

Geometry and causal flux in multi-loop Feynman diagrams.



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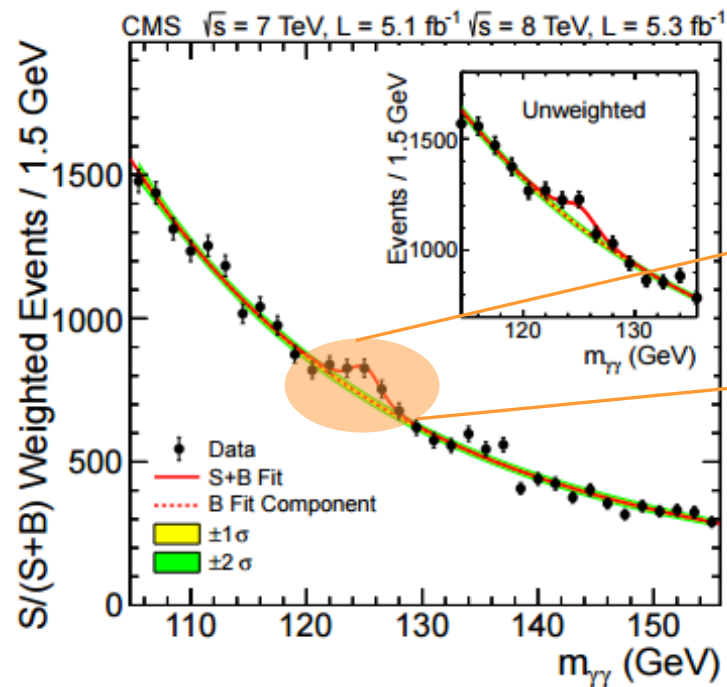
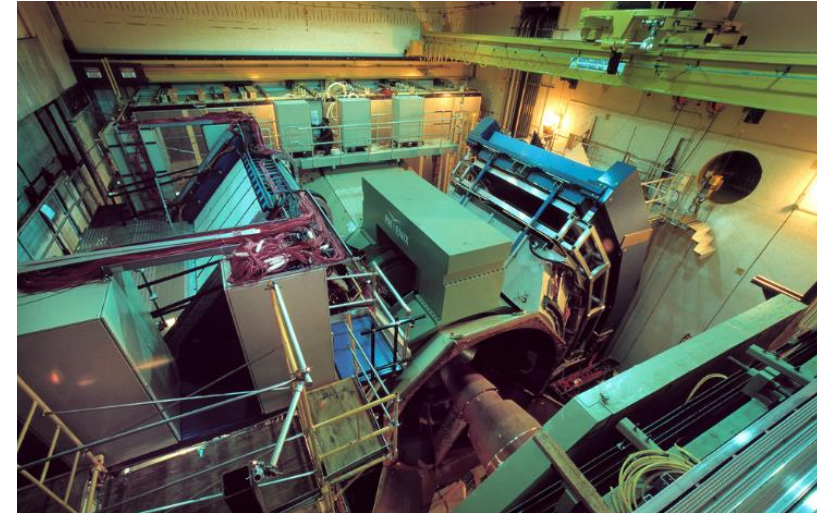


1. Motivation
2. Loop-Tree Duality
 - A. Nested residues
 - B. Causality at integrand level
 - C. Geometry and causality
 - D. Quantum algorithms for causal reconstruction
3. Conclusions

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- Experiments are collecting more and more data
- **More data available** \longrightarrow **More accurate results!!**
- In 2012, LHC discovered a «SM-Higgs»-compatible resonance in the 125 GeV region
- A full determination of its properties requires precision measurements
- **Precision measurements** \longleftrightarrow **Accurate theoretical results!!**



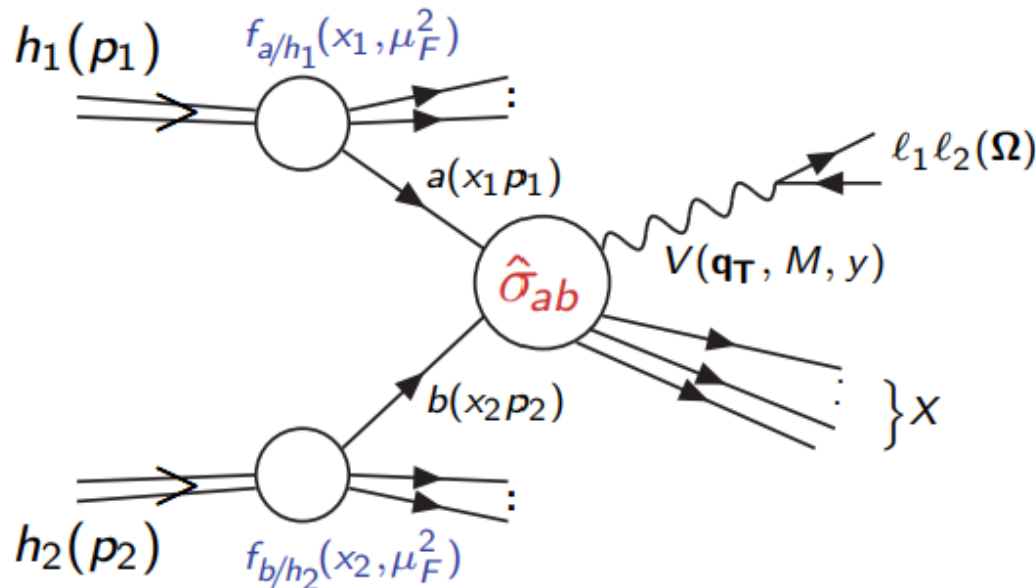
Small effects can be discovered only if theoretical predictions match experimental accuracy...

- What we need to calculate? Cross-sections and production/decay rates at colliders
- How to calculate? Use the parton model and SM (or other QFT...)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d^2\vec{q}_T dM^2 d\Omega dy} = \sum_{a,b} \int dx_1 dx_2 f_a^{h_1}(x_1) f_b^{h_2}(x_2) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ab \rightarrow V+X}}{d^2\vec{q}_T dM^2 d\Omega dy}$$

PDFs
(non-perturbative)

Partonic cross-section
(perturbative)



- Intermediate steps contain mathematical issues
- Need for regularization \Rightarrow DREG
- It changes the number of **space-time dimensions** in order to **achieve integrability**

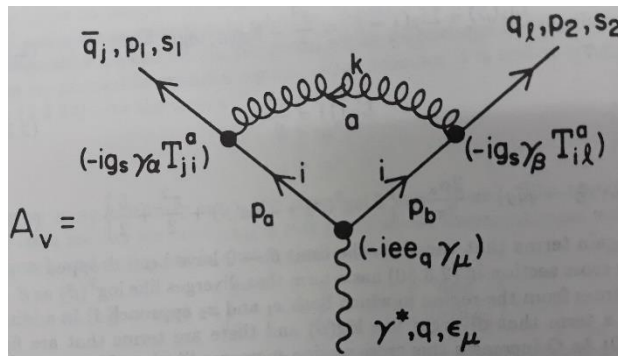
$$\mathcal{O}_d[F] = \int d^d\mathbf{x} F(\mathbf{x}) \quad d = 4 - 2\varepsilon$$

- **Parton Distribution Functions:**

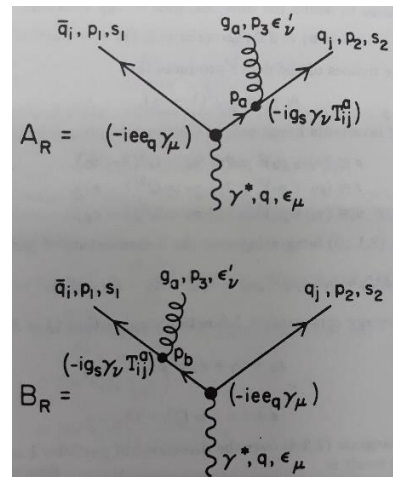
- Extracted from data (fits, neural networks, etc)
- Scale dependence determined by DGLAP equations (perturbative kernels)
- Several PDFs sets available in the market (different datasets, models, approximations, etc)

- **Partonic Cross Sections:**

- Directly obtained from QFT (applying perturbative methods)
- Several ingredients required (for higher-orders)



**Loop contributions
(quantum fluctuations of
vacuum)**



**Real corrections
(additional particles)**



*Appears **after** integration*

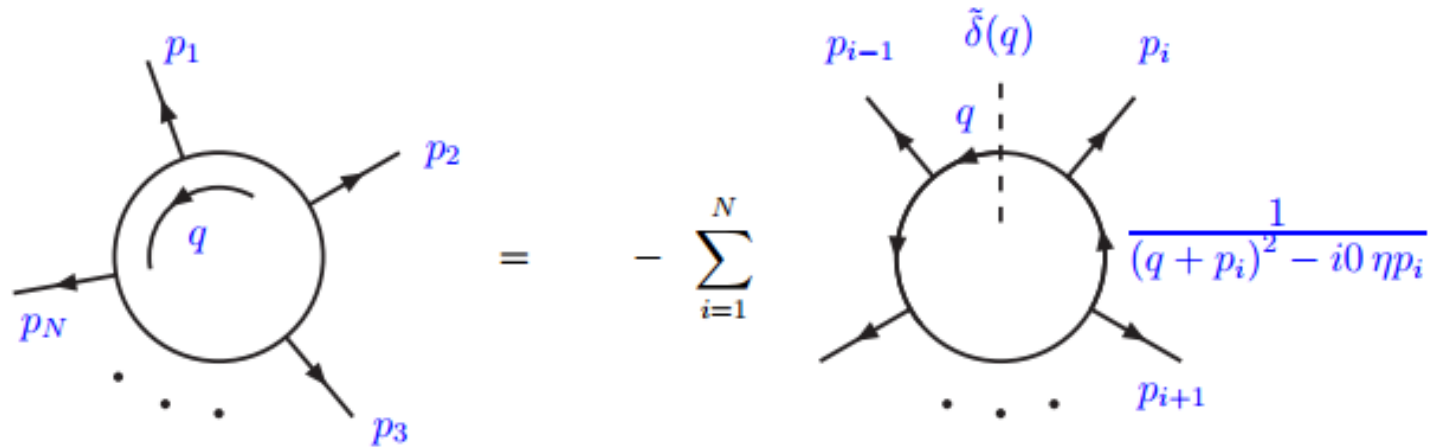
$$\frac{C_T}{\epsilon} \times d\sigma^{(0)} =$$

**Counter-terms
(fix the problems
of the other two)**

**FINITE NUMBER
(compare to
experiments)**

**CANCELLATION
AFTER
INTEGRATION**

- **Loop amplitudes are a bottleneck in current high-precision computations**
- Presence of **singularities and thresholds** prevents direct numerical implementations
- **Well-known theorems (KLN) guarantee the cancellation of singularities for physical observables**
- **Real-radiation** contributions are defined in **Euclidean space** (i.e. phase-space integrals)



Graphical representation of one-loop opening into trees (original idea by Catani et al '08)

LOOP AMPLITUDES

- *Virtual internal momenta*
- *Defined in Minkowski space-time*

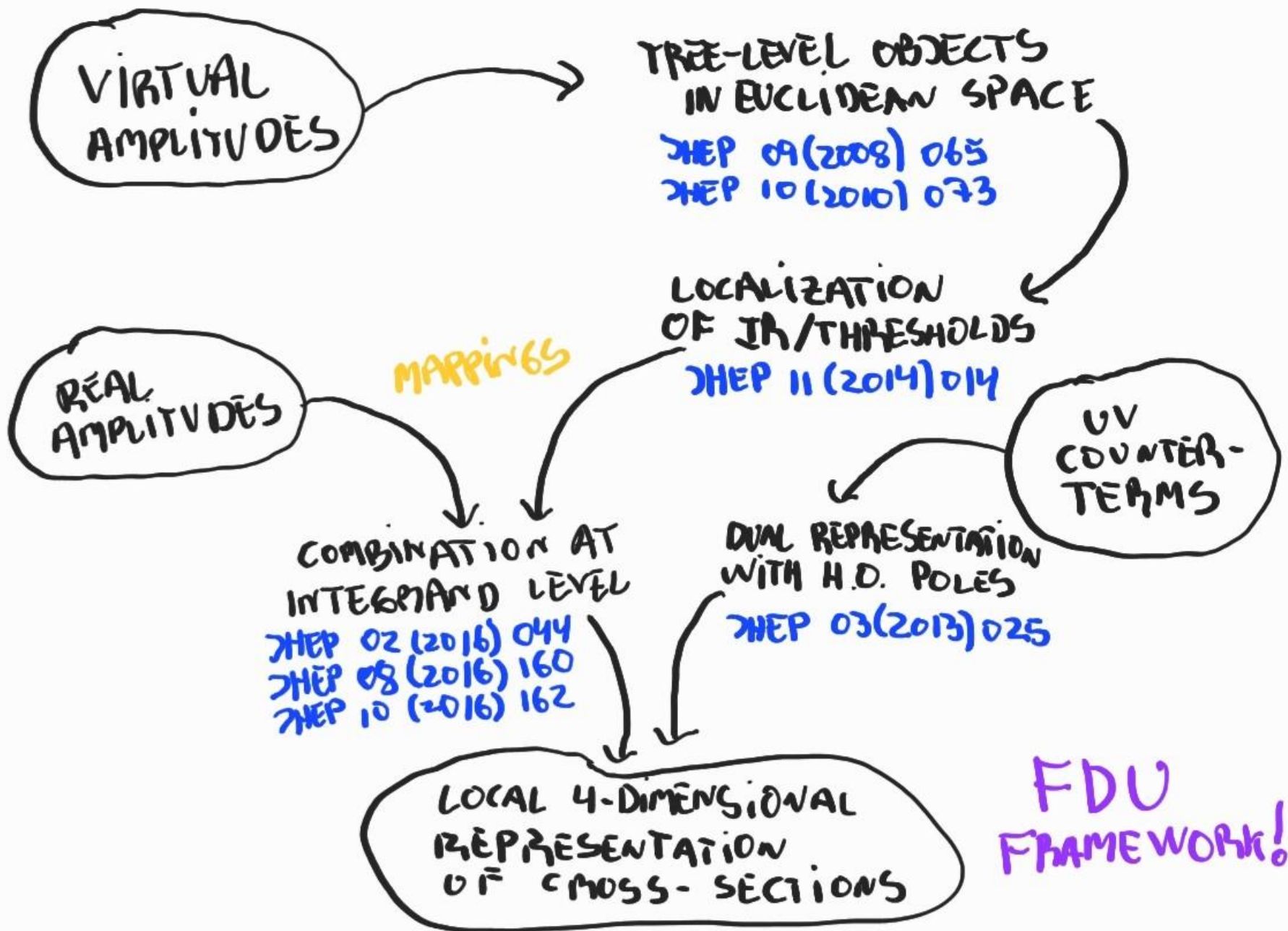


Loop-Tree Duality



DUAL AMPLITUDES

- *On-shell cut momenta*
- *Defined in Euclidean space-time*



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Open Loop Amplitudes and Causality to All Orders and Powers from the Loop-Tree Duality

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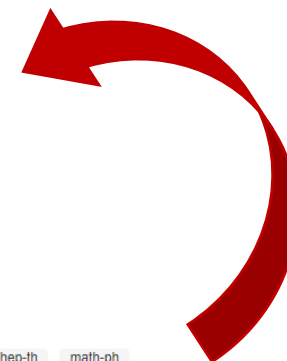
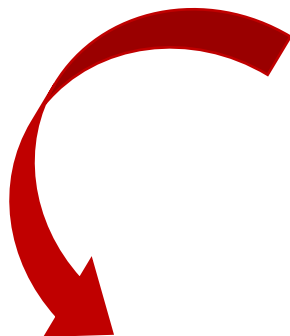
Multiloop scattering amplitudes describing the quantum fluctuations at high-energy scattering processes are the main bottleneck in perturbative quantum field theory. The loop-tree duality is a novel method aimed at overcoming this bottleneck by opening the loop amplitudes into trees and combining them at integrand level with the real-emission matrix elements. In this Letter, we generalize the loop-tree duality to all orders in the perturbative expansion by using the complex Lorentz-covariant prescription of the original one-loop formulation. We introduce a series of multiloop topologies with arbitrary internal configurations and derive very compact and factorizable expressions of their open-to-trees representation in the loop-tree duality formalism. Furthermore, these expressions are entirely independent at integrand level of the initial assignments of momentum flows in the Feynman representation and remarkably free of noncausal singularities. These properties, that we conjecture to hold to other topologies at all orders, provide integrand representations of scattering amplitudes that exhibit manifest causal singular structures and better numerical stability than in other representations.

