

Toward traversable stable semiclassical asymptotically flat wormholes

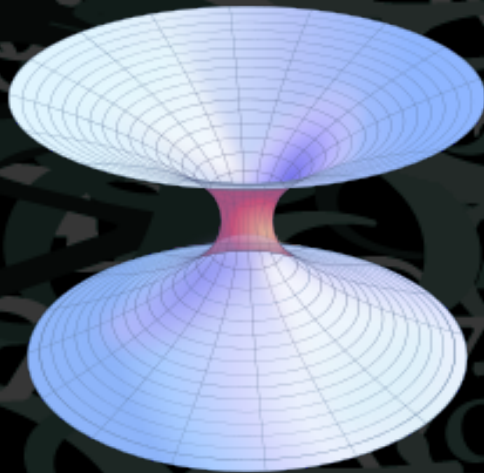
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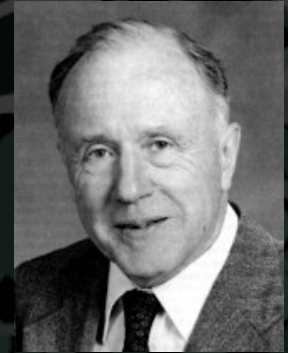
Wormholes

- In principle easy to build – but we need to violate energy conditions
- Spherical wormhole (WH) in (3+1)d:

$$ds^2 \sim -Fdt^2 + Gdr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$



No horizon, no
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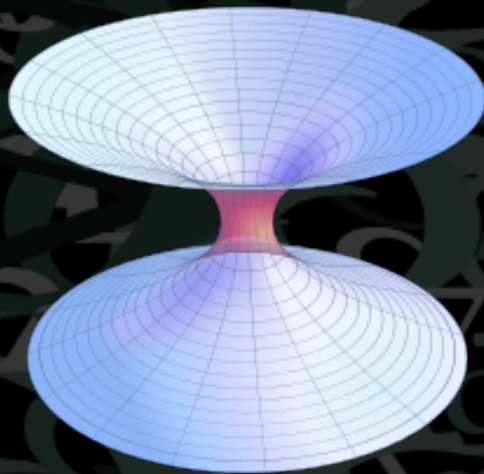
John Wheeler



Kip Thorne

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- Answered in Maldacena, Milekhin & Popov 2018 [1807.04726] in flat space, by Maldacena et al, Horowitz et al, Freivogel et al in AdS space
- Challenge 2: WH should be reasonably stable, possible to build from ordinary matter, and energetically and thermodynamically preferred to BH

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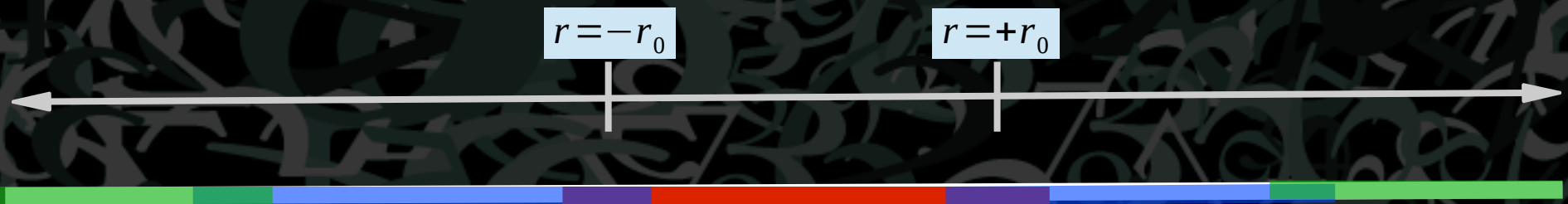
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- BH-like: throat, intermediate region (like neutral or charged BH), outer region (becomes flat)



