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# Amplitudes, Geometry & Soft Theorems

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*Other talks today...*

**Amplitudes** → **Geometry**

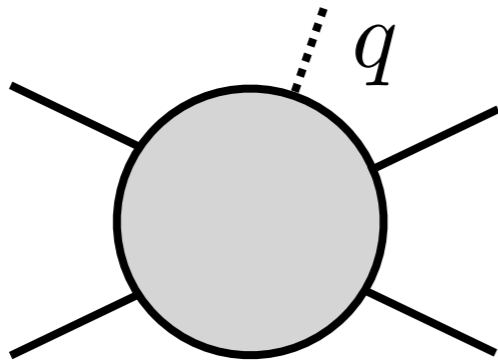
*My talk today...*

**Geometry** → **Amplitudes**

See also talk by Nathaniel Craig and references therein!

# Soft theorems

- The behavior of scattering amplitudes when the momentum of a particle is small is often universal



$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1} = \mathcal{S} A_n$$

- Earliest example: Soft photon theorem [Low; Burnett, Kroll; Weinberg]

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1} = \sum_a \frac{1}{q \cdot p_a} \left[ \overset{\text{“leading”}}{\epsilon \cdot p_a} + \overset{\text{“subleading”}}{\epsilon \cdot J_a \cdot q} \right] A_n$$

similar for soft gluons, gravitons

- Adler zero: soft pion in  $\chi$ PT  $\lim_{q_\pi \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1} = 0$

# Motivation 1: two perspectives

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## *Symmetry*

“Soft theorems are a consequence of symmetry”

e.g. gauge (photons, gravitons),  
non-linearly realized (pions)

## *Effective field theory*

“Soft theorems are EFT of long-wavelength modes”

e.g. factorization, ultrasoft decoupling in SCET

## Which one is it?

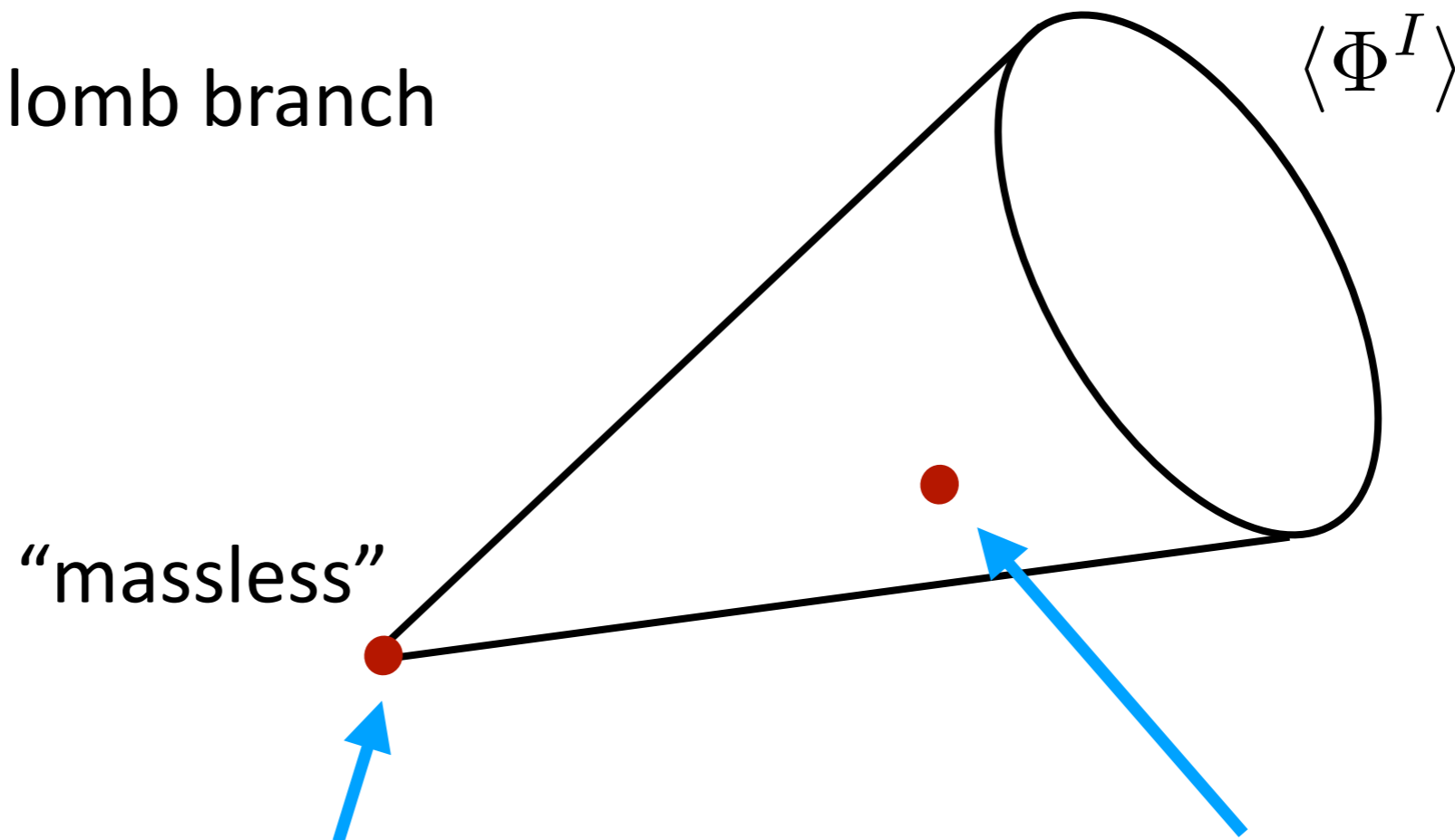
Third perspective: soft theorems related to asymptotic symmetries, memory, CCFT (will not discuss here)

See talks by Sabrina, Monica, Mark, Natalie!