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NOVEL LTD REPRESENTATION



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Causal representation of multi-loop amplitudes within the loop-tree duality

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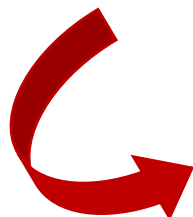
Abstract: The numerical evaluation of multi-loop scattering amplitudes in the Feynman representation usually requires to deal with both physical (causal) and unphysical (non-causal) singularities. The loop-tree duality (LTD) offers a powerful framework to easily characterise and distinguish these two types of singularities, and then simplify analytically the underlying expressions. In this paper, we work exp... [More](#)

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Universal opening of four-loop scattering amplitudes to trees

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Abstract: The perturbative approach to quantum field theories has made it possible to obtain incredibly accurate theoretical predictions in high-energy physics. Although various techniques have been developed to boost the efficiency of these calculations, some ingredients remain specially challenging. This is the case of multiloop scattering amplitudes that constitute a hard bottleneck to solve. In this Let... [More](#)

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Mathematical properties of nested residues and their application to multi-loop scattering amplitudes

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Abstract: The computation of multi-loop multi-leg scattering amplitudes plays a key role to improve the precision of theoretical predictions for particle physics at high-energy colliders. In this work, we focus on the mathematical properties of the novel integrand-level representation of Feynman integrals, which is based on the Loop-Tree Duality (LTD). We explore the behaviour of the multi-loop iterated res... [More](#)

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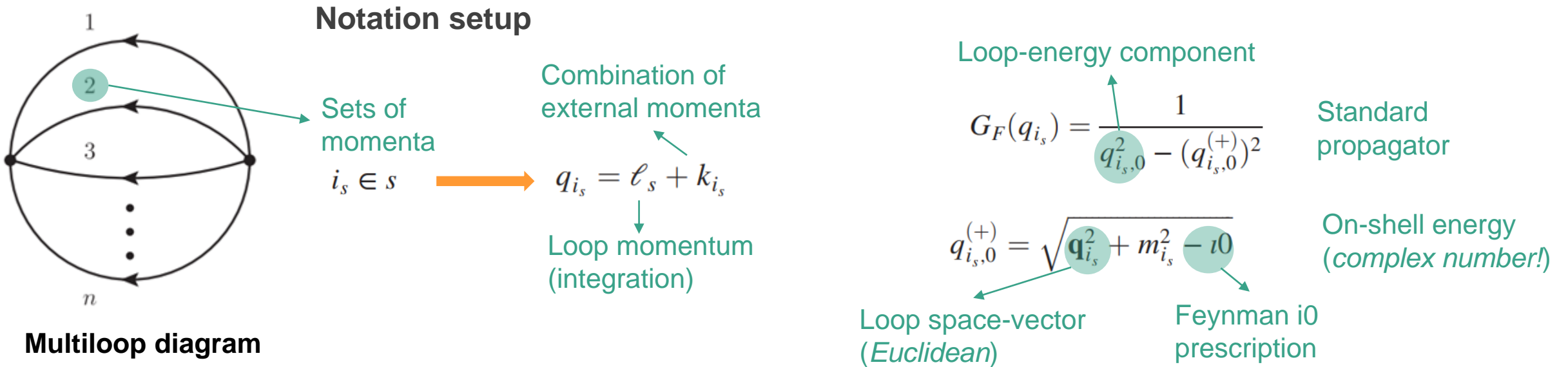
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- *Starting point*: multiloop Feynman integrals and scattering amplitudes
- **Iterated** application of the Cauchy residue theorem to remove one DOF for each loop momenta



- Using this notation, we write *any* L-loop N-particle scattering amplitude:

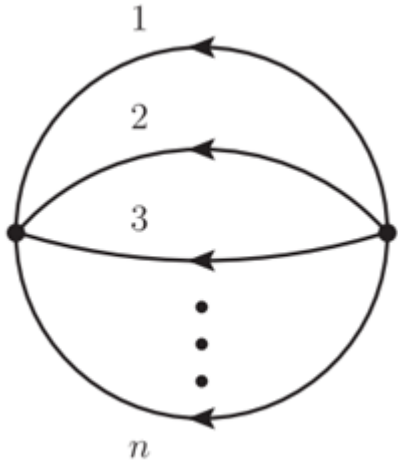
$$A_N^{(L)}(1, \dots, n) = \int_{\ell_1, \dots, \ell_L} \mathcal{N}(\{\ell_i\}_L, \{p_j\}_N) G_F(1, \dots, n) \quad \text{with} \quad G_F(1, \dots, n) = \prod_{i \in \mathcal{U} \dots \mathcal{U}_n} (G_F(q_i))^{a_i}$$

D-dimensional loop momenta (Minkowski)

Sets of momenta

- *Starting point:* multiloop Feynman integrals and scattering amplitudes
- **Iterated** application of the Cauchy residue theorem to remove one DOF for each loop momenta

Iterated application of Cauchy's theorem



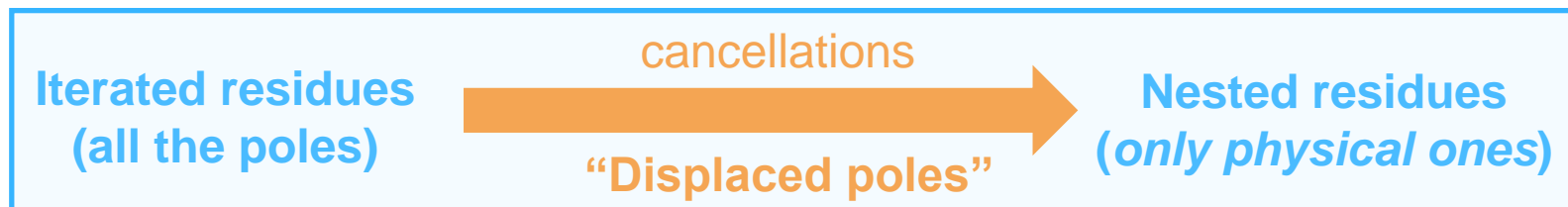
Multiloop diagram

Remaining sets (no residue evaluation)

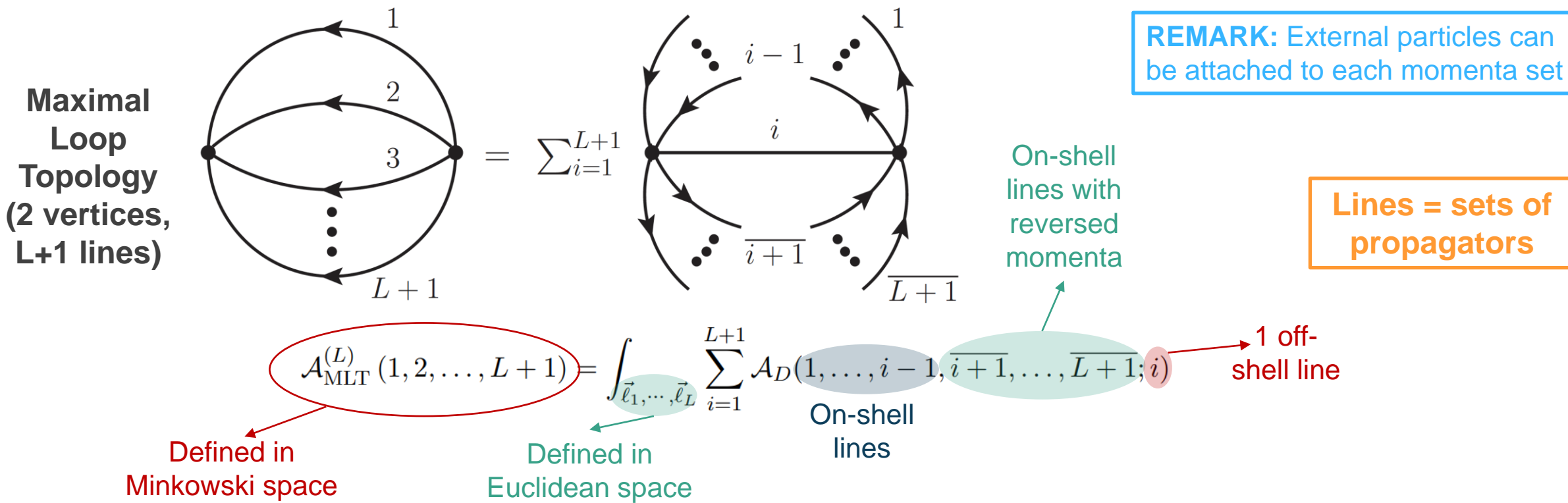
$$G_D(\underbrace{1, \dots, r}_{r^{\text{th}} \text{ residue evaluation}}; \underbrace{n}_{r^{\text{th}} \text{ set}}) = -2\pi i \sum_{i_r \in r} \text{Res}(G_D(\underbrace{1, \dots, r-1}_{(r-1)^{\text{th}} \text{ dual function}}; \underbrace{r, n}_{\text{Depends on integration variables } (q_i)}), \underbrace{\text{Im}(\eta \cdot q_{i_r}) < 0}_{\text{Poles could be in-or-out depending on specific momenta...}})$$

Sum over all the elements of the r^{th} set

- Dual representation for L-loop amplitudes is obtained after the L^{th} residue evaluation
- *Equivalent to:* **“Number of cuts equal number of loops”**
- **Sum over all possible poles is implicit: some contributions vanish inside each iteration**



- Cancellation of displaced poles leads to very compact formulae for the dual representation:

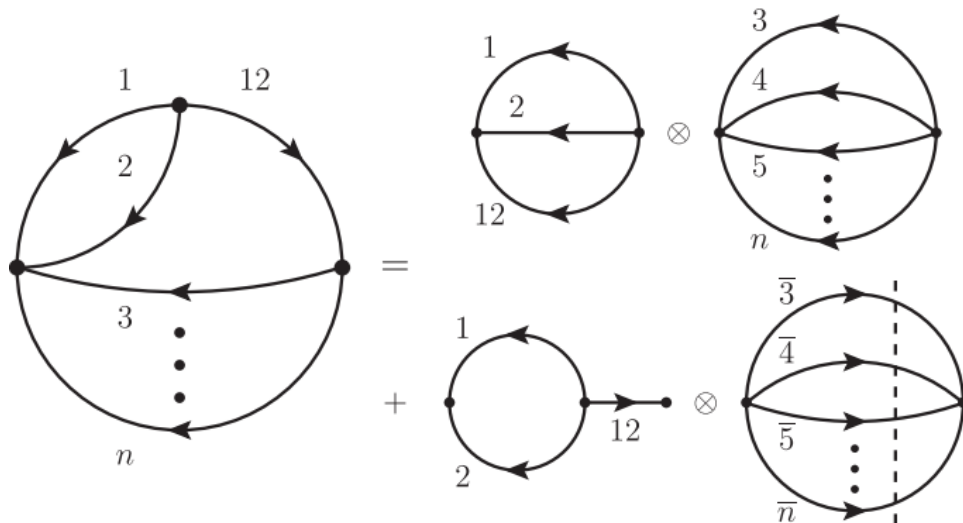


- We define the Maximal Loop Topology (MLT) as a building block to describe multi-loop amplitudes
- **Important:** “Any one and two-loop amplitude can be described by MLT topologies”

Inductive proofs of these formulae to all-loop orders available in **JHEP 02 (2021) 112**

- More complicated topologies can be described by convolutions with MLT-like diagrams

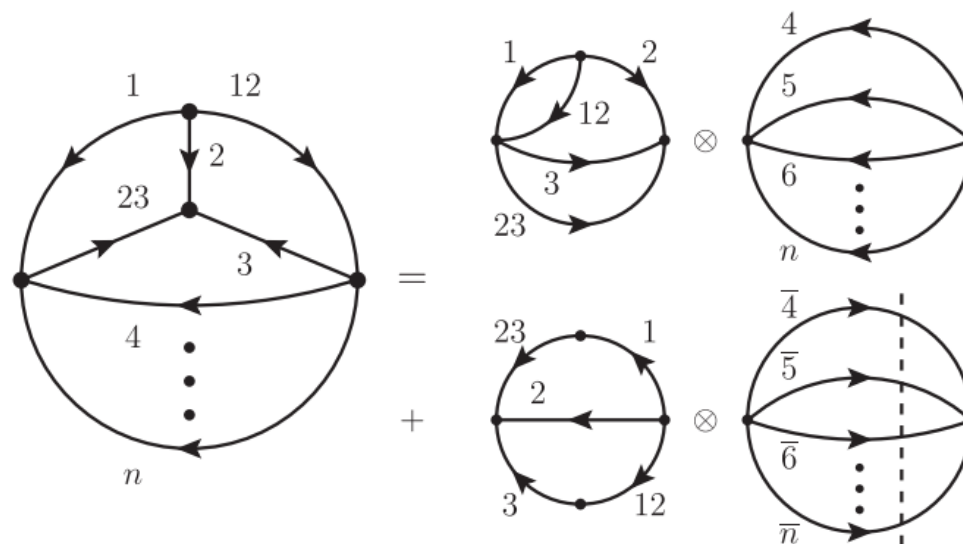
Next-to Maximal Loop Topology (3 vertices, L+2 lines)



$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{NNMLT}}^{(L)}(1, \dots, n, 12) = \mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(2)}(1, 2, 12) \otimes \mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L-2)}(3, \dots, n) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(1)}(1, 2) \otimes \mathcal{A}^{(0)}(12) \otimes \mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L-1)}(\bar{3}, \dots, \bar{n})$$

IMPORTANT FACTORIZATION FORMULAE
Singular and causal structure is determined by the corresponding sub-topologies

Next-to-Next-to Maximal Loop Topology (4 vertices, L+3 lines)

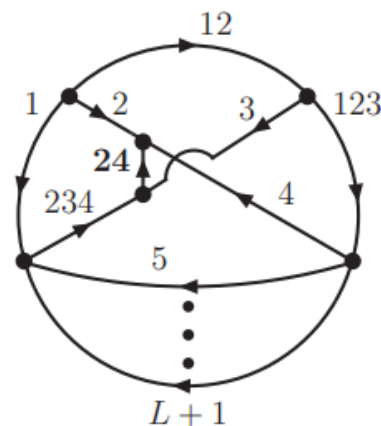
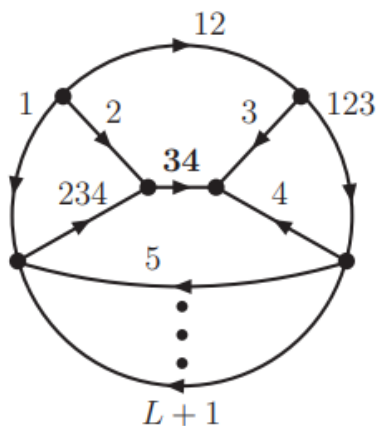
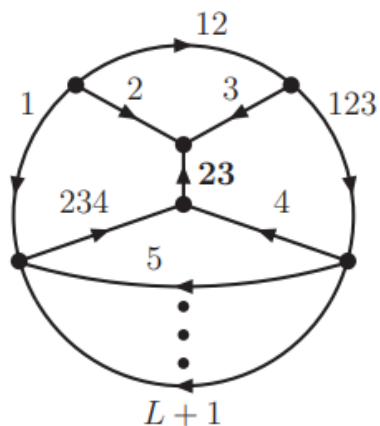


$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{NNMLT}}^{(L)}(1, \dots, n, 12, 23) = \mathcal{A}_{\text{NNMLT}}^{(3)}(1, 2, 3, 12, 23) \otimes \mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L-3)}(4, \dots, n) + \mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(2)}(1 \cup 23, 2, 3 \cup 12) \otimes \mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L-2)}(\bar{4}, \dots, \bar{n})$$

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- It works also for (much) more complicated topologies!!!

