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# Delicate Cancellations in Kaluza-Klein Dark Matter Calculations

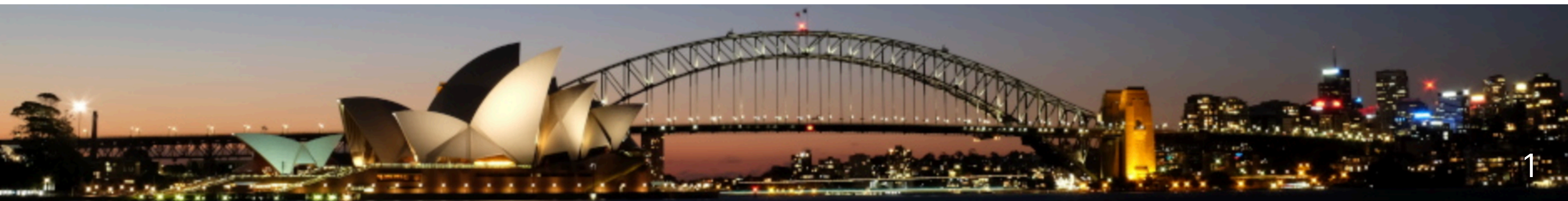
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Phys. Rev. D 108, L051702, arXiv: [2303.04329](https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.04329)

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# Outline



- **Motivation**
  - Gravity as **massless spin-2** - making it **massive and issues**
  - Published **incorrect scaling** - lower EFT scale, implications for phenom/colliders/DM
- **Delicate Cancellation Example**
  - **Massive Spin-2 Graviton/Photon Production**
- (Briefly) **Geometric Higgs Mechanism**
  - Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking, hierarchy solution, infinite tower of massive states, unitary and Goldstone Equivalence
- **Summary**

# Gravity as Spin-2 Field



- General Relativity: EFT up to Planck Mass (classical field theory with dim-6 operator)

$$S = \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{4} \int d^4x \sqrt{|\det g|} R$$

- Weak field expansion - generates kinetic energy term for spin-2 field  $h_{\mu\nu}$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}, \quad \kappa \propto 1/M_{\text{Pl}}$$

- **GR is the fully self-interacting theory of massless spin-2 field!**
- Only two propagating degrees of freedom
- What if it was massive - how does it all change?

# Massive (Spin-2) Gravity



- Add a mass term in the Lagrangian by hand - recovers GR in massless limit

$$S_{\text{Mass}} = -\frac{1}{4} \int d^4x \sqrt{|\det g|} M_G^2 \left( h_{\mu\nu} h^{\mu\nu} - h^2 \right)$$

- Massive spin-1 polarisation vectors:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon_0^\mu(k_2)} = \frac{E_{k_2}}{M_G} \left( \sqrt{1 - \frac{M_G^2}{E_{k_2}^2}}, \hat{k} \right).$$

- Now have **FIVE** propagating degrees of freedom c.f. **TWO** in massless GR

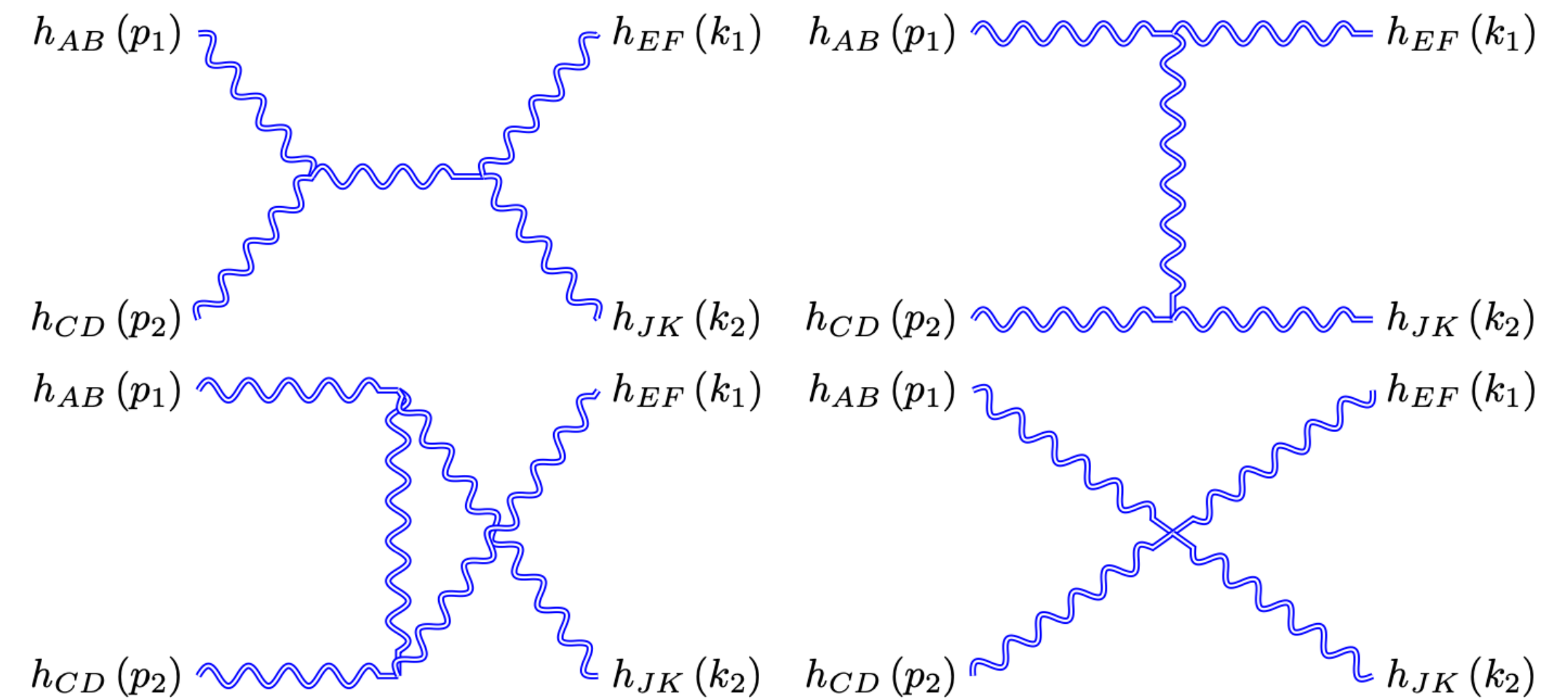
$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_G = \pm 2, \quad \varepsilon_{\pm 2}^{\mu\nu} &= \varepsilon_{\pm 1}^\mu \varepsilon_{\pm 1}^\nu, \\ \lambda_G = \pm 1, \quad \varepsilon_{\pm 1}^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \boxed{\varepsilon_{\pm 1}^\mu \varepsilon_0^\nu} + \boxed{\varepsilon_0^\mu \varepsilon_{\pm 1}^\nu} \right], \\ \lambda_G = 0, \quad \varepsilon_0^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \left[ \varepsilon_{+1}^\mu \varepsilon_{-1}^\nu + \varepsilon_{-1}^\mu \varepsilon_{+1}^\nu + 2\boxed{\varepsilon_0^\mu \varepsilon_0^\nu} \right], \end{aligned}$$

