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Precision Gravity from EFT

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+ in progress with A. Ross, I. Rothstein

In this talk, I'll consider astrophysical black holes (and other compact objects) interacting with **long wavelength** gravitational fields (e.g. field produced by other BH in orbit).

Such systems have a natural formulation in terms of effective field theories (EFTs). They are also relevant for experiments in gravitational wave detection, e.g. LIGO and LISA.

Main Motivation

An interesting class of signals for gravitational wave detectors (eg, LIGO/LISA) consists of radiation induced inspiral of compact binary systems (BH or NS constituents). Why?

1. Such systems are strong emitters of gravitational radiation:

$$h \sim \frac{1}{R} G_N E_{int} \sim 10^{-19} \frac{1}{R(\text{Mpc})} \frac{m}{m_\odot}$$

giving values in the LIGO range $h = \Delta L/L \sim 10^{-21} - 10^{-22}$
for, eg, solar mass NS/NS at $R \sim 3000\text{Mpc}$

2. Many expected inspiral events per year for upgraded LIGO:

	NS/NS	NS/BH	BH/BH in field	BH/BH in clusters
$\mathcal{R}_{gal}, \text{yr}^{-1}$	$10^{-6} - 5 \times 10^{-4}$	$\lesssim 10^{-7} - 10^{-4}$	$\lesssim 10^{-7} - 10^{-5}$	$\sim 10^{-6} - 10^{-5}$
D_I	20 Mpc	43 Mpc	100	100
$\mathcal{R}_I, \text{yr}^{-1}$	$3 \times 10^{-4} - 0.3$	$\lesssim 4 \times 10^{-4} - 0.6$	$\lesssim 4 \times 10^{-3} - 0.6$	$\sim 0.04 - 0.6$
D_{WB}	300 Mpc	650 Mpc	$z = 0.4$	$z = 0.4$
$\mathcal{R}_{WB}, \text{yr}^{-1}$	1 - 800	$\lesssim 1 - 1500$	$\lesssim 30 - 4000$	$\sim 300 - 4000$

3. Signal is long duration: For binary in close but non-relativistic orbit, can use virial thm. to get estimate of orbital dynamics:

$$v^2 \sim \frac{G_M m}{r} \equiv \frac{r_s}{2r}$$

e.g LIGO can detect signals in a frequency band $10 \text{ Hz} < \nu < 1 \text{ kHz}$. This correspond to orbital parameters

$$r(10 \text{ Hz}) \sim 300 \text{ km} \left(\frac{m}{m_\odot} \right)^{1/3} \rightarrow r(1 \text{ kHz}) \sim 14 \text{ km} \left(\frac{m}{m_\odot} \right)^{1/3}$$

(for comparison, $r_s \sim 1 \text{ km}$ for $m \sim m_\odot$)

$$v(10 \text{ Hz}) \sim 0.06 \left(\frac{m}{m_\odot} \right)^{1/3} \rightarrow v(1 \text{ kHz}) \sim 0.3 \left(\frac{m}{m_\odot} \right)^{1/3}$$

note: $m_{NS} \sim m_\odot, m_{BH} \sim 10m_\odot$.

In this regime, the energy loss of the binary to GW's is approx. given by the quadrupole rad. formula:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(-\frac{1}{2}mv^2 \right) = -\frac{32}{5}G_N^{-1}v^{10}$$

Solving this gives:

$$\Delta t \sim \frac{5}{512} \left(\frac{1}{v_i^8} - \frac{1}{v_f^8} \right) \sim 5 \text{ min.} \left(\frac{m}{m_\odot} \right)^{-8/3}$$

for the duration of the inspiral event in the LIGO band, and

$$N \sim \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \omega(t) dt = \frac{1}{32} \left(\frac{1}{v_i^5} - \frac{1}{v_f^5} \right) \sim 4 \times 10^4 \left(\frac{m}{m_\odot} \right)^{-5/3} \text{ radians}$$

for the number of orbital cycles spent in the detector band.

Long integration times \Rightarrow waveform is highly sensitive to small relativistic effects. LIGO is sensitive to at least $(v/c)^6$ corrections beyond Newtonian gravity for binary dynamics (more for BH/BH). (Cutler et. al. astro-ph/9208005)

Thus, by comparing LIGO measurement and theoretical prediction for waveforms, one can hope to obtain:

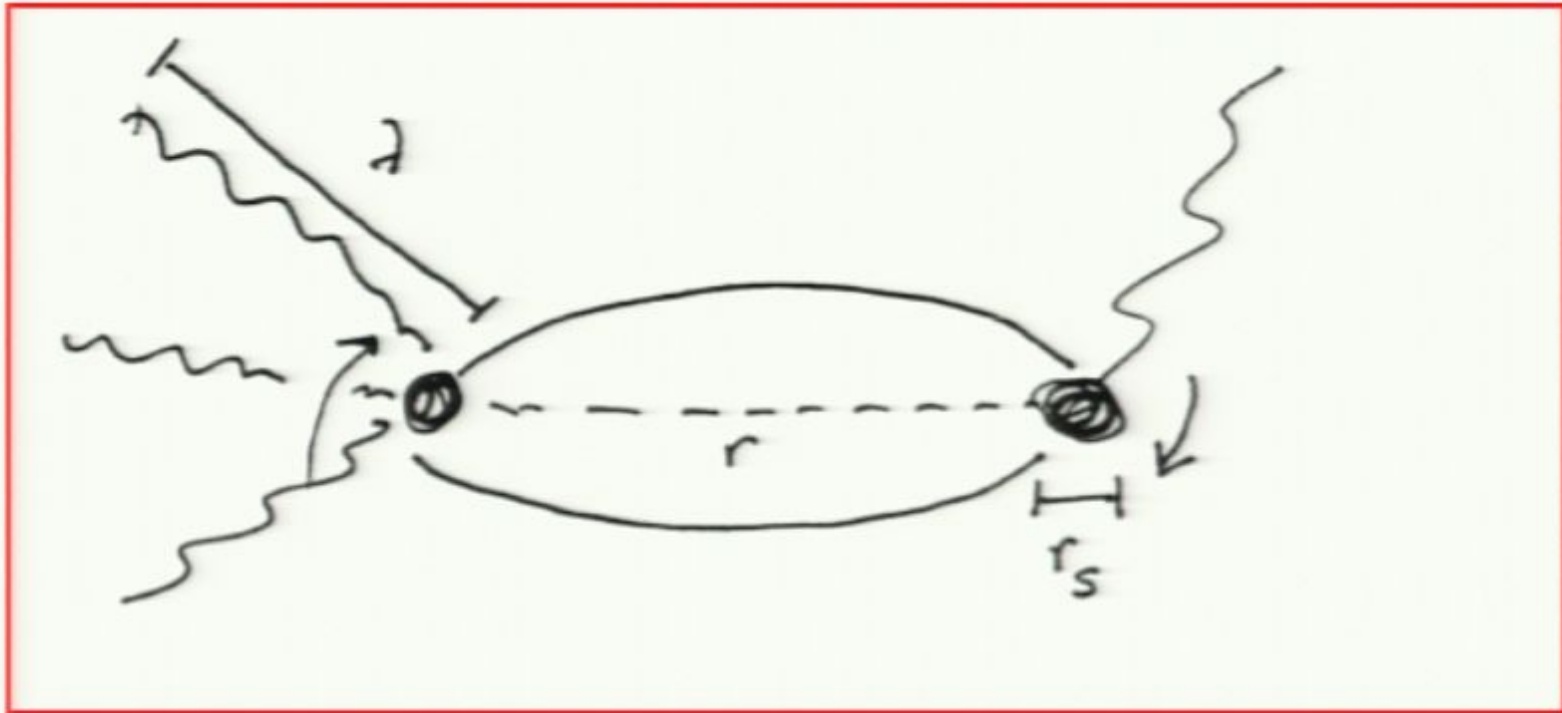
1. Accurate measurements of masses, spins, distances for compact binaries out to $R \sim 1000\text{Mpc}$.
2. Stringent tests of (classical) General Relativity.
3. Structure of black holes or neutron stars? (eg., dynamics of BH horizons?)

(note: For LISA, binary inspirals follow exactly the same dynamics. LISA band is $10^{-5}\text{ Hz} < \nu < 1\text{ Hz}$ so typical sources have much larger mass. For LISA, one has:

BH/BH: $m_{BH} \sim 10^{5-8} m_{\odot}$

BH/NS: $m_{BH} \sim 10^{5-7} m_{\odot}$)

Non-relativistic binary problem is also interesting from the point of view of field theory, as it is a problem with many different length scales. E.g, for binary BH:



r_s = Black hole radius r = Orbital radius

λ = Wavelength of grav. radiation

scales are correlated: $r \sim r_s/v^2$ (virial thm.) $\lambda \sim r/v$

$v \ll 1$ Typical three-velocity

Because scales are correlated, a single expansion parameter controls qualitatively different physical effects....

