

# Holographic $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ -Toda RG flow

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$AdS \Leftrightarrow DW$ ,  $CFT \Leftrightarrow QFT$ ;  $AdS$  isometry group  $\Leftrightarrow$  Poincare  
isometry group **Boonstra et. al.'98; Skenderis'99**

## The Einstein-dilaton gravity

$$S = M_p^{d-1} \int d^d x \int dr \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - V(\phi) \right] + S_{YH}.$$

- Only one scalar  $\leftrightarrow$  focus on a single operator  $\mathcal{O}$  in the field theory.
- $V(\phi)$  encodes the dimension of the operator and the way the coupling runs.
- $V(\phi) < 0$

# Bulk field/ Operator correspondence

- An operator  $\mathcal{O}(x) \Leftrightarrow \Phi(x, r)$ .
- $\Phi(x, 0) \Leftrightarrow$  a source for  $\mathcal{O}$  in CFT

$$\Phi(x, r) \sim \alpha(x)r^{(d-\Delta)} + \dots r \rightarrow 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad S_{CFT} = S_0 + \int d^d x \alpha(x) \mathcal{O}(x)$$

- The on-shell action (BC fixed by  $\alpha(x)$ )  $\Leftrightarrow$  the QFT generating func.

$$S[\Phi_\alpha(x, r)] = \text{functional of } \alpha(x), \quad \mathcal{Z}_{QFT}[\alpha(x)] = \exp iS[\Phi_\alpha(x, r)]$$

- $\Phi(x, r)$  – the scale-dep. coupling, renormalized at a scale  $\mu \equiv \mu(r)$
- $\alpha(x)$  represents the bare UV coupling

$$\mu = 1/r, \quad \Phi(\mu) = \alpha\mu^{\Delta-d}$$

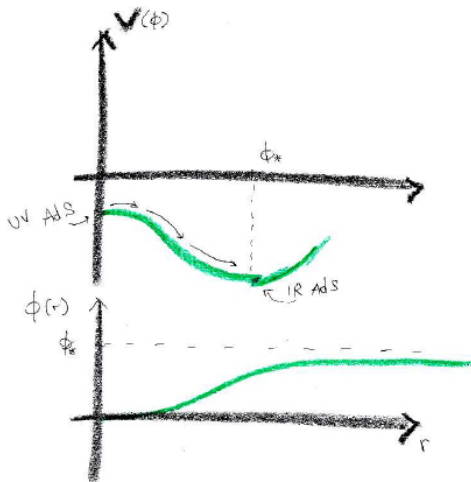


Figure: Pic. by Francesco Nitti



## Improved holographic QCD Gursoy, Kiritsis'07 Gubser'08

## Einstein-dilaton gravity

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left( R - \frac{4}{3} (\partial\phi)^2 + V(\phi) \right) - \frac{1}{\kappa^2} \int_{\partial} d^4x \sqrt{-\gamma}.$$

- $g_{\mu\nu}$  is dual to  $T_{\mu\nu}$ ;
- $\phi$  is dual to  $\text{tr}[F^2]$ .

The potential can be tuned to reproduce  $\beta$ -function.

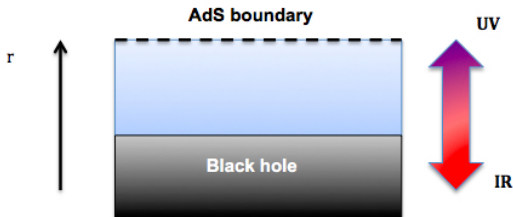
For asymptotically AdS **UV**  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$   $V(\lambda) = V_0 + v_1\lambda + v_2\lambda^2 + \dots$

For confinement in the **IR**  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$   $V(\lambda) \sim \lambda^Q (\log \lambda)^P$

Confinement  $\Leftrightarrow$  finite- $T$  transition between thermal gas and Black Hole

## Thermal gas solution

$$ds^2 = e^{2A(r)} \eta_{ij} dx^i dx^j + dr^2, \quad \phi = \phi(r).$$



## The Chamblin-Reall black hole

$$ds^2 = e^{2A(r)} \left( -f(r) dt^2 + \delta_{ij} dx^i dx^j \right) + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)}, \quad f(r) = 1 - C_2 \lambda^{-\frac{4(1-X^2)}{3X}}.$$

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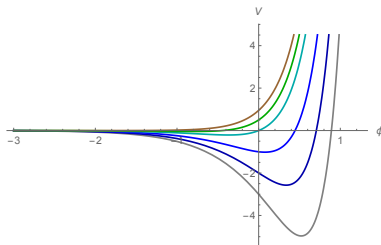
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## Set up

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the potential  $V < 0$  –  $AdS$  fixed points;  $V(\phi) = C_1 e^{2k_1\phi} + C_2 e^{2k_2\phi}$ , with  $C_i, k_i$  with  $i = 1, 2$  are some constants.



