



High Post-Minkowskian Orders for Binary Systems

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Gravitational Wave Astronomy

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Outline

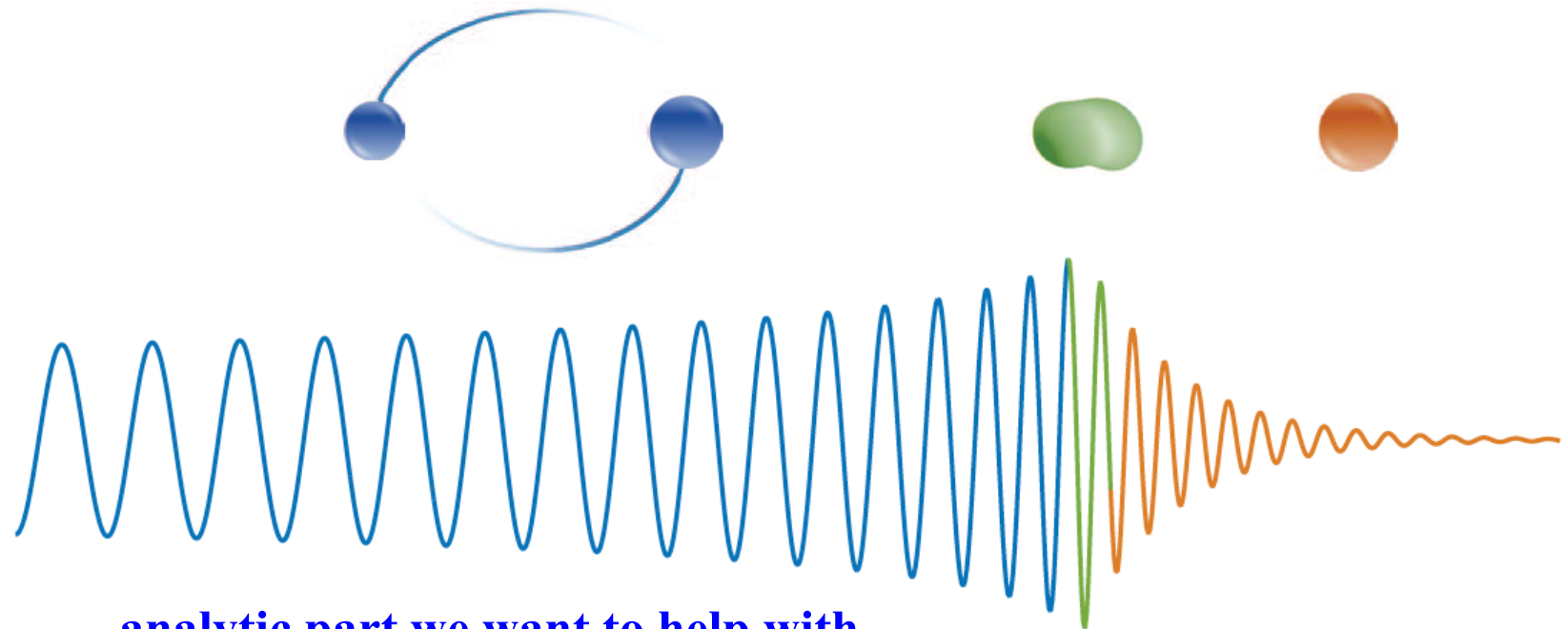
1. Can particle physics help with core issues for gravitational wave astronomy?
2. Nontriviality of gravity calculations. Particle theorists understand perturbative gravity!
3. Modern idea from particle theory:
 - Effective field theory (EFT).
 - Generalized unitarity.
 - Double copy and duality between color and kinematics.
4. Can we calculate something new and nontrivial of direct interest for LIGO/Virgo? **Yes! 3rd post-Minkowskian 2 body Hamiltonian.**
5. Prospects for future.

Goal: Improve on post-Newtonian Theory

Inspiral

Merger

Ringdown



analytic part we want to help with

PN + EOB or Pheno

Post – Newtonian
Theory

Numerical
Relativity

Perturbation
Theory

Small errors accumulate. Need for high precision.

From Antelis and Moreno, arXiv:1610.03567

Post Newtonian Approximation

For orbital mechanics:

Expand in G and v^2

$$v^2 \sim \frac{GM}{r} \ll 1$$

virial theorem



In center of mass frame:

$$m = m_A + m_B, \quad \nu = \mu/M,$$

$$\mu = m_A m_B / m, \quad P_R = P \cdot \hat{R}$$

$$\frac{H}{\mu} = \frac{P^2}{2} - \frac{Gm}{R} \quad \leftarrow \text{Newton}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{c^2} \left\{ -\frac{P^4}{8} + \frac{3\nu P^4}{8} + \frac{Gm}{R} \left(-\frac{P_R^2 \nu}{2} - \frac{3P^2}{2} - \frac{\nu P^2}{2} \right) + \frac{G^2 m^2}{2R^2} \right\}$$

+ ...

1PN: Einstein, Infeld, Hoffmann

Hamiltonian known to 4PN order.

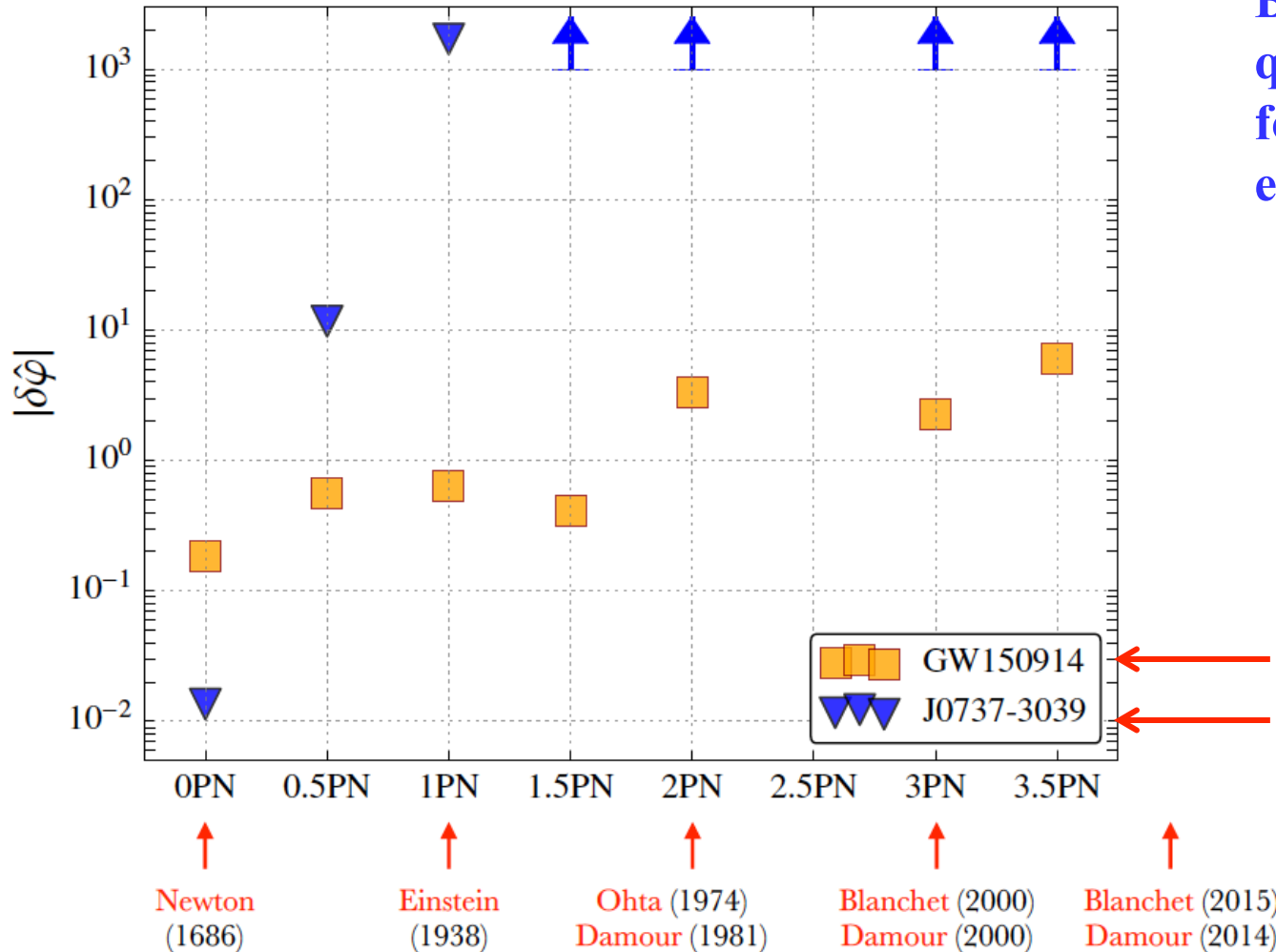
2PN: Ohta, Okamura, Kimura and Hiida.

