

# SCATTERING OF SPINNING BLACK HOLES AT 4PM ORDER

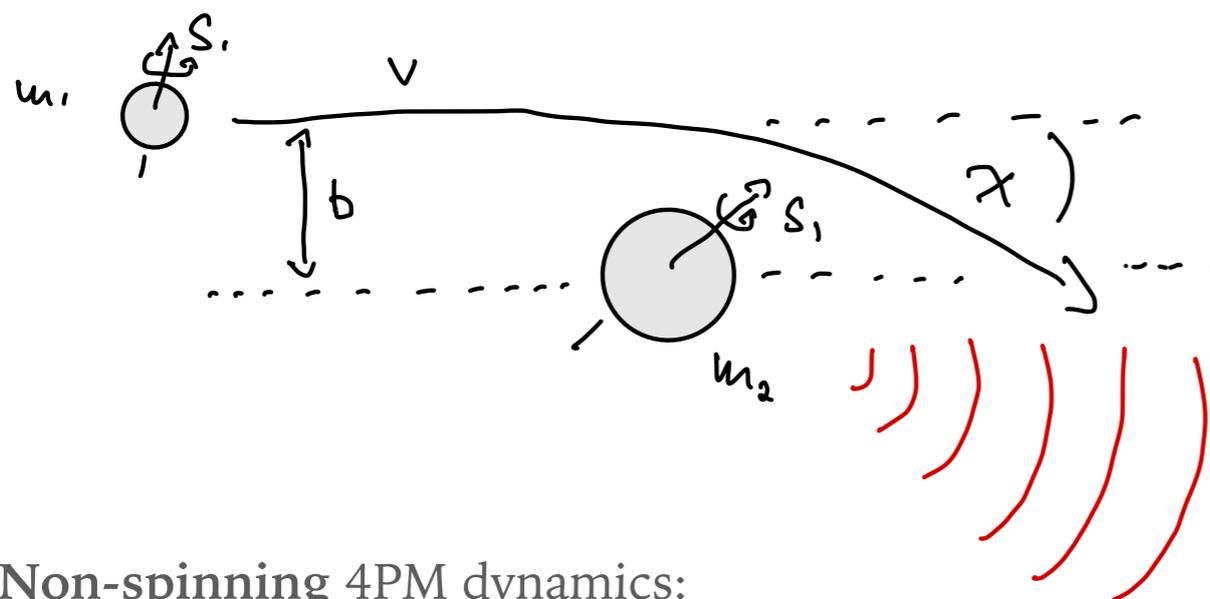


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**Rethinking  
Quantum Field Theory**

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# 4PM SCATTERING WITH SPIN

- Scattering of two **spinning particles** (black holes) at 4PM ( $G^4$ ):



$$\gamma = v_1 \cdot v_2$$

$$\Delta p_1^\mu = p_1(\tau = +\infty) - p_1(\tau = -\infty)$$

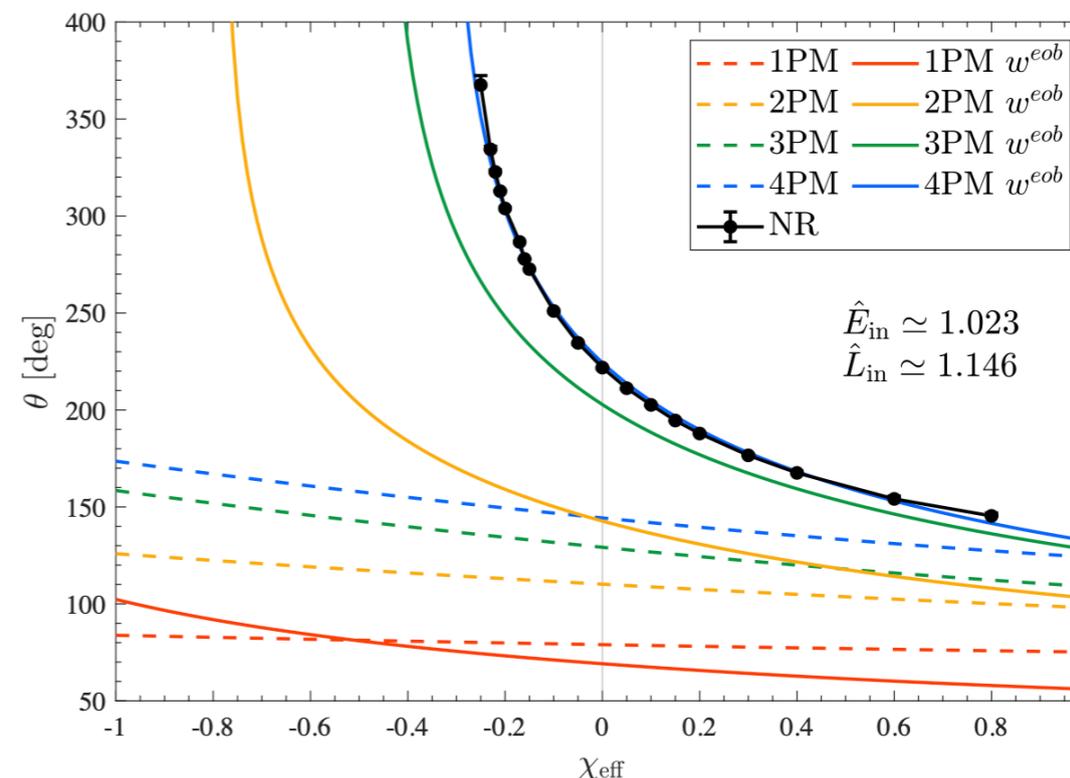
$$\Delta S_1^\mu = S_1(\tau = +\infty) - S_1(\tau = -\infty)$$

$$\Delta p_1^\mu = G\Delta p_1^{(1)\mu} + G^2\Delta p_1^{(2)\mu} + G^3\Delta p_1^{(3)\mu} + G^4\Delta p_1^{(4)\mu}$$

- Non-spinning 4PM dynamics:

- [Dlapa, Kälin, Liu, Neef, Porto] (complete, using PM EFT)
- [Damgaard, Hansen, Planté, Vanhove] (complete, using KMOC + exponential S-matrix)
- [Bern, Parra-Martinez, Roiban, Ruf, Shen, Solon, Zeng] (conservative only, KMOC)

- Scattering observables **encode 2-body problem**: inform **EOB models**, c.f. [Damour, Retegno]



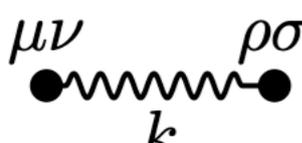
**We now have full spin-orbit ( $S^1$ ) observables including radiation-reaction!**

$$S = -\frac{2}{\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R - \sum_{i=1}^2 \int d\tau_i \frac{m_i}{2} g_{\mu\nu} \dot{x}_i^\mu \dot{x}_i^\nu$$

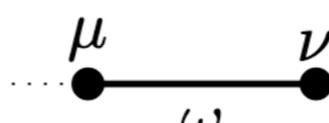
$$g_{\mu\nu}(x) = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}(x)$$

$$x_i^\mu(\tau_i) = b_i^\mu + \tau_i v_i^\mu + z_i^\mu(\tau_i)$$

- Promote gravitons, deflections to propagating d.o.f's... with **retarded** i0 prescription!



$$= i \frac{P_{\mu\nu;\rho\sigma}}{(k^0 + i\epsilon)^2 - \mathbf{k}^2}$$

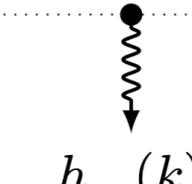


$$= -i \frac{\eta^{\mu\nu}}{m(\omega + i\epsilon)^2}$$

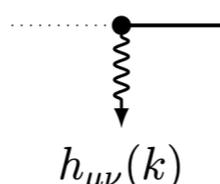
$$P_{\mu\nu;\rho\sigma} = \eta_{\mu(\rho} \eta_{\sigma)\nu} - \frac{1}{D-2} \eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\rho\sigma}$$

