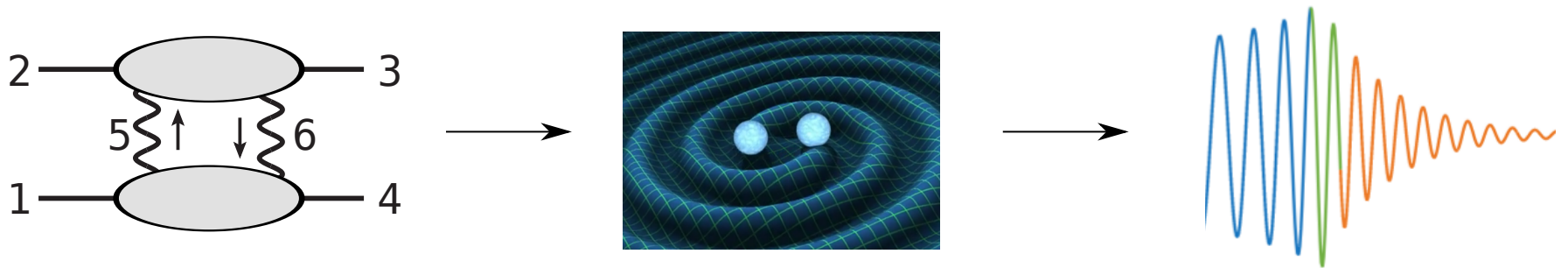


## Black Hole Binary Dynamics from Scattering Amplitudes



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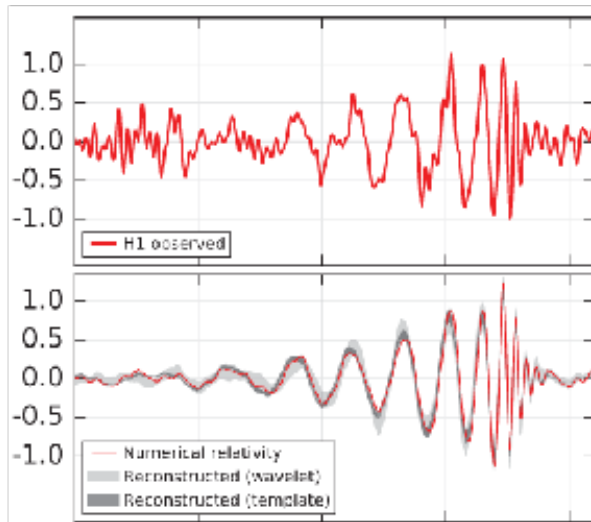
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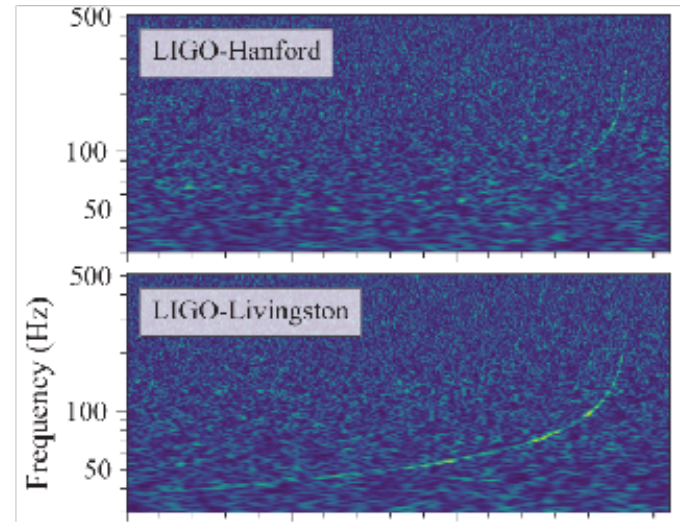
1. Introduction
2. Scattering amplitudes - double copy & unitarity cuts
3. Potential from non-relativistic EFT
4. Relativistic integration - importing techniques from precision QCD

# BIRTH OF AN ERA

- LIGO / VIRGO detected gravitational waves: BH-BH (2015), BH-NS (2017), NS-NS (2019?)



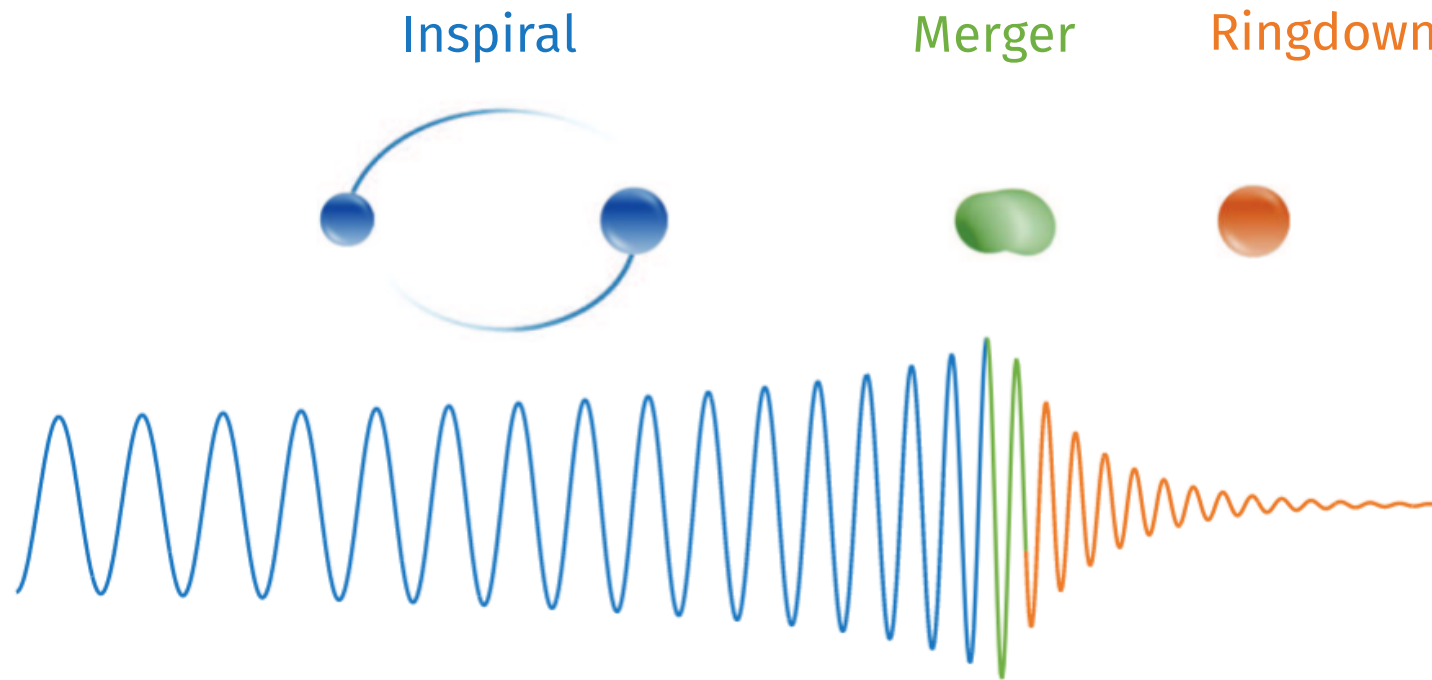
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- Next-gen. experiments (LISA, CE, ET...): high S-N ratio, dominated by *theory uncertainty*.
- precision predictions necessary  
*Testing GR, neutron star EOS, BSM effects...*

# ANATOMY OF GRAVITATIONAL WAVE SIGNAL



[Picture: Antelis, Moreno, 1610.03567]

**Inspiral** Post-Newtonian / Post-Minkowskian / EOB

**Merger** Numerical relativity / EOB resummation

**Ringdown** Perturbative quasi-normal modes

# POST-NEWTONIAN EXPANSION

Virial theorem  $G \sim P^2$ . Hamiltonian in c.o.m. frame:

$$\frac{H}{\mu} = \boxed{\frac{P^2}{2} - \frac{Gm}{R}} \quad \text{Newton} \sim \mathcal{O}(G) \quad \begin{array}{l} m = m_A + m_B, \quad \nu = \mu/M = P \cdot \hat{R} \\ \mu = m_A m_B / m \end{array}$$

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

Einstein, Infeld, Hoffman, 1PN  $\sim \mathcal{O}(G^2)$

**1PN** [Einstein, Infeld, Hoffman '38]. **2PN** [Ohta *et al.*, '73]. **3PN** [Jaranowski, Schaefer, '97; Damour, Jaranowski, Schaefer, '97; Blanchet, Faye, '00; Damour, Jaranowski, Schaefer, '01] **4PN** [Damour, Jaranowski, Schäfer, Bernard, Blanchet, Bohe, Faye, Marsat, Marchand, Foffa, Sturani, Mastrolia, Sturm, Porto, Rothstein...] **5PN static** [Foffa, Mastrolia, Sturani, Sturm, Bodabilla, '19; Blümlein, Maier, Marquard, '19] **5PN approximate** [Bini, Damour, Geralico, '19]

# POST-MINKOWSKIAN EXPANSION

Bound orbit:  $GM/r \sim v^2$ . Hyperbolic orbit / scattering: expand with  $GM/r \leq v^2 \sim 1$ . [Bertotti, Kerr, Plebanski, Portilla, Westpfahl, Goller, Bel, Damour, Deruelle, Ibanez, Martin, Ledvinka, Schaefer, Bicak...]

