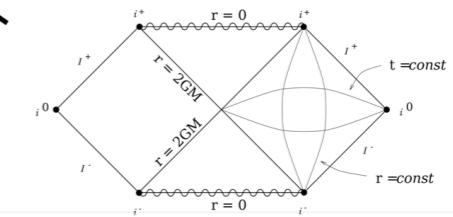
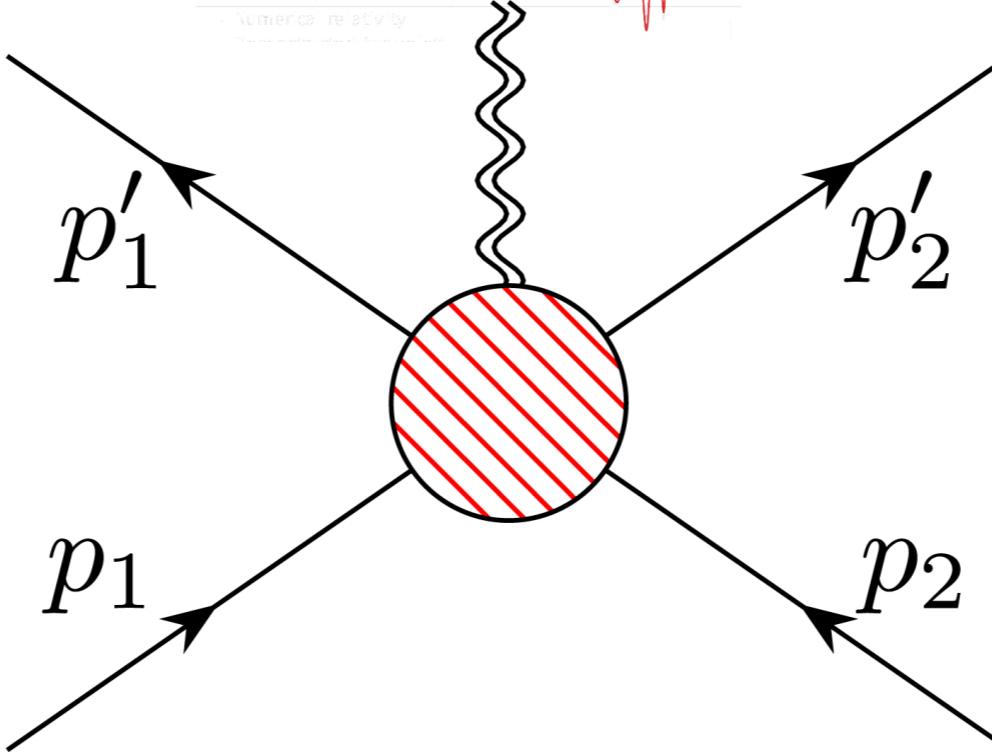
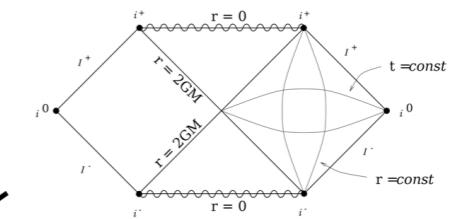
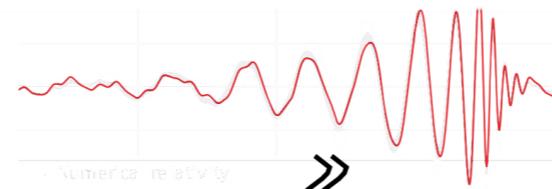


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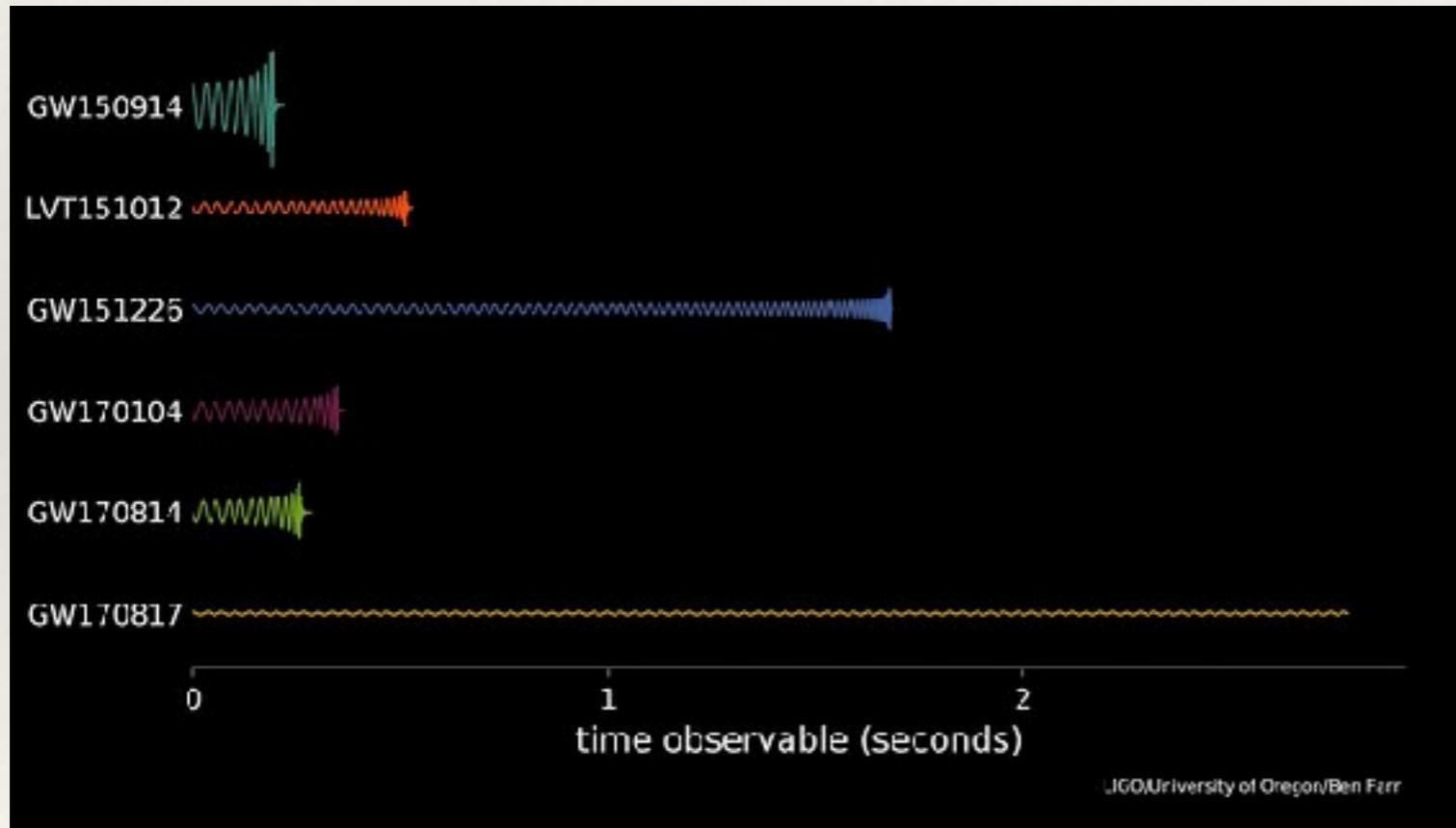


