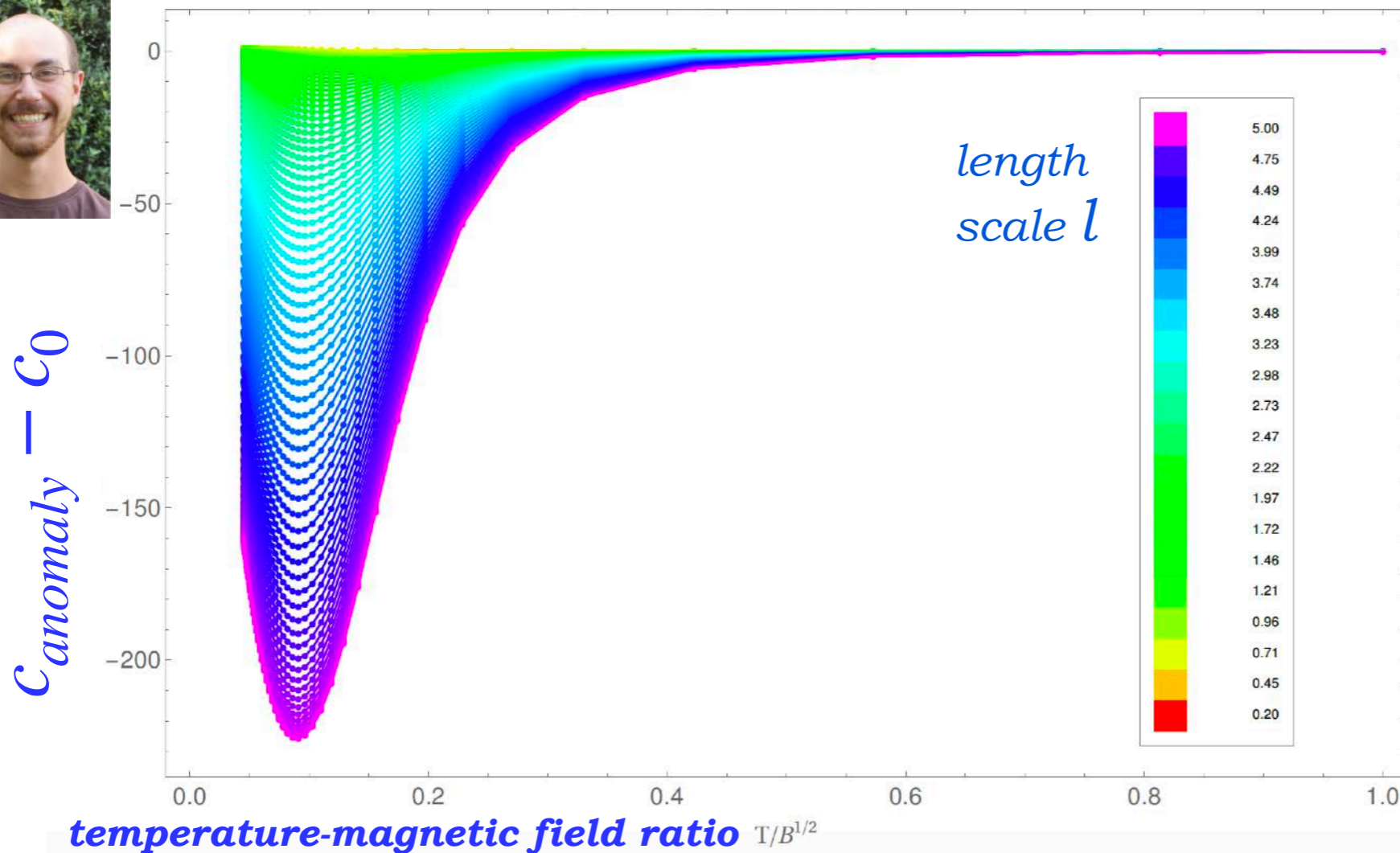


Effect of chiral anomaly and magnetic field on entanglement

Calculation: strongly coupled $N=4$ Super-Yang-Mills theory in strong B ;
compute minimal surfaces in AdS5

Entropic c -function (with anomaly minus without anomaly)

[Cartwright, Kaminski; JHEP (2021)]



Reduced density matrix:

$$\rho_A = \text{tr}_B \rho$$

Entanglement entropy:

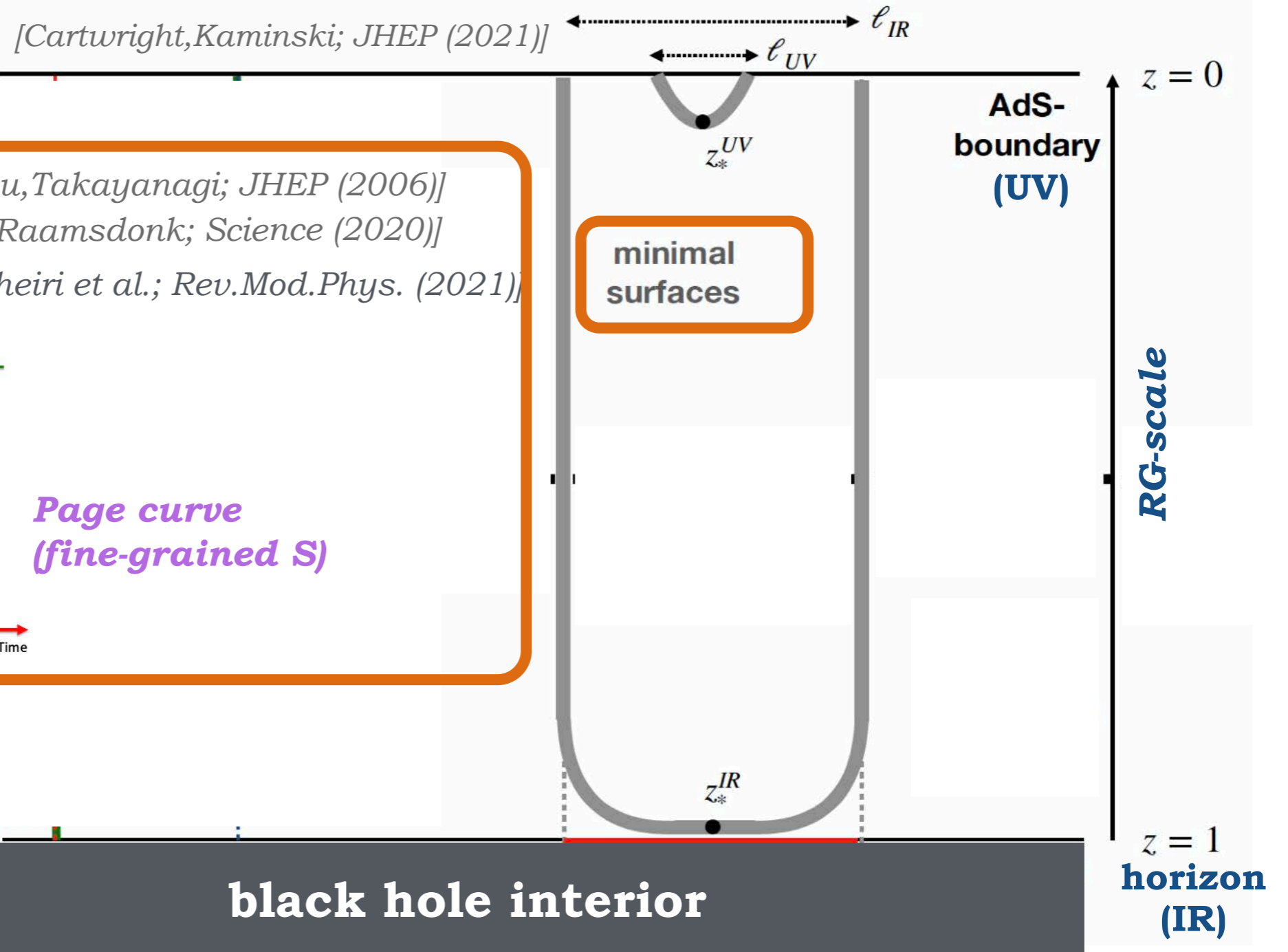
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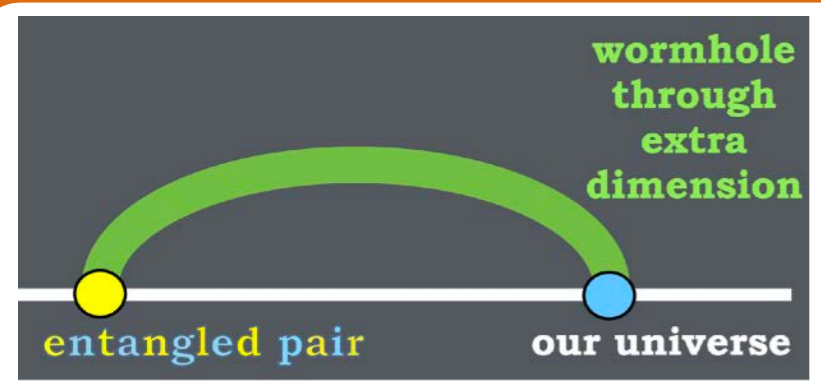
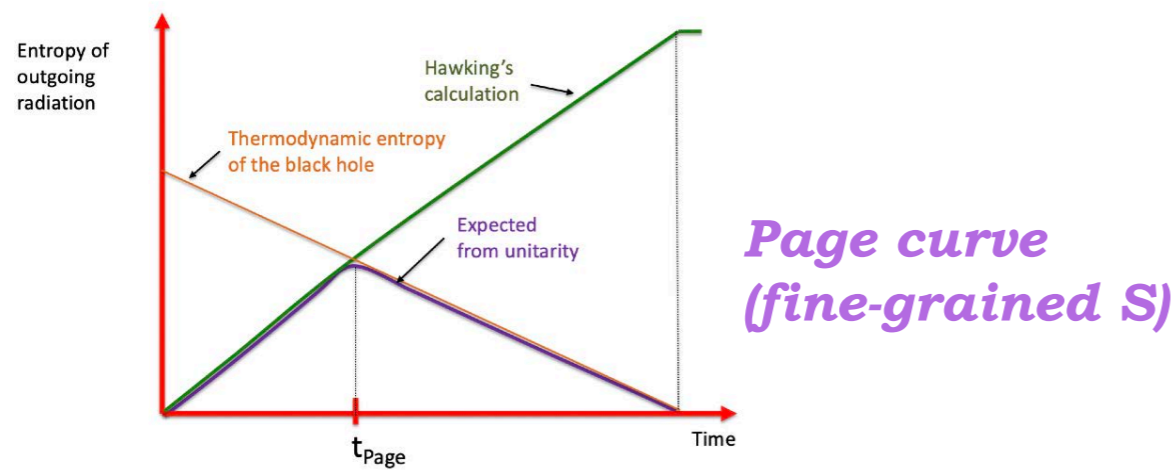
$$c \propto \frac{\partial S_A}{\partial l}$$

➔ anomaly effect peaked at $T/B^{1/2} = 0.1$

Geometric picture: three faces of *minimal surfaces*



- 1) **Entanglement entropy:** [Ryu, Takayanagi; JHEP (2006)]
- 2) **Emergent spacetime:** [Van Raamsdonk; Science (2020)]
- 3) **Fine-grained entropy:** [Almheiri et al.; Rev.Mod.Phys. (2021)]



➔ **Entanglement = Spacetime**

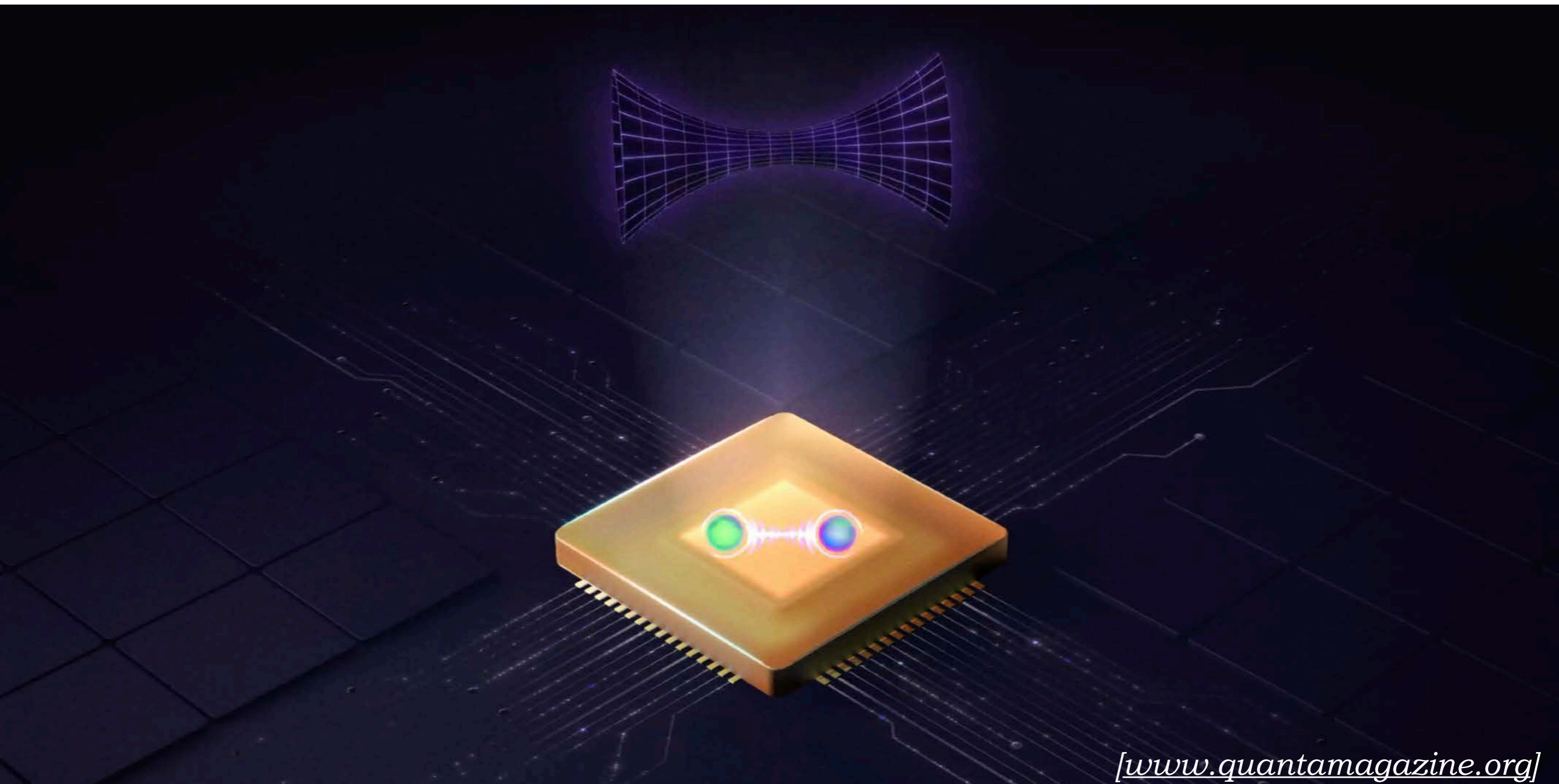
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[Jafferis et al.; Nature (2022)]



