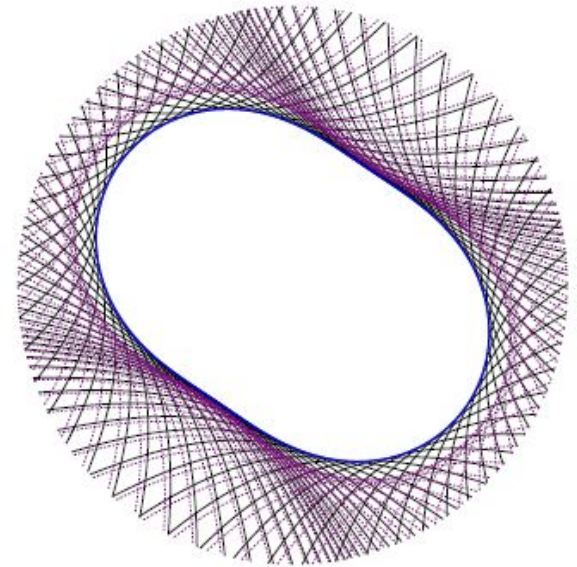
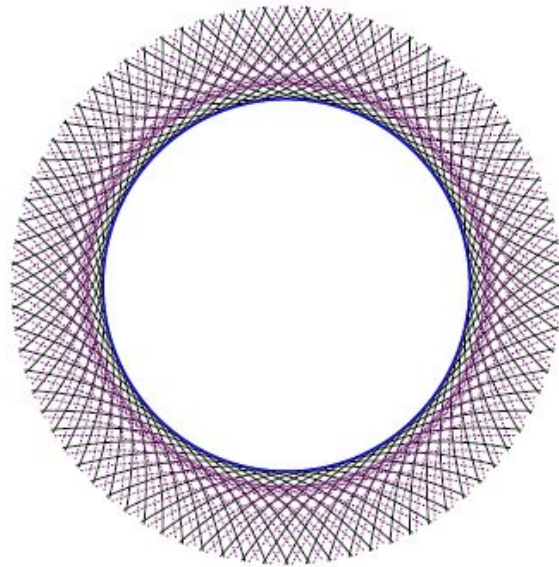
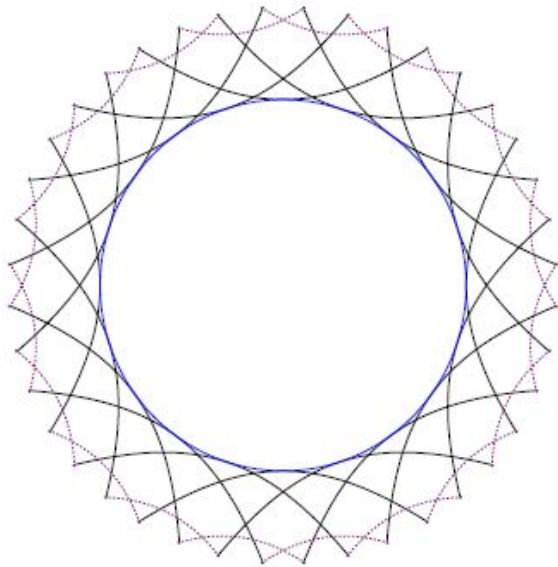


# ASPECTS OF BULK RECONSTRUCTION FOR SUBREGIONS



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In this talk I will review recent works in the program of “HOLE-OGRAPHY”, which aims to RECONSTRUCT SPACETIME USING QUANTUM ENTANGLEMENT, in the context of HOLOGRAPHY (or AdS/CFT)

Based on:

- 1) R. Espindola, A. Guijosa, A. Landetta, JP  
([arXiv:1708.02958](https://arxiv.org/abs/1708.02958))
- 2) R. Espindola, A. Guijosa, JP  
([arXiv:1804.05855](https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.05855))

# BULK RECONSTRUCTION

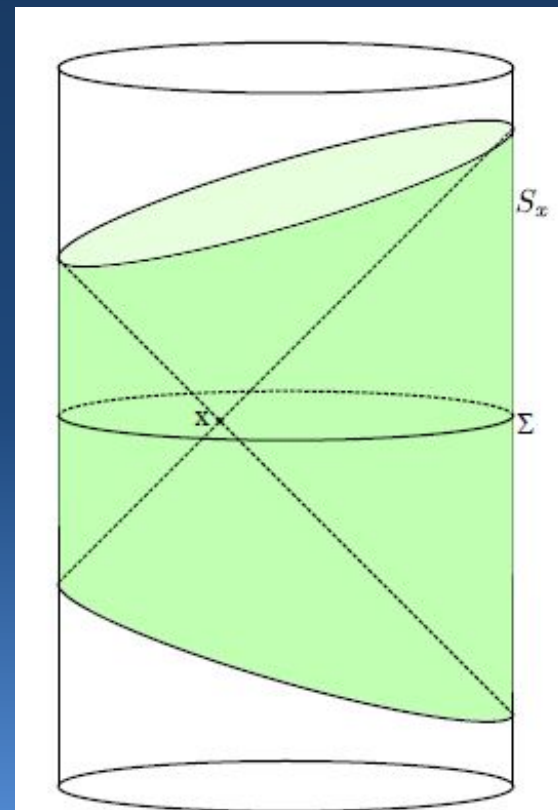
Two related but separate issues have been discussed:

## 1) Reconstruction of LOCAL BULK OPERATORS

HKLL prescription: smearing of CFT operator (UV/IR)

$$\varphi(x, z) = \int d^d x' K(x, z; x') O(x') + \dots$$

[Banks, Douglas, Horowitz, Martinec; Bena;  
Hamilton, Kabat, Lifschytz, Lowe x3; Morrison;  
Heemskerk, Marolf, Polchinski, Sully; Kabat, Lifschytz;  
etc.]



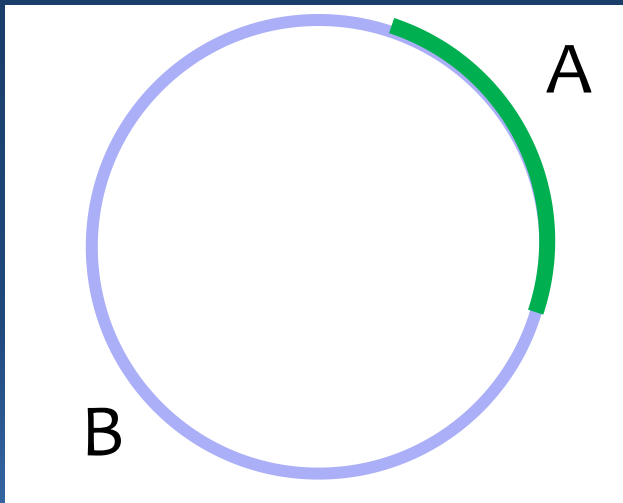
# BULK RECONSTRUCTION

## 2) Reconstruction of the BULK GEOMETRY itself

Entanglement entropy (for Einstein gravity)

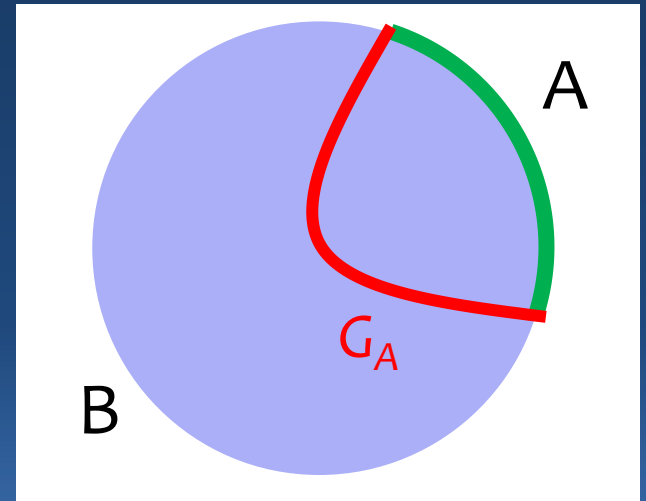
$$S_A = \frac{\text{Area of } \Gamma_A}{4G_N}$$

[Ryu, Takayanagi;  
Hubeny, Rangamani, Takayanagi;  
Lewkowycz, Maldacena;  
Dong, Lewkowycz, Rangamani]



CFT on circle

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GRAVITY THEORY on  
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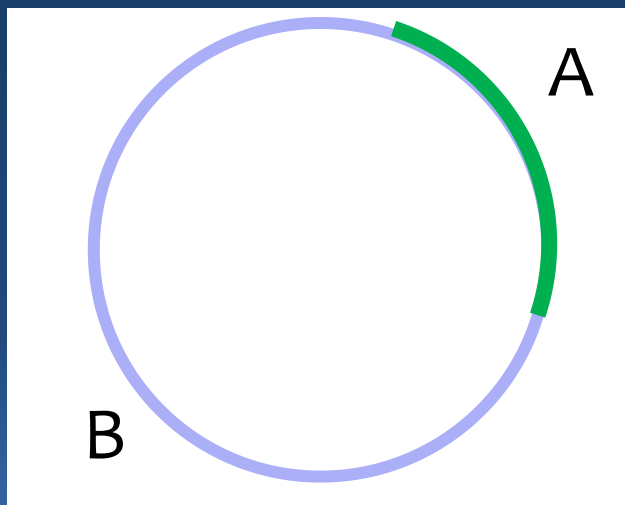
# BULK RECONSTRUCTION

