

The Simplest Massive S-matrix

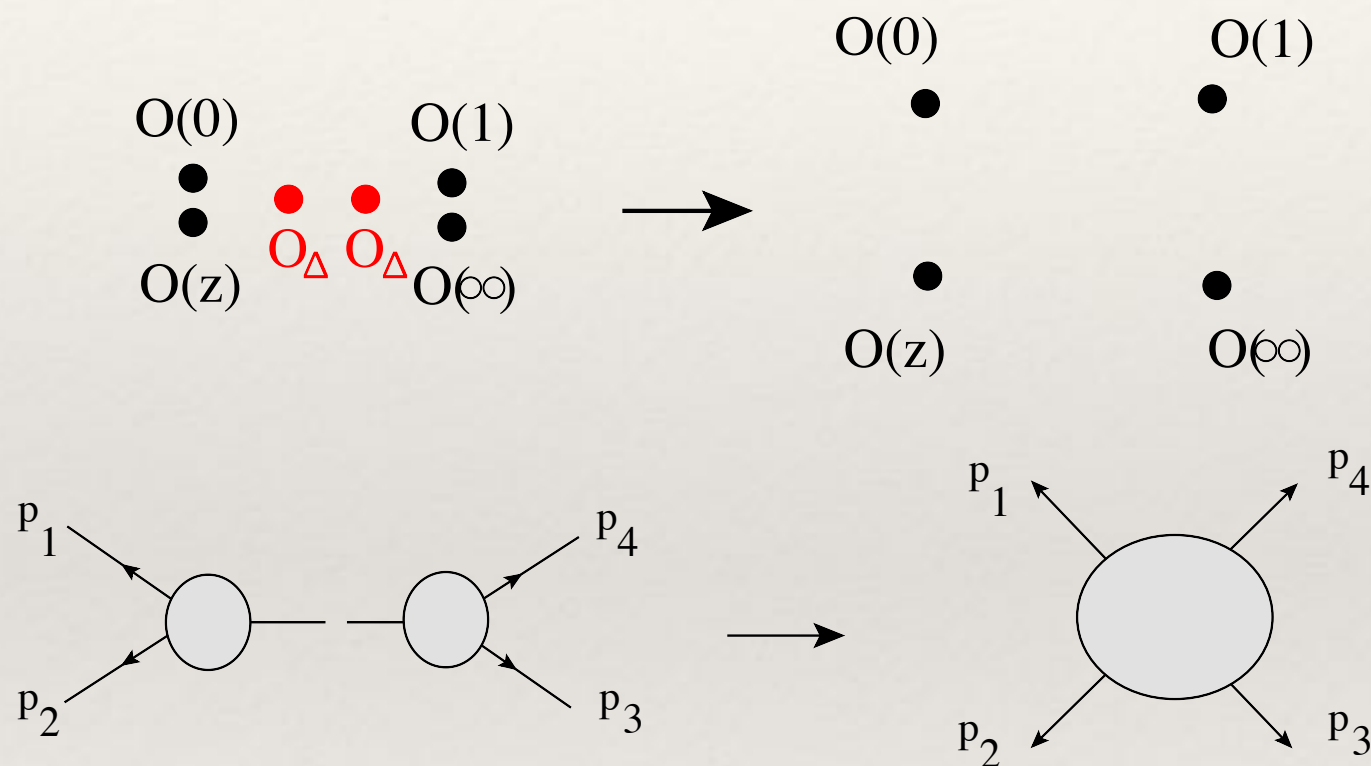
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The massively rich real world

- ❖ On-shell observables such as S-matrix, correlation functions are derivable from the simplest interactions,



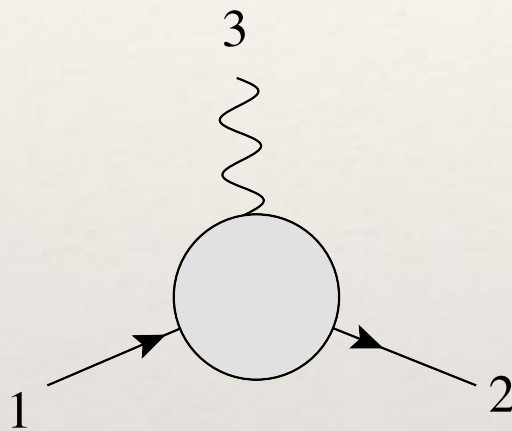
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Start with the **fundamental interaction** physical principles (Unitarity, Locality, Symmetry) fixes the answer.