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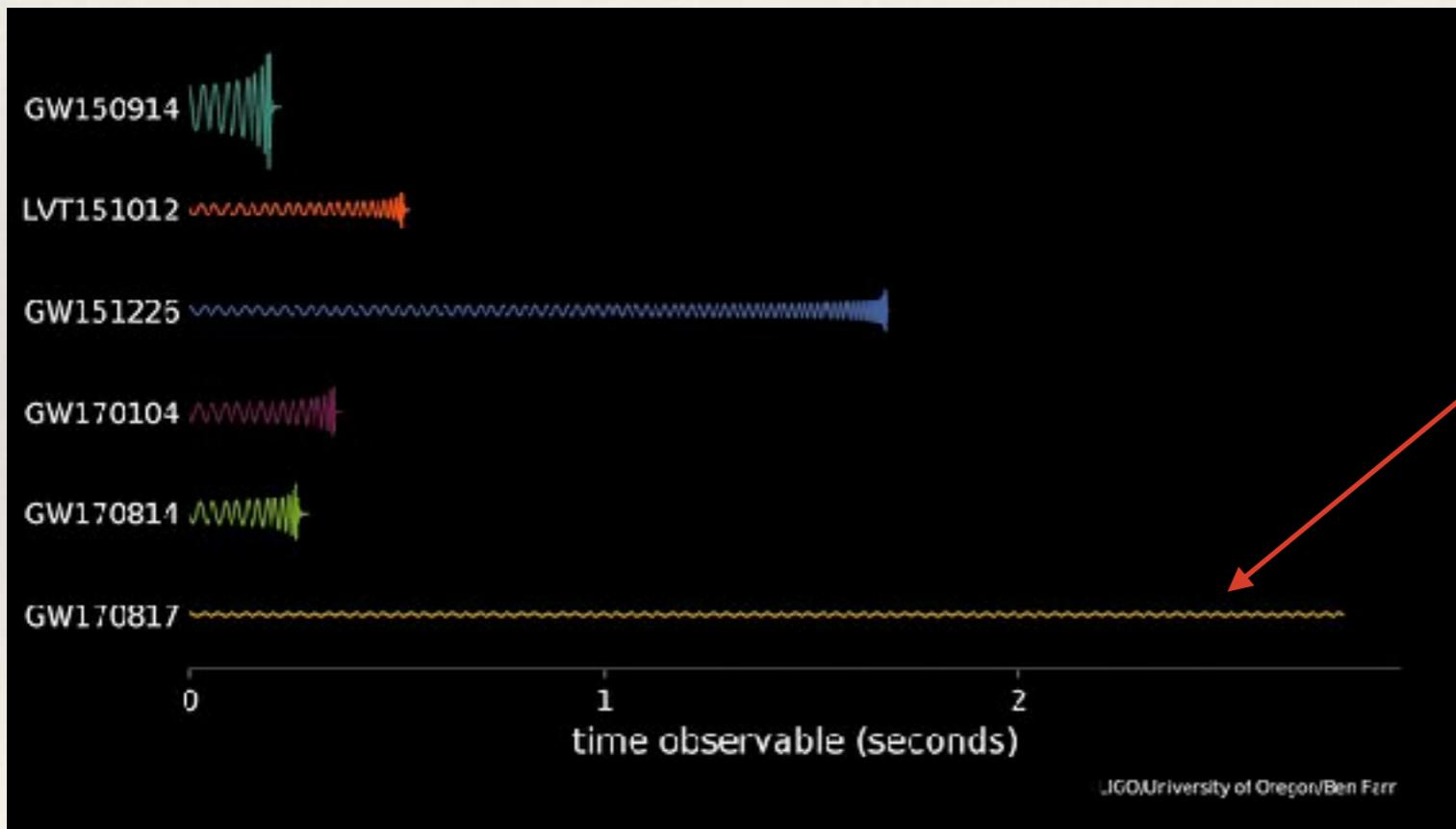
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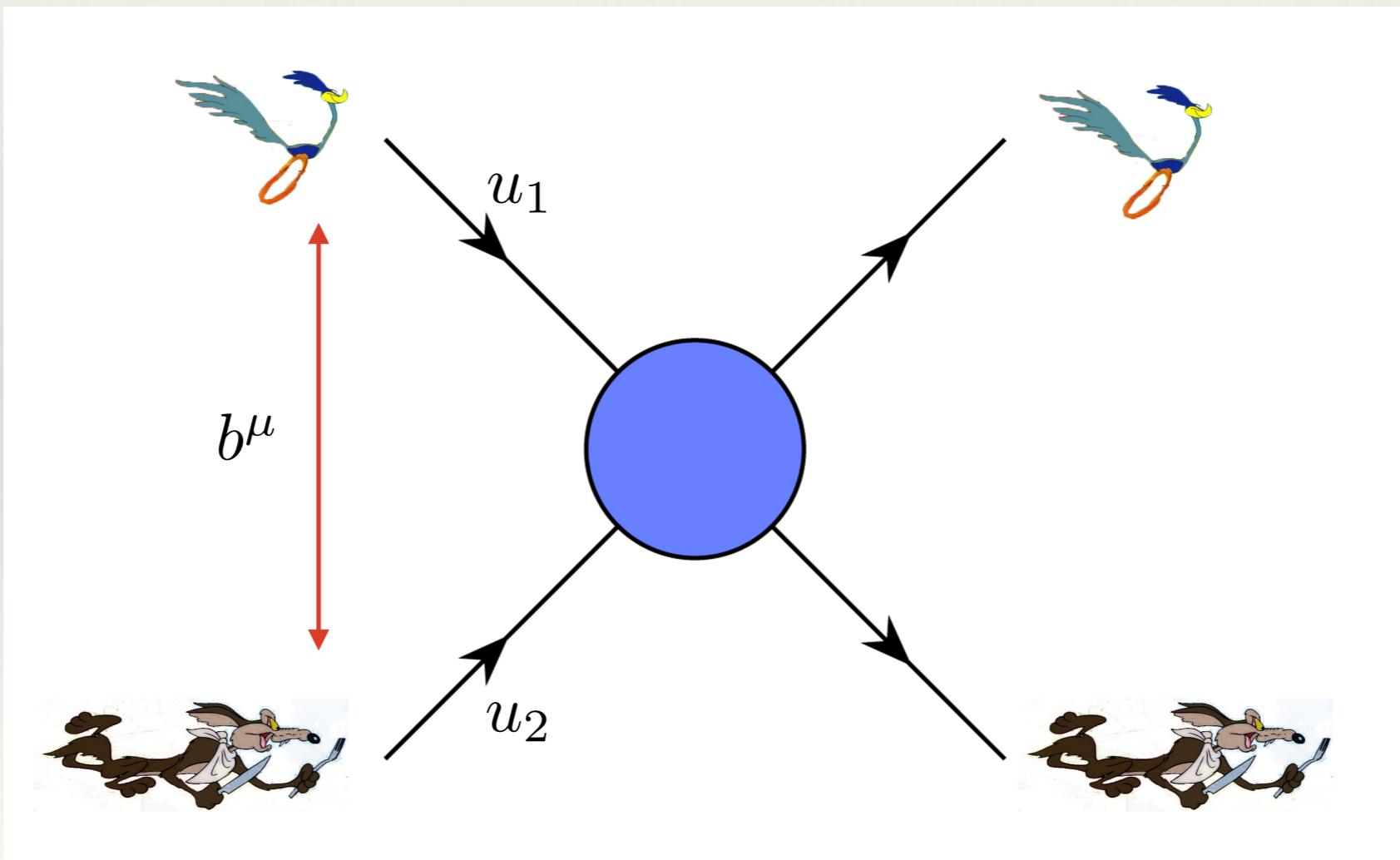
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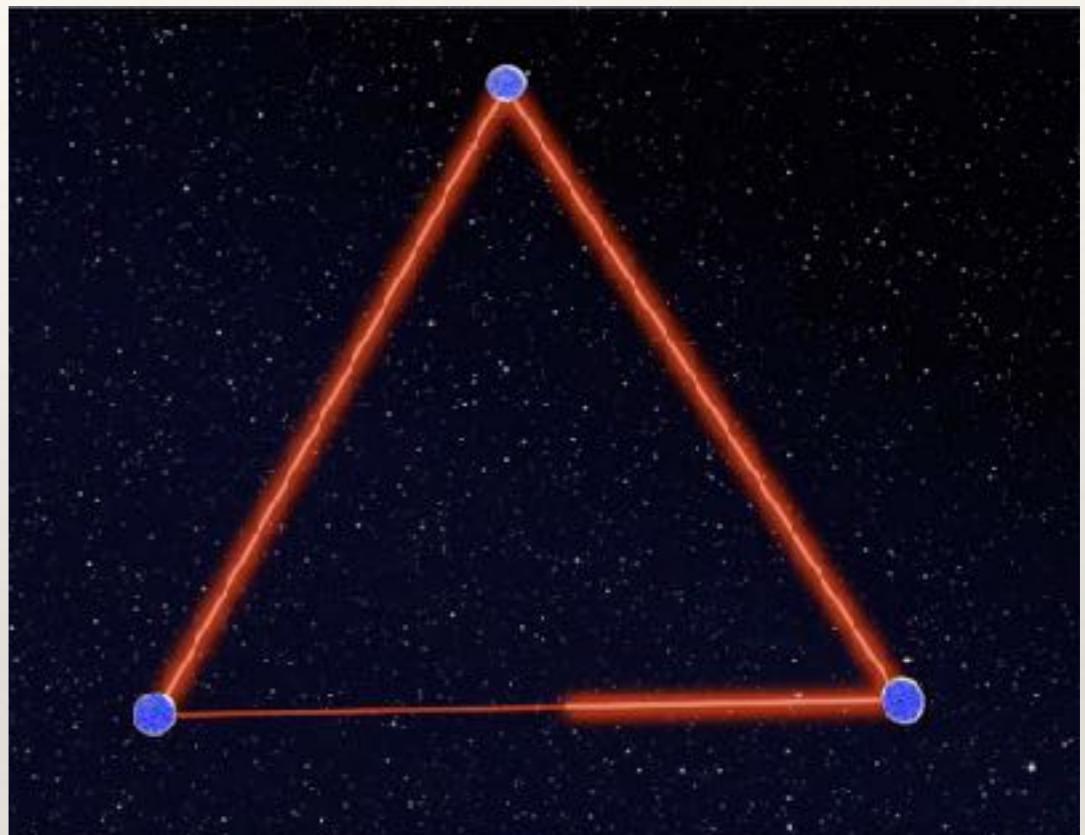
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- ❖ Theoretical progress is timely
- ❖ Bright future for gravitational wave observatories
 - ❖ Space-based: LISA
 - ❖ Ground-based: KAGRA, Voyager, Einstein Telescope,...
- ❖ High precision, large datasets
- ❖ We want high precision GR



