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ON-SHELL APPROACH TO GRAVITATIONAL RADIATION BEYOND GR

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Plan:

1. Introduction
2. Quantum Amplitudes and Gravitational Waves
3. Radiation in Scalar-Tensor Theories
4. Summary

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Introduction: gravitational waves detection



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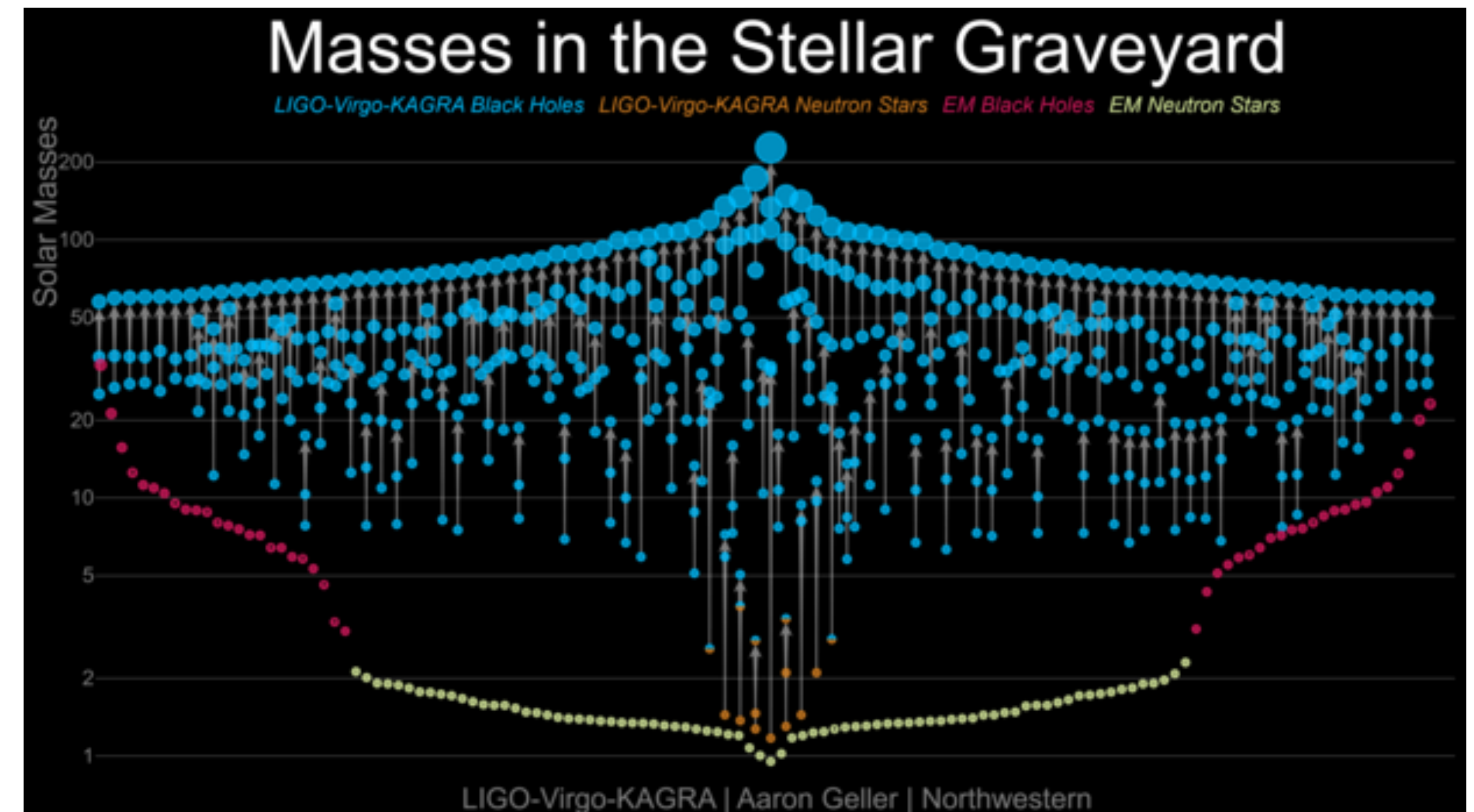
LIGO: First detection of **Gravitational Waves** (GWs) in **2015**



Many more black hole and neutron star mergers discovered by the LIGO-VIRGO-KAGRA collaboration

New era of precision measurements of GWs

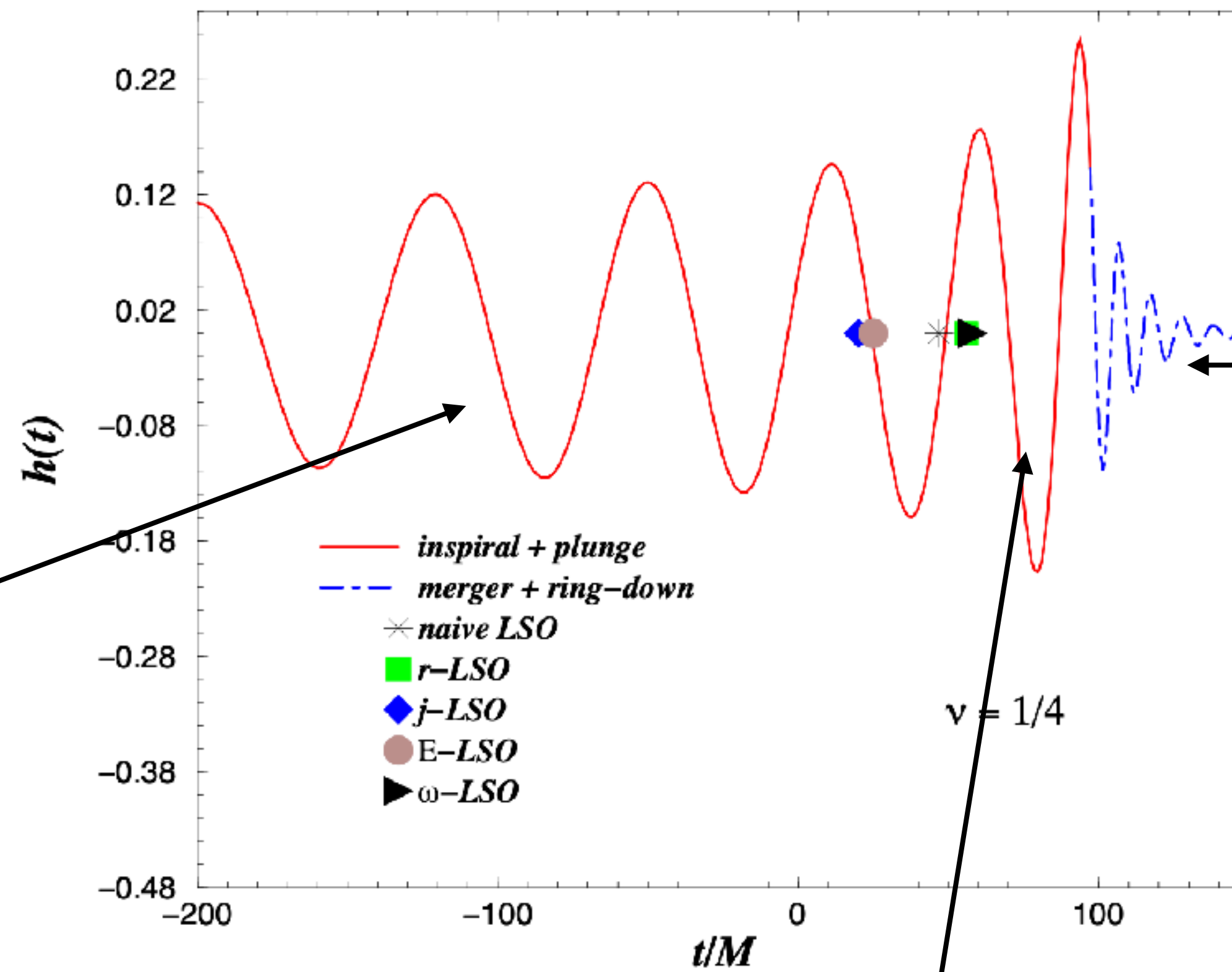
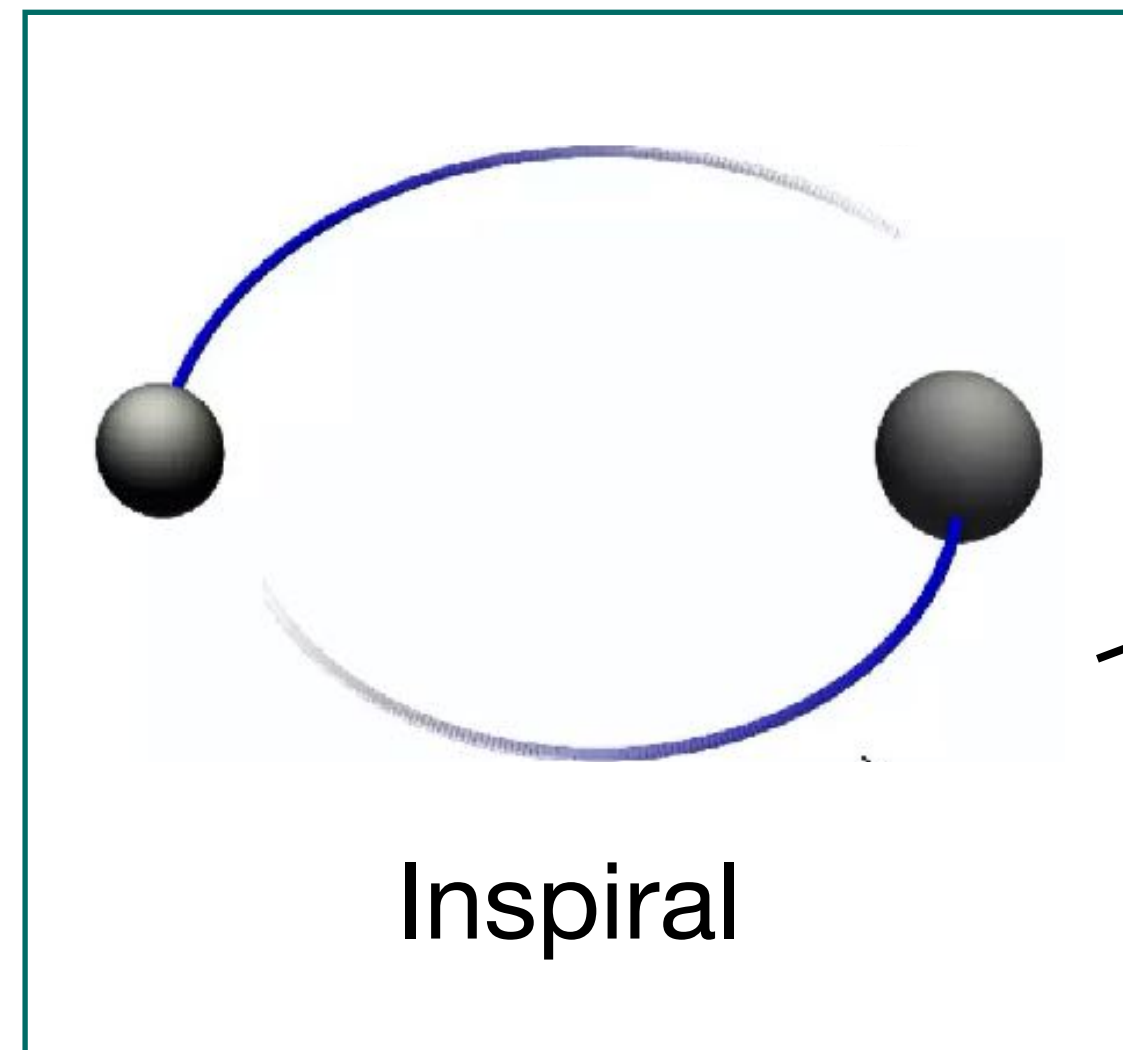
Need for highly accurate GW templates, especially in view of the future upgrades of the LIGO/VIRGO/KAGRA network and future missions such as LISA, Einstein Telescope, Cosmic Explorer, Decigo, Tian-Qin, GEO-HF



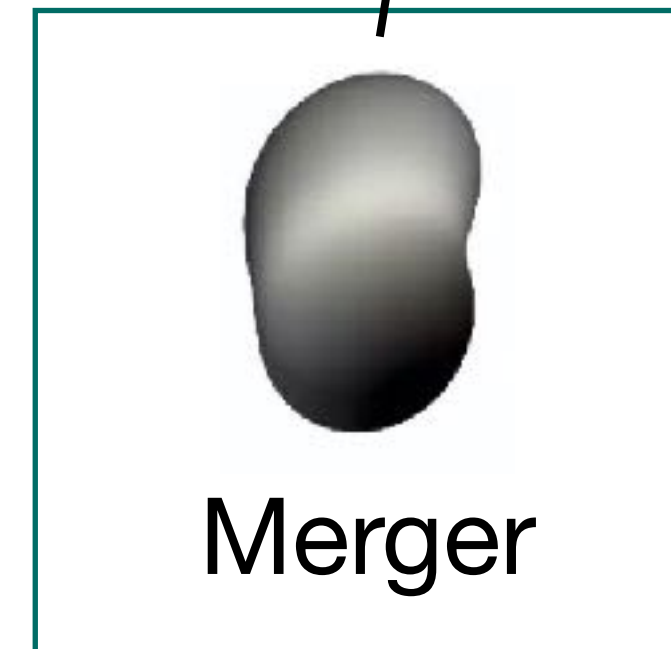
New window to test physics beyond general relativity (GR)!

Introduction: gravitational waves detection

Analytic approaches

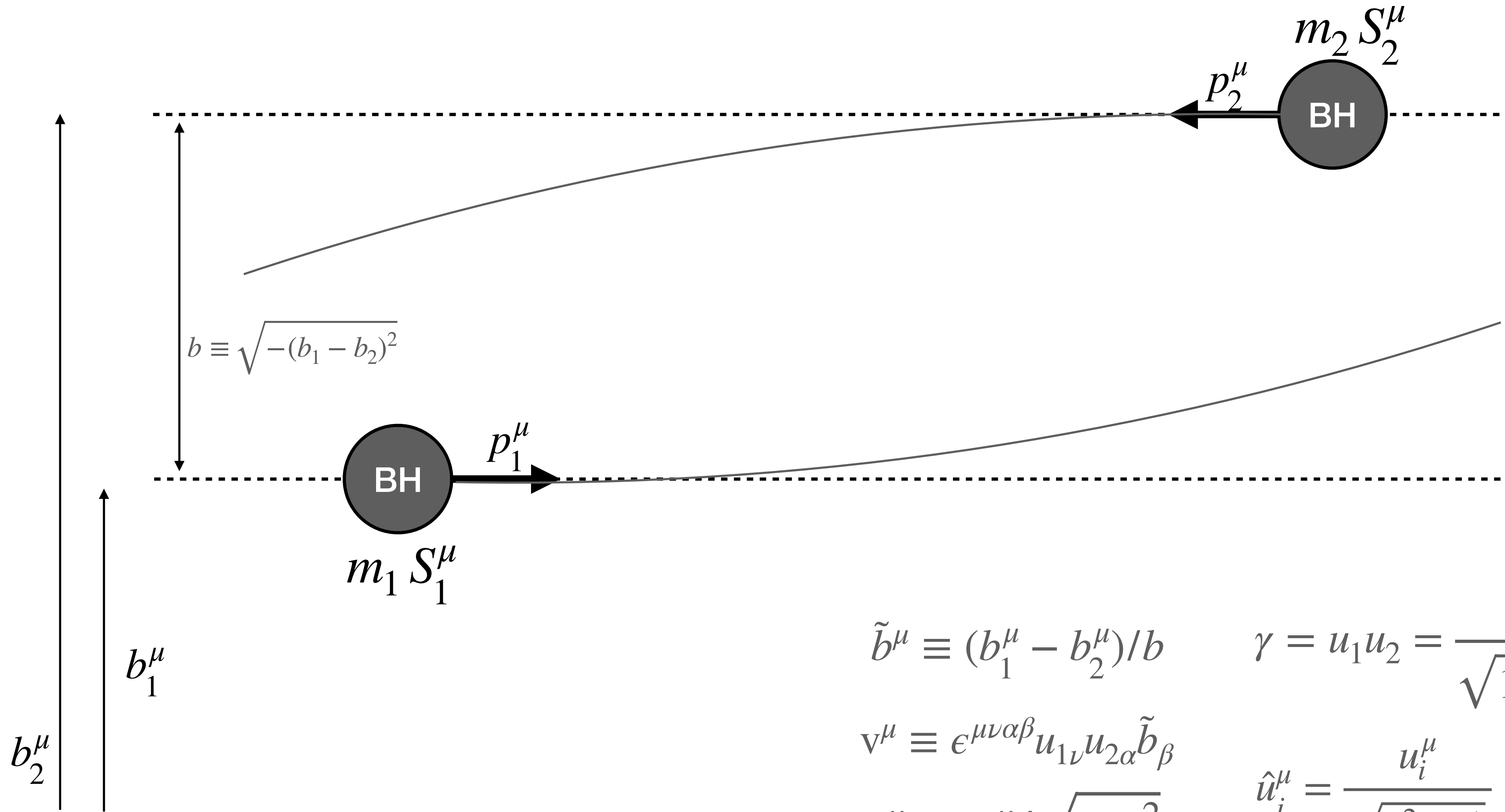


Black Hole Perturbation Theory (BHPT)



