

# Temperature of Horndeski Black Holes

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# Outline

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## ■ Black holes.....

- constitute a generic class of solutions to general theories of gravity;
- are characterized by their **horizon**.
- **Horizon is boundary of outgoing causal curves in the outside region** and is a **smooth, non-singular codimension one null hypersurface**.
- BHs are generically localized sources of (conserved) charges like **mass, angular momentum, electric and magnetic charges**.

- Studying **classical stationary BH solutions in GR**, revealed that **BH's obey four laws which closely resemble laws of thermodynamics**. [Bardeen, Carter and Hawking (1973)]
- Studying **thermodynamics in presence of BH horizons**, led to the fact that there should be an **entropy associated with BH** to save **2nd law of thermodynamics**. [Bekenstein (1972)]
- For BH solutions to GR, Bekenstein entropy is proportional to the **horizon area**.
- Studying **quantum fields on a BH background** while ignoring back-reaction effects, uncovered that **BHs radiate a perfect black body radiation**, like any thermodynamical system. [Hawking (1974-5)]
- For **stationary BHs with a Killing horizon**, the **Hawking temperature is surface gravity  $\kappa$  divided by  $2\pi$** .

- Combining Bekenstein's and Hawking's results for Killing horizons in GR ( $\hbar = c = 1$ ):

$$S_{\text{BH}} = \frac{A_{\text{H}}}{4G_{\text{N}}}, \quad T_{\text{BH}} = \frac{\kappa}{2\pi} \quad (1)$$

- Hawking temperature can be locally associated with any accelerated observer, as implied by Einstein's Equivalence Principle (EEP). [Unruh (1976)]
- For BHs with bifurcate Killing horizons,
  - BH entropy is a conserved charge. [Wald (1993)]
  - a general formula for entropy of BH solutions to *any diff. invariant theory*, assuming BH temperature is  $\frac{\kappa}{2\pi}$ . [Wald (1993)]
  - first law of thermodynamics for BHs in generic diff inv. gravity theories. [Iyer-Wald (1994)]

- If we denote BH mass, angular momentum and electric charge by  $M$ ,  $J$  and  $Q$ , then:

$$\delta M = T_{\text{BH}} \delta S_{\text{BH}} + \Omega_{\text{H}} \delta J + \Phi_{\text{H}} \delta Q \quad (2)$$

$\Omega_{\text{H}}$ ,  $\Phi_{\text{H}}$  are horizon angular velocity and horizon electric potential.

- “Chemical potentials”  $T_{\text{BH}}$ ,  $\Omega_{\text{H}}$ ,  $\Phi_{\text{H}}$  are
  - properties attributed to the horizon and subject to the first law of BH thermodynamics, and
  - are geometric quantities, only depend on the solution and not the theory, but are observer dependent.
- Charges depend on the solution and the theory.
- Among all the charges, entropy is different, as it is dimensionless and observer independent.

## ■ Wald Entropy.....

- works for bifurcate Killing horizons,
- is the Noether-Wald conserved charge associated with the Killing vector field which generates the horizon  $\zeta_H$ ,
- depends only on the BH solution (metric) and the gravitational part of the action,
- *it uses surface gravity=temperature as an input/assumption,*
- for Einstein GR it reduces to the Bekenstein-Hawking area law.

## ■ Short review of derivation of the Wald Entropy

- Consider
  - a generally covariant gravity theory governed by the Lagrangian (top-form)  $\mathbf{L}(g_{\mu\nu}, \nabla_{\mu}; \Phi)$ , and
  - a BH solution to this theory with bifurcate Killing horizon generated by  $\zeta_{\mathcal{H}}$ .
- Surface gravity  $\kappa$  is then defined as

$$(\mathbf{d}\zeta_{\mathcal{H}})_{\mu\nu} := 2\kappa \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \quad (3)$$

$\epsilon_{\mu\nu}$  is the bi-normal two form to the codimension 2 bifurcation surface of the horizon  $\mathcal{H}$ , normalized as

$$\epsilon^{\mu\nu} \epsilon_{\mu\nu} = -2$$

- Noether-Wald conserved charge associated with  $\zeta_H$  is

$$S_{\text{BH}}^{\text{W}} = Q_{\zeta_H} = 2\pi \oint_{\mathcal{H}} Q_{\text{Wald}} \quad (4)$$

where  $Q_{\text{Wald}}$  is the  $(d-2)$ -form:

$$Q_{\alpha_1\alpha_2\cdots\alpha_{d-2}} = Q^{\rho\lambda} \epsilon_{\rho\lambda\alpha_1\alpha_2\cdots\alpha_{d-2}}$$

$$Q^{\rho\lambda} := -\frac{\delta\mathcal{L}}{\delta R_{\mu\nu\rho\lambda}} \epsilon_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2\kappa} \frac{\delta\mathcal{L}}{\delta R_{\mu\nu\rho\lambda}} (d\zeta_H)_{\mu\nu}$$

