

The Fluid/Gravity Correspondence

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Fluid dynamics

- Fluid dynamics is continuum effective description of any microscopic QFT valid when scales of variation are long compared to mean free path ℓ_{mfp} .
- The fluid description assumes that the system achieves local thermodynamic equilibrium.

Regime of validity: “long-wavelength approximation”

For local temperature of the fluid T
and scale of variation of the dynamical degrees of freedom L ,
local equilibrium demands:

$$L T \equiv \frac{1}{\epsilon} \gg 1$$

Fluid dynamics

Dynamical degrees of freedom:

- Local temperature T
- Fluid velocity u_μ (normalized $u_\mu u^\mu = -1$)

\Rightarrow This leaves d functions, $T(x^\mu)$ and $u_\nu(x^\mu)$, which specify our fluid configuration.

(x^μ are coordinates on the boundary spacetime on which the fluid lives.)

The conformal fluid stress tensor $T^{\mu\nu}$

Encode all the fluid information by stress tensor $T^{\mu\nu}$, which is

- Traceless: $T^\mu{}_\mu = 0$
- Conserved: $\nabla_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$

The conservation equation captures the dynamics.

Form of conformal fluid stress tensor

Form of stress tensor is determined by symmetries,
order by order in derivative expansion;

fluid properties specified by **finite # of undetermined coefficients**.

Using Weyl-covariant formulation, in d dimensions

$$\begin{aligned}
 T^{\mu\nu} = & P (\gamma^{\mu\nu} + d u^\mu u^\nu) - 2 \eta \sigma^{\mu\nu} \\
 & + 2 \eta \left[\tau_1 u^\lambda \mathcal{D}_\lambda \sigma^{\mu\nu} - \tau_2 (\omega^\mu{}_\lambda \sigma^{\lambda\nu} + \omega^\nu{}_\lambda \sigma^{\lambda\mu}) \right] \\
 & + \xi_\sigma \left[\sigma^\mu{}_\lambda \sigma^{\lambda\nu} - \frac{P^{\mu\nu}}{d-1} \sigma^{\alpha\beta} \sigma_{\alpha\beta} \right] + \xi_C C_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} u^\alpha u^\beta \\
 & + \xi_\omega \left[\omega^\mu{}_\lambda \omega^{\lambda\nu} + \frac{P^{\mu\nu}}{d-1} \omega^{\alpha\beta} \omega_{\alpha\beta} \right] + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

where Weyl-covariance demands that

$$P \propto T^d, \quad \eta \propto T^{d-1}, \quad \tau_{1,2} \propto T^{-2}, \quad \xi_{\sigma,C,\omega} \propto T^{d-2}$$

Gravity in the bulk

- Consider any 2-derivative theory of 5-d gravity interacting with other fields with AdS_5 as a solution (e.g. IIB SUGRA on $AdS_5 \times S^5$). Solution space has a universal sub-sector: pure gravity with negative cosmological constant

$$E_{MN} \equiv R_{MN} - \frac{1}{2}R g_{MN} + \Lambda g_{MN} = 0$$

$$(R_{AdS} = 1 \Rightarrow \Lambda = -6)$$

We will focus on this sub-sector in long-wavelength limit.

- Apart from the AdS_5 solution, there is a 4-parameter family of solutions representing asymptotically- AdS_5 boosted planar black holes.
- We will use these solutions to construct general dynamical spacetimes characterized by fluid-dynamical configurations.

0^{th} order: boosted Schwarzschild-AdS black hole

- Start with the well-known stationary solution: ▶ (derivation)
boosted Schwarzschild-AdS₅ black hole (w/ planar symmetry)

$$ds^2 = -2 u_\mu dx^\mu dr + r^2 (\eta_{\mu\nu} + [1 - f(r/\pi T)] u_\mu u_\nu) dx^\mu dx^\nu ,$$

with $f(r) \equiv 1 - \frac{1}{r^4}$

- It is parameterized by 4 parameters:
temperature T and boosts u_j .
- The bulk black hole is dual to a bdy perfect fluid with

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \pi^4 T^4 (\eta^{\mu\nu} + 4 u^\mu u^\nu)$$

Deforming the 0^{th} order solution

- Now promote parameters u_μ and T to functions depending on the boundary coordinates x^μ :

$$ds^2 = -2 u_\mu(x) dx^\mu dr + r^2 (\eta_{\mu\nu} + [1 - f(r/\pi T(x))] u_\mu(x) u_\nu(x)) dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

Call such a metric $g^{(0)}$.

