

Title: Classical Spinning Black Holes From Scattering Amplitudes

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Abstract: Following the advent of LIGO measurements, it has been recently observed that QFT amplitudes can be used to derive observables appearing in the scattering of two black holes, to very high orders in perturbation theory. Such framework easily fits into the Post-Newtonian and Post-Minkowskian expansions appearing in the treatment of the binary inspiral. In this talk we will review recent progress in this direction for the case of spinning black holes, focusing on radiation and the multipole expansion. From the QFT point of view these are in close relation to long-studied Soft Theorems.



# Scattering Amplitudes & Spinning Black Holes

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# GW Catalogue (1811.12907)

Event	$m_1/M_\odot$	$m_2/M_\odot$	$M/M_\odot$	$\chi_{\text{eff}}$	$M_f/M_\odot$	$a_f$	$E_{\text{rad}}/(M_\odot c^2)$	$\ell_{\text{peak}}/(\text{erg s}^{-1})$	$d_L/\text{Mpc}$	$z$	$\Delta\Omega/\text{deg}^2$
GW150914	$35.6^{+4.8}_{-3.0}$	$30.6^{+3.0}_{-4.4}$	$28.6^{+1.6}_{-1.5}$	$-0.01^{+0.12}_{-0.13}$	$63.1^{+3.3}_{-3.0}$	$0.69^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$3.1^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$	$3.6^{+0.4}_{-0.4} \times 10^{56}$	$430^{+150}_{-170}$	$0.09^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	180
GW151012	$23.3^{+14.0}_{-5.5}$	$13.6^{+4.1}_{-4.8}$	$15.2^{+2.0}_{-1.1}$	$0.04^{+0.28}_{-0.19}$	$35.7^{+9.9}_{-3.8}$	$0.67^{+0.13}_{-0.11}$	$1.5^{+0.5}_{-0.5}$	$3.2^{+0.8}_{-1.7} \times 10^{56}$	$1060^{+540}_{-480}$	$0.21^{+0.09}_{-0.09}$	1555
GW151226	$13.7^{+8.8}_{-3.2}$	$7.7^{+2.2}_{-2.6}$	$8.9^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$0.18^{+0.20}_{-0.12}$	$20.5^{+6.4}_{-1.5}$	$0.74^{+0.07}_{-0.05}$	$1.0^{+0.1}_{-0.2}$	$3.4^{+0.7}_{-1.7} \times 10^{56}$	$440^{+180}_{-190}$	$0.09^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$	1033
GW170104	$31.0^{+7.2}_{-5.6}$	$20.1^{+4.9}_{-4.5}$	$21.5^{+2.1}_{-1.7}$	$-0.04^{+0.17}_{-0.20}$	$49.1^{+5.2}_{-3.9}$	$0.66^{+0.08}_{-0.10}$	$2.2^{+0.5}_{-0.5}$	$3.3^{+0.6}_{-0.9} \times 10^{56}$	$960^{+430}_{-410}$	$0.19^{+0.07}_{-0.08}$	924
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GW170729	$50.6^{+16.6}_{-10.2}$	$34.3^{+9.1}_{-10.1}$	$35.7^{+6.5}_{-4.7}$	$0.36^{+0.21}_{-0.25}$	$80.3^{+14.6}_{-10.2}$	$0.81^{+0.07}_{-0.13}$	$4.8^{+1.7}_{-1.7}$	$4.2^{+0.9}_{-1.5} \times 10^{56}$	$2750^{+1350}_{-1320}$	$0.48^{+0.19}_{-0.20}$	1033
GW170809	$35.2^{+8.3}_{-6.0}$	$23.8^{+5.2}_{-5.1}$	$25.0^{+2.1}_{-1.6}$	$0.07^{+0.16}_{-0.16}$	$56.4^{+5.2}_{-3.7}$	$0.70^{+0.08}_{-0.09}$	$2.7^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$	$3.5^{+0.6}_{-0.9} \times 10^{56}$	$990^{+320}_{-380}$	$0.20^{+0.05}_{-0.07}$	340
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- As more precise measurements will take place (i.e. LISA), more accurate templates are needed (i.e. through EOB)

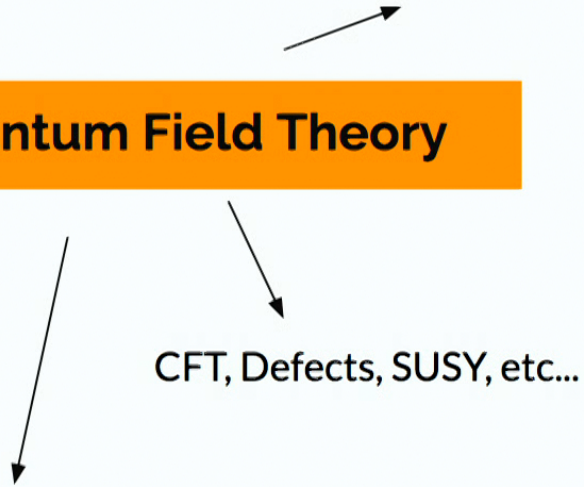
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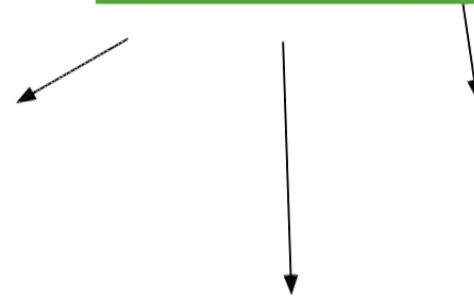
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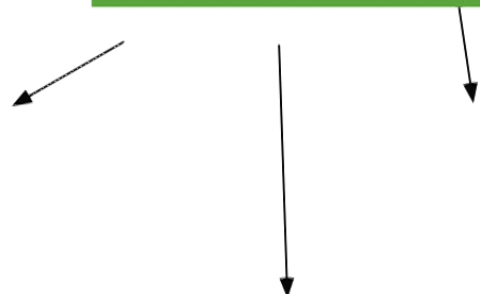


