

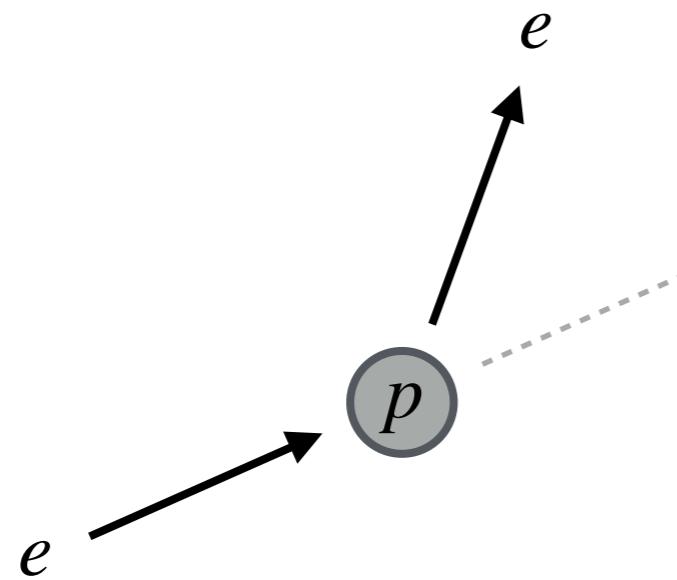
# An Effective Field Theory For Extreme Mass Ratios

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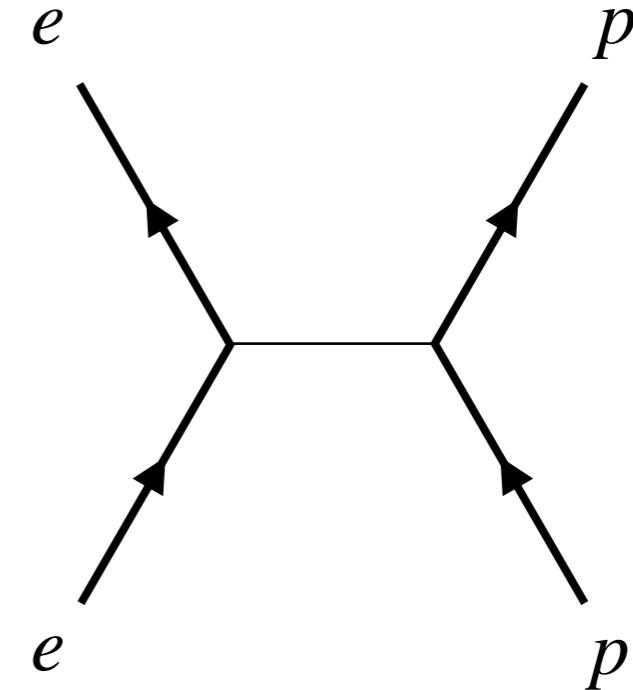
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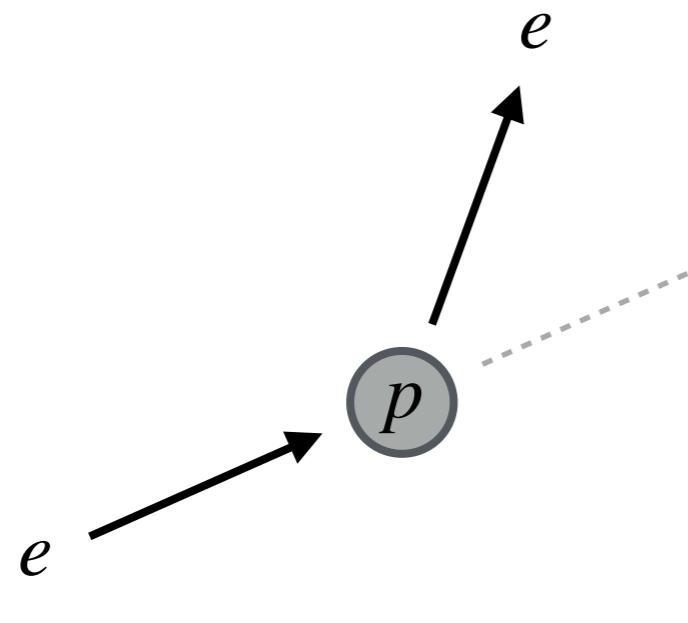