For massive particles, the fundamental interactions are not fixed



→ $2s+1$ distinct interactions

- * What physics can we learn from employing consistency conditions on these interactions ?
- * Is there a notion of **simplest massive amplitude** ? (Similar question for massless amplitudes led to dual conformal symmetry of $N=4$ SYM, and maximal SUGRA)

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Consider an amplitude for massive states. Since it is a scalar function that carries the quantum number of the physical state (Little group)

$$\langle in\ t \rightarrow +\infty | out\ t \rightarrow -\infty \rangle \rightarrow M_n^{\{l_1\ l_2 \cdots l_{2s_1}\}, \{J_1\ J_2 \cdots J_{2s_2}\} \cdots}$$

$I=1,2$ are doublets of $SU(2)$ Little group.

We introduce

$$p^{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} = \lambda^\alpha \tilde{\lambda}_{\dot{\alpha}}$$

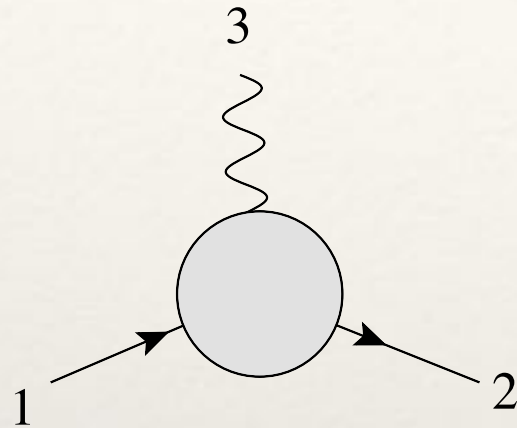
In doing so we simply have:

$$M_n^{\{l_1\ l_2 \cdots l_{2s_1}\}, \cdots} = \lambda_1^{l_1\alpha_1} \lambda_1^{l_2\alpha_2} \cdots \lambda_1^{l_{2s_1}\alpha_{2s_1}} M_{n, \{\alpha_1\alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_{2s_1}\} \cdots}$$

- The decomposition is unambiguous
- The problem reduces to finding the Irreps of $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$

The massively rich real world

Consider the three point amplitude with one massless and two equal mass



$$M^h_{\{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_{2S_1}\}, \{\beta_1 \beta_2 \dots \beta_{2S_2}\}}$$

We need two vectors to span the $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ space:

$$(u_\alpha, v_\alpha) = (\lambda_{3,\alpha}, \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \lambda_3^\beta)$$

We also need to have variables that carry the opposite helicity weight of the massless leg

$$m_1 = m_2$$

$$2p_2 \cdot p_3 = \langle 3 | p_2 | 3 \rangle = 0$$

$$x \lambda_3^\alpha = \frac{p_2^{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \tilde{\lambda}_{3\dot{\alpha}}}{m}$$

This allows us to define the x factor which carries positive helicity

Three point amplitude is constructed from $(x, \lambda, \varepsilon)$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 s = \frac{1}{2} : & \quad x \left(\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} + g_1 x \frac{\lambda_\alpha \lambda_\beta}{m} \right) \\
 s = 1 : & \quad x \left(\epsilon_{\alpha_1\beta_1} \epsilon_{\alpha_2\beta_2} + g_1 \epsilon_{\alpha_2\beta_2} x \frac{\lambda_{\alpha_1} \lambda_{\beta_1}}{m} + g_2 x^2 \frac{\lambda_{\alpha_1} \lambda_{\beta_1} \lambda_{\alpha_2} \lambda_{\beta_2}}{m^2} \right) \\
 & \quad \vdots \\
 s = 2 : & \quad x \left(\epsilon^4 + g_1 \epsilon^3 x \frac{\lambda^2}{m} + g_2 \epsilon^2 x^2 \frac{\lambda^4}{m^2} + g_3 \epsilon \frac{\lambda^6}{m^3} + g_4 \frac{\lambda^8}{m^3} \right) \\
 & \quad \vdots
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting back the massive spinors

$$M_3^h = g_0 x^h \frac{\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{2s}}{m^{2s-1}} + g_1 x^{h+1} \frac{\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{2s-1} \langle \mathbf{23} \rangle \langle \mathbf{31} \rangle}{m^{2s}} + \dots + g_{2s} x^{h+2s} \frac{\langle \mathbf{23} \rangle^{2s} \langle \mathbf{31} \rangle^{2s}}{m^{4s-1}}$$

For exp

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{M}_3^{\text{QED}} &= -ie \epsilon_\mu^+(k_3) \bar{v}(p_2) \gamma^\mu u(p_1) = -i\sqrt{2}e \frac{[\mathbf{23}] \langle \zeta \mathbf{1} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{2} \zeta \rangle [\mathbf{31}]}{\langle 3\zeta \rangle} \\
 &= i\sqrt{2}ex \frac{\langle 3\zeta \rangle \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle}{\langle 3\zeta \rangle} = i\sqrt{2}ex \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

The x-factor

Let's first consider the case where all $g_i=0$ for $i>0$

- What characterizes it in the UV ?

