

A view to second-order self-force for eccentric orbits

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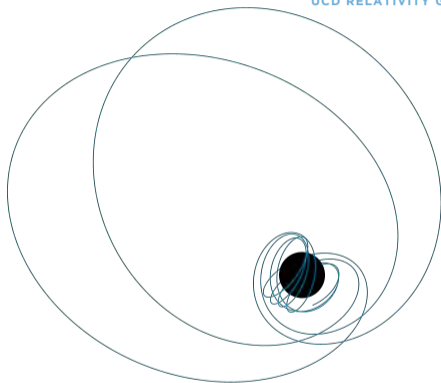
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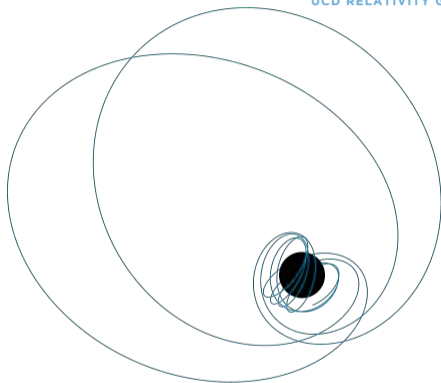
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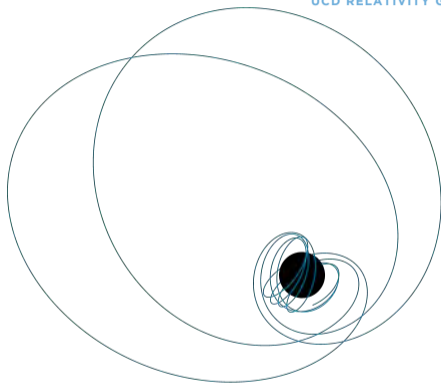
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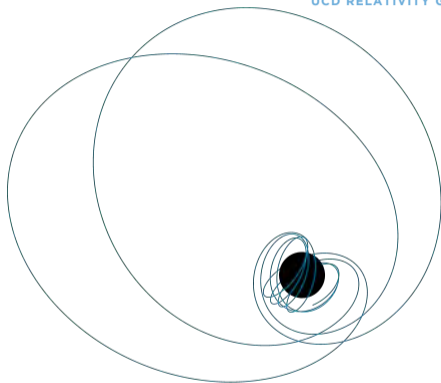
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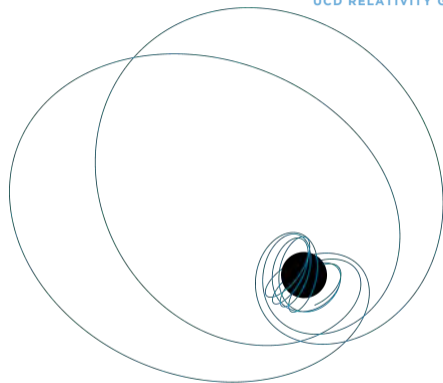
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Linearized Einstein operator

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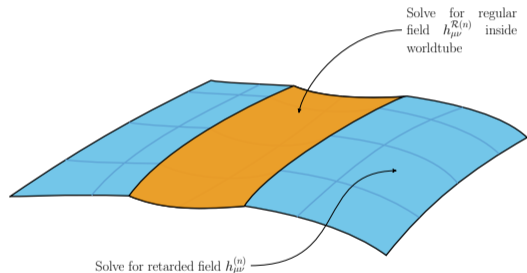
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Worldtube and effective source



