

The different phases of hairy black holes in AdS₅ space

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We investigate the thermodynamics of hairy black holes in asymptotically Anti-de Sitter (AdS) space, including backreaction. Resorting to the Euclidean path integral approach, we show that matter conformally coupled to Einstein gravity in five dimensions may exhibit a phase transition whose endpoint turns out to be a hairy black hole in AdS₅ space. The scalar field configuration happens to be regular everywhere outside and on the horizon, and behaves asymptotically in such a way that respects the AdS boundary conditions that are relevant for AdS/CFT. The theory presents other peculiar features in the ultraviolet, like the existence of black holes with arbitrarily low temperature in AdS₅. This provides a simple setup in which the fully backreacting problem of a hair forming in AdS at certain critical temperature can be solved analytically.

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I. INTRODUCTION

According to AdS/CFT correspondence [1], asymptotically five-dimensional Anti-de Sitter (AdS₅) black holes describe the dynamics of finite temperature phases of four dimensional gauge theories [2]. Phenomena such as confinement, thermalization, and phase transitions are all described holographically in terms of classical black hole geometries in AdS space. In the study of holographic superconductors, for instance, the gravity dual description is that of a scalar field condensating around an asymptotically AdS black hole at sufficiently low temperature [3, 4]. When forming in the bulk, the scalar hair induces the expectation value of operators in the dual field theory.

The relation between bulk and boundary phases makes that solving the backreacting problem in the AdS black hole background analytically is of big interest, as it would provide a detailed description of finite temperature regimes of strongly coupled systems and, in particular, their phase transitions. Unfortunately, solving the problem taking into account backreaction is highly non-trivial, and the models in which one can actually do so explicitly are limited and hard to come up with. However, a notably simple scenario in which the problem can be solved analytically is provided by general relativity (GR) coupled to conformally coupled scalar field matter. In fact, this model does admit hairy black holes in asymptotically flat and asymptotically (A)dS spaces in arbitrary dimensions $D > 4$, [5]. The scalar field configuration of these hairy black holes is regular everywhere outside and on the horizon, and in the case

of negative cosmological constant it behaves asymptotically in a manner that respects the AdS boundary conditions relevant for AdS/CFT. In this paper, we will study the thermodynamics of these hairy black hole solutions and, in particular, their phase transition. We will show that, at high temperature, black holes with non-vanishing scalar hair configurations are thermodynamically favored with respect to the non-hairy Schwarzschild-AdS₅ solution and thermal AdS₅. Below certain critical temperature, the theory undergoes a phase transition of the Hawking-Page type [6] and the dominant configuration happens to be thermal AdS₅. The presence of the scalar conformal field also changes the thermodynamics of the theory at short distance: In particular, we will show that, unlike what happens in GR in absence of matter, small black holes with conformally coupled scalar hair with arbitrarily low temperature exist in AdS₅. These small black holes present a positive specific heat, and, as a consequence of that, become stable under Hawking radiation, yielding a remnant with finite mass. However, these small black holes are not stable under tunneling transitions; for the range of temperatures they exhibit, the free energy of thermal AdS₅ is actually lower.

The paper is organized as follows: In Section II we introduce the theory, consisting of scalar field matter conformally coupled to GR in five dimensions. In Section III we review the main properties of the hairy black hole solutions in AdS₅ space. In Section IV we compute the mass of these black holes using the Hamiltonian formalism, which we later confirm by using Euclidean action methods. In Section V, we study the thermodynamics of AdS₅ black holes including the effects of the scalar field hair. In Section VI, we consider the Euclidean action in the saddle point approximation and derive the mass, the entropy, and the free energy of the hairy black hole solutions. This allows us to study, in Section VII, the phase transitions between different configurations that coexist at different ranges of temperature. We present our con-

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clusions in Section VIII.