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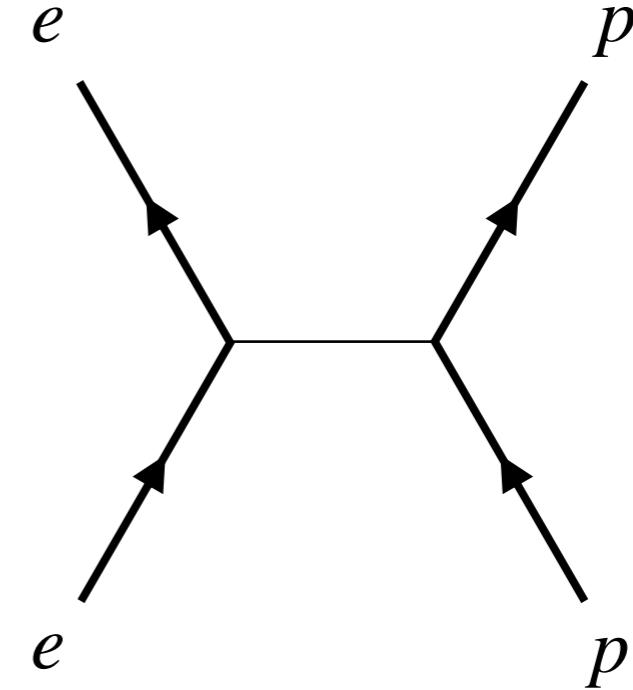


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When does background field theory end and perturbation theory on a trivial vacuum begin?

The breakdown of the background field theory is signaled by the importance of corrections that:

- enter as powers of  $\lambda = m_L/m_H$
- encode heavy particle “wobble”
- are perturbatively calculable

As in HQET or NRQCD, we integrate out the heavy state, but we also keep all orders in  $\alpha$  data!

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## Quantum Tree Graphs and the Schwarzschild Solution

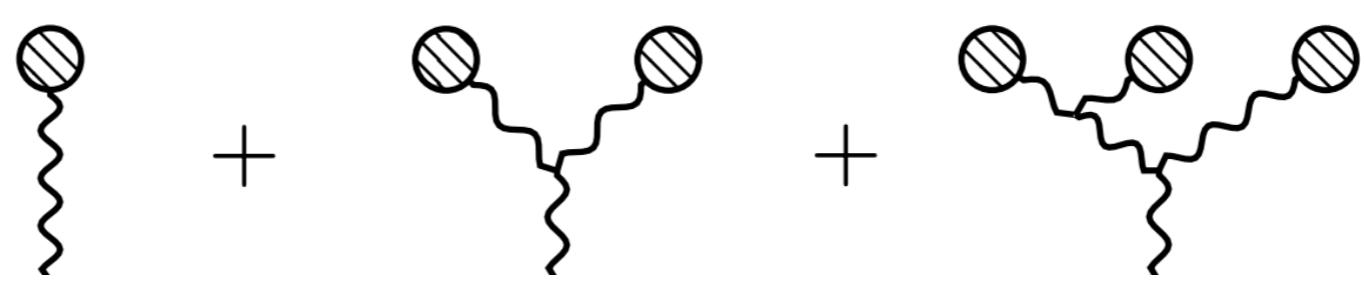
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static matter source

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All orders in coupling is rare in perturbative QFT  
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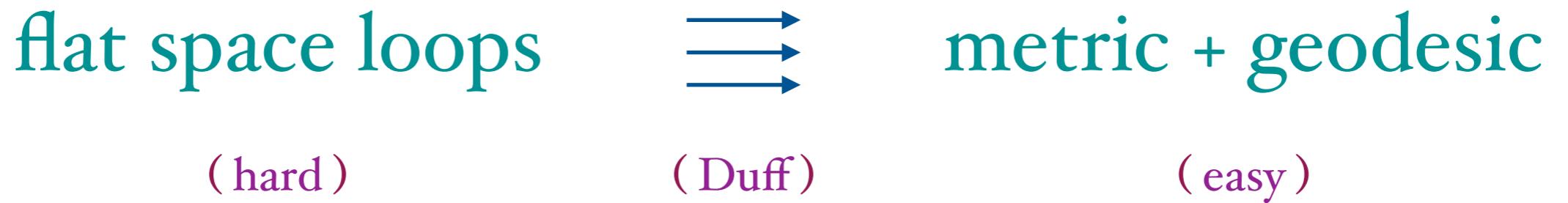
$$x(\tau) \sim$$

matter  
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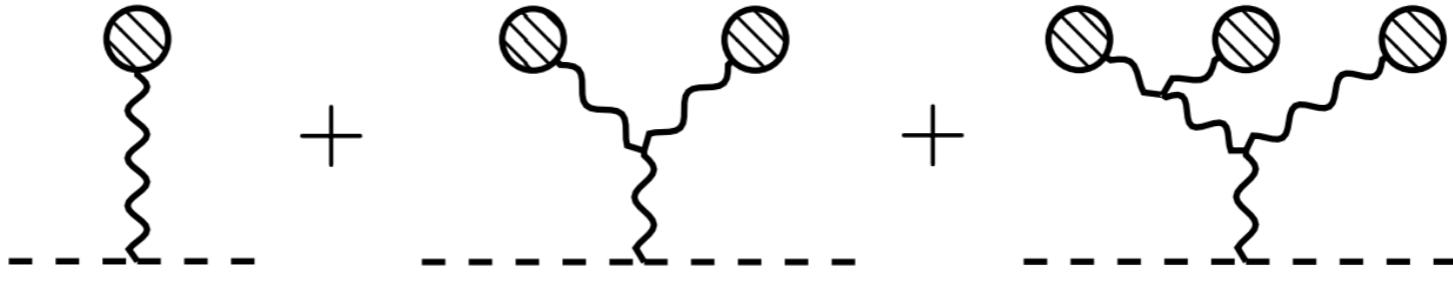
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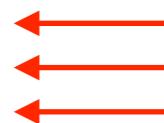
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flat space loops