**NNNN
Maximal
Loop
Topologies
(6 vertices,
 $L+5$ lines)**



Thanks to factorization properties, the singular and **causal** structure is given in terms of simpler objects

Lines = sets of propagators

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{N}^4\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1, \dots, L+1, 12, 123, 234, J)$$

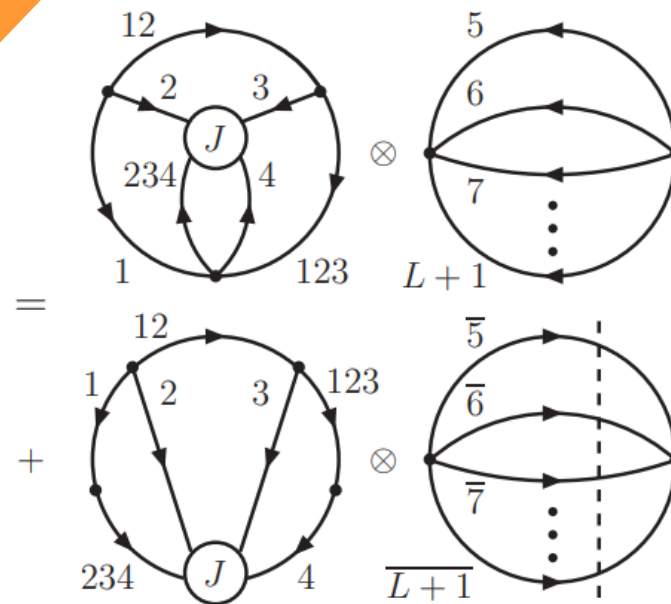
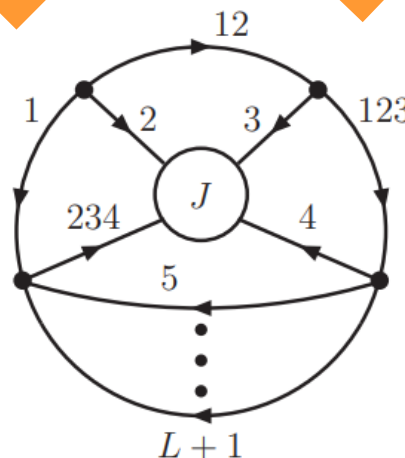
$$= \mathcal{A}_{\text{N}^4\text{MLT}}^{(4)}(1, 2, 3, 4, 12, 123, 234, J)$$

$$\otimes \mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L-4)}(5, \dots, L+1)$$

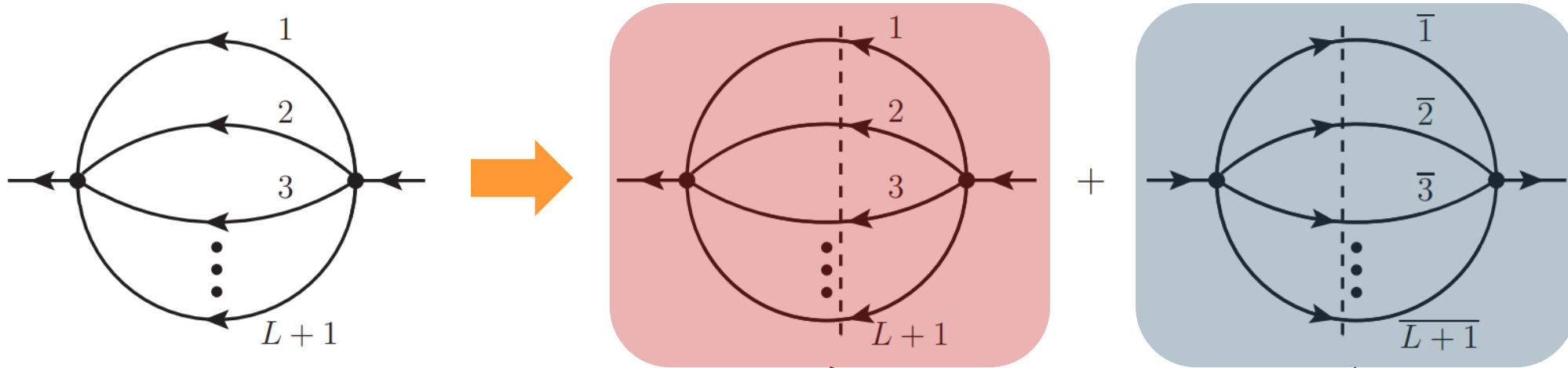
$$+ \mathcal{A}_{\text{N}^2\text{MLT}}^{(3)}(1 \cup 234, 2, 3, 4 \cup 123, 12, J)$$

$$\otimes \mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L-3)}(\bar{5}, \dots, \bar{L+1})$$

**N⁴MLT
universal
topology**



- The cancellation of displaced poles implies un-physical terms vanish in the final representation
- Moreover, there is a strict connection between **aligned contributions** and **causal terms!!!**
- *MLT example*: If we **sum over all the possible cuts**, we get this **extremely compact result**:

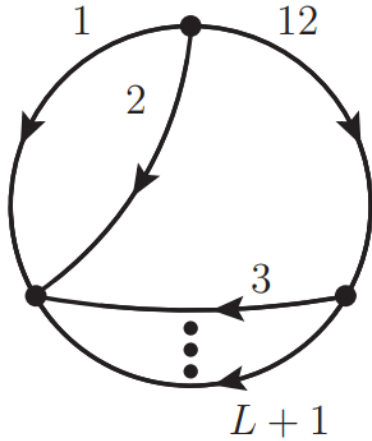


$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, (L+1)_{-p_1}) = - \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{1}{x_{L+1}} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1^-} + \frac{1}{\lambda_1^+} \right)$$

with $\lambda_1^\pm = \sum_{i=1}^{L+1} q_{i,0}^{(+)} \pm p_{1,0}$ and $x_{L+k} = 2^{L+k} \prod_{i=1}^{L+k} q_{i,0}^{(+)}$

CAUSAL PROPAGATORS

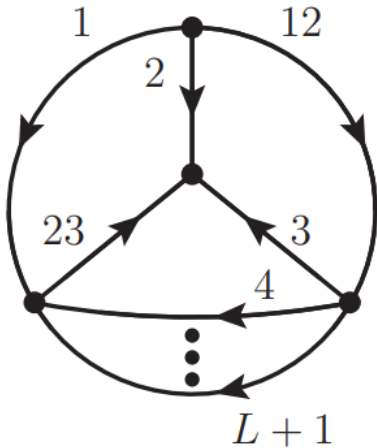
- Similar formulae can be found for NMLT and NNMLT to all loop orders!



$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{NMLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, L+2) = \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{2}{x_{L+2}} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_2 \lambda_3} + \frac{1}{\lambda_3 \lambda_1} \right)$$

with

$$\lambda_1 = \sum_{i=1}^{L+1} q_{i,0}^{(+)} \quad \lambda_2 = q_{1,0}^{(+)} + q_{2,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+2,0}^{(+)} \quad \lambda_3 = \sum_{i=3}^{L+2} q_{i,0}^{(+)}$$



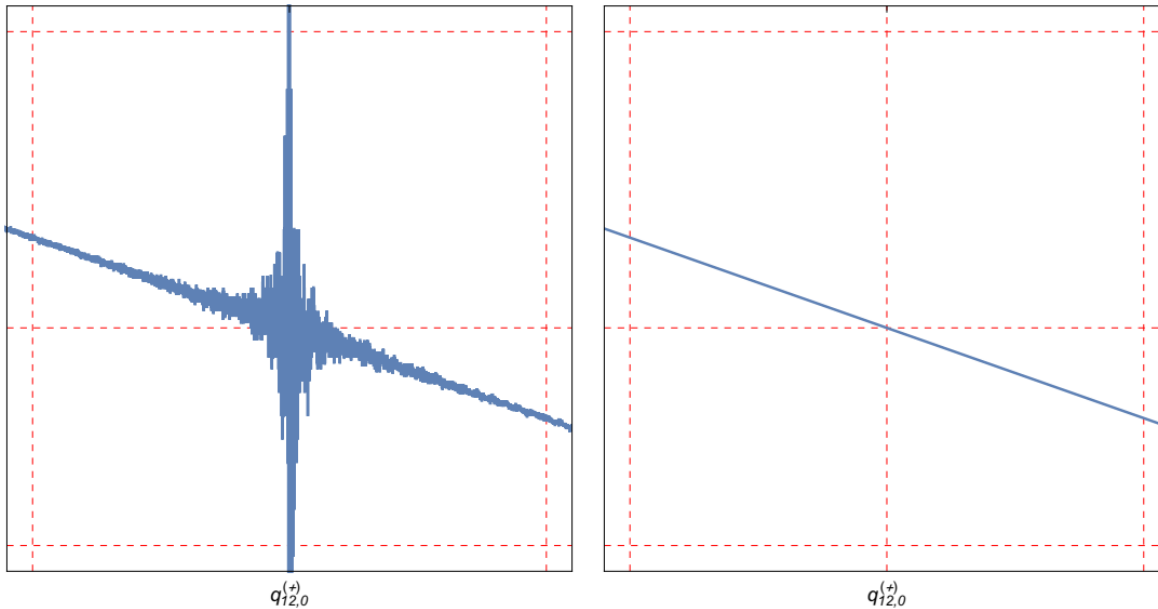
$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{N}^2\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, L+3) = - \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{2}{x_{L+3}} \left[\frac{1}{\lambda_1} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_3} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_4} + \frac{1}{\lambda_5} \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_6} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_3} + \frac{1}{\lambda_5} \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_7} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_5} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_3} + \frac{1}{\lambda_4} \right) \right]$$

with

$$\lambda_4 = q_{2,0}^{(+)} + q_{3,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+3,0}^{(+)} \quad \lambda_6 = q_{1,0}^{(+)} + q_{3,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+2,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+3,0}^{(+)}$$

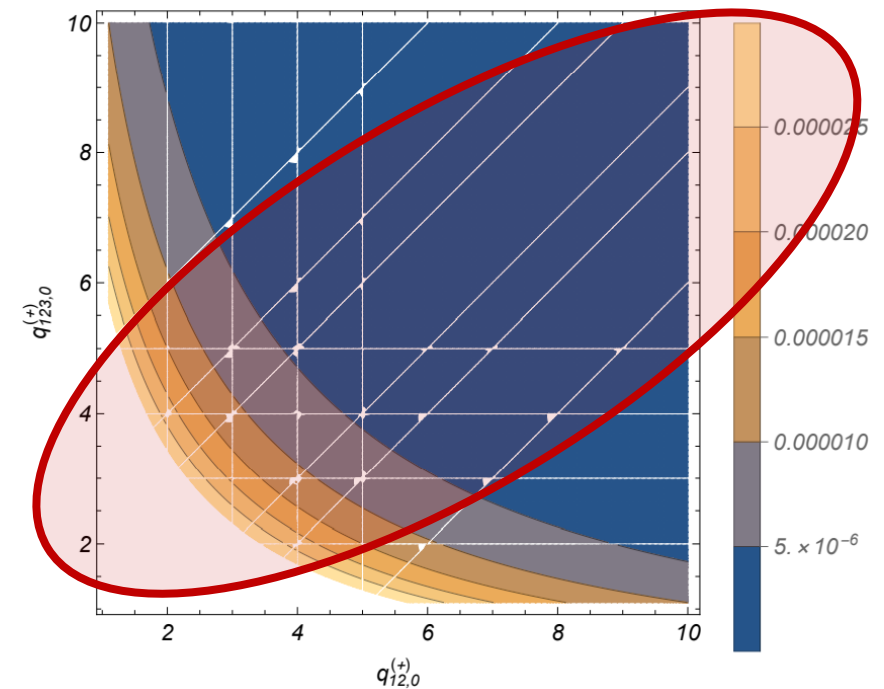
$$\lambda_5 = q_{1,0}^{(+)} + q_{L+3,0}^{(+)} + \sum_{i=4}^{L+1} q_{i,0}^{(+)} \quad \lambda_7 = q_{2,0}^{(+)} + \sum_{i=4}^{L+3} q_{i,0}^{(+)}$$

- This is a Causal Representation and exists for any QFT amplitude!
- Advantages
 1. Causal denominators have **same-sign combinations of on-shell energies** (positive numbers), thus are **more stable numerically!**
 2. **Only physical thresholds remain**; spurious un-physical instabilities are removed!