	0PN	1PN	2PN	3PN	4PN	5PN	6PN	7PN	
1PM	( 1 )	+ v <sup>2</sup>	+ v <sup>4</sup>	+ v <sup>6</sup>	+ v <sup>8</sup>	+ v <sup>10</sup>	+ v <sup>12</sup>	+ v <sup>14</sup>	+ ... ) G <sup>1</sup>
2PM		( 1	+ v <sup>2</sup>	+ v <sup>4</sup>	+ v <sup>6</sup>	+ v <sup>8</sup>	+ v <sup>10</sup>	+ v <sup>12</sup>	+ ... ) G <sup>2</sup>
3PM			( 1	+ v <sup>2</sup>	+ v <sup>4</sup>	+ v <sup>6</sup>	+ v <sup>8</sup>	+ v <sup>10</sup>	+ ... ) G <sup>3</sup>
4PM				( 1	+ v <sup>2</sup>	+ v <sup>4</sup>	+ v <sup>6</sup>	+ v <sup>8</sup>	+ ... ) G <sup>4</sup>
5PM					( 1	+ v <sup>2</sup>	+ v <sup>4</sup>	+ v <sup>6</sup>	+ ... ) G <sup>5</sup>
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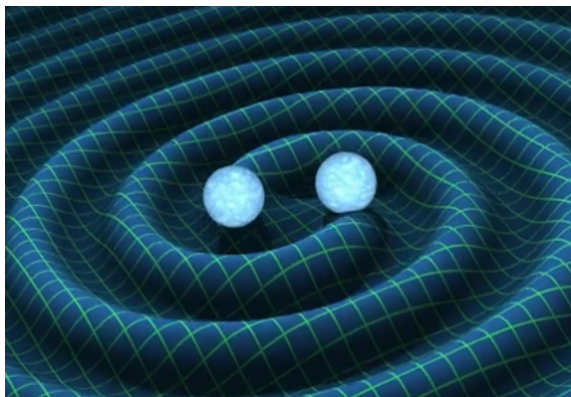
**Our new 3PM result:** [Bern, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, MZ, arXiv: 1901.04424 (PRL), arXiv:1908.01493 (JHEP)]

# HOW QFT HELPS

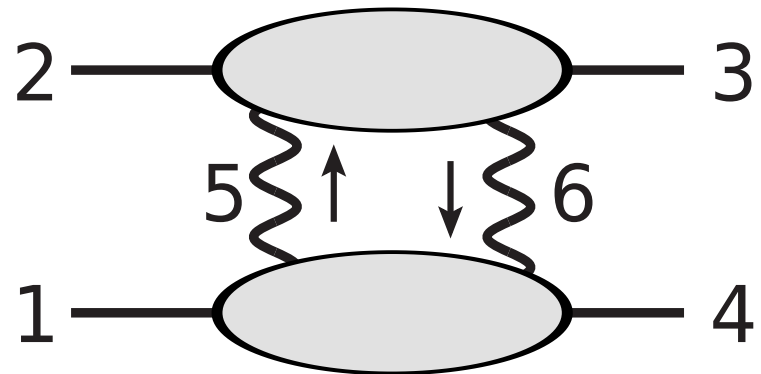
*Hierarchy of scales* in bound state systems:  $R_s \leq r \leq \lambda$

effective field theory: [NRGR: Goldberger, Rothstein, '04; Porto, '06; relativistic

formulation: Damgaard, Haddad, Helset, '19]



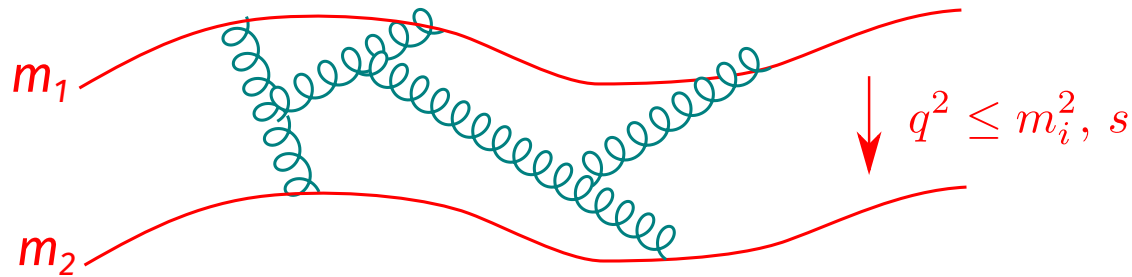
[picture: LIGO]



Manifest *gauge invariance* through scattering amplitudes, with carefully defined *classical limit* [Iwasaki '71; Gupta, Radford, '79; Donoghue, '94; Holstein, Donoghue, '04; Neill, Rothstein, '13; Vaidya, '14; Kosower, Maybee, O'Connell, '18; Cheung, Rothstein, Porto, '18; Kälin, Porto, '19...]

# WHICH DIAGRAMS CONTRIBUTE CLASSICALLY?

Rule 1: each loop must have a matter propagator.



Inspiration from **NRGR** [Goldberger, Rothstein, '04]: Einstein-Hilbert action coupled to **worldline sources**

$$S = S_{EH} + S_{pp}, \quad S_{pp} = - \sum_a m_a \int d\tau_a + \sum_a c_R^{(a)} \int d\tau_a R(x_a) + \dots$$

Rule 2: no "mushrooms", i.e. graviton connecting same matter.



Rule 3: no contact integrals with matter lines touching.



# PERTURBATIVE GRAVITY

Einstein-Hilbert action

$$S_{\text{EH}} = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^d x \sqrt{-g} R + S_{\text{matter}}$$

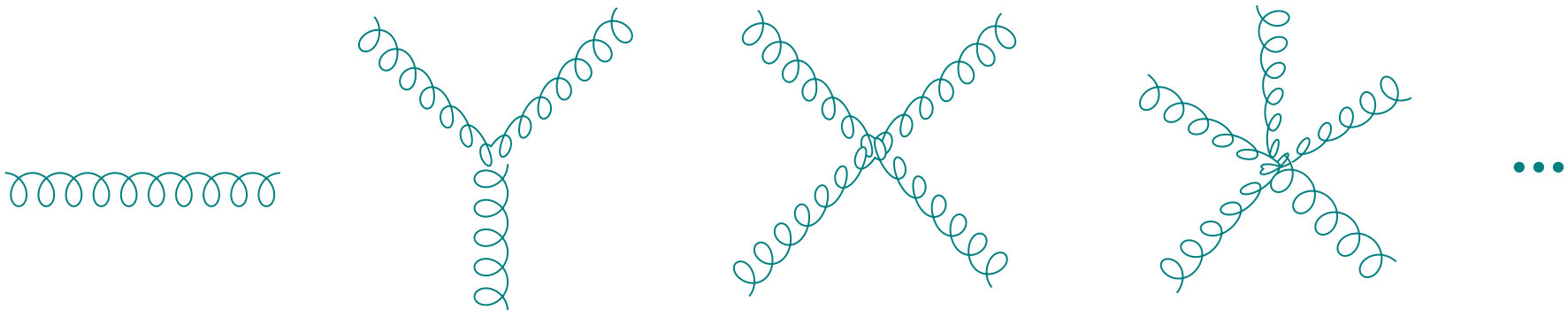
Expand around flat space

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

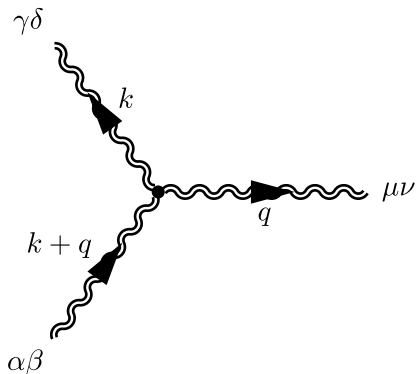
Schematic, index contractions omitted

$$S_{\text{EH}} = \int d^d x \left[ h \partial^2 h + \kappa h^2 \partial^2 h + \kappa^2 h^3 \partial^2 h + \kappa^3 h^4 \partial^2 h + \dots \right]$$

[e.g. Elvang, Huang, '13]



# PERTURBATIVE GRAVITY



$$\begin{aligned}
 \tau_{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta}^{\mu\nu}(k, q) = & -\frac{i\kappa}{2} \left\{ P_{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta} \left[ k^\mu k^\nu + (k+q)^\mu (k+q)^\nu + q^\mu q^\nu - \frac{3}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} q^2 \right] \right. \\
 & + 2q_\lambda q_\sigma \left[ I^{\lambda\sigma, \alpha\beta} I^{\mu\nu, \gamma\delta} + I^{\lambda\sigma, \gamma\delta} I^{\mu\nu, \alpha\beta} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. - I^{\lambda\mu, \alpha\beta} I^{\sigma\nu, \gamma\delta} - I^{\sigma\nu, \alpha\beta} I^{\lambda\mu, \gamma\delta} \right] \right. \\
 & + \left[ q_\lambda q^\mu (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\lambda\nu, \gamma\delta} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\lambda\nu, \alpha\beta}) + q_\lambda q^\nu (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\lambda\mu, \gamma\delta} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\lambda\mu, \alpha\beta}) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - q^2 (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\mu\nu, \gamma\delta} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\mu\nu, \alpha\beta}) - \eta^{\mu\nu} q^\lambda q^\sigma (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\sigma} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\sigma}) \right] \\
 & + \left[ 2q^\lambda (I^{\sigma\nu, \gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\sigma} k^\mu + I^{\sigma\mu, \gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\sigma} k^\nu \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - I^{\sigma\nu, \alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\sigma} (k+q)^\mu - I^{\sigma\mu, \alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\sigma} (k+q)^\nu \right) \\
 & + q^2 (I^{\sigma\mu, \alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\sigma}{}^\nu + I_{\alpha\beta,\sigma}{}^\nu I^{\sigma\mu, \gamma\delta}) \\
 & + \eta^{\mu\nu} q^\lambda q_\sigma (I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\rho} I^{\rho\sigma, \gamma\delta} + I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\rho} I^{\rho\sigma, \alpha\beta}) \left. \right] \\
 & + \left[ (k^2 + (k+q)^2) \left( I^{\sigma\mu, \alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\sigma}{}^\nu + I^{\sigma\nu, \alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\sigma}{}^\mu - \frac{1}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} P_{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta} \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - ((k+q)^2 \eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\mu\nu, \gamma\delta} + k^2 \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\mu\nu, \alpha\beta}) \right] \left. \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Background field gauge vertex [Holstein, Ross, 0802.0716]

About 100 terms in 3-graviton vertex!

