

Syllabus for learning seminar on Black Hole thermodynamics

Goal

To gain an up-to-date understanding about the field of Black Hole thermodynamics.

Plan

1. Week 1-2: The four Laws of Black Hole mechanics: Bardeen-Carter-Hawking [2]. Area Theorem[6]. Wald Review [16]
2. Week 3: Black Hole entropy from microstates counting [12]
3. Week 4-5: Hawking Radiation [7] and Unruh effect [13]. Also [15, chapter 5, 6, 7].
4. Week 6-7: Information Paradox [5], Page curve [11], Unruh-Wald information loss[14], Mathur review [10]
5. Week 8-11: Holographic principle and AdS/CFT. Maldacena [9], Witten [17]
6. Week 12-14: Quantum Information theory and Entanglement entropy. Witten note [18]. Replica Trick[3], Replica Wormhole [1], Casini-Huerta note [4]
7. Week 15-16: JT/SYK. Kitaev Lecture [8]

Other resources

- MIT open course by Hong Liu: https://ocw.mit.edu/courses/8-821-string-theory-and-holographic-duality-f/video_galleries/video-lectures/
- Recorded lecture by Tom Hartman <http://www.hartmanhep.net/topics2021/>
- Recorded lecture by Edward Witten <https://phy.princeton.edu/academics/graduate-program/graduate-course-r>
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