

# Chaos, black hole microstates, and momentum fractionation

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# Black holes, chaos and all that

- Black hole states are expected to be chaotic
- Fast scrambling paradigm: semiclassical black hole horizons imply maximal chaos (MSS bound:  $\lambda \leq 2\pi T$ ) in *holographic QFTs*
- The diagnostic: out-of-time-ordered correlator (OTOC) in QFT  $\langle A^\dagger(t)B^\dagger(0)A(t)B(0) \rangle$

# Black holes, chaos and all that

- What about *bulk* chaos?
- Geodesic and wave equations in black hole backgrounds are usually separable (Killing-Yano tensor,  $\text{AdS}_2$  algebra etc)
- But whatever happens in the CFT has to happen in the bulk too! How do we see it? – PUZZLE 1

# Black holes, microstates and fuzzballs

- Black hole solutions (horizonful) vs microstate solutions (horizonless)
- As a rule, microstates/fuzzballs have some supersymmetry for better control
- Can we diagnose the “degree of black-holishness” directly from *bulk chaos* probes? – PUZZLE 2

# BPS and chaos – an unholy combination

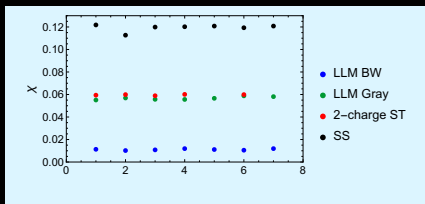
- BPS and chaos do not mix easily!
- Standard quantum chaos diagnostics do not apply to BPS systems
- Huge degeneracy of BPS states  $\Rightarrow$  no RMT level statistics
- BPS states are frozen in time with  $H = 0 \Rightarrow$  no OTOC

# BPS chaos – ways out

- “BPS chaos” by Yiming et al: LMRS projection – project out the degeneracy, look for RMT in the projected spectrum
- Our way: forget eigenvalues, look for eigenvector chaos
- In the classical SUGRA regime this reduces to the study of wave equations
- Berry random wave conjecture: a strongly chaotic wavefunction is statistically equivalent to a sum of waves with random phases  $\sim$  Gaussian random field

# In a nutshell

- 2606.03434, 2508.09669, and work in progress
- Hierarchy of wave chaos in smooth SUGRA backgrounds
- Chaos becomes stronger with:
  - Decreasing the number of supercharges
  - Increasing the AdS throat length
  - Forming a singularity



- Special chaotic properties (*the strongest and the weakest – in different regimes*) of microstates with *momentum fractionation*. Fortuity?

- 1 Berry wave chaos in supergravity
- 2 Berry wave chaos – CFT picture?
- 3 Fractionated superstrata – fractionation  $\leftrightarrow$  fortuity?

# 1 Berry wave chaos in supergravity

# Idea: BPS chaos in supergravity from Berry random waves

- Normalizable waves in the bulk – a probe that also encapsulates the bulk dual of a CFT state:

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = 0$$

- Berry random wave conjecture  $\sim$  a chaotic wavefunction behaves statistically as a sum of waves with fixed wavenumber  $k$ , equidistant wavevectors  $\hat{n}_j$  and random *uniform* phases  $\phi_j$ :

$$\Phi(r) \mapsto \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^L \exp \left[ i k \left( x \cos \left( \frac{2\pi j}{L} \right) + y \sin \left( \frac{2\pi j}{L} \right) \right) + \phi_j \right]$$

- Wavenumber  $k(r) = \sqrt{2E - V_r(r)} \mapsto \bar{k} = \sqrt{2E - \bar{V}_r}$
- Outcome:  $\Phi$  is a random *Gaussian* field  $\Rightarrow$  can compute everything (2-point correlators, intensity distributions...)

# Berry vs. BPS chaos

- Our way: forget eigenvalues, look for eigenvector chaos
- This is also how the eigenstate thermalization (ETH) works:

$$\langle E_i | O | E_j \rangle = f(E) \delta_{ij} + e^{-S/2} R_{ij}$$

The RMT statistics of  $R_{ij}$  are produced by  $|E_i\rangle$ , not by  $O$ !

