

New relations for graviton-matter amplitudes

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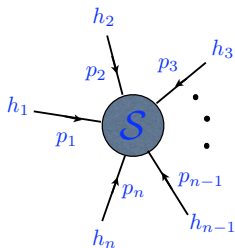


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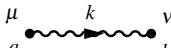
Scattering amplitudes

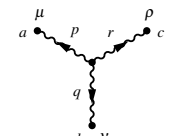


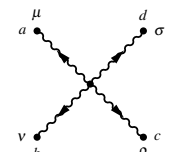
$$\mathcal{A}_n(\{p_i, h_i\}) = \text{probability amplitude for scattering process}$$

Central quantum field theory prediction for collider experiments

Computed via Feynman diagrams:

Propagator  $= \frac{\delta^{ab} \eta_{\mu\nu}}{k^2 + i\epsilon}$ (gluons)

Vertices  $= g f^{abc} \left[(q-r)_\mu \eta_{\nu\rho} + (r-p)_\nu \eta_{\rho\mu} + (p-q)_\rho \eta_{\mu\nu} \right]$



$$= -ig^2 \left[f^{abe} f^{cde} (\eta_{\mu\rho} \eta_{\nu\sigma} - \eta_{\mu\sigma} \eta_{\nu\rho}) + f^{ace} f^{bde} (\eta_{\mu\sigma} \eta_{\rho\nu} - \eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\rho\sigma}) + f^{ade} f^{bce} (\eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\sigma\rho} - \eta_{\mu\rho} \eta_{\sigma\nu}) \right]$$



“Most perfect microscopic objects in the universe” [Dixon]

Since 2005 revolutionary progress in our understanding of scattering amplitudes based on on-shell formulations bypassing Feynman diagrammatic representations

- On-shell recursion relations: BCFW, ...
- Hidden symmetries: (Dual) conformal & Yangian symmetry
- Novel amplitude representations: Scattering eqs. & CHY formalism, Grassmannian picture
- Generalized unitarity: Novel loop techniques
- Duality between Gluons and Gravitons: Kinematical algebra
- String representation of field theory amplitudes
- Subleading factorization theorems
- ...

Developments with impact in both formal theory and phenomenology (and even mathematics).

Here: New results in pure Einstein-Yang-Mills (EYM) and Einstein-QCD (EQCD) amplitudes w/o susy.

1. Brief review of Einstein = $(YM)^2$ double-copy construction
2. EYM from YM amplitudes @ tree-level
3. EQCD from QCD amplitudes @ tree-level
4. EYM @ 1-loop order

Einstein vs. Yang-Mills theory

- On level of action gravity & Yang-Mills theory look rather different:

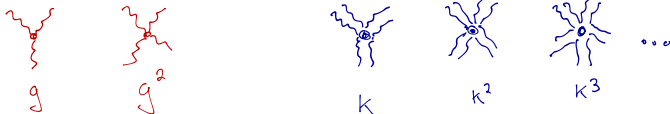
$$S_G = \frac{2}{\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R \qquad S_{YM} = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \text{tr}(F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu})$$

- Perturbative quantization: $g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}$, in Feynman/de Donder gauge

$$\begin{array}{c} a \\ \text{~~~~~} \\ P \\ \text{~~~~~} \\ b \end{array} = \frac{-i\eta_{\mu_a\mu_b}\delta^{ab}}{P^2} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \alpha\beta \\ \text{~~~~~} \\ P \\ \text{~~~~~} \\ \gamma\delta \end{array} = \frac{i P_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}}{P^2}$$


$$P_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = \eta_{\alpha(\beta}\eta_{\gamma)\delta} - \frac{1}{d-2}\eta_{\alpha\beta}\eta_{\gamma\delta}$$

- Vertices:

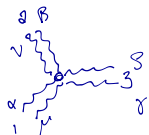


- Yet: Intricate connection between S-matrices exist!

