

# Extraction of high-order post-Minkowskian results from self-force calculations



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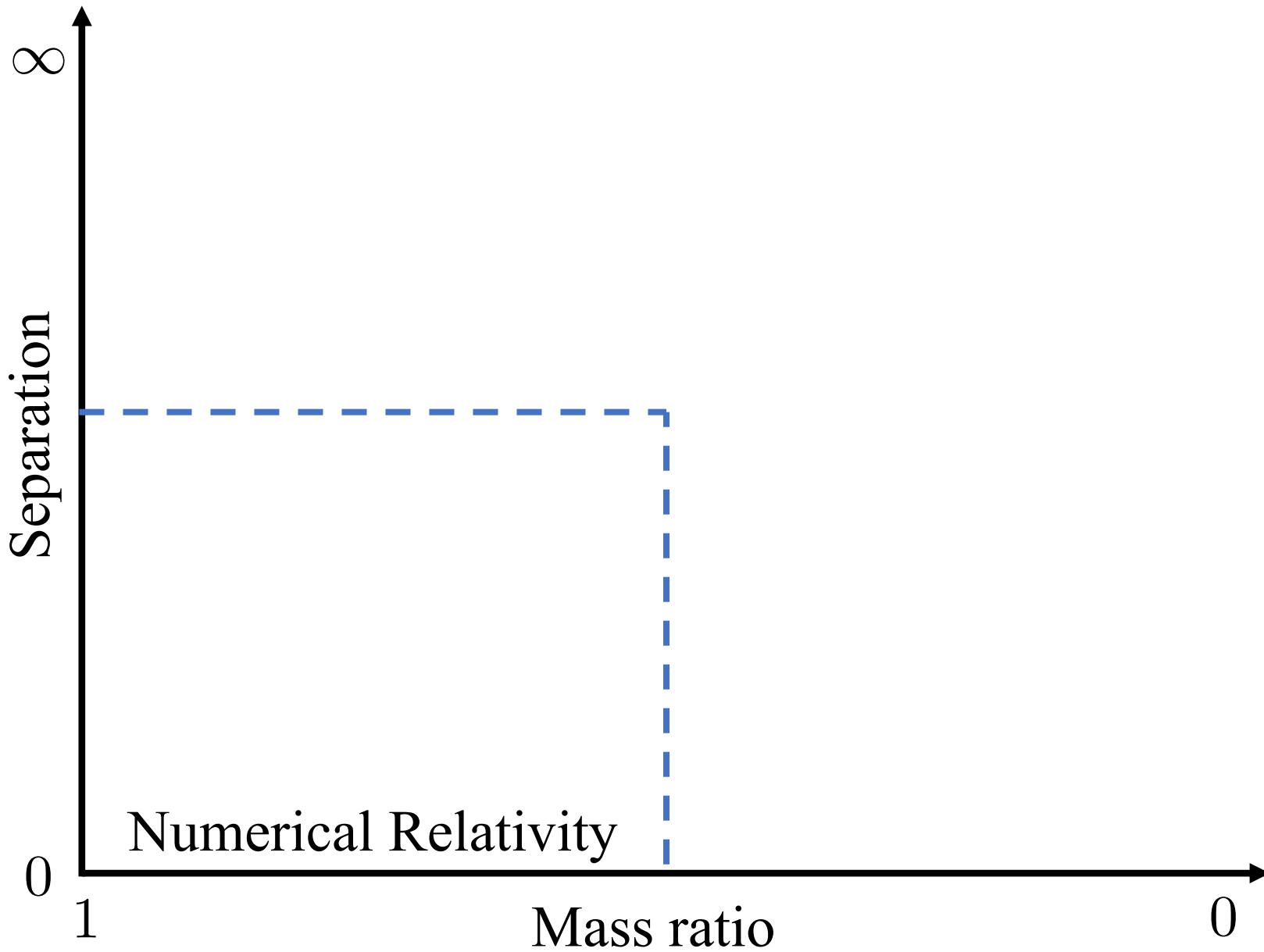
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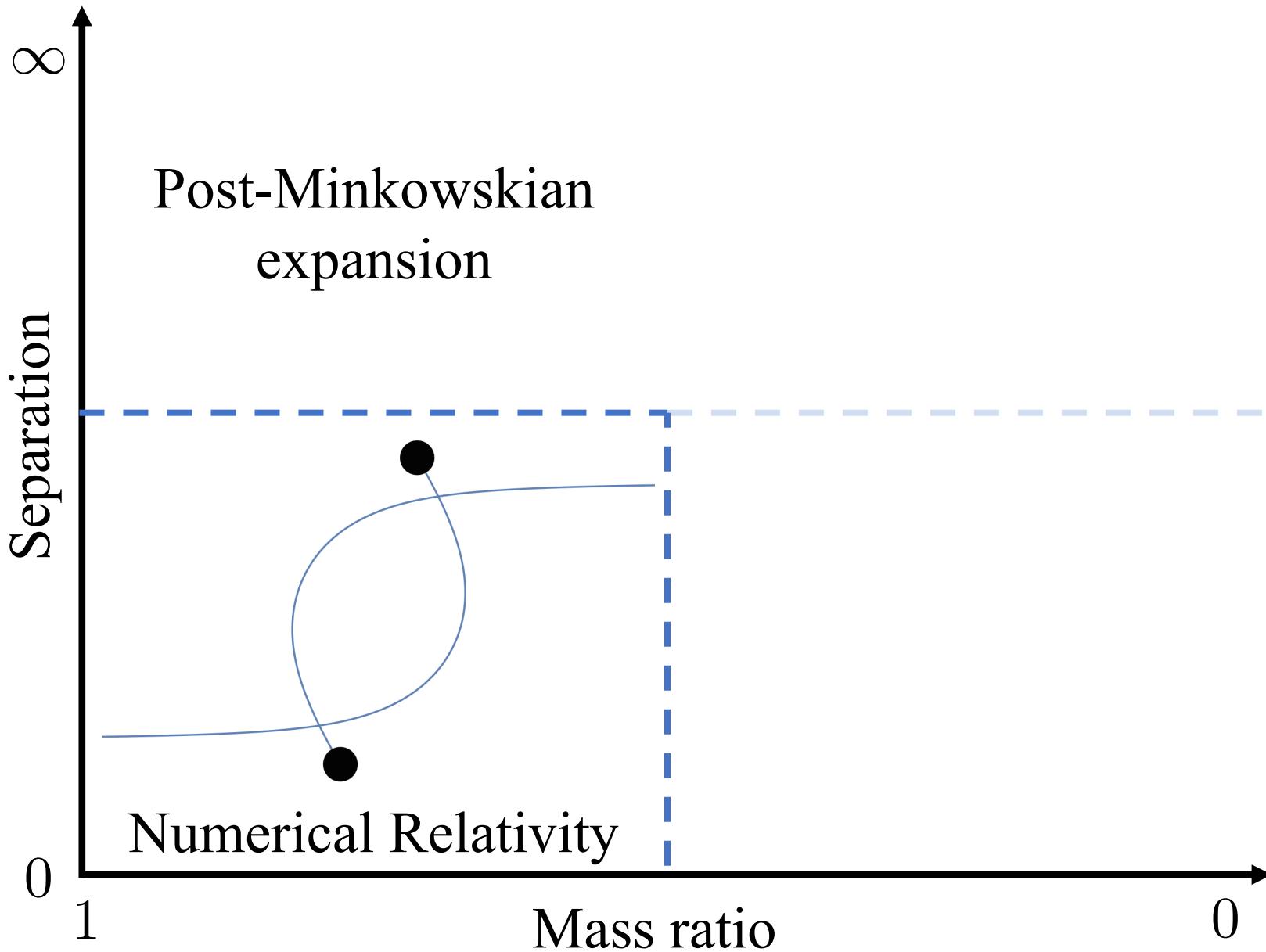
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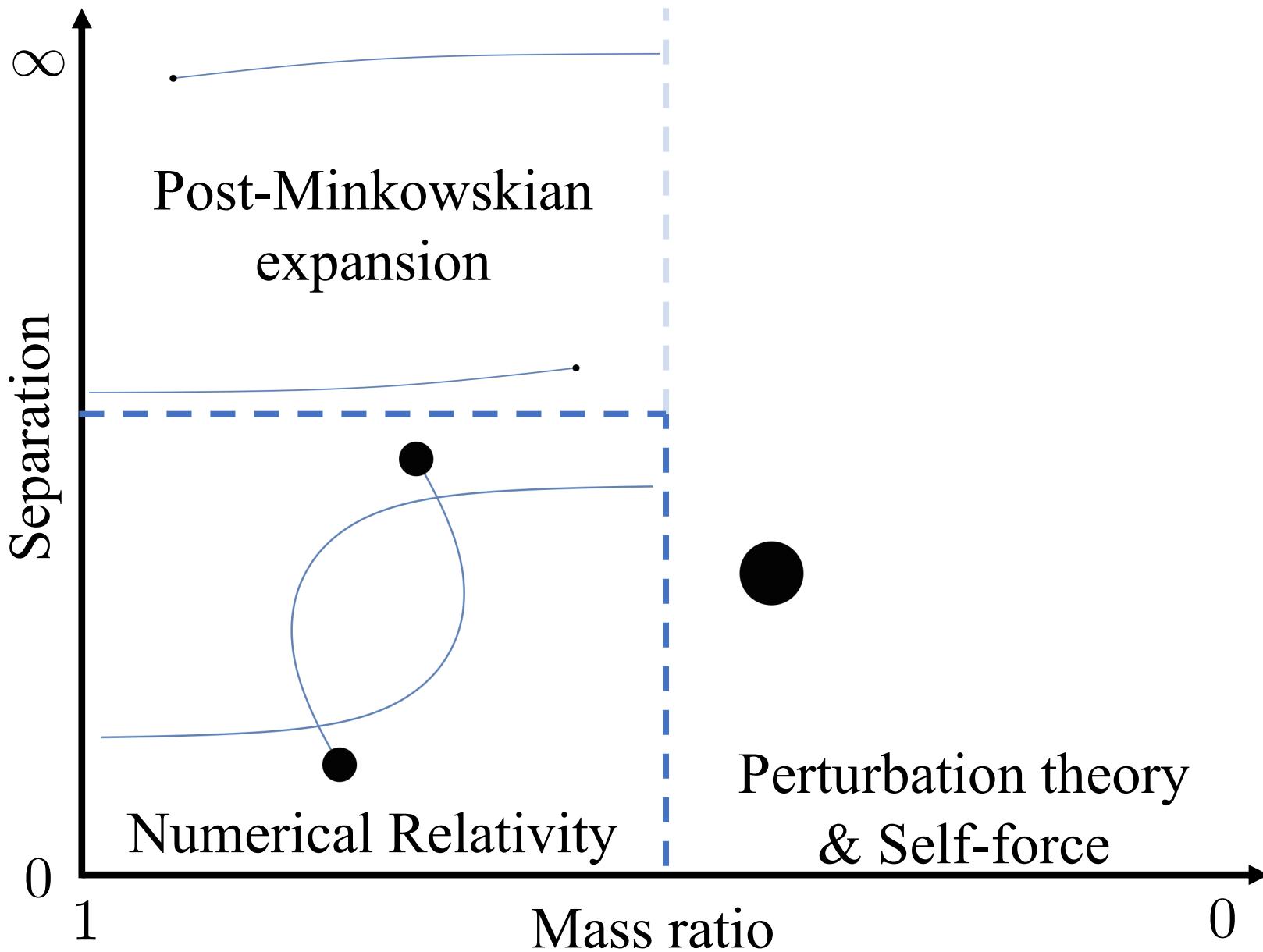