- Eigenvector chaos is the most direct extension of ETH to BPS
- Classical regime: eigenvectors become wavefunctions

## Berry vs. BPS chaos

- Eigenvector chaos is also secretly involved in the LMRS projection – project onto BPS sectors as

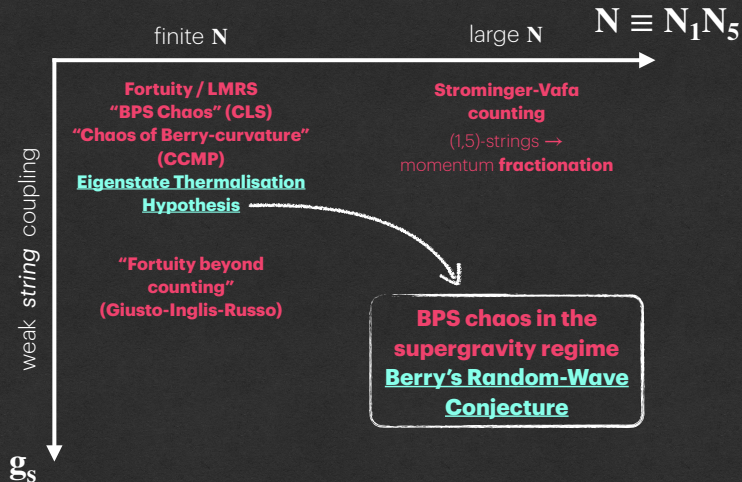
$$O_P = \hat{P}_{\text{BPS}} O \hat{P}_{\text{BPS}}, \quad P_{\text{BPS}} = \sum_{n=1}^{e^S} |\text{BPS}\rangle_n \langle \text{BPS}|_n$$

- Chaos is again sourced by the vectors  $|\text{BPS}\rangle_n$ , not by  $O$  which can be simple
- Difference from our approach: need to *mix* different states. We test the effective randomness of *individual* states

# Little idiosyncratic book of microstate geometries

- 1/2 BPS: Lin-Lunin-Maldacena (LLM) bubbling solutions –  $Z$ -words in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM
- 1/4 BPS: Lunin-Mathur (LM) 2-charge supertubes – 1-5 strings in D1-D5 CFT
- 1/8 BPS: 3-charge D1-D5-P supertubes with momentum on the circle
- 1/8 BPS: superstrata (Bena, Warner, Giusto, Shigemori) – same charges but deform also  $\mathbb{T}^4$

# Regimes of Berry/BPS chaos



# LLM solutions

- Lin, Lunin & Maldacena 2004: “bubbling AdS” – 1/2 BPS solution from invasion of AdS by giant gravitons
- Super Yang-Mills: only 2 out of 6 scalars excited  $\Rightarrow$  all operators are words consisting of  $Z$  and  $\bar{Z}$  ( $Z = \Phi_1 + i\Phi_2$ )
- Dual matrix model (Berenstein 2004): free fermion in 2D with a constraint, solution specified by the Fermi surface shape:
  - Black disk – AdS
  - Small deformations (rings, droplets etc) – small fluctuations

## LLM solutions

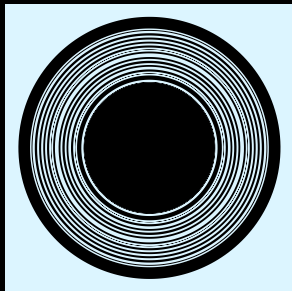
- SUGRA solution: two 3-spheres ( $\Omega_3$  and  $\tilde{\Omega}_3$ ) times the  $(t, x_1, x_2, \xi)$  manifold:

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[ - (dt + V_a dx^a)^2 + h^4 (d\xi^2 + dx_a dx^a) + \left( \frac{1}{2} - z \right) d\tilde{\Omega}_3^2 + \left( \frac{1}{2} + z \right) d\Omega_3^2 \right]$$
$$h^2 = \frac{1}{\xi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} - z^2}, \quad \partial_\xi V_a = \frac{\epsilon_{ab} \partial_b z}{\xi}$$

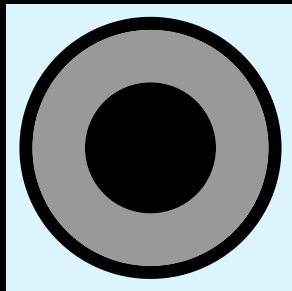
- LLM plane -  $(x_1, x_2)$  plane at  $\xi = 0$
- $z = \pm 1/2$  - black and white areas
- $-1/2 < z < 1/2$  - grayscale, naked singularity in the LLM plane - the most black-holish it can possibly get at 1/2 BPS

## LLM solutions – black&white vs. gray

- $z = \pm 1/2$  – black and white areas
- $-1/2 < z < 1/2$  – grayscale, naked singularity in the LLM plane – the most black-holish it can possibly get at  $1/2$  BPS
- Our example: disk+rings (Schur polynomials) vs. disk+gray ring (coarse-grained)