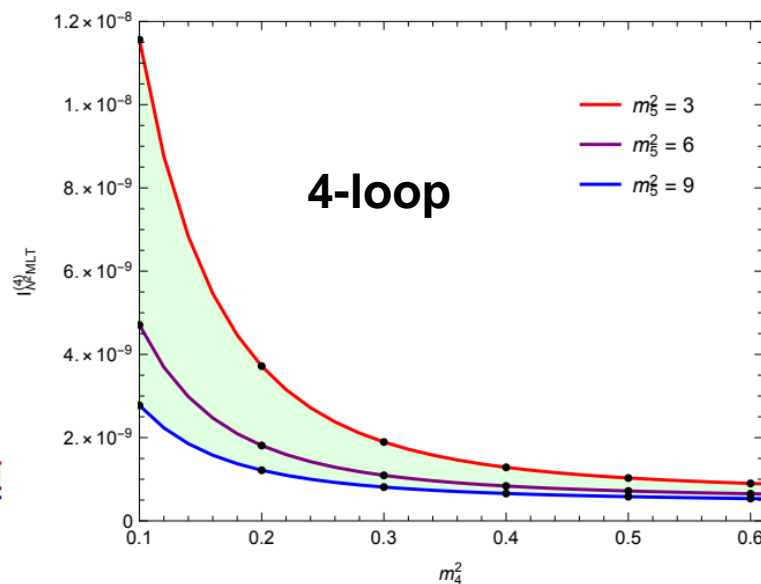
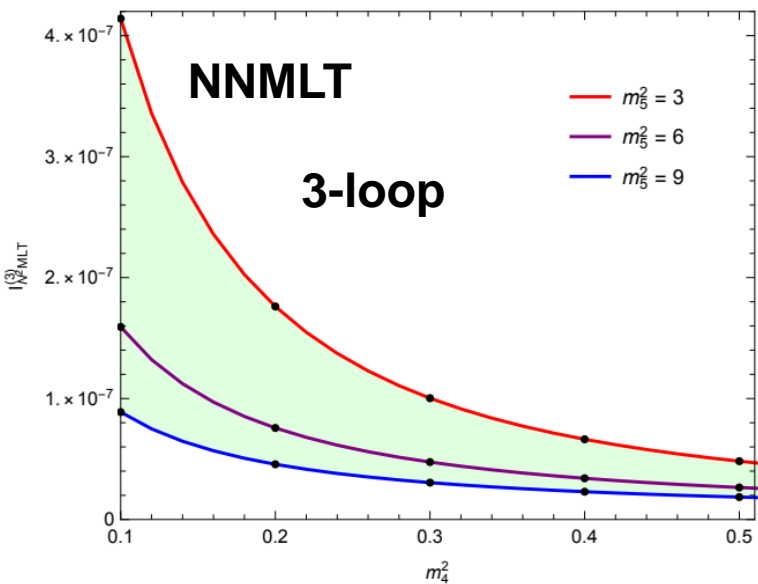
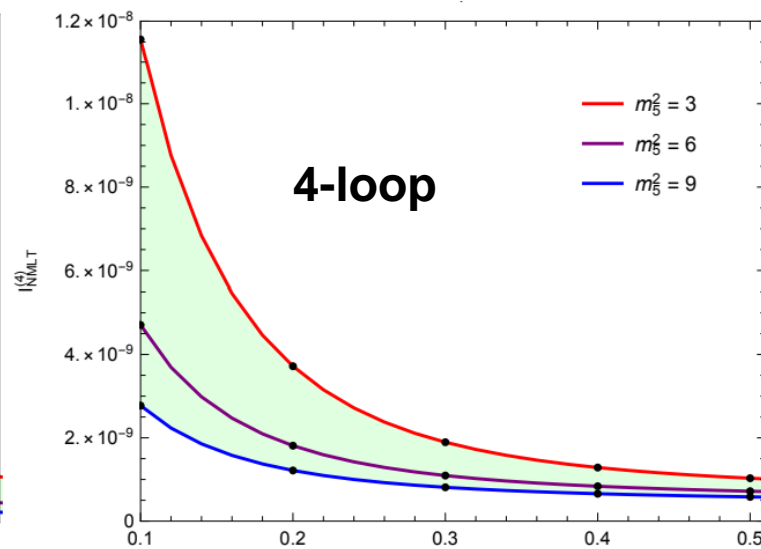
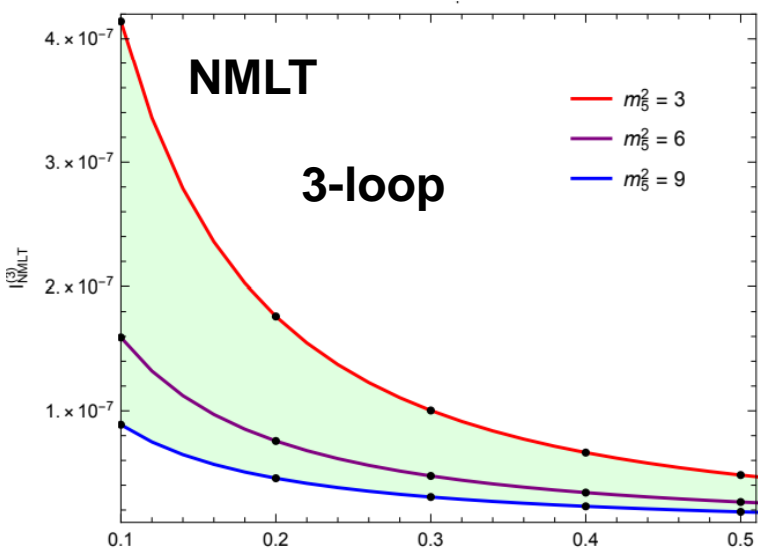
Without causal representation

With causal representation



White lines = Numerical instabilities

• Numerical results in D=4:



$$\mathcal{A}_{N^{k-1}\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1^2, 2^2, \dots, L^2, L+1, \dots, L+k) = \prod_{i=1}^L \frac{\partial}{\partial (q_{i,0}^{(+)})^2} \mathcal{A}_{N^{k-1}\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, L+1, \dots, L+k)$$

Is also causal by construction!
(derivatives preserve denominators)

Solid lines: LTD
Dots: FIESTA

Setup:

$$\mathcal{A}_{N^{k-1}\text{MLT}}^{(L)}(1^2, 2^2, \dots, L^2, L+1, \dots, L+k)$$

Mases: $\{1, 2, \dots, L\} \longleftrightarrow m_4^2$
 $\{L+1, \dots, L+k\} \longleftrightarrow m_5^2$

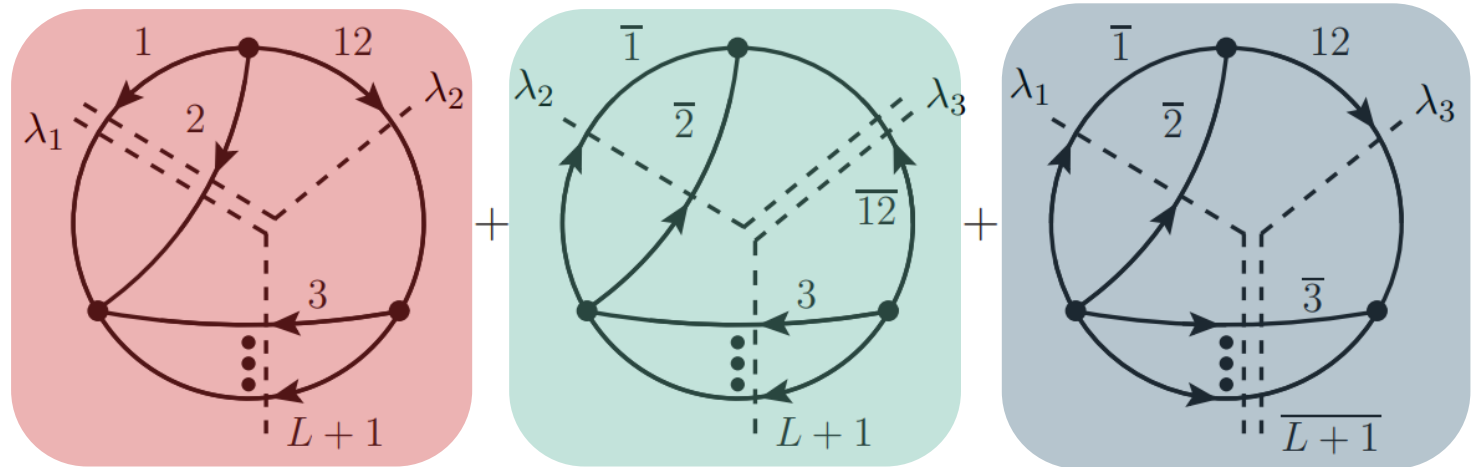
- Further studies were performed with several topological families

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- Graphical interpretation in terms of entangled thresholds

- Each causal propagator represents a **threshold** of the diagram
- Each diagram contains **several thresholds**
- The causal representation involves products of (**compatible**) thresholds

Causal denominators (λ) are associated to **cut lines** in the diagrams: **momenta flow** must be adjusted to be **compatible**



$$A_{\text{NMLT}}^{(L)}(1, 2, \dots, L+2) = \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{2}{x_{L+2}} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_2 \lambda_3} + \frac{1}{\lambda_3 \lambda_1} \right)$$

- Causal representation obtained directly after **summing over all the nested residues**

Master formula

$$\mathcal{A}_N^{(L)}(1, \dots, L+k) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma} \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{\mathcal{N}_\sigma(\{q_{r,0}^{(+)}\}, \{p_{j,0}\})}{x_{L+k}} \times \prod_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{-\lambda_{\sigma(i)}} + (\sigma \leftrightarrow \bar{\sigma})$$

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Set of entangled thresholds
Products of k causal propagators

- *Is it possible to do it in other way?* ➡

- **Geometrical reconstruction**

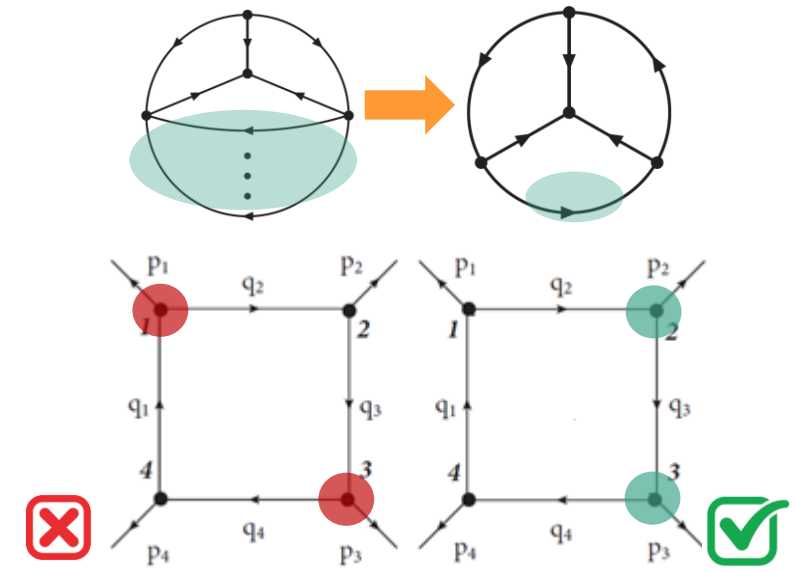
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- **Algebraic reconstruction (Lotty)**

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- Previous concepts

1. **Diagrams** are made of **vertices** and **multi-edges** (*bunches of propagators, connecting two given vertices*)
2. **Multi-edges** define a **basis of momenta**, that lead to the “**vertex matrix**” ➡ **Defines the casual structure!**
3. **Binary partitions** are given by **subsets of vertices** that **splits in two** the original diagram ➡ **Connected partitions!**



More detailed explanation
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1. Generate causal propagators

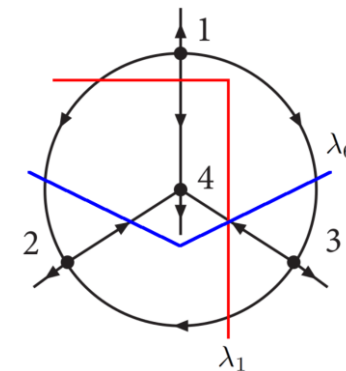
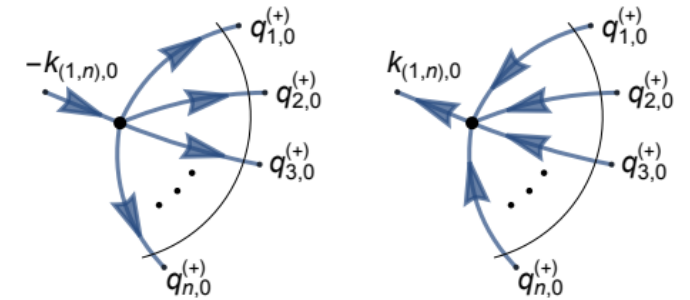
- Causal propagators are associated to **binary connected partitions** of the diagram, namely “*connected sub-blocks of the diagram*”
- They encode the possible **physical thresholds**
- Involve a **consistent (aligned) energy flow** through the cut lines

2. Order of a diagram: it quantifies the complexity of a given topology

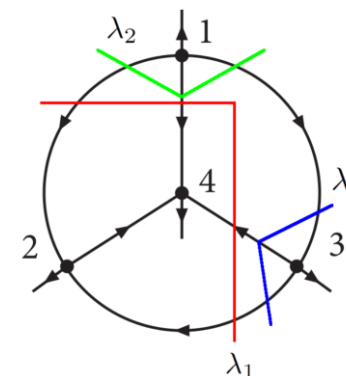
- $k=1$ for MLT, $k=2$ for NMLT and so on \longrightarrow **$k = \text{vertices} - 1$**
- A diagram of **order k** involves **products of k causal propagators**

3. Geometric compatibility rules: determine the entangled thresholds

- All the multi-edges are cut at least once**
- Causal propagators do no intersect**; i.e. they are associated to disjoint or extended partitions of the diagram
- All the multi-edges** involved in a causal threshold must carry **momenta flowing in the same direction** \longrightarrow Distinction λ^+ / λ^-

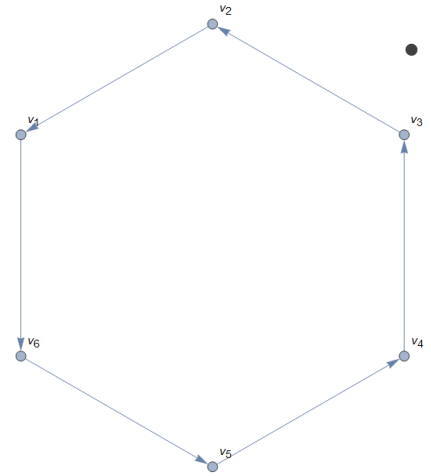


Presence of intersections



Incompatible causal flux

Sborlini (2021) arXiv:2102.05062 [hep-ph]



- **Example:** 1-loop hexagon (6 vertices, 1 external leg per vertex)

```
NumeroVertices = 6; Orden = NumeroVertices - 1;
Eq[1] = {q[1] - q[2] + p[1]};
Eq[2] = {q[2] - q[3] + p[2]};
Eq[3] = {q[3] - q[4] + p[3]};
Eq[4] = {q[4] - q[5] + p[4]};
Eq[5] = {q[5] - q[6] + p[5]};
Eq[6] = {q[6] - q[1] - (p[1] + p[2] + p[3] + p[4] + p[5])};
```

Input: vertex definition, i.e. labelling & momentum conservation

Generate causal propagators



Generate entangled thresholds (using selection rules)



