

An eikonal approach to gravitational scattering and waveforms

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Two-Body Problem: Analytical Approximation Methods

- **Post-Newtonian (PN)**: expansion
“for small G and small v ”

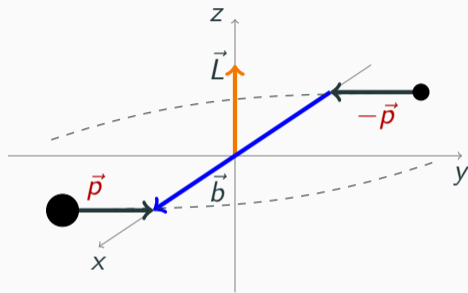
$$\frac{Gm}{rc^2} \sim \frac{v^2}{c^2} \ll 1.$$

- **Post-Minkowskian (PM)**: expansion
“for small G ”

$$\frac{Gm}{rc^2} \ll 1, \quad \text{generic } \frac{v^2}{c^2}.$$

- **Self-Force**: expansion
in the near-probe limit $m_2 \ll m_1$ or

$$m = m_1 + m_2, \quad \nu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m^2} \ll 1.$$



- **Soft limit**: expansion
in the limit of small frequencies

$$\omega \ll \frac{v}{r}.$$

General Relativity from Scattering Amplitudes

Key Idea: Extract the PM gravitational dynamics from scattering amplitudes.

- Weak-coupling expansion \leftrightarrow PM expansion

Weak-coupling: $\mathcal{A}_0 = \mathcal{O}(G)$ $\mathcal{A}_1 = \mathcal{O}(G^2)$ $\mathcal{A}_2 = \mathcal{O}(G^3)$ $\mathcal{A}_3 = \mathcal{O}(G^4)$

PM: 1PM 2PM 3PM 4PM

State of the art:

[Driesse et al. '24; Bern et al. '24]

5PM, 1SF from WQFT]

- Lorentz invariance \leftrightarrow generic velocities
- Study scattering events, then export to bound trajectories
(V_{eff} , analytic continuation...) [Kälin, Porto '19; Saketh, Steinhoff, Vines, Buonanno '21; Cho, Kälin, Porto '21]

Some Recent Progress



$$\mathcal{A}_0^{(4)} = \mathcal{O}(G)$$

[Geissler '59]

$$\mathcal{A}_1^{(4)} = \mathcal{O}(G^2)$$

[Westpfahl '85]

[Cheung, Rothstein, Solon '18]

[Collado, Di Vecchia, Russo '19]

$$\mathcal{A}_2^{(4)} = \mathcal{O}(G^3)$$

[Bern et al. '19]

[Di Vecchia, CH, Russo,

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[Damgaard et al. '21]

[Brandhuber et al. '21]

[Jakobsen et al. '22]

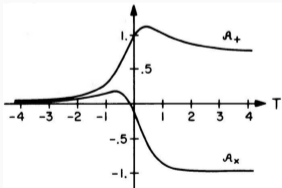
$$\mathcal{A}_3^{(4)} = \mathcal{O}(G^4)$$

[Bern et al. '21]

[Dlapa et al. '21, '22]

[Jakobsen et al. '22, '23]

[Damgaard et al. '23]



$$\mathcal{A}_0^{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{O}(G^{\frac{3}{2}})$$

[Kovacs, Thorne '78]

[Goldberger, Ridgway '16]

[Luna, Nicholson, O'Connell, White '17]

[Jakobsen, Mogull, Plefka, Steinhoff '21]

[Mougiakakos, Riva, Vernizzi '21]

[De Angelis, Gonzo, Novichkov '23]

[Brandhuber et al. '23]

[Aoude, Haddad, CH, Helset '23]

$$\mathcal{A}_1^{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{O}(G^{\frac{5}{2}})$$

[Brandhuber et al. '23]

[Herderschee, Roiban, Teng '23]

[Elkhidir, O'Connell, Sergola, Vazquez-Holm '23]

[Georgoudis, CH, Vazquez-Holm '23]

[Caron-Huot, Giroux, Hannesdottir, Mizera '23]

[Georgoudis, CH, Russo '23, '24]

[Bini et al. '24]

Ref. [Bini, Damour, Geralico '23] reports **mismatches** with MPM-PN formalism (?)

- **Universal constraints** on the soft expansion $\omega \rightarrow 0$ of the gravitational waveform:

$$\tilde{w}^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{i}{\omega} e^{2iGE\omega \log \omega} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (-i\omega \log \omega)^n a_n^{\mu\nu} + \dots$$

where $\dots \sim \omega^{n-1}(\log \omega)^m$ and $0 \leq m \leq n-1$, e.g. ω^0 or $\omega \log \omega$.

- Explicitly,

$$a_0^{\mu\nu} = \sum_a \frac{p_a^\mu p_a^\nu}{p_a \cdot n}, \quad a_1^{\mu\nu} = G \sum_{a,b} \frac{\tau_{ab}^{(\eta)} p_a^\mu}{p_a \cdot n} n_\rho p_{[b}^\rho p_{a]}^\nu, \quad a_2^{\mu\nu} = G^2 \sum_{a,b,c} \frac{\tau_{ab}^{(\eta)} \tau_{ac}^{(\eta)}}{p_a \cdot n} n_\rho p_{[b}^\rho p_{a]}^\mu n_\sigma p_{[c}^\sigma p_{a]}^\nu$$

and $\tau_{ab}^{(\eta)}$ is a function of the **invariants** $\sigma_{ab} = -\eta_a \eta_b p_a \cdot p_b / (m_a m_b)$
(with $\eta_a = +$ if the hard state is outgoing, -1 if it is incoming).

$$\tau_{ab}^{(\eta)} = |\eta_a + \eta_b| \tau_{ab}, \quad \tau_{ab} = -\frac{\sigma_{ab}(\sigma_{ab}^2 - \frac{3}{2})}{(\sigma_{ab}^2 - 1)^{3/2}} \quad \text{for GR.}$$

In general, it is fixed by the **IR divergences** of the theory.

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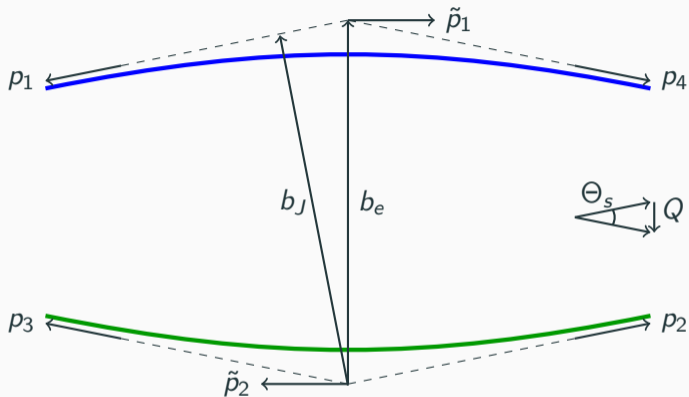
Kinematics of Classical Post-Minkowskian (PM) Scattering

$$\tilde{p}_1^\mu = m_1 \tilde{u}_1^\mu = \frac{1}{2}(p_4^\mu - p_1^\mu)$$

$$\tilde{p}_2^\mu = m_2 \tilde{u}_2^\mu = \frac{1}{2}(p_3^\mu - p_2^\mu)$$

$$Q^\mu = p_1^\mu + p_4^\mu = -p_2^\mu - p_3^\mu$$

$$b_e^\mu = b_J^\mu - \left(\frac{\check{v}_1^\mu}{2m_1} - \frac{\check{v}_2^\mu}{2m_2} \right) Q b$$



