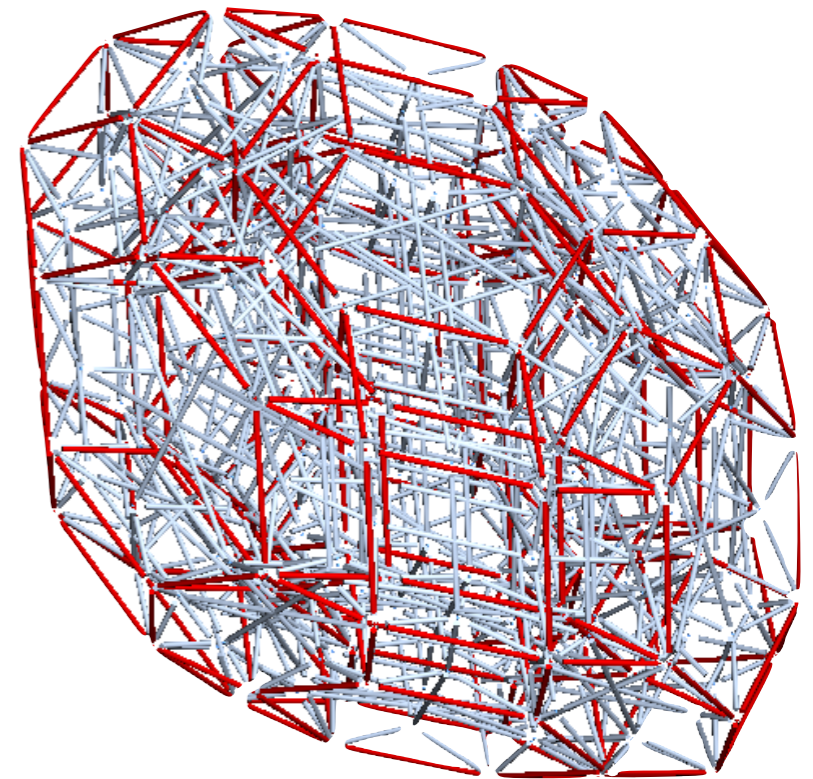
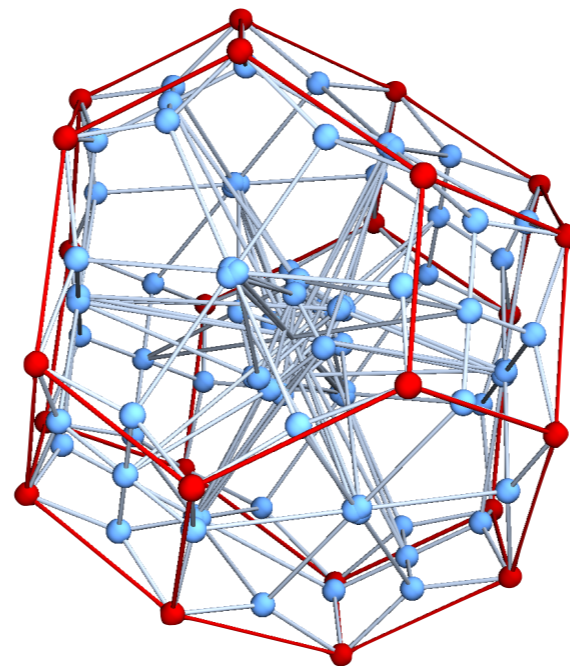
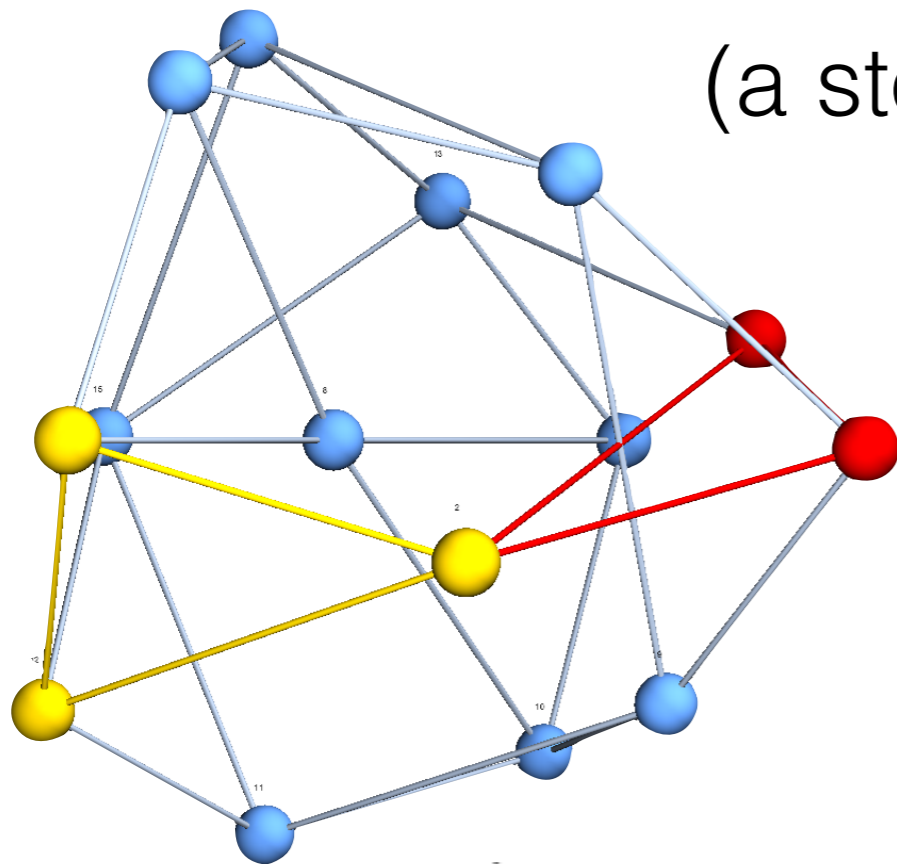


Playful Constructions in Double Copy Predictions

(a story about stories)



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preQFT: Strategic Predictions for Quantum Field Theories



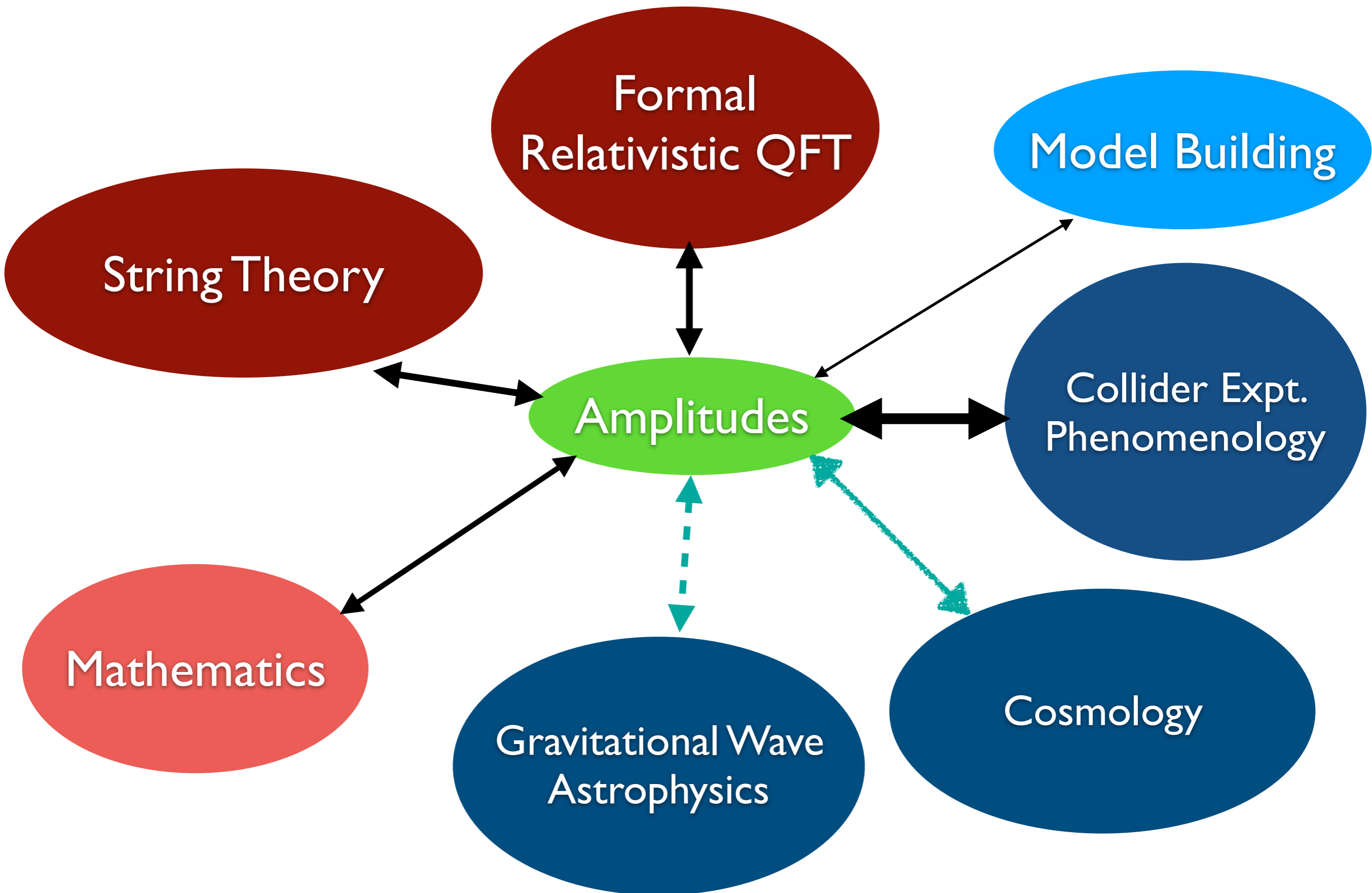
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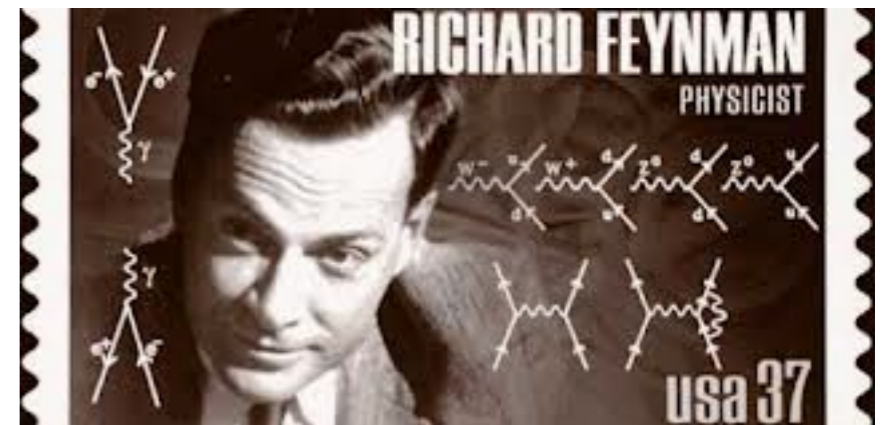
Who we currently connect to:



Stories

Perturbative Quantum stories from Actions?

Use Feynman rules.



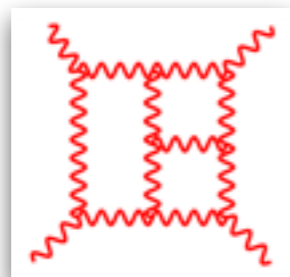
$$\mu \frac{4\pi e^2}{g^2} \mu$$

Consider Einstein-Hilbert Action:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{gravity}} = -\frac{2}{\kappa^2} \sqrt{g} R$$

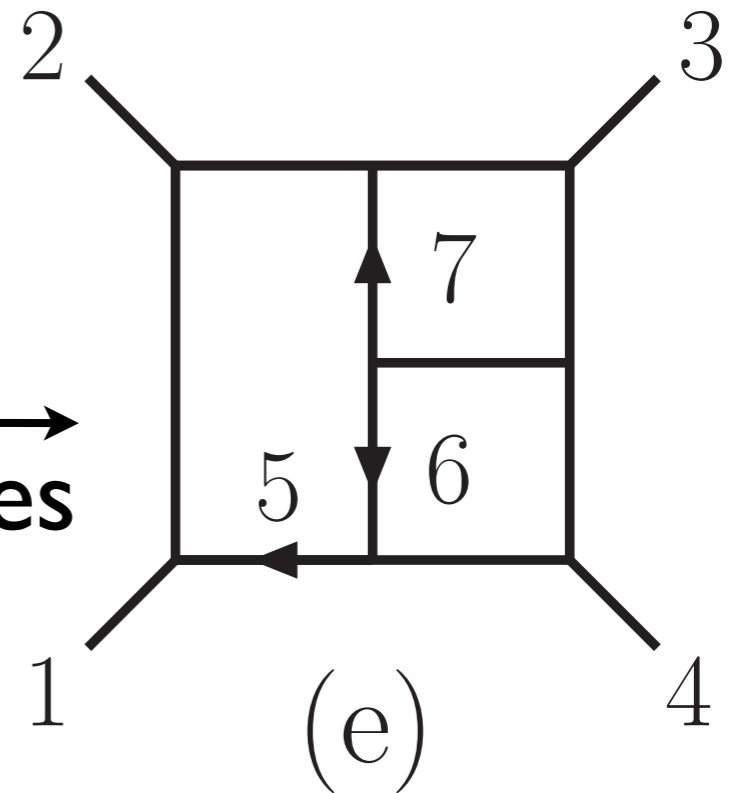
Who could complain about this?

MOST SYMMETRIC 4D THEORY, N=8 SUGRA



$\sim 10^{20}$
TERMS

→
add all other particles



$$\propto \int stu \mathcal{M}_4^{(0)} \frac{\left(s (k_4 + l_5)^2 \right)^2}{d \circ (e) \equiv (l_5^2 l_6^2 l_7^2 (k_1 - l_5)^2 \dots)}$$

Some truths obscured by actions:

Calculate with physical (on-shell) quantities: $k_i^2 = 0$

Physical (on-shell) tree-level amplitudes contain all the information necessary to verify and build all loop-level amplitudes

Bern, Dixon, Dunbar, and Kosower ('94,'95)

Bern, Dixon, and Kosower ('96)

Physical (on-shell) three-vertices contain all the information necessary to build all tree-level amplitudes

Britto, Cachazo, Feng, and Witten ('05)

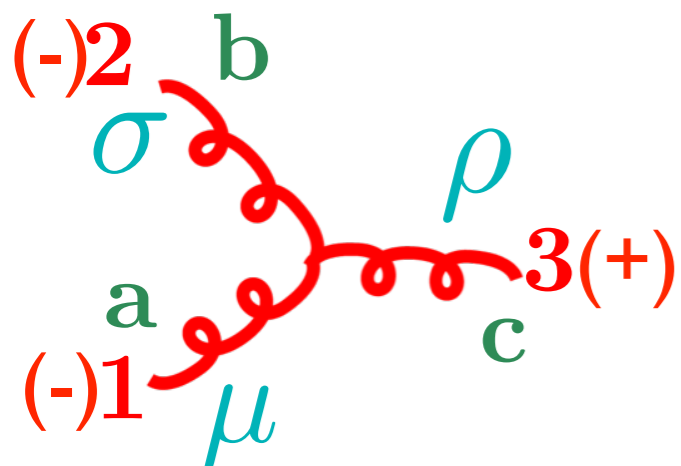
Easy verification \Rightarrow Natural construction. Method of maximal cuts.

Bern, JJMC, Johansson, Kosower ('07)

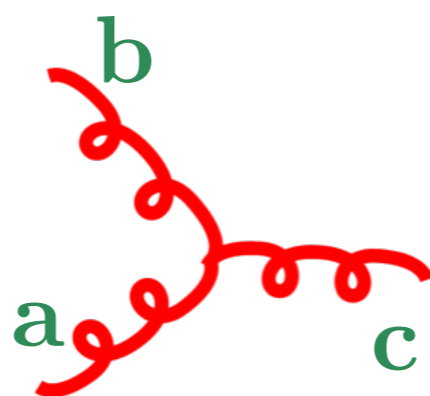
$$k_i^2 = 0$$

Physical gluon 3-vertex:

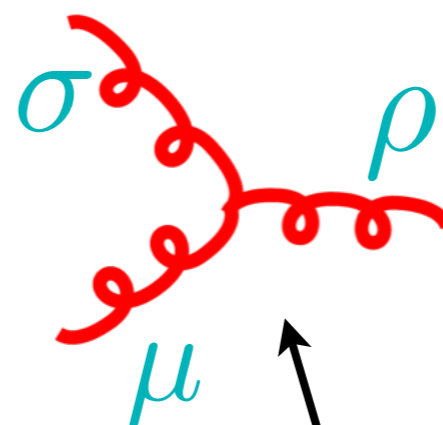
$$f^{abc} (k_1^\sigma \eta^{\mu\rho} - k_2^\mu \eta^{\rho\sigma})$$



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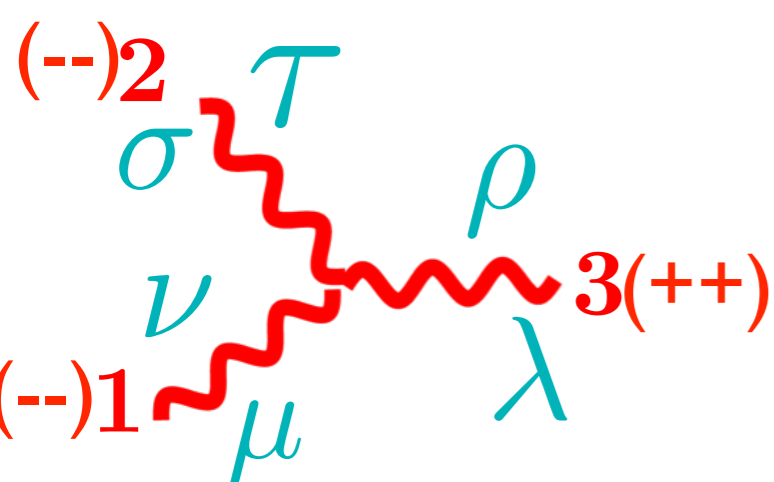
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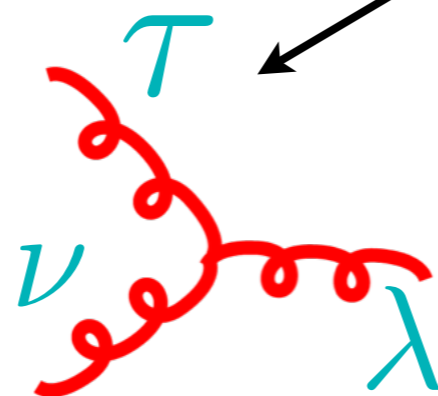
color weight

kinematic weights

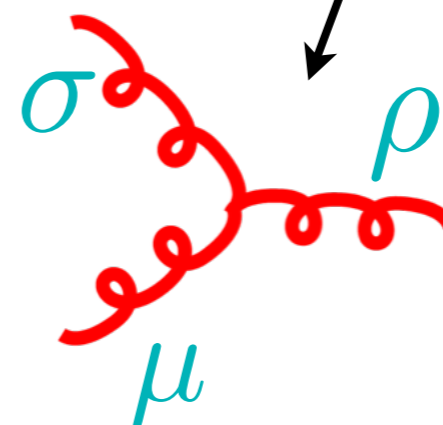
Physical graviton 3-vertex:



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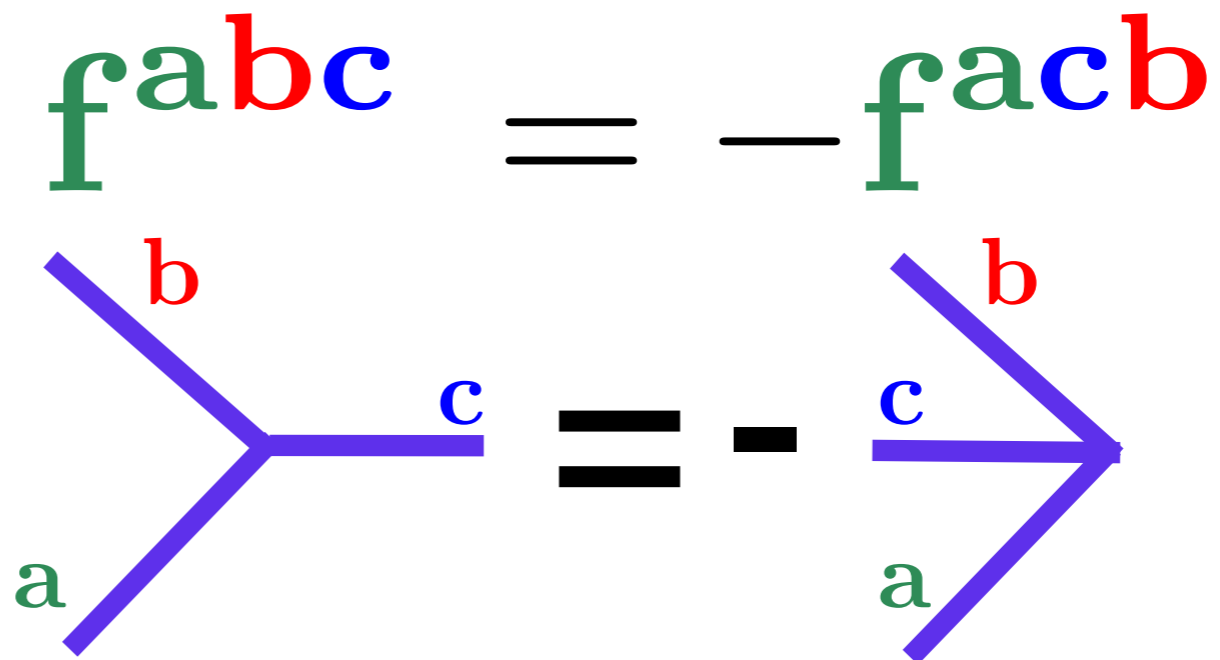


$$(k_1^\sigma \eta^{\mu\rho} - k_2^\mu \eta^{\rho\sigma}) (k_1^\tau \eta^{\nu\lambda} - k_2^\nu \eta^{\lambda\tau})$$

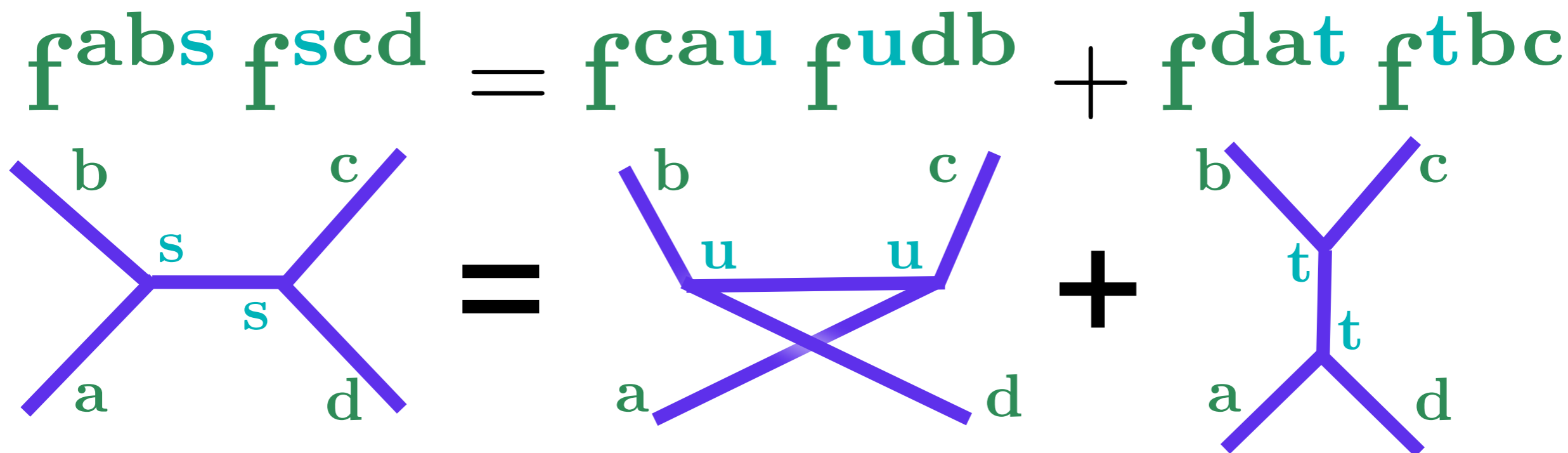
Lie Algebra structure constants:



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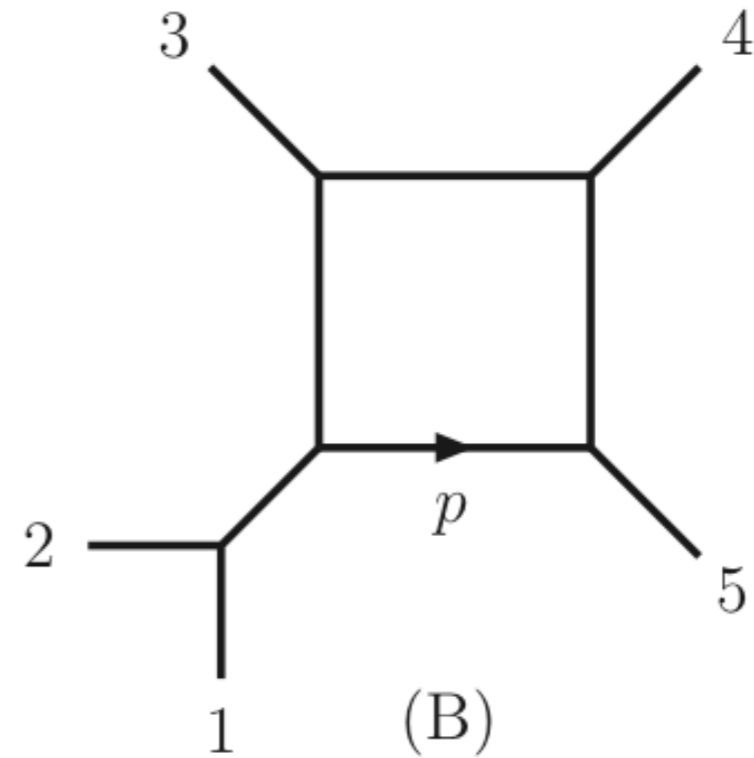
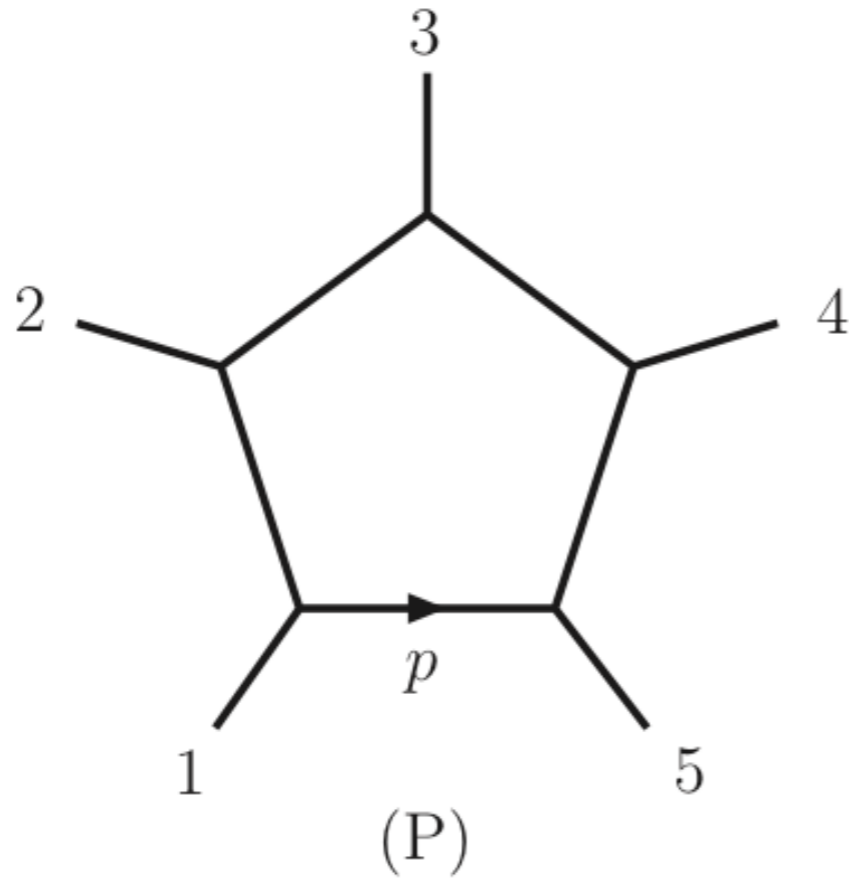