## 2) Reconstruction of the BULK GEOMETRY itself

For simplicity, we'll work with a CFT in  $d=2$

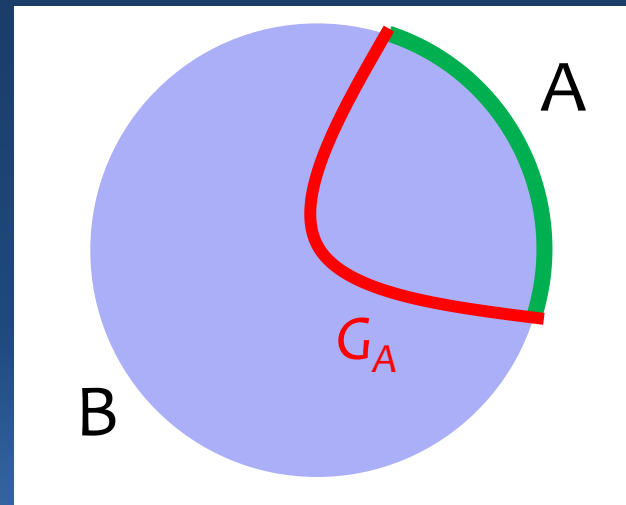
The dual geometry is 2+1 dim AdS

"Extremal surfaces" are then. GEODESICS



CFT on circle

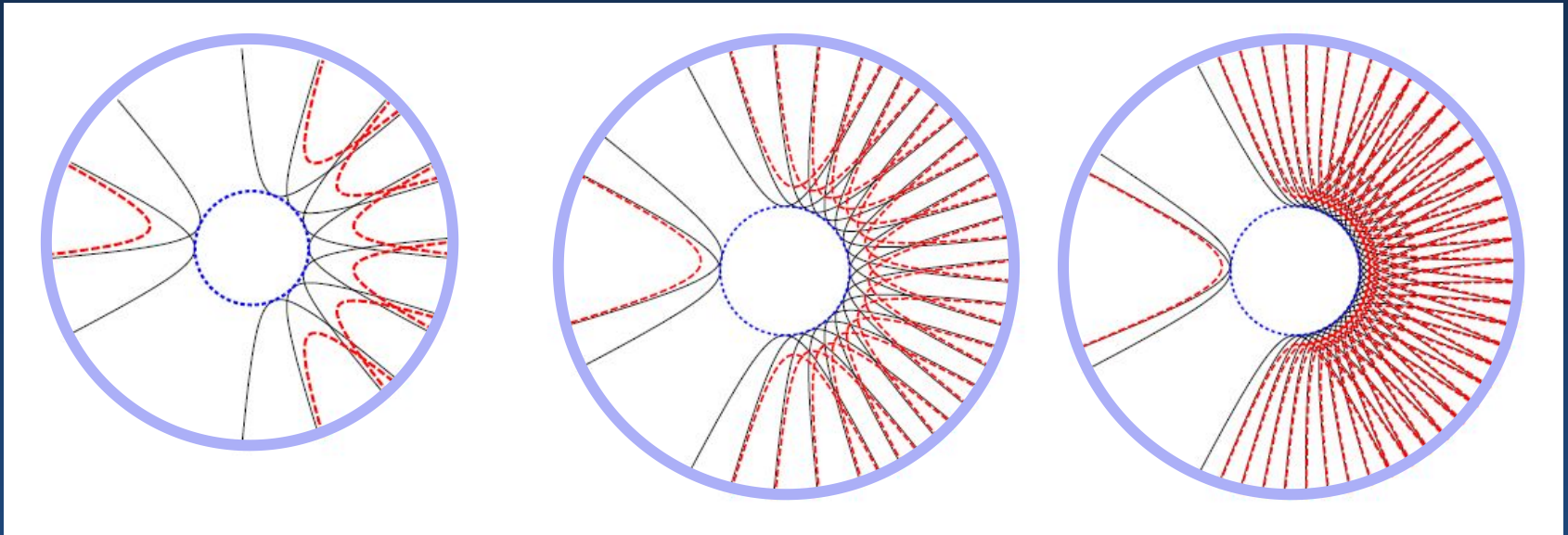
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# BULK RECONSTRUCTION

## 2) Reconstruction of the BULK GEOMETRY itself



‘HOLE-OGRAPHY’: to reconstruct ANY SPACELIKE CURVE, can add and subtract geodesics that are TANGENT to the curve.

Area encoded in ‘Differential Entropy’:  $E = A$

[Balasubramanian, Chowdhury, Czech, de Boer, Heller Myers, Rao, Sugishita; Czech, Dong, Sully; Czech, Lamprou, McCandlish, Sully; Headrick, Myers, Wien]

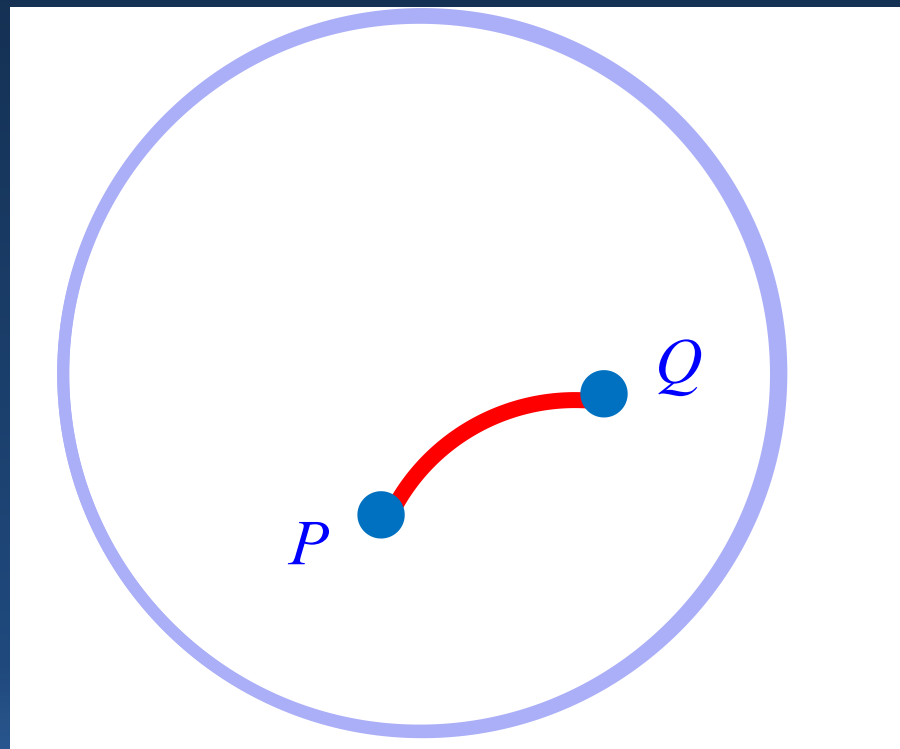
# BULK RECONSTRUCTION

## 2) Reconstruction of the BULK GEOMETRY itself

Once we have a closed curve,  
we can shrink it down to a  
**BULK POINT**

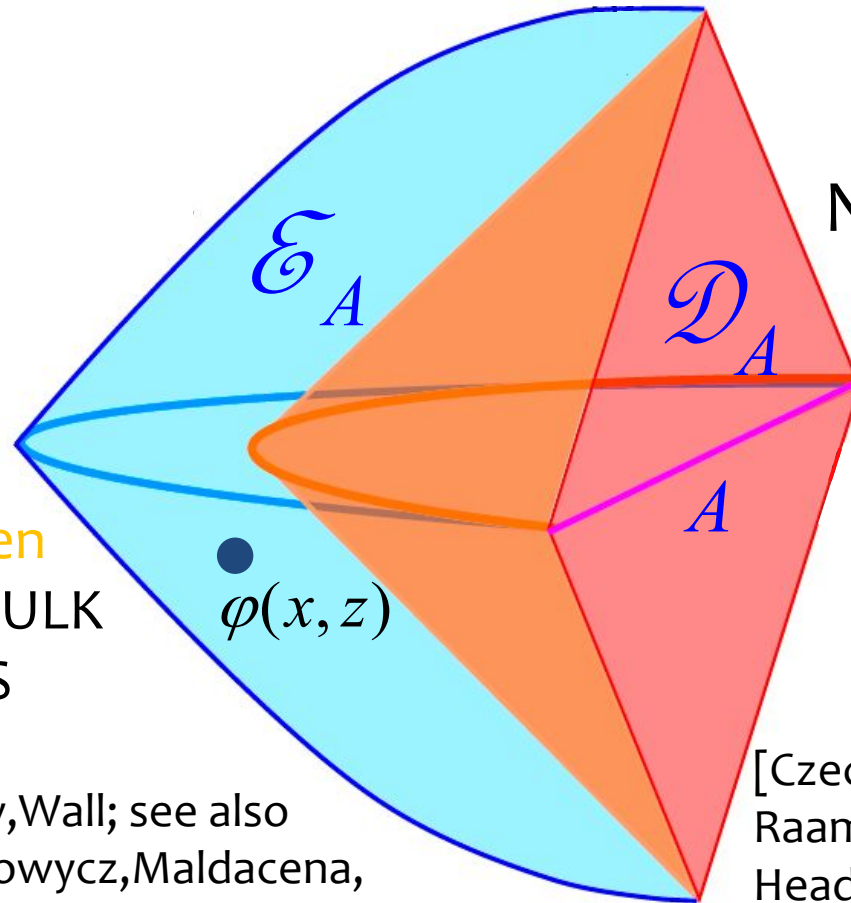
- It is possible to compute the **DISTANCE** between two bulk points  $P$  and  $Q$  in terms of the corresponding **DIFFERENTIAL ENTROPIES**

