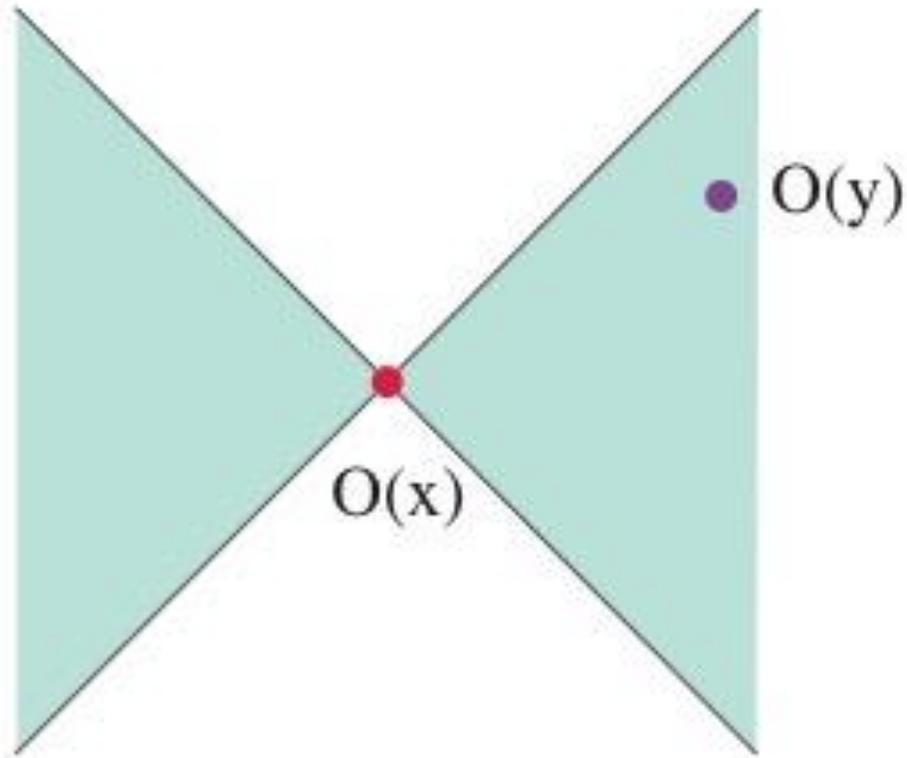


# Quantum Information in Gravity

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# Quantum Field Theory

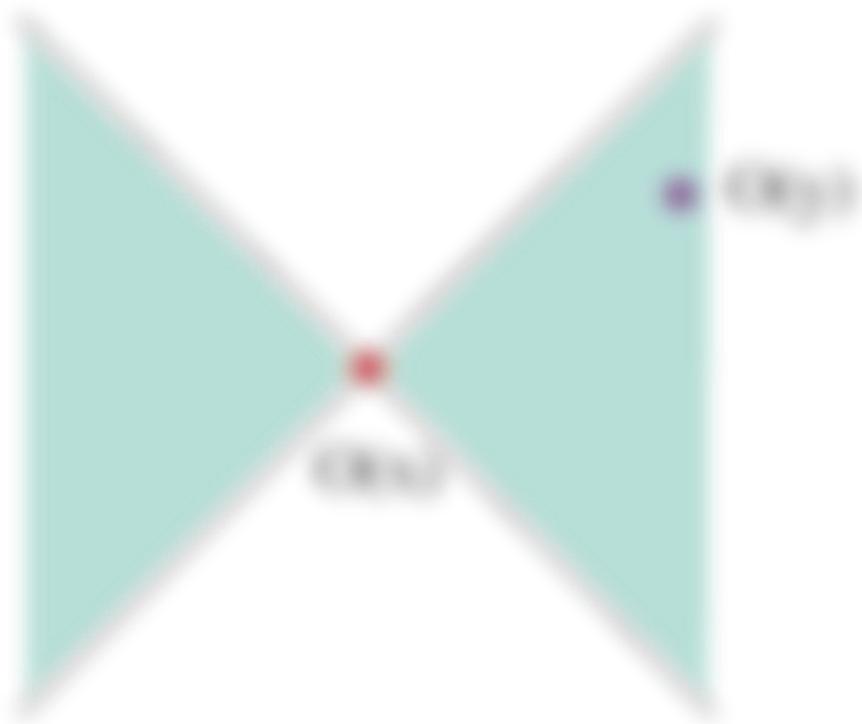


Fixed spacetime manifold

Microcausality: spacelike separated operators commute (events that cannot communicate should not affect each other):

