

# Applications of Scattering Amplitudes to Gravitational Waves

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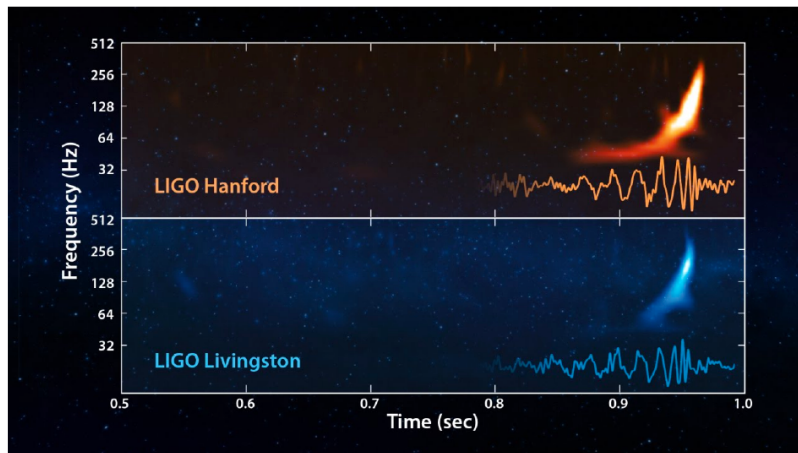
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# Outline

**Era of gravitational-wave astronomy has begun.**

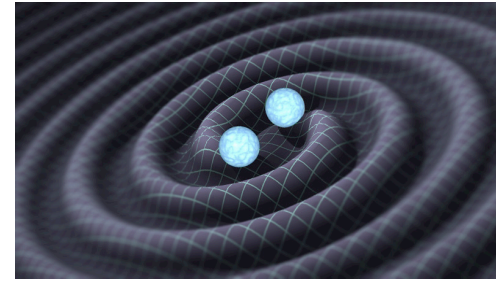
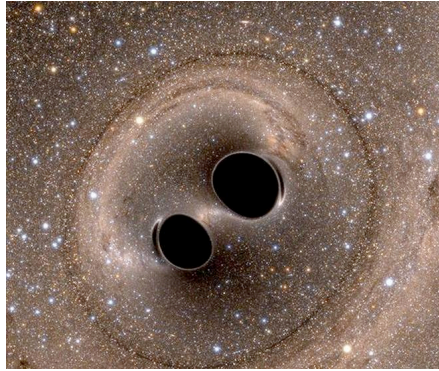


See Buonanno's talk

1. Completion of  $G^4$  conservative part of spinless 2 body interaction.
2. New results and conjectures for spin.
4. Outlook.

Also talks from Jones, Kosower, Levi, Mogull, Shen, Travaglini

# Basic Problem: Two Body Interactions



**In center of mass frame:**

$$m = m_A + m_B, \quad \nu = \mu/M,$$

$$\mu = m_A m_B / m, \quad P_R = P \cdot \hat{R}$$

$$\frac{H}{\mu} = \frac{P^2}{2} - \frac{Gm}{R} \quad \leftarrow \text{Newton}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{c^2} \left\{ -\frac{P^4}{8} + \frac{3\nu P^4}{8} + \frac{Gm}{R} \left( -\frac{P_R^2 \nu}{2} - \frac{3P^2}{2} - \frac{\nu P^2}{2} \right) + \frac{G^2 m^2}{2R^2} \right\}$$

+ ...

$\leftarrow$  **1PN: Einstein, Infeld, Hoffmann;  
Droste, Lorentz**

**Hamiltonian known to 4PN order.**

**2PN:** Ohta, Okamura, Kimura and Hiida.

**3PN:** Damour, Jaranowski and Schaefer; L. Blanchet and G. Faye.

**4PN:** Damour, Jaranowski and Schaefer; Foffa (2017), Porto, Rothstein, Sturani (2019).

# PN versus PM expansion for conservative two-body dynamics

$$\mathcal{L} = -Mc^2 + \underbrace{\frac{\mu v^2}{2} + \frac{GM\mu}{r}}_{\text{non-spinning compact objects}} + \frac{1}{c^2} [\dots] + \frac{1}{c^4} [\dots] + \dots$$

From Buonanno  
Amplitudes 2018

$$E(v) = -\frac{\mu}{2} v^2 + \dots$$

non-spinning compact objects

|      |   | 0PN   | 1PN     | 2PN       | 3PN       | 4PN       | 5PN        | ... |
|------|---|-------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----|
| 0PM: | 1 | $v^2$ | $v^4$   | $v^6$     | $v^8$     | $v^{10}$  | $v^{12}$   | ... |
| 1PM: |   | $1/r$ | $v^2/r$ | $v^4/r$   | $v^6/r$   | $v^8/r$   | $v^{10}/r$ | ... |
| 2PM: |   |       | $1/r^2$ | $v^2/r^2$ | $v^4/r^2$ | $v^6/r^2$ | $v^8/r^2$  | ... |
| 3PM: |   |       |         | $1/r^3$   | $v^2/r^3$ | $v^4/r^3$ | $v^6/r^3$  | ... |
| 4PM: |   |       |         |           | $1/r^4$   | $v^2/r^4$ | $v^4/r^4$  | ... |
| ...  |   |       |         |           |           | ...       | ...        | ... |

(credit: Justin Vines)

$$1 \rightarrow Mc^2, \quad v^2 \rightarrow \frac{v^2}{c^2}, \quad \frac{1}{r} \rightarrow \frac{GM}{rc^2}.$$

current known  
PN results

current known  
PM results

overlap between  
PN & PM results

unknown

- PM results (Westfahl 79, Westfahl & Goller 80, Portilla 79-80, Bel et al. 81, Ledvinka et al. 10, Damour 16-17, Guevara 17, Vines 17, Bini & Damour 17-18, Vines in prep)

# Importing QFT Methods

In QFT we are very good at perturbation theory.  
Vast experience with gauge and gravity theories.

## Highlight of imported field theory methods:

1. **Unitarity method for building integrands.** ZB, Dunbar, Dixon, Kosower
2. **Double copy: Gravity  $\sim$  (gauge theory)<sup>2</sup>**  
Kawai, Lewellen, Tye; ZB, Carrasco, Johansson
3. **Method of regions.** Beneke and Smirnov
4. **NRQCD and EFT methods.** Caswell and Lepage; Luke, Manohar, Rothstein
5. **IBP reductions for Feynman integrals.** Chetyrkin, Tkachov; Laporta
6. **Method of differential equations for Feynman integrals.**  
Kotikov, ZB, Dixon and Kosower; Gehrmann, Remiddi; Henn, Smirnov

**We leverage advances in scattering amplitudes to help with gravitational-wave physics.**

# Various Amplitudes Methods

There are now multiple methods for using amplitudes:

- **EFT matching to extract Hamiltonian** Cheung, Rothstein, Solon  
ZB, C. Cheung, R. Roiban, C. H. Shen, M. Solon, M. Zeng
- **Calculate physical observables** Kosower, Maybee, O'Connell (KMOC)
- **Eikonal Phase** Amati, Ciafaloni, Veneziano;  
Di Vecchia, Heissenberg, Russo, Veneziano
- **Amplitude Action Relation** ZB, Parra-Martinez, Roiban, Ruf,  
Shen, Solon, Zeng
- **Exponential representation** Damgaard, Plante, Vanhove
- **Heavy mass field theory** Brandhuber, Chen, Travaglini, Wen  
Damgaard, Haddad, Helset
- **Spin methods** Arikani-Hamed, Huang, O'Connell; Guevara, Ochirov, Vines,  
Chen, Huang, Kim, Lee; Bautista, Geuvara, Kavanagh;  
ZB, Luna, Roiban, Shen, Zeng + Kosmopoulos, Teng;  
Febres Cordero, Kraus, Lin, Ruf, Zeng
- **World line formalisms** Goldberger, Rothstein; Levi, Steinhoff;  
Dlapa, Kälin, Liu, Porto;  
Jakobson, Mogul, Plefka, Steinhoff; Edison, Levi

All are fine. Key issue at high orders is efficient loop integration.