Numerical Relativity

Quantum Amplitudes and Classical Observables



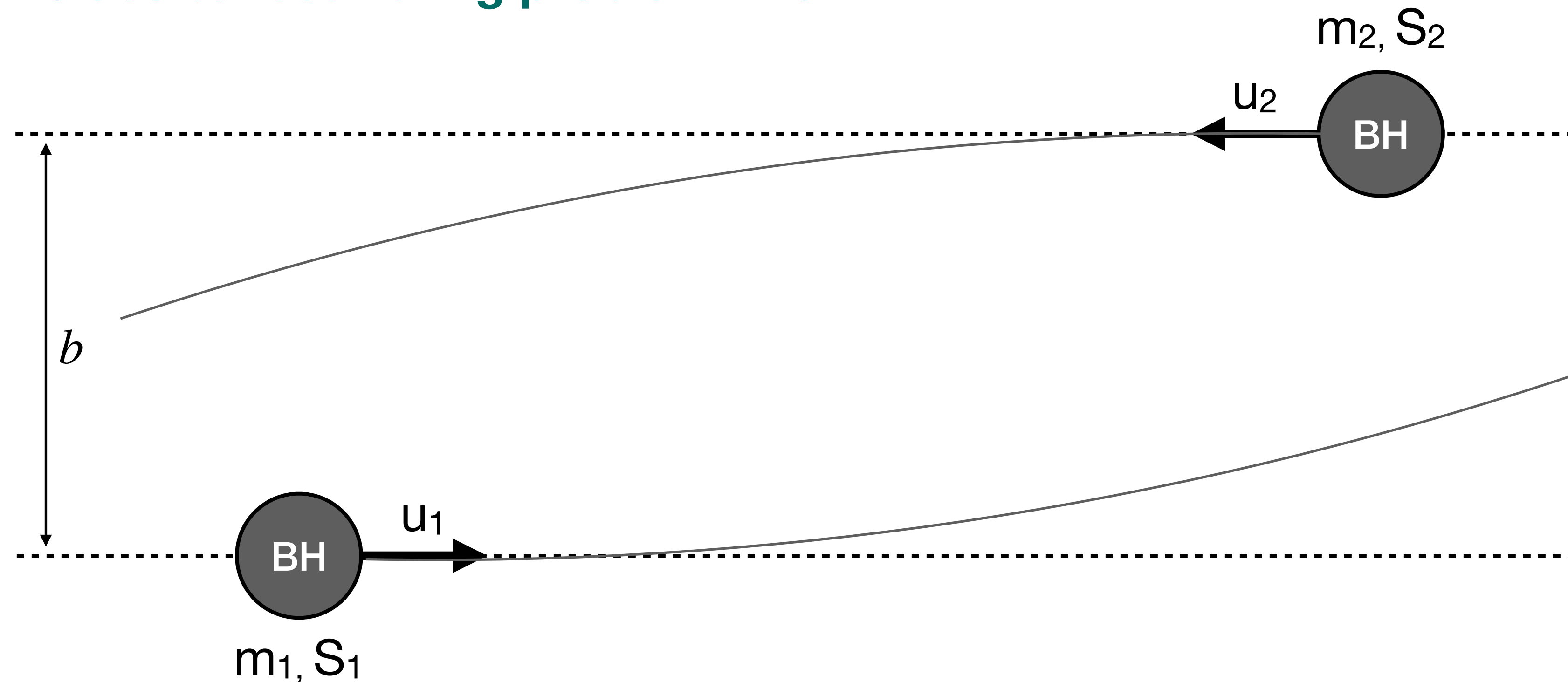
$$u_i^\mu = p_i^\mu / m_i$$
$$a_i^\mu = S_i^\mu / m_i$$

$$\tilde{b}^\mu \equiv (b_1^\mu - b_2^\mu) / b$$
$$\gamma = u_1 u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2}}$$
$$v^\mu \equiv \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} u_{1\nu} u_{2\alpha} \tilde{b}_\beta$$
$$\hat{u}_i^\mu = \frac{u_i^\mu}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}}$$
$$\tilde{v}^\mu \equiv v^\mu / \sqrt{-v^2}$$

Quantum Amplitudes and Gravitational Radiation

Quantum Amplitudes and Classical Observables

- Classical scattering problem in GR



Large separation:
 $R_s \ll b$

How can we describe this problem using Scattering Amplitudes computed in QFT?

Black holes represented by point particles interacting as spin-S particles minimally coupled to gravity

Quantum Amplitudes and Classical Observables

Why employ quantum amplitudes for classical calculations?

- Computations organized in perturbative expansion with Lorentz covariance preserved at each step
- Often, **analytic results** in places where only numerical results previously available
- Can exploit many **modern techniques used in particle physics** to simplify calculation
- Easy to include spin of the colliding objects
- Can be easily applied to relevant theories such as QED or GR
- Can be straightforwardly **extended to beyond GR predictions**

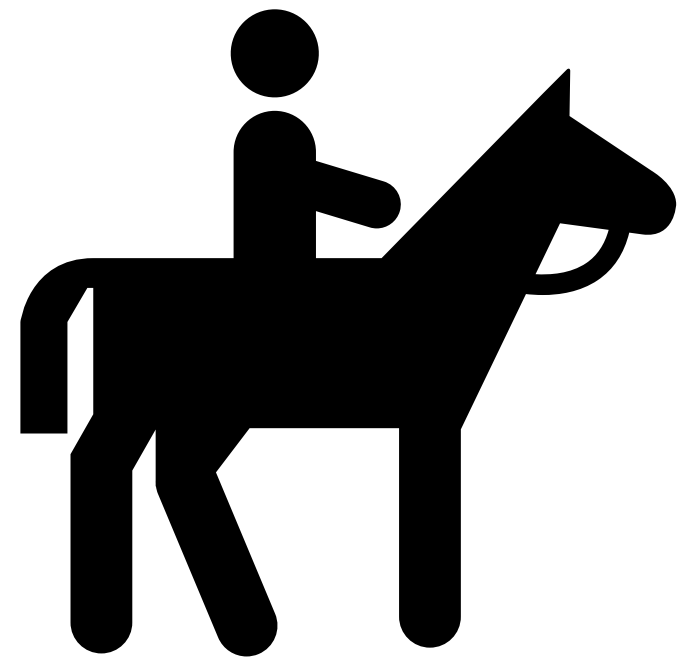
One downside is that amplitudes naturally give scattering observables, while phenomenologically bound systems are more relevant.

The problem of bound-to-boundary continuation is not fully solved yet

Alternative formalism of worldline EFT where this particular problem is absent

Quantum Amplitudes and Radiation Observables

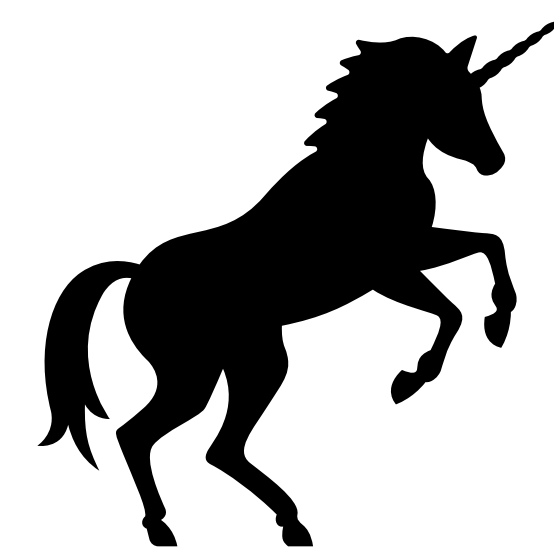
2 workhorses



KMOC formalism

Kosower, Maybee, O'Connell
[arXiv:1811.10950]

Cristofoli, R. Gonzo, D. A. Kosower, D. O'Connell
[arXiv:2107.10193]



On-shell methods

Arkani-Hamed, Huang, Huang
arXiv:1709.04891

KMOC formalism

One can define GR radiation observables as vacuum expectation values of metric field operators and its derivatives

GR

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} \equiv {}_{\text{out}}\langle\psi|h_{\mu\nu}(x)|\psi\rangle_{\text{out}}$$

or gauge invariant

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \equiv {}_{\text{out}}\langle\psi|R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(x)|\psi\rangle_{\text{out}}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_h \equiv {}_{\text{out}}\langle\psi|h^{\mu\nu}(x)|\psi\rangle_{\text{out}}\epsilon_{\mu\nu}^-$$

strain

Given radiation observable $\mathcal{R}_h$ one defines **waveform** W_h as

$$\mathcal{R}_h(x) = \frac{W_h(t)}{|\boldsymbol{x}|} \quad |\boldsymbol{x}| \rightarrow \infty \quad t \equiv x^0 - |\boldsymbol{x}|$$

retarded time

Furthermore one defines **spectral waveform** or waveshape f_h as Fourier transform:

$$f_h(\omega) = \int dt e^{i\omega t} W_h(t)$$

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$$\mathcal{R}_h \equiv {}_{\text{out}}\langle \psi | h^{\mu\nu}(x) | \psi \rangle_{\text{out}} \epsilon_{\mu\nu}^-$$

$$|\psi\rangle_{\text{out}} = S |\psi\rangle_{\text{in}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{R}_h = {}_{\text{in}}\langle \psi | S^\dagger h^{\mu\nu}(x) S | \psi \rangle_{\text{in}} \epsilon_{\mu\nu}^- \quad \text{"in-in observable"} \quad |\psi\rangle_{\text{in}} = \Pi_{i=1,2} \left[\int d\Phi(p_i) f_i(p_i) e^{ip_i b_i} \right] |p_1 p_2\rangle_{\text{in}}$$

The radiation observables depends on an amplitude-like object

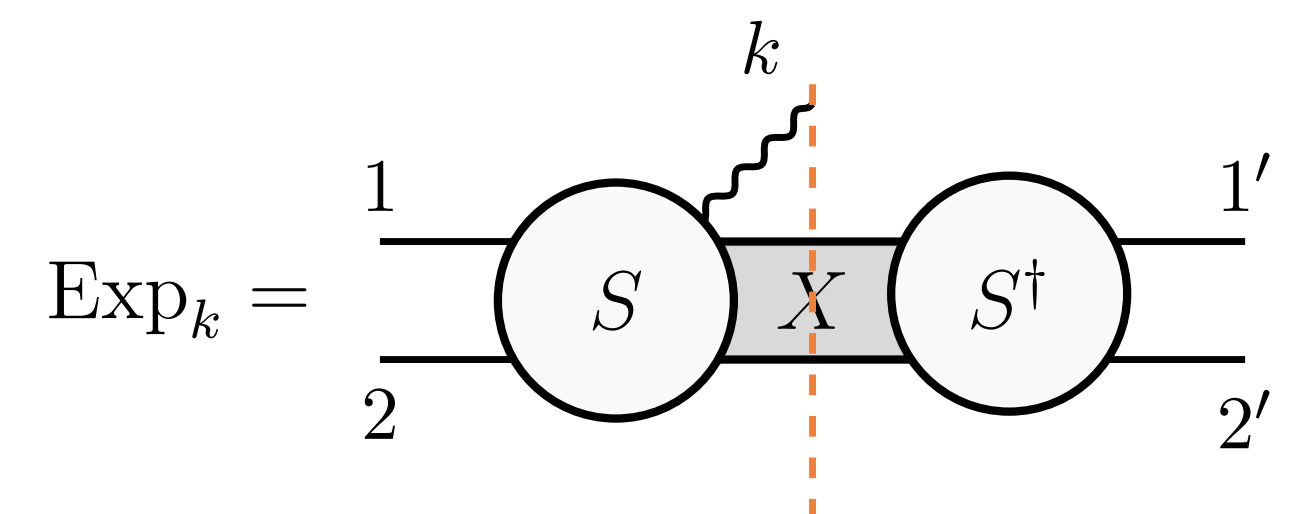
$$h_{\mu\nu} \sim \int d\Phi_k a_{\text{in}}(k) e^{-ikx} + \text{h.c.} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{R}_h \supset {}_{\text{in}}\langle \psi | S^\dagger a_{\text{in}}(k) S | \psi \rangle_{\text{in}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{"generalized amplitude",} \\ \text{distinct from ordinary S matrix elements} \end{array}$$

Caron-Huot, Giroux, Hannesdottir, Mizera
arXiv:2310.12199

$${}_{\text{out}}\langle \psi' | \psi \rangle_{\text{in}} = {}_{\text{in}}\langle \psi' | S^\dagger | \psi \rangle_{\text{in}}$$

It can be related to usual S matrix elements via

$${}_{\text{in}}\langle \psi | S^\dagger a_{\text{in}}(k) S | \psi \rangle_{\text{in}} = \int d\Phi_X \quad {}_{\text{in}}\langle \psi | S^\dagger | X \rangle_{\text{in}} \quad {}_{\text{in}}\langle X | a_{\text{in}}(k) S | \psi \rangle_{\text{in}} = \int d\Phi_X \quad {}_{\text{in}}\langle \psi | S^\dagger | X \rangle_{\text{in}} \quad {}_{\text{in}}\langle X k | S | \psi \rangle_{\text{in}}$$



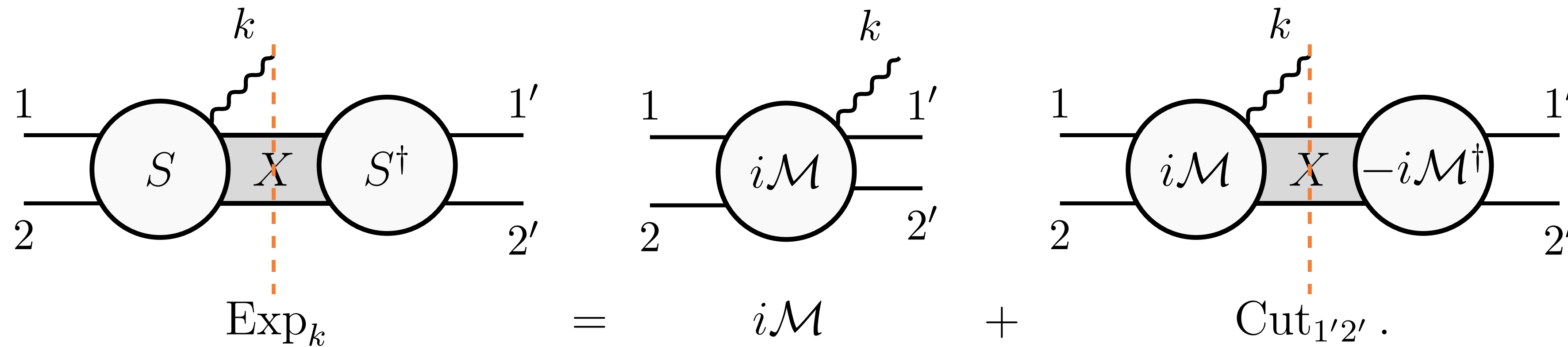
In the following the "in" label dropped to reduce clutter

Quantum Amplitudes and Radiation Observables

$$R_h \sim \int d\Phi_X \text{ in} \langle \psi | S^\dagger | X \rangle_{\text{in}} \text{ in} \langle Xk | S | \psi \rangle_{\text{in}}$$

In terms of usual amplitudes $S = 1 + i\delta^4(p)\mathcal{M}$

$$R_h \sim \langle \psi k | \mathcal{M} | \psi \rangle + \int d\Phi_X \langle \psi | \mathcal{M}^\dagger | X \rangle \langle Xk | \mathcal{M} | \psi \rangle$$



Well defined
in classical limit

Contains
superclassical
terms $\mathcal{M} \sim e^{iS/\hbar}$

Cut terms cancel
superclassical
terms

Quantum Amplitudes and Radiation Observables

Classical limit of R_h is the leading term
under the classical (soft) scaling

momenta of matter
particles representing
classical object

$$p_i \rightarrow \hbar^0 p_i$$

masses of matter particles

$$m_i \rightarrow \hbar^0 m_i$$

momentum transfer
for matter particles
 $q_i = p'_i - p_i$

$$q_i \rightarrow \hbar^1 q_i$$

momenta of radiation quanta

$$k_n \rightarrow \hbar^1 k_n$$

spins of matter particles

$$S_i \rightarrow \hbar^{-1} S_i$$

Waveforms from amplitudes

The rest is an exercise in wave function integration and extracting the leading $1/|x|$ behaviour

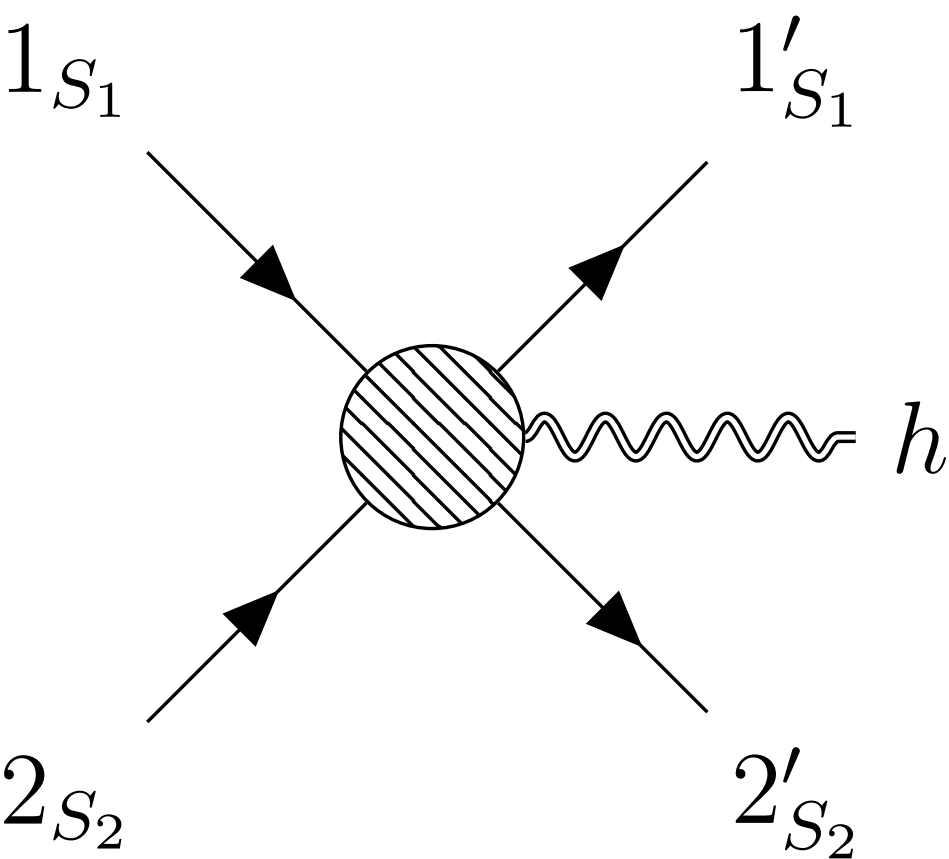
$$|\psi\rangle_{\text{in}} = \int \Pi_{i=1,2} [d\Phi(p_i) f_i(p_i) e^{ip_i b_i}] |p_1 p_2\rangle_{\text{in}}$$

