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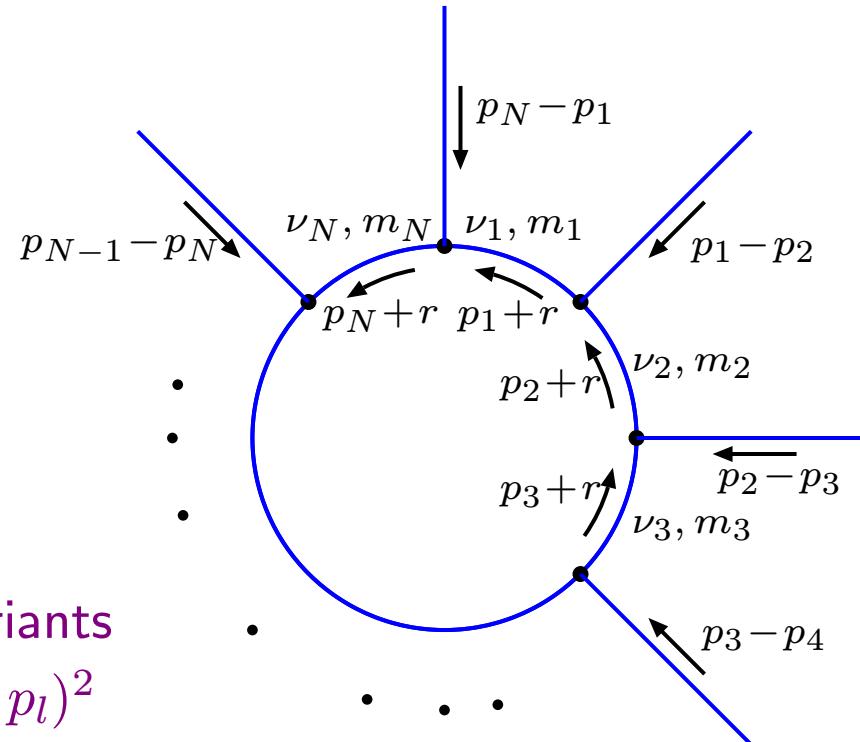
# Four-point function in general kinematics through geometrical splitting and reduction

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# One-loop $N$ -point function $J^{(N)}(n; \nu_1, \dots, \nu_N)$



Depends on

$\frac{1}{2}N(N - 1)$  invariants

$$k_{jl}^2 = (p_j - p_l)^2$$

and  $N$  masses  $m_i$

$$J^{(N)}(n; \nu_1, \dots, \nu_N) \equiv \int \frac{d^n k}{[(p_1 + k)^2 - m_1^2]^{\nu_1} \cdots [(p_N + k)^2 - m_N^2]^{\nu_N}}$$

## Feynman parameters

Parametric representation for the one-loop  $N$ -point function in  $n$  dimensions:

$$J^{(N)}(n; 1, \dots, 1) = i^{1-n} \pi^{n/2} \Gamma\left(N - \frac{n}{2}\right) \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 \frac{(\prod d\alpha_i) \cdot \delta(\sum \alpha_i - 1)}{\left[ \sum_{j < l} \alpha_j \alpha_l k_{jl}^2 - \sum \alpha_i m_i^2 \right]^{N-n/2}}$$

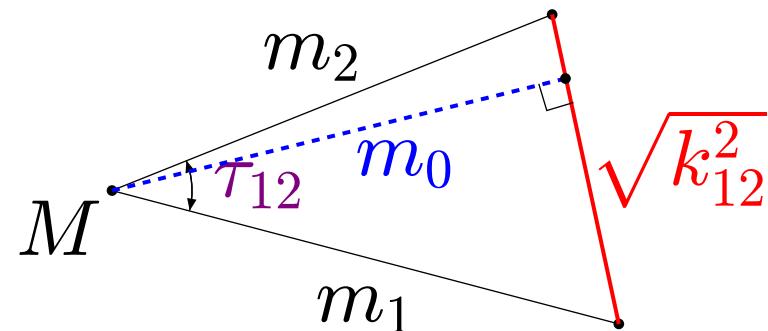
By using  $\sum \alpha_i = 1$  we can make the quadratic form homogeneous in  $\alpha_i$ :

$$\left[ \sum_{j < l} \alpha_j \alpha_l k_{jl}^2 - \left( \sum \alpha_i \right) \left( \sum \alpha_i m_i^2 \right) \right] \Rightarrow - \left[ \sum \alpha_i^2 m_i^2 + 2 \sum_{j < l} \alpha_j \alpha_l m_j m_l c_{jl} \right],$$

$$c_{jl} \equiv \frac{m_j^2 + m_l^2 - k_{jl}^2}{2m_j m_l}, \quad c_{jl} = \cos \tau_{jl} = \begin{cases} 1, & k_{jl}^2 = (m_j - m_l)^2 \\ -1, & k_{jl}^2 = (m_j + m_l)^2 \end{cases} \begin{matrix} \text{pseudothreshold} \\ \text{threshold} \end{matrix}$$

Direct geometrical interpretation: when  $-1 \leq c_{jl} \leq 1$  (i.e., angles  $\tau_{jl}$  are real)

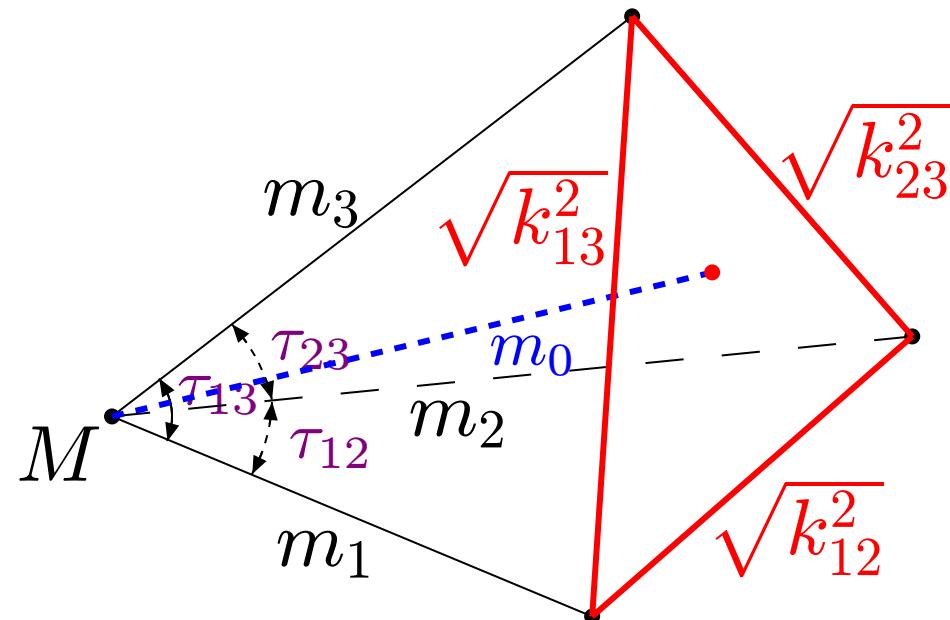
## Two-point function: the basic triangle



$$\cos \tau_{12} = c_{12} = \frac{m_1^2 + m_2^2 - k_{12}^2}{2m_1 m_2}$$

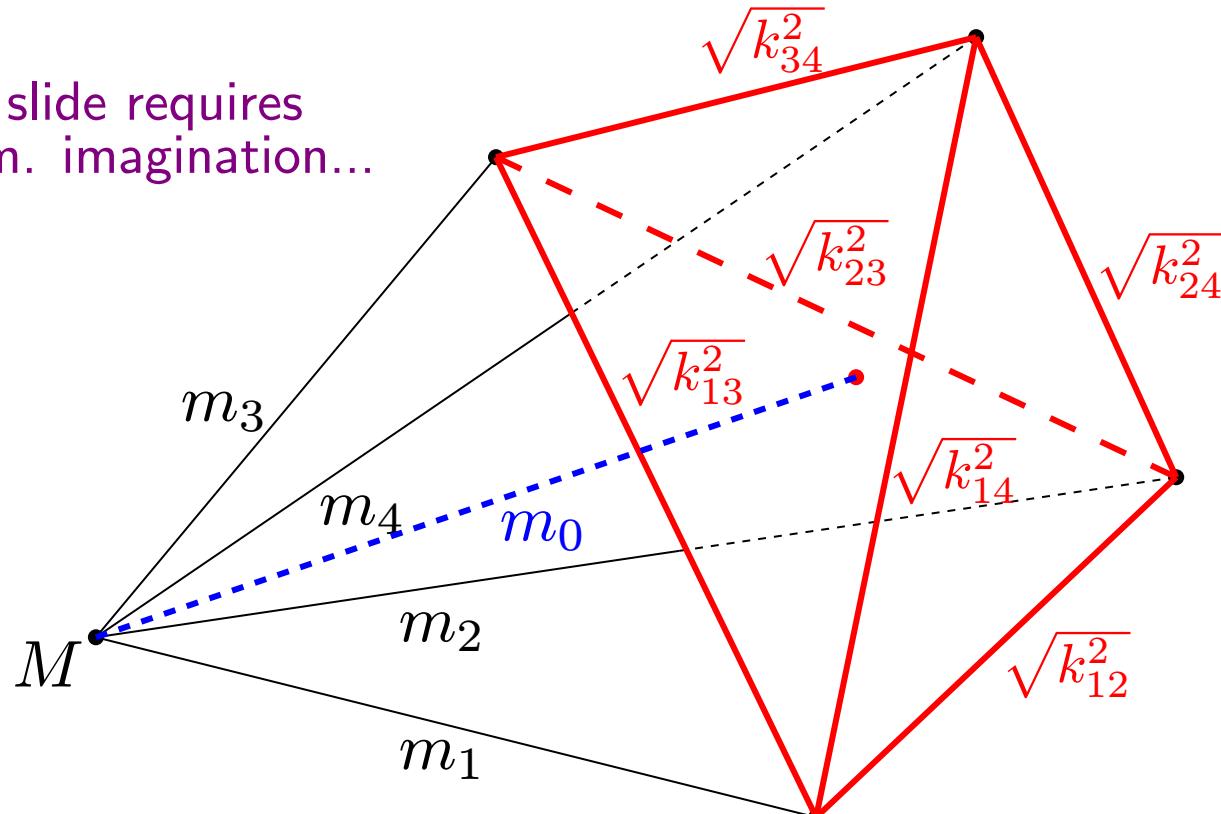
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## Three-point function: the basic tetrahedron



## Four-point function: the basic simplex for $N = 4$

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$$D^{(4)} = \det \|c_{jl}\|, \quad \Lambda^{(4)} = \det \|(k_{j4} \cdot k_{l4})\|,$$

$$V^{(4)} = \frac{m_1 m_2 m_3 m_4}{4!} \sqrt{D^{(4)}}, \quad \bar{V}_0^{(3)} = \frac{1}{3!} \sqrt{\Lambda^{(4)}}, \quad m_0 = m_1 m_2 m_3 m_4 \sqrt{\frac{D^{(4)}}{\Lambda^{(4)}}}$$

## From Feynman parameters to the geometrical approach

Using linear and *quadratic* substitutions of  $\alpha$  variables, we arrive at

$$J^{(N)}(n; 1, \dots, 1) = 2i^{1-2N} \pi^{n/2} \Gamma\left(N - \frac{n}{2}\right) (\prod f_i) \int_0^\infty \dots \int_0^\infty \frac{(\prod d\alpha_i) \cdot \delta(\alpha^T \| C \| \alpha - 1)}{(\sum \alpha_i f_i)^{n-N}}$$

Modified matrix:  $C_{jl} = \left( \sqrt{F_j^{(N)}} c_{jl} \sqrt{F_l^{(N)}} \right)$ , with  $F_i^{(N)} = \frac{\partial}{\partial m_i^2} (m_i^2 D^{(N)})$

obeying  $\sum_{l=1}^N c_{jl} F_l^{(N)} \frac{1}{m_l} = D^{(N)} \frac{1}{m_j} \Rightarrow \sum_{l=1}^N C_{jl} \frac{\sqrt{F_l^{(N)}}}{m_l} = D^{(N)} \frac{\sqrt{F_j^{(N)}}}{m_j} \Rightarrow$

Eigenvector:  $f_i = \frac{\sqrt{F_i^{(N)}}}{m_i}$ , Eigenvalue:  $D^{(N)} = \det \|c_{jl}\|$  (Gram determinant)

## Feynman parameters: diagonalization

Whenever a quadratic form occurs, an obvious idea is to *diagonalize* it:

“rotate” variables  $\alpha_i \rightarrow \beta_i$  so that  $\alpha^T \|C\| \alpha = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i \beta_i^2$

One of the  $\beta$ ’s (say  $\beta_N$ ) is directed along  $f_i$ , so that  $\lambda_N = D^{(N)}$  and denominator  $(\sum \alpha_i f_i)$  is proportional to  $\beta_N$ .