Microscopic: N thin rings



Coarse-grained: 1 gray ring

# Massless scalar waves in LLM

- Massless scalar:

$$\Phi = \exp(-i\omega t + i\phi k + i\ell\psi + i\tilde{\ell}\tilde{\psi})\phi(\rho, \theta)$$

- Introduce  $\theta$  so LLM plane is at  $\theta = 0$  and the AdS boundary is  $\theta = \pi/2 \cup \theta = -\pi/2 \cup \rho \rightarrow \infty$
- Klein-Gordon in LLM:

$$\begin{aligned} & \partial_r^2 \phi + \frac{6\partial_\theta h(1-4z^2) + h \tan \theta ((1-4z^2) + 12hz\partial_\theta z)}{r^2 h(1-4z^2)} \partial_r \phi + \\ & + \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_\theta^2 \phi + \frac{6\partial_r h(1-4z^2) + 2h(6rz\partial_r z + 1-4z^2)}{rh(1-4z^2)} \partial_\theta \phi + \\ & + \left[ \frac{\omega^2 r^2 h^4 - \sec^2 \theta (k + \omega V_\phi)^2}{r^2} + \frac{2\ell(\ell+2)h^4}{1+2z} + \frac{2\tilde{\ell}(\tilde{\ell}+2)h^4}{1-2z} \right] \phi = 0. \end{aligned}$$

## Berry random wave conjecture: practical tests

- Universal two-point correlator  $C_k(r_1 - r_2) \equiv \langle \psi_k(r_1) \psi_k(r_2) \rangle$
- Averaging over  $\phi_j$  uniform gives (in  $d$  spatial dimensions):

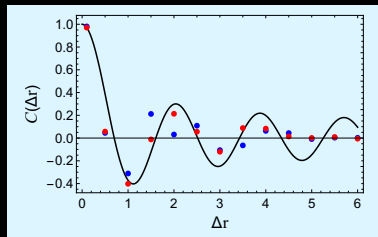
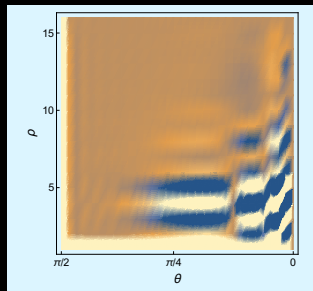
$$C_k(r_1 - r_2) \mapsto C_k(\Delta r) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \left( \frac{kr}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{d}{2}} J_{\frac{d}{2}-1}(k|r_1 - r_2|)$$

- Recipe:
  - Compute the wavefunction  $\phi(r) \equiv \phi(\rho, \theta)$
  - Pick a number of pairs  $(r_1, r_2)$  with different  $\Delta r \equiv r_1 - r_2$
  - Compare to the universal correlator  $C_k(\Delta r)$
- Intensity distribution follows the Porter-Thomas law:

$$P(I) = \frac{e^{-I/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi I}}, \quad I \equiv \frac{|\psi|^2}{\langle |\psi|^2 \rangle}$$

- Note for later: stable periodic orbits lead to caustics, i.e. rare but strong spikes in the tails of Porter-Thomas!

# Weak wave chaos for LLM geometries



Left: Scalar wavefunction in the  $(\rho, \theta)$  plane in black-and-white. Right: normalized correlation function  $C(\Delta r)$  for black-and-white (blue) and grayscale (red), compared to the Berry random wave prediction (black).

The trend: gray geometries show stronger chaos

# D1-D5 supertubes

- Lunin-Mathur solution – take a string with some profile and let it source the geometry:

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{H_1 H_5}} \left[ - \left( dt - A_i dx^i \right)^2 + \left( dy + B_i dx^i \right)^2 \right. \\ \left. + \sqrt{H_1 H_5} \left( dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_3^2 \right) + \frac{r_0^2}{r^2} \left( \cosh \Sigma dt + \sinh \Sigma dy \right)^2 \right].$$

- Two charges ( $Q_1$  and  $Q_5$ ) hence 1/4 BPS
- Circular string – integrable, but any other profile nonintegrable