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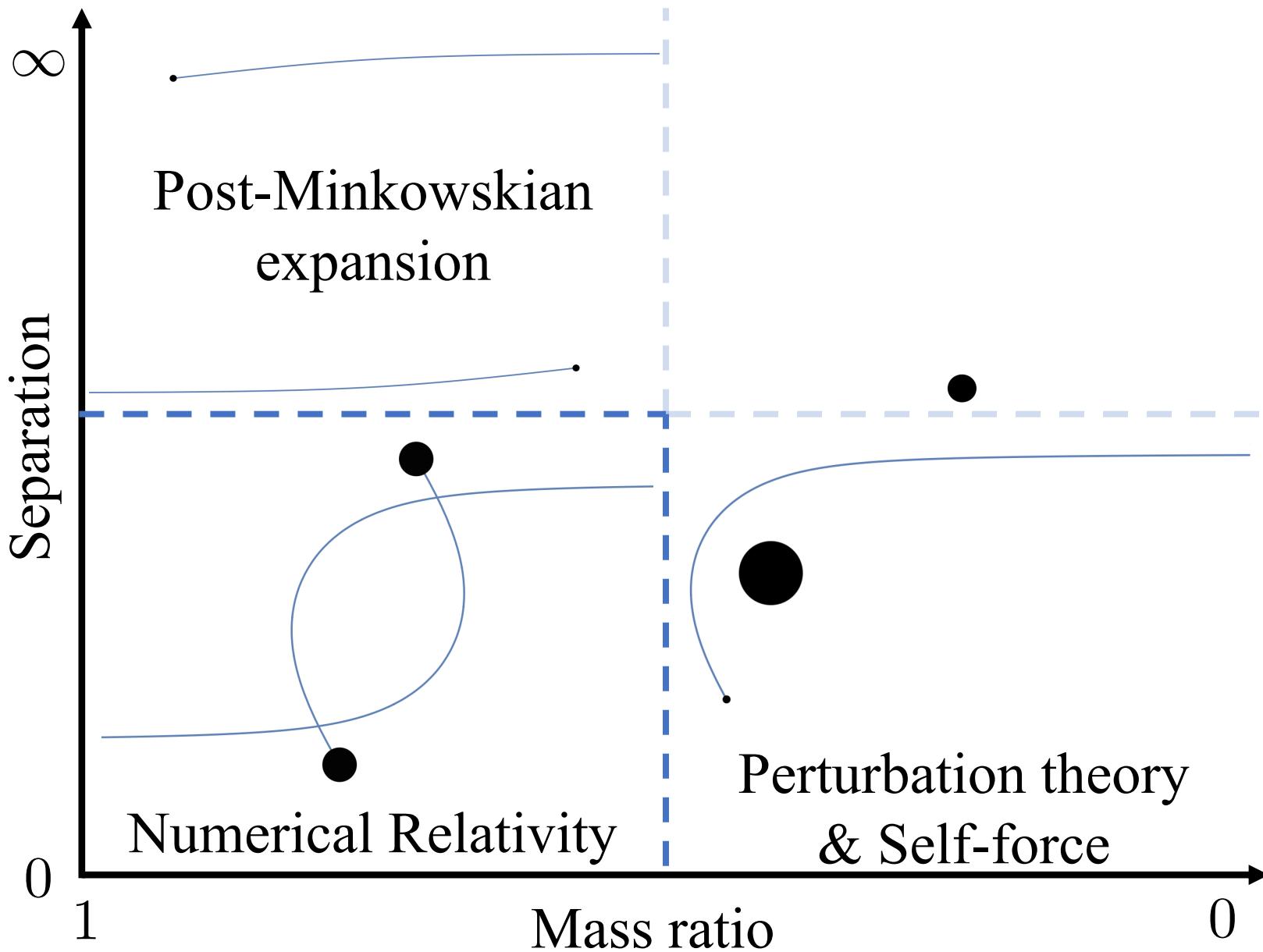
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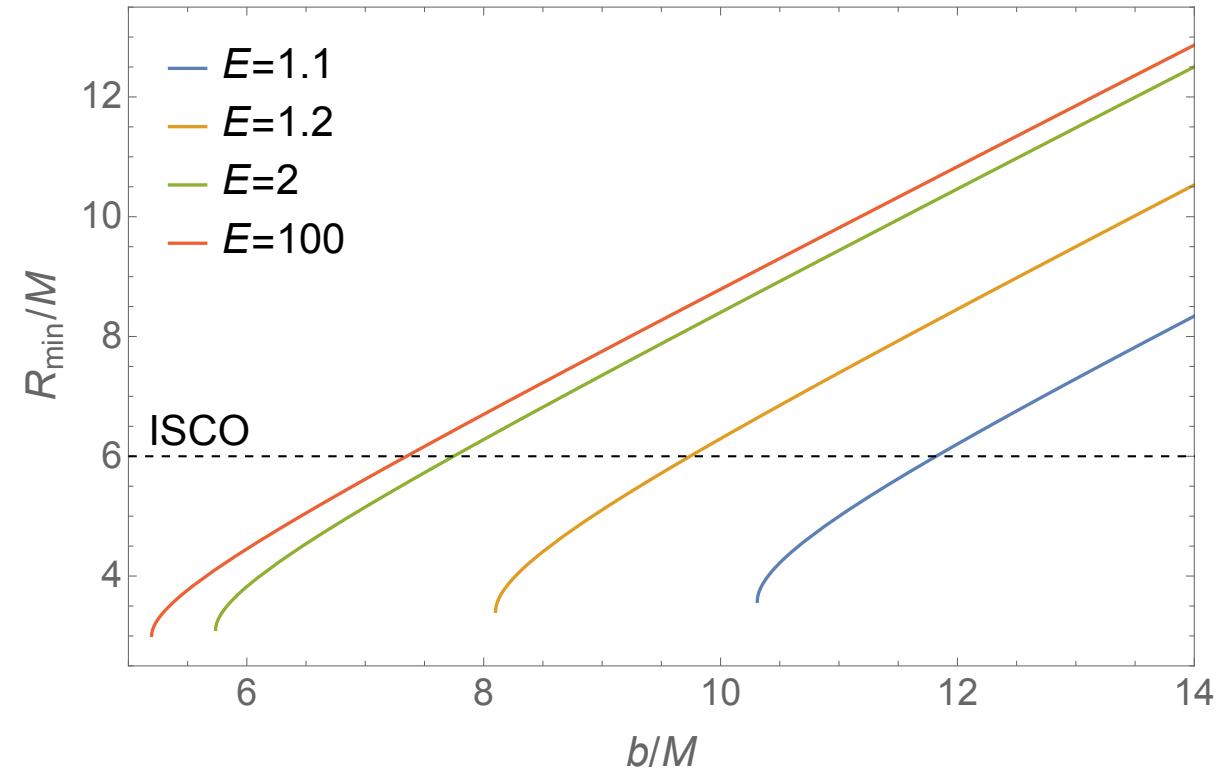
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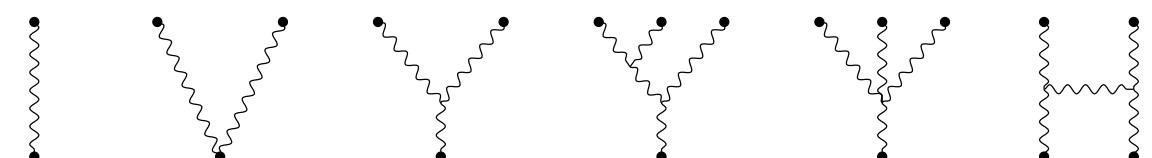
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**General Relativity**