$$[O_1(x), O_2(y)] = 0 \quad \forall d(x, y) > 0$$

# Gravity

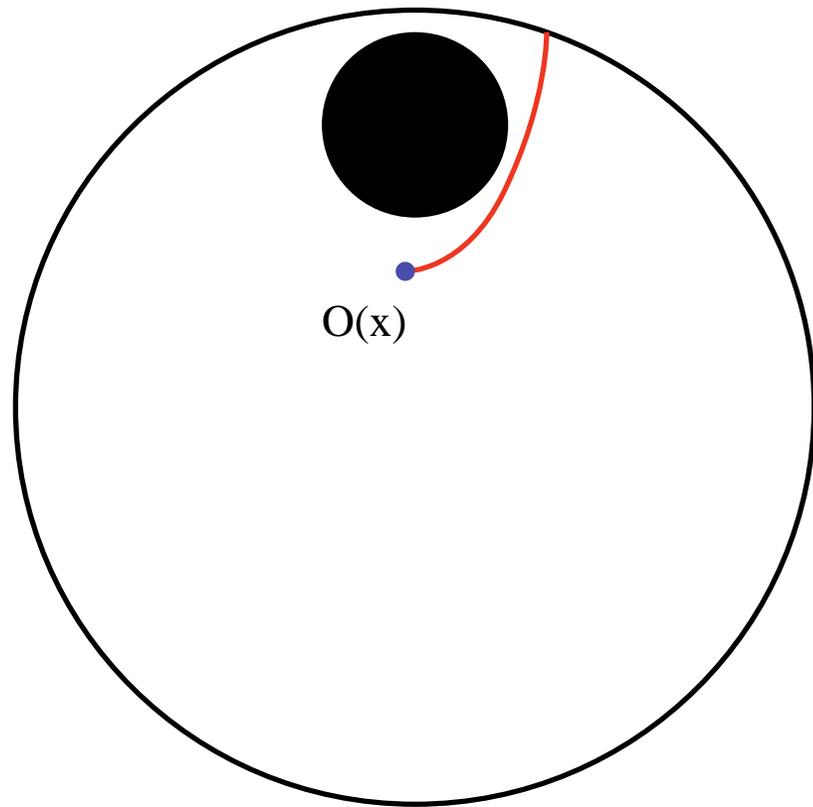
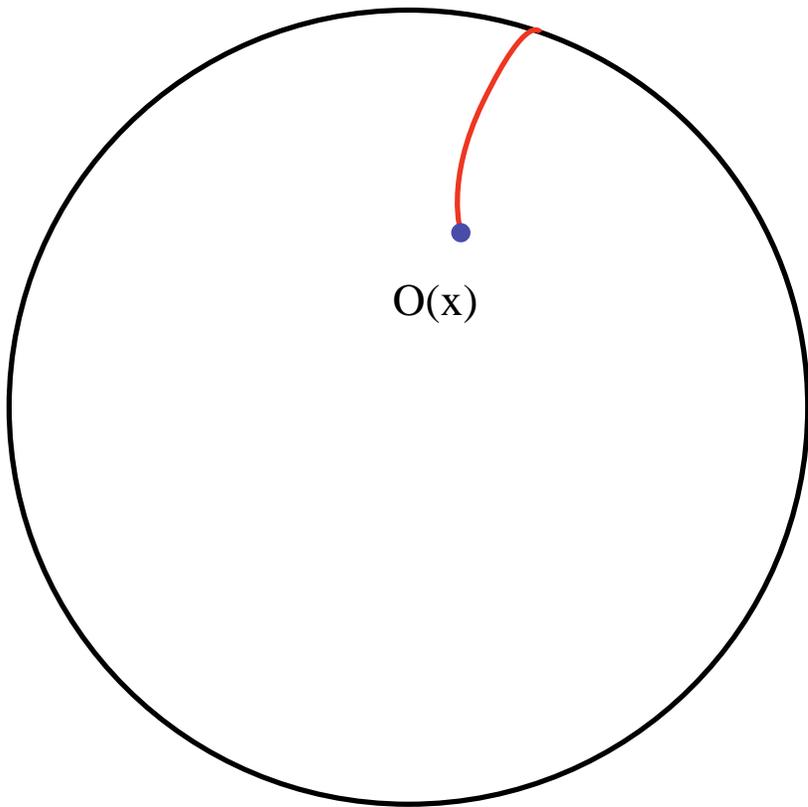


Spacetime is dynamical

The naively defined local operator  $O(x)$  is not gauge invariant (this means there are many different mathematical descriptions of the same physical object)

