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Supersymmetric Rényi entropy and Weyl anomalies in six-dimensional (2,0) theories

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ABSTRACT: We propose a closed formula of the universal part of supersymmetric Rényi entropy S_q for (2,0) superconformal theories in six-dimensions. We show that S_q across a spherical entangling surface is a cubic polynomial of $\gamma := 1/q$, with all coefficients expressed in terms of the newly discovered Weyl anomalies a and c . This is equivalent to a similar statement of the supersymmetric free energy on conic (or squashed) six-sphere. We first obtain the closed formula by promoting the free tensor multiplet result and then provide an independent derivation by assuming that S_q can be written as a linear combination of 't Hooft anomaly coefficients. We discuss a possible lower bound $\frac{a}{c} \geq \frac{3}{7}$ implied by our result.

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1 Introduction

Exact results in interacting quantum field theories are rare. Even less is known about the six-dimensional (2, 0) theories, although they are the local conformal field theories (CFTs) with maximal supersymmetry in the maximum number of dimensions [1, 2], which actually play important roles in understanding lower dimensional supersymmetric physics [3–7].

The main obstacle is that the proper formulation of the interacting theories is still lacking, for instance in the path integral formalism.¹ This also makes it challenging to study the theories in curved spaces. In particular it is unclear how to perform the supersymmetric localization [18–20] directly.

Recently alternative approaches to $6d$ $(2, 0)$ theories, such as effective actions on the moduli space and the superconformal bootstrap, are advocated in [21, 22] and in [23, 24], respectively. In particular, the Weyl anomaly coefficients $a_{\mathfrak{g}}$ and $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$ have been determined for the $(2, 0)$ superconformal field theory (SCFT) characterized by a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} ,²

$$\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}} := \frac{a_{\mathfrak{g}}}{a_{\mathfrak{u}(1)}} = \frac{16}{7} h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee} d_{\mathfrak{g}} + r_{\mathfrak{g}}, \quad \bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}} := \frac{c_{\mathfrak{g}}}{c_{\mathfrak{u}(1)}} = 4 h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee} d_{\mathfrak{g}} + r_{\mathfrak{g}}, \quad (1.1)$$

where $r_{\mathfrak{g}}$, $d_{\mathfrak{g}}$ and $h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee}$ are the rank, dimension and dual Coxeter number of the compact simply-laced Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} , respectively. a and c appear generally as coefficients of the anomalous trace of the stress tensor in a six-dimensional curved background [25, 26],

$$\langle T_{\mu}^{\mu} \rangle \sim a E_6 + \sum_{i=1}^3 c_i I_i, \quad (1.2)$$

where E_6 is the Euler density while I_i are Weyl invariants. In the presence of $(2, 0)$ superconformal symmetry, $c_{i=1,2,3}$ are proportional to a single coefficient c . One interesting fact is that both $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}}$ and $\bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}}$ will be uniquely fixed once we assume that they are linear combinations of the 't Hooft anomaly coefficients, $h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee} d_{\mathfrak{g}}$ and $r_{\mathfrak{g}}$. This can be done by fitting to the large N values (from holography [27–30]) and the free tensor multiplet values [31, 32].

As robust observables, the 't Hooft anomalies of the continuous global symmetries in $6d$ $(2, 0)$ theories have been worked out [33–39]. They are organized in an 8-form anomaly polynomial,

$$\mathcal{I}_8 = h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee} d_{\mathfrak{g}} \frac{p_2(R)}{24} + r_{\mathfrak{g}} \mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{u}(1)}, \quad (1.3)$$

where $p_2(R)$ is the second Pontryagin class of the field strength of the $SO(5)$ R-symmetry background and $\mathcal{I}_{\mathfrak{u}(1)}$ is the anomaly polynomial of a free Abelian tensor multiplet.

As in other even dimensions, it is known that $a_{\mathfrak{g}}$ determines both the universal part³ of the sphere partition function and the universal entanglement entropy associated with a spherical entangling surface (in flat space) [40]. On the other hand, it was pointed out that $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$ determines both the 2-point and the 3-point functions of the stress tensor in the vacuum in flat space [23, 24]. Due to the intrinsic relations between the flat space stress tensor correlators and the nearly-round sphere partition function, it is therefore attempting to ask whether one can fully determine the partition function on a branched (q -deformed) sphere,⁴ which is directly related to the supersymmetric Rényi entropy S_q .

¹For the attempts to write down a Lagrangian, see for instance [8–12] and for other field theoretical attempts, see [13–17].

² $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{u}(1)$ corresponds to a free Abelian tensor multiplet.

³By “universal” we mean scheme-independent.

⁴A branched sphere is a sphere with a conical singularity with the deformation parameter $q - 1$.

Supersymmetric Rényi entropy was first introduced in three-dimensions [41–43], and later studied in four-dimensions [44, 45, 47], five-dimensions [48, 49] and for free tensor multiplets in six-dimensions [50].⁵ By turning on certain R-symmetry background fields (chemical potentials), one can calculate the partition function Z_q on a q -branched sphere \mathbb{S}_q^d , and define the supersymmetric Rényi entropy as

$$S_q = \frac{1}{1-q} [\log Z_q(\mu(q)) - q \log Z_1(0)] , \tag{1.4}$$

which is a supersymmetric refinement of the ordinary Rényi entropy (which is non-supersymmetric because of the conical singularity).⁶ The quantities defined in (1.4) are UV divergent in general but one can extract universal parts free of ambiguities. For instance, for $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM in four-dimensions, the log coefficient of S_q as a function of q and three chemical potentials μ_1, μ_2, μ_3 (corresponding to three independent R-symmetry Cartans) has been shown to be protected from the interactions [44]. It also receives a precise check from the holographic computation on the 5d BPS STU topological black holes [44]. Furthermore, there are universal relations between the Weyl anomaly coefficients a, c and the supersymmetric Rényi entropy in 4d $\mathcal{N} = 1, 2$ SCFTs, which provides a new way to understand the Hofman-Maldacena bounds [45].⁷ The above facts indicate that the supersymmetric Rényi entropy may be used as a new robust observable to understand SCFTs.

1.1 Summary of results

The main result in this paper is the exact supersymmetric Rényi entropy of $6d (2, 0)$ SCFTs. We show that, for theories characterized by simply-laced Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} , it is given by a cubic polynomial of $\gamma := \frac{1}{q}$

$$S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}] = \sum_{n=0}^3 s_n (\gamma - 1)^n , \tag{1.5}$$

with four coefficients

$$s_0 = \frac{7}{12} \bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}} , \quad s_1 = \frac{1 + 2r_1 r_2}{12} \bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}} , \quad s_2 = \frac{r_1 r_2}{12} \bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}} , \quad s_3 = \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{12} \frac{7\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}} - 3\bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}}}{4} , \tag{1.6}$$

where $\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}}, \bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}}$ are given by (1.1) and $r_{1,2}$ are background parameters denoting the weights of the two U(1) chemical potentials associated to the two R-symmetry Cartans, satisfying the supersymmetry constraint $r_1 + r_2 = 1$.⁸ The basic ingredients in our argument are the following:

- (A) S_γ has been computed for the free tensor multiplet by the author with collaborators [50]. The result takes the form (2.15)

$$S_\gamma[\mathbf{u}(1)] = \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{12} (\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{r_1 r_2}{12} (\gamma - 1)^2 + \frac{1 + 2r_1 r_2}{12} (\gamma - 1) + \frac{7}{12} . \tag{1.7}$$

This will be reviewed in section 2.

⁵The supersymmetric Rényi entropy was recently studied in two-dimensional (2, 2) SCFTs [51] in a slightly different way.

⁶For CFTs, the Rényi entropy (or supersymmetric one) associated with a spherical entangling surface in flat space can be mapped to that on a sphere. Throughout this work we take the “regularized cone” boundary conditions.

⁷Some of a/c bounds by Hofman and Maldacena [46] coincide with Rényi entropy inequalities.

⁸We only consider non-negative weights of the chemical potentials, $r_1 \geq 0$ and $r_2 \geq 0$.

(B) Based on (A) and (E)(F) below, a reasonable assumption is that the general form of supersymmetric Rényi entropy for $(2,0)$ theories is a cubic polynomial in $\gamma - 1$. This assumption will be used in section 3. So far we do not have a sharp argument for this assumption.