- **Massless limit is discontinuous for both  $\pm 1$  and 0 modes!**



# Stuckelberg Trick

- Splitting the spin-2 field into each of its polarisations
- The **0** mode couples to the trace of stress-energy tensor
- **Does not decouple in massless limit:**
  - van Dam-Veltman-Zakharov (vDVZ) discontinuity
- **Resolution:** Vainshtein mechanism - linear theory not enough

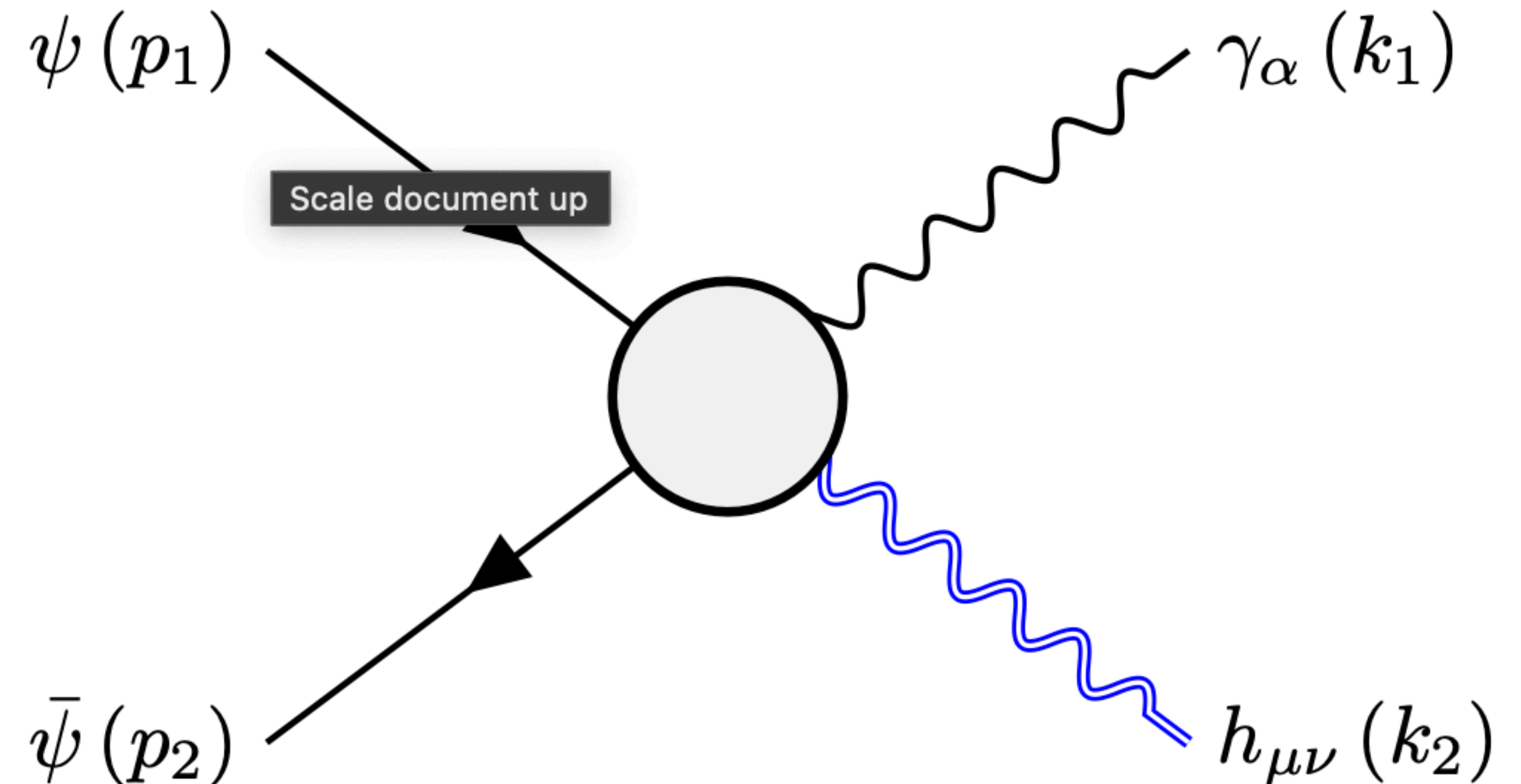


- Naive power counting:  $\mathcal{M} \propto \kappa^2 E^{10}/M_G^8$
- dRGT Model (adding finely-tuned potentials):  
 $\mathcal{M} \propto \kappa^2 E^6/M_G^4$
- **EFT scale now drastically reduced!**

**Note:** for massive gauge field - longitudinal mode couples to  $\partial_\mu J^\mu$  and vanishes for conserved currents