Assume (for a moment) that all  $\lambda_i > 0$  and rescale  $\beta_i = \frac{\gamma_i}{\sqrt{\lambda_i}} \Rightarrow$

$$J^{(N)}(n; 1, \dots, 1) = 2i^{1-2N} \pi^{n/2} \Gamma(N - \frac{n}{2}) \frac{m_0^{n-N-1}}{\sqrt{\Lambda^{(N)}}} \int_{\Omega^{(N)}} \dots \int \frac{\prod d\gamma_i}{\gamma_N^{n-N}} \delta \left( \sum \gamma_i^2 - 1 \right)$$

Remarkably: the same  $N$ -dim. solid angle  $\Omega^{(N)}$  as in the *basic simplex*!

Special case:  $N = n$  ( $N = 2$  in 2d,  $N = 3$  in 3d,  $N = 4$  in 4d, etc.)

If some of  $\lambda_i$  are negative – *hyperbolic* surface (instead of *spherical*)

$\leftrightarrow$  analytical continuation!

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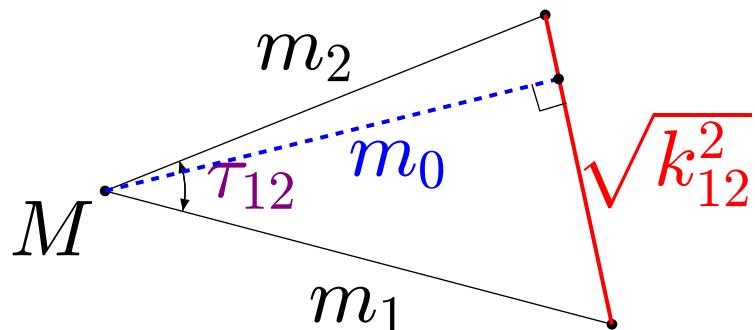
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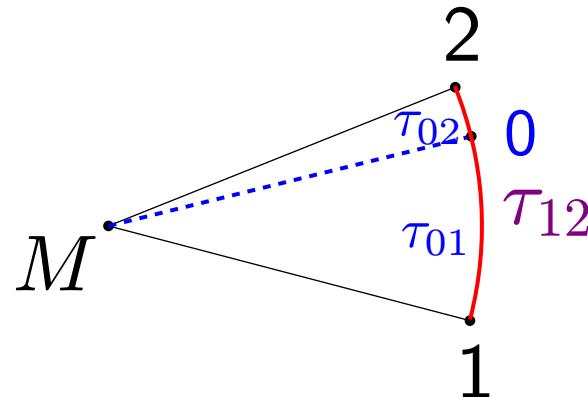
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## Two-point function, geometrical approach



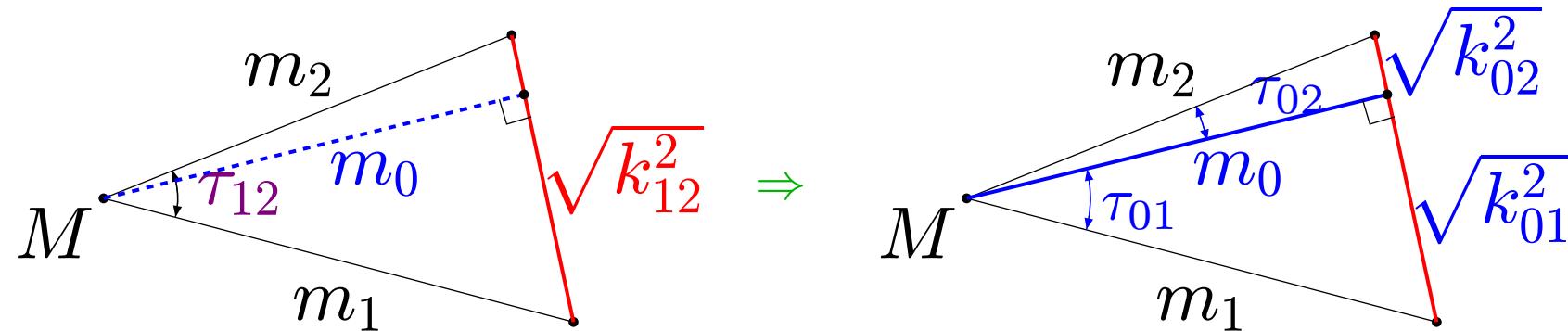
the basic triangle

the arc  $\tau_{12}$ 

$$\cos \tau_{12} \equiv c_{12} = \frac{m_1^2 + m_2^2 - k_{12}^2}{2m_1m_2}, \quad D^{(2)} = 1 - c_{12}^2 = \sin^2 \tau_{12}, \quad \Lambda^{(2)} = k_{12}^2,$$

$$m_0 = m_1m_2 \sqrt{\frac{D^{(2)}}{\Lambda^{(2)}}} = \frac{m_1m_2 \sin \tau_{12}}{\sqrt{k_{12}^2}}, \quad \cos \tau_{0i} = \frac{m_0}{m_i}, \quad \tau_{01} + \tau_{02} = \tau_{12}.$$

## Two-point function, splitting the basic triangle



$$k_{01}^2 = \frac{(k_{12}^2 + m_1^2 - m_2^2)^2}{4k_{12}^2}, \quad k_{02}^2 = \frac{(k_{12}^2 - m_1^2 + m_2^2)^2}{4k_{12}^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} J^{(2)}(n; 1, 1 | k_{12}^2; m_1, m_2) &= \frac{1}{2k_{12}^2} \left\{ (k_{12}^2 + m_1^2 - m_2^2) J^{(2)}(n; 1, 1 | k_{01}^2; m_1, m_0) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (k_{12}^2 - m_1^2 + m_2^2) J^{(2)}(n; 1, 1 | k_{02}^2; m_2, m_0) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

This is an example of a functional relation between integrals with different momenta and masses, similar to those described in

O.V. Tarasov, Phys.Lett. **B670** (2008) 67

## Two-point function: number of variables and the quadratic form

**Number of dimensionless variables, before and after splitting:**

$$\text{in } J^{(2)}(n; 1, 1 | k_{12}^2; m_1, m_2) : \quad 3 - 1(\text{dimension}) = 2$$

$$\text{in } J^{(2)}(n; 1, 1 | k_{01}^2; m_1, m_0) : \quad 3 - 1(k_{01}^2 = m_1^2 - m_0^2) - 1(\text{dimension}) = 1$$

**Quadratic form in Feynman parametric integral:**

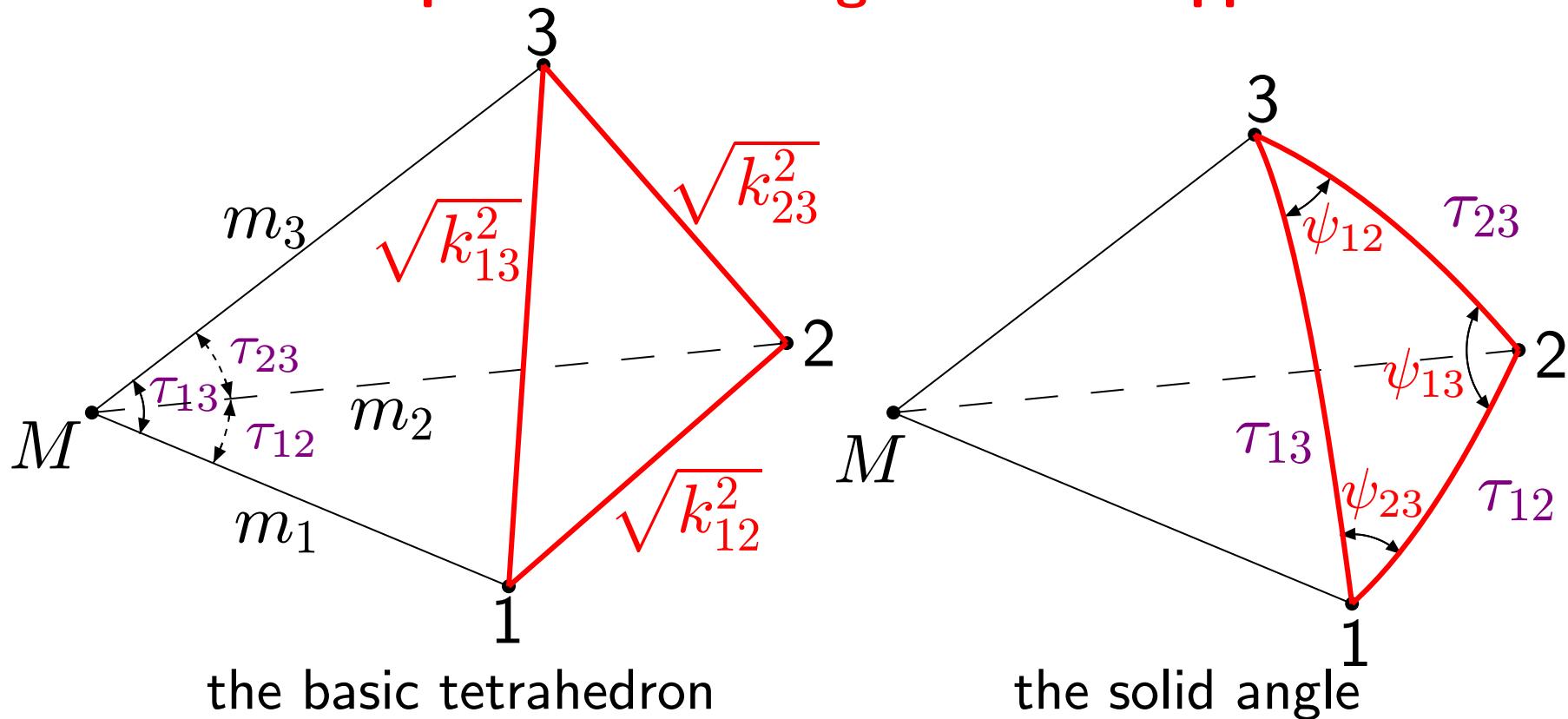
$$\text{in } J^{(2)}(n; 1, 1 | k_{12}^2; m_1, m_2) : \quad [\alpha_1 \alpha_2 k_{12}^2 - \alpha_1 m_1^2 - \alpha_2 m_2^2]$$

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**Result in arbitrary dimension:**

$$\begin{aligned} J^{(2)}(n; 1, 1 | k_{01}^2; m_1, m_0) &= i\pi^{n/2} \Gamma(2 - n/2) \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{d\alpha_1 d\alpha_2 \delta(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 1)}{[\alpha_1^2 k_{01}^2 + m_0^2]^{2-n/2}} \\ &= i\pi^{n/2} \frac{\Gamma(2 - n/2)}{(m_0^2)^{2-n/2}} {}_2F_1 \left( \begin{matrix} 1/2, 2 - n/2 \\ 3/2 \end{matrix} \middle| -\frac{k_{01}^2}{m_0^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