(C) The first and second derivatives of S_γ at $\gamma = 1$ can be expressed in terms of integrated two- and three-point functions of operators in the stress tensor multiplet, and so are proportional to $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$. This will be demonstrated in appendix A. Moreover their dependence on $r_{1,2}$ is seen to be universal. Because of this, one has

$$\left. \frac{\partial_\gamma S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}]}{\partial_\gamma S_\gamma[\mathbf{u}(1)]} \right|_{\gamma=1} = \left. \frac{\partial_\gamma^2 S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}]}{\partial_\gamma^2 S_\gamma[\mathbf{u}(1)]} \right|_{\gamma=1} = \frac{c_{\mathfrak{g}}}{c_{\mathbf{u}(1)}}. \quad (1.8)$$

This will be used in section 3.

(D) The value of S_γ at $\gamma = 1$ is the spherical entanglement entropy [41], which is proportional to $a_{\mathfrak{g}}$ [40]. As such, one has

$$\frac{S_{\gamma=1}[\mathfrak{g}]}{S_{\gamma=1}[\mathbf{u}(1)]} = \frac{a_{\mathfrak{g}}}{a_{\mathbf{u}(1)}}. \quad (1.9)$$

This will also be used in section 3.

(E) The large γ behavior of the supersymmetric Rényi entropy is controlled by the “supersymmetric Casimir energy”, which has been computed in [82].⁹ This gives (4.26)

$$\lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}]}{\gamma^3} = \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{12} (r_{\mathfrak{g}} + h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}}). \quad (1.10)$$

This is our main result in section 4.

(F) S_γ can be computed for the A_{N-1} type $(2,0)$ theories at large N using the AdS/CFT correspondence, with the result appearing in (5.19):

$$\frac{S_\gamma[A_{N \rightarrow \infty}]}{N^3} = \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{12} (\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{r_1 r_2}{3} (\gamma - 1)^2 + \frac{1 + 2r_1 r_2}{3} (\gamma - 1) + \frac{4}{3}. \quad (1.11)$$

This is our main result in section 5.

From (A)(B)(C)(D)(E) listed above, one can uniquely determine the general expression of $S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}]$ given in (1.5), (1.6), as we do in section 3. The precise agreement between (F) and the large N limit of (1.5) for A_{N-1} type theories can be considered as a nontrivial test of our result. Except for (A), (B)-(F) are new as far as we know.

One may notice that both our result (1.5) and a, c anomalies (1.1) are linear combinations of $h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}}$ and $r_{\mathfrak{g}}$, which determine the anomaly polynomial (1.3). In fact, once such a relationship between the supersymmetric Rényi entropy and ’t Hooft anomalies is assumed, (1.5) and (1.6) can be obtained by fitting to the known result of a free tensor multiplet [50] and the holographic result presented in section 5.

⁹Similar relation was first advertised in [45] in four-dimensions.

This paper is organized as follows. We begin with the review of the supersymmetric Rényi entropy of free tensor multiplets in section 2. Then we promote it to a general expression which works for general $(2, 0)$ theories in section 3. In section 4 we demonstrate a relation between the $q \rightarrow 0$ behavior of supersymmetric Rényi entropy and supersymmetric Casimir energy, which is used to determine the remaining unfixed coefficient in the general formula in the previous section. We give a precise test of our result by comparing with the holographic results in section 5 and conjecture a lower bound for \bar{a}/\bar{c} in section 6.

2 Review of abelian tensor multiplet

The six-dimensional $(2, 0)$ superconformal algebra is $\mathfrak{osp}(8^*|4)$. While it is easy to identify a free Abelian tensor multiplet that realizes the $(2, 0)$ superconformal symmetry, the existence of interacting $(2, 0)$ theories was only inferred from decoupling limits of string constructions [62–64]. See for instance [65] for a review of various aspects of $6d$ $(2, 0)$ theories.

Now we review the supersymmetric Rényi entropy of free tensor multiplets [50]. For free fields, the Rényi entropy associated with a spherical entangling surface in flat space can be computed by working on a hyperbolic space $\mathbb{S}^1_\beta \times \mathbb{H}^5$ and using heat kernel method.¹⁰ A six-dimensional $(2, 0)$ tensor multiplet includes 5 real scalars, 2 Weyl fermions and a 2-form field with self-dual strength. The 2-form field with self-dual strength can be considered as a chiral 2-form field with half of the degrees of freedom.

2.1 Heat kernel

The partition function of free fields on $\mathbb{S}^1_{\beta=2\pi q} \times \mathbb{H}^5$ can be obtained by heat kernel method,¹¹

$$\log Z(\beta) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t} K_{\mathbb{S}^1_\beta \times \mathbb{H}^5}(t), \tag{2.1}$$

where $K_{\mathbb{S}^1_\beta \times \mathbb{H}^5}(t)$ is the heat kernel of the associated conformal Laplacian. The kernel can be factorized when the spacetime is a direct product,

$$K_{\mathbb{S}^1_\beta \times \mathbb{H}^5}(t) = K_{\mathbb{S}^1_\beta}(t) K_{\mathbb{H}^5}(t). \tag{2.2}$$

The kernel on a circle $K_{\mathbb{S}^1_\beta}(t)$ is known to be¹²

$$K_{\mathbb{S}^1_\beta}(t) = \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \sum_{n \neq 0, \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\frac{\beta^2 n^2}{4t}}. \tag{2.3}$$

In the presence of a chemical potential μ , it is twisted to be [55]

$$\tilde{K}_{\mathbb{S}^1_\beta}(t) = \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} \sum_{n \neq 0, \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\frac{\beta^2 n^2}{4t} + i2\pi n \mu + i\pi n f}, \tag{2.4}$$

¹⁰Six-dimensional $(2, 0)$ theories have been studied in $AdS_5 \times S^1$ recently in the viewpoint of rigid holography [66].

¹¹For Rényi entropy of free fields in other higher dimensions, see for instance [67–70].

¹²For fermions, the boundary conditions are anti-periodic.

where $f = 0$ for scalars and $f = 1$ for fermions. Finally the kernels on the hyperbolic space $K_{\mathbb{H}^5}(t)$ can be written as follows because \mathbb{H}^5 is homogeneous,

$$K_{\mathbb{H}^5}(t) = \int d^5x \sqrt{g} K_{\mathbb{H}^5}(x, x, t) = V_5 K_{\mathbb{H}^5}(0, t). \quad (2.5)$$

The regularized volume $V_5 = \pi^2 \log(\ell/\epsilon)$. ϵ is the UV cutoff of the theory in the original space¹³ and ℓ is the curvature radius of \mathbb{H}^5 . Note that the kernels $K_{\mathbb{H}^5}(0, t)$ for free fields with different spins are known. See [50] and references there.

2.2 Rényi entropy

The total Rényi entropy of a tensor multiplet can be obtained by summing up the contributions of 5 real scalars, 2 Weyl fermions and a chiral 2-form,

$$S_q^{\text{free}} = 5 \times \frac{S_q^s}{2} + 2S_q^f + \frac{S_q^v}{2}, \quad (2.6)$$

where the Rényi entropy for fields with different spins can be computed by using the corresponding heat kernels. For the details of this computation we refer to [50]. We will instead list the results here. The Rényi entropy of a $6d$ real scalar is

$$S_q^s = \frac{(q+1)(3q^2+1)(3q^2+2)}{15120q^5} \frac{V_5}{\pi^2}, \quad (2.7)$$

and the Rényi entropy of a $6d$ Weyl fermion is

$$S_q^f = \frac{(q+1)(1221q^4+276q^2+31)}{120960q^5} \frac{V_5}{\pi^2}, \quad (2.8)$$

and that of a $6d$ 2-form field is

$$S_q^v = \frac{(q+1)(37q^2+2)+877q^4+4349q^5}{5040q^5} \frac{V_5}{\pi^2}. \quad (2.9)$$

It is worth to mention that, to get the correct Rényi entropy for the two form field, one has to take into account a q -independent constant shift due to the edge modes [50], like what should be done for the gauge field in $4d$ [71, 72]. Finally the Rényi entropy for a free $(2,0)$ tensor multiplet is

$$S_q^{\text{free}} = \frac{(q+1)(28q^2+3)+313q^4+1305q^5}{2880q^5} \frac{V_5}{\pi^2}. \quad (2.10)$$

It has been checked that $\partial_{q=1}^0$, $\partial_{q=1}^1$ and $\partial_{q=1}^2$ of S_q^{free} are consistent [50] with the previous results about the tensor multiplet [31, 32, 73].

