

Complexity Equals Anything

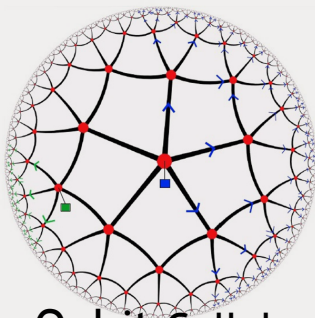
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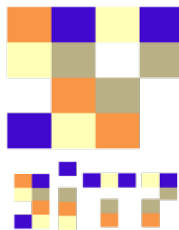
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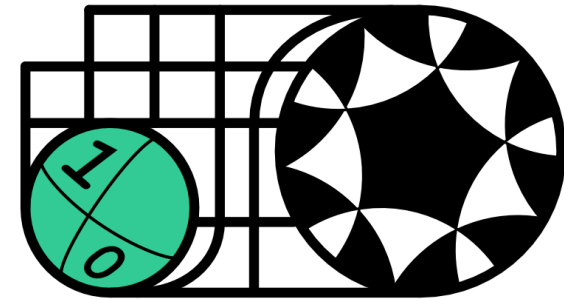
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It From Qubit Collaboration



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Extreme Universe Collaboration

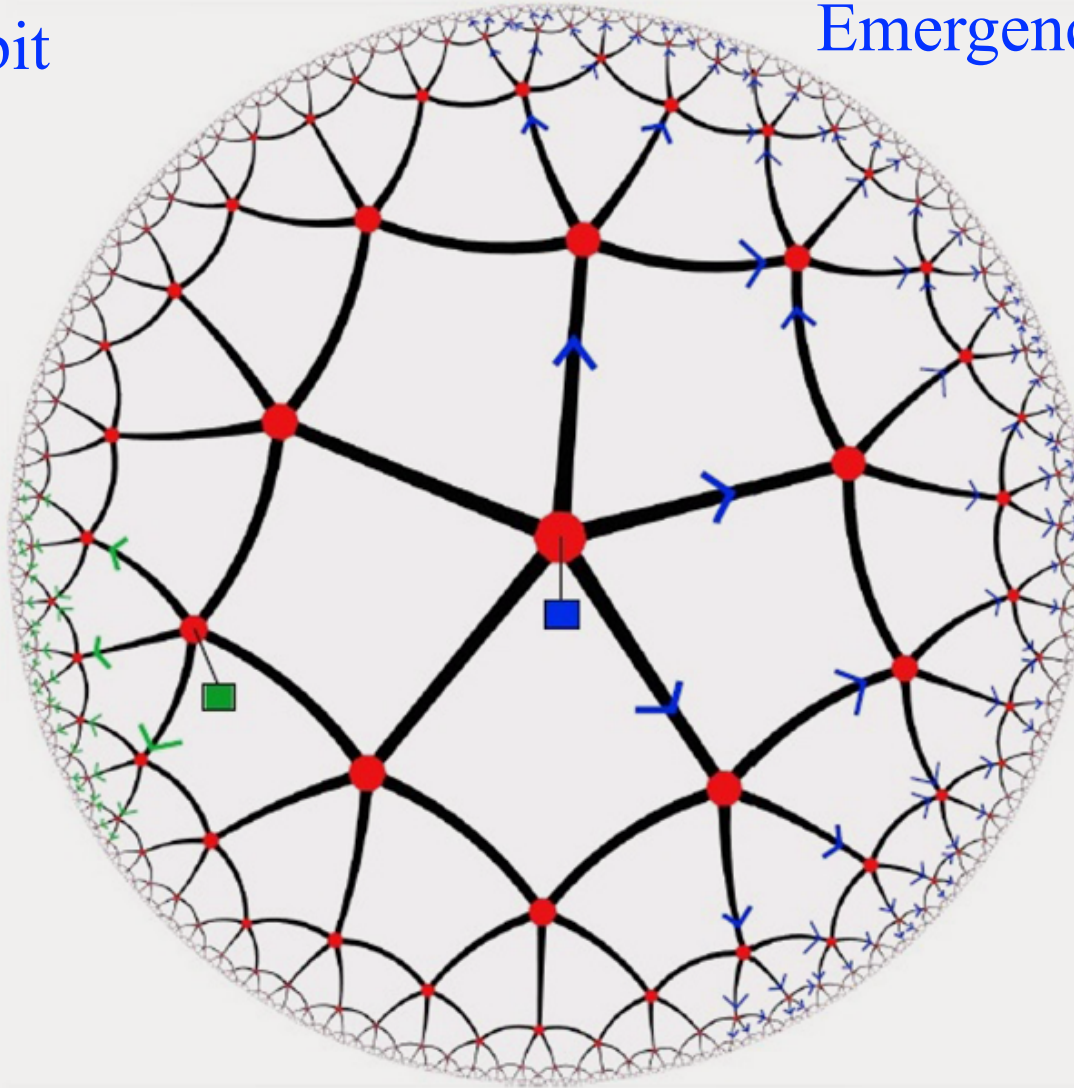
Outline

- ❖ Motivations and Background
- ❖ Circuit Complexity and Holographic Complexity
- ❖ Complexity=Anything
- ❖ Singularity Probes

01. Motivation- “Quantum Circuit”

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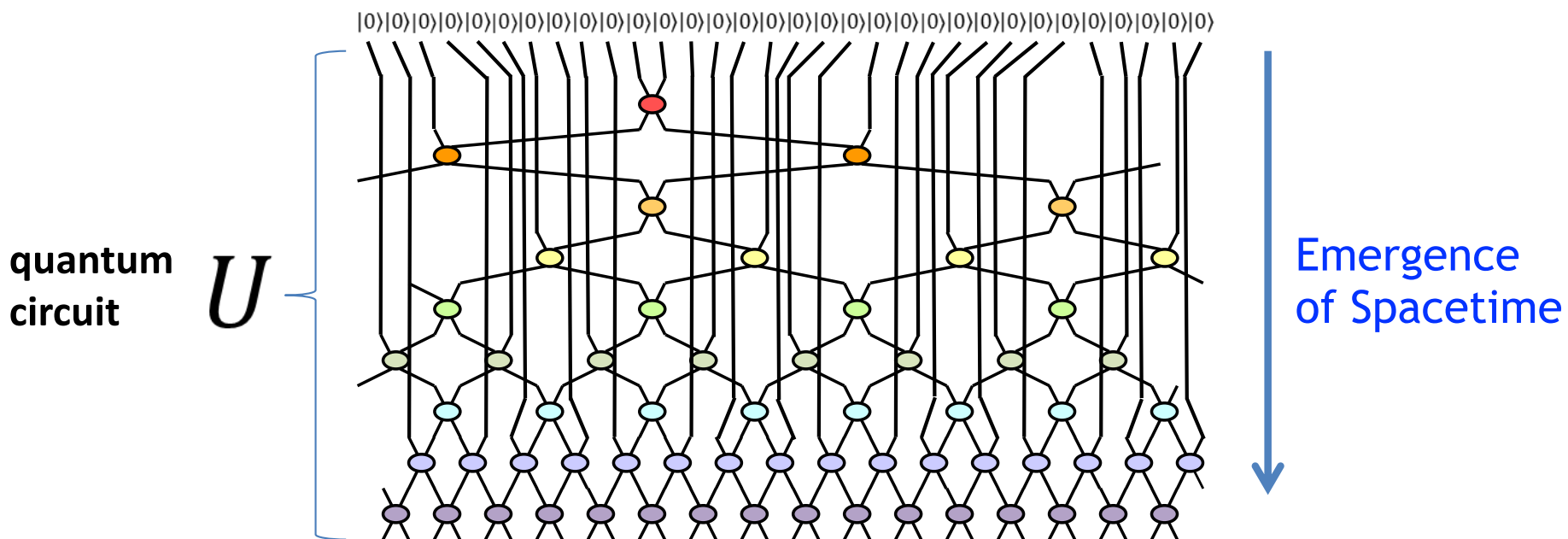
Emergence of Spacetime



01. Motivation- “Quantum Circuit”

AdS/MERA (Multiscale Entanglement Renormalization Ansatz)