Gravity is inherently nonlocal

# Gravity



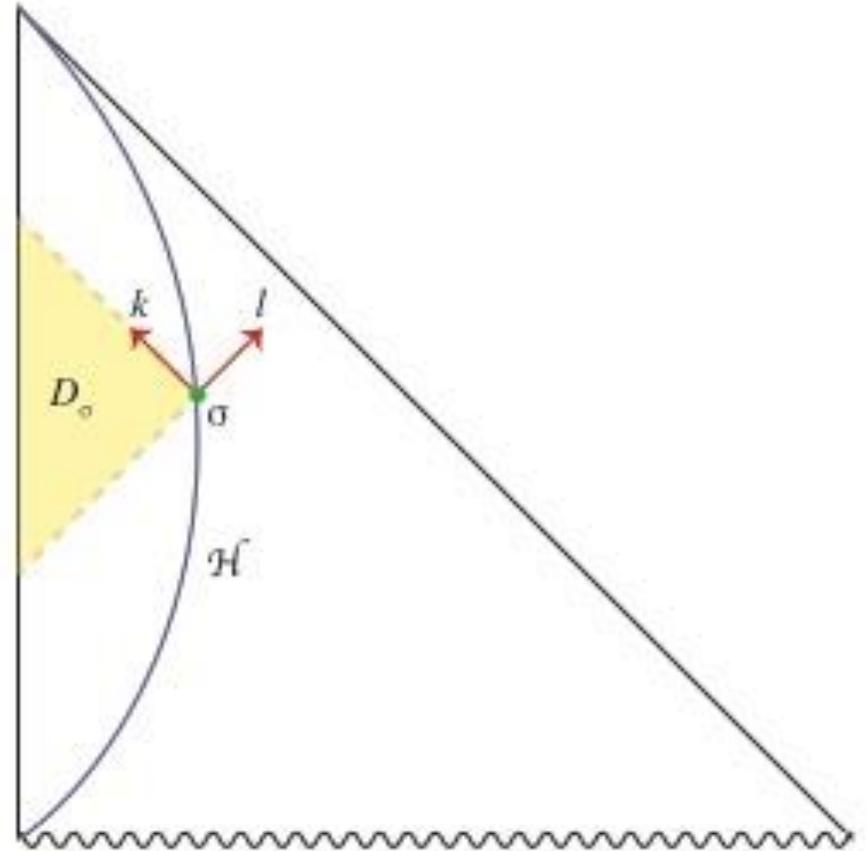
# Holography

Nonlocality naively goes beyond defining operators that are gauge invariant

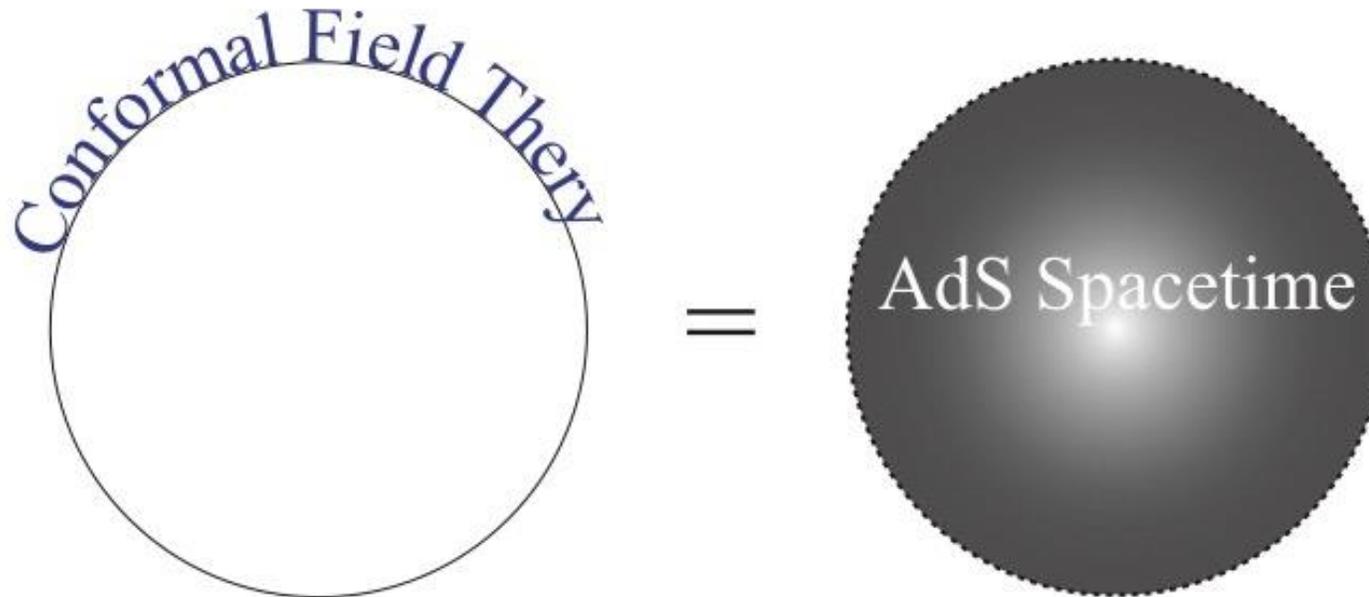
Black holes entropy scales by its area,

$$S_{BH} = \frac{A}{4}$$

Gravitational degrees of freedom are better thought of as living on one dimension lower than the spacetime they describe.



# AdS/CFT



20 years of research

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still no complete dictionary between the two theories, i.e. operator mapping