¹³This is the q -fold space with a conical singularity, which is used to compute Rényi entropy by replica trick.

2.3 S_q and S_γ

Before moving on, let us represent S_q^{free} in terms of

$$S_\gamma := \frac{\pi^2}{V_5} S_q, \text{ with } \gamma := 1/q,$$

$$S_\gamma^{\text{free}} = \frac{1}{960}(\gamma - 1)^5 + \frac{1}{160}(\gamma - 1)^4 + \frac{7}{288}(\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{1}{18}(\gamma - 1)^2 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{6} + \frac{7}{12}. \quad (2.11)$$

The reason why S_γ is convenient is that, the series expansion near $\gamma = 1$ has finite terms while the expansion of S_q near $q = 1$ has infinite terms. We will use S_γ instead of S_q to express Rényi entropy and supersymmetric Rényi entropy from now on. It is worth to note the relations between the derivatives with respect to q and the derivatives with respect to γ at $q = 1/\gamma = 1$,

$$\partial_\gamma S_\gamma = -\partial_q S_q \Big|_{q=1/\gamma=1} \cdot \frac{\pi^2}{V_5}, \quad \partial_\gamma^2 S_\gamma = (2\partial_q S_q + \partial_q^2 S_q) \Big|_{q=1/\gamma=1} \cdot \frac{\pi^2}{V_5}. \quad (2.12)$$

2.4 Supersymmetric Rényi entropy

The supersymmetric Rényi entropy of a free tensor multiplet can be computed by the twisted kernel (2.4) on the supersymmetric background. The R-symmetry group of $6d(2,0)$ theories is $\text{SO}(5)$, which has two $\text{U}(1)$ Cartans. Therefore one can turn on two independent R-symmetry background gauge fields (chemical potentials) to twist the boundary conditions for scalars and fermions along the replica circle \mathbb{S}_β^1 . A general analysis of the Killing spinor equation on the conic space (\mathbb{S}_q^6 or $\mathbb{S}_{\beta=2\pi q}^1 \times \mathbb{H}^5$) leads to the solution of the R-symmetry chemical potential [50]¹⁴

$$\mu(q) := k_i A^i = \frac{q - 1}{2}, \quad (2.13)$$

with k_1 and k_2 being the R-charges of the Killing spinor under the two $\text{U}(1)$ Cartans, respectively. We choose $k_1 = k_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ and the two background fields can be expressed as

$$A^1 = (q - 1)r_1, \quad A^2 = (q - 1)r_2, \quad \text{with } r_1 + r_2 = 1. \quad (2.14)$$

This is the most general background satisfying (2.13). For each component field in the tensor multiplet, one has to first figure out the Cartan charges k_1 and k_2 and then compute the chemical potential by $k_1 A^1 + k_2 A^2$. Then one can compute the free energy on $\mathbb{S}_\beta^1 \times \mathbb{H}^5$ using the twisted heat kernel and get the supersymmetric Rényi entropy. For details, see [50].

After summing up all the component fields, the final supersymmetric Rényi entropy in terms of γ can be expressed as,¹⁵

$$S_\gamma[\mathbf{u}(1)] = \frac{1}{12}r_1^2 r_2^2 (\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{1}{12}r_1 r_2 (\gamma - 1)^2 + \frac{1}{12}(1 + 2r_1 r_2)(\gamma - 1) + \frac{7}{12}. \quad (2.15)$$

¹⁴The Killing spinors on round sphere have been explored in [74].

¹⁵Although the form of this expression is a series expansion, the result itself is complete.

It is worth to note that, for a single $U(1)$ background, $r_1 = 1, r_2 = 0$, the result becomes

$$S_\gamma = \frac{1}{12}(\gamma + 6), \tag{2.16}$$

while for two $U(1)$ backgrounds with equal values, $r_1 = r_2 = \frac{1}{2}$, we have

$$S_\gamma = \frac{1}{192}(\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{1}{48}(\gamma - 1)^2 + \frac{1}{8}(\gamma - 1) + \frac{7}{12}. \tag{2.17}$$

3 Interacting (2,0) theories

Given the supersymmetric Rényi entropy (2.15) for a free tensor multiplet, now we promote it to a general form which works for general (2, 0) SCFTs,

$$S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}] = \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{12} \cdot A(\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{r_1 r_2}{12} \cdot B(\gamma - 1)^2 + \frac{1 + 2r_1 r_2}{12} \cdot C(\gamma - 1) + \frac{7}{12}D, \tag{3.1}$$

where the coefficients A, B, C, D will depend on the specific theory. As stated in the introduction, the assumption that $S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}]$ is a cubic polynomial of $\gamma - 1$ is based on both the free multiplet result and the holographic result (as we will see in section 5).¹⁶ Their dependence on $r_{1,2}$ is universal because $r_{1,2}$ originally come from the α_i ($\alpha_1 = r_1, \alpha_2 = r_2$) in (A.23), (A.27), which are background parameters independent of the specific theory. Later we will see that precisely the same $r_{1,2}$ dependence appears in the holographic supersymmetric Rényi entropy (5.19), which confirms this fact.

3.1 $S_{\gamma=1}$ and $a_{\mathfrak{g}}$

We would like to first determine the coefficient D in (3.1). Recall that the entanglement entropy associated with a spherical entangling surface, $S_{\gamma=1}$, is proportional to the a -type Weyl anomaly. This is true for general CFTs in even dimensions as shown in [40]. Therefore

$$\frac{S_{\gamma=1}[\mathfrak{g}]}{S_{\gamma=1}[\mathfrak{u}(1)]} = \frac{a_{\mathfrak{g}}}{a_{\mathfrak{u}(1)}}. \tag{3.2}$$

This allows us to fix

$$D = \frac{a_{\mathfrak{g}}}{a_{\mathfrak{u}(1)}} = \frac{16}{7}h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee}d_{\mathfrak{g}} + r_{\mathfrak{g}}, \tag{3.3}$$

where we have used the a -type Weyl anomaly result in $6d$ (2, 0) theories [22].

¹⁶Similar thing happens in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM. Here we see an essential difference between the ordinary Rényi entropy and the supersymmetric one, because the type of q scaling in the ordinary Rényi entropy is not protected [53, 75].

3.2 $\partial_\gamma S_{\gamma=1}$, $\partial_\gamma^2 S_{\gamma=1}$ and $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$

The coefficients C and B in (3.1) are determined by the first and the second γ -derivatives of S_γ at $\gamma = 1$, respectively. γ -derivatives can be translated into q -derivatives. Taking q -derivatives is equal to taking derivatives with respect to background fields, therefore $\partial_\gamma S_{\gamma=1}$ and $\partial_\gamma^2 S_{\gamma=1}$ are intrinsically related to the corresponding correlators. This is illustrated in appendix A.

More explicitly, the first γ -derivative (which is minus the q -derivative at $q = 1/\gamma = 1$) is determined by a linear combination of the integrated stress tensor 2-point function and the integrated R-current 2-point function. The first q -derivative at $q = 1$ is given by the equation (A.23),

$$S'_{q=1} = -V_{d-1} \left(\frac{\pi^{\frac{d}{2}+1} \Gamma(\frac{d}{2}) (d-1)}{(d+1)!} C_T - \alpha^2 \frac{\pi^{\frac{d+3}{2}}}{2^{d-3} (d-1) \Gamma(\frac{d-1}{2})} C_v \right), \quad (3.4)$$

which works for general SCFTs with conserved R-symmetries in d -dimensions.

