

# Towards a Holographic Dictionary for the SYK Model

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# SYK Model

- This is a model of  $N$  real fermions which are all connected to each other by a random coupling. The Hamiltonian is

$$H = (i)^{\frac{q}{2}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_q \leq N} j_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_q} \chi_{i_1} \chi_{i_2} \dots \chi_{i_q}, \quad \{\chi_i, \chi_j\} = \delta_{ij}$$

- The couplings are random with a Gaussian distribution with width  $J$

$$\langle j_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_q}^2 \rangle = \frac{J^2 (q-1)!}{N^{q-1}}$$

- This model is of interest since this displays quantum chaos and thermalization.
- There are good reasons to believe that there is a dual theory in 2 dimensions which has black holes – so this may serve as a valuable toy model

- In the large N limit, the disordered averaging can be performed .It is then useful to introduce a **bilocal collective field**

$$\Psi(t_1, t_2) \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \chi_i(t_1) \chi_i(t_2)$$

- And re-write the path integral in terms of these new variables (*Jevicki, Suzuki and Yoon*)
- We will consider the **Euclidean theory**.

- The path integral is now

$$\int \mathcal{D}\Psi(t_1, t_2) e^{-S_c[\Psi]}$$

- Where the **collective action** includes the **jacobian for transformation** from the original variables to the new bilocal fields

$$S_{\text{col}}[\Psi] = \frac{N}{2} \int dt \left[ \partial_t \Psi(t, t') \right]_{t'=t} + \frac{N}{2} \text{Tr} \log \Psi - \frac{J^2 N}{2q} \int dt_1 dt_2 \Psi^q(t_1, t_2)$$

- The equations of motion are the large N **Dyson-Schwinger equations**

$$\partial_{t_1} \Psi(t_1, t_2) + \delta(t_1 - t_2) - J^2 \int dt_3 [\Psi(t_3, t_1)]^{q-1} \Psi(t_3, t_2) = 0$$

- At **strong coupling** – which is the IR of the theory – the first term can be neglected, and there is an emergent **reparametrization symmetry**, which includes **SL(2,R)**
- In this limit, the saddle point solution is

$$\Psi_0(t_1, t_2) = \frac{b}{|t_{12}|^{\frac{2}{q}}} \text{sgn}(t_{12}) \quad b^q = \frac{\tan(\frac{\pi}{q})}{J^2 \pi} \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{q} \right)$$

# The Strong Coupling Spectrum

- Expand the bilocal action around the **large N saddle point**

$$\Psi(t_1, t_2) = \Psi_0(t_1, t_2) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \eta(t_1, t_2)$$

- The quadratic action is  $S^{(2)} = \int [dt_1 \cdots dt_4] \eta(t_1, t_2) K(t_1, t_2; t_3, t_4) \eta(t_3, t_4)$
- The kernel needs to be diagonalized – this is done by using SL(2,R) symmetry (*Kitaev, Polchinski and Rosenhaus*). The **eigenfunctions** are

$$u_{\nu, \omega}(t, z) = \text{sgn}(z) e^{i\omega t} Z_{\nu}(|\omega z|) \quad z = (x - y) \quad t = (x + y)$$

$$Z_{\nu}(x) = J_{\nu}(x) + \xi_{\nu} J_{-\nu}(x), \quad \xi_{\nu} = \frac{\tan(\pi\nu/2) + 1}{\tan(\pi\nu/2) - 1}$$

- For non-compact time  $\omega$  is any real number, and

$$\nu = 3/2 + 2n \quad \nu = ir$$

- These are eigenfunctions of **the SL(2,R) Casimir** which is a  $AdS_2$  or  $dS_2$  laplacian

$$\left[ z^2(-\partial_t^2 + \partial_z^2) + \frac{1}{4} \right] e^{-i\omega t} z^{1/2} Z_\nu(\omega z) = \nu^2 e^{-i\omega t} z^{1/2} Z_\nu(\omega z)$$

