

Entanglement entropy: hints from the two intervals case

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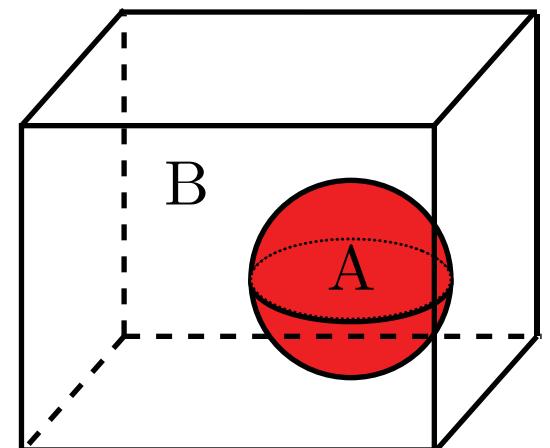
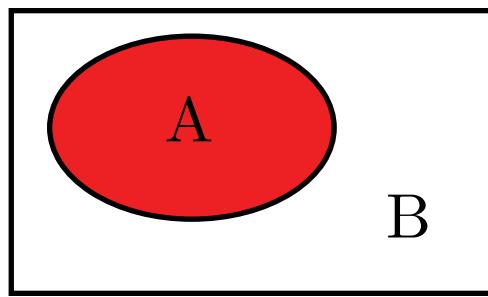
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Plan of the talk

- Introduction and definition of the entanglement entropy
- Replica trick
- Twist fields
- Entanglement entropy of one interval in CFT
- Entanglement entropy of two disjoint intervals
for the free compactified boson (Luttinger liquid)
 - Special cases and special regimes
 - Analytic continuation
 - Comparison with numerical data from XXZ spin chain
- Ising model
- Holographic entanglement entropy
- Conclusions and open problems

Entanglement entropy: definition

- Quantum system (\mathcal{H}) in the ground state $|\Psi\rangle$
Density matrix $\rho = |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| \implies \text{Tr}\rho^n = 1$
- Two observers: each one measures only a subset of a complete set of commuting observables $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$



- A 's reduced density matrix $\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B \rho$
- Entanglement entropy \equiv Von Neumann entropy of ρ_A

$$S_A = -\text{Tr}_A(\rho_A \log \rho_A)$$

It measures the amount of information shared by A and B

Replica trick

$$S_A = - \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \text{Tr} \rho_A^n$$

[Holzhey, Larsen, Wilczek, NPB (1994)]
 [Calabrese, Cardy, JSTAT (2004)]

- QFT with Hamiltonian H .

Density matrix ρ in a thermal state at temperature $T = 1/\beta$

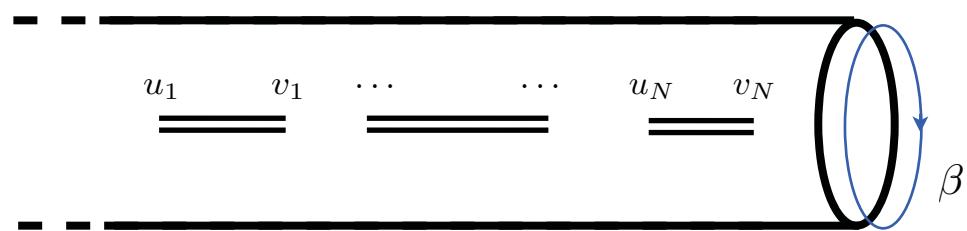
$$\begin{array}{c} \phi_x \\ \hline \hline \end{array} \quad \tau = \beta$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \phi'_{x'} \\ \hline \hline \end{array} \quad \tau = 0$$

$$\rho(\{\phi_x\} | \{\phi'_{x'}\}) = Z^{-1} \int [d\phi(y, \tau)] \prod_{x'} \delta(\phi(y, 0) - \phi'_{x'}) \prod_x \delta(\phi(y, \beta) - \phi_x) e^{-S_E}$$

$Z = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta H}$. The trace sews together the edges at $\tau = 0$ and $\tau = \beta$ providing a cylinder with circumference of length β .

- $\rho_A = \text{Tr}_B \rho$



$$A = (u_1, v_1) \cup \dots \cup (u_N, v_N)$$

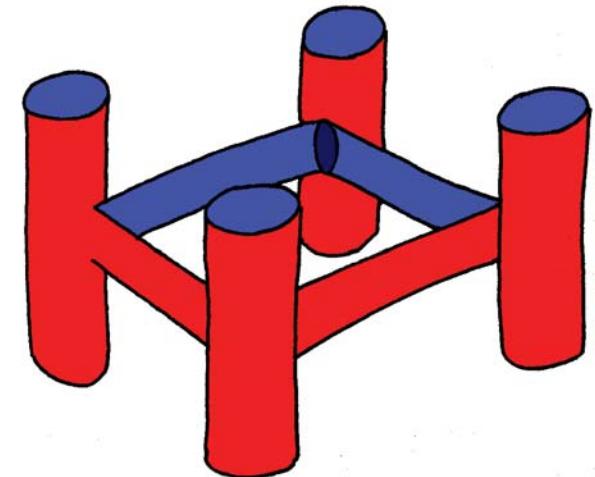
The trace Tr_B sews together only the points $\notin A$.
 Open cuts are left along the disjoint intervals (u_j, v_j) .

Replica trick and Riemann surfaces

- n copies of the cylinder above sewed together cyclically along the cuts

$$S_A = - \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \frac{Z_n(A)}{Z^n}$$

” $\rho_A^{ij} \rho_A^{jk} \rho_A^{kl} \rho_A^{li}$ ”, =



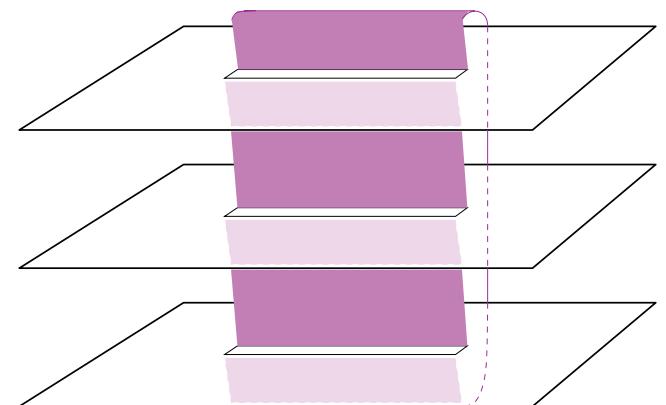
- $\text{Tr } \rho_A^n$ as a partition function on the n sheeted Riemann surface $\mathcal{R}_{n,N}$

$$Z_{\mathcal{R}_{n,N}} = \int_{\mathcal{C}_{u_j, v_j}} [d\varphi_1 \cdots d\varphi_n]_{\mathbf{C}} \exp \left[- \int_{\mathbf{C}} dz d\bar{z} (\mathcal{L}[\varphi_1](z, \bar{z}) + \dots + \mathcal{L}[\varphi_n](z, \bar{z})) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{C}_{u_j, v_j} : \quad \varphi_i(x, 0^+) = \varphi_{i+1}(x, 0^-)$$

$$x \in \bigcup_{j=1}^N [u_j, v_j] \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{3,1}$$