Similarly the second γ -derivative at $\gamma = 1$ is related to q -derivatives by (2.12). The second q -derivative at $q = 1$ is determined by a linear combination of the integrated stress tensor 3-point function, the integrated R-current 3-point function and some mixed 3-point functions. This is given explicitly by (A.27)

$$S''_{q=1} = \frac{1}{6} I'''_{q=1} = \frac{4\pi^3}{3} \left[\langle \hat{E} \hat{E} \hat{E} \rangle^c - \alpha^3 \langle \hat{Q} \hat{Q} \hat{Q} \rangle^c - 3\alpha \langle \hat{E} \hat{E} \hat{Q} \rangle^c + 3\alpha^2 \langle \hat{E} \hat{Q} \hat{Q} \rangle^c \right]_{\mathbb{S}_{q=1}^1 \times \mathbb{H}^{d-1}}, \quad (3.5)$$

which also works for general SCFTs with conserved R-symmetries in d -dimensions.

In the particular case of $6d$ (2,0) SCFTs, the operators in the above two- and three-point functions stay in the same multiplet, the stress tensor multiplet. Therefore both the first and second derivative of S_γ at $\gamma = 1$ are proportional to the central charge $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$ (1.1), as discussed in detail in appendix A.¹⁷ Because of this, we have

$$\frac{\partial_\gamma S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}]}{\partial_\gamma S_\gamma[\mathbf{u}(1)]} \Big|_{\gamma=1} = \frac{\partial_\gamma^2 S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}]}{\partial_\gamma^2 S_\gamma[\mathbf{u}(1)]} \Big|_{\gamma=1} = \frac{c_{\mathfrak{g}}}{c_{\mathbf{u}(1)}}. \quad (3.6)$$

This actually means we can fix

$$B = C = 4h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}} + r_{\mathfrak{g}}. \quad (3.7)$$

The remaining coefficient A will be fixed by (4.26) in section 4

$$A = h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}} + r_{\mathfrak{g}} \quad (3.8)$$

by studying the asymptotic $q := 1/\gamma \rightarrow 0$ behavior of the supersymmetric Rényi entropy. Obviously, the leading contribution in the limit $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$ is controlled only by A .

¹⁷This actually explains the universal ratio $4N^3$ between the explicit results on $\langle TT \rangle$, $\langle TTT \rangle$, $\langle JJ \rangle$, $\langle JJJ \rangle$ in holography and those in free tensor multiplets [32, 76].

3.3 A closed formula

As a summary, we can uniquely determine a closed formula of supersymmetric Rényi entropy for $(2, 0)$ SCFTs characterized by simply-laced Lie algebra \mathfrak{g}

$$S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}] = \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{12} (h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}} + r_{\mathfrak{g}}) (\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{r_1 r_2}{12} (4h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}} + r_{\mathfrak{g}}) (\gamma - 1)^2 + \frac{1 + 2r_1 r_2}{12} (4h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}} + r_{\mathfrak{g}}) (\gamma - 1) + \left(\frac{4h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}}}{3} + \frac{7r_{\mathfrak{g}}}{12} \right), \quad (3.9)$$

$$= \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{48} (7\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}} - 3\bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}}) (\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{r_1 r_2}{12} \bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}} (\gamma - 1)^2 + \frac{1 + 2r_1 r_2}{12} \bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}} (\gamma - 1) + \frac{7}{12} \bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}}, \quad (3.10)$$

where in the last line we have used the normalized Weyl anomalies defined in (1.1).

For a single $U(1)$ chemical potential,

$$r_1 = 1, \quad r_2 = 0, \quad (3.11)$$

the result is simplified to be

$$S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}] = \frac{1}{12} \bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}} (\gamma - 1) + \frac{7}{12} \bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}}, \quad (3.12)$$

$$= h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}} \left(\frac{1}{3} \gamma + 1 \right) + r_{\mathfrak{g}} \frac{(\gamma + 6)}{12}. \quad (3.13)$$

As for two $U(1)$ chemical potentials with equal values,

$$r_1 = r_2 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad (3.14)$$

the result is simplified to be

$$S_\gamma[\mathfrak{g}] = \frac{1}{192 \times 4} (7\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}} - 3\bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}}) (\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{1}{48} \bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}} (\gamma - 1)^2 + \frac{1}{8} \bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}} (\gamma - 1) + \frac{7}{12} \bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}}, \quad (3.15)$$

$$= \frac{175 + 67\gamma + 13\gamma^2 + \gamma^3}{192} h_{\mathfrak{g}}^\vee d_{\mathfrak{g}} + \frac{91 + 19\gamma + \gamma^2 + \gamma^3}{192} r_{\mathfrak{g}}. \quad (3.16)$$

4 $q \rightarrow 0$ asymptotics

In this section we discuss the relation between the $q \rightarrow 0$ limit ($\gamma \rightarrow \infty$) of supersymmetric Rényi entropy S_q and supersymmetric Casimir energy. Recall the definition of S_q

$$S_q = \frac{qI_1 - I_q}{1 - q}. \quad (4.1)$$

Assuming that in the limit $q \rightarrow 0$ the free energy behaves

$$I_q = I_{(0)} q^{-\alpha} + \dots, \quad (4.2)$$

where $\alpha \geq 0$, one can easily get

$$S_{q \rightarrow 0} = -I_{q \rightarrow 0} \quad (4.3)$$

in the leading order. This relation does not depend on which geometric background we are working on.

The idea is that, \mathbb{S}_q^d can be conformally mapped to $\mathbb{H}^1 \times \mathbb{S}_q^{d-1}$, therefore the Rényi entropy (or supersymmetric) is invariant [40]. In the case with supersymmetry, one has to make sure that in the limit $q \rightarrow 0$, the background field on \mathbb{S}_q^d coincides with that on $\mathbb{H}^1 \times \mathbb{S}_q^{d-1}$. If that is the case, the asymptotic supersymmetric Rényi entropy $S_{q \rightarrow 0}$ on \mathbb{S}_q^d will coincide with the minus free energy on $\mathbb{H}^1 \times \mathbb{S}_{q \rightarrow 0}^{d-1}$. The latter is determined by the supersymmetric Casimir energy [77]. We will illustrate the details in the following.

4.1 From \mathbb{S}_q^d to $\mathbb{H}^{d-p} \times \mathbb{S}_q^p$

We start with the conformal transformation from conic sphere \mathbb{S}_q^d to hyperbolic space $\mathbb{H}^{d-p} \times \mathbb{S}_q^p$. Of course \mathbb{S}_q^d can be considered as the special case of $p = d$.

In the particular case $p = 1$, the transformation is nothing but the Weyl transformation discussed in [40], which offers a convenient way to compute Rényi entropy of CFTs. In this case, the branched d -sphere is described as¹⁸

$$ds^2 = \sin^2 \theta q^2 d\tau^2 + d\theta^2 + \cos^2 \theta d^2 \Omega_{d-2}, \quad (4.4)$$

with domains of coordinates given by

$$\tau \in [0, 2\pi), \quad \theta \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right], \quad (4.5)$$

and Ω_{d-2} is a standard $d-2$ -dimensional round sphere. The metric (4.4) can be written as

$$ds^2 = \sin^2 \theta \left(q^2 d\tau^2 + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} d\theta^2 + \cot^2 \theta d^2 \Omega_{d-2} \right), \quad (4.6)$$

which can be related to the following space by dropping an overall factor $\sin^2 \theta$ and using a coordinate transformation $\cot \theta = \sinh \eta$

$$ds^2 = q^2 d\tau^2 + d\eta^2 + \sinh^2 \eta d^2 \Omega_{d-2}, \quad (4.7)$$

where $\eta \in [0, +\infty)$. This is the space of $\mathbb{H}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{S}_q^1$, which indeed fits the case of $p = 1$.

Now we consider the general cases, $1 \leq p < d$. The key observation is that, the branched sphere can be presented in different forms. For instance, we can represent \mathbb{S}_q^d as

$$ds^2 = \sin^2 \theta (d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi q^2 d\tau^2) + d\theta^2 + \cos^2 \theta d^2 \Omega_{d-3}, \quad (4.8)$$

with domains

$$\chi \in [0, \pi], \quad \tau \in [0, 2\pi), \quad \theta \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right], \quad (4.9)$$

and Ω_{d-3} is a standard $d-3$ -dimensional round sphere. Again by dropping an overall factor $\sin^2 \theta$ and using a coordinate transformation $\cot \theta = \sinh \eta$ for the metric (4.8), one obtains

$$ds^2 = d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi q^2 d\tau^2 + d\eta^2 + \sinh^2 \eta d^2 \Omega_{d-3}, \quad (4.10)$$

¹⁸We normalize the radius as unit.

which is the space $\mathbb{H}^{d-2} \times \mathbb{S}_q^2$ with $p = 2$. One can follow the same way to eventually figure out the Weyl transformations between \mathbb{S}_q^d and $\mathbb{H}^{d-p} \times \mathbb{S}_q^p$ for any integer $1 \leq p < d$.