$|\Psi_R\rangle = |0\rangle|0\rangle|0\rangle\cdots|0\rangle$ ←→ no entanglement

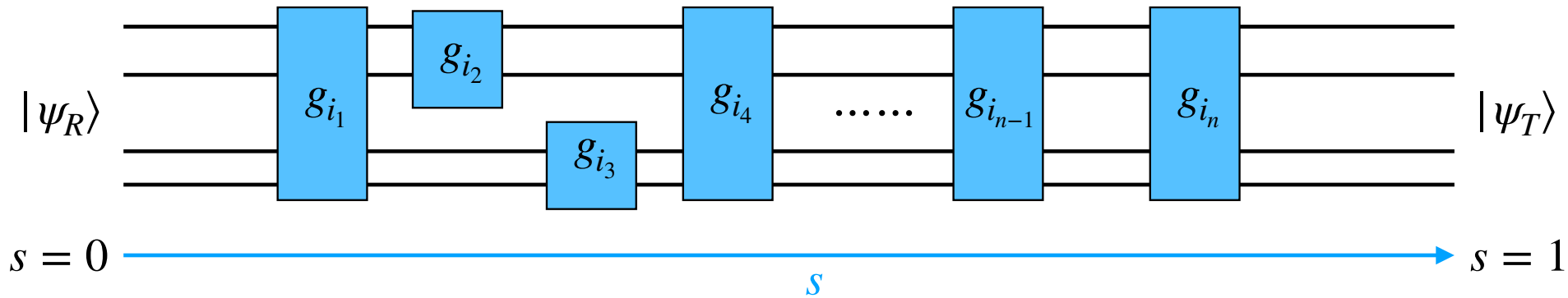


$|\Psi_T\rangle = |\Omega\rangle$ ←→ AdS/CFT AdS spacetime

$|\Psi_T\rangle = |TFD\rangle$ AdS Black hole

01. Motivation- Quantum Circuit

Quantum Circuit



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Target state

Gates

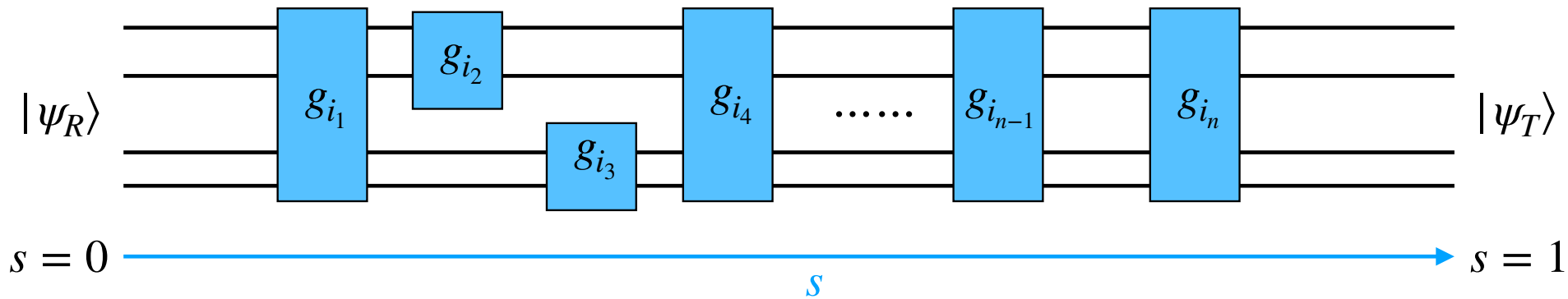
Reference state

02. Circuit Complexity

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Quantum Circuit



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Circuit Complexity

The **minimal** number(cost) of gates in quantum circuits $|\Psi_R\rangle \longrightarrow |\Psi_T\rangle \equiv U_{TR} |\Psi_R\rangle$

02. Circuit Complexity in QFT

Nielsen's Geometric Approach

Nielsen and collaborators, quant-ph/0603161; R. Jefferson, R. Myers, 1707.08570

Quantum Circuit in QFTs

$$|\Psi_R\rangle \longrightarrow |\Psi_T\rangle \equiv U_{TR}|\Psi_R\rangle$$

A. Continuous construction of the unitary transformations for the target state

$$U(\sigma) = \overleftarrow{\mathcal{P}} \exp \left[-i \int_0^\sigma ds \mathcal{H}(s) \right], \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{H}(s) = \sum_I Y^I(s) \mathcal{O}_I$$

B. Find the optimal circuit: minimize the cost function of circuits

“geodesic” in the space of unitaries/states

02. Circuit Complexity in QFT

What is Circuit Complexity?

The minimal number of gates in quantum circuits for $|\Psi_R\rangle \longrightarrow |\Psi_T\rangle \equiv U_{TR}|\Psi_R\rangle$

Circuit Complexity: $\mathcal{C}(|\Psi_T\rangle) = \min \mathcal{D}(U(\sigma)) = \min \int_0^1 ds F(U(s), Y^I(s))$

For other approaches toward the complexity in QFT, see eg, :

[1707.08582](#), S. Chapman, M. P. Heller, H. Marrochio and F. Pastawski;

[1703.00456](#), [1706.07056](#), P. Caputa, N. Kundu, M. Miyaji, T. Takayanagi, K. Watanabe;

02. Circuit Complexity

Why Circuit Complexity?

Free Choices (Ambiguities)?

References State?

Set of Gates?

Cost Functions?

Unentangled State?

Minimal Set?

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02. Circuit Complexity

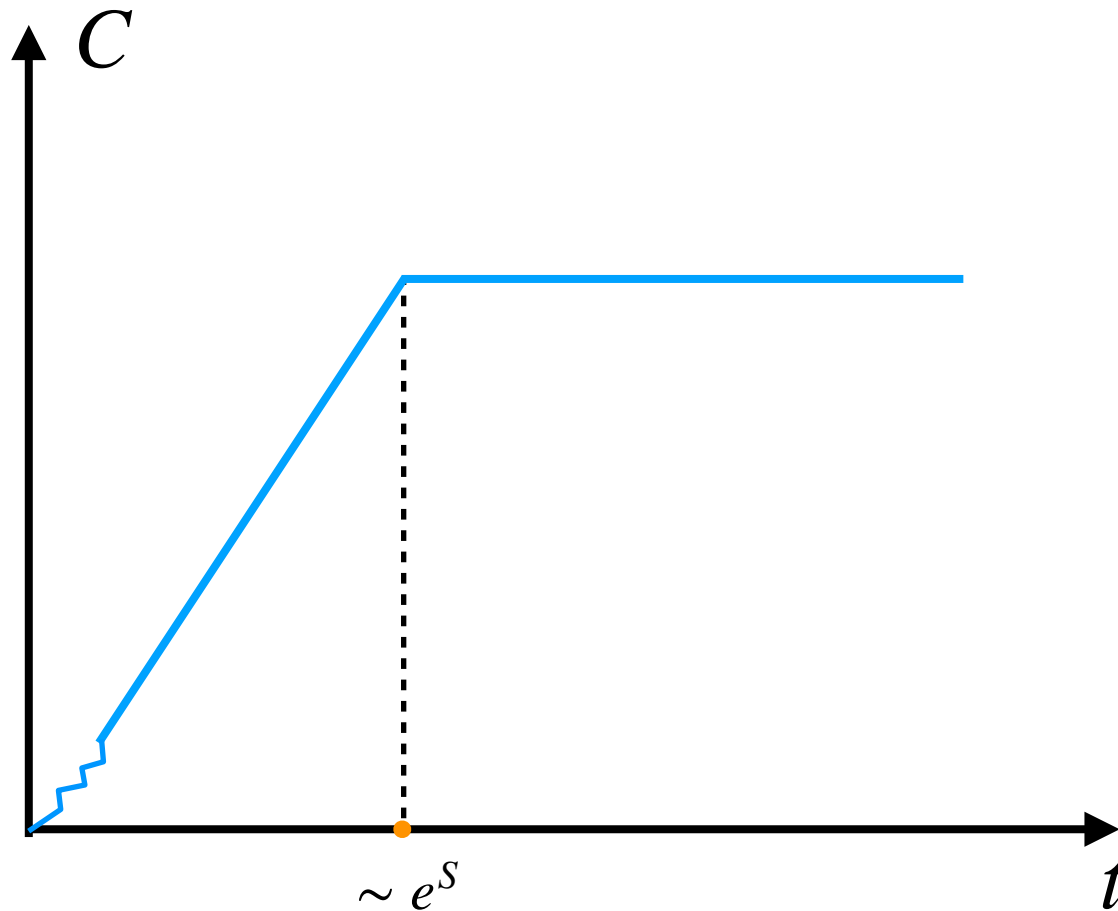
Why Circuit Complexity?

