

# From Correlation Function to Event-shape

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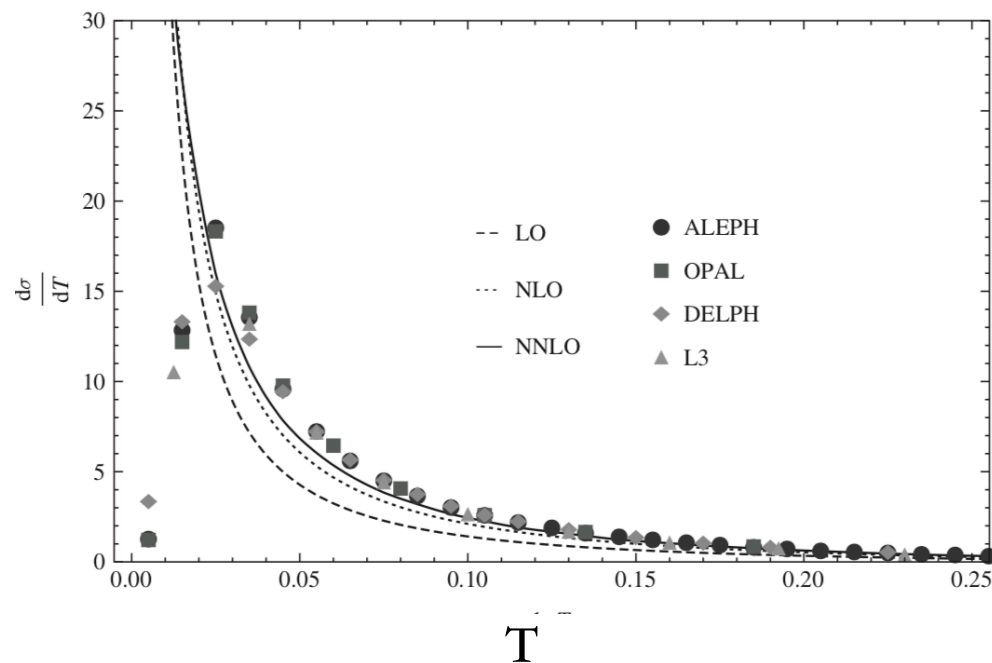
based on 2001.10806, 1903.05314 with  
Chicherin, Henn, Sokatchev, Zhiboedov

# Event shape probes the structure of energy-momentum flow in the final state

- global geometry of hadronic final state, e.g. thrust, transverse thrust
- multi-prong jet substructure, e.g. N-subjettiness, D2
- angular distribution of energy/charge flow, e.g. EEC,QQC

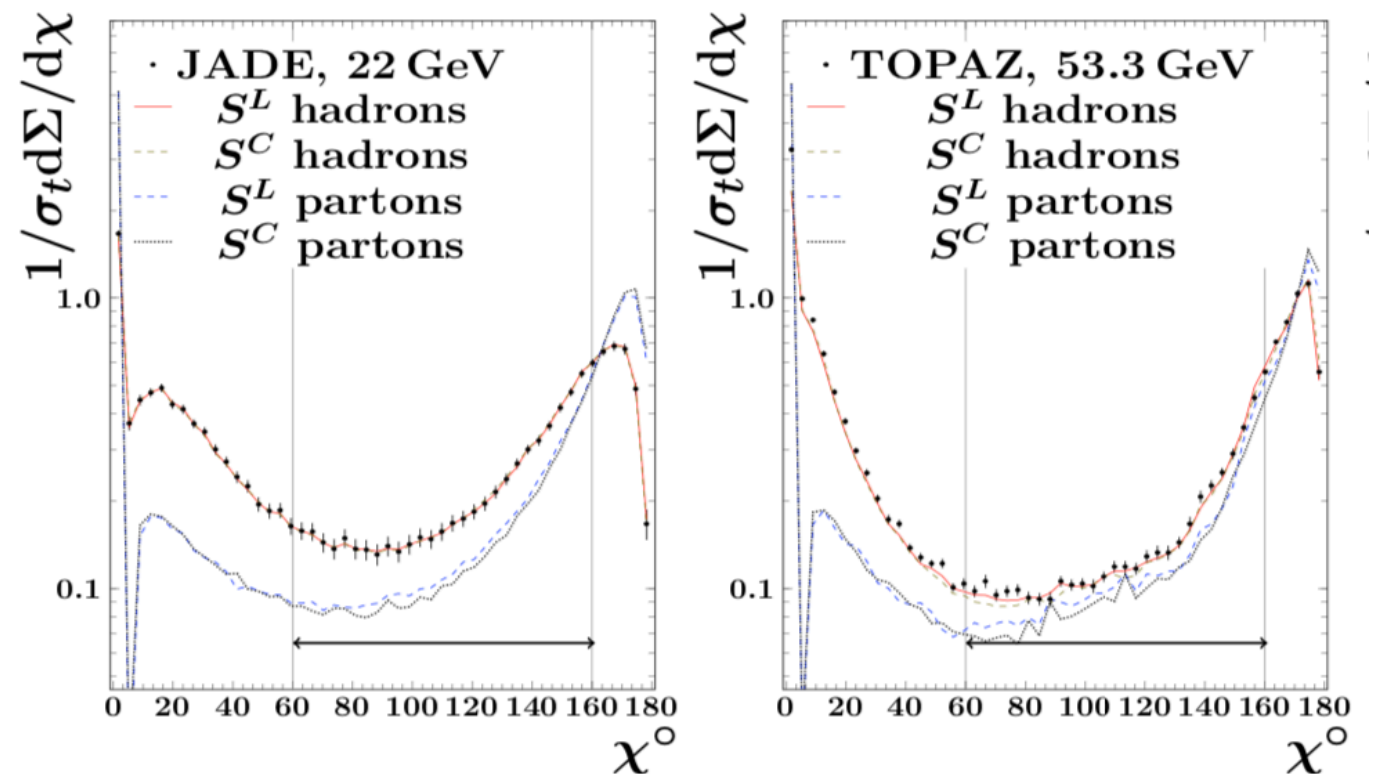
## Thrust distribution

$$\int d\sigma_f \delta\left(T - \max_{\vec{n}} \frac{\sum_{j \in f} |\vec{p}_j \cdot \vec{n}|}{\sum_{j \in f} |\vec{p}_j|}\right)$$



## Energy-energy correlation

$$\int \sum_{i,j} d\Sigma_{ij} \delta(\cos \chi - \cos \theta_{ij}), \quad d\Sigma_{ij} = d\sigma_{ij+x} \frac{E_i E_j}{Q^2}$$



# Energy-energy correlation (EEC) in e+e- annihilation

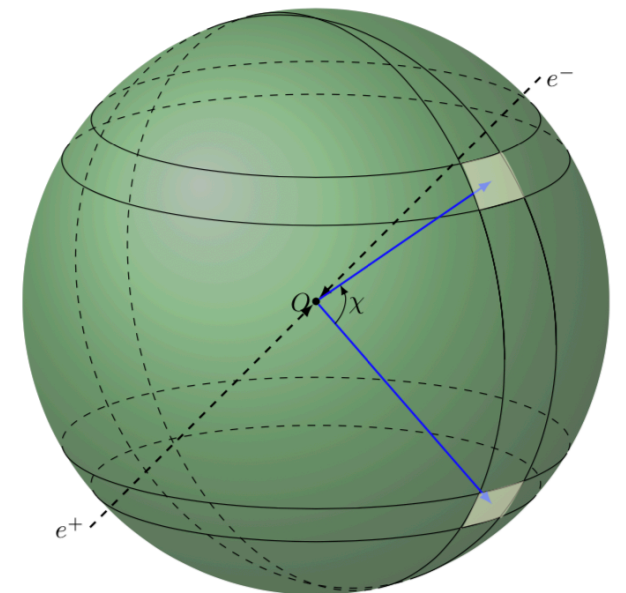
**LO analytic result was available since the 70's**

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0} \frac{d\Sigma}{d \cos \chi} = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} C_F \frac{3-2\zeta}{4(1-\zeta)\zeta^5} [3\zeta(2-3\zeta) + 2(2\zeta^2 - 6\zeta + 3) \log(1-\zeta)]$$

Phys. Rev. Lett. 41,  
1585 (1978).