Since the Rényi entropy on \mathbb{S}_q^d can not depend on which particular circle we choose to create the conical singularity, one eventually arrives at the conclusion by employing the same argument in [40]:¹⁹

The universal part of CFT_d Rényi entropy is invariant on $\mathbb{H}^{d-p} \times \mathbb{S}_q^p$ for different integer p , where $1 \leq p \leq d$.

For later purpose, let us discuss the particular case $p = d - 1$. In this case we describe the branched sphere \mathbb{S}_q^d as

$$ds^2 = \sin^2 \theta (d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi q^2 d\tau^2 + \cos^2 \chi d^2 \Omega_{d-3}) + d\theta^2, \quad (4.11)$$

with domains

$$\chi \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right], \quad \tau \in [0, 2\pi), \quad \theta \in [0, \pi]. \quad (4.12)$$

Again by dropping an overall factor $\sin^2 \theta$ for the metric (4.11), one obtains

$$ds^2 = d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi q^2 d\tau^2 + \cos^2 \chi d^2 \Omega_{d-3} + d\eta^2, \quad (4.13)$$

where $\cot \theta = \sinh \eta$ and $\eta \in (-\infty, +\infty)$. This is the space $\mathbb{S}_q^{d-1} \times \mathbb{H}^1$. Here we use \mathbb{H}^1 instead of \mathbb{R}^1 to emphasize that the volume of \mathbb{H}^d may be regularized. For free fields, one can compute the CFT Rényi entropy on $\mathbb{S}_q^{d-1} \times \mathbb{H}^1$ and show explicitly that the result agrees with that computed from \mathbb{S}_q^d or $\mathbb{S}_q^1 \times \mathbb{H}^{d-1}$. In consideration of supersymmetry, one has to add a background field A_τ along the replica τ circle inside \mathbb{S}_q^{d-1} , in order to find the agreement.

4.2 Coincidence of backgrounds

Our main concern is physical quantities for CFTs. For this purpose we can work on $\mathbb{S}_{\sqrt{q}}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{H}_{1/\sqrt{q}}^1$ instead of $\mathbb{S}_q^{d-1} \times \mathbb{H}^1$ because they are related by a scale transformation

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} [\mathbb{S}_q^{d-1} \times \mathbb{H}^1] = [\mathbb{S}_{\sqrt{q}}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{H}_{1/\sqrt{q}}^1]. \quad (4.14)$$

Furthermore, we focus on the limit $q \rightarrow 0$. For this purpose, one can instead consider $\mathbb{S}_{\sqrt{q}}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{S}_{1/\sqrt{q}}^1$ because it is equivalent to $\mathbb{S}_{\sqrt{q}}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{H}_{1/\sqrt{q}}^1$ in the limit $q \rightarrow 0$

$$\mathbb{S}_{\sqrt{q}}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{H}_{1/\sqrt{q}}^1 \Big|_{q \rightarrow 0} = \mathbb{S}_{\sqrt{q}}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{S}_{1/\sqrt{q}}^1 \Big|_{q \rightarrow 0}. \quad (4.15)$$

In consideration of supersymmetry, one can use the squashed sphere $\tilde{\mathbb{S}}_{\sqrt{q}}^{d-1}$ to replace the conic sphere $\mathbb{S}_{\sqrt{q}}^{d-1}$ in the right hand side of (4.15), because supersymmetric partition functions do not depend on the resolving factor [42, 49, 78–81].²⁰ Eq. (4.15) is useful in the

¹⁹Again by the universal part of Rényi entropy we refer to the scheme independent part.

²⁰For this reason, we will not distinguish d -1-dimensional squashed sphere and conic sphere in the following unless it is necessary.

sense that it offers a way to compute the asymptotic supersymmetric Rényi entropy for interacting SCFTs. To do this, one has to make sure that the background gauge field on $\mathbb{S}_{\sqrt{q}}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{S}_{1/\sqrt{q}}^1$ agrees with that on the original space \mathbb{S}_q^d . Fortunately we have more knowledge about supersymmetric partition functions on $\mathbb{S}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{S}^1$ or its generalized version $\mathbb{S}_b^{d-1} \times \mathbb{S}_\beta^1$, where b is the squashing parameter.

4.3 Squashed Casimir energy

Now we make a connection between the asymptotic Rényi entropy and Casimir energy. It is known that the partition function Z on $\mathbb{S}_b^{d-1} \times \mathbb{S}_\beta^1$ is determined by the Casimir energy on \mathbb{S}_b^{d-1} in the limit $\beta \rightarrow \infty$

$$E_c := - \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \partial_\beta \log Z(\beta), \tag{4.16}$$

which is equivalent to say

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \log Z(\beta) = -\beta E_c. \tag{4.17}$$

In this work, we concern the case with supersymmetry. In the particular case of $6d$ $(2, 0)$ theories, the supersymmetric Casimir energy has been studied in [82],²¹ where the authors considered a general 5-sphere with squashing parameters $\vec{\omega} = (\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3)$. The squashing parameters are defined as parameters appearing in the Killing vector

$$K = \omega_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_1} + \omega_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_2} + \omega_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_3}, \tag{4.18}$$

where ϕ_1, ϕ_2, ϕ_3 are three circles representing $U(1)^3$ isometries of \mathbb{S}^5 . The supersymmetric Casimir energy of an interacting $(2, 0)$ theory is [82]

$$E_{\mathfrak{g}} = r_{\mathfrak{g}} E_{u(1)} - d_{\mathfrak{g}} h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee} \frac{\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2}{24 \omega_1 \omega_2 \omega_3}, \tag{4.19}$$

where σ_1 and σ_2 are chemical potentials for the two Cartans of the $SO(5)$ R-symmetry and $E_{u(1)}$ is given by

$$E_{u(1)} = -\frac{1}{48 \omega_1 \omega_2 \omega_3} \left[\sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 - \sum_{i < j} \omega_i^2 \omega_j^2 + \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_j \omega_j^2 - \sigma_1^2 - \sigma_2^2 \right)^2 \right]. \tag{4.20}$$

For the particular case of $\mathbb{S}_q^5 \times \mathbb{S}^1$ (which is equivalent to $\mathbb{S}_{\sqrt{q}}^5 \times \mathbb{S}_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{q}}}^1$ for CFTs), we should identify the shape parameters as

$$\omega_1 = \omega_2 = 1, \quad \omega_3 = \frac{1}{q}. \tag{4.21}$$

In the limit $q \rightarrow 0$, in order to match our chemical potentials (2.14), we set σ_1 and σ_2 as²²

$$\sigma_1^2(q \rightarrow 0) = \frac{r_1^2}{q^2}, \quad \sigma_2^2(q \rightarrow 0) = \frac{r_2^2}{q^2}, \quad \text{with } r_1 + r_2 = 1. \tag{4.22}$$

²¹For the $6d$ $(2, 0)$ superconformal index, see [83–85].

²²The q scalings in chemical potentials appear following the convention in [82].

