

# UNIVERSAL FOUR-DIMENSIONAL REPRESENTATION OF HIGGS BOSON TO TWO PHOTONS AT TWO LOOPS THROUGH THE LOOP-TREE DUALITY

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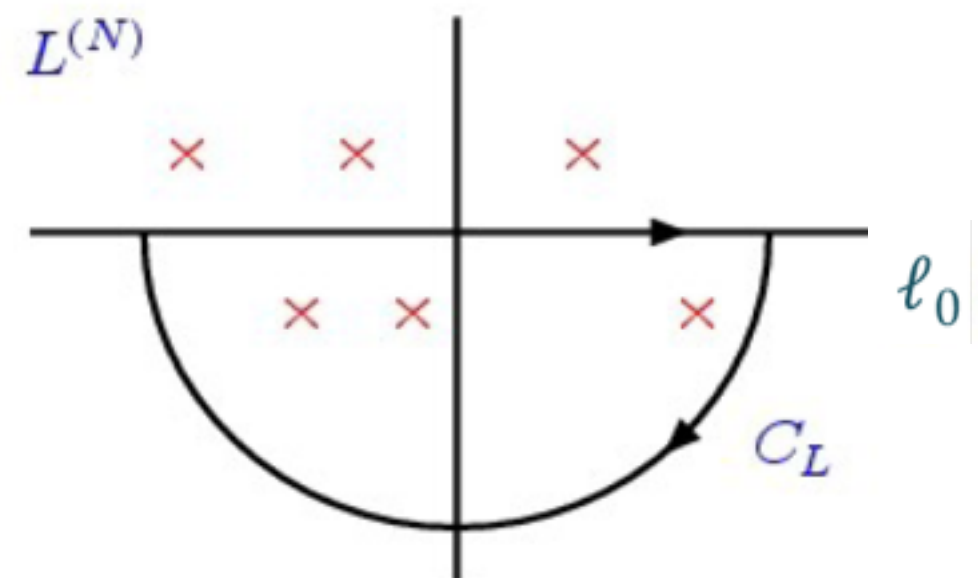
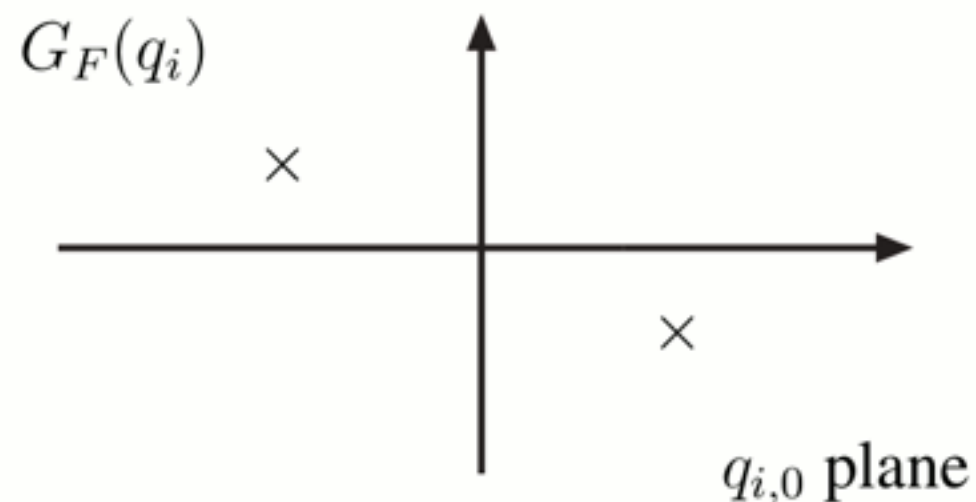
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# I. The Loop-Tree Duality theorem at one loop

## THE LOOP-TREE DUALITY THEOREM

### Cauchy residue theorem

in the loop energy complex plane



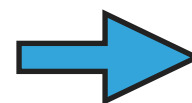
### Feynman Propagator **+i0**:

positive frequencies are propagated forward in time, and negative backward.

$$G_F(q_i) = \frac{1}{q_i^2 - m_i^2 + i0}$$

$$q_i = \ell + \sum_{k=1}^i p_k$$

selects residues with definite **positive energy** and **negative imaginary part** (indeed in any coordinate system)



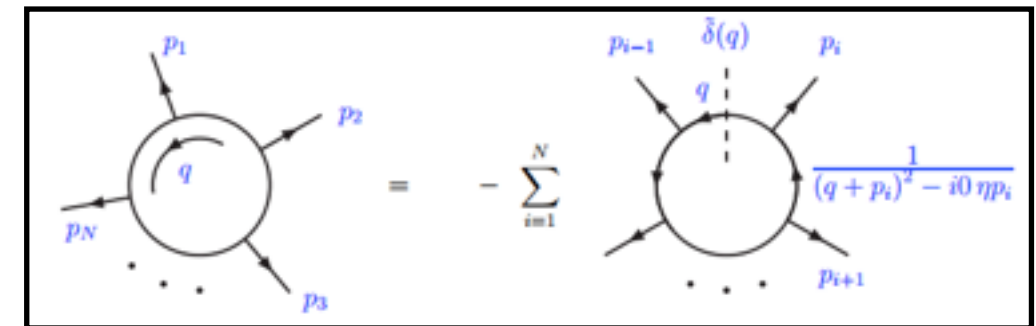
$$q_{i,0} = \pm \sqrt{\mathbf{q}_i^2 + m_i^2 - i0}$$

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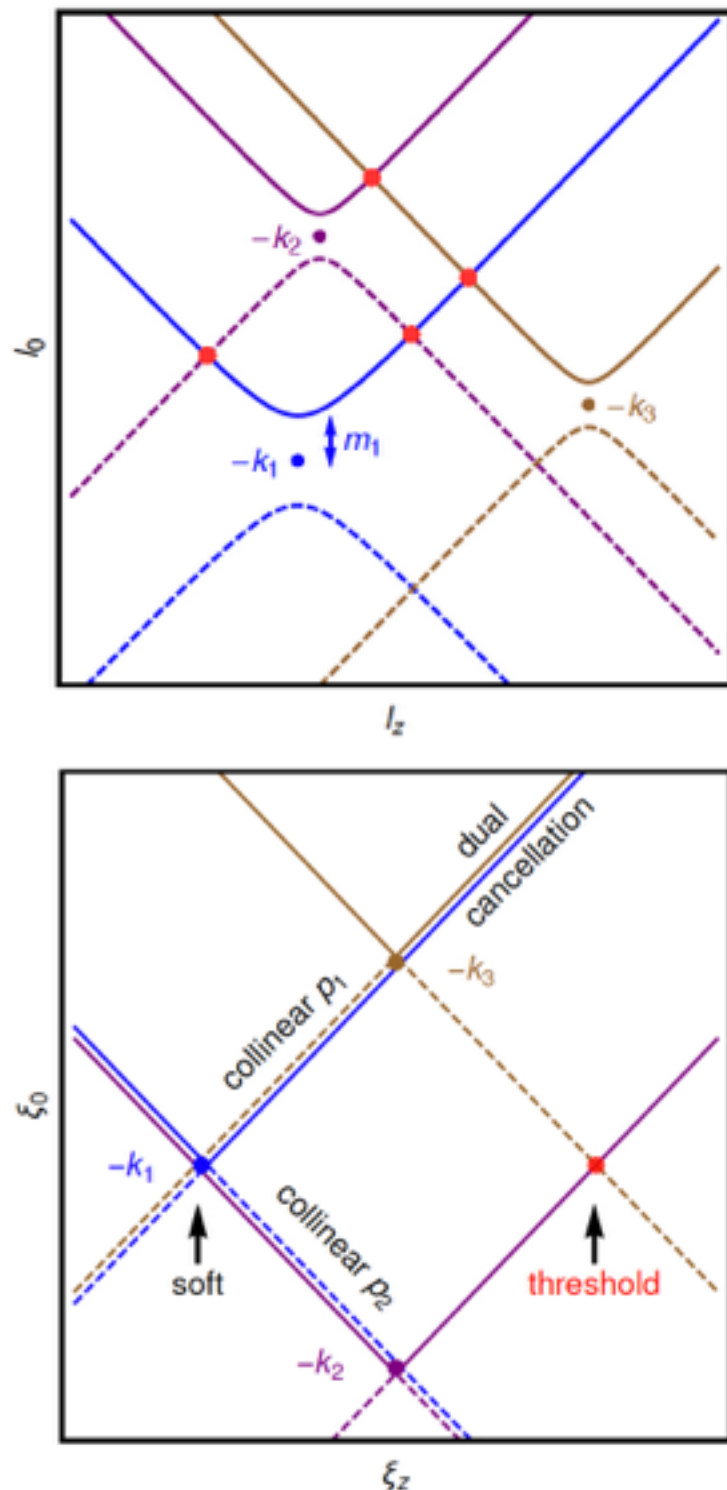
One-loop integrals (or scattering amplitudes in any relativistic, local and unitary QFT) represented as a linear combination of  $N$  **single-cut phase-space** integrals

$$\int_{\ell} \prod_i G_F(q_i) = - \sum_i \int_{\ell} \tilde{\delta}(q_i) \prod_{j \neq i} G_D(q_i; q_j)$$



- ▶  $\tilde{\delta}(q_i) = i 2\pi \theta(q_{i,0}) \delta(q_i^2 - m_i^2)$  sets internal line on-shell, positive energy mode
- ▶  $G_D(q_i; q_j) = \frac{1}{q_j^2 - m_j^2 - i0 \eta k_{ji}}$  **dual propagator**,  $k_{ji} = q_j - q_i$
- ▶ LTD realized by **modifying the customary +i0 prescription** of the Feynman propagators, it compensates for the absence of **multiple-cut** contributions that appear in the **Feynman Tree Theorem**
- ▶ **Lorentz-covariant dual prescription** with  $\eta$  a **future-like** vector; from now on,  $\eta^\mu = (1, \mathbf{0})$
- ▶ Integration domain now **Euclidean**, with the integration variable being the loop three-momentum

## SINGULARITIES OF THE DUAL INTEGRANDS



- ▶ **LTD**: Equivalent to integrating along **forward** on-shell hyperboloids/light-cones (positive energy modes)
- ▶ The dual loop integrand becomes singular when **more than one** internal propagators go on-shell while integrating
- ▶ **Cancellations** of singularities among dual amplitudes at **forward-forward intersections**: dual **+i0** prescription change signs (proof of consistency)
- ▶ IR and threshold singularities illustrated by **forward-backward intersections**

IR and threshold singularities are restricted to a **compact region** of the loop three-momentum

## EXPLICIT EXAMPLE: THE SCALAR THREE-POINT FUNCTION

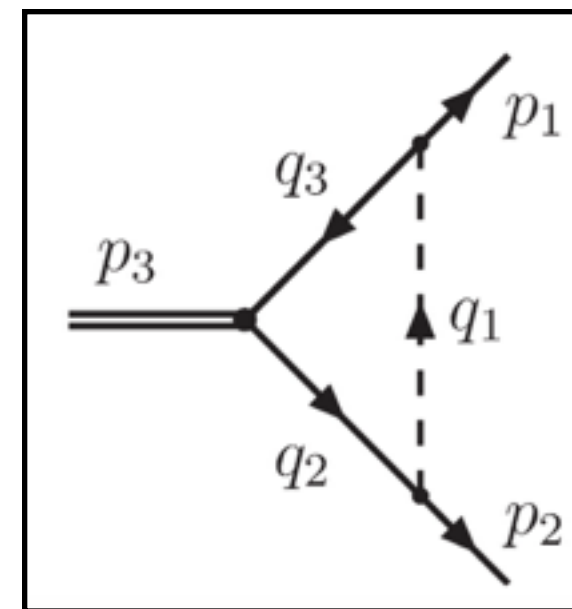
$$L^{(1)}(p_1, p_2, -p_3) = \int_{\ell} \prod_{i=3}^N G_F(q_i) = \sum_{i=1}^3 I_i$$