Strategy: match the expansions in the overlapping regions

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- BH-like:

throat region:

$$|r - r_0| \ll r_0$$

$$ds^2 \sim -dt^2(1+r^2) + \frac{dr^2}{1+r^2}$$

AdS-like

intermediate region:

$$|r - r_0| \sim r_0$$

$$ds^2 \sim -f dt^2 + dr^2/f + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

BH-like: $f \sim 4\pi T(r - r_0) + O(\hbar)$

outer region:

$$|r - r_0| \gg r_0$$

$$ds^2 \sim -dt^2 + dx^2$$

flat

Scalar field WH solution

- We know classical minimally coupled scalar obeys NEC
- What about a perturbation coming from infinity?

- One-loop correction of the stress-energy: $T_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} + \epsilon \langle T_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} \rangle$

$$\langle T_{\mu\nu}^{(1)}(x) \rangle = \lim_{x' \rightarrow x} \partial_{x'_\mu} \partial_{x'_\nu} \delta G(x, x') - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} \left(\partial_{x'_\rho} \partial_{x'_\sigma} \delta G(x, x') - m^2 \delta G(x, x') \right)$$

- Metric perturbation from Schwarzschild BH:

$$g_{tt} = f(r) + \epsilon \gamma_1(r), \quad g_{rr} = \frac{1}{f(r) + \epsilon \gamma_1(r)}, \quad g_{\varphi\varphi} = g_{\theta\theta} \sin^2 \theta = r^2 (1 + \epsilon \gamma_2(r)) \sin^2 \theta$$

- Perturbation eqs:

$$r \gamma_2' - \gamma_2 - 8\pi(1+r^2) \langle T_{rr}^{(1)} \rangle = 0$$

$$\gamma_1'' + (1+r^2) \gamma_2'' + 2r \gamma_2' + 4\gamma_2 - 16\pi \langle T_{\theta\theta}^{(1)} \rangle = 0$$

Traversable WH solution

- Solution: $\gamma_2(r) = 8\pi r \int dr' \frac{1+r'^2}{r'^2} \langle T_{rr}(r') \rangle$
- Analytical expression for $G(x, y)$ and Bessel function identities yield the condition for traversable WH from matching at $r - r_0 \sim r_0$:

$$\gamma_2(r \rightarrow r_0) = C \times (r - r_0)^2 + \dots, \quad C > 0$$

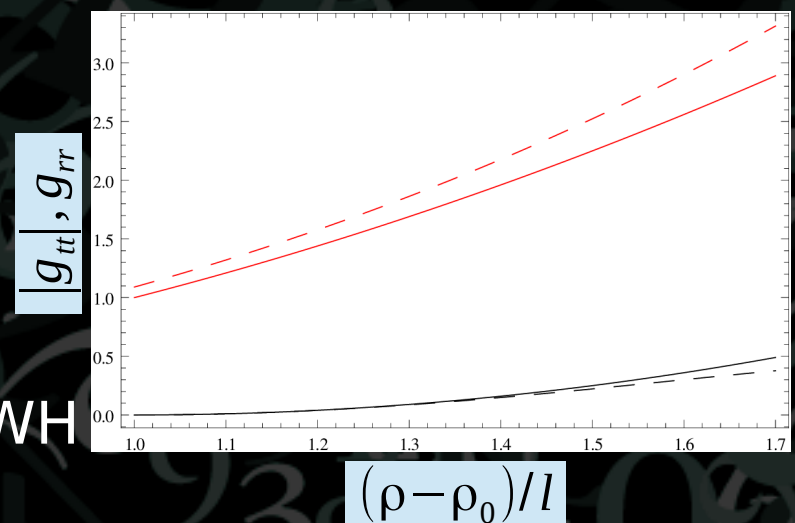
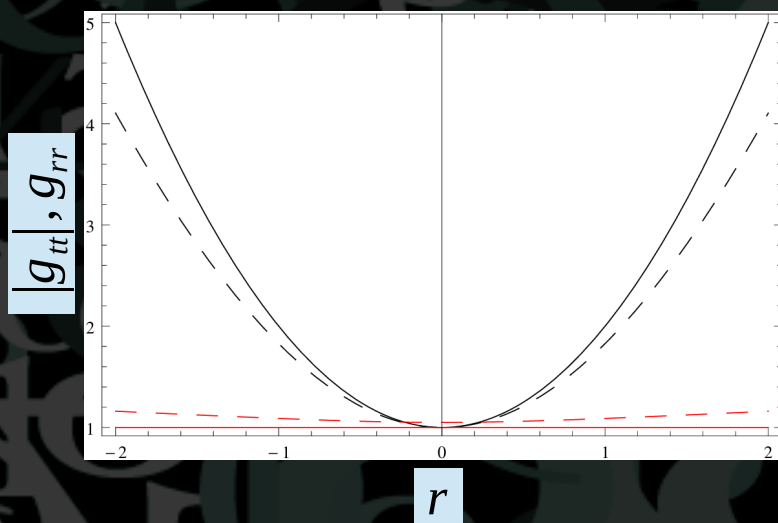
- Impossible without nonlocal coupling!

