

# The D-Star and its Decays

- a phenomenological parton model of  
the bound states of heavy D-particles

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1. YM Phase transitions & their  
SUGRA counterparts
2. Mean field theory & Black hole thermodynamics
3. Matrix string limit & the correspondence principle

- Matrix theory (BFSS) asserts that low-energy dynamics of many (say  $N$ ) D $p$ -branes on  $\tilde{T}^P$  reproduces 11D SUGRA on  $T^P$  in the infinite momentum frame (IMF). The appropriate kinematic regime is (BFSS, Sen, Seiberg, Maldacena, ...)

M-theory

$$g_s = \left(\frac{R}{l_{pl}}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \rightarrow 0$$

$$R_1, \dots, R_p \rightarrow 0$$

$$E \rightarrow 0$$

$$N \rightarrow \infty$$

SYM

$$\tilde{R}_i = \frac{l_{pl}^3}{RR_i} \text{ fixed}$$

$$g_{YM}^2 = \frac{R^3 \tilde{R}_1 \dots \tilde{R}_p}{l_{pl}^6} \text{ fixed}$$

- The 11<sup>th</sup> dimension is the hidden circle of  $M \rightarrow IIA$  reduction, size  $R = \frac{g_s^{2/3}}{l_{pl}}$ . The system carries longitudinal momentum  $P = N/R$  in this direction.
- The generic object in the theory is a black hole. Want to describe it as a metastable bound state of the D $p$ -branes : a D-star. The above limit freezes stringy excitations, leaving YM on the branes.
- Expect that generic (thermal) state of SYM describes a BH in  $D=11-p$  dimensions in the IMF ...

- Problem - typical BH has horizon size

$$r_0 \sim (G_D M)^{\frac{1}{D-3}} \gg R \quad (G_D = \frac{R_1 \cdots R_p}{\ell_{pl}^D}, \quad D=11-p)$$

and the entropy

$$S_{BH} \sim G_D^{-1} r_0^{D-2} \text{ can be } \gg S_{YM}(g, N, E, \vec{R}_i)$$

thus typically the BH

- does not fit in the longitudinal box of size  $R$
- has more available states than YM at a given energy

BFKS proposed a solution to these two problems :

- for sufficient boost, "Lorentz contraction" will "squeeze" the BH into size  $R$  or less ; one needs

$$R > \left(\frac{M}{P}\right) r_0 = \frac{S_{BH}}{P} = R \cdot \frac{S_{BH}}{N}$$

$\propto e^{-\alpha}$     $\alpha = \text{rapidity}$

ie  $N > S_{BH}$  "fits" the BH into the box

- thus, automatically have enough d.o.f.'s to describe the BH

## YM picture:

$$\begin{aligned} N \ll S_{BH} \\ (P \ll S/R) \end{aligned}$$



thermal gas of YM  
quanta = longitudinally  
wrapped membranes in  
matrix theory dictionary

$$\begin{aligned} N \gg S_{BH} \\ (P \gg S/R) \end{aligned}$$

$$T \gg \tilde{R}_i^{-1} \rightarrow$$

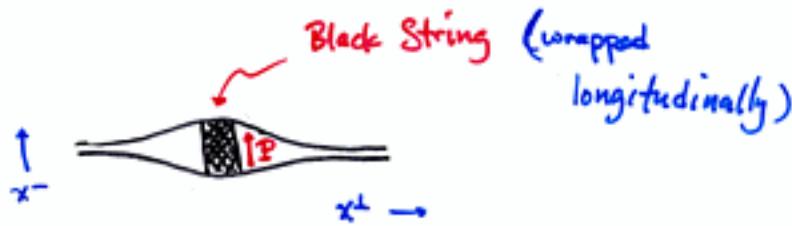
system frozen into QM  
of zero modes = D-particles  
pointlike longitudinally



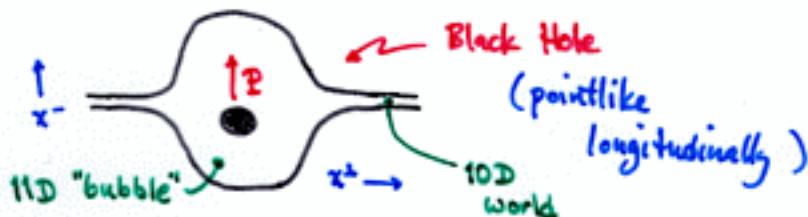
reason for transition: thermal wavelength grows larger  
than effective box size  $\Rightarrow$  system freezes into moduli space dynamics