( hard )



metric + geodesic

( this talk )

( easy )

Our goal: to maximally leverage all-orders-in- $G$  classical results to flat space perturbation theory.

$$\text{exact answer} = \text{background field method} + \text{everything else}$$

( Schwarzschild metric,  
geodesic trajectories )      ( “recoil operator” )

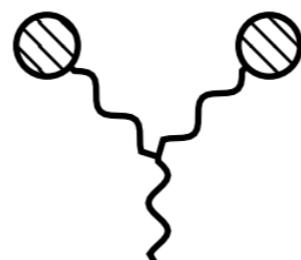
Obviously this is just a reshuffling of perturbation theory. But metrics + geodesics nicely encode loop integrand contributions automatically!

# Classical solutions implement integral reduction.

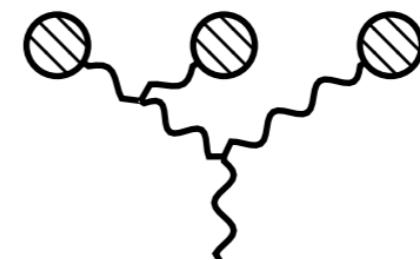
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numerators



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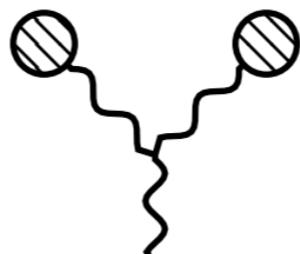
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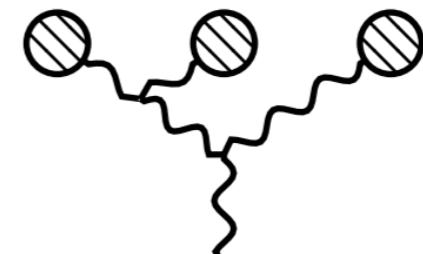
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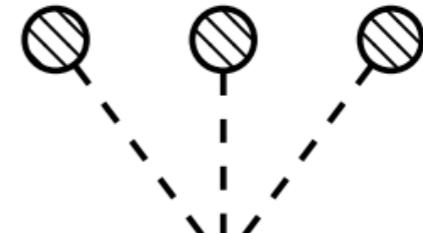
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# I. Electromagnetism

To warmup, take EM with a light + heavy particle,

$$S_{\text{EM}} = \int d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{4}F^2 \right] + \sum_{i=L,H} m_i \int d\tau \left[ -\frac{1}{2}\dot{x}_i^2 - z_i \dot{x}_i^\mu A_\mu \right]$$

where we fix charge-to-mass-ratios  $z_i = q_i/m_i$  to maximally parallel GR. The SF parameter is:

$$\lambda = \frac{m_L}{m_H}$$

Expand about a  $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^0)$  background and trajectory.

$$x_i^\mu = \bar{x}_i^\mu + \delta x_i^\mu$$
$$A_\mu = \bar{A}_\mu + \delta A_\mu$$

$\mathcal{O}(\lambda^0)$   $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^0)$

closed-form trajectory  $\sim 1/r$  deflection photon

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graph TD; O1["O(λ⁰)"] --> X["x_i⁹ = bar{x}_i⁹ + δx_i⁹"]; O2["O(λ⁰)"] --> A["A_µ = bar{A}_µ + δA_µ"]; X -- "closed-form trajectory" --> CFT; X -- "deflection" --> DFT; A -- "photon" --> PHOTON; A -- "1/r" --> BFT
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Now consider some explicit 0SF backgrounds.

- heavy trajectory

$$\bar{x}_H^\mu(\tau) = u_H^\mu \tau$$

- EM field

$$\bar{A}_\mu(x) = \frac{z_H m_H u_{H\mu}}{4\pi r} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad r = \sqrt{(u_H x)^2 - x^2}$$