Fermionic perturbation

- Dirac fermion ψ : $T_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} + \epsilon \langle T_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} \rangle$ – loop correction only
- Solve the Dirac equation by matching the throat region and the intermediate region [1302.5149]

- In the throat: $\psi(t, r, \theta, \varphi) = \sum_{\omega} \sum_j \chi_{\omega l}(r) e^{i l \varphi}$

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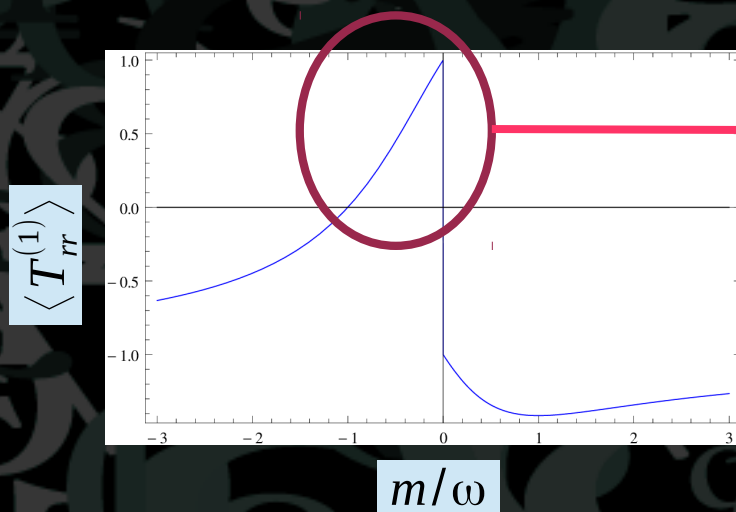