3PN: Damour, Jaranowski and Schaefer; L. Blanchet and G. Faye.

4PN: Damour, Jaranowski and Schaefer (2014)

Importance of higher orders for LIGO

LIGO/Virgo Collaboration arXiv:1602.03841



Binary pulsar confirms quadrupole radiation formula and not much else.

LIGO
Binary pulsar

LIGO/Virgo sensitive to high PN orders.

PN versus PM expansion for conservative two-body dynamics

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From Buonanno
Amplitudes 2018

$E(v) = -\frac{\mu}{2} v^2 + \dots$

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(credit: Justin Vines)

$$1 \rightarrow Mc^2, \quad v^2 \rightarrow \frac{v^2}{c^2}, \quad \frac{1}{r} \rightarrow \frac{GM}{rc^2}.$$

current known
PN results

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PM results

overlap between
PN & PM results

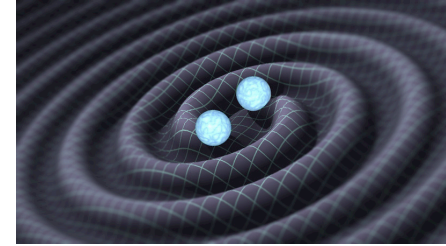
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- PM results (Westfahl 79, Westfahl & Goller 80, Portilla 79-80, Bel et al. 81, Ledvinka et al. 10, Damour 16-17, Guevara 17, Vines 17, Bini & Damour 17-18, Vines in prep)

Which problem to solve?

Some problems for (analytic) theorists:

1. Spin.
2. Finite size effects.
3. Radiation.



→ 4. High orders in perturbation theory. ←

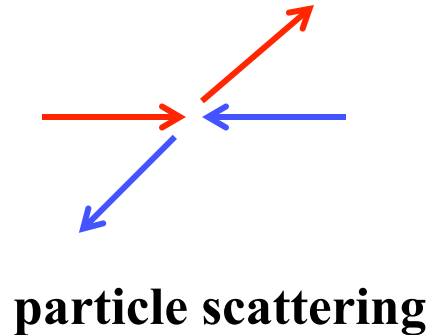
Which one to solve?

- Needs to be extremely difficult using standard methods.
- Needs to be of importance to LIGO.
- Needs to be in a form that LIGO can use.

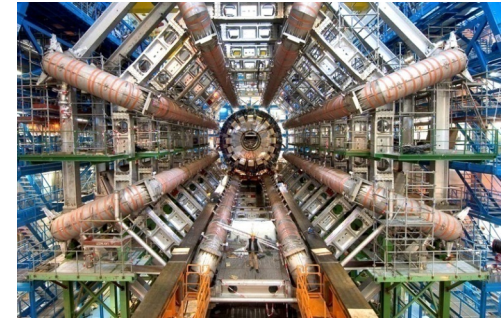
3rd post-Minkowskian order 2-body Hamiltonian

Quantum Field Theory and Scattering Amplitudes

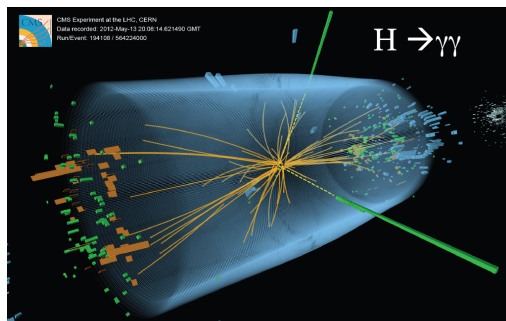
Scattering amplitudes give us quantum mechanical description of events at particle colliders.



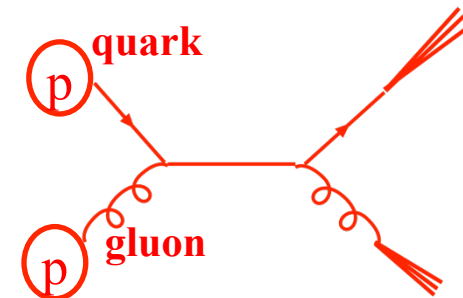
Large Hadron Collider



ATLAS Detector



Higgs boson event



QCD Feynman diagram

Does not seem to have much to do with gravitational waves

Our Approach

ZB, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng

Gravitational
Scattering
Amplitudes

Effective
Field Theory
Methods

Kawai, Lewellen, Tye
ZB, Dixon, Dunbar, Perelstein, Rozowsky
ZB, Carrasco, Johansson

Goldberger, Rothstein
Neill, Rothstein
Cheung, Rothstein, Solon

Post
Minkowskian
Potentials

Inefficient: Start with quantum theory and take $\hbar \rightarrow 0$

Efficient: Almost magical simplifications for gravity amplitudes.
EFT methods efficiently target pieces we want.

Will show efficiency wins

Scattering Amplitudes Revolution

Over the years we have developed tools for calculating scattering amplitudes that are “impossibly complicated”

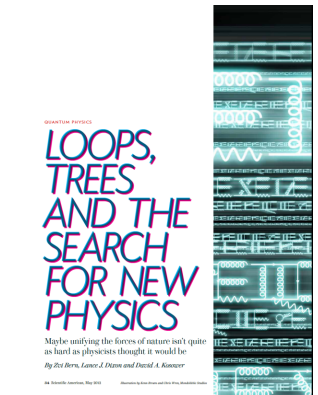
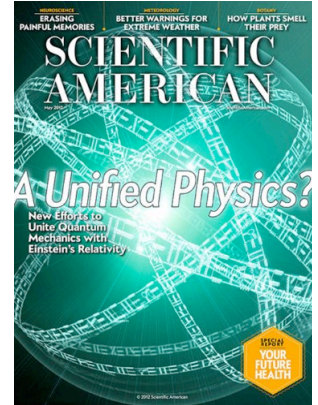
Z. Bern, L. Dixon, D. Kosower,
May 2012 *Scientific American*

Don't use Lagrangians or Feynman diagrams.

1. Generalized unitarity. Complicated amplitudes assembled from simpler ones. Loops from trees.
2. Double-copy relations. Gravity amplitudes built from much simpler gauge-theory ones.

Many more advances, involving also beautiful mathematics.

Parke and Taylor; ZB, Dixon, Dunbar, Kosower; ZB, Dixon, Dunbar, Kosower;
ZB, Dixon, Dunbar, Perelstein, Rozowsky; Witten; Britto, Cachazo, Feng, Witten;
ZB, Carrasco, Johansson; Bourjaily, Cachazo, Goncharov, Postnikov, Trnka + 1000s more.



Harness advances to extract GR corrections to Newtonian potential.

Gravity vs Gauge Theory


Consider the Einstein gravity Lagrangian

$$L_{\text{gravity}} = \frac{2}{\kappa^2} \sqrt{-g} R$$

$\kappa^2 = 32\pi G_{\text{Newton}}$

curvature $\rightarrow R$
 Flat-space metric $\rightarrow \eta_{\mu\nu}$
 graviton field $\rightarrow h_{\mu\nu}$
 metric $\rightarrow g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}$

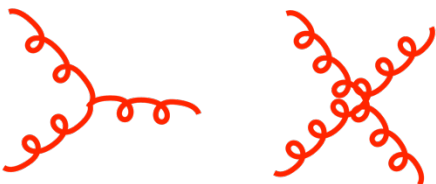
Infinite number of complicated interactions



+ ...

terrible mess

Compare to gauge-theory Lagrangian on which QCD is based

$$L_{\text{YM}} = \frac{1}{g^2} F^2$$


Only three and four point interactions

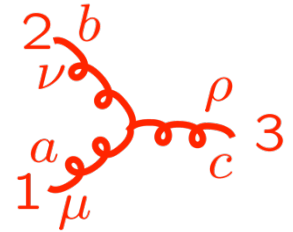
Gravity seems so much more complicated than gauge theory.

Theories do not look related!

Three Vertices

Standard Feynman diagram approach.

