

Computing Logarithmic Corrections for Extremal Black Holes

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Introduction

- Black Holes in a quantum theory of gravitation are expected to have entropy.

$$S_{BH} = \frac{A}{4G_N}$$

- This formula is obtained in two approximations:
 - Low energy,
 - **Semi-classical.**
- A complete theory of quantum gravity will encode corrections to this formula.
- We will focus on a quantum correction of the form

$$\delta S \simeq \ln \frac{A}{4G_N}$$

Why Log Corrections?

- The Area Law is a **powerful constraint on quantum gravity**.
- A **universal result** which any microscopic interpretation must reproduce.
- **Question**: Can we sharpen this constraint?
- In particular, compute quantum corrections to S_{BH} from low-energy physics?
- **We will do this for extremal Black Holes.**
 - The quantum answer is explicitly known from string theory.
 - More generally, compute quantum entropy by AdS/CFT.
 - **Make new predictions!**

Quantum Entropy Function

- A new proposal for the quantum entropy of extremal black holes: **Quantum Entropy Function**. [Sen]
- Exploits the fact that NHG of an extremal black hole is *always* $AdS_2 \otimes M$.
- Consider the string theory path integral over all configurations that asymptote to the black hole NHG.
- This path integral is divergent because the radial coordinate η of AdS_2 stretches out to infinity.

$$\mathcal{Z}_{AdS_2}^{\text{string}} \simeq e^{C \cdot L + \mathcal{O}(L^{-1})} \mathcal{Z}_{\text{finite}}, \quad L \simeq e^{\eta_0}.$$

- Then the proposal is that

$$d(Q, P) = \mathcal{Z}_{\text{finite}}$$

- $\mathcal{Z}_{\text{finite}}$ is known as the **Quantum Entropy Function (QEF)**.

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- We evaluate $\mathcal{Z}_{\text{finite}}$ in a saddle–point approximation.
- One saddle–point of the QEF is the near–horizon geometry of the black hole itself.
- Evaluating $\mathcal{Z}_{\text{finite}}$ at this saddle–point produces

$$S_{BH} = \ln d(Q, P) = \ln \mathcal{Z}_{\text{finite}} = \frac{A}{4}$$

- Which is the Bekenstein–Hawking formula.
- How do we reproduce the Log term?

$$\delta S \simeq \ln \frac{A}{4G_N}$$

- We do a loop expansion about this saddle–point.

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- Naively, this sounds prohibitive! Infinite number of fields, what order in loop expansion?
- It turns out that **the log terms are simple to reproduce!**
- The only contribution to the log term comes from
 - **massless fields** of supergravity,
 - **only one-loop fluctuations**,
 - Two derivative sector of the action is sufficient.
- The log term is therefore a **quantum counterpart** of the leading Bekenstein–Hawking answer!
 - It is determined purely from low-energy physics of the black hole
 - It places a strong constraint on any candidate quantum description of black holes.
- Any candidate quantum gravity theory must produce the Bekenstein–Hawking answer, and the log correction.

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It turns out that the log term computed in this way matches perfectly with the string theory answer.

Theory	Macroscopic	Microscopic	Match
$\mathcal{N} = 4$	0	0	✓
$\mathcal{N} = 8$	-4	-4	✓
$\mathcal{N} = 2$	$(2 - \frac{\chi}{24})$!!	✓(!!)

χ : Euler character of the CY_3 on which 10-d ST is compactified.

A Puzzle

The string theory answer for $d(Q, P)$ takes the form

$$d(Q, P) \sim e^{\frac{A}{4}} + \sum_N e^{\frac{A}{4N}}$$

Question: What is the origin of these terms in the QEF?

Proposal: **sum over all spacetimes** \sim black hole NHG.

\mathbb{Z}_N orbifolds are natural candidates.

- They are admissible saddle-points of the QEF.
- At the saddle-point $\mathcal{Z}_{finite} = e^{\frac{A}{4N}}$.
- explain **exponentially suppressed corrections** to $d(Q, P)$?
- **Test:** match the log term!

New Saddle Points

Consider the AdS_2 metric in coordinates $\sigma = \cosh \eta$.

$$ds^2 = a^2 \left(\frac{d\sigma}{\sigma^2 - 1} + (\sigma^2 - 1) d\theta^2 \right), \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi)$$

Suppose we identify $\theta \mapsto \theta + \frac{2\pi}{N}$.