**High-energy physics**



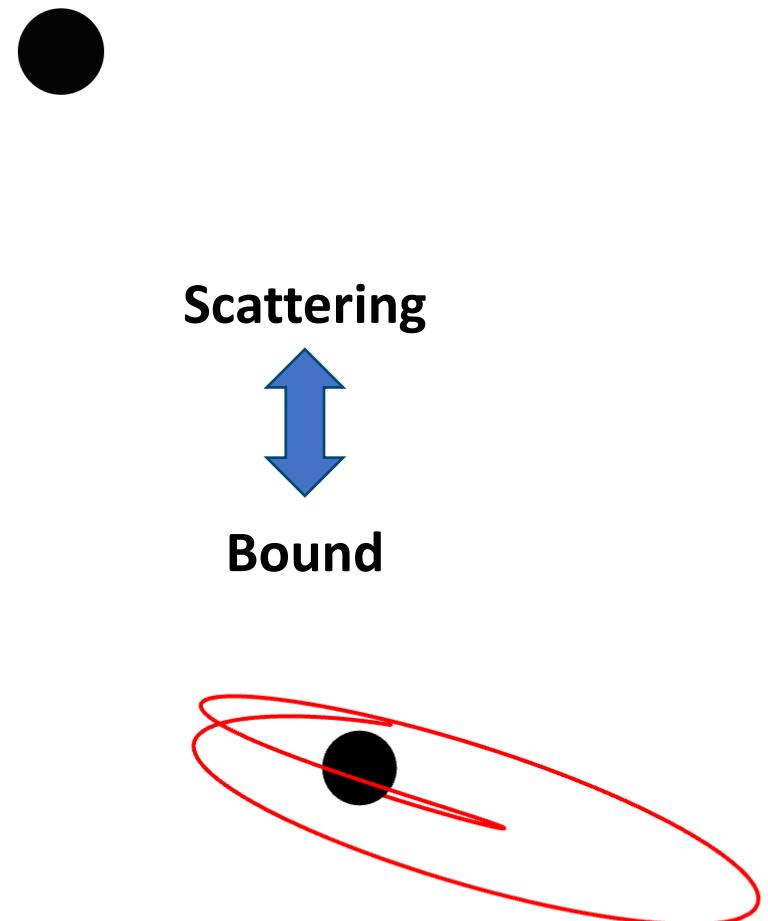
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- Dictionary between scatter and bound [Cho et al. '21].
  - Scattering angle  $\leftrightarrow$  periastron advance.



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Velocity at infinity and impact parameter:

$$v := \frac{dr}{dt} \Big|_{r \rightarrow \infty} \quad b := \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r \sin |\varphi(r) - \varphi(\infty)|$$

Geodesics:

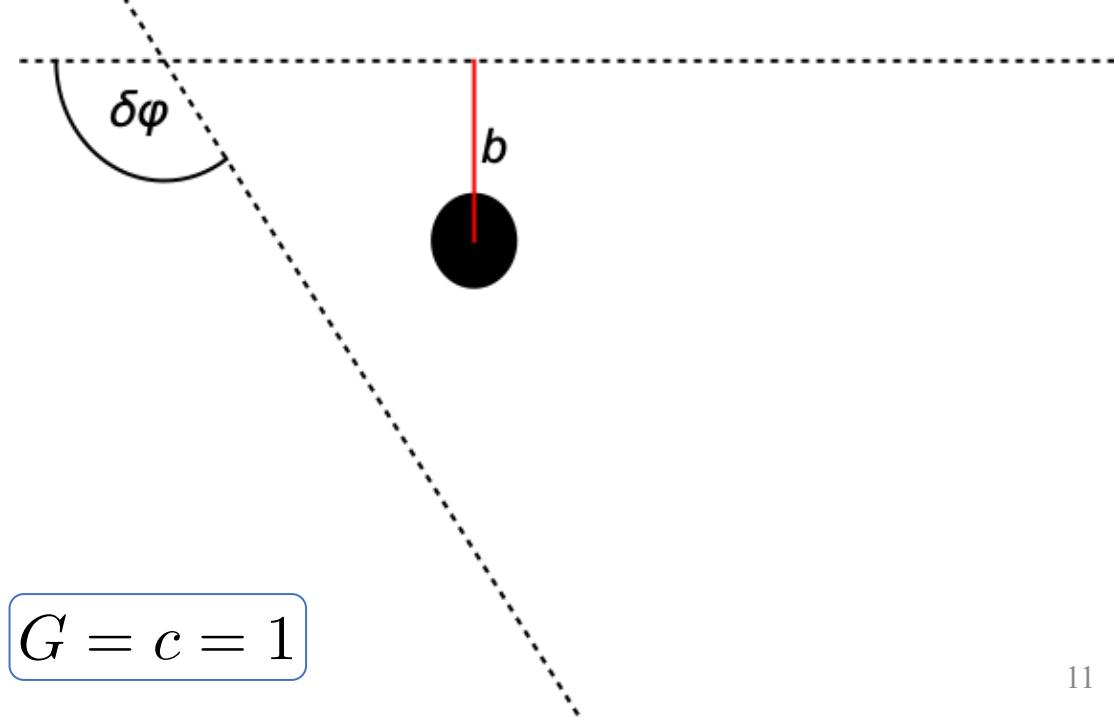
$$\frac{dt}{d\tau} = \frac{E r}{r - 2M}$$

$$\frac{d\varphi}{d\tau} = \frac{L}{r^2}$$

$$\left( \frac{dr}{d\tau} \right)^2 = E^2 - V(L; r)$$

Scattering angle:

$$\delta\varphi := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\varphi}{dt} dt - \pi$$



$$G = c = 1$$

# Self-forced equations of motion



Expansion in the mass ratio:

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta} + \eta h_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)} + \eta^2 h_{\alpha\beta}^{(2)} + \dots$$

$$\eta := \frac{\mu}{M}$$

Schwarzschild/Kerr

Perturbed equations of motion:

$$E = E_\infty - \eta \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} F_t d\tau$$

Geodesic

$$L = L_\infty + \eta \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} F_\varphi d\tau$$