Evaluating (4.19) we get

$$E_{\mathfrak{g}} \Big|_{q \rightarrow 0} = -\frac{1}{24} \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{q^3} (r_{\mathfrak{g}} + d_{\mathfrak{g}} h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee}) . \quad (4.23)$$

Therefore the free energy²³

$$f[\mathbb{S}_{q \rightarrow 0}^5 \times \mathbb{S}^1] = \frac{1}{\pi^3} \beta E_{\mathfrak{g}} \Big|_{q \rightarrow 0} = -\frac{1}{12\pi^2} \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{q^3} (r_{\mathfrak{g}} + d_{\mathfrak{g}} h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee}) , \quad (4.24)$$

where we have divided a q -independent volume factor $\text{Vol} [\mathbb{D}^4 \times \mathbb{S}^1] = \pi^3$. Due to (4.15), we have

$$f[\mathbb{S}_{q \rightarrow 0}^5 \times \mathbb{S}^1] = f[\mathbb{S}_{q \rightarrow 0}^1 \times \mathbb{H}^5] , \quad (4.25)$$

from which we obtain the asymptotic supersymmetric Rényi entropy on $\mathbb{S}_q^1 \times \mathbb{H}^5$

$$S_{q \rightarrow 0}[\mathfrak{g}] = -I_{q \rightarrow 0}[\mathfrak{g}] = \frac{1}{12} \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{q^3} (r_{\mathfrak{g}} + d_{\mathfrak{g}} h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee}) . \quad (4.26)$$

This fixes the undetermined coefficient A in (3.1) as

$$A = r_{\mathfrak{g}} + h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee} d_{\mathfrak{g}} . \quad (4.27)$$

Notice that the fact that the free limit of (4.26) precisely agrees with the leading large γ term of (2.15) by itself is nontrivial, which confirms the validity of (4.25) in the free case.

5 Large N limit

In the large N limit of the (2,0) theory with $\mathfrak{g} = A_{N-1}$, the supersymmetric Rényi entropy (3.9) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{S_{\gamma}[A_{N \rightarrow \infty}]}{N^3} &= \frac{1}{12} r_1^2 r_2^2 (\gamma - 1)^3 + \frac{4}{12} r_1 r_2 (\gamma - 1)^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{4}{12} (1 + 2r_1 r_2) (\gamma - 1) + \frac{4}{3} . \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

We will demonstrate in this section that the above large N result precisely agrees with the holographic result from the seven-dimensional BPS topological black hole in gauged supergravity.

5.1 Gauged supergravity

The seven-dimensional gauged $\text{SO}(5)$ supergravity can be obtained by Kaluza-Klein reduction of eleven-dimensional supergravity on \mathbb{S}^4 . For our purpose, we consider a truncation where only the metric, two gauge fields associated to two Cartans of $\text{SO}(5)$ and two scalars are retained. The seven-dimensional Lagrangian is given by [86]

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \mathcal{L} = R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial \vec{\phi})^2 - \frac{4}{L^2} V - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{1}{X_i^2} \left(F_{(2)}^i \right)^2 , \quad (5.2)$$

²³ $f := \frac{I}{V}$.

where $\vec{\phi} = (\phi_1, \phi_2)$ are two scalars and

$$X_i = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\vec{a}_i \cdot \vec{\phi}}, \quad i = 1, 2. \quad \vec{a}_1 = \left(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \right), \quad \vec{a}_2 = \left(-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \right). \quad (5.3)$$

The potential is given by

$$V = -4X_1X_2 - 2X_0X_1 - 2X_0X_2 + \frac{1}{2}X_0^2, \quad X_0 = \frac{1}{X_1X_2}. \quad (5.4)$$

Note that for two equal scalars and two equal gauge strengths, the Lagrangian (5.2) can be further truncated. Turn to the CFT side, 6d (2, 0) theories have global SO(5) R-symmetry, which corresponds to the SO(5) gauge group in the bulk supergravity. Also there could be two U(1) background fields used to compensate the singularity on \mathbb{S}_q^6 , which correspond to A^1, A^2 in the gauged supergravity.

5.2 Topological black hole

The 2-charge 7d AdS black hole solution for (5.2) was found in [86]

$$ds_7^2 = -\frac{1}{[h_1h_2]^{\frac{4}{5}}} f(r) dt^2 + [h_1h_2]^{\frac{1}{5}} \left(\frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2 d\Omega_{5,k}^2 \right)$$

$$f(r) = k - \frac{m}{r^4} + \frac{r^2}{L^2} h_1 h_2, \quad h_i = 1 + \frac{q_i}{r^4}, \quad (5.5)$$

together with scalars and gauge fields

$$X_i = \frac{[h_1h_2]^{\frac{2}{5}}}{h_i}, \quad A^i = \left[\sqrt{k} \left(\frac{1}{h_i} - 1 \right) + \mu_i \right] dt. \quad (5.6)$$

$d\Omega_{5,k}^2$ is the metric on a unit \mathbb{S}^5 , \mathbb{T}^5 or \mathbb{H}^5 corresponding to $k = 1, 0, -1$, respectively. Since our concern is the 6d SCFT on $\mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{H}^5$, we are particularly interested in the extremal solution with hyperbolic foliation, where $m = 0$ and $k = -1$. We will first proceed in Lorentz signature and assume a well-defined Wick rotation.

The solution (5.5) is a BPS topological black hole with two charges. For convenience, define a rescaled charge

$$\kappa_i = \frac{q_i}{r_H^4}, \quad (5.7)$$

where the horizon r_H is the largest root of the equation

$$f(r_H) = 0. \quad (5.8)$$

Then the horizon can be expressed in terms of κ_i

$$r_H = \frac{L}{\sqrt{(1 + \kappa_1)(1 + \kappa_2)}}. \quad (5.9)$$

The Hawking temperature of this black hole is

$$T = \frac{f'(r)}{4\pi\sqrt{h_1h_2}} \Big|_{r=r_H}$$

$$= \frac{1 - \kappa_1 - \kappa_2 - 3\kappa_1\kappa_2}{2\pi L(1 + \kappa_1)(1 + \kappa_2)}. \quad (5.10)$$

When all charges vanish, we get to the temperature of the uncharged black hole

$$T_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi L} . \tag{5.11}$$

The Bekenstein-Hawking entropy is given by the outer horizon area

$$S = \frac{V_5 L^5}{4G_7} \frac{1}{(1 + \kappa_1)^2 (1 + \kappa_2)^2} , \tag{5.12}$$

where G_7 is the seven dimensional Newton constant and V_5 is the regularized volume of \mathbb{H}^5 . The total charge Q_i can be computed by Gauss law

$$\begin{aligned} Q_i &= \frac{1}{16\pi G_7} \int_{r \rightarrow \infty} -\sqrt{g} F^{rt} = \frac{V_5}{4\pi G_7} i q_i \\ &= \frac{V_5 L^4}{4\pi G_7} \frac{i \kappa_i}{(1 + \kappa_1)^2 (1 + \kappa_2)^2} . \end{aligned} \tag{5.13}$$

The chemical potential is

$$\mu_i = \frac{i}{\kappa_i^{-1} + 1} . \tag{5.14}$$

5.3 Precise check

To match the background gauge fields of the boundary CFT, we set

$$\mu_1 = i(1 - \gamma) \frac{r_1}{2} , \quad \mu_2 = i(1 - \gamma) \frac{r_2}{2} , \quad \text{with } r_1 + r_2 = 1 . \tag{5.15}$$

By using these inputs, we can solve κ_1 and κ_2 by (5.14). Then all physical quantities T, S, Q_i can be worked out explicitly. One can eventually compute the holographic supersymmetric Rényi entropy using the formula derived in [42]

$$S_q = \frac{q}{1 - q} \int_q^1 \left(\frac{S(n)}{n^2} - \frac{Q_i(n) \mu'_i(n)}{T_0} \right) dn . \tag{5.16}$$

Written in terms of $\gamma := 1/q$, the result is given by

$$S_\gamma = \frac{L^5 \pi^2}{4G_7} \left[\frac{r_1^2 r_2^2 (\gamma - 1)^3}{16} + \frac{(1 + 2r_1 r_2)(\gamma - 1)}{4} + \frac{(\gamma - 1)^2 r_1 r_2}{4} + 1 \right] . \tag{5.17}$$

By identifying the bulk and boundary parameters,

$$\frac{L^5 \pi^2}{4G_7} = \frac{4}{3} N^3 , \tag{5.18}$$

one can write the holographic result as

$$S_\gamma = N^3 \left(\frac{r_1^2 r_2^2 (\gamma - 1)^3}{12} + \frac{(1 + 2r_1 r_2)(\gamma - 1)}{3} + \frac{(\gamma - 1)^2 r_1 r_2}{3} + \frac{4}{3} \right) . \tag{5.19}$$

This precisely agrees with the field theory result (5.1).

