


## Entanglement negativity in $T\bar{T}$ -deformed $CFT_2$ s

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We apply a suitable replica technique to develop a perturbative expression for the entanglement negativity of bipartite mixed states in  $T\bar{T}$ -deformed  $CFT_2$ s up to the first order in the deformation parameter. Utilizing our perturbative construction we compute the entanglement negativity for various bipartite mixed states involving two disjoint intervals, two adjacent intervals, and a single interval in a  $T\bar{T}$ -deformed  $CFT_2$  at a finite temperature, in the large central-charge limit. Subsequently, we advance appropriate holographic constructions to compute the entanglement negativity for such bipartite states in  $T\bar{T}$ -deformed thermal  $CFT_2$ s dual to BTZ black holes in a finite cutoff bulk geometry and find agreement with the corresponding field theoretic results in the limit of small deformation parameter.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

Over the past three decades, diverse areas of physics ranging from quantum many body systems in condensed matter to quantum gravity and black holes, have seen tremendous progress with the toolbox of quantum entanglement. For bipartite pure states, the entanglement entropy, defined as the von-Neumann entropy of the corresponding reduced density matrix, correctly captures the entanglement structure. On the other hand, for bipartite mixed states or tripartite pure states, entanglement entropy fails to be a viable measure of the entanglement structure due to contributions from irrelevant classical and quantum correlations. To address this significant issue, various other measures for bipartite mixed-state entanglement have been introduced in the literature. Among these, a computable entanglement monotone termed the entanglement negativity was introduced in the seminal work [1]. This nonconvex [2] entanglement measure serves as an upper bound on the distillable entanglement for a given mixed state.

Although the calculation of these entanglement measures in extended many-body systems is in general computationally challenging, remarkably in  $(1+1)$ -dimensional conformal field theories ( $CFT_2$ s) the entanglement entropy for bipartite pure states may be explicitly computed utilizing a novel replica technique [3–5]. Interestingly, a similar replica technique to compute the entanglement negativity for various bipartite mixed states in  $CFT_2$ s was introduced in [6–8].

With the advance of the holographic correspondence [9], there has been intense focus on the holographic

characterization of the entanglement structure in conformal field theories with large central charge and a sparse spectrum which are dual to bulk anti-de Sitter ( $AdS$ ) geometries. Such advent was pioneered by the celebrated Ryu-Takayanagi formula [10] which states that the entanglement entropy of a subsystem in a  $CFT_d$  is given by the area of a codimension-two minimal spacelike surface in the bulk dual  $AdS_{d+1}$  geometry, homologous to the subsystem under consideration. Furthermore, a covariant generalization of this formula was proposed in [11]. These proposals were proved in a series of subsequent interesting communications [12–15]. With these developments in characterizing the pure state entanglement, the authors in [16–25] explored several holographic constructions<sup>1</sup> for characterizing the mixed state entanglement structure through the entanglement negativity,<sup>2</sup> which reproduced the field theoretic results [32,33] in the large central-charge limit. Interestingly, these geometric constructions were substantiated through the consideration of a replica symmetry-breaking saddle to the bulk gravitational path integral for the replica partition function in [34,35].

In a separate context, Zamolodchikov showed in a seminal work [36] that  $CFT_2$ s deformed by the determinant of the stress-energy tensor have a solvable structure in the sense that the energy spectrum and the partition function may be determined exactly. This particular class of irrelevant deformations is generally termed as the  $T\bar{T}$ -deformations. The UV structure of such theories are nonlocal and there are an infinite number of possible RG flows to the same fixed point.

<sup>1</sup>For analogues of these proposals in the context of flat holography, see [26].

<sup>2</sup>Note that, in [27–31], an alternative holographic proposal based on the bulk entanglement wedge cross section was also investigated.

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Furthermore, a holographic dual for such theories which alter the UV physics must be different from asymptotically AdS geometries which correspond to UV fixed points i.e., CFTs. A particularly simple description for a holographic dual was provided in [37] which change the asymptotics of the dual AdS spacetime by putting a finite cutoff radius. This proposal has passed several tests including the matching of the bulk and boundary two-point function, the energy spectrum and the partition function [37]. For further developments in this direction, see [38–46]. The entanglement entropy for bipartite pure states in different  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed CFTs has been investigated in [47–56]. While the holographic entanglement entropy may be exactly computed via the Ryu-Takayanagi formula, for the field theoretic computations one needs to resort to conformal perturbation theory [51]. Furthermore, in [57], a total correlation measure for bipartite mixed states known as the reflected entropy [58,59] and the corresponding holographic dual, namely the minimal entanglement wedge cross-section (EWCS) [60,61] were investigated.

The above developments bring into sharp focus the outstanding issue of characterizing the mixed-state entanglement structure in such  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed CFTs. In this article, we address this issue by studying the entanglement negativity for various bipartite mixed states in  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ s. Motivated by [49,51], we advance a suitable replica technique and subsequently a conformal perturbation theory for computing the entanglement negativity in  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ s. Following this, we compute the entanglement negativity for two disjoint, two adjacent and a single interval in a thermal  $\text{CFT}_2$  deformed by the  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$  operator. Furthermore, we utilize the holographic constructions in [18–20] to reproduce these field theoretic results in the large central-charge limit. We would like to emphasize that the study of mixed state entanglement in  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed CFTs investigated in the present work provide interesting insights on the entanglement structure of UV nonlocal theories and information theoretic aspects of the RG group.

The rest of the article is organized as follows. In Sec. II, we review the basic features of  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed conformal field theories, the quantum information theoretic definition of the entanglement negativity and the corresponding replica technique in  $\text{CFT}_2$ s. Following this, in Sec. III, we develop an appropriate replica technique to compute the entanglement negativity for various bipartite states in a  $\text{CFT}_2$  with  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformation. Utilizing this replica technique, we subsequently compute the entanglement negativity for the mixed state configurations of two disjoint, two adjacent and a single interval in a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed CFT at a finite temperature defined on a temporally compactified cylinder. The holographic characterization of the entanglement negativity for such mixed states forms the subject matter of Sec. IV. In the Appendix, the technical details are collected. Finally, in Sec. V, we provide a summary of our results and present a discussion of the future open issues.

## II. REVIEW OF EARLIER LITERATURE

### A. $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformation in a $\text{CFT}_2$

In this subsection we briefly review the salient features of two-dimensional conformal field theory deformed by the insertion of the following double-trace operator into the undeformed Lagrangian [36]

$$\langle T\bar{T} \rangle = \frac{1}{8} (\langle T_{ab} \rangle \langle T^{ab} \rangle - \langle T_a^a \rangle^2). \quad (2.1)$$

This composite operator, satisfying the factorization property [36], is called the  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$  operator and correspondingly the deformed CFT is termed a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed CFT. The  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$  deformation of a  $\text{CFT}_2$  defines a one parameter family of theories characterized by a deformation parameter  $\mu (\geq 0)$  having the dimensions of length squared. The deformed theory is described by the flow equation [36,49,51]

$$\frac{dS_{\text{QFT}}^{(\mu)}}{d\mu} = \int d^2x (T\bar{T})_\mu, \quad S_{\text{QFT}}^{(\mu)}|_{\mu=0} = S_{\text{CFT}}, \quad (2.2)$$

where  $S_{\text{QFT}}^{(\mu)}$  and  $S_{\text{CFT}}$  are the actions of the deformed and undeformed theories respectively. The energy spectrum of a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  is exactly solvable [62,63].

Perturbatively, for a small deformation parameter  $\mu$ , the action of the deformed CFT may be written as [49,51]

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\text{QFT}}^{(\mu)} &= S_{\text{CFT}} + \mu \int d^2x (T\bar{T})_{\mu=0} \\ &= S_{\text{CFT}} + \mu \int d^2x (T\bar{T} - \Theta^2), \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

where  $T \equiv T_{ww}$ ,  $\bar{T} \equiv T_{\bar{w}\bar{w}}$  and  $\Theta \equiv T_{w\bar{w}}$  are the components of the undeformed energy momentum tensor expressed in the complex coordinates  $(w, \bar{w})$ . In this manuscript, we always consider the deformed CFT on a cylinder for which the expectation value of  $\Theta$  vanishes and hence we may omit the  $\Theta^2$  term entirely [49]. A holographic description of  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed CFTs was given in [37], for which the relevant discussions are deferred until Sec. IV.

### B. Entanglement negativity in $\text{CFT}_2$ s

In this article, we will focus on a computable mixed state entanglement measure termed the entanglement negativity introduced in [1]. This nonconvex entanglement monotone [2] provides an upper bound to the distillable entanglement. For a bipartite mixed state  $\rho_{AB} \in \mathcal{H}_A \otimes \mathcal{H}_B$ , the logarithmic entanglement negativity between subsystems  $A$  and  $B$  is defined as the natural logarithm of the trace norm of the density matrix partially transposed with respect to the subsystem  $B$  as

$$\mathcal{E}(A:B) := \log \|\rho_{AB}^{T_B}\|, \quad (2.4)$$

where for an arbitrary hermitian matrix  $M$  the trace norm is defined as  $\|M\| = \text{Tr}\sqrt{MM^\dagger}$  and the partially transposed density matrix  $\rho_{AB}^{T_B}$  is defined through the following operation

$$\langle i_A, j_B | \rho_{AB}^{T_B} | k_A, l_B \rangle = \langle i_A, l_B | \rho_{AB} | k_A, j_B \rangle, \quad (2.5)$$

with  $\{i_A\}$  and  $\{j_B\}$  representing orthogonal bases for the Hilbert spaces  $\mathcal{H}_A$  and  $\mathcal{H}_B$ , respectively.