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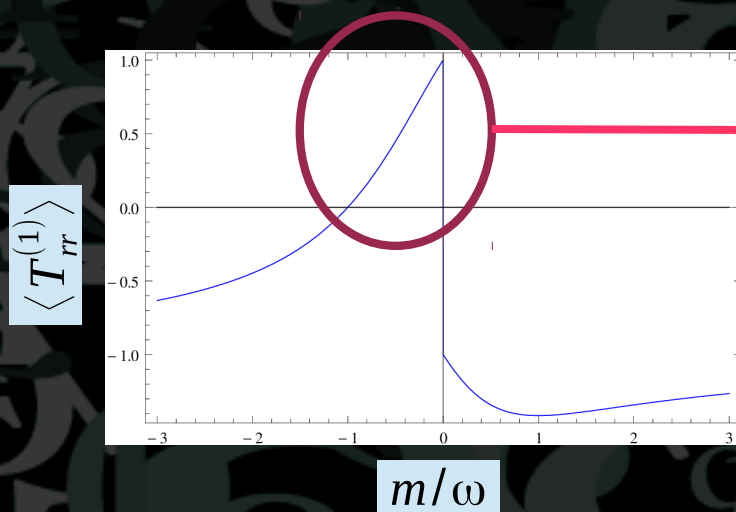
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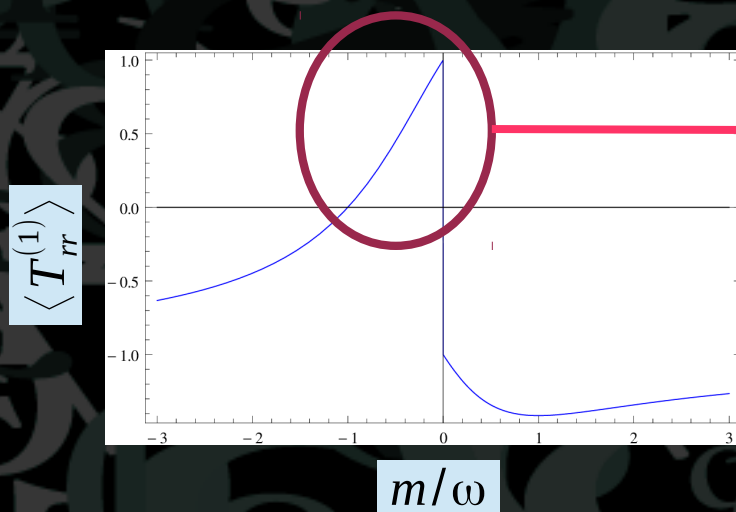
Need to introduce a chemical potential to renormalize the Dirac sea of negative energies

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For $m=0$ no issue, this is the case from Maldacena, Milekhin and Popov 2018

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Pair-creation

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open string

Pair of BHs

WH – traversable?

- Semiclassically: Nambu-Goto action S_{NG} vs. two BH action S_{2BH} vs. WH action S_{WH}

$$S_{NG} = \frac{1}{\pi \alpha'} \int d\tau \int d\sigma \sqrt{-\det \gamma}$$

$$S_{2BH} = -2m \int d\tau \sqrt{-g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} \dot{x}^\mu \dot{x}^\nu}$$

BH pair ~ pair of particles

$$S_{WH} = -m \int d\tau \sqrt{-g_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} \dot{x}^\mu \dot{x}^\nu}$$

Single WH

Pair-creation

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- Semiclassically: Nambu-Goto action S_{NG} vs. two BH action S_{2BH} vs. WH action S_{WH}
- Important difference from semiclassical matter: now the spacetime topology can change dynamically
- Not eternal WH but dynamically generated WH
- Makes sense to ask questions about thermodynamics

Mechanical equilibrium

- The BH horizons coincide at creation (scenario long known, eg Thorne, Letelier) so there is a WH
- But: BHs accelerate away from each other $\Rightarrow$ WH more and more fragile
- Seek an equilibrium solution @ fixed throat length:

$$L = \sqrt{F(r(t)) - G(r(t)) \dot{r}^2}$$

- Effective potential: $V(r) = \frac{F}{G} \left[\left(m/S_{NG} \right)^2 - 1 \right]$

- Equilibrium condition: $V'(r_0) = 0$

- Ansatz for the metric:

$$g_{tt} = f(r) + \epsilon \gamma_1(r) P_l(\cos \theta), \quad g_{rr} = \frac{1}{f(r)} + \epsilon \gamma_2(r) P_l(\cos \theta)$$

WH solution

- Einstein equations horrible but analytically solvable through hypergeometric functions

