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Spinoptics in a Stationary Spacetime

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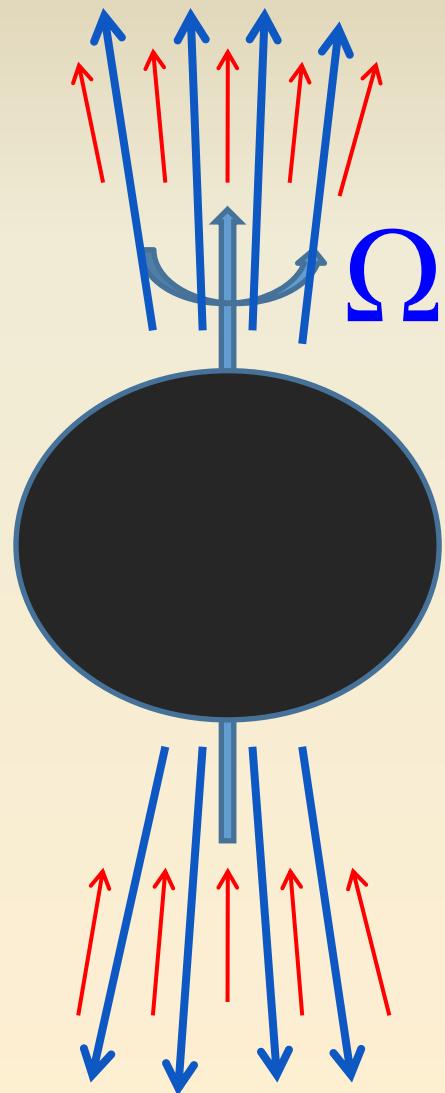
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Main goal is to study how the spin of a photon affects its motion in the gravitational field.

(WKB approach for a massless field with spin)

An example of gravitational spin-spin interaction: Asymmetry of Hawking radiation for polarized light



Gravito-electromagnetism

Weak field limit:

$$ds^2 = -c^2 \left(1 - 2 \frac{\Phi}{c^2}\right) dt^2 - \frac{4}{c} (\vec{A} \cdot d\vec{x}) dt + \left(1 + 2 \frac{\Phi}{c^2}\right) d\vec{x}^2,$$

$$\Phi \propto \frac{GM}{r}, \quad \vec{A} \propto \frac{G}{c} \frac{\vec{J} \times \vec{x}}{r^3},$$

Transverse gauge condition:

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} + \nabla \left(\frac{1}{2} \vec{A} \right) = 0$$

Define: $\vec{E} = \nabla\Phi + \frac{1}{c}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left(\frac{1}{2}\vec{A}\right)$, $\vec{B} = -\nabla \times \vec{A}$

Then one has:

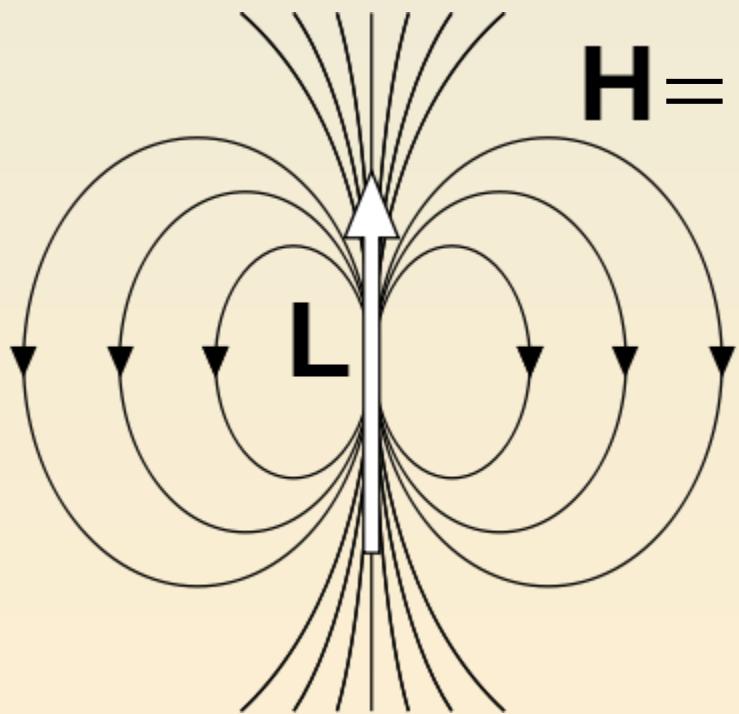
$$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left(\frac{1}{2}\vec{B}\right), \quad \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\vec{B}\right) = 0,$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = -4\pi G\rho, \quad \nabla \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\vec{B}\right) = \frac{1}{c}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left(\frac{1}{2}\vec{E}\right) - \frac{4\pi G}{c}\vec{j},$$