## GR picture:

$$\begin{aligned} N \ll S_{BH} \\ \xrightarrow{PR} \end{aligned}$$



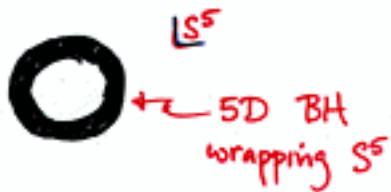
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reason for transition: for given mass black object,  
string has more entropy in fixed box size R for  $P \ll S/R$   
hole  $\xrightarrow{PR}$   $P \gg S/R$

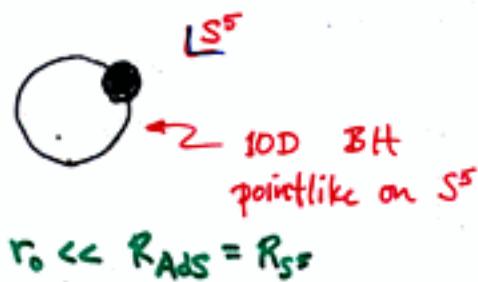
## Aside on AdS/CFT correspondence :

A similar transition occurs for  $\text{AdS}_5$ -Schwarzschild



$$r_0 \gg R_{\text{AdS}} = R_{S^5}$$

$$T_{YM} \sim T_H \gg R_{\text{AdS}}^{-1}$$



$$r_0 \ll R_{\text{AdS}} = R_{S^5}$$

YM interpretation: there exist long-lived, metastable states of strongly coupled 3+1d  $N=4$  SYM at large  $N$ , with

$$E \sim N^2 \frac{r_0^7}{R_{\text{AdS}}^8}$$

$$S \sim N^2 \left( \frac{r_0}{R_{\text{AdS}}} \right)^8$$

$$\text{lifetime} \sim N^2 \frac{r_0^9}{R_{\text{AdS}}^8}$$

$$l_s < r_0 < R_{\text{AdS}}$$

(get macroscopic strings  
for smaller energy)

these states spontaneously break the  $R$ -symmetry (localize on  $S^5$ )  
and are only present for strong coupling  $(g_s N)^{1/4} = \frac{R_{\text{AdS}}}{l_s} \gg 1$

## QM of SYM zero modes

Fix a superselection sector  $N$ . The ground state (at  $E_{\text{IMF}}=0$ ) is the graviton of momentum  $P = \frac{N}{R} = \text{threshold}$  bound state of  $N$  D-particles. One can roughly think of the  $e$ -values of the SYM matrices as position coords for the D-ptcls.

This state has a highly coherent wavefunction. Expect that if we perturb it by adding energy, some coherence is lost.

- Hypothesis #1: As system disorders w/increasing energy, it maintains coherence over clusters of D-ptcls of size  $k$   
( $k=N$  for threshold bound state  
 $k=1$  at hole/string transition  $N=S_{\text{BH}}$ )
- Hypothesis #2: Mean field theory of clusters approximates the dynamics of BH's with  $S_{\text{BH}} \leq PR = N$
- Hypothesis #3: Can use known (and expected) effective interactions of matrix theory at their limit of validity.

- Let  $\frac{N}{k} = \# \text{ clusters} \equiv S$  (we'll see that  $S = S_{\text{BH}}$ )
- Suppose cluster c.o.m. has wavefn. of spread  $|\delta \vec{x}| \sim r_0$
- Heisenberg  $\rightarrow |\delta \vec{p}| \sim 1/r_0$ , so

$$E_{\text{kin}} \sim (\# \text{ clusters}) \cdot \frac{\delta \vec{p}^2}{P} \sim S \cdot \frac{r_0^{-2}}{(N/SR)} \sim \left(\frac{S}{r_0}\right)^2 / \left(\frac{N}{R}\right)$$

- Simplest cluster interaction is via 1-loop matrix integral (ie static interaction of zero longitudinal momentum exchange)

$$V_{\text{int}}^{\text{1-loop}} \sim \left(\frac{N_1}{R} \vec{v}_1^2\right) \left(\frac{N_2}{R} \vec{v}_2^2\right) \frac{G_D}{R r_{12}^{D-4}}$$

Since clusters are comingled, need to include longitudinal momentum exchange (parton exchange between clusters)

- Hypothesis #3a: Interactions are approximately Lorentz covariant at sufficiently large  $N$ .