Theory trivially lifts to D=4-2ε dimensions

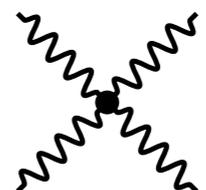
- Gravitons live in the bulk, carry momentum.
- Deflections live on the worldline, carry energy.



$$= -i \frac{m}{2m_{\text{Pl}}} e^{ik \cdot b} \delta(k \cdot v) v^\mu v^\nu,$$



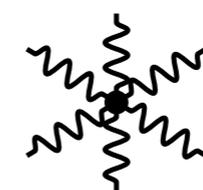
$$= \frac{m}{2m_{\text{Pl}}} e^{ik \cdot b} \delta(k \cdot v + \omega) (2\omega v^{(\mu} \delta_{\rho}^{\nu)} + v^\mu v^\nu k_\rho)$$



$$\sim \sqrt{G}^2 k^2,$$



$$\sim \sqrt{G}^3 k^2$$



$$\sim \sqrt{G}^4 k^2, \dots$$

Tree-level one-point functions = Solutions to classical equations of motion

# SCATTERING OBSERVABLES

- For momentum impulse draw tree diagrams with 1 outgoing line:

$$\Delta p_1^\mu = -m_1 \omega^2 \langle z_1^\mu(\omega) \rangle |_{\omega=0} = \text{Diagram } G + \text{Diagram } G^2 + \dots$$

- **All graphs are trees.** Loop integrals arise from **lack of momentum conservation**:

$$= \int_{q, \ell, \omega} \frac{\delta(\omega - \ell \cdot v_1) \delta(\omega + (q - \ell) \cdot v_1) \delta(\ell \cdot v_2) \delta((q - \ell) \cdot v_2)}{(\omega + i0)^2 \ell^2 (\ell - q)^2} e^{iq \cdot b}$$

$$= \int_q \delta(q \cdot v_1) \delta(q \cdot v_2) e^{iq \cdot b} \int_\ell \frac{\delta(\ell \cdot v_2)}{(\ell \cdot v_1 + i0)^2 \ell^2 (\ell - q)^2}$$

- Similar derivation of the **gravitational waveform**:

$$\langle h_{\mu\nu}(k) \rangle = \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} + \dots$$

- First-quantized theory of a **spin-N/2 particle** in a **flat background (D=4+1)**:

$$S = - \int d\tau \left[ p_M \dot{x}^M + \frac{i}{2} \psi_\alpha^A \dot{\psi}_\alpha^B \eta_{AB} - e H - i \chi^\alpha Q_\alpha - \frac{1}{2} f_{\alpha\beta} M^{\alpha\beta} \right]$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} p^2, \quad Q_\alpha = p \cdot \psi_\alpha, \quad M_{\alpha\beta} = i \psi_\alpha \cdot \psi_\beta. \quad \{x^M, p_N\} = \delta_N^M, \quad \{\psi_\alpha^A, \psi_\beta^B\} = -i \delta_{\alpha\beta} \eta^{AB},$$

- Theory enjoys an **N-SUSY algebra** ( $\alpha=1,2,\dots,N$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \{Q_\alpha, Q_\beta\} &= -2i \delta_{\alpha\beta} H, & \{H, Q_\beta\} &= \{H, M_{\alpha\beta}\} = 0, \\ \{M_{\alpha\beta}, Q_\gamma\} &= -2\delta_{\gamma[\alpha} Q_{\beta]}, & \{M_{\alpha\beta}, M^{\gamma\delta}\} &= -4\delta_{[\alpha}^{[\gamma} M_{\beta]}^{\delta]}. \end{aligned}$$

- Coupling to a **curved background** possible up to **N=2** (spin-1) [Bastianelli, Benincasa, Giombi '05]:

$$Q = \psi^a e_a^\mu(x) \pi_\mu \quad \pi_\mu = p_\mu - i \omega_{\mu ab} \bar{\psi}^a \psi^b$$

$$\{Q, \bar{Q}\} = -2i \underbrace{\left[ \frac{1}{2} (g^{\mu\nu} \pi_\mu \pi_\nu - m^2 - R_{abcd} \bar{\psi}^a \psi^b \bar{\psi}^c \psi^d) \right]}_H$$

# GLOBAL SUSY ACTION

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- Gauge fix action by setting  $e=1$ , Lagrange multipliers to zero:

$$S_{\text{BH/NS}} = -m \int d\tau \left[ \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} \dot{x}^\mu \dot{x}^\nu + i\bar{\psi} D_\tau \psi + \frac{1}{2} R_{abcd} \bar{\psi}^a \psi^b \bar{\psi}^c \psi^d + C_E R_{\alpha\mu b\nu} \dot{x}^\mu \dot{x}^\nu \bar{\psi}^a \psi^b \bar{\psi} \cdot \psi \right]$$

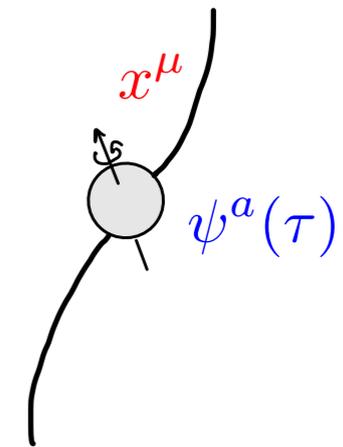
spin degrees of freedom

neutron star term

- Theory now enjoys a **global SUSY**:

$$\delta x^\mu = i e_a^\mu (\bar{\epsilon} \psi^a + \epsilon \bar{\psi}^a),$$

$$\delta \psi^a = -\epsilon e_\mu^a \dot{x}^\mu - \delta x^\mu \omega_\mu^a{}_b \psi^b$$



- Symmetries imply **conserved charges**:  $S^{\mu\nu} = -2i\bar{\psi}^{[\mu} \psi^{\nu]} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_\rho a_\sigma$

$$\dot{x}^2 = 1 + R_{abcd} \bar{\psi}^a \psi^b \bar{\psi}^c \psi^d \quad \bar{\psi} \cdot \psi = s$$

Conserved spin length

$$p \cdot \psi = p \cdot \bar{\psi} = 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad p_\mu S^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Covariant SSC

- Neutron star term **preserves SUSY up to  $O(S^2)$** .

# SPINNING WQFT FEYNMAN RULES

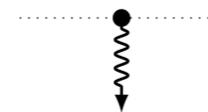
- Inclusion of spin requires **extended Feynman rules**:

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x) = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}(x)$$

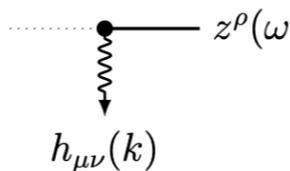
$$x_i^\mu(\tau_i) = b_i^\mu + \tau_i v_i^\mu + z_i^\mu(\tau_i)$$

$$\psi_i^\mu(\tau_i) = \Psi_i^\mu + \psi_i^{\prime\mu}(\tau_i)$$

$$\mathcal{S}^{\mu\nu} = -2i\bar{\Psi}^{[\mu}\Psi^{\nu]}$$



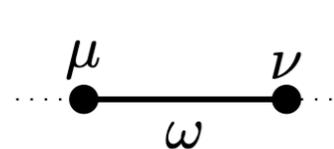
$$h_{\mu\nu}(k) = -i\frac{m\kappa}{2}e^{ik\cdot b}\delta(k\cdot v) \times \left( v^\mu v^\nu + i(k\cdot \mathcal{S})^{(\mu}v^{\nu)} - \frac{1}{2}(k\cdot \mathcal{S})^\mu(k\cdot \mathcal{S})^\nu + \frac{C_E}{2}v^\mu v^\nu(k\cdot \mathcal{S}\cdot \mathcal{S}\cdot k) \right),$$