- The orthonormality and completeness relations are

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{x} Z_\nu^*(x) Z_{\nu'}(x) = N_\nu \delta(\nu - \nu') \quad N_\nu = \begin{cases} (2\nu)^{-1} & \text{for } \nu = 3/2 + 2n \\ 2\nu^{-1} \sin \pi\nu & \text{for } \nu = ir, \end{cases}$$

$$\int \frac{d\nu}{N_\nu} Z_\nu^*(|x|) Z_\nu(|x'|) = x \delta(x - x').$$

- The integral here is a **shorthand** for a sum over discrete modes and an integral over imaginary values.
- We now expand the fluctuation in terms of these modes

$$\eta(t_1, t_2) \equiv \Phi(t, z) = \sum_{\nu, \omega} \tilde{\Phi}_{\nu, \omega} u_{\nu, \omega}(t, z)$$

- This leads to the quadratic action

$$S^{(2)} \sim \int d\nu \int d\omega \tilde{\Phi}_{\nu,\omega}^* [\tilde{\kappa}(\nu) - 1] \tilde{\Phi}_{\nu,\omega}$$

where

$$\tilde{\kappa}(\nu) = -\frac{1}{(q-1)} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{q})\Gamma(\frac{1}{q})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{q})\Gamma(1 - \frac{1}{q})} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{5}{4} - \frac{1}{q} + \frac{\nu}{2})\Gamma(\frac{5}{4} - \frac{1}{q} - \frac{\nu}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{\nu}{2})\Gamma(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{q} - \frac{\nu}{2})}$$

- The **spectrum** is therefore given by the infinitely many solutions of the equation

$$\tilde{\kappa}(\nu) = 1 \quad \nu = p_m$$

- For any  $q$   $p_m = 3/2$  is **always a solution**. This is a **zero mode** at strong coupling coming from **broken reparametrization symmetry**.

# The Bilocal Propagator

- The 4 point function of the fermions (2 point function of bilocals) at large J is

$$\mathcal{G}(t, z; t', z') \sim (zz')^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int \frac{d\nu}{N_\nu} e^{-i\omega(t-t')} \frac{Z_\nu(\omega z) Z_\nu(\omega z')}{\tilde{\kappa}(\nu) - 1}$$

- Performing the integral over  $\nu$  the propagator can be expressed as a **sum over poles**

$$\mathcal{G}(t, z; t', z') \sim -\frac{1}{J} |zz'|^{1/2} \sum_m \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} e^{-i\omega(t-t')} \frac{Z_{-p_m}(|\omega|z^>) J_{p_m}(|\omega|z^<)}{N_{p_m}} R_{p_m}$$

- Here  $z^>$  ( $z^<$ ) denotes the greater (smaller) of  $z$  and  $z'$ .
- $R_{p_m}$  is the residue of the pole at  $\nu = p_m$  - analytic expressions derivable.



- Explicit expression for the residue

$$R_{h-1/2} = N_h \left[ H_{-1+\frac{h}{2}+\frac{1}{q}} + H_{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{h}{2}-\frac{1}{q}} - H_{\frac{h}{2}-\frac{1}{q}} - H_{-\frac{1}{2}-\frac{h}{2}+\frac{1}{q}} \right]$$

$$N_h = \frac{\left( \sin \pi h + \sin \frac{2\pi}{q} \right) \Gamma \left( \frac{2}{q} \right) \Gamma \left( 2 - h - \frac{2}{q} \right) \Gamma \left( 1 + h - \frac{2}{q} \right)}{\pi q \Gamma \left( 3 - \frac{2}{q} \right)}$$

# Large q limit

- In the **large q limit**  $p_m = 3/2$  remains an exact solution. The other poles are (*Gross and Rosenhaus; Maldacena and Stanford*)

$$p_m = 2m + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{q} \frac{2m^2 + m + 1}{2m^2 + m - 1} + \dots \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

- The residue at  $p_m = 3/2$  remains finite

$$R(3/2) = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{q} \left( \frac{5}{2} + \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right) + O(1/q^2)$$

- The residues at the other poles vanish for large q - these do not contribute to the propagator.

$$R(p_m) \rightarrow \frac{1}{q} \frac{4(2m^2 + m)}{(2m^2 + m - 1)^2} + O(1/q^2)$$

- However the large q limit is rather subtle. In some sense this becomes **2d Liouville**.

