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Boosted quantum black hole and black string in M-theory, and quantum correction to Gregory-Laflamme instability

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ABSTRACT: We take into account higher derivative R^4 corrections in M-theory and construct quantum black hole and black string solutions in 11 dimensions up to the next leading order. The quantum black string is stretching along the 11th direction and the Gregory-Laflamme instability is examined at the quantum level. Thermodynamics of the boosted quantum black hole and black string are also discussed. Especially we take the near horizon limit of the quantum black string and investigate its instability quantitatively.

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1 Introduction

One of challenging problems in theoretical physics is to reveal the nature of the quantum gravity. Especially the superstring theory is a good candidate for the quantum gravity in which properties of black holes have been studied enormously. In this paper we will study the quantum aspects of the black hole and the black string in superstring theory and M-theory.

The type IIA superstring theory is perturbatively defined in 10 dimensions, and its low energy limit is described by the type IIA supergravity. This theory contains black hole solution which possesses $SO(9)$ rotation symmetry. Interestingly the strong coupling limit of the type IIA superstring theory is believed to be described by 11 dimensional M-theory [1, 2]. The 11th direction is compactified on a circle and its radius is proportional to the string coupling constant. The low energy limit of the M-theory is approximated by the 11 dimensional supergravity [3], and it contains black hole solution which has $SO(10)$ rotation symmetry. Since the type IIA supergravity is obtained by Kaluza-Klein reduction

of the 11 dimensional supergravity [4], the 10 dimensional black hole with $SO(9)$ symmetry is identified with a 11 dimensional black string which is stretching along the 11th direction.

The black string is stable against perturbation when the radius of the compactified circle is small. However, as we enlarge the circle, it becomes unstable at the critical radius and starts to transit to the black hole [5]. This phenomenon is called Gregory-Laflamme instability and has been studied since 1993 [6]. In 2000, the fate of this instability is analyzed and the existence of non-uniform black string is discussed in ref. [7]. After this work, there appeared several analytic studies and numerical simulations in order to resolve the final state of the unstable black string [8]–[14]. These show that, beyond the critical radius, the black string transit into the non-uniform string and finally pinch off. It is also revealed that the fate of the unstable black string depends on the dimension of the spacetime and boost parameter [15, 16]. Comprehensive reviews on the Gregory-Laflamme instabilities are collected in the book [17].

In this paper we focus on the black string solution in 11 dimensions and examine its instability. Especially, since the superstring theory and M-theory contain quantum corrections to the supergravity [18]–[21], it is natural to study quantum corrections to the Gregory-Laflamme instability. This is one of the main purpose of this paper, and we take into account R^4 corrections to the 11 dimensional supergravity [22, 23]. These corrections corresponds to the leading 1-loop corrections in the type IIA superstring theory, and supersymmetric completions of these terms are discussed in refs. [24]–[30]. In this paper we briefly review the structure of the R^4 corrections in M-theory, and solve equations of motion for the configurations of the black hole and the black string. We will call these solutions quantum black hole and quantum black string, respectively. See refs. [31–33] for the related works on this topic.

Another important task of this paper is to consider the Lorentz boost of the quantum black string. In the case of classical black string, it is known that its instability highly depends on the boost parameter [16]. Similarly we will see that the thermodynamics of the quantum black string changes and the its transition point is also modified due to the boost parameter. We also investigate the near horizon limit of the boosted quantum black string, which corresponds to that of the nonextremal quantum black 0-brane.

Organization of this paper is as follows. In section 2, we review the higher derivative corrections in M-theory, and derive equations of motion. We consider the quantum corrections to the black hole and the black string and discuss the instability from entropic arguments. In section 3, we boost the quantum black hole and black string, and examine the Gregory-Laflamme instability. In section 4, the near horizon limit of the quantum black string is investigated. Section 5 is devoted to the summary of this paper and future works. Technical calculations on both quantum black hole and black string are explicitly shown in appendices A and B.

2 Quantum black hole and black string in M-theory

2.1 Brief review of higher derivative corrections in M-theory

M-theory is defined as a strong coupling limit of type IIA superstring theory, and it is well approximated by 11 dimensional supergravity in the low energy limit. Classical solutions

of 11 dimensional supergravity play important roles to reveal the structure of the M-theory. In this section, we consider black hole and black string solutions in 11 dimensions. These are quite simple and it is possible to discuss leading quantum corrections to them.

It is known that the leading correction comes from R^4 terms [22, 23]. The bosonic part of the M-theory effective action which is relevant to the graviton is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{11} &= \frac{1}{2\kappa_{11}^2} \int d^{11}x e \left\{ R + \gamma \left(t_8 t_8 R^4 - \frac{1}{4!} \epsilon_{11} \epsilon_{11} R^4 \right) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\kappa_{11}^2} \int d^{11}x e \left\{ R + 24\gamma (R_{abcd} R_{abcd} R_{efgh} R_{efgh} - 64 R_{abcd} R_{aefg} R_{bcdh} R_{efgh} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2 R_{abcd} R_{abef} R_{cdgh} R_{efgh} + 16 R_{acbd} R_{aebf} R_{cgdh} R_{efgh} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - 16 R_{abcd} R_{aefg} R_{befh} R_{cdgh} - 16 R_{abcd} R_{aefg} R_{bfch} R_{cdgh} \right\}, \tag{2.1}
 \end{aligned}$$

where $a, b, c, \dots = 0, 1, \dots, 10$ are local Lorentz indices. In this action, the expansion parameter is expressed in terms of the 11 dimensional Planck length as

$$\gamma = \frac{\pi^2 \ell_p^6}{2^{11} 3^2}. \tag{2.2}$$

In eq. (2.1) pairs of indices are lowered for simplicity, but of course they should be contracted by the flat metric. Note that the above action preserves local supersymmetry, and fermionic terms are given in refs. [27]–[30]. Note also that $\gamma \sim g_s^2 \ell_s^6$, so if we reduce the effective action (2.1) into 10 dimensions, it corresponds to 1-loop quantum correction to the type IIA supergravity.

By varying the effective action (2.1) with respect to the vielbein, we obtain equations of motion,

$$E_{ij} \equiv R_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} \eta_{ij} R + \gamma \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \eta_{ij} \left(t_8 t_8 R^4 - \frac{1}{4!} \epsilon_{11} \epsilon_{11} R^4 \right) + R_{abci} X^{abc}{}_j - 2 D_{(a} D_{b)} X^a{}_{ij} \right\} = 0, \tag{2.3}$$

up to the linear order of γ . Here D_a is a covariant derivative for local Lorentz indices and X_{abcd} is defined as

$$X_{abcd} = \frac{1}{2} \left(X'_{[ab][cd]} + X'_{[cd][ab]} \right), \tag{2.4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X'_{abcd} &= 96 (R_{abcd} R_{efgh} R_{efgh} - 16 R_{abce} R_{dfgh} R_{efgh} + 2 R_{abef} R_{cdgh} R_{efgh} + 16 R_{aecg} R_{bfch} R_{efgh} \\
 &\quad - 16 R_{abeg} R_{cfch} R_{dfgh} - 16 R_{efag} R_{efch} R_{gbhd} + 8 R_{abef} R_{cegh} R_{dfgh}).
 \end{aligned}$$

It is not obvious but possible to check that $R_{abci} X^{abc}{}_j = R_{abcj} X^{abc}{}_i$, hence E_{ij} is a symmetric tensor. The explicit derivation of eq. (2.3) can be found in ref. [34].

2.2 Quantum black hole

First we briefly review Schwarzschild black hole solution in 11 dimensional supergravity. The metric of the black hole is given by

$$ds_h^2 = -A dt^2 + A^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_9^2, \quad A = 1 - \frac{r_h^8}{r^8}, \tag{2.5}$$

and the event horizon r_{horizon} is located at $r_{\text{horizon}} = r_h$. From standard calculations, ADM mass and entropy of the black hole are evaluated as

$$M_h = \frac{9V_{S^9}r_h^8}{2\kappa_{11}^2}, \quad S_h = \frac{4\pi V_{S^9}r_h^9}{2\kappa_{11}^2}. \quad (2.6)$$

Here $2\kappa_{11}^2 = (2\pi)^8 \ell_p^9$ and ℓ_p is the Planck length in 11 dimensions.¹ $V_{S^9} = \frac{\pi^5}{12}$ is the volume of the 9 dimensional unit sphere.

Next let us take into account the quantum correction to the black hole by solving the eq. (2.3) up to the linear order of γ . The leading part of the metric (2.5) itself is not a solution of the eq. (2.3), so we should relax the ansatz. Most general static ansatz with SO(10) rotation symmetry is given by

$$ds_h^2 = -B_1^{-1}A_1 dt^2 + A_1^{-1}dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_9^2, \quad (2.7)$$

$$A_1 = 1 - \frac{r_h^8}{r^8} + \frac{\gamma}{r_h^6} a_1 \left(\frac{r}{r_h} \right), \quad B_1 = 1 + \frac{\gamma}{r_h^6} b_1 \left(\frac{r}{r_h} \right).$$

In order to make the equations of motion simple, we introduce following dimensionless coordinates, $\tau = \frac{t}{r_h}$, $x = \frac{r}{r_h}$, and insert the ansatz (2.7) into the eq. (2.3). Then the equations of motion become

$$E_1 = -x^{39}a_1' - 8x^{38}a_1 - 9299558400x^8 + 10492093440 = 0,$$

$$E_2 = x^{39}a_1' + 8x^{38}a_1 + x^{31}(1-x^8)b_1' - 312729600x^8 - 879805440 = 0, \quad (2.8)$$

$$E_3 = x^{40}a_1'' + 16x^{39}a_1' + 56x^{38}a_1 + x^{32}(1-x^8)b_1'' - 4x^{31}(1+2x^8)b_1'$$

$$+ 7192780800x^8 - 11175183360 = 0,$$

where the prime represents the derivative with respect to x . By solving $E_1 = E_2 = 0$ with requiring asymptotic flatness, we obtain

$$a_1(x) = -\frac{349736448}{x^{38}} + \frac{422707200}{x^{30}} + \frac{c_h}{x^8},$$

$$b_1(x) = \frac{320409600}{x^{30}}, \quad (2.9)$$

where c_h is an integral constant. From this we see that the quantum corrections become important when $r < r_h$ or $1 \ll \frac{\gamma}{r_h^6}$. Notice that c_h can be absorbed by the redefinition of r_h like

$$r_h^8 - \gamma c_h r_h^2 \rightarrow r_h^8, \quad (2.10)$$

up to linear order of γ . So physical quantities do not depend on c_h at this order.² The remaining equation $E_3 = 0$ is trivially satisfied by inserting eq. (2.9). The plots of $A_1(x)$ are shown in appendix A.2.