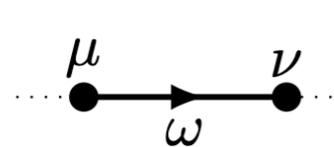
$$h_{\mu\nu}(k) = \frac{m\kappa}{2}e^{ik\cdot b}\delta(k\cdot v + \omega)$$

$$\times \left( 2\omega v^{(\mu}\delta_{\rho}^{\nu)} + v^\mu v^\nu k_\rho + i(k\cdot \mathcal{S})^{(\mu}(k_\rho v^{\nu)} + \omega\delta_{\rho}^{\nu)} + \frac{1}{2}k_\rho(k\cdot \mathcal{S})^\mu(\mathcal{S}\cdot k)^\nu + \frac{C_E}{2} \left( (2\omega v^{(\mu}\delta_{\rho}^{\nu)} + v^\mu v^\nu k_\rho)(k\cdot \mathcal{S}\cdot \mathcal{S}\cdot k) - \omega^2 k_\rho(\mathcal{S}\cdot \mathcal{S})^{\mu\nu} + 2\omega^2(k\cdot \mathcal{S}\cdot \mathcal{S})^{(\mu}\delta_{\rho}^{\nu)} \right) \right)$$

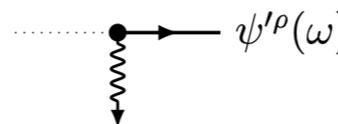
- Propagators:



$$= -i\frac{\eta^{\mu\nu}}{m(\omega + i\epsilon)^2},$$



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$$h_{\mu\nu}(k) = -im\kappa e^{ik\cdot b}\delta(k\cdot v + \omega)$$

$$\times \left( k_{[\rho}\delta_{\sigma]}^{(\mu}(v^{\nu)} - i(\mathcal{S}\cdot k)^{\nu)} + iC_E \left( v^{(\mu}k_\lambda + \omega\delta_\lambda^{(\mu)} \right) \left( v^{\nu)}k_{[\rho} + \omega\delta_{[\rho}^{\nu)} \right) \mathcal{S}^{\lambda}_{\sigma]} \right) \bar{\Psi}^\sigma.$$

- Equivalent to solving **Mattison-Papapetrou-Dixon (MPD) EoMs**.

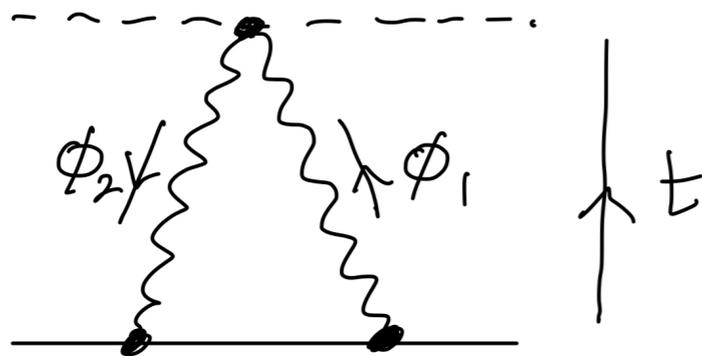
- Combine worldline modes into a “superfield”:  $Z_i = \{z_i, \psi_i'\}$

- Formal path-integral description using **Schwinger-Keldysh in-in (CTP)** formalism:

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(t, \mathbf{x}) \rangle_{\text{in-in}} := \text{in} \langle 0 | U(-\infty, t) \mathcal{O}(t, \mathbf{x}) U(t, -\infty) | 0 \rangle_{\text{in}}$$

- Path integral involves **2 copies of the theory**:

$$Z[J_1, J_2] = \int \mathcal{D}[\phi_1, \phi_2] \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} \left[ (S[\phi_1] - S[\phi_2]) + \int d^4x (J_1(x)\phi_1(x) - J_2(x)\phi_2(x)) \right] \right\}$$



$$\phi_1(t = +\infty, \mathbf{x}) = \phi_2(t = +\infty, \mathbf{x})$$

$$\phi_1(t = -\infty, \mathbf{x}) = \phi_2(t = -\infty, \mathbf{x}) = 0$$

$$\langle \phi_A(x) \phi_B(y) \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \langle 0 | \mathcal{T} \phi(x) \phi(y) | 0 \rangle & \langle 0 | \phi(y) \phi(x) | 0 \rangle \\ \langle 0 | \phi(x) \phi(y) | 0 \rangle & \langle 0 | \mathcal{T}^* \phi(x) \phi(y) | 0 \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D_F(x, y) & D_-(x, y) \\ D_+(x, y) & D_D(x, y) \end{pmatrix}$$

# KELDYSH BASIS

- Huge simplification in the Keldysh basis, with advanced & retarded propagators:

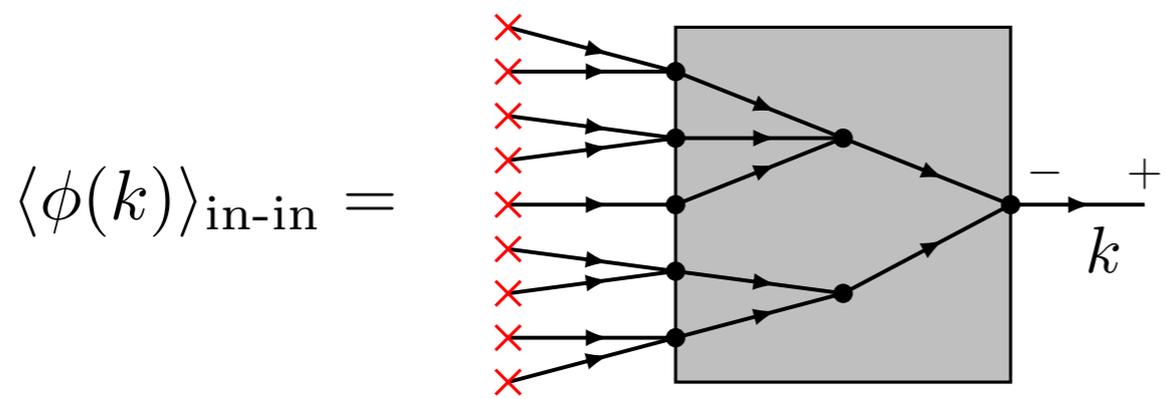
$$\langle \phi_a(x) \phi_b(y) \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} D_H(x, y) & D_{\text{ret}}(x, y) \\ -D_{\text{adv}}(x, y) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi_+ = \frac{1}{2}(\phi_1 + \phi_2) \quad \phi_- = \phi_1 - \phi_2$$

$$\tilde{D}_{\text{ret}}(k) = \begin{array}{c} \bullet \longrightarrow \bullet \\ - \qquad \qquad + \end{array} = \frac{-i}{(k^0 + i0)^2 - \mathbf{k}^2},$$

$$\tilde{D}_{\text{adv}}(k) = \begin{array}{c} \bullet \longleftarrow \bullet \\ + \qquad \qquad - \end{array} = \frac{-i}{(k^0 - i0)^2 - \mathbf{k}^2},$$

- Diagrams conspire to ensure **forward-in-time flow of causality**:



Absorbs the cuts present in e.g. KMOC formalism

$$\frac{1}{k^2 + \text{sgn}(k^0)i0} = \frac{1}{k^2 + i0} + 2i\pi\theta(-k^0)\delta(k^2)$$

- Upshot: calculate tree-level 1-point functions using **in-out Feynman rules + retarded propagators**.
- But: we must now handle loop integrals with a **retarded i0 prescription!**

# 4PM MOMENTUM IMPULSE

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta P_1^\mu = & \text{[diagram: 4 wavy lines, 2 solid top, 2 dashed bottom]} + \text{[diagram: 4 wavy lines, 1 solid top, 1 dashed bottom, 2 internal wavy]} + \dots + m_1 m_2^4 \\
 & + \text{[diagram: 4 wavy lines, 2 solid top, 2 dashed bottom]} + \text{[diagram: 4 wavy lines, 1 solid top, 1 dashed bottom, 2 internal wavy]} + \dots + m_1^2 m_2^3 \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

