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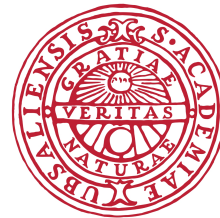
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Post-Minkowskian regime

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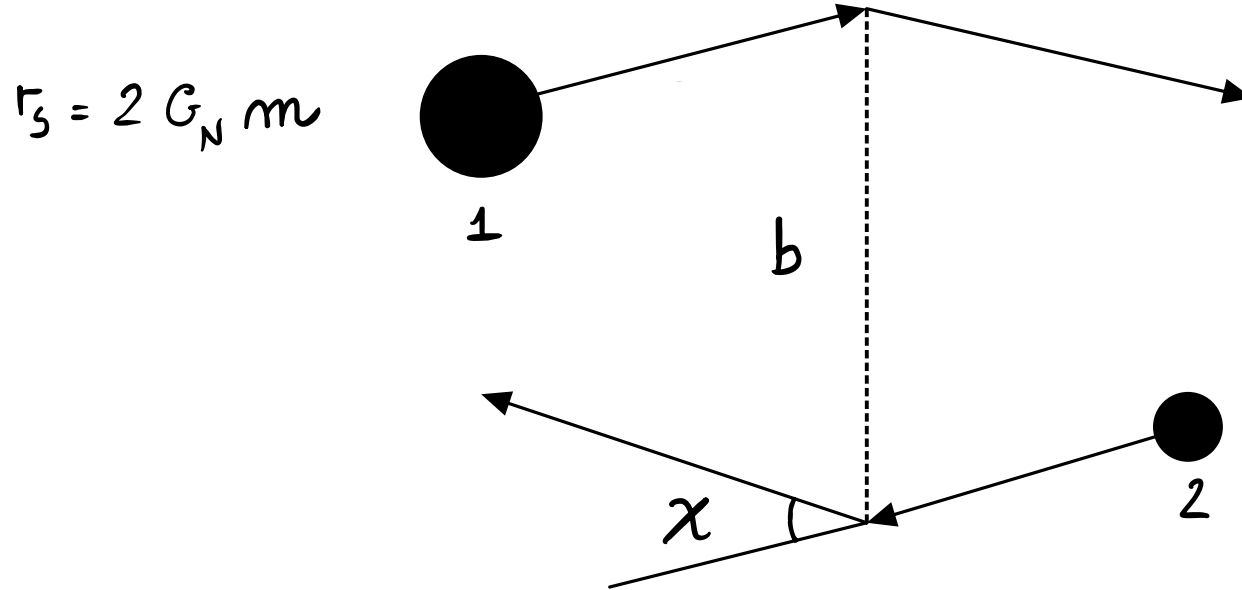
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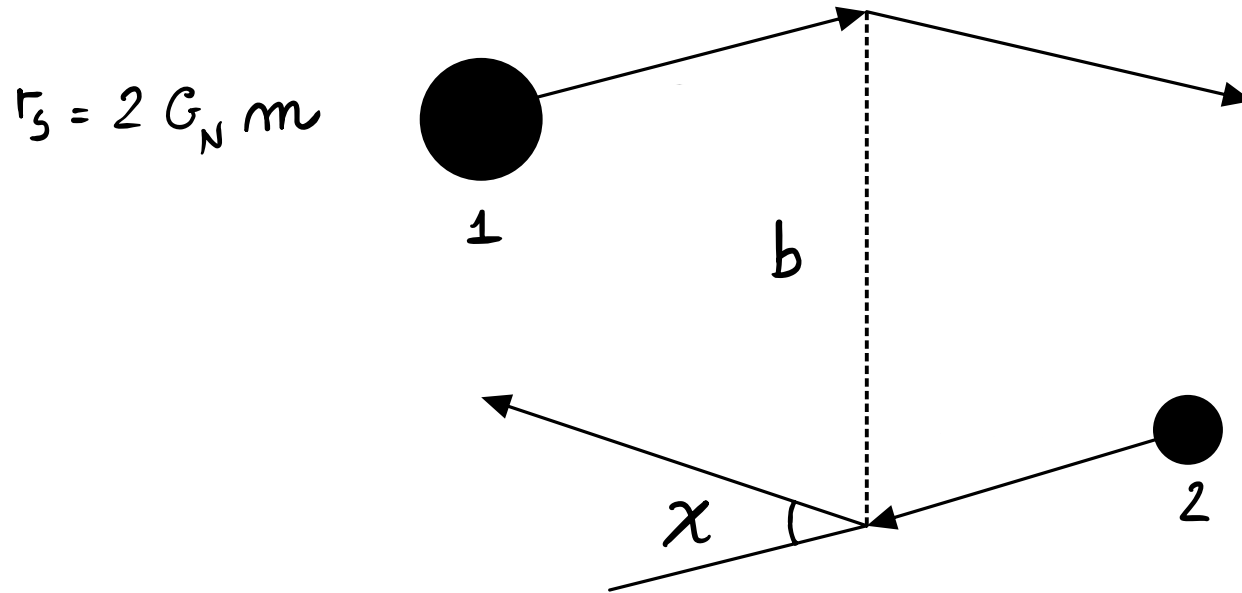
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- Black holes are treated as *classical point-particles*:

$$\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{R}{2 K_N^2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1,2} \left( g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi_\alpha \partial_\nu \phi_\alpha + m_\alpha^2 \phi_\alpha^2 \right) \right]$$

[ Bjerrum-Bohr, Donoghue, Vanhove, Damgaard, Holstein, Festuccia, Peantē, Bern, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng, Herman Parra-Martinez, Di Vecchia, Heissenberg, Russo, Veneziano, Collado, Cristofoli, Kosower, Maybe, O'Connell, ... ]

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$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{q}) = \text{[blob]} = \text{[1PM]} + \text{[2PM]} + \dots = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} G_N^{\ell+1} \mathcal{M}^{(\ell)}(\mathbf{q})$$

The diagram shows the perturbative expansion of a blob. On the left, a grey oval with four external lines is labeled  $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{q})$ . This is equal to a series of diagrams: a single wavy line between two vertices (1PM), a double wavy line between two vertices (2PM), and so on. The series is summed as  $\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} G_N^{\ell+1} \mathcal{M}^{(\ell)}(\mathbf{q})$ .

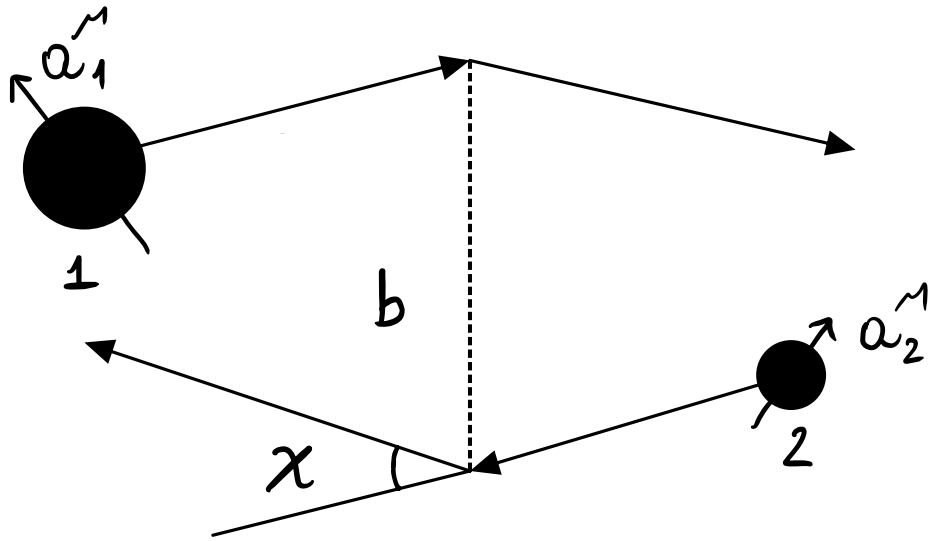
Classical observables are encoded in the **eikonal phase**

$$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}(\mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{4E|\mathbf{P}|} \int d^2\mathbf{q} \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{q}) e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{b}} \underset{\hbar \rightarrow 0}{\sim} i \left( 1 - e^{2i\delta(\mathbf{b})} \right)$$

$$\delta(\mathbf{b}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} G_N^{\ell+1} \delta^{(\ell)}(\mathbf{b})$$

Observables are expanded as  $\theta = G_N \theta^{(1)} + G_N^2 \theta^{(2)} + \dots$  (e.g.  $\chi, T$ )

