

Optical white-black hole horizons and entanglement

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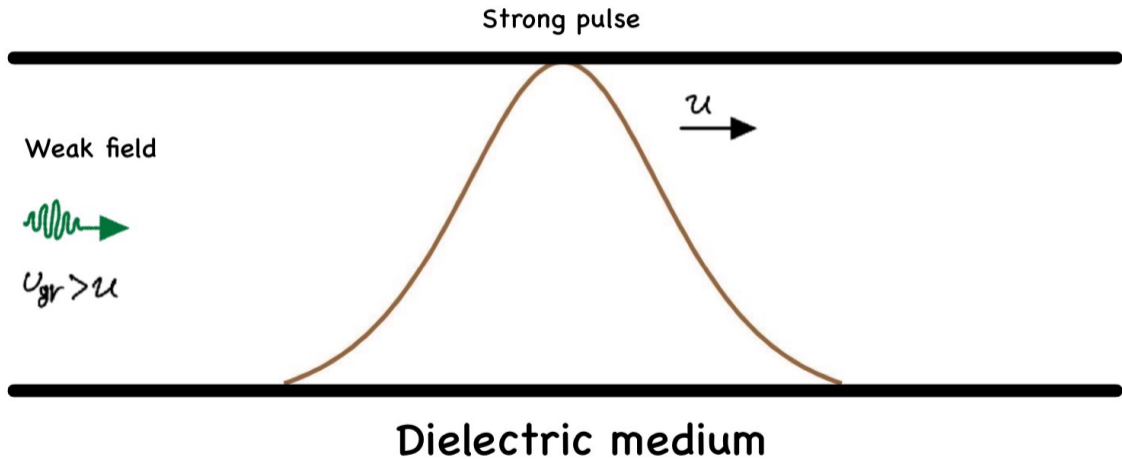
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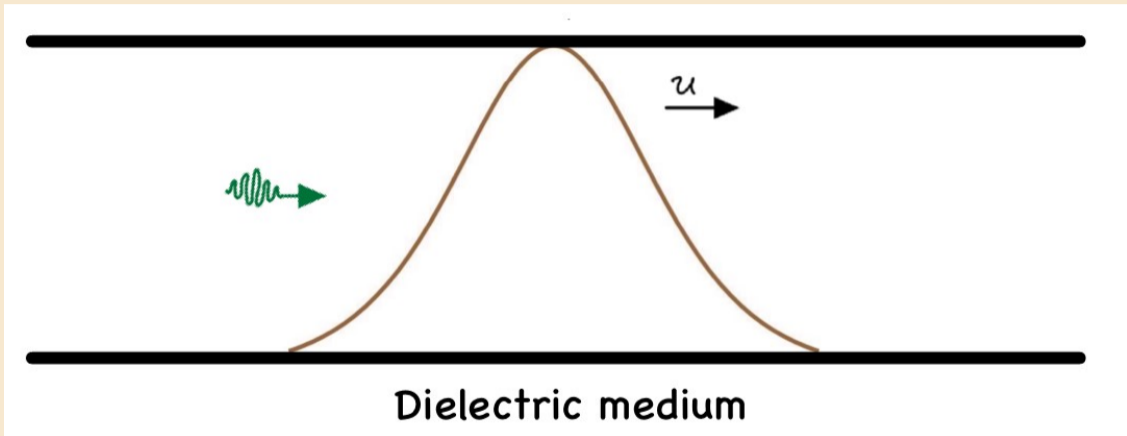
Apply tools from quantum information theory to quantify the amount of entanglement produced by causal horizons via the Hawking process and study its dependence on the input quantum state.