[Czech, Lamprou]



So the most basic ingredients of the geometry,  
POINTS and DISTANCES, can be **recovered purely from the  
pattern of entanglement in the CFT state!!**

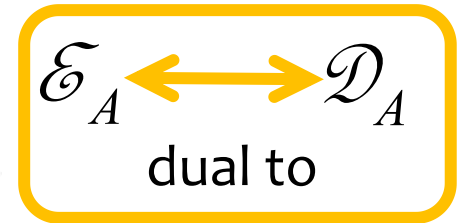
# SUBREGION DUALITY



Has been **proven**  
for LOCAL BULK  
OPERATORS

[Dong, Harlow, Wall; see also  
Jafferis, Lewkowycz, Maldacena,  
Suh; Faulkner, Lewkowycz]

Natural  
conjecture:



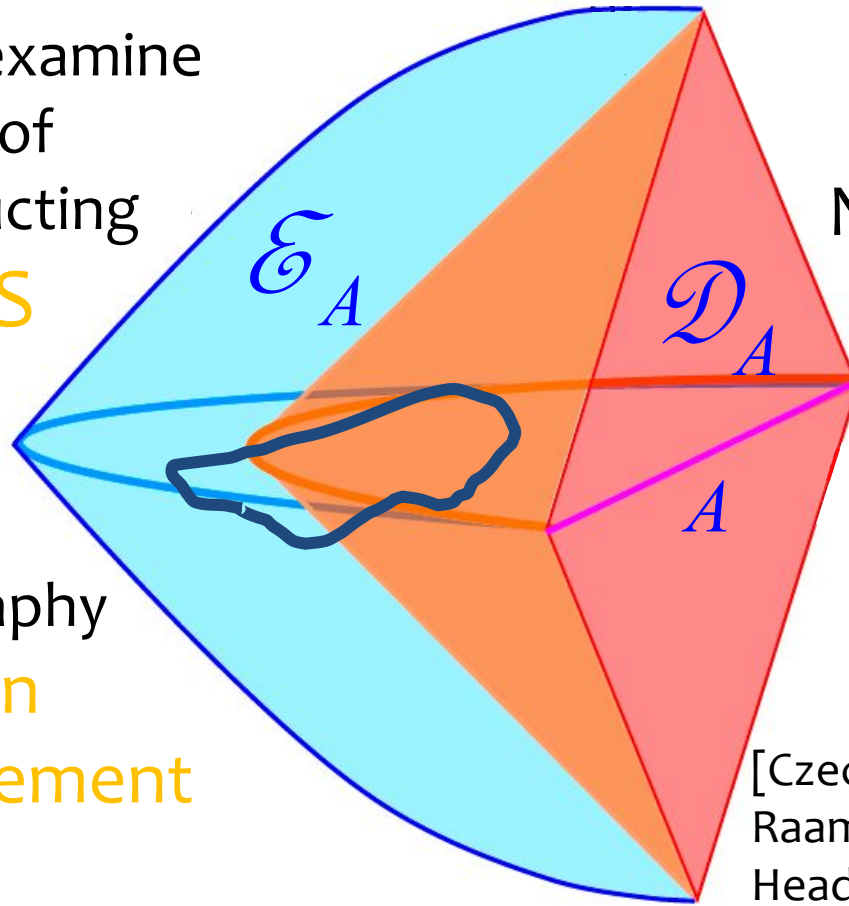
[Czech, Karczmarek, Nogueira, Van  
Raamsdonk; Wall;  
Headrick, Hubeny, Lawrence,  
Rangamani]



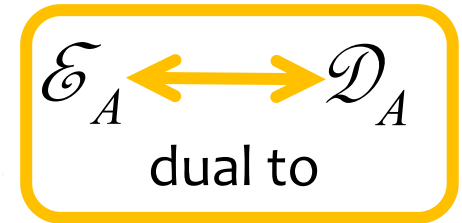
# SUBREGION DUALITY

Here, we'll examine  
the issue of  
reconstructing  
**CURVES**

I.e.,  
we'll do  
hole-ography  
**within an  
entanglement  
wedge**



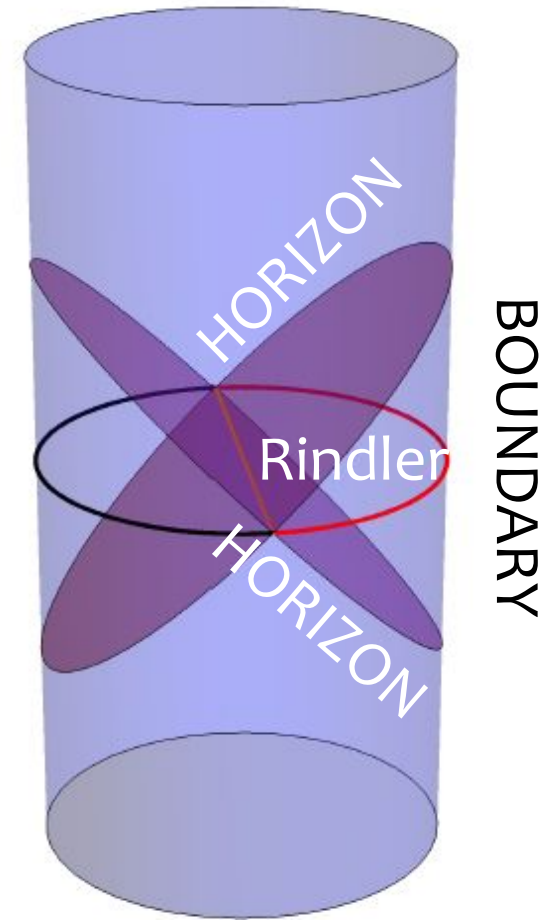
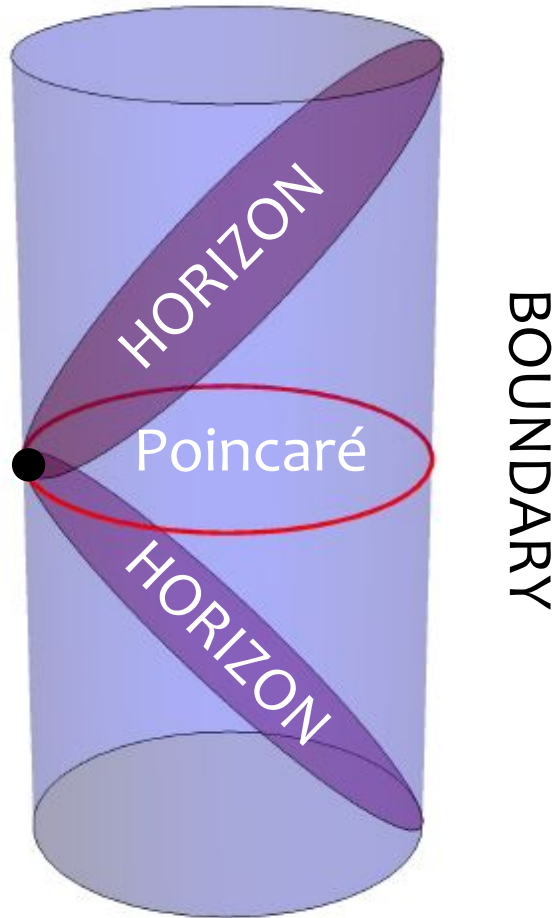
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If  $A$  omits a single point, the entanglement wedge is the Poincaré wedge

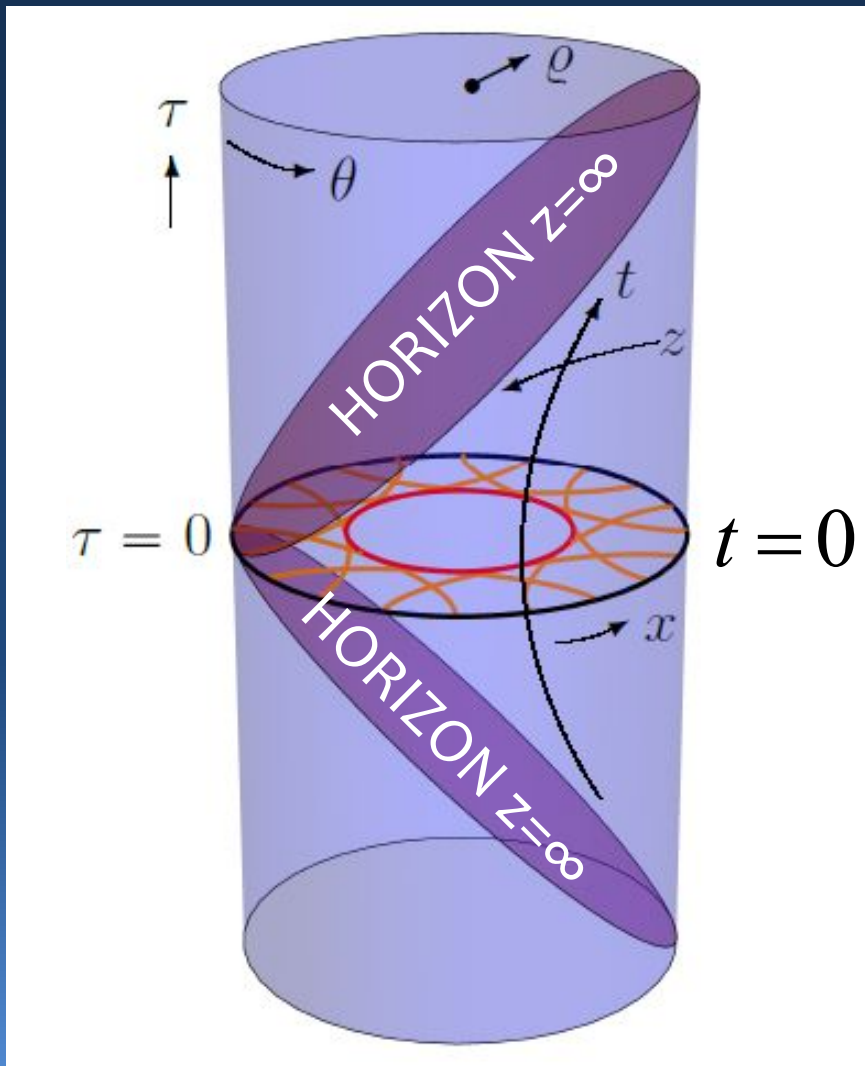
For smaller  $A$  (mixed state), entanglement wedge is smaller: RINDLER WEDGE



