

GR as a Perturbative QFT #4

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Previous: QFT construction of GR

Now: Calculations
- UV properties
- transition to IR

Today: Tree + Loop calculations
W Sept 25: EFT day
F Sept 22: Using EFT techniques in part. QG
- low energy theorems
- limitations

Review

Covariant Path Integral Quantization

$$Z = \int [dg][d\phi] e^{i \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{2}{\kappa^2} R + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi \right]}$$

$\int [dg][d\phi]$ in PI $\left[\frac{2}{\kappa^2} R + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi \right]$ ← propagator

Perturbative expansions

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}$$

$\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}$ background $h_{\mu\nu}$ fluct. quantum

Need gauge fixing - harmonic gauge

$$L_{gf} = \frac{1}{2} \left[D^\alpha h_{\mu\alpha} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{D}_\mu h^\lambda{}_\lambda \right]^2$$

and ghosts

$$L_{gh} = \bar{\eta}^\mu \left[\bar{g}_{\mu\nu} \bar{D}^2 + \bar{R}_{\mu\nu} \right] \eta^\nu$$

Yields Feynman rules

$$\text{Diagram: } \text{wavy line } \xrightarrow{\mu\nu} \text{wavy line } \xrightarrow{\alpha\beta} = i \frac{P^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}}{q^2 + i\epsilon} \quad \swarrow d=4$$

$$P_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\nu\beta} + \eta_{\mu\beta} \eta_{\nu\alpha} - \frac{2}{d-2} \eta^{\alpha\beta} \eta^{\mu\nu} \right]$$

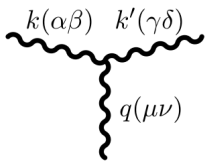
$$\text{Diagram: } \text{wavy line } \xrightarrow{\mu\nu} \text{wavy line } \xrightarrow{\mu'\nu'} = -i \frac{\kappa}{2} \left[(P_\mu P'_\nu + P'_\mu P_\nu) - \eta_{\mu\nu} (p \cdot p' - m^2) \right]$$

also 

ghost:

Feynman rule

$$\text{Diagram: } \text{wavy line } \xrightarrow{\alpha\beta} \text{wavy line } \xrightarrow{\gamma\delta} = -i \left[k_\alpha k_\beta \eta_{\mu\nu} + g \cdot k \eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\alpha\beta} + g_\mu k_\alpha \eta_{\nu\alpha} - g_\nu k_\alpha \eta_{\mu\beta} + g^\zeta \eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\alpha\beta} \right]$$



$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{i\kappa}{2} \left(P_{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta} \left[k^\mu k^\nu + (k-q)^\mu (k-q)^\nu + q^\mu q^\nu - \frac{3}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} q^2 \right] \right. \\ &+ 2q_\lambda q_\sigma \left[I^{\lambda\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\gamma\delta} + I^{\lambda\sigma}_{\gamma\delta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\alpha\beta} - I^{\lambda\mu}_{\alpha\beta} I^{\sigma\nu}_{\gamma\delta} - I^{\sigma\nu}_{\alpha\beta} I^{\lambda\mu}_{\gamma\delta} \right] \\ &+ [q_\lambda q^\mu (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\lambda\nu}_{\gamma\delta} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\lambda\nu}_{\alpha\beta}) + q_\lambda q^\nu (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\lambda\mu}_{\gamma\delta} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\lambda\mu}_{\alpha\beta}) \\ &- q^2 (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\gamma\delta} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\alpha\beta}) - \eta^{\mu\nu} q^\lambda q^\sigma (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\sigma} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\sigma})] \\ &+ \left[2q^\lambda \left(I^{\sigma\nu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\sigma} (k-q)^\mu + I^{\sigma\mu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\sigma} (k-q)^\nu \right) \right. \\ &- I^{\sigma\nu}_{\gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\sigma} k^\mu - I^{\sigma\mu}_{\gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\sigma} k^\nu \left. \right] \\ &+ q^2 \left(I^{\sigma\mu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\sigma}{}^\nu + I_{\alpha\beta,\sigma}{}^\nu I^{\sigma\mu}_{\alpha\delta} \right) + \eta^{\mu\nu} q^\lambda q_\sigma \left(I^{\rho\sigma}_{\gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\rho} + I^{\rho\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\rho} \right) \\ &+ \left[(k^2 + (k-q)^2) \left(I^{\sigma\mu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\sigma}{}^\nu + I^{\sigma\nu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\sigma}{}^\mu - \frac{1}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} P_{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta} \right) \right. \\ &\left. - k^2 \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\alpha\beta} - (k-q)^2 \eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\gamma\delta} \right] \left. \right). \end{aligned}$$

