



On the many uses of Squashed S^3

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and *N. Bobev, P. Bueno, YV: Arxiv:1612.xxxxx*



What is Squashed S^3 ?

Study of field theories on:

$$ds_{sq}^2 S^3 = \frac{r_0}{4} \left((\sigma_1)^2 + \frac{1}{1+\beta} (\sigma_2)^2 + \frac{1}{1+\alpha} (\sigma_3)^2 \right)$$

with

$$\sigma_1 = -\sin \psi d\theta + \cos \psi \sin \theta d\phi ,$$

$$\sigma_2 = \cos \psi d\theta + \sin \psi \sin \theta d\phi ,$$

$$\sigma_3 = d\psi + \cos \theta d\phi .$$

Different special cases

$$\alpha = \beta = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad S^3$$

$$\alpha = \beta \neq 0 \text{ or } \alpha = 0, \beta \neq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{single squashed } S^3$$

$$\alpha \neq \beta \neq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{double squashed } S^3$$

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Gravitational homogeneous theories (in AdS) with metric

$$ds^2 = dr^2 + l_1(r)(\sigma_1)^2 + l_2(r)(\sigma_2)^2 + l_3(r)(\sigma_3)^2 .$$

$l_1(r) = l_2(r) = l_3(r) \Rightarrow$ Homogeneous, isotropic spaces

$l_1(r) \neq l_2(r) = l_3(r) \Rightarrow$ AdS Taub-NUT/Bolt

$l_1(r) \neq l_2(r) \neq l_3(r) \Rightarrow$ Mixmaster universe

At large r the boundary will be squashed S^3 (holography!)

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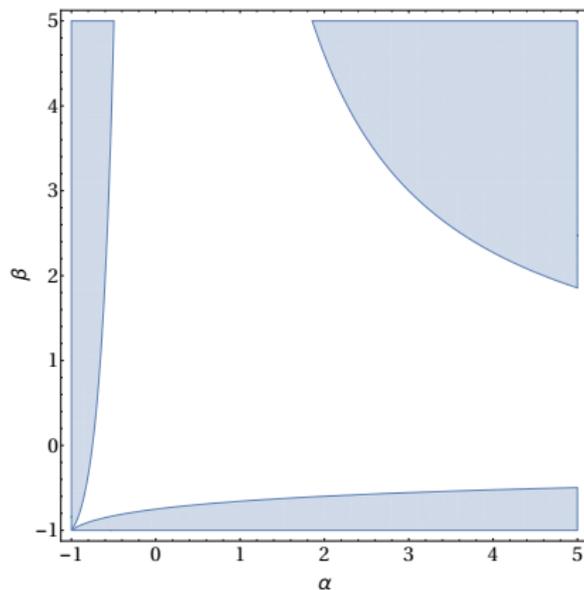
Gravity solutions that asymptote to squashed S^3 : ²

- New GR solutions
- AdS/CFT
- dS/CFT

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$$R = \frac{6 + 8\alpha + 8\beta + 2\alpha\beta(6 - \alpha\beta)}{(1 + \alpha)(1 + \beta)}$$



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Free fields on squashed S^3

N Scalars (Free $O(N)$ vector model):

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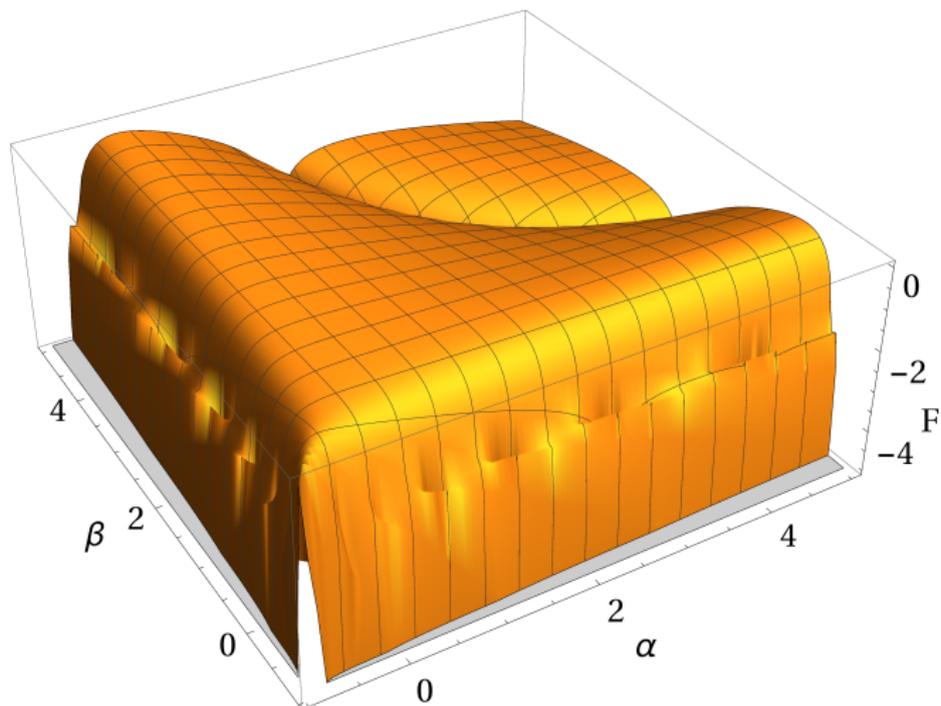
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How to calculate this?