$\chi$  : angle between detectors

$$\zeta := \frac{q^2(n \cdot n')}{2(q \cdot n)(q \cdot n')} = \frac{1 - \cos \chi}{2} \text{ (c.o.m)}$$



$$EEC(\chi; q^2) = \int d\Pi_X (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(q - P_X) \sum_{i,j \in X} \langle O | X \rangle \langle X | O \rangle \delta(\hat{n} - \Omega_i) \delta(\hat{n}' - \Omega_j) E_i E_j$$

O: electromagnetic  
currents

- admits representation in terms of a correlation function involving energy flow operators

$$\delta(\hat{n} - \Omega_i) E_i |k_i\rangle = E(n) |k_i\rangle$$

$$EEC(\chi; q^2) = \int d^4x e^{i q \cdot x} \langle O(x) E(n) E(n') O(0) \rangle$$

E(n) energy flow (ANEC)  
operator, local operator  
on celestial sphere

- EEC lies at the intersection of collider physics and formal studies of conformal bootstrap and light-ray OPE

## EEC is a central object in collider physics

- Precision determination of fundamental constants; precision jet substructure; [1804.09146](#), [1907.01435](#), [2004.11381](#).
- Small-angle and back-to-back limit: EFT [1905.01310](#), [1801.02627](#) ; Light-cone operator product expansion [1905.01311](#), [1905.01444](#)
- Multi-point Energy Correlators: building block for computing physical cross section [1912.11050](#)

## new insights from supersymmetric theory (N=4 SYM )

- Novel methods for computation at higher-loop order: avoids infrared divergence [Henn, Sokatchev, Yan, Zhiboedov 1903.05314](#).
- Direct application to event-shape in QCD [Chicherin, Henn, Sokatchev, Yan, 2001.10806](#)
- Function space of EEC in N=4 SYM shed light on QCD answer (e.g. via bootstrapping)
- End-point asymptotics: valuable CFT data; testing ground for understanding sub-leading power factorisation [Moult, Vita, Yan 1912.02188](#)

## Novel methods : from correlation function to event shape

- **EEC in CFT can be built upon four-point conformal correlation function between the local operators**

$$EEC(\chi; q^2) = \int d^4x e^{i q \cdot x} \langle O(x) E(n) E(n') O(0) \rangle$$

$$E(n) := \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^2 \int d x_- n^j T_{0j}(t = x_- + r, r \vec{n})$$

$$\sim \int dx_{2,-} dx_{3,-} \langle O T T O \rangle$$

Detectors are sent to infinity and integrated over its working time

$x_-$  : retarded time

- **How we bypassed infrared divergence:**

**phase-space integrals are replaced by off-shell conformal integrals to compute the correlation function + a two-fold, manifestly finite integral over detector time**

# EEC in N=4 supersymmetric theory

**source: half BPS operator**  
**(protected operator analog to EM current in QCD )**

$$\mathcal{O}^{IJ} = \text{Tr} \left( \Phi^I \Phi^J - \frac{1}{6} \delta^{IJ} \Phi^K \Phi^K \right)$$

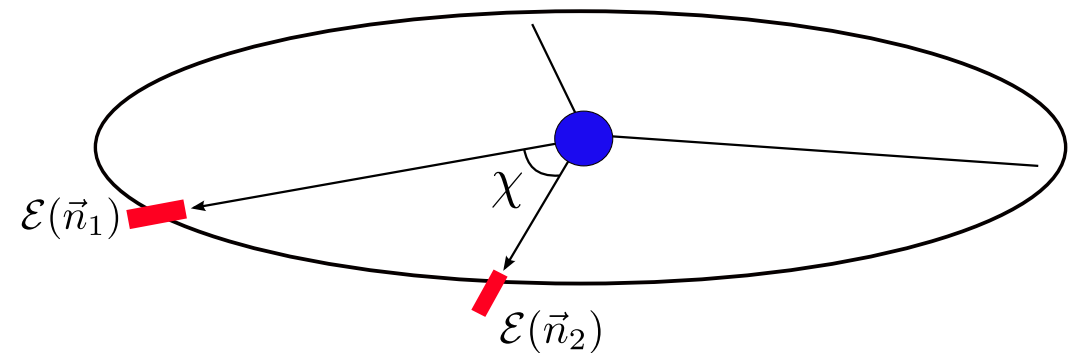
**N=4 superconformal symmetry relates**  
**energy flow to scalar flow**

$$\text{EEC}(\zeta) \sim \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_2 dx_3 \lim_{x_{2+}, x_{3+} \rightarrow \infty} x_{2+}^2 x_{3+}^2 \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}^\dagger(x) \mathcal{O}(x_2) \mathcal{O}(x_3) \mathcal{O}(0) | 0 \rangle$$

**This correlation function is given by off-shell**  
**conformal integrals defined in 4d-Euclidean space**

Given explicitly as polylogarithmic function  $G(u, v)$

$$u = \frac{x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}, \quad v = \frac{x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}.$$



**4-point correlation**  
**function of identical**  
**scalars.**

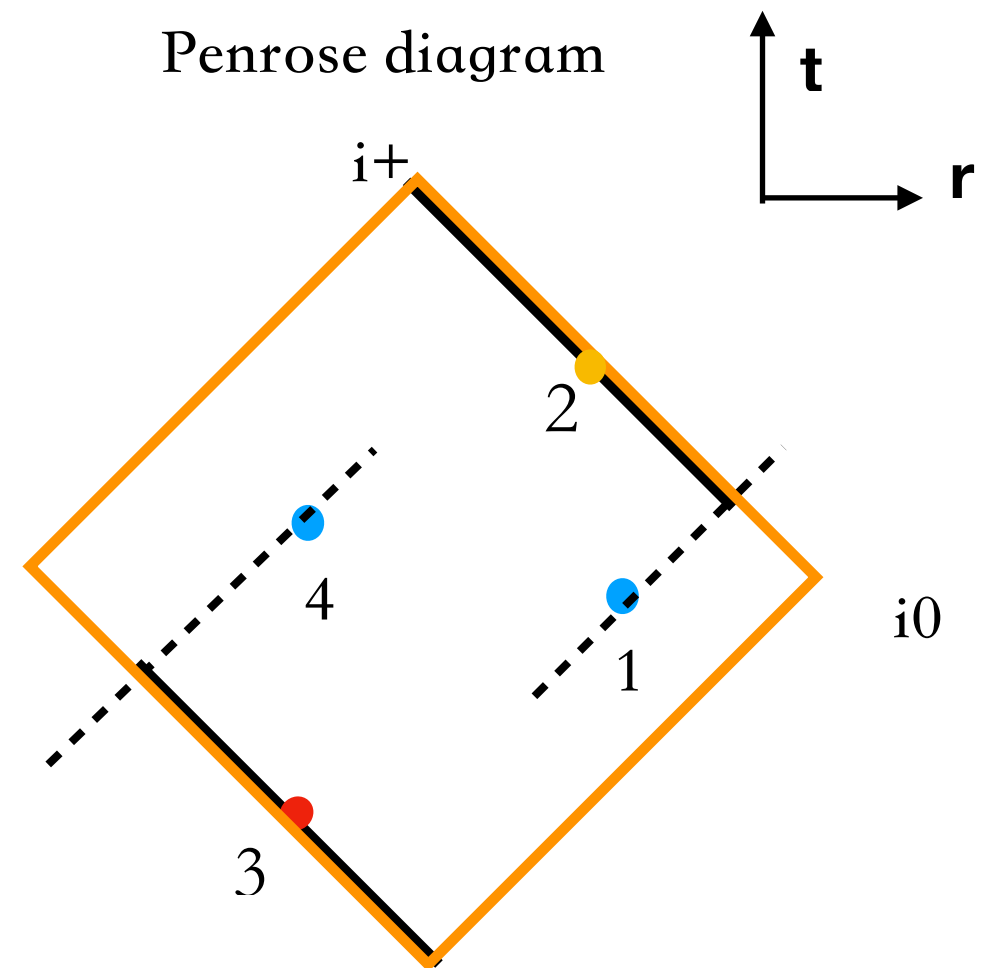
# Detector-time integration

Integrated correlation function:

$$G_{EEC}(\gamma) := \frac{(n \cdot \bar{n})(n' \cdot \bar{n}')}{x^2 (n \cdot n')} \int dx_{2,-} dx_{3,-} G_W(u, v)$$

$$\gamma := \frac{2(n \cdot x)(n' \cdot x)}{x^2 (n \cdot n')}$$

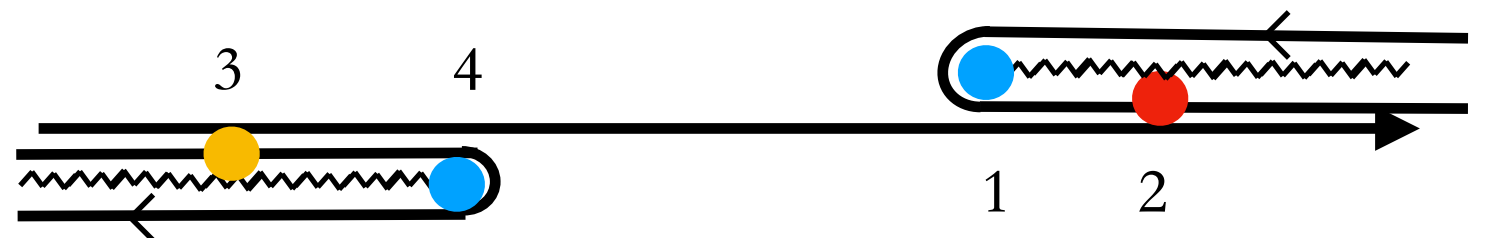
$\mathcal{G}_W(u, v)$  :analytically continued 4-pt correlator;  
multi-valued function in time-like separated  
configurations



$$\int_{C_2} dx_{2,-} \int_{C_3} dx'_{3,-} \boxed{\text{disc}_{x_{2,-}=x_-} \text{disc}_{x'_{3,-}=0} [\mathcal{G}(u, v)]}$$

Integrate detectors (2,3)  
along a null line.