# Motivation 2: moduli space

Many of our favorite theories have moduli spaces of vacua, parameterized by v.e.v of scalars

e.g., N=4 Coulomb branch



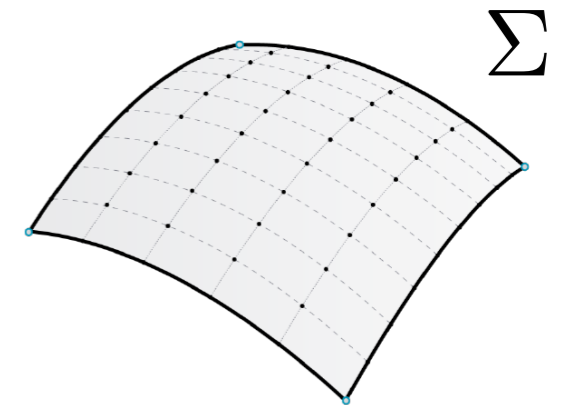
Are amplitudes here related to amplitudes here?

# Outline

- Amplitudes & geometry
- Geometric soft theorems

# Amplitudes & Geometry

# Geometry of fields



- Scalar fields take values in a target space manifold
- Lagrangian can be organized by derivative order

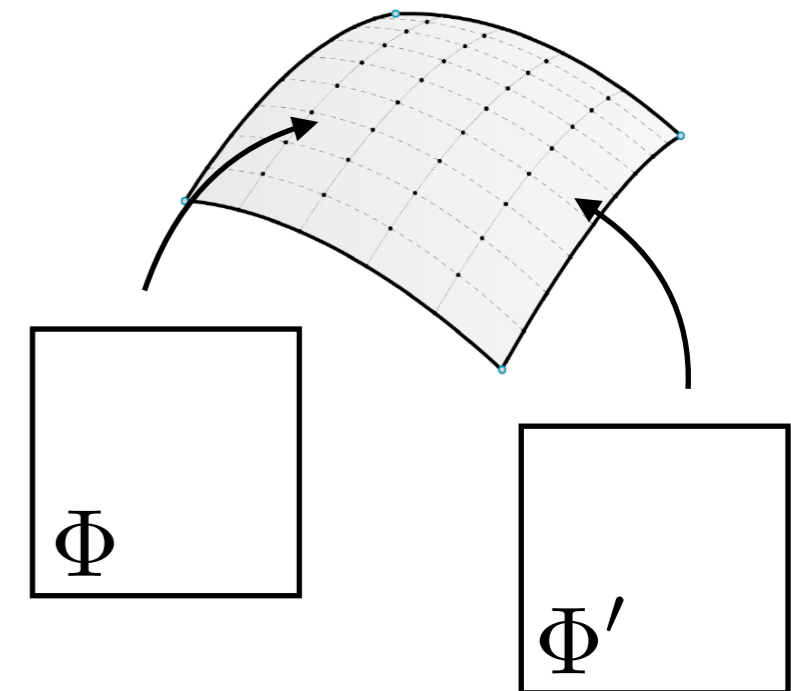
$$\frac{1}{2}g_{IJ}(\Phi)\partial_\mu\Phi^I\partial^\mu\Phi^J - V(\Phi) + \frac{1}{4}\lambda_{IJKL}(\Phi)\partial_\mu\Phi^I\partial^\mu\Phi^J\partial_\nu\Phi^K\partial^\nu\Phi^L + \dots,$$

- Field redefinitions = changes of coordinates  $\Phi^I = \Phi^I(\Phi')$

$$\partial_\mu\Phi^I \rightarrow \frac{\partial\Phi'^I}{\partial\Phi^J}\partial_\mu\Phi^J$$

- Most couplings are tensors in field space  
e.g. two-derivative = metric

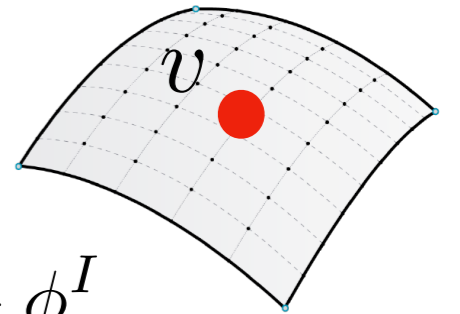
$$g_{IJ}(\Phi) \rightarrow \frac{\partial\Phi^K}{\partial\Phi'^I}\frac{\partial\Phi^L}{\partial\Phi'^J}g_{KL}(\Phi')$$



See Nathaniel's talk!