**Figure:** The behaviour of the potential  $V(\phi)$  for  $C_1 < 0, C_2 > 0$ .

## The ansatz for the metric

$$ds^2 = -e^{2A(u)} dt^2 + e^{2B(u)} \sum_{i=1}^3 dy_i^2 + e^{2C(u)} du^2,$$

$A, B, C$  – log's of scale factors, smooth functions.

The gauge  $C = A + 3B$ .

The dynamical system  $x^1 = A, x^2 = B, x^3 = \phi, x = C$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} G_{MN} \dot{x}^M \dot{x}^N - V, \quad V = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{s=1}^2 C_s e^{2(x^1 + 3x^2 + k_s x^3)}, \quad \cdot \equiv \frac{d}{du}.$$

$$(G_{MN}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -3 & 0 \\ -3 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (G^{MN}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{4} \end{pmatrix}, \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3.$$

$(G_{MN})$  – minisuperspace metric on the target space  $\mathcal{M}$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \langle \dot{x}, \dot{x} \rangle - \tilde{C}_1 e^{\langle V, x \rangle} - \tilde{C}_2 e^{\langle W, x \rangle}, \quad \tilde{C}_1 = -\frac{1}{2} C_1, \tilde{C}_2 = -\frac{1}{2} C_2.$$

$V$  and  $W$  are some vectors on  $\mathcal{M}$  (the original basis is  $(\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \vec{e}_3)$ )

$$(V^i) = \left(-\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{2}k_1\right), \quad (W^i) = \left(-\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{2}k_2\right)$$

$$\langle V, V \rangle = 3 \left(k_1^2 - \frac{16}{9}\right), \quad \langle W, W \rangle = 3 \left(k_2^2 - \frac{16}{9}\right), \quad \langle V, W \rangle = 3 \left(k_1 k_2 - \frac{16}{9}\right).$$

**LET**  $\langle V, W \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow k_1 k_2 = \frac{16}{9}.$

The new basis

$$\langle e'_i, e'_j \rangle = \eta_{ij}, \quad (\eta_{ij}) = \text{diag}(-1, 1, 1), \quad e'_1 = \frac{V}{\|V\|}, \quad e'_2 = \frac{W}{\|W\|}.$$

$$X^i = \eta_{ii} \langle e'_i, x \rangle, \quad x^i = \sum_{j=1}^3 S_j^i X^j, \quad e'_j = \sum_{i=1}^3 S_j^i e_i.$$

$S_j^i$  – components of general Lorentz transformations.

The  $A_1 \times A_1$ -mechanical model

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \eta_{ij} \dot{X}^i \dot{X}^j - \tilde{C}_1 e^{\eta_{11} |\langle V, V \rangle|^{1/2} X^1} - \tilde{C}_2 e^{\eta_{22} |\langle W, W \rangle|^{1/2} X^2},$$

$$E_0 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \eta_{ij} \dot{X}^i \dot{X}^j + \tilde{C}_1 e^{\eta_{11} |\langle V, V \rangle|^{1/2} X^1} + \tilde{C}_2 e^{\eta_{22} |\langle W, W \rangle|^{1/2} X^2}.$$

Liouville equations or  $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ -Toda chains

$$\ddot{X}^s = -\sqrt{|\langle R_s, R_s \rangle|} \tilde{C}_s e^{\eta_{ss} |\langle R_s, R_s \rangle|^{1/2} X^s}, \quad s = 1, 2,$$

$$\ddot{X}^3 = 0, \quad \text{with} \quad \langle R_1, R_1 \rangle = \langle V, V \rangle, \quad \langle R_2, R_2 \rangle = \langle W, W \rangle.$$