Optical analogue white hole-black hole pairs

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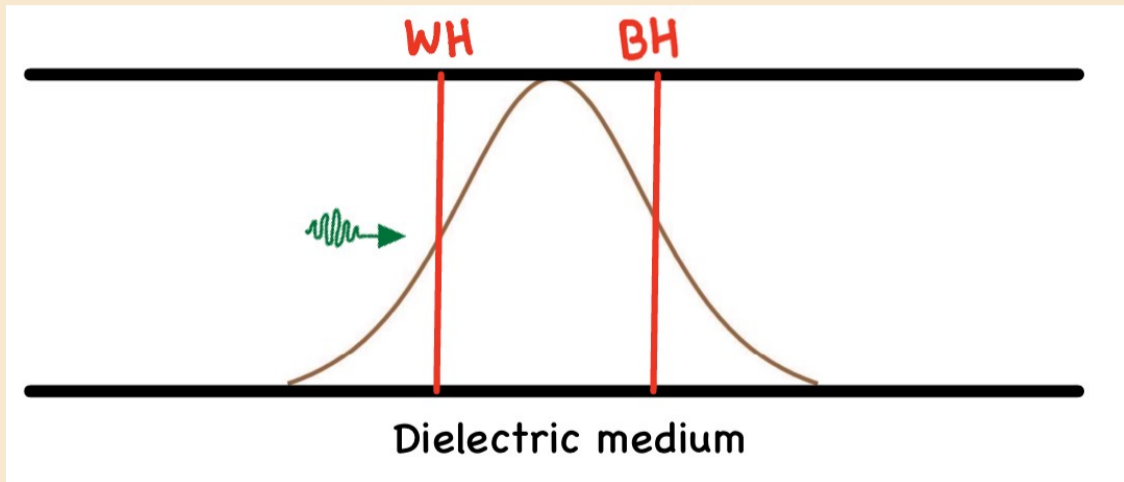


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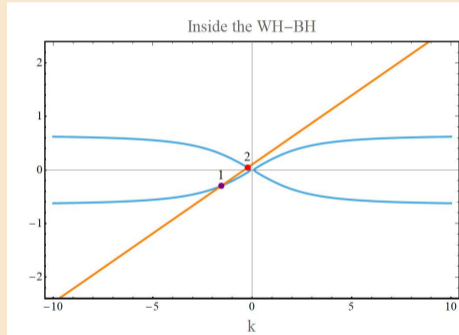
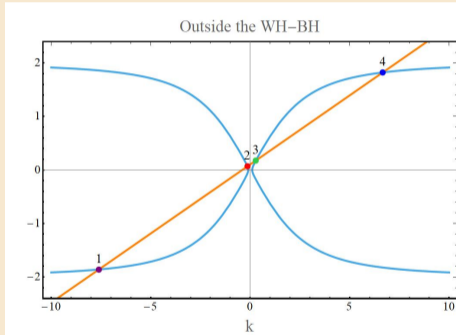
$$n_{\text{eff}}(\omega, x, t) = n(\omega) + \delta n(x, t), \quad \delta n(x, t) = \alpha E_s^2(x, t)$$

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Dispersion relation in the comoving frame

$$\gamma(\omega + uk) = \pm \left[\Omega_o - \alpha E_o^2 \operatorname{sech}^2 \left(\frac{\chi}{\Delta} \right) \right] \sqrt{1 + \frac{g^2}{\omega^2 - k^2 - g^2}}$$



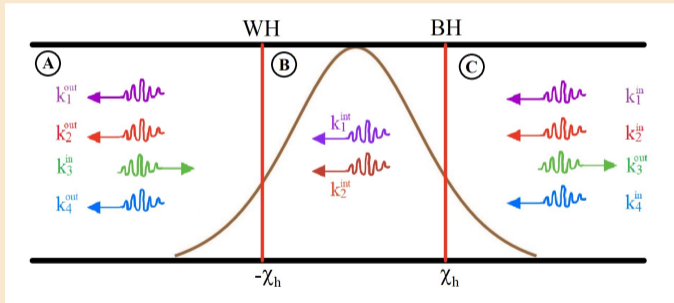
- There are two **short** wavelength modes k_1, k_4 and two **long** wavelength modes k_2, k_3 .
- In the comoving frame k_1, k_2, k_4 move in the **left** direction while k_3 moves in the **right** direction.