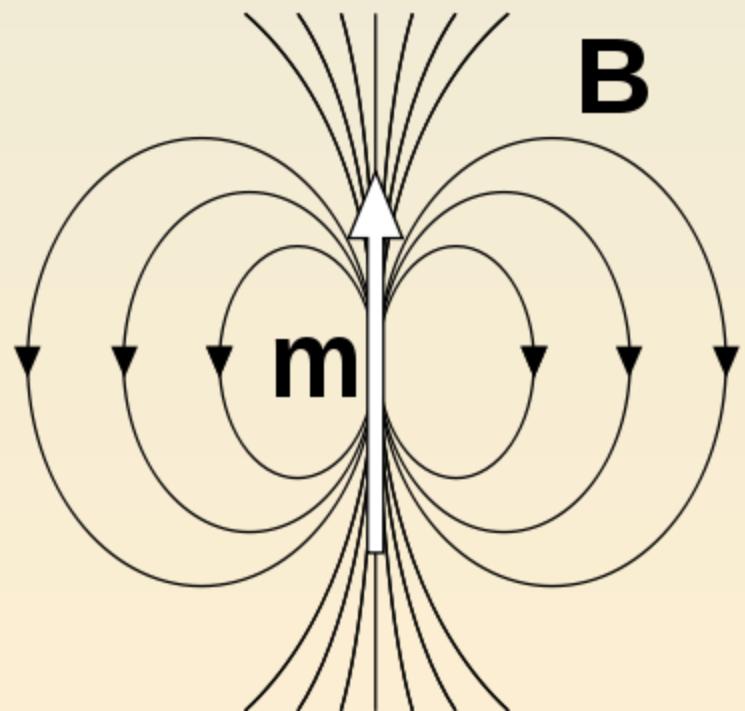
$$\nabla \cdot \vec{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho = 0$$

For a particle motion:

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \vec{F}, \quad \vec{F} = \mu\vec{E} + 2\mu \left[\frac{\vec{v}}{c} \times \vec{B} \right]$$