Also, rescale coordinates on the quotient space, AdS_2/\mathbb{Z}_N .

$$\tilde{\sigma} = \frac{\sigma}{N}, \quad \tilde{\theta} = N\theta,$$

Then the metric becomes

$$ds^2 = a^2 \left(\frac{d\tilde{\sigma}^2}{\tilde{\sigma}^2 - \frac{1}{N}} + \left(\tilde{\sigma}^2 - \frac{1}{N} \right) d\tilde{\theta}^2 \right), \quad \tilde{\theta} \equiv \tilde{\theta} + 2\pi.$$

Hence, this is **a new spacetime which is asymptotically AdS_2** .

\Rightarrow should be included in the QEF.

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Gaussian Integrals

Consider a Gaussian Integral over a matrix $M_{ij} = \kappa_i \delta_{ij}$.

$$Z = \int \left(\prod_{i=1}^n dx_i e^{-\kappa_i x_i^2} \right) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n \kappa_i}} = \det^{-\frac{1}{2}} M.$$

- This is true only if $\kappa_i > 0 \forall i$.
- What if say $\kappa_n = 0$? i.e. M has a **zero mode**?

In that case

$$Z = \int \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} dx_i e^{-\kappa_i x_i^2} \right) \int dx_n = (\det' M)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int dx_n.$$

- We get a determinant over non-zero modes,
- The zero mode contribution has to be analyzed separately.

The One-Loop Determinant

One-loop corrections about a saddle-point are contained in the determinant

$$\mathcal{Z}_{1-\ell} = \det^{-\frac{1}{2}}(D).$$

Further: define the (integrated) heat kernel

$$K(t) = \sum_m d_m e^{-t\kappa_m}.$$

In this case

$$\ln \det D = \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t} K(t)$$

Importantly, for us

$$\ln \mathcal{Z} = \frac{1}{2} K(0; t) \ln A + \dots$$

Only the t^0 term in $K(t)$ contributes to the log term in the QEF saddle-points.

Strategy

Computing $K(t) \Rightarrow$ Solve for Spectrum of D .

- Couple fields to background metric. Then

$$D \simeq \Delta + \frac{c}{a^2}$$

- Turn on background EM fields. These shift eigenvalues, not degeneracies.
- e.g. Modes on S^2 are labelled by a quantum number ℓ

Qty	Flux OFF	Flux ON
degeneracy	$2\ell + 1$	$2\ell + 1$
Eigenvalue	$\ell(\ell + 1), \ell(\ell + 1)$	$\ell(\ell - 1), (\ell + 1)(\ell + 2)$

- Compute degeneracies, eigenvalues known.

Scalar on S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N

Strategy

- Final computation on $\text{AdS}_2 \otimes S^2 \Rightarrow$ non-compact.
- Note the analytic continuation from S^2

$$a^2 (d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi d\theta^2) \mapsto a^2 (d\eta^2 + \sinh^2 \eta d\theta^2),$$

when $a \mapsto ia$, $\chi \mapsto i\eta$.

- Hence compute on $S^2 \otimes S^2$ and analytically continue.
- Also have to impose the \mathbb{Z}_N orbifold.
- Consider the toy example of **the scalar on S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N** here.
 - $ds^2 = a^2 (d\psi^2 + \sin^2 \psi d\phi^2)$
 - \mathbb{Z}_N : $\phi \mapsto \phi + \frac{2\pi}{N}$.
 - **Two fixed points**: $\chi = 0, \pi$.
 - **Note**: In contrast, AdS_2 has **one fixed point**, $\eta = 0$.

Scalar on S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N

The spectrum of the scalar Laplacian on S^2 :

- Eigenvalues: $E_\ell = \ell(\ell + 1)$
- Eigenfunctions: $Y_{\ell,m}(\psi, \phi) = P_\ell^m e^{im\phi}$, $-\ell \leq m \leq \ell$.

The heat kernel is

$$K(t) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} 1 \cdot e^{-\frac{t}{a^2} \ell(\ell+1)}$$

The \mathbb{Z}_N orbifold:

- No change in eigenvalues
- Modes restricted to $m = Np$, $p \in \mathbb{Z}$, $-\ell \leq m \leq \ell$,

The degeneracy changes:

$$d_\ell = \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \delta_{m, Np}$$

Scalar on S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N

We will use the following representation for δ

$$\delta_{m,Np} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{s=0}^{N-1} e^{i\frac{2\pi ms}{N}}$$

Then the heat kernel on S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N is

$$K(t) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{s=0}^{N-1} e^{i\frac{2\pi s}{N} m} \right) \cdot e^{-\frac{t}{a^2} \ell(\ell+1)}$$

Doing the sum over m

$$K(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{s=0}^{N-1} \frac{\sin \frac{(2\ell+1)\pi s}{N}}{\sin \frac{\pi s}{N}} e^{-\frac{t}{a^2} \ell(\ell+1)}$$

Scalar on S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N

Degeneracy of E_ℓ on S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N :

$$d_\ell = \frac{2\ell + 1}{N} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{s=1}^{N-1} \chi_\ell \left(\frac{\pi s}{N} \right)$$

χ_ℓ is the Weyl character of $SU(2)$.