- light trajectory

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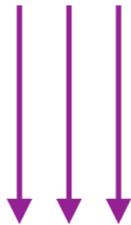
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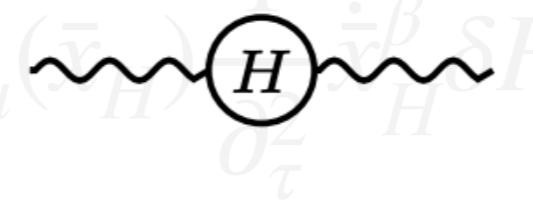
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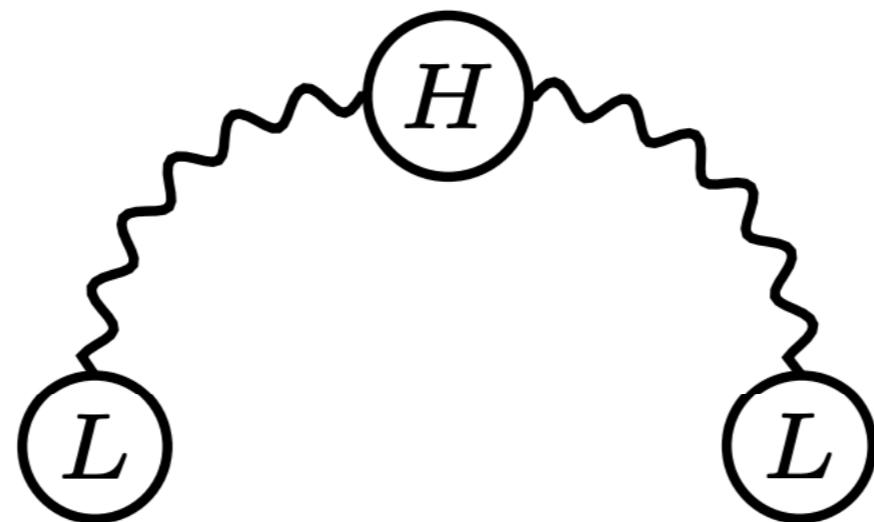
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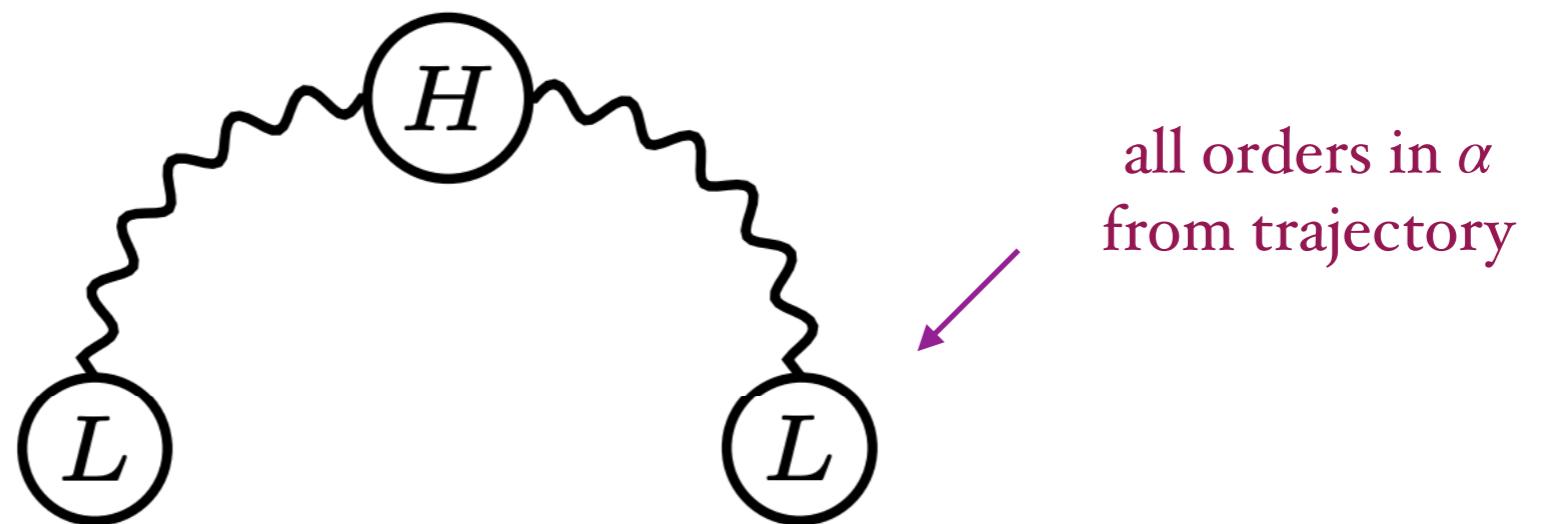
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propagator

$$\text{~~~~~} = \lambda z_L m_H \int d\tau e^{-ip\bar{x}_L} \dot{\bar{x}}_L^\mu$$

source

$$\text{~~~~~} = iz_H^2 m_H \frac{\delta(u_H p_1 + u_H p_2)}{(u_H p_1)(u_H p_2)} \mathcal{O}^{\alpha\mu_1}(u_H, p_1) \mathcal{O}_\alpha{}^{\mu_2}(u_H, p_2)$$

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probe trajectory  
encodes integrand

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$$\hat{x}_1^\mu = \hat{\alpha} \left( \operatorname{asinh} \hat{\tau} \check{u}_H^\mu - \frac{\hat{r}_0(\hat{\tau})}{v} \hat{b}^\mu \right)$$

