

Classical Observables in General Relativity from Heavy-Mass Effective Theory

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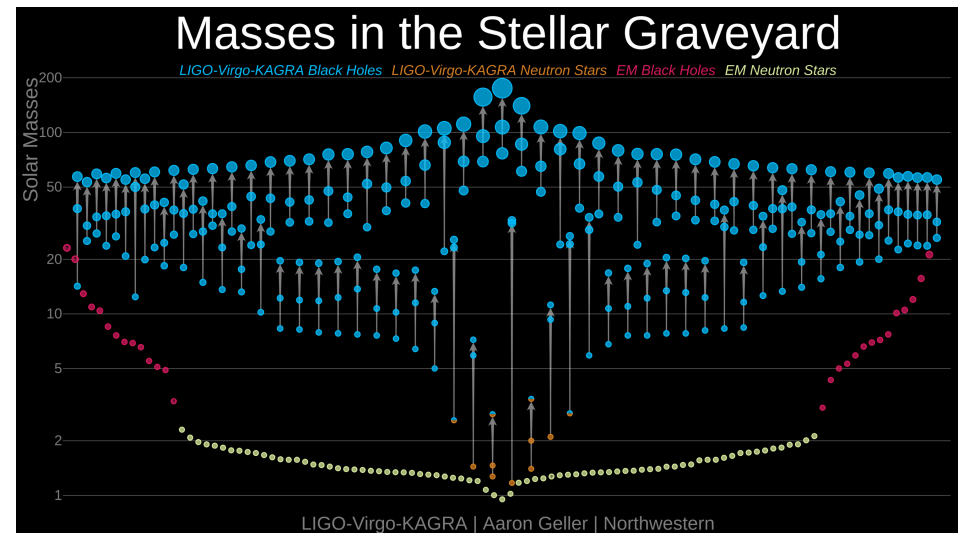
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Gravitational Waves

- A New Observational Era:
- **LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA**
O1,2,3 ~100 binary mergers
O4 2-3 days per merger

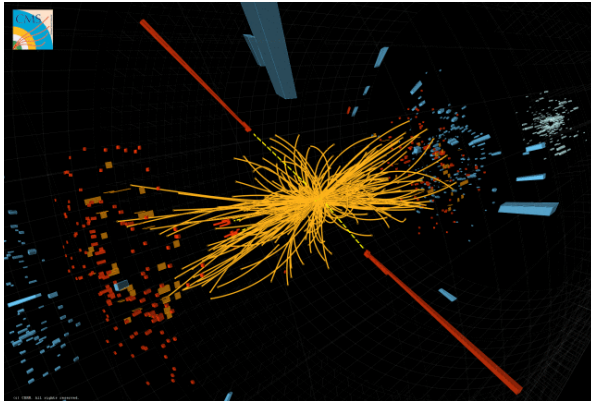


- Future GW observatories to start in 2030's:
Advanced LIGO, Cosmic Explorer, Einstein Telescope, LISA \Rightarrow increased sensitivity + frequency range
- **Astrophysics:** Black hole formation/evolution, neutron stars, new sources of GWs
- **Fundamental physics:** Precision tests of GR. Modified GR? DM?

Need for high precision theory predictions

Why can amplitudes help us with this?