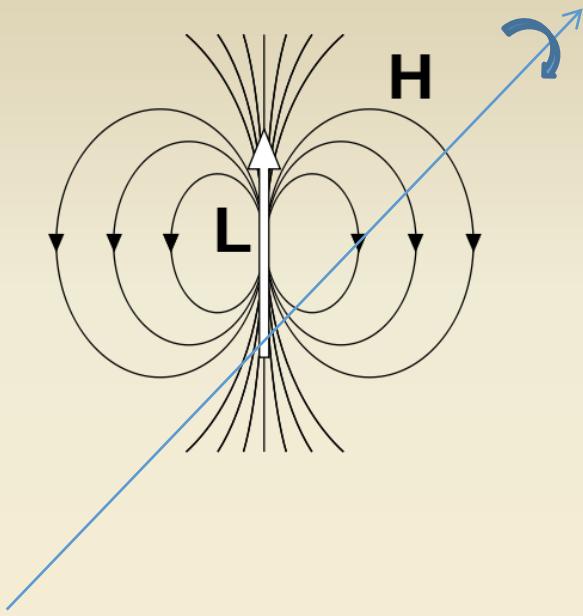


$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{B}_g$$



$$\mathbf{B}$$

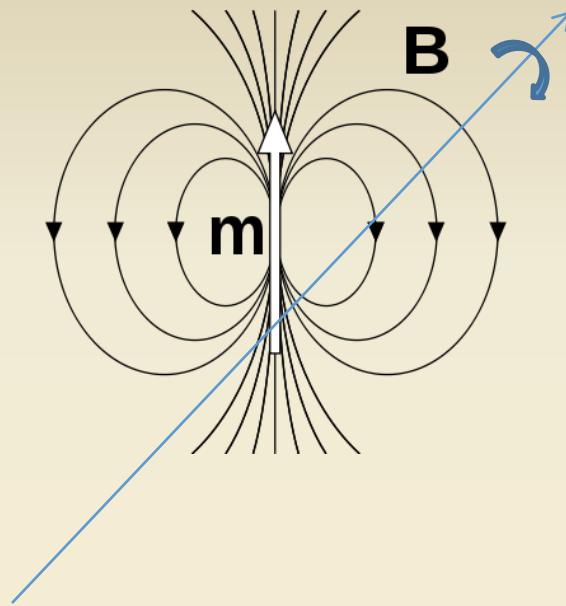
GRAVITY



Particle with spin

Maxwell equations

Electromagnetism

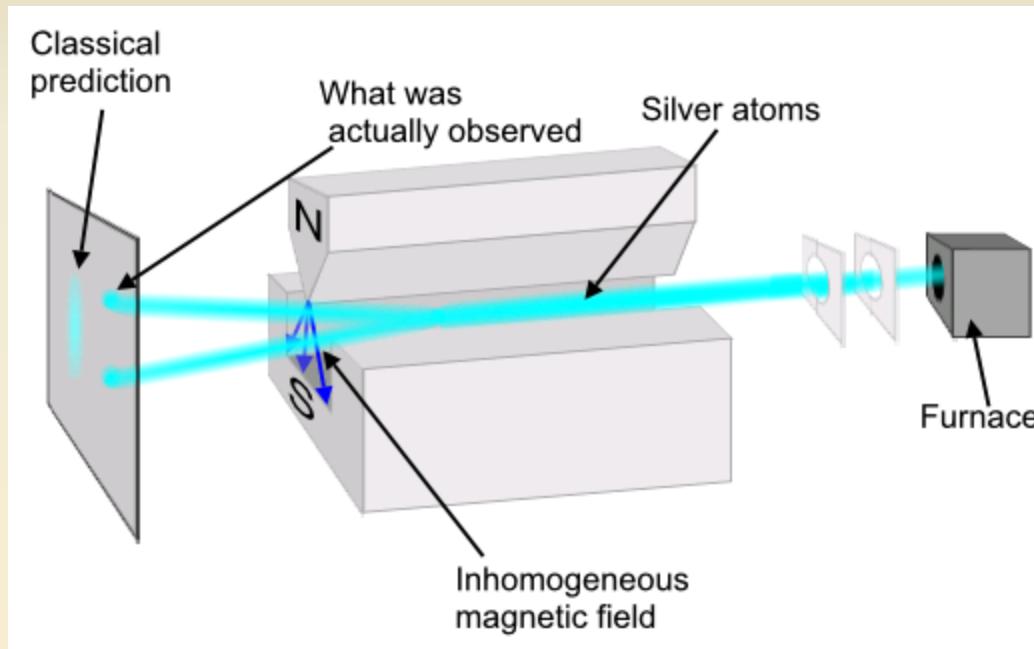


Particle with magnetic
dipole moment

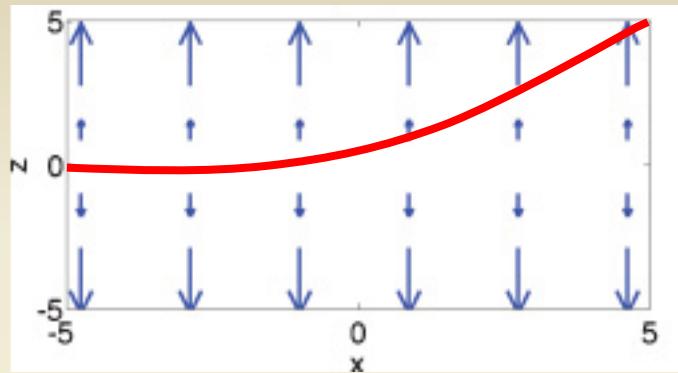
Dirac (Pauli) equation

Geometric optics (WKB) approximation

Stern-Gerlach Experiment



Hsu, Berrondo, Van Huele “Stern-Gerlach dynamics of quantum propagators”
 Phys. Rev. A 83, 012109 (2011)



$$H = H_z + H_x = \frac{p_x^2 + p_z^2}{2m} - \mu B_1 z \sigma_z$$

$$K(\vec{x}, \vec{x}_0; t) = K(x, x_0; t) K(z, z_0; t)$$

$$K(x, x_0; t) = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2\pi i \hbar t}} \exp\left(-\frac{m(x-x_0)^2}{2i\hbar t}\right)$$

$$K(z, z_0; t) = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2\pi i \hbar t}} \exp\left(-\frac{m(z-z_0)^2}{2i\hbar t} - \frac{\mu B_1 \sigma_z (z+z_0)t}{2i\hbar} + \frac{\mu^2 B_1^2 t^3}{24i\hbar m}\right)$$

$$H = \frac{p_z^2}{2m} - \lambda z, \quad \lambda = \mu B_1 \sigma_z,$$

$$\dot{z} = p_z / m, \quad \dot{p}_z = \lambda,$$

$$S = \int_{z_0}^z (p_z dz - H dt) = \frac{m(z - z_0)^2}{2t} + \frac{\mu B_1 \sigma_z (z + z_0)t}{2} + \frac{\mu^2 B_1^2 t^3}{12m},$$

$$K(z, z_0; t) \propto \exp(iS/\hbar)$$

Magnetic moment of the electron: $\mu = \frac{g}{2} \mu_B, \quad \mu_B = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e}$

By applying formal WKB to the Pauli equation with this μ , one would get

$$K(z, z_0; t) \propto \exp(iS_0/\hbar), \quad S_0 = \frac{m(z - z_0)^2}{2t}$$

Lessons

- (i) In the exact solution for a wave packet there exists correlation between orientation of spin and spatial trajectory of electron;
- (ii) At late time the up and down spin wave packets are moving along classical trajectories;
- (iii) Formal WKB solution represents the motion of the ‘center of mass’ of two packets

$$L = x - x_0 = Vt; \quad \Delta z = \frac{\mu B_1}{m} \frac{t^2}{2};$$

Condition when terms with μ become important
can be written as

$$\Delta z \sim L \Rightarrow 2m(x - x_0) \sim \mu B_1 t^2$$

or, equivalently, $L \sim mV^2 / (\mu B_1)$

To obtain a correct long time asymptotic behavior of the wave packet one needs:

- (i) to ‘diagonalize’ the field equations;
- (ii) to ‘enhance’ spin-dependent term
- (iii) include it in the eikonal function

Spinoptics in gravitational field

- (i) Spin induced effects
- (ii) Many-component field
- (iii) Helicity states
- (iv) Massless field
- (v) Gauge invariance

Riemann-Silberstein vector: $\vec{F}^\pm \equiv \vec{E} \pm i\vec{H}$

$$\vec{F}^+(t, \vec{r}) = \int d^3k \ \vec{e}(\vec{k}) \left[a_+(\vec{k}) e^{-i\omega t + i\vec{k}\vec{r}} + a_-(\vec{k}) e^{+i\omega t - i\vec{k}\vec{r}} \right]$$

$a_\pm(\vec{k})$ are the amplitudes of right and left circularly polarized EM waves with vector \vec{k}

Consider purely right polarized monochromatic wave

$$\vec{F}^+(t, \vec{r}) = e^{-i\omega t} \mathcal{F}^+(\vec{r})$$

Consider complex Maxwell field \mathbf{F} .

(Anti-)Self-dual field $\mathbf{F}^\pm = \pm i * \mathbf{F}^\pm$.

For monochromatic wave $\mathbf{F}^\pm \sim e^{-i\omega t} \mathcal{F}^\pm$.

In a curved ST there is a unique splitting of a complex Maxwell field into its self-dual and anti-self-dual parts. As a result the right and left polarized photons are well defined and the helicity is preserved.