Three-gluon vertex:



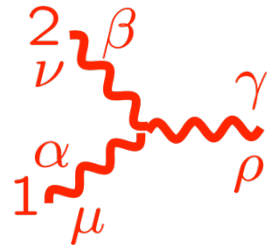
$$V_{3\mu\nu\sigma}^{abc} = -gf^{abc}(\eta_{\mu\nu}(k_1 - k_2)_\rho + \eta_{\nu\rho}(k_1 - k_2)_\mu + \eta_{\rho\mu}(k_1 - k_2)_\nu)$$

Three-graviton vertex:

$$k_i^2 = E_i^2 - \vec{k}_i^2 \neq 0$$

$$G_{3\mu\alpha,\nu\beta,\sigma\gamma}(k_1, k_2, k_3) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{sym} \left[-\frac{1}{2}P_3(k_1 \cdot k_2 \eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\nu\beta} \eta_{\sigma\gamma}) - \frac{1}{2}P_6(k_{1\nu} k_{1\beta} \eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\sigma\gamma}) + \frac{1}{2}P_3(k_1 \cdot k_2 \eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\alpha\beta} \eta_{\sigma\gamma}) \right. \\ & + P_6(k_1 \cdot k_2 \eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\nu\sigma} \eta_{\beta\gamma}) + 2P_3(k_{1\nu} k_{1\gamma} \eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\beta\sigma}) - P_3(k_{1\beta} k_{2\mu} \eta_{\alpha\nu} \eta_{\sigma\gamma}) \\ & + P_3(k_{1\sigma} k_{2\gamma} \eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\alpha\beta}) + P_6(k_{1\sigma} k_{1\gamma} \eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\alpha\beta}) + 2P_6(k_{1\nu} k_{2\gamma} \eta_{\beta\mu} \eta_{\alpha\sigma}) \\ & \left. + 2P_3(k_{1\nu} k_{2\mu} \eta_{\beta\sigma} \eta_{\gamma\alpha}) - 2P_3(k_1 \cdot k_2 \eta_{\alpha\nu} \eta_{\beta\sigma} \eta_{\gamma\mu}) \right] \end{aligned}$$




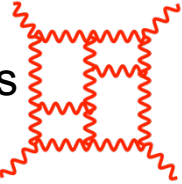
About 100 terms in three vertex


Naïve conclusion: Gravity is a nasty mess.

Feynman Diagrams for Gravity

Spectacularly poor scaling in GR

3 loops  $\sim 10^{20}$ TERMS No surprise it has never been calculated via Feynman diagrams.

4 loops  $\sim 10^{26}$ TERMS

5 loops  $\sim 10^{31}$ TERMS More terms than atoms in your brain!

- Such calculations seemed utterly hopeless!
- Seemed destined for dustbin of undecidable questions.

Modern methods make such calculations routine, but challenging.

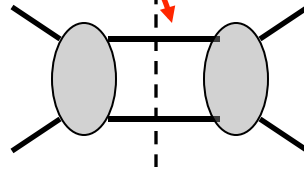
Generalized Unitarity Method

No Feynman rules; no need for virtual particles. Keep E in

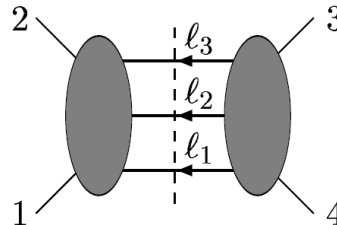
$$E^2 = \vec{p}^2 + m^2 \leftarrow \text{on-shell}$$

ZB, Dixon, Dunbar and Kosower (1994)

Two-particle cut:

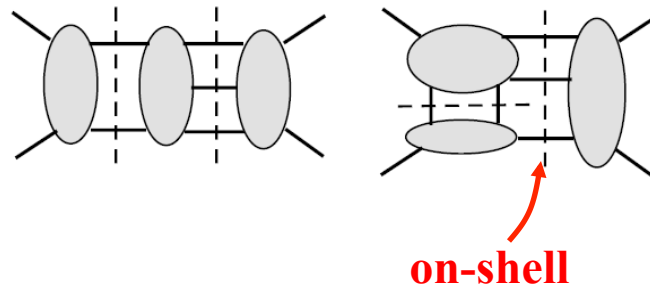


Three-particle cut:



- Systematic assembly of complete amplitudes from other amplitudes.
- Works for any number of particles or loops.

Generalized unitarity as a practical tool.



ZB, Dixon and Kosower;
ZB, Morgan;
Britto, Cachazo, Feng;
Ossala, Pittau, Papadopoulos;
Ellis, Kunszt, Melnikov;
Forde; Badger
and many others

Reproduces Feynman diagrams except intermediate steps of calculation based on gauge invariant quantities.

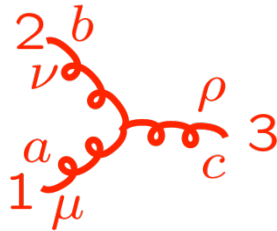
Simplicity of Gravity Amplitudes

People were looking at gravity amplitudes the wrong way.
On-shell viewpoint much more powerful.

On-shell three vertices contains all information:

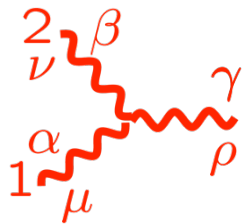
$$k_i^2 = 0$$

**Yang-Mills
gauge theory:**



$$-gf^{abc}(\eta_{\mu\nu}(k_1 - k_2)_\rho + \text{cyclic})$$

**Einstein
gravity:**



$$i\kappa(\eta_{\mu\nu}(k_1 - k_2)_\rho + \text{cyclic}) \\ \times (\eta_{\alpha\beta}(k_1 - k_2)_\gamma + \text{cyclic})$$

“square” of
Yang-Mills
vertex.

Very simple!

Gravity Amplitudes

KLT (1985)

Kawai-Lewellen-Tye string relations in low energy limit:

gravity \swarrow $M_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4) = -is_{12}A_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4) A_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 4, 3),$ \swarrow **gauge theory color ordered**

$$M_5^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) = is_{12}s_{34}A_5^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) A_5^{\text{tree}}(2, 1, 4, 3, 5) \\ + is_{13}s_{24}A_5^{\text{tree}}(1, 3, 2, 4, 5) A_5^{\text{tree}}(3, 1, 4, 2, 5)$$

Pattern gives explicit all-leg form.

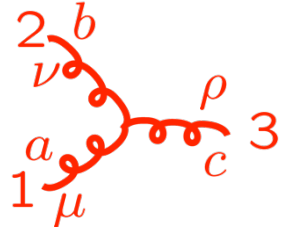


- 1. Gravity is derivable from gauge theory. Standard Lagrangian methods offers no hint why this is possible.**
- 2. It is very generally applicable.**

Duality Between Color and Kinematics

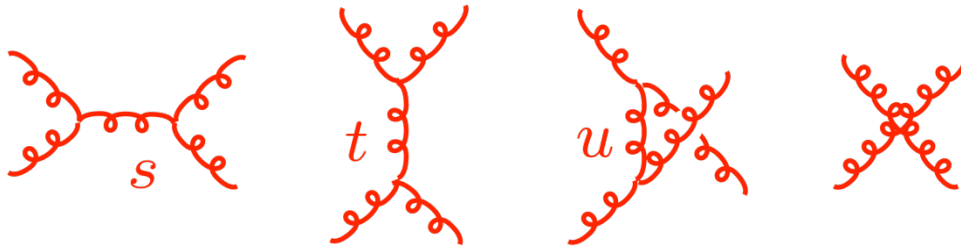
ZB, Carrasco, Johansson (2007)

coupling constant \rightarrow color factor \rightarrow momentum dependent kinematic factor

$$-g f^{abc} (\eta_{\mu\nu} (k_1 - k_2)_\rho + \text{cyclic})$$


Color factors based on a Lie algebra: $[T^a, T^b] = i f^{abc} T^c$

Jacobi Identity $f^{a_1 a_2 b} f^{b a_4 a_3} + f^{a_4 a_2 b} f^{b a_3 a_1} + f^{a_4 a_1 b} f^{b a_2 a_3} = 0$



Use $1 = s/s = t/t = u/u$
to assign 4-point diagram
to others.

$$s = (k_1 + k_2)^2 \quad t = (k_1 + k_4)^2 \\ u = (k_1 + k_3)^2$$

$$\mathcal{A}_4^{\text{tree}} = g^2 \left(\frac{n_s c_s}{s} + \frac{n_t c_t}{t} + \frac{n_u c_u}{u} \right)$$

