

Progress on the Method of Matched Expansions in Schwarzschild

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- Method of Matched Expansions
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- It depends on the whole past of the worldline via the '**retarded Green function**'

$$(\square - \xi R)G_{ret}(x, x') = -4\pi \delta_4(x, x')$$

with causality b.c.

Method of Matched Expansions

Non-local part of self-force:

$$q^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\tau^-} \nabla_\mu G_{ret}(z(\tau), z(\tau')) d\tau'$$

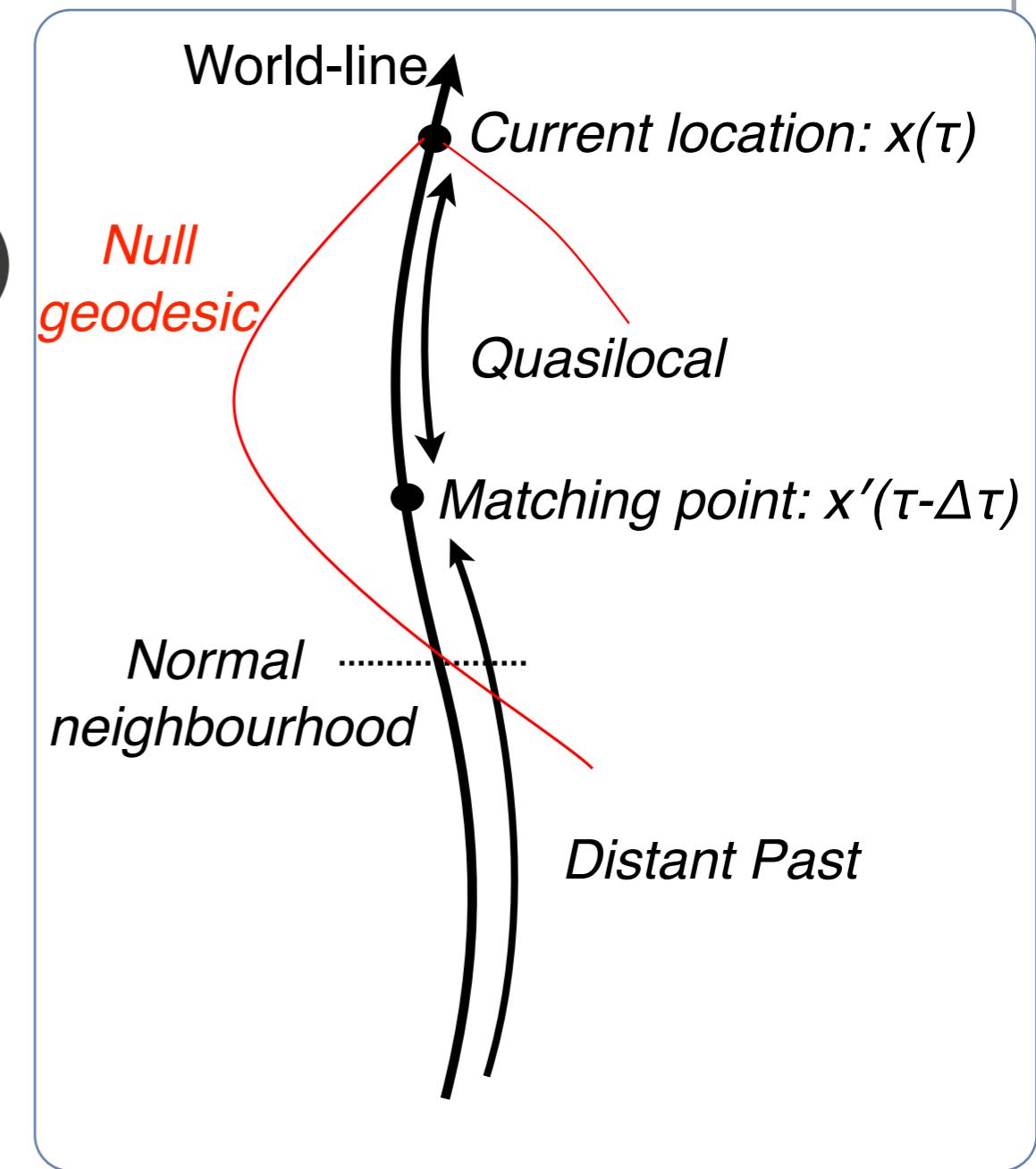
Choose point $\Delta\tau$ along worldline:

* before that point (**'Quasilocal' region**)

$$q^2 \int_{\tau - \Delta\tau}^{\tau^-} \nabla_\mu G_{ret} d\tau'$$

* after that point (**'Distant Past'**)

$$q^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\tau - \Delta\tau} \nabla_\mu G_{ret} d\tau'$$



Quasilocal region - Hadamard form

$$G_{ret}(x, x') = \theta(\Delta t) \{ U(x, x') \delta(\sigma) + V(x, x') \theta(-\sigma) \}$$

- Using Hadamard form there are no calculational problems near $x=x'$ since

$$q^2 \int_{\tau-\Delta\tau}^{\tau^-} \nabla_\mu G_{ret} d\tau' = q^2 \int_{\tau-\Delta\tau}^{\tau} \nabla_\mu V(x, x') d\tau'$$

- Calculate V with, e.g., covariant Taylor series expansion

$$V(x, x') = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} V_k(x, x') \sigma^k$$

Distant past - Mode sum decomposition

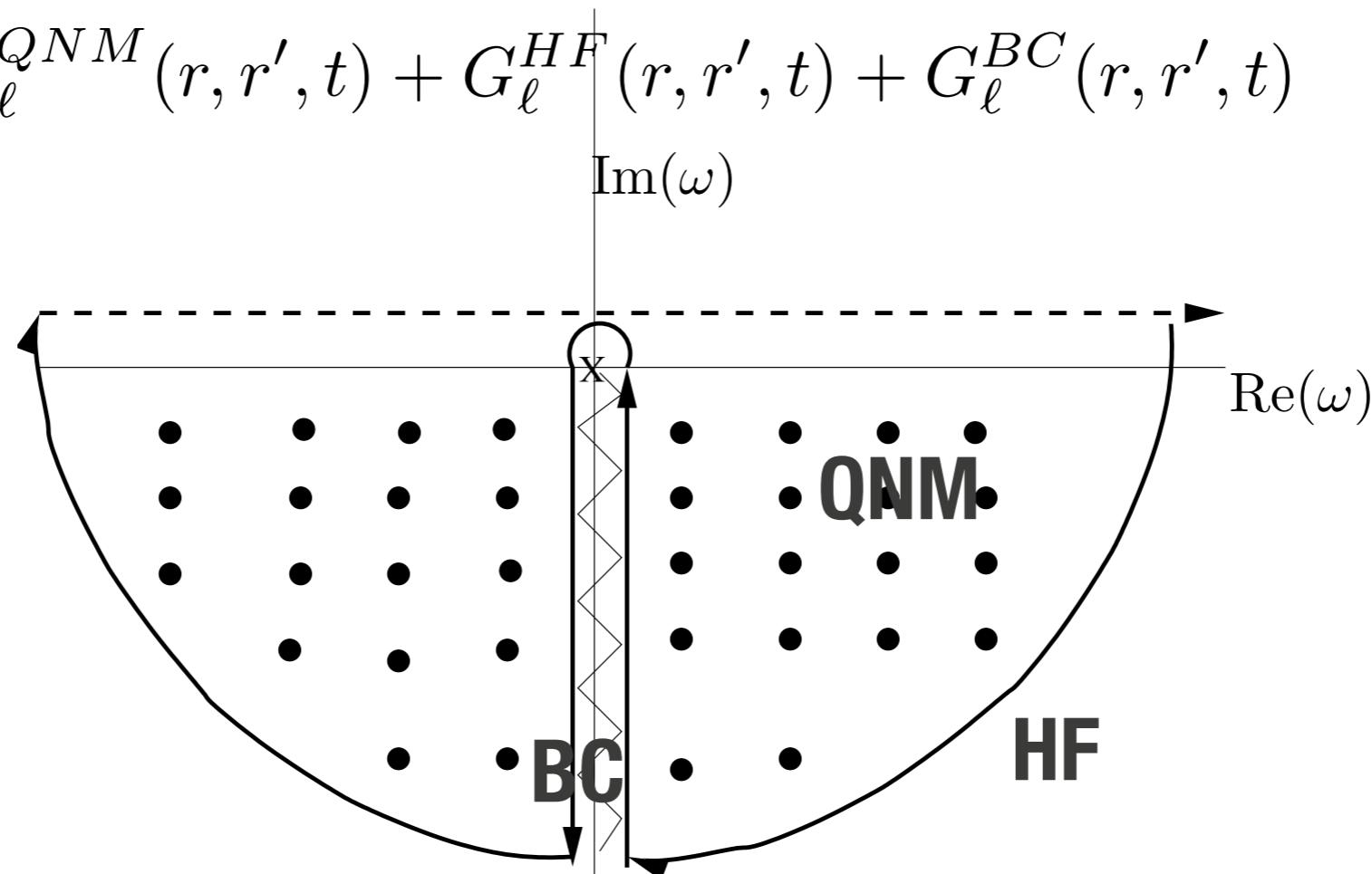
Green function in a spherically-symmetric spacetime:

$$G(r, r'; t) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) P_{\ell}(\cos \gamma) G_{\ell}(r, r'; t)$$

$$G_{\ell}(r, r'; t) \equiv \int_{-\infty+ic}^{\infty+ic} d\omega \ G_{\ell}(r, r'; \omega) e^{-i\omega t}$$

Deformation into the **complex ω plane**. Generally:

$$G_{\ell}(r, r', t) = G_{\ell}^{QNM}(r, r', t) + G_{\ell}^{HF}(r, r', t) + G_{\ell}^{BC}(r, r', t)$$



