

Kerr amplitudes and higher-spin gauge symmetry



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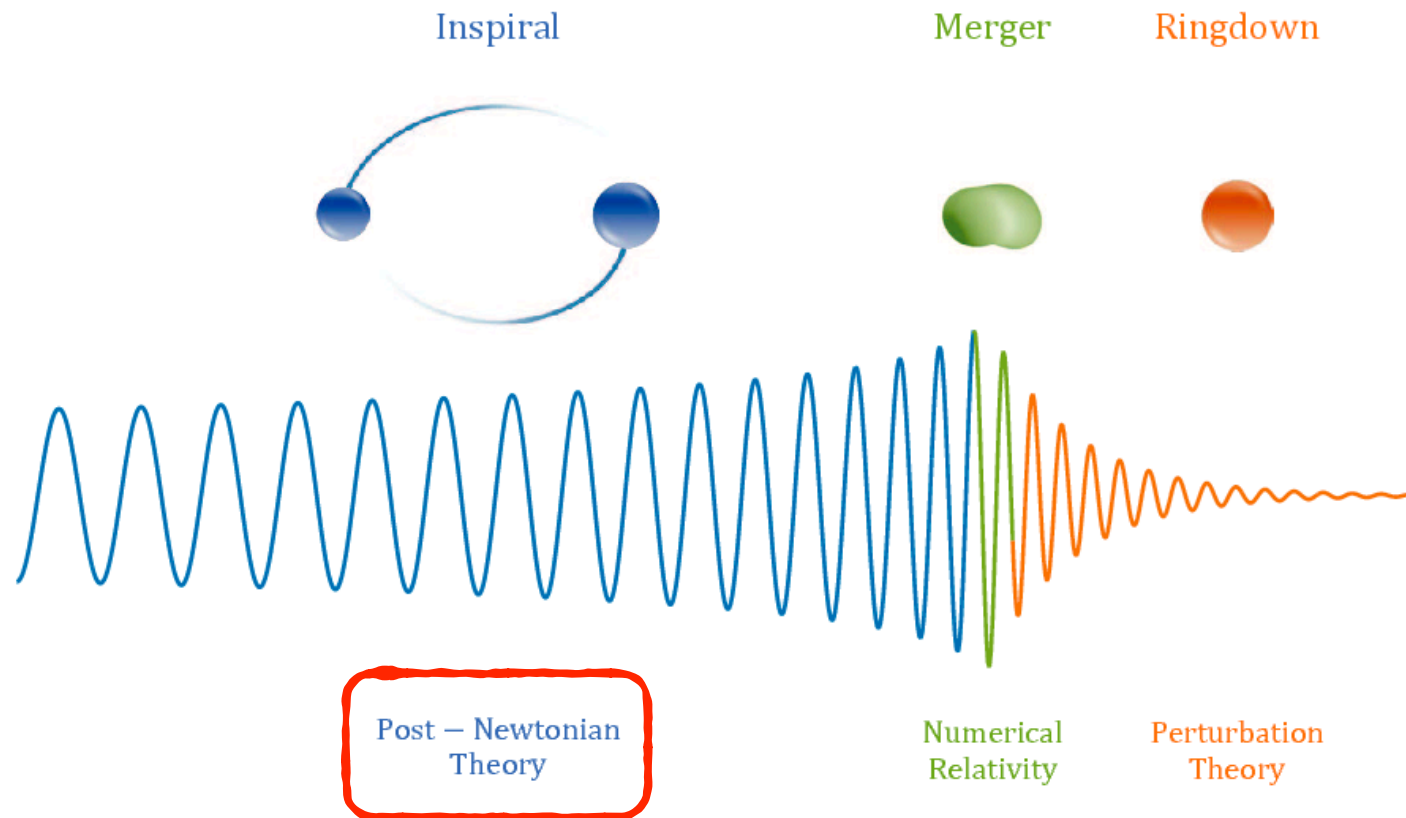
**Prague Spring Amplitudes
workshop**

Based on refs:

Chiodaroli, HJ, Pichini [2107.14779];

Cangemi, Chiodaroli, HJ, Ochirov, Pichini, Skvortsov [2212.06120]

Motivation: gravitational waves



Inspiral phase: high experimental sensitivity \leftrightarrow need theoretical precision
→ errors accumulate
→ analytic control possible
→ important for LISA band

PN, PM and spin-multipole expansions

Post-Newtonian (PN) expansion:

Bound systems:



expand in G and v

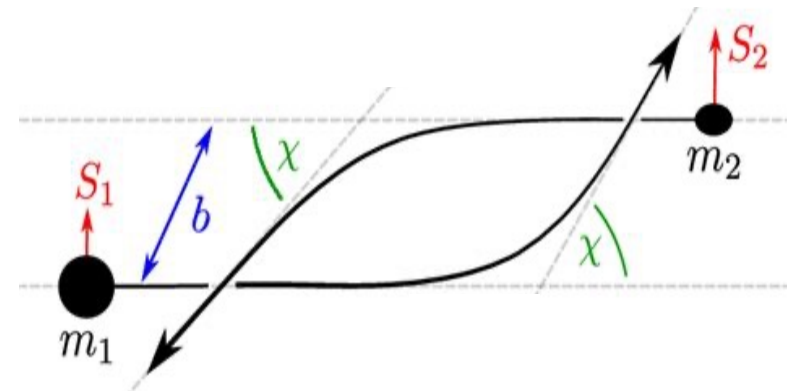
$$v^2 \sim \frac{GM}{r}$$

(virial theorem)

Post-Minkowskian (PM) expansion:

Gravitational scattering:

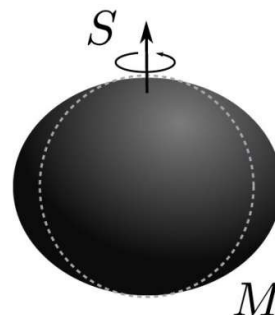
expand in $G \rightarrow$ loop expansion



Spin-multipole expansion:

Rotating black holes

expand in S_1 and S_2



Methods

- BH perturbation theory
- Worldline EFTs
- Quantum scattering ampl's
- higher-spin QFTs

Outline

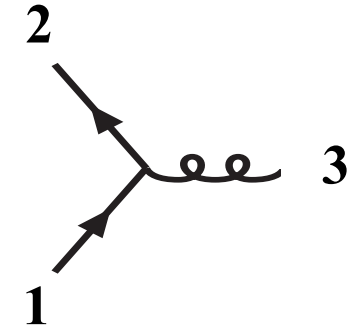
- Motivation
- The AHH higher-spin amplitudes
- The problem of Compton scattering for Kerr BHs
- EFTs describing Kerr and root-Kerr
- Higher-spin gauge symmetry and EFTs
- Conclusion

Higher-spin 3pt amplitudes & Kerr BH

Natural higher-spin gravitational 3pt amplitudes:

$$M(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3h^+) = im^2 x^2 \frac{\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle^{2s}}{m^{2s}},$$

$$M(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3h^-) = i \frac{m^2}{x^2} \frac{[\mathbf{12}]^{2s}}{m^{2s}}$$



Arkani-Hamed, Huang, Huang ('17)

Linearized energy-momentum tensor for Kerr source

Vines ('17)

$$T^{\mu\nu}(-k) = 2\pi \delta(p \cdot k) p^{(\mu} \exp(m^{-1} S * ik)^{\nu)}{}_{\rho} p^{\rho}$$

Non-minimal worldline action for Kerr:

Levi, Steinhoff ('15)

$$L_{\text{SI}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} \frac{C_{ES^{2n}}}{m^{2n-1}} D_{\mu_{2n}} \cdots D_{\mu_3} \frac{E_{\mu_1\mu_2}}{\sqrt{u^2}} S^{\mu_1} S^{\mu_2} \cdots S^{\mu_{2n-1}} S^{\mu_{2n}}$$

$$+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} \frac{C_{BS^{2n+1}}}{m^{2n}} D_{\mu_{2n+1}} \cdots D_{\mu_3} \frac{B_{\mu_1\mu_2}}{\sqrt{u^2}} S^{\mu_1} S^{\mu_2} \cdots S^{\mu_{2n-1}} S^{\mu_{2n}} S^{\mu_{2n+1}}$$

(spin-multipole expansion)

root-Kerr gauge theory

Classical double copy \rightarrow Kerr-Schild form

Monteiro,
O'Connell ('14)

metric: $g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \phi k_\mu k_\nu$ (Kerr, double copy)

gauge field: $A_\mu = \phi k_\mu$ (root-Kerr, single copy)

$$k^\mu k_\mu = 0 \quad \phi(r) = \frac{2MGr^3}{r^4 + a^2 z^2} \quad \frac{x^2 + y^2}{r^2 + a^2} + \frac{z^2}{r^2} = 1$$