At leading PM order KMOC formalism relates spectral waveform to integral of 5-point amplitude.

$$f_h(\omega) = \frac{1}{64\pi^3 m_1 m_2} \int d\mu \mathcal{M}_{\text{tree}}^{\text{cl}}[p_1 + w_1, p_2 + w_2 \rightarrow p_1, p_2, k]_{|k=\omega n}$$

$$d\mu \equiv \delta^4(w_1 + w_2 - k) \Pi_{i=1,2} [e^{ib_i w_i} d^4 w_i \delta(u_i w_i)]$$

Integration measure



In fact, not full 5-point amplitude but just its certain residues are needed to calculate the integral!

$$R \equiv \text{Res}_{w_2^2 \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{M}_{\text{tree}}^{\text{cl}}[p_1 + w_1, p_2 + w_2 \rightarrow p_1, p_2, k_h]$$

$$f_h(\omega) = -\frac{1}{64\pi^2 m_1 m_2 \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dz e^{ib_1 k + iz(\hat{u}_1 k)b}}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &R(w_2 \rightarrow (\hat{u}_1 k) [\gamma \hat{u}_2 - \hat{u}_1 + z\tilde{b} + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1} \tilde{v}]) + R(w_2 \rightarrow (\hat{u}_1 k) [\gamma \hat{u}_2 - \hat{u}_1 + z\tilde{b} - i\sqrt{z^2 + 1} \tilde{v}]) \\ &+(1 \leftrightarrow 2) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

De Angelis, Novichkov, Gonzo
[arXiv:2309.17429]

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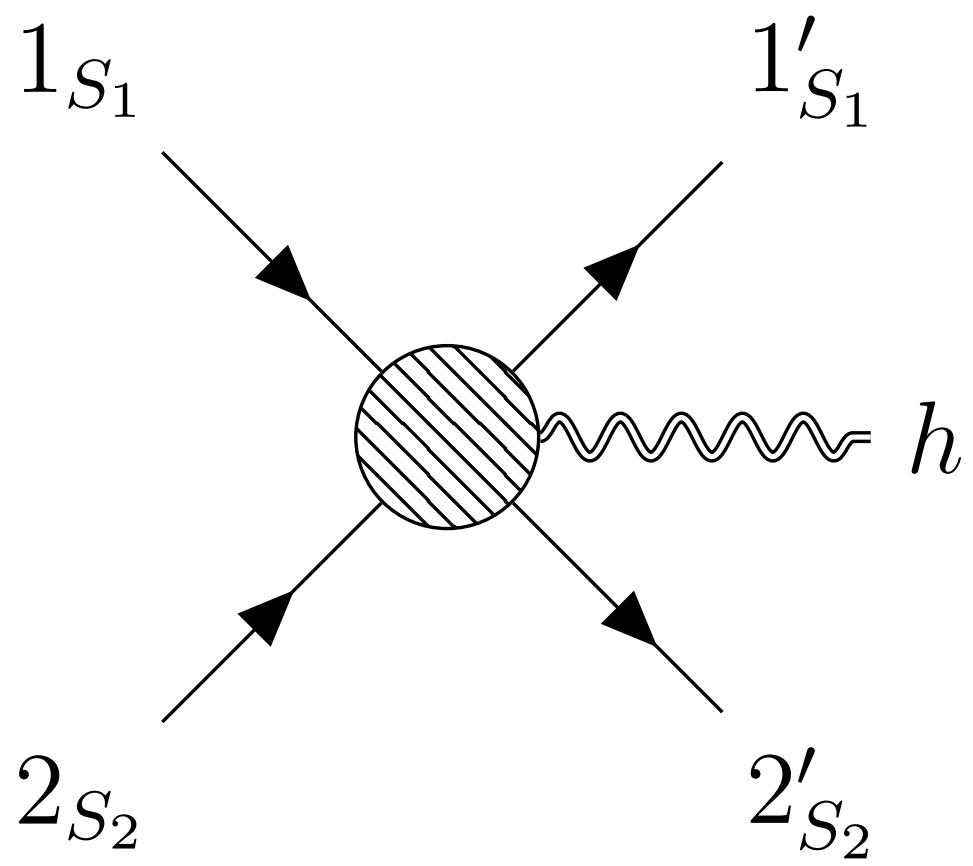
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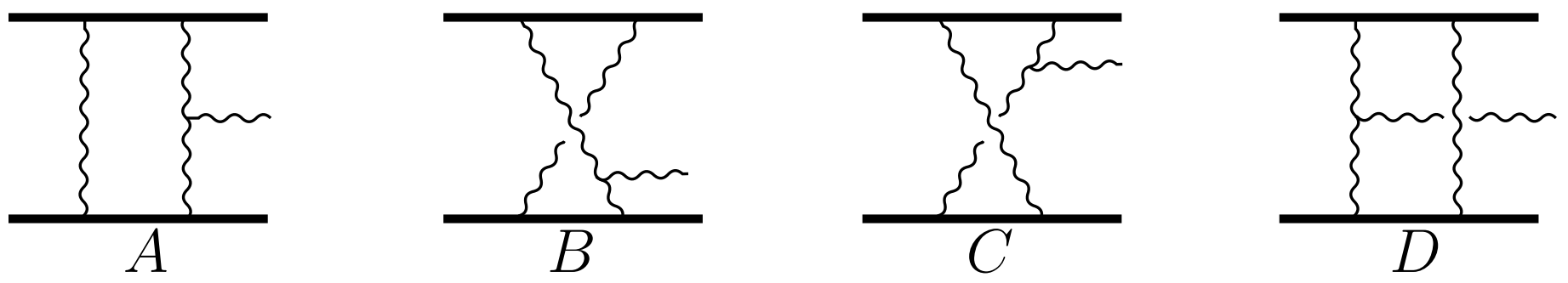
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$d\mu \equiv \delta^4(w_1 + w_2 - k) \Pi_{i=1,2}[e^{ib_i w_i} d^4 w_i \delta(u_i w_i)]$

Integration measure



Calculation can be extended beyond tree level. Current state of the art is one loop



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*On-shell calculation of
gravitational amplitudes*

Quantum Amplitudes and Classical Observables: On-shell methods

Quantum Mechanics + Poincaré
invariance, locality and unitarity



QFT, fields Lagrangians



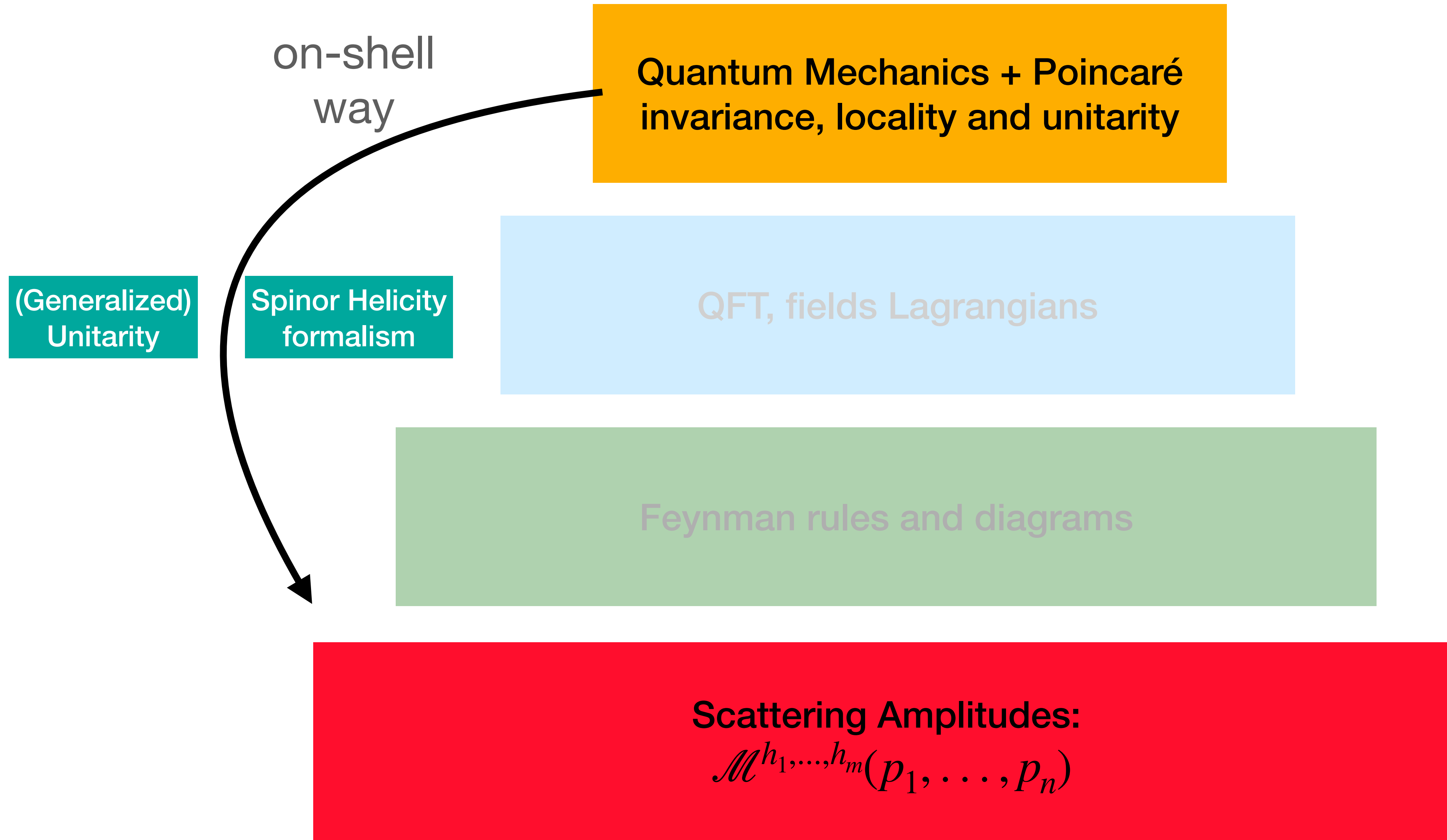
Feynman rules and diagrams



Scattering Amplitudes:

$$\mathcal{M}^{h_1, \dots, h_m}(p_1, \dots, p_n)$$

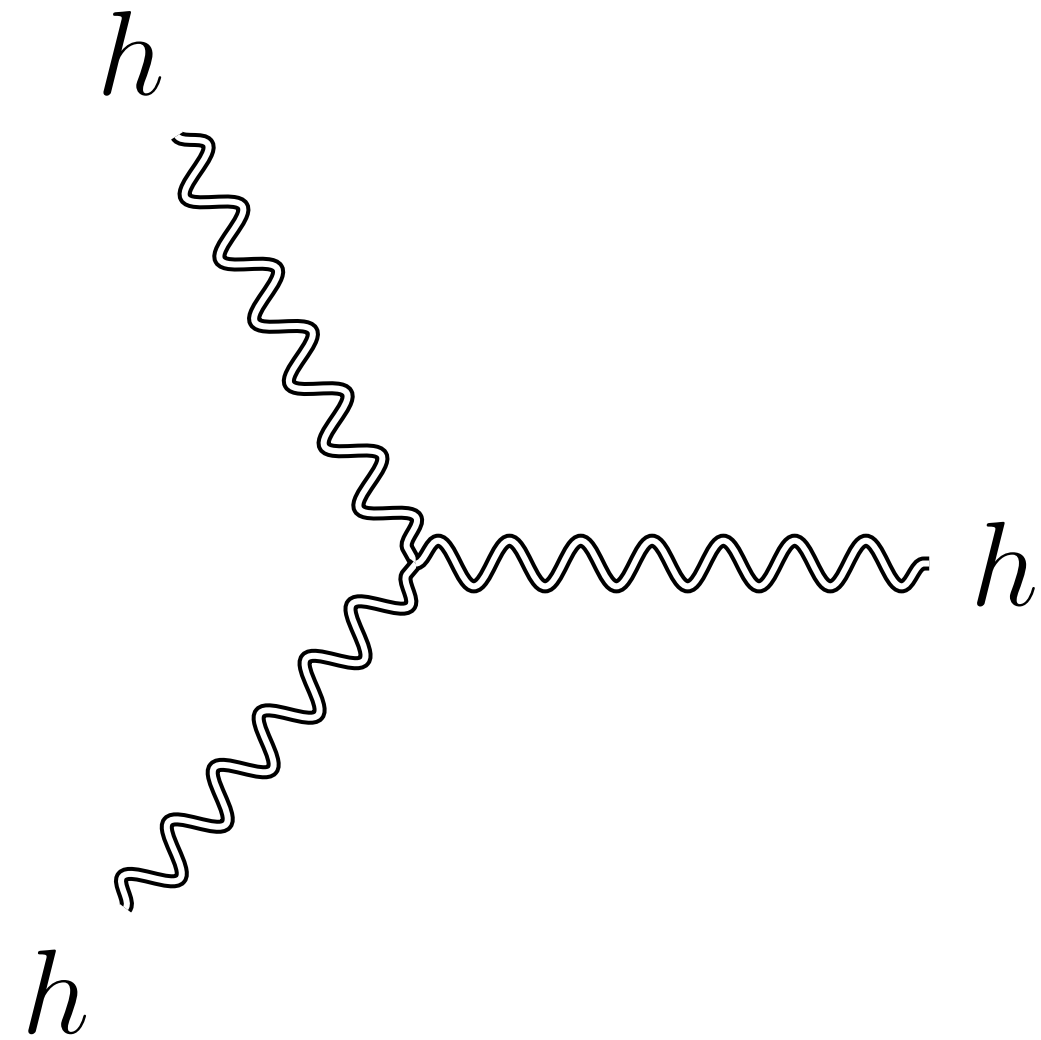
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Basis building block are **on-shell 3-point amplitudes**

Pure general relativity



$$|n\rangle \equiv \lambda_n$$

$$|n] \equiv \tilde{\lambda}_n$$

$$p_n \sigma = \lambda_n \tilde{\lambda}_n$$

,

$$\mathcal{M}(1_h^-, 2_h^-, 3_h^+) = -\frac{1}{M_{Pl}} \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^6}{\langle 13 \rangle^2 \langle 23 \rangle^2}$$
$$\mathcal{M}(1_h^+, 2_h^+, 3_h^-) = -\frac{1}{M_{Pl}} \frac{[12]^6}{[13]^2 [23]^2}.$$



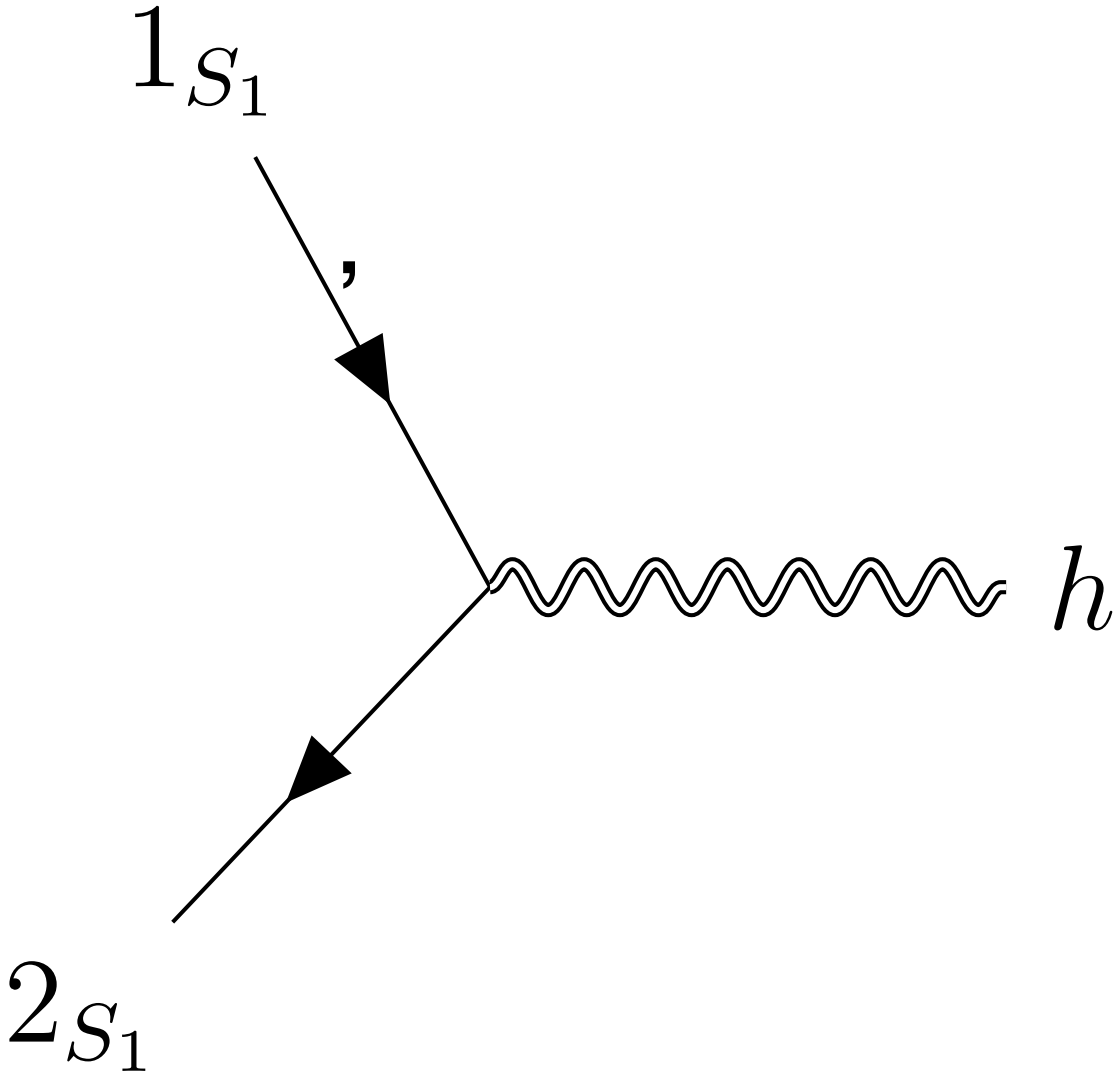
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Spinning matter representing black holes