Twist fields



Global symmetry

$$\sigma : i \mapsto i + 1 \bmod n$$

$$\sigma^{-1} : i + 1 \mapsto i \bmod n$$

$$\int dxdy \mathcal{L}[\sigma\varphi](x,y) = \int dxdy \mathcal{L}[\varphi](x,y)$$



The twist fields implement this global symmetry

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{T}_n &\equiv \mathcal{T}_\sigma \\ \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_n &\equiv \mathcal{T}_{\sigma^{-1}}\end{aligned}$$

$$Z_{\mathcal{R}_{n,N}} = \langle \mathcal{T}_n(u_1, 0) \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_n(v_1, 0) \cdots \mathcal{T}_n(u_N, 0) \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_n(v_N, 0) \rangle_{\mathcal{L}^{(n)}, \mathbf{C}}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_n = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{T}_{n,k} \quad \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_n = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_{n,k}$$

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Boundary conditions and twist fields

- Boundary conditions:

$$\varphi_j(e^{2\pi i} z, e^{-2\pi i} \bar{z}) = \varphi_{j-1}(z, \bar{z})$$

- Linear combinations of basic fields which diagonalize the twist

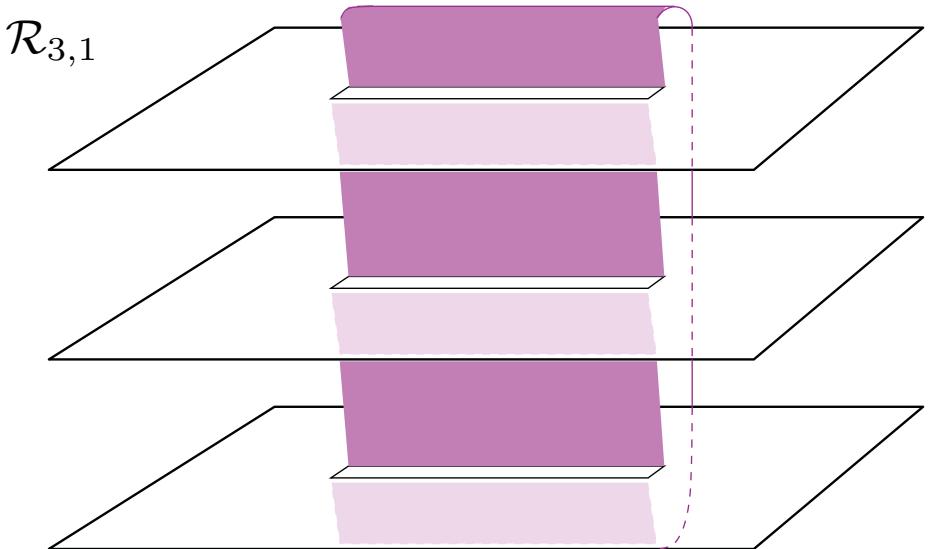
$$\tilde{\varphi}_k \equiv \sum_{j=1}^n e^{2\pi i \frac{k}{n} j} \varphi_j$$

$$k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

$$\tilde{\varphi}_k(e^{2\pi i} z, e^{-2\pi i} \bar{z}) = e^{2\pi i \frac{k}{n}} \tilde{\varphi}_k(z, \bar{z}) = \theta_k \tilde{\varphi}_k(z, \bar{z}) \quad \theta_k \equiv e^{2\pi i \frac{k}{n}}$$

- Branch-point twist field $\mathcal{T}_{n,k}$ in the origin

[Dixon, Friedan, Martinec, Shenker, NPB (1987)] [Zamolodchikov, NPB (1987)]



Entanglement of a single interval

- Two-point function of twist fields for a free complex boson φ

[Dixon, Friedan, Martinec, Shenker, NPB (1987)]

$$\langle T_{k,n}(u) \tilde{T}_{k,n}(v) \rangle \propto \frac{1}{|u-v|^{4\Delta_{k/n}}}$$

$$\Delta_{\frac{k}{n}} = \bar{\Delta}_{\frac{k}{n}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{k}{n} \left(1 - \frac{k}{n}\right)$$

- Partition function on $\mathcal{R}_{n,1}$

$$Z_{\mathcal{R}_{n,1}} = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} Z_{k,n} = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \langle T_{k,n}(u) \tilde{T}_{k,n}(v) \rangle = \frac{c_n}{|u-v|^{\frac{1}{3}(n-\frac{1}{n})}}$$

Entanglement entropy of a single interval for the free real boson

$$S_A = -\partial_n \text{Tr} \rho_A^n \Big|_{n=1} = \frac{1}{3} \log \frac{\ell}{a} + c'_1$$

$$c = 1$$

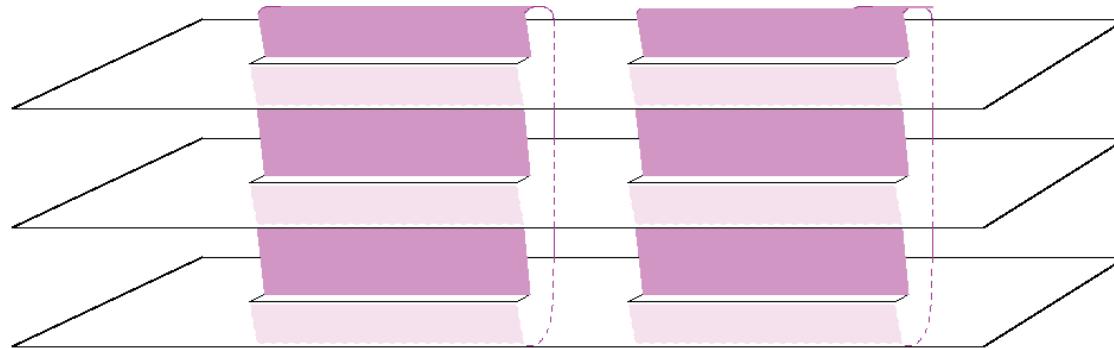
[Holzhey, Larsen, Wilczek, NPB (1994)]

