

Title: Local and Global Properties of Green Functions in Black Hole Space-times

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Abstract: The local and global properties of the retarded and Feynman Green functions to the wave equation in curved spacetime are crucial for radiation reaction in the classical theory and for renormalisation in the quantum quantum theory. Building on an insight due to Avramidi, we provide a system of transport equations for determining key fundamental geometrical bitensors determining the local Hadamard singularity structure of these GreenÃ¢ÂÂ€ÂÂ™s functions. We illustrate their use in a semi-recursive approach showing how to determine covariant expansions to high order, for example, calculating the tail term reflecting backscattering by the curvature of spacetime to 20th order in the geodesic separation in a matter of minutes, and as the basis of numerical calculations. We also present an efficient method to construct covariant expansions of the tail term, without using the formal Hadamard light-cone expansion. Finally we discuss the relationship between the geodesic structure, quasi-normal modes with associated excitation factors and the global behaviour of Green functions in black hole space-times.

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The motivation: classical

- EMRIs (BH/BH or BH/NS)
- $m \sim M_{\odot}$, $M \sim 10^3 - 10^8 M_{\odot}$
- LISA will see 10-1000 EMRIs/yr
- Outside range of NR or PN
- Perturb in mass ratio $\mu = m/M$
- Smaller mass treated as point particle
- At 0th order particle follows a geodesic
- 1st order correction can be described as a force - ‘the self force’

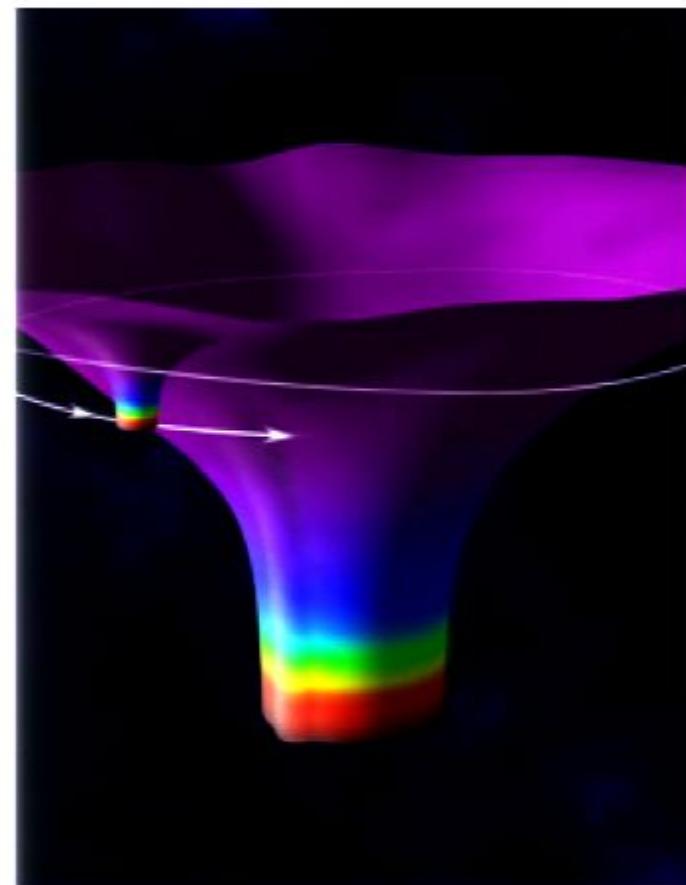
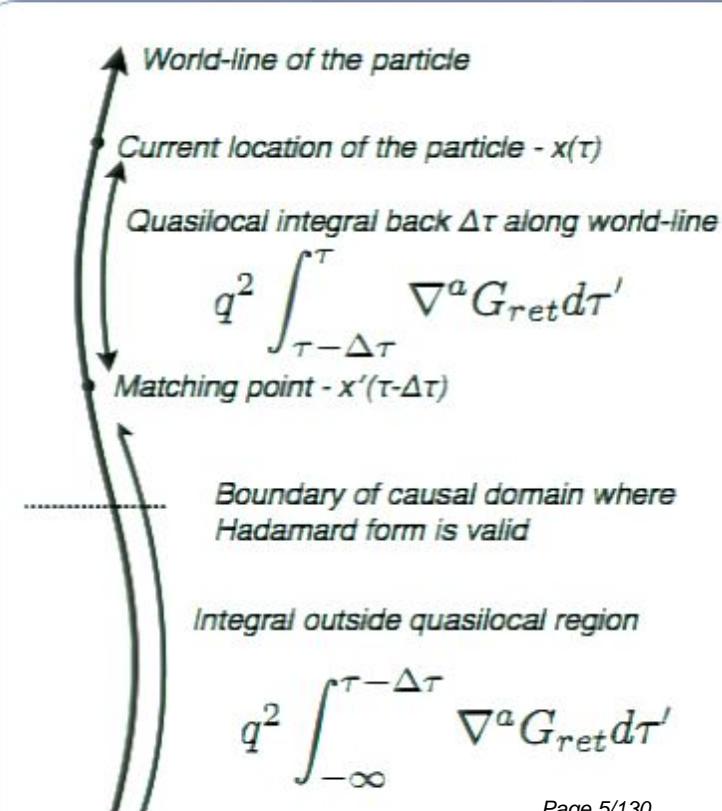


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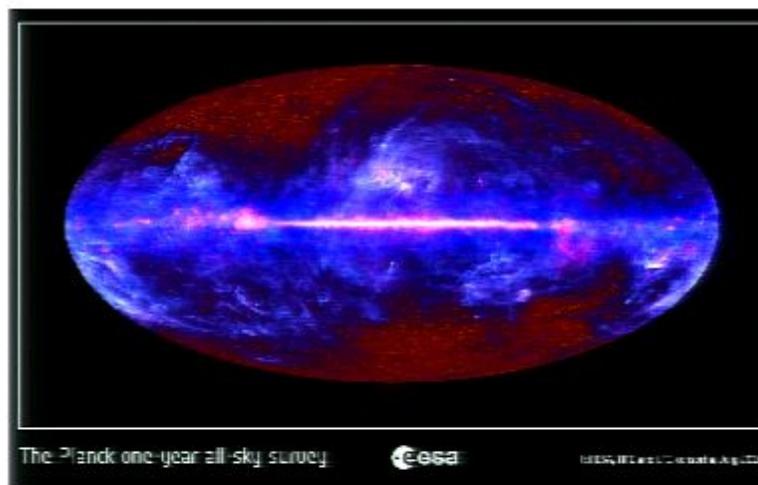
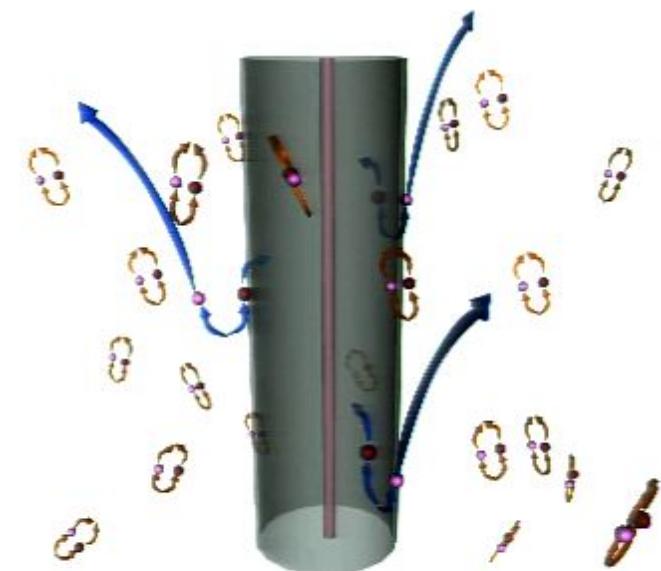
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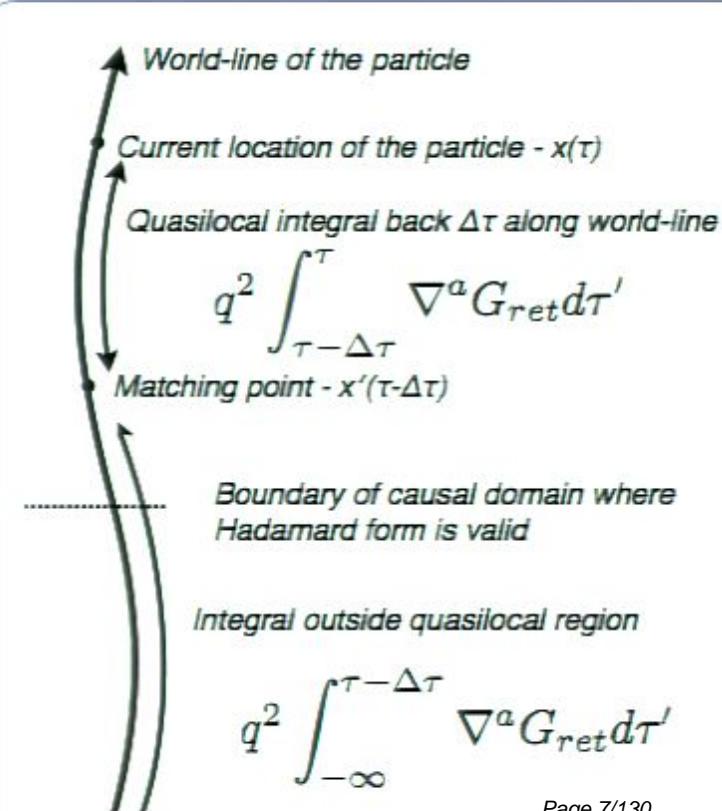
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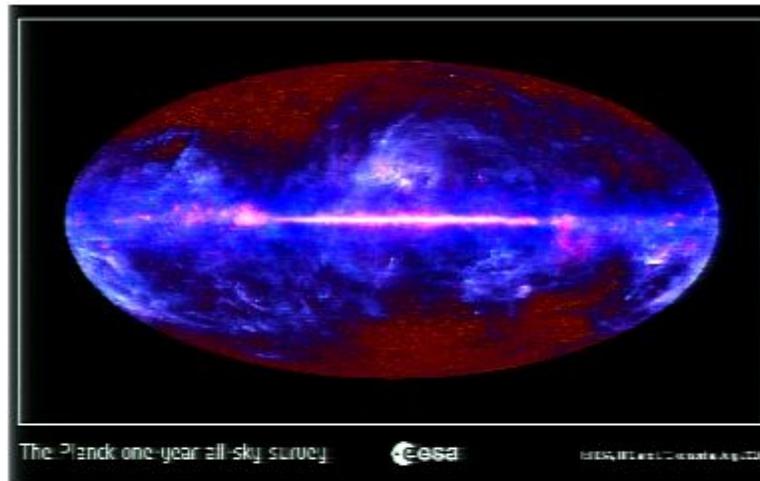
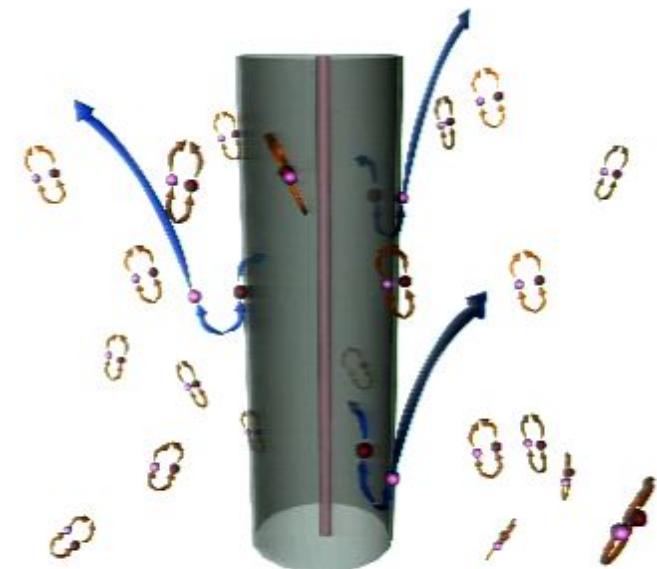
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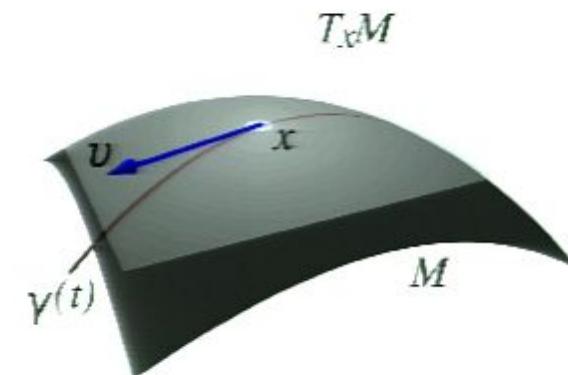
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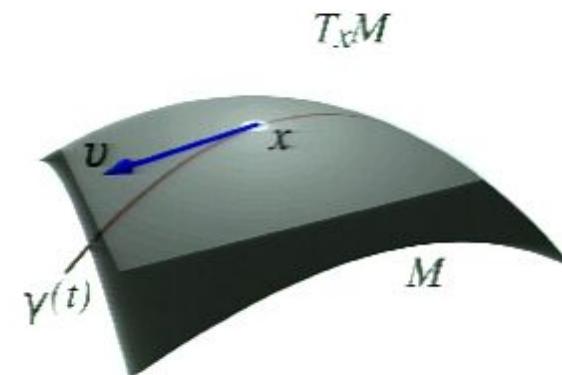
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The Synge world function (democracy restored!)

Well known can obtain geodesics from an action principle:

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where τ is proper time. Independent of affine parameter choosing

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corresponding to Lagrangian

$$L[x^a, \dot{x}^a] = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \lambda g_{ab}(x) \dot{x}^a \dot{x}^b \quad \text{where } \dot{x}^a = \frac{dx^a}{d\lambda}, \quad \Delta \lambda = \lambda_1 - \lambda_0$$

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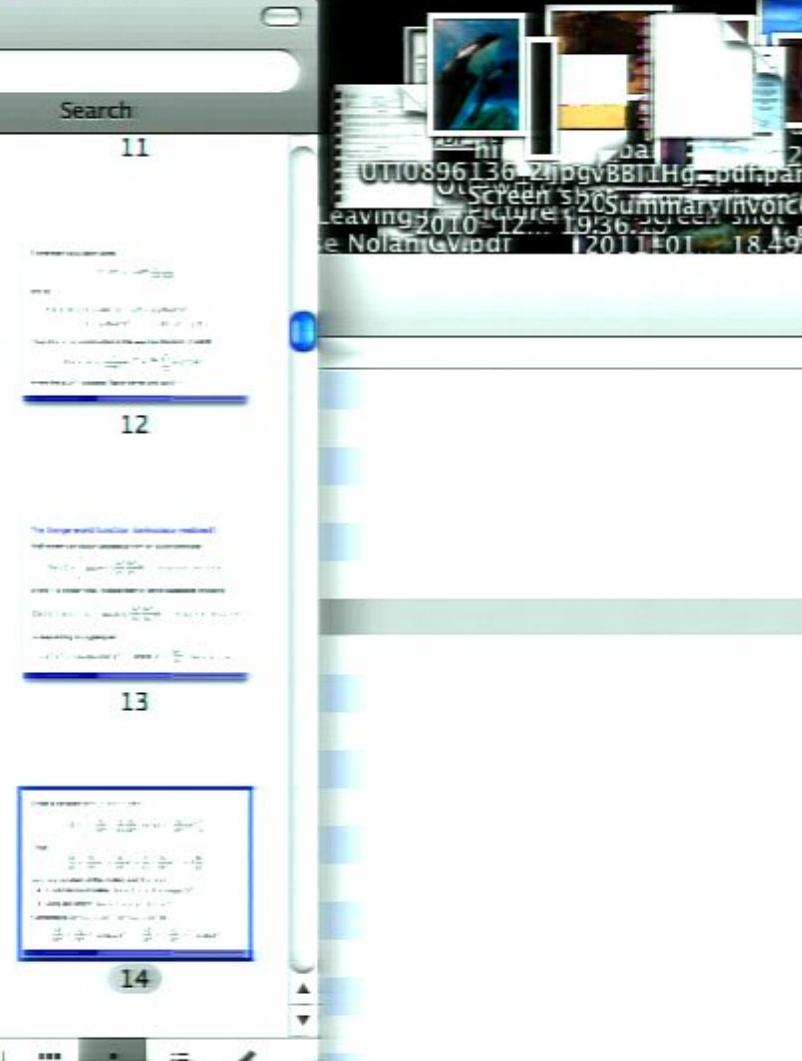
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World function expression of the DeWitt ansatz

$$K^A{}_{B'}(x, x'; s) \sim \frac{1}{(4\pi s)^2} e^{-im^2 s} e^{-\frac{\sigma(x, x')}{2is}} \Omega^A{}_{B'}(x, x'; s)$$

where $\Omega^A{}_{B'}(x, x'; s)$ possesses the asymptotic expansion as $s \rightarrow 0+$

$$\Omega^A{}_{B'}(x, x'; s) \sim \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} a_r^A{}_{B'}(x, x')(is)^r$$

where $a_0^A{}_B(x, x) = \delta^A{}_B$ and $a_r^A{}_{B'}(x, x')$ has dimension (length) $^{-2r}$

Notes:

- Effect of topology/boundaries - terms in $\Omega^A{}_{B'}(x, x'; s)$ not analytic in s at $s = 0$
- Can show $a_0^A{}_{B'}(x, x') = \Delta^{1/2}(x, x')\delta^A{}_{B'}$ and write

$$\bar{a}_r^A{}_{B'} = a_r^A{}_{B'}/\Delta^{1/2}$$

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Can one hear the shape of a drum?

$$K^A_{B'}(x, x'; s) = \sum_i e^{-i(\lambda_i + m^2)s} u_i^A(x) u_{iB'}(x')$$

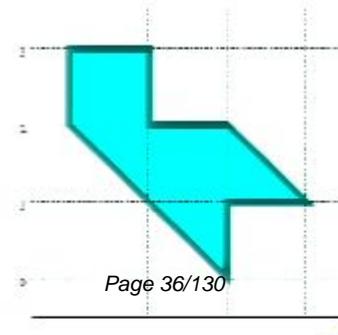
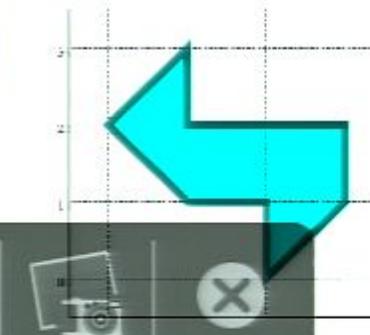
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- These ‘diagonal’ coefficients $a_r^A{}_A(x, x)$ are also associated with Hadamard,

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DeWitt recursion relations

Requiring the DeWitt expansion satisfy the wave equation requires the recursion relations

$$\sigma^{;\alpha'} a_{r+1}^{AB'}{}_{;\alpha'} + (r+1) a_{r+1}^{AB'} - (\delta^{B'}{}_{C'} \square - P^{B'}{}_{C'}) a_r^{AC'} = 0$$

for $r \in \mathbb{N}$ along with the 'initial condition'

$$\sigma^{;\alpha'} a_0^{AB'}{}_{;\alpha'} = \frac{1}{2}(4 - \square' \sigma) a_0^{AB'}$$

with the implicit requirement that they be regular as $x' \rightarrow x$.