- Note: $g^{(0)}$ does NOT satisfy the equations of motion:

$$E_{MN} \equiv R_{MN} - \frac{1}{2} g_{MN} R - 6 g_{MN} = 0$$

- But starting from here we will construct an iterative solution.

A perturbation scheme for gravity

Assume that the variation in local temperature and velocities are slow

$$\frac{\partial_\mu \log T}{T} \sim \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) , \quad \frac{\partial_\mu u}{T} \sim \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

⇒ In local patches the solution is like a boosted planar black hole.

Basic idea

The perturbative scheme is aimed at constructing a regular bulk solution, by patching together pieces of the uniform boosted black hole.

Use ϵ as a book-keeping parameter (counting $\#$ of x^μ derivatives), and expand:

$$g = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \epsilon^k g^{(k)} , \quad T = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \epsilon^k T^{(k)} , \quad u = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \epsilon^k u^{(k)}$$

A perturbation scheme for gravity

At a given order in the ϵ -expansion we find equations for $g^{(k)}$. These are ultra-local in the field theory directions and take the schematic form:

$$\mathbb{H} \left[g^{(0)}(u_\mu^{(0)}, T^{(0)}) \right] g^{(k)}(x^\mu) = s_k$$

- \mathbb{H} is a second order linear differential operator in r alone.
- s_k are **regular** source terms which are built out of $g^{(n)}$ with $n \leq k - 1$.

A perturbation scheme for gravity

Importantly the equations of motion split up into two kinds:

- **Constraint equations:** $E_{r\mu} = 0$, which implement stress-tensor conservation (at one lower order).
- **Dynamical equations:** $E_{\mu\nu} = 0$ and $E_{rr} = 0$ allow determination of $g^{(k)}$.

We solve the dynamical equations

$$g^{(k)} = \text{particular}(s_k) + \text{homogeneous}(\mathbb{H})$$

subject to

- regularity in the interior
- asymptotically AdS boundary conditions

▶ (coordinate choice for g)

Computation at first order

- To solve the equations to first order we need to ensure conservation of the perfect fluid stress tensor

$$\partial_\mu T_{(0)}^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

which needs to be solved only locally (at say $x^\mu = 0$).

- This can be used to eliminate derivatives of $T^{(0)}$ in terms of those of $u_i^{(0)}$.

$$\partial_\nu (\pi T^{(0)})^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \partial_i u_i^{(0)}, \quad \partial_i (\pi T^{(0)})^{-1} = \partial_\nu u_i^{(0)}$$

- Then we solve $\mathbb{H}g^{(1)} = s_1$ where the operators and sources are given as follows:

Computation at first order

The operator \mathbb{H} : Useful to decompose metric perturbations into $SO(3)$ representations: scalars **1**, vectors **3** and symmetric traceless tensors **5**. For instance, we find:

$$\mathbb{H}_3 \# = \frac{d}{dr} \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \frac{d}{dr} \# \right)$$

$$\mathbb{H}_5 \# = \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^5 f(r) \frac{d}{dr} \# \right)$$