¹By using string length ℓ_s and string coupling constant g_s , the Planck length is expressed as $\ell_p = \ell_s g_s^{1/3}$.

² $r_h^8 - \gamma c_h r_h^2 > 0$ is required since the mass (2.14) should be positive.

Now we call the metric of eq. (2.7) with eq. (2.9) the quantum black hole. Let us investigate the thermodynamics of the quantum black hole. The event horizon is located at $r_{\text{horizon}} = r_h - \frac{\gamma}{8r_h^3}a_1(1)$ up to the linear order of γ , and the temperature is given by

$$\begin{aligned} T_h &= \frac{1}{4\pi} B_1^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dA_1}{dr} \Big|_{r_{\text{horizon}}} \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi r_h} \left\{ 1 + \gamma \left(\frac{9}{8}a_1(1) + \frac{1}{8}a_1'(1) - \frac{1}{2}b_1(1) \right) \frac{1}{r_h^6} \right\} \equiv \frac{2}{\pi} \bar{T}_h. \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

By solving the above equation inversely, r_h is expressed as

$$r_h = \frac{1}{\bar{T}_h} \left\{ 1 + \gamma \left(\frac{9}{8}a_1(1) + \frac{1}{8}a_1'(1) - \frac{1}{2}b_1(1) \right) \bar{T}_h^6 \right\}, \quad (2.12)$$

and from this relation, physical quantities can be expressed in terms of the temperature up to the linear order of γ . For instance, the location of the event horizon is evaluated as

$$\begin{aligned} r_{\text{horizon}} &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_h} \left\{ 1 + \gamma \left(a_1(1) + \frac{1}{8}a_1'(1) - \frac{1}{2}b_1(1) \right) \bar{T}_h^6 \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_h} (1 - 11137920\gamma\bar{T}_h^6). \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

This reveals that the position of the event horizon slightly moves inward due to the quantum correction, and its value does not depend on c_h .

The ADM mass M_h is calculated as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2\kappa_{11}^2}{9V_{S^9}} M_h &= r_h^8 \left(1 - \gamma \frac{c_h}{r_h^6} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_h^8} \left\{ 1 + \gamma (9a_1(1) + a_1'(1) - 4b_1(1) - c_h) \bar{T}_h^6 \right\}, \\ &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_h^8} (1 - 16132608\gamma\bar{T}_h^6) \equiv \bar{M}_h. \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

Note that although the effective action (2.1) contains the higher derivative terms, the expression of the ADM mass formula does not [35]. The above correction just enters through $\frac{c_h}{x^8}$ term in $a_1(x)$ and r_h in eq. (2.12). On the other hand, the area law of the entropy is modified by the higher derivative corrections [36, 37], and the black hole entropy S_h is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2\kappa_{11}^2}{4\pi V_{S^9}} S_h &= r_{\text{horizon}}^9 (1 - 2\gamma X_{0101}|_{x=1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_h^9} (1 - 12099456\gamma\bar{T}_h^6) \\ &= \bar{M}_h^{9/8} \left(1 + 6049728\gamma\bar{M}_h^{-3/4} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

As explained before, r_{horizon} , M_h and S_h are written in terms of T_h , and do not depend on the unknown constant c_h . It is easy to see that the first law $dM_h = T_h dS_h$ holds up to the linear order of γ .

2.3 Quantum black string

In this section, we consider a black string solution which is constructed by aligning 10 dimensional black hole along the 11th direction. The 11th direction is compactified on a circle and its radius is given by $R_{11} = \ell_s g_s$. In 11 dimensional supergravity, the black string solution is simply given by

$$ds_s^2 = -F dt^2 + F^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_8^2 + dz^2, \quad F = 1 - \frac{r_s^7}{r^7}. \quad (2.16)$$

The ADM mass and the entropy are calculated as

$$M_s = \frac{8V_{S^8} r_s^7}{2\kappa_{10}^2}, \quad S_s = \frac{4\pi V_{S^8} r_s^8}{2\kappa_{10}^2}, \quad (2.17)$$

where $V_{S^8} = \frac{2^5 \pi^4}{105}$ is the volume of the 8 dimensional unit sphere, and $2\kappa_{10}^2 = 2\kappa_{11}^2 / (2\pi R_{11})$. These expressions simply show that the 11 dimensional black string corresponds to the 10 dimensional black hole after the dimensional reduction.

Now we take into account the quantum corrections to the black string. Since the metric does not satisfy the equations of motion (2.3), we relax the ansatz as follows.

$$ds_s^2 = -G_1^{-1} F_1 dt^2 + F_1^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_8^2 + G_2 dz^2, \quad (2.18)$$

$$F_1 = 1 - \frac{r_s^7}{r^7} + \frac{\gamma}{r_s^6} f_1 \left(\frac{r}{r_s} \right), \quad G_i = 1 + \frac{\gamma}{r_s^6} g_i \left(\frac{r}{r_s} \right).$$

This is the most general ansatz which preserves SO(9) rotation symmetry. In order to make the equations of motion simple, we introduce dimensionless coordinates, $\tau = \frac{t}{r_h}$, $x = \frac{r}{r_h}$, $y = \frac{z}{r_h}$, and insert the ansatz (2.18) into eq. (2.3). Then the equations of motion become

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= -16x^{35} f_1' - 112x^{34} f_1 + 2x^{29}(1-x^7)g_2'' + x^{28}(9-16x^7)g_2' \\ &\quad - 63402393600x^7 + 71292856320 = 0, \\ E_2 &= 16x^{35} f_1' + 112x^{34} f_1 + 16x^{28}(1-x^7)g_1' - x^{28}(9-16x^7)g_2' \\ &\quad - 2159861760x^7 - 5730600960 = 0, \\ E_3 &= 2x^{36} f_1'' + 28x^{35} f_1' + 84x^{34} f_1 + 2x^{29}(1-x^7)g_1'' - 7x^{28}(1+2x^7)g_1' \\ &\quad - 2x^{29}(1-x^7)g_2'' + 14x^{35} g_2' + 5669637120x^7 - 8626383360 = 0, \\ E_4 &= 2x^{36} f_1'' + 32x^{35} f_1' + 112x^{34} f_1 + 2x^{29}(1-x^7)g_1'' - x^{28}(5+16x^7)g_1' \\ &\quad - 1062512640 = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.19)$$

By solving the equations of motion (2.3) up to the linear order of γ , the functions f_1 and

$g_i (i = 1, 2)$ are explicitly solved as

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_1(x) &= -\frac{1208170880}{9x^{34}} + \frac{161405664}{x^{27}} + \frac{5738880}{13x^{20}} + \frac{956480}{x^{13}} + \frac{c_s}{x^7} + \frac{819840}{x^7}I(x), \\
 g_1(x) &= \frac{1035722240}{9x^{27}} + \frac{1721664}{x^{20}} + \frac{22955520}{13x^{13}} + \frac{1912960}{x^6} - 1639680\frac{x-1}{x^7-1} + 234240I(x), \\
 g_2(x) &= -\frac{94330880}{9x^{27}} + \frac{655872}{x^{20}} + \frac{13117440}{13x^{13}} + \frac{2186240}{x^6} + 1873920I(x).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.20}$$

Here c_s is an integral constant. The details of the derivation and an explicit form of $I(x)$ can be found in appendix B.2. There other integral constants are set to be zero so that the geometry becomes asymptotically flat. Notice that c_s can be absorbed by the redefinition of r_s up to the linear order of γ , so physical quantities do not depend on c_s .

Let us investigate the thermodynamics of the quantum black string. The event horizon is located at $r_{\text{horizon}} = r_s - \frac{\gamma}{7r_s^5}f_1(1)$, and the temperature is evaluated as

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_s &= \frac{1}{4\pi}G_1^{-\frac{1}{2}}\left.\frac{dF_1}{dr}\right|_{r_{\text{horizon}}} \\
 &= \frac{7}{4\pi r_s} \left\{ 1 + \gamma \left(\frac{8}{7}f_1(1) + \frac{1}{7}f_1'(1) - \frac{1}{2}g_1(1) \right) \frac{1}{r_s^6} \right\} \equiv \frac{7}{4\pi}\bar{T}_s.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.21}$$

By solving this inversely, r_s is expressed as

$$r_s = \frac{1}{\bar{T}_s} \left\{ 1 + \gamma \left(\frac{8}{7}f_1(1) + \frac{1}{7}f_1'(1) - \frac{1}{2}g_1(1) \right) \bar{T}_s^6 \right\}.
 \tag{2.22}$$

From this relation, r_s is replaced with the temperature when we calculate physical quantities up to the linear order of γ . For example, the location of the event horizon is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_{\text{horizon}} &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_s} \left\{ 1 + \gamma \left(f_1(1) + \frac{1}{7}f_1'(1) - \frac{1}{2}g_1(1) \right) \bar{T}_s^6 \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_s} \left\{ 1 - \gamma \left(\frac{587024224}{117} + 117120 I(1) \right) \bar{T}_s^6 \right\}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.23}$$

The location of the horizon moves inward and does not depends on c_s , just like the case of the quantum black hole.