Invitation

- ❖ Can extract interaction potential from scalar amplitudes *Donoghue, Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Torma, Holstein, Ross, Vanhove, Planté, Festuccia, Neill, Rothstein, Bern, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng*
→ Talks by Bern, Cheung
- ❖ Potential is flexible, but it requires some definition
- ❖ My philosophy: use on-shell, gauge invariant quantities
 - ❖ Experience with amplitudes is it pays to be on shell
 - ❖ Build formalism for computing classical observables which is valid to all orders

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2. Observables
3. Classical observables
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- ❖ Compute eg with Feynman diagrams

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- ❖ Greatly simplifies calculation of gravity amplitudes

→ *Talks by Roiban, Edison, Kälin*

- ❖ One issue: double copy introduces unwanted dilaton, axion

→ *Talks by Bern and Shen*

Amplitudes

- ❖ Now let's restore the factors of \hbar
- ❖ Easy to do this by dimensional analysis...
 - ❖ ... once you know the right dimensions
- ❖ Consistent to choose dimension of amplitude

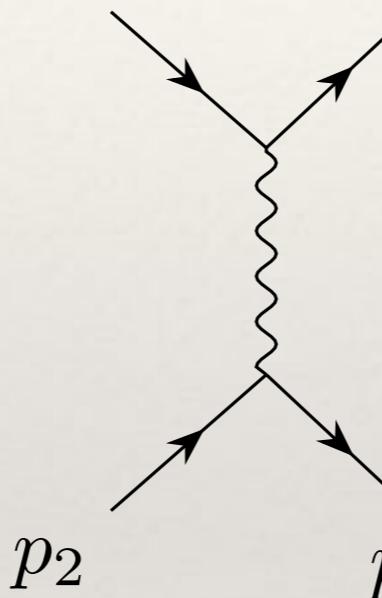
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Dimension of mass