# D1-D5-P supertubes

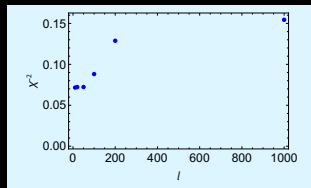
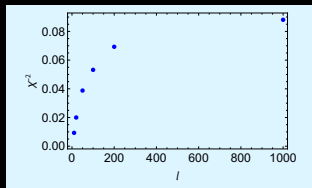
- Many ways to construct the third charge ("bubbling supertubes")
- The interesting way for us: deform the deep IR, i.e. the cap, for example Giusto et al 1211.0306
- Conundrum – this naively corresponds to a fractional spectral flow in the CFT ( $\alpha = 2s/k$ ). But the P-momentum along the circle is still integer:

$$h - \bar{h} = \frac{n}{(N_1, N_5)} = \frac{s(s+1)}{k}.$$

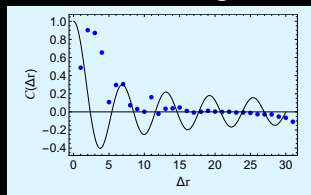
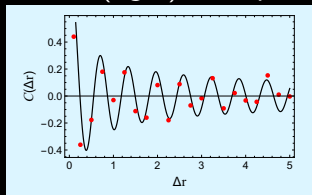
# Decoupling limit

- Domain-wall structure:  $\text{AdS}_3 \times \mathbb{S}^3 \mapsto \text{BTZ} \times \mathbb{S}^3 \mapsto \text{flat}$
- Always take the decoupling limit (get rid of the flat region)
- Reasons: (1) can do AdS/CFT (2) flat region irrelevant for wave chaos (3) interesting black-hole physics is likely in IR
- AdS throat length  $l \sim \sqrt{Q_1 Q_5}/a$

# Wave chaos in D1-D5-P supertubes



Proximity to the Berry random wave correlator (left) and to Thomas-Porter distribution (right) for supertubes with different throat lengths  $l$

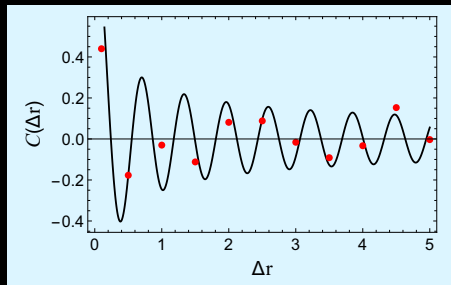


Two-point correlator in D1-D5-P supertube for  $l = 1000$  (left) vs.  $l = 10$  (right).

# Superstrata

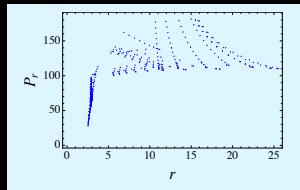
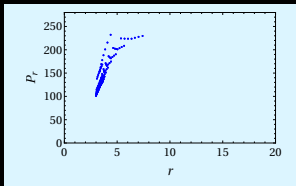
- The essence: take a supertube as “seed” and add oscillations to fluxes
- Geodesic chaos studied in 1709.01107 – from our viewpoint one should rather look for wave chaos
- Regions ( $\text{AdS}_3 \mapsto \text{BTZ} \mapsto \text{flat}$ ):  $r \sim \sqrt{na}$ ,  $r \sim \sqrt{Q_{1,5}}$ ,  $r \gg \sqrt{Q_{1,5}}$

# Wave chaos in superstrata

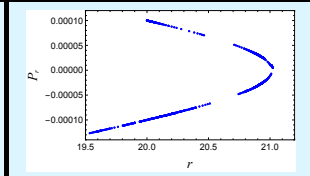
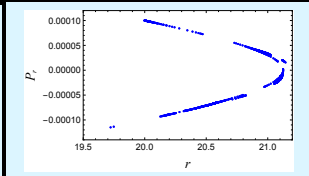
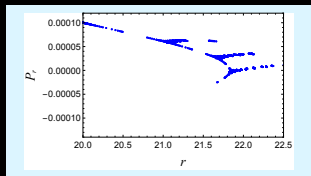


- Correlation functions are very close to the Berry random wave (Bessel) form
- The strongest wave chaos we have found so far