In the UV we approach the massless limit $m \rightarrow 0$

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All g_i have more singular for $m \rightarrow 0$, bad UV behaviours. Indeed consider

$$S = \frac{1}{M_{pl}} \int \sqrt{-g} \frac{(-1)^s}{2} (D^\mu \phi^{\nu_1 \dots \nu_s} D_\mu \phi_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_s} - m^2 \phi^{\nu_1 \dots \nu_s} \phi_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_s})$$

The three-pt amp

$$x^2 \frac{m^2}{M_{pl}} \left(\frac{\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle}{m^2} \right)^{2s} - \frac{s(s-1)}{2} \frac{1}{M_{pl} m^2} \left(\frac{\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle}{m} \right)^{2s-2} \langle \mathbf{23} \rangle^2 \langle \mathbf{31} \rangle^2 + \dots$$

contains bad H.E. behaviors, with the leading term removable by

$$h \frac{s(s-1)}{2} \phi^{\mu\rho\mu_3\dots\mu_s} R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \phi^{\nu\sigma}_{\mu_3\dots\mu_s}$$

with $h=-1$ (Ioannis Giannakis, James T. Liu, Massimo Porrati)

The x-factor

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In the UV we approach the massless limit:

$$\lambda_{\alpha}^I = \lambda_{\alpha} \xi^{-I} + \eta_{\alpha} \xi^{+I}, \quad \tilde{\lambda}_{\dot{\alpha}}^I = \tilde{\eta}_{\dot{\alpha}} \xi^{-I} + \tilde{\lambda}_{\dot{\alpha}} \xi^{+I}$$

where $\langle \eta \lambda \rangle = [\eta \lambda] = m$ and

$$(mx)^h \left(\frac{\langle \mathbf{12} \rangle}{m} \right)^s \Big|_{m \rightarrow 0} = \left(\frac{[3|p_1|\xi\rangle}{\langle 3\xi \rangle} \right)^h \left(\frac{\langle \eta_1 2 \rangle}{m} \right)^s \Big|_{m \rightarrow 0} = \left(\frac{[23][31]}{[12]} \right)^h \left(\frac{[13]}{[23]} \right)^s$$

This is the amplitude for minimal coupling between a positive h helicity state with $+s$ and $-s$ helicity.

The x-factor

Let's first consider the case where all $g_i=0$

- What characterizes it in the IR ?

In the IR we can consider the magnetic moment. Let's start non-relativistically

$$V_Z := -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B} = -\frac{ge}{m} \vec{S} \cdot \vec{B}.$$

Taking the relativistic form

$$\begin{aligned} V_Z &= -\frac{ge}{m} S_\mu B^\mu = -\frac{ge}{4m^3} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \epsilon^{\mu\tau\eta\chi} p_1^\nu p_{1\tau} J^{\rho\sigma} F_{\eta\chi} \\ &= \frac{ge}{2m} J^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{ge}{m^3} p_1^\tau F_{\tau\eta} J^{\eta\chi} p_{1\chi}, \end{aligned} \longrightarrow \left(V_{Z,2s}^+ \right) = s \frac{ge}{m} [\mathbf{13}][\mathbf{32}] \left(\frac{[\mathbf{12}]}{m} \right)^{s-1}$$

Let's convert the minimal coupling

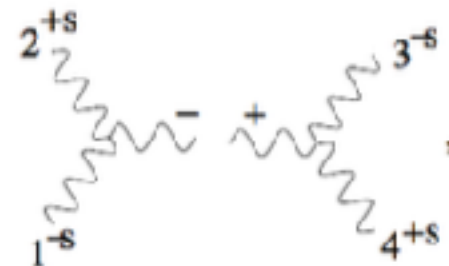
$$\bar{M}_3^{+1} = emx \frac{[\mathbf{21}]^{2s}}{m^{2s}} + 2s \frac{[\mathbf{21}]^{2s-1} [\mathbf{23}][\mathbf{31}]}{m^{2s}} + \dots$$

we see that **g=2!** In other words good H.E. behavior is tied to the classical magnetic moment being 2. Indeed this is the case for W bosons.

