

# Black hole multipoles in higher-derivative gravity

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Theory-dependent test: higher-derivative corrections. Still no hair, but multipoles are different

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Observe: the size of the corrections is determined by

$$\hat{\lambda}_i = \frac{\ell^4}{M^4} \lambda_i, \quad \hat{\epsilon}_i = \frac{\ell^6}{M^6} \epsilon_i$$

Rotating BH solutions can be obtained as a series in the spin  $\chi = a/M$  [Cano, Ruipérez '19](#)



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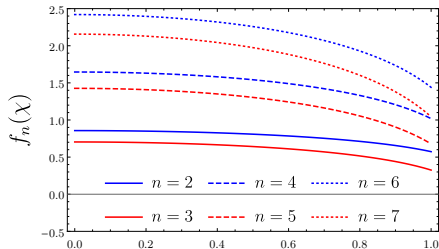
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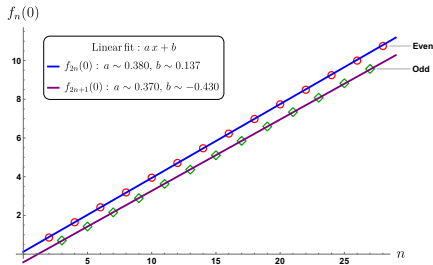
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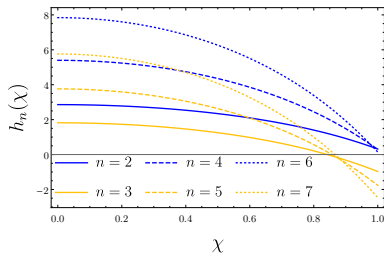
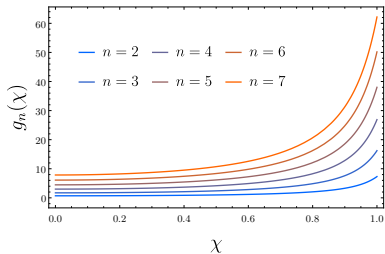
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$$h_2(\chi) = -\frac{8}{25\chi^{10}} (64 - 80\chi^{10} + 660\chi^8 - 1545\chi^6 + 1500\chi^4 - 600\chi^2) - 8(1 - \chi^2)^{5/2} (8 + 35\chi^4 - 55\chi^2)$$



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Thank you for your attention

Can we really see higher-derivative corrections? Depends on the scale  $\ell$

The first corrections are  $\sim \ell^4 Riem^3$ . The relative deviation  $\Delta$  with respect to GR is of order

$$\Delta \sim \frac{\ell^4 (GM)^2}{r^6}$$

$$\Delta_{Surf.Sun} \sim \left( \frac{\ell}{5 \times 10^8 \text{km}} \right)^4, \quad \Delta_{Surf.Earth} \sim \left( \frac{\ell}{2 \times 10^8 \text{km}} \right)^4, \quad \Delta_{BH(10M_\odot)} \sim \left( \frac{\ell}{40 \text{km}} \right)^4$$

We may measure this if  $\ell \sim \text{km}$ .

Constraints from cosmology? NO

BHs  $\rightarrow$  Weyl curvature. Cosmology  $\rightarrow$  Ricci curvature