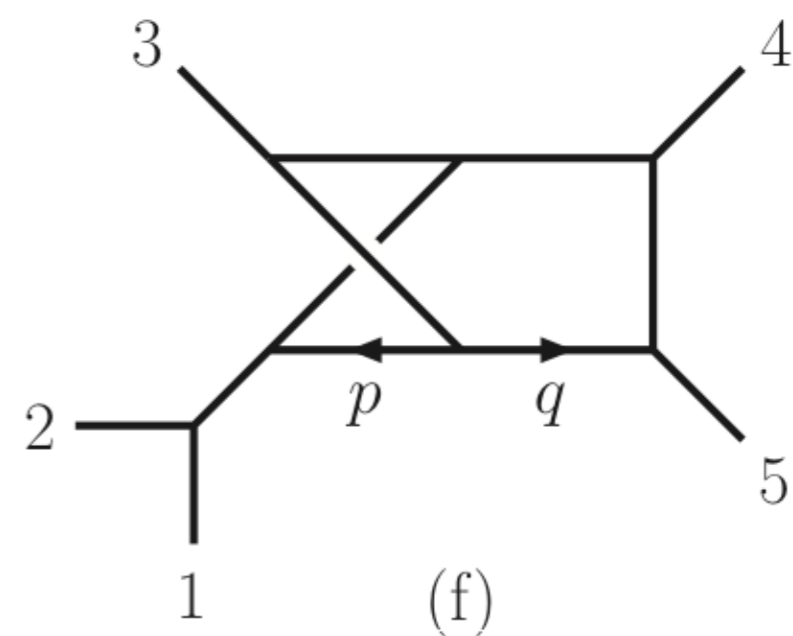
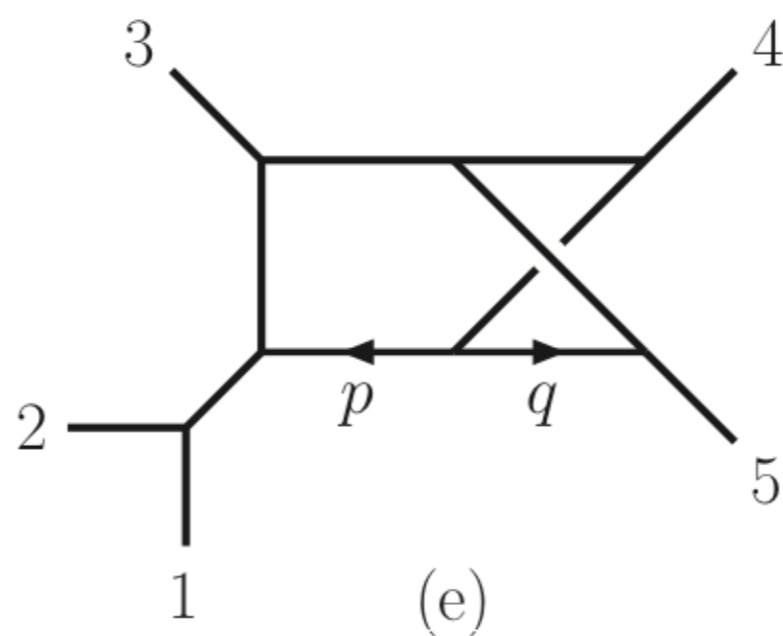
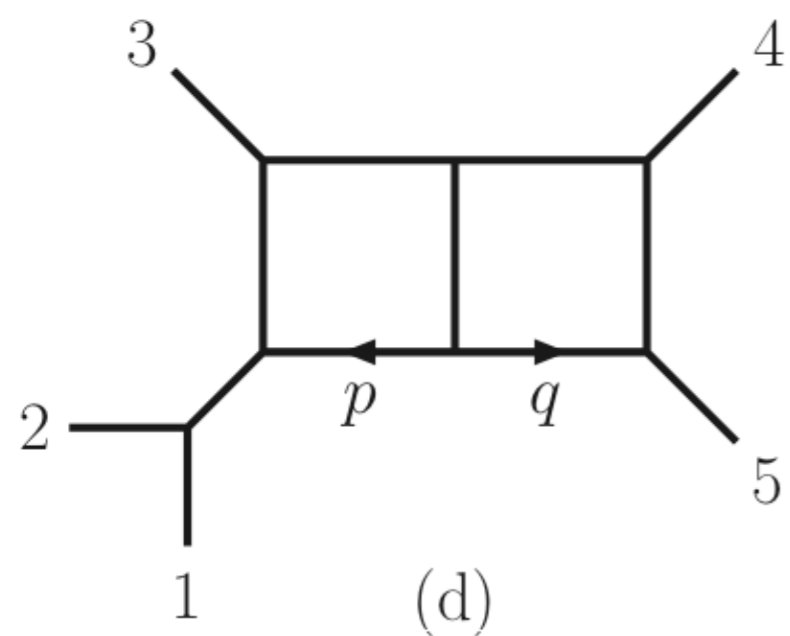
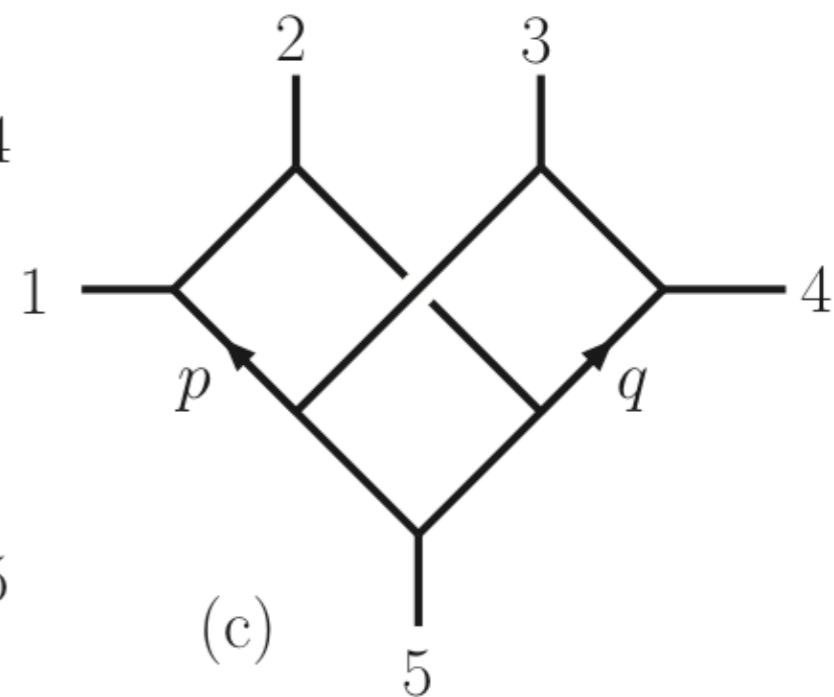
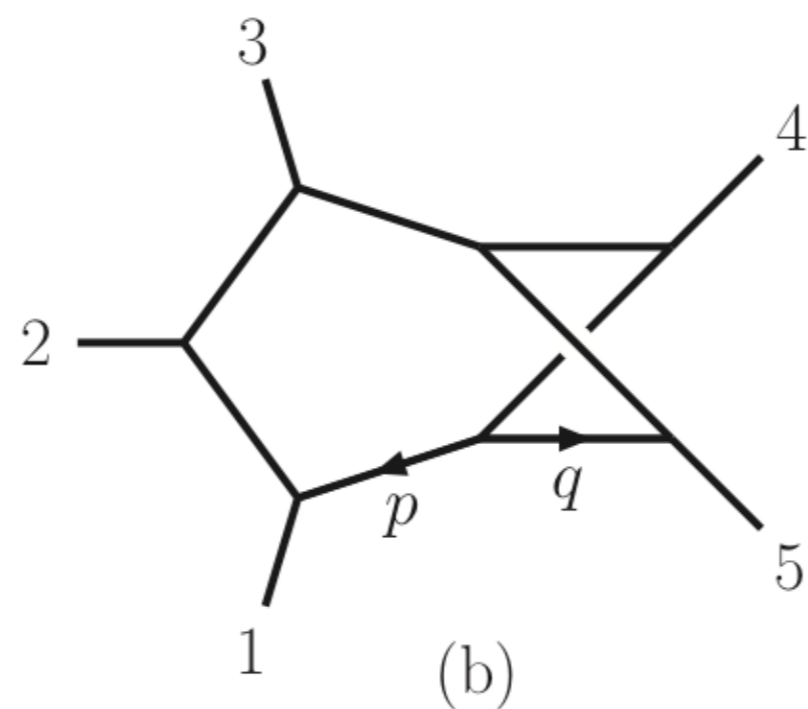
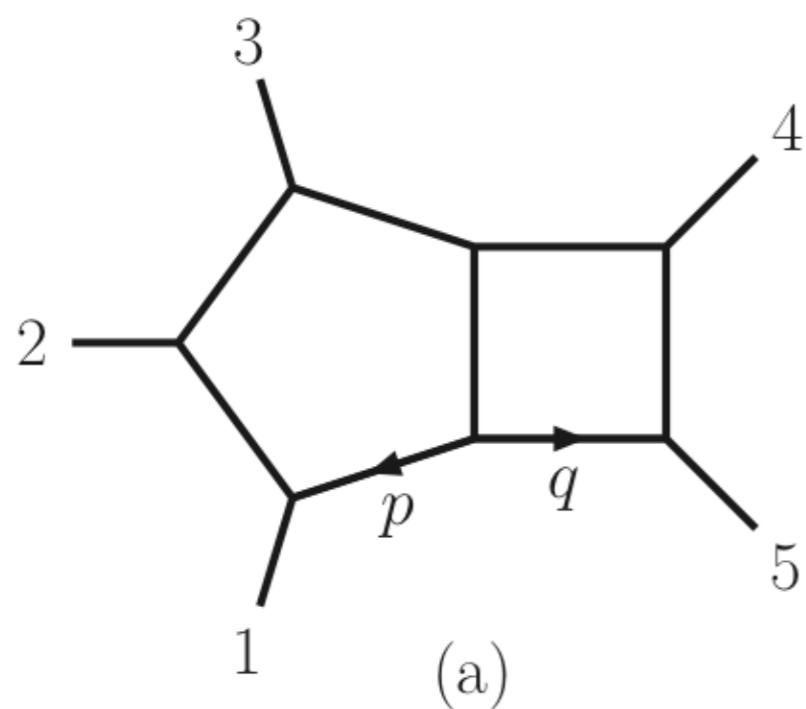
Ready to solve all of life's problems?



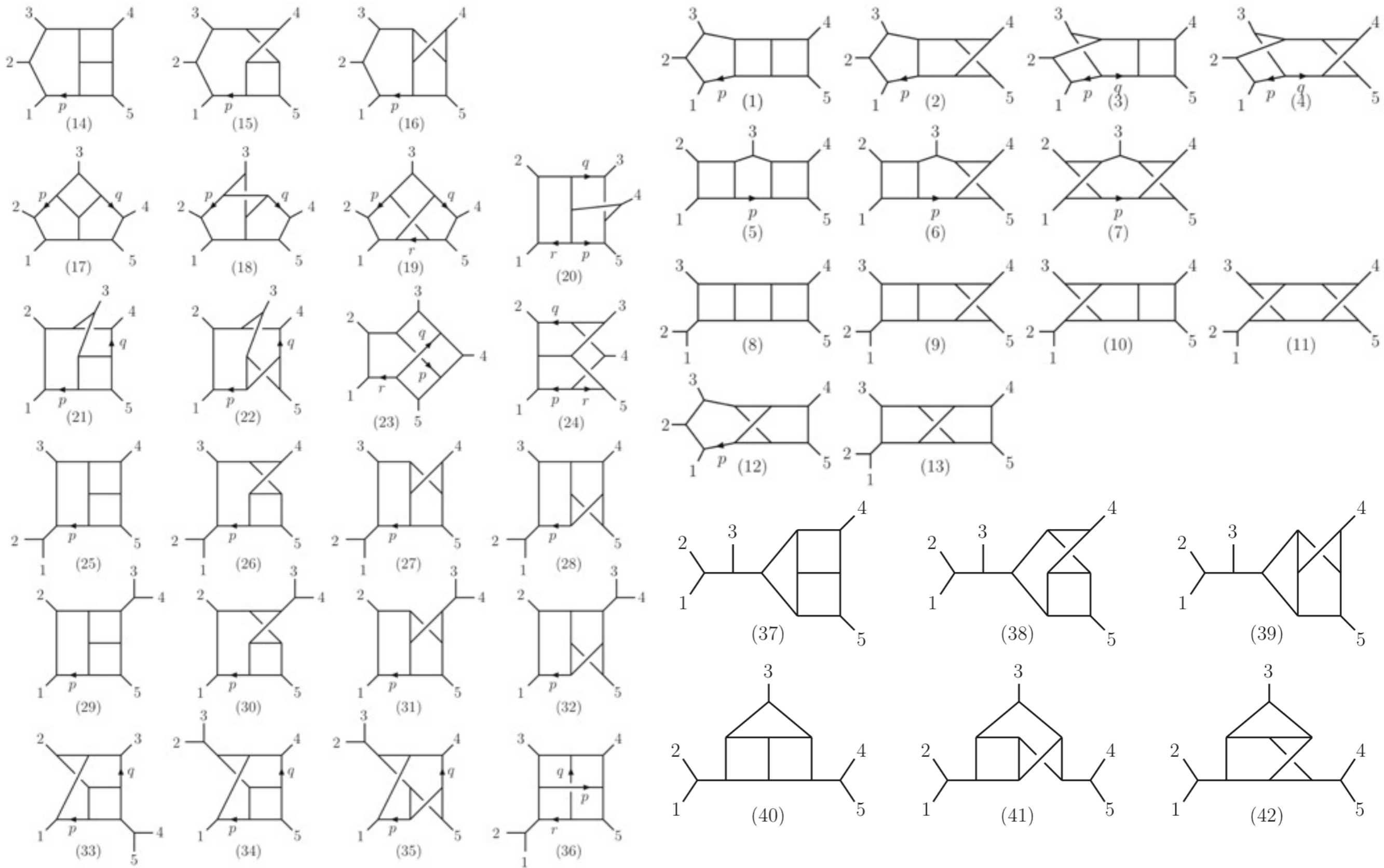
Five point 1-loop (no triangles, no bubbles)



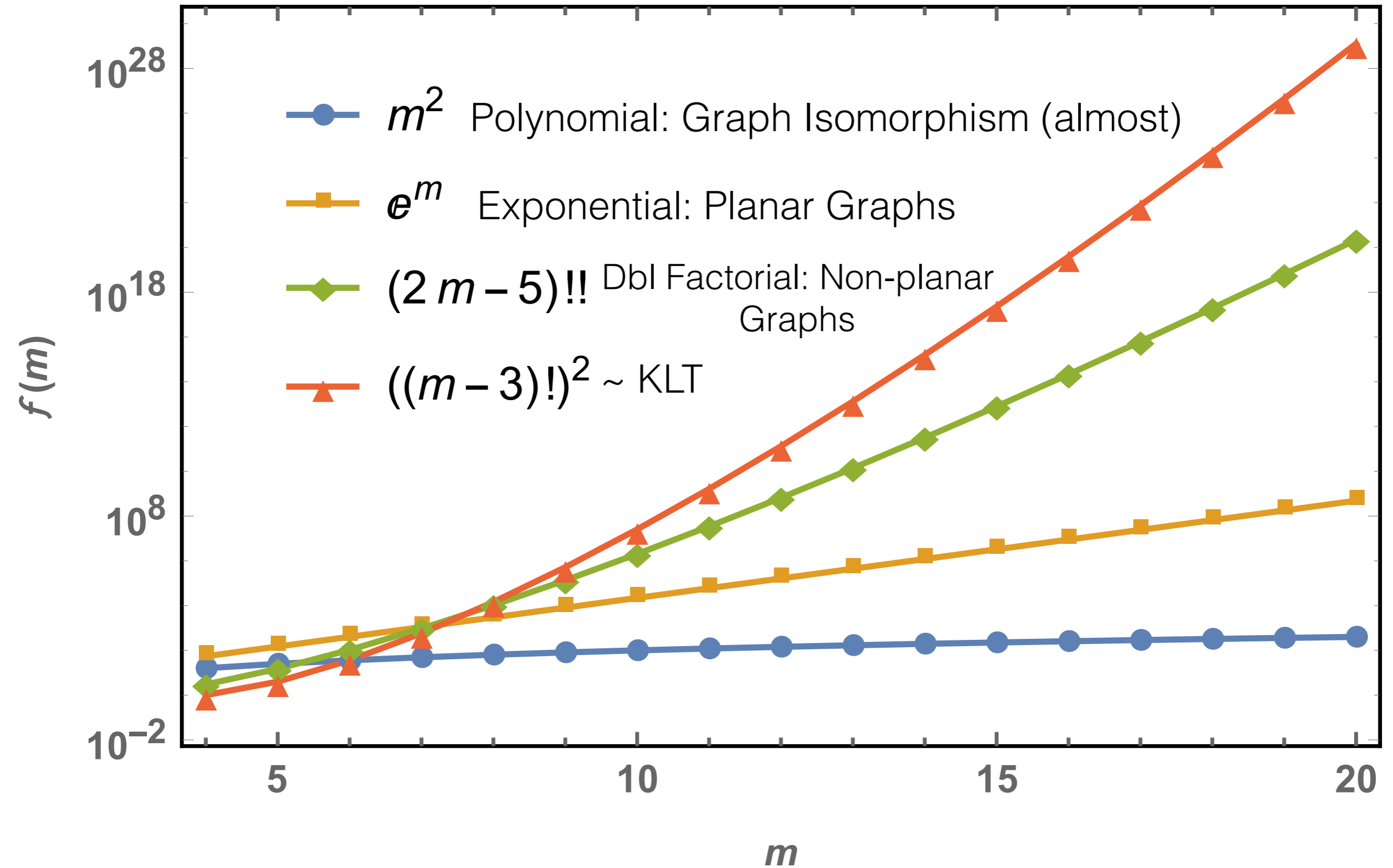
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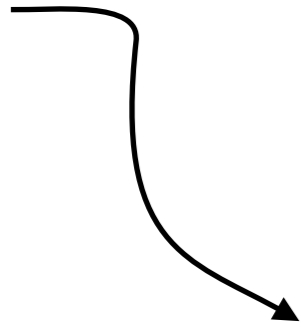
Five point 3-loop (no bubbles, no triangles)



Scaling Behavior



the game of **Scattering Amplitudes**

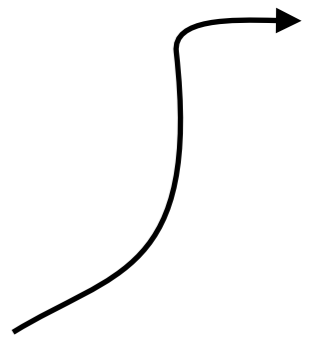


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free states
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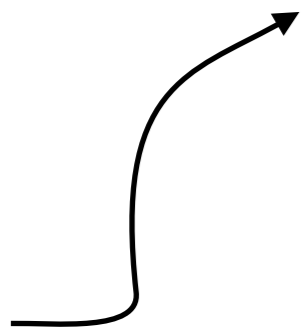
[S — matrix]

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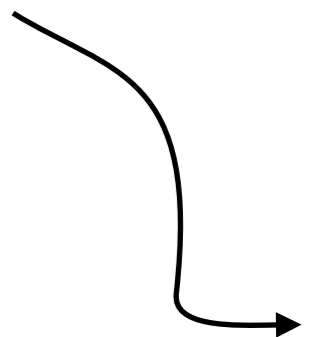


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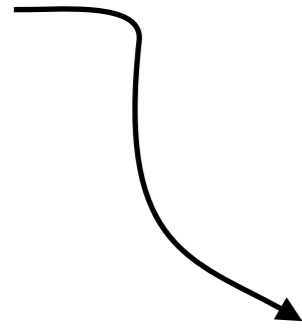
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Key Property: GAUGE INVARIANT

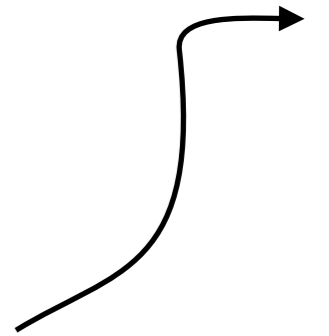
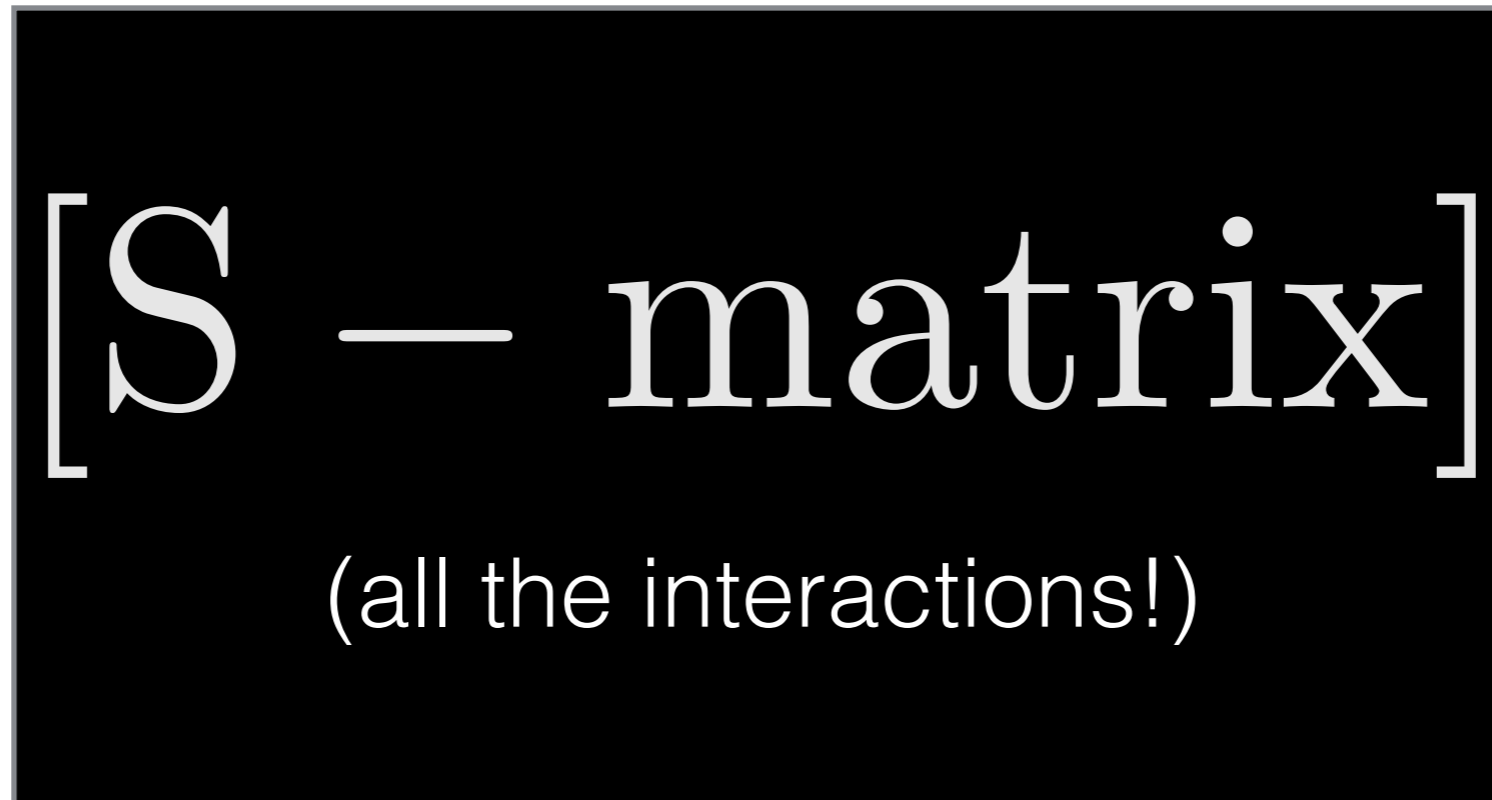


the game of **Scattering Amplitudes**



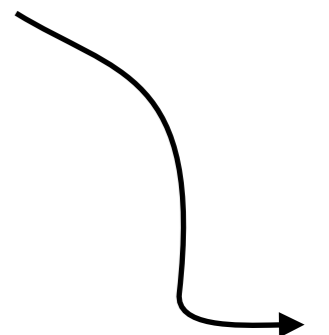
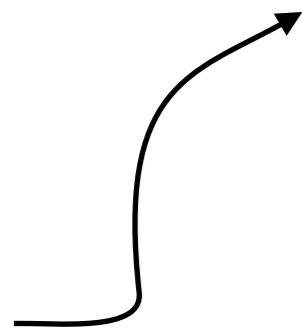
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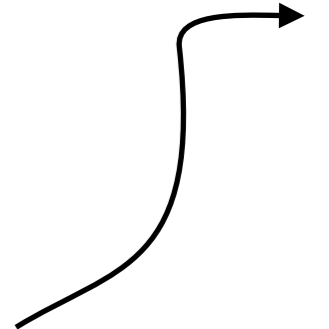
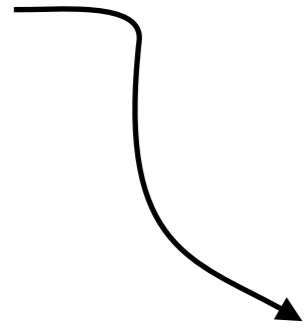
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the game of Scattering Amplitudes