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Free graviton

- 2nd quantization (like phonon)

Weak field

$$- g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}$$

$$- \partial_\mu h^\mu{}_\nu - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\nu h^\lambda{}_\lambda = 0$$

$$\square h_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \nearrow$$

Physical states

2 propagating polarizations
a) Lorentz gauge $\bar{h} = \pm 2$
b) Classical grav waves

Photon polarization vectors

$$\epsilon_\mu(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0, 1, \pm i, 0) \quad \lambda = \pm 1$$

$$\text{for } z^\mu = (z, 0, 0, z)$$

$$\partial^\mu \epsilon_\mu = 0$$

$$\epsilon^*(\lambda) \epsilon(\lambda) = 1$$

$$\epsilon_\mu(\lambda) \epsilon^\mu(\lambda) = 0 = \epsilon_\mu^*(-\lambda) \epsilon^\mu(\lambda)$$

gravity $h_{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu} e^{-i\mathbf{g}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$

$h^\lambda{}_\lambda = 0 \leftarrow \text{Lorentz scalar} \Rightarrow \epsilon^\lambda{}_\lambda = 0$

harmonic gauge $\partial^\mu \epsilon_{\mu\nu} = 0$

Use ϵ_μ

$\epsilon_{\mu\nu} (\lambda_{\mathbf{g}} = \pm 2) = \epsilon_\mu (\pm 1) \epsilon_\nu (\pm 1) \leftarrow$
~~product~~

$h_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{g}, t) = \sum_{\lambda=\pm 2} \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{g}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_{\mathbf{g}}}} \left[a(\mathbf{g}, t) \epsilon_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{g}, t) e^{-i\mathbf{g}\cdot\mathbf{x}} + h.c. \right]$

Energy in grav. wave:

$G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$

$G_{\mu\nu} = G_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} + G_{\mu\nu}^{(2)} \leftarrow \text{powers of } h$

define $t_{\mu\nu} = \frac{-1}{8\pi G} G_{\mu\nu}^{(2)}$

$\square h_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G (T_{\mu\nu} + t_{\mu\nu})$

$t_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{4} h_{\alpha\beta} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{8} h \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h$

$+ \frac{1}{8} \eta_{\mu\nu} \left(h^{\alpha\beta} \square h_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2} h \square h \right)$

$- \frac{1}{4} (h_{\mu\rho} \square h^{\rho\nu} + h_{\nu\rho} \square h^{\rho\mu} - h_{\mu\nu} \square h)$

$+ \frac{1}{8} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu (h_{\alpha\beta} h^{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2} h h) - \frac{1}{16} \eta_{\mu\nu} \square (h_{\alpha\beta} h^{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2} h h)$

$- \frac{1}{4} \partial_\alpha \left[\partial_\nu (h_{\mu\beta} h^{\alpha\beta}) + \partial_\mu (h_{\nu\beta} h^{\alpha\beta}) \right]$

$+ \frac{1}{2} \partial_\alpha \left[h^{\alpha\beta} (\partial_\nu h_{\mu\beta} + \partial_\mu h_{\nu\beta}) \right],$

\leftarrow
 [varies by FOM]

] total deriv.

$h = h^\lambda{}_\lambda$

2nd Quant.

$$[a(\mathbf{p}, \lambda), a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}', \lambda')] = \delta_{\lambda, \lambda'} \delta^3(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}')$$

Find

$$H = \int d^3x t_{00} = \sum_{\lambda} \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \omega_p \left[a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}, \lambda) a(\mathbf{p}, \lambda) + \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

Energy state

$$|\mathbf{p}, \lambda\rangle = a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}, \lambda) |0\rangle$$

Goal: Derive construct GR as massless spin 2
coupled to $t_{\mu\nu}$

free field $\Rightarrow t_{\mu\nu}$

free + $t_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} \Rightarrow t_{\mu\nu}^{(2)}$