In this way, $v_1 \cdot b_J = v_2 \cdot b_J = 0$ and $\tilde{u}_1 \cdot b_e = \tilde{u}_2 \cdot b_e = 0$. Classical PM regime:

$$\frac{Gm^2}{\hbar} \gg 1, \quad \text{CL}$$

$$\frac{Gm}{b} \ll 1, \quad \text{PM}$$

$$\frac{\hbar}{m} \ll Gm \ll b$$

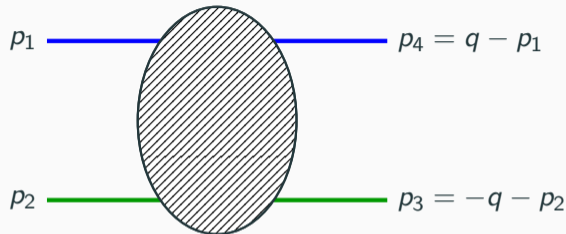
$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} \geq 1 \text{ (generic).}$$

Kinematics of the Elastic $2 \rightarrow 2$ Amplitude

$$\bar{p}_1^\mu = \frac{1}{2}(p_4^\mu - p_1^\mu)$$

$$\bar{p}_2^\mu = \frac{1}{2}(p_3^\mu - p_2^\mu)$$

$$\boxed{q^\mu} = p_1^\mu + p_4^\mu = -p_2^\mu - p_3^\mu$$



Defining velocities by $p_1^\mu = -m_1 v_1^\mu$, $p_2^\mu = -m_2 v_2^\mu$

$$\boxed{\sigma} = -v_1 \cdot v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2}}$$

with v the speed of either object as measured by the other one.

Dual velocities: $v_1^\mu = \sigma \check{v}_2^\mu + \check{v}_1^\mu$, $v_2^\mu = \sigma \check{v}_1^\mu + \check{v}_2^\mu$ obey $\check{v}_i \cdot v_j = -\delta_{ij}$.

The Elastic Eikonal

- From q to b : Fourier transform [$q \sim \mathcal{O}(\frac{\hbar}{b})$]

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}^{(4)}(b) = \frac{1}{4Ep} \int \frac{d^{D-2}q}{(2\pi)^{D-2}} e^{ib \cdot q} \mathcal{A}^{(4)}(q), \quad \boxed{1 + i\tilde{\mathcal{A}}^{(4)}(b) = e^{2i\delta(b)}}$$

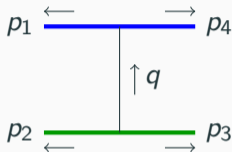
with $2\delta = 2\delta_0 + 2\delta_1 + 2\delta_2 + \dots \sim \frac{Gm^2}{\hbar} \left(\log b + \frac{Gm}{b} + \left(\frac{Gm}{b}\right)^2 + \dots \right)$

- From b to Q : stationary-phase approximation [$Q \sim \mathcal{O}(p \cdot \frac{Gm}{b})$]

$$\int d^{D-2}b e^{-ib \cdot Q} e^{i2\delta(b)} \implies Q_\mu = \frac{\partial \text{Re } 2\delta}{\partial b_e^\mu}$$

Tree-Level Amplitude and 1PM Impulse

- Tree-level amplitude in $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions



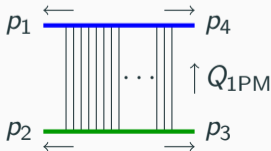
$$\mathcal{A}_0^{(4)}(q) = \frac{32\pi G m_1^2 m_2^2 (\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2-2\epsilon})}{q^2} + \dots$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0^{(4)}(b) = \frac{4G m_1 m_2 (\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2-2\epsilon})}{2\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \frac{\Gamma(-\epsilon)}{(\pi b^2)^{-\epsilon}}.$$

- Matching to the eikonal exponentiation [Kabat, Ortiz '92; Bjerrum-Bohr et al. '18]

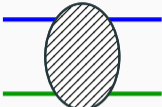
$$e^{2i\delta_0} \xrightarrow{\text{"small } G"} 1 + i\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0^{(4)} \implies 2\delta_0 = \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0^{(4)}.$$

- From $2\delta_0$, we obtain the leading-order deflection

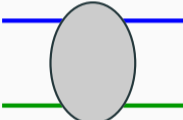


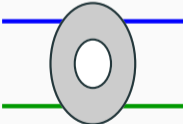
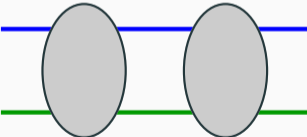
$$Q_{1\text{PM}} = -\frac{\partial 2\delta_0}{\partial b} = \frac{4G m_1 m_2 (\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2})}{b\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}}$$

$$\Theta_{1\text{PM}} = \frac{4GE (\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2})}{b(\sigma^2 - 1)}.$$

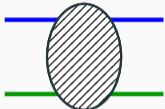
$$\mathcal{A}^{(4)} = \text{diagram} = \mathcal{A}_0^{(4)} + \mathcal{A}_1^{(4)} + \dots$$


with

$$\mathcal{A}_0^{(4)} = \text{diagram} = \frac{32\pi Gm_1^2 m_2^2 \left(\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2-2\epsilon} \right)}{q^2} + \mathcal{O}(q^0)$$


$$\mathcal{A}_1^{(4)} = \text{diagram} = \text{Re } \mathcal{A}_1^{(4)} + \frac{i}{2} \text{diagram}$$



$$\text{Re } \mathcal{A}_1^{(4)} = 2\pi Gm_1^2 m_2^2 (m_1 + m_2) \frac{3\pi(5\sigma^2 - 1)}{q} + \mathcal{O}(\log(q))$$



$$1 + i\text{FT} \sim e^{2i\delta}, \quad 2\delta = 2\delta_0 + 2\delta_1 + \dots \quad Q_\mu = \frac{\partial 2\delta}{\partial b_e^\mu}$$

- **Tree level:** $i\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0 = 2i\delta_0$, so

$$2\delta_0 = \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_0^{(4)} = \frac{2Gm^2\nu(\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2-2\epsilon})}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \frac{\Gamma(-\epsilon)}{(\pi b^2)^{-\epsilon}}, \quad Q_{1\text{PM}}^\mu = -\frac{4Gm^2\nu(\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2})}{b\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \frac{b_e^\mu}{b}.$$

- **One loop:** By the exponentiation $i\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_1 - \frac{1}{2!}(2i\delta_0)^2 = i\text{Re}\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_1 = 2i\delta_1$, so

$$2\delta_1 = \text{Re}\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_1^{(4)} = \frac{3\pi G^2 m^3 \nu (5\sigma^2 - 1)}{4b\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}}, \quad Q_{2\text{PM}}^\mu = -\frac{3\pi G^2 m^3 \nu (5\sigma^2 - 1)}{4b^2\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \frac{b_e^\mu}{b}.$$

The 3PM Eikonal in General Relativity [Di Vecchia, CH, Russo, Veneziano '20, '21]

[Related work at 3PM: Bern, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng '19; Damour '20; Herrmann, Parra-Martinez, Ruf, Zeng '21, Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard,

Planté, Vanhove '21; Brandhuber, Chen, Travaglini, Wen '21]