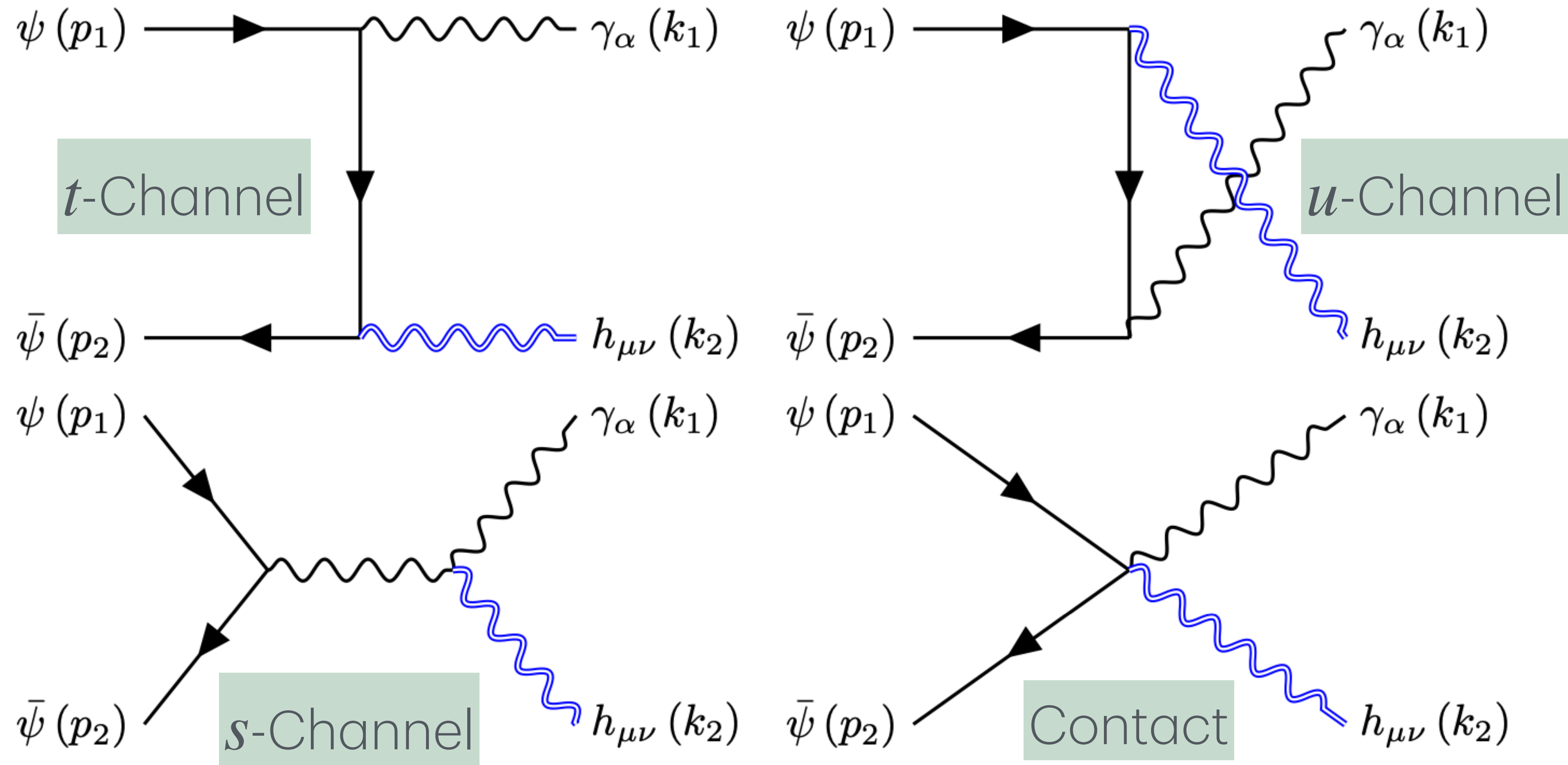
# A Model - 1 Massive Graviton Leg

- Take  $\psi + \bar{\psi} \rightarrow \gamma + h_{\mu\nu}$
- PRL **128**, 081806 (gluon) found
$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 \propto m_q^4/M_G^4$$
- Agnostic to mass generation
- If graviton - GW experiments set upper bound  $M_G \leq \mathcal{O}(10^{-23})$  eV/c<sup>2</sup>
- **Heavily constrain gravitational coupling**



- **To test this, we work in full generality  
- no shortcuts or simplifying tricks**

# Tree-Level Diagrams



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$$\mathcal{M}_s = -\kappa g_\psi e \left\{ \frac{s \sin \theta}{\sqrt{3}} \right\} \left( \frac{m_\psi}{M_G^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(M_G^0),$$

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**The sum of them exactly cancels!**

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# Investigation



- Checking for every polarisation of fermions, photons and the graviton
- Graviton: longitudinal  $0$ , vector  $\pm 1$  and transverse  $\pm 2$  polarisations

**Amplitudes grew no faster than  $\mathcal{M} \propto \kappa E$**

**External graviton leg behaves as a scalar!**

**Process is unitary to Planck scale  $\kappa \propto M_{\text{Pl}}$**

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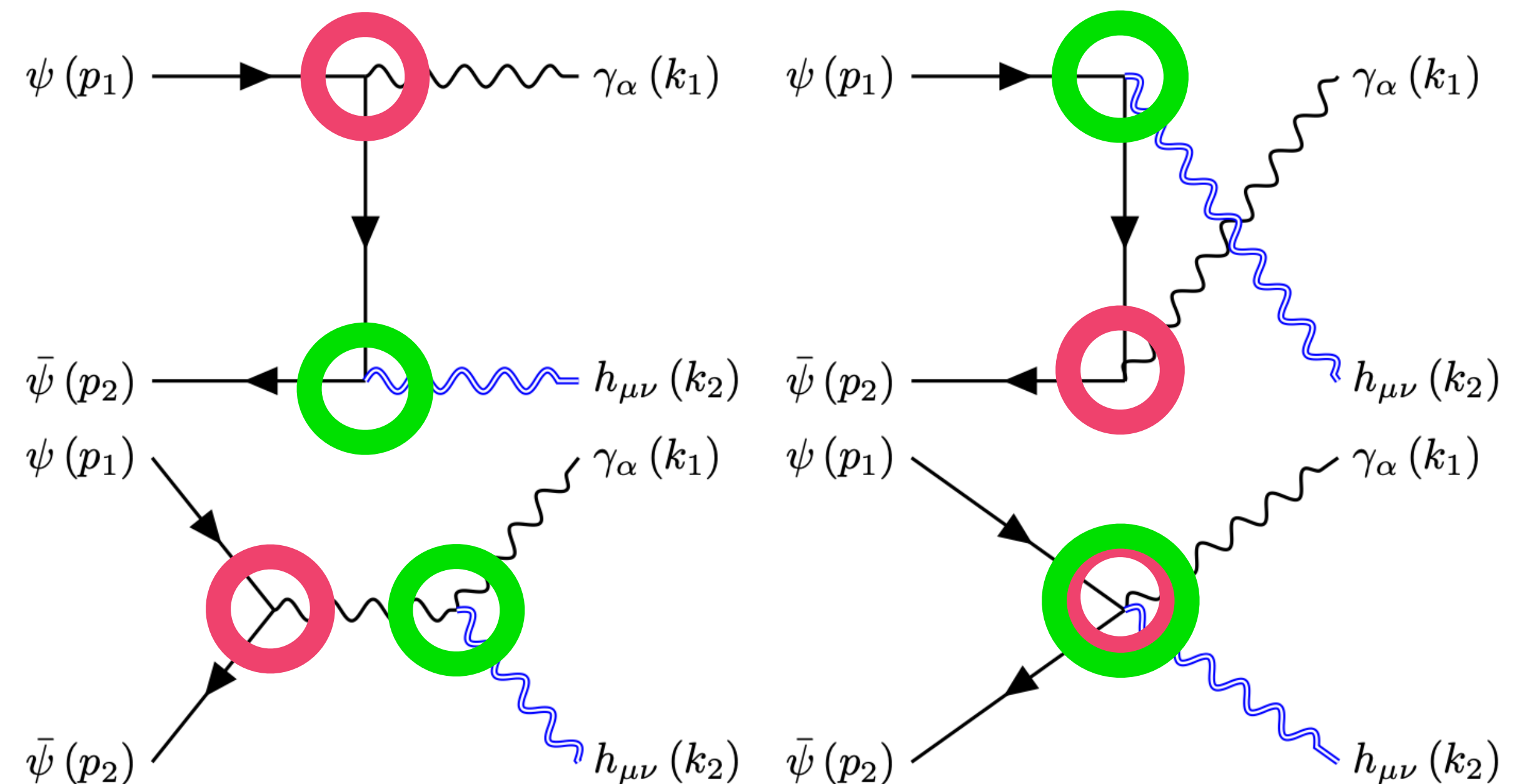
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# Spin-2 Ward Identity?