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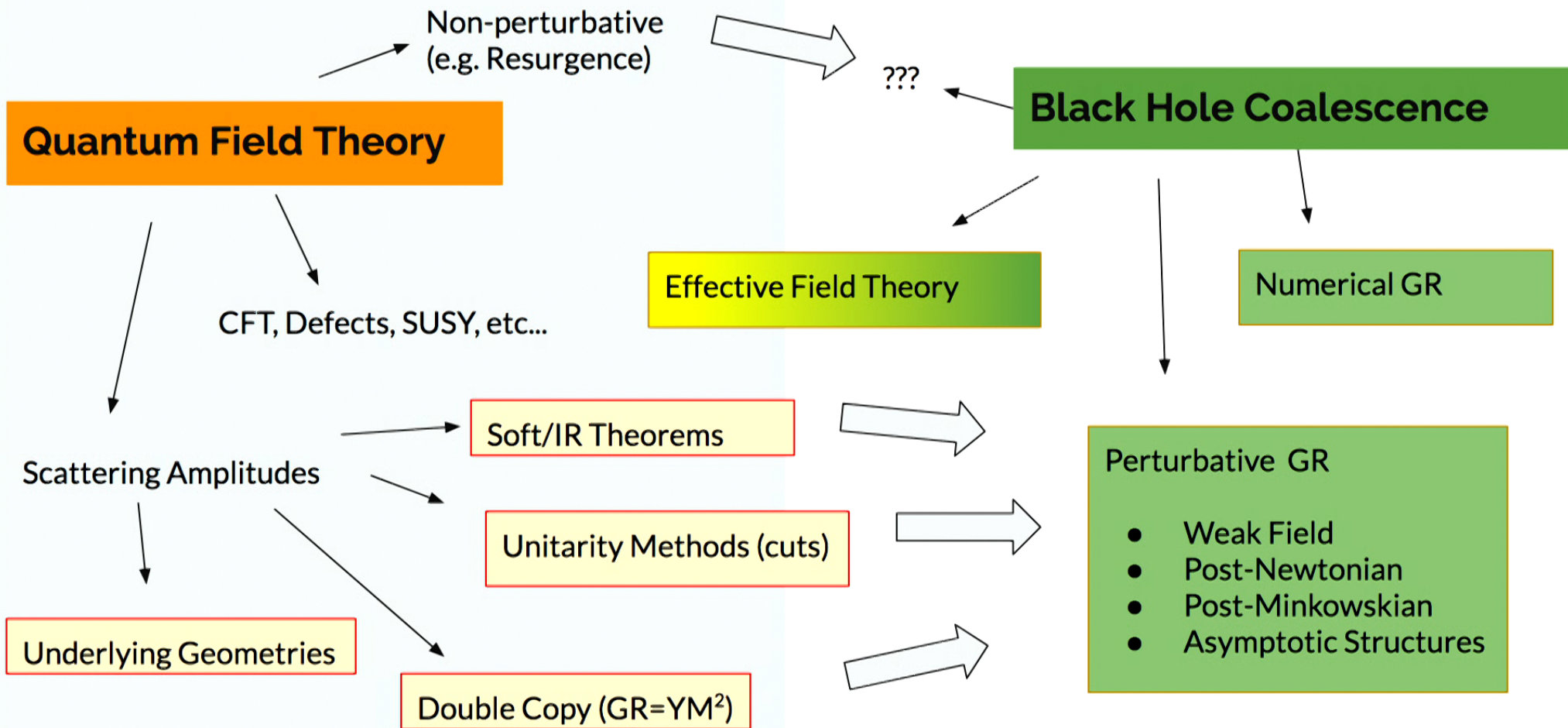
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# From 2-Body Problem

# to 2 → 2 Scattering

- In the PN case one looks for the potential (off-shell) modes, i.e.

$$\ell \sim (v/r, 1/r)$$

leading to an instantaneous long-range potential valid in the near zone  $r \leq \lambda_{\text{rad}}$

- **Post-Minkowskian** expansion gives
  - The radiation field in far zone region  $r \gg \lambda$
  - A resummation of PN orders

Limit	Perturbation theory
Newtonian gravity $c \rightarrow \infty$	post-Newtonian $\frac{m_1}{m_2} \sim 1, \quad \frac{Gm}{rc^2} \sim \frac{v^2}{c^2} \ll 1$
special relativity $G \rightarrow 0$	post-Minkowskian $\frac{m_1}{m_2} \sim 1, \quad \frac{Gm}{rc^2} \ll \frac{v^2}{c^2} \sim 1$

	0PN	1PN	$\frac{3}{2}$ PN	2PN	$\frac{5}{2}$ PN	3PN	$\frac{7}{2}$ PN	4PN	$\frac{9}{2}$ PN	5PN
spin <sup>0</sup> : 0PM:	$v^2$	$v^4$		$v^6$		$v^8$		$v^{10}$		$v^{12}$
1PM:	$1/r$	$v^2/r$		$v^4/r$		$v^6/r$		$v^8/r$		$v^{10}/r$
2PM:		$1/r^2$		$v^2/r^2$		$v^4/r^2$		$v^6/r^2 \ddagger$		$v^8/r^2 \ddagger$
3PM:				$1/r^3$		$v^2/r^3$		$v^4/r^3$		$v^6/r^3$
4PM:						$1/r^4$		$v^2/r^4$		$v^4/r^4$
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Known!  
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PN information. PM information. PN-PM overlap, and match! Unknown. ‡Tail terms.