# Amplitude in Conservative Classical Potential Limit

ZB, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng (BCRSSZ)

The computation of  $\mathcal{O}(G^3)$  or 3PM conservative part convinced our GR friends that amplitude methods are useful:

$$\mathcal{M}_3 = \frac{\pi G^3 \nu^2 m^4 \log q^2}{6\gamma^2 \xi} \left[ 3 - 6\nu + 206\nu\sigma - 54\sigma^2 + 108\nu\sigma^2 + 4\nu\sigma^3 - \frac{48\nu(3 + 12\sigma^2 - 4\sigma^4) \operatorname{arcsinh} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma-1}{2}}}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} - \frac{18\nu\gamma(1 - 2\sigma^2)(1 - 5\sigma^2)}{(1 + \gamma)(1 + \sigma)} \right] + \frac{8\pi^3 G^3 \nu^4 m^6}{\gamma^4 \xi} \left[ 3\gamma(1 - 2\sigma^2)(1 - 5\sigma^2)F_1 - 32m^2\nu^2(1 - 2\sigma^2)^3 F_2 \right]$$

$$m = m_1 + m_2, \quad \mu = m_A m_B / m, \quad \nu = \mu / m, \quad \gamma = E / m, \\ \xi = E_1 E_2 / E^2, \quad E = E_1 + E_2, \quad \sigma = p_1 \cdot p_2 / m_1 m_2,$$

- **Amplitude remarkably compact.**
- **Derived conservative scattering angle has simple mass dependence.**

Observed by Antonelli, Buonanno, Steinhoff, van de Meent, Vines (1901.07102)  
Comprehensive understanding: Damour

- **Extracted Hamiltonian requested by our GR friends.**

# Key Question: How do we know it is right?

## Original check:

### Compared to 4PN Hamiltonians after canonical transformation

Damour, Jaranowski, Schäfer; Bernard, Blanchet, Bohé, Faye, Marsat

**Thibault Damour seriously questioned correctness.**

**Specific corrections proposed.** Damour, arXiv:1912.02139v1

### Subsequent calculations confirm our 3PM Hamiltonian:

#### 1. Papers confirming our result in 6PN overlap.

Blümlein, Maier, Marquard, Schäfer;  
Bini, Damour, Geralico

#### 2. Subsequent calculations reproducing our 3PM result.

Cheung and Solon; Kälin, Liu, Porto

#### 3. Scattering angle checks.

ZB, Ita, Parra-Martinez, Ruf

#### 4. Adding real radiation solves mass singularity puzzle.

Di Vecchia, Heissenberg, Russo, Veneziano; Damour

**3PM results have passed highly nontrivial checks and careful scrutiny.**

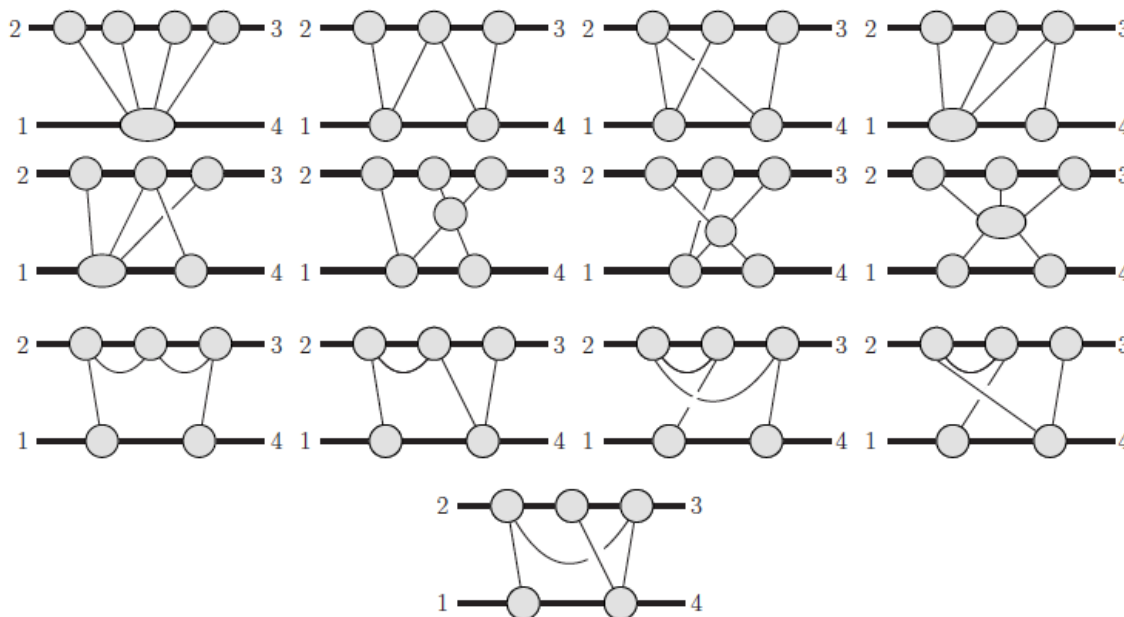


# Higher Order Scalability: $O(G^4)$

Our GR friends wanted the next order.  
Methods scale well.

ZB, Parra-Martinez, Roiban, Ruf,  
Shen, Solon, Zeng

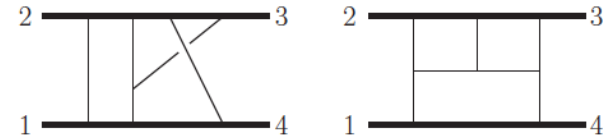
At 4PM or  $O(G^4)$  similar, except cuts more complicated and integrals significantly harder.



# High Loop Integration

ZB, Parra-Martinez, Roiban, Ruf, Shen, Solon, Zeng

Integration more challenging beyond 2 loops.



Developed a hybrid approach that combines ideas from various methods:

1. Method of regions to separate potential and radiation.

Beneke and Smirnov

2. Nonrelativistic integration. Velocity expand and then mechanically integrate. Get first few orders in velocity. Boundary conditions.

Cheung, Rothstein, Solon

3. Integration by parts and differential equations. Imported from QCD.

Chetyrkin, Tkachov; Laporta; Kotikov, Bern, Dixon and Kosower; Gehrmann, Remiddi.

Single scale integrals!

Parra-Martinez, Ruf, Zeng

**IBP:** 
$$0 = \int \prod_i^L \frac{d^D \ell_i}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{\partial}{\partial \ell_i^\mu} \frac{N^\mu(\ell_k, p_M)}{Z_1 \dots Z_n}$$

Solve linear relations between integrals in terms of master integrals.

**DEs:** 
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s_i} I_j^{\text{master}} = \text{simplified via IBP}$$

Solve DEs either as series or basis of functions.

• Many tools available: FIRE6 is more than sufficient at 3 loops.

Smirnov, Chuharev

• Elliptic integrals make an appearance. Just a minor annoyance.

# The $O(G^4)$ Conservative Contributions

ZB, Parra-Martinez, Roiban, Ruf, Shen, Solon, Zeng

Iteration. No need to compute

$O(G^4)$  amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}_4^{\text{cons}} = G^4 M^7 \nu^2 |\mathbf{q}| \pi^2 \left[ \mathcal{M}_4^{\text{p}} + \nu \left( 4\mathcal{M}_4^{\text{t}} \log\left(\frac{p_\infty}{2}\right) + \mathcal{M}_4^{\pi^2} + \mathcal{M}_4^{\text{rem}} \right) \right] + \overbrace{\int_{\ell} \frac{\tilde{I}_{r,1}^4}{Z_1 Z_2 Z_3} + \int_{\ell} \frac{\tilde{I}_{r,1}^2 \tilde{I}_{r,2}}{Z_1 Z_2} + \int_{\ell} \frac{\tilde{I}_{r,1} \tilde{I}_{r,3}}{Z_1} + \int_{\ell} \frac{\tilde{I}_{r,2}^2}{Z_1}}_{Z_j = -4E|\mathbf{p}|((\ell_1 + \ell_2 + \dots + \ell_j) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{z}} + i0)}$$

$D = 4 - 2\epsilon$        $\nwarrow$  tail effect

**Amplitude action relation: Classical amplitude is exponential of radial action.**

$$i\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{q}) = \int_J \left( e^{iI_r(J)} - 1 \right)$$

$$\tilde{I}_r(\mathbf{q}) = \int_J I_r(J) \equiv 4E|\mathbf{p}| \int \mu^{-2\epsilon} d^{D-2} \mathbf{b} e^{i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{b}} I_r(J)$$

$$\int_J \frac{(iI_r(J))^n}{n!} = i \int_{\ell} \frac{\tilde{I}_r(\ell_1) \dots \tilde{I}_r(\ell_n)}{Z_1 \dots Z_{n-1}}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_4^{\text{t}} = r_1 + r_2 \log\left(\frac{\sigma+1}{2}\right) + r_3 \frac{\text{arccosh}(\sigma)}{\sqrt{\sigma^2-1}},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_4^{\pi^2} = r_4 \pi^2 + r_5 \text{K}\left(\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma+1}\right) \text{E}\left(\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma+1}\right) + r_6 \text{K}^2\left(\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma+1}\right) + r_7 \text{E}^2\left(\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma+1}\right),$$

$$\mathcal{M}_4^{\text{p}} = -\frac{35(1 - 18\sigma^2 + 33\sigma^4)}{8(\sigma^2 - 1)}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_4^{\text{rem}} = r_8 + r_9 \log\left(\frac{\sigma+1}{2}\right) + r_{10} \frac{\text{arccosh}(\sigma)}{\sqrt{\sigma^2-1}} + r_{11} \log(\sigma) + r_{12} \log^2\left(\frac{\sigma+1}{2}\right) + r_{13} \frac{\text{arccosh}(\sigma)}{\sqrt{\sigma^2-1}} \log\left(\frac{\sigma+1}{2}\right) + r_{14} \frac{\text{arccosh}^2(\sigma)}{\sigma^2-1}$$

$$+ r_{15} \text{Li}_2\left(\frac{1-\sigma}{2}\right) + r_{16} \text{Li}_2\left(\frac{1-\sigma}{1+\sigma}\right) + r_{17} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma^2-1}} \left[ \text{Li}_2\left(-\sqrt{\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma+1}}\right) - \text{Li}_2\left(\sqrt{\frac{\sigma-1}{\sigma+1}}\right) \right].$$

$$\nu = m_1 m_2 / (m_1 + m_2)^2$$

$$\sigma = p_1 \cdot p_2 / m_1 m_2,$$

$r_i$  rational coefficients

- Derived using Feynman  $i$  epsilon prescription.
- Real part identical to result using Damour's PV prescription for conservative.