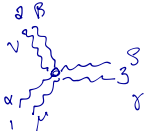
Gravity vs. Yang-Mills: 3pt Vertices

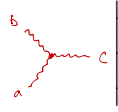
■ YM:  $= -g f^{abc} (\eta_{\mu_a \mu_b} (k_a - k_b)_{\mu_c} + (a,b,c) \text{ cyclic})$

■ GR:

 $= i\kappa \text{sym} [-\frac{1}{2} P_3(k_1 \cdot k_2 \eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\nu\beta} \eta_{\sigma\gamma}) - \frac{1}{2} P_6(k_{1\nu} k_{1\beta} \eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\sigma\gamma}) + \frac{1}{2} P_3(k_1 \cdot k_2 \eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\alpha\beta} \eta_{\sigma\gamma})$
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■ Put graviton legs on-shell: Write $\epsilon_{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_\mu \epsilon_\nu$ and take $\epsilon \cdot p = 0 = p \cdot p$

\Rightarrow  $= i\kappa (\eta_{\mu\nu} (k_1 - k_2)_\rho + \text{cyclic}) (\eta_{\alpha\beta} (k_1 - k_2)_\gamma + \text{cyclic})$

$=$  $\left| \begin{array}{l} f^{abc} \rightarrow -i \frac{\kappa}{g} (\eta_{\alpha\beta} (k_1 - k_2)_\gamma + \text{cyclic}) \end{array} \right.$

\Rightarrow In this sense Gravity = (YM)²!

Color-Kinematic Duality

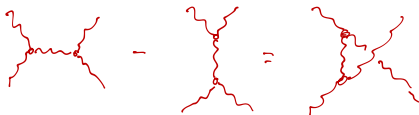
- Pure gluon amplitudes are controlled by hidden kinematical algebra: [Bern, Carrasco, Johansson]

$$\mathcal{A}_n^{(L)} = \sum_{i \in \Gamma_3} \int \frac{d^{L \cdot D}}{(2\pi)^{L \cdot D}} \frac{1}{S_i} \frac{n_i c_i}{\prod_{\alpha} D_{\alpha}}$$

n_i : kinematical numerators
 c_i : Color factors
 D_{α} : inverse propagators
 S_i : Symmetry factor

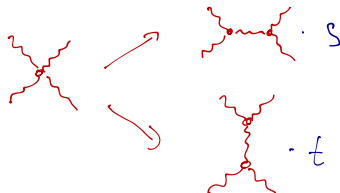
- Color factors and kinematical numerators satisfy identical relations:

$$f^{dac} f^{dbc} - f^{dbc} f^{dac} = f^{abc} f^{dce} \Rightarrow c_i - c_j = c_k$$



Can find representation of $\mathcal{A}_n^{(L)}$ such that also $n_i - n_j = n_k$.

- Four gluon vertex absorbed into cubic graphs:



- Ambiguity of doing so is “generalized gauge transformation” $n_i \rightarrow n_i + \Delta_i$

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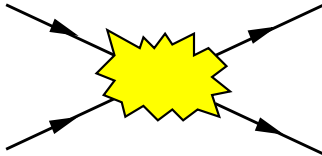
- Numerators n_i and \tilde{n}_i may come from **different** color-kinematic duality respecting theories
- Examples

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{pure YM}) \otimes (\text{pure YM}) &= \text{Einstein gravity} + \text{dilaton} + \text{axion} \\ (\mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ SYM}) \otimes (\mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ SYM}) &= \mathcal{N} = 8 \text{ SUGRA} \end{aligned}$$

- What about **Einstein-Matter amplitudes** w/o susy?