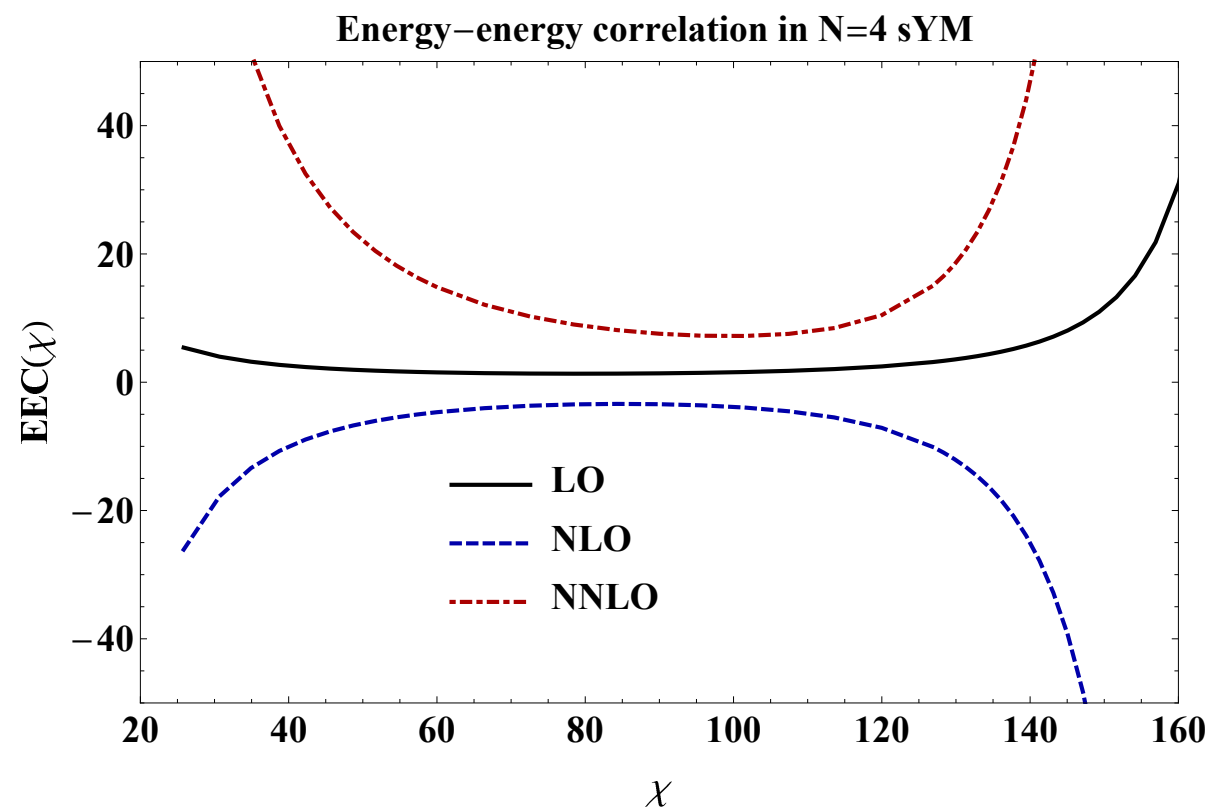
Two-fold contour integral —  
integrated double discontinuity



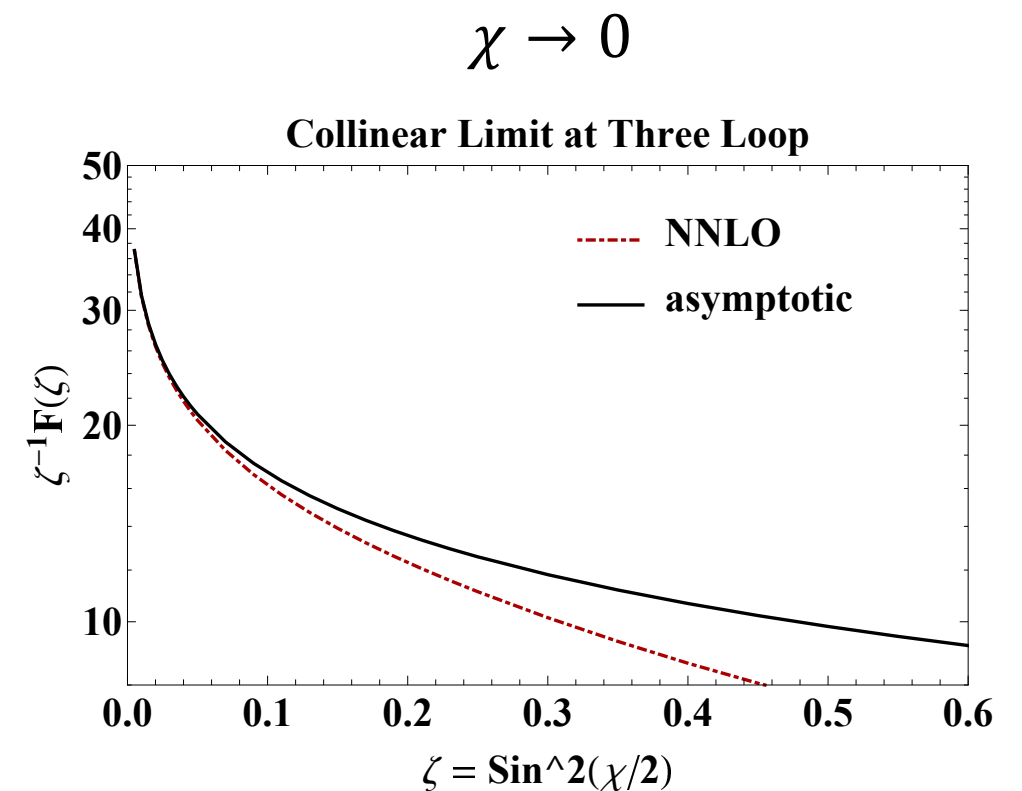
First calculation of EEC at NNLO :

Henn, Sokatchev, Yan, Zhiboedov 1903.05314.

Fully analytic result : HPL + explicit two-fold finite elliptic integral



Fixed-order perturbative  
corrections displayed separately by  
loop order



$\chi \rightarrow 0$

$J(zQ^2, \mu) = C_J(\alpha_s) \left( \frac{zQ^2}{\mu^2} \right)^{\gamma_J^{\mathcal{N}=4}(\alpha_s)}$

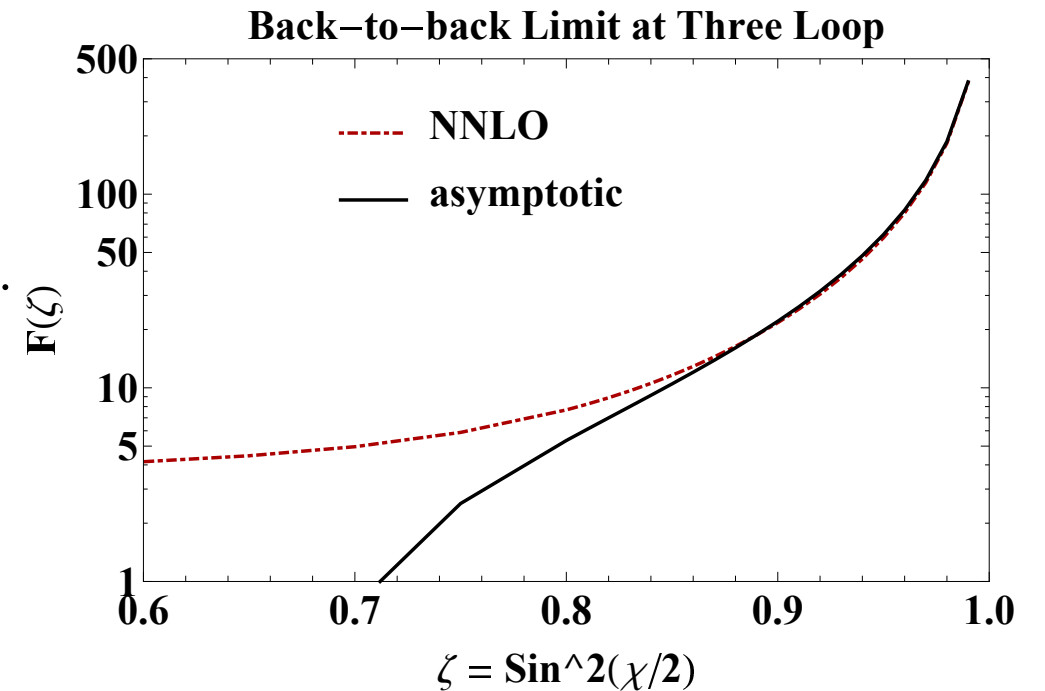


$$\chi \rightarrow \pi$$

## Leading power: sudakov factorisation

$$\frac{1}{2} H(a) \int_0^\infty db b J_0(b) \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \Gamma_{\text{cusp}}(a) L^2 - \Gamma(a) L \right\} .$$