This has been a source of problems for traditional “Post-Newtonian” methods of computing binary inspiral observables over the last ~30 years (Damour-Blanchet et. al; Will et. al). The expansion is plagued with e.g.:

Ultraviolet divergences, due to the use of singular (delta fn.) pt particle sources in $T_{\mu\nu}$

“Ambiguities” in the calculation of certain terms in the GW observables at order v^6 in the expansion (Blanchet, Damour et. al).

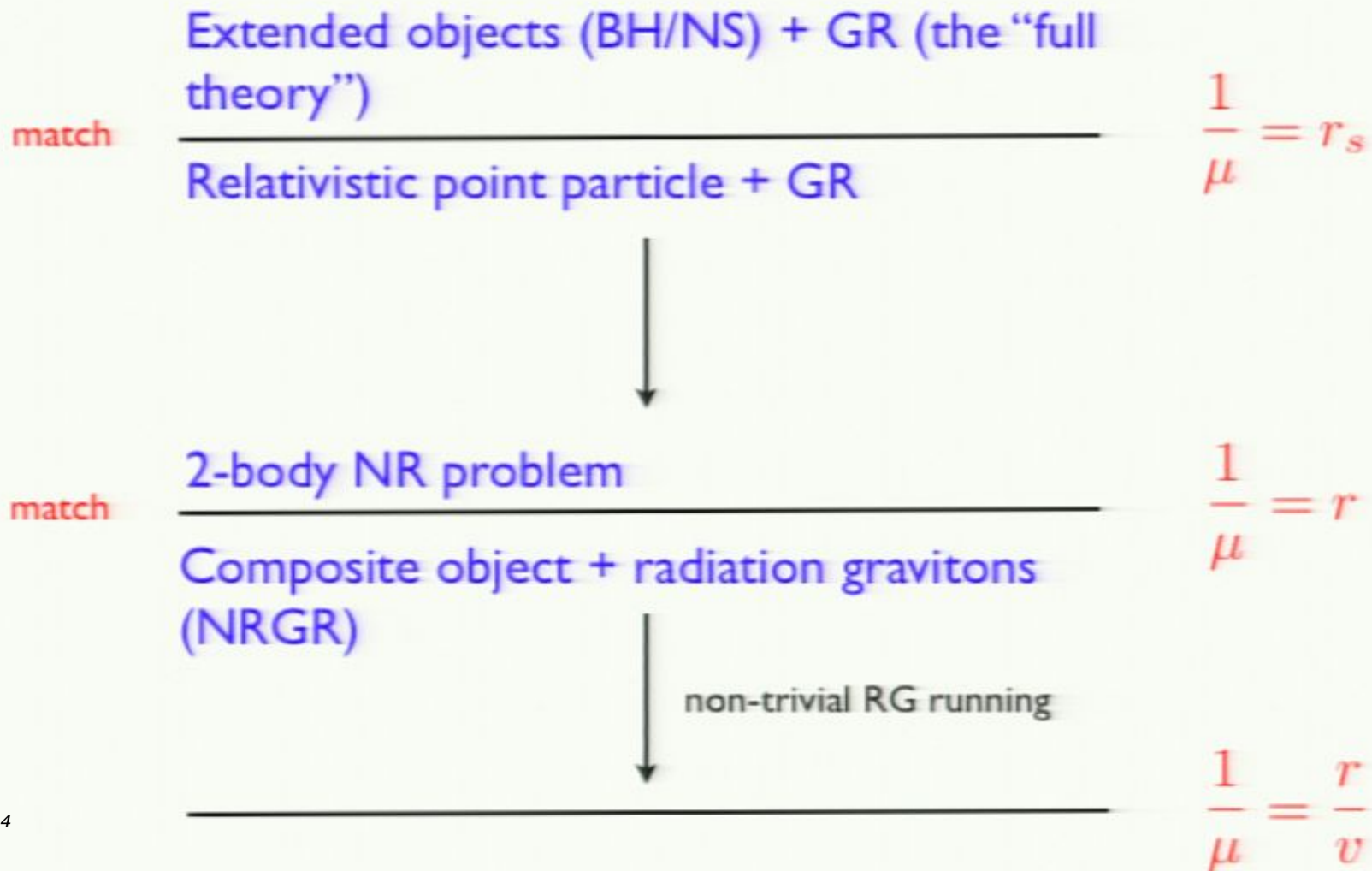
The reason why this is difficult to decide in traditional PN approaches is that there is no manifest separation of scales.

This motivates an alternative, “Wilsonian” approach, that treats each physical scale independently. In such an approach:

1. Finite size effects are parametrized as Wilson coefficients in an pt particle theory.
2. These Wilson coefficients can be obtained by a matching calculation done at $\mu \sim r_s^{-1}$ in the one-body sector, where the dynamics simplifies.
3. Short distance (UV) divergences can be handled in the usual way and absorbed into finite size coefficients.
4. Logs of scale ratios $= \ln v$ can be understood by RG methods.

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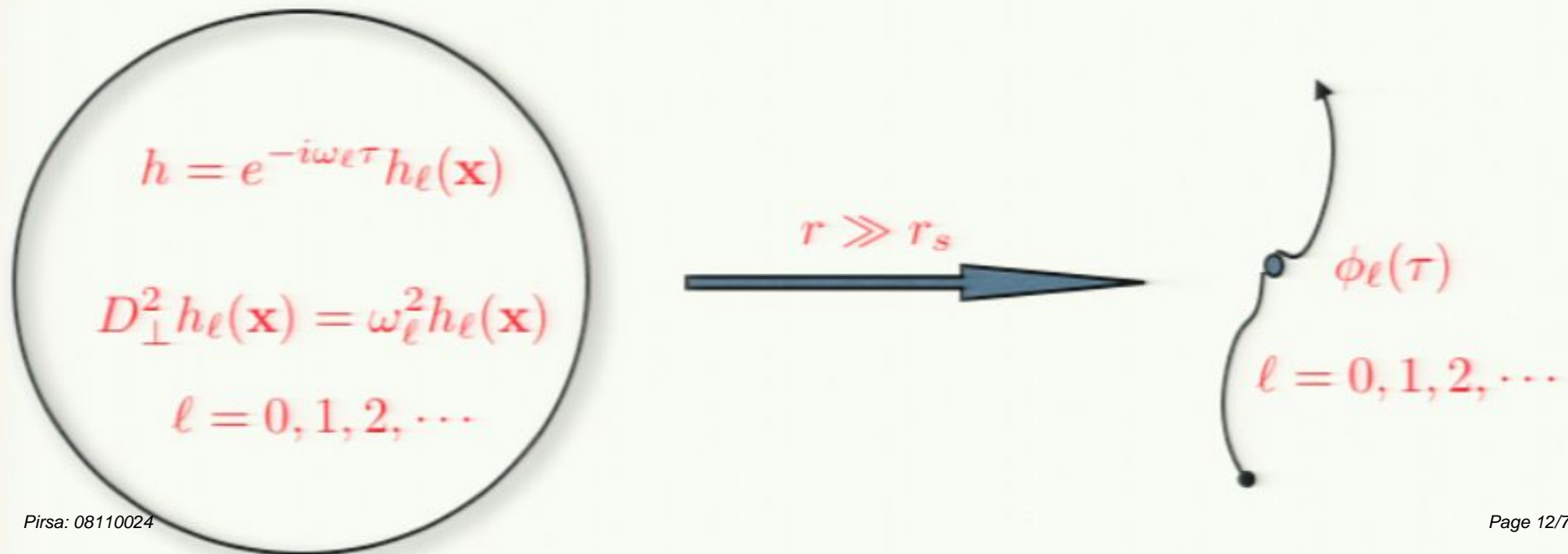


