# Matter Quantum Corrections to the Graviton Self-Energy and the Newtonian Potential

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#### Introduction: the graviton mass

- General relativity (GR), as a classical theory, contains a massless spin-2 particle: the graviton.
- Treating GR as a quantum theory, it is not clear that the graviton remains massless.
- Graviton is massless if the graviton self-energy has no longitudinal modes i.e.

$$p_{\mu}\Pi^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(p) = 0$$

- GR with matter interactions is perturbatively non-renormalisable. [t Hooft, Veltman, 1974;
   Deser, van Nieuwenhuizen, 1974; ...]
- We shall use effective field theory approach to gravity. [Donoghue, 1994]

# Theoretical framework: Abelian Higgs model

Study the Abelian Higgs (AH) model in curved spacetime:

$$S = S_G + S_M = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \Big( \Lambda + \frac{1}{\kappa^2} R + \mathcal{L}_M \Big), \quad \kappa^2 = 16\pi G$$

Matter sector:

$$\begin{split} S_M \; = \; \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \bigg[ -\frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\sigma} + g^{\mu\nu} (\nabla_\mu \phi)^\dagger \nabla_\nu \phi - \lambda \left( \phi^\dagger \phi - \frac{\mu^2}{2\lambda} \right)^2 \bigg] \; + \; S_f \; , \\ F_{\mu\nu} \equiv \partial_\mu \mathcal{A}_\nu - \partial_\nu \mathcal{A}_\mu , \quad \phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (v + \mathcal{H} + i \mathcal{G}), \quad \nabla_\mu \phi = \partial_\mu \phi - i e \mathcal{A}_\mu \phi \end{split}$$

Fermion sector:

$$\mathcal{S}_f = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ rac{1}{2} (
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 Within the background field method (BFM), split fields into background and quantum fields:

$$\mathcal{H} = \bar{H} + H^Q, \quad \mathcal{G} = \bar{G} + G^Q, \quad \mathcal{A}_{\mu} = \bar{A}_{\mu} + A^Q_{\mu}$$
  
 $g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa(\bar{h}_{\mu\nu} + h^Q_{\mu\nu}) = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h^Q_{\mu\nu}$ 

- Add gauge fixing terms and ghost actions for diffeomorphism symmetry and U(1) gauge invariance.
- Gauge fixing parameters:  $\xi_D$ ,  $\sigma$  for diffs,  $\xi_G$  for U(1).
- Masses:

$$m_H^2 = 2\lambda v^2$$
  $m_A^2 = e^2 v^2$ ,  $m_G^2 = \xi_G m_A^2$ ,  $m_C^2 = \xi_G m_A^2$ 

# Diffeomorphism symmetry in the BFM

- Invariant under  $x^{\mu} \rightarrow x'^{\mu} = x^{\mu} + \kappa \epsilon^{\mu}(x), \ \epsilon^{\mu} << 1.$
- Field transformations are Lie derivatives with respect to  $\kappa \epsilon^{\mu}(x)$
- In BFM, can distribute the gauge transformations arbitrarily, as long as full field transforms correctly.
- BFM transformations:

$$\begin{split} \bar{H}' &= \bar{H} + \kappa \epsilon^{\alpha} \partial_{\alpha} \bar{H}, & H'^{\mathcal{Q}} &= H^{\mathcal{Q}} + \kappa \epsilon^{\alpha} \partial_{\alpha} H^{\mathcal{Q}}, \\ \bar{G}' &= \bar{G} + \kappa \epsilon^{\alpha} \partial_{\alpha} \bar{G}, & G'^{\mathcal{Q}} &= G^{\mathcal{Q}} + \kappa \epsilon^{\alpha} \partial_{\alpha} G^{\mathcal{Q}} \\ \bar{A}'_{\mu} &= \bar{A}_{\mu} + \kappa \epsilon^{\alpha} \partial_{\alpha} \bar{A}_{\mu} + \kappa (\partial_{\mu} \epsilon^{\alpha}) \bar{A}_{\alpha}, & A'^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mu} &= A^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mu} + \kappa \epsilon^{\alpha} \partial_{\alpha} A^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mu} + \kappa (\partial_{\mu} \epsilon^{\alpha}) A^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\alpha}. \\ \bar{h}'_{\mu\nu} &= \bar{h}_{\mu\nu} + \partial_{\mu} \epsilon_{\nu} + \partial_{\nu} \epsilon_{\mu} + \kappa (\bar{h}^{\alpha}_{\nu} \partial_{\mu} \epsilon_{\alpha} + \bar{h}^{\alpha}_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} \epsilon_{\alpha} + \epsilon_{\alpha} \partial^{\alpha} \bar{h}_{\mu\nu}), \\ h'^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mu\nu} &= h^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mu\nu} + \kappa (h^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\alpha\nu} \partial_{\mu} \epsilon^{\alpha} + h^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\alpha\mu} \partial_{\nu} \epsilon^{\alpha} + \epsilon_{\alpha} \partial^{\alpha} h^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mu\nu}). \end{split}$$