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Parallel transport

Can parallel transport any tensor along our geodesic



$$\dot{x}^{b'} t^{a'}_{;b'} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \sigma^{b'} t^{a'}_{;b'} = 0$$

$$t^{a'} = g^{a'}_b t^b$$

$$\sigma^{c'} g^{a'}_{b;c'} = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad g^{a'}_b|_{x'=x} = \delta^a_b$$



Special case: $\sigma^{;a'} = -g^{a'}_b \sigma^{;b}$

The VanVleck-Morette determinant: definition

A key role is played by 2nd derivatives, start with: $\Delta^{a'}{}_{b'} = g^{a'}{}_c \sigma^{;c}{}_{;b'}$
 $\Delta^{a'}{}_{b'}|_{x'=x} = -\delta^a{}_b$, how does it change along the geodesic?

$$D' \Delta^{a'}{}_{b'} \equiv \sigma^{;d'} \Delta^{a'}{}_{b';d'} = g^{a'}{}_c \sigma^{;d'} \sigma^{;c}{}_{;b'd'}$$

Now $2\sigma = \sigma^{;d'} \sigma_{;d'} \Rightarrow \sigma_{;b'} = \sigma^{;d'} \sigma_{;b'd'} \Rightarrow \sigma^{;c}{}_{;b'} = \sigma^{;c;d'} \sigma_{;b'd'} + \sigma^{;d'} \sigma^{;c}{}_{;b'd'}$

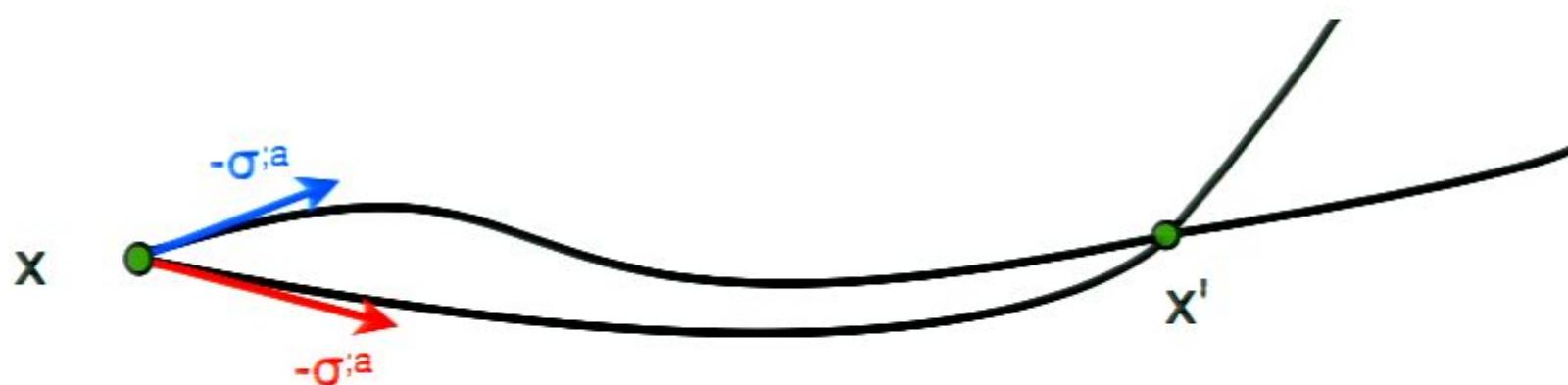
$$D' \Delta^{a'}{}_{b'} = g^{a'}{}_c (\sigma^{;c}{}_{;b'} - \sigma^{;c}{}_{;d'} \sigma_{;b'd'}) = \Delta^{a'}{}_{b'} - \Delta^{a'}{}_{d'} \sigma_{;b'd'}$$

In particular, letting $\Delta = \det \Delta^{a'}{}_{b'}$, and using $d \det A = \det A \text{tr}(A^{-1} dA)$

$$D' \Delta = \Delta \text{tr}(\delta_{b'}{}^{d'} - \sigma_{;b'}{}^{d'}) = \Delta(4 - \square' \sigma)$$

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The VanVleck-Morette determinant: interpretation



Can use x' or σ^a as coordinates near x

Jacobian of transformation is $\sigma^a_{;b'}$

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The Hadamard approach

$$G_f^{AB'}(x, x') = i\langle \Psi | T \left[\hat{\varphi}^A(x) \hat{\varphi}^{B'}(x') \right] | \Psi \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \left[\frac{U^{AB'}(x, x')}{\sigma + i\epsilon} + V^{AB'}(x, x') \ln(\sigma + i\epsilon) \right]$$

$$G_f^{AB'}(x, x') = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(G_{\text{adv}}^{AB'}(x, x') + G_{\text{ret}}^{AB'}(x, x') \right) + \frac{i}{2} \langle \Psi | \{ \hat{\varphi}^A(x), \hat{\varphi}^{B'}(x') \} | \Psi \rangle$$

$$G_{\text{ret}}^A{}_{B'}(x, x') = \theta_-(x, x') \left\{ U^A{}_{B'}(x, x') \delta(\sigma) - V^A{}_{B'}(x, x') \theta(-\sigma) \right\},$$

$$U^A{}_{B'}(x, x') = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} U_r(x, x')^A{}_{B'} \sigma^r \quad V^A{}_{B'}(x, x') = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} V_r(x, x')^A{}_{B'} \sigma^r$$

Find $U_0^A{}_{B'} = \Delta^{1/2} \delta^A{}_{B'}$, then write

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} U_r(x, x') \sigma^{r-1} \xrightarrow{\text{Next}} W(x, x') = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} W_r(x, x') \sigma^r$$

The Hadamard and DeWitt coefficients are related by

$$V_r{}^A_{B'} = \frac{\Delta^{1/2}}{2^{r+1} r!} \sum_{k=0}^{r+1} (-1)^k \frac{(m^2)^{r-k+1}}{(r-k+1)!} a_k{}^A_{B'}$$

with inverse

$$a_{r+1}{}^A_{B'} = \Delta^{-1/2} \sum_{k=0}^r (-2)^{k+1} \frac{k!}{(r-k)!} (m^2)^{r-k} V_k{}^A_{B'} + \frac{(m^2)^{r+1}}{(r+1)!} \delta^A_{B'}$$

In particular,

$$V_r^{(m^2=0) A B'} = \frac{\Delta^{1/2}}{2^{r+1} r!} (-1)^{r+1} a_{r+1}{}^A_{B'}$$

These relate the ‘tail term’ of the massive and massless theories

$$V^A_{B'} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} V_r^{(m^2=0) A B'} \frac{(2\sigma)^r r! J_r ((-2m^2\sigma)^{1/2})}{(-2m^2\sigma)^{r/2}}$$

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$$+ m^2 \Delta^{1/2} \frac{J_1 ((-2m^2\sigma)^{1/2})}{(-2m^2\sigma)^{1/2}} \delta^A_{B'}$$

Covariant Taylor series

In flat space time $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}\eta_{ab}(x'^a - x^a)(x'^b - x^b)$ so $\sigma^{;a} = (x'^a - x^a)$

$$g_{b_1}{}^{b'_1} \cdots g_{b_n}{}^{b'_n} T_{a_1 \dots a_m b'_1 \dots b'_n}(x, x') = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} t_{a_1 \dots a_m b_1 \dots b_n \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_k}(x) \sigma^{\alpha_1} \cdots \sigma^{\alpha_k}$$
$$\equiv \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} T_{a_1 \dots a_m b_1 \dots b_n}{}^{(k)}$$

Standard rules:

$$(S \otimes T)_{(k)} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} S_{(k)} T_{(n-k)}$$

$$(D' T)_{(k)} = k T_{(k)}$$

Computing series: traditional method

- Differentiate $\sigma^a \sigma_{;a} = 2\sigma$ repeatedly and commute derivatives introducing Riemann
- For a_r to order $(\sigma^a)^s$ need $2r + s$ derivatives of σ

Fundamental transport equations

$$D' \Delta^{a'}{}_{b'} = \Delta^{a'}{}_{b'} - \Delta^{a'}{}_{d'} \sigma_{;b'}{}^{d'}$$

$$D' \sigma^{;a'}{}_{;b'} = -\sigma^{a'}{}_{d'} \sigma_{;b'}{}^{d'} - R^{a'}{}_{p' b' q'} \sigma^{;p'} \sigma^{;q'}$$

$$D'^2 (\Delta^{-1})^{a'}{}_{b'} = -D (\Delta^{-1})^{a'}{}_{b'} - R^{a'}{}_{p' r' q'} (\Delta^{-1})^{r'}{}_{b'} \sigma^{;p'} \sigma^{;q'}$$

Defining $\mathcal{K}^a{}_{b(n)} \equiv R^a{}_{(\alpha_1|b|\alpha_2;\alpha_3 \dots \alpha_n)} \sigma^{\alpha_1} \dots \sigma^{\alpha_n}$

$$(\Delta^{-1})^a{}_{b(n)} = - \left(\frac{n-1}{n+1} \right) \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \binom{n-2}{k} \mathcal{K}^a{}_{p(n-k)} (\Delta^{-1})^p{}_{b(k)}$$

started by

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$$(\Delta^{-1})^a{}_{b(0)} = -\delta^a{}_{b(0)} \quad | \quad (\Delta^{-1})^a{}_{b(1)} = 0$$

$$(\Delta^{-1})^a{}_{b(2)} = \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{K}^a{}_{b(2)}, \quad (\Delta^{-1})^a{}_{b(3)} = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{K}^a{}_{b(3)},$$

$$(\Delta^{-1})^a{}_{b(4)} = \frac{3}{5} \mathcal{K}^a{}_{b(4)} - \frac{1}{5} \mathcal{K}^a{}_{\rho(2)} \mathcal{K}^\rho{}_{b(2)},$$

$$(\Delta^{-1})^a{}_{b(5)} = \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{K}^a{}_{b(5)} - \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{K}^a{}_{\rho(3)} \mathcal{K}^\rho{}_{b(2)} - \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{K}^a{}_{\rho(2)} \mathcal{K}^\rho{}_{b(3)},$$

$$\Delta^a{}_{b(n)} = \sum_{k=2}^n \binom{n}{k} (\Delta^{-1})^a{}_{\rho(k)} \Delta^\rho{}_{b(n-k)}$$

$$\Delta^a{}_{b(0)} = -\delta^a{}_b, \quad \Delta^a{}_{b(1)} = 0$$

$$\sigma^{a'}{}_{b'(n)} = n \Delta^a{}_{b(n)} - \sum_{k=2}^{n-2} \binom{n}{k} k (\Delta^{-1})^a{}_{\rho(n-k)} \Delta^\rho{}_{b(k)}$$

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a_3	0.02	91	26	15	7	2
a_4	0.2	1058	113	68	56	5
a_5	3.6	13972	—	—	507	—
a_6	76	199264	—	—	4988	—
a_7	1489	2987366	—	—	51700	—
a_8	—	—	—	—	554715	—
a_9	—	—	—	—	6098069	—

Examples

Leading term for self-force in vacuum:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{abcd} = & -\frac{1}{280} R^p{}_{(a}{}^q{}_{b|;r|} R_{|p|c|q|d)}{}^{;r} - \frac{2}{315} R^{pqrs} R_{p(a|r|b} R_{|q|c|s|d)} \\ & + \frac{1}{105} R^p{}_{(a}{}^q{}_{b} R^{rs}{}_{|p|c} R_{rsq|d)} + \frac{1}{840} R^{pqrs} R_{pq}{}^t{}_{(a} R_{|rst|b} g_{cd)} \\ & + \frac{1}{8960} R^{pqrs} \square R_{pqrs} g_{(ab} g_{cd)} - \frac{1}{40320} R^{pqrs} R_{pq}{}^{tu} R_{rstu} g_{(ab} g_{cd)} \end{aligned}$$

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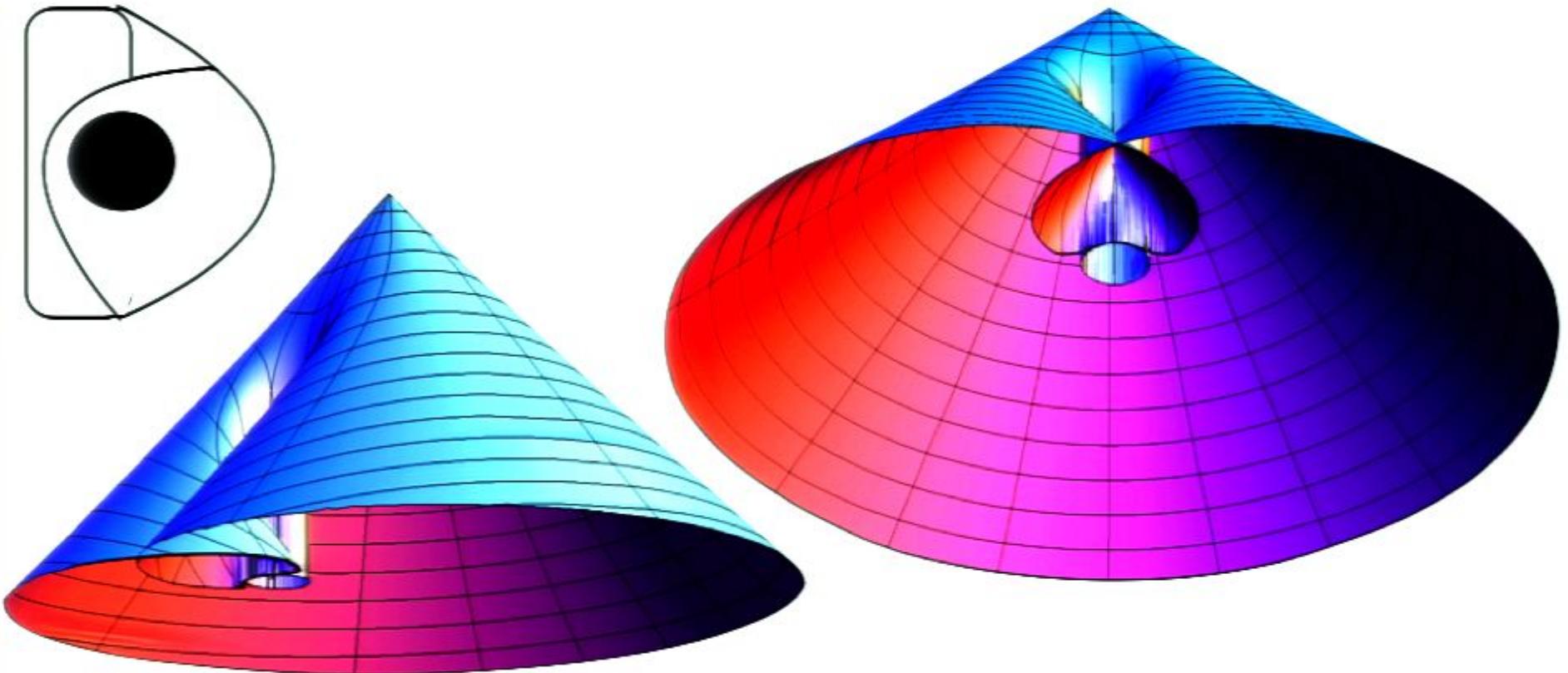
$$V_{0(0)} = 0, \quad V_{1(0)} = \frac{M^2}{15r^6}, \quad V_{2(0)} = \frac{M^2}{1008r^9}(194M - 81r)$$

$$V_{3(0)} = \frac{M^2}{3150r^{12}}(210r^2 - 1125rM + 1454M^2),$$

$$V_{4(0)} = \frac{M^4}{3819240000r^{15}}(-12867705r + 28164482M).$$

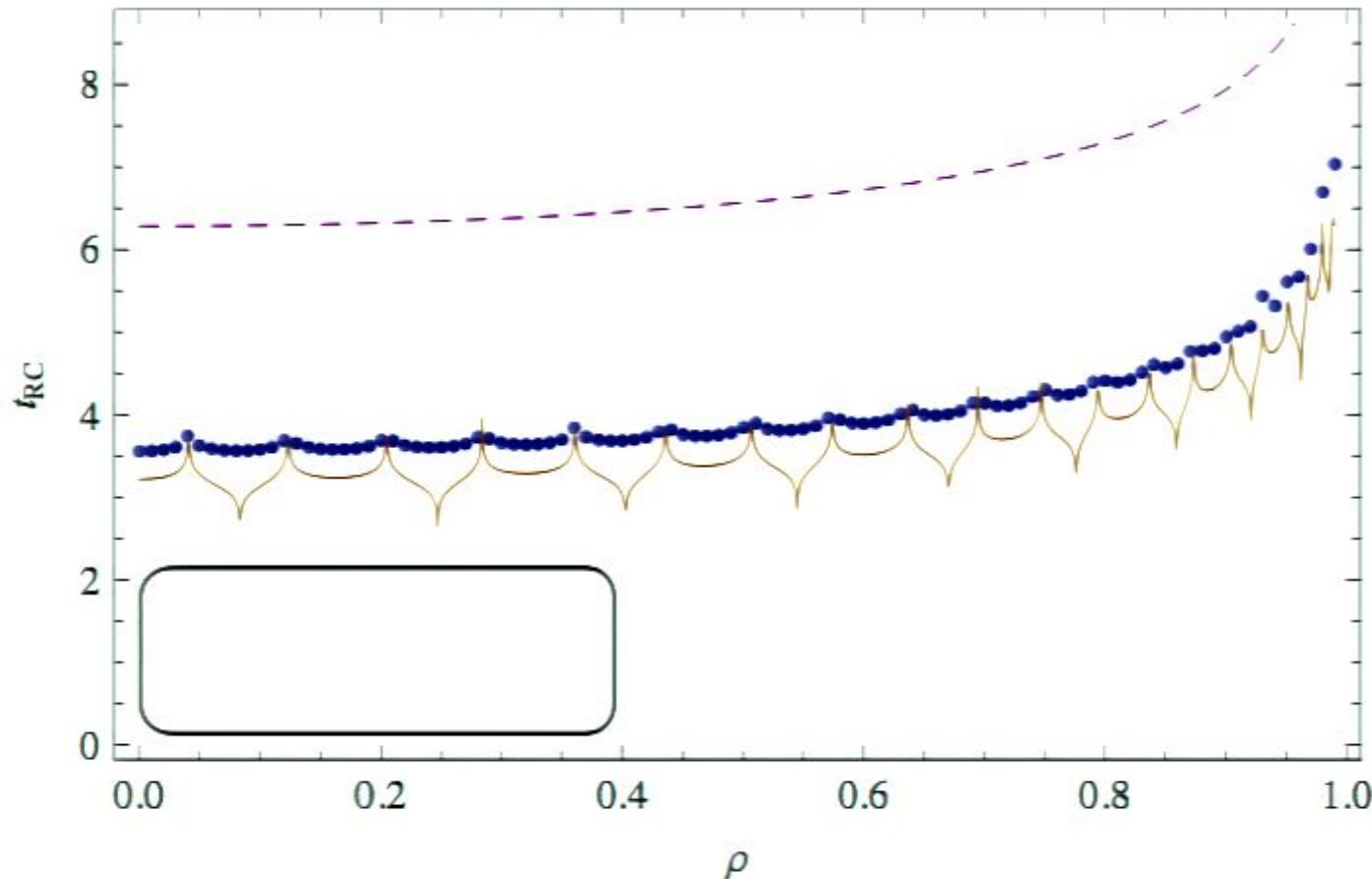
Normal Neighbourhood

Geometrical form only valid with normal neighbourhood



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Convergence of series



Radius of convergence for time separated points (i.e. static particle) as a function of radial position

Padé resummation

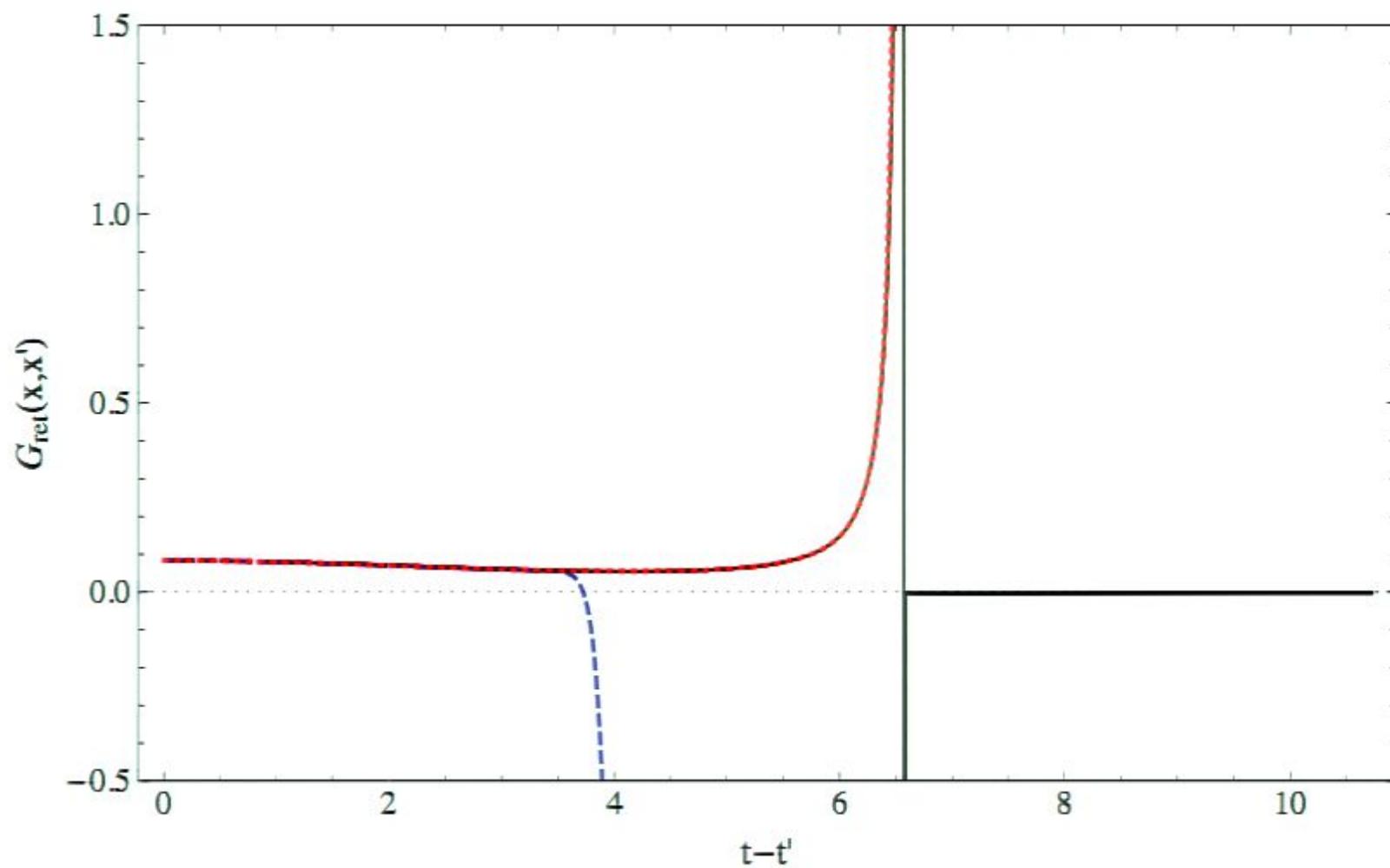
- Express the truncated series as a rational function

$$V(t - t') \sim P_M^N(t - t') = \frac{\sum_{n=0}^N A_n(t - t')^n}{\sum_{m=0}^M B_m(t - t')^m}.$$

- Captures the behaviour of the singularities in functional form.
- Accelerate convergence of the series.
- Extend domain of series.