Universalities: Linear growth and Switchback effect

02. Universalities: Linear Growth

A conjecture of the time evolution of complexity

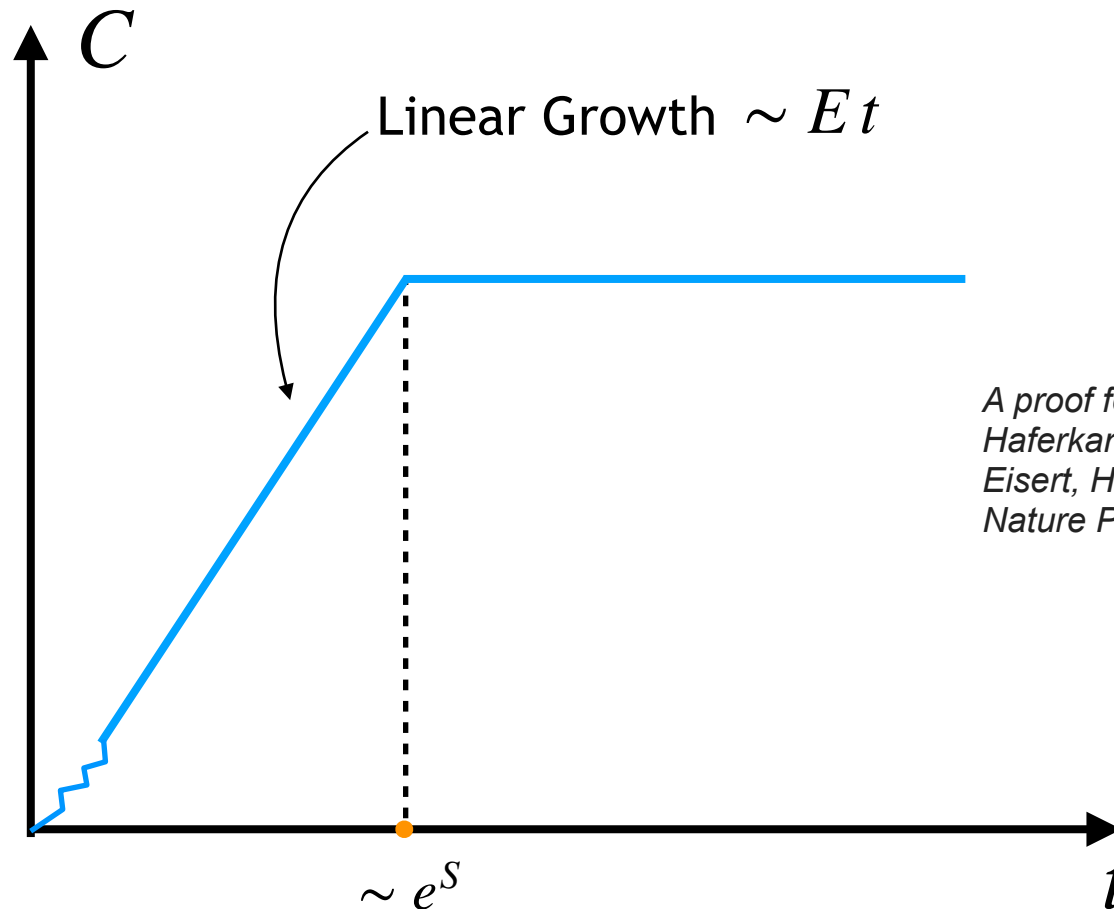
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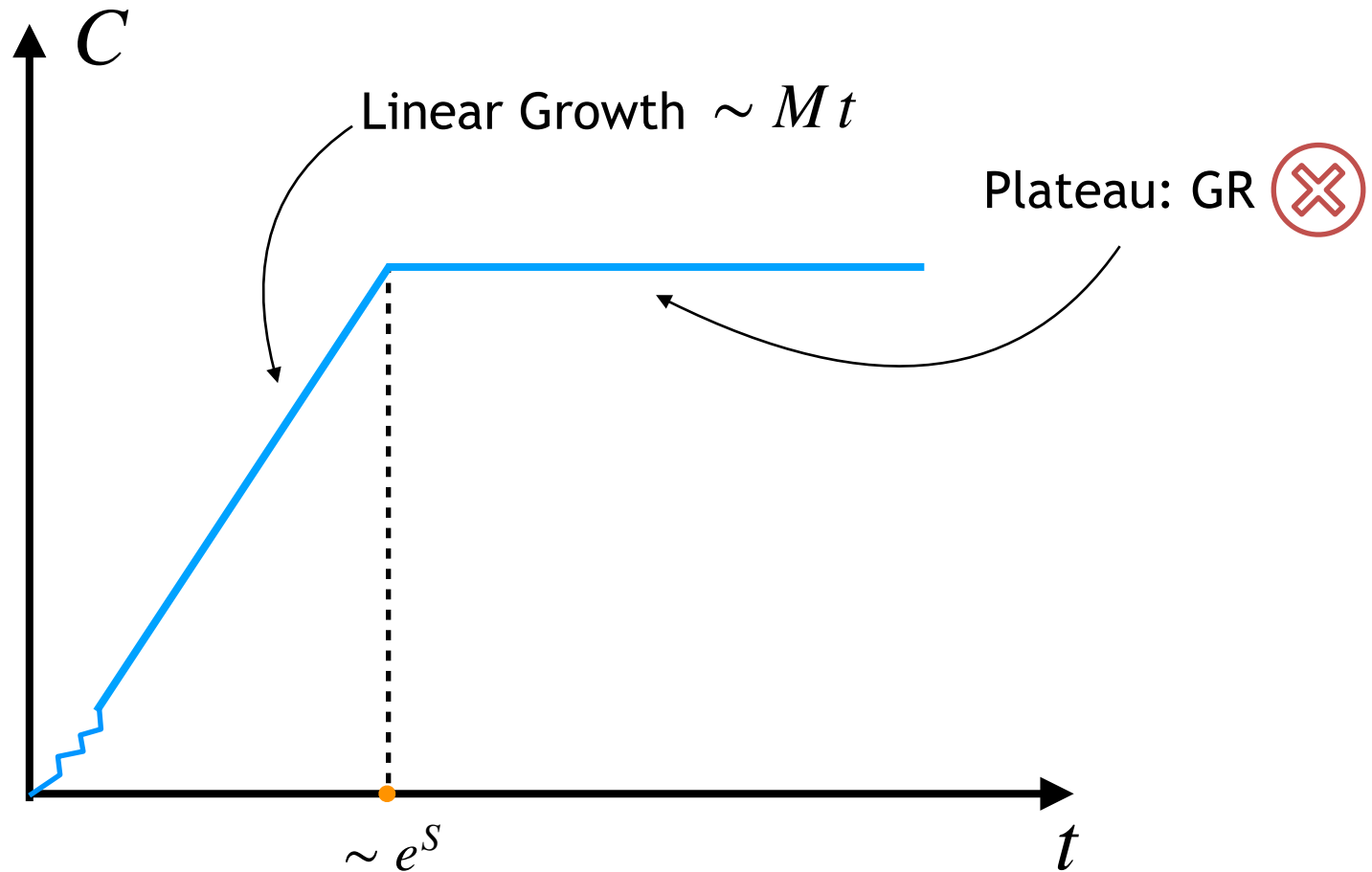


*A proof for random circuits of qubits
Haferkamp, Faist, Kothakonda,
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Nature Physics, 18(5), 528-532*

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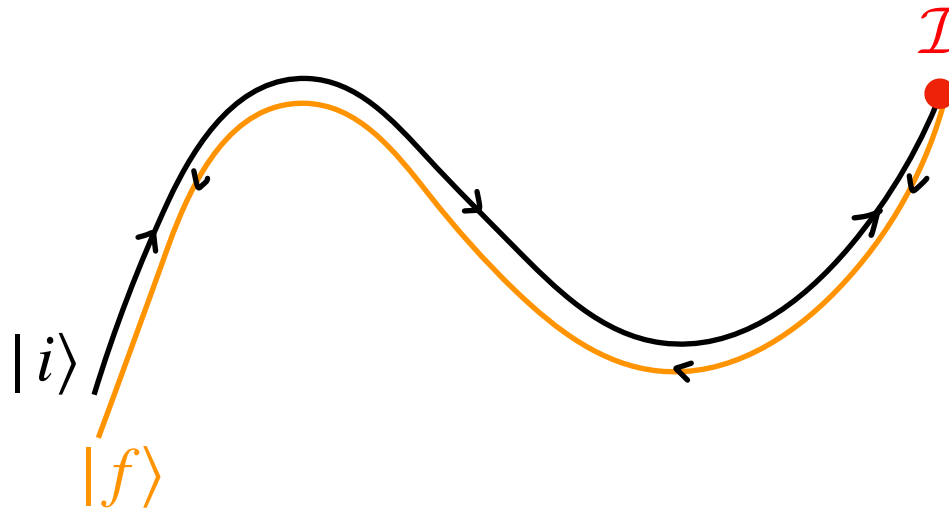
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02. Universalities: Switchback Effect

Switchback Effect

Complexity of a precursor $\mathcal{O}(t) = U(t) \mathcal{O} U^\dagger(t)$, $U(t) = e^{-iHt}$