- Find eigenvalues of \mathcal{D} (1 squashing vs 2 squashings)
- Numerical renormalization

Double Squashed Free $O(N)$ model

Universal behaviour of CFTs?

Consider CFTs on backgrounds with general metric perturbations ($d=\text{odd}$)

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu} + \epsilon h_{\mu\nu}$$

In general (for general backgrounds with deformations) then

$$\mathcal{F}(\epsilon) = -\log Z = \mathcal{F}(0) + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \mathcal{F}''(0) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)$$

where $\mathcal{F}''(0) \propto C_T$

C_T = central charge controlling two-point stress-tensor (theory dependent)

\Rightarrow Similar to entanglement entropy on deformed backgrounds!

$$s(\epsilon) = s(0) - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} s''(0) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3),$$

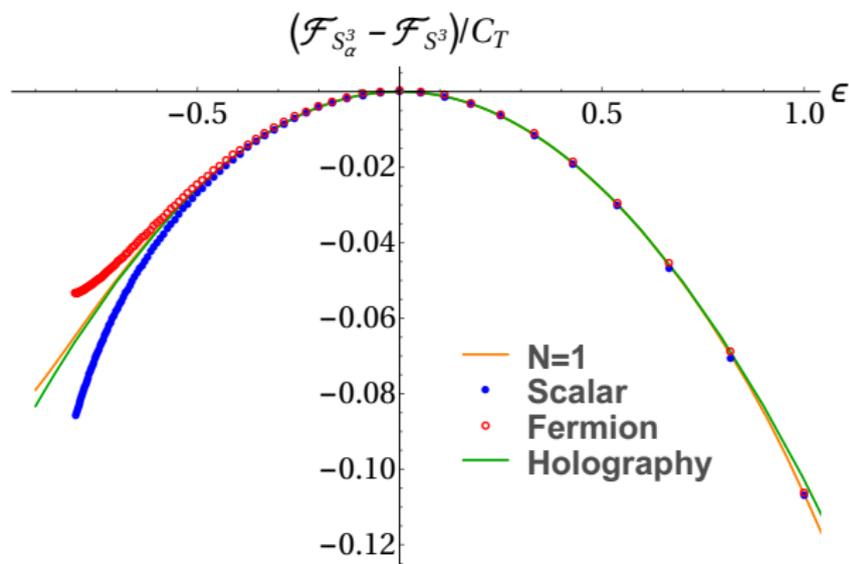
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Do some ugly calculations...

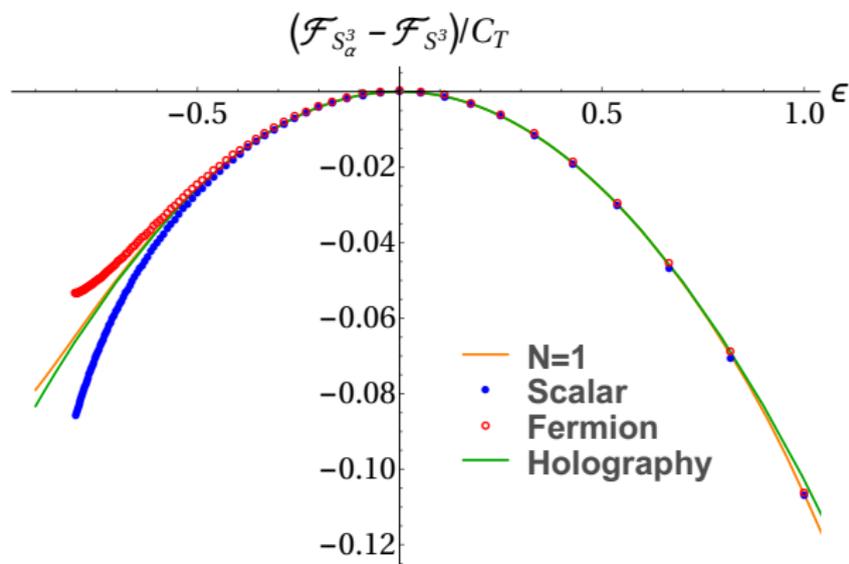
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Unreasonable effectiveness!