From J. Vines (AEI)



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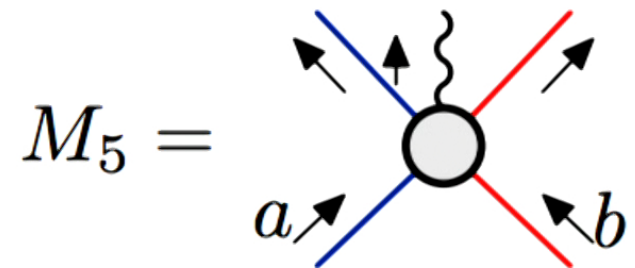
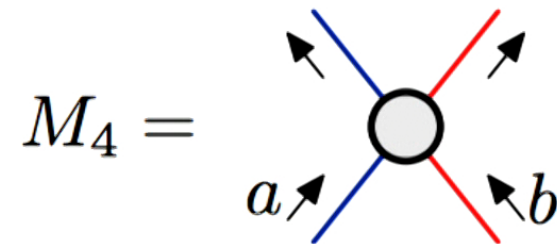
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Kosower, Maybee, O'Connell 19  
(see also Goldberger & Ridgway 17,  
Shen 18)

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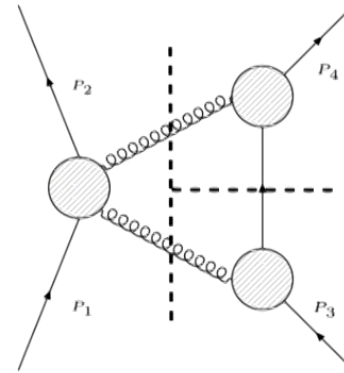
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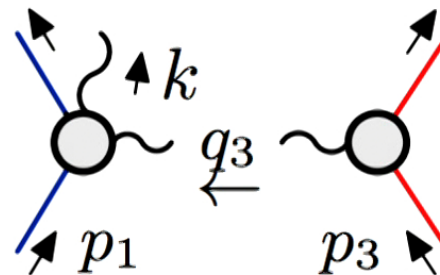
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# 2PM Effective Potential $\iff$ 1-loop Scattering

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{M}_{tot}^{(2)}(\vec{q}) \simeq & \left[ G^2 m_a m_b \left( 6(m_a + m_b) S - \frac{41}{5} L \right) - i 4\pi G^2 m_a^2 m_b^2 \frac{L}{q^2} \frac{m_r}{p_0} \right] \chi_f^{a\dagger} \chi_i^a \chi_f^{b\dagger} \chi_i^b \\
 & + \left[ G^2 \left( \frac{24m_a^3 + 56m_a^2 m_b + 45m_a m_b^2 + 12m_b^3}{2(m_a + m_b)} S - \frac{128m_a + 87m_b}{10} L \right) \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{G^2 m_a^2 m_b^2 (4m_a + 3m_b)}{(m_a + m_b)} \left( -i \frac{2\pi L}{p_0 q^2} + \frac{S}{p_0^2} \right) \right] \frac{i}{m_a} \vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{p} \times \vec{q} \chi_f^{b\dagger} \chi_i^b \\
 & + \left[ G^2 \left( \frac{12m_a^3 + 45m_a^2 m_b + 56m_a m_b^2 + 24m_b^3}{2(m_a + m_b)} S - \frac{87m_a + 128m_b}{10} L \right) \right. \\
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 & + G^2 m_a m_b \frac{19m_a^2 + 36m_a m_b + 19m_b^2}{2(m_a + m_b)} S \frac{\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{q} \vec{S}_b \cdot \vec{q} - \vec{q}^2 \vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{S}_b}{m_a m_b} \\
 & - G^2 m_a m_b L \frac{11\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{q} \vec{S}_b \cdot \vec{q} - 16\vec{q}^2 \vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{S}_b}{15m_a m_b} \\
 & + \frac{G^2 m_a^3 m_b^3}{m_a + m_b} \frac{S}{p_0^2} \frac{\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{q} \vec{S}_b \cdot \vec{q} - \vec{q}^2 \vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{S}_b}{m_a m_b} \\
 & + \frac{G^2 m_a^3 m_b^3}{m_a + m_b} \left( -i \frac{4\pi L}{p_0 q^2} \right) \frac{\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{q} \vec{S}_b \cdot \vec{q} - \frac{1}{2} \vec{q}^2 \vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{S}_b}{m_a m_b} \quad (95)
 \end{aligned}$$