The ADM mass of the black string M_s is evaluated as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{2\kappa_{10}^2}{8V_{S^8}}M_s &= r_s^7 \left(1 + \gamma \frac{1639680 - c_s}{r_s^6} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_s^7} \left\{ 1 + \gamma \left(1639680 + 8f_1(1) + f_1'(1) - \frac{7}{2}g_1(1) - c_s \right) \bar{T}_s^6 \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_s^7} (1 - 4919040\gamma\bar{T}_s^6) \equiv \bar{M}_s.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.24}$$

Note that we used $2\kappa_{10}^2 = 2\kappa_{11}^2/(2\pi R_{11})$. The mass formula itself is not modified, but the corrections in the first line enter through x^{-7} terms in $f_1(x)$ and $g_2(x)$. On the other hand,

the entropy S_s of the quantum black string receives the higher derivative corrections, and is calculated as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2\kappa_{10}^2}{4\pi V_{S^8}} S_s &= r_{\text{horizon}}^8 G_2(1)^{1/2} (1 - 2\gamma X_{0101}|_{x=1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\bar{T}_s^8} (1 - 2810880\gamma\bar{T}_s^6) \\ &= \bar{M}_s^{8/7} \left(1 + 2810880\gamma\bar{M}_s^{-6/7}\right). \end{aligned} \tag{2.25}$$

The entropy formula is affected by the higher derivative corrections. Note that r_{horizon} , M_s and S_s do not depend on c_s , and the first law of the thermodynamics $dM_s = T_s dS_s$ is satisfied up to the linear of γ .

2.4 Gregory-Laflamme instability of the quantum black string

It is known that the black string is unstable against perturbation when the size of the compactified direction is large compared to the size of the black hole. In order to give thermodynamic argument on this instability, so called Gregory-Laflamme instability, we compare S_h with S_s for the equal mass.

In terms of a dimensionless parameter $M = \ell_s M_h = \ell_s M_s$, the entropy of the quantum black hole is given by

$$S_h = 8\pi^2 \left(\frac{g_s^3 M^9}{9^9 V_{S^9}}\right)^{1/8} \left\{1 + \frac{10503}{2^{11}\pi^4} \frac{1}{g_s^4} \left(\frac{9V_{S^9} g_s^5}{M}\right)^{3/4}\right\}, \tag{2.26}$$

and that of the quantum black string is given by

$$S_s = 8\pi^2 \left(\frac{g_s^2 M^8}{8^8 V_{S^8}}\right)^{1/7} \left\{1 + \frac{305}{2^7\pi^4} \frac{1}{g_s^4} \left(\frac{8V_{S^8} g_s^5}{M}\right)^{6/7}\right\}. \tag{2.27}$$

Here we used $2\kappa_{11}^2 = 2\kappa_{10}^2(2\pi R_{11}) = (2\pi)^8 \ell_s^9 g_s^3$. The instability of the black string is estimated by comparing these two entropies. From eqs. (2.26) and (2.27), up to the linear order of γ , the ratio of the entropies is evaluated as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{S_h}{S_s} &= L \left\{1 + \frac{10503}{2^{11}\pi^4} \left(\frac{9^8 V_{S^9}}{8^8 V_{S^8}}\right)^6 \frac{L^{42}}{g_s^4} - \frac{305}{2^7\pi^4} \left(\frac{9^9 V_{S^9}}{8^9 V_{S^8}}\right)^6 \frac{L^{48}}{g_s^4}\right\} \\ &\sim L + 6.04 \frac{L^{43}}{g_s^4} - 5.69 \frac{L^{49}}{g_s^4}, \end{aligned} \tag{2.28}$$

where we defined

$$L \equiv \frac{(8^8 V_{S^8})^{1/7}}{(9^9 V_{S^9})^{1/8}} \left(\frac{g_s^5}{M}\right)^{1/56} \sim 0.984 \left(\frac{g_s^5}{M}\right)^{1/56}. \tag{2.29}$$

In the classical supergravity limit, if we increase L from zero, the Gregory-Laflamme transition from the black string to the black hole occurs at $L = 1$. By taking into account the quantum effect, the transition point also depends on the value of g_s like

$$L = 1 - \frac{0.350}{g_s^4}. \tag{2.30}$$

The plot of S_h/S_s is drawn in figure 1.

Finally let us clarify the validity of the approximation (2.28) qualitatively. So far we have analyzed the black hole and black string solutions by considering quantum corrections (2.1) in 11 dimensions. Since the 11th direction is compactified, the effective action corresponds to the type IIA superstring theory and expanded by $g_s^2 e^{2\phi}$ and ℓ_s^2 . Then we can examine the validity of eq. (2.28) by estimating the other higher derivative terms in the type IIA superstring theory, which can be done by evaluating the dilaton ϕ and the Riemann tensor R_{abcd} in 10 dimensions from eq. (2.16). From the standard relation $ds_s^2 = e^{-\frac{2}{3}\phi} ds_{10}^2 + e^{\frac{4}{3}\phi} dz^2$, we obtain

$$g_s e^\phi = g_s, \quad \ell_s^2 R_{abcd} \sim \frac{\ell_s^2}{r_h^2} \sim \ell_s^2 \bar{M}_s^{-2/7}, \quad (2.31)$$

at the horizon. Thus a generic term is estimated as

$$(g_s^2 e^{2\phi})^n (\ell_s^2 R_{abcd})^m \sim g_s^{2n} \ell_s^{2m} \bar{M}_s^{-2m/7} \sim g_s^{2n-4m/7} M^{-2m/7} \sim g_s^{2n-2m} L^{16m}. \quad (2.32)$$

It is known that the leading tree, 1-loop and $n(\geq 2)$ -loop corrections in the type IIA superstring theory become $(n, m) = (0, 3), (1, 3), (n, n+3)$, respectively [38]. So the estimations of leading tree, 1-loop and $n(\geq 2)$ -loop are given by $g_s^{-6} L^{48}$, $g_s^{-4} L^{48}$ and $g_s^{-6} L^{16n+48}$, respectively. In a similar way, from the dimensional analysis, the quantum corrections for the quantum black hole are estimated like $g_s^{2n} \ell_s^{2m} \bar{M}_h^{-m/4} \sim g_s^{2n-3m/4} M^{-m/4} \sim g_s^{2n-2m} L^{14m}$.

From the above discussions, we expect that the ratio of the entropies (2.28) is reliable when $L \leq 1$ and $1 \ll g_s^2$, if each term has a coefficient of order unity. It is interesting to note that, around the transition point $L \sim 1$, the supergravity approximation is valid when g_s goes to infinity, and quantum effects become quite important around $g_s \sim 1$.

3 Boosted quantum black hole and black string in M-theory

3.1 Boosted quantum black hole

From an observer at infinity, the quantum black hole is localized at the origin of 10 dimensional space. Now let us Lorentz boost the quantum black hole along the 11th direction. Then the observer see that the quantum black hole carries a momentum along the 11th direction.

First the mass M_h and the momentum Q_h of the boosted quantum black hole are simply given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2\kappa_{11}^2}{9V_{S^9}} M_h &= r_h^8 \cosh \eta \left(1 - \gamma \frac{c_h}{r_h^6} \right) \equiv \bar{M}_h, \\ \frac{2\kappa_{11}^2}{9V_{S^9}} Q_h &= r_h^8 \sinh \eta \left(1 - \gamma \frac{c_h}{r_h^6} \right) \equiv \bar{Q}_h, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where η is a boost parameter.³ By combining these two equations, the parameter of the quantum black hole is expressed as

$$r_h^8 \left(1 - \gamma \frac{c_h}{r_h^6} \right) = \bar{M}_h \left(1 - \frac{\bar{Q}_h^2}{\bar{M}_h^2} \right)^{1/2}. \quad (3.2)$$

³We assigned the same symbol M_h as in the section 2.2, since it would not cause any confusion.

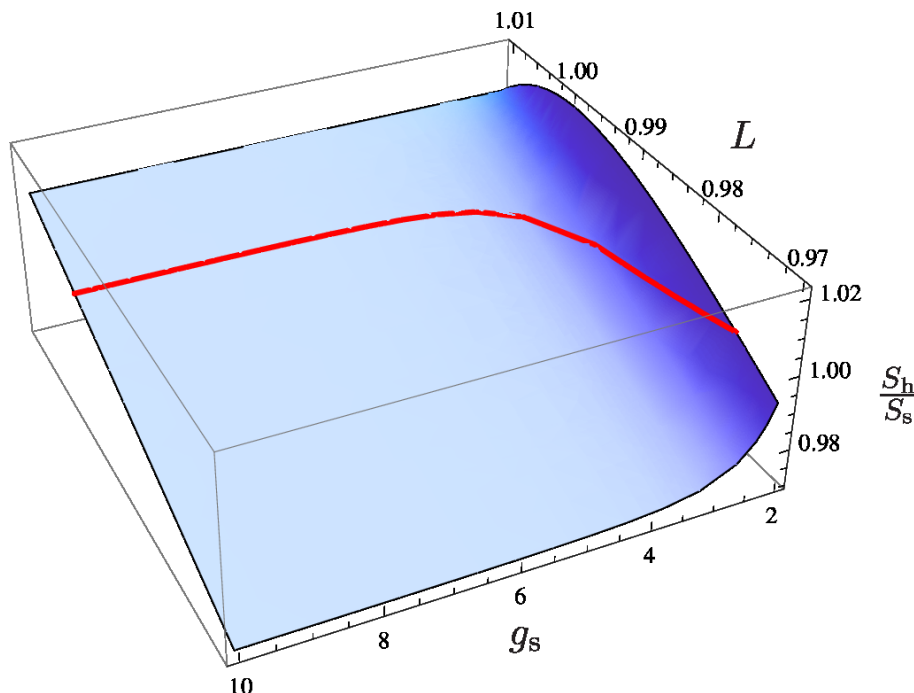


Figure 1. Plot of eq. (2.28) which is valid when $L \leq 1$. A red line correspond to $S_h = S_s$.