- There is a special mode at  $p_0 = 3/2$  which – at strong coupling – is a **zero mode of the diffeomorphism invariance** in the IR.
- This would lead to an infinite contribution at infinite  $J$ . For finite  $J$ , the diffeo is explicitly broken. The mode has a correction (*Maldacena and Stanford*)

$$p_0 = 3/2 - \alpha \frac{\omega}{J}$$

- This leads to the following **enhanced contribution of this mode to the propagator in the zero temperature limit**

$$J \int \frac{d\omega}{\omega^2} e^{i\omega(t'_+ - t_+)} \left[ \frac{\sin(\omega t_-)}{\omega t_-} - \cos(\omega t_-) \right] \left[ \frac{\sin(\omega t'_-)}{\omega t'_-} - \cos(\omega t'_-) \right]$$

$$t_{\pm} \equiv \frac{t_1 \pm t_2}{2}, \quad t'_{\pm} \equiv \frac{t_3 \pm t_4}{2}$$

- The effective theory which reproduces this is a **Schwarzian action** whose dynamical variable is the parameter of the diffeomorphism.
- Note this is proportional to  $J$  - which is why it diverges at strong coupling

- The object  $\Phi(t, z)$  appears to be as **a field in 1+1 dimensions**.
- However the field action in real space is **non-polynomial in derivatives**.

$$S^{(2)} = \int dt dz \{ (z^{1/2} \eta(t, z) \left[ \tilde{\kappa}(\sqrt{\mathcal{D}_B}) - 1 \right] (z^{1/2} \eta(t, z)) \}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_B \equiv z^2 (-\partial_t^2 + \partial_z^2) + \frac{1}{4}$$

- In fact the form of the propagator looks like a sum of contributions from an **infinite number of fields in AdS** or maybe **dS**
- The conformal dimensions of the corresponding operators are given by  $h_m = \frac{1}{2} + p_m$
- Indeed, it is believed that the dual theory is possibly an infinite number of matter fields coupled to **Jackiw-Teitelboim dilaton gravity** (*Engelsoy, Mertens, Verlinde; Maldacena, Stanford and Yang*) or **Polyakov 2d action** (*Mandal, Nayak and Wadia*).
- The gravity theory has  $AdS_2$  as well as **black hole** solutions.

CAN WE UNDERSTAND THE EMERGENCE OF  
THE HOLOGRAPHIC DIRECTION DIRECTLY FROM  
THE LARGE N DEGREES OF FREEDOM ?

# The Bilocal Space

- In fact, as a special case of the suggestion of *S.R.D. and A. Jevicki (2003)* in the context of duality between **Vasiliev theory** and **O(N) vector model** – the center of mass and the relative coordinates  $z = (t_1 - t_2)$   $t = (t_1 + t_2)$  can be thought of as **Poincare coordinates** in  $AdS_2$

- The  $SL(2,R)$  transformations of the two points of the bilocal

$$\begin{aligned} \delta t_1 &= \epsilon_1, & \delta t_1 &= \epsilon_2 t_1 & \delta t_1 &= \epsilon_3 t_1^2 \\ \delta t_2 &= \epsilon_1, & \delta t_2 &= \epsilon_2 t_2 & \delta t_2 &= \epsilon_3 t_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

- These become **isometries of a Lorentzian**  $AdS_2$  space-time

$$\begin{aligned} \delta t &= \epsilon_1 & \delta z &= 0 \\ \delta t &= \epsilon_2 t & \delta z &= \epsilon_2 z \\ \delta t &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_3 (t^2 + z^2) & \delta z &= \epsilon_3 t z \end{aligned}$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2} [-dt^2 + dz^2]$$

- The bi-local space indeed provides a realization of  $AdS_2$
- However
  1. The wavefunctions which appear in the propagator are **not the usual  $AdS_2$  wavefunctions**. The latter are Bessel functions with **real positive** order.
  2. The “matter” fields must have rather **unconventional Kinetic energy terms** – since the poles of the propagator have **non-trivial residues**.
  3. More significantly – we are actually working with **Euclidean** SYK model – in fact the bilocal propagator **does not have a factor of  $i$**  which should be there in Lorentzian signature.