The x-factor - under factorization

Let us now impose factorization constraints

We expect consistent factorization to impose non-trivial constraint on the three-point



$$, \quad R_s = \left(\frac{\langle 1I \rangle^3}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle I2 \rangle} \right)^s \left(\frac{[I4]^3}{[I3][43]} \right)^s = \left(\frac{\langle 13 \rangle^2 [24]^2}{u} \right)^s$$

Start with an ansatz

$$\langle 13 \rangle^2 [24]^2 \left(\frac{A^{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4}}{st} + \frac{B^{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4}}{tu} + \frac{C^{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4}}{us} \right)$$

The constraint of matching to all channels

$$C^{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4} - A^{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4} = f^{a_1 a_2 e} f^{e a_3 a_4}$$

$$A^{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4} - B^{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4} = f^{a_2 a_3 e} f^{e a_4 a_1}$$

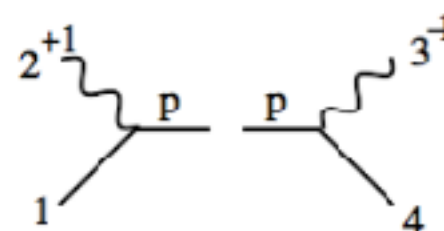
$$B^{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4} - C^{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4} = f^{a_3 a_1 e} f^{e a_2 a_4}$$

Leads to the constraint

$$f^{a_1 a_2 e} f^{e a_3 a_4} + f^{a_2 a_3 e} f^{e a_4 a_1} + f^{a_3 a_1 e} f^{e a_2 a_4} = 0$$

The x-factor - under factorization

Consider compton scattering



$$\sim \frac{1}{m^{2(S-1)}} \frac{x_{12}}{x_{34}} (\langle \mathbf{1} P^I \rangle [P_I \mathbf{4}])^{2S}.$$

The presence of $\frac{x_{12}}{x_{34}}$ introduces constraint in the other channel since

$\frac{x_{12}}{x_{34}} m^2 = -\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle^2/t$. Importing the solution to the factorization:

$$\frac{\langle \mathbf{1} | P_I | \mathbf{4} \rangle}{m} = m \frac{\langle \mathbf{43} \rangle [12] + \langle \mathbf{13} \rangle [42]}{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle}$$

we find

$$\frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle^{2-2S}}{(s-m^2)(u-m^2)} (\langle \mathbf{43} \rangle [12] + \langle \mathbf{13} \rangle [42])^{2S}$$

Indeed for $S=1/2, 1$ yields

$$M(\mathbf{1}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \gamma_2^{+1}, \gamma_3^{-1}, \mathbf{4}^{\frac{1}{2}}) = \frac{\langle 3|p_1-p_4|2\rangle}{2(s-m^2)(u-m^2)} (\langle \mathbf{43} \rangle [12] + \langle \mathbf{13} \rangle [42])$$

$$M(\mathbf{1}^1, \gamma_2^{+1}, \gamma_3^{-1}, \mathbf{4}^1) = \frac{(\langle \mathbf{43} \rangle [12] + \langle \mathbf{13} \rangle [42])^2}{(s-m^2)(u-m^2)}.$$

The x-factor - under factorization

Consider compton scattering

Indeed for $S > 1$ the naive form becomes nonlocal

$$\frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle^{2-2S}}{(s-m^2)(u-m^2)} (\langle 43\rangle[12] + \langle 13\rangle[42])^{2S}$$

We use s-channel identities

$$\frac{\langle 43\rangle[12] + \langle 13\rangle[42]}{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle} = \left(\frac{[14]}{m} + \frac{\langle 42\rangle[21] - \langle 12\rangle[24]}{2m^2} \right) + \frac{t[21]\langle 34\rangle}{2m^2\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle} \equiv A + B$$

On the s-channel kinematics we can write:

$$\left. \frac{t[21]\langle 34\rangle}{2m^2\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle} \right|_{s=m^2} = -\frac{\langle 43\rangle[32]\langle 21\rangle}{2m^3}$$

Photon Compton Amplitude for $S > 1$

$$\begin{aligned} M(1^S, 2^{+1}, 3^{-1}, 4^S) = & \frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle^2}{(s-m^2)(u-m^2)} \mathcal{A}^{2S} \\ & - \left\{ \frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle\langle 34\rangle[21]}{2m^2(s-m^2)} \left[\sum_{r=1}^{2S} \binom{2S}{r} \mathcal{A}^{2S-r} \left(\frac{-\langle 43\rangle[32]\langle 21\rangle}{4m^3} - \frac{[43]\langle 32\rangle[21]}{4m^3} \right)^{r-1} \right] \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle\langle 31\rangle[24]}{2m^2(u-m^2)} \left[\sum_{r=1}^{2S} \binom{2S}{r} (-1)^r \mathcal{A}^{2S-r} \left(\frac{-\langle 13\rangle[32]\langle 24\rangle}{4m^3} - \frac{[13]\langle 32\rangle[24]}{4m^3} \right)^{r-1} \right] \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (4.14)$$