The heat kernel on S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N is given by

$$K_{S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N}(t) = \frac{1}{N} K_{S^2} + \frac{N^2 - 1}{6N} + \mathcal{O}(t).$$

Log Term:

$$K_{S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N}(0; t) = \frac{1}{3N} + \frac{N^2 - 1}{6N}$$

The Analytic Continuation to AdS_2

The Heat Kernel on S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N has the form

$$K_{S^2/\mathbb{Z}_N}(t) = \frac{1}{N} K_{S^2} + \text{conical terms.}$$

To analytically continue to AdS_2 ,

- $K_{S^2} \mapsto K_{\text{AdS}_2}$,
- $a \mapsto ia$ in **conical terms**
- multiply conical terms by half.

This because S^2 has two fixed points, AdS_2 has one.

We then find

$$K_{\text{AdS}_2/\mathbb{Z}_N}(t) = \frac{1}{N} K_{\text{AdS}_2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{N^2 - 1}{6N} + \mathcal{O}(t).$$

This is how we compute on the NHG as well.

Zero Mode Contribution

- In principle, the zero mode integral can also contribute.
- If ϕ has n_ϕ^0 zero modes, then

$$\mathcal{Z}_{str.}^{zero} = A^{\frac{\beta_\phi}{2} n_\phi^0} \mathcal{Z}_0.$$

- Suppose Ψ_i is the set of orthonormal zero modes of D .

$$n_\phi^0 = \sum_i \langle \Psi_i | \Psi_i \rangle = \sum_i \int_{AdS_2} \Psi_i^* \Psi_i$$

- To compute on the \mathbb{Z}_N orbifold, project onto orbifold invariant modes.

Counting Zero Modes

Zero modes of Hodge Operator on vector field on AdS_2

$$\mathcal{A}_\mu = \partial_\mu \Phi; \quad \Phi = \left(\frac{\sinh \eta}{1 + \cosh \eta} \right)^{|m|} e^{im\theta}$$

Then

$$n_0 = \sum_m \langle \mathcal{A} | \mathcal{A} \rangle \simeq \frac{1}{2N} e^{\eta_0} - 1 + \mathcal{O}(\eta_0).$$

The number of zero modes is the $\mathcal{O}(1)$ term

$$n_0 = -1$$

Final Answers

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The $\mathcal{N} = 2$ answer is interesting and puzzling.

- $\ln \mathcal{Z}_{\mathbb{Z}_N} \sim \frac{A}{N} + N \ln A$. If $N \simeq \sqrt{A_H}$ then the 1-loop correction is bigger than the classical answer!
- Also, the N dependence **does not appear for $\mathcal{N} = 4$ and $\mathcal{N} = 8$** . Reproduce from the microscopic side?

The Twisted QEF

The QEF computes the total number of black hole microstates.

Can we extract more refined information? In particular:

- If the theory admits discrete symmetries, compute indices weighted with these symmetries?
- Can we define quantities that behave like indices in theories with less supersymmetry?

Twisted Indices in String Theory do this job.

\Rightarrow if the theory has a discrete symmetry $g \equiv \mathbb{Z}_N$

Compute the Black Hole entropy index, with an insertion of g .

$$\text{Tr} \left[g (-1)^h (2h)^{2n} \right]$$

\Rightarrow Twisted Index

Question: **QEF Interpretation?**

The Twisted QEF

- **Proposal:** QEF, but \mathbb{Z}_N twisted boundary conditions.
- The Black Hole NHG is not an admissible saddle-point.
- The $(NHG) / \mathbb{Z}_N$ is an admissible saddle-point. Indeed

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\text{twisted}} \simeq e^{\frac{A}{4N}},$$

which is in accordance with microscopic results.

- Can we match the log term? \Rightarrow K(t) with twisted b.c.
- **Yes!** For g preserving $\mathcal{N} = 4$ supersymmetry,

Theory	Macroscopic	Microscopic	Match
$\mathcal{N} = 4$	0	0	✓
$\mathcal{N} = 8$	0	0	✓

Conclusions

- The QEF computes the full quantum entropy of extremal black holes.
- We tested this against the string answer for $\mathcal{N} = 4$ and $\mathcal{N} = 8$ black holes.
- The answer for $\mathcal{N} = 2$ black holes has curious properties. It would be interesting to better understand them.
- We also provided evidence that twisted indices can be computed by a QEF approach.
- Again, the matching persists to the quantum level.
- **What about indices preserving $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supersymmetry?**

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Thank You