II. THE THEORY

In D space-time dimensions we consider the action

$$\mathcal{I} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} (R - 2\Lambda + \kappa \mathcal{L}(\phi, \nabla\phi)) \quad (1)$$

where $\kappa = 16\pi G$ and where $\mathcal{L}(\phi, \nabla\phi)$ represents the Lagrangian of a conformally coupled real scalar field. Apart from the requirement of conformal invariance, the matter Lagrangian is chosen in a way it yields second order field equations. Provided these requirements, $\mathcal{L}(\phi, \nabla\phi)$ can be identified uniquely [7].

To express the conformal matter content in a succinct way, it is convenient to introduce the four-rank tensor¹

$$S_{\mu\nu}{}^{\gamma\delta} = \phi^2 R_{\mu\nu}{}^{\gamma\delta} - 12\delta_{[\mu}^{[\gamma} \delta_{\nu]}^{\delta]} \nabla_\rho \phi \nabla^\rho \phi - 48\phi \delta_{[\mu}^{[\gamma} \nabla_{\nu]} \nabla^{\delta]} \phi + 18\delta_{[\mu}^{[\gamma} \nabla_{\nu]} \phi \nabla^{\delta]} \phi \quad (2)$$

which can be shown to transform covariantly under Weyl rescaling. More precisely, if one performs the Weyl transformation

$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \Omega^2 g_{\mu\nu}, \quad \phi \rightarrow \Omega^{-1/3} \phi \quad (3)$$

tensor (2) transforms as

$$S_{\mu\nu}{}^{\gamma\delta} \rightarrow \Omega^{-8/3} S_{\mu\nu}{}^{\gamma\delta}. \quad (4)$$

In terms of this tensor, the matter Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}(\phi, \nabla\phi)$ takes the form

$$\mathcal{L}(\phi, \nabla\phi) = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{D-1}{2} \rfloor} b_k \frac{k!}{2^k} \phi^{3D-8k} \delta_{[\alpha_1}^{\mu_1} \delta_{\beta_1}^{\nu_1} \dots \delta_{\alpha_k}^{\mu_k} \delta_{\beta_k}^{\nu_k}] \times S^{\alpha_1 \beta_1}_{\mu_1 \nu_1} \dots S^{\alpha_k \beta_k}_{\mu_k \nu_k}, \quad (5)$$

where the symbol $[n]$ stands for the integer part of n .

In $D = 4$ dimensions, after the field redefinition $\phi \rightarrow \phi^{1/3}$, Lagrangian (5) corresponds to the conformally coupled matter consisting of a canonically normalized scalar field coupled to the spacetime curvature with a term $-\frac{1}{12}R\phi^2$ and with a $\lambda\phi^4$ potential; see [5, 7] for details. In $D = 5$, which is the case we are interested in here, Lagrangian (5) takes the form

$$\mathcal{L}(\phi, \nabla\phi) = \phi^{15} \left(b_0 \mathcal{S}^{(0)} + b_1 \phi^{-8} \mathcal{S}^{(1)} + b_2 \phi^{-16} \mathcal{S}^{(2)} \right) \quad (6)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}^{(0)} &= 1, \\ \mathcal{S}^{(1)} &= S \equiv g^{\mu\nu} S_{\mu\nu} \equiv g^{\mu\nu} \delta_\sigma^\rho S_{\mu\rho\nu}^\sigma, \\ \mathcal{S}^{(2)} &= S_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} S^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} - 4S_{\mu\nu} S^{\mu\nu} + S^2. \end{aligned}$$

This contains higher-curvature couplings, and such couplings are actually the reason why this model happens to circumvent no-hair theorems [5]. Notice that all terms in Lagrangian (6) are well-behaved in the limit ϕ going to zero (including the third one) since the tensor $S_{\mu\nu}{}^{\gamma\delta}$ is quadratic in the scalar field.