The x-factor - under factorization

Consider gravitational compton scattering

Graviton Compton Amplitude for $S > 2$

$$\begin{aligned} M_4(S > 2) = & -\frac{\langle 3|p_1|2 \rangle^4}{(s-m^2)(u-m^2)tM_{pl}^2} \mathcal{A}^{2S} \\ & + \frac{2S\langle 3|p_1|2 \rangle^3}{t(s-m^2)} \frac{\langle 34 \rangle [21]}{2m^2 M_{pl}^2} \mathcal{A}^{2S-1} - \frac{2S\langle 3|p_4|2 \rangle^3}{t(u-m^2)} \frac{\langle 31 \rangle [24]}{2m^2 M_{pl}^2} \mathcal{A}^{2S-1} \\ & + \left\{ \frac{\langle 3|p_1|2 \rangle^2 \langle 34 \rangle^2 [21]^2}{4m^4(s-m^2)M_{pl}^2} \left[\sum_{r=2}^{2S} \binom{2S}{r} \mathcal{A}^{2S-r} \left(\frac{-\langle 43 \rangle [32] \langle 21 \rangle}{4m^3} - \frac{[43] \langle 32 \rangle [21]}{4m^3} \right)^{r-2} \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{\langle 3|p_1|2 \rangle^2 \langle 31 \rangle^2 [24]^2}{4m^4(u-m^2)M_{pl}^2} \left[\sum_{r=2}^{2S} \binom{2S}{r} (-1)^r \mathcal{A}^{2S-r} \left(\frac{-\langle 13 \rangle [32] \langle 24 \rangle}{4m^3} - \frac{[13] \langle 32 \rangle [24]}{4m^3} \right)^{r-2} \right] \right\} \\ & - \frac{Poly + Poly_{[23]} + Poly_{\langle 23 \rangle}}{tM_{pl}^2} \end{aligned} \tag{4.24}$$

Non-minimal couplings

- We know that for photon couplings $\lambda\lambda$ deformations corresponds to g-2 factors, what does such deformations correspond to ? (take $s=1/2$)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_4^{(NM-Min)} &= \mathcal{M}^{(l=1,r=0)} + \mathcal{M}^{(l=0,r=1)} \\ &= \frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle^3}{(s-m^2)(u-m^2)t} [12]\langle 23\rangle[24] + \frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle^3}{(s-m^2)(u-m^2)t} \langle 13\rangle[23]\langle 34\rangle\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_4^{(NM-NM)} &= -\frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle^3}{2(s-m^2)(u-m^2)} ([12]\langle 34\rangle + [42]\langle 31\rangle) \\ &\quad + \frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle^3}{2(s-m^2)t} ([12]\langle 34\rangle - [42]\langle 31\rangle) - \frac{\langle 3|p_4|2\rangle^3}{2(u-m^2)t} ([42]\langle 31\rangle - [12]\langle 34\rangle)\end{aligned}$$

But there are excessive terms that do not match with the t -channel residue!

$$\frac{1}{t} \times \frac{\langle 3|p_1|2\rangle^3}{(s-m^2)} ([12]\langle 34\rangle - [42]\langle 31\rangle)$$

One cannot make factorization consistent!

Non-minimal couplings

- We know that for photon couplings $\lambda\lambda$ deformations corresponds to g=2 factors, what does such deformations correspond to ? **They are simply not allowed!**

$$M_3 = x^2(\epsilon^{2S} + \sum_i a_i \epsilon^{2S-i} x^i \lambda^{2i})$$

we must have $a_1=0$! The gravi-magnetic moment is zero

- If we have a system where the gravitational couplings are given by the double copy of gauge couplings (string theory), **the magnetic moment for the gauge coupling must be 2!**

$$x^2(\epsilon^{2S} + a_1 \epsilon^{2S-1} x \lambda^2 + \dots)^2 = x^2(\epsilon^{4S} + 2a_1 \epsilon^{4S-1} x \lambda^2 + \dots)$$

Fundamental charged particles must have classical g=2 is a prediction of string theory.