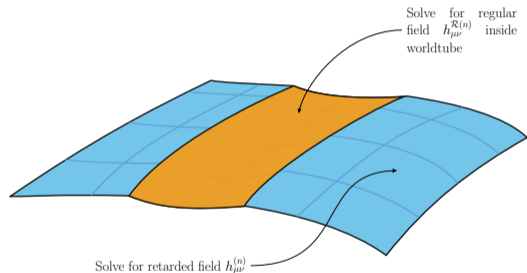
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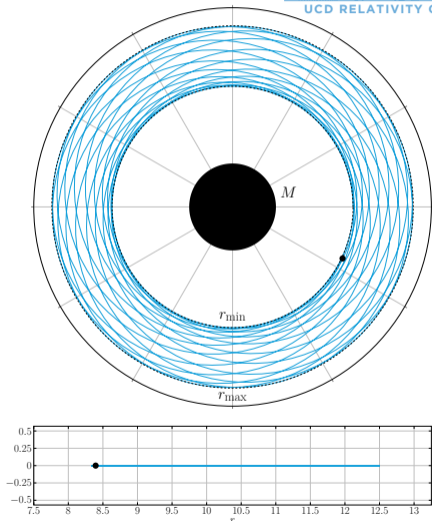
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The challenge of eccentric orbits



- Discontinuity in the punctures is now time-dependant
- Need to take Fourier Transform for the new radial harmonic, n .
- At first-order, one can use Extended Homogeneous Solutions (EHS)
- Consider a compact source, spread across libration region



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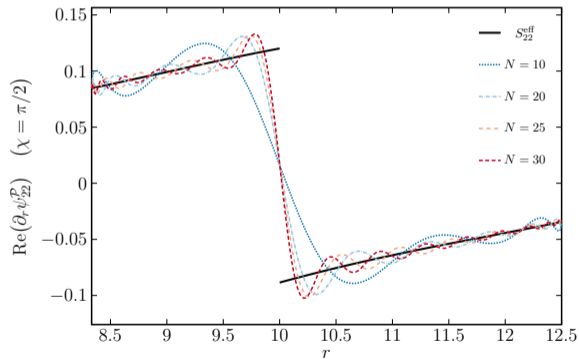
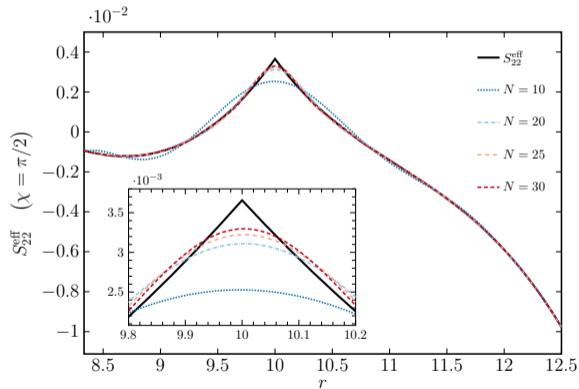


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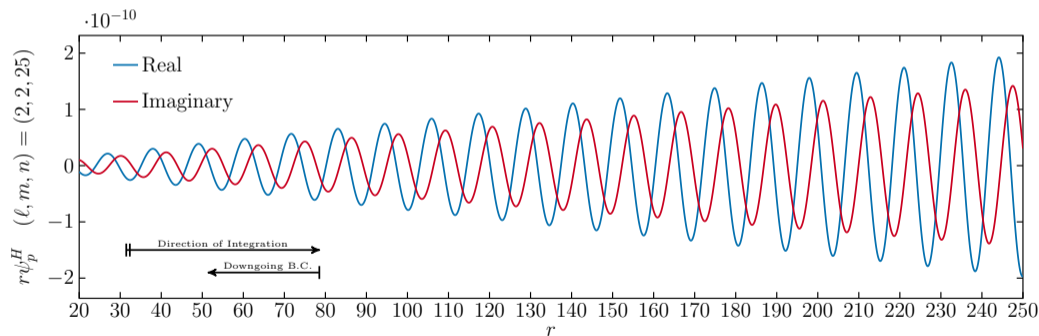
- Similar to EHS by Barack, Ori, and Sago (2008)



Excited Homogeneous Solutions



- Extended Particular Solutions originally formulated by Hopper and Evans (2013)



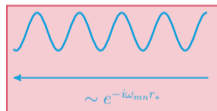
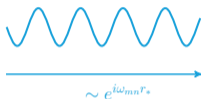
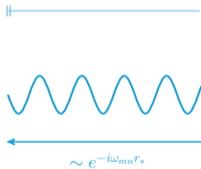
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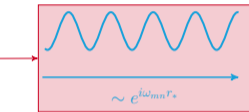