# Holography in Poincaré-AdS

# Hole-ography in Poincaré

From known relation between Poincaré and global AdS:



Slice of constant Poincaré time  $t = 0$  coincides with slice of constant global time  $\tau = 0$

So at  $t = 0$  we have all the geodesics we need for reconstruction of curves

And by  $t$ -independence of

$$ds^2 = \frac{L^2}{z^2} (-dt^2 + dx^2 + dz^2)$$

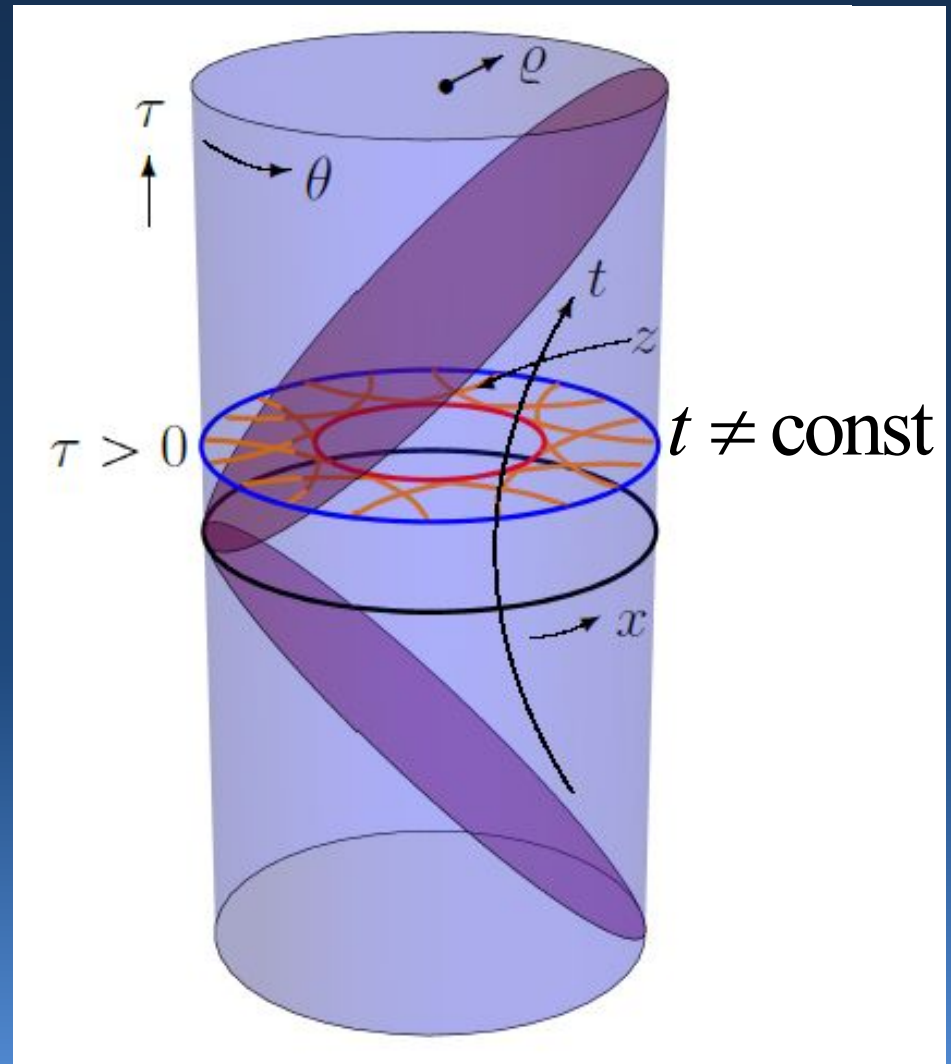
won't be missing geodesics on ANY fixed- $t$  slice, either

# Hole-ography in Poincaré

From known relation between Poincaré and global AdS:

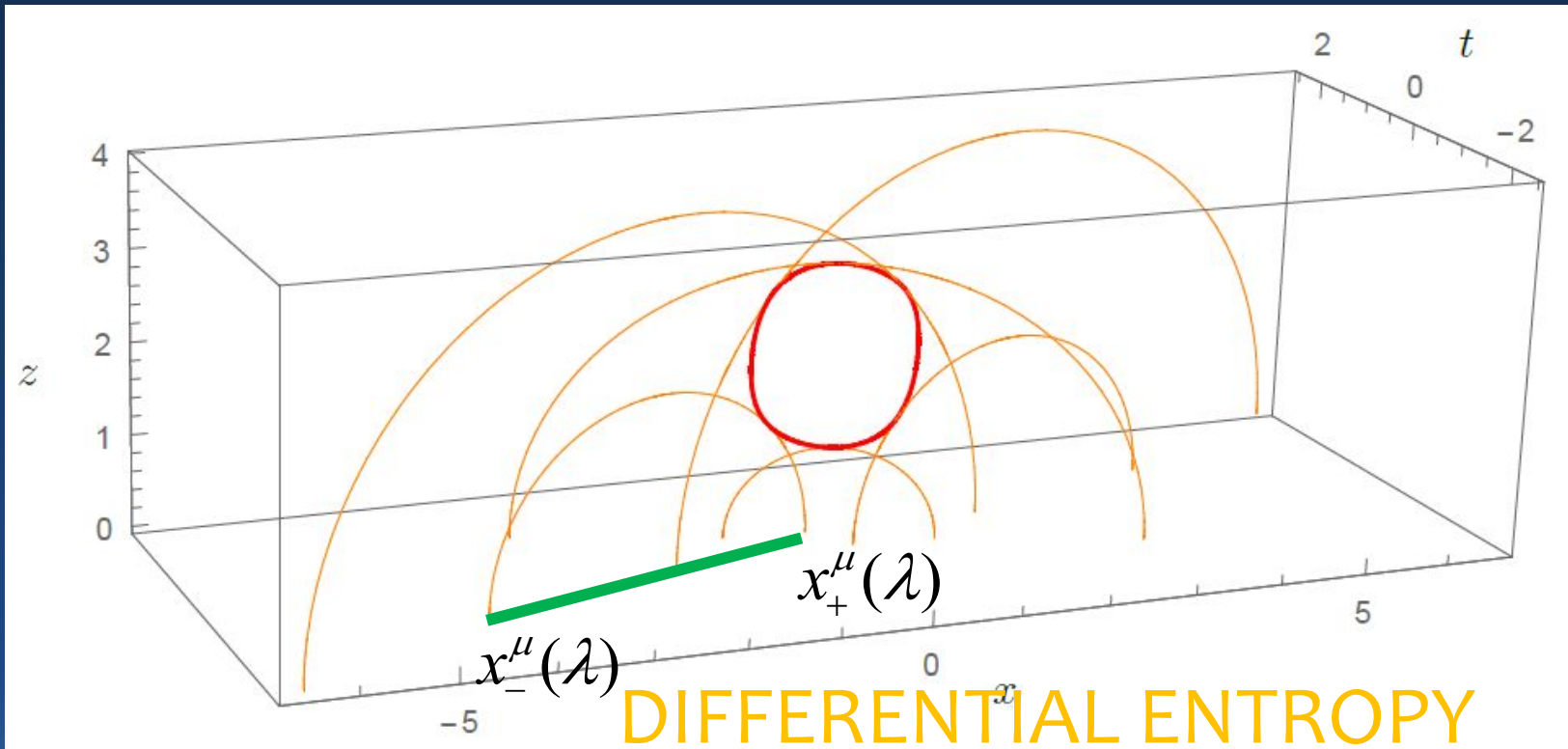
On the other hand, slice of constant global time  $\tau \neq 0$  (corresponding to VARYING Poincaré time) is partly OUTSIDE of the Poincaré wedge, so on this slice we have curves that are **NOT FULLY RECONSTRUCTIBLE** within Poincaré AdS!!