Quickly grows out of control with more loops & legs.

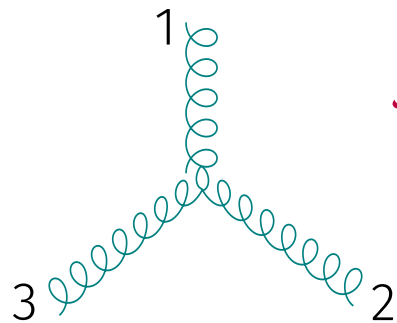
**Double copy** & **Generalized Unitarity** to the rescue

Double copy: gravity from YM

Generalized Unitarity:  
Loops from trees

# GRAVITY = (YANG MILLS)<sup>2</sup>

On-shell 3-point amplitudes in **Yang-Mills** & **gravity**:



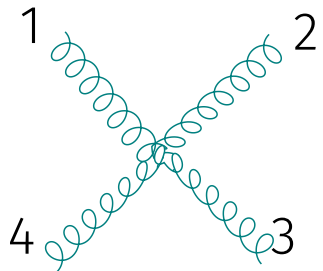
$$\mathcal{A}_3(1^- 2^- 3^+) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 31 \rangle}, \quad \mathcal{M}_3(1^- 2^- 3^+) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^6}{\langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 31 \rangle^2}$$

Square!

In 4D,  $(A^+)^2 \sim h^{++}$ ,  $(A^-)^2 \sim h^{--}$   
 $A^+ A^- \sim$  ~~dilaton, axion~~

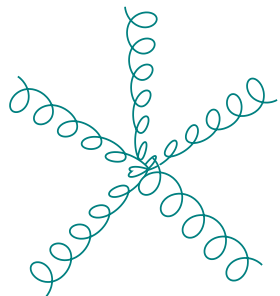
[Johansson, Ochirov, '14;  
 Luna, Nicholson, O'Connell,  
 White, '17]

Kawai-Lewellen-Tye (KLT) relations from string theory:



$$M_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4) = -i s_{12} A_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4) A_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 4, 3)$$

$$A_4^{\text{tree}} \equiv g^2 \sum_{\sigma \in S_4/Z_4} A_4^{\text{tree}}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4) \text{tr}(T^{a_{\sigma_1}} T^{a_{\sigma_2}} T^{a_{\sigma_3}} T^{a_{\sigma_4}})$$



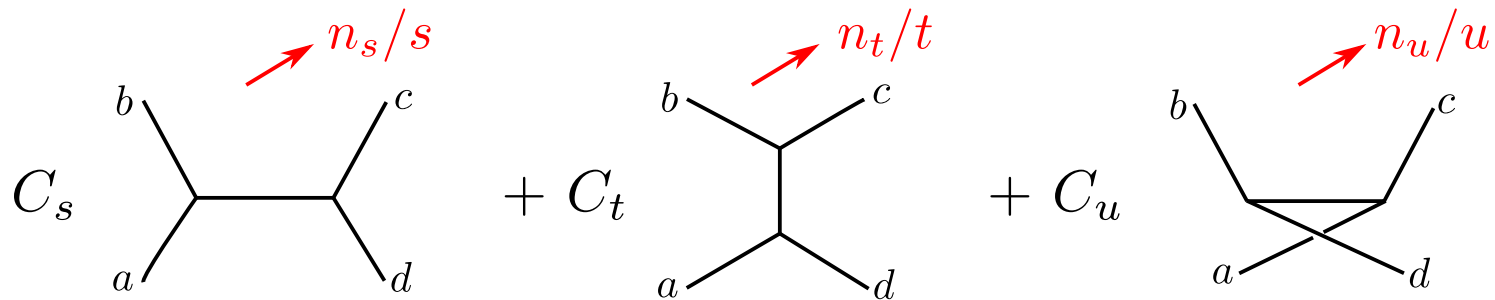
$$M_5^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) = i s_{12} s_{34} A_5^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) A_5^{\text{tree}}(2, 1, 4, 3, 5) \\
+ i s_{13} s_{24} A_5^{\text{tree}}(1, 3, 2, 4, 5) A_5^{\text{tree}}(3, 1, 4, 2, 5)$$

⋮

# COLOR KINEMATIC DUALITY

$D$  dimensions: easier to get nice analytic integrands from **color-kinematics duality**, i.e. double copy construction. [Bern, Carrasco, Johansson, '08]

Let's look at the 4-gluon amplitude, with 4-point vertex "blown up" to 3-pt.



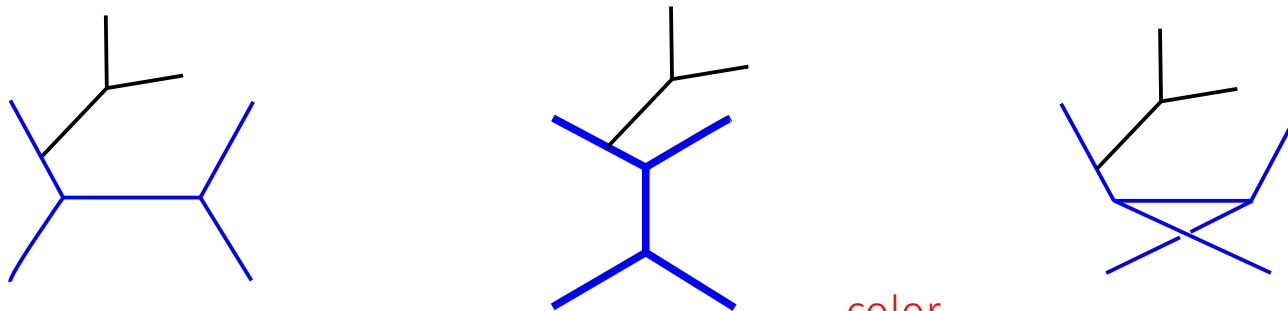
$$C_s = f^{abf} f^{cdf}, \quad C_t = f^{bcf} f^{daf}, \quad C_u = f^{afc} f^{dbf},$$

Jacobi identity:  $C_s + C_t + C_u = 0$ . Surprise:  $n_s + n_t + n_u = 0$ .

color

kinematics

# COLOR KINEMATIC DUALITY



BCJ form of integrand:  $A = \sum_{i \in \text{diags}} \frac{C_i n_i}{D_i}, \quad n_i + n_j + n_k = 0$

color kinematics  
Propagators

whenever  $C_i + C_j + C_k = 0$

Gravity integrand:  $M = \sum_{i \in \text{diags}} \frac{n_i \tilde{n}_i}{D_i},$  both  $n_i, \tilde{n}_i$  in BCJ form

Generalized gauge transformation:  $n_l \rightarrow n_l + \delta \cdot D_l, \quad l = i, j, k$

$A$  invariant ✓

*Gauge invariance*

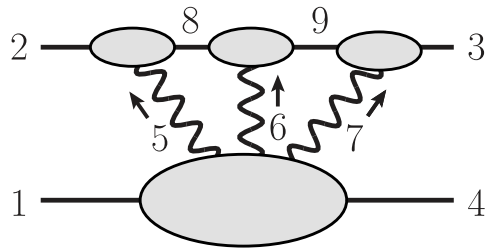
$M$  invariant ✓

*diffeomorphism invariance*

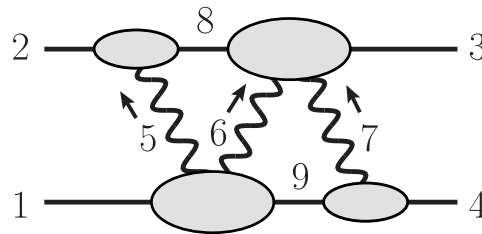
# TWO-LOOP CUTS

[Bern, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, MZ, arXiv:1908.01493 (JHEP)]

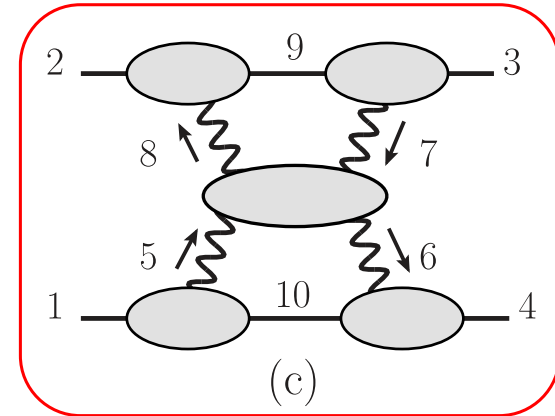
$$S = \int d^D x \sqrt{g} \left[ -\frac{1}{2} R + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1,2} (D^\mu \phi_i D_\mu \phi_i - m_i \phi_i^2) \right]$$



(a)



(b)



(c)

From KLT:  $M_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4) = -i s_{12} \mathcal{A}_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4) A_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 4, 3)$ .

$$C_{\text{GR}}^{(c)} = -i \left\{ 2t^2 m_1^4 m_2^4 + \frac{1}{t^6} \left[ \text{Tr}[(728615)^4] + (7 \leftrightarrow 8) \right] \right\} \left( \frac{1}{(k_5 - k_8)^2} + \frac{1}{(k_6 + k_8)^2} \right)$$

Very compact expression at 2 loops. Higher loops within reach!