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Convergence of series



Numerical Calculation along Geodesics

Numerically integrate the transport equations (ODEs) for $V_r(x, x')$ along geodesics.

$$D' \equiv \sigma^{\alpha'} \nabla_{\alpha'} = s' \left(\frac{d}{ds'} + \Gamma_{b'\gamma'}^{a'} u^{\gamma'} + \dots \right)$$

$$D' \ln \Delta = (4 - \sigma^{\alpha'}_{\alpha'})$$

$$D' \sigma^{a'}_{b'} = -\sigma^{a'}_{\alpha'} \sigma^{\alpha'}_{b'} + \sigma^{a'}_{b'} - R^{a'}_{\alpha' b' \beta'} \sigma^{\alpha'} \sigma^{\beta'}$$

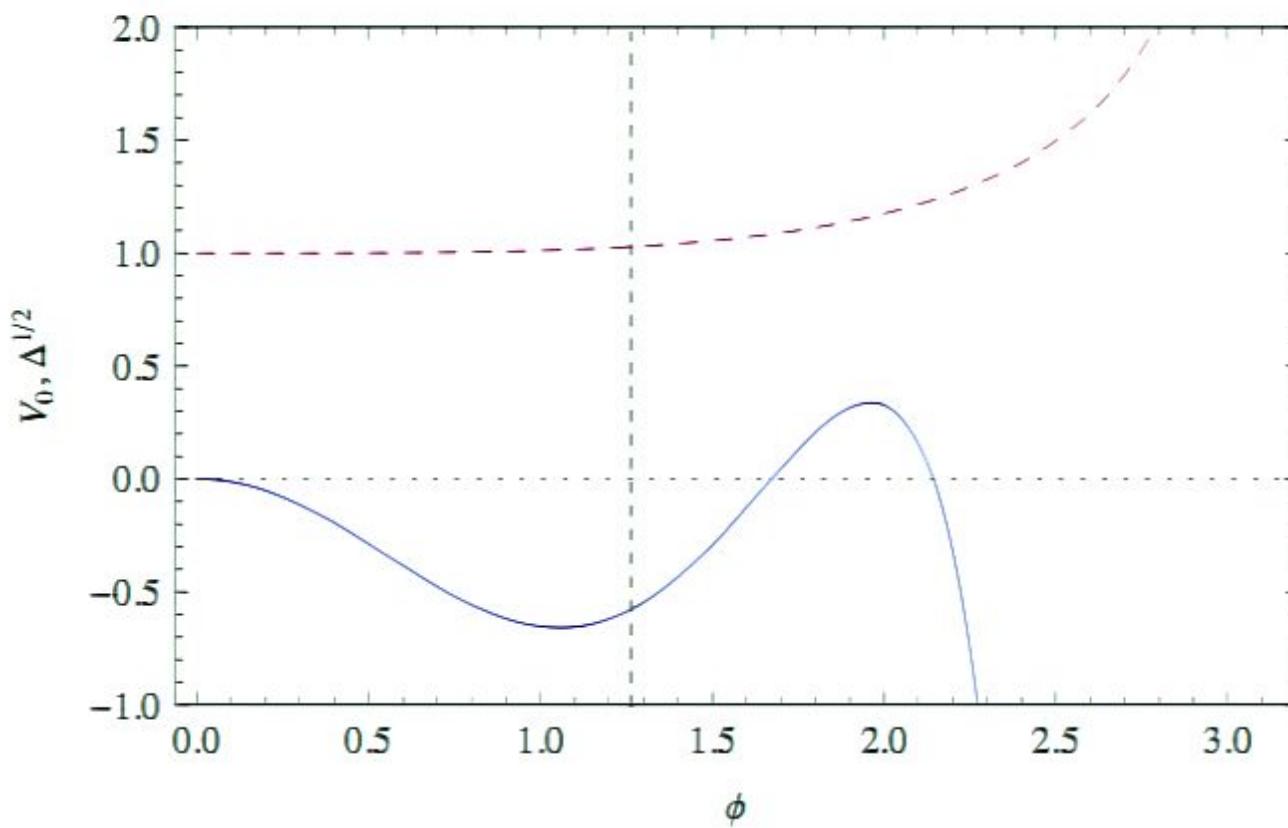
$$(D' + 1) V_0 + \frac{1}{2} V_0 \left(\sigma^{\mu'}_{\mu'} - 4 \right) + \frac{1}{2} (\square' - \xi R') \Delta^{1/2} = 0$$

$$(D' + r + 1) V_r + \frac{1}{2} V_r \left(\sigma^{\mu'}_{\mu'} - 4 \right) + \frac{1}{2r} (\square' - \xi R') V_{r-1} = 0$$

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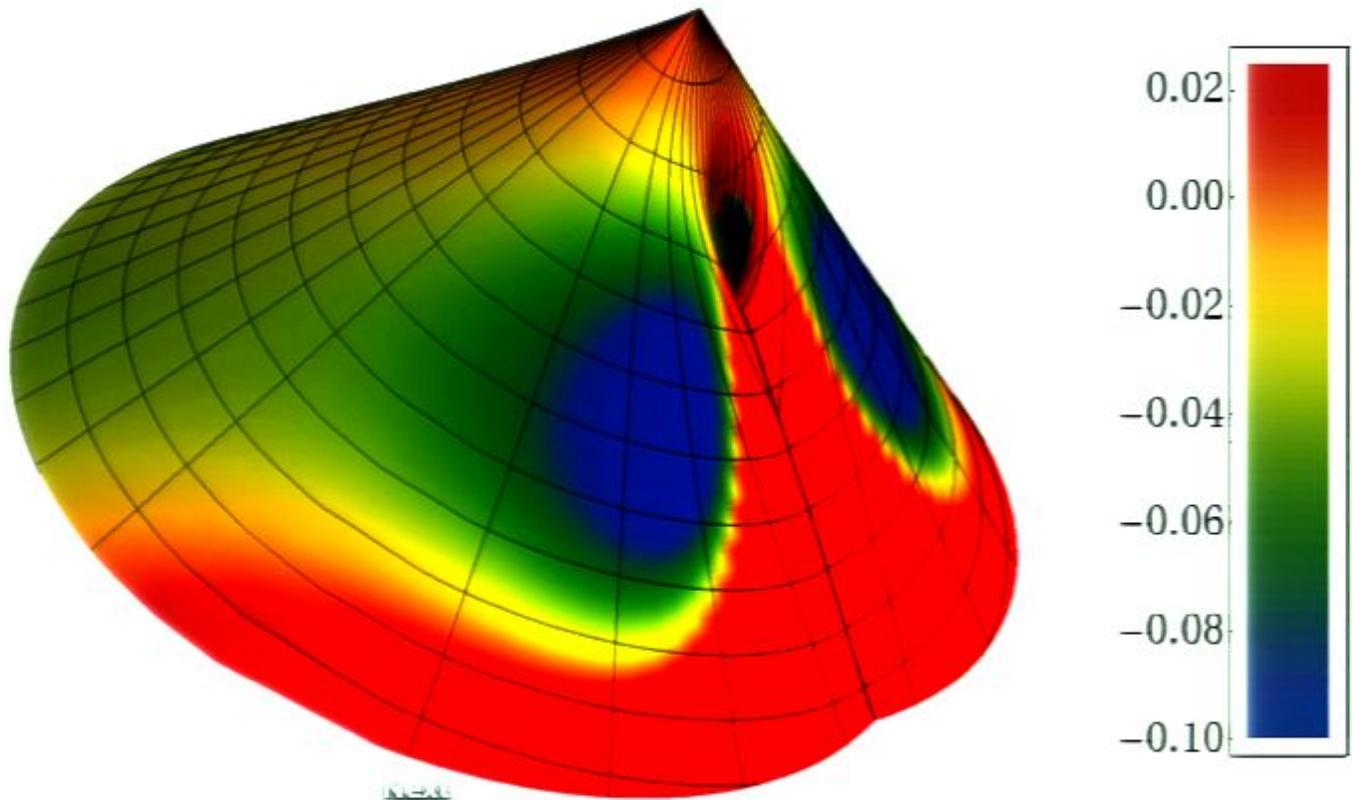
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Numerical integration of the transport equations for $\Delta^{1/2}(x, x')$ and $V_0(x, x')$ along a geodesic.



Numerical Calculation on-light cone

Numerically integrate the transport equations (ODEs) for $V_0(x, x')$ along null geodesics to get $V(x, x')$ on the light-cone.



Numerical Calculation on-light cone

- $V(x, x')$ satisfies the homogeneous wave equation:

$$(\square - m^2 - P) V(x, x') = 0$$

- Characteristic initial data given by values on the light-cone.
- Numerically solve wave equation for $V(x, x')$ within the light-cone.

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Is Quasi-Local enough?

- No!
- Can calculate the Hadamard Green function everywhere in the normal neighborhood
- But, that's not enough for the self force - the Distant Part Green function is crucial

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Mode-sum decomposition

For a spherically symmetric space-time of the form

$$ds^2 = -f(r)dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + h(r)(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$$

$$G_{\text{ret}} = \frac{1}{2\pi[h(r)h(r')]^{1/2}} \int_{-\infty+ic}^{+\infty+ic} d\omega \sum_{l=0}^{+\infty} (2l+1)P_l(\cos \gamma) e^{-i\omega(t-t')} \frac{u_{l\omega}(r_<)v_{l\omega}(r_>)}{f(r)W[u, v]}$$

Introducing r_* by $\frac{dr_*}{dr} = \frac{1}{f(r)}$, u, v satisfy

$$\frac{d^2u}{dr_*^2} + \left[\omega^2 - \frac{f(r)}{h(r)} \left((l_{\text{next}} + 1/2)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \right) - h^{-1/2} \frac{d^2h^{1/2}}{dr_*^2} \right] u = 0$$