# Geometry of amplitudes



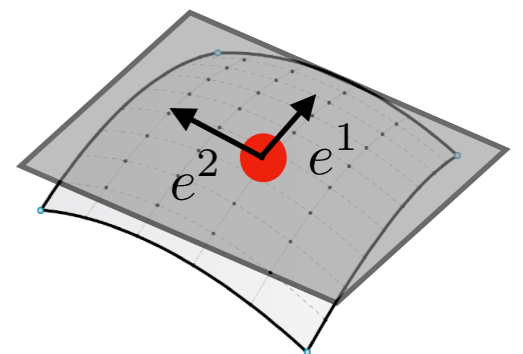
- Amplitudes defined by expanding around VEV  $\Phi^I = v^I + \phi^I$

- Do not depend on field basis  $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \epsilon f(\phi)$

$$S(\phi) \rightarrow S(\phi) + \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi} \epsilon f(\phi) + \dots$$

equations of motion

$$\propto p^2 - m^2 + \dots$$



but on a choice of frame  $\langle p^i | \phi^J(x) | 0 \rangle = e^{iJ}(v) e^{ip \cdot x}$

- Must be a function of geometric invariants! e.g. curvature of  $\Sigma$

[Volkov; Dixon, Kaplunovsky, Louis]

$$R^{ijkl}(v) \quad \nabla^m R^{ijkl}(v)$$

# Example

- Two-derivative theory  $\frac{1}{2}g_{IJ}(\Phi)\partial_\mu\Phi^I\partial^\mu\Phi^J$

$$A_4^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} = R^{i_1 i_3 i_2 i_4} s_{34} + R^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} s_{24},$$

$$A_5^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4 i_5} = \nabla^{i_3} R^{i_1 i_4 i_2 i_5} s_{45} + \nabla^{i_4} R^{i_1 i_3 i_2 i_5} s_{35} + \nabla^{i_4} R^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_5} s_{25} \\ + \nabla^{i_5} R^{i_1 i_3 i_2 i_4} s_{34} + \nabla^{i_5} R^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} (s_{24} + s_{45}),$$

$$A_6^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4 i_5 i_6} = -\frac{1}{72} (R^{i_1 i_3 i_2 j} s_{12} + R^{i_1 i_2 i_3 j} s_{13}) \frac{1}{s_{123}} (R_j^{i_6 i_5 i_4} s_{46} + R_j^{i_5 i_6 i_4} s_{45}) \\ + \frac{1}{108} (R^{i_1 i_3 i_2 j} (s_{12} - \frac{1}{6} s_{123}) + R^{i_1 i_2 i_3 j} (s_{13} - \frac{1}{6} s_{123})) (R_j^{i_6 i_5 i_4} + R_j^{i_5 i_6 i_4}) \\ + \frac{1}{90} R^{i_1 i_6 i_5 j} R_j^{i_2 i_3 i_4} s_{13} + \frac{1}{80} \nabla^{i_6} \nabla^{i_5} R^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} s_{13} + \text{perm.}$$

- Function of geometric invariants evaluated at the point/VEV  $\mathcal{V}$
- Valid for any two derivative theory, manifest FR invariance!

e.g. G/H NLSM, obscures symmetry

$$R^{ijkl} \sim f_m^{ij} f^{klm}$$

$$(\nabla)^n R^{ijkl} = 0$$

# Field/kinematic dependent geometry

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- Background instead of VEV  $v \rightarrow \bar{\phi}(p)$  or  $\bar{\phi}(x)$

c.f. Tim's talk

$$\partial_v \rightarrow \frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\phi}(p)}$$

- Lagrangian is a generating function  $\frac{1}{2} g_{IJ}(p_1, p_2; \Phi) p_1 \cdot p_2 \Phi^I(p_1) \Phi^J(p_2)$
- Geometry now depends on kinematics and background field

$$g_{ij} \rightarrow g_{ij}(p_1, p_2, \bar{\phi})$$

$$\partial_k g_{ij} \rightarrow \frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\phi}^k(p_3)} g_{ij}(p_1, p_2, \bar{\phi}) = \partial_k g_{ij}(p_1, p_2 | p_3) + f(\bar{\phi})$$

$$\partial_{i_3} \cdots \partial_{i_n} g_{i_1 i_2} = g(p_1, p_2 | p_3, \cdots, p_n) = \frac{1}{p_1 \cdot p_2} \times n - \text{point Feynman vertex}$$

# Geometric invariants

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- FR covariant off-shell  $R \sim \partial\Gamma + \Gamma\Gamma \sim \partial^2 g + \partial g \partial g$   
Even under derivative FR!  $\Phi^I = \Phi^I(\Phi', \partial\Phi', \dots)$
- Two-derivative theory: this reproduces usual invariants
- Potential  $R(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = V_{(3)}^2 \left( \frac{1}{t^2} - \frac{1}{u^2} \right) + \frac{V_{(4)}}{3} \left( \frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{u} \right) + f(\bar{\phi})$
- Dirac-Born-Infeld  $R(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = -\frac{\lambda_4}{4} (t - u)$
- Special Galileon  $R(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = \frac{\lambda_4}{12} (t^2 - u^2)$
- More generally  $R(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) \sim t^\rho - u^\rho$

Checks: symmetries, Bianchi identities, ..

$$R(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) + R(p_2, p_3, p_1, p_4) + R(p_3, p_1, p_2, p_4) = 0$$

# Amplitudes

- Just insert new invariants!

$$A_4^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} = R^{i_1 i_3 i_2 i_4} s_{34} + R^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} s_{24}$$

e.g. potential theory, DBI

$$A(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = -V_{(3)}^2 \left( \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{u} \right) - V_{(4)}$$



$$A(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = \frac{\lambda_4}{4} (s^2 + t^2 + u^2)$$



- Manifests FR invariance at the expense of locality
- Note: Amplitude only a function of geometric invariants on-shell, but invariants are FR invariant off-shell

