

# Pair Production in Near Extremal Charged Black Holes

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# Spontaneous Pair Production

- **Quantum Vacuum Fluctuation:** *virtual particles*
  - Heisenberg's uncertainty principle:  $\Delta E \Delta t \geq \hbar/2$
  - creation of particle-antiparticle pairs (virtual particles)
- **Spontaneous Pair Production:** *from virtual to real*
  - Schwinger mechanism: electric field
  - Hawking radiation: causal horizon (tunneling picture)

Schwinger, 1951

Parikh, Wilczek, [hep-th/9907001]



# Motivation

- **Subject:** particle creation in charged black holes
  - technical simplicity: constant electric field (**exactly solvable**)
  - **holographic description:** anti de Sitter
- Reissner-Nordström (RN) Black Holes: near extremal
  - near horizon region: where the pair production occurs

$$AdS_2 \times S^2 + \text{constant electric field}$$

- (near) extremal RN black holes
  - (almost) vanishing HAWKING temperature: stable (thermal)
  - non-vanishing electric field: unstable (quantum)

CMC, S.P. Kim, Y.-J. Lin, J.-R. Sun, M.-F. Wu, arXiv:1202.3224 [hep-th]

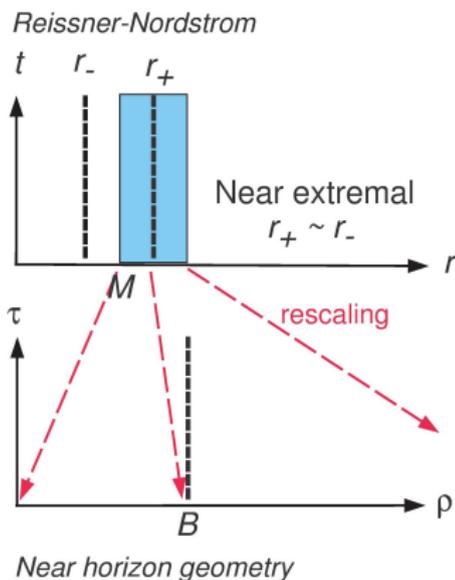
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- (near) extremal KN black holes

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# Near Horizon Geometry of RN Black Holes

- Near horizon geometry of near extremal Reissner-Nordström Black Holes:



- Horizon radius:  

$$r_{\pm} = M \pm \sqrt{M^2 - Q^2}$$
- Near extremal:  

$$Q \rightarrow M \Rightarrow r_- \rightarrow r_+$$

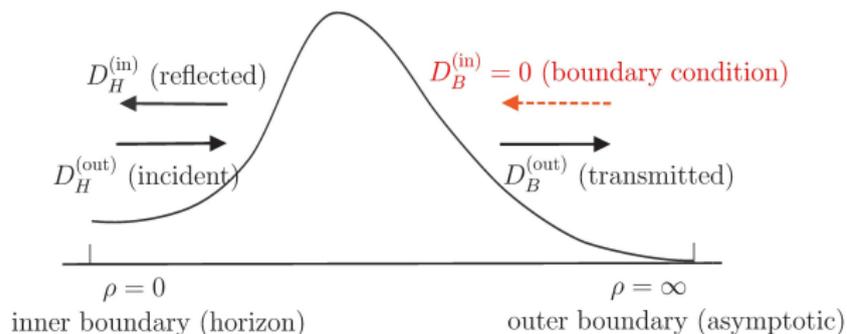
# Particle Creation: Boundary Conditions

- Pair Production: **probe charged massive scalar/spinor field**
  - The ratios of fluxes exhibit particle creation with suitable boundary conditions.

Kim, Page, [arXiv:hep-th/0005078]

Kim, Lee, Yoon, [arXiv:0910.3363 [hep-th]]

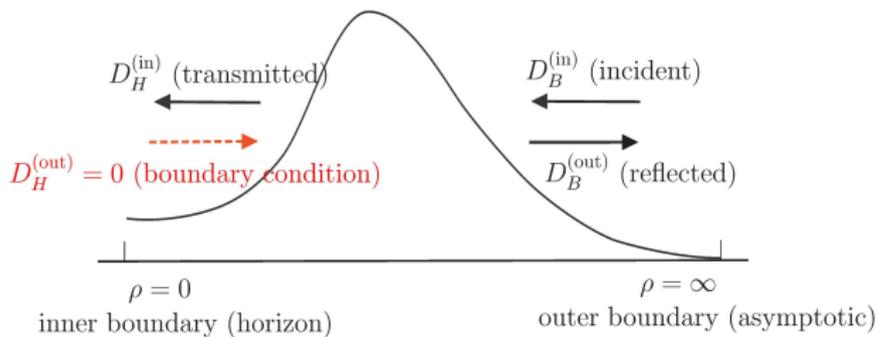
- Boundary condition I: **particle view point**



