

Quantum correction to a new wilson-line based action for gluodynamics

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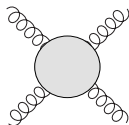
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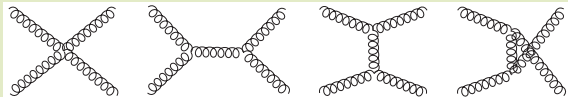
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Scattering Amplitudes : Feynman Diagram Technique

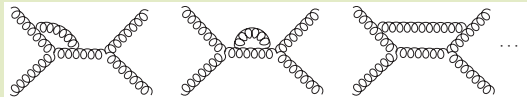
Example : Four point amplitude.



Tree Amplitude



Loop Amplitude



Problem with Feynman diagram technique.

The number of Feynman diagrams contributing to the amplitude of a gluon tree level ($g + g \rightarrow ng$) grows factorially.

n	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
# of diagrams	4	25	220	2485	34300	559405	10525900

Cachazo-Svrcek-Witten (CSW) Method

MHV Amplitudes

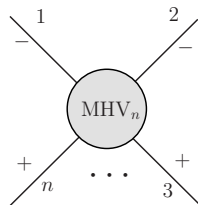
Maximally Helicity Violating

$$A_n^{tree}(\dots, j^-, \dots, l^-, \dots) = \frac{\langle jl \rangle^4}{\langle 12 \rangle \dots \langle n1 \rangle}.$$

$$\langle ij \rangle \equiv \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} (\lambda_i)_\alpha (\lambda_j)_\beta,$$

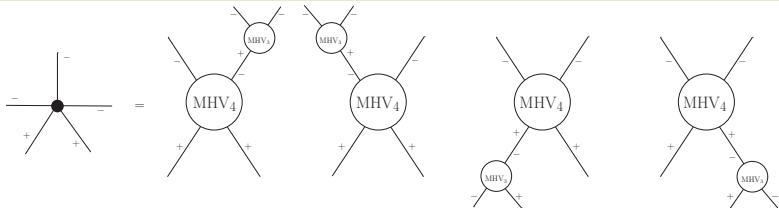
$$[ij] \equiv \epsilon^{\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}} (\tilde{\lambda}_i)_{\dot{\alpha}} (\tilde{\lambda}_j)_{\dot{\beta}}$$

Building blocks



5 point (---++) in CSW method

[F. Cachazo, P. Svrcek, E. Witten, 2004]



Lagrangian origin of MHV rules.

[P. Mansfield, 2006]

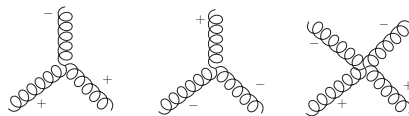
Basic Idea

$$S_{Y-M}^{(LC)} [A^+, A^-] = \left(\mathcal{L}_{+-}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{++-}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{+--}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{+++}^{(LC)} \right).$$

- Only plus-helicity and minus-helicity gluon fields.

$$\{A^+, A^-\} \rightarrow \{B^+, B^-\}$$

Interaction vertices



Transformation

$$\mathcal{L}_{+-}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{++-}^{(LC)} \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{+-}^{(LC)}$$

MHV action : Action with MHV vertices

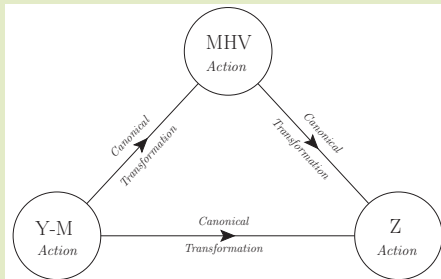
$$S_{Y-M}^{(LC)} [B^+, B^-] = \left(\mathcal{L}_{+-}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{--+}^{(LC)} + \dots + \mathcal{L}_{-+ \dots +}^{(LC)} + \dots \right)$$

New action : Z-field action

$$\mathcal{L}_{+-}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{--+}^{(LC)} \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{+-}^{(LC)}$$

[H. Kakkad, P. Kotko, A. Stasto, 2021]- arXiv :2102.11371

Z Action



Solution of field transformation

At the poster !

Structure of the new action

$$S_{Y-M}^{(LC)} [Z^+, Z^-] = \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \mathcal{L}_{-+}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{-++}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{-+++}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{-++++}^{(LC)} + \dots \\ & + \mathcal{L}_{-----+}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{-----++}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{-----+++}^{(LC)} + \dots \\ & \vdots \\ & + \mathcal{L}_{-----\dots+}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{-----\dots++}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{-----\dots+++}^{(LC)} + \dots \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Important features

- There are no three point interaction vertices.
- At the classical level there are no all-plus, all-minus, as well as $(- + \dots +)$, $(- \dots - +)$ vertices.
- There are MHV vertices, $(- - + \dots +)$, corresponding to MHV amplitudes in the on-shell limit.
- There are $\overline{\text{MHV}}$ vertices, $(- \dots - ++)$, corresponding to $\overline{\text{MHV}}$ amplitudes in the on-shell limit.
- All vertices have the form which can be easily calculated.

Amplitudes Overview

# legs	helicity	# diagrams
4 point	MHV	1
	$\overline{\text{MHV}}$	1
5 point	MHV	1
	$\overline{\text{MHV}}$	1
6 point	MHV	1
	NMHV	3
	$\overline{\text{MHV}}$	1
7 point	MHV	1
	NMHV	5
	NNMHV	5
	$\overline{\text{MHV}}$	1
8 point	MHV	1
	NMHV	7
	NNMHV	13
	NNNMHV	7
	$\overline{\text{MHV}}$	1

Delannoy Numbers

The Delannoy numbers $D(a,b)$ are the number of lattice paths from $(0,0)$ to (b,a) in which only east $(1, 0