

High Loop Higher-Spin Frontier

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Why do Precision Gravity?

- Sure, there is real-world data:
High demand on **accurate theoretical** gravitational waveform templates, and all the compelling motives you heard today...
- In all honesty, driven by pure science:
 - How well can **perturbative** gravity theory capture **strong** gravity?
 - How can **classical** theory inform us about the **quantum** one, when we thought we know all there is about the former?
 - How can we draw parallels between **gauge theories** and **gravity**, to better our fundamental understanding of them?
- With a field theory mindset **all of these Qs can be & are addressed**, while doing **post-Newtonian (PN) Gravity**, $v \ll 1 \rightarrow$

$nPN \equiv v^{2n}$ correction in classical gravity to Newtonian gravity
- It so happens that **PN gravity is the basis for theoretical waveforms...**

State of the Art in PN Gravity

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S^4	3	5			

- Each (n,l) entry at PN order: $n + l + \text{Parity}(l)/2$
- $l=0$ is the non-spinning sector:
 - $n=0$ 1687 Newton (he had no friends)
 - $n=1$ 1938 Einstein et al.
 - $n=2$ 1973-4 Ohta et al.
 - $n=3$ 1998-2001 Jaranowski, Schafer, Blanchet, Damour...
 - $n=4$ 2012-2019 Foffa et al., Jaranowski, Schafer, Damour, Blanchet et al...
 - $n=5$ 2019- Foffa et al., Blumlein et al., Bini et al...
 - $n=6$ 2020- Bini et al...

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- $l=2$: $L_{S^2} \simeq L_{S_1^2} + L_{S_1 S_2}$; $l=4$ $L_{S^4} \simeq L_{S_1^4} + L_{S_1^3 S_2} + L_{S_1^2 S_2^2}$
- $n=0$ is tree level: $l=1$ 1959 Tulczyjew, $l=2$ 1975 Barker & O'Connell, $l=3,4,\dots$ 2014-5 **ML** & Steinhoff...
- Measure for loop computational scale: number of n -loop graphs at $N^n LO$
- To push precision frontier consistently - push across diagonals!

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- Gray area corresponds to where we can no longer take $p^\mu \simeq \frac{m}{u} u^\mu$, but have to take into account corrections from non-minimal coupling part of spinning particle action. What happens then?

- Gray area also corresponds to gravitational Compton scattering with $s \geq 3/2$ as classical S^l corresponds to quantum $s = l/2$



- Can we get insight on the graviton Compton amplitude with $s \geq 5/2$?

Why is Spin so Challenging?

- Relativistic spin has a minimal finite measure S/M , and this clashes with the EFT/point-particle viewpoint.
- There is no unique 'center' for the spin in relativistic physics. This puzzling issue appears already at the LO PN spin correction.
- Accelerations already show up in the LO spin-orbit potential. Dealing with higher-order time derivative terms adds complexity.
- Spin is derivatively-coupled:
 - All related computations/integrands carry heavier tensorial load.
 - More time derivatives giving rise to higher-order time derivative terms.
- Requires to deal with Levi-Civita in d dimensions.

Some Amplitudes groups joined efforts on classical spin:

Guevara et al. 2017-9, Chung et al. 2018-20, Damgaard et al. 2019, Aoude et al. 2020, Bern et al. 2020,...

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Flash across some new results:

- N^3LO spin-orbit sector, **ML**, Mcleod, von Hippel, arXiv:2003.02827
- N^3LO quadratic-in-spin sector, **ML**, Mcleod, von Hippel, arXiv:2003.07890
- NLO cubic-in-spin sector, **ML**, Mouggiakakos, Vieira, arXiv:1912.06276
- NLO quartic-in-spin sector, **ML**, Teng, arXiv:2005.xxxxx

EFT of Gravitating Spinning Particles

[Goldberger & Rothstein 2004, Porto 2005, ML & Steinhoff 2015]

$$S_{\text{eff}} = S_g[g_{\mu\nu}] + \sum_{a=1}^2 S_{\text{pp}}(\lambda_a),$$

$$S_g[g_{\mu\nu}] = -\frac{1}{16\pi G_d} \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} R + \frac{1}{32\pi G_d} \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} g_{\mu\nu} \Gamma^\mu \Gamma^\nu,$$

$$G_d \equiv G_N \left(\sqrt{4\pi e^\gamma} R_0 \right)^{d-3},$$

To facilitate computations in PN context: [Kol & Smolkin 2008]

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu \equiv e^{2\phi} (dt - A_i dx^i)^2 - e^{-2c_d \phi} \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j, \quad c_d \equiv \frac{2(d-1)}{(d-2)}$$

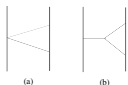
$$\langle \phi(x_1) \phi(x_2) \rangle = \frac{16\pi G_d}{c_d} \cdot \delta(t_1 - t_2) \int_{\vec{k}} \frac{e^{i\vec{k} \cdot (\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2)}}{k^2},$$

$$\langle A_i(x_1) A_j(x_2) \rangle = -16\pi G_d \cdot \delta(t_1 - t_2) \int_{\vec{k}} \frac{e^{i\vec{k} \cdot (\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2)}}{k^2} \delta_{ij}.$$

Graph Topologies in Conservative Sector



Single topology at $O(G)$:
One-graviton exchange.