- Noether-Wald charge density has various **ambiguities**:

$$Q = Q_{\text{Wald}} + W(\Phi, \partial\Phi) \cdot \zeta_H + dZ(\Phi, \partial\Phi; \zeta_H) + Y(\Phi, \delta_{\zeta_H}\Phi),$$

$W, Z$  terms are linear in  $\zeta_H$  and  $Y$  is linear in  $\delta_{\zeta_H}\Phi$ .

- $W$  ambiguity comes from shift of Lagrangian by a total derivative:  
 $L \rightarrow L + dW$ .

- One needs to argue that these ambiguities do not contribute.
- Recall that
  - $\delta_{\zeta_H} \Phi = 0$  everywhere since  $\zeta_H$  is a Killing (global symmetry of the solution), and
  - At  $\mathcal{H}$ ,  $\zeta_H = 0$ .
- So, if any  $W, Z, Y$  constructed from the background field solutions computed at the horizon  $\mathcal{H}$  are finite, the ambiguities cancel out.
- Wald argued that this condition holds as the BH solution is smooth at  $\mathcal{H}$  and hence no such ambiguities.

- Nonetheless, smoothness of horizon, as we show explicitly, does **not** necessarily imply vanishing of these ambiguities.
- $W \cdot \zeta_H$  can remain finite for certain BH solutions in certain theories, despite having smooth horizons.
- We show this happens for a class of BH solutions to **Horndeski theories**, where we explicitly construct such a **W** ambiguity term.
- Non-vanishing ambiguity means **Wald's entropy formula** and hence **Wald's derivation of the first law**, should be revisited in these cases.

- To resolve the issue, we use **Solution Phase Space Method (SPSM)** for computing conserved charges, which again Wald had an important role in its development.
- **SPSM** does not suffer from the  **$W$**  ambiguity issue, but gives **charge variations** and to have well-defined charges we need to impose the **integrability condition**.
- Our main result is that

**integrability condition for the entropy requires revising  
surface gravity = temperature  
assumption.**

## ■ Brief review on Solution Phase Space Method (SPSM)

- SPSM is based on **covariant phase space method (CPSM)** which was developed by **Lee & Wald (1991)** and then expanded by many others in particular **Wald (1993)**; **Iyer & Wald (1994)**; **Barnich & Brandt (2002)** and **Barnich & Compere (2008)**.
- SPSM and its power to analyze BH thermodynamics was discussed in **Hajian & MMSHJ (2015)**.
- **CPSM** asserts that

All field configurations (histories) may form a **Phase Space**, with a **symplectic structure** systematically constructed from the action of the theory.

- Consider a field configuration  $\Phi$  and perturbations around it  $\delta\Phi$ .
- On-shell field configurations  $\bar{\Phi}$  satisfy field equations and on-shell perturbations  $\delta\Phi$  satisfy linearized field equations.
- Set of  $\bar{\Phi}$  may be viewed as coordinates on a phase space and  $\delta\Phi$  as one-forms in the corresponding cotangent space.
- On-shell cotangent space includes two important directions:
  - $\delta\Phi$  generated by gauge and/or diffeo's transformations on  $\bar{\Phi}$ ;
  - parametric variations, generated by moving in the parameter space of the solutions  $\bar{\Phi}$ , e.g. the difference between two Sch'd solutions with masses  $m$  and  $m + \delta m$ .

## ► Symplectic structure

- Let  $\omega$  be a *finite, on-shell closed, nondegenerate*  $(d-1; 2)$ -form, a  $d-1$  form in spacetime and a two-form over tangent space :

$$\omega = \omega[\delta_1\Phi, \delta_2\Phi; \bar{\Phi}]$$

- Symplectic structure  $\Omega_\Sigma$  is a  $(0; 2)$ -form, defined by integration of symplectic current  $\omega$  over a *Cauchy surface*  $\Sigma$ :

$$\Omega_\Sigma[\delta_1\Phi, \delta_2\Phi; \bar{\Phi}] = \int_\Sigma \omega[\delta_1\Phi, \delta_2\Phi; \bar{\Phi}]$$

- *Presymplectic potential*  $\theta[\delta\Phi; \Phi]$ :  $\omega = \delta\theta$ , or

$$\omega[\delta_1\Phi, \delta_2\Phi; \Phi] = \delta_1\theta[\delta_2\Phi; \Phi] - \delta_2\theta[\delta_1\Phi; \Phi]$$

$\theta$  is a  $(d-1; 1)$ -form.

