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- Title : Holo-ween
- Speaker : Mark Van Raamsdonk, (University of British Columbia)
- Date : Wednesday, July 29, 2020
- Time : 09:00 am (IST)
- Abstract : We argue that given holographic CFT1 in some state with a dual spacetime geometry M , and given some other holographic CFT2, we can find states of CFT2 whose dual geometries closely approximate arbitrarily large causal patches of M , provided that CFT1 and CFT2 can be non-trivially coupled at an interface. Our CFT2 states are "dressed up as" states of CFT1: they are obtained from the original CFT1 state by a regularized quench operator defined using a Euclidean path-integral with an interface between CFT2 and CFT1. Our results are consistent with the idea that the precise microscopic degrees of freedom and Hamiltonian of a holographic CFT are only important in fixing the asymptotic behavior of a dual spacetime, while the interior spacetime of a region spacelike separated from a boundary time slice is determined by more universal properties (such as entanglement structure) of the quantum state at this time slice. Our picture requires that low-energy gravitational theories related to CFTs that can be non-trivially coupled at an interface are part of the same non-perturbative theory of quantum gravity.
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