Field equations coming from action (1) are Einstein equations

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} = \kappa T_{\mu\nu} \quad (7)$$

with the energy-momentum tensor

$$T_\mu^\nu = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{D-1}{2} \rfloor} \frac{k! b_k}{2^{k+1}} \phi^{3D-8k} \delta_{[\mu}^{\nu} \delta_{\rho_1}^{\lambda_1} \dots \delta_{\rho_{2k}}^{\lambda_{2k}}] \times S^{\rho_1 \rho_2}_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2} \dots S^{\rho_{2k-1} \rho_{2k}}_{\lambda_{2k-1} \lambda_{2k}}, \quad (8)$$

and the equation for the scalar field

$$0 = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{D-1}{2} \rfloor} \frac{(D-2k) k! b_k}{2^k} \phi^{3D-8k-1} \delta_{[\alpha_1}^{\mu_1} \delta_{\beta_1}^{\nu_1} \dots \delta_{\alpha_k}^{\mu_k} \delta_{\beta_k}^{\nu_k}] \times S^{\alpha_1 \beta_1}_{\mu_1 \nu_1} \dots S^{\alpha_k \beta_k}_{\mu_k \nu_k}. \quad (9)$$

Equations (7)-(9) are of second order both in the metric and in the scalar field. When these equations are imposed, the trace of energy-momentum tensor (8) of course vanishes.

III. BLACK HOLE SOLUTION

The theory defined by action (1) admits analytic black hole solutions with non-vanishing scalar field [5]. These solutions co-exist with those of GR, that also solve (7)-(9) with $\phi = 0$. The hairy ($\phi \neq 0$) black hole solutions, which admit horizons of diverse topology, are known analytically and present interesting properties, especially a very interesting thermodynamics. The scalar field configuration is regular everywhere outside and on the horizon, and backreacts on the metric in such a way that the mass of the black hole remains finite. Moreover, the scalar field and the deformation of the metric due to its backreaction vanish at large distance sufficiently fast for the (A)dS asymptotics not to result distorted.

The metric of these black hole solutions take the form

$$ds^2 = -N^2(r) f(r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2 d\Omega_3^2 \quad (10)$$

with

$$f(r) = 1 - \frac{m}{r^2} - \frac{q}{r^3} - \frac{\Lambda}{6} r^2, \quad N^2(r) = 1; \quad (11)$$

and where $d\Omega_3^2$ is the metric of the unit 3-sphere, which has volume $V = 2\pi^2$. Here, we will be concerned with

¹ This corresponds to considering the choice $s = -1/3$ in Eq. (2) of Ref. [7].

the case $\Lambda < 0$. Solution (10)-(11) shares some features with the lower-dimensional hairy black holes² [9]-[14].

The scalar hair configuration is

$$\phi(r) = \frac{n}{r^{1/3}} \quad (12)$$

which is regular everywhere but at the origin. The scalar field backreacts on the geometry through the term $\sim 1/r^3$ in (11), which, as said, does not spoil the AdS₅ asymptotic behavior of the metric near the boundary.

Parameter m in (11) is an arbitrary integration constant, while n in (12) and q in (11) are fixed in terms of the couplings b_i ($i = 0, 1, 2$) by the following relations

$$q = \frac{64\pi G}{5} b_1 n^9, \quad n = \varepsilon \left(-\frac{18}{5} \frac{b_1}{b_0} \right)^{1/6}, \quad (13)$$

where $\varepsilon = -1, 0, +1$. Conditions (13) and the field equations also imply a special relation between the coupling constants b_i , which are constrained to obey the equation

$$10b_0 b_2 = 9b_1^2; \quad (14)$$

see [5] for a discussion. This can be phrasing as the solution (10)-(12), which exists in the theory defined at the point (14) of the parameter space, represents a particle-like object with *charge* taking only three possible values: $-|q|$, 0 , or $+|q|$ (that is to say, n in (12) takes the values $-|n|$, 0 , or $+|n|$). However, the solution with $q > 0$ is somehow pathological; consequently, here we will mainly focus in the case $q \leq 0$.

IV. CONSERVED CHARGES

Before going into the discussion of thermodynamics, let us compute the mass of the black hole solution (10)-(11). The most convenient way to do this is resorting to the Hamiltonian formalism and working in the minisuperspace approach.