# 'Reconstructing' operators

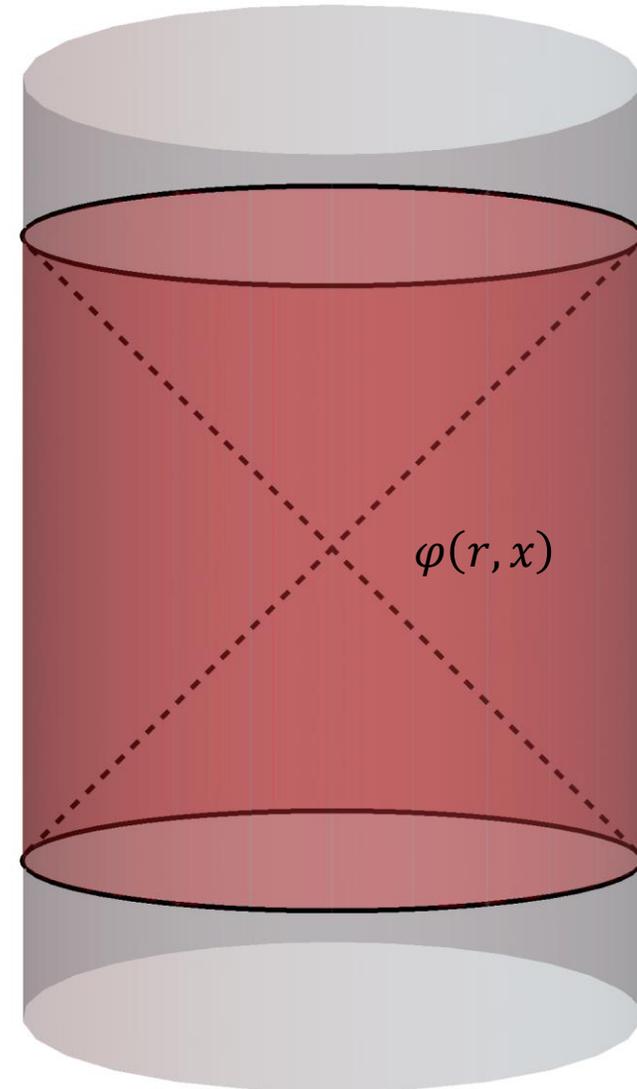
Extrapolate dictionary

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^\Delta \varphi(x) = O(x)$$

Global reconstruction

$$\varphi(r, x) = \int_{\partial M} K(r, x; x') O(x') dx'$$

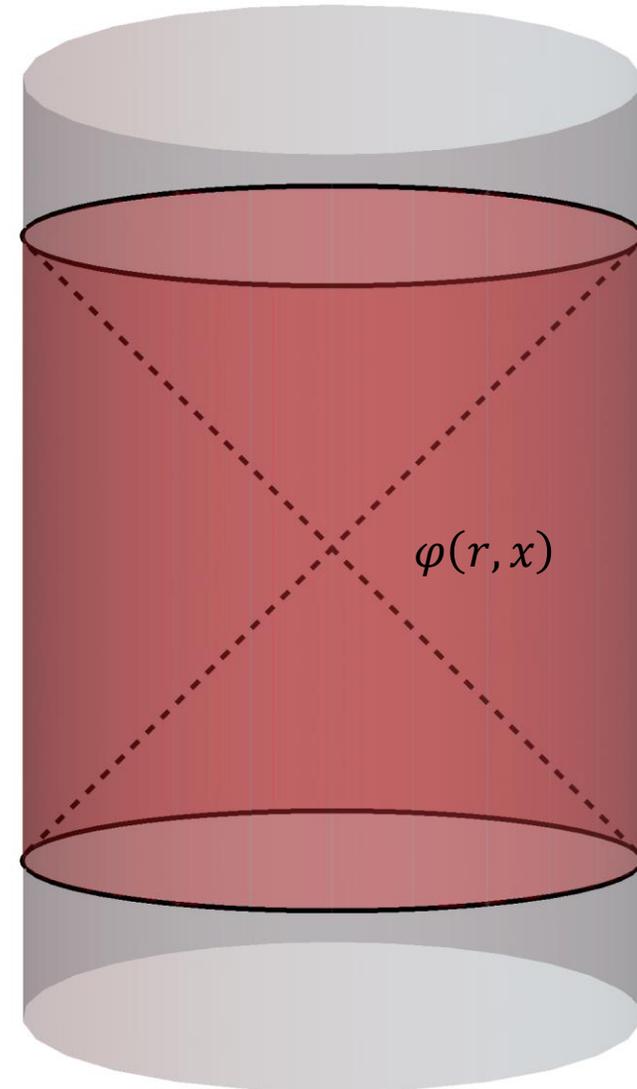
$\partial M$  integral taken over the spacelike portion



# 'Reconstructing' operators

Without equations:

- We know how to translate between the bulk and the boundary if the operator is very close to the boundary
- With a lot of effort we can rewrite a bulk operator at a bulk point as a complicated **superposition of operators spread throughout the entire boundary.**

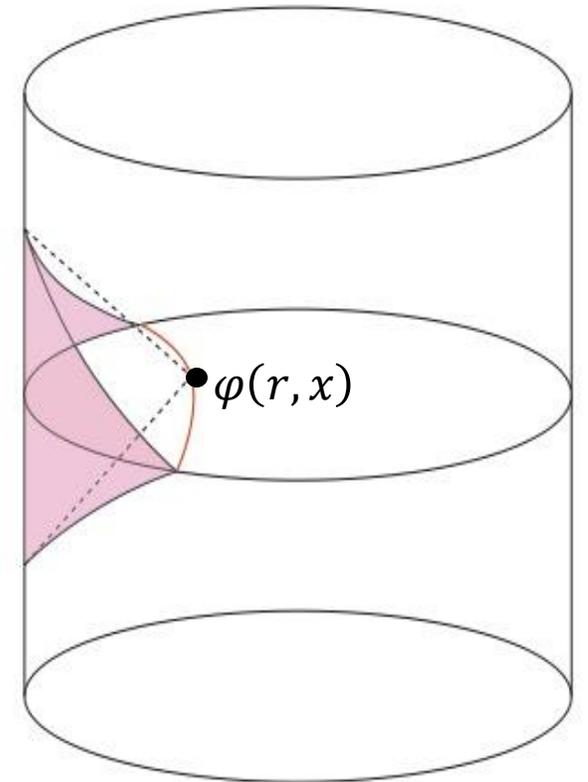


# 'Reconstructing' operators

HKLL – Rindler reconstruction – for  $\phi \in \text{CW}(R)$

$$\phi(r, x) = \int_{D[R]} K(r, x; x') O(x') dx'$$

$D[R]$  is the domain of dependence of subregion  $R$  and  $\phi(r, x)$  should be inside the causal wedge  
 $\phi(r, x) \in \text{CW}[R] = J^+[D[R]] \cap J^-[D[R]]$