Up to 2016 not much known beyond partial results for **Einstein-Yang-Mills (EYM)** amplitudes of maximally helicity violating (MHV) type [Selivanov][Bern, Freitas
Wong]

Tree level Einstein-Yang-Mills



with D. Nandan, O. Schlotterer, C. Wen

Color decomposition for gluons

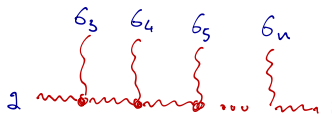
- Express amplitude $\mathcal{A}_n^{\text{tree}}$ in $(n-2)!$ -sized color basis via partial or color ordered amplitudes A^{YM}

$$\mathcal{A}_{n;0}^{\text{tree}}(\{p_i, \epsilon_i, a_i\}) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{n-2}(\{3, \dots, n\})} C(1, 2, \sigma) A^{YM}(1, 2, \sigma).$$

with Del Duca, Dixon, Maltoni (DDM) color factors

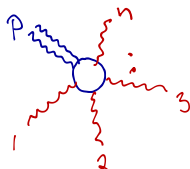
$$C(1, 2, \sigma_3, \dots, \sigma_n) := f^{a_2 a_{\sigma(3)} b_1} f^{b_1 a_{\sigma(4)} b_2} \dots f^{b_{n-3} a_{\sigma(n)} a_1}$$

“half-ladders”



Einstein-Yang-Mills amplitudes

- Graviton - n -gluon scattering with color single trace (=leading order in κ) may also be decomposed in DDM basis



$$= \mathcal{A}_{n;1}^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{n-2}(\{3, \dots, n\})} C(1, 2, \sigma) A^{\text{EYM}}(1, 2, \sigma; p)$$

- Intriguing relation: EYM-amplitude as linear combination of gluon trees [Stieberger
Taylor]

$$A^{\text{EYM}}(1, 2, \dots, n; p) = \frac{\kappa}{g} \sum_{i=2}^n (\epsilon_p \cdot X_i) A^{\text{YM}}(1, 2, \dots, i, p, i+1, \dots)$$

with $X_i = k_{23\dots i} = \sum_{j=2}^i k_j$ ("region momenta") and polarization $\epsilon_p^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_p^\mu \epsilon_p^\nu$

- ▶ First derived from string theory construction
- ▶ Field theory proof [JP,Nandan
Schlotterer,Wen] [de la Cruz
Kniss,Weinzierl] using scattering eq. formalism [Cachazo,He
Yuan]

New EYM to YM relations

- Two gravitons & n gluons from CHY-formalism [Nandan,JP
Schlotterer,Wen]

$$\begin{aligned} A^{\text{EYM}}(1, 2, \dots, n; p, q) = & \\ & \frac{\kappa^2}{g^2} \left[\sum_{1=i \leq j}^{n-1} (\epsilon_p \cdot x_i) (\epsilon_q \cdot x_j) A(1, \dots, i, p, i+1, \dots, j, q, j+1, \dots, n) \right. \\ & - (\epsilon_q \cdot p) \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (\epsilon_p \cdot x_j) \sum_{i=1}^{j+1} A(1, 2, \dots, i-1, q, i, \dots, j, p, j+1, \dots, n) \\ & - \frac{(\epsilon_p \cdot \epsilon_q)}{2} \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} (p \cdot k_l) \sum_{1=i \leq j}^l A(1, 2, \dots, i-1, q, i, \dots, j-1, p, j, \dots, n) \\ & \left. + (p \leftrightarrow q) \right] \end{aligned}$$

- Also up to 4 gravitons single-trace and double trace up to one [Nandan,JP
Schlotterer,Wen]
- Double copy picture [Chiodaroli, Gunaydin
Johansson, Roiban]: $\text{EYM} = \text{YM} \otimes (\text{YM} + \phi^3)$
(up to 5 gravitons and higher traces).
- All multiplicity problem [Fu,Du
Huang,Feng] and multi-trace case [Teng
Feng] solved recursively

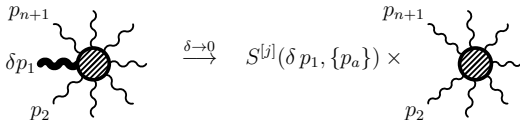
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[Low 1958] [Weinberg 1964]:



Graviton: $A^{\text{EYM}}(1, \dots, n; p) \stackrel{p \rightarrow 0}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\epsilon_p \cdot k_i)^2}{k_i \cdot p} A^{\text{YM}}(1, \dots, n)$

Gluon: $A^{\text{YM}}(\dots, i, p, i+1, \dots) \stackrel{p \rightarrow 0}{=} \left(\frac{\epsilon_p \cdot k_{i+1}}{k_{i+1} \cdot p} - \frac{\epsilon_p \cdot k_i}{k_i \cdot p} \right) A^{\text{YM}}(1, \dots, n)$

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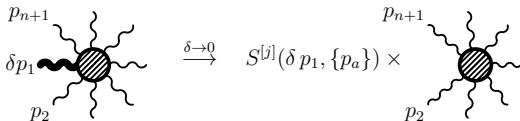
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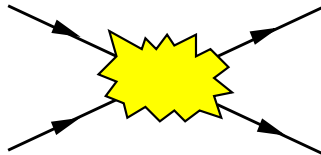
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$k_i = X_i - X_{i-1}$

Tree level Einstein-Matter



with W. Wormsbecher

General matter minimally coupled to gravity?

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{QCD} + \mathcal{L}_{sQCD} + \mathcal{L}_{YM} + \mathcal{L}_{EH} + \mathcal{L}_{GF} + \mathcal{L}_{Ghosts}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{YM} = -\frac{1}{4} \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\rho\sigma}^a$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \sqrt{-g} \bar{\psi} (i\not{D} - m_\psi) \psi$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{sQCD} = \sqrt{-g} \left(g^{\mu\nu} (D_\mu \phi)^\dagger (D_\nu \phi) - m_\phi \phi^\dagger \phi \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{EH} = \frac{2}{\kappa^2} \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu}$$

- Our claim @ tree-level: “Upgrading gluons to gravitons” [Wormsbecher^{JP}]

$$A^{\text{EYM-X}}(1, 2, \dots, n; \underbrace{p}_{\text{graviton}}) = \sum_{i=2}^n (\epsilon_p \cdot k_{2\dots i}) A^{\text{YM-X}}(1, 2, \dots, i, \underbrace{p}_{\text{gluon}}, i+1, \dots)$$

Relation is universal! Other particles $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ may be gluons, complex rep. fermions or scalars.

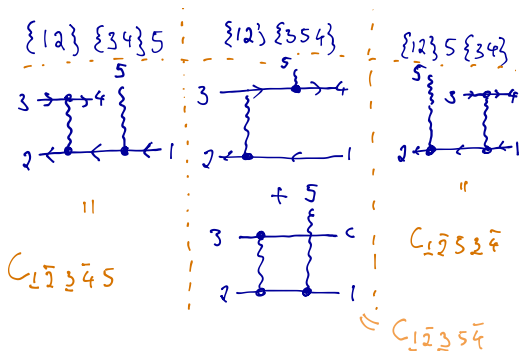
- For concreteness take Einstein-QCD. \Rightarrow Needs to understand color decomposition with fermions (scalars) in representation T_{ij}^a of gauge group.

- Consider generic n -gluon, k -quark, k -anti-quark amplitude: MJO basis

$$\left\{ A(\underline{1}, \bar{2}, \sigma) \mid \sigma \in \text{Dyck}_{k-1} \times \{\text{gluon insertions}\}_{n-2k} \right\}$$

- Dyck word is “well formed bracket” using: $q \rightarrow \{q, \quad \bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{q}\}, \quad g \rightarrow g$

E.g. $n = 5, k = 2$



- QCD amplitude decomposes in MJO basis as

$$A_{n,k}^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{\sigma \in \text{MJO basis}} \chi(n,k) C(\underline{1}, \bar{2}, \sigma) A^{\text{QCD}}(\underline{1}, \bar{2}, \sigma) \quad \chi(n,k) = (n-2)!/k!$$