This is a CHALLENGE to hole-ography



# Hole-ography in Poincaré

In more detail, given a curve, can find **TANGENT** geodesics

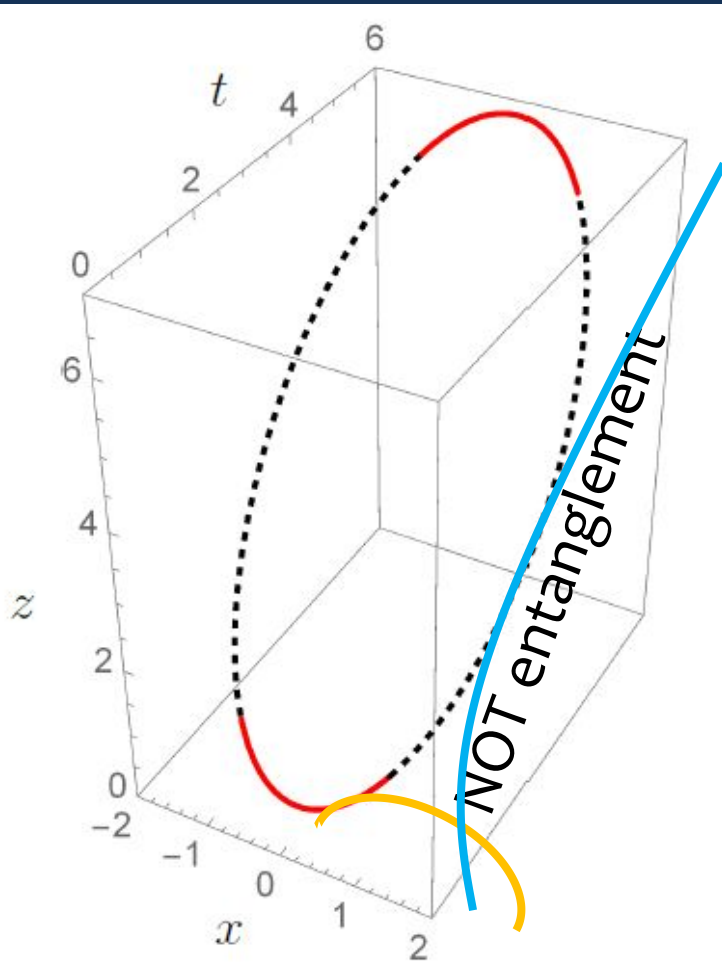


[Balasubramanian et al.; Myers et al.; Headrick et al.]

$$E \equiv \oint d\lambda \left( \frac{\partial S(x_-(\lambda), x_+(\bar{\lambda}))}{\partial \bar{\lambda}} \right) \Big|_{\bar{\lambda}=\lambda}$$

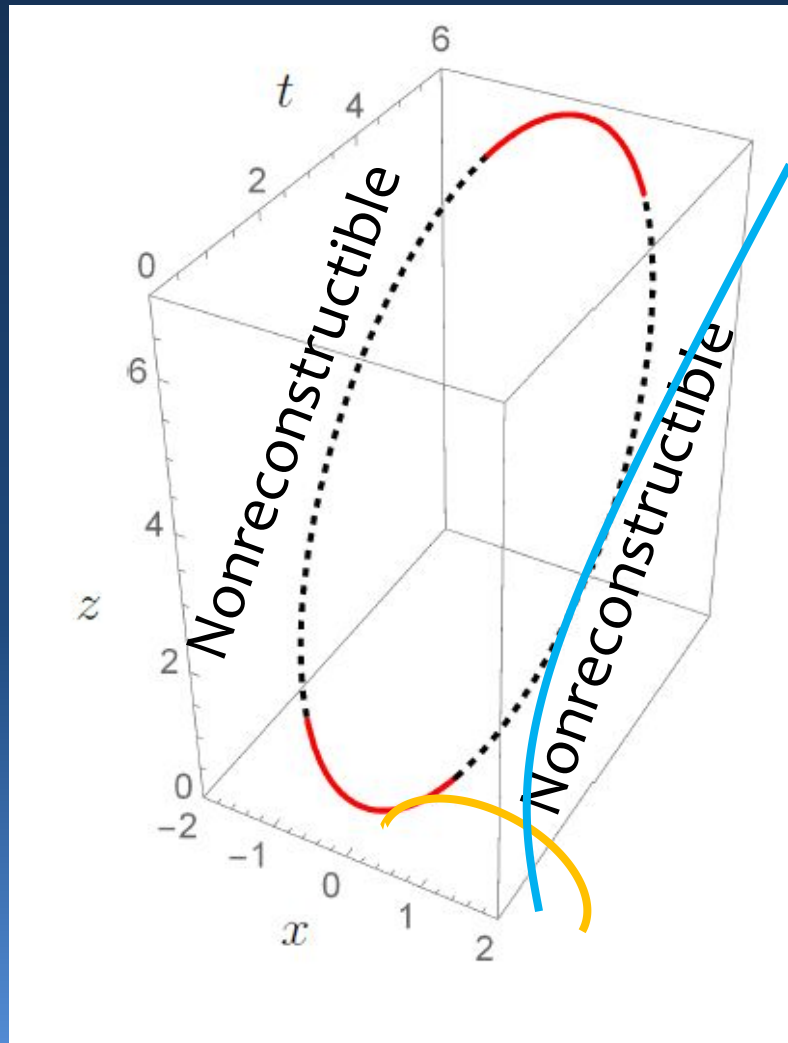
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The CONDITION FOR RECONSTRUCTIBILITY is

$$-\left(u^t\right)^2 + \left(u^x\right)^2 > 0$$

where

$$u \equiv (t'(\lambda), x'(\lambda), z'(\lambda))$$

is tangent vector to curve

Segments that violate this condition **CANNOT BE RECONSTRUCTED** using standard hole-ography



# 'Null Alignment'

Given a curve with TANGENT VECTOR  $u \equiv (t'(\lambda), x'(\lambda), z'(\lambda))$

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \oint d\lambda \sqrt{\frac{L^2}{z^2} (-t'^2 + x'^2 + z'^2)} \\ &= \oint d\lambda \sqrt{g_{mn} u^m u^n} = A \end{aligned}$$

Agreement  $E=A$  is maintained if we **SHIFT TANGENT BY AN ORTHOGONAL NULL VECTOR,**

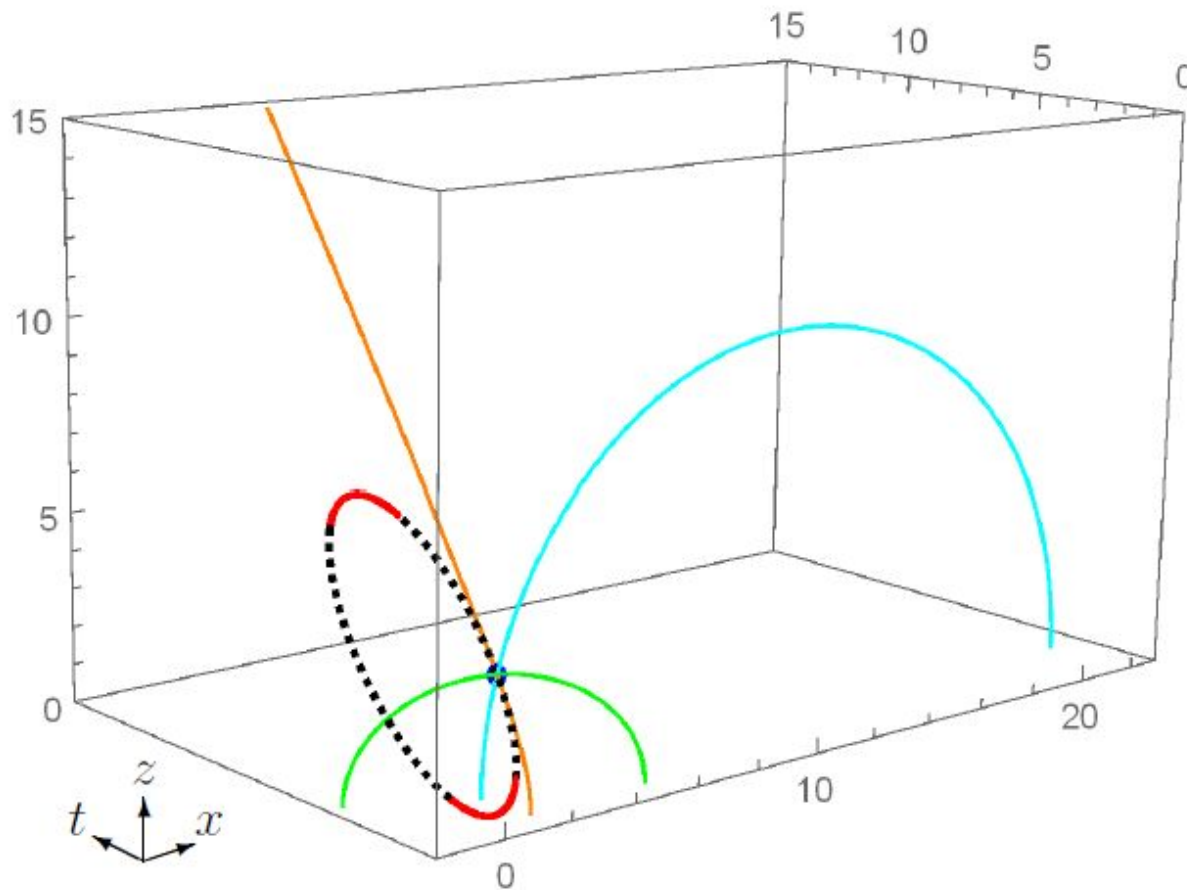
$$u \rightarrow U \equiv u + n, \quad n \cdot n = 0, \quad n \cdot u = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow U \cdot U = u \cdot u$$

[Headrick, Myers, Wien]

# Reconstruction Achieved

We find that 'null alignment' always allows us to SHOOT GEODESICS THAT DO REACH THE POINCARÉ BOUNDARY:



We thus conclude that **ANY CURVE WITHIN THE POINCARÉ WEDGE CAN BE FULLY RECONSTRUCTED**