► With the retarded prescription, **causality flows towards the outgoing line.**

$$\int_q e^{-iq \cdot b} \delta(q \cdot v_1) \delta(q \cdot v_2) \int_{l_1, l_2, l_3} \frac{\text{num}[l_i]}{D_1 \cdots D_{12}} \delta(l_1 \cdot v_{i_1}) \delta(l_2 \cdot v_{i_2}) \delta(l_3 \cdot v_{i_3})$$

**Passarino-Veltman reduction yields scalar integrals — no irreducible numerators**

$$l_i^\mu \rightarrow l_i \cdot v_1 \hat{v}_1^\mu + l_i \cdot v_2 \hat{v}_2^\mu + \frac{l_i \cdot q}{q^2} q^\mu \qquad v_i \cdot \hat{v}_j = \delta_{ij}$$

# INTEGRAND CONSTRUCTION

$$\langle Z_i(\omega) \rangle = \textcircled{Z_i} \xrightarrow{\omega}, \quad \langle h_{\mu\nu}(k) \rangle = \textcircled{h} \rightsquigarrow_k.$$

- All graphs are **nested trees**, so we can use **Berends-Giele recursion** to conveniently obtain all contributions. We get **529 distinct graphs!**
- Fast implementation with **FORM**, which is also good for handling anti-commuting spin variables.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{Z_1} \xrightarrow{\omega} &= \dots + \textcircled{Z_1} \xrightarrow{\omega} + \frac{1}{2} \textcircled{Z_1} \xrightarrow{\omega} + \dots + \frac{1}{2} \textcircled{Z_1} \xrightarrow{\omega} + \frac{1}{2} \textcircled{Z_1} \xrightarrow{\omega} + \dots \\ \textcircled{h} \rightsquigarrow &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \left( \dots + \textcircled{Z_i} \xrightarrow{\omega} + \frac{1}{2} \textcircled{Z_i} \xrightarrow{\omega} + \dots + \dots + \textcircled{Z_i} \xrightarrow{\omega} + \frac{1}{2} \textcircled{Z_i} \xrightarrow{\omega} + \dots \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \textcircled{h} \rightsquigarrow + \frac{1}{3!} \textcircled{h} \rightsquigarrow + \frac{1}{4!} \textcircled{h} \rightsquigarrow + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- All contributions will reduce to scalar integrals, so having a messy loop integrand **doesn't matter!**

# METHOD OF REGIONS: A FIRST GLIMPSE

- Loop momenta are characterised by **2 possible scalings**:

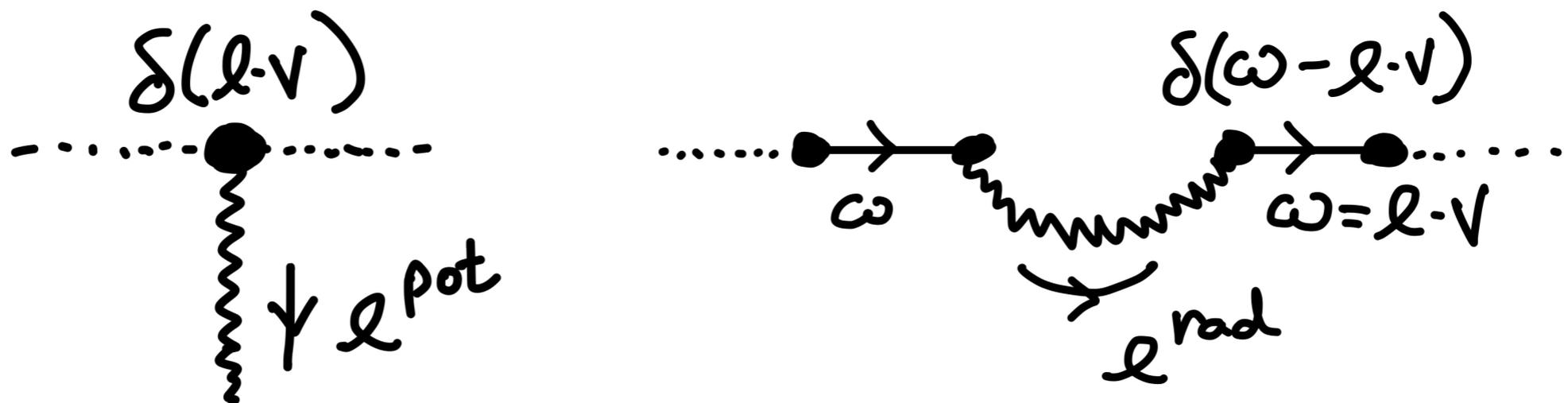
$$l_i^{\text{pot}} = (l_i^0, \mathbf{l}_i) \sim (v, 1), \quad l_i^{\text{rad}} = (l_i^0, \mathbf{l}_i) \sim (v, v)$$

- We distinguish between **active & passive** propagators. These can & can't go on-shell over the domain of integration:

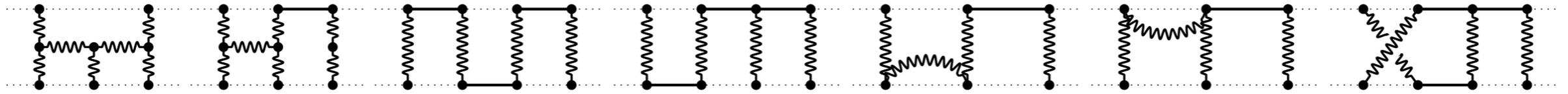
$$l_i^2 = (l_i^0)^2 - \mathbf{l}_i^2 = 0 \quad \implies \quad l_i \sim l_i^{\text{rad}}$$

$$l_i \cdot v = \gamma(l_i^0 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{l}_i) = 0 \quad \implies \quad l_i \sim l_i^{\text{pot}}$$

If a propagator is passive, then we don't care about its  $i0$  prescription!



# INTEGRAL FAMILIES



- At 4PM we need **2 integral bases** to handle all contributions:

$$J_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{12}}^{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_5)} = \int_{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3} \frac{\delta(\ell_1 \cdot v_1) \delta(\ell_2 \cdot v_1) \delta(\ell_3 \cdot v_2)}{D_1^{n_1} D_2^{n_2} \dots D_{12}^{n_{12}}} \quad I_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{12}}^{(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_6)} = \int_{\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3} \frac{\delta(\ell_1 \cdot v_2) \delta(\ell_2 \cdot v_1) \delta(\ell_3 \cdot v_1)}{\tilde{D}_1^{n_1} \tilde{D}_2^{n_2} \dots \tilde{D}_{12}^{n_{12}}}$$

$$D_1 = \ell_1 \cdot v_2 + \sigma_1 i0^+, \quad D_2 = \ell_2 \cdot v_1 + \sigma_2 i0^+, \quad D_3 = \ell_3 \cdot v_1 + \sigma_3 i0^+,$$

$$D_4 = (\ell_1 - \ell_3)^2 + \sigma_4 \text{sgn}(\ell_1^0 - \ell_3^0) i0^+, \quad D_5 = (\ell_2 - \ell_3)^2 + \sigma_5 \text{sgn}(\ell_2^0 - \ell_3^0) i0^+,$$

$$D_6 = (\ell_1 - \ell_2)^2, \quad D_7 = \ell_1^2, \quad D_8 = \ell_2^2, \quad D_9 = \ell_3^2,$$

$$D_{10} = (\ell_1 + q)^2, \quad D_{11} = (\ell_2 + q)^2, \quad D_{12} = (\ell_3 + q)^2,$$

- **Two active gravitons** per graph define regions: (PP), (PR), (RP), (RR)
- Integration-by-parts relations (IBPs) [FIRE, LiteRed] **don't care about the i0 prescription**; symmetries care!
- All integrals are **strictly real/imaginary (b-type/v-type)**