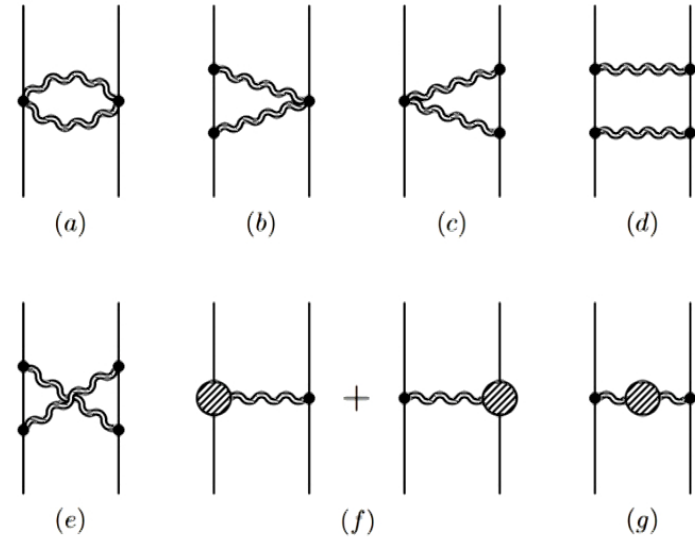
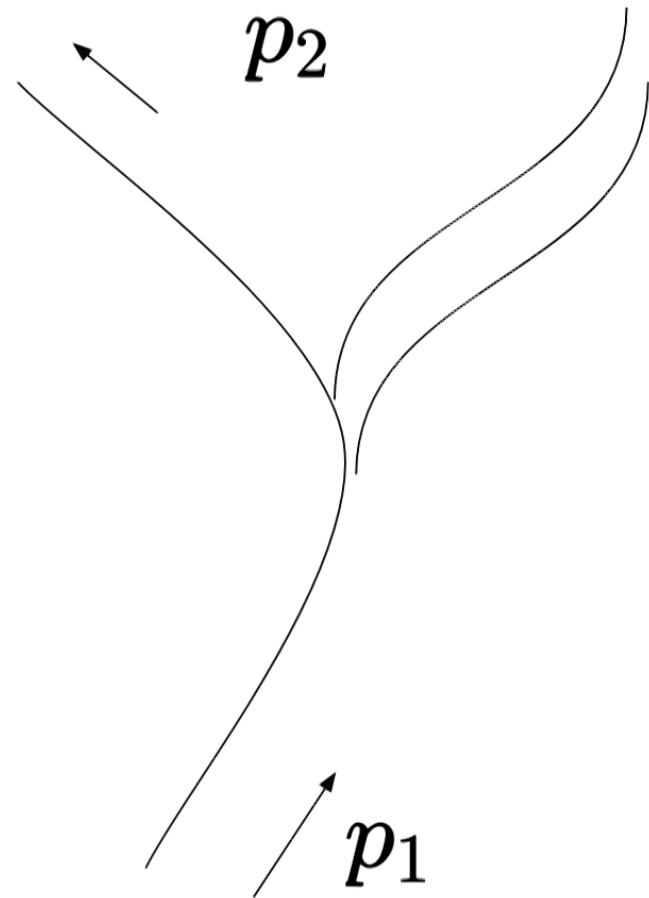


Figure 2: One loop diagrams of gravitational scattering.

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**What do we learn  
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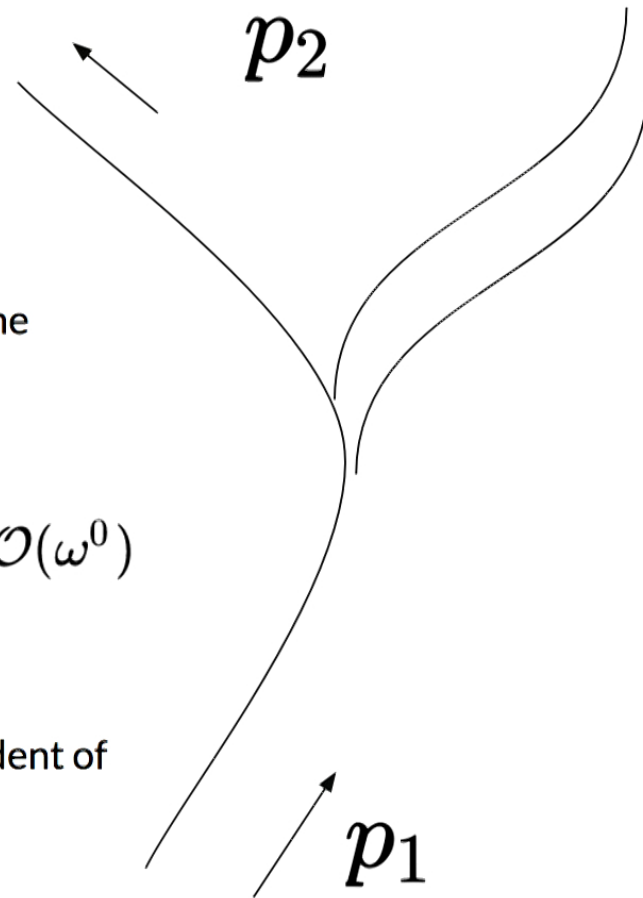
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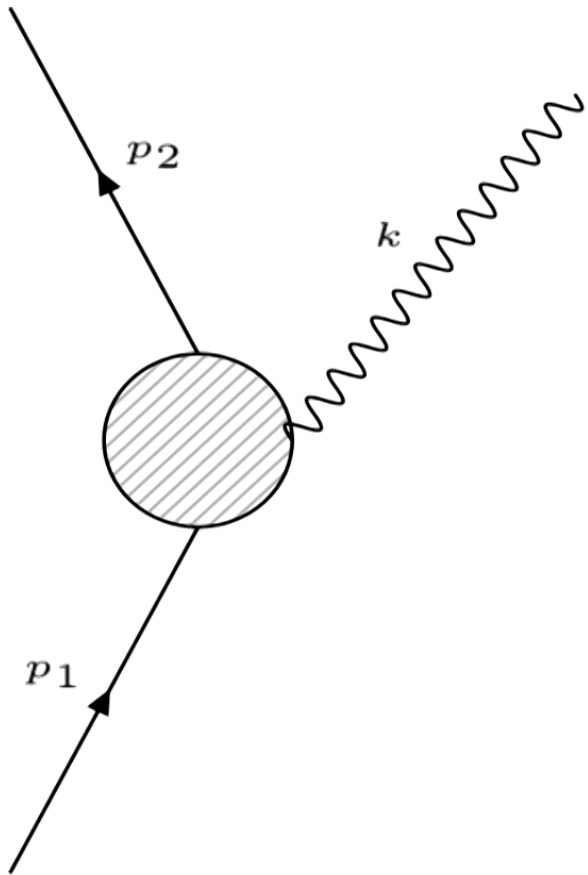
- Massive body accelerating in a finite interval of time
- At  $r \rightarrow \infty$  we can drop Coulomb modes to get