- Eikonal phase:

$$\text{Re } 2\delta_2 = \frac{4G^3 m_1^2 m_2^2}{b^2} \left[\frac{s(12\sigma^4 - 10\sigma^2 + 1)}{2m_1 m_2 (\sigma^2 - 1)^{\frac{3}{2}}} - \frac{\sigma(14\sigma^2 + 25)}{3\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} - \frac{4\sigma^4 - 12\sigma^2 - 3}{\sigma^2 - 1} \text{arccosh } \sigma \right] + \text{Re } 2\delta_2^{\text{RR}}$$

with

$$\text{Re } 2\delta_2^{\text{RR}} = \frac{G}{2} Q_{\text{1PM}}^2 \mathcal{I}(\sigma), \quad \mathcal{I}(\sigma) \equiv \frac{8 - 5\sigma^2}{3(\sigma^2 - 1)} + \frac{\sigma(2\sigma^2 - 3)}{(\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2}} \text{arccosh } \sigma.$$

- Infrared divergent exponential suppression:

$$\text{Im } 2\delta_2 = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[-\frac{1}{\epsilon} + \log(\sigma^2 - 1) \right] \text{Re } 2\delta_2^{\text{RR}} + \dots$$

At high energy, as $\sigma \rightarrow \infty$ and $s \sim 2m_1 m_2 \sigma$, i.e. in the massless limit:

- The *complete* eikonal phase is smooth, **although** the conservative and radiation-reaction parts separately diverge like $\log \sigma$
- Its expression is the same in $\mathcal{N} = 8$ supergravity and in GR,

$$\text{Re } 2\delta_2 \sim Gs \frac{\Theta_s^2}{4}, \quad \Theta_s \sim \frac{4G\sqrt{s}}{b}$$

in agreement with [Amati, Ciafaloni, Veneziano '90].

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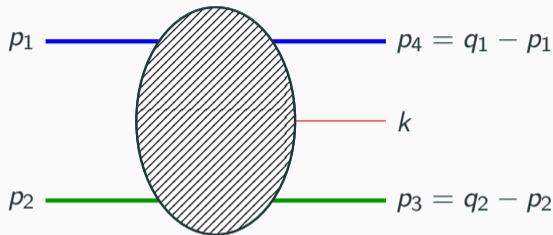
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$$\boxed{q_2^\mu} = p_2^\mu + p_3^\mu$$

$$0 = q_1^\mu + q_2^\mu + k^\mu$$



More invariants, besides q_1^2 , q_2^2 , also

$$\boxed{\sigma} = -v_1 \cdot v_2, \quad \boxed{\omega_1} = -v_1 \cdot k, \quad \boxed{\omega_2} = -v_2 \cdot k.$$

We denote by E , ω the total energy and the graviton frequency in the CoM frame,

$$E = \sqrt{-(p_1 + p_2)^2}, \quad \omega = \frac{1}{E} (p_1 + p_2) \cdot k = \frac{1}{E} (m_1 \omega_1 + m_2 \omega_2), \quad \alpha_{1,2} = \frac{\omega_{1,2}}{\omega}. \quad 19$$

2 \rightarrow 3 Amplitude up to One Loop

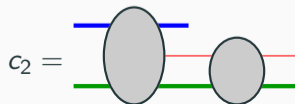
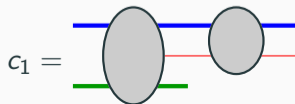
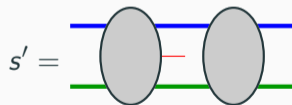
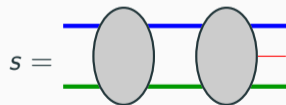
[Brandhuber et al. '23; Herderschee, Roiban, Teng 23; Elkhidir, O'Connell, Sergola, Vazquez-Holm '23] [Georgoudis, CH, Vazquez-Holm '23]

$$\mathcal{A} = \text{[Diagram: A shaded oval with two blue lines on top and two green lines on bottom, and a red line on the right side]} = \mathcal{A}_0 + \mathcal{A}_1 + \dots$$

with \mathcal{A}_0 the tree-level amplitude, and

$$\mathcal{A}_1 = \mathcal{B}_1 + \frac{i}{2}(s + s') + \frac{i}{2}(c_1 + c_2).$$

where $\mathcal{B}_1 = \text{Re } \mathcal{A}_1$ and the unitarity cuts can be depicted as follows,



Eikonal Exponentiation of Graviton Exchanges + Coherent Radiation:

$$e^{2i\hat{\delta}(b_1, b_2)} = e^{i \operatorname{Re} 2\delta(b)} e^{i \int_k [\tilde{W}(k)a^\dagger(k) + \tilde{W}^*(k)a(k)]}.$$

- Final state, schematically:

$$|\text{out}\rangle = e^{2i\hat{\delta}(b_1, b_2)} |\text{in}\rangle$$

- Unitarity:

$$\langle \text{out} | \text{out} \rangle = \langle \text{in} | \text{in} \rangle = 1$$

- The asymptotic metric fluctuation $h_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - \eta_{\mu\nu}$ sourced by the scattering (the waveform) is expressed formally as

$$h_{\mu\nu}(x) = \sqrt{32\pi G} \langle \text{out} | \hat{H}_{\mu\nu}(x) | \text{out} \rangle \sim \frac{4G}{\kappa r} \int_0^\infty e^{-i\omega U} \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}(\omega n) \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} + (\text{c.c.})$$

where $\kappa = \sqrt{8\pi G}$, r is the distance from the observer and U the retarded time.
Normalization $\tilde{W}^{\mu\nu} = \kappa \tilde{w}^{\mu\nu}$.

- Working with “eikonal” variables, we can use the following radiation kernel,

$$W = \mathcal{A}_0 + \left[\mathcal{B}_1 + \frac{i}{2} (c_1 + c_2) \right].$$

- Tree level:** \mathcal{A}_0 is a relatively simple rational function
- One loop:** We isolate the even and odd parts of \mathcal{B}_1 under $\omega_{1,2} \mapsto -\omega_{1,2}$,

$$\mathcal{B}_1 = \mathcal{B}_{1O} + \mathcal{B}_{1E},$$

and \mathcal{B}_{1O} is fixed in terms of the tree-level amplitude,

$$\mathcal{B}_{1O} = \left[1 - \frac{\sigma (\sigma^2 - \frac{3}{2})}{(\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2}} \right] \pi G E \omega \mathcal{A}_0$$

while

$$\mathcal{B}_{1E} = \left[\frac{A_{\omega_1}^R}{\omega_1^2 (q_2^2 + \omega_1^2)^{7/2}} + \frac{A_{q_1}^R}{\omega_2^2 q_1} \right] \frac{m_1^3 m_2^2}{q_2^2 Q_1^4} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2).$$