- Pathologies in massive gravity typically from propagators - none at tree-level here
- Inclusion of external graviton would not alter global  $U(1)$  symmetry
  - Effective QED Ward identity
- Computed QED (red) and gravitational (green) Ward identities hold
- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} \propto h_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu}$ , conserved  $T^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow$  Ward Identity





# Remarks



- Generalisable to incoming quarks and outgoing gluon, and all crossing symmetries
- No mass scale dependence in amplitude
- **No large cross-section  $\rightarrow$  no spike in relic density**
- **Null detections does not heavily constrain the coupling**
- Mass generation mechanism (by hand or otherwise) does not influence result
- Gravitational Ward Identity hold in general?
- Phenomenological implications for graviton (single spin-2 external state):
  - Production at LHC, direct detection and relic density calculations

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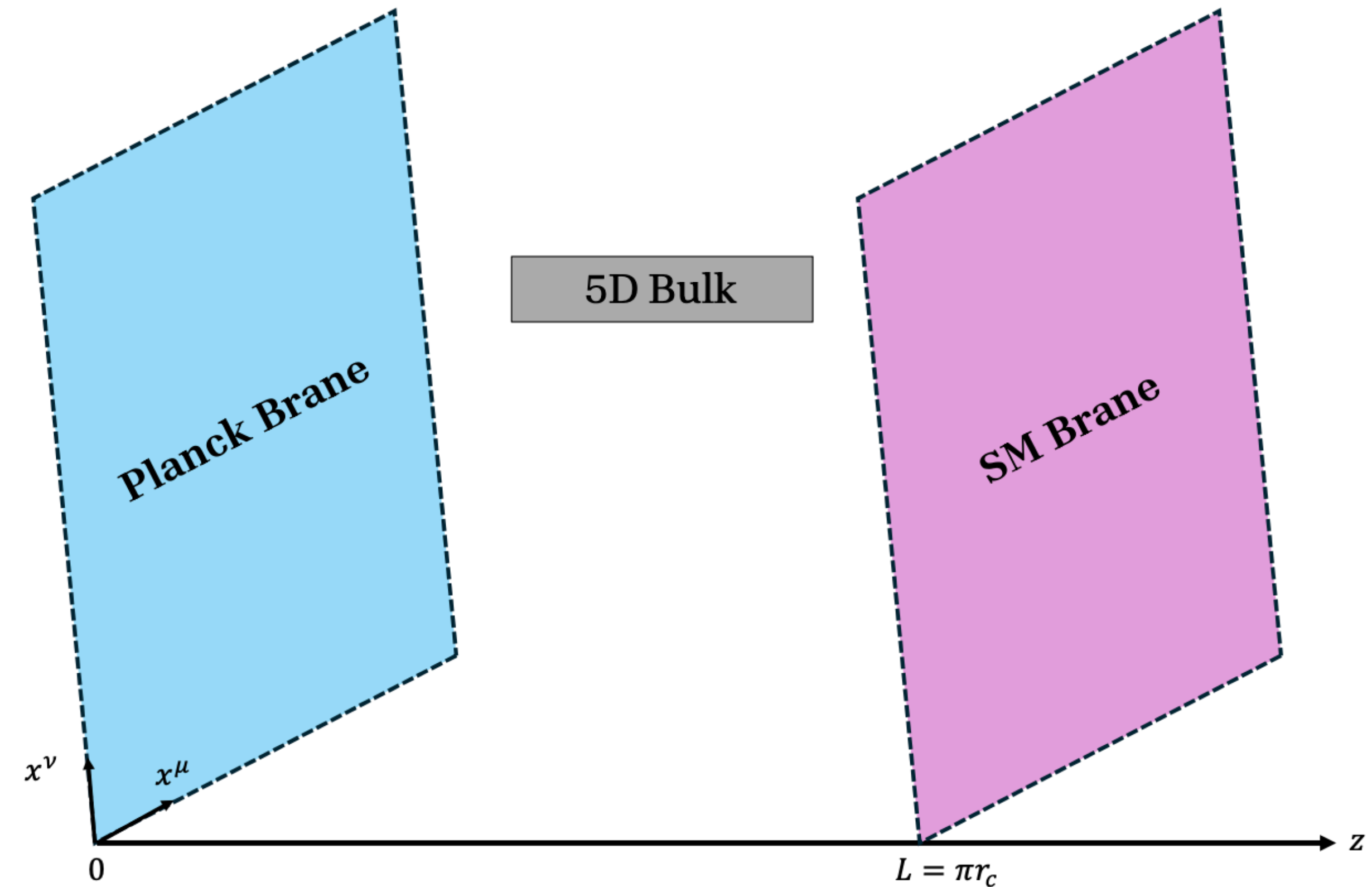
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# Spontaneous Mass Generation



- Massive spin-2 **explicitly breaks diffeomorphism**
- GR is diffeomorphism invariant in N-dim
- **Massive 4D spin-2 = 5 DoF = massless 5D spin-2**
- 'Softly' broken 5D GR (compactified) will generate massive 4D spin-2
- **Exactly 1 massless spin-2 field (GR)**
- **Infinite tower of massive spin-2 states**

$$h_{\mu\nu}(x, z) \propto \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_{\mu\nu}^{(n)}(x) \psi_n(z)$$



## Hierarchy Resolution

SM scaled down,  
Gravity unchanged

$$\langle \Phi \rangle_{\text{SM}} = e^{-kL} \langle \Phi \rangle_{\text{Pl}} \quad \kappa_5 \sim \kappa_4$$



# Kaluza Klein Gravity - Unitary



- Kaluza Klein decomposition of spin-2 in compactified extra-dim
- Unitarity tests:
  - **KK Graviton Self-scattering (Phys. Rev. D 101, 075013)**
  - **Stabilised KK Graviton Self Scattering (Phys. Rev. D 103, 095024)**
  - **Brane and Bulk Matter Scattering to KK Gravitons (Phys. Rev. D 109, 015033)**
  - etc...
- **Goldstone Equivalence Theorem for KK Scattering (Phys. Rev. D 109, 075016)**