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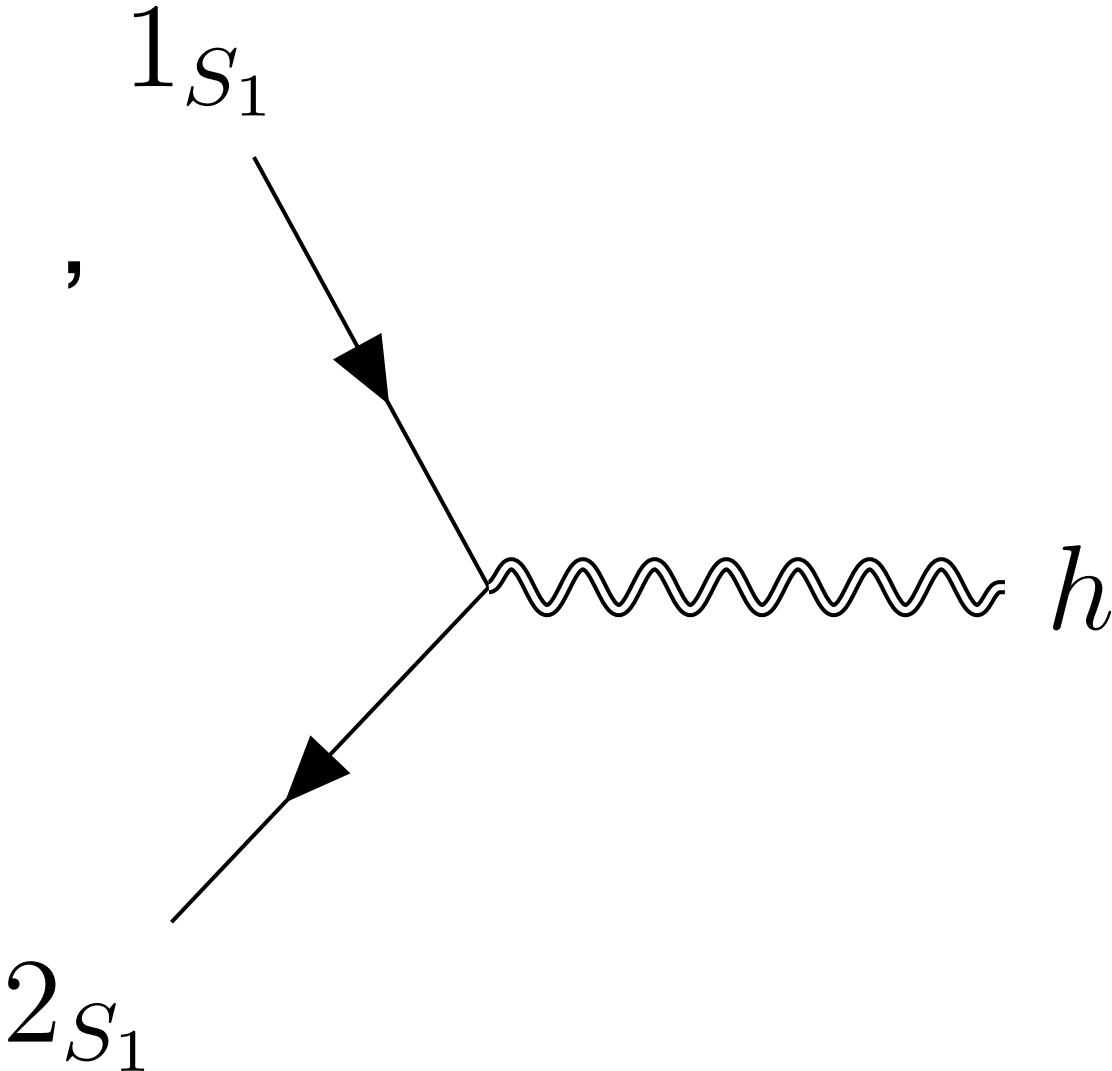
Spinning matter representing black holes

Classical
limit

$$\mathcal{M}^{\text{cl}}[1_\Phi 2_{\bar{\Phi}} 3_h^-] = -\frac{\langle 3 | p_1 | \tilde{\zeta} \rangle^2}{M_{Pl} [3 \tilde{\zeta}]^2} \exp(+p_3 a_1)$$

$$\mathcal{M}^{\text{cl}}[1_\Phi 2_{\bar{\Phi}} 3_h^+] = -\frac{\langle \zeta | p_1 | 3 \rangle^2}{M_{Pl} \langle 3 \zeta \rangle^2} \exp(-p_3 a_1)$$

Spin
vector



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$$|n] \equiv \tilde{\lambda}_n$$

$$p_n \sigma = \lambda_n \tilde{\lambda}_n$$



Quantum Amplitudes and Classical Observables: Compton amplitudes

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}^{\text{cl}}[1_\Phi 2_{\bar{\Phi}} 3_h^-] &= -\frac{\langle 3|p_1|\tilde{\zeta}\rangle^2}{M_{Pl}[\langle 3\tilde{\zeta}\rangle^2]} \exp(+p_3 a_1) & \mathcal{M}(1_h^-, 2_h^-, 3_h^+) &= -\frac{1}{M_{Pl}} \frac{\langle 12\rangle^6}{\langle 13\rangle^2 \langle 23\rangle^2} \\ \mathcal{M}^{\text{cl}}[1_\Phi 2_{\bar{\Phi}} 3_h^+] &= -\frac{\langle \zeta|p_1|3\rangle^2}{M_{Pl}\langle 3\zeta\rangle^2} \exp(-p_3 a_1) & \mathcal{M}(1_h^+, 2_h^+, 3_h^-) &= -\frac{1}{M_{Pl}} \frac{[12]^6}{[13]^2 [23]^2}.\end{aligned}$$

Build higher-point amplitudes (up to contact terms)
from their **residues** at kinematic poles in the **complex** plane

$$\sum_{i=2,3,4} \text{Res}_{(p_1+p_i)^2 \rightarrow 0} \left[\text{Diagram} \right] \Big|_{\text{tree}} = - \left[\text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} + (t \leftrightarrow u) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{M}_U[1_h^- 2_h^+ 3_\Phi 4_{\bar{\Phi}}] = \frac{\langle 1 | p_3 | 2 \rangle^4}{M_{\text{pl}}^2 s(t - m^2)(u - m^2)} e^{a_3 \tilde{x}} \quad \mathcal{M}_U[1_h^- 2_h^- 3_\Phi 4_{\bar{\Phi}}] = \frac{m^4 \langle 12 \rangle^4}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2 s(t - m^2)(u - m^2)} e^{a_3 q}$$

Contact terms start beyond quartic order in spin

$$q = p_1 + p_2$$

$$\tilde{x}^\mu \equiv \frac{i\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(\lambda_1\sigma^\nu\tilde{\lambda}_2)p_3^\alpha p_4^\beta}{(\lambda_1 p_3 \sigma \tilde{\lambda}_2)}$$

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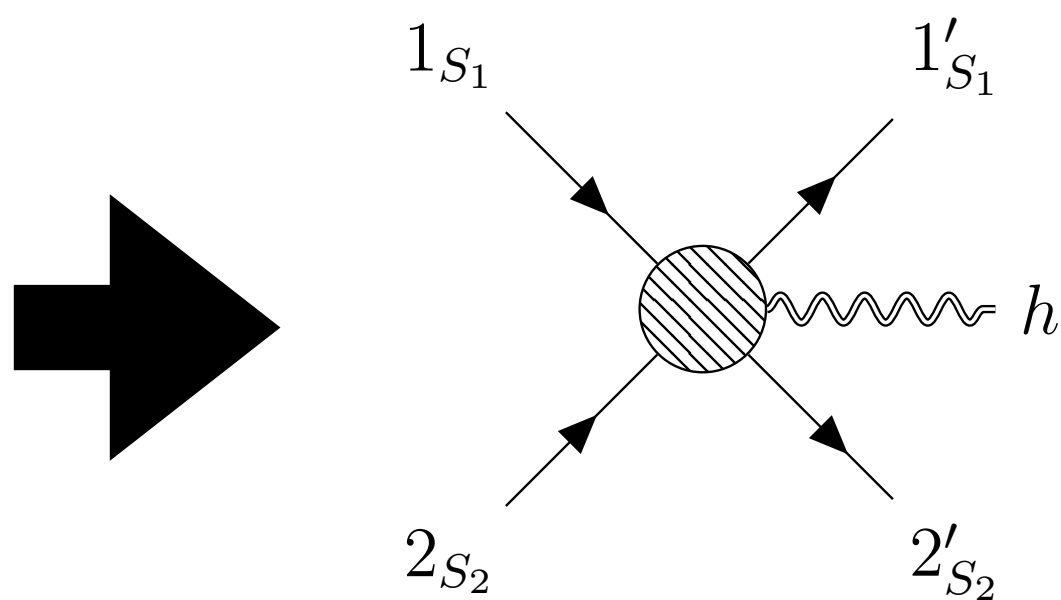
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Build higher-point amplitudes (up to contact terms)
from their **residues** at kinematic poles in the **complex** plane



$$\begin{aligned} R^s &\equiv \text{Res}_{w_2^2 \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{M}[(p_1 + w_1)_{\Phi_1} (p_2 + w_2)_{\Phi_2} (-p_1)_{\bar{\Phi}_1} (-p_2)_{\bar{\Phi}_2} (-k)_h^s] \\ &= - \sum_{s'} \mathcal{M}[(-k)_h^s (w_2)_{h'}^{s'} (p_1 + w_1)_{\Phi_1} (-p_1)_{\bar{\Phi}_1}] \mathcal{M}[(-w_2)_h^{-s'} (p_2 + w_2)_{\Phi_2} (-p_2)_{\bar{\Phi}_2}] \end{aligned}$$

$$R_{(0)}^- = \frac{[2(p_1 p_2) \Lambda[w_2, p_1] - m_1^2 \Lambda[w_2, p_2] + 2(p_1 k) \Lambda[p_1, p_2]]^2 + m_1^4 \Lambda[w_2, p_2]^2}{8M_{Pl}^3 (w_2 k) (p_1 k)^2}$$

$$\Lambda[a, b, \dots] \equiv (\lambda_k a \sigma b \bar{\sigma} \dots \lambda_k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{(1)}^- &= -\frac{1}{8M_{Pl}^3 (w_2 k) (p_1 k)^2} \left\{ [a_1 k + a_1 w_2 + a_2 w_2] [2(p_1 p_2) \Lambda[w_2, p_1] - m_1^2 \Lambda[w_2, p_2] + 2(p_1 k) \Lambda[p_1, p_2]]^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + m_1^4 [a_1 k - a_1 w_2 - a_2 w_2] \Lambda[w_2, p_2]^2 - 2(p_1 k) [2(p_1 p_2) \Lambda[w_2, p_1] - m_1^2 \Lambda[w_2, p_2] + 2(p_1 k) \Lambda[p_1, p_2]] \Lambda[p_1, p_2, w_2, a_1] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$R_{(2)}^- = \dots$$

$$q = p_1 + p_2$$

$$\tilde{x}^\mu \equiv \frac{i\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} (\lambda_1 \sigma^\nu \tilde{\lambda}_2) p_3^\alpha p_4^\beta}{(\lambda_1 p_3 \sigma \tilde{\lambda}_2)}$$

Quantum Amplitudes and Classical Observables: gravitational waves

Waveform in GR calculated as expansion in spin

$$W_h = W_h^{(0)} + W_h^{(1)} + \dots$$

$$T_i \equiv \frac{t - b_i n}{(\hat{u}_i n) b}$$

Kovacs Thorne
Astrophys. J. 217 (1977) 252
Astrophys. J. 224 (1978) 62.

At leading order

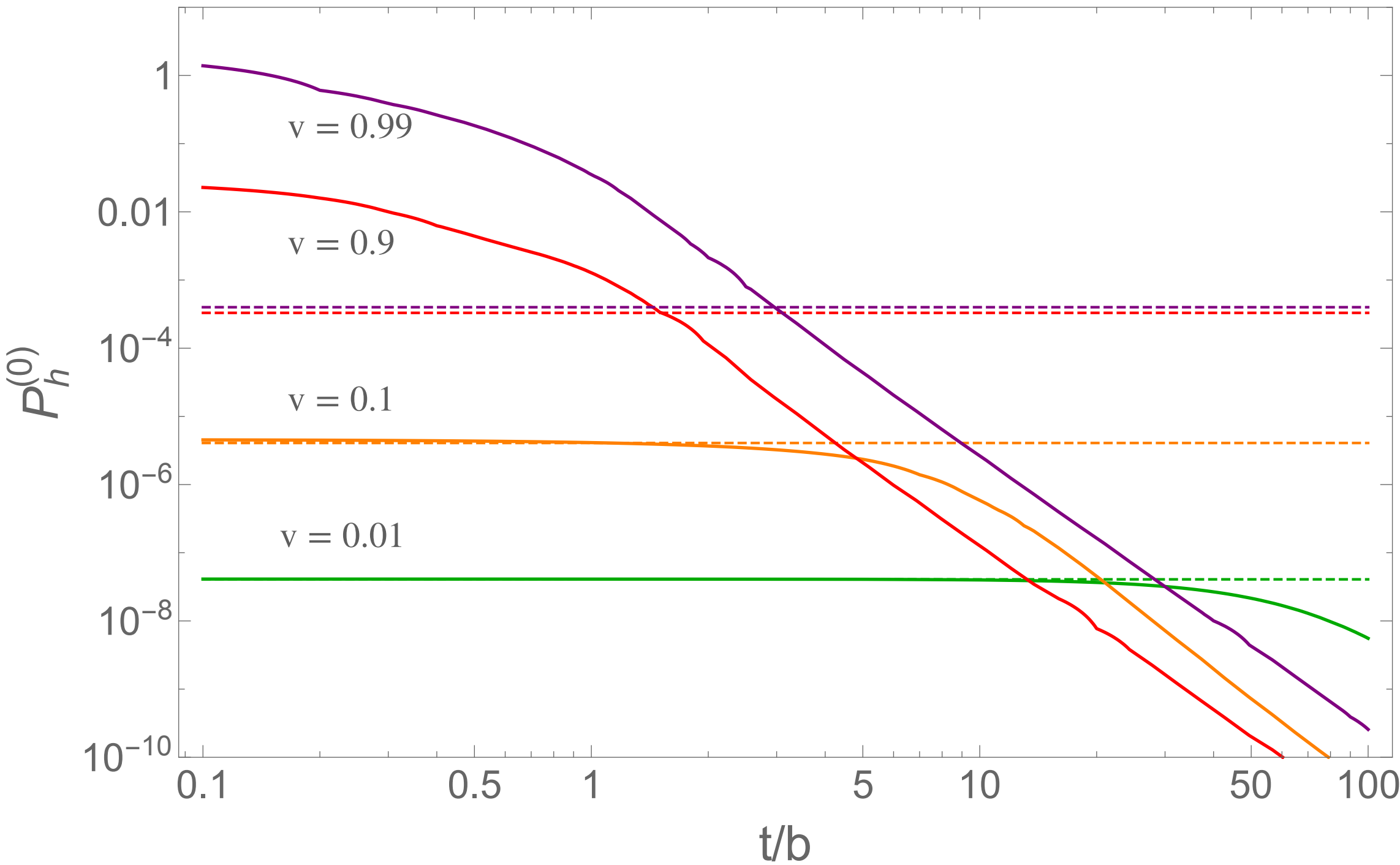
$$W_h^{(0)} = -\frac{m_1 m_2}{512 \pi^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^3 b (\hat{u}_1 n)^2 \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \mathcal{R} \left\{ \frac{(\mathcal{F}_1^-(z))^2 + (\mathcal{F}_2^-(z))^2}{\gamma(\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + z(\tilde{b} n) + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}(\tilde{v} n)} \right\}_{|z=T_1} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2)$$

$$\mathcal{F}_1^-(z) = \langle n | (\hat{u}_1 \hat{u}_2 + 2\gamma z \hat{u}_1 \tilde{b} + z \tilde{b} \hat{u}_2 + 2i\gamma \sqrt{z^2 + 1} \hat{u}_1 \tilde{v} + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1} \tilde{v} \hat{u}_2) | n \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{F}_2^-(z) = \langle n | (\hat{u}_1 - z \tilde{b} - i\sqrt{z^2 + 1} \tilde{v}) \hat{u}_2 | n \rangle$$

Emitted power in gravitational waves

$$\frac{dP_h}{d\Omega} = 2 |\partial_t W_h|^2$$



For $|t| \lesssim b/v$ in the rest frame of particle 2

$$\partial_t W_h^{(0)} = -e^{-2i\phi} \frac{m_1 m_2}{16 \pi^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^3 b^2} \left\{ (\hat{\mathbf{v}} \hat{\mathbf{n}})(\hat{\mathbf{b}} \hat{\mathbf{n}}) + i(\hat{\mathbf{v}} \times \hat{\mathbf{b}}) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} \right\} v + O(v^2)$$

Emitted power

$$\frac{dP_h^{(0)}}{d\Omega} = \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2}{128 \pi^4 M_{\text{Pl}}^6 b^4} \left[(\hat{\mathbf{v}} \hat{\mathbf{n}})^2 (\hat{\mathbf{b}} \hat{\mathbf{n}})^2 + (\hat{\mathbf{v}} \times \hat{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})^2 \right] v^2 + \mathcal{O}(v^3)$$

velocity suppression

Total emitted power

$$P_h^{(0)} = \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2}{80 \pi^3 M_{\text{Pl}}^6 b^4} v^2$$

Radiation in scalar-tensor theories

Scalar-Tensor Theories

- **Scalar-tensor theories** have long been a popular direction to study **extensions of GR**
- They consist of gravity theories with the introduction of an additional **massless scalar** degree of freedom

$$S_{GR}[g_{\mu\nu}] \rightarrow S_{ST}[g_{\mu\nu}, \phi]$$

Example: Scalar Gauss-Bonnet and Dynamical Chern Simons gravity

$$S = \int d^4x \frac{M_{Pl}^2}{2} \sqrt{-g} R + S_{SGB,DCS}[\phi, g_{\mu\nu}] + S_m[\Psi_m, \mathcal{A}(\phi)g_{\mu\nu}]$$