- Here, A_X^R are polynomials and $Q_1 = (q_1^2 - q_2^2)^2 - 4q_1^2 \omega_1^2$

The imaginary part is determined by the **rescattering** or Compton cuts, for instance

$$\frac{i}{2} c_1 = iGm_1\omega_1 \left(-\frac{1}{\epsilon} + \log \frac{\omega_1^2}{\mu_{\text{IR}}^2} \right) [\mathcal{A}_0]_{D=4} + im_1^3 m_2^2 \mathcal{M}^{m_1^3 m_2^2},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^{m_1^3 m_2^2} = & \frac{A'_{\text{rat}}}{q_1^2 q_2^2 (\sigma^2 - 1) \omega_1 \omega_2^2 (q_2^2 + \omega_1^2)^3 Q_1^3 \mathcal{P} Q} \\ & + \frac{A'_{\omega_1}}{q_2^2 \omega_1^2 (q_2^2 + \omega_1^2)^3 \mathcal{P} Q_1^4} \operatorname{arcsinh} \frac{\omega_1}{q_2} + \frac{A'_{q_1}}{q_2^2 \omega_1 (\sigma^2 - 1) \mathcal{P}^2 Q^2} \frac{\operatorname{arccosh} \sigma}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \\ & + \frac{A'_{\omega_1 \omega_2}}{\omega_1 \omega_2^2 \mathcal{P}^2 Q^2} \log \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_2^2} + \frac{A'_{q_1 q_2}}{q_1^2 q_2^2 Q_1^4 \mathcal{P} Q^2} \log \frac{q_1^2}{q_2^2} \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\mathcal{P} = -\omega_1^2 + 2\omega_1\omega_2\sigma - \omega_2^2, \quad \mathcal{Q} = (q_1^2)^2\omega_1^2 - 2q_1^2 q_2^2 \omega_1\omega_2\sigma + (q_2^2)^2\omega_2^2.$$

- Infrared divergences exponentiate in momentum space,

$$W = e^{-\frac{i}{\epsilon} GE\omega} \left[\mathcal{A}_0 + \mathcal{B}_1 + \frac{i}{2} (c_1 + c_2)^{\text{reg}} \right] = e^{-\frac{i}{\epsilon} GE\omega} W^{\text{reg}},$$

where

$$\frac{i}{2} c_1^{\text{reg}} = \frac{i}{2} c_1 + \frac{i}{\epsilon} Gm_1\omega_1 \mathcal{A}_0$$

- This also **modifies the finite part** by $\frac{i}{\epsilon} Gm_1\omega_1$ times the $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ part of \mathcal{A}_0 .
- After this step, the divergence can be canceled by redefining the origin of retarded time, arriving at the following well defined expression

$$h_{\mu\nu}(x) \sim \frac{4G}{\kappa r} \int_0^\infty e^{-i\omega U} \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{reg}}(\omega n) \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} + (\text{c.c.}),$$

See also [Bini, Damour, De Angelis, Geralico, Herderschee, Roiban, Teng '24]

Universal Terms ω^{-1} , $\log \omega$, $\omega(\log \omega)^2$

- Leading $1/\omega$ soft term (memory effect in time domain) [matches Weinberg '64; Sahoo, Sen '18; '21]

$$\tilde{W}^{[\omega^{-1}]} = \frac{i\kappa Q}{b\omega\tilde{\alpha}_1^2\tilde{\alpha}_2^2}(\tilde{\alpha}_1\tilde{u}_2 \cdot \varepsilon - \tilde{\alpha}_2\tilde{u}_1 \cdot \varepsilon)(2\tilde{\alpha}_1\tilde{\alpha}_2 b_e \cdot \varepsilon + b_e \cdot n(\tilde{\alpha}_1\tilde{u}_2 \cdot \varepsilon + \tilde{\alpha}_2\tilde{u}_1 \cdot \varepsilon))$$

- Subleading $\log \omega$ soft term [matches Sahoo, Sen '18; '21]

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{W}^{[\log \omega]} &= \kappa \frac{2Gm_1 m_2 \sigma (2\sigma^2 - 3)}{\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{\alpha}_2 (\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2}} (\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{u}_2 \cdot \varepsilon - \tilde{\alpha}_2 \tilde{u}_1 \cdot \varepsilon)^2 \log \left(\frac{\omega b e^\gamma}{2\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \right) \\ &\quad + 2iGE\omega \tilde{W}_0^{[\omega^{-1}]} \log \omega\end{aligned}$$

- Sub-subleading $\omega(\log \omega)^2$ soft term [matches Sahoo, Sen '18; '21]

$$\tilde{W}^{[\omega(\log \omega)^2]} = 2iGE\omega \tilde{W}_0^{[\log \omega]} \log \omega$$

- Considering an elastic $2 \rightarrow 2$ hard process, let us define

$$E = (p_1 + p_2) \cdot n, \quad B^{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2) = (p_1 + p_2) \cdot n \left(\frac{p_1^\mu p_1^\nu}{p_1 \cdot n} + \frac{p_2^\mu p_2^\nu}{p_2 \cdot n} \right) - (p_1^\mu + p_2^\mu)(p_1^\nu + p_2^\nu).$$

- Then, the known soft theorems [Sahoo, Sen '18; '21] for $\ell = 0, 1, 2$ reduce to (define $h(\sigma) = \sigma(2\sigma^2 - 3)/(\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2}$)

$$a_\ell^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{E} (-GEh(\sigma))^\ell \left[B^{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2) - (-1)^\ell B^{\mu\nu}(p_3, p_4) \right]$$

- We **conjecture** that this expression generalizes to **any** $\ell \geq 0$.

- Frequency-domain resummation

$$\tilde{w}^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{i}{E\omega} \omega^{2iGE\omega} \left[\omega^{iGE\omega h(\sigma)} B^{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2) - \omega^{-iGE\omega h(\sigma)} B^{\mu\nu}(p_3, p_4) \right] + \dots$$

- Cross-checks:** Newtonian quadrupole as $p_\infty \rightarrow 0$ to all orders in G (for generic GM/bp_∞^2); 2PN approximation up to $\mathcal{O}(G^3)$ [Bini, Damour, Geralico '24]; near-probe limit $\nu \rightarrow 0$ [Fucito, Morales, Russo '24].

- Non-universal ω^0 piece of the tree-level result,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{W}_0^{[\omega^0]} = & \kappa(\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{u}_2 \cdot \varepsilon - \tilde{\alpha}_2 \tilde{u}_1 \cdot \varepsilon)^2 \left[\frac{Gm_1 m_2 \sigma (2\sigma^2 - 3)}{\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{\alpha}_2 (\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2}} \log(\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{\alpha}_2) - \frac{2Gm_1 m_2 (2\sigma^2 - 1)}{\tilde{\mathcal{P}} \sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \right] \\ & + \frac{4Gm_1 m_2}{\tilde{\mathcal{P}}} \left[\frac{(\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{u}_2 \cdot \varepsilon - \tilde{\alpha}_2 \tilde{u}_1 \cdot \varepsilon)^2}{\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{\alpha}_2 \tilde{\mathcal{P}}} \left(g_3 \operatorname{arccosh} \sigma + g_2 \log \frac{\tilde{\alpha}_1}{\tilde{\alpha}_2} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{2\sigma^2 - 1}{2b^2 \tilde{\alpha}_1^2 \sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} g_1 \right] + ib_2 \cdot n \omega \tilde{W}_0^{[\omega^{-1}]} . \end{aligned}$$

- For this one, both regions are needed!