Scattering problem

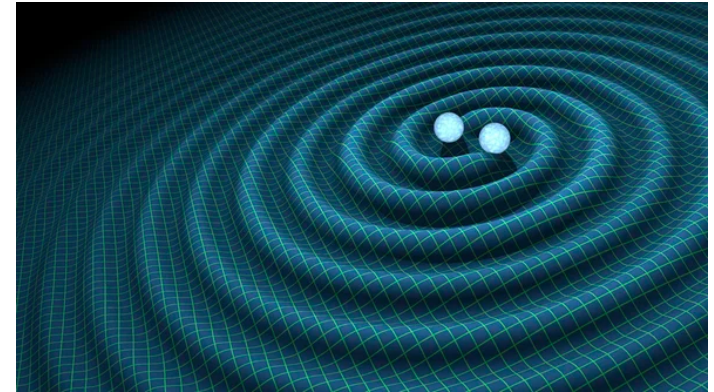


QCD, EW theory
Quantum Field Theory

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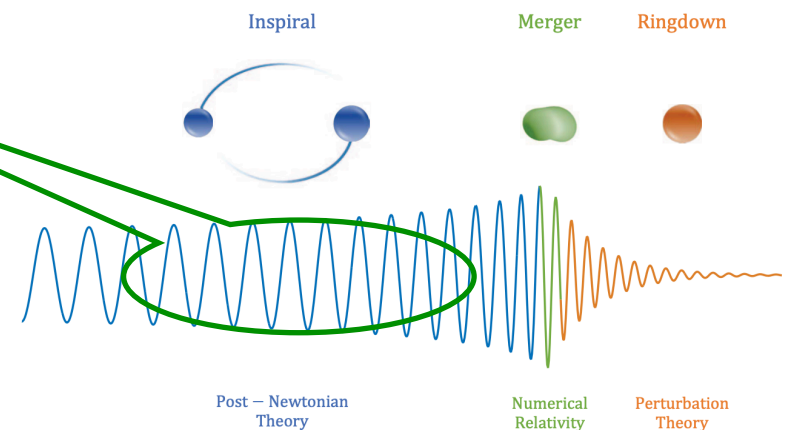
Bound state problem



Classical GR, Einstein equations

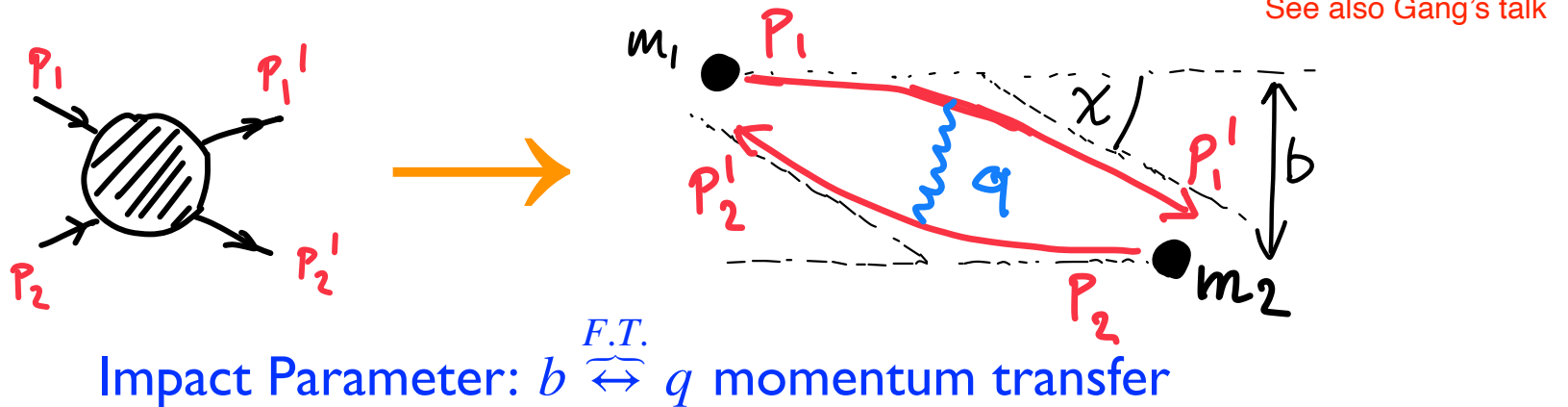
- Black holes/neutron stars are **effectively point particles** (EFT)
- Unleash the full arsenal of **advanced amplitudes techniques** in the **perturbative regime**
- **Post-Minkowskian (PM) exp.**

