### Numerical study on quantum entanglement entropy in 4d SU(3) gauge theories

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### entanglement entropy =? a novel approach to understand the confinement

Don't think....feel....

#### Outline

- Introduction (QCD in 4d)
- Definition of entanglement entropy
- Replica method
- Results for the quenched QCD

# QCD

dynamics of gluons and quarks

 $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{\Lambda} (F^a_{\mu\nu})^2 + \bar{\psi} (iD_\mu\gamma^\mu - m)\psi$ Yang-Mills theory ۲ (SU(3)gauge theory)  $F^a_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A^a_\nu - \partial_\nu A^a_\mu + igf^{abc}A^b_\mu A^c_\nu \qquad D_\mu = \partial_\mu - igA^a_\mu t^a$ local symmetry parameter: gauge coupling, fermion mass ۲ adjoint reps. of SU(3)  $A^{a}_{\mu}(x) \quad \{ {a = 1, \cdots, 8 \atop \mu = 1, \cdots, 4} \}$ (gluon: messenger of the force)  $\psi^i_{\alpha}(x), \overline{\psi}^{\overline{i}}_{\alpha}$  or  $q, \overline{q}$  {i=1,2,3 $\alpha=1,\cdots,4$ • fundamental reps. of SU(3) (quark: fundamental element of matter) remarks: pure YM or quenched QCD => only first term full QCD => whole lagrangian meson baryon ex)pion ex)proton

# confinement

A nonperturbative property of QCD

Hadron



### Basic properties of E.E.

#### entanglement entropy for quantum system

- how much a quantum state is entangled quantum mechanically
- d.o.f of the system
- quantum properties of the ground state for the system
- in finite T system, it gives a thermal entropy

#### QCD theory (T=0)

A color confinement changes the d.o.f of the system



#### Definition of the entanglement entropy

#### Entanglement entropy (E.E.)

von Neumann entropy 
$$S_{tot} = -\text{Tr}\rho_{tot}\log\rho_{tot}$$

density matrix  $ho_{tot} = |\Psi
angle \langle \Psi|$   $|\Psi
angle$  :pure ground state

decompose total Hilbert space into two subsystems

$$\mathcal{H}_{tot} = \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$$

reduced density matrix

$$\rho_A = -\mathrm{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_B}\rho_{tot}$$

entanglement entropy

$$S_A = -\mathrm{Tr}_A \rho_A \log \rho_A$$



At finite T, it is equivalent to the thermal entropy.

Holzhey,Larsen and Wilczek: NPB424 (1994) 443 Calabrese and Cardy: J.S.M.0406(2004)P06002 Calabrese and Cardy, arXiv:0905.4013

(1+1)-dim. model





At the critical point,

$$S_A(l) = \frac{c}{3}\log\frac{l}{a} + c_1$$

c is the central charge in 2d CFT.

 $\xi$  : correlation length of the system



In the non critical system,

 $l \ll \xi$  $S_A(l) \sim \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{l}{a}$ 

 $\xi$  : correlation length of the system



In the non critical case,



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At the critical point or  $\ l\ll\xi$  in the noncritical system

$$S_A(l) = \frac{c}{3}\log\frac{l}{a} + c_1$$

In the non-critical system,

$$S_A(l) \xrightarrow[l \gg \xi]{} \frac{c}{3} \log \frac{\xi}{a}$$



Difficulties to obtain E.E. in 4d gauge theory

• UV cutoff dependence of 4d E.E.

(local) gauge invariance

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red definitions are inadequate for E.E. or rhoA

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Our work

Calabrese and Cardy: J.S.M.0406(2004)P06002







#### Simulation results

#### Lattice results for quenched SU(2)



### **Entropic C-function**



should be constant in short I region



#### Our result

### Simulation setup

- Wilson plaquette gauge action
- Ns=Nt=16, 32
- I/a=2,3,4,5,(6)
- beta=5.70 5.87



- # of configuration 12,000~84,000
- scale setting  $r_0 = 0.5$  fm and ALPHA coll.

#### Lattice results for quenched SU(3)

#### T=0, quenched QCD



#### **Entropic C-function**

independent of UV cutoff

$$C(l) = l^3 \frac{1}{|\partial A|} \frac{dS}{dl}$$



#### Comparison with Ryu-Takayanagi results

Ryu and Takayanagi:PRL96(2006)181602 JHEP 0608(2006)045

Holographic (or field theoretical) approach

(3+1)-dim. CFT 
$$\frac{1}{|\partial A|}S_A(l) = c\frac{N_c^2}{a^2} - c'\frac{N_c^2}{l^2}$$

c' is obtained by AdS and QFT

 $c' \sim 0.0049$  for free real scalar theory

Estimation for non-abelian gauge theory  $A^a_\mu$  { $a=1,\cdots,8$  $\mu=1,\cdots,4$  $C_{gauge} \sim 2c' \cdot 2 \cdot 8 \sim 0.1568$ 

Our numerical result

 $C_{\rm gauge} \sim 0.2064$ 

#### Detail analyses

#### finite vol. effect



UV cutoff dependence



algorithm dependence of the numerical integration



#### replica number dependence



## Summary

- This is the first precise determination of E.E. for quenched QCD
- Nc dependence in the short I region is Nc<sup>2</sup> as expected by AdS/CFT and field theoretical insights
- No discontinuity exists as contrast with SU(2) results
- Entropic C-function shows UV cutoff independence
- Value of C-function agrees with Ryu-Takayanagi work
- replica number (n ->1) dependence

#### Future directions for E.E. using the lattice

#### QCD at zero T

- give a novel observation for confinement
- even in full QCD case
- QCD at finite T
- gives the thermal entropy and the correlation length in QGP phase
- conformal window in 4dim Nf flavor QCD
- would give the a-function and central charge



nontrivial IR fixed point is found by lattice simulation cf) E.I. PTEP(2013)083B01