#### **Diffeomorphism symmetry: Master Ward identity**

To quantise the theory, we introduce the generating functional:

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#### **Graviton sector of Ward identity**

Master Ward identity:

$$\begin{split} \left[ \delta^{\alpha}_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} + \kappa \left( \bar{h}^{\alpha}_{\nu} \partial_{\mu} + \partial_{\mu} \bar{h}^{\alpha}_{\nu} + \frac{1}{2} \partial^{\alpha} \bar{h}_{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \frac{\delta \bar{\Gamma}}{\delta \bar{h}_{\mu\nu}(x)} + \kappa \left( \partial^{\alpha} \bar{A}_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu} \bar{A}^{\alpha} - \bar{A}^{\alpha} \partial_{\mu} \right) \frac{\delta \bar{\Gamma}}{\delta \bar{A}_{\mu}} \\ + \kappa \partial^{\alpha} \bar{H} \frac{\delta \bar{\Gamma}}{\delta \bar{H}} + \kappa \partial^{\alpha} \bar{G} \frac{\delta \bar{\Gamma}}{\delta \bar{G}} + \frac{\delta \bar{\Gamma}}{\delta \psi} \kappa \partial^{\alpha} \psi + \kappa \partial^{\alpha} \bar{\psi} \frac{\delta \bar{\Gamma}}{\delta \bar{\psi}} = 0 \; . \end{split}$$

where we have defined the object:

$$\bar{\Gamma}[\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}, \psi, \bar{\psi}, \bar{H}, \bar{G}, \bar{A}_{\mu}] \; \equiv \; \Gamma[\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}, \psi, \bar{\psi}, \bar{H}, \bar{G}, \bar{A}_{\mu}, 0, 0, 0, 0] \; .$$

Setting matter field arguments to zero:

$$\left[\delta^{\alpha}_{\mu}\partial_{\nu} + \kappa \left(\bar{h}^{\alpha}_{\nu}\partial_{\mu} + \partial_{\mu}\bar{h}^{\alpha}_{\nu} + \frac{1}{2}\partial^{\alpha}\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}\right)\right]\frac{\delta\bar{\Gamma}}{\delta\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}(x)} = 0$$

Ward identity:

$$p_{\mu} \left( \mathbf{W} \mathbf{W} \right)^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma} + \frac{\kappa}{2} \left[ \eta^{\nu\rho} p_{\mu} \left( \mathbf{W} \mathbf{W} \right)^{\mu\sigma} + \eta^{\nu\sigma} p_{\mu} \left( \mathbf{W} \mathbf{W} \right)^{\mu\rho} - p^{\nu} \left( \mathbf{W} \mathbf{W} \right)^{\rho\sigma} \right] = 0 \; .$$

#### Minimisation of the effective action

- Minimisation may remove the longitudinal modes from the self-energy.
- In the BFM, we have the generic condition:

$$\left. \frac{\delta \Gamma}{\delta X} \right|_{X=0} = 0, \quad X \in \{h_{\mu\nu}, \psi, \bar{\psi}, H, G, A_{\mu}\}$$

• Writing  $\Gamma = \Gamma^{(0)} + \Gamma^{(n\geq 1)}$ , the graviton equation becomes:

$$\frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta h_{\mu\nu}} = \frac{1}{2}\bar{g}^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{1}{\kappa}\bar{R} + \kappa(\Lambda_0 + \Lambda_0^H)\right) - \frac{1}{\kappa}\bar{R}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\kappa}{2}\bar{T}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{\delta\Gamma^{(n\geq1)}}{\delta h_{\mu\nu}} = 0$$