- $n\text{PM} \rightarrow G^n \rightarrow (n - 1) \text{ loops}$

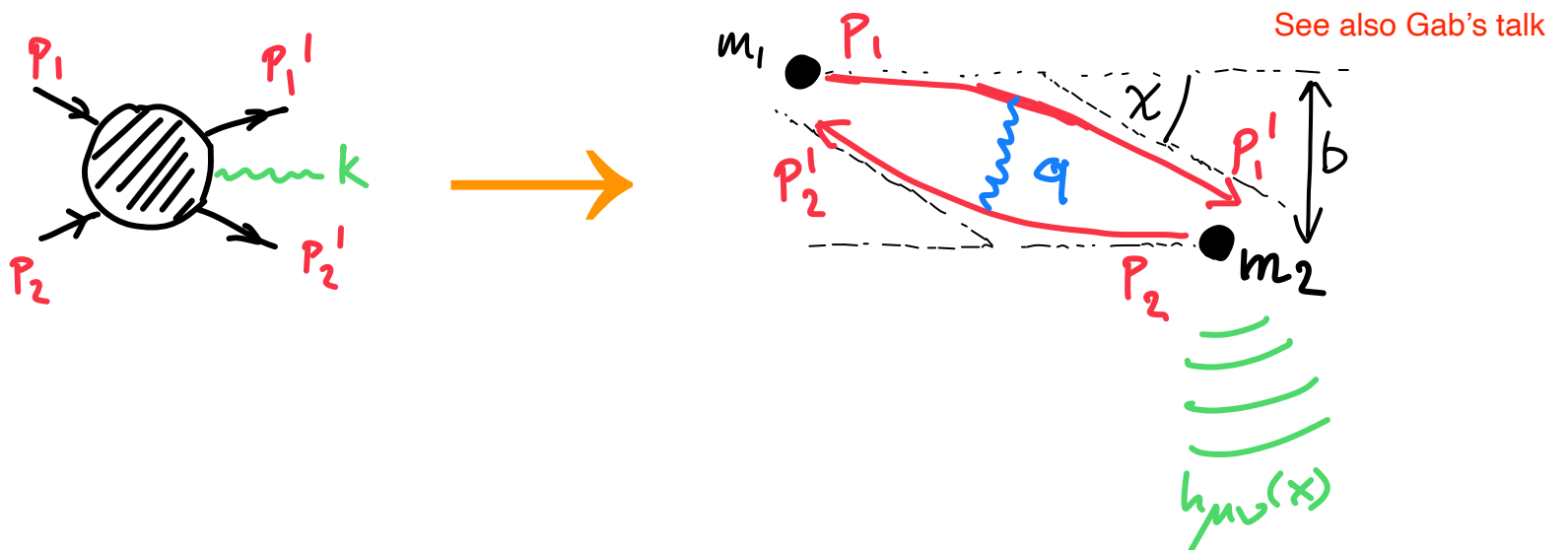


Binary dynamics from (HEFT) amplitudes

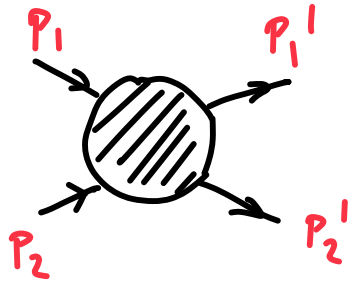
- 1) **Conservative:** e.g. bending angle χ from 4-point amplitudes



- 2) **Dissipation:** e.g. bremsstrahlung/waveforms from 5-point amplitudes



Bending angle from amplitudes



$$p_{1,2} = m_{1,2} u_{1,2}$$

$$y = u_1 \cdot u_2 \geq 1$$

$$\bar{p}_i = (p_i + p'_i)/2$$

$$p_1 - p'_1 = q = p'_2 - p_2$$

$$\bar{p}_{1,2} \cdot q = 0$$

- Model blackholes (spin=0) with massive scalars \Rightarrow

effective coupling $\frac{Gm^2}{\hbar c} \sim 10^{75}$, nonsensical!?

- Exponentiation in Impact Parameter Space (IPS)

$$\widetilde{M}(b) = \int d^4q \delta(2\bar{p}_1 \cdot q) \delta(2\bar{p}_2 \cdot q) e^{iq \cdot b} M$$

$$= e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} \delta} = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} (\delta_0 + \delta_1 + \delta_2 + \dots)}, \quad \delta_{n+1} / \delta_n \propto Gm/b$$

- Actual expansion parameter: $\frac{Gm}{b} \sim \frac{R_s}{b} \ll 1$

- Bending Angle:

$$\chi = - \frac{\partial \text{Re}(\delta)}{\partial J} \quad \text{with } J = |\vec{p}| b$$

Heavy-mass Effective Field Theory (HEFT)