The source terms: These differ at various orders in perturbation theory. At first order:

$$s_1^3 = -\frac{3}{r^2} \partial_\nu u_i^{(0)}$$

$$s_1^5 = -6 r^2 \sigma_{ij}^{(0)}$$

Explicit solution to first order

Bulk metric:

$$ds^2 = -2 u_\mu dx^\mu dr + r^2 (\eta_{\mu\nu} + [1 - f(r/\pi T)] u_\mu u_\nu) dx^\mu dx^\nu + 2r \left[\frac{r}{\pi T} F(r/\pi T) \sigma_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3} u_\mu u_\nu \partial_\lambda u^\lambda - \frac{1}{2} u^\lambda \partial_\lambda (u_\nu u_\mu) \right] dx^\mu dx^\nu,$$

with

$$F(r) = \int_r^\infty dx \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{x(x+1)(x^2+1)} = \frac{1}{4} \left[\ln \left(\frac{(1+r)^2(1+r^2)}{r^4} \right) - 2 \arctan(r) + \pi \right]$$

Boundary stress tensor:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \pi^4 T^4 (4 u^\mu u^\nu + \eta^{\mu\nu}) - 2 \pi^3 T^3 \sigma^{\mu\nu}.$$

Note: $\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$ in agreement with well-known results.

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The d -dimensional conformal fluid from AdS_{d+1}

Similar procedure can be implemented at any order.

Generalizing to d dimensions and bdy metric $\gamma_{\mu\nu}$ [cf. 0809.4272], to second order:

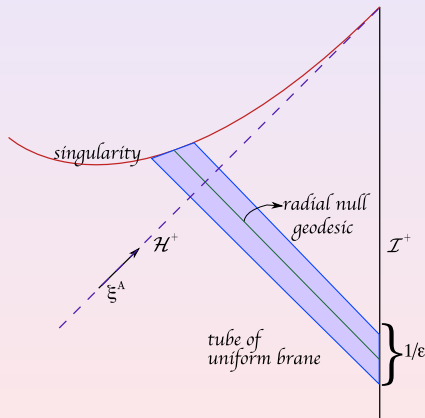
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 & + 2\eta b \left[u^\lambda \mathcal{D}_\lambda \sigma_{\mu\nu} + \sigma_\mu{}^\lambda \sigma_{\lambda\nu} - \frac{\sigma_{\alpha\beta} \sigma^{\alpha\beta}}{d-1} P_{\mu\nu} + C_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} u^\alpha u^\beta \right]
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

$$\text{with } b \equiv \frac{d}{4\pi T} \quad ; \quad P = \frac{1}{16\pi G_{\text{AdS}} b^d} \quad ;$$

$$\eta = \frac{s}{4\pi} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_{\text{AdS}} b^{d-1}} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau_\omega = b \int_1^\infty \frac{y^{d-2} - 1}{y(y^d - 1)} dy$$

The spacetime geometry dual to fluids

The bulk solution thus constructed is tubewise approximated by a planar black hole!



Bulk causal structure; in each “tube” metric approximates uniformly boosted Schwarzschild-AdS planar black hole.

The event horizon

The background has a regular event horizon.

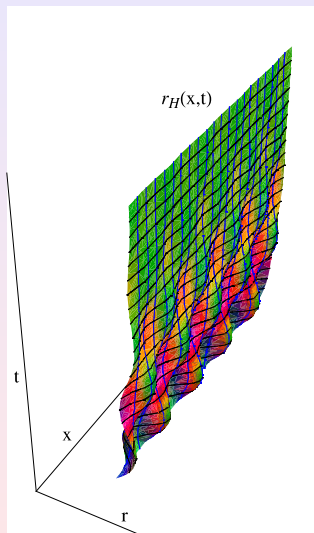
- One can determine the event horizon locally using the fact that the solution settles down at late times to a uniformly boosted planar black hole.
- The horizon location can be determined within the perturbation scheme

$$r = r_H(x) = \pi T(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \epsilon^k r_{(k)}(x)$$

- In fact, $r_{(k)}(x)$ is determined algebraically by demanding that the surface given by $r = r_H(x)$ be null.

▶ simpler analogy

Cartoon of the event horizon



Note:

- Horizon is null everywhere
- Late time approach to uniform planar black hole
- Horizon area increases

The Entropy current

- Given a bulk geometry with a horizon we can determine the Bekenstein-Hawking entropy.
- Bulk construction of entropy: using area-form A of spatial slices of the event horizon in Planck units.