- The **Lee-Wald** contribution to  $\theta$ :

$$\delta L|_{on-shell} = d\theta_{(LW)}.$$

- Ambiguity of adding total derivatives to Lagrangian,  $L \rightarrow L + dW$ , leads to an ambiguity in  $\theta$ ,

$$\theta \rightarrow \theta + \delta W.$$

- Moreover,  $\theta$  is ambiguous up to *boundary terms*  $Y$ :

$$\theta = \theta_{(LW)} + dY.$$

$Y = Y(\Phi, \delta\Phi)$  is a  $(d-2; 1)$ -form.

- $W$  does **not** change symplectic potential  $\omega$ , while

$$\omega = \omega_{(LW)} + d\delta Y.$$

- Therefore, symplectic form is free of **W** ambiguity while the **Y** still needs to be dealt with.
- There is a “**Z** ambiguity” which will appear when we discuss the surface charges.
- Consistency of symplectic structure requires
  - Conservation:
 
$$d\omega[\delta_1\Phi, \delta_2\Phi; \Phi] \approx 0 \quad \text{for all on-shell fields and perturbations.}$$
  - Non-degeneracy:  $\Omega_\Sigma$  has no degenerate directions, is conserved and is independent of  $\Sigma$ .

## ■ Surface charges

- Fundamental Theorem of Covariant Phase Space Method

$$\omega [\delta\Phi, \delta_\chi\Phi; \Phi] \approx d\mathbf{K}_\chi[\delta\Phi; \Phi]$$

where  $\delta_\chi\Phi$  is a specific transformation generated by a **symmetry**  $\chi$ , and  $\mathbf{K}$  is a  $(d-2; 1)$ -form.

- The above defines  $\mathbf{K}$  up to a **Z** ambiguity,  $\mathbf{K} \rightarrow \mathbf{K} + d\mathbf{Z}$ .
- Given  $\mathbf{K}$  one can define **charge variations**:

$$\delta Q_\chi = \oint_{\partial\Sigma} \mathbf{K}_\chi[\delta\Phi; \bar{\Phi}]$$

where  $\partial\Sigma$  is the **boundary** of  $\Sigma$ .

- If  $\partial\Sigma$  is compact,  $\mathbf{Z}$  ambiguity does not affect the charge variation.
- If  $\delta Q_\chi$  is non-zero on the phase space,  $\chi$  a physical symmetry generator.
- $\delta Q_\chi$  is a  $(0; 1)$ -form.
- Charge  $Q_\chi$  is integrable if  $\delta Q_\chi$  is an exact form. The necessary condition for that is,

$$\delta_1 \delta_2 Q_\chi - \delta_2 \delta_1 Q_\chi = 0$$

- Integrability [Lee-Wald '1991]:

$$\oint_{\Sigma} \chi \cdot \omega[\delta_1 \Phi, \delta_2 \Phi; \bar{\Phi}] = 0, \quad \forall \chi, \delta \Phi$$

There usually exist  $\mathbf{Y}$  terms which guarantee the above.

- Using integrability one can define surface charges  $Q_\chi$ :

$$Q_\chi[\Phi] = \int_{\gamma} \oint_{\partial \Sigma} \mathbf{K}_\chi[\delta \Phi; \Phi] + N_\chi[\Phi]$$

where  $N$  is the zero point charge.

- $Q_\chi$  is then the Hamiltonian associated with transformations generated by  $\chi$ .

- ▶ For BH thermodynamics we restrict ourselves to
  - “exact symmetries” (Killing vectors) for which  $\delta_\xi \Phi = 0$  and,
  - the cotangent space to be parametric variations.
- In this case the charge variation is symplectic and  $\partial\Sigma$  can be any compact, spacelike codimension 2 surface in spacetime.
- $\partial\Sigma$  need not necessarily be  $d - 2$  dimensional (celestial) sphere at infinity,  $i^0$  or  $\mathcal{H}$ ; these charges are symplectic and may be defined at any radius [Hajian & MMSHJ (2015)].
- For the BH entropy and  $\zeta_H$  we may choose  $\partial\Sigma = \mathcal{H}$  to remove the  $Y$  ambiguity.
- But, we still need to check integrability of the charge.