# Holography in Rindler-AdS

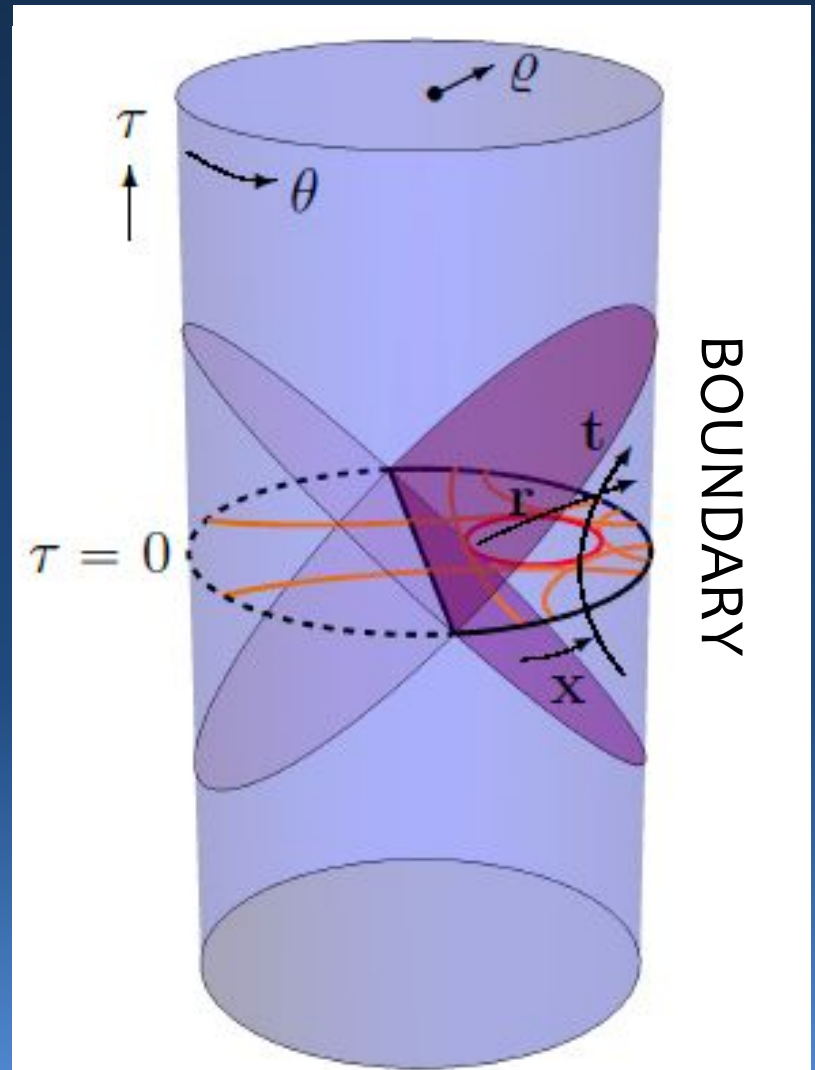
For smaller  $A$  (mixed state),  
entanglement wedge is  
smaller: RINDLER WEDGE

Now have **GEODESICS**  
**EXITING THE WEDGE**  
even at constant  
Rindler time

Does 'null alignment' again  
SAVE THE DAY?

$$u \rightarrow U \equiv u + n,$$

$$n \cdot n = 0, \quad n \cdot u = 0$$



# Failure of Reconstruction

Now one finds **TWO CONDITIONS FOR RECONSTRUCTIBILITY**:

$$(U^x)^2 - (U^t)^2 > 0$$

$$r^2 (1 + r^2) (U^x + U^t)^2 - (U^r)^2 > 0$$

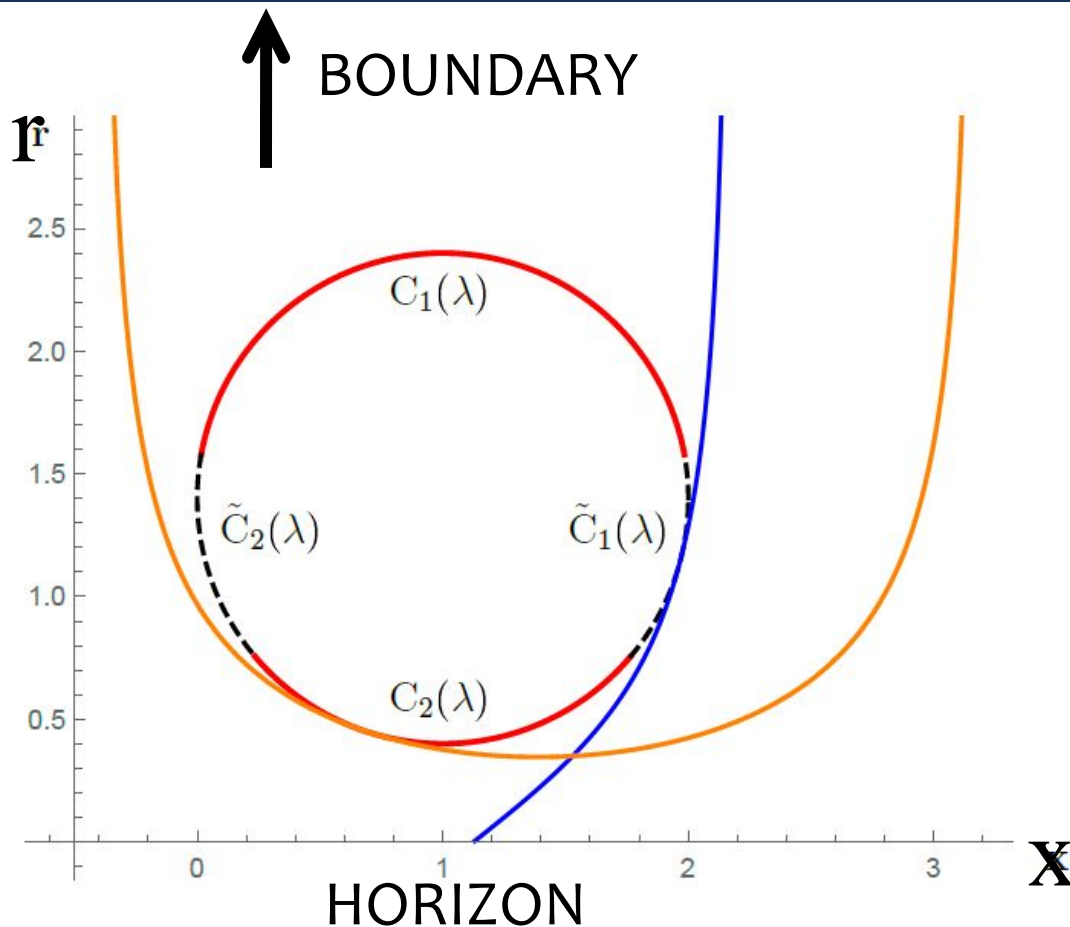
$$r^2 (1 + r^2) (U^x - U^t)^2 - (U^r)^2 > 0$$

(second condition implies third, or viceversa, depending on relative sign of  $U^x$  vs.  $U^t$ )

Problem: null alignment generally allows us to satisfy ONE of these, but not both at the same time

# Failure of Reconstruction

E.g., EVEN AFTER NULL ALIGNMENT, circle at constant Rindler time CANNOT BE RECONSTRUCTED on the sides

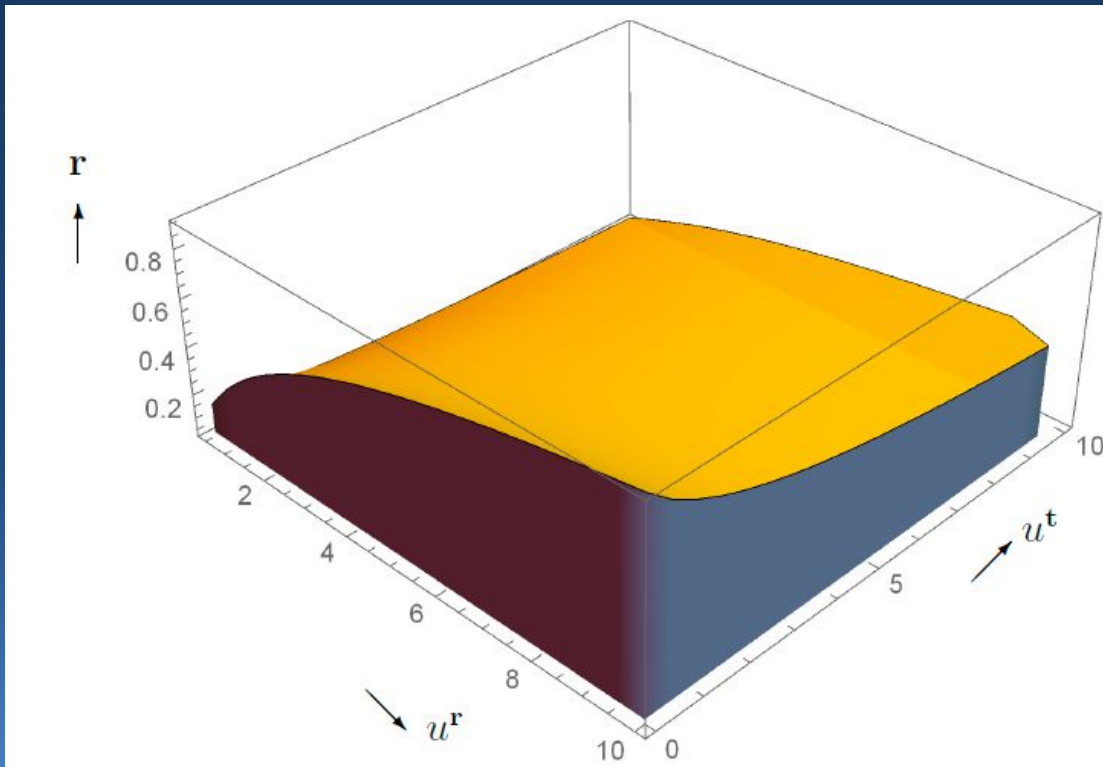


The generic problem is that at any given radial depth  $r$ , sufficiently steep tangent vectors  $u$  are such that no allowed  $U=u+n$  corresponds to a **boundary-anchored** geodesic