Newman-Janis shift:

\rightarrow classical 3pt amplitudes

$$\Psi^{\text{Kerr}}(x) = \Psi^{\text{Schwarzschild}}(x + ia)$$

$$M_{3,\pm}^{\text{Kerr}} = e^{\pm p \cdot a} M_{3,\pm}^{\text{Schwarzschild}}$$

$$\Phi^{\sqrt{\text{Kerr}}}(x) = \Phi^{\text{Coulomb}}(x + ia)$$

$$A_{3,\pm}^{\sqrt{\text{Kerr}}} = e^{\pm p \cdot a} A_{3,\pm}^{\text{Coulomb}}$$

(Newman-Penrose curvature scalars)

Guevara, Ochirov, Vines;
Arkani-Hamed, Huang, O'Connell;
Guevara, Maybee, Ochirov, O'Connell, Vines

AHH amplitudes \rightarrow Kerr BH ?

Arkani-Hamed, Huang, Huang. ('17)

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Spin- s gauge theory 3pt amplitudes

$$A(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3A^+) = mx \frac{\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle^{2s}}{m^{2s}},$$

$$A(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3A^-) = \frac{m}{x} \frac{[\mathbf{12}]^{2s}}{m^{2s}}$$

Q1: Where is the spin vector ? $S^\mu = ma^\mu$

Q2: Where is the exponential factor ? $e^{\pm p \cdot a}$

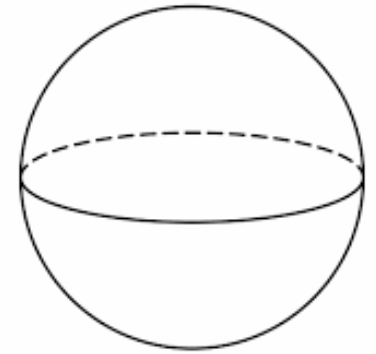
Q3: What are the quantum theories ? (before classical limit)

Quantum spin operator

Introduce projective 3-sphere coordinates

$$z^a = (x_1 + ix_2, x_3 + ix_4) \rightarrow 1 = z^a \bar{z}_a = |x|^2$$

parametrizes $SU(2) \leftrightarrow$ spin $z^a \sim (|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle)$



Relation between classical spin vector and quantum spin:

$$S^\mu = \frac{s}{2m} (\bar{z}^a z_a)^{2s-1} (\langle \bar{\mathbf{1}} | \sigma^\mu | \mathbf{1} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{1} | \sigma^\mu | \bar{\mathbf{1}} \rangle)$$

massive
spinor-helicity
formalism

Properties:

Transversality of spin vector: $p_1 \cdot S = 0$

Equals an expectation value: $S^\mu = \langle \hat{S}^\mu \rangle \equiv (\bar{z})^{2s} \cdot \hat{S}^\mu \cdot (z)^{2s}$

Gives spin operator: $[\hat{S}^\mu, \hat{S}^\nu] = i\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} \hat{S}_\rho \quad \hat{S}^2 = s(s+1)\mathbb{1}$

Recap of massive spinor helicity

Following AHH bold massive spinors \leftrightarrow symmetrized little group indices

$$|\mathbf{i}\rangle \equiv |i^a\rangle z_{i,a}, \quad |\mathbf{i}] \equiv |i^a] z_{i,a}$$

(spinors define maps: $SL(2, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow SU(2)$)

Analytic functions of spinors now possible:

$$\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle^{2s} = \text{degree-}4s \text{ polynomial in } (z_1^a, z_2^a)$$

Massive polarizations are null vectors

Chiodaroli, HJ, Pichini

$$\epsilon_i^\mu = \frac{\langle \mathbf{i} | \sigma^\mu | \mathbf{i} \rangle}{\sqrt{2} m_i} = \frac{[\mathbf{i} | \bar{\sigma}^\mu | \mathbf{i} \rangle}{\sqrt{2} m_i} = (z_i^1)^2 \epsilon_{i,-}^\mu - \sqrt{2} z_i^1 z_i^2 \epsilon_{i,L}^\mu - (z_i^2)^2 \epsilon_{i,+}^\mu$$