## ■ Review of Horndeski theories

- Horndeski gravity is a family of scalar-tensor gravity theories with second order field equations and in general governed by the action:

$$S_{\text{Horn.}} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_{\text{N}}} \int d^d x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Horn.}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Horn.}} = & \mathcal{G}_2(\phi, \mathcal{X}) - \mathcal{G}_3(\phi, \mathcal{X}) \square\phi + \mathcal{G}_4(\phi, \mathcal{X}) R + \mathcal{G}'_4(\phi, \mathcal{X}) \left( (\square\phi)^2 - (\partial_{\mu\nu}\phi)^2 \right) \\ & - \mathcal{G}_5(\phi, \mathcal{X}) G^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\mu\nu}\phi - \frac{\mathcal{G}'_5(\phi, \mathcal{X})}{6} \left( (\square\phi)^3 + 2(\partial_{\mu\nu}\phi)^3 - 3\square\phi(\partial_{\mu\nu}\phi)^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

where  $G_{\mu\nu}$  is the Einstein tensor,  $\partial_{\mu\nu}\phi = \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi$ ,  $\square\phi = g^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\mu\nu}\phi$ ,  $\mathcal{X} := -\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi$  and  $\mathcal{G}'_i = d\mathcal{G}_i/d\mathcal{X}$ .

- In our conventions  $\mathcal{G}_4(\phi = 0, \mathcal{X} = 0) = 1$ . This is how we define the Newton constant  $G_{\text{N}}$ .

- Let's consider a family of Horndeski theories:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Horn.}} = \mathcal{G}_2 + \mathcal{G}_3 + (\mathcal{G} - \mathcal{G}'\chi)R + \mathcal{G}'G^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi$$

- This theory has been studied a lot, in the context of cosmology as it may provide a good model for **dark energy**.
- In this theory **speed of gravitons is different than speed of light**.
- Photon to graviton speed ratio was severely constrained by the LIGO/Virgo **GW170817** two neutron stars merger into BH,

$$\left| \frac{c_g}{c_\gamma} - 1 \right| \lesssim 10^{-15}$$

removing the prospect of being a viable dark energy model.

► **W** ambiguity in Horndeski theory

- Recall Horndeski theories:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Horn.}} = \mathcal{G}_2 + \mathcal{G}_3 + (\mathcal{G} - \mathcal{G}'\mathcal{X})R + \mathcal{G}'G^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi$$

- Since  $G^{\mu\nu} = R^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g^{\mu\nu}R$ , we have terms like  $R^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi$ :

$$R^{\rho\sigma}\partial_\rho\phi\partial_\sigma\phi = -(\nabla_\rho\nabla_\sigma\phi)^2 + (\square\phi)^2 + \nabla_\mu(\nabla_\nu\phi\nabla^\nu\nabla^\mu\phi - \square\phi\nabla^\mu\phi).$$

- Explicit dependence on the Ricci tensor  $R_{\mu\nu}$  can be removed in favor of terms with  $\phi$  derivatives and hence  $\frac{\delta\mathcal{L}}{\delta R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}}$  which appears in the Wald entropy. This leads to ambiguous due to a **W** ambiguity:

$$(\mathcal{Q}^{\mu\nu})_{\mu_3\dots\mu_n} \rightarrow (\mathcal{Q}^{\mu\nu})_{\mu_3\dots\mu_n} + \lambda\frac{\delta R^{\rho\sigma}}{\delta R_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}}\partial_\rho\phi\partial_\sigma\phi\epsilon_{\alpha\beta\mu_3\dots\mu_n}.$$

- To circumvent this problem in Horndeski gravity, we use the solution phase space method.

## ■ Entropy of Horndeski black holes, SPSM

- Variation of the Hamiltonian generator associated with flows of  $\zeta_H$ :

$$\delta H_{\zeta_H} = \int_{\mathcal{H}} \mathbf{k}_{\zeta_H}(\delta\Phi, \bar{\Phi}).$$

- The entropy variation  $\delta S_{\text{BH}}$  which satisfies a consistent **first law** is

$$\delta H_{\zeta_H} := T_{\text{BH}} \delta S_{\text{BH}} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \delta S_{\text{BH}} := \frac{1}{T_{\text{BH}}} \int_{\mathcal{H}} \mathbf{k}_{\zeta_H}(\delta\Phi, \bar{\Phi}),$$

- $T_{\text{BH}}$  is the black hole temperature and should be a **purely geometric quantity and a constant over  $\mathcal{H}$** .
- Above definition yields an entropy variation free of **W** ambiguity.
- Key question is to find  $T_{\text{BH}}$  which makes the entropy **integrable**.
- The usual  $T_{\text{BH}} = \frac{\kappa}{2\pi}$ , does not work for Horndeski theory, as  $c_g \neq 1$ .