A replica technique to compute the entanglement negativity for bipartite states in a  $\text{CFT}_2$  was developed in [6–8], where one considers  $n_e \in 2\mathbb{Z}^+$  copies of the original manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ , with branch cuts along the subsystems  $A$  and  $B$ . Finally, the entanglement negativity for the bipartite state  $\rho_{AB}$  is obtained by considering the even analytic continuation  $n_e \rightarrow 1$  of the replica index as follows:

$$\mathcal{E}(A:B) = \lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \mathcal{E}^{(n_e)}(A:B) \equiv \lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \log \text{Tr}(\rho_{AB}^{T_B})^{n_e}. \quad (2.6)$$

The Riemann surface computing the path integral for the trace in Eq. (2.6) is prepared via a particular gluing of the individual copies where the branch cuts along  $A$  are sewed cyclically while those along  $B$  are sewed anticyclically. The partition function on this replica manifold computes the Renyi entanglement negativity  $\mathcal{E}^{(n_e)}$ . Utilizing the replica technique, the entanglement negativity between two subsystems  $A$  and  $B$  in  $\mathcal{M}$  may be expressed in terms of the logarithm of the (normalized) partition function on the  $n_e$  sheeted Riemann surface as follows [6–8]:

$$\mathcal{E}(A:B) = \lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \log \frac{\mathbb{Z}[\mathcal{M}_{n_e}]}{(\mathbb{Z}[\mathcal{M}])^{n_e}}, \quad (2.7)$$

where  $\mathcal{M}_{n_e}$  denotes the  $n_e$  sheeted Riemann surface glued cyclically along  $A$  and anticyclically along  $B$ . In a  $\text{CFT}_2$ , the partition function in Eq. (2.7) may be recast in terms of various correlation functions of twist operators placed at the endpoints of the subsystems  $A$  and  $B$  in the orbifold theory  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{n_e} \equiv \mathcal{M}_{n_e}/Z_{n_e}$  obtained by quotienting via the replica  $Z_{n_e}$  symmetry [6–8]. For example, in the case of two disjoint intervals  $A = [z_1, z_2]$  and  $B = [z_3, z_4]$  in the vacuum state of a  $\text{CFT}_2$ , the entanglement negativity between  $A$  and  $B$  may be expressed as [6,7]

$$\mathcal{E} = \lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \log \langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_2) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_3) \sigma_{n_e}(z_4) \rangle_{\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{n_e}}, \quad (2.8)$$

where  $\sigma_{n_e}$  and  $\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}$  are the twist and antitwist fields respectively. These are primary operators in the  $\text{CFT}_2$  with conformal dimensions

$$h_{n_e} = \bar{h}_{n_e} = \frac{c}{24} \left( n_e - \frac{1}{n_e} \right). \quad (2.9)$$

### III. ENTANGLEMENT NEGATIVITY IN $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -DEFORMED $\text{CFT}_2$

In this section, we devise a suitable replica technique to compute the entanglement negativity for various bipartite mixed states in a  $\text{CFT}_2$  perturbed by the  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$  operator. We utilize the twist-operator formalism to compute the correlation function on the  $n_e$ -sheeted (with  $n_e$  even) Riemann surface in the replica method.

Consider a  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  living on some manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ . We are concerned with calculating the entanglement negativity for bipartite mixed states consisting of two spatial intervals  $A$  and  $B$ . The  $n_e$ -sheeted Riemann surface  $\mathcal{M}_{n_e}$  is obtained by joining  $n_e$  copies of the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$ , cyclically along  $A$  and anticyclically along  $B$ . The partition function of the deformed theory may be written in the path integral representation as follows:

$$\mathbb{Z}[\mathcal{M}_{n_e}] = \int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S_{\text{QFT}}^{(\mu)}[\phi]}, \quad (3.1)$$

where  $S_{\text{QFT}}^{(\mu)}$  is the action for the  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed CFT. For the case with a small deformation parameter in Eq. (2.3) we may obtain the entanglement negativity from Eq. (2.7) as

$$\mathcal{E}^{(\mu)}(A:B) = \lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \log \left[ \frac{\int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S_{\text{CFT}} - \mu \int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} (T\overline{T})}}{(\int_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S_{\text{CFT}} - \mu \int_{\mathcal{M}} (T\overline{T})})^{n_e}} \right], \quad (3.2)$$

where the superscript  $\mu$  indicates that we are working with a deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ . Since the deformation parameter  $\mu$  is small, we may further expand the exponential in terms of  $\mu$ , to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}^{(\mu)}(A:B) &= \lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \log \left[ \frac{\int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S_{\text{CFT}}} (1 - \mu \int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} (T\overline{T}) + \mathcal{O}(\mu^2))}{[\int_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S_{\text{CFT}}} (1 - \mu \int_{\mathcal{M}} (T\overline{T}) + \mathcal{O}(\mu^2))]^{n_e}} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

$$= \mathcal{E}_{\text{CFT}}(A:B) + \lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \log \left[ \frac{(1 - \mu \int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \langle T\overline{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}})}{(1 - \mu \int_{\mathcal{M}} \langle T\overline{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}})^{n_e}} \right]. \quad (3.4)$$

Here  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{CFT}}(A:B)$  is the entanglement negativity of the bipartite quantum state  $\rho_{AB}$  in a  $\text{CFT}_2$  and the expectation value of the  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$  operator on the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  is defined as (similarly on  $\mathcal{M}_{n_e}$ ),

$$\langle T\overline{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \frac{\int_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S_{\text{CFT}}} (T\overline{T})}{\int_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S_{\text{CFT}}}}. \quad (3.5)$$

Therefore, the first-order correction in the entanglement negativity of  $\text{CFT}_2$  due to the deformation by the  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$  operator is given by

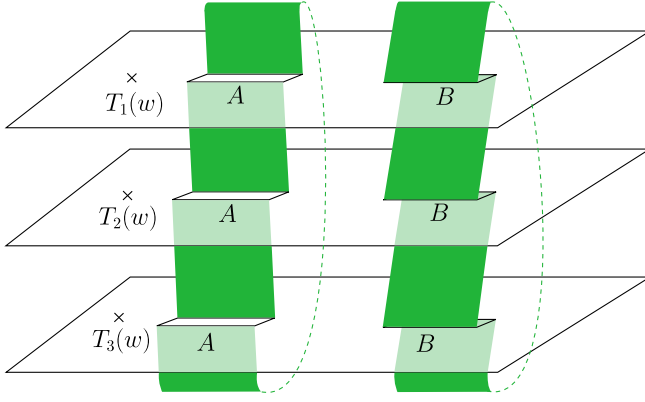


FIG. 1. Schematics of the replica manifold computing the path integral for the entanglement negativity of two disjoint intervals  $A$  and  $B$  in a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ . Figure modified from [7].

$$\delta\mathcal{E}(A:B) = -\mu \lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \langle T\bar{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} - n_e \int_{\mathcal{M}} \langle T\bar{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \right]. \quad (3.6)$$

In this article, we consider the deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  in an excited state at finite temperature  $1/\beta$  and the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  is an infinitely long cylinder whose Euclidean time direction is compactified with the circumference  $\beta$ . We set up the complex coordinates  $w = x + i\tau$  and  $\bar{w} = x - i\tau$  on the cylinder  $\mathcal{M}$ , where  $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$  and  $\tau \in (0, \beta)$  with the periodic identification  $\tau \sim \tau + \beta$ . The cylinder is described by the following conformal map from a complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ ,

$$z = e^{\frac{2\pi w}{\beta}}, \quad \bar{z} = e^{\frac{2\pi \bar{w}}{\beta}}, \quad (3.7)$$

where  $(z, \bar{z})$  are the coordinates on the complex plane. Under this map, the energy momentum tensors transform as follows:

$$T(w) = T(z) - \frac{\pi^2 c}{6\beta^2}, \quad \bar{T}(\bar{w}) = \bar{T}(\bar{z}) - \frac{\pi^2 c}{6\beta^2}. \quad (3.8)$$

Since for the vacuum state of a  $\text{CFT}_2$  described at the complex plane,  $\langle T(z) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}} = \langle \bar{T}(\bar{z}) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}} = 0$ , we obtain

$$\langle T(w)\bar{T}(\bar{w}) \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \left( \frac{\pi^2 c}{6\beta^2} \right)^2. \quad (3.9)$$

### A. Two disjoint intervals

In this subsection we calculate the first-order correction in the entanglement negativity for a bipartite mixed state comprised of two disjoint spatial intervals  $A = [x_1, x_2]$  and  $B = [x_3, x_4]$  in a finite temperature  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ . Consider a  $\text{CFT}_2$  living on the cylindrical manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  with temperature  $1/\beta$ , perturbed by  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformation. To compute the entanglement negativity in the mixed state  $\rho_{AB}$  defined in a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ , we need to determine the expectation value of the  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$  operator. On the Riemann surface  $\mathcal{M}_{n_e}$  (cf. Fig. 1), the value of  $\langle T\bar{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}}$  may be obtained from inserting the  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$  operator into the correlation function of the twist operators located at the end points of intervals  $A$  and  $B$  as follows [3,5]:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \langle T\bar{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} &= \sum_{k=1}^{n_e} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{\langle T_k(w)\bar{T}_k(\bar{w})\sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_2, \bar{w}_2)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_3, \bar{w}_3)\sigma_{n_e}(w_4, \bar{w}_4) \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}}{\langle \sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_2, \bar{w}_2)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_3, \bar{w}_3)\sigma_{n_e}(w_4, \bar{w}_4) \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}} \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{1}{n_e} \frac{\langle T^{(n_e)}(w)\bar{T}^{(n_e)}(\bar{w})\sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_2, \bar{w}_2)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_3, \bar{w}_3)\sigma_{n_e}(w_4, \bar{w}_4) \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}}{\langle \sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_2, \bar{w}_2)\bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_3, \bar{w}_3)\sigma_{n_e}(w_4, \bar{w}_4) \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