Next we examine the entropy of the boosted quantum black hole. It is known that the volume of the event horizon is invariant under the Lorentz boost [39]. The higher derivative term $X_{0101} = \frac{1}{4}N^{ab}N^{cd}X_{abcd}$ is invariant as well. Therefore the entropy formula is entirely invariant under the Lorentz boost and given by eq. (2.15) by replacing \bar{M}_h with the right hand side of eq. (3.2).

$$\frac{2\kappa_{11}^2}{4\pi V_{S^9}} S_h = \bar{M}_h^{9/8} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{Q}_h^2}{\bar{M}_h^2}\right)^{9/16} \left\{1 + 6049728\gamma\bar{M}_h^{-3/4} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{Q}_h^2}{\bar{M}_h^2}\right)^{-3/8}\right\}. \quad (3.3)$$

Of course, eq. (2.15) is recovered when $\bar{Q}_h = 0$.

3.2 Boosted quantum black string

Let us briefly review the Lorentz boost of the black string (2.16) along 11th direction. The boost is executed on (t, z) -plane and the metric becomes

$$\begin{aligned} ds_s^2 &= -F(\cosh \beta dt + \sinh \beta dz)^2 + (\sinh \beta dt + \cosh \beta dz)^2 + F^{-1}dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_8^2 \\ &= -H^{-1}Fdt^2 + H \left(dz + (1 - H^{-1}) \frac{\cosh \beta}{\sinh \beta} dt \right)^2 + F^{-1}dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_8^2, \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

where β is a boost parameter. Here H is defined as

$$H = 1 + \frac{r_s^7 \sinh^2 \beta}{r^7}, \quad (3.5)$$

and F is defined in eq. (2.16). This geometry corresponds to the nonextremal M-wave solution in 11 dimensional supergravity, whose mass and momentum along the 11th direction are expressed by two parameters r_s and β . We also use $\alpha^7 \equiv 1/\sinh^2 \beta$ for the boost parameter.⁴ Note that the nonextremal M-wave solution is identified with the nonextremal black 0-brane solution in 10 dimensions.

In the same way, it is possible to boost the quantum black string solution (2.18) along the 11th direction, and the metric becomes

$$\begin{aligned} ds_s^2 &= -G_1^{-1} F_1 (\cosh \beta dt + \sinh \beta dz)^2 + G_2 (\sinh \beta dt + \cosh \beta dz)^2 + F_1^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_8^2 \\ &= -H_1^{-1} F_1 dt^2 + H_2 \left(dz + \left(1 - H_2^{-\frac{1}{2}} H_3^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \frac{\cosh \beta}{\sinh \beta} dt \right)^2 + F_1^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega_8^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

Here F_1 is defined in eq. (2.18), and H_i ($i = 1, 2, 3$) are expressed in terms of F_1 , G_1 and G_2 as

$$H_1 = G_1 G_2^{-1} H_2, \quad H_2 = G_2 + (G_2 - G_1^{-1} F_1) \sinh^2 \beta, \quad H_3 = G_2^{-2} H_2. \quad (3.7)$$

Now we choose r_s and α as independent parameters. Then the above functions can be expressed up to the linear order of γ as

$$\begin{aligned} H_1 &= 1 + \frac{1}{\alpha^7 x^7} + \frac{\gamma}{r_s^6 \alpha^7} \left\{ -f_1(x) + (1 + \alpha^7) g_1(x) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{x^7} \right) g_2(x) \right\}, \\ H_2 &= 1 + \frac{1}{\alpha^7 x^7} + \frac{\gamma}{r_s^6 \alpha^7} \left\{ -f_1(x) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{x^7} \right) g_1(x) + (1 + \alpha^7) g_2(x) \right\}, \\ H_3 &= 1 + \frac{1}{\alpha^7 x^7} + \frac{\gamma}{r_s^6 \alpha^7} \left\{ -f_1(x) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{x^7} \right) g_1(x) + \left(1 - \alpha^7 - \frac{2}{x^7} \right) g_2(x) \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

where $x = \frac{r}{r_s}$. By inserting eq. (2.20) and $c_s = 3747840$ into the above, we obtain eq. (48) in ref. [35]. In that paper $c_s = 3747840$ is required so as to be consistent with the near horizon limit which will be explained in section 4. Thus the geometry (3.6) is exactly the same as that of the quantum M-wave solution in 11 dimensions. The dimensional reduction of the metric corresponds to the quantum black 0-brane solution in 10 dimensions.

Let us examine the thermodynamics of the boosted quantum black string by choosing $c_s = 3747840$. The event horizon is located at $r_{\text{horizon}} = r_s - \frac{\gamma}{7r_s} f_1(1)$, and the temperature is evaluated as

$$\begin{aligned} T_s &= \frac{1}{4\pi} H_1^{-1/2} \frac{dF_1}{dr} \Big|_{r_{\text{horizon}}} \\ &= \frac{7}{4\pi r_s} \frac{\alpha^{7/2}}{\sqrt{1 + \alpha^7}} \left\{ 1 + \gamma \left(\frac{8}{7} f_1(1) + \frac{1}{7} f_1'(1) - \frac{1}{2} g_1(1) \right) \frac{1}{r_s^6} \right\} \\ &= \frac{7}{4\pi r_s} \frac{\alpha^{7/2}}{\sqrt{1 + \alpha^7}} \left(1 - \frac{2810880\gamma}{7r_s^6} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

⁴These are related to r_{\pm} as $r_-^7 = r_s^7 \sinh^2 \beta$, $r_+^7 = r_-^7 (1 + \alpha^7) = r_s^7 \cosh^2 \beta$.

Note that $\frac{\alpha^{7/2}}{\sqrt{1+\alpha^7}} = \frac{1}{\cosh\beta}$ comes from the time dilation of the quantum black string measured by the boosted observer.

The ADM mass and the momentum of the boosted quantum black string are calculated as [35]

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2\kappa_{10}^2}{8V_{S^8}} M_s &= r_s^7 \left(1 + \frac{7}{8\alpha^7} - \frac{2108160\gamma}{r_s^6} \right) \equiv \bar{M}_s, \\ \frac{2\kappa_{10}^2}{8V_{S^8}} Q_s &= \frac{7r_s^7\sqrt{1+\alpha^7}}{8\alpha^7} \equiv \bar{Q}_s. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

The momentum does not receive any quantum correction and is equal to the charge of N D0-branes. By solving eqs. (3.10) inversely, up to the linear order of γ , the parameters α^7 and r_s^7 can be expressed as

$$\alpha^7 = \left(\frac{7p}{8} \right)^2 - 1, \quad r_s^7 = \bar{Q}_s p \left(1 - \frac{64}{49p^2} \right), \quad (3.11)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} p &= p_0 + 2108160\gamma p_1, \\ p_0 &= \frac{\bar{M}_s}{2\bar{Q}_s} \left(1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{32\bar{Q}_s^2}{49\bar{M}_s^2}} \right), \\ p_1 &= \bar{Q}_s^{-6/7} \left(1 + \frac{8}{49p_0^2} \right)^{-1} \left\{ p_0 \left(1 - \frac{64}{49p_0^2} \right) \right\}^{1/7}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

It is easy to see that $p_0 \rightarrow \infty$ and $\bar{Q}_s p_0 \rightarrow M_s$, if we take $\bar{Q}_s \rightarrow 0$.

The entropy of the boosted quantum black string is obtained by taking into account an expansion of the proper length along the 11th direction at the event horizon. From eqs. (3.6) and (3.7), the expansion rate of the proper length at the event horizon is given by $\sqrt{H_2/G_2}|_{\text{horizon}} = \sqrt{1+\alpha^7}/\alpha^{7/2}$. Thus, by multiplying this factor with eq. (2.25), we obtain the entropy of the boosted quantum black string like

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2\kappa_{10}^2}{4\pi V_{S^8}} S_s &= r_{\text{horizon}}^8 \frac{\sqrt{1+\alpha^7}}{\alpha^{7/2}} G_2(1)^{1/2} (1 - 2\gamma X_{0101}|_{x=1}) \\ &= r_s^8 \frac{\sqrt{1+\alpha^7}}{\alpha^{7/2}} \left(1 + \frac{2810880\gamma}{7r_s^6} \right) \\ &= (\bar{Q}_s p_0)^{8/7} \left(1 - \frac{64}{49p_0^2} \right)^{9/14} \left\{ 1 + 2810880\gamma (\bar{Q}_s p_0)^{-6/7} \left(1 - \frac{64}{49p_0^2} \right)^{-6/7} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

In order to derive the second line, we used $c_s = 3747840$. This satisfies the first law of the black hole thermodynamics up to the linear order of γ .