One would expect that the dual theory should have **Euclidean** signature as well.

- We will see the understanding of the points (1) and (3) are closely related.

# A Three dimensional view

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- It turns out that the infinite tower of fields can be interpreted as the **KK tower** of a **Horava-Witten compactification** of a **3 dimensional theory** in a fixed background.

- For  $q=4$  the background is  $ds^2 = \frac{1}{z^2}[-dt^2 + dz^2] + (1 + \frac{a}{z})^2 dy^2$   $a \sim 1/J$

- The third direction is an **interval**  $S^1/Z_2$  with Dirichlet boundary conditions

- There is a single scalar field which is subject to a **delta function potential**

$$S = \int dzdt \left[ (\partial_t \phi)^2 - (\partial_z \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{4z^2} - \frac{1}{z^2} \{ (\partial_y \phi)^2 + V(y) \phi^2 \} \right] \quad V(y) = V \delta(y)$$

Schrodinger problem in an infinite well with a delta function in the middle



- This reproduces the spectrum exactly.
- A rather non-standard three dimensional propagator between points which lie at  $y=0$  has an exact agreement with the SYK bilocal propagator – including the enhanced contribution of the  $h=2$  mode.
- Here the non-trivial residues which appear in the SYK answer come from non-trivial wavefunctions in the 3<sup>rd</sup> direction.
- This generalizes rather nontrivially to arbitrary  $q$ . The metric is now non-trivial

$$ds^2 = |x|^{\frac{4}{q}-1} \left[ \frac{-dt^2 + dz^2}{z^2} + \frac{dx^2}{4|x|(1-|x|)} \right]$$

- And there is a nontrivial potential

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{|x|^{\frac{4}{q}-1}} \left[ 4 \left( \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 + m_0^2 + \frac{2V}{J(x)} \left( 1 - \frac{2}{q} \right) \delta(x) \right] \quad J(x) = \frac{|x|^{\frac{2}{q}-1}}{2\sqrt{1-|x|}}$$

- It is significant that **not just the spectrum**, but the propagator is exactly reproduced by this three dimensional model.
- However there is **no reason to expect that the theory has local interactions in these three dimensions** – we should view this 3d picture as an unpacking of the infinite number of modes.

# Towards an Euclidean Dual

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- Both **Lorentzian** and **Euclidean**  $\text{AdS}_2$  have the symmetry group  $\text{SO}(1,2)$  or  $\text{SO}(2,1)$ .
- The **bi-local space** has a metric  $ds^2 = \frac{1}{\eta^2}[-dt^2 + d\eta^2]$   $t \equiv \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2}$   $\eta \equiv \frac{t_1 - t_2}{2}$
- The isometry generators are

$$\hat{D}_{1+2} = t_1 p_1 + t_2 p_2, \quad \hat{P}_{1+2} = -p_1 - p_2, \quad \hat{K}_{1+2} = -t_1^2 p_1 - t_2^2 p_2$$

- **Euclidean**  $\text{AdS}_2$  has a metric
- Whose isometries are

$$ds^2 = \frac{d\tau^2 + dz^2}{z^2}$$

$$\hat{D}_{\text{EAdS}} = \tau p_\tau + z p_z, \quad \hat{P}_{\text{EAdS}} = -p_\tau, \quad \hat{K}_{\text{EAdS}} = (z^2 - \tau^2) p_\tau - 2\tau z p_z$$