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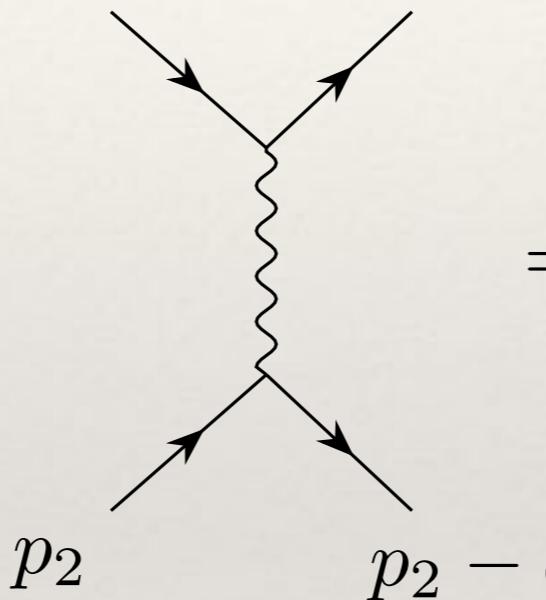
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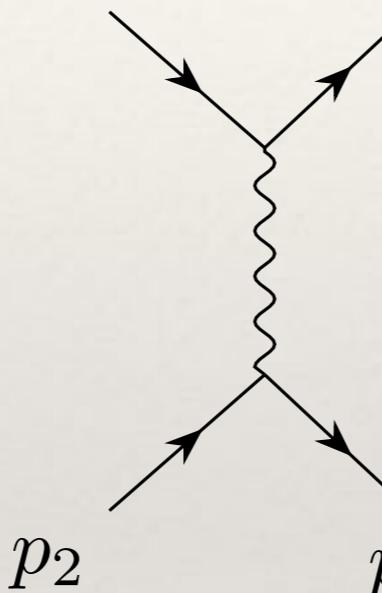
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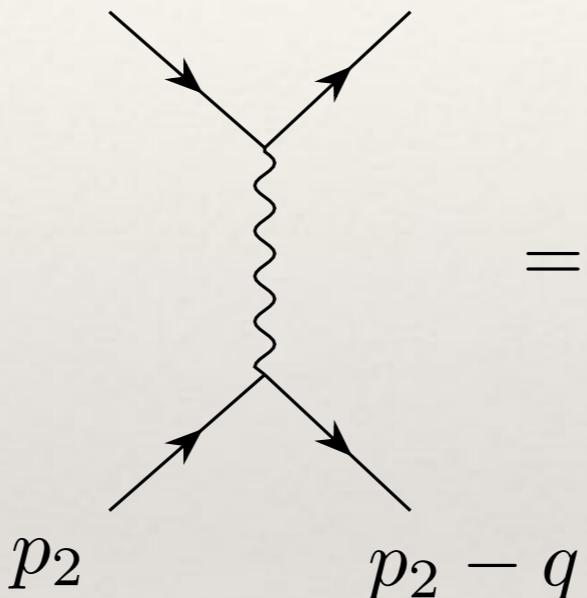
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for each factor of g

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- ❖ So find

$$A_n^{(L)} \propto \frac{1}{\hbar^{\frac{n}{2}-1+L}}$$

- ❖ Well-known! QED: $g \rightarrow e \quad \alpha = e^2/(4\pi\hbar c)$
- ❖ Same in gravity $g \rightarrow \kappa/2 = \sqrt{8\pi G/\hbar}$
- ❖ But then how can we sensibly extract classical physics from an expansion in inverse powers of \hbar ?

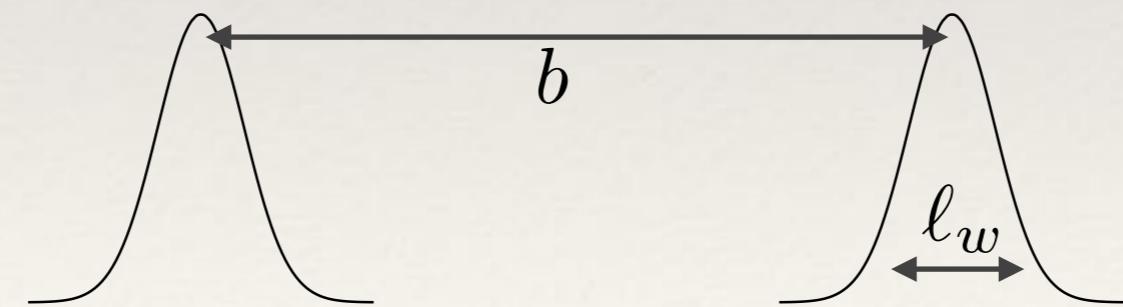
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- ❖ Haven't yet extracted all relevant factors of \hbar
- ❖ Will define observables which make sense in both classical and quantum theories
 - ❖ These will be gauge invariant, on-shell, well-defined quantities
 - ❖ See momenta of messengers in propagators = \hbar wavenumbers
- ❖ Further cancellations occur inside observables

Observables

Incoming state

- ❖ Ultimately want to discuss classical point particles
- ❖ At quantum level: particles have uncertain positions, momenta
$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$
- ❖ Classical limit: \hbar small
 - ❖ But can't take $\Delta p = 0 \dots$ since then $\Delta x = \infty$
 - ❖ Particles are in wavepackets



Incoming state

- ❖ Wavefunction has an intrinsic length scale ℓ_w

$$\psi(x) \sim \exp\left[-\frac{x^2}{\ell_w^2}\right] \xrightarrow{\text{Fourier}} \tilde{\psi}(p) \sim \exp\left[-\frac{\ell_w^2 p^2}{\hbar^2}\right]$$

- ❖ For impact parameter to make sense $\Delta x = \ell_w \ll b$

- ❖ For mass to make sense

$$\Delta p = \frac{\hbar}{\ell_w} \ll m \Rightarrow l_c = \frac{\hbar}{m} \ll \ell_w$$