- WH throat develops if $1/\alpha' \ll 1/r_0^2$

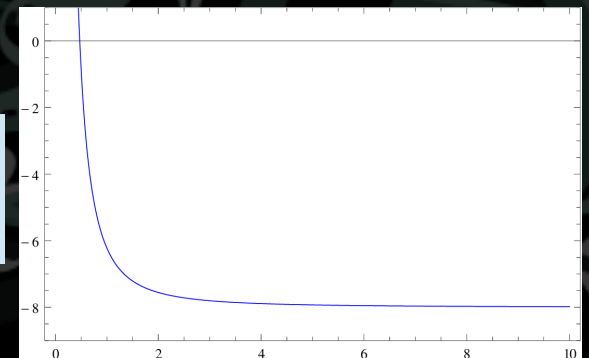
Always satisfied for a semiclassical string

- Acceleration small if

$$|V''(r)| \lesssim 1/r_0^2$$

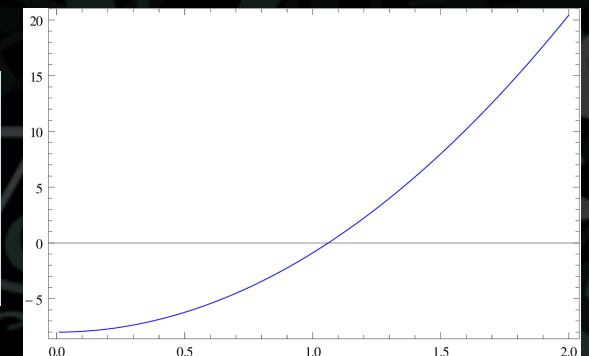
- Again always true as long as $S_{NG} \ll 1/l_P$

$$\langle T_{rr} \rangle$$



$$1/\alpha'$$

$$\delta V''(r)$$



$$S_{NG}$$

Thermodynamic equilibrium

- BH entropy from Hawking-Bekenstein: $S_{2BH} = 2 \times A/4 = \pi r_0^2/2$

- WH entropy: $S_{WH} = E_{\text{gap}}/T = (r_0/d)/a$

- Magnetic WH (Maldacena et al 2018): $a = 1/2 \pi d$

$$S_{WH} = 2 \pi r_0 \rightarrow S_{2BH}/S_{WH} \sim r_0 \gg 1$$

- For a stringy WH acceleration suppressed by r_0^2 :

$$a = V''(r_0) r_0^2 \sim d/r_0^2 \longrightarrow S_{WH} = E_{\text{gap}}/T = r_0^3/d^2 \gg S_{BH} = \pi r_0^2/2$$

- Now WH both mechanically and thermodynamically stable but the price to pay is high: going for strings

Entropy production

What is the physical interpretation?

Making a WH from BH produces entropy:

$$S_{WH} = E_{\text{gap}}/T = r_0^3/d^2 \gg S_{BH} = \pi r_0^2/2$$

$$S_{WH} - S_{BH} > 0$$

Entropy counts degrees of freedom.

Where do the extra degrees of freedom come from?

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KS entropy

- Natural measure of complexity, far ahead of its time (late 1950s)

$$h = \sum_{\lambda_i > 0} \lambda_i$$

KS entropy is the sum of positive Lyapunov exponents



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Ring string in WH background

- Polyakov action:

$$S = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int d\tau d\sigma \left(\eta_{ab} G_{\mu\nu} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X^\nu + \epsilon_{ab} B_{\mu\nu} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X^\nu \right)$$

- Same gauge, same Virasoro constraints:

- Ansatz: ring configuration $T(\tau), R(\tau), \Phi_1(\tau); \Phi_2(\sigma) = n\sigma$

- Integral of motion:

$$E = \dot{T} f(R) = \text{const.}$$

moves freely in
radius and latitude

wrapped along
longitude

- Effective Hamiltonian:

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \frac{f(R)}{2} P_R^2 + \frac{1}{2R^2} P_\Phi^2 + \frac{E^2}{2f(R)} + n^2 R^2 \sin^2 \Phi$$