Color factors satisfy Jacobi identity:

Numerator factors satisfy similar identity:

$$c_u = c_s - c_t \\ n_u = n_s - n_t$$

Proven at tree level

Duality Between Color and Kinematics

Consider five-point tree amplitude:

ZB, Carrasco, Johansson (BCJ)

$$\mathcal{A}_5^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{i=1}^{15} \frac{c_i n_i}{\prod_{\alpha_i} p_{\alpha_i}^2}$$

color factor
kinematic numerator factor
Feynman propagators

$$c_1 = f^{a_3 a_4 b} f^{b a_5 c} f^{c a_1 a_2} \quad c_2 = f^{a_3 a_4 b} f^{b a_2 c} f^{c a_1 a_5} \quad c_3 = f^{a_3 a_4 b} f^{b a_1 c} f^{c a_2 a_5}$$

$$n_i \sim k_4 \cdot k_5 k_2 \cdot \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \cdot \varepsilon_3 \varepsilon_4 \cdot \varepsilon_5 + \dots$$

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 0 \Leftrightarrow n_1 + n_2 + n_3 = 0$$

Claim: We can always find a rearrangement so color and kinematics satisfy the *same* algebraic constraint equations.

Progress on unraveling relations.

BCJ, Bjerrum-Bohr, Feng, Damgaard, Vanhove, ; Mafra, Stieberger, Schlotterer;

Tye and Zhang; Feng, Huang, Jia; Chen, Du, Feng; Du, Feng, Fu; Naculich, Nastase, Schnitzer

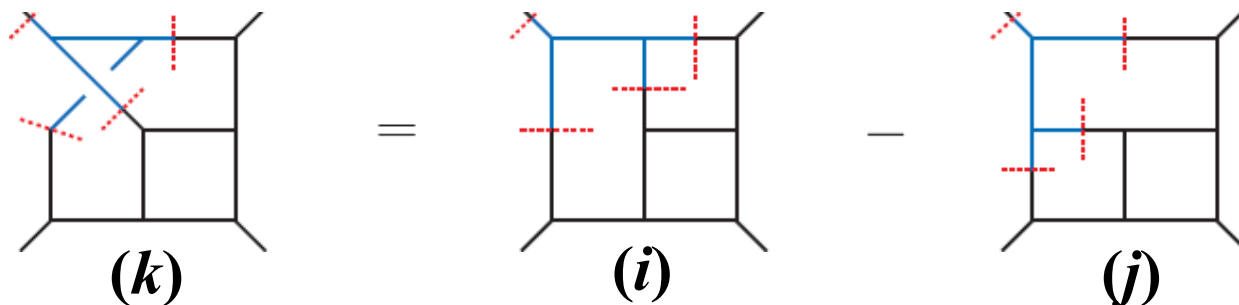
O'Connell and Montiero; Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, O'Connell and Montiero; O'Connell, Montiero, White;

Du, Feng and Teng, Song and Schlotterer, etc.

BCJ

Gravity Loop Integrands from Gauge Theory

Ideas conjectured to generalize to loops:



color factor

$$C_k = C_i - C_j$$

$$n_k = n_i - n_j$$

kinematic numerator

If you have a set of duality satisfying numerators.

To get:

gauge theory \longrightarrow gravity theory

simply take

color factor \longrightarrow kinematic numerator

$$C_k \longrightarrow n_k$$

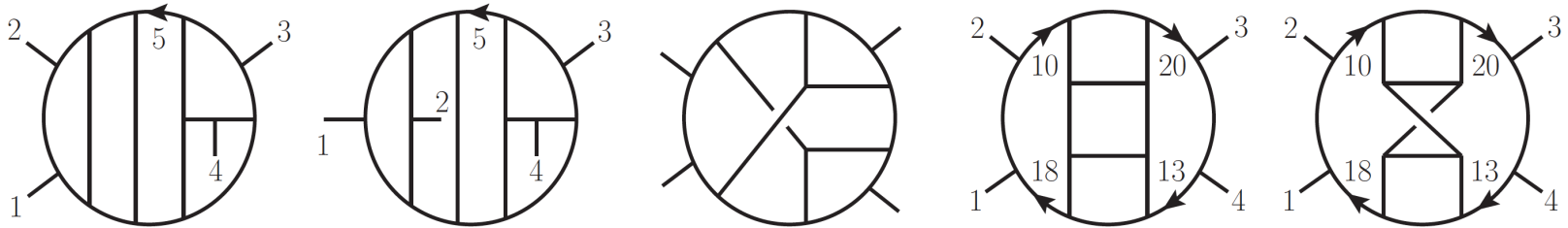
Gravity loop integrands follow from gauge theory!

$N = 8$ Supergravity at Five loops

ZB, Carrasco, Chen, Edison, Johansson, Roiban, Parra-Martinez, Zeng (2018)

$N = 8$ supergravity is a theory, studied as a model of unification.

To make a long story short: Even 5 loop calculations are possible



Evaluated leading divergence behavior to help answer fundamental questions on nonrenormalizability of gravity theories:

Key point: “Impossible” calculations are pretty standard by now.

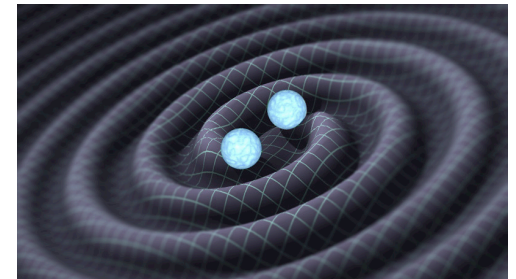
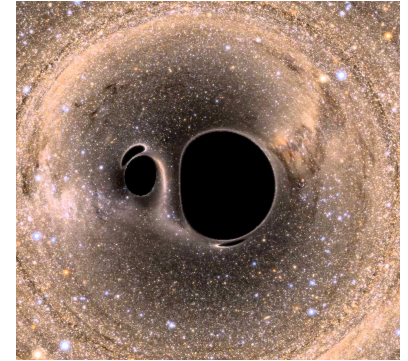
Want to harness these advances for LIGO

Double Copy for Classical Solutions

Goal is to formulate gravity solutions directly in terms of gauge theory

Variety of special cases:

- Schwarzschild and Kerr black holes.
- Taub-NUT space.
- Solutions with cosmological constant.
- Radiation from accelerating black hole.
- Maximally symmetric space times.
- Plane wave background.
- Gravitational radiation.



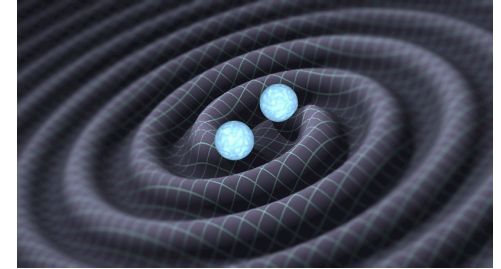
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Ridgway and Wise; Carrillo González, Penco, Trodden;
Adamo, Casali, Mason, Nekovar;
Goldberger and Ridgway; Chen;
Luna, Monteiro, Nicholson, Ochirov;
Bjerrum-Bohr, Donoghue, Vanhove;
O'Connell, Westerberg, White; Kosower, Maybee, O'Connell, etc

**Still no general understanding.
But plenty of examples.**

Double Copy and Gravitational Radiation

Can we simplify the types of calculations needed for LIGO?

A small industry has developed to study this.



- **Connection to scattering amplitudes.**

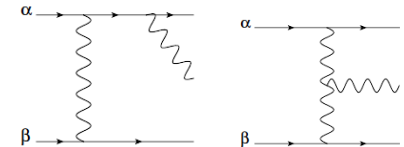
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Plefka, Steinhoff, Wormsbecher

- **Worldline approach for radiation.**

Goldberger and Ridgway; Goldberger, Li, Prabhu, Thompson; Chester; Shen

- **Removing the dilaton contamination.**

Luna, Nicholson, O'Connell, White; Johansson, Ochirov; Johansson, Kalin;
Henrik Johansson, Gregor Kälin, Mogull.



Key Question: Can double copy help us calculate something of direct interest to LIGO/Virgo *beyond* state of the art?