- One might wonder if there is a **canonical transformation** which relates these generators.
- The answer turns out to be **YES**

$$\tau = \frac{t_1 p_1 - t_2 p_2}{p_1 - p_2}, \quad p_\tau = p_1 + p_2, \quad z^2 = - \left( \frac{t_1 - t_2}{p_1 - p_2} \right)^2 p_1 p_2, \quad p_z^2 = -4p_1 p_2$$

- Such canonical transformations lead to **integral transformations** between corresponding fields living in EAdS<sub>2</sub> and AdS<sub>2</sub> - turns out to be **Radon** or **X-ray transform**

$$[\mathcal{R}f](\eta, t) = 2\eta \int_{t-\eta}^{t+\eta} d\tau \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z} \delta\left(\eta^2 - (\tau - t)^2 - z^2\right) f(\tau, z)$$

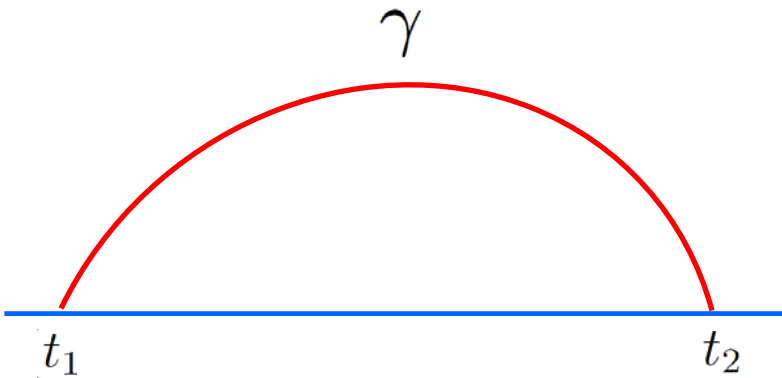
- The procedure is somewhat similar to transforms used to relate linear dilaton backgrounds and black hole backgrounds in **two dimensional string theory** (*Martinec & Shatashvili; S.R.D., Jevicki and Yoneya; Dhar, Mandal & Wadia*)
- Also to transforms used in relating **bilocals** to **higher spin fields** (*R. de Mello Koch, A.Jevicki, K. Jin and J. Rodrigues*)

- The **Radon transform** of a function on  $\text{EAdS}_2$  is the integral of the function evaluated on a geodesic with end-points on the boundary

$$\mathcal{R}f(\tau, z) = \int_{\gamma} ds f(\gamma)$$

$$t \equiv \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2}$$

$$\eta \equiv \frac{t_1 - t_2}{2}$$



- In fact the bilocal space is somewhat similar to kinematic space defined by *Czech, Lamprou, McCandlish, Mosk and Sully* - however in that case this was on a *single time slice*.
- The radon transform has been used to relate operators on the boundary to fields in the bulk (*Czech et.al.; Bhowmick, Ray and Sen*). Related formulae appear in (*de Boer, Haehl, Heller, Myers, Niemann*).

- The radon transform has the property

$$\nabla_{LAdS_2}^2 \mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R} \nabla_{EAdS_2}^2$$

- Remarkably this takes the **normalizable eigenfunctions** of  $\nabla_{EAdS}^2$

$$\phi_{EAdS}(\tau, z) = z^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-i\omega\tau} K_\nu(\omega z) \quad \nu = ir$$

to *precisely* the combination of Bessel functions which appear in the SYK problem

$$[\mathcal{R}\phi_{EAdS}](t, \eta) = -\frac{\pi^{3/2}}{\sin(\pi\nu)} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\nu}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\nu}{2})} \eta^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-i\omega t} \left[ J_\nu(\omega\eta) + \frac{\tan(\frac{\pi\nu}{2}) + 1}{\tan(\frac{\pi\nu}{2}) - 1} J_{-\nu}(\omega\eta) \right] \quad \nu = ir$$

$$Z_\nu(x) = J_\nu(x) + \xi_\nu J_{-\nu}(x)$$

While for  $\nu = \nu_n = 2n + 3/2$

$$\mathcal{R}[\alpha'_{\nu_n} z^{1/2} e^{-ik\tau} I_{\nu_n}(|k|z)] = (2\nu_n \eta)^{1/2} e^{-ikx} J_{\nu_n}(|k|\eta)$$

$$\alpha'_{\nu_n} = \left( \frac{2\nu_n}{\pi} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{\nu_n}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\nu_n}{2})}$$

