

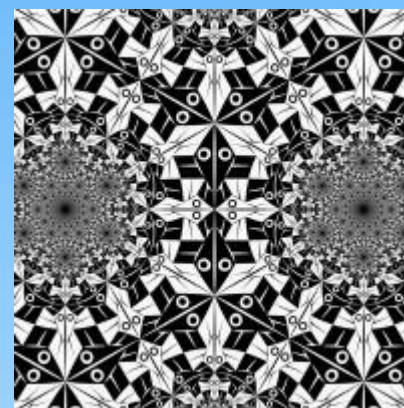
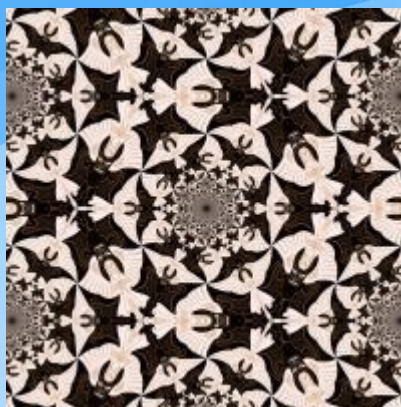
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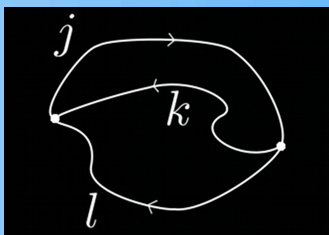
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Research interests: Quantum Gravity, Twistors and anything 4d Minkowski conformal

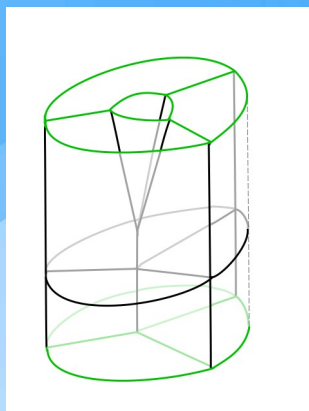


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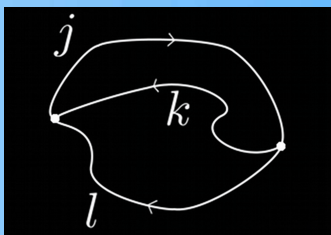
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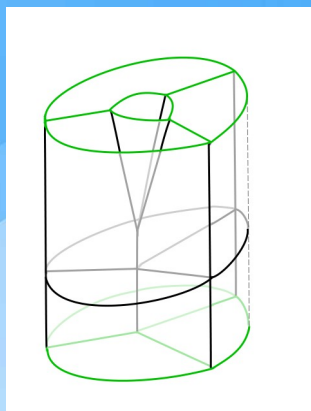
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- Problem for LQG and spinfoams: **dynamics**
- Matter dofs haven't been considered seriously in loop gravity. They can be included, but serve no purpose.
- Idea: Minkowski 4d conformal matter, both geometrical and ok with the Standard Model



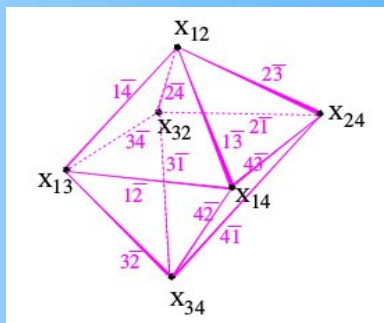
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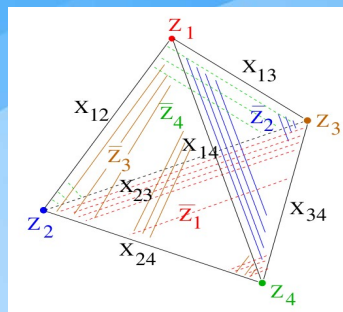
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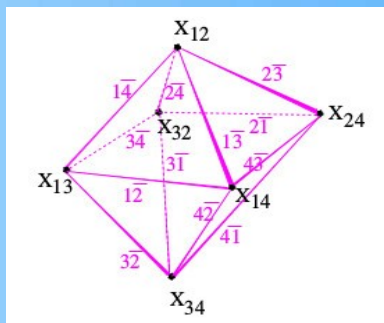
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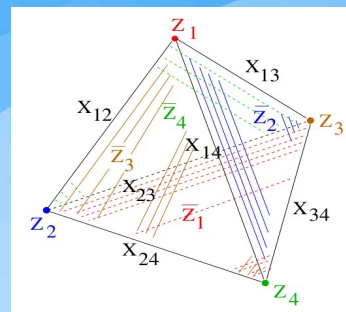
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- Where to next:
 - 1) Conformal matter: Embed $SU(2,2) \simeq SU(1,1) \times SU(2) \times SU(2) \times SU(2) \times SU(1,1)$ into the states of the spinfoam models with both time-like and space-like faces.
 - 2) Study semi-classical causality in spinfoams.
 - 3) See how our phase-space could be useful for 4d Minkowski CFTs.
 - 4) Possibly construct $SU(2,2)$ Regge calculus if it can be used to understand causality in simplicial GR.



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