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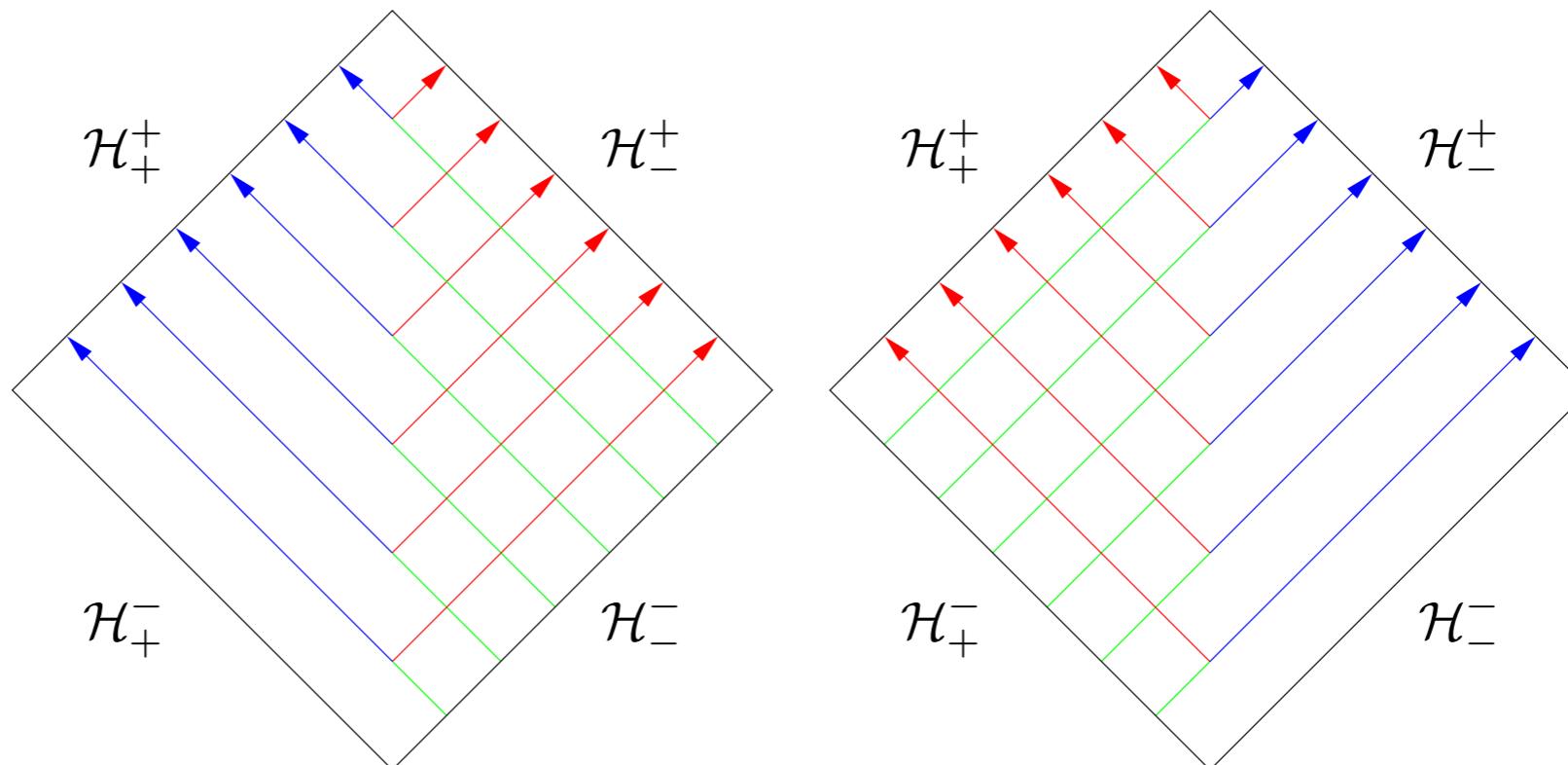
Green function modes: $G_\ell(r, r'; \omega) = \frac{R_\ell^{in}(r_<, \omega) R_\ell^{up}(r_>, \omega)}{W}$

Radial ODE: $\left[\frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} + \omega^2 - V(r) \right] R_\ell(r, \omega) = 0$

$$r_* = r_*(r) \in (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$R_\ell^{in}(r, \omega) \sim \begin{cases} e^{-i\omega r_*}, & r_* \rightarrow -\infty \\ A_\ell^{out} e^{+i\omega r_*} + A_\ell^{in} e^{-i\omega r_*}, & r_* \rightarrow +\infty \end{cases}$$

$$R_\ell^{up}(r, \omega) \sim \begin{cases} B_\ell^{in} e^{+i\omega r_*} + B_\ell^{out} e^{-i\omega r_*}, & r_* \rightarrow -\infty \\ e^{+i\omega r_*}, & r_* \rightarrow +\infty \end{cases}$$



Distant past - Mode sum decomposition

- If $V(r) \rightarrow 0$ exponentially as $r_* \rightarrow \infty$, then $R_\ell^{up}(r, \omega)$ has poles in ω -plane
- If $V(r) \rightarrow 0$ less fast than exponentially (except centrifugal barrier $V(r) = \ell(\ell + 1)/r_*^2$) as $r_* \rightarrow \infty$, then $R_\ell^{up}(r, \omega)$ has BC in ω -plane

Past results - Matched expansions in Nariai

with S.Dolan, A.Ottewill & B.Wardell (PRD 79,124043)

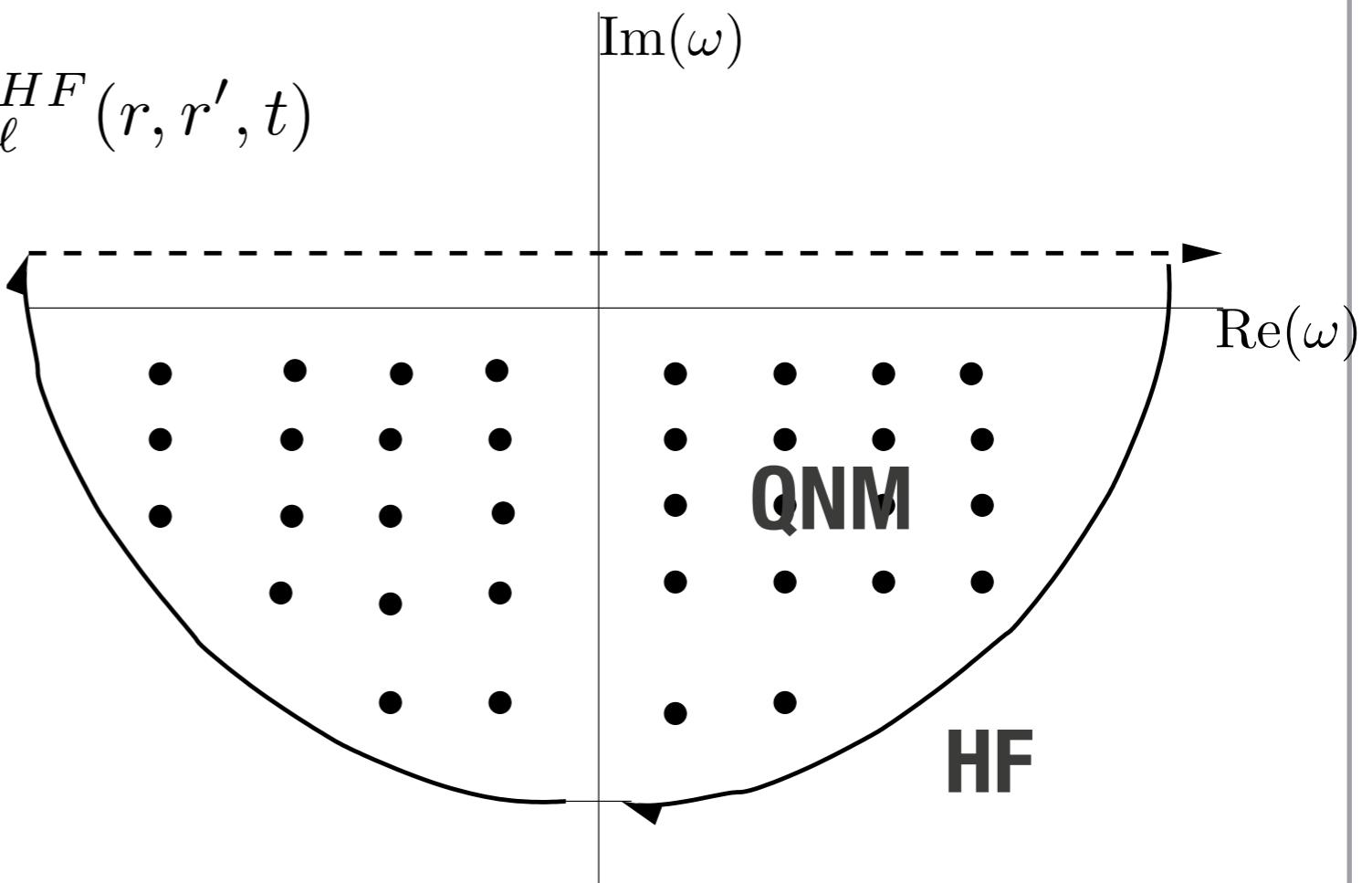
(static region of) Nariai spacetime ($dS_2 \times \mathbb{S}^2$):