**QFT, NR-QM, String Theory,
Classical Physics...**

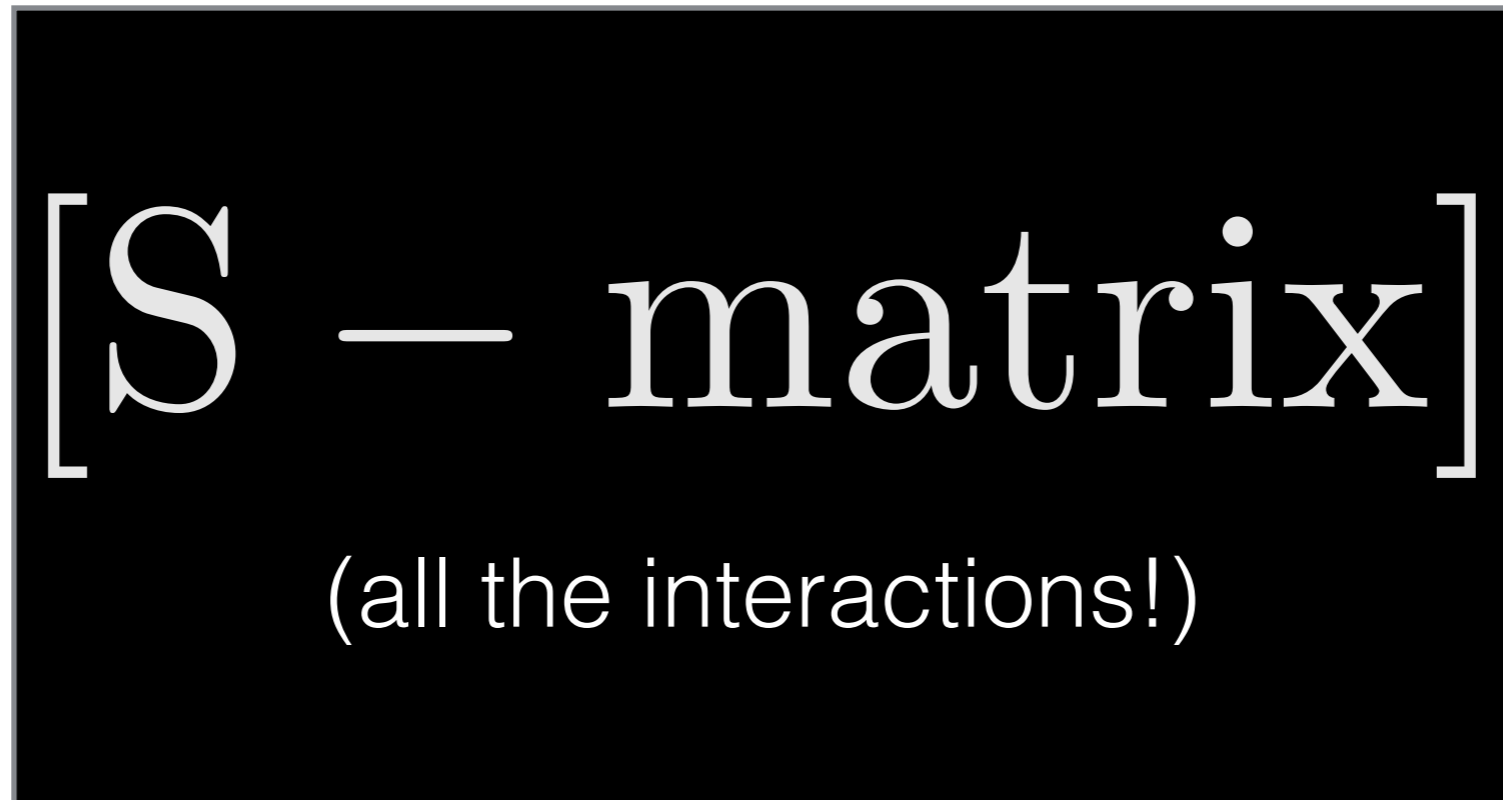


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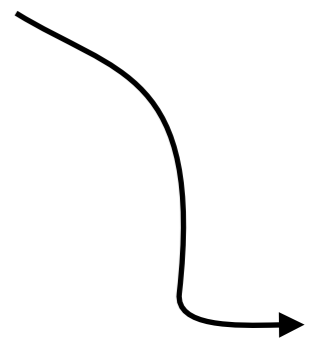
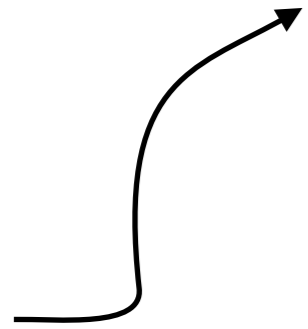
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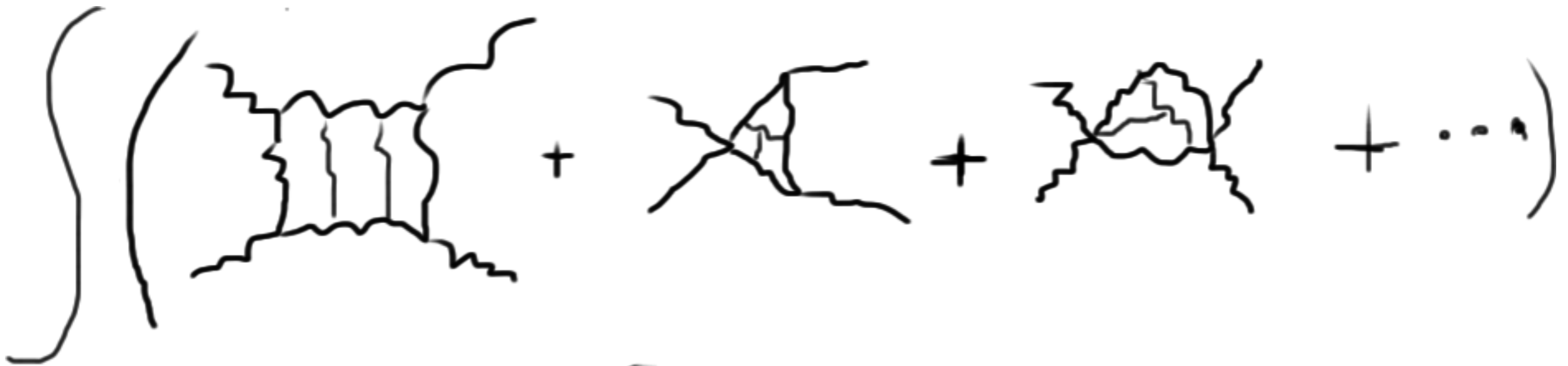
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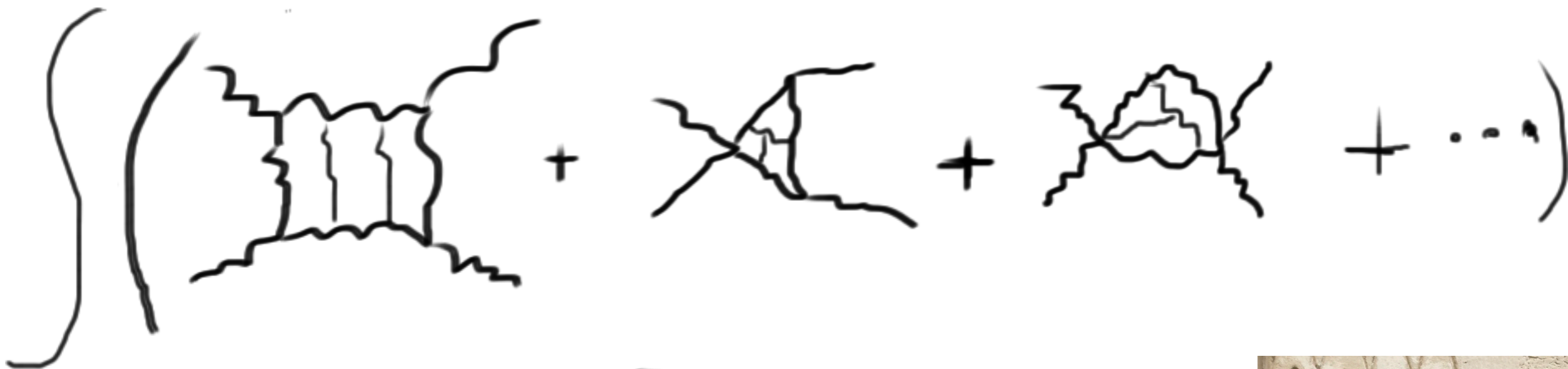
Same predictions, but definitely different stories

NECESSARY



\equiv } expression

NECESSARY



$$= \int \sum_g \frac{n^{\circ}g}{d^{\circ}g}$$



SUFFICIENT

$$\mathcal{U}_c \left(\text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \mathcal{U}_c \sum_g \frac{n^{\circ} g}{d^{\circ} g}$$

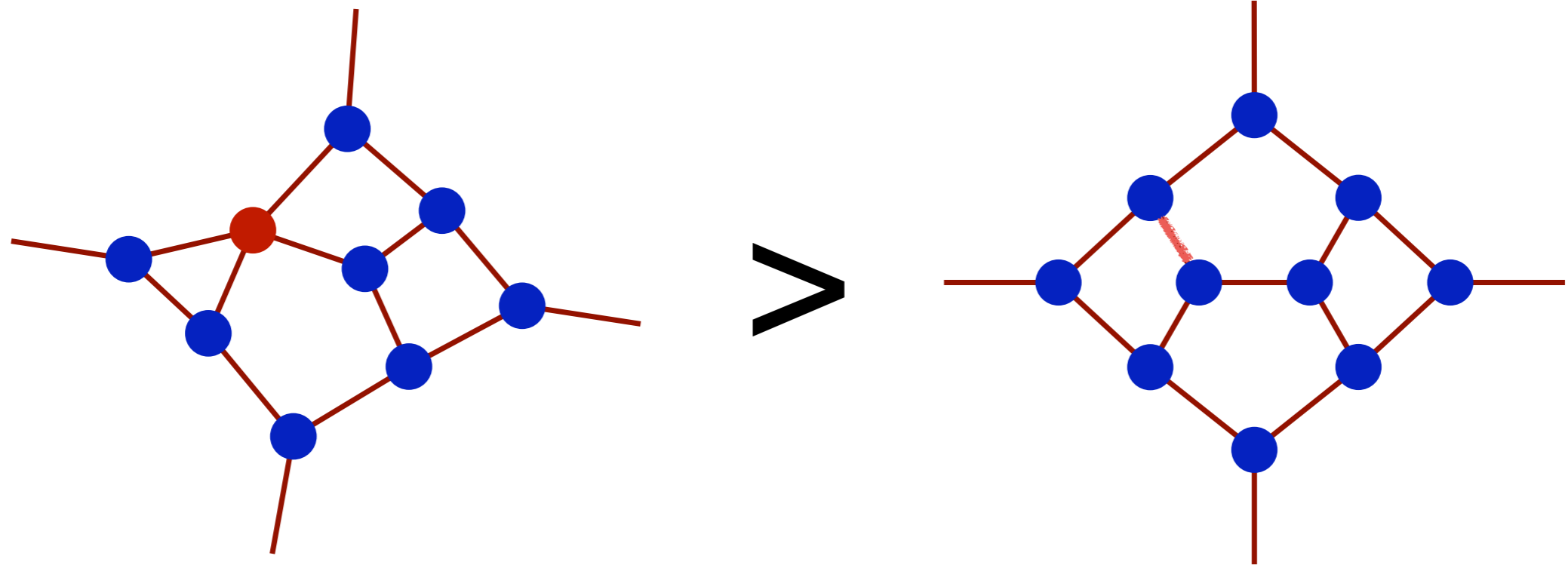
**Bern, Dixon, Dunbar,
and Kosower ('94, '95)**

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$\forall \mathcal{U}_c \in$ unitarity cuts

SPANNING CUTS



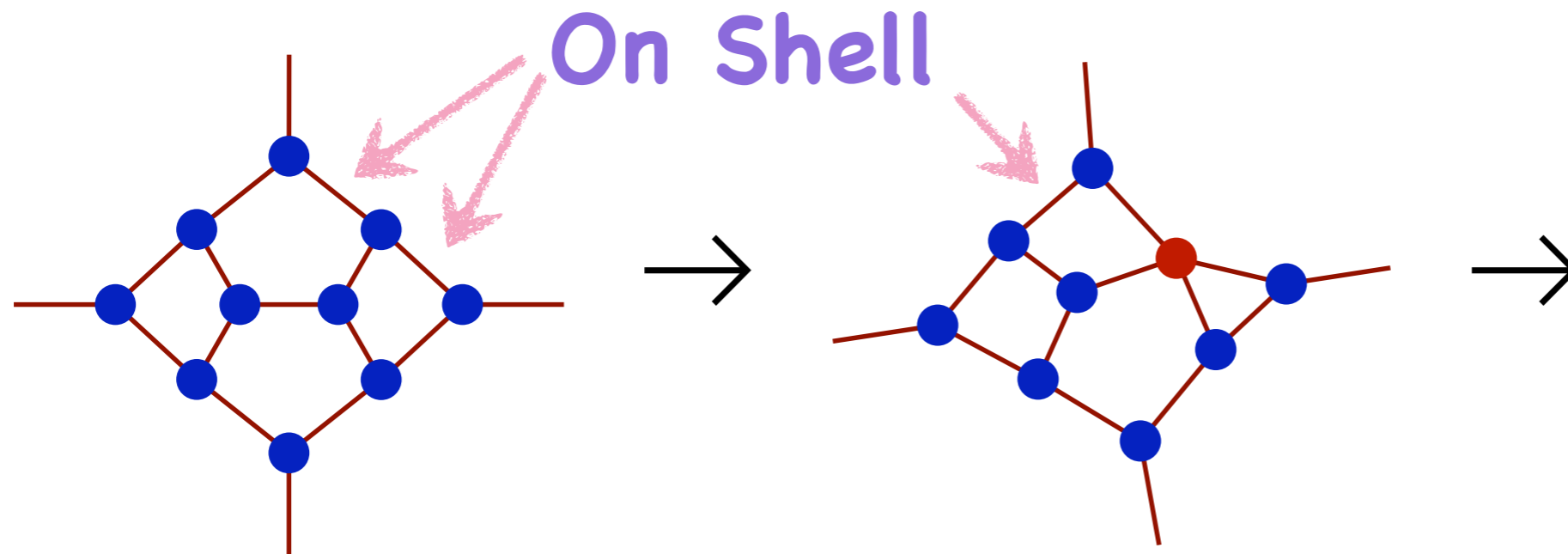
leads to notion of a **Minimal Spanning Set**

EASY VERIFICATION

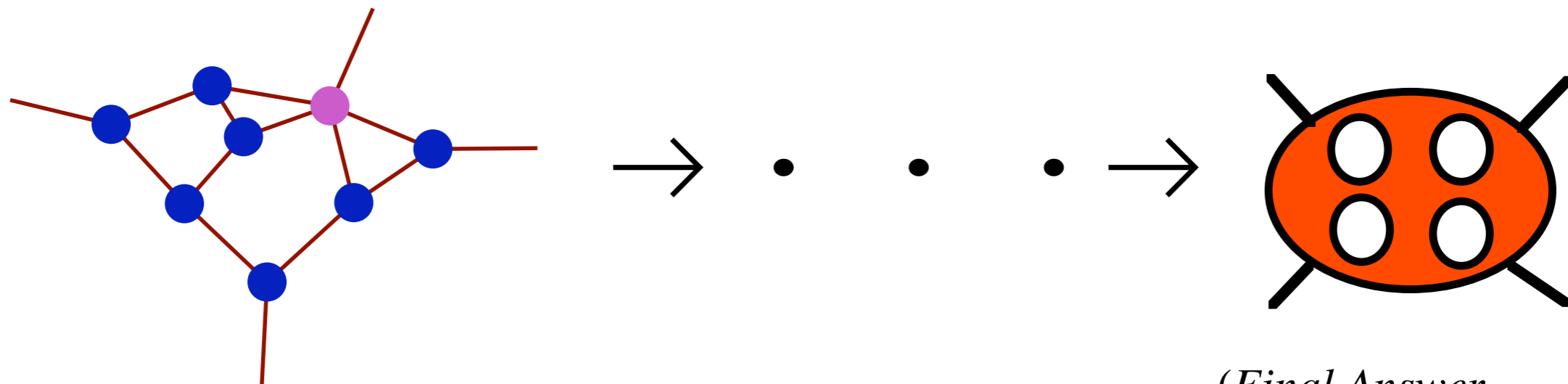
EASY VERIFICATION \longrightarrow NATURAL CONSTRUCTION

METHOD OF MAXIMAL CUTS

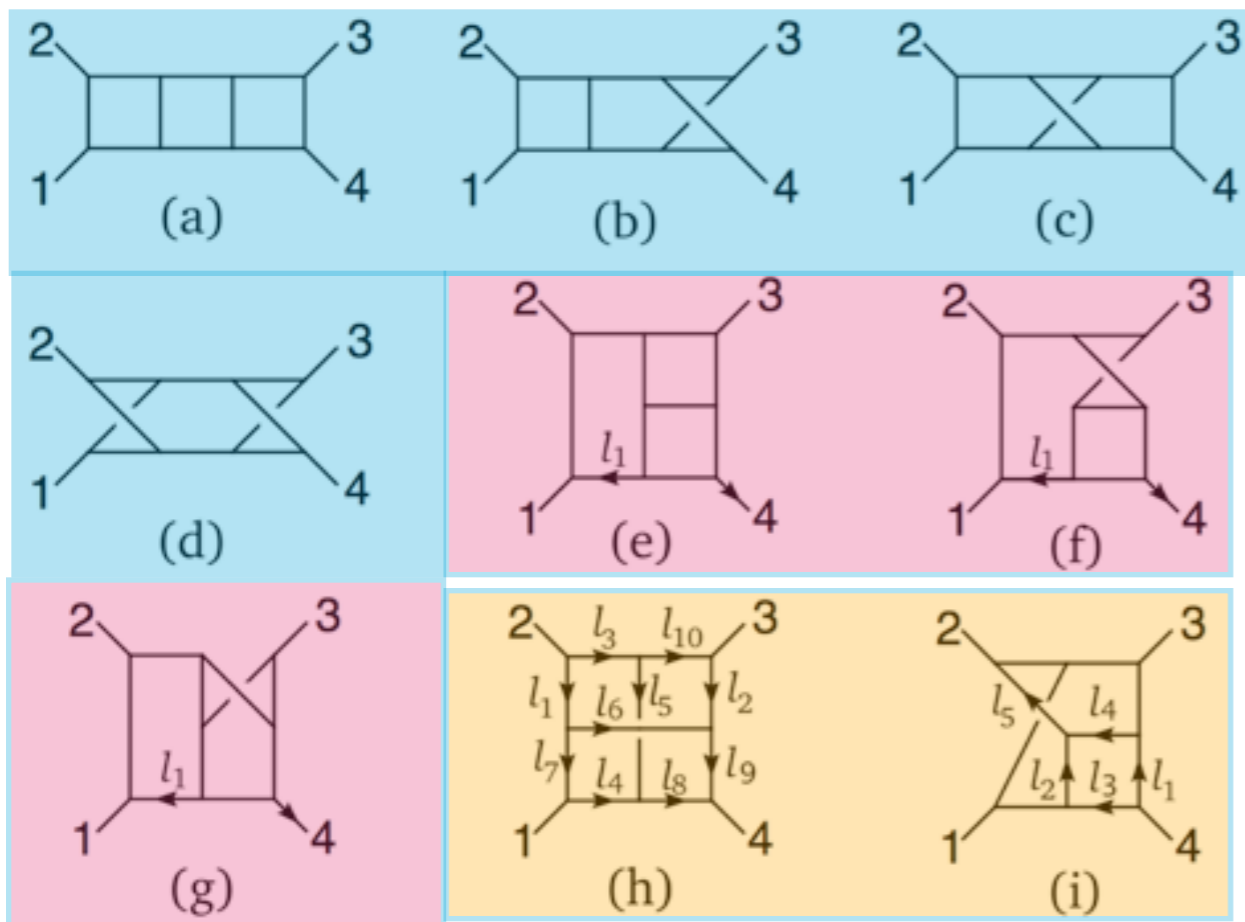
Bern, JJMC, Kosower, Johansson



(\forall exposed propagators $p^2 = 0$)

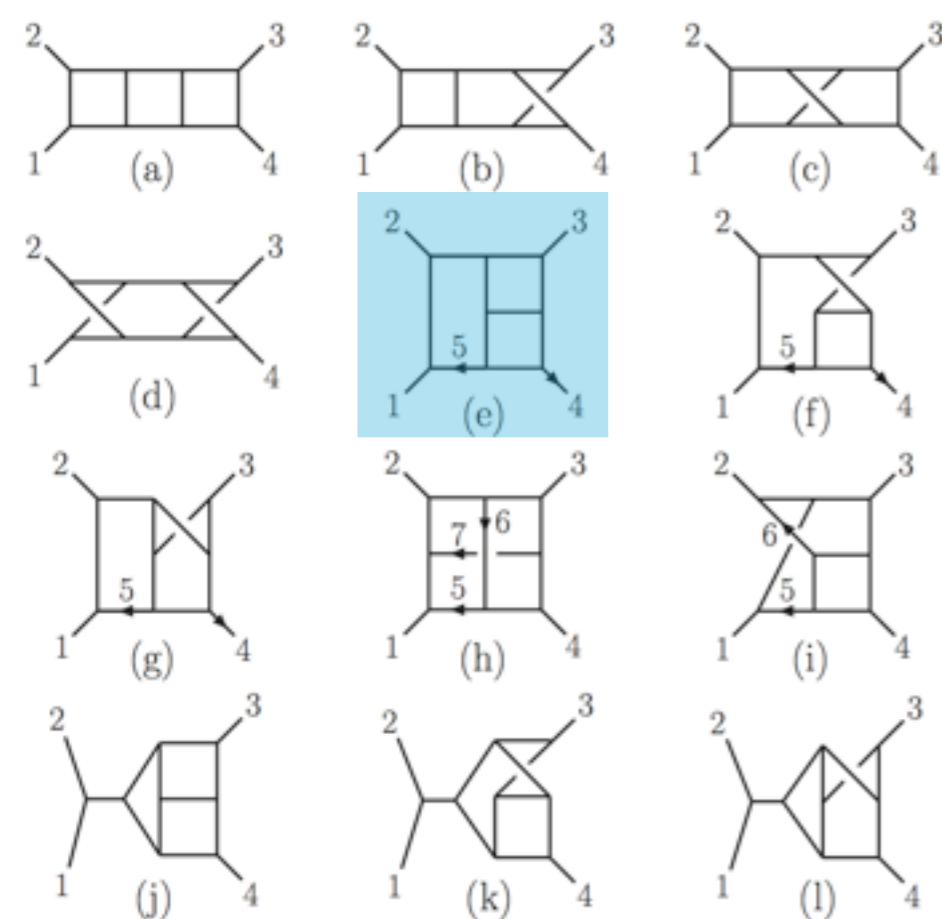


(*Final Answer,
no cut conditions!*)



Original solution of three-loop four-point $\mathcal{N}=4$ sYM and $\mathcal{N}=8$ sugra

Integral	$\mathcal{N} = 4$ Yang-Mills	$\mathcal{N} = 8$ Supergravity
(a)–(d)	s^2	$[s^2]^2$
(e)–(g)	$s(l_1 + k_4)^2$	$[s(l_1 + k_4)^2]^2$
(h)	$s(l_1 + l_2)^2 + t(l_3 + l_4)^2$ $- sl_5^2 - tl_6^2 - st$	$(s(l_1 + l_2)^2 + t(l_3 + l_4)^2 - st)^2 - s^2(2((l_1 + l_2)^2 - t) + l_5^2)l_5^2$ $- t^2(2((l_3 + l_4)^2 - s) + l_6^2)l_6^2 - s^2(2l_7^2l_2^2 + 2l_1^2l_9^2 + l_2^2l_9^2 + l_1^2l_7^2)$ $- t^2(2l_3^2l_8^2 + 2l_{10}^2l_4^2 + l_8^2l_4^2 + l_3^2l_{10}^2) + 2stl_5^2l_6^2$
(i)	$s(l_1 + l_2)^2 - t(l_3 + l_4)^2$ $-\frac{1}{3}(s - t)l_5^2$	$(s(l_1 + l_2)^2 - t(l_3 + l_4)^2)^2$ $- (s^2(l_1 + l_2)^2 + t^2(l_3 + l_4)^2 + \frac{1}{3}stu)l_5^2$

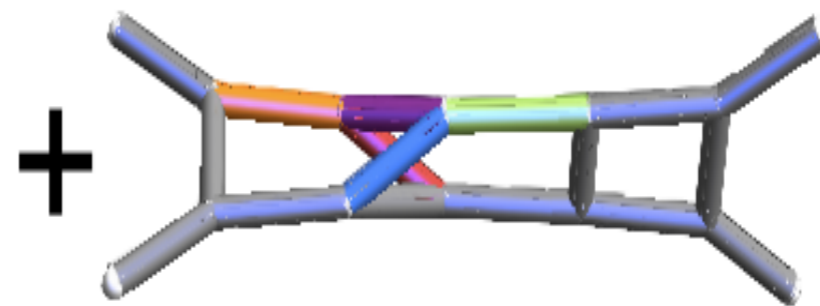
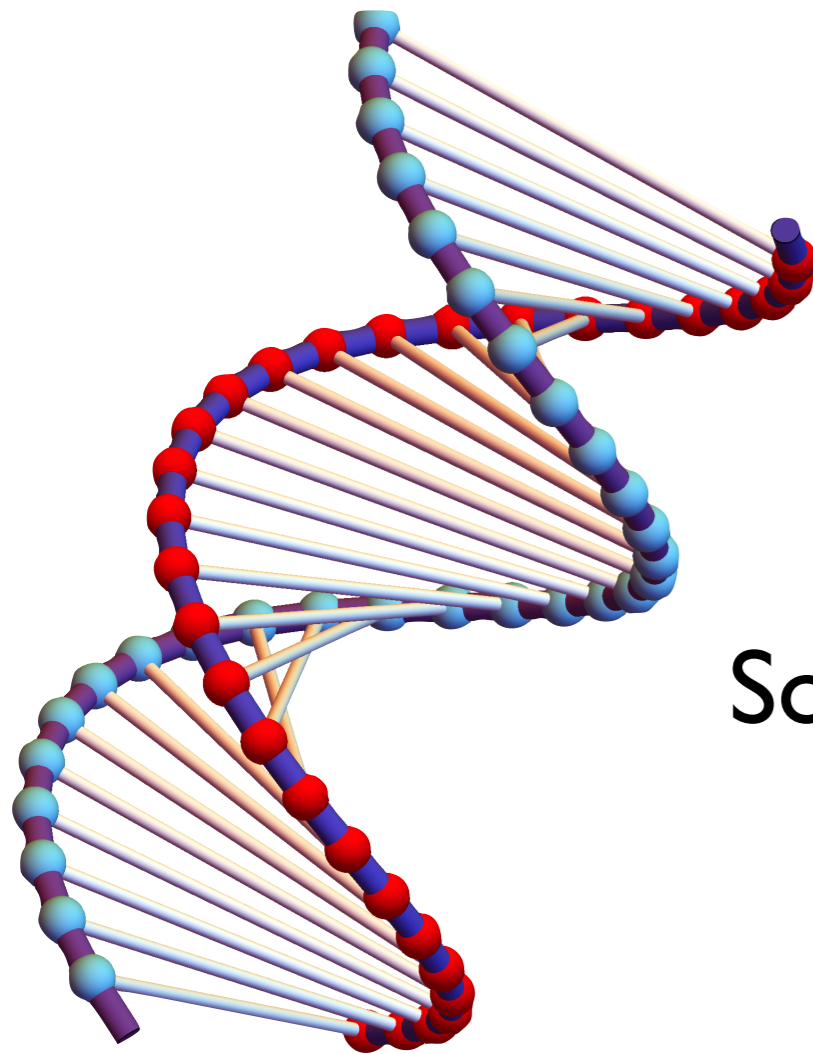
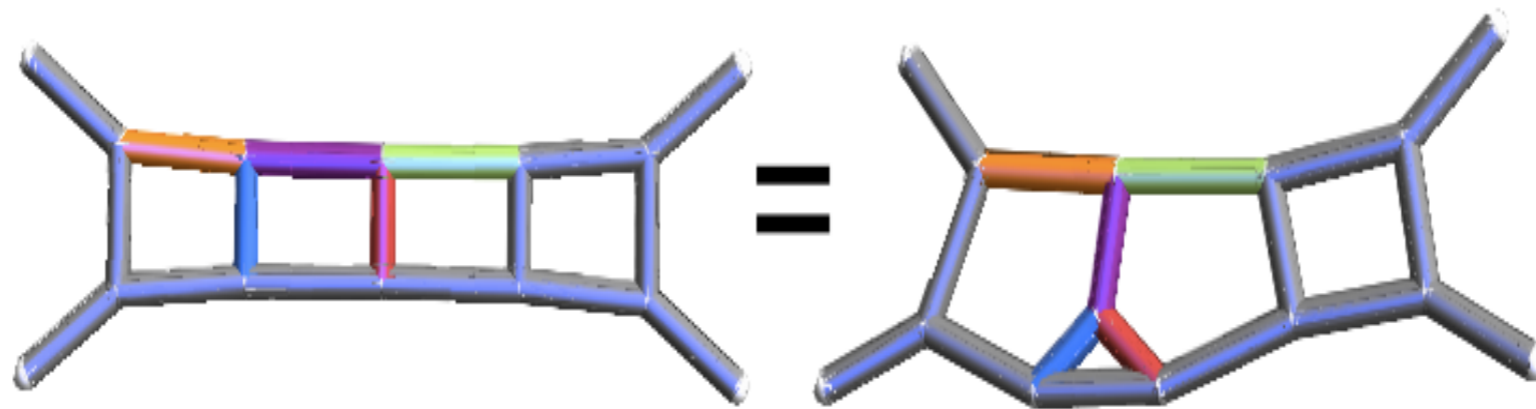


Cubic Double-Copy Solution

$$s = (k_1 + k_2)^2 \quad t = (k_1 + k_4)^2 \quad u = (k_1 + k_3)^2 \quad \tau_{i,j} = 2\kappa_i \cdot l_j$$

Integral $I^{(x)}$	$\mathcal{N} = 4$ Super-Yang-Mills ($\sqrt{\mathcal{N}} = 8$ supergravity) numerator
(a)–(d)	s^2
(e)–(g)	$(s(-\tau_{35} + \tau_{45} + t) - t(\tau_{25} + \tau_{45}) + u(\tau_{25} + \tau_{35}) - s^2)/3$
(h)	$(s(2\tau_{15} - \tau_{16} + 2\tau_{26} - \tau_{27} + 2\tau_{35} + \tau_{36} + \tau_{37} - u) + t(\tau_{16} + \tau_{26} - \tau_{37} + 2\tau_{36} - 2\tau_{15} - 2\tau_{27} - 2\tau_{35} - 3\tau_{17}) + s^2)/3$
(i)	$(s(-\tau_{25} - \tau_{26} - \tau_{35} + \tau_{36} + \tau_{45} + 2t) + t(\tau_{26} + \tau_{35} + 2\tau_{36} + 2\tau_{45} + 3\tau_{46}) + u\tau_{25} + s^2)/3$
(j)–(l)	$s(t - u)/3$

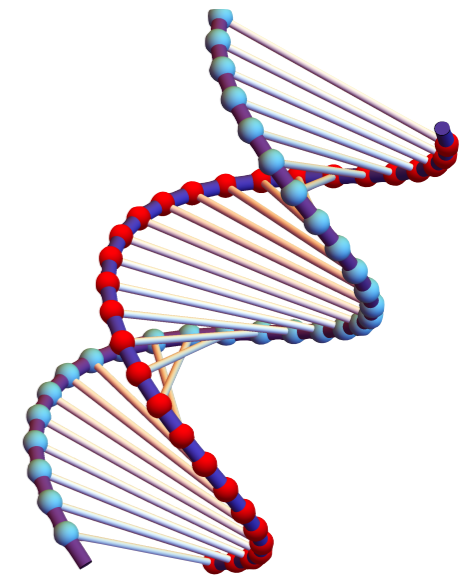
Color and Kinematics dance together.