Damgaard, Haddad, Helset; AB, Chen, Travaglini, Wen

- Classical Limit: set $\hbar \rightarrow 0$, with:
- Couplings: $G \rightarrow G/\hbar$ or $\kappa \rightarrow \kappa/\sqrt{\hbar}$ with $32\pi^2 G = \kappa^2$
Graviton momenta: $q \rightarrow \bar{q}\hbar$, $\ell_i \rightarrow \bar{\ell}_i\hbar$ keeping $\bar{q}, \bar{\ell}_i$ fixed

- Expand massive propagators

$$\frac{1}{(p \pm \ell)^2 - m^2} = \frac{1}{(p \pm \hbar \bar{\ell})^2 - m^2} = \frac{1}{\pm \hbar 2p \cdot \bar{\ell} + i\epsilon} - \frac{\bar{\ell}^2}{(2p \cdot \bar{\ell})^2} + \mathcal{O}(\hbar)$$

- Heavy mass expansion ($\ell/m \ll 1$) is equivalent to \hbar -expansion
Reminiscent of Heavy Quark Effective Theory (Georgi)
- Take classical limit as early as possible \Rightarrow
Heavy-Mass Effective Field Theory (HEFT)

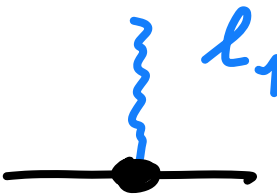
HEFT expansion

- In **Unitarity cuts** we need trees with **2 massive scalars** and n gravitons
 $M_{n+2}(p = mu, \ell_1 \dots \ell_n)$
- Expand in terms of **HEFT amplitudes** and **delta functions!**

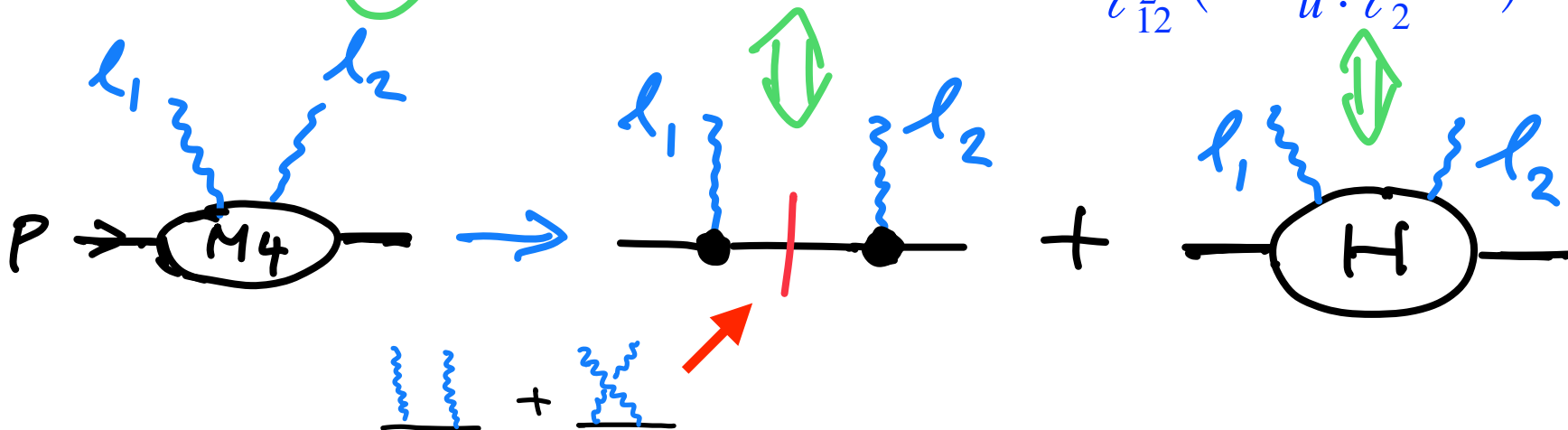
3 points: $M_3 \rightarrow \bar{m}^2 (\bar{u} \cdot \varepsilon_1)^2$