## Three-point function: geometrical approach

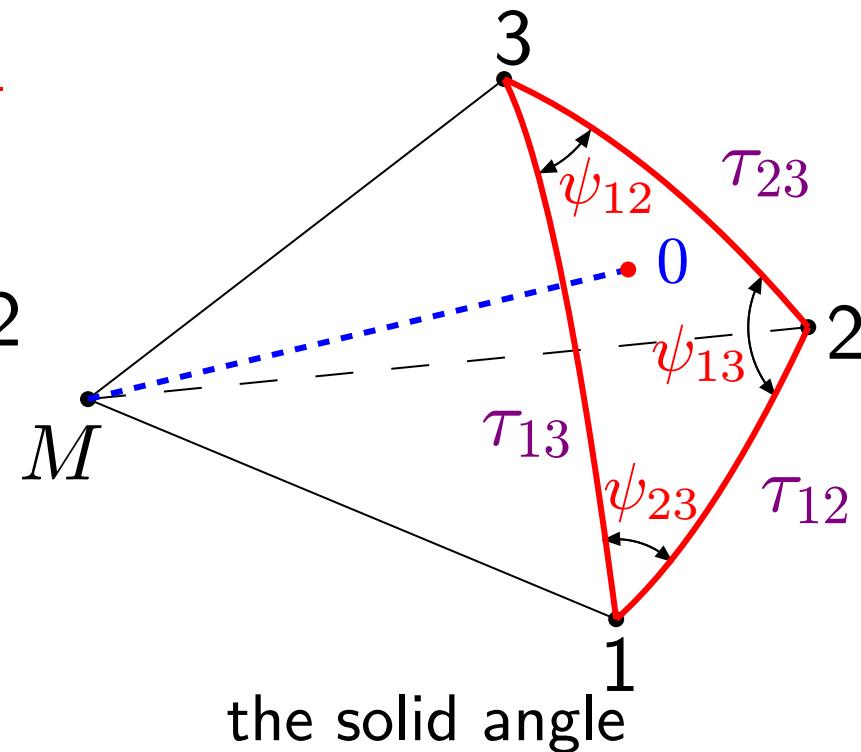
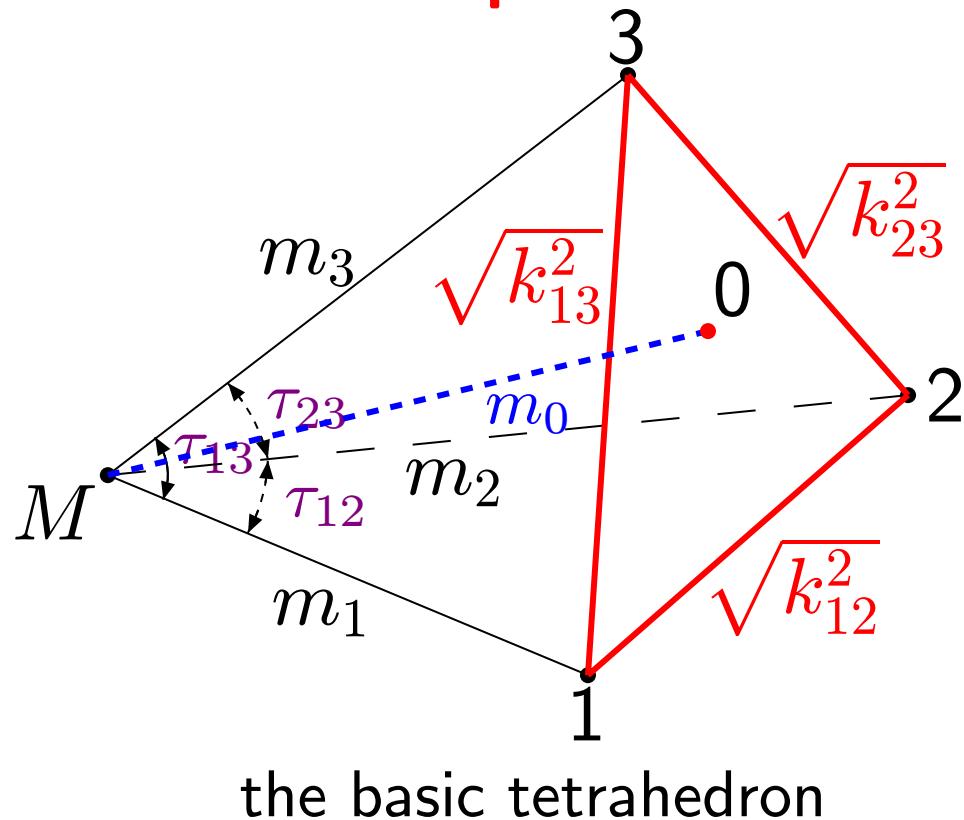


Special case  $n = 3 \Rightarrow$  the area of spherical triangle ("spherical excess"):

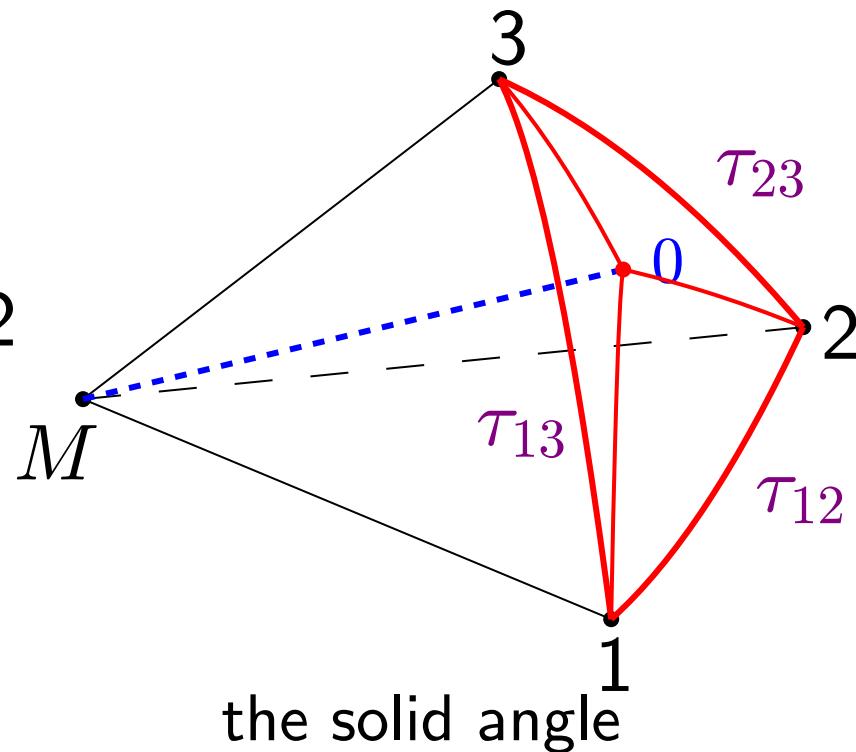
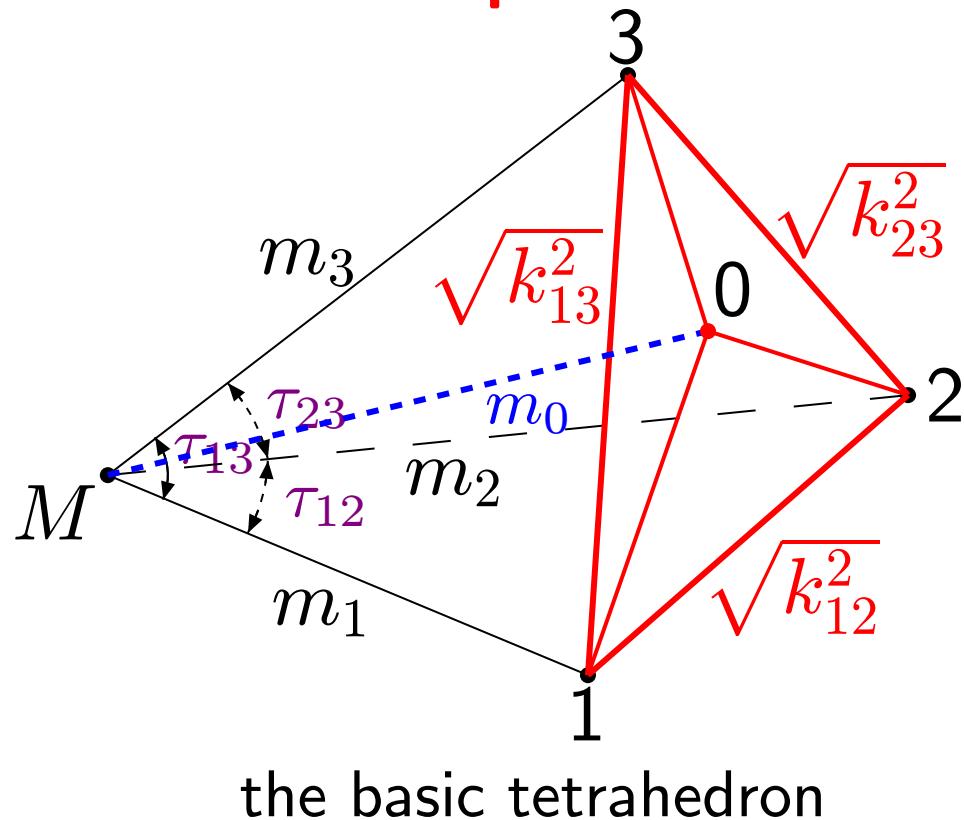
$$\Omega^{(3;3)} = \psi_{12} + \psi_{23} + \psi_{31} - \pi .$$