## ■ Speed of gravitons in Horndeski theories

- While generally covariant, Horndeski theories do not obey **Strong Equivalence Principle**.
- Gravitons do not necessarily move on the null geodesics, while photons can be moving on null geodesics.
- **Speed of gravitons  $c_g$  depends on the background** and to find it one should linearize the theory around a given background solution.
- Here we present a shortcut for computation of  $c_g$ .

► “ $\phi + 3$ ” decomposition of Horndeski theories

- Consider a field configuration  $g_{\mu\nu}, \phi$  and let

$$g_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu} + \sigma \phi_\mu \phi_\nu, \quad \phi_\mu := \frac{\partial_\mu \phi}{|\partial\phi|}$$

$\sigma$  is sign of  $\phi_\mu \phi^\mu$ ,  $\sigma = -1$  for cosmological backgrounds and  $+1$  for black holes, and

$h_{\mu\nu}$  is the metric along constant  $\phi$  surface,  $h_{\mu\nu} \phi^\nu = 0$ .

- “ $\phi + 3$ ” decomposed Lagrangian is [arXiv:1304.4840]

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{G}_2 + \mathcal{G}_3 + \mathcal{G} \, {}^{(3)}\mathcal{R} + (\mathcal{G} - 2\mathcal{X}\mathcal{G}') (K_{\mu\nu} K^{\mu\nu} - K^2) + 2\sqrt{-2\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{G}_{,\phi} K + \text{total derivative terms}$$

${}^{(3)}\mathcal{R}$  is the scalar curvature of  $h_{\mu\nu}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}_{,\phi} = d\mathcal{G}/d\phi$  and  $K$  is the extrinsic curvature of our constant  $\phi$  surfaces,

$$K_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu}^{\alpha} \nabla_{\alpha} \phi_{\nu}, \quad K = K^{\mu}_{\mu}$$

- For a black hole
  - $\phi_\mu$  is typically along the “radial direction” and is normal to the horizon,
  - time direction is in the “3” part, along  $h_{\mu\nu}$  and normal to  $\phi_\mu$ .
  - One can directly read the speed of gravitons:

$$c_g^2 = \begin{cases} \frac{g-2\chi g'}{g} & \text{for gravitons moving along } \phi_\mu \\ \frac{g}{g} = 1 & \text{for gravitons moving normal to } \phi_\mu \end{cases}$$

- For cosmological FLRW backgrounds,  $\phi_\mu$  is timelike and

$$c_g^2 = \frac{g}{g-2\chi g'} \text{ for all gravitons.}$$

## ■ Effective Metric for Gravitons (EMG)

- Given direction dependent speed of gravitons, one may ask what is the “effective metric”  $\mathfrak{g}_{\mu\nu}$  where the gravitons move on its null rays,  $\mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu}k_\mu k_\nu = 0$ .

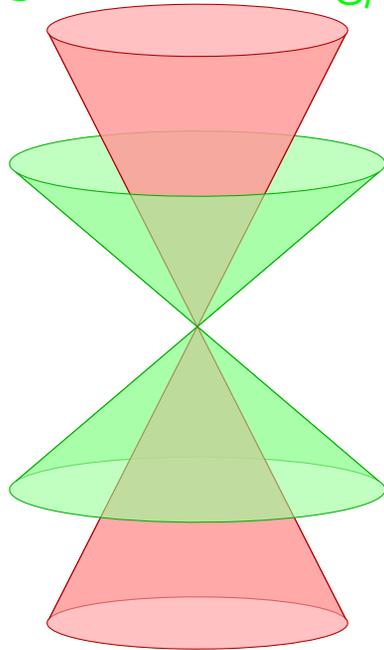
- It is easy to write this metric:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathfrak{g}_{\mu\nu} &= (\mathfrak{g} - 2\chi\mathfrak{g}')g_{\mu\nu} - \mathfrak{g}'\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi \\ &= (\mathfrak{g} - 2\chi\mathfrak{g}')h_{\mu\nu} + \mathfrak{g}\phi_\mu\phi_\nu\end{aligned}$$

- To avoid a singular effective metric we assume  $\mathfrak{g}', \mathfrak{g} - 2\chi\mathfrak{g}' \neq 0$ .
- The above is a **disformal map** from original spacetime metric.

■ Depiction of lightcones for gravitons and other fields

lightcone for  $g_{\mu\nu}$



lightcone for  $g_{\mu\nu}$

*For our examples  $c_g^2 \leq 1$*

Well-posedness of Horndeski dynamics requires the above form of light-cones, Kovacs & Reall, arXiv:2003.08389; Reall, arXiv:2101.11623

## ■ Effective surface gravity for gravitons

- Surface gravity as seen by gravitons for a horizon generated by Killing vector  $\zeta_H^\mu$  is

$$d\zeta_H = 2\kappa c_g \mathcal{E} \quad \text{at the horizon,}$$

- where,
  - $\zeta_H$  is normal to  $\phi_\mu$  at the horizon,
  - $\kappa$  is the surface gravity in the matter metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$ ,
  - $\mathcal{E}$  is the bi-normal tensor to the bifurcation surface  $\mathcal{H}$ , normalized as  $\mathcal{E}_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{E}^{\mu\nu} = -2$ .
  - Indices on  $\zeta_H^\mu$ ,  $\mathcal{E}$  are lowered and raised by the effective graviton metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$ .

