



BH&LQG

SU(2) treatment and CFT's

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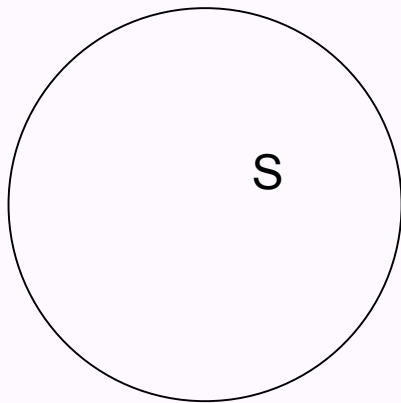
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LQG, Isolated Horizons, Chern-Simons theory and black hole entropy

Ashtekar, Baez, Corichi, Krasnov (2000): Quantum geometry of IH and BH Entropy

- The black hole is introduced in an effective way: the horizon is introduced as an inner boundary of the spacetime manifold.



➡ Boundary conditions (at the classical level):

- $SU(2)$ -connection A_a on the bulk \longrightarrow $U(1)$ -connection W_a on S
- $U(1)$ -Chern-Simons Theory on S

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Quantizing...

Bulk:

- SU(2) spin network \longrightarrow j_i labels
- finite number of edges piercing the horizon (punctures) \longrightarrow m_i labels

Horizon:

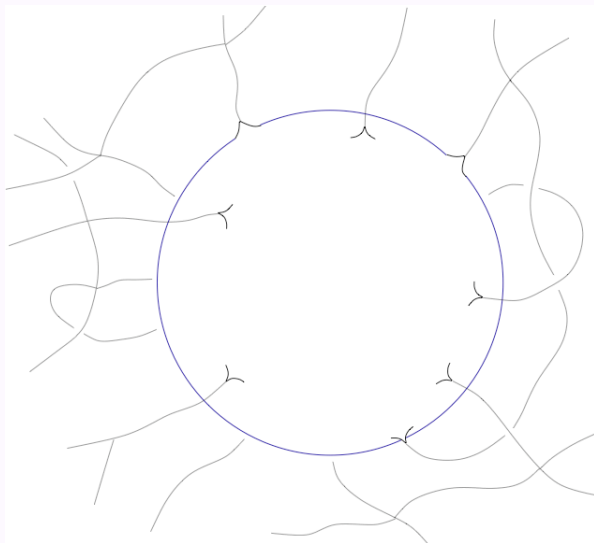
- U(1)-Chern-Simons theory on a punctured horizon \longrightarrow a_i labels

$$\sum_{i=1}^N a_i = 0 \pmod{\kappa}$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_V \otimes \mathcal{H}_S$$

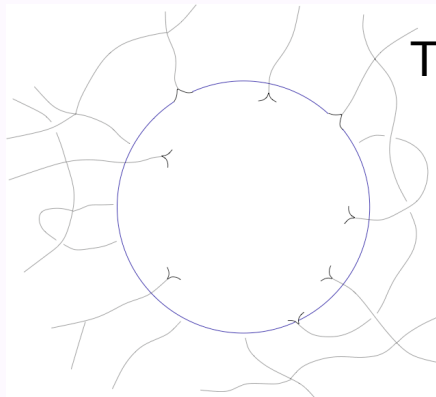
Boundary conditions:

$$-2m_I = a_I \pmod{\kappa}$$



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Black hole Entropy



The area of the Horizon is fixed to be in the interval $[A - \delta, A + \delta]$

$$\mathcal{H}^A = \mathcal{H}_V^A \otimes \mathcal{H}_S^A$$

$\begin{matrix} \nearrow \\ \text{dim } \infty \end{matrix}$
 $\begin{matrix} \nwarrow \\ \text{dim } n(A) \end{matrix}$

$$S = k_B \ln n(A)$$

$n(A)$ can be computed as the number of sequences $\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_N)$

of non zero integers such that $\sum_{i=1}^N a_i = 0 \pmod{\kappa}$ and :