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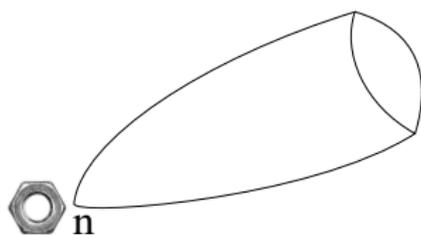
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Taub-NUT/Bolt solutions

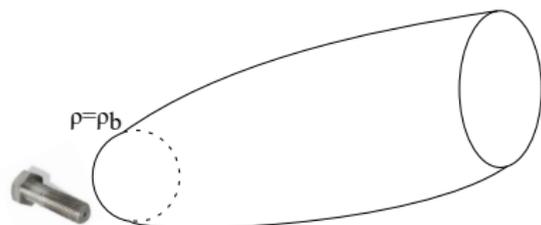
$$ds^2 = 4n^2 V(\rho)(\sigma_3)^2 + \frac{d\rho^2}{V(\rho)} + (\rho^2 - n^2)(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2),$$

$$V \equiv \frac{(\rho^2 + n^2) - 2m\rho + l^{-2}(\rho^4 - 6n^2\rho^2 - 3n^4)}{\rho^2 - n^2}$$

NUT: Around $\rho = n \Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$



Bolt: Around $\rho = \rho_b \Rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \times S^2$



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There are two different types of bolt solutions

Double squashed Taub-NUT solutions

Ansatz: $dr^2 + l_1(r)(\sigma_1)^2 + l_2(r)(\sigma_2)^2 + l_3(r)(\sigma_3)^2$

$$l_1(r) = \frac{1}{4}(r - r^*)^2 + \beta_4(r - r^*)^4 + \mathcal{O}((r - r^*)^6) ,$$

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Plug this into the Einstein equations and numerically integrate to the UV:

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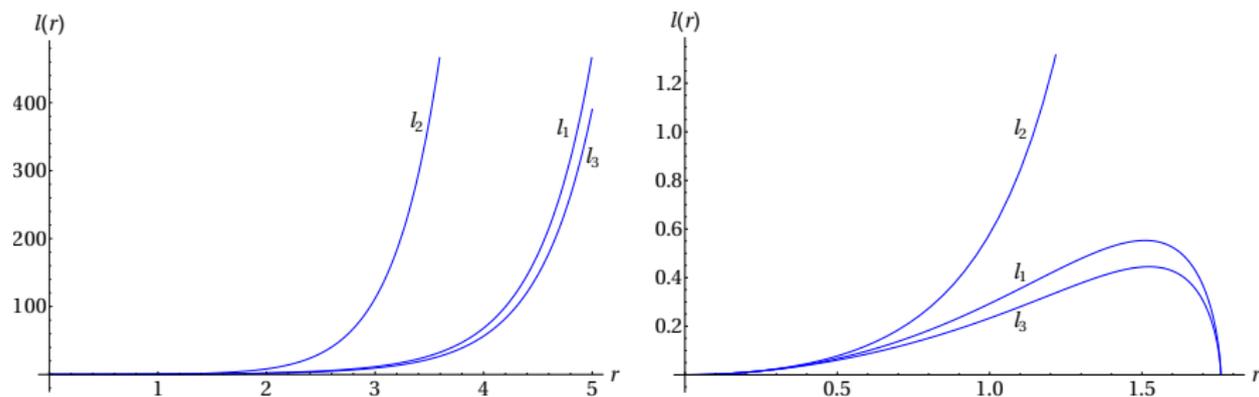


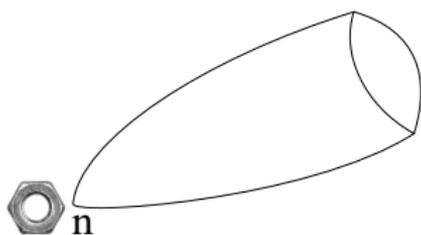
Figure: Left: a solution with $\beta_4 = 1/12$ and $\gamma_4 = 1/6$ Right: a solution with $\beta_4 = 1/12$ and $\gamma_4 = 3/14$.