# 'Entanglement Shade'

This is analogous to the well-known phenomenon of “entanglement shadows”: bulk regions not reached by geodesics

[Hubeny,Maxfield,Rangamani,Tonni; Engelhardt,Wall; Balasubramanian,Chowdhury,Czech,de Boer; Freivogel,Jefferson,Kabir,Mosk,Yang; Engelhardt,Fischetti ]



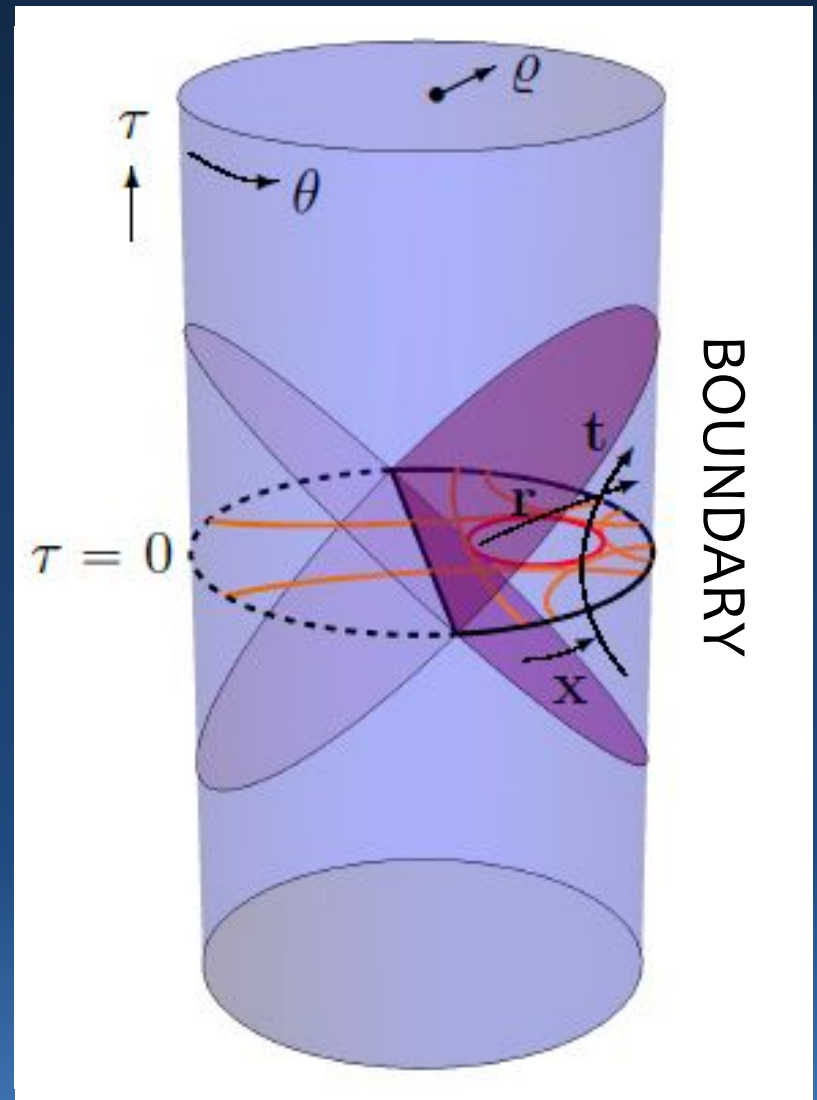
Except that the shadow here is well-delineated NOT on spacetime, but on the spacetime tangent bundle:

**“ENTANGLEMENT SHADE”**

See also:  
[Freivogel,Jefferson, Kabir,Mosk,Yang]

To reconstruct arbitrary curves within Rindler-AdS, then, we MUST resort to **geodesics that are NOT boundary-anchored** (they have at least one endpoint on the horizon instead of on the boundary)

These ARE NOT associated with entanglement entropies.  
Do they have some interpretation in the CFT?

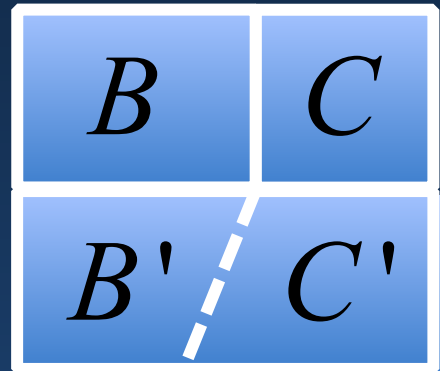




# Entanglement of Purification

Consider some system  $A=BC$ , described by a density matrix  $\rho_A$

$A$ :



If state is mixed, entanglement entropy  $A'$ :

$$S_B \equiv -\text{Tr}(\rho_B \ln \rho_B) \neq S_C \quad \rho_B \equiv \text{Tr}_C(\rho_A)$$

quantifies both quantum AND classical correlations

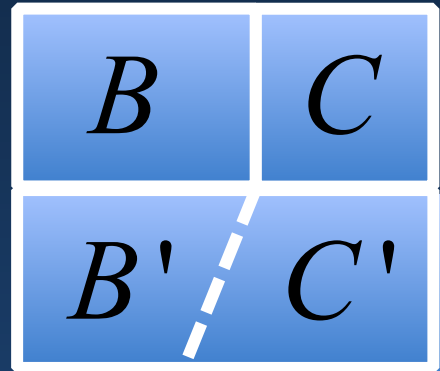
Can **PURIFY** the system, finding auxiliary degrees of freedom  $A'=B'C'$  and overall PURE state  $|\psi\rangle$  for  $AA'$  such that

$$\rho_A = \text{Tr}_{A'}(|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|)$$

# Entanglement of Purification

Consider some system  $A=BC$ , described by a density matrix  $r_A$

$A :$



Purification is highly non-unique!

$A' :$

but we can select a special one by  
DOUBLE OPTIMIZATION

$$P(B:C) \equiv \min_{(|\psi\rangle, A'), B'} S_{BB'}$$

ENTANGLEMENT OF  
PURIFICATION

[Terhal, Horodecki,  
Leung, Di Vincenzo]

Reexpresses  $S_B$  in terms of purely  
quantum correlations

Nearly impossible to compute explicitly!

# Entanglement of Purification

ENTANGLEMENT OF PURIFICATION is  
known to satisfy

$$P(B:C) \leq \min(S_B, S_C)$$

$$P(B:CD) \geq P(B:C)$$

$$P(B:C) \geq \frac{1}{2} I(B:C)$$

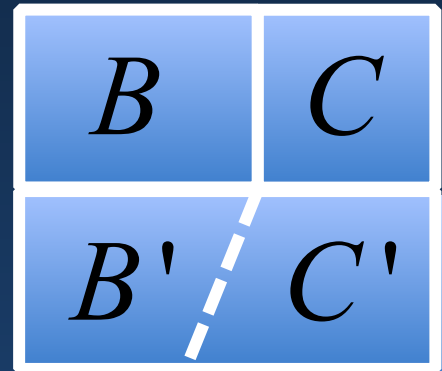
$$P(B:CD) \geq \frac{1}{2} I(B:C) + \frac{1}{2} I(B:D)$$

$$P(B:CD) \leq P(B:C) + P(B:D)$$

$$P(B:C) = S_{BC} \quad \text{if } \rho_A \text{ is pure}$$

$$S_{BC} = |S_B - S_C| \quad \Rightarrow \quad P(B:C) = \min(S_B, S_C)$$

$A:$



$A':$

[Terhal, Horodecki, Leung, Di Vincenzo]

# Entanglement of Purification

Recently conjectured holographic dual:

**ENTANGLEMENT WEDGE  
CROSS SECTION**

$$P(B : C) \equiv \min \frac{\text{Area of } \Sigma}{4G_N}$$

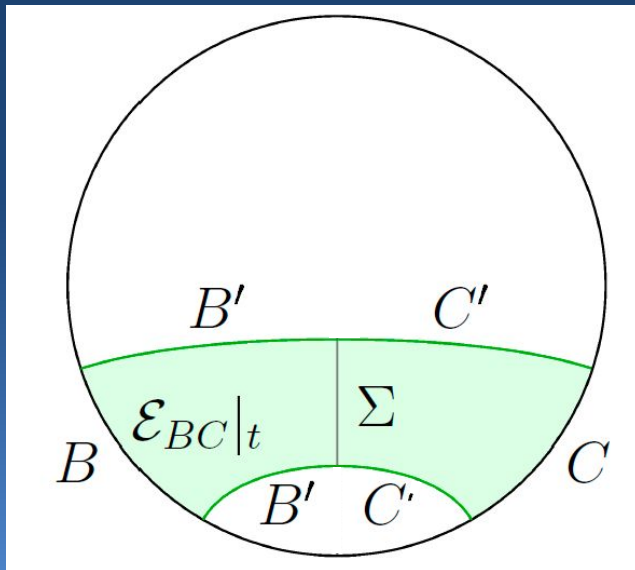
$A :$



$A' :$



[Takayanagi, Umemoto;  
Nguyen, Devakul, Halbasch, Zaletel, Swingle]



$P(B : C)$  satisfies all the SAME  
inequalities as  $P(B : C)$ !