One evaluates the action functional in an ansatz compatible with the stationary configuration (10) and integrates in time in an interval $(t, t + \Delta t)$. The lapse function $N(r)$ in (10) enters as a Lagrange multiplier whose coefficient, when varying the action, gives the variation of the energy. Then, the method is varying the action and isolating the term proportional to $N(r)$ taking care of boundary terms appropriately -derivatives of $N(r)$ appear in the expression and one gets rid of them by integrating by parts-. The variation of the action finally reads

$$\delta\mathcal{I} \approx -\frac{3\pi}{8G} N(\infty) \Delta t r^2 \delta f(r), \quad (15)$$

with $\delta f(r) = -\delta m/r^2$. From this, one reads the boundary term $\delta\mathcal{B}$ needed in the action to cancel the variation; and since $N(r)$ is the Lagrange multiplier proportional to the conserved energy, one reads from (15) the value of the mass M ,

$$M = \frac{3\pi}{8G} m - M_0. \quad (16)$$

where M_0 is a constant to be determined. The interpretation of M_0 is that of the energy of the background respect to which one measures the black hole mass. A natural proposal for M_0 is, of course, this to be zero. However, there are in principle other possibilities. For instance, another choice for M_0 could be the minimum value of the parameter $3\pi m/(8G)$ for which the geometry exhibits a horizon. We will discuss this point latter, when rederiving (16) with the Euclidean action method and obtaining $M_0 = 0$. Mass (16) also agrees with what stated in [5].

In contrast to m , parameter q does not yield a conserved charge, but, up to the sign $\varepsilon = -1, 0, +1$, its value is fixed in terms of the coupling constants b_i , which, in addition, obey a specific relation among them for the black hole solution to exist.

V. BLACK HOLE THERMODYNAMICS

The Hawking temperature associated to black hole solution (10)-(11) is given by

$$T(r_+) = \frac{1}{\pi \ell^2 r_+^4} \left(\frac{q\ell^2}{4} + \frac{\ell^2}{2} r_+^3 + r_+^5 \right), \quad (17)$$

where we denoted $\ell^2 = -\Lambda/6$.

In the case $n = 0$, this expression reduces to that of Schwarzschild-AdS₅ black holes, presenting a minimum value $T_{\min}^{(q=0)}$ for black holes with horizon radius $r_+^2 = \ell^2/2$. For negative values of n , in contrast, the temperature as a function of r_+ may also present a maximum $T_{\max}^{(q<0)}$ at a smaller radius, and then the sign of the specific heat becomes positive again at shorter radii. This implies that, for negative q , small mass black holes exist for which the evaporation time becomes infinite. Unlike GR in AdS, in this theory black holes exist with arbitrarily low (positive) temperature -although it does not imply they are stable against tunneling, as we will discuss.

Temperature (17) has extrema when $r_0^3 + 2q - 2r_0^5/\ell^2 = 0$. Notice also that the temperature behaves like that of the asymptotically Schwarzschild-AdS black hole for distance larger than $r_+ \gtrsim |\ell|$ provided $|\ell| > |q|^{1/3}$. On the other hand, if $q < 0$, for sufficiently small black holes, $r_+ < |q|^{1/3}$, the behavior differs substantially from that of Schwarzschild black hole. This is consistent with the fact that the presence of the hair parameter q represents short distance corrections in the theory. The behavior

² First order phase transitions for four-dimensional black holes with a minimally coupled self-interacting scalar hair has been recently found in [8].

resembles that of asymptotically flat Schwarzschild black hole only in the range between scales $|q|^{1/3} < r_+ < |\ell|$.

In general, for both signs of q and for certain range of temperatures, eight different solutions in the theory with the same temperature may exist. That is, apart from the three solutions of GR with $q = 0$, namely the large and small Schwarzschild-AdS₅ black holes and thermal AdS₅ space, there exist three hairy black hole solutions with charge $q < 0$ ($b_1\varepsilon < 0$) and two hairy black hole solutions with charge $q > 0$ ($b_1\varepsilon > 0$) that all have the same temperature within the range $T_{\min}^{(q>0)} < T < T_{\max}^{(q<0)}$, where here $T_{\min}^{(q>0)}$ refers to the minimum of T for the $q > 0$ black hole. The temperature of black holes with $q > 0$ as a function of r_+ is qualitatively similar to that of the GR ($q = 0$) solutions, although one always finds the relation

$$T^{(q>0)}(r_+) > T^{(q=0)}(r_+) > T^{(q<0)}(r_+). \quad (18)$$

As said, in this paper we will only consider the case $q \leq 0$, because $q > 0$ presents pathologies.