Boundary Conditions from the bulk

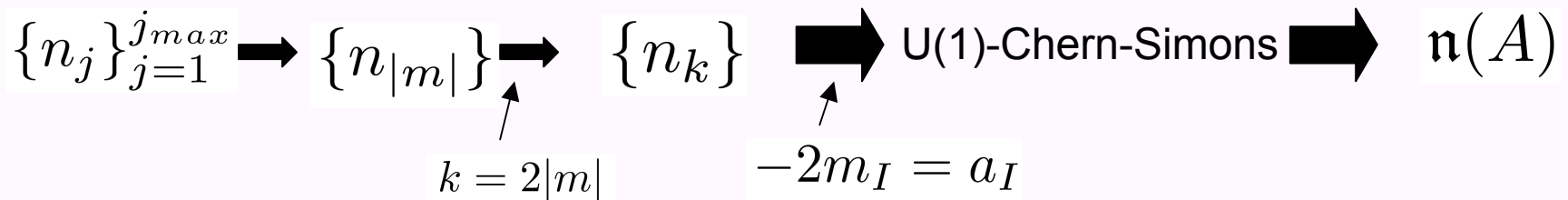
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{1)} \exists \vec{m} = (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_N) \text{ such that } -2m_I = a_I \pmod{\kappa} \\ \mathbf{2)} \exists \vec{j} = (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_N) \text{ such that } m_I \in \{-j_I, -j_I + 1, \dots, j_I\} \\ \text{and } A(\vec{j}) := 8\pi\gamma\ell_P^2 \sum_{I=1}^N \sqrt{j_I(j_I + 1)} \in [A - \delta, A + \delta] \end{array} \right.$$

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We define n_j as the number of times that the label j appears in a sequence

$$\underbrace{(j_1, j_1, \dots, j_1)}_{n_{j_1} \text{- times}}, \underbrace{(j_2, j_2, \dots, j_2)}_{n_{j_2} \text{- times}}, \dots, \underbrace{(j_n, \dots, j_n)}_{n_{j_n} \text{- times}} \equiv \{n_j\}_{j=1}^{j_{max}}$$

Bulk LQG:
$$A(\vec{j}) := 8\pi\gamma\ell_P^2 \sum_{I=1}^N \sqrt{j_I(j_I + 1)}$$



Reordering factor

$$\mathfrak{n}(A) = \sum_{\{n_k\}} \frac{(\sum_k n_k)!}{\prod_k n_k!} P(\{n_k\})$$

Fernando's talk :
$$P(\{n_k\}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \prod_k (2 \cos k\theta)^{n_k}$$

New perspective: Black hole entropy and CFT's

Motivation:

- **E. Witten**: connection between the Hilbert space of a generally covariant theory and the space of conformal blocks of a conformal invariant theory.

First application of this idea: R.K. Kaul and P. Majumdar Phys. Lett B. 439 (1998)

SU(2) Chern-Simons \longleftrightarrow SU(2)-(CFT) Wess-Zumino-Witten

- SU(2) CS theory on the horizon
- SU(2)-WZW theory on a 2-sphere

Computing the number of conformal blocks of the SU(2)-WZW:

$$N^{\mathcal{P}} = \sum_{r_i} N_{j_1 j_2}^{r_1} N_{r_1 j_3}^{r_2} \dots N_{r_{n-2} j_{n-1}}^{j_n} \longrightarrow \text{Entropy}$$

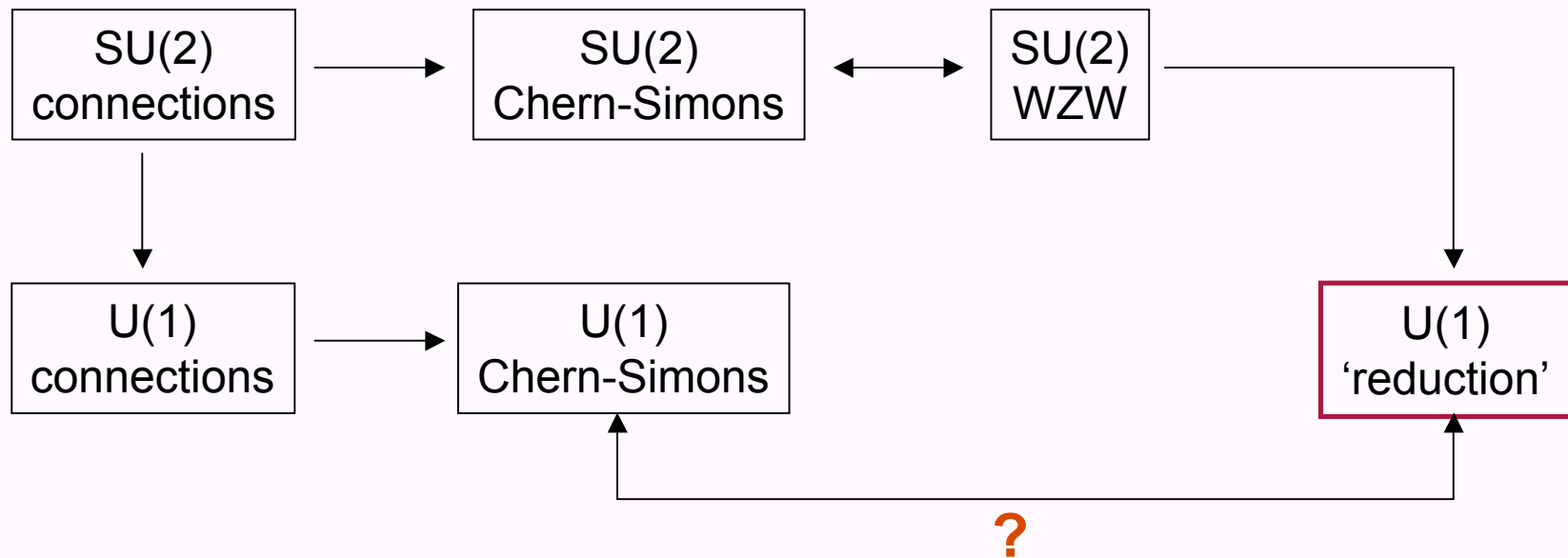
$$[j_i] \otimes [j_l] = \bigoplus_r N_{il}^r [j_r]$$