in rest frame

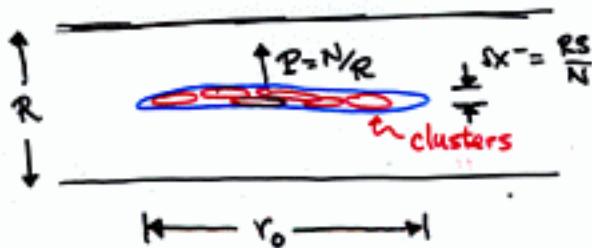
$$\int_0^{2\pi R} \frac{dx_{10}}{2\pi R} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\exp[-ipx_{10}]}{[(x_{10} + 2\pi R n)^2 + r^2]^{d/2}} = \frac{(2p/r)^{\frac{d-1}{2}}}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(d/2)} K_{\frac{d-1}{2}}(pr)$$

$$\sim \begin{cases} \frac{1}{R r^{d-1}} & pr \ll 1 \\ \exp[-pr] & pr \gg 1 \end{cases} \quad (\text{want } d-1=D-4)$$

$\therefore$  In the boosted frame, longitudinal momentum exchange interactions are same as  $V_{\text{int}}^{\text{1-loop}}$  up to scale of long. resolution  $\delta x^- \sim \frac{RS}{N}$

## YM picture:

(GR:



$$E_{\text{pot}} \sim G_D \sum_{R \leq r_p=0}^{N_S} \sum_{a,b=1}^S \frac{(\vec{P}/P_{cr})_a (\vec{P}/P_{cr})_b}{R r_{ab}^{D-4}}$$

$$\sim E_{\text{kin}} \cdot \frac{G_D S}{r_0^{D-2}}$$

Virial theorem  $E_{\text{pot}} \sim E_{\text{kin}} \Rightarrow$

$$S \sim G_D^{-1} r_0^{D-2}$$

Moreover,  $\frac{M^2}{P} = E_{\text{IMF}} \sim E_{\text{kin}} + E_{\text{pot}} \sim \left(\frac{S}{r_0}\right)^2 / P \Rightarrow M = \frac{S}{r_0}$

Punchline: IMF description of a black hole is a "star" composed of D-particles. Simple arguments reproduce the expected mass-entropy and entropy-area scalings.

## Comments :

- The interactions are a cartoon. In this regime, all loop interactions  $\frac{(N_c e v^2)^{k-1}}{r^{2(k-4)}}$  are of the same order. The loop expansion breaks down, since nonabelian d.o.f.'s are light & excited (the state has a significant membrane component). Nevertheless, expect mean field theory to predict the scale at which this takes place.  
(cf. also refined analysis Liu-Tseylin 9712063)
- In order to claim  $S = \# \text{clusters} = S_{\text{BH}}$ , need to treat clusters as distinguishable objects. This is implied by the previous remark - clusters interact with a diffuse background of nonabelian matrix modes which break any permutation symmetry of clusters (each cluster interacts with a different set of off-diagonal matrix elements)

## Charged Black Holes:

$$M \sim G_D^{-1} r_0^{D-3} ch^2 \gamma$$

$$Q \sim G_D^{-1} r_0^{D-3} sh \gamma ch \gamma .$$

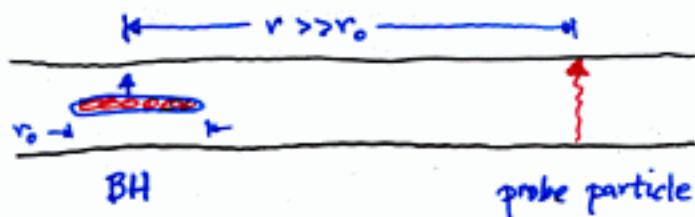
$$S \sim G_D^{-1} \underbrace{r_0^{D-2} ch \gamma}_{\text{Horizon area}}$$

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- One finds that Black String / Black Hole transition takes place at  $P = S ch \gamma / R$  (M. Li, EJM, H. Aoki)
- In YM, can introduce charge by giving D-particles net momentum along internal torus  $T^P$ . Virial estimate again reproduces scaling behavior \* given hypotheses 1-3a.
- In all cases,  $|\vec{s}_p|_{\text{noncompact}} \sim \frac{1}{r_0 ch \gamma} \sim T_H$  is virial temperature of clusters is the Hawking temperature. Characteristic temp of emitted quanta must be this scale - Hawking radiation is the "solar wind" of the D-star

## Probe dynamics



$$S_{\text{probe}} = P_{-}^{\text{probe}} \int d\tau \frac{1}{g_{--}} \left[ (g_{+-} + g_{-i} v^i) - (g_{+-} + g_{-i} v^i)^2 - g_{--} (g_{++} + g_{ij} v^i v^j + g_{ii} v^i) \right]^k$$

Expanding for large  $r$ , small  $v$ ; with  $g_{\mu\nu} \sim g_{\mu\nu} + g_{\mu\nu} (\frac{r_0}{r})^{d-3}$

$$S_{\text{probe}} \sim P_{-}^{\text{probe}} \int d\tau \left[ \frac{1}{2} v^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{r_0}{r} \right)^{d-3} (a_{++} + a_{ij} v^i v^j + a_{+i} v^i - (a_{+-} + a_{-i} v^i) v^2 + \frac{1}{2} a_{--} v^4) + \dots \right]$$