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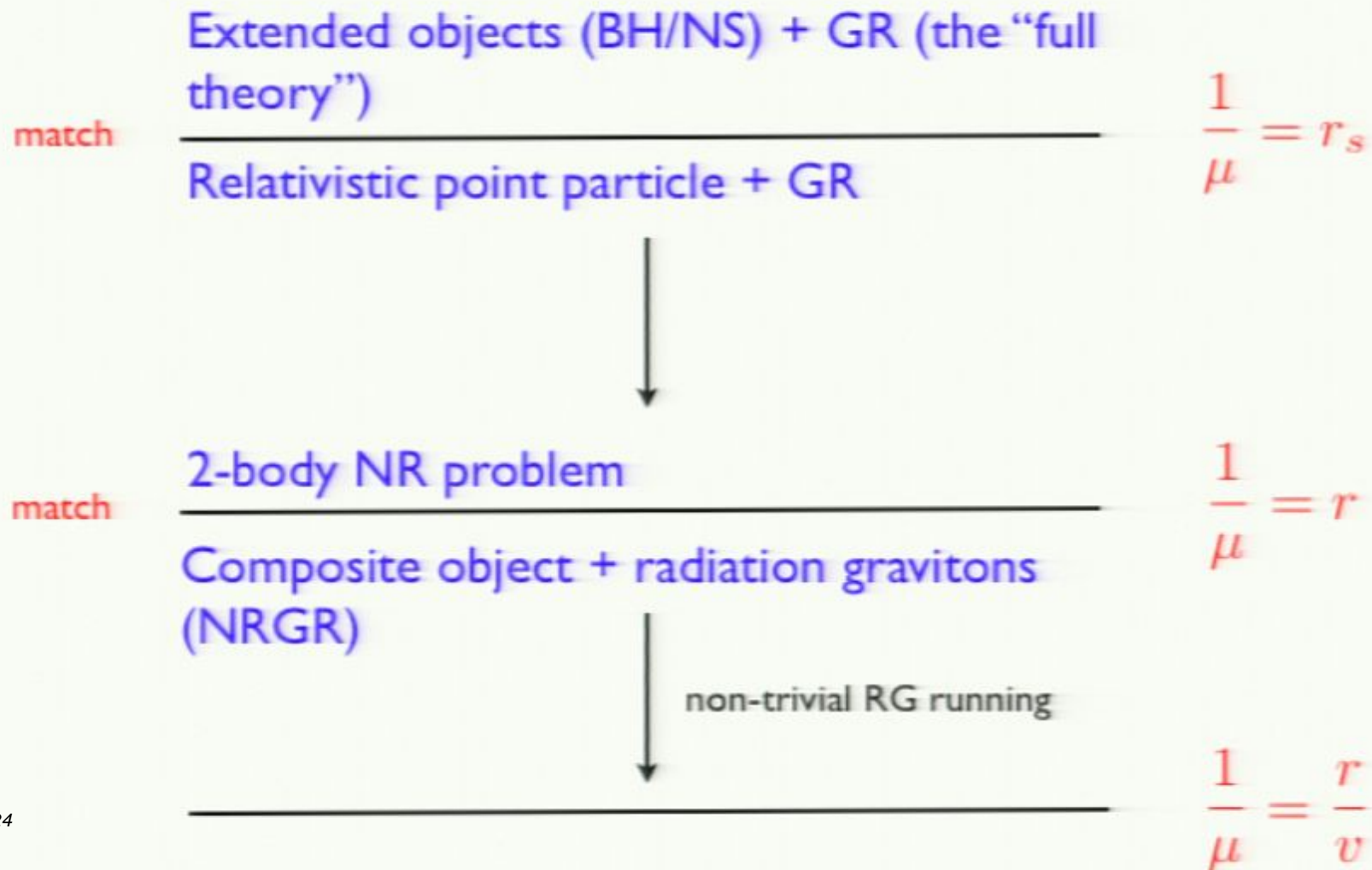
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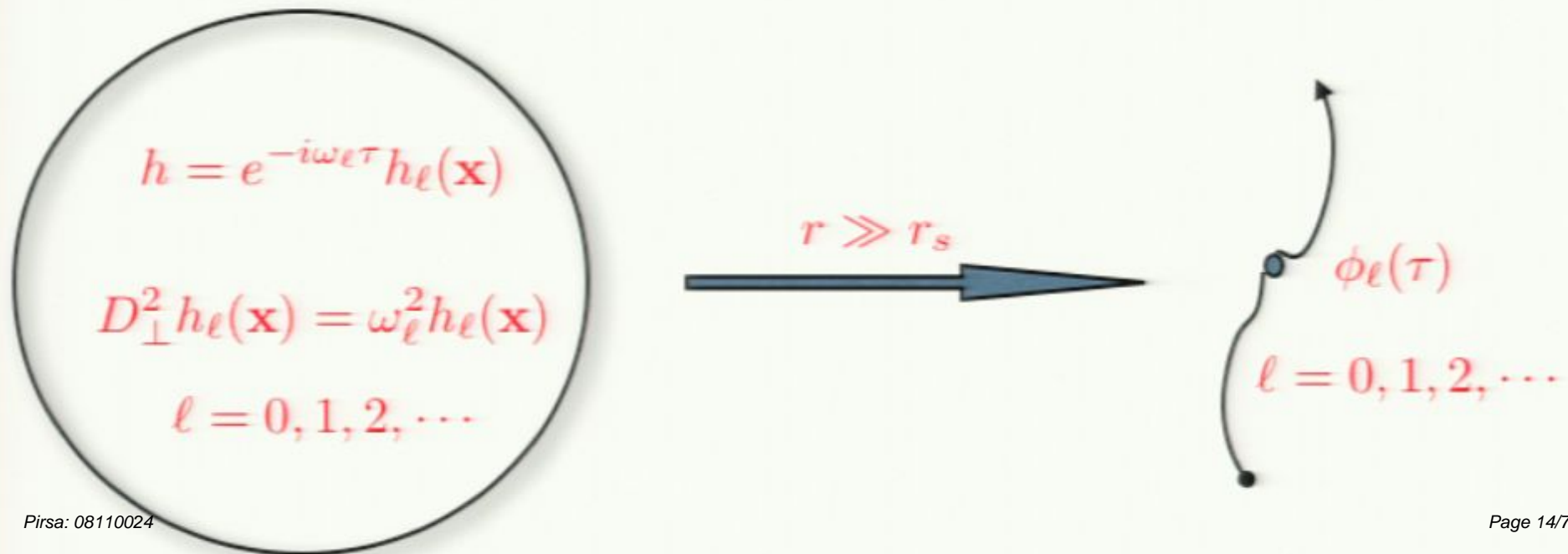


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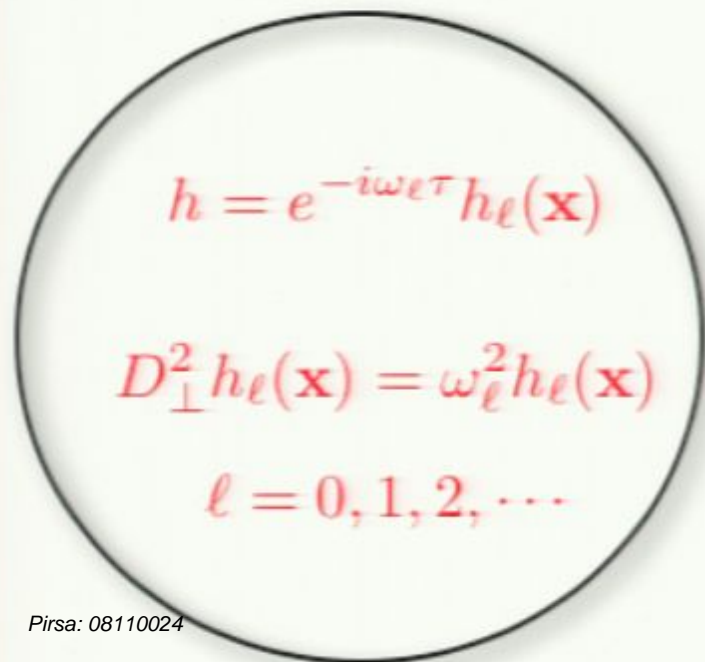
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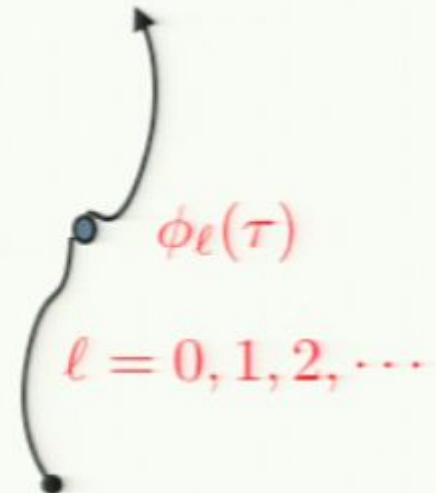
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the operators

$$S_{pp} = \dots + c_E \int d\tau E_{\mu\nu} E^{\mu\nu} + c_B \int d\tau B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

the effective Lagrangian cause deviations from pure geodesic motion. They are therefore associated with tidal = finite size effects. By including all such ops. we are systematically parametrizing finite size effects within the pt particle EFT.

How are the coefs $c_{E,B}$ calculated? Through **matching**: Compare amplitudes in full BH theory vs. pt. particle EFT.

Look at the elastic process $g + \text{BH} \rightarrow g + \text{BH}$. In the EFT, the amplitude has a term

$$i\mathcal{A}_{EFT} = \dots + \begin{array}{c} c_{E,B} \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \end{array} \sim \dots + \frac{ic_{E,B}}{m_{Pl}^2} \omega^4 + \dots$$

so that the cross section has a term

$$\sigma_{EFT}(\omega) \sim \dots + \frac{c_{E,B}^2}{m^4} \omega^8 \dots$$

In the full BH theory, the only scale is the Schwarzschild radius, so

$$\sigma_{BH}(\omega) = r_s^2 f(r_s \omega)$$

where $f(r_s \omega)$ can be expanded in powers of $r_s \omega$ (possibly times logs) for $r_s \omega \ll 1$

In the limit $r_s \omega \ll 1$, the full BH result should agree with the pt. particle EFT calculation. Thus the matching condition is

$$\sigma_{BH}(\omega) \sim \dots + r_s^{10} \omega^8 + \dots = \sigma_{EFT}(\omega) \sim \dots + \frac{c_{E,B}^2}{m_{Pl}^4} \omega^8$$

and therefore

$$c_{E,B} \sim m_{Pl}^2 r_s^5$$

might expect this effect to be at most $\left(\frac{r_s}{r}\right)^5 \sim v^{10}$. This is a **lower bound** on finite size corrections

Large enhancement possible for NS, $R_{NS} \sim 10 \times r_s$. See Flanagan + Hinderer arXiv:0709.1915)

Calculating Observables:

After integrating out the internal size scale r_s , all the long distance two-body physics is calculable from

$$S_{pp} = - \sum_a m_a \int d\tau_a + c_E^{(a)} \int d\tau_a E_{\mu\nu}^2 + c_B^{(a)} \int d\tau_a B_{\mu\nu}^2 + \dots$$

Interferometric detectors (LIGO/LISA) are most sensitive to the phase $\phi(t)$ of gravitational wave signals. Theoretically this can be calculated from

$E(v)$ = grav. binding energy, as a function of orbital velocity.