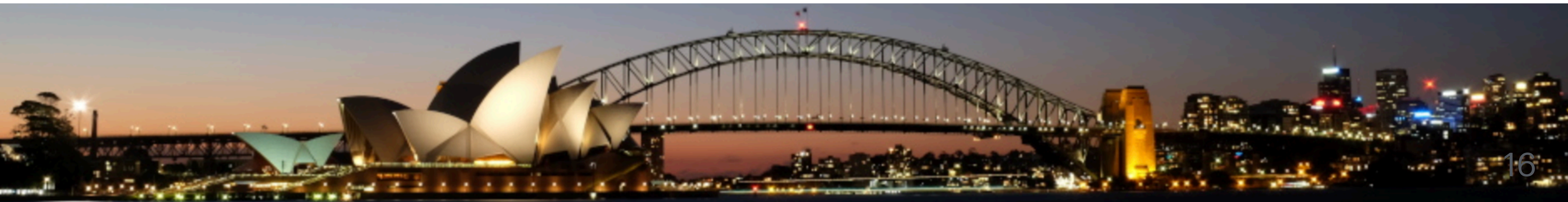


# Summary Future

- **Gravitational calculations are tedious**
  - Beyond first order amplitudes become intangible - algebraic tools (xAct etc)
- **Care:** momenta and Dirac structure - one small error and cancellation not realised
- Here, **no large constraints placed on coupling** because no scale dependence
- **Immediate work - KK modes as dark matter, KK portal between dark sector.**
- **Future Work - Calculations beyond tree-level? Gravitational Ward Identity? Gravity as Double Copy of Gauge Field?**

See also:

- G. Sanamyan (DM in Stabilised KK Portal)
- R. S. Chivukula / E. Simmons (Extra-Dim Gravity and KK DM Portal Models)







# Extra Slides

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Phys. Rev. D 109, 015033

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# Extra-Dim Gravity

- Look to extra-dimensions, in particular the Degrees of Freedom (DoF)

- **DoF for massive 4D spin-2 = 5 = DoF for massless 5D spin-2**

- Consider **massless 5-Dim GR and decompose into Fourier modes:**

$$S = \frac{M_{\text{Pl},5}^2}{4} \int d^5x \sqrt{|\det g|} R^{(5)}, \quad h_{AB}(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} h_{AB}^{(n)}(x) \psi_n(y)$$

- The extra-dim profile  $\psi_n(y)$  satisfy a Sturm-Liouville equation:
  - Boundary conditions generate unique eigenvalues and ortho-normal states
- The eigenvalues are the factor to a quadratic term in the 4D effective spin-2 field  $h_{AB}^{(n)}(x)$

**‘Natural’ process to generate exactly one massless mode, and a tower of massive spin-2 states**



# Randall-Sundrum 1 Model



- B.C.s set by 4D slices (branes)
- Warped 4D (AdS) geometry

$$G_{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-2(k|z|+\hat{u})} (\eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa_5 \hat{h}_{\mu\nu}) & 0 \\ 0 & -(1+2\hat{u})^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

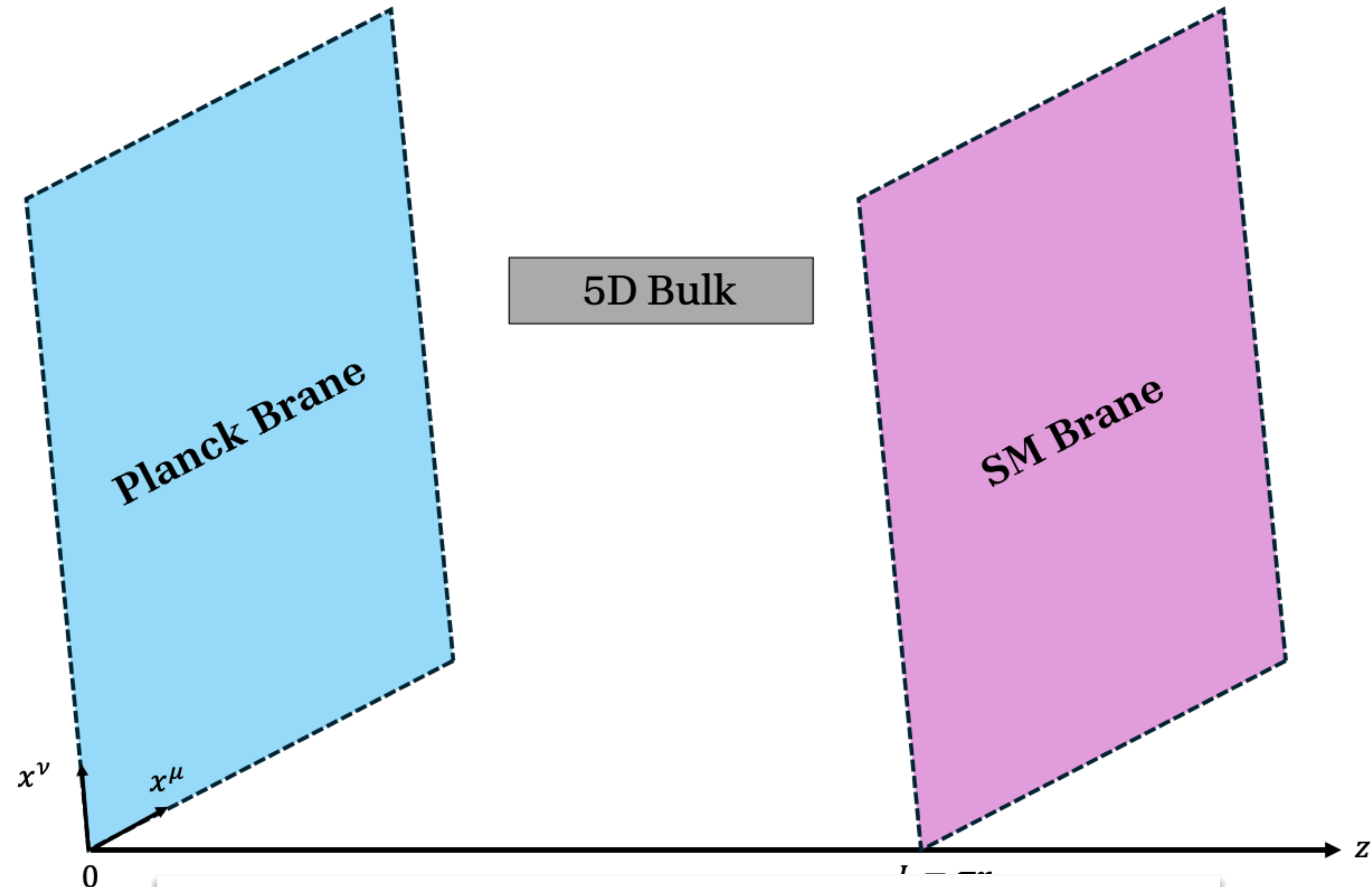
$$\hat{u}(x, z) \equiv \frac{\kappa_5 \hat{r}(x, z)}{2\sqrt{6}} e^{k(2|z|-\pi r_c)}$$

