Black Hole Entropy Functions and Attractor Equations

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Static Extremal Black Holes

Consider a theory of gravity coupled to several Abelian gauge fields $F_{\mu\nu}^{I}$ and neutral scalar fields ϕ in D = 4. General coordinate invariance, higher-derivative curvature terms.

Static extremal black hole solutions: near-horizon solution determined by a set of attractor equations. Both the attractor equations and the entropy follow from a variational principle based on an entropy function.

The entropy function can be derived from a reduced action evaluated in the near-horizon geometry. Sen, hep-th/0506177

In D = 4: near-horizon geometry is $AdS_2 \times S^2$. Take the background fields to respect these symmetries:

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

$$F_{rt}^{I} = e^{I} , \quad F_{\theta\varphi}^{I} = p^{I} \sin \theta$$

$$v_{1}, v_{2}, e^{I}, \phi = \text{constant}$$

Entropy Function and E & M Duality

Reduced Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{F}(e^{I}, p^{I}, v_{1}, v_{2}, \phi) = \int_{S^{2}} d\theta \, d\varphi \, \sqrt{|g|} \, L$$

Lagrangian does not transform as a function under electric-magnetic duality: see de Wit, hep-th/0103086

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\tilde{e}, \tilde{p}, \dots) \neq \mathcal{F}(e, p, \dots)$$

Combinations that transform as a function are

$$\mathcal{F} + \frac{1}{2} \left[q_I e^I + p^I f_I \right] \quad , \quad q_I e^I - p^I f_I$$
$$q_I = -\partial \mathcal{F} / \partial e^I \quad , \quad f_I = -\partial \mathcal{F} / \partial p^I$$

Combination that is independent of f_I ,

$$\mathcal{E}(q, p, v_1, v_2, \phi) = -q_I e^I - \mathcal{F}(e, p, v_1, v_2, \phi)$$

Legendre transform. Sen's entropy function.

Black Hole Potential

Extremizing \mathcal{E} with respect to v_1, v_2 and ϕ yields the attractor equations, whose solution determines the horizon values of v_1, v_2 and ϕ in terms of the charges (q_I, p^I) .

The value of \mathcal{E} at extremum is the macroscopic black hole entropy: $S_{\text{macro}} = \pi \mathcal{E}|_{\text{extr}} = S_{\text{macro}}(q, p)$ Sen, hep-th/0506177 Wold's entropy (reduces to Pak Howk area low in the shapped of

Wald's entropy (reduces to Bek-Hawk area law in the absence of higher-derivative terms).

Two-derivative level: $L = -\frac{i}{4} \left(\mathcal{N}_{IJ} F_{\mu\nu}^{+I} F^{+\mu\nu J} - \bar{\mathcal{N}}_{IJ} F_{\mu\nu}^{-I} F^{-\mu\nu J} \right)$ $F_{\mu\nu}^{\pm I}$ (anti)selfdual field strength. $\mathcal{N}_{IJ} = \mathcal{N}_{IJ}(\phi)$

Reduced Lagrangian \mathcal{F} at most quadratic in e^{I} and $p^{I} \implies$

$$\mathcal{E} \propto (q_I - \mathcal{N}_{IL} p^L) \left[(\operatorname{Im} \mathcal{N})^{-1} \right]^{IJ} (q_J - \bar{\mathcal{N}}_{JK} p^K)$$

Indeed compatible with E & M duality, and equals the black hole potential of Ferrara + Gibbons + Kallosh, hep-th/9702103

Application to ${\cal N}=2$ Supergravity Theories

Calabi-Yau compactifications of type II string theory: effective Wilsonian Lagrangian contains $F_{\mu\nu}^{I}$ as well as higher-curvature interactions \propto Weyl². Couplings encoded in holomorphic homogeneous function $F(Y, \Upsilon)$. Complex scalar fields Y^{I} . $\Upsilon \propto T_{\mu\nu}^{2}$ resides in Weyl multiplet. Compute the entropy function for this class of theories.

Sahoo + Sen, hep-th/0603149

Result can be recast in the following way:

C + de Wit + Mahapatra, to appear

define

$$F_{I} = \partial F(Y, \Upsilon) / \partial Y^{I} , \quad F_{\Upsilon} = \partial F(Y, \Upsilon) / \partial \Upsilon , \quad N_{IJ} = i \left(\bar{F}_{IJ} - F_{IJ} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{P}^{I} = p^{I} + i \left(Y^{I} - \bar{Y}^{I} \right) , \quad \mathcal{Q}_{I} = q_{I} + i \left(F_{I} - \bar{F}_{I} \right)$$

$$U = v_{1} / v_{2}$$

Application to N=2 Supergravity Theories

Entropy function can be written as

$$\mathcal{E} = U \left[\Sigma + \left(\mathcal{Q}_I - F_{IJ} \mathcal{P}^J \right) N^{IK} \left(\mathcal{Q}_K - \bar{F}_{KL} \mathcal{P}^L \right) \right] + \frac{8i}{\sqrt{-\Upsilon}} \left(1 - U \right) \left(\bar{Y}^I F_I - Y^I \bar{F}_I \right) - i (F_{\Upsilon} - \bar{F}_{\Upsilon}) \left[64 \left(U + U^{-1} - 2 \right) - 4 U \Upsilon - 16 \left(1 + U \right) \sqrt{-\Upsilon} \right]$$

where

$$\Sigma = -i\left(\bar{Y}^I F_I - Y^I \bar{F}_I\right) - 2i(\Upsilon F_{\Upsilon} - \bar{\Upsilon} \bar{F}_{\Upsilon}) + p^I(F_I + \bar{F}_I) - q_I(Y^I + \bar{Y}^I)$$