Asymptotic behaviour of solutions

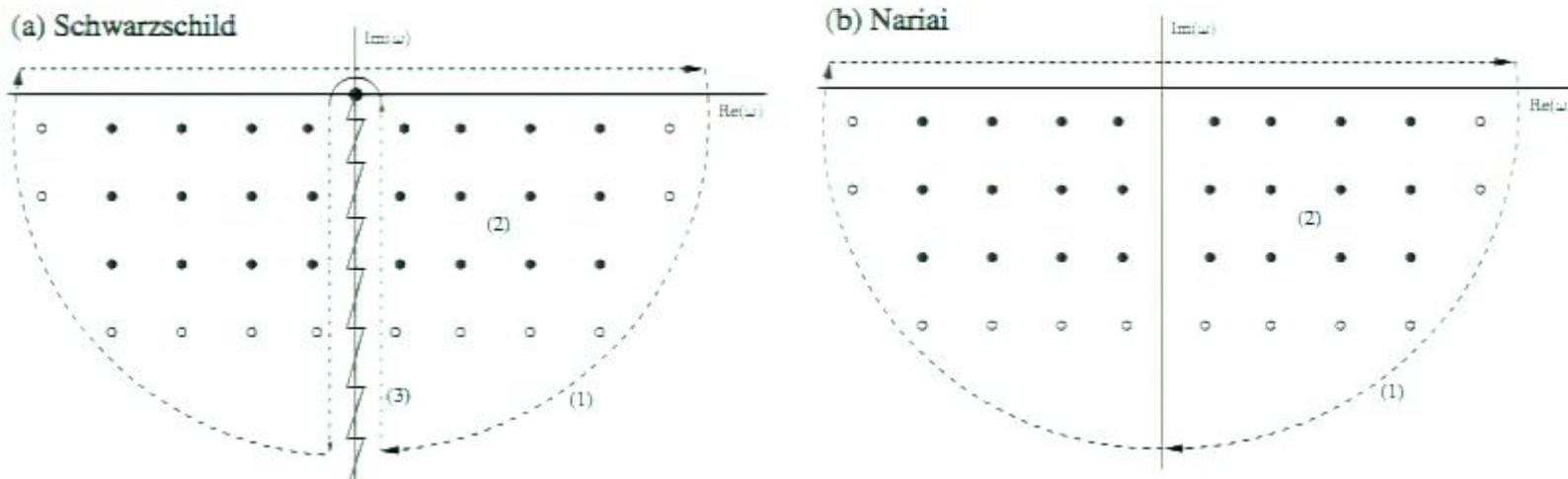
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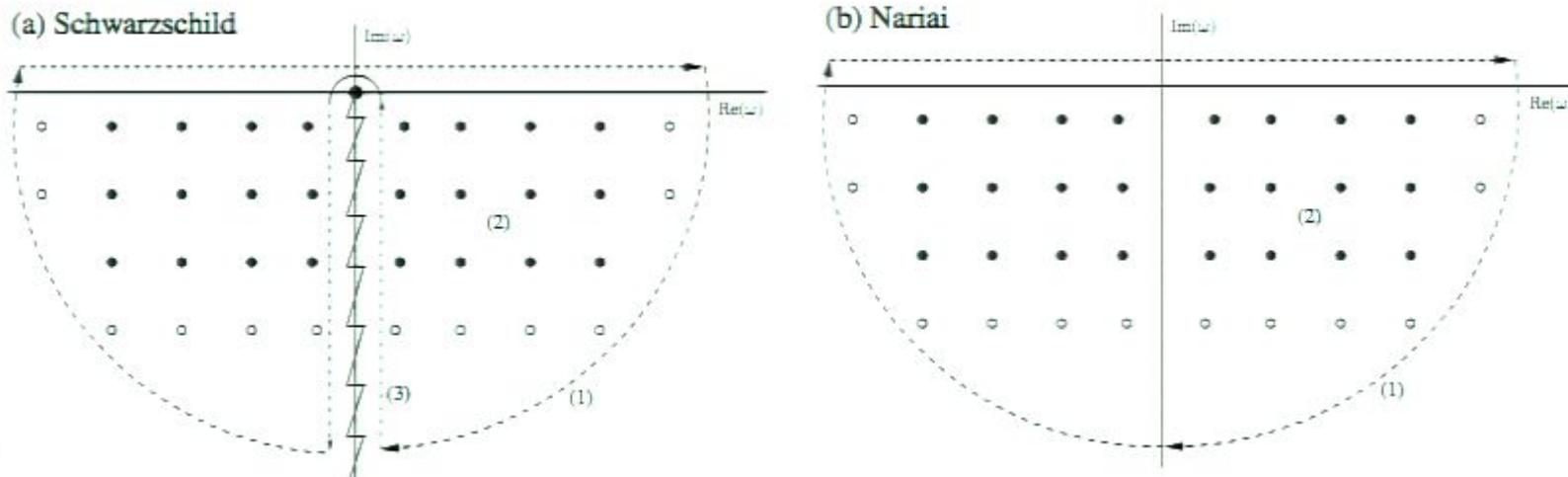
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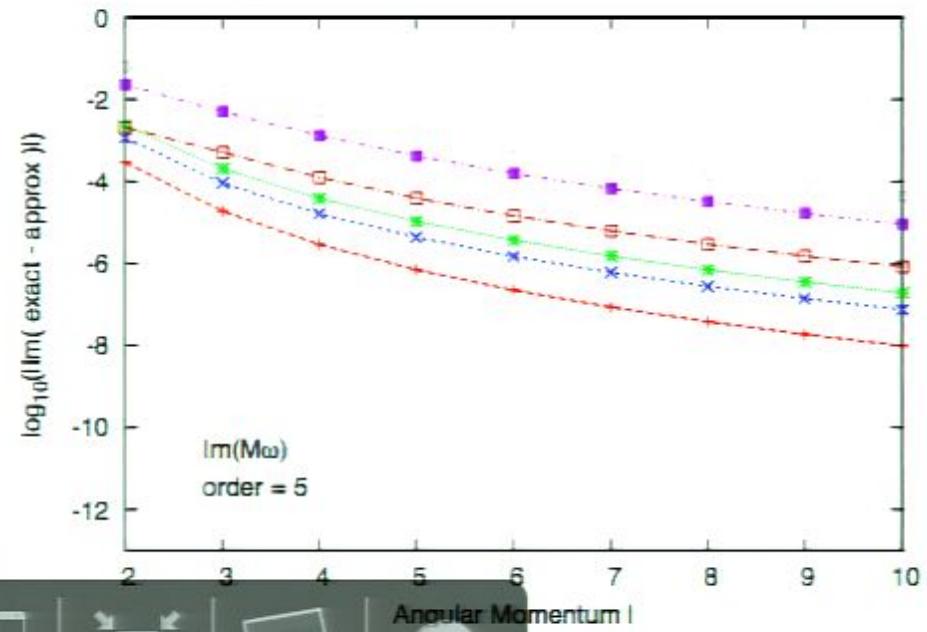
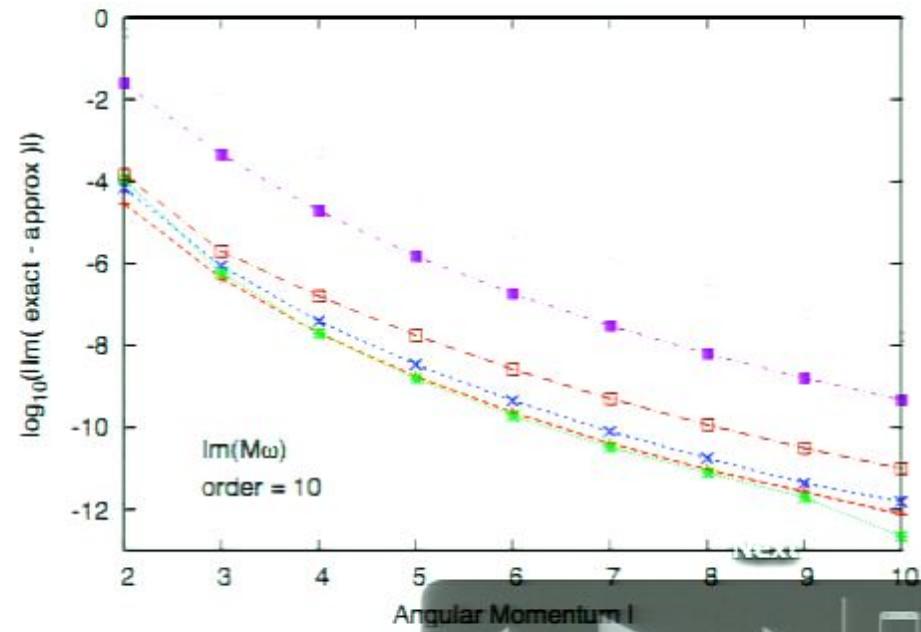
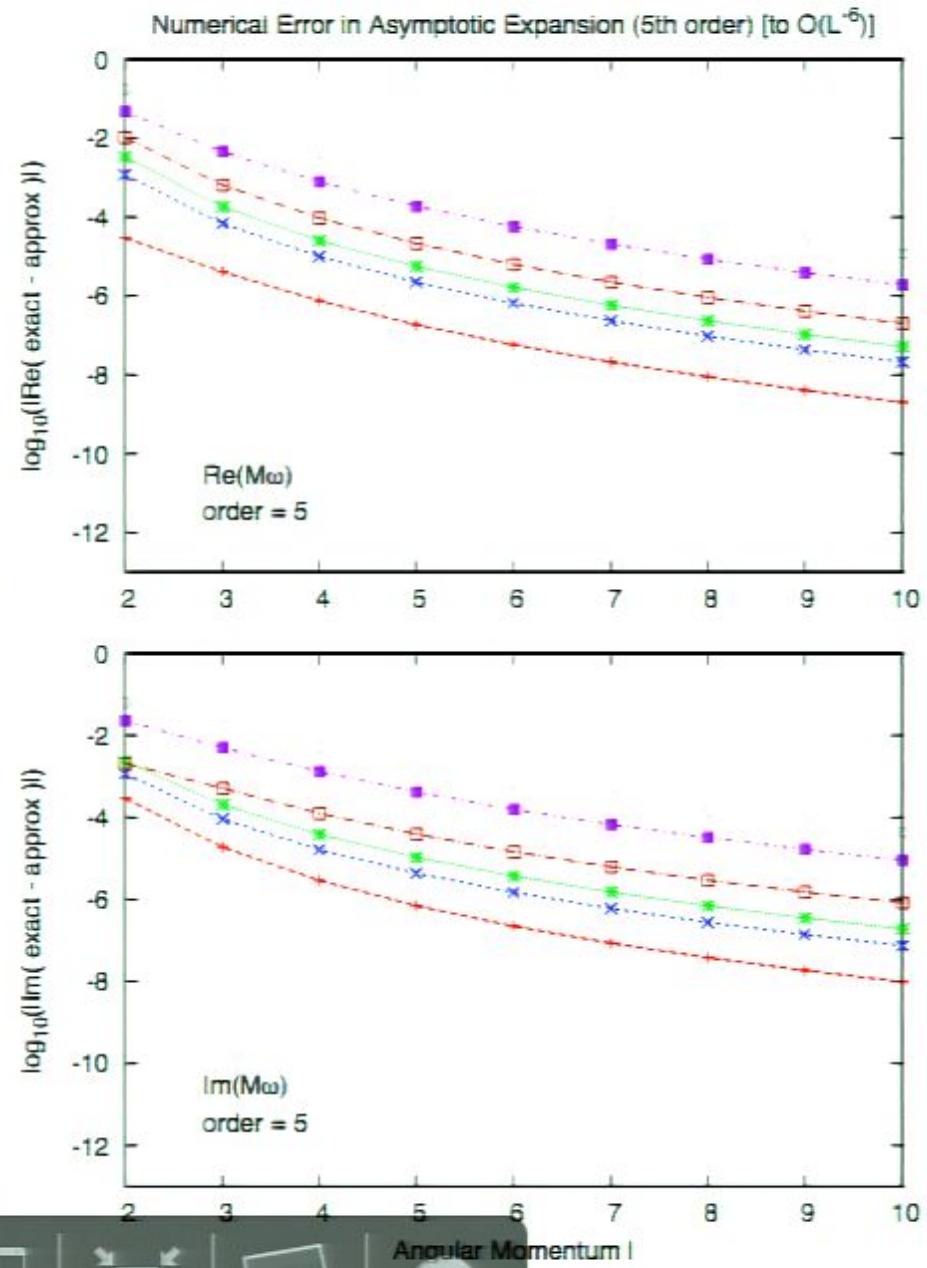
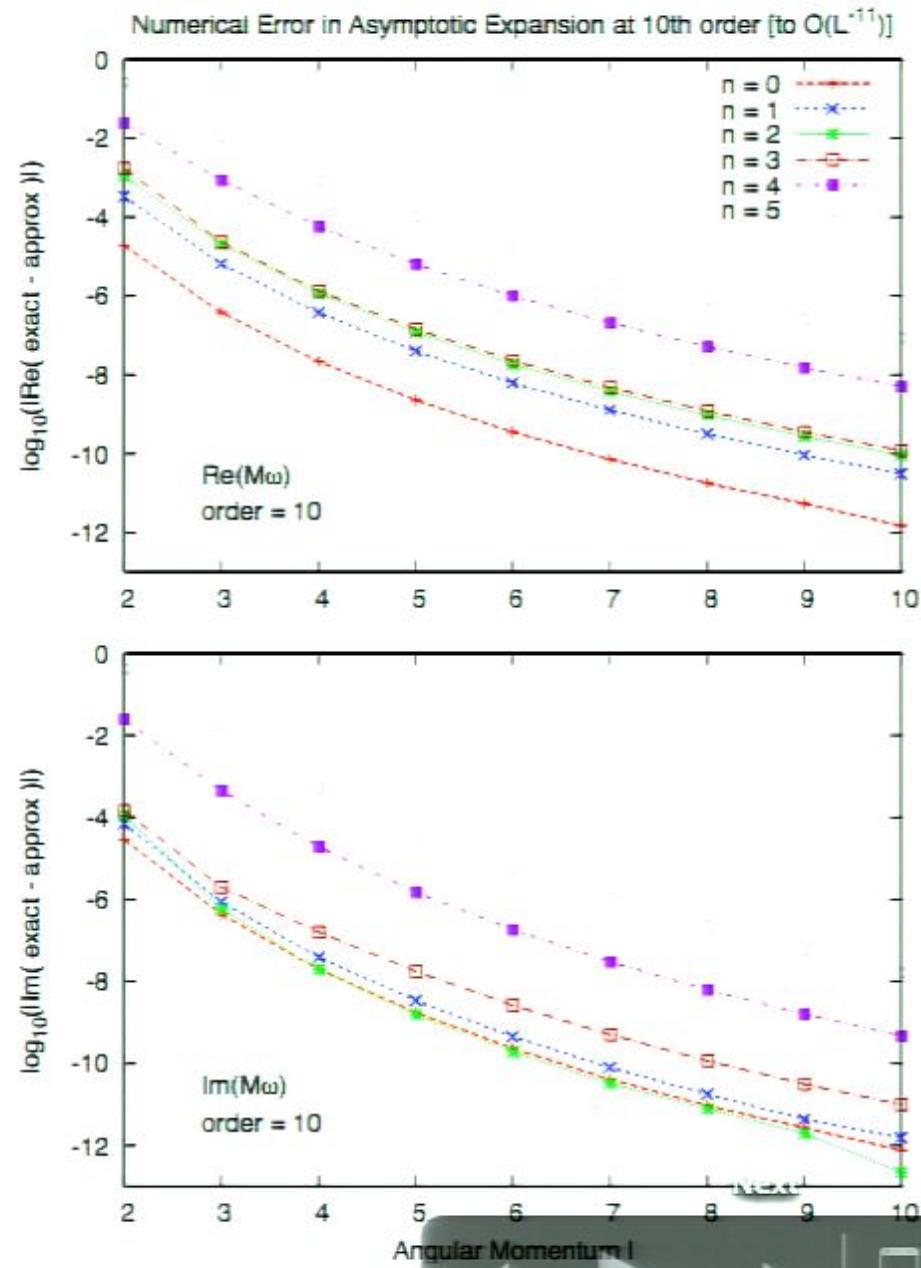
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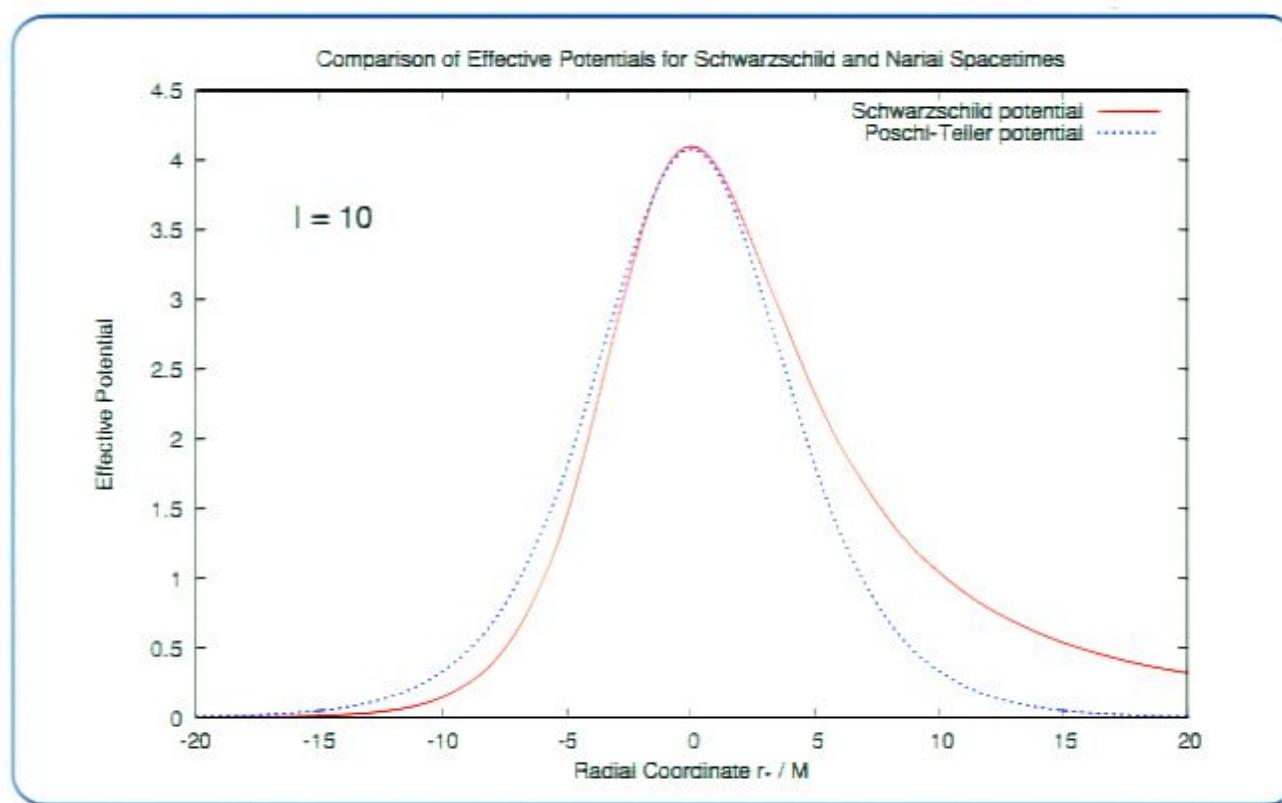
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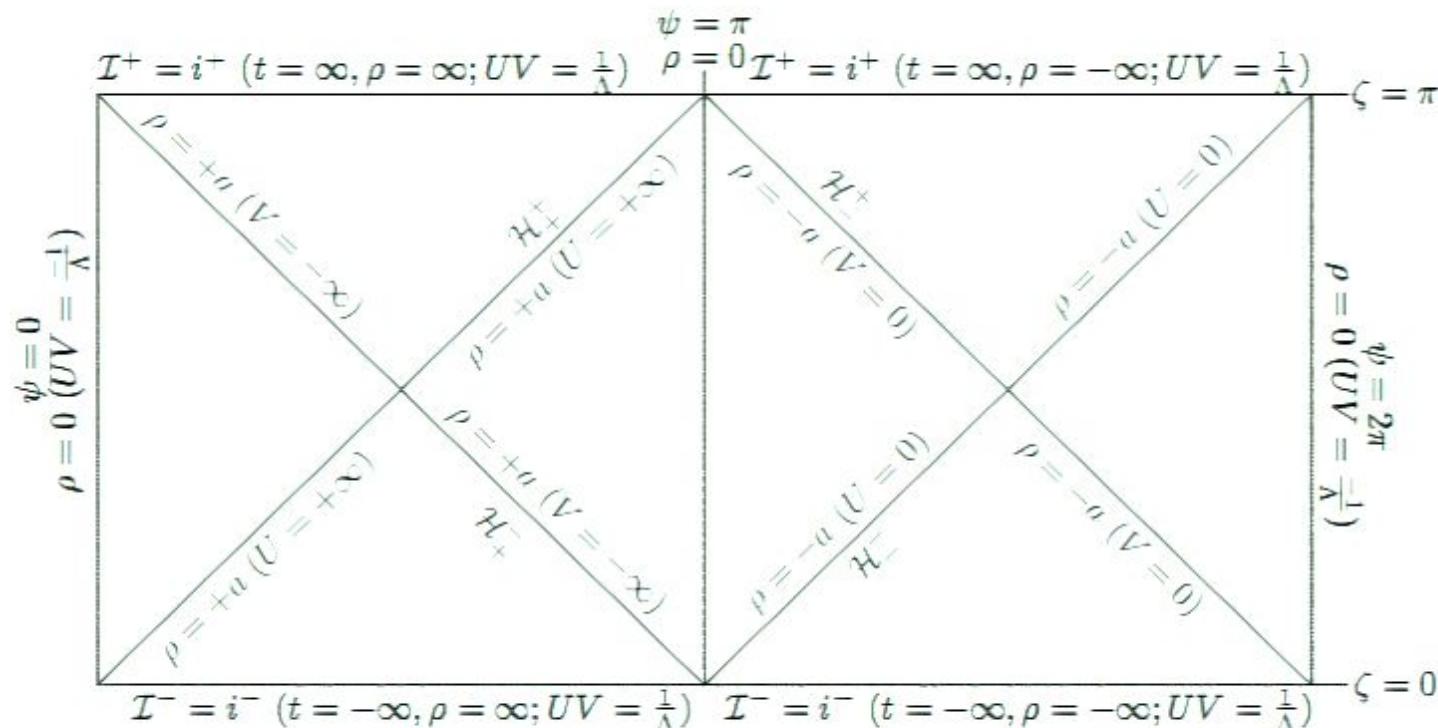
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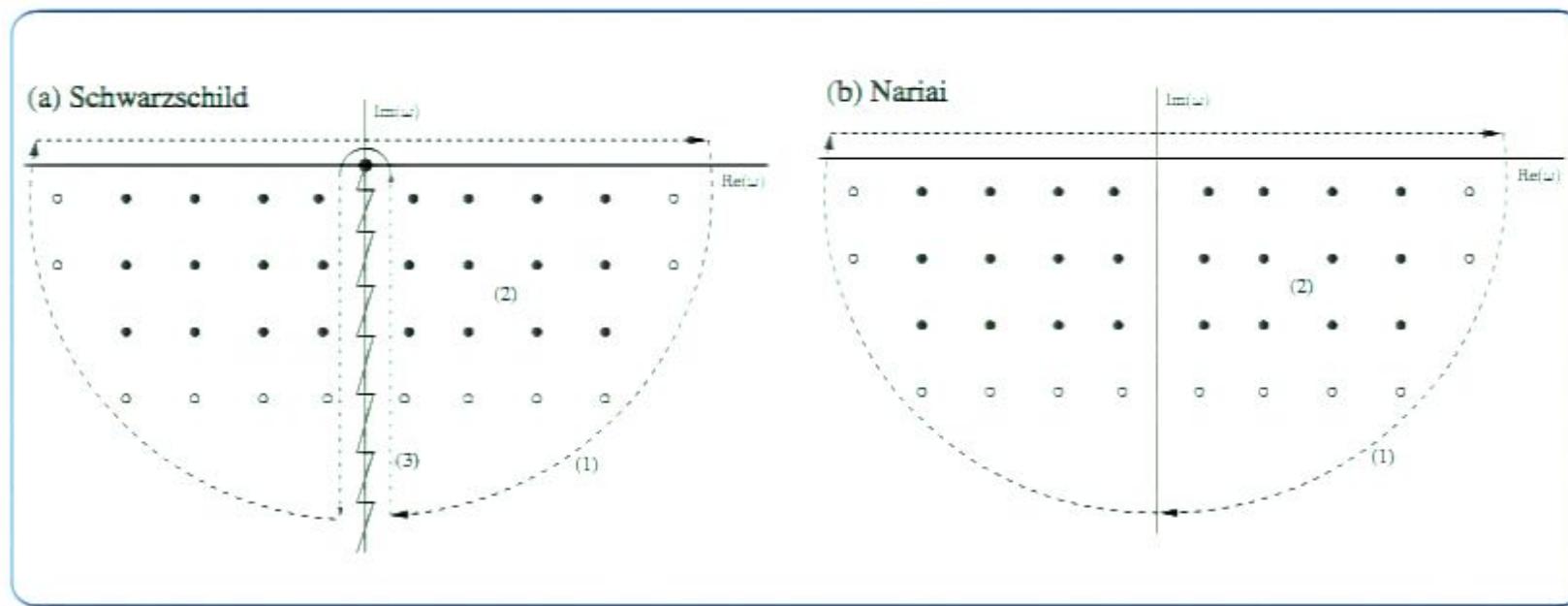
A simpler space-time: Nariai

Does the Poschl-Teller potential arise in any spacetime? yes!



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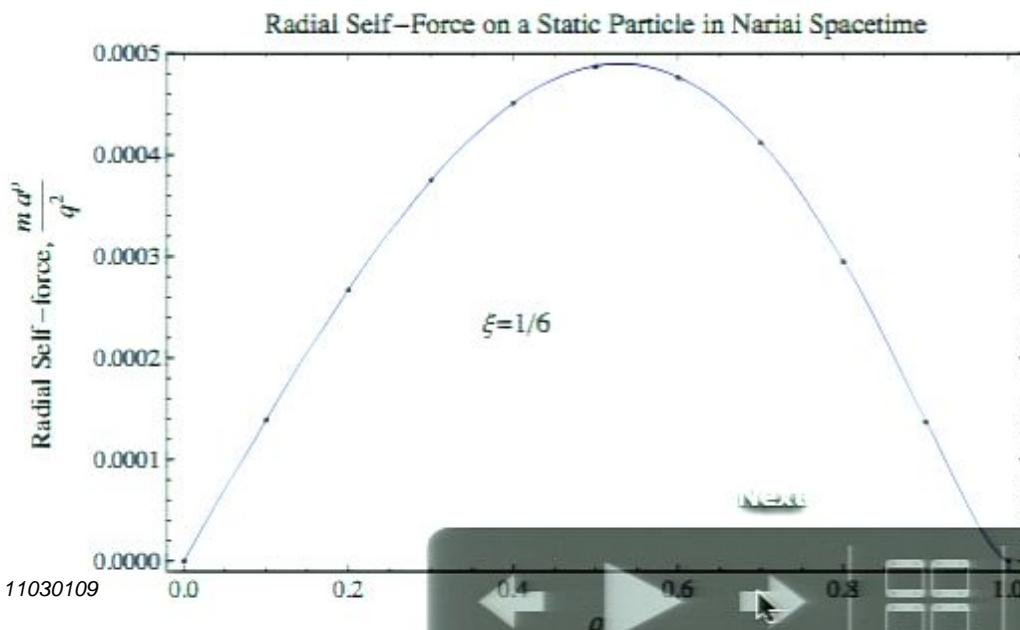
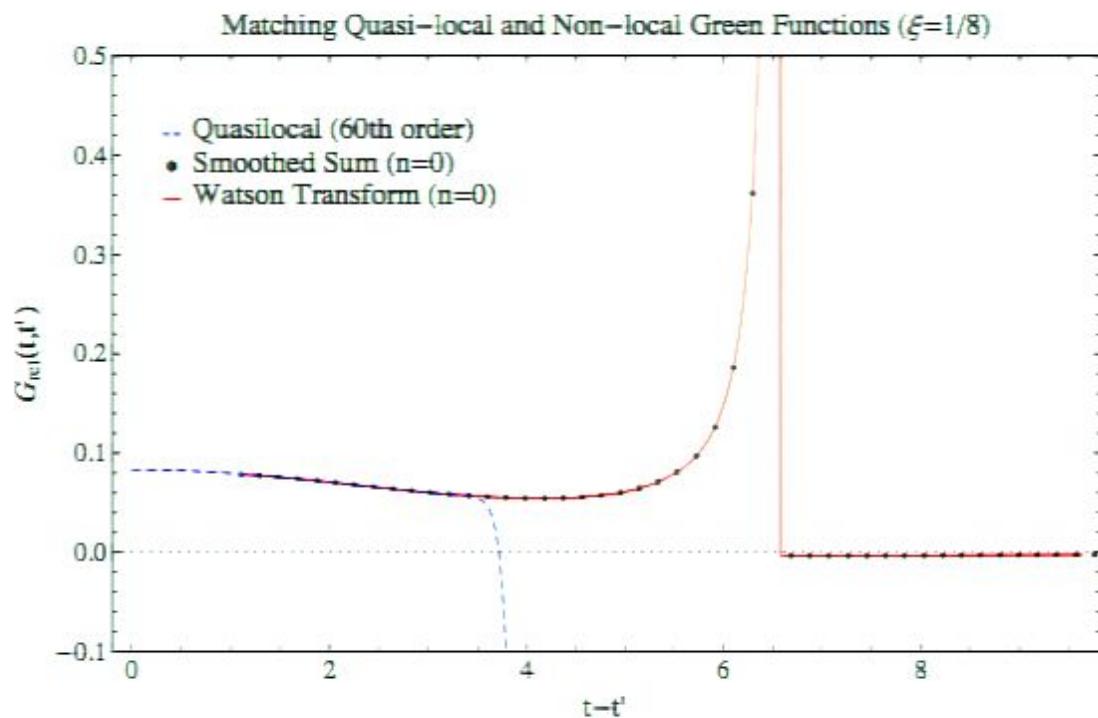
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- QNMs: poles/residues - excitation factors
- QNM n -sum divergent[convergent] for $T = t - t' - r_* - r'_* < 0$ [> 0]
- $T \sim 0$ time for light ray to go from r'_* to 0 and out to r_*