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(credit: Justin Vines)

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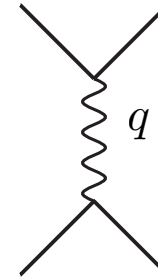
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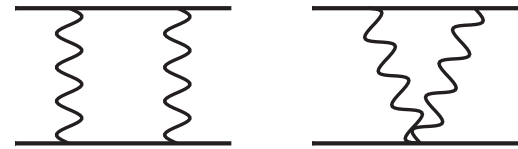
Potentials and Amplitudes

Tree-level: Fourier transform gives classical potential.

$$V(r) = \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} A^{\text{tree}}(\mathbf{q})$$



At higher orders things quickly become less obvious:



- What we learned in grad school on \hbar counting is wrong.
Loops with masses can have classical pieces.

- Double counting and iteration.
- $1/\hbar$ scaling of loop amplitudes.
- Non-uniqueness of potential.
- Cross terms between $1/\hbar$ and \hbar .

$$e^{iS_{\text{classical}}/\hbar}$$

$$1/\hbar^L \quad \text{at } L \text{ loops}$$

Piece of loops are classical: Our task is to extract these pieces.

We harness EFT to clean up confusion

EFT is a Clean Approach

No need to re-invent the wheel.

Build EFT from which we can read off potential.

Goldberger and Rothstein

Neill, Rothstein

Cheung, Rothstein, Solon (2018)

$$L_{\text{kin}} = \int_{\mathbf{k}} A^\dagger(-\mathbf{k}) \left(i\partial_t + \sqrt{\mathbf{k}^2 + m_A^2} \right) A(\mathbf{k}) \\ + \int_{\mathbf{k}} B^\dagger(-\mathbf{k}) \left(i\partial_t + \sqrt{\mathbf{k}^2 + m_B^2} \right) B(\mathbf{k})$$

**A, B scalars
represents spinless
black holes**

$$L_{\text{int}} = - \int_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} V(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') A^\dagger(\mathbf{k}') A(\mathbf{k}) B^\dagger(-\mathbf{k}') B(-\mathbf{k})$$

Match amplitudes of this theory to the full theory in classical limit to extract a potential.

EFT Matching

full Einstein's theory
(complicated)

Amplitude methods
double copy



tree amplitude

$\hbar \rightarrow 0$

generalized
unitarity



loop integrand

loop
integration



GR loop amplitude

effective theory
(simpler)

build
ansatz



potential

Feynman
diagrams



loop integrand

loop
integration



EFT loop amplitude

identical
physics


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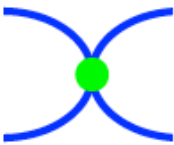
Roundabout but efficiently determines potential

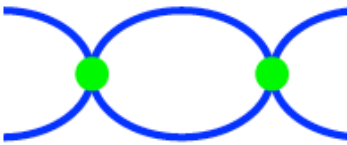
Feynman diagrams for EFT

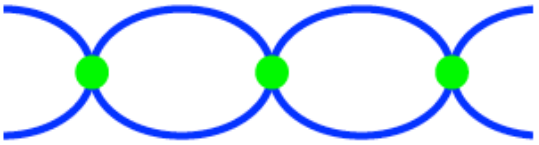
- EFT scattering amplitudes easy to compute using Feynman diagrams.
- No need for advanced methods.

$$A_{\text{EFT}} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} G^i A_{\text{EFT}}^{(i)}$$

 **Newton's constant**

=  **vertices contain all powers of G**

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+  + ...

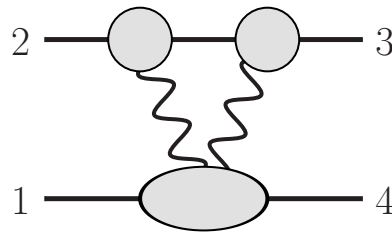
Match to Full Theory

Full Theory: Unitarity + Double Copy

- **Long range force: Two matter lines must be separated by cut propagators.**
- **Classical potential: 1 matter line per loop is cut (on-shell).**

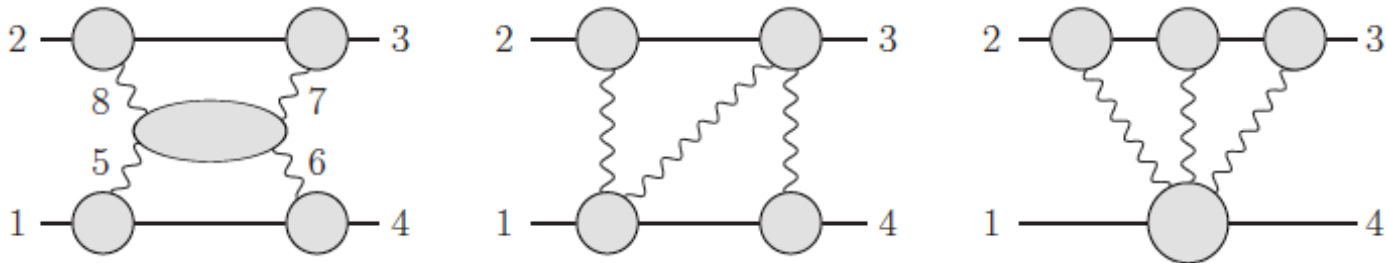
Neill and Rothstein ; Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Festuccia, Planté, Vanhove; Cheung, Rothstein, Solon

Only independent unitarity cut for 2 PM.



**exposed lines on-shell (long range).
Classical pieces simple!**

Independent generalized unitarity cuts for 3 PM.



What about the dilaton?

Double copy constructions naturally have unwanted states

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{(gluon)} & \times & \text{(gluon)} & = & \text{graviton} + \text{dilaton} + \text{axion} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ 2 \text{ states} & & 2 \text{ states} & & 2 \text{ states} \end{array}$$

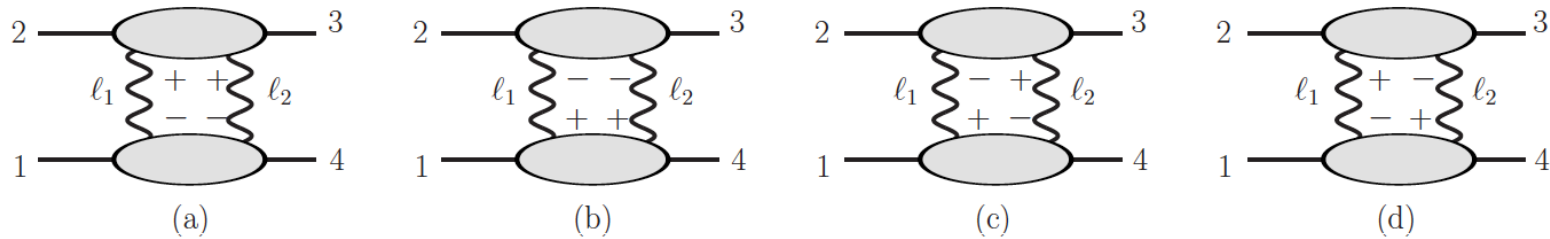
For physical gravitational waves must eliminate dilaton and axion.

Will explain that this is *not* a problem, merely a minor annoyance.

Generalized Unitarity Cuts

Primary means of construction uses BCJ, but KLT should have better scaling at high loops and easier to explain:

2PM



$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{\text{GR}} &= \sum_{h_1, h_2 = \pm} M^{\text{tree}}(3, \ell_2^{h_2}, -\ell_1^{h_1}, 2) \times M^{\text{tree}}(1, \ell_1^{-h_1}, -\ell_2^{-h_2}, 4) \\
 &= - \sum_{h_1, h_2 = \pm} s_{23}^2 [A^{\text{tree}}(3, \ell_2^{h_2}, -\ell_1^{h_1}, 2) \times A^{\text{tree}}(1, \ell_1^{-h_1}, -\ell_2^{-h_2}, 4)] \\
 &\quad \times [A^{\text{tree}}(2, \ell_2^{h_2}, -\ell_1^{h_1}, 3) \times A^{\text{tree}}(4, \ell_1^{-h_1}, -\ell_2^{-h_2}, 1)]
 \end{aligned}$$

By correlating gluon helicities, removing dilaton is trivial.

$$h_{\mu\nu}^- \rightarrow A_{\mu}^- A_{\mu}^- \quad h_{\mu\nu}^+ \rightarrow A_{\mu}^+ A_{\mu}^+ \quad \text{Forbid: } A_{\mu}^+ A_{\mu}^-$$

Problem of computing the generalized cuts in gravity is reduced multiplying and summing gauge-theory tree amplitudes.