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- ❖ Are there particles in nature with $s > 2$ and has minimal coupling to graviton and photons (just x) ?
- ❖ String theory ? **No!**

$$\frac{x \langle 12 \rangle^n}{m^{2n-1}} \sum_{k=0}^n C_k^n (k-1) \langle 12 \rangle^{n-k} \left(\frac{4x}{m} \langle 23 \rangle \langle 31 \rangle \right)^k$$

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$$S = \int d\sigma \left[-m\sqrt{u^2} - \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu\nu} + L_{SI} [u^\mu, S_{\mu\nu}, g_{\mu\nu}(y^\mu)] \right]$$

$$L_{SI} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} \frac{C_{ES^{2n}}}{m^{2n-1}} D_{\mu_{2n}} \cdots D_{\mu_3} \frac{E_{\mu_1\mu_2}}{\sqrt{u^2}} S^{\mu_1} S^{\mu_2} \cdots S^{\mu_{2n-1}} S^{\mu_{2n}} \\ + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} \frac{C_{BS^{2n+1}}}{m^{2n}} D_{\mu_{2n+1}} \cdots D_{\mu_3} \frac{B_{\mu_1\mu_2}}{\sqrt{u^2}} S^{\mu_1} S^{\mu_2} \cdots S^{\mu_{2n}} S^{\mu_{2n+1}}$$

where

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translating into amplitudes:

$$\begin{aligned} u^\mu &\rightarrow \frac{1}{m} p_1^\mu \\ D_\mu &\rightarrow -ik_{3\mu} \\ h_{\mu\nu} &\rightarrow 2\epsilon_\mu^+ \epsilon_\nu^+ \\ E_{\mu\nu} &\rightarrow \frac{\kappa x^2}{2} k_{3\mu} k_{3\nu} \\ B_{\mu\nu} S^\mu &\rightarrow \frac{\kappa x}{2} \left[k_{3\alpha} (\sqrt{2}\epsilon_\beta^+ - x u_\beta) J^{\alpha\beta} \right] k_{3\nu} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} L_{SI} &\rightarrow -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{ES^{2n}}}{(2n)!} \frac{\kappa m x^2}{2} \left(\frac{k_3 \cdot S}{m} \right)^{2n} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{BS^{2n+1}}}{(2n+1)!} \frac{\kappa x}{2} \left[-ik_{3\alpha} (\sqrt{2}\epsilon_{\beta}^+ - x u_{\beta}) J^{\alpha\beta} \right] \left(\frac{k_3 \cdot S}{m} \right)^{2n} \\ &= -\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\kappa m x^2}{2} \frac{C_{S^n}}{n!} \left(-\frac{k_3 \cdot S}{m} \right)^n \end{aligned}$$

But we need to add the canonical term in the Lagrangian as well:

$$-m\sqrt{u^2} = -m\sqrt{\eta_{\mu\nu} u^{\mu} u^{\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu} u^{\mu} u^{\nu}} \rightarrow -\frac{\kappa m}{2} h_{\mu\nu} u^{\mu} u^{\nu} + \dots \rightarrow -\frac{\kappa m x^2}{2}$$

$$L = -\frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \Omega^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2} S_{AB} \omega_{\mu}^{AB} u^{\mu}$$

which translate to

$$\begin{aligned} L &\rightarrow -\frac{\kappa}{2} x \left[-ik_{3\mu} (\sqrt{2}\epsilon_{\nu}^+ - x u_{\nu}) J^{\mu\nu} \right] \\ &= -\frac{\kappa m x^2}{2} \left(-\frac{k_3 \cdot S}{m} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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Converting to spin-s amplitudes

- The spin-independent piece $-m\sqrt{u^2}$ yields

$$A_3^+ \supset x^2 \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^s [\mathbf{21}]^s$$

$$A_3^- \supset x^{-2} [\mathbf{21}]^s \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^s$$

- The spin-dependent piece: acting on spin-s

$$\frac{k_3 \cdot S}{m} = \frac{x s}{m} |3\rangle \langle 3|$$

$$\frac{k_3 \cdot S}{m} = -\frac{s}{m x} |3| |3|$$

generalizing to arbitrary powers

$$\left[\left(\frac{k_3 \cdot S}{m} \right)^2 \right]_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{2s}}^{\beta_1 \dots \beta_{2s}} = 2s(2s-1) \frac{x^2}{(2m)^2} |3\rangle_{\alpha_1} |3\rangle_{\alpha_2} \langle 3|^{\beta_1} \langle 3|^{\beta_2}$$

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We derive the three-point amplitude from the 1 BD EFT

Putting everything together, we find:

$$A_3^+ \supset x^2 C_{S^{a+b}} \tilde{A}_{a,b}^s \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{s-a} \left(-\frac{x \langle \mathbf{23} \rangle \langle \mathbf{31} \rangle}{2m} \right)^a [\mathbf{21}]^{s-b} \left(\frac{[\mathbf{23}][\mathbf{31}]}{2mx} \right)^b$$
$$\tilde{A}_{a,b}^s = \frac{1}{(a+b)!} \binom{a+b}{a} \frac{s!}{(s-a)!} \frac{s!}{(s-b)!} = \binom{s}{a} \binom{s}{b}$$