6 A possible a/c bound

As what has been observed in $4d$ SCFTs [45], the Rényi entropy inequalities indicate a/c bounds in field theories²⁴

$$\partial_q H_q \leq 0, \tag{6.1}$$

$$\partial_q \left(\frac{q-1}{q} H_q \right) \geq 0, \tag{6.2}$$

$$\partial_q ((q-1)H_q) \geq 0, \tag{6.3}$$

$$\partial_q^2 ((q-1)H_q) \leq 0, \tag{6.4}$$

where $H_q := S_q/S_1$. Imposing these conditions to our results (3.10)(3.12)(3.15), one obtains

$$0 < \frac{\bar{c}}{\bar{a}} \leq \frac{7}{3}, \tag{6.5}$$

or equivalently

$$\frac{\bar{a}}{\bar{c}} \geq \frac{3}{7}. \tag{6.6}$$

This lower bound can be derived alternatively by requiring a non-negative specific heat. In the limit $q \rightarrow 0$, the energy of the system can be read from (3.10)

$$E_{q \rightarrow 0} := \frac{1}{2\pi} \partial_q F_{q \rightarrow 0} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \partial_q S_{q \rightarrow 0} = V_5 \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{(7\bar{a} - 3\bar{c})}{q^4} = V_5 \pi \frac{r_1^2 r_2^2}{2} (7\bar{a} - 3\bar{c}) T^4, \tag{6.7}$$

where $T = 1/\beta = \frac{1}{2\pi q}$. It follows from the stability of the ensemble that the specific heat must be non-negative, $\frac{\partial E}{\partial T} \geq 0$, which gives (6.6).

Note that all the a, c data of the currently known $6d$ $(2, 0)$ SCFTs, listed in table 1 in appendix B, satisfy the inequality (6.5)(6.6). The lowest \bar{a}/\bar{c} value in the current data, $4/7$, supported by the large N limits, is greater than our bound $3/7$. Note that the expression of supersymmetric Rényi entropy in terms of a, c anomalies could work for theories beyond the ADE type. It would be interesting to understand whether our bound implies new $(2, 0)$ SCFTs. It would also be interesting to understand similar bounds in SCFTs with less supersymmetry. We leave these questions for future work.

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²⁴The validity of these inequalities for supersymmetric Rényi entropy is expected although a proof is still in preparation.

A Near $q = 1$ expansion

We study the perturbative expansion of supersymmetric Rényi entropy (associated with spherical entangling surface) around $q = 1$. This can be considered as an extension of the previous study of the ordinary Rényi entropy near $q = 1$. Although our main concern will be $6d$ $(2,0)$ SCFTs, we keep the discussions in this section valid for any SCFT with conserved R-symmetries in d -dimensions.

Following the way in [52, 53],²⁵ we consider the supersymmetric partition function on $\mathbb{S}_q^1 \times \mathbb{H}^{d-1}$ with background gauge fields (R-symmetry chemical potentials), which can be used to compute the supersymmetric Rényi entropy across a spherical entangling surface, see \mathbb{S}^{d-2} , in flat space. We work in grand canonical ensemble. The partition function on $\mathbb{S}_{\beta=2\pi q}^1 \times \mathbb{H}^{d-1}$ can be written as

$$Z[\beta, \mu] = \text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E} - \mu\hat{Q})} \right). \quad (\text{A.1})$$

The state variables can be computed as follows

$$E = \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial \beta} \right)_\mu - \frac{\mu}{\beta} \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial \mu} \right)_\beta, \quad (\text{A.2})$$

$$S = \beta \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial \beta} \right)_\mu - I, \quad (\text{A.3})$$

$$Q = -\frac{1}{\beta} \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial \mu} \right)_\beta, \quad (\text{A.4})$$

where $I := -\log Z$. Therefore we get energy expectation value by (A.2)

$$E = \frac{\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E} - \mu\hat{Q})} \hat{E} \right)}{\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E} - \mu\hat{Q})} \right)}, \quad (\text{A.5})$$

and the charge expectation value by (A.4)

$$Q = \frac{\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E} - \mu\hat{Q})} \hat{Q} \right)}{\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E} - \mu\hat{Q})} \right)}. \quad (\text{A.6})$$

In the presence of supersymmetry, both inverse temperature β and chemical potential μ are functions of a single variable q therefore I is considered as

$$I_q := I[\beta(q), \mu(q)]. \quad (\text{A.7})$$

The supersymmetric Rényi entropy is defined as

$$S_q = \frac{qI_1 - I_q}{1 - q}. \quad (\text{A.8})$$

Consider the Taylor expansion around $q = 1$, with $\delta q = q - 1$,

$$S_q = S_{\text{EE}} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\partial^n I_q}{\partial q^n} \right)_{q=1} \delta q^{n-1}. \quad (\text{A.9})$$

²⁵See [54] from the viewpoint of twisted operator.

A.1 $\partial_q I_q$

We will first consider $\partial_q I_q$. The first derivative with respect to q can be written as

$$\frac{dI_q}{dq} = \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial \beta} \right)_\mu \beta'(q) + \left(\frac{\partial I}{\partial \mu} \right)_\beta \mu'(q). \quad (\text{A.10})$$

Using (A.2) and (A.4), we can rewrite it as

$$\frac{dI_q}{dq} = (E - \mu Q) \beta'(q) - \beta Q \mu'(q). \quad (\text{A.11})$$

The q -dependence of the temperature and the chemical potential can be read off from the supersymmetric background (including metric and R-symmetry gauge field),

$$\beta(q) = 2\pi q, \quad \mu(q) = \alpha \frac{q-1}{q}, \quad (\text{A.12})$$

where $\beta(q)$ is determined by the geometric fact and $\mu(q)$ is solved from the Killing spinor equation on the background. α is some number which may be different in various rigid supersymmetric backgrounds.²⁶ The first q -derivative of I_q is simplified by using (A.12)

$$I'_q = 2\pi(E - \alpha Q). \quad (\text{A.13})$$

Notice that in general both E and Q are functions of q . Also E and Q here are expectation values rather than operators.

A.2 $S'_{q=1}$ and $I''_{q=1}$

From (A.9) we see that

$$S'_{q=1} = \frac{1}{2} I''_{q=1}. \quad (\text{A.14})$$

Let us take one more derivative above on the first derivative (A.13) and take use of (A.5) and (A.6)

$$I''_q = -4\pi^2 \left(\frac{\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})} (\hat{E} - \alpha\hat{Q})^2 \right)}{\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})} \right)} - \frac{\left[\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})} (\hat{E} - \alpha\hat{Q}) \right) \right]^2}{\left[\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})} \right) \right]^2} \right), \quad (\text{A.15})$$

which can be simplified in the limit $q \rightarrow 1$ by using $\mu = 0$ at $q = 1$

$$S'_{q=1} = -2\pi^2 \left(\frac{\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta\hat{E}} (\hat{E} - \alpha\hat{Q})^2 \right)}{\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta\hat{E}} \right)} - \frac{\left[\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta\hat{E}} (\hat{E} - \alpha\hat{Q}) \right) \right]^2}{\left[\text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta\hat{E}} \right) \right]^2} \right)_{q=1}. \quad (\text{A.16})$$

This can be rewritten as connected correlators

$$S'_{q=1} = -2\pi^2 \left[\langle \hat{E}\hat{E} \rangle^c + \alpha^2 \langle \hat{Q}\hat{Q} \rangle^c - 2\alpha \langle \hat{E}\hat{Q} \rangle^c \right]_{\mathbb{S}^1_{q=1} \times \mathbb{H}^{d-1}}, \quad (\text{A.17})$$

²⁶ α characterizes the weight of the chemical potential. In the case of multiple chemical potentials, one should use $\alpha_{i=1,2,\dots,R}$, where R denotes the number of U(1) R-symmetry Cartans. i should be summed over for $\alpha_i Q^i$.

where we have used $[\hat{E}, \hat{Q}] = 0$ to flip the order of \hat{E} and \hat{Q} . Given that $\langle \hat{E}\hat{Q} \rangle^c = 0$ and $\langle \hat{E}\hat{E} \rangle^c$ has been computed in [52], we get

$$S'_{q=1} = -V_{d-1} \frac{\pi^{d/2+1} \Gamma(d/2)(d-1)}{(d+1)!} C_T - 2\pi^2 \alpha^2 \int_{\mathbb{H}^{d-1}} \int_{\mathbb{H}^{d-1}} \langle J_\tau(x) J_\tau(y) \rangle_{q=1}^c. \quad (\text{A.18})$$

