

One-loop scattering waveforms from a Heavy-mass Effective Field Theory

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Menu

- Classical limit for observables in General Relativity
- Heavy-mass Effective Field Theory (HEFT) for classical General Relativity (Brandhuber, Chen, GT, Wen)
 - ▶ Diagrammatic extraction of the classical limit
- One-loop gravitational bremsstrahlung
(Brandhuber, Brown, Chen, De Angelis, Gowdy, GT)
 - ▶ Unbound binaries/eccentric orbits
 - ▶ KMOC & HEFT
 - ▶ Newman-Penrose scalar Ψ_4
 - ▶ Scattering waveforms in the frequency/time domain

- Based (mostly) on 2303.06111
with Andi, Graham, Gang, Stefano & Joshua
- Related works:
 - ▶ Herdershee, Roiban & Teng 2303.06112
 - ▶ Elkidir, O'Connell, Sergola & Vazquez-Holm 2303.06211
 - ▶ Georgoudis, Heissenberg & Vazquez-Holm 2303.07006

Extracting the classical limit

- A key question is how to extract efficiently the classical contribution from a loop computation
 - ▶ loop diagrams contain classical contributions
 - ▶ \hbar expansion is not the same as the loop expansion (Holstein & Donoghue)
- What does “efficient” mean?
 - ▶ Expand as little as possible and as soon as possible...
 - ▶ ...in particular before performing loop integrations
 - ▶ Ideally separate out different orders in \hbar at the diagrammatic level



- Classical physics from large-charge limit

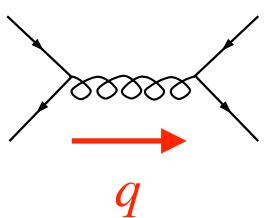
- ▶ Large masses and large angular momenta (in \hbar units) limit
- ▶ Equivalent to scaling the momenta of external / internal massless particles and momentum transfers by \hbar (Kosower, Maybee, O'Connell)

$$(k, \ell, q) \rightarrow \hbar (k, \ell, q)$$

- ▶ In addition also scale $\kappa \rightarrow \kappa/\sqrt{\hbar}$

- Example: two-to-two scattering of heavy scalars

- ▶ Amplitude (discarding local terms) $A_4 \sim \kappa^2/q^2 \rightarrow \hbar^{-3} \kappa^2/q^2$
- ▶ Newton's potential: $V \sim \frac{1}{E_1 E_2} \int d^3q A_4 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\hbar^{3-3}) = \mathcal{O}(\hbar^0)$



Classical limit & the HEFT

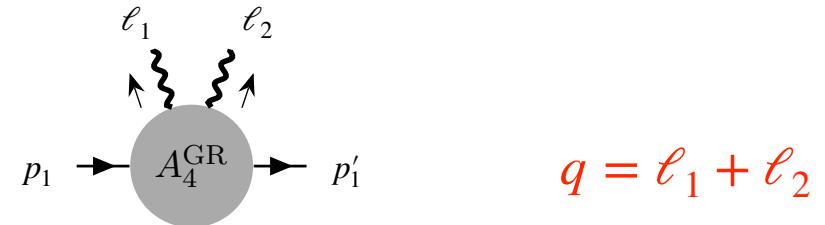
- Small \hbar -expansion equivalent to large-mass expansion
 - ▶ Recall that the Klein-Gordon equation is $\left[\square + \left(\frac{mc}{\hbar} \right)^2 \right] \phi = 0$
- Heavy-mass Effective Field Theory (Brandhuber, Chen, GT, Wen)
 - ▶ Black holes exchange momenta that are much smaller than their masses
 - ▶ similar to Heavy-Quark Effective Theory (Georgi)
 - ▶ Earlier work by Aoude, Damgaard, Haddad, Helset
- How can this become (more) powerful?
 - ▶ Use the amplitude arsenal for the calculation of HEFT amplitudes!
 - ▶ Double copy, recursion relations, unitarity, plus diagrammatic separation of different orders in the mass expansion...

Our strategy

- **Generate gravitational HEFT amplitudes efficiently**
 - ▶ BCJ numerators of HEFT amplitudes in YM with two scalars + gluons from a kinematic **quasi-shuffle Hopf algebra** (Brandhuber, Chen, GT, Johansson, Wen)
 - ▶ # terms in a BCJ numerator is Fubini_{n-1} for n gluons
 - ▶ Gravitational HEFT amplitudes via the double copy
- **D -dim'l HEFT recursions with 4 scalars + gravitons**
(Brandhuber, Brown, Chen, De Angelis, Gowdy, GT)
 - ▶ Shifts chosen to leave linearised massive propagators unmodified, inputs: D -dim HEFT amplitudes with 2 scalars & factorisation on massless propagators
- **\hbar counting in HEFT manifest at the diagrammatic level**
 - ▶ Pick only classically-relevant terms in the HEFT expansion of amplitudes, hyper-classical & quantum contributions dropped from the get go
- **Unitarity to compute non-analytic terms in amplitudes**



