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Renormalised vacuum polarisation on topological black holes

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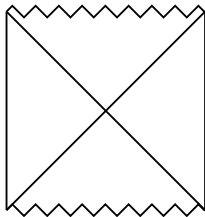
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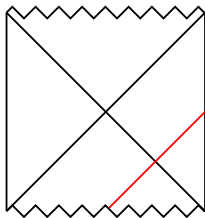
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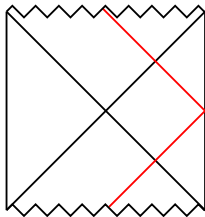
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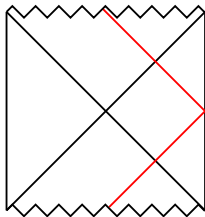


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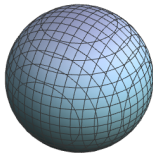
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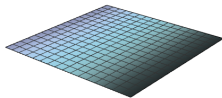
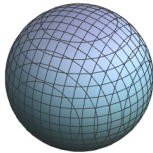
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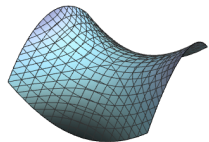
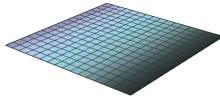
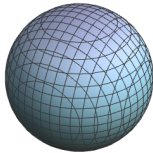
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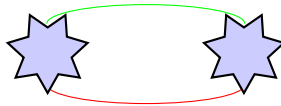
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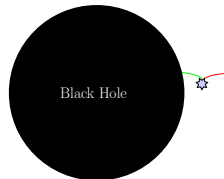
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When a black hole is present, one of the particles can be trapped behind the event horizon, whilst the other escapes.²



²S. W. Hawking, *Communications in math. phys.*, 1975

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This diverges in the coincidence limit $x' \rightarrow x$.

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The Extended Coordinates method

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The value of the vacuum polarisation is constant in a spacetime without a black hole.

In “pure” adS space, this value can be found analytically⁴.

If $r_h = 2$, $\Lambda = -3$, then

$$\langle \phi^2 \rangle_{ren} = \frac{-1}{48\pi^2}, \quad \text{Dirichlet bcs}$$

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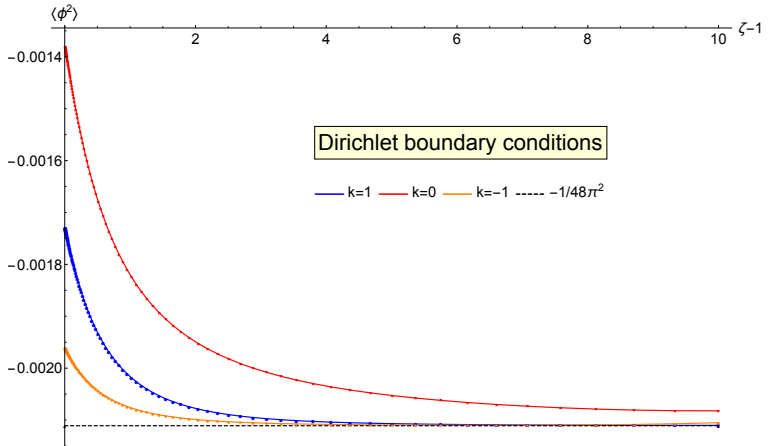
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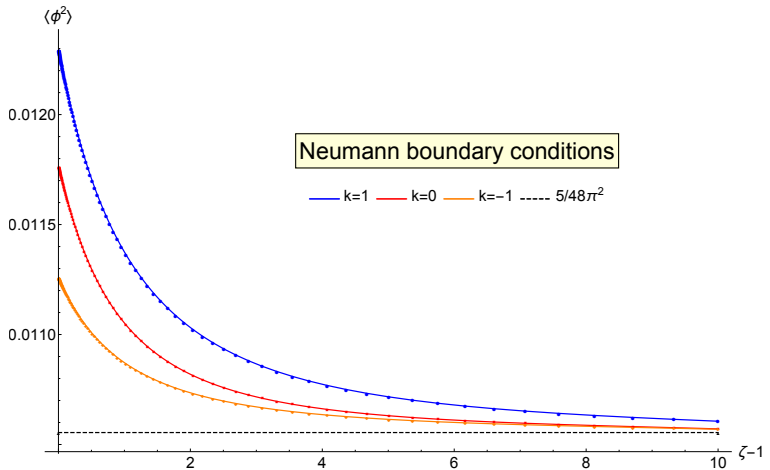
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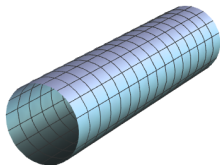
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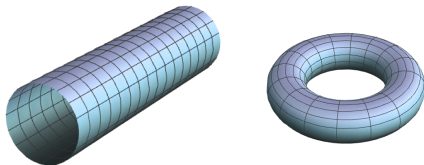
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