C_T is defined in the flat space correlator

$$\langle T_{ab}(x) T_{cd}(0) \rangle = \frac{C_T}{x^{2d}} I_{ab,cd}(x), \quad (\text{A.19})$$

where

$$I_{ab,cd}(x) = \frac{1}{2} (I_{ac}(x) I_{bd}(x) + I_{ad}(x) I_{bc}(x)) - \frac{1}{d} \delta_{ab} \delta_{cd}, \quad I_{ab}(x) = \delta_{ab} - 2 \frac{x_a x_b}{x^2}. \quad (\text{A.20})$$

Now the task is to compute the second term in (A.18). Following the way of computing $\langle TT \rangle$ on the hyperbolic space $\mathbb{S}_{q=1}^1 \times \mathbb{H}^{d-1}$, one can take use of the flat space correlators in the CFT vacuum. The result is²⁷

$$\langle \hat{Q}\hat{Q} \rangle^c = -\frac{\pi^{\frac{d-1}{2}} V_{d-1}}{2^{d-2} (d-1) \Gamma(\frac{d-1}{2})} C_v, \quad (\text{A.21})$$

where C_v is defined in the current correlator in flat space

$$\langle J_a(x) J_b(0) \rangle = \frac{C_v}{x^{2(d-1)}} I_{ab}(x). \quad (\text{A.22})$$

Then our final result of $S'_{q=1}$ becomes

$$S'_{q=1} = -V_{d-1} \left(\frac{\pi^{\frac{d}{2}+1} \Gamma(\frac{d}{2})(d-1)}{(d+1)!} C_T - \alpha^2 \frac{\pi^{\frac{d+3}{2}}}{2^{d-3} (d-1) \Gamma(\frac{d-1}{2})} C_v \right), \quad (\text{A.23})$$

which tells us that the first q -derivative of supersymmetric Rényi entropy at $q = 1$ is given by a linear combination of C_T and C_v .²⁸ This is intuitively expected because in the presence of supersymmetry, taking the derivative with respect to q is equivalent to taking the derivative with respect to $g_{\tau\tau}$ and A_τ in the same time.²⁹ q -deformation can be often equivalent to the squashing $b := \sqrt{q}$, therefore this formula also shows the relation between $\partial_{b=1}^2$ of the free energy on squashed sphere and flat space correlators. It is clear from the above derivation that this formula works both for free theories and interacting SCFTs in general d -dimensions. In the particular case of $6d$ $(2,0)$ SCFTs, the 2-point function of the stress tensor is determined by the central charge $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$ in (1.1) [23, 24]. Therefore the integrated 2-point function is proportional to $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$. Furthermore, $S'_{q=1}$ is also proportional to $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$, because the stress tensor and the R-current in the right hand side of (A.23) live in the same multiplet.³⁰ The same thing happens in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM [44].

²⁷ $\langle J\hat{Q} \rangle$ was first computed in [55].

²⁸In another word, a linear combination of the integrated stress tensor 2-point function and the integrated R-current 2-point function.

²⁹This was first suggested in [44].

³⁰For $(2,0)$ tensor multiplet, this supermultiplet was studied explicitly in [56].

A.3 $S''_{q=1}$ and $I'''_{q=1}$

From (A.9) we see that

$$S''_{q=1} = \frac{1}{6} I'''_{q=1}. \quad (\text{A.24})$$

One may go straightforward to compute I'''_q by taking one more derivative above on (A.15)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{I'''_q}{8\pi^3} &= \frac{\text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})} (\hat{E}-\alpha\hat{Q})^3\right)}{\text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})}\right)} - 3 \frac{\text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})} (\hat{E}-\alpha\hat{Q})^2\right) \text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})} (\hat{E}-\alpha\hat{Q})\right)}{\left[\text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})}\right)\right]^2} \\ &\quad + 2 \frac{\left[\text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})} (\hat{E}-\alpha\hat{Q})\right)\right]^3}{\left[\text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta(\hat{E}-\mu\hat{Q})}\right)\right]^3}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.25})$$

which may be simplified at $q = 1$ where $\mu = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{I'''_{q=1}}{8\pi^3} &= \left(\frac{\text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta\hat{E}} (\hat{E}-\alpha\hat{Q})^3\right)}{\text{Tr}e^{-\beta\hat{E}}} - 3 \frac{\text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta\hat{E}} (\hat{E}-\alpha\hat{Q})^2\right) \text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta\hat{E}} (\hat{E}-\alpha\hat{Q})\right)}{\left[\text{Tr}e^{-\beta\hat{E}}\right]^2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2 \frac{\left[\text{Tr}\left(e^{-\beta\hat{E}} (\hat{E}-\alpha\hat{Q})\right)\right]^3}{\left[\text{Tr}e^{-\beta\hat{E}}\right]^3} \right)_{q=1}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.26})$$

This can be further written in terms of connected correlation functions,

$$S''_{q=1} = \frac{1}{6} I'''_{q=1} = \frac{4\pi^3}{3} \left[\langle \hat{E}\hat{E}\hat{E} \rangle^c - \alpha^3 \langle \hat{Q}\hat{Q}\hat{Q} \rangle^c - 3\alpha \langle \hat{E}\hat{E}\hat{Q} \rangle^c + 3\alpha^2 \langle \hat{E}\hat{Q}\hat{Q} \rangle^c \right]_{\mathbb{S}_{q=1}^1 \times \mathbb{H}^{d-1}}, \quad (\text{A.27})$$

where we have used $[\hat{E}, \hat{Q}] = 0$ because \hat{Q} is conserved charge. The integrated correlators in (A.27) can be computed by transforming the corresponding flat space correlators, $\langle TTT \rangle, \langle JJJ \rangle, \langle TTJ \rangle, \langle TJJ \rangle$ in the CFT vacuum.³¹ These correlators in flat space can be determined up to some coefficients for general CFTs in d -dimensions by conformal Wald identities [57, 58]. In the presence of $6d(2,0)$ superconformal symmetry, both the 2- and 3-point functions of the stress tensor multiplet are uniquely determined in terms of a single parameter, the central charge $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$ [23, 24]. And the right hand side of (A.27) should be proportional to $c_{\mathfrak{g}}$, because the stress tensor and the R-current belong to the same multiplet.³² The same thing can be seen in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM [44].

³¹We leave the explicit computations of these correlators elsewhere.

³²By representation theory, the stress tensor belongs to a half BPS multiplet. In superspace, the 2-, 3- and 4-point functions of all half BPS multiplets are known to admit a unique structure [59–61].

B Data of simply-laced Lie algebra \mathfrak{g}

\mathfrak{g}	$r_{\mathfrak{g}}$	$h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee}$	$d_{\mathfrak{g}}$	$\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}}$	$\bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}}$	$\bar{a}_{\mathfrak{g}}/\bar{c}_{\mathfrak{g}}$
A_{n-1}	$n-1$	n	n^2-1	$\frac{16}{7}n^3 - \frac{9}{7}n - 1$	$4n^3 - 3n - 1$	$\frac{3}{7(2n+1)^2} + \frac{4}{7}$
D_n	n	$2n-2$	$n(2n-1)$	$\frac{64}{7}n^3 - \frac{96}{7}n^2 + \frac{39}{7}n$	$16n^3 - 24n^2 + 9n$	$\frac{3}{7(3-4n)^2} + \frac{4}{7}$
E_6	6	12	78	$\frac{15018}{7}$	3750	~ 0.572114
E_7	7	18	133	5479	9583	~ 0.571742
E_8	8	30	248	$\frac{119096}{7}$	29768	$\sim 0.571544 > \frac{4}{7}$

Table 1. The rank $r_{\mathfrak{g}}$, dual Coxeter number $h_{\mathfrak{g}}^{\vee}$, dimension $d_{\mathfrak{g}}$ of the simply-laced Lie algebras and the normalized a, c anomalies for the associated $6d$ $(2, 0)$ SCFTs [22].

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