Now lets compare to our “minimal coupling”

The simplest amplitude

Let us compare with minimal coupling

First rewrite:

$$\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^2 = \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle [\mathbf{21}] + \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle \frac{[\mathbf{23}][\mathbf{31}]}{2mx} - \frac{x \langle \mathbf{23} \rangle \langle \mathbf{31} \rangle}{2m} [\mathbf{21}] - \frac{2 \langle \mathbf{23} \rangle \langle \mathbf{31} \rangle [\mathbf{23}][\mathbf{31}]}{(2m)^2}$$

Then the spin-s interaction becomes:

$$\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{2s} = \left(\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^2 \right)^s = \sum_{a,b=0}^s A_{a,b}^s \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{s-a} \left(-\frac{x \langle \mathbf{23} \rangle \langle \mathbf{31} \rangle}{2m} \right)^a [\mathbf{21}]^{s-b} \left(\frac{[\mathbf{23}][\mathbf{31}]}{2mx} \right)^b$$

Where

$$A_{a,b}^s = \sum_{c=0}^{\min(a,b)} \frac{2^c s!}{(s-a-b+c)!(a-c)!(b-c)!c!}$$

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Let's compare

$$\text{EFT} \quad x^2 C_{S^{a+b}} \tilde{A}_{a,b}^s \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{s-a} \left(-\frac{x \langle \mathbf{23} \rangle \langle \mathbf{31} \rangle}{2m} \right)^a [\mathbf{21}]^{s-b} \left(\frac{[\mathbf{23}][\mathbf{31}]}{2mx} \right)^b$$

$$\text{"Minimal coupling"} \quad \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{2s} = \left(\langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^2 \right)^s = \sum_{a,b=0}^s A_{a,b}^s \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{s-a} \left(-\frac{x \langle \mathbf{23} \rangle \langle \mathbf{31} \rangle}{2m} \right)^a [\mathbf{21}]^{s-b} \left(\frac{[\mathbf{23}][\mathbf{31}]}{2mx} \right)^b$$

This is exactly the same if $A_{a,b}^s = \tilde{A}_{a,b}^s$!

The simplest amplitude

Let us compare with minimal coupling

However, there is a very simple relationship:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{a,b}^s &= \sum_{i=0}^{\min(a,b)} \binom{s}{i} \tilde{A}_{a-i,b-i}^{s-i} \\ &= \tilde{A}_{a,b}^s + s \tilde{A}_{a-1,b-1}^{s-1} + \frac{s(s-1)}{2} \tilde{A}_{a-2,b-2}^{s-2} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

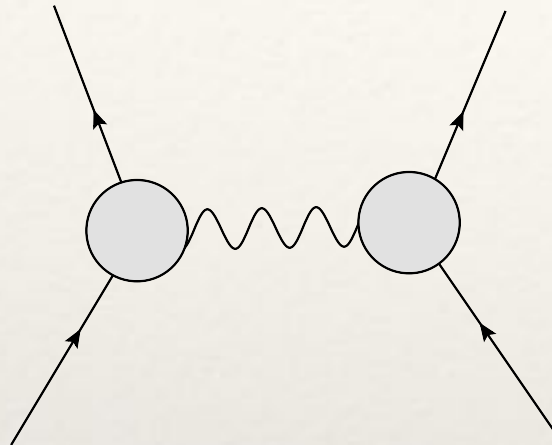
Since $A_{a,b}^s = \binom{s}{a} \binom{s}{b}$ scales as $\frac{s^{a+b}}{a!b!}$, we see that in the large s limit

$$A_{a,b}^s = \tilde{A}_{a,b}^s (1 + \mathcal{O}(1/s))$$

The coupling $x^2 \langle 12 \rangle^s$ marches with Kerr black hole coefficients as $s \rightarrow \infty$! See also Alfredo Guevara, Justine Vine and Alexander Ochirov

The inspired gravitational potential

see also ([Alfredo Guevara 1706.02314](#))



$$\frac{\mathcal{M}}{4E_a E_b} \xrightarrow{NR} V_{Cl}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathcal{M}}{4E_a E_b} \Big|_{S_a^1 S_b^0} &= \frac{8\pi i G (m_a + m_b)}{q^2 m_a} (\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{p}_a \times \vec{q}) + \dots \\ &= -\frac{2G}{r^2} \frac{m_a + m_b}{m_a} (\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{p}_a \times \hat{n}) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