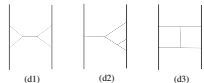
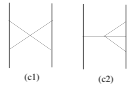
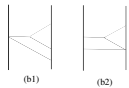
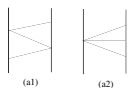


Topologies at $O(G^2)$:

- (a) Two-graviton exchange;
(b) Cubic self-interaction
 \equiv One-loop topology.

$$\int_{\vec{p}_1} \frac{e^{i\vec{p}_1 \cdot (\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2)}}{\vec{p}_1^2} \int_{\vec{p}_2} \frac{e^{i\vec{p}_2 \cdot (\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2)}}{\vec{p}_2^2},$$

$$p_1 + p_2 \rightarrow p, \quad p_2 \rightarrow k_1,$$



Topologies at $O(G^3)$

$$\rightarrow \int_{\vec{p}} e^{i\vec{p} \cdot (\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2)} \int_{\vec{k}_1} \frac{1}{\vec{k}_1^2 (\vec{p} - \vec{k}_1)^2}$$

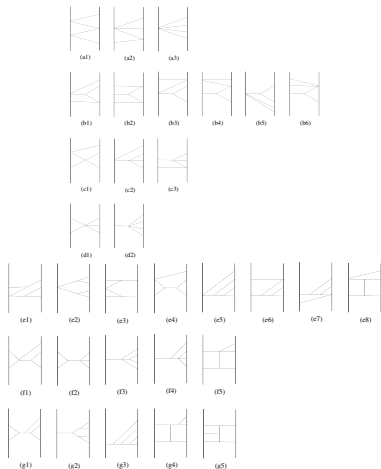


[Kol & Shir 2013]

Standard multi-loop:
 n -loop master integrals
and IBPs

Graph Topologies in Conservative Sector

[ML McLeod von Hippel 2020]



Topologies at $O(G^4)$

At G^n the loop order n_L

$$n_L \equiv 2n - \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} m_i$$

with m_i gravitons
on insertion i

We define a topology at order G^{n+1} to be of rank r , when r of the basic n -loop integral types are required in order to express its n -loop integral form.

Integration and Scalability

[ML Mcleod von Hippel 2020]

- Building on the publicly-available EFTofPNG code, **ML** & Steinhoff 2017, <https://github.com/miche-levi/pncbc-eftofpng>
- Generation of rules and contractions/graphs in FeynRul, FeynGen modules
- E.g., in spin-orbit sector 388 graphs; 93 are higher-rank=require reduction
- Higher-rank graphs are reduced using IBP method
- Significant upgrade to NLoop and Main modules of EFTofPNG
- Main techniques: projection method for integrand numerators as high as rank-8, and variations on Laporta's algorithm
- Altogether the code runs over ~ 2 days
- The upgrade of EFTofPNG will be made publicly available too

Special Features

[ML Mcleod von Hippel 2020]

Zeros

Apart from sporadic vanishing graphs, there are 2 topologies which generically yield zeros. These result from nested factorizable topologies,

$$\text{Fig. (c1),(e4)} \propto \zeta(2)[\Gamma(-\epsilon)]^{-1} \sim \zeta(2)\epsilon + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2), \quad \epsilon \equiv d - 3, \quad \zeta(2) = \pi^2/6$$

The leading factorizable topologies stand for purely short-distance contributions, which are contact interaction terms of the form $\delta(\vec{r})$

Riemann Zeta Values

These uniquely arise from 3-rank topologies which contain the previous - nested factorizable - integral type, and since the IBP relations entail $\sim \epsilon^{-1}$ coefficients, the $\zeta(2)$ factors are uncovered

Simple poles and Logarithms

Most 3-loop graphs yield simple poles in conjunction with logarithms, from the factor $\Gamma(\epsilon)(r/R_0)^{-4\epsilon}$. These drop from observable quantities.

Extending Non-Minimal Couplings with Spin

Leading non-minimal couplings to all orders in spin

[ML & Steinhoff 2015]

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

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

Extending beyond linear in curvature

[ML Mcleod von Hippel 2020]

$$L_{\text{NMC}(R^2)} = C_{E^2} \frac{E_{\alpha\beta} E^{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{u^2}^3} + C_{B^2} \frac{B_{\alpha\beta} B^{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{u^2}^3} + \dots$$

$$+ C_{E^2 S^2} S^\mu S^\nu \frac{E_{\mu\alpha} E_\nu^\alpha}{\sqrt{u^2}^3} + C_{B^2 S^2} S^\mu S^\nu \frac{B_{\mu\alpha} B_\nu^\alpha}{\sqrt{u^2}^3}$$

$$+ C_{\nabla EBS} S^\mu \frac{D_\mu E_{\alpha\beta} B^{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{u^2}^3} + C_{E\nabla BS} S^\mu \frac{E_{\alpha\beta} D_\mu B^{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{u^2}^3}$$

$$+ C_{(\nabla E)^2 S^2} S^\mu S^\nu \frac{D_\mu E_{\alpha\beta} D_\nu E^{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{u^2}^3} + C_{(\nabla B)^2 S^2} S^\mu S^\nu \frac{D_\mu B_{\alpha\beta} D_\nu B^{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{u^2}^3} + \dots$$

