

Fun with twistor-space geometries: from SYM to ABJM & symbology of Feynman integrals

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Amplitudes in QFT have continued offering us amazing surprises for decades, especially since twistor-string revolution [Witten 03]

A lot inspired by rethinking amplitudes using **twistors variables** [Penrose,...], e.g. BCF(W), CSW *etc.*; more recently positive Grassmannian & the amplituhedron [Arkani-Hamed et al] for all-loop integrands in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM & beyond

Two recent adventures with **geometries** in (momentum-) twistor space:

- An unexpected relation between ($n = 4$) amplituhedron & all-loop integrands in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM [Arkani-Hamed, Trnka 13] & ABJM theory & enormous reduction of *negative geometries* [Arkani-Hamed, Henn, Trnka 21; Chicherin's talk]
- A new, powerful method for the symbolology for Feynman integrals (in dim. reg.): intersecting lines in twistor space for leading singularities (for DCI integrals [Q. Yang 22]) \implies explains *cluster algebras* [Chicherin et al 20, He et al 21]

Rich mathematical structures revealed by **amplituhedron** [c.f. talks by Ferro, Heslop...]

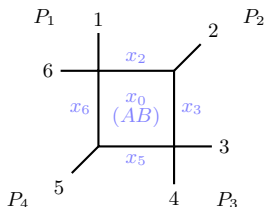
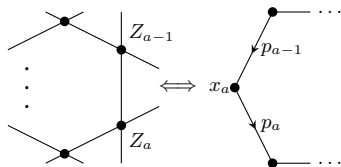
- higher-loop less explored (even for $n = 4$): simplified models \rightarrow solve integrands, integrals & even non-perturbatively?
- beyond $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM: all-loop integrands in other theories? [Nima's talk]
- ABJM: simplest guess *i.e.* **dim. reduced amplituhedron** works (for $n = 4$)!

MPL symbology [Goncharov et al...] (cluster algebras [Golden et al]...) & bootstrap for $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM ($n = 6, 7$) [Dixon et al; Drummond et al...] \rightarrow Feynman integrals

- twistors good for parametrizing/rationalizing $D = 4$ kinematics & symbol letters: non-DCI, external masses, non-planar
- (extended) cluster algebras for some all-loop, DCI integrals; deep connections with tropical Gr (also for $n \geq 8$) [Drummond et al; Arkani-Hamed et al;...]
- $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ integrals? symbology (including LS) from **twistor geometries** \rightarrow more structures in canonical differential eqs (for UT basis)? [Henn; ...]

Momentum twistors [Hodges]: “light rays” of dual spacetime, inspired by duality of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM planar amplitudes with Wilson loops [Alday et al; Brandhuber et al; ...]

- $Z^I = (\lambda^\alpha, \mu^{\dot{\alpha}} := x^{\alpha, \dot{\alpha}} \lambda_\alpha)$: manifest **dual conformal symmetry** [Drummond et al]
- **null polygon**: $\lambda_a \tilde{\lambda}_a = p_a = x_{a+1} - x_a \leftrightarrow \{Z_1, \dots, Z_n\}$ for n edges;
 $x_a := (Z_{a-1}, Z_a)$ is a line in twistor space



- massive momentum = 2 massless ones: 2me box ($P_1^2, P_3^2 \neq 0$) depends on 4 lines x_2, x_3, x_5, x_6 , e.g. $P_1^2 = \frac{\langle 5612 \rangle}{\langle 56I_\infty \rangle \langle 12I_\infty \rangle}$
- (dual) loop momentum $x_0 \leftrightarrow$ a line (AB) in twistor space

Part I: Reduced amplituhedron for ABJM

The n -point L -loop amplituhedron: $Z_{a=1, \dots, n}$ for external kinematics and $(AB)_{i=1, \dots, L}$ for loop momenta

For $n = 4$ (only $k = 0$): a $4L$ -dim geometry in $(AB)_i$ space (Z 's fixed):

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (AB)_i 12 \rangle &> 0, & \langle (AB)_i 23 \rangle &> 0, & \langle (AB)_i 34 \rangle &> 0, & \langle (AB)_i 14 \rangle &> 0, \\ \langle (AB)_i 13 \rangle &< 0, & \langle (AB)_i 24 \rangle &< 0 \end{aligned}$$

as well as **mutual positivity**: $\langle (AB)_i (AB)_j \rangle > 0$ [Arkani-Hamed, Trnka 13]