MJO basis color factors

- Color factors read (l is level of nestedness)

$$C(\underline{1}, \bar{2}, \sigma) = (-)^{k-1} \{2|\sigma|1\} \left| \begin{array}{l} q \rightarrow \{q|T^b \otimes \Xi_{l-1}^b \\ \bar{q} \rightarrow |q\} \\ g \rightarrow \Xi_l^{ag} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Xi_l^a = \sum_{s=1}^l \underbrace{1 \otimes \dots \otimes 1 \otimes T^a \otimes 1 \otimes \dots \otimes 1 \otimes \bar{1}}_l = \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \end{array} \right\} l = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \end{array} + \dots + \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \circ \text{---} \end{array}$$

- The Ξ_l^a obey Lie algebra of gauge group G : $[\Xi_l^a, \Xi_l^b] = f^{abc} \Xi_l^c$

- Example:

$$C_{\underline{1}\bar{2}\bar{3}\bar{4}\bar{5}\bar{6}} = \begin{array}{c} 3 \text{---} \rightarrow 4 \quad 5 \text{---} \rightarrow 6 \\ \downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow \\ 2 \text{---} \leftarrow 1 \end{array}$$

$$= \{2|\{3|T^a \otimes \Xi_1^a|4\} \{5|T^b \otimes \Xi_1^b|6\}|1\} = \dots = (T^b T^a)_{i_1 \bar{i}_2} T^a_{i_3 \bar{i}_4} T^b_{i_5 \bar{i}_6}$$

- Single Graviton- $(n - 2k)$ -Gluon- k $q\bar{q}$ - amplitude color decomposes as (in single color trace sector/leading power in κ)

$$A_{n,k;1}^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{\sigma \in \text{MJO basis}}^{\chi(n,k)} C(\underline{1}, \bar{2}, \sigma) A^{\text{EQCD}}(\underline{1}, \bar{2}, \sigma; p)$$

- Claim

$$A^{\text{EQCD}}(1, 2, \dots, n; p) = \frac{\kappa}{2g} \sum_{i=2}^n (\epsilon_p \cdot X_i) A^{\text{QCD}}(1, 2, \dots, i, p, i+1, \dots).$$

- Proof:

- ▶ **If one buys above as an ansatz** (factorization properties for region momenta going on-shell are obeyed) $\Rightarrow X_i = k_{2\dots i}$ direct consequence of universal soft argument as before
- ▶ **If not:** Diagrammatic analysis ...

Effective vertices

- Upgrading a gluon to a graviton through color-kinematic replacement

The image shows three pairs of Feynman diagrams illustrating the replacement of color factors with kinematic factors:

- Top-left:** A three-gluon vertex (left) is replaced by a three-graviton vertex (right). The color factor f^{apb} is replaced by $-i \frac{\kappa}{2g} (\epsilon_p \cdot k_a) \delta_{ab}$.
- Top-right:** A three-gluon vertex with an incoming gluon \bar{i} and two outgoing gluons j and p is replaced by a three-graviton vertex with the same kinematics. The color factor $(T^p)_{j\bar{i}}$ is replaced by $\frac{\kappa}{2g} (\epsilon_p \cdot k_j) \delta_{mn}$.
- Bottom:** A four-gluon vertex (left) is replaced by a four-graviton vertex (right). The color factor f^{mpn} is replaced by $-i \frac{\kappa}{2g} (\epsilon_p \cdot k_m) \delta_{mn}$.

- It then follows that $\mathcal{A}_{n,k;1}^{\text{EQCD}} = \mathcal{A}_{n+1,k}^{\text{QCD}}|_{\mathcal{R}_p}$ with the color-kinematic replacement rule

$$\mathcal{R}_p := \{ (T^p)_{j\bar{i}} \rightarrow (\epsilon_p \cdot k_j) \delta_{j\bar{i}}, f^{cpb} \rightarrow (\epsilon_p \cdot k_c) \delta_{cb} \}$$

- Moreover, one shows for the MJO color factors the key relation

$$C(\underline{1}, \underline{2}, \sigma_1, p, \sigma_2) \Big|_{\mathcal{R}_p} = (\epsilon_p \cdot k_{2\sigma_1}) C(\underline{1}, \underline{2}, \sigma_1, \sigma_2)$$

This concludes the proof of central claim.