\vdots

\Rightarrow GR

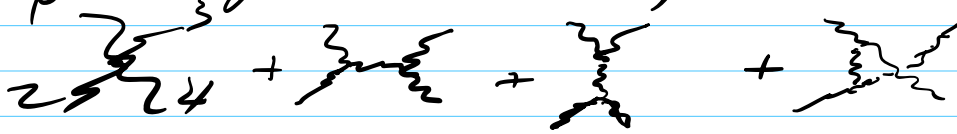
caveat $\sqrt{g} = 1$ GR also works

Gravity as Square of Gauge Theory - amplitude

- papers by Bern, Dixon, Elvang & Huang

On shell amplitudes are remarkably simple

graviton graviton scattering



On shell $M_g(1^-, 2^-, 3^+, 4^+) = \left(\frac{\kappa}{2}\right)^2 \frac{s^3}{t u} = \left(\frac{\kappa}{2}\right)^2 s_{12} \frac{s_{12} s_{23}}{s_3 s_4}$

↑
Mandelstam

↑
 $s_{ij} = (p_i + p_j)^2$

Scheme for gauge theory

$$A_{\text{gauge}}(1^-, 2^-, 3^+, 4^+) = \frac{s_{12}}{s_{13}}$$

⇒ Feynman rules correct but clumsy

General relation!

$$M_{\text{gauge}}^{\text{tree}}(1234) = s_{12} A_{\text{gauge}}^t(1, 234) A_{\text{gauge}}^t(12, 43)$$

... generaliz

from KLT in string $\mathcal{O} \sim \mathcal{C}$

How can it work?

Recall $E_{\mu\nu}(\rightarrow+) = E_{\mu}(\rightarrow) E_{\nu}(\rightarrow)$

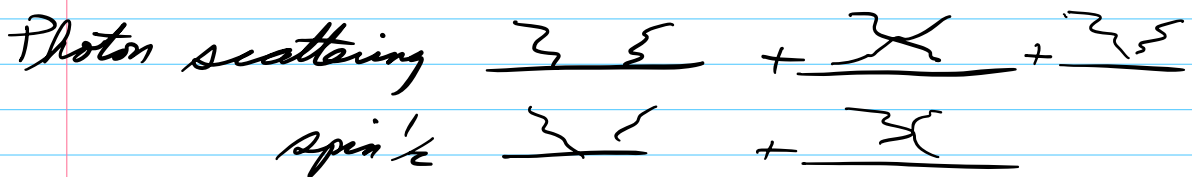
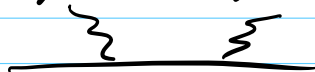
gauge \sim ~~...~~ $f^{abc}(P-P)_{\mu} g_{ab} + \dots$

gravity \sim ~~...~~ $(P_{\mu})(P_{\nu})$
 \sim kinematic

Magic!

- Bilinear scalar $f^{abc} f^{cde}$
- Gauge theory $f^{abc} P_{\mu}$
- gravity $P_{\mu} P_{\nu}$

Compton amplitude



Low low energy theorem

- spin independent parts are universal
- linear in spin

Graviton

spin 0 $\{ \epsilon \}$ $\{ \epsilon \}$ $\{ \epsilon \}$ $\{ \epsilon \}$, $\{ \epsilon \}$ $\{ \epsilon \}$

Universal (Gross+Jackiw)

Double copy

$$A_{\text{grav}}(S) = \frac{(k^2 - 1)}{2} \frac{1}{24} \frac{A \cdot h_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot h_2}{2 \cdot h_1 \cdot h_2} A_{\text{gauge}}(S=0) A_{\text{gauge}}(S)$$

\Rightarrow

Loops:

1) Massless scalars

$$i \underline{\Sigma} i' = i \frac{\kappa}{2} \left[(P_\mu P'_\nu + P'_\nu P_\mu) - \eta_{\mu\nu} P \cdot P' \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \Sigma = \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2 + i\epsilon} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow 0 \quad \mu\nu \quad \mu\nu \quad \mu\nu$$

$$\left(\frac{\kappa}{2} \right)^2 \mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{[k(k+g)k(k+g)]}{k^2 (k+g)^2}$$

Dimensionally $\mu^{4-d} E^d \frac{1}{\kappa g^{d-4}}$

$$M_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} = \kappa^2 T_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} (g^2)^2 \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \ln \frac{g^2}{\mu^2} \right]$$