↑  
LTD

$$I_1 = \frac{4}{s_{12}} \int \frac{\xi_{1,0}^{-1} d[\xi_{1,0}] d[v_1]}{1 - (1 - 2v_1)^2 \beta^2}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{2}{s_{12}} \int \frac{\xi_{2,0}^{-1} \xi_2^2 d[\xi_2] d[v_2]}{(1 - \xi_{2,0} + i0)(\xi_{2,0} + \beta \xi_2 (1 - 2v_2) - m^2)}$$

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Modulus of the loop three-momentum

$$d[\xi_i] = \frac{(4\pi)^{\epsilon-2}}{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)} \left( \frac{s_{12}}{\mu^2} \right)^{-\epsilon} \xi_i^{-2\epsilon} d\xi_i$$

$$d[v_i] = v_i (1 - v_i)^{-\epsilon} dv_i$$

Polar angle of the loop three-momentum

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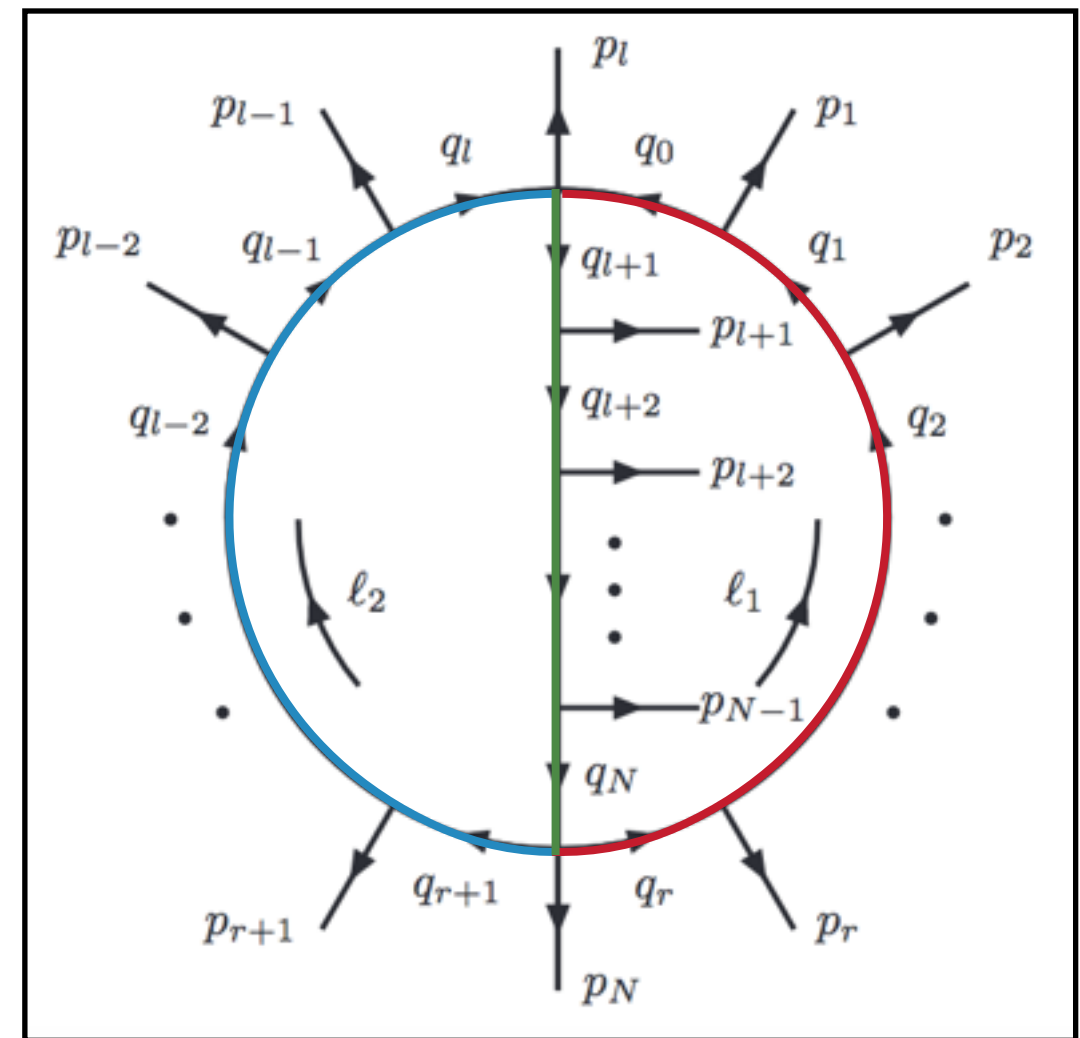


# GENERALIZATION OF THE LTD THEOREM AT TWO LOOPS

- Consider three sets of momenta

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_1 = \{\ell_1 + p_i, & i \in \{0, \dots, r\}\} & \bullet \\ \alpha_2 = \{\ell_2 + p_i, & i \in \{r+1, \dots, l\}\} & \bullet \\ \alpha_3 = \{\ell_1 + \ell_2 + p_i, & i \in \{l+1, \dots, N\}\} & \bullet \end{cases}$$

- Two loops means... cutting twice: we need to impose two conditions on the couple  $(\ell_1, \ell_2)$ .
- The idea is therefore to put on shell two particles belonging to two different sets



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- ▶ For a given set  $\alpha_k$ , or a union of sets, we introduce

$$G_F(\alpha_k) = \prod_{i \in \alpha_k} G_F(q_i) , \quad G_D(\alpha_k) = \sum_{i \in \alpha_k} \tilde{\delta}(q_i) \prod_{\substack{j \in \alpha_k \\ j \neq i}} G_D(q_i; q_j)$$

- ▶ It is possible to show that these functions fulfill the following identity...

$$G_D(\alpha_i \cup \alpha_j) = G_D(\alpha_i) G_D(\alpha_j) + G_D(\alpha_i) G_F(\alpha_j) + G_F(\alpha_i) G_D(\alpha_j)$$