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- Result generalizes to $\text{YM} + N_f$ massive fermions or scalars in D -dimensions.
- $[\text{Fu, Du}, \text{Huang, Feng}]$ results for single trace EYM amplitudes should directly generalize as they are solely built on gauge invariance and BCJ relations.
- \Rightarrow Complete tree-level S-Matrix of Einstein-Matter (single trace) has been reduced to pure matter amplitudes.

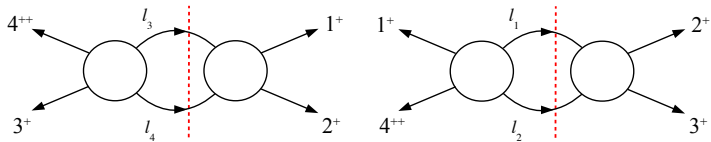
Claim

- E.g. we claim that for two gravitons coupled to matter:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^{\text{EYM-X}}(1, 2, \dots, n; \underbrace{p, q}_{\text{gravitons}}) = & \\
 \frac{\kappa^2}{g^2} \left[\sum_{1=i \leq j}^{n-1} (\epsilon_p \cdot x_i) (\epsilon_q \cdot x_j) A^{\text{YM-X}}(1, \dots, i, \underbrace{p}_{\text{gluon}}, i+1, \dots, j, \underbrace{q}_{\text{gluon}}, j+1, \dots, n) \right. & \\
 - (\epsilon_q \cdot p) \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (\epsilon_p \cdot x_j) \sum_{i=1}^{j+1} A^{\text{YM-X}}(1, 2, \dots, i-1, \underbrace{q}_{\text{gluon}}, i, \dots, j, \underbrace{p}_{\text{gluon}}, j+1, \dots, & \\
 - \frac{(\epsilon_p \cdot \epsilon_q)}{2} \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} (p \cdot k_l) \sum_{1=i \leq j}^l A^{\text{YM-X}}(1, 2, \dots, i-1, \underbrace{q}_{\text{gluon}}, i, \dots, j-1, \underbrace{p}_{\text{gluon}}, j, \dots, & \\
 \left. + (p \leftrightarrow q) \right] &
 \end{aligned}$$

- And higher single trace generalizations. Multi-trace is unclear at this point.

One Loop Einstein-Yang-Mills



with D. Nandan and G. Travaglini

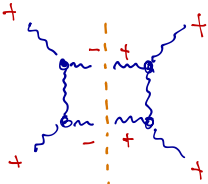
Rational one-loop amplitudes

- Gluon & Graviton amplitudes of same helicity or max. one helicity flip:

$$A_n(\pm, +, +, \dots, +) = M_n(\pm, +, +, \dots, +) = 0$$

Due to hidden **supersymmetry**. True @ tree-level for any QFT! In susy field theories true to **all** loops

- In non-susy theories @ one-loop these amplitudes are finite, rational expressions = look like trees. **Reason**: Unitarity cuts vanish in 4d

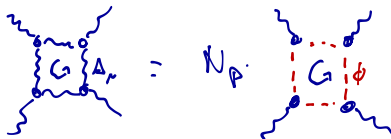

$$= A_{MHV} \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \text{must be finite rational functions}$$

- **Elegant way to construct**: Employ cuts in $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$. Rational term \mathcal{R} in 4D will acquire discontinuity in D dimensions: [\[Bern Morgan\]](#)

$$\mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(-s)^{-\epsilon} = \mathcal{R} [1 - \epsilon \log(-s)] + \dots$$

Computational tricks

- SUSY Ward identity implies:



$$A_n^{\text{any state in loop}}(1, 2, \dots, n) = N_p A_n^{\text{scalar in loop}}(1, 2, \dots, n)$$