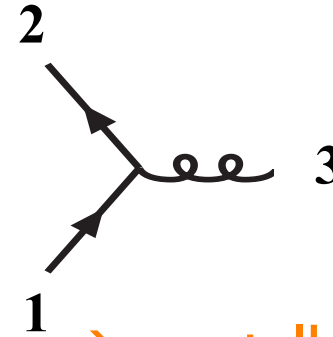
Higher-spin states automatically symmetric, transverse, traceless

$$\epsilon_i^{\mu_1 \mu_2 \dots \mu_s} \equiv \epsilon_i^{\mu_1} \epsilon_i^{\mu_2} \dots \epsilon_i^{\mu_s} = \text{degree-}2s \text{ polynomial in } z_i^a$$

AHH amplitudes = Kerr BHs

Relate in/out states by Lorentz transf.

$$|\mathbf{2}\rangle := |\bar{\mathbf{1}}\rangle + p_3 \cdot \sigma |\bar{\mathbf{1}}\rangle / (2m).$$



AHH factor \rightarrow exponential of spin operator: \rightarrow see talk by Cangemi

$$\frac{\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle^{2s}}{m^{2s}} = \left\langle \sum_{n=0}^{2s} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{p_3 \cdot \hat{S}}{m} \right)^n \right\rangle = \langle e^{p_3 \cdot \hat{a}} \rangle$$

Quantum Kerr and root Kerr 3pt \rightarrow Quantum Newman-Janis shift

$$M_{3,\pm}^{\text{Kerr}} = \langle e^{\pm p_3 \cdot \hat{a}} \rangle M_{3,\pm}^{\text{Schwarzchild}}$$

$$A_{3,\pm}^{\sqrt{\text{Kerr}}} = \langle e^{\pm p_3 \cdot \hat{a}} \rangle A_{3,\pm}^{\text{Coulomb}}$$

with ring-radius operator: $\hat{a}^\mu = \frac{\hat{S}^\mu}{m}$

(original argument: Guevara, Ochirov, Vines)

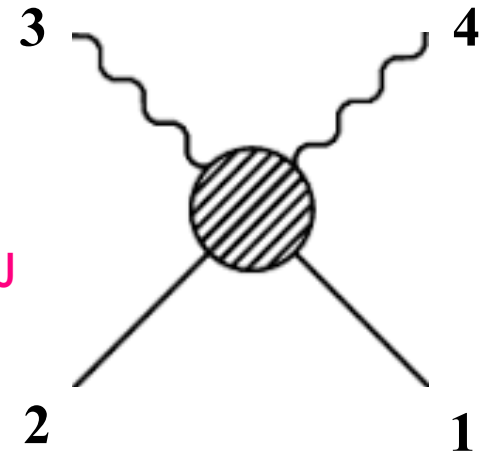
Kerr Compton amplitudes

Candidate Compton amplitudes via BCFW:

same helicity case:

$$M(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3h^+, 4h^+) = i \frac{\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle^{2s} [34]^4}{m^{2s-4} s_{12} t_{13} t_{14}}$$

Ochirov, HJ



opposite helicity case:

$$M(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3h^-, 4h^+) = i \frac{[4|p_1|3\rangle^{4-2s} ([41]\langle 32\rangle + [42]\langle 31\rangle)^{2s}}{s_{12} t_{13} t_{14}}, \quad \text{AHH}$$

Needed for NLO calculations:



However, for $s > 2$ there is a spurious pole \rightarrow need corrections

$$\frac{1}{[4|p_1|3\rangle^{2s-4}}$$

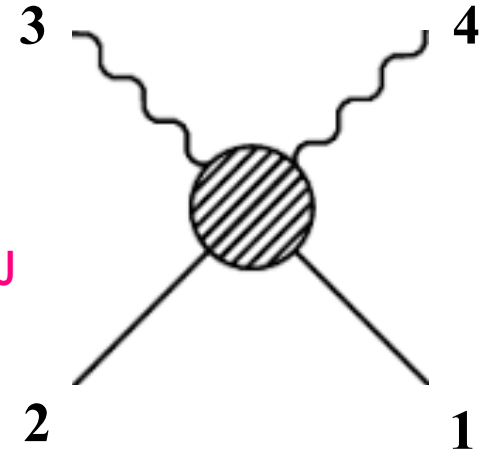
root-Kerr Compton amplitudes

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Ochirov, HJ



opposite helicity case:

$$A(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3A^-, 4A^+) = -i \frac{[4|p_1|3\rangle^{2-2s} ([41]\langle 32\rangle + [42]\langle 31\rangle)^{2s}}{t_{13} t_{14}} \quad \text{AHH}$$

Not needed for physics purposes, but provide useful toy model!