The idea of the HEFT



- Hard and soft particles

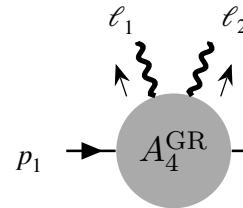
- ▶ Incoming heavy particle: $p^\mu = mv^\mu$
- ▶ After the interaction with a graviton: $p'_1 = p_1 + q$
- ▶ In QCD, the momentum transfer q is of order $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m$
- ▶ For classical gravitational physics: $\ell_{1,2} = \hbar \hat{k}_{1,2}$, with $\hat{k}_{1,2}$ fixed as $\hbar \rightarrow 0$
- ▶ $p'_1 = p_1 + \ell_1 + \ell_2 = mv + \hbar(\hat{k}_1 + \hat{k}_2)$

- To see how HEFT amplitudes arise, perform a heavy-mass expansion on the amplitudes

- ▶ For explanation only, in practice we derive them using recursive techniques and the double copy without reference to exact amplitudes

Example: Compton amplitude

- Start from exact amplitude



$$= i 4\kappa^2 \frac{(p_1 \cdot F_1 \cdot F_2 \cdot p_1)^2}{D_{12} D_{21} D}$$

- $D_{12} = -2(p_1 \cdot \ell_1) + i\epsilon, \quad D_{21} = -2(p_1 \cdot \ell_2) + i\epsilon, \quad D = q^2 + i\epsilon, \quad F = \text{field strength}$

- Expand massive propagators

- Introduce barred variables: $p_1 = \bar{p} + \frac{q}{2}, \quad p'_1 = \bar{p} - \frac{q}{2}$ with $\bar{p} \cdot q = 0$

Expand for small q :

$$\frac{1}{D_{12}} = \frac{1}{-2(\bar{p} \cdot \ell_1) + i\epsilon} + \frac{q^2}{2(-2\bar{p} \cdot \ell_1 + i\epsilon)^2} + \dots, \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \ell_1 \quad \ell_2$$

$$\frac{1}{D_{21}} = \frac{1}{2(\bar{p} \cdot \ell_1) + i\epsilon} + \frac{q^2}{2(2\bar{p} \cdot \ell_1 + i\epsilon)^2} + \dots \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad \ell_1 \quad \ell_2$$

- Result:

$$\frac{1}{D_{12} D_{21} D} = -\frac{1}{(q^2)^2} \left(\frac{1}{D_{12}} + \frac{1}{D_{21}} \right) = \frac{1}{(q^2)^2} \left[i\pi \delta(\bar{p} \cdot \ell_1) - \frac{q^2}{(2\bar{p} \cdot \ell_1)^2} \right] + \dots$$

- Unbarred variables spoil this by adding δ' terms from $p \cdot q = q^2/2 = \mathcal{O}(\hbar^2) \neq 0$
- Set $\bar{p} = \bar{m}v, \quad \bar{m} = \left(m^2 - \frac{q^2}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and count mass powers (m and \bar{m} coincide at large m)

HEFT amplitude

$$A_4^{\text{GR}} \rightarrow -i\kappa^2 \left[-(i\pi) \bar{m}^3 \delta(v \cdot \ell_1) (v \cdot \varepsilon_1)^2 (v \cdot \varepsilon_2)^2 + \frac{\bar{m}^2}{\ell_{12}^2} \left(\frac{v \cdot F_1 \cdot F_2 \cdot v}{v \cdot \ell_2} \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$



► three-point:

$$A_3^{\text{GR}} = \frac{\ell_1}{\text{---}} = -i\kappa \bar{m}^2 (\varepsilon_1 \cdot v)^2$$

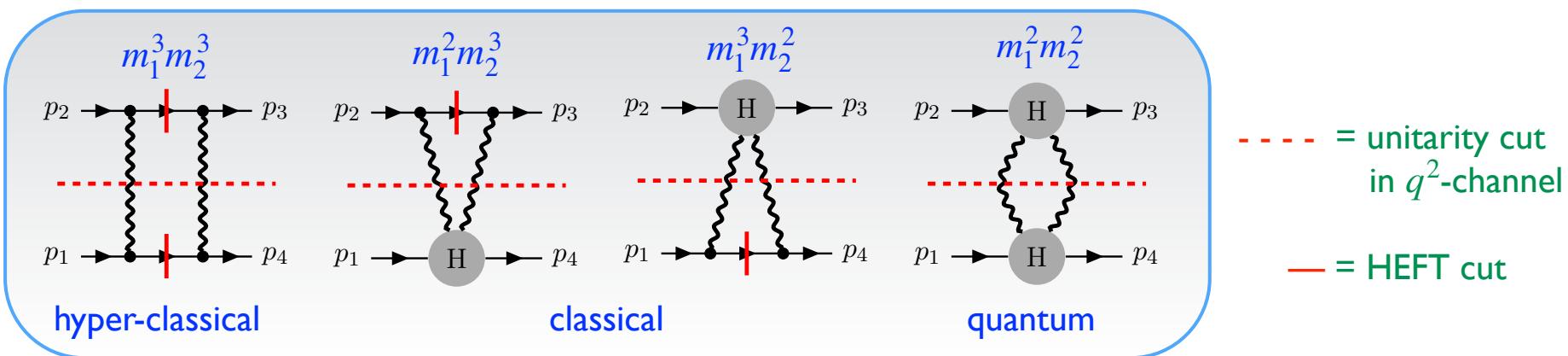
- = cut massive propagator from $i\varepsilon$, important also at tree level !
- dots = higher-order terms in the masses