PROBLEM: In LQG the horizon d.o.f. are described by a U(1)-CS theory

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How to account for the U(1) degrees of freedom?

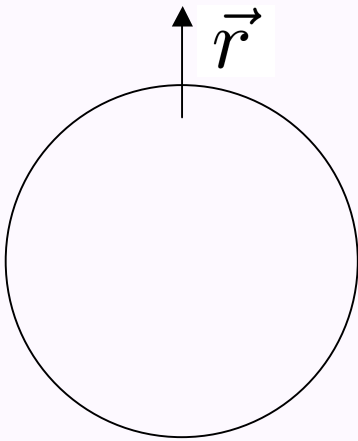
GEOMETRIC SYMMETRY REDUCTION



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SYMMETRY REDUCTION

In ABCK it is done by fixing a unit vector field \vec{r} on the horizon



$$W_a := -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\Gamma_a^i r_i$$

This \vec{r} picks out a U(1) sub-bundle Q of the SU(2) bundle.

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In general terms

- Given a fiber bundle $P[SU(2), S]$ with connection w , a homomorphism $\lambda : U(1) \subset SU(2) \longrightarrow SU(2)$ induces a bundle reduction from $P[SU(2), S]$ to $Q[U(1), S]$ with a $U(1)$ “reduced” connection w' .

- All the conjugacy classes of homomorphisms $\lambda : U(1) \longrightarrow SU(2)$ are represented in

$$Hom(U(1), T(SU(2)))$$

where $T(SU(2)) = \{diag(z, z^{-1}) \mid z = e^{i\theta} \in U(1)\}$ is the invariant torus of $SU(2)$

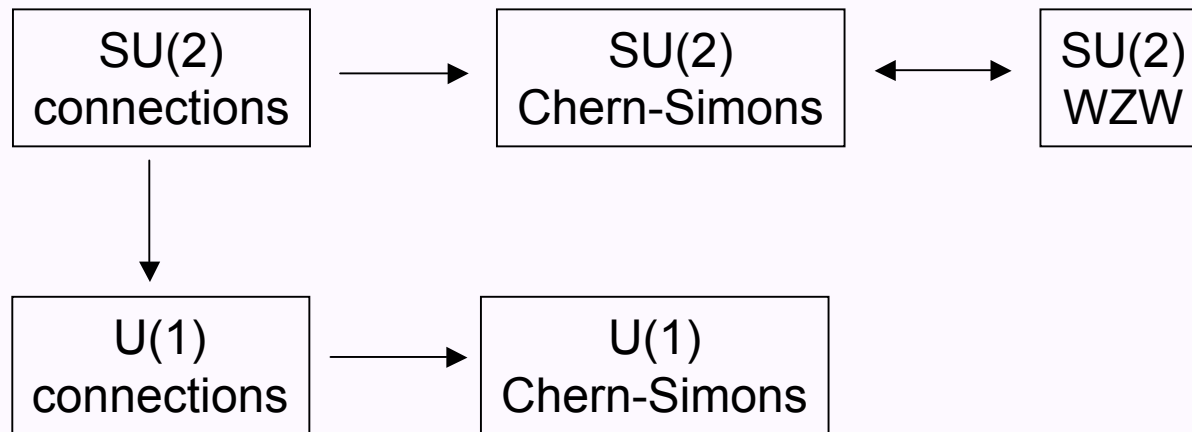
- The homomorphism in $Hom(U(1), T(SU(2)))$ can be characterized by

$$\lambda_p : z \mapsto diag(z^p, z^{-p}) \quad p \in \mathbb{Z}$$

- Considering the action of the Weyl group $(diag(z, z^{-1}) \mapsto diag(z^{-1}, z)) \quad p \in \mathbb{N}_0$

- λ_p with $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$ characterize all the possible ways of carry out the symmetry breaking from $SU(2)$ to $U(1)$.