For negative values of q , other interesting phenomena appear. For example, one of the new features that solution (10)-(11) exhibits for $q < 0$ is the existence of an inner horizon at $r = r_- \leq r_+$. Moreover, there exists a precise value of mass relative to the coupling constant, M_{ext} , such that the solution is extremal, in the sense that horizons r_- and r_+ coincide in that case. M_{ext} corresponds to the minimal value of the parameter m for which the solution exhibits a horizon. In this case, the double root of metric function $f(r)$ occurs at $r = r_{\text{ext}}$, with m obeying the cubic equation

$$r_{\text{ext}}^3 - 2mr_{\text{ext}} - \frac{5}{2}q = 0. \quad (19)$$

This determines the value of M_{ext} . The extremal radius r_{ext} also obeys the quintic equation

$$r_{\text{ext}}^5 + \frac{\ell^2}{2}r_{\text{ext}}^3 + \frac{q\ell^2}{4} = 0, \quad (20)$$

and, then, it immediately follows from (17) that, as probably expected, the temperature of the extremal solution vanishes, $T(r_{\text{ext}}) = 0$. The near horizon geometry of the extremal solution is the product space AdS₂ \times S³ with a curvature given by r_{ext}^{-2} .

VI. EUCLIDEAN PATH INTEGRAL

The fact that in this theory the sufficiently small hairy black holes have positive specific heat suggests that phase transition may take place at short distances. In fact, we will show that a rich phase diagram emerges, with different geometries (with different values of q) dominating in different ranges of temperature. To investigate the phase transition in the semiclassical approximation, we resort to the Euclidean path integral approach: In asymptotically AdS space, the problem can be thought of as one at

finite volume and, therefore, since one is concerned with a question at finite temperature, the appropriate thermodynamical quantity to look at is Helmholtz free energy F , [6]. In the semiclassical approximation, the free energy is given in terms of \mathcal{I}_E by the relation

$$F = -\beta^{-1} \log Z = \beta^{-1} \mathcal{I}_E, \quad (21)$$

where $\beta = T^{-1}$ is the inverse of the Hawking temperature and, as usual, is given by the period of the compactified Euclidean time $\tau = it$ required for the real Euclidean section of the geometry not to develop a conical deficit at $r = r_+$. It is worth mentioning that the computation of F (see (30) below) involves a regularization of the infrared divergence, and this is achieved by background subtraction in the standard way, i.e. by subtracting the Euclidean action evaluated on the thermal AdS₅ configuration. In particular, this amounts to match the (red-shifted) period β at fixed radius $r = r_{\text{IR}}$ and then take the limit $r_{\text{IR}} \rightarrow \infty$.

The mass can also be obtained from the Euclidean action as follows

$$M = \frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_E}{\partial \beta}. \quad (22)$$

This yields

$$M = \frac{3\pi}{8G} m = \frac{3\pi}{8G} \left(r_+^2 - \frac{q}{r_+} + \frac{r_+^4}{\ell^2} \right), \quad (23)$$

which reproduces the result obtained by the Hamiltonian formalism if setting $M_0 = 0$ in (16).

It is worthwhile pointing out that the mass has a minimum when

$$r_+^5 + \frac{\ell^2}{2}r_+^3 + \frac{q\ell^2}{4} = 0. \quad (24)$$

This occurs for the value of M of the extremal solution, namely $M = M_{\text{ext}}$, cf. (20). Solutions with $M < M_{\text{ext}}$ exhibit no event horizon and, therefore, correspond to naked curvature singularities. This could have suggested to set the reference background in (16) to be that with $M_0 = M_{\text{ext}}$ for not to have in the spectrum positive energy states that represent naked singularities. This would have been similar to what happens, for instance, in the case of the three-dimensional black hole [15], where the value of the mass parameter that corresponds to AdS₃ space does not coincide with the minimum value of the black hole mass. However, the Euclidean action computation (22) yields the result (23) with $M_0 = 0$.