Conjecture:

$$P(B : C) = P(B : C)$$

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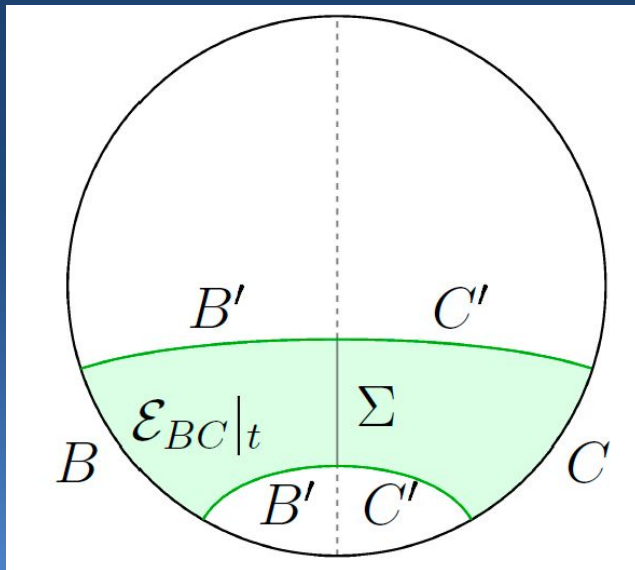
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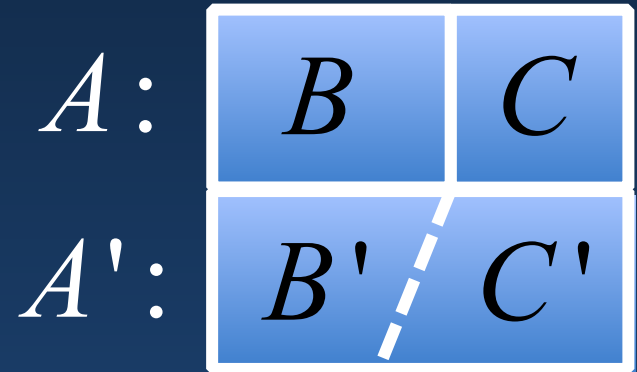
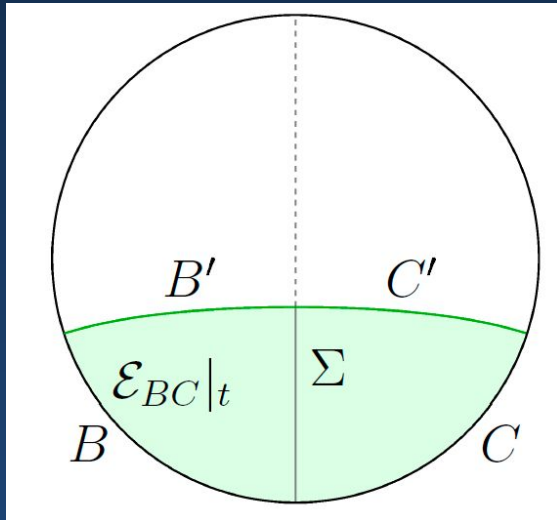


Notice: recipe uses truncated geodesic, so optimal purification  $(|\psi\rangle, A')$  is NOT dual to entire original geometry: the **purifying d.o.f.**  $A'$  "live on" horizon of entanglement wedge!

[Bhattacharya, Takayanagi, Umemoto; Hirai, Tamaoka, Yokoya]

# Relation to Wedge Reconstruction

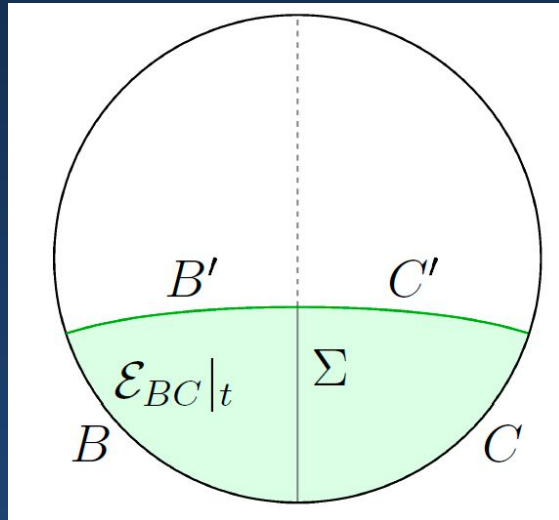
Consider contiguous  $B$  and  $C$ :



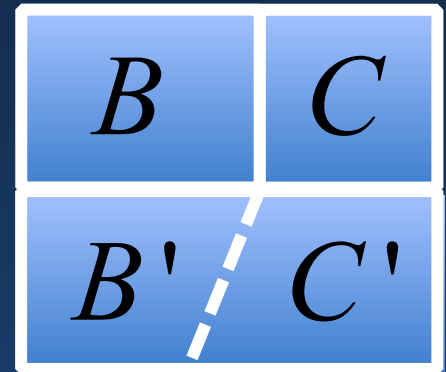
$\Sigma$  is a geodesic  
exiting the wedge through the  
Rindler horizon

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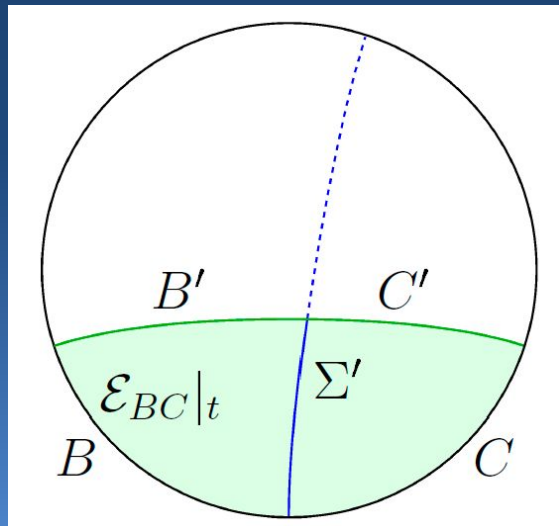
Consider contiguous  $B$  and  $C$ :



$A$ :



$A'$ :



Need MORE GENERIC geodesics  $\Sigma'$  of this type: slight generalization

$$P'(B : C | B') \equiv \frac{\text{Area of } \Sigma'}{4G_N} = S_{BB'} \Big|_{(|\psi\rangle, A')}$$

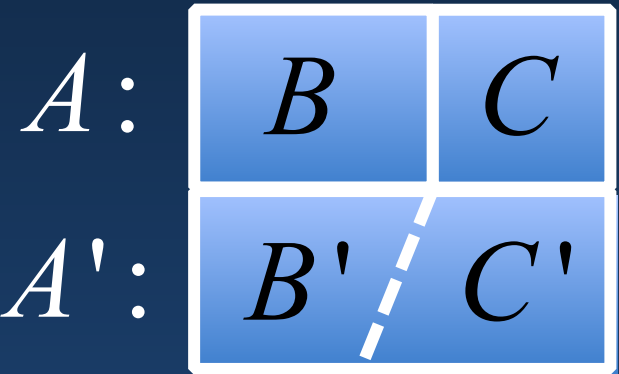
Conditional Entanglement of Purification

[Espíndola, Guijosa, Pedraza]

# Differential Purification

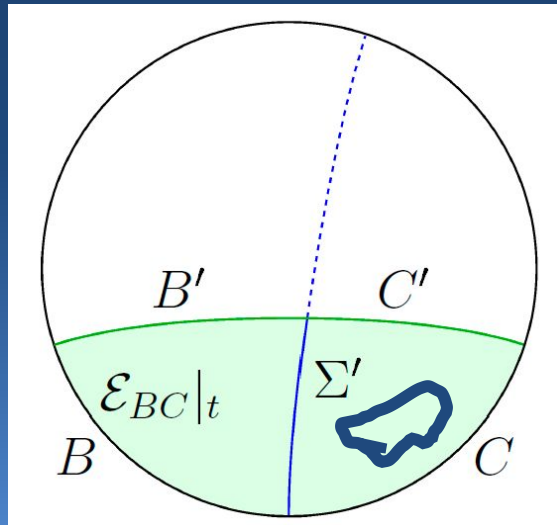
Using this entanglement of purification, can define

$$D \equiv \oint d\lambda \left( \frac{\partial P'(x_\infty(\lambda), x_h(\bar{\lambda}))}{\partial \bar{\lambda}} \right) \Big|_{\bar{\lambda}=\lambda}$$



## DIFFERENTIAL PURIFICATION

[Espíndola, Guijosa, Pedraza]



and show that

$$D = A$$



Extends to time dependent curves  
using notion of 'modular flow'





# CONCLUDING REMARKS

- Have seen that full reconstruction of bulk curves can be achieved for **ARBITRARY SPACELIKE CURVES** in Poincaré & Rindler AdS, using entanglement entropy + **ENTANGLEMENT OF PURIFICATION** (and possibly null alignment) ✓
- Can show that same recipe allows reconstruction within an **ARBITRARY ENTANGLEMENT WEDGE** in an **ARBITRARY 3-DIM (aAdS) BULK GEOMETRY** ✓