Gauge-Theory Building Blocks for 2 PM Gravity

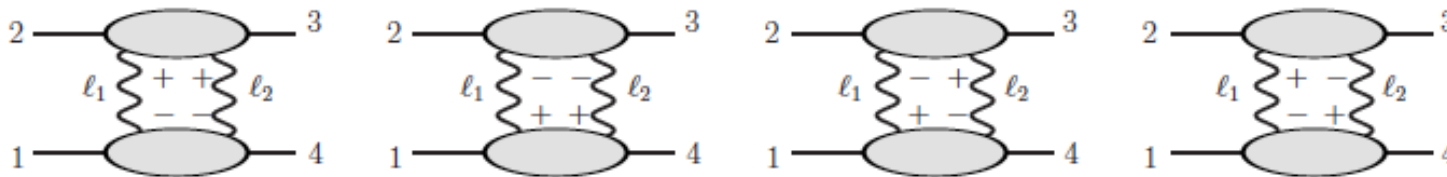
$$A^{\text{tree}}(1^s, 2^+, 3^+, 4^s) = i \frac{m_1^2 [23]}{\langle 23 \rangle t_{12}}$$

$$A^{\text{tree}}(1^s, 2^+, 3^-, 4^s) = -i \frac{\langle 3|1|2 \rangle^2}{\langle 23 \rangle [23] t_{12}}$$



color-ordered gauge-theory
tree amplitudes

- This is all you need for 2 PM.
- Scaling with number of external legs is brilliant.



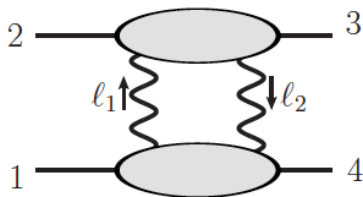
$$C_{\text{YM}} = 2 \left(\frac{\mathcal{E}^2 + \mathcal{O}^2}{s_{23}^2} + m_1^2 m_2^2 \right) \frac{1}{t_{1\ell_1} t_{2\ell_1}}$$

gauge theory

$$\mathcal{E}^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left[-t_{12} s_{23} + s_{23} t_{1\ell_1} - s_{23} t_{2\ell_1} + 2 t_{1\ell_1} t_{2\ell_1} \right]^2$$

$$\mathcal{O}^2 = \mathcal{E}^2 - (s_{23} m_1^2 + s_{23} t_{1\ell_1} + t_{1\ell_1}^2) (s_{23} m_2^2 - s_{23} t_{2\ell_1} + t_{2\ell_1}^2)$$

One loop gravity warmup



**Apply unitarity and KLT relations.
Import gauge-theory results.**

$$C_{\text{GR}} = 2 \left[\frac{1}{t^4} (\mathcal{E}^4 + \mathcal{O}^4 + 6\mathcal{E}^2 \mathcal{O}^2) + m_1^4 m_2^4 \right] \left[\frac{1}{t_{1\ell_1}} + \frac{1}{t_{4\ell_1}} \right] \left[\frac{1}{t_{2\ell_1}} + \frac{1}{t_{3\ell_1}} \right]$$

- Same building blocks as gauge theory!
- Double copy is visible even though we have removed dilaton and axion.

We can extract classical scattering angles or potentials following literature

Damour; Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Festuccia, Planté, Vanhove;
Cheung, Rothstein, Solon

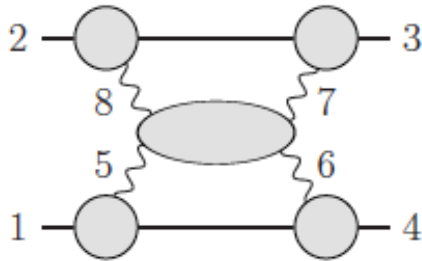
This is 2nd PM order

Two Loops for 3 PM

$$s_{23} = (p_2 + p_3)^2$$

$$t_{ij} = 2p_i \cdot p_j$$

ZB, Cheung, Shen, Roiban, Solon, Zeng



- Use KLT and sum over helicities
- Very similar to one loop

$$C^{\text{H-cut}} = 2i \left[\frac{1}{(p_5 - p_8)^2} + \frac{1}{(p_5 + p_7)^2} \right] \times \left[s_{23}^2 m_1^4 m_2^4 + \frac{1}{s_{23}^6} \sum_{i=1,2} \left(\mathcal{E}_i^4 + \mathcal{O}_i^4 + 6\mathcal{O}_i^2 \mathcal{E}_i^2 \right) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{E}_1^2 = \frac{1}{4} s_{23}^2 (t_{18} t_{25} - t_{12} t_{58})^2, \quad \mathcal{O}_1^2 = \mathcal{E}_1^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2 s_{23}^2 t_{58}^2,$$

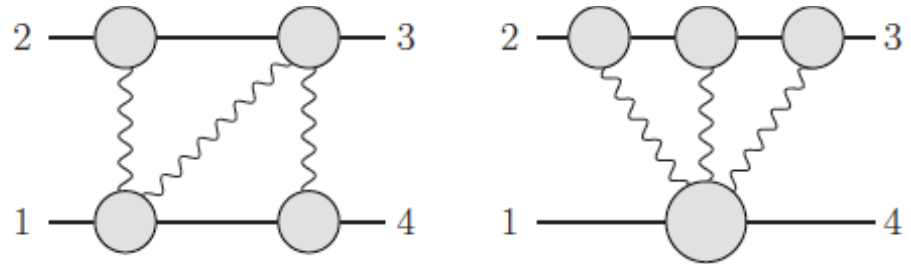
$$\mathcal{E}_2^2 = \frac{1}{4} s_{23}^2 (t_{17} t_{25} - t_{12} t_{57} - s_{23} (t_{17} + t_{57}))^2,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_2^2 = \mathcal{E}_2^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2 s_{23}^2 t_{57}^2.$$

- Double copy is visible.
- Remarkably simple, given it is two-loop gravity.

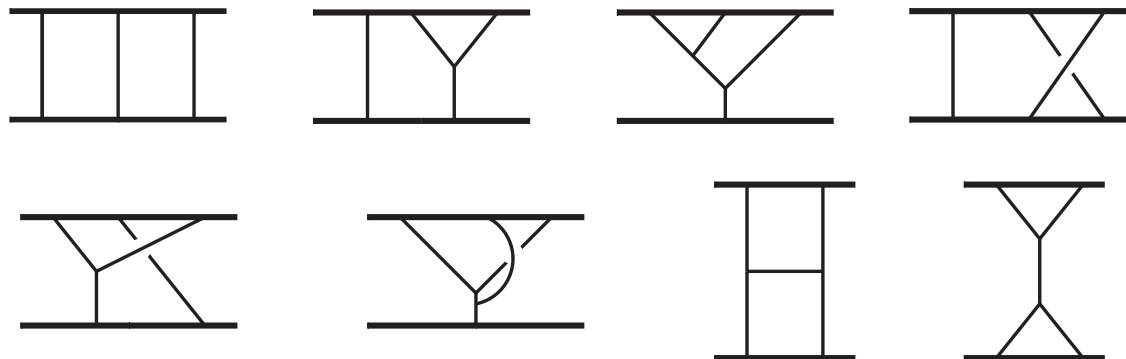
Two loops and 3 PM

Also need contributions from other cuts.



- These unitarity cuts more complicated than previous cut.
- Evaluated using BCJ double copy, with KLT double copy as check.
- To interface easily with EFT approach merged unitarity cuts into diagrams to get integrand.

Integrand organized into 8 independent diagrams that can contribute in classical limit:



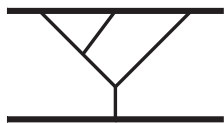
Two-Loop Diagram Numerators



$$(t_{12}^2 - 2m_1^2 m_2^2)^3$$



$$2m_2^3 t_{47}^2 (t_{12}^2 - 2m_1^2 m_2^2)$$



$$\begin{aligned} & 2m_2^4 (s_{23}^4 + s_{23}^3 (2t_{12} + 2t_{15} - t_{47} - 2t_{67}) - 2m_1^2 m_2^2 (s_{23} - t_{67})^2 + (t_{15} t_{56} + (t_{12} - t_{47}) t_{67})^2 \\ & + s_{23}^2 (t_{12}^2 + t_{15}^2 + t_{47}^2 - t_{47} t_{56} + t_{12} (4t_{15} - 2t_{47} + t_{56} - 4t_{67}) + t_{15} (-2t_{47} + t_{56} - 2t_{67}) \\ & + 2t_{47} t_{67} + t_{67}^2) + s_{23} (t_{15} (t_{56}^2 + 2(-2t_{12} + t_{47}) t_{67} - t_{56} t_{67}) \\ & + t_{67} (-2t_{12}^2 + t_{47} (-2t_{47} + t_{56} - t_{67}) + t_{12} (4t_{47} - t_{56} + 2t_{67})))) \end{aligned}$$

etc. Remaining 5 diagrams somewhat more complicated but not a big deal.