**This is the *complete* conservative contribution.**

# How Do We Know it is Right?

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Shen, Solon, Zeng

**Prior to the completion of our result, Bini, Damour and Geralico presented first three terms in the velocity expansion of the scattering amplitude:**

$$\mathcal{M}_4^{\text{radgrav,f}} = \frac{12044}{75} p_\infty^2 + \frac{212077}{3675} p_\infty^4 + \frac{115917979}{793800} p_\infty^6 - \frac{9823091209}{76839840} p_\infty^8 + \frac{115240251793703}{1038874636800} p_\infty^{10} + \dots$$

**First 3 terms match PN results of Bini, Damour, Geralico!**

**Seems there is always some controversy:**

- Some disagreement in one term with 5PN of Blumlein, Maier, Marquard, Schafer.
- Claim by Diapa, Kalin, Liu, Porto in their calculation that we dropped “memory” pieces. *We disagree.*

# Status

1) Disagreements with Blumlein et al and Porto et al still need to be fully resolved, though consensus is starting to form.

**Damour's "Good Polynomiality": No  $1/(m_1 + m_2)$ . Manifest in the scattering amplitude.**

**Forthcoming paper from Bjerrum-Bohr, Vanhove, Plante, also confirms our result.**

2) We give a Hamiltonian valid for (unbound) hyperbolic motion. Analytic continuation (bound) elliptic motion at  $O(G^4)$  is nontrivial. "Tail Effect". This issue is similar to the one encountered in PN expansion.

3) Great progress on dissipative part. Odd in velocity terms computed.

Manohar, Ridgeway, Shen

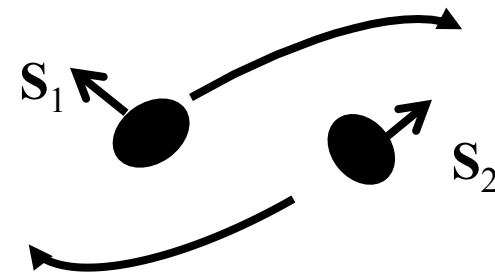
**See Shen's talk.**

# Case of Spin

ZB, A. Luna, R. Roiban, C. H. Shen, M. Zeng

ZB, Kosmopoulos, Luna, Roiban, Teng

ZB, Kosmopoulos, Luna, Roiban, Sheopner, Teng, to appear



**Kerr black holes.**

**Two issues I will summarize here:**

- 1. How to define define EFT for Kerr black hole 2 body interactions?**
- 2. How many physical parameters (Wilson coefficients) are needed to describe gravitational coupling to generic spinning objects (e.g. neutron stars)?**

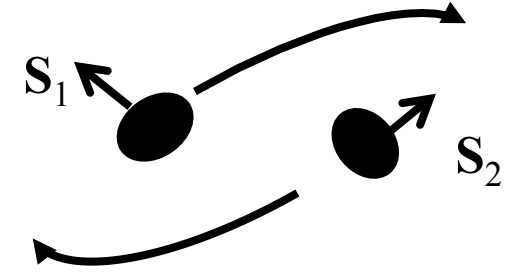
**Results suggest more parameters than previously appreciated.**

# Basic Setup

ZB, Luna Roiban, Shen, Zeng

We start with an EFT of particle with arbitrary spin

$$\mathcal{L}_{\min} = -R - \frac{1}{2} \phi_s (\nabla^2 + m^2) \phi_s + \dots$$



$$\mathcal{L}_C = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} \frac{C_{\text{ES}^{2n}}}{m^{2n}} \nabla_{f_{2n}} \dots \nabla_{f_3} R_{af_1bf_2} \nabla^a \phi_s \mathbb{S}^{(f_1 \mathbb{S}^{f_2} \dots \mathbb{S}^{f_{2n}})} \nabla^b \phi_s$$

$$- \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} \frac{C_{\text{BS}^{2n+1}}}{m^{2n+1}} \nabla_{f_{2n+1}} \dots \nabla_{f_3} *R_{af_1bf_2} \nabla^a \phi_s \mathbb{S}^{(f_1 \mathbb{S}^{f_2} \dots \mathbb{S}^{f_{2n+1}})} \nabla^b \phi_s$$

$$\mathbb{S}^a \equiv \frac{-i}{2m} \epsilon^{abcd} M_{cd} \nabla_b$$

**arbitrary spin field**

**1-1 correspondence to worldline Lagrangian.** Porto, Rothstein; Levi, Steinhoff

In classical limit Lorentz generators correspond to spin tensors :

$$\varepsilon(p_1) \{ M^{a_1 b_1} M^{a_2 b_2} \dots M^{a_j b_j} \} \varepsilon(p_2) = S(p_1)^{a_1 a_1} S(p_1)^{a_2 b_2} \dots S(p_1)^{a_j b_j} \varepsilon(p_1) \cdot \varepsilon(p_2) + \dots$$

$$S^{\alpha\beta}(p) = -\frac{1}{m} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} p_\mu S_\nu(p) \quad S^\alpha(p) = -\frac{1}{2m} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} p_\beta S_{\mu\nu}(p)$$

By construction we satisfy:  $p_\mu S^\mu(p) = 0$  **trivial in the rest frame**

# Extra Operators

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Infinite classes of extra operators, e.g. “ $H$ ” class:

$$\mathcal{L}_H = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n (2n-1)}{(2n)!(2n+1)} \frac{H_{2n}}{m^{2n-2}} \nabla_{f_{2n}} \dots \nabla_{f_3} R_{(a|f_1|b)f_2} \phi_s M^{a(f_1} M^{|b|f_2} \mathbb{S}^{f_3} \dots \mathbb{S}^{f_{2n})} \phi_s$$

$$+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n n}{(2n+1)!(n+1)} \frac{H_{2n+1}}{m^{2n-1}} \nabla_{f_{2n+1}} \dots \nabla_{f_3} *R_{(a|f_1|b)f_2} \phi_s M^{a(f_1} M^{|b|f_2} \mathbb{S}^{f_3} \dots \mathbb{S}^{f_{2n+1})} \phi_s$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{H_2} = \frac{H_2}{8} R_{abcd} \phi_s M^{ab} M^{cd} \phi_s \quad \mathcal{L}_{D_2} = \frac{D_2}{m^2} R_{af_1bf_2} \nabla_i \phi_s M^{if_1} M^{bf_2} \nabla^a \phi_s$$

- $H_2 = 1$  improves high energy behavior of Compton.
- Black hole solution picks  $H_2 = 1$ . Cucchieri, Porrati, Deser; Chiodaroli, Johansson, Pichini
- For 3 point matrix element in classical limit this Lagrangian looks to be redundant.  $p_\mu S^{\mu\nu} = 0$  makes extra operators redundant. SSC.

Besides these there are infinite classes of other operators with higher powers of Riemann,

$R^2$  operators at  $S^4$  and beyond:

$$\mathbb{S}^a \equiv \frac{-i}{2m} \epsilon^{abcd} M_{cd} \nabla_b$$

$$\frac{C_{E^2S^4}}{m^6} R_{af_1bf_2} R_{cf_3df_4} \nabla^{(a} \nabla^{c)} \phi_s \mathbb{S}^{(f_1} \mathbb{S}^{f_2} \mathbb{S}^{f_3} \mathbb{S}^{f_4)} \nabla^{(b} \nabla^{d)} \phi_s ,$$

$$\frac{C_{B^2S^4}}{m^6} *R_{(a|f_1|b)f_2} *R_{(c|f_3|d)f_4} \nabla^{(a} \nabla^{c)} \phi_s \mathbb{S}^{(f_1} \mathbb{S}^{f_2} \mathbb{S}^{f_3} \mathbb{S}^{f_4)} \nabla^{(b} \nabla^{d)} \phi_s , \dots$$



# Consistency Checks

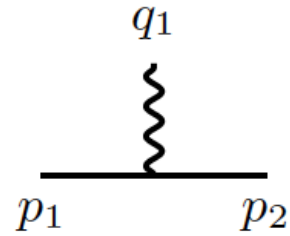
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Our three point interactions match known results:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{p_1^\mu p_1^\nu}{m} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{2n}}{(2n)!} \left( \frac{q \cdot S}{m} \right)^n - \frac{i q_\rho p_1^{(\mu} S^{\nu)\rho}}{m} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \left( \frac{q \cdot S}{m} \right)^{2n}$$