Entanglement of two disjoint intervals

■ $A = A_1 \cup A_2 = [u_1, v_1] \cup [u_2, v_2] \implies \mathcal{R}_{n,2}$

[Calabrese, Cardy and E.T.; JSTAT (2009)]

e.g.: $\mathcal{R}_{3,2}$



■ Four-point function of twist fields for a free, real, compactified boson φ

$$\text{Tr} \rho_A^n \equiv Z_{\mathcal{R}_{n,2}} = c_n^2 \left(\frac{|u_1 - u_2| |v_1 - v_2|}{|u_1 - v_1| |u_2 - v_2| |u_1 - v_2| |u_2 - v_1|} \right)^{\frac{c}{6}(n-1/n)} \mathcal{F}_n(x)$$

$$x = \frac{(u_1 - v_1)(u_2 - v_2)}{(u_1 - u_2)(v_1 - v_2)}$$

$$Z_{\mathcal{R}_{n,2}}^W$$

[Calabrese, Cardy, JSTAT (2004)]

Computation of $\mathcal{F}_n(x)$ (I)

■ Compactification condition

$$\varphi_j(e^{2\pi i} z, e^{-2\pi i} \bar{z}) = \varphi_{j-1}(z, \bar{z}) + R(m_{j,1} + im_{j,2}) \quad m_j \in \mathbf{Z} + i\mathbf{Z}$$

$$\tilde{\varphi}_k(e^{2\pi i} z, e^{-2\pi i} \bar{z}) = \theta_k \tilde{\varphi}_k(z, \bar{z}) + R \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_k^j m_j \rightarrow \xi \in R\Lambda_{\frac{k}{n}} \quad \theta_k \equiv e^{2\pi i \frac{k}{n}}$$

■ Partition function on $\mathcal{R}_{n,2}$ from the four-point function of twist fields

$$Z_{\mathcal{R}_{n,2}} = \sum_{m \in \mathbf{Z}^{2n}} \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} Z_{k,n}^{\text{qu}} Z_{k,n}^{\text{cl}} \rightarrow [\text{Dixon, Friedan, Martinec, Shenker, NPB (1987)}]$$

$$\mathcal{F}_n(x) = \sum_{m \in \mathbf{Z}^{2n}} \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{\text{const}}{\beta_{k/n} [F_{k/n}(x)]^2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{2g\pi \sin(\pi \frac{k}{n})}{n} \left[|\xi_1|^2 \beta_{k/n} + \frac{|\xi_2|^2}{\beta_{k/n}} \right] \right\}$$

$$\beta_y \equiv \frac{F_y(1-x)}{F_y(x)} \quad F_y(x) \equiv {}_2F_1(y, 1-y; 1; x)$$

■ Z^{cl} does not contribute in the decompactification limit

Computation of $\mathcal{F}_n(x)$ (II)

■
$$\mathcal{F}_n(x) = \frac{\text{const}}{\prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \beta_{k/n} [F_{k/n}(x)]^2} \left[\sum_{m \in \mathbf{Z}^n} \exp \left\{ i \pi \left[m^t \cdot \Omega \cdot m + m^t \cdot \tilde{\Omega} \cdot m \right] \right\} \right]^2$$

$$\Omega_{rs} \equiv 2gR^2 \frac{i}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \sin \left(\pi \frac{k}{n} \right) \beta_{\frac{k}{n}} \cos \left[2\pi \frac{k}{n} (r-s) \right]$$
$$\tilde{\Omega}_{rs} \equiv 2gR^2 \frac{i}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \sin \left(\pi \frac{k}{n} \right) \frac{1}{\beta_{\frac{k}{n}}} \cos \left[2\pi \frac{k}{n} (r-s) \right]$$
$$r, s = 1, \dots, n$$

- Regularize the sum by eliminating the contribution of the eigenvalue generating the kernel of both Ω and $\tilde{\Omega}$ (non trivial step!)
- Riemann-Siegel theta function

$$\Theta(z|\Gamma) = \sum_{m \in \mathbf{Z}^G} \exp \left[i\pi m^t \cdot \Gamma \cdot m + 2\pi i m^t \cdot z \right]$$

$z \in \mathbb{C}^G$

- Γ is a symmetric, $G \times G$ matrix with positive imaginary part

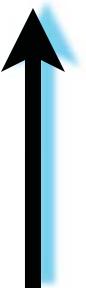
Computation of $\mathcal{F}_n(x)$: main result

$$\Gamma_{rs} \equiv \frac{2i}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sin\left(\pi \frac{k}{n}\right) \beta_{k/n} \cos\left[2\pi \frac{k}{n}(r-s)\right] \quad \tilde{\Gamma}_{rs} \equiv \frac{2i}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sin\left(\pi \frac{k}{n}\right) \frac{1}{\beta_{k/n}} \cos\left[2\pi \frac{k}{n}(r-s)\right]$$

$r, s = 1, \dots, n - 1$

$$\eta \equiv gR^2$$

$$\mathcal{F}_n(x) = \text{const} \frac{[\Theta(0|\eta\Gamma) \Theta(0|\tilde{\eta}\Gamma)]^2}{\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} F_{k/n}(x) F_{k/n}(1-x)}$$



→ $\mathcal{F}_n(x)$ is invariant under $x \leftrightarrow 1 - x$

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 n dependence

- Fix the constant s.t. $\mathcal{F}_n(0) = 1$
- Riemann-Siegel theta function manipulations
- Final result

$$\mathcal{F}_n(x) = \left[\frac{\Theta(0|\eta\Gamma) \Theta(0|\Gamma/\eta)}{\Theta(0|\Gamma)^2} \right]^2$$

→ $\mathcal{F}_n(x)$ is invariant under $\eta \leftrightarrow 1/\eta$

Special cases

- $n = 2$ [Furukawa, Pasquier, Shiraishi, PRL (2009)] [Zamolodchikov, NPB (1987)]

$$\mathcal{F}_2(x) = \left[\frac{\theta_3(\tau_{1/2}\eta)\theta_3(\tau_{1/2}/\eta)}{\theta_3^2(\tau_{1/2})} \right]^2 \quad \tau_{1/2} = i\beta_{1/2}$$

- $n = 3$
 $\Gamma = \frac{\tau_{1/3}}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \gamma = \sqrt{3} \tau_{1/3}$
- $\mathcal{F}_3(x) = \frac{1}{4[F_{1/3}(x)]^4} \left[\theta_2(\eta\gamma)^2 \theta_2\left(\frac{\eta\gamma}{3}\right)^2 + \theta_3(\eta\gamma)^2 \theta_3\left(\frac{\eta\gamma}{3}\right)^2 + \theta_4(\eta\gamma)^2 \theta_4\left(\frac{\eta\gamma}{3}\right)^2 \right]$
 $\times \left[\theta_2\left(\frac{\gamma}{\eta}\right)^2 \theta_2\left(\frac{\gamma}{3\eta}\right)^2 + \theta_3\left(\frac{\gamma}{\eta}\right)^2 \theta_3\left(\frac{\gamma}{3\eta}\right)^2 + \theta_4\left(\frac{\gamma}{\eta}\right)^2 \theta_4\left(\frac{\gamma}{3\eta}\right)^2 \right]$

■ ...