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SU(2) Chern-Simons \longleftrightarrow SU(2)-WZW R.K. Kaul and P. Majumdar Phys. Lett B. 439 (1998)

$$\mathcal{P} = \{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_N\}$$

$$N^{\mathcal{P}} = \sum_{r_i} N_{j_1 j_2}^{r_1} N_{r_1 j_3}^{r_2} \dots N_{r_{n-2} j_{n-1}}^{j_n}$$

$$[j_i] \otimes [j_l] = \bigoplus_r N_{il}^r [j_r]$$

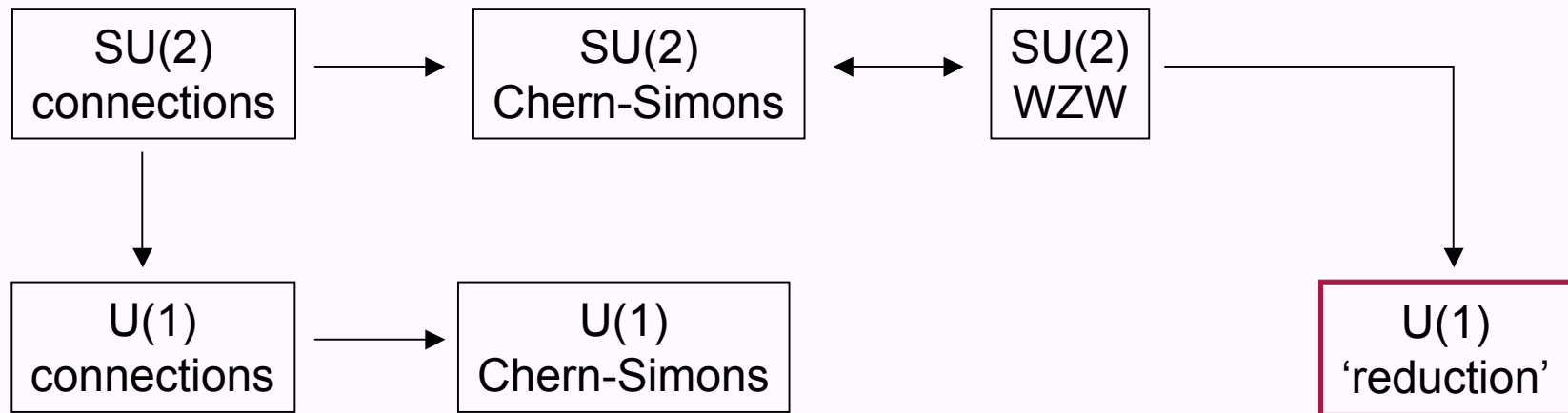
Verlinde formula

We can re-write this expressions using the theory of characters: $\chi_i \chi_j = \sum_r N_{ij}^r \chi_r$

Using that $\langle \chi_i | \chi_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$ being $\langle \chi_i | \chi_j \rangle_{SU(2)} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \sin^2 \theta \chi_i \chi_j$

$$\longrightarrow N^{\mathcal{P}} = \langle \chi_{j_1} \dots \chi_{j_N} | \chi_0 \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{\pi} \sin^2 \theta \prod_{I=1}^N \frac{\sin [(j_I + 1)\theta]}{\sin \theta}$$

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Applying the symmetry reduction...

- We want to restrict the representations $\mathcal{P} = \{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_N\}$ to a set of U(1) representations \longleftrightarrow symmetry reduction locally at each puncture

- Each SU(2) irrep j can be seen as the direct sum of $2j+1$ U(1) irreps:

$$e^{ij\theta} \oplus e^{i(j-1)\theta} \oplus \dots \oplus e^{i(1-j)\theta} \oplus e^{-ij\theta}$$

- An explicit symmetry reduction can be made using the homomorphisms λ_p

- This corresponds to pick out a U(1) representation $e^{ip\theta} \oplus e^{-ip\theta}$ with some $p \leq j$

- We consider these U(1) (reducible) representations instead of the irreducible ones as a consequence of the reduction from SU(2)

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Applying the symmetry reduction...