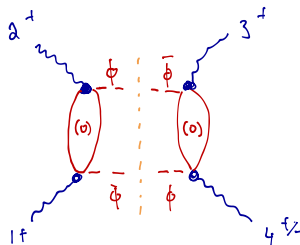
with $N_p = \sum_{\text{d.o.f.}} (-)^F$

- Take scalars to be massive in order to simulate D -dimensions:

$$L^2 = 0 = l_{(4)}^2 - \underbrace{l_{(-2\epsilon)}^2}_{\mu^2} = l_{(4)}^2 - \mu^2$$

Applied in two particle cuts:

- Fuse trees with internal massive complex scalars



- Pure YM: All multiplicity expression [\[Bern,Chalmers Dixon,Kosower\]](#) [\[Mahlon\]](#)

$$A_n^{1\text{-loop}}(1^+, \dots, n^+) = \frac{iN_p}{96\pi^2} \sum_{1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < k_3 < k_4 \leq n} \frac{\langle k_1 k_2 \rangle [k_2 k_3] \langle k_3 k_4 \rangle [k_4 k_1]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \cdots \langle n1 \rangle}$$

- Spinor helicity: $p^\mu \rightarrow p^{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} = \bar{\sigma}_\mu^{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} p^\mu = \lambda^\alpha \tilde{\lambda}^{\dot{\alpha}}$ (makes $p^\mu p_\mu = 0$ manifest)

$$\lambda^\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^0 + p^3}} \begin{pmatrix} p^0 + p^3 \\ p^1 + ip^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\lambda}^{\dot{\alpha}} = (\lambda^\alpha)^\dagger, \quad \langle ij \rangle = \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \lambda_i^\alpha \lambda_j^\beta, \quad [ij] = \epsilon_{\beta\alpha} \tilde{\lambda}_i^\alpha \tilde{\lambda}_j^\beta$$

- State of the art: $A_n^{2\text{-loop}}$ for $n=4$ [\[Bern Dixon,Kosower\]](#) and $n=5$ [\[Henn,Gehrmann Presti, 2016\]](#)
- Similar one-loop results for all multiplicities for single minus helicity:

$$A_n^{1\text{-loop}}(1^-, 2^+, \dots, n^+) \quad \text{[Bern,Dixon Kosower] [Mahlon]}$$

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All rational one-loop EYM amplitudes at 4 pts.

- Compute the leading in κ results for **all** rational four-point EYM amplitudes:

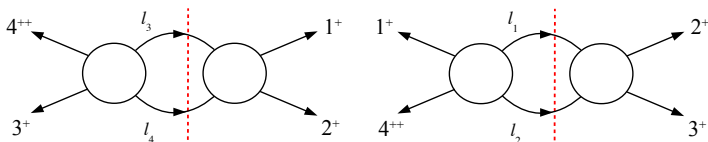
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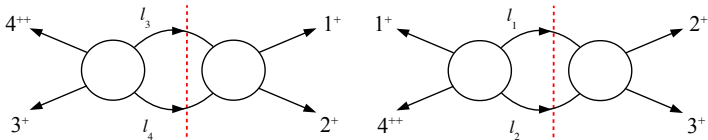
In total 9 amplitudes to compute!

- **Method:** Two-particle cuts

- **Discuss simplest case here:** All plus single graviton: $\langle 1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^{++} \rangle$



Needs the gluon-graviton-massive scalar amplitudes at four points \Rightarrow previous results handy! Follow directly from gluon-scalar amplitudes.