Maxwell equations in a stationary ST

$$ds^2 = -h dS^2, \quad h = -\xi_{(t)}^2,$$

$$dS^2 = (dt - g_i dx^i)^2 + \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j$$

- ultrastationary metric

$$t \rightarrow \tilde{t} = t + q(x^i), \quad g_i \rightarrow \tilde{g}_i = g_i + q_{,i}$$

Since Maxwell eqns are conformally invariant it is convenient to perform calculations in the ultrastationary metric

3+1 form of Maxwell equations

$$E_i \equiv F_{i0}, \quad B_{ij} \equiv F_{ij}, \quad D^i \equiv h^2 F^{0i}, \quad H^{ij} \equiv h^2 F^{ij}.$$

$$D_i = E_i - H_{ij} g^j, \quad B^{ij} = H^{ij} - E^i g^j + E^j g^i.$$

$$B_{ij} = e_{ijk} B^k, \quad H^{ij} = e^{ijk} H_k.$$

$$C = [A \times B], C^i = e^{ijk} A_j B_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad D = E - [g \times H], B = H + [g \times E].$$

$$\text{div} \vec{B} = 0, \text{curl} \dot{\vec{E}} = -\vec{B}, \quad \text{div} \vec{D} = 0, \text{curl} \vec{H} = \vec{D}.$$

$$\mathbf{E} \equiv \frac{1}{8\pi} [(\vec{E}, \vec{D}) + (\vec{B}, \vec{H})], \quad \vec{V} \equiv \frac{1}{4\pi} [\vec{E} \times \vec{H}], \quad \dot{\mathbf{E}} + \text{div} \vec{V} = 0$$

Master equation for c-polarized light

Riemann-Silberstein vectors: $\vec{F}^\pm \equiv \vec{E} \pm i\vec{H}$, $\vec{G}^\pm \equiv \vec{D} \pm i\vec{B}$

$$\vec{E} = e^{-i\omega t} \mathcal{E} + e^{i\omega t} \mathcal{E}^*, \quad \vec{H} = e^{-i\omega t} \mathcal{H} + e^{i\omega t} \mathcal{H}^*$$

$$\vec{D} = e^{-i\omega t} \mathcal{D} + e^{i\omega t} \mathcal{D}^*, \quad \vec{B} = e^{-i\omega t} \mathcal{B} + e^{i\omega t} \mathcal{B}^*,$$

$$\mathcal{F}^\pm = \mathcal{E} \pm i\mathcal{H}, \quad \mathcal{G}^\pm = \mathcal{D} \pm i\mathcal{B}.$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathcal{G}^\pm = 0, \quad \operatorname{curl} \mathcal{F}^\pm = \pm \omega \mathcal{G}^\pm, \quad \mathcal{G}^\pm = \mathcal{F}^\pm \pm i[\vec{g} \times \mathcal{F}^\pm]$$

$$\operatorname{curl} \mathcal{F}^\pm = \pm \omega \mathcal{F}^\pm + i\omega [\vec{g} \times \mathcal{F}^\pm]$$

“Standard” geometric optics

Small dimensionless parameter: $\varepsilon = (\omega \ell)^{-1}$

ℓ is characteristic length scale of the problem

Geometric optics ansatz $\mathcal{F} = \vec{f} e^{i\omega S}$

There is a phase factor ambiguity

$$\vec{f} \Rightarrow e^{i\varphi(x)} \vec{f}, \quad S \Rightarrow S - \varphi(x) / \omega$$

Exact equation: $\vec{L}\vec{f} = \sigma\omega^{-1}\operatorname{curl}\vec{f}$

$$\vec{L}\vec{f} \equiv \vec{f} - i\sigma[\vec{n} \times \vec{f}],$$

$$\vec{n} \equiv \vec{p} - \vec{g}, \quad \vec{p} \equiv \nabla S,$$

Standard Geometric Optics

$$f = f_0 + \omega^{-1} f_1 + \omega^{-2} f_2 + \dots$$

$$L f_0 +$$

$$\omega^{-1} [L f_1 - \sigma \operatorname{curl} f_0] + \dots +$$

$$\omega^{-2} [L f_2 - \sigma \operatorname{curl} f_1] + \dots = 0$$

L is a degenerate operator. Condition of existence of solutions of eqn $L f_0 = 0$ implies the eikonal equation $(\nabla S - \vec{g})^2 = 1$

Effective Hamiltonian is:

$$H(x^i, p_i) \equiv \frac{1}{2} (\vec{p} - \vec{g})^2 = \frac{1}{2} \gamma^{ij} (p_i - g_i)(p_j - g_j)$$

Characteristic scale $L_F : \Delta\phi = L_F | \nabla \vec{g} | \propto 2\pi$

$$L_F \propto 4\pi / | \nabla \vec{g} |$$

4 - D point of view :

- (i) Light ray is a 4D null geodesic
- (ii) Vector of linear polarization is 4D parallel transported

Modified Geometric Optics

To fix an ambiguity in the choice of the phase,
we require that vectors of the basis $(\vec{n}, \vec{m}, \vec{m}^*)$ along rays
are Fermi transported;

$$\mathbf{F}_n \vec{a} = \nabla_n \vec{a} - (\vec{n}, \vec{a}) \vec{w} + (\vec{w}, \vec{a}) \vec{n}, \quad \vec{w} = \nabla_n \vec{n}$$

As a result the lowest order polarization dependent
correction is included in the phase.

$$\mathcal{F}^\sigma \approx f_0^\sigma m^\sigma e^{i\omega \tilde{S}(\vec{x})}, \quad \tilde{S}(\vec{x}) = \int_{\vec{x}_0}^{\vec{x}} \left[1 + \left(\vec{\tilde{g}}, \frac{d\vec{x}}{d\ell} \right) \right] d\ell,$$

$$\vec{\tilde{g}} = \vec{g} + \frac{\sigma}{2\omega} \operatorname{curl} \vec{g}$$