Extract hard function and collinear anomalous dimension for N<sup>3</sup>LL resummation



## Sub-leading power:

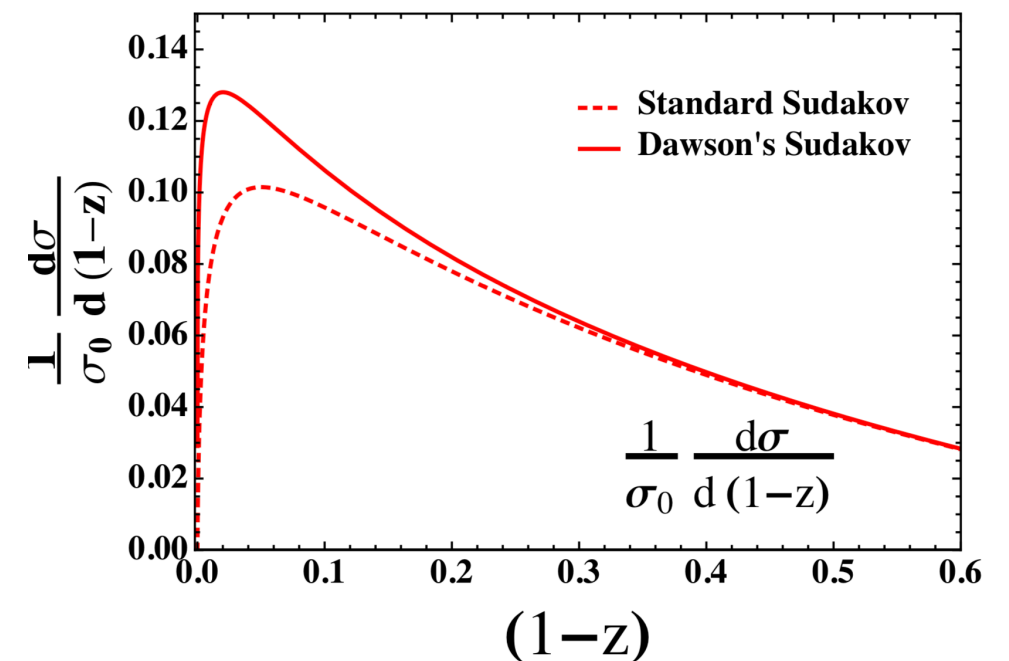
The LL series at NLP is a double factorial sum.

$$\text{EEC}^{(2)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{(2n+1)!!} a_s^{n+1} \log((1-z)^2)^{2n+1}$$

$$\text{EEC}^{(2)} = -\sqrt{2a_s} D \left[ \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma_{\text{cusp}}}{2}} \log(1-z) \right] .$$

$$D(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi} e^{-x^2} \text{erfi}(x)$$

Dawson ' s function



Moult, Vita, Yan 1912.02188

# Generalisation to event-shape in QCD

## Proof of principle: one-loop charge-charge correlation in QCD

Chicherin, Henn, Sokatchev, Yan

2001.10806

$$\langle \mathcal{Q}(\vec{n}) \mathcal{Q}(\vec{n}') \rangle = \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{-1} \int d^4 x_1 e^{iqx_{14}} \int dx_{2-} dx_{3-} \lim_{x_{2+}, x_{3+} \rightarrow \infty} x_{2+}^2 x_{3+}^2 \langle \underline{J_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}(x_1) J_{\beta\dot{\beta}}(x_2) J_{\gamma\dot{\gamma}}(x_3) J_{\delta\dot{\delta}}(x_4)} \rangle \bar{n}^{\dot{\beta}\beta} \bar{n}^{\dot{\gamma}\gamma}$$

**QQC is built upon the correlation function of four identical vector currents.**

**A toy example to study event shape in QCD at the level where it can still be treated as conformal.**

- compute four point correlation function in QCD
- implement detector time integration

## Validity of the approach: IR and UV finiteness

In the one-loop approximation in our setup, QQC is infrared safe.  
Moreover, the complications due to UV renormalisation can be avoided.

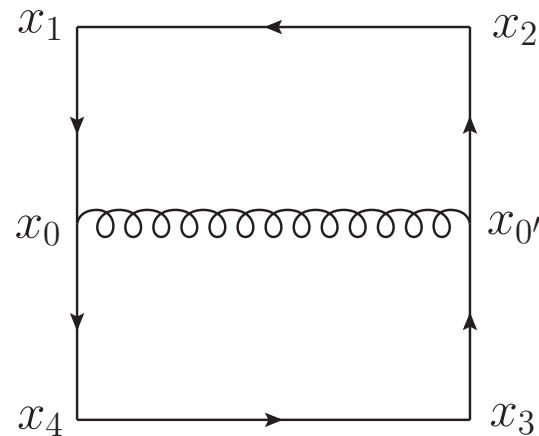
- Electromagnetic vector current is conserved.
- The interaction vertex renormalisation effects play no role since  $\beta(g) = \mathcal{O}(g^3)$ .
- The field strength renormalisation is finite in our calculation scheme at one-loop level.

The correlation functions of vector currents in the one-loop approximation is finite four-dimensional objects which do not require any regularisation.

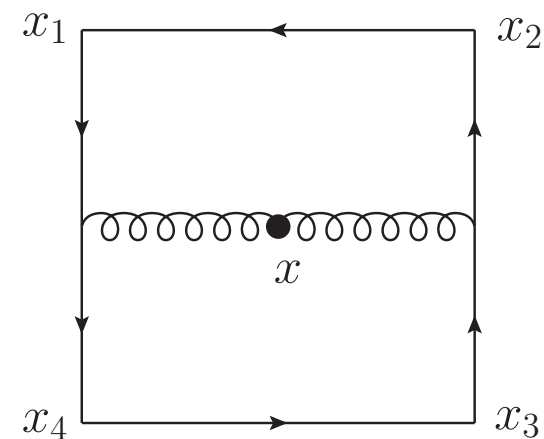
$$\langle J_\mu(x_1) \dots J_\nu(x_n) \rangle = G_{\mu\dots\nu}^{\text{tree}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) + g^2 G_{\mu\dots\nu}^{1\text{-loop}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) + \mathcal{O}(g^4)$$

Tools developed the study of conformal correlators in N=4 SYM can be implemented here.

# Feynman diagram calculation in coordinate space



**Lagrangian  
insertion**



$$A_\mu \rightarrow \frac{1}{g} A_\mu \quad L = \frac{1}{g^2} L_{\text{YM}} + i\psi^\alpha \mathcal{D}_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}^+ \bar{\psi}^{\dot{\alpha}} + i\chi^\alpha \mathcal{D}_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}^- \bar{\chi}^{\dot{\alpha}} \quad L_{\text{YM}} \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr } F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

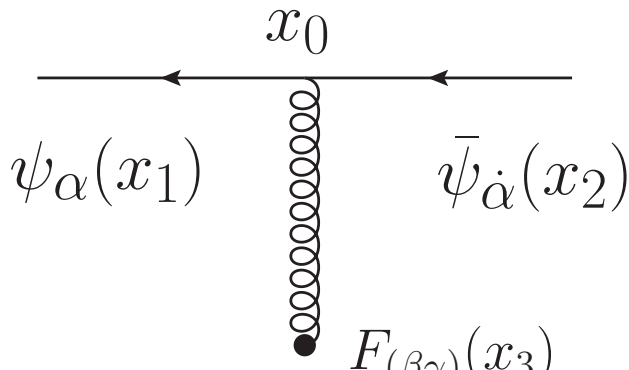
taking derivative of the path integral w.r.t to the coupling,

$$g^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial g^2} \langle J_\mu(x_1) \dots J_\nu(x_n) \rangle = -\frac{i}{g^2} \int D\Phi e^{i \int d^4x L(x)} \int d^4x L_{\text{YM}}(x) J_\mu(x_1) \dots J_\nu(x_n)$$

one-loop correction of the 4-pt correlation function is equal to the integrated 5-pt correlator with one additional Lagrangian point

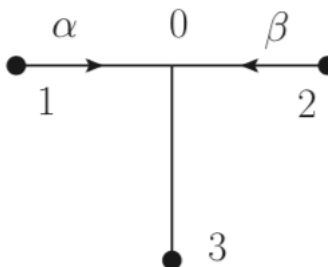
$$g^2 G_{\mu\dots\nu}^{\text{1-loop}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = -i \int d^4x \langle L_{\text{YM}}(x) J_\mu(x_1) \dots J_\nu(x_n) \rangle_{\text{Born}}$$