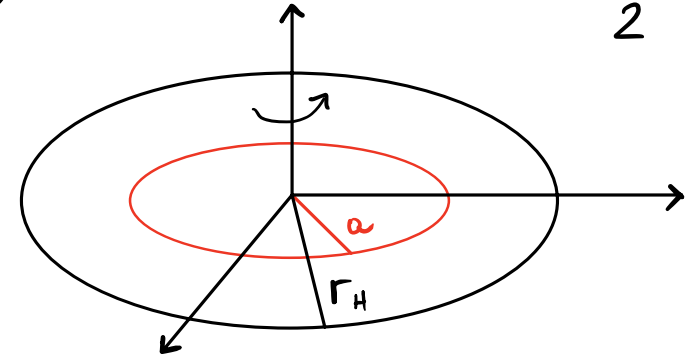
# Kerr black-hole scattering in the PM regime:



ring radius: event horizon:

$$a^M = \frac{S^M}{m}$$

$$r_H = r_s + \frac{\sqrt{r_s^2 - 4a^2}}{2}$$



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• From quantum mechanics:  $S^2 = S_M S^M = \hbar^2 s(s+1)$

$\downarrow$  0       $\downarrow$   $\infty$

• Kerr black holes:  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty}$  (massive  $s$  fields)

[Arkani-Hamed, Huang, Huang, Bern, Luna, Roiban, Sen, Zeng, Gevorgian, Ochirov, Vines, Aronde, Haddad, Helset, Chung, Kim, Chen, Chiodoroli, Pichini, Johansson, Jakobson, Mogull, Plefka, Steinhardt, ...]

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Classical transfer momentum/spin kick:

- $Q^M = - \frac{\partial}{\partial b_M} \mathcal{M}_4(a, b)$

- $\Delta a_a^M = \frac{1}{m_a^2} \left( P_a^M a_a^\nu \frac{\partial}{\partial b^\nu} - \epsilon^{M\nu\rho\sigma} P_{a\nu} a_{a\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial a_a^\sigma} \right) \mathcal{M}_4(a, b)$

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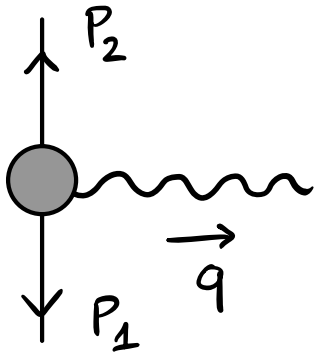
M: A simple Lagrangian would allow to increase the precision in analytical computations (e.g.  $n$ PM  $n > 1$ )

## 3-point amplitudes

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Gravity (Kerr) [Vines, 2017]

"Minimal coupling" [Arkani-Hamed, Huang, Huang, 2017]

Higher points are not known in full generality!

# Minimal coupling with classical spin

[F.A.]

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- It is a "good" covariant derivative:  $D_{\mu}^{(\alpha)} \phi_{\alpha} \rightarrow \mathcal{U} D_{\mu}^{(\alpha)} \phi_{\alpha} !!!$

$$D_{\mu}^{(\alpha)} \equiv \text{classical spin connection} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^{(\alpha)} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{free}}(\partial_{\mu} \rightarrow D_{\mu}^{(\alpha)}) \text{ [F.A.]}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{wavy line} \\ \downarrow \\ q_1 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{wavy line} \\ \downarrow \\ q_2 \end{array} = ig^2 \Lambda^{\nu\rho}(\alpha, q_1) \Lambda^{\mu\sigma}(\alpha, q_2)$$

Contact terms are generated by the same mechanism that selects them in the spinless case. Schwarzschild is minimal.

Q: Are Kerr black-holes minimal?