# Theories with spin

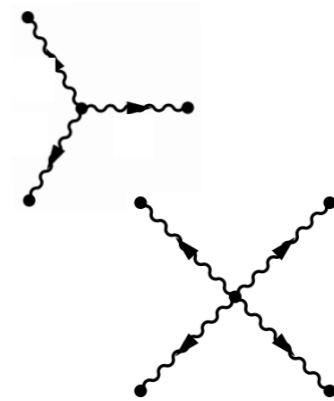
- It obviously generalizes to other bosonic theories (e.g. Yang-Mills)

$$g_{ab}^{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2)\delta(p_{12}) = -\delta_{ab}\eta^{\mu\nu}\delta(p_{12}) + \int_{p_3} g_{ab|c}^{\mu\nu|\rho}(p_1, p_2|p_3)\delta(p_{123})A_\rho^c(p_3) + \dots$$

in Feynman gauge

$$g_{ab|c}^{\mu\nu|\rho}(p_1, p_2|p_3) = -\frac{if_{abc}}{p_1 \cdot p_2} (p_3^\mu \eta^{\nu\rho} - p_3^\nu \eta^{\mu\rho})$$

$$g_{ab|cd}^{\mu\nu|\rho\sigma}(p_1, p_2|p_3, p_4) = \frac{f_{abe}f_{cd}^e}{2p_1 \cdot p_2} (\eta^{\mu\rho}\eta^{\nu\sigma} - \eta^{\mu\sigma}\eta^{\nu\rho})$$



- Geometric expansion still works. Manifests FR invariance at the expense of locality & gauge invariance

$$A_4^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} = R^{i_1 i_3 i_2 i_4} s_{34} + R^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} s_{24}$$



# Geometric soft theorems

[Cheung, Helset, JPM]

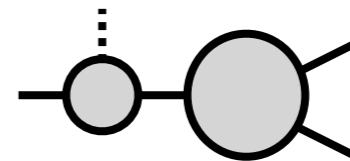
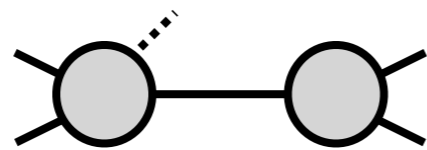
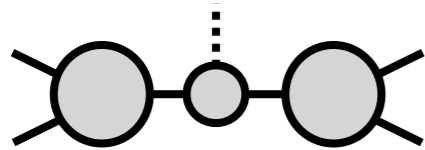
# New soft scalar theorem

- Intuition:

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1} \sim \left( \nabla + \frac{\nabla m^2}{p^2 - m^2} \right) A_n$$

“Derivative w.r.t VEV”

“on-shell connection”



$$\nabla \text{---} = \text{---} \text{---}$$

- Dotting the i's etc

leading



$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1}^{i_1 \dots i_n i} = \nabla^i A_n^{i_1 \dots i_n} + \sum_{a=1}^n \frac{\nabla^i V^{i_a}{}_{j_a}}{(p_a + q)^2 - m_{j_a}^2} \left( 1 + q^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial p_a^\mu} \right) A_n^{i_1 \dots j_a \dots i_n}$$

subleading



# Examples

- Two-derivative theory

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- Quartic theory

$$\begin{aligned} A_{4,\lambda}^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} &= \frac{1}{2} s_{12} s_{34} \lambda^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} + \frac{1}{2} s_{13} s_{24} \lambda^{i_1 i_3 i_2 i_4} + \frac{1}{2} s_{23} s_{14} \lambda^{i_2 i_3 i_1 i_4}, \\ A_{5,\lambda}^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4 i_5} &= \frac{1}{2} s_{12} s_{34} \nabla^{i_5} \lambda^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} + \frac{1}{2} s_{13} s_{24} \nabla^{i_5} \lambda^{i_1 i_3 i_2 i_4} + \frac{1}{2} s_{23} s_{14} \nabla^{i_5} \lambda^{i_2 i_3 i_1 i_4} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} s_{23} s_{45} \nabla^{i_1} \lambda^{i_2 i_3 i_4 i_5} + \frac{1}{2} s_{24} s_{35} \nabla^{i_1} \lambda^{i_2 i_4 i_3 i_5} + \frac{1}{2} s_{34} s_{25} \nabla^{i_1} \lambda^{i_3 i_4 i_2 i_5} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} s_{13} s_{45} \nabla^{i_2} \lambda^{i_1 i_3 i_4 i_5} + \frac{1}{2} s_{14} s_{35} \nabla^{i_2} \lambda^{i_1 i_4 i_3 i_5} + \frac{1}{2} s_{34} s_{15} \nabla^{i_2} \lambda^{i_3 i_4 i_1 i_5} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} s_{12} s_{45} \nabla^{i_3} \lambda^{i_1 i_2 i_4 i_5} + \frac{1}{2} s_{14} s_{25} \nabla^{i_3} \lambda^{i_1 i_4 i_2 i_5} + \frac{1}{2} s_{24} s_{15} \nabla^{i_3} \lambda^{i_2 i_4 i_1 i_5} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} s_{12} s_{35} \nabla^{i_4} \lambda^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_5} + \frac{1}{2} s_{13} s_{25} \nabla^{i_4} \lambda^{i_1 i_3 i_2 i_5} + \frac{1}{2} s_{23} s_{15} \nabla^{i_4} \lambda^{i_2 i_3 i_1 i_5} \end{aligned}$$