Kerr black hole is  $C_n = 1$

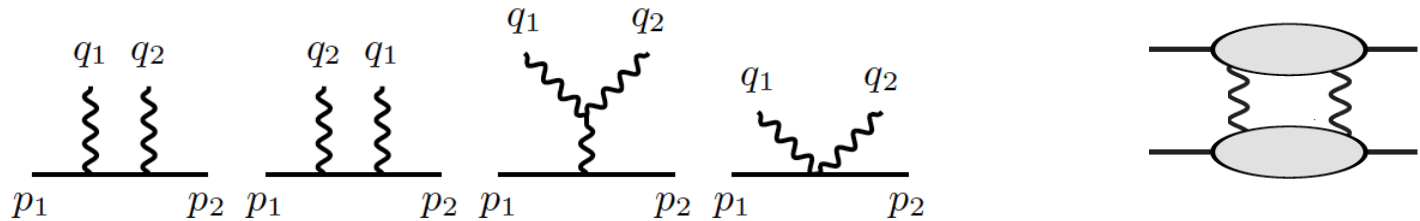
Vines



At this level the operators in  $\mathcal{L}_C$  and  $\mathcal{L}_H$  are redundant.

$$C_{2n} = C_{\text{ES}^{2n}} + H_{2n} \quad C_{2n+1} = C_{\text{BS}^{2n+1}} + H_{2n+1}$$

Compton



**Strong check:** with appropriate choices of Wilson coefficients, our Compton through  $S^3$  matches the one recently obtained from world line.

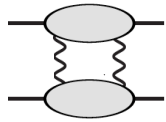
Saketh and Vines (a few days ago)

# Kerr Black Holes At $O(G^2)$

Guevara, Ochirov, Vines; Chen, Huang, Kim, Lee; ZB, Luna, Roiban, Shen, Zeng, Bautista, Guevara, Kavanagh; Aoude, Haddad, Helset

$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{classical}}^{G^2} = \frac{2\pi^2 G^2 \varepsilon_1 \cdot \varepsilon_4 \varepsilon_2 \cdot \varepsilon_3}{\sqrt{-q^2}} \sum_n \sum_i \alpha^{(n,i)} \mathcal{O}^{(n,i)}$$

spin structures



coefficients

Through  $G^2$  and  $S^4$  only blue structures contribute to black hole interactions:

| $S_1^n S_2^0$         | $i$ |                                   | $i$ |   | $i$ |
|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------------------|-----|---|-----|
| $\mathcal{O}^{(2,i)}$ | 1   | $\mathcal{E}_1^2$                 | 2   | $q^2 (u_2 \cdot a_1)^2$                 | 3   |
| $\mathcal{O}^{(4,i)}$ | 1   | $\mathcal{E}_1^4$                 | 2   | $q^2 (u_2 \cdot a_1)^2 \mathcal{E}_1^2$ | 3   |
|                       | 4   | $(q \cdot a_1)^2 \mathcal{E}_1^2$ | 5   | $q^2 (q \cdot a_1)^2 (u_2 \cdot a_1)^2$ | 6   |

$$\mathcal{O}^{(3,i)} = \mathcal{E}_1 \mathcal{O}^{(2,i)}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_i = -i \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} u_{1\mu} u_{2\nu} q_\rho a_{i\lambda}$$

$$a_i^\mu = S_i^\mu / m_i$$

$$q = p_2 + p_3$$

$$u_i^\mu = p_i^\mu / m_i$$

**QFT Kerr black hole conjecture:**

ZB, Kosmopoulos, Luna, Roiban, Teng

- Structures must satisfy **shift symmetry**:  $a_i^\mu \rightarrow a_i^\mu + \xi_i \frac{q^\mu}{q^2}$
- At high-energy amplitudes should not grow faster than tree level.

**Classical limit:**  $p_i \cdot q = \pm q^2 / 2 \rightarrow 0$

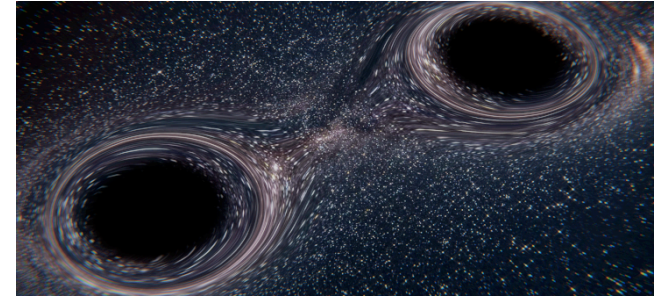
Similar simultaneous conjecture from Aoude, Haddad, Helset.

**We use this conjecture to define Kerr black hole 2 body interactions.**

# Black Holes through $S^5$ and Beyond

$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{classical}}^{G^2} = \frac{2\pi^2 G^2 \varepsilon_1 \cdot \varepsilon_4 \varepsilon_2 \cdot \varepsilon_3}{\sqrt{-q^2}} \sum_n \sum_i \alpha^{(n,i)} \mathcal{O}^{(n,i)}$$

**Determined by shift symmetry and demanding good high-energy behavior.**



$$\sigma = \frac{p_1 \cdot p_2}{m_1 m_2}$$

$$\alpha^{(5,i)} = \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2 \sigma}{768(-1 + \sigma^2)^3} \left( \gamma^{(5,i)} m_1 + \frac{1}{75} \delta^{(5,i)} m_2 \right)$$

$$\gamma_{\text{Kerr}}^{(5,1)} = 16(7 - 13\sigma^2), \quad \frac{1}{75} \delta_{\text{Kerr}}^{(5,1)} = 24(1 - 4\sigma^2),$$

$$\gamma_{\text{Kerr}}^{(5,2)} = 32(11\sigma^2 - 5), \quad \frac{1}{75} \delta_{\text{Kerr}}^{(5,2)} = 48(2 + \sigma^2),$$

$$\gamma_{\text{Kerr}}^{(5,3)} = 16(3\sigma^2 - 1), \quad \frac{1}{75} \delta_{\text{Kerr}}^{(5,3)} = 8(12 - 16\sigma^2 + 7\sigma^4)$$

**Determines  $G^2 S^5$  conservative interactions between two Kerr black holes**

**Matches results from Aoude, Haddad, Helset, who used similar ideas to also go to even higher powers of spin.**

# Extra Wilson Coefficients in Field Theory

Worked out dependence on  $H$  and  $C$  series of operators through  $S^5$

|   |   |
|---|---|
| $Z_{2,1} = C_2 + 1$   | $Z_{2,2} = C_2 - 1$   |
| $Z_{3,1} = 3C_2 + C_3$                                      | $Z_{3,2} = C_2 - C_3$   |
| $Z_{4,1} = 3C_2^2 + 4C_3 + C_4$<br>$Z_{4,2} = 3C_2^2 + C_4$ | $Z_{4,3} = C_2^2 - C_4$<br>$Z_{4,4} = 3C_2^2 - 4C_3 + C_4$          |
| $Z_{5,1} = 10C_2C_3 + 5C_4 + C_5$                           | $Z_{5,2} = 2C_2C_3 - C_4 - C_5$<br>$Z_{5,3} = 2C_2C_3 - 3C_4 + C_5$ |

|     |   |     |  |
|-----|---|-----|--|
| $i$ | $\gamma^{(2,i)}$                                | $i$ | $\gamma^{(2,i)}$                           |
| 1   | $7 + 23C_2 - Z_{2,1}\sigma^2(102 - 95\sigma^2)$ | 3   | $12Z_{2,2}(\sigma^2 - 1)^2(5\sigma^2 - 1)$ |
| 2   | $5 - 11C_2 + 5Z_{2,1}\sigma^2(6 - 7\sigma^2)$   |     |  |
| $i$ | $\gamma^{(3,i)}$                                | $i$ | $\gamma^{(3,i)}$                           |
| 1   | $Z_{3,1}(5 - 9\sigma^2)$                        | 3   | $4Z_{3,2}(\sigma^2 - 1)(5\sigma^2 - 3)$    |
| 2   | $Z_{3,1}(7\sigma^2 - 3)$                        |     |  |
| $i$ | $\gamma^{(4,i)}$                                | $i$ | $\gamma^{(4,i)}$                           |