- **Tree-level $\omega \log \omega$ piece** [matches Ghosh, Sahoo '21]

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{W}_0^{[\omega \log \omega]} &= \kappa \frac{2iGm_1 m_2 \sigma (2\sigma^2 - 3)}{\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{\alpha}_2 (\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2}} (\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{u}_2 \cdot \varepsilon - \tilde{\alpha}_2 \tilde{u}_1 \cdot \varepsilon) \\ &\quad \times [\tilde{\alpha}_1 \tilde{\alpha}_2 b_e \cdot \varepsilon + \tilde{\alpha}_2 (b_1 \cdot n)(\tilde{u}_1 \cdot \varepsilon) - \tilde{\alpha}_1 (b_2 \cdot n)(\tilde{u}_2 \cdot \varepsilon)] \omega \log \omega \end{aligned}$$

- Non-universal **one-loop $\omega \log \omega$ piece**. \mathcal{B}_{1O} contributes in the obvious way, while \mathcal{B}_{1E} does not contribute. Finally,

$$\frac{i}{2}(\tilde{c}_1 + \tilde{c}_2)^{[\omega \log \omega]} = iGE \left[-\frac{1}{\epsilon} + \log \frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}{\mu_{\text{IR}}^2} \right] \omega \tilde{W}_0^{[\log \omega]} + 2iGE \omega \log \omega \tilde{W}_0^{[\omega^0]} + i\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_1^{[\omega \log \omega]}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} i\tilde{\mathcal{M}}_1^{[\omega \log \omega]} &= i\kappa \omega \log \omega G^2 m_1^2 m_2 \frac{2\sigma(\alpha_1 u_2 \cdot \varepsilon - \alpha_2 u_1 \cdot \varepsilon)^2}{(\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2} \tilde{\mathcal{P}}} \\ &\quad \times \left[\frac{2\sigma^2 - 3}{\tilde{\mathcal{P}}} \left(f_3 \frac{\text{arccosh } \sigma}{(\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2}} + f_2 \frac{1}{\alpha_2} \log \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2} \right) - \frac{f_1}{\alpha_2(\sigma^2 - 1)} \right] + (1 \leftrightarrow 2). \end{aligned} \quad 28$$

- The result for the $\omega \log \omega$ term was given explicitly in the PN expansion using the Multipolar post-Minkowskian (MPM) formalism in [Bini, Damour, Geralico '23], where a mismatch was found when comparing with the amplitude-based result starting at 2.5PN ($\sim 1/c^5$)
- We find that **agreement is restored** after performing the following **supertranslation** [Veneziano, Vilkovisky '22]

$$U \mapsto U - T(n), \quad T(n) = 2G(m_1 \alpha_1 \log \alpha_1 + m_2 \alpha_2 \log \alpha_2)$$

or more precisely

$$\delta_T h_{AB} = -T(n) \partial_u h_{AB} + r [2D_A D_B - \gamma_{AB} \Delta] T(n)$$

where only the first term on the RHS (the non-static one) matters.

Here, $n^\mu = (1, \hat{n})$, $e_A^\mu = \partial_A n^\mu$, $h_{AB} = r^2 e_A^\mu e_B^\nu h_{\mu\nu}$, $\gamma_{AB} = e_A \cdot e_B$, D_A is the associated covariant derivative, $\Delta = D_A D^A$.

The PN Limit

- The **PN expansion** is defined by the limit

$$p_\infty = \sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1} = \mathcal{O}(\lambda), \quad \omega = \mathcal{O}(\lambda) \quad \text{as } \lambda \rightarrow 0$$

- Each instance of the Newton constant G increases the PN order by **one unit**.
- Each power of λ increases it by **half a unit**.

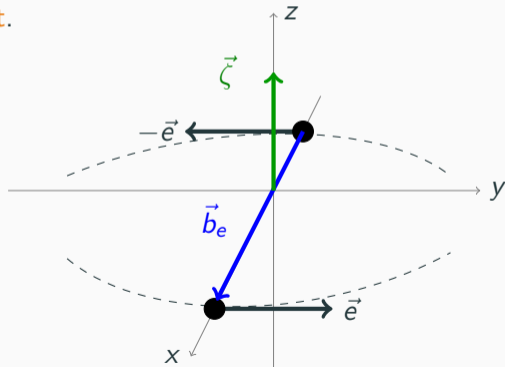
Reference vectors in the CoM frame:

$$t^\alpha = (1, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$b_e^\alpha = (0, b, 0, 0)$$

$$e^\alpha = (0, 0, 1, 0)$$

$$\zeta^\mu = (0, 0, 0, 1)$$



- We define the dimensionless frequency

$$u = \frac{\omega b}{p_\infty},$$

which does not scale in the PN limit.

- It is convenient to express the waveform in terms of “multipoles”, i.e. symmetric trace-free (STF) tensors $U_L(u)$, $V_L(u)$,

$$h_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = \frac{4G}{r} \sum_{\ell=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\ell!} \left[n_{L-2} U_{ijL-2}(u) - \frac{2\ell}{\ell+1} n_{cL-2} \epsilon_{cd(i} V_{j)dL-2}(u) \right]^{\text{TT}}$$

(decomposition into symmetric, traceless tensors with definite Δ -eigenvalue)

- Order by order in the PN expansion, only the first few U_L , V_L show up.
- **We computed all building blocks of the kernel to NNNLO** in the small λ limit and extracted the associated multipoles.

Newtonian quadrupole at tree level,

$$U_{11}^{\text{LO}} = -\frac{4Gm^2\nu}{3p_\infty}(K_0(u) + 3uK_1(u)),$$

$$U_{12}^{\text{LO}} = -\frac{4iGm^2\nu}{p_\infty}(uK_0(u) + K_1(u)),$$

$$U_{22}^{\text{LO}} = \frac{4Gm^2\nu}{3p_\infty}(2K_0(u) + 3uK_1(u)),$$

$$U_{33}^{\text{LO}} = -\frac{4Gm^2\nu K_0(u)}{3p_\infty}$$

1PN correction to the quadrupole due to \mathcal{B}_{1E} ,

$$U_{E11} = -U_{E22} = -\frac{6\pi G^2 m^3 \nu}{bp_\infty}(1+u)e^{-u},$$

$$U_{E12} = -\frac{6i\pi G^2 m^3 \nu}{bp_\infty}\left(\frac{1}{u} + 1 + u\right)e^{-u},$$

while e.g. one component at 2PN is

$$U_{E33}^{\text{NLO}} = -\frac{\pi G^2 m^3 \nu p_\infty}{b}(2\nu - 5)(u + 1)e^{-u}.$$

- Integer PN terms arise from various corrections to the trajectories.
- Half-odd PN: Tail formula

$$U_L^{\text{tail}} = \frac{2GE}{c^3} i\omega U_L^{\text{tree}} \left(\log \frac{\omega}{\mu_{\text{IR}}} - \kappa_\ell - \frac{i\pi}{2} \right)$$

(similarly for $V_L(u)$ with π_ℓ)

- Half-odd PN: Nonlinear effects, e.g.

$$U_{ij}^{QQ} = \frac{G}{c^5} \left[\frac{1}{7} I_{a\langle i}^{(5)} I_{j\rangle a} - \frac{5}{7} I_{a\langle i}^{(4)} I_{j\rangle a}^{(1)} - \frac{2}{7} I_{a\langle i}^{(3)} I_{j\rangle a}^{(2)} \right]$$

- Half-odd PN: Radiation-reaction

$$x_{RR}^\mu = \frac{8G^2 m^2 p_\infty^\nu}{5b^2 r} (b^2 e^\mu - (r + p_\infty t) b_e^\mu) \quad U_{ij}^{RR} = 2m\nu \frac{d^2}{dt^2} (x_{\langle i} x_{j\rangle}^{RR})$$

We checked that C^{reg} completely agrees with the MPM prediction given by tail+nonlinear+radiation-reaction up to and including 2.5PN.