Causal representation

```
tmpSALIDAbis = AbsoluteTiming[SALIDAbis = GeneralLambdas[MomentosBASICOS, MatrizVertices]];
Print["Tiempo empleado: ", tmpSALIDAbis[[1]]]
tmpSALIDA2bis = AbsoluteTiming[SALIDA2bis = GeneralListaLambdas[SALIDAbis, MomentosBASICOS]];
Print["Tiempo empleado: ", tmpSALIDA2bis[[1]]]
```

Numero de lambdas: 15
 Tiempo empleado: 0.0088112
 Numero total de lambdas signados: 30
 Tiempo empleado: 0.0018851

```
λm[1] → -p[1] + q[1] + q[2]
λm[2] → -p[2] + q[2] + q[3]
λm[3] → -p[3] + q[3] + q[4]
λm[4] → -p[4] + q[4] + q[5]
      + q[5] + q[6]
      - p[4] - p[5] + q[1] + q[6]
      p[2] + q[1] + q[3]
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      ] - p[4] + q[2] + q[5]
```

```
tmpSALIDA3a = AbsoluteTiming[
    SALIDA3a = GeneraCausalOLD[SALIDAbis,
        MomentosBASICOS, Orden];];
Print["Tiempo empleado: ", tmpSALIDA3a[[1]]]

++++ Armado de lista de combinaciones ++++
Construccion combinaciones - paso 1: 11
Construccion combinaciones - paso 2: 88
Construccion combinaciones - paso 3: 295
Construccion combinaciones - paso 4: 594
Construccion combinaciones - paso 5: 771

++++ Aplicacion de criterios de seleccion ++++
*Despues de Criterio 1: 345
*Despues de Criterio 2: 126

Numero total de lambdas signados: 30
Representacion causal obtenida: 252 terminos
Tiempo empleado: 1.54657
```

```
SetDirectory[NotebookDirectory[]];
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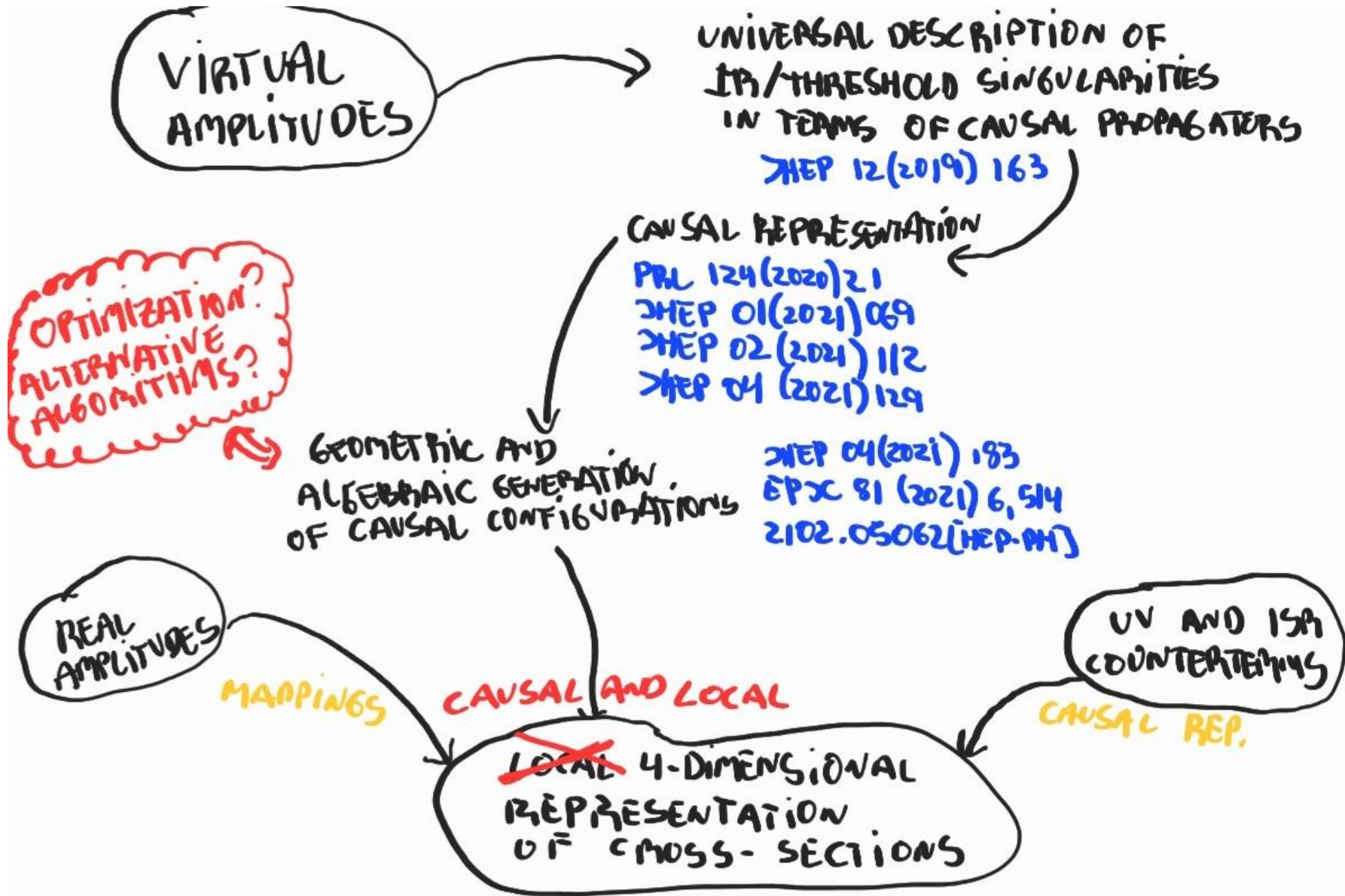
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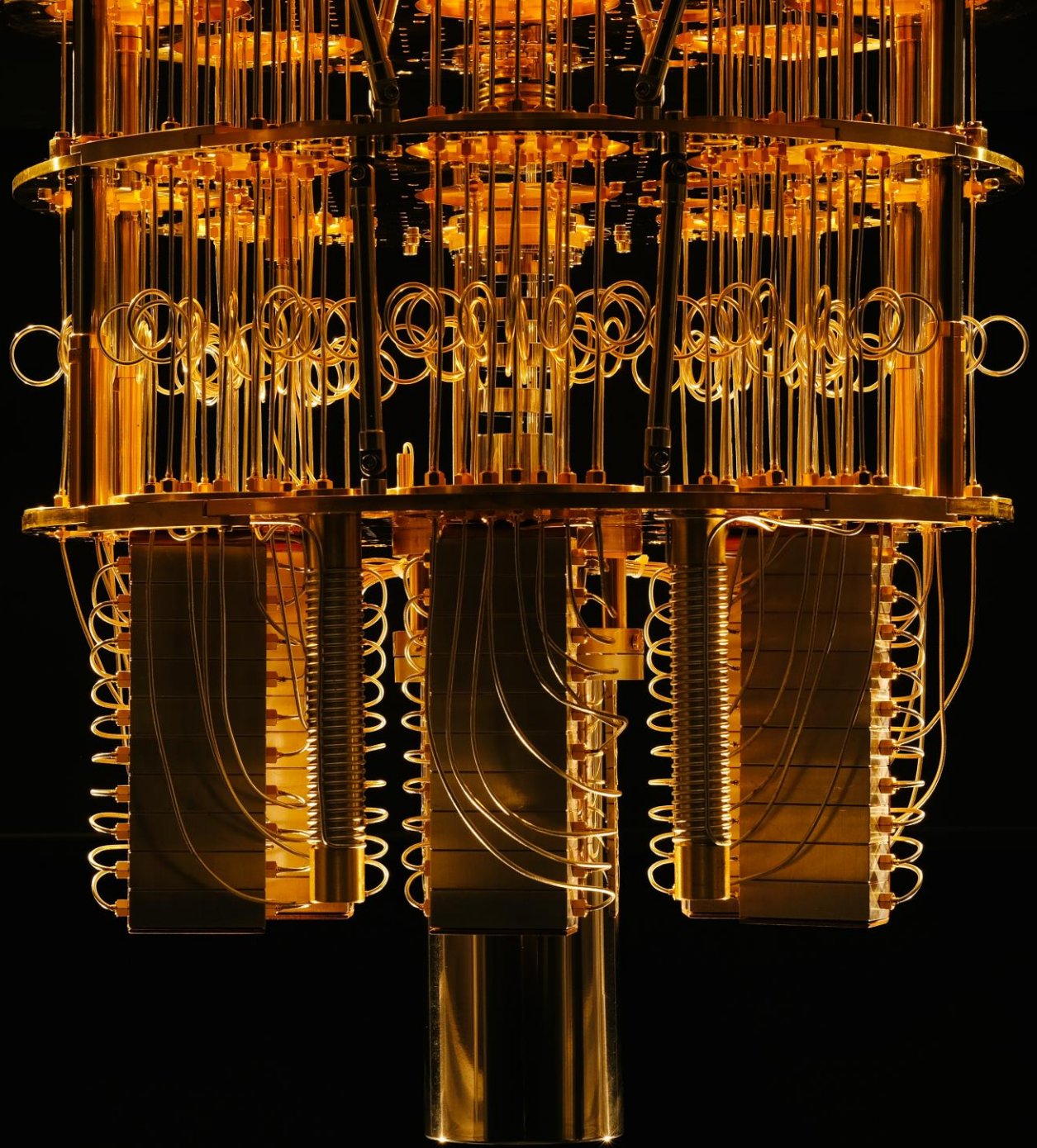
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Vertex matrix: Basic object to generate the causal representation

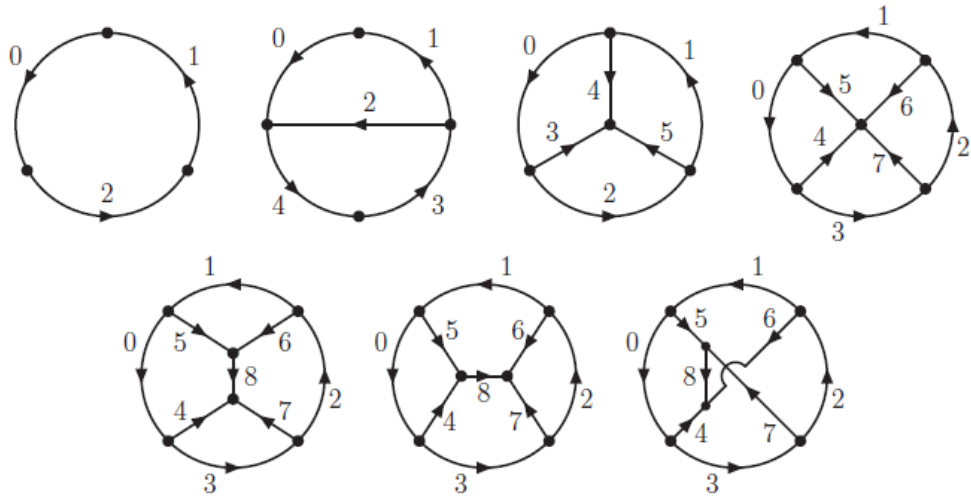
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(+ similar terms ...)





- New technology based on **Grover's algorithm** to identify **causal flux!**
- We assign **1 qubit to each edge**, and impose logical conditions to select configurations without closed cycles **→ Non-cyclical configurations = Causal flux**
- **Important:** “loop” refers to **integration variables**; “e-loop” to loops in the **graph**



Total number of orderings
($n = n^0$ of edges)

$$N = 2^n$$

$$\rightarrow |q\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} |x\rangle$$

Quantum superposition of N flux configurations

$$|q\rangle = \cos \theta |q_{\perp}\rangle + \sin \theta |w\rangle$$

$$\rightarrow |w\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \sum_{x \in w} |x\rangle$$

“Winning state” (causal flow)

$$\rightarrow |q_{\perp}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N-r}} \sum_{x \notin w} |x\rangle$$

States with non-causal flow

- Grover's algorithm **enhances** the probability of the **winning state** by using two operators:

$$U_w = \mathbf{I} - 2|w\rangle\langle w|$$

Oracle operator
(changes sign of winning states)

$$U_q = 2|q\rangle\langle q| - \mathbf{I}$$

Diffusion operator
(reflects with respect to initial state)

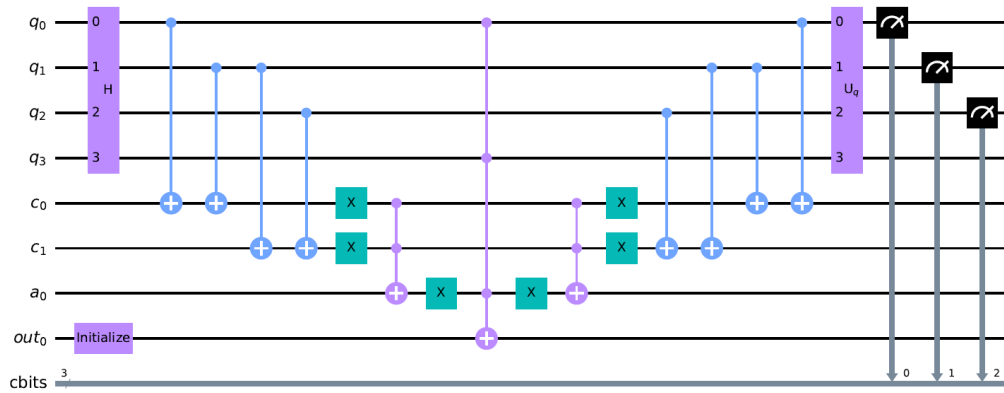
$$\rightarrow (U_q U_w)^t |q\rangle = \cos \theta_t |q_{\perp}\rangle + \sin \theta_t |w\rangle$$

with

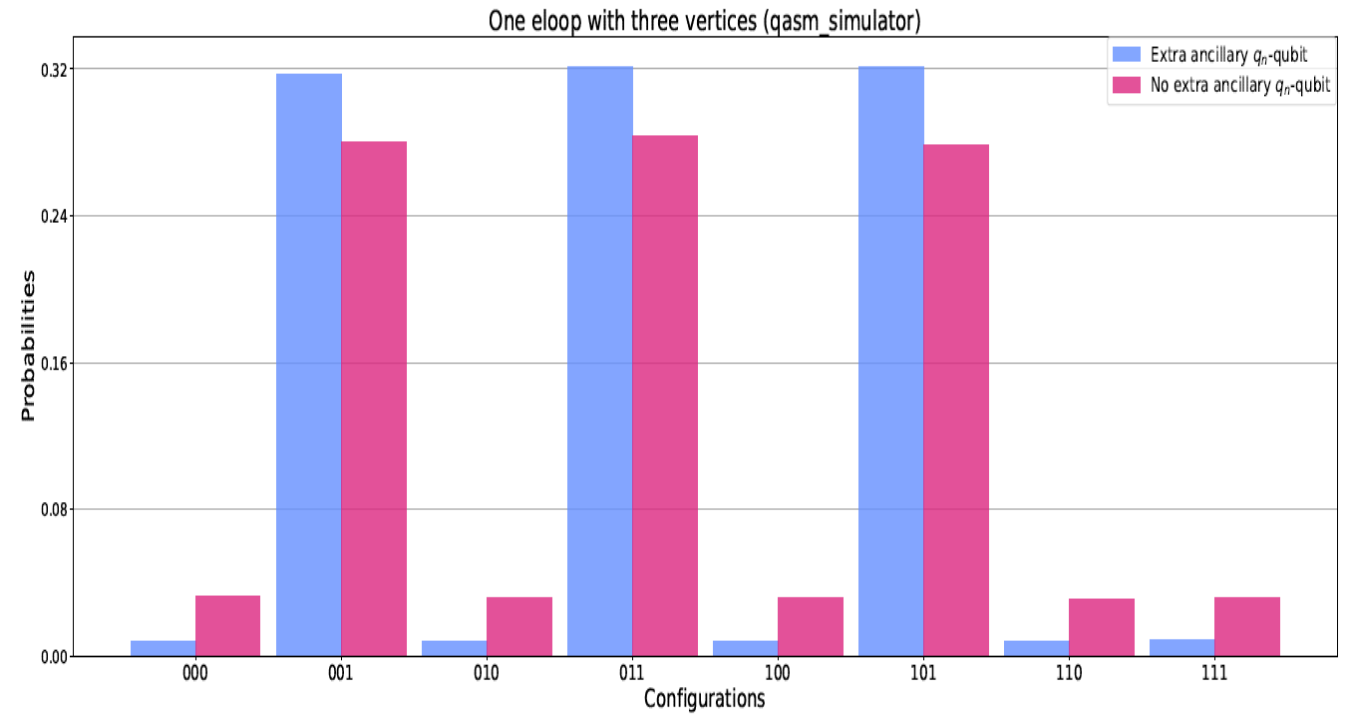
$$\sin^2 \theta_t \sim 1$$

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- Implemented with Qiskit and run in **IBM Q** (simulator & real QC)
- Several topologies studied!! **Enhanced performance** with extra-qubits

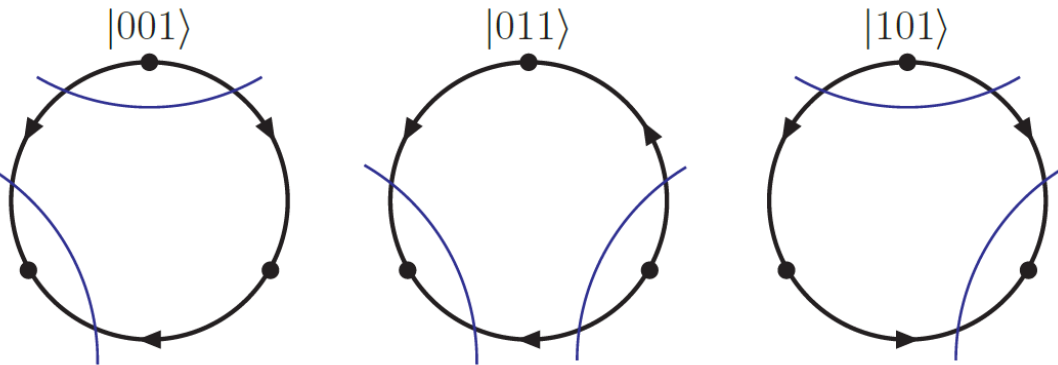


Quantum circuit



The selected configurations are exactly $|001\rangle$, $|011\rangle$, $|101\rangle$

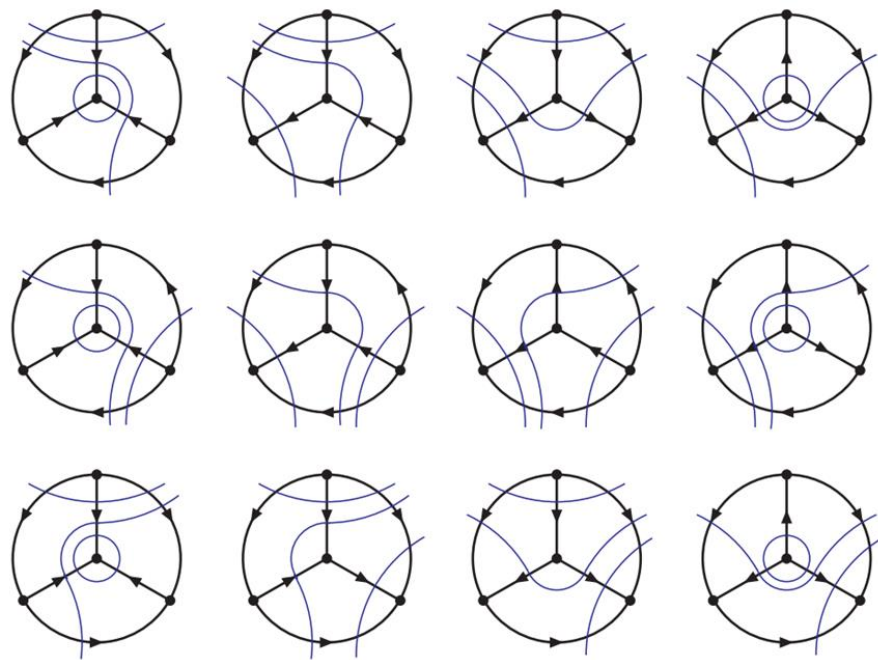
The algorithm identifies the causal flux, relying on geometrical concepts!



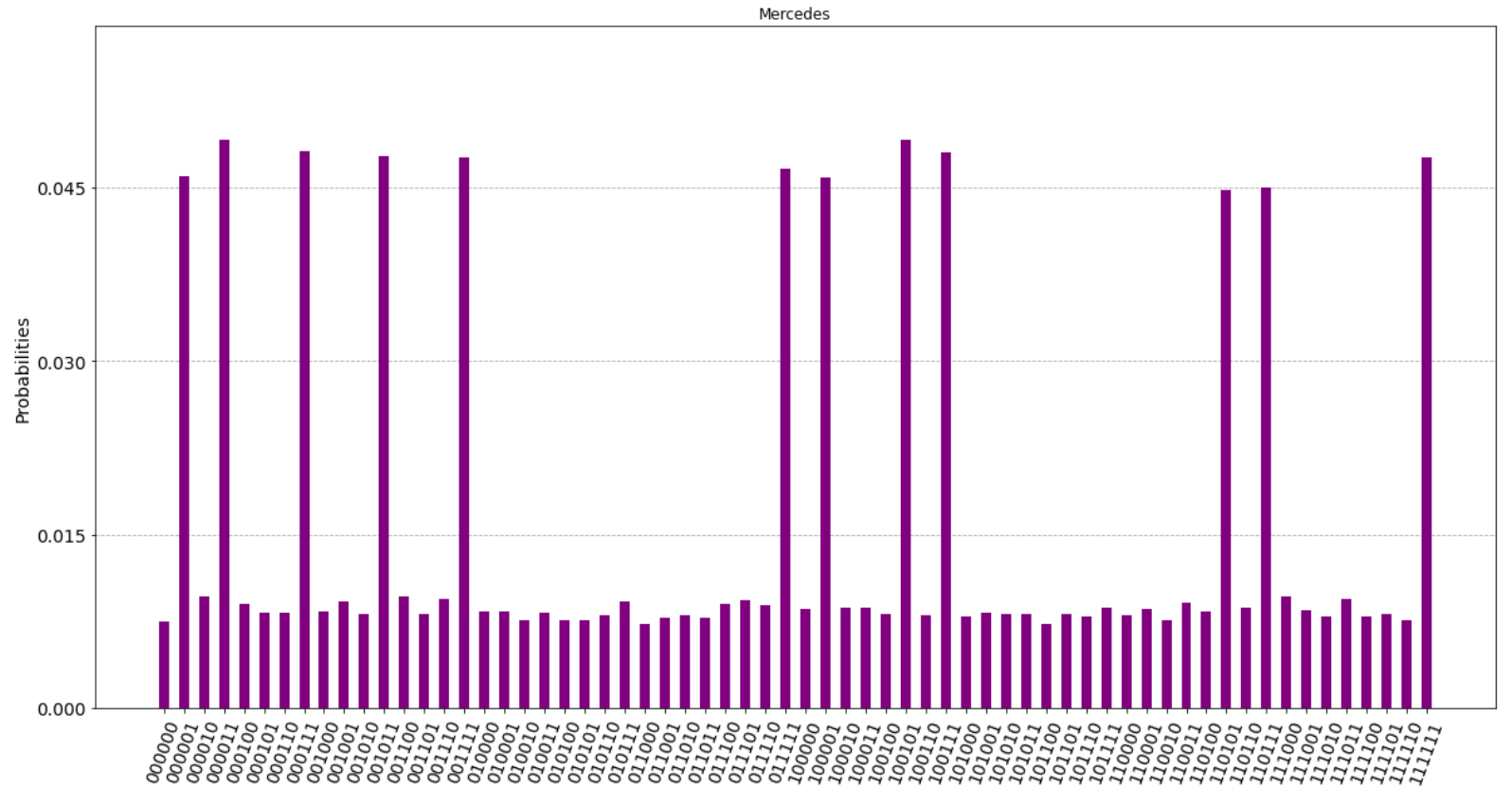
Causal configurations

**Preliminary results!!
To be published soon!!**

- **Optimized algorithm based on properties of the adjacency matrix**
- Reduced number of qubits (allows to implement more complicated topologies in current devices)
- **Successful identification of causal flux!!**



**Causal flux
(+ possible causal entangled thresholds)**



**Probability distribution
(all the 12 causal flux identified!!)**

Ramirez-Urbe et al (2021) in preparation

- Use LTD to cleverly rewrite Feynman integrals: **Minkowski to Euclidean**
- Achieve **local integrand representations free of IR/UV** singularities for physical observables
- **Novel LTD approach** based on **nested residues** leads to **manifestly causal representations** of multiloop scattering amplitudes!
- Very compact formulae **with strong physical/conceptual** motivation

- **Geometrical rules** select **entangled thresholds**. **Complete reconstruction** of multiloop amplitudes!
- **Quantum algorithms** to speed-up **causal flux selection**. *Exploring new disruptive tools for breaking the precision frontier!!*



THANKS!

**BACKUP
SLIDES.**

- Practical (mathematical) example:

$$f(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{(x_1^2 - y_1^2) \dots (x_L^2 - y_L^2) (z_{L+1}^2 - y_{L+1}^2)}$$

to calculate $I = \left(\prod_{i=1}^L \int \frac{dx_i}{2\pi i} \right) f(\vec{x})$

Complex coefficients $y_i \rightarrow \tilde{y}_i = \sqrt{y_i^2 - i0}$

$z_{L+1} = -\sum_{j=1}^L x_j + k_{L+1}$ Sum of integration variables (real)

- 1st step:** Apply C.R.T. in x_1 , by promoting $x_1 \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ (the other x 's remain real)

$$I = - \left(\prod_{i=2}^L \int \frac{dx_i}{2\pi i} \right) \sum_{x_{1,j} \in \text{Poles}[f, x_1]} \text{Res}(f(\vec{x}), \{x_1, x_{1,j}\}) \theta(-\text{Im}(x_{1,j}))$$

$\xrightarrow{\text{Orange Arrow}}$
 $I = - \left(\prod_{i=2}^L \int \frac{dx_i}{2\pi i} \right) \sum_{x_{1,j} \in \text{Poles}^{(+)}[f, x_1]} \text{Res}(f(\vec{x}), \{x_1, x_{1,j}\})$

$\text{Poles}^{(+)}[f, x_1] = \{y_1, y_{L+1} - k_{L+1} - x_2 - \dots - x_L\}$

Theta functions removed

Subset of poles with negative imaginary part