# TWO-LOOP INTEGRAND

Cuts *merged* into an integrand with diagrams & numerators:

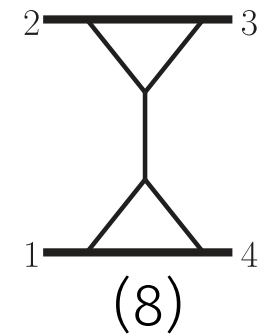
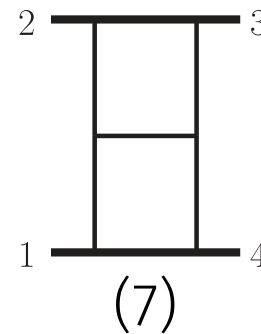
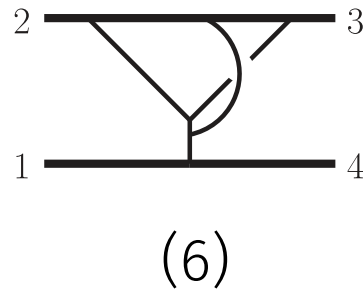
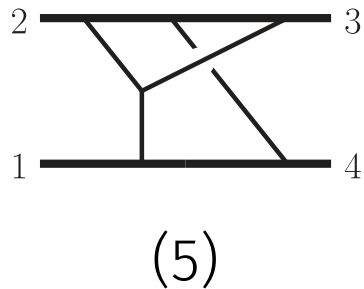
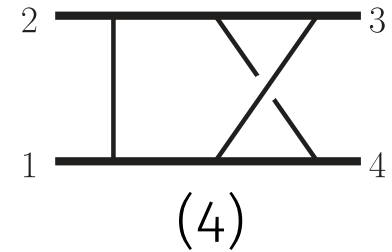
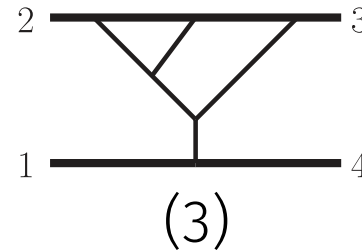
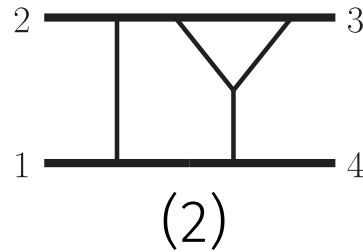
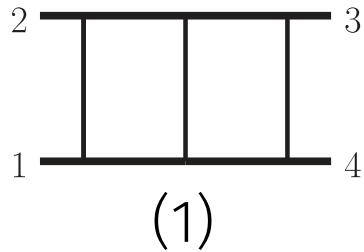
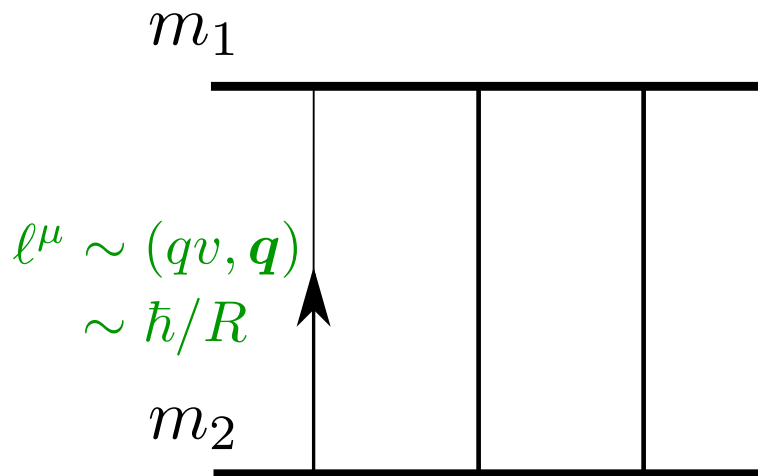


Diagram symmetries imposed. ~ 90KB file.

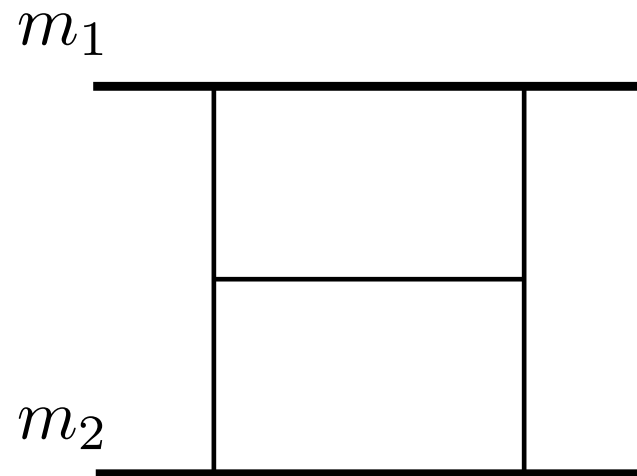
4 and  $D$  dimensional results agree, up to “ $\mu$ ” terms with no classical effects.

# INTEGRATING THE AMPLITUDE

- $m_1 \neq m_2$ , even planar master integrals unknown!



$m_1 = m_2$  Smirnov, '01; Lower topologies:  
Henn & Smirnov, '13; Duhr, Amplitudes '18;  
Heller, von Manteuffel, Schabinger, '19



$m_1 = m_2$  Bianchi, Leoni, 1612.05609

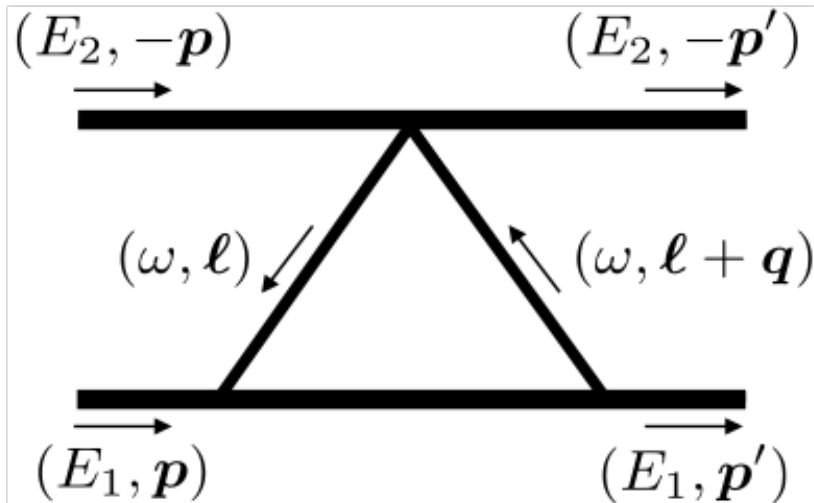
- Simplification 1: expand in small  $q \sim \hbar/R \leq m_i, \sqrt{s}$ .
- Simplification 2: Expand in  $v \ll 1$  from **potential region**.  $(\int d^4\ell)$  localized on +ve energy matter poles.