External & loop momenta in $D = 3$: twistor-space lines with **symplectic conditions** (in momentum space: $\lambda = \tilde{\lambda}$) [Elvang et al 14]:

$$\Omega_{IJ} Z_a^I Z_{a+1}^J = \Omega_{IJ} A_i^I B_i^J = 0, \quad \text{with } \Omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \epsilon_{2 \times 2} \\ \epsilon_{2 \times 2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$(a = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $i = 1, \dots, L) \rightarrow$ **reduced amplituhedron**

Focusing on $n = 4$: a $3L$ -dim geometry in constrained $(AB)_i$ for $D = 3$

With parametrization $Z_{A_i} = Z_1 + x_i Z_2 - w_i Z_4$, $Z_{B_i} = y_i Z_2 + Z_3 + z_i Z_4$
 \implies def. of $n = 4$ reduced amplituhedron:

$$\begin{aligned} \forall i : x_i, y_i, z_i, w_i > 0, \quad x_i z_i + y_i w_i = 1, \\ \forall i, j : (x_i - x_j)(z_i - z_j) + (y_i - y_j)(w_i - w_j) < 0 \end{aligned}$$

First look at $L = 1$: the *canonical form* in $D = 4 =$ box integral

$$\Omega_1^{(D=4)} = \frac{dx \, dy \, dz \, dw}{x \, y \, z \, w} = \frac{\langle ABd^2 A \rangle \langle ABd^2 B \rangle \langle 1234 \rangle^2}{\langle AB12 \rangle \langle AB23 \rangle \langle AB34 \rangle \langle AB14 \rangle}$$

Dim. reduction $\rightarrow D = 3$ box with ϵ num. = one-loop ABJM integrand [Chen, Huang 11]:

$$\Omega_1 = \frac{dx \, dy \, dz \, dw}{x \, y \, z \, w} \delta(xz + yw - 1) = \frac{d^3(AB) \langle 1234 \rangle^{3/2} (\langle AB13 \rangle \langle AB24 \rangle)^{1/2}}{\langle AB12 \rangle \langle AB23 \rangle \langle AB34 \rangle \langle AB14 \rangle}$$



$$= \int d^3 x_5 \frac{\epsilon(5, 1, 2, 3, 4)}{x_{15}^2 x_{25}^2 x_{35}^2 x_{45}^2},$$

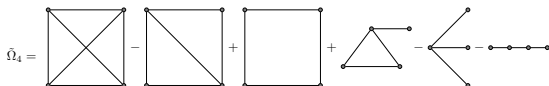
$$\epsilon(i, j, k, l, m) \equiv \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\tau} x_i^\mu x_j^\nu x_k^\rho x_l^\sigma x_m^\tau$$

Decomposition into sum of negative geometries: 

The sum of connected graphs gives logarithm of amplitudes [Arkani-Hamed et al], e.g.

$$\Omega_2 = - \underbrace{\text{---} \cdot \cdot}_{\tilde{\Omega}_2} + \cdot \cdot$$

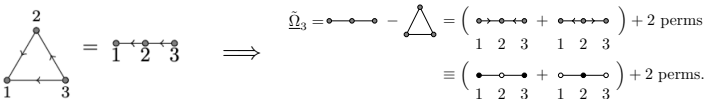
$$\Omega_3 = \underbrace{\text{---} \cdot \cdot \cdot - \underbrace{\triangle}_{\tilde{\Omega}_3}}_{\tilde{\Omega}_3} + \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot$$

$$\tilde{\Omega}_4 = \square_{\text{diag1}} - \square_{\text{diag2}} + \square_{\text{diag3}} + \triangle_{\text{diag4}} - \text{---} \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot$$


Huge simplifications when reduced to $D = 3$: only **bipartite graphs** (with “arrows”) survive! e.g. $\tilde{\Omega}_3$ only chain (no triangle), $\tilde{\Omega}_4$ only trees & the box

Transitive reduction: $D = 3$ mutual negativity \implies (time) ordering, no closed loop \rightarrow all non-bipartite (directed) graphs cancel (theorem [He et al 22]);

$$\sum_{\mathcal{G}} (-)^E \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{G}} \xrightarrow[\text{order}]{\text{time}} \sum_{\text{directed acyclic } G} (-)^E \mathcal{A}_G \xrightarrow[\text{red.}]{\text{trans.}} \sum_{\text{bipartite } g} (-)^E \mathcal{A}_g$$

e.g. 