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| 1 | $44C_3 + 59Z_{4,1}$ |
| 2 | $72C_3 - 78Z_{4,1}$ |
| 3 | $28C_3 - 9Z_{4,1}$  |

|     |                           |     |   |
|-----|---------------------------|-----|---|
| $i$ | $Z_{5,1}$                 | $i$ | $Z_{5,2}$                                 |
| 1   | $Z_{5,1}(11\sigma^2 - 5)$ | 5   | $12Z_{5,2}(\sigma^2 - 1)(3 - 7\sigma^2)$  |
| 2   | $Z_{5,1}(3\sigma^2 - 1)$  | 6   | $8Z_{5,3}(\sigma^2 - 1)^2(3 - 5\sigma^2)$ |

|     |  |   |                    |                    |
|-----|--|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| $i$ | $\delta_0^{(2,i)}$                         | $\delta_1^{(2,i)}$  | $\delta_2^{(2,i)}$ | $\delta_3^{(2,i)}$ |
| 1   | $8Z_{2,1}$                                 | $-(68 + 52C_2)$   | $60Z_{2,1}$        | 0                  |
| 2   | $4(3 - C_2)$                               | $-12Z_{2,1}$  | 0                  | 0                  |
| 3   | $-4Z_{2,2}$                                | $68Z_{2,2}$   | $-124Z_{2,2}$      | $60Z_{2,2}$        |
| $i$ | $\delta_0^{(3,i)}$                         | $\delta_1^{(3,i)}$  | $\delta_2^{(3,i)}$ | $\delta_3^{(3,i)}$ |
| 1   | $3(H_2 - 2)H_2 - (C_2 - 8)C_2$             | $C_2(2C_2 - 13) - 2C_3 - 3(H_2 - 2)H_2$                   |                    |                    |
| 2   | $C_2(4C_2 - 5) + 2C_3 - 5(H_2 - 2)H_2$     | $5(C_2 - H_2)(2 - C_2 - H_2)$                             |                    |                    |
| 3   | $(5 - 2C_2)C_2 - 2C_3 + (H_2 - 2)H_2$      | $2[C_2(3C_2 - 8) + 4C_3 - (H_2 - 2)H_2]$                  |                    |                    |
|     | $\delta_2^{(3,1)} = \delta_2^{(3,2)} = 0,$ | $\delta_2^{(3,3)} = (11 - 4C_2)C_2 - 6C_3 + (H_2 - 2)H_2$ |                    |                    |

|                    |   |   |   |   |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|
| $\delta_0^{(4,i)}$ | 1 | $8[45C_2^2 + 5C_3 - 5C_2(C_3 + 9H_2) + 5(H_2 - 1)H_3 - H_4]$                  | 4 | $10[4C_4 - 5C_3 + C_2(36C_2 - 11C_3 - 24H_2) - 5H_3(H_2 - 1)] - 4H_4$         |
|                    | 2 | $-10[36C_2^2 - 7C_3 - 25C_2C_3 - 4C_4 - 48C_2H_2 + 9(H_2 - 1)H_3] - 4H_4$     | 5 | $10[C_2(9C_2 + 10C_3 - 15H_2) + 4H_2H_3 - 2(C_3 + C_4 + 2H_3)] + 8H_4$        |
|                    | 3 | $4H_4 - 10C_4 + 15C_2(9C_2 - 11H_2)$  | 6 | $135C_2^2 - 5C_2(8C_3 + 9H_2) - 10[4C_3 + C_4 + 4(H_2 - 1)H_3] + 4H_4$        |
| $\delta_1^{(4,i)}$ | 1 | $-10[120C_2^2 + 51C_3 + 4C_4 - C_2(19C_3 + 108H_2) + 19(H_2 - 1)H_3 - 2H_4]$  | 4 | $2[65C_3 - 825C_2^2 + 50C_4 + 5C_2(43C_3 + 99H_2) + 35(H_2 - 1)H_3 + 4H_4]$   |
|                    | 2 | $2[615C_2^2 + 85C_3 - 50C_4 - 5C_2(49C_3 + 153H_2) + 45(H_2 - 1)H_3 + 8H_4]$  | 5 | $10[15C_2^2 - 5C_3 - 11C_2C_3 + 16C_4 - 15C_2H_2 - 23(H_2 - 1)H_3] - 28H_4$   |
|                    | 3 | $50[C_3 + (H_2 - 1)H_3] - 165C_2^2 - 5C_2(10C_3 - 33H_2) - 4H_4$              | 6 | $345C_2H_2 - 825C_2^2 + 80[6C_3 + (H_2 - 1)H_3] - 24H_4$                      |
| $\delta_2^{(4,i)}$ | 1 | $5[243C_2^2 + 78C_3 - 14C_2C_3 + 14C_4 - 201C_2H_2 + 30(H_2 - 1)H_3] - 12H_4$ | 4 | $10[273C_2^2 - 33C_3 - 31C_2C_3 - 44C_4 - 165C_2H_2 + (H_2 - 1)H_3] - 4H_4$   |
|                    | 5 | $-2[525C_2^2 - 55C_3 + C_2(55C_3 - 525H_2) - 175(H_2 - 1)H_3 + 6H_4]$         | 5 | $-10[69C_2^2 - 51C_3 + 43C_2C_3 + 14C_4 - 75C_2H_2 - 69(H_2 - 1)H_3] + 32H_4$ |
|                    | 3 | $50[(C_2 - 1)C_3 + H_3 - H_2H_3]$   | 6 | $2[-640C_3 + 30C_4 + 5C_2(195C_3 + 32C_3 - 105H_2) + 24H_4]$                  |
| $\delta_3^{(4,i)}$ | 1 | $5[16C_3 - C_2(57C_2 + 16C_3 - 57H_2)]$                                       | 4 | $-10[183C_2^2 - 47C_3 + 23C_2C_3 - 30C_4 - 129C_2H_2 + 3(H_2 - 1)H_3]$        |
|                    | 2 | $350[(C_2 - 1)C_3 + H_3 - H_2H_3]$  | 5 | $10[45C_2^2 - 79C_3 + 79C_2C_3 - 45C_2H_2 - 85(H_2 - 1)H_3] - 12H_4$          |
|                    | 3 | 0   | 6 | $-10[C_2(225C_2 + 56C_3 - 153H_2) + 8H_2H_3 + 4(-34C_3 + 2C_4 - 2H_3 + H_4)]$ |
| $\delta_4^{(4,i)}$ | 1 | 0   | 4 | $10[-22C_3 + C_2(39C_2 + 22C_3 - 39H_2)]$                                     |
|                    | 2 | 0   | 5 | $-350[(C_2 - 1)C_3 - H_3(H_2 - 1)]$   |
|                    | 3 | 0   | 6 | $5[3(-40C_3 + 2C_4 + C_2(85C_2 + 24C_3 - 71H_2)) + 8(H_2 - 1)H_3] + 12H_4$    |
| $\delta_5^{(4,i)}$ | 1 | 0   | 4 | 0   |
|                    | 2 | 0   | 5 | 0   |
|                    | 3 | 0   | 6 | $-7E_7 - 2E_2 + E_4 + 8E_3 + 2E_1$  |

Starting at  $S^3$  we have *extra* independent Wilson coefficients compared to worldline approach.