Again, for $s > 1$ spurious pole $\frac{1}{[4|p_1|3\rangle^{2s-2}} \rightarrow$ need corrections

[→ See talk by Cangemi](#)

Which quantum EFTs give Kerr amplitudes ?

EFTs behind root-Kerr

Identify EFTs from covariant formulas:

$$A(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3A^+) = mx \frac{\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle^{2s}}{m^{2s}}$$

spin-0: $A(1\phi^0, 2\bar{\phi}^0, 3A) = \varepsilon_3 \cdot (p_1 - p_2) \equiv A_{\phi\phi A}$ (scalar)

spin-1/2: $A(1\phi^{1/2}, 2\bar{\phi}^{1/2}, 3A) = \bar{u}_2 \not{\varepsilon}_3 u_1 \equiv A_{\lambda\lambda A}$ (fermion)

spin-1: $A(1\phi^1, 2\bar{\phi}^1, 3A) = 2(\varepsilon_1 \cdot \varepsilon_2 \varepsilon_3 \cdot p_2 + \varepsilon_2 \cdot \varepsilon_3 \varepsilon_1 \cdot p_3 + \varepsilon_3 \cdot \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \cdot p_1)$
 $\equiv A_{WWA}$ (W-boson)

spin-3/2: $A(1\phi^{3/2}, 2\bar{\phi}^{3/2}, 3A) = \bar{u}_2^\mu \not{\varepsilon}_3 u_{1\mu} - \frac{2}{m} \bar{u}_{2\mu} f_3^{\mu\nu} u_{1\nu} - \frac{1}{2m} \bar{u}_2^\mu f_3^{\rho\sigma} \gamma_\rho \gamma_\sigma u_{1\mu} \equiv A_{\psi\psi A}$
 (gravitino)

general spin- s given as a generating function:

$$\sum_{s=0}^{\infty} A(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3A) = A_{\phi\phi A} + \frac{A_{WWA} - (\varepsilon_1 \cdot \varepsilon_2)^2 A_{\phi\phi A}}{(1 + \varepsilon_1 \cdot \varepsilon_2)^2 + \frac{2}{m^2} \varepsilon_1 \cdot p_2 \varepsilon_2 \cdot p_1}$$

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HJ, Pichini

For $s > 1 \rightarrow$ higher-derivative HS effective theories (no massless limit)

Kerr/root-Kerr double copy

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Are related to the gauge th. ones via KLT

$$M(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3h^\pm) = iA(1\phi^{s_L}, 2\bar{\phi}^{s_L}, 3A^\pm)A(1\phi^{s_R}, 2\bar{\phi}^{s_R}, 3A^\pm)$$

Works for any decomposition: $s = s_L + s_R$

Preferred decomposition $s = 1 + (s - 1)$ give fewest derivatives :

$$\sum_{2s=0}^{\infty} M(1\phi^s, 2\bar{\phi}^s, 3h) = M_{0\oplus 1/2} + A_{WWA} \left(A_{0\oplus 1/2} + \frac{A_{1\oplus 3/2} - (\epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2)^2 A_{0\oplus 1/2}}{(1 + \epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2)^2 + \frac{2}{m^2} \epsilon_1 \cdot p_2 \epsilon_2 \cdot p_1} \right)$$

From double-copy structure, we can infer:

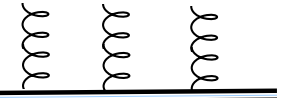
EFTs	$s = 1/2$	$s = 1$	$s = 3/2$	$s = 2$	$s = 5/2$	$s \geq 3$
Kerr	Major.	Proca	Rar.-Sch.	KK grav.	HS	HS
$\sqrt{\text{Kerr}}$	Dirac	W -boson	gravitino	HS	HS	HS

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Ochirov,
Pichini,
Skvortsov

For $s > 2$ Kerr \rightarrow higher-derivative HS EFTs (no massless limit)

Low-spin Compton double copies

Kerr amplitudes for $s \leq 2$ admit Compton double copy (also n -points)



$$(YM + \text{scalar}) \otimes (YM + \text{scalar}) = (GR + \text{scalar})$$

$$(YM + \text{scalar}) \otimes (YM + \text{fermion}) = (GR + \text{fermion})$$

$$(YM + \text{scalar}) \otimes (YM + W\text{-boson}) = (GR + \text{Proca})$$

$$(YM + W\text{-boson}) \otimes (YM + \text{fermion}) = (GR + \text{massive gravitino})$$

$$(YM + W\text{-boson}) \otimes (YM + W\text{-boson}) = (GR + \text{massive KK graviton})$$

Lagrangians unique: no new interaction terms beyond cubic order

Can be used for $(S^\mu)^{\leq 4}$ PM/PN calculations

Need new principles to fix interactions of the HS theories!