# Superstrata and 3-charge supertube – nearly regular orbits

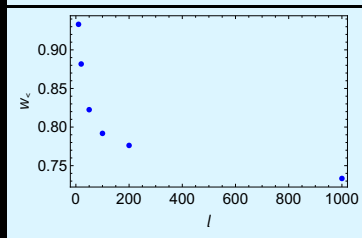
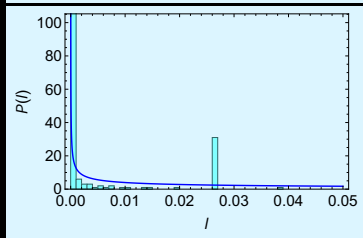
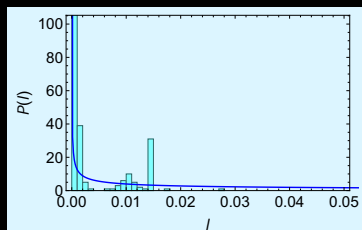
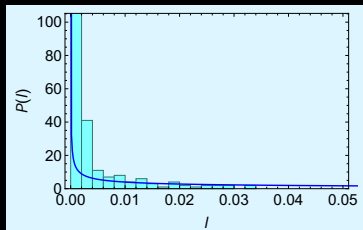


Poincaré sections for a 3-charge supertube, with  $l = 1/2$  (left) and  $l = 1/200$  (right)



Sequence of Poincaré sections for increasing black-hole throat length (0.010, 0.025, 0.070), left to right)

# Caustics from periodic orbits in $\text{AdS}_2$



Porter-Thomas histograms for  $l = 10, 100, 1000$  and the cumulative weight up to some  $l = l_c \gg 1$  (bottom right). Long  $\text{AdS}$  throats have exponentially many periodic orbits leading to caustics and near-integrable dynamics.

# *Resolving the Paradox*

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In a mixed system the spectrum splits into a regular subsequence supported on islands and irregular supported on the chaotic sea

- **Sea** states become **random** waves  $\rightarrow$  correlation **converges** to  $J_0$
- The **regular** ones grow and contribute localized, **caustic**-dominated intensity to  $P(I) \rightarrow$  tail **spikes**
- Classical **trajectories** see the growing **regular** measure directly  $\rightarrow$  geodesics look **more** integrable.

2 Berry wave chaos – CFT picture?

# Towards the CFT picture

- CFT under control at weak coupling/orbifold point vs. gravity under control in classical SUGRA regime  $\Rightarrow$  hard to match
- Remember: no RMT, no OTOC... but also no (semi)classical waves
- Proxy for chaos: Renyi entropies  $S^{(\alpha)}$
- Coefficients  $c_i$  of the state  $\psi$  in some basis:  $\psi = \sum_i c_i |i\rangle$
- Shannon entropy  $S^{(\alpha \rightarrow 1)}$ :  $S_S = -\sum_i |c_i|^2 \log |c_i|^2$
- Participation entropy  $S^{(2)}$ :  $S_p = -\log \sum_{i=1}^N |c_i|^4$
- Not SUSY protected
- But: can likely only grow, not decay as  $g$  grows

## Example: CFT states for superstrata

- The idea: construct a coherent state out of microstates that have correct charges; relate the coefficients to the SUGRA metric functions
- Elementary states  $s \in \{++, +-, -+, --, 00\}$
- $(k, m, n) = (2, 1, n)$  superstratum microstate:

$$\psi(N_1, N_{21n}) = (|++\rangle_1)^{N_1} \prod_k \left[ J_{-1}^+ \frac{(L_{-1} - J_{-1}^0)^k}{k!} |00\rangle_2 \right]^{N_{21n}}$$

- Superstratum coherent (SUGRA) state:

$$\psi(A_1, B_{21n}) = \sum_{N_1, N_{21n}} (A_1 |++\rangle_1)^{N_1} \prod_k \left[ B_{21n} J_{-1}^+ \frac{(L_{-1} - J_{-1}^0)^k}{k!} |00\rangle_2 \right]^{N_{21n}}$$

$$\text{constraint: } N_1 + \sum_n N_{21n} = N$$

# Superstratum complexity

- The CFT state of general  $(k, m, n)$  superstrata in supergravity regime is coherent state:

$$\psi(A_1, B_{k,m,n,0}) = \sum_{p=1}^{N/k} (A_1 | + + \rangle_1)^{N_1} (B_{k,m,n,0} | k, m, n, 0 \rangle)^p, \quad N_1 + kp = N$$

- Variance analysis  $\sigma/\bar{p} \sim 1/\sqrt{N}$  shows that distribution is sharply peaked and Gaussian in the large- $N$  limit
- **Approach:** Analysing the problem for  $k = 1$  using the binomial theorem, and then generalizing it for arbitrary  $k$  via partition function analysis and saddle-point approximation
- **Entropy Scaling:**  $S_S \simeq \log \sqrt{N} = \frac{1}{2} \log N$
- States occupy the effective number of modes  $N_{\text{eff}} \simeq \sqrt{N} \ll N$ , forming a subspace of vanishing size the total Hilbert space for large  $N$
- **Participation entropy and Shannon entropy have the same scaling**
- Since the two entropies provide compatible behavior, further we consider only Shannon entropy