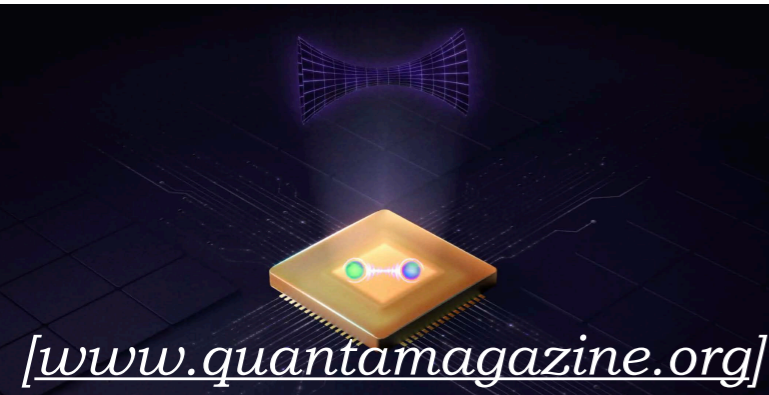
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Examine spacetime with “quantum computing glasses”.

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IBM/Quantinuum Competitors:
[Shapoval et al.; Quantum (2023)]



Principle

Quantumgravity problem

send a signal through a wormhole
in Jackiw-Teitelboim (JT) Gravity

gauge/gravity
correspondence



Quantum mechanics problem

quantum teleportation protocol in
Sachdev-Ye-Kitaev (SYK) model



machine
learning:
learn SYK

Simplified SYK problem

machine represents problem???
(Hamiltonian of seven Majorana fermions
with five fully-commuting terms)

Google's
Sycamore
solves
machine-
simplified
problem

Signal!



SYK Model of Majorana Fermions

from [Jafferis et al.; Nature (2022)]

Here, we study the dynamics of traversable wormholes through a many-body simulation of an SYK system of N fermions^{2,3}. The traversable wormhole protocol is equivalent to a quantum teleportation protocol in the large- N semiclassical limit (Fig. 1c). Explicitly, given left and right Hamiltonians H_L and H_R with N Majorana fermions ψ on each side, the SYK model with q couplings is given by

$$H_{L,R} = \sum_{1 \leq j_1 < \dots < j_q \leq N} J_{j_1 \dots j_q} \psi_{L,R}^{j_1} \dots \psi_{L,R}^{j_q}, \quad (1)$$

where the couplings are chosen from a Gaussian distribution with mean zero and variance $J^2(q-1)!/N^{q-1}$. We choose $q = 4$ and demonstrate gravitational physics at sufficiently small N , sparsifying $J_{j_1 \dots j_q}$ to enable experimental implementation.

Applying the learning process, we produce a large population of sparse Hamiltonians showing the appropriate interaction sign dependence (Fig. 2a). We select the learned Hamiltonian

$$H_{L,R} = -0.36\psi^1\psi^2\psi^4\psi^5 + 0.19\psi^1\psi^3\psi^4\psi^7 - 0.71\psi^1\psi^3\psi^5\psi^6 + 0.22\psi^2\psi^3\psi^4\psi^6 + 0.49\psi^2\psi^3\psi^5\psi^7, \quad (3)$$

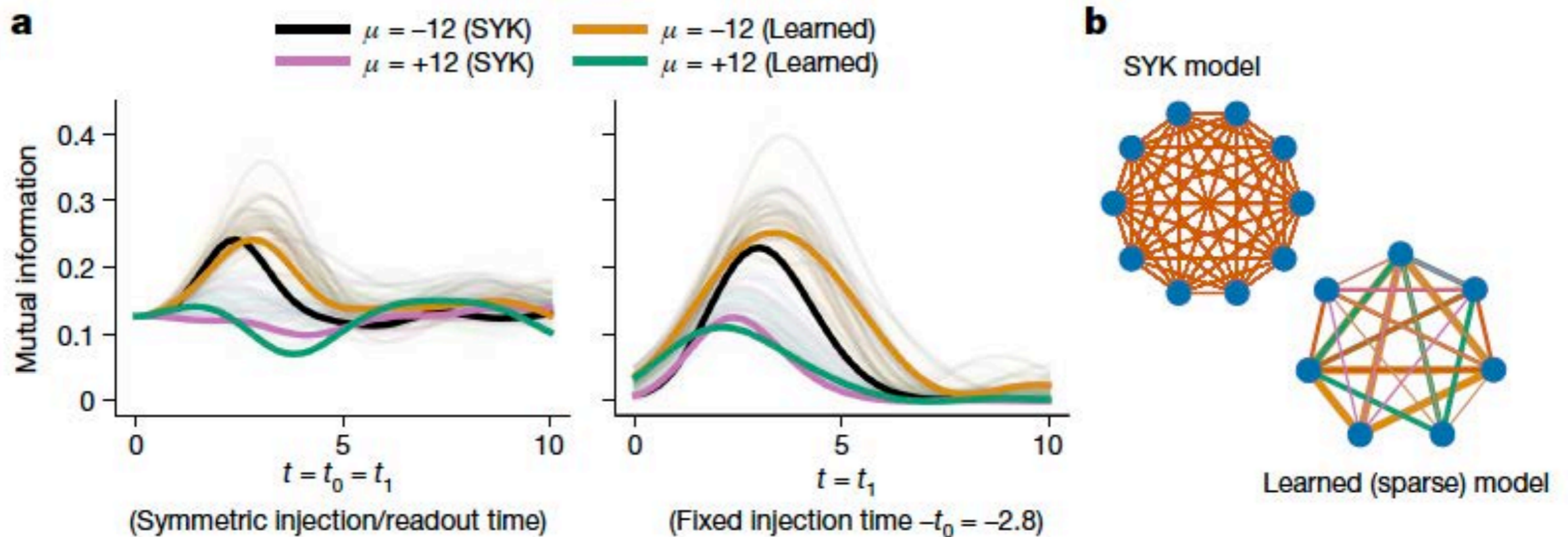
which requires seven of the original $N = 10$ SYK model fermions, where ψ^j denotes the Majorana fermions of either the left or the right systems.

Machine Learning (ML): Simplify the Problem

[Jafferis et al.; Nature (2022)]

Use of ML

- use machine learning techniques to construct a sparsified SYK model, experimentally realized with 164 two-qubit gates on a nine-qubit circuit



Potential shortcomings of Jafferis et al.'s experiment



[Jafferis et al.; Nature (2022)]

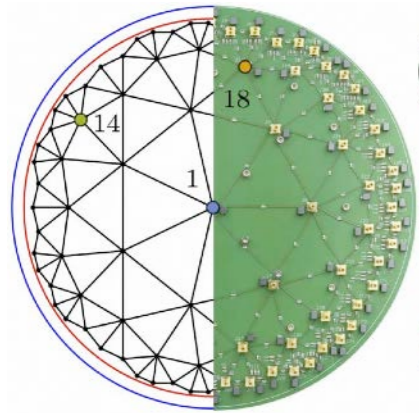
Comment criticizing this experiment

[Kobrin/Schuster/Yao; preprint (2023)]

- **Problem 1:** learned Hamiltonian does not exhibit thermalization
- **Problem 2:** resembles SYK only for operators used in ML training
- **Problem 3:** perfect size winding is generic feature of small-size models

see also response to criticism: [Jafferis et al.; (2023)]

Direct Experiment: Black Hole on Electrical Circuit



Principle

Quantumgravity problem

send a signal through a wormhole
in Jackiw-Teitelboim (JT) Gravity

Quantumgravity
quantum
information on
quantum circuit

Signal!

gauge/
gravity
corres-
pondence



Quantum mechanics problem

quantum teleportation protocol in
Sachdev-Ye-Kitaev (SYK) model

machine
learning:
learn SYK

Google's
Sycamore
solves
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Simplified SYK problem

machine represents problem???



Direct Experiment: Black Hole on Electrical Circuit

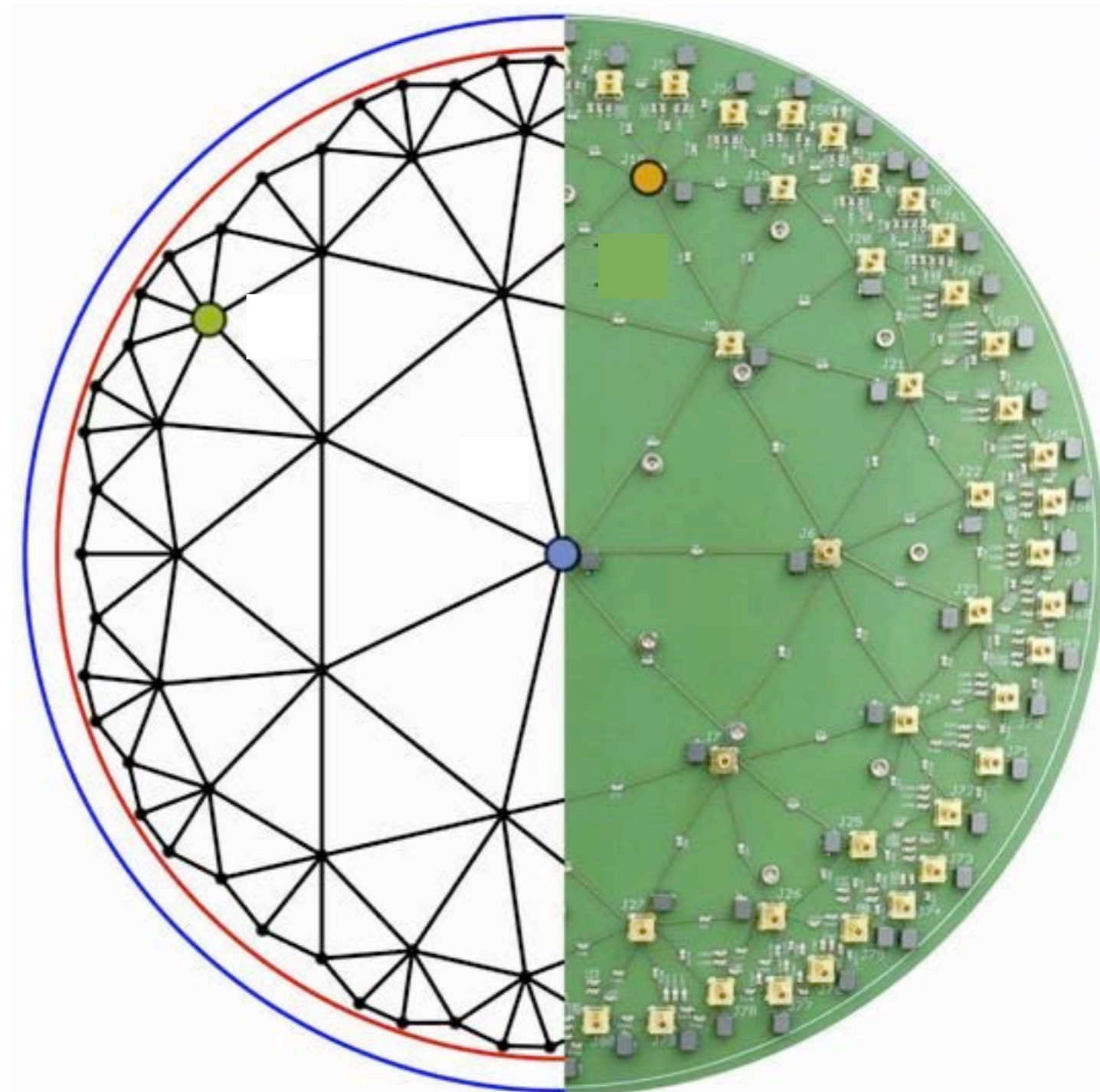
[Dey, Chen, Kaminski, et al.; PRL (2024)]