$$T_{\mu\nu}(k) = \sqrt{8\pi G} \left( \frac{p_{1\mu}p_{1\nu}}{p_1 \cdot k + i\epsilon} - \frac{p_{2\mu}p_{2\nu}}{p_2 \cdot k - i\epsilon} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\omega^0)$$

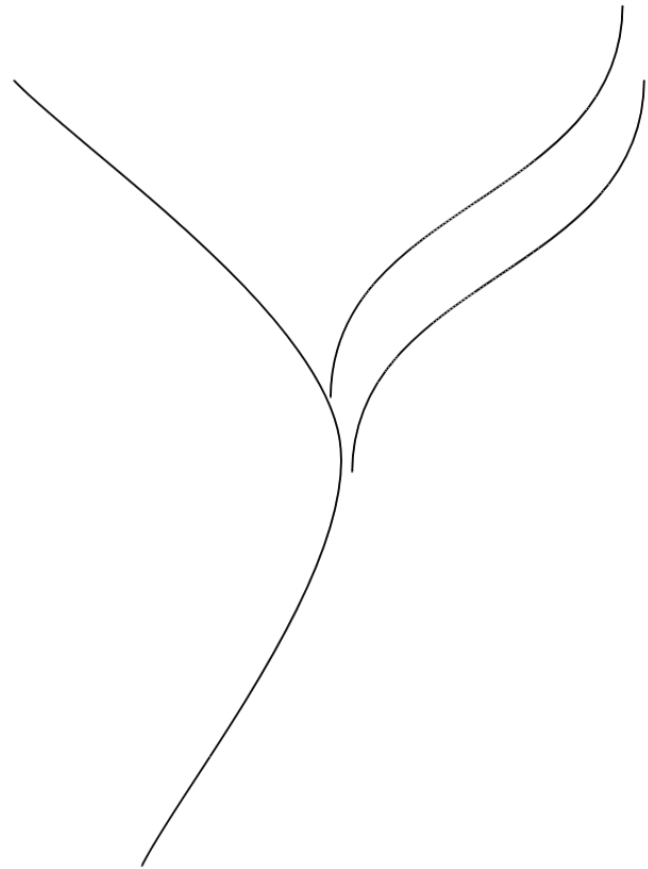
i.e. Weinberg's Soft Factor

- Long-wavelength behaviour is universal. Independent of the acceleration or internal structure