### 3-Charge Supertube complexity

- Supergravity state again is a coherent state:

$$\psi(\{A_k^{(s)}, B_{k,m_k}\}) = \sum_{\{N_{k,m_k}^{(s)}\}} c(\{N_{k,m_k}\}, \{N_k^{(s)}\}) \left[ \prod_s \prod_k (A_k^{(s)} | s)_k^{N_k^{(s)}} \prod_{k,m_k} \left( B_{k,m_k} \frac{(J_{-1/k}^{+})^{m_k}}{m_k!} | 00 \rangle_k \right)^{N_{k,m_k}} \right]$$

- **Approach:** As in the superstratum case, generating function  $Z_N$  and probability distribution  $P$  are evaluated using Stirling's and saddle-point approximation, yielding a Gaussian profile once again

$$P(N) \approx \prod_{s,k} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{s,k}^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(N_k^{(s)} - \bar{N}_k^{(s)})^2}{2\sigma_{s,k}^2}\right) \prod_{k,m_k} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{k,m_k}^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(N_{k,m_k}^{(0,0)} - \bar{N}_{k,m_k}^{(0,0)})^2}{2\sigma_{k,m_k}^2}\right)$$

$$S_S \approx \sum_s \sum_k \left( \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma_{s,k}^2) + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \sum_{k,m_k} \left( \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma_{k,m_k}^2) + \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad N = \sum_s \sum_k \sigma_{s,k}^2 + \sum_{k,m_k} \sigma_{k,m_k}^2$$

- **Entropy Scaling:**  $S_S \simeq \log\left(2\pi N \sqrt{\lambda(1-\lambda)}\right) \implies S_S \sim \log N \implies N_{\text{eff}} = N$
- States occupy an effective number of modes  $N_{\text{eff}} = N$  reproducing the exact scaling expected for black holes, which implies they are more black-holish in the sense of complexity than superstrata

## 2-Charge Supertube and 1/2-BPS LLM states

- In the case of **2-charge supertube** we also have a coherent state:

$$\psi(\{A_k^{(s)}\}) = \sum_{\{N_k^{(s)}\}} c_k^{(s)2} \prod_{k,s} \left( A_k^{(s)} |s\rangle_k \right)^{N_k^{(s)}0}$$

- We are using the same approach as in the 3-charge case

- Entropy Scaling:**  $S_S \simeq \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi N) \sim \log \sqrt{N} \equiv \log N_{\text{eff}}$

(for fixed parameters  $M_s = 1, M = 2$  to ensure a meaningful comparison)

- States occupy a smaller effective subspace, as in the case of superstrata
- No Complexity in 1/2-BPS LLM States:**
  - Disk+ring configuration completely fixed by radii  $R_{1,2,3}$
  - The state is a unique Slater determinant at the weakly coupled level
  - Radial localization driven by Schur polynomial symmetry  $\rightarrow$  nothing to count
  - General coherent states introduce only gauge overcounting ( $\log \text{Vol } U(N)$ )

# CFT complexity – no hierarchy

- Bottom line – BPS hierarchy not visible in  $N_{\text{eff}}$  of the CFT:

$$\frac{1}{2}\text{BPS} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4}\text{BPS} \rightarrow \frac{1}{8}\text{BPS} \rightarrow \frac{1}{8}\text{BPS} \Leftrightarrow 0 \rightarrow N^{1/2} \rightarrow N \rightarrow N^{1/2} \quad \text{WTF?!}$$

- Why the disagreement with Berry wave chaos?
- Answer: complexity does not necessarily imply chaos!

Fractionated superstrata –  
fractionation  $\leftrightarrow$  fortuity?