- **Very simple compared to the usual Feynman diagram explosion.**
- **Higher-loop integrand constructions definitely possible!**

Integration + Extraction of Potential

ZB, Cheung, Shen, Roiban, Solon, Zeng

To integrate follow methods of Cheung, Rothstein and Solon.

- **Integrals reduce via residues to simple 3 dimensional integrals.**
- **Efficiently targets the classical pieces we want.**
- **Incorporates matching to effective field theory.**
- **Good scaling with perturbative order.**

Checks on integrals using standard tools of QCD:

- **Mellin-Barnes integration.** V. Smirnov; Czakon
- **Sector decomposition.** Binoth and Heinrich, A. Smirnov
- **Integration by parts.** K. G. Chetyrkin and F. V. Tkachov, Laporta; A. Smirnov; Maierhöfer, Usovitsch, Uwer
- **Differential equations.** ZB, Dixon, Kosower; Remiddi and Gehrmann
- **Method of regions.** Beneke, V. Smirnov; A. Smirnov.

Amplitude in Classical Limit

ZB, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng (2019)

Classical limit. The $O(G^3)$ or 3PM terms are:

rapidity 

$$\mathcal{M}_3 = \frac{\pi G^3 \nu^2 m^4 \log \mathbf{q}^2}{6\gamma^2 \xi} \left[3 - 6\nu + 206\nu\sigma - 54\sigma^2 + 108\nu\sigma^2 + 4\nu\sigma^3 - \frac{48\nu (3 + 12\sigma^2 - 4\sigma^4) \operatorname{arcsinh} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma-1}{2}}}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{18\nu\gamma (1 - 2\sigma^2) (1 - 5\sigma^2)}{(1 + \gamma)(1 + \sigma)} \right] + \frac{8\pi^3 G^3 \nu^4 m^6}{\gamma^4 \xi} \left[3\gamma (1 - 2\sigma^2) (1 - 5\sigma^2) F_1 - 32m^2 \nu^2 (1 - 2\sigma^2)^3 F_2 \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} m &= m_A + m_B, & \mu &= m_A m_B / m, & \nu &= \mu / m, & \gamma &= E / m, \\ \xi &= E_1 E_2 / E^2, & E &= E_1 + E_2, & \sigma &= p_1 \cdot p_2 / m_1 m_2, \end{aligned}$$

F_1 and F_2 IR divergent iteration terms that don't affect potential.

Two loop gravity.

Simplicity of result is remarkable!

Conservative 3PM Potential

ZB, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng

Follow EFT strategy:

The 3PM Hamiltonian:

$$H(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m_1^2} + \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m_2^2} + V(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r})$$

$$V(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i(\mathbf{p}^2) \left(\frac{G}{|\mathbf{r}|} \right)^i,$$

$$c_1 = \frac{\nu^2 m^2}{\gamma^2 \xi} (1 - 2\sigma^2), \quad c_2 = \frac{\nu^2 m^3}{\gamma^2 \xi} \left[\frac{3}{4} (1 - 5\sigma^2) - \frac{4\nu\sigma (1 - 2\sigma^2)}{\gamma \xi} - \frac{\nu^2 (1 - \xi) (1 - 2\sigma^2)^2}{2\gamma^3 \xi^2} \right],$$

$$c_3 = \frac{\nu^2 m^4}{\gamma^2 \xi} \left[\frac{1}{12} (3 - 6\nu + 206\nu\sigma - 54\sigma^2 + 108\nu\sigma^2 + 4\nu\sigma^3) - \frac{4\nu (3 + 12\sigma^2 - 4\sigma^4) \operatorname{arcsinh} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma-1}{2}}}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{3\nu\gamma (1 - 2\sigma^2) (1 - 5\sigma^2)}{2(1 + \gamma)(1 + \sigma)} - \frac{3\nu\sigma (7 - 20\sigma^2)}{2\gamma \xi} - \frac{\nu^2 (3 + 8\gamma - 3\xi - 15\sigma^2 - 80\gamma\sigma^2 + 15\xi\sigma^2) (1 - 2\sigma^2)}{4\gamma^3 \xi^2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2\nu^3 (3 - 4\xi)\sigma (1 - 2\sigma^2)^2}{\gamma^4 \xi^3} + \frac{\nu^4 (1 - 2\xi) (1 - 2\sigma^2)^3}{2\gamma^6 \xi^4} \right],$$

$$m = m_A + m_B, \quad \mu = m_A m_B / m, \quad \nu = \mu / m, \quad \gamma = E / m,$$

$$\xi = E_1 E_2 / E^2, \quad E = E_1 + E_2, \quad \sigma = \mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2 / m_1 m_2,$$

Checks

ZB, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng

Primary check:

Compare to 4PN Hamiltonian of Damour, Jaranowski, Schäfer

Need canonical transformation:

$$\begin{aligned}(\boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{p}) &\rightarrow (\boldsymbol{R}, \boldsymbol{P}) = (A \boldsymbol{r} + B \boldsymbol{p}, C \boldsymbol{p} + D \boldsymbol{r}) \\ A &= 1 - \frac{Gm\nu}{2|\boldsymbol{r}|} + \dots, \quad B = \frac{G(1 - 2/\nu)}{4m|\boldsymbol{r}|} \boldsymbol{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{r} + \dots \\ C &= 1 + \frac{Gm\nu}{2|\boldsymbol{r}|} + \dots, \quad D = -\frac{Gm\nu}{2|\boldsymbol{r}|^3} \boldsymbol{p} \cdot \boldsymbol{r} + \dots,\end{aligned}$$

**For overlap terms of our Hamiltonian equivalent to 4PN Hamiltonian.
Explicit canonical transformation found.**

4 PN Hamiltonian

Damour, Jaranowski, Schaefer

$$\mathbf{n} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}$$

$$\hat{H}_N(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2} - \frac{1}{r},$$

$$c^2 \hat{H}_{1PN}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{8}(3\nu - 1)(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \left\{ (3 + \nu)\mathbf{p}^2 + \nu(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \right\} \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{2r^2},$$

$$c^4 \hat{H}_{2PN}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{16} (1 - 5\nu + 5\nu^2) (\mathbf{p}^2)^3 + \frac{1}{8} \left\{ (5 - 20\nu - 3\nu^2) (\mathbf{p}^2)^2 - 2\nu^2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \mathbf{p}^2 - 3\nu^2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4 \right\} \frac{1}{r} \\ + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ (5 + 8\nu)\mathbf{p}^2 + 3\nu(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \right\} \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{1}{4}(1 + 3\nu) \frac{1}{r^3},$$

$$c^6 \hat{H}_{3PN}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{128} (-5 + 35\nu - 70\nu^2 + 35\nu^3) (\mathbf{p}^2)^4 + \frac{1}{16} \left\{ (-7 + 42\nu - 53\nu^2 - 5\nu^3) (\mathbf{p}^2)^3 \right. \\ \left. + (2 - 3\nu)\nu^2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 + 3(1 - \nu)\nu^2(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4 \mathbf{p}^2 - 5\nu^3(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^6 \right\} \frac{1}{r} \\ + \left\{ \frac{1}{16} (-27 + 136\nu + 109\nu^2) (\mathbf{p}^2)^2 + \frac{1}{16}(17 + 30\nu)\nu(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \mathbf{p}^2 + \frac{1}{12}(5 + 43\nu)\nu(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4 \right\} \frac{1}{r^2} \\ + \left\{ \left(-\frac{25}{8} + \left(\frac{\pi^2}{64} - \frac{335}{48} \right) \nu - \frac{23\nu^2}{8} \right) \mathbf{p}^2 + \left(-\frac{85}{16} - \frac{3\pi^2}{64} - \frac{7\nu}{4} \right) \nu(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \right\} \frac{1}{r^3} + \left\{ \frac{1}{8} + \left(\frac{109}{12} - \frac{21}{32}\pi^2 \right) \nu \right\} \frac{1}{r^4},$$