- We need to rewrite the above in terms of  $\epsilon$ , the volume two form of the original metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$ .

- Recalling the disformal map,

$$\mathcal{E} = \sqrt{\mathcal{G}(\mathcal{G} - 2\mathcal{X}\mathcal{G}')} \epsilon.$$

- Inserting this into the above we obtain

$$d\zeta_H = 2\kappa (\mathcal{G} - 2\mathcal{X}\mathcal{G}') \epsilon,$$

- Effective graviton surface gravity  $\kappa_g$  is hence

$$\kappa_g = \kappa (\mathcal{G} - 2\mathcal{X}\mathcal{G}').$$

- The above suggests

$$T_{\text{gravitons}} := \frac{\kappa_g}{2\pi} = (\mathcal{G} - 2\mathcal{X}\mathcal{G}') T_0, \quad T_0 = \frac{\kappa}{2\pi} \quad (5)$$

## ■ Example 1: Charged BH in Horndeski theory

- Consider the Horndeski-Maxwell theory,

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \left( R - F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + 2\gamma G^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi \right)$$

- This action corresponds to  $\mathcal{G}_2 = 0, \mathcal{G}_4 = 1, \mathcal{G}_5 = 2\gamma\phi$ , which yields  $\mathcal{G} = 1 + 2\gamma\mathcal{X}$  and  $F = dA$  is the electromagnetic field strength.
- This theory has a spherically symmetric charged black hole solution:

$$ds^2 = -h(r)dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\varphi^2),$$
$$h = 1 - \frac{2m}{r} + \frac{q^2}{r^2} - \frac{q^4}{12r^4}, \quad f = \frac{4r^4 h}{(2r^2 - q^2)^2}.$$

$$A = \left( \frac{q}{r} - \frac{q^3}{6r^3} \right) dt, \quad d\phi = \sqrt{\frac{-q^2}{2\gamma r^2 f}} dr.$$

- To have a real  $\phi$  we take  $\gamma < 0$ .

- This solution is asymptotically flat and horizon is at  $h = f = 0$ ,

$$r_H - 2m + \frac{q^2}{r_H} - \frac{q^4}{12r_H^3} = 0.$$

- While the derivative of the scalar field diverges at the horizon,

$$\gamma \partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi = \frac{-q^2}{2r^2}, \quad \mathfrak{g} = 1 + 2\gamma \mathcal{X} = 1 + \frac{q^2}{2r^2}$$

is finite at the horizon.

- Standard methods for calculating conserved charges yields

$$M = \frac{m}{G_N}, \quad Q = \frac{q}{G_N}$$

- Surface gravity and horizon electric potential are

$$\kappa = \frac{2r_H^2 - q^2}{4r_H^3}, \quad \Phi_H = \frac{q}{r_H} - \frac{q^3}{6r_H^3}.$$

- With the Hawking temperature  $T_0 = \frac{\kappa}{2\pi}$  and the Wald entropy, which yields the usual area law for this example

$$S_{\text{BH}}^{\text{Wald}} = \pi r_H^2 / G_N,$$

the first law

$$\delta S = \frac{1}{T_0} (\delta M - \Phi_H \delta Q)$$

does not hold.

- Also, with  $T_{\text{BH}} = T_0$ , the entropy obtained in the SPSM is **not integrable over parameters  $m$  and  $q$  of the solution**. This can be easily seen by replacing all terms in RHS of  $\delta S$  above in terms of  $m, q$  and observe that it is not variation of some  $S(m, q)$ .

- However the temperature,

$$T_{\text{BH}} = (\mathcal{G} - 2\chi\mathcal{G}')\Big|_{\text{H}} T_0 = \left(1 - \frac{q^2}{2r_{\text{H}}^2}\right) T_0 = \frac{\left(1 - \frac{q^2}{2r_{\text{H}}^2}\right)^2}{4\pi r_{\text{H}}},$$

makes the entropy integrable, which for this example is given by the usual Bekenstein-Hawking entropy  $S_{\text{BH}} = \pi r_{\text{H}}^2 / G_{\text{N}}$ .