Can split self-force into **conservative** and **dissipative** pieces:

$$F_\alpha^{\text{cons}}(r, \dot{r}) = -F_\alpha^{\text{cons}}(r, -\dot{r})$$

$$F_\alpha^{\text{diss}}(r, \dot{r}) = F_\alpha^{\text{diss}}(r, -\dot{r})$$

$$\alpha = t, \varphi$$

Dissipative self-force **removes energy and angular momentum from the system.**

# Self-force correction to the scattering angle

Scattering angle as a radial integral:

$$\delta\varphi = \sum_{\pm} \int_{r_p^{\pm}}^{\infty} \frac{\dot{\varphi}^{\pm}}{\dot{r}^{\pm}} dr - \pi = \sum_{\pm} \int_{r_p^{\pm}}^{\infty} \frac{H^{\pm}(r; E, L)}{\sqrt{r - r_p^{\pm}}} dr - \pi$$

Perturb equation [Barack & OL '22]:

$$\delta\varphi = \delta\varphi^{(0)} + \eta\delta\varphi^{(1)}$$

$$\delta\varphi^{(1)} = \sum_{\pm} \int_{R_{\min}}^{\infty} [\mathcal{G}_E^{\pm}(r; E_{\infty}, L_{\infty}) \boxed{F_t^{\pm}} - \mathcal{G}_L^{\pm}(r; E_{\infty}, L_{\infty}) \boxed{F_{\varphi}^{\pm}}] dr$$

Can split into **conservative** and **dissipative** pieces on outgoing leg:

$$\delta\varphi_{\text{cons}}^{(1)} = \int_{R_{\min}}^{\infty} [\mathcal{G}_E^{\text{cons}} F_t^{\text{cons}} - \mathcal{G}_L^{\text{cons}} F_{\varphi}^{\text{cons}}] dr \quad \delta\varphi_{\text{diss}}^{(1)} = \int_{R_{\min}}^{\infty} [\mathcal{G}_E^{\text{diss}} F_t^{\text{diss}} - \mathcal{G}_L^{\text{diss}} F_{\varphi}^{\text{diss}}] dr$$

# Scalar self-force model



Endow particle with a spin-0 scalar charge  $q$ .

New small parameter:

$$\eta := \frac{q}{\mu M}$$

Scalar field obeys the Klein-Gordon equation:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \partial_\alpha (\sqrt{-g} \partial^\alpha \Phi) = -4\pi q \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \delta^4 (x^\mu - x_p^\mu(\tau)) d\tau$$

Scalar self-force:

$$F_\mu := q \nabla_\mu \Phi \Big|_{x_p}$$

# Scalar self-force in terms of amplitudes

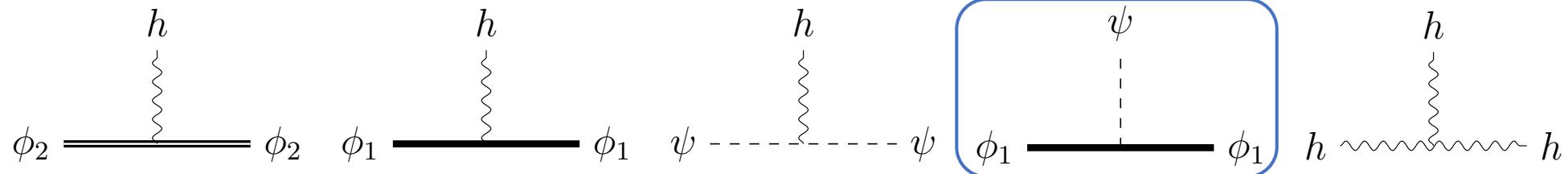
Lagrangian:

$$S = \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} \left[ -\frac{2}{\kappa^2} R + \frac{1}{2} \phi_1 (\square + m_1^2) \phi_1 + \frac{1}{2} \phi_2 (\square + m_2^2) \phi_2 + \frac{1}{2} \psi \square \psi + \frac{1}{2} q \psi \phi_1^2 \right]$$

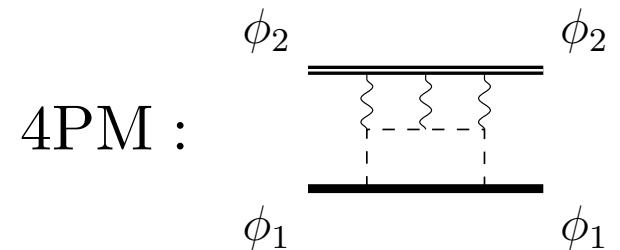
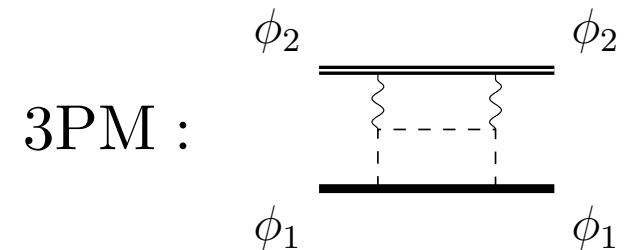
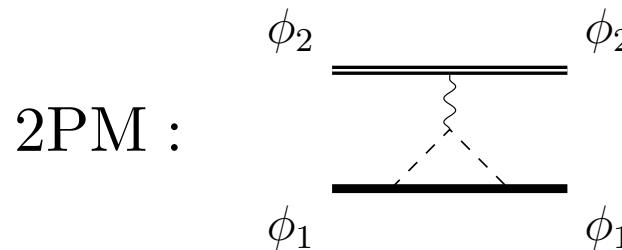
$\phi_{1,2}$  : black holes

$\psi$  : scalar field

Three-point interaction vertices:



Only keep terms which are **linear** in mass-ratio and proportional to  $q^2$  :



# Scattering angle correction: PM expansion

2PM [Gralla & Lobo '22]:

$$\delta\varphi_{\text{cons}}^{\text{2PM}} = -\frac{\pi}{4} \left( \frac{M}{b} \right)^2 \quad \delta\varphi_{\text{diss}}^{\text{2PM}} = 0$$

3PM:

$$\delta\varphi_{\text{cons}}^{\text{3PM}} = -\frac{4(3-v^2)}{3v^2\sqrt{1-v^2}} \left( \frac{M}{b} \right)^3 \quad \delta\varphi_{\text{diss}}^{\text{3PM}} = \frac{2(v^2+1)^2}{3v^3\sqrt{1-v^2}} \left( \frac{M}{b} \right)^3$$

4PM dissipative:

$$\delta\varphi_{\text{diss}}^{\text{4PM}} = \left( r_1 + r_2 \operatorname{arcsech} \left( \sqrt{1-v^2} \right) + r_3 \log \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} + 1 \right) \right] \right) \left( \frac{M}{b} \right)^4$$