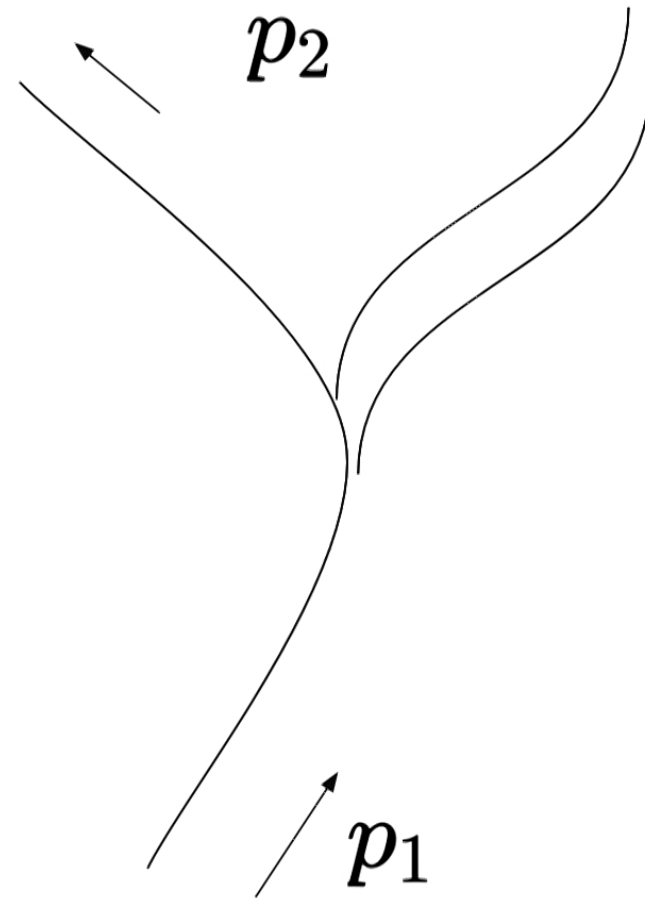


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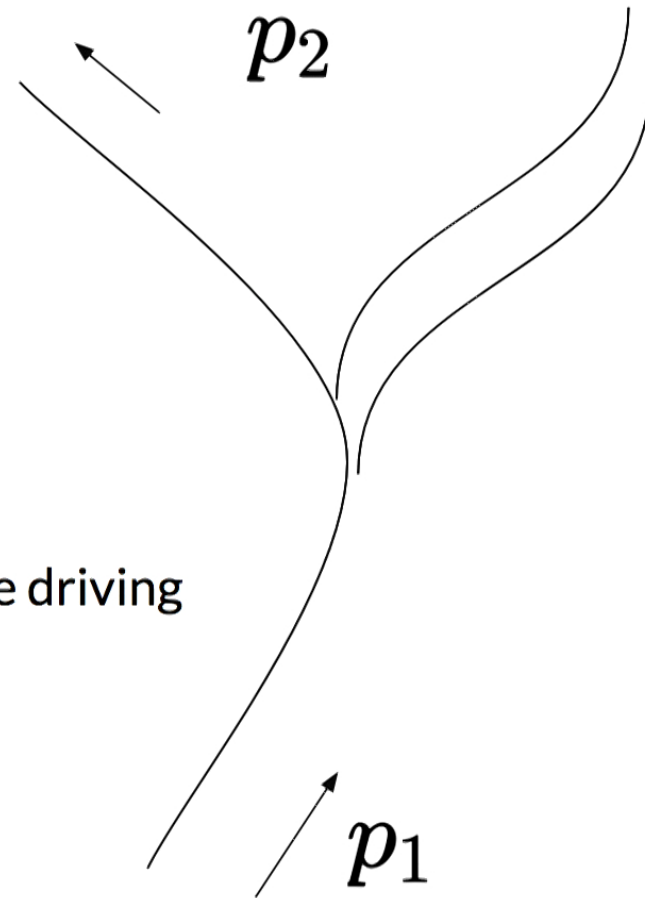
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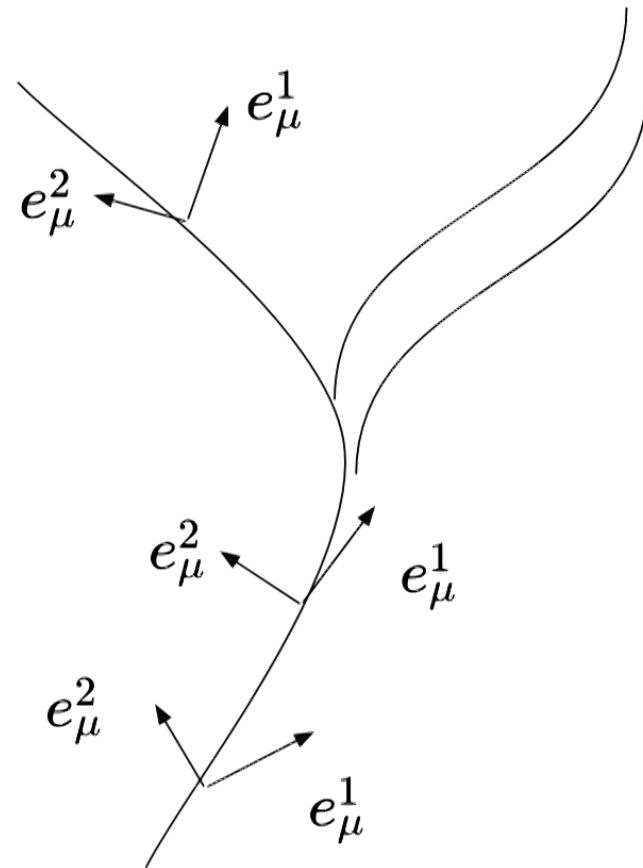
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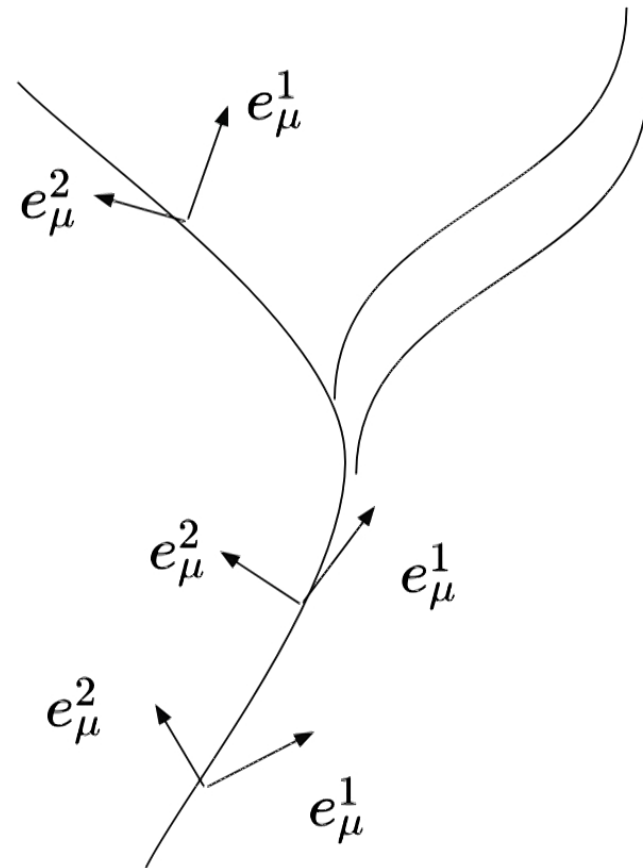


