

Holographic Phases of Rényi Entropies

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The Rényi entropies are defined as

$$S_n = \frac{1}{1-n} \log \text{Tr} [\rho_A^n]$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{if analytic}} S_A = \lim_{n \rightarrow 1} S_n$$

But is S_n analytic in n ?

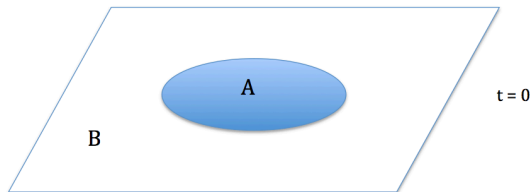
Setup

Large N CFT_d in $|0\rangle$
with scalar operator \mathcal{O}_Δ

$\overset{DUAL}{\rightleftarrows}$

Einstein-Scalar in AdS_{d+1}

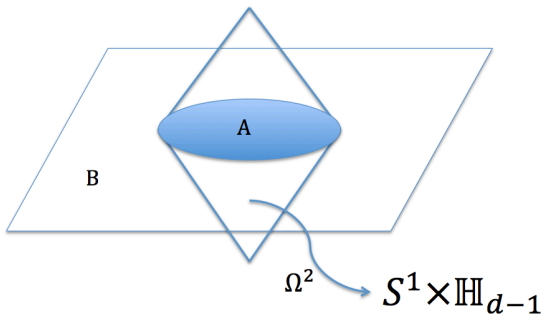
$$m_\phi^2 \ell^2 = \Delta(\Delta - d)$$



$$\rho_A = e^{-2\pi H_E}$$

\Rightarrow **Thermal state** on $S^1 \times \mathbb{H}_{d-1}$ with $T_0 = 1/2\pi$.

$$S_A = S_{thermal}(\mathbb{H}_{d-1})$$



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$T \rightarrow 0$, near horizon geometry is $AdS_2 \times \mathbb{H}_{d-1}$. If

$$BF_{AdS_{d+1}} < m_{\text{eff}}^2 \ell_{AdS_{d+1}}^2 < BF_{AdS_2}$$

Scalar condenses \rightarrow 2nd order phase trans. \rightarrow hairy black hole

$\partial_T S(T)$ is discontinuous $\Rightarrow \partial_n^2 S_n$ is discontinuous
at some $n = n_c$

$\Rightarrow S_n$ is NOT analytic in n .

Analytical estimate using near horizon arguments. If

$$\frac{d}{2} - 1 < \Delta < \frac{d + \sqrt{d}}{2}$$

→ non-analyticity at $n = n_c$.

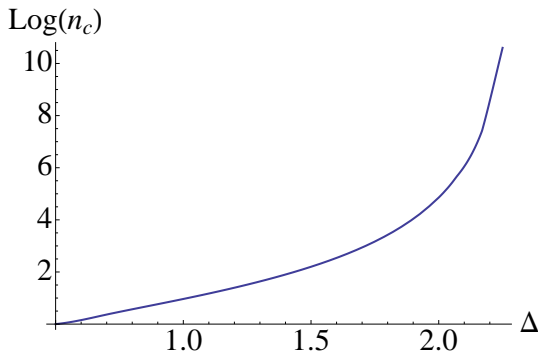


Figure: $d = 3$

Conclusion and future challenges

- We have found simple examples of non-analyticities in S_n for large N CFTs. This addresses possible subtleties in the use of the replica trick.
- It would be interesting to reproduce similar results from the field theory directly.

Thank you!