Attractor equations: $\partial_U \mathcal{E} = 0$, $\partial_{\Upsilon} \mathcal{E} = 0$, $\partial_{Y^I} \mathcal{E} = 0$

$$\implies \quad U = U(q, p) , \ \Upsilon = \Upsilon(q, p) , \ Y^I = Y^I(q, p)$$

Non-BPS solutions: complicated equations

BPS solutions: $\mathcal{P}^I = \mathcal{Q}_I = 0$, $U = v_1/v_2 = 1$, $\Upsilon = -64$

 \Rightarrow Entropy function becomes $\mathcal{E} = \Sigma$

Entropy Function for BPS Black Holes

BPS entropy function $\mathcal{E} = \Sigma$ can be used to define a duality invariant version of the OSV integral for BPS black holes

C + de Wit + Käppeli + Mohaupt, hep-th/0601109

$$d(q,p) = \int d(Y + \bar{Y})^{I} d(F_{I} + \bar{F}_{I}) e^{\pi \Sigma(Y,\bar{Y},q,p)}$$

$$\propto \int dY d\bar{Y} \Delta(Y,\bar{Y}) e^{\pi \Sigma(Y,\bar{Y},q,p)}$$

where $\Delta = \det N_{IJ} = \det [\operatorname{Im} F_{IJ}]$. Measure factor.

Assuming N_{IJ} non-degenerate (i.e. large black holes),

$$d(q,p) \approx \mathrm{e}^{\pi \, \Sigma|_{\mathrm{extr}}} = \mathrm{e}^{\mathcal{S}_{\mathrm{macro}}(q,p)}$$

in saddle-point approximation.

Attractor Equations: Two-derivative Level

Without R^2 -terms, entropy function is given by

$$\mathcal{E} = U \left[\Sigma + \left(\mathcal{Q}_I - F_{IJ} \mathcal{P}^J \right) N^{IK} \left(\mathcal{Q}_K - \bar{F}_{KL} \mathcal{P}^L \right) \right] \\ + \frac{8i}{\sqrt{-\Upsilon}} \left(1 - U \right) \left(\bar{Y}^I F_I - Y^I \bar{F}_I \right)$$

Extremizing \mathcal{E} yields with respect to Υ , U and Y^{I} yields

$$U = 1 \quad , \quad \sqrt{-\Upsilon} = 8 \left(1 + \frac{\left(\mathcal{Q}_{I} - F_{IJ} \mathcal{P}^{J}\right) N^{IK} \left(\mathcal{Q}_{K} - \bar{F}_{KL} \mathcal{P}^{L}\right)}{\Sigma} \right)^{-1}$$
$$-2 \left(\mathcal{Q}_{J} - F_{JK} \mathcal{P}^{K}\right) - F_{IMJ} \mathcal{P}^{M} N^{IK} \left(\mathcal{Q}_{K} - \bar{F}_{KL} \mathcal{P}^{L}\right)$$
$$+i \left(\mathcal{Q}_{I} - F_{IM} \mathcal{P}^{M}\right) N^{IR} F_{RSJ} N^{SK} \left(\mathcal{Q}_{K} - \bar{F}_{KL} \mathcal{P}^{L}\right) = 0$$

for any extremal black hole solution. The entropy is given by

$$S_{\text{macro}} = \pi \mathcal{E}|_{\text{extr}} = 8\pi \frac{\Sigma}{\sqrt{-\Upsilon}}|_{\text{extr}}$$

Extremal Black Holes in D = 5

with Jan Perz and Johannes Oberreuter

BPS black holes in D = 4 are connected to five-dimensional BPS black holes in Taub-NUT spaces, with NUT charge $p^0 = 1$ Gaiotto + Strominger + Yin, hep-th/0503217

Connection based on cubic prepotentials $F(Y) = D_{ABC}Y^AY^BY^C/Y^0$ and the KK dictionary relating $z^A = Y^A/Y^0 \leftrightarrow \hat{X}^A$ in D = 4 and D = 5.

Expect this connection to also hold for non-BPS extremal black holes:

● define entropy function in D = 5 (real special geometry) in terms of entropy function in D = 4 (special geometry): C₅ = C₄
 For example: charges (p⁰ = 1, q_A ≠ 0), schematically

$$\mathcal{E}_5 = q_A \, G^{AB}(\hat{X}) \, q_B + D_{ABC} \hat{X}^A \, \hat{X}^B \, \hat{X}^C$$

Extremal Black Holes in D = 5

- Chern-Simons terms in D = 5
- four-dimensional attractor equations for $(Y^0, Y^A) \implies$ five-dimensional attractor equations for \hat{X}^A

Thanks!