Compare with: B. G. Nickel, J. Math. Phys. **19** (1978) 542

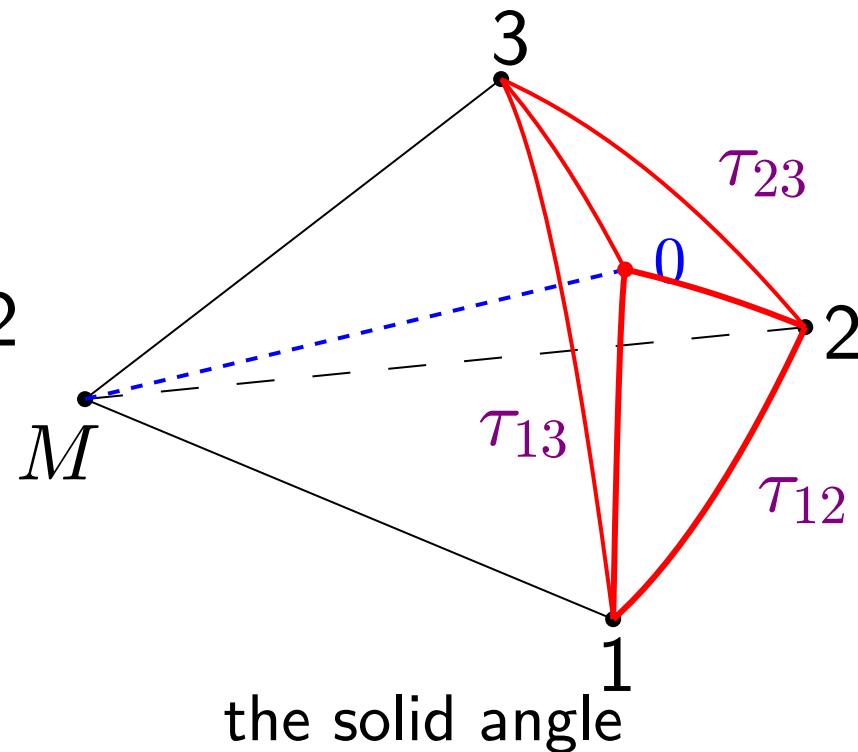
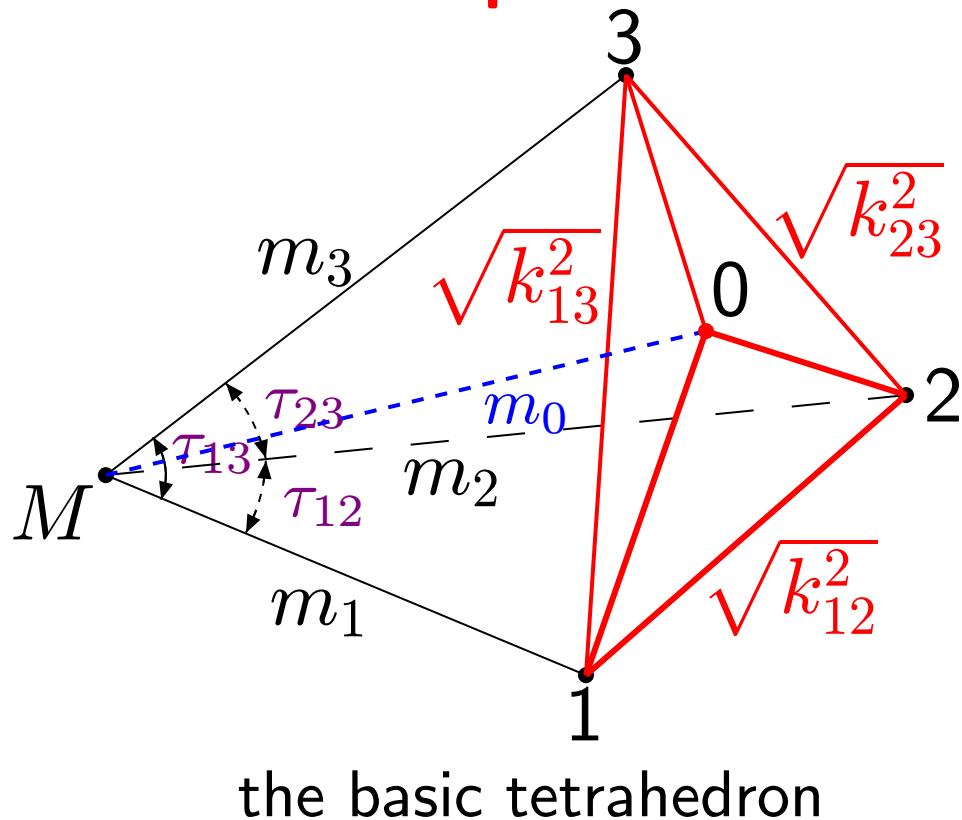
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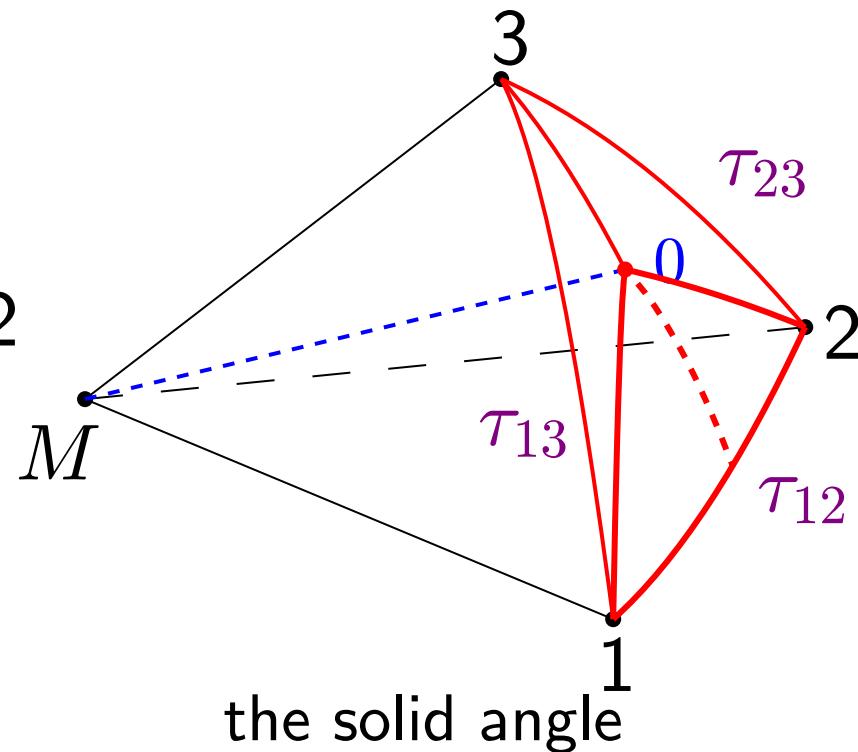
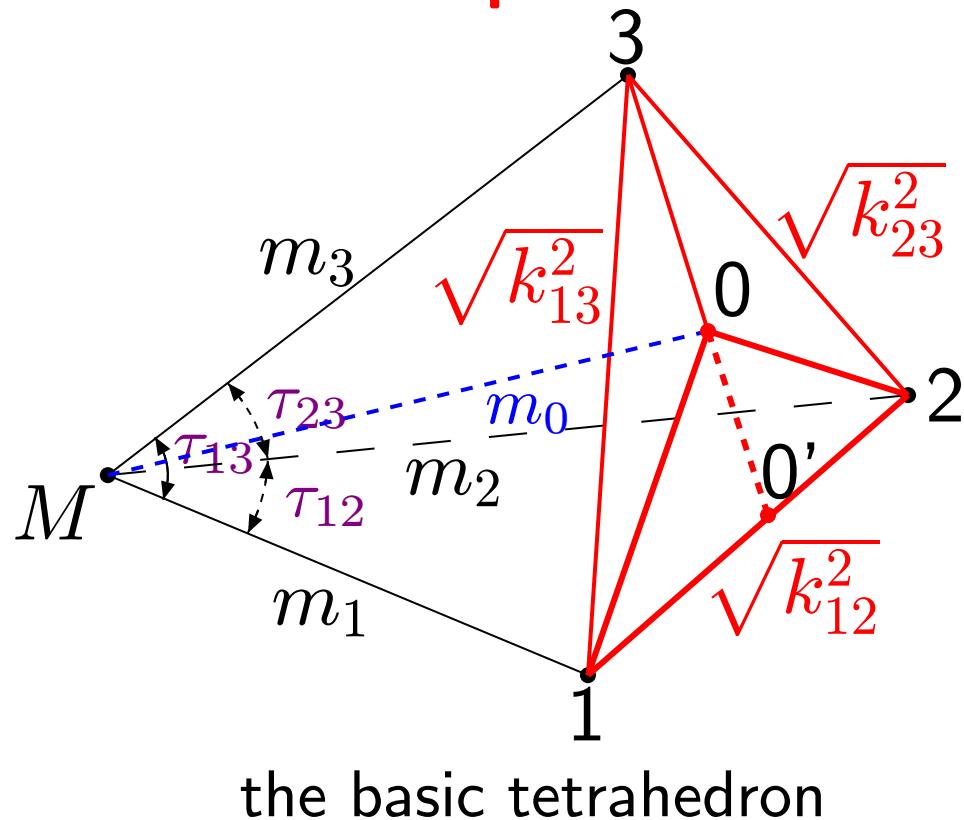
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## Three-point function: splitting the basic tetrahedron

$$\begin{aligned}
 & J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{23}^2, k_{13}^2, k_{12}^2; m_1, m_2, m_3) \\
 &= \frac{m_1^2 m_2^2 m_3^2}{\Lambda^{(3)}} \left\{ \frac{F_1^{(3)}}{m_1^2} J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{23}^2, k_{03}^2, k_{02}^2; m_0, m_2, m_3) \right. \\
 &\quad + \frac{F_2^{(3)}}{m_2^2} J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{03}^2, k_{13}^2, k_{01}^2; m_1, m_0, m_3) \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{F_3^{(3)}}{m_3^2} J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{02}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{12}^2; m_1, m_2, m_0) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

with  $k_{01}^2 = m_1^2 - m_0^2$ ,  $k_{02}^2 = m_2^2 - m_0^2$ ,  $k_{03}^2 = m_3^2 - m_0^2$ ,

$$F_3^{(3)} = \frac{1}{4m_1^2 m_2^2} \left[ k_{12}^2 (k_{13}^2 + k_{23}^2 - k_{12}^2 + m_1^2 + m_2^2 - 2m_3^2) - (m_1^2 - m_2^2) (k_{13}^2 - k_{23}^2) \right], \text{ etc.}$$

$$\frac{F_1^{(3)}}{m_1^2} + \frac{F_2^{(3)}}{m_2^2} + \frac{F_3^{(3)}}{m_3^2} = \frac{\Lambda^{(3)}}{m_1^2 m_2^2 m_3^2}$$

$$\Lambda^{(3)} = \frac{1}{4} [2k_{12}^2 k_{13}^2 + 2k_{13}^2 k_{23}^2 + 2k_{23}^2 k_{12}^2 - (k_{12}^2)^2 - (k_{13}^2)^2 - (k_{23}^2)^2]$$

## Three-point function: further reduction of the integrals

$$\begin{aligned}
 & J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{02}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{12}^2; m_1, m_2, m_0) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2k_{12}^2} \left\{ (k_{12}^2 + m_1^2 - m_2^2) J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2; m_1, m_{0'}, m_0) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + (k_{12}^2 - m_1^2 + m_2^2) J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{02}^2, k_{00'}^2, k_{20'}^2; m_{0'}, m_2, m_0) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$k_{10'}^2 = \frac{(k_{12}^2 + m_1^2 - m_2^2)^2}{4k_{12}^2}, \quad k_{20'}^2 = \frac{(k_{12}^2 - m_1^2 + m_2^2)^2}{4k_{12}^2},$$

— similarly to the reduction of the two-point function

## Three-point function: number of variables and the quadratic form

Number of dimensionless variables, before and after splitting:

in  $J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{23}^2, k_{13}^2, k_{12}^2; m_1, m_2, m_3)$ :  $6 - 1(\text{dimension}) = 5$

in  $J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{02}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{12}^2; m_1, m_2, m_0)$ :  $6 - 2(\text{relations}) - 1(\text{dimension}) = 3$

in  $J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2; m_1, m_{0'}, m_0)$ :  $6 - 3(\text{relations}) - 1(\text{dimension}) = 2$

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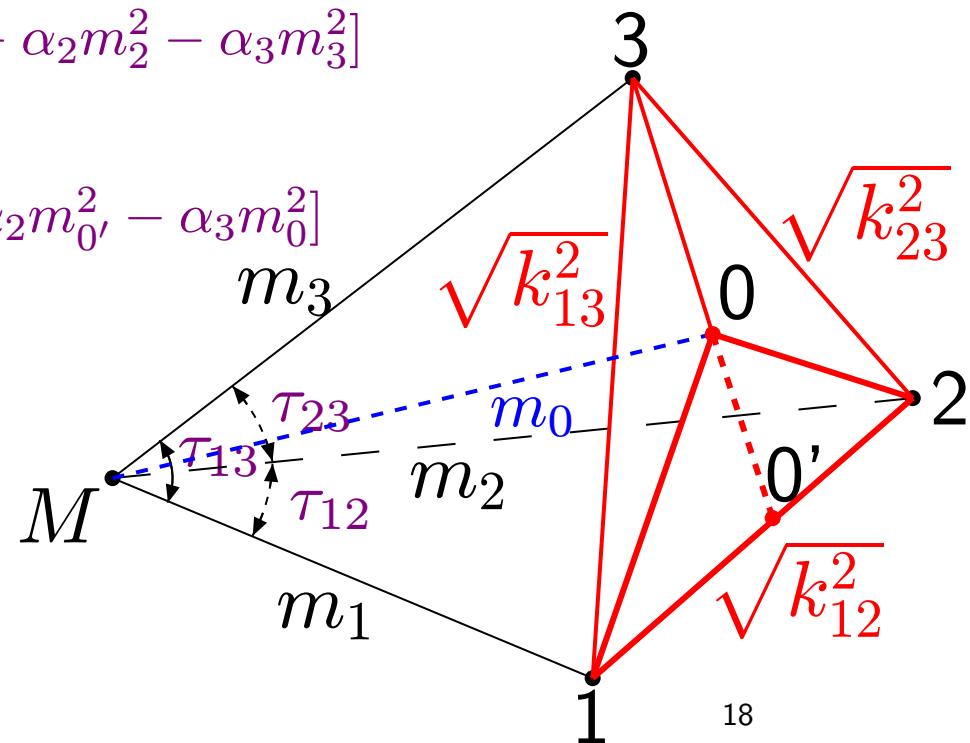
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in  $J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2; m_1, m_{0'}, m_0)$ :

$$[\alpha_1\alpha_2k_{10'}^2 + \alpha_1\alpha_3k_{01}^2 + \alpha_2\alpha_3k_{00'}^2 - \alpha_1m_1^2 - \alpha_2m_{0'}^2 - \alpha_3m_0^2]$$

$$= -[\alpha_1^2k_{10'}^2 + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2k_{00'}^2 + m_0^2]$$



## Three-point function: result in arbitrary dimension

$$\begin{aligned}
 & J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2; m_1, m_{0'}, m_0) \\
 &= -i\pi^{n/2}\Gamma(3-n/2) \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{d\alpha_1 d\alpha_2 d\alpha_3 \delta(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 - 1)}{[\alpha_1^2 k_{10'}^2 + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2 k_{00'}^2 + m_0^2]^{3-n/2}} \\
 &= -\frac{i\pi^{n/2}\Gamma(2-n/2)}{2(m_0^2)^{2-n/2}k_{00'}^2} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{k_{00'}^2}{k_{10'}^2}} \arctan \sqrt{\frac{k_{10'}^2}{k_{00'}^2}} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \left( \frac{m_0^2}{m_{0'}^2} \right)^{2-n/2} F_1 \left( 1/2, 1, 2-n/2; 3/2 \middle| -\frac{k_{10'}^2}{k_{00'}^2}, -\frac{k_{10'}^2}{m_{0'}^2} \right) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $F_1$  is Appell hypergeometric function of two variables,

$$F_1(a, b_1, b_2; c|x, y) = \sum_{j_1, j_2} \frac{(a)_{j_1+j_2} (b_1)_{j_1} (b_2)_{j_2}}{(c)_{j_1+j_2}} \frac{x^{j_1} y^{j_2}}{j_1! j_2!}$$