Model **black hole** on electrical hyperbolic circuit board

Voltage on circuit satisfies Klein-Gordon equation for massive scalar in AdS

[Basteiro et al.; PRL (2023)]

Testing holography in the lab

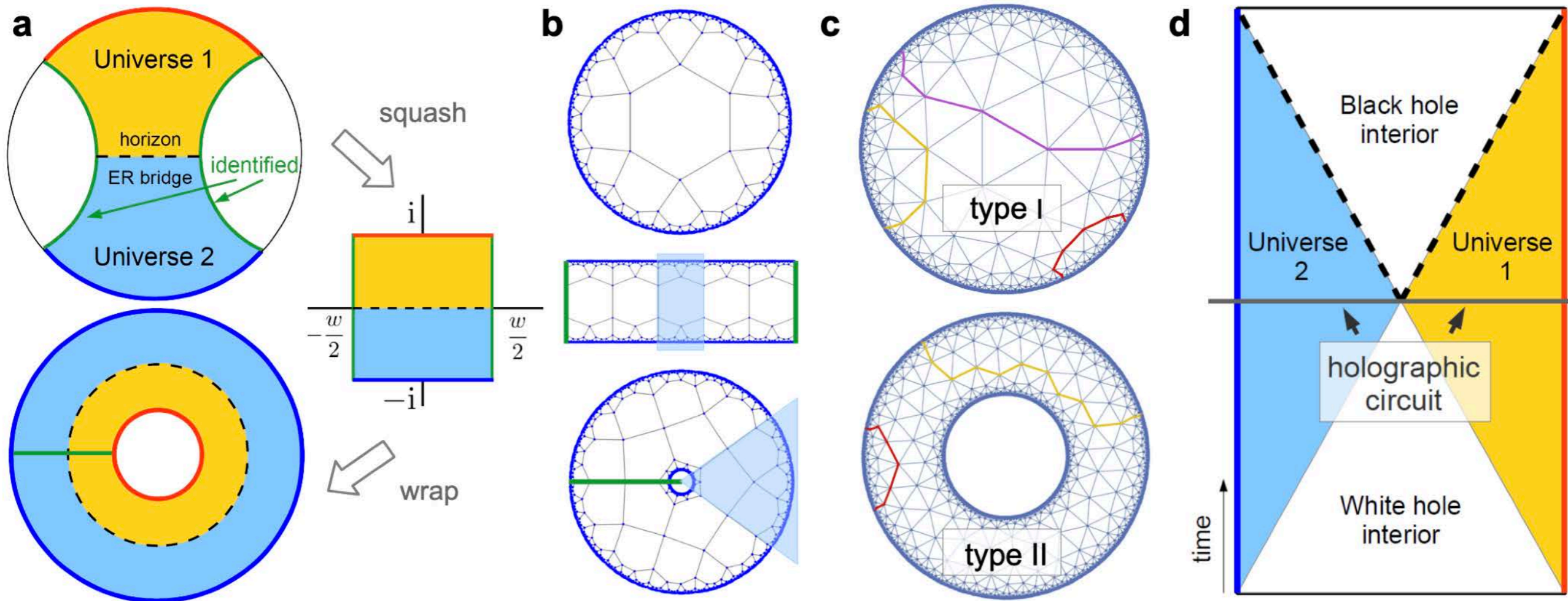


[Lenggenhager, Thomale et al., Nat. Commun. (2022)]

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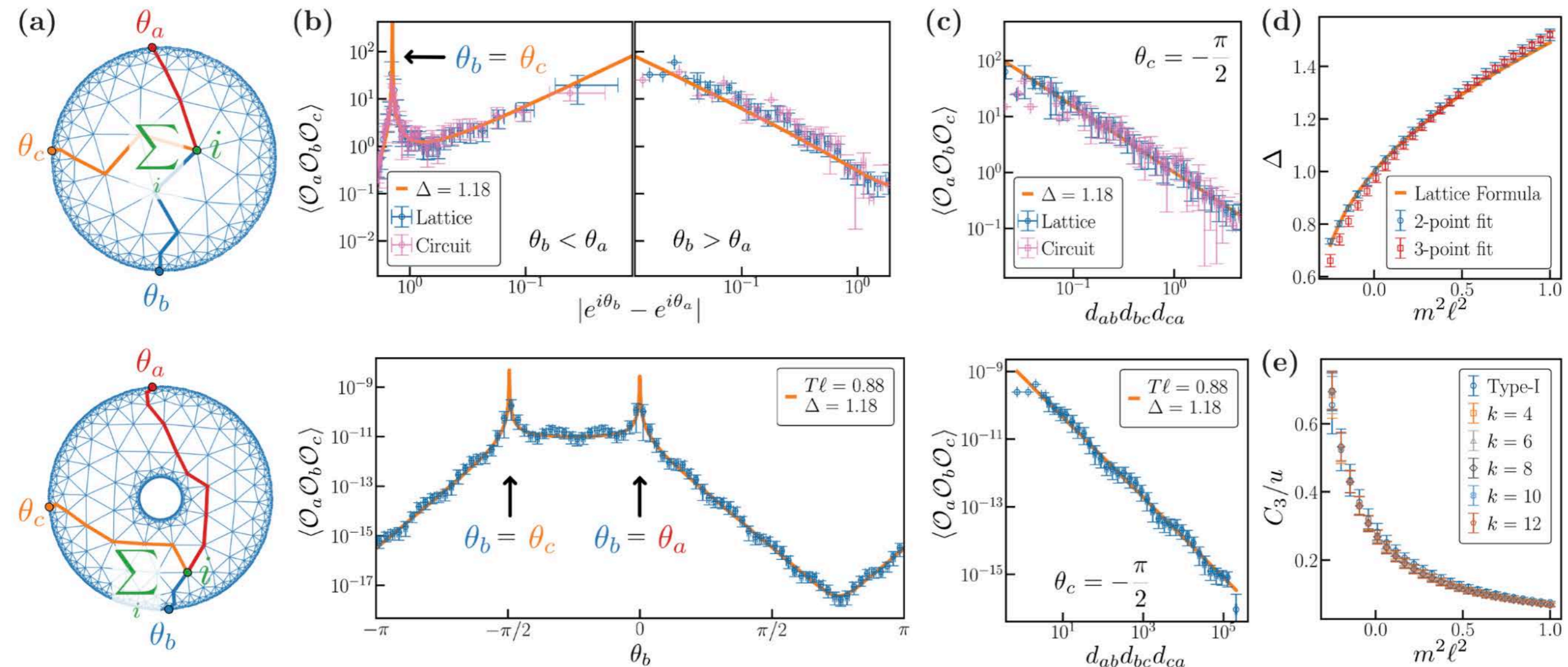
Realize wormhole on classical electric circuit:



Direct Experiment: Black Hole on Electrical Circuit

[Dey, Chen, Kaminski, et al.; PRL (2024)]

Three point functions measured on circuit (gravity side):



CFT expectation (gauge side):

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_a \mathcal{O}_b \mathcal{O}_c \rangle \simeq \frac{C_3}{(d_{ab}d_{ac}d_{bc})^\Delta}$$

$$d_{ab} = \begin{cases} |e^{i\theta_a} - e^{i\theta_b}| & \text{(type-I)} \\ \frac{\sinh(\pi T \ell |\theta_a - \theta_b|)}{\pi T \ell} & \text{(type-II)} \end{cases}$$

Discussion

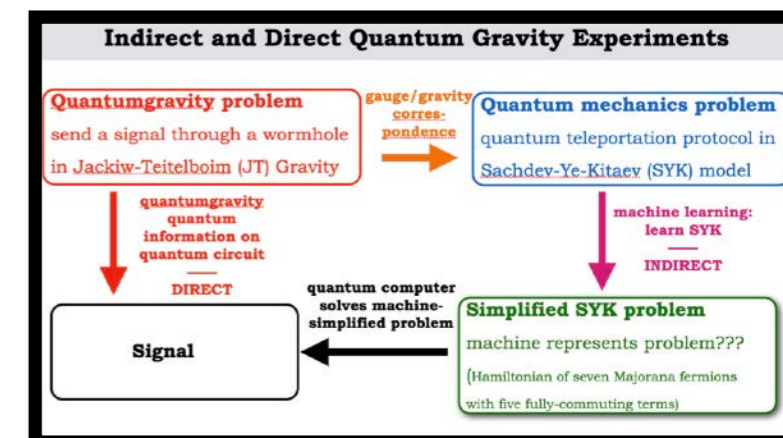
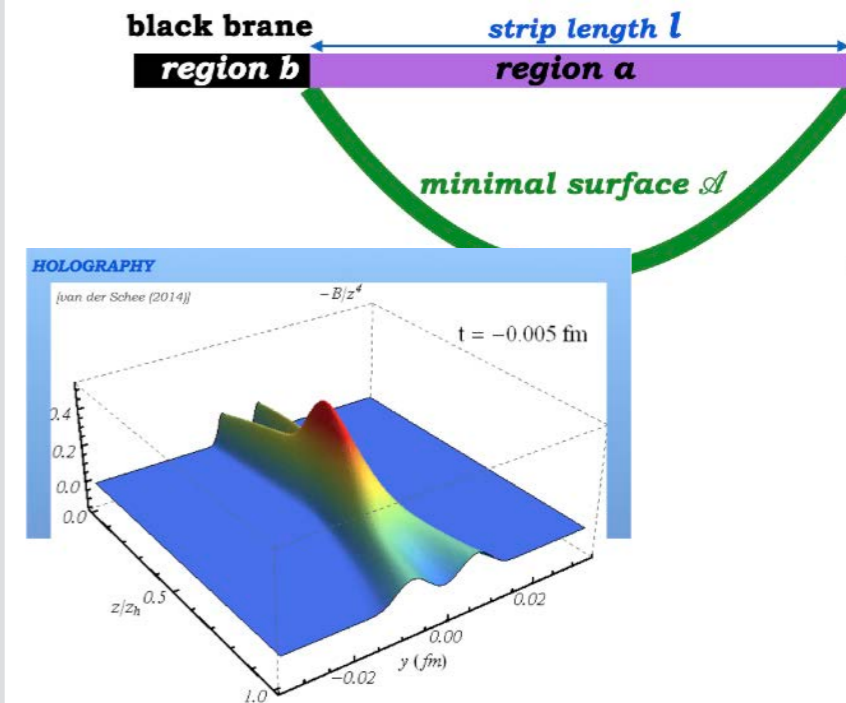
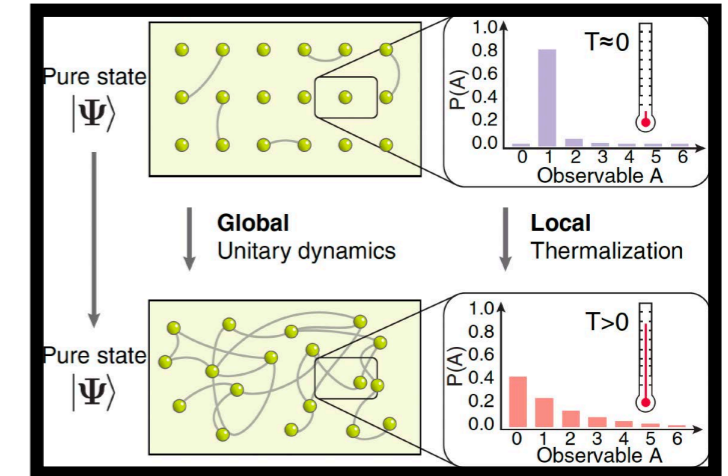
SUMMARY