We have a set of U(1) representations $\mathcal{P}_{U(1)} = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N\}$ (one at each puncture)

$$\tilde{\eta}_{p_I} = e^{ip_I\theta} + e^{-ip_I\theta} = 2 \cos p_I\theta$$

We have to couple them to the U(1) gauge invariance representation.

The characters of the U(1) irrep η_i are orthonormal:

$$\langle \eta_i | \eta_j \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \eta_i^* \eta_j = \delta_{ij}$$

Then:

$$N_{U(1)}^{\mathcal{P}} = \langle \tilde{\eta}_{p_1} \dots \tilde{\eta}_{p_N} | \eta_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \prod_I^N 2 \cos p_I\theta$$

Remembering..... $P(\{n_k\}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \prod_k (2 \cos k\theta)^{n_k}$

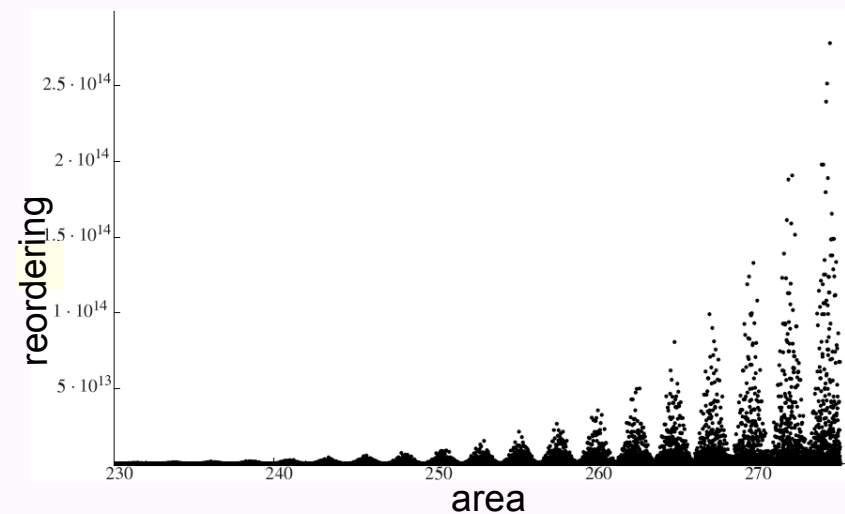
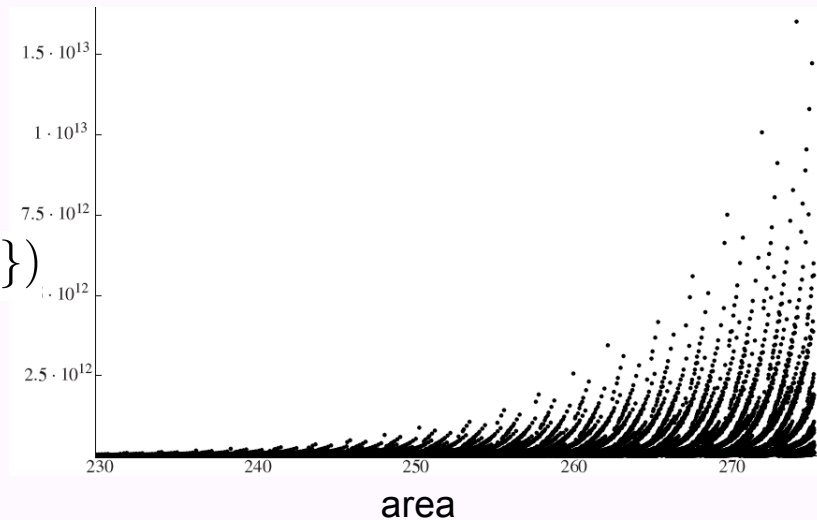
Same expression if we identify p_i with k_i

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Reordering
factor

$$n(A) = \sum_{\{n_k\}} \frac{(\sum_k n_k)!}{\prod_k n_k!} P(\{n_k\})$$

$P(\{n_k\})$



- The contribution from CS or (CFT)WZW gives a linear behavior of the entropy + logarithmic correction
- The 'discretization effect' comes from LQG specific features

Conclusions

- We propose a specific way of implementing Witten's analogy in the framework of black hole entropy in LQG.
- The results seem to indicate that the analogy works in this particular case.
- This is a motivation for the search of a deeper relation between the description of black holes in LQG and a conformal field theory.
- The picture obtained is consistent with the physical problem.
- Is consistent with the general idea of a conformal symmetry driving the linear behaviour of entropy plus some extra quantum effects at the Planck scale specific from LQG.

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