Fluid entropy current

The area-form A on event horizon can be pulled back to the boundary to define a fluid entropy current J_S^μ

$$J_S = *_\eta A$$

with non-negative divergence

$$\partial_\mu J_S^\mu \geq 0$$

Properties of Entropy current

- The bulk-boundary pull-back is facilitated by our coordinates: pull-back along radial ingoing geodesics (const r)

$$x^\mu(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow x^\mu(\text{bdy})$$

- Fluid entropy current consistent with second law and equations of motion naively* has a 5 parameter ambiguity
[▶ details](#)
- Bulk construction of entropy current is also ambiguous:
 - (i) ability to add total derivative terms without changing area
 - (ii) pull-back is ambiguous to boundary diffeomorphisms.At second order this results in a two parameter ambiguity for Weyl covariant current with positive divergence.

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Summary

- \exists a map between conformal fluid configurations on $\mathbb{R}^{d-1,1}$ & regular asymp. AdS_{d+1} planar non-uniform black holes
 \Rightarrow gain insight into *generic* behaviour of gravity
- Bulk spacetime solutions
 - naturally uphold Cosmic Censorship
 - imply a new variant of Uniqueness Theorem
- Long-wavelength regime of fluid dynamics allows this construction to any order in a boundary derivative expansion.
- This yields *local* determination of the event horizon.
- The solutions satisfy the Area increase theorem & corresponding entropy current satisfies the 2^{nd} law.
- Recovered the well-known value of viscosity: $\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{1}{4\pi}$
- Predicted second order transport coefficients, characterising our CFT fluid.

Generalizations

- other dimensions

(cf. Van Raamsdonk; Haack, Yarom; Bhattacharyya, Loganayagam, Mandal, Minwalla, Sharma)

- fluids on curved manifolds

(Cf. Bhattacharyya, Loganayagam, Minwalla, Nampuri, Trivedi, Wadia)

- include matter

(richer dynamics, but at expense of losing universality)

- dilaton (\rightarrow induces forcing)

(cf. Bhattacharyya, Loganayagam, Minwalla, Nampuri, Trivedi, Wadia)

- Maxwell U(1) field (\rightarrow extra conserved charge)

(cf. Erdmenger, Haack, Kaminski, Yarom; Banerjee, Bhattacharya, Bhattacharyya, Dutta, Loganayagam, Surowka; Hur, Kim, Sin)

- 3 Maxwell fields + 3 scalars (cf. Torabian, Yee)

- magnetic and dyonic charges (cf. Hansen, Kraus; Caldarelli, Dias, Klemm)

- non-conformal fluids

(cf. Kanitscheider, Skenderis; David, Mahato, Wadia)

- non-relativistic fluids

(cf. Rangamani, Ross, Son, Thompson; Bhattacharyya, Minwalla, Wadia)

Puzzles & future directions

- Role of non-long-wavelength bulk semiclassical solutions
- More detailed bulk analysis: horizon topology, nature of curvature singularity, Cosmic Censorship
- \exists striking difference between turbulence in 3+1 and 2+1 nonrelativistic fluids (eg. inverse cascade)
 $\xrightarrow{?}$ qualitative difference in gravitational dynamics (eg. equilibration time of AdS_4 vs. AdS_5 BHs)
- Relation to the black hole Membrane Paradigm
- Generalizations: extremal fluids (superfluids), confining theories (domain walls), ...
- Finite N effects
- Gravity dual of turbulence

Van Raamsdonk

▶ comments

Boosted Schwarzschild-AdS black hole

- Static Schwarzschild-AdS black hole in planar limit:

$$ds^2 = r^2 \left(-f(r) dt^2 + \sum_i (dx^i)^2 \right) + \frac{dr^2}{r^2 f(r)}$$

with $f(r) = 1 - \frac{r_+^4}{r^4}$. (\rightsquigarrow temperature $T = r_+/\pi$.)