Special regimes and a generalization

- decompactification regime: large η (recall the symmetry $\eta \leftrightarrow 1/\eta$)

$$\mathcal{F}_n(x) = \frac{\eta^{n-1}}{\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} F_{k/n}(x) F_{k/n}(1-x)}$$

In this regime we can perform the analytic continuation $n \rightarrow 1$.

- $x \rightarrow 0$ regime

$$\mathcal{F}_n(x) = 1 + x^{\min(\eta, 1/\eta)} \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} \frac{2(n-l)}{\left[2n \sin\left(\pi \frac{l}{n}\right)\right]^{2\min(\eta, 1/\eta)}} + \dots$$

- ◆ different compactification radii

$$\xi_p = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \theta_k^l \left(R_1 m_{l,1}^{(p)} + i R_2 m_{l,2}^{(p)} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{F}_n(x) = \left[\frac{\Theta(0|\eta_1 \Gamma) \Theta(0|\Gamma/\eta_1)}{\Theta(0|\Gamma)^2} \right] \left[\frac{\Theta(0|\eta_2 \Gamma) \Theta(0|\Gamma/\eta_2)}{\Theta(0|\Gamma)^2} \right]$$

Analytic continuation

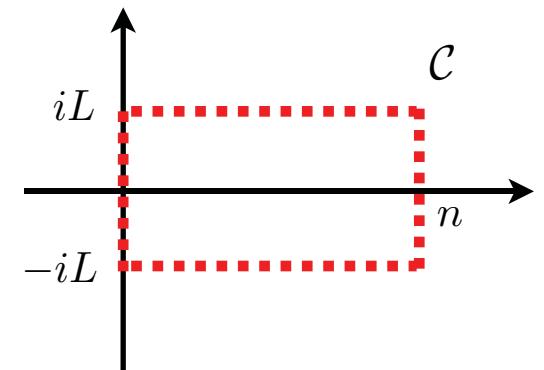
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$$\mathcal{F}_n(x) = \frac{\eta^{n-1}}{\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} F_{k/n}(x) F_{k/n}(1-x)}$$

- Useful representation:

$$D_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \log F_{k/n}(x) = \int_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \pi \cot(\pi z) \log F_{z/n}(x)$$

$$D'_1(x) \equiv -\left. \frac{\partial D_n(x)}{\partial n}\right|_{n=1} = \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \frac{dz}{i} \frac{\pi z}{\sin^2 \pi z} \log F_z(x)$$



- Mutual information

$$I_{A_1:A_2} \equiv S_{A_1} + S_{A_2} - S_{A_1 \cup A_2}$$

$$I_{A_1:A_2}(\eta \ll 1) - I_{A_1:A_2}^W \simeq -\frac{1}{2} \ln \eta + \frac{D'_1(x) + D'_1(1-x)}{2}$$

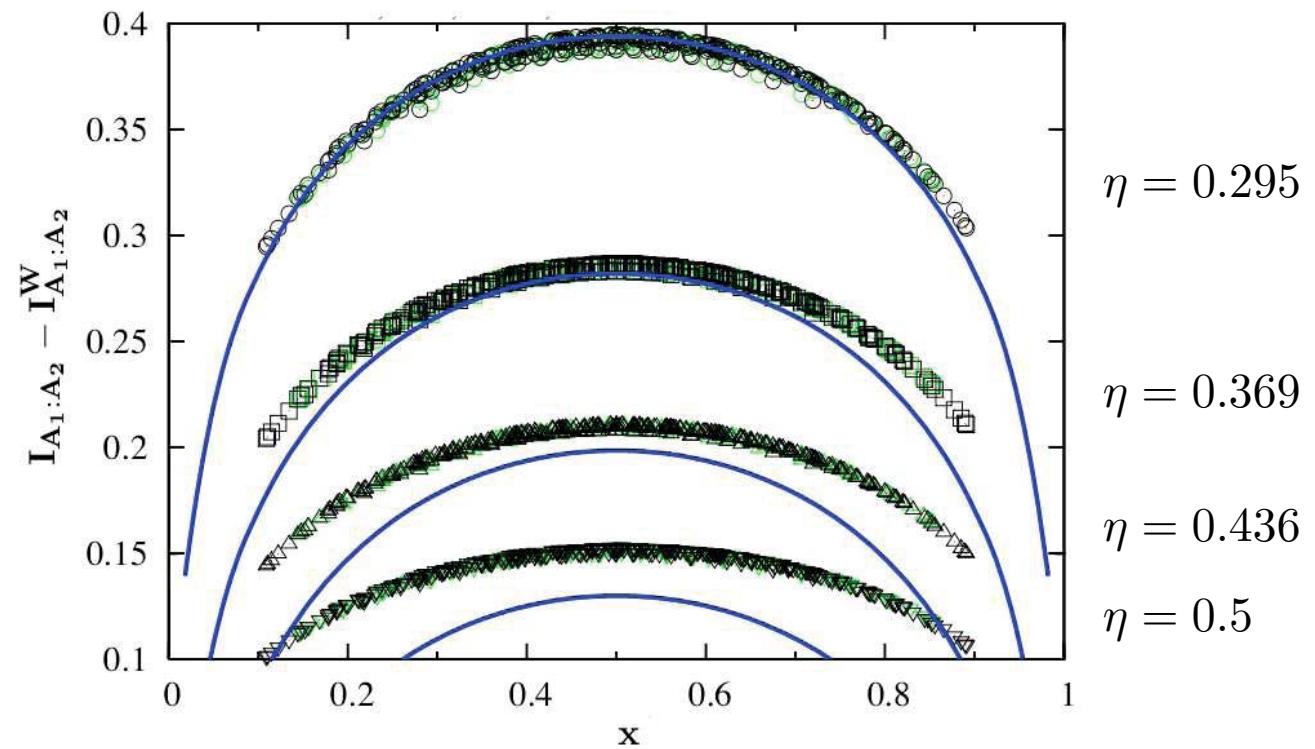
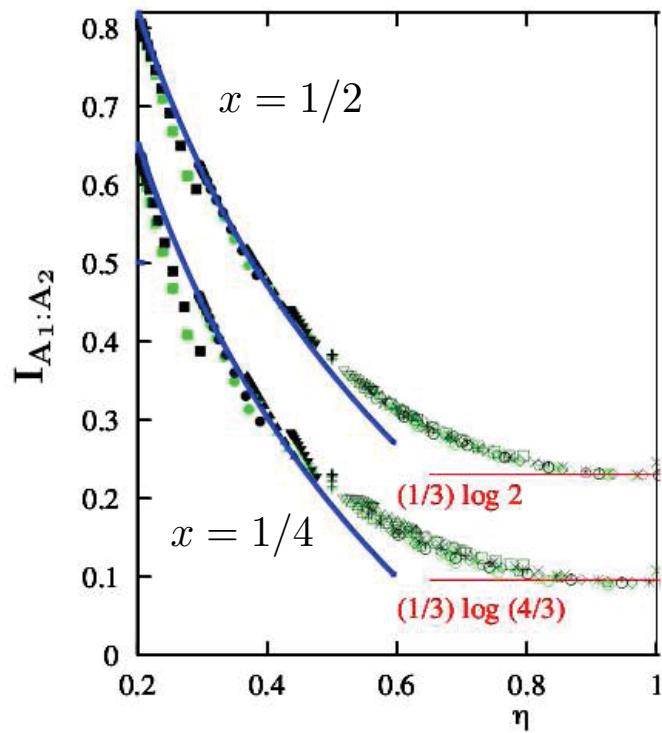
Comparison with the numerical data