Matching QL and QNM in Nariai:

$$\gamma = 0$$



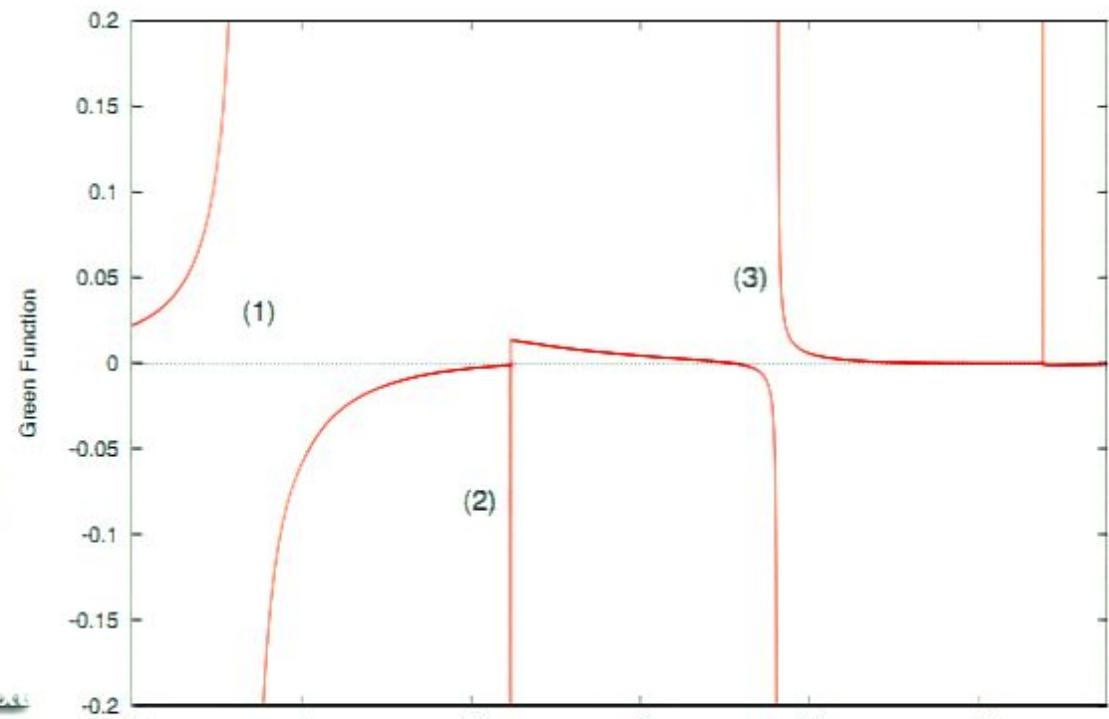
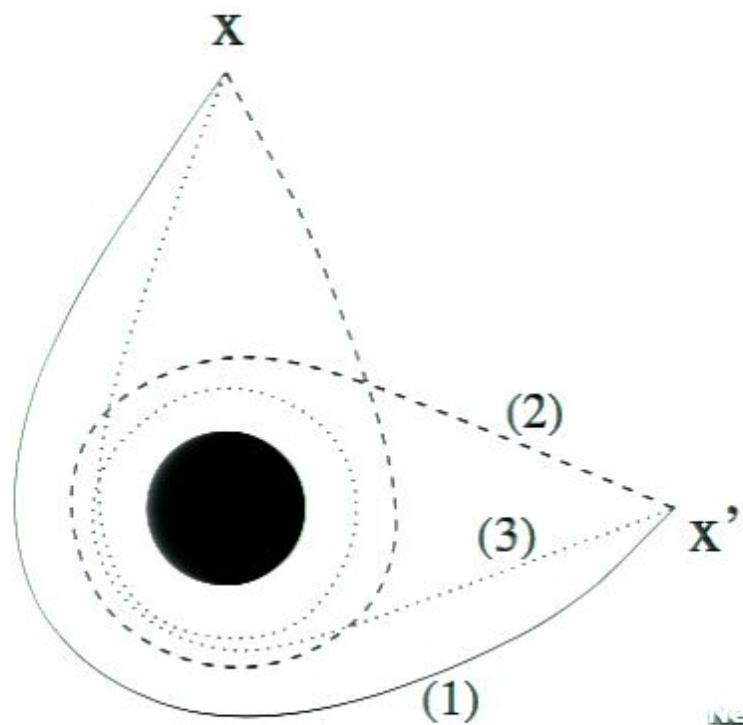
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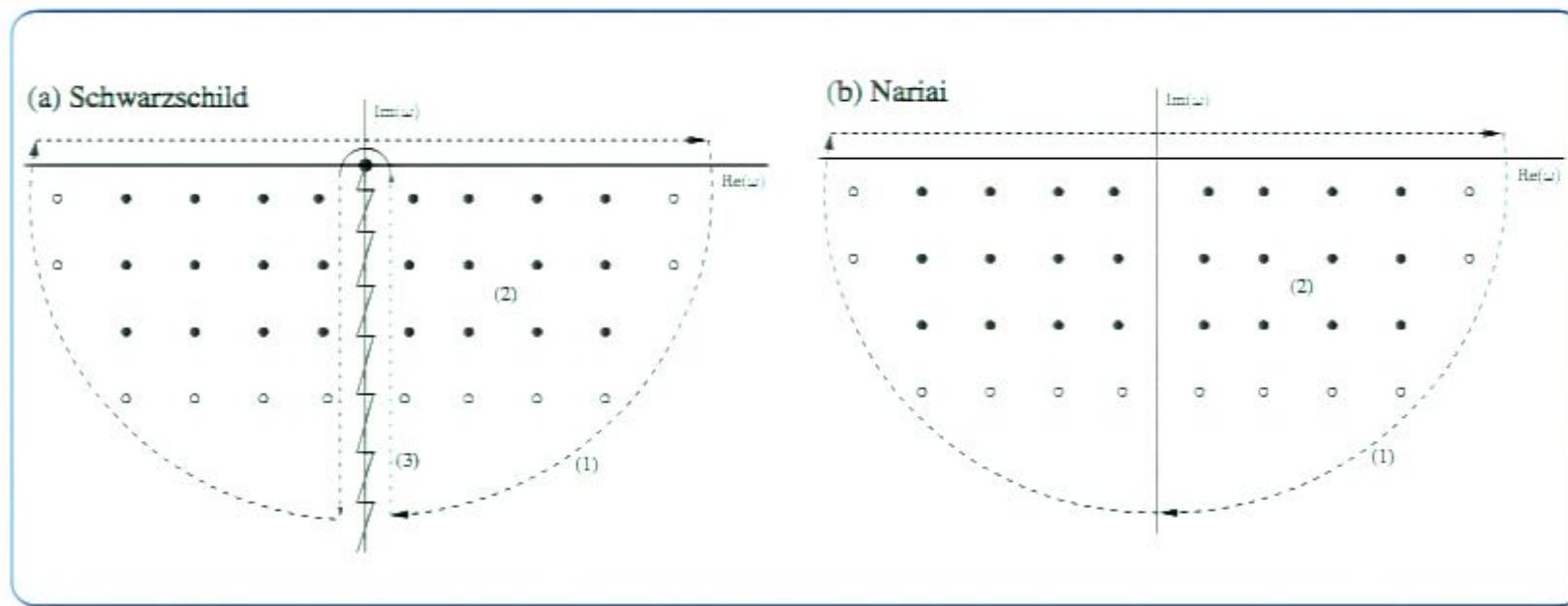
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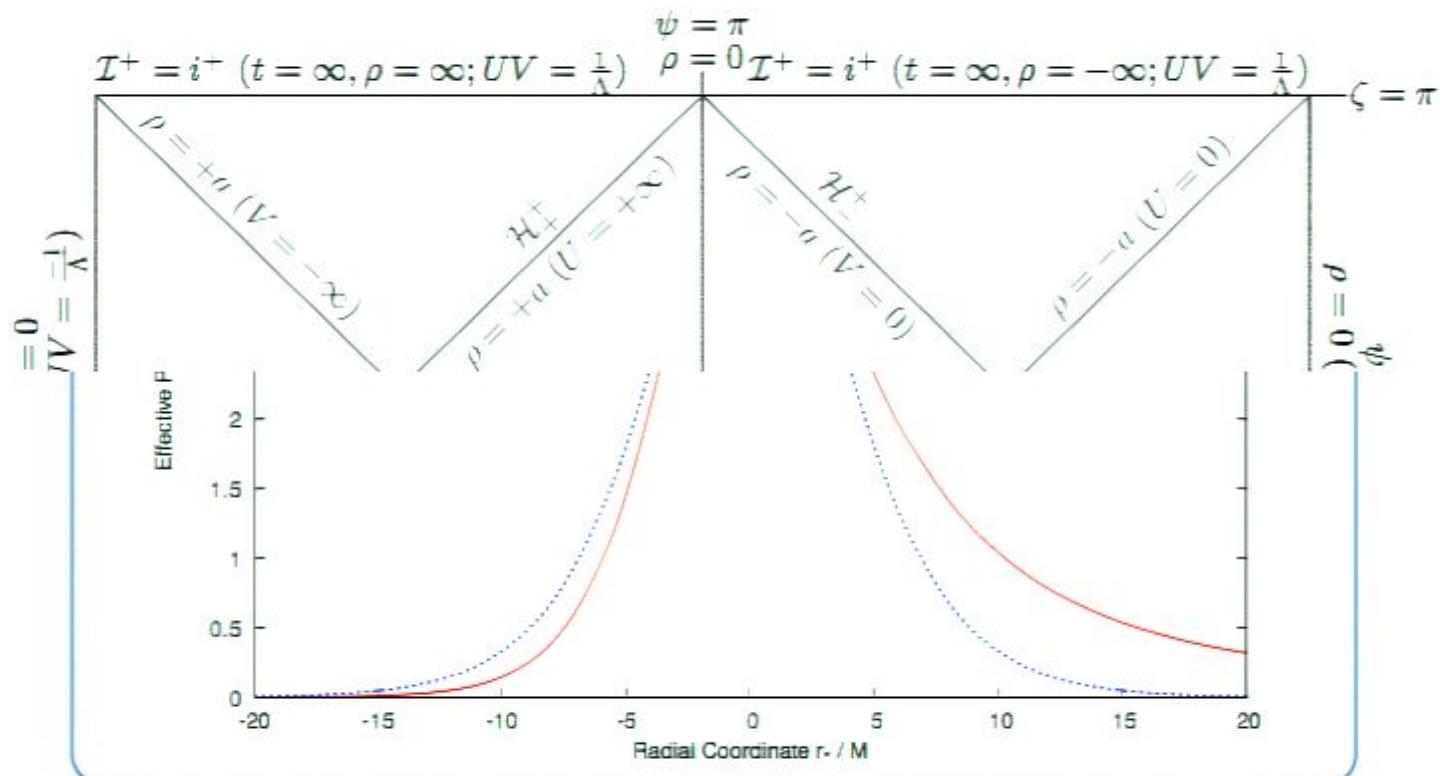
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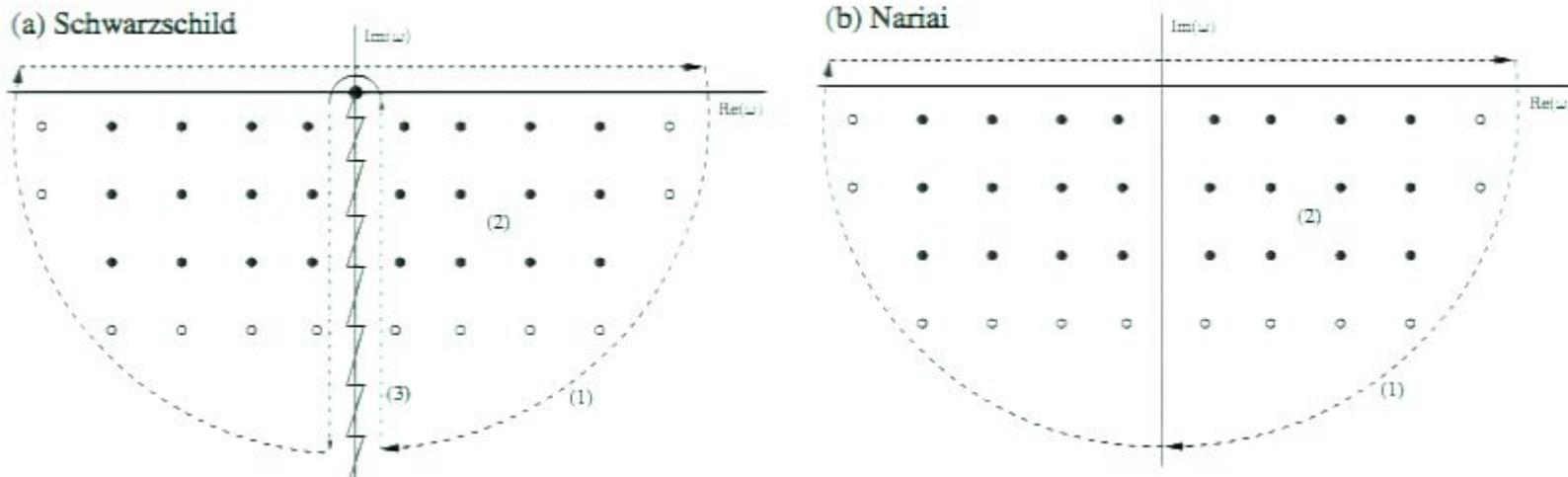
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Assume existence of an horizon $f(r_h) = 0$ where $r_* \rightarrow -\infty$ and asymptotically flat/cosmological horizon so $f(r)/h(r) \rightarrow 0$ as $r_* \rightarrow \infty$. Then

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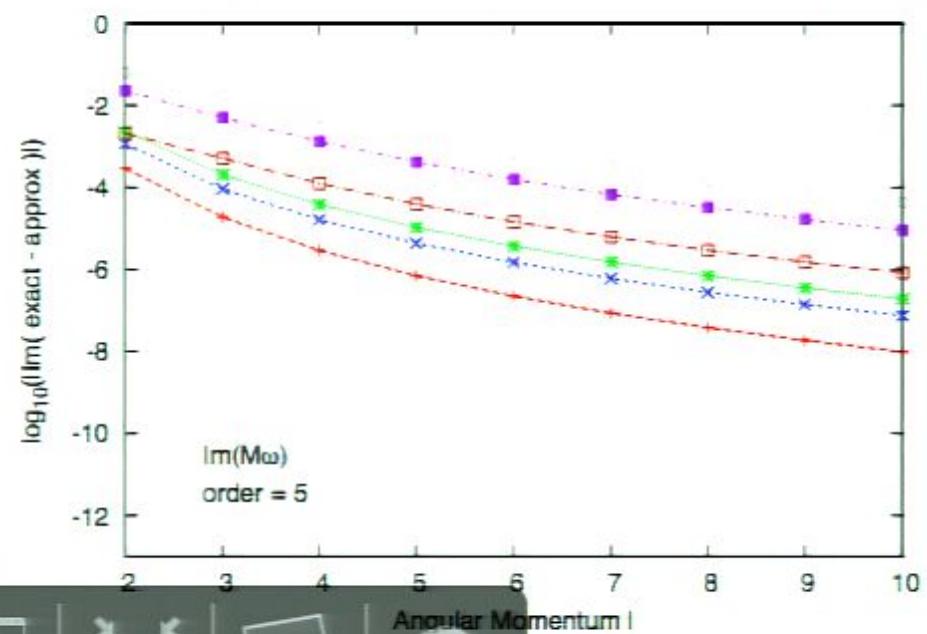
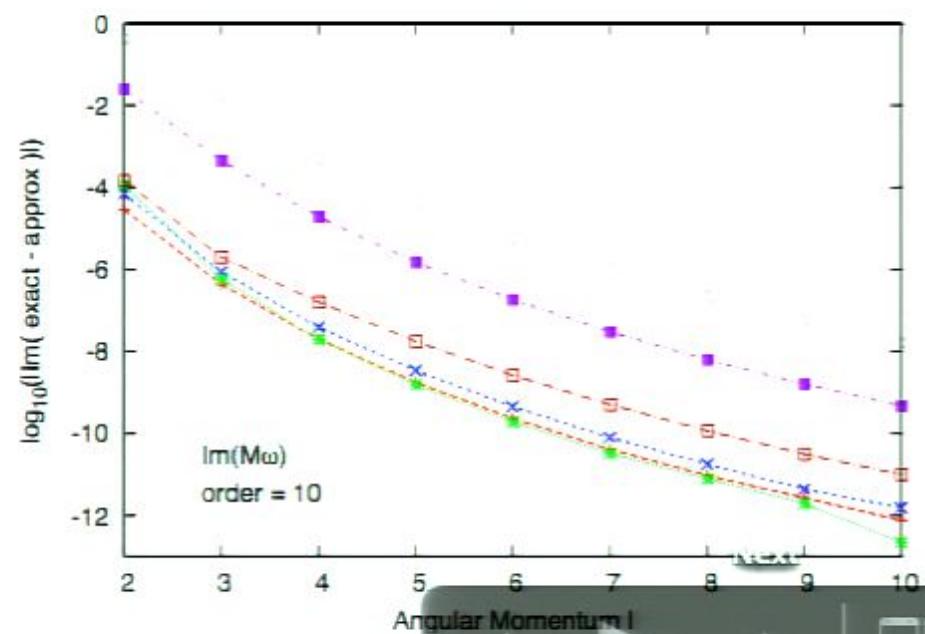
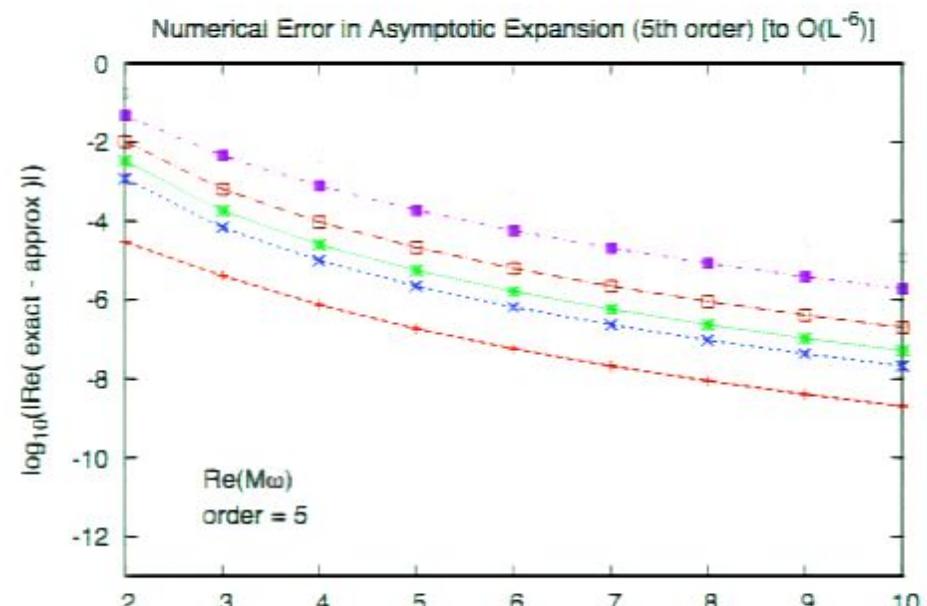
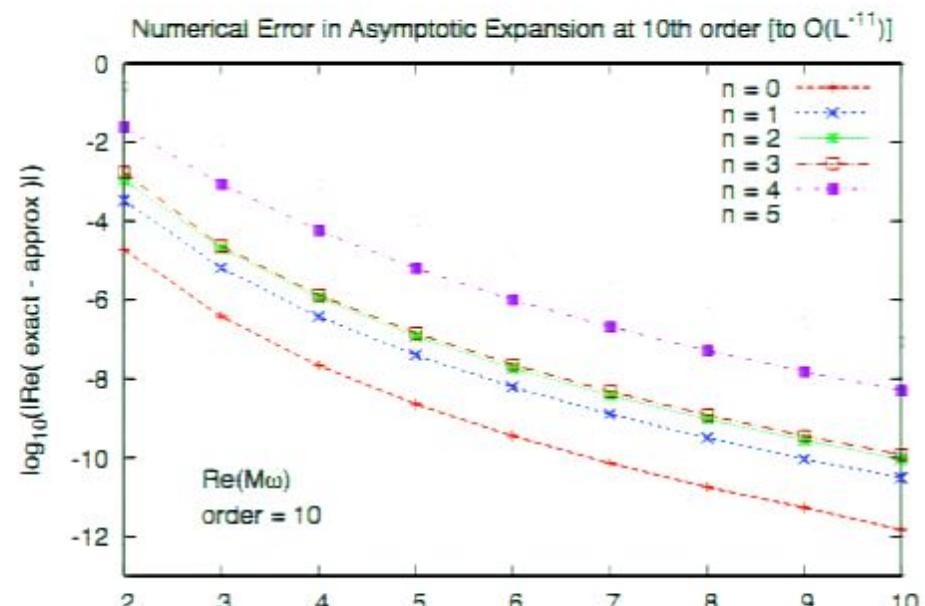
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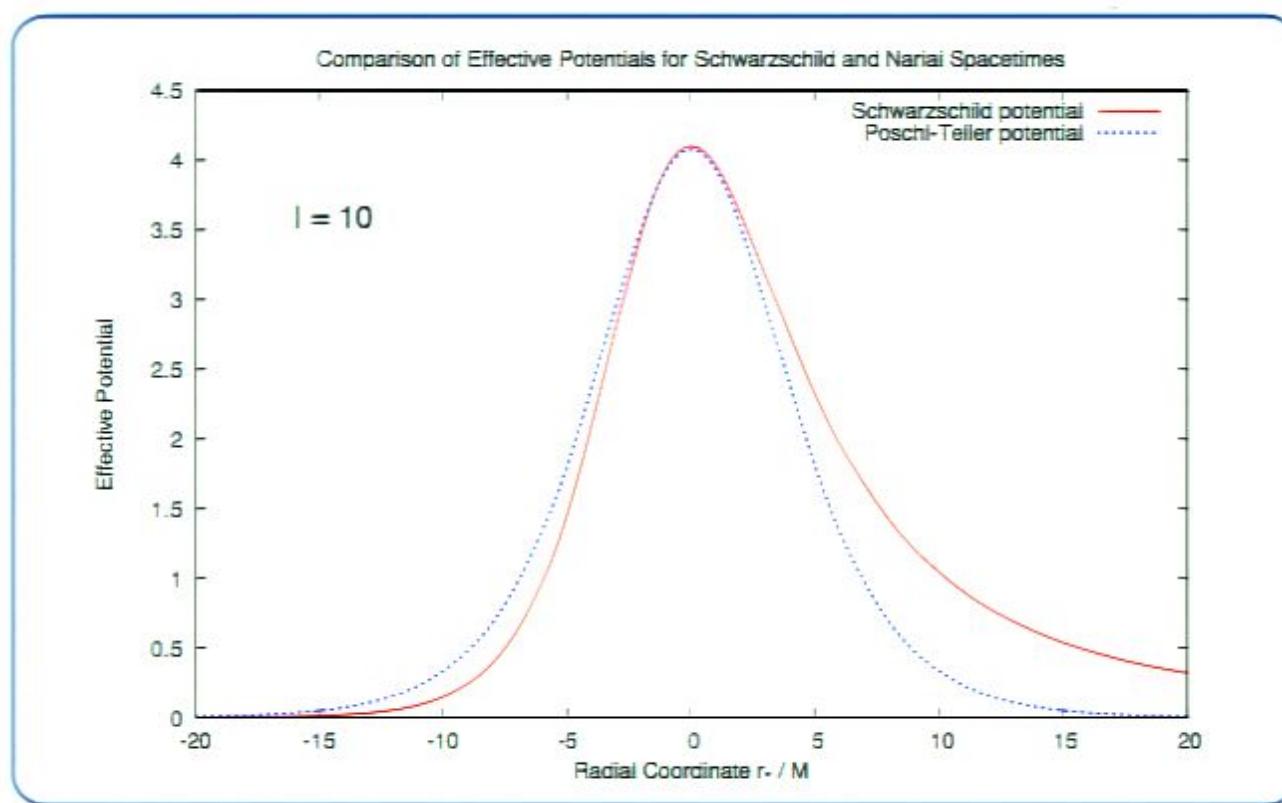
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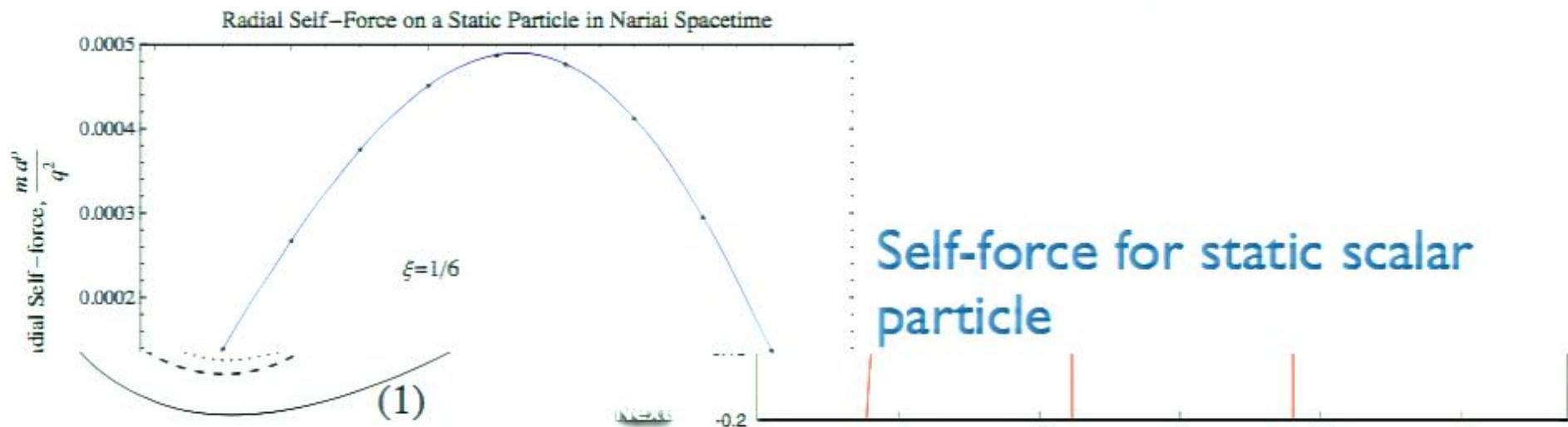
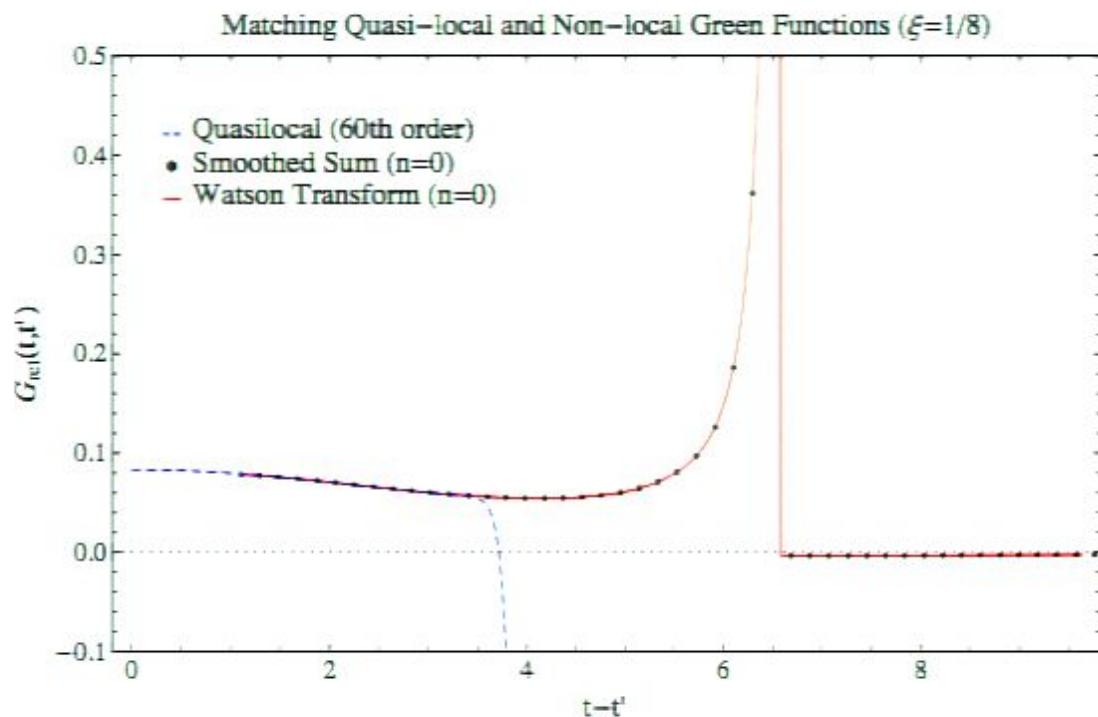
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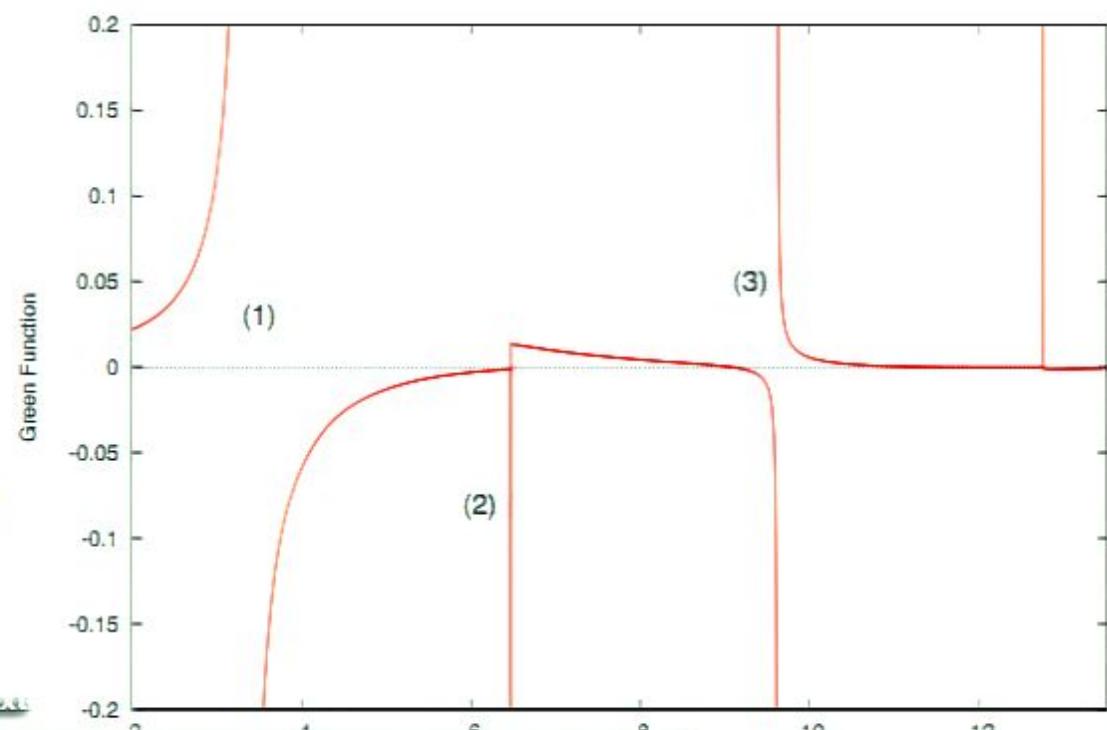
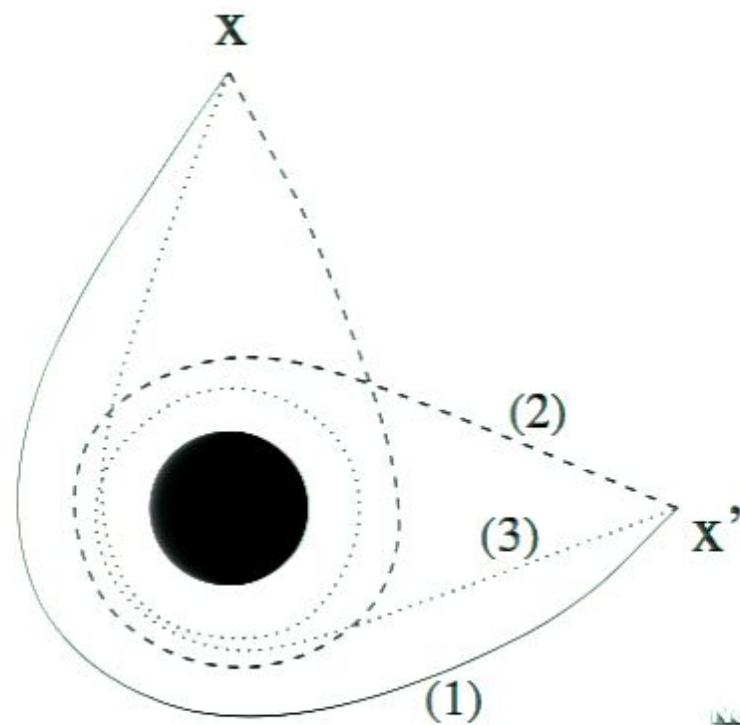