- To avoid coordinate singularity at the horizon $r = r_+$, use ingoing coordinates: $v = t + r_*$ where $dr_* = \frac{dr}{r^2 f(r)}$:

$$ds^2 = -r^2 f(r) dv^2 + 2 dv dr + r^2 \sum_i (dx^i)^2$$

- Now 'covariantize' by boosting: $v \rightarrow u_\mu x^\mu$, $x_i \rightarrow P_{i\mu} x^\mu$.

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Choice of coordinates

For dealing with regularity issues etc., it is simplest to work in an analog of ingoing Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates.

$$ds^2 = -2 u_\mu(x) \mathcal{S}(r, x) dr dx^\mu + \chi_{\mu\nu}(r, x) dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

- The choice of coordinates is such that $x^\mu = \text{constant}$ are ingoing null geodesics.
- It is well adapted to discuss features of horizon, such as entropy in the fluid language.

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Event horizon in Vaidya-AdS

Vaidya = spher. sym. black hole with ingoing null matter:

$$ds^2 = - \left(1 - \frac{2 m(v)}{r} \right) dv^2 + 2 dv dr + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

- suppose horizon is at $r = r_H(v)$
- normal $n = dr - \dot{r} dv$ is null when

$$r_H(v) = 2 m(v) + 2 r_H(v) \dot{r}_H(v)$$

- Exact solution gives horizon *non-locally* in terms of $m(v)$.
- But for $m(v)$ slowly varying, $\dot{m}(v) = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$, $m \ddot{m} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$, use ansatz

$$r_H = 2 m + a m \dot{m} + b m \dot{m}^2 + c m^2 \ddot{m} + \dots$$

- Iterative solution gives $a = 8$, $b = 64$, $c = 32$, ...

Expression for entropy current

The gravitational entropy current:

$$\begin{aligned}(4\pi\eta)^{-1} J_S^\mu &= \left[1 + b^2 \left(A_1 \sigma_{\alpha\beta} \sigma^{\alpha\beta} + A_2 \omega_{\alpha\beta} \omega^{\alpha\beta} + A_3 \mathcal{R} \right) \right] u^\mu \\ &\quad + b^2 \left[B_1 \mathcal{D}_\lambda \sigma^{\mu\lambda} + B_2 \mathcal{D}_\lambda \omega^{\mu\lambda} \right] \\ &\quad + C_1 b \ell^\mu + C_2 b^2 u^\lambda \mathcal{D}_\lambda \ell^\mu + \dots\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}A_1 &= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{\pi}{16} + \frac{\ln 2}{4}; & A_2 &= -\frac{1}{8}; & A_3 &= \frac{1}{8} \\ B_1 &= \frac{1}{4}; & B_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \\ C_1 &= C_2 = 0\end{aligned}$$

Divergence of entropy current

Entropy current:

$$(4\pi\eta)^{-1} J_S^\mu = \left[1 + b^2 \left(A_1 \sigma_{\alpha\beta} \sigma^{\alpha\beta} + A_2 \omega_{\alpha\beta} \omega^{\alpha\beta} + A_3 \mathcal{R} \right) \right] u^\mu \\ + b^2 \left[B_1 \mathcal{D}_\lambda \sigma^{\mu\lambda} + B_2 \mathcal{D}_\lambda \omega^{\mu\lambda} \right] \\ + C_1 b \ell^\mu + C_2 b^2 u^\lambda \mathcal{D}_\lambda \ell^\mu + \dots$$

Divergence of entropy current:

$$4 G_N^{(5)} b^3 \mathcal{D}_\mu J_S^\mu = \frac{b}{2} \left[\sigma_{\mu\nu} + b \left(2A_1 + 4A_3 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \ln 2 \right) u^\lambda \mathcal{D}_\lambda \sigma^{\mu\nu} \right. \\ \left. + 4b(A_2 + A_3) \omega^{\mu\alpha} \omega_{\alpha}{}^\nu + b \left(4A_3 - \frac{1}{2} \right) (\sigma^{\mu\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha}{}^\nu) + b C_2 \mathcal{D}^\mu \ell^\nu \right]^2 \\ + (B_1 - 2A_3) b^2 \mathcal{D}_\mu \mathcal{D}_\lambda \sigma^{\mu\lambda} + (C_1 + C_2) b^2 \ell_\mu \mathcal{D}_\lambda \sigma^{\mu\lambda} + \dots$$