- With this entropy and temperature, it is immediate to verify that the first law takes the usual form,

$$T_{\text{BH}} \delta S_{\text{BH}} = \delta M - \Phi_{\text{H}} \delta Q.$$

- Note that

$$T_{\text{BH}} \leq T_0, \quad c_g^2\Big|_{\mathcal{H}} = \frac{1 - \frac{q^2}{2r_{\text{H}}^2}}{1 + \frac{q^2}{2r_{\text{H}}^2}} < 1.$$

## ■ Example 2: Rotating BTZ-Horndeski black holes

- Consider a 3d AdS-Horndeski theory,

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \left( R - 2\Lambda - 2(\alpha g^{\mu\nu} - \gamma G^{\mu\nu}) \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi \right)$$

with arbitrary  $\Lambda$  and  $\alpha, \gamma < 0$ .

- It admits a rotating neutral BTZ-like black hole solution:

$$ds^2 = -h dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{h} + r^2 \left( d\varphi - \frac{j}{r^2} dt \right)^2,$$
$$h = -m + \frac{\alpha r^2}{\gamma} + \frac{j^2}{r^2}, \quad d\phi = \sqrt{\frac{-(\alpha + \gamma\Lambda)}{2\alpha\gamma h}} dr$$

where  $(m, j)$  are solution parameters.

- Mass, angular momentum, horizon angular velocity, surface gravity, and horizon radii for this solution are

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= \frac{(\alpha - \Lambda\gamma)m}{16\alpha G_N}, & J &= \frac{(\alpha - \Lambda\gamma)j}{8\alpha G_N}, & \Omega_{\pm} &= \frac{j}{r_{\pm}^2}, \\
 \kappa_{\pm} &= \frac{\alpha(r_+^2 - r_-^2)}{\gamma r_{\pm}}, & r_{\pm}^2 &= \frac{\gamma m \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 m^2 - 4\gamma\alpha j^2}}{2\alpha}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- In order to have a well-defined BH solution,  $\alpha/\gamma > 0$  and  $\Lambda < -\alpha/\gamma$ .
- Using our formula for the temperature,

$$T_{\text{BH}} = \left( \frac{\alpha - \Lambda\gamma}{2\alpha} \right) T_0, \quad T_0 = \frac{\kappa}{2\pi}.$$

- Using  $T_{\text{BH}}$ , SPSM yields  $S_{\text{BH}} = 2\pi r_{\text{H}}/(4G_{\text{N}})$  as the entropy.
- The above satisfy the first law for each one of the horizons

$$T_{\text{BH}} \delta S_{\text{BH}} = \delta M - \Omega_{\text{H}} \delta J.$$

- Other examples may be found in our paper [[arXiv:2005.12985](https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.12985)].
- These examples include all known “non-trivial” Horndeski BH’s.
- For all of these examples SPSM yields an integrable entropy, and the correct first law once we use  $T_{\text{gravitons}}$  as the temperature.

# Summary & Concluding Remarks

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⊛ Wald entropy formula,

$$S_{\text{BH}}^{\text{W}} = \oint_{\mathcal{H}} \frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta R_{\mu\nu\rho\lambda}} \epsilon_{\rho\lambda\alpha_1\alpha_2\cdots\alpha_{d-2}} \left( d \left( \frac{2\pi\zeta_{\text{H}}}{\kappa} \right) \right)_{\mu\nu}$$

established entropy of a black hole with a bifurcate Killing horizon as the Noether charge associated with the Killing vector field generating the horizon  $\zeta_{\text{H}}$  normalized by the Bekenstein-Hawking entropy:

$$\xi_{\text{H}} := \frac{\zeta_{\text{H}}}{T_0}, \quad T_0 := \frac{\kappa}{2\pi}.$$

⊛ It is very elegant and seemed to always work prior to our work.

⊛ Wald entropy has ambiguities which had been discussed to “always” vanish for a bifurcate Killing horizon.

- ⊛ We discussed there are cases for which this does not necessarily hold.
- ⊛ For Horndeski theory we showed  $W$  ambiguity need not vanish.
- ⊛ To avoid the ambiguities we suggested to use **solution phase space method** to compute **entropy variation**.
- ⊛ In the SPSM we need to check **integrability** of the entropy variation.
- ⊛ We studied several examples of Horndeski black holes, solutions to,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Horn.}} = \mathcal{G}_2 + \mathcal{G}_3 + (\mathcal{G} - \mathcal{G}'\mathcal{X})R + \mathcal{G}'G^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi$$

with  $\mathcal{G}_2, \mathcal{G}$  being functions of  $\mathcal{X} = -(\partial\phi)^2/2$  and  $G^{\mu\nu}$  is Einstein tensor.