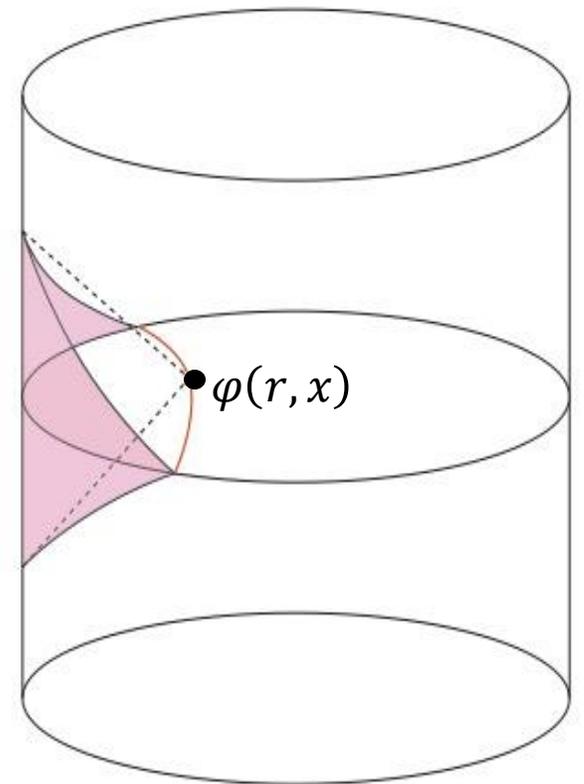


# 'Reconstructing' operators

It turns out that writing bulk operators as an integral over the entire boundary is slightly too verbose.

HKLL discovered that there is a **much more efficient** way to express a bulk object in terms of boundary quantities.

To achieve this, we use the notion of **causality** (use boundary objects located at regions that can reach the bulk point we are interested in).



# 'Reconstruction'

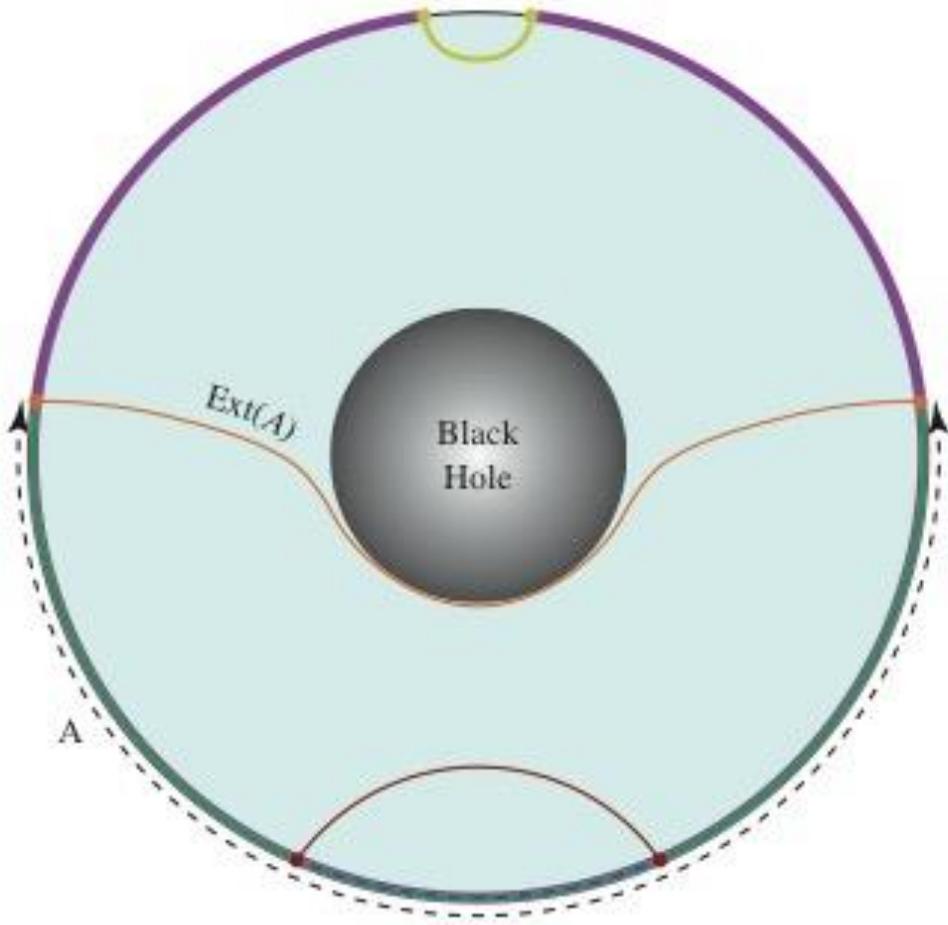
$$\phi(r, x) = \int_{D[R]} K(r, x; x') O(x') dx'$$

requires prior knowledge of bulk metric

$$K^g(r, x; x')$$

- This means we can only go through this procedure if **we assume we already knew the spacetime geometry**.
- This is problematic since **we do not know how to obtain the bulk metric** from boundary information

# Holographic entanglement



$$S_{ent} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\text{Tr} [\rho_A \log \rho_A] = \frac{\|\text{ext}(A)\|}{4l_p^2}$$