- One might have thought that this would mean that the **inverse Radon will transform the SYK propagator** into the **standard Euclidean propagator**.
- This is *almost correct*, but not quite.
- Recall the SYK propagator is

$$\mathcal{G}(t, z; t', z') \sim (zz')^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int \frac{d\nu}{N_\nu} e^{-i\omega(t-t')} \frac{Z_\nu(\omega z) Z_\nu(\omega z')}{\tilde{\kappa}(\nu) - 1}$$

- We need to perform the inverse transform on the combinations of the Bessel functions and then perform the integration over  $\nu$



- Inverse radon transform on the SYK propagator

$$\begin{aligned}
& G(\tau, z; \tau', z') \\
&= \frac{|zz'|^{\frac{1}{2}}}{2\pi J} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega e^{-i\omega(\tau-\tau')} \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{p_m}{2})\Gamma(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{p_m}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{p_m}{2})\Gamma(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{p_m}{2})} \frac{p_m}{\tilde{g}'(p_m)} K_{p_m}(|\omega|z^>) I_{p_m}(|\omega|z^<)} \right. \\
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Additional “Leg Pole” factors. In 3d interpretation another transformation in the 3<sup>rd</sup> direction  
 - Similar factors appear in the c=1 matrix model

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?? ????? Discrete states

# The Black Hole Background

- So far we have dealt with the **zero temperature** theory.
- The finite temperature theory is described as usual by compactifying the Euclidean time – the answers at infinite coupling can be obtained by performing a **reparamterization**

$$t = \tan\left(\frac{\pi\theta}{\beta}\right)$$

- This leads to the metric on the space of bilocals (kinematic space)

$$-\frac{4dt_1dt_2}{|t_1 - t_2|^2} \rightarrow \boxed{\frac{-dt^2 + d\rho^2}{\sin^2 \rho}} \quad \text{FTSYK} \quad \rho = \frac{\pi}{\beta}(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \quad t = \frac{\pi}{\beta}(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$$

- This is **NOT** the metric of a Lorentzian  $\text{AdS}_2$  black hole (or rather  $\text{AdS}_2$  Rindler). The latter is

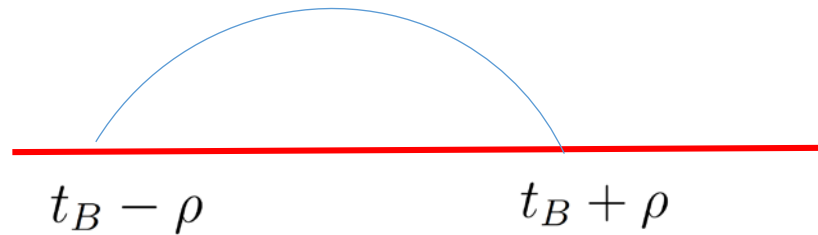
$$\frac{-dt^2 + d\rho^2}{\sinh^2 \rho}$$

- The **Euclidean continuation** of this is

$$ds_B^2 = \frac{d\tau_B^2 + d\xi^2}{\sinh^2 \xi} \quad -\pi \leq \tau_B \leq \pi$$

- This is actually diffeomorphic to the whole upper half plane (just as in flat space).
- In these coordinates **a geodesic** which joins two points on the boundary is

$$\cosh \xi = \sec \rho \cos(t_B - \tau_B)$$



- The **radon transform** of a function is

$$[\mathcal{R}f](t_B, \rho) = \int_{t_B - \rho}^{t_B + \rho} d\tau_B \int \frac{d\xi}{\sinh \xi} \delta(\cosh \xi - \sec \rho \cos(t_B - \tau_B)) f(\tau_B, \xi)$$