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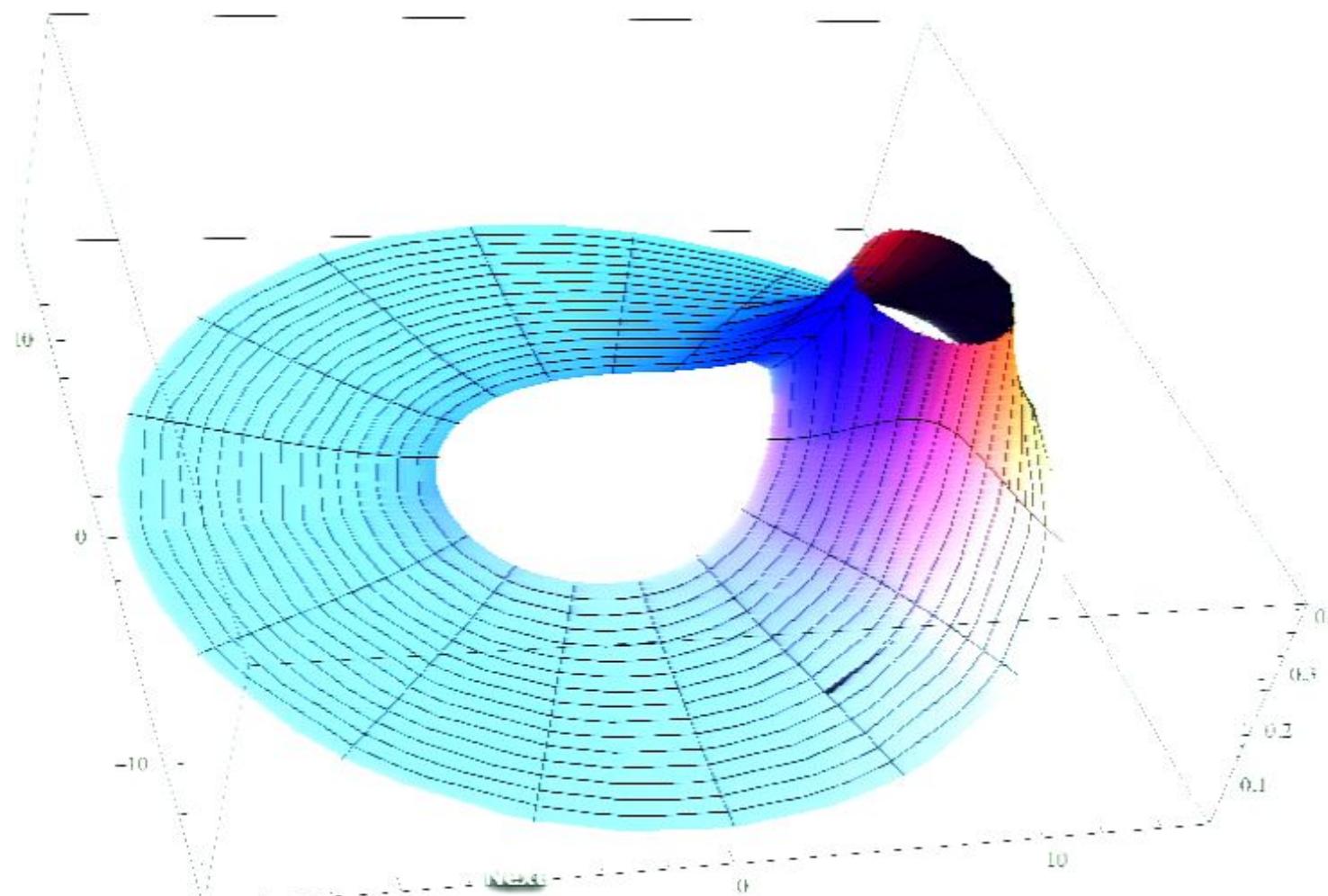
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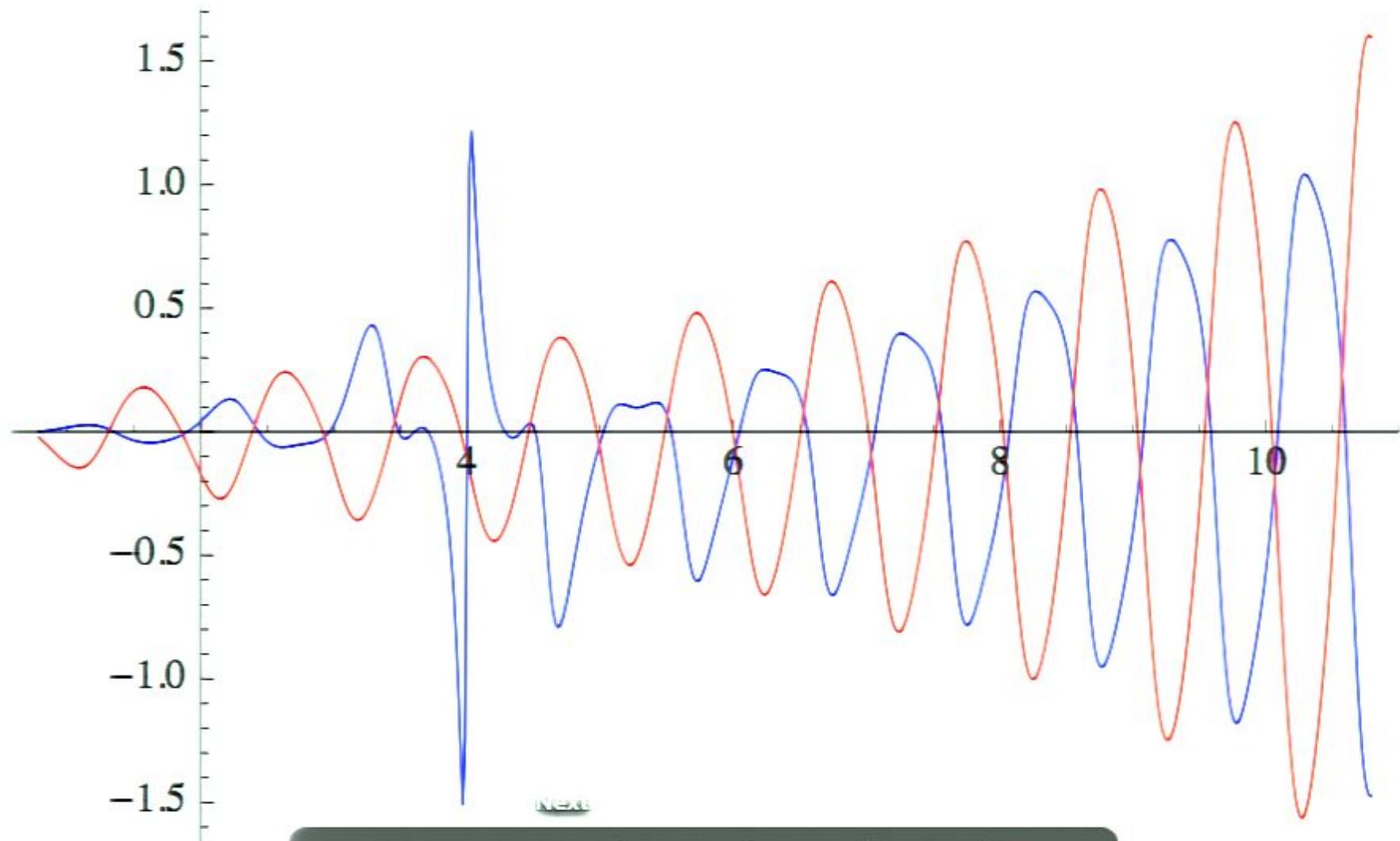
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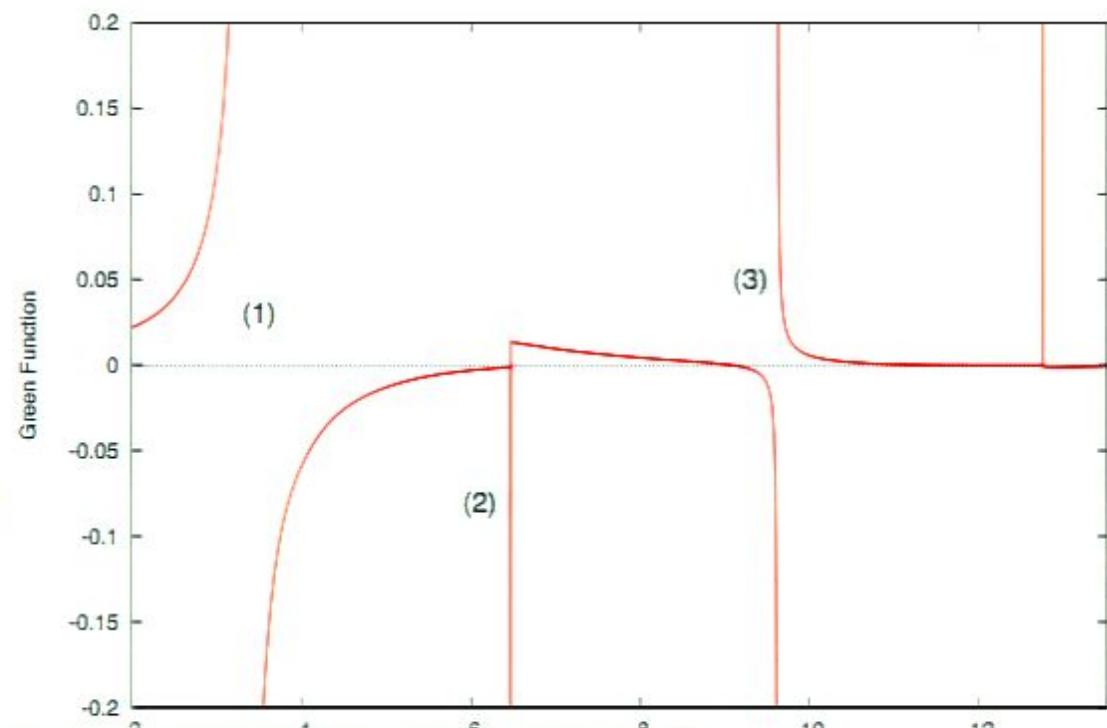
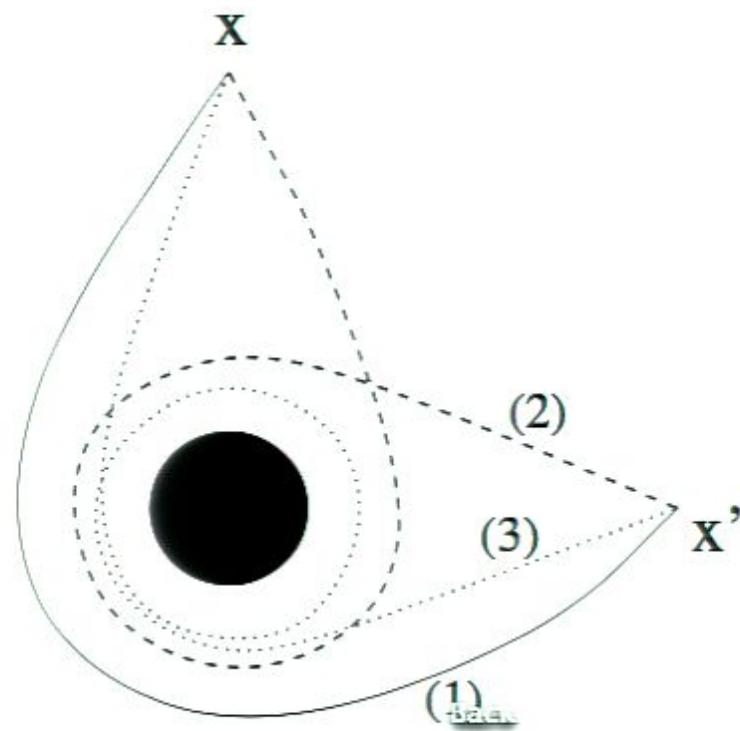
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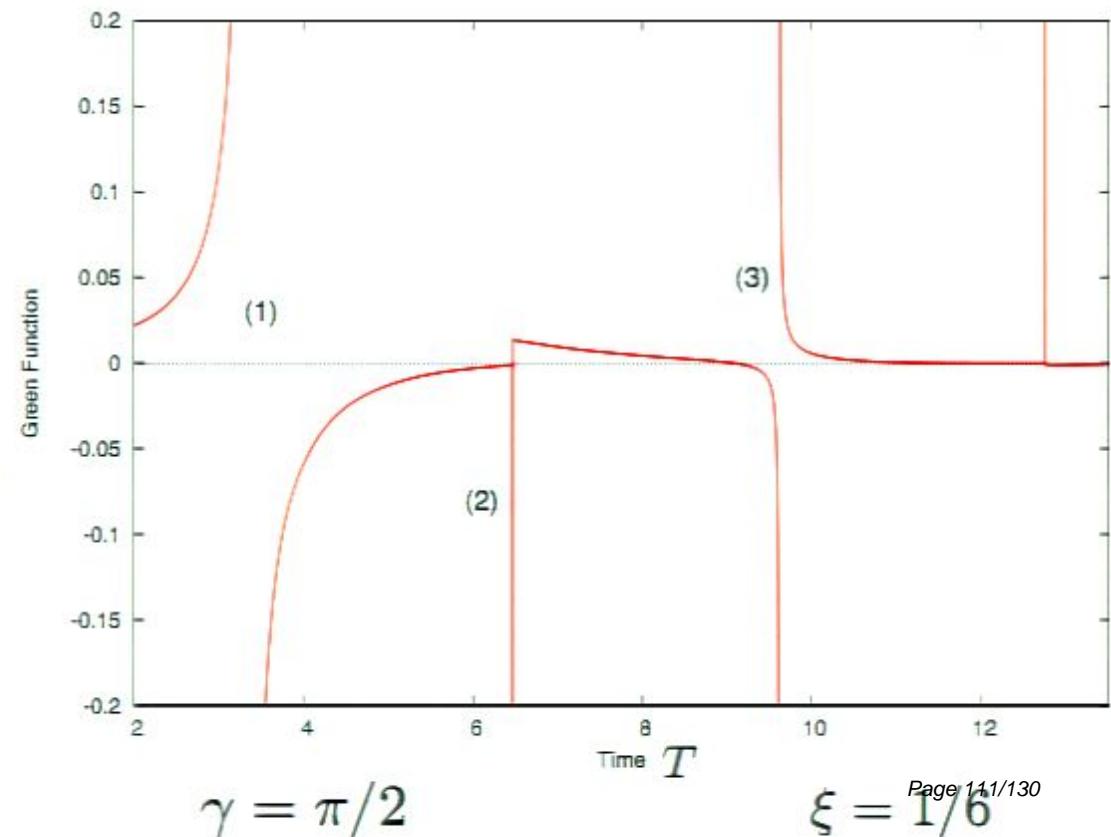
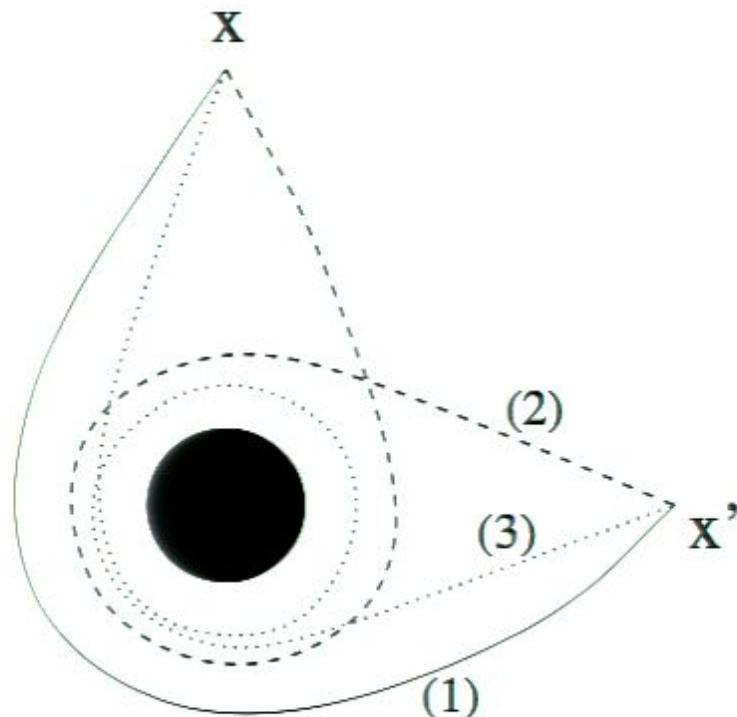