Non-negativity of divergence: $\mathcal{D}_\mu J_S^\mu \geq 0$ (when $\sigma^{\mu\nu} = 0$) demands

$$B_1 = 2A_3, \quad C_1 + C_2 = 0$$

Horizon physics described by fluid dynamics...

Where does the fluid live?

- On the event horizon?
(null hypersurface, defined globally...)
- On the dynamical horizon? Gourgoulhon & Jaramillo
(spacelike hypersurface)
- On the stretched horizon? (a la [Membrane Paradigm](#))

Membrane Paradigm

Thorne, Macdonald, Price

Horizon interpreted as a fluid membrane with certain dissipative properties: (e.g. electrical conductivity, shear & bulk viscosity, etc.)

- On the spacetime boundary. ([AdS/CFT](#))
Fluid dynamics describes the full spacetime, not just horizon.

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Weyl covariant formalism

Consider conformal transformations of metric and fluid variables:

$$g_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\phi(x)} \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} \quad , \quad u_\mu = e^{\phi(x)} \tilde{u}_\mu \quad , \quad T = e^{-\phi(x)} \tilde{T} \quad (2)$$

To construct Weyl-covariant derivative, use the 'gauge field'

$$\mathcal{A}_\nu \equiv u^\lambda \nabla_\lambda u_\nu - \frac{\nabla_\lambda u^\lambda}{d-1} u_\nu = \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_\nu + \partial_\nu \phi. \quad (3)$$

Then for tensor $Q_{\nu\dots}^{\mu\dots}$ of weight w

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_\lambda Q_{\nu\dots}^{\mu\dots} &\equiv \nabla_\lambda Q_{\nu\dots}^{\mu\dots} + w \mathcal{A}_\lambda Q_{\nu\dots}^{\mu\dots} \\ &+ [\mathcal{g}_{\lambda\alpha} \mathcal{A}^\mu - \delta_\lambda^\mu \mathcal{A}_\alpha - \delta_\alpha^\mu \mathcal{A}_\lambda] Q_{\nu\dots}^{\alpha\dots} + \dots \\ &- [\mathcal{g}_{\lambda\nu} \mathcal{A}^\alpha - \delta_\lambda^\alpha \mathcal{A}_\nu - \delta_\nu^\alpha \mathcal{A}_\lambda] Q_{\alpha\dots}^{\mu\dots} - \dots \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

is also Weyl-covariant with weight w .

Loganayagam

Kerr-AdS BH in fluid variables

Weyl-covariant formalism allows to express rotating AdS black holes more elegantly and intuitively in fluid variables:

$$ds^2 = -2u_\mu dx^\mu (dr + r \mathcal{A}_\nu dx^\nu) + [r^2 g_{\mu\nu} + u_{(\mu} \mathcal{S}_{\nu)\lambda} u^\lambda - \omega_\mu^\lambda \omega_{\lambda\nu}] dx^\mu dx^\nu + \frac{r^2 u_\mu u_\nu}{b^d \det[r \delta_\nu^\mu - \omega^\mu{}_\nu]} dx^\mu dx^\nu \quad (5)$$

with

$$\mathcal{A}_\nu \equiv u^\lambda \nabla_\lambda u_\nu - \frac{\nabla_\lambda u^\lambda}{d-1} u_\nu \quad (6)$$

and Weyl-covariantized Schouten tensor

$$\mathcal{S}_{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{1}{d-2} \left(\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\mathcal{R} g_{\mu\nu}}{2(d-1)} \right) \quad (7)$$