- ▶ ... which allows to iteratively extend LTD to two loops, and even beyond

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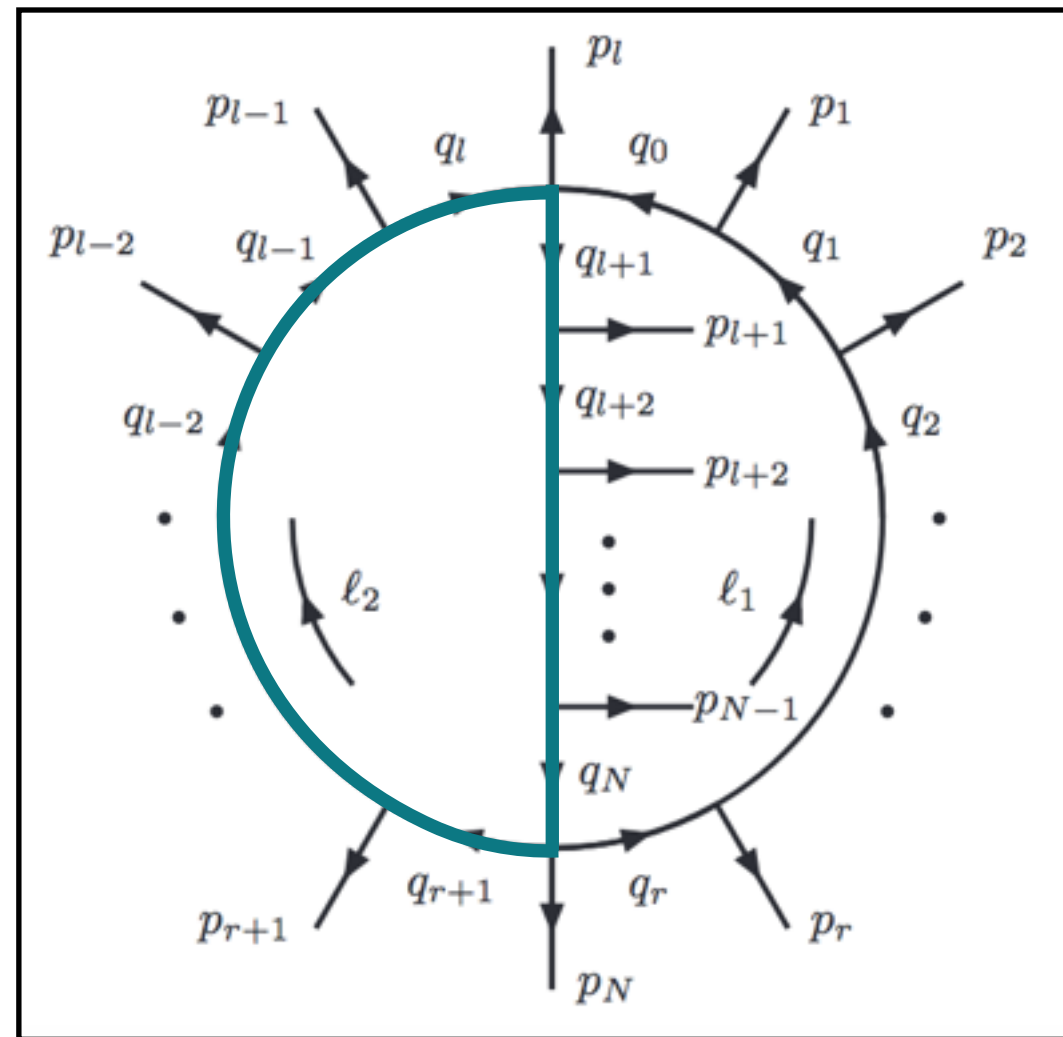
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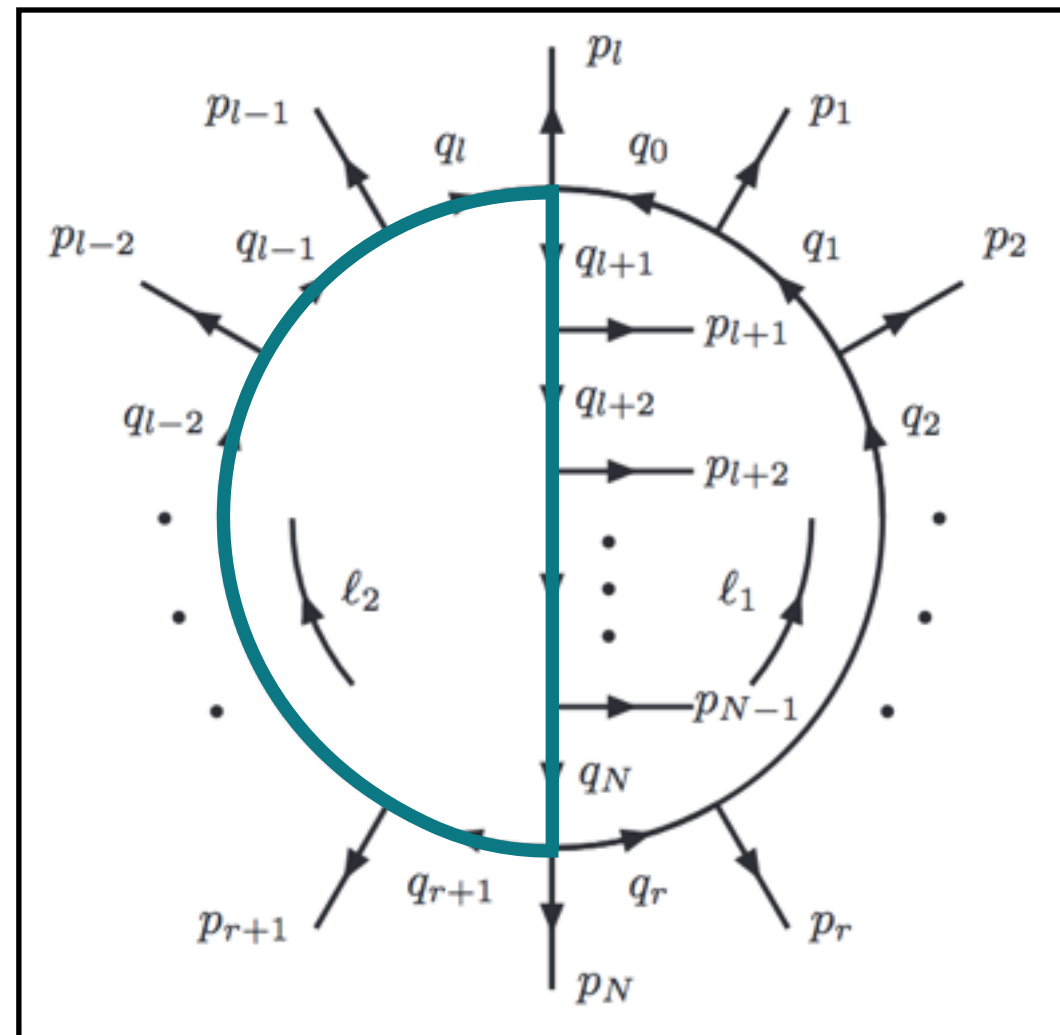
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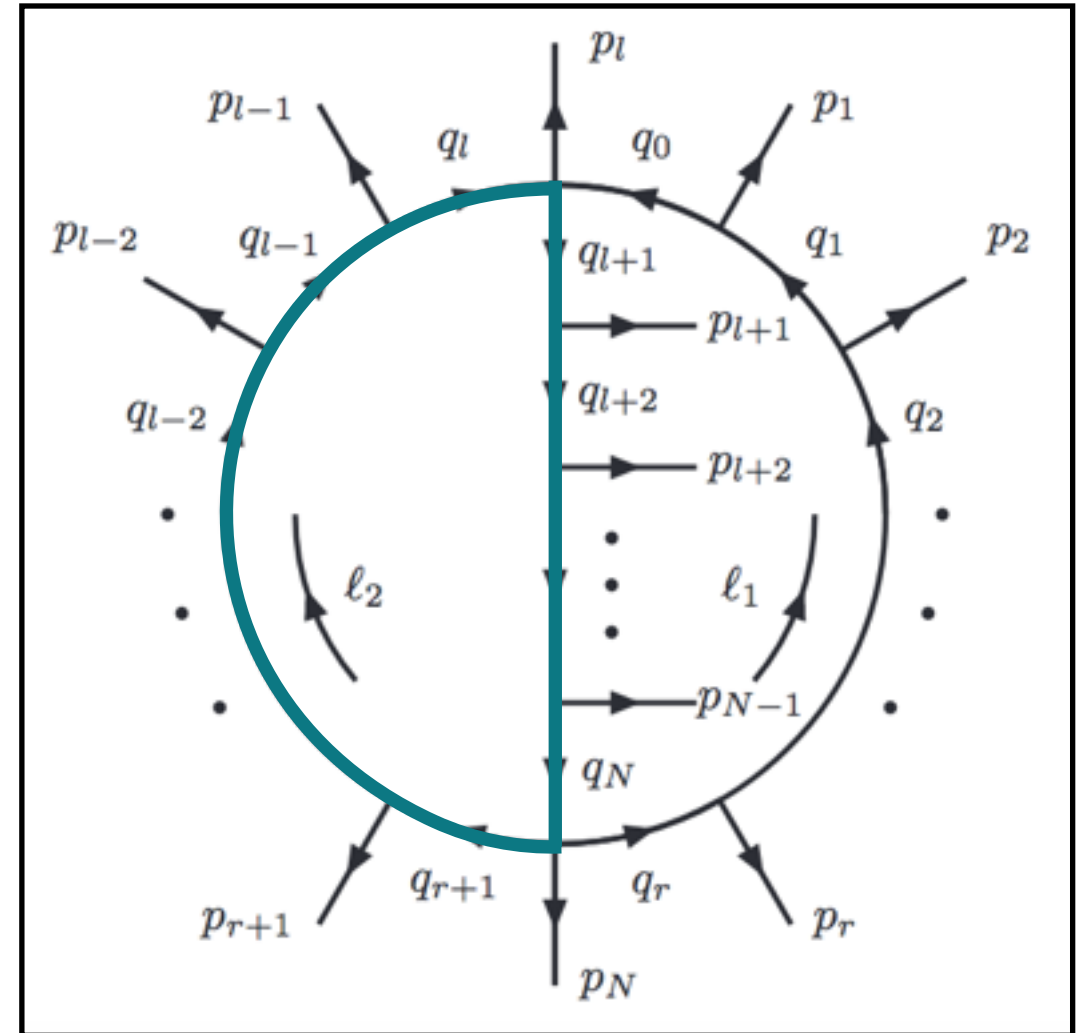
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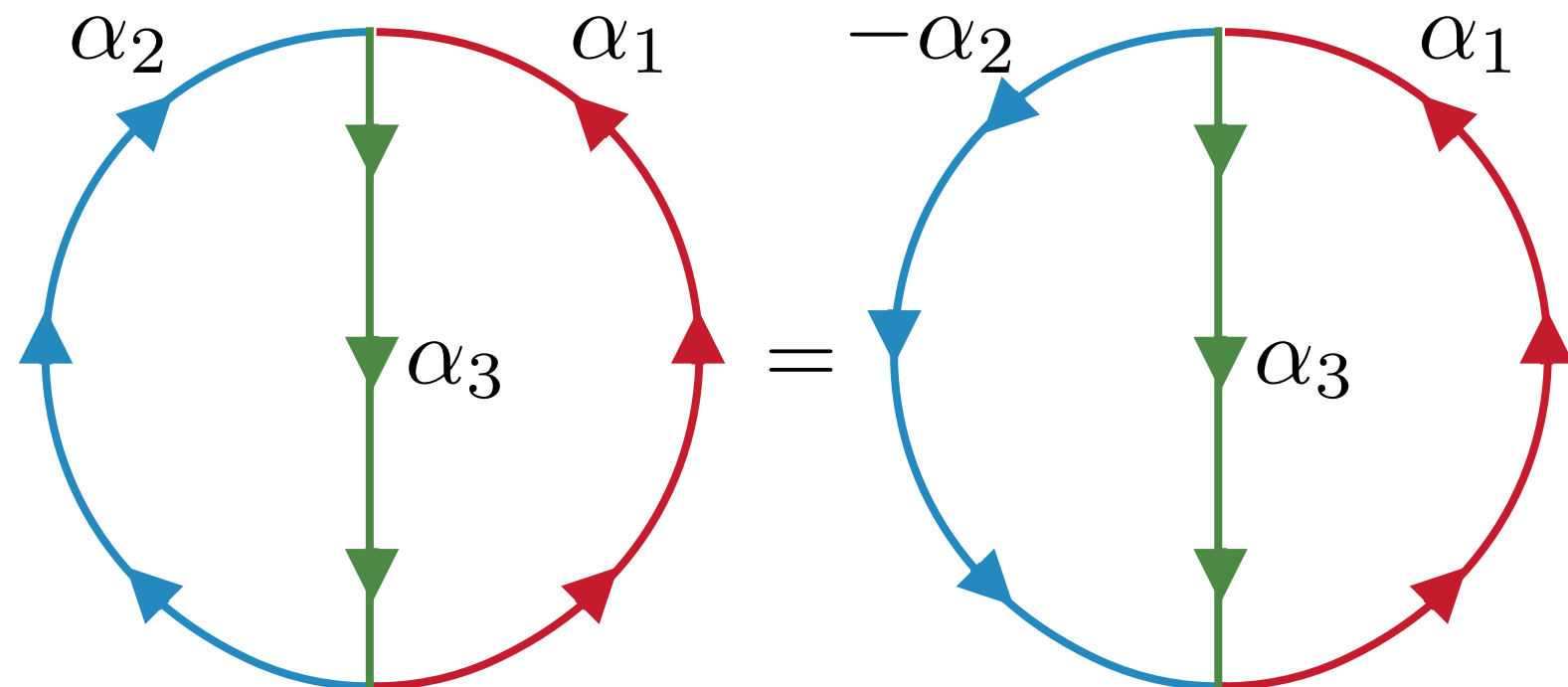
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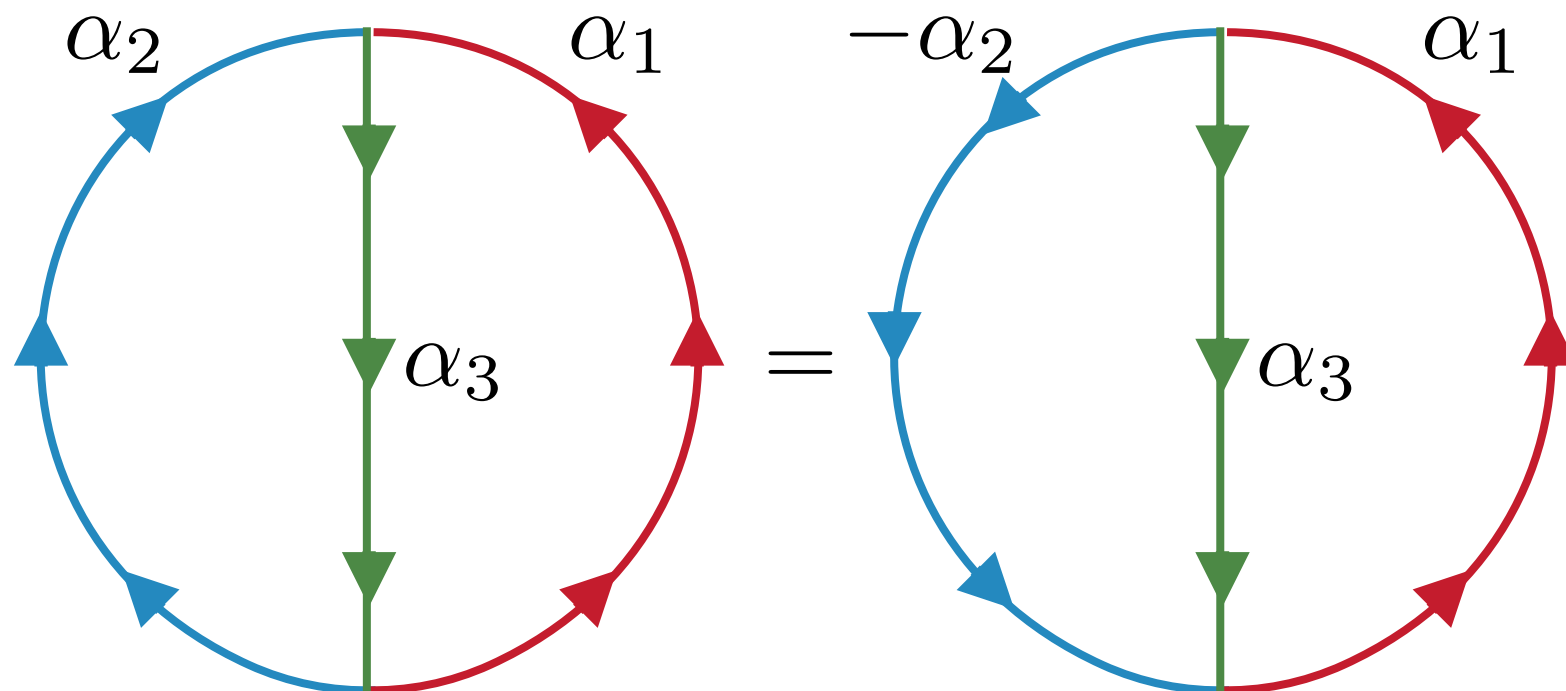
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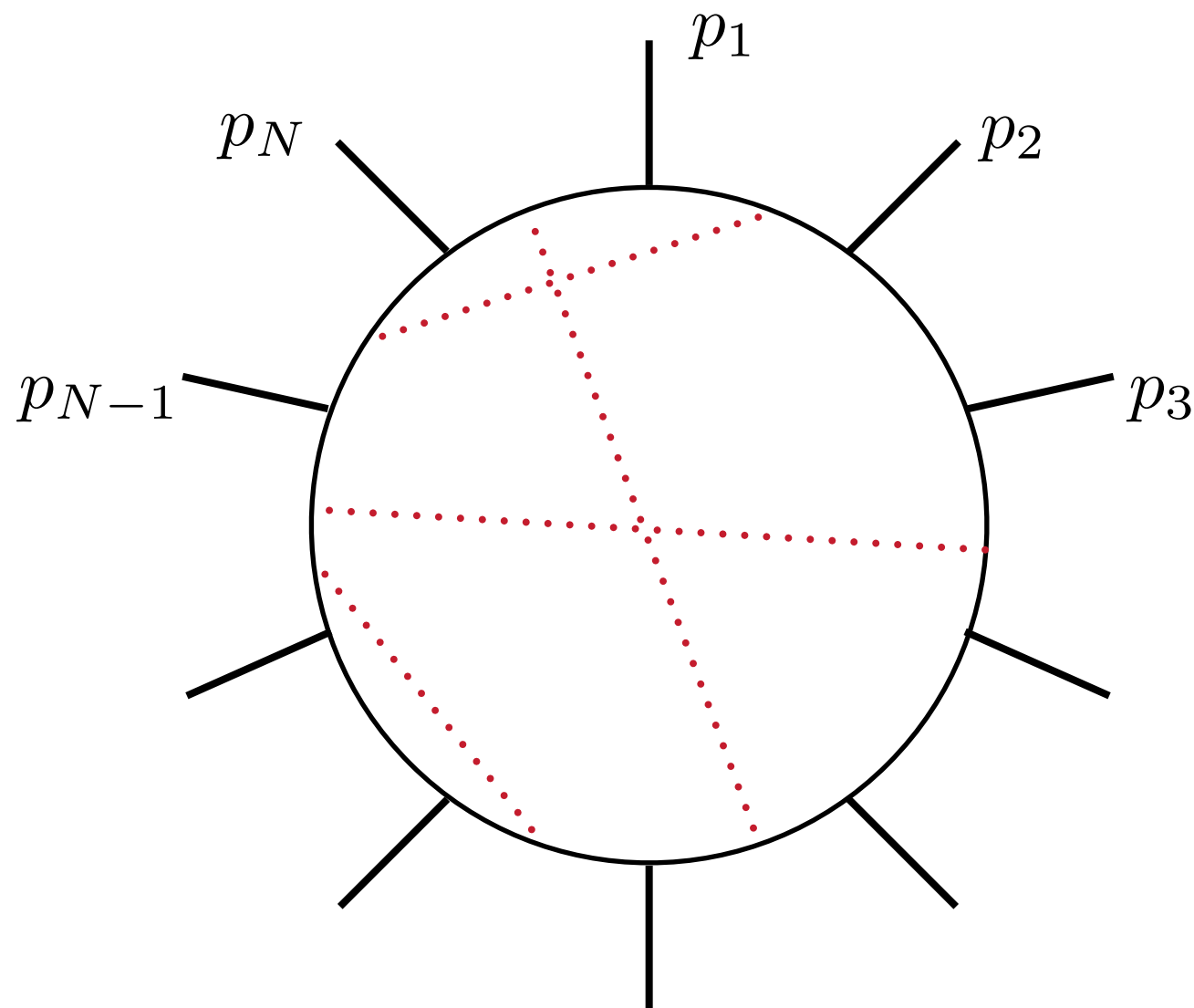