- HEFT neatly separates different orders in masses and \hbar !
 - First term: hyper-classical, scales as $\hbar^{-1-1} = \hbar^{-2}$ and $\mathcal{O}(\bar{m}^3)$
 - Second term: HEFT amplitude, classical, scales as $\hbar^{-1-2+2} = \hbar^{-1}$ and $\mathcal{O}(\bar{m}^2)$
 - Generalises to higher points, HEFT amplitude is the term without delta functions

Example: one-loop scattering angle

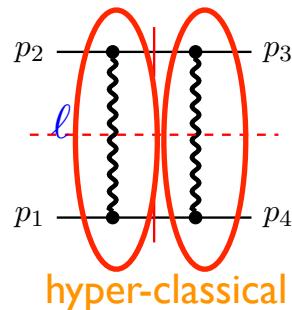
(Brandhuber, Chen, GT, Wen)

- Two-to-two scattering of spinless heavy objects:



- Four diagrams, different dependence on the masses and hence \hbar
 - What happens to the hyper-classical term?
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- Go to impact parameter space:
 - relevant to compute the scattering angle

- In impact parameter space, convolution \Rightarrow product:

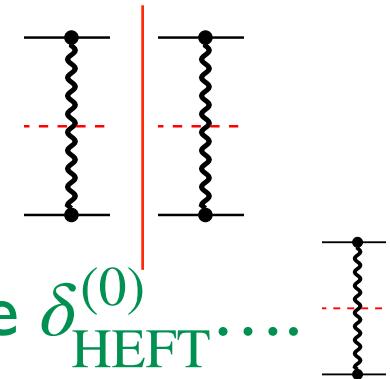


$b = \text{impact parameter}$

$$\sim \int \frac{d^D \ell}{(2\pi)^{D-2}} \delta(2\bar{p}_1 \cdot \ell) \delta(2\bar{p}_2 \cdot \ell) e^{iq \cdot b} \mathcal{M}_L(\ell) \mathcal{M}_R(q - \ell) \xrightarrow{\text{IPS}} \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_L(b) \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_R(b)$$

hyper-classical

- ▶ Hyper-classical diagrams are two-massive-particle reducible



- Reconstruct exponentiation of tree-level phase $\delta_{\text{HEFT}}^{(0)} \dots$

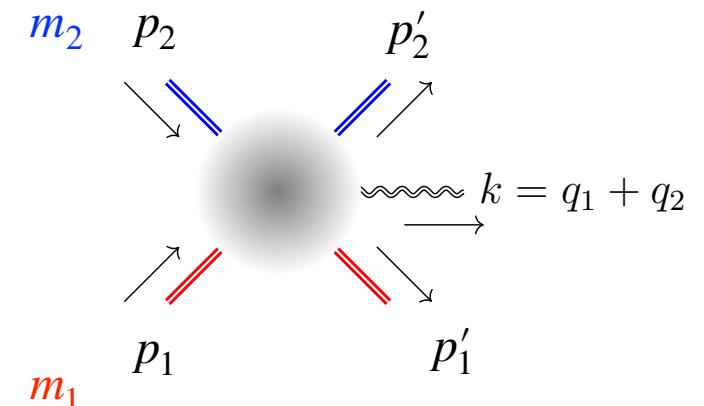
- ▶ $e^{i(\delta_{\text{HEFT}}^{(0)} + \delta_{\text{HEFT}}^{(1)} + \dots)} = 1 + i \delta_{\text{HEFT}}^{(0)} + \left(\delta_{\text{HEFT}}^{(1)} - \frac{1}{2} (\delta_{\text{HEFT}}^{(0)})^2 \right) + \dots$
- ▶ manifest in HEFT, no need to check it. Simply drop hyper-classical diagrams!

- HEFT allows to compute the exponent diagrammatically
 - ▶ Compute only two-massive-particle irreducible diagrams
 - ▶ One- and two-loop scattering angle checked (Brandhuber, Chen, GT, Wen '21)

Gravitational Bremsstrahlung

(Brandhuber, Brown, Chen, De Angelis, Gowdy, GT)

- Scattering of two spinless black holes
 - ▶ Newman-Penrose scalar ψ_4
 - ▶ Spectral and far-field time-domain gravitational waveforms
 - ▶ Main computation is the five-point HEFT amplitude at one loop
- Combine the HEFT expansion with the KMOC approach
- Kinematics:
 - ▶ $y := v_1 \cdot v_2$ relative velocity
 - ▶ $q_{1,2}^2 \leq 0$ momentum transfers
 - ▶ $w_{1,2} := v_{1,2} \cdot k \geq 0$



From amplitudes to classical observables

- KMOC approach allows to relate scattering data to observables in classical gravity (Kosower, Maybee, O'Connell)

▶ For some operator O , compute $\langle O^{\text{out}} \rangle_\psi := {}_{\text{out}}\langle \psi | O | \psi \rangle_{\text{out}}$

▶ We will be interested in $R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}(x)$ or $h_{\mu\nu}(x)$

▶ $|\psi\rangle_{\text{out}} = S |\psi\rangle_{\text{in}}$ where $S = \mathbb{I} + i T$

▶ $\langle O^{\text{out}} \rangle_\psi := {}_{\text{in}}\langle \psi | (\mathbb{I} - i T^\dagger) O (\mathbb{I} + i T) | \psi \rangle_{\text{in}}$