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 &\quad + \nabla^{i_5} R^{i_1 i_3 i_2 i_4} s_{34} + \nabla^{i_5} R^{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} (s_{24} + s_{45}) \\
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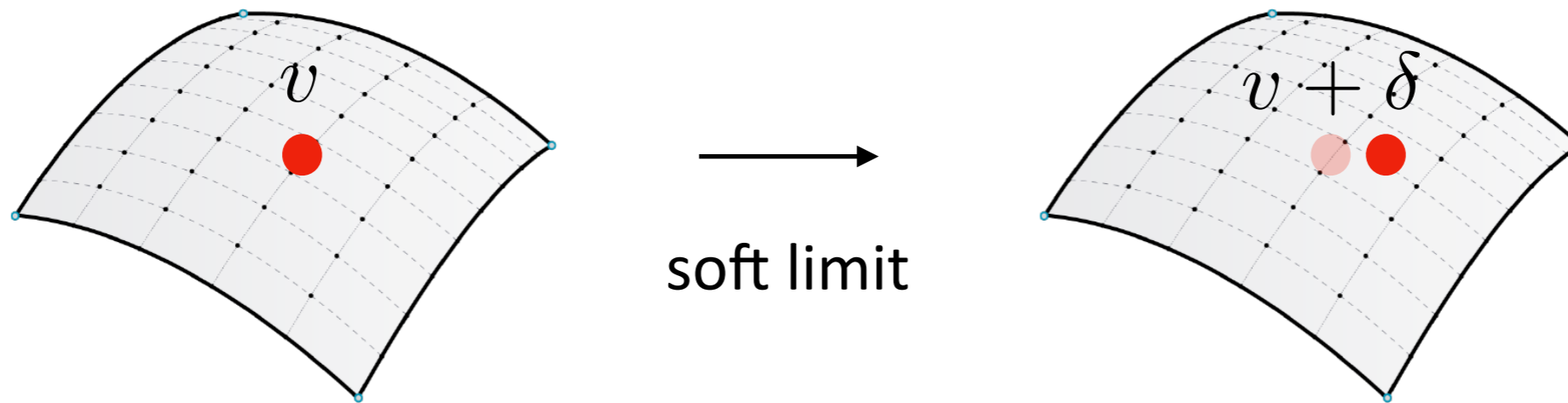
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 \end{aligned}$$

- Also works beyond contact terms i.e. factorization

# Some comments

- Precise encoding of the intuition: “Soft scalar = shift of VEV”



- Valid for **any** massless scalar
- Challenges common lore = soft scalar theorems *iff* symmetry
- No symmetry required! soft theorems move us around space of vacua instead.

# More comments

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- Non-perturbative in massless theory, tree-level in theory with masses
- Geometry encodes both leading and subleading soft theorems
- Generalizes and extends soft theorems for Goldstone bosons (Adler zero, non-symmetric  $G/H$ , soft dilaton, ...)
- Has been interpreted in CCFT (vacua = exactly marginal deformations, special soft operator)

[Kapec, Law, Narayanan]

# Double soft measures curvature

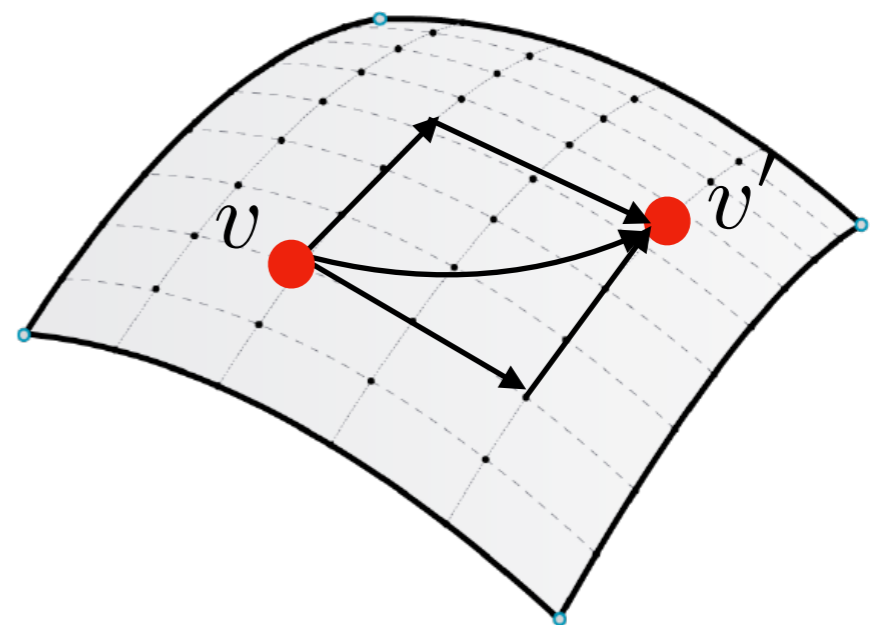
- Consecutive double soft

$$\left[ \lim_{q_a \rightarrow 0}, \lim_{q_b \rightarrow 0} \right] A_{n+2}^{i_1 \dots i_n i_a i_b} = [\nabla^{i_a}, \nabla^{i_b}] A_n^{i_1 \dots i_n} = \sum_{c \neq a, b} R^{i_a i_b i_c}{}_{j_c} A_n^{i_1 \dots j_c \dots i_n}$$