Gavrilov, Ivashchuk, Melnikov'94

# The solution to mechanical model

The solution reads

$$\begin{aligned} X^s &= -\eta_{ss} |\langle R_s, R_s \rangle|^{-1/2} \ln(F_s^2(u - u_{0s})), \quad s = 1, 2 \\ X^3 &= p^3 u + q^3, \end{aligned}$$

with

$$F_s(u - u_{0s}) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{|\frac{\tilde{C}_s}{E_s}|} \cosh \left[ \sqrt{\frac{|E_s \langle R_s, R_s \rangle|}{2}} (u - u_{0s}) \right], & \eta_{ss} \tilde{C}_s > 0, \eta_{ss} E_s > 0, \\ \sqrt{|\frac{\tilde{C}_s}{E_s}|} \sin \left[ \sqrt{\frac{|E_s \langle R_s, R_s \rangle|}{2}} (u - u_{0s}) \right], & \eta_{ss} \tilde{C}_s < 0, \eta_{ss} E_s < 0, \\ \sqrt{|\frac{\tilde{C}_s}{E_s}|} \sinh \left[ \sqrt{\frac{|E_s \langle R_s, R_s \rangle|}{2}} (u - u_{0s}) \right], & \eta_{ss} \tilde{C}_s < 0, \eta_{ss} E_s > 0, \\ \sqrt{|\frac{\langle R_s, R_s \rangle \tilde{C}_s}{2}} (u - u_{0s}), & \eta_{ss} \tilde{C}_s < 0, E_s = 0, \end{cases}$$

$u_{0s}, E_s, E_s, p^3, q^3$  are constants of integration. The component of transformations are



# Holographic $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ -Toda RG flow

$$C_1 < 0, \quad C_2 > 0, \quad 0 < k < 4/3.$$

$$S_1^i = \frac{V^i}{|\langle V, V \rangle|^{1/2}}, \quad S_2^i = \frac{W^i}{\langle W, W \rangle^{1/2}}$$

$$\alpha^i = S_3^i p^3, \quad \beta^i = S_3^i q^3$$

- ①  $\alpha^1 = \alpha^2 = \alpha^3 = 0$  – Vacuum solutions
- ②  $\alpha^1 = -3\alpha^2, \alpha^3 = 0$ . – Non-zero temperature solutions

# Holographic RG-flow. Vacuum case

## The metric and the dilaton

$$ds^2 = -F_1^{\frac{8}{9k^2-16}} F_2^{\frac{9k^2}{2(16-9k^2)}} dt^2 + F_1^{\frac{8}{9k^2-16}} F_2^{\frac{9k^2}{2(16-9k^2)}} \sum_{i=1}^3 dy_i^2 + F_1^{\frac{32}{9k^2-16}} F_2^{\frac{18k^2}{16-9k^2}} du^2.$$

$$\phi = -\frac{9k}{9k^2-16} \ln F_1 + \frac{9k}{9k^2-16} \ln F_2,$$

## The energy condition

$$E_1 + E_2 = 0$$

The functions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are given by

$$F_1 = \pm \sqrt{\left| \frac{\tilde{C}_1}{E_1} \right|} \sinh(\mu_1 u), \quad \mu_1 = \sqrt{\left| \frac{3E_1}{2} \left( k^2 - \frac{16}{9} \right) \right|} \text{ for } E_1 < 0,$$

$$F_2 = \pm \sqrt{\left| \frac{\tilde{C}_2}{E_2} \right|} \sinh(\mu_2 u), \quad \mu_2 = \sqrt{\left| \frac{3E_2}{2} \left( \left( \frac{16}{9} \right)^2 \frac{1}{k^2} - \frac{16}{9} \right) \right|} \text{ for } E_2 > 0.$$

$$E_1 = -E_2.$$

# Check the fixed-point

$$\phi' = 0, \quad \Rightarrow \mu_1 \frac{\cosh(\mu_1 u_0)}{\sinh(\mu_1 u_0)} = \mu_2 \frac{\cosh(\mu_2 u_0)}{\sinh(\mu_2 u_0)} \Rightarrow \frac{\tanh(\mu_1 u_0)}{\tanh(\mu_2 u_0)} = \frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2}.$$

This equation has a solution  $u_0 = 0$ . So, with  $\frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2} = \frac{3k}{4}$

$$\phi|_{u_0=0} = \frac{9k}{16-9k^2} \log \frac{3k}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{9k}{9k^2-16} \log \left| \frac{C_2}{C_1} \right|. \quad (1)$$

Let  $C_1 C_2 < 0$ , then  $V'_\phi = C_1 2k_1 e^{2k_1 \phi} + 2k_2 C_2 e^{2k_2 \phi}$ , and at the critical point one obtains

$$C_1 2k_1 e^{2k_1 \phi} + 2k_2 C_2 e^{2k_2 \phi} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{C_1 k_1}{k_2 C_2} = -e^{2(k_2 - k_1)\phi}.$$

For  $k_1 = k$ ,  $k_2 = \frac{16}{9k}$  we get  $\frac{9C_1 k^2}{16C_2} = -e^{2(\frac{16}{9k} - k)\phi_c}$ .