See also [Bini, Damour, De Angelis, Geralico, Herderschee, Roiban, Teng '24]

Introduction

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Energy and Angular Momentum Losses

- The **operator insertion** $\langle \text{out} | \hat{P}^\alpha | \text{out} \rangle = P^\alpha$ leads to

$$P^\alpha = \int_k k^\alpha \rho(k), \quad \int_k = \int 2\pi \theta(k^0) \delta(k^2) \frac{d^D k}{(2\pi)^D}$$

where the spectral emission rate ρ is given by

$$\rho = \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{TT}*} \tilde{W}^{\text{TT}\mu\nu} = \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^* \left(\eta^{\mu\rho} \eta^{\nu\sigma} - \frac{1}{D-2} \eta^{\mu\nu} \eta^{\rho\sigma} \right) \tilde{W}_{\rho\sigma}$$

Note the equivalence between the two expressions, with

$$\tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{TT}} = \Pi_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^{\text{TT}} \tilde{W}^{\rho\sigma}, \quad k_\mu \tilde{W}^{\mu\nu}(k) = 0.$$

- We can choose the TT projector to be space-like in the CoM frame, so that

$$\kappa^2 P^0 \equiv \kappa^2 E_{\text{rad}} = G \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{\pi} \oint \frac{d\Omega}{2\pi} \omega^2 \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}*} \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}},$$

$$\kappa^2 P^i = G \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{\pi} \oint \frac{d\Omega}{2\pi} \omega^2 n^i \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}*} \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}},$$

Using the explicit waveforms obtained in the PN limit, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{\text{rad}}/(m\nu^2) &= \frac{G^3 m^3}{b^3} \pi p_\infty \left[\frac{37}{15} + \left(\frac{1357}{840} - \frac{37\nu}{30} \right) p_\infty^2 \right] \\
 &+ \frac{G^4 m^4}{b^4 p_\infty} \left[\frac{1568}{45} + \left(\frac{18608}{525} - \frac{1136}{45} \nu \right) p_\infty^2 \right] \\
 &+ \frac{G^4 m^4}{b^4} p_\infty^2 \left[\frac{3136}{45} + \left(\frac{1216}{105} - \frac{2272}{45} \nu \right) p_\infty^2 \right] \\
 &+ \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P^i/(m\nu^2\sqrt{1-4\nu}) &= \frac{G^3 m^3}{b^3} \pi \left[-\frac{37}{30} p_\infty^2 + \left(\frac{37}{60} \nu - \frac{839}{1680} \right) p_\infty^4 \right] e^i \\
 &+ \frac{G^4 m^4}{b^4} \left[-\frac{64}{3} + \left(\frac{32}{3} \nu - \frac{1664}{175} \right) p_\infty^2 \right] e^i \\
 &+ \frac{G^4 m^4}{b^4} p_\infty^3 \left[\left(\frac{1491}{400} - \frac{26757}{5600} p_\infty^2 \right) \pi \frac{b_e^i}{b} \right. \\
 &\left. + \left(-\frac{128}{3} + \left(\frac{64}{3} \nu - \frac{192}{75} \right) p_\infty^2 \right) e^i \right] \\
 &+ \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

The component along b_e^μ of P_{rad}^μ is sensitive to C^{reg} and the $\epsilon/\epsilon!$

Perfect agreement with [Bini, Damour, Geralico '21; '22; Dlapa, Kälin, Liu, Neef, Porto '22]

- The resummed waveform in the **soft limit** gives universal results for the “leading logs” (LL) of the type $(\omega \log \omega)^n$ in the energy emission spectrum $dE/d\omega$.
- In the CoM frame we find, expanding for **small deflections** $Q \rightarrow 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{dE}{d\omega}\right)_{\text{LL}} &= [1 - \cos(2GEh(\sigma)\omega \log \omega)] \frac{2G}{\pi} \mathcal{H}(m_1, m_2, \sigma) \\ &\quad + \cos(2GEh(\sigma)\omega \log \omega) \frac{GQ^2}{\pi} \mathcal{I}(\sigma) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

fixing $G^{2n+1}(\omega \log \omega)^{2n}$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $G^{2n+3}(\omega \log \omega)^{2n}$ for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ (see the additional material for the functions $\mathcal{H}(m_1, m_2, \sigma)$ and $\mathcal{I}(\sigma)$).

- In the **ultrarelativistic** limit instead

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{dE}{d\omega}\right)_{\text{LL}} &= \frac{4G}{\pi} [\sin(2G\sqrt{s}\omega \log \omega)]^2 s \\ &\quad + \frac{4G}{\pi} \cos(4G\sqrt{s}\omega \log \omega) \left[Q^2 \log\left(\frac{s}{Q^2} - 1\right) - s \log\left(1 - \frac{Q^2}{s}\right) \right] + \dots \end{aligned} \quad 37$$

Emitted Angular Momentum

- $\langle \text{out} | \hat{J}_{\alpha\beta} | \text{out} \rangle = \mathbf{J}_{\alpha\beta} + \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{tot}}$
- Radiative contribution

$$i\mathbf{J}_{\alpha\beta} = \int_k \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\tilde{w}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{TT}*} k_{[\alpha} \frac{\partial \tilde{w}^{\text{TT}\mu\nu}}{\partial k^{\beta]} } - \tilde{w}^{\text{TT}\mu\nu} k_{[\alpha} \frac{\partial \tilde{w}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{TT}*}}{\partial k^{\beta]} } \right) + 2\tilde{w}_{\mu[\alpha}^{\text{TT}*} \tilde{w}_{\beta]}^{\text{TT}\mu} \right]$$

or equivalently [Manohar, Ridgway, Shen '22] [Di Vecchia, CH, Russo '22]

$$i\mathbf{J}_{\alpha\beta} = \int_k \left[\left(\eta^{\mu\rho} \eta^{\nu\sigma} - \frac{1}{D-2} \eta^{\mu\nu} \eta^{\rho\sigma} \right) \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^* k_{[\alpha} \frac{\overset{\leftrightarrow}{\partial}}{\partial k^{\beta]} } \tilde{W}_{\rho\sigma} + 2\eta^{\mu\nu} \tilde{W}_{\mu[\alpha}^* \tilde{W}_{\beta]\nu} \right].$$

- In particular, for the spatial components in the CoM frame [Compère, Oliveri, Seraj '19],

$$\kappa^2 \mathbf{J}^{ij} = G \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{i\pi} \oint \frac{d\Omega}{2\pi} \tilde{w}_{ab}^* \partial_A \tilde{w}_{ab} \omega \gamma^{AB} n^{[i} \partial_B n^{j]} + 2G \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{i\pi} \oint \frac{d\Omega}{2\pi} \tilde{w}^{*a[i} \tilde{w}^{j]a} \omega.$$

Emitted Mass Dipole

- The emitted **mass-dipole** or boost charge J_{i0} is related to the initial position of the center of mass of the system (times the energy) Z_i by

$$J_{i0} = -\dot{L}_{i0} = \dot{Z}_i.$$

- The mass-dipole (space/time) components inherit a **time-translation ambiguity** from the infrared divergences (“drift”) in the waveform.
- We can subtract this off by defining

$$\mathbf{M}_i = \mathbf{J}_{i0} - \int t \dot{P}_i dt$$

- Explicitly [Compère, Oliveri, Seraj '19]

$$\kappa^2 \mathbf{J}_{i0} = G \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{i\pi} \oint \frac{d\Omega}{4\pi} \left(\tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}*} \omega \partial_\omega \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}} - \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}} \omega \partial_\omega \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}*} \right) \omega n_i + \kappa^2 \mathbf{M}_i,$$

$$\kappa^2 \mathbf{M}_i = G \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{i\pi} \oint \frac{d\Omega}{4\pi} \left(\tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}*} \partial_A \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}} - \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}} \partial_A \tilde{w}_{ab}^{\text{TT}*} \right) \omega \gamma^{AB} \partial_B n_i.$$