In the above expression,  $T_k(w)$  represents the stress energy tensor corresponding to the undeformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  living on the  $k$ th sheet of the replica manifold  $\mathcal{M}_{n_e}$ , and  $\sigma_{n_e}, \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}$  are the twist operators that are inserted at the endpoints  $w_i$  of the intervals [3,5]. Note that in the second line of the above expression,  $T^{(n_e)}$  is the energy-momentum tensor on the  $n_e$ -sheeted Riemann surface  $\mathcal{M}_{n_e}$  and we have utilized an identity described in [51] to arrive at the second line. To proceed, we transform the energy momentum tensor defined on the cylindrical manifold to the complex plane through Eq. (3.8) and apply the following Ward identities [64]:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle T^{(n_e)}(z)\mathcal{O}_1(z_1, \bar{z}_1)\dots\mathcal{O}_m(z_m, \bar{z}_m) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}} &= \sum_{j=1}^m \left( \frac{h_j}{(z-z_j)^2} + \frac{1}{(z-z_j)}\partial_{z_j} \right) \langle \mathcal{O}_1(z_1, \bar{z}_1)\dots\mathcal{O}_m(z_m, \bar{z}_m) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}, \\ \langle \bar{T}^{(n_e)}(\bar{z})\mathcal{O}_1(z_1, \bar{z}_1)\dots\mathcal{O}_m(z_m, \bar{z}_m) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}} &= \sum_{j=1}^m \left( \frac{\bar{h}_j}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_j)^2} + \frac{1}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_j)}\partial_{\bar{z}_j} \right) \langle \mathcal{O}_1(z_1, \bar{z}_1)\dots\mathcal{O}_m(z_m, \bar{z}_m) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_i$  are primary operators with conformal dimensions  $(h_i, \bar{h}_i)$ .

The expectation value in Eq. (3.10) may therefore be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \langle T\bar{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} &= \frac{1}{n_e} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_3, \bar{z}_3) \sigma_{n_e}(z_4, \bar{z}_4) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}} \left[ -\frac{\pi^2 c n_e}{6\beta^2} + \left( \frac{2\pi}{\beta} z \right)^2 \sum_{j=1}^4 \left( \frac{c(n_e - \frac{1}{n_e})}{24(z - z_j)^2} + \frac{1}{(z - z_j)} \partial_{z_j} \right) \right] \\ &\times \left[ -\frac{\pi^2 c n_e}{6\beta^2} + \left( \frac{2\pi}{\beta} \bar{z} \right)^2 \sum_{k=1}^4 \left( \frac{c(n_e - \frac{1}{n_e})}{24(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_k)^2} + \frac{1}{(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_k)} \partial_{\bar{z}_k} \right) \right] \langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_3, \bar{z}_3) \sigma_{n_e}(z_4, \bar{z}_4) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

In the  $t$ -channel, where the two disjoint intervals are in proximity, the four-point function of twist operators in Eq. (3.12) is given by [32,33]

$$\langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_3, \bar{z}_3) \sigma_{n_e}(z_4, \bar{z}_4) \rangle_{\mathbb{C}} \approx (1 - \eta)^{h_{n_e}^{(2)}} (1 - \bar{\eta})^{\bar{h}_{n_e}^{(2)}}. \quad (3.13)$$

The cross ratio  $\eta$  is defined as  $\eta := \frac{z_{12}z_{34}}{z_{13}z_{24}}$  with  $z_{ij} = (z_i - z_j)$ . Now substituting Eq. (3.9) and Eq. (3.12) into Eq. (3.6) and subsequently utilizing Eq. (3.13) we obtain the first-order correction in the entanglement negativity of two disjoint intervals due to the deformation by T $\bar{T}$  operator as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\mathcal{E}(A:B) &= -\frac{\mu c^2 \pi^4}{\beta^4} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \left[ -\frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{z^2 z_{12} z_{34}}{(z - z_1)(z - z_2)(z - z_3)(z - z_4)} + \frac{\bar{z}^2 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{34}}{(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_1)(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_2)(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_3)(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_4)} \right) \right. \\ &\left. + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{z^2 z_{12} z_{34}}{(z - z_1)(z - z_2)(z - z_3)(z - z_4)} \right) \left( \frac{\bar{z}^2 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{34}}{(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_1)(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_2)(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_3)(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_4)} \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

The definite integrals in Eq. (3.14) are evaluated explicitly in the Appendix. Utilizing these results, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\mathcal{E}(A:B) &= -\frac{\mu c^2 \pi^3}{24\beta^2} \left[ \left( \frac{z_1}{z_{13}} \log\left(\frac{z_1}{z_3}\right) - \frac{z_1}{z_{14}} \log\left(\frac{z_1}{z_4}\right) - \frac{z_2}{z_{23}} \log\left(\frac{z_2}{z_3}\right) + \frac{z_2}{z_{24}} \log\left(\frac{z_2}{z_4}\right) \right) + \text{H.c.} \right] + \delta\mathcal{E}_{\text{cross}} \\ &= -\frac{\mu c^2 \pi^4}{12\beta^3} \left[ x_{31} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{31}}{\beta}\right) + x_{42} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{42}}{\beta}\right) - x_{41} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{41}}{\beta}\right) - x_{32} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{32}}{\beta}\right) \right] + \delta\mathcal{E}_{\text{cross}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.15)$$

In the second line we have used  $z_i = \bar{z}_i = e^{\frac{2\pi x_i}{\beta}}$  with  $\tau_i = 0$ . Note that the additional term  $\delta\mathcal{E}_{\text{cross}}$  originates from the crossing correlation of the holomorphic and the antiholomorphic sector in the integration. For two disjoint intervals in proximity, this crossing term is found to be vanishingly small (cf. Appendix) and hence may be neglected in the leading order.

## B. Two adjacent intervals

In this subsection, we will compute  $\delta\mathcal{E}(A:B)$  for a bipartite mixed state of two adjacent intervals  $A \cup B = [x_1, x_2] \cup [x_2, x_3]$  in a thermal T $\bar{T}$ -deformed CFT $_2$ . The computation of the expectation value of the composite operator  $\langle T\bar{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}}$  for the mixed state with two adjacent intervals follows closely from the case of two disjoint intervals:

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \langle T\bar{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{1}{n_e} \frac{\langle T^{(n_e)}(w) \bar{T}^{(n_e)}(\bar{w}) \sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(w_2, \bar{w}_2) \sigma_{n_e}(w_3, \bar{w}_3) \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}}{\langle \sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(w_2, \bar{w}_2) \sigma_{n_e}(w_3, \bar{w}_3) \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}}. \quad (3.16)$$

Now, we utilize the conformal transformation specified in Eq. (3.8) to transform the energy momentum tensor on the complex plane and employ the Ward identities Eq. (3.11) to obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \langle T\bar{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} &= \frac{1}{n_e} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \sigma_{n_e}(z_3, \bar{z}_3) \rangle_{\mathcal{C}}} \left[ -\frac{\pi^2 c n_e}{6\beta^2} + \left( \frac{2\pi z}{\beta} \right)^2 \sum_{j=1}^3 \left( \frac{h_j}{(z-z_j)^2} + \frac{1}{(z-z_j)} \partial_{z_j} \right) \right] \\ &\times \left[ -\frac{\pi^2 c n_e}{6\beta^2} + \left( \frac{2\pi \bar{z}}{\beta} \right)^2 \sum_{k=1}^3 \left( \frac{\bar{h}_k}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_k)^2} + \frac{1}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_k)} \partial_{\bar{z}_k} \right) \right] \langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \sigma_{n_e}(z_3, \bar{z}_3) \rangle_{\mathcal{C}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

Here  $(h_j, \bar{h}_j)$  refer to the conformal dimensions of twist operator inserted at  $(z_j, \bar{z}_j)$ . The three-point function of twist operators in the above expression is given by [64]

$$\langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \sigma_{n_e}(z_3, \bar{z}_3) \rangle_{\mathcal{C}} = \frac{\mathcal{C}_{\sigma_{n_e} \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2 \sigma_{n_e}}}{z_{12}^{h_{n_e}^{(2)}} z_{23}^{h_{n_e}^{(2)}} z_{13}^{2h_{n_e} - h_{n_e}^{(2)}} \bar{z}_{12}^{\bar{h}_{n_e}^{(2)}} \bar{z}_{23}^{\bar{h}_{n_e}^{(2)}} \bar{z}_{13}^{2\bar{h}_{n_e} - \bar{h}_{n_e}^{(2)}}}, \quad (3.18)$$

where  $\mathcal{C}_{\sigma_{n_e} \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2 \sigma_{n_e}}$  is the operator product expansion (OPE) coefficient. Substituting Eqs. (3.17) and (3.9) into Eq. (3.6), and utilizing Eq. (3.18) we obtain the first-order correction to the entanglement negativity for two adjacent intervals as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\mathcal{E}(A:B) &= -\frac{\mu c^2 \pi^4}{\beta^4} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \left[ -\frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{z^2 z_{12} z_{23}}{(z-z_1)(z-z_2)^2(z-z_3)} + \frac{\bar{z}^2 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{23}}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_1)(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_2)^2(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_3)} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{z^2 z_{12} z_{23}}{(z-z_1)(z-z_2)^2(z-z_3)} \right) \left( \frac{\bar{z}^2 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{23}}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_1)(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_2)^2(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_3)} \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

Once again, we leave the technical details of the integrations in Eq. (3.19) in the Appendix. The correction to the entanglement negativity is then given by

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\mathcal{E}(A:B) &= -\frac{\mu c^2 \pi^3}{24\beta^2} \left[ \left( \frac{z_1 z_{23}}{z_{12} z_{13}} \log\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) + \frac{z_{12} z_3}{z_{13} z_{23}} \log\left(\frac{z_2}{z_3}\right) \right) + \text{H.c.} \right] + \delta\mathcal{E}_{\text{cross}} \\ &= -\frac{\mu c^2 \pi^4}{12\beta^3} \left[ x_{21} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{21}}{\beta}\right) + x_{32} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{32}}{\beta}\right) - x_{31} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{31}}{\beta}\right) \right] + \delta\mathcal{E}_{\text{cross}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

We expect the crossing term  $\delta\mathcal{E}_{\text{cross}}$  to vanish similar to the case of two disjoint intervals.