## Fractionated superstratum states

- Idea: construct a genuine fractional spectral flow, that *has* to be written in terms of  $J_{-1/q}^+$
- Fractionated microstate:

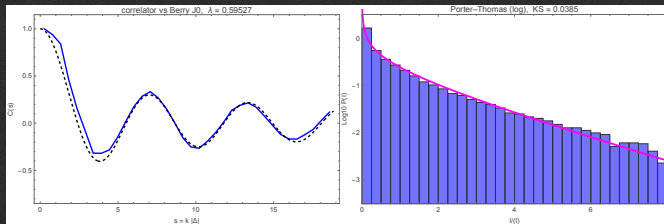
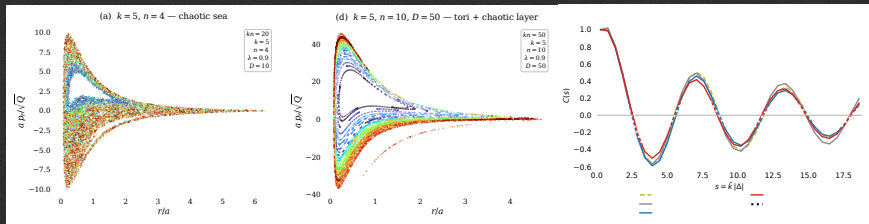
$$\psi(N_1, N_{211}, N_{212}, N_{213}) = (|++\rangle_q)^{N_1} \prod_k \left[ \left( J_{-1/q}^+ \right)^{qk} |00\rangle_{q^2 p} \right]^{N_{2q}} \times \\ \times \prod_l \left[ \left( J_{-1/q}^+ \right)^{ql} |++\rangle_{q(ql+1)} \right]^{N_{3q}} \prod_p \left[ \left( J_{-1/q}^+ \right)^{qp} |--\rangle_{q(qp-1)} \right]^{N_{3q}}$$

- Roughly: create momentum in units of  $1/k$  and thus act with  $k$  times more operators
- The sourcing string  $k$ -wound instead of singly-wound
- Metrics can be written explicitly: cohomogeneity-2 ( $Q_1 = Q_5$ ) and cohomogeneity-3 ( $Q_1 \neq Q_5$ , generic) – SUGRA solutions are functions of  $(r, \theta, \zeta)$
- 4 quantum numbers (instead of 3 quantum numbers)

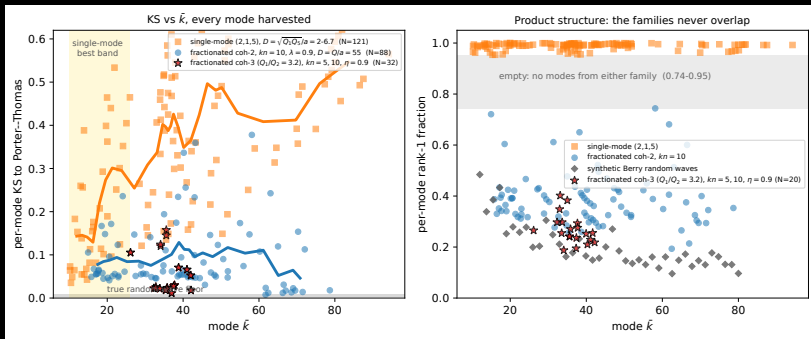
# Fractionation = fortuity?

- Acting by  $J_{-1/k}^+$  imposes an additional consistency condition:  $k$  must divide  $N_1 N_5$
- Consequence: changing  $N_1 \rightarrow N_1 \pm 1$  or  $N_5 \rightarrow N_5 \pm 1$  in general destroys the divisibility by  $k$  and the state thus ceases to exist
- SUGRA consequence: 1 additional parameter in the metric, reduced symmetry
- Unlike fortuity, momentum fractionation is well-defined also at  $N = \infty$

# Genuine Wave Randomness



# Fractionated vs. “naive” superstrata

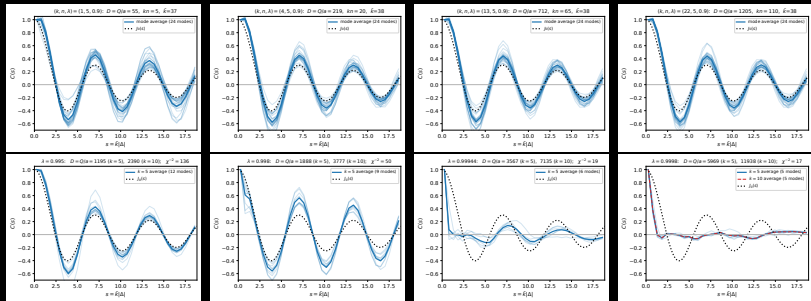


Comparison of Berry wave chaos  $(2, 1, n)$  superstrata (orange) and for two families of fractionated superstrata (blue squares, red stars)

Left: Kolmogorov-Smirnov test of the 2-pt correlator. Right: Separability of the equations of motion (rank of the PDE matrix).