A tiny fraction ($\rightarrow 0$ as $L \rightarrow \infty$) of graphs remain (relatively simple ones):

L	top. of G	top. of g	directed acyclic graphs	bipartite g
2	1	1	2	1
3	2	1	18	3
4	6	3	446	19
5	21	5	26430	195
6	112	17	3596762	3031
7	853	44	1111506858	67263

singularity structure: black (white) node has only poles $y_i w_i$ ($x_i z_i = 1 - y_i w_i$) !

Shorthand notation: e.g. $\underline{\Omega}_1 = \frac{c\epsilon_1}{s_1 t_1}$ (strip off $d^3\ell$)

$$\ell_i \equiv (AB)_i, \quad c \equiv \langle 1234 \rangle, \quad \epsilon_i \equiv (c \langle \ell_i 13 \rangle \langle \ell_i 24 \rangle)^{1/2};$$

$$s_i \equiv \langle \ell_i 12 \rangle \langle \ell_i 34 \rangle \sim y_i w_i, \quad t_i \equiv \langle \ell_i 23 \rangle \langle \ell_i 14 \rangle \sim z_i w_i, \quad D_{ij} \equiv -\langle \ell_i \ell_j \rangle.$$

Canonical forms for bipartite geometries: fix numerators given the poles

$$\begin{array}{ccc} i & i & j \\ \bullet & \bullet & \circ \\ \frac{1}{s_i} & \frac{1}{D_{ij}} & \frac{1}{t_j} \end{array}$$

The log of amps for $L = 2, 3$: only (non-planar) ladders!

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Omega}_2 &= \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} = \frac{2c^2}{D_{12}} \left(\frac{1}{s_1 t_2} + \frac{1}{t_1 s_2} \right) \\ &= -2 \frac{\langle 1234 \rangle^2}{\langle \ell_1 12 \rangle \langle \ell_1 34 \rangle \langle \ell_1 \ell_2 \rangle \langle \ell_2 23 \rangle \langle \ell_2 14 \rangle} + (\ell_1 \leftrightarrow \ell_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Omega}_3 &= \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \text{---} \\ \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \text{---} \\ \circ \end{array} \\ &= \frac{4c^2 \epsilon_2}{s_1 t_2 s_3 D_{12} D_{23}} + (s \leftrightarrow t) + 2 \text{ perms.}, \end{aligned}$$

nicely confirm $n = 4$ 3-loop ABJM integrand conjectured in [\[Bianchi et al 11\]](#)

$L = 4$: only chain, star, box graphs $\implies \tilde{\Omega}_4 = -C - S + B$:

$$C = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \bullet & \circ & \bullet & \circ \\ \hline 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \circ & \bullet & \circ & \bullet \end{array} \right) + 11 \text{ perms}$$

$$S = \left(\begin{array}{c} \circ 2 \\ \circ 3 \\ \circ 4 \\ \bullet 1 \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \bullet 2 \\ \bullet 3 \\ \bullet 4 \\ \circ 1 \end{array} \right) + 3 \text{ perms}$$

$$B = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \circ 2 & \circ 3 \\ \bullet 1 & \bullet 4 \\ \hline \bullet 1 & \bullet 4 \\ \circ 2 & \circ 3 \end{array} + \begin{array}{cc} \bullet 2 & \bullet 3 \\ \circ 1 & \circ 4 \\ \hline \circ 1 & \circ 4 \\ \bullet 2 & \bullet 3 \end{array} \right) + 2 \text{ perms}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \bullet & \circ & \bullet & \circ \end{array} = 8c^2 \frac{\epsilon_2 \epsilon_3}{D_{12} D_{23} D_{34} s_1 t_2 s_3 t_4}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \circ 2 \\ \circ 3 \\ \circ 4 \\ \bullet 1 \end{array} = 8c^3 \frac{t_1}{D_{12} D_{13} D_{14} s_1 t_2 t_3 t_4}$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \circ 2 & \circ 3 \\ \bullet 1 & \bullet 4 \\ \hline \bullet 1 & \bullet 4 \\ \circ 2 & \circ 3 \end{array} = 4 \frac{4\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 \epsilon_3 \epsilon_4 - c(\epsilon_1 \epsilon_3 N_{24}^t + \epsilon_2 \epsilon_4 N_{13}^s) - c^2 N_{1,2,3,4}^{\text{cyc}}}{D_{12} D_{23} D_{34} D_{41} s_1 t_2 s_3 t_4}$$