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 There are as many dual propagators as scalar products

- ▶ It is therefore possible to rewrite the numerators in terms of dual propagators, and this **in a unique way**

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- ▶ We can rewrite any planar two-loop integrand  $\mathcal{A}_N^{(2)}(\ell_1, \ell_2, \{p_i\}_N)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_N^{(2)} &= \int_{\ell_1} \int_{\ell_2} \mathcal{N}(\ell_1, \ell_2, \{p_i\}_N) G_F(\alpha_1 \cup \alpha_2 \cup \alpha_3) + \text{perm.} && \text{(Before cutting)} \\ &= \int_{\ell_1} \int_{\ell_2} \sum_{j,k} \left[ \frac{c_{a_0; a_1, \dots, a_{2N-1}}(\{p_i\}_N)}{(\kappa_j)^{a_0} (d_{i_1})^{a_1} (d_{i_2})^{a_2} \dots (d_{i_{2N-1}})^{a_{2N-1}}} \right] \tilde{\delta}(q_j, q_k) + \text{perm.} && \text{(After cutting)} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ The idea is to rearrange the expressions of the dual cuts so we have the minimum amount of independent coefficients  $c_{a_0; a_1, \dots, a_{2N-1}}$

## III. Procedure for local renormalisation at two-loop order



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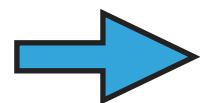
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We need to subtract the double UV limit  
(when both loop momenta go to infinity)

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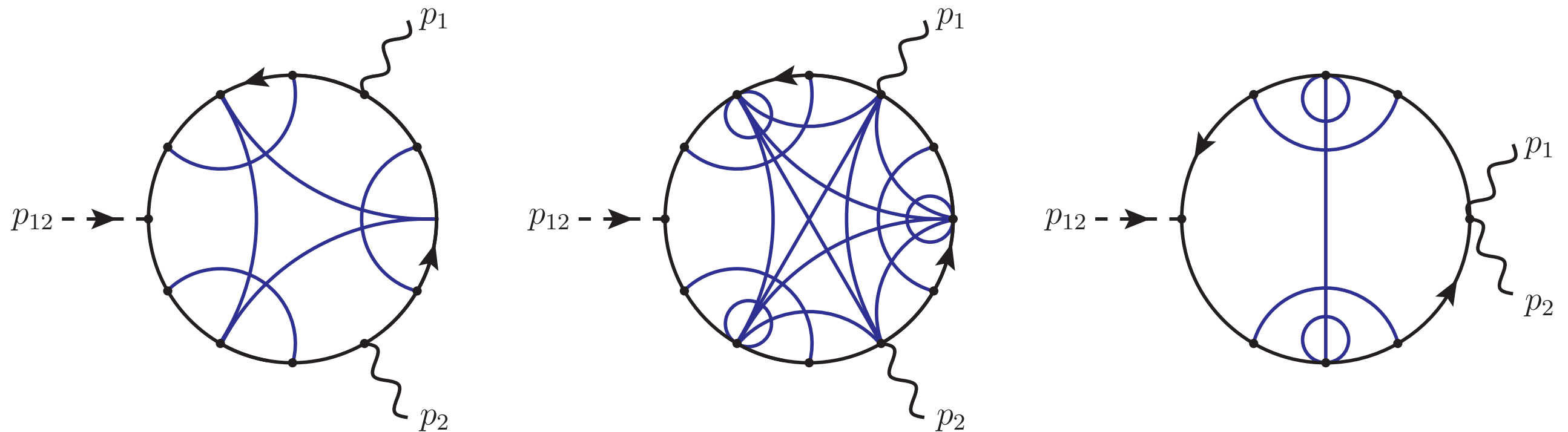


## TWO-LOOP PROCEDURE (DOUBLE UV)

- ▶ This iterative way is similar to what is done in DREG, but you **don't need to integrate anything** to compute the actual counter-terms
- ▶ In addition to fixing the potential additional singularities introduced by  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ ,  $C_{12}$  **also removes singularities occurring when**  $(\ell_1, \ell_2) \rightarrow (\infty, \infty)$
- ▶  $I_{ren} = I - C_1 - C_2 - C_{12}$  is therefore completely free of any UV singularity, and, after applying LTD, **can safely be integrated in four dimensions!**

### IV. Application to $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ at two loops

## “NON-MIXED” QED CORRECTIONS



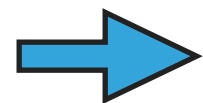
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37 diagrams with a charged scalar as the internal particle

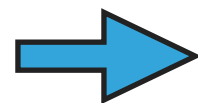
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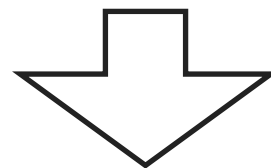
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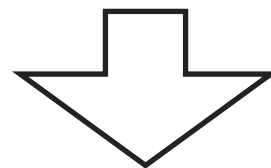
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- ▶ The  $c_i^{(f)}$  are scalar coefficients and depend only on the reduced mass  $r_f = \frac{s_{12}}{M_f^2}$  and the dimension  $d$ , while the  $D_i$  are normalized dual propagators

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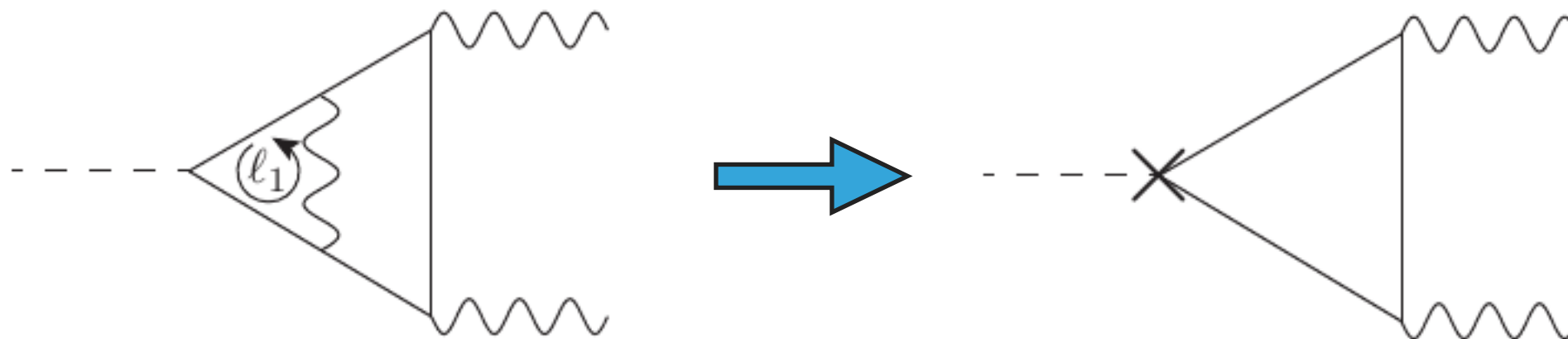
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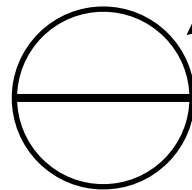
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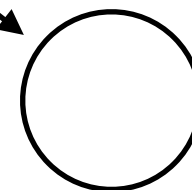
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Sunrise diagram with  
vanishing external momenta