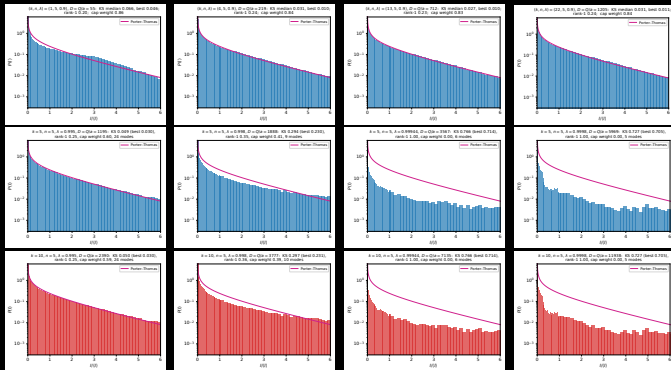
Bottom line: clear “gap” between non-fractionated and fractionated microstates

# Wave chaos in fractionated superstrata: from weak to strong to weak



Blue: Wave chaos first strengthens, then weakens, and finally disappears as  $\ell = Q/a$  grows. Black dots: Berry random wave field.  
Remember: near-extremal black holes have  $\ell \sim 1/T$

# Wave chaos in fractionated superstrata: from weak to strong to weak



Blue: Cumulative weight histograms vs. Porter-Thomas – again the same weak-strong-weak trend.

Red: Same thing, same throat lengths as the second line in blue, but different  $(k, n)$  quantum numbers – *exactly* the same wave chaos behavior

## Nonseparability for fractionated superstrata

- Analytic non-separability of coh-2 fractionated superstrata from HJ equation:

$$(r^2 + a^2) (\partial_r S_r)^2 + (\partial_\theta S_\theta)^2 = \Sigma \mathcal{W}$$

$$\Sigma \mathcal{W} = -\sqrt{\mathcal{P}} g^{AB} p_A p_B, \quad A, B \in \{u, v, \varphi_1, \varphi_2\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \mathcal{W} &= \Sigma \left[ \mathcal{P} (2p_u p_v - \mathcal{F} p_u^2) - \frac{M_1^2}{(r^2 + a^2) \sin^2 \theta} - \frac{M_2^2}{r^2 \cos^2 \theta} \right] \equiv \\ &\equiv \Sigma \mathcal{P} (2p_u p_v - \mathcal{F} p_u^2) + \widetilde{\mathcal{W}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Sigma \mathcal{W} = \Sigma \mathcal{W}|_{b=0} - \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{C} \mathcal{F}, \quad \mathcal{C} \equiv 8kR p_u (m_1 + m_2 + 2kR p_v)$$

- $\Sigma \mathcal{W}|_{b=0}$  is the round supertube potential – separable
- For general  $\mathcal{F}$  need to tune  $\mathcal{C} = 0$  for separability – but that makes  $m_1$  dependent on  $m_2 \Rightarrow$  no fractionation
- Cohomogeneity-3 cases reduce to the same form of  $\Sigma \mathcal{W}$  as cohomogeneity-2

# Separability for fractionated superstrata *with long throat*

- Throat length  $\ell = \sqrt{Q_1 Q_5}/a$  with  $a$  determined by quantum numbers  $k, n, \lambda$
- In the infinite throat limit  $\ell \rightarrow \infty$  with *any* limits for  $Q_{1,5}$  and  $a$  separately we get:

$$\mathcal{F} = -\frac{|b_4|^2}{k^2 R^2 r^2} \left[ 1 - \frac{a^2 \sin^2 \theta}{r^2} - \left( \frac{a^2 \cos^2 \theta}{r^2 + a^2} \right)^{kn} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{a^4}{r^4}\right) \right].$$

- Outcome:  $\mathcal{F}$  separates itself, no need to tune  $\mathcal{C}$
- Remember **PUZZLE 1** – bulk probes in black hole geometries have integrable dynamics
- Fractionated superstrata reproduce this but not the vanilla  $(2, 1, n)$  superstrata

# Conclusions

- SUGRA regime – chaos hierarchy for monotone states:  
 $1/2 \text{ BPS} \rightarrow 1/4 \text{ BPS} \rightarrow 1/8 \text{ BPS}$
- Fortuitous states are exceptional: *stronger* wave chaos in the chaotic regime *but near-integrable* regime for long throats
- What happens when we finally form a black hole? Where is the fast scrambling in gravity?
- If there a red line?



*That's all Folks!*