Modified geometric optics

$$\vec{\tilde{n}} \equiv \vec{p} - \vec{\tilde{g}}, \quad \vec{p} \equiv \nabla \tilde{S}, \quad \vec{\tilde{g}} \equiv \vec{g} + \frac{\sigma}{2\omega} \operatorname{curl} \vec{g},$$

$$\tilde{L} f \equiv f - i\sigma[\vec{\tilde{n}} \times f] = 0,$$

$$\tilde{L} f = \frac{\sigma}{\omega} \operatorname{curl} f + \frac{i}{2\omega} [\operatorname{curl} \vec{g} \times f]$$

$$\det \tilde{L} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (\vec{\tilde{n}}, \vec{\tilde{n}}) = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (\nabla \tilde{S} - \vec{\tilde{g}}) = 1,$$

$$\tilde{H}(x^i, p_i) = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{p} - \vec{\tilde{g}})^2 \equiv \frac{1}{2} \gamma^{ij} (p_i - \tilde{g}_i)(p_j - \tilde{g}_j),$$

$$\frac{D^2 \vec{x}}{d\ell^2} = \left[\frac{d\vec{x}}{d\ell} \times \vec{f}_\varepsilon \right], \quad \vec{f}_\varepsilon = \text{curl } \vec{g} + \varepsilon \text{curl curl } \vec{g},$$

$$\frac{d\tau}{d\ell} = 1 + (\vec{g}, \frac{d\vec{x}}{d\ell}), \quad \varepsilon = \pm(2\omega M)^{-1}$$

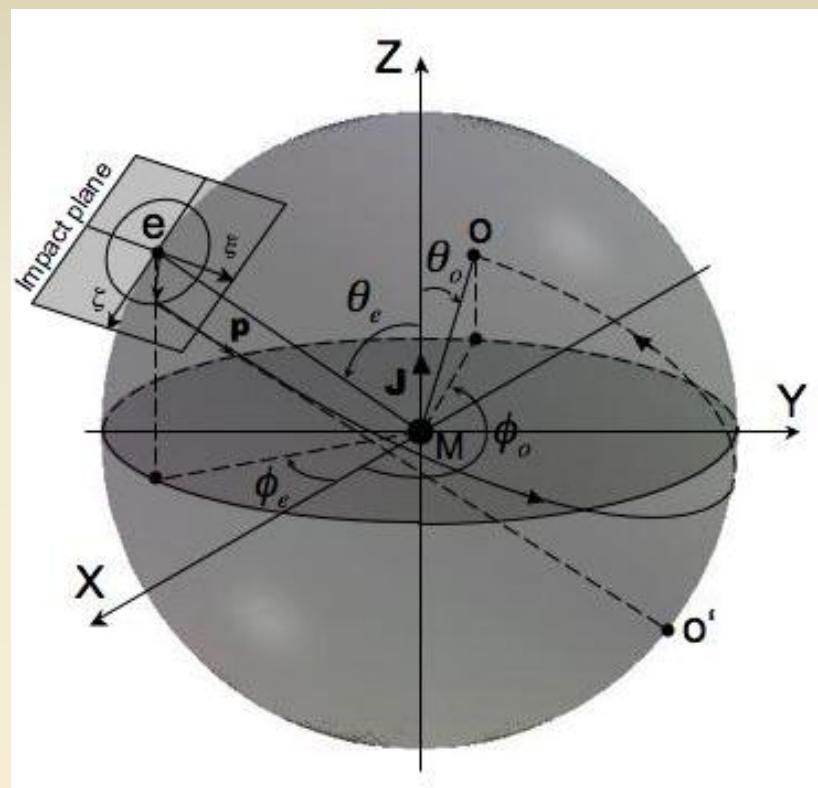
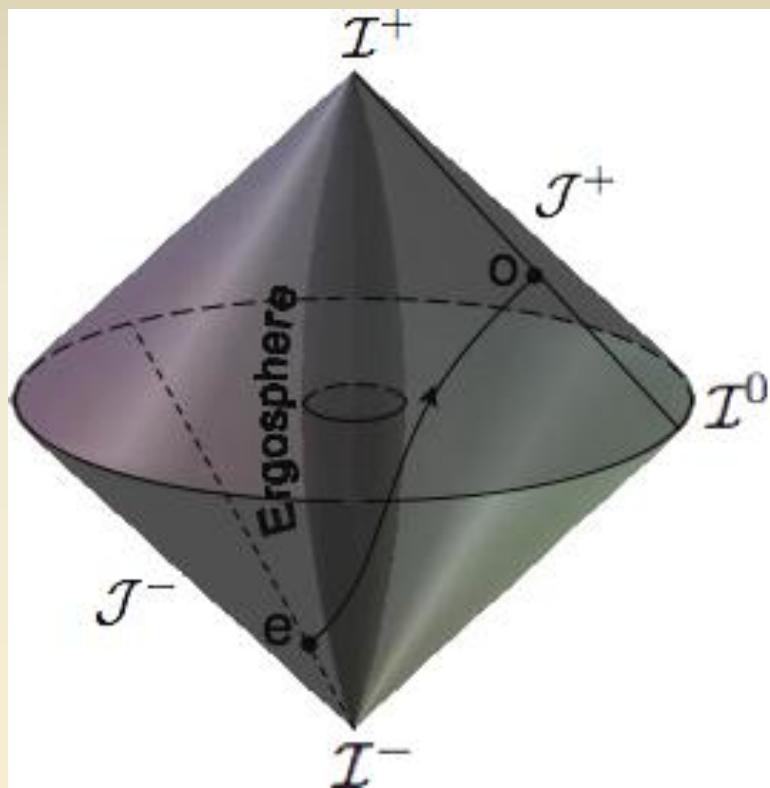
4D form of the effective equations (in the ultrastationary metric)

$$\frac{D^2 x^\mu}{d\lambda^2} = \varepsilon F^\mu{}_\nu \frac{Dx^\nu}{d\lambda}$$

Null curves are solutions of these equations. For $\varepsilon=0$, null geodesics.