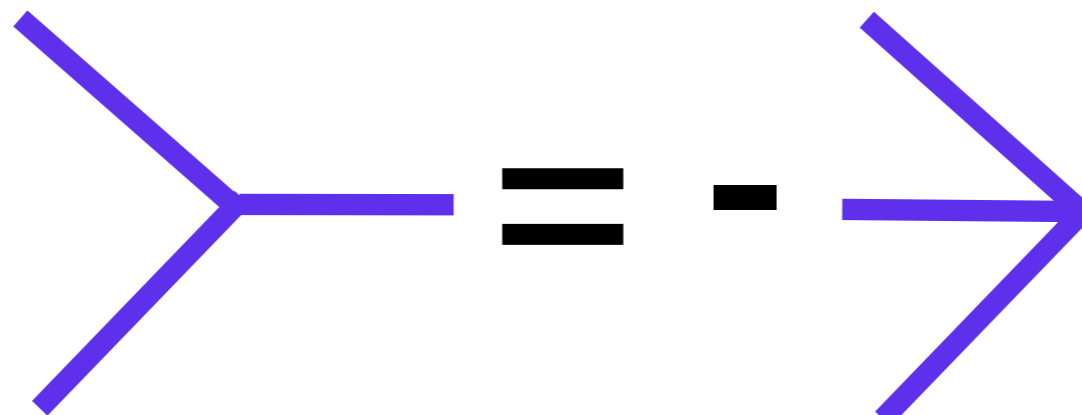
Solving Yang-Mills theories means solving Gravity theories.

Generic D-dimensional YM theories have a fascinating structure at tree-level

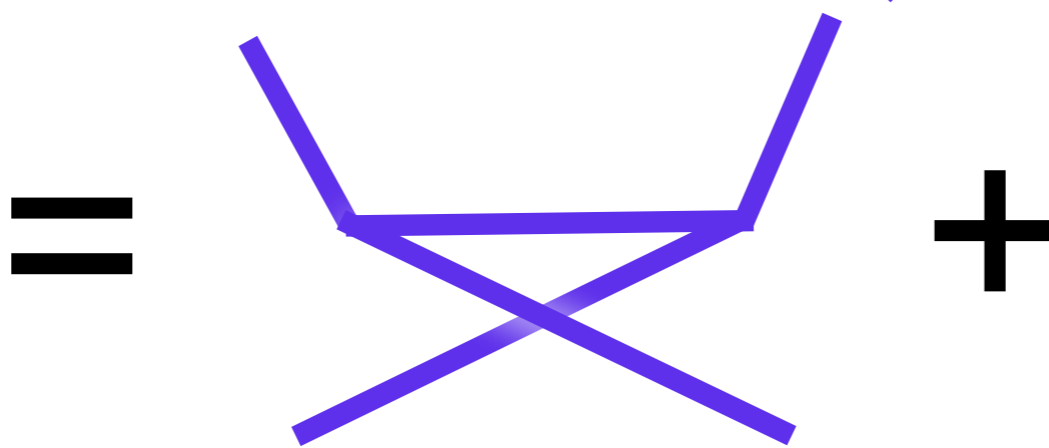
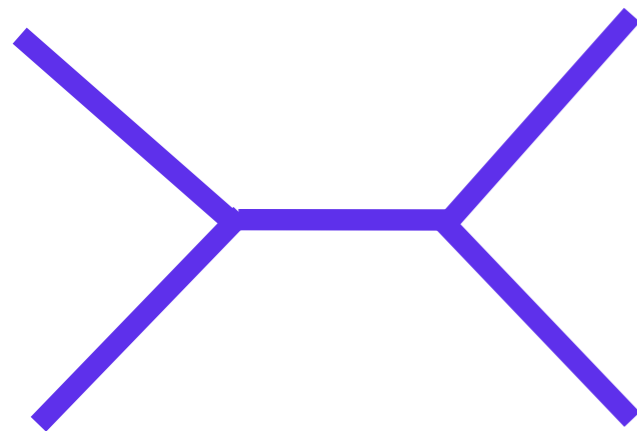
$$A_m^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \frac{c(\mathcal{G})n(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$



Color factors and numerator factors satisfy similar lie algebra properties



Vertex Antisymmetry



Jacobi

Color-Kinematic Duality!

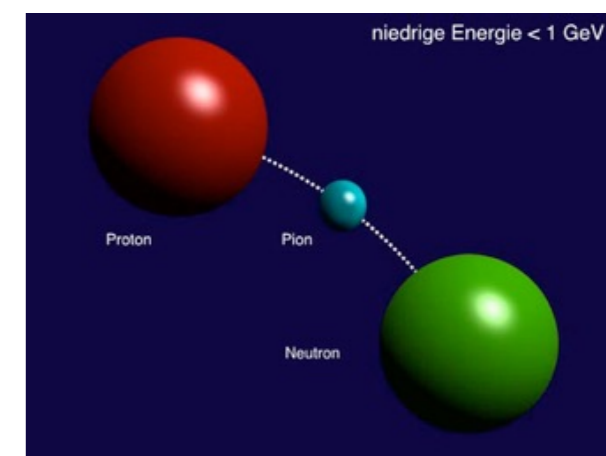
Tree level example that doesn't hurt the eyes...

Non-Linear sigma model...

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NLSM}} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left\{ \partial_{\mu} \varphi \frac{1}{1 - \varphi^2} \partial^{\mu} \varphi \frac{1}{1 - \varphi^2} \right\}$$

(Cayley Parameterization)

Leading $O(p^2)$ contribution to Chiral Lagrangian



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CHIRAL PERTURBATION THEORY TO ONE LOOP *)

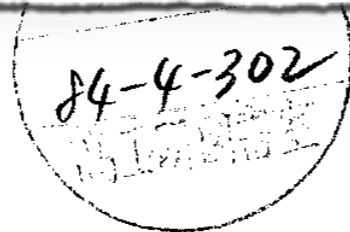
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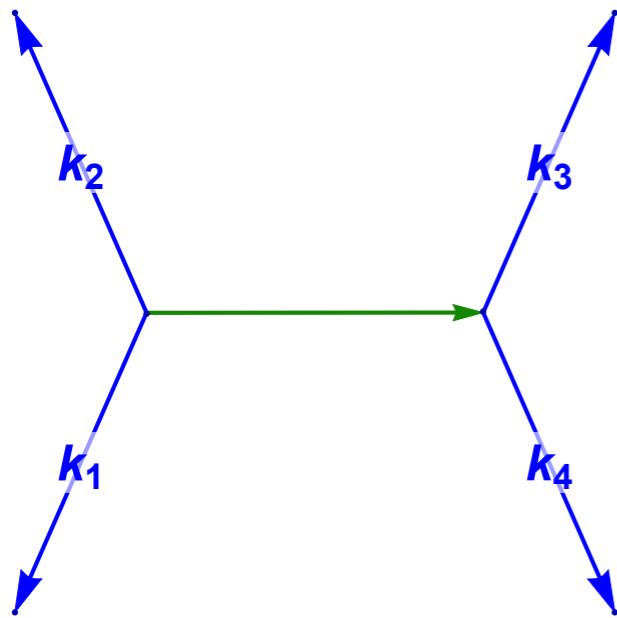
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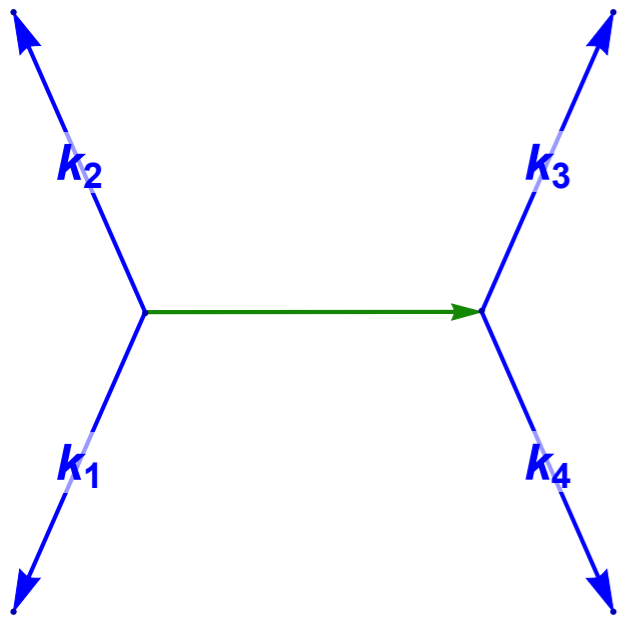


For **SU(2)** $f^{abc} \propto \epsilon^{abc}$

$$C_S = f^{a_1 a_2 b} f^{b a_3 a_4} \propto \delta^{a_1, a_3} \delta^{a_2, a_4} - \delta^{a_1, a_4} \delta^{a_2, a_3}$$

$$n_S \propto (k_{(1,2)}^2 + k_{(3,4)}^2) \times (k_{[1,2]} \cdot k_{[3,4]})$$

$$k_{(ab)} = k_a + k_b \quad k_{[ab]} = k_a - k_b$$

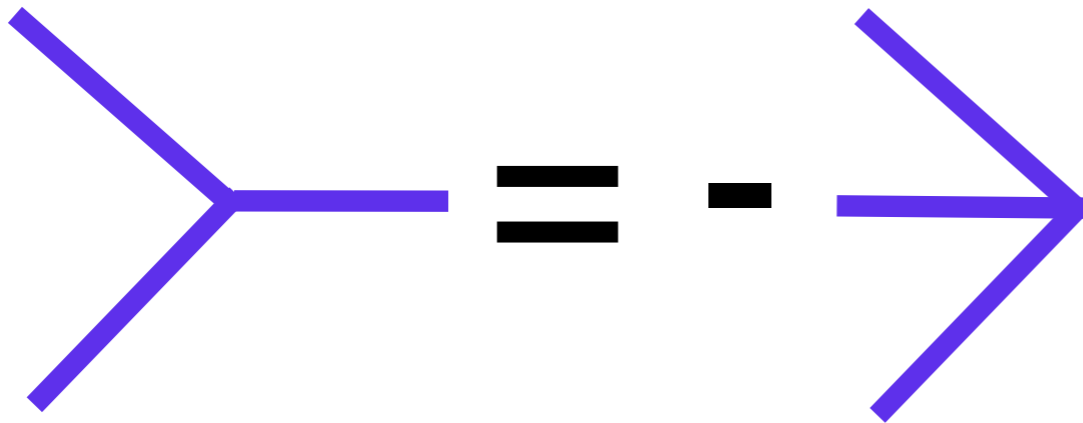


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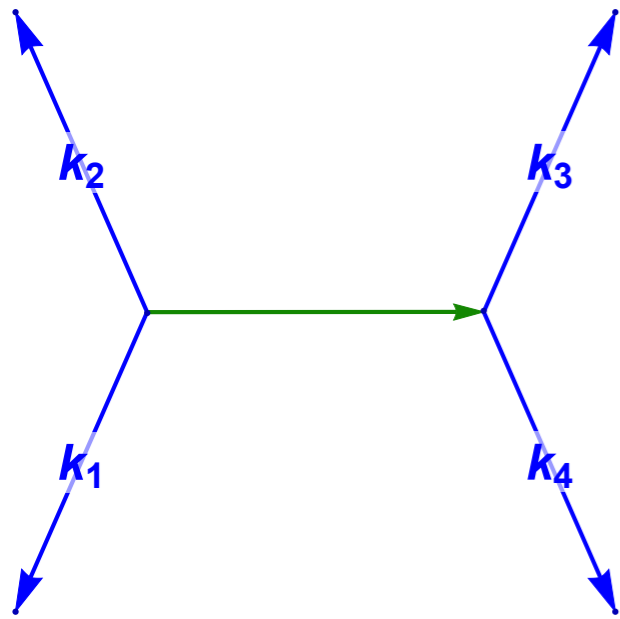
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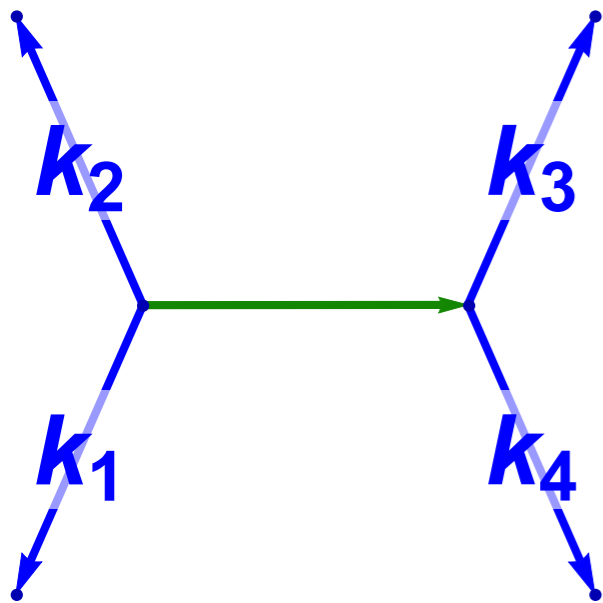
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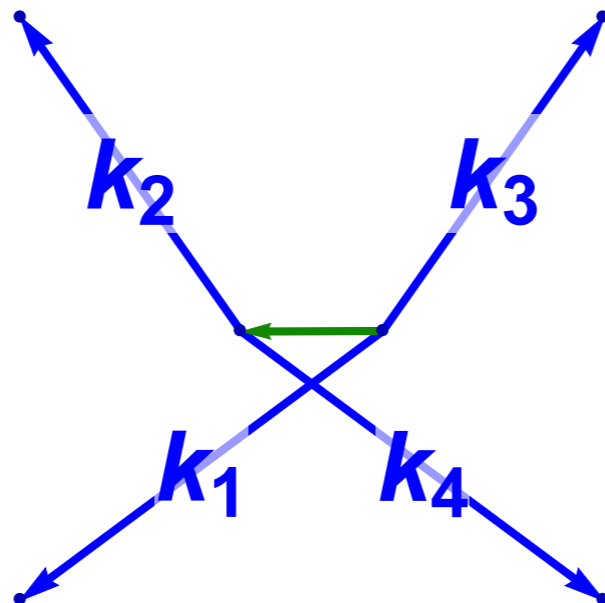
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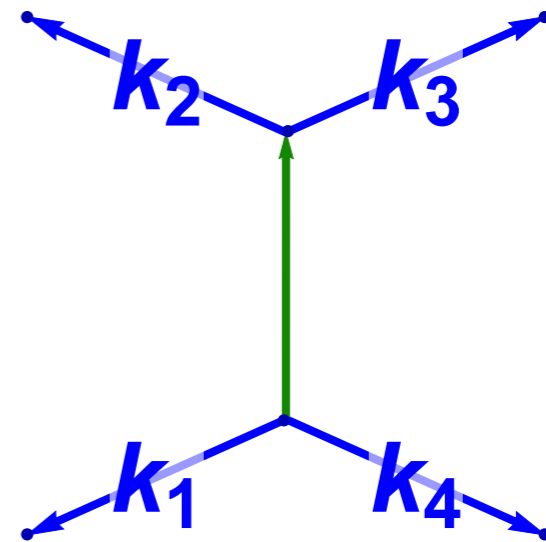
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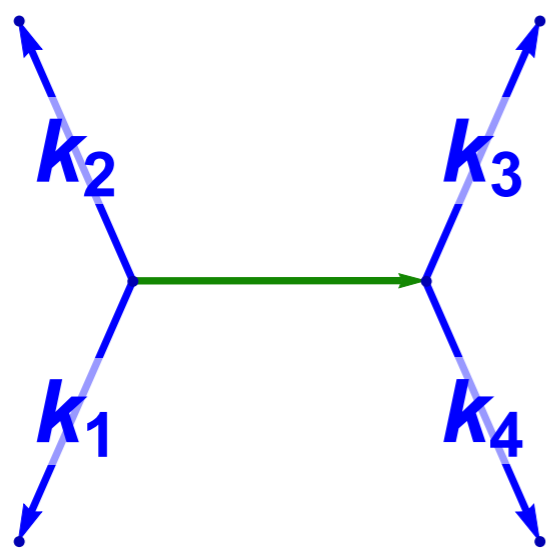
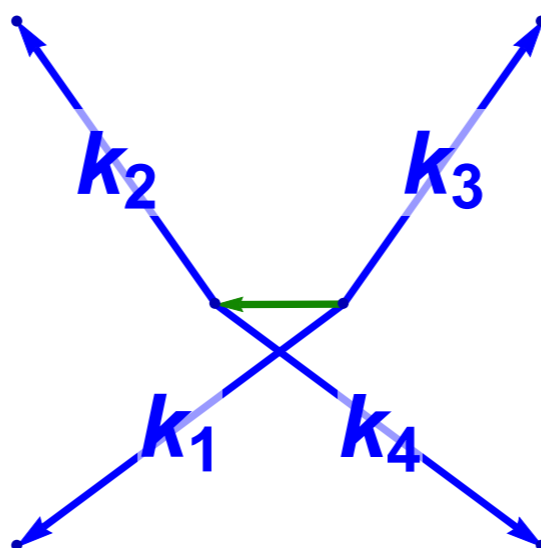
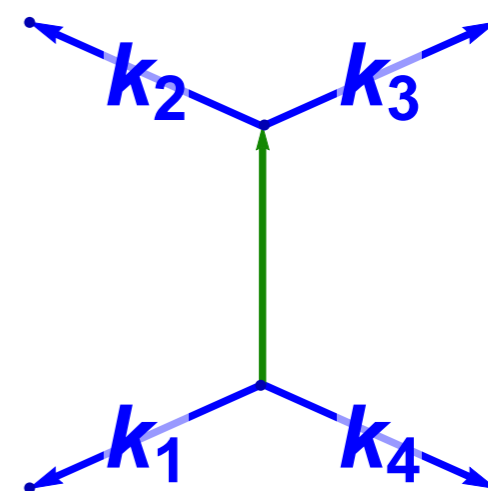
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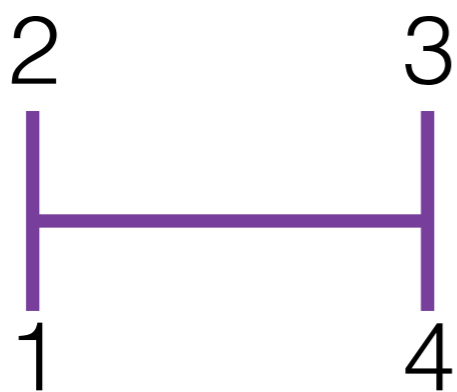
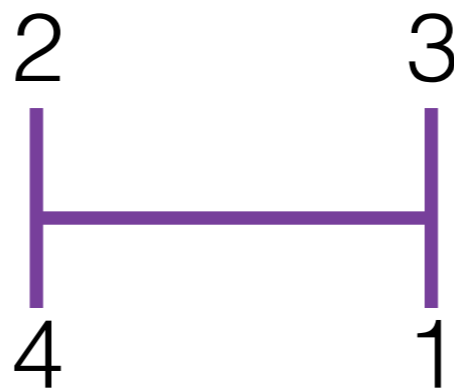
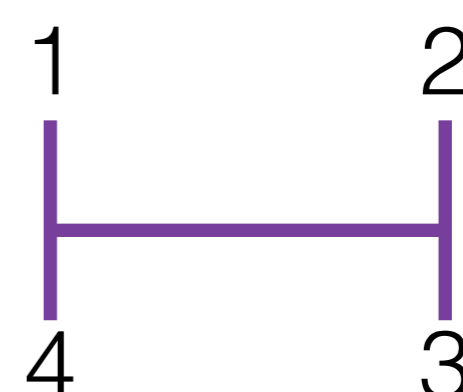
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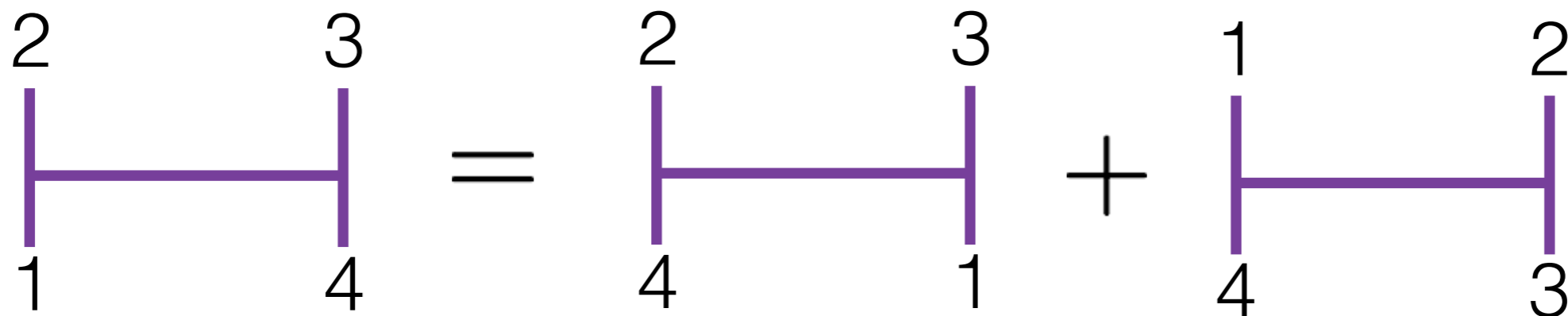
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n_u

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$$0 \stackrel{?}{=} n_s - n_u - n_t$$

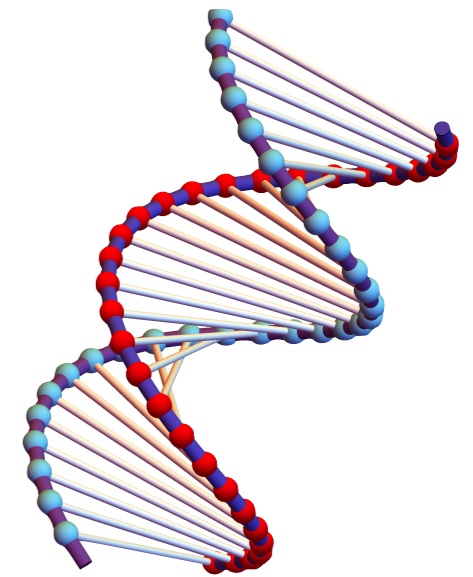
$$\propto n_s - n_s|_{s \leftrightarrow u} - n_s|_{s \leftrightarrow t}$$

$$\propto s(u - t) - u(s - t) - t(u - s)$$

$$\propto su - st - us + ut - tu + ts = 0$$

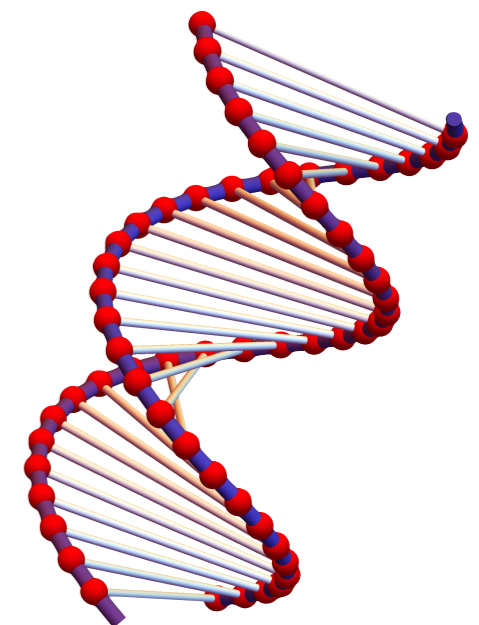
Generic D-dimensional YM theories have a fascinating structure at tree-level

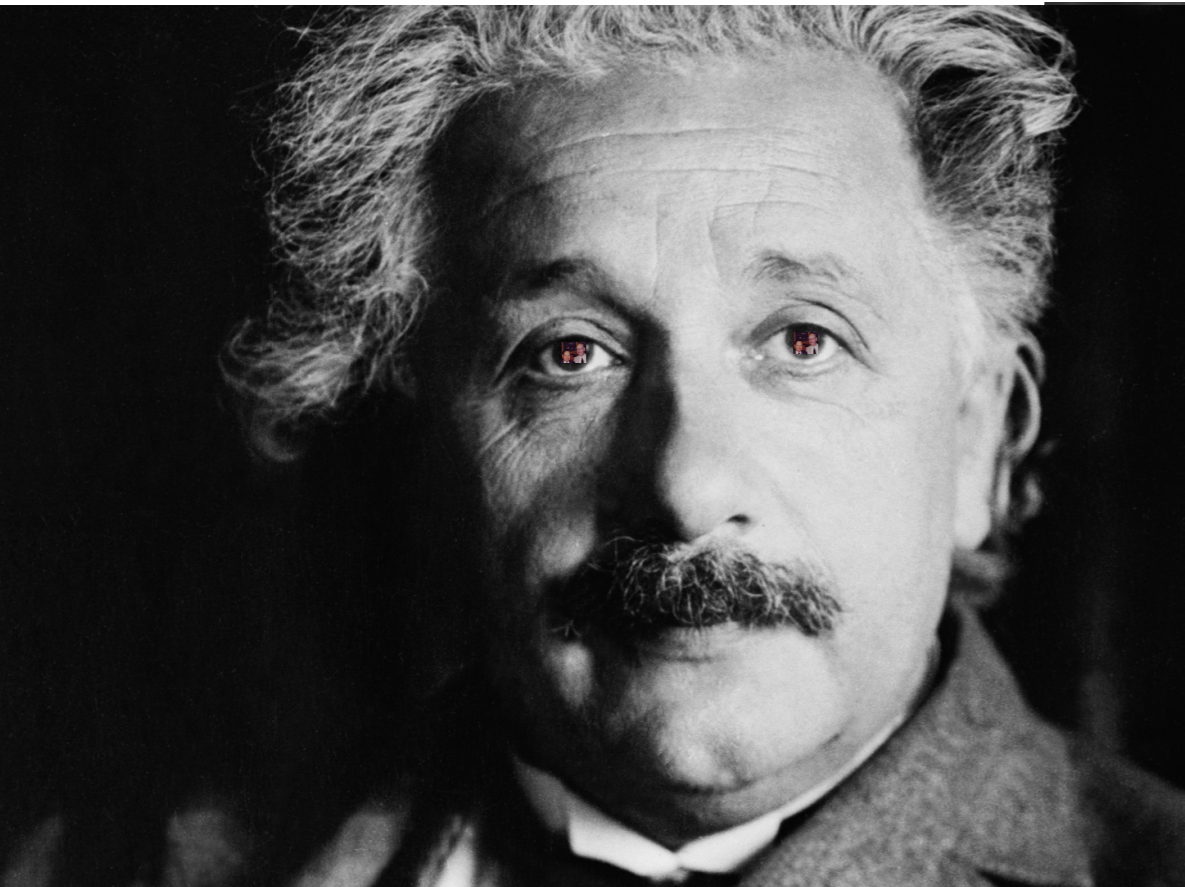
$$A_m^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \frac{c(\mathcal{G})n(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$



YM: Color-Kinematic Duality, makes manifest gravitational double copy structure:

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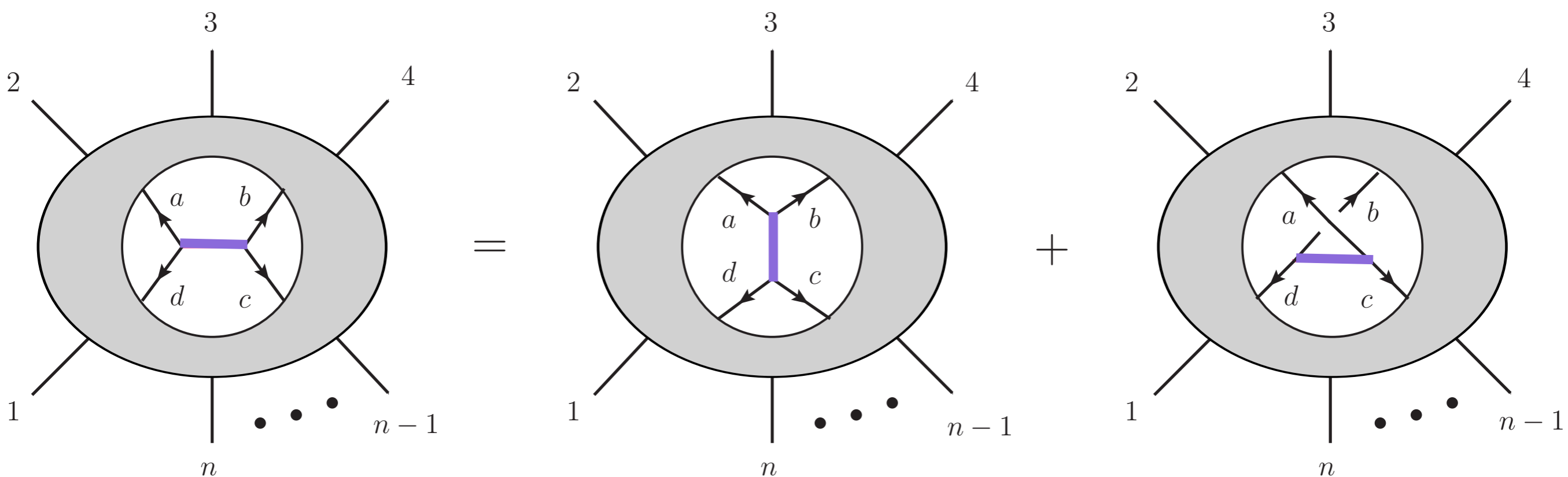
$$GR = YM^2$$



Valid multi-loop generalization?

$$\frac{(-i)^L}{g^{n-2+2L}} \mathcal{A}^{\text{loop}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \int \prod_{l=1}^L \frac{d^D p_l}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{1}{S(\mathcal{G})} \frac{n(\mathcal{G})c(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$

CONJECTURE: for all graphs, can impose CK on every edge:



Consequence of unitarity: double copy structure holds.