▶ BH Initial state:

$$|\psi\rangle_{\text{in}} := \int d\Phi(p_1) d\Phi(p_2) e^{i(p_1 \cdot b_1 + p_2 \cdot b_2)} \phi(p_1) \phi(p_2) |p_1 p_2\rangle_{\text{in}}$$

$$d\Phi(p_i) := \frac{d^D p_i}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} \delta^{(+)}(p_i^2 - m_i^2), \quad |p\rangle := a^\dagger(\vec{p})|0\rangle$$

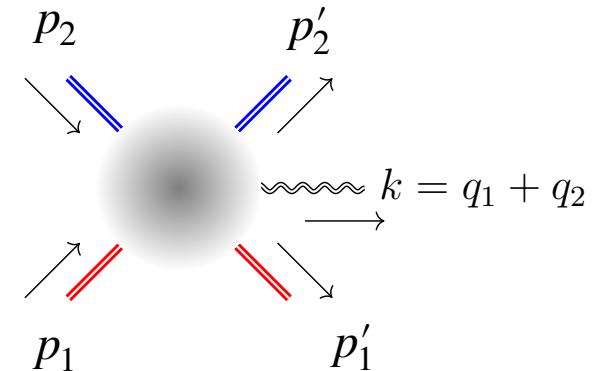
▶ b_1, b_2 = impact parameters

▶ Wavepackets sharply localised: $\lambda_{1,2}^{\text{Compton}} \ll \ell_{\phi_{1,2}} \ll \sqrt{-b^2}$

- For the linearised Riemann curvature

$$\langle R_{\mu\nu\rho\lambda}^{\text{out}}(x) \rangle_\psi = \kappa \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \int \prod_{j=1}^2 d\Phi(p_j) |\phi(p_1)|^2 |\phi(p_2)|^2 \sum_h \int d\Phi(k) e^{-ik \cdot x} k_{[\mu} \varepsilon_{\nu]}^{(h)*}(\vec{k}) k_{[\rho} \varepsilon_{\lambda]}^{(h)*}(\vec{k}) \right. \\ \left. \int \prod_{j=1}^2 \frac{d^D q_j}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} \delta(2\bar{p}_1 \cdot q_1) \delta(2\bar{p}_2 \cdot q_2) e^{i(q_1 \cdot b_1 + q_2 \cdot b_2)} \left[\langle p'_1 p'_2 k^h | i T | p_1 p_2 \rangle + \langle p'_1 p'_2 | T^\dagger a_h(\vec{k}) T | p_1 p_2 \rangle \right] \right\}$$

- ▶ From now on omit the **spectator red part**
- ▶ A certain **subtracted five-point amplitude** has appeared...
- ▶ ...transformed to impact parameter space
 $q_{1,2} = \text{momentum transfers}, \quad q_1 + q_2 = k$



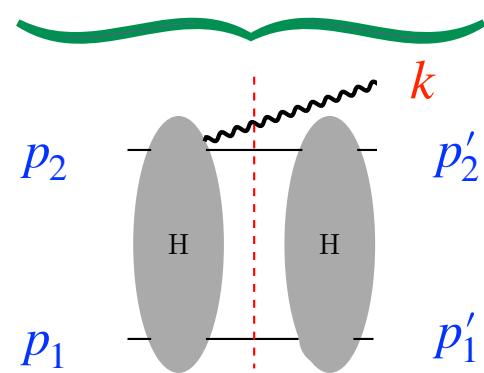
From KMOC to HEFT

- Subtracted amplitude:

$$\langle p'_1 p'_2 k^h | i T | p_1 p_2 \rangle + \langle p'_1 p'_2 | T^\dagger a_h(\vec{k}) T | p_1 p_2 \rangle = \langle p'_1 p'_2 k^h | i T | p_1 p_2 \rangle + \sum_n \langle p'_1 p'_2 | T^\dagger | n \rangle \langle n, k^h | T | p_1 p_2 \rangle$$

- 1st term is the complete (one-loop) amplitude
 - ▶ contains everything from hyper-classical to quantum

- 2nd term on RHS at one loop:
 $\sum_{r_1, r_2} \langle p'_1 p'_2 | T^\dagger | r_1, r_2 \rangle^{(0)} \langle r_1, r_2, k^h | T | p_1 p_2 \rangle^{(0)}$
 - ▶ r_1, r_2 scalars
 - ▶ 2-massive particle reducible
 - ▶ $\mathcal{O}(\bar{m}_1^3 \bar{m}_2^3)$ and thus hyper-classical
 - ▶ Factorises in IPS



- Subtracted amplitude is the one-loop HEFT amplitude!

$$\langle p'_1 p'_2 k^h | i T | p_1 p_2 \rangle^{(1)} + \sum_{r_1, r_2} \langle p'_1 p'_2 | T^\dagger | r_1, r_2 \rangle^{(0)} \langle r_1, r_2, k^h | T | p_1 p_2 \rangle^{(0)} = (2\pi)^D \delta^{(D)}(q_1 + q_2 - k) \mathcal{M}_{5, \text{HEFT}}^{(1)}$$

- Result:** $\langle R_{\mu\nu\rho\lambda}^{\text{out}}(x) \rangle_\psi = \kappa \operatorname{Re} \left[i \sum_h \int d\Phi(k) e^{-ik \cdot x} k_{[\mu} \varepsilon_{\nu]}^{(h)*}(\vec{k}) k_{[\rho} \varepsilon_{\lambda]}^{(h)*}(\vec{k}) \widetilde{W} \right]$