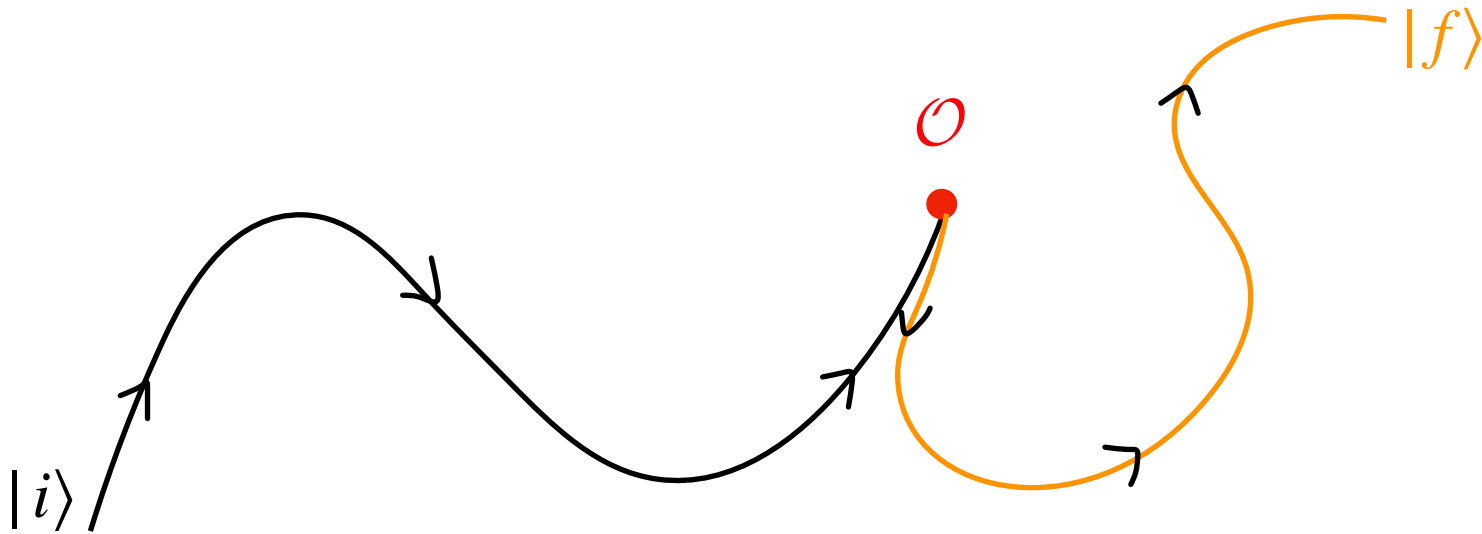


$$\mathcal{C} \sim 0$$

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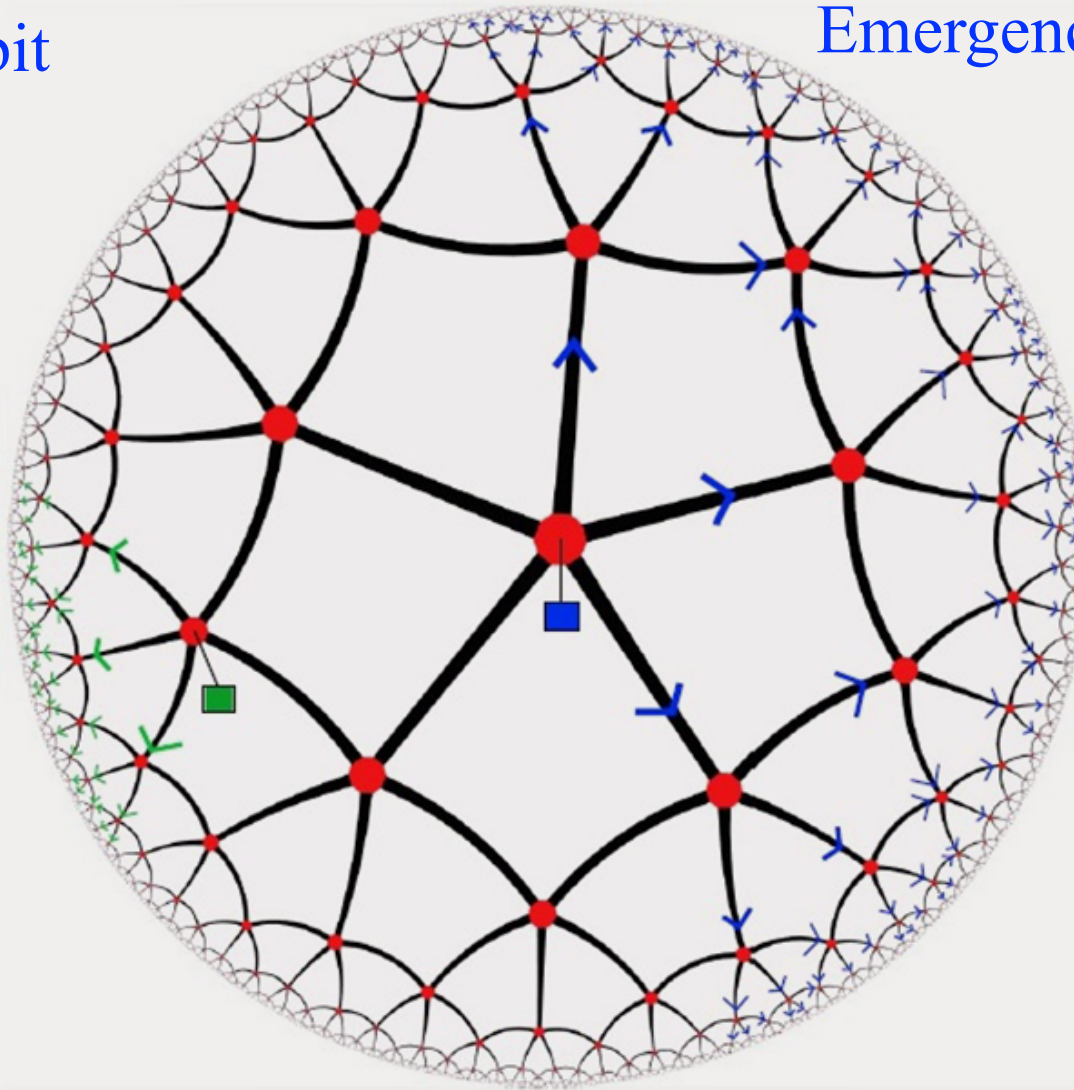
$$\mathcal{C} \sim 0, \quad t < t_{\text{scr}}$$

$$\mathcal{C} \sim 2M(t - t_{\text{scr}}), \quad t \gg t_{\text{scr}}$$

02. “Quantum Circuit”

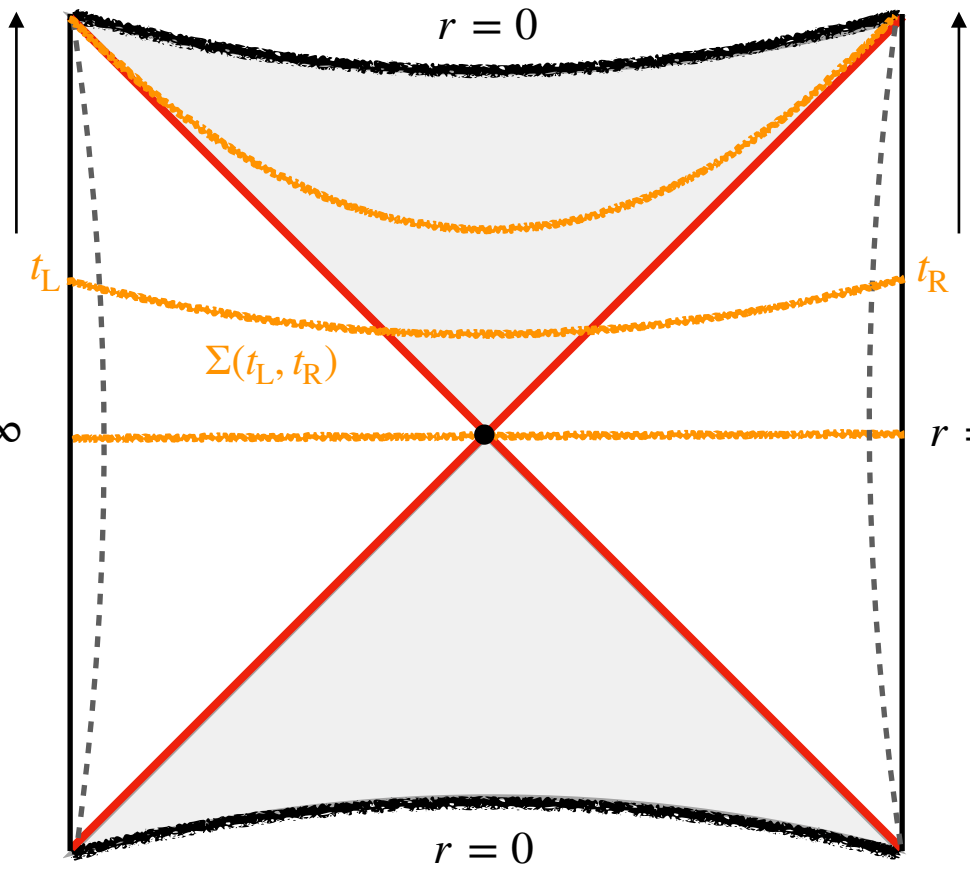
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02. Holographic Complexity

Susskind, Stanford: arXiv: 1406.2678

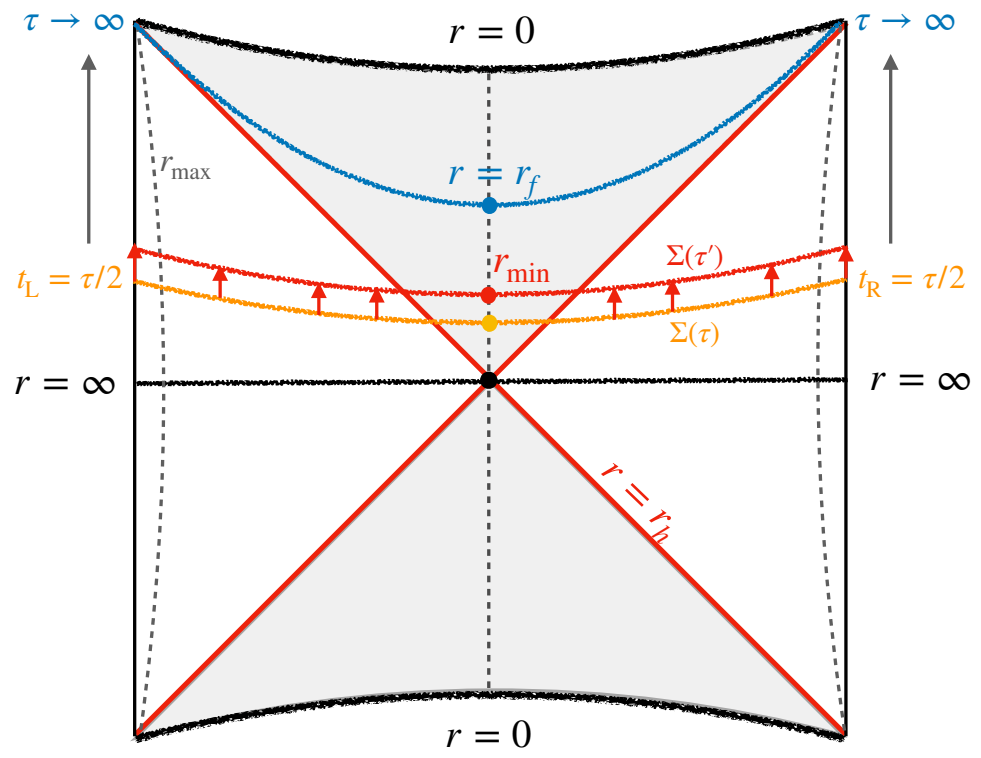


Complexity = Volume Conjecture

$$\mathcal{C}_V(\Sigma_{\text{CFT}}) = \max_{\Sigma_{\text{CFT}} = \partial \mathcal{B}} \left[\frac{\mathcal{V}(\mathcal{B})}{G_N \ell_{\text{bulk}}} \right]$$