- ❖ We require $l_c \ll \ell_w \ll b$

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One term linear
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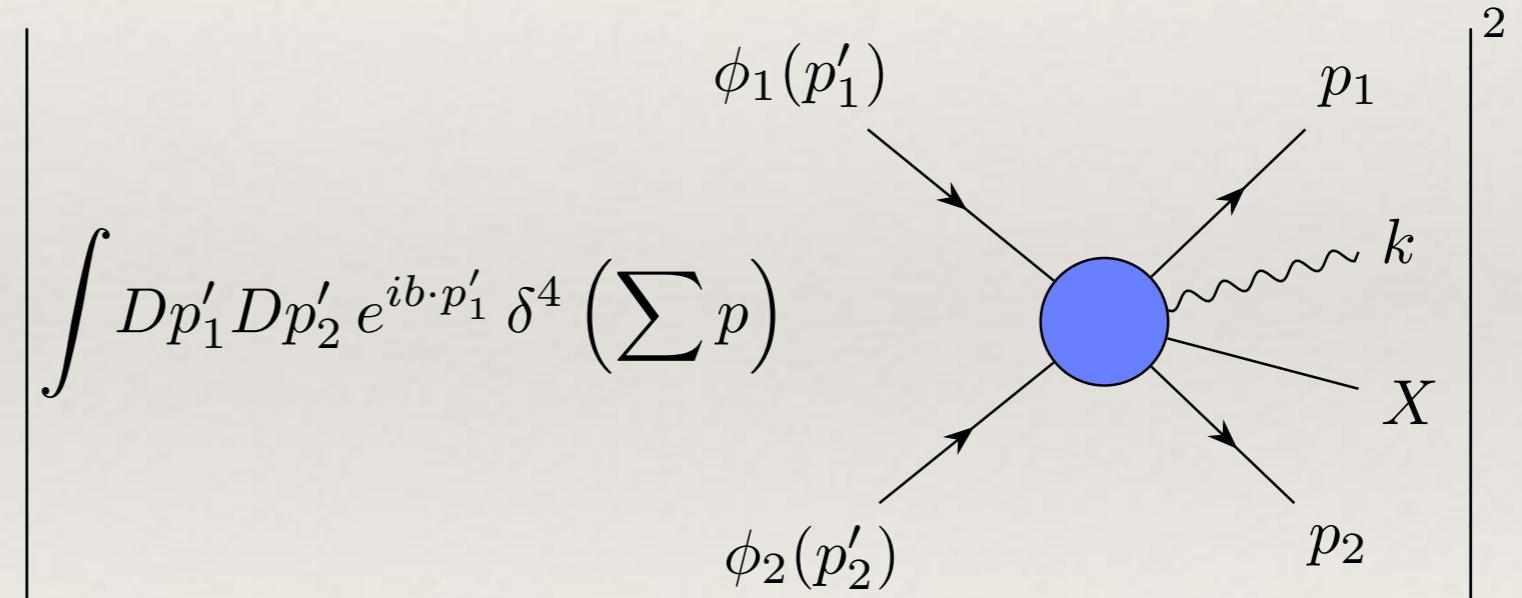
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- ❖ Find:

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- ❖ Again, all-orders definition: can go to whatever order you want

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- ❖ Useful to rewrite this slightly:

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- ❖ Expectation value of messenger momentum operator at $t = +\infty$

Momentum balance

- ❖ Impulse and radiated momentum should balance

- ❖ Simple case: only fields are 1, 2 and messenger

$$\langle \Delta p_1^\mu \rangle + \langle \Delta p_2^\mu \rangle = \langle \psi | i[\hat{P}_1^\mu + \hat{P}_2^\mu, T] | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | T^\dagger [\hat{P}_1^\mu + \hat{P}_2^\mu, T] | \psi \rangle$$

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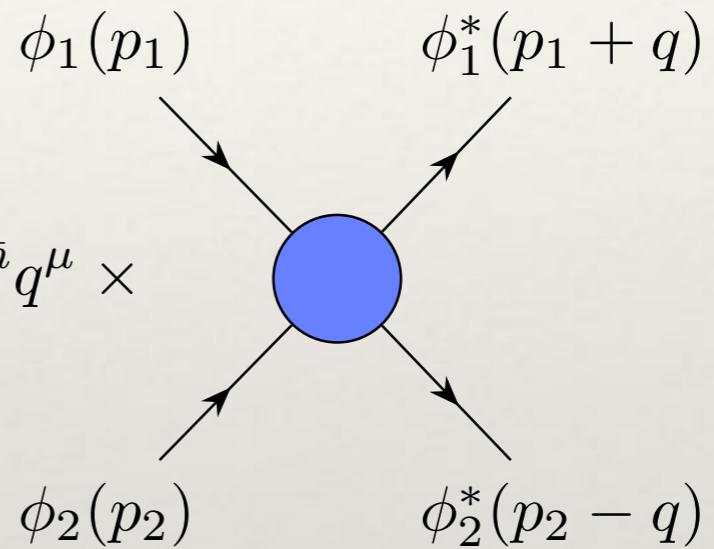
- ❖ ... and no messengers in initial state $\hat{K}^\mu |\psi\rangle = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \Delta p_1^\mu \rangle + \langle \Delta p_2^\mu \rangle = -\langle \psi | T^\dagger [\hat{K}^\mu, T] | \psi \rangle = -\langle k^\mu \rangle$$

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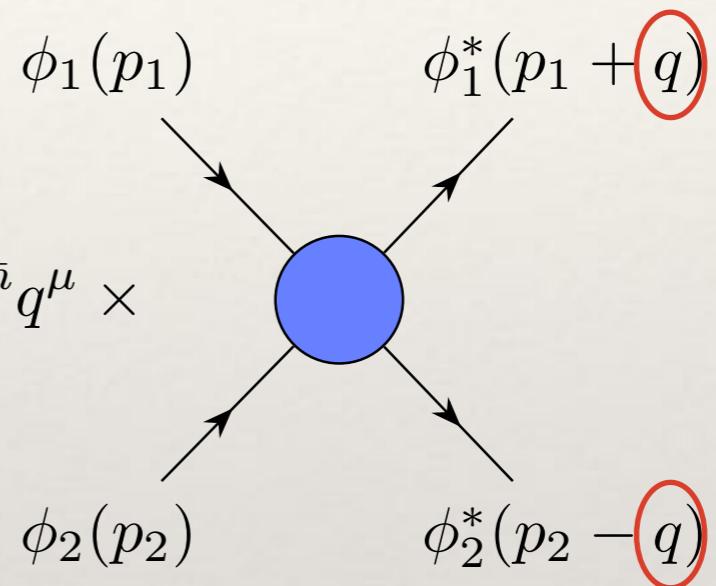


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A Feynman diagram showing a central circular vertex with four external lines. The top-left line is labeled $\phi_1(p_1)$, the top-right line is labeled $\phi_1^*(p_1 + q)$, the bottom-left line is labeled $\phi_2(p_2)$, and the bottom-right line is labeled $\phi_2^*(p_2 - q)$. The central vertex is shaded with blue diagonal lines.