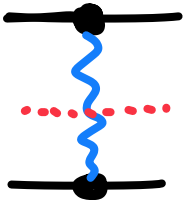
HEFT Amplitudes



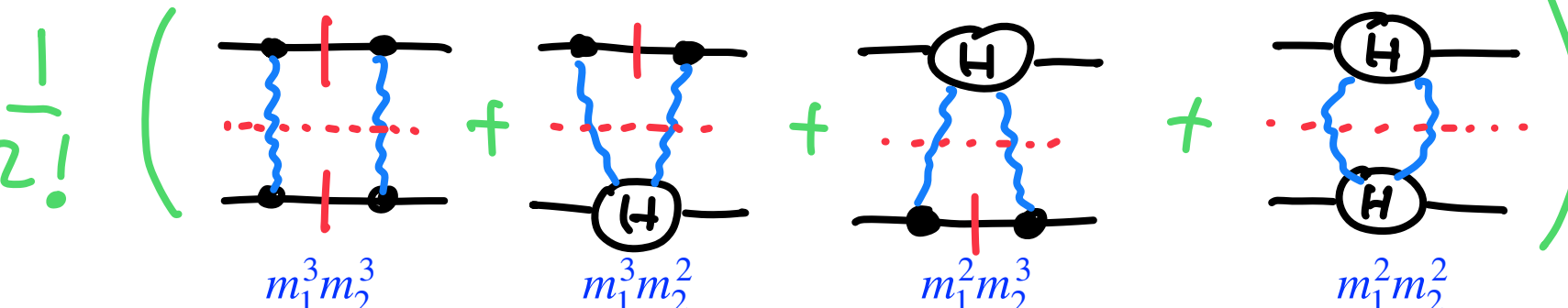
4 points: $M_4 \rightarrow \bar{m}^3 (-i\pi) \delta(\bar{u} \cdot \ell_1) (\bar{u} \cdot \varepsilon_1)^2 (\bar{u} \cdot \varepsilon_2)^2 + \frac{\bar{m}^2}{\ell_{12}^2} \left(\frac{\bar{u} \cdot F_1 \cdot F_2 \cdot \bar{u}}{\bar{u} \cdot \ell_2} \right)^2 + \dots$



HEFT diagram expansion

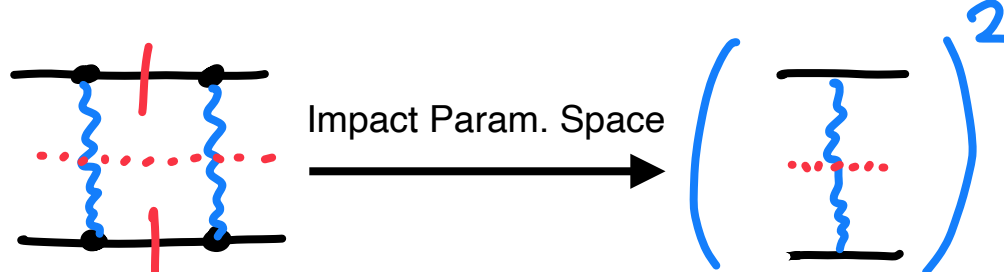
Tree level (1PM):  =
$$-i \frac{16\pi G m_1^2 m_2^2 (2y^2 - 1)}{\hbar^3 \bar{q}^2}, \quad y = u_1 \cdot u_2$$

One loop (2PM):