- \widetilde{W} = spectral waveform

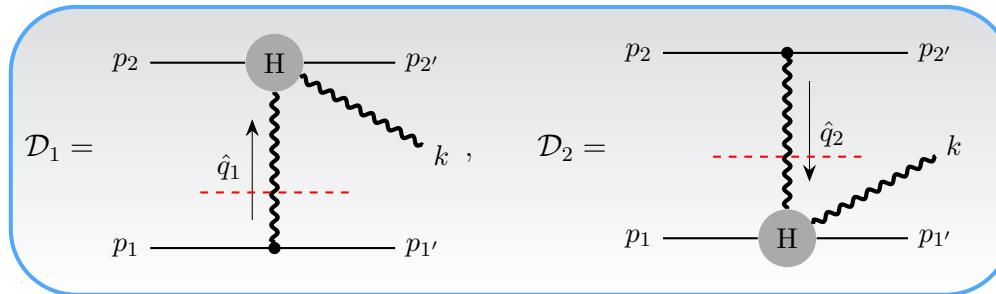
$$\widetilde{W}(\vec{b}, k^h) := -i \int d\mu^{(D)} e^{i(q_1 \cdot b_1 + q_2 \cdot b_2)} \mathcal{M}_{5, \text{HEFT}}(q_1, q_2; h)$$

$$q_1 + q_2 = k$$

- Waveform from five-point HEFT amplitude in Impact Parameter Space (IPS)
- IPS measure $d\mu^{(D)} := \frac{d^D q_1}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} \frac{d^D q_2}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} (2\pi)^D \delta^{(D)}(q_1 + q_2 - k) \delta(2p_1 \cdot q_1) \delta(2p_2 \cdot q_2)$
- Under a shift $b_{1,2} \rightarrow b_{1,2} + a$, we have $\widetilde{W} \rightarrow e^{ik \cdot a} \widetilde{W}$ hence we can set $b_2 \rightarrow 0$

Five-point HEFT amplitude

- Tree-level from recursion: (Brandhuber, Brown, Chen, De Angelis, Gowdy, GT)



$$\hat{q}_1 = q_1 + zr$$

$$\hat{q}_2 = q_2 - zr$$

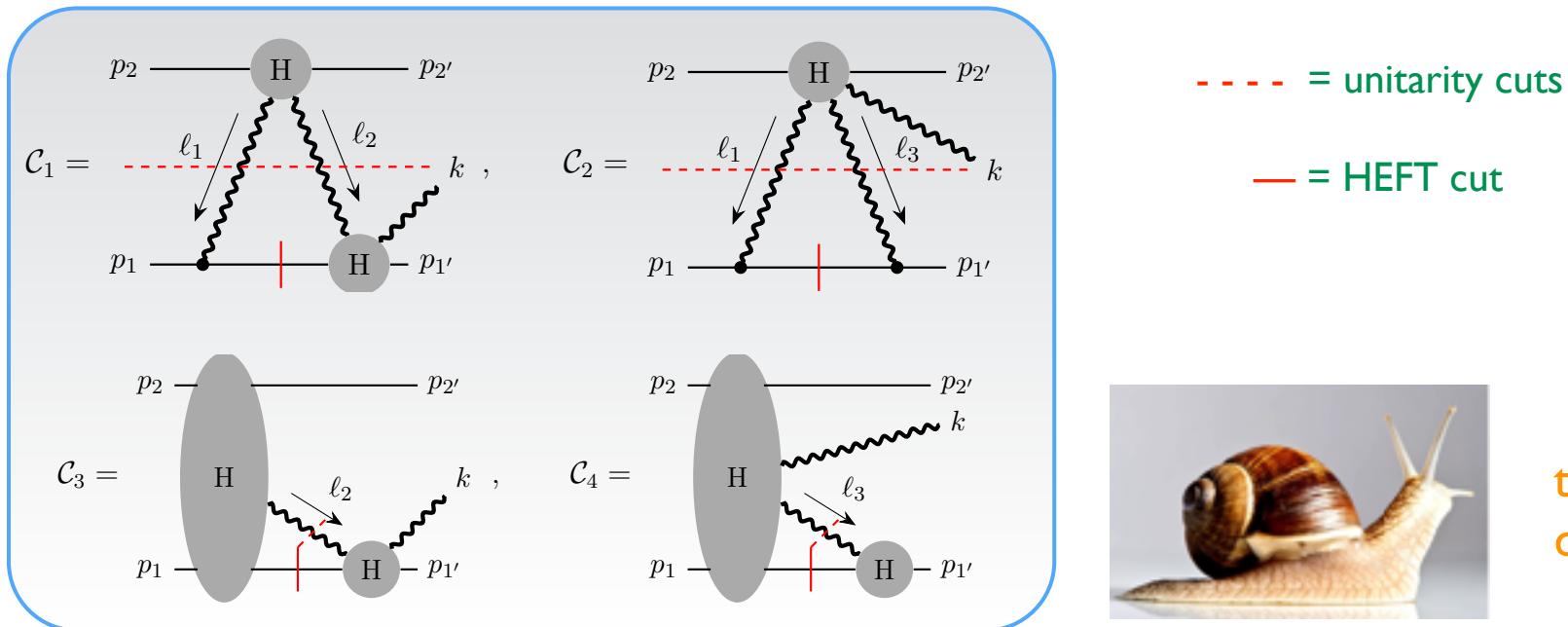
- Conditions on shifts:
 - $r^2 = 0$
 - $r \cdot k = r \cdot \varepsilon_k = r \cdot \bar{v}_{1,2} = 0$
- 1. for linear poles in z , 2. for shifts to appear only in polarisation vectors
- Need HEFT amplitudes with 2 scalars and many gravitons in arbitrary dimension (known from double copy and kinematic algebra construction)