- isolated quantum systems thermalize in similar ways
- entanglement = spacetime

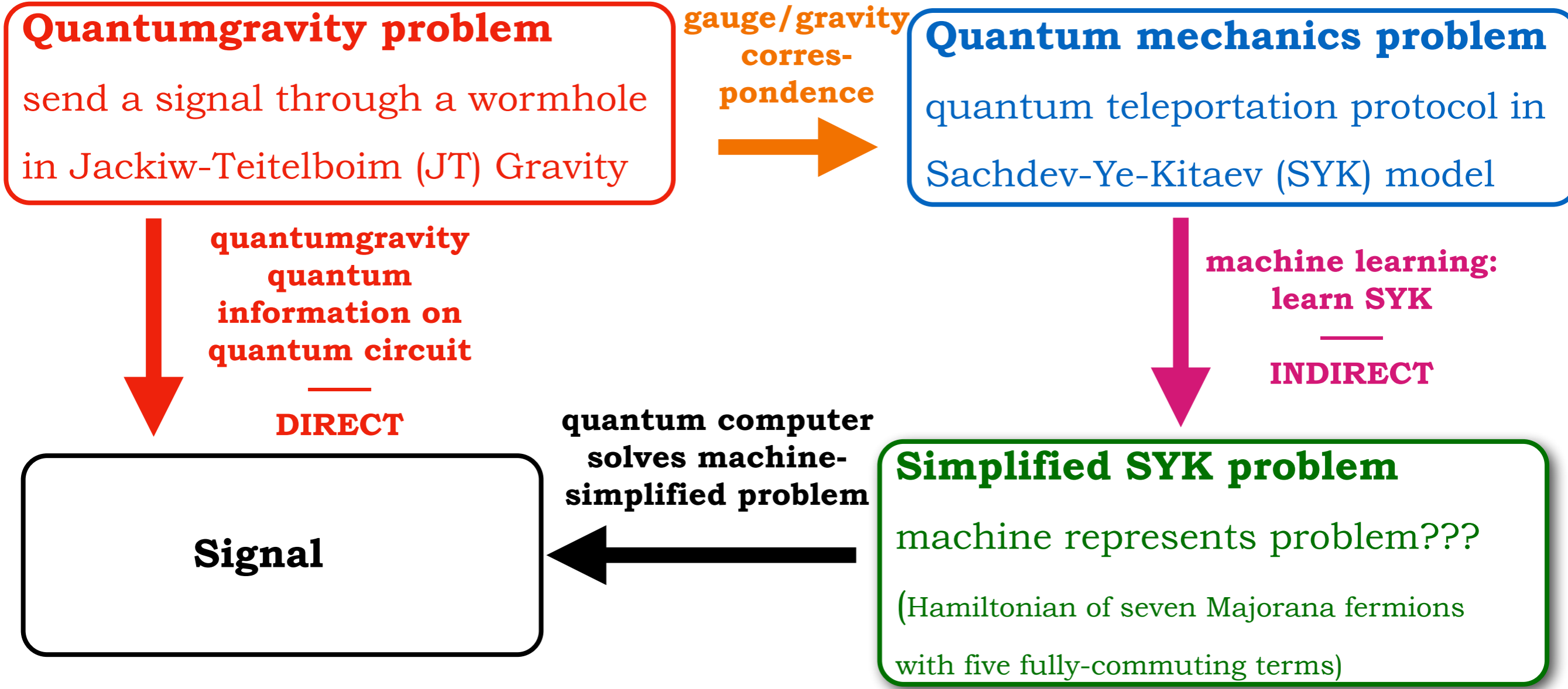
OUTLOOK

- entanglement entropy in holography far-from-equilibrium
- finite N corrections: get closer to few-body dynamics
- demonstrate “entanglement=spacetime” in experiments
(spacetime emerging from entangled quantum bits?)
- ⇒ improve indirect traversable wormhole on quantum computer
- ⇒ directly simulate quantum gravity on quantum computer
- use machine learning methods (experiments, ML spacetime)

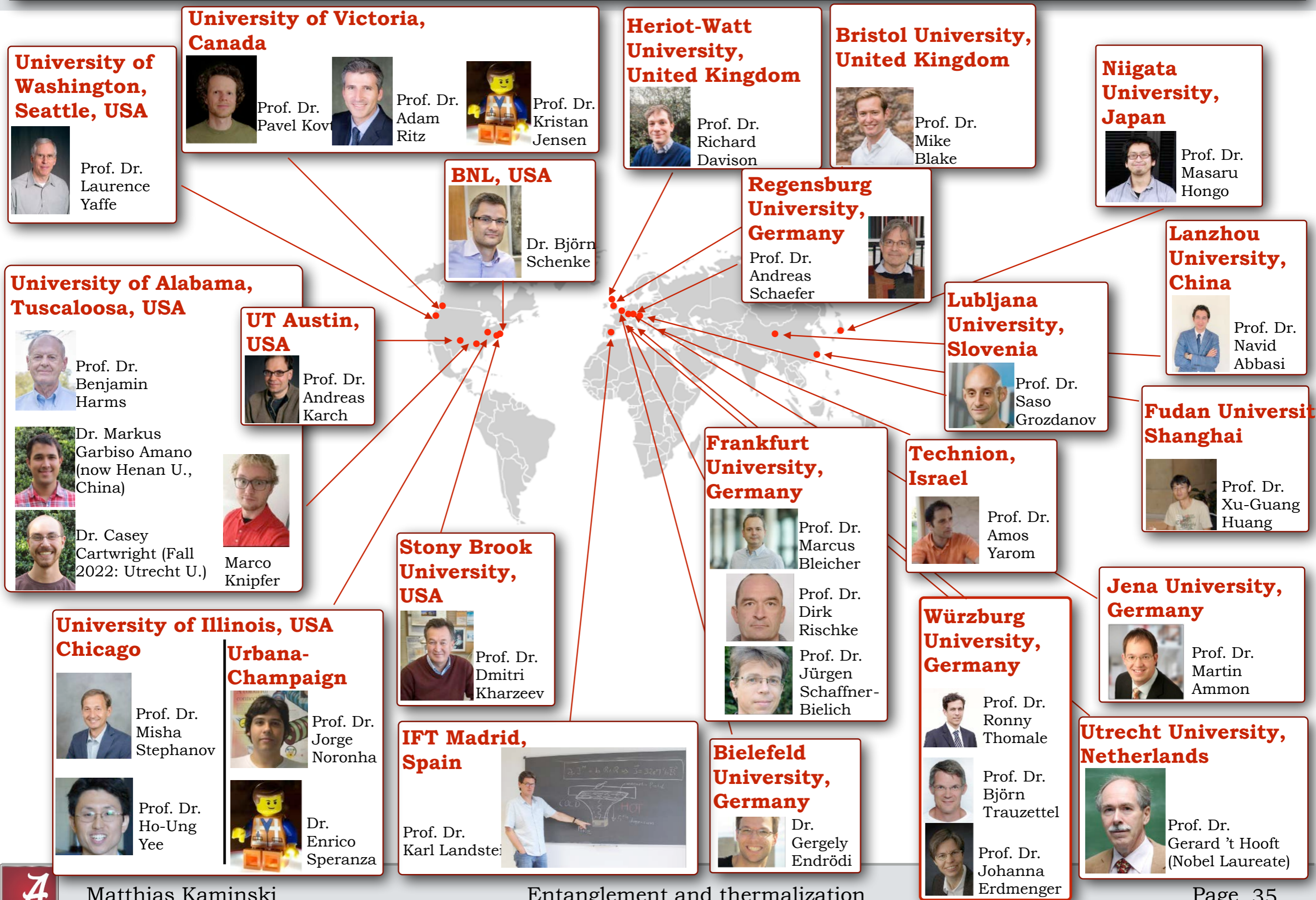
⇒ talk by Jane Kim



Indirect and Direct Quantum Gravity Experiments



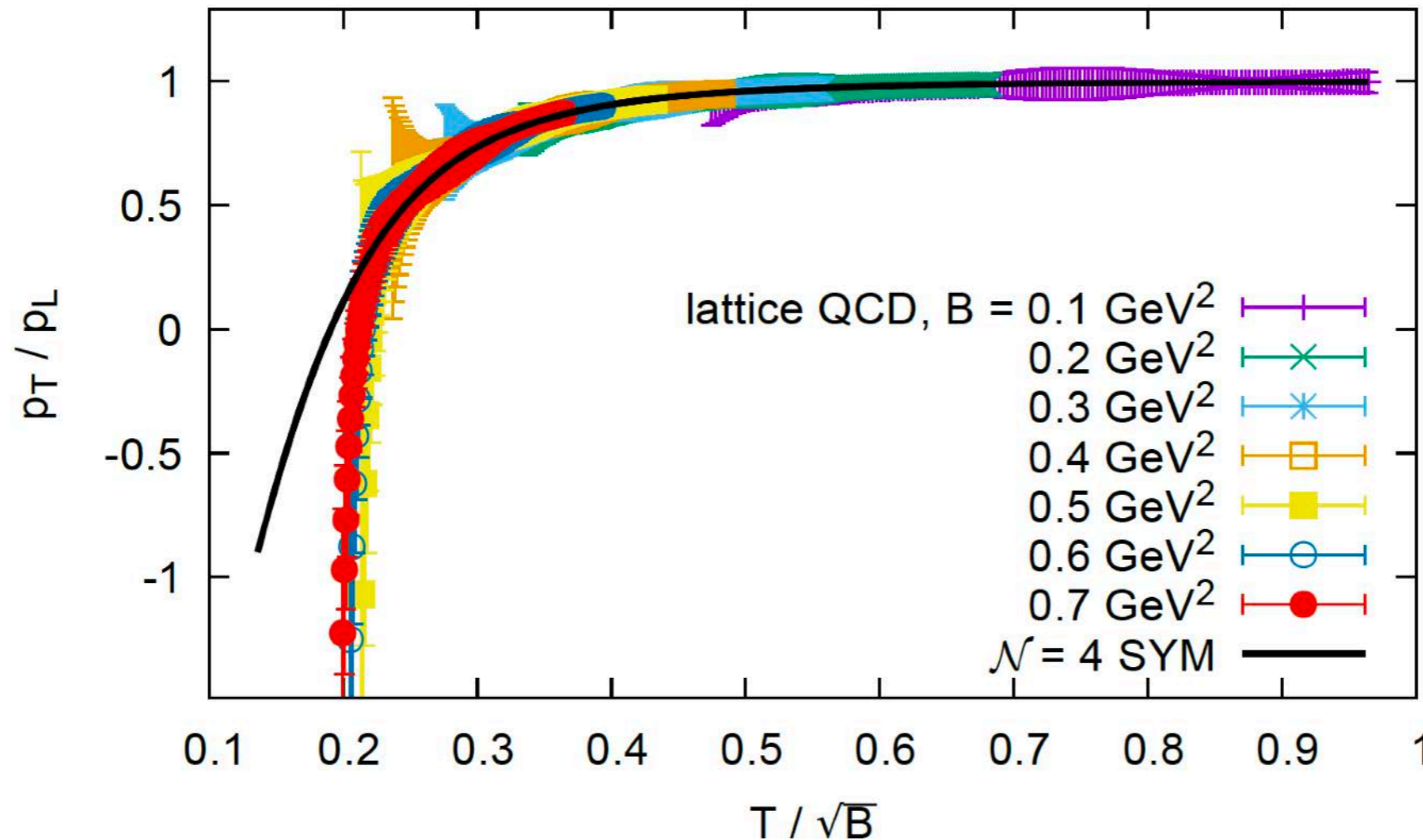
Thanks to my collaborators (since 2012)



APPENDIX

APPENDIX: Universal magneto response in LQCD and N=4 SYM with magnetic field

[Endrödi, Kaminski, Schäfer, Wu, Yaffe; JHEP (2018)]



Lattice QCD with 2+1 flavors, dynamical quarks,
physical masses

*transverse
pressure:*

$$p_T = -\frac{L_T}{V} \frac{\partial F_{\text{QCD}}}{\partial L_T}$$

*longitudinal
pressure:*

$$p_L = -\frac{L_L}{V} \frac{\partial F_{\text{QCD}}}{\partial L_L}$$

F_{QCD} ... *free energy*

L_T ... *transverse system
size*

L_L ... *longitudinal system
size*

V ... *system volume*

Direct Experiment: Black Hole on Electrical Circuit

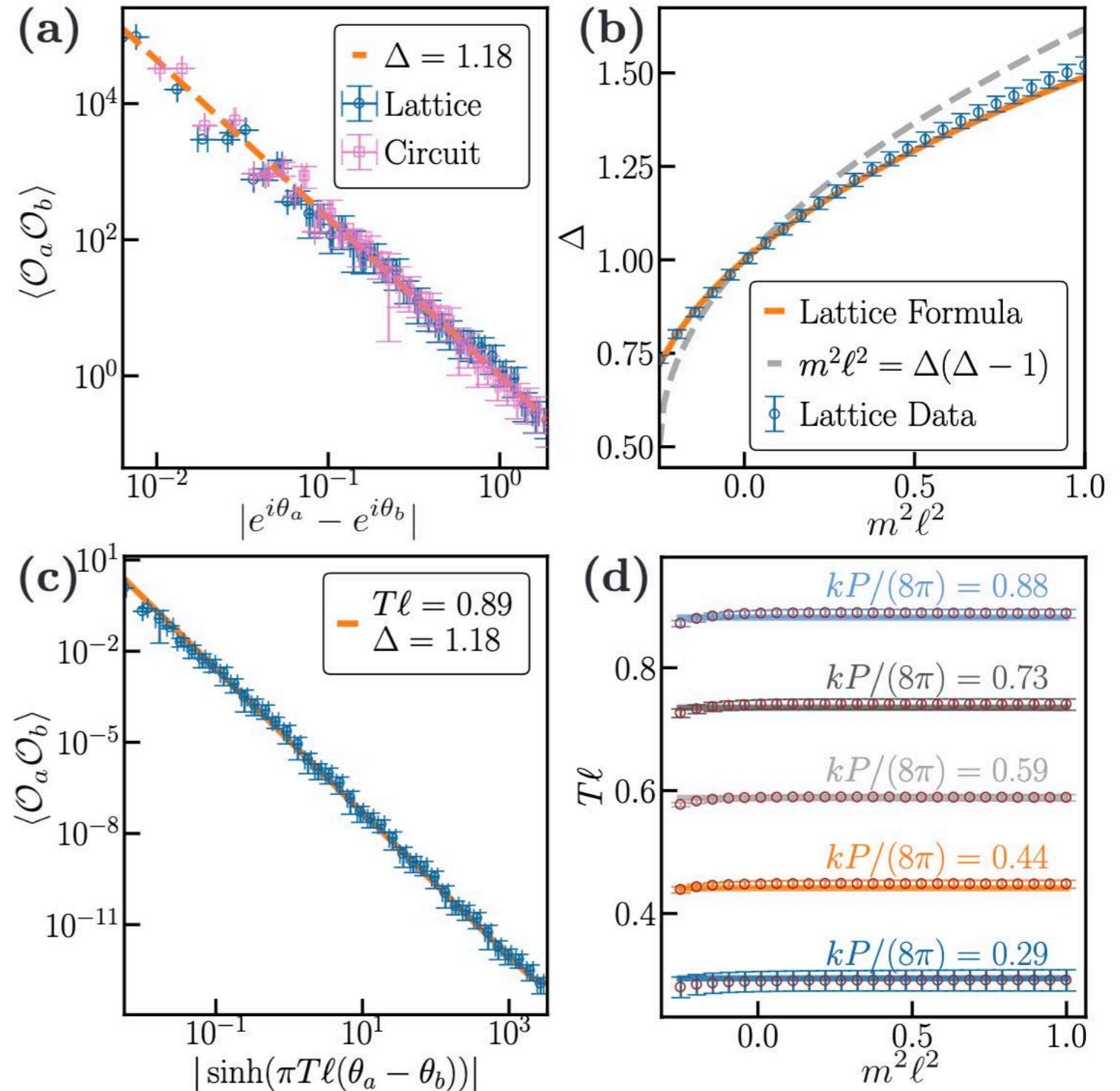
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Two point functions measured
on circuit (gravity side):



c-Function

Zamolodchikov's c-theorem in 2D

$$(c)_{UV} \geq (c)_{IR}$$

energy-momentum tensor:

$$\langle T^a_a \rangle = -\frac{c}{12} R$$

trace anomaly

[Zamolodchikov; JETP Lett.(1986)]

c-theorem in 4D (the a-theorem)