$r_i$  = rational coefficients

# Scalar field evolution scheme

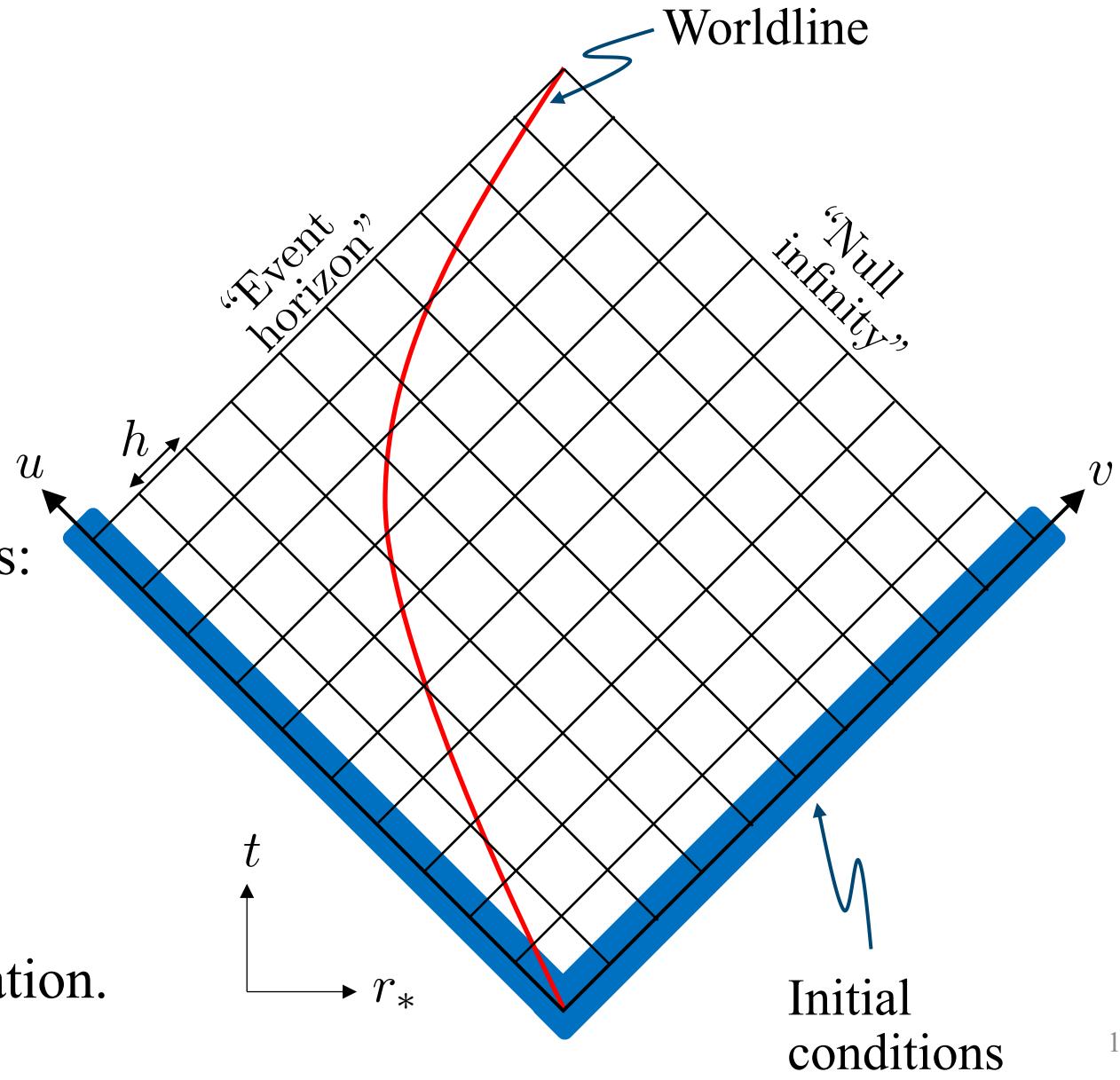
Decompose scalar field in the time-domain:

$$\Phi = \frac{2\pi q}{r} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \psi_{\ell m}(t, r) Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \varphi)$$

1+1D scalar wave equation in null-coordinates:

$$\psi_{,uv} + V(\ell; r)\psi = S_\psi(\ell; x_p^\mu) \delta(r - R)$$

Evolve finite-difference version of 1+1D equation.



# Post-processing: Truncation at finite radius

Can only numerically determine the self-force up to a **finite radius**  $R = R_{\text{final}}$  :

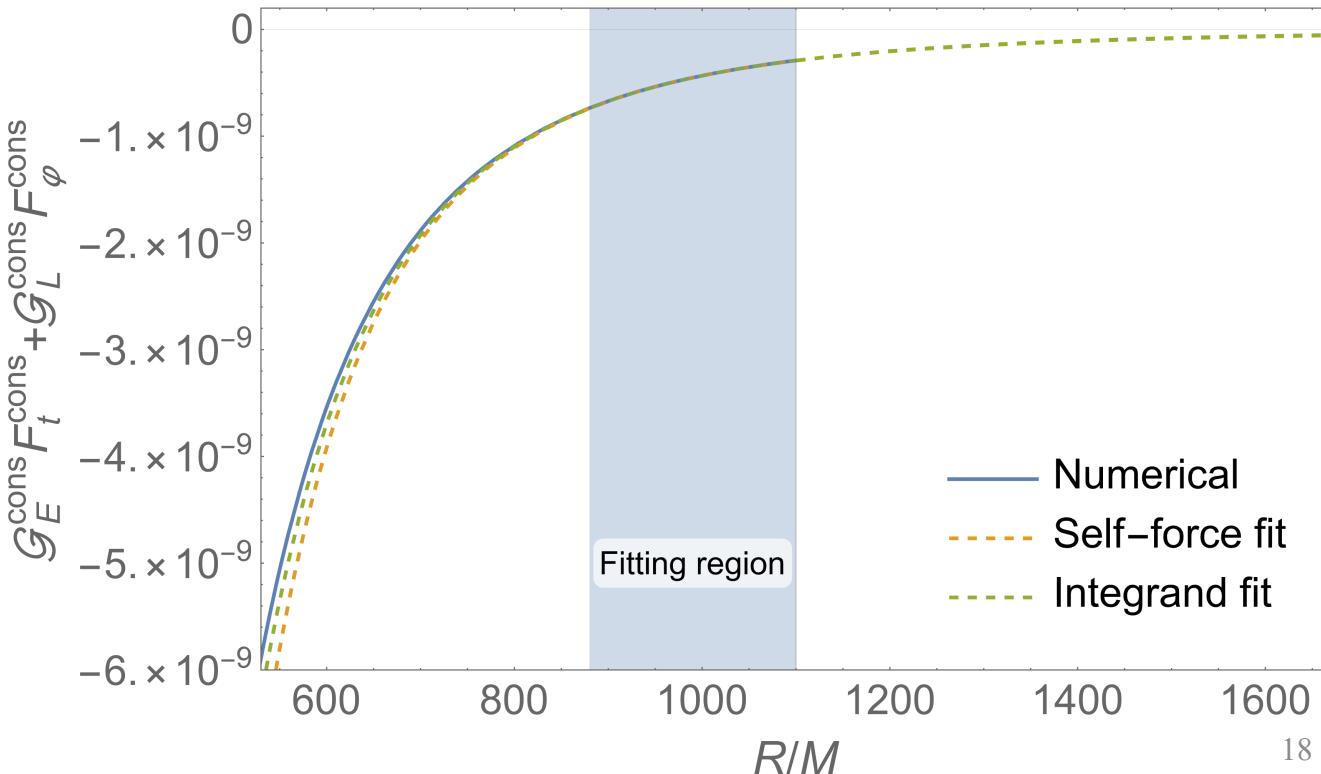
$$\delta\varphi^{(1)} = \int_{R_{\min}}^{R_{\text{final}}} [\mathcal{G}_E F_t - \mathcal{G}_L F_\varphi] dr + \int_{R_{\text{final}}}^{\infty} [\mathcal{G}_E F_t - \mathcal{G}_L F_\varphi] dr$$

Numerical                      Error ( $\sim 1\%$ )

Form an analytic tail by fitting to the data:

- Fit the **self-force** data.
- Fit the **integrand** directly.

Tail contributes an error  $\sim 0.01\%$ .



# Post-processing: Richardson extrapolation

Next dominant error due to **finite resolution**  $\sim 0.1\%$ .

Can increase the convergence from quadratic to **cubic** using Richardson extrapolation.