- Simultaneous double soft

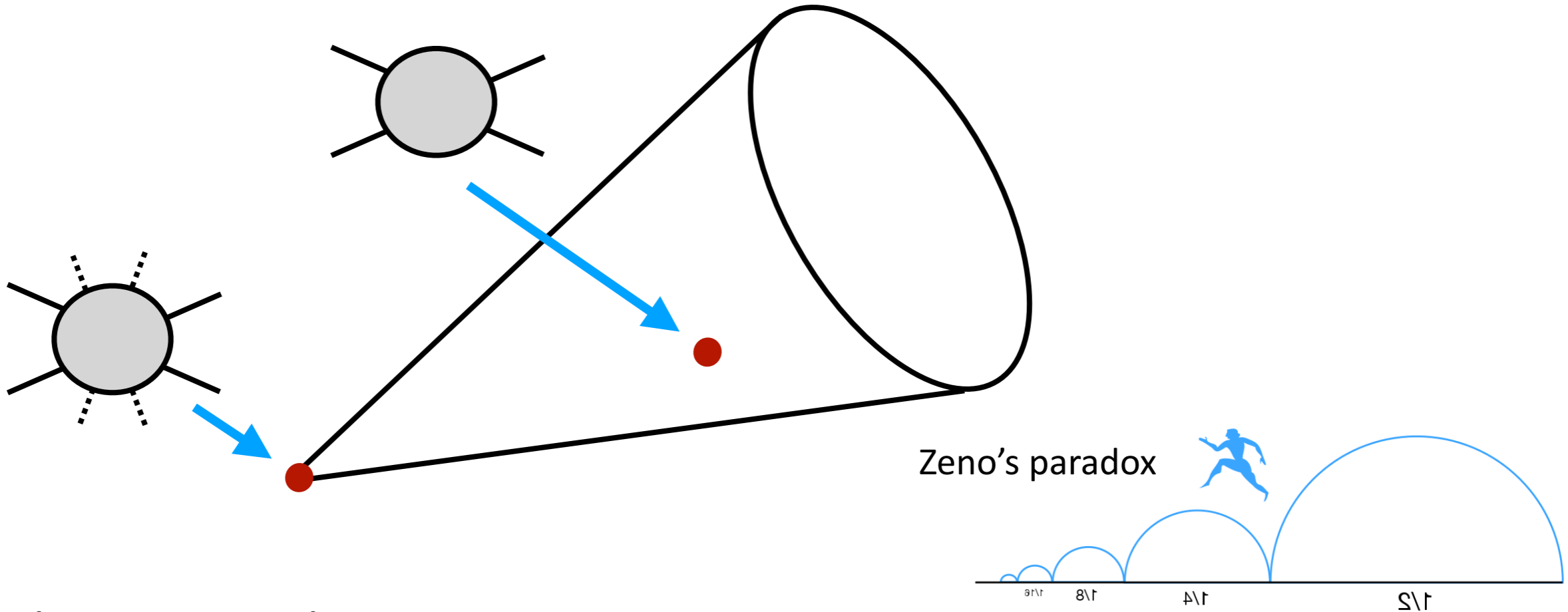
$$\lim_{q_a, q_b \rightarrow 0} A_{n+2}^{i_1 \dots i_n i_a i_b} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{c \neq a, b} \frac{s_{ac} - s_{bc}}{s_{ac} + s_{bc}} R^{i_a i_b i_c}{}_{j_c} A_n^{i_1 \dots j_c \dots i_n} + \nabla^{(i_a} \nabla^{i_b)} A_n^{i_1 \dots i_n}$$

- Difference: which path in field space



# Exploring moduli space

- Geometric (multi)soft theorem lets us move around moduli space



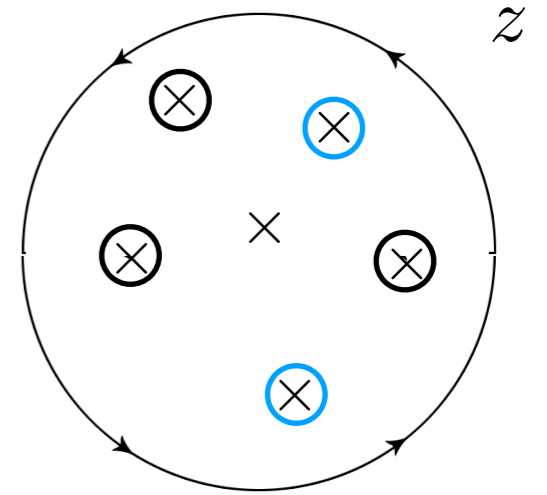
- One know example: W scattering in  $N=4$   
[Craig, Elvang, Kiermaier, Slatyer; Kiermaier]
- Must be explore further, make systematic

# Geometric soft recursion

- Recursion with soft-subtractions

[Cheung, Kampf, Novotny, Shen, Trnka; Luo, Wen]

$$A_n(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{dz}{z} \frac{A_n(z)}{F_{n,m}(z)} = - \sum_{\alpha} \text{Res}_{z=z_{\alpha}^{\pm}} \left( \frac{A_n(z)}{z F_{n,m}(z)} \right)$$