Massive tadpole



- By replacing the integrals by their values in  $d$  dimensions, we can choose  $d_{\text{UV}^2}^{(f)}$  to fix the renormalisation scheme

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- ▶ Even though they do not actually *renormalise* anything, their presence is still necessary to remove **local double UV divergences**
- ▶ This is very similar to the one-loop case: it is finite, but still requires the presence of a local counter-term to obtain the correct result

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- ▶ We use the following parametrizations for the amplitude

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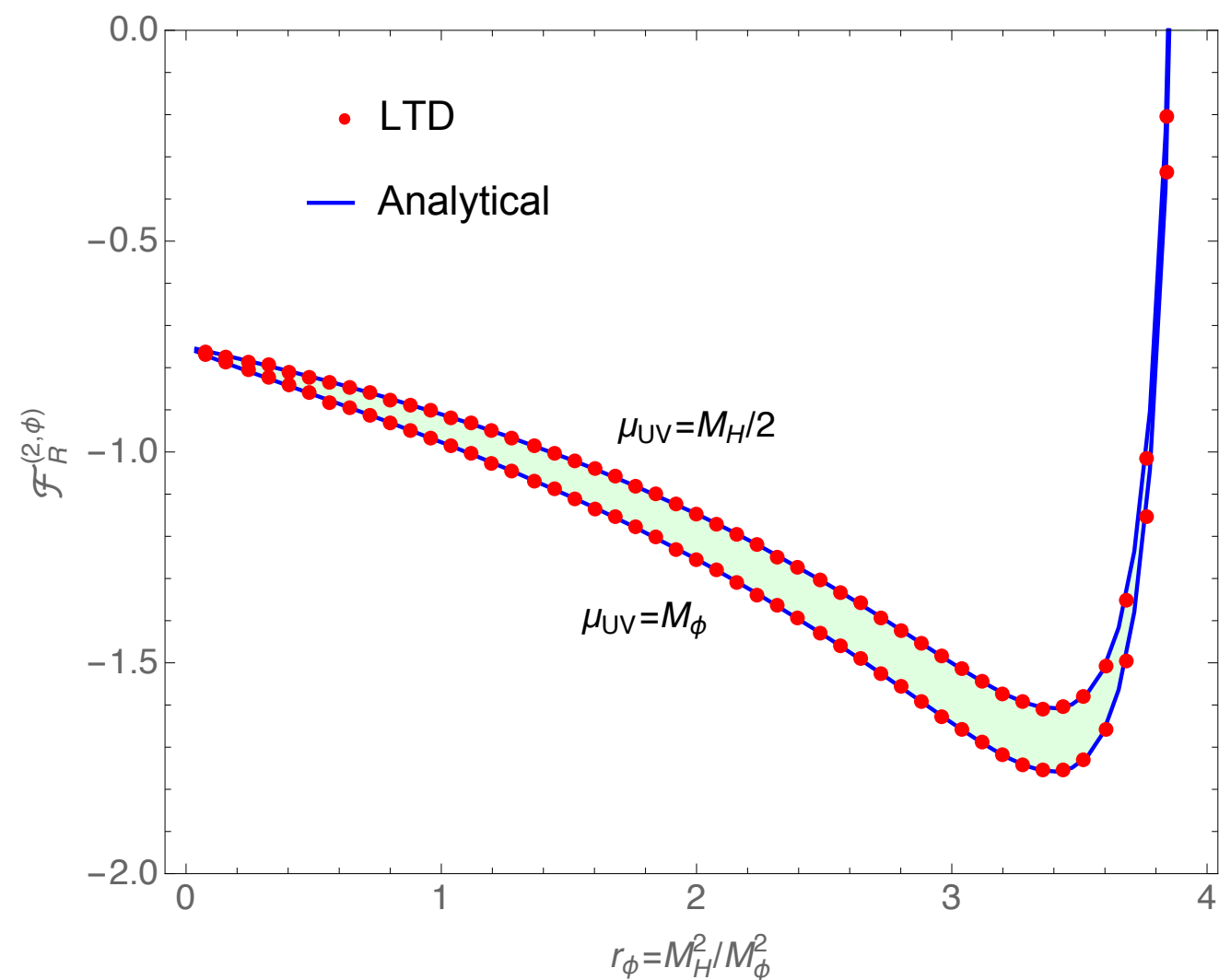
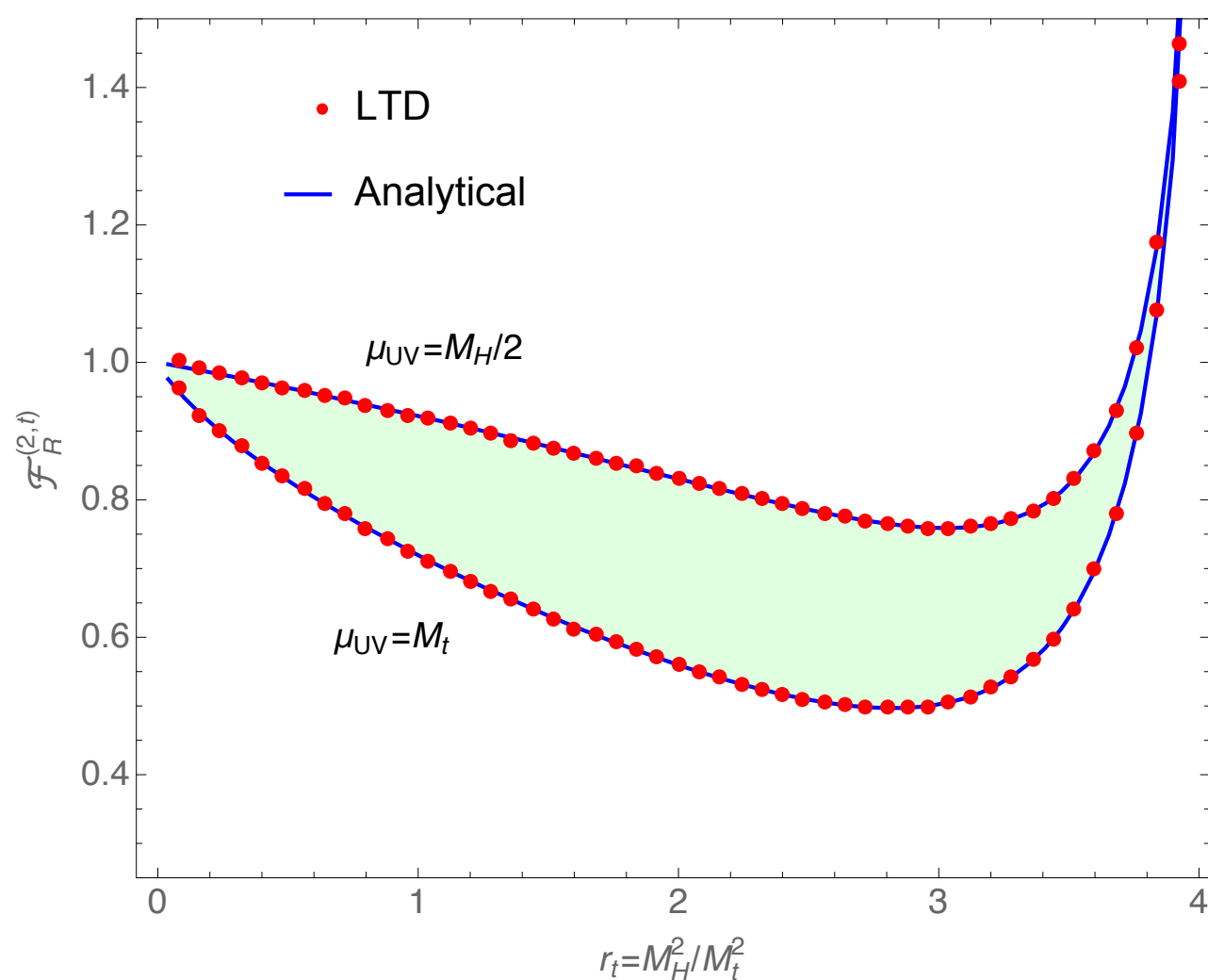
$$\mathbf{p}_1 = \frac{\sqrt{s_{12}}}{2} (0, 0, 1)$$

$$\mathbf{p}_2 = \frac{\sqrt{s_{12}}}{2} (0, 0, -1)$$

- ▶ And we compactify the integration domain by using the change of variables

$$\xi_i \rightarrow \frac{x_i}{1 - x_i} \quad \text{for} \quad x_i \in [0, 1]$$

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Results in the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme, with two different values of the renormalisation scale

Integration time (with Mathematica on a desktop computer) is  $\mathcal{O}(1')$  for each point

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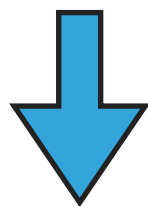
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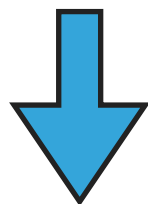
# DEALING WITH THE SINGULARITIES

Infrared singularities

$$(|\ell| \rightarrow 0 \text{ and } \ell \parallel p_i)$$



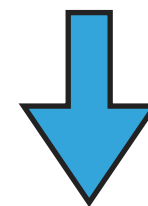
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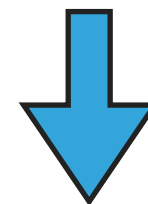
Mapping real kinematics  
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Ultraviolet singularities

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Dealt with  
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**In Region  $i$ :**  
 $(q_i || p_i)$

$$\begin{aligned} p'_r &= q_i , & p'_i &= p_i - q_i + \alpha_i p_j \\ p'_j &= (1 - \alpha_i) p_j , & p'_k &= p_k \end{aligned}$$

# BUILD LOCAL UV COUNTER-TERMS

- ▶ Expand the **uncut and unintegrated** amplitude around the UV propagator

$$G_F(q_i) = \frac{1}{q_{UV}^2 - \mu_{UV}^2 + i0} + \dots \quad q_{UV} = \ell + k_{UV}$$

- ▶ By choosing  $k_{UV} = 0$ , this is equivalent to applying the following replacement...

$$\begin{cases} \ell^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 q_{UV}^2 + (1 - \lambda^2) \mu_{UV}^2 \\ \ell \cdot p_i \rightarrow \lambda q_{UV} \cdot p_i \end{cases}$$

- ▶ ... and then expanding around  $\lambda$  and taking only the divergent terms