## Diagrammatic building block



$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \psi_\alpha(x_1) \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}}(x_2) F_a^{\mu\nu}(x_3) \rangle_g &= -\frac{ig T_a}{(2\pi)^6} \int d^4 x_0 \partial_{\alpha}^{\dot{\beta}} \frac{1}{x_{10}^2} \partial_{\dot{\alpha}}^{\beta} \frac{1}{x_{20}^2} \sigma_{\beta\dot{\beta}}^{[\nu} \partial^{\mu]} \frac{1}{x_{30}^2} \\
 &= -\frac{ig T_a}{(2\pi)^4} \left\{ \frac{4(x_{12})_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} x_{31}^{[\mu} x_{32}^{\nu]}}{x_{12}^4 x_{13}^2 x_{23}^2} - \frac{(x_{12} \tilde{x}_{23} \sigma^{[\mu} \tilde{\sigma}^{\nu]} x_{32})_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}}{2x_{12}^2 x_{13}^2 x_{23}^4} - \frac{(\tilde{x}_{21} x_{13} \tilde{\sigma}^{[\mu} \sigma^{\nu]} \tilde{x}_{31})_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}}{2x_{12}^2 x_{13}^4 x_{23}^2} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

can be related to a conformal integral: answer is rational  
function completely fixed by conformal property

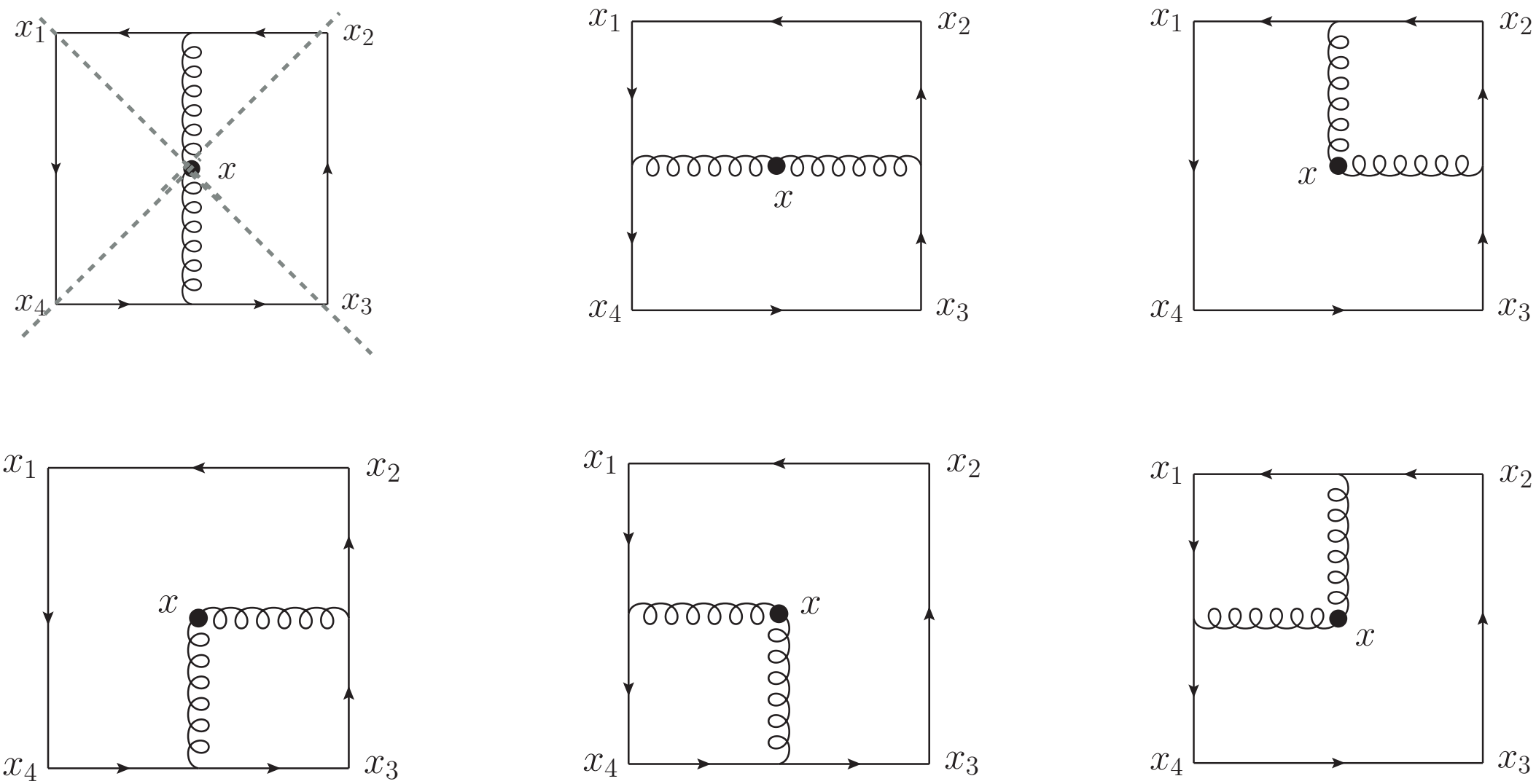


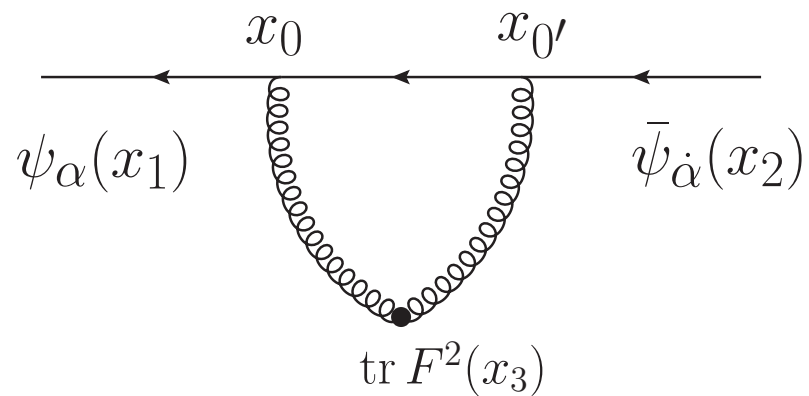
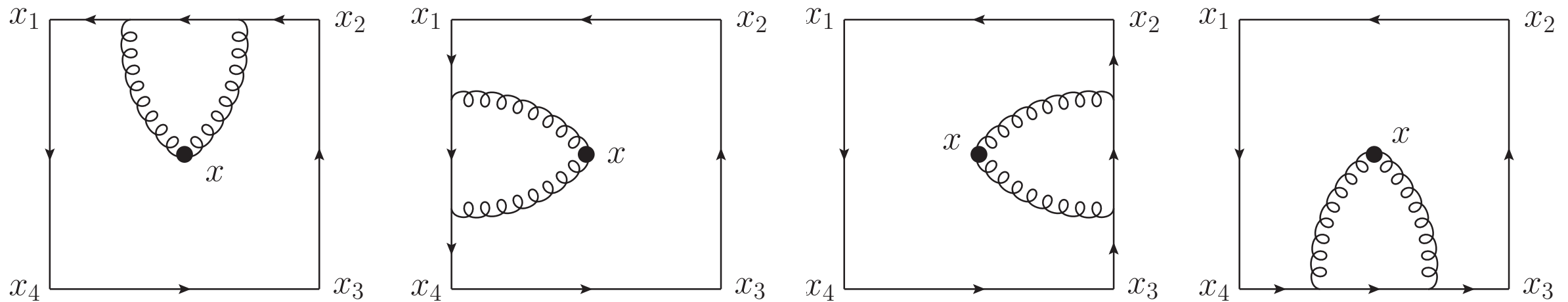
$$-\frac{1}{\pi^2} \int d^4 x_0 x_{30}^{-2} \partial_{1\alpha\dot{\alpha}} x_{10}^{-2} \tilde{\partial}_2^{\dot{\alpha}\beta} x_{20}^{-2} = \frac{(x_{13} \tilde{x}_{32})_{\alpha}{}^{\beta}}{x_{12}^2 x_{13}^2 x_{23}^2}$$

conformal symmetry of the integral is easily shown by inversion.

The rhs is the unique conformal covariant with the required weights, made from the three vectors  $x_i$ .