$\mathcal{F}(v)$ = radiated power, as a function of orbital velocity.

Setting $\frac{dE}{dt} = -\mathcal{F}$ the GW phase measured by LIGO/LISA can be calculated. E.g., for extreme mass ratio binary

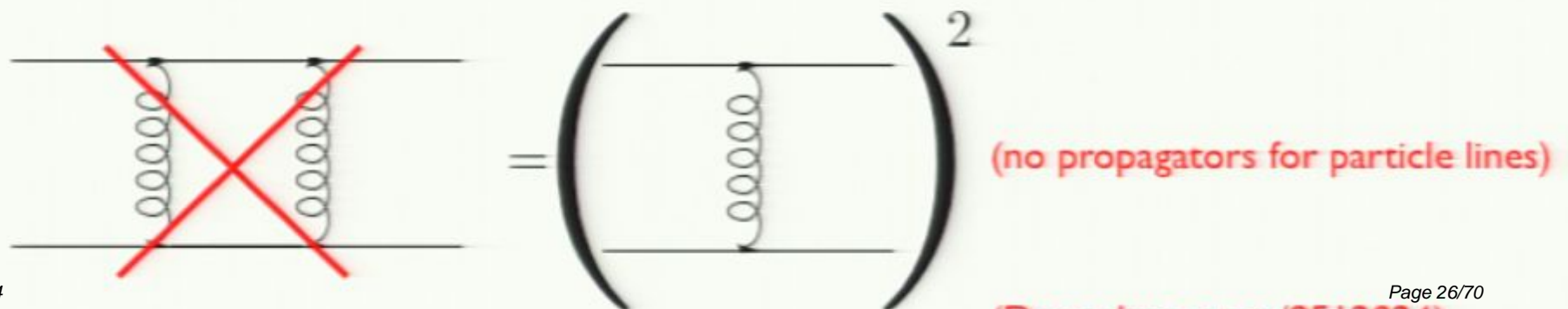
$$\phi(\nu) = \phi_0 + \frac{1}{2r_s} \int_{\nu(v)}^{\nu(\nu_0)} dv' v'^3 \frac{dE(v')/dv'}{\mathcal{F}(v')}$$

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$S_{eff}(x_a)$ generates all relevant observables:

$\text{Re } S_{eff}[x_a] \Rightarrow$ generates classical e.om.'s for x_a^μ

and for a fixed $\{x_a^\mu\}$ config., over a large time $T \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{1}{T} \text{Im} S_{eff}[x_a] = \frac{1}{2} \int dE d\Omega \frac{d^2\Gamma}{dE d\Omega},$$

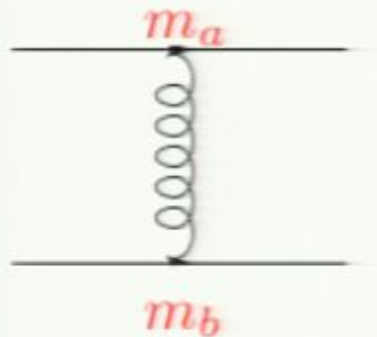
where $d\Gamma$ is the differential **rate** for graviton emission from binary system.
Classical power spectrum can be obtained from this:

$$dP = E d\Gamma,$$

with E — tot. energy radiated in gravitons

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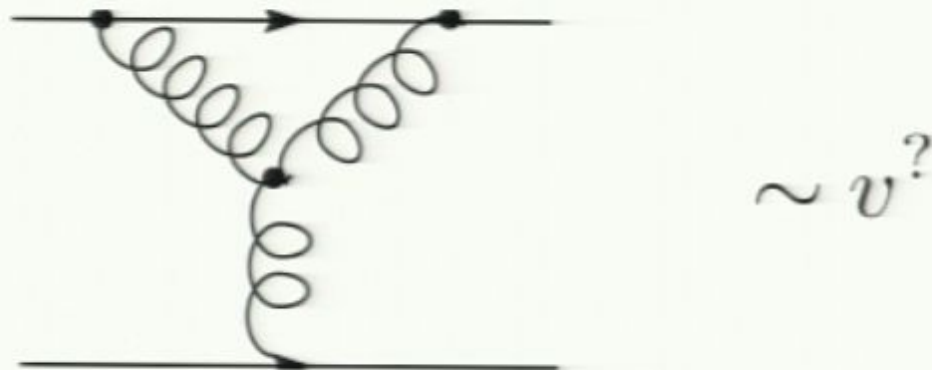


The diagram shows two horizontal lines representing worldlines. The top line is labeled m_a and the bottom line is labeled m_b . A vertical wavy line representing a graviton connects the two lines.

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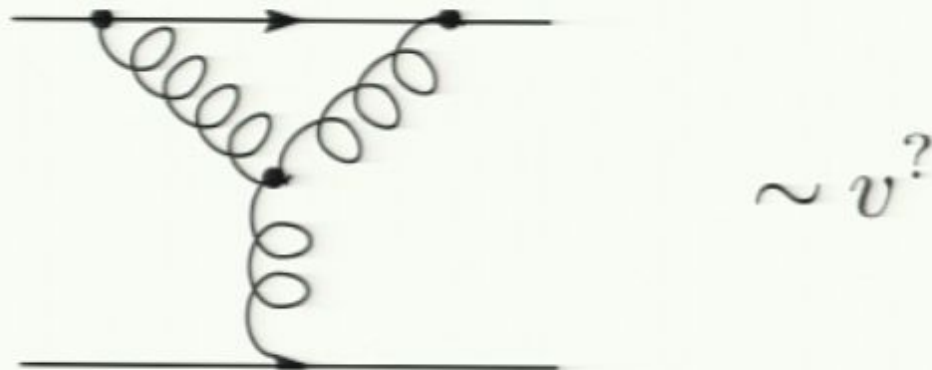
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$$iS_{eff}(x_a) = \text{[Diagram 1]} + \text{[Diagram 2]} + \dots$$

$$\text{[Diagram 3]} = \left(\text{[Diagram 1]} \right)^2$$

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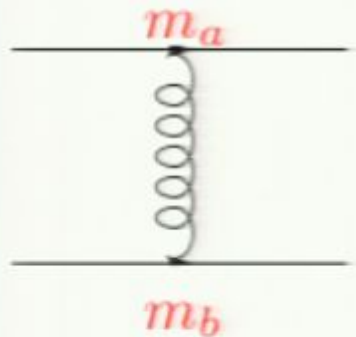


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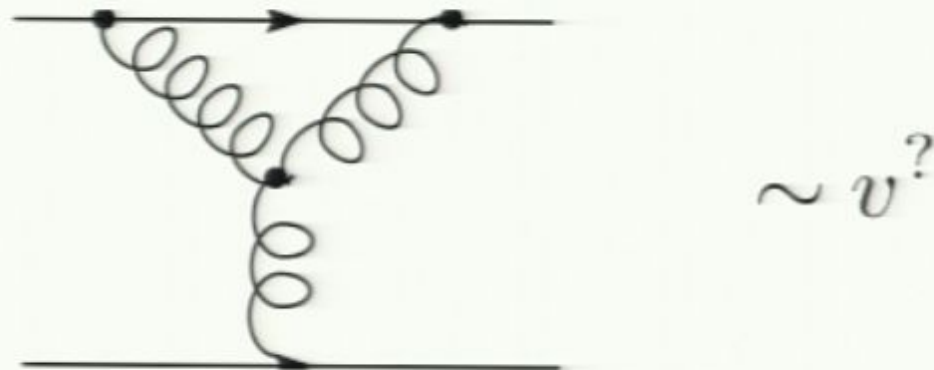
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IR two-body kinematics

Consider point particles with typical mass $m \gg m_{Pl}$ bound in orbit by graviton exchange, with orbital separation $r \gg r_s$

Point particle momenta: $(E \sim mv^2, \mathbf{p} \sim mv)$ with velocity v related to m, r through Virial theorem:

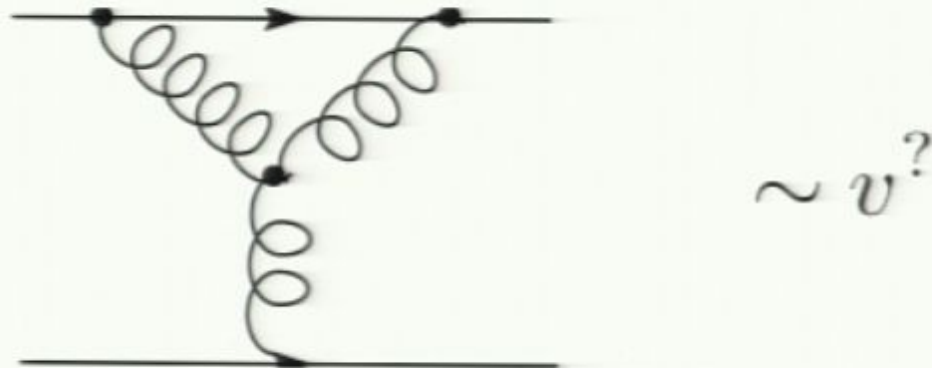
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Two types of graviton modes in a typical Feynman diagram:

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Hard to tell what order in v this first comes in. This is because momentum integrals in this diagram contain all scales in the binary problem

$$r_s \ll r \ll \lambda$$

IR two-body kinematics

Consider point particles with typical mass $m \gg m_{Pl}$ bound in orbit by graviton exchange, with orbital separation $r \gg r_s$

Point particle momenta: $(E \sim mv^2, \mathbf{p} \sim mv)$ with velocity v related to m, r through Virial theorem:

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So we have to integrate out the short distance potential modes from the theory.

To accomplish this, decompose

$$h_{\mu\nu}(x) = \bar{h}_{\mu\nu}(x) + H_{\mu\nu}(x),$$

The potential graviton modes are encoded in $H_{\mu\nu}$, with momentum components

$$\partial_i H_{\mu\nu} \sim \frac{1}{r} H_{\mu\nu} \quad \partial_0 H_{\mu\nu} \sim \frac{v}{r} H_{\mu\nu},$$

It is convenient to make explicit the difference between ∂_i and ∂_0 , so take FT

$$H_{\mu\nu}(x) = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} H_{\mathbf{k}\mu\nu}(x^0)$$

The radiation modes are encoded in $\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}$, viewed as long wavelength background field:

$$\partial_\alpha \bar{h}_{\mu\nu} \sim \frac{v}{r} \bar{h}_{\mu\nu}.$$

Now we can integrate out the potential modes. Formally,

$$\exp[iS_{NRGR}[x_a, \bar{h}]] = \int \mathcal{D}H_{\mu\nu} \exp[iS[\bar{h} + H, x_a] + iS_{GF}],$$

where we keep the diffeomorphism invariance with respect to the background field $\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}$:

$$S_{GF} = m_{Pl}^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \Gamma_\mu \Gamma^\mu,$$

with $\Gamma_\mu = D_\alpha H_\mu^\alpha - \frac{1}{2} D_\mu H_\alpha^\alpha$: (ignore ghosts). The potential propagator is

$$\langle H_{\mathbf{k}\mu\nu}(x^0) H_{\mathbf{q}\alpha\beta}(0) \rangle = -(2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) \frac{i}{\mathbf{k}^2} \delta(x^0) P_{\mu\nu;\alpha\beta}$$

but $x^0 \sim r/v, \mathbf{k} \sim 1/r$

$$\rightarrow H_{\mathbf{k}\mu\nu}/m_{Pl} \sim v^2/\sqrt{L} \quad (L = mvr \gg 1)$$

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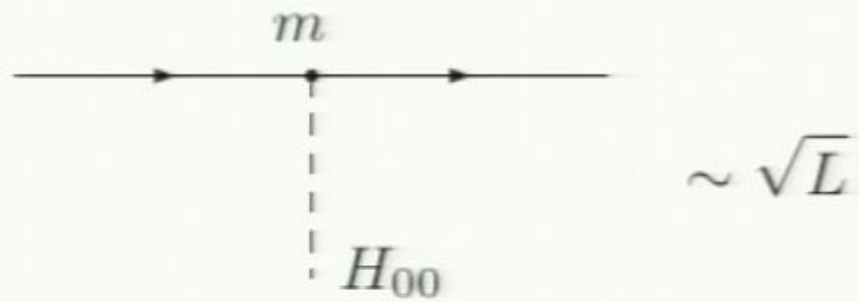
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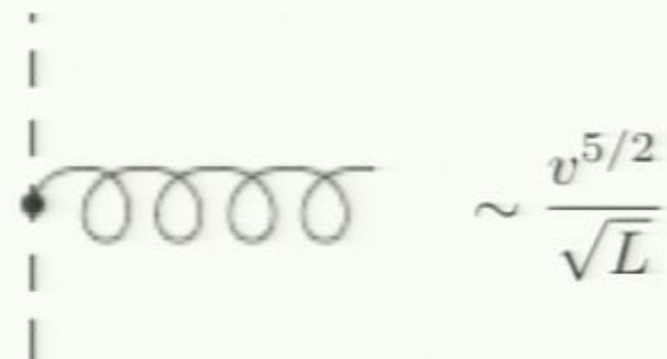
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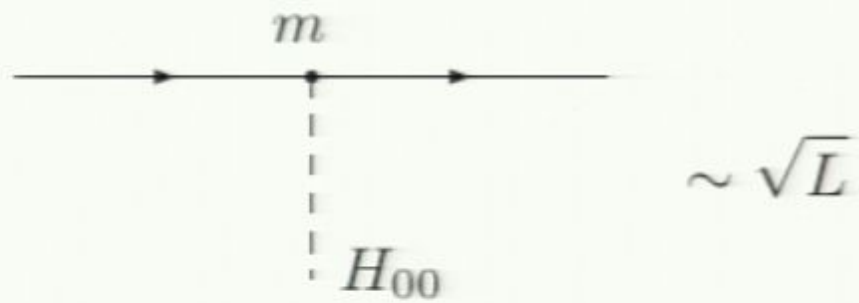
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What is the effective theory below the scale $\mu = 1/r$?

Integrate out potential modes to get effective Lagrangian for radiation modes:

$$\Gamma[\bar{h}] = \Gamma_0 + \Gamma_1 + \dots$$

$\mathcal{O}(\bar{h}^0)$ $\mathcal{O}(\bar{h}^1)$

$$\Gamma_0 = \int dt L[\mathbf{x}_a] = \text{many-particle Lagrangian, Feynman graphs w/ no ext. } \bar{h}_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\Gamma_1 = -\frac{1}{2m_{Pl}} \int d^4x T^{\mu\nu}(x) \bar{h}_{\mu\nu}(x)$$

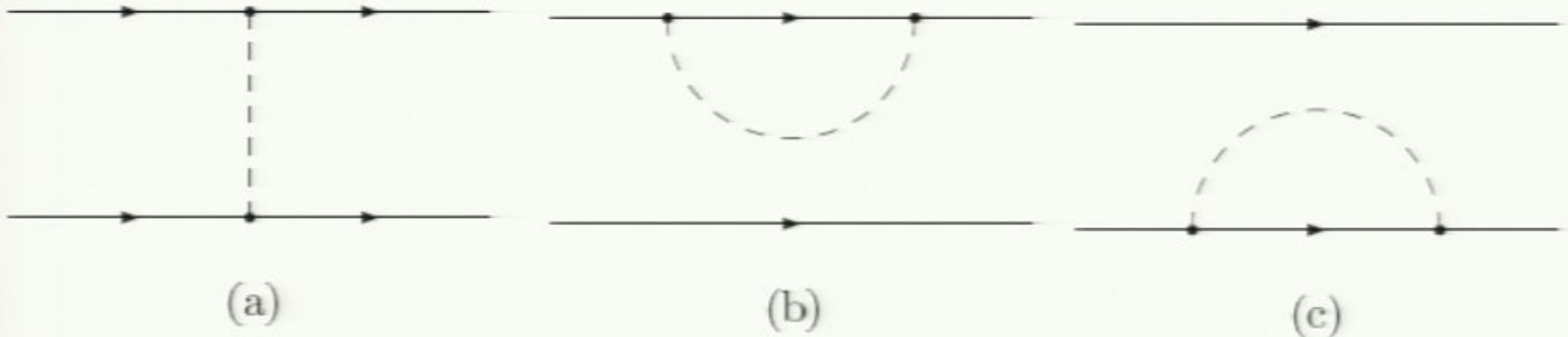
from graphs with one ext. $\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}$

$$T^{\mu\nu}(x) = \text{grav. energy-mom. "pseudo-tensor"}$$

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad (\text{Ward id.})$$

Zero graviton sector

Integrate out $H_{\mu\nu}$ at lowest order. Graphs with no external $\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}$



b),(c): Calculating in dim. reg. $\sim \int \frac{d^{3-\epsilon}\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^{3-\epsilon}} \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}^2} = 0$