# NR INTEGRATION / VELOCITY EXPANSION

**Plan: Series expansion** around static limit, then resum by matching to simple functions. **One-loop triangle toy example:**

**Step 1:** determine integrand in potential region  $\ell^0 = \omega \leq |\mathbf{l}| \sim |\mathbf{q}|$



$$\mathcal{I}_T = \frac{1}{(E_1 + \omega)^2 - (\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{l})^2 - m_1^2} \times \frac{1}{\omega^2 - \mathbf{l}^2} \frac{1}{\omega^2 - (\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{q})^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\omega - \omega_{P_1}} \frac{1}{2m_1 \mathbf{l}^2 (\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{q})^2} + \dots$$

need prescription for  $d\omega$  integration

$$\frac{1}{(E_1 + \omega)^2 - (\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{l})^2 - m_1^2} = \frac{1}{(\omega - \omega_{P_1})(\omega - \omega_{A_1})},$$

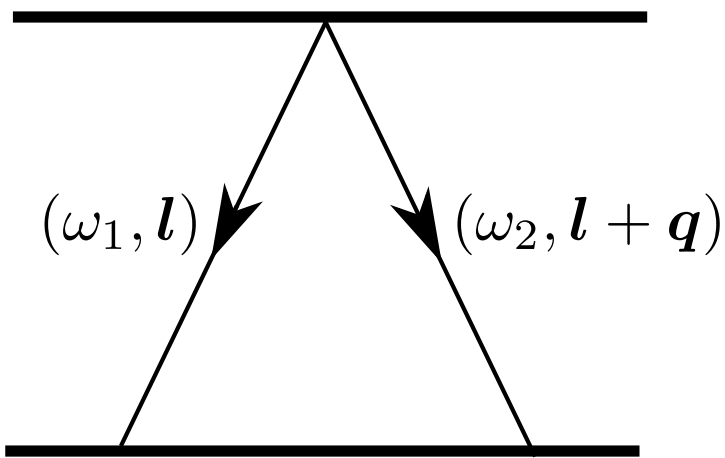
$$\omega_{P_1}, \omega_{A_1} = -E_1 \pm \sqrt{E_1^2 + 2\mathbf{p}\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{l}^2}. \quad \omega_{P_1} \ll |\mathbf{l}|, \quad \omega_{A_1} \approx -2m_1$$

# NR INTEGRATION / VELOCITY EXPANSION

**Step 2:** Energy integration, keeping only residues from +ve energy matter poles.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\omega_1 \frac{1}{\omega_1 - \omega_{P_1} + i0} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\omega_1 \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\omega_1 - \omega_{P_1} + i0} + \frac{1}{-\omega_1 - \omega_{P_1} + i0} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\omega_1 \frac{1}{2} (-2\pi i) \delta(\omega_1) = -\frac{i}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Higher loops: symmetrize over  $\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_n$ .

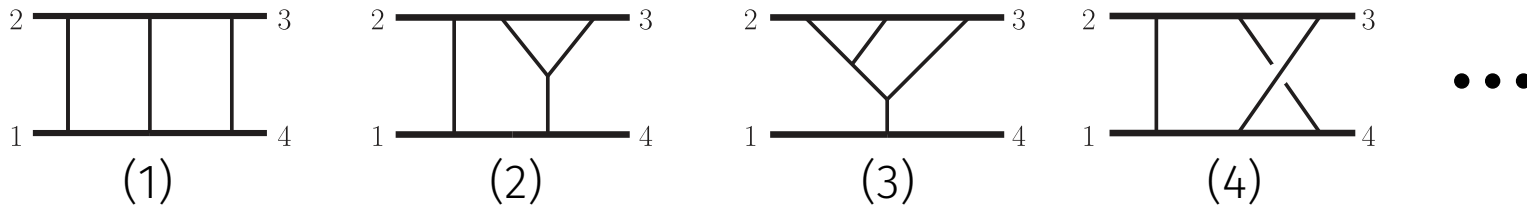


**Step 3:** Spatial integration at small  $|q|$ .

$$\int \frac{d^3\mathbf{l}}{(2\pi)^3} \left( -\frac{i}{2} \right) \frac{1}{2m_1 \mathbf{l}^2 (\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{q})^2} = -\frac{i}{32m_1 |q|}.$$

Only need 3D propagator integrals (known to at least 4 loops) + *divergent integrals from box-type diagrams.*

# RESULT FOR AMPLITUDE (PN EXPANSION)



Sample result:

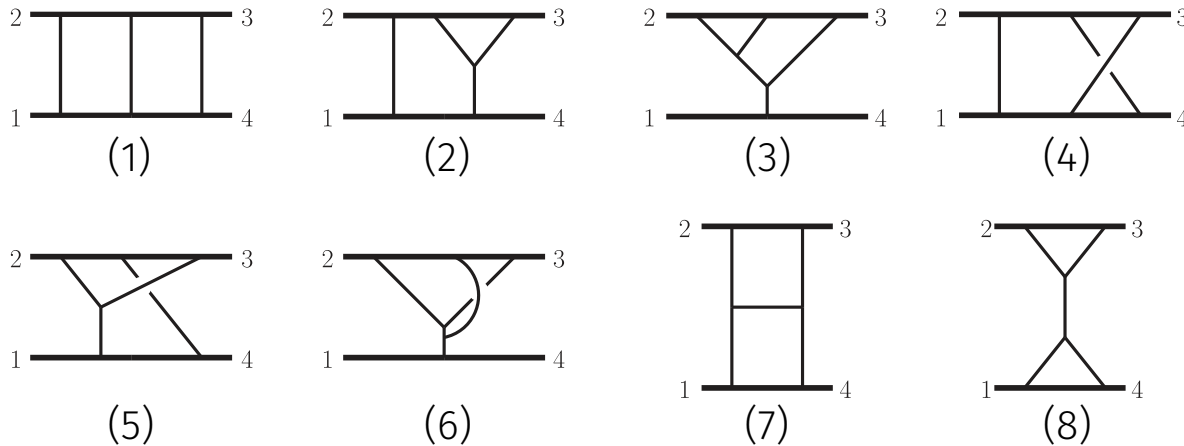
Unevaluated divergent integral; cancels in EFT matching

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{M}_4 = & \frac{(2\sigma^2 - 1)(4\sigma^2 - 1)m_1^4 m_2^6}{8E_2 E} \int \frac{d^{D-1}\ell}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} \frac{1}{\ell^2 |\ell + q| (\ell^2 + 2p\ell)} \left[ 1 + \frac{p^2}{2E_2^2} + \frac{3p^4}{8E_2^4} + \frac{5p^6}{16E_2^6} + \dots \right] \\
 & + \frac{\sigma m_1^3 m_2^5 (4\sigma^2 - 1)}{48\pi^2 E_2^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{p^2}{E_2^2} + \frac{p^4}{E_2^4} + \frac{p^6}{E_2^6} + \frac{p^8}{E_2^8} + \frac{p^8}{E_2^{10}} + \dots \right] \\
 & - \frac{m_1^4 m_2^6 (2\sigma^2 - 1)(4\sigma^2 - 1)}{128\pi^2 E_2^3 E} \left[ 1 + \frac{5p^2}{4E_2^2} + \frac{11p^4}{8E_2^4} + \frac{93p^6}{64E_2^6} + \frac{193p^8}{128E_2^8} + \frac{793p^{10}}{512E_2^{10}} + \dots \right] + \{1 \leftrightarrow 2\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma \equiv (p_1 \cdot p_2) / (m_1 m_2)$$

- Let's fit the series to simple functions... See next slide.
- Better still, can we do relativistic integration, and with  $\epsilon$  dependence?

# RESULT FOR AMPLITUDE (PM EXPANSION)



Fit PN velocity series to simple functions.

Computer algebra automation:  
[Blümlein, Marquard, Schäfer, Schneider, '19]

$$m = m_1 + m_2, \nu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m^2}, E = E_1 + E_2, \xi = \frac{E_1 E_2}{E^2}, \gamma = \frac{E}{m}, \sigma = \frac{p_1 \cdot p_2}{m_1 m_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_3 = & \frac{\pi G^3 \nu^2 m^4 (\ln q^2)}{6\gamma^2 \xi} \left[ 3 - 6\nu + 206\nu\sigma - 54\sigma^2 + 108\nu\sigma^2 + 4\nu\sigma^3 \right. \\ & - \frac{48\nu (3 + 12\sigma^2 - 4\sigma^4) \operatorname{arcsinh} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma-1}{2}}}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} - \left. \frac{18\nu\gamma (1 - 2\sigma^2) (1 - 5\sigma^2)}{(1 + \gamma)(1 + \sigma)} \right] \\ & + \frac{8\pi^3 G^3 \nu^4 m^6}{\gamma^4 \xi} \left[ 3\gamma (1 - 2\sigma^2) (1 - 5\sigma^2) \int \frac{d^{D-1} \ell}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} \frac{1}{\ell^2 |\ell + \mathbf{q}| (\ell^2 + 2\mathbf{p}\ell)} \right. \\ & \left. - 32m^2 \nu^2 (1 - 2\sigma^2)^3 \int \frac{d^{D-1} \ell_1}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} \frac{d^{D-1} \ell_2}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} \frac{1}{\ell_1^2 (\ell_2 - \ell_1)^2 (\ell_2 + \mathbf{q})^2 (\ell_1^2 + 2\mathbf{p}\ell_1) (\ell_2^2 + 2\mathbf{p}\ell_2)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$1/r^3$  potential after F.T.

Most complicated function, seen in relativistic integration of diagram 7.