Gauss Bonnet invariant

$$R^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - 4R^{\mu\nu}R_{\mu\nu} + R^2$$

Chern Simons invariant

$$R^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}\tilde{R}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \quad , \quad \tilde{R}^\mu_{\nu\rho\sigma} = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{\rho\sigma}^{\alpha\beta}R^\mu_{\nu\alpha\beta}$$

**GW observations
constrain them!**

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[Silva, Holgado, Cárdenas-Avendaño, Yunes]

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Experimental window:

$$\frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{\Lambda} \lesssim 0.22km \quad , \quad \frac{\sqrt{\tilde{\alpha}}}{\Lambda} \lesssim 9.5km$$

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$$S_{SGB,DCS} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{Pl}^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(f(\phi) \mathcal{G} + \tilde{f}(\phi) R \tilde{R} \right) + \frac{1}{2} (\partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi) \right]$$

$$f(\phi) = \text{const} + \alpha \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}} + O(\phi^2)$$

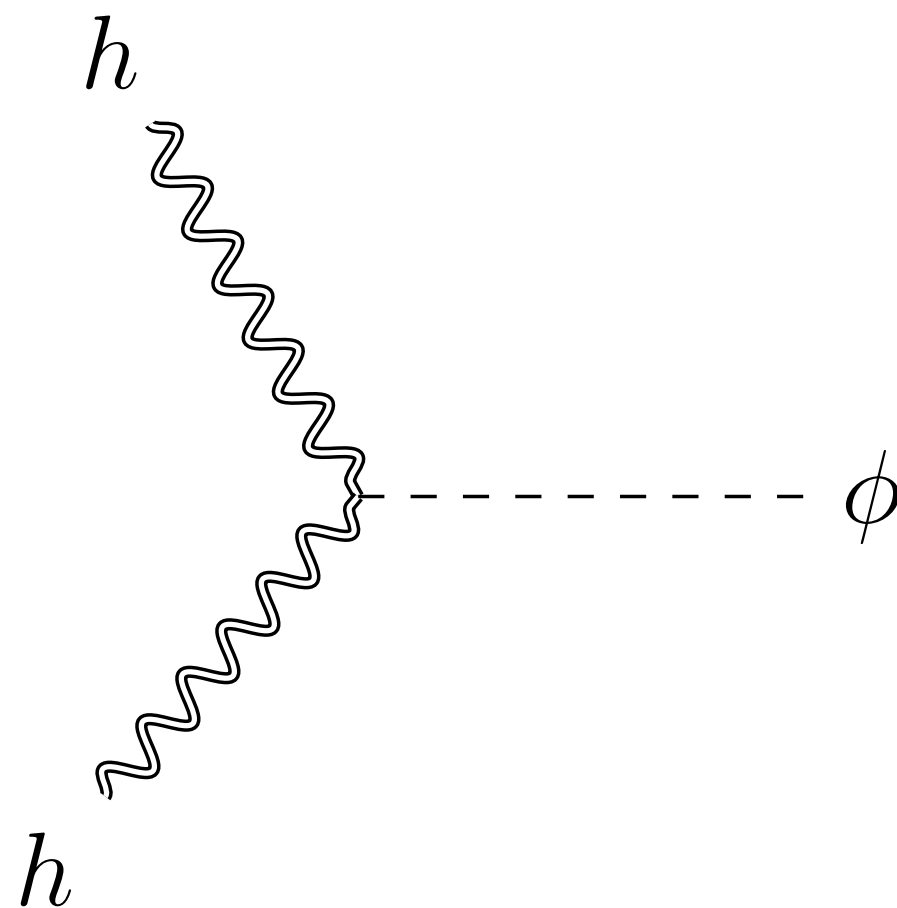
$$\tilde{f}(\phi) = \text{const} + \tilde{\alpha} \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}} + O(\phi^2)$$

Scalar-Tensor Theories: shift-symmetric limit

$$\bullet \quad S_{SGB,DCS} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{Pl}^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(f(\phi) \mathcal{G} + \tilde{f}(\phi) R \tilde{R} \right) + \frac{1}{2} (\partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi) \right]$$

$$f(\phi) = \text{const} + \alpha \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}} + \mathcal{O}(\phi^2) \quad \tilde{f}(\phi) = \text{const} + \tilde{\alpha} \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}} + \mathcal{O}(\phi^2)$$

The linear term in ϕ induces a cubic interaction between scalar and gravity corresponding to 3-point amplitudes



$$\mathcal{M} [1_h^- 2_h^- 3_\phi] = \frac{2\hat{\alpha}}{\Lambda^2 M_{pl}} \langle 12 \rangle^4$$

$$\mathcal{M} [1_h^+ 2_h^+ 3_\phi] = \frac{2\hat{\alpha}^*}{\Lambda^2 M_{pl}} [12]^4$$

$$\mathcal{M} [1_h^- 2_h^+ 3_\phi] = 0$$

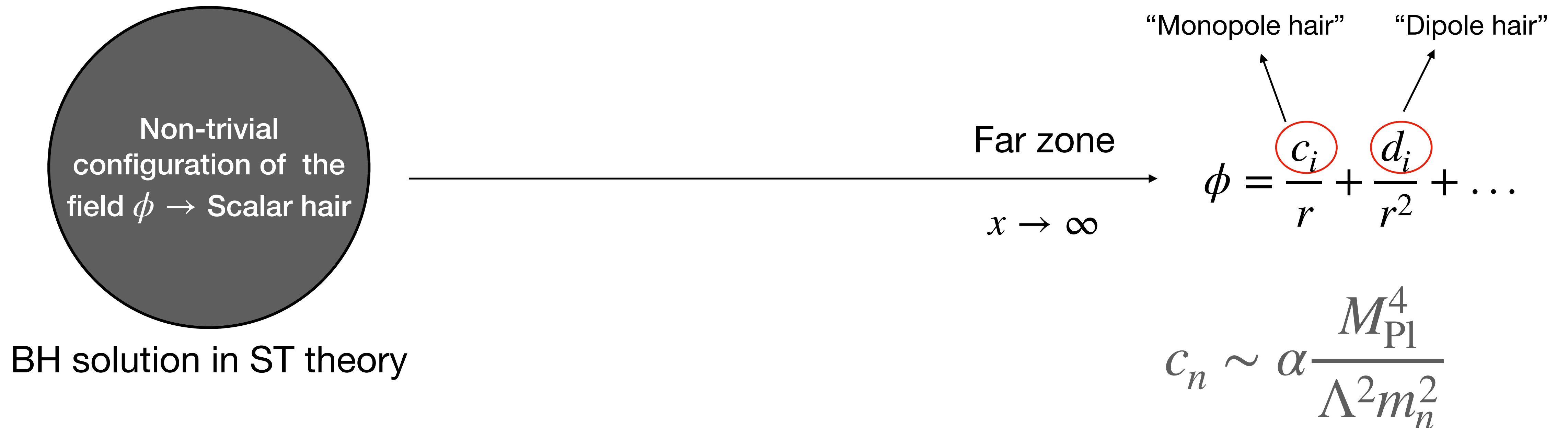
$$\hat{\alpha} \equiv \alpha + i\tilde{\alpha}$$

However in large classes of scalar-tensor theories the leading corrections to gravitational radiation comes from a different interaction...

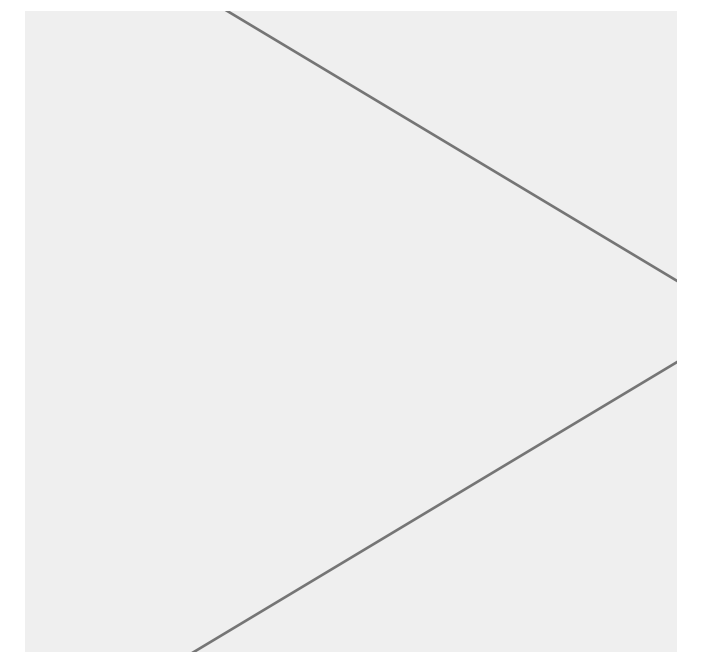
Scalar-Tensor Theories: scalar hair

Compact objects can acquire scalar hair in scalar-tensor theories

This is the case for black holes in SGB and DCS



How can we model this behaviour with amplitudes?



Scalar-Tensor Theories: scalar hair on shell

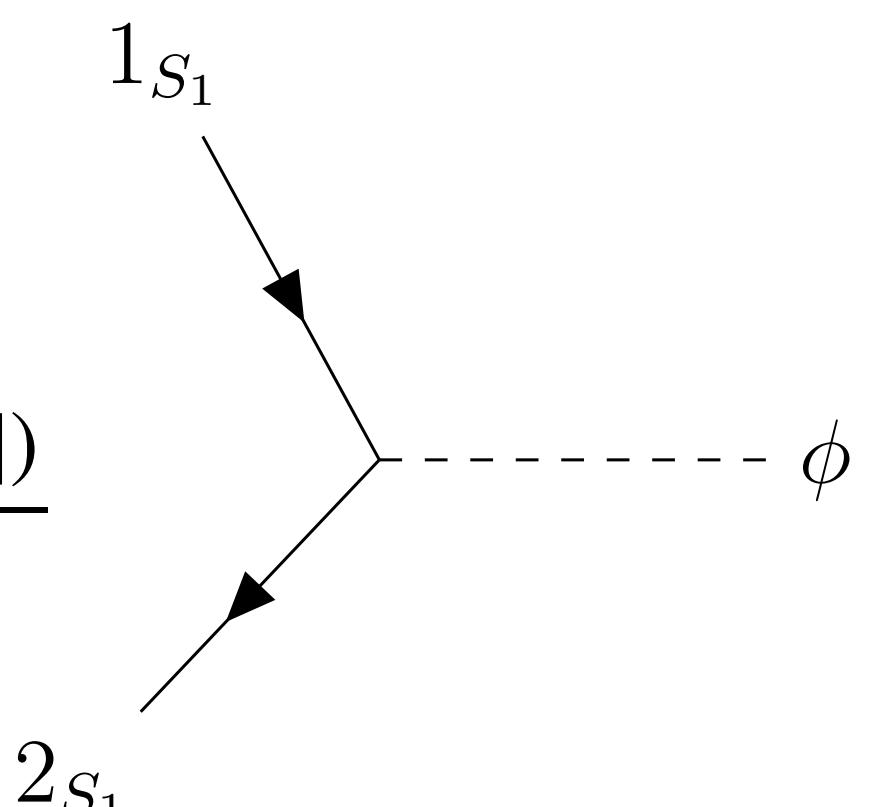
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We model the black hole as a point-particle interacting with the scalar field via an effective metric (scalar conformal coupling)

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \exp\left[C\left(\frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}}\right)\right] g_{\mu\nu}$$

3-point amplitudes for arbitrary spinning black holes:

$$\mathcal{M}_{3,bos.}[1_{\Phi_n}, 2_{\bar{\Phi}_n}, 3_{\phi}] = -\frac{c_n}{M_{Pl}} \frac{\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{S_n} [\mathbf{21}]^{S_n}}{m_n^{2S_n-2}}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{3,ferm.}[1_{\Psi_n}, 2_{\bar{\Psi}_n}, 3_{\phi}] = -\frac{c_n}{M_{Pl}} \frac{\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{S_n-1/2} [\mathbf{21}]^{S_n-1/2} (\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle + [\mathbf{21}])}{m_n^{2S-2}}$$


$$\exp\left[C\left(\frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}}\right)\right] \approx 1 + c \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}}$$

In the classical limit
conformal coupling is spin-independent!

$$\mathcal{M}^{cl}[1_{\Phi_n}, 2_{\bar{\Phi}_n}, 3_{\phi}] = -\frac{c_n m_n^2}{M_{Pl}}$$

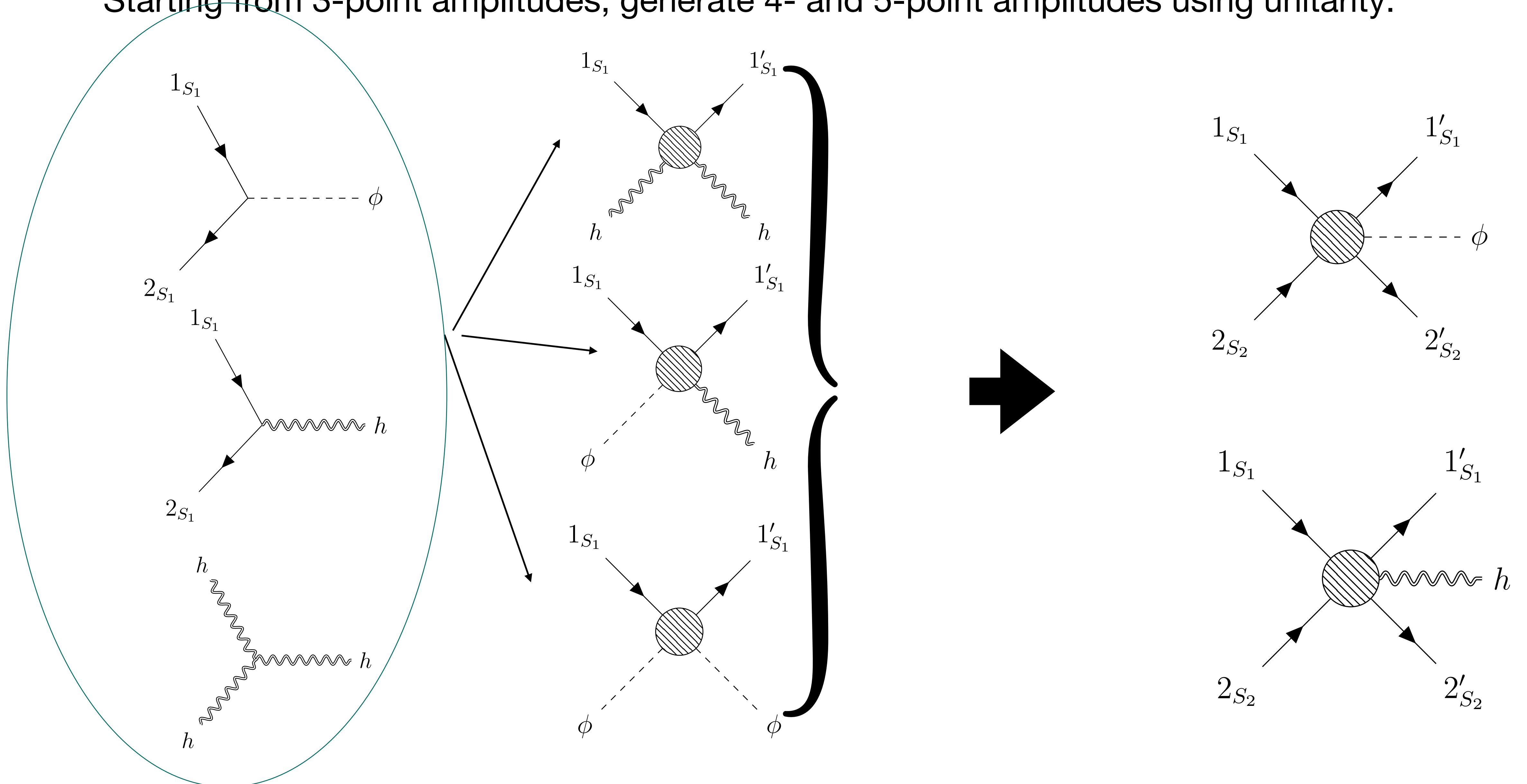
At the lagrangian level for any spin
coupling can be obtained by mass redefinition:

$$m \rightarrow e^{C/2} m$$

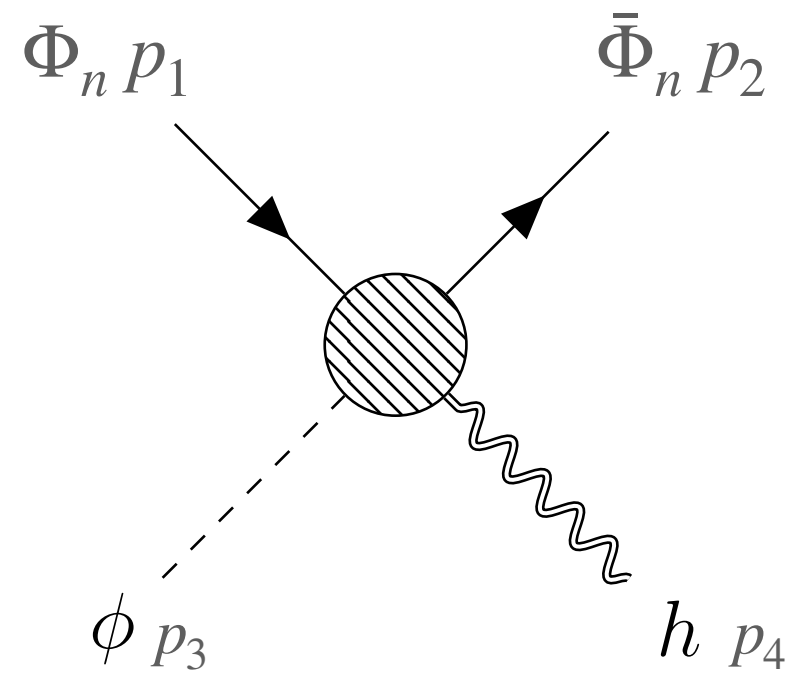
Classical conformal coupling
maps to monopole charge
in scalar tensor theory