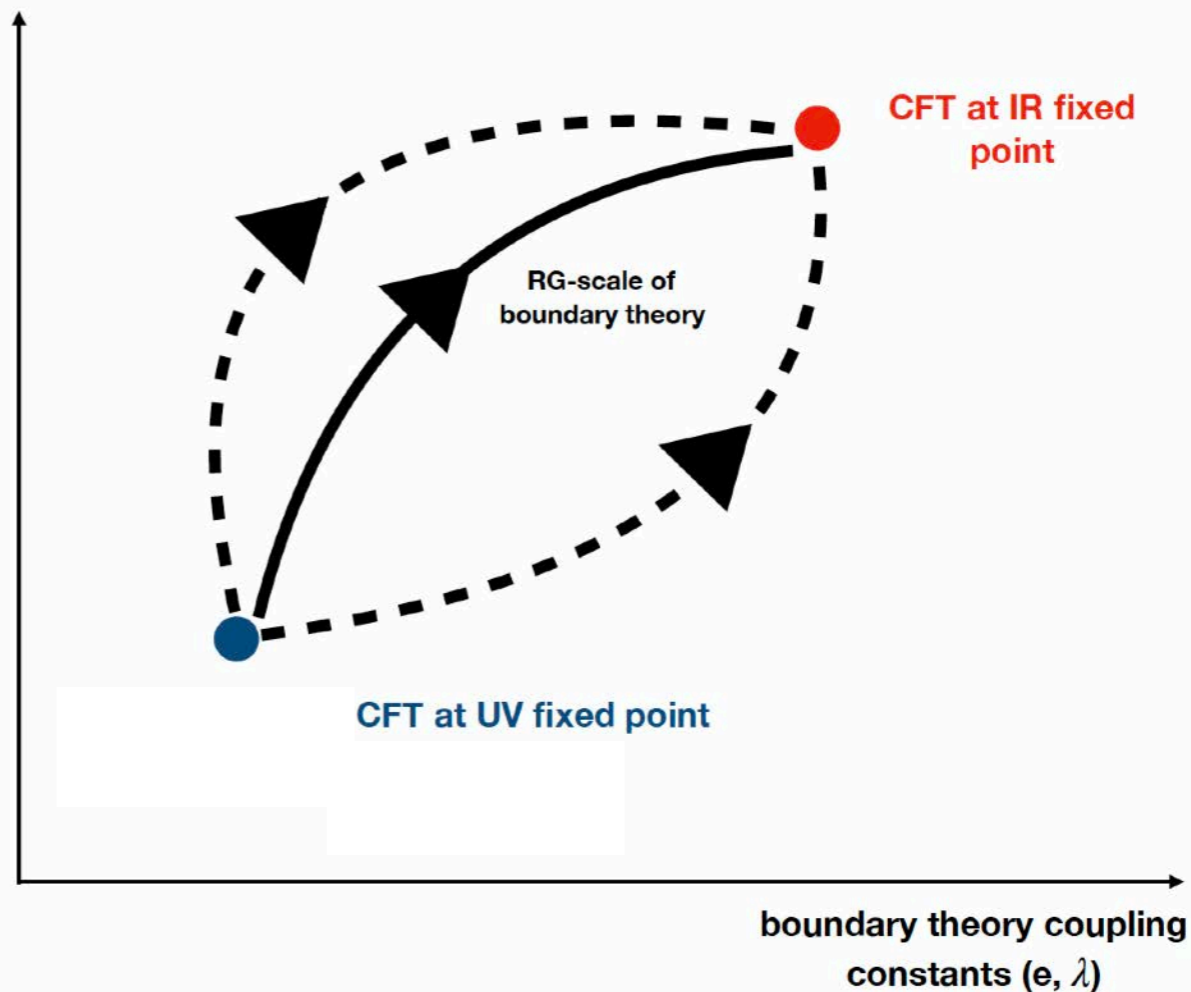
$$(a_4)_{UV} - (a_4)_{IR}$$

$$\langle T^b_b \rangle = \frac{c_{TT}}{16\pi^2} \mathcal{C}^2 - \frac{a_4}{16\pi^2} \mathcal{E} - \frac{1}{4} F^2$$

[Komargodski, Schwimmer; (2011)]

[Cardy; Phys.Lett.B(1988)]

[Osborn; Phys.Lett.B(1988)]



➔ IR/UV fixed points: c-function equals central charge of IR/UV CFT

➔ c-function measures degrees of freedom

➔ take a CFT: c-function constant

Entropic c-function

2D

$$c_2 = 3\ell \frac{\delta S_a}{\delta \ell} \begin{array}{l} \text{entanglement} \\ \text{entropy} \end{array}$$

[Casini, Huerta; *Phys.Lett.B* (2004)]

ℓ : length scale (inverse energy scale)

4D

$$a_4 = \beta_4 \frac{\ell^3}{H^2} \frac{\partial S_a}{\partial \ell}$$

[Nishioka, Takayanagi; *JHEP* (2007)]

[Myers, Sinha; *JHEP* (2011)]

H : IR-regulator

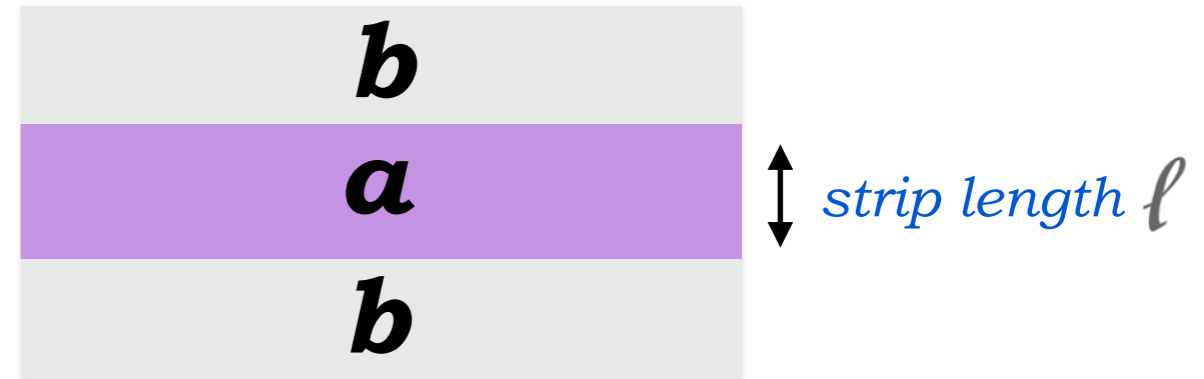
β_4 : known constant

➔ **c-function defined by entanglement entropy**

Holographic entanglement entropy

Definition

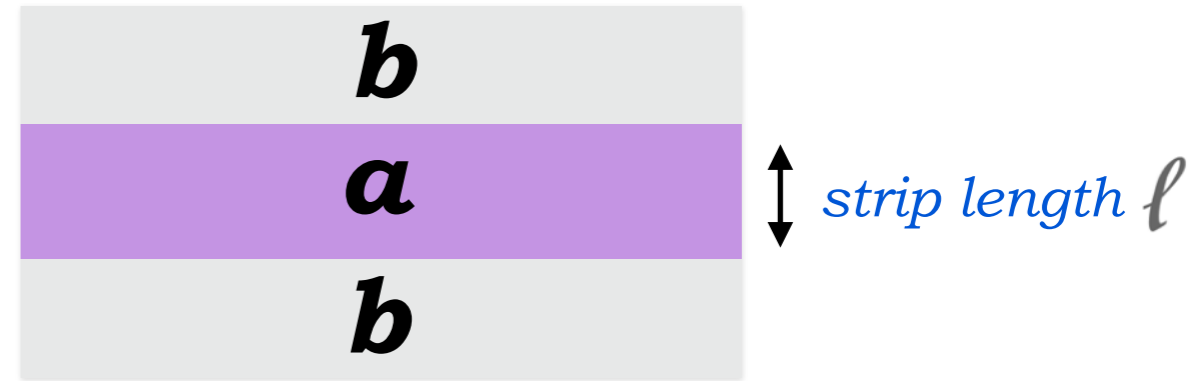
$$S_a = -\text{Tr} \rho_a \log \rho_a, \quad \rho_a = \text{Tr}_b |\psi\rangle \langle \psi|$$



Holographic entanglement entropy

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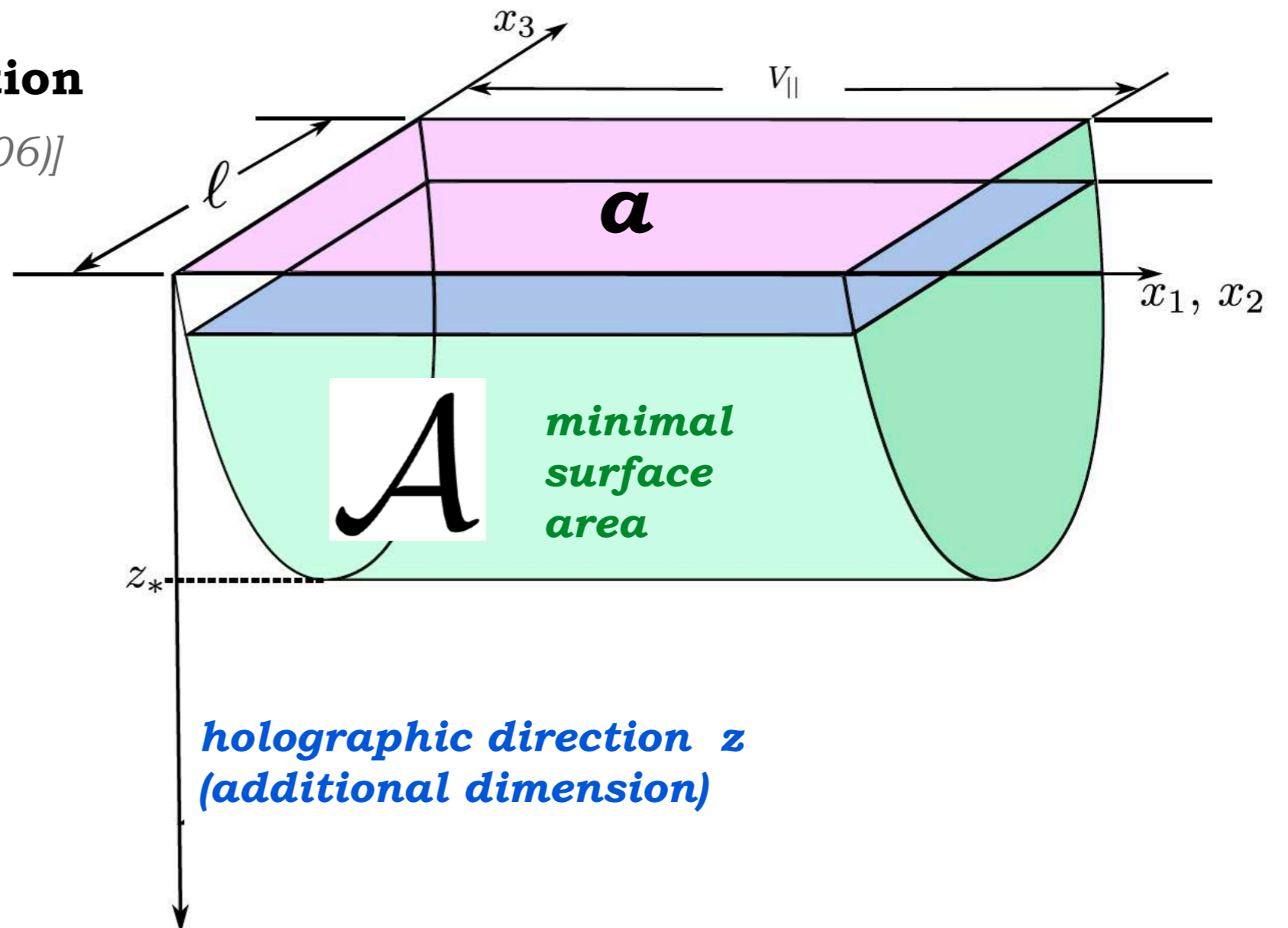