# POTENTIAL FROM EFT

[Cheung, Rothstein, Solon, 1808.02489]

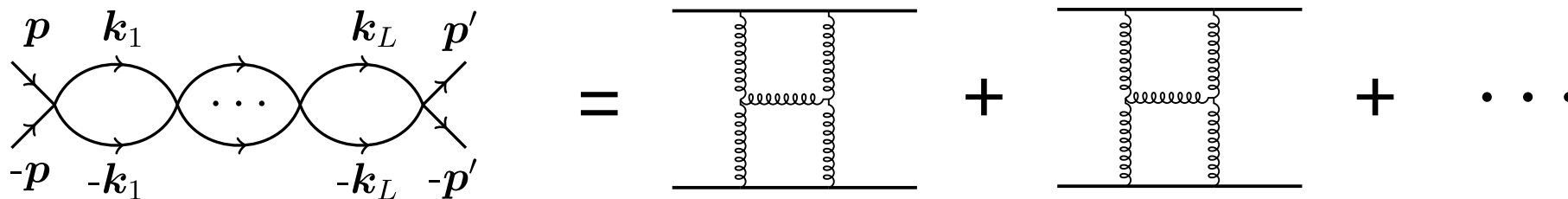
**Lagrangian:** two non-relativistic scalars

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1,2} \int_{\mathbf{k}} \phi_i^\dagger(-\mathbf{k}) \left( i\partial_t - \sqrt{\mathbf{k}^2 + m_i^2} \right) \phi_i(\mathbf{k}) - \int_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} V(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') \phi_1^\dagger(\mathbf{k}') \phi_1(\mathbf{k}) \phi_2^\dagger(-\mathbf{k}') \phi_2(-\mathbf{k})$$

**Feynman rules:**

$$\begin{aligned} \overrightarrow{(k_0, \mathbf{k})} &= \frac{i}{k_0 - \sqrt{\mathbf{k}^2 + m_{A,B}^2 + i0}}, \\ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{k} \quad \mathbf{k}' \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ -\mathbf{k} \quad -\mathbf{k}' \end{array} &= -iV(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'), \end{aligned}$$

Determines  $V$  from **Matching:** EFT amplitude = full theory amplitude.



*simple 3D triangles*

*energy integration leaves 3D integrals*

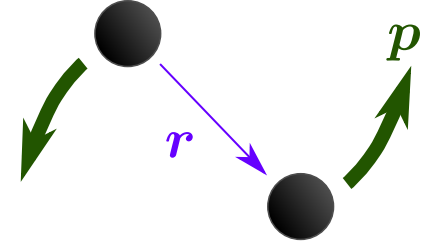
Alternative QM treatment: [Cristofoli, Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Vanhove, '19]

# RESULT: 3PM CONSERVATIVE POTENTIAL

[Bern, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, MZ '19]

$$H^{3\text{PM}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m_1^2} + \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m_2^2} + V^{3\text{PM}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r})$$

$$V^{3\text{PM}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r}) = c_1(\mathbf{p}^2) \left( \frac{G}{|\mathbf{r}|} \right) + c_2(\mathbf{p}^2) \left( \frac{G}{|\mathbf{r}|} \right)^2 + c_3(\mathbf{p}^2) \left( \frac{G}{|\mathbf{r}|} \right)^3$$



$$m = m_1 + m_2, \quad \nu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m^2}, \quad E = E_1 + E_2, \quad \xi = \frac{E_1 E_2}{E^2}, \quad \gamma = \frac{E}{m}, \quad \sigma = \frac{p_1 \cdot p_2}{m_1 m_2}$$

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

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

# Validation

Bern, Cheung, Roiban,  
Shen, Solon, MZ '19

Jaranowski, Schäfer,  
1508.01016; Bini, Damour,  
Geralico, 1909.02375

New 3PM  
Hamiltonian

Canonical transformation

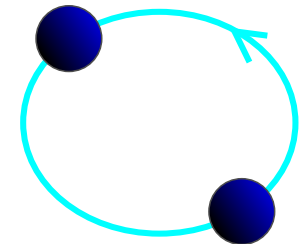
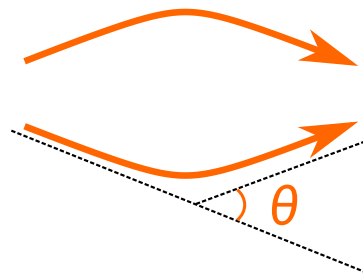
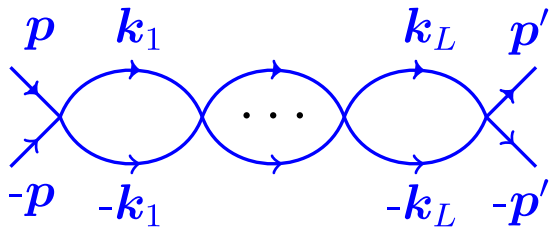
Overlap with  
4PN, 5PN

$$(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{P}) = (A\mathbf{r} + B\mathbf{p}, C\mathbf{p} + D\mathbf{r})$$

$$A = 1 - \frac{Gm\nu}{2|\mathbf{r}|} + \dots, \quad B = \frac{G(1 - 2/\nu)}{4m|\mathbf{r}|} \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} + \dots$$

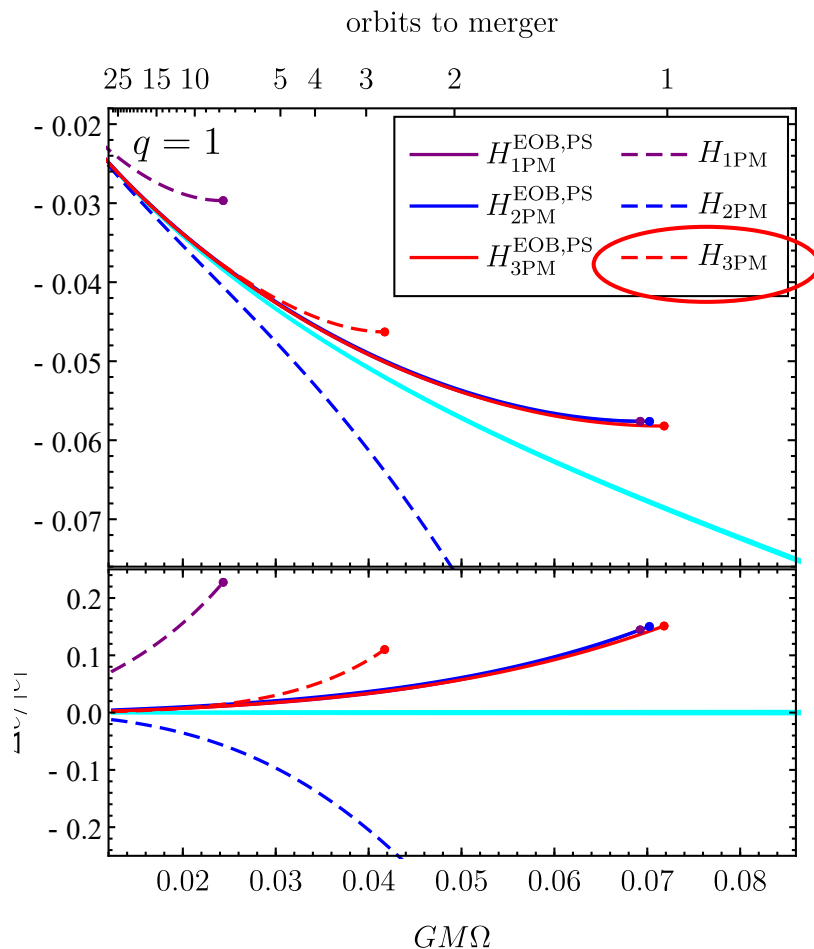
Gauge-invariant  
quantities

- Scattering amplitude
- Scattering angle
- Binding energy of quas-circular orbit



# REAL WORLD PREDICTION - BINDING ENERGY

Comparison with state-of-the-art numerical relativity ("truth"), PN, and EOB resummation predictions. [Antonelli, Buonanno, Steinhoff, Vines, '19]