|                    |   |  |  |  |
|--------------------|---|--|--|--|
|                    |   |  |  | $-7E_7 - 2E_2 + E_4 + 8E_3 + 2E_1$   |
|                    |   |  |  | $5 - 14E_7 - 2E_2 - 31E_4 - 13E_3 - E_1$   |
|                    |   |  |  | $3E_2 - 33E_4 - 29E_3 - 3E_1$  |
|                    |   |  |  | $16E_6 - 34E_7 - 11E_2 + 19E_4 + 47E_3 + 3E_1$   |
|                    |   |  |  | $16 - 20E_7 - E_2 - 61E_4 - 43E_3 - E_1$   |
|                    |   |  |  | $16 - 20E_7 - E_2 - 61E_4 - 43E_3 + E_1$   |
|                    |   |  |  | $20[30H_4 - 285C_4 - 48C_5 + 5(18C_3H_2 - 8C_5 + 24C_4H_2 + 9C_2(5C_3 - 2H_3) + 8H_3^2 - 6H_2H_4)] + 596H_5 + 2[2E_5 + 3E_6 - 10E_7 - 2E_2 - 7(2E_4 + E_3) + E_1]$ |
| $\delta_1^{(5,i)}$ | 1 | $-75[228C_2C_3 + 39C_4 + 6C_5 - 76C_3H_2 - 4C_4H_2 - 72C_2H_3 + 8H_3^2 + 14(H_2 - 1)H_4] + 69H_5 - 42E_5 - 24E_6 + 42E_7 + 11E_2 + 5E_4 - 11(3E_3 + E_1)$                      |  |  |
|                    | 2 | $50[33C_4 + 6C_5 + 48C_3H_2 + 72C_4H_2 - 36C_2(C_3 - 3H_3) - 44H_3^2 - 36(H_2 - 1)H_4] - 212H_5 - 8(7E_5 + 2E_6 - 7E_7 - E_2 - 10E_4 - 3E_3 + E_1)$                            |  |  |
|                    | 3 | $-75[9C_4 - 84C_2C_3 + 2C_5 + 44C_3H_2 - 4C_4H_2 + 40C_2H_3 + 8H_3^2 + 10(H_2 - 1)H_4] - 281H_5 - 14E_5 + 8E_6 + 14E_7 - 3E_2 + 75E_4 + 57E_3 + 3E_1$                          |  |  |
|                    | 4 | $60[250C_4 + 52C_5 - 35H_4] + 50[56C_3^2 - 3H_2(6C_3 + 29C_4 - 14H_4) - 48H_2^2 + 6C_2(35H_3 - 93C_3)] - 1054H_5 - 92E_5 - 66E_6 + 124E_7 + 39E_2 - 69E_4 - 203E_3 - 17E_1$    |  |  |
|                    | 5 | $5[3060C_3H_2 - 880C_3^2 + 60C_2(9C_3 - 34H_3) + 3(328C_3 - 5C_4(169 - 200H_2) + 80H_3^2 - 730(H_2 - 1)H_4)] - 1579H_5 - 50E_5 + 82E_7 + 9(E_2 + 19E_4 - 2E_6) + 67E_3 - 5E_1$ |  |  |
|                    | 6 | $20[80C_3^2 + 1095C_4 + 84C_5 - 120C_3H_2 - 510C_4H_2 - 160H_3^2 + 60C_2(9H_3 - 19C_3) + 90(H_2 - 1)H_4] - 1788H_5 - 8(5E_5 + 5E_6 - 11E_7 - 2E_2 - 17E_4 - 5E_3 + 2E_1)$      |  |  |
| $\delta_2^{(5,i)}$ | 1 | $50[22C_2^2 + 21C_4(H_2 - 1) - 42C_3H_2 + 42C_4(2C_3 - H_3)] + 28E_5 + 16E_6 - 28E_7 - 7E_2 - 7E_4 + 17E_3 + 7E_1$   |  |  |
|                    | 2 | $25[153C_4 + 4(147C_2C_3 - 32C_3^2 - 69C_3H_2 - 57C_4H_2 - 78C_2H_3 + 26H_3^2) + 138H_2H_4 - 6(C_3 + 23H_4) + 7H_5] + 42E_5 + 16E_6 - 42E_7 - 7E_2 - 49E_4 - 11E_3 + 7E_1$     |  |  |
|                    | 3 | $-175[4C_3^2 + 6C_4(H_2 - 1) - 4H_3^2 + 6H_4 - 6H_2H_4 - H_5] + 14(E_5 - E_7 - 3E_4 - 2E_3)$   |  |  |
|                    | 4 | $15(70H_4 - 815C_4 - 224C_5) + 50[56C_3^2 - 3H_2(30C_3 - 40C_4 + 7H_4) + 6C_2(87C_3 - 38H_3) + 32H_3^2] + 527H_5 + 5(26E_3 + 18E_6 + 53E_3 + 5E_1) - 146E_7 - 9(5E_2 - 9E_4)$  |  |  |
|                    | 5 | $10[15C_4(91 - 89H_2) - 440C_3^2 - 156C_5 - 2070C_3H_2 + 90C_2(19C_3 - 3H_3) + 200(H_3^2 + 6(H_2 - 1)H_4)] + 1052H_5 + 88E_5 + 42E_6 - 104E_7 - 15E_2 - 159E_4 - 5E_3 + 13E_1$ |  |  |
|                    | 6 | $4[75C_4(46H_2 - 91) - 120C_5 + 150C_2(65C_3 - 32H_3) + 50(20H_3^2 + 9H_4 - 9H_2(2C_3 + H_4)) + 447H_5] + 12(8E_3 + 7E_6 - 12E_7 - 2E_2 - 20E_4 - 3E_3 + 3E_1)$                |  |  |
| $\delta_3^{(5,i)}$ | 4 | $-50[56C_3^2 + 51C_4(H_2 - 1) - 66C_3H_2 + 6C_2(19C_3 - 11H_3)] - 56E_5 - 38E_6 + 56E_7 + 17E_2 - 31E_4 - 109E_3 - 11E_1$  |  |  |
|                    | 5 | $25(176C_3^2 - 588C_2C_3 - 171C_4 + 24C_5 + 348C_3H_2 + 156C_4H_2 + 240C_2H_3 - 80H_3^2 - 174(H_2 - 1)H_4 - 7H_5) - 42E_5 - 22E_6 + 42E_7 + 7E_2 + 49E_4 - 19E_3 - 7E_1$       |  |  |
|                    | 6 | $20[585C_4 - 12C_5 - 30H_4 - 10(138C_2C_3 + 8C_3^2 - 36C_3H_2 + 33C_4H_2 - 66C_2H_3 + 8H_3^2 - 3H_2H_4)] - 596H_5 - 8(11E_5 + 9E_6 - 13E_7 - 2E_2 - 23E_4 - E_3 + 4E_1)$       |  |  |
| $\delta_4^{(5,i)}$ | 6 | $100[8C_3^2 + 6C_4(H_2 - 1) - 30C_3H_2 + 3C_2(23C_3 - 10H_3)] + 2(14E_5 + 11E_6 - 14E_7 - 2E_2 - 26E_4 + E_3 + 5E_1)$  |  |  |

# Extra Wilson Coefficients

How many Wilson coefficients are needed to describe a generic spinning object in GR? **We have extra physically distinct ones.**

After imposing SSC single Wilson coefficient at  $O(S^2)$       SSC:  $p_\mu S^{\mu\nu} = 0$

**Worldline 1 independent operator**

$$- \int d\sigma \frac{C_2}{2m} \frac{E_{\mu\nu}}{\sqrt{u^2}} S^\mu S^\nu$$

$$E_{\mu\nu} \equiv R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} u^\alpha u^\beta$$

$$S^\alpha(p) = -\frac{1}{2m} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} p_\beta S_{\gamma\delta}(p)$$

**Field theory 3 independent operators:**

$$-\frac{C_{ES^2}}{2m^2} R_{afbg} \nabla^a \phi_s \mathbb{S}^{(f} S^{g)} \nabla^b \phi_s$$

$$\frac{H_2}{8} R_{abcd} \phi_s M^{ab} M^{cd} \phi_s$$

$$\frac{D_2}{m^2} R_{afbg} \nabla_i \phi_s M^{if} M^{bg} \nabla^a \phi_s,$$

$$\mathbb{S}^a \equiv \frac{-i}{2m} \epsilon^{abcd} M_{cd} \nabla_b$$

- **Physically distinct in impulse or scattering angle starting from  $O(G^2)$   $S^3$**
- **Kerr Black holes have definite values of Wilson coefficients.**

# Tracking Source of Extra Wilson Coefficients

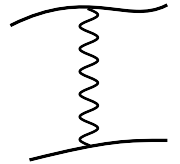
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## To track source of the extra Wilson coefficients:

- Switch to E&M where mismatch with field theory start at lowest order in  $S^1$ , not  $S^3$ . **Much easier!**
- Redo the worldline but impose SSC only on initial condition.
- Solve equations with and without Lagrange multiplier term.

Lagrange multiplier imposing SSC

$$S[\alpha, \beta, z, p, \Lambda, S] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( p_{\mu} \dot{z}^{\mu} + q A_{\mu} \dot{z}^{\mu} + \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu\nu} + \frac{\alpha}{2} (p^2 - \mathcal{M}^2) + \beta_{\mu} S^{\mu\nu} p_{\nu} \right) d\lambda$$



Formalism from Steinhoff; Vines, Kunst, Steinhoff, Hinderer

## At lowest order in spin:

$$\mathcal{M} = m + \frac{qW_1}{m} S^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu} + \frac{qW_2}{m} \hat{p}_{\mu} S^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{F}_{\nu\rho} \hat{p}^{\rho} + \mathcal{O}(S^2)$$

Extra

Thanks to Justin Vines

- With Lagrange multiplier active,  $W_2$  term effectively drops out.
- Dropping Lagrange multiplier term leaves one extra Wilson coefficient, matching  $S^1$  result of field theory approach to E&M.
- With specific choice of  $W_2$  can match result of enforcing SSC throughout.

Fewer Wilson coefficients come from imposing SSC throughout.

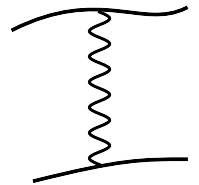
# Tracking Source of Extra Wilson Coefficients

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1. Identified source of the discrepancy in physical parameters between field theory and worldline approach as due imposing SSC throughout.
2. Principles of EFTs suggest our QFT count is the proper one.
3. Reason this was not noticed earlier: Prior to  $O(G^2)$  and  $O(S^3)$ , in physical quantities extra operators redundant. Beyond this distinct physical effects.
4. Issue of basic importance: How many physical parameters describe spinning neutron stars (or any other generic object)?

## Still to be done:

1. Higher order in spin in E&M.
2. Work this out in gravity, not E&M.



Looking forward to fully resolving this together with GR friends.

# Summary

- Scattering amplitudes give us new ways to think about problems of current interest in general relativity.
- Pushed state of the art:  $G^4$  conservative part complete.
- Conjecture for defining Kerr black hole  $G^2$  2 body Hamiltonian.
  - Shift symmetry
  - Good high-energy behavior
- We found extra physical parameters for describing interaction of generic spinning objects with gravitational field.
  - Identified source of extra parameters on the word line.
  - Complete resolution and consensus still needed.