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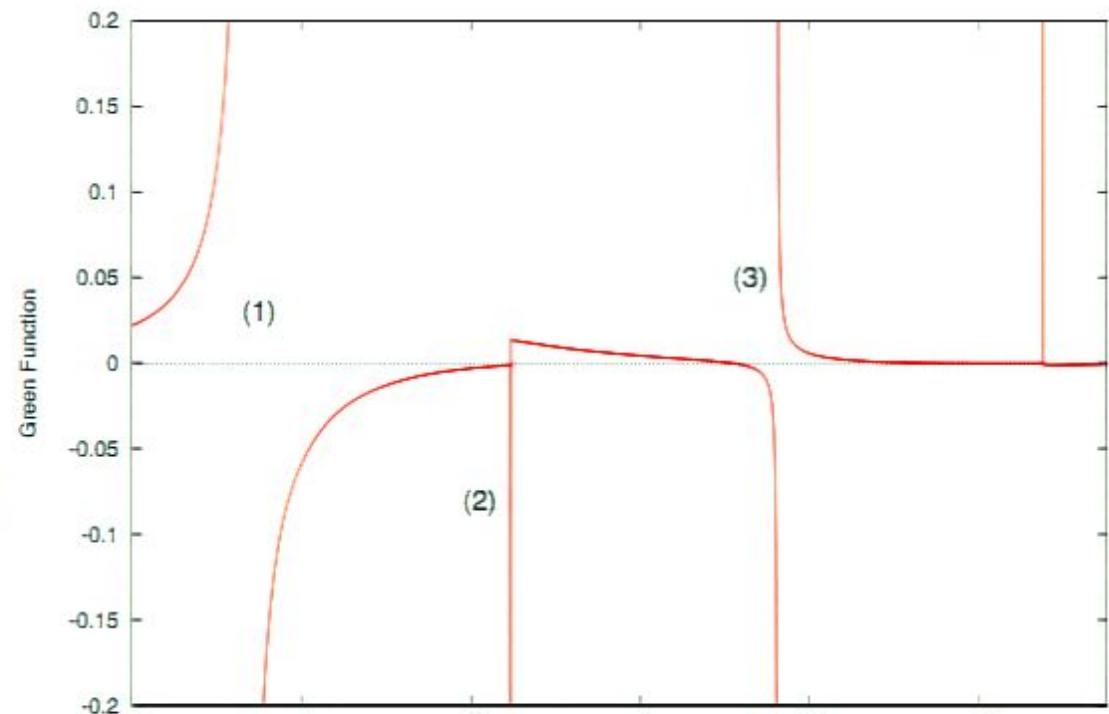
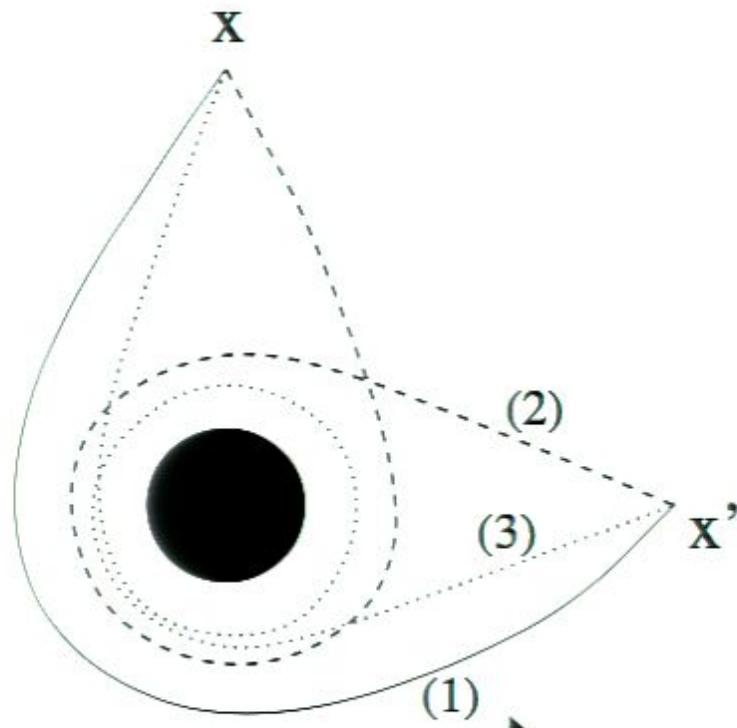


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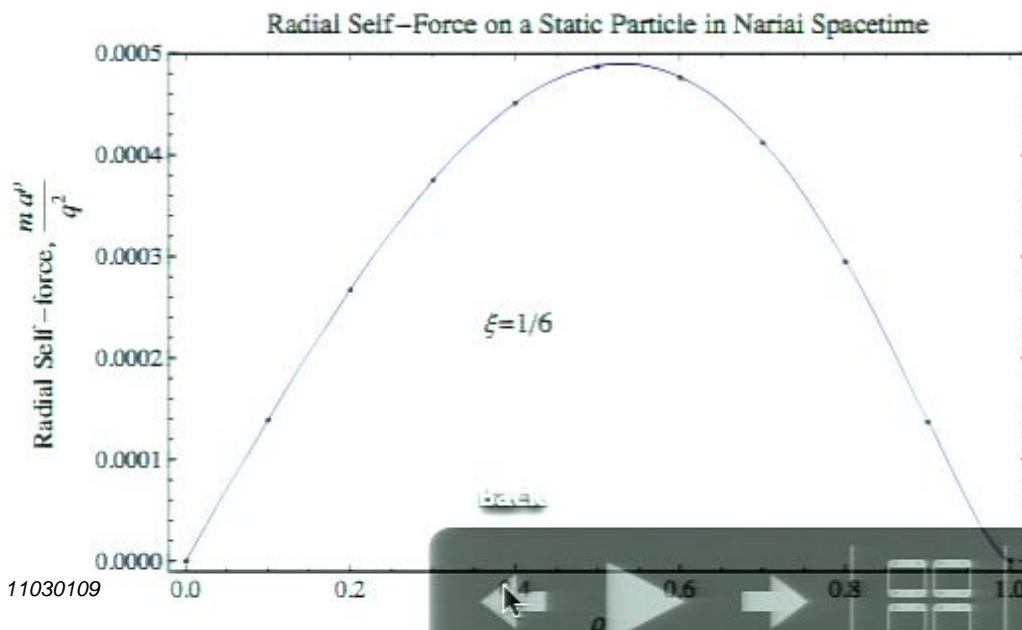
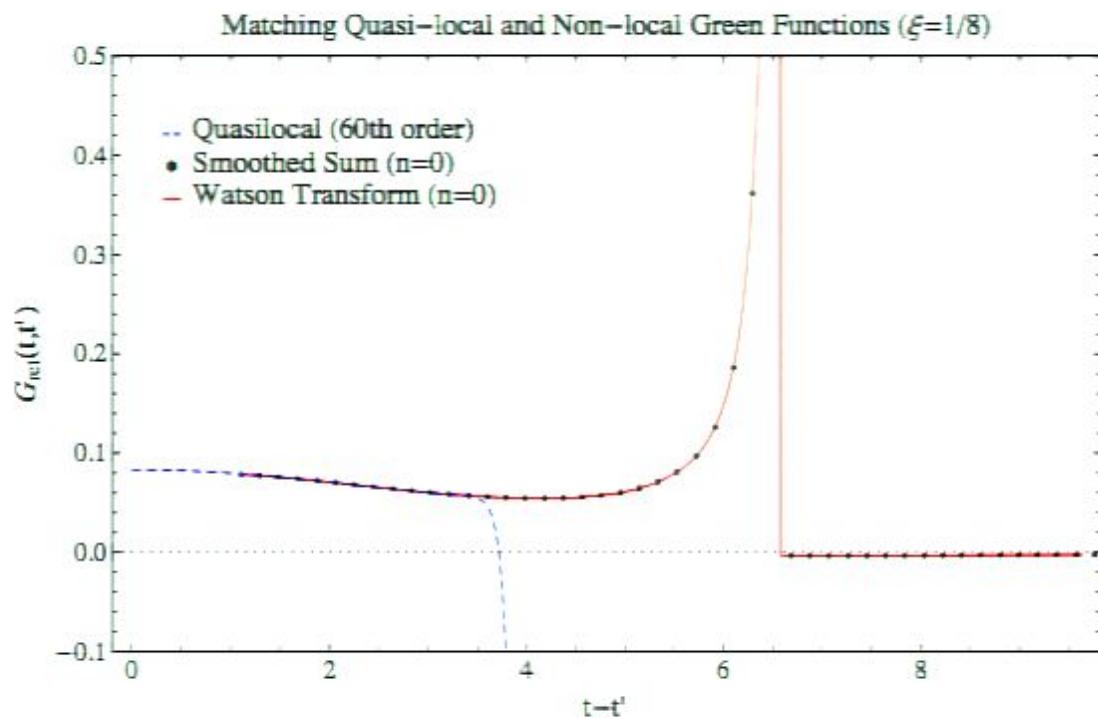
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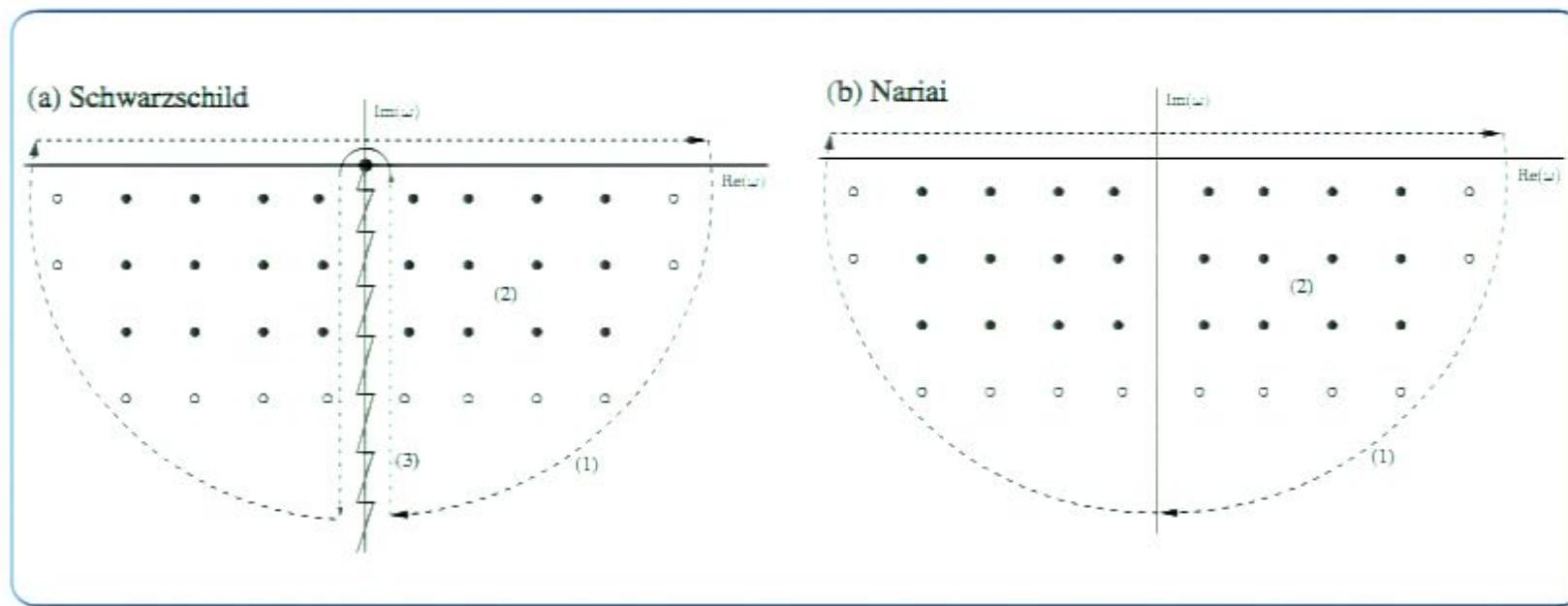
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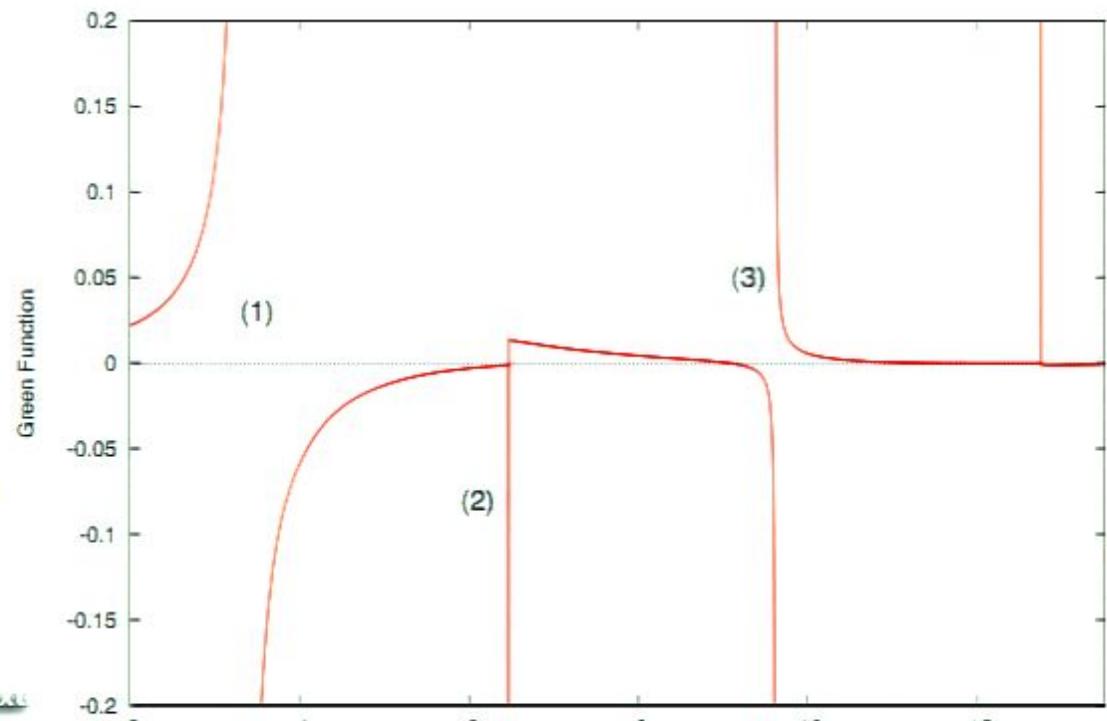
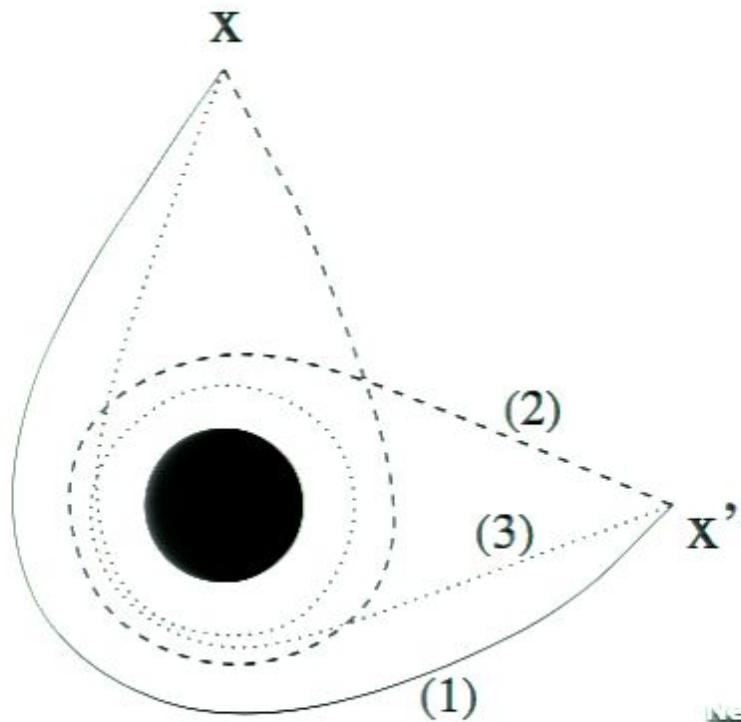
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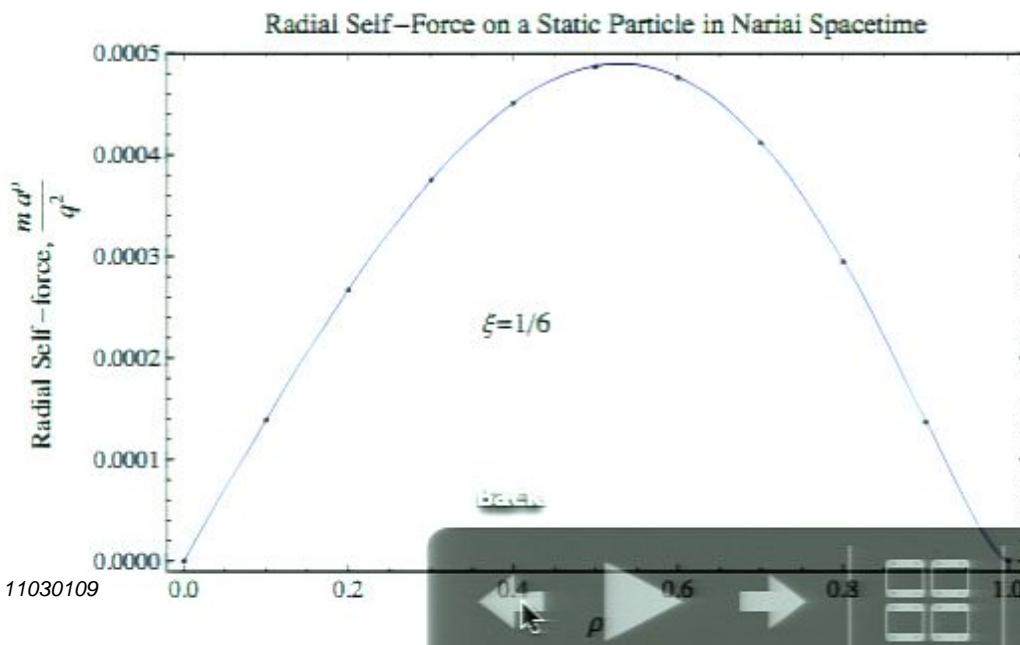
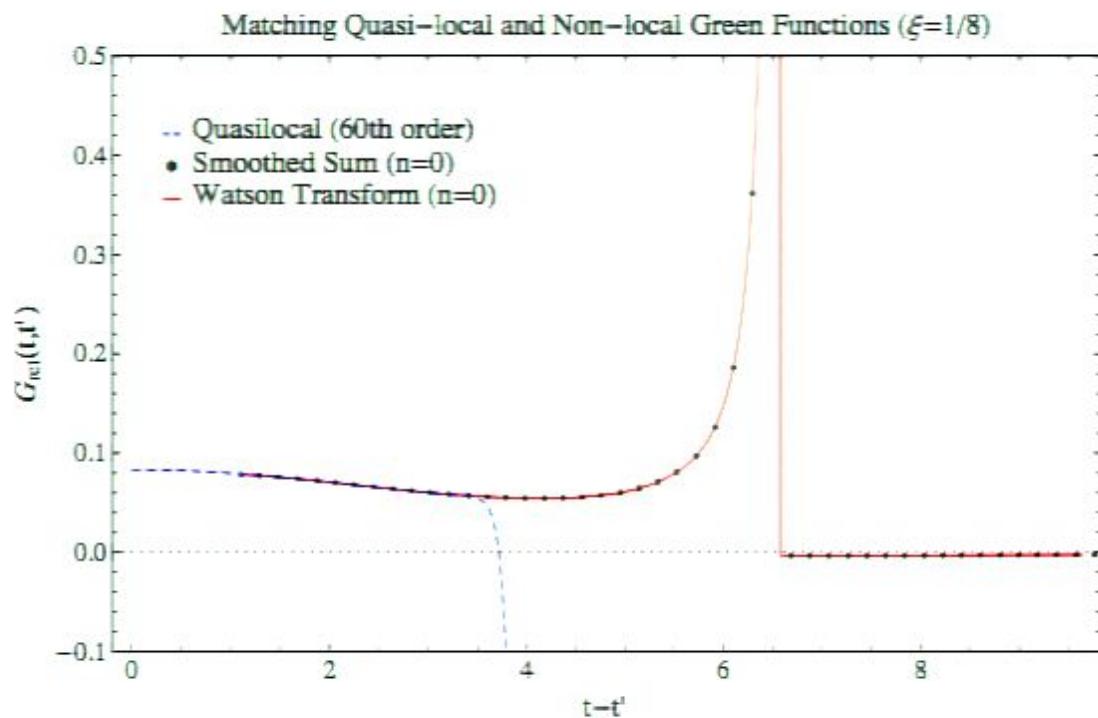
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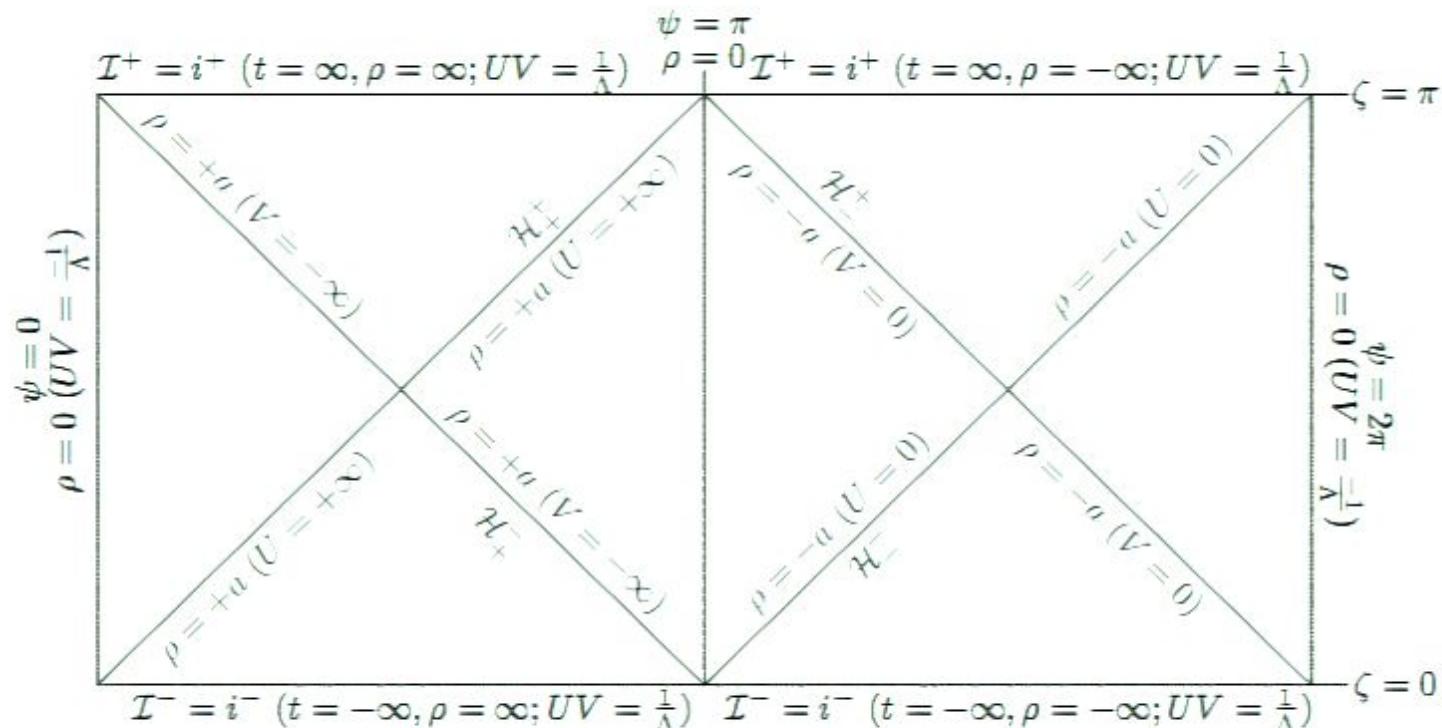
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and imposing a continuity condition on $S'_k(r)$ at $r = r_c$