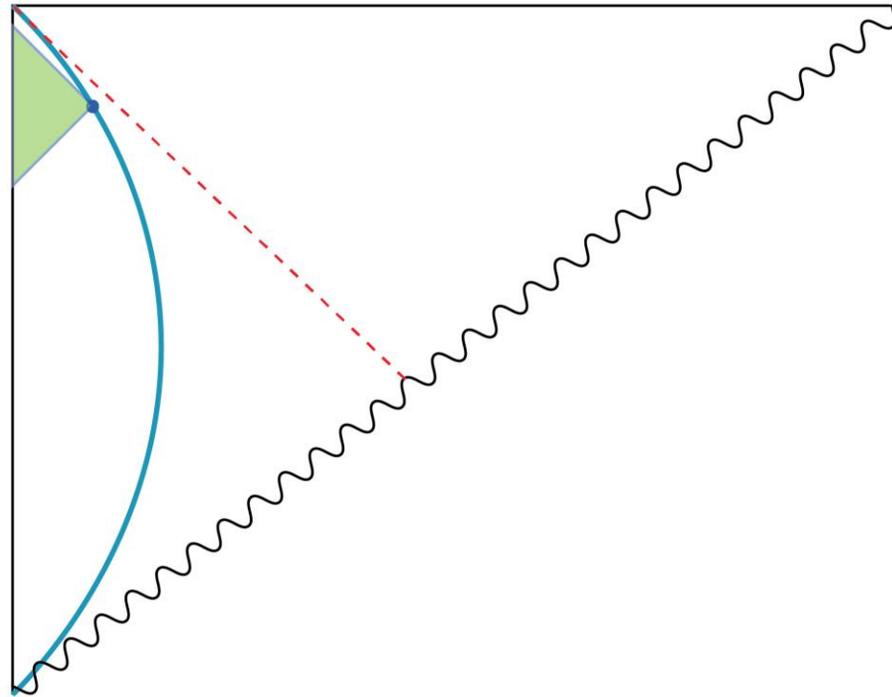
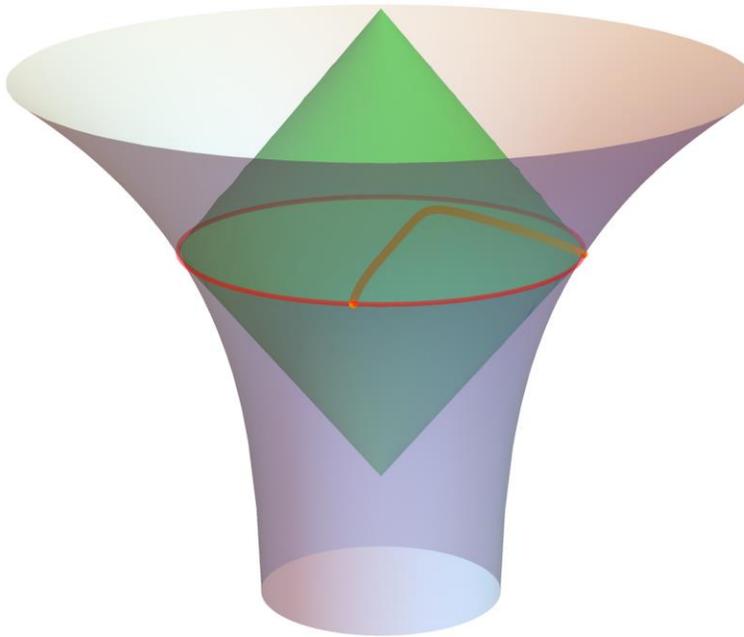
von Neumann entropy of a boundary subregion is equal, to first order, to the area of the codimension 2 stationary surface anchored with

$$\partial A = \partial \text{ext}(A)$$

[Hubeny, Rangamani, Ryu, Takayanagi]

➤ **Relationship between entanglement and geometry!**

# Beyond AdS



The holographic entanglement proposal can be extended to spacetimes that are not asymptotically AdS [FS, S. Weinberg]

Hilbert space properties of such theories [Y. Nomura, N. Salzetta, FS, S. Weinberg]

# A puzzle with reconstruction

The possible reconstruction of  $\phi$  are operators in the algebras of

$$A \cup B, \quad A \cup C, \quad B \cup C$$

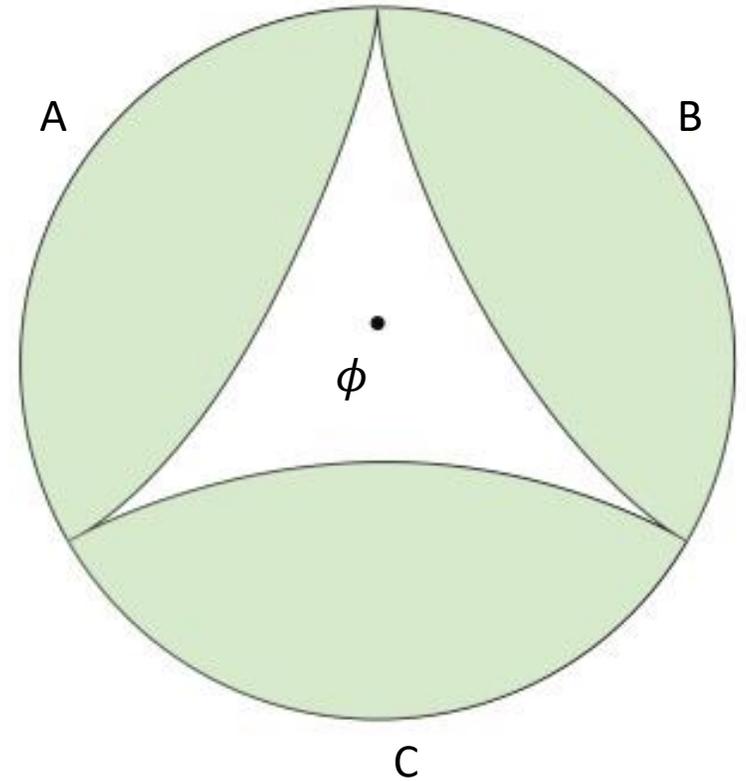
then,

$$[\phi_{AB}, O_C] = 0$$

$$[\phi_{AC}, O_B] = 0$$

$$[\phi_{BC}, O_A] = 0$$

Does this mean  $\phi = \mathbb{I}$  ?