02. Holographic Complexity

$$|\psi_{\text{TFD}}(\tau)\rangle = \sum_{E_n} e^{-\beta E_n/2 - iE_n\tau} |n\rangle_{\text{L}} \otimes |n\rangle_{\text{R}}$$



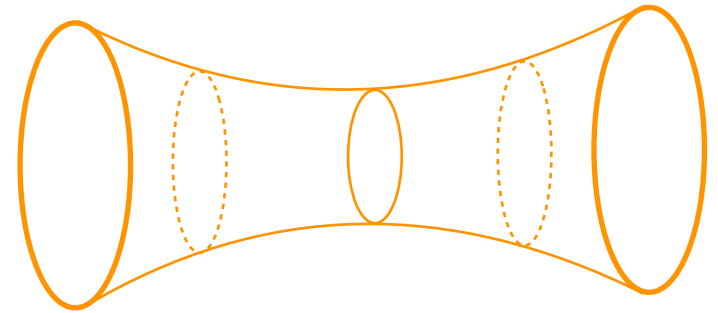
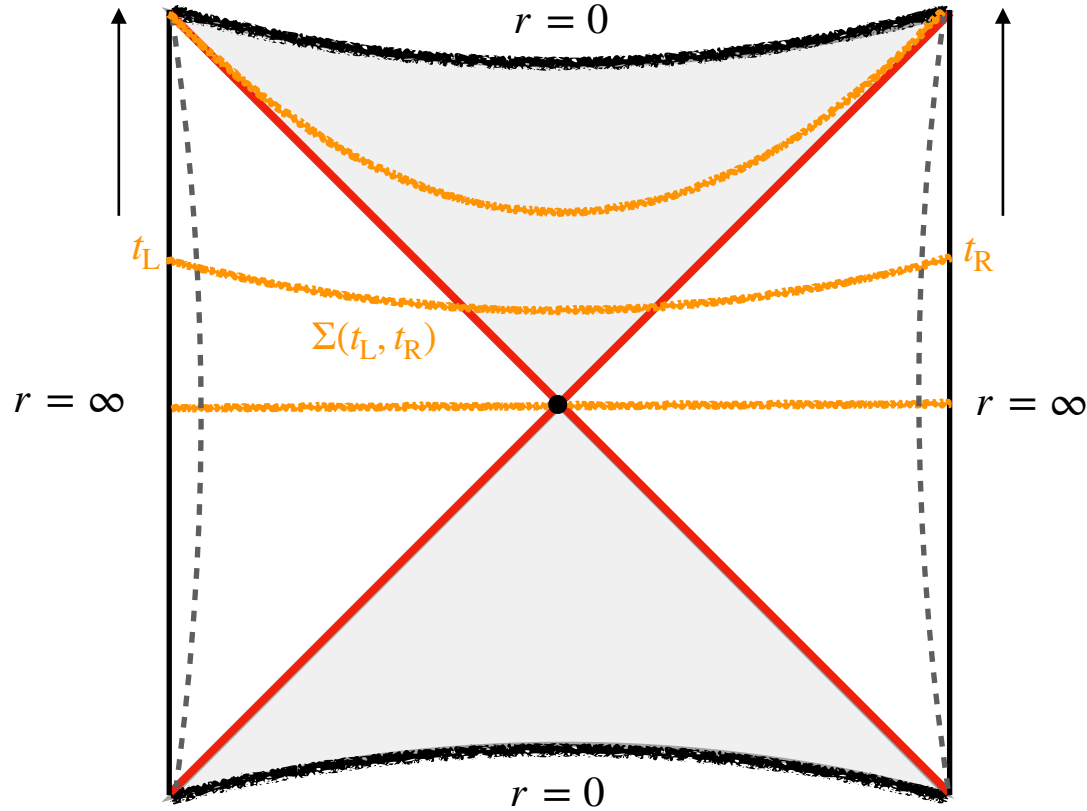
$$\mathcal{C}_V = \max \left[\frac{\mathcal{V}}{G_N \ell_{\text{bulk}}} \right]$$

Linear growth at late times

$$\mathcal{C}_V \sim M(t_L + t_R) + \mathcal{O}(1)$$

02. Holographic Complexity

Universality: Linear growth of the size of wormhole



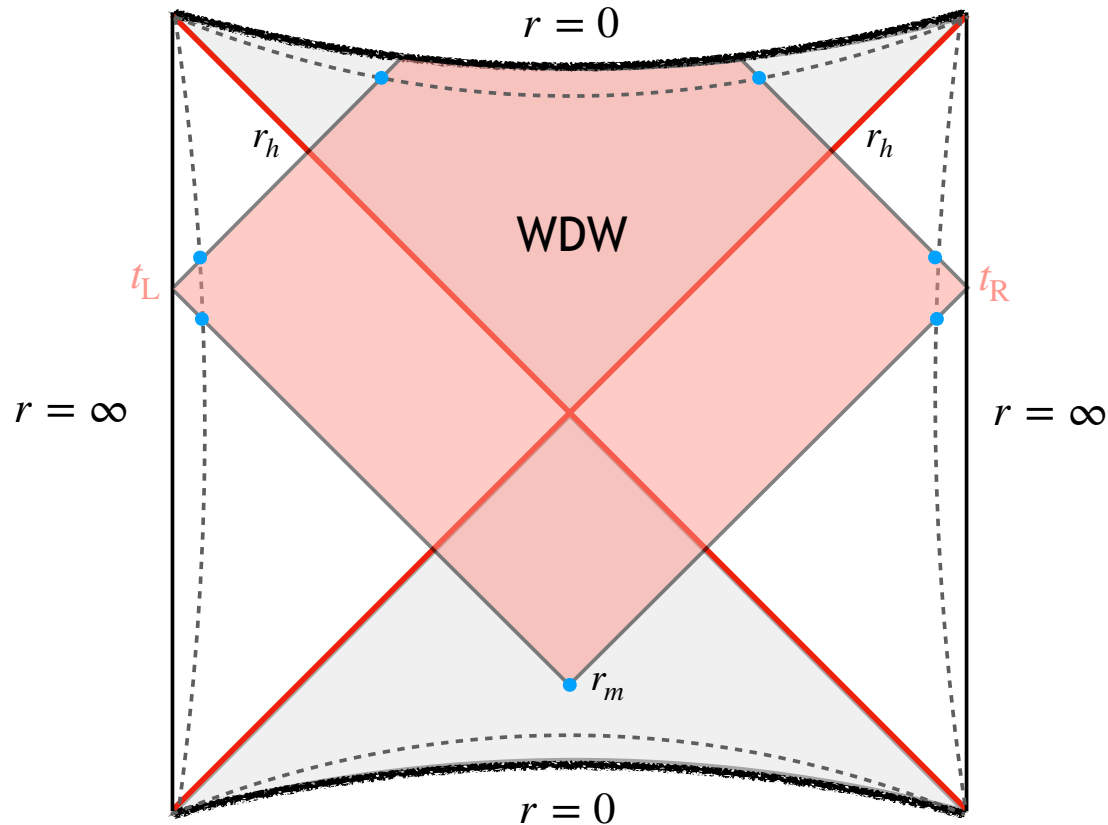
size $\sim t_L + t_R$

Geometries behind the horizon

02. Holographic Complexity

Susskind et al: arXiv:1509.07876; 1512.04993

Wheeler-DeWitt patch



Complexity = Action Conjecture

$$\mathcal{C}_A = \frac{I_{\text{WDW}}}{\pi \hbar}$$

Full gravitational action

$$I = I_{\text{bulk}} + I_{\text{GHY}} + I_{\kappa} + I_{\text{ct}} + I_{\text{jt}}$$

Lehner, Myers, Possion and Sorkin
arXiv:1609.00207

03. Complexity Equals Anything

Ambiguities: Complexity Equals Anything?

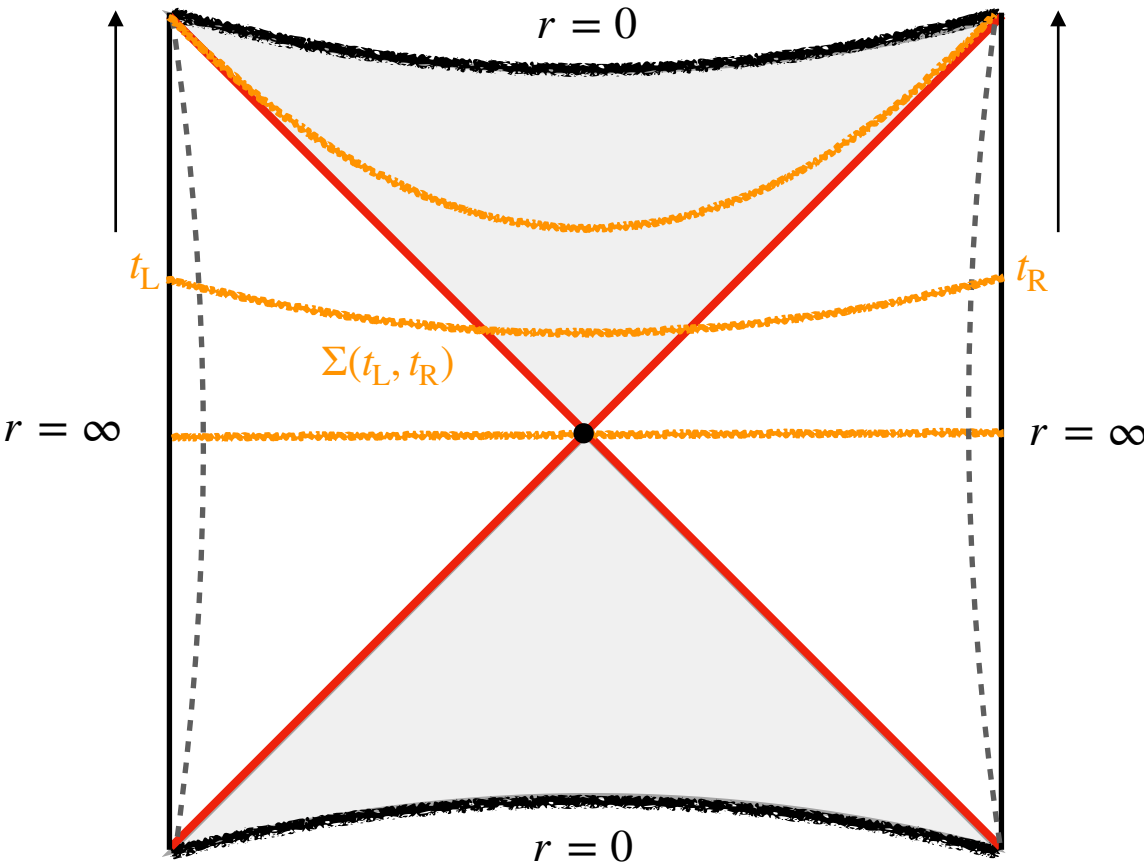
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03. Complexity Equals Anything