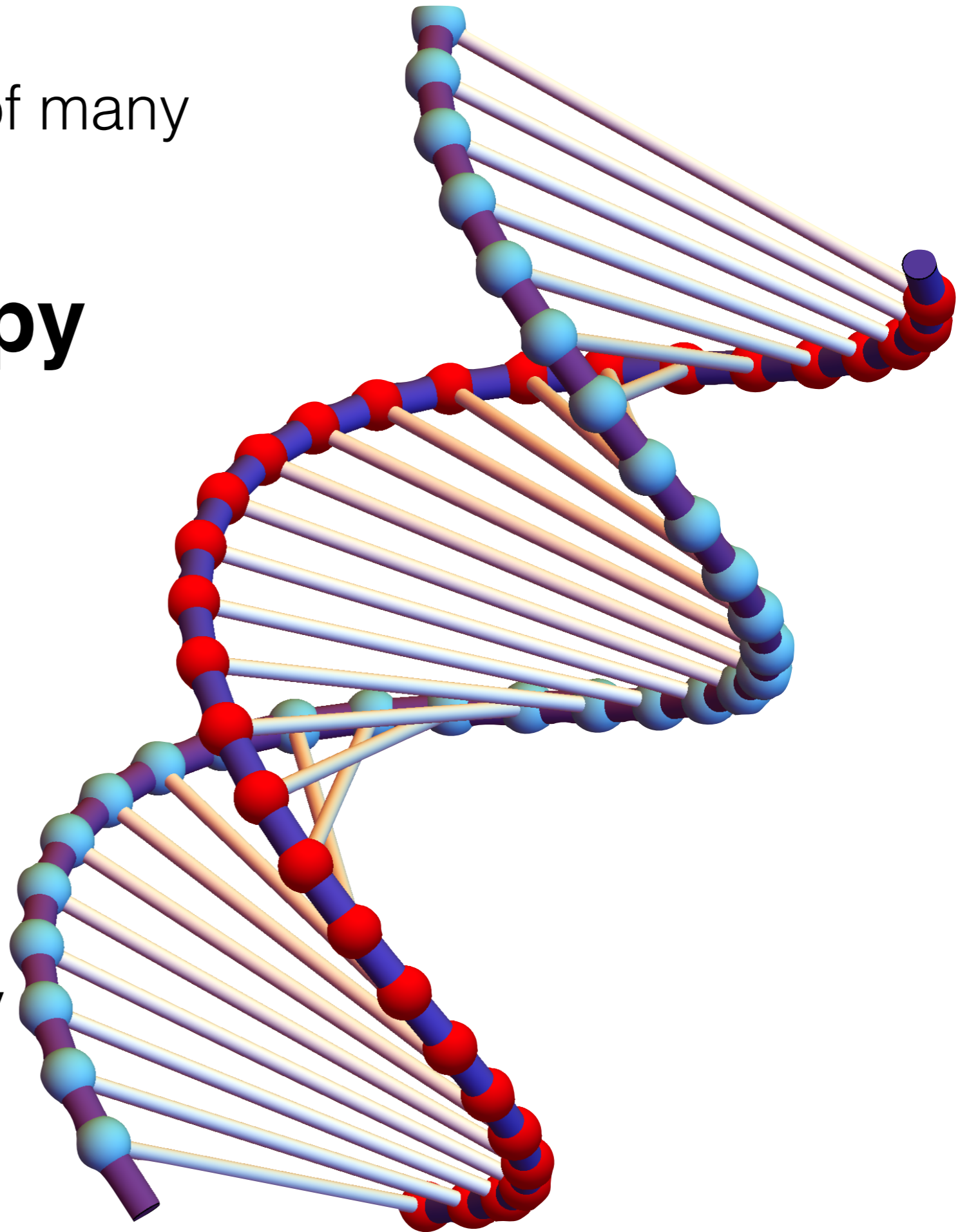
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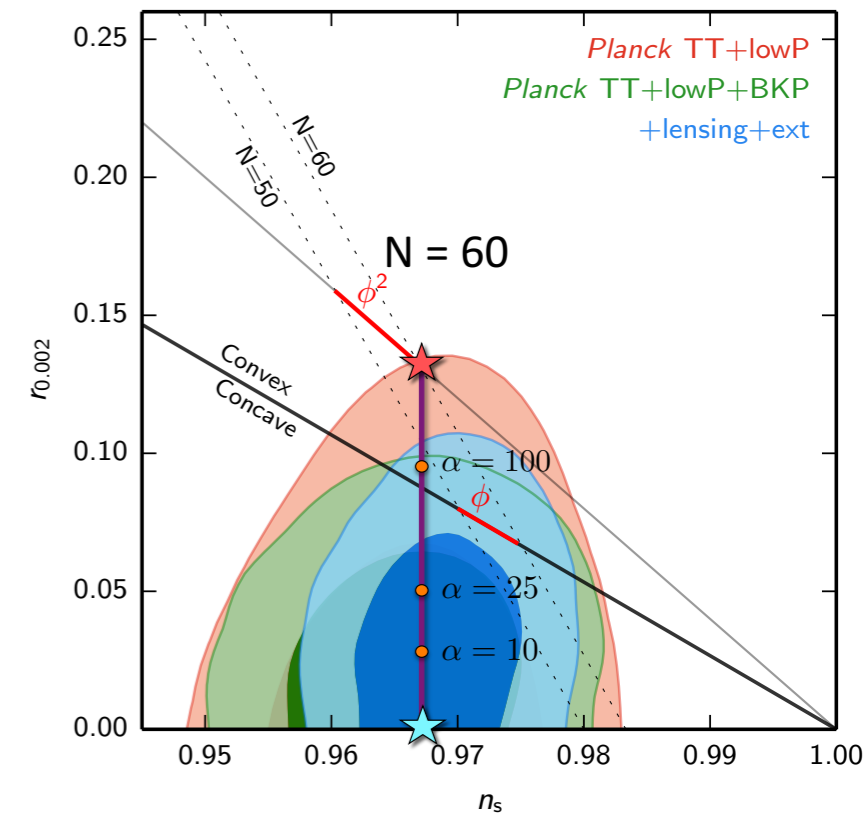
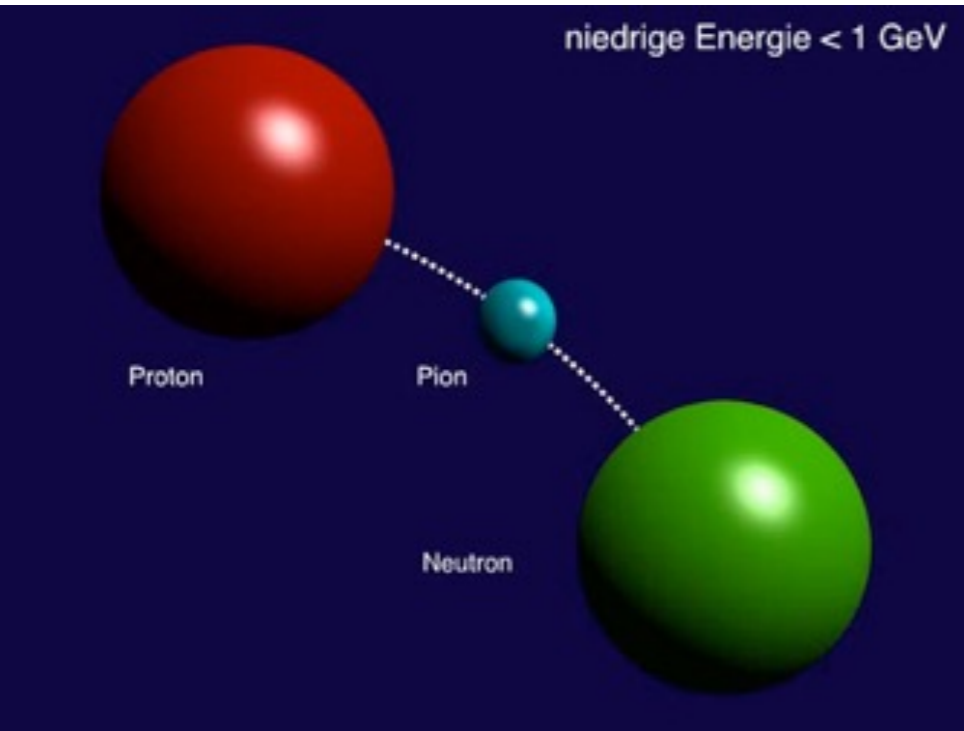
The scattering amplitudes of many relativistic theories admit a:

Double-copy **N**umerator **A**lgebra

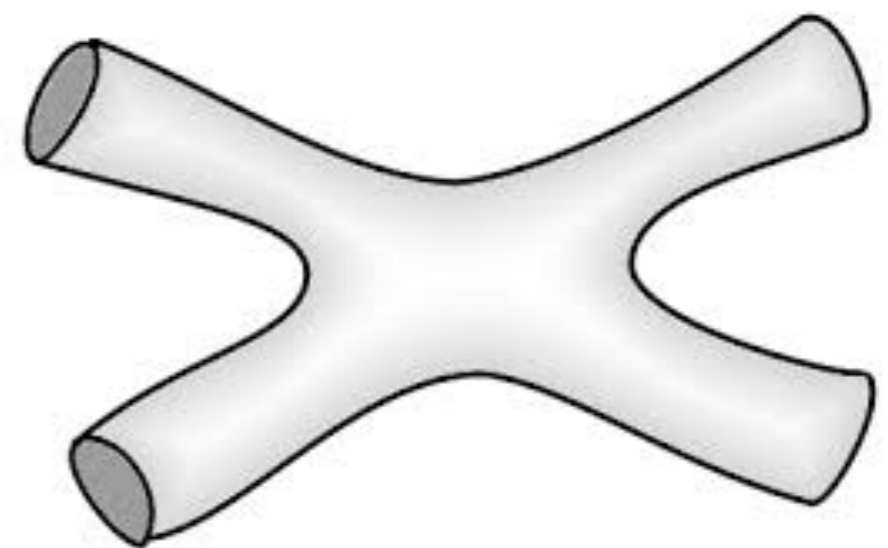
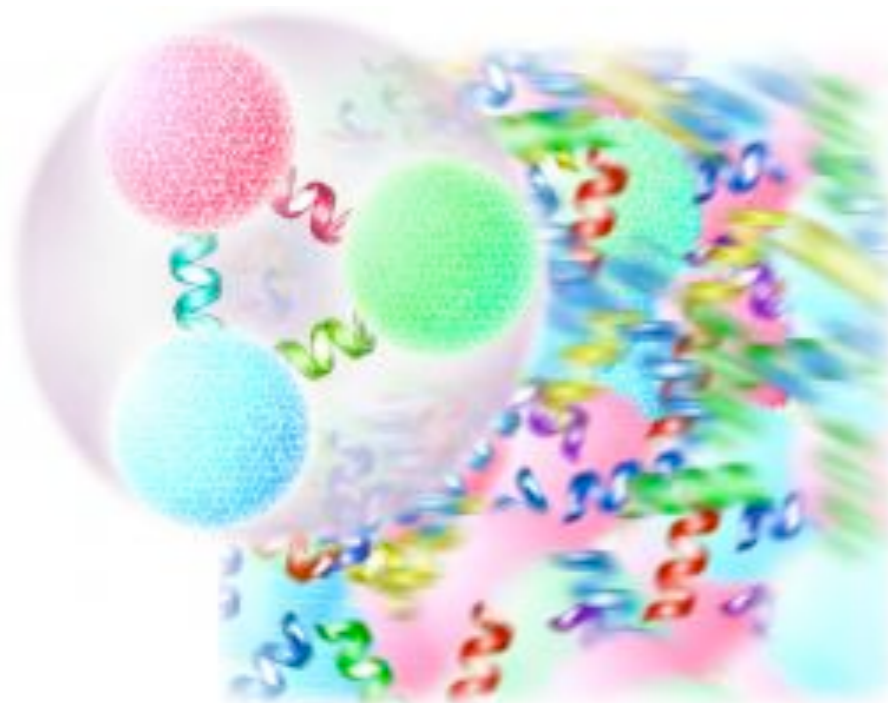
This points to previously hidden structure in many theories.

Structure yet to be generally understood at the level of the action.





Many theories are double copy!




Key Point: **MANY Theories are Double Copies**

Bi-Adjoint Scalar:

color  color

Bern, de Freitas, Wong ('99); Bern, Dennen, Huang; Du, Feng, Fu; Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Monteiro, O'Connell

(S)YM (...(S)QCD...):

color  spin-1


BCJ ('08) Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Vanhove; Steiberger; Feng et al; Mafra, Schlotterer, ('08-'11); Johansson, Ochirov

(S)Gr (...(S)Einstein-YM...):

spin-1  spin-1

KLT('86); BCJ ('08); Chiodaroli, Gunaydin, Johansson, Roiban; Johansson, Ochirov; Johansson, Kälin, Mogull

(S) Conformal Gravity:

$(DF)^2$  spin-1


Johansson, Mogull, Teng '17,'18; Azevedo, Engelund '17

NLSM / Chiral Lagrangian:

“color”  even-spin-0

Chen, Du '13 Cachazo, He, Yuan '14 Cheung, Shen '16

(S)Born-Infeld:

spin-1  even-spin-0

Cachazo, He, Yuan '14

Special Galileon:

even-spin-0  even-spin-0

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Open String:

α'  spin-1


Broedel, Schlotterer, Stieberger

Closed String:

spin-1  α' corrected spin-1

Broedel, Schlotterer, Stieberger;

Z-theory:

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Broedel, Schlotterer, Stieberger; JJMC, Mafra, Schlotterer

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spin 0, 1/2, 1

For all these theories:

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(...(S) QCD...)

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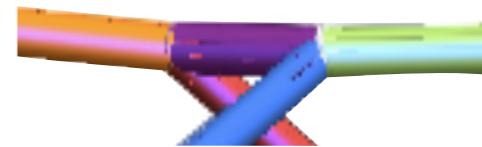
Closed String

a geometric guide to color-kinematics

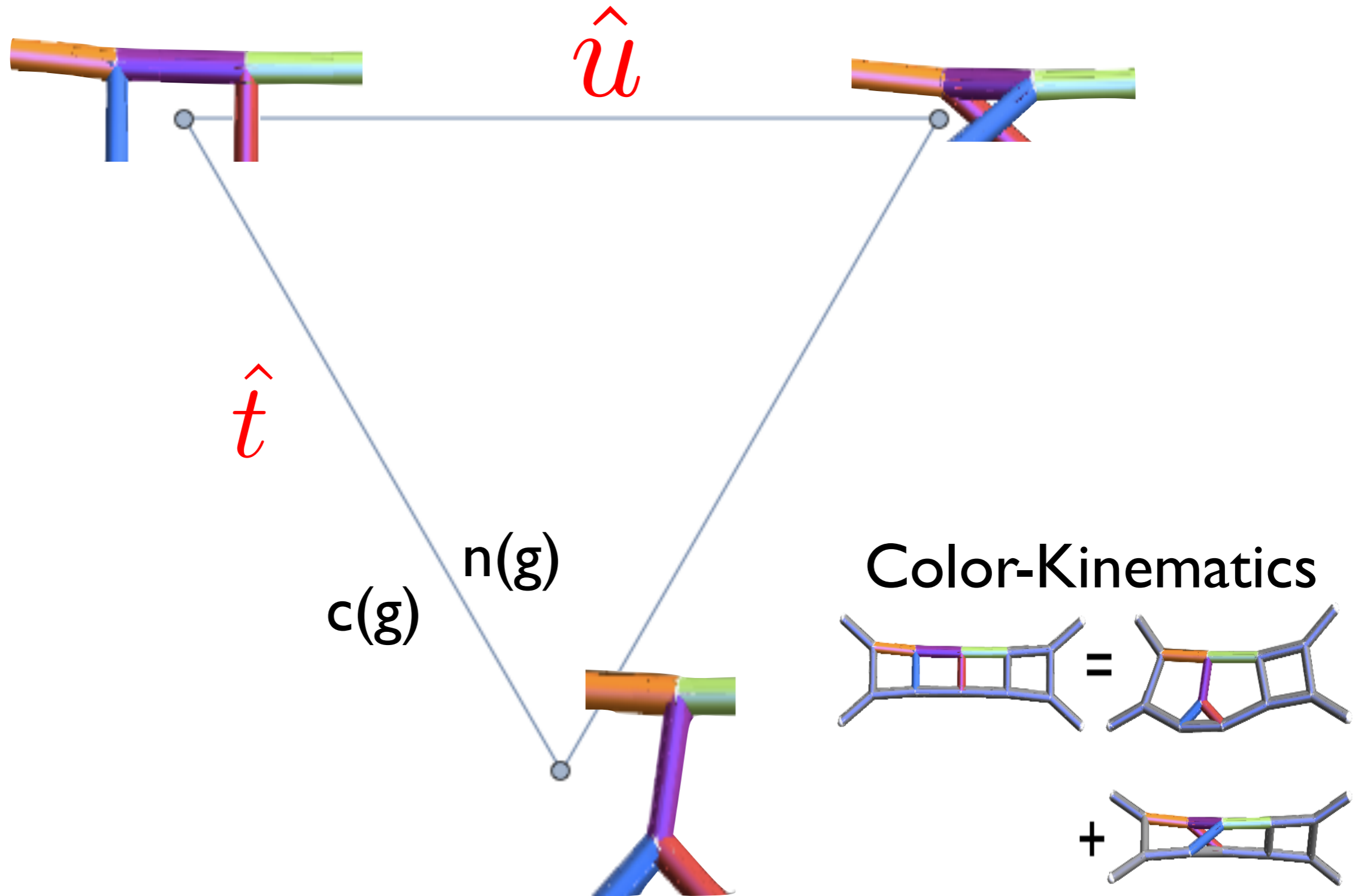
Physics = Geometry

(the best polytopes are graphs of graphs!)

Cubic graphs contributing to 4-pt Tree



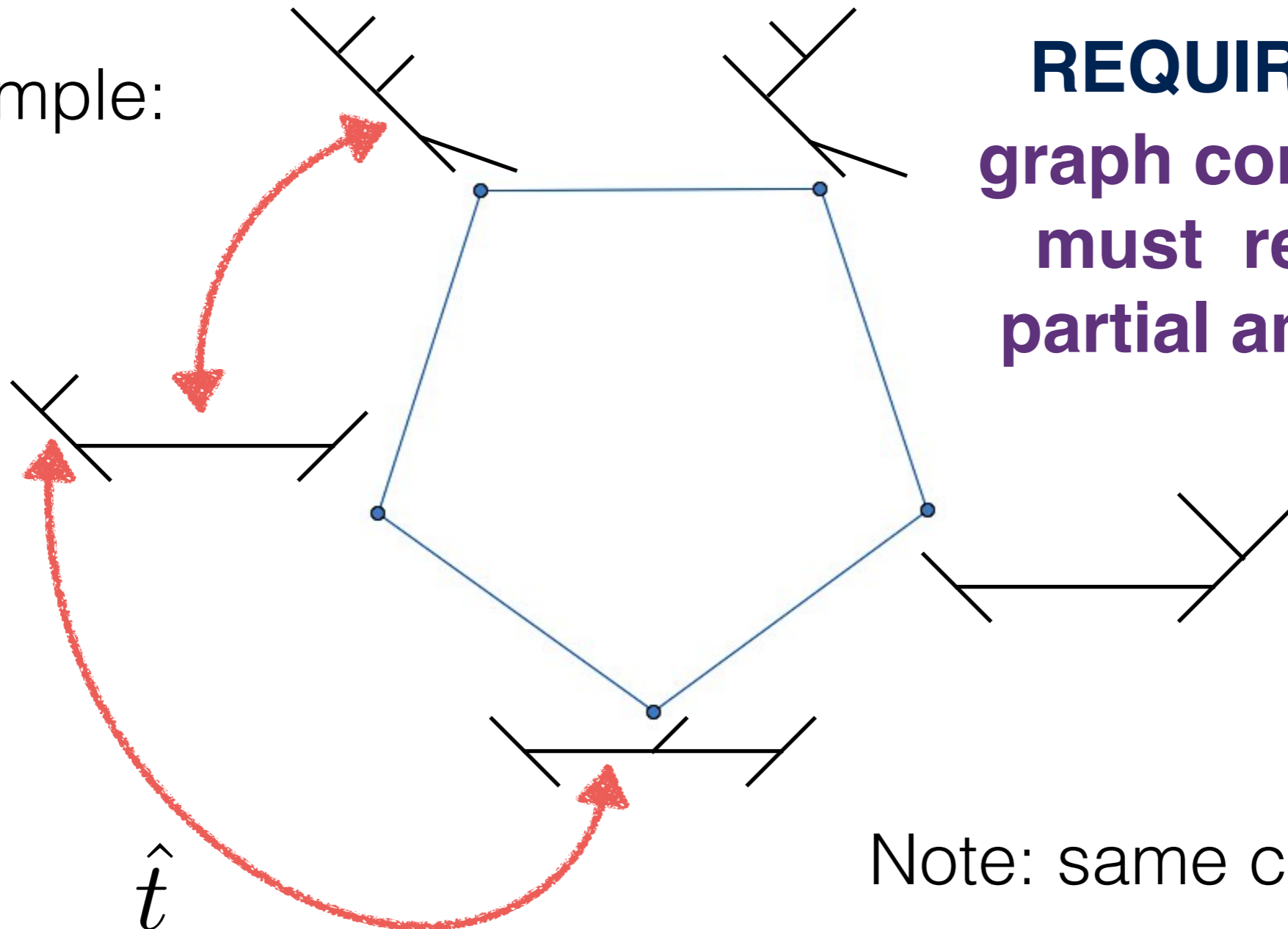
Convenient language: graphs of graphs



Theory specific input: Partial amplitudes

Graphs contributing to a tree-level **color-stripped YM partial amplitude**, generate the 1-skeleton of **Stasheff polytopes** joined only by \hat{t}

5pt example:

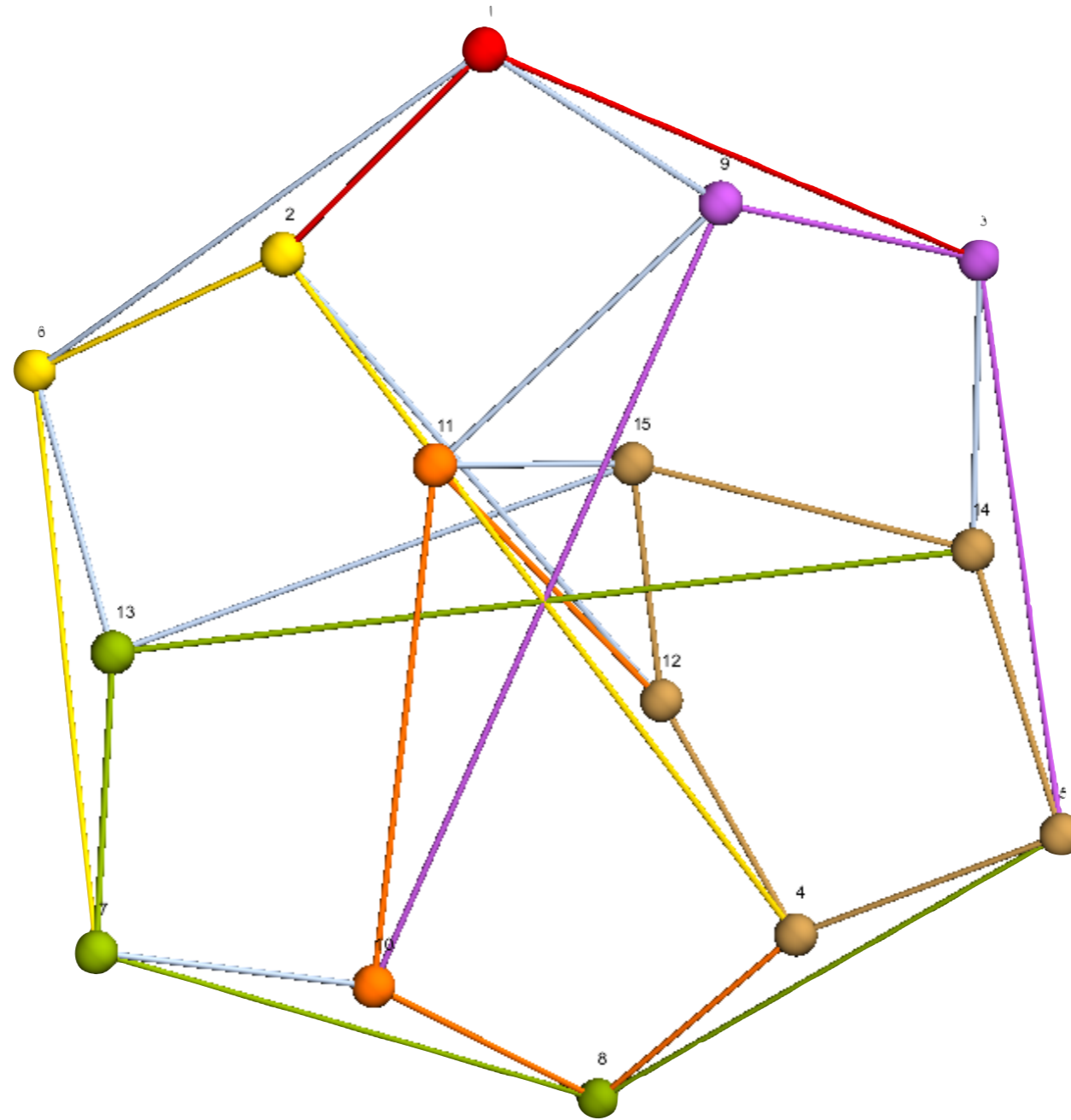


REQUIREMENT
graph contributions
must reproduce
partial amplitudes.

Note: same color-order!