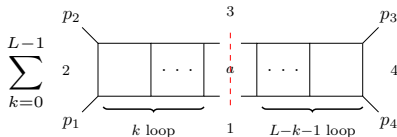
$$N_{ij}^s := \langle \ell_i 12 \rangle \langle \ell_j 34 \rangle + \langle \ell_j 12 \rangle \langle \ell_i 34 \rangle$$

$$N_{ij}^t := \langle \ell_i 14 \rangle \langle \ell_j 23 \rangle + \langle \ell_j 14 \rangle \langle \ell_i 23 \rangle$$

$$N_{i,j,k,l}^{\text{cyc}} := \langle \ell_i 12 \rangle \langle \ell_j 34 \rangle \langle \ell_k 12 \rangle \langle \ell_l 34 \rangle + \text{cyc}(1, 2, 3, 4)$$

Our construction makes symmetries manifest, e.g. parity: even/odd ϵ for even/odd L ; importantly, various **all-loop ABJM cuts** derived from geometry!

- Soft cut: e.g. $\langle \ell_i 12 \rangle = \langle \ell_i 23 \rangle = \langle \ell_i 34 \rangle = 0$ or $y_i = z_i = w_i = 0 \implies$ manifest mutual positivity $D_{i,j} > 0$ for any j , residue = $(L-1)$ -loop
- Vanishing cut: any cut isolating odd-point amplitude, e.g. $w_i = w_j = D_{i,j} = 0$ (triple cut) $\implies D_{i,j} \leq 0$, the residue vanishes; similarly, five-point cut $w_i = y_j = D_{i,j} = 0$ vanishes
- Double (unitarity) cut: $\langle \ell 14 \rangle = \langle \ell 23 \rangle = 0$

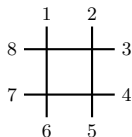


Explicitly checked up to $L = 5$. Can we prove it from the geometry?

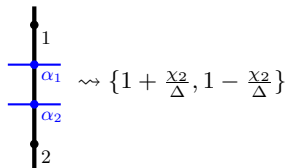
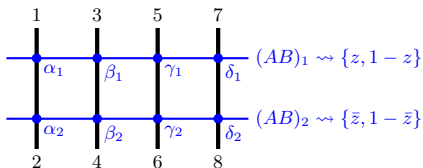
Part II: Symbology of Feynman integrals from twistor geometries

Cutting propagators \leftrightarrow intersecting lines in twistor space: [Schubert problems](#)

One-loop boxes: 2 solutions for quadruple cut; compute **cross-ratios** on any line with ≥ 4 points, e.g. DCI four-mass box: **leading singularity (LS)** $\propto \Delta^{-1}$:



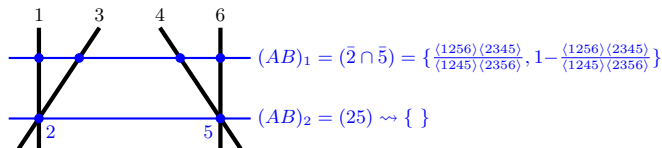
$$\int \frac{d^4 A d^4 B}{\text{vol } GL(2) \langle AB | \infty \rangle^4} \frac{\langle \lambda_A \lambda_B \rangle^4 \langle \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \rangle \langle \lambda_3 \lambda_4 \rangle \langle \lambda_5 \lambda_6 \rangle \langle \lambda_7 \lambda_8 \rangle}{\langle AB12 \rangle \langle AB34 \rangle \langle AB56 \rangle \langle AB78 \rangle}$$



$$z\bar{z} = \mathbf{u} = \frac{\langle 1234 \rangle \langle 5678 \rangle}{\langle 1256 \rangle \langle 3478 \rangle}, \quad (1-z)(1-\bar{z}) = \mathbf{v} = \frac{\langle 1278 \rangle \langle 3456 \rangle}{\langle 1256 \rangle \langle 3478 \rangle}, \quad \Delta = \sqrt{(1-\mathbf{u}-\mathbf{v})^2 - 4\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}}$$

In $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM: generate A_3, E_6 DCI alphabets for $n = 6, 7$ [Nima's talk 20]; $9 + 9$ algebraic & ~ 200 rational letters for $n = 8$; numerous DCI integrals [Q. Yang 22]