$$\phi_c = \frac{9k}{(16-9k^2)} \log \frac{3k}{4} + \frac{9k}{2(16-9k^2)} \log \left| \frac{C_1}{C_2} \right|. \quad (2)$$

$$\phi_c = \phi(u_0 = 0)$$

# AdS-fixed point

One can represent the metric in the following form

$$ds^2 = M_1 (-dt^2 + dy_1^2 + dy_2^2 + dy_3^2) + M_3 du^2,$$

where

$$M_1 = F_1^{\frac{8}{9k^2-16}} F_2^{\frac{9k^2}{2(16-9k^2)}}, \quad M_3 = F_1^{\frac{32}{9k^2-16}} F_2^{\frac{18k^2}{16-9k^2}}$$

Let us consider  $u \rightarrow 0$ , then

$$M_1 \sim u^{-1/2}, \quad M_3 \sim u^{-2}.$$
$$v = \int \sqrt{\frac{M_3}{M_1}} du = \int u^{-3/4} du = -4u^{1/4}.$$

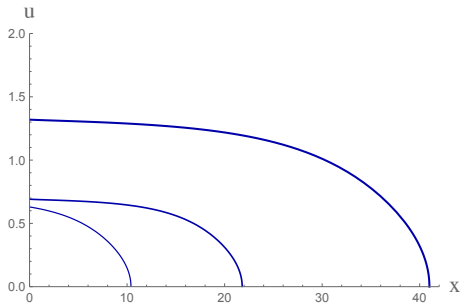
Then we have

$$M_1 \sim v^{-1/2}, \quad M_3 \sim v^{-8}, \quad du^2 = v^6 dv^2.$$

For  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$  we obtain the *AdS-spacetime*

$$ds^2 \sim v^{-2} (-dt^2 + dy_1^2 + dy_2^2 + dy_3^2 + dv^2)$$

# Geodesics



**Figure:** Space-like geodesics for  $C_1 = -1, C_2 = 1, E_1 = 0.5 = -E_2$  and different  $k = 0.3$  (bottom),  $k = 1$  (middle),  $k = 4/3 - 0.1$  (top),  $J = 0.1$ .

# Non-vacuum case

$$\alpha_1 = -3\alpha_2, \alpha_3 = 0.$$

The metric reads

$$\begin{aligned}
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 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

The dilaton reads

$$\phi = -\frac{9k}{9k^2-16} \ln F_1 + \frac{9k}{9k^2-16} \ln F_2,$$

where  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are the same as in the vacuum case, but

$$|E_1| \neq |E_2|$$

$$\mu_1 = \sqrt{\left|\frac{3E_1}{2}\right|} \sqrt{\frac{16}{9} - k^2}, \quad \mu_2 = \sqrt{\left|\frac{3E_2}{2}\right|} \frac{4}{3k} \sqrt{\frac{16}{9} - k^2} = \frac{4}{3k} \sqrt{\frac{E_2}{E_1}} \mu_1.$$

# Attempt to a black brane

$$ds^2 = \Phi \left( -f dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f} \right), \quad f(r_0) = 0.$$

We have  $e^{2A} = \Phi f$ ,  $e^{2B} = \Phi$ ,  $e^{2C} \left( \frac{du}{dr} \right)^2 = \Phi f^{-1}$ .

$$\frac{du}{dr} = e^{-2C} (\Phi f^{-1})^{1/2} \Rightarrow r = \int M_1^{3/2} e^{\frac{5}{3}\alpha_1 u} du.$$

For  $u \rightarrow 0$

$$r = \Gamma \left( \frac{1}{4} \right) - 4 \left( -\frac{5\alpha_1}{3} u \right)^{1/4}.$$

Let us take  $\alpha_1 = -3/5$  and  $r - r_0 = 4u^{1/4}$ .

$$f = e^{-\frac{8}{5}u} = e^{-\frac{8}{5}(\frac{1}{4}(r-r_0))^4} \approx 1 - \frac{8}{5} \left( \frac{1}{4}(r - r_0) \right)^4.$$

The black brane metric takes the form

$$ds^2 = \Phi \left( - \left( 1 - \frac{8}{5} \left( \frac{1}{4}(r - r_0) \right)^4 \right) dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 - \frac{8}{5} \left( \frac{1}{4}(r - r_0) \right)^4} \right),$$

with  $\Phi$  given by  $\Phi = u^{-1/2} e^{2/5u} \sim u^{-1/2} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{5}u \right)$ .

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## TO DO!!

- Behavior of the superpotential  $W$  for both cases
- Apply solution to  $T \neq 0$  QCD (non-conformal plasmas).  
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- Trace anomaly of the stress energy tensor.

Thank you for attention!