3.3 Gregory-Laflamme instability of the boosted quantum black string

The Gregory-Laflamme instability of the boosted black string is well discussed in refs. [16, 39]. In this subsection, we examine the Gregory-Laflamme instability of the boosted quantum black string. In order to compare the entropy of the boosted black hole with that of the boosted quantum black string, masses and charges should be equal respectively.

Now we set $M = \ell_s M_h = \ell_s M_s$ and $Q = \ell_s Q_h = \ell_s Q_s$, and use the relation $2\kappa_{11}^2 = 2\kappa_{10}^2(2\pi R_{11}) = (2\pi)^8 \ell_s^9 g_s^3$. Then the entropy of the boosted quantum black hole is expressed as

$$S_h = 8\pi^2 \left(\frac{g_s^3 M^9}{9^9 V_{S^9}} \right)^{1/8} \left(1 - \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \right)^{9/16} \left\{ 1 + \frac{10503}{2^{11} \pi^4} \frac{1}{g_s^4} \left(\frac{9V_{S^9} g_s^5}{M} \right)^{3/4} \left(1 - \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \right)^{-3/8} \right\}. \quad (3.14)$$

This is a generalization of eq. (2.26). In a similar way, the entropy of the boosted quantum black string is given by

$$S_s = 8\pi^2 \left(\frac{g_s^2 M^8}{8^8 V_{S^8}} \right)^{1/7} \left(\frac{Q p_0}{M} \right)^{8/7} \left(1 - \frac{64}{49 p_0^2} \right)^{9/14} \times \left\{ 1 + \frac{305}{2^7 \pi^4} \frac{1}{g_s^4} \left(\frac{8V_{S^8} g_s^5}{M} \right)^{6/7} \left(\frac{Q p_0}{M} \right)^{-6/7} \left(1 - \frac{64}{49 p_0^2} \right)^{-6/7} \right\}. \quad (3.15)$$

Here p_0 is defined in eq. (3.12) and written in terms of $\frac{Q}{M}$. This expression is a generalization of eq. (2.27), and the ration of the entropies (2.28) is also generalized as

$$\frac{S_h}{S_s} \sim L \left(1 - \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \right)^{9/16} \left(\frac{Q p_0}{M} \right)^{-8/7} \left(1 - \frac{64}{49 p_0^2} \right)^{-9/14} \times \left\{ 1 + 6.04 \frac{L^{42}}{g_s^4} \left(1 - \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \right)^{-3/8} - 5.69 \frac{L^{48}}{g_s^4} \left(\frac{Q p_0}{M} \right)^{-6/7} \left(1 - \frac{64}{49 p_0^2} \right)^{-6/7} \right\}, \quad (3.16)$$

where L is defined by eq. (2.29). The ratio of the entropies are parametrized by L , g_s and $\frac{Q}{M}$. From this equation, we can estimate the instability of the boosted quantum black string. The plot of eq. (3.16) with $\frac{Q}{M} = 0.9$ is drawn in figure 2. From the plot we see that, at transition point, the value of L for the boosted quantum black string is smaller than that of the quantum black string. It is also interesting to note that there is another transition point for $g_s < 4$, though the validity of it depends on the structure of the higher derivative terms as discussed below.

Finally let us examine the validity of eq. (3.16) by estimating the other higher derivative terms. In order to do this, we simply repeat the discussions in the section 2.4. From eq. (3.4), values of the dilaton ϕ and the Riemann tensor R_{abcd} in 10 dimensions are estimated as

$$g_s e^\phi = g_s \left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha^7} \right)^{3/4} = g_s \left(1 - \frac{64}{49 p_0^2} \right)^{-3/4},$$

$$\ell_s^2 R_{abcd} \sim \frac{\ell_s^2}{r_s^2} w_{abcd}(p_0) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha^7} \right)^{-1/2} \sim \ell_s^2 w_{abcd}(p_0) (\bar{Q}_s p_0)^{-2/7} \left(1 - \frac{64}{49 p_0^2} \right)^{3/14}, \quad (3.17)$$

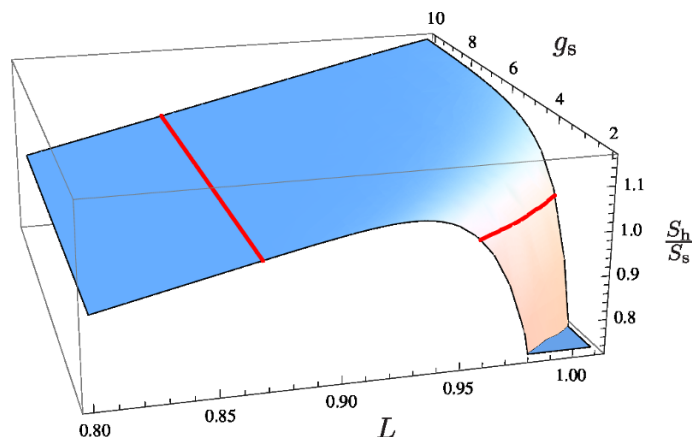


Figure 2. Plot of eq. (3.16) with $\frac{Q}{M} = 0.9$. Red lines correspond to $S_h = S_s$.

at the horizon. Here explicit form of $w_{abcd}(p_0)$ is different for each component, but becomes constant if we take $\frac{Q}{M} \rightarrow 1$. From the above a generic term is estimated as

$$\begin{aligned}
 (g_s^2 e^{2\phi})^n (\ell_s^2 R_{abcd})^m &\sim g_s^{2n} \ell_s^{2m} \bar{M}_s^{-2m/7} \left(\frac{Qp_0}{M}\right)^{-2m/7} (w_{abcd})^m \left(1 - \frac{64}{49p_0^2}\right)^{3(m-7n)/14} \\
 &\sim g_s^{2n-2m} L^{16m} (w_{abcd})^m \left(\frac{Qp_0}{M}\right)^{-2m/7} \left(1 - \frac{64}{49p_0^2}\right)^{3(m-7n)/14} \\
 &\sim g_s^{2n-2m} L^{16m},
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.18}$$

where L is defined by eq. (2.29). In the last line, we simply dropped $\frac{Q}{M}$ dependence, which deeply depends on the structure of each higher derivative term. Therefore we roughly estimate that the entropy of boosted quantum black string is valid when $L \leq 1$ and $1 \ll g_s^2$, if each higher derivative term has a coefficient of order unity. This will also be true for the boosted quantum black hole.

4 Near horizon limit of the boosted quantum black string and its instability

The gauge/gravity correspondence is a powerful tool to investigate the nonperturbative aspects of the gauge theory [40–42]. In this section we consider the near horizon limit of N D0-branes, which corresponds to the infinitely boosted ($\beta \rightarrow \infty$) quantum black string [43]. The momentum of the boost corresponds to the charge of N D0-branes, and is expressed as

$$Q_s = \frac{N}{\ell_s g_s}.
 \tag{4.1}$$

Since the boost parameter is given by $\alpha^7 = 1/\sinh^2 \beta$, the near horizon limit corresponds to $\alpha \rightarrow 0$. While taking this limit, we should fix the 't Hooft coupling λ and the energy scale U_0 of the gauge theory on N D0-branes, which are written as

$$\lambda = \frac{g_s N}{(2\pi)^2 \ell_s^3}, \quad U_0 = \frac{r_s}{\ell_s^2}.
 \tag{4.2}$$

From eqs. (3.10) and (4.1), α approaches to zero like

$$\alpha^7 \rightarrow \frac{7V_{S^8}\ell_s^4 U_0^7}{(2\pi)^9 \lambda}, \quad (4.3)$$

and ℓ_s also goes to zero in the limit.

Now we take the near horizon limit for the boosted quantum black string. First of all, Q_s is exactly given by eq. (4.1), so it is expressed in terms of ℓ_s , λ and N as

$$Q_s = \frac{N^2}{(2\pi)^2 \ell_s^4 \lambda}. \quad (4.4)$$

This approaches to the infinity by taking the near horizon limit. Next, M_s is given by eq. (3.10) and it behaves like

$$\begin{aligned} M_s &= Q_s \frac{8\alpha^7}{7\sqrt{1+\alpha^7}} \left(1 + \frac{7}{8\alpha^7} - \frac{2108160\gamma}{r_s^6} \right) \\ &\rightarrow \frac{N^2}{(2\pi)^2 \ell_s^4 \lambda} \left(1 + \frac{3\ell_s^4 U_0^7}{35(2\pi)^5 \lambda} - \frac{61\pi \ell_s^4 U_0 \lambda}{7N^2} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

By taking the near horizon limit, the leading term diverges like the charge. However, the internal energy $E_s = M_s - Q_s$ becomes finite and is given by

$$\tilde{E}_s = \frac{3N^2}{(2\pi)^7 35} \left(\tilde{U}_0^7 - \frac{9760\pi^6 \tilde{U}_0}{3N^2} \right), \quad (4.6)$$

where $\tilde{E}_s \equiv E_s/\lambda^{1/3}$ and $\tilde{U}_0 \equiv U_0/\lambda^{1/3}$. The temperature (3.9) approaches to

$$\tilde{T}_s = a_1 \tilde{U}_0^{5/2} \left(1 - \frac{2440\pi^6}{7N^2 \tilde{U}_0^6} \right), \quad a_1 \equiv \frac{7}{2^4 (15\pi^7)^{1/2}}, \quad (4.7)$$

where $\tilde{T}_s \equiv T_s/\lambda^{1/3}$. Inversely solving this, we obtain

$$\tilde{U}_0 = a_1^{-2/5} \tilde{T}_s^{2/5} \left(1 + \frac{976\pi^6 a_1^{12/5}}{7N^2 \tilde{T}_s^{12/5}} \right). \quad (4.8)$$

Thus physical quantities can be expressed in terms of \tilde{T}_s and N . Finally, the near horizon limit of the entropy (3.13) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} S_s &= \frac{N^2 \tilde{U}_0^{9/2}}{28(15\pi^7)^{1/2}} \left(1 + \frac{2440\pi^6}{7N^2 \tilde{U}_0^6} \right) \\ &= \frac{4N^2 \tilde{T}_s^{9/5}}{49a_1^{4/5}} \left(1 + \frac{976\pi^6 a_1^{12/5}}{N^2 \tilde{T}_s^{12/5}} \right) \\ &\sim 11.5N^2 \tilde{T}_s^{9/5} \left(1 + \frac{0.334}{N^2 \tilde{T}_s^{12/5}} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

This expression is the generalization of the discussion in ref. [43], and first derived in ref. [34] by evaluating in the background of the near horizon geometry.