Number of masters integrals: J: 64+66, I: 23+23

# DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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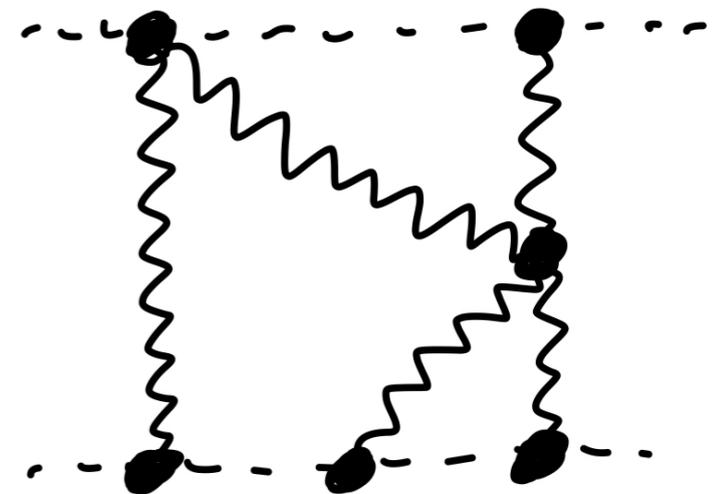
- We seek a **canonical basis of integrals** c.f. [Dlapa, Kälin, Neef, Liu, Porto]:

$$\frac{d\vec{I}(x)}{dx} = \epsilon A(x) \vec{I}(x) \quad x = \gamma - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}$$

- This is a **highly non-trivial task!** A few hints...
  1. Organise into **block diagonals**, using **top-level sectors**
  2. Most useful algorithms: **INITIAL, CANONICA**  
(we also used **Fuchsia, Libra, Epsilon**)
  3. Elliptic K/E 3x3 block in the **canonical transformation**  
— solves a **degree-3 Picard-Fuchs equation**
- Canonical basis enables an **order-by-order solution** to DEs.

$$\vec{I}(x) = \vec{I}_0 + \epsilon \left( \vec{I}_1 + \int dx A(x) \vec{I}_0 \right) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

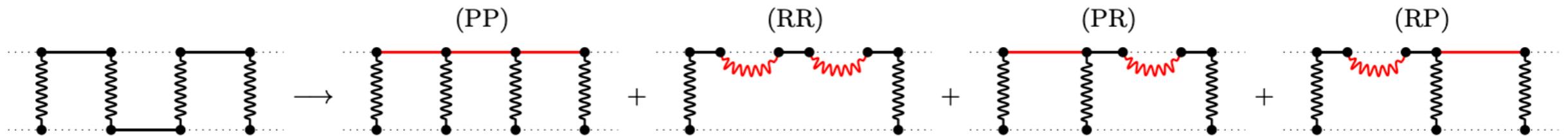
- Remaining task, to fix the boundary constants. Here **the i0 matters!**



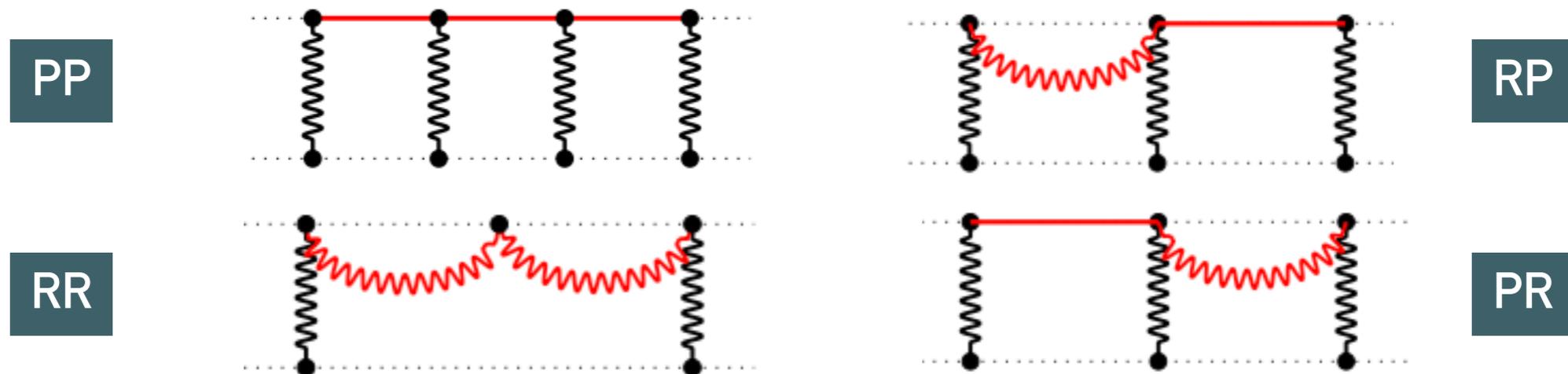
# BOUNDARY FIXING

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- In the slow-velocity limit, re-express master integrals in terms of those with a **simpler velocity dependence**:



- Simpler boundary integrals are handled using IBPs, with **top-level sectors**:



- Passive worldline propagators **don't appear in the masters!**
- Graviton bubbles are integrated out yielding more worldline propagators:

$$\int_k \frac{\delta(\omega - k \cdot v_1)}{((k^0 + i0)^2 - \mathbf{k}^2)^n} = \int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{1}{((\omega + i0)^2 - \mathbf{k}^2)^n} = \left( \frac{e^{-i\pi}}{4\pi} \right)^{\frac{D-1}{2}} \frac{\Gamma(n - \frac{D-1}{2})}{\Gamma(n)} (\omega + i0)^{D-1-2n}.$$

# ASSEMBLING RESULTS, CONSISTENCY CHECKS

- Two N=1 supercharges are conserved:

$$p_1^2 = (p_1 + \Delta p_1)^2 \implies p_1 \cdot \Delta p_1^{(4)} = -\Delta p_1^{(1)} \cdot \Delta p_1^{(3)} - \Delta p_1^{(2)} \cdot \Delta p_1^{(2)}$$

$$p_1 \cdot \psi_1 = (p_1 + \Delta p_1) \cdot (\psi_1 + \Delta \psi_1) \implies \psi_1 \cdot \Delta p_1^{(4)} + p_1 \cdot \Delta \psi_1^{(4)} = -\Delta p_1^{(1)} \cdot \Delta \psi_1^{(3)} - \Delta p_1^{(2)} \cdot \Delta \psi_1^{(2)} - \Delta p_1^{(3)} \cdot \Delta \psi_1^{(1)}$$

- Dimensional regularisation  $1/\epsilon$  poles **cancel between PP/RR**, implying a **logarithmic velocity dependence (non-localities)**:

$$\Delta p_1^{(PP)} = \frac{P(\gamma)}{2\epsilon} + \dots, \quad \Delta p_1^{(RR)} = -v^{-4\epsilon} \frac{P(\gamma)}{2\epsilon} + \dots$$

$$\implies \Delta p_1^{(PP+RR)} = \Delta p_1^{(PP)} + \Delta p_1^{(RR)} = P(\gamma) \log \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} + \dots$$

- Change in the spin tensor, spin vector given by:

$$S_1^{\mu\nu} = -2i\bar{\psi}_1^{[\mu} \psi_1^{\nu]} \implies \Delta S_1^{\mu\nu} = -2i(\Delta \bar{\psi}_1^{[\mu} \psi_1^{\nu]} + \bar{\psi}_1^{[\mu} \Delta \psi_1^{\nu]} + \Delta \bar{\psi}_1^{[\mu} \Delta \psi_1^{\nu]})$$

$$S_1^\mu = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^\mu{}_{\nu\rho\sigma} p_1^\nu S_1^{\rho\sigma} \implies \Delta S_1^\mu = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^\mu{}_{\nu\rho\sigma} (\Delta p_1^\nu S_1^{\rho\sigma} + p_1^\nu \Delta S_1^{\rho\sigma} + \Delta p_1^\nu \Delta S_1^{\rho\sigma})$$