- Exact diagonalization of the XXZ spin chain in a magnetic field (up to $L = 30$)

[Furukawa, Pasquier, Shiraishi, PRL (2009)]

$$H \equiv \sum_{j=1}^L (S_j^x S_{j+1}^x + S_j^y S_{j+1}^y + \Delta S_j^z S_{j+1}^z - h S_j^z)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \Delta \in (-1, 1] \\ h = 0 \end{array} \right\} \eta = 1 - \frac{1}{\pi} \arccos \Delta$$



confirms the formula

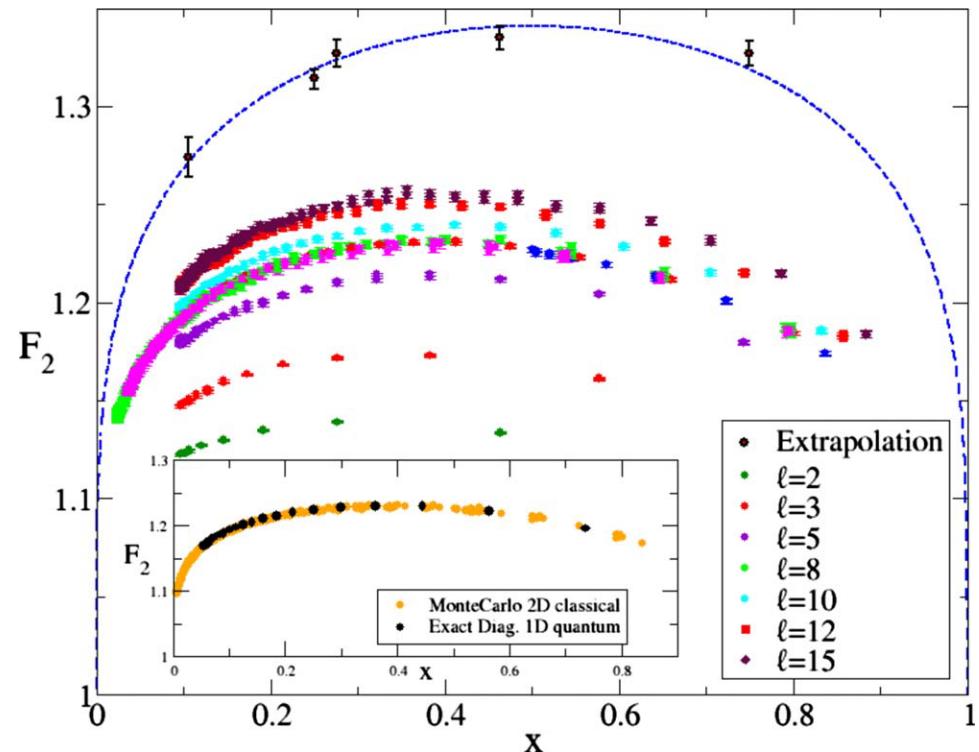
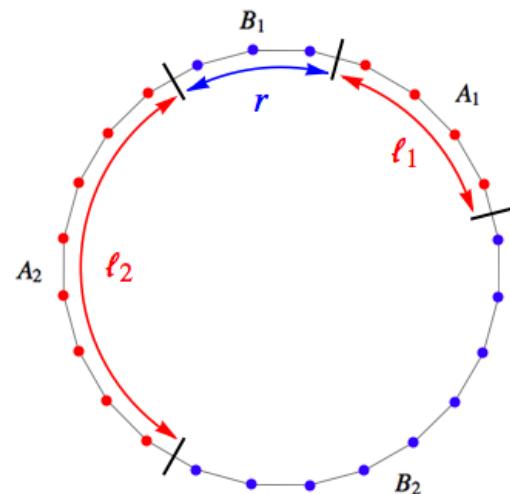
$$I_{A_1:A_2}(\eta \ll 1) - I_{A_1:A_2}^W \simeq -\frac{1}{2} \ln \eta + \frac{D'_1(x) + D'_1(1-x)}{2}$$

Ising model: 2 sheets

$$H_{XY} \equiv - \sum_{j=1}^L \left(\frac{1+\gamma}{4} \sigma_j^x \sigma_{j+1}^x + \frac{1-\gamma}{4} \sigma_j^y \sigma_{j+1}^y + \frac{h}{2} \sigma_j^z \right)$$

$$\gamma = \text{anisotropy} \quad \begin{cases} 1 & \text{Ising model} \\ 0 & \text{XX model} \end{cases}$$

h = magnetic field



[Alba, Tagliacozzo and Calabrese; PRB (2010)]

$$\mathcal{F}_2(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ \left[\frac{(1 + \sqrt{x})(1 + \sqrt{1-x})}{2} \right]^{1/2} + x^{1/4} + [x(1-x)]^{1/4} + (1-x)^{1/4} \right\}$$

Ising model

[Calabrese, Cardy and E.T.; [1011.5482]]

$$\mathcal{F}_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^{n-1} \Theta(0|\Gamma)} \sum_{\varepsilon, \delta} \left| \Theta \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \delta \end{bmatrix} (0|\Gamma) \right|$$

$$\Gamma_{rs} \equiv \frac{2i}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sin \left(\pi \frac{k}{n} \right) \beta_{k/n} \cos \left[2\pi \frac{k}{n} (r-s) \right] \quad \beta_y \equiv \frac{F_y(1-x)}{F_y(x)} \quad F_y(x) \equiv {}_2F_1(y, 1-y; 1; x) \quad r, s = 1, \dots, n-1$$