$$ds^2 = -(1 - \rho^2)dt^2 + (1 - \rho^2)^{-1}d\rho^2 + d\Omega_2^2$$

It serves as a toy model for Schwarzschild

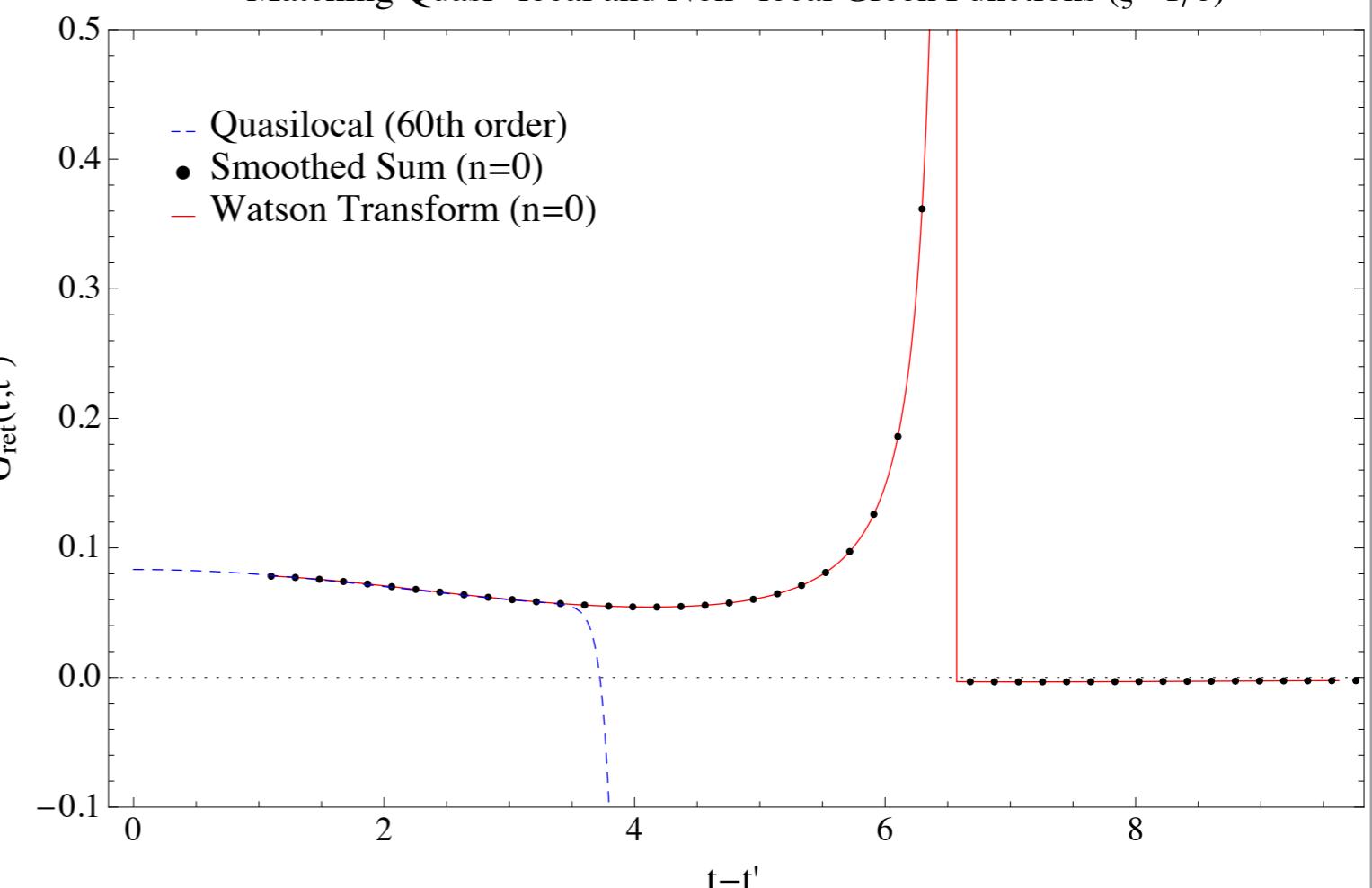
$$V(r) = \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{\cosh^2(r_*)} = O(e^{\mp 2r_*}), \quad r_* \rightarrow \pm\infty \implies R_\ell^{in/up} \text{ have no BC}$$

$$G_\ell(r, r', t) = G_\ell^{QNM}(r, r', t) + G_\ell^{HF}(r, r', t)$$

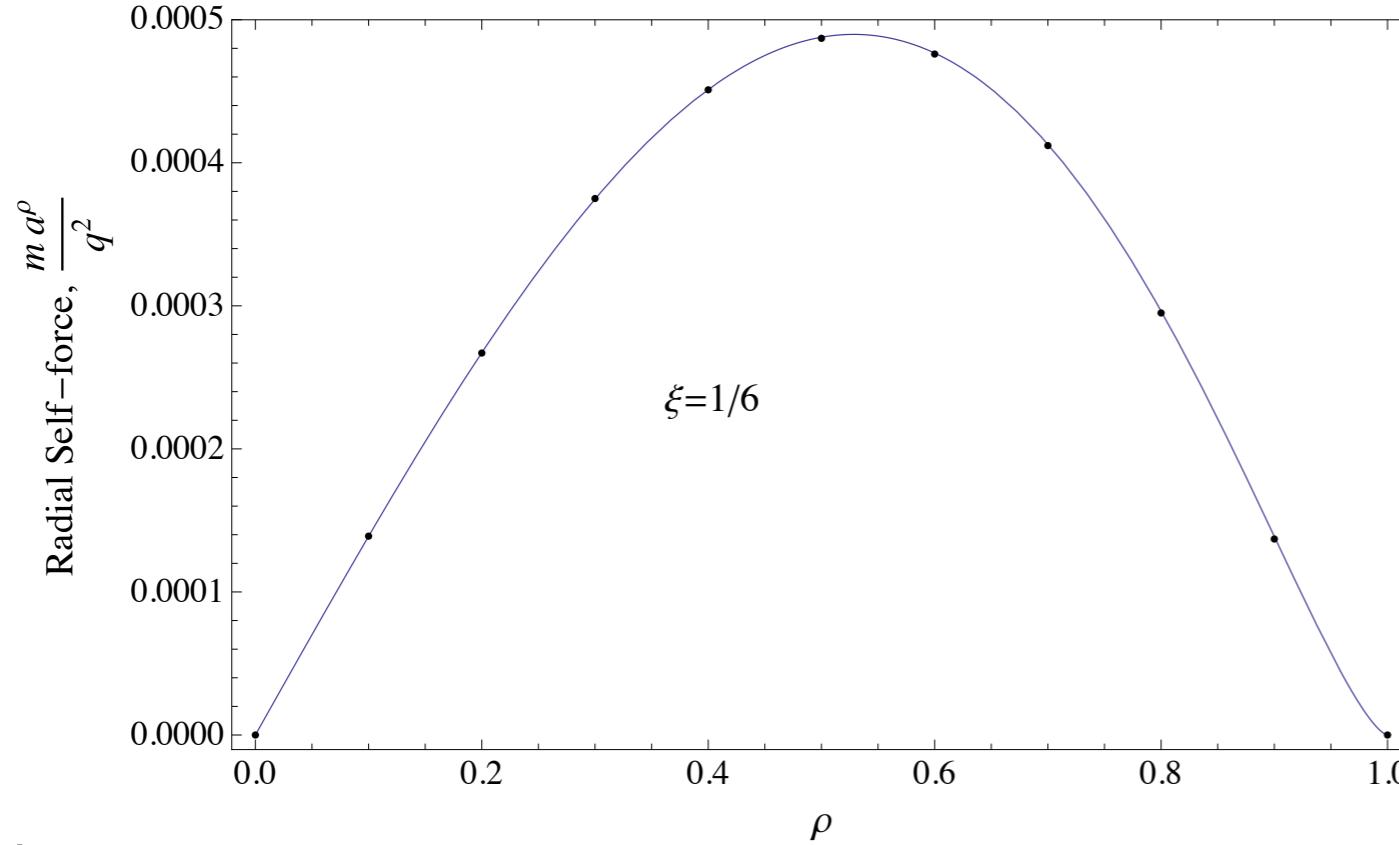


Matching QL and QNM:

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma &= 0 \\ \rho &= \rho' = 0.5\end{aligned}$$



Radial Self-Force on a Static Particle in Nariai Spacetime



Self-force for static scalar charge

Branch Cut in Schwarzschild

Radial ODE ('R-W eq.'):

$s = 0, 1, 2$

$$\left[\frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} + \omega^2 - V(r) \right] R_\ell(r, \omega) = 0 \quad V(r) = \left(1 - \frac{r_h}{r}\right) \left[\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} + \frac{r_h(1-s^2)}{r^3} \right]$$

$$V(r) \rightarrow \frac{[\ell(\ell+1) + 1 - s^2]}{r_h^2} e^{r_* - r_h}, \quad r_* \rightarrow -\infty \implies R_\ell^{in} \text{ has poles in } \omega$$

$$V(r) \rightarrow \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r_*^2} + \frac{2\ell(\ell+1)r_h \ln(r_*/r_h)}{r_*^3}, \quad r_* \rightarrow \infty \implies R_\ell^{up} \text{ has BC on NIA}$$

$$R_\ell^{up}(+i\nu) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad R_\ell^{up}(-i\nu) \in \mathbb{C} \quad \omega \equiv -i\nu \quad \nu \geq 0$$

Symmetry: $R_\ell^{in/up}(r, \omega) = R_\ell^{in/up^*}(r, -\omega^*)$

BC 'strength'

$$\Delta R_\ell^{up}(r, -i\nu) \equiv \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (R_\ell^{up}(r, \epsilon - i\nu) - R_\ell^{up}(r, -\epsilon - i\nu)) = iq(\nu) R_\ell^{up}(r, +i\nu)$$

Wronskian has BC along NIA but |WI| has no BC

BC Green function:

$$G^{BC}(r, r'; t) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) P_{\ell}(\cos \gamma) \Delta G_{\ell}(r, r'; t)$$

$$\Delta G_{\ell}(r, r'; t) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} d\nu \Delta G_{\ell}(r, r'; -i\nu) e^{-\nu t}$$

BC Green function modes:

$$\Delta G_{\ell}(r, r', -i\nu) = -2i\nu \frac{q(\nu) R_{\ell}^{in}(r, -i\nu) R_{\ell}^{in}(r', -i\nu)}{|W|^2}$$

$$q(\nu) \equiv -i \frac{\Delta R_{\ell}^{up}(r, -i\nu)}{R_{\ell}^{up}(r, +i\nu)}$$

Calculation of ΔG_ℓ in 3 regimes:

- **Small- ν :** Sasaki&Tagoshi Liv.Rev. asymptotics
(reformulation of Leaver'86)
- **Mid- ν :** a new series expression for the BC on the NIA
- **Large- ν :** Continuation into the complex-r plane
(Maassen van den Brink'2004 for spin=2)

$$\bar{\omega} \equiv r_h \omega$$

Mid- ν expression

Jaffé series for Rin (Leaver'86):

$$R_\ell^{in}(r, \omega) = (\bar{r} - 1)^{-i\bar{\omega}} \bar{r}^{2i\bar{\omega}} e^{i\omega r} e^{-2i\bar{\omega}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \left(1 - \frac{1}{\bar{r}}\right)^n$$

Asymptotics: $a_n = O\left(n^{-\bar{\nu}-3/4} e^{\pm 2\sqrt{-2\bar{\nu}n}}\right), \quad n \rightarrow \infty$

Jaffé series is absolutely convergent $\forall \omega \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\forall r \in [r_h, \infty)$

Mid- ν expression

a_n satisfy a 3-term recurrence rln.:

$$(n+1)(n-2\bar{\nu}+1)a_{n+1} - [2n^2 + (2-8\bar{\nu})n + 8\bar{\nu}^2 - 4\bar{\nu} + l(l+1) + 1 - s^2]a_n + [n^2 - 4\bar{\nu}n + 4\bar{\nu}^2 - s^2]a_{n-1} = 0$$

No dominant/subdominant slns. to recurrence rln. on the NIA

a_n have simple poles $\forall n \geq k$ when $\bar{\nu} = k/2$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$

Exception is the algebraically-special frequency for $s = 2$:

$$\bar{\nu} = \bar{\nu}_{AS} \equiv \frac{\ell(\ell-1)(\ell+1)(\ell+2)}{6}$$

So better calculate the radial function: $\hat{R}_\ell^{in} \equiv \sin(2\pi\bar{\nu})R_\ell^{in}$

Wronskian in the Green function cancels out this factor

Mid- ν expression

In Leaver'86, as a series of **confluent hypergeometric functions**:

$$R_\ell^{up}(r, \omega) = (-2i\bar{\omega})^{s+1-2i\bar{\omega}} \bar{r}^{1+s} (\bar{r}-1)^{-i\bar{\omega}} e^{+i\omega r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T_n^+$$

$$T_n^+ \equiv (-2i\bar{\omega} + 1)_n U(s + 1 - 2i\bar{\omega} + n, 2s + 1, -2i\omega r)$$

U has branch cut along $\omega r : 0 \rightarrow -\infty i$

$$(ze^{-2\pi i})^a U(a, b, ze^{-2\pi i}) - z^a U(a, b, z) = \frac{2\pi i e^z (-z)^a}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(1+a-b)} U(b-a, b, -ze^{-2\pi i})$$

New series:

$$\Delta R_\ell^{up}(r, \omega) = 2\pi i \bar{r}^{1+s} (\bar{r}-1)^{-\bar{\nu}} e^{+\nu r} \frac{e^{-2\nu r} e^{\pi i(s+1-2\bar{\nu})}}{\Gamma(1-2\bar{\nu})} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T_n^-$$

$$T_n^- \equiv \frac{(-1)^n \Gamma(1+n-2\bar{\nu}) U(s-n+2\bar{\nu}, 2s+1, 2\nu r)}{\Gamma(1+s+n-2\bar{\nu}) \Gamma(1-s+n-2\bar{\nu})}$$

this can be evaluated **on the NIA** (using principal branch for U) !

(only evaluation of BC in the literature uses extrapolation to the NIA)

Mid- ν expression

Both T_n^- and T_n^+ satisfy the same recurrence rlns.:

(no surprise, since R_ℓ^{up} and ΔR_ℓ^{up} satisfy same ODE)

$$(n+1-2\bar{\nu})(n-2\bar{\nu})T_{n-1} - (n+1-2\bar{\nu})(2n+1-4\bar{\nu}-2\nu r)T_n + (n+1-2\bar{\nu}+s)(n+1-2\bar{\nu}-s)T_{n+1} = 0$$

Asymptotics: $T_n^\pm \rightarrow O\left(n^{-1/4}e^{-2i\sqrt{2\nu rn}}\right)$, $n \rightarrow \infty$

so no dominant/subdominant slns. to recurrence rlns. on the NIA
so no need for Miller's algorithm of backward recursion (as would be required off the NIA)

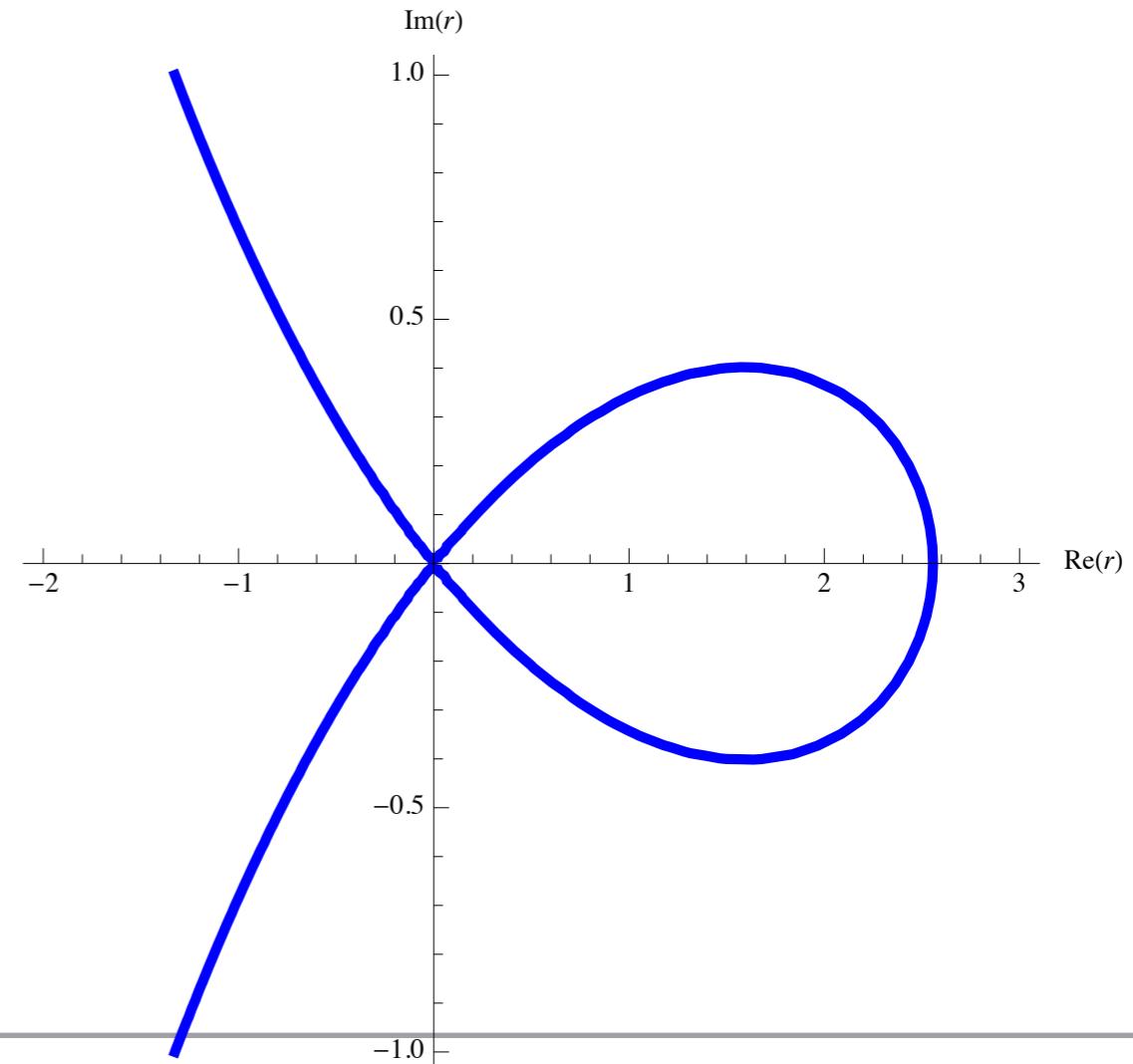
From the 'integral test', $\sum_n a_n T_n^\pm$ is absolutely convergent $\forall \nu > 0$

However, on PIA R_ℓ^{up} corresponds to the subdominant sln. and so the dominant sln. would 'creep in'. Better use an integral representation for U

Large- ν asymptotics

- Problem: if one integrates ODE with b.c. that have the dominant sln. then initial error is magnified exponentially
- Sln.: continuation into the **complex-r plane**. Follow curves where neither sln. is dominant.
- Done by Maassen van den Brink'2004 for spin=2.
We extended it to spin=0,1.

Anti-Stokes lines: $\text{Re}(r_*) = 0$
(no dominant sln. $e^{\pm i\omega r_*}$ on NIA)



Large- ν asymptotics

- Find 2 l.ind. WKB expansions $g_a(r, \omega)$ for $|r\sqrt{\nu}| \gg 1$

Valid away from r=0,rh and anti-Sokes.

- Find 2 l.ind. slns. for fixed $|r\sqrt{\nu}|$ and up to next-to-leading order for large- ν

They're expressed in terms of Bessel functions. Therefore, one knows how to analytically-continue them.