Scalar-Tensor Theories: amplitudes

Starting from 3-point amplitudes, generate 4- and 5-point amplitudes using unitarity:

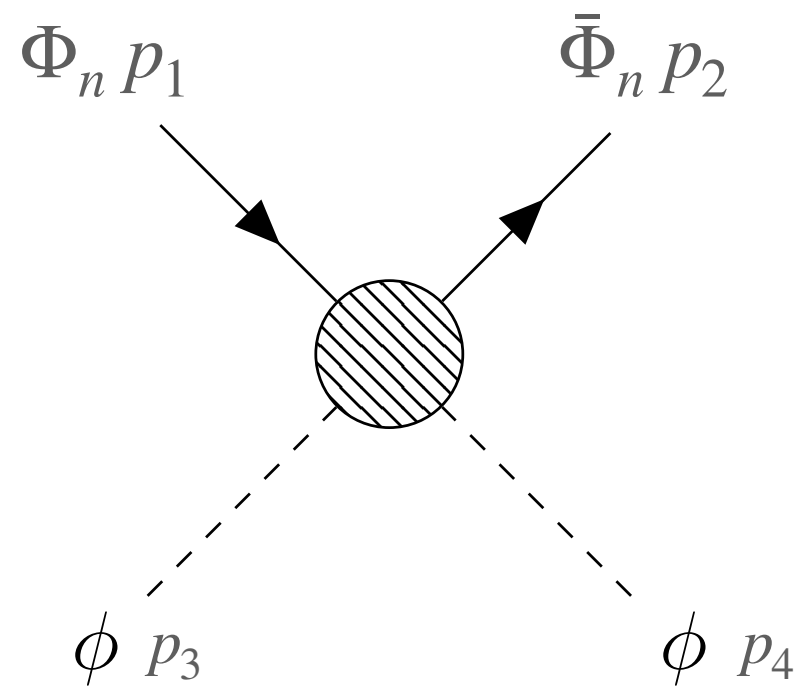


Scalar-Tensor Theories: amplitudes



$$\mathcal{M}_U^{\text{cl}}[1_{\Phi_n} 2_{\bar{\Phi}_n} 3_{\phi} 4_h^-] = -\frac{c_n m_n^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \frac{\langle 4 | p_3 p_1 | 4 \rangle^2}{s(t - m_n^2)^2}$$

Contact terms start at quadratic order in spin



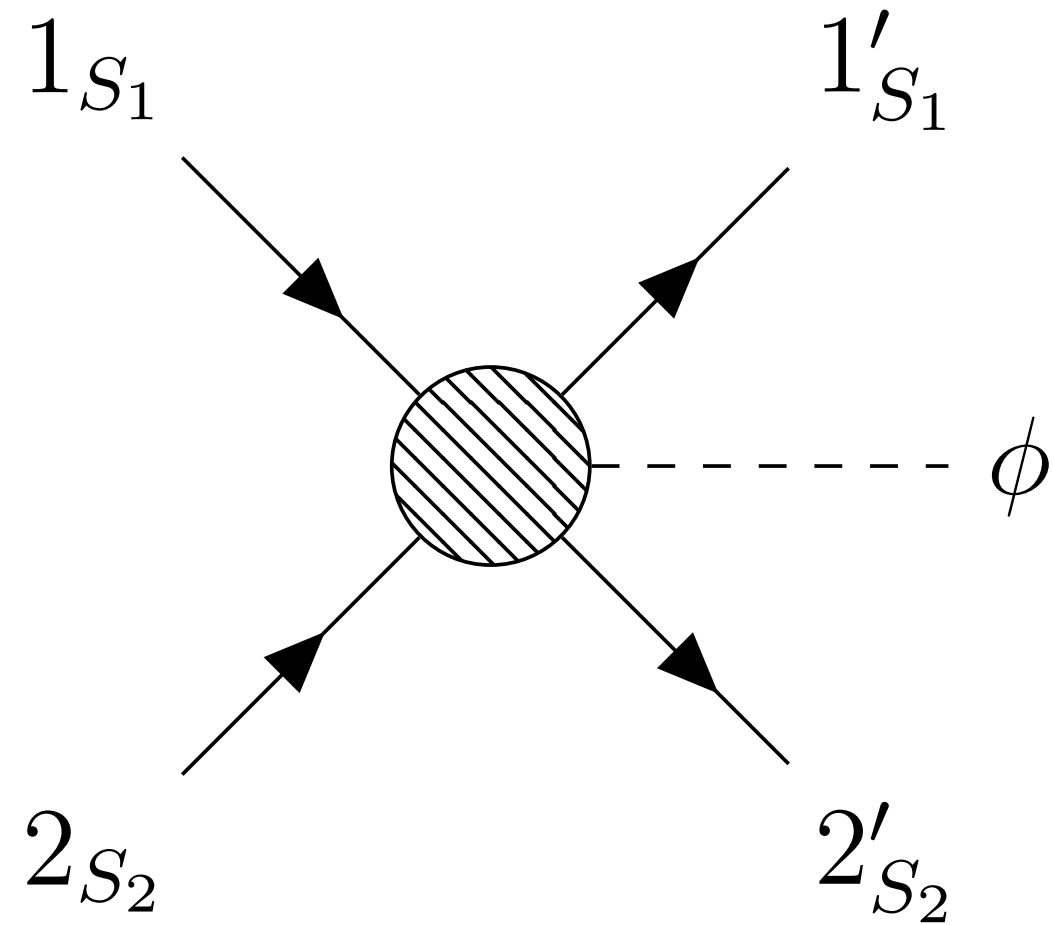
$$\mathcal{M}_U^{\text{cl}}[1_{\Phi_n} 2_{\bar{\Phi}_n} 3_{\phi} 4_{\phi}] = \frac{t - m_n^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2 s} \left\{ -(t - m_n^2) \cosh(q \cdot a_n) + 2i \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_1^\mu p_3^\nu p_4^\rho a_n^\sigma \frac{\sinh(q \cdot a_n)}{q \cdot a_n} \right\} + \mathcal{O}(c_n^2)$$

Contact terms start at zeroth-order in spin

$$\mathcal{M}_C^{\text{cl},(0)}[1_{\Phi_n} 2_{\bar{\Phi}_n} 3_{\phi} 4_{\phi}] = \frac{C_n^{(0)} m_n^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_C^{\text{cl},(1)}[1_{\Phi_n} 2_{\bar{\Phi}_n} 3_{\phi} 4_{\phi}] = -i \frac{C_n^{(1)} m_n^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} (q a_n)$$

Scalar-Tensor Theories: amplitudes



$$R_X = - \sum_{i=h,\phi} \mathcal{M}_X^{\text{cl}}[(p_1 + w_1)_{\Phi_1}(-p_1)_{\bar{\Phi}_1}(-k)_{\phi}(w_2)_i] \mathcal{M}^{\text{cl}}[(p_2 + w_2)_{\Phi_2}(-p_2)_{\bar{\Phi}_2}(-w_2)_i]$$

One finds the pole part of the residue to all orders in spin, plus contact terms in systematic expansion in spin vector

Part originating from pole terms in 4-point amplitude

$$R_U = \frac{2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^3} \left\{ \frac{(kw_2)[(p_1 p_2)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_1^2 m_2^2] + m_2^2(p_1 k)^2 - 2(p_1 p_2)(p_1 k)(p_2 k)}{(p_1 k)^2} c_1 m_1^2 \cosh(w_2 a_2) \right. \\ \left. + i \frac{c_1 m_1^2 (p_1 p_2)}{(p_1 k)^2} p_1^\mu p_2^\nu k^\rho w_2^\sigma \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \sinh(w_2 a_2) - 2 \frac{c_2 m_2^2 (p_1 k)^2 \cosh(w_1 a_1) + c_1 m_1^2 (p_2 k)^2 \cosh(w_2 a_2)}{w_1^2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2i \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_1^\mu k^\nu w_2^\rho}{w_1^2} \left[a_1^\sigma (p_1 k) \frac{c_2 m_2^2 \sinh(w_1 a_1)}{w_1 a_1} + p_2^\sigma \frac{c_1 m_1^2 (p_2 k)}{p_1 k} \sinh(w_2 a_2) \right] \right\}$$

Part originating from contact terms in 4-point amplitude

$$R_C^{(0)} = \frac{C_1^{(0)} c_2 m_1^2 m_2^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^3}$$

$$R_C^{(1)} = -i \frac{C_1^{(1)} c_2 m_1^2 m_2^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^3} (w_1 a_1)$$

$$R_C^{(2)} = \dots$$

Scalar-Tensor Theories: scalar waveforms

Scalar radiation observable

$$\mathcal{R}_\phi \equiv {}_{\text{out}}\langle \psi | \phi(x) | \psi \rangle_{\text{out}}$$

Scalar waveform

$$\mathcal{R}_X(x) = \frac{W_X(t)}{|\boldsymbol{x}|} \qquad |\boldsymbol{x}| \rightarrow \infty \qquad t \equiv x^0 - |\boldsymbol{x}|$$

Using KMOC one can relate the scalar waveshape to the residues of the 5-point scalar emission amplitude

$$\mathbf{R} \equiv \text{Res}_{w_2^2 \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{M}_{\text{tree}}^{\text{cl}}[p_1 + w_1, p_2 + w_2 \rightarrow p_1, p_2, k_\phi]$$

$$f_\phi(\omega) = -\frac{1}{64\pi^2 m_1 m_2 \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dz e^{ib_1 k + iz(\hat{u}_1 k)b}}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \right.$$

$$R(w_2 \rightarrow (\hat{u}_1 k) [\gamma \hat{u}_2 - \hat{u}_1 + z \tilde{b} + i \sqrt{z^2 + 1} \tilde{v}]) + R(w_2 \rightarrow (\hat{u}_1 k) [\gamma \hat{u}_2 - \hat{u}_1 + z \tilde{b} - i \sqrt{z^2 + 1} \tilde{v}]) \Big\} \qquad k = \omega n$$

$$+(1 \leftrightarrow 2)$$

From this, waveform is calculated via inverse Fourier transform

$$W_\phi(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} e^{-i\omega t} f_\phi(\omega)$$

Scalar-Tensor Theories: scalar waveforms

$$W_\phi = \underbrace{W_\phi^{(0)}}_{\text{green circle}} + W_\phi^{(1)} + \dots$$

$$T_i \equiv \frac{t - b_i n}{(\hat{u}_i n) b} \quad \hat{u}_i = \frac{u_i}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2}}$$

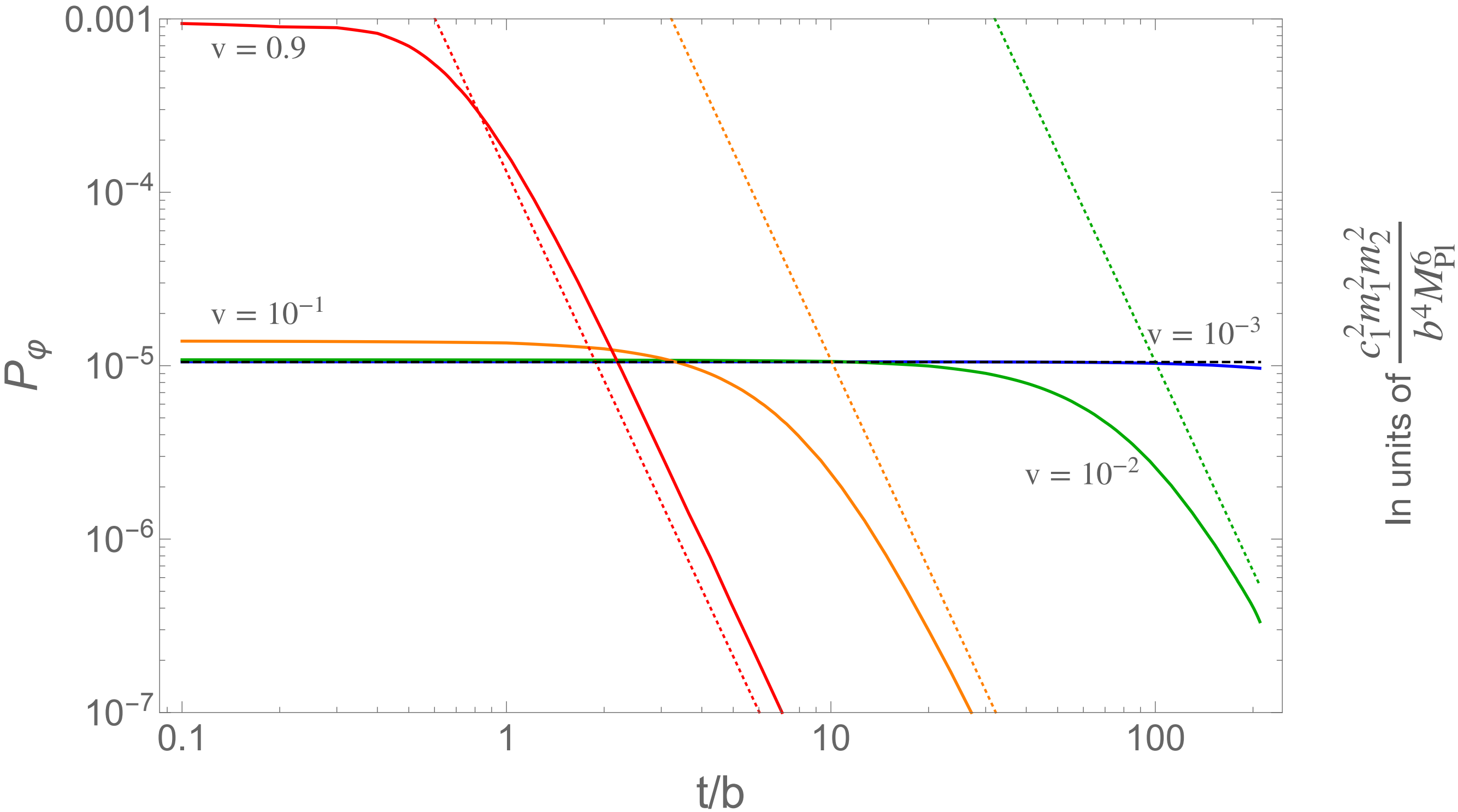
LO Scalar Waveforms-Spinless part:

$$W_\phi^{(0)} = - \frac{m_1 m_2}{32 \pi^2 M_{Pl}^3 \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} (\hat{u}_1 n)^2 b} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + T_1^2}} \left\{ \frac{(\gamma^2 - 1) [c_1 (\hat{u}_2 n)^2 + c_2 (\hat{u}_1 n)^2] [\gamma (\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + (\tilde{b} n) T_1]}{[-(\hat{u}_1 n) + \gamma (\hat{u}_2 n) + (\tilde{b} n) T_1]^2 + (\tilde{v} n)^2 (1 + T_1^2)} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{c_1}{2} \frac{(\hat{u}_1 n) + (2\gamma^2 - 3)\gamma (\hat{u}_2 n) - (2\gamma^2 - 1)(\tilde{b} n) T_1}{\gamma^2 - 1} + \frac{C_1^{(0)}}{2} c_2 (\hat{u}_1 n) \right\} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2)$$

Contact term
in 4-point matter-scalar
scattering amplitude

Emitted power

$$\frac{dP_\phi}{d\Omega} = (\partial_t W_\phi)^2$$



Scalar-Tensor Theories: scalar waveforms

$$W_\phi = W_\phi^{(0)} + W_\phi^{(1)} + \dots$$

LO Scalar Waveforms-Spinless part

$$T_i \equiv \frac{t - b_i n}{(\hat{u}_i n) b} \quad \hat{u}_i = \frac{u_i}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} \quad \gamma = u_1 u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2}}$$

$$W_\phi^{(0)} = - \frac{m_1 m_2}{32 \pi^2 M_{Pl}^3 \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} (\hat{u}_1 n)^2 b} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + T_1^2}} \left\{ \frac{(\gamma^2 - 1) [c_1 (\hat{u}_2 n)^2 + c_2 (\hat{u}_1 n)^2] [\gamma (\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + (\tilde{b} n) T_1]}{[-(\hat{u}_1 n) + \gamma (\hat{u}_2 n) + (\tilde{b} n) T_1]^2 + (\tilde{v} n)^2 (1 + T_1^2)} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{c_1}{2} \frac{(\hat{u}_1 n) + (2\gamma^2 - 3)\gamma (\hat{u}_2 n) - (2\gamma^2 - 1)(\tilde{b} n) T_1}{\gamma^2 - 1} + \frac{C_1^{(0)}}{2} c_2 (\hat{u}_1 n) \right\} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2)$$

Center-of-mass frame, non-relativistic limit of small relative velocity v .
PN expansion of the waveform independent of contact terms at this order

$$W_\phi^{(0)} = \frac{m_1 m_2 (c_1 - c_2)}{64 \pi^2 M_{Pl}^3 b} \left\{ - \frac{(\hat{\mathbf{v}} \hat{\mathbf{n}})}{v} + (\hat{\mathbf{b}} \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \frac{t}{b} \right\} + O(v)$$

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Emitted power in the limit of small velocity

Agreement with existing classical results for SGB!

$$P_\phi^{(0)} = \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2}{3072 \pi^3 M_{Pl}^6 b^4} (c_1 - c_2)^2 + O(v) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Kepler's law}} \quad b^{-1} \rightarrow \frac{8 \pi M_{Pl}^2 v^2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$P_\phi^{(0)} = \frac{4 \pi m_1^2 m_2^2 M_{Pl}^2 (c_1 - c_2)^2}{3 (m_1 + m_2)^4} v^8 + O(v^9)$$