G^4

4 PN Hamiltonian

Damour, Jaranowski, Schaefer

$\mathbf{n} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c^8 \hat{H}_{4\text{PN}}^{\text{local}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = & \left(\frac{7}{256} - \frac{63}{256}\nu + \frac{189}{256}\nu^2 - \frac{105}{128}\nu^3 + \frac{63}{256}\nu^4 \right) (\mathbf{p}^2)^5 \\
 & + \left\{ \frac{45}{128}(\mathbf{p}^2)^4 - \frac{45}{16}(\mathbf{p}^2)^4 \nu + \left(\frac{423}{64}(\mathbf{p}^2)^4 - \frac{3}{32}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{p}^2)^3 - \frac{9}{64}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 \right) \nu^2 \right. \\
 & + \left(-\frac{1013}{256}(\mathbf{p}^2)^4 + \frac{23}{64}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{p}^2)^3 + \frac{69}{128}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 - \frac{5}{64}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^6 \mathbf{p}^2 + \frac{35}{256}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^8 \right) \nu^3 \\
 & + \left(-\frac{35}{128}(\mathbf{p}^2)^4 - \frac{5}{32}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{p}^2)^3 - \frac{9}{64}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 - \frac{5}{32}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^6 \mathbf{p}^2 - \frac{35}{128}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^8 \right) \nu^4 \left. \right\} \frac{1}{r} \\
 & + \left\{ \frac{13}{8}(\mathbf{p}^2)^3 + \left(-\frac{791}{64}(\mathbf{p}^2)^3 + \frac{49}{16}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 - \frac{889}{192}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4 \mathbf{p}^2 + \frac{369}{160}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^6 \right) \nu \right. \\
 & + \left(\frac{4857}{256}(\mathbf{p}^2)^3 - \frac{545}{64}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 + \frac{9475}{768}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4 \mathbf{p}^2 - \frac{1151}{128}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^6 \right) \nu^2 \\
 & + \left(\frac{2335}{256}(\mathbf{p}^2)^3 + \frac{1135}{256}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 - \frac{1649}{768}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4 \mathbf{p}^2 + \frac{10353}{1280}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^6 \right) \nu^3 \left. \right\} \frac{1}{r^2} \\
 & + \left\{ \frac{105}{32}(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 + \left(\left(\frac{2749\pi^2}{8192} - \frac{589189}{19200} \right) (\mathbf{p}^2)^2 + \left(\frac{63347}{1600} - \frac{1059\pi^2}{1024} \right) (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \mathbf{p}^2 + \left(\frac{375\pi^2}{8192} - \frac{23533}{1280} \right) (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4 \right) \nu \right. \\
 & + \left(\left(\frac{18491\pi^2}{16384} - \frac{1189789}{28800} \right) (\mathbf{p}^2)^2 + \left(-\frac{127}{3} - \frac{4035\pi^2}{2048} \right) (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \mathbf{p}^2 + \left(\frac{57563}{1920} - \frac{38655\pi^2}{16384} \right) (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4 \right) \nu^2 \\
 & + \left(-\frac{553}{128}(\mathbf{p}^2)^2 - \frac{225}{64}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \mathbf{p}^2 - \frac{381}{128}(\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^4 \right) \nu^3 \left. \right\} \frac{1}{r^3} \\
 & + \left\{ \frac{105}{32} \mathbf{p}^2 + \left(\left(\frac{185761}{19200} - \frac{21837\pi^2}{8192} \right) \mathbf{p}^2 + \left(\frac{3401779}{57600} - \frac{28691\pi^2}{24576} \right) (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \right) \nu \right. \\
 & + \left(\left(\frac{672811}{19200} - \frac{158177\pi^2}{49152} \right) \mathbf{p}^2 + \left(\frac{110099\pi^2}{49152} - \frac{21827}{3840} \right) (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{p})^2 \right) \nu^2 \left. \right\} \frac{1}{r^4} \quad \longleftarrow G^4 \\
 & + \left\{ -\frac{1}{16} + \left(\frac{6237\pi^2}{1024} - \frac{169199}{2400} \right) \nu + \left(\frac{7403\pi^2}{3072} - \frac{1256}{45} \right) \nu^2 \right\} \frac{1}{r^5}. \quad \longleftarrow G^5
 \end{aligned}$$

After canonical transformation we match all but G^4 and G^5 terms

Mess is partly due to their gauge choice.

Ours is all orders in p at G^3

Additional Tests

Additional (somewhat redundant) tests:

1. Calculated classical scattering angle (ignoring radiation reaction).
Match overlap terms in known 4PN result.

Bini and Damour

2. Calculated amplitude using potentials.
Match on overlap terms in known 4PN Hamiltonian.

Damour, Jaranowski, Schaefer

3. In test mass limit, $m_1 \ll m_2$, matches Schwarzschild Hamiltonian.

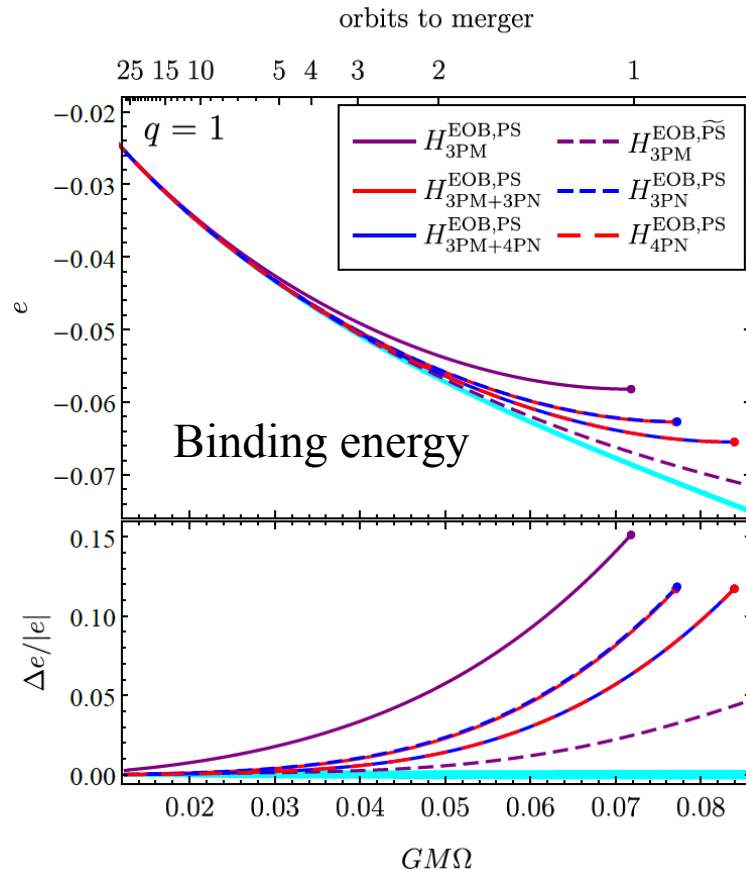
Wex and Schaefer

Gives us confidence that our Hamiltonian is correct and lines up with LIGO's template construction.

Tests of Our 3PM Hamiltonian for LIGO

Antonelli, Buonanno, Steinhoff, van de Meent, and Vines, arXiv:1901.07102 (last week)

(8 days after our paper)



Test against numerical relativity.

**Note: Not conclusive, e. g.
radiation not taken into account**

Winning curve is based on 3PM.

numerical relativity taken as truth

“This rather encouraging result motivates a more comprehensive study...”

3PM + 4PN fed into EOB → Most advanced 2 body Hamiltonian

Outlook for Gravitational Wave Physics

- **Methods are far from exhausted.**
- **Even more efficient methods seem likely.**
- **Methods should scale well to higher orders.**

Natural future questions to investigate:

- **Higher orders. Resummation in G .**
- **Radiation.**
- **Spin.**
- **Finite size effects.**

Hope to learn from the assembled experts about priorities.

Summary

- Remarkable connection between gauge and gravity theories:
 - color \longleftrightarrow kinematics.
 - gravity \sim (gauge theory)²
- Double-copy idea gives us a powerful new way to think about gravity. Unified framework for gravity and gauge theory.
- Obtained the 3PM conservative 2-body potential.
- Methods nowhere close to exhausted.
- Spin, finite size effects, radiation, and higher orders in G obvious possibilities to investigate.

Expect many more advances in coming years, not only for gravitational waves but also for understanding gravity and its relation to the other forces via double copy.

Extra Slides