IMPORTANT! x's are real, y's are complex

- Practical (mathematical) example:

$$I = - \left(\prod_{i=2}^L \int \frac{dx_i}{2\pi i} \right) \sum_{x_{1,j} \in \text{Poles}^{(+)}[f, x_1]} \text{Res}(f(\vec{x}), \{x_1, x_{1,j}\})$$

$$\text{Poles}^{(+)}[f, x_1] = \{y_1, y_{L+1} - k_{L+1} - x_2 - \dots - x_L\}$$



$$\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, \text{Im}(x_1) < 0\}) = \frac{1}{2y_1 (x_2^2 - y_2^2) \dots (x_L^2 - y_L^2) ((y_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_L - k_{L+1})^2 - y_{L+1}^2)} + \frac{1}{2y_{L+1} ((y_{L+1} + k_{L+1} - x_2 - \dots - x_L)^2 - y_1^2) (x_2^2 - y_2^2) \dots (x_L^2 - y_L^2)}$$

Sum of the residues in x_1 (negative imaginary part)

- **2nd step:** Apply C.R.T. in x_2 , by promoting $x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ (the other x 's remain real)

$$\text{Res}(\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, \text{Im}(x_1) < 0\}), \{x_2, \text{Im}(x_2) < 0\})$$

$$= \sum_{x_{2,l} \in \text{Poles}[f, x_1, x_2]} \text{Res}(\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, \text{Im}(x_1) < 0\}), \{x_2, x_{2,l}\}) \theta(-\text{Im}(x_{2,l}))$$

Theta functions remain!

$$\text{Poles}[f, x_1; x_2] = \{\pm y_2, \pm y_1 + y_{L+1} - x_3 - \dots - x_L + k_{L+1}, \pm y_{L+1} - y_1 - x_3 - \dots - x_L + k_{L+1}\}$$

All the possible poles:
SIGN OF IMAGINARY PART + or - !!!

- Practical (mathematical) example:

$$\text{Res}(\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, \text{Im}(x_1) < 0\}), \{x_2, \text{Im}(x_2) < 0\}) = \sum_{x_{2,l} \in \text{Poles}[f, x_1, x_2]} \text{Res}(\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, \text{Im}(x_1) < 0\}), \{x_2, x_{2,l}\}) \theta(-\text{Im}(x_{2,l}))$$

- **3rd step:** Collect the different contributions according to $\theta(-\text{Im}(x_{2,l}))$:

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} &\text{Res}(\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, \text{Im}(x_1) < 0\}), \{x_2, y_2\}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4y_1 y_2 (x_3^2 - y_3^2) \dots (x_L^2 - y_L^2) ((y_1 + y_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_L - k_{L+1})^2 - y_{L+1}^2)} \\ &+ \frac{1}{4y_{L+1} y_2 ((y_{L+1} - y_2 - x_3 - \dots - x_L + k_{L+1})^2 - y_1^2) \dots (x_L^2 - y_L^2)} \\ &\text{Res}(\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, \text{Im}(x_1) < 0\}), \{x_2, y_1 + y_{L+1} - x_3 - \dots - x_L + k_{L+1}\}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4y_1 y_3 ((y_1 + y_{L+1} - x_3 - \dots - x_L + k_{L+1})^2 - y_2^2) (x_3^2 - y_3^2) \dots (x_L^2 - y_L^2)} \end{aligned} \right.$$

Theta functions are trivially 1: y's have negative imaginary part, x's are real

Only sums of y's!!!
ALIGNED CONTRIBUTIONS

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} &[\text{Res}(\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, y_1\}), \{x_2, y_{L+1} - y_1 - x_3 - \dots - x_L + k_{L+1}\}) \\ &+ \text{Res}(\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, y_{L+1} - x_2 - \dots - x_L + k_{L+1}\}), \\ &\quad \{x_2, y_{L+1} - y_1 - x_3 - \dots - x_L + k_{L+1}\})] \theta(\text{Im}(y_1 - y_{L+1})) \end{aligned} \right.$$

Different-sign combinations of y's:
NON-TRIVIAL THETA!

DISPLACED POLES: VANISH!!

- *Theorem:* Given a generic* rational function
$$F(x_i, x_j) = \frac{P(x_i, x_j)}{((x_i - a_i)^2 - y_i^2)^{\gamma_i} ((x_i + x_j - a_{ij})^2 - y_k^2)^{\gamma_k}}$$

then:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Res}(\text{Res}(F(x_i, x_j), \{x_i, y_i + a_i\}), \{x_j, y_k - y_i + a_{ij} - a_i\}) \\ &= -\text{Res}(\text{Res}(F(x_i, x_j), \{x_i, y_k - x_j + a_{ij}\}), \{x_j, y_k - y_i + a_{ij} - a_i\}) \end{aligned}$$

- **Physical consequences:**

1. **Displaced poles** are associated to **un-physical** contributions:

“they can not be mapped into cuts”

2. After applying C.R.T. to all the loop momenta and **summing over the physical poles:**

“only same-sign combinations of $q_{k,0}^{(+)}$ remain”

Cancellation of
displaced poles

“Aligned contributions”
→

Causal propagators

- Theorem:* Given a generic* rational function $F(x_i, x_j) = \frac{P(x_i, x_j)}{((x_i - a_i)^2 - y_i^2)^{\gamma_i} ((x_i + x_j - a_{ij})^2 - y_k^2)^{\gamma_k}}$

then:
$$\text{Res}(\text{Res}(F(x_i, x_j), \{x_i, y_i + a_i\}), \{x_j, y_k - y_i + a_{ij} - a_i\})$$

$$= -\text{Res}(\text{Res}(F(x_i, x_j), \{x_i, y_k - x_j + a_{ij}\}), \{x_j, y_k - y_i + a_{ij} - a_i\})$$

- Mathematical consequences:**

1. In each iteration of C.R.T., contributions with **different sign combinations of y's vanish**
2. Thus, after iterating over all integration variables, **only same-sign combinations of y's remain**

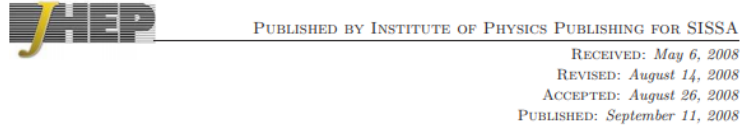
Example:
 $L = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Res}(\text{Res}(f, \{x_1, \text{Im}(x_1) < 0\}), \{x_2, \text{Im}(x_2) < 0\}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4y_1y_2((y_1 + y_2 - k_3)^2 - y_3^2)} + \frac{1}{4y_2y_3((y_3 + y_1 + k_3)^2 - y_2^2)} \\ &+ \frac{1}{4y_1y_3((y_3 - y_2 + k_3)^2 - y_1^2)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{8y_1y_2y_3} \left(\frac{1}{\boxed{y_1 + y_2 + y_3} - k_3} + \frac{1}{\boxed{y_1 + y_2 + y_3} + k_3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Connection to QFT

$$\begin{aligned} y_i & \longleftrightarrow q_{i,0}^{(+)} = \sqrt{\mathbf{q}_i^2 + m_i^2 - i0} \\ x_i & \longleftrightarrow q_{i,0} \\ a_i & \longleftrightarrow \{k_{m,0}\} \end{aligned}$$

- Foundational paper: a new way to decompose loop amplitudes



From loops to trees by-passing Feynman's theorem