Let us examine the Gregory-Laflamme instability of the boosted quantum black string in the near horizon limit. In order to do this, we need to compare the entropy (4.9) with that of the boosted quantum black hole. By taking the near horizon limit of eq. (3.14), the entropy of the boosted quantum black hole is expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_h &= \frac{N^{15/8} \tilde{U}_0^{63/16}}{3\sqrt{2}(105)^{9/16} \pi^{47/16}} \left(1 - \frac{1830\pi^6}{N^2 \tilde{U}_0^6} + \frac{10503(105)^{3/8} \pi^{21/8}}{2^{10} N^{5/4} \tilde{U}_0^{21/8}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{N^{15/8} \tilde{T}_s^{63/40}}{3\sqrt{2}(105)^{9/16} \pi^{47/16} a_1^{63/40}} \left(1 - \frac{1281\pi^6 a_1^{12/5}}{N^2 \tilde{T}_s^{12/5}} + \frac{10503(105)^{3/8} \pi^{21/8} a_1^{21/20}}{2^{10} N^{5/4} \tilde{T}_s^{21/20}} \right) \\
 &\sim 10.2 N^{15/8} \tilde{T}_s^{63/40} \left(1 - \frac{0.438}{N^2 \tilde{T}_s^{12/5}} + \frac{1.79}{N^{5/4} \tilde{T}_s^{21/20}} \right). \tag{4.10}
 \end{aligned}$$

It is worth noting that the leading part behaves like $N^{15/8}$ and the quantum effects consist of two terms. It is challenging problem to explain these behaviors from the gauge theory on N D0-branes.

The instability of the near horizon limit of the boosted quantum black string is investigated by comparing eq. (4.9) with eq. (4.10). Up to the next leading order, the ratio of the entropies is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{S_h}{S_s} &\sim L \left(1 - \frac{2257\pi^6 a_1^{12/5}}{N^2 \tilde{T}_s^{12/5}} + \frac{10503(105)^{3/8} \pi^{21/8} a_1^{21/20}}{2^{10} N^{5/4} \tilde{T}_s^{21/20}} \right) \\
 &\sim L \left(1 - \frac{0.772}{N^2 \tilde{T}_s^{12/5}} + \frac{1.79}{N^{5/4} \tilde{T}_s^{21/20}} \right), \\
 &\sim L \left(1 - 2.93 \frac{L^{32/3}}{N^{2/3}} + 3.21 \frac{L^{14/3}}{N^{2/3}} \right), \tag{4.11}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$L \equiv \frac{49}{12\sqrt{2}(105)^{9/16} \pi^{47/16} a_1^{31/40} N^{1/8} \tilde{T}_s^{9/40}} \sim \frac{0.882}{N^{1/8} \tilde{T}_s^{9/40}}. \tag{4.12}$$

The transition of the boosted quantum black string in the near horizon limit occurs at

$$L = 1 - \frac{0.277}{N^{2/3}}, \tag{4.13}$$

up to $\mathcal{O}(N^{-4/3})$. This result is consistent with the discussion in ref. [43] in the classical limit.

Let us examine the validity of eq. (4.11) by estimating the other higher derivative terms. The near horizon limit of eq. (3.17) is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_s e^\phi &\sim \frac{\tilde{U}_0^{-21/4}}{N} \sim \frac{\tilde{T}_s^{-21/10}}{N} \sim N^{1/6} L^{28/3}, \\
 \ell_s^2 R_{abcd} &\sim \tilde{U}_0^{3/2} \sim \tilde{T}_s^{3/5} \sim N^{-1/3} L^{-8/3}, \tag{4.14}
 \end{aligned}$$

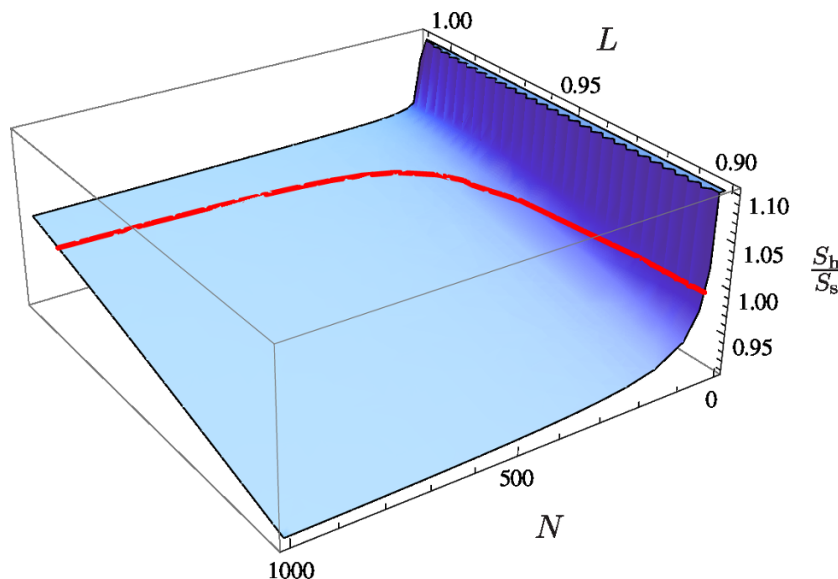


Figure 3. Plot of eq. (4.11) which is valid when $L \leq 1$ and $L^{-56} \ll N$. A red line correspond to $S_h = S_s$.

and a generic term is estimated as

$$(g_s^2 e^{2\phi})^n (\ell_s^2 R_{abcd})^m \sim \frac{\tilde{T}_s^{(3m-21n)/5}}{N^{2n}} \sim N^{(n-m)/3} L^{8(7n-m)/3}. \quad (4.15)$$

The leading tree, 1-loop and $n(\geq 2)$ -loop corrections in the type IIA superstring theory become $(n, m) = (0, 3), (1, 3), (n, n + 3)$, respectively. So the estimations of leading tree, 1-loop and $n(\geq 2)$ -loop are given by $N^{-1}L^{-8}$, $N^{-2/3}L^{32/3}$ and $N^{-1}L^{16n-8}$, respectively. Then the eq. (4.11) is valid when

$$L \leq 1, \quad L^{-56} \ll N, \quad (4.16)$$

if each higher derivative term has a coefficient of order unity. The plot of eq. (4.11) is drawn in figure 3.

5 Conclusion and discussion

In this paper we explored the quantum nature of the black hole and black string in 11 dimensions by taking into account the higher derivative R^4 corrections. Especially we clarified the transition from the quantum black string to the quantum black hole from entropic arguments.

First we constructed the solutions of quantum black hole and black string up to the linear order of ℓ_p^6 . These are asymptotically flat, but the behaviors near the event horizons are quite different from the classical ones. We also investigated the thermodynamics of these quantum solutions, which satisfy the first law of the thermodynamics. The entropies of both quantum black hole and black string increase because of the quantum corrections.

By comparing these two, we discussed the quantum nature of the Gregory-Laflamme instability. When the string coupling constant g_s is quite large, it is reasonable to trust the classical analyses and from eq. (2.30) the transition occurs around

$$M \sim 0.412 g_s^5 + 8.09 g_s. \tag{5.1}$$

On the other hand, when $g_s \sim 1$, we should take into account other higher derivative corrections more seriously. Notice also that we neglected the effect of the circle compactification on the black hole to derive the above transition point. The effect of the compactification on the black hole is investigated in ref. [44], and corrections to the Gregory-Laflamme instability are explored analytically when the mass of the black hole is small in refs. [45, 46]. By consulting the result in ref. [46], we see that the entropy (2.26) is modified into

$$S_h = 8\pi^2 \left(\frac{g_s^3 M^9}{9^9 V_{S^9}} \right)^{1/8} \left\{ 1 + \frac{10503}{2^{11} \pi^4} \left(\frac{9^8 V_{S^9}}{8^8 V_{S^8}} \right)^6 \frac{L^{42}}{g_s^4} + \frac{\zeta(8)}{16 V_{S^9}} \frac{(8^8 V_{S^8})^8}{(9^9 V_{S^9})^7} \frac{1}{L^{56}} \right\} \\ \sim 8\pi^2 \left(\frac{g_s^3 M^9}{9^9 V_{S^9}} \right)^{1/8} \left(1 + 6.04 \frac{L^{42}}{g_s^4} + 0.00101 \frac{1}{L^{56}} \right). \tag{5.2}$$

The third term in the parenthesis corresponds to the effect of the circle compactification. Therefore when the parameters are in the region of $L \sim 1$ and $1 < g_s < 5$, the effect of the compactification is negligible compared to the quantum correction. And when the parameters are in the region of $L \sim 1$ and $5 \leq g_s$, both effects are negligible compared to the leading part. When the mass of the black hole is not small, we have to employ numerical calculation [47].