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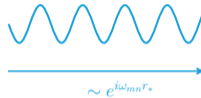
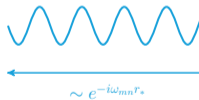
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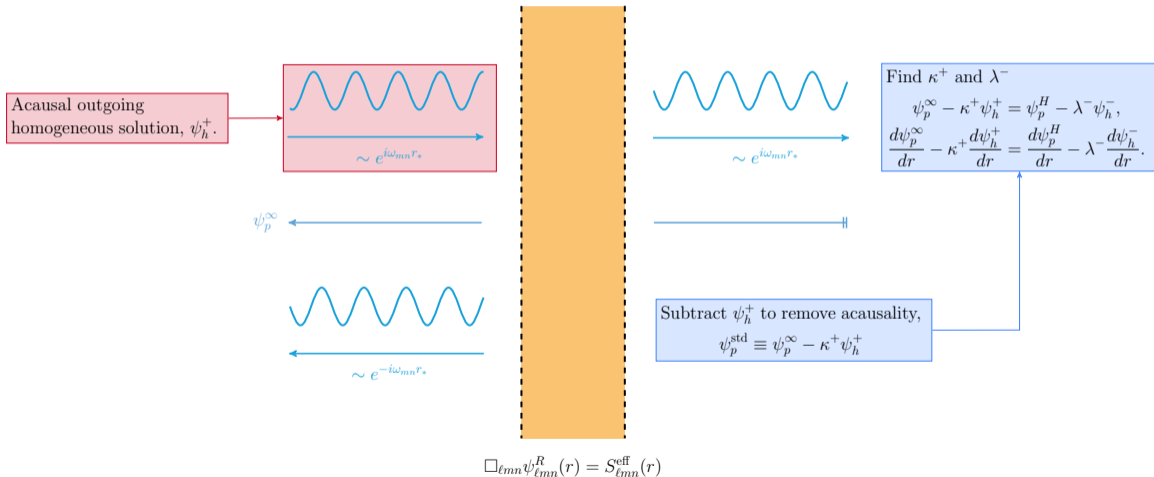
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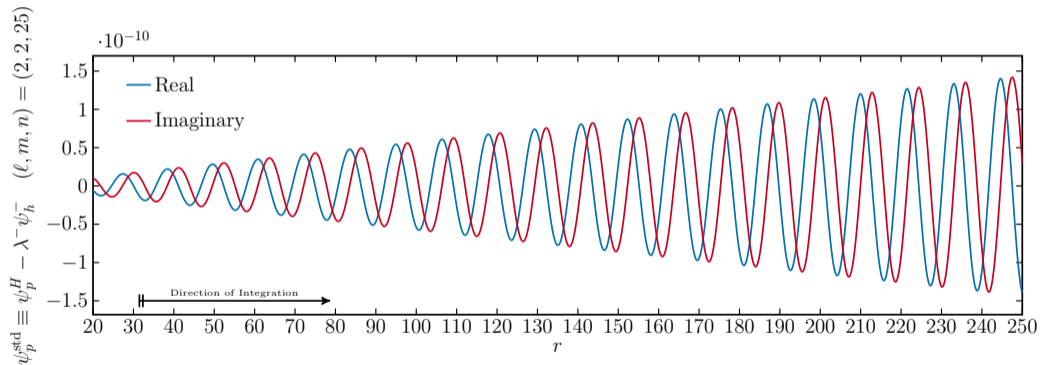
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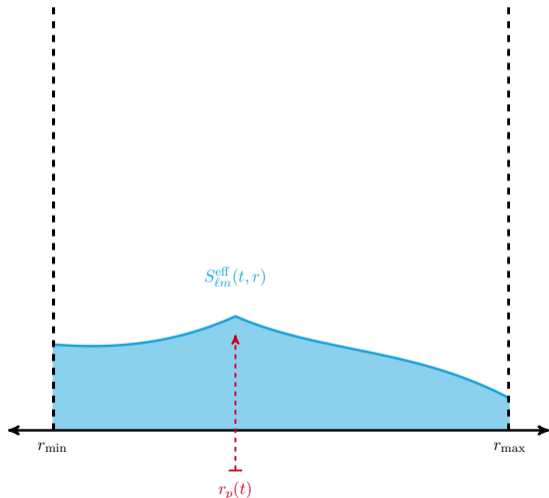