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- Minimisation depends on the handling of the bare cosmological constant.
- Writing  $\Lambda_0 = \Lambda + \delta \Lambda$ , we impose:

$$\Gamma[0] = \Lambda_0 + \Lambda_0^H + \Gamma^{(n \ge 1)}[0] = \Lambda$$

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#### Minimisation: The cosmological constant

- In dimensional regularisation ['t Hooft, Veltman, 1972], we can calculate  $\Gamma^{(1)}[0]$ .
- The sum

$$\begin{cases} A_{\mu} + \begin{pmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ \end{cases} G + \begin{pmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ \end{cases} C = \frac{3i}{2(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{m_A^2}{2} A_0(m_A^2) - \frac{m_A^4}{12} \right)$$

is independent of the U(1) gauge fixing parameter  $\xi_G$ .

• Here,  $A_0(m^2)$  is the scalar integral

$$A_0(m^2) \equiv (2\pi\mu)^{4-d} \int \frac{d^dk}{i\pi^2} \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} = m^2 \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} + 1 - \ln\left(\frac{m^2}{\mu^2}\right) \right], \quad \frac{1}{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \ln 4\pi$$

• Total cosmological constant counterterm  $\delta\Lambda$  is independent of the gauge fixing parameters  $\xi_G, \xi_D, \sigma$ .

# **Minimisation: Graviton tadpoles**

Define:

$$\frac{\delta\Gamma^{(1)}}{\delta h_{\mu\nu}} = iT_h^{\mu\nu}$$

- Renormalisation of the tadpole graphs proceeds through additive renormalisation of quantum field i.e.  $h_{\mu\nu} \to h_{\mu\nu} + \delta h_{\mu\nu}$ .
- One-loop minimisation becomes:

$$\int d^4 y \left[ \left. \frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta h_{\mu\nu}(x) \delta h_{\rho\sigma}(y)} \right|_{g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu}} \delta h_{\rho\sigma}(y) \right] + \frac{\kappa}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} \delta \Lambda + T_h^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

• Solving for counterterm  $\delta h_{\mu\nu}$ :

$$\delta h_{\rho\sigma}(x) \; = \; -\; \int d^4 y \; \Delta_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}(x-y) \; \left( T_h^{\rho\sigma}(y) \; + \; \frac{\kappa}{2} \eta^{\rho\sigma} \delta \Lambda \right) \; . \label{eq:deltah}$$

#### Minimisation: Graviton tadpoles

Consider gauge sector once more:

- Again, this is independent of  $\xi_G$ . This is in contrast to Higgs tadpole renormalisation, which is gauge *dependent*.
- Try to compute  $\delta h_{\mu\nu}$ :

$$T_h^{\mu\nu} + rac{\kappa}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} \delta \Lambda = rac{3i\kappa}{4(4\pi)^2} \left( rac{m_A^2}{2} A_0(m_A^2) - rac{m_A^4}{12} 
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This occurs for all sectors independently.

#### The graviton low-energy theorem

Consider the Higgs low-energy theorem in its canonical form [Pilaftsis, 1998]:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v}\Gamma = \frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta\bar{H}(0)}$$

Derived from the shift symmetry:

$$v \to v + s, \qquad \bar{H} \to \bar{H} - s,$$

- Relates Higgs tadpole contributions to the v dependence of the cosmological constant.
- Similar symmetry in the gravitational sector:

$$\eta'_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + s_{\mu\nu}, \qquad \bar{h}'_{\mu\nu} = \bar{h}_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{\kappa} s_{\mu\nu}$$

Symmetry gives the shift Ward identity:

$$\kappa \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_{\mu\nu}} \Gamma \; = \; \frac{\delta \Gamma}{\delta \bar{h}_{\mu\nu}(0)}$$

• We call this the **Graviton low-energy theorem** (GLET).