Exponential dressing of the eikonal operator

We can include static/Coulombic modes by letting $e^{2i\hat{\delta}(b_1, b_2)} \mapsto S_{s.r.} e^{2i\hat{\delta}(b_1, b_2)}$ with

$$S_{s.r.} = e^{\int_k^* [F^{\mu\nu}(k) a_{\mu\nu}^\dagger(k) - F^{*\mu\nu}(k) a_{\mu\nu}(k)]}$$

where [Weinberg '64, '65]

$$F^{\mu\nu}(k) = \sum_a \frac{\sqrt{8\pi G} p_a^\mu p_a^\nu}{p_a \cdot k - i0}, \quad n_\mu F^{\mu\nu}(k) = i\pi\sqrt{8\pi G} \sum_{a \in \text{in}} p_a^\mu \delta(\omega) \neq 0$$

and $\int_k^* = \int_k \theta(\omega^* - k^0)$, with ω^* a cutoff (to be sent to zero).

Angular Momentum of the Static Gravitational Field $\mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}$

[Di Vecchia, CH, Russo '22] [see also: Veneziano, Vilkovisky '22; Javadinezhad, Porrati '22, '23; Riva, Vernizzi, Wong '23]

This leads to

$$i\mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta} = \int_k \left[\left(\eta^{\mu\rho}\eta^{\nu\sigma} - \frac{1}{D-2} \eta^{\mu\nu}\eta^{\rho\sigma} \right) F_{\mu\nu}^* k_{[\alpha} \frac{\leftrightarrow \partial F_{\rho\sigma}}{\partial k^{\beta]} + 2\eta^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu[\alpha}^* F_{\beta]\nu} \right].$$

Angular momentum loss due to static modes

$$\mathcal{J}^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{G}{2} \sum_{a,b} c(\sigma_{ab}) (\eta_a - \eta_b) p_a^{[\alpha} p_b^{\beta]}, \quad c(\sigma_{ab}) = - \left[\left(\frac{\sigma_{ab}^2 - \frac{3}{2}}{\sigma_{ab}^2 - 1} \right) \frac{\sigma_{ab} \operatorname{arccosh} \sigma_{ab}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{ab}^2 - 1}} + \frac{\sigma_{ab}^2 - \frac{1}{2}}{\sigma_{ab}^2 - 1} \right]$$

- Match with [Damour '20; Manohar, Ridgway, Shen '22; Bini, Damour '22] up to $\mathcal{O}(G^3)$ upon expanding

$$\mathcal{J}^{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{G}{2} (p_1 - p_2)^{[\alpha} Q^{\beta]} \mathcal{I}(\sigma) + \mathcal{O}(G^4), \quad Q^\mu = Q_{1\text{PM}}^\mu + Q_{2\text{PM}}^\mu + \mathcal{O}(G^3)$$

- **Easy** to include tidal [CH '22] and spin [Alessio, Di Vecchia '22] [CH '23] effects, via Q^α .

- Take outgoing gravitons into account by

$$\sum_a \mapsto \sum_{a_m} + \int_k \rho(k)$$

where a_m runs over massive states, $\rho(k)$ is the distribution of emitted gravitons.

- This is the operation that gives the **nonlinear memory effect**,

$$a_0^{\mu\nu} \mapsto a_0^{\mu\nu} + \delta a_0^{\mu\nu}, \quad \delta a_0^{\mu\nu} = \int_k \rho(k) \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k \cdot n}.$$

- For the static contribution to the angular momentum, it gives

$$\mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta} \mapsto \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{tot}} = \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta} + \delta \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta} + \mathcal{O}(G^7), \quad \delta \mathcal{J}^{\alpha\beta} = 2G \int_k \rho(k) \sum_{a \in \text{in}} p_a^{[\alpha} k^{\beta]} \log \frac{p_a \cdot k}{m_a \Lambda}$$

and Λ is an energy scale introduced to regulate the **collinear divergence**. It amounts to a **time-translation** ambiguity in the mass-dipole components.

- **However**, $\delta \mathcal{J}^{ij} = \mathcal{O}(G^5)$ in the CoM frame! We do not need it to go to $\mathcal{O}(G^4)$.

Angular momentum loss in the PN expansion

Combining everything, $J_{xy} = \mathbf{J}_{xy} + \mathcal{J}_{xy} + \mathcal{O}(G^5)$ with

$$\begin{aligned} J_{xy} = & \frac{G^2 m^3}{b} p_\infty^2 \nu^2 \left[\frac{16}{5} + \left(\frac{176}{35} - \frac{8}{5} \nu \right) p_\infty^2 + \mathcal{O}(p_\infty^4) \right] \\ & + \frac{G^3 \pi m^4}{b^2} \nu^2 \left[\frac{28}{5} + \left(\frac{739}{84} - \frac{79}{15} \nu \right) p_\infty^2 + \mathcal{O}(p_\infty^4) \right] \\ & + \frac{G^4 m^5}{b^3 p_\infty^2} \nu^2 \left[\frac{176}{5} + \left(\frac{8144}{105} - \frac{2984}{45} \nu \right) p_\infty^2 + \mathcal{O}(p_\infty^4) \right] \\ & + \frac{G^4 m^5}{b^3} p_\infty \nu^2 \left[\frac{448}{5} + \left(\frac{1184}{21} - \frac{220256}{1575} \nu \right) p_\infty^2 + \mathcal{O}(p_\infty^4) \right] + \mathcal{O}(G^5). \end{aligned}$$

- The first two lines reproduce the small-velocity expansion of the $\mathcal{O}(G^2)$ [Damour '20] and $\mathcal{O}(G^3)$ [Manohar, Ridgway, Shen '22] [Di Vecchia, CH, Russo, Veneziano '22]
- The last two lines are in perfect agreement with the 0PN, 1PN, 1.5PN and 2.5PN contributions at $\mathcal{O}(G^4)$ [Bini, Damour, Geralico '21; '22].

Summary and Outlook

- The **eikonal approach** provides a framework to **calculate scattering observables**, including the **impulse**, the **waveform**, emitted **energy and angular momentum**.
- The comparison with the **PN** results is interesting both technically and conceptually. There is **full agreement** up to and including 2.5PN once the amplitudes and the MPM results are written in the same BMS frame

For the future:

- Is the choice of a BMS frame relevant in other comparisons (PN versus **NR**, PN versus **NRGR-EFT**, theory vs experiment)? Is it relevant for **bound orbits**?
- Generalizing/proving the resummation of **leading logs**?
- When does the naive eikonal exponentiation **break down**? (If it does)
- **Analytic** continuation? [Damour, Deruelle '81; Adamo, Gonzo, Ilderton '24]
- **Analytic results** beyond soft/PN limit? [Brunello, De Angelis '24]
- **NNLO** waveform? Starting from the soft limit (nonlinear memory)?