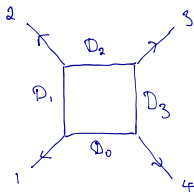
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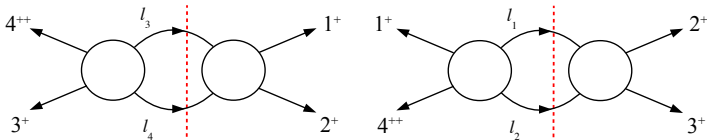
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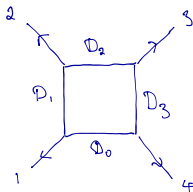
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Same method applied to the other 8 cases yields the compact results:

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$$A^{(1)}(1^-, 2^+, 3^+; 4^{++}) \Big|_{\kappa g^3} = \frac{i}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{[24][34]}{\langle 24 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle} \frac{1}{\langle 23 \rangle [21] [31]} \frac{1}{6} (s^2 + u^2),$$

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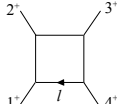
Double copy construction

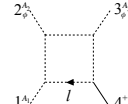
- $A_{\text{EYM}} = A_{\text{YM}} \otimes A_{\text{YM}+\phi^3}$ [Chiodaroli, Gunaydin, Johansson, Roiban]

- YM + ϕ^3 theory has biadjoint scalars $\phi^{A\hat{a}}$ next to the gluons $A_{\mu}^{\hat{a}}$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}+\phi^3} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^{\hat{a}} F^{\mu\nu\hat{a}} + \frac{1}{2} (D_{\mu}\phi^{A\hat{a}})(D^{\mu}\phi^{A\hat{a}}) + \frac{1}{3!} \lambda g F^{ABC} f^{\hat{a}\hat{b}\hat{c}} \phi^{A\hat{a}} \phi^{B\hat{b}} \phi^{C\hat{c}} - \frac{g^2}{4} f^{\hat{a}\hat{b}\hat{d}} f^{\hat{c}\hat{d}\hat{e}} \phi^{A\hat{a}} \phi^{B\hat{b}} \phi^{A\hat{c}} \phi^{B\hat{d}}.$$

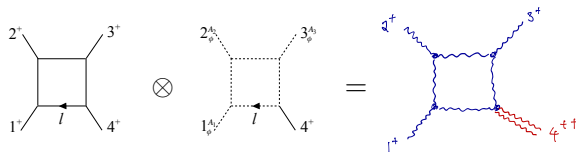
- Redo the $\langle 1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^{++} \rangle$ using double copy:

$$A^{(1)}(1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^+) = \text{Diagram} = \frac{[12][34]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle} \int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^{-2\epsilon} \mu}{(2\pi)^{-2\epsilon}} \frac{\mu^4}{D_0 D_1 D_2 D_3}$$


$$A^{(1)}(1_{\phi}^{A_1}, 2_{\phi}^{A_2}, 3_{\phi}^{A_3}, 4^+) \Big|_{\text{boxes}} = \text{Diagram} =$$


$$i \int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^{-2\epsilon} \mu}{(2\pi)^{-2\epsilon}} \frac{f^{A_1 A_2 A_3}}{D_0 D_1 D_2 D_3} \frac{\langle q|l|4 \rangle}{\langle q4 \rangle} + \text{cycl}(1,2,3).$$

Double copy construction of $\langle 1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^{++} \rangle$



- Double copy:

$$A^{(1)}(1_{A_1}^+, 2_{A_2}^+, 3_{A_3}^+, 4^{++}) = if^{A_1 A_2 A_3} \frac{[12][34]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle} \int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^{-2\epsilon} \mu}{(2\pi)^{-2\epsilon}} \frac{\mu^4}{D_0 D_1 D_2 D_3} \frac{\langle q|l|4 \rangle}{\langle q4 \rangle} + \text{cycl}(1,2,3)$$

- Indeed integrates to zero in 4D as well!

Tree level Einstein-YM-Matter amplitudes reduced to YM-Matter ones

- Yukawa and ϕ^n -couplings also possible from diagrammatics. No known color basis.
- Multi-trace tree-amplitudes?
- Loop level implications?

All Rational one-loop Einstein-Yang-Mills @ 4 points computed

- MHV amplitudes?
- Gravitons in the loop? \Rightarrow higher κ -orders. Do zeros persist?
- General multiplicity results?

Thank you!