- ▶ For the scalar two-point function

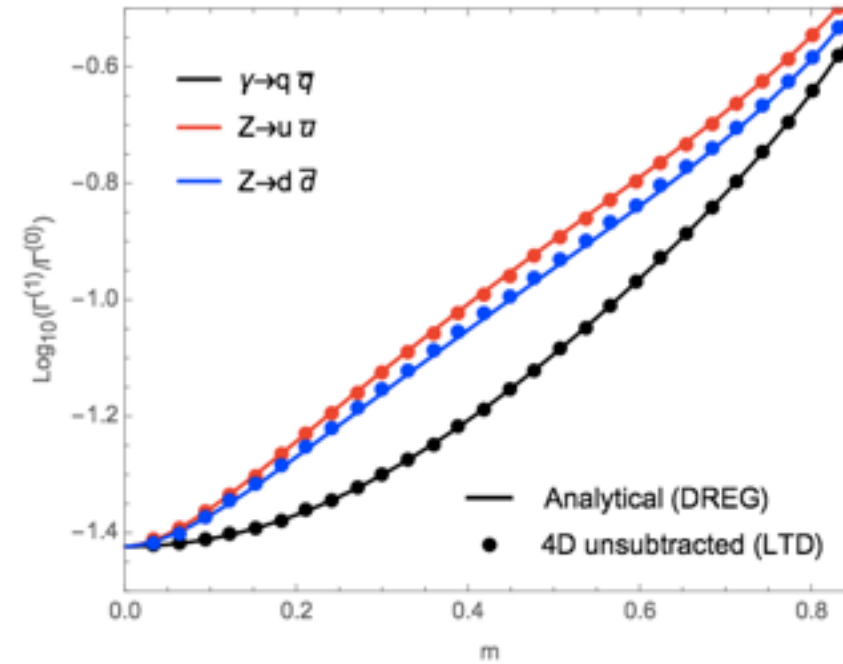
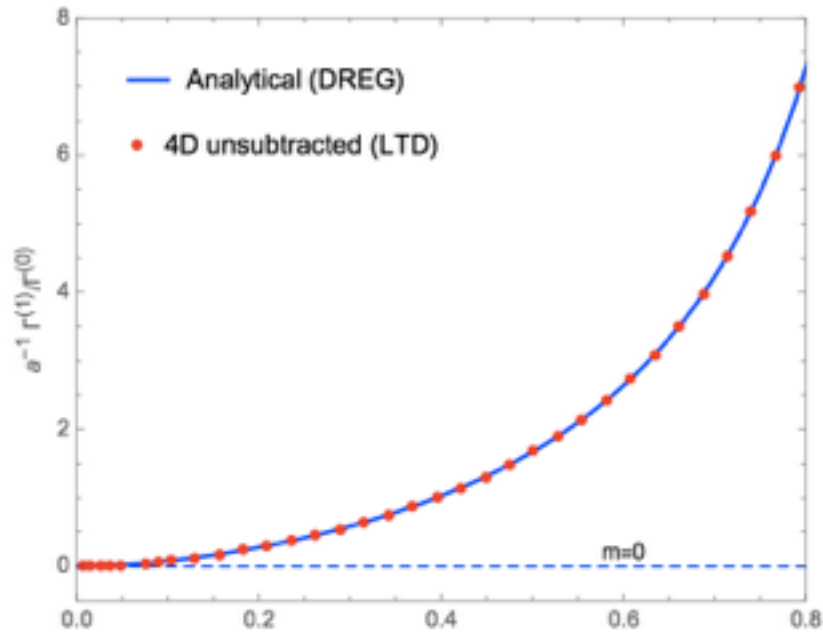
$$I = \int_{\ell} \frac{1}{(\ell^2 - M^2 + i0)((\ell + p)^2 - M^2 + i0)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad I_{UV}^{\text{cnt}} = \int_{\ell} \frac{1}{(q_{UV}^2 - \mu_{UV}^2 + i0)^2}$$

- ▶ Apply LTD on this local counter-term, and subtract it from the amplitude

## II. THE FOUR-DIMENSIONAL UNSUBTRACTION

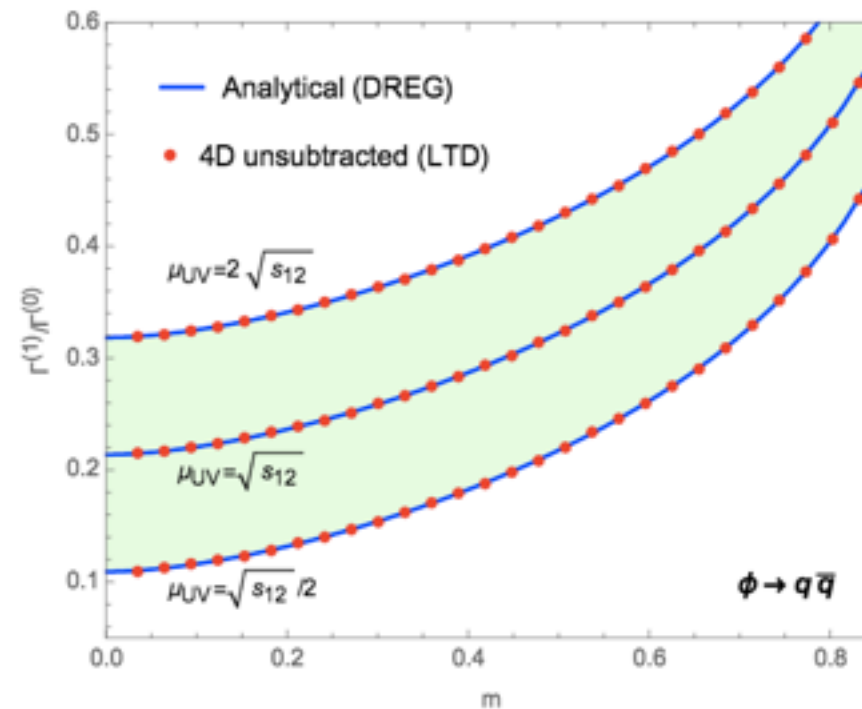
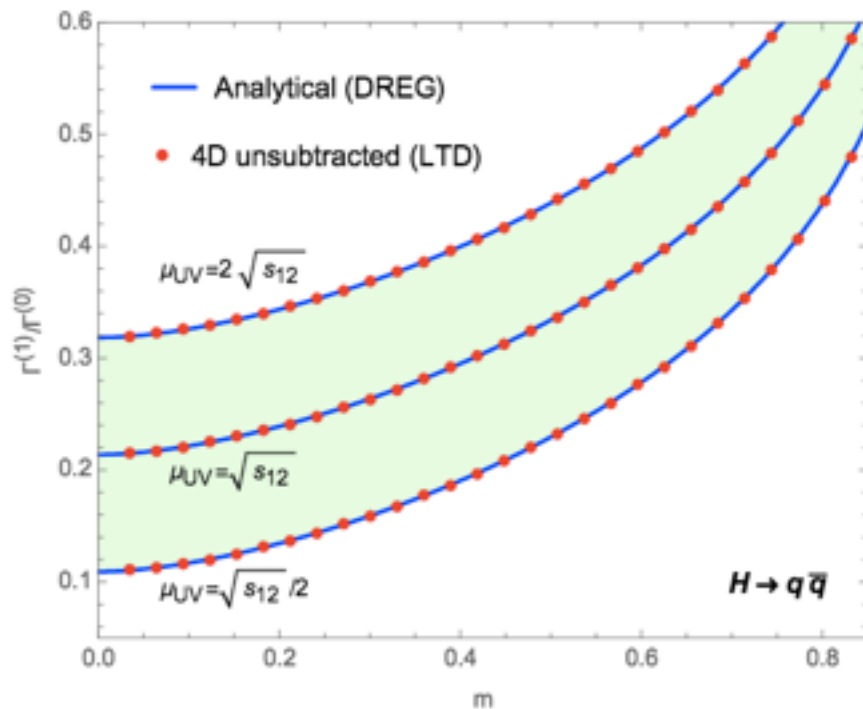
# COMPUTATION SAMPLES

Three-point  
scalar function



$\gamma/Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$

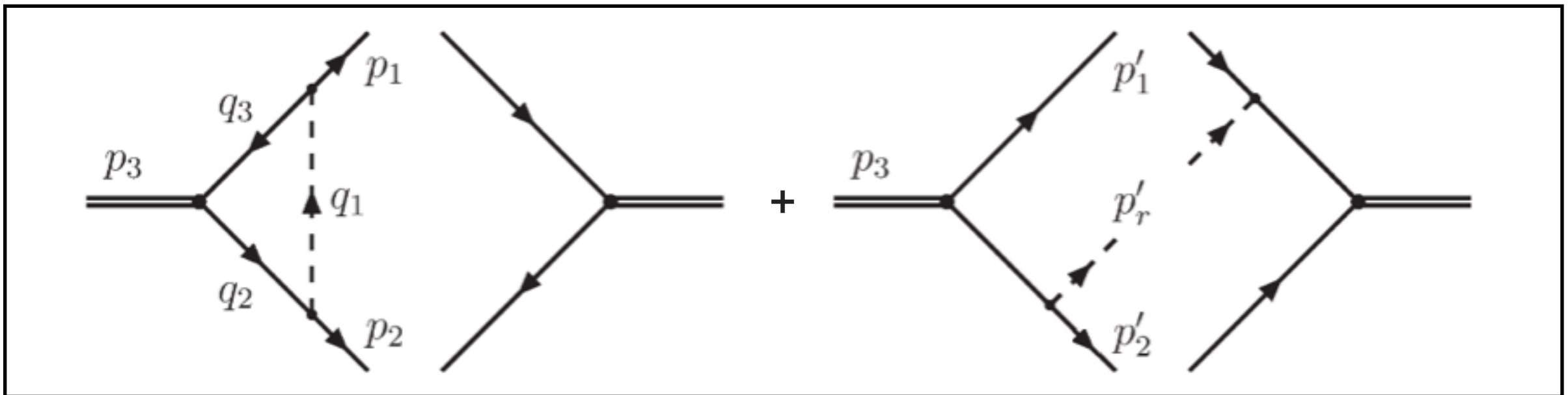
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# KINOSHITA-LEE-NAUENBERG THEOREM