Second we boosted the quantum black hole and black string solutions, and showed that the latter corresponds to the nonextremal quantum black 0-brane solution. Both entropies depend on the boost parameter in a complicated way, and because of this, the transition occurs for larger M than eq. (5.1). It is interesting to note that there appear another transition point around $g_s \sim 4$ for $\frac{Q}{M} = 0.9$.

Finally we consider the near horizon limit of the boosted quantum black string. In this limit, the boost parameter goes to the infinity, and physical quantities are expressed in terms of the temperature. From eq. (4.13) the transition occurs around

$$T_s \sim \frac{0.574}{N^{5/9}} + \frac{0.707}{N^{11/9}}. \tag{5.3}$$

This shows that quantum effects become important when the number of D0-branes N becomes small.

As a future work it is interesting to understand the Gregory-Laflamme instability in terms of the dual gauge theory. In fact numerical study of the thermal D0-branes system has been investigated considerably in refs. [48]–[52], and especially the corresponding instability is numerically discussed in ref. [51]. It is also of great interest to understand the Gregory-Laflamme instability of the black string from the gauge theory side which is not stretching to the 11th direction [53, 54]. In this paper we focused on g_s correction in the type IIA superstring theory, but it seems to be possible to examine α' correction as well. Finally the confirmations of the relation between thermodynamic and perturbative instabilities are important directions [5, 55–57].

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A Calculations on quantum black hole

A.1 Explicit values of tensors

First we choose the vielbein of the quantum black hole as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^0 &= r_h B_1^{-1/2} A_1^{1/2} d\tau, & e^1 &= r_h A_1^{-1/2} dx, & e^2 &= r_h x d\theta_1, \\
 e^3 &= r_h x \cos \theta_1 d\theta_2, & e^4 &= r_h x \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 d\theta_3, & e^5 &= r_h x \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_3 d\theta_4, \\
 e^6 &= r_h x \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 d\theta_5, & e^7 &= r_h x \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_5 d\theta_6, & e^8 &= r_h x \sin \theta_1 d\theta_7, \\
 e^9 &= r_h x \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_7 d\theta_8, & e^{10} &= r_h x \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_7 d\theta_9,
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.1}$$

where $A_1(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x^8} + \frac{\gamma}{r_h^6} a_1(x)$ and $B_1(x) = 1 + \frac{\gamma}{r_h^6} b_1(x)$. Then, up to the linear order of γ , nonzero components of the Riemann tensor, Ricci tensor and scalar curvature are calculated as

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{0101} &= -\frac{36}{r_h^2 x^{10}} + \gamma \frac{x^9 a_1'' + x(1-x^8)b_1'' - 12b_1'}{2r_h^8 x^9}, \\
 R_{0\hat{i}0\hat{i}} &= \frac{4}{r_h^2 x^{10}} + \gamma \frac{x^8 a_1' + (1-x^8)b_1'}{2r_h^8 x^9}, \\
 R_{1\hat{i}1\hat{i}} &= -\frac{4}{r_h^2 x^{10}} - \gamma \frac{a_1'}{2r_h^8 x}, & R_{\hat{i}\hat{j}\hat{i}\hat{j}} &= \frac{1}{r_h^2 x^{10}} - \gamma \frac{a_1}{r_h^8 x^2}, \\
 R_{00} &= \gamma \frac{x^9 a_1'' + 9x^8 a_1' + x(1-x^8)b_1'' - 3(1+3x^8)b_1'}{2r_h^8 x^9}, \\
 R_{11} &= \gamma \frac{-x^9 a_1'' - 9x^8 a_1' - x(1-x^8)b_1'' + 12b_1'}{2r_h^8 x^9}, \\
 R_{\hat{i}\hat{i}} &= \gamma \frac{-2x^8 a_1' - 16x^7 a_1 - (1-x^8)b_1'}{2r_h^8 x^9}, \\
 R &= \gamma \frac{-x^9 a_1'' - 18x^8 a_1' - 72x^7 a_1 - x(1-x^8)b_1'' + 3(1+3x^8)b_1'}{r_h^8 x^9},
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.2}$$

where $\hat{i}, \hat{j} = 2, \dots, 10$ and $\hat{i} \neq \hat{j}$.

Next we evaluate higher derivative terms up to $\mathcal{O}(\gamma)$. Nonzero components of X_{abcd} , $RX_{ij} \equiv R_{abci}X^{abc}{}_j$ and $DDX_{ij} \equiv D_{(a}D_{b)}X^a{}_{ij}{}^b$ are evaluated as

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{0101} &= -\frac{44070912}{r_h^6 x^{30}}, & X_{0\hat{i}0\hat{i}} &= -X_{1\hat{i}1\hat{i}} = -\frac{2844672}{r_h^6 x^{30}}, & X_{\hat{i}\hat{j}\hat{i}\hat{j}} &= \frac{1949952}{r_h^6 x^{30}}, \\
 RX_{00} &= -RX_{11} = -\frac{2968289280}{r_h^8 x^{40}}, & RX_{\hat{i}\hat{i}} &= -\frac{14315520}{r_h^8 x^{40}}, \\
 DDX_{00} &= -\frac{1902182400(13 - 11x^8)}{r_h^8 x^{40}}, & DDX_{11} &= \frac{900(3445248 + 781824x^8)}{r_h^8 x^{40}}, \\
 DDX_{\hat{i}\hat{i}} &= \frac{78182400(31 - 23x^8)}{r_h^8 x^{40}}, & t_8 t_8 R^4 - \frac{1}{4!} \epsilon_{11} \epsilon_{11} R^4 &= \frac{1451934720}{r_h^8 x^{40}},
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.3}$$

where $\hat{i}, \hat{j} = 2, \dots, 10$ and $\hat{i} \neq \hat{j}$.

A.2 Plots of $A_1(x)$

Let us examine the properties of $A_1(x)$ given in section 2.2. For simplicity we just set $c_h = 0$ below, so $A_1(x)$ is given by

$$A_1(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x^8} + \tilde{\gamma} \left(\frac{422707200}{x^{30}} - \frac{349736448}{x^{38}} \right), \quad \tilde{\gamma} = \frac{\gamma}{r_h^6}. \tag{A.4}$$

The derivative of $A_1(x)$ is calculated as

$$A_1'(x) = \frac{8\tilde{\gamma}}{x^{39}} (\tilde{\gamma}^{-1} x^{30} - 1585152000 x^8 + 1661248128). \tag{A.5}$$

Then $A_1'(x) = 0$ has one or two solutions when the minimum of the function in the parentheses becomes zero or negative, respectively. The function in the parentheses becomes minimum when $x^{22} = 422707200\tilde{\gamma}$, and the minimum takes negative value when

$$-1162444800(422707200\tilde{\gamma})^{4/11} + 1661248128 < 0 \Leftrightarrow 6.32 \times 10^{-9} < \tilde{\gamma}. \tag{A.6}$$

Plots of $A_1(x)$ with $\tilde{\gamma} = 10^{-9}$ and 10^{-8} are shown in figure 4. In both cases, locations of the event horizons are shifted inward compared with the classical case. Especially the behavior of $A_1(x)$ with $\tilde{\gamma} = 10^{-8}$ is quite different around the event horizon, so a test particle feels a repulsive force.

B Calculations on quantum black string

B.1 Explicit values of tensors

First we choose the vielbein of the quantum black hole as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^0 &= r_s G_1^{-1/2} F_1^{1/2} d\tau, & e^1 &= r_s F_1^{-1/2} dx, & e^2 &= r_s x d\theta_1, \\
 e^3 &= r_s x \cos \theta_1 d\theta_2, & e^4 &= r_s x \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 d\theta_3, & e^5 &= r_s x \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \sin \theta_3 d\theta_4, \\
 e^6 &= r_s x \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 d\theta_5, & e^7 &= r_s x \cos \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \sin \theta_5 d\theta_6, & e^8 &= r_s x \sin \theta_1 d\theta_7, \\
 e^9 &= r_s x \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_7 d\theta_8, & e^{\natural} &= r_s G_2^{1/2} dy,
 \end{aligned} \tag{B.1}$$

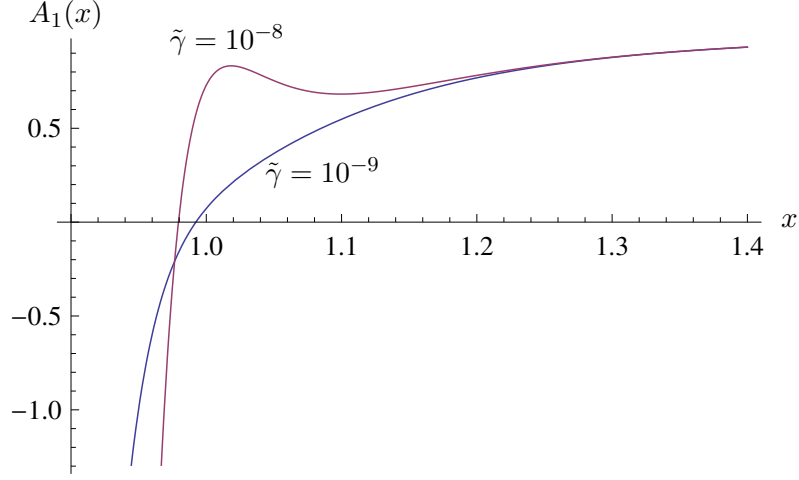


Figure 4. Plots of $A_1(x)$ with $\tilde{\gamma} = 10^{-9}$ and 10^{-8} .