2me box with (12), (23), (45), (56): reproduce DCI letters of finite-part



$$\begin{pmatrix} (12) \cap \bar{5} \\ (56) \cap \bar{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (12) \cap \bar{5} & (23) \cap \bar{5} & (45) \cap \bar{2} & (56) \cap \bar{2} \\ 1 & (2356) & -(1235) & 0 \\ 0 & -(2456) & \langle 1245 \rangle & 1 \end{pmatrix} \implies \frac{(14)(23)}{(13)(24)} = \frac{\langle 1256 \rangle \langle 2345 \rangle}{\langle 1245 \rangle \langle 2356 \rangle} = 1 - \frac{(12)(34)}{(13)(24)}$$

For m points on a line $\rightarrow \frac{m(m-3)}{2}$ cross-ratios, forming A_{m-3} with u eqs [c.f. ABHY 18]:

$$\mathcal{U} = \frac{(ab)(cd)}{(ac)(bd)}, \quad \mathcal{V} = \frac{(ad)(bc)}{(ac)(bd)}, \quad \mathcal{U} + \mathcal{V} = 1$$

for any four points $\{a, b, c, d\} \rightarrow A_1 \subset A_{m-3}$ sub-algebra; equivalently $\log \mathcal{U}$ reads

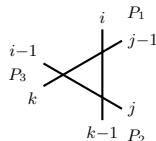
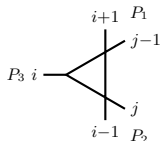
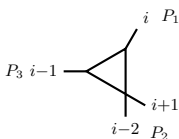
$$L([ad], [bc]) := \int_a^d d \log \frac{(xc)}{(xb)} = L([bc], [ad]), \quad L([ab], [cd]) = L([cd], [ab]) = \log \mathcal{V}$$

Replace the $d \log$ form by $\Omega = \frac{dx}{y}$ on elliptic curve of e.g. $n = 10$ double-box [Bourjaily et al] \implies “elliptic symbol letters” [Q. Yang, C. Zhang; c.f. Wilhelm’s talk]

Schubert problems for Feynman integrals in dim. reg.

Feynman integrals in $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ depend on I_∞ (infinity line), so do general integrals in $D = 4$, e.g. triangles \rightarrow building blocks for 1-loop integrals

$$\int \frac{d^4 A d^4 B}{\text{vol } GL(2)} \frac{\langle AB I_\infty \rangle^3 \langle i-1 i I_\infty \rangle \langle j-1 j I_\infty \rangle \langle k-1 k I_\infty \rangle}{\langle AB i-1 i \rangle \langle AB j-1 j \rangle \langle AB k-1 k \rangle}$$



$$\begin{cases} [i-2i-1i] := I_\infty \cap \overline{i-1} \\ [i-1ii+1] := I_\infty \cap \overline{i} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} [ij-1j] \\ [i-1ii+1] \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha_\pm(ijk) = P + Q \frac{\dots + \Delta_{ijk}}{\dots}$$

No cross-ratios, since no dimensionless var.

$$(AB)_1 \rightsquigarrow \left\{ \frac{m_1^2}{m_2^2}, 1 - \frac{m_1^2}{m_2^2} \right\}$$

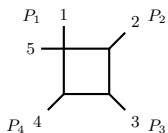
$$(AB)_1 \rightsquigarrow \{z, 1-z\}$$

$$(AB)_2 \rightsquigarrow \{ \}$$

$$(AB)_2 \rightsquigarrow \{\bar{z}, 1-\bar{z}\}$$

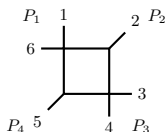
Proposal: symbol letters from intersections on lines of (non-DCI) Schubert problems, e.g. cutting 4 factors including $\langle AB I_\infty \rangle \rightarrow$ intersections on I_∞

One-loop boxes



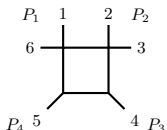
$$I_\infty \quad A_2$$

$$\{m_1^2, s, t, m_1^2 - s - t, m_1^2 - s, m_1^2 - t\}$$



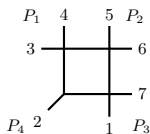
$$I_\infty \quad A_3$$

$$\{m_1^2, m_3^2, s, t, m_1^2 - s, m_3^2 - s, m_1^2 - t, m_3^2 - t, m_1^2 + m_3^2 - s - t, m_1^2 m_3^2 - st\}$$



$$I_\infty \quad A_3 \cup A_1 \subset C_3$$

$$\{s, t, m_1^2, m_2^2, m_1^2 - t, m_2^2 - t, \Delta_{2,4,6}, \frac{z}{2}, \frac{1-z}{1-z}, \frac{sz(1-z)+t}{s\bar{z}(1-z)+t}\}$$