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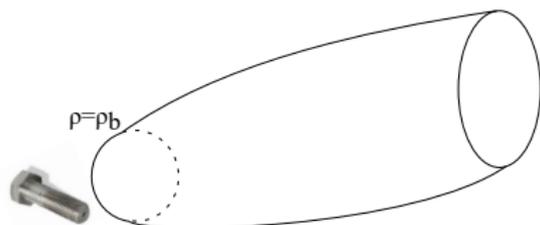
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Again numerical integrate Einstein equations to the UV

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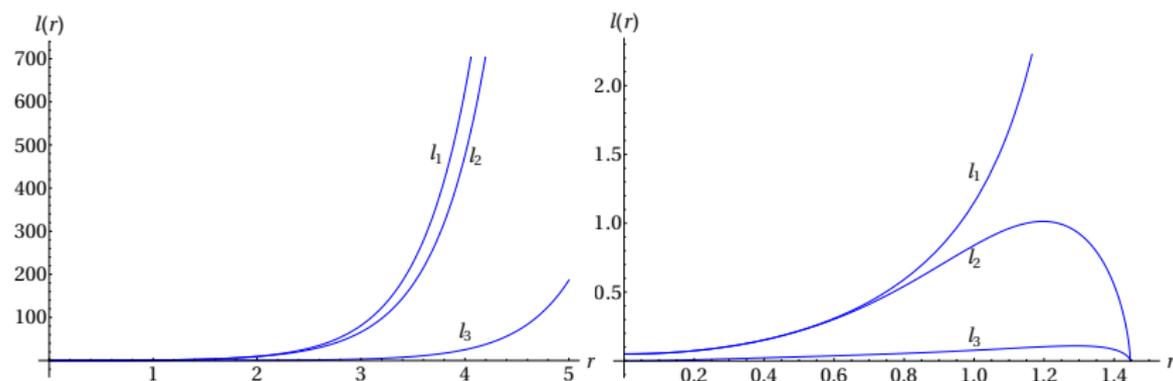
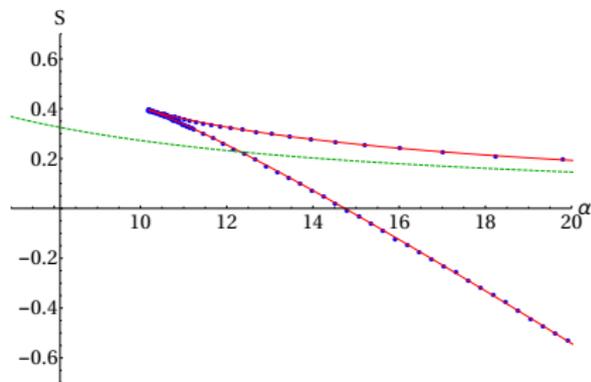
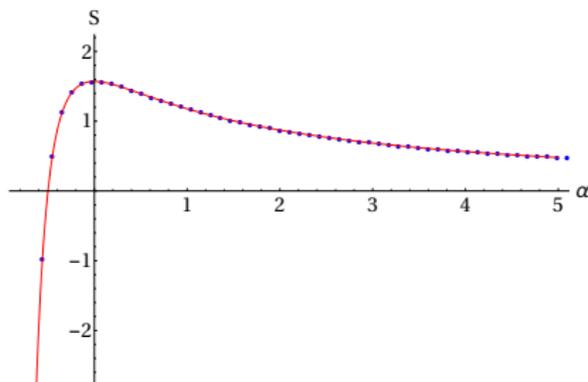


Figure: Left: a solution with $\gamma_0 = 1/20$ and $\gamma_4 = 0.382281$. Right: a solution with $\gamma_0 = 1/20$ and $\gamma_4 = 0.380208$.

