

# Conformal gravity holography in four dimensions

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- the CG analog to Schwarzschild - MKR (Mannheim-Kanas-Riegert) solution - doesn't obey Starobinsky boundary conditions
- CG allows a Rindler-term D. Grumiller, 2011
- purpose: define set of boundary conditions weaker than Starobinsky ones that allow MKR solution and solutions with a condensate of partially massless gravitons.

- CG depends on Lorentz angles but not on distances
- $\Rightarrow$  it is invariant under local Weyl rescalings of the metric

$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\omega} g_{\mu\nu} \quad (1)$$

- the bulk action is

$$I_{\text{CG}} = \alpha_{\text{CG}} \int d^4x \sqrt{|g|} g_{\alpha\mu} g^{\beta\nu} g^{\gamma\lambda} g^{\delta\tau} C^\alpha{}_{\beta\gamma\delta} C^\mu{}_{\nu\lambda\tau} \quad (2)$$

- EOM require vanishing of Bach tensor:

$$\left( \nabla^\delta \nabla_\gamma + \frac{1}{2} R^\delta{}_\gamma \right) C^\gamma{}_{\alpha\delta\beta} = 0 \quad (3)$$

- simple classes of solutions to the EOM:
  - conformally flat metrics ( $C^\gamma{}_{\alpha\delta\beta} = 0$ )
  - Einstein metrics ( $R_{\alpha\beta} \propto g_{\alpha\beta}$ )

- solutions of EG belong to more general set of solutions of CG
- The most general spherically symmetric solution of CG

$$ds^2 = -K(r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{K(r)} + r^2 d\Omega_{S^2}^2 \quad (4)$$

$$K(r) = \sqrt{1 - 12aM} - \frac{2M}{r} - \Lambda r^2 + 2ar \quad (5)$$

- $a = 0$  this reduces to Schwarzschild-(A)dS

- introduce  $\ell$ , in EG  $\Lambda = 3\sigma/\ell^2$ ,  $\sigma = -1$  for AdS and  $\sigma = 1$  for dS
- asymptotic expansion in  $0 < \rho \ll \ell$  leads to line element  $\Rightarrow$

$$ds^2 = \frac{\ell^2}{\rho^2} \left( -\sigma d\rho^2 + \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j \right) \quad (6)$$

- partially fixed gauge, use of Gaussian coordinates.
- close to  $\rho = 0$

$$\gamma_{ij} = \gamma_{ij}^{(0)} + \frac{\rho}{\ell} \gamma_{ij}^{(1)} + \frac{\rho^2}{\ell^2} \gamma_{ij}^{(2)} + \frac{\rho^3}{\ell^3} \gamma_{ij}^{(3)} + \dots \quad (7)$$

- $\gamma_{ij}^{(0)}$  is invertible,  $\gamma_{ij}^{(n)} = \gamma_{ij}^{(n)}(x^i)$

- specification of boundary conditions

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \text{leading terms} & \text{first order terms} \\
 \delta\gamma_{ij}^{(0)}|_{\partial\mathcal{M}} = 2\lambda\gamma_{ij}^{(0)} & \delta\gamma_{ij}^{(1)}|_{\partial\mathcal{M}} = \lambda\gamma_{ij}^{(1)}
 \end{array} \tag{8}$$

- $\lambda$  - regular function on the boundary
- $\delta\gamma_{ij}^{(n)}|_{\partial\mathcal{M}} \neq 0$  for  $n \geq 2$  - are allowed to vary freely
- inclusion of  $\gamma_{ij}^{(1)}$  - vanishes by EG EOM
- Bach tensor=0 doesn't give such conditions

## Consistency of the boundary conditions

- checked by: considering on-shell action and the variational principle
- general expectations: GHY and holographic counterterms  $\Rightarrow$  desired boundary value problem

However, full action is the bulk action!

- on-shell action for our metric remains finite
- free-energy from the on-shell action leads to consistent thermodynamics
- the entropy derived in this way is the same as the entropy derived using Wald's Noether charge technique
- simplest possibility - added boundary terms are zero



⇒ Consistency of the variational principle and the finiteness of the holographic response functions

- Rewrite action:

$$\Gamma_{\text{CG}} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^4x \sqrt{|g|} \left( 2 R^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{2}{3} R^2 \right) + 32\pi^2 \chi(\mathcal{M}) + \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} d^3x \sqrt{|\gamma|} \left( -8\sigma \mathcal{G}^{ij} K_{ij} + \frac{4}{3} K^3 - 4 K K^{ij} K_{ij} + \frac{8}{3} K^{ij} K_j{}^k K_{ki} \right) \quad (9)$$

- With action separated into a topological part - the Euler characteristic  $\chi(\mathcal{M})$ , and a Ricci-squared action
- $K_{ij} = -\frac{\sigma}{2} \mathcal{L}_n \gamma_{ij}$ ,

## First variation of the action

The first variation of the rewritten action is



$$\delta\Gamma_{\text{CG}} = \text{EOM} + \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} d^3x \sqrt{|\gamma|} (\pi^{ij} \delta\gamma_{ij} + \Pi^{ij} \delta K_{ij}) . \quad (10)$$

- boundary metric and extrinsic curvature vary independently
- Consistency of variational principle
  - for  $\rho_c \leq \rho$  using EOM  $\Rightarrow$

$$\delta\Gamma_{\text{CG}}|_{\text{EOM}} = \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} d^3x \sqrt{|\gamma^{(0)}|} (\tau^{ij} \delta\gamma_{ij}^{(0)} + P^{ij} \delta\gamma_{ij}^{(1)}) . \quad (11)$$