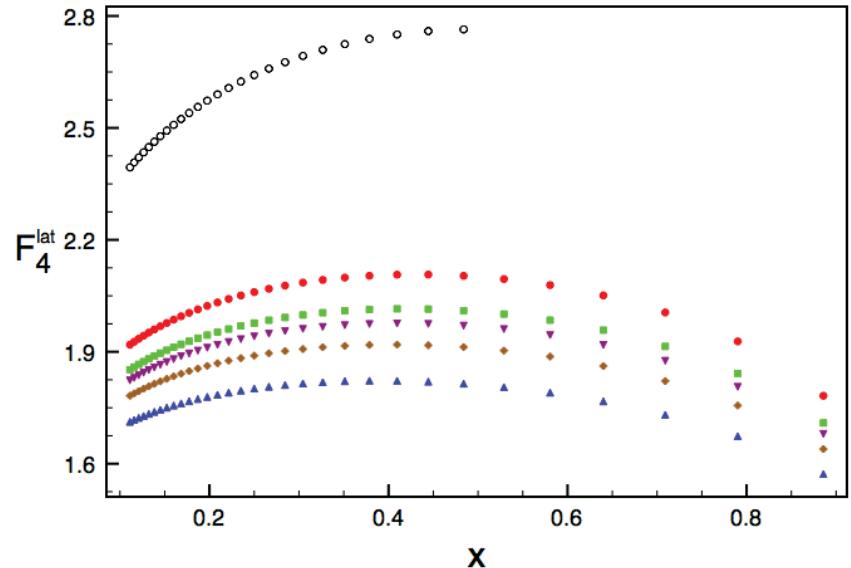
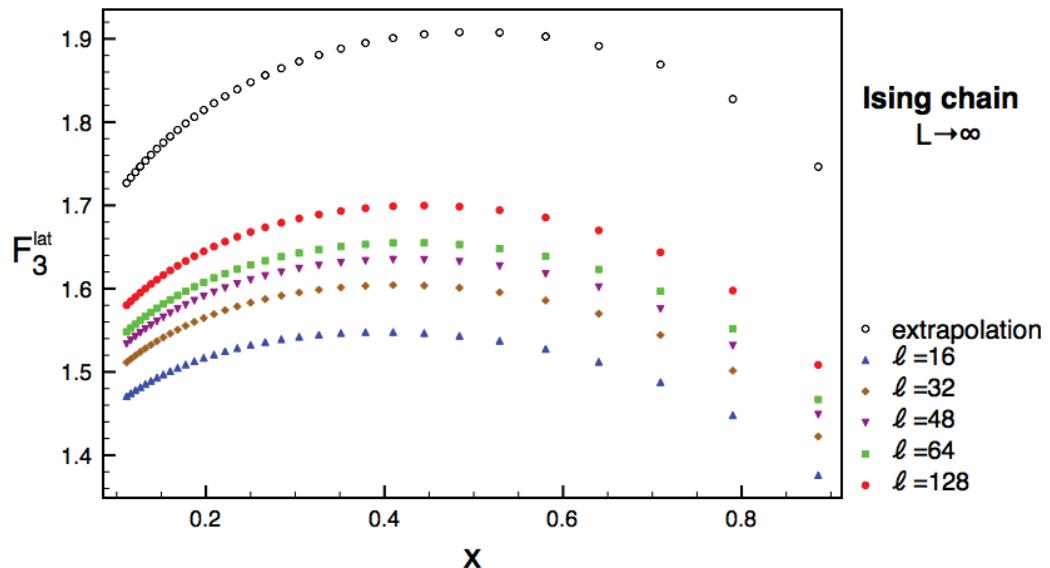
- Riemann-Siegel theta function with characteristic

$$\Theta \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \delta \end{bmatrix} (z|\Gamma) \equiv \sum_{m \in \mathbf{Z}^G} \exp \left[i\pi (m + \varepsilon)^t \cdot \Gamma \cdot (m + \varepsilon) + 2\pi i (m + \varepsilon)^t \cdot (z + \delta) \right]$$

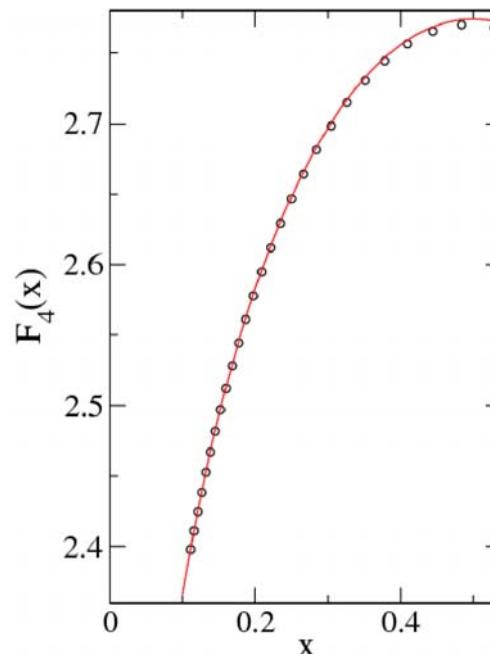
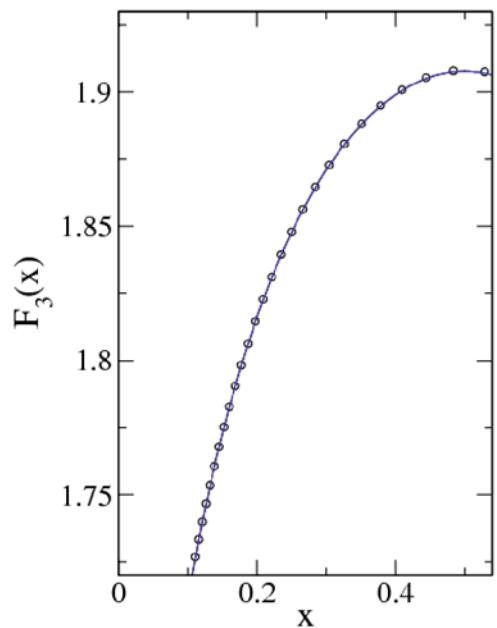
- ε and δ are vectors with $n-1$ elements which are either 0 or $1/2$
- $\mathcal{F}_n(x)$ is invariant under $x \leftrightarrow 1-x$

Ising model: 3,4, ... sheets

[Fagotti, Calabrese; JSTAT (2010)]



[Calabrese, Cardy and E.T.; [1011.5482]]



Holographic entanglement entropy

AdS_{d+2}/CFT_{d+1} correspondence

[Ryu, Takayanagi, PRL (2006), JHEP (2006)]

