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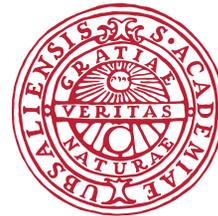
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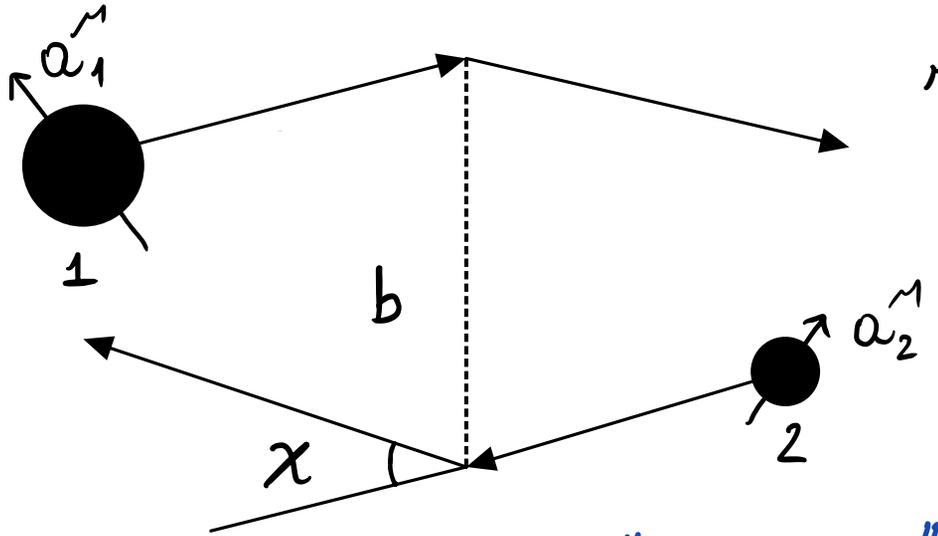
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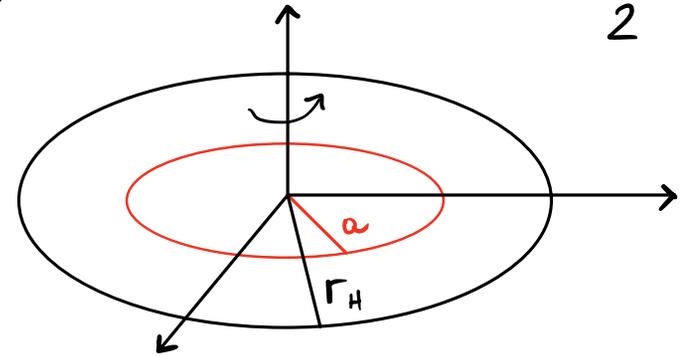
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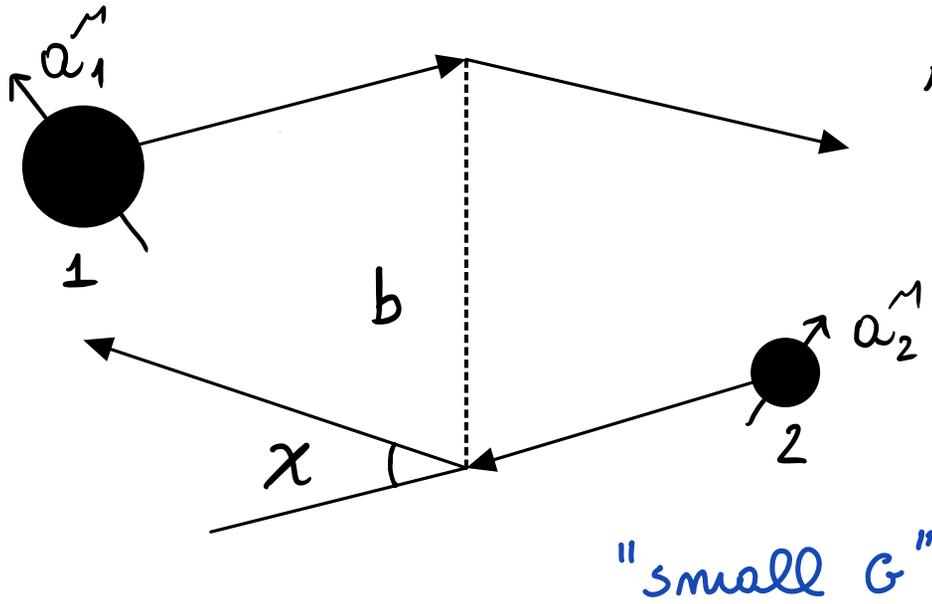
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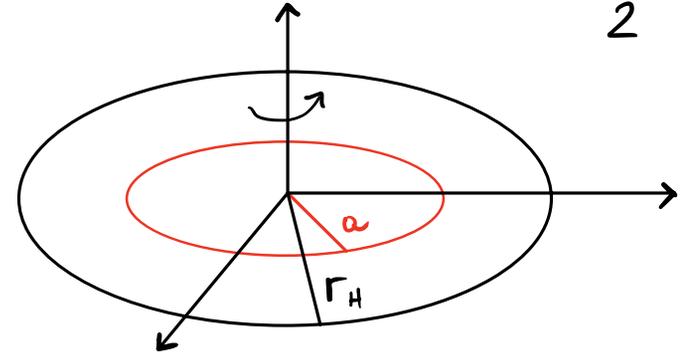
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• From quantum mechanics:  $S^2 = S_M S^M = \hbar^2 s(s+1)$