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proper time  
domain



$$\hat{x}_k^\mu = \bar{x}_k^\mu / b \quad \hat{\tau} = (\sigma^2 - 1)^{1/2} \tau / b \quad \hat{r}_0(\hat{\tau}) = \sqrt{1 + \hat{\tau}^2}$$

$$\check{u}_H^\mu = \frac{\sigma u_L - u_H}{\sigma^2 - 1} \quad \check{u}_L^\mu = \frac{\sigma u_H - u_L}{\sigma^2 - 1} \quad \hat{\alpha} = \alpha / b m_L (\sigma^2 - 1)^{1/2} \quad \sigma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2}}$$

...then by applying simple identities such as

$$\operatorname{asinh}(\hat{\tau}) = \frac{1}{\partial_{\hat{\tau}}} \left( \frac{1}{\hat{r}_0(\hat{\tau})} \right) \sim \frac{1}{\omega} \frac{1}{p^2}$$

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freedom here!

## II. General Relativity

Now consider GR with a light + heavy particle,

$$S_{\text{GR}} = -\frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R - \sum_{i=L,H} \frac{1}{2} m_i \int d\tau \dot{x}_i^\mu \dot{x}_i^\nu g_{\mu\nu}(x_i)$$

after gauge fixing the einbein to one. As before, mass ratio defines the SF expansion parameter:

$$\lambda = \frac{m_L}{m_H}$$

Expand about a  $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^0)$  background and trajectory.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{O}(\lambda^0) & & \mathcal{O}(\lambda^0) \\ x_i^\mu = \bar{x}_i^\mu + \delta x_i^\mu & \xrightarrow{\text{deviation}} & g_{\mu\nu} = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu} + \delta g_{\mu\nu} \\ \text{probe geodesic} & & \text{Schwarzschild} \\ & \xrightarrow{\text{graviton}} & \end{array}$$

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integrate out  
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Now consider some explicit 0SF backgrounds.

- heavy trajectory

$$\bar{x}_H^\mu(\tau) = u_H^\mu \tau$$

- metric

$$\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}(x) = f_+(r)^4 \eta_{\mu\nu} + \left[ \frac{f_-(r)^2}{f_+(r)^2} - f_+(r)^4 \right] u_{H\mu} u_{H\nu}$$

$$f_\pm(r) = 1 \pm \frac{r_S}{4r}$$

- light trajectory

$$\bar{x}_L^\mu(\tau) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \ddot{\bar{x}}_L^\mu(\tau) + \bar{\Gamma}^\mu{}_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{x}_L) \dot{\bar{x}}_L^\alpha \dot{\bar{x}}_L^\beta = 0$$

## Perturbative terms from Schwarzschild metric:

$$\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}(x) = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \bar{\gamma}_{\mu\nu}(x)$$

$$\bar{\gamma}_{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{r_S}{r}(\eta_{\mu\nu} - 2u_{H\mu}u_{H\nu}) + \frac{1}{8}\left(\frac{r_S}{r}\right)^2(3\eta_{\mu\nu} + u_{H\mu}u_{H\nu}) + \dots$$

$$\tilde{\gamma}_{\mu\nu}(p) = -\frac{4\pi r_S}{p^2}(\eta_{\mu\nu} - 2u_{H\mu}u_{H\nu})\delta(u_H p)$$

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$$+ \int d^4x \sqrt{-\bar{g}} \left[ \mathcal{O}(\delta g^2) - \frac{1}{2} \delta g_{\mu\nu} \bar{T}_L^{\mu\nu} \right]$$

with  $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^1)$  current  $\bar{T}_L^{\mu\nu}(x) = m_L \int d\tau \frac{\delta^4(x - \bar{x}_L)}{\sqrt{-\bar{g}}} \dot{\bar{x}}_L^\mu \dot{\bar{x}}_L^\nu$

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$$m_H \int d\tau \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \delta \dot{x}_H^2 + \delta x_H^\rho \dot{\bar{x}}_H^\mu \dot{\bar{x}}_H^\nu \delta \Gamma_{\rho\mu\nu}(\bar{x}_H) \right]$$



$$S_{\text{recoil}} = -\frac{1}{2} m_H \int d\tau \dot{\bar{x}}_H^\alpha \dot{\bar{x}}_H^\beta \delta \Gamma^{\mu}_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{x}_H) \frac{1}{\partial_\tau^2} \dot{\bar{x}}_H^\gamma \dot{\bar{x}}_H^\delta \delta \Gamma_{\mu\gamma\delta}(\bar{x}_H)$$

$$\delta \Gamma_{\rho\mu\nu} = \Gamma_{\rho\mu\nu} - \bar{\Gamma}_{\rho\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \delta g_{\nu\rho} + \partial_\nu \delta g_{\mu\rho} - \partial_\rho \delta g_{\mu\nu})$$