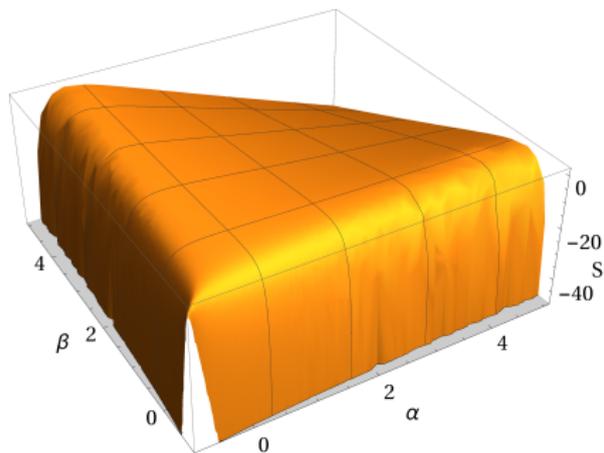
Single Squashed Taub-NUT/Bolt Thermodynamics

$$S = -\frac{1}{16\pi G} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^4x \sqrt{g} (R - 2\Lambda) - \frac{1}{8\pi G} \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} d^3\sqrt{h} K + S_{ct} ,$$

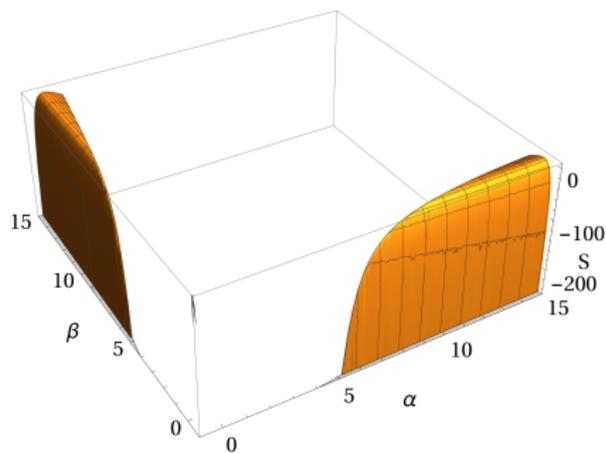


Notice: Phase transition from NUT to Bolt

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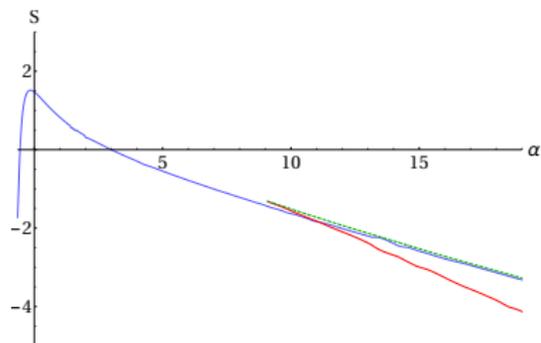
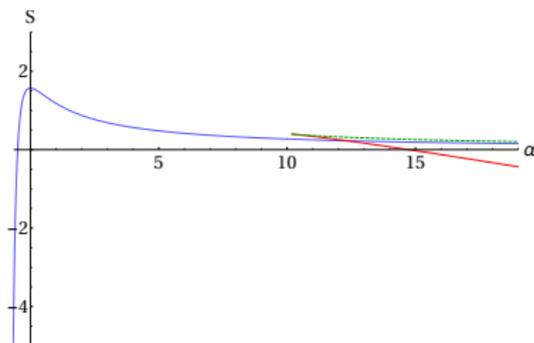
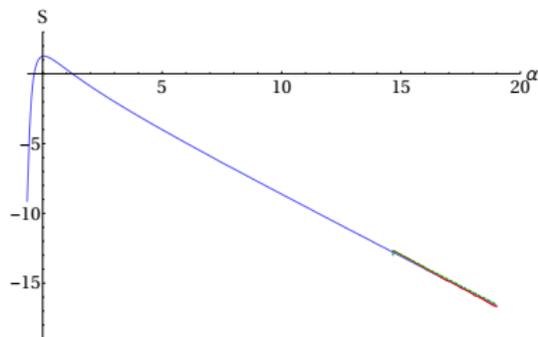
(a) NUT solution



(b) Bolt solution

NUT solutions exist everywhere while Bolt solutions only exist in a restricted area