- tensors  $\tau^{ij}$  and  $P^{ij}$  are finite as  $\rho_c \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$  first variation of the action vanishes on-shell when the boundary conditions are satisfied
- $\tau^{ij}$  and  $P^{ij}$  - holographic response functions conjugate to the sources  $\gamma_{ij}^{(0)}$  and  $\gamma_{ij}^{(1)}$

## Response functions $\tau^{ij}$ and $P^{ij}$

- $\tau^{ij} \propto$  to the usual Brown-York stress tensor.
- $P^{ij}$  - "Partially massless response"
- the term  $\gamma_{ij}^{(1)}$  plugged the linearized CG EOM around (A)dS background exhibits partial masslessness
- Response functions satisfy the trace conditions

$$\gamma_{ij}^{(0)} \tau^{ij} + \frac{1}{2} \psi_{ij}^{(1)} P^{ij} = 0 \quad \gamma_{ij}^{(0)} P^{ij} = 0, \quad (12)$$

- For Starobinsky boundary conditions the  $\tau^{ij}$  is traceless while in general only  $P^{ij}$  is traceless
- Summary of the section: Proposed boundary conditions are consistent and lead to well-defined variational principle for the CG action, i.e. 0- and 1- point functions are finite.

- Currents

$$J^i = (2\tau^i_j + 2P^{ik}\gamma_{kj}^{(1)})\xi^j, \quad (13)$$

$w/\sigma = -1$  (AdS) case and on constant time surface  $\mathcal{C}$  in  $\partial\mathcal{M}$  give

$$Q[\xi] = \int_{\mathcal{C}} d^2x \sqrt{h} u_i J^i \quad (14)$$

- $u^i$  future pointing normal vector,  $J^i$  modified stress energy tensor

S. Hollands, A. Ishibashi and D. Marlof, 2005

- Charges generate asymptotic symmetries

$$\mathcal{D}_i(2\tau^{ij} + 2P^i_k \gamma^{(1)kj}) = P^{ik} \mathcal{D}^j \gamma_{ik}^{(1)} \quad (15)$$

- difference in charges on  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$  that bound a region  $\mathcal{V} \subset \partial\mathcal{M}$  vanishes

$$\Delta Q[\xi] = \int_{\mathcal{V}} d^3x \sqrt{|\gamma^{(0)}|} \left( \tau^{ij} \mathcal{L}_\xi \gamma_{ij}^{(0)} + P^{ij} \mathcal{L}_\xi \gamma_{ij}^{(1)} \right), \quad (16)$$

- $\Rightarrow$  charges are conserved

Legendre transformation  $\Rightarrow$  exchanges the role of the PMR and its source

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_{\text{CG}} = \Gamma_{\text{CG}} + 8 \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} d^3x \sqrt{|\gamma|} K^{ij} E_{ij}. \quad (17)$$

$$\delta\tilde{\Gamma}_{\text{CG}} = \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} d^3x \sqrt{|\gamma|} (\tilde{\tau}^{ij} \delta\gamma_{ij}^{(0)} + \tilde{P}^{ij} \delta E_{ij}^{(2)}) \quad (18)$$

Vanishing trace  $\tau_i^i = 0$

- CG holography in four dimensions
- MKR solutions and other solutions with an asymptotic Rindler term are viable



Thank you for the attention!

# Examples

## 1. Special case with Starobinsky boundary conditions

- $\gamma_{ij}^{(1)} = 0$
- included: Einstein gravity with a cosmological constant
- EOM demand  $\Rightarrow E_{ij}^{(2)} = 0 \Rightarrow P^{ij} = 0$

$$\tau_{ij} = \frac{4\sigma}{\ell} E_{ij}^{(3)}. \quad (19)$$

- $\Rightarrow$  traceless and conserved stress tensor of Einstein gravity which agrees with J. M. Maldacena, 2011



## 2. MKR solution

$$a_M = (1 - \sqrt{1 - 12aM})/6 \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma &= -1 \\ p^i_j &= \text{diag}(1, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})^i_j \\ m &= M/\ell^2 \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau^i_j &= -8 \frac{m}{\ell^2} p^i_j + 8 \frac{a a_M}{\ell^2} \text{diag}(1, -1, -1)^i_j \\ P^i_j &= 8 \frac{a_M}{\ell^2} p^i_j \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

- $a = 0 \Rightarrow$  Einstein case
- $a \neq 0 \Rightarrow \tau^i_j \propto a^2$  and  $P^{ij} \propto a \Rightarrow$  interpretation: partially massless graviton condensate

## Conserved charge

$$Q[\partial_t] = m - a a_M \quad (22)$$

with  $\alpha_{\text{CG}} = \frac{1}{64\pi}$

- Wald entropy:  $S = A_h/(4\ell^2)$  with  $A_h = 4\pi r_h^2$ ,  $K(r_h) = 0$
- Area law obeyed!

### 3. Rotating black hole solutions in AdS

- parameters:  $\mu$  - Rindler acceleration,  $\tilde{a}$  - rotation parameter, mass=0  
H.-S. Liu and H. Lu, 2013
- mass=0  $\Rightarrow P^{ij} = 0$
- Nonvanishing  $\gamma_{ij}^{(1)}$  is necessary but not sufficient for a non-vanishing  $P_{ij}$
- $\tau_{ij}$ 
  - $\Rightarrow$  conserved energy  $E = -\tilde{a}^2 \mu / [\ell^2 (1 - \tilde{a}^2 / \ell^2)^2]$
  - $\Rightarrow$  conserved angular momentum  $J = E \ell^2 / \tilde{a}$

# Motivation