## Kerr three-point and tree-level (1PM)

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- Observables  $\rightarrow$  *eikonal*

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$$\tilde{\mathcal{M}}(a, b) = \frac{1}{4E|P|} \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^{2-2\epsilon}} \mathcal{M}(q) e^{i q \cdot b} = i \left( 1 - e^{2i\delta(b)} \right)$$

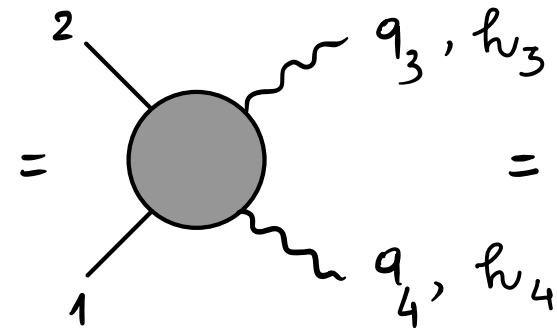
$$\propto \sum_{\pm} \frac{1}{|b \pm ia|^{-2\epsilon}} \leftarrow \text{Newman-Janis shift}$$

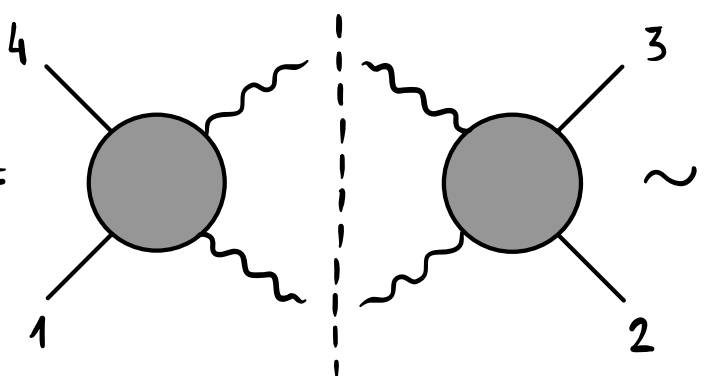
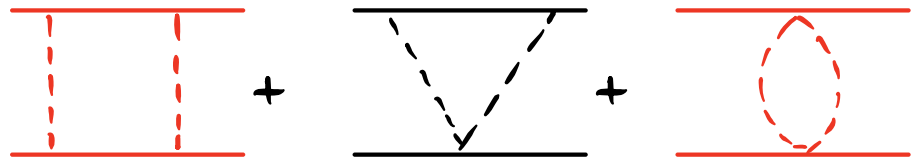
# Kerr Compton amplitude & 1-loop amplitude (2PM)

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$$= \kappa_N^4 \left[ c_{\Delta} I_{\Delta}(a) + (c_{\Delta})_{\mu\nu} I_{\Delta}^{\mu\nu}(a) + (d_{\Delta})_{\mu} J_{\Delta}^{\mu}(a) + (m_1 \leftrightarrow m_2) \right] \quad \text{[F.A.]}$$

$$I_{\Delta}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_m}(a) = \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\ell^{\mu_1} \dots \ell^{\mu_m} \cosh(2a \cdot \ell + a \cdot q)}{\ell^2 (e+q)^2 [(e+p_1)^2 - m_1^2]}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{K, K_1, K_2} |\tilde{M}_5|^2 \stackrel{\epsilon \rightarrow 0}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int_{K, K_1, K_2} \left| K_N \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{P_i^\mu P_i^\nu}{P_i \cdot K} \tilde{M} \right|^2$$

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- By knowing the 1PM amplitude we can compute  $2\delta_2^{\text{rr}}(b) \Rightarrow \chi_2^{\text{rr}}(b)$

$$\chi_2^{\text{rr}}(b) = -\frac{1}{P} \frac{\partial}{\partial b} \text{Re } 2\delta_2^{\text{rr}}(b)$$







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"San Gennaro's miracle"





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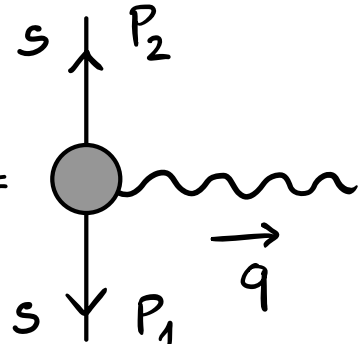
M: (super) String  $\supset$  Gravity  $\supset$  Kerr;

M: Strings are consistent; Unique  $n$ -point amplitudes;

M: Strings contain naturally an infinite tower of massive higher spins.

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Note that  $A_3^{(\text{string})}(a)$  and  $M_3^{(\text{string})}(a)$  used are  $\alpha'$  exact!