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recall that  
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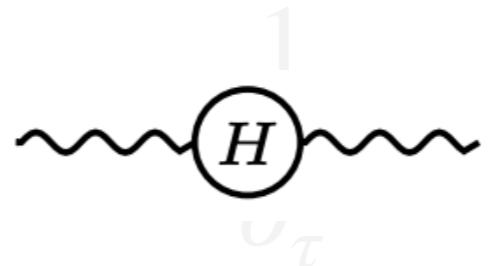
$$S_{\text{BF}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \text{curved space propagator} \right]$$

$\mathcal{O}(g^2) - \frac{1}{2} \delta g_{\mu\nu} \bar{T}_L^{\mu\nu}$  source



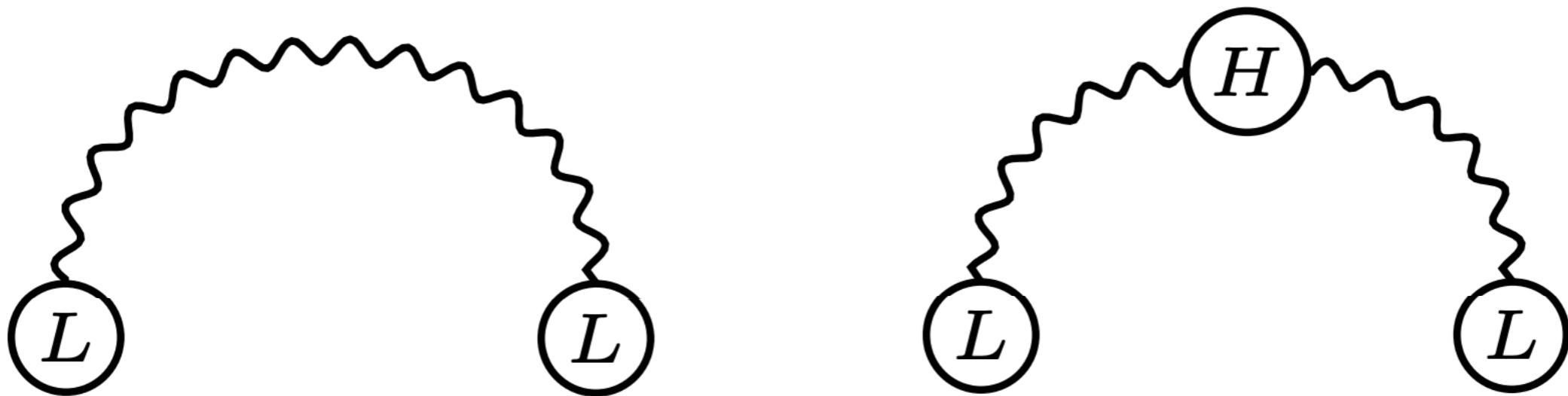
$$S_{\text{recoil}} = -\frac{1}{2} m_H \int d\tau \dot{\bar{x}}_H^\alpha \dot{\bar{x}}_H^\beta \delta \Gamma^\mu_\alpha$$

$\frac{1}{\tau}$  recoil correction to propagator



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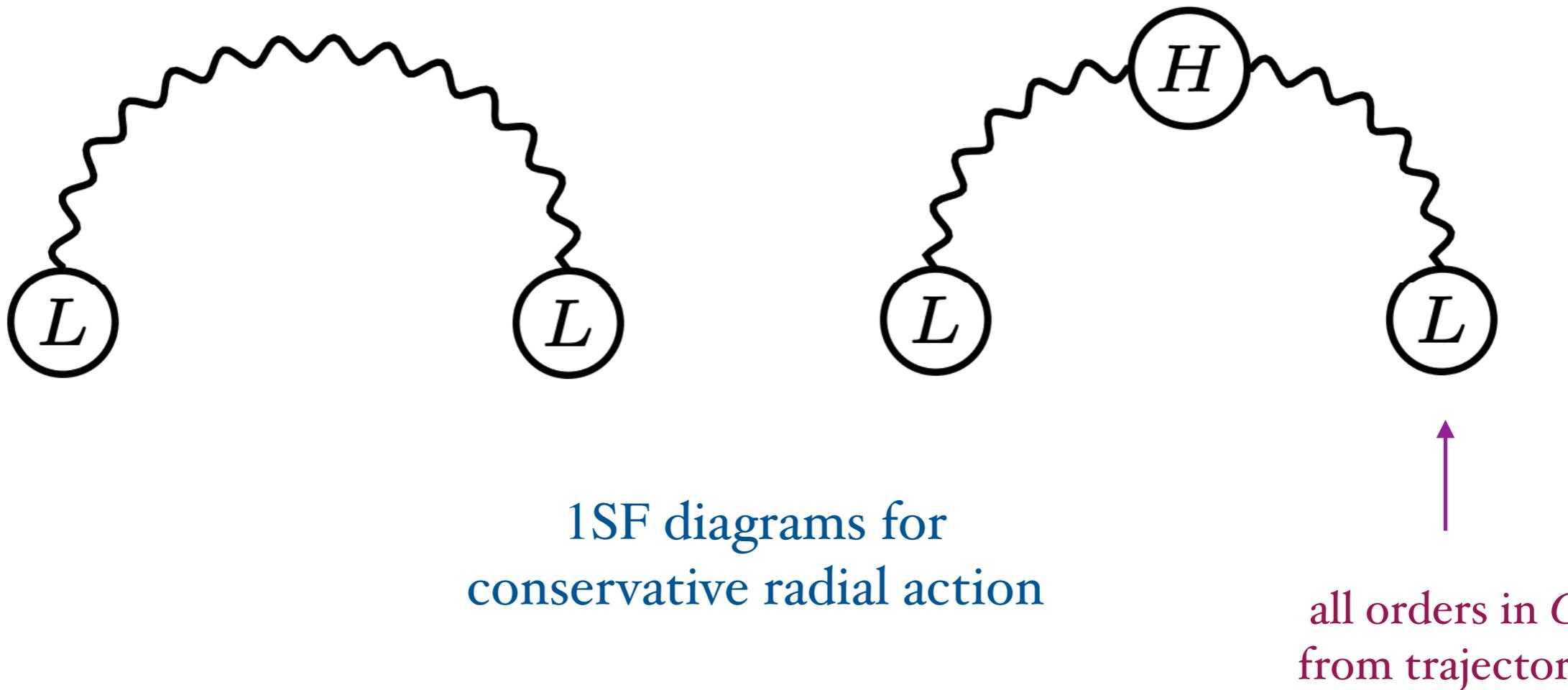
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1SF diagrams for  
conservative radial action