- Treat the source as a collection of clusters
- Allow both BH and probe to have charge ( $\vec{v} \neq 0$  in  $T^P$ )
- Use leading matrix theory interaction to estimate terms in  $S_{\text{probe}}$

$\Rightarrow$  qualitatively reproduce all terms in  $S_{\text{probe}}$   
to order  $v^4$

## D-Stars, Matrix Strings, & the Correspondence Principle

Further support for the model comes from the matrix string limit. Shrinking an  $S^1 \times T^P$  (eg  $R_p \ll R$ ) one finds

$$p+1 \text{ SYM on } \tilde{T}^P \longrightarrow 1+1 \text{ SYM on } \tilde{S}^1 \quad (\tilde{R}_p = \frac{\ell_{pl}^3}{R P_p} \gg \tilde{R}_i)$$

Dominant configurations are "Slinky®", a "string bit" description of the IMF superstring



At the "correspondence point"  $r_0 \sim l_{str} = \left(\frac{\ell_{pl}^3}{R_p}\right)^{1/2}$ , a transition occurs from BH's ( $r_0 > l_{str}$ ) to strings ( $r_0 < l_{str}$ ) as the entropically favored objects (Horowitz-Polchinski).

At  $r_0 \sim l_{str}$  the entropies match

$$S_{BH} \sim G_D^{-1} r_0^{D-2} \sim S_{str} \sim \sqrt{N_{osc}}$$

Now consider a BH which is simultaneously

a) at the correspondence point  $r_0 \sim l_{str}$

b) boosted to the black hole/black string transition  $N=S$  in a longitudinal box of size  $R$

The IMF matrix string has temperature

$$T_{\text{str}} = \sqrt{N_{\text{osc}}} / \left( \frac{N}{R} l_{\text{str}}^2 \right) \quad (**)$$

The correspondence principle asserts that this is the (boosted) Hawking temperature (since a macroscopic string decays by emitting quanta at the Hagedorn temperature  $T \sim \frac{1}{l_{\text{str}}} \sim \frac{1}{r_0} \sim T_H$ )

$$T_H \sim e^{-\alpha} \cdot \frac{1}{r_0} \sim \frac{R}{r_0^2}$$

Comparing,

$$\frac{\sqrt{N_{\text{osc}}}}{N} \sim \frac{l_{\text{str}}^2}{r_0^2} \sim 1$$

- Thus, each of the  $N$  "string bits" or D-particles carries one "bit of information". This is clear from  $(**)$  - the thermal wavelength is  $\lambda_T \sim \tilde{R}_p =$  one string bit ; a macroscopic string is a random walk of  $S$  steps of size  $\lambda_T$ .
- The "Boltzmann" character of the D-particle gas is manifest in the fact that the D-particles are labelled by their position on the matrix string - this is an example of the "nonabelian background", ie the set of  $\tilde{S^1}$  twisted B.C.'s that intertwines the string bits as one circles  $\tilde{S^1}$ .

- Further boosting to  $N \gg S_{BH}$  (but remaining at the correspondence point), the string temperature boosts down by a factor  $N/S_{BH}$ . The number of string bits contained in a thermal wavelength (coherence length) is  $k = N/S_{BH}$ ; these are the "clusters". Their virial temperature is indeed the (boosted) Hawking temperature.
- Charged BH's at the correspondence point match perfectly with the cluster ansatz; one finds that at the juncture of the correspondence point and the hole/string transition, the matrix string has  $N/S_{BH} \sim e^{h\chi}$  string bits in a thermal wavelength - exactly as predicted by the ansatz.

## Summary :

- Black holes are "stars" composed of D-particles, membranes, etc. They are "supported" against collapse by the uncertainty principle and by the fact that gravity ceases to be the complete IMF description of interactions within the BH.
- Characteristic size of BH is governed by available energy/momentum resolution -  $r_0$  in transverse direction,  $r_0$  "Lorentz contracted" to  $e^{-\alpha} r_0 = \frac{R_S}{N}$  longitudinally.
- Transverse density of cluster centers never exceeds the "holographic bound" of one per transverse Planck volume.



- Locality/nonlocality - individual D-particles have spread  $|\delta \vec{x}| \sim N^{1/4}$ , whereas black hole wavefunction has  $|\delta \vec{x}| \sim r_0$  independent of N. Any locality properties are a result of coherence of cluster wavefunction.

(same phenomenon occurs in : perturbative string theory  
: AdS/CFT)