Black hole entropy is also obtained from the Euclidean action through the relation

$$S = \beta \frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_E}{\partial \beta} - \mathcal{I}_E. \quad (25)$$

This yields

$$S = \frac{\pi^2}{2G} r_+^3 + k, \quad (26)$$

with k given by

$$k = \frac{40\pi^3}{9}\varepsilon b_0 \left(-\frac{18}{5}\frac{b_1}{b_0}\right)^{5/2} = \frac{40\pi^3}{9}b_0 n^{15}. \quad (27)$$

Expression (26) coincides with the result obtained by using the Wald entropy formula [16].

Recalling that the volume of the 3-sphere is $V = 2\pi^2$ one verifies that, up to the additive constant k , entropy (26) satisfies the area law; namely

$$S = \frac{A}{4G} + \text{const.} \quad (28)$$

with $A = 2\pi^2 r_+^3$. Additive constants in the area law are usual features in theories with higher-curvature couplings (see e.g. [17]-[19]), and conformal invariance of our model allows no other dependence. Understanding the presence of k in (26) and its implications would be actually desirable. This probably demands a better understanding of the role of boundary terms in this context.

It is worthwhile pointing out that the entropy obtained in (25)-(26), together with (17) and (23), fulfill the first law of black hole thermodynamics; namely, one verifies

$$dM = T dS. \quad (29)$$

Let us now study the free energy and the phase transitions between different configurations at fixed temperature.

VII. PHASE TRANSITION

Then, one can compute the free energy $F = M - TS$. This can be written as

$$F(r_+) = -\frac{\pi}{8G\ell^2} r_+^2 \left(r_+^2 - \ell^2 + \frac{4q\ell^2}{r_+^3} \right) - kT(r_+). \quad (30)$$

In the case $q = 0$ (i.e. $n = 0$) this result reduces to that of GR, namely $F = -\pi/(8G\ell^2)r_+^2(r_+^2 - \ell^2)$, which in particular manifestly exhibits the Hawking-Page transition [6] at $r_+^2 = \ell^2$. At large r_+ , the difference between the free energy of hairy ($q \neq 0$) black holes and the free energy of the Schwarzschild-AdS₅ ($q = 0$) black holes goes like

$$\Delta F \sim -\frac{192\pi^2 n^3 b_2 r_+}{3\ell^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{r_+}\right) \quad (31)$$

This implies that, for sufficiently large temperature, the hairy black holes with $b_2 n > 0$ are thermodynamically favored.

Deciding which configuration dominates in each range of temperatures amounts to compute the difference of the corresponding free energies. It is worthwhile noticing that the comparison between the free energies of different solutions has to be performed at fixed temperature T , which means to compare black holes configurations

that do not necessarily have the same radius r_+ . This is because the temperature as a function of the radius depends also on the parameter q , so that two black holes with the three different values that q may take (namely $0, \pm|q|$) and that possess the same temperature necessarily have different radii (cf. (18)).