- This radon transform correctly **intertwines** the laplacians on **Euclidean BH** and on the lorentzian metric which appears in the space of bilocals at finite temperature

$$\nabla_{FTSYK}^2 \mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R} \nabla_{EBH_2}^2$$

- The eigenvalue problem which needs to be solved to diagonalize **the finite temperature kernel** (the finite temperature analogs of the  $Z_\nu(\omega z)$ ) are not known for arbitrary finite  $q$ .
- However they are known for  $q = \infty$  (*Maldacena and Stanford*). The operator which needs to be diagonalized is precisely  $\nabla_{FTSYK}^2$

$$\left[ \sin^2 \rho (-\partial_t^2 + \partial_\rho^2) + \frac{1}{4} \right] \psi = \nu^2 \psi$$

- The solutions which satisfy **the periodicity conditions** and regularity are

$$\psi_{n,\nu}(t, \rho) = d_{n,\nu} e^{-int} (\cos \rho) (\sin \rho)^{\nu + \frac{1}{2}} {}_2F_1 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{2} + \nu - n \right), \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{2} + \nu + n \right); \frac{3}{2}; \cos^2 \rho \right]$$

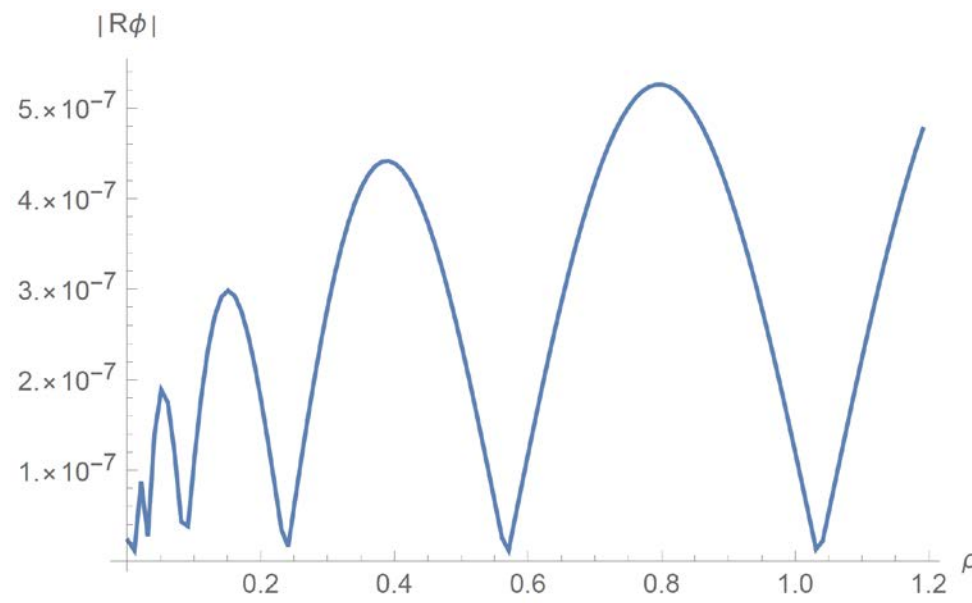
$$\nu = ir \quad \nu = \frac{3}{2} + 2n$$



