

Wormholes from Siegel modular forms in string theory: A black hole counting story

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BPS black holes in string theory

Black holes: **gravitational solutions** to Einstein's field equations.



Behave as **thermodynamic systems w/ entropy**:
(Bekenstein+Hawking in the 70's)

A_H : **area of event horizon**

$$S_{BH} = \frac{A_H}{4} + c_1 \log A_H + \frac{c_2}{A_H} + \dots + \alpha_n e^{-\beta_n A_H} + \dots$$

Boltzmann: black hole microstates $S_{BH} = \log d_{\text{micro}}$, $d_{\text{micro}} \in \mathbb{N}$

Central question in quantum gravity: microstates? $d_{\text{micro}}?$

Goal:

$$Z(\phi) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} d(n) e^{n\phi}, \quad d(n) = \int_{\mathcal{C}} d\phi \quad Z(\phi) e^{-n\phi} \quad (1)$$

$$d \approx e^{\frac{A_H}{4}} \quad (2)$$

Invariant under symmetries. 

BPS black holes in string theory

- Heterotic string theory compactified on a six-torus:

$\frac{1}{4}$ BPS black holes.

- BPS: supersymmetric. Asymptotically flat black holes.
- Single-centre black holes. Near horizon geometry is $AdS_2 \times S^2$,

$$ds_4^2 = v_* \left(-r^2 - 1) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{(r^2 - 1)} + d\Omega_2^2 \right)$$

- Dyonic black holes:

electric-magnetic charges (q_I, p^I) (several Maxwell fields F^I),

charge bilinears $m = p \cdot p$, $n = q \cdot q$, $\ell = q \cdot p$

- Supported by complex scalar fields Y^I .

Attractor mechanism: near horizon geometry supported by constant scalar fields $Y^I(q, p)$. $S_{BH}(q, p)$.

$$d(m, n, \ell), \quad m, n, \ell \in \mathbb{Z} \quad , \quad \Delta \equiv 4mn - \ell^2 > 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\log d(m, n, \ell) = \pi \sqrt{\Delta} + \dots = \frac{A_H}{4} + \dots \quad (4)$$

Number theoretic objects: **Modular forms** and **Siegel modular forms**.

$$\text{Complex upper half plane } \mathbb{D} = \{\tau \in \mathbb{C}, \text{Im}(\tau) > 0\} \quad (5)$$

$$f_k\left(\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}\right) = (c\tau + d)^k f_k(\tau), \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Sl}(2, \mathbb{Z}) \quad (6)$$

Siegel modular form of degree 2

Siegel's upper half plane \mathcal{H}_2 :

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = \{\Omega \in \text{Mat}(2 \times 2, \mathbb{C}) : \Omega^T = \Omega, \text{Im}\Omega > 0\}$$

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \rho & \nu \\ \nu & \sigma \end{pmatrix}, \quad \rho_2 > 0, \sigma_2 > 0, \det(\text{Im}\Omega) > 0$$

Siegel modular group $\text{Sp}(4, \mathbb{Z})$ acts on \mathcal{H}_2 as

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Sp}(4, \mathbb{Z}), \quad A^T D - C^T B = I_2$$

$$\Omega \mapsto \Omega' = (A\Omega + B)(C\Omega + D)^{-1}, \quad (\rho, \sigma, \nu) \mapsto (\rho', \sigma', \nu')$$

A Siegel modular form Φ_k of weight $k \in \mathbb{N}$ is a holomorphic function

$$\Phi_k : \mathcal{H}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$\Phi_k((A\Omega + B)(C\Omega + D)^{-1}) = \det(C\Omega + D)^k \Phi_k(\Omega)$$

Number theory: meromorphic Siegel modular form

Heterotic string theory on T^6 : $\frac{1}{4}$ BPS states.

Microstate degeneracies $d(m, n, \ell)$ given in terms of the **Fourier coefficients** of $1/\Phi_{10}$. Φ_{10} Igusa cusp form of weight 10.

Dijkgraaf, Verlinde, Verlinde, arXiv: 9607026

$$d(m, n, \ell) = \int_C d\sigma dv d\rho \frac{e^{-2\pi i(m\rho + n\sigma + \ell v)}}{\Phi_{10}(\rho, \sigma, v)}$$

Three contour integrations. Since $1/\Phi_{10}$ is **meromorphic** Siegel modular form, $d(m, n, \ell)$ depends on the **choice of the integration contour C** . $\Delta = 4mn - \ell^2$.