# 4-point amplitudes

- Higher spin vertices in open superstring:

$$\hat{V}_{s+1}^{\nu_1 \dots \nu_m}(P_1) = \frac{e^{-\phi}}{\sqrt{s!}} i \epsilon(P_1) \cdot \Psi(i \epsilon(P_1) \cdot \partial_z X) \underbrace{\left( \partial_z X^{\nu_1} \dots \partial_z X^{\nu_m} \right)}_{i\sqrt{2\alpha'} P_1 \cdot X} e$$

$\nu_1 \dots \nu_m$  are indices along compact dimensions

Mass on-shell:  $-P_1^2 = m^2 = \frac{s+m}{\alpha'}$  (spin 1 (s=0) is massive)

- QED Compton:

$$A_4^{(string)}(s+1) = \langle 0 | \hat{V}_{s+1}(P_1) \hat{V}_{gluon}(q_1) \hat{V}_{s+1}(P_2) \hat{V}_{gluon}(q_2) | 0 \rangle$$

• Spin 0  $A_4^{(0)} = - \frac{P_1 \cdot F_1 \cdot F_2 \cdot P_1}{P_1 \cdot q_1 P_1 \cdot q_2}$

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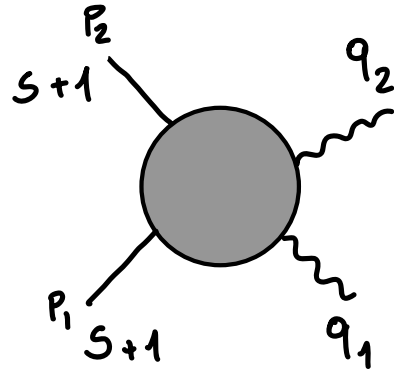
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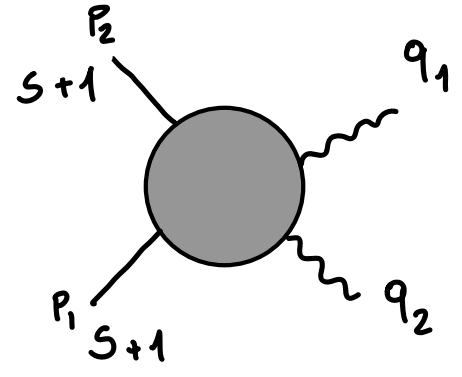
- Spin 2  $A_4^{(2)} = (\tilde{\epsilon}_1 \cdot \tilde{\epsilon}_2) A_4^{(1)} - \frac{2 P_1 \cdot q}{P_1 \cdot q_1 P_1 \cdot q_2} \tilde{\epsilon}_1 \cdot F_1 \cdot \tilde{\epsilon}_2 \tilde{\epsilon}_1 \cdot F_2 \cdot \tilde{\epsilon}_2 - \frac{(\tilde{\epsilon}_1 \cdot \tilde{\epsilon}_2)}{P_1 \cdot q_1 P_1 \cdot q_2} \left( P_1 \cdot F_1 \cdot P_2 \tilde{\epsilon}_1 \cdot F_2 \cdot \tilde{\epsilon}_2 + P_1 \cdot F_2 \cdot P_1 \tilde{\epsilon}_1 \cdot F_1 \cdot \tilde{\epsilon}_2 + P_1 \cdot q_2 \tilde{\epsilon}_1 \cdot F_1 \cdot F_2 \cdot \tilde{\epsilon}_2 + P_1 \cdot q_1 \tilde{\epsilon}_1 \cdot F_2 \cdot F_1 \cdot \tilde{\epsilon}_2 \right)$

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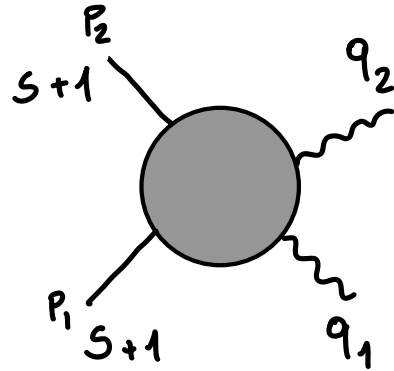