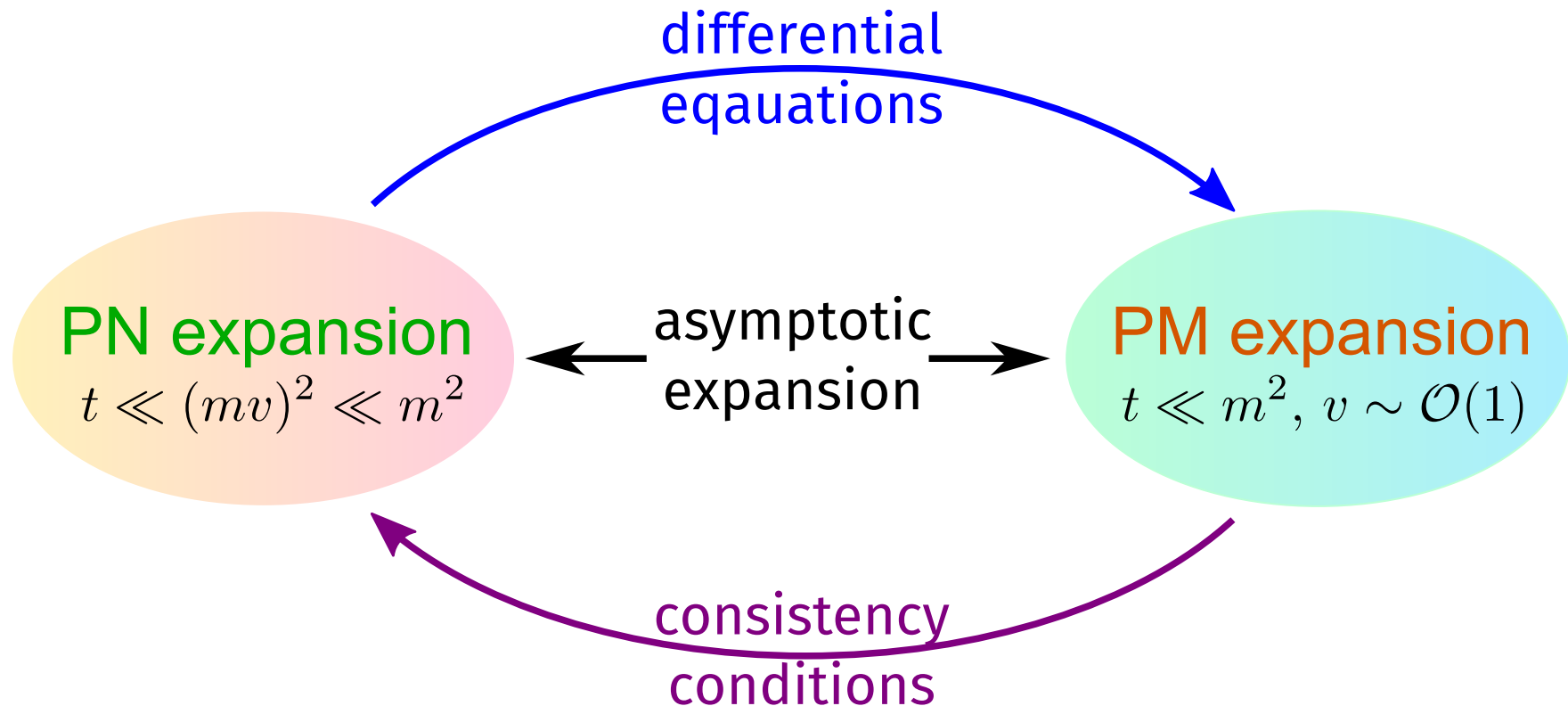


- *Clear improvement* over lower PM orders.
- Not reaching accuracy of 4PN.
- Hyperbolic orbit comparison desirable to assess PM approximation.
- *Wish list:* 4 PM / 3 loops!

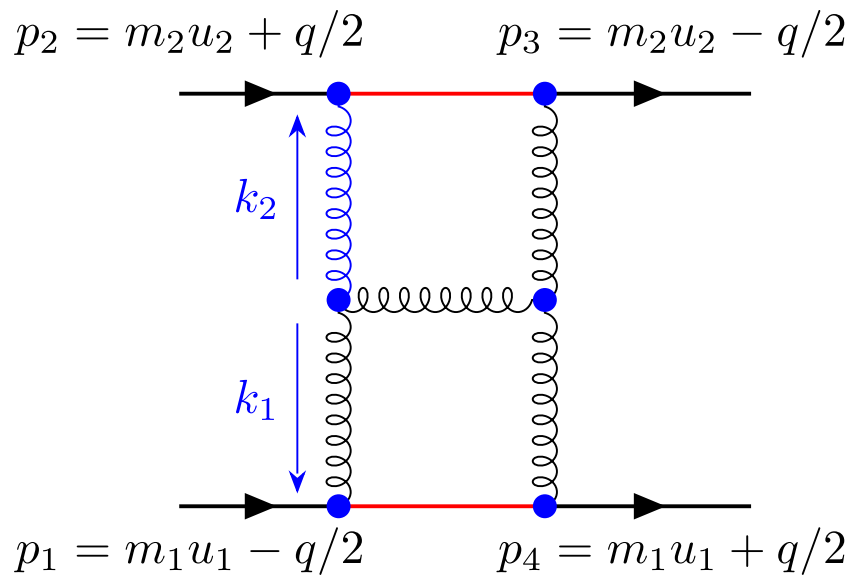


# RELATIVISTIC INTEGRATION

- Velocity resummation non-trivial! We can recover **exact  $v$  dependence** of amplitude, but not always every diagram.
- Desirable to perform relativistic integration. Powerful method: *differential equations*  
Kotikov, '91; Bern, Dixon, Kosower, '94;  
Remiddi, '97; Gehrmann, Remiddi, 99



# RELATIVISTIC INTEGRATION: EXPANSION



Perform soft expansion:

$$|k_1| \sim |k_2| \sim |q| \ll m_1, m_2, \sqrt{s}$$

Method of regions:

Beneke, Smirnov, '98

Heavy quark effective theory:

Georgi, Eichten, Hill, Isgur, Wise, Shifman...

Heavy BH effective theory:

Damgaard, Haddad, Helset, '19

## Kinematics

$$p_1^2 = m_1^2 + t/4, \quad p_2^2 = m_2^2 + t/4$$

$$u_1^2 = u_2^2 = 1, \quad u_1 \cdot u_2 = \sigma, \quad u_1 \cdot q = u_2 \cdot q = 0, \quad q^2 = t$$

only intrinsic  
scale of integral

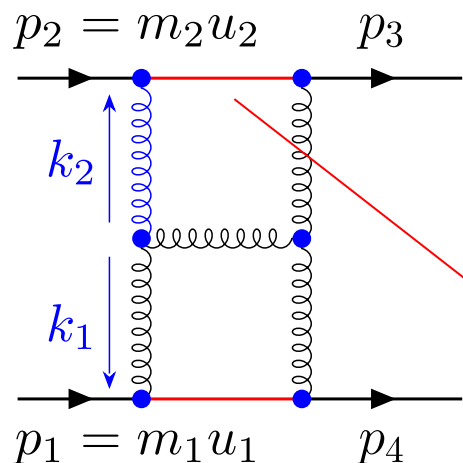
## Expand matter propagators

$$(k_2 + p_2)^2 - m_2^2 \approx 2m_2 u_2 \cdot k_2 + i0$$

$$(k_1 + p_1)^2 - m_1^2 \approx 2m_1 u_1 \cdot k_1 + i0$$

Soft integrals are  
functions of the  
dimensionless  
parameter  $\sigma$

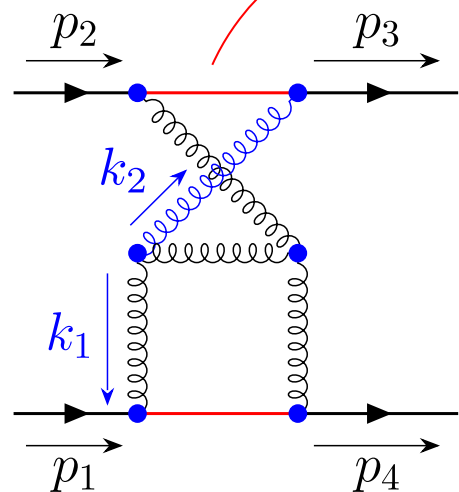
# LOCALIZATION ON MATTER POLES



**Classical picture** arises from nontrivial cross-talk between planar and nonplanar diagrams.

$$(k_2 + p_2)^2 - m_2^2 \approx 2m_2 u_2 \cdot k_2 + i0$$

$$(k_2 - p_3)^2 - m_2^2 \approx -2m_2 u_2 \cdot k_2 + i0$$



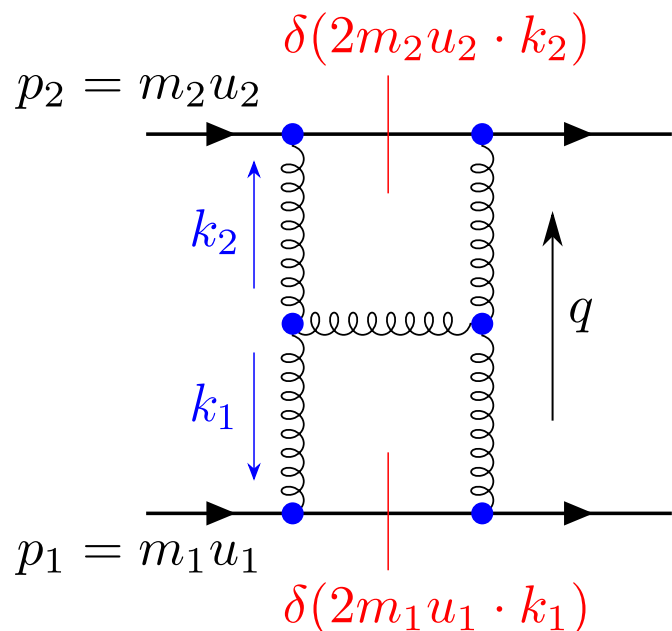
$$\frac{1}{2m_2 u_2 \cdot k_2 + i0} + \frac{1}{-2m_2 u_2 \cdot k_2 + i0} = -2\pi i \delta(2m_2 u_2 \cdot k_2)$$

Let's calculate the sum = **cut integrals**

instead of individual ones!