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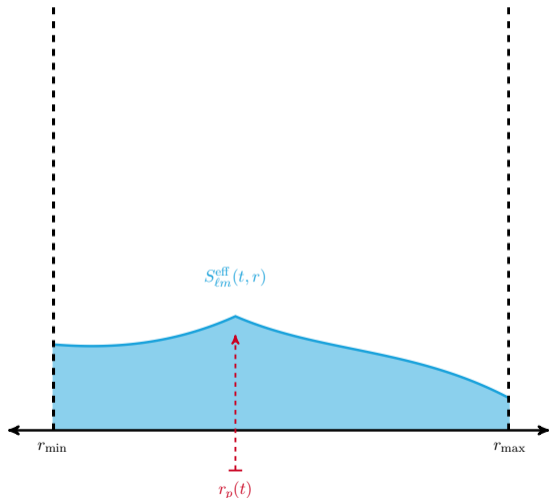


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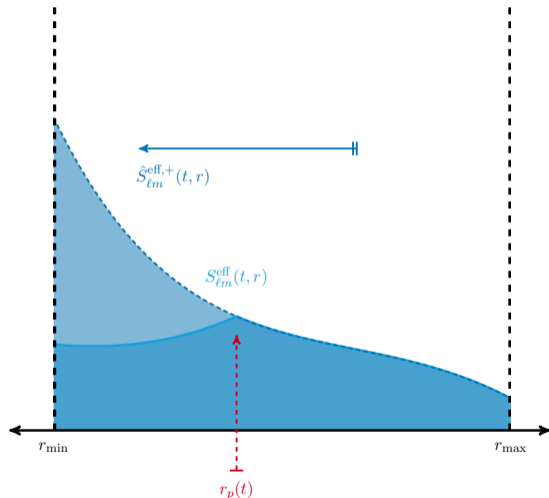


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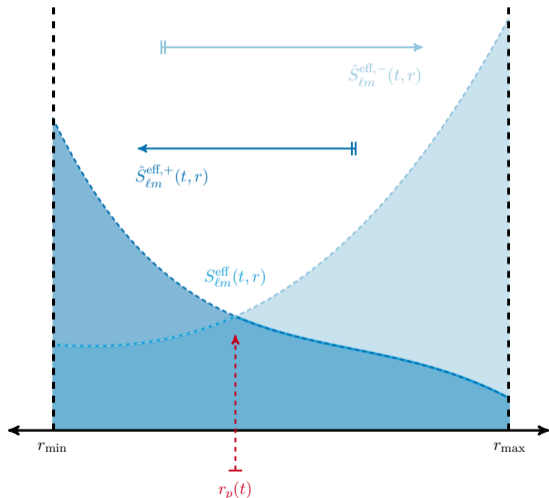
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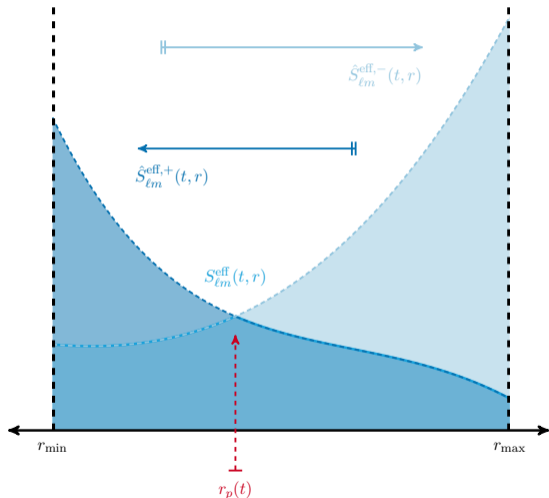