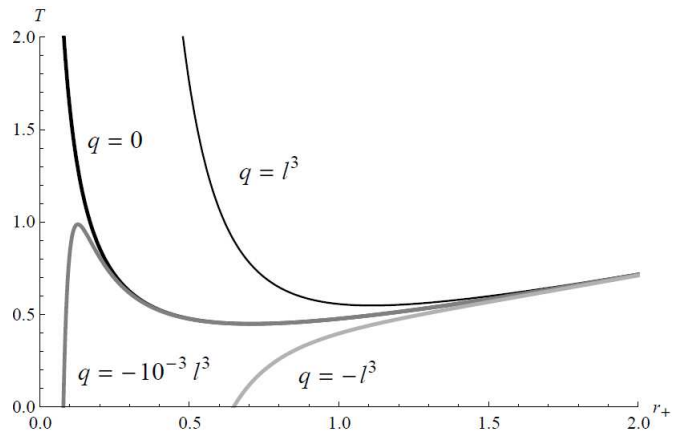


FIG. 1: Temperature vs r_+ for different values of q

The analysis of the main thermodynamical properties and the phase transitions are summarized in Figures 1, 2, and 3. Figure 1 shows the temperature (T) as a function of the (external) horizon radius (r_+) for different values of q . The temperature curve of hairy black holes with $q_c < q < 0$ exhibits a local maximum ($q_c := -\frac{3}{500}\sqrt{30}\ell^3 \approx -0.0329\ell^3$). Besides, black holes with $q < 0$, unlike those with $q = 0$, may have arbitrarily low temperature. So, there is a minimum value of temperature, $T_{\min}^{(q=0)}$, for which black holes with $q = 0$ and with $q < 0$ may have the same free energy. Evaluating free energy (30) for a black hole with $q < 0$ at temperature $T_{\min}^{(q=0)}$, one finds a positive value regardless the absolute value of q . This implies that thermal AdS₅ is the configuration that dominates at such temperature. On the other hand, at very large temperature, it follows from (31) that -for negative values of b_2 - the configuration with minimum free energy corresponds to the $q < 0$ black hole. Therefore, one concludes from this that phase transition takes place at certain temperature $T_c > T_{\min}^{(q=0)}$. This is summarized in Figure 2, which shows the free energy (F) as a function of temperature (T) for the three different values of $|q| < |q_c|$. At large T the black holes with $q < 0$ are thermodynamically favored, having the lowest free energy. Below certain critical temperature, the thermal AdS₅ configuration ($F = 0$) is the dominant one. The segment connecting points A and B corresponds to the small black holes with positive specific heat. The curve connecting points B and C corresponds to black holes solutions with $q < 0$ having temperatures between the local minimum and local maximum of T . This analysis manifestly shows that phase transition takes place at high temperature, being the hairy black holes with negative charge q those that are favored.

Finally, for completeness, we also consider a case with $|q| > |q_c|$ which is depicted in Figure 3 and where the hairless case ($q = 0$) has been included for reference. The curve on the left represents the black holes with $q < q_c \approx -0.0329l^3$. These black holes have positive specific heat and they are the dominant configuration under tunnelling. For positive $q > |q_c|$, the black holes lying on the curve connecting the point D to E have negative heat capacity, while those on the curve connecting the points E and F have positive heat capacity.