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ABSTRACT: We derive a duality relation between one-loop integrals and phase-space integrals emerging from them through single cuts. The duality relation is realized by a modification of the customary $+i0$ prescription of the Feynman propagators. The new prescription regularizing the propagators, which we write in a Lorentz covariant form, compensates for the absence of multiple-cut contributions that appear in the Feynman Tree Theorem. The duality relation can be applied to generic one-loop quantities in any relativistic, local and unitary field theories. We discuss in detail the duality that relates one-loop and tree-level Green's functions. We comment on applications to the analytical calculation of one-loop scattering amplitudes, and to the numerical evaluation of cross-sections at next-to-leading order.

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- Application of Cauchy theorem **taking care of Feynman prescription**: leads to a **new prescription!**

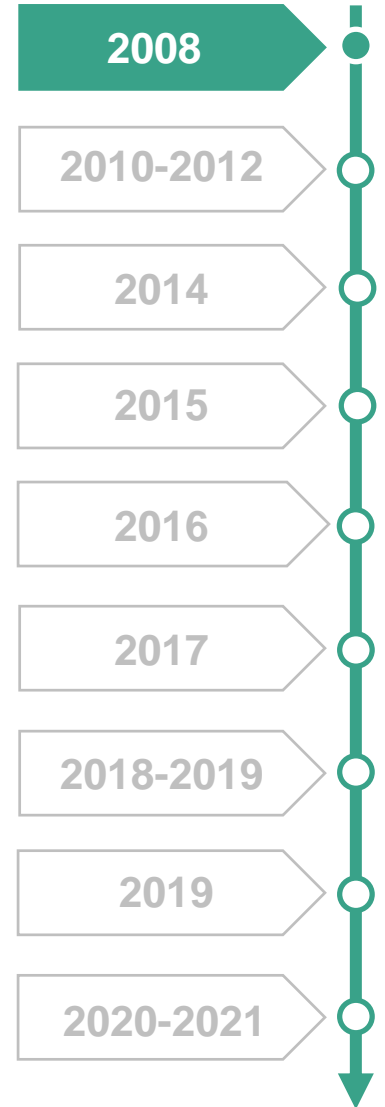
Feynman integral

$$L^{(1)}(p_1, \dots, p_N) = \int_{\ell} \prod_{i=1}^N G_F(q_i) = \int_{\ell} \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{q_i^2 - m_i^2 + i0}$$



$$L^{(1)}(p_1, \dots, p_N) = - \sum_{i=1}^N \int_{\ell} \tilde{\delta}(q_i) \prod_{j=1, j \neq i}^N G_D(q_i; q_j)$$

Dual integral



- Extension to more general amplitudes, including possible local UV counter-terms
- **Two-loop formula (2010)**

$$L^{(2)}(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N) = \int_{\ell_1} \int_{\ell_2} \{-G_D(\alpha_1) G_F(\alpha_2) G_D(\alpha_3) + G_D(\alpha_1) G_D(\alpha_2 \cup \alpha_3) + G_D(\alpha_3) G_D(-\alpha_1 \cup \alpha_2)\}$$

Uses only double-cuts!

- **Formalism for dealing with higher-order poles (2012)**

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A tree-loop duality relation at two loops and beyond

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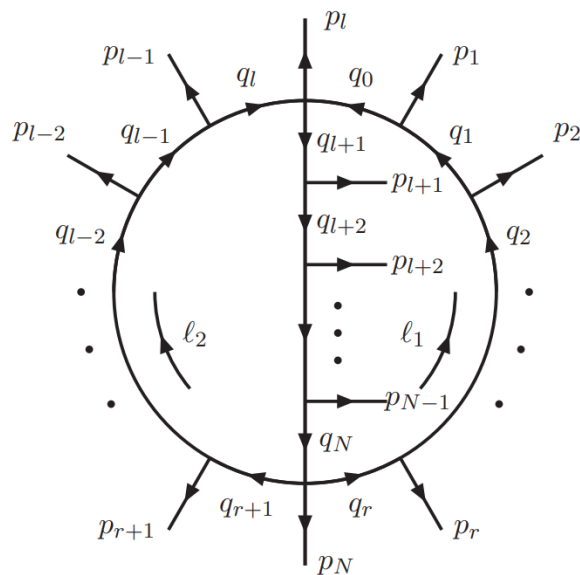
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ABSTRACT: The duality relation between one-loop integrals and phase-space integrals, developed in a previous work, is extended to higher-order loops. The duality relation is realized by a modification of the customary $+i0$ prescription of the Feynman propagators, which compensates for the absence of the multiple-cut contributions that appear in the Feynman tree theorem. We rederive the duality theorem at one-loop order in a form that is more suitable for its iterative extension to higher-loop orders. We explicitly show its application to two- and three-loop scalar master integrals, and we discuss the structure of the occurring cuts and the ensuing results in detail.

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Tree-loop duality relation beyond single poles

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ABSTRACT: We develop the Tree-Loop Duality Relation for two- and three-loop integrals with multiple identical propagators (multiple poles). This is the extension of the Duality Relation for single poles and multi-loop integrals derived in previous publications. We prove a generalization of the formula for single poles to multiple poles and we develop a strategy for dealing with higher-order pole integrals by reducing them to single pole integrals using Integration By Parts.

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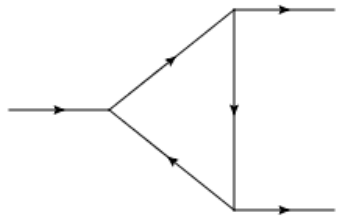
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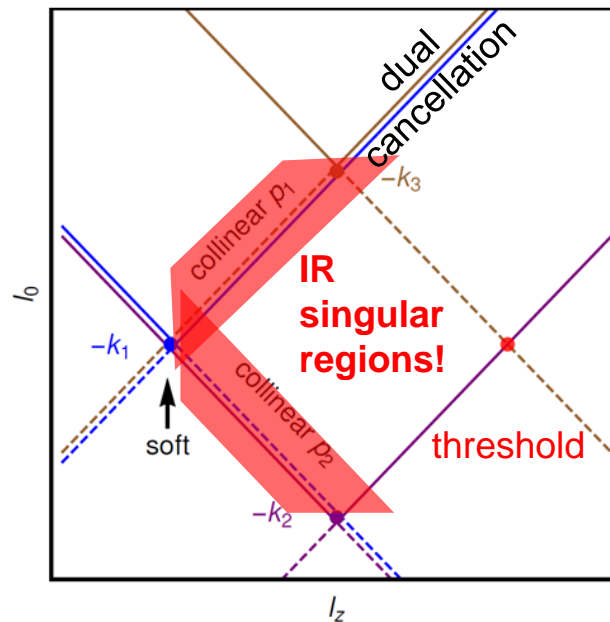
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- Analysis of singular structures of loop amplitudes in LTD representation
- **First clues for real-dual integrand level combination**



Analysis of singularities in triangles



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On the singular behaviour of scattering amplitudes in quantum field theory

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ABSTRACT: We analyse the singular behaviour of one-loop integrals and scattering amplitudes in the framework of the loop-tree duality approach. We show that there is a partial cancellation of singularities at the loop integrand level among the different components of the corresponding dual representation that can be interpreted in terms of causality. The remaining threshold and infrared singularities are restricted to a finite region of the loop momentum space, which is of the size of the external momenta and can be mapped to the phase-space of real corrections to cancel the soft and collinear divergences.

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- **Forward (backward) on-shell hyperboloids associated with positive (negative) energy solutions**
- *Forward-backward intersections are physical divergences; FF cancel among them*

- Towards the computation of physical observables in four space-time dimensions
- **Tested on toy scalar model; local cancellation of IR divergences**



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Towards gauge theories in four dimensions

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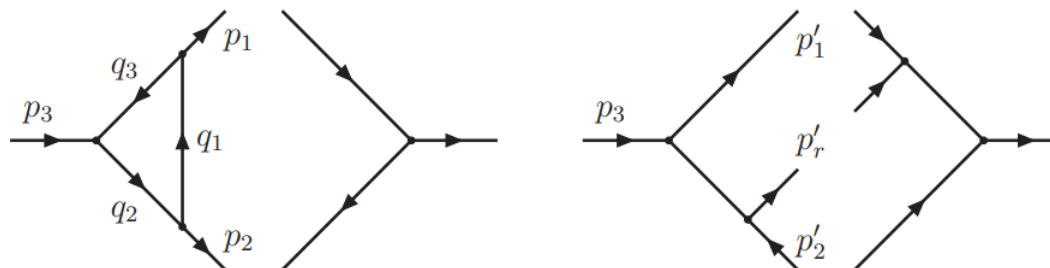
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ABSTRACT: The abundance of infrared singularities in gauge theories due to unresolved emission of massless particles (soft and collinear) represents the main difficulty in perturbative calculations. They are typically regularized in dimensional regularization, and their subtraction is usually achieved independently for virtual and real corrections. In this paper, we introduce a new method based on the loop-tree duality (LTD) theorem to accomplish the summation over degenerate infrared states directly at the integrand level such that the cancellation of the infrared divergences is achieved simultaneously, and apply it to reference examples as a proof of concept. Ultraviolet divergences, which are the consequence of the point-like nature of the theory, are also reinterpreted physically in this framework. The proposed method opens the intriguing possibility of carrying out purely four-dimensional implementations of higher-order perturbative calculations at next-to-leading order (NLO) and beyond free of soft and final-state collinear subtractions.