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 &= -\frac{e^2}{2\pi} \frac{b^\mu}{b \cdot b} \frac{u_1 \cdot u_2}{\sqrt{(u_1 \cdot u_2)^2 - 1}} && \text{Integral straightforward}
 \end{aligned}$$

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In progress with Ben Maybee & Justin Vines

- ❖ Double copy:

$$\mathcal{M} = \text{Diagram} = -\frac{\kappa^2}{16\hbar} \frac{[(2p_1 + q) \cdot (2p_2 - q)]^2}{q^2} \simeq -\frac{\kappa^2}{\hbar} \frac{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2}{\hbar^2 \bar{q}^2}$$

The diagram shows two external particles with momenta p_1 and p_2 entering from the bottom, and two outgoing particles with momenta p_1+q and p_2-q . A wavy line between them represents the exchange of a virtual particle with momentum q .

- ❖ Therefore the momentum transfer in dilaton gravity is

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$$\Delta p_1^\mu = 4Gm_1m_2 \frac{b^\mu}{b \cdot b} \frac{(u_1 \cdot u_2)^2 - \frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{(u_1 \cdot u_2)^2 - 1}}$$

Portilla;

Westpfahl, Goller;

Ledvinka, Schäfer, Bičák; Damour

- ❖ Definitely attractive: follows from the double copy
- ❖ Extract scattering angle easily

2. LO Radiation

- ❖ Leading classical limit of radiated momentum

$$\langle k^\mu \rangle = \int Dk Dp_1 Dp_2 k^\mu \left| \int Dp'_1 Dp'_2 e^{ib \cdot p'_1} \delta^4 \left(\sum p \right) \phi_1(p'_1) \phi_2(p'_2) \right. \\
 \rightarrow \int D\bar{k} \bar{k}^\mu \hbar^7 \left| \int d^4\bar{q}_1 d^4\bar{q}_2 \delta(u_1 \cdot \bar{q}_1) \delta(u_2 \cdot \bar{q}_2) e^{ib \cdot \bar{q}_1} \delta^4(\bar{q}_1 + \bar{q}_2 - \bar{k}) \right. \\
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- ❖ Unpack notation a little more:

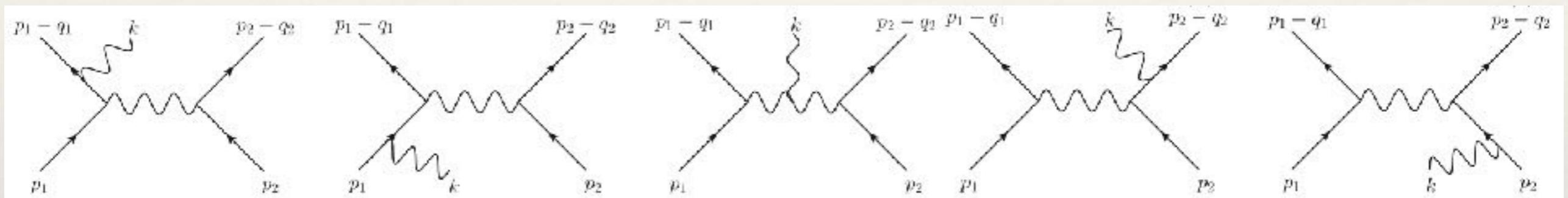
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- ❖ This classical formula was used by Goldberger and Ridgway
- ❖ Quantity $\mathcal{J} = \epsilon_\mu \partial^2 A^\mu$ in terms of classical gauge field
- ❖ Amplitudes double copy \Rightarrow double copy for classical radiation