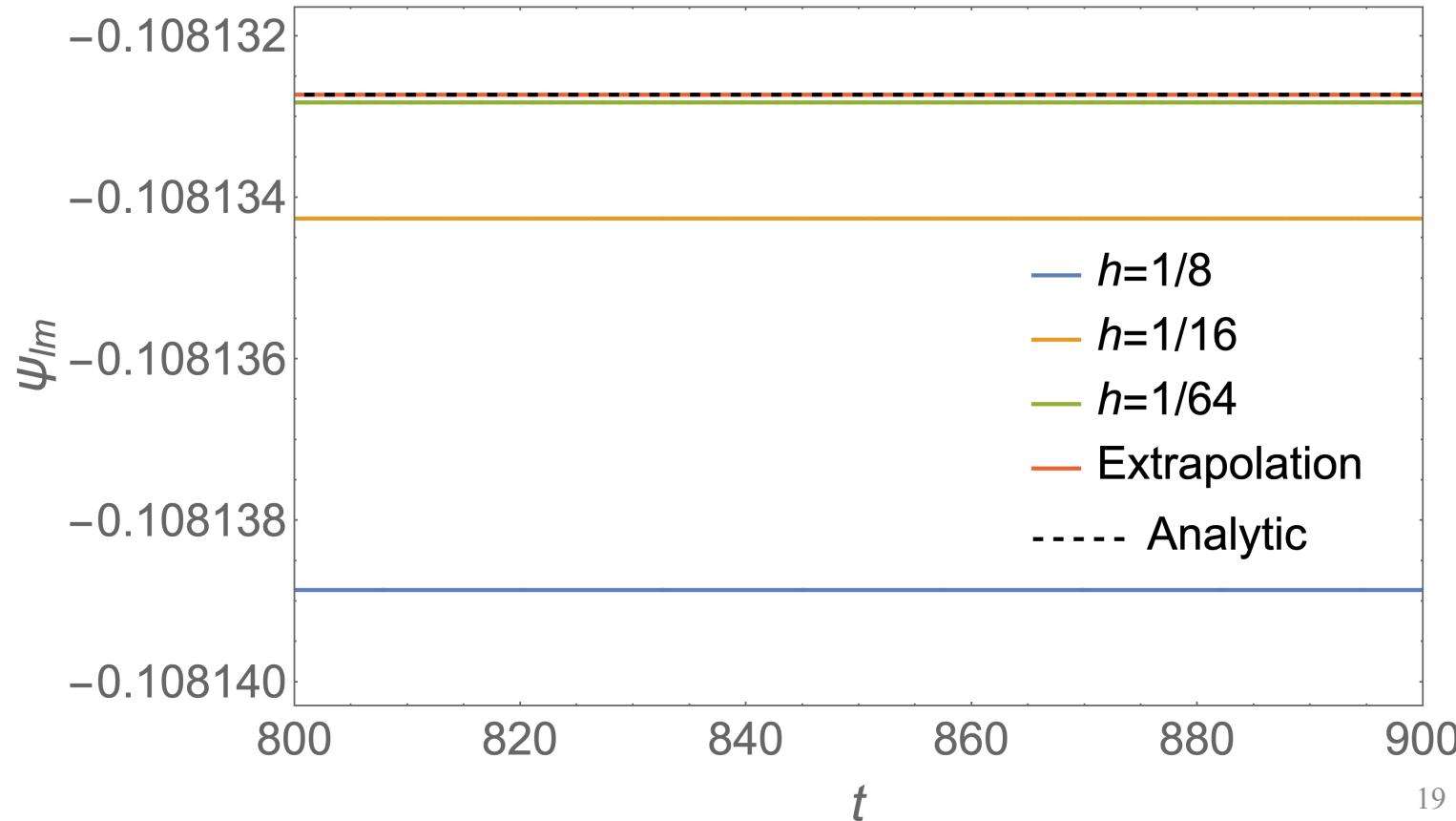
Model:

$$A(h) = A_{\text{exact}} + Ch^n + O(h^{n+1})$$

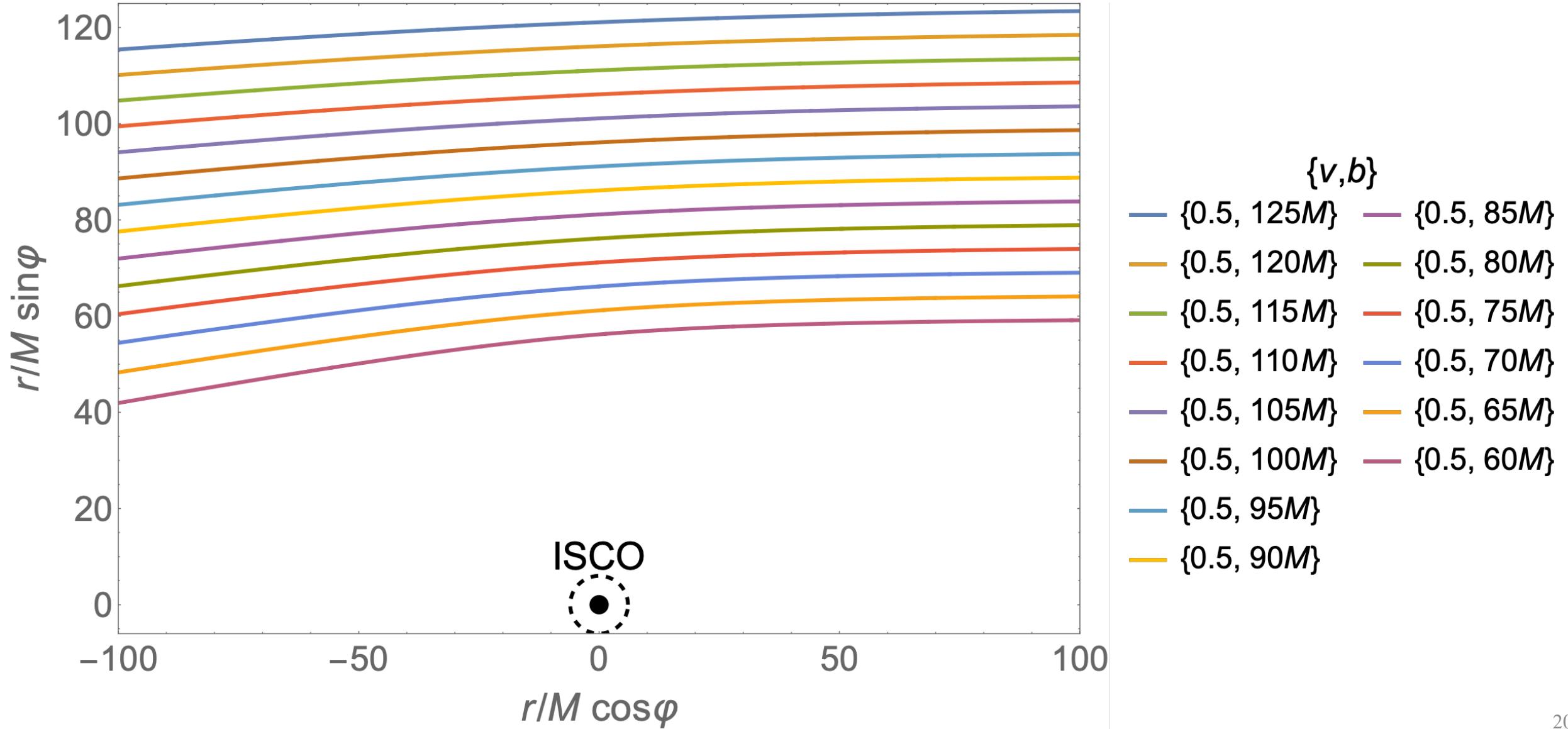
Extrapolation:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\text{Extr}} &= \frac{t^n A\left(\frac{h}{t}\right) - A(h)}{t^n - 1} \\ &= A_{\text{exact}} + O(h^{n+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Error in extrapolation  $< 0.001\%$ .