In particular, $\frac{P_\phi^{(0)}}{P_h(0)} \sim \frac{1}{v^2}$

Scalar-Tensor Theories: scalar waveforms

Comparison beyond leading PN order for quasi-circular orbits

Amplitudes

Classical

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$$P_{\phi}^{(0)} = \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2}{3072 \pi^3 M_{\text{Pl}}^6 b^4} (c_1 - c_2)^2 + \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2}{\pi^3 M_{\text{Pl}}^6 b^4} \left[\frac{(c_1 + c_2)^2}{3840} + \frac{(c_1 + c_2)(c_1 - c_2)}{3840} \frac{m_1 - m_2}{m_1 + m_2} + (6 - \eta) \frac{(c_1 - c_2)^2}{7680} + \frac{(c_1 - c_2)(m_2 c_2 C_1^{(0)} - m_1 c_1 C_2^{(0)})}{1536(m_1 + m_2)} - \frac{(c_1 - c_2)^2}{1536} \frac{t^2}{b^2} \right] v^2,$$

$$\dot{E}_S = \frac{\eta^2}{G \bar{\alpha} c^3} \left(\frac{G \bar{\alpha} m}{r} \right)^4 \left\{ \frac{4}{3} \mathcal{S}_-^2 + \frac{8}{15 c^2} \left(\frac{G \bar{\alpha} m}{r} \left[\left(-23 + \eta - 10 \bar{\gamma} - 10 \beta_+ + 10 \frac{\Delta m}{m} \beta_- \right) \mathcal{S}_-^2 - 2 \frac{\Delta m}{m} \mathcal{S}_+ \mathcal{S}_- \right] + v^2 \left[2 \mathcal{S}_+^2 + 2 \frac{\Delta m}{m} \mathcal{S}_+ \mathcal{S}_- + (6 - \eta + 5 \bar{\gamma}) \mathcal{S}_-^2 - \frac{10}{\bar{\gamma}} \frac{\Delta m}{m} \mathcal{S}_- (\mathcal{S}_+ \beta_+ + \mathcal{S}_- \beta_-) + \frac{10}{\bar{\gamma}} \mathcal{S}_- (\mathcal{S}_- \beta_+ + \mathcal{S}_+ \beta_-) \right] + \dot{r}^2 \left[\frac{23}{2} \mathcal{S}_+^2 - 8 \frac{\Delta m}{m} \mathcal{S}_+ \mathcal{S}_- + \left(9 \eta - \frac{37}{2} - 10 \bar{\gamma} \right) \mathcal{S}_-^2 - \frac{80}{\bar{\gamma}} \mathcal{S}_+ (\mathcal{S}_+ \beta_+ + \mathcal{S}_- \beta_-) + \frac{30}{\bar{\gamma}} \frac{\Delta m}{m} \mathcal{S}_- (\mathcal{S}_+ \beta_+ + \mathcal{S}_- \beta_-) - \frac{10}{\bar{\gamma}} \mathcal{S}_- (\mathcal{S}_- \beta_+ + \mathcal{S}_+ \beta_-) + \frac{120}{\bar{\gamma}^2} (\mathcal{S}_+ \beta_+ + \mathcal{S}_- \beta_-)^2 \right] \right) - \frac{\Delta m}{m} \frac{\eta}{6 c^2} \left(\frac{\alpha f'(\phi_0) \mathcal{S}_- \mathcal{S}_+}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}} r^2} \right) \left(\mathcal{S}_+ + \frac{\Delta m}{m} \mathcal{S}_- \right) \left[-9 \dot{r}^2 + 3 v^2 - \frac{2 G \bar{\alpha} m}{r} \right] + \mathcal{O}(c^{-3}) \right\}.$$

higher PM

irrelevant for quasi-circular orbits

suppressed by more powers of distance

Scalar-Tensor Theories: scalar waveforms

Using amplitudes it is straightforward to continue beyond linear order in spin

$$W_\phi = W_\phi^{(0)} + W_\phi^{(1)} + \dots$$

one more power
of impact parameter

$$W_\phi^{(1)} = \frac{m_1 m_2}{32 \pi^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^3 b^2 (\hat{u}_1 n)^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \text{Re} \left\{ c_1 [z(\tilde{v}n) - i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}(\tilde{b}n)] [- (\hat{u}_1 a_2) + z(\tilde{b}a_2) + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}(\tilde{v}a_2)] \right. \right. \\ \times \left[\frac{\gamma}{\gamma^2 - 1} - \frac{(\hat{u}_2 n)}{\gamma(\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + z(\tilde{b}n) + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}(\tilde{v}n)} \right] - \frac{c_2(\hat{u}_1 n)}{\gamma(\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + z(\tilde{b}n) + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}(\tilde{v}n)} \\ \times \left. \left. \left[[i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}(\tilde{b}n) - z(\tilde{v}n)](\hat{u}_2 a_1) + [\gamma(\tilde{v}n) + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}(\gamma(\hat{u}_1 n) - \hat{u}_2 n)](\tilde{b}a_1) + [z(\hat{u}_2 n - \gamma(\hat{u}_1 n)) - \gamma(\tilde{b}n)](\tilde{v}a_1) \right] \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \frac{C_1^{(1)} c_2}{2\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} \left[(\hat{u}_1 n) [\gamma(\hat{u}_2 a_1) + z(\tilde{b}a_1)] - (a_1 n) \right] \right\} \right) \Big|_{z=T_1} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2)$$

New contact term

$$W_\phi^{(1)} = \frac{m_1 m_2}{32 \pi^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^3 b^2} \left\{ [c_2 \mathbf{a}_1 - c_1 \mathbf{a}_2] \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}} (\hat{\mathbf{v}} \times \hat{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) + \frac{1}{2} [c_1 C_2^{(1)} \mathbf{a}_2 - c_2 C_1^{(1)} \mathbf{a}_1] \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}} \right. \\ \left. + \mathbf{v} \left[[c_1 \mathbf{a}_2 - c_2 \mathbf{a}_1] \cdot [2\hat{\mathbf{b}} (\hat{\mathbf{v}} \times \hat{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) + \hat{\mathbf{v}} \times \hat{\mathbf{b}} (\hat{\mathbf{b}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})] + \frac{1}{2} [c_1 C_2^{(1)} \mathbf{a}_2 - c_2 C_1^{(1)} \mathbf{a}_1] \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}} \right] \frac{t}{b} \right\} \\ + O(v^2).$$

$$a_i \equiv \frac{S_i}{m_i}$$

Linear-in-spin correction to emitted power

$$P_\phi^{(1)} = \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2 (c_1 - c_2)}{768 \pi^3 M_{\text{Pl}}^6 b^5} (\hat{\mathbf{v}} \times \hat{\mathbf{b}}) \cdot [c_1 \mathbf{a}_2 - c_2 \mathbf{a}_1] \mathbf{v}$$

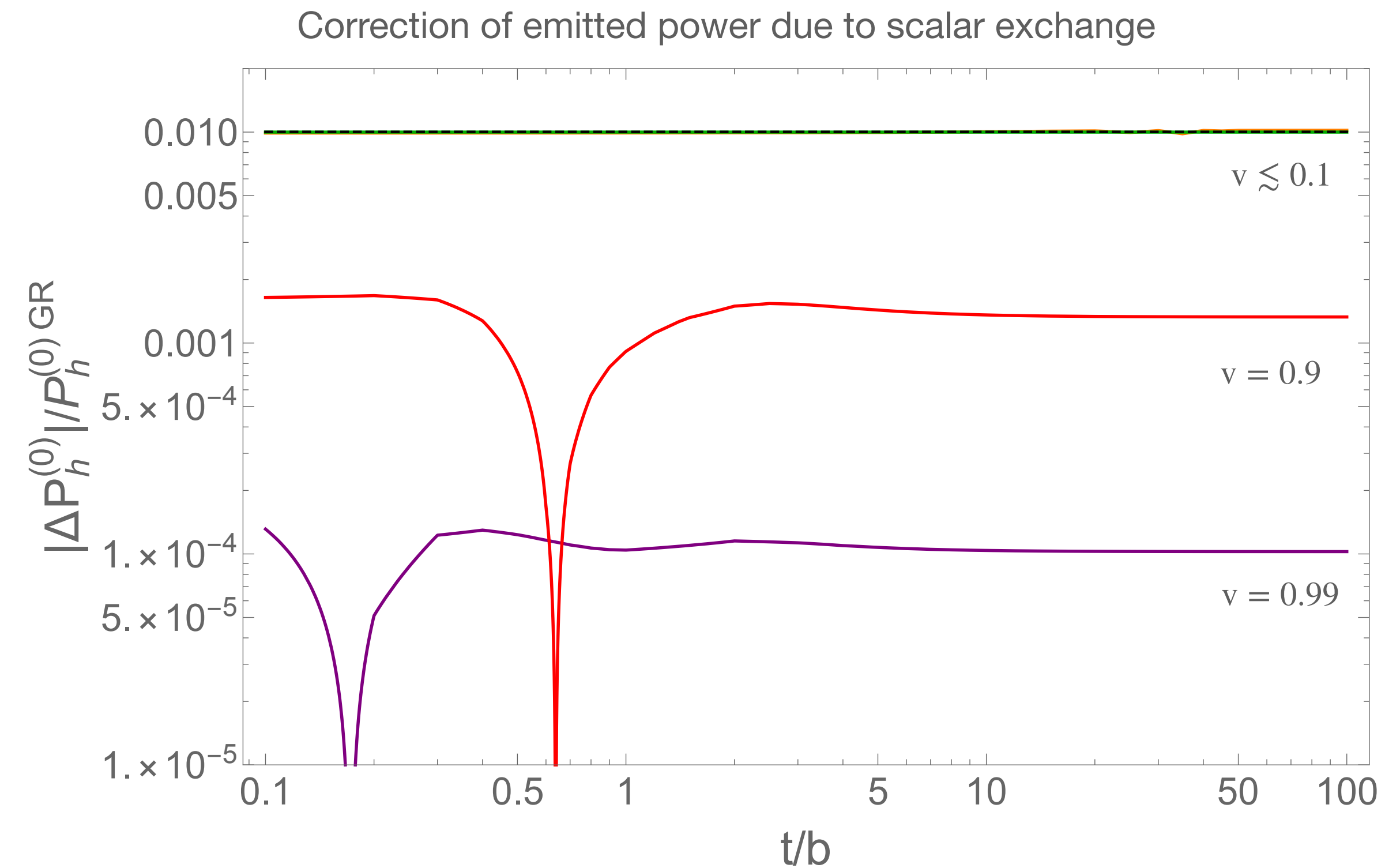
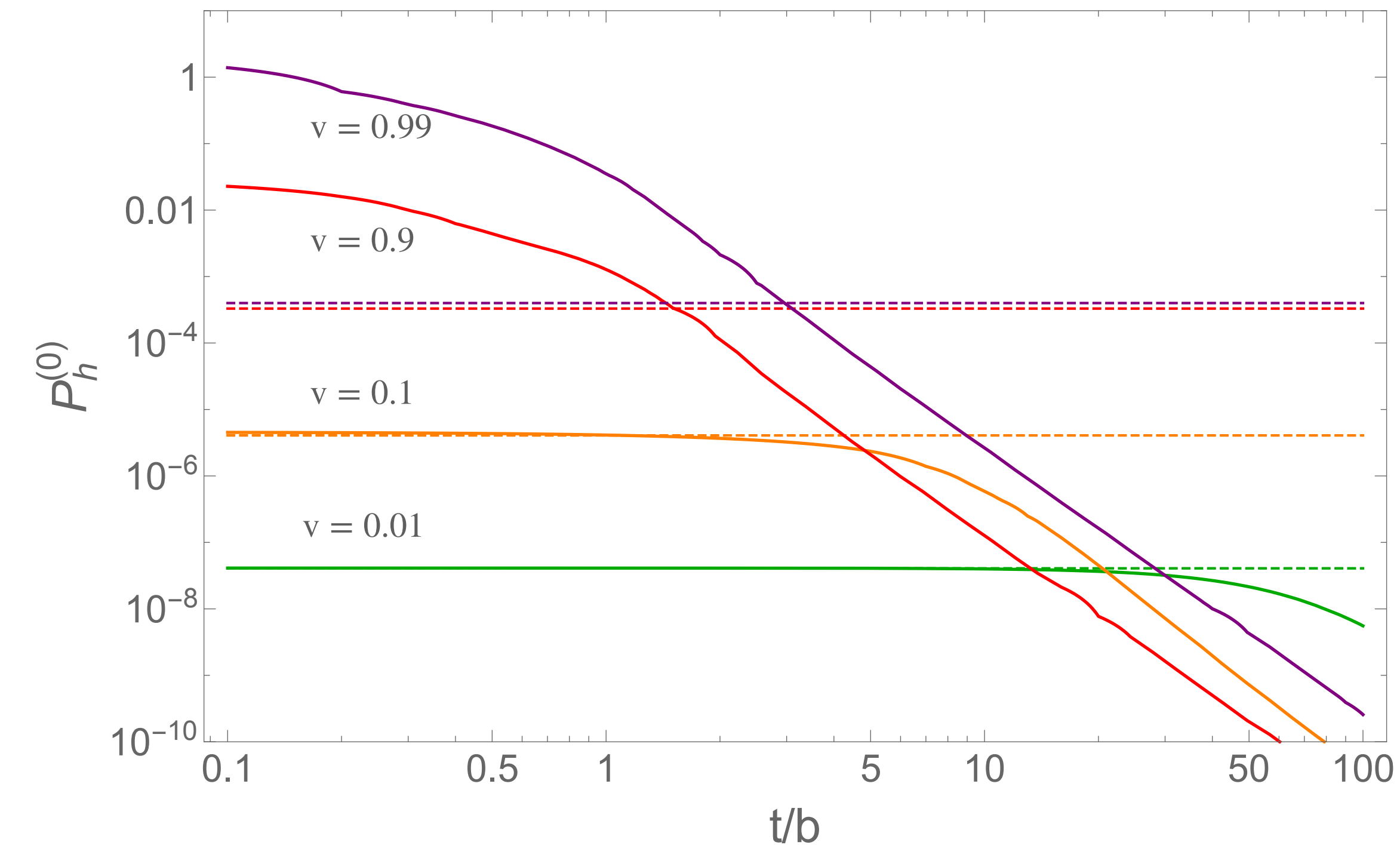
Scalar-Tensor Theories: gravitational waveforms

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LO Gravitational Waveforms-Spinless part:

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Emitted power in gravitational waves $\frac{dP_h}{d\Omega} = 2 |\partial_t W_h|^2$

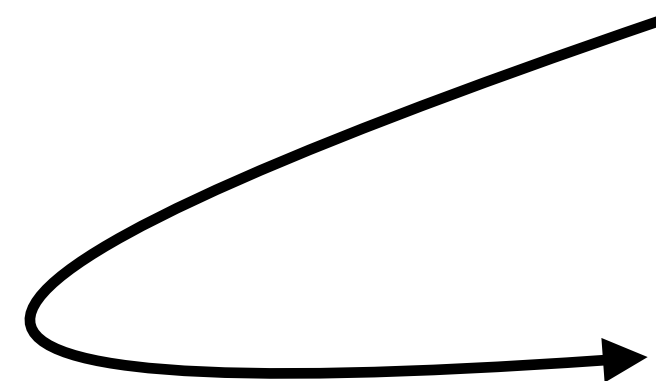


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$$\left. \frac{dP_h}{d\Omega} \right|_{\mathcal{O}(a^0)} \sim \frac{v^2}{b^4}$$

For closed orbits



$$\left. \frac{dP_h}{d\Omega} \right|_{\mathcal{O}(a^0)} \sim v^{10}$$

**Suppression compared
to scalar radiation
in agreement with
classical literature**

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In fact, at leading PN order emitted power rescaled compared to GR by factor $1 + c_1 c_2$

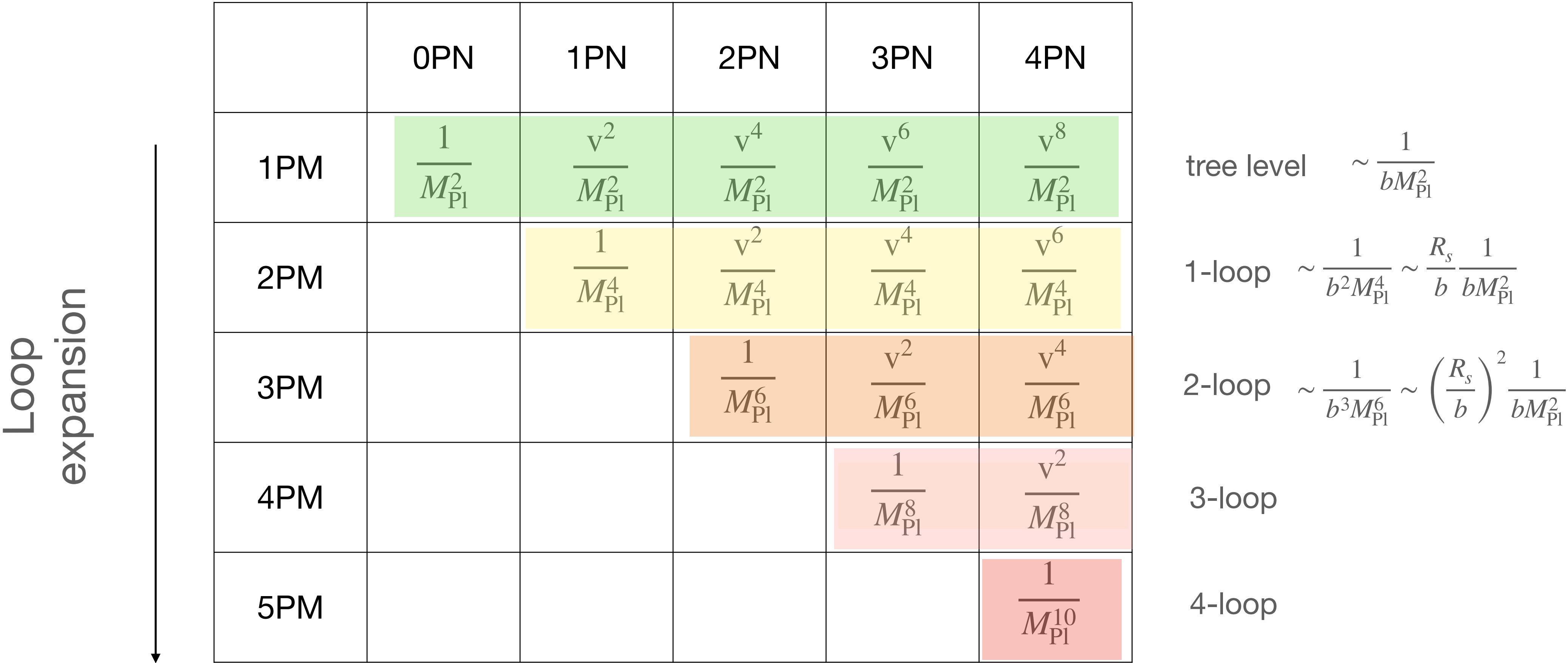
Summary

- Classical observables often can be efficiently calculated using quantum amplitudes in the framework of the KMOC formalism
- One very fruitful application of this formalism is to calculate corrections to the gravitational potential and waveforms from systems of compact objects in general relativity
- The formalism can be readily extended to scalar-tensor theories of gravity, where both gravitational and scalar radiation is present
- Many results for emitted power in gravitational and scalar waves found in the classical literature can reproduced in the KMOC approach
- We also derive novel results at higher PN and spin orders