$\frac{1}{2!}$ 

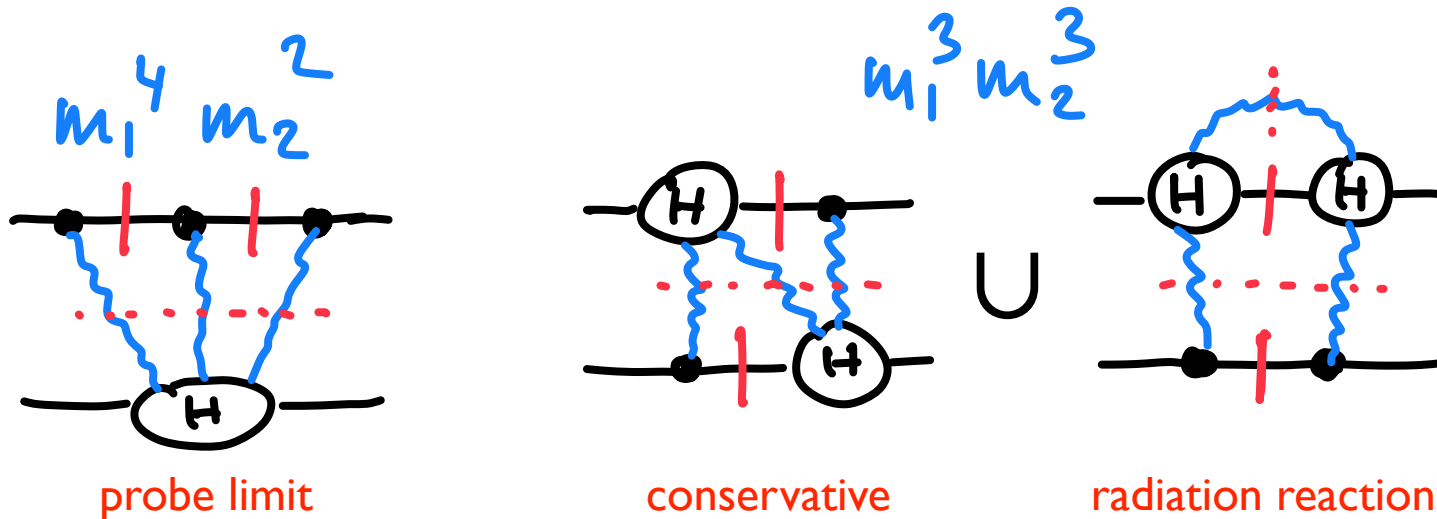
\hbar^{-4} (hyperclassical) \hbar^{-3} (classical) \hbar^{-2} (quantum)

UV-divergent

 $\xrightarrow{\text{Impact Param. Space}}$ $\left(\text{tree-level diagram} \right)^2 = \left(\widetilde{M}_{1PM}(b) \right)^2$

- 2-massive-particle-reducible diagrams factorise in IPS \rightarrow Exponentiation

2 loop (3PM)



- Advantages of HEFT

- \hbar -expansion done at the earliest stage
- HEFT trees very compact, any multiplicity, double copy, Hopf-algebra
- 2-Mass-Particle-Irreducible diagrams!

See also Laurentiu's talk

Scattering angle up to 3PM

$$\chi = -\frac{\partial}{\partial J} \text{Re } \delta_{\text{HEFT}} \quad , \quad J = Pb \quad , \quad y = u_1 \cdot u_2 \quad , \quad s = (p_1 + p_2)^2$$

$$\chi = \frac{G}{J} \frac{2m_1 m_2 (2y^2 - 1)}{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} + \frac{G^2}{J^2} \frac{3\pi}{4\sqrt{s}} m_1^2 m_2^2 (m_1 + m_2) (5y^2 - 1)$$

1PM + 2PM

$$+ \frac{G^3}{J^3} \frac{m_1 m_2 \sqrt{y^2 - 1}}{\pi s} \left\{ m_1^2 m_2^2 (m_1^2 + m_2^2) \frac{2\pi (64y^6 - 120y^4 + 60y^2 - 5)}{3(y^2 - 1)^2} \right.$$

Probe limit

$$+ m_1^3 m_2^3 (-8\pi) \left[\frac{(5y^2 - 8)(1 - 2y^2)^2}{6(y^2 - 1)^{3/2}} - \frac{y(2y^2 - 3)(1 - 2y^2)^2 \text{arccosh}(y)}{2(y^2 - 1)^2} \right.$$

Radiation reaction

$$\left. + \frac{y(55 - 6y^2(6y^4 - 19y^2 + 22))}{6(y^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{(4y^4 - 12y^2 - 3) \text{arccosh}(y)}{\sqrt{y^2 - 1}} \right\}$$