$1/\Phi_{10}$ captures degeneracies of **single-centre ($\Delta > 0$)** as well as of **two-centre black holes ($\Delta < 0$)**. Ashoke Sen, arXiv:0705.3874

Need to select a contour C that only captures **single-centre** degeneracies $d(m, n, \ell)$, with $\Delta > 0$.

Rademacher expansion: a classic example

Dedekind's eta function $\eta : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$: $\eta^{24}(q) = q \prod_{m=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^m)^{24}$

Meromorphic modular form of weight $k = -12$: $q = e^{2\pi i\tau}$, $\text{Im}\tau > 0$

$$\frac{1}{\eta^{24}(\tau)} = \sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} d(n) e^{2\pi i n \tau} \quad , \quad d(n) = \int_{\mathcal{Z}}^{z+1} \frac{e^{-2\pi i n \tau}}{\eta^{24}(\tau)} d\tau \quad , \quad n > 0$$

Polar coefficient: $d(-1) = 1$. For $n > 0$, **modular properties**:

$$\eta^{-24}(\tau) = (c\tau + d)^{-12} \eta^{-24}\left(\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}\right)$$

$$d(n) = \int_{\mathcal{Z}}^{z+1} \frac{e^{-2\pi i n \tau}}{\eta^{24}(\tau)} d\tau = d(-1) \frac{2\pi}{n^{13/2}} \sum_{c>0} \frac{K(n, -1, c)}{c} I_{13}\left(\frac{4\pi\sqrt{n}}{c}\right)$$

Rademacher expansion: polar coefficients, classical Kloosterman sums K , Bessel functions I_{13}

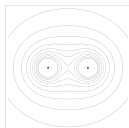
Uses: modular symmetry $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$, Ford circles.

Exact expression for $d(m, n, \ell)$ with $\Delta = 4mn - \ell^2 > 0$

Theorem: $d(m, n, \ell) \in \mathbb{N}$, $\tilde{\Delta} = 4m\tilde{n} - \tilde{\ell}^2 < 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(m, n, \ell) = & (-1)^{\ell+1} \sum_{\gamma=1}^{+\infty} \sum_{\substack{\tilde{\ell} \in \mathbb{Z}/2m\mathbb{Z} \\ \tilde{n} \geq -1, \\ \tilde{\Delta} < 0}} \left(2\pi \sum_{\substack{\tilde{n} \geq -1, \\ \tilde{\Delta} < 0}} c_m^F(\tilde{n}, \tilde{\ell}) \frac{\text{Kl}\left(\frac{\Delta}{4m}, \frac{\tilde{\Delta}}{4m}, \gamma, \psi\right)_{\ell\tilde{\ell}}}{\gamma} \left(\frac{|\tilde{\Delta}|}{\Delta}\right)^{23/4} I_{23/2} \left(\frac{\pi}{\gamma m} \sqrt{|\tilde{\Delta}|}\right) \right. \\
 & - \delta_{\tilde{\ell}, 0} \sqrt{2m} d(m) \frac{\text{Kl}\left(\frac{\Delta}{4m}, -1; \gamma, \psi\right)_{\ell 0}}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \left(\frac{4m}{\Delta}\right)^6 I_{12} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\gamma} \sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{m}}\right) \\
 & + \frac{1}{2\pi} d(m) \sum_{\substack{g \in \mathbb{Z}/2m\gamma\mathbb{Z} \\ g = \tilde{\ell} \bmod 2m}} \frac{\text{Kl}\left(\frac{\Delta}{4m}, -1 - \frac{g^2}{4m}; \gamma, \psi\right)_{\ell\tilde{\ell}}}{\gamma^2} \\
 & \left. \left(\frac{4m}{\Delta}\right)^{25/4} \int_{-1/\sqrt{m}}^{1/\sqrt{m}} dx' f_{\gamma, g, m}(x') (1 - mx'^2)^{25/4} I_{25/2} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\gamma\sqrt{m}} \sqrt{\Delta(1 - mx'^2)}\right) \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

with



$$\begin{aligned}
 c_m^F(\tilde{n}, \tilde{\ell}) = & \sum_{\substack{a > 0, c < 0 \\ b \in \mathbb{Z}/a\mathbb{Z}, ad - bc = 1 \\ 0 \leq \frac{b}{a} + \frac{\tilde{\ell}}{2m} < -\frac{1}{ac}}} \left((ad + bc)\tilde{\ell} + 2ac\tilde{n} + 2bdm \right) d(c^2\tilde{n} + d^2m + cd\tilde{\ell}) d(a^2\tilde{n} + b^2m + ab\tilde{\ell}) \\
 \frac{1}{\eta^{24}(\tau)} = & \sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} d(n) e^{2\pi i \tau n}, \quad \text{two } SL(2, \mathbb{Z})
 \end{aligned}$$