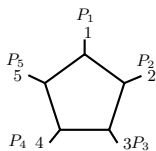


$$I_\infty \quad A_4 \cup (A_1)^3 \subset C_4$$

$$\{m_1^2, m_2^2, m_3^2, m_4^2, s, t, m_1^2 - s, m_2^2 - s, m_3^2 - s, m_4^2 - s, m_1^2 - t, m_2^2 - t, m_3^2 - t, m_4^2 - t, m_1^2 + m_2^2 - s - t, m_1^2 + m_3^2 - s - t, m_1^2 + m_4^2 - s - t, m_2^2 + m_3^2 - s - t, m_2^2 + m_4^2 - s - t, m_3^2 + m_4^2 - s - t, m_1^2 m_2^2 - m_1^2 t - m_2^2 t + st + t^2\}$$

alphabets see also [Chicherin, Henn, Papathanasiou 21]

Pentagons sufficient for one-loop integrals, e.g. 0-mass case (union of 1-mass box cases + **parity-odd letters** from mixing different boxes)

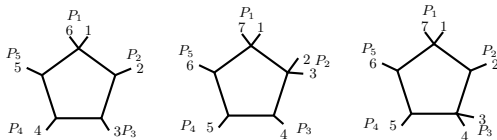


$$\text{tr}_5 = 4i\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} P_1^\mu P_2^\nu P_3^\rho P_4^\sigma = \sqrt{\det(2P_i \cdot P_j)} \xrightarrow{\text{parity}} -\text{tr}_5$$

10 points on I_∞ (only 4-dim) \implies 24 independent cross-ratios

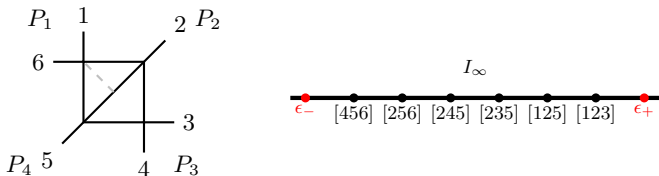
$$\text{parity-inv. subspace} \begin{cases} W_1 = s_{12}, W_{11} = s_{12} - s_{45}, W_{16} = s_{12} + s_{23} - s_{45}, \\ W_{26} = \frac{s_{12}s_{23} - s_{23}s_{34} + s_{34}s_{45} - s_{45}s_{51} - s_{51}s_{12} + \text{tr}_5}{s_{12}s_{23} - s_{23}s_{34} + s_{34}s_{45} - s_{45}s_{51} - s_{51}s_{12} - \text{tr}_5}, +\text{cyclic.} \end{cases}$$

\rightarrow correct alphabet except for tr_5 itself (LS of $D = 6$ pentagon)



Similarly one-loop pentagon with 1 and 2 masses: 29, 40 (2me) and 45 (2mh), agree with alphabets from DE (1 or 2 extra two-loop letters)

Equiv. to DCI ones with a point to I_∞ : e.g. 1m (2me) box kinematics $\simeq A_2(A_3)$ sub-algebra of $\text{Gr}(4, 7) \sim E_6$ ($\text{Gr}(4, 8)$) [w. Li, Yang 21]



- 2me box kinematics: only LS of slashed-box contributes new intersections on I_∞ ;
 $\text{minor}(\epsilon_+, \epsilon_-) \propto \Delta_{nc} = \sqrt{(s+t)^2 - 4m_1^2 m_3^2}$: new, LS square root;
- cross-ratios of the form $\frac{(X_1, \epsilon_+)(X_2, \epsilon_-)}{(X_1, \epsilon_-)(X_2, \epsilon_+)}$ \rightarrow algebraic letters with Δ_{nc} ;
 mix with 1-loop Schubert \rightarrow 3 (indep.) algebraic letters [Chicherin et al 18, Abreu et al 20]