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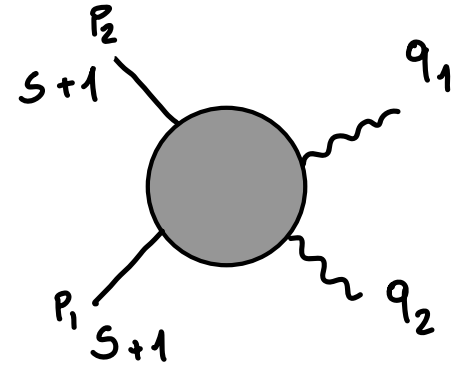


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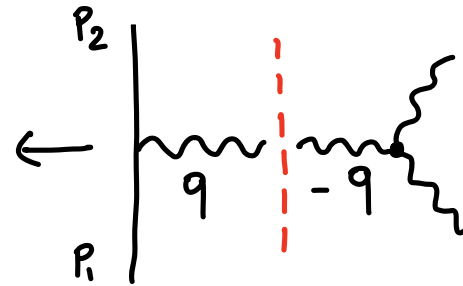


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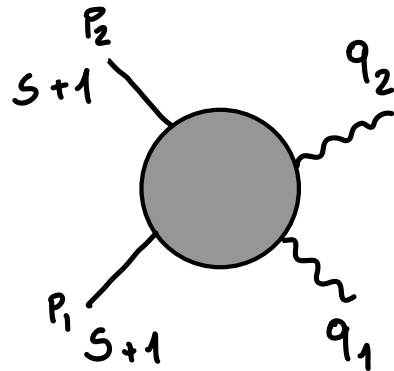
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read the 3 point

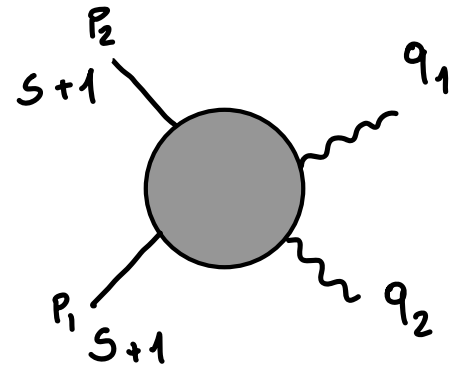


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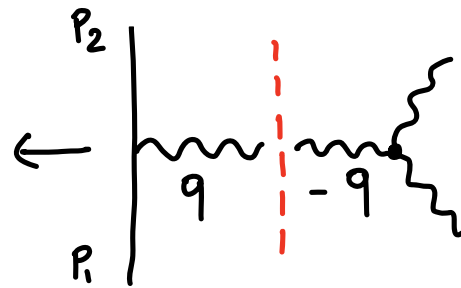


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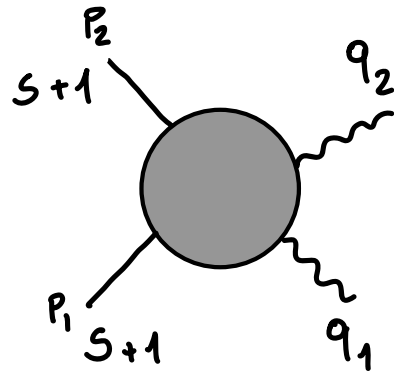
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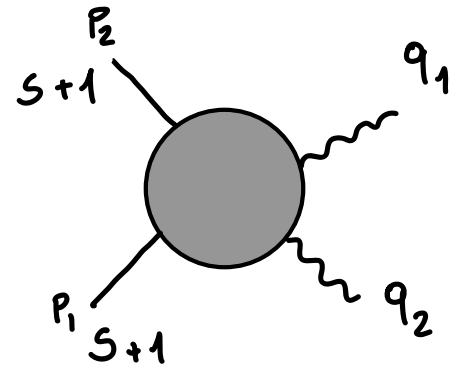
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# (SOME) OPEN QUESTIONS

- Compute also

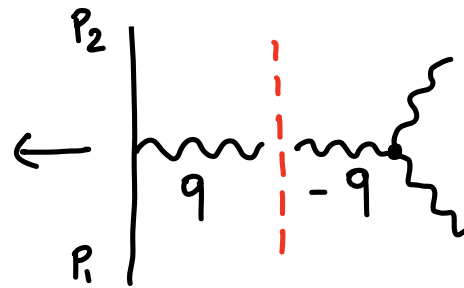


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↓ massless pole ( $q \rightarrow 0$ )

read the 3 point



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- Take  $s \rightarrow \infty$