N³LO Gravitational Quadratic-in-Spin Action at G⁴

[ML McLeod von Hippel 2020]

$$L_{S^2}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} = L_{S_1 S_2}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} + L_{S_1^2}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} + L_{C_{1ES^2} S_1^2}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2),$$

$$L_{S_1 S_2}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} = -\frac{G^4}{r^6} \frac{1}{m_1 m_2} \left[\vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_2 \left(5 m_1^4 m_2 + 63 m_1^3 m_2^2 \right) - \vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{n} \vec{S}_2 \cdot \vec{n} \left(25 m_1^4 m_2 + 300 m_1^3 m_2^2 \right) \right],$$

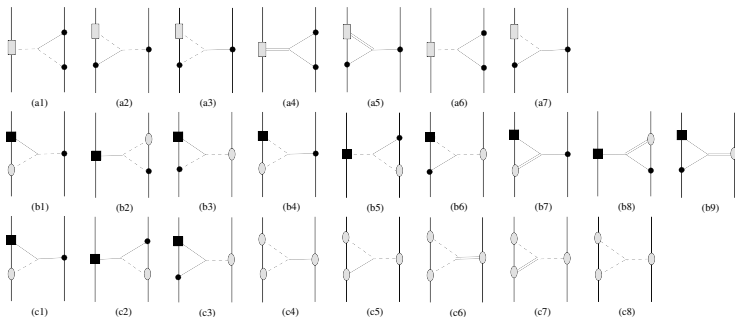
$$L_{S_1^2}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} = \frac{G^4}{r^6} \frac{1}{m_1^2} \left[S_1^2 \left(\frac{1}{14} m_1^4 m_2 - \frac{73}{70} m_1^3 m_2^2 - m_1^2 m_2^3 \right) + (\vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{n})^2 \left(\frac{23}{7} m_1^4 m_2 + \frac{2851}{70} m_1^3 m_2^2 + 31 m_1^2 m_2^3 \right) \right],$$

$$L_{C_{1ES^2} S_1^2}^{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} = -\frac{G^4}{r^6} \frac{C_{1ES^2}}{m_1^2} \left(S_1^2 - 3(\vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{n})^2 \right) \left(\frac{23}{28} m_1^4 m_2 + \frac{341}{14} m_1^3 m_2^2 + 57 m_1^2 m_2^3 + 9 m_1 m_2^4 \right).$$

NLO Cubic-in-Spin Sector

ML Mougiakakos Vieira 2019

One-loop Feynman graphs



- Graphs include all relevant interactions among the spin-induced quadrupole, octupole, and the mass and spin
- There are nonlinearities originating strictly from minimal coupling
- Cubic vertices with time derivatives, similar to NLO (odd P) spin-orbit sector

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New Feature: Extra one- and two-graviton exchange

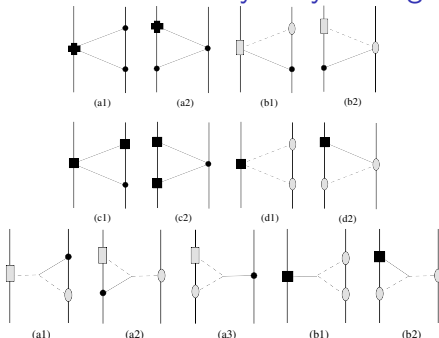


- $p_\mu = \frac{m}{u} u_\mu + \Delta p_\mu (RS^2) \Rightarrow L_{S^3}$
- New type of worldline-graviton couplings to “composite” octupole expressed in terms of “elementary” spin multipoles

NLO Quartic-in-Spin Sector

ML & Teng, arXiv:2005.xxxxx

Non-linear “elementary” Feynman graphs



- Though the “elementary” graphs in this sector are fewer and simpler, the situation gets quite complicated in terms of new contributions
- More types of worldline-graviton couplings to “composite” hexadecapole in terms of “elementary” spin multipoles, incl. product of Wilson coefficients
- Relevant operators quadratic in the curvature

Field Theory for Gravity at All Scales

ML, Rept. Prog. Phys. 2019

ML, Mougiasakos, Vieira, arXiv:1912.06276

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- Real-world scalability:
 - Precision frontier with spins pushed to 4.5 & 5PN orders
 - EFT of gravitating spinning objects - self-contained framework
 - Continuous development of public computational tools

- Higher-spin extension:
 - New features in NLO higher-spin sectors resonate with picture of composite (rather than elementary) particles at higher quantum spins
 - Going into the “gray area” becomes extremely intricate also classically
 - Possible insight for graviton Compton amplitude with higher spins
 - Can amplitudes approaches capture such classical effects?

Thank You & See You All in Real-Life in Amplitudes 2021!



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