# Quantum error correction

$$\begin{aligned}|\tilde{0}\rangle &= |000\rangle + |111\rangle + |222\rangle \\|\tilde{1}\rangle &= |012\rangle + |120\rangle + |201\rangle \\|\tilde{2}\rangle &= |021\rangle + |102\rangle + |210\rangle\end{aligned}$$

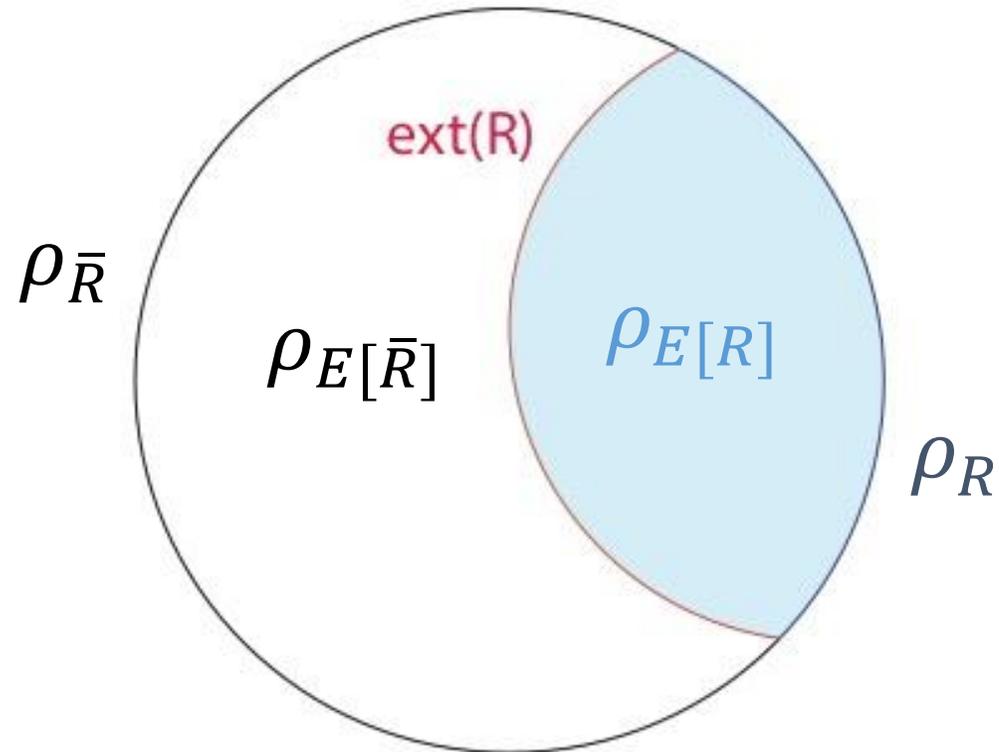
3 dimensional **code subspace**  $G$  out of a 27 dimensional hilbert space.

The action of any operator on stated in the code subspace can be achieved by an operator on any 2 qutrits.

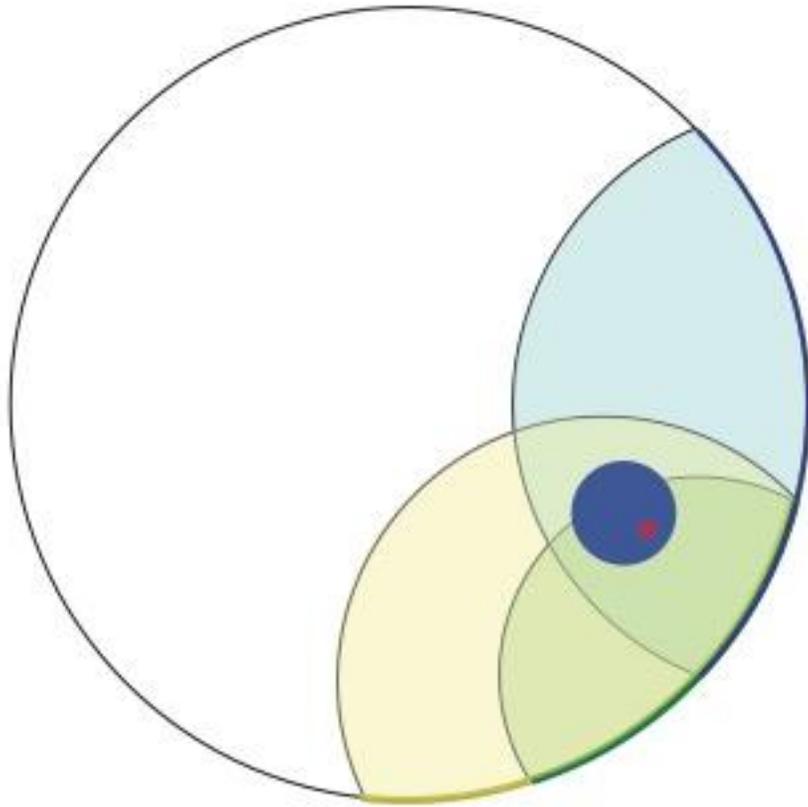
# True reconstruction

**Any bulk operator with support in the entanglement wedge  $E[R]$  can be reconstructed with operators in the algebra of the region  $R$ .**