■ Prescription: in regularized AdS_{d+2}

- Find the *minimal area* surface γ_A s.t. $\partial\gamma_A = \partial A$



$$S_A = \frac{\text{Area}(\gamma_A)}{4G_N^{(d+2)}}$$

■ $d = 1$ formula $S_A = (c/3) \log(l/a)$

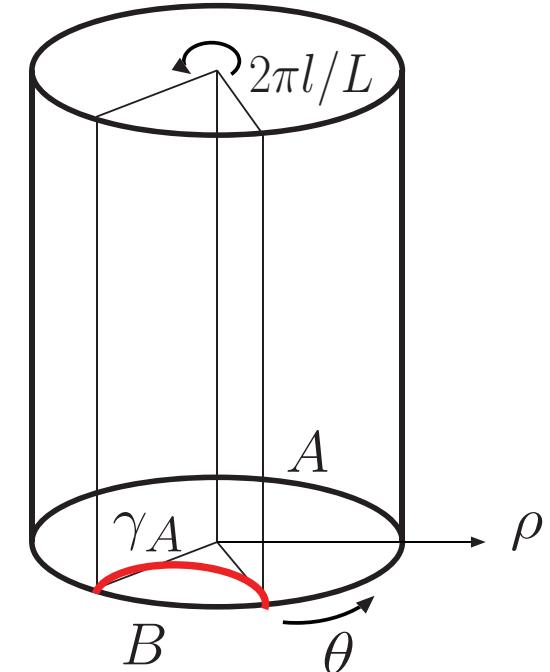
and the area law

[Bombelli, Koul, Lee, Sorkin, PRD (1986)]

[Srednicki, PRL (1993)]

$$S_A \propto \frac{\text{Area}(\partial A)}{a^{d-1}}$$

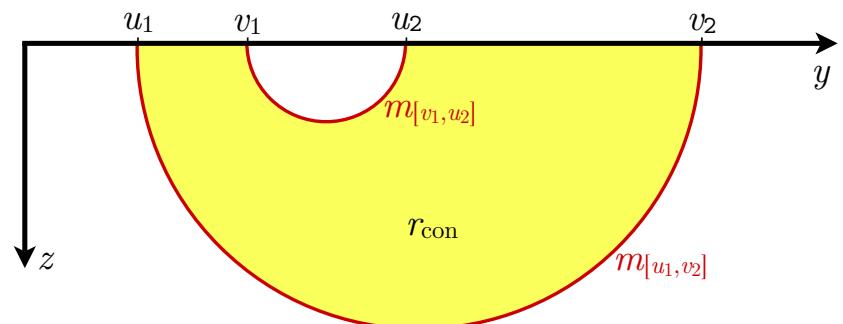
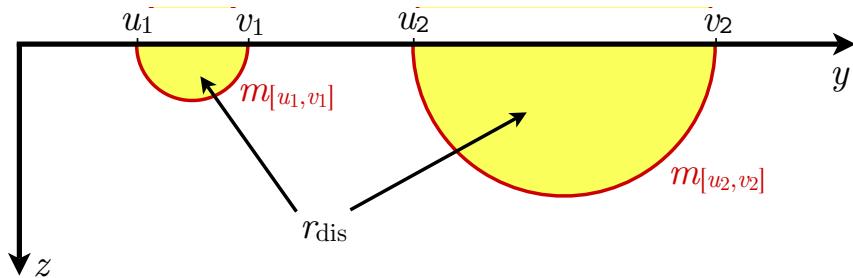
are recovered.



Transition in the holographic mutual information

- The holographic prescription predicts a transition for the mutual information

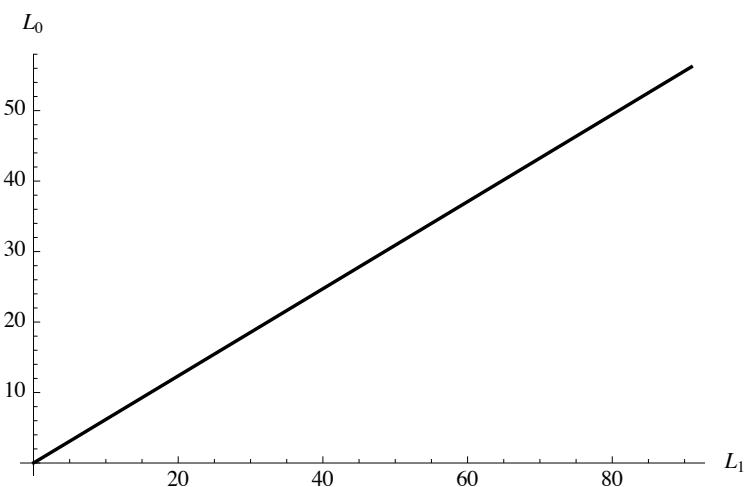
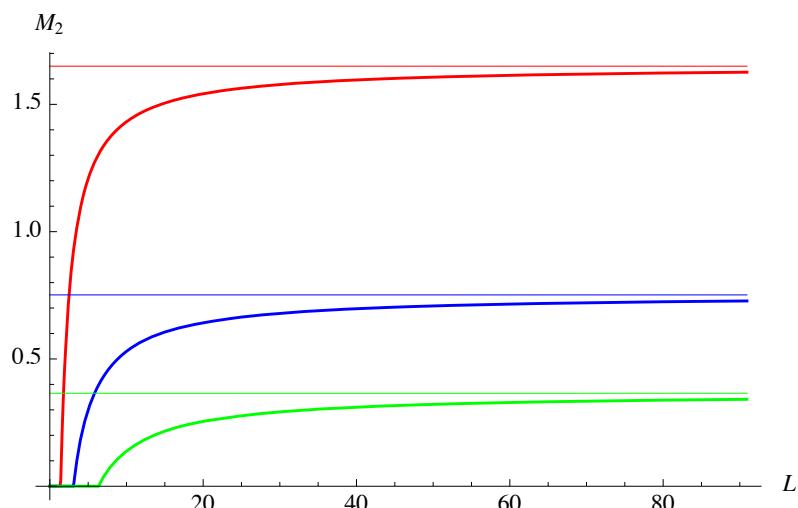
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- AdS_{d+2}

$$S_d(L_1, L_2; L_0) \equiv \min \left[\underbrace{\tilde{A}_d(L_1) + \tilde{A}_d(L_2)}_{\text{disconnected surface}}; \underbrace{\tilde{A}_d(L_0) + \tilde{A}_d(L_1 + L_0 + L_2)}_{\text{connected surface}} \right]$$

[E.T.; [1011.0166]]