Backup

Quantum Amplitudes and Radiation Observables

Expansion in QFT vs in classical GR for 2-to-2 scattering



Kepler's law

$$v^2 \sim \frac{1}{b M_{\text{Pl}}^2}$$

Velocity expansion

Schwarzschild radius

$$R_s \sim \frac{m}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}$$

Scalar-Tensor Theories: contact term domination

For previous results, take the limit of large contact terms $C_i \rightarrow \infty$, $c_i \rightarrow 0$, $C_i c_i$ finite

$$\partial_t W_\phi^{(0)} = \mathcal{O}(v^2)$$

$$\partial_t W_\phi^{(1)} = \frac{m_1 m_2}{64\pi^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^3 b^3} \left([c_1 C_2^{(1)} \mathbf{a}_2 - c_2 C_1^{(1)} \mathbf{a}_1] \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}} \right) v + \mathcal{O}(v^2).$$

Emitted power in scalar radiation

$$P_\phi = \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2}{1024\pi^3 M_{\text{Pl}}^6 b^6} \left([c_1 C_2^{(1)} \mathbf{a}_2 - c_2 C_1^{(1)} \mathbf{a}_1] \cdot \hat{\mathbf{v}} \right)^2 v^2 + \mathcal{O}(v^3)$$

This resembles the formula valid for DCS gravity ($\alpha = 0$, $\tilde{\alpha} \neq 0$): $P_\phi \sim (a\mathbf{v})^2 + \#a^2 v^2$

But we don't know how to produce the second term above

Tanaka, Yagi, Yunes
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*Waveforms for scattering of
compact objects without scalar hair*

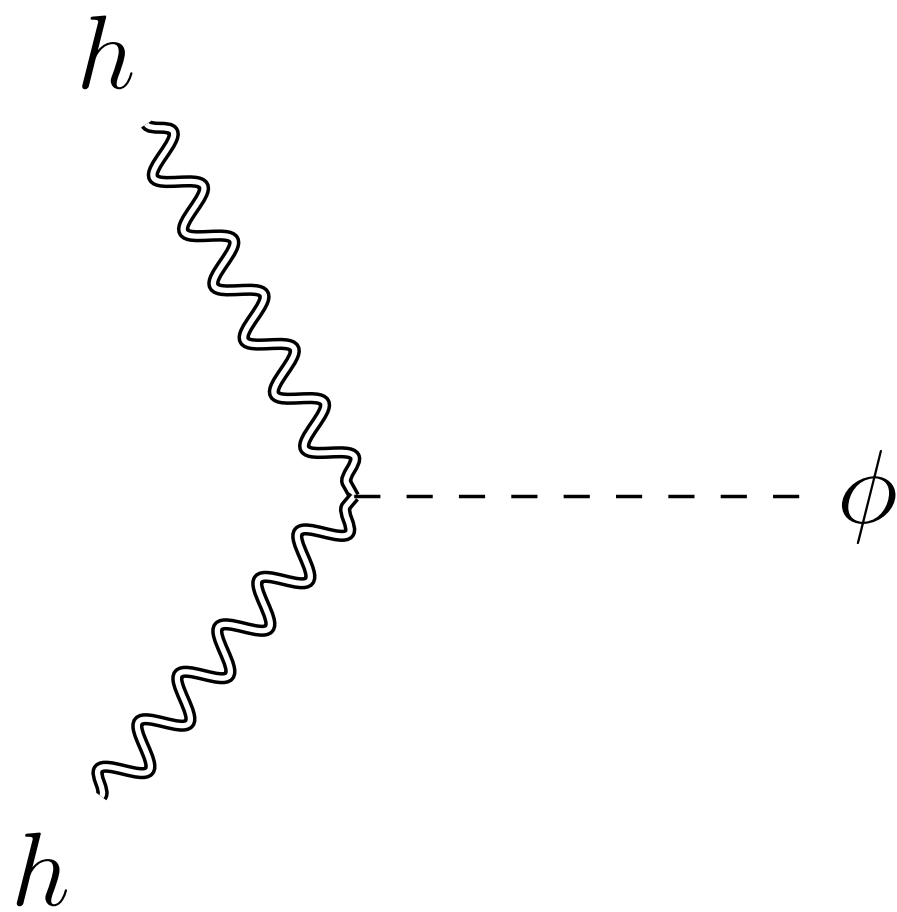
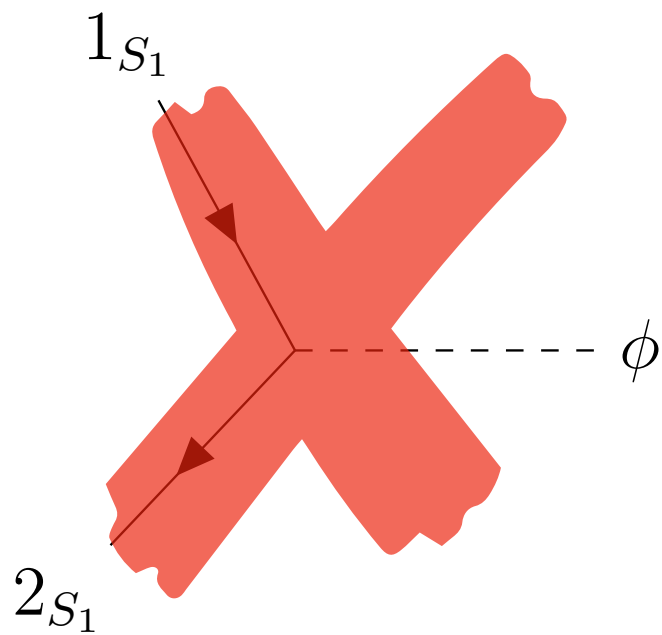
Scalar-Tensor Theories

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$$S_{SGB,DCS} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{Pl}^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(f(\phi) \mathcal{G} + \tilde{f}(\phi) R \tilde{R} \right) + \frac{1}{2} (\partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi) \right]$$

$$f(\phi) = \text{const} + \alpha \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}} + O(\phi^2) \qquad \tilde{f}(\phi) = \text{const} + \tilde{\alpha} \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}} + O(\phi^2)$$

The linear term induces a shift-symmetric cubic interaction between scalar and gravity corresponding to 3-point amplitudes

Here we assume no scalar hair



$$\mathcal{M} \left[1_h^- 2_h^- 3_\phi \right] = \frac{2\hat{\alpha}}{\Lambda^2 M_{pl}} \langle 12 \rangle^4 \qquad \hat{\alpha} \equiv \alpha + i\tilde{\alpha}$$

$$\mathcal{M} \left[1_h^+ 2_h^+ 3_\phi \right] = \frac{2\hat{\alpha}^*}{\Lambda^2 M_{pl}} [12]^4$$

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We assume scalar couplings to gravity are shift-symmetric:

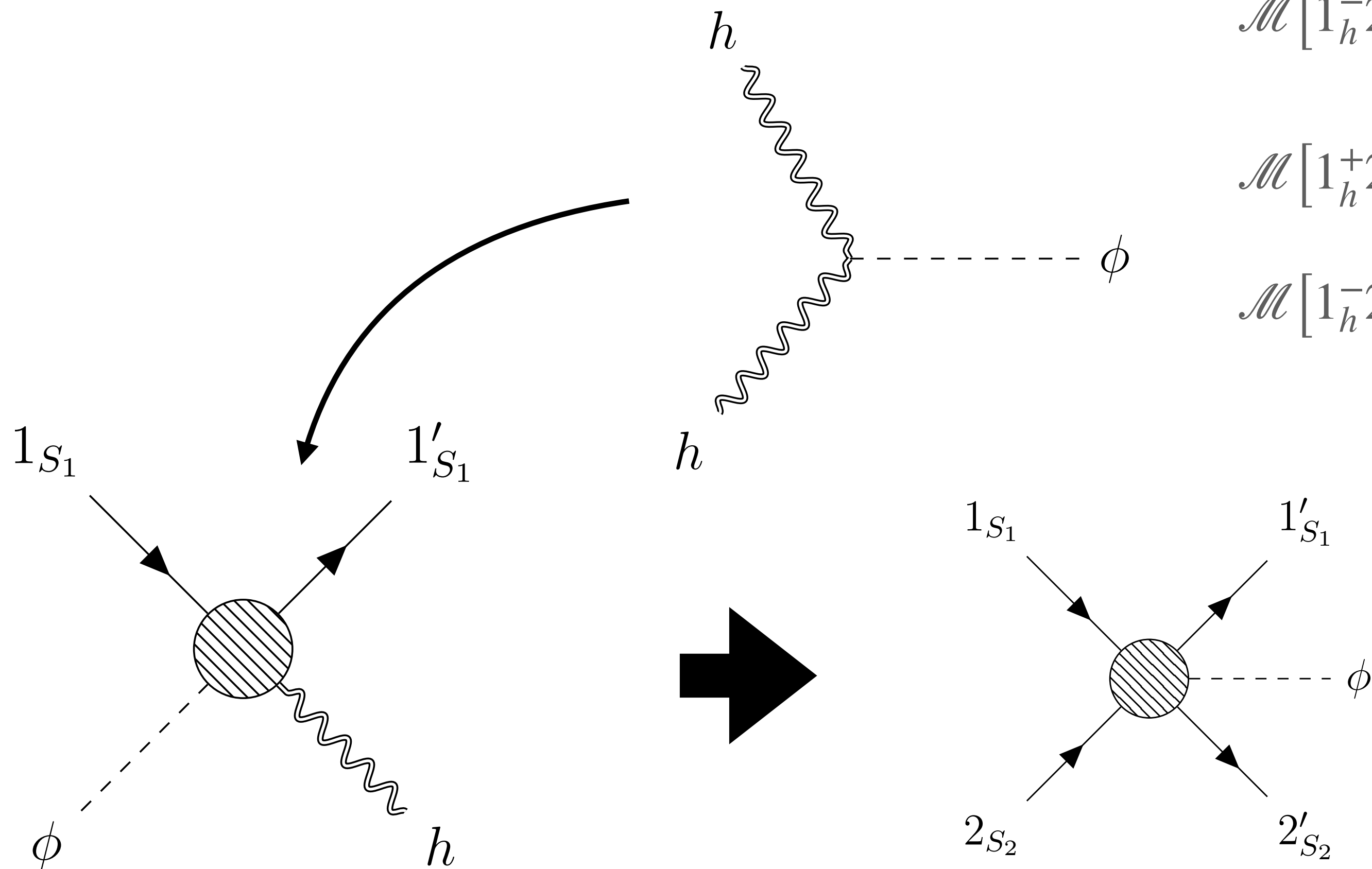
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Scalar-Tensor Theories

In this case, the relevant 4-point amplitude

$$q = p_1 + p_2 = -p_3 - p_4$$

$$\mathcal{M}_U^{\text{cl}}[1_{\Phi_i} 2_{\bar{\Phi}_i} 3_h^- 4_\phi] = \frac{2\hat{\alpha} \langle 3 | p_1 q | 3 \rangle^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \Lambda^2 q^2} e^{q a_1}$$

scales as $\mathcal{M}_U^{\text{cl}} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_U^{\text{cl}} \hbar^2$ under classical scaling,
 as opposed to $\mathcal{M}_U^{\text{cl}} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_U^{\text{cl}} \hbar^0$ for Compton amplitudes in GR or QED
 or for scalar analogous amplitude in the presence of scalar hair

$$\mathcal{M}_U^{\text{cl}}[1_{\Phi_n} 2_{\bar{\Phi}_n} 3_\phi 4_h^-] = -\frac{c_n m_n^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \frac{\langle 4 | p_3 p_1 | 4 \rangle^2}{s(t - m_n^2)^2}$$

Additional suppression does not mean however that the effect is necessarily quantum,
 but places more stringent constraints on resolvability of radiation

Bellazzini, Isabella, Riva
arXiv:2211.00085

We find the effect is resolvable when

$$R_s \ll b \ll b_{\text{max}}, \quad b_{\text{max}} = R_s \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}}{m^{1/3} \Lambda^{2/3}}$$

Cf. resolvability on nPM corrections in GR

$$\frac{m^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \left(\frac{R_s}{b} \right)^{n-1} \gg 1$$

Scalar-Tensor Theories

LO scalar waveform in CP-even limit :

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_\phi = & \frac{m_1 m_2}{8\pi^2 b^3 M_{Pl}^3 \Lambda^2 (\hat{u}_1 n)^2 \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} \left(\alpha \left\{ -\frac{d^2}{dz^2} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \frac{2(\gamma^2 - 1)^2 (\hat{u}_2 n)^2 [\gamma(\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + (\tilde{b}n)z]}{[\gamma(\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + (\tilde{b}n)z]^2 + (\tilde{v}n)^2 (z^2 + 1)} \right] + [(\hat{u}_1 n) + \gamma(2\gamma^2 - 3)(\hat{u}_2 n)] \frac{2z^2 - 1}{(z^2 + 1)^{5/2}} + (2\gamma^2 - 1)(\tilde{b}n) \frac{3z}{(z^2 + 1)^{5/2}} \right\} \right. \\
 & + \frac{2\alpha}{b} \frac{d^3}{dz^3} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \frac{(\hat{u}_2 n) - \gamma(\hat{u}_1 n) + \gamma(\tilde{b}n)z + i\gamma(\tilde{v}n)\sqrt{z^2 + 1}}{\gamma(\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + (\tilde{b}n)z + i(\tilde{v}n)\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \left[z(\tilde{v}n) - i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}(\tilde{b}n) \right] \times \left[\frac{(a_1 n)}{(\hat{u}_1 n)} - \gamma(a_1 \hat{u}_2) - (a_2 \hat{u}_1) - (a_1^A - a_2^A)(z\tilde{b}^A + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}\tilde{v}^A) \right] \right\} \\
 & \left. - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \frac{C_1}{b} \frac{d^3}{dz^3} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \text{Re} \left[\left(z[(\tilde{v}n)a_1^A + (a_1 \tilde{v})n^A] - i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}[(\tilde{b}n)a_1^A + (a_1 \tilde{b})n^A] \right) \times \left(\hat{u}_2^A - \gamma\hat{u}_1^A + \gamma[z\tilde{b}^A + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}\tilde{v}^A] \right) \right] \right\} \right) \Big|_{z=T_1} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2) + \mathcal{O}(a^2).
 \end{aligned}$$

Scalar-Tensor Theories

LO scalar waveform for scalar Gauss-Bonnet:

$$W_\phi = \frac{m_1 m_2}{8\pi^2 b^3 M_{Pl}^3 \Lambda^2 (\hat{u}_1 n)^2 \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}} \left(\alpha \left\{ -\frac{d^2}{dz^2} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \frac{2(\gamma^2 - 1)^2 (\hat{u}_2 n)^2 [\gamma(\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + (\tilde{b}n)z]}{[\gamma(\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + (\tilde{b}n)z]^2 + (\tilde{v}n)^2(z^2 + 1)} \right] + [(\hat{u}_1 n) + \gamma(2\gamma^2 - 3)(\hat{u}_2 n)] \frac{2z^2 - 1}{(z^2 + 1)^{5/2}} + (2\gamma^2 - 1)(\tilde{b}n) \frac{3z}{(z^2 + 1)^{5/2}} \right\} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2\alpha}{b} \frac{d^3}{dz^3} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \frac{(\hat{u}_2 n) - \gamma(\hat{u}_1 n) + \gamma(\tilde{b}n)z + i\gamma(\tilde{v}n)\sqrt{z^2 + 1}}{\gamma(\hat{u}_2 n) - (\hat{u}_1 n) + (\tilde{b}n)z + i(\tilde{v}n)\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \left[z(\tilde{v}n) - i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}(\tilde{b}n) \right] \times \left[\frac{(a_1 n)}{(\hat{u}_1 n)} - \gamma(a_1 \hat{u}_2) - (a_2 \hat{u}_1) - (a_1^A - a_2^A)(z\tilde{b}^A + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}\tilde{v}^A) \right] \right\} \right. \\ \left. - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1} \frac{C_1}{b} \frac{d^3}{dz^3} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + 1}} \text{Re} \left[\left(z[(\tilde{v}n)a_1^A + (a_1 \tilde{v})n^A] - i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}[(\tilde{b}n)a_1^A + (a_1 \tilde{b})n^A] \right) \times \left(\hat{u}_2^A - \gamma\hat{u}_1^A + \gamma[z\tilde{b}^A + i\sqrt{z^2 + 1}\tilde{v}^A] \right) \right] \right\} \right\} \Big|_{z=T_1} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2) + \mathcal{O}(a^2).$$

Connect to
observables: Power
emitted in scalar
radiation

$$\frac{dP_\phi}{d\Omega} = (\partial_t W_\phi)^2$$

$$\left. \frac{dP_\phi}{d\Omega} \right|_{\mathcal{O}(a^0)} \sim \frac{v^6}{b^8}$$

For closed orbits

$$\left. \frac{dP_\phi}{d\Omega} \right|_{\mathcal{O}(a^0)} \sim v^{22}$$

$$\left. \frac{dP_\phi}{d\Omega} \right|_{\mathcal{O}(a^1)} \sim \frac{v^4}{b^{10}}$$

For closed orbits

$$\left. \frac{dP_\phi}{d\Omega} \right|_{\mathcal{O}(a^1)} \sim v^{24}$$

Much **bigger suppression**
compared to $P_\phi \sim v^8$
in the presence of scalar hair