Conservative

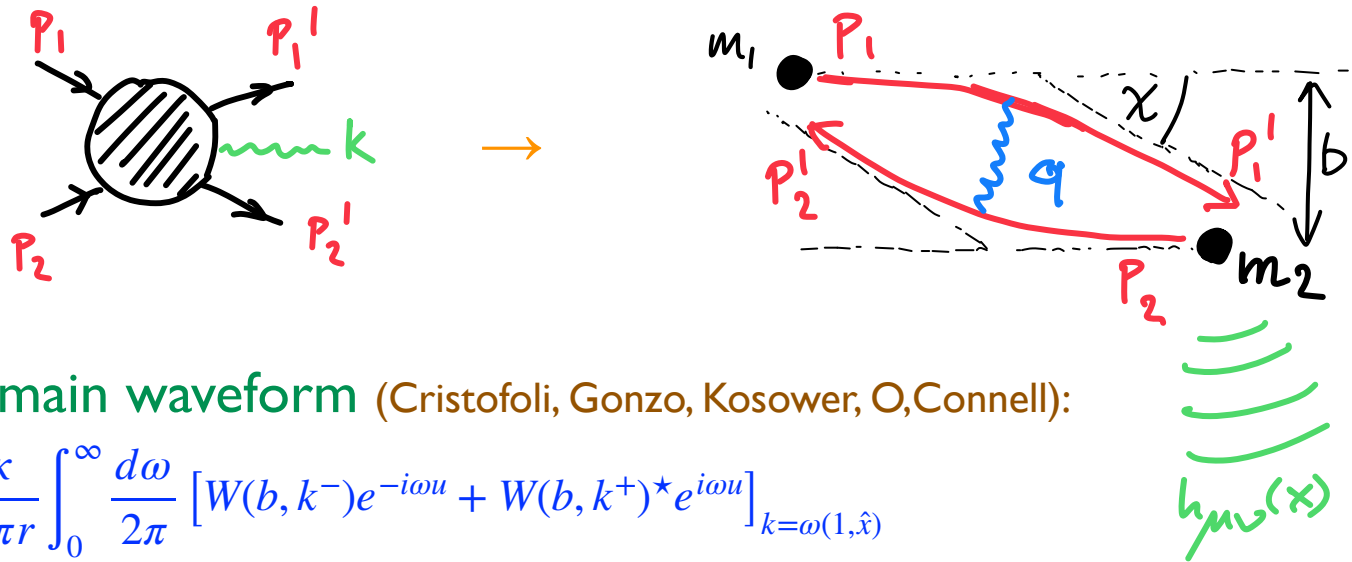
- Agrees with previous 3PM calculations:
- **Conservative:** Bern, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng (2019); Cheung, Solon (2020); Kaelin, Porto
- **Radiation reaction:** Damour...; Di Vecchia, Heissenberg, Russo, Veneziano; Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Plante, Vanhove

Waveform/Radiation

AB, Brown, Chen, De Angelis, Gowdy, Travaglini; Feng, Herderschee, Roiban; Georgoudis, Heissenberg, Russo, Vazquez-Holm, Elkhidir, O'Connell, Sergola, Bini, Damour, Geralico; Blumenbust, Ita, Kraus, Schlenk

- **Key statement:** extract waveforms and other observables like radiated energy (energy loss) from 5-point amplitudes

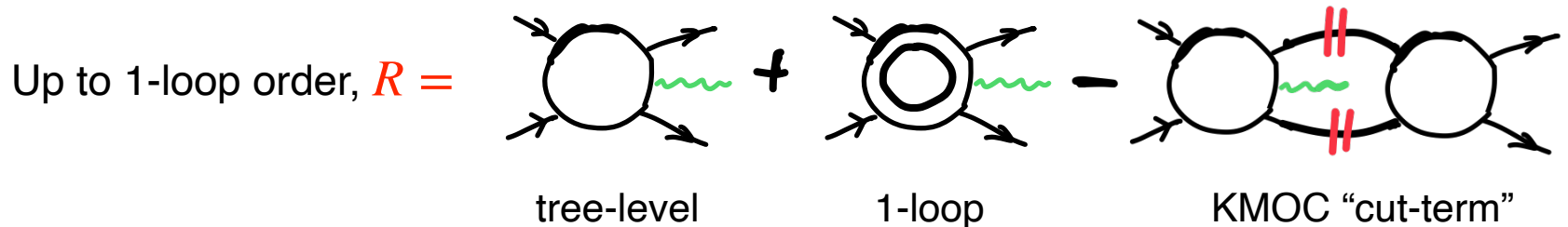
See also Gab's talk



- **Time-domain waveform** (Cristofoli, Gonzo, Kosower, O,Connell):

