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Positive sum rules in gravitational EFTs

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We explore constraints on low-energy dynamics which stem from assuming causality of 2->2 scattering at all energy scales. I will review a key ingredient added recently: low-energy crossing symmetry, which bounds the couplings of spinning heavy states and ensures that sum rules are dominated by (unknown) states of low spin. Gravity is special since its tree-level energy growth already requires a UV completion. This implies roughly that gravity is attractive at all scales. I describe model-independent constraints which exploit low-energy crossing to account for the graviton pole.

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