- 'Solution' to EW hierarchy

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$$\kappa_5 \sim \kappa_4$$

- SM scaled down, GR unscaled

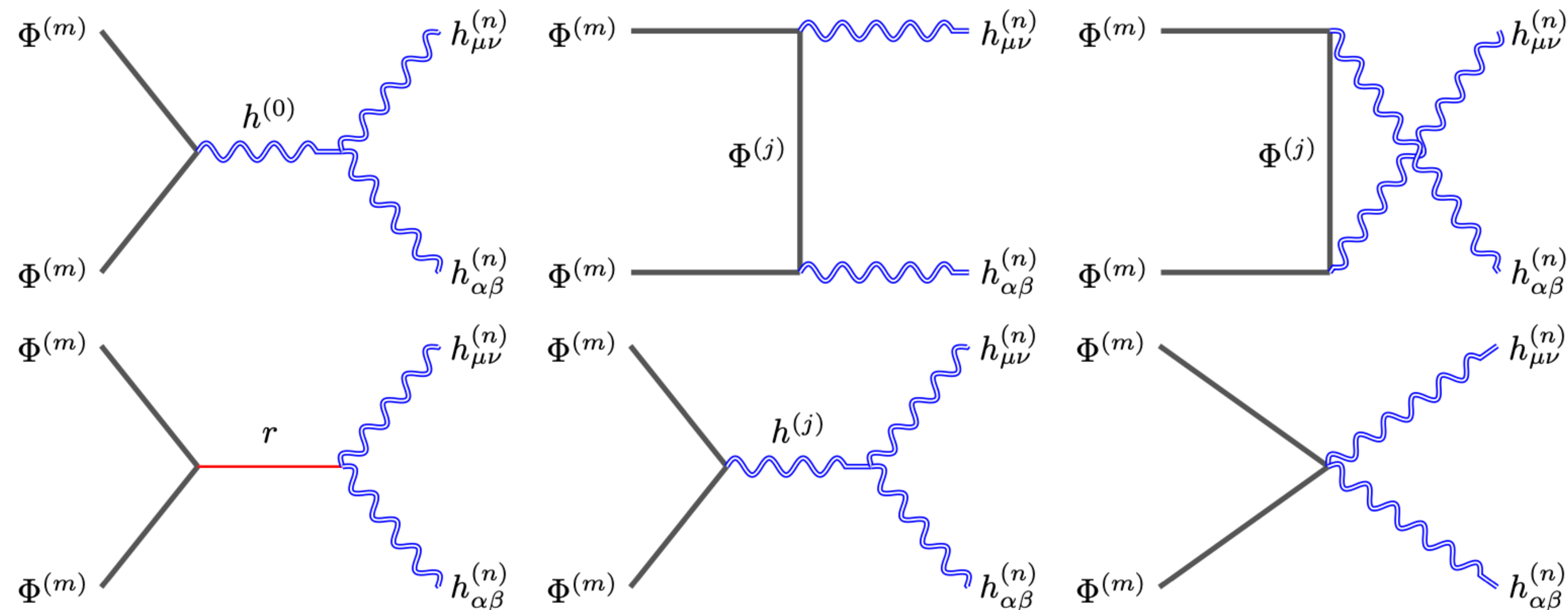


Note: **Introduced massless scalar field (radion) and propagates a long-range force → unstable geometry (more on this later)**

# #2: Check Unitary



- Compute amplitudes for brane-localised (no tower) and bulk matter (also infinite tower)
- No explicit symmetry breaking - expect  $\mathcal{M} \propto E^2/M_{\text{Pl}}^2$
- Explicitly chosen to work in unitary gauge and elastic scattering



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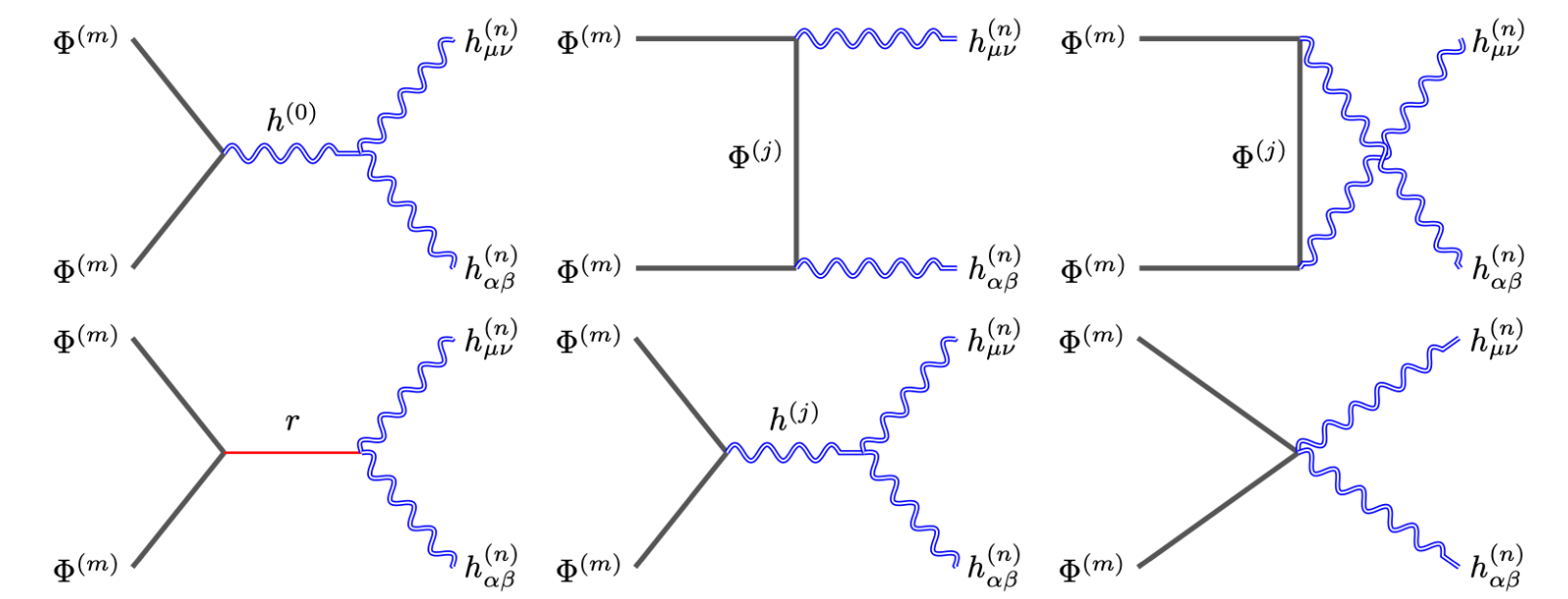


# #2: $E^6$ Results

- Vertices proportional to overlap integrals of extra-dim profiles
- A set of 'sum-rules' determined -> consequence of S-L
- Order  $E^6 = s^3$  cancels due to completeness

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}^{(6)} = \frac{\kappa^2(1 - \cos 2\theta)}{192m_n^4} \left[ \left( f^{(n)}(\bar{z}) \right)^2 - \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_{nnj} f^{(j)}(\bar{z}) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_{nnj} f^{(j)}(\bar{z}) &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left[ \int_{z_1}^{z_2} dz e^{3A(z)} f^{(n)}(z) f^{(n)}(z) f^{(j)}(z) \right] f^{(j)}(\bar{z}) \\ &= \int_{z_1}^{z_2} dz f^{(n)}(z) f^{(n)}(z) \delta(z - \bar{z}) \\ &= \left[ f^{(n)}(\bar{z}) \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$