Exact Rademacher type expansion for $1/\Phi_{10}$

Area law:

$$\gamma = 1, \tilde{n} = -1, \tilde{\ell} = m : \quad d(m, n, \ell) \approx e^{\pi\sqrt{\Delta}} = e^{\frac{1}{4}A_H}$$

Rademacher type expansion that we obtained arises as:

- A sum over **residues of the quadratic poles** of $1/\Phi_{10}$
- Expansion uses **two** $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ subgroups
- Expansion encoded in **degeneracies of the perturbative $\frac{1}{2}$ BPS states!** $c_m^F(\tilde{n}, \tilde{\ell}) = \sum L d(M) d(N)$ **bound state degeneracy**
- Exponentially suppressed corrections: $e^{\pi\sqrt{|\Delta|\tilde{\Delta}|}/\gamma m}$

'2D integral'

Integrate $1/\Phi_{10}$ over ρ , change of variables $(\sigma, \nu) \rightarrow (\tau_1, \tau_2)$, connect to macroscopic QEF:

$$d(m, n, \ell)_{\Delta > 0} = \sum_{SL^2(2, \mathbb{Z}), \Sigma} \frac{e^{i\pi\varphi}}{\gamma} \frac{1}{(ac)^{13}} \int_{\Gamma_2} \frac{d\tau_2}{\tau_2^2} \left(\int_{\Gamma_1} d\tau_1 f(\tau_1, \tau_2) \right)$$

$$f(\tau_1, \tau_2) = \left[26 + \frac{2\pi}{n_2} \frac{(m(\tau_1^2 + \tau_2^2) + n - \ell\tau_1)}{\tau_2} \right] \frac{e^{\frac{\pi}{n_2} \frac{m(\tau_1^2 + \tau_2^2) + n - \ell\tau_1}{\tau_2}}}{\eta^{24}(\rho'_*) \eta^{24}(\sigma'_*) \tau_2^{12}}$$

$$\rho'_* = -\frac{a\tau_1 + i\tau_2}{c} - \frac{b}{c} \frac{\alpha}{\gamma} - \frac{a}{c} \Sigma$$

$$\varphi = \frac{2}{n_2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}j\ell - m_1n + n_1m \right)$$

$$\Gamma_1 : \tau_1 = \frac{\ell}{2m} + i\tau_2(-1 + 2y) \quad , \quad 0 < y < 1$$

$$\Gamma_2 : \tau_2 = \frac{\sqrt{\Delta}}{2m} + it \quad , \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

Macroscopic interpretation

- **Measure:**

$$\left[26 + \frac{2\pi}{n_2} \frac{(m(\tau_1^2 + \tau_2^2) + n - \ell\tau_1)}{\tau_2} \right] \Big|_* = 26 + 2 \frac{A_H}{4 n_2}$$

absence of $\log A_H$ term in $N = 4$ black hole entropy,

$$S_{BH} = \frac{A_H}{4} + 0 \log A_H + \dots \quad \text{Banerjee, Jatkar, Sen, arXiv: 0810.3472}$$

- Terms $\frac{1}{\eta^{24}(\rho'_*) \eta^{24}(\sigma'_*) \tau_2^{12}}$:

underlying **bound state structure** of Rademacher picture not manifest here $(c_m^F = \sum L d(M) d(N))$

Consider $n_2 = 1$: $\frac{1}{\eta^{24}(\tau) \eta^{24}(-\bar{\tau})} \frac{1}{(\tau - \bar{\tau})^{12}}$ **how to account for this?**

2D JT gravity point of view: $S_{JT} = -\frac{1}{8\pi G_2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_M d^2x \sqrt{g} R + \int_{\partial M} dt \sqrt{h} K \right) - \frac{1}{2} \int_M d^2x \sqrt{g} \Phi \left(R + \frac{2}{v_*} \right) - \int_{\partial M} dt \sqrt{h} \left(K - \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_*}} \right)$

Macroscopic interpretation

Global Euclidean AdS_2 : supported by constant dilaton field $\Phi_0 = v_*$

$$ds^2 = \frac{v_*}{\sin^2 \sigma} \left(dT^2 + d\sigma^2 \right) \quad , \quad -\pi < \sigma < 0 \quad , \quad T \cong T + 2\pi\tau_{2*} \quad ,$$

Proposal:

Add **24 chiral + 24 antichiral periodic** scalar fields (critical closed bosonic string), time-independent classical configuration: $T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{cl}} = 0$.