# FINAL RESULTS

## ► Momentum impulse:

$$\Delta p_1^{(4)\mu} = \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2}{|b|^4} \sum_{l, \sigma=b, v} \rho_l^{(\sigma)\mu} \left[ \left( \frac{m_2^2}{m_1} c_l^{(\sigma)}(\gamma) + \frac{m_1^2}{m_2} \bar{c}_l^{(\sigma)}(\gamma) \right) + \sum_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}(\gamma) \left( m_2 d_{\alpha, l}^{(\sigma)}(\gamma) + m_1 \bar{d}_{\alpha, l}^{(\sigma)}(\gamma) \right) \right],$$

Probe Limit

$$\rho_l^{(b)\mu} = \left\{ \hat{b}^{\mu}, \frac{a_i \cdot \hat{L}}{|b|} \hat{b}^{\mu}, \frac{a_i \cdot \hat{b}}{|b|} \hat{L}^{\mu} \right\},$$

$$\rho_l^{(v)\mu} = \left\{ v_j^{\mu}, \frac{a_i \cdot \hat{L}}{|b|} v_j^{\mu}, \frac{a_i \cdot v_{\bar{i}}}{|b|} \hat{L}^{\mu} \right\}.$$

## ► Spin kick:

$$\Delta S_1^{(4)\mu} = \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2}{|b|^4} \sum_{l, \sigma} \tilde{\rho}_l^{(\sigma)\mu} \left[ \left( \frac{m_2^2}{m_1} e_l^{(\sigma)}(\gamma) + \frac{m_1^2}{m_2} \bar{e}_l^{(\sigma)}(\gamma) \right) + \sum_{\alpha} F_{\alpha}(\gamma) \left( m_2 f_{\alpha, l}^{(\sigma)}(\gamma) + m_1 \bar{f}_{\alpha, l}^{(\sigma)}(\gamma) \right) \right].$$

Comparable Mass

$$\tilde{\rho}_l^{(b)\mu} = \left\{ \hat{b}^{\mu} a_1 \cdot v_2, \hat{b} \cdot a_1 v_1^{\mu}, \hat{b} \cdot a_1 v_2^{\mu} \right\},$$

$$\tilde{\rho}_l^{(v)\mu} = \left\{ \hat{b} \cdot a_1 \hat{b}^{\mu}, a_1 \cdot v_1 v_2^{\mu}, a_1 \cdot v_2 v_2^{\mu} \right\}$$

## ► Expanded on basis of weight-0,1,2 functions, and elliptic E/K:

$$F_{\alpha}^{(b)}(\gamma) = \left\{ 1, \operatorname{arccosh}[\gamma], \log[\gamma], \log \left[ \frac{\gamma_{\pm}}{2} \right], \right. \\ \left. \operatorname{arccosh}^2[\gamma], \operatorname{arccosh}[\gamma] \log \left[ \frac{\gamma_{\pm}}{2} \right], \log \left[ \frac{\gamma_+}{2} \right] \log \left[ \frac{\gamma_-}{2} \right], \right. \\ \left. \log^2 \left[ \frac{\gamma_+}{2} \right], \operatorname{Li}_2 \left[ \pm \frac{\gamma_-}{\gamma_+} \right], \operatorname{Li}_2 \left[ \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_-}{\gamma_+}} \right], \right. \\ \left. K^2 \left[ \frac{\gamma_-}{\gamma_+} \right], E^2 \left[ \frac{\gamma_-}{\gamma_+} \right], K \left[ \frac{\gamma_-}{\gamma_+} \right] E \left[ \frac{\gamma_-}{\gamma_+} \right] \right\}$$

$$F_{\alpha}^{(v)}(\gamma) = \left\{ 1, \operatorname{arccosh}[\gamma], \log[\gamma], \log \left[ \frac{\gamma_+}{2} \right], \right. \\ \left. \operatorname{Li}_2 \left[ \frac{\gamma_-}{\gamma_+} \right], \operatorname{Li}_2 \left[ \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_-}{\gamma_+}} \right], \operatorname{Li}_2[-x^2], \operatorname{Li}_2[-x] \right\}$$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = \gamma \pm 1$$

$$x = \gamma - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}$$

# CONCLUSIONS & OUTLOOK

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**State-of-the-art 4PM spinning observables** demonstrates power of worldline-based methodology:

- Avoids quantum corrections: classical observables from tree-level diagrams
- Supersymmetric encoding of spin degrees of freedom
- Flow of causality assured by use of retarded propagators, in-in formalism
- Energy conservation on the worldline controls regions of integration

- **Spin<sup>2</sup>**: calculations on the way!
- **Spin<sup>>2</sup>**: must first overcome theoretical limitations
- **5PM**: work begun by [Bern, Herrmann, Roiban, Ruf, Smirnov, Smirnov, Zeng]
- **EOB Resummation** for large scattering angles, mapping to bound orbits

**THANKS FOR LISTENING!**

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# SCATTERING ANGLE

- For aligned spins, introduce a scattering angle:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{p}_f}{|\mathbf{p}_i| |\mathbf{p}_f|}$$

$$p_1^\mu = (E_1, \mathbf{p}_i)$$

$$p_2^\mu = (E_2, -\mathbf{p}_i)$$

- Defined with respect to the **centre-of-mass frame** at  $t = -\infty$

$$\theta^{(4)} = \theta_0^{(4)} + \nu \theta_1^{(4)} + \frac{\nu}{\Gamma^2} \left( \theta_2^{(4)} + \nu \theta_3^{(4)} \right)$$

$$\nu = m_1 m_2 / M^2$$

$$\Gamma = \sqrt{1 + 2\nu(\gamma - 1)}$$

Probe limit

Cons PP+RR

Rad PR

Rad PR+RR

$$s_{\pm} = -(a_1 \pm a_2) \cdot \hat{L}$$

$$\theta_m^{(4)} = \theta_m^{(4,0)} + \theta_m^{(4,+)} s_+ + \theta_m^{(4,-)} \delta s_-$$