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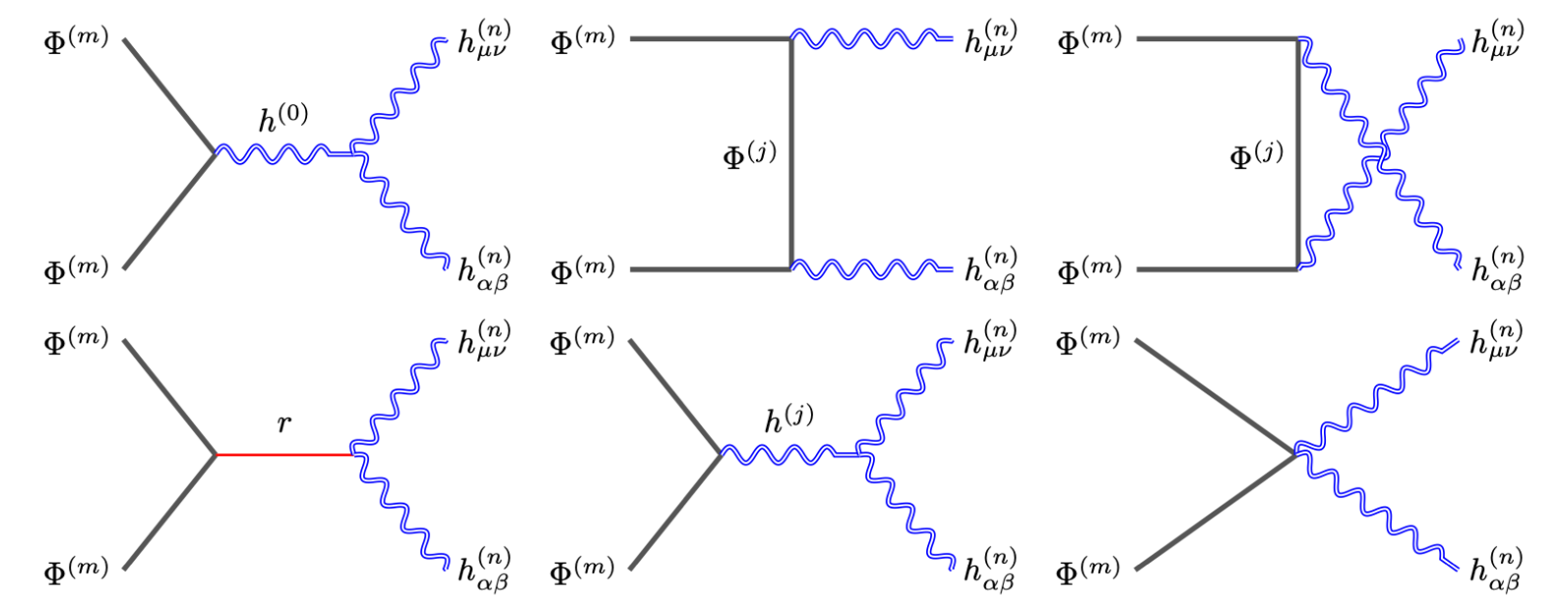
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## #2: $E^4$ and $E^2$ Results

- The radion kicks in at this level
- Order  $E^4 = s^2$  cancels due by using:
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- The remaining  $E^2 = s$  contribution simplifies to

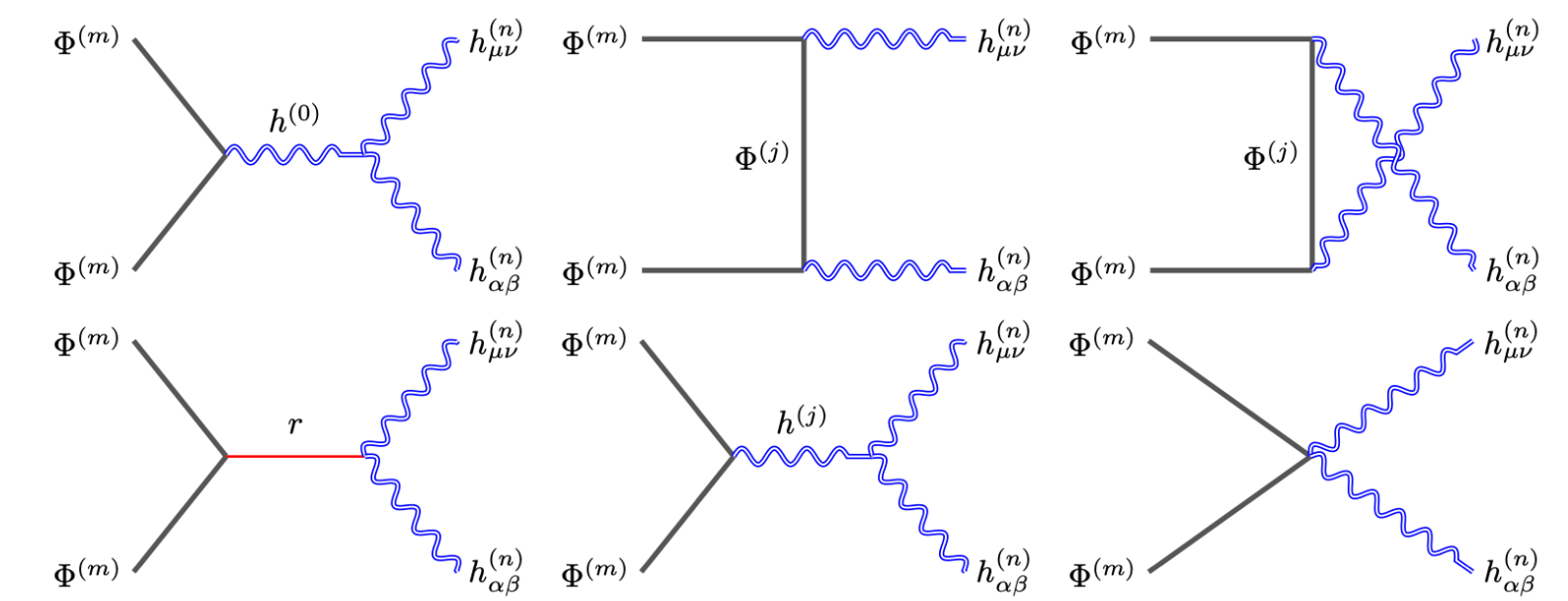
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$$\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}^{(2)} = - \frac{\kappa^2 (3 \cos 2\theta + 1)}{96} \left[ k^{(n)}(\bar{z}) \right]^2$$