1-loop partition function of periodic scalars:

$$Z^{1\text{-loop}} = \frac{1}{\eta^{24}(\tau) \eta^{24}(-\bar{\tau})} \frac{1}{(\tau - \bar{\tau})^{12}}$$

$\langle T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{quan}} \rangle \neq 0$, **backreacts on the dilaton**

$$\Phi_0 + \Phi = \Phi_0 - 24 \mathcal{E} [2\pi\tau_{2*}] \left(1 - \frac{\sigma + \frac{\pi}{2}}{\tan \sigma} \right) \quad , \quad -\pi < \sigma < 0$$

The resulting solution (trumpet + dilaton) is interpreted as an **2D Euclidean wormhole solution**.

Conclusions

Summarizing:

- Rademacher picture: Finite seed data to generate black hole entropy.
- Macroscopic interpretation: 2D picture.
 - ▶ $\frac{1}{4}A_H$: JT gravity.
 - ▶ η^{24} contributions: Euclidean wormhole on the double trumpet.
- Further Checks: HOLOGRAPHY! See Gabriel Cardoso's talk

Thanks!

Quantum entropy function

Reproduce $d(m, n, \ell)$ by a suitable quantum gravity path integral, **quantum entropy function (QEF)**. Ashoke Sen, arXiv:0805.0095, 0809.3304

- Functional integral over all fields in string theory in an **Euclidean background B** that asymptotes to a specific **Euclidean $AdS_2 \times S^2$ solution** fixed by the attractor mechanism. $W = \sum_B W_B$
- Background B : supported by Abelian gauge potentials A^I , constant complex scalar fields Y^I
- Using supersymmetric localization: QEF is a finite-dimensional integral over $\{\phi^I\}$, where $Y^I = \frac{1}{2}(\phi^I + i\rho^I)$. Dabholkar, Gomes, Murthy, 2010
- **QEF** \rightarrow **Rademacher** picture. $c_m^F(\tilde{n}, \tilde{\ell})$ in measure.

Macroscopic interpretation:

- **Saddle point analysis:** $\tau_* = (\tau_1 + i\tau_2)_* = \frac{\ell}{2m} + i\frac{\sqrt{\Delta}}{2m}$

$$\frac{\pi}{n_2} \frac{(m(\tau_1^2 + \tau_2^2) + n - \ell\tau_1)}{\tau_2} \Big|_* + \pi i\varphi = \frac{1}{n_2} \left[\frac{A_H}{4} + 2\pi i \left(-\frac{1}{2}j\ell - m_1 n + n_1 m \right) \right]$$

Macroscopic interpretation

- **Semi-classical interpretation** in terms of sums over space-time backgrounds: \mathbb{Z}_{n_2} orbifolds of Euclidean $AdS_2 \times S^2$

$$ds^2 = v_* \left((r^2 - 1) d\theta^2 + \frac{dr^2}{r^2 - 1} + d\psi^2 + \sin^2 \psi d\phi^2 \right)$$
$$0 \leq \theta < \frac{2\pi}{n_2}, \quad 0 \leq \phi < \frac{2\pi}{n_2},$$

supported by gauge potentials A'_θ that acquire a **constant real part** when orbifolding,

$$A'_\theta = -ie'_* (r - 1) d\theta + \text{Re}A'_\theta$$

$$\frac{1}{n_2} \left[\frac{A_H}{4} + \pi i \left(q \cdot \text{Re}A_\theta - p \cdot \text{Re}\tilde{A}_\theta \right) \right]$$

$(\text{Re}A_\theta, \text{Re}\tilde{A}_\theta)$ expressed in terms of $(q_I, p^I; m_1, n_1, j)$,
symplectic vector under S-duality

Three approaches to BPS black hole entropy



1 Number theory:

$d(m, n, \ell)$: **meromorphic Siegel modular form**.
Exact expression as a **Rademacher type expansion**.
C, Nampuri, Rosselló, arXiv: 2112.10023

2 Quantum entropy function: Ashoke Sen, arXiv:0805.0095

$d(m, n, \ell)$ from a **quantum gravity path integral**:
sum over space-time geometries that asymptote
to a **product geometry $AdS_2 \times S^2$** .

3 Conformal quantum mechanics:

AdS_2/CFT_1 correspondence: Maldacena, arXiv:9711200
 $d(m, n, \ell)$ from a **conformal quantum mechanics model (DFF model)**.
de Alfaro, Fubini, Furlan, 1976