*cut integrals in other contexts: e.g. [Primo, Tancredi, '16, '17]*

# RELATIVISTIC INTEGRATION 1: CUT INTEGRALS



Ita, Ruf, MZ, in progress, simplified from  
Bern, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, MZ, '19

$$u_1 \cdot q = u_2 \cdot q = 0$$

$$u_1^2 = u_2^2 = 1, u_1 \cdot u_2 = \sigma, q^2 = t$$

nontrivial dependence on  
this dimensionless variable

only intrinsic scale  
of integral

$$F_{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_9} \equiv \int d^d k_1 d^d k_2 \frac{(k_1 \cdot u_2)^{p_1} (k_2 \cdot u_1)^{p_2} \delta^{(p_3)}(2u_1 \cdot k_1) \delta^{(p_4)}(2u_2 \cdot k_2)}{(k_1^2)^{p_5} ((k_1 + q)^2)^{p_6} (k_2^2)^{p_7} ((k_2 - q)^2)^{p_8} ((k_1 + k_2)^2)^{p_9}},$$

$$\sim |q|^{2d+p_1+p_2-p_3-p_4-2p_5-\dots-2p_9} \times \text{Dimensionless function of } \sigma$$

Even & odd powers decouple

**Integration by parts** reduces an infinite number of such integrals to **five** master integrals, in the even sector. Timing: < 1 minute, FIRE 6 [Smirnov '19]

# METHOD OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

- Many methods for evaluating "master integrals":
  - Parametric integration
  - Mellin-Barnes representation
  - Differential equations
- DEs especially powerful in *canonical form* [Henn, '13]

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \vec{I} = \epsilon \sum_r \frac{\partial \log W_r}{\partial x} \mathbb{M}^{(r)} \cdot \vec{I}$$

$\epsilon$  factorization      symbol letters      matrix of rational numbers

kinematic variable      pure UT master integrals

- Manifest *logarithmic singularity & uniform transcendentality*, intimately related to dlog forms [Arkani-Hamed, Bourjaily, Cachazo, Trnka, 2010...]
- Solved iteratively order by order in  $\epsilon$ , often as generalized polylogarithms. [Goncharov, Spradlin, Vergu, Volovich, 2010]

# DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH MATTER CUTS

[Ita, Ruf, MZ, *in progress*]

$$q^2 = t = -1, u_1^2 = u_2^2 = 1, u_1 \cdot u_2 = \sigma = \frac{1+x^2}{2x}, \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{static} \\ \nearrow \\ 1 > x > 0 \\ \nwarrow \\ \text{high-energy} \end{array}$$

$$I_1 = \sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1} \quad \begin{array}{c} m_2 u_2 \\ \text{---} \\ | \quad \diagdown \quad | \\ | \quad \diagup \quad | \\ \text{---} \\ m_1 u_1 \end{array}, \quad I_2 = \sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}/\epsilon \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad \diagdown \quad | \\ \bullet \quad \diagup \quad | \\ | \quad \diagup \quad | \\ \text{---} \end{array},$$

$$I_3 = \sigma/\epsilon \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \quad \diagdown \quad | \\ \bullet \quad \diagup \quad | \\ | \quad \diagup \quad | \\ \text{---} \end{array} - 1/\epsilon^2 \quad \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ | \quad \diagdown \quad | \\ | \quad \diagup \quad | \\ \bullet \\ \text{---} \end{array}, \quad d = 4 - 2\epsilon$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{pmatrix} = \epsilon \left[ \frac{d \log(1-x)}{dx} \mathbb{M}_1 + \frac{d \log x}{dx} \mathbb{M}_2 + \frac{d \log(1+x)}{dx} \mathbb{M}_3 \right] \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

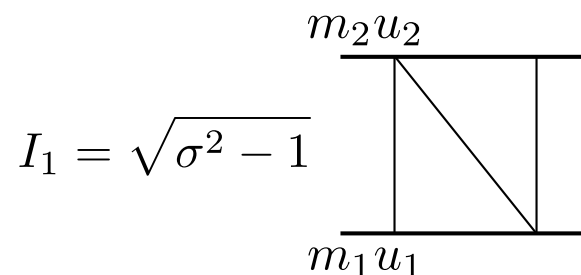
↙  
3×3 matrix

Canonical form [Henn, '13] found by automated software `epsilon` [Prausa, '17]. See also `Fuchsia` [Gituliar, Magerya, '17], `CANONICA` [Meyer, '17].

# DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS WITH MATTER CUTS

[Ita, Ruf, MZ, *in progress*]

$$u_1 \cdot u_2 = \sigma = \frac{1+x^2}{2x}, \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{static} \\ \nearrow \\ 1 > x > 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{high-energy} \\ \nearrow \\ 1 > x > 0 \end{array}$$



$$\frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{pmatrix} = \epsilon \left[ \frac{d \log(1-x)}{dx} \mathbb{M}_1 + \frac{d \log x}{dx} \mathbb{M}_2 + \frac{d \log(1+x)}{dx} \mathbb{M}_3 \right] \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbb{M}_1 = \mathbb{M}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbb{M}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 \\ 12 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

symbol alphabet:  
harmonic polylogs  
[Remiddi, Vermaseren' 99]

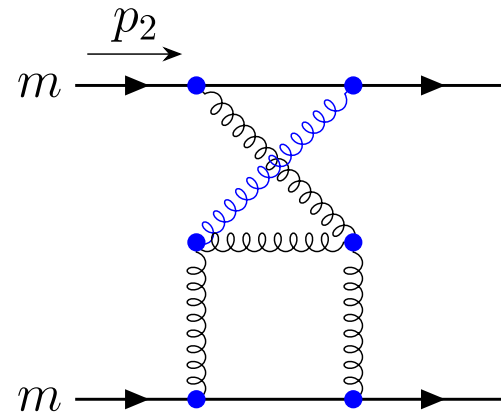
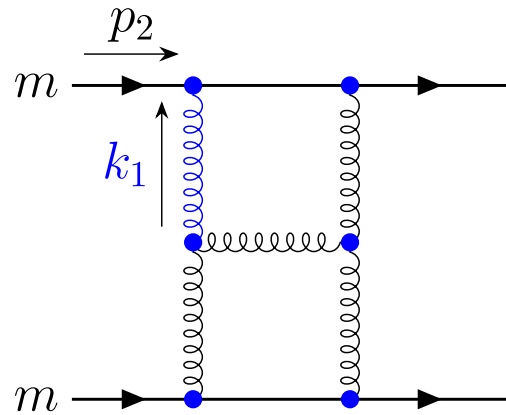
**Physical input: PN expansion has no  $\log(v) \sim \log(1-x)$  singularity**

$$\mathbb{M}_1 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \implies I_1|_{x=1} = I_2|_{x=1} = 0, \quad I_3|_{x=1} = Ct^{-2\epsilon}/\epsilon^2$$

$$I_1 = -(Ct^{-2\epsilon}/\epsilon) \log x + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0) \sim -4(\log t) \operatorname{arcsinh} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma-1}{2}}.$$

# COMPARISON WITH UNEXPANDED INTEGRAL

$m_1 = m_2$  results in [Bianchi, Leoni, 1612.05609], thanks to *Loopedia.org*.



$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = -\frac{(1-x)^2}{x}$$

25 master integrals

$$(I_H)|_{\epsilon^0} = -\frac{4}{3} \log(-t) \frac{x}{1-x^2} \left( \pi^2 \log x + \log^3 x \right) + (\text{non-singular in } t)$$

$$(I_{xH})|_{\epsilon^0} = -\frac{4}{3} \log(-t) \frac{-x}{1-x^2} \left( \pi^2 \log(-x) + \log^3(-x) \right) + (\text{non-singular in } t).$$

$$\log(x) \rightarrow \log(-x) + i\pi, \quad (I_H + I_{xH})|_{\epsilon^0} = 4\pi^2 \log(-t) \log(-x) + \text{imaginary}$$

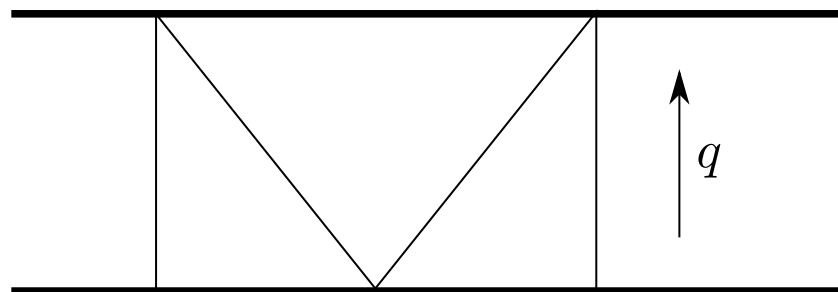
Agrees with our solutions of cut DEs in small  $t$  limit.



# FIRST GLIMPSE: 4PM / 3 LOOPS (Preliminary)

[Ita, Ruf, MZ, in progress]

$$p_2 = m_2 u_2$$



$$p_1 = m_1 u_1$$

$$u_1 \cdot u_2 = \sigma = \frac{1 + x^2}{2x}, \quad 1 > x > 0$$

- Simplest 3-loop topology; can work on *max. cut*.  
Obtain  $4 \times 4$  system of DEs. Symbol alphabet:  $x, 1 \pm x, 1 \pm ix$ .
- Regularity at  $x = 1$  fixes boundary conditions up to overall factor.
- **Scalar integral**  $\propto \frac{\sqrt{-t}}{\sigma} \left\{ 1 + \epsilon [14(x^2 - 1)^2 - 32x^2 \log \sigma + \dots] \right\}$ .
- Also solved 2- & 3-loop DEs **without cuts**. Matches FIESTA 4 [Smirnov]  
Status of other topologies: need to clean up  $\epsilon$ -dependent denominators for running **epsilon**.

# FUTURE OUTLOOK

- **Higher orders** within reach. Double copy + EFT methods expected to scale well.
- **Relativistic integration** to fully settle questions about velocity resummation; demonstrated feasibility at 3 loops.
- **Scattering amplitudes** begin to impact gravitational astronomy. Rich physics opportunities:

*Spin, finite-size effects in PM expansion* [Bini, Damour, '17; Vines, '17, Bini, Damour, '18; Guevera, Ochirov, Vines, '18; Vines, Steinhoff, Buonanno, '18; Chung, Huang, Kim, Lee, '18; Maybee O'Connell, Vines, '19; Guevara, Ochirov, Vines, '19]

*Tail effect / nonlocal potential from ultrasoft modes*

[Porto, Rothstein, '17]