**Amplitudes approaches are pushing the state of the art in post-Minkowskian framework and providing new insights into physical questions.**





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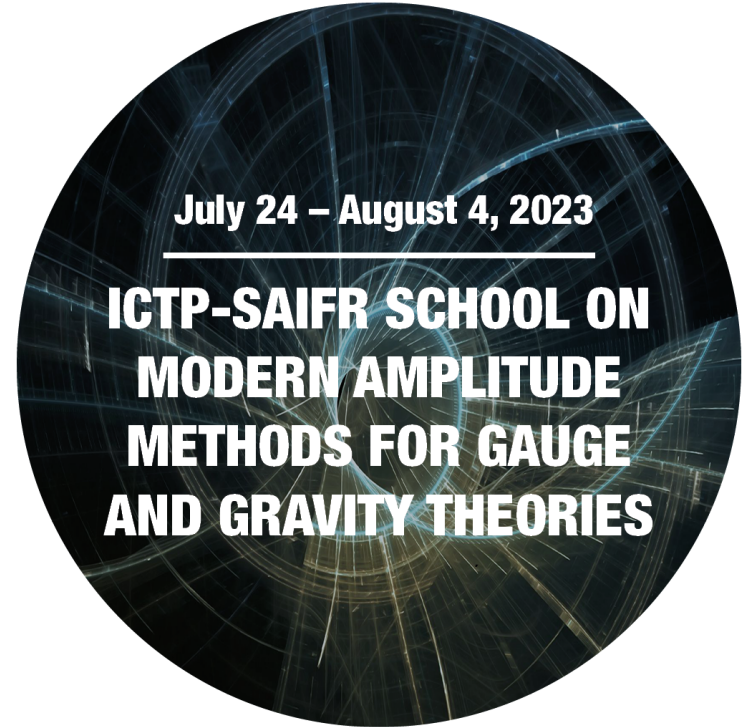
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Note: Will overlap Amplitudes School at CERN next year but no problem.



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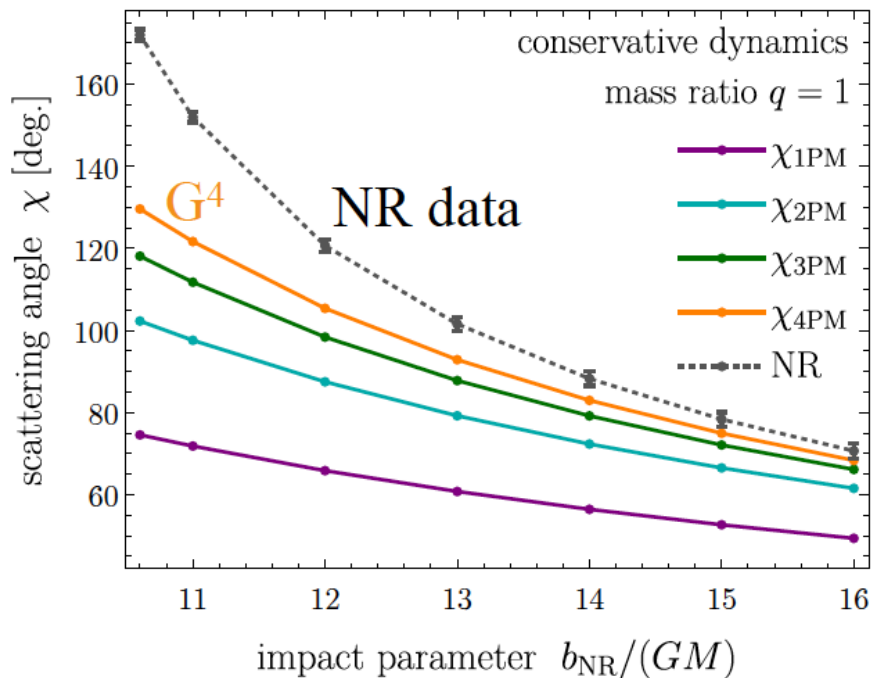
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# Comparison with Numerical Relativity

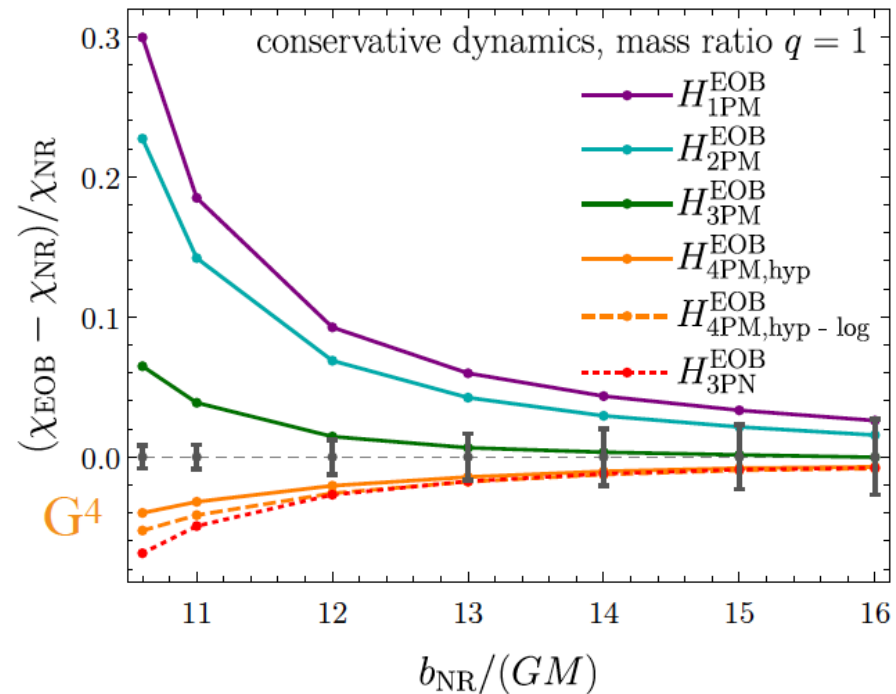
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As an interesting check compare to numerical relativity:

Original angle in PM perturbation



EOB-improved angle



Numerical data from Damour, Guercilena, Hinder, Hopper, Nagar, Rezzolla

Surprisingly good agreement with numerical relativity.

# Double Copy as a Tool for Gravity

Kawai, Lewellen, Tye  
ZB, Carrasco, Johansson

gauge theory:

$$A_m^{\text{tree}} = g^{m-2} \sum_j \frac{c_j n_j}{D_j}$$

color factor  $\rightarrow$   $c_j$   
kinematic numerator  $\rightarrow$   $n_j$   
Feynman propagators  $\rightarrow$   $D_j$

$$c_i = c_j - c_k \Rightarrow n_i = n_j - n_k$$

color/kinematics duality

Color Jacobi

Kinematic Jacobi

gauge theory  $\rightarrow$  gravity theory

simply take

color factor  $\rightarrow$  kinematic numerator

gravity:

$$\mathcal{M}_m^{\text{tree}} = i \left( \frac{\kappa}{2} \right)^{m-2} \sum_j \frac{n_j n_j}{D_i}$$