$$O_{F_1, \Sigma_{F_2}}(\Sigma_{\text{CFT}}) = \frac{1}{G_N L} \int_{\Sigma_{F_2}} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} F_1(g_{\mu\nu}; X^\mu)$$

arXiv:2111.02429, A. Berlin, R. Myers,
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Extremal hypersurface

$$\delta_x \left(\int_{\Sigma} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} F_2(g_{\mu\nu}; X^\mu) \right) = 0$$

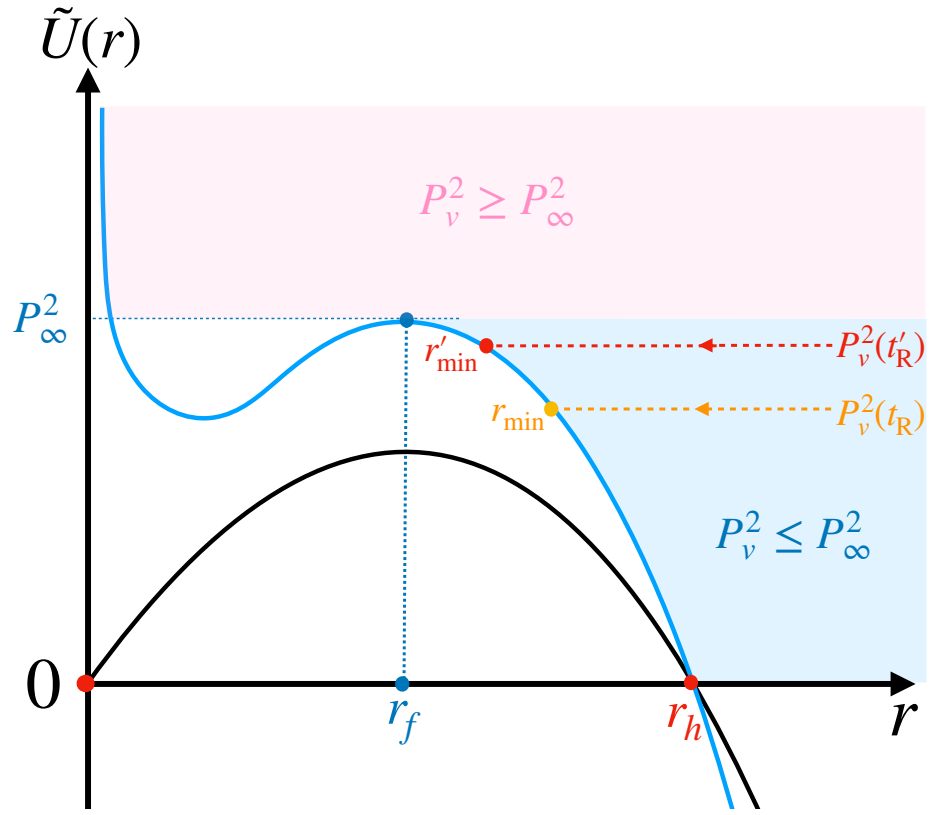
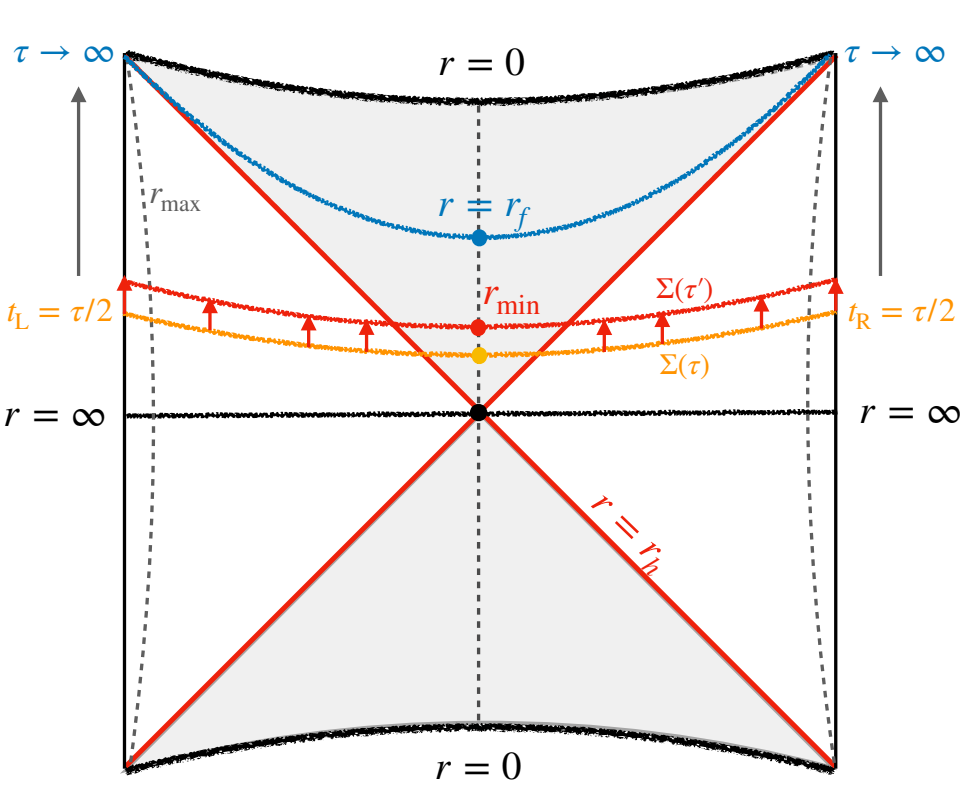
$$F_1 = F_2 = 1$$

$$\mathcal{C}_V = \max \left[\frac{\mathcal{V}}{G_N \ell_{\text{bulk}}} \right]$$

03. Complexity Equals Anything

A classical non-relativistic particle with a effective potential

$$\dot{r}^2 + \tilde{U}(r) = P_v^2 \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{U}(r) = -f(r)a^2(r) \left(\frac{r}{L}\right)^{2(d-1)}$$



03. Complexity Equals Anything

$$F_1 = F_2 : \quad \mathcal{C}_{\text{gen}}(\tau) = \max_{\partial\Sigma(\tau)=\Sigma_\tau} \left[\frac{1}{G_{\text{NL}}} \int_{\Sigma} d^d\sigma \sqrt{h} F_1(g_{\mu\nu}; X^\mu(\sigma)) \right]$$

Time Evolution:

$$\frac{d\mathcal{C}_{\text{gen}}}{d\tau} = \text{boundary term}|_{\partial\Sigma} = \frac{V_x}{G_{\text{NL}}} P_v(\tau)$$

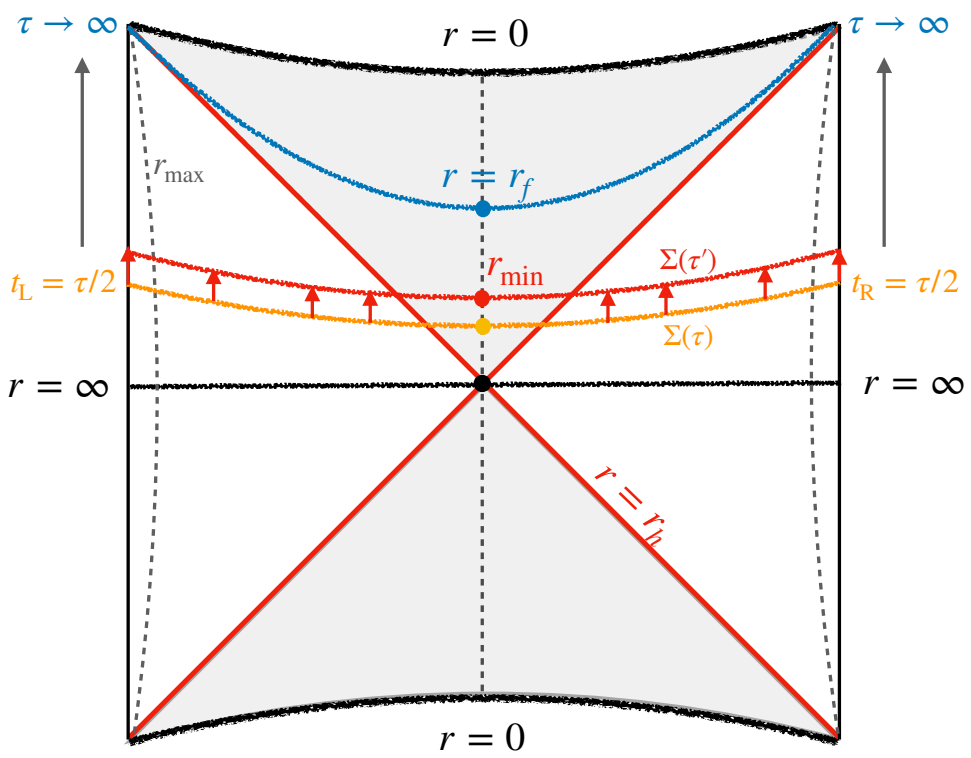
Linear Growth at late times:

$$\lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d\mathcal{C}_{\text{gen}}}{d\tau} = \text{constant} = \frac{V_x}{G_{\text{NL}}} P_\infty$$

corrections

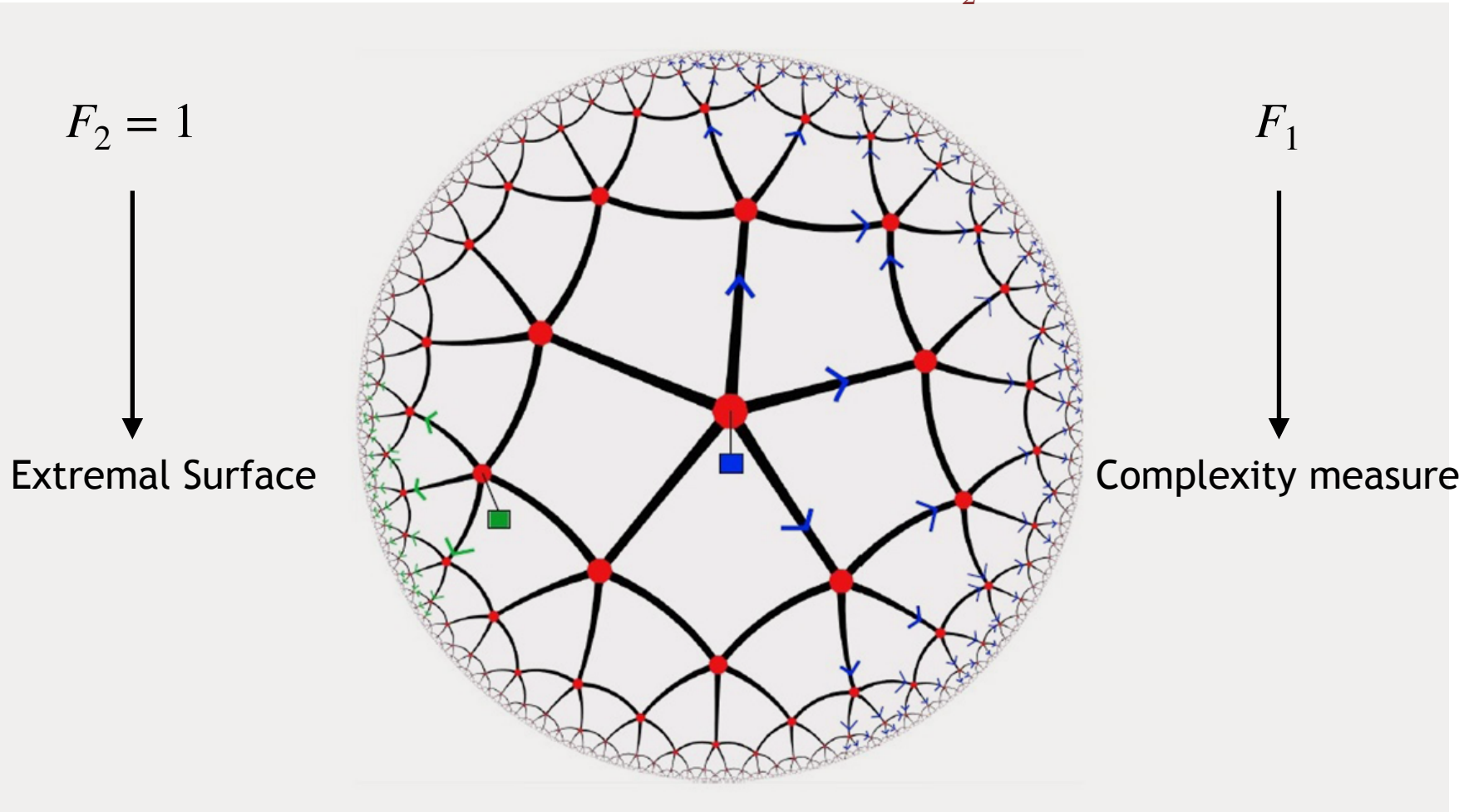
$$P_\infty - P_v(\tau) \propto e^{-\kappa\tau},$$

$$\text{with } \kappa = \frac{-f(r_f) \sqrt{-2\tilde{U}''(r_f)}}{P_\infty}$$



03. Complexity Equals Anything

$$F_1 \neq F_2 \quad O_{F_1, \Sigma_{F_2}}(\Sigma_{\text{CFT}}) = \frac{1}{G_{\text{NL}}} \int_{\Sigma_{F_2}} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} F_1(g_{\mu\nu}; X^\mu)$$



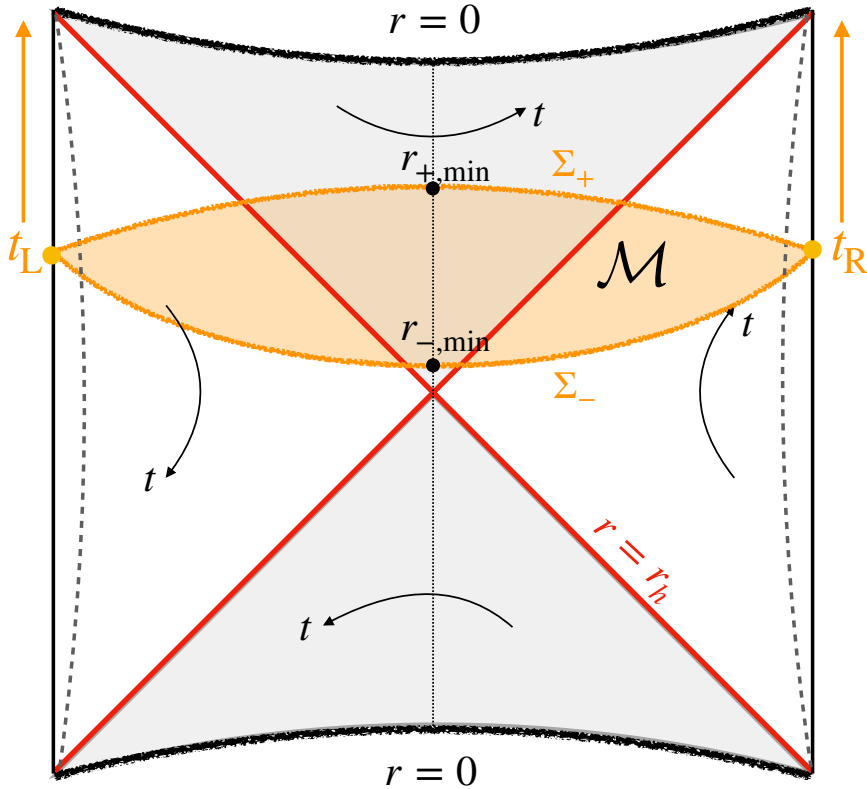
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A generic codimension-zero gravitational observables:

$$O [G_1, F_{1,\pm}, \mathcal{M}_{G_2, F_{2,\pm}}] (\Sigma_{\text{CFT}}) = \frac{1}{G_{\text{NL}}} \int_{\Sigma_{+[G_2, F_{2,+}]}} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} F_{1,+} (g_{\mu\nu}; X_+^\mu) + \frac{1}{G_{\text{NL}}} \int_{\Sigma_{-[G_2, F_{2,-}]}} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} F_{1,-} (g_{\mu\nu}; X_-^\mu) + \frac{1}{G_{\text{NL}}^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}_{G_2, F_{2,\pm}}} d^{d+1} x \sqrt{g} G_1 (g_{\mu\nu})$$