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

The Initial State

- We model the **initial state** by $|\text{in}\rangle = |1\rangle \otimes |2\rangle$, with

$$|1\rangle = \int_{-p_1} \varphi_1(-p_1) e^{ib_1 \cdot p_1} | - p_1 \rangle$$

$$|2\rangle = \int_{-p_2} \varphi_2(-p_2) e^{ib_2 \cdot p_2} | - p_2 \rangle$$

and $\int_{-p_i} = \int 2\pi \delta(p_i^2 + m_i^2) \theta(-p_i^0) \frac{d^D p_i}{(2\pi)^D}$ the LIPS measure.

- **Wavepackets** $\varphi_i(-p_i)$ peaked around the classical incoming momenta.
- **Impact parameter** $b^\mu = b_1^\mu - b_2^\mu$ lies in the transverse plane $b \cdot p_1 = 0 = p_2 \cdot b$.

Elastic and Inelastic Fourier Transforms

- Elastic Fourier transform:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{FT } \mathcal{A}^{(4)} &= \int \frac{d^D q}{(2\pi)^D} 2\pi\delta(2m_1 v_1 \cdot q) 2\pi\delta(2m_2 v_2 \cdot q) e^{ib \cdot q} \mathcal{A}^{(4)}(q) \\ &= \frac{1}{4Ep} \int \frac{d^{D-2} q}{(2\pi)^{D-2}} e^{ib \cdot q} \mathcal{A}(s, q) = \tilde{\mathcal{A}}^{(4)}.\end{aligned}$$

- Inelastic Fourier transform:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{FT } \mathcal{A}^{(5)} &= \int \frac{d^D q_1}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{d^D q_2}{(2\pi)^D} (2\pi)^D \delta^{(D)}(q_1 + q_2 + k) \\ &\quad \times 2\pi\delta(2m_1 v_1 \cdot q_1) 2\pi\delta(2m_2 v_2 \cdot q_2) e^{ib_1 \cdot q_1 + ib_2 \cdot q_2} \mathcal{A}^{(5)}(q_1, q_2, k) \\ &= \tilde{\mathcal{A}}^{(5)}(k).\end{aligned}$$

Analytic Continuation to the Bound Case

[Saketh, Vines, Steinhoff, Buonanno '21; Cho, Kälin, Porto '21] [CH '23]

- The results discussed so far hold for the **scattering kinematics**, in which the total center-of-mass energy is

$$E = \sqrt{m_1^2 + 2m_1 m_2 \sigma + m_2^2} \geq m_1 + m_2, \quad \sigma \geq 1.$$

- To analytically continue $J(L = pb, a_1, \sigma)$ to the **bound-state kinematics**, $\sigma < 1$, one can sum the two branch choices $\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1} \rightarrow \pm i\sqrt{1 - \sigma^2}$

$$J^{\text{bound}}(L, a_1, \sigma) = J(L, a_1, \sigma)_+ + J(L, a_1, \sigma)_-$$

- The $\mathcal{O}(G^3)$ result $J^{\mathcal{O}(G^3)}(L, a_1, \sigma)$ is an analytic function of σ for $\text{Re}\sigma > -1$, so

$$J^{\mathcal{O}(G^3)\text{bound}}(L, a_1, \sigma) = 2J^{\mathcal{O}(G^3)}(L, a_1, \sigma).$$

From the Deflection Angle to the Precession Angle

We introduce the effective potential $V(r)$

$$p^2 = p_r^2 + \frac{J^2}{r^2} + V(r), \quad V(r) = - \left(\frac{G}{r} f_1 + \frac{G^2}{r^2} f_2 + \frac{G^3}{r^3} f_3 + \dots \right)$$

to extract information about the bound system as well.

- Matching to the **conservative** PM deflection angle, one can fix f_1, f_2, f_3 .

E.g. in GR, [Bern et al. '19, Damour '20]

$$f_1 = 4m_1^2 m_2^2 (\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2})/E, \quad f_2 = \frac{3}{2} (m_1 + m_2) m_1^2 m_2^2 (5\sigma^2 - 1)/E,$$

- Analytically continuing to $\sigma < 1$ (**bound case**) and working in the Post-Newtonian limit $v_\infty = \sqrt{1 - \sigma^2} \rightarrow 0$ for fixed $\alpha \equiv Gm_1 m_2 / (Jv_\infty)$ matches the corresponding orders in [Blanchet '13]

$$\Delta\Phi = -2\pi + 2J \int_{r_-}^{r_+} \frac{dr}{r^2 \sqrt{p^2 - \frac{J^2}{r^2} - V(r)}} = 3v_\infty^2 \alpha^2 - \frac{3}{4} v_\infty^4 \alpha^2 [2\nu - 5 + 5\alpha^2 (2\nu - 7)]$$

The functions $\mathcal{H}(m_1, m_2, \sigma)$ and $\mathcal{I}(\sigma)$ appearing in the low-frequency spectrum

$$\mathcal{H}(\sigma, m_1, m_2) = \left[2(s - m_1 m_2 \sigma) + \frac{m_2^2(2m_1\sigma + m_2)}{m_1\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \ell_1 + \frac{m_1^2(2m_2\sigma + m_1)}{m_2\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \ell_2 \right],$$

with

$$\ell_1 = \log \left(\frac{x(m_1x + m_2)}{m_2x + m_1} \right), \quad \ell_2 = \log \left(\frac{x(m_2x + m_1)}{m_1x + m_2} \right), \quad x = \sigma - \sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1},$$

while

$$\mathcal{I}(\sigma) = \frac{2}{\sigma^2 - 1} \left[\frac{8 - 5\sigma^2}{3} + \frac{\sigma(2\sigma^2 - 3) \operatorname{arccosh} \sigma}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \right].$$

- Since $n_\mu F^{\mu\nu} \neq 0$, the formula used above is *in general* not equivalent to the one obtained by using the **TT-projected** static field $f_{\mu\nu} = \Pi_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}$,

$$i\mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{TT}} = \int_k \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(f_{\mu\nu}^* k_{[\alpha} \frac{\partial f^{\mu\nu}}{\partial k^{\beta]}} - f^{\mu\nu} k_{[\alpha} \frac{\partial f_{\mu\nu}^*}{\partial k^{\beta]}} \right) + 2f_{\mu[\alpha}^* f_{\beta]}^\mu \right],$$

- In the CoM frame, letting $\sigma_a = \eta_a p_a^0 / m_a$, we find [\[CH, Russo '24\]](#)

$$\mathcal{J}^{\text{TT}\alpha\beta} = \frac{G}{2} \sum_{a,b} c(\sigma_{ab}) (\eta_a - \eta_b) p_a^{[\alpha} p_b^{\beta]} + 2G \sum_a c(\sigma_a) \sum_{b \in \text{in}} p_b^{[\alpha} p_a^{\beta]}.$$

- So, in the CoM frame, $\mathcal{J}_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = \mathcal{J}_{ij}$, but $\mathcal{J}_{0i}^{\text{TT}} \neq \mathcal{J}_{0i}$.

- We note that $\mathcal{J}_{0i}^{\text{TT}}$ admits a **smooth high-energy limit**,

$$\mathcal{J}^{\text{TT}\alpha\beta} = -2G \log\left(\frac{s}{Q^2} - 1\right) (p_1 - p_2)^{[\alpha} Q^{\beta]}.$$

- The TT contribution due to nonlinear memory is cutoff-independent

$$\delta\mathcal{J}^{\text{TT}\alpha\beta} = 2G \int_k \rho(k) \sum_{a \in \text{in}} p_a^{[\alpha} k^{\beta]} \log \frac{p_a \cdot n}{m_a}$$

with $k^\mu = \omega n^\mu$ as defined in the CoM frame.