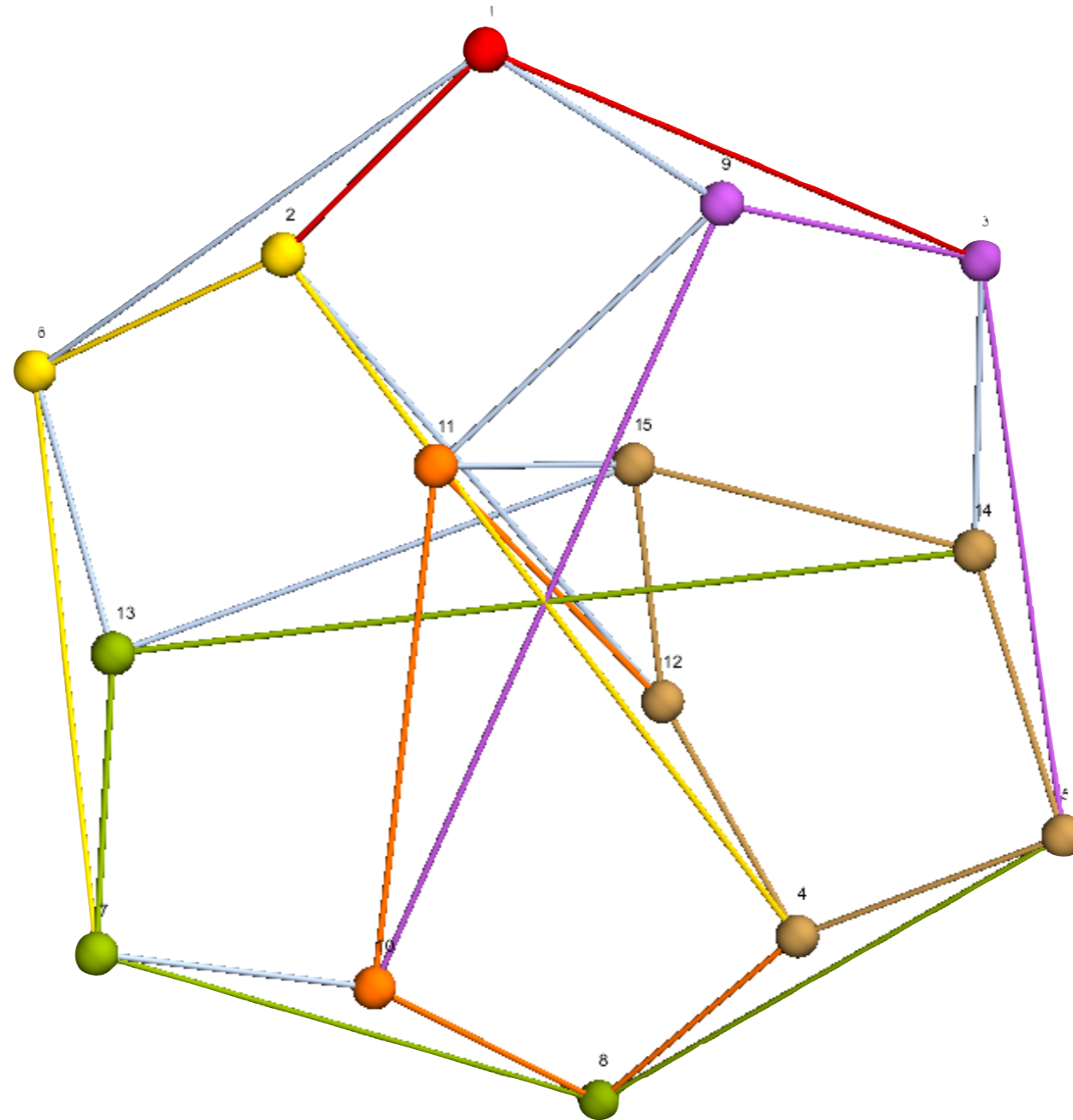
(these polytopes are also called **associahedra**)

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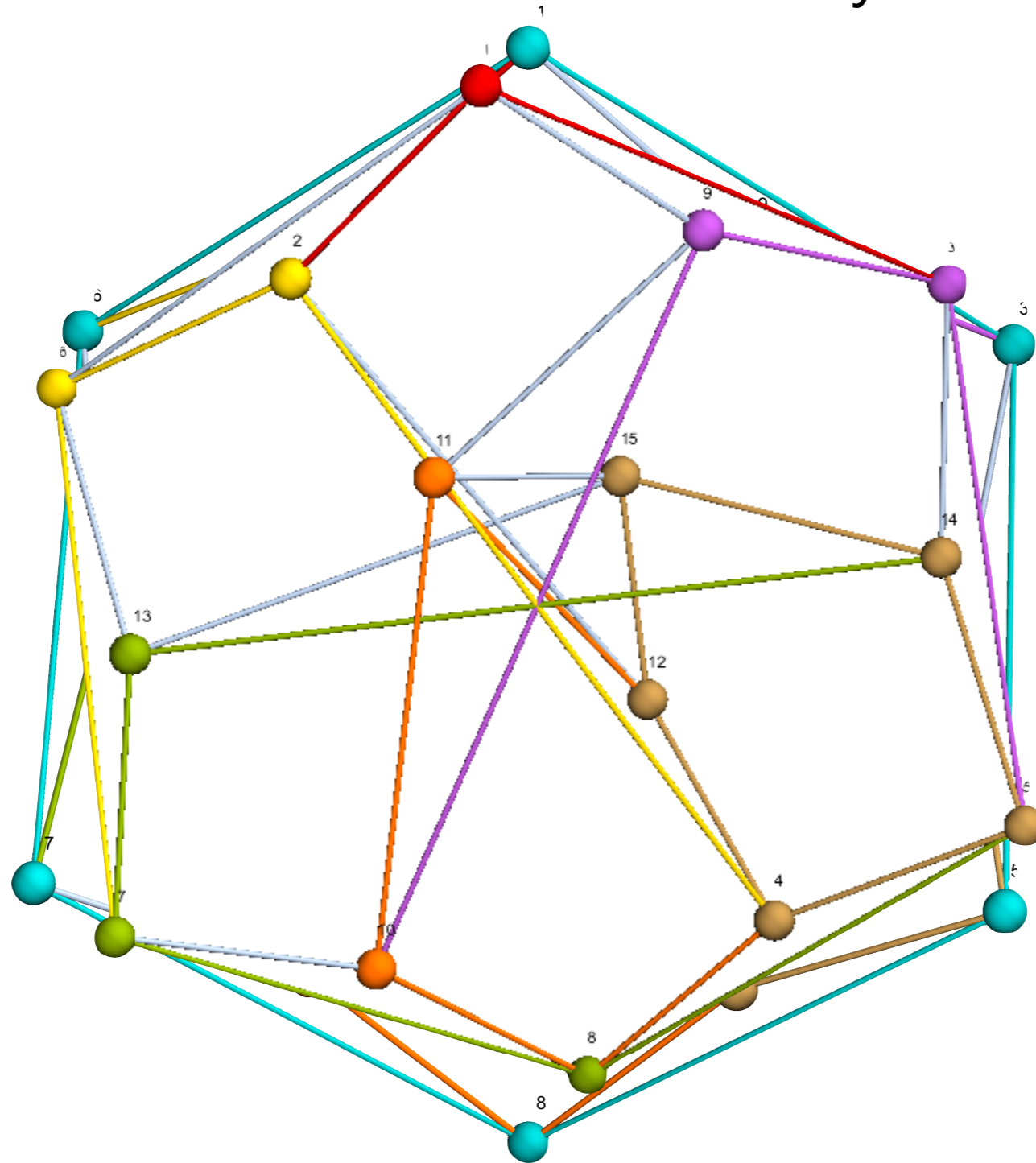
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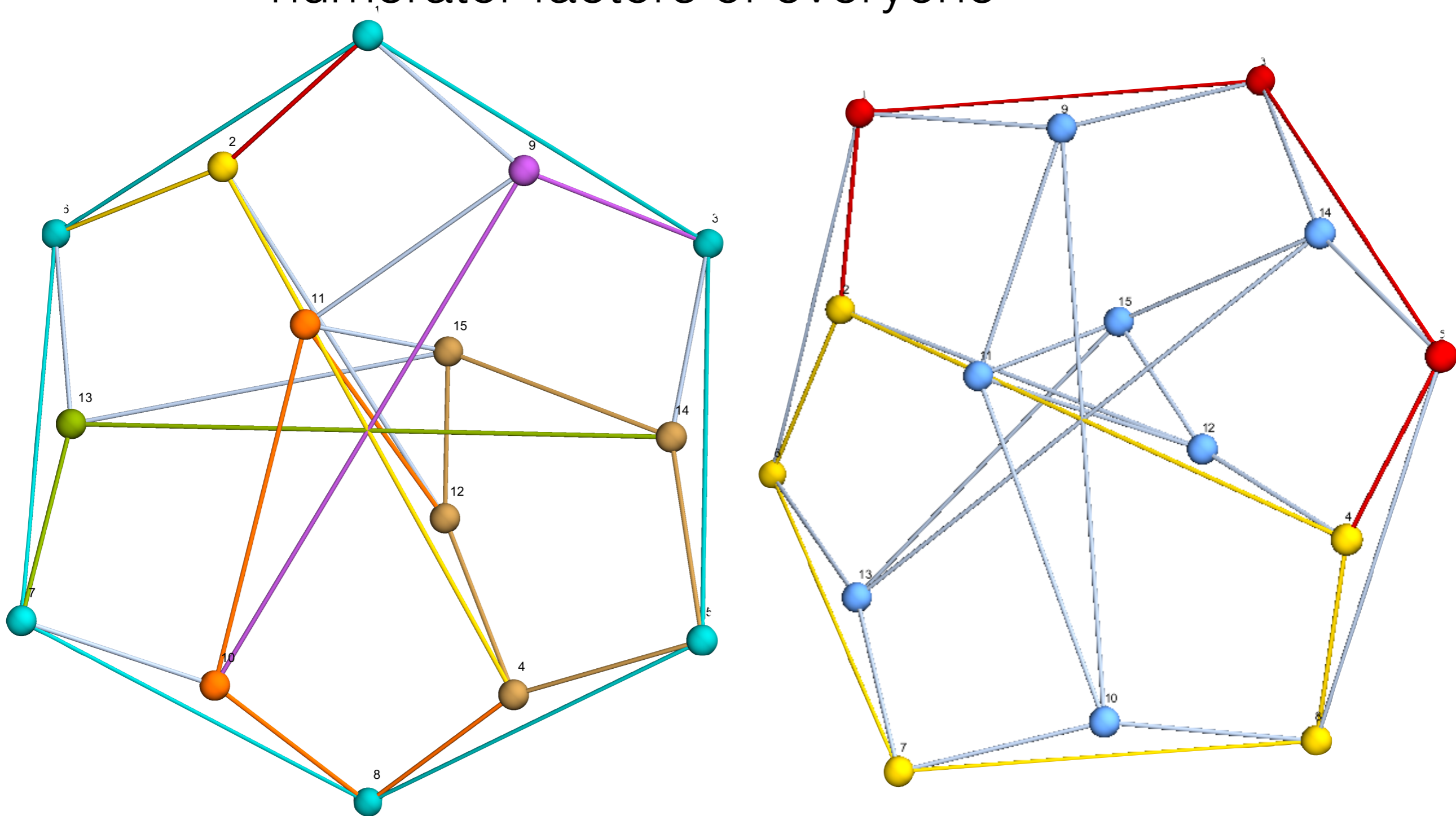


In fact, such a choice is the KK-basis, proven sufficient by Del Duca, Dixon, and Maltoni

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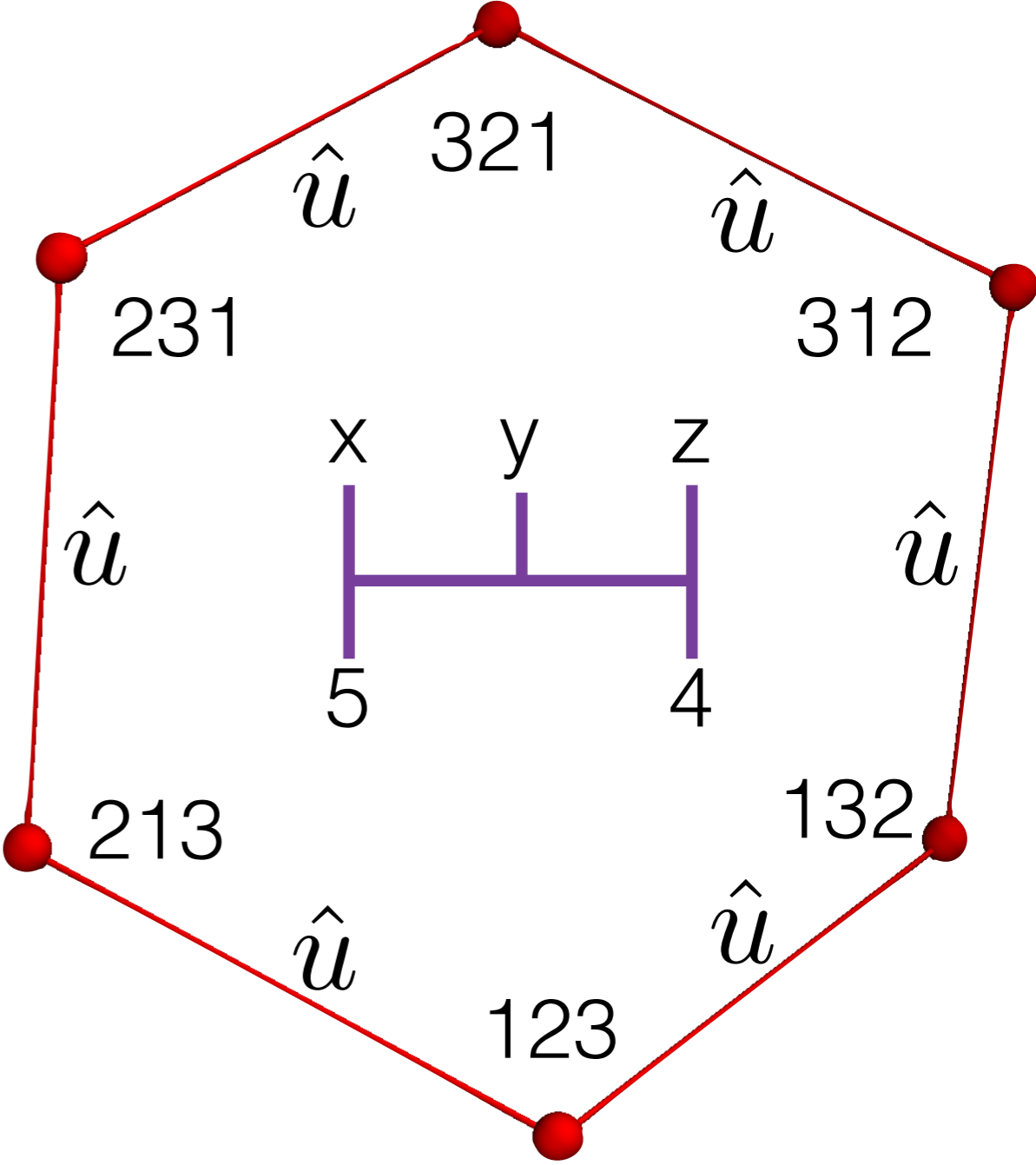
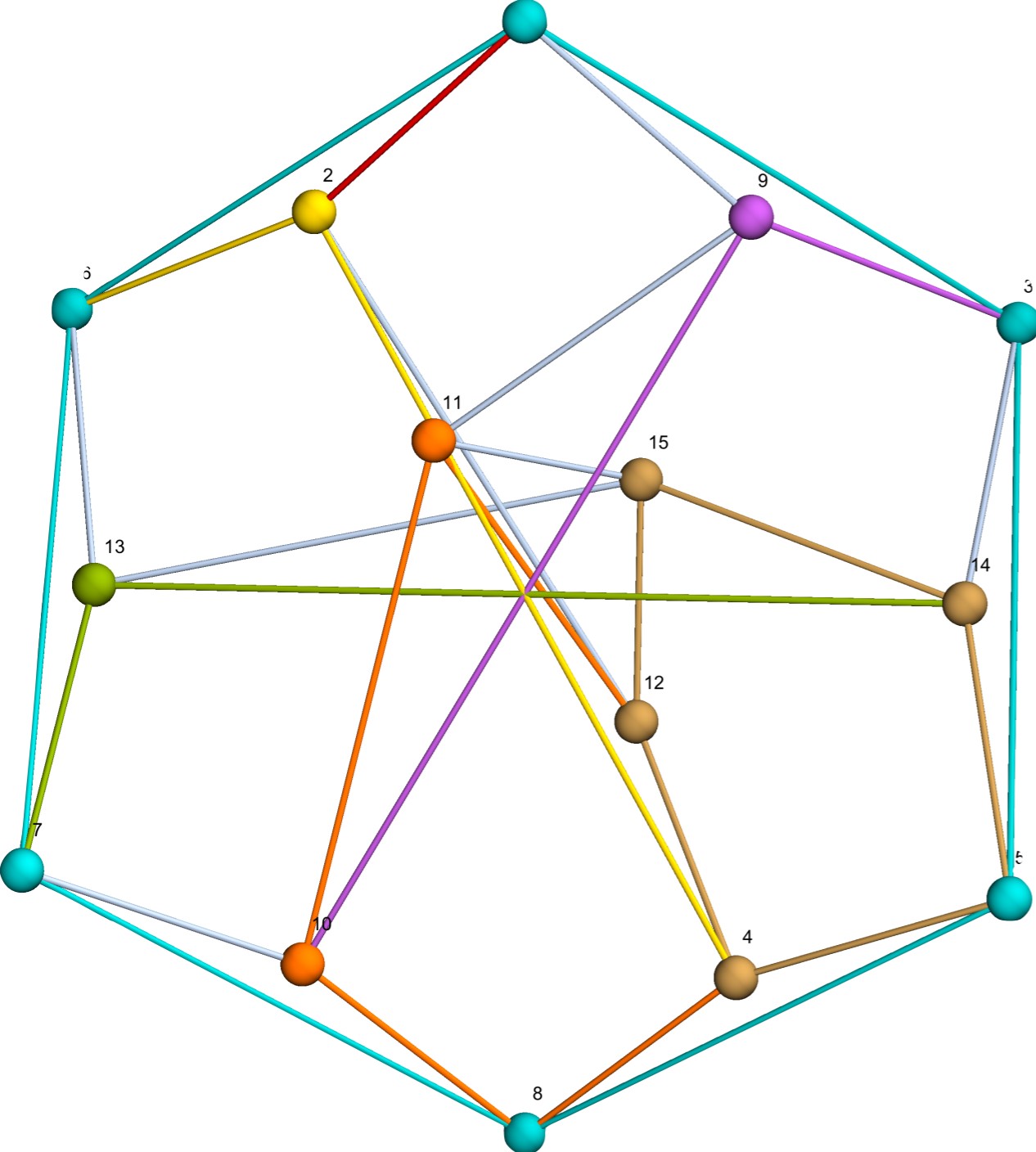


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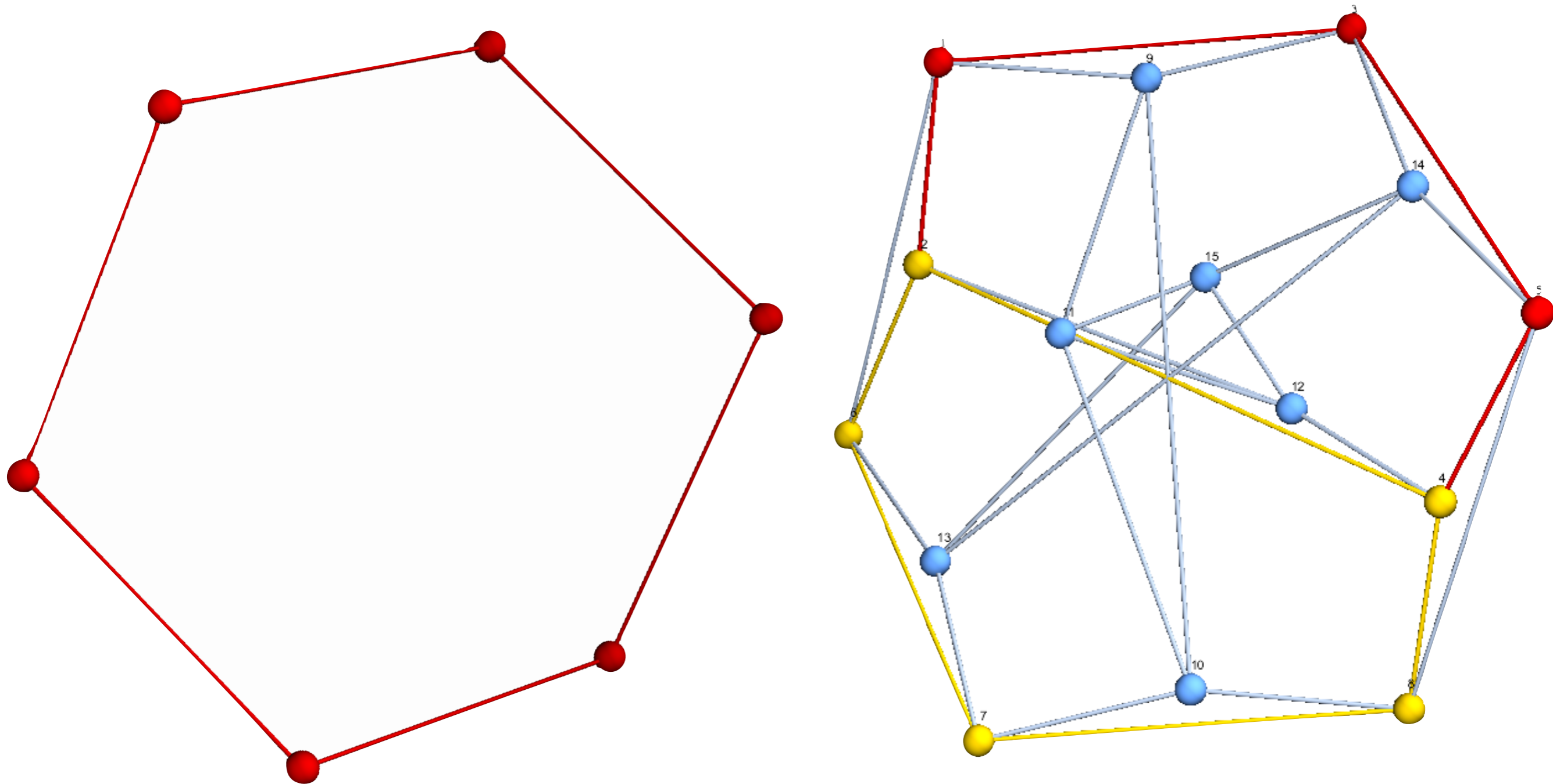
This reduces the set of necessary ordered partial amplitudes (associahedra) to $(m-3)!$: “BCJ” relations

At every multiplicity the **masters** can be chosen to form the 1-skeleton of a polytope related by \hat{u} on every internal edge of the relevant scattering graphs



(these polytopes are called **permutahedra**)

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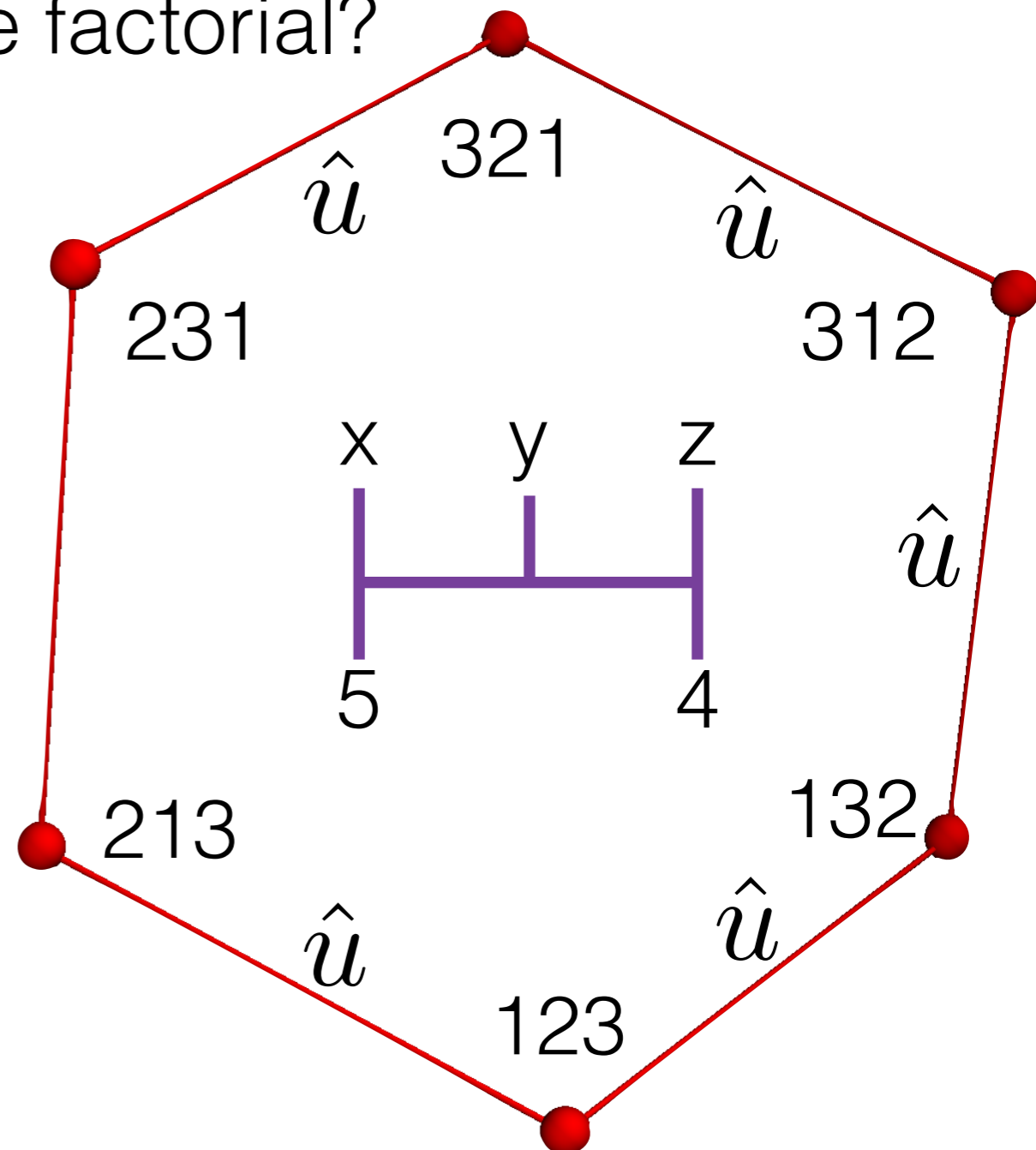
(generalized gauge freedom)

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But what about beating down the factorial?

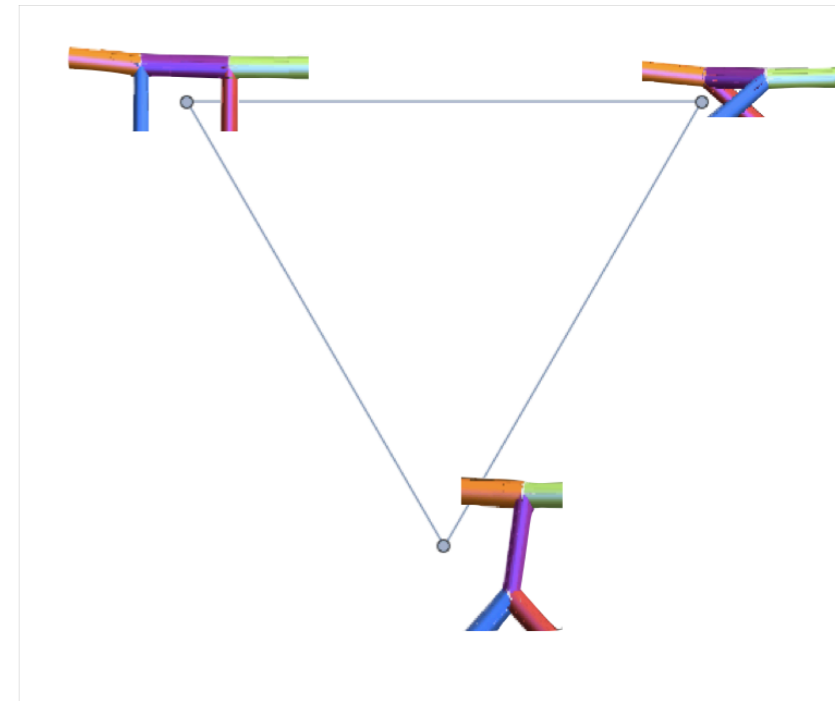
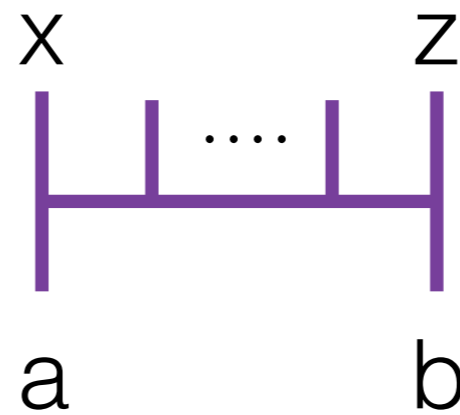
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Recall our automorphic invariant Jacobi satisfying dressing for NLSM: $n_s \propto s \times (u - t)$

This is not the only dressing. Can instead solve:

$$A(s, t) = \frac{n_s}{s} + \frac{n_t}{t}$$

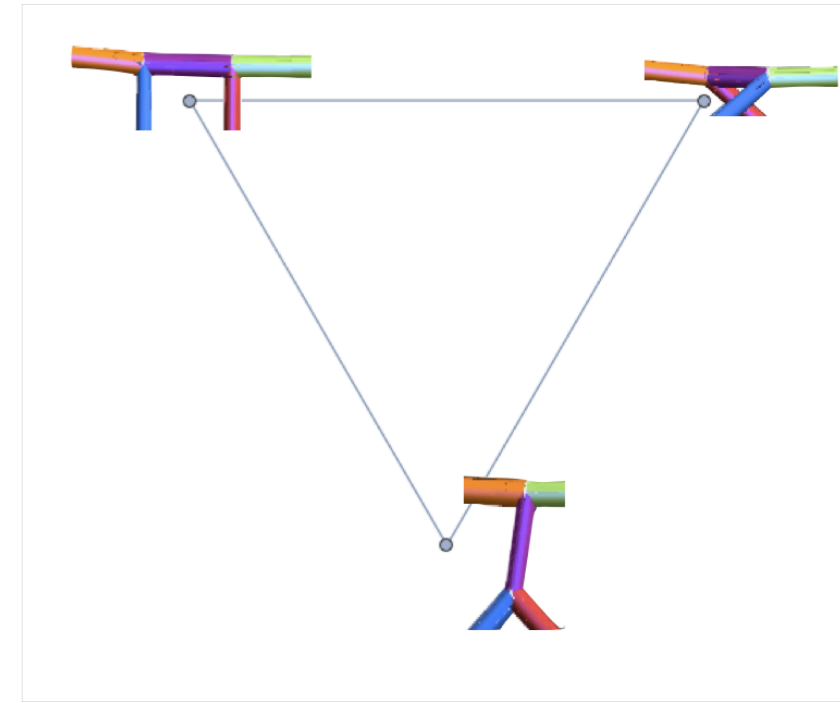
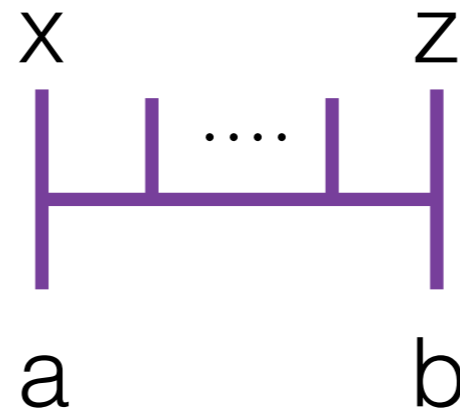
$$A(s, u) = -\frac{(n_u \equiv n_s - n_t)}{u} - \frac{n_s}{s}$$