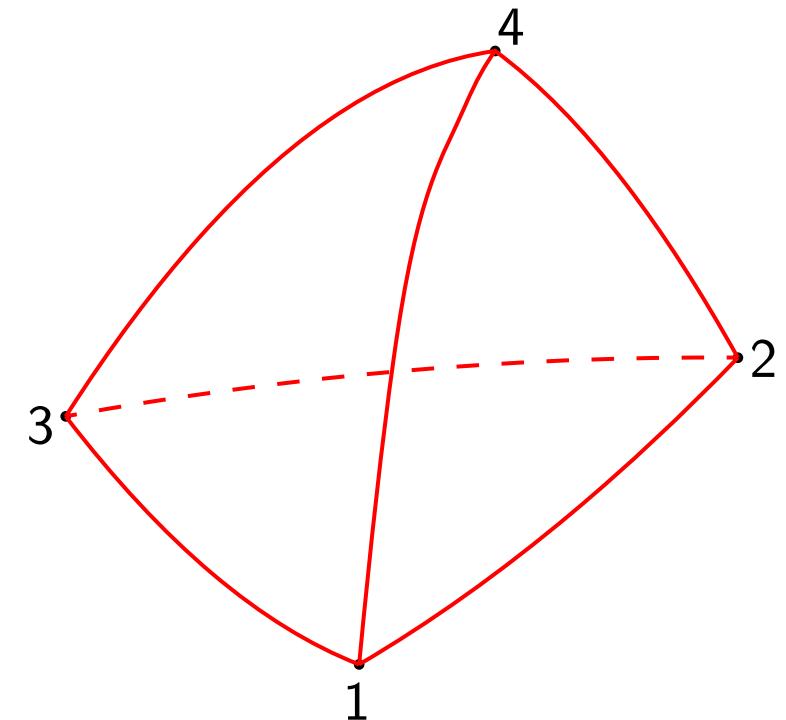
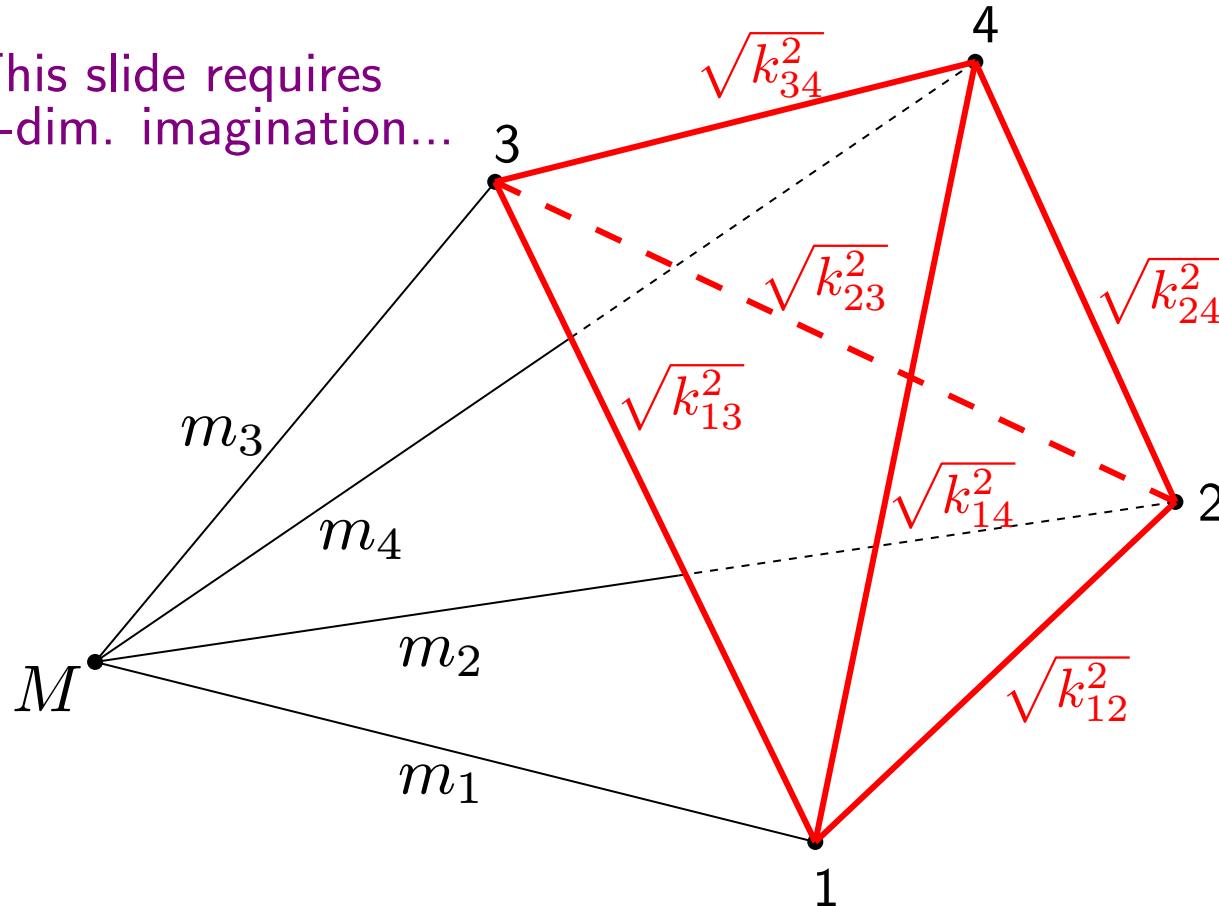
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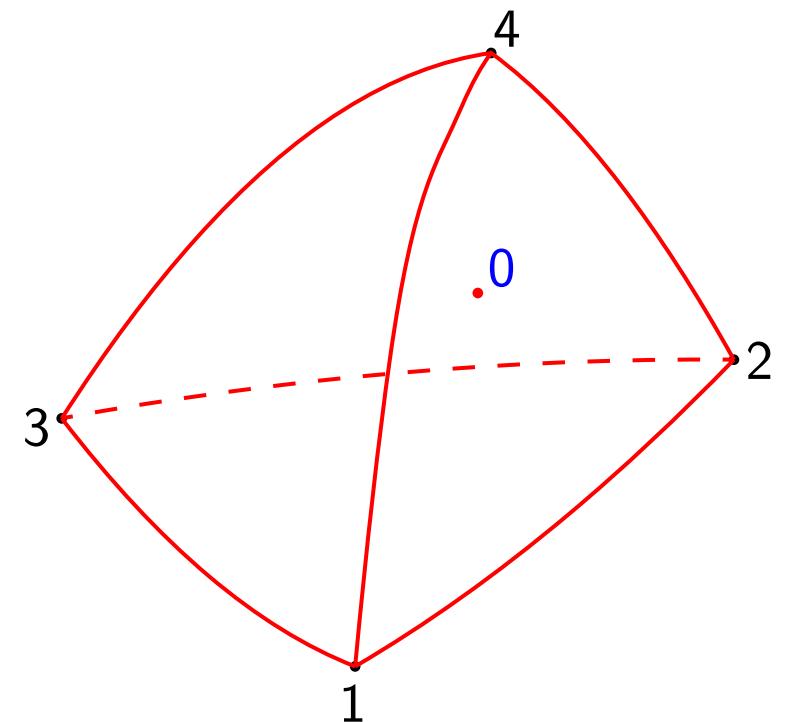
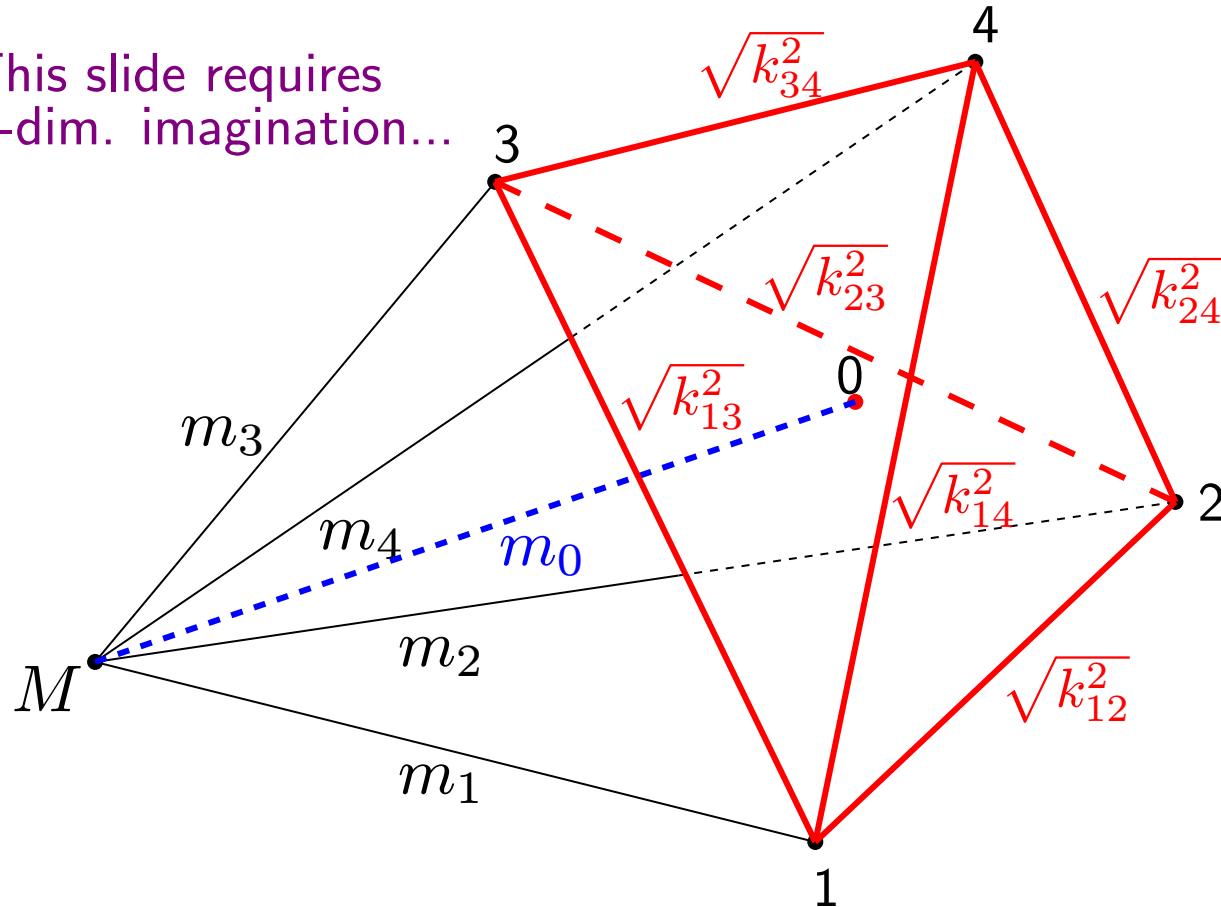
$k_{12}^2, k_{23}^2, k_{34}^2, k_{14}^2$  – external momenta squared