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# #2 - Remarks



- Results hold for all types of brane-localised and bulk matter (scalar, fermion and vector)
- Elastic scattering **incoming** spin-2 modes (Phys. Rev. D **101**, 075013) - same results applied
- Brane matter:
  - Branes break diffeo sym. however, remnant 5D diffeo sym
  - Spin-2 sector still invariant for gauge choice which leaves brane fixed
  - As long as **matter localised on the boundary** - it too has remnant 5D diffeo sym
  - See Phys. Rev. D **106**, 035026 for details
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**Goldstone equivalence theorem appears!**  
**Each amplitudes behaves  $\propto$  kinetic factors**  
**multiplied by overlap of incoming states with**  
**Goldstone Scalar Bosons!**

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# #3 - Goldstone Equivalence



- Following the GRavitational Equivalence Theorem (GRET) by Hang and He
- Transparent power counting using Ward Identities
  - Introduce 't Hooft-Feynman Gauge
  - Apply Ward Identities to polarisation vectors
  - **No bad-high energy behaviour from the beginning!**
- Explicitly shown for:
  - Two bulk scalars  $\rightarrow$  two KK graviton states
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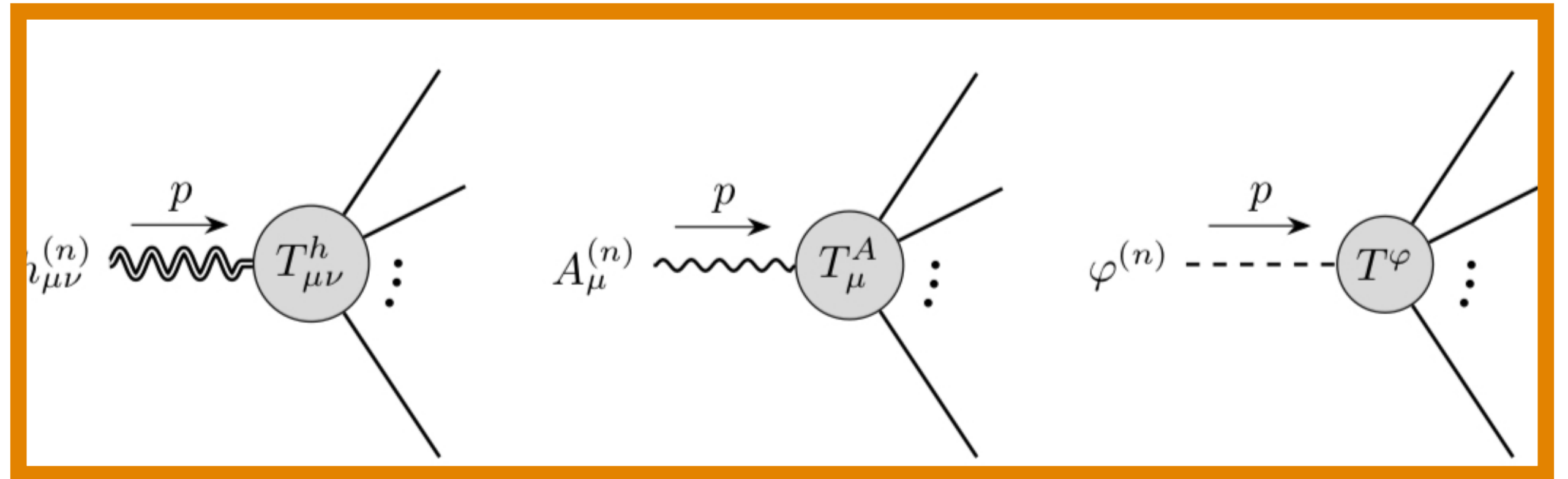
# #3 - Specifics



$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{GF}} &= \sum_n F^{(n)\mu} F_{\mu}^{(n)} - F_5^{(n)} F_5^{(n)}, \\ F_{\mu}^{(n)} &= - \left( \partial^{\nu} h_{\mu\nu}^{(n)} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} h^{(n)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} m_n A_{\mu}^{(n)} \right), \\ F_5^{(n)} &= - \left( \frac{1}{2} m_n h^{(n)} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \partial^{\mu} A_{\mu}^{(n)} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} m_n \varphi^{(n)} \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}T_{\mu\nu}^h &= \mathcal{N} \int d^4x e^{ipx} D_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^h \langle \mathbf{T} h_{\rho\sigma}^{(n)}(x) \Phi \rangle \\ &= \mathcal{N} \int d^4x e^{ipx} (-\square - m_n^2) \langle \mathbf{T} \left( h_{\mu\nu}^{(n)}(x) - \frac{1}{2} \eta_{\mu\nu} h^{(n)}(x) \right) \Phi \rangle \\ T_{\mu}^A &= \mathcal{N} \int d^4x e^{ipx} D_{\mu\nu}^A \langle \mathbf{T} A_{\nu}^{(n)}(x) \Phi \rangle = \mathcal{N} \int d^4x e^{ipx} (-\square - m_n^2) \langle \mathbf{T} \left( -A_{\mu}^{(n)}(x) \right) \Phi \rangle \\ T^{\varphi} &= \mathcal{N} \int d^4x e^{ipx} D^{\varphi} \langle \mathbf{T} \varphi^{(n)}(x) \Phi \rangle = \mathcal{N} \int d^4x e^{ipx} (-\square - m_n^2) \langle \mathbf{T} \varphi^{(n)}(x) \Phi \rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \mathbf{T} F_{\mu}^{(n)}(x) \Phi \rangle = \langle \mathbf{T} F_5^{(n)}(x) \Phi \rangle = 0,$$



$$\begin{aligned}\frac{i}{2} p^{\nu} (T_{\mu\nu}^h + T_{\nu\mu}^h) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} m_n T_{\mu}^A &= 0, \\ -\frac{1}{2} m_n T_{\mu}^{h\mu} + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} p^{\mu} T_{\mu}^A + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} m_n T^{\varphi} &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^h \epsilon_0^{\mu\nu} = T^{\varphi} - i\sqrt{3} T_{\mu}^A \tilde{\epsilon}_0^{\mu} + T_{\mu\nu}^h \tilde{\epsilon}_0^{\mu\nu}.$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^h \epsilon_{\pm 1}^{\mu\nu} = -iT_{\mu}^A \epsilon_{\pm}^{\mu} + T_{\mu\nu}^h \tilde{\epsilon}_{\pm 1}^{\mu\nu},$$

# #3 - GRET - Main Takeaway



**Longitudinal mode of spin-2 field appears as Goldstone Scalar Boson in high energy limit**

**Made clear using Ward Identities in a general 't Hooft-Feynman Gauge**

$$\mathcal{M} \left[ h_L^{(n_1)} h_L^{(n_2)} \dots \right] = \mathcal{M} \left[ \varphi^{(n_1)} \varphi^{(n_2)} \dots \right] + \mathcal{O}(s^0),$$