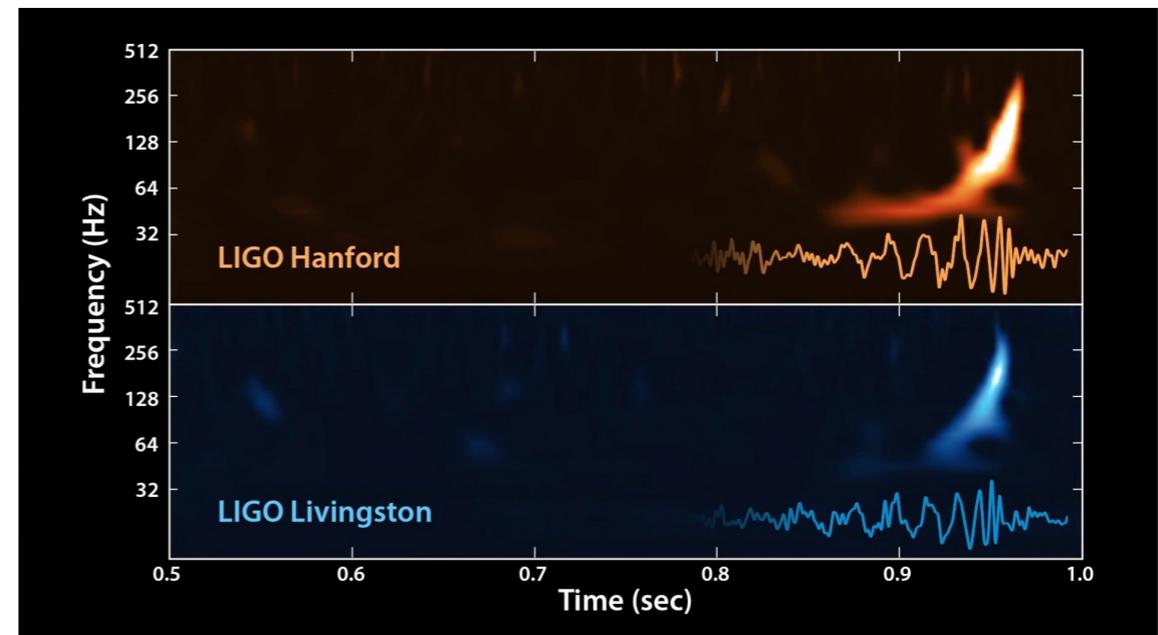
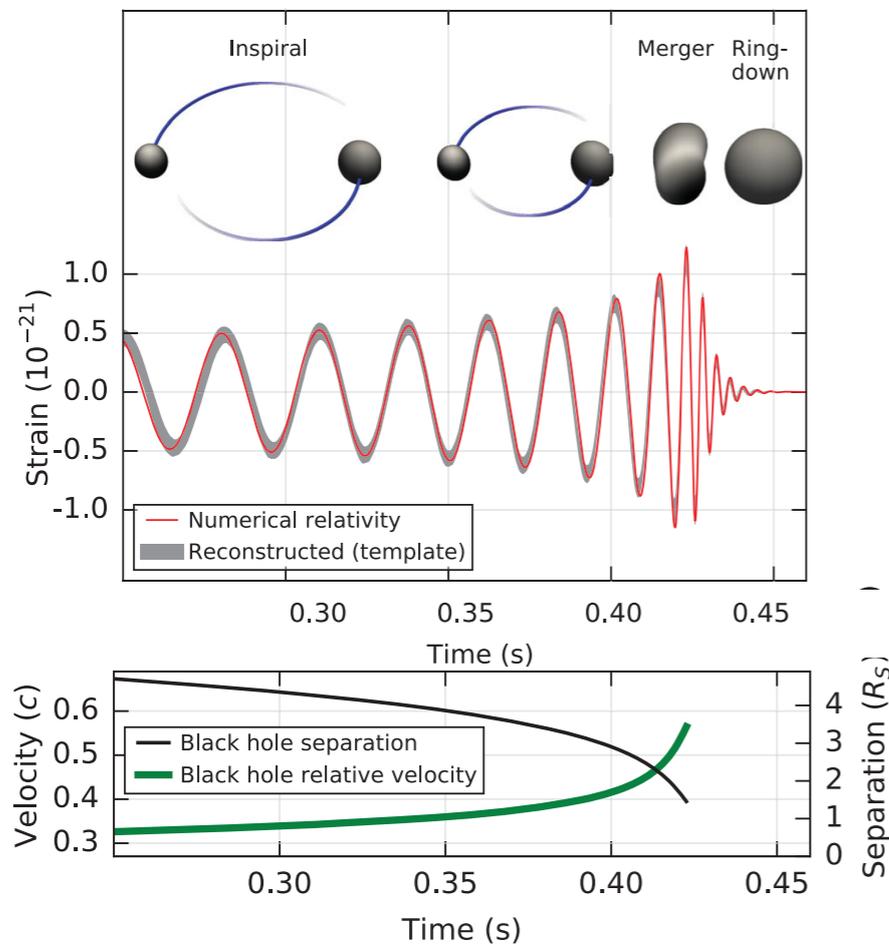
$$\delta = (m_2 - m_1) / M$$

- From **linear response**, learn the **radiated angular momentum**:

$$\theta_{\text{diss}}^{(4,\text{PR})} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial J} \Delta J + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial E} \Delta E \Big|_{G^4}$$

# AMPLITUDES MEETS GRAVITATIONAL WAVES

- In the meantime, amplitudes was shifting its focus to **black holes**... the most perfect *macroscopic* objects in the Universe.



*First detection of a binary merger event by GW emission GW150914*

- Can ideas and techniques from *quantum* particle scattering be used to describe the *classical* 2-body problem?
- Can we make **high-precision GW predictions**? Needed for upcoming LIGO/Virgo/KAGRA runs, 3rd generation detectors (Cosmic Explorer, LISA, Einstein Telescope)

# STATE-OF-THE-ART PM CALCULATIONS

WQFT

[Plefka, Steinhoff, Jakobsen, GM, Sauer]

WEFT

Worldline effective theory

[Källin, Porto, Dlapa, Cho, Liu, ...]  
[Riva, Vernizzi, Mougiakakos, ...]

Amps

Scattering amplitudes

[Bern, Roiban, Shen, Parra-Martinez, Ruf, ...]  
[Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Vanhove, ...]  
[Di Vecchia, Veneziano, Heissenberg, Russo]  
[Solon, Cheung, ...] [Huang, ...] [Guevera, Ochirov, Vines, ...]  
[Johansson, Pichini] [Kosower, O'Connell, Maybee, Cristofoli, Gonzo, ...]

HEFT

Heavy BH effective theory

[Aoude, Haddad, Helset]  
[Brandhuber, Travaglini, Chen]

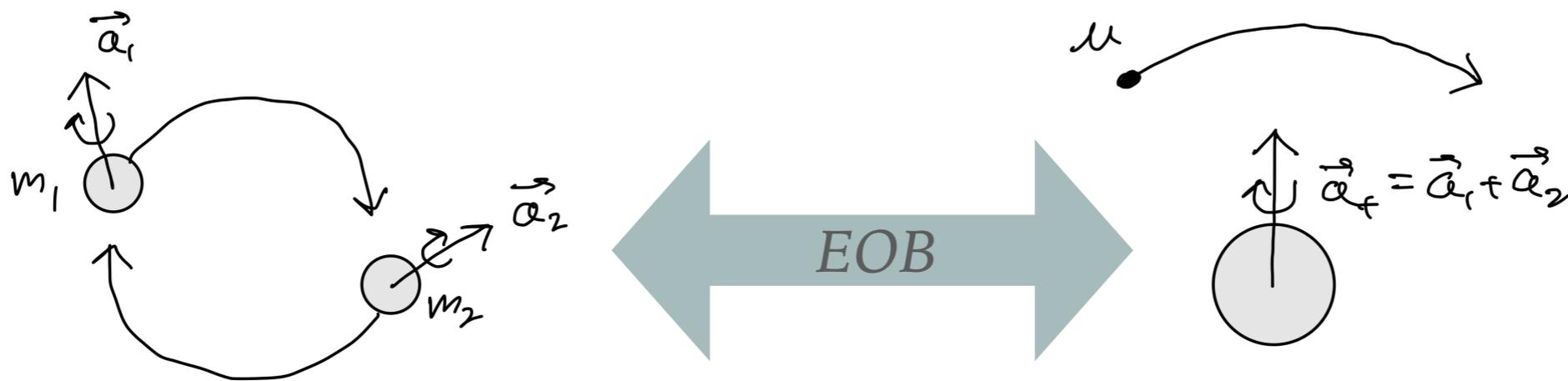
Impulse & spin kick

waveform

	Impulse & spin kick				waveform			
	plain	spin <sup>2</sup>	spin <sup>&gt;2</sup>	tidal	plain	spin <sup>2</sup>	tidal	Integration complexity
<b>1PM</b>	WQFT WEFT Amps HEFT	WQFT WEFT Amps HEFT		X	WQFT WEFT Amps		WQFT WEFT	~ tree-level
<b>2PM</b>	WQFT WEFT Amps HEFT	WQFT WEFT HEFT	Amps	WQFT WEFT Amps	Amps			~ 1-loop
<b>3PM (Cons)</b>	WQFT WEFT Amps HEFT	WQFT (Amps)		WQFT WEFT				~ 2-loop
<b>3PM (Rad)</b>	WQFT WEFT Amps HEFT	WQFT (WEFT)		WQFT WEFT				~ 2-loop
<b>4PM w/o r-r</b>		WEFT						~ 3-loop

# EFFECTIVE-ONE-BODY (EOB)

- ▶ Ongoing work with **Alessandra Buonanno, Raj Patil (AEI)**.
- ▶ Achieve better agreement with NR close to merger (strong-field regime) by **resumming 2-body motion**.
- ▶ Map real 2-body motion to a test particle in a **deformed Kerr background**.