Holographically dual definition

[Ryu, Takayanagi; JHEP (2006)]

$$S_a = \frac{1}{4G_5} A$$

G_5 is the 5-dimensional gravitational constant of Anti de Sitter spacetime



holographic direction z
(additional dimension)

Gravity dual to $N=4$ SYM theory with magnetic field



Einstein-Maxwell-Chern-Simons action

$$S_{grav} = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left[\int_{\mathcal{M}} d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left(R + \frac{12}{L^2} - \frac{1}{4} F_{mn} F^{mn} \right) - \frac{\gamma}{6} \int_{\mathcal{M}} A \wedge F \wedge F \right]$$

5-dimensional Einstein-Maxwell action encodes $N=4$ Super-Yang-Mills theory with axial **$U(1)$ gauge symmetry**

5-dimensional Chern-Simons term **encodes chiral anomaly**

Einstein-Maxwell equations

$$R_{\mu\nu} + 4g_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \left(F_{\mu\alpha} F_{\nu}{}^{\alpha} - \frac{1}{6} g_{\mu\nu} F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta} \right)$$
$$\nabla_{\mu} F^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{\gamma}{8\sqrt{-g}} \epsilon^{\nu\alpha\beta\lambda\sigma} F_{\alpha\beta} F_{\lambda\sigma} .$$

Solution: charged magnetic black brane metric [D'Hoker, Kraus; JHEP (2010)]

- magnetic extension of a (charged) Reissner-Nordstrom black brane

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2} \left(\frac{dz^2}{U(z)} - U(z) dt^2 + v(z)^2 (dx_1^2 + dx_2^2) + w(z)^2 (dx_3^2 + c(z) dt)^2 \right)$$

with numerically known solutions for U, v, w, c

Gravitational *calculation*

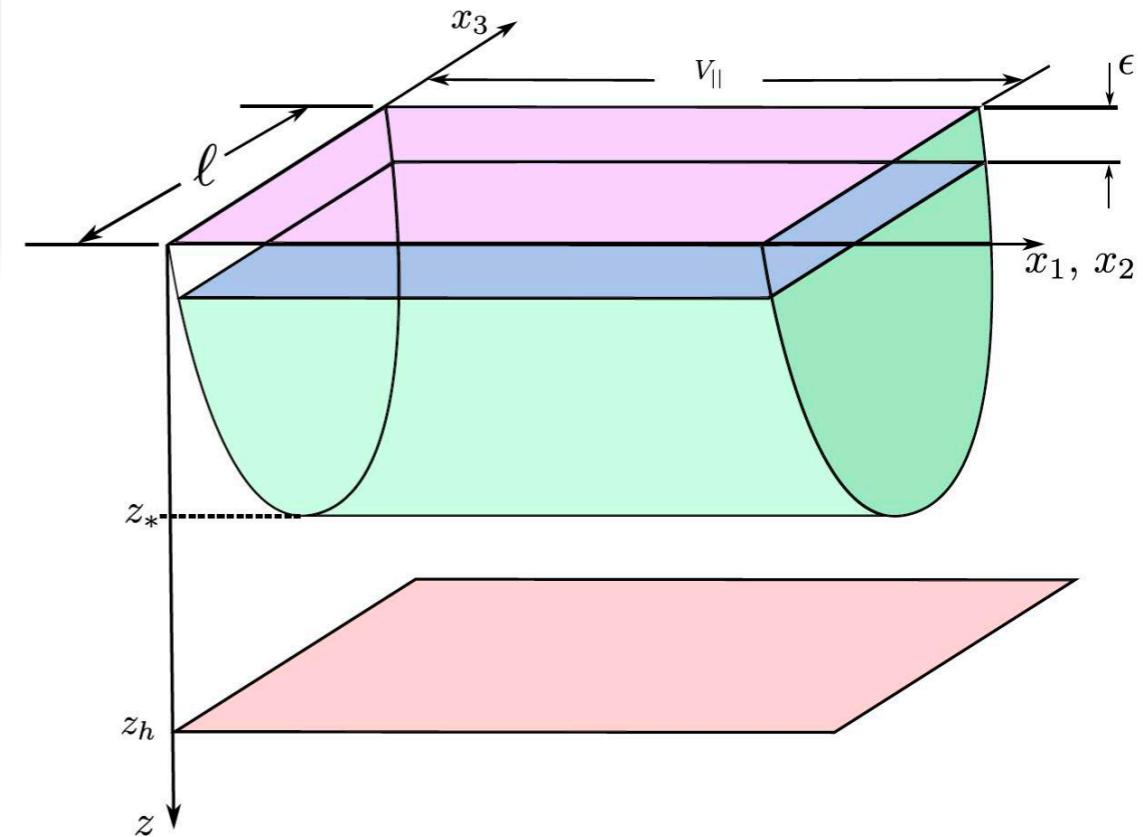


➔ calculate a *geodesic* in conformally deformed AdS metric

| | Transverse | Longitudinal |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Embedding Coordinates | $\chi^\mu = (z(\sigma), t(\sigma), x_1(\sigma), x_2, x_3)$ | $\chi^\mu = (z(\sigma), t(\sigma), x_1, x_2, x_3(\sigma))$ |
| Surface Coordinates | $\sigma^i = (\sigma, x_2, x_3)$ | $\sigma^i = (\sigma, x_1, x_2)$ |

Recall:

$$S_{a^-} = \frac{1}{4G_5} \mathcal{A}$$



Entanglement entropy

$$S_{a^-} = \frac{1}{4G_5} V_{\parallel} \int d\sigma \sqrt{\frac{v(z(\sigma))^4 \left(w(z(\sigma))^2 x_3'(\sigma)^2 + \frac{z'(\sigma)^2}{U(z(\sigma))} \right)}{z(\sigma)^6}}$$

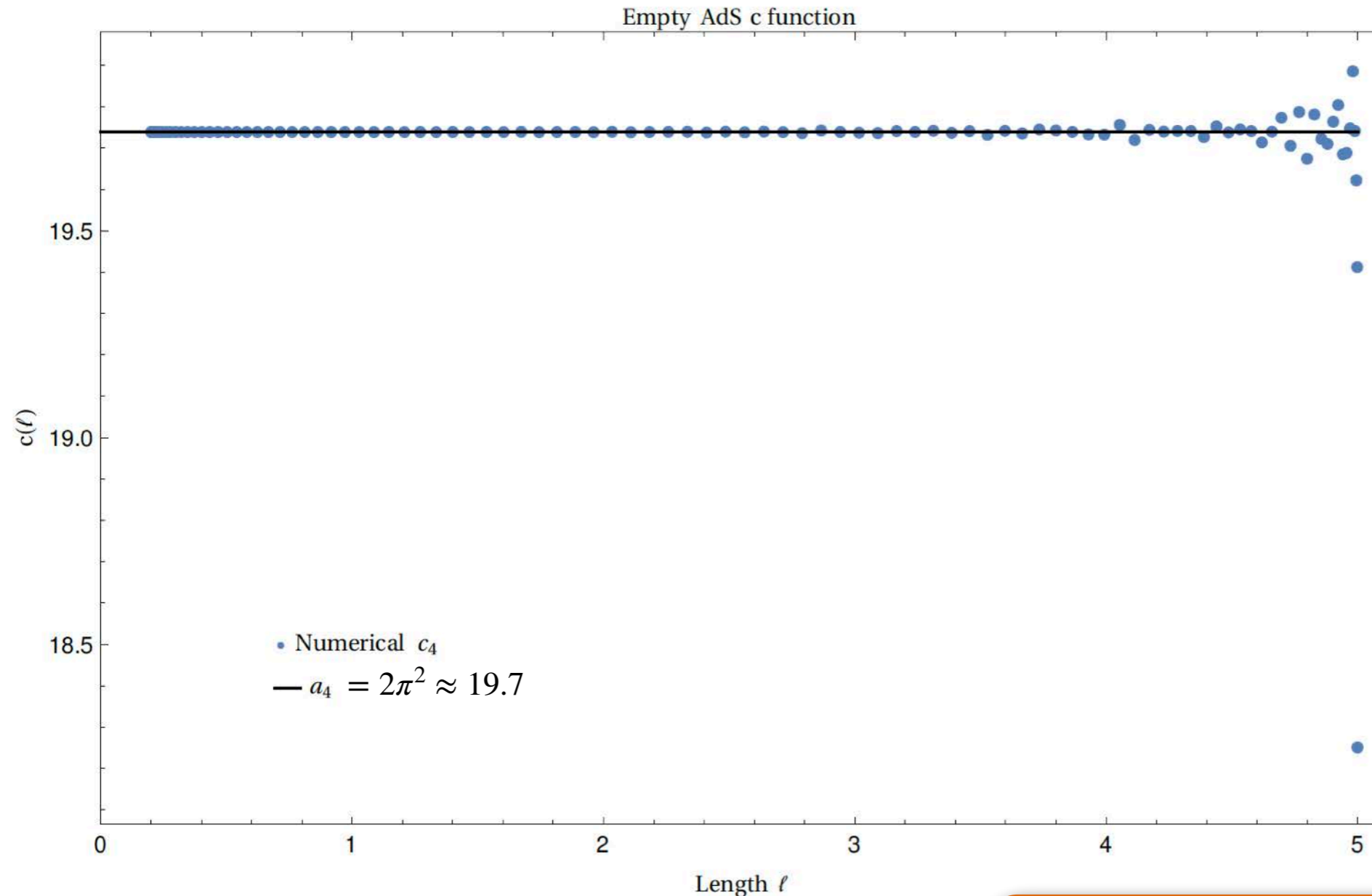
minimal surface area \mathcal{A}

$$V_{\parallel} = \int_{-a}^a \int_{-b}^b dx_1 dx_3$$

Reminder: metric is $ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2} \left(\frac{dz^2}{U(z)} - U(z)dt^2 + v(z)^2 (dx_1^2 + dx_2^2) + w(z)^2 (dx_3^2 + c(z)dt)^2 \right)$

Entropic c-function *in N=4 SYM vacuum state*

[Cartwright, Kaminski; arXiv: 2107.12409]



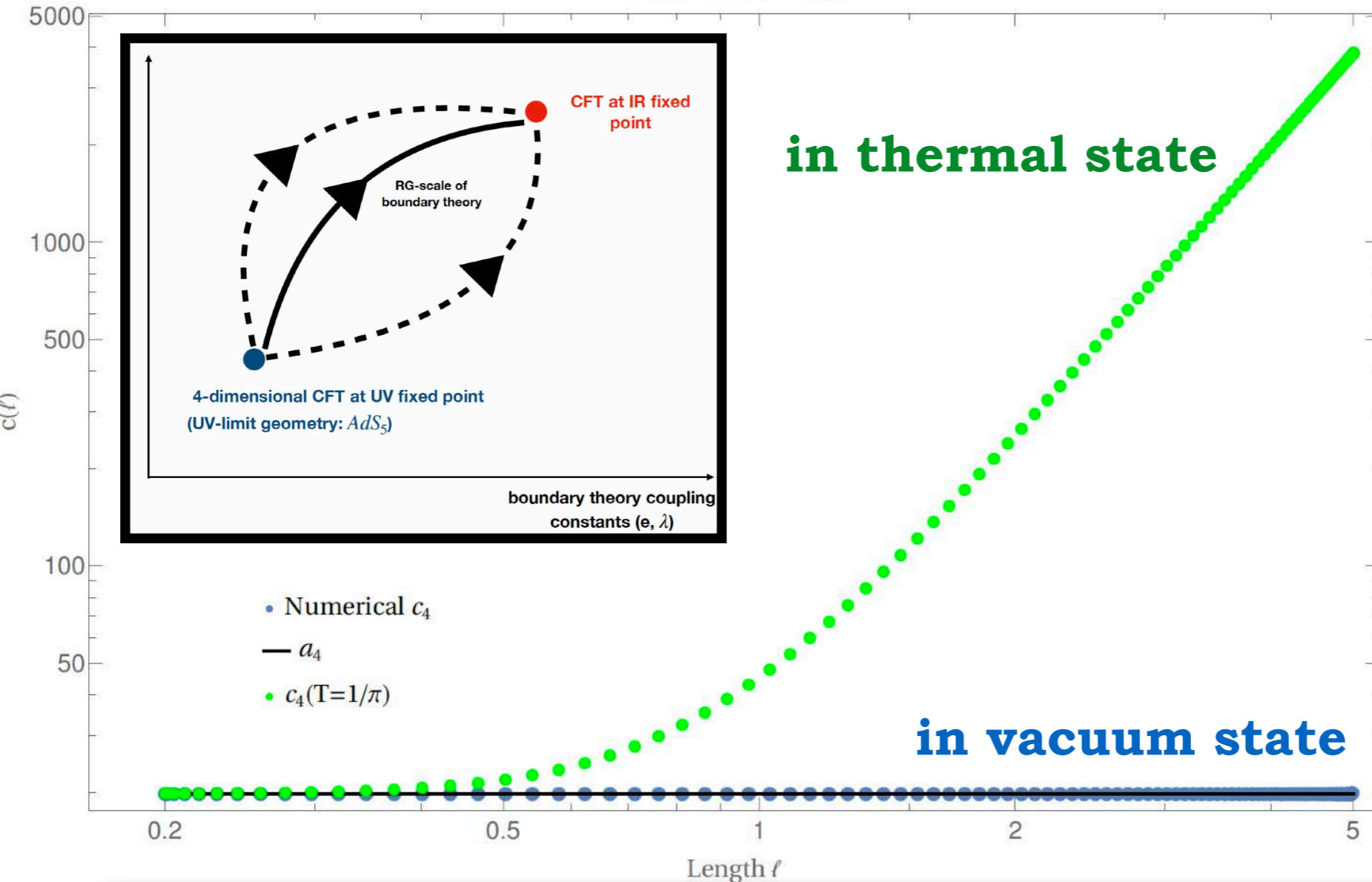
**zero temperature,
no magnetic field,
vanishing charge**