- incident: virtual particles
- reflected: re-annihilated
- transmitted: pair produced "particles"

# Particle Creation: Boundary Conditions

## ■ Boundary condition II: antiparticle view point



- incident: virtual particles
- reflected: re-annihilated
- transmitted: pair produced "antiparticles"

## ■ Equivalence:

- particles and antiparticles should always appear in pairs
- \*\* There is only ONE independent ratio. \*\*

# Particle Creation: Physical Quantities

- **vacuum persistence amplitude:**  $|\alpha|^2$   
 (★ **probability for re-annihilation:**  $1/|\alpha|^2$  ★)

$$|\alpha|^2 \equiv \frac{D_{\text{incident}}}{D_{\text{reflected}}}, \quad \frac{1}{|\alpha|^2} \equiv \frac{D_{\text{reflected}}}{D_{\text{incident}}}$$

- **mean number of produced pairs:**  $|\beta|^2$

$$|\beta|^2 \equiv \frac{D_{\text{transmitted}}}{D_{\text{reflected}}}$$

- **absorption cross section: (probability)**  $\sigma_{\text{abs}}$

$$\sigma_{\text{abs}} \equiv \frac{D_{\text{transmitted}}}{D_{\text{incident}}} = \frac{|\beta|^2}{|\alpha|^2}$$

- **flux conservation and Bogoliubov relation**

$$|D_{\text{incident}}| = |D_{\text{reflected}}| + |D_{\text{transmitted}}| \quad \iff \quad |\alpha|^2 - |\beta|^2 = 1$$

# Scalar Production

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- Near horizon geometry of near-extremal RN

$$ds^2 = -\frac{\rho^2 - B^2}{Q^2} d\tau^2 + \frac{Q^2}{\rho^2 - B^2} d\rho^2 + Q^2 d\Omega_2^2$$

$$A_{[1]} = -\frac{\rho}{Q} d\tau; \quad F_{[2]} = \frac{1}{Q} d\tau \wedge d\rho$$

- “rescaled” deviation from extremality:  $\epsilon^2 B^2 = 2Q(M - Q)$
- geometric structure:  $AdS_2 \times S^2$  (radius  $Q$  for both)
- electric field: **constant**
- **probe massive charged scalar**:  $\Phi$

$$S_\Phi = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{1}{2} D_\alpha \Phi^* D^\alpha \Phi - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \Phi^* \Phi \right)$$

- $D_\alpha \equiv \nabla_\alpha - iqA_\alpha$
- $m$  and  $q$  are the mass and charge of  $\Phi$

# Scalar Production

- Field equation: Klein-Gordon (KG) equation

$$(\nabla_\alpha - iqA_\alpha)(\nabla^\alpha - iqA^\alpha)\Phi - m^2\Phi = 0$$

- Flux:

$$D = i\sqrt{-g}g^{\rho\rho}(\Phi D_\rho\Phi^* - \Phi^* D_\rho\Phi)$$

- Ansatz:

$$\Phi(\tau, \rho, \theta, \phi) = e^{-i\omega\tau + in\phi} R(\rho)S(\theta)$$

- separated field equations (exactly solvable !!!)

$$\partial_\rho [(\rho^2 - B^2)\partial_\rho R] + \left[ \frac{(q\rho - \omega Q)^2 Q^2}{\rho^2 - B^2} - m^2 Q^2 - \lambda_l \right] R = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\sin\theta} \partial_\theta (\sin\theta \partial_\theta S) - \left( \frac{n^2}{\sin^2\theta} - \lambda_l \right) S = 0$$

- $S(\theta)$  is spherical harmonics with the eigenvalue  $\lambda_l = l(l+1)$

# Scalar Production

- Exact solution: in terms of hypergeometric functions
- Condition for Schwinger mechanism and/or Hawking radiation

$$(m^2 - q^2)Q^2 + (l + 1/2)^2 < 0$$

- violation of Breitenlohner-Freedman (BF) bound in AdS<sub>2</sub>
  - unstable mode
- Cosmic censorship: necessary condition

$$q^2 > m^2$$

- avoiding naked singularity
- Schwinger mechanism: extremal to non-extremal

# Scalar Production

- Bogoliubov coefficients

$$|\alpha|^2 = \frac{\cosh(\pi\kappa - \pi\mu) \cosh(\pi\tilde{\kappa} + \pi\mu)}{\cosh(\pi\kappa + \pi\mu) \cosh(\pi\tilde{\kappa} - \pi\mu)}$$