↑ dimensionless $(\eta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{g_\mu g_\nu}{g^2})(\eta_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{g_\alpha g_\beta}{g^2})$

$$\Delta \mathcal{L} \sim R^2$$

$$\subset R \Rightarrow \kappa \left[\eta_{\mu\nu} \delta - \frac{g_\mu g_\nu}{g^2} \right] \eta^{\mu\nu} + \dots$$

Result is like

$$M_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \Rightarrow \Delta \mathcal{L} = a R \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \ln \frac{g^2}{\mu^2} \right] R$$

$$+ b R_{\mu\nu} \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \ln \frac{g^2}{\mu^2} \right] R^{\mu\nu}$$

↑ $\langle \ln \delta \rangle = \ln g^2$

$$a = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \frac{1}{120}, \quad b = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \frac{1}{240}$$

⇒ get induced effects of $\mathcal{O}(R^2)$

If want to renormalize

$$L = c_1 R^2 + c_2 R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu}$$

$$c_1^{\text{ren}} = c_1^{\text{bare}} + \alpha \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} \right]$$

$$c_2^{\text{ren}}$$

} can be renormalized

↑ go out & measure

$$L = c_1(\mu_R) R^2 + c_2 R_{\mu\nu} \ln \frac{\mu_R}{\Lambda} R^{\mu\nu}$$

local

non local

$$\langle N | \ln \mathbb{I} | y \rangle = \int_{\frac{\Lambda^4}{(2\pi)^4}} d^4 q e^{i q \cdot (x-y)} \ln q^2$$

$\frac{1}{(x-y)^4}$

Loop with massive field

$$\frac{1}{z} = \frac{k}{z} \left[\eta_{\mu\nu} (p \cdot p' - m^2) \right]$$

~~$$\frac{1}{z} \sim \frac{1}{z^2 - m^2}$$~~

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{k} \rightarrow \frac{1}{k} \neq 0 \sim k m^4$$

$$M_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} = \left(\frac{k}{2} \right) \left[\underbrace{\int_{\text{loop}} m^4}_{\sim 1} + \underbrace{\int_{\text{loop}} g^2 m^2}_{\sim R} + \underbrace{\int_{\text{loop}} g^4}_{R^2} \right]$$

Renorm of Λ m^4

$$\sqrt{g} \Lambda = \Lambda \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} h^\lambda{}_\lambda + \frac{1}{8} (h^\lambda{}_\lambda)^2 - \frac{1}{4} h^\alpha{}_\lambda h^{\lambda\alpha} + \dots \right]$$

Linear in field ϕ

$$M = -i h^{\mu\nu} \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2 - m^2}$$

$$= -i h^{\mu\nu} \eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{m^4}{64\pi^2} \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{3}{2} \right]$$

Quadratic renorm
at $g=0$

$$\frac{i m^4}{128\pi^2} \left(h^{\mu\nu} h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} h^\lambda{}_\lambda \right) \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{5}{2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta \mathcal{L} = \delta(\Lambda) = \frac{m^4}{32\pi^2} \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \frac{\ln m^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{3}{\epsilon} \right]$$

$$\left[\frac{1}{2} h^\lambda \lambda + \frac{1}{8} (h^\lambda)^2 - \frac{1}{4} h^\lambda h_{\lambda-1} \right]$$

covariant

\Rightarrow renorm of $\Lambda \sim m^4$

Cosmological constant does not run:

Real running is variation with Energy of process

$$\log g^2 \leftarrow \text{running}$$

Mass independent renorm scheme

$$\left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \frac{\ln g^2}{\mu^2} \right] \text{ in renorm}$$

\Rightarrow Tracking $\log \mu^2$ reveal $\ln g^2$

But here for Λ

$$\left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \frac{\ln m^2}{\mu^2} \right] \leftarrow \text{does not depend on momentum}$$

when renorm $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$, $\ln \mu$, $\ln \mu^2$ disappear

\Rightarrow no residual factors

Same of (SG) $\sim m^2 g^2$

G does not run either

Sociology

- many claim for running Λ , G
- not for physical amplitude
- abstract theory space

- cutoff $\delta \Lambda \neq \Lambda_{\text{cutoff}}^4$

physics independent of cutoffs

$\Lambda_{\text{cutoff}} = \text{cutoff}$

Preview: Gravity loop

^{1,2} t Hooft
Veltman

$$\Delta \mathcal{I} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{1}{120} R^2 + \frac{7}{20} R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} \right] \frac{1}{16\pi^2}$$