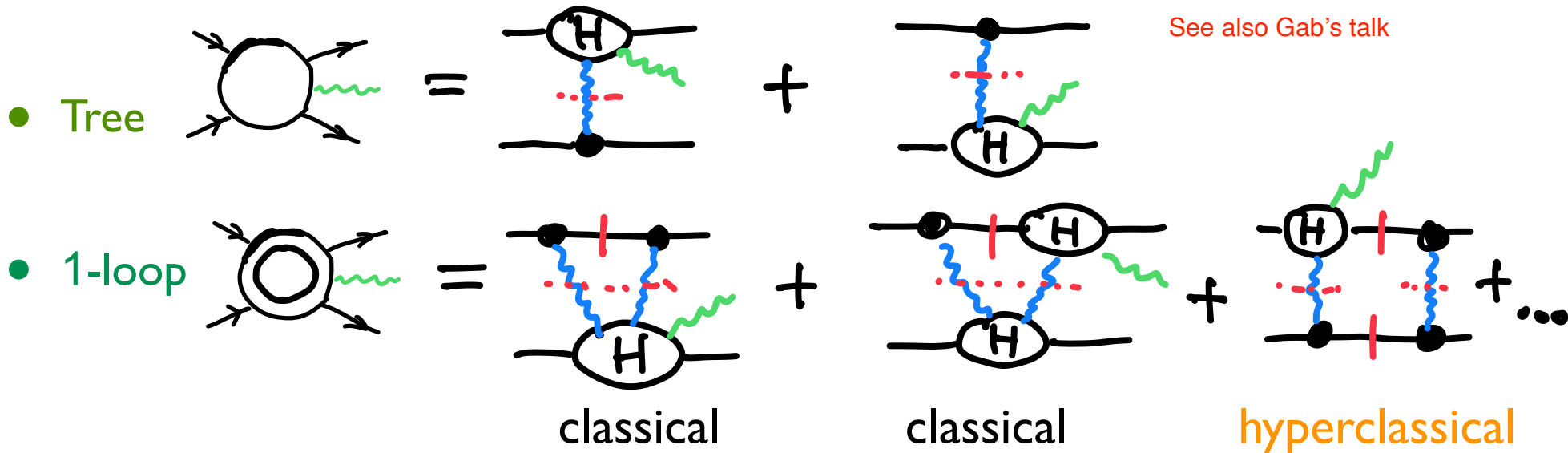
$$h(x) = -\frac{\kappa}{8\pi r} \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} [W(b, k^-) e^{-i\omega u} + W(b, k^+)^* e^{i\omega u}]_{k=\omega(1, \hat{x})}$$

$$W(b, k^h) = -i \int d\mu e^{iq_1 \cdot b_1 + iq_2 \cdot b_2} R, \quad d\mu = \frac{d^4 q_1 d^4 q_2}{(2\pi)^2} \delta^{(4)}(q_1 + q_2 - k) \delta(2p_1 \cdot q_1) \delta(2p_2 \cdot q_2)$$



Radiation from Amplitudes

- Tree and 1-loop amplitudes using HEFT amplitudes



- KMOC “cut-term” cancels hyperclassical diagram and gives a classical piece

- One-loop IR divergence agrees with Weinberg $\sim i \frac{G}{\epsilon} (p_1 \cdot k + p_2 \cdot k) M_5^{tree}$

IR divergence from KMOC cut-term $\sim i \frac{G}{\epsilon} (p_1 \cdot k + p_2 \cdot k) \frac{y(y^2 - \frac{3}{2})}{(y^2 - 1)^{3/2}} M_5^{tree}$

- In time-domain absorb IR-divs in shift of retarded time (Shapiro time-delay)

Conclusions

- HEFT is an efficient tool to compute classical observables in GR
 - Scattering angle and waveform up to 3PM
 - All multiplicity, manifestly gauge invariant HEFT amplitudes
 - Quasi-shuffle Hopf kinematic algebra in HEFT and YM theory
(see talk of Laurentiu)
- Some to-do's:
 - Analytic Waveforms at 1 loop
 - Higher PM orders
 - Spin, tidal effects, higher derivate interactions...