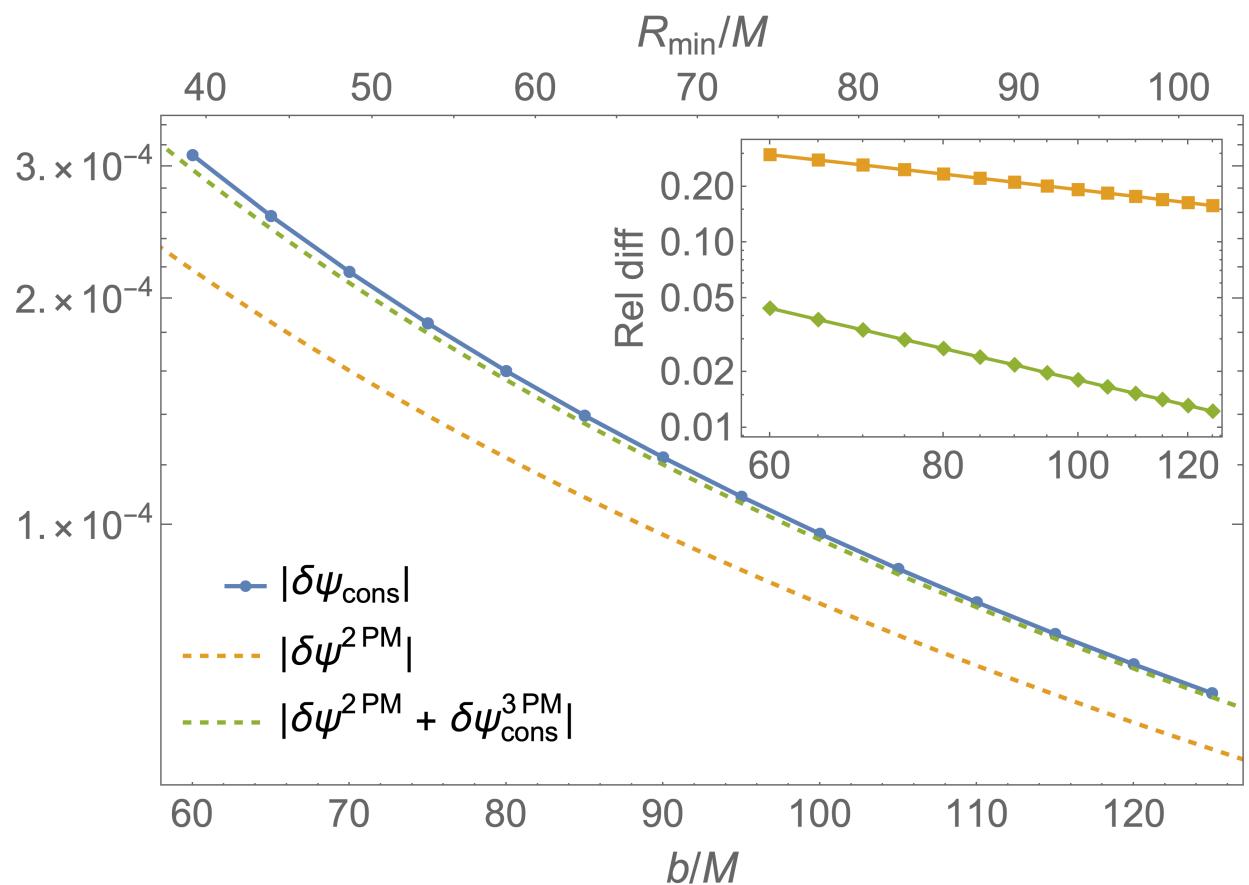
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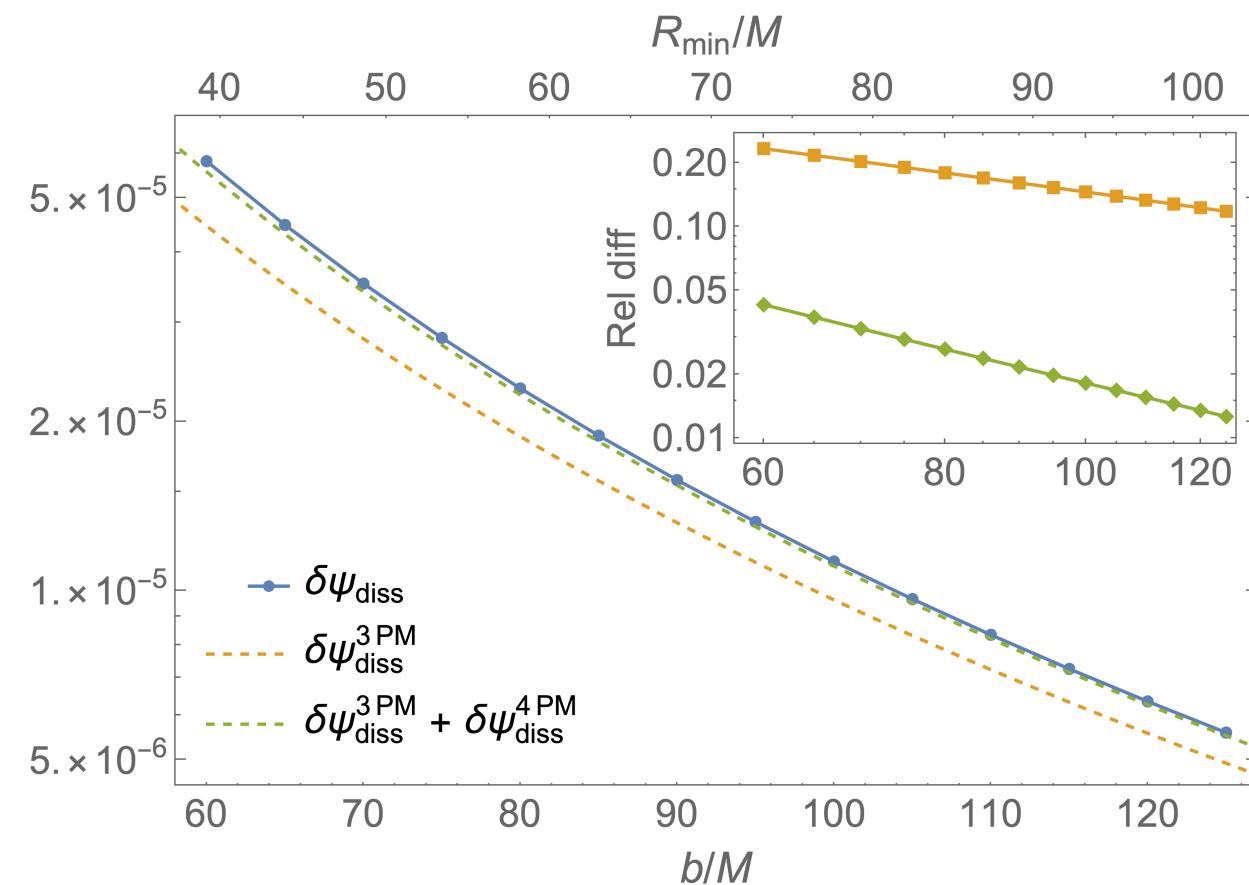
# PM comparison: $v = 0.5$



Conservative



Dissipative



# Scattering angle correction: 4PM conservative



$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta\varphi_{\text{cons}}^{\text{4PM}} = & \left( r_1 + r_2 \operatorname{arccosh} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} \right) + r_3 \operatorname{arccosh} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} \right)^2 + r_4 E \left( -\frac{v^2 + 2\sqrt{1-v^2} - 2}{v^2} \right)^2 \right. \\
 & \left. + r_5 K \left( -\frac{v^2 + 2\sqrt{1-v^2} - 2}{v^2} \right) E \left( -\frac{v^2 + 2\sqrt{1-v^2} - 2}{v^2} \right) + r_6 K \left( -\frac{v^2 + 2\sqrt{1-v^2} - 2}{v^2} \right)^2 \right. \\
 & \left. + r_7 \log \left( \frac{v}{2\sqrt{1-v^2}} \right) + r_8 \log \left( \frac{v}{2\sqrt{1-v^2}} \right) \operatorname{arccosh} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} \right) \right. \\
 & \left. + r_9 \log \left( \frac{v}{2\sqrt{1-v^2}} \right) \log \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} + 1 \right) \right) + r_{10} \log \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} + 1 \right) \right) \right. \\
 & \left. + r_{11} \log^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} + 1 \right) \right) + r_{12} \alpha + r_{13} \frac{\beta}{v^2} + r_4 \log(b) \right) \left( \frac{M}{b} \right)^4
 \end{aligned}$$