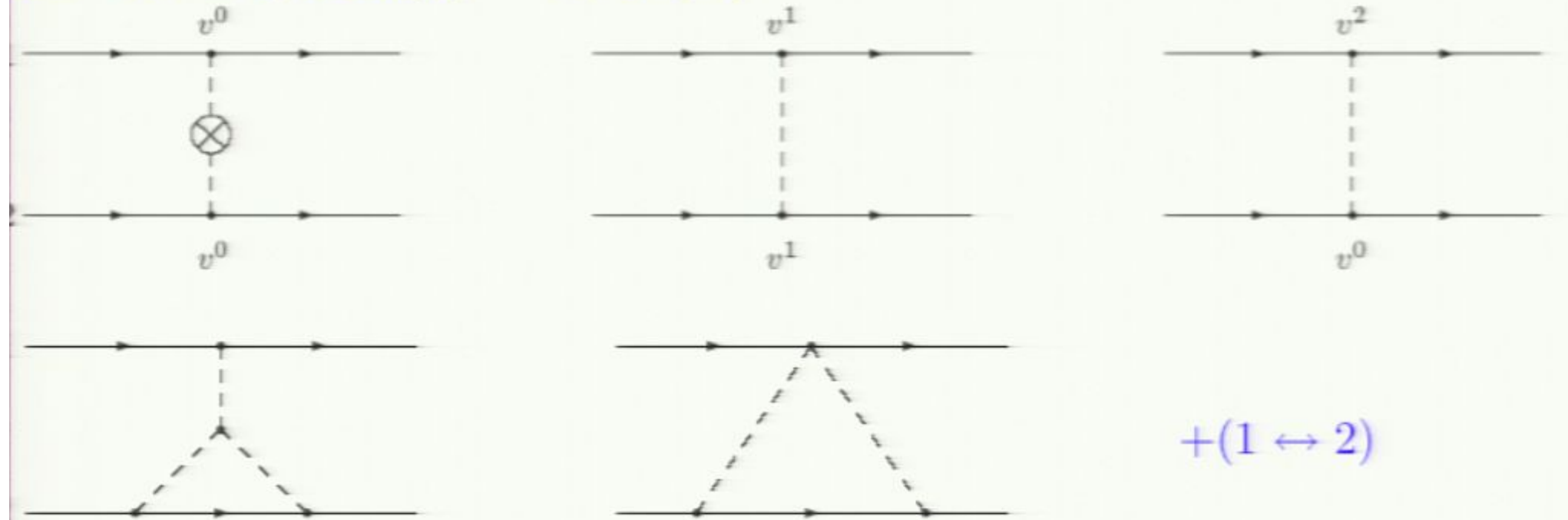
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So at this order

$$S_{eff}[x_a] = \int dt \left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_a m_a \mathbf{v}_a^2 + \frac{G_N m_1 m_2}{|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|} \right] + \dots$$

with $G_N \equiv 1/32\pi m_{Pl}^2$

At $\mathcal{O}(v^2)$



Adding these terms plus relativistic corrections to kinetic terms:

$$L_{EIH} = \frac{1}{8} \sum_a m_a \mathbf{v}_a^4 + \frac{G_N m_1 m_2}{2|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|} [3(\mathbf{v}_1^2 + \mathbf{v}_2^2) - 7\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 - (\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{n})(\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{n})] - \frac{G_N^2 m_1 m_2 (m_1 + m_2)}{2|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|^2}$$

which was first calculated in 1938 by Einstein, Infeld and Hoffmann.

One graviton sector

Must compute the graphs

$$T^{\mu\nu} =$$

The diagram shows the sum of Feynman diagrams for the graviton sector. The first row contains two diagrams: a graviton emission from a vertex labeled v^0 and a graviton emission from a vertex labeled v^2 . The second row contains two diagrams: a graviton exchange between two horizontal lines and a graviton emission from a vertex on a horizontal line. The third row shows a diagram with a graviton emission from a vertex on a horizontal line, followed by an ellipsis. Red plus signs separate the diagrams.

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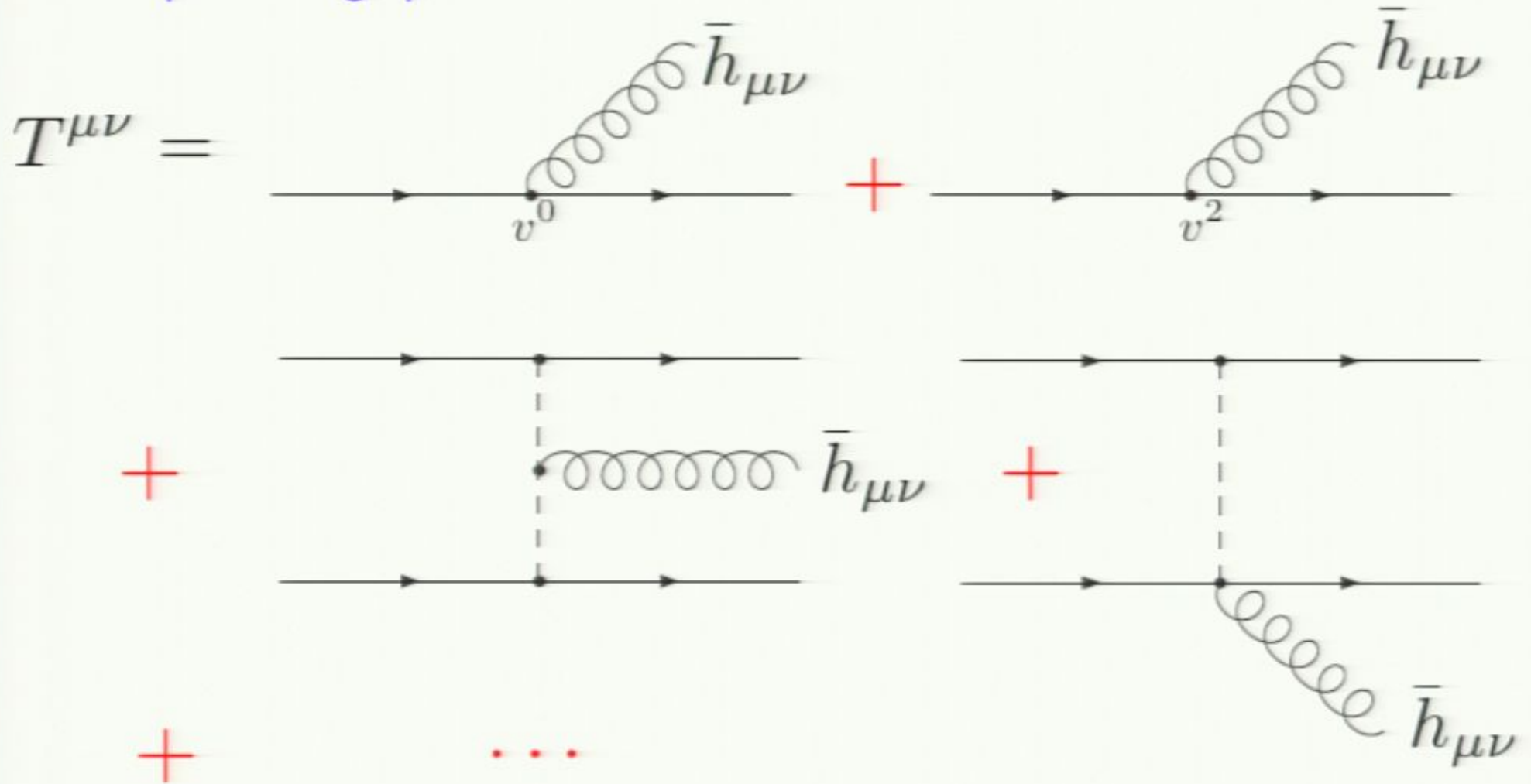
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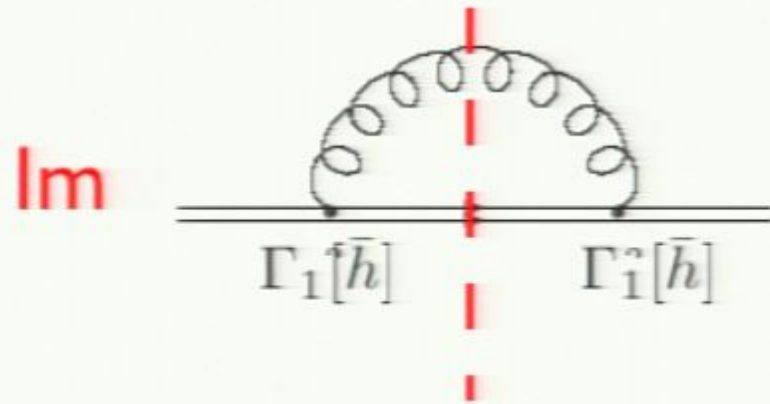
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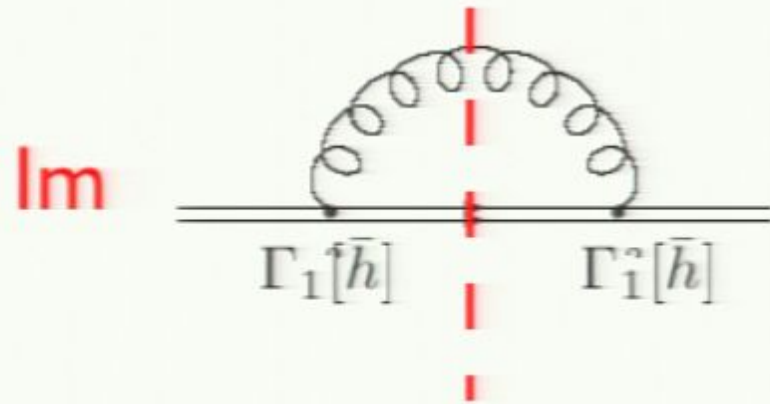
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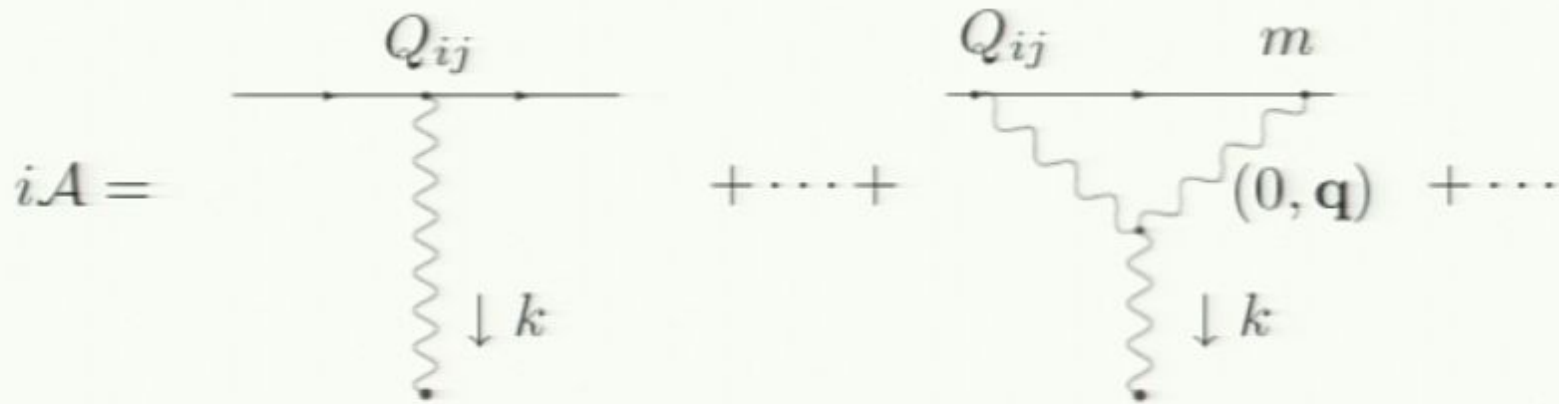
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example: the “tail effect”. Look at the amplitude for rad. graviton emission from two-body system