# GLET in action: The graviton self-energy

• Consider the counterterm in the effective action to cancel  $\Gamma^{(n\geq 1)}[0]$ :

$$\Delta S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \,\delta\Lambda \,,$$

The GLET produces the relation

$$T_h^{\mu\nu} + \frac{\kappa}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} \delta \Lambda = 0 !$$

• The renormalised self-energy:

$$\Pi_{\mathbf{R}}^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(p) = \Pi^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(p) - \frac{\kappa^2}{4} P^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \delta\Lambda + \Delta\Pi^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(p)$$

$$P^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = n^{\mu\rho} n^{\nu\sigma} + n^{\mu\rho} n^{\nu\sigma} - n^{\mu\nu} n^{\rho\sigma}$$

Using the GLET, one can show

$$\frac{\kappa}{2} P^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \delta \Lambda = -\eta^{\nu\rho} T_h^{\sigma\mu} - \eta^{\nu\sigma} T_h^{\rho\mu} + \eta^{\mu\nu} T_h^{\rho\sigma}$$

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#### **GLET** in action: The graviton self-energy

- To check these results, we computed the graviton self-energy at the one-loop level.
- Renormalisation proceeds in the  $\overline{MS}$  scheme. [Bardeen et al., 1974]
- As model is Lorentz covariant:

$$\begin{split} \Pi_{R}^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(p) &= p^{\mu}p^{\nu}p^{\rho}p^{\sigma}F_{1}(p^{2}) \,+\, \eta^{\mu\nu}\eta^{\rho\sigma}F_{2}(p^{2}) \,+\, \Big(\eta^{\mu\rho}\eta^{\nu\sigma} \,+\, \eta^{\nu\rho}\eta^{\mu\sigma}\Big)F_{3}(p^{2}) \\ &\quad +\, \Big(\eta^{\mu\nu}p^{\rho}p^{\sigma} \,+\, \eta^{\rho\sigma}p^{\mu}p^{\nu}\Big)F_{4}(p^{2}) \\ &\quad +\, \Big(\eta^{\mu\rho}p^{\nu}p^{\sigma} \,+\, \eta^{\nu\rho}p^{\mu}p^{\sigma} \,+\, \eta^{\mu\sigma}p^{\nu}p^{\rho} \,+\, \eta^{\nu\sigma}p^{\mu}p^{\rho}\Big)F_{5}(p^{2}) \end{split}$$

Ward identity relates these form factors:

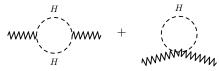
$$p^{2}F_{1} + F_{4} + 2F_{5} = 0,$$
  

$$F_{2} + p^{2}F_{4} = 0,$$
  

$$F_{3} + p^{2}F_{5} = 0.$$

# Higgs contribution to the self-energy

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• We find the form factors:

$$F_{1}(p^{2}) = \frac{\kappa^{2}}{3600(4\pi)^{2}(p^{2})^{2}} \left[ \left( \alpha_{1} + \alpha_{4} \right) B_{0}(p^{2}, m_{H}^{2}, m_{H}^{2}) + \left( \alpha_{2} + \alpha_{5} \right) A_{0}(m_{H}^{2}) + \left( \alpha_{3} + \alpha_{6} \right) \right],$$

$$F_{2}(p^{2}) = \frac{\kappa^{2}}{3600(4\pi)^{2}} \left( \alpha_{1} B_{0}(p^{2}, m_{H}^{2}, m_{H}^{2}) + \alpha_{2} A_{0}(m_{H}^{2}) + \alpha_{3} \right),$$

$$F_{3}(p^{2}) = \frac{\kappa^{2}}{7200(4\pi)^{2}} \left( \alpha_{4} B_{0}(p^{2}, m_{H}^{2}, m_{H}^{2}) + \alpha_{5} A_{0}(m_{H}^{2}) + \alpha_{6} \right),$$

$$C_{4} = \frac{\kappa^{2}}{3600(4\pi)^{2}} \left( \alpha_{1} B_{0}(p^{2}, m_{H}^{2}, m_{H}^{2}) + \alpha_{2} A_{0}(m_{H}^{2}) + \alpha_{6} \right),$$

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#### The self-energy for the Abelian Higgs model

•  $B_0(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2)$  is the 2-point scalar integral:

$$\begin{split} B_0(p^2,m_1^2,m_2^2) \; &\equiv \; (2\pi\mu)^{4-d} \, \int \frac{d^dk}{i\pi^2} \, \frac{1}{k^2-m_1^2} \, \frac{1}{(k+p)^2-m_2^2} \\ &= \; \frac{1}{\bar{\epsilon}} \, + \, 2 \, - \, \ln \left( \frac{m_1 m_2}{\mu^2} \right) \\ &+ \, \frac{1}{p^2} \left[ \, (m_2^2-m_1^2) \, \ln \left( \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right) \, + \, \lambda^{1/2}(p^2,m_1^2,m_2^2) \, \cosh^{-1} \left( \frac{m_1^2+m_2^2-p^2}{2m_1 m_2} \right) \, \right] \end{split}$$