- ▶ The Standard Model is **infrared finite**



- ▶ In the traditional approach, the singularities have different signs **after integration**
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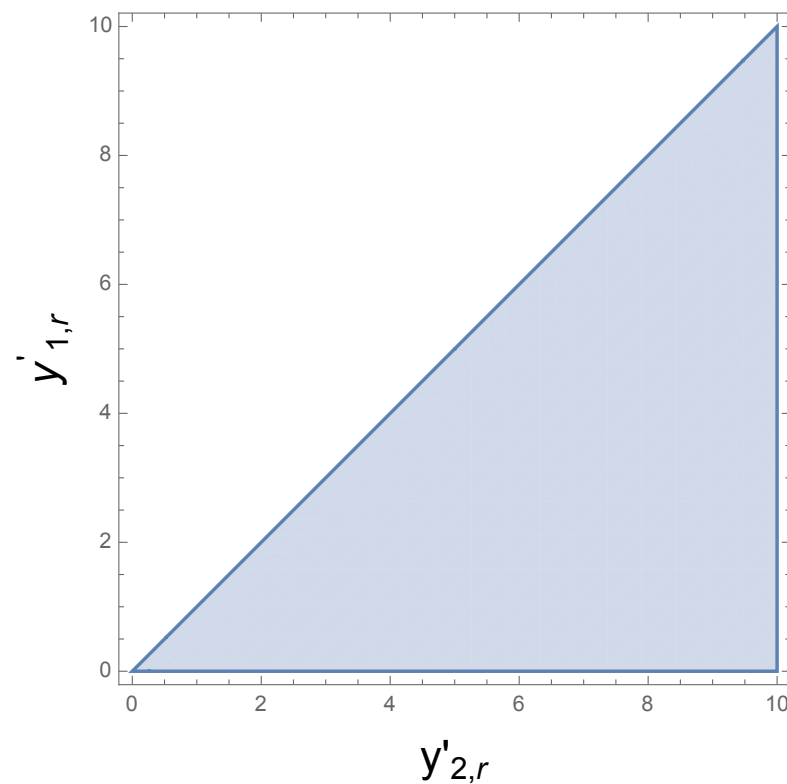
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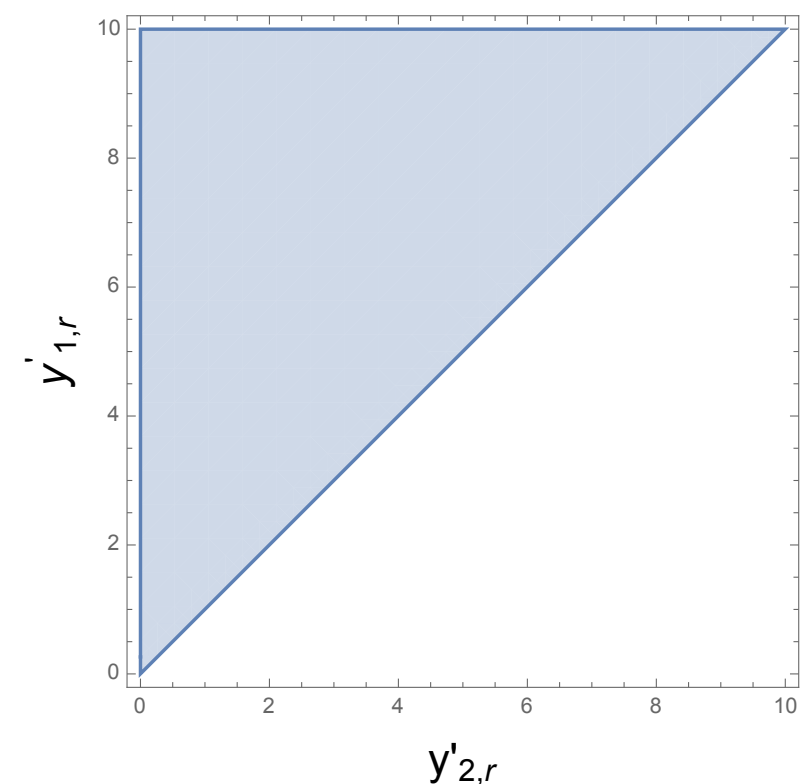
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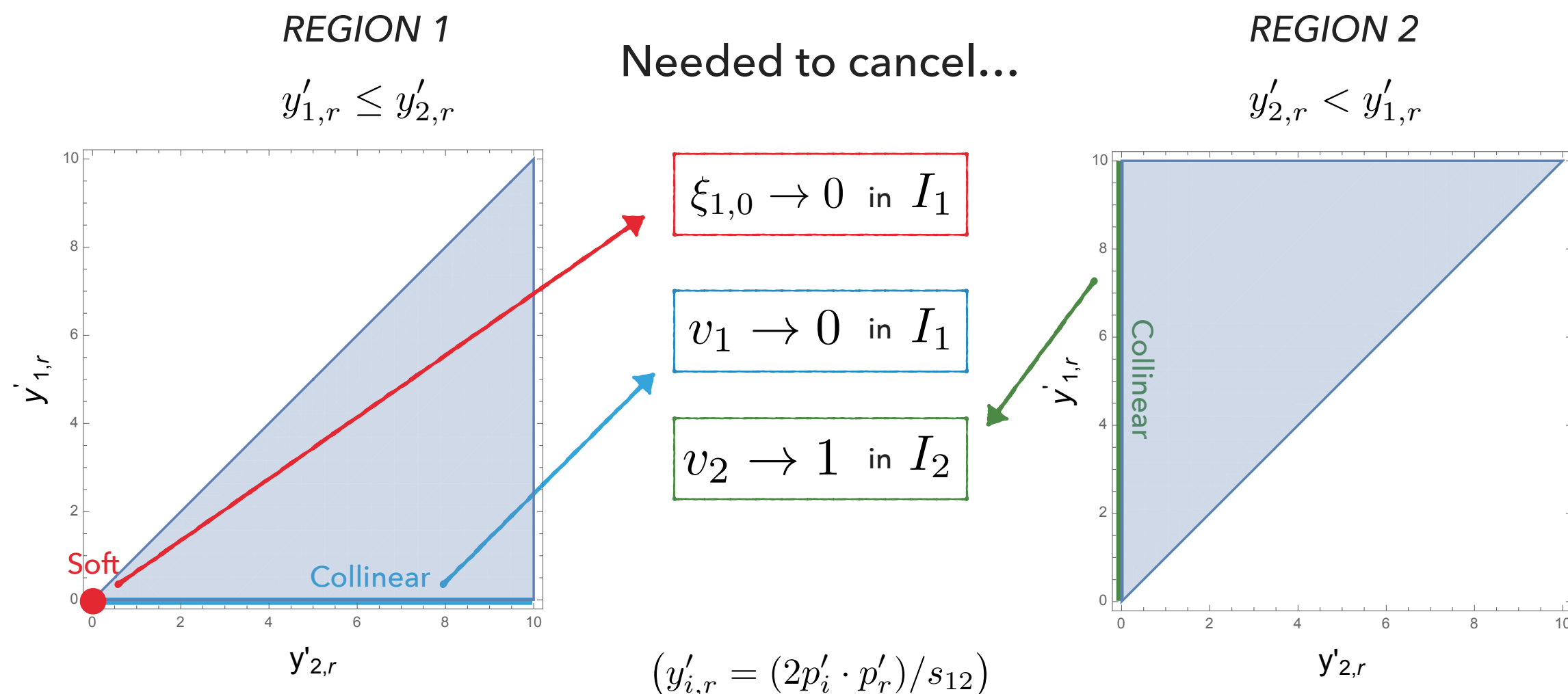


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which we solve using on-shell conditions and momentum conservation.

## THE MOMENTUM MAPPING (THE MASSIVE CASE)

- ▶ Rewrite the **emitter** and the **spectator** in terms of two massless momenta

$$p_i^\mu = \beta_+ \hat{p}_i^\mu + \beta_- \hat{p}_j^\mu$$

$$p_j^\mu = (1 - \beta_+) \hat{p}_i^\mu + (1 - \beta_-) \hat{p}_j^\mu \quad \hat{p}_i^\mu + \hat{p}_j^\mu = p_i^\mu + p_j^\mu$$

- ▶ Mapping and phase-space partition formally equal to the massless case: determine **mapping parameters from on-shell conditions**

$$p_r'^\mu = q_i^\mu ,$$

$$p_i'^\mu = (1 - \alpha_i) \hat{p}_i^\mu + (1 - \gamma_i) \hat{p}_j^\mu - q_i^\mu ,$$

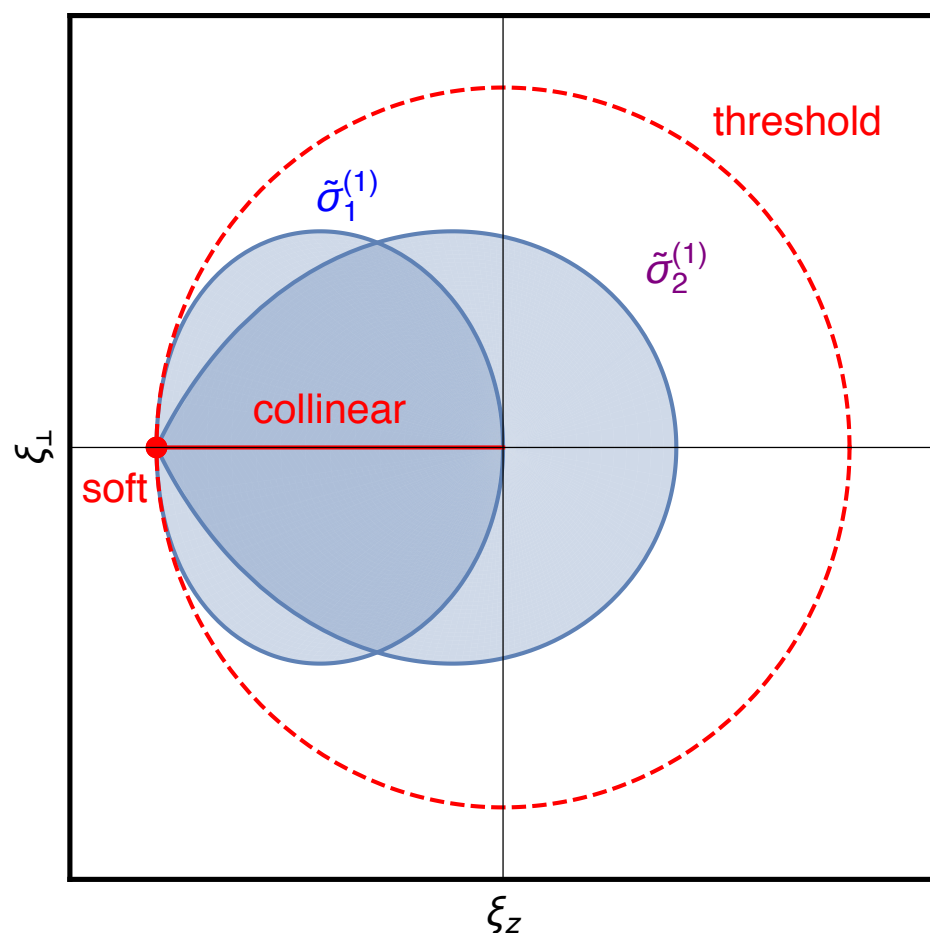
$$p_j'^\mu = \alpha_i \hat{p}_i^\mu + \gamma_i \hat{p}_j^\mu , \quad p_k'^\mu = p_k^\mu , \quad k \neq i, j$$

- ▶ **Quasi-collinear configurations** are conveniently mapped such that the massless limit is smooth

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$$I_1 = \frac{4}{s_{12}} \int \frac{\xi_{1,0}^{-1} d[\xi_{1,0}] d[v_1]}{1 - (1 - 2v_1)^2 \beta^2} \left( \theta(\mathcal{R}_1) + (1 - \theta(\mathcal{R}_1)) \right) \quad I_3$$

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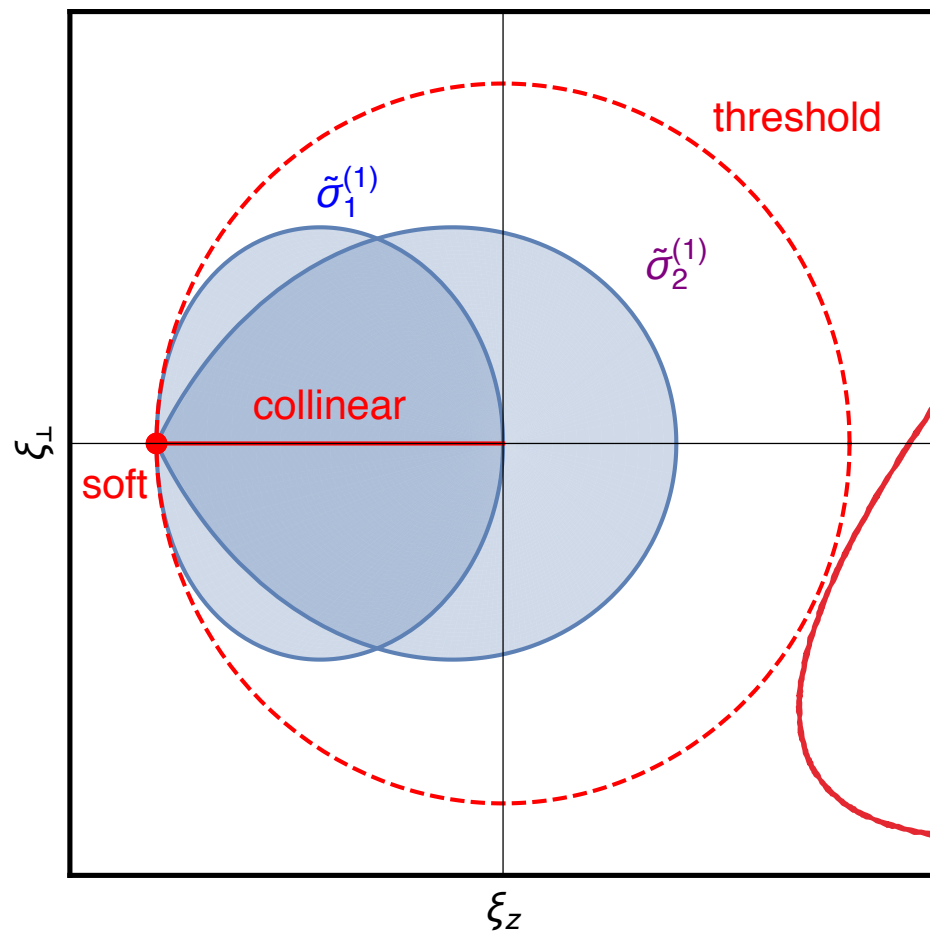
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Infrared-safe observables

Ultraviolet singularities remain...