	$l = 2, n = 0$	$l = 3, n = 0$
Ctd. Frac.	0.373672 – $i0.088962$	0.599444 – $i0.092703$
12th order	0.373679 – $i0.088955$	0.599443 – $i0.092703$
6th order	0.373642 – $i0.088967$	0.599439 – $i0.092684$
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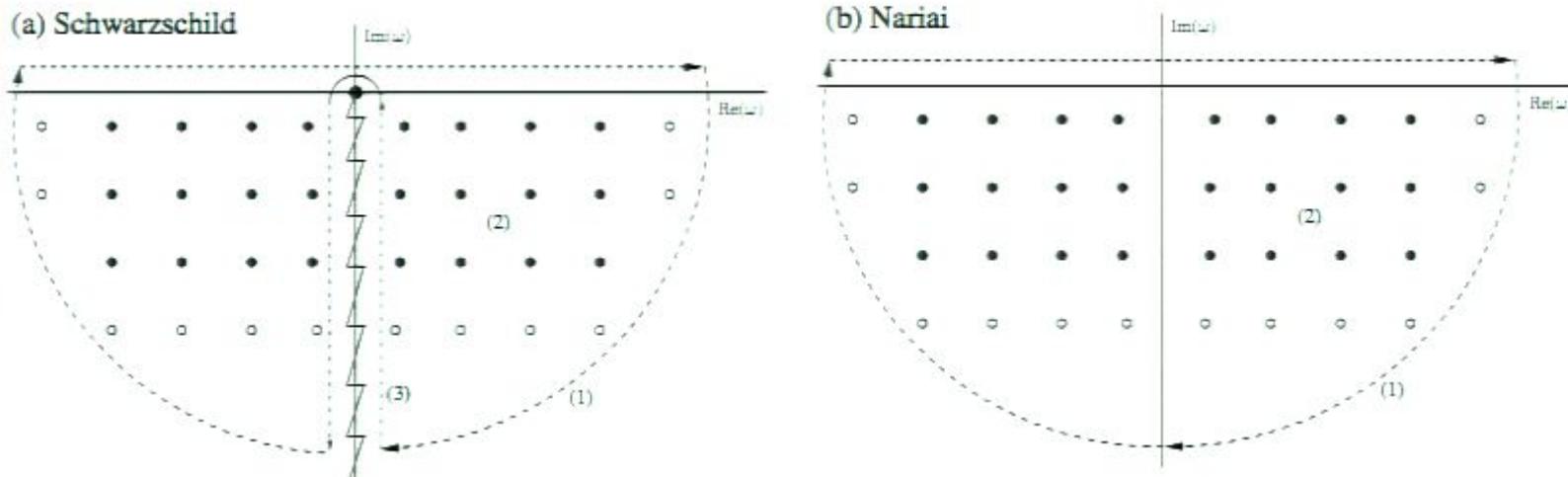
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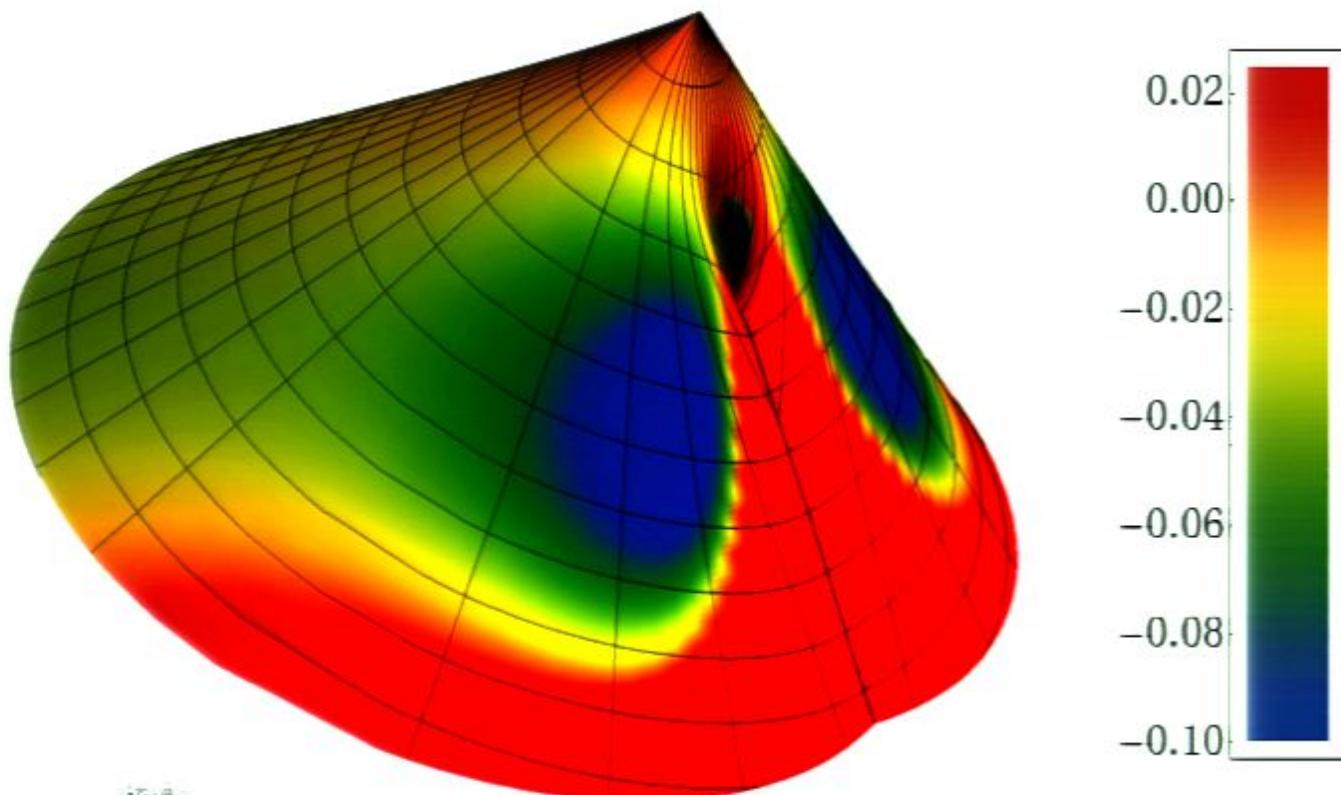
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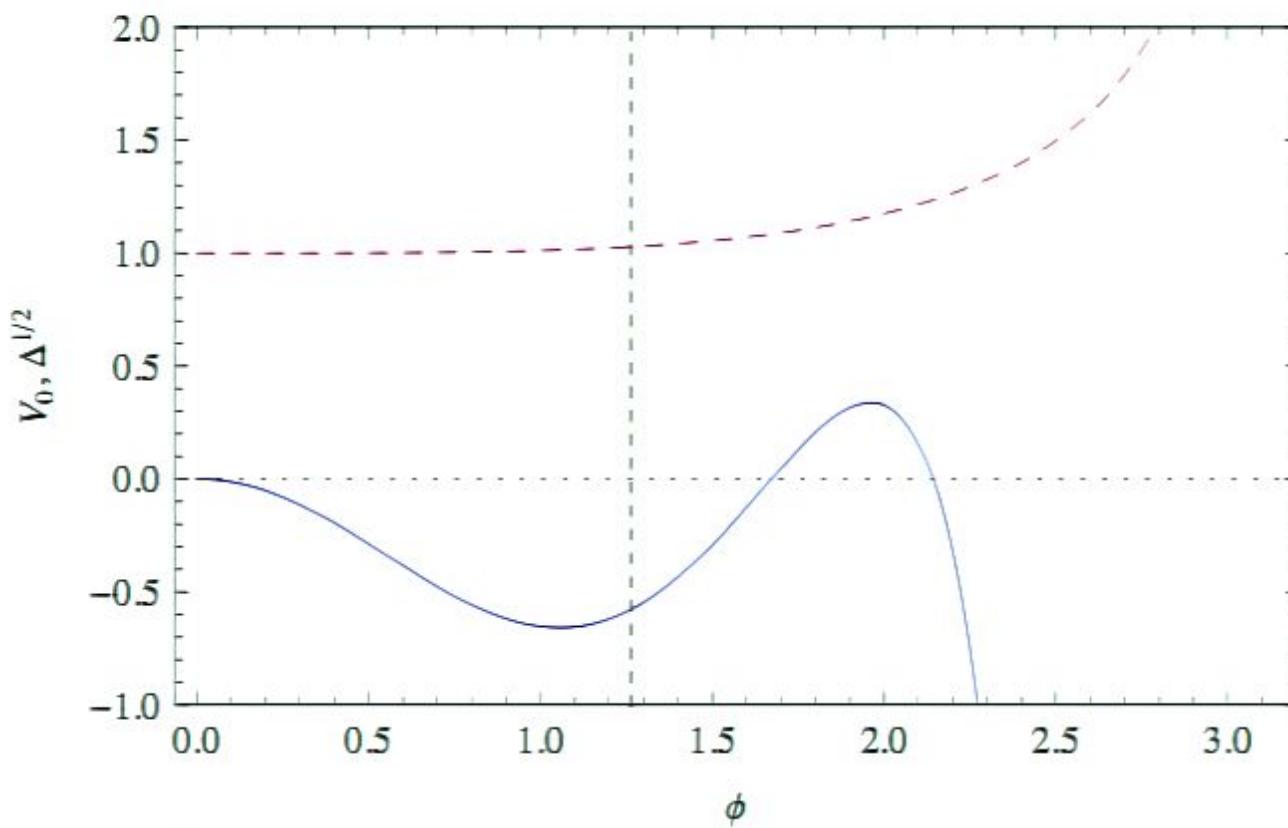


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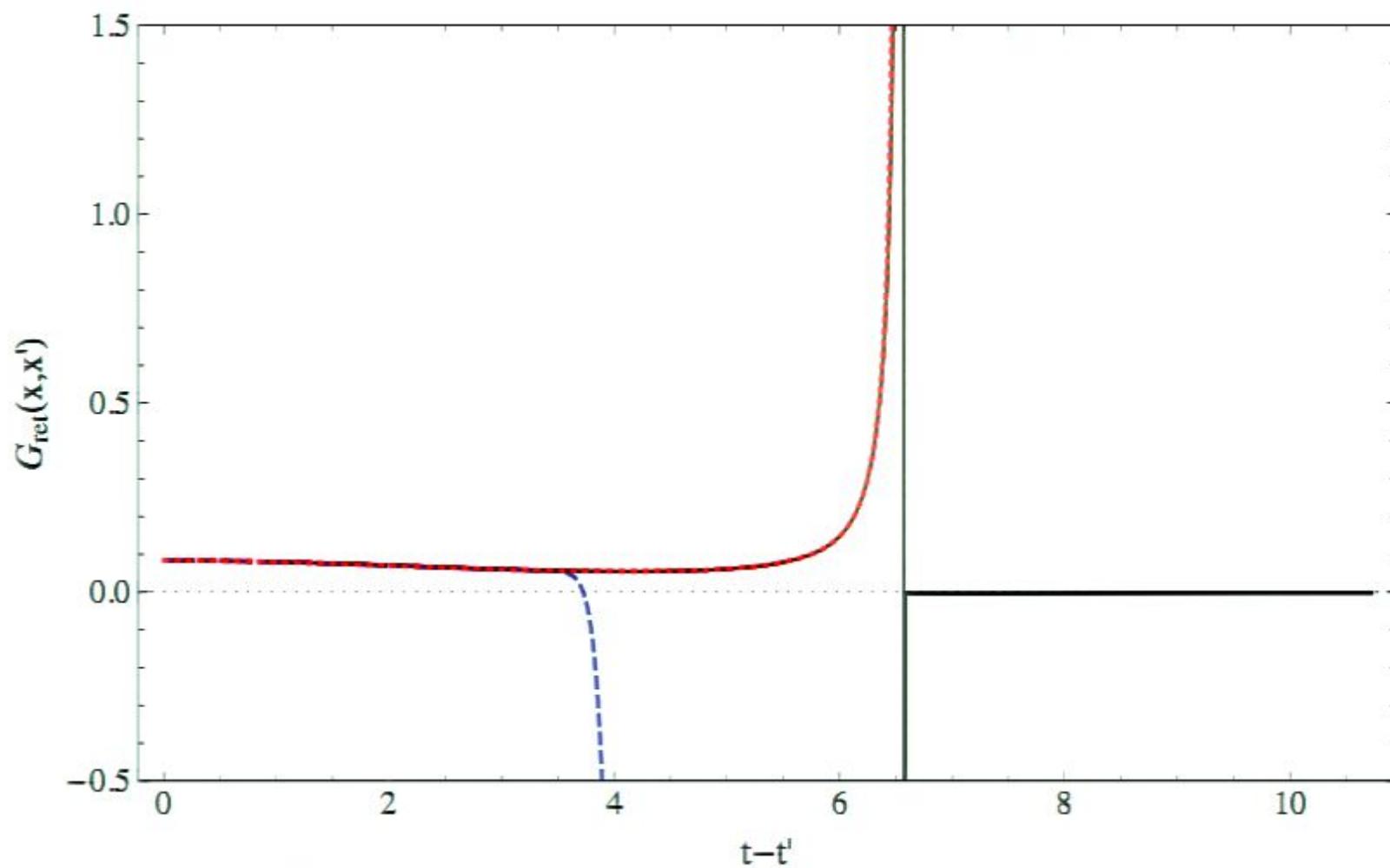
Numerically integrate the transport equations (ODEs) for $V_0(x, x')$ along null geodesics to get $V(x, x')$ on the light-cone.



Numerical integration of the transport equations for $\Delta^{1/2}(x, x')$ and $V_0(x, x')$ along a geodesic.



Convergence of series



Examples

Leading term for self-force in vacuum:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{abcd} = & -\frac{1}{280} R^p{}_{(a}{}^q{}_{b|;r|} R_{|p|c|q|d)}{}^{;r} - \frac{2}{315} R^{pqrs} R_{p(a|r|b} R_{|q|c|s|d)} \\ & + \frac{1}{105} R^p{}_{(a}{}^q{}_{b} R^{rs}{}_{|p|c} R_{rsq|d)} + \frac{1}{840} R^{pqrs} R_{pq}{}^t{}_{(a} R_{|rst|b} g_{cd)} \\ & + \frac{1}{8960} R^{pqrs} \square R_{pqrs} g_{(ab} g_{cd)} - \frac{1}{40320} R^{pqrs} R_{pq}{}^{tu} R_{rstu} g_{(ab} g_{cd)} \end{aligned}$$

In Schwarzschild:

$$V_{0(0)} = 0, \quad V_{1(0)} = \frac{M^2}{15r^6}, \quad V_{2(0)} = \frac{M^2}{1008r^9}(194M - 81r)$$

$$V_{3(0)} = \frac{M^2}{3150r^{12}}(210r^2 - 1125rM + 1454M^2),$$

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a_3	0.02	91	26	15	7	2
a_4	0.2	1058	113	68	56	5
a_5	3.6	13972	—	—	507	—
a_6	76	199264	—	—	4988	—
a_7	1489	2987366	—	—	51700	—
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How far can one go: V_0 ?

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8	0.047	856	526 kB	0.019	94	59 kB
10	0.16	3414	2.25 MB	0.05	384	260 kB
12	0.58	13 064	9.34 MB	0.19	1480	1.1 MB
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The Hadamard and DeWitt coefficients are related by

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with inverse

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These relate the ‘tail term’ of the massive and massless theories

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