[Almheiri, Dong, Harlow, Wall]

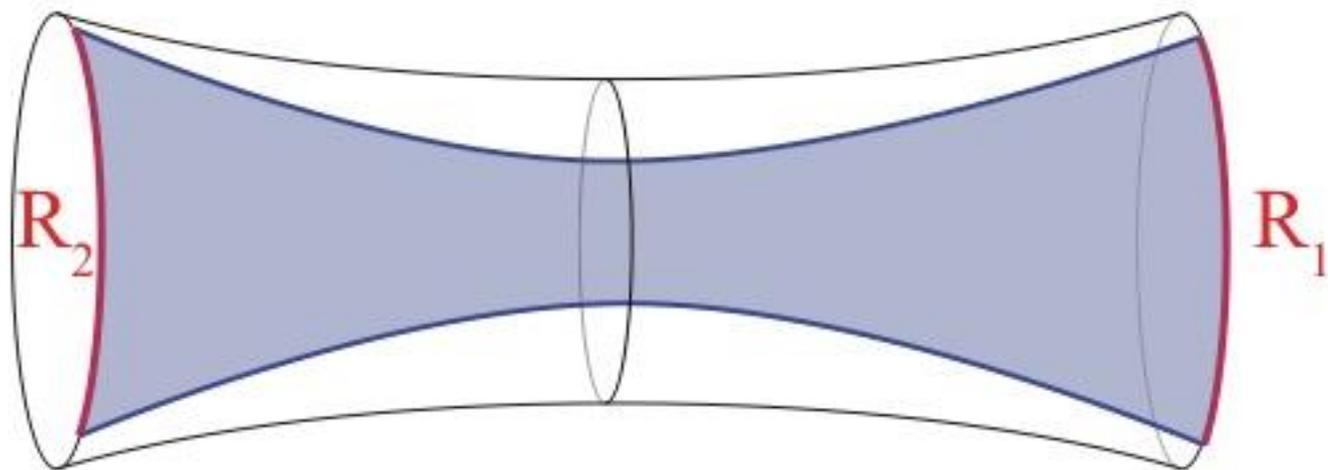
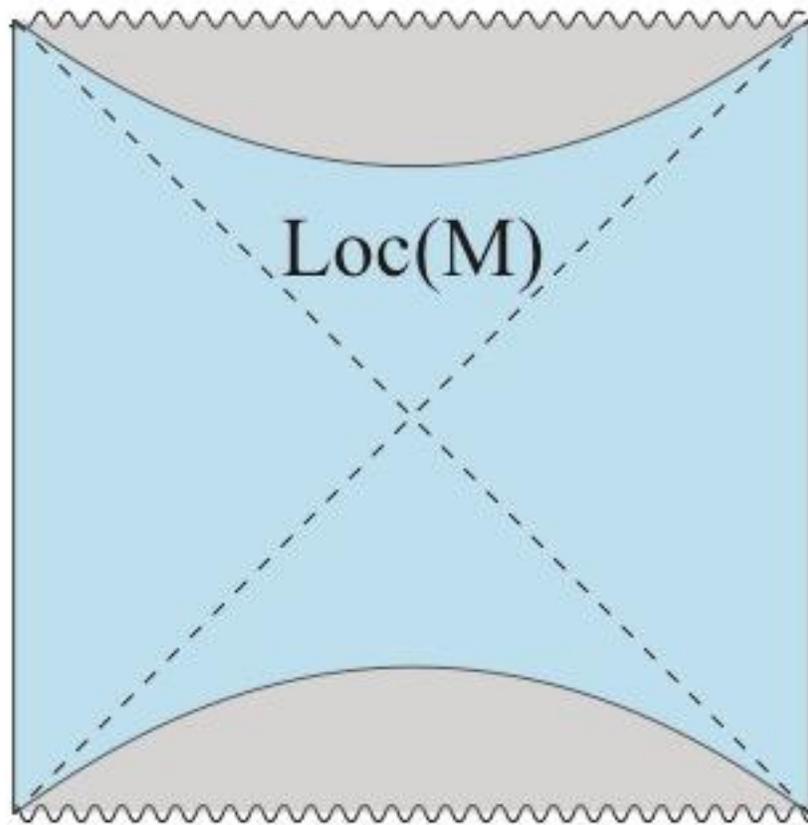


# Identifying local operators from the CFT



The quantum error correcting view can be used to identify local operators from the CFT without prior knowledge of the bulk [FS, S. Weinberg]

# True reconstruction of bulk manifold



# Emergence of locality

- Gravity is holographic
- Locality in the quantum field theory emerges when gravity is weak

**What is the fundamental mechanism that is responsible for the emergence of the bulk?**

**At the same time, how does approximate locality work if the boundary description is highly nonlocal?**

**Quantum error correction/redundancy in the bulk to boundary map** is critical to holography and suggestive of a relationship to how **locality** emerges in gravity [FS, S. Weinberg]