$\downarrow$        $\downarrow$   
 0       $\infty$

• Kerr black holes:  $\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty}$  (massive  $s$  fields)

[Arkani-Hamed, Huang, Huang, Bern, Luna, Roiban, Sen, Zeng, Guervara, Ochirov, Vines, Arude, Haddad, Helset, Chung, Kim, Chen, Chiodaroli, Pichini Johansson, Jakobsen, Mogull, Plefka, Steinhoff, ...]

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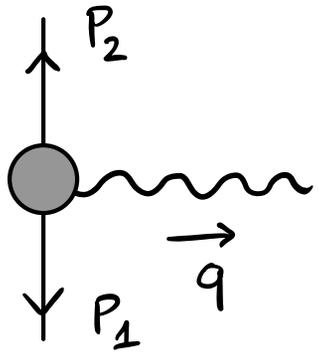
M: A simple Lagrangian would allow to increase the precision in analytical computations (e.g.  $n$ PM  $n > 1$ )

## 3-point amplitudes

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- $\Lambda^P_\mu(a, q) = \exp\{i \epsilon^{\mu\alpha\beta} a^\alpha q^\beta\}$

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A Feynman diagram showing a 3-point vertex represented by a grey circle. An incoming fermion line from the left enters the vertex, with momentum  $P_1$  pointing downwards. An outgoing fermion line from the vertex goes upwards, with momentum  $P_2$  pointing upwards. A wavy boson line extends to the right from the vertex, with momentum  $q$  pointing to the right.

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Gauge theory ( $\sqrt{\text{Keur}}$ )

Gravity (Keur) [Vines, 2017]

"Minimal coupling" [Arkani-Hamed, Huang, Huang, 2017]

## Minimal coupling with classical spin

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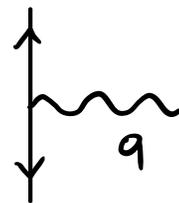
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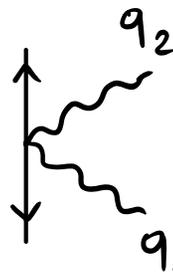
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- It is a "good" covariant derivative:  $D_{\mu}^{(\omega)} \phi_{\alpha} \rightarrow U D_{\mu}^{(\omega)} \phi_{\alpha} !!!$

$$D_{\mu}^{(\omega)} \equiv \text{classical spin connection} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^{(\omega)} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{free}}(\partial_{\mu} \rightarrow D_{\mu}^{(\omega)})$$


$$= ig^2 \Lambda^{\nu\rho}(a, q_1) \Lambda^{\mu\sigma}(a, q_2)$$

Contact terms are generated by the same mechanism that selects them in the spinless case. Schwarzschild is minimal.

Q: Are Kerr black-holes minimal?