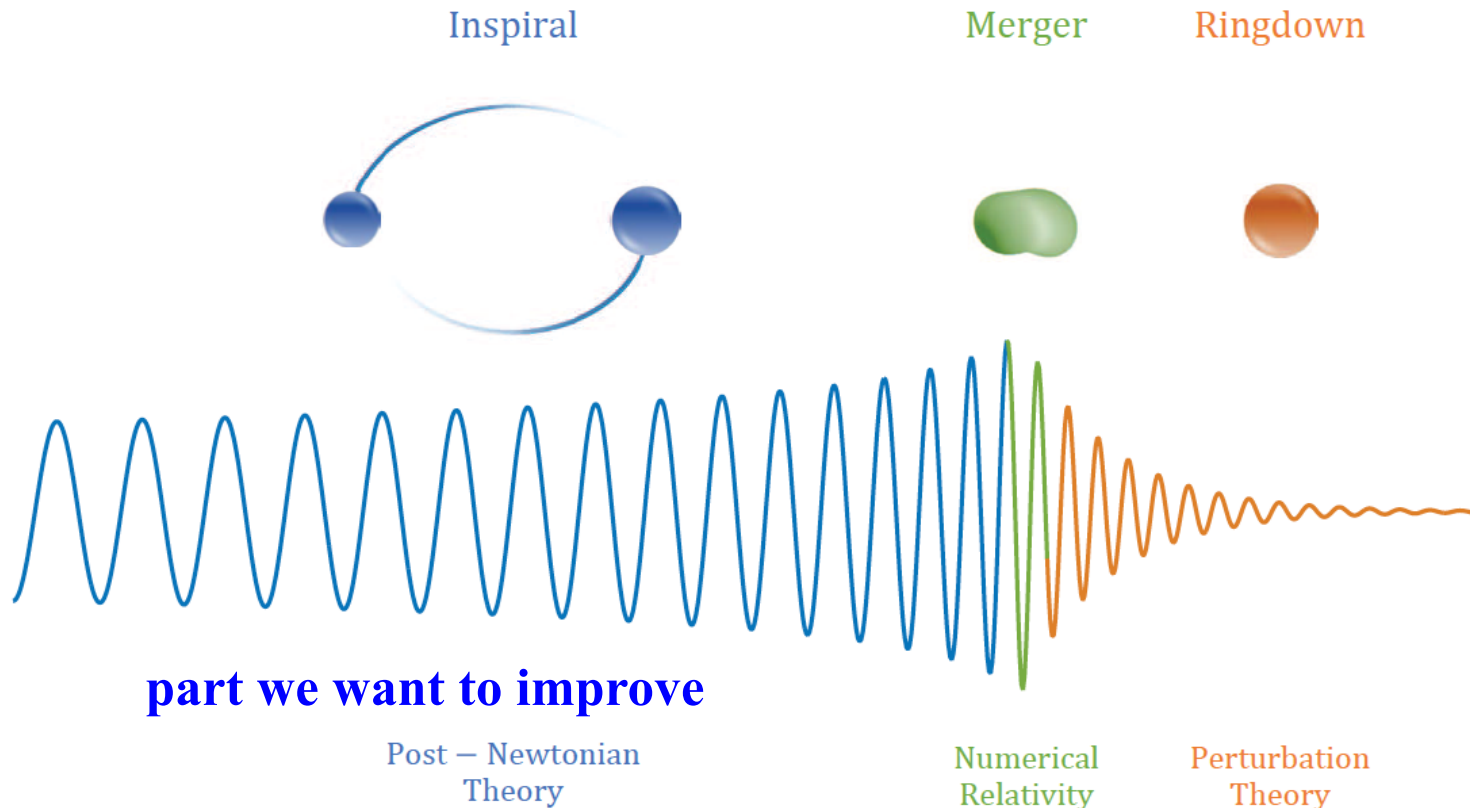
$c_j \rightarrow n_j$

Gravity  $\sim$  (gauge theory)  $\times$  (gauge theory)

Applications: supergravity, web of theories, gravitational waves

# Two Body Problem

From Antelis and Moreno, arXiv:1610.03567



- **Small errors accumulate. Need for high precision.**
- **Input to EOB or other modeling to reliably approach merger.**
- **Two primary inputs: binding energy and frequency shift.**

Buonanno and Damour

# High-energy gravitational scattering and the general relativistic two-body problem

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A technique for translating the classical scattering function of two gravitationally interacting bodies into a corresponding (effective one-body) Hamiltonian description has been recently introduced

**“... and we urge amplitude experts to use their novel techniques to compute the 2-loop scattering amplitude of scalar masses, from which one could deduce the third post-Minkowskian effective one-body Hamiltonian.”**

tum gravitationally scattering amplitude of two particles, and we urge amplitude experts to use their novel techniques to compute the 2-loop scattering amplitude of scalar masses, from which one could deduce the third post-Minkowskian effective one-body Hamiltonian

**Hard to resist an invitation with this kind of clarity!**

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The recent observation [1–4] of gravitational wave signals from inspiralling and coalescing binary black holes has been significantly helped, from the theoretical side, by the availability of a large bank of waveform templates, defined [5, 6] within the analytical effective one-body (EOB) formalism [7–11]. The EOB formalism combines, in a suitably resummed format, perturbative, analytical results on the motion and radiation of compact binaries, with some non-perturbative information extracted from numerical simulations of coalescing black-hole binaries (see [12] for a review of perturbative results on binary systems, and [13] for a review of the numerical relativity of binary black holes). Until recently, the perturbative results used to define the EOB conservative dynamics were mostly based on the post-Newtonian (PN) approach to the general relativistic two-body interaction. The conservative two-body dynamics was derived, successively, at the second post-Newtonian (2PN) [14, 15], third post-

ntly introduced to derive from the (gauge-invariant) *scattering function*  $\Phi$  linking (half) the center of mass (c.m.) classical gravitational scattering angle  $\chi$  to the total energy,  $E_{\text{real}} \equiv \sqrt{s}$ , and the total angular momentum,  $J$ , of the system<sup>1</sup>

$$\frac{1}{2}\chi = \Phi(E_{\text{real}}, J; m_1, m_2, G). \quad (1.1)$$

The (dimensionless) scattering function can be expressed as a function of dimensionless ratios, say

$$\frac{1}{2}\chi = \Phi(h, j; \nu), \quad (1.2)$$

where we denoted

$$h \equiv \frac{E_{\text{real}}}{M}; \quad j \equiv \frac{J}{Gm_1m_2} = \frac{J}{G\mu M}, \quad (1.3)$$

with

$$M \equiv m_1 + m_2; \quad \mu \equiv \frac{m_1m_2}{M}; \quad \nu \equiv \frac{\mu}{M} = \frac{m_1m_2}{(m_1+m_2)^2}.$$



# EFT Approach

No need to re-invent the wheel.

Build EFT from which we can read off potential.

Goldberger and Rothstein

Neill, Rothstein

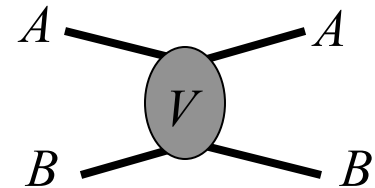
Cheung, Rothstein, Solon (2018)

$$L_{\text{kin}} = \int_{\mathbf{k}} A^\dagger(-\mathbf{k}) \left( i\partial_t + \sqrt{\mathbf{k}^2 + m_A^2} \right) A(\mathbf{k}) \\ + \int_{\mathbf{k}} B^\dagger(-\mathbf{k}) \left( i\partial_t + \sqrt{\mathbf{k}^2 + m_B^2} \right) B(\mathbf{k})$$

$$L_{\text{int}} = - \int_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} V(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') A^\dagger(\mathbf{k}') A(\mathbf{k}) B^\dagger(-\mathbf{k}') B(-\mathbf{k})$$

two body potential

$A, B$  scalars  
represents spinless  
black holes



Match amplitudes of this theory to the full theory in classical limit to extract a potential which can then be directly used for bound state.

The EFT is used to define the potential and 2 body Hamiltonian.  
This gives us binding energy.

# Effective Field Theory Approach

ZB, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng

Cheung, Rothstein, Solon (2018)

**Amplitudes  
community**

**Gravitational  
Scattering  
Amplitudes**

**Effective  
Field Theory  
Methods**

**EFT  
community**

Kawai, Lewellen, Tye

ZB, Dixon, Dunbar and Kosower

ZB, Dixon, Dunbar, Perelstein, Rozowsky

ZB, Carrasco, Johansson; Etc

Beneke, Smirnov (Method of regions)

Goldberger, Rothstein;

Porto; Neill, Rothstein;

Vaydia, Foffa, Porto, Rothstein, Sturani;

Kol, Smolkin, Levi, Steinhoff, etc.

**Post  
Minkowskian  
Potentials**

**In a form useful for  
bound-state problem**

**The EFT directly gives us a two-body Hamiltonian of a form appropriate to enter LIGO analysis pipeline (after importing into EOB or pheno models).**

**We prefer this method when pushing into new territory.**

# EFT Matching

**full general relativity**  
(complicated)

Amplitude methods  
double copy



**tree amplitude**

$\hbar \rightarrow 0$

generalized  
unitarity



**loop integrand**

Loop integration  
Method of regions



**GR loop amplitude**

**effective theory**  
(simpler)

build  
ansatz



**potential**

Feynman  
diagrams



**loop integrand**

loop  
integration



**EFT loop amplitude**

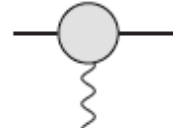
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**Roundabout but efficiently determines potential.**

# Nontrivial Double Copy and Spin

ZB, Luna Roiban, Shen, Zeng



Consider generic  $O(G)$  energy momentum tensor for spin:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{p_1^\mu p_1^\nu}{m} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_{ES^{2n}}}{(2n)!} \left( \frac{q \cdot S(p_1)}{m} \right)^{2n} - \frac{i}{m} q_\rho p_1^{(\mu} S(p_1)^{\nu)\rho} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{BS^{2n+1}}}{(2n+1)!} \left( \frac{q \cdot S(p_1)}{m} \right)^{2n}$$

**Closely related to worldline Lagrangian.**

Porto, Rothstein; Levi, Steinhoff

For  $C_{ES^{2n}} = 1$ ,  $C_{BS^{2n}} = 1$  matches Vines' Kerr black hole tensor

**Does this have a double-copy construction? Yes!**

**On-shell, can factorize the energy momentum tensor:**

$$\begin{aligned} T^{\mu\nu} &= -i\varepsilon(s, p_2) V_{3, \text{GR}}^{\mu\nu} \varepsilon(s, p_1) \quad \swarrow \text{Gravity} \\ &= [-i\varepsilon(s_L, p_2) V_3^\mu \varepsilon(s_L, p_1)] [-i\varepsilon(s_R, p_2) V_3^\nu \varepsilon(s_R, p_1)] \quad \swarrow \text{gauge theory} \\ &\quad \varepsilon(s, p) = \varepsilon(s_L, p) \otimes \varepsilon(s_R, p) \end{aligned}$$

**At  $O(G)$  energy momentum tensor factorizes to all orders in spin! Only works on shell.**