We find that:

$$n_s = s A(s, t) - \frac{s}{t} n_t$$

$$A(s, u) = A(s, t) \frac{t}{u}$$

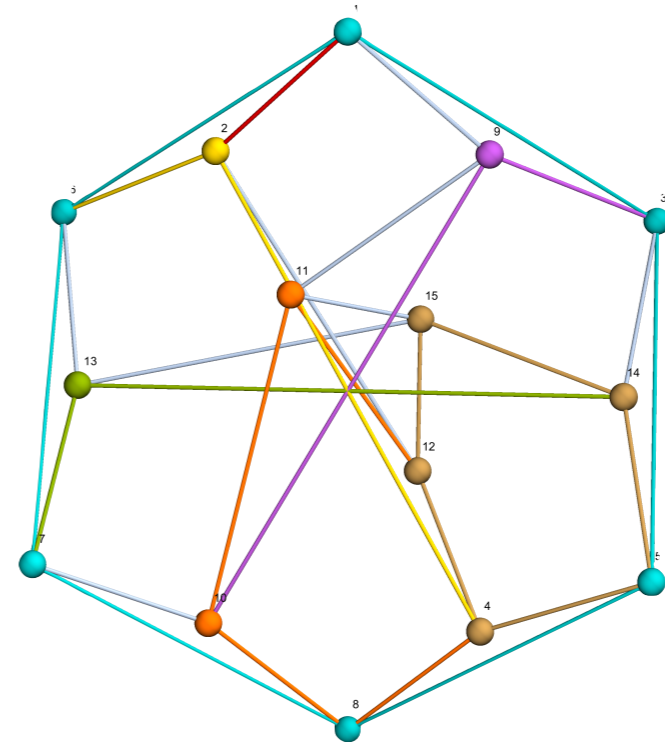
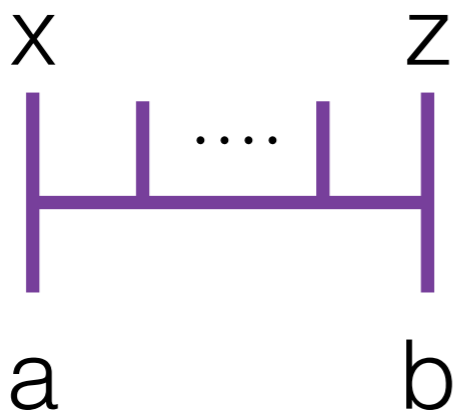
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vs

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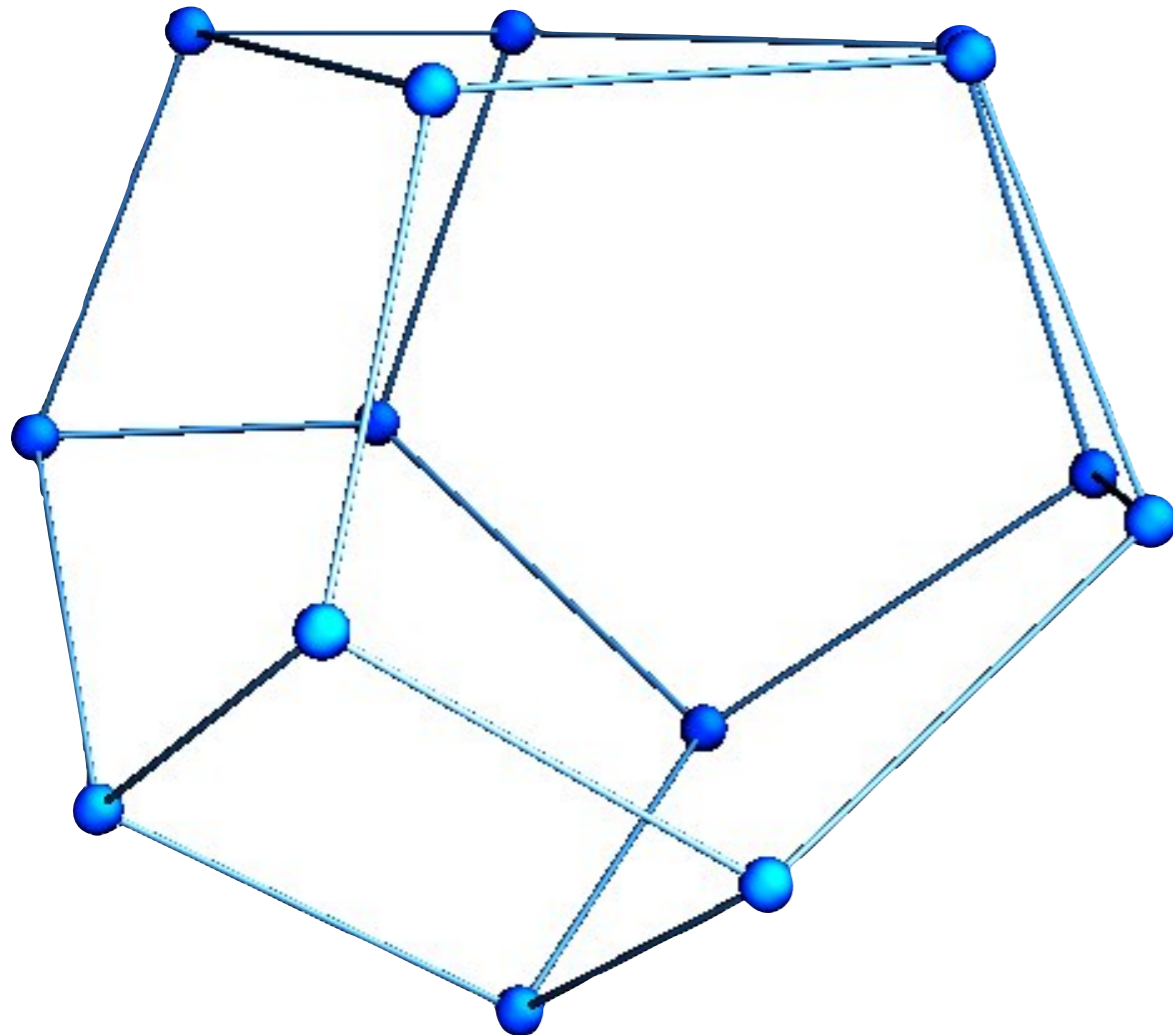


1 function at each **m**

$(m-2)!$ functions at each **m**

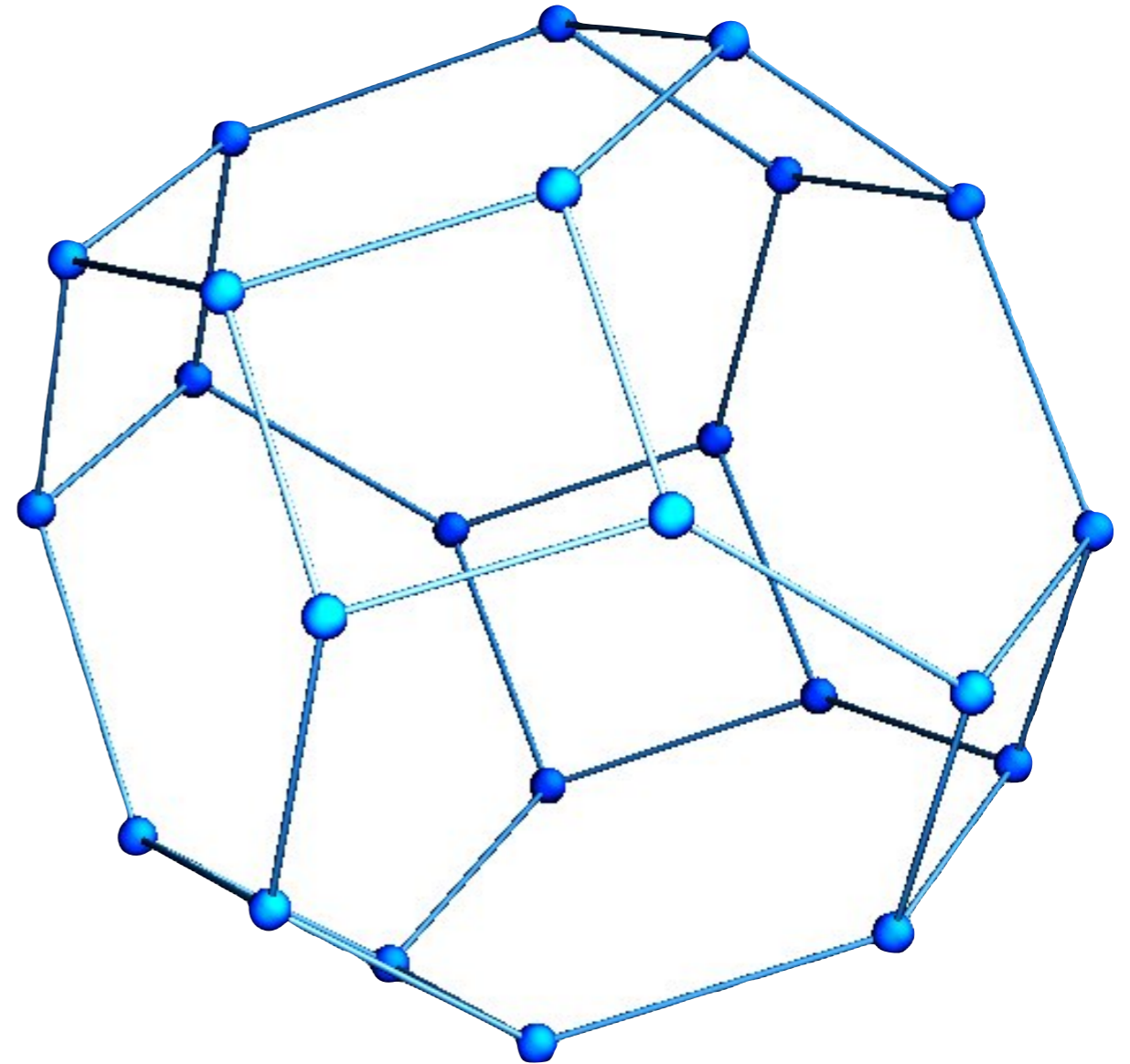
Building blocks at 6-points:

color-ordered amplitude



associahedron

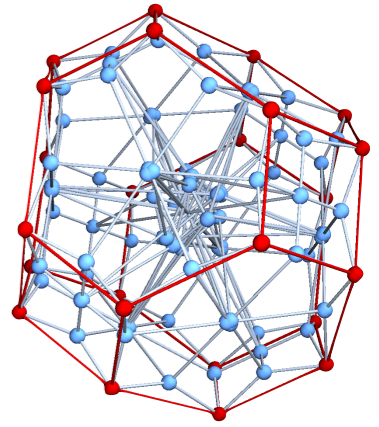
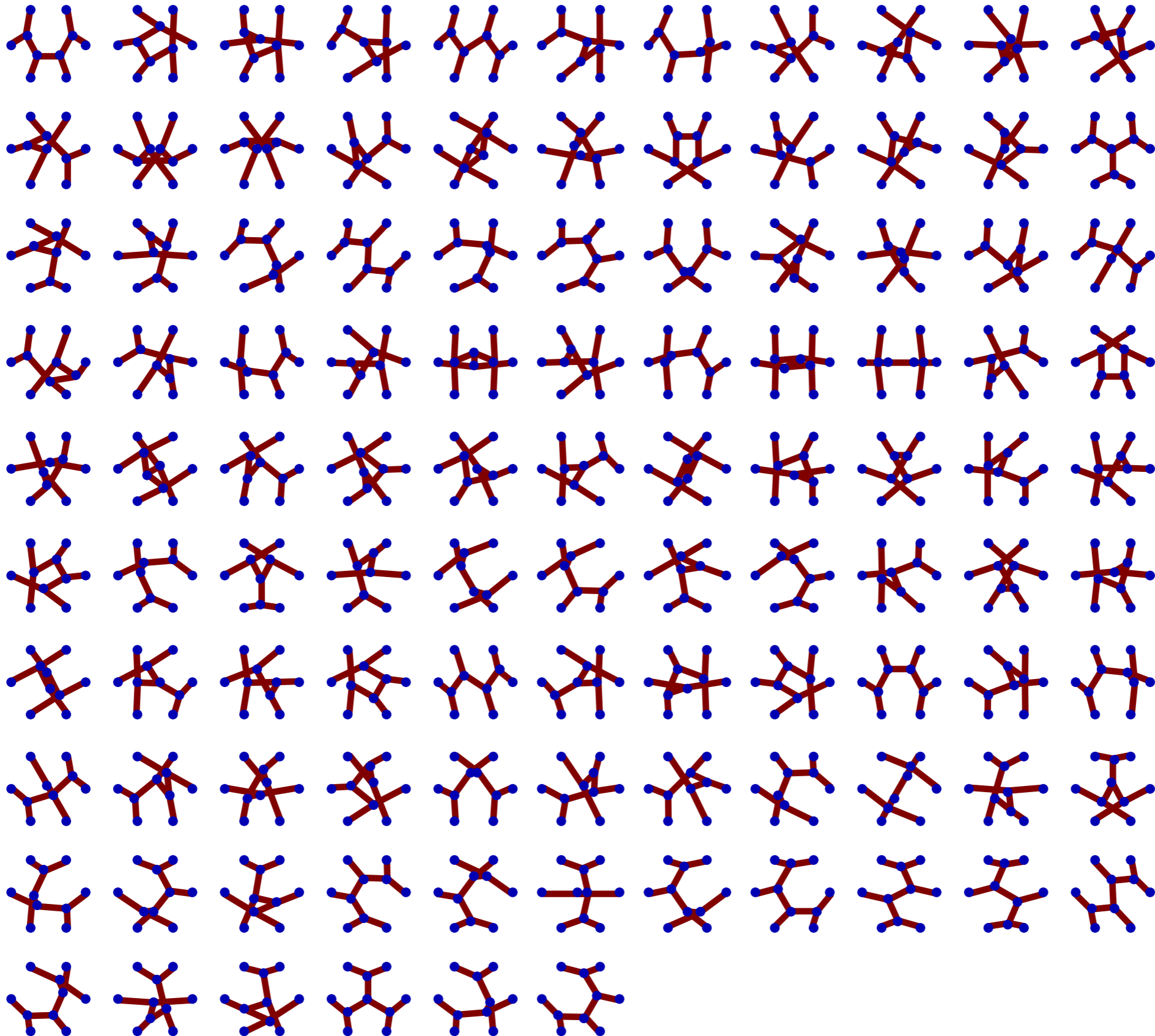
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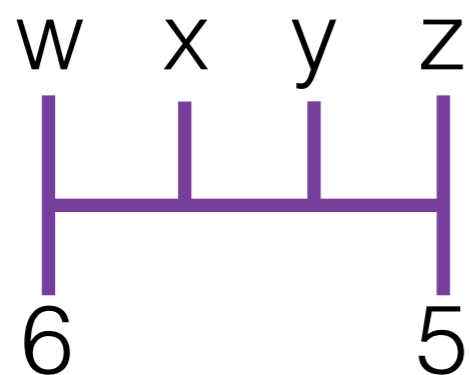
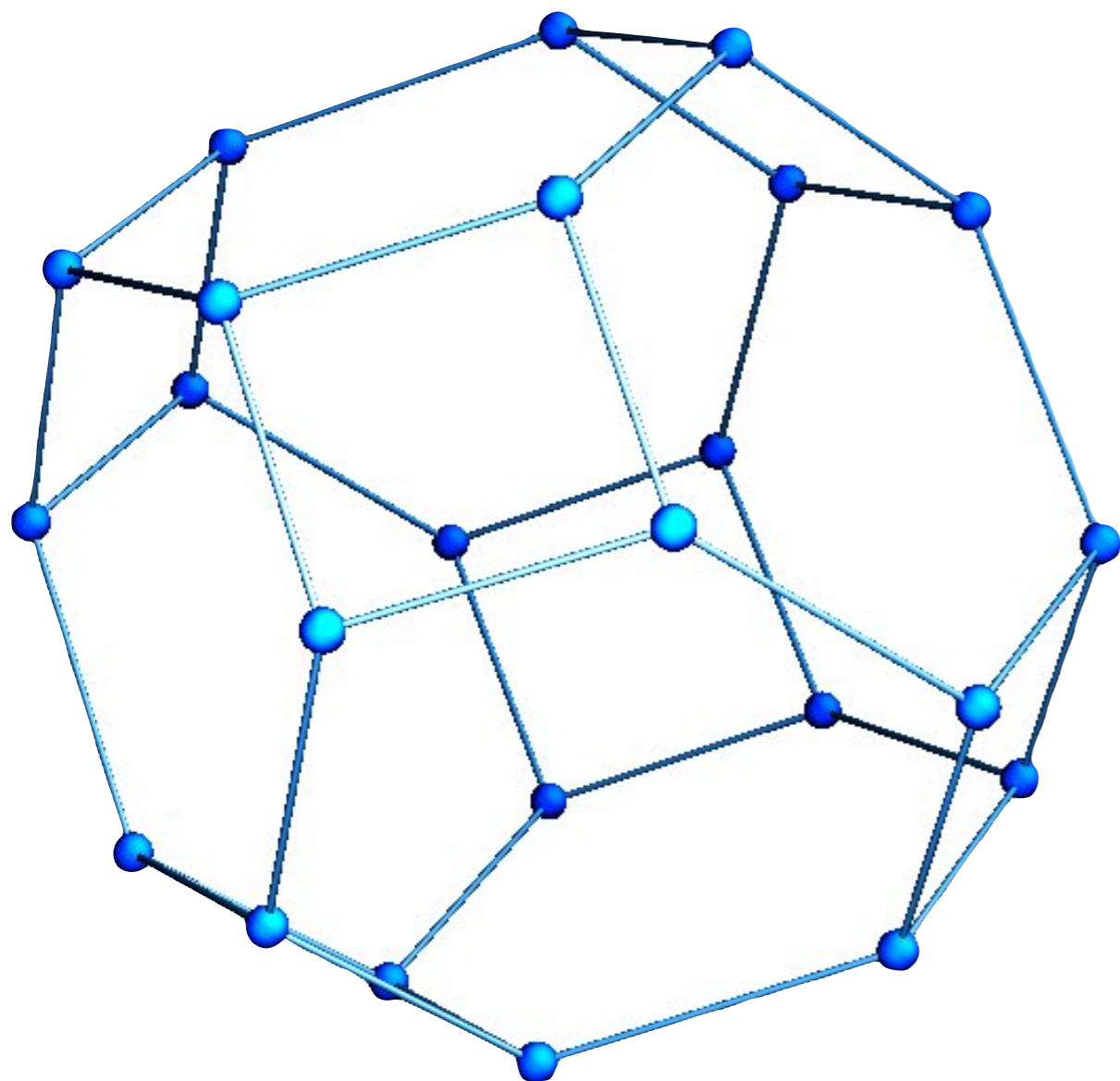
permutohedron

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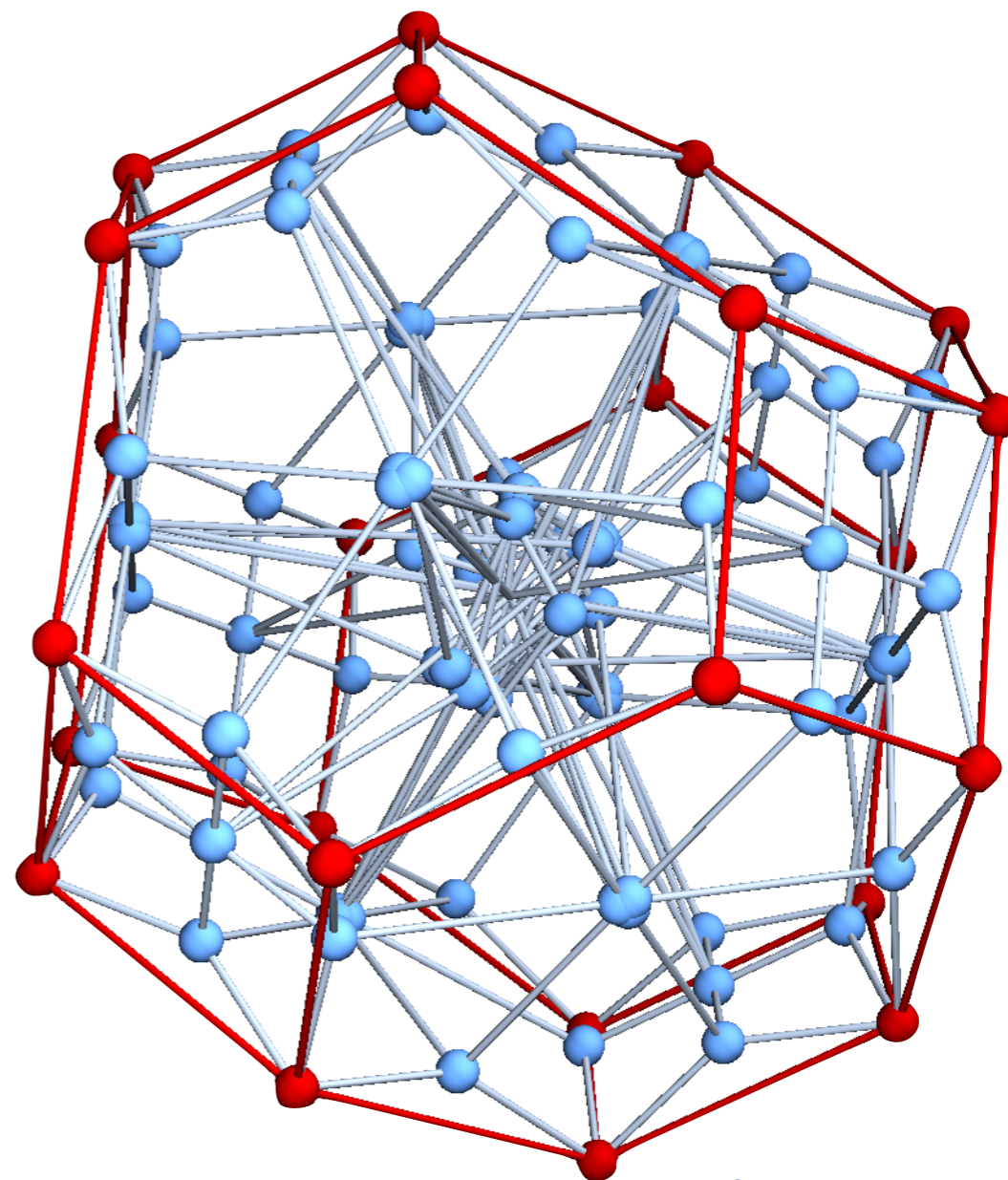
cubic graphs at 6 pt



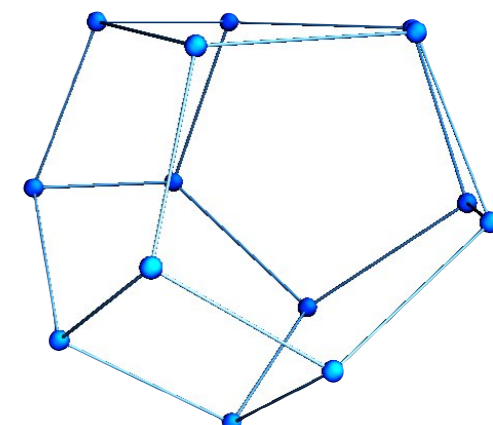
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full amplitude

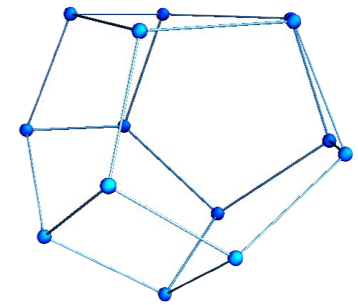


masters fixed by 6

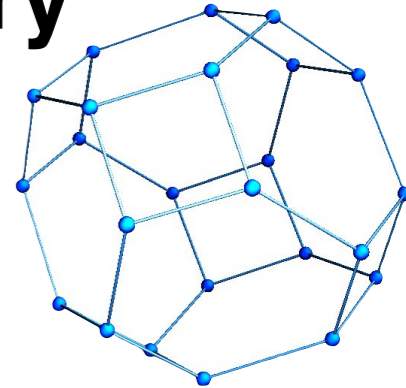


TREE-LEVEL SUMMARY

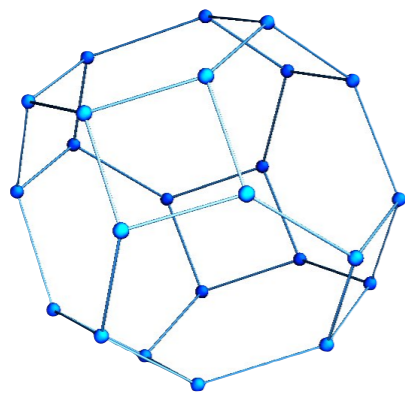
1. **Gauge invariant building blocks that speak to the theory:** color-ordered amplitudes, *associahedra*



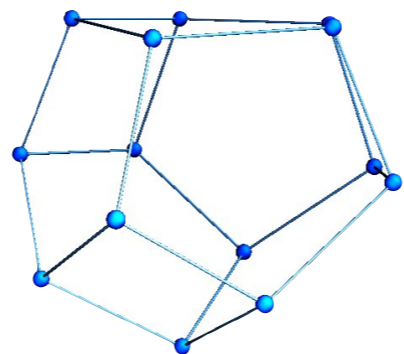
2. **CK means only need to specify the boundary data:** the master graphs, given by the relevant *permutahedron*



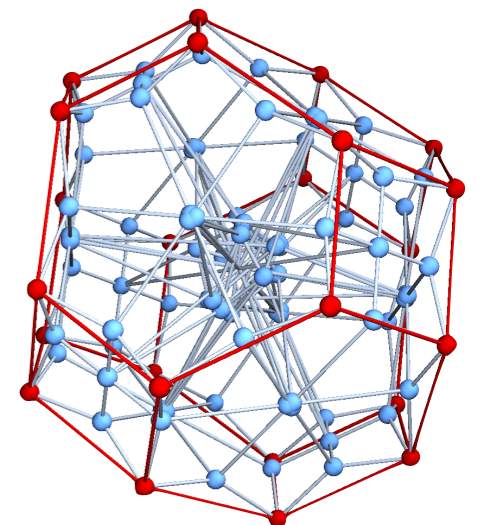
3. **Can solve for the *full amplitude efficiently* in terms of the $(n-3)!$ independent *associahedra***



$$= f(\text{(linear)} \quad \text{associahedron})$$



physics \longleftrightarrow geometry

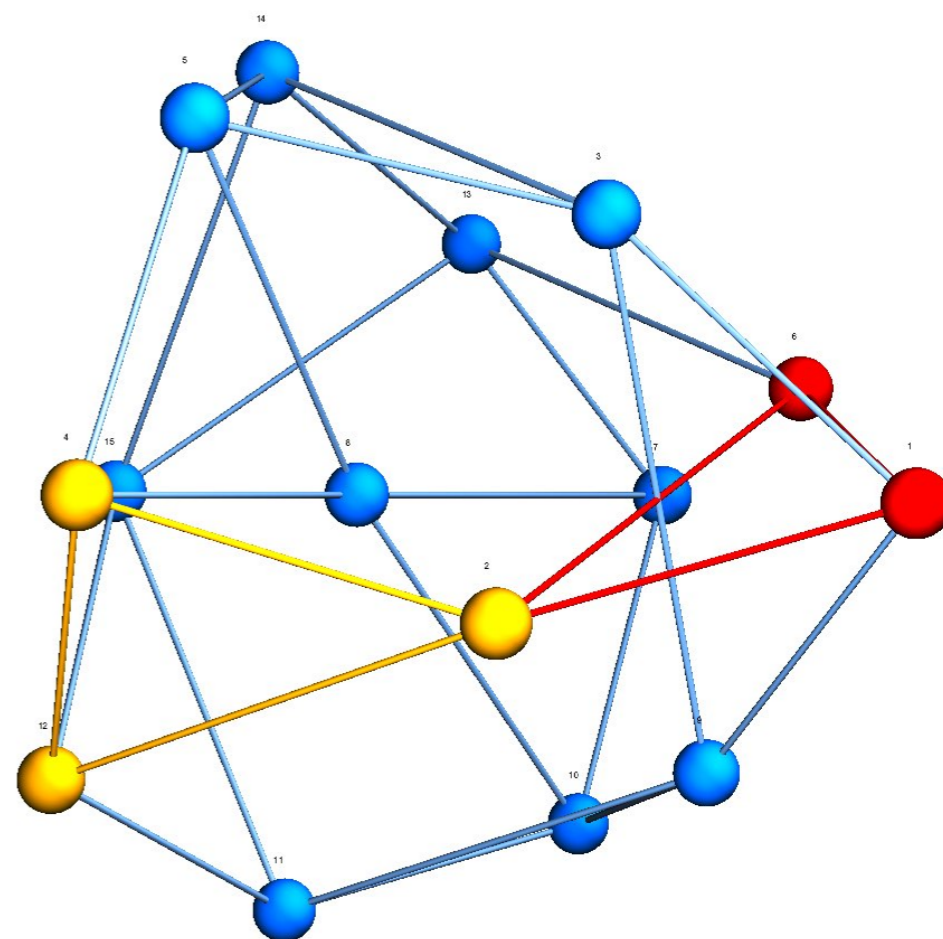


Can do this on loop-level cuts. Can generalize to the off-shell integrand either by introducing ansatze or with a massive over-redundancy of graphs (the pre-Integrand).