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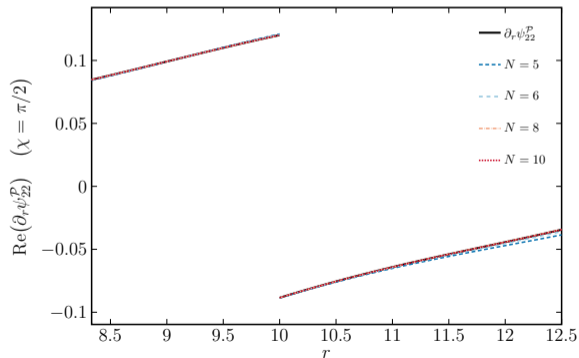
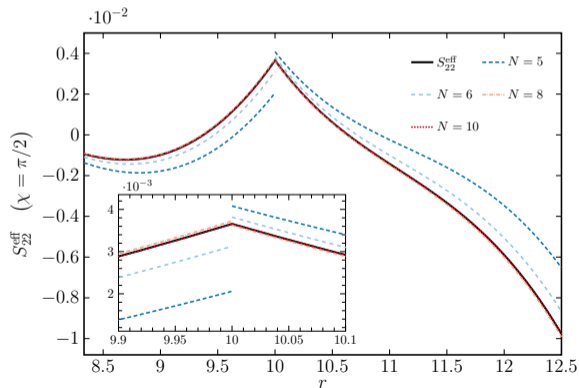


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- By extension, for any t and r ,

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- We define the FD EPS (with EES) to be $\hat{\psi}_p^\pm$
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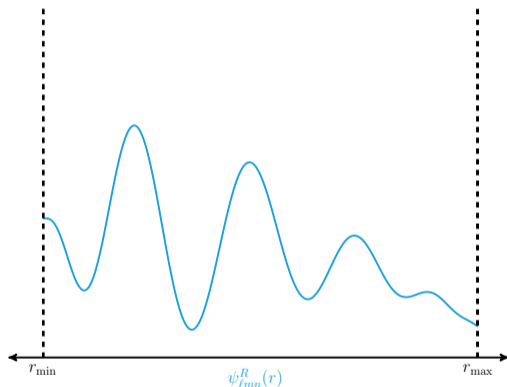
$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\psi}^+ &\equiv \hat{\psi}_p^+ - \kappa^+ \psi_h^+, \\ \tilde{\psi}^- &\equiv \hat{\psi}_p^- - \lambda^- \psi_h^-.\end{aligned}$$