### C. A single interval

To compute the entanglement negativity for a single interval  $A = [-\ell, 0]$  in a  $T\bar{T}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  at finite temperature, we follow the prescription in [8] and introduce two large auxiliary intervals  $B_1 = [-L, -\ell]$  and  $B_2 = [0, L]$  sandwiching the interval  $A$ . The correct entanglement negativity for the mixed state of the single interval  $A$  is then obtained by taking the bipartite limit  $L \rightarrow \infty$  subsequent to the replica limit.

Under the  $T\bar{T}$  deformation, the expectation value of the composite  $T\bar{T}$  operator for the single interval is obtained as

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \langle T\bar{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{1}{n_e} \frac{\langle T^{(n_e)}(w) \bar{T}^{(n_e)}(\bar{w}) \sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(w_2, \bar{w}_2) \sigma_{n_e}^2(w_3, \bar{w}_3) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_4, \bar{w}_4) \rangle}{\langle \sigma_{n_e}(w_1, \bar{w}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(w_2, \bar{w}_2) \sigma_{n_e}^2(w_3, \bar{w}_3) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(w_4, \bar{w}_4) \rangle}. \quad (3.21)$$

Note that here we have kept the coordinates of the endpoints generic in the correlation function and the specific configuration involving the desired single interval will be considered towards the end of our discussion. Using the transformation of the energy momentum tensor from Eq. (3.8) and the Ward identities with the energy momentum tensor from Eq. (3.11) we may simplify Eq. (3.21) as

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} \langle T\overline{T} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{n_e}} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \frac{1}{n_e} \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \sigma_{n_e}^2(z_3, \bar{z}_3) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_4, \bar{z}_4) \rangle} \left[ -\frac{\pi^2 c n_e}{6\beta^2} + \left( \frac{2\pi z}{\beta} \right)^2 \sum_{j=1}^4 \left( \frac{h_j}{(z-z_j)^2} + \frac{1}{(z-z_j)} \partial_{z_j} \right) \right] \\ \times \left[ -\frac{\pi^2 c n_e}{6\beta^2} + \left( \frac{2\pi \bar{z}}{\beta} \right)^2 \sum_{k=1}^4 \left( \frac{h_k}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_k)^2} + \frac{1}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_k)} \partial_{\bar{z}_k} \right) \right] \langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \sigma_{n_e}^2(z_3, \bar{z}_3) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_4, \bar{z}_4) \rangle_{\mathcal{C}}. \quad (3.22)$$

The four point function in the above expression has the following form [8]:

$$\langle \sigma_{n_e}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2(z_2, \bar{z}_2) \sigma_{n_e}^2(z_3, \bar{z}_3) \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}(z_4, \bar{z}_4) \rangle = c_{n_e} c_{n_e}^{(2)} \left( \frac{\mathcal{F}_{n_e}(\eta)}{z_{14}^{2h_{n_e}} z_{23}^{2h_{n_e}} \eta^{h_{n_e}^{(2)}}} \right) \left( \frac{\bar{\mathcal{F}}_{n_e}(\bar{\eta})}{\bar{z}_{14}^{2\bar{h}_{n_e}} \bar{z}_{23}^{2\bar{h}_{n_e}} \bar{\eta}^{\bar{h}_{n_e}^{(2)}}} \right), \quad (3.23)$$

with the functions  $\mathcal{F}_{n_e}(\eta)$  and  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_{n_e}(\bar{\eta})$  obeying the following OPE limits:

$$\mathcal{F}_{n_e}(1) \bar{\mathcal{F}}_{n_e}(1) = 1, \quad \mathcal{F}_{n_e}(0) \bar{\mathcal{F}}_{n_e}(0) = \frac{\mathcal{C}_{\sigma_{n_e} \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2 \sigma_{n_e}}}{c_{n_e}^{(2)}}, \quad (3.24)$$

where  $\mathcal{C}_{\sigma_{n_e} \bar{\sigma}_{n_e}^2 \sigma_{n_e}}$  is the OPE coefficient and  $c_{n_e}, c_{n_e}^{(2)}$  are normalization constants. Now, we substitute Eqs. (3.22) and (3.9) into Eq. (3.6) and use the four-point function from Eq. (3.23) to obtain,

$$\delta\mathcal{E}(A:B) = -\frac{\mu c^2 \pi^4}{\beta^4} \int_{\mathcal{M}} \left[ \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{z^2}{(z-z_2)^2} + \frac{z^2}{(z-z_3)^2} - \left( \sum_{j=1}^4 \frac{z^2}{(z-z_j)} \partial_{z_j} \right) \log [z_{23}^2 \eta f(\eta)] \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{\bar{z}^2}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_2)^2} + \frac{\bar{z}^2}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_3)^2} - \left( \sum_{j=1}^4 \frac{\bar{z}^2}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_j)} \partial_{\bar{z}_j} \right) \log [\bar{z}_{23}^2 \bar{\eta} \bar{f}(\bar{\eta})] \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{z^2}{(z-z_2)^2} + \frac{z^2}{(z-z_3)^2} - \left( \sum_{j=1}^4 \frac{z^2}{(z-z_j)} \partial_{z_j} \right) \log [z_{23}^2 \eta f(\eta)] \right) \right. \\ \left. \times \left( \frac{\bar{z}^2}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_2)^2} + \frac{\bar{z}^2}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_3)^2} - \left( \sum_{j=1}^4 \frac{\bar{z}^2}{(\bar{z}-\bar{z}_j)} \partial_{\bar{z}_j} \right) \log [\bar{z}_{23}^2 \bar{\eta} \bar{f}(\bar{\eta})] \right) \right], \quad (3.25)$$

where we have defined

$$\lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \mathcal{F}_{n_e}(\eta) = [f(\eta)]^{c/8} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n_e \rightarrow 1} \bar{\mathcal{F}}_{n_e}(\bar{\eta}) = [\bar{f}(\bar{\eta})]^{c/8}.$$

Now we specialize to the specific configuration the single interval of length  $\ell$  and subsequently take the bipartite limit  $L \rightarrow \infty$ . The first-order correction in the entanglement negativity of a single interval in a finite-temperature  $\text{CFT}_2$  with  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformation is therefore given by

$$\delta\mathcal{E}(A:A^c) = -\frac{\mu\pi^4 c^2 \ell}{6\beta^3} \left[ -1 + \coth\left(\frac{\pi\ell}{\beta}\right) - e^{-\frac{2\pi\ell}{\beta}} \frac{f'(e^{-\frac{2\pi\ell}{\beta}})}{f(e^{-\frac{2\pi\ell}{\beta}})} \right] \\ + \delta\mathcal{E}_{\text{cross}}. \quad (3.26)$$

The details of integrations to realize Eq. (3.26) from Eq. (3.25) can be found in the Appendix. We expect the crossing term to vanish in a similar fashion like the earlier cases.

#### IV. HOLOGRAPHIC ENTANGLEMENT NEGATIVITY

In this section, we apply the holographic construction<sup>3</sup> for the entanglement negativity advanced in [18–20] to the case of various bipartite mixed states in a  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  defined on a thermal cylinder of circumference  $\beta$ . As

<sup>3</sup>Note that, an alternative proposal for the holographic entanglement negativity exists in the literature [27,28], which concerns the area of a backreacting bulk cosmic brane homologous to the EWCS. In particular for spherical entangling surfaces, the effects of the backreaction from the cosmic brane may be captured by a dimension dependent prefactor  $\chi_d$  and the holographic entanglement negativity is proportional to the area of the minimal EWCS,  $\mathcal{E} = \chi_d E_W$ . However, it has been demonstrated that the area of the said cosmic brane only agrees with the field theoretic result for the entanglement negativity up to certain constants (possibly related to the holographic Markov gap [65]), in the context of  $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$  [30] as well as flat-space holography [31].

described in [37], the holographic dual for a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  with deformation parameter  $\mu > 0$  is given by a portion of  $\text{AdS}_3$  geometry cutoff at a finite radius  $r_C$  with

$$r_C = \sqrt{\frac{6R^4}{\pi c \mu}} = \frac{R^2}{\epsilon}, \quad (4.1)$$

where  $R$  is the  $\text{AdS}_3$  radius,  $c$  and  $\epsilon$  are the central charge and the UV cutoff of the dual field theory.

Following the proposal in [37], the thermal  $\text{CFT}_2$  with  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformation is dual to a BTZ black hole [66] in the finite radius bulk geometry, with the metric

$$ds^2 = \frac{r^2 - r_H^2}{R^2} dt^2 + \frac{R^2}{r^2 - r_H^2} dr^2 + r^2 d\tilde{x}^2, \quad (4.2)$$

where  $r = r_H$  is the horizon of the black hole. The Euclidean time  $t$  is identified as  $t \sim t + \beta$ , where  $\beta = \frac{2\pi R^2}{r_H}$  is the inverse temperature of the black hole as well as the dual  $\text{CFT}_2$ . The dual  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  is located at the cutoff radius  $r_C$  and hence the metric of the background manifold is conformal to the flat metric as follows [49,51]:

$$ds^2 = dt^2 + \frac{d\tilde{x}^2}{1 - \frac{r_H^2}{r_C^2}} \equiv dt^2 + dx^2, \quad (4.3)$$

where  $x = \tilde{x}(1 - \frac{r_H^2}{r_C^2})^{-1/2}$  is the spatial coordinate in the  $\text{CFT}_2$ .