➔ **c-function at all scales
equal to central charge of
N=4 SYM, which is a CFT**

Entropic c-function *increases* in *thermal* state

[Cartwright, Kaminski; JHEP (2021)]

Thermal c function



$$a_4 = \beta_4 \frac{\ell^3}{H^2} \frac{\partial S_a}{\partial \ell}$$

[Casini, Huerta; Phys.Lett.B (2004)]

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H : IR-regulator

β_4 : known constant

➔ **c-function increases in thermal state (violates c-theorem?)**

➔ **constant in vacuum of CFT (c-theorem valid)**

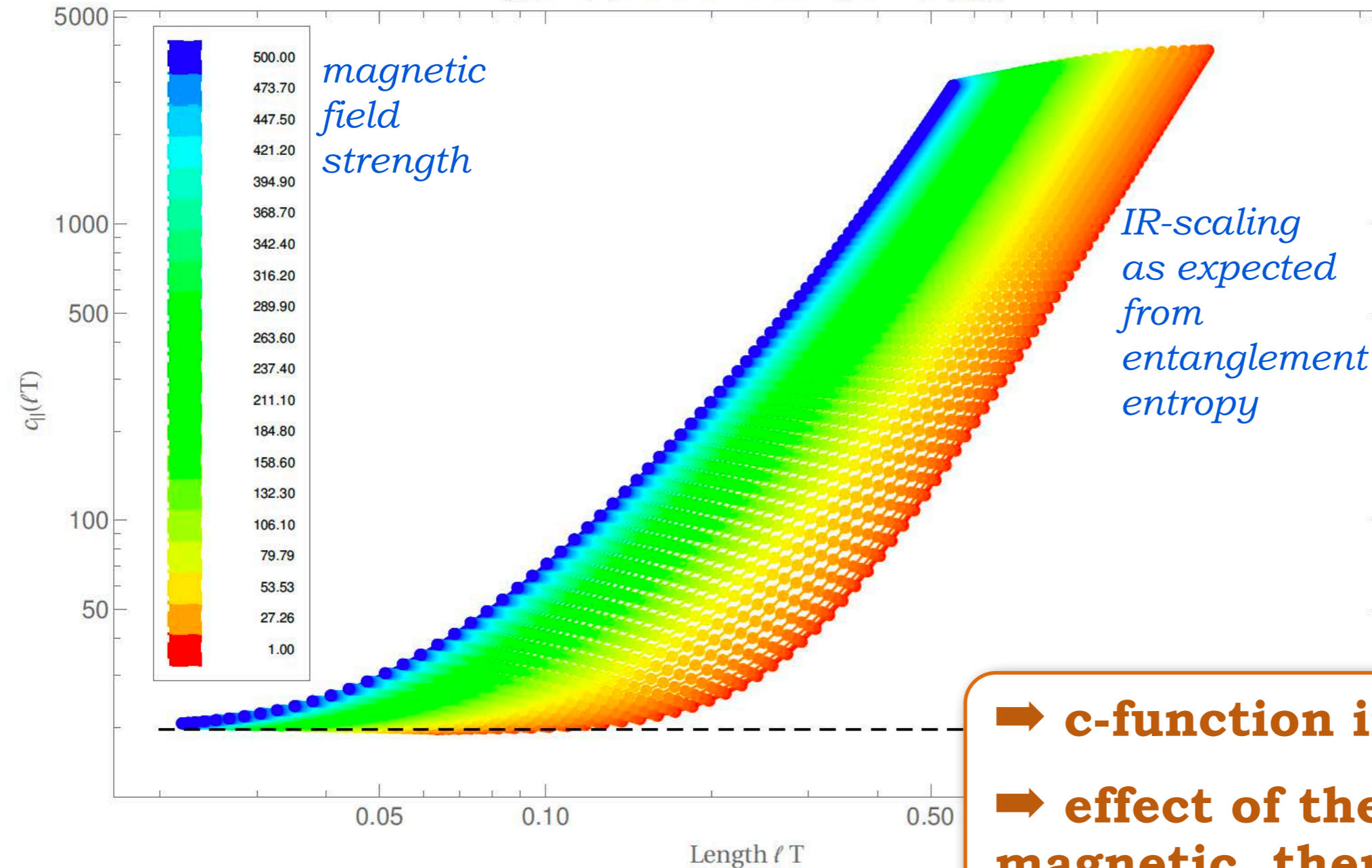
➔ **IR limit: thermal entropy**

[Zamolodchikov; JETP Lett.(1986)]
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$c_{||}(\mu/T=1/5)$ as a function of length for $\gamma=\gamma_{\text{susy}}$

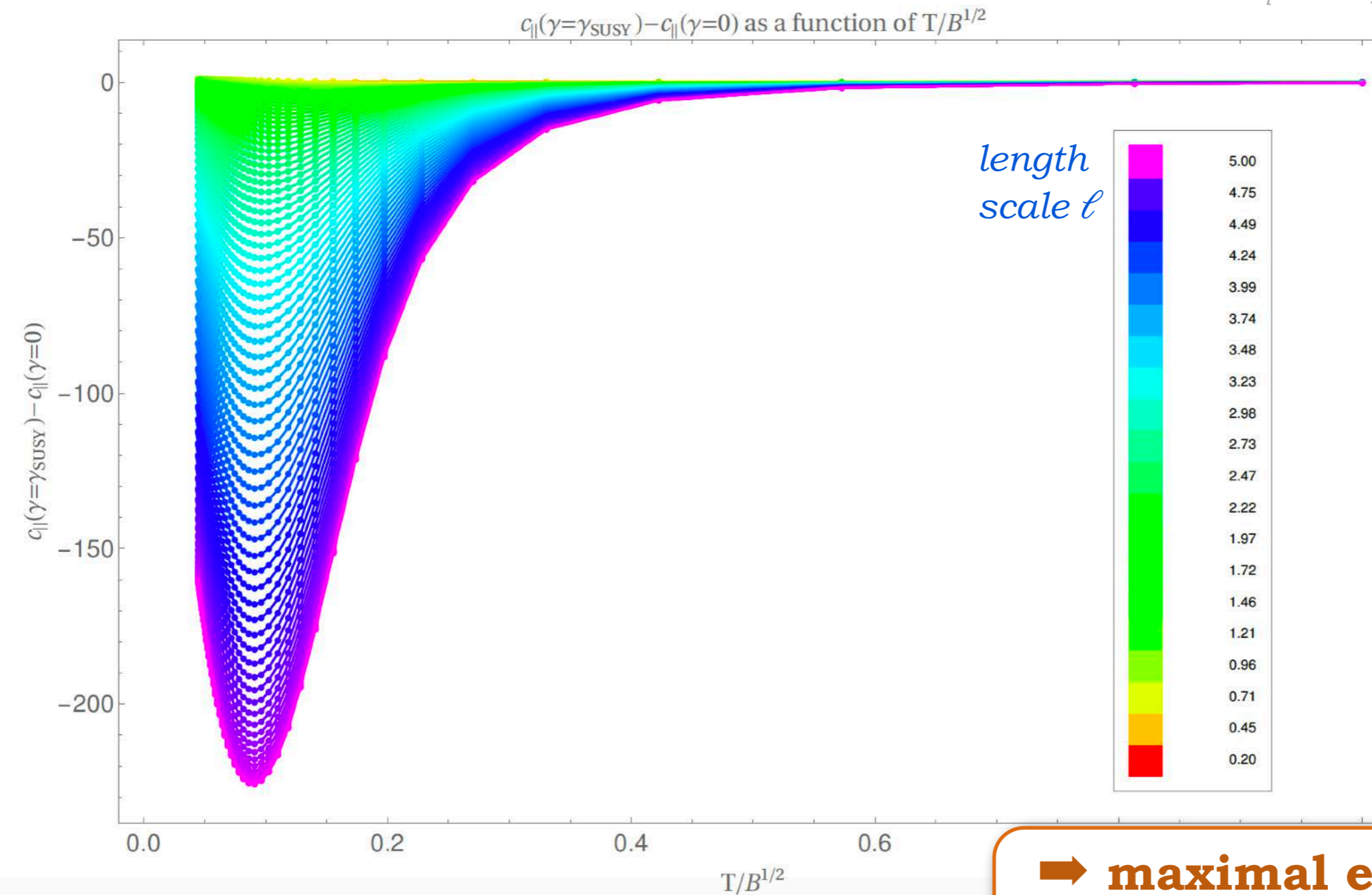


**now with
temperature,
magnetic field,
charge,
chiral anomaly**

- ➔ **c-function increases**
- ➔ **effect of the charged, magnetic, thermal state**
- ➔ **IR limit: thermal entropy**
- ➔ **proposal: measure of occupation number**

Effect of the chiral anomaly

[Cartwright, Kaminski; arXiv: 2107.12409]

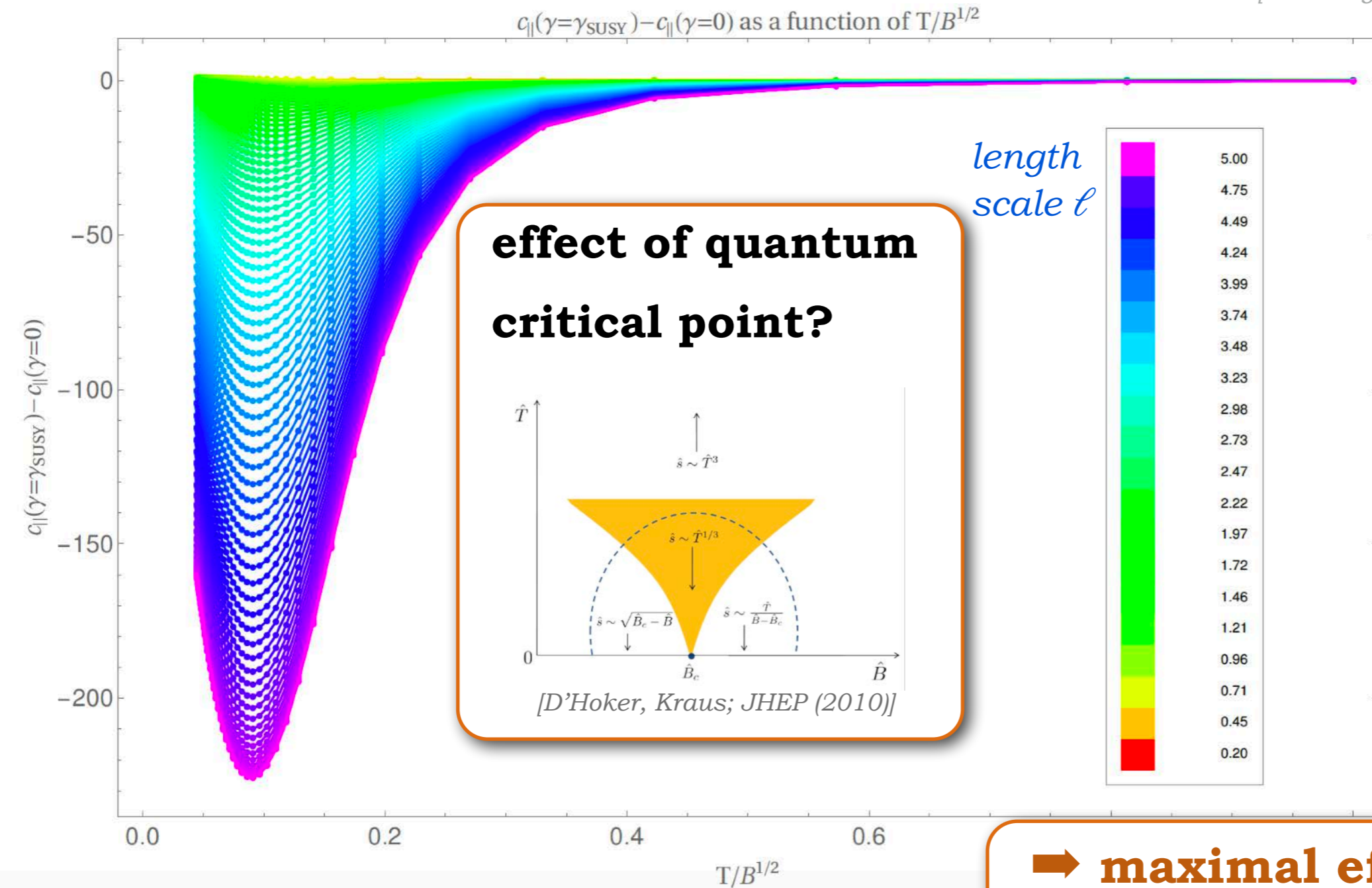


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**➔ maximal effect at 0.1
(thermal entropy has no
maximum)**