**Class of diagrams built out of T-blocks and fermion propagators**





Our approach (via Lagrangian insertion) defines a renormalisation scheme, where one loop propagator correction is finite and rational.

$$= \frac{g^2 C_2}{2\pi^2} \frac{(x_{12})_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}}{x_{12}^4 x_{13}^4 x_{23}^4} [x_{12}^4 + x_{13}^4 + x_{23}^4 - 2x_{12}^2 x_{13}^2 - 2x_{12}^2 x_{23}^2 - 2x_{13}^2 x_{23}^2]$$

**Putting together all diagrams contributing to the 5-pt correlator, the obtained integrand is a finite rational function living in four space-time dimensions.**

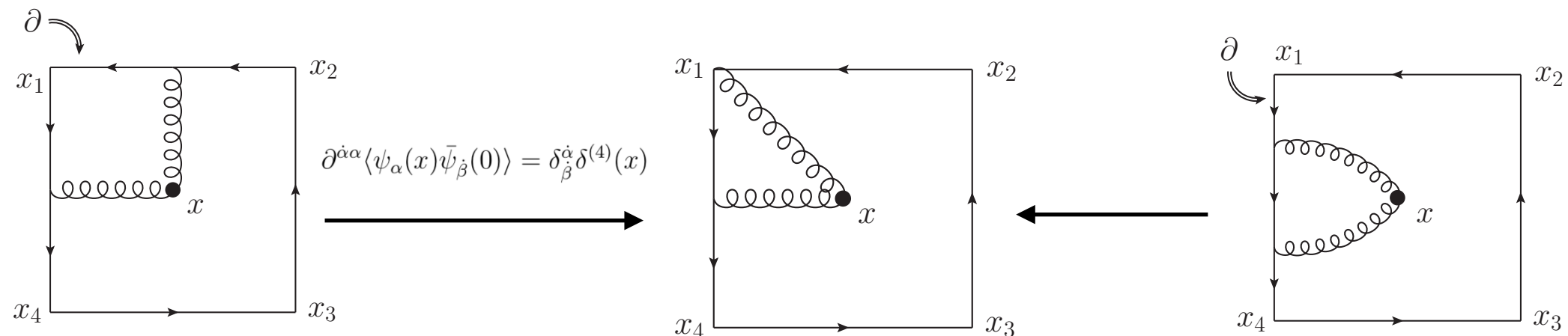
# Consistency check

**Conformal property**      integrand (5-pt function) itself is conformal.

Performing a conformal inversion on all points, we numerically checked that integrand transforms covariantly at each point.

**Current conservation**       $\partial_1^{\dot{\alpha}\alpha} \langle L_{\text{YM}}(x) J_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}(x_1) \dots J_{\delta\dot{\delta}}(x_4) \rangle_{\text{Born}} = 0 .$

The current conservation can be easily seen at the level of the Feynman graphs.



The fermion propagator shrinks to a point upon acting with the derivative, and the shrunk Feynman diagrams cancel in pairs.



## Integrating over the insertion point

- Tensor reduction in coordinate space
- Implement IBP reductions of the scalar integrals to a set of master integrals: bubble, three-mass triangle, and four-mass box integrals.
- Removing regularisation  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . UV divergences of bubble integrals cancel.

$$G^{\text{1-loop}}(x_1, \dots, x_4) = [R_c(x) \Phi^{(1)}(u, v) + R_u(x) \log(u) + R_v(x) \log(v) + R_r(x)]$$

R: polynomial tensors carrying Lorentz  
indices of the four currents

$$u = \frac{x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}, \quad v = \frac{x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}.$$

Bloch-Wigner dilogarithm

$$\Phi^{(1)}(u, v) = \frac{1}{\bar{z} - z} \left[ 2\text{Li}_2 \left( \frac{z}{z-1} \right) - 2\text{Li}_2 \left( \frac{\bar{z}}{\bar{z}-1} \right) - \log \left( \frac{z\bar{z}}{(1-z)(1-\bar{z})} \right) \log \left( \frac{1-z}{1-\bar{z}} \right) \right]$$

$$u = z\bar{z}, \quad v = (1-z)(1-\bar{z})$$

## Finding better representation

Conformal ansatz for homogeneous polynomials with equal conformal weights at all point: 43 parity even and 23 parity odd independent conformal tensors carrying 8 Lorentz indices:  $\alpha\alpha' \dots \delta\delta$

**Matching with the ansatz we find explicitly conformal expressions for the polynomials**

$$(x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2)^4 G^{1\text{-loop}}(x_1, \dots, x_4) = \left[ \partial_{uu}^2 \Phi^{(1)} \sum_I c_{uu}^{(I)}(u, v) T_I + \partial_{vv}^2 \Phi^{(1)} \sum_I c_{vv}^{(I)}(u, v) T_I \right. \\ \left. + \partial_{uv}^2 \Phi^{(1)} \sum_I c_{uv}^{(I)}(u, v) T_I + \sum_I c_0^{(I)}(u, v) T_I + (x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2)^4 R'_r \right]$$

{ T\_I } contains 54 different conformal tensor structures

## Detector limit

Send detectors (points 2 and 3) to null infinity, putting them close to the light-cone

Introduce light-cone parametrisation

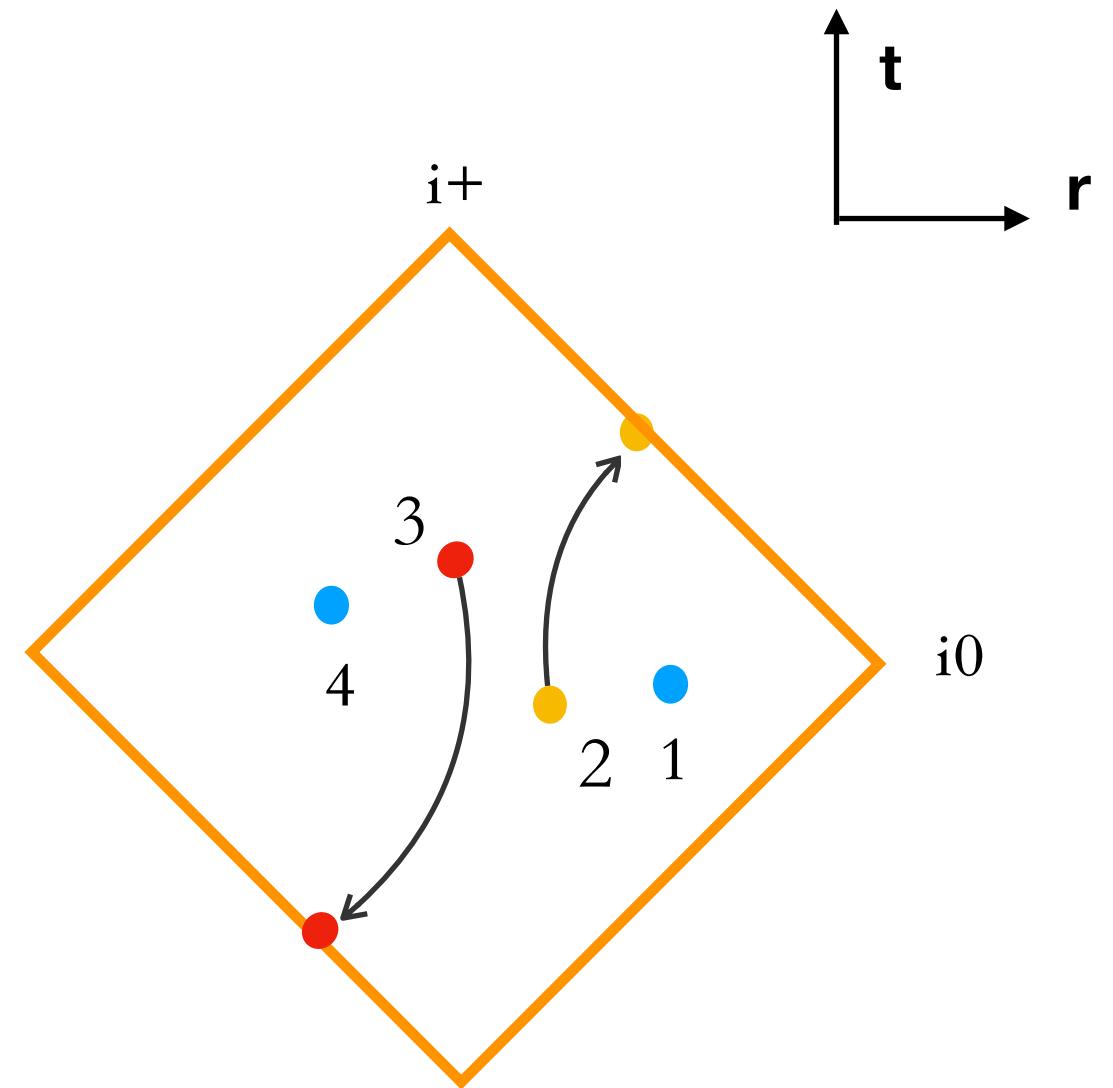
$$x_2^\mu = x_{2+} n^\mu + x_{2-} \bar{n}^\mu, \quad x_3^\mu = x_{3+} n'^\mu + x_{3-} \bar{n}'^\mu$$

Rescale  $x_{2+}$ ,  $x_{3+}$  by a factor of  $\lambda (\rightarrow \infty)$ , the scalar products scale accordingly,

$$x_{12}^2 \rightarrow \lambda x_{12}^2, x_{13}^2 \rightarrow \lambda x_{13}^2, x_{24}^2 \rightarrow \lambda x_{24}^2, x_{34}^2 \rightarrow \lambda x_{34}^2,$$

$$x_{23}^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x_{23}^2, x_{14}^2 \rightarrow x_{14}^2 \quad u \rightarrow u, \quad v \rightarrow v$$

The tensor structure of the correlation function simplifies significantly .