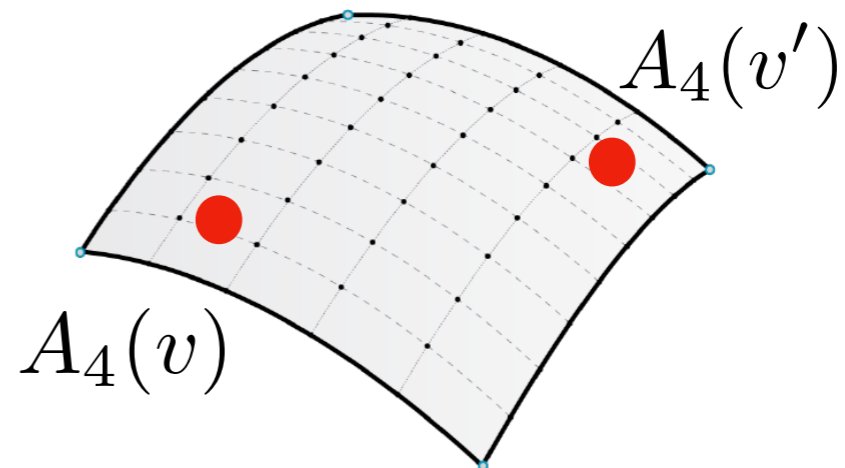
$$F_{n,m}(z) = \prod_{a=1}^n (1 - c_a z)^m$$

- Soft theorem enables on-shell recursion

[Cheung, Helset, JPM]

$$A_n(0) = \sum_{\alpha} \frac{A_L(z_{\alpha}^+) A_R(z_{\alpha}^+)}{(1 - z_{\alpha}^+ / z_{\alpha}^-) F_{n,1}(z_{\alpha}^+)} + (z_{\alpha}^+ \leftrightarrow z_{\alpha}^-) + \sum_a \frac{\nabla_{i_a} A_{n-1}(1/c_a)}{\prod_{b \neq a} (1 - c_b / c_a)}$$

- Seed of the recursion is four-point amplitude at every VEV

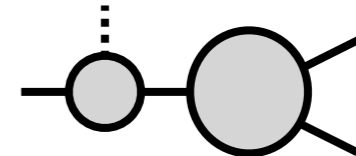
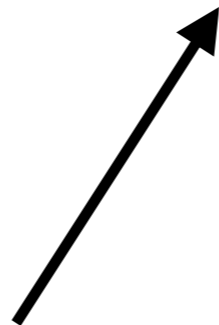
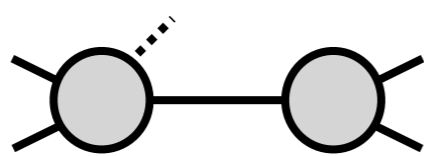
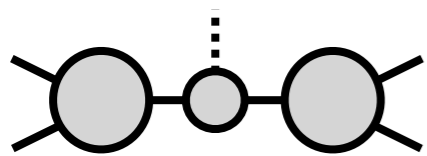


# A general soft theorem?

Generalize the intuition:

Does this work?

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1} \sim (\nabla + \bar{\Gamma}) A_n$$



“Soft particle = derivative  
w.r.t. const. background”

3pt-vertex “on-  
shell connection”

(3pt function as connection also appeared recently in  
[Cohen, Craig, Lu, Sutherland]) See Nathaniel's talk!




# Soft scalar coupled to matter

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- Leading coupling to fermions  $\Omega_{PQI}(\Phi) \bar{\psi}^P \gamma^\mu \psi^Q \partial_\mu \Phi^I$

- Soft theorem works!

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1} = \bar{\nabla} A_n = (\nabla + \bar{\Omega}) A_n$$


 torsion!

- E.g. dipole coupling  $D_{PQA}(\Phi) (\bar{\psi}^P \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi^Q) W_{\mu\nu}^A$

$$\mathcal{A}_3^{pq a} \sim \langle 13 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle D^{pq a},$$

$$\mathcal{A}_4^{pq a i_4} \sim \langle 13 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \bar{\nabla}^{i_4} D^{pq a},$$

- Minimal coupling to vectors gives version of Goldstone boson equivalence theorem.

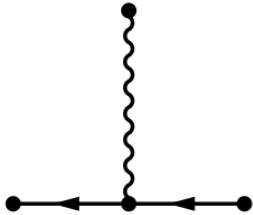
# Soft photon theorem

- Scalar-photon metric  $g_{\phi\bar{\phi}}^{\rho}(p_1, p_2|p_3) = \frac{q}{p_1 \cdot p_2} (p_1 - p_2)^{\rho}$
- General soft theorem

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1} \sim (\nabla + \bar{\Gamma}) A_n$$

$D = \partial + q\bar{A}$

$$\epsilon^{\mu} \frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{A}^{\mu}} \downarrow = - \sum_a q_a \epsilon \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial p_a}$$

Three-point vertex 

$$q_a \frac{\epsilon \cdot p_a}{q \cdot p_a} \left( 1 + p_a \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial q} \right)$$

$$\sum_a \frac{1}{q \cdot p_a} [\epsilon \cdot p_a + \epsilon \cdot J_a \cdot q] \quad \checkmark$$