Physically: Outgoing graviton can interact with Newtonian $1/r$ potential of two-body source. Leading effect is from interference. Explicitly

$$i\mathcal{A} = \frac{i\mathbf{k}^2}{4m_{Pl}^2} \epsilon_{ij}^*(k) Q_{ij}(-|\mathbf{k}|) \left[1 - \frac{m}{2m_{Pl}^2} \mathbf{k}^2 \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\mathbf{q}^2} \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}^2 - (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2 + i\epsilon} \right]$$

dropped pure Im terms that do not give rise to interference)

Note that the integral

$$I = \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\mathbf{q}^2} \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}^2 - (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2 + i\epsilon} = \frac{i}{16\pi|\mathbf{k}|} \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon_{IR}} - \gamma - \ln \left(\frac{-\mathbf{k}^2 - i\epsilon}{\pi\mu^2} \right) \right]$$

is log divergent in the IR as $\mathbf{q} \rightarrow 0$

$$I \sim \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\mathbf{q}^2(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{q})} \quad \text{for} \quad \mathbf{q} \rightarrow 0$$

Physically this effect is easy to understand. For $\mathbf{q} \rightarrow 0$, intermediate graviton is on shell. The IR singularity is then entirely analogous to the IR divergences found in QM scattering off a Coulomb $1/r$ potential. In fact, the singularity drops from the interference term with the LO amp:

$$|\mathcal{A}|^2 = |\mathcal{A}_{LO}|^2 [1 - (2\pi)G_N m|\mathbf{k}| + \dots]$$

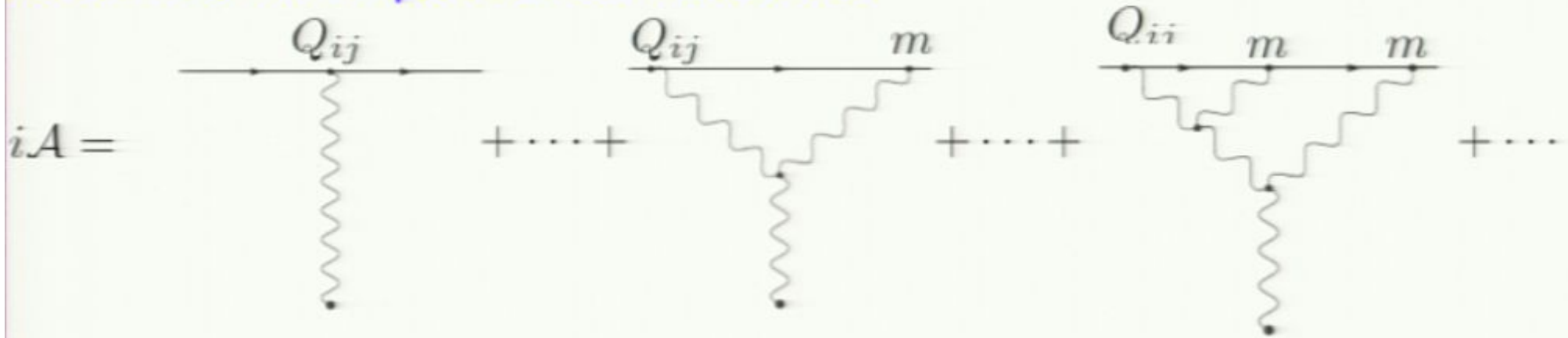
For circular orbits, this leads to:

$$\frac{\dot{E}_{tail}}{\dot{E}_{LO}} = -4\pi v^3$$

which is non-analytic in the expansion parameter $= v^2$. Note that this a

LARGE correction due to factor of 4π .

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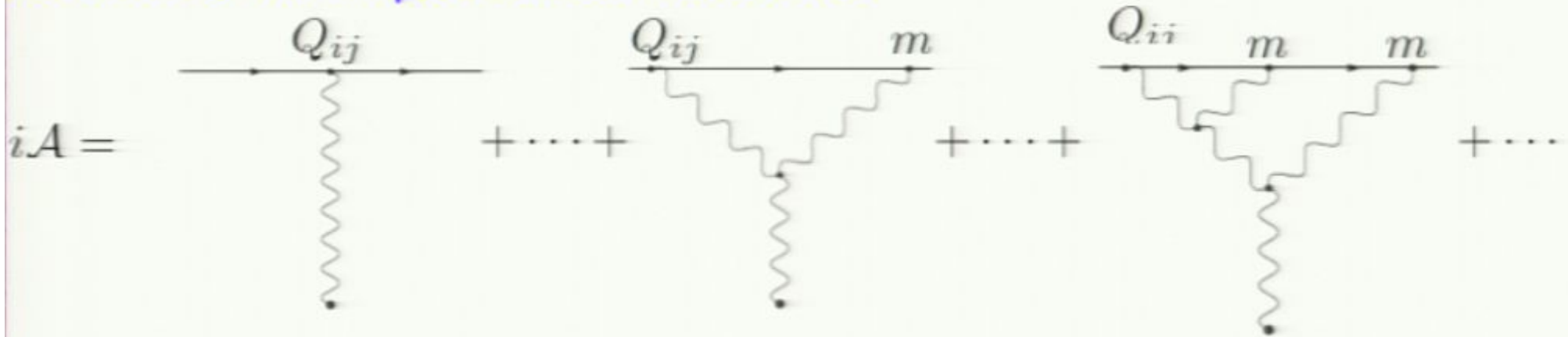
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As a test of this prescription, can calculate radiation at order v^5 in terms of the moments at order v^2 previously calculated. Plug into

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making the replacements

$$E_{ij}(\omega) \rightarrow E_{ij}(\omega) \exp \left[-\frac{m}{2m_{Pl}} \omega^2 I(\omega) \right]$$

and also for E_{ijk}, B_{ij} gives after expanding, e.g for circular orbit binary

$$\frac{dE}{dt} v^5 = -\frac{8191\pi}{672} v^5 \frac{dE}{dt} LO$$

in agreement w/ known results (Blanchet, 1996)

It would be interesting to see the full consequences of this “improvement” of perturbation theory for GW phenomenology.

Can get a rough estimate by looking at binary system in circular orbit. The resummed power is

$$\frac{\dot{E}_{\text{resum}}}{\dot{E}_{LO}} = e^{-4\pi v^3}$$

Recall that, for e.g. LIGO, expansion parameter is:

$$v(10 \text{ Hz}) \sim 0.06 \left(\frac{m}{m_{\odot}} \right)^{1/3} \rightarrow v(1 \text{ kHz}) \sim 0.3 \left(\frac{m}{m_{\odot}} \right)^{1/3}$$

So for a BH with $m_{BH} \sim 10m_{\odot}$ correction due to resummation can be large since:

$$0.03 < 4\pi v^3 < 3.4$$

however, at the upper bound, expansion in v probably not very reliable.