Higher-spin (HS) theories

What special about the low-spin EFTs ?

Kerr (root-Kerr) EFTs for $s \leq 2$ ($s \leq 1$)

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→ well-behaved massless limit

→ exhibits gauge symmetry (SSB)

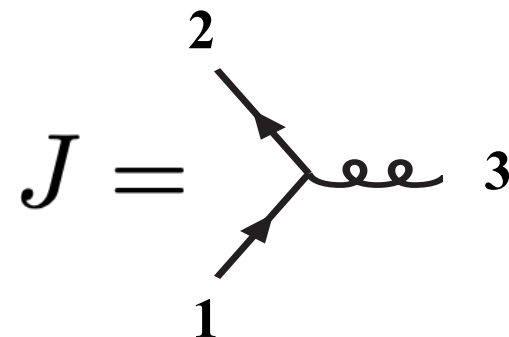
$s = 1$ (YM + W-boson) → non-abelian gauge symmetry

$s = 3/2$ (GR + massive gravitino) → supersymmetry

$s = 2$ (GR + massive KK graviton) → General covariance

Furthermore: satisfy a current constraint

$$p_1 \cdot J = \mathcal{O}(m)$$



Connected to tree-level unitarity constraint;

Porrati et al.

longitudinal modes suppressed in low-mass (high-energy) limit

Current constraint for $s=3/2, 5/2$

The current constraint (+ derivative power counting) gives unique amplitudes and EFT Lagrangians up to spin-3/2 root-Kerr

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$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}^\mu \gamma_{\mu\nu\rho} \left(iD^\nu - \frac{1}{2} m \gamma^\nu \right) \psi^\rho + \frac{ie}{m} \bar{\psi}_\mu \mathcal{F}^{\mu\nu} \psi_\nu$$

$$\mathcal{F}^{\mu\nu} \equiv F^{\mu\nu} - i/2 \gamma^5 \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma}$$

and also unique spin-5/2 Kerr EFT:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-1} \mathcal{L}_{\min} = & \bar{\psi}_{\mu\nu} (i\nabla - m) \psi^{\mu\nu} + 2\bar{\psi}_{\mu\nu} \gamma^\nu (i\nabla + m) \gamma^\rho \psi_\rho^\mu - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi}_\mu^\mu (i\nabla - m) \psi_\rho^\rho \\ & - (2\bar{\psi}^{\rho\mu} i\nabla_\rho \gamma^\nu \psi_{\mu\nu} + 2\bar{\psi}_{\mu\nu} \gamma^\nu i\nabla_\rho \psi^{\rho\mu}) + (\bar{\psi}_\mu^\mu i\nabla_\rho \gamma_\sigma \psi^{\rho\sigma} + \bar{\psi}^{\rho\sigma} \gamma_\sigma i\nabla_\rho \psi_\mu^\mu) \\ & + m(\bar{\psi}_\mu^\mu \lambda + \bar{\lambda} \psi_\mu^\mu) - \frac{12}{5} \bar{\lambda} (i\nabla + 3m) \lambda \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{non-min}} = -\frac{1}{m} \sqrt{-g} \bar{\psi}_{\mu\rho} \mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \psi_{\nu\sigma}$$

$$\mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = R^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - (i/2) \gamma^5 \epsilon^{\rho\sigma\alpha\beta} R^{\mu\nu}{}_{\alpha\beta}$$

Using HS gauge invariance

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Ochirov, Pichini, Skvortsov

Consider spin-2 root-Kerr case:

physical field: $\Phi_{\mu\nu}$

Stückelberg fields: $\{B_\mu, \varphi\}$

Imposing a linearized massive higher-spin gauge transformation:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta\Phi_{\mu\nu} &= \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu\xi_\nu + \frac{1}{2}\partial_\nu\xi_\mu + \frac{m}{\sqrt{2}}\eta_{\mu\nu}\xi, \\ \delta B_\mu &= \partial_\mu\xi + \frac{m}{\sqrt{2}}\xi_\mu, \\ \delta\varphi &= \sqrt{3}m\xi,\end{aligned}$$