$$\begin{aligned}
& (x_{2+}x_{3+})^2 \langle J^\mu(x_1) J^-(x_2) J^-(x_3) J_\mu(x_4) \rangle \rightarrow \frac{(n\bar{n})(n'\bar{n}')}{2x_{14}^8(nn')^3} v^4 \times \\
& \left\{ \left[ 4 - \frac{2}{u} + 4u - 10v - \frac{6v}{u} + \frac{4v^2}{u} + \frac{x_{31-}}{x_{34-}} (-4 - 6u - 4u^2 + 2v) \right. \right. \\
& + \frac{x_{34-}}{x_{31-}} \left( -6 - \frac{4}{u} - 4u + \frac{2v}{u} \right) \Big] \partial_{uu}^2 \Phi^{(1)} \\
& + \left[ -4 - \frac{4}{u} - \frac{4}{u^2} - 4u - 4v + \frac{2v}{u^2} + \frac{4v^2}{u^2} + \frac{8v^2}{u} - \frac{6v^3}{u^2} + \frac{x_{31-}}{x_{34-}} \left( \frac{4}{u} + 4u + 2v + 4uv - \frac{2v^2}{u} \right) \right. \\
& + \frac{x_{34-}}{x_{31-}} \left( 4 + \frac{4}{u^2} + 4v + \frac{2v}{u} - \frac{2v^2}{u^2} \right) \Big] \partial_{vv}^2 \Phi^{(1)} \\
& + \left[ -\frac{2}{u^2} - \frac{6}{u} + 8u - 2v - \frac{4v}{u^2} + \frac{10v^2}{u^2} + \frac{6v^2}{u} - \frac{4v^3}{u^2} \right. \\
& + \frac{x_{31-}}{x_{34-}} \left( 2 + \frac{4}{u} - 2u - 4u^2 + 4v + \frac{6v}{u} + 4uv - \frac{2v^2}{u} \right) \\
& + \frac{x_{34-}}{x_{31-}} \left( -2 + \frac{4}{u^2} + \frac{2}{u} - 4u + 4v + \frac{6v}{u^2} + \frac{4v}{u} - \frac{2v^2}{u^2} \right) \Big] \partial_{uv}^2 \Phi^{(1)} \\
& + \left[ \frac{6}{u^3} + \frac{10}{u^2} - \frac{4}{v^2} - \frac{4}{u^2v^2} + \frac{2}{u^3v} + \frac{4}{u^2v} + \frac{4}{uv} - \frac{4v}{u^3} \right. \\
& + \frac{x_{31-}}{x_{34-}} \left( -\frac{2}{u^2} + \frac{2}{v^2} + \frac{2}{uv^2} - \frac{6}{uv} \right) + \frac{x_{34-}}{x_{31-}} \left( -\frac{2}{u^3} + \frac{2}{u^2v^2} + \frac{2}{uv^2} - \frac{6}{u^2v} \right) \Big] \Big\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{G}(u, v, \gamma) = \mathcal{P}(u, v, \gamma) \Phi^{(1)}(u, v) + \frac{1}{u^3} r_r(u, v, \gamma) \quad \gamma = \frac{2(n x_{14})(n' x_{14})}{x_{14}^2 (nn')}$$

**second-order differential operator**

$$\mathcal{P}(u, v, \gamma) \equiv \frac{1}{u^2} \left[ u r_{uu}(u, v, \gamma) \partial_{uu}^2 + r_{uv}(u, v, \gamma) \partial_{uv}^2 + r_{vv}(u, v, \gamma) \partial_{vv}^2 \right]$$

# Analytic continuation

**Wightman correlation function:**

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2+}^2 x_{3+}^2 \langle J^\mu(x_1) J^-(x_2) J^-(x_3) J_\mu(x_4) \rangle$$

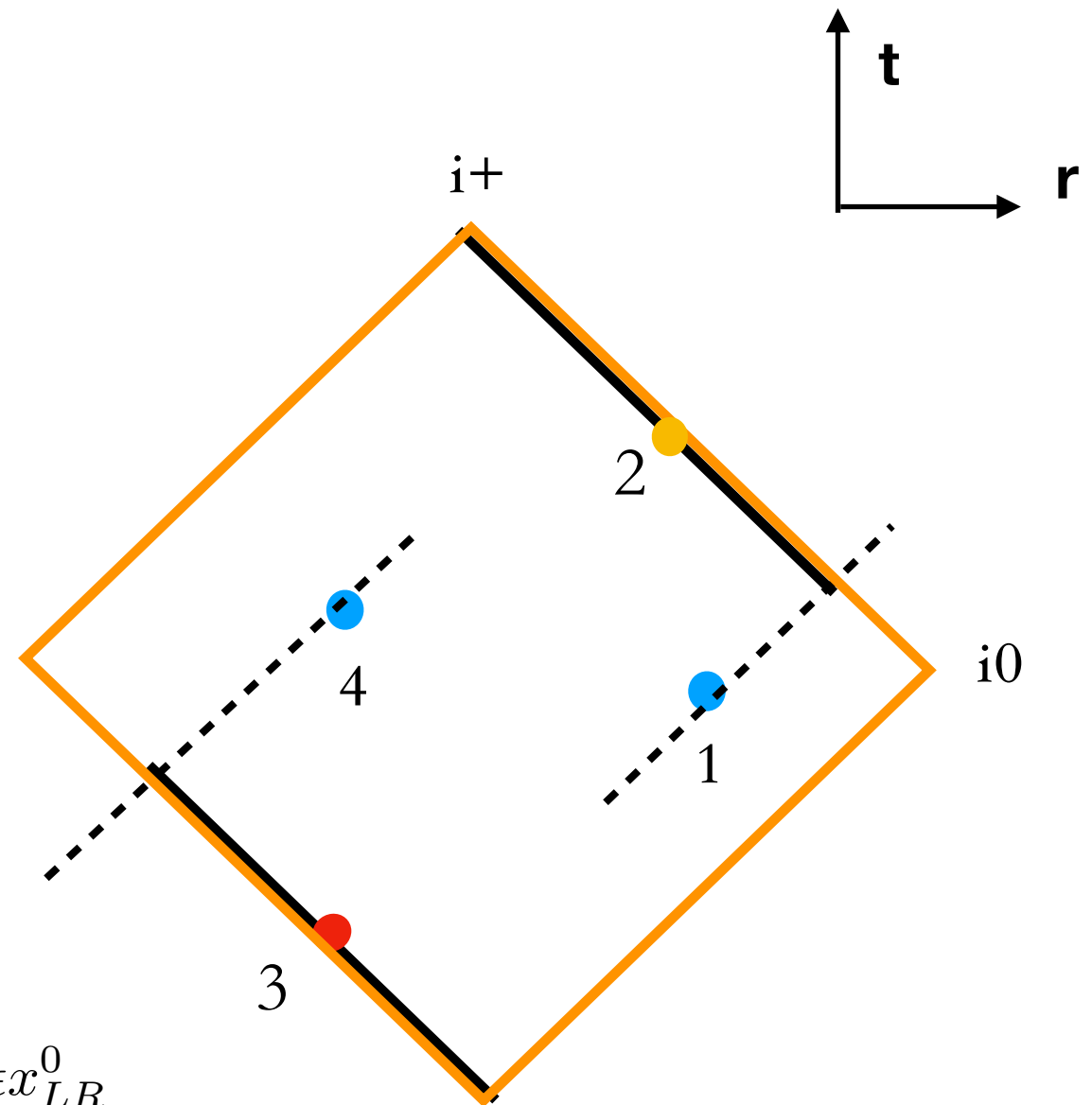
$$:= \frac{(n \cdot \bar{n})(n' \cdot \bar{n}')}{x^2 (n \cdot n')} G_W(u, v, \gamma)$$

In Minkowski space, the distance invariants have small imaginary parts which admit the Wightman prescriptions

$$\langle \cdots O_L \cdots O_R \rangle \quad x_{LR}^2 \rightarrow \hat{x}_{LR}^2 = -x_{LR}^2 + i\epsilon x_{LR}^0$$

$\mathcal{G}_W(u, v)$  **develops branch cut when detectors are time-like separated from the source/sink**