Gravitons and gluons WIP

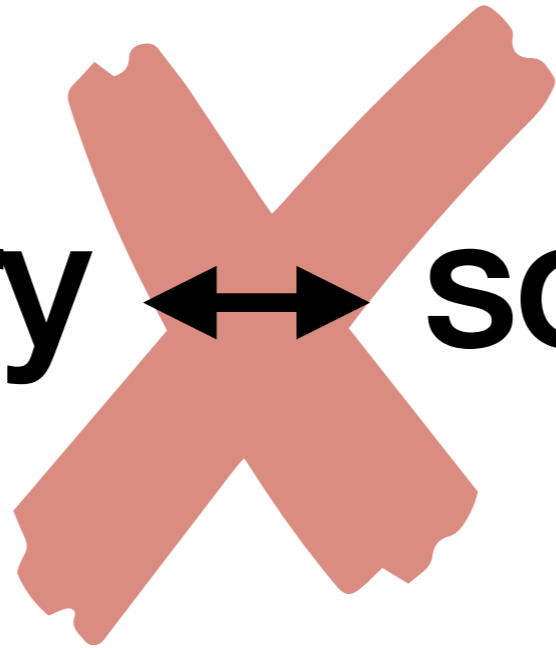
# Conclusions

- Geometry of field space is a useful principle which
  - ...can be extended beyond simple changes of coordinates to general field redefinitions
  - ...can be used to organize bosonic amplitudes in a geometric way that exposes field-redefinition invariance
- Geometric perspective gives new and general soft theorems
- Important question remains: What is the systematic way to move a finite distance in field space? Massive from massless?
- Tantalizing hints of general organizing principle for general (leading and sub-leading) soft theorems. Can we find new ones?



**What is special about  
symmetry?**

**Symmetry ↔ soft theorem**



**Symmetry → “multiplicative”  
soft theorem**

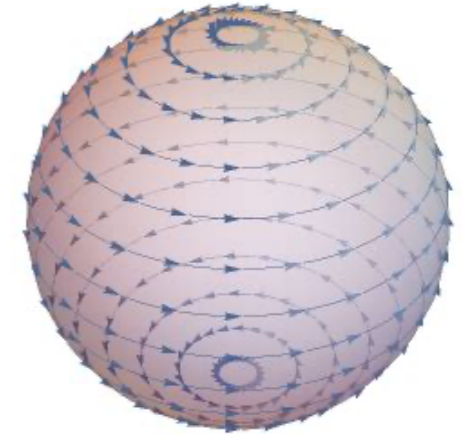
$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1} = \mathcal{S} A_n$$

# Geometry of symmetry

- Symmetry = Killing vector

$$\Phi^I \rightarrow \Phi^I + \mathcal{K}^I(\Phi)$$

$$g_{IJ}(\Phi) \rightarrow g_{IJ}(\Phi) + \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{K}}g_{IJ}(\Phi)$$



- Ward identity

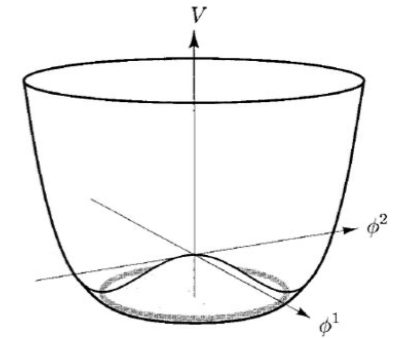
$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{K}}A_n^{i_1 \cdots i_n} = \mathcal{K}_i \nabla^i A_n^{i_1 \cdots i_n} - \sum_{a=1}^n \nabla_{j_a} \mathcal{K}^{i_a} A_n^{i_1 \cdots j_a \cdots i_n} = 0$$

- Makes soft theorem multiplicative

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{K}_i A_{n+1}^{i_1 \cdots i_n i} = \sum_{a=1}^n \nabla_{j_a} \mathcal{K}^{i_a} A_n^{i_1 \cdots j_a \cdots i_n}$$

# Example: non-symmetric NBG

[Kampf, Novotny, Shifman, Trnka; Cheung, Helset, JPM]



- Spontaneously broken global symmetry

- Coset space  $G/H$ 

$$[\mathcal{T}_a, \mathcal{T}_b] = f_{ab}{}^c \mathcal{T}_c,$$

$$[\mathcal{T}_a, \mathcal{X}_i] = f_{ai}{}^j \mathcal{X}_j,$$

$$[\mathcal{X}_i, \mathcal{X}_j] = f_{ij}{}^a \mathcal{T}_a + f_{ij}{}^k \mathcal{X}_k$$

- Soft theorem
 
$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1}^{i_1 \dots i_n i} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=1}^n f_{j_a}{}^{i_a i} A_n^{i_1 \dots j_a \dots i_n}$$

$\nwarrow \nabla \mathcal{X}$

- Symmetric coset  $(\mathcal{X} \rightarrow -\mathcal{X}) = \text{Adler zero}$ 

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1}^{i_1 \dots i_n i} = 0$$

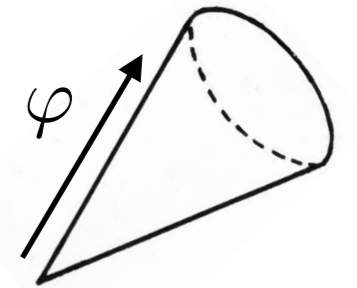


# Example: soft dilaton

[Callan]

- Spontaneously broken spacetime symmetry - scale invariance

- Dilaton (NGB) = flat direction in field space  $\nabla_\varphi = \partial_\varphi$



- Dimensional analysis  $\left( f_\varphi \partial_{\langle \varphi \rangle} + \sum_{a=1}^n p_a^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial p_a^\mu} \right) A = (D - n\Delta) A$

- Soft dilaton theorem

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 0} A_{n+1} = \partial_{\langle \varphi \rangle} A_n = \frac{1}{f_\varphi} \left( D - n\Delta - \sum_{a=1}^n p_a^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial p_a^\mu} \right) A_n$$

also works with masses!