$k_{13}^2, k_{24}^2$  – Mandelstam variables  $s$  and  $t$

$k_{23}$	$m_3$	$k_{34}$
	$m_2 \quad m_4$	
$k_{12}$	$m_1$	$-k_{14}$

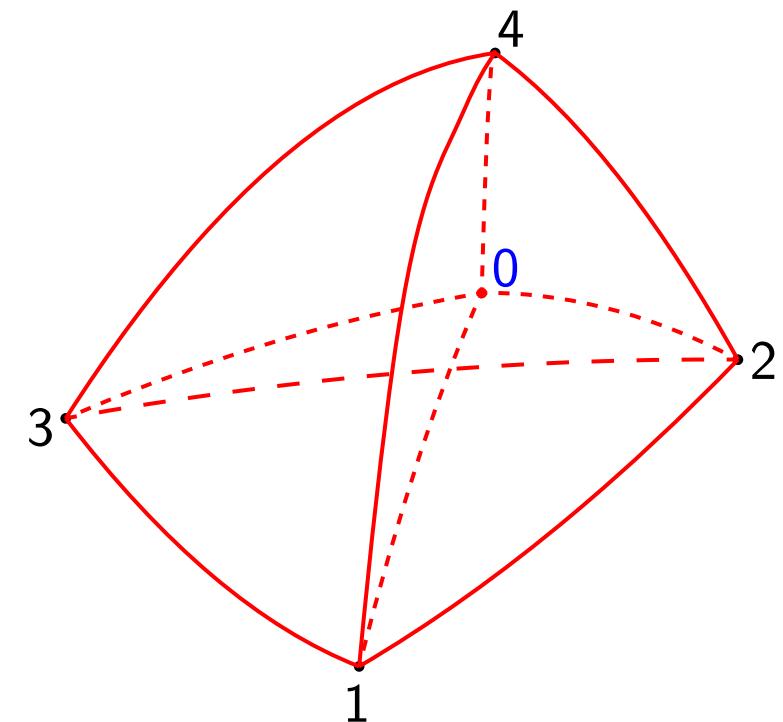
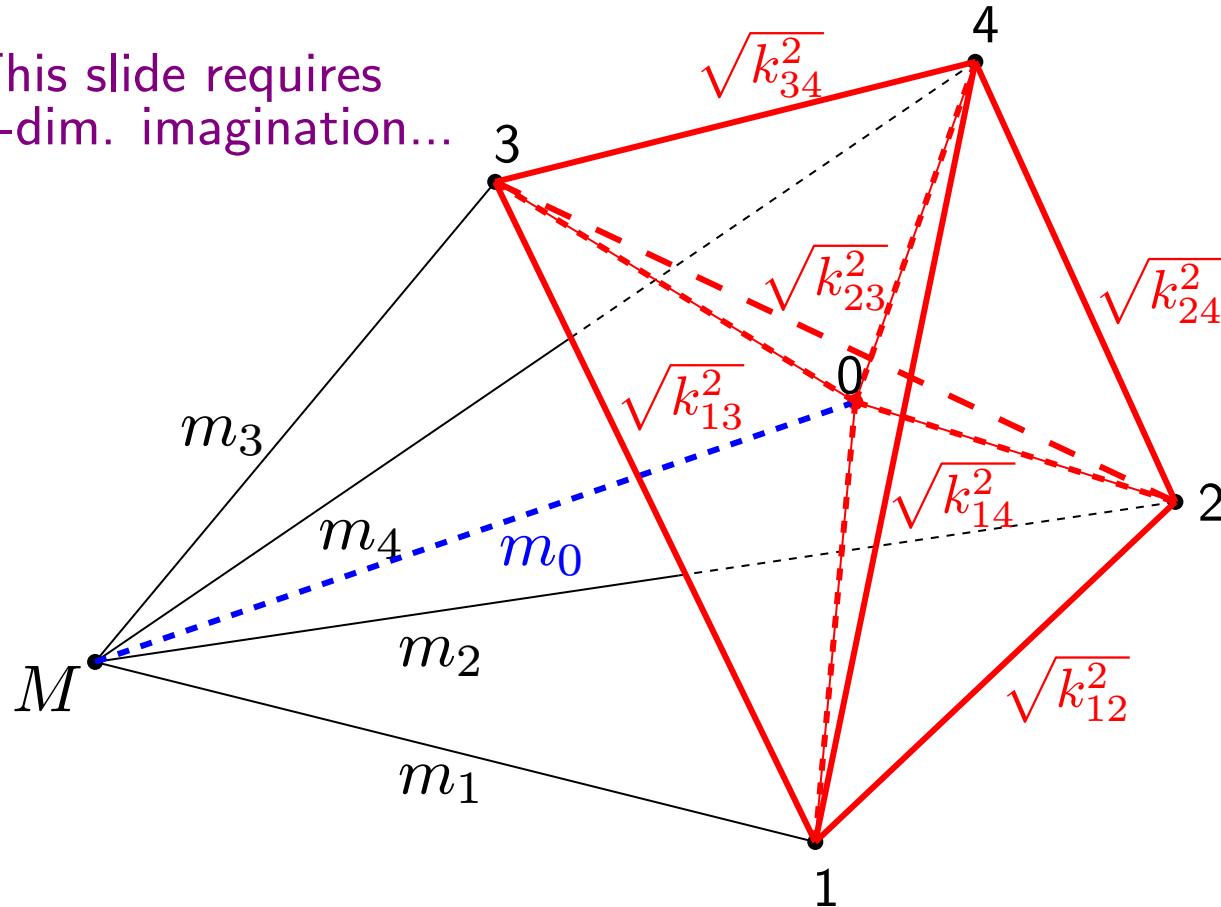
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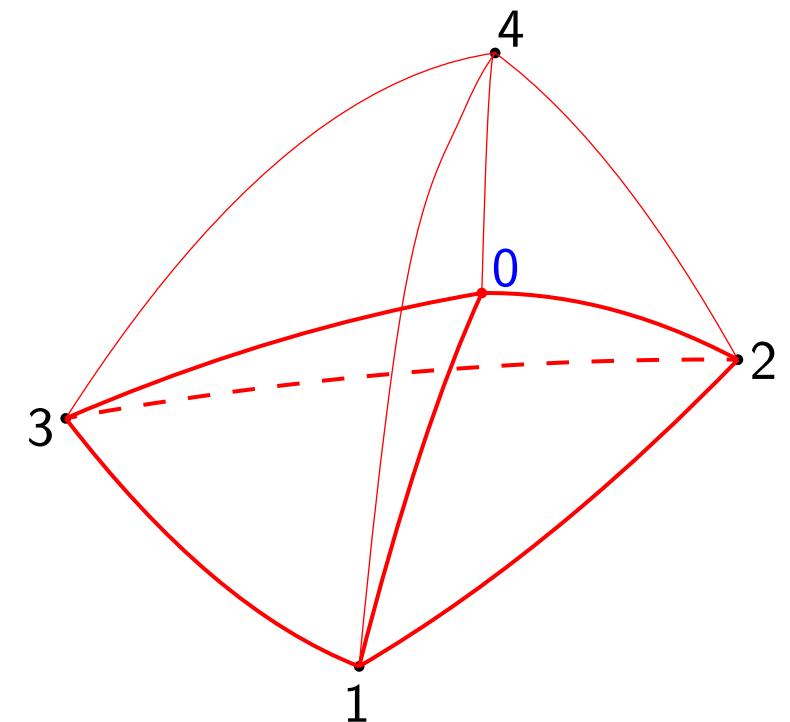
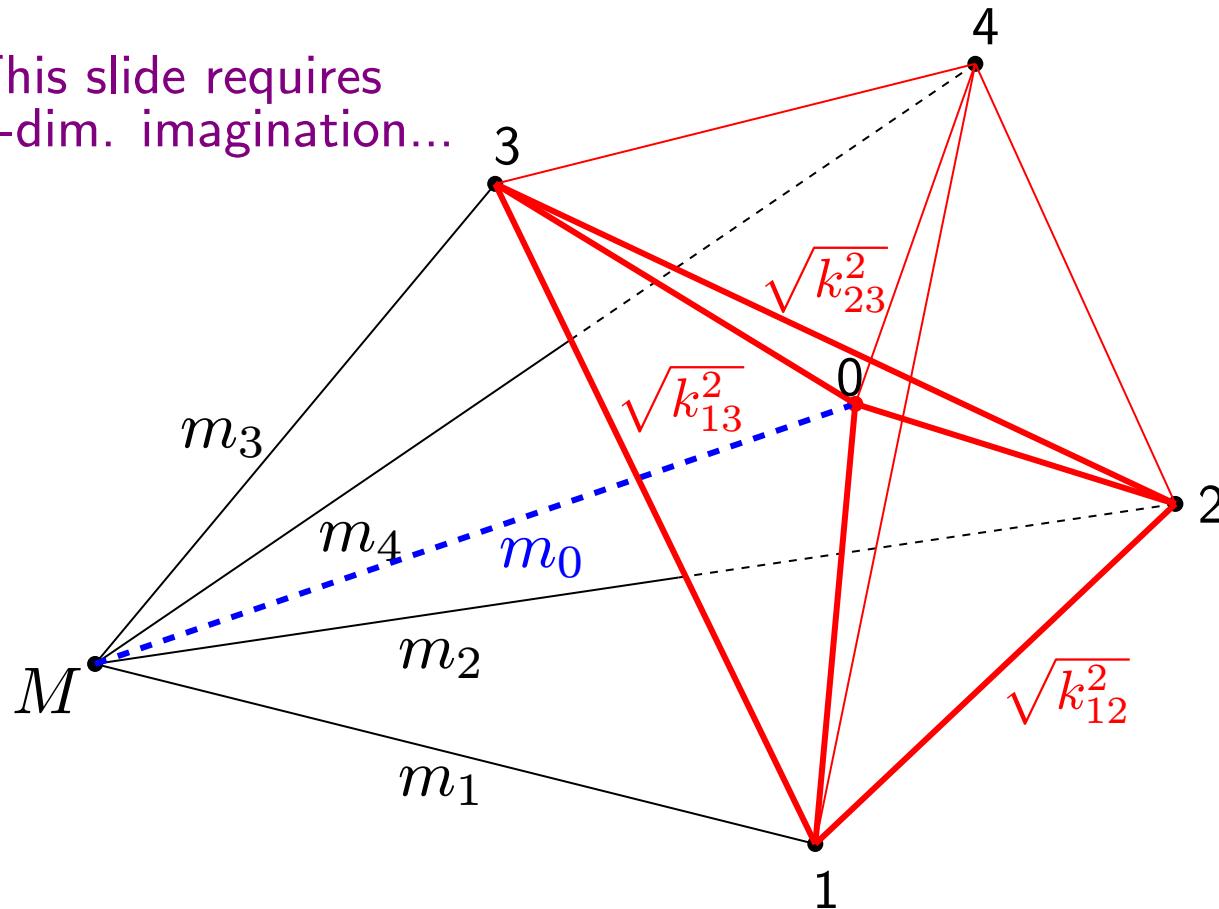
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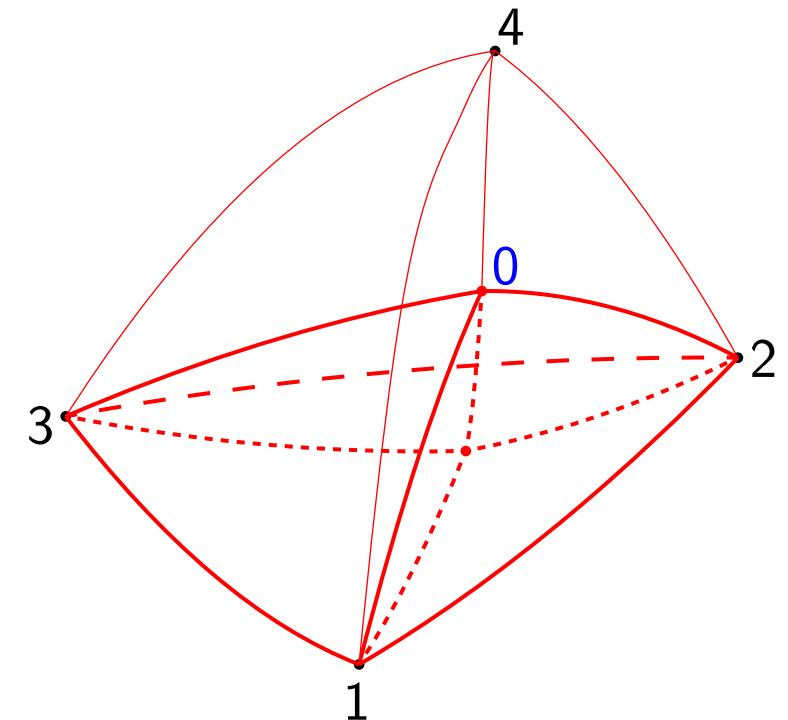