Codimension-one

Codimension-zero



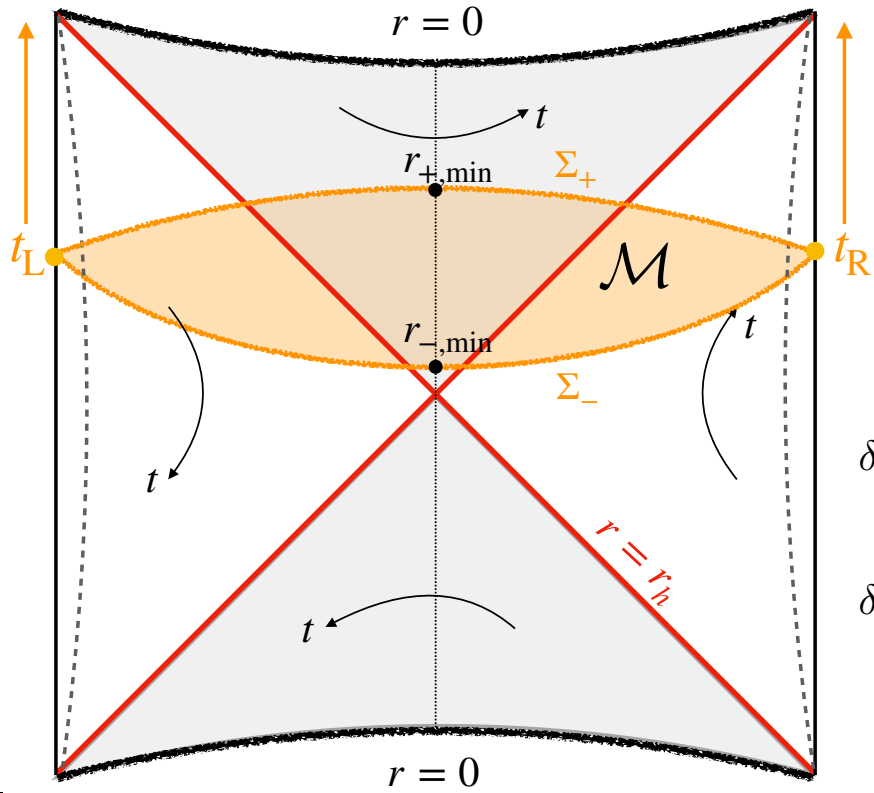
Extremal Codimension-zero Subregion

$$\delta_{\mathbf{x}_{\pm}} [W_{G_2, F_{2,\pm}} (\mathcal{M})] = 0$$

03. Complexity Equals Anything

Stokes' theorem
$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} G_2(g_{\mu\nu}) = L \int_{\Sigma_+ \cup \Sigma_- = \partial \mathcal{M}} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} \tilde{G}_2(g_{\mu\nu}; X^\mu)$$

Poincaré lemma: every top form on non-compact orientable manifold is always exact.



Extremal codimension-zero subregion:



Two independent extremal surfaces

$$\delta_{x_+} \left[\int_{\Sigma_+} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} \left(F_{2,+}(g_{\mu\nu}; X_+^\mu) + \tilde{G}_2(g_{\mu\nu}; X_+^\mu) \right) \right] = 0,$$

$$\delta_{X_-} \left[\int_{\Sigma_-} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} \left(F_{2,-}(g_{\mu\nu}; X_-^\mu) - \tilde{G}_2(g_{\mu\nu}; X_-^\mu) \right) \right] = 0.$$

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Ambiguities: Complexity Equals Anything

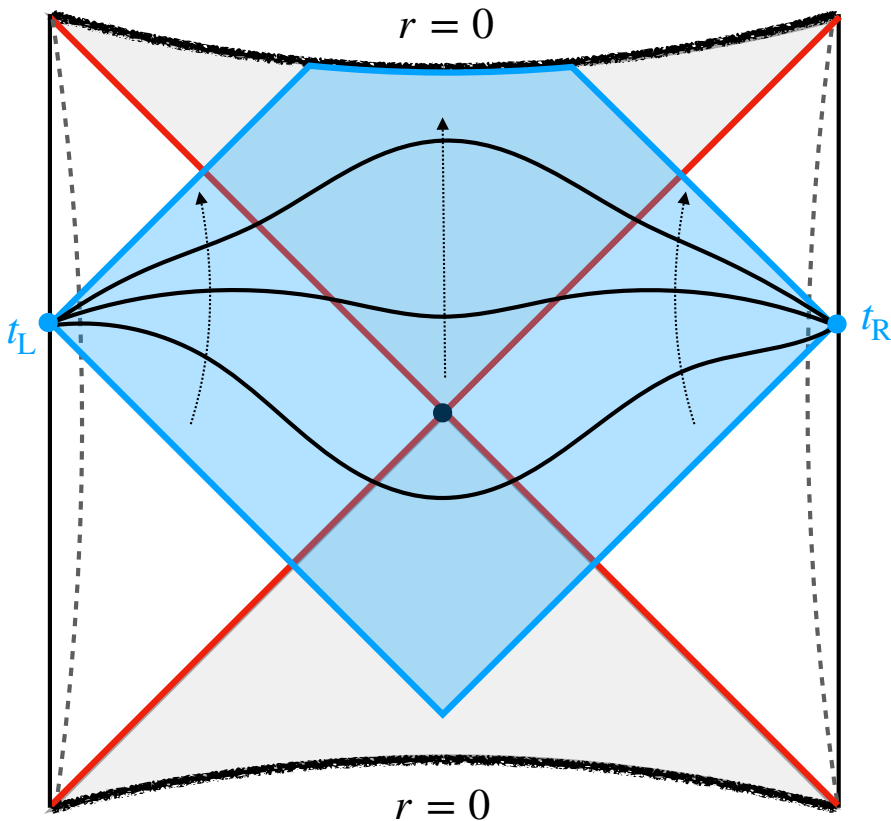
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For two-sided AdS BH: $\lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \frac{dO}{d\tau} \sim M + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\kappa\tau})$

- Universalities:**
- 01. Linear growth at late times
 - 02. Switchback effect in shockwave geometries

04. Singularity Probe

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_{\text{gen}} &= \frac{1}{G_N L} \int_{\Sigma} F_1 (g_{\mu\nu}, \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}, \nabla_{\mu}) \sqrt{h} d^d y \\ &= \frac{V_x}{G_N L} \int d\sigma \left(\frac{r}{L}\right)^{d-1} \sqrt{-f(r)\dot{v}^2 + 2\dot{v}\dot{r} a(r)} \end{aligned}$$



(Maximal) extremal hypersurface



Singularity

Singularity Probe:

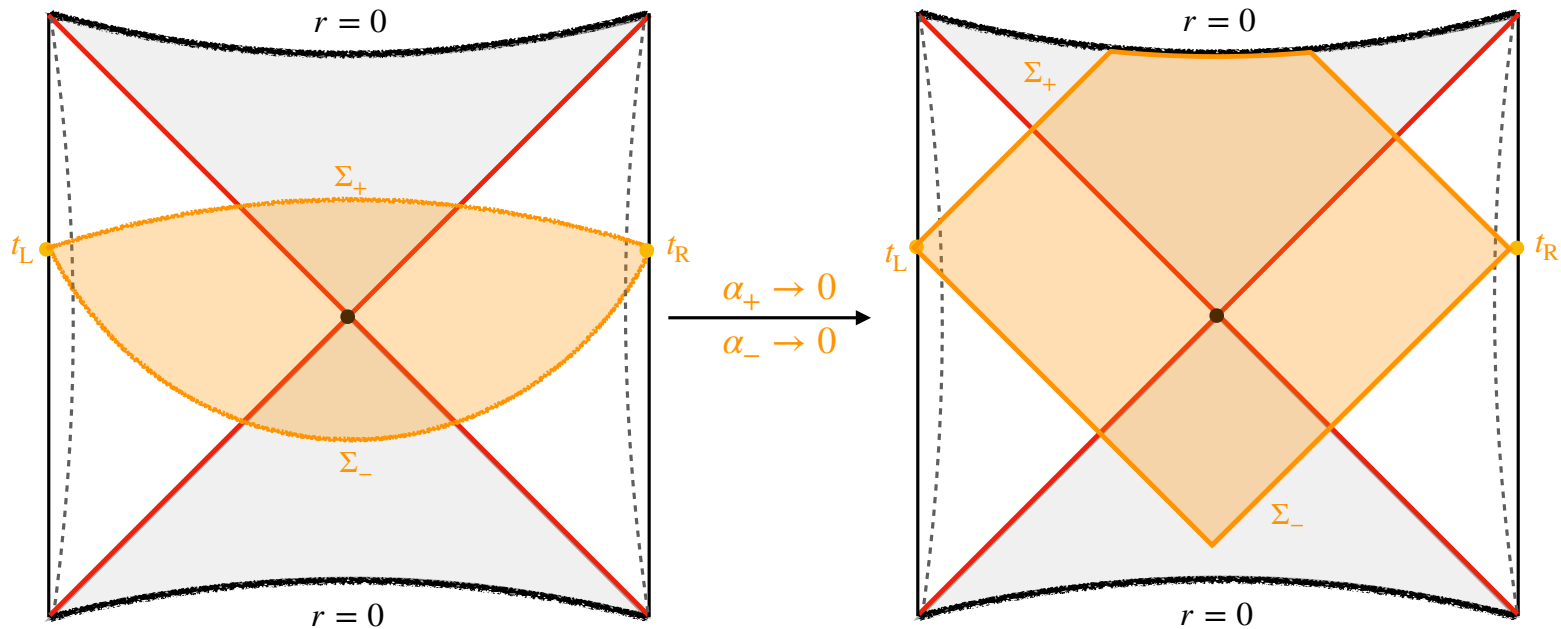
01. Asymptotic geometries near the singularity
02. Distinguish spacelike/timelike singularity

04. Singularity Probes

Simplest Example: $F = G = 1$
 Spacetime volume between CMC slices

$$C_{\text{gen}} = \frac{1}{G_{\text{N}}L} \left[\alpha_+ \int_{\Sigma_+} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} + \alpha_- \int_{\Sigma_-} d^d \sigma \sqrt{h} + \frac{\alpha_{\text{B}}}{L} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^{d+1} x \sqrt{-g} \right],$$

Extremization Conditions: $K_{\Sigma_+} = \frac{\alpha_{\text{B}}}{\alpha_+ L}$, $K_{\Sigma_-} = -\frac{\alpha_{\text{B}}}{\alpha_- L}$ constant mean curvature (CMC)



Lessons and Questions

- Infinite Gravitational Observables
- Finding extremal hypersurface \rightarrow EoMs of a classical particle
- Linear Growth & Switchback effect
- Two Independent Measures: Extremal Surface + Complexity Measure
- All as candidates for holographic complexity?
- Higher curvature corrections & Quantum corrections C_{bulk} ?
- A derivation of holographic complexity?
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Thanks for your attention!