↗ Elliptic integrals  
↗ Free coefficients  
↗ Log term

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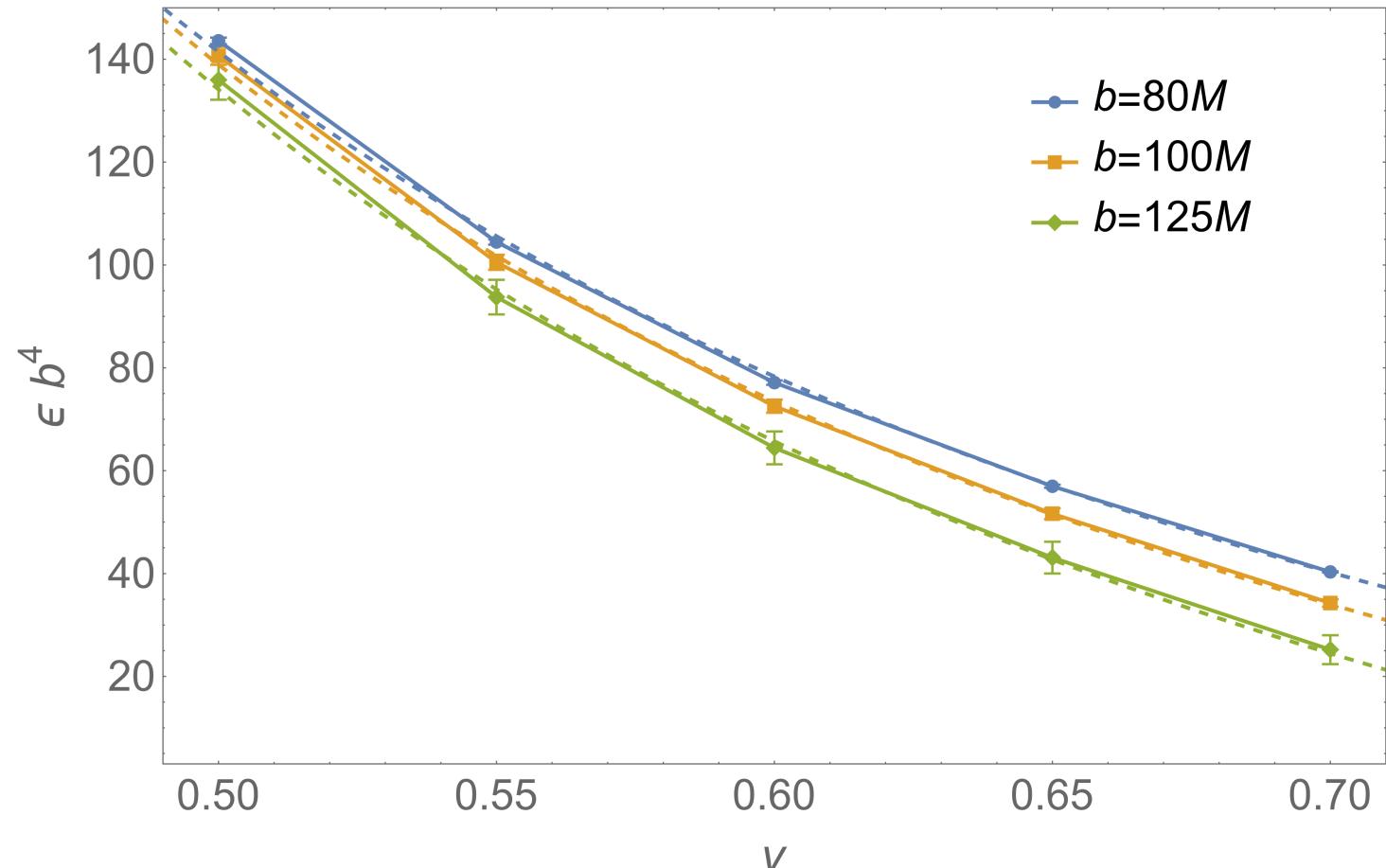
$\phi_1$   $\phi_2$

# Extraction of high-order conservative PM results

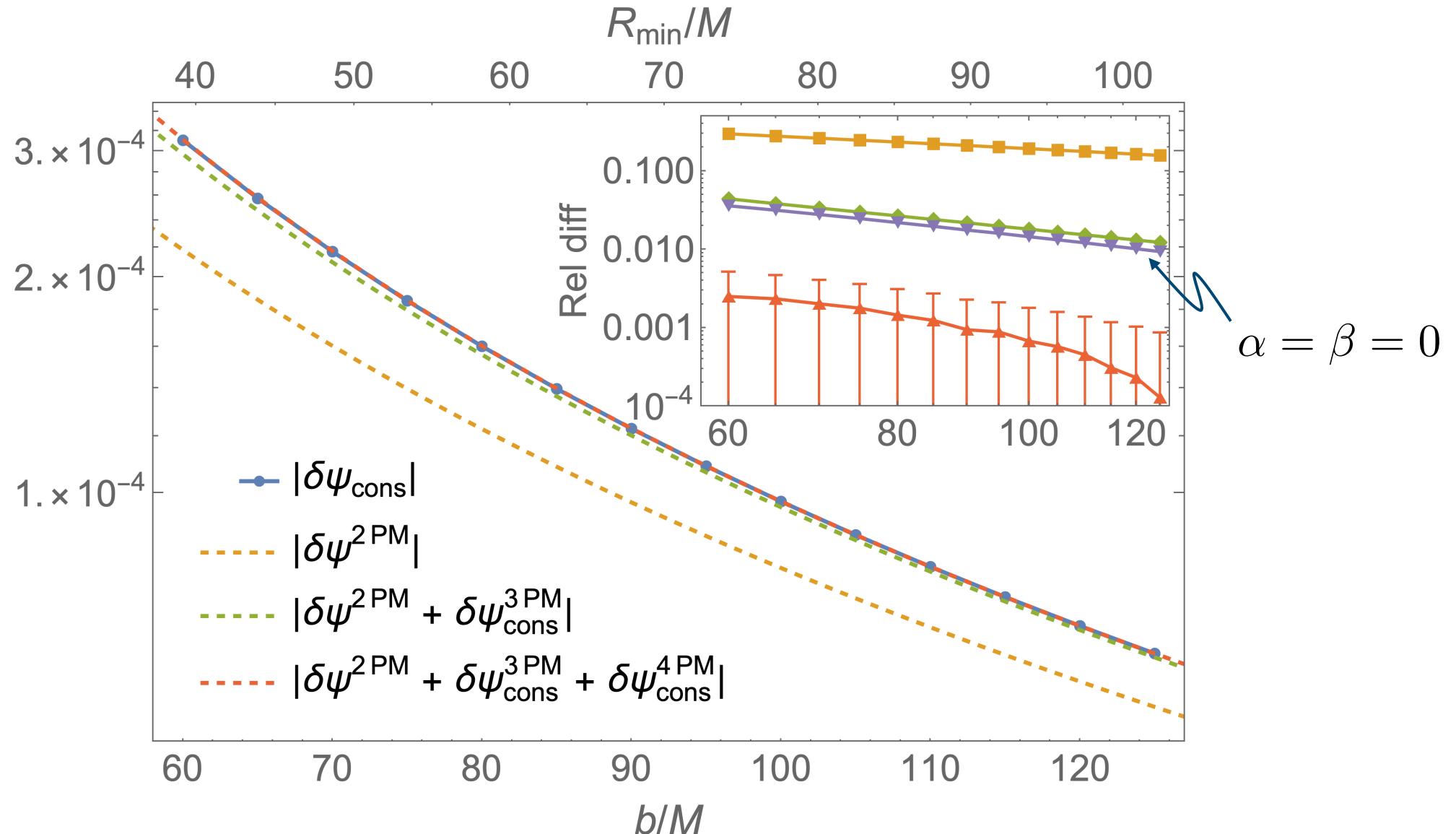
Subtract known [analytic](#) parts:

$$\epsilon := \delta\phi_{\text{cons}} - \delta\phi_{\text{cons}}^{\text{2PM}} - \delta\phi_{\text{cons}}^{\text{3PM}} - \frac{A(v) + B \log(b)}{b^4} = \frac{\pi}{32} \left( \alpha + \frac{\beta}{v^2} \right) \frac{1}{b^4} + O\left(\frac{1}{b^5}\right)$$

$b/M$	$\alpha$	$\beta$
80	$-202.6 \pm 1.7$	$20.07 \pm 0.09$
100	$-96.8 \pm 2.7$	$8.52 \pm 0.13$
125	$-114 \pm 8$	$8.91 \pm 0.35$



# PM comparison: Conservative $v = 0.5$



# Extraction of high-order dissipative PM results

PM expansion with free parameters:

$$\delta\varphi_{\text{diss}}^{\text{PM}} = \frac{a_3}{b^3} + \frac{a_4}{b^4} + \frac{a_5}{b^5} + \frac{a_6}{b^6} + \dots$$

Up to 4PM can fit value or use  
**analytic value.**

$a_3$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$
$11.2 \pm 0.1$			
$9.439 \pm 0.01$	$184 \pm 1$		
$9.632 \pm 0.002$	$143.8 \pm 0.4$		
$9.593 \pm 0.002$	$152.7 \pm 0.3$		
<b>9.6225</b>	$166.7 \pm 1.3$		
<b>9.6225</b>	$146.82 \pm 0.09$	$1707 \pm 7$	
<b>9.6225</b>	$148.0 \pm 0.02$	$1476 \pm 34$	$-62100 \pm 8700$
<b>9.6225</b>	<b>143.344</b>	$1987 \pm 17$	
<b>9.6225</b>	<b>143.344</b>	$2372 \pm 29$	$-25500 \pm 2100$

< 1%       $\sim 1\%$        $\sim 1600(?)$       ???

# Summary and future work

Compared numerical **scalar self-force** results with analytic PM results.

Good **agreement** for both conservative and dissipative:

- $\sim 10\%$  for LO.
- $\sim 1\%$  for NLO.

Have investigated extractions of higher-order components from numerics:

- Fixed **free parameters** in 4PM conservative: agreement with numerics to  $< 0.5\%$ .
- Extraction of 5PM dissipative coefficient.

Future work:

- Calculate the **gravitational self-force** correction to the scattering angle.
- Compare to PM(/NR/EOB) in the gravitational case.

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