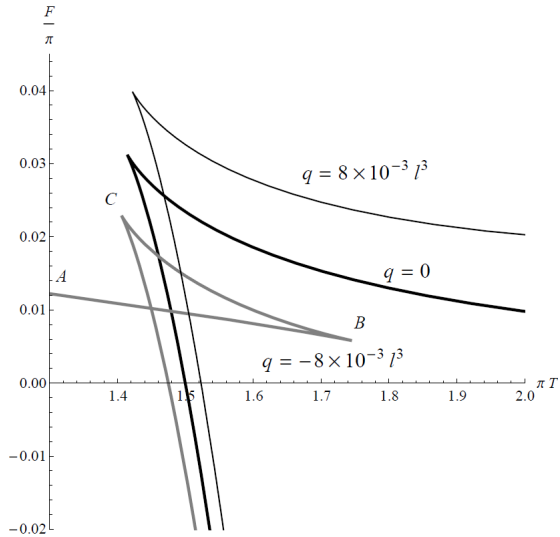


FIG. 2: Free energy vs Temperature for different values of $|q| < |q_c|$

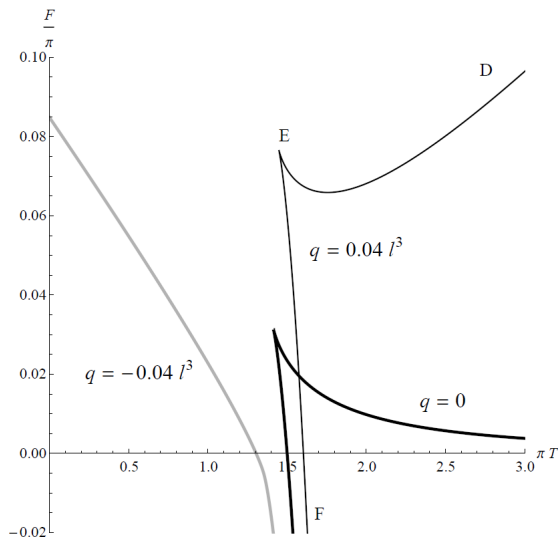


FIG. 3: Free energy vs Temperature for different values of $|q| = 0.04l^3 > |q_c|$ (the hairless solution $q = 0$ has been included for reference).

Figure 4, on the other hand, shows the temperature as a function of the mass (M) for different values of q

-corresponding to different choices of the coupling constants in the matter Lagrangian-. Small black holes with $q < 0$ presents positive specific heat. Through evaporation, these black holes yields a zero-temperature remnant with non-vanishing mass. At first sight it may seem that temperature of $q < 0$ black holes can take negative values. However, such negative values of T are not physical as correspond to configurations that are not accessible through evaporation.

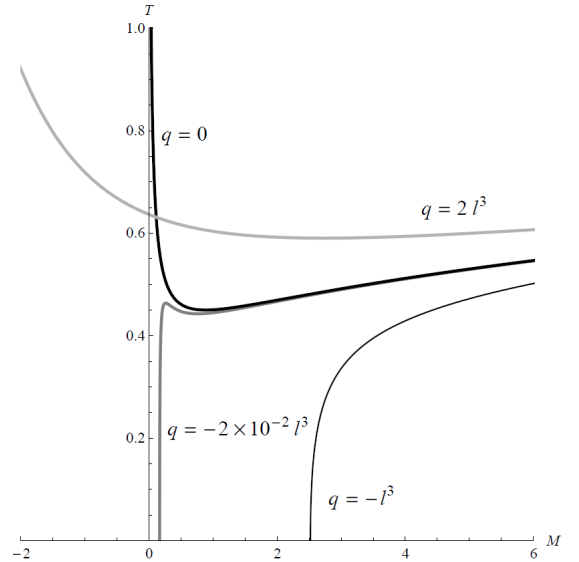


FIG. 4: Temperature vs Mass for different values of q

VIII. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper we studied the thermodynamics of hairy black holes in five-dimensional Anti-de Sitter space (AdS_5). These black holes are solutions of General Relativity (GR) coupled to a conformally coupled scalar field theory in five dimensions. This provides a simple setup in which phase transitions of hairy black holes in AdS can be solved explicitly, including backreaction.

The hairy black hole solutions we consider exhibit a non-vanishing scalar field configuration that is regular everywhere outside and on the horizon, and behave at large distance in a way that respects the asymptotically AdS_5 boundary conditions that are relevant for AdS/CFT. The charge of the scalar field may take three discrete values, $-|q|, 0, +|q|$, each case exhibiting rather different properties. We studied the thermodynamical properties of these solutions and we showed that, for certain range of temperatures, black holes with non-vanishing scalar hair configurations are thermodynamically favored with respect to the non-hairy Schwarzschild- AdS_5 solution and thermal AdS_5 space. On the other hand, below certain critical temperature the theory undergoes Hawking-Page transition and the dominant configuration happens to be thermal AdS_5 . The presence of the scalar conformal field

also changes the thermodynamics of the theory at short distance: In particular, we showed that, unlike what happens in GR in absence of matter, small hairy black holes with arbitrarily low temperature exist in AdS₅. These small black holes present a positive specific heat, and as a consequence of that they become stable under Hawking radiation, yielding a remnant with finite mass. However, they are not stable under tunnelling since, for the range of temperatures such small black holes exhibit, the free energy of thermal AdS₅ is lower. It would be interesting to explore whether this situation remains the same in higher dimensions or even when considering the black holes with hyperbolic horizons found in [5].

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