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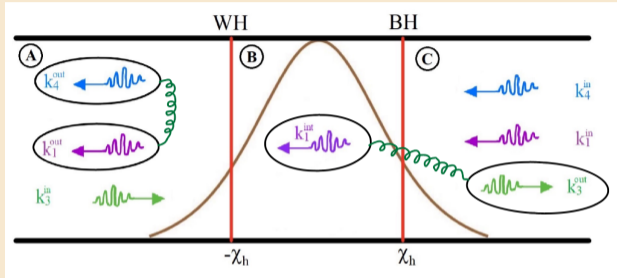
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Reference: A. Serafini, *Quantum Continuous Variables: A Primer of Theoretical Methods* (2017).

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- **Entanglement**: Quantified by *Logarithmic Negativity LN*.

→ Based on the Positivity of Partial Transposition (PPT) criterion.

→ Can be used to quantify the entanglement of mixed states.

→ Can be computed from σ .

→ For Gaussian states where either subsystem is made of a single degree of freedom, *LN* is a **faithful** entanglement quantifier.

→ Measures entanglement in units of Bell states.

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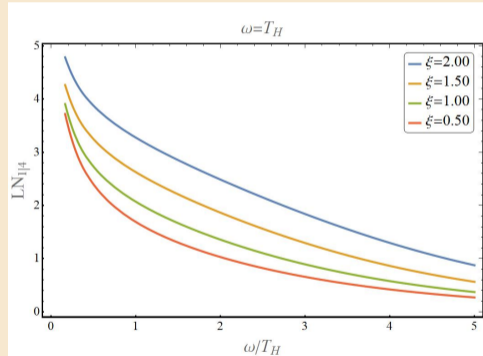
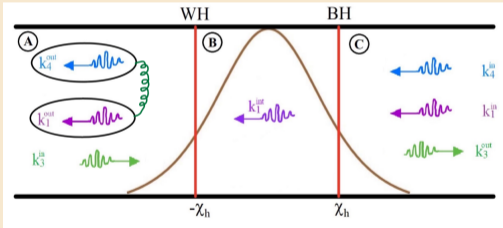
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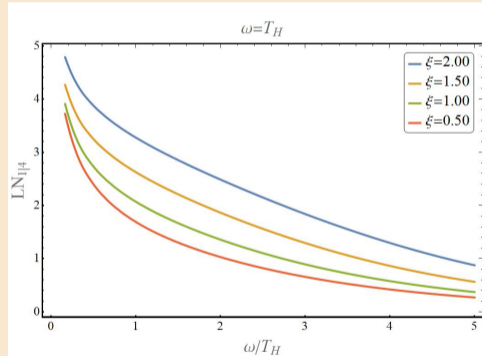
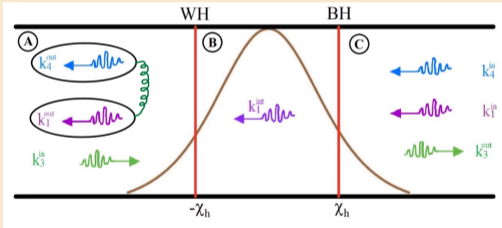
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- Single-mode squeezed inputs amplify the entanglement generated by the horizons.