Both regions after applying the change of variables

## BUILDING A LOCAL COUNTER-TERM

- ▶ Expand the dual propagators around a UV propagator...

$$G_F(q_i) = \frac{1}{q_{UV}^2 - \mu_{UV}^2 + i0} + \dots \quad q_{UV} = \ell + k_{UV}$$

- ▶ ... and adjust the **subleading term** depending on your renormalization scheme (for  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ , subtract only the pole). For instance for the scalar two-point function:

$$I = \int_{\ell} \frac{1}{(\ell^2 - M^2 + i0)((\ell + p)^2 - M^2 + i0)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad I_{UV}^{\text{cnt}} = \int_{\ell} \frac{1}{(q_{UV}^2 - \mu_{UV}^2 + i0)^2}$$

- ▶ The last step is to subtract the counter-term to the remaining term we had earlier

$$\sigma_V^{(1,R)} = \overline{\sigma}_V^{(1)} - \sigma_V^{(1,UV)}$$

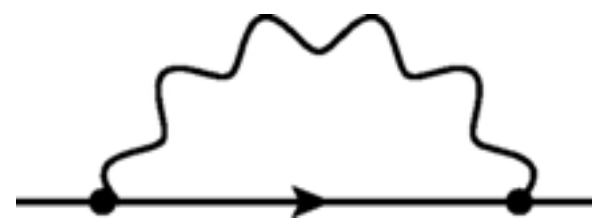
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A Feynman diagram showing a horizontal fermion line with an arrow pointing to the right. A wavy loop (representing a gluon or photon) is attached to the line between two vertices, forming a self-energy correction. The diagram is followed by an equals sign and zero, then another equals sign and a constant K multiplied by a difference of two terms in parentheses. The first term is 1 over epsilon\_UV, enclosed in a blue box. The second term is 1 over epsilon\_IR, enclosed in a green box.

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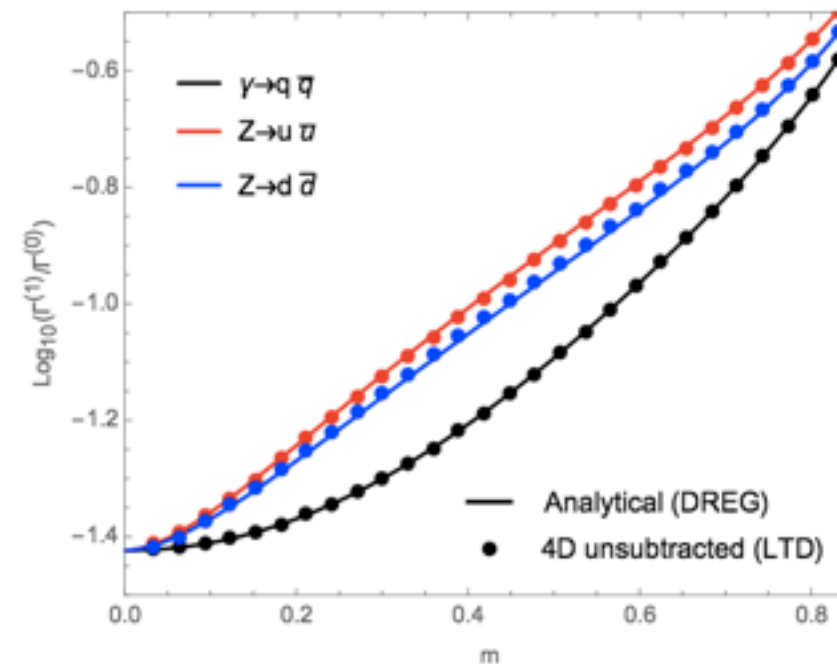
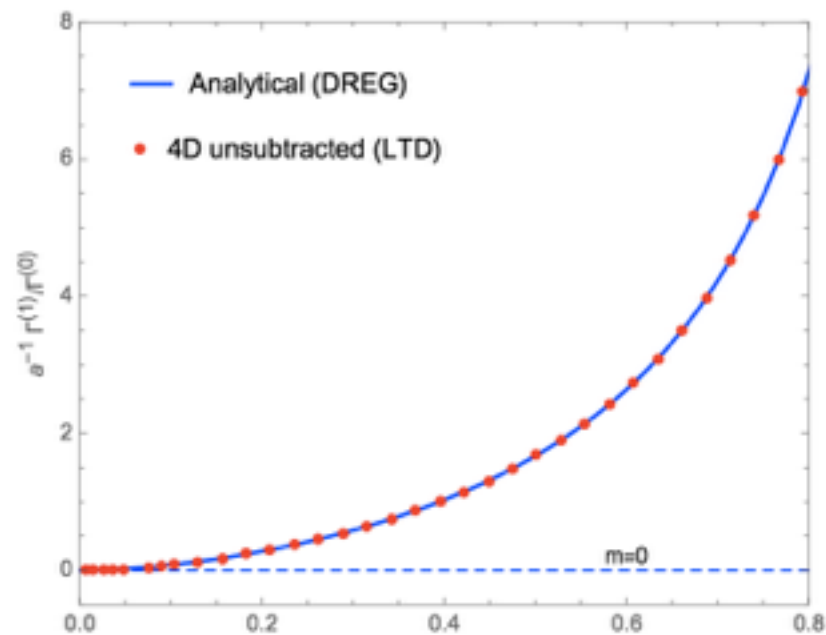
Has to be included in  
the UV counter-term

Will cancel the square of  
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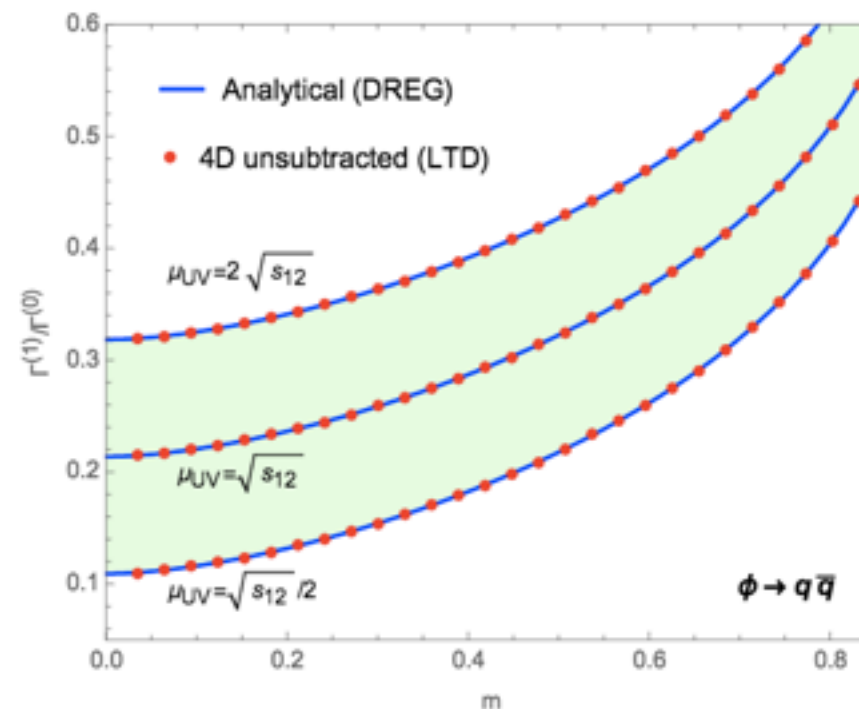
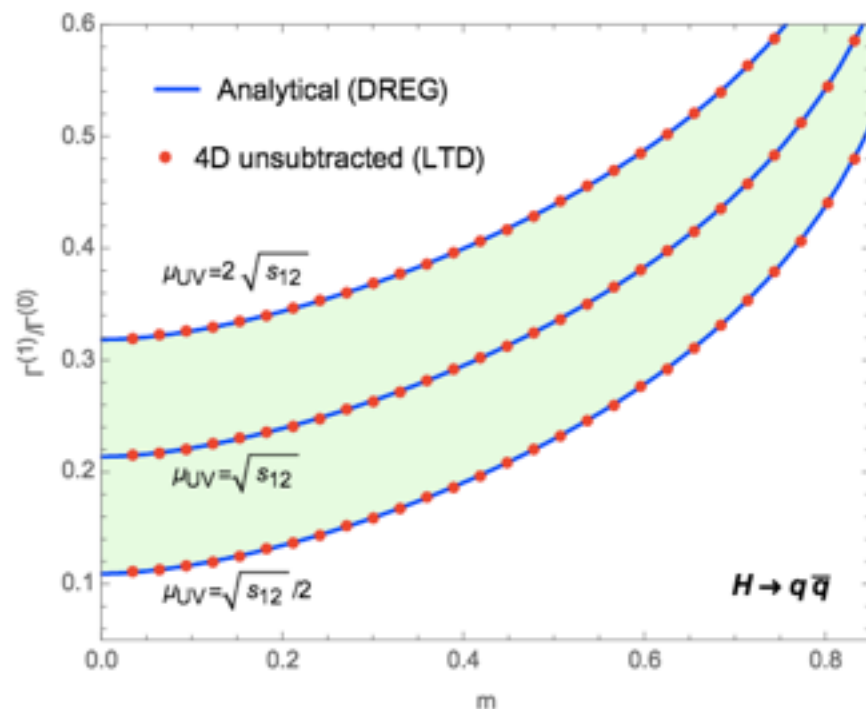
## COMPUTATION SAMPLES

Three-point  
scalar function



$\gamma/Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$

$H \rightarrow q\bar{q}$



$\phi \rightarrow q\bar{q}$

## COMPARISON WITH DREG

DREG	LTD / FDU
Modify the dimensions of the space-time to $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$	Computations without altering the $d = 4$ <b>space-time</b> dimensions
<p>Singularities manifest <b>after</b> integration as <math>\frac{1}{\epsilon}</math> <b>poles</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ <b>IR</b> cancelled through suitable <b>subtraction terms</b>, which need to be integrated over the unresolved phase-space</li><li>▶ <b>UV</b> renormalized</li></ul>	<p>Singularities killed <b>before</b> integration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ <b>Unsubtracted</b> summation over degenerate IR states at integrand level through a suitable <b>momentum mapping</b></li><li>▶ <b>UV</b> through local counter-terms</li></ul>
Virtual and real contributions are considered <b>separately</b> : phase-space with <b>different number of final-state particles</b>	Virtual and real contributions are considered <b>simultaneously</b> : more efficient Monte Carlo implementation

# THE FOUR-DIMENSIONAL UNSUBTRACTION...

- ▶ ... is a **new algorithm/regularization scheme** for higher-orders in perturbative QFT based on LTD: summation over degenerate soft, final-state collinear singularities and quasi-collinear configurations achieved through a **mapping of momenta** between real and virtual kinematics
- ▶ ... allows for fully **local cancellations** of IR and UV singularities in four dimensions
- ▶ ... is optimized for **smooth massless limits** due to proper treatment of quasi-collinear configurations
- ▶ ... allows the **simultaneous generation** of real and virtual corrections, which is advantageous, particularly for multi-leg processes