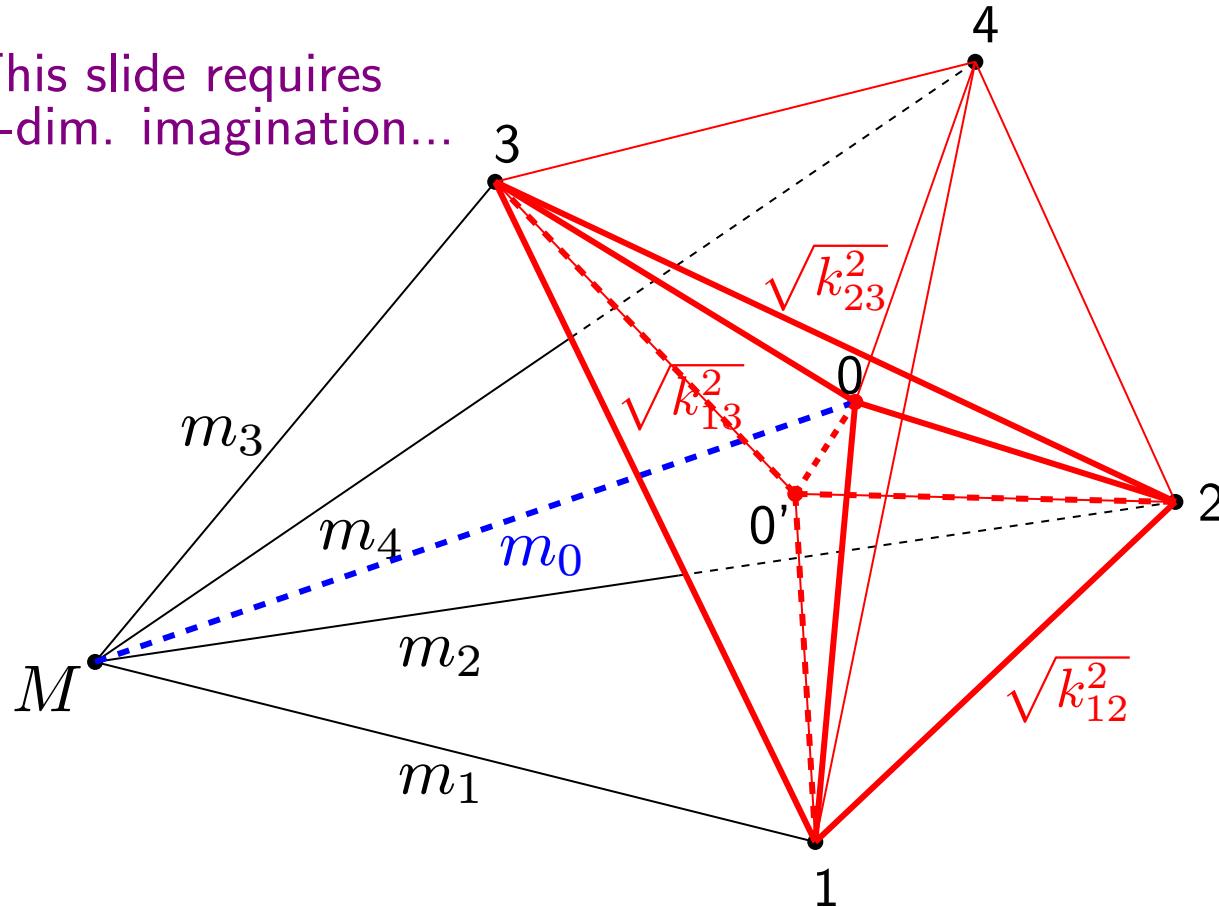
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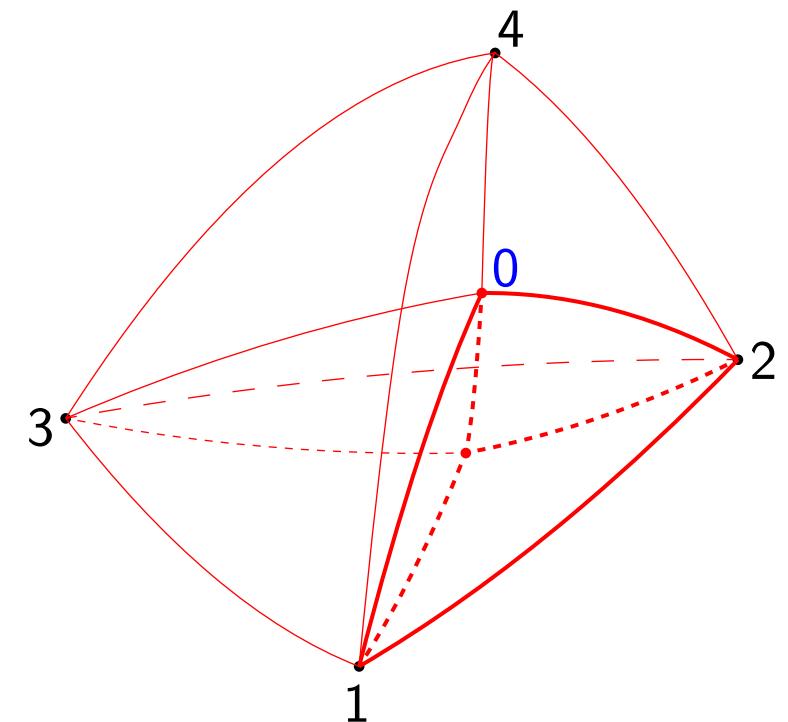
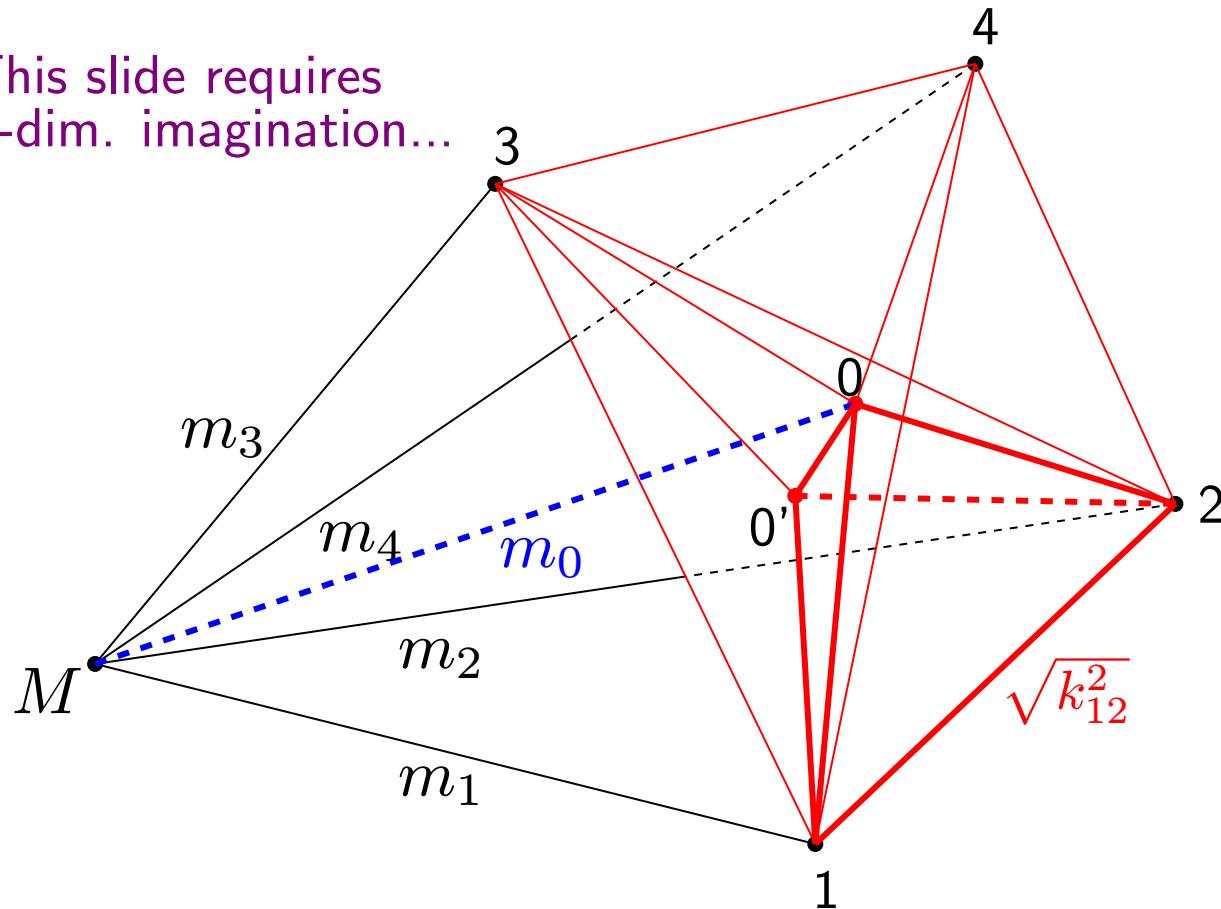
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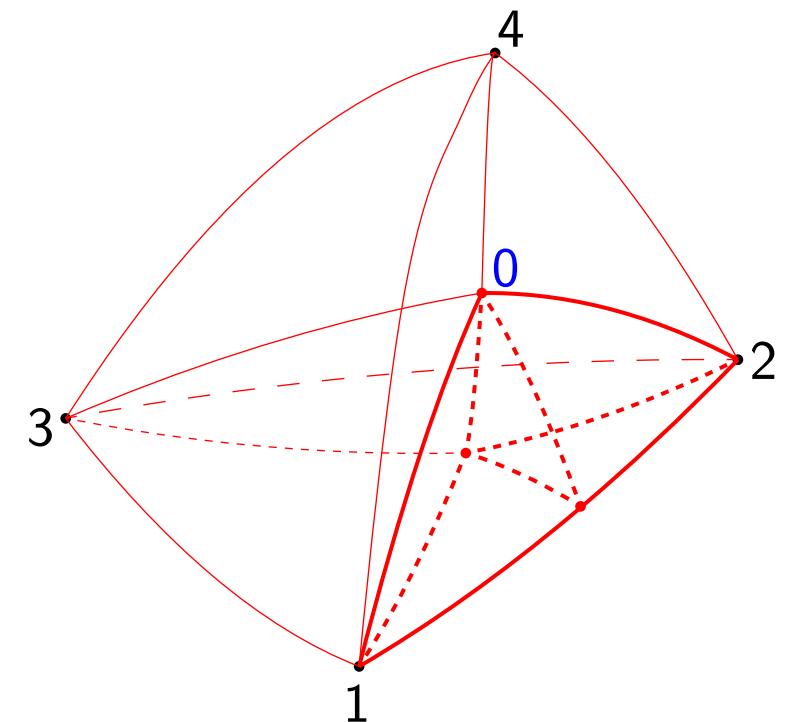
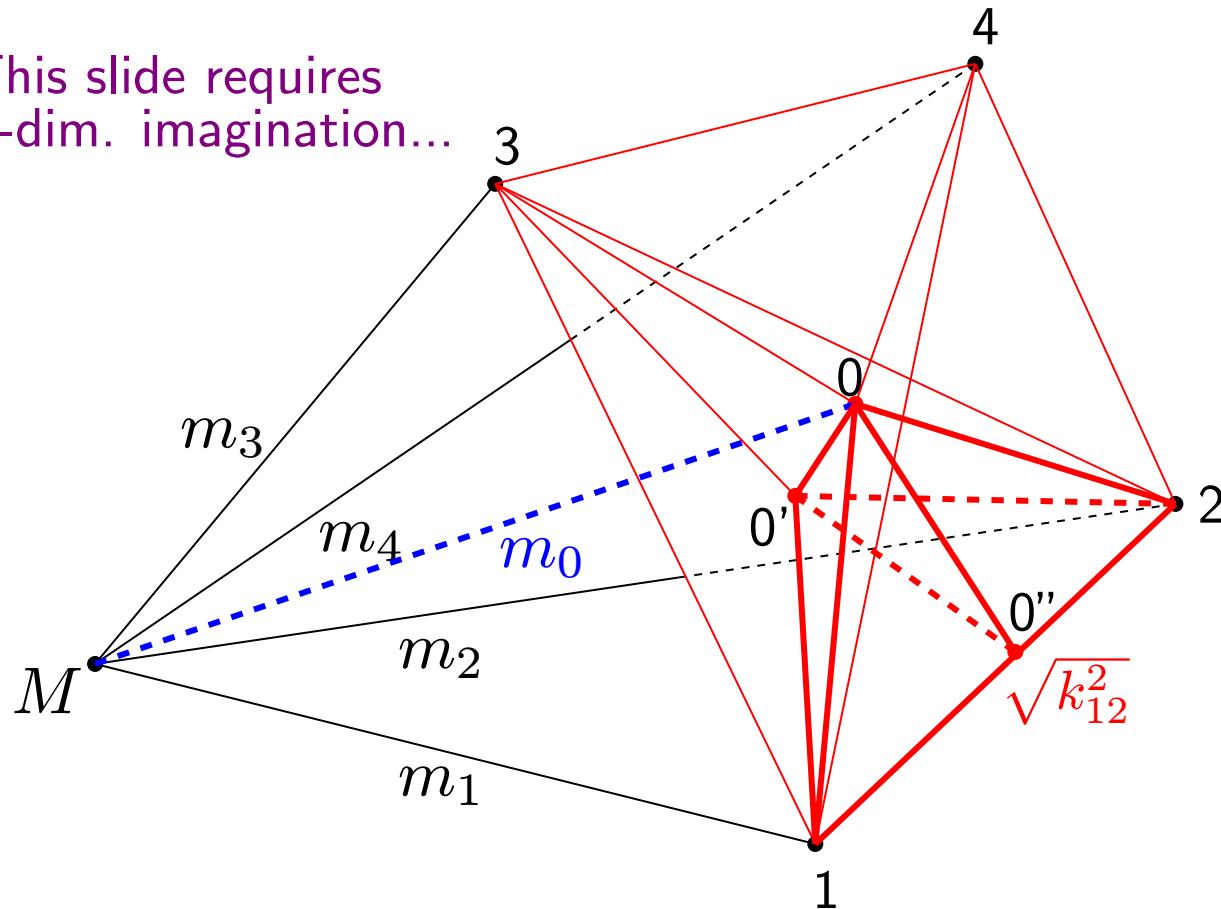
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## Four-point function: number of dimensionless variables