← gauge parameter

Makes sure that:

- DOFs are correct,
- small-mass limit better behaved than naively expected

Massive Ward identities

We write down ansatz for off-shell interactions:

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$$V_{\Phi\bar{\Phi}A} \sim m (\epsilon_1)^2 (\epsilon_2)^2 \epsilon_3 \left(\frac{p^3}{m^3} + \frac{p}{m} \right),$$

$$V_{B\bar{\Phi}A} \sim m (\epsilon_1) (\epsilon_2)^2 \epsilon_3 \left(\frac{p^2}{m^2} + 1 \right),$$

$$V_{\varphi\bar{\Phi}A} \sim m (\epsilon_2)^2 \epsilon_3 \left(\frac{p}{m} \right),$$

and constrain them using Ward identities

$$V_{\xi\bar{\Phi}A}|_{(2,3)} = V_{\zeta\bar{\Phi}A}|_{(2,3)} = 0$$

where the vertices corresponding to gauge parameters are:

$$V_{\xi\bar{\Phi}A} := \frac{m}{\sqrt{2}} V_{B\bar{\Phi}A} - \frac{i}{2} p_1 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_1} V_{\Phi\bar{\Phi}A},$$

$$V_{\zeta\bar{\Phi}A} := \sqrt{3} m V_{\varphi\bar{\Phi}A} - i p_1 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_1} V_{B\bar{\Phi}A} + \frac{m}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_1} \right)^2 V_{\Phi\bar{\Phi}A}.$$

→ 3pt amplitude: $A(\Phi_1^2 \bar{\Phi}_2^2 A_3^+) = A_0 \frac{\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle^3}{m^4} (c_1 [\mathbf{12}] + (1 - c_1) \langle \mathbf{12} \rangle)$

unique after current constraint: $c_1 = 0$

General spin-s EFTs

Consider tower $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, s$ of HS fields and gauge parameters:

$$\Phi^k := \Phi^{\mu_1 \mu_2 \dots \mu_k}, \quad \xi^k := \xi^{\mu_1 \mu_2 \dots \mu_k} \quad \text{Zinoviev (2001)}$$

(double-traceless) (traceless)

Gauge transformation: $\delta\Phi^k = \partial^{(1}\xi^{k-1)} + m\alpha_k\xi^k + m\beta_k\eta^{(2}\xi^{k-2)}$

$$\alpha_k = \frac{1}{k+1} \sqrt{\frac{(s-k)(s+k+1)}{2}}, \quad \beta_k = \frac{1}{2} \frac{k}{k-1} \alpha_{k-1}$$

Minimal Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \mathcal{L}_F + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{s-1} (-1)^k (k+1) G^k G^k$$

Gauge-fixing fn:

$$G^k = \partial \cdot \Phi^{k+1} - \frac{k}{2} \partial^{(1} \tilde{\Phi}^{k+1)} + m (\alpha_k \Phi^k - \gamma_k \tilde{\Phi}^{k+2} - \delta_k \eta^{(2} \tilde{\Phi}^k))$$

Feynman-gauge Lagr:

$$\mathcal{L}_F = \sum_{k=0}^s \frac{(-1)^k}{2} \left[\Phi^k (\square + m^2) \Phi^k - \frac{k(k-1)}{4} \tilde{\Phi}^k (\square + m^2) \tilde{\Phi}^k \right]$$

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Non-minimal interactions

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3pt vertex: $V_{\Phi^k \Phi^s A^{\mathfrak{h}}} = V_{\Phi^k \Phi^s A^{\mathfrak{h}}}^{\min.} + V_{\Phi^k \Phi^s A^{\mathfrak{h}}}^{\text{non-min.}}$

Ward identities:
$$V_{\xi^k \Phi^s A^{\mathfrak{h}}} := m\alpha_k V_{\Phi^k \Phi^s A^{\mathfrak{h}}} - \frac{i}{k+1} p_1 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_1} V_{\Phi^{k+1} \Phi^s A^{\mathfrak{h}}} + \frac{m\beta_{k+2}}{(k+2)(k+1)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_1} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_1} V_{\Phi^{k+2} \Phi^s A^{\mathfrak{h}}}$$

Constraints imposed:

(WI) Ward identities $V_{\xi^k \Phi^s A^{\mathfrak{h}}} \Big|_{(2,3), \epsilon_1^2 \rightarrow 0} = 0;$