where $F_1(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x^7} + \frac{\gamma}{r_s^6} f_1(x)$ and $G_i(x) = 1 + \frac{\gamma}{r_s^6} g_i(x)$. Then, up to the linear order of γ , nonzero components of the Riemann tensor, Ricci tensor and scalar curvature are calculated as

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{0101} &= -\frac{28}{r_s^2 x^9} + \gamma \frac{2x^8 f_1'' + 2x(1-x^7)g_1'' - 21g_1'}{4r_s^8 x^8}, & R_{0i0i} &= \frac{7}{2r_s^2 x^9} + \gamma \frac{x^7 f_1' + (1-x^7)g_1'}{2r_s^8 x^8}, \\
 R_{0\hat{i}0\hat{i}} &= \gamma \frac{7g_2'}{4r_s^8 x^8}, & R_{1\hat{i}1\hat{i}} &= -\frac{7}{2r_s^2 x^9} - \gamma \frac{f_1'}{2r_s^8 x}, & R_{1\hat{i}1\hat{i}} &= \gamma \frac{2x(1-x^7)g_2'' - 7g_2'}{4r_s^8 x^8}, \\
 R_{\hat{i}\hat{j}\hat{i}\hat{j}} &= \frac{1}{r_s^2 x^9} - \gamma \frac{f_1}{r_s^8 x^2}, & R_{\hat{i}\hat{i}\hat{i}\hat{i}} &= \gamma \frac{(1-x^7)g_2'}{2r_s^8 x^8}, \\
 R_{00} &= \gamma \frac{2x^8 f_1'' + 16x^7 f_1' + 2x(1-x^7)g_1'' - (5+16x^7)g_1' + 7g_2'}{4r_s^8 x^8}, \\
 R_{11} &= \gamma \frac{-2x^8 f_1'' - 16x^7 f_1' - 2x(1-x^7)g_1'' + 21g_1' + 2x(1-x^7)g_2'' - 7g_2'}{4r_s^8 x^8}, \\
 R_{\hat{i}\hat{i}} &= \gamma \frac{-2x^7 f_1' - 14x^6 f_1 - (1-x^7)g_1' + (1-x^7)g_2'}{2r_s^8 x^8}, & R_{\hat{i}\hat{i}} &= \gamma \frac{x(1-x^7)g_2'' + (1-8x^7)g_2'}{2r_s^8 x^8}, \\
 R &= \gamma \frac{-2x^8 f_1'' - 32x^7 f_1' - 112x^6 f_1 - 2x(1-x^7)g_1'' + (5+16x^7)g_1' + 2x(1-x^7)g_2'' + 2(1-8x^7)g_2'}{2r_s^8 x^8},
 \end{aligned} \tag{B.2}$$

where $\hat{i}, \hat{j} = 2, \dots, 9$ and $\hat{i} \neq \hat{j}$.

Next we evaluate higher derivative terms up to $\mathcal{O}(\gamma)$. Nonzero components of X_{abcd} , $RX_{ij} \equiv R_{abci} X^{abc}_j$ and $DDX_{ij} \equiv D_{(a} D_{b)} X^a_{ij}$ are evaluated as

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{0101} &= -\frac{20321280}{r_s^6 x^{27}}, & X_{0i0i} &= -X_{1\hat{i}1\hat{i}} = -\frac{1270080}{r_s^6 x^{27}}, & X_{\hat{i}\hat{j}\hat{i}\hat{j}} &= \frac{1192320}{r_s^6 x^{27}}, \\
 RX_{00} &= -RX_{11} = -\frac{1066867200}{r_s^8 x^{36}}, & RX_{\hat{i}\hat{i}} &= -\frac{1088640}{r_s^8 x^{36}},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$DDX_{00} = \frac{198132480(-47 + 40x^7)}{r_s^8 x^{36}}, \quad DDX_{11} = \frac{1701(1313280 + 317440x^7)}{2r_s^8 x^{36}}, \quad (\text{B.3})$$

$$DDX_{\hat{i}\hat{i}} = \frac{236234880(4 - 3x^7)}{r_s^8 x^{36}}, \quad t_8 t_8 R^4 - \frac{1}{4!} \epsilon_{11} \epsilon_{11} R^4 = \frac{531256320}{r_s^8 x^{36}},$$

where $\hat{i}, \hat{j} = 2, \dots, 9$ and $\hat{i} \neq \hat{j}$.

B.2 Solution of eq. (2.19)

Let us solve the equations of motion (2.19) for the quantum black string. First we consider the following combinations.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{E_1 + E_2}{16x^{28}(1-x^7)} &= g'_1 + \frac{1}{8}xg''_2 + \frac{4097640960}{x^{28}} = 0, \\ \frac{E_1 + E_2 + 8(E_3 - E_4)}{2x^{28}} &= -16x^7 f'_1 - 112x^6 f_1 - 7x(1-x^7)g''_2 + 56x^7 g'_2 \\ &\quad + \frac{2525644800}{x^{28}} - \frac{10102579200}{x^{21}} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.4})$$

These are solved as

$$\begin{aligned} g_1 &= c_1 - \frac{1}{8}xg'_2 + \frac{1}{8}g_2 + \frac{151764480}{x^{27}}, \\ f_1 &= \frac{c_2}{x^7} - \frac{7(1-x^7)}{16x^6}g'_2 + \frac{7}{16x^7}g_2 - \frac{5846400}{x^{34}} + \frac{31570560}{x^{27}}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.5})$$

By inserting these solutions into $E_1 = 0$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{E_1}{9x^{28}} &= x(1-x^7)g''_2 + (1-8x^7)g'_2 + \frac{7640801280}{x^{28}} - \frac{5922201600}{x^{21}} \\ &= \left\{ x(1-x^7)g'_2 - \frac{282992640}{x^{27}} + \frac{296110080}{x^{20}} \right\}' = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.6})$$

From this $g_2(x)$ is solved as

$$g_2(x) = c_3 + c_4 \log \frac{x^7}{x^7 - 1} - \frac{94330880}{9x^{27}} + \frac{655872}{x^{20}} + \frac{13117440}{13x^{13}} + \frac{2186240}{x^6} + 1873920I(x), \quad (\text{B.7})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I(x) &= \log \frac{x^7(x-1)}{x^7-1} - \sum_{n=1,3,5} \cos \frac{n\pi}{7} \log \left(x^2 + 2x \cos \frac{n\pi}{7} + 1 \right) \\ &\quad - 2 \sum_{n=1,3,5} \sin \frac{n\pi}{7} \left\{ \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x + \cos \frac{n\pi}{7}}{\sin \frac{n\pi}{7}} \right) - \frac{\pi}{2} \right\}, \\ I'(x) &= \frac{7(x-1)}{x(x^7-1)}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.8})$$

c_3 and c_4 are integral constants but should be zero so that the solution becomes asymptotically flat and $g_2(1)$ is finite. $g_1(x)$ and $f_1(x)$ are determined by using eq. (B.5). c_1 should be zero because of the asymptotic flatness but c_2 remains as a constant parameter. We have solved three out of four equations in (2.19), but the remaining equation is automatically satisfied.

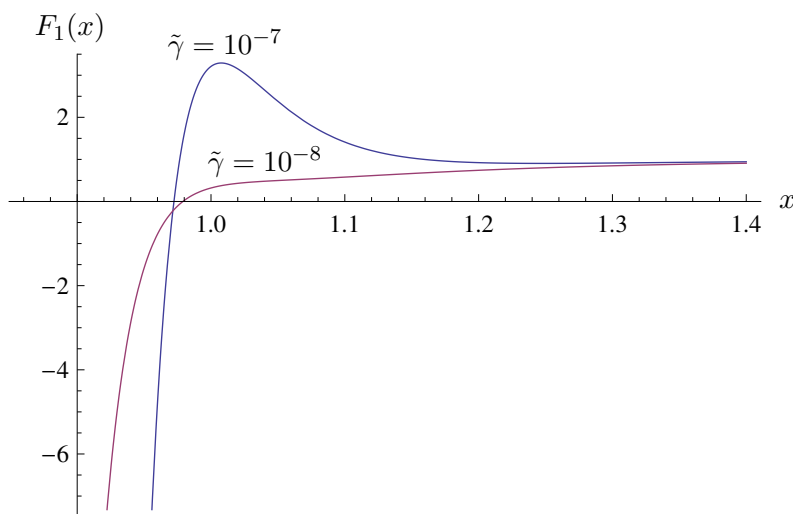


Figure 5. Plots of $F_1(x)$ with $\tilde{\gamma} = 10^{-8}$ and 10^{-7} .

B.3 Plots of $F_1(x)$

Let us examine the properties of $F_1(x)$ given in section 2.3. By taking into account the near horizon limit, we set $c_s = 3747840$ below, so $F_1(x)$ is given by

$$F_1(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x^7} + \tilde{\gamma} \left(-\frac{1208170880}{9x^{34}} + \frac{161405664}{x^{27}} + \frac{5738880}{13x^{20}} + \frac{956480}{x^{13}} + \frac{3747840}{x^7} + \frac{819840}{x^7} I(x) \right), \quad \tilde{\gamma} = \frac{\gamma}{r_h^6}. \quad (\text{B.9})$$

Plots of $F_1(x)$ with $\tilde{\gamma} = 10^{-8}$ and 10^{-7} are shown in figure 5. In both cases, locations of the event horizons are shifted inward compared with the classical case. Especially the behavior of $F_1(x)$ with $\tilde{\gamma} = 10^{-7}$ is quite different around the event horizon, so a test particle feels a repulsive force [34].

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