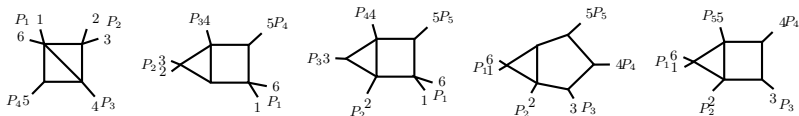
$$L_1 = \frac{s+t+\Delta_{nc}}{s+t-\Delta_{nc}}, \quad L_2 = \frac{s-t+\Delta_{nc}}{s-t-\Delta_{nc}}, \quad L_3 = \frac{-2m_1^2 + s+t+\Delta_{nc}}{-2m_1^2 + s+t-\Delta_{nc}}.$$

- 9 + 3 alphabet, known as extended A_3 , obtained in [w. Li, Yang 21]

Bootstrap $\ell = 2, 3$ (finite) integrals with ES/adjacency [Caron-Huot et al; Drummond et al]: exactly L_i are last entries (derivatives A_3 functions, “truncated” DE)

$$dI^{(\ell)} = \sum_{i=1}^3 F_i^{(2\ell-1)}(A_3) d \log L_i, \quad \text{for } \ell = 2, 3$$

1m pentagon: 4-pt $2m_e+2m_h$ subtopologies + genuine 5-pt integrals \implies all relevant (+ irrelevant) letters of DE (except for tr_5)



Such cross-ratios in twistor space generalize the notion of LS (a special case) by **mixing** different LS; hint for such cross-ratios in IBP & canonical DE?

Generate more two-loop alphabets e.g. for 3m box kinematics, agree with DE alphabet [Dlapa et al 21]; **4m alphabets** recently computed w. 74 MIs, 68 letters (11 LS square roots, 34 “mixed” algebraic letters etc.) [SH, Li, Ma, Wu, Yang, Zhang 22]

Possible to predict letters for e.g. 2m pentagon or even hexagon kinematics [c.f. Henn's talk] (lots of MIs, requires more works), but need selections

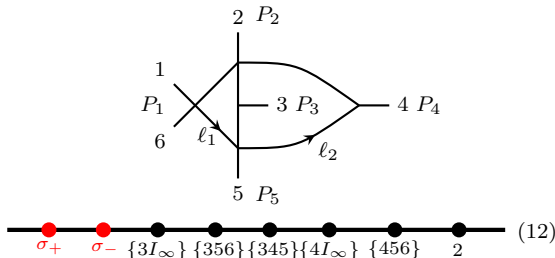
Easy to get different orderings, e.g. $3! = 6$ orderings of $A_2 \rightarrow C_2$ alphabet

[Chicherin et al; Dixon et al] $\rightarrow n = 3$ form factors, valid through $L = 8$ [c.f. Dixon's talk]

Non-planar integrals: inspired by [Bern et al 18...], possible to write LS using twistors;

e.g. cutting hexabox integrals with $\ell_1^2 = (y_1 - x_1)^2$, $\ell_2^2 = (y_2 - x_5)^2$, ..., $(y_1 - y_2)^2$
and $(y_1 - y_2 + x_{3,4})^2 \implies \langle AB12 \rangle = \dots = \langle CD45 \rangle = \langle ABCD \rangle = 0$

& $\langle ABI_\infty \rangle \langle CD \bar{3} \cap (3I_\infty) \rangle - (AB \leftrightarrow CD) = 0$



Inverse LS $\propto \Sigma_5^{(1)}$ [Abreu et al 21]: produce e.g. on (12) two new intersections; by mixing with one-loop points, $\frac{(\sigma_1, X_1)(\sigma_2, X_2)}{(\sigma_1, X_2)(\sigma_2, X_1)}$ give all 5 algebraic letters

- ABJM amplituhedron: higher loops? higher points (trees with orthogonal Gr. [w. Kuo, Zhang; Huang et al 21])? relations to **Wilson loops**?
- Integration $\rightarrow \Gamma_{\text{cusp}}$ [in progress]; **resum & non-perturbative info.**?
- Why such a relation? fixed by symmetry? integrability & AdS/CFT?
- A new method for symbology of Feynman integrals in $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$: applications to **precision frontier** (alphabet for $n = 6$ etc.)?
- “symbology” for functions **beyond MPL** [in progress] (twistor geometries useful for their elliptic curves & Calabi-Yau manifold [Vergu, Volk 20])
- Eventually derived from DE? relations with other methods: Landau analysis [Denen et al 16 ...], diagrammatic coaction [Abreu et al 17,...], etc.

Thank you for your attention!