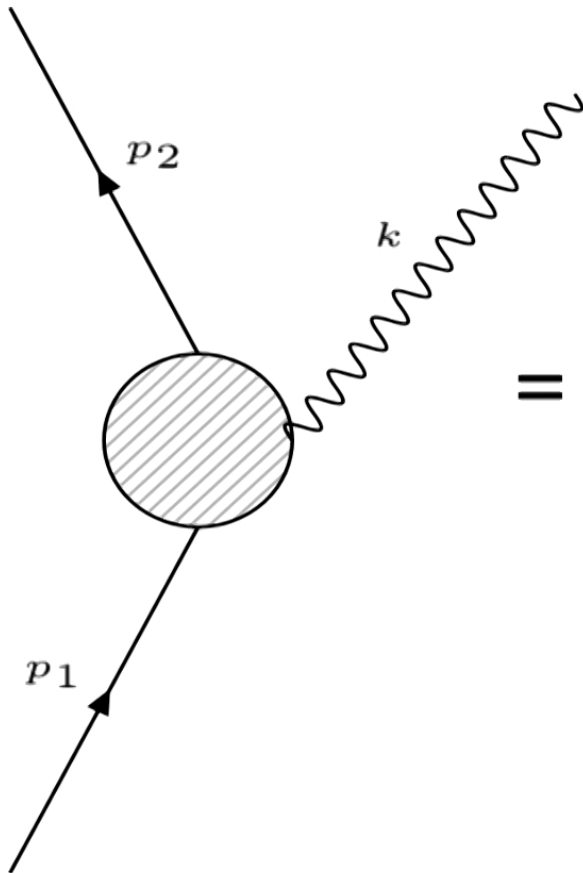
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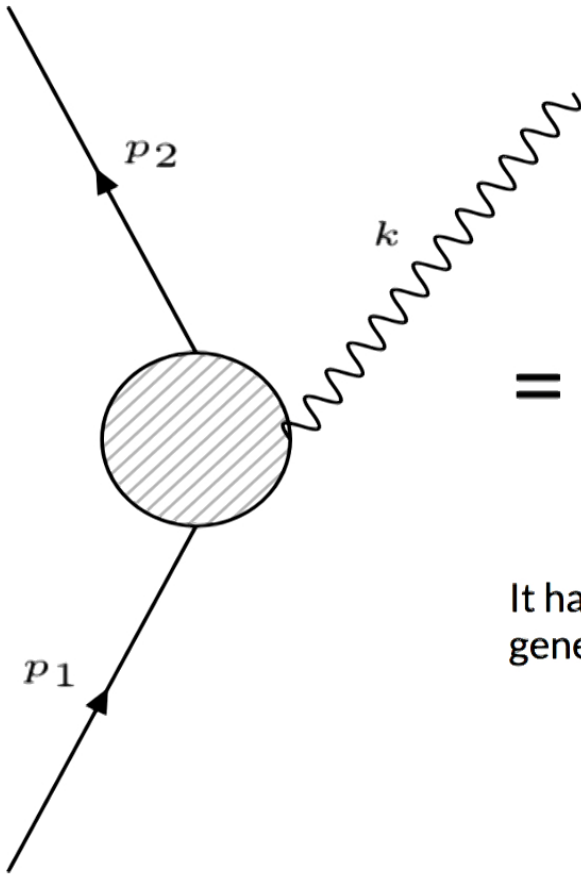
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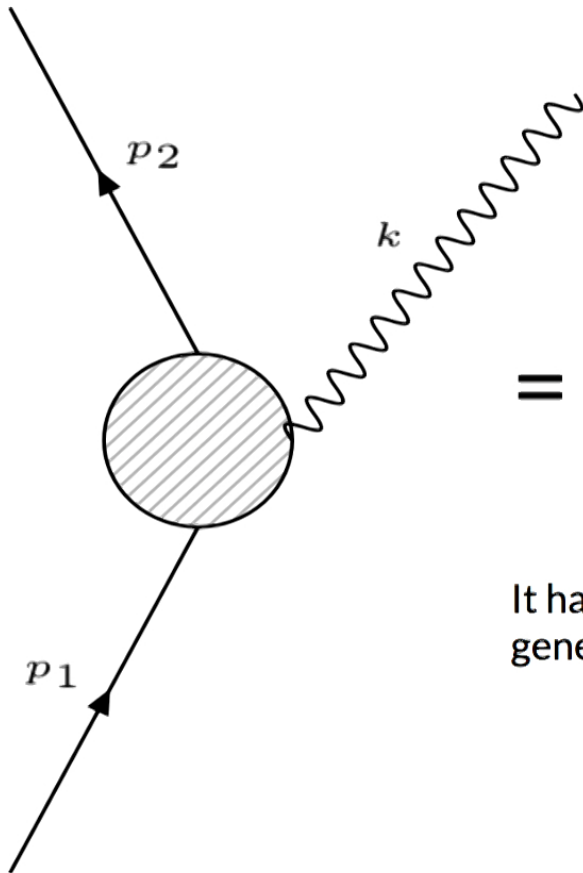
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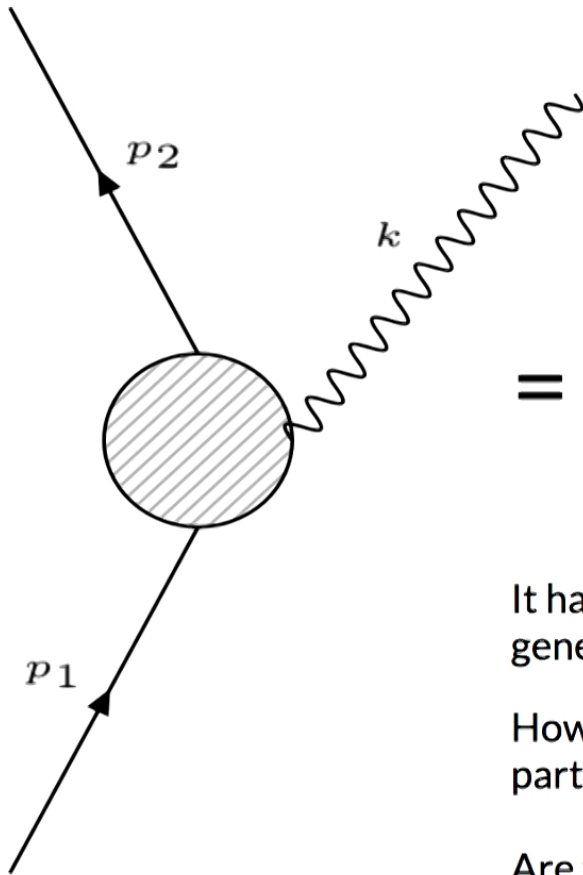
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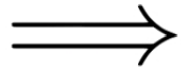
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**Agrees with Kerr Stress Energy tensor in momentum space! First order in  $G$ , all orders in spin.**