- Result:
$$\mathcal{M}(k, \bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2) = i \frac{N_1}{q_1^2} + i \frac{N_2}{q_2^2}$$

$$N_{1,2} = \pm \frac{\kappa^3 \bar{m}_1^2 \bar{m}_2^2}{(2k \cdot q)(\bar{v}_{2,1} \cdot k)^2} \left\{ \left[\bar{y}(\bar{v}_{2,1} \cdot F_k \cdot q) + (\bar{v}_{2,1} \cdot k)(\bar{v}_1 \cdot F_k \cdot \bar{v}_2) \right]^2 - \frac{1}{D-2} (\bar{v}_{2,1} \cdot F_k \cdot q)^2 \right\}$$
- agrees with Luna, Nicholson, O'Connell & White

One-loop five-point HEFT amplitude

- One-loop cut diagrams, to be merged:



- ▶ Plus diagrams where graviton is emitted from an incoming leg, plus 1-2 flip
- ▶ Diagrams shown are of $\mathcal{O}(m_1^3 m_2^2)$ (cfr. hyper-classical, $\mathcal{O}(m_1^3 m_2^3)$)
- ▶ Linearised massive propagators with PV prescription (from HEFT expansion)
- ▶ Infrared-divergent results, compare then with Weinberg's 1965 formula

- Weinberg's formula (schematically):

$$S_{\beta\alpha} \rightarrow (\text{Exp}) \cdot S_{\beta\alpha}^{(0)}$$

- ▶ Exponent contains a real and imaginary part
- ▶ Phase usually discarded for cross sections, but relevant for us!

- HEFT-expand Weinberg's formula:

$$M_5^{(1)} \Big|_{\text{IR}} \sim e^{-i \frac{G}{\epsilon} \left(\bar{m}_1 \bar{m}_2 \frac{2\bar{y}^2 - 1}{\sqrt{\bar{y}^2 - 1}} + \bar{m}_1 \bar{w}_1 + \bar{m}_2 \bar{w}_2 \right)} M_5^{(0)}$$

Hyperclassical Classical

- ▶ Real part of exponent vanishes at this order
- ▶ Our result perfectly agrees with HEFT-expanded Weinberg's formula

- Infrared divergences are a useful sanity check...
...but what do we do with them?
 - ▶ KMOC contains amplitudes, not $|A|^2$
- IR divergences removed by re-defining observer's time:
 - ▶ $t \rightarrow t - \frac{G(p_1 + p_2) \cdot n}{\epsilon}$ with $k^\mu = \omega n^\mu$
 - ▶ Recall $\langle R_{\mu\nu\rho\lambda}^{\text{out}}(x) \rangle_\psi = \kappa \operatorname{Re} \left[i \sum_h \int d\Phi(k) e^{-ik \cdot \textcolor{red}{x}} k_{[\mu} \varepsilon_{\nu]}^{(h)*}(\vec{k}) k_{[\rho} \varepsilon_{\lambda]}^{(h)*}(\vec{k}) \widetilde{W} \right]$
 - ▶ Shift is irrelevant since we measure time intervals (Porto, Ross & Rothstein 2012)
- Henceforth use $W^{(1)}(b, k^h) := -i \int d\mu^{(4)} e^{iq_1 \cdot b} \mathcal{M}_{5, \text{HEFT,fin}}^{(1)}(q_1, q_2; h)$
 - ▶ Set $D=4$, and take finite part of the amplitude

Far-field limit of waveforms

- Asymptotic waveforms at large observer distance
 - ▶ At large distances $r = |\vec{x}| \rightarrow \infty$ and $|x_0| \rightarrow \infty$, with fixed retarded time $u := t - r$, integration over angular directions of emitted graviton localises

$$\langle R_{\mu\nu\rho\lambda}^{\text{out}}(x) \rangle_\psi \stackrel{r \rightarrow \infty}{=} \frac{\kappa}{8\pi r} \sum_h \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \left[k_{[\mu} \varepsilon_{\nu]}^{(h)*}(\vec{k}) k_{[\rho} \varepsilon_{\lambda]}^{(h)*}(\vec{k}) W(b, k^h) e^{-i\omega u} + k_{[\mu} \varepsilon_{\nu]}^{(h)}(\vec{k}) k_{[\rho} \varepsilon_{\lambda]}^{(h)}(\vec{k}) W^*(b, k^h) e^{i\omega u} \right]_{k=\omega(1, \hat{x})}$$

- ▶ angular direction of the graviton localises along observer's direction \hat{x}
- Newman-Penrose null tetrad formalism (Newman & Penrose 1969)
 - ▶ project on a basis of null complex vectors $L_\mu = n_\mu$, $N_\mu = \zeta_\mu$, $M_\mu = \varepsilon_\mu^{(+)}$, $M_\mu^* = \varepsilon_\mu^{(-)}$
 - ▶ $k = \omega n$, ζ = reference vector, with $\zeta \cdot \varepsilon^{(\pm)} = 0$, $\zeta \cdot n = 1$
 - ▶ $(L_\mu, N_\mu, M_\mu, M_\mu^*)$ are frequency-independent