(CC) Current constraint $p_1 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_1} V_{\Phi^s \Phi^s A^{\mathfrak{h}}} \Big|_{(2,3), \epsilon_1^2 \rightarrow 0} = \mathcal{O}(m).$

(PC) Power-counting bound on derivatives in non-minimal vertices: $V_{\Phi^{s_1} \Phi^{s_2} A^{\mathfrak{h}}}^{\text{non-min.}} \sim \partial^{s_1+s_2-2\mathfrak{h}} (F_{\mu\nu})^{\mathfrak{h}};$

(ND) Near-diagonal interactions: if $|s_1 - s_2| > \mathfrak{h}$ then $V_{\Phi^{s_1} \Phi^{s_2} A^{\mathfrak{h}}} = 0.$

Gives unique Kerr and root-Kerr 3pt amplitudes (matching AHH)

HS perturbation theory

Calculations expected to simplify in Feynman gauge: Cangemi, Chiodaroli, HJ, Ochirov, Pichini, Skvortsov

Feynman-gauge propagator for any field obtained as generating fn:

$$\Delta(\epsilon, \bar{\epsilon}) = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} (\epsilon)^s \cdot \Delta^{(s)} \cdot (\bar{\epsilon})^s = \frac{1}{p^2 - m^2 + i0} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{4}\epsilon^2 \bar{\epsilon}^2}{1 + \epsilon \cdot \bar{\epsilon} + \frac{1}{4}\epsilon^2 \bar{\epsilon}^2}$$

Focus on root-Kerr Compton amplitude, we obtain

$$A(\Phi_1^s \Phi_2^s A_3^- A_4^+) = \frac{\langle 3|1|4 \rangle^2 (U + V)^{2s}}{m^{4s} t_{13} t_{14}} + \frac{\langle 3|1|4 \rangle \langle \mathbf{13} \rangle [\mathbf{24}] P_{2s}}{m^{4s} t_{13}} \\ + \langle \mathbf{13} \rangle \langle \mathbf{32} \rangle [\mathbf{14}] [\mathbf{42}] \frac{P_{2s-1}}{m^{4s}} + C_s,$$

with a polynomial: $P_k = \frac{1}{2V} \{ (U + V)^k - (U - V)^k \}$

contact term
 $C_{s < 2} = 0$

and variables $V = \frac{1}{2} (\langle \mathbf{1} | \mathbf{4} | \mathbf{2} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{2} | \mathbf{4} | \mathbf{1} \rangle)$, $U = \frac{1}{2} (\langle \mathbf{1} | \mathbf{4} | \mathbf{2} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{2} | \mathbf{4} | \mathbf{1} \rangle) - m[\mathbf{12}]$

4pt contact terms

root-Kerr Compton amplitude:

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4pt Ward Id leaves 2 parameters unfixed at $s = 2$

$$C_2 = \frac{\langle \mathbf{13} \rangle \langle \mathbf{32} \rangle [\mathbf{14}] [\mathbf{42}]}{m^6} \left\{ c_1 (\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle + [\mathbf{12}])^2 + c_2 (\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle - [\mathbf{12}])^2 \right\}$$

Spin- s amplitude in terms of ring-radius operator:

$$A(\Phi_1^s \Phi_2^s A_3^- A_4^+) \xrightarrow{\hbar \sim 0} -e^{-\hat{a} \cdot q_\perp} \left(\frac{(p_1 \cdot w)^2}{(p_1 \cdot q_\perp)^2} + \frac{(p_1 \cdot w)(\hat{a} \cdot w)}{(p_1 \cdot q_\perp)} + \frac{1}{2s} (\hat{a} \cdot w)^2 \right) + \hat{C}_s + \mathcal{O}(\hat{a}^2) + \mathcal{O}(\hbar),$$

→ See talk by Cangemi

Conclusion: Kerr dynamics proposal

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We propose that Kerr dynamics is non-trivially constrained by

Massive Higher Spin Gauge Symmetry

Checks: → uniquely predicts previously known Kerr 3,4pt amplitudes

→ gives non-trivial constraints on unknown Compton contact terms

Further checks needed:

- Analysis of classical limit → Cangemi
- Comparison with Teukolsky equation (BH-PT)
- Newman-Janis shift at Compton level ?
- Uniqueness of EFTs ?

Possible future directions: implications for quantum BHs,
→ including absorption and emission effects