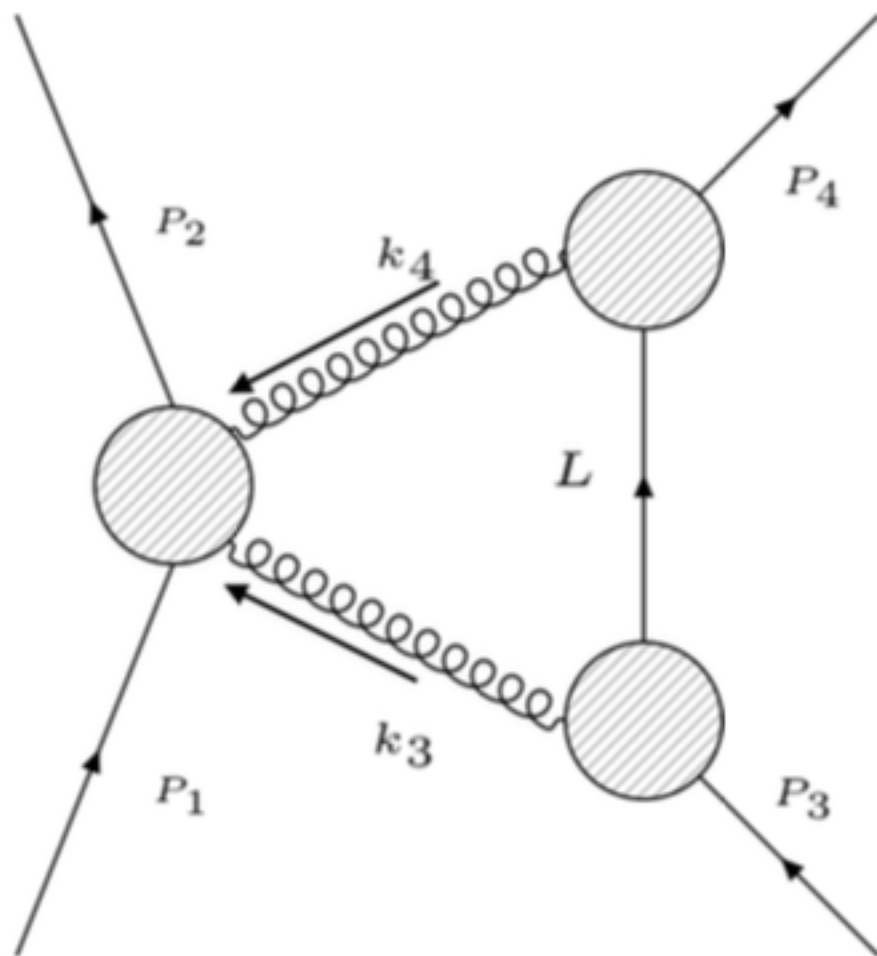
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathcal{M}}{4E_a E_b} \Big|_{S_a^1 S_b^1} &= -\frac{4\pi G}{q^2} (\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{q})(\vec{S}_b \cdot \vec{q}) + \dots \\ &= -\frac{G}{r^3} \left(\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{S}_b - 3(\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{n})(\vec{S}_b \cdot \vec{n}) \right) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathcal{M}}{4E_a E_b} \Big|_{S_a^2 S_b^0} &= -\frac{2\pi G m_b}{q^2 m_a} (\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{q})^2 + \dots \\ &= -\frac{G m_b}{2m_a r^3} \left(\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{S}_a - 3(\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{n})^2 \right) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathcal{M}}{4E_a E_b} \Big|_{S_a^3 S_b^0} &= \frac{4i\pi G (m_a + m_b)}{3q^2 m_a^3} (\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{q})^2 (\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{p}_a \times \vec{q}) + \dots \\ &= -\frac{G(m_a + m_b)}{r^4 m_a^3} (\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{p}_a \times \vec{n}) \left(\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{S}_a - 5(\vec{S}_a \cdot \vec{n})^2 \right) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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With the Compton amplitude, we can now compute the NLO spin effects



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Out look

- There is a natural expansion basis for the scattering of massive states that makes physical properties of the interaction transparent. UV behaviors, magnetic moments
- Show that all charged perturbative string states must have $g=2$
- Kerr-black holes have the simplest spinning amplitude (supersymmetric?)
- Leads to on-shell approach to compute spin-dependent pieces of gravitational potential
- For fixed spins, subleading trajectories are degenerate, and should be the dominant contributions to BH microstate counting (Horowitz-Polchinski)→ amplitudes of subleading trajectories are simpler than leading ones?
- We see that Kerr-Black hole has x^2 coupling. How is this protected under quantum corrections?