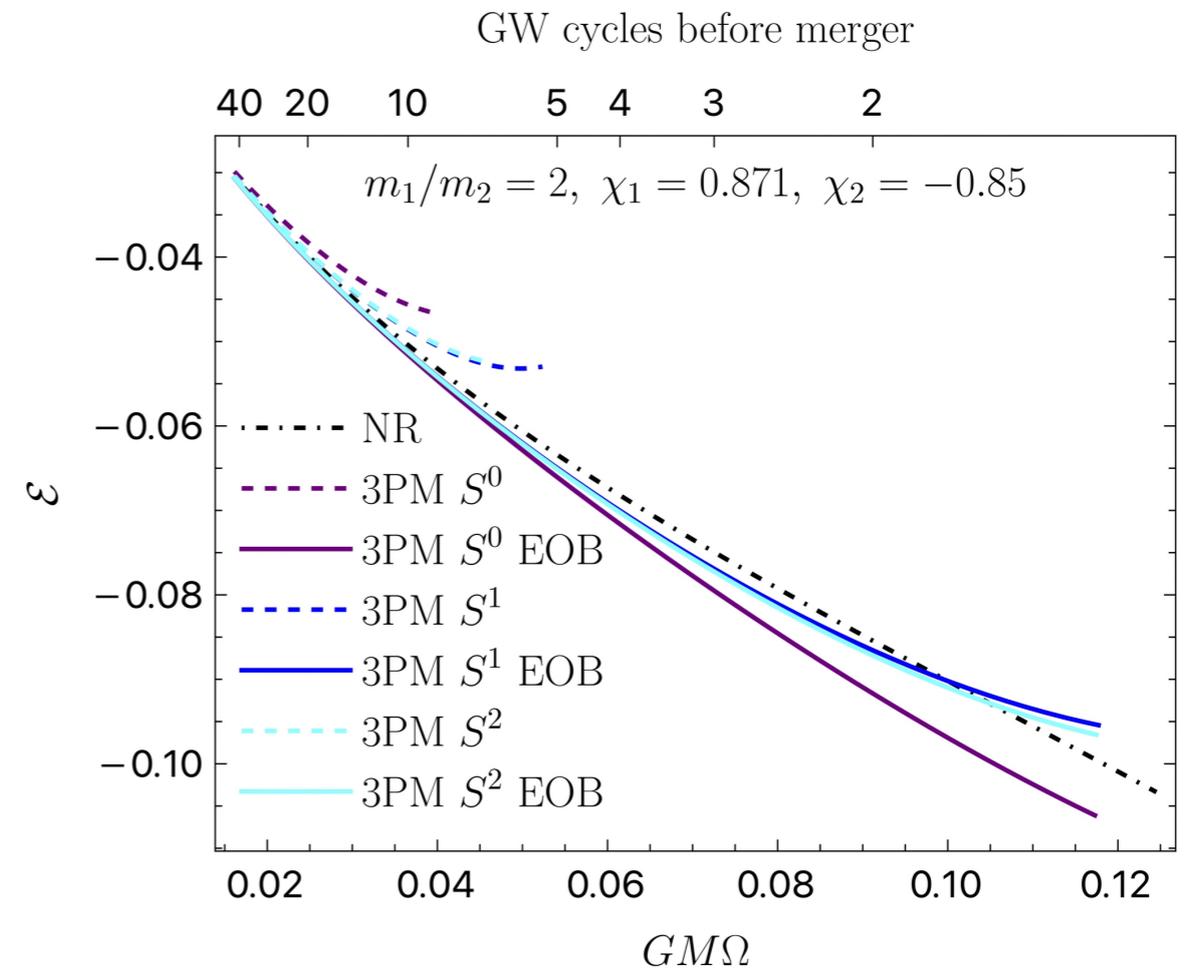
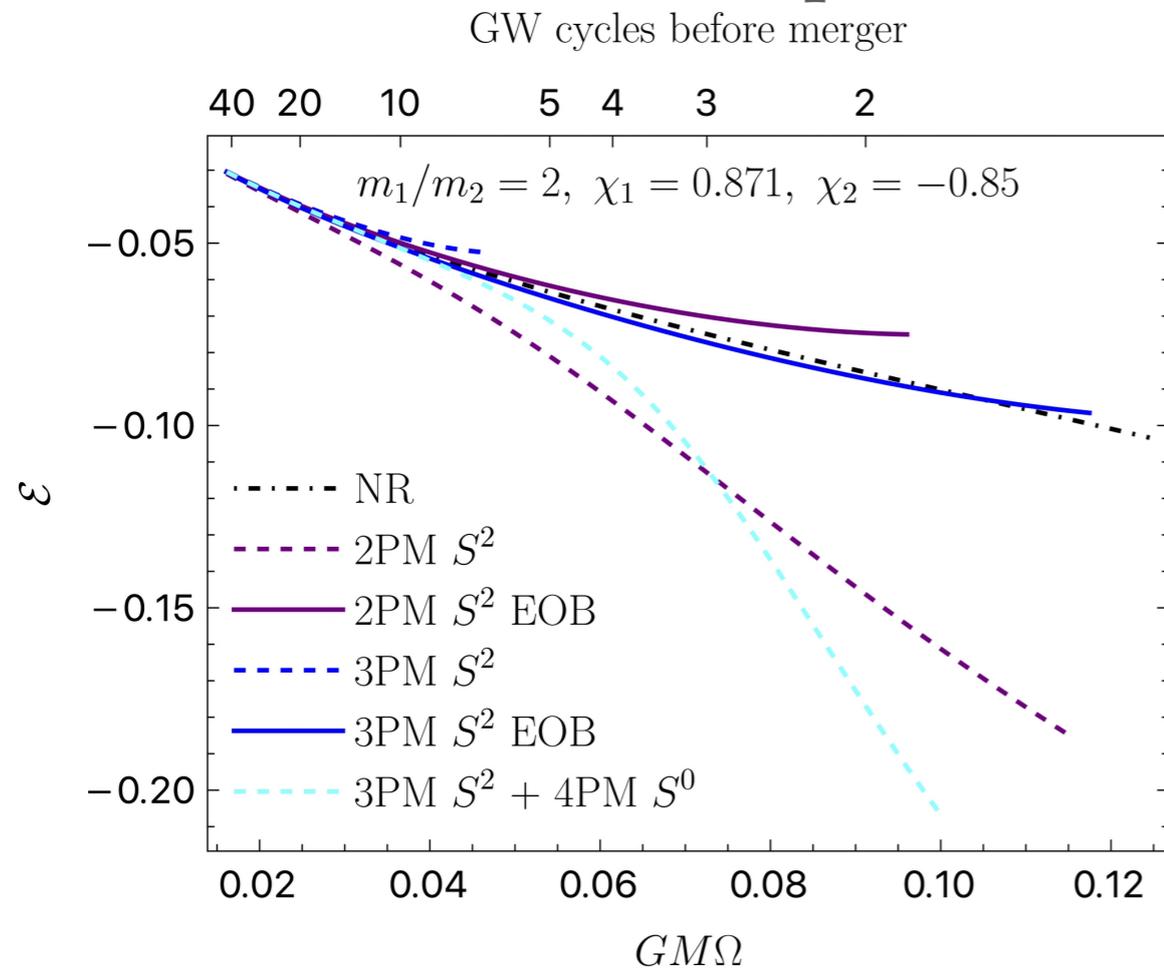
$$H_{\text{EOB}} = M \sqrt{1 + 2\nu \left( \frac{H_{\text{eff}}}{\mu} - 1 \right)} \quad \mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}, \quad \nu = \frac{\mu}{M}, \quad M = m_1 + m_2$$

- ▶ Use a **deformed Kerr Hamiltonian** (aligned spins, same setup as SEOBNRv5), match by comparison with the scattering angle

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \frac{J(g_{a_+} a_+ + g_{a_-} \delta a_-)}{r^3 + a_+^2 (r + 2)} + \sqrt{A \left( 1 + B p^2 + C \frac{J^2 a_+^2}{r^2} + Q \right)}$$

# EOB BINDING ENERGIES

- Binding energy plots show a **big improvement** over non-resummed counterparts!



- Work still to be done: include 4PM in the EOB model, and higher-PN information.
- My ultimate goal is to complement PN waveform models