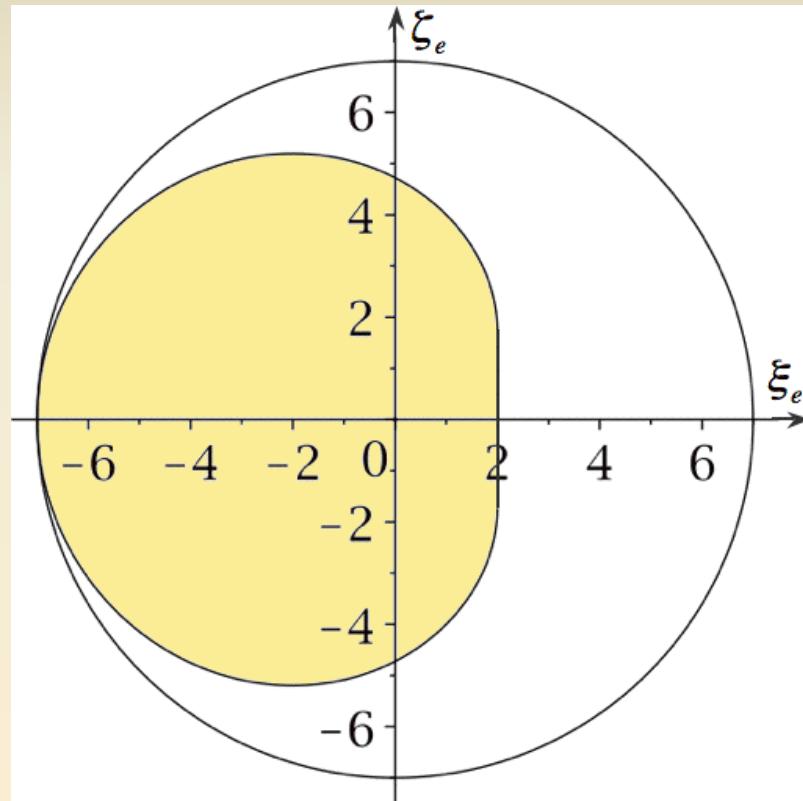
Polarized Photon Scattering in Kerr ST

- (i) How does the photon bending angle depend on its polarization?
- (ii) How does the position of the image of a photon arriving to an observer depend on its polarization?
- (iii) How does the arrival time of such photons depend on their polarization?

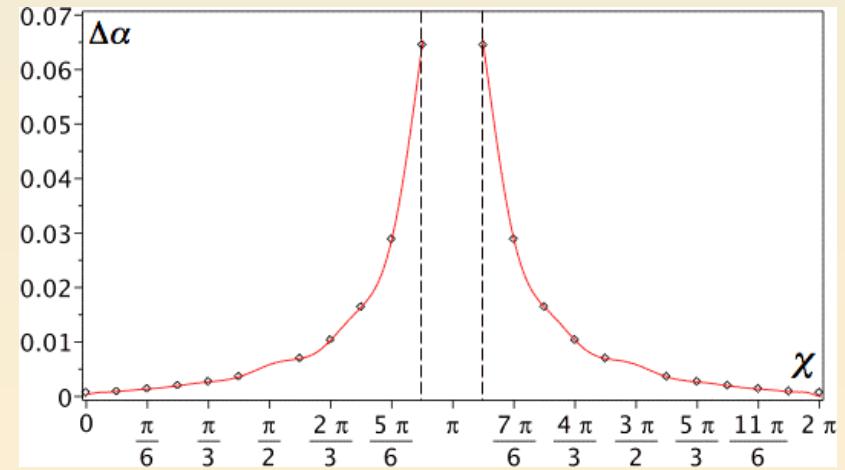
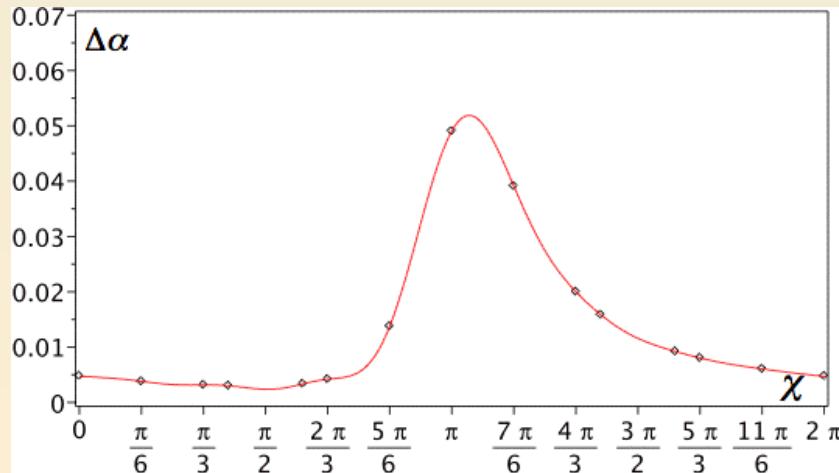
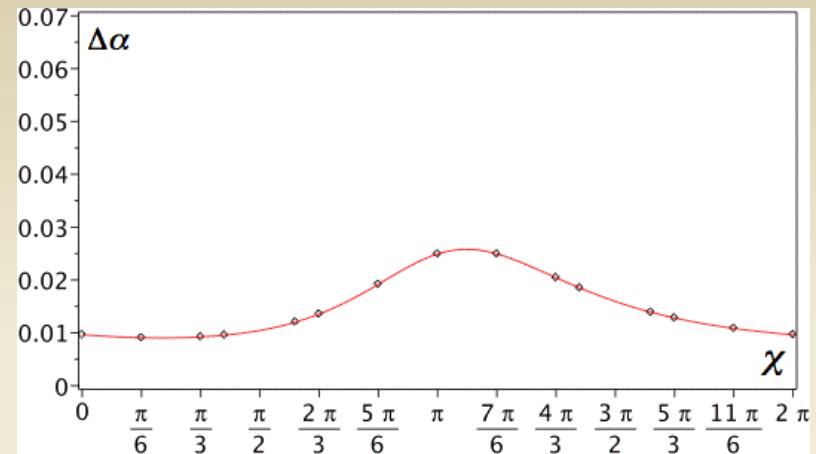
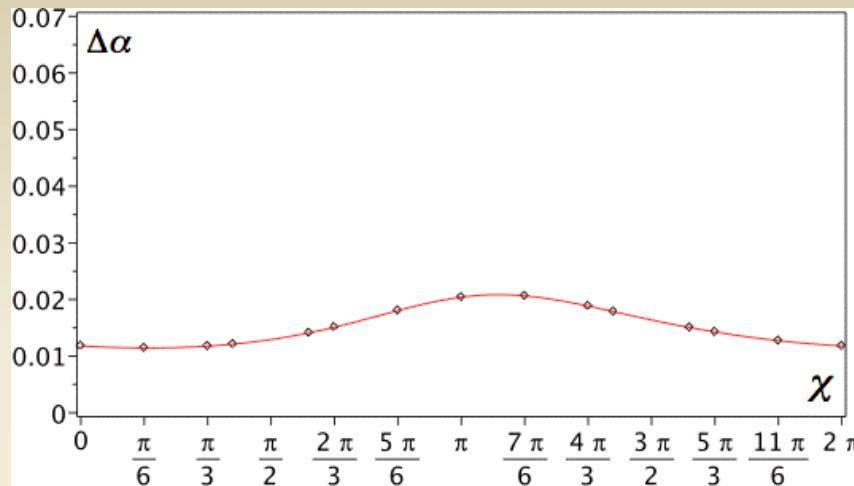