 *Talks by Shen, Carrillo González*

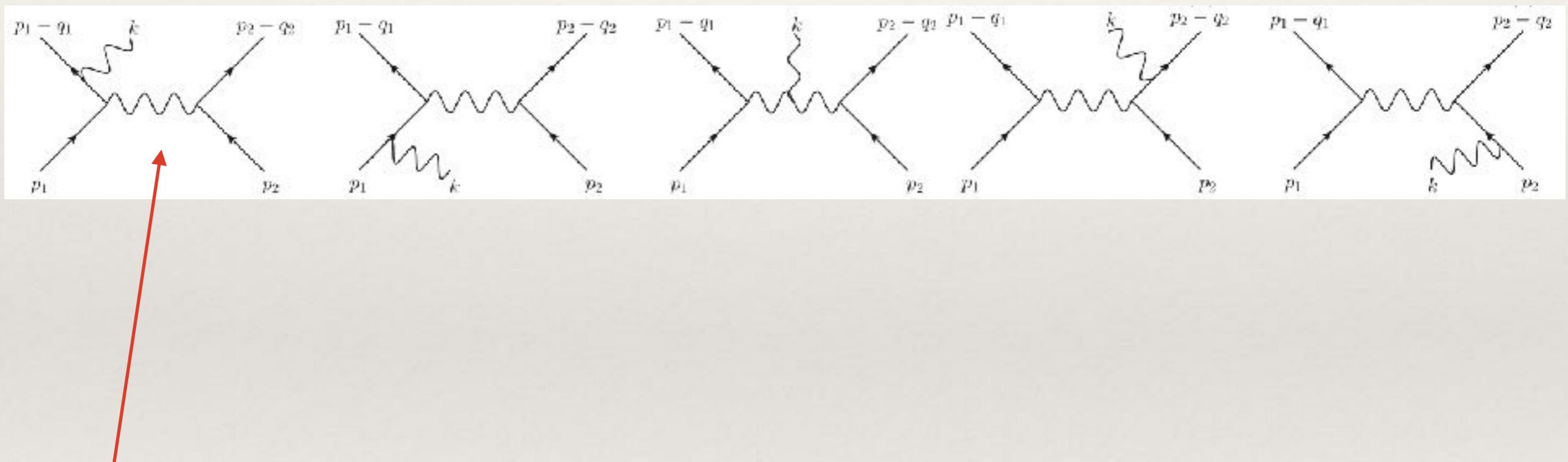
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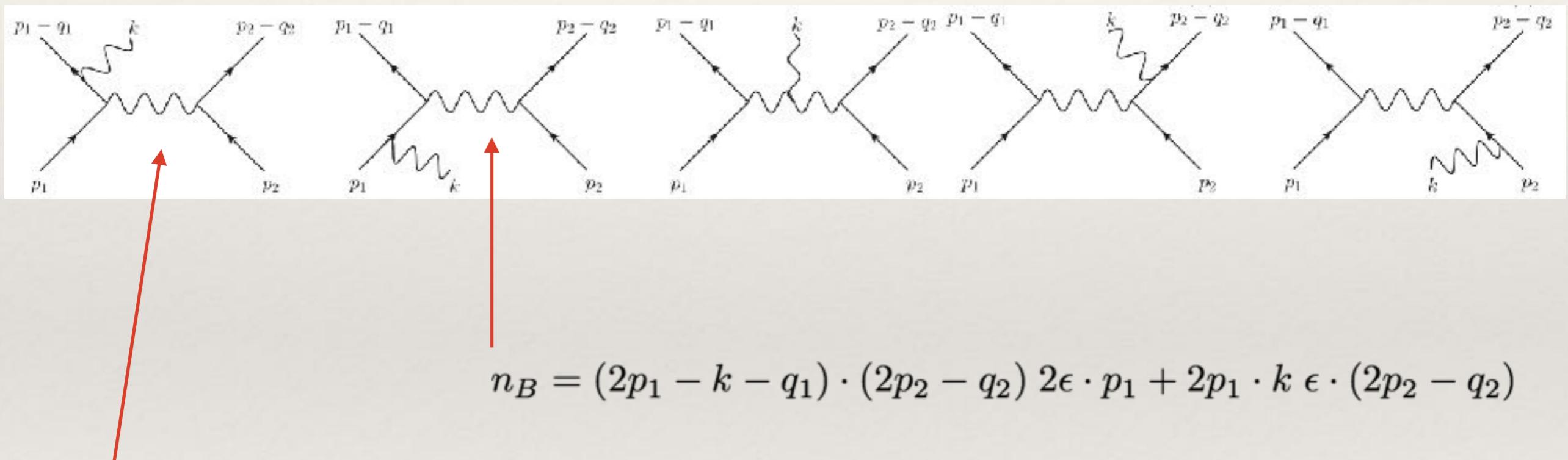
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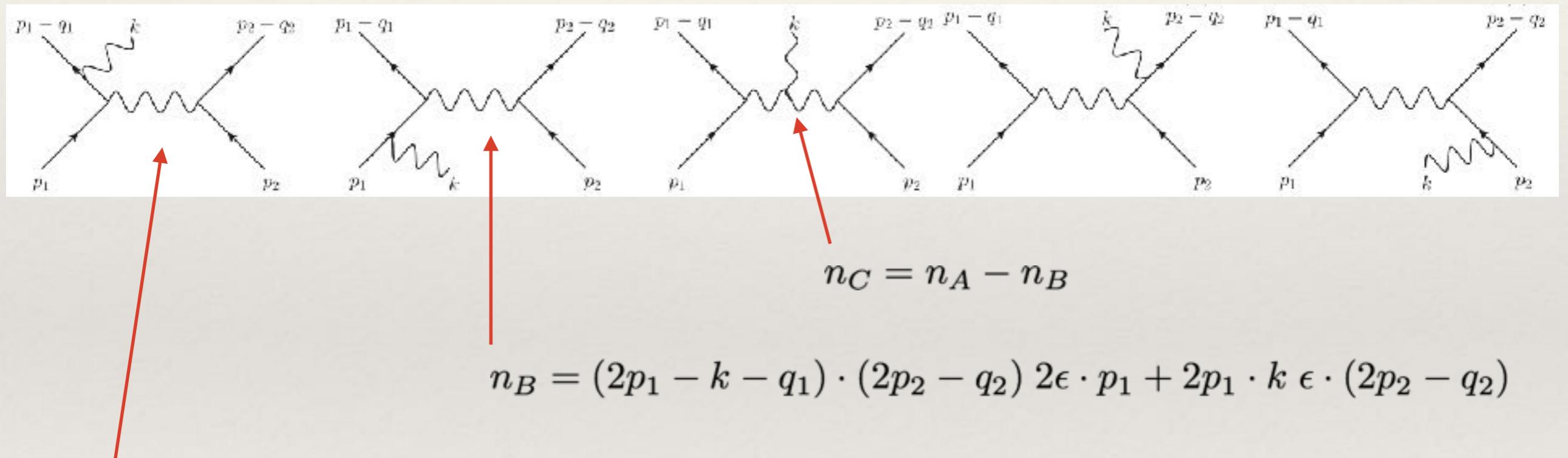
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- ❖ Now expand in \hbar
 - ❖ Leading order term vanishes! (Singular in \hbar)
 - ❖ To get classical term, need to expand propagators...

$$\frac{(n_0 + \delta n)^2}{d_0 + \delta d} = \frac{n_0^2}{d_0} + \frac{2n_0 \delta n}{d_0} - \frac{n_0^2 \delta d}{d_0^2}$$

- ❖ Generate funny denominators, hard to see Jacobi relation
 - ❖ Double copy more obscure in classical case: quantum > classical

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- ❖ Insert into radiation formula; matches direct GR calculation

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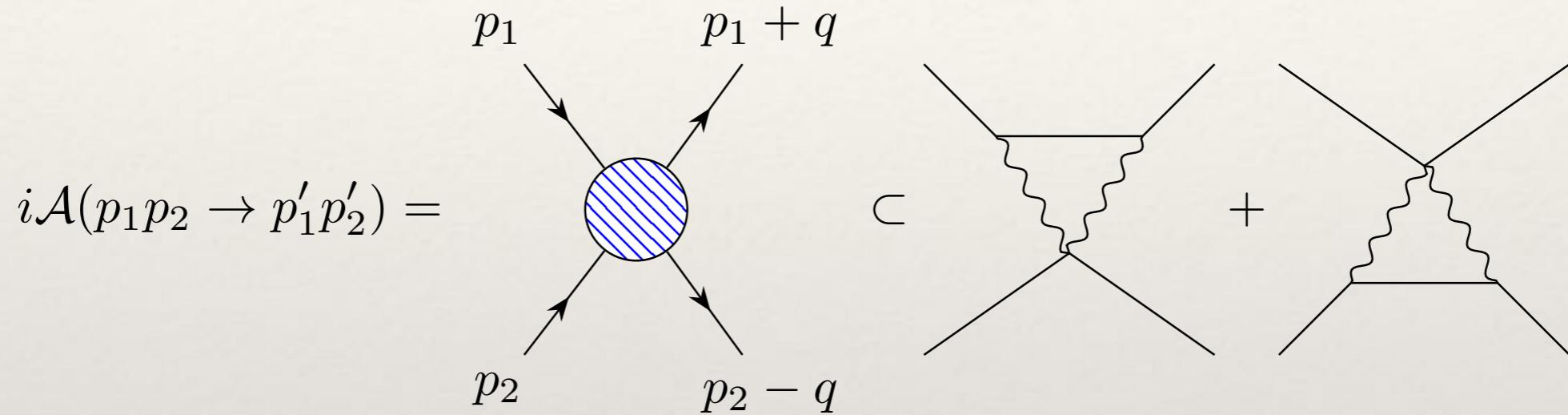
- ❖ As well as term linear in amplitude, now encounter cut

$$\langle \Delta p_1^\mu \rangle = \int_{\text{on-shell}} e^{-ib \cdot q} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of a loop with internal lines } q^\mu \times \\ \phi_1(p_1) \quad \phi_1^*(p_1 + q) \\ \phi_2(p_2) \quad \phi_2^*(p_2 - q) \end{array} + \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4} \ell^\mu \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of two ovals connected by a horizontal line} \\ \phi_1(p_1) \rightarrow p_1 + \ell \rightarrow \phi_1^*(p_1 + q) \\ \phi_2(p_2) \rightarrow p_2 + \ell' \rightarrow \phi_2^*(p_2 - q) \end{array} \right).$$