Large- ν asymptotics

- Exact monodromy around the horizon:

$$R_\ell^{in}(r, -i\nu) \sim e^{-i\omega r_*}, \quad r_* \rightarrow -\infty \implies R_\ell^{in}((r - r_h)e^{2\pi i}, \omega) = e^{2\pi\omega} R_\ell^{in}(r - r_h, \omega)$$

Ansatz: $R_\ell^{in}(r, -i\nu) \sim g_a(r, i\nu) + c(\nu)g_a(r, -i\nu)$
 $c(\nu)$:unknown

Match to the 2 l.ind. slns. (with Bessel functions) for fixed $|r\sqrt{\nu}|$

These can be analytically-continued around $r=r_h$ along anti-Stokes lines

$$R_\ell^{in}((r - r_h)e^{2\pi i}, -i\nu) \sim e^{-2\pi i\nu} g_a(r - r_h, i\nu) + \left[(-1)^{s/2+1} 2i \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\nu}} \right) + c(\nu) e^{2\pi i\nu} \right] g_a(r - r_h, -i\nu)$$

Comparing with exact monodromy: $c(\nu) \sim (-1)^{s/2} \frac{(1 - \alpha/\sqrt{\bar{\nu}})}{\sin(2\pi\bar{\nu})}$

Large- ν asymptotics

Similar idea for R_ℓ^{up} :

$$s = 0, 2 : \quad R_\ell^{up}(r, -i\nu) \sim g_a(r, -i\nu) - (-1)^{s/2} 2e^{2\pi i\nu} \left[i + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\nu}} \right] g_a(r, +i\nu)$$

$$s = 1 : \quad R_\ell^{up}(r, -i\nu) \sim \left[1 + O\left(\frac{1}{\nu}\right) \right] g_a(r, -i\nu) + O\left(\frac{1}{\nu}\right) 2e^{2\pi i\nu} g_a(r, +i\nu)$$

$$s = 0 : \quad \alpha = -\frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^4}{48\pi^{3/2}} [1 + 3\ell(\ell+1)]$$

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$$g_a(r, \omega) \equiv e^{i\omega r_*} \left\{ 1 + \frac{i [2\ell(\ell+1)\bar{r} + 1 - s^2]}{4\bar{r}^2\bar{\omega}} + \frac{8(\bar{r}-1) [\ell(\ell+1)\bar{r} + 1 - s^2] - [2\ell(\ell+1)\bar{r} + 1 - s^2]^2}{32\bar{r}^4\bar{\omega}^2} + \dots \right\}$$

Large- ν asymptotics

BC ‘strength’

$$q(\nu) \equiv -i \frac{\Delta R_\ell^{up}(r, -i\nu)}{R_\ell^{up}(r, +i\nu)} \quad s = 1 : \quad q_s(\nu) \sim O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{\nu}}}\right)$$

$$s = 0, 2 : \quad q_s(\nu) \sim (-1)^{s/2+1} 4 \left[\cos(2\pi\bar{\nu}) + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\bar{\nu}}} \sin(2\pi\bar{\nu}) \right]$$

Wronskian:

$$W[R_\ell^{up}, R_\ell^{in}; -i\nu] \sim \frac{W[g_a(-i\nu), g_a(i\nu)]}{\sin(2\pi\bar{\nu})} \left[\sin(2\pi\bar{\nu}) + 2ie^{2\pi i\bar{\nu}} \left(1 - \frac{(1+i)\alpha}{\sqrt{\bar{\nu}}} \right) \right], \quad \bar{\nu} \gg 1$$

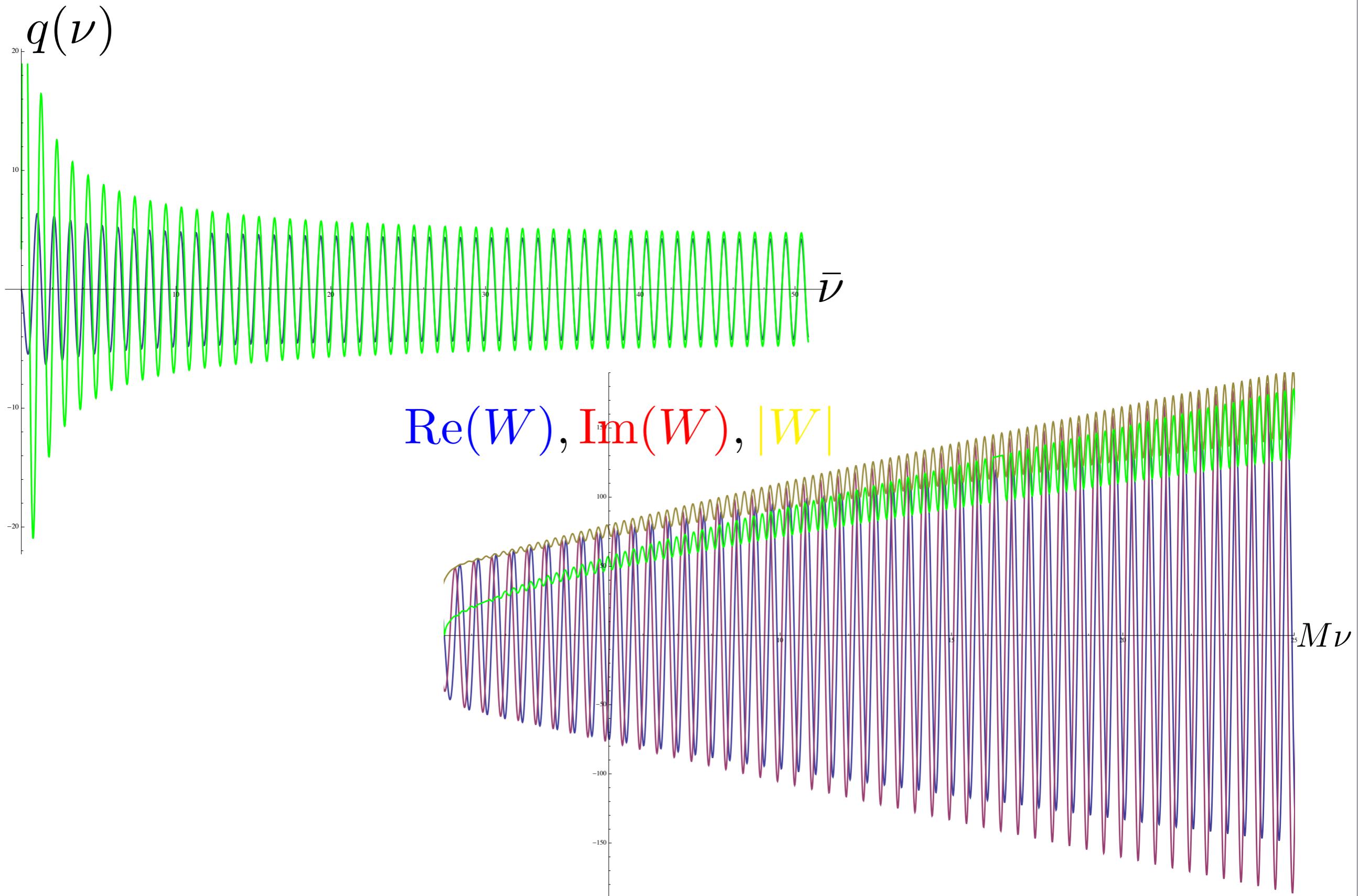
$$s = 0, 2$$

QNMs approach NIA asymptotically for $s=1$ -> unknown connection to BC?

BC Green function to leading order:

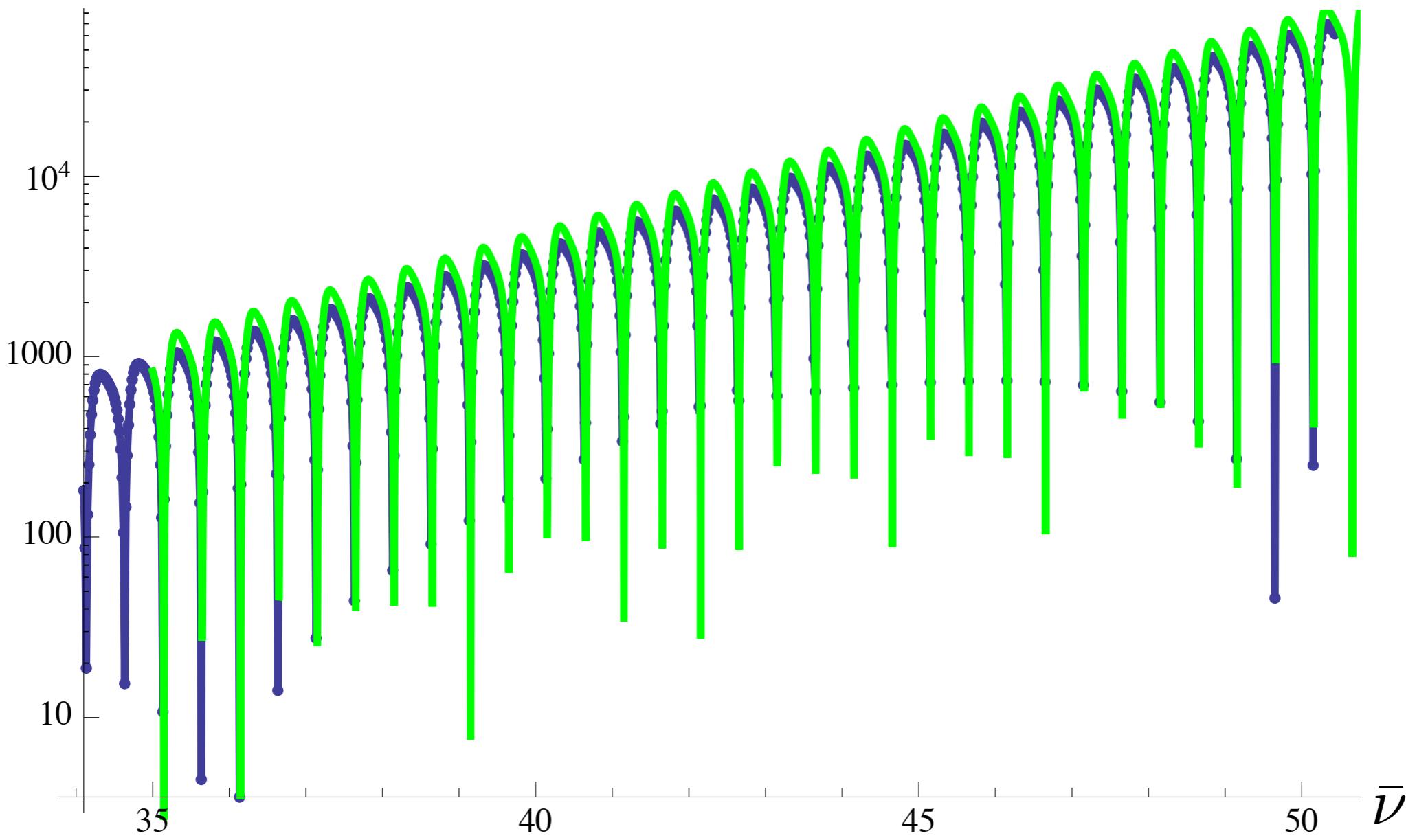
$$\Delta G_\ell(r, r'; t) = O\left(\frac{e^{-\nu(t - |r_*| - |r'_*|)}}{\bar{\nu}}\right), \quad \bar{\nu} \rightarrow \infty$$