All calculations are for an extremal Kerr BH ($M=a=1$)

Capture Domain (equatorial plane)

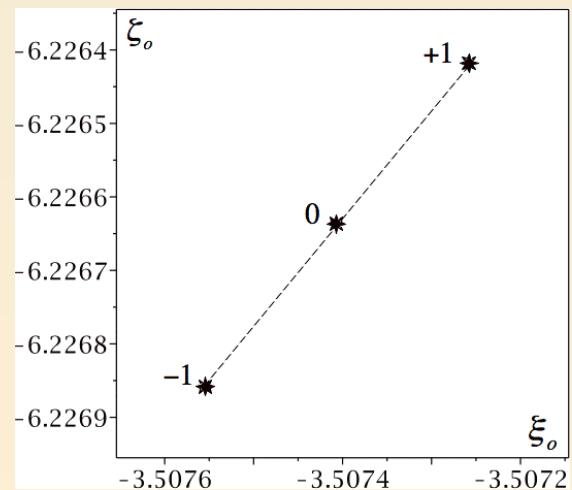
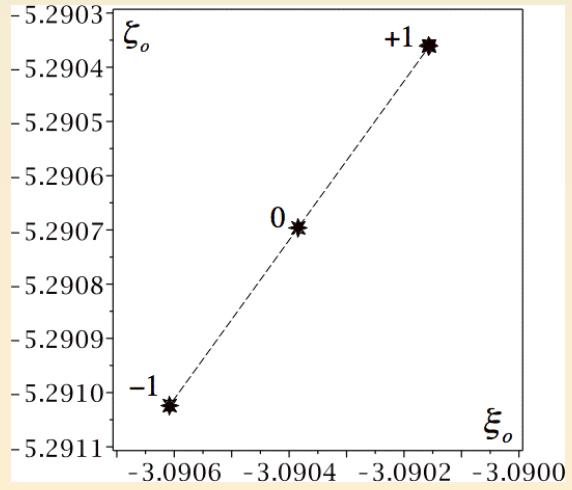
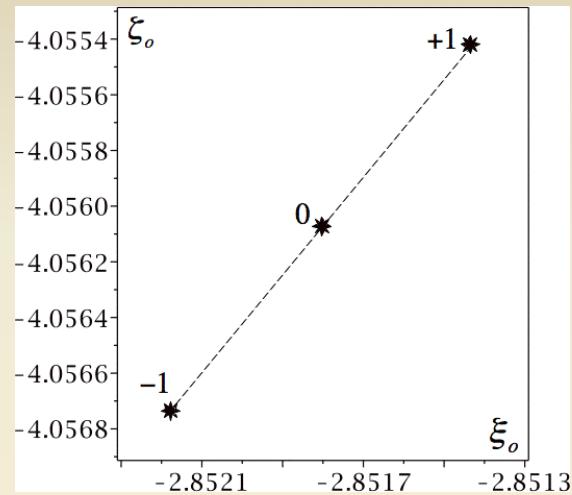
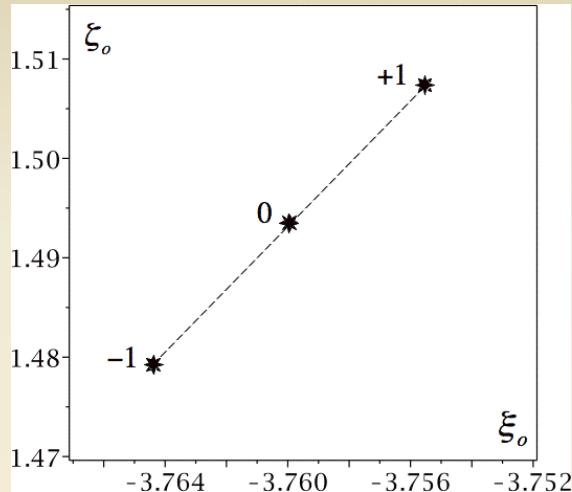