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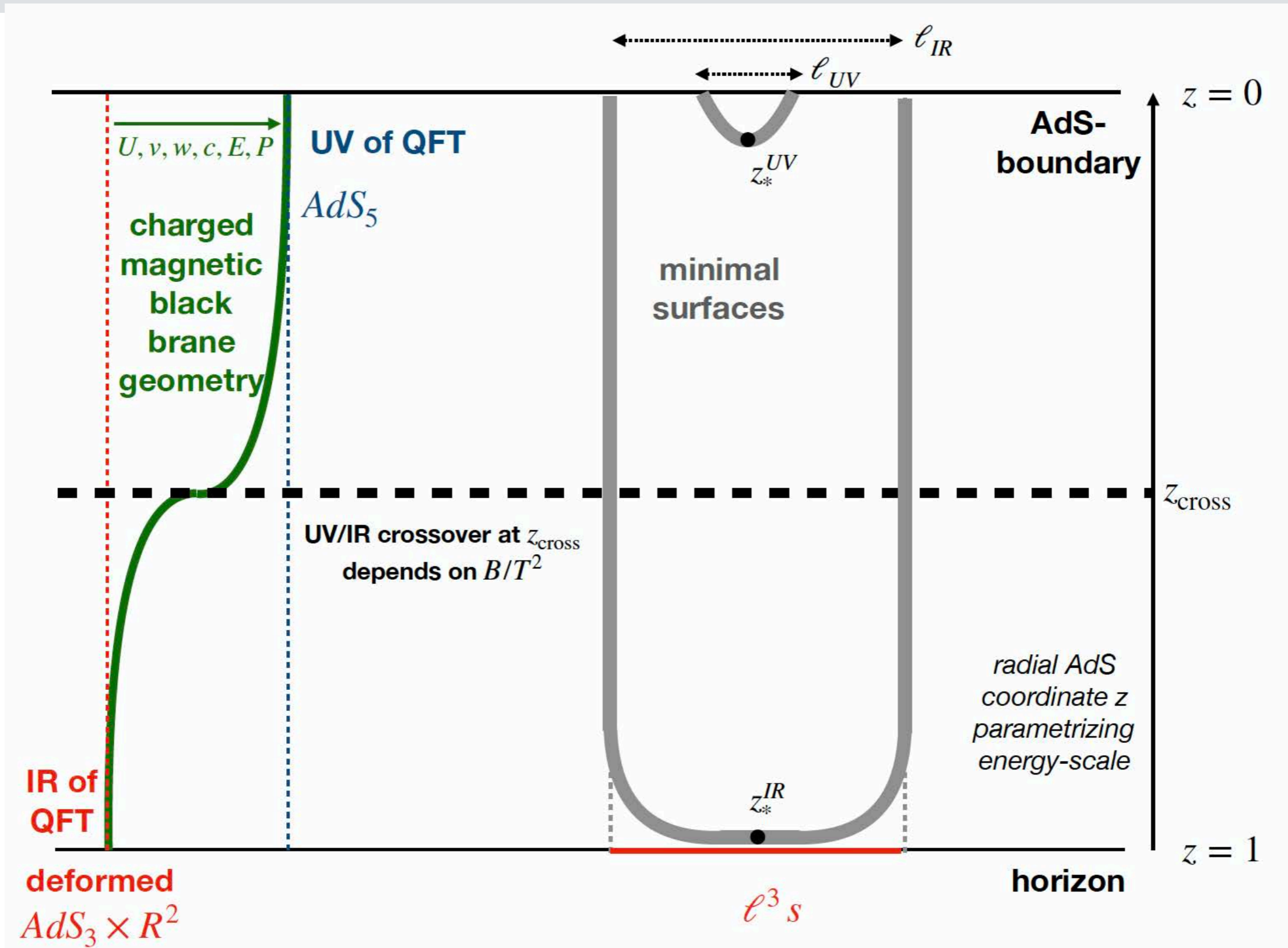
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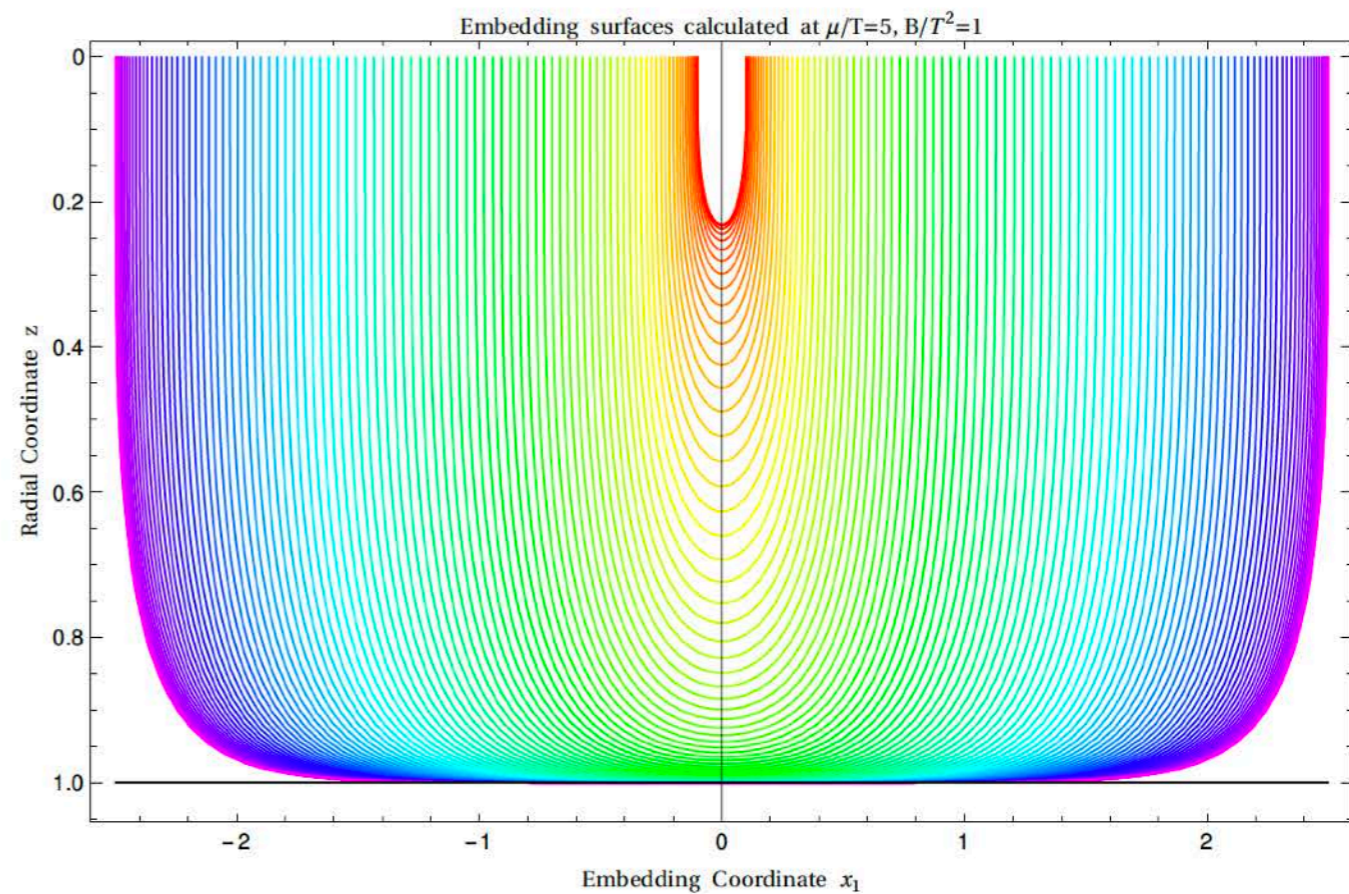
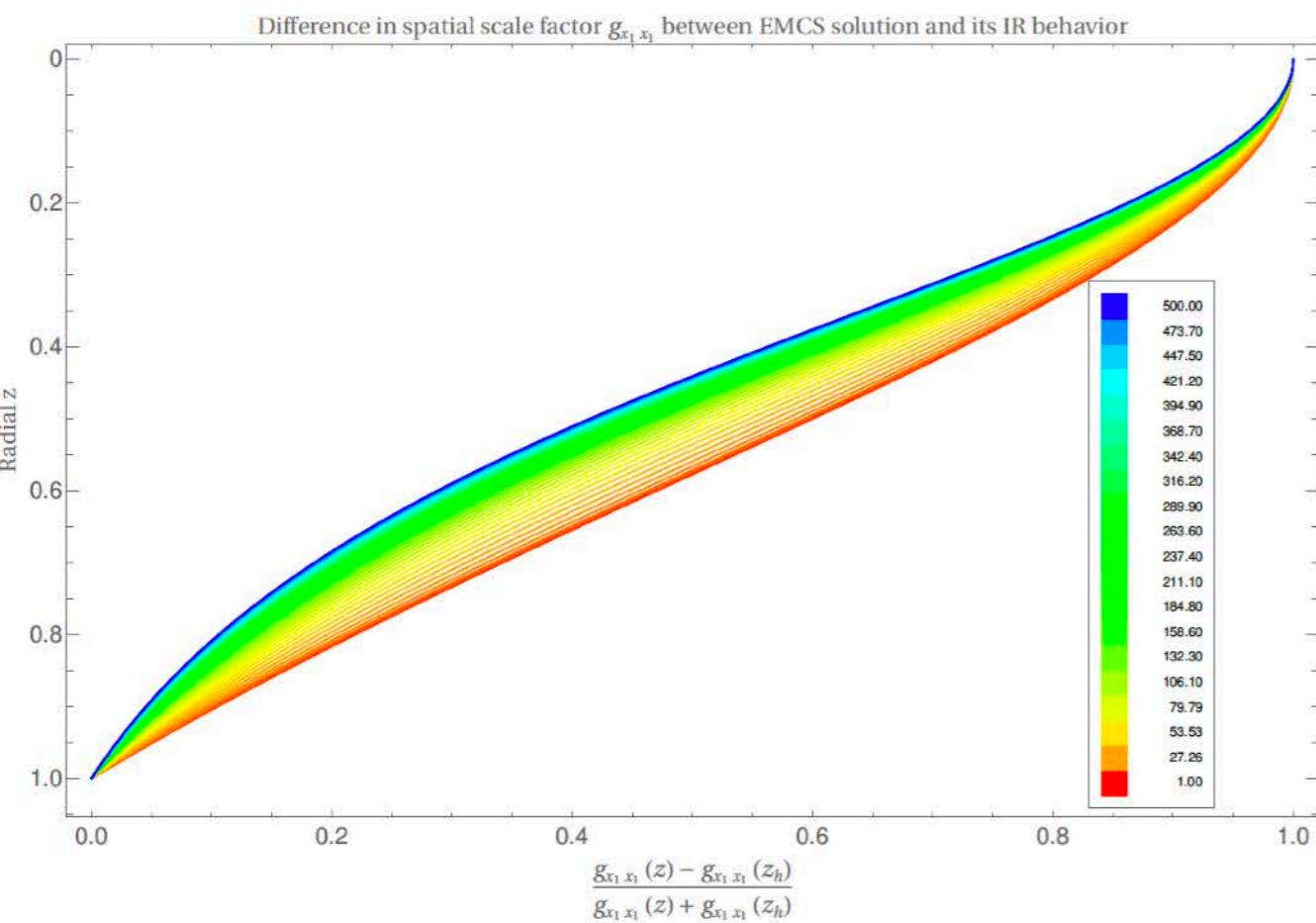
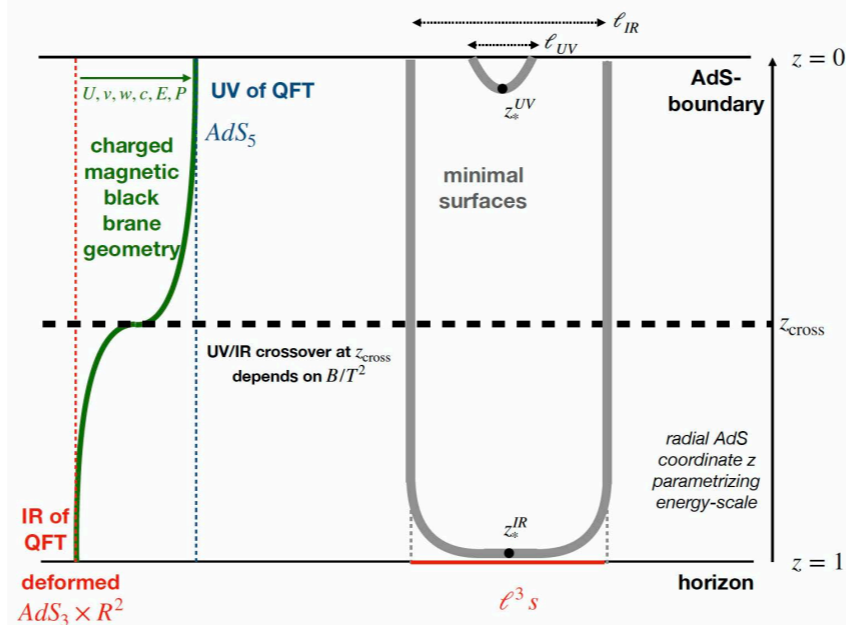
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Schematic picture: probing energy scales



Numerical data confirming schematic picture



Thermal entropy