In [49,51], the holographic entanglement entropy for bipartite states in a thermal  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  was investigated, where it was found that for high temperatures the Ryu-Takayanagi formula [10] still applies in the dual finite-radius geometry. The length of the minimal spacelike geodesic homologous to a subsystem  $A = [x_i, x_j]$

(cf. Fig. 2) in the deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  at a temperature  $1/\beta$  was computed to be [49,51]

$$\mathcal{L}_{ij} = R \log (\mathcal{A}(x_i, x_j) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(x_i, x_j)^2 - 1}), \quad (4.4)$$

where

$$\mathcal{A}(x_i, x_j) \equiv 1 + \frac{2r_C^2}{r_H^2} \sinh^2 \left( \frac{\pi |x_i - x_j|}{\beta} \sqrt{1 - \frac{r_H^2}{r_C^2}} \right). \quad (4.5)$$

In the following, we will utilize the above geodesic length to compute the holographic entanglement negativity corresponding to two disjoint, two adjacent and a single interval in a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  at finite temperature.

### A. Two disjoint intervals

The holographic construction for the entanglement negativity of two disjoint intervals  $A$  and  $B$  in a  $\text{CFT}_2$  [23,34] concerns an algebraic sum of the lengths of bulk minimal spacelike geodesics homologous to various combination of subsystems as follows:

$$\mathcal{E}(A:B) = \frac{3}{16G_N} (\mathcal{L}_{AUC} + \mathcal{L}_{BUC} - \mathcal{L}_C - \mathcal{L}_{AUBUC}), \quad (4.6)$$

where  $C$  is another interval sandwiched between  $A$  and  $B$ . Note that the above holographic formula is valid only when the intervals  $A$  and  $B$  are in close proximity.<sup>4</sup>

Now we apply the above holographic formula<sup>5</sup> to the case of two disjoint intervals  $A = [x_1, x_2]$  and  $B = [x_3, x_4]$  in a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed thermal  $\text{CFT}_2$  defined on a cylinder of circumference  $\beta$ . The schematic of the setup is depicted in Fig. 3. Utilizing Eq. (4.4) in Eq. (4.6) we obtain

$$\mathcal{E}^{(\mu)}(A:B) = \frac{3R}{16G_N} \log \left[ \frac{(\mathcal{A}(x_1, x_3) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(x_1, x_3)^2 - 1})(\mathcal{A}(x_2, x_4) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(x_2, x_4)^2 - 1})}{(\mathcal{A}(x_2, x_3) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(x_2, x_3)^2 - 1})(\mathcal{A}(x_1, x_4) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(x_1, x_4)^2 - 1})} \right], \quad (4.7)$$

where the superscript indicates a finite deformation parameter for the dual  $\text{CFT}_2$ . Note that as  $r_C \rightarrow \infty$ , the cutoff radius approaches the asymptotic boundary of the  $\text{AdS}_3$  geometry and  $\mathcal{L}_{ij}$  in Eq. (4.4) becomes proportional to the holographic entanglement entropy in the usual  $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$

<sup>4</sup>On the other hand, for two disjoint intervals which are far away from each other, the holographic-entanglement negativity vanishes identically [23,33].

<sup>5</sup>Note that, the applicability of the formula in Eq. (4.6) for a deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  is assumed *a priori*.

setting. In this limit, the above expression reduces to the holographic entanglement negativity for two disjoint intervals in a thermal  $\text{CFT}_2$ , obtained in [23].

To compare with the field theory computations in Sec. III A, we consider the limit of small deformation parameter  $\mu$ , which corresponds to a large cutoff radius according to Eq. (4.1). Expanding Eq. (4.7) for large  $r_C$  and further considering the high-temperature limit  $\beta \ll x_{ij}$  (the dual geometry corresponds to a BTZ black hole only in the high-temperature limit), we obtain the entanglement negativity for the disjoint intervals as follows:



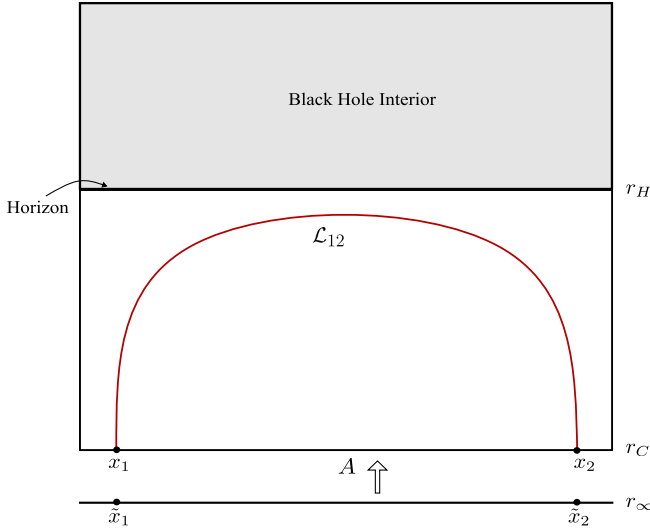


FIG. 2. Holographic entanglement entropy for a single interval in a  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ . Figure modified from [57].

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}^{(\mu)}(A:B) = & \frac{3R}{8G_N} \log \left[ \frac{\sinh\left(\frac{\pi x_{13}}{\beta}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{\pi x_{24}}{\beta}\right)}{\sinh\left(\frac{\pi x_{23}}{\beta}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{\pi x_{14}}{\beta}\right)} \right] \\ & + \frac{3\pi^4 \mu R^2}{16\beta^3 G_N^2} \left[ x_{13} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{13}}{\beta}\right) + x_{24} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{24}}{\beta}\right) \right. \\ & \left. - x_{23} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{23}}{\beta}\right) - x_{14} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{14}}{\beta}\right) \right]. \quad (4.8) \end{aligned}$$

Note that the logarithmic term in the above expression is the holographic-entanglement negativity for two disjoint intervals  $A = [x_1, x_2]$  and  $B = [x_3, x_4]$  in an undeformed holographic  $\text{CFT}_2$  [20]. On the other hand, the second term proportional to  $\mu$  indicates the effects of the  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$  deformation which, upon using the holographic dictionary in Eq. (4.1) and the usual Brown-Henneaux relation in  $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$  [67], matches with the field theoretic calculations in Eq. (3.15) up to the crossing contributions. As discussed earlier, the computations in the Appendix reveal that the crossing integral is vanishingly small in the proximity limit ( $\eta \sim 1$ ). Therefore, the crossing

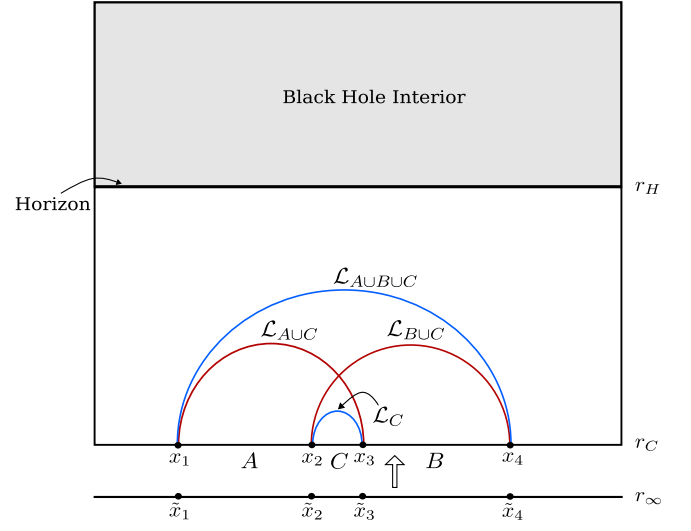


FIG. 3. Holographic entanglement negativity for two disjoint intervals in a  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ .

contributions are subdominant in the large central-charge limit and naturally the holographic computations do not capture their significance.

### B. Two adjacent intervals

In the  $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$  setup, the entanglement negativity between two adjacent intervals  $A$  and  $B$  in a holographic  $\text{CFT}_2$  is proportional to the holographic mutual information as follows [19,34]:

$$\mathcal{E}(A:B) = \frac{3}{16G_N} (\mathcal{L}_A + \mathcal{L}_B - \mathcal{L}_{A \cup B}) \equiv \frac{3}{4} \mathcal{I}(A:B), \quad (4.9)$$

where in the last equality, the Ryu-Takayanagi formula has been utilized.

For two adjacent intervals  $A = [x_1, x_2]$  and  $B = [x_2, x_3]$  in a thermal  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  defined on a temporally compactified cylinder of circumference  $\beta$ , application of the above holographic formula leads to the expression

$$\mathcal{E}^{(\mu)}(A:B) = \frac{3R}{16G_N} \log \left[ \frac{(\mathcal{A}(x_1, x_2) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(x_1, x_2)^2 - 1})(\mathcal{A}(x_2, x_3) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(x_2, x_3)^2 - 1})}{(\mathcal{A}(x_1, x_3) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(x_1, x_3)^2 - 1})} \right]. \quad (4.10)$$

The schematic of the configuration is sketched in Fig. 4.

Expanding the above result for a small deformation of the dual  $\text{CFT}_2$  at a high temperature  $\beta \ll x_{ij}$  and utilizing the holographic dictionary from Eq. (4.1) we obtain

$$\mathcal{E}^{(\mu)}(A:B) = \frac{3R}{8G_N} \log \left[ \frac{\beta \sinh\left(\frac{\pi x_{12}}{\beta}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{\pi x_{23}}{\beta}\right)}{\pi \epsilon \sinh\left(\frac{\pi x_{13}}{\beta}\right)} \right] + \frac{3\pi^4 \mu R^2}{16\beta^3 G_N^2} \left[ x_{12} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{12}}{\beta}\right) + x_{23} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{23}}{\beta}\right) - x_{13} \coth\left(\frac{\pi x_{13}}{\beta}\right) \right]. \quad (4.11)$$

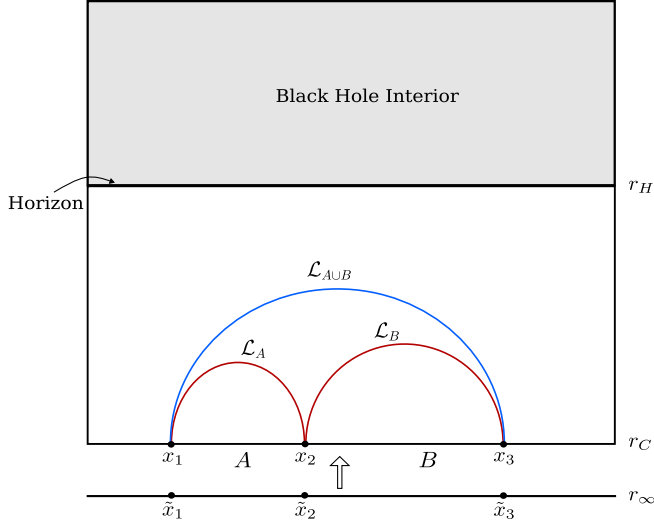


FIG. 4. Holographic entanglement negativity for two adjacent intervals in a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ .

Once again, the first term on the right-hand side corresponds to the holographic entanglement negativity in the usual  $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$  scenario [19]. The term proportional to  $\mu$  corresponds to the leading-order corrections due to the deformation of the  $\text{CFT}_2$  which, upon using the holographic dictionary in Eq. (4.1) and the usual Brown-Henneaux relation in  $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$  [67], matches with the field theoretic calculations in Eq. (3.20) up to the crossing contributions. Once again, this is expected since the crossing terms are vanishingly small as described in the Appendix and therefore do not contribute in the large central-charge limit.

### C. A single interval

In the context of  $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$  correspondence, the holographic characterization of entanglement negativity for a single interval  $A$  at a finite temperature requires the introduction of two auxiliary large but finite intervals  $B_1, B_2$  sandwiching the single interval in question [8]. One then computes yet another algebraic sum of the lengths

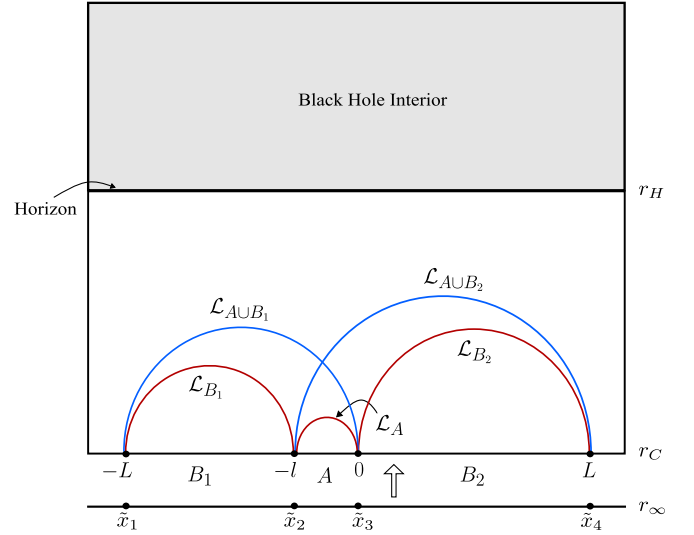


FIG. 5. Holographic entanglement negativity for a single interval in a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ .

of minimal bulk spacelike geodesics homologous to certain combination of the subsystems involved [18,34]. Finally, the bipartite limit  $B_1 \cup B_2 \rightarrow A^c$  leads to the correct holographic entanglement negativity for  $A$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{E}(A:A^c) = \lim_{B_1 \cup B_2 \rightarrow A^c} \frac{3}{16G_N} \times (2\mathcal{L}_A + \mathcal{L}_{B_1} + \mathcal{L}_{B_2} - \mathcal{L}_{A \cup B_1} - \mathcal{L}_{A \cup B_2}). \quad (4.12)$$

Now we consider a single interval  $A = [-\ell, 0]$  in the thermal  $\text{CFT}_2$  with a  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformation. Similar to the case of a single interval in an undeformed thermal  $\text{CFT}_2$  described in [8,18], we introduce two large auxiliary intervals  $B_1 = [-L, -\ell]$  and  $B_2 = [0, L]$  sandwiching the interval  $A$  in question. The schematic of the setup is depicted in Fig. 5.

Utilizing the length of the minimal boundary anchored spacelike geodesic given in Eq. (4.4) the entanglement negativity between  $A$  and  $B \equiv B_1 \cup B_2$  may be obtained as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}^{(\mu)}(A:B) &= \frac{3}{4}(\mathcal{I}(A:B_1) + \mathcal{I}(A:B_2)) \\ &= \frac{3R}{16G_N} \log \left[ \frac{(\mathcal{A}(-L, -\ell) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(-L, -\ell)^2 - 1})(\mathcal{A}(-\ell, 0) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(-\ell, 0)^2 - 1})}{(\mathcal{A}(-L, 0) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(-L, 0)^2 - 1})} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{3R}{16G_N} \log \left[ \frac{(\mathcal{A}(-\ell, 0) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(-\ell, 0)^2 - 1})(\mathcal{A}(0, L) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(0, L)^2 - 1})}{(\mathcal{A}(-\ell, L) + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}(-\ell, L)^2 - 1})} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.13)$$

In the limit of a large cutoff radius  $r_C$ , the leading-order expression for the entanglement negativity at high temperature reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}^{(\mu)}(A:B) &= \frac{3R}{8G_N} \log \left[ \frac{\beta^2 \sinh^2\left(\frac{\pi\ell}{\beta}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{\pi(L-\ell)}{\beta}\right)}{\pi^2 e^2 \sinh\left(\frac{\pi(L+\ell)}{\beta}\right)} \right] \\ &+ \frac{3\mu R^2 \pi^4}{16G_N^2 \beta^3} \left[ (L+\ell) \coth\left(\frac{\pi(L+\ell)}{\beta}\right) - (L-\ell) \coth\left(\frac{\pi(L-\ell)}{\beta}\right) - 2\ell \coth\left(\frac{\pi\ell}{\beta}\right) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.14)$$

The bipartite limit may now be achieved by making the auxiliary intervals semi-infinite in length. Therefore, the entanglement negativity for the single interval  $A$  in the  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  is obtained as

$$\mathcal{E}^{(\mu)}(A:A^c) = \frac{3R}{4G_N} \left[ \log \left( \frac{\beta}{\pi\epsilon} \sinh\left(\frac{\pi\ell}{\beta}\right) \right) - \frac{\pi\ell}{\beta} \right] - \frac{3\mu\pi^4 R^2 \ell}{8\beta^3 G_N^2} \left[ -1 + \coth\left(\frac{\pi\ell}{\beta}\right) \right]. \quad (4.15)$$

Once again, the first term on the left-hand side corresponds to the entanglement negativity for a single interval in a finite temperature undeformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  while the terms proportional to  $\mu$  correspond to the leading-order corrections due to the  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformation. Note that, in writing Eq. (4.15) we have already made use of the holographic dictionary in Eq. (4.1). The above expression matches with the field theoretic computations in Eq. (3.26) apart from the crossing term and the nonuniversal contributions coming from the arbitrary function  $f(\eta)$ . This is expected, since the nonuniversal contributions are generally subdominant in the large central-charge limit as discussed in [18]. Furthermore, the mismatch of the crossing contributions may be interpreted as follows. As seen from the first equality in Eq. (4.13) as well as from Eq. (4.10) the entanglement negativity for the single interval is given by the sum of the individual entanglement negativities for the adjacent subsystems  $(A, B_1)$  and  $(A, B_2)$  respectively [18]. As argued earlier in Sec. IV B, for adjacent intervals the effects of the crossing integrals are subdominant in the large central charge limit. Hence, in the present case we may also neglect the effects of the crossing terms for a holographic  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ .

## V. SUMMARY AND DISCUSSIONS

In this work, we have studied the entanglement negativity for various bipartite mixed states in a thermal  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  for a small deformation parameter  $\mu$ . We have developed a perturbative formula for computing the first order corrections to the entanglement negativity for bipartite states utilizing the replica technique. For a bipartite state  $\rho_{AB}$  in a deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ , our formula involves definite integrals of the expectation value of the  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$  operator over the replica manifold  $\mathcal{M}_{n_e}$  obtained by taking an  $n_e$ -fold cover of the original manifold where the replica index  $n_e$  is an even integer. Utilizing the twist-operator formalism, these expectation values may be recast into various correlation functions of twist operators placed at the endpoints of the subsystems  $A$  and  $B$ , including appropriate insertions of stress tensors. Subsequently, we

have computed the entanglement negativity for two disjoint, two adjacent and a single interval in a  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$  at a finite temperature. The technical details are collected in the Appendix. Note that the definite integrals of the stress tensor expectation values may be classified into the holomorphic, antiholomorphic and the mixing categories. The mixing integrals originate from the crossing correlations between the holomorphic and the antiholomorphic parts and are in general nonvanishing. However, we have found that for two disjoint intervals in proximity, the mixing terms are negligibly small compared to the other contributions and hence may be neglected altogether.

Furthermore, we have advanced a holographic construction for computing the entanglement negativity in  $\overline{\text{T}\overline{\text{T}}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ s with a large central charge and sparse spectrum. The holographic dual of such  $\text{CFT}_2$ s with irrelevant deformation is given by  $\text{AdS}_3$  geometries with a finite cutoff  $r_C$ . Our holographic constructions for the entanglement negativity for different bipartite states involve algebraic sums of the lengths of minimal spacelike geodesics homologous to the subsystems involved. It is interesting to note that the holographic constructions can deal with arbitrary deformation parameters at any temperature. In the high-temperature limit, for a small deformation parameter  $\mu$  our holographic results match with the corresponding field theoretic calculations with a large central charge, up to the mixing or crossing contributions. This may be interpreted as the mixing terms becoming very small in the large central-charge limit as compared to the holomorphic and antiholomorphic contributions. This provides a nontrivial consistency check of our holographic constructions. It is important to note that according to a refined version of the holographic constructions [34] based on [35], the entanglement negativity is given in terms of the lengths of bulk cosmic branes homologous to various combinations of the subsystems involved. These cosmic branes have finite tension for a finite replica parameter  $n_e$  and hence backreact on the ambient geometry and onto each other nontrivially. We expect that a closer

investigation of these backreactions may reveal a connection to the holographic origin of the crossing correlations.