- The FD EPS can then be transferred to the TD

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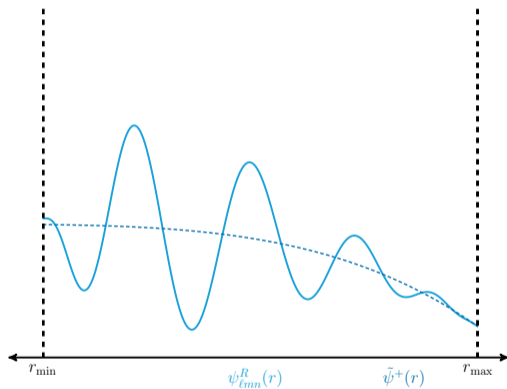
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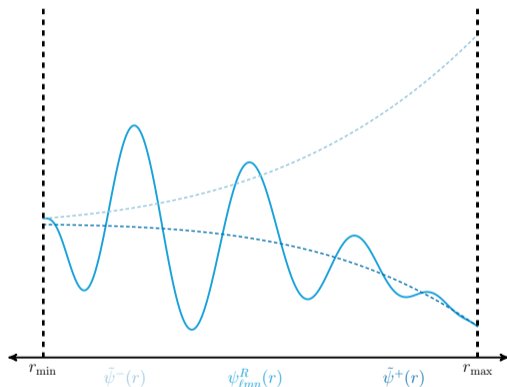
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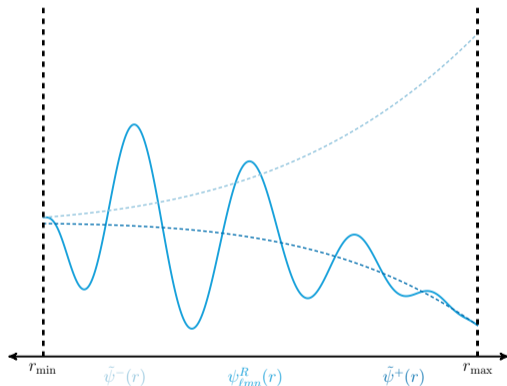
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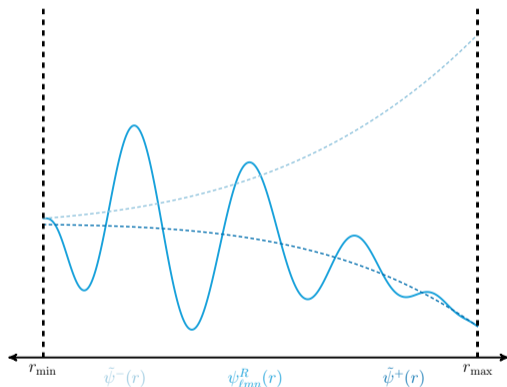
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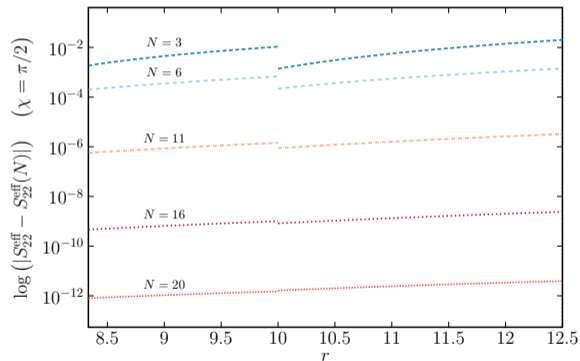
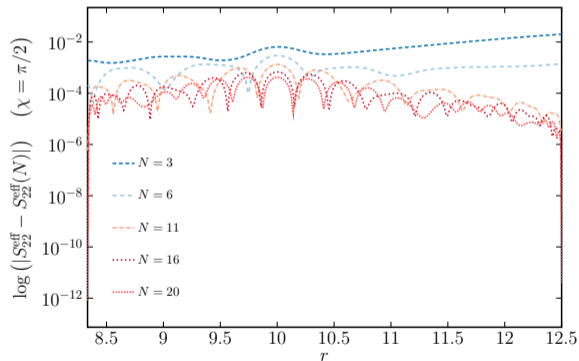
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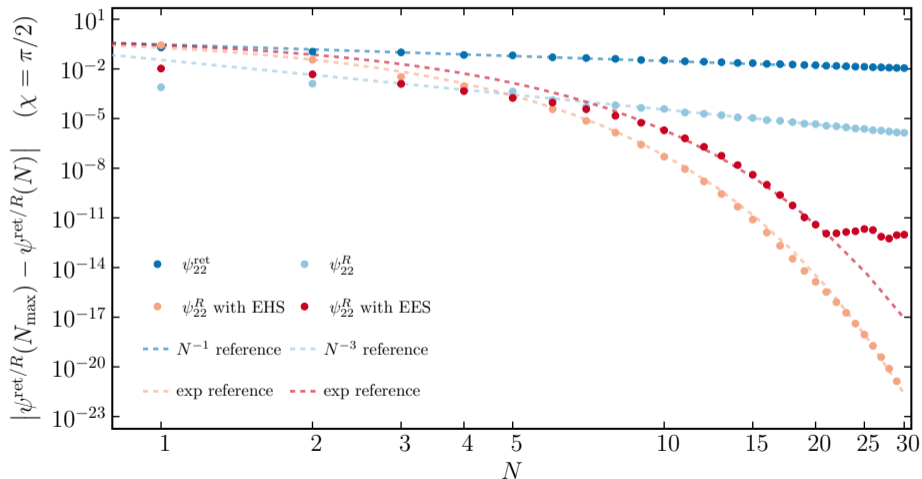
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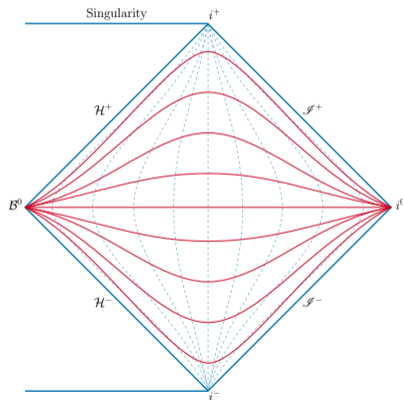