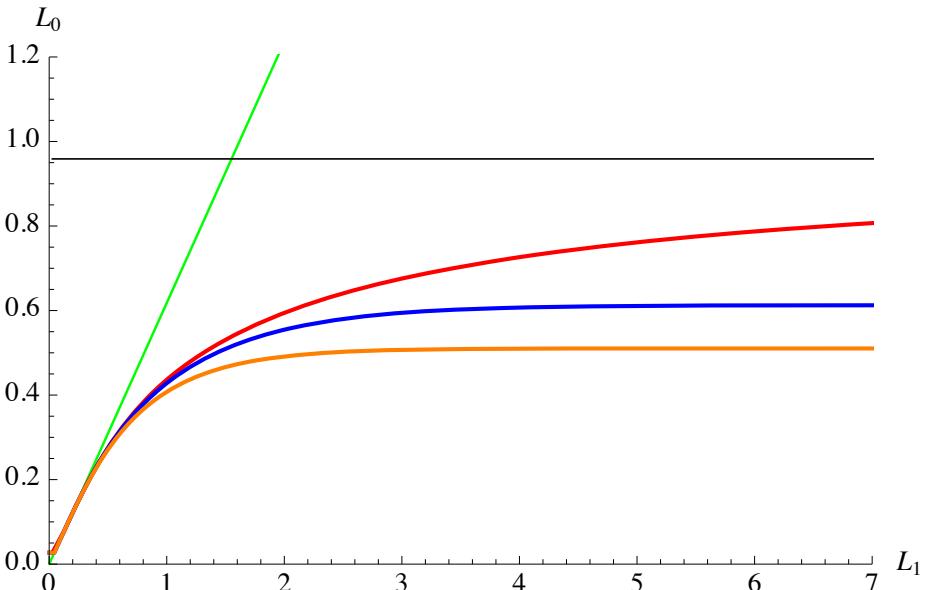
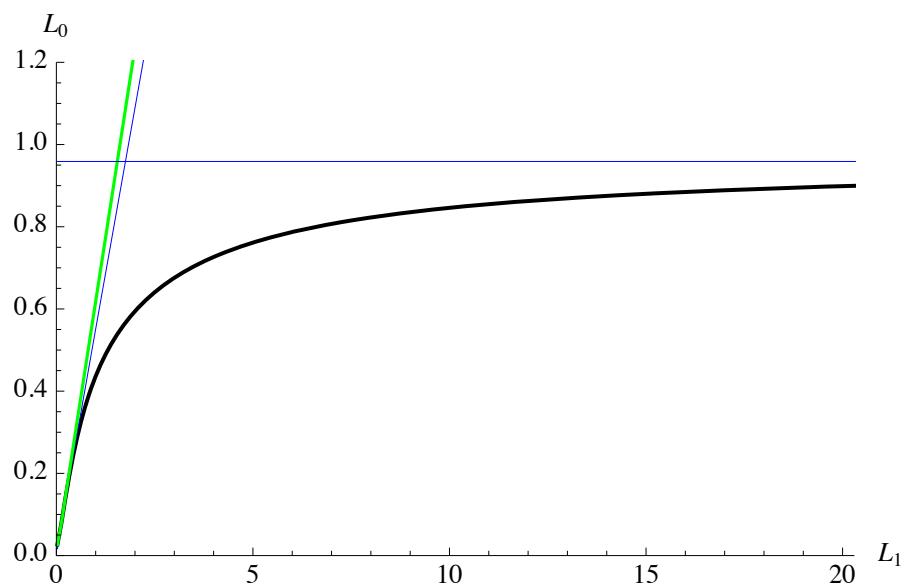
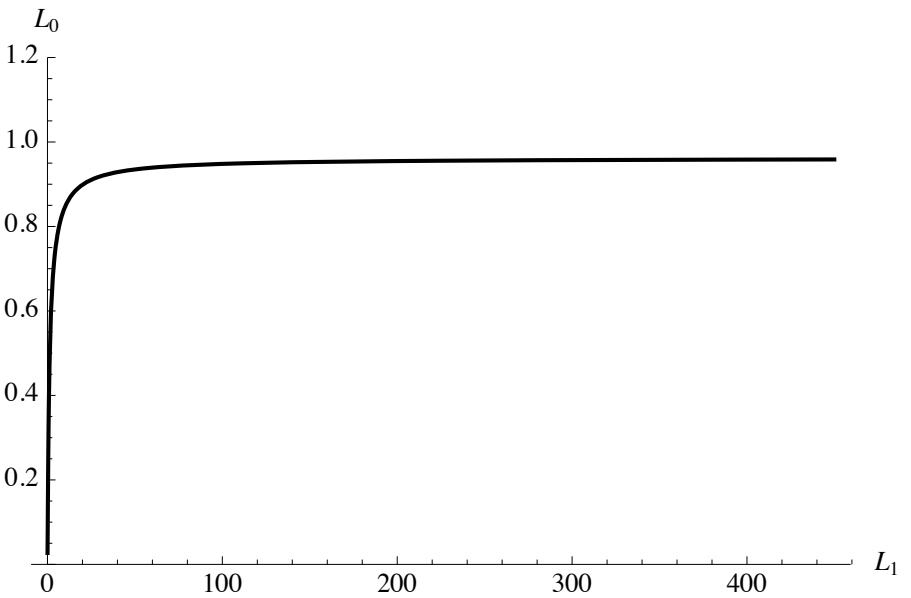
Holographic mutual information: charged black hole



$$\frac{ds^2}{R^2} = \frac{-fdt^2 + d\vec{x}^2}{z^2} + \frac{dz^2}{fz^2}$$

$$f = 1 + Q^2 \left(\frac{z}{R^2} \right)^{2d} - M \left(\frac{z}{R^2} \right)^{d+1}$$

- Transition curve for the mutual information when $L_1 = L_2$



About the N interval case

- The following form is expected:

$$\text{Tr } \rho_A^n = c_n^N \left(\frac{\prod_{j < k} (u_k - u_j)(v_k - v_j)}{\prod_{j,k} (v_k - u_j)} \right)^{(c/6)(n-1/n)}$$

$Z_{\mathcal{R}_{n,N}}^W$

[Calabrese, Cardy, JSTAT (2004)]

$\{x\}$ is the set of $2N - 3$ independent ratios.

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- Holographic prescription provides $Z_{\mathcal{R}_{n,N}}^W$.

Conclusions and open issues

Free compactified boson

- Two disjoint intervals: formula for $\text{Tr} \rho_A^n$ found for all the parameters of the model (n , η and x).
- Mutual information in the decompactification regime (checked against numerical data from the XXZ spin chain)

Ising model

- Two disjoint intervals: formula for $\text{Tr} \rho_A^n$

- Analytical continuation for $n \rightarrow 1$ of $\mathcal{F}_n(x)$
⇒ Mutual information for any value of the parameters
- Presence of boundaries
- Generalization to $N > 2$ intervals
- Holographic computation of $I_{A_1:A_2}$

Thank you!