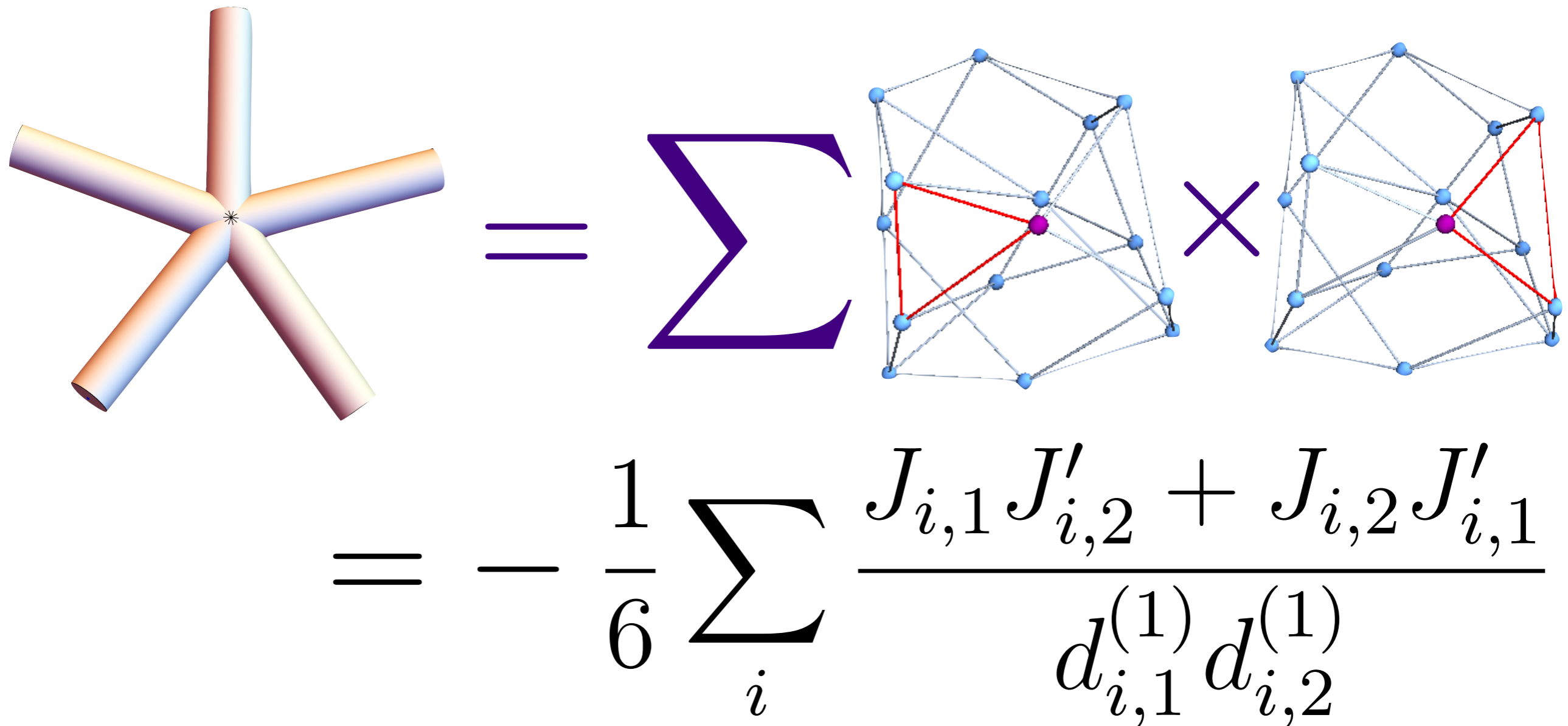
JJMC

Natural question, given a generic (non color-dual) representation for a **gauge amplitude**, and all you want is the related **gravity amplitudes**.

Is there a simple path forward?



The idea is natural: take all non-vanishing kinematic-Jacobi combinations (the triangles), double-copy them with each other, use this information to **define** *off-shell* contact graphs in the double-copy theory.



The diagram illustrates the double-copy construction of a contact graph. On the left, five colored tubes (representing kinematic-Jacobi combinations) meet at a central point marked with an asterisk. This is equated to a sum over contact graphs, represented by a large purple sigma symbol. The contact graph is shown as a 3D structure of blue spheres (vertices) connected by lines (edges), with a central purple sphere. Two such contact graphs are shown, separated by a purple multiplication sign, indicating their double-copy. Below this, the mathematical expression for the contact graph is given as a sum over i of the sum of two terms: $J_{i,1} J'_{i,2} + J_{i,2} J'_{i,1}$ divided by the product of two distances, $d_{i,1}^{(1)} d_{i,2}^{(1)}$.

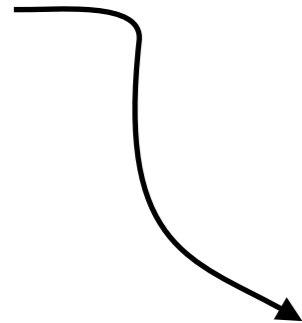
$$= -\frac{1}{6} \sum_i \frac{J_{i,1} J'_{i,2} + J_{i,2} J'_{i,1}}{d_{i,1}^{(1)} d_{i,2}^{(1)}}$$

with Bern, Chen, Johansson, Roiban (2017)

Playful construction

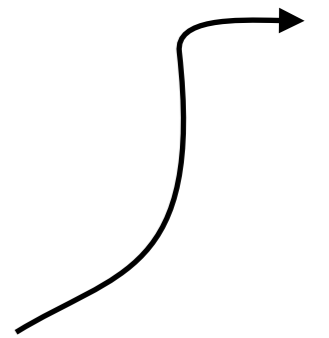
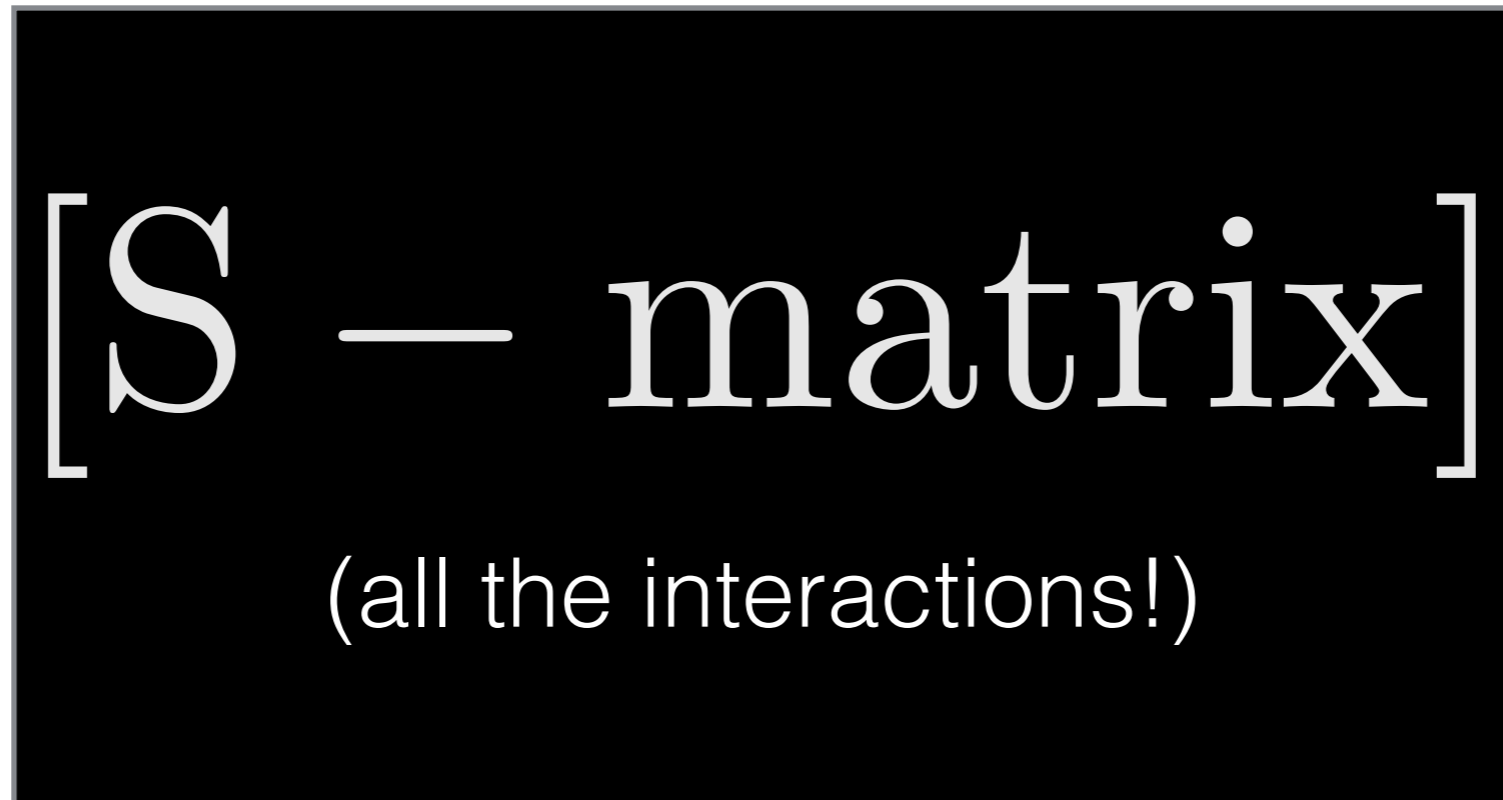
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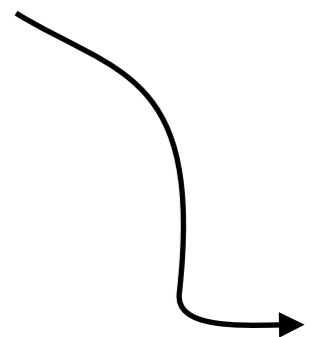
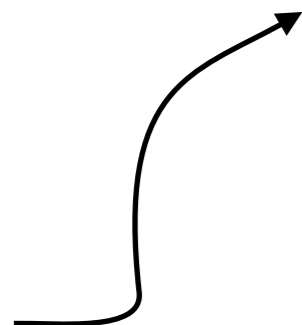
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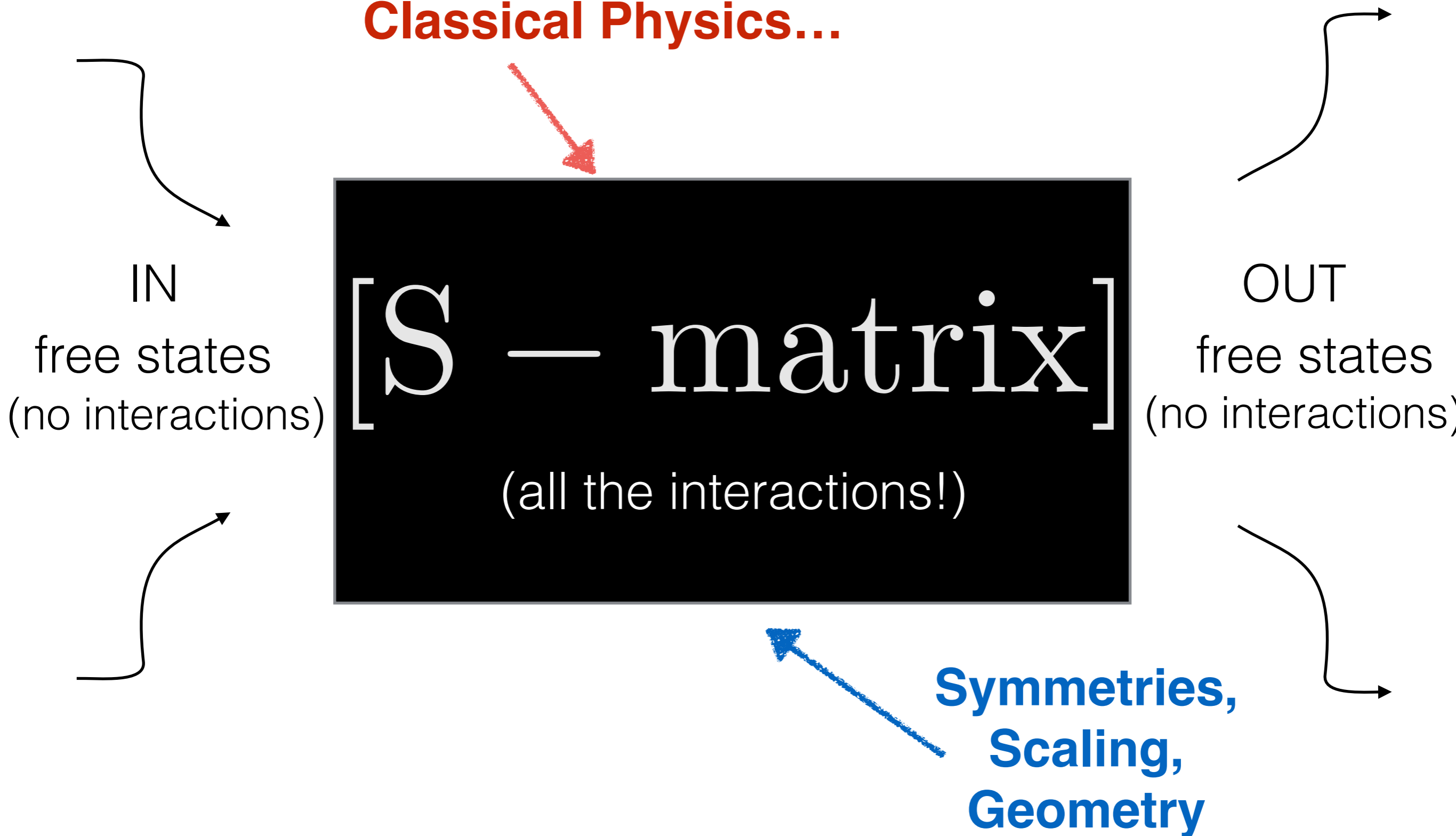
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Playful Construction Using Double-Copy as a Principle

$$U = V \otimes W$$

- 1) Take theories that manifest Double-Copy, strip one “factor” replace with something else that obeys the same algebra.
- 2) Start with generic ansatze, constrain engineering weight, impose algebra.

Example of playful construction

Open String:

Broedel, Schlotterer, Stieberger

$$\alpha' \otimes \text{spin-1}$$

Chan-Paton Stripped open string

$$\text{OS}(P(1, \dots, n)) = Z_P \otimes A$$

Doubly-ordered Z-functions: obey monodromy relations on P

But obey field theory (n-3)! relations on its field theory KLT with Yang-Mills A.

$$Z_P(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n) \equiv \alpha'^{n-3} \int_{-\infty \leq z_{P(1)} \leq z_{P(2)} \leq \dots \leq z_{P(n)} \leq \infty} \frac{dz_1 dz_2 \cdots dz_n}{\text{vol}(SL(2, \mathbb{R}))} \frac{\prod_{i < j}^n |z_{ij}|^{\alpha' s_{ij}}}{z_{q_1 q_2} z_{q_2 q_3} \cdots z_{q_{n-1} q_n} z_{q_n q_1}} .$$

Take seriously Z-functions as encoding predictions for some (effective) field theory.

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Replace sYM in OS with a color-stripped bi-adjoint Scalar

$$\mathbf{OS}(P(1, \dots, n)) = Z_P \otimes A_{\text{YM}}$$

$$\mathbf{Z}(P(1, \dots, n)) = Z_P \otimes C$$

Dressing with Chan-Paton factors renders something that can have the possibility of being interpreted as doubly-colored field-theory scattering amplitudes: we call it Z theory.

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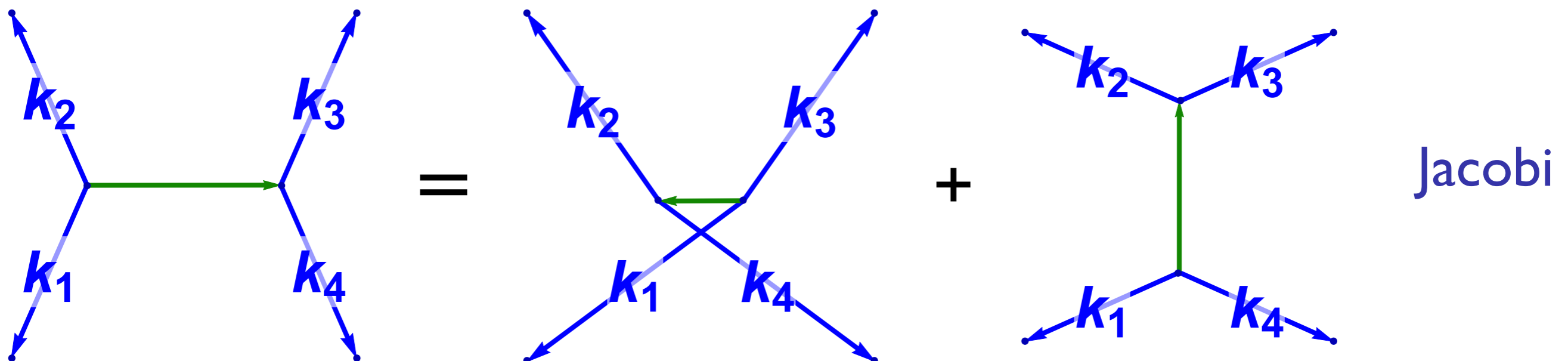
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Get building block of open string predictions **only** when **z** numerators depend on kinematics AND Chan-Paton factors.

Their **algebra** depends on both playing well together



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Somehow abelianization is encoding a story related to SSB

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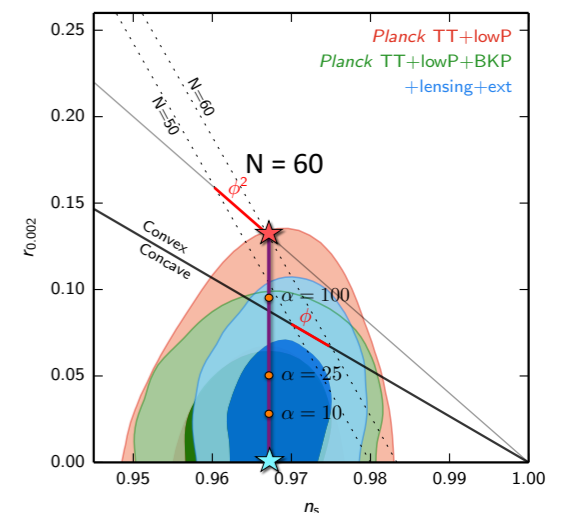
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Let's look at another copy, back to the superstring:

Abelian Open Superstring: $\left[\left(\lim_{\alpha' \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{Z}_\times \right) \otimes A_{\text{YM}} \right] \rightarrow [\text{NLSM} \otimes A_{\text{YM}}]$

Recall **He, Liu, Wu '16; Cachazo, Cha, Mizera '16** found:

$$[\text{NLSM} \otimes A_{\text{YM}}] = \text{SDBIVA}$$



For maximal sYM, 16 linearly realized, 16 nonlinearly realized,
Bergshoeff, Coomans, Kallosh, Shahbazi Van Proeyen '13

$$U = V \otimes W$$

Order by order in higher derivatives can play all these constructive games and more using ansatze with the correct ingredients.

These are stories whose actions may be complicated but whose *predictions* may be maximally compact.

Open question as to what theories can be understood as nontrivial double copies and what their dual-stories are.

The amplitudes can still be interesting even if “crazy” from some perspectives.

Clearly lots of fun games yet to be played — very much an open field.

Classical Solutions

Do classical solutions double-copy?

(See also work of Saotome & Akhoury combinations of Anastasiou, Borsten, Duff, Hughes, Nagy)

Monteiro, O'Connell, and White began a program amassing evidence that the answer could be **yes**, at least for a certain class of solutions.

Monteiro, O'Connell, White '14

Luna, Monteiro, O'Connell, White '15

Luna, Monteiro, Nicholson, O'Connell, White '16

for general perturbative solutions:

Goldberger, Ridgeway '16

Luna, Monteiro, Nicholson, Ochirov, O'Connell, Westerberg, White '16

Goldberger, Prabhu, Thompson '17

scattering on sandwich plane-waves:

Adamo, Casali, Mason, Nekovar '17

3-pt Scattering Amplitude

$$\frac{\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{g})\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{g})}{\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{g})} \xrightarrow{\text{Double Copy}} \frac{\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{g})\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{g})}{\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{g})}$$

Classical Solutions (in a special class called Kerr-Schild)

$$\mathbf{A}_m^a \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{c}^a \mathbf{k}_\nu \phi \xrightarrow{\text{Double Copy}} \mathbf{g}_{\mu\nu} - \eta_{\mu\nu} = \mathbf{k}_\mu \mathbf{k}_\nu \phi$$

Schwarzschild

$$\mathbf{g}_{\mu\nu} - \eta_{\mu\nu} = \frac{2GM}{r} \mathbf{k}_\mu \mathbf{k}_\nu$$

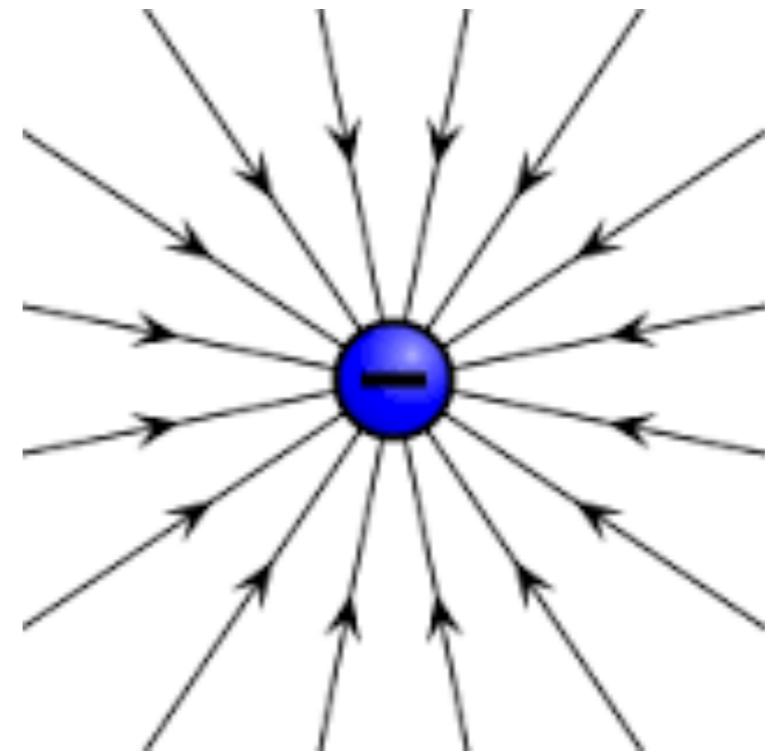
$$\mathbf{k}_\mu = \{1, \hat{\mathbf{r}}\}$$



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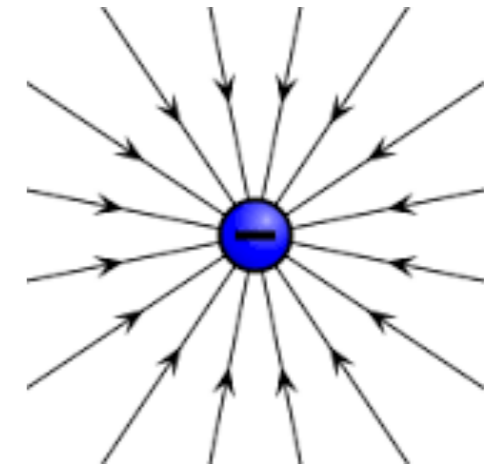
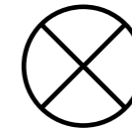
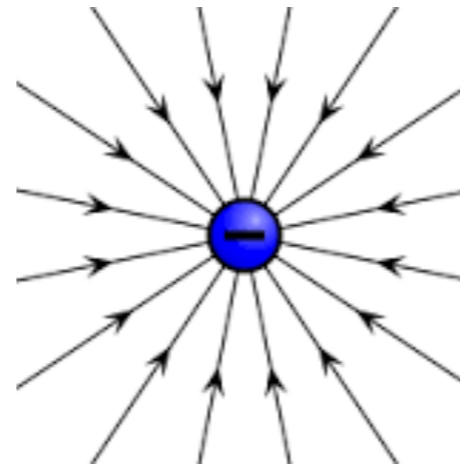
$$\mathbf{A}_\mu = \frac{2GM}{r} \mathbf{k}_\mu$$

abelianized point charge





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Natural question:

What process double copies to Hawking radiation?

Suggestive answer:

Schwinger pair production

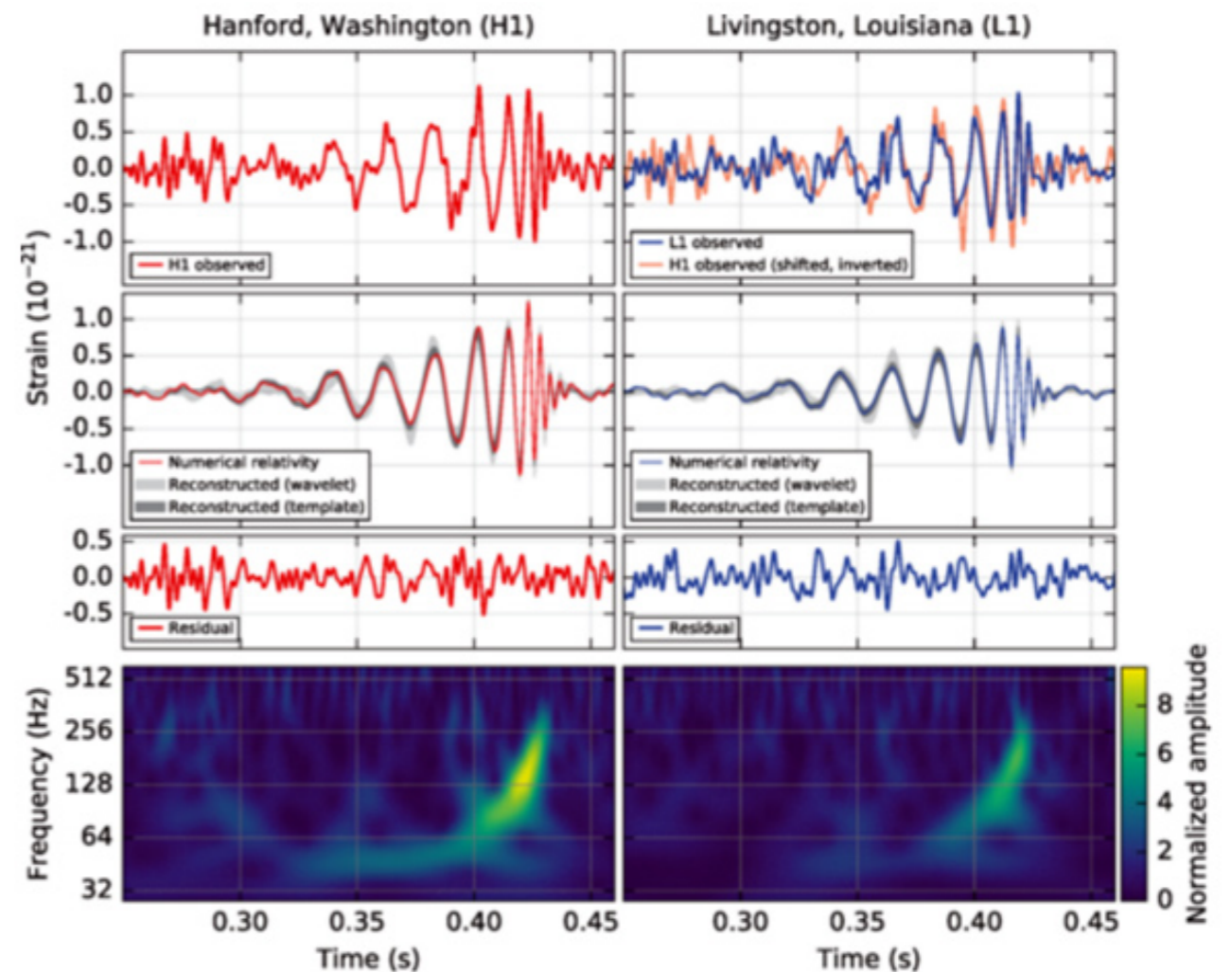
JJMC, Torroba (to appear)

Classical gravity is a Double Copy?

Remind you of some of the double-copy positives:

- + Constrained solutions => can exploit for technical simplicity in prediction
- + Unifying web of relationships between theories

Open question: how far can this go?



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