Note that, in an earlier work [57], a low-temperature expansion of the leading-order corrections to the entanglement wedge cross section was investigated and a mismatch was found with the corresponding field theoretic replica technique results. In this context, we have explored the alternative holographic proposal [27,28] based on the entanglement wedge cross section and a preliminary exposition<sup>6</sup> reveals that the leading order correction in the high-temperature limit conforms to the entanglement negativity obtained in the present work. On the other hand, the zeroth order results still differ from the field theoretic entanglement negativity by certain additive constants proportional to the central charge  $c$  (cf. Footnote 4). In light of these differences as well as the work in [57], we expect that the applicability of the alternative holographic proposal for the entanglement negativity to  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$ -deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ s requires further investigation.

There are various possible future directions to explore, for example a generalization of our construction to higher dimensions. In particular, for sufficiently symmetric setups in higher dimensions, an investigation of the interactions between different cosmic branes may shed light on the holographic counterpart of the mixing between the

holomorphic and antiholomorphic modes. It will also be interesting to extend our formalism to other entanglement and correlation measures such as the odd entanglement entropy [68], the balance partial entanglement [69] or the entanglement of purification [60,70].

## APPENDIX: THE INTEGRALS

In this appendix we present the details of integrations of Eqs. (3.14), (3.19), and (3.25). Here the integrations have been performed on the cylindrical manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  described by the Euclidean complex coordinates  $(x, \tau)$  with appropriate limits.

### 1. Disjoint intervals

We assume that  $z_1 < z_2 < z_3 < z_4$  without any loss of generality. In the following, we will systematically evaluate the holomorphic, antiholomorphic and the crossing contributions to the definite integral in Eq. (3.14).

#### a. Holomorphic integral

The holomorphic part of the integration in Eq. (3.14) is given by

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2w \frac{z^2(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)}{(z - z_1)(z - z_2)(z - z_3)(z - z_4)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \int_0^{\beta} d\tau \left[ \frac{e^{\frac{4\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}}(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)}{(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_1)(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_2)(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_3)(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_4)} \right]. \quad (\text{A1})$$

Firstly, we carry out the indefinite integration with respect to  $\tau$  and find the primitive function to be

$$-\frac{i\beta}{2\pi}(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4) \left[ \frac{z_1 \log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_1)}{(z_1 - z_2)(z_1 - z_3)(z_1 - z_4)} - \frac{z_2 \log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_2)}{(z_1 - z_2)(z_2 - z_3)(z_2 - z_4)} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{z_3 \log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_3)}{(z_1 - z_3)(-z_2 + z_3)(z_3 - z_4)} - \frac{z_4 \log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_4)}{(z_1 - z_4)(-z_2 + z_4)(-z_3 + z_4)} \right]. \quad (\text{A2})$$

The logarithmic functions require a careful investigation before putting the integration limits,  $\tau = 0$  and  $\tau = \beta$ , due to the presence of branch cuts. The contribution due to a branch cut is incorporated through the following identity [49,51]:

$$\log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_j) \Big|_{\tau=0}^{\tau=\beta} = \begin{cases} 2\pi i, & \text{for } e^{\frac{2\pi x}{\beta}} > z_j \Leftrightarrow x > \frac{\beta}{2\pi} \log z_j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A3})$$

Therefore, the range of the  $x$ -integrals get modified for each of the four terms in the integrand as follows:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \rightarrow \int_{\frac{\beta}{2\pi} \log z_j}^{\infty} dx, \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, 3, 4. \quad (\text{A4})$$

<sup>6</sup>A rigorous analysis of the entanglement wedge cross section for finite cutoff geometries dual to  $\text{T}\bar{\text{T}}$  deformed  $\text{CFT}_2$ s goes beyond the scope of the present work and we leave the same for future explorations.

Finally, we integrate over  $x$  and insert the limits according to the above prescription to obtain,

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2w \left( \frac{z^2(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)}{(z - z_1)(z - z_2)(z - z_3)(z - z_4)} \right) = -\frac{\beta^2}{2\pi} \left[ z_1 \left( \frac{1}{z_{13}} \log \left( \frac{z_1}{z_3} \right) - \frac{1}{z_{14}} \log \left( \frac{z_1}{z_4} \right) \right) + z_2 \left( -\frac{1}{z_{23}} \log \left( \frac{z_2}{z_3} \right) + \frac{1}{z_{24}} \log \left( \frac{z_2}{z_4} \right) \right) \right]. \quad (\text{A5})$$

We have worked out the integration of the antiholomorphic part through a similar analysis and have found that the result is same as the holomorphic case.

### b. Crossing integral

Now we will solve for the integration of the mixing term in Eq. (3.14) which reads,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2w \left( \frac{z^2(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)}{(z - z_1)(z - z_2)(z - z_3)(z - z_4)} \right) \left( \frac{\bar{z}^2(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_2)(\bar{z}_3 - \bar{z}_4)}{(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_1)(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_2)(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_3)(\bar{z} - \bar{z}_4)} \right) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \int_0^{\beta} d\tau \left[ \frac{e^{\frac{4\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} (z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)}{(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_1)(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_2)(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_3)(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_4)} \times \text{c.c.} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A6})$$

The indefinite integration with respect to  $\tau$  results in

$$\frac{i\beta}{2\pi} e^{\frac{8\pi x}{\beta}} (\mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B}), \quad (\text{A7})$$

where  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A} &= \mathcal{A}_1 + \mathcal{A}_2 + \mathcal{A}_3 + \mathcal{A}_4, \\ \mathcal{B} &= \mathcal{B}_1 + \mathcal{B}_2 + \mathcal{B}_3 + \mathcal{B}_4, \\ \mathcal{A}_1 &= -\frac{z_1^3(z_3 - z_4)(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_2)(\bar{z}_3 - \bar{z}_4)}{(z_1 - z_3)(z_1 - z_4)(z_1\bar{z}_1 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_1\bar{z}_2 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_1\bar{z}_3 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_1\bar{z}_4 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})} \log \left( e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_1 \right), \\ \mathcal{A}_2 &= \frac{z_2^3(z_3 - z_4)(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_2)(\bar{z}_3 - \bar{z}_4)}{(z_2 - z_3)(z_2 - z_4)(z_2\bar{z}_1 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_2\bar{z}_2 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_2\bar{z}_3 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_2\bar{z}_4 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})} \log \left( e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_2 \right), \\ \mathcal{A}_3 &= \frac{z_3^3(z_1 - z_2)(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_2)(\bar{z}_3 - \bar{z}_4)}{(z_1 - z_3)(z_3 - z_2)(z_3\bar{z}_1 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_3\bar{z}_2 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_3\bar{z}_3 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_3\bar{z}_4 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})} \log \left( e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_3 \right), \\ \mathcal{A}_4 &= -\frac{z_4^3(z_1 - z_2)(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_2)(\bar{z}_3 - \bar{z}_4)}{(z_1 - z_4)(z_4 - z_2)(z_4\bar{z}_1 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_4\bar{z}_2 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_4\bar{z}_3 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})(z_4\bar{z}_4 - e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}})} \log \left( e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_4 \right), \\ \mathcal{B}_1 &= \frac{\bar{z}_1^3(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)(\bar{z}_3 - \bar{z}_4)}{(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_1\bar{z}_1)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_2\bar{z}_1)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_3\bar{z}_1)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_4\bar{z}_1)(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_3)(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_4)} \log \left( e^{\frac{2\pi x}{\beta}} - e^{\frac{2i\pi\tau}{\beta}} \bar{z}_1 \right), \\ \mathcal{B}_2 &= -\frac{\bar{z}_2^3(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)(\bar{z}_3 - \bar{z}_4)}{(\bar{z}_2 - \bar{z}_3)(\bar{z}_2 - \bar{z}_4)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_1\bar{z}_2)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_2\bar{z}_2)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_3\bar{z}_2)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_4\bar{z}_2)} \log \left( e^{\frac{2\pi x}{\beta}} - e^{\frac{2i\pi\tau}{\beta}} \bar{z}_2 \right), \\ \mathcal{B}_3 &= -\frac{\bar{z}_3^3(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_2)}{(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_3)(\bar{z}_3 - \bar{z}_2)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_1\bar{z}_3)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_2\bar{z}_3)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_3\bar{z}_3)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_4\bar{z}_3)} \log \left( e^{\frac{2\pi x}{\beta}} - e^{\frac{2i\pi\tau}{\beta}} \bar{z}_3 \right), \\ \mathcal{B}_4 &= \frac{\bar{z}_4^3(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_2)}{(\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_4)(\bar{z}_4 - \bar{z}_2)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_1\bar{z}_4)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_2\bar{z}_4)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_3\bar{z}_4)(e^{\frac{4\pi x}{\beta}} - z_4\bar{z}_4)} \log \left( e^{\frac{2\pi x}{\beta}} - e^{\frac{2i\pi\tau}{\beta}} \bar{z}_4 \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A8})$$

The identity of Eq. (A3) suggests the following modifications of the  $x$ -integration limits:

$$\mathcal{A}_k: \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \rightarrow \int_{\frac{\beta}{2\pi} \log z_k}^{\infty} dx, \quad \mathcal{B}_k: \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{\beta}{2\pi} \log \bar{z}_k} dx.$$