Matching of the mid- and large- regimes in ν ($s = 0, \ell = 1$)



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$$\Delta G_\ell(r_* = 0.4M, r_* = 0.2; -i\nu)$$



Small- ν series

Sasaki&Tagoshi , Liv.Rev., series of hypergeometric functions:

$$R_\ell^{in}(r, \omega) = R_0^\mu + R_0^{-\mu-1}$$

$$R_0^\mu = e^{i\bar{\omega}(1-\bar{r})}(\bar{r}-1)^{-s-i\bar{\omega}}\bar{r}^{i\bar{\omega}+\mu}.$$

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n^\mu \frac{\Gamma(1-s-2i\bar{\omega})\Gamma(2n+2\mu+1)}{\Gamma(n+\mu+1-i\bar{\omega})\Gamma(n+\mu+1-s-i\bar{\omega})} \bar{r}^n {}_2F_1\left(-n-\mu-i\bar{\omega}, -n-\mu-s-i\bar{\omega}; -2n-2\mu; \frac{1}{\bar{r}}\right)$$

this series converges $\forall r \neq \infty$

a_n^μ satisfies a 3-term recurrence rln.

Parameter μ chosen so that a_n^μ is minimal sln.

As a series of confluent hypergeometric functions:

$$R_\ell^{up}(r, \omega) = 2^\mu e^{-\pi\bar{\omega}} e^{-i\pi(\mu+1+s)} e^{i\omega r} (\omega r)^{\mu+i\bar{\omega}} (\omega r - \bar{\omega})^{-s-i\bar{\omega}}$$

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} i^n \frac{(\mu+1+s-i\bar{\omega})_n}{(\mu+1-s+i\bar{\omega})_n} a_n^\mu (2\omega r)^n U(n+\mu+1+s-i\bar{\omega}, 2n+2\mu+2, -2i\omega r)$$

this series converges $\forall r > r_h$

Small- ν series

To leading order as $\bar{\nu} \rightarrow 0$:

$$\mu \sim \ell$$

$$q(\nu) \sim (-1)^\ell 2\pi\nu$$

$$W \sim \frac{(-1)^\ell 2^{-\ell} \Gamma(2\ell+1) \Gamma(2\ell+2)}{r_h \Gamma^3(\ell+1)} \bar{\nu}^{-\ell}$$

(W has a BC but only to higher order)

$$R_\ell^{in} \sim \bar{r}_2 F_1(-\ell, \ell+1, 1, 1-\bar{r})$$

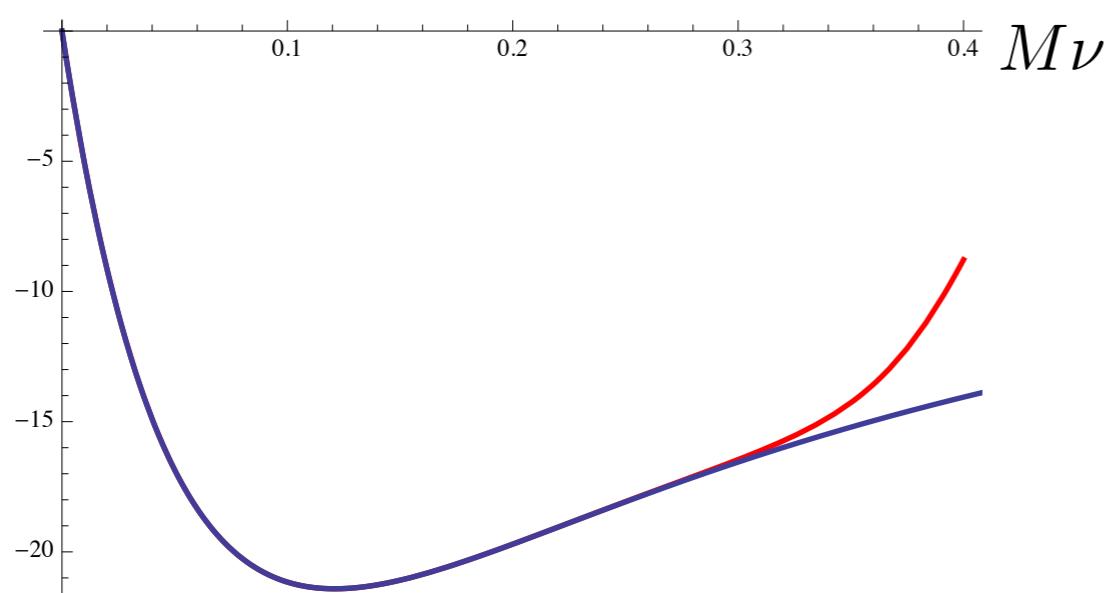
$$\Delta G_\ell(r, r'; -i\nu) \sim \frac{(-1)^{\ell+1} 2^{2(\ell+1)} \pi \Gamma^6(\ell+1) \bar{r} \bar{r}' {}_2F_1(-\ell, \ell+1, 1, 1-\bar{r}) {}_2F_1(-\ell, \ell+1, 1, 1-\bar{r}')}{\Gamma^2(2\ell+1) \Gamma^2(2\ell+1)} \bar{\nu}^{2\ell+2}$$

which yields the **power-law tail**:

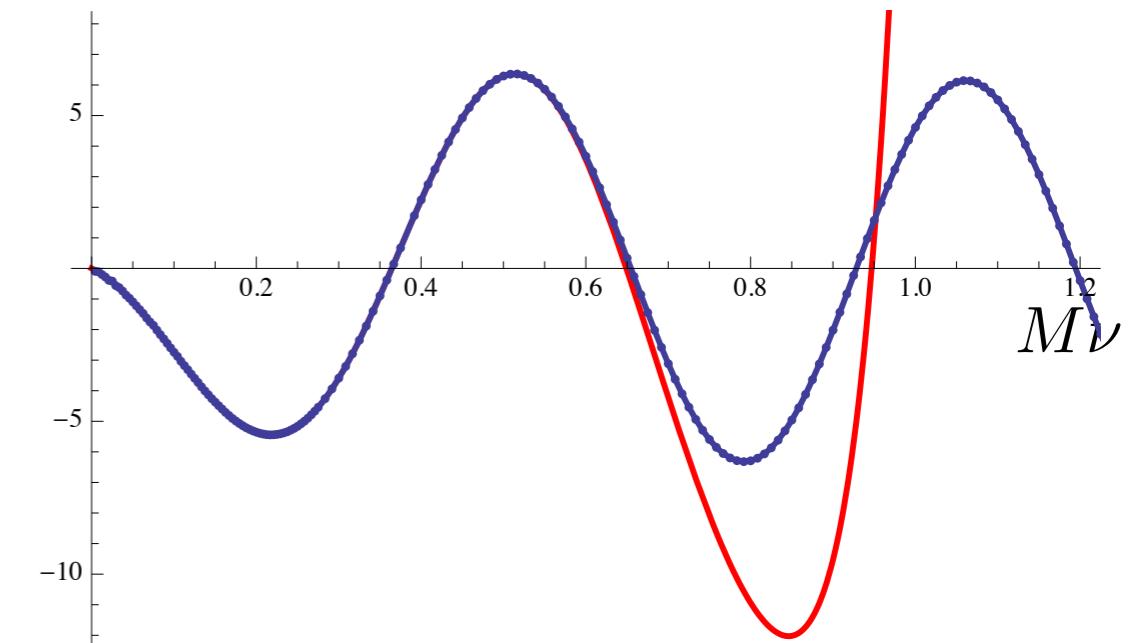
$$\Delta G_\ell(r, r'; t) = O(\bar{t}^{-2\ell-3}), \quad \bar{t} \rightarrow \infty$$

Matching of the mid- ν and small- ν expressions ($s = 0, \ell = 1$)

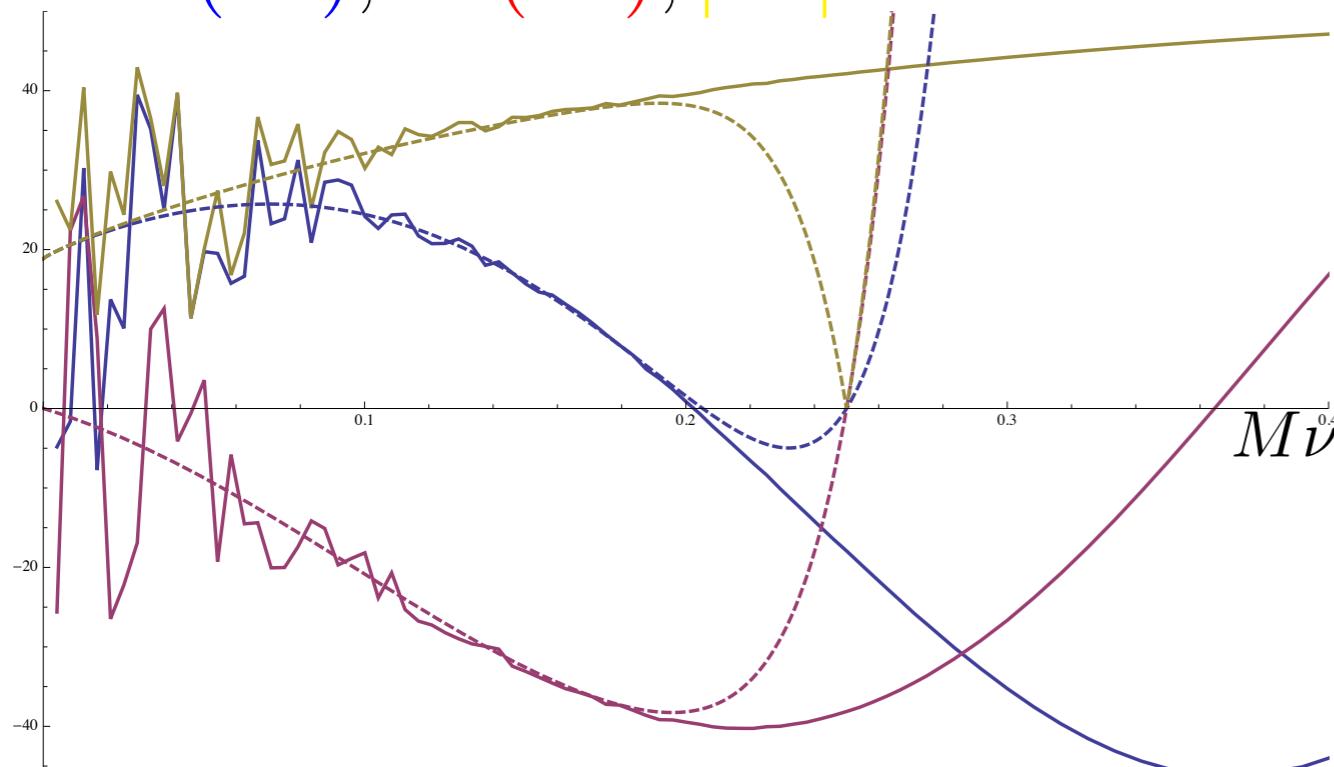
$$e^{-i\omega r_*} \hat{R}_\ell^{in}(r = 10M)$$