in  $J^{(4)}(n; 1, 1, 1, 1 | \{k_{12}^2, k_{23}^2, k_{34}^2, k_{14}^2, k_{13}^2, k_{24}^2\}; \{m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4\})$ :  
 $10 - 1(\text{dimension}) = 9$

in  $J^{(4)}(n; 1, 1, 1, 1 | \{k_{12}^2, k_{23}^2, k_{03}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{13}^2, k_{02}^2\}; \{m_1, m_2, m_3, m_0\})$   
(after splitting the tetrahedron 1234 into four tetrahedra):  
 $10 - 3(\text{relations}) - 1(\text{dimension}) = 6$

in  $J^{(4)}(n; 1, 1, 1, 1 | \{k_{12}^2, k_{20'}^2, k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2, k_{02}^2\}; \{m_1, m_2, m_{0'}, m_0\})$   
(after splitting the tetrahedron 0123 into three tetrahedra):  
 $10 - 5(\text{relations}) - 1(\text{dimension}) = 4$

in  $J^{(4)}(n; 1, 1, 1, 1 | \{k_{10''}^2, k_{0'0''}^2, k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2, k_{00''}^2\}; \{m_1, m_{0''}, m_{0'}, m_0\})$   
(after splitting each of the resulting tetrahedra into two):  
 $10 - 6(\text{relations}) - 1(\text{dimension}) = 3$

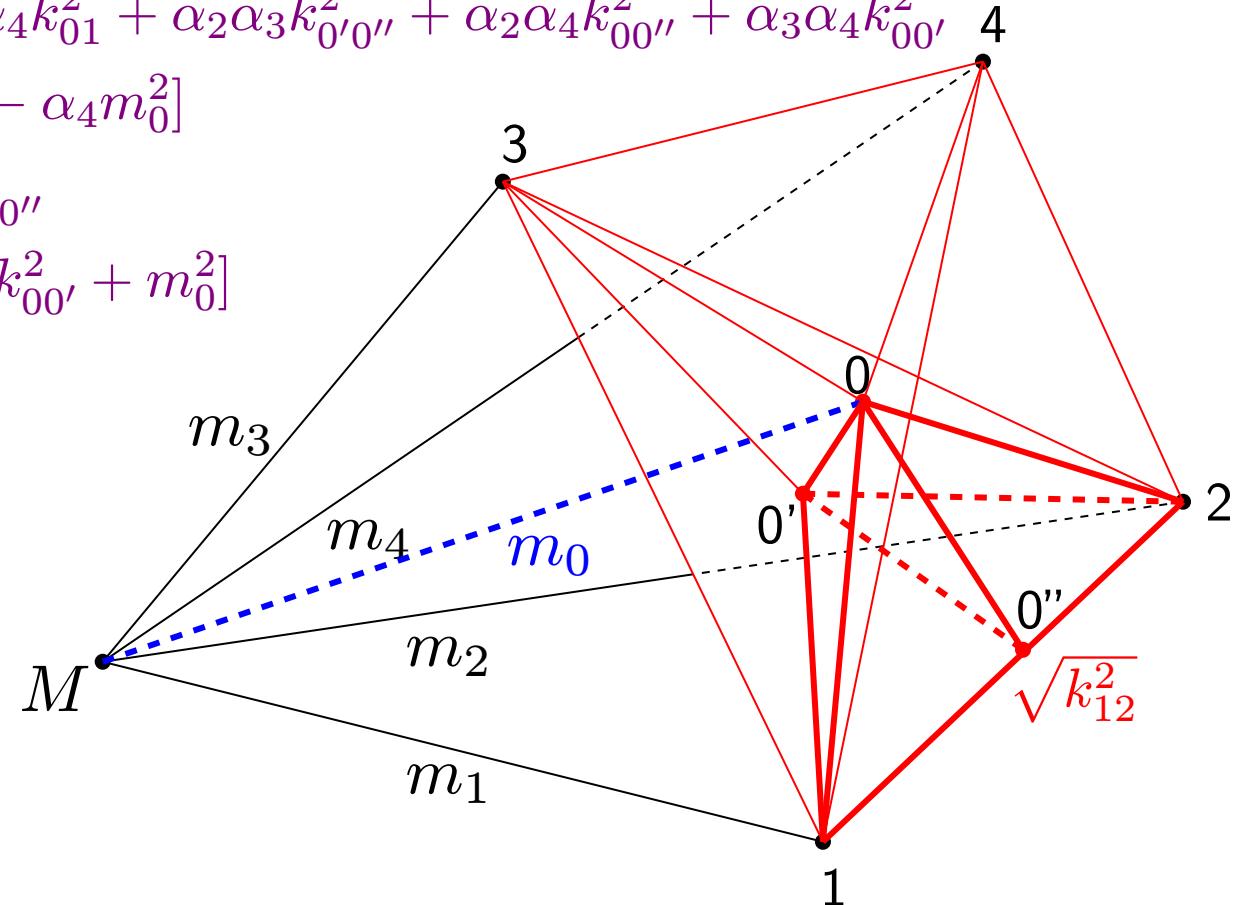
## Four-point function: quadratic form in Feynman parametric integral

in  $J^{(4)}(n; 1, 1, 1, 1 | \{k_{12}^2, k_{23}^2, k_{34}^2, k_{14}^2, k_{13}^2, k_{24}^2\}; \{m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4\})$ :

$$[\alpha_1\alpha_2k_{12}^2 + \alpha_1\alpha_3k_{13}^2 + \alpha_1\alpha_4k_{14}^2 + \alpha_2\alpha_3k_{23}^2 + \alpha_2\alpha_4k_{24}^2 + \alpha_3\alpha_4k_{34}^2 \\ - \alpha_1m_1^2 - \alpha_2m_2^2 - \alpha_3m_3^2 - \alpha_4m_4^2]$$

in  $J^{(4)}(n; 1, 1, 1, 1 | \{k_{10''}^2, k_{0'0''}^2, k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2, k_{00''}^2\}; \{m_1, m_{0''}, m_{0'}, m_0\})$ :

$$[\alpha_1\alpha_2k_{10''}^2 + \alpha_1\alpha_3k_{10'}^2 + \alpha_1\alpha_4k_{01}^2 + \alpha_2\alpha_3k_{0'0''}^2 + \alpha_2\alpha_4k_{00''}^2 + \alpha_3\alpha_4k_{00'}^2 \\ - \alpha_1m_1^2 - \alpha_2m_{0''}^2 - \alpha_3m_{0'}^2 - \alpha_4m_0^2] \\ = -[\alpha_1^2k_{10''}^2 + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2k_{0'0''}^2 \\ + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3)^2k_{00'}^2 + m_0^2]$$



## Four-point function: result in arbitrary dimension

$$\begin{aligned}
 & J^{(4)}(n; 1, 1, 1, 1 | \{k_{10''}^2, k_{0'0''}^2, k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2, k_{00''}^2\}; \{m_1, m_{0''}, m_{0'}, m_0\}) \\
 &= i\pi^{n/2}\Gamma(4-n/2) \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{d\alpha_1 d\alpha_2 d\alpha_3 d\alpha_4 \delta(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 - 1)}{[\alpha_1^2 k_{10''}^2 + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2 k_{0'0''}^2 + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3)^2 k_{00'}^2 + m_0^2]^{4-n/2}} \\
 &= \frac{i\pi^{n/2}\Gamma(3-n/2)}{2k_{0'0''}^2(m_0^2)^{3-n/2}} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{k_{0'0''}^2}{k_{10''}^2}} \arctan \sqrt{\frac{k_{10''}^2}{k_{0'0''}^2}} {}_2F_1 \left( \begin{matrix} 1/2, 3-n/2 \\ 3/2 \end{matrix} \middle| -\frac{k_{00'}^2}{m_0^2} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \left( \frac{m_0^2}{m_{0'}^2} \right)^{2-n/2} F_N \left( 1, 1, 3-n/2, 1/2, (n-3)/2, 1/2; 3/2, 3/2, 3/2 \middle| -\frac{k_{10''}^2}{k_{0'0''}^2}, -\frac{k_{00'}^2}{m_0^2}, -\frac{k_{10'}^2}{m_{0'}^2} \right) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $F_N$  is one of the Lauricella-Saran functions,

$$F_N(a_1, a_2, a_3, b_1, b_2, b_3; c_1, c_2, c_3 | x, y, z) = \sum_{j_1, j_2, j_3} \frac{(a_1)_{j_1} (a_2)_{j_2} (a_3)_{j_3} (b_1)_{j_1+j_3} (b_2)_{j_2}}{(c_1)_{j_1} (c_2)_{j_2+j_3}} \frac{x^{j_1} y^{j_2} z^{j_3}}{j_1! j_2! j_3!}$$

See also in: J. Fleischer, F. Jegerlehner, O.V. Tarasov, Nucl. Phys. **B672** (2003) 303 ( $F_S$  can be transformed into  $F_N$ )

## Reduced number of variables and simplified quadratic forms

	total # of dimensionless variables	# of splitting pieces	reduced # of variables
$N = 2$	$3 - 1 = 2$	2	1
$N = 3$	$6 - 1 = 5$	6	2
$N = 4$	$10 - 1 = 9$	24	3
arbitrary $N$	$\frac{1}{2}(N - 1)(N + 2)$	$N!$	$N - 1$

$$J^{(2)}(n; 1, 1 | k_{01}^2; m_1, m_0) :$$

$$\Rightarrow -[\alpha_1^2 k_{01}^2 + m_0^2]$$

$$J^{(3)}(n; 1, 1, 1 | k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2; m_1, m_{0'}, m_0) :$$

$$\Rightarrow -[\alpha_1^2 k_{10'}^2 + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2 k_{00'}^2 + m_0^2]$$

$$J^{(4)}(n; 1, 1, 1, 1 | \{k_{10''}^2, k_{0'0''}^2, k_{00'}^2, k_{01}^2, k_{10'}^2, k_{00''}^2\}; \{m_1, m_{0''}, m_{0'}, m_0\}) :$$

$$\Rightarrow -[\alpha_1^2 k_{10''}^2 + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^2 k_{0'0''}^2 + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3)^2 k_{00'}^2 + m_0^2]$$

$\Rightarrow$  for  $N > 4$  we should also expect squares of sums of partial sums of  $\alpha$ 's

## Summary

- Geometrical splitting provides straightforward way to reduce general integrals to those with lesser number of independent variables and predict the set and the number of these variables in the resulting integrals; it also allows to derive functional relations between integrals with different momenta and masses.
- Resulting integrals (after splitting) can be calculated either within geometrical approach (by integrating over non-Euclidean simplices), or by going back to the Feynman parametric representation, which becomes greatly simplified due to right-triangle connections between the invariants.
- Explicit results for general  $N$ -point integrals in arbitrary dimension can be presented in terms of hypergeometric functions of  $(N-1)$  variables, in particular:
  - for the 2-point diagram we get the hypergeometric function  ${}_2F_1$ ;
  - for the 3-point diagram we get Appell hypergeometric function  $F_1$ ;
  - for the 4-point diagram we get the Lauricella-Saran function  $F_N$  (which can be transformed into  $F_S$ ).