$$|\beta|^2 = \frac{\sinh(2\pi\mu) \sinh(\pi\tilde{\kappa} - \pi\kappa)}{\cosh(\pi\kappa + \pi\mu) \cosh(\pi\tilde{\kappa} - \pi\mu)}$$

$$\kappa \equiv qQ, \quad \mu \equiv \sqrt{(q^2 - m^2)Q^2 - (l + 1/2)^2}, \quad \tilde{\kappa} \equiv \frac{\omega Q^2}{B}$$

- Absorption cross section:

$$\sigma_{\text{abs}} = \frac{\sinh(2\pi\mu) \sinh(\pi\tilde{\kappa} - \pi\kappa)}{\cosh(\pi\kappa - \pi\mu) \cosh(\pi\tilde{\kappa} + \pi\mu)}$$

- Leading term of  $|\beta|^2$  ( $\tilde{\kappa} \rightarrow \infty, q \gg m$ )  $\Rightarrow$  Schwinger formula

$$|\beta|^2 \approx e^{-\frac{\pi m^2 Q}{q}} \approx e^{-\frac{\pi m^2 r_H^2}{qQ}}$$

# Generalizations

## ■ Spinor Production in Reissner-Nordström black holes

CMC, J.-R. Sun, F.-Y. Tang, P.-Y. Tsai, arXiv:1412.6876 [hep-th]

$$|\alpha|^2 = \frac{D_H^{(\text{out})}}{D_H^{(\text{in})}} = \frac{\sinh(\pi\mu - \pi\kappa) \cosh(\pi\mu + \pi\tilde{\kappa})}{\sinh(\pi\mu + \pi\kappa) \cosh(\pi\mu - \pi\tilde{\kappa})}$$

$$|\beta|^2 = \frac{D_\infty^{(\text{out})}}{D_H^{(\text{in})}} = \frac{\sinh(2\pi\mu) \cosh(\pi\tilde{\kappa} - \pi\kappa)}{\sinh(\pi\mu + \pi\kappa) \cosh(\pi\mu - \pi\tilde{\kappa})}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{abs}} = \frac{D_\infty^{(\text{out})}}{D_H^{(\text{out})}} = \frac{\sinh(2\pi\mu) \cosh(\pi\tilde{\kappa} - \pi\kappa)}{\sinh(\pi\mu - \pi\kappa) \cosh(\pi\mu + \pi\tilde{\kappa})}$$

## ■ Scalar Production in Kerr-Newman black holes

CMC, S.P. Kim, J.-R. Sun, F.-Y. Tang, arXiv:1607.02610 [hep-th]

$$\tilde{\kappa} = \frac{\omega}{B}, \quad \kappa = \frac{qQ^3 - 2nar_0}{r_0^2 + a^2}, \quad \mu = \sqrt{\kappa^2 - m^2(r_0^2 + a^2) - \lambda} - \frac{1}{4}$$

# Thermal Interpretation

- **Hamilton-Jacobi action:**  $R(r) = e^{iS(r)}$  (WKB)

$$S(r) = \int \frac{dr}{r^2 - B^2} \sqrt{\frac{[\omega(r_0^2 + a^2) - qQ^3 r + 2nar_0 r]^2}{(r_0^2 + a^2)^2} - \bar{m}^2(r_0^2 + a^2)(r^2 - B^2)}$$

$$\bar{m} = m \sqrt{1 + \frac{\lambda + 1/4}{m^2(r_0^2 + a^2)}}$$

- **Residue contributions** of the contour integrate at three simple poles:  $r = \pm B$  and  $r = \infty$

$$S_a = S_- + S_+ = 2\pi \frac{qQ^3 - 2nar_0}{r_0^2 + a^2} = 2\pi\kappa$$

$$\tilde{S}_a = S_- - S_+ = 2\pi \frac{\omega}{B} = 2\pi\tilde{\kappa}$$

$$S_b = S_\infty = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{(qQ^3 - 2nar_0)^2}{(r_0^2 + a^2)^2} - \bar{m}^2(r_0^2 + a^2)} = 2\pi\mu$$

# Thermal Interpretation

- Phase-integral formula:

$$N_S = e^{-S_a + S_b} = e^{-\frac{\bar{m}}{T_{\text{KN}}}}$$

- Temperature for Schwinger effect:

$$T_{\text{KN}} = T_U + \sqrt{T_U^2 + \frac{\mathcal{R}}{8\pi^2}}$$

R.-G. Cai, S. P. Kim, arXiv:1407.4569 [hep-th]