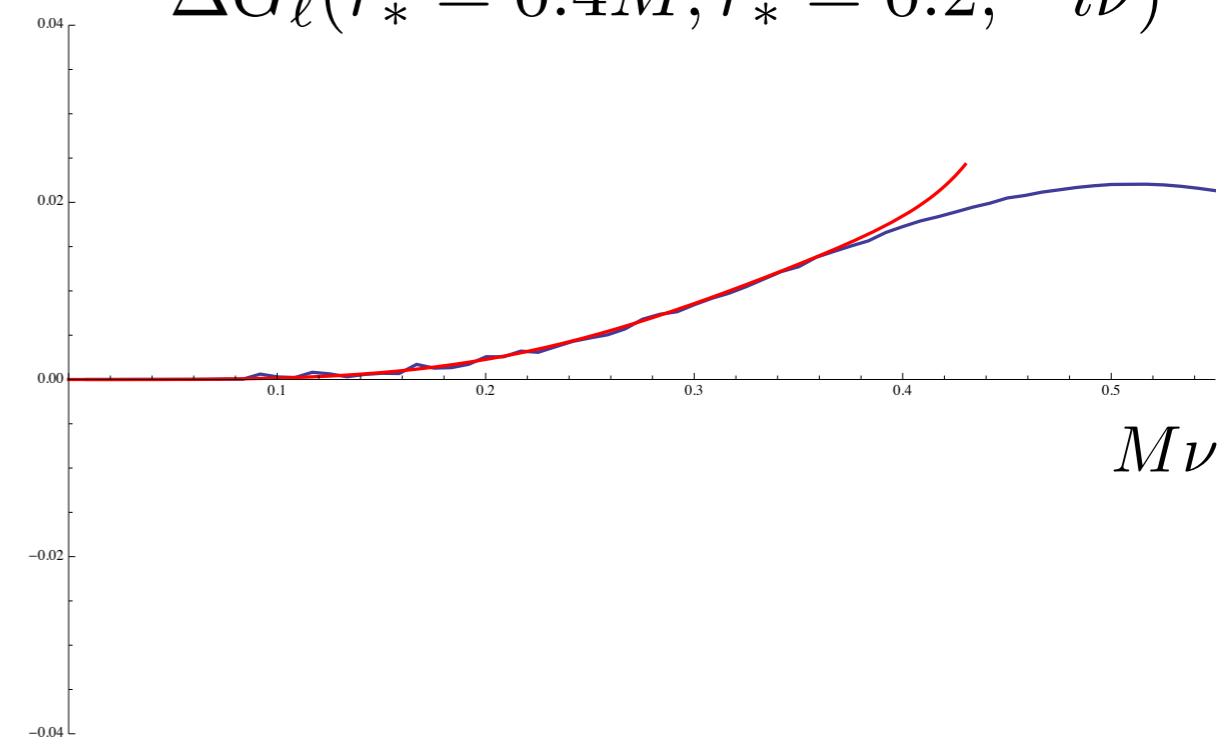
$$q(\nu)$$



$$\text{Re}(W), \text{Im}(W), |W|$$

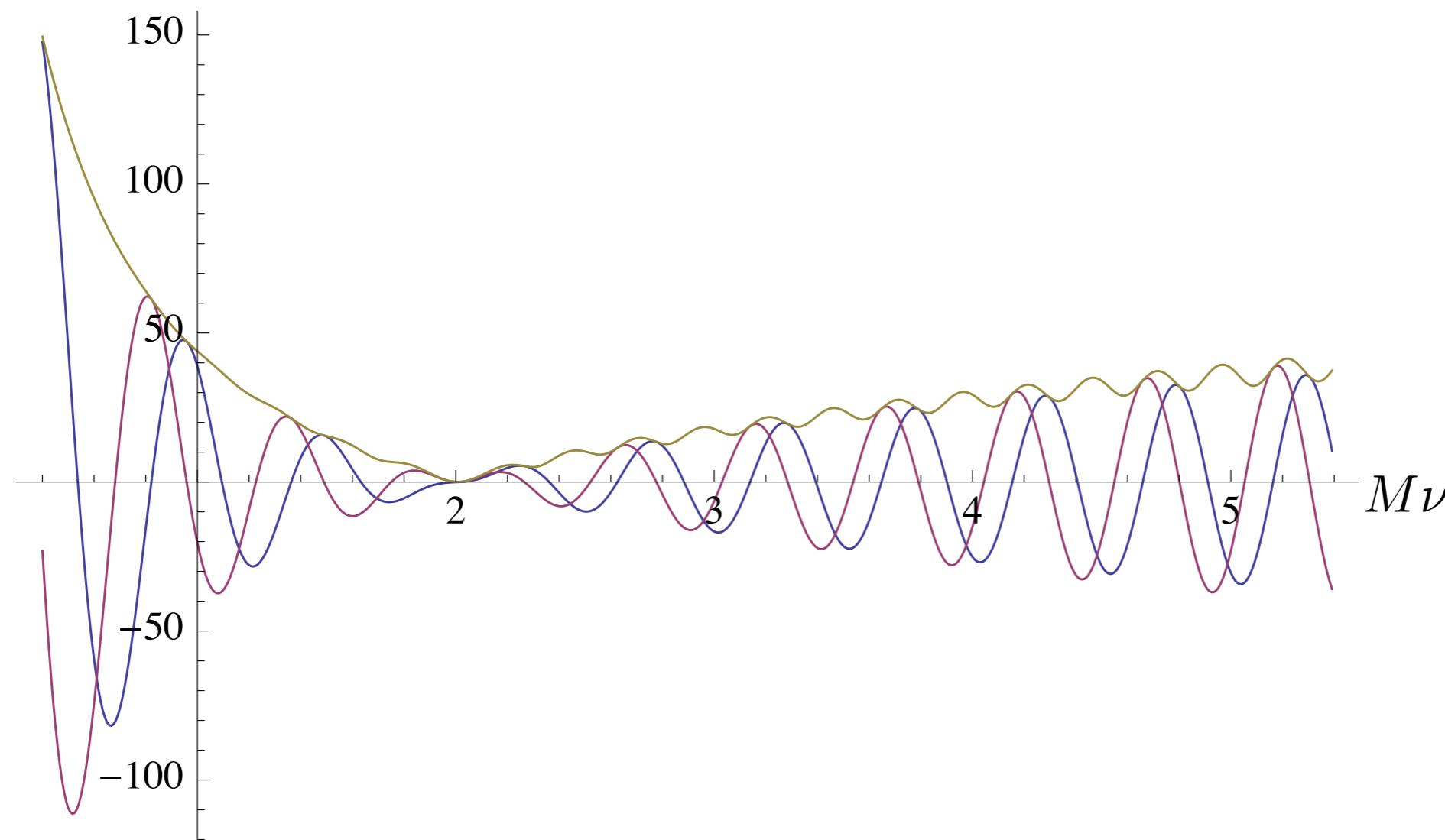


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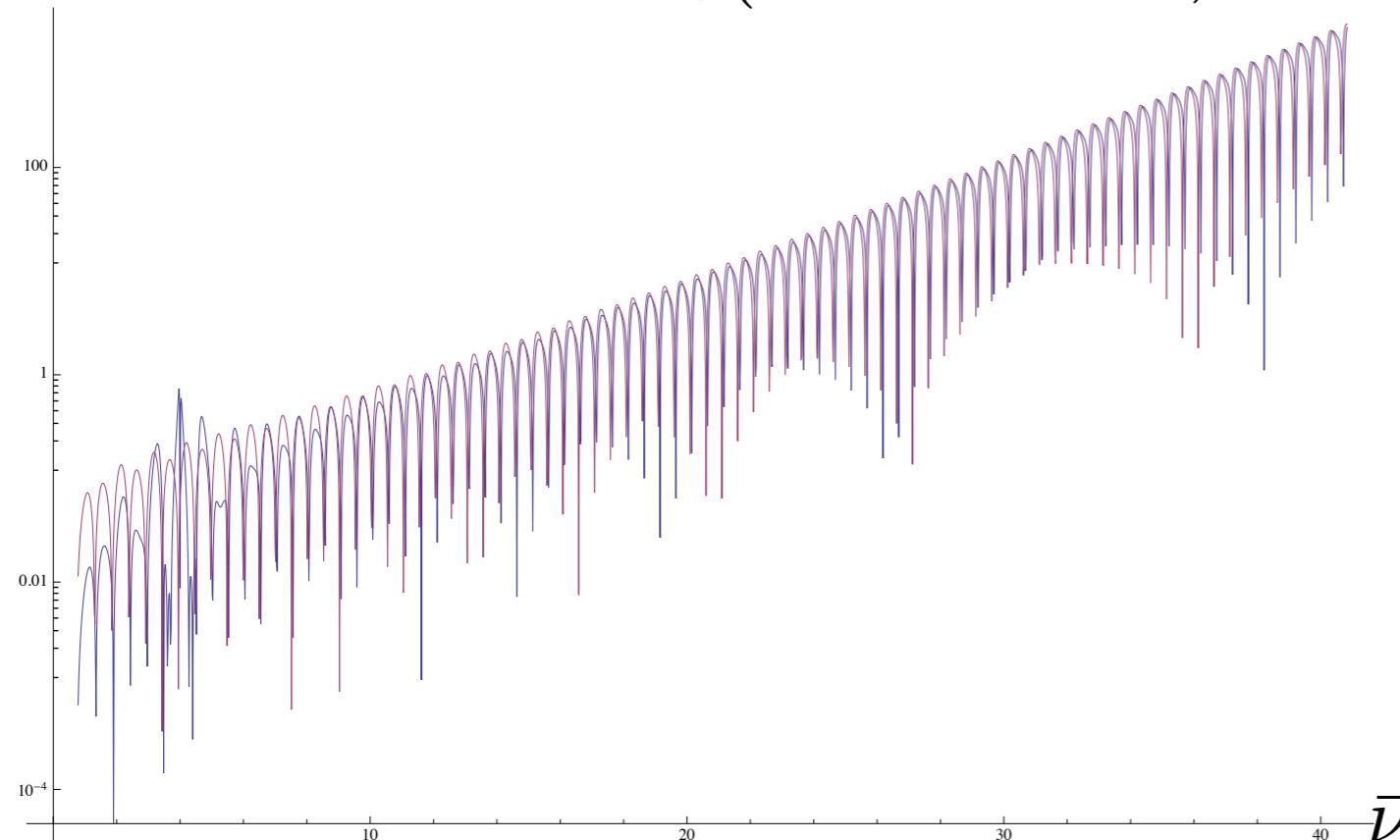


Mid- ν regime

$\text{Re}(W)$, $\text{Im}(W)$, $|W|$

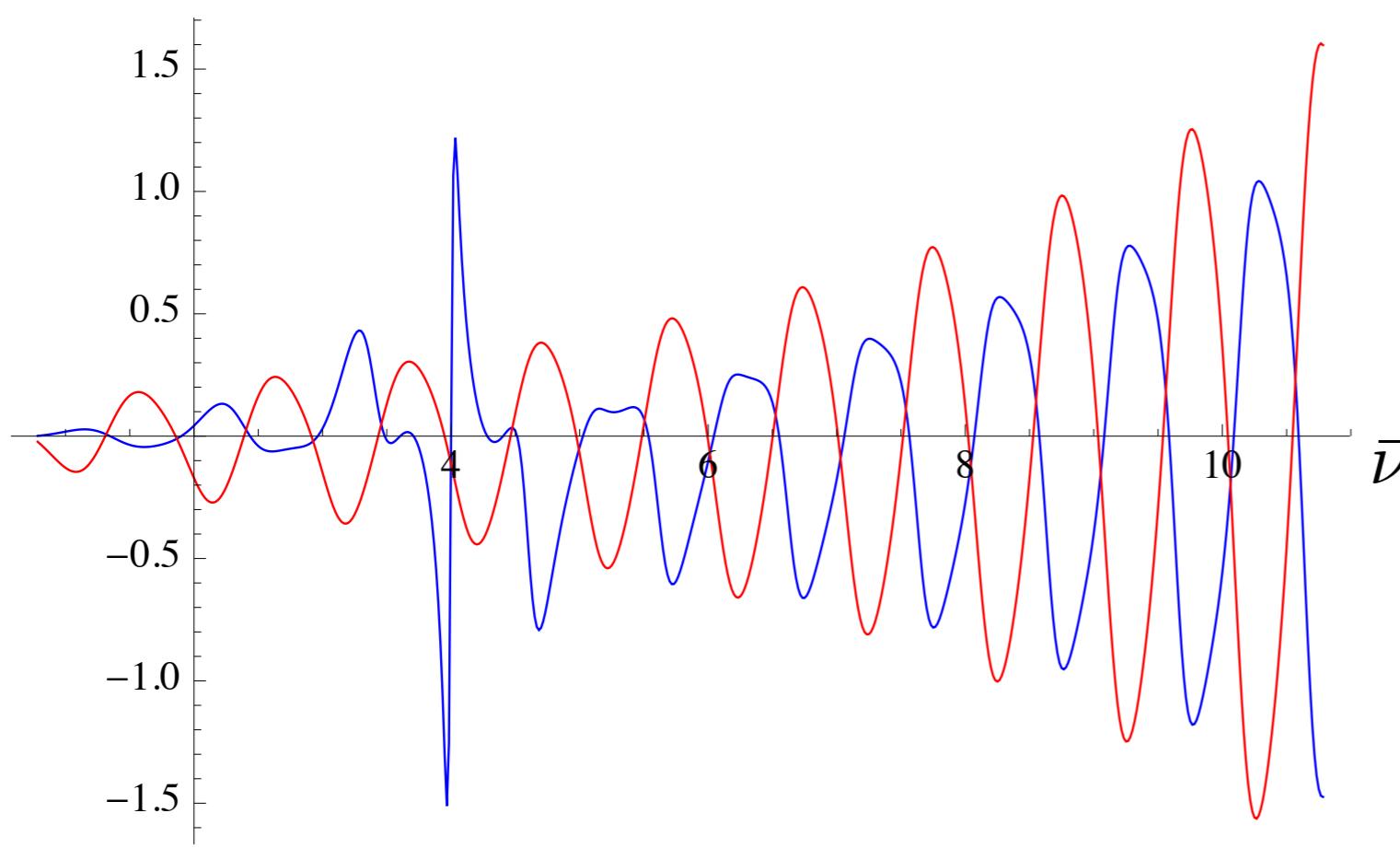