After integrating over  $x$  with the above limits, we finally determine the crossing integral as

$$\frac{\beta^2}{2\pi|z_{13}|^2|z_{23}|^2|z_{14}|^2|z_{24}|^2} [-z_1 z_{23} z_{24} z_{34} (\bar{z}_1 \bar{z}_{23} \bar{z}_{24} \bar{z}_{34} \log z_{1\bar{1}} - \bar{z}_2 \bar{z}_{13} \bar{z}_{14} \bar{z}_{34} \log z_{1\bar{2}} + \bar{z}_3 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{14} \bar{z}_{24} \log z_{1\bar{3}} - \bar{z}_4 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{13} \bar{z}_{23} \log z_{1\bar{4}}) \\ + z_2 z_{13} z_{14} z_{34} (\bar{z}_1 \bar{z}_{23} \bar{z}_{24} \bar{z}_{34} \log z_{2\bar{1}} - \bar{z}_2 \bar{z}_{13} \bar{z}_{14} \bar{z}_{34} \log z_{2\bar{2}} + \bar{z}_3 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{14} \bar{z}_{24} \log z_{2\bar{3}} - \bar{z}_4 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{13} \bar{z}_{23} \log z_{2\bar{4}}) \\ - z_3 z_{12} z_{14} z_{24} (\bar{z}_1 \bar{z}_{23} \bar{z}_{24} \bar{z}_{34} \log z_{3\bar{1}} - \bar{z}_2 \bar{z}_{13} \bar{z}_{14} \bar{z}_{34} \log z_{3\bar{2}} + \bar{z}_3 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{14} \bar{z}_{24} \log z_{3\bar{3}} - \bar{z}_4 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{13} \bar{z}_{23} \log z_{3\bar{4}}) \\ + z_4 z_{12} z_{13} z_{23} (\bar{z}_1 \bar{z}_{23} \bar{z}_{24} \bar{z}_{34} \log z_{4\bar{1}} - \bar{z}_2 \bar{z}_{13} \bar{z}_{14} \bar{z}_{34} \log z_{4\bar{2}} + \bar{z}_3 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{14} \bar{z}_{24} \log z_{4\bar{3}} - \bar{z}_4 \bar{z}_{12} \bar{z}_{13} \bar{z}_{23} \log z_{4\bar{4}})]. \quad (\text{A9})$$

We have explicitly checked that the expression in Eq. (A9) vanishes when the disjoint intervals are in proximity to each other.

## 2. Adjacent intervals

The holomorphic part of the integral in Eq. (3.19) is given by

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2 w \frac{z^2 (z_1 - z_2)(z_2 - z_3)}{(z - z_1)(z - z_2)^2 (z - z_3)} \\ = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \int_0^{\beta} d\tau \frac{e^{\frac{4\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} (z_1 - z_2)(z_2 - z_3)}{(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_1)(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_2)^2 (e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_3)}. \quad (\text{A10})$$

We use a similar procedure to the case of disjoint intervals described earlier. First we integrate over  $\tau$  and obtain the primitive function to be

$$\frac{i\beta}{2\pi} z_{12} z_{23} \left[ -\frac{z_2}{z_{12} z_{23} (e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_2)} - \frac{z_1 \log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_1)}{z_{12}^2 z_{13}} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{(z_2^2 - z_1 z_3) \log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_2)}{z_{12}^2 z_{23}^2} + \frac{z_3 \log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_3)}{z_{13} z_{23}^2} \right]. \quad (\text{A11})$$

The first term in the above expression vanishes when we insert the integration limits  $\tau = 0$  and  $\tau = \beta$ , whereas the logarithmic function contributes according to the identity in

Eq. (A3). Again, the branch cut of the logarithmic function changes the limits of integration over  $x$  as follows:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \rightarrow \int_{\frac{\beta}{2\pi} \log z_j}^{\infty} dx, \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, 3.$$

Finally, we perform the  $x$ -integration to obtain,

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2 w \frac{z^2 z_{12} z_{23}}{(z - z_1)(z - z_2)^2 (z - z_3)} \\ = -\frac{\beta^2}{2\pi z_{12} z_{13} z_{23}} \left[ z_1 z_{23}^2 \log\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right) + z_{12}^2 z_3 \log\left(\frac{z_2}{z_3}\right) \right]. \quad (\text{A12})$$

The antiholomorphic integral may also be tackled in a similar fashion. For our case with spatial intervals ( $z_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ), we find that integration over the antiholomorphic part exactly reproduces Eq. (A12). We can also evaluate the crossing integral for two adjacent intervals from first principles utilizing the method outlined in the previous subsection. Alternatively, we may take the adjacent limit  $z_3 \rightarrow z_2, \bar{z}_3 \rightarrow \bar{z}_2$  of the disjoint crossing integral in Eq. (A9) to write

$$\delta \mathcal{E}_{\text{cross}}^{(\text{adj})} = \delta \mathcal{E}_{\text{cross}}^{(\text{disj})} (z_3 \rightarrow z_2, \bar{z}_3 \rightarrow \bar{z}_2).$$

## 3. Single interval

The holomorphic part of the integration in Eq. (3.25) is

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2 w \left[ \frac{z^2}{(z - z_2)^2} + \frac{z^2}{(z - z_3)^2} - \sum_{j=1}^4 \frac{z^2}{(z - z_j)} \partial_{z_j} \log [z_{23}^2 \eta f(\eta)] \right] \\ = - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \int_0^{\beta} d\tau \frac{e^{\frac{4\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} z_{23}}{(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_1)(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_2)^2 (e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_3)^2 (e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_4)} \\ \times \left[ z_1 z_2 z_{34} + z_{12} z_3 z_4 + (z_{12} - z_{34}) e^{\frac{4\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} + 2(z_1 z_3 - z_2 z_4) e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} + (e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_2)(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}} - z_3) z_{14} \frac{\eta f'(\eta)}{f(\eta)} \right]. \quad (\text{A13})$$

Firstly, we perform an indefinite integration over  $\tau$  and obtain,

$$-\frac{i\beta}{2\pi} \frac{z_{23}}{z_{13} z_{24} f(\eta)} (\mathcal{C} + \mathcal{D}), \quad (\text{A14})$$

where  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  are given as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{C} &= -\frac{z_{13}z_{24}}{z_{23}}f(\eta)\left[\frac{z_2}{(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}}-z_2)}+\frac{z_3}{(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}}-z_3)}\right], \\
 \mathcal{D} &= [f(\eta)+\eta f'(\eta)](\mathcal{D}_1+\mathcal{D}_4)+\frac{1}{z_{23}}(\mathcal{D}_2+\mathcal{D}_3), \\
 \mathcal{D}_1 &= -\frac{z_1z_{24}}{z_{12}}\log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}}-z_1), \\
 \mathcal{D}_2 &= \frac{z_{13}}{z_{12}}[[z_2(z_2^2+z_2(z_3-2z_4)-z_1(2z_3-z_4))+z_1z_3z_4]f(\eta)+z_2z_{23}z_{14}\eta f'(\eta)]\log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}}-z_2), \\
 \mathcal{D}_3 &= -\frac{z_{24}}{z_{34}}[[z_3(z_3^2+z_2(z_3-2z_4)-z_1(2z_3-z_4))+z_1z_2z_4]f(\eta)+z_3z_{23}z_{14}\eta f'(\eta)]\log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}}-z_3), \\
 \mathcal{D}_4 &= \frac{z_4z_{13}}{z_{34}}\log(e^{\frac{2\pi(x+i\tau)}{\beta}}-z_4). \tag{A15}
 \end{aligned}$$

We notice that the expression  $\mathcal{C}$  vanishes when we insert the limits of integration  $\tau = 0$  and  $\tau = \beta$ , whereas the logarithmic terms of  $\mathcal{D}$  contribute through the identity described in Eq. (A3). Therefore, the limits of the  $x$ -integration get modified as follows:

$$\mathcal{D}_k: \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \rightarrow \int_{\frac{\beta}{2\pi}\log z_k}^{\infty} dx, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, 4. \tag{A16}$$

Subsequently, performing the  $x$ -integration over Eq. (A14) considering the modified integration limits from Eq. (A16) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{\beta^2}{2\pi z_{13}z_{24}^2} \left[ \frac{\eta}{z_{23}} (z_1z_{23}^2z_{24}z_{34}\log z_1 - z_{13}z_{34}(z_2(z_2^2+z_2(z_3-2z_4)-z_1(2z_3-z_4))+z_1z_3z_4)\log z_2 \right. \\
 &\quad + z_{12}z_{24}(z_3(z_3^2+z_2(z_3-2z_4)-z_1(2z_3-z_4))+z_1z_2z_4)\log z_3 - z_{12}z_{13}z_{23}^2z_4\log z_4) \\
 &\quad \left. + (z_1z_{23}z_{24}z_{34}\log z_1 - z_2z_{13}z_{14}z_{34}\log z_2 + z_{12}z_{14}z_{24}z_3\log z_3 - z_{12}z_{13}z_{23}z_4\log z_4) \frac{f'(\eta)}{f(\eta)} \right]. \tag{A17}
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we consider the specific case of a single interval of length  $\ell$  via the substitutions  $\{z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4\} \rightarrow \{e^{-\frac{2\pi\ell}{\beta}}, e^{-\frac{2\pi\ell}{\beta}}, 1, e^{\frac{2\pi\ell}{\beta}}\}$  and subsequently take the bipartite limit to obtain

$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2w \left[ \frac{z^2}{(z-z_2)^2} + \frac{z^2}{(z-z_3)^2} - \sum_{j=1}^4 \frac{z^2}{(z-z_j)} \partial_{z_j} \log [z_{23}^2 \eta f(\eta)] \right] = \ell \beta \left[ -1 + \coth\left(\frac{\pi\ell}{\beta}\right) - e^{-\frac{2\pi\ell}{\beta}} \frac{f'(e^{-\frac{2\pi\ell}{\beta}})}{f(e^{-\frac{2\pi\ell}{\beta}})} \right]. \tag{A18}$$

It may be shown by a similar procedure that the antiholomorphic integral also gives the same result which follows from our consideration of a spatial interval of length  $\ell$  on the cylinder. In this case also we expect the crossing term to be vanishingly small as argued in Sec. IV C.

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