S. P. Kim, H. K. Lee, Y. Yoon, arXiv:1503.00218 [hep-th]

CMC, S. P. Kim, J.-R. Sun, F.-Y. Tang, arXiv:1607.026106 [hep-th]

- Unruh temperature and **effective curvature**:

$$T_U = \frac{qQ^3 - 2nar_0}{2\pi\bar{m}(r_0^2 + a^2)^2}, \quad \mathcal{R} = -\frac{2}{r_0^2 + a^2}$$

# Thermal Interpretation

- Mean number of produced pairs: extremal limit  $\tilde{S}_a \rightarrow \infty$

$$|\beta|^2 = \left( \frac{e^{-S_a+S_b} - e^{-S_a-S_b}}{1 + e^{-S_a-S_b}} \right) \left( \frac{1 - e^{-\tilde{S}_a+S_a}}{1 + e^{-\tilde{S}_a+S_b}} \right)$$

- New parameters: ( $\mathcal{R} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow T_{\text{KN}} = 2T_U, \bar{T}_{\text{KN}} = 0$ )

$$\bar{T}_{\text{KN}} = T_U - \sqrt{T_U^2 + \frac{\mathcal{R}}{8\pi^2}}$$

- Mean number of produced pairs: (AdS<sub>2</sub>){Rindler<sub>2</sub>}

$$\mathcal{N} = e^{\frac{\tilde{m}}{T_{\text{KN}}}} \left( \frac{e^{-\frac{\tilde{m}}{T_{\text{KN}}}} - e^{-\frac{\tilde{m}}{\bar{T}_{\text{KN}}}}}{1 + e^{-\frac{\tilde{m}}{\bar{T}_{\text{KN}}}}} \right) \left\{ \frac{e^{-\frac{\tilde{m}}{T_{\text{KN}}}} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{\hat{\omega} - q\Phi_H - n\Omega_H}{T_H}} \right)}{1 + e^{-\frac{\hat{\omega} - q\Phi_H - n\Omega_H}{T_H}} e^{-\frac{\tilde{m}}{T_{\text{KN}}}}} \right\}$$

- $\hat{\omega} = \varepsilon\omega$  (frequency in “original” coordinates),  $T_H$  (Hawking temperature),  $\Phi_H$  (chemical potential),  $\Omega_H$  (angular velocity)

## Dual CFT Description

- Absorption cross section (pair production)

$$\sigma_{\text{abs}} = \frac{\sinh(2\pi\mu)}{\pi^2} \sinh(\pi\tilde{\kappa} - \pi\kappa) \left| \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + i(\mu - \kappa)\right) \right|^2 \left| \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + i(\mu + \tilde{\kappa})\right) \right|^2$$

- from 2-point correlator in 2D CFT

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{abs}} \sim & T_L^{2h_L-1} T_R^{2h_R-1} \sinh\left(\frac{\tilde{\omega}_L}{2T_L} + \frac{\tilde{\omega}_R}{2T_R}\right) \left| \Gamma\left(h_L + i\frac{\tilde{\omega}_L}{2\pi T_L}\right) \right|^2 \\ & \times \left| \Gamma\left(h_R + i\frac{\tilde{\omega}_R}{2\pi T_R}\right) \right|^2 \end{aligned}$$

- Conformal weight:  $h_L = h_R = \frac{1}{2} + i\mu$

## Dual CFT Description

- Twofold CFT descriptions for Kerr-Newman black holes

CMC, Huang, Sun, Wu, Zou, PRD 82 (2010) 066004 [arXiv:1006.4097 [hep-th]]

- $J$ -picture:  $c_L^J = c_R^J = 12J$  (central charges) **temperatures**

$$T_L^J = \frac{r_+^2 + r_-^2 + 2a^2}{4\pi a(r_+ + r_-)}, \quad T_R^J = \frac{r_+ - r_-}{4\pi a} \quad \Rightarrow \quad T_L^J \sim \frac{r_0^2 + a^2}{4\pi a r_0}, \quad T_R^J \sim \frac{B}{2\pi a}$$

- $Q$ -picture:  $c_L^Q = c_R^Q = \frac{6Q^3}{\ell}$  (central charges) **temperatures**

$$T_L^Q = \frac{(r_+^2 + r_-^2 + 2a^2)\ell}{4\pi Q(r_+ r_- - a^2)}, \quad T_R^Q = \frac{(r_+^2 - r_-^2)\ell}{4\pi Q(r_+ r_- - a^2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad T_L^Q \sim \frac{(r_0^2 + a^2)\ell}{2\pi Q^3}, \quad T_R^Q \sim \frac{r_0 B \ell}{\pi Q^3}$$