ALSO: Need to make sure that this expansion is systematic (i.e. are we really summing largest effect at each order?). This is work in progress.

Finite Size Effects:

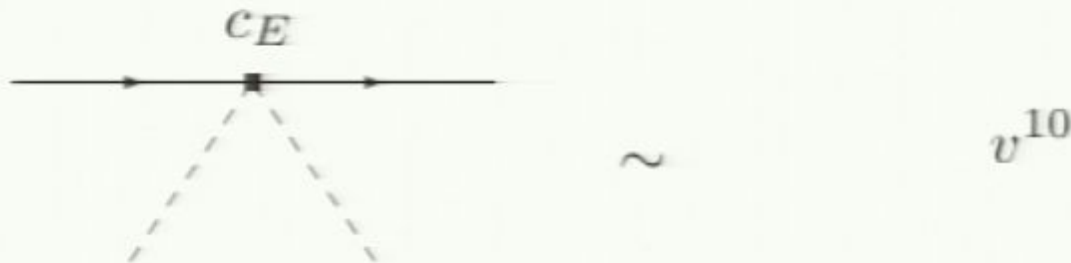
Recall that in the pt. particle EFT the structure of the binary constituents (BH or NS) is encoded in the “tidal” operators

$$S_{pp} = \dots + c_E \int d\tau E_{\mu\nu} E^{\mu\nu} + c_B \int d\tau B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

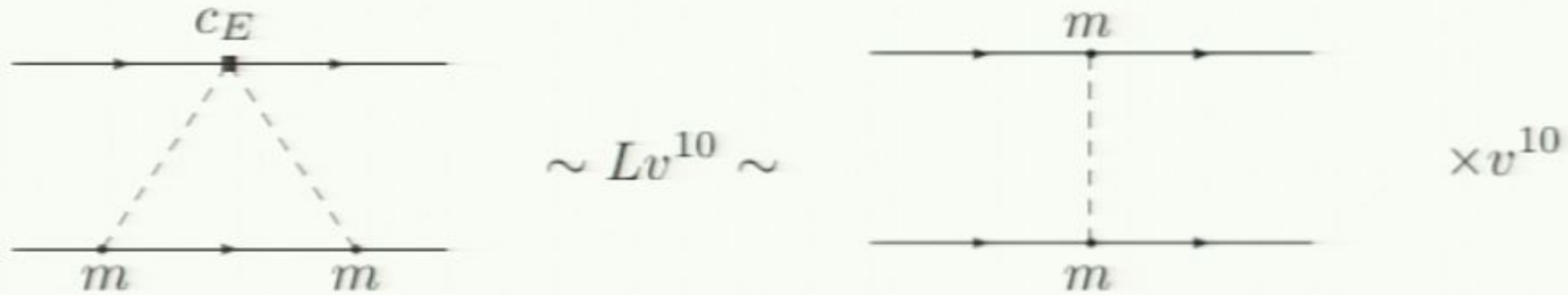
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$$c_{E,B} \sim m_{Pl}^2 r_s^5$$

Given the scaling of the coefficients + power counting rules in the $v \ll 1$ limit, it is easy to determine the order at which finite size effects come in. For example:



Leading tidal effect is due to potential graviton exchange:



i.e., tidal effects are suppressed by v^{10} (!) relative to Newtonian gravity, so are completely irrelevant for LIGO. However, expect an enhancement for less compact objects.

$$c_{E,B} \sim m_{Pl}^2 R_{NS}^5 \quad \frac{R_{NS}}{r_s} \sim 10$$

So finite size effect is more like $\sim 10^5 \times v^{10}$

could make a significant difference in the “endpoint” region $v \rightarrow 0.1$

Not Detectable by LIGO? See Flanagan + Hinderer, arXiv:0709.1915

There are other internal structure effects at lower order in the expansion:

BH horizon absorption: Dissipative effects can be treated within the pt particle EFT (see [WG+Rothstein hep-th/0511133](#)). For non-spinning BH's this is a v^8 effect, so too small for LIGO (LISA?). Absorption is enhanced by spin to v^5 ([Porto, arXiv:0710.5150](#))

Spin: Classically this is by definition a finite size effect. Effects of spin on two-body potentials and eqns. of motion at v^6

$$V_{3PN} \sim \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 \quad \text{Porto+Rothstein, gr-qc/0604009} \\ \text{arXiv:0804.0260}$$

$$V_{3PN} \sim \mathbf{S}_1^2 \quad \text{Porto+Rothstein, arXiv:0804.0260}$$

Dont know how to explicitly include the dof's that capture BH absorption.
However, by $SO(3)$ symmetry of Schwarzschild soln, must couple to gravitons through gauge invariant term

$$S = - \int d\tau Q_{ab}^E E^{ab} - \int d\tau Q_{ab}^B B^{ab} + \dots,$$

E_{ab}, B_{ab} = “electric” and “magnetic” components of the Riemann tensor
(classified according to parity).

Q_{ab}^E, Q_{ab}^B = “electric” and “magnetic” quadrupole moment operators
(composite operators built out of unknown worldline theory).

All the dynamics can be calculated if we know the correlation functions

$$\langle Q^{E,B} \dots Q^{E,B} \rangle$$

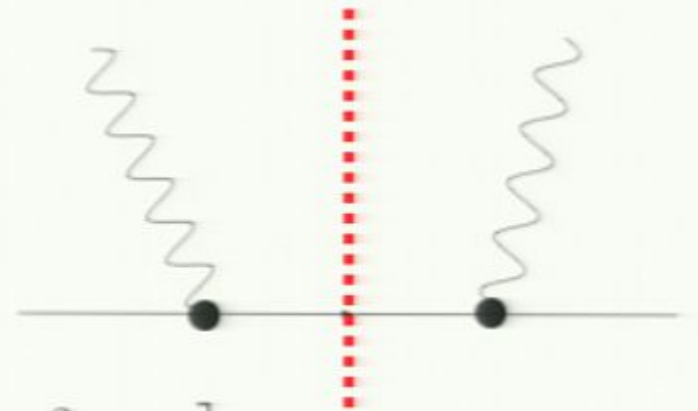
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EFT: Flat space calculation

$$\sigma_{abs,p}(\omega) = \frac{\omega^3}{2m_{Pl}^2} \text{Im}F(\omega).$$



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$$\int dx^0 e^{-i\omega x^0} \langle TQ_{ab}^E(0)Q_{cd}^E(x^0) \rangle = -\frac{i}{2} \left[\delta_{ac}\delta_{bd} + \delta_{ad}\delta_{bc} - \frac{2}{3}\delta_{ab}\delta_{cd} \right] F(\omega),$$



$$\text{Im}F(\omega) = 16G_N^5 m^6 \omega / 45$$

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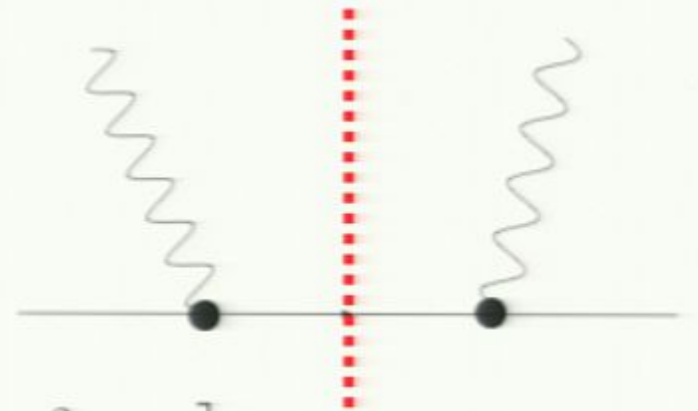
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Can also use the same methods to obtain dissipative corrections in stars made of ordinary matter (e.g. neutron star):

$$\frac{dP_{abs}}{d\omega} = -\frac{1}{T} \frac{G_N}{64\pi^2} \sum_{a \neq b} \frac{\sigma_{abs}^{(b)}(\omega)}{\omega^2} m_a^2 |q_{ij}^{(a)}(\omega)|^2,$$

where $\sigma_{abs}(\omega)$ is the body's low energy graviton absorption cross section.

Would expect that $\sigma_{abs}(\omega) < \sigma_{abs}^{BH}(\omega)$ on general grounds, however.

Conclusions

EFT methods are a useful way of organizing the calculation of gravitational wave processes.

1. Systematically parametrize and power count finite size/short distance effects.
2. Calculations can be done unambiguously in a pt. particle limit, where they simplify.
3. Separation of scales disentangles UV and IR physics. Can exploit this to sum/remove IR and UV singularities.

ere, presented the non-relativistic expansion, but the methods work in other nematic limits of interest to LIGO/LISA, with a suitably modified power counting scheme (eg, $\lambda = m/M \ll 1, \dots$)