⊛ We observed that the SPSM entropy become integrable if we change the normalization of  $\xi_H$  to

$$\xi_H := \frac{\zeta_H}{T_{\text{BH}}}, \quad T_{\text{BH}} := \frac{\kappa}{2\pi} (\mathcal{G} - 2\mathcal{G}'\mathcal{X}),$$

computed on the solution at the horizon  $\mathcal{H}$ .

⊛ The issue with Wald entropy hints to **redefinition of BH temperature**.

⊛ BH temperature should be a geometric quantity associated with BH horizon. We hence searched for such an understanding.

⊛ Gravitons on Horndeski backgrounds move with a speed different than speed of light.

⊛ Gravitons on Horndeski backgrounds move on null geodesics of a disformal metric:

$$g_{\mu\nu} = (\mathfrak{g} - 2\chi\mathfrak{g}')g_{\mu\nu} - \mathfrak{g}'\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi$$

and hence for BH backgrounds

$$c_g^2 = \begin{cases} \frac{\mathfrak{g} - 2\chi\mathfrak{g}'}{\mathfrak{g}} & \text{for gravitons moving along } \phi_\mu \\ \frac{\mathfrak{g}}{\mathfrak{g}} = 1 & \text{for gravitons moving normal to } \phi_\mu \end{cases}$$

⊛ Moreover,

$$d\zeta_H = 2\kappa_g \epsilon, \quad \kappa_g = \kappa (\mathfrak{g} - 2\chi\mathfrak{g}'),$$

and hence

$$T_{\text{gravitons}} := \frac{\kappa_g}{2\pi} = (\mathfrak{g} - 2\chi\mathfrak{g}') T_0, \quad T_0 = \frac{\kappa}{2\pi}$$

⊛  $T_{\text{BH}} = T_{\text{gravitons}}|_{\mathcal{H}}$  yields an integrable entropy and a well-behaved first law.

⊗ BH temperature is a geometric quantity associated with the **gravitons** near the horizon.

⊗ Recalling Wald's formula (or its SPSM variant) BH entropy is also depending only on the **gravity sector** of the Lagrangian.

⊗ For theories which do not respect **Einstein's or Strong Equivalence Principle** we need to revise the expressions for entropy or temperature.

⊗ Our observations and results touches upon the building principles semiclassical aspects of BH physics are stemming from.

It disentangles roles of **general covariance**, **local Lorentz symmetry**, **various versions and statements of equivalence principle**, **background independence** and ....

## ⊛ On the second law of BH thermodynamics

- Assigning a temperature different than  $\kappa/(2\pi)$  raises the question about generalized second law of thermodynamics.
- Consider lump of gas of photons of energy  $\delta E \ll m_{\text{BH}}$  at temperature  $T_\gamma$  falling into the hole. The first law implies

$$T_{\text{BH}} \Delta S_{\text{BH}} = \delta E = \frac{3}{4} T_\gamma S_\gamma,$$

where  $\Delta S_{\text{BH}}$  is the change in the entropy of the hole due to the fall and  $S_\gamma$  is the entropy of the photon lump.

- The second law requires,

$$\Delta S_{\text{BH}} \geq S_{\gamma} \quad \text{or} \quad T_{\text{BH}} \leq \frac{3}{4} T_{\gamma}.$$

- For a photon to be absorbed into the hole its wave-length should be smaller than  $4r_{\text{H}}$  and hence  $T_{\gamma} \sim (4r_{\text{H}})^{-1}$ .
- Therefore, a **sufficient but not necessary condition** for the second law is  $T_{\text{BH}} \leq \frac{3}{16r_{\text{H}}}$ , which is satisfied for all examples we have explored.
- There are various arguments supporting/deriving the second law.
- One should of course make sure our general picture and analysis guarantees the generalized second law beyond known Horndeski examples discussed above.

- ⊛ Associating the temperature and entropy only to gravitational sector, may remedy the [species problem](#).
  
- ⊛ One should still explore and establish further our proposal by
  - repeating Hawking's analysis,
  
  - Unruh's derivation of the BH temperature,
  
  - Gibbons-Hawking Euclidean on-shell action computation and deriving the free energy.
  
  - Explore more closely the role of [scalar field](#) in the gravity sector, e.g. by analyzing Einstein-Æther theories where there could be spontaneous breaking of Lorentz symmetry in the near horizon geometry yielding a direction-dependent speed of gravitons.

*Laws of BH thermodynamics are deeply rooted in the fabric of gravity theories.*

They seem to be deeper than Equivalence Principle or general covariance.

Horndeski BH examples may be a window to further explore these deeper roots.

*Thank You For Your Attention*