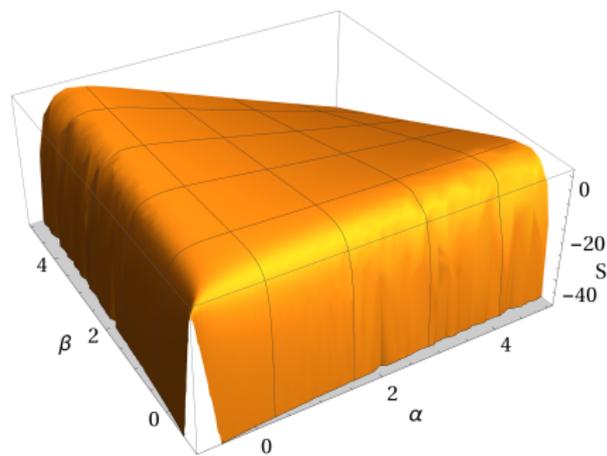
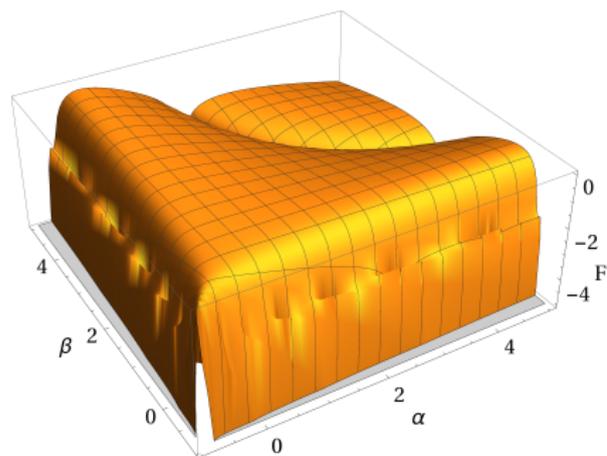
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(a) $\beta = -0.2$ (b) $\beta = 0$ (c) $\beta = 0.8$

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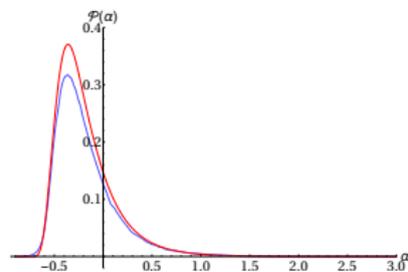
- Same global maxima
- Same maxima for slices of β or α
- No NUT to Bolt transition in (free) CFT
- F for CFT diverges when $R = 0$

dS/CFT

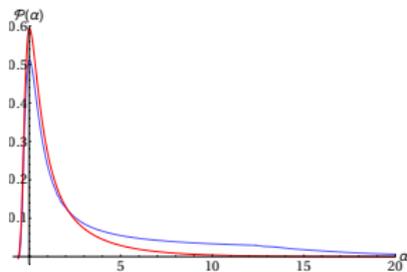
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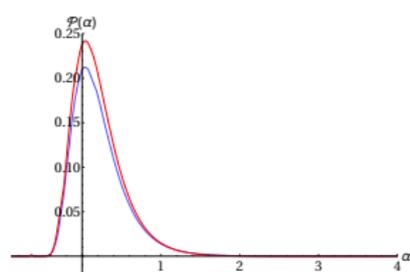
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(b) $\beta = 0.05$



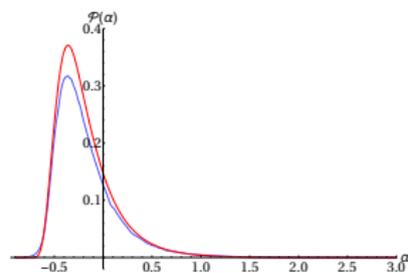
(c) $\beta = 1.15$

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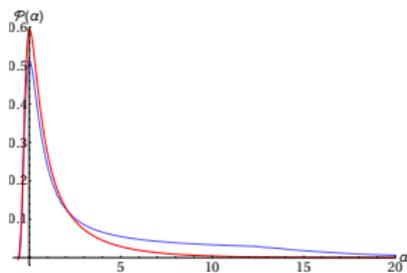
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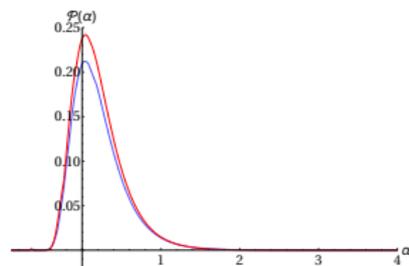
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\Rightarrow Anisotropic universes are less likely to occur

Summary

- Studied CFTs for which we deformed the background to have two squashings
- Unreasonable effectiveness when we expand the free energy in terms of the squashing
- Relationship with entanglement entropy?
- New GR solutions which asymptote to a double squashed sphere
- Compared the new GR solutions with CFTs on same geometry
- In cosmological context: anisotropic universes are not favoured