Total self-energy:

$$\Pi_{\rm R}^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(p) \; = \; \sum_{i=1}^{N_0} \Pi_0^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(p,m_{0,i}) \; + \; \sum_{i=1}^{N_{1/2}} \Pi_{1/2}^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(p,m_{\frac{1}{2},i}) \; + \; \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} \Pi_1^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(p,m_{1,i}) \; ,$$

• Each sector independently satisfies the Ward identity and the GLET.

#### Applying quantum corrections: The Newtonian potential

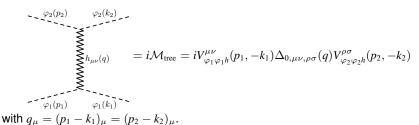
- Newtonian potential is derivable from single graviton exchange between two scalar fields.
- It can be quantum corrected through radiative corrections to this process.
- Massless matter corrections already well established [Hamber, Liu, 1995; Donoghue et al., 2003; ...].

$$V(r) = -\frac{Gm_1m_2}{r} \left[ 1 + 3\frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{rc^2} + \frac{41\hbar G}{10\pi c^3 r^2} + \left( \frac{9}{4}N_0 + 3N_{\frac{1}{2}} + 12N_1 \right) \frac{\hbar G}{45\pi c^3 r^2} + O(\hbar^2) \right]$$

• How do massive matter fields contribute?

#### **Obtaining the Newtonian potential**

• Single graviton exchange between two scalar fields  $\varphi_1$ ,  $\varphi_2$  of masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ :



Ward identity for scalar vertices:

$$(p_1-k_1)_\mu V^{\mu\nu}_{\varphi_1\varphi_1h}(p_1,-k_1) = 0 , \qquad (p_2-k_2)_\mu V^{\mu\nu}_{\varphi_2\varphi_2h}(p_2,-k_2) = 0 ,$$

Graviton propagator:

$$\begin{split} \Delta_{0,\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(q) &= \frac{1}{q^2 + i\epsilon} \Bigg[ P^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - \bigg( 4(1 + \xi_D) + \frac{8}{\sigma - 1} + \frac{3 - \xi_D}{(\sigma - 1)^2} \bigg) \frac{q^\mu q^\nu q^\rho q^\sigma}{(q^2)^2} \\ &\quad + \bigg( 2 + \frac{1}{\sigma - 1} \bigg) \bigg( \frac{q^\mu q^\nu}{q^2} \eta^{\rho\sigma} + \frac{q^\rho q^\sigma}{q^2} \eta^{\mu\nu} \bigg) \\ &\quad + (\xi_D - 1) \bigg( \frac{q^\mu q^\rho}{q^2} \eta^{\nu\sigma} + \frac{q^\mu q^\sigma}{q^2} \eta^{\nu\rho} + \frac{q^\nu q^\rho}{q^2} \eta^{\mu\sigma} + \frac{q^\nu q^\sigma}{q^2} \eta^{\mu\rho} \bigg) \Bigg] \;, \end{split}$$

#### **Obtaining the Newtonian potential**

Non-relativistic limit:

$$\mathcal{M}_{ ext{tree}}(ec{q}) = -rac{\kappa^2 m_1^2 m_2^2}{|ec{q}|^2}$$

Convert this to a potential by using the Born approximation [Donoghue et al., 2003]:

$$V(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{2m_1} \frac{1}{2m_2} \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} \mathcal{M}_{\text{tree}}(\vec{q}) .$$

Using the well-known result

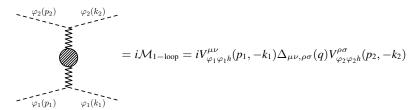
$$\int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} \frac{1}{|\vec{q}|^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi r} ,$$

we obtain:

$$V(r) = -\frac{Gm_1m_2}{r}$$

#### **Newtonian potential: Matter quantum corrections**

Matter quantum corrections:



• The resummed propagator:

$$\Delta_{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma} = \Delta_{0\,\mu\nu,\rho\sigma} - \Delta_{0\,\mu\nu,\alpha\beta} \Pi_R^{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta} \Delta_{0\,\gamma\delta,\rho\sigma} + \Delta_{0\,\mu\nu,\alpha\beta} \Pi_R^{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta} \Delta_{0\,\gamma\delta,\lambda\kappa} \Pi_R^{\lambda\kappa,\epsilon\zeta} \Delta_{0\,\epsilon\zeta,\rho\sigma} + \cdots$$

Ward identity:

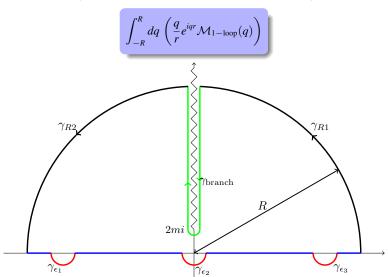
$$q_{\mu}\Pi_{R}^{\mu\nu,\rho\sigma}(q) = 0$$

Non-relativistic limit:

$$\mathcal{M}_{1-\text{loop}}(\vec{q}) = -\kappa^2 m_1^2 m_2^2 \left[ \frac{4}{3} \left( \frac{1}{|\vec{q}|^2 + 4F_3(-|\vec{q}|^2)} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{1}{3F_2(-|\vec{q}|^2) + 2F_3(-|\vec{q}|^2) - |\vec{q}|^2} \right) \right]$$

#### **Newtonian potential: Matter quantum corrections**

Convert q to complex variable and evaluate as a contour integral.



#### **Newtonian potential: Matter quantum corrections**

Quantum corrected Newtonian potential:

$$V(r) = -\frac{Gm_1m_2}{r} \left( \alpha + \Delta V(r) \right)$$

Newtonian potential is scaled by

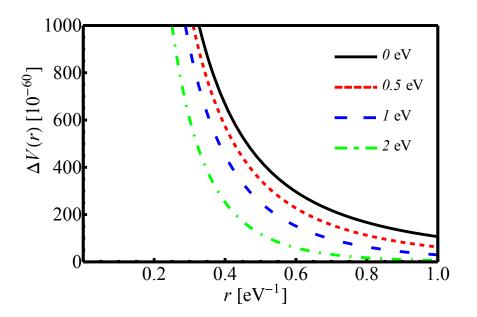
$$\alpha = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \frac{4}{3} \left( 1 - 4 \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \right)^{-1} - \frac{1}{3} \left( 1 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i + 3 \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i \right)^{-1} \right],$$

$$a_i = \frac{\partial F_{2,i}(q^2)}{\partial q^2} \Big|_{q^2 = 0}, \qquad b_i = \frac{\partial F_{3,i}(q^2)}{\partial q^2} \Big|_{q^2 = 0}.$$

The modification for a massive scalar field (r

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$$\Delta V_H(r) = -\frac{Gm_H^2}{360\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \pi \left( 7\hat{r}_H^2 - 45 \right) \hat{r}_H^2 \left( \mathbf{L}_{-1}(\hat{r}_H) K_0(\hat{r}_H) + \mathbf{L}_0(\hat{r}_H) K_1(\hat{r}_H) \right) - \frac{7\pi \hat{r}_H^3}{2} + \frac{45\pi \hat{r}_H}{2} + \frac{45\pi \hat{r}_H}{2} + 7\hat{r}_H^3 K_1(\hat{r}_H) - 7\hat{r}_H^2 K_0(\hat{r}_H) - 38\hat{r}_H K_1(\hat{r}_H) + 60K_0(\hat{r}_H) - 36K_2(\hat{r}_H) \right].$$



#### **Summary**

- Diffeomorphism invariance alone doesn't guarantee that the graviton is massless.
- Graviton mass is only zero after minimisation, renormalisation of the cosmological constant and through the graviton low-energy theorem.
- Shown this explicitly by calculating the graviton self-energy at the one-loop level and showing that it is transverse.
- Used the same work to produce corrections to the Newtonian potential.
- Newtonian potential is rescaled by a factor dependent on the masses of the matter fields of the model.
- Correction to Newtonian potential exhibits an exponential fall-off dependence on the distance r.