- **Newman-Penrose scalar** $\Psi_4(x) = N^\mu M^\nu{}^* N^\rho M^\sigma{}^* \langle W_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^{\text{out}}(x) \rangle$
 - ▶ Of the NP scalars, $\Psi_4(x)$ has the **slowest decay at large $|\vec{x}|$** ,
$$\Psi_4(x) \xrightarrow{|\vec{x}| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Psi_4^0(x)}{|\vec{x}|}$$
- **NP scalar in terms of waveforms in the far-field domain:**

$$\Psi_4^0(x) = \frac{\kappa}{8\pi} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \omega^2 \left[W(b; k^-) e^{-i\omega u} + [W(b; k^+)]^* e^{i\omega u} \right]_{k=\omega(1, \hat{x})}$$

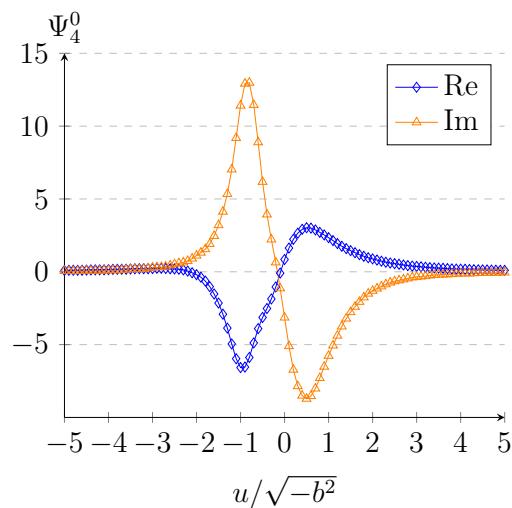
- ▶ Far from the sources, it is related to the second (retarded-)time derivative of the two polarisation of the gravitational wave
$$\Psi_4(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{\mu\nu}^{(--)} \ddot{h}^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{8\pi |\vec{x}|} (\ddot{h}_+^\infty - i \ddot{h}_\times^\infty)$$
- ▶ $\varepsilon_{++,--} \sim \varepsilon_+ \pm i \varepsilon_\times$ (plus and cross polarisations)

Tree-level waveforms

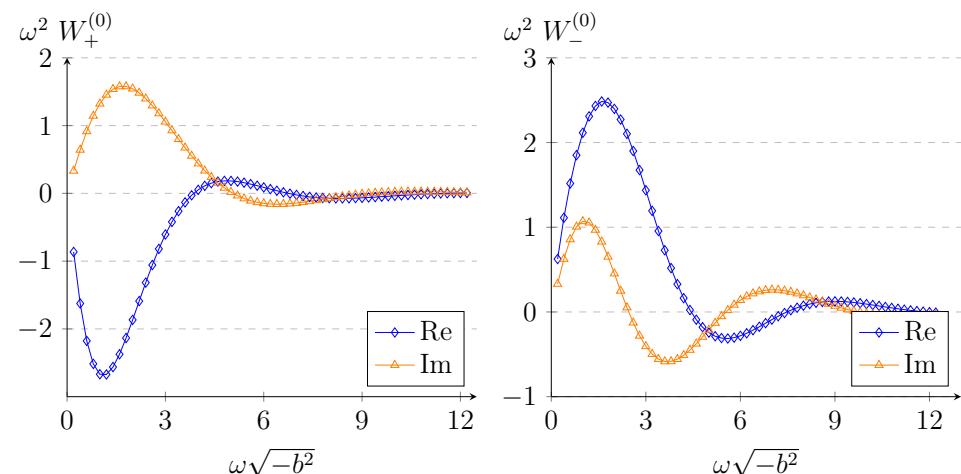
- Earlier computations:

- ▶ Time domain, asymptotic metric computed by Kovacs and Thorne (1978)
- ▶ Analytic computation with worldline formalism by Jakobsen, Mogull, Plefka and Steinhoff '21 (see also Mousiakakos, Riva & Vernizzi for a semi-analytic result)

- Time-domain:



- Frequency domain:



One-loop waveforms

- One-loop frequency-domain (or spectral) waveform:

$$\widehat{W}^{(1)}(b, k^h) := -i \int d\mu^{(4)} e^{iq_1 \cdot b} \left[\mathcal{M}_{5,\text{HEFT,fin}}^{(1)} - iG \left(m_1 w_1 \log \frac{w_1^2}{\mu_{\text{IR}}^2} + m_2 w_2 \log \frac{w_2^2}{\mu_{\text{IR}}^2} \right) \mathcal{M}_{\text{HEFT}}^{(0)} \right]$$