**Time ordering in scattering regime  $1 < 2, 3' < 4'$  specifies the analytic continuation path.**

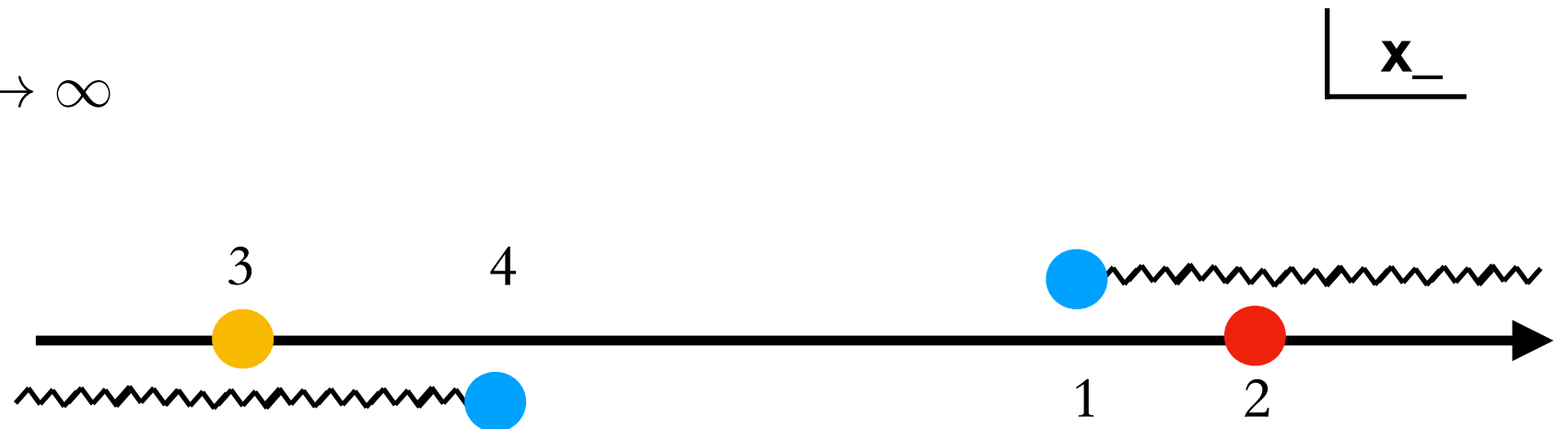


Causal relationships between scattering points

## Time integration: integrated discontinuities

$$x_1 = x, x_4 = 0, x_{2+} = x'_{3+} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$x_{i-} = n \cdot x_i, \quad x'_{i-} = n' \cdot x_i$$



Detector-time integration

**time-integration contour specified  
by Wightman ordering encoded in  
ie prescriptions**

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_{2-} dx'_{3-} \mathcal{G}(u, v)$$

**no end-point singularity;  
branch cuts starting at**

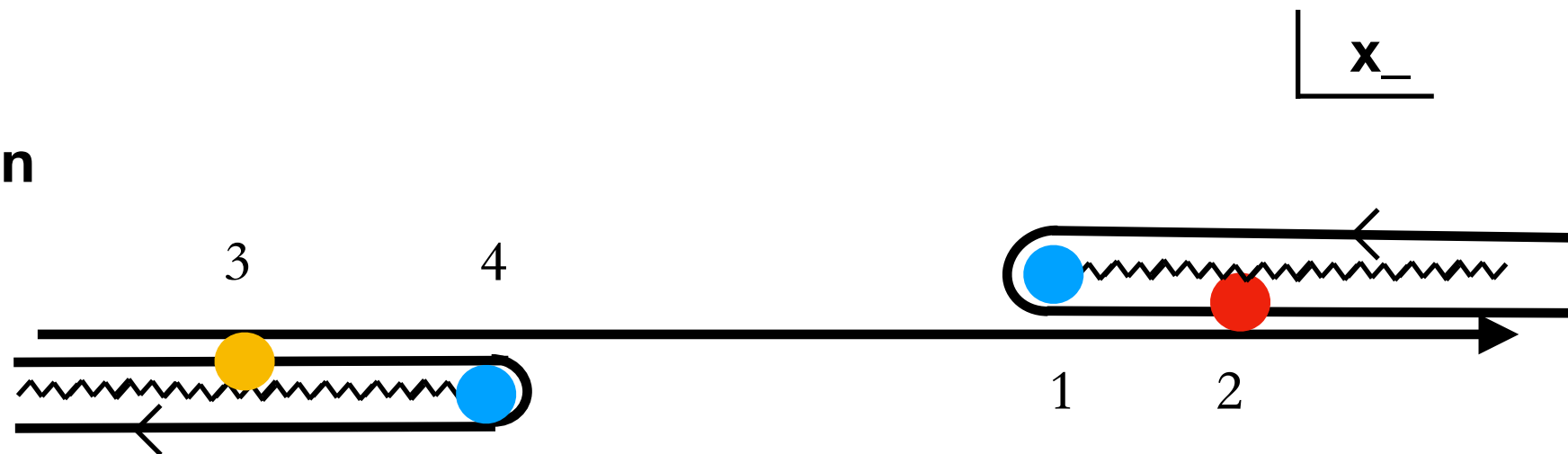
$$x_{2-} = x_-, x'_{3-} = 0$$

**cross ratio after sending  
detectors to null infinity :**

$$u = \frac{\hat{x}^2 (n \cdot n')}{2(x_- - x_{3-} - i\epsilon)(x'_{2-} - i\epsilon)}$$

$$v = \frac{(x_- - x_{2-} - i\epsilon)(x'_{3-} - i\epsilon)}{(x_- - x_{3-} - i\epsilon)(x'_{2-} - i\epsilon)}$$

## Contour deformation



Detector-time integration

integrated double discontinuity:

$$\int_{C_3} dx_{2-} \int_{C_2} dx'_{3-} \boxed{\text{disc}_{x_{2-}=x_-} \text{disc}_{x'_{3-}=0} [\mathcal{G}(u, v)]} \quad v = \frac{(x_- - x_{2-} - i\epsilon)(x'_{3-} - i\epsilon)}{(x_- - x_{3-} - i\epsilon)(x'_{2-} - i\epsilon)}$$

$\circlearrowleft / \circlearrowright$  brings  $v$   
to adjacent  
Riemann sheets

$$\boxed{\text{disc}_{x_{2-}=x_-} = \text{disc}_v^{\circlearrowleft} \quad \text{disc}_{x'_{3-}=0} = \text{disc}_v^{\circlearrowright}}$$

$$d\text{Disc}_v[\mathcal{G}(u, v)]$$

$$d\text{Disc}_v[v^j] = \pi^2 \sin^2(\pi j) |v|^j$$

$$G_{\text{QQC}}(\gamma) \equiv \frac{(n\bar{n})(n'\bar{n}')}{x^2(nn')} \int dx_2 dx_3 \mathcal{G}(u, v, \gamma) \quad \text{double discontinuity at } v=0$$

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{t^2} \frac{d\bar{t}}{\bar{t}^2} \boxed{d\text{Disc}_v} \left[ \mathcal{G}\left(u = \frac{1}{\gamma} t\bar{t}, v = (1-t)(1-\bar{t})\right) \right]$$

**G contains polylogarithmic function whose arguments are (z, zb): u= z\*zb, v=(1-z)(1-zb). Discontinuities should be taken at zb=1.**

One of the time-integrals can be carried out explicitly. We are left with  
an one-fold integral over double discontinuity

$$G_{\text{QQC}}(\gamma) = \int_0^1 d\bar{z} \left\{ d\text{Disc}_{\bar{z}=1} [B_0(\bar{z}, \gamma) \ln(1 - \bar{z}) + A_0(\bar{z}, \gamma)] \right. \\ \left. + \ln(1 - \bar{z}) d\text{Disc}_{\bar{z}=1} [B_1(\bar{z}, \gamma) \ln(1 - \bar{z}) + A_1(\bar{z}, \gamma)] \right\}$$

$A_{0,1}$  and  $B_{0,1}$  contain only isolated poles but no branch cut at  $zb=1$ . Taking  
double discontinuity generates distributional terms at  $zb=1$ .



The integral picks up the residue of  $A_1$  and  $B_0$  at  $z_b = 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} G_{\text{QQC}}(\gamma) &= 2\pi^2 [\text{Res}_{\bar{z}=1} B_0(\bar{z}, \gamma) - \text{Res}_{\bar{z}=1} A_1(\bar{z}, \gamma)] \\ &= -\frac{32\pi^2}{\gamma^3} \left[ \text{Li}_2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\gamma} \right) + \frac{3}{2} \log(\gamma) - \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \frac{\gamma}{2} + \frac{7}{4} \right] \end{aligned}$$

**Fourier transform into momentum space**

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\text{QQC}}(z) &= -\frac{32\pi^2}{(nn')^2} \int \frac{d^4 x_1 e^{iqx_{14}}}{x_{14}^6} G_{\text{QQC}}(\gamma) \\ &= -\frac{2\pi^5 q^2}{(nn')^2} \frac{(2+z)z + 2\log(1-z)}{z(1-z)} \end{aligned}$$

**we find full agreement with momentum space calculation.**

**At  $N^k$  LO,**

**off-shell position-space calculation**

**(k+1)-loop integral over k  
insertion points + 2-fold time  
integral**

**IR finite, avoids regularisation.  
calculation carried in four dimension**

**systematic procedure**

- **can be repeated at higher-  
loop order**
- **novel methods for  
computing finite integrals  
applicable**

**on-shell phase-space calculation**

**(k+3)- body real phase-space  
integral + virtual loop  
integrals**

**Separate pieces are IR divergent,  
regularised in  $D=4-2\epsilon$**

**difficulty in atomisation**

- **multi-body phase-space  
integration over phase-space  
constraints**
- **D-dimensional integral  
reduction**

# Future directions

**We developed a new and efficient approach, for systematic computation of energy-energy correlations at higher loop orders.**

- **further development of our method**
  - **at higher loop order/ with higher detector multiplicity**
  - **analogous study on other observables**
- **Opens door to novel ideas on the studies of event shape**
  - **Event shape should naturally admits a definition in terms of correlation among energy-flow (ANEC) operators**
  - **Goal driven study: construct novel event shape observables that fulfil this requirement**

**Thank you for your attention !**