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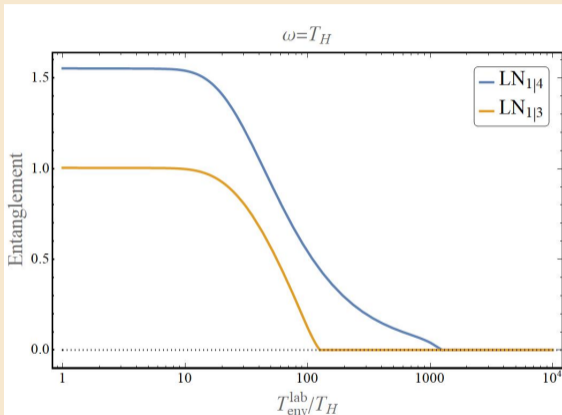
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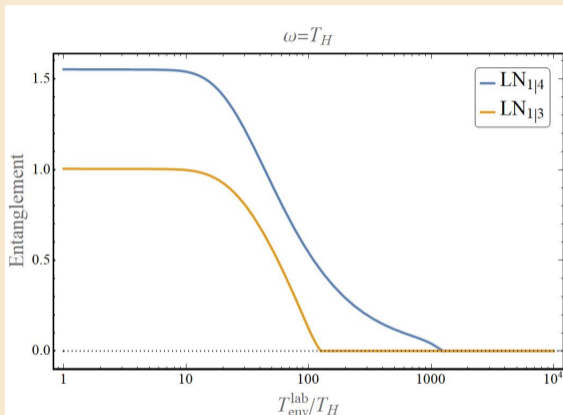
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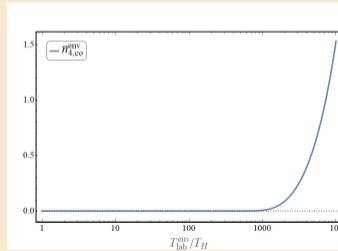
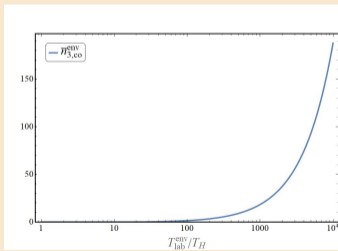
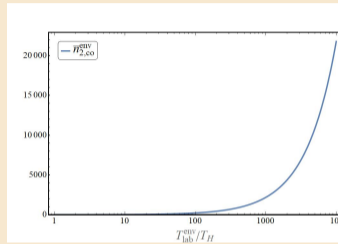
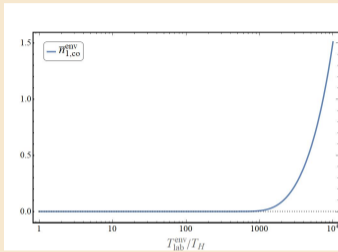


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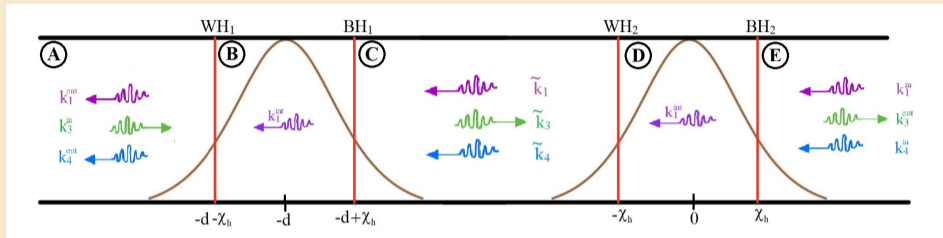
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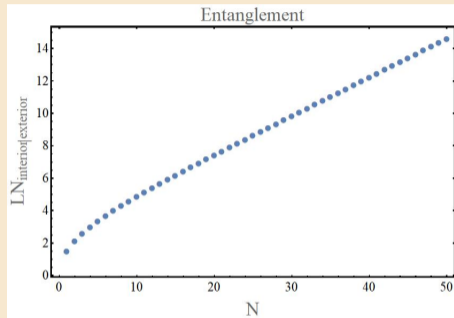
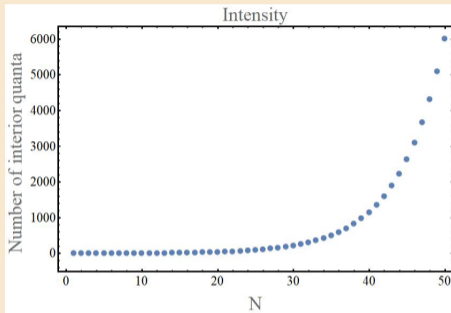
Hawking laser effect

The setup



- Consider the configuration of two strong electric pulses each reproducing an analog white-black hole.
- The BH_1 horizon and the WH_2 horizons exchange Hawking quanta stimulating each other.
- We numerically solve the scattering problem and compute intensities and entanglement.

Intensity and entanglement in the optical laser setup



- The intensity of the trapped mode increases exponentially in time (manifestation of the lasing effect). [U. Leonhardt and T. G. Philbin (2008), S. Finazzi and R. Parentani (2010), A. Coutant and R. Parentani (2010), D. Bermudez and U. Leonhardt (2018), H. Katayama (2021)] .
- In addition, we find that the entanglement shared between the interior and the exterior modes increases linearly in time.
- Laser configuration behaves as an entanglement factory!!!

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