Lyapunov exponents and KS entropy

- Variational equations yield Lyapunov exponents:

$$\ddot{\delta R} - fR(\dot{\Phi}^2 - \sin^2 \Phi) - \frac{\dot{f}}{2f}(\dot{R}^2 - E^2) = 0$$

$$\ddot{\delta \Phi} + 2\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\dot{\Phi} + \frac{n^2}{2}\sin(2\Phi) = 0$$

- Outcome at order ϵ :

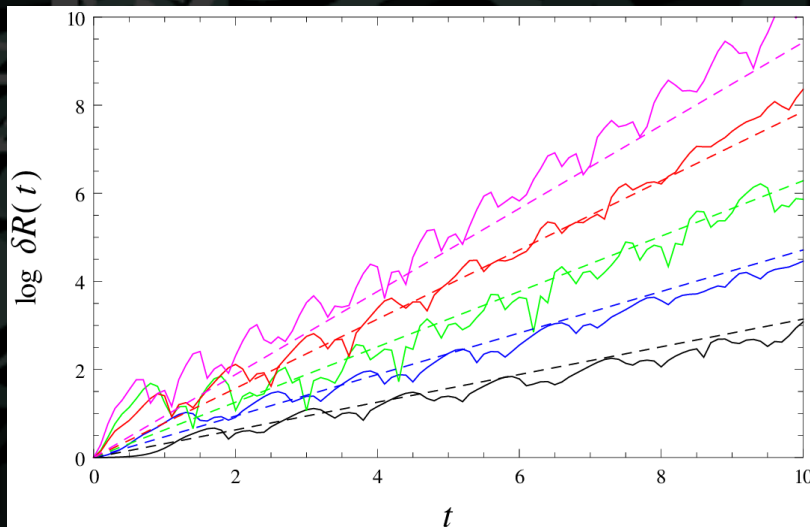
$$\lambda_R = \frac{r_0 - d}{r_0^2 d V''} - \pi r_0^2 / 2, \quad \lambda_\Phi = \frac{1}{r_0^2 V''}$$



$$h = \lambda_R + \lambda_\Phi = \frac{r_0}{da} - \frac{\pi r_0^2}{2} = S_{WH} - S_{BH}$$

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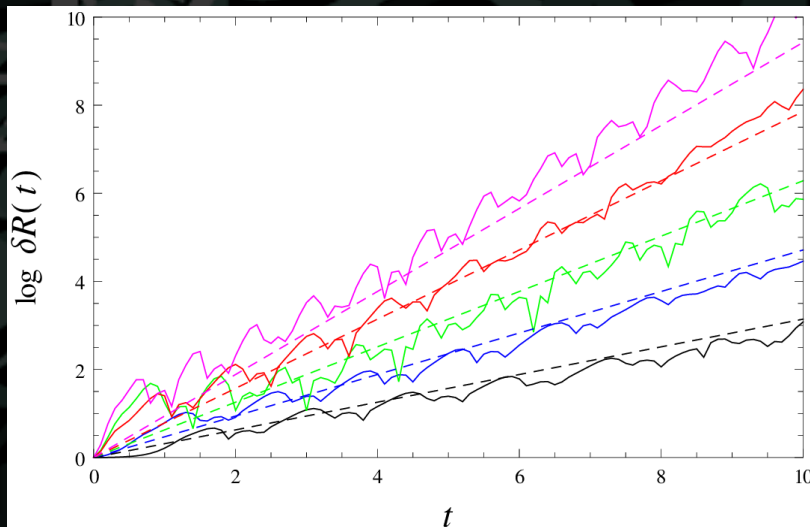
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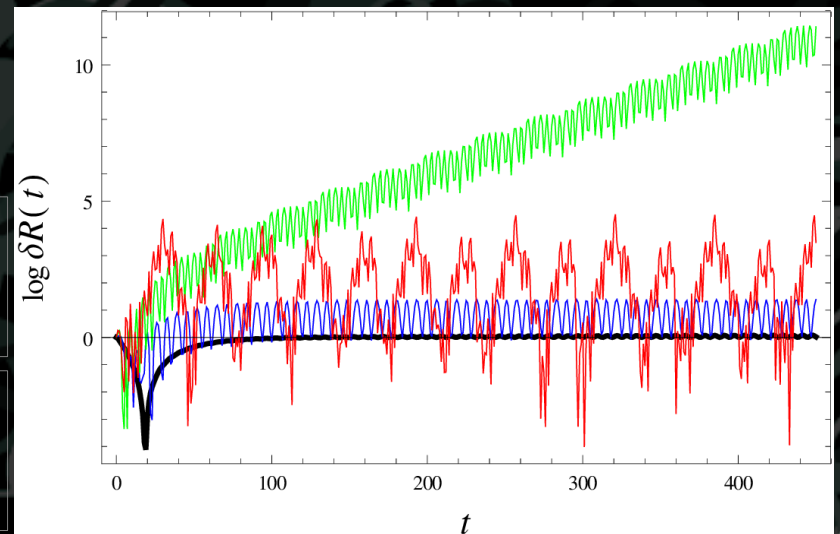
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Black, blue: KS entropy for unstable WH ($S_{WH} - S_{BH} < 0$): $h=0$