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- **Introduction of real-dual mappings, to achieve a local cancellation of IR singularities!**

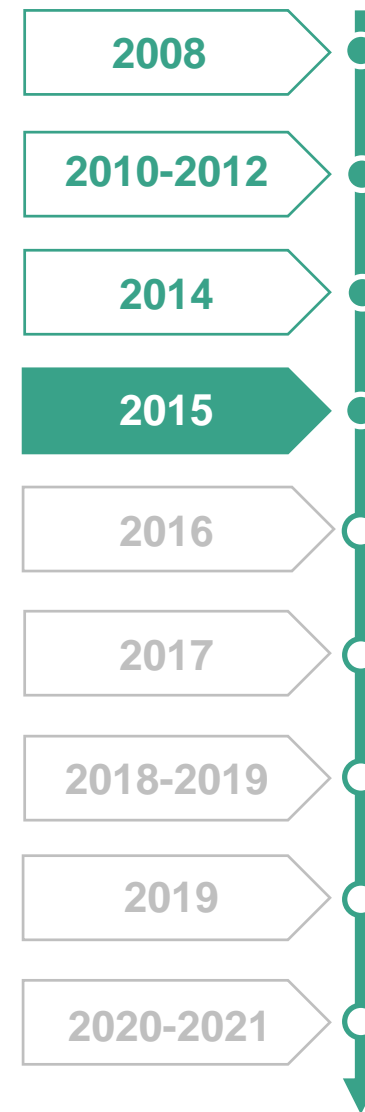
$$p_r'^{\mu} = q_1^{\mu}, \quad p_1'^{\mu} = -q_3^{\mu} + \alpha_1 p_2^{\mu} = p_1^{\mu} - q_1^{\mu} + \alpha_1 p_2^{\mu},$$

$$p_2'^{\mu} = (1 - \alpha_1) p_2^{\mu}, \quad \alpha_1 = \frac{q_3^2}{2q_3 \cdot p_2},$$

- Purely four-dimensional representation of cross-sections
- **First study of dual UV local counter-terms:**

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

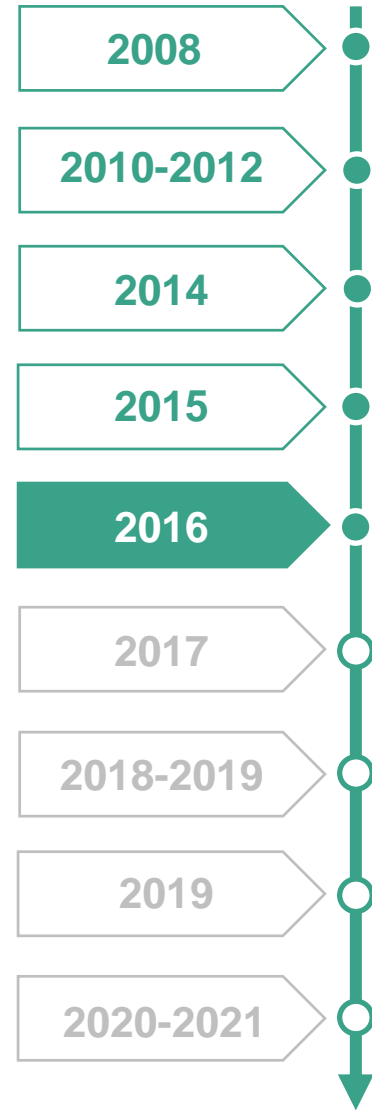
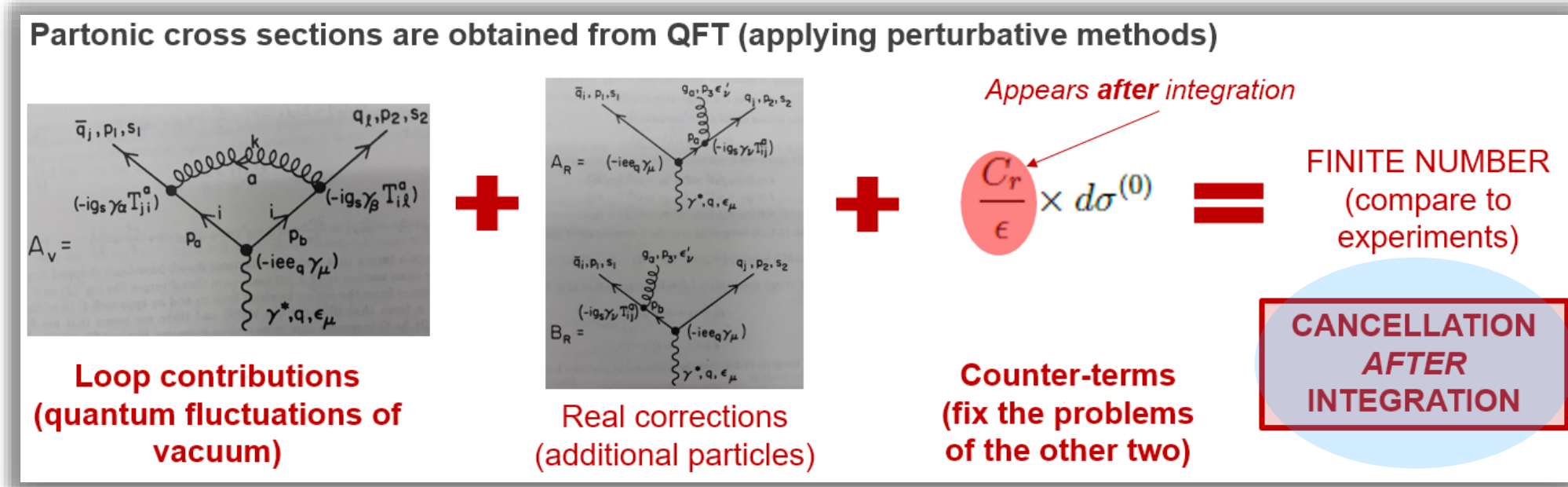
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- Towards the computation of physical observables in four space-time dimensions
- **Tested on toy scalar model; local cancellation of IR divergences**

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- **Integrand-level** cancellation of IR and UV singularities!
- **No need of integrated counter-terms**
- Purely four-dimensional integration (**no DREG!**)

FIRST APPROACH TO LOCAL REPRESENTATIONS!!

- Development of the **Four Dimensional Unsubtraction (FDU)** framework @ NLO
- **Ingredients for local cancellation of IR singularities**
- Smooth numerical implementation (**massive to massless transition**)

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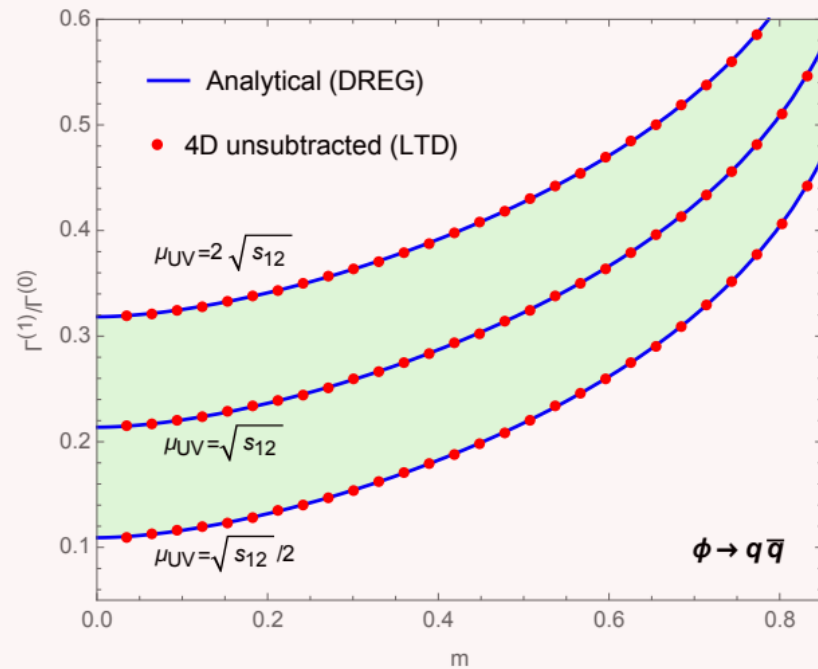
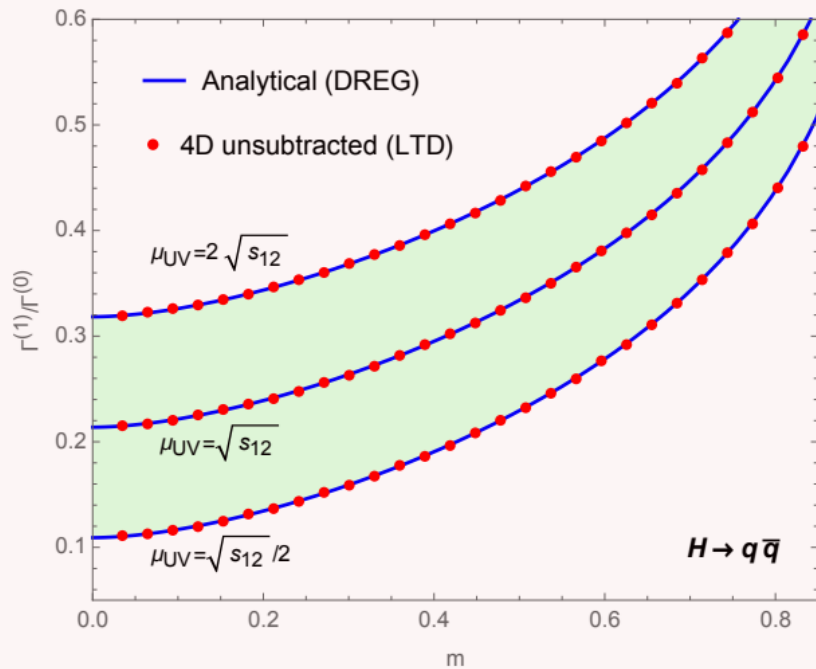
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- Integrand-level cancellation of IR and UV singularities, for physical processes!
- **No need of integrated counter-terms (up to NLO)**
- Purely four-dimensional integration (**no DREG!**)

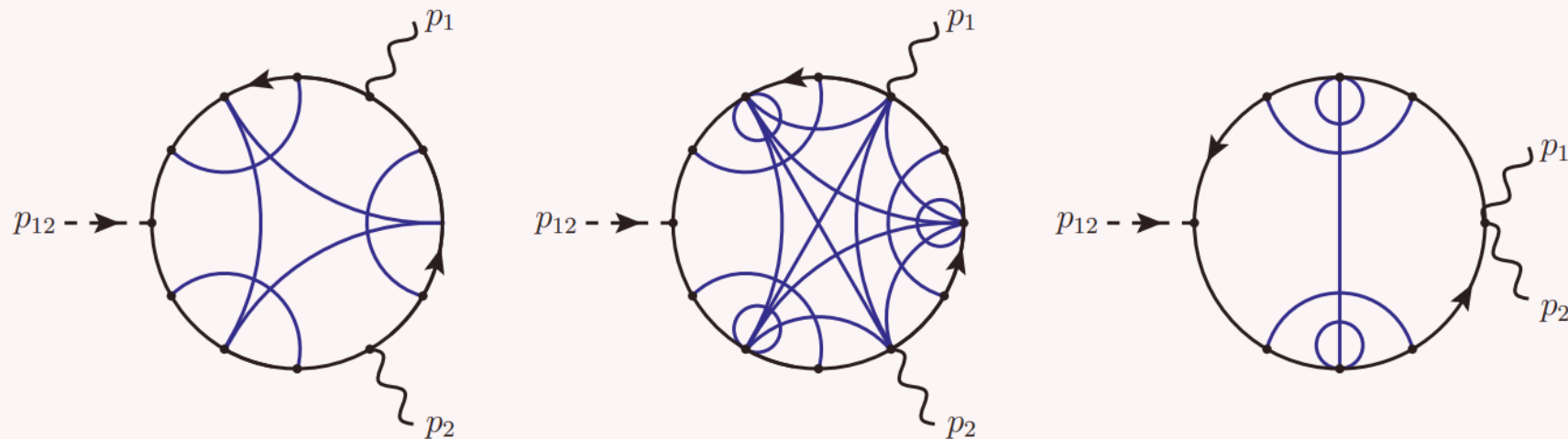


LOCALITY!!

More studies required!

- Full analysis of Higgs decays at two-loop (inclusion of EW effects)
- **First realization of local UV counter-terms at two-loop level**

Locality explored at two-loops... what's next?



- **New singular structures arise beyond one-loop**
- More diagrams, more variables... starts to be cumbersome!
- **Explore novel representations of the integrands**
- Point towards fully local cancellations of IR/UV singularities

UNDERSTANDING SINGULARITIES IS CRUCIAL!! EXPLORE THEM!!

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Open Loop Amplitudes and Causality to All Orders and Powers from the Loop-Tree Duality

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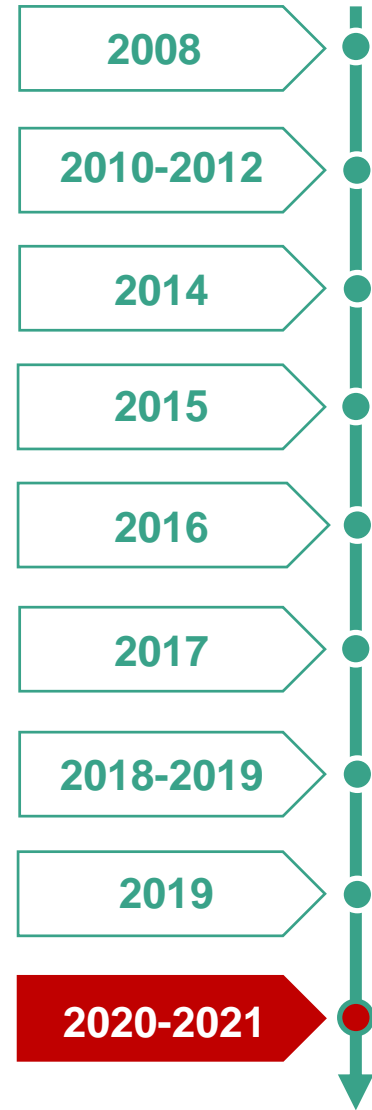
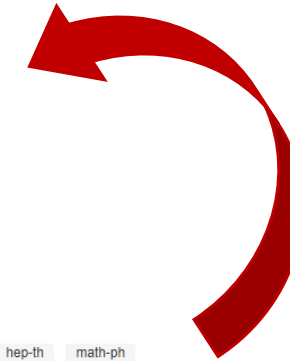
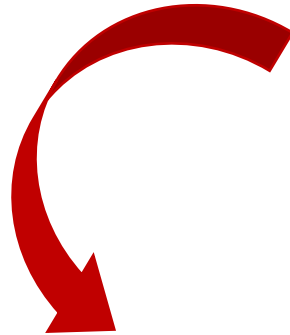
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Multiloop scattering amplitudes describing the quantum fluctuations at high-energy scattering processes are the main bottleneck in perturbative quantum field theory. The loop-tree duality is a novel method aimed at overcoming this bottleneck by opening the loop amplitudes into trees and combining them at integrand level with the real-emission matrix elements. In this Letter, we generalize the loop-tree duality to all orders in the perturbative expansion by using the complex Lorentz-covariant prescription of the original one-loop formulation. We introduce a series of multiloop topologies with arbitrary internal configurations and derive very compact and factorizable expressions of their open-to-trees representation in the loop-tree duality formalism. Furthermore, these expressions are entirely independent at integrand level of the initial assignments of momentum flows in the Feynman representation and remarkably free of noncausal singularities. These properties, that we conjecture to hold to other topologies at all orders, provide integrand representations of scattering amplitudes that exhibit manifest causal singular structures and better numerical stability than in other representations.

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Causal representation of multi-loop amplitudes within the loop-tree duality

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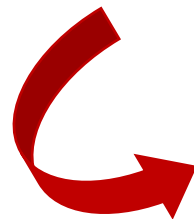
Abstract: The numerical evaluation of multi-loop scattering amplitudes in the Feynman representation usually requires to deal with both physical (causal) and unphysical (non-causal) singularities. The loop-tree duality (LTD) offers a powerful framework to easily characterise and distinguish these two types of singularities, and then simplify analytically the underlying expressions. In this paper, we work exp... [More](#)

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Universal opening of four-loop scattering amplitudes to trees

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Abstract: The perturbative approach to quantum field theories has made it possible to obtain incredibly accurate theoretical predictions in high-energy physics. Although various techniques have been developed to boost the efficiency of these calculations, some ingredients remain specially challenging. This is the case of multiloop scattering amplitudes that constitute a hard bottleneck to solve. In this Let... [More](#)

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Mathematical properties of nested residues and their application to multi-loop scattering amplitudes

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Abstract: The computation of multi-loop multi-leg scattering amplitudes plays a key role to improve the precision of theoretical predictions for particle physics at high-energy colliders. In this work, we focus on the mathematical properties of the novel integrand-level representation of Feynman integrals, which is based on the Loop-Tree Duality (LTD). We explore the behaviour of the multi-loop iterated res... [More](#)

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