- ▶ $w_{1,2} = k \cdot v_{1,2}$ proportional to ω
- ▶ Exponentiation of the “tails” (Blanchet & Schaefer ’93; Porto, Ross, Rothstein 2012)

$$e^{i\theta_{\text{tail}}(\mu, \omega)} \mathcal{M}_{\text{HEFT}}^{(0)}$$

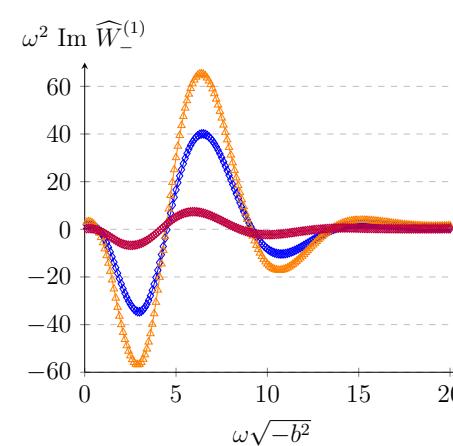
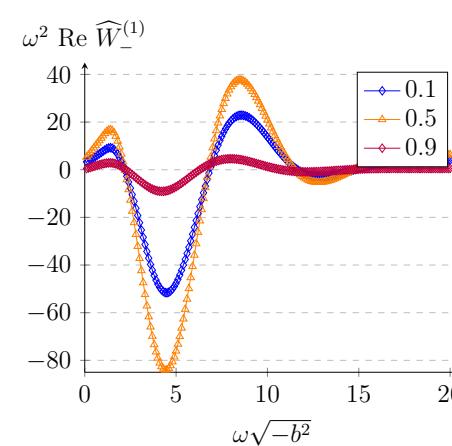
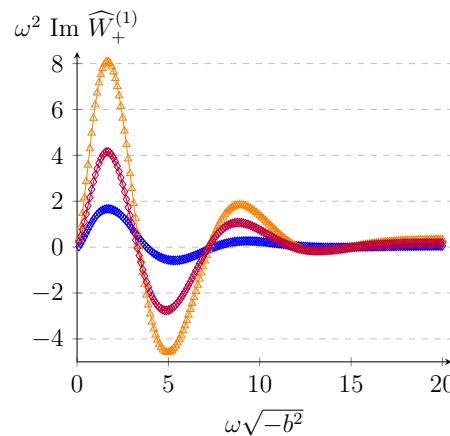
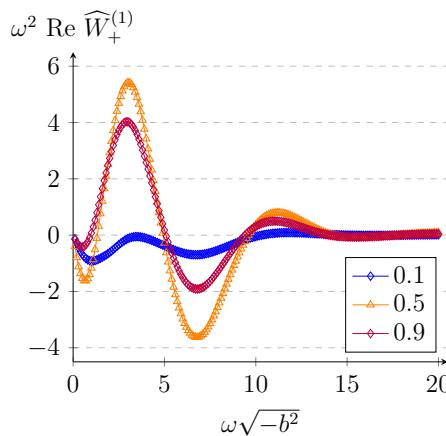
with $\theta_{\text{tail}}(\mu_{\text{IR}}, \omega) = G \left(m_1 w_1 \log \frac{w_1^2}{\mu_{\text{IR}}^2} + m_2 w_2 \log \frac{w_2^2}{\mu_{\text{IR}}^2} \right)$

- ▶ Natural from the QFT viewpoint
- ▶ IR pole always accompanied by a log

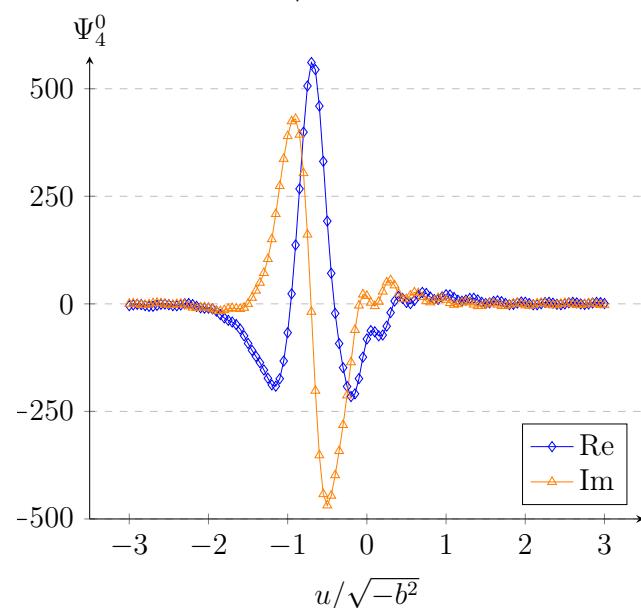
$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \log \left(-\frac{\omega^2}{\mu_{\text{IR}}^2} \right)$$

- Frequency domain:

- ▶ Introduce mass ratio $\chi := \frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$, and plot for various values of χ



- Time domain (for $m_1 = m_2$):



Conclusions & open problems

- Heavy-mass Effective Field Theory allows for an efficient extraction of the classical limit
 - ▶ No “artistic” element in combining diagrams, no cancellations to be found
 - ▶ Hyper-classical / quantum terms identified and dropped before integrations
 - ▶ HEFT amplitude even have their own double copy and can be computed by recursions or the algebra
 - ▶ Kinematic algebra of the HEFT and Yang-Mills theory
- One-loop scattering waveforms
 - ▶ KMOC approach leads naturally to the HEFT

- **(Some) questions**

- ▶ Analytic waveforms (important to clarify shape of time-domain waveform)
- ▶ Analytic continuation for bound orbits?
- ▶ Apply HEFT to higher PM orders calculations
- ▶ Spin, tidal effects
- ▶ Similarities with the worldline formalism(s)
- ▶

Thank you!