Red, green: KS entropy for the marginal case $S_{WH} = S_{BH}$

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- Gauge $h_{ab} = \eta_{ab}$ $\Rightarrow$ Virasoro constraints:

$$\eta_{ab} G_{\mu\nu} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X^\nu = 0, \quad \epsilon_{ab} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X^\nu = 0$$

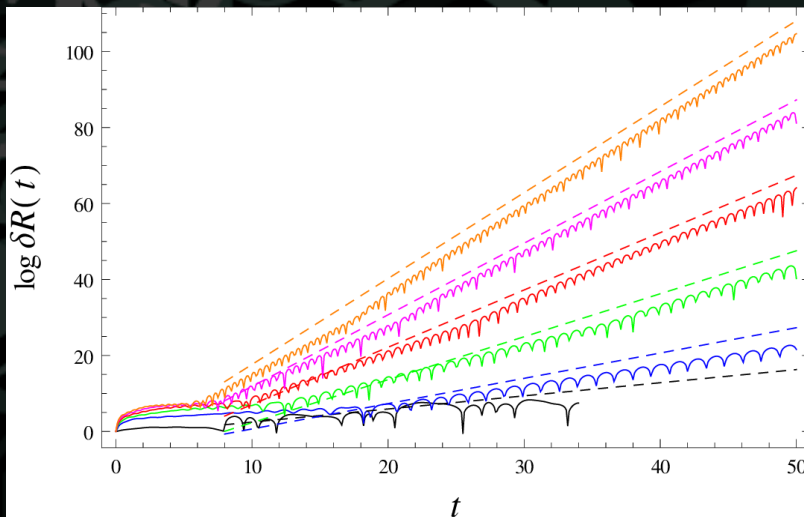
- Ansatz: string hangs from infinity to infinity through WH

$$T(\tau), R(\tau), \Phi_1 = \text{const.}; \Phi_2 = \text{const.}$$

- Fluctuations $\in \Phi_1(\tau, \sigma), \Phi_2(\tau, \sigma)$
- No integrals of motion survive

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- Analytically at leading order likewise:

$$\lambda_R = \frac{2 - \pi}{r_0 dV''} - \frac{\pi r_0^2}{4}, \quad \lambda_\Phi = \frac{\pi}{r_0 dV''} - \frac{\pi r_0^2}{4}, \quad h = S_{WH} - S_{BH}$$

Instead of a conclusion



- Almost all reviews & textbooks: no connection between KS entropy and thermodynamic entropy
- Exception: Lorentz gas and similar systems (Gaspard et al, van Beijeren et al 1980s)
- Applicable here? Relation to BH microstates?