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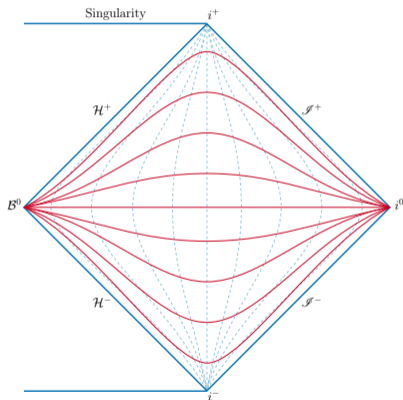


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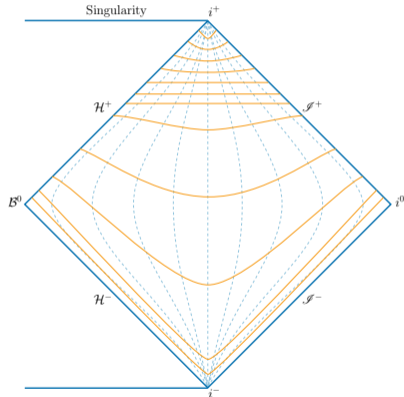



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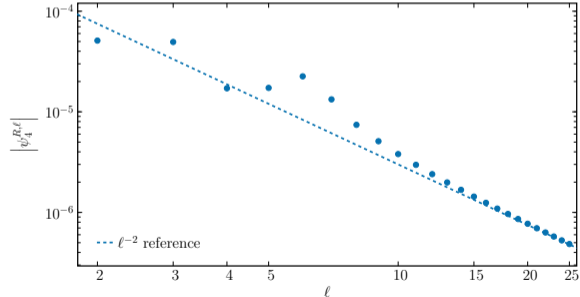
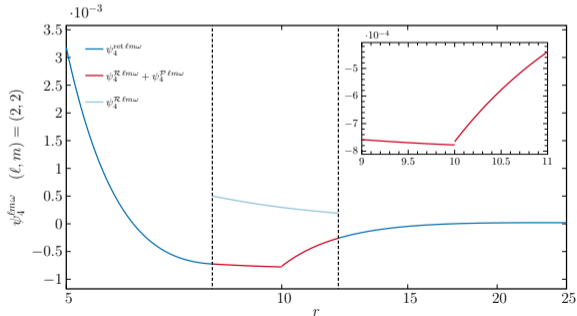
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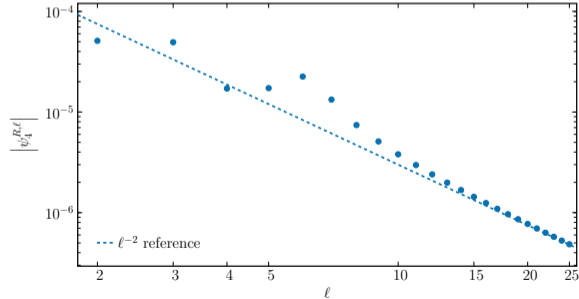
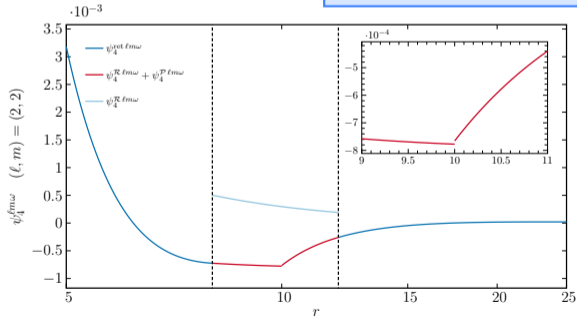
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