

# Holography@25 (ICTP-SAIIR, São Paulo)

## Titles and abstracts

School, 5-13 June 2023

1. J. de Boer

Some references:

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1409.1231>

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.02143>

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2. A. Donos

Some references:

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“Gauge/Gravity duality” by M. Ammon and J. Erdmenger

“Holographic duality in condensed matter physics” by J. Zaanen, Ya-Wen Sun, Yan Lin and Koenraad Schalm

3. C. Hoyos – *Holographic approach to QCD at large densities and compact stars*

Some bibliography

Introduction to the AdS/CFT Correspondence (book by H. Nastase)

Gauge/Gravity Duality: Foundations and Applications (book by J. Erdmenger and M. Ammon)

Holographic approach to compact stars and their binary mergers (C. Hoyos, N. Jokela, A. Vuorinen, arXiv: 2112.08422)

Holographic modeling of nuclear matter and neutron stars (M. Jarvinen, arXiv: 2110.08281)

4. H. Verlinde

5. K. Zarembo - *Integrability in AdS/CFT*

Some review articles

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1012.3983.pdf>

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/hep-th/9605187.pdf>

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1012.3990.pdf>

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## Colloquia

07/06/2023 J. de Boer - *Quantum gravity, chaos, complexity and statistical physics*

I will give an overview of various recent developments in our understanding of quantum gravity and black holes. In particular, I will focus on (i) the chaotic nature of the quantum gravitational degrees of freedom, (ii) the statistical interpretation of semi-classical gravity and its connection to wormholes, and (iii) the possible role of computational complexity. I will try to connect all of this to famous questions like the information loss paradox and the experience of an infalling observer.

14/06/2023 J. Maldacena - *The entropy of Hawking Radiation*

Black holes are fascinating spacetime configurations predicted by general relativity. When quantum mechanics is taken into account, black holes are found to emit thermal radiation, called "Hawking radiation". Recently an interesting area formula for the quantum entropy of black holes was derived. This also leads to a surprising new way to compute the entropy of Hawking radiation. This result indicates that the black hole formation and evaporation is consistent with standard quantum mechanical laws.

# Workshop, 14-17 June 2023

M. Baggioli - *Holography with broken spacetime symmetries and its transition into adulthood*  
At ten years old, Holography realized that it could play a useful role for several open questions in condensed-matter physics. Nevertheless, this gift came at the price of giving up many of its original symmetries, even the spacetime ones. During its teenage years, Holography quickly learned how to live without translational invariance and became a valuable tool to construct, improve and verify low-energy effective field theories for systems with broken symmetries. As a wiser adult, Holography is now trying to assess how to make a real impact for scientists who do not live in Anti de Sitter spacetime. In this talk, I will guide you through the early life of holography with broken symmetries and present the successes, the failures and the future of this program.

N. Bobev - *Large  $N$  Partition Functions, Holography, and Black Holes*

I will discuss the large  $N$  behavior of partition functions of the ABJM theory on compact Euclidean manifolds. I will pay particular attention to the  $S^3$  free energy and the topologically twisted index for which I will present closed form expressions valid to all orders in the large  $N$  expansion. These results have important implications for holography and the microscopic entropy counting of  $AdS_4$  black holes which I will discuss. I will also briefly discuss generalizations of these results to the superconformal index, as well as to other 3d SCFTs arising from M2-branes.

D. Correa - *Wilson loops and integrability in Chern-Simons-matter theories*

N. Drukker - *Surface operators and holographic M2-branes*

J. Erdmenger -

C. Hoyos - *Holographic baryonic matter without flavor branes*

In holographic models flavor is usually realized by introducing additional branes in a dual supergravity background. With this realization one is forced to work in a probe approximation or solve supergravity equations with sources, which typically requires introducing additional phenomenological simplifications. In addition, since there are no fields carrying baryon charge on the branes, baryonic matter is dual to solitonic configurations on the flavor branes, which makes it challenging to describe a state with non-zero baryon density. Here we will show how these issues can be avoided by considering a holographic model where baryon symmetry is already realized in the dual supergravity sector. We construct confining solutions with non-zero

baryon density that do not involve solitonic configurations despite the absence of dual fields carrying baryon charge. The model is a three-dimensional field theory cousin of Klebanov-Strassler and shares with it some interesting features like a duality cascade.

H. Lin - *Coherent states and high dimension operators in gauge/gravity correspondence*

J. Maldacena - *Scaling similarity in large  $N$  quantum mechanics*

D. Martelli - *A spindle story: from AdS to equivariant localization and back*

The AdS/CFT correspondence has been recently enriched by the construction of a novel type of supersymmetric AdS backgrounds, comprising the spindle and other geometries with orbifold singularities, prompting progress in supergravity, geometry and field theory. In this talk I will recount this story, going through some explicit supergravity solutions and general lessons drawn from them. In particular, I will argue that the theory of equivariant localization is the appropriate mathematical framework to study universal aspects of holography, in the supersymmetric setting.

D. Melnikov - *Entanglement and holographic states in Chern-Simons theory*

I will consider a simple class of states in topological quantum field theories that exhibit properties commonly attributed to the states of theories with a holographic dual. These states satisfy a discrete analog of the minimal area law for entanglement entropy, together with the characteristic inequalities. Similarly to classical geometries, these states are also classical states of the topological theories. I will discuss some applications, including an analog model of a unitary black hole evaporation.

R. Myers - *Complexity equals (Almost) Anything*

Motivated by holographic complexity, we examine a new class of gravitational observables in asymptotically AdS space associated with codimension-one slices or with codimension-zero regions. We argue that any of these observables is an equally viable candidate as the extremal volume for a gravitational dual of complexity.

N. Obers - *Non-relativistic corners in string theory and AdS/CFT*

L. Pando-Zayas -

K. Skenderis - *Flat space limit of AdS/CFT for massive amplitudes*

We analyse the flat space limit of AdS and use it to derive massive amplitudes in flat space starting from momentum space CFT correlators involving non-conserved spinning operators.

The flat space limit amounts to taking  $\Delta, L$  to infinity keeping fixed the mass of the bulk field, where  $\Delta$  is the dimension of the dual operator and  $L$  the AdS radius. We show how the AdS isometries are mapped to Poincaré ones in this limit, and demonstrate the

analysis by deriving the flat space 3-point amplitude involving a complex massive vector field, its complex conjugate and an Abelian gauge field. The corresponding AdS amplitude/CFT 3-point function depends on 3-parameters, which are related to the charge, the gyromagnetic coupling and the quadrupole moment of the massive field.

D. T. Son - *Applied nonrelativistic conformal field theory*

J. Sparks - *The geometry of black hole entropy functions*

A. Tomasiello - *General bounds on Kaluza–Klein masses*

H. Verlinde -

K. Zarembo - *'t Hooft loops and integrability*

't Hooft loops are disorder operators that exist in any gauge theory. They are beautifully connected to quantization of charge in the field of a magnetic monopole. I will discuss an interplay of holography, S-duality and localization for 't Hooft loops in the  $N=4$  super-Yang-Mills theory.