Shift in the bending angle: $\alpha = \Delta(\text{angle}) / \varepsilon$



$$a = M = 1, \cos \theta = \pi/10, \pi/6, \pi/3, \pi/2, \quad |\vec{L}|/(\omega M) = 7.0$$

Image splitting



Time Delay

Effect of the second order in ε ;

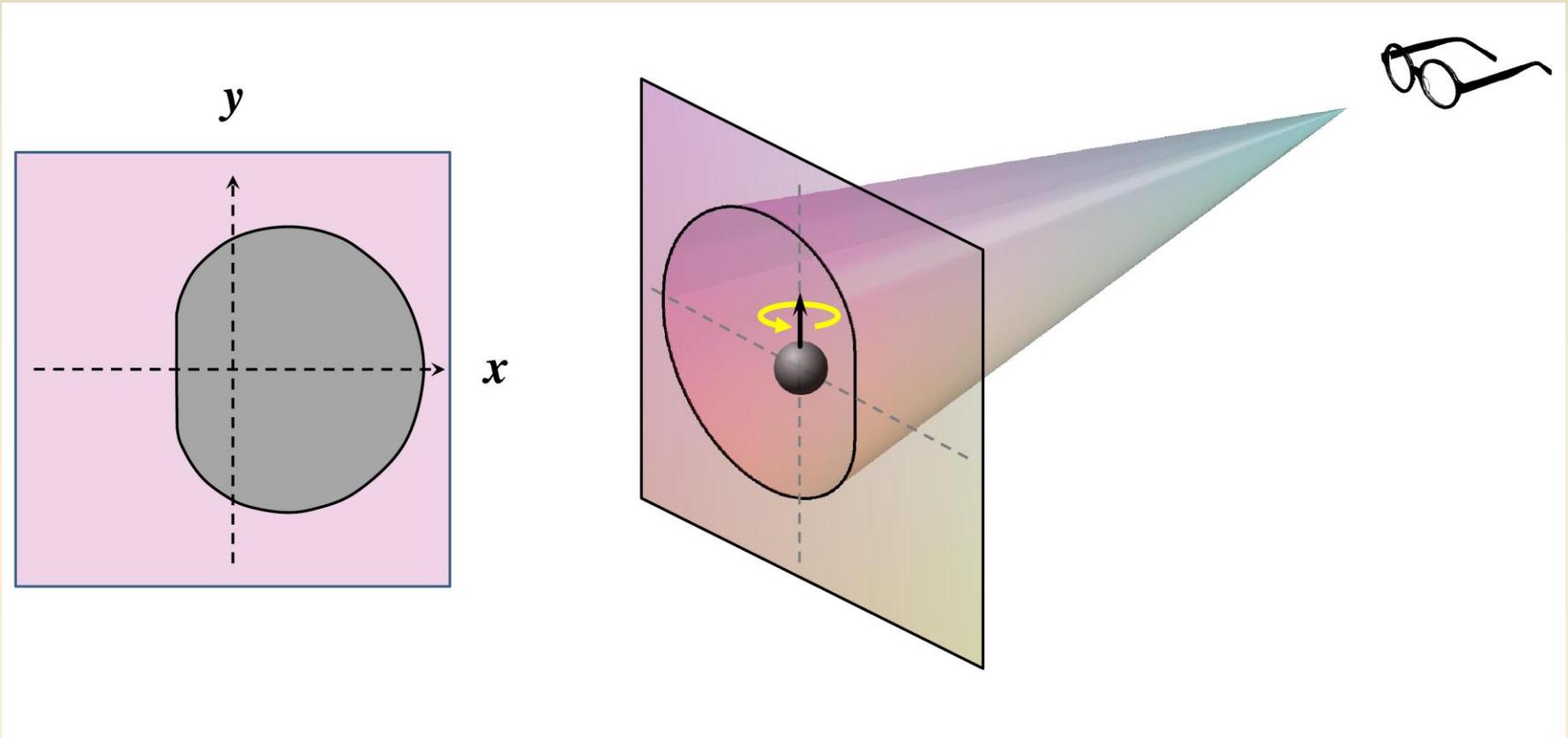
Fermat principle in gravitational field

[Landau & Lifshits "Classical Field Theory";

Brill in "Relativity, Astrophysics and Cosmology,

1973]

Rainbow effect for BH shadow



- (1) Frequency dependence of the shadow position for circular polarized light;
- (2) For given frequency shadow position depends on the polarization

SUMMARY

- (1) Standard GO picture: In the Kerr ST a linearly polarized photon moves a null geodesic and its polarization vector is parallel propagated.
- (2) Modified GO picture: Linear polarized photon beam splits into two circular polarized beams.
- (3) Right and left polarized photons have different trajectories.
- (4) In a stationary ST their motion can be obtained by introducing frequency dependent effective metric.
- (5) Effects: Shift in bending angle, shift of images, time delay.