# Kerr three-point and tree-level (1PM)

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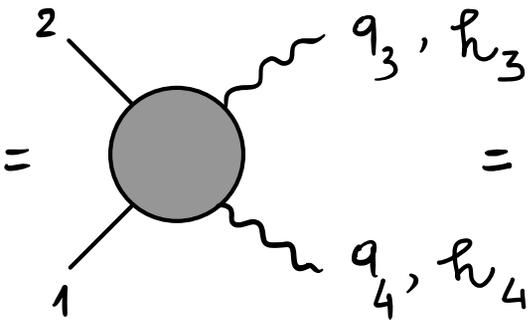
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- Observables  $\rightarrow$  1PM eikonal

$$2 \delta_0(b) = \frac{1}{4E|b|} \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^{2-2\epsilon}} \mathcal{M}(q) e^{i q \cdot b} \propto \sum_{\pm} \frac{1}{|b \pm i a|^{-2\epsilon}}$$

Newman-Janis shift

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The diagram shows a central grey circle with four external lines. Lines 1 and 2 are straight, while lines 3 and 4 are wavy. Momenta \$q\_3, h\_3\$ and \$q\_4, h\_4\$ are labeled on lines 3 and 4 respectively.

$$M_{1\text{-loop}} = \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} = M_{1\text{-loop}}^{(\text{even})} + M_{1\text{-loop}}^{(\text{odd})}$$

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$$M_{1\text{-loop}}^{(\text{even})} = \frac{\kappa^4}{16} \frac{1}{32 \sqrt{-q^2}} \left[ 4m_1 \left( m_1^4 + m_1^2 (m_2^2 - 2s) + (m_2^2 - s)^2 \right) I_0(F(a, q)) + 2m_1 \left( m_1^2 m_2^2 - \frac{(s - m_1^2 - m_2^2)}{4} \right) \frac{I_1(F(a, q))}{F(a, q)} + (m_1 \leftrightarrow m_2) \right]$$

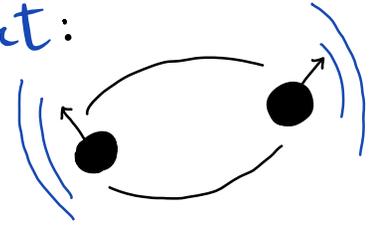
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$F(a, q) = \sqrt{(a \cdot q)^2 - a^2 q^2}$  is shift-symmetric [2203.06197]

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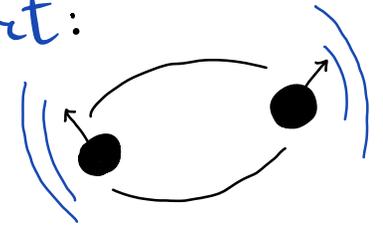
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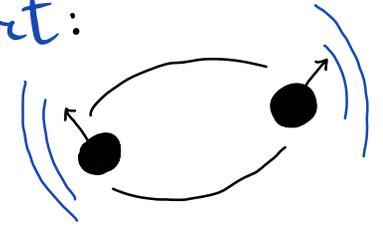
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- By knowing the 1PM amplitude we can compute  $2\delta_2^{\text{rr}}(b) \Rightarrow \chi_2^{\text{rr}}(b)$

$$\chi_2^{\text{rr}}(b) = -\frac{1}{P} \frac{\partial \text{Re } 2\delta_2^{\text{rr}}(b)}{\partial b}$$

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$$\bullet 2\delta_2^{\text{rr}}(b) = -\frac{\pi}{2} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \epsilon \int_{K, K_1, K_2} |\tilde{M}_5|^2 = 2\delta_2^{\text{rr}}(b) \Big|_{a=0}, \quad f^M = \frac{\sigma^2 b}{2(2\sigma^2 - 1)} \sum_{\pm} \frac{(1 \pm \sigma)^2}{b_{\pm}^2} b_{\pm}^M$$

where:  $b_{\pm} = b \pm ia$

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$$= \chi_2^{\text{rr}}(b) \Big|_{a=0} \left[1 + \frac{6\sigma\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}}{2\sigma^2 - 1} \frac{a}{b} + \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 + O(a^3)\right]$$

[Jakobsen, Mogull 2201.07778]

## Conclusions:

- Using a notion of minimal coupling that incorporates classical spin it is possible to construct a consistent field theory that describes the dynamics of classically spinning compact objects and it can be used to perform precision computations.

## Outlook:

- Add more contact terms and higher derivative corrections;
- Worldline description;
- Beyond 2PM in the conservative sector.