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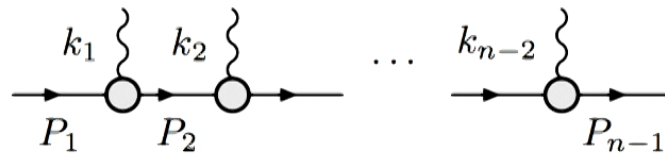
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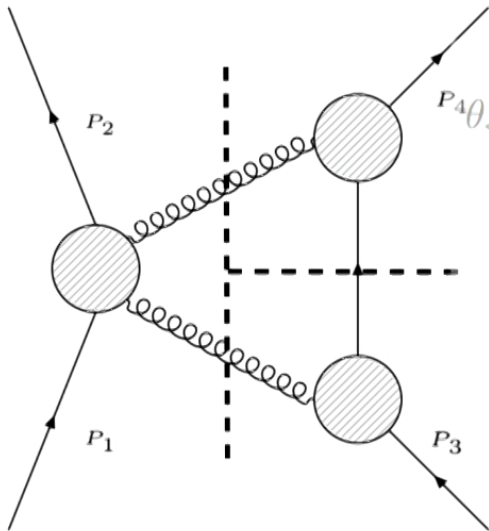
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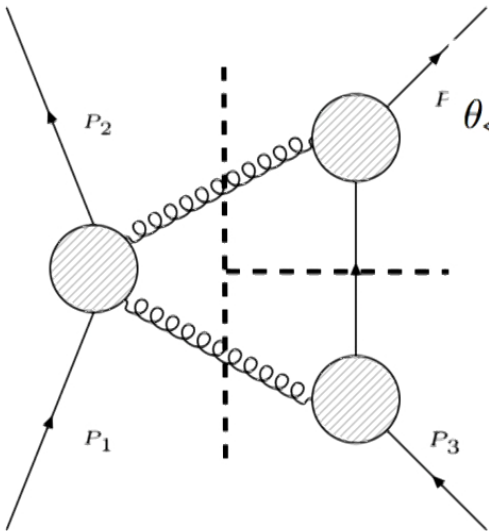
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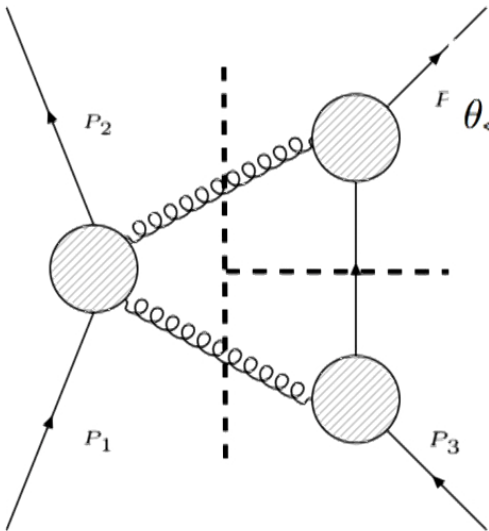


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The radiation field exponentiates even for scalars! The soft theorem extends to all orders when the classical limit is taken.

It should be possible to derive from this the full multipole expansion of the radiative field.

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**Thank you!**