- ❖ Singularities in \hbar cancel between these terms
- ❖ Interesting to see eg how massive propagators get cut

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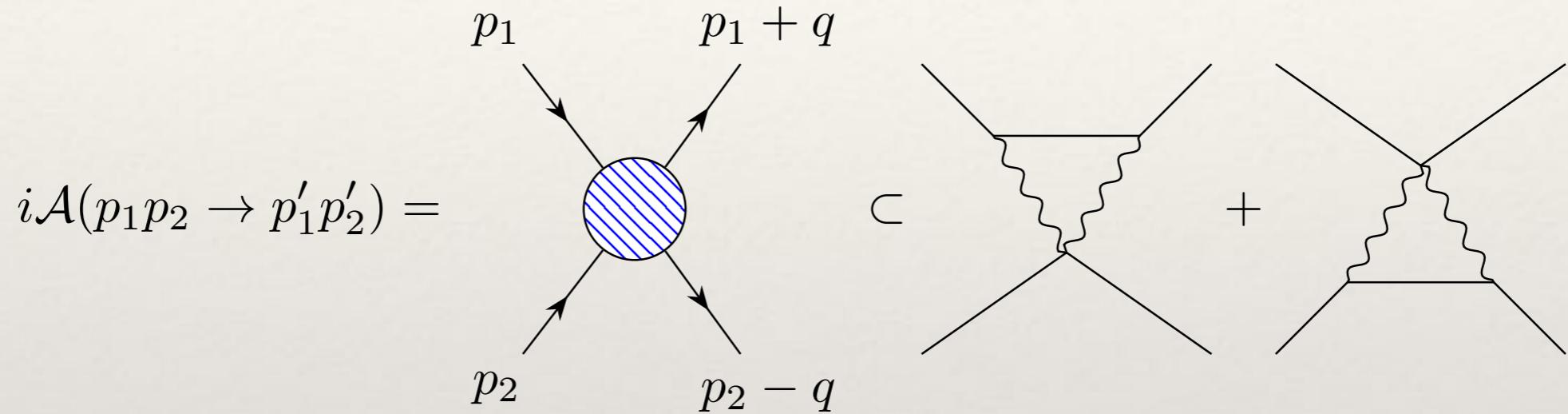


- ❖ Extract \hbar

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{e^4}{\hbar^2} \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{\ell^2 (\ell - \hbar \bar{q})^2} \frac{1}{2p_1 \cdot \ell + \ell^2 + i\epsilon} &\simeq \frac{e^4}{\hbar^2} \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{\ell^2 (\ell - \hbar \bar{q})^2} \frac{1}{2p_1 \cdot \ell + i\epsilon} \\ &= \frac{e^4}{\hbar^3} \int \frac{d^4 \bar{\ell}}{\bar{\ell}^2 (\bar{\ell} - \bar{q})^2} \frac{1}{2p_1 \cdot \bar{\ell} + i\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

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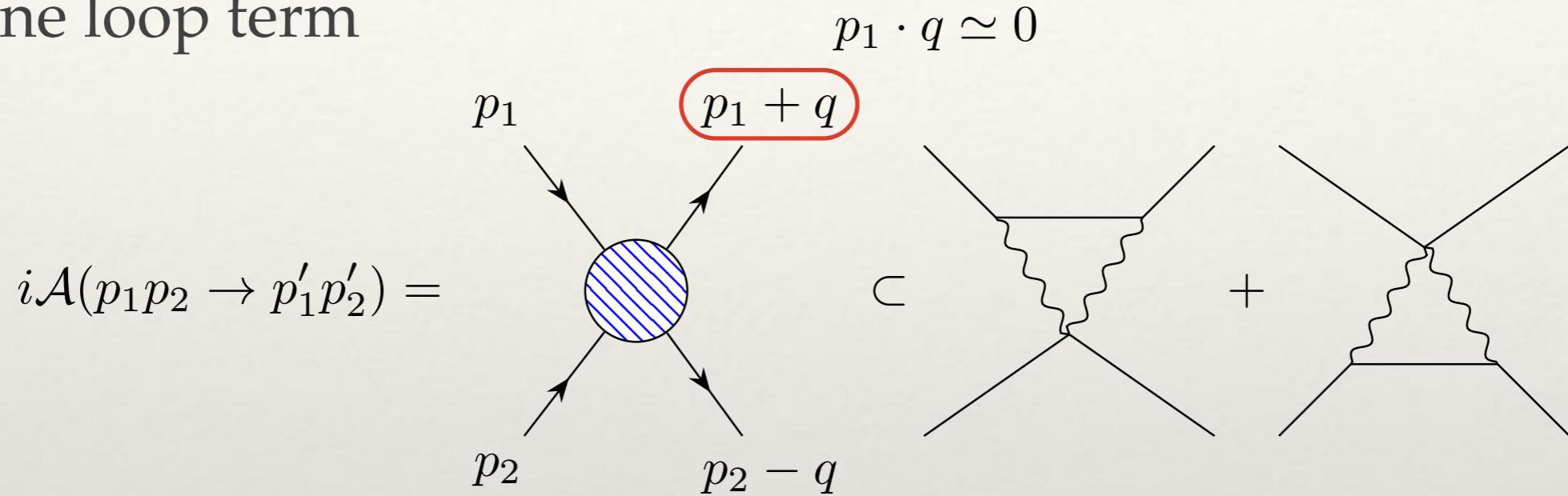


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Conclusions

- ❖ Lots of motivation to calculate in classical perturbative GR
 - ❖ On-shell methods and scattering amplitudes have promise
 - ❖ Can use standard double copy to get radiation, impulse
- ❖ Really understanding quantum theory: new computational power
 - ❖ God didn't make quantum field theory out of spite
 - ❖ We still don't understand colour-kinematics duality