- geometrical meaning of  $\ell$ : radius of embedded extra circle

## Dual CFT Description

- CFT entropy: (for both pictures)

$$S_{\text{CFT}} = \frac{\pi^2}{3}(c_L T_L + c_R T_R) \sim \pi(r_0^2 + a^2 + 2r_0 B)$$

- Black hole entropy and **temperature**

$$S_{\text{BH}} = \pi(r_+^2 + a^2) \quad \Rightarrow \quad S_{\text{BH}} \sim \pi(r_0^2 + a^2 + 2r_0 B)$$

$$\hat{T}_H = \frac{r_+ - r_-}{4\pi(r_+^2 + a^2)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad T_H \sim \frac{B}{2\pi}$$

- Identification via first law of thermodynamics ( $\delta S_{\text{BH}} = \delta S_{\text{CFT}}$ )

$$\frac{\delta M - \Omega_H \delta J - \Phi_H \delta Q}{T_H} = \frac{\tilde{\omega}_L}{T_L} + \frac{\tilde{\omega}_R}{T_R}$$

## Dual CFT Description

- angular velocity and chemical potential (at  $r = B$ )

$$\Omega_H = \frac{2ar_0}{r_0^2 + a^2} B, \quad \Phi_H = -\frac{Q^3 B}{r_0^2 + a^2}$$

- variation of parameters:  $\delta M = \omega$ ,  $\delta J = -n$ ,  $\delta Q = -q$
- CFT “frequencies”:

$$J\text{-picture:} \quad \tilde{\omega}_R^J = \frac{\omega}{a}, \quad \tilde{\omega}_L^J = -\frac{qQ^3 - 2nar_0}{2ar_0}$$

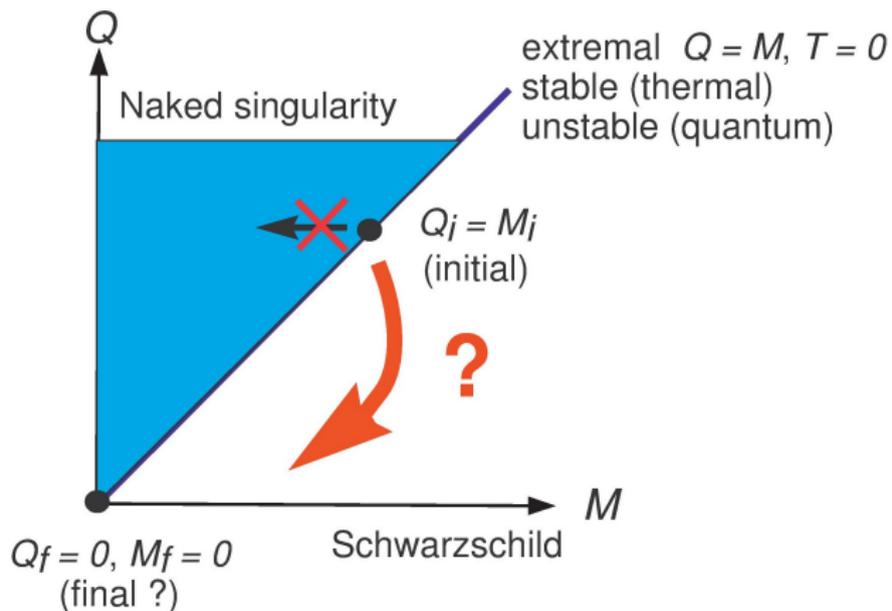
$$Q\text{-picture:} \quad \tilde{\omega}_R^Q = \frac{2r_0\ell\omega}{Q^3}, \quad \tilde{\omega}_L^Q = -\frac{(qQ^3 - 2nar_0)\ell}{Q^3}$$

- for both pictures

$$\frac{\tilde{\omega}_L}{2T_L} = -\pi\kappa, \quad \frac{\tilde{\omega}_R}{2T_R} = \pi\tilde{\kappa}$$

# Pair Production

## ■ Phase Diagram: for RN black holes



# Summary

- Spontaneous pair production in near extremal charged black holes: **exact Bogoliubov coefficients**
- There is a remarkable **thermal interpretation**.
- The pair production (unstable mode) is **holographically dual** to an operator with **complex conformal weight**.
- **Cosmic censorship is preserved**.