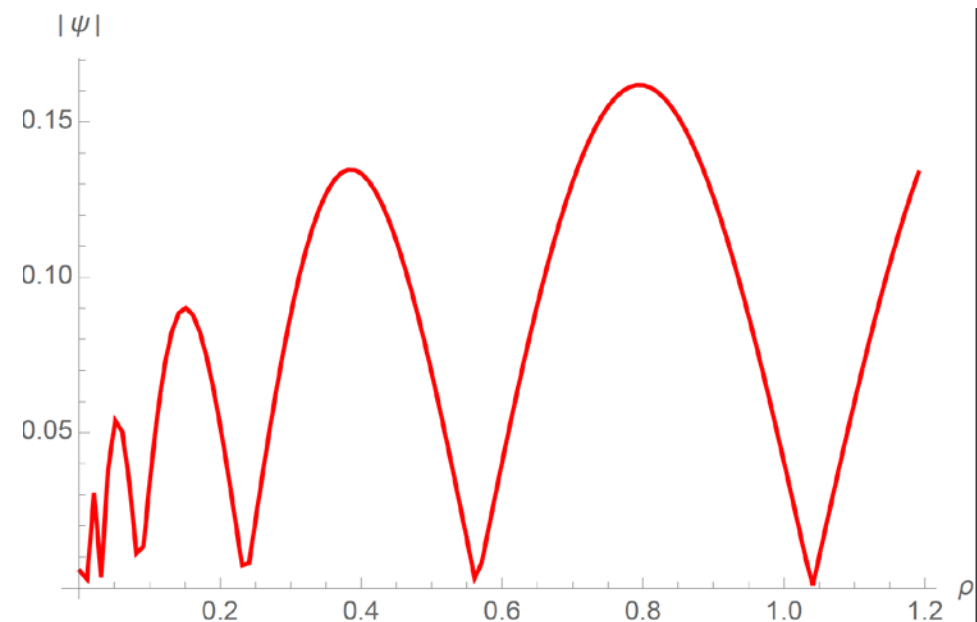
- On the other hand the eigenfunctions of  $\nabla_{EBH_2}^2$  which **are regular everywhere** are, for  $\nu = ir$  given by

$$\phi_{n,\nu} = c_{n,\nu} e^{-in\tau_B} (\sinh \xi)^{1/2} Q_{|n|-\frac{1}{2}}^\nu (\cosh \xi) \quad \nu = ir$$

- We have calculated **the radon transform** of this numerically for several values of  $r$  and  $n$  and compared them with the eigenfunctions of  $\nabla_{FTSYK}^2$  with the same values



Radon Transform of Euclidean BH eigenfunction for  $r=3$  and  $n=5$



eigenfunction of  $\nabla_{FTSYK}^2$  for  $r=3$  and  $n=5$

- We do not have analytic expressions for the normalization factors – so we compared the ratios of these two quantities for different values of  $\rho$

$$n = 2, r = 3 \ (\nu = ir, h = 1/2 + \nu): \quad n = 5, r = 2.5 \ (\nu = ir, h = 1/2 + \nu):$$

$\rho_1$	$\rho_2$	$\frac{[\mathcal{R}\phi_{n,\nu}](\rho_1)}{[\mathcal{R}\phi_{n,\nu}](\rho_2)}$	$\frac{\psi_{n,h}(\rho_1)}{\psi_{n,h}(\rho_2)}$
0.3	0.7	-0.725792	-0.738056
0.2	0.5	-2.21603	-2.44764
0.4	0.1	-1.11162	-1.14059
0.7	0.2	-4.70768	-4.422

$\rho_1$	$\rho_2$	$\frac{[\mathcal{R}\phi_{n,\nu}](\rho_1)}{[\mathcal{R}\phi_{n,\nu}](\rho_2)}$	$\frac{\psi_{n,h}(\rho_1)}{\psi_{n,h}(\rho_2)}$
0.3	0.7	-0.833928	-0.842058
0.1	0.6	0.890446	0.919449
0.4	0.1	-1.32968	-1.34681
0.7	0.2	-4.90662	-5.07062

- The agreement gets substantially better with higher accuracy.
- We can say with confidence that the radon transform of the regular eigenfunctions of  $\nabla_{EBH_2}^2$  are indeed the correct eigenfunctions of  $\nabla_{FTSYK}^2$

# Epilogue

- We clearly do not understand the whole story. But we expect that our observations will play a useful role in determining the bulk dual of the SYK model.
- The necessity of a **radon transform** to relate the **space of bilocals** of SYK to the dual **Euclidean space** seems to be a key ingredient.
- The unpacking of the modes by a **3d Horava-Witten** should be also useful
- The uncanny resemblance of the form of the propagator with that of “**macroscopic loops**” in the **c=1 Matrix Model** prompts a conjecture that the dual theory contains “**discrete states**” – pretty much like discrete states in two dimensional string theory.
- However we do not yet know what is this dual theory !

**THANK YOU**