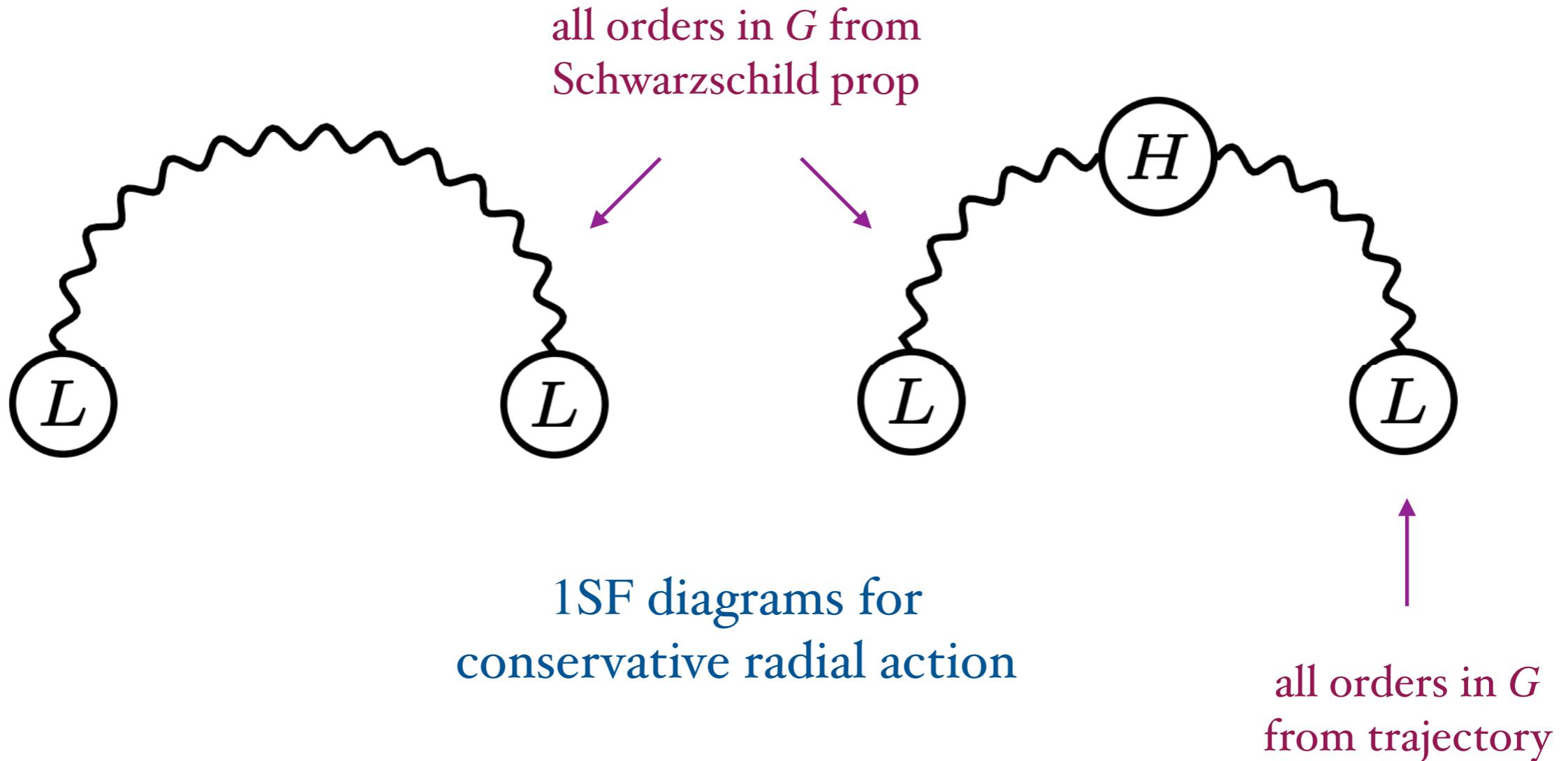
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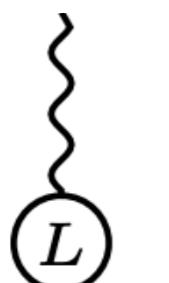
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The EFT Feynman rules for GR are given by:

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$$= \lambda m_H \int d\tau e^{-ip\bar{x}_L} \dot{\bar{x}}_L^\mu \dot{\bar{x}}_L^\nu$$

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$$\text{recoil} = \frac{im_H}{2} \frac{\delta(u_H p_1 + u_H p_2)}{(u_H p_1)(u_H p_2)} \mathcal{O}^{\alpha\mu_1\nu_1}(u_H, p_1) \mathcal{O}_\alpha^{\mu_2\nu_2}(u_H, p_2)$$

$$\mathcal{O}^{\alpha\mu\nu}(u, p) = \frac{1}{2}((u^\mu\eta^{\nu\alpha} + u^\nu\eta^{\mu\alpha})(up) - u^\mu u^\nu p^\alpha)$$

# Loop integrands via GR light particle trajectory:

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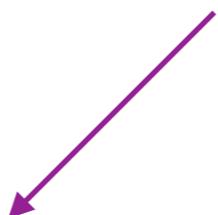
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$$\text{asinh } \hat{\tau} = \frac{1}{\partial_{\hat{\tau}}} \partial_{\hat{\tau}} \text{asinh } \hat{\tau} = \frac{1}{\partial_{\hat{\tau}}} \left( \frac{1}{(1 + \hat{\tau}^2)^{1/2}} \right)$$

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### III. Perturbative Calculations

We use this EFT to compute old and new results for the conservative radial action in EM and GR.

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# Example: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$ in EM (electric charges)

$$I_{\text{EM}}^{(i,j)} = \lambda^i m_L r_c \left(\frac{r_c}{b}\right)^{j-1} \mathcal{I}_{\text{EM}}^{(i,j)}(\sigma)$$

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$$I_{\text{GR}}^{(1,2)} = \lambda m_L r_S \frac{r_S}{b} \frac{3\pi(5\sigma^2 - 1)}{4\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}}$$

$$I_{\text{GR}}^{(1,3)} = \lambda m_L r_S \left(\frac{r_S}{b}\right)^2 \left( \frac{\sigma (36\sigma^6 - 114\sigma^4 + 132\sigma^2 - 55)}{12 (\sigma^2 - 1)^{5/2}} - \frac{(4\sigma^4 - 12\sigma^2 - 3) \operatorname{arccosh} \sigma}{2 (\sigma^2 - 1)} \right)$$

In this EFT it is relatively easy to add additional fields to GR, including spectator scalars / vector matter, or gravitational axion / dilaton.

# Example: $\mathcal{O}(G^3)$ in GR + $\phi$ + $A_\mu$ (spinless masses)

$$S_{\text{matt}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \nabla \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \xi R \phi^2 - \frac{1}{4} F^2 \right] - m_L \int d\tau \left[ y_L \phi(x_L) + z_L A_\mu(x_L) \dot{x}_L^\mu \right]$$

$$I_{\text{scalar}}^{(1,2)} = -\lambda m_L r_S \left( \frac{r_\Phi}{b} \right) \left( \frac{\pi}{8} \frac{\sigma^2 - 1 + 4\xi}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \right)$$

$$I_{\text{scalar}}^{(1,3)} = -\lambda m_L r_S \left( \frac{r_S r_\Phi}{b^2} \right) \frac{\sigma (2\sigma^4 - \sigma^2 - 1 + \xi (6\sigma^2 - 3))}{6 (\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2}}$$

$$I_{\text{vector}}^{(1,2)} = -\lambda m_L r_S \left( \frac{r_A}{b} \right) \left( \frac{\pi}{8} \frac{3\sigma^2 - 1}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 - 1}} \right)$$

$$I_{\text{vector}}^{(1,3)} = -\lambda m_L r_S \left( \frac{r_S r_A}{b^2} \right) \left( \frac{\sigma (8\sigma^4 - 28\sigma^2 + 23)}{12 (\sigma^2 - 1)^{3/2}} + \frac{(2\sigma^2 + 1) \operatorname{arccosh} \sigma}{(\sigma^2 - 1)} \right)$$

## Conclusions

We derive an EFT for SF corrections to probe dynamics by integrating out a heavy particle.

Using Schwarzschild and geodesic trajectories, we mine any order in  $G$  data for loop integrands.

We perform several old and new calculations of the conservative radial action in EM and GR.

Thank You!