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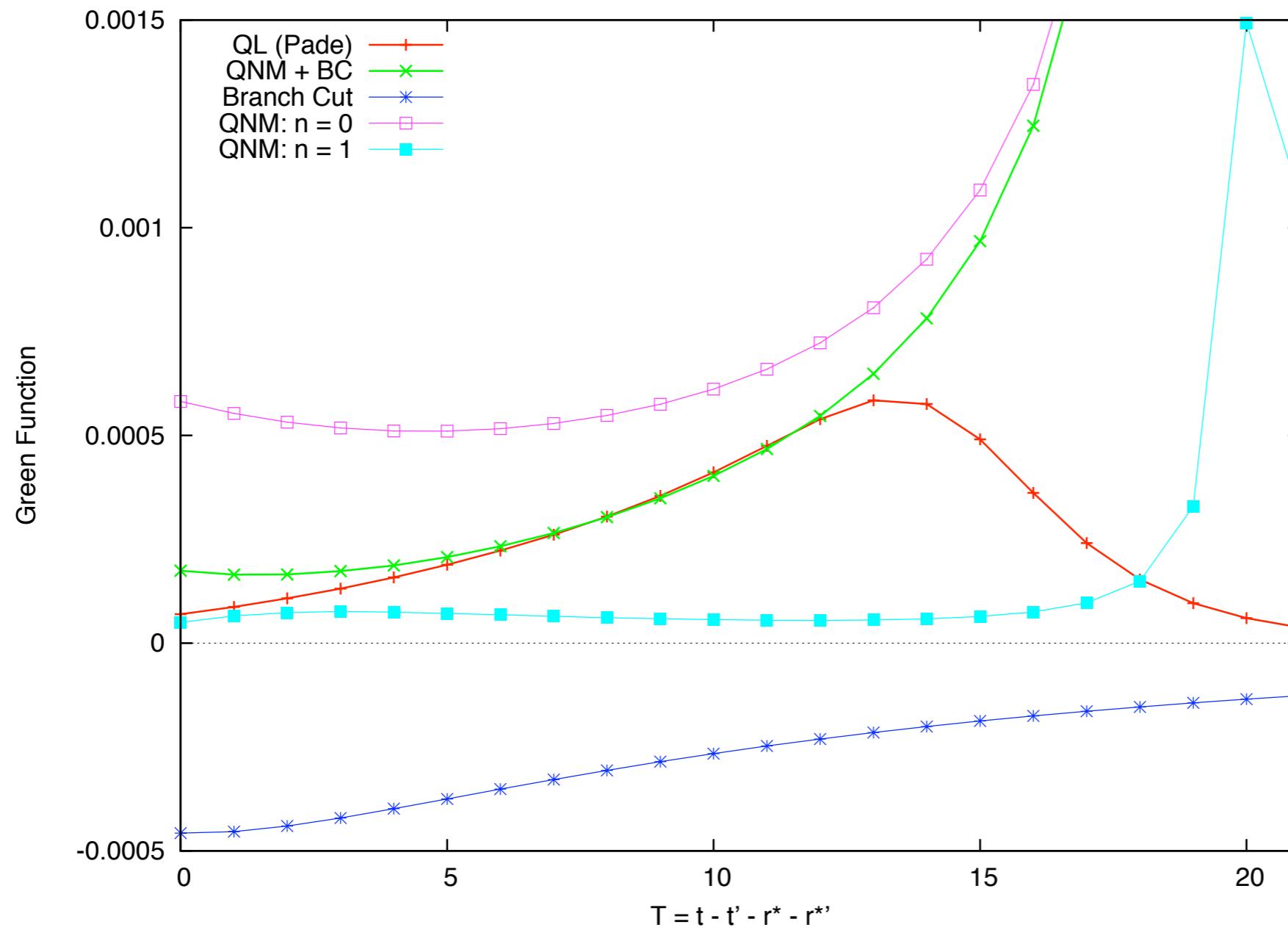
$s = 2, \ell = 2$



Matching QNM+BC to QL?

Static scalar charge

$$r = r' = 10M$$



Conclusions

- First method for the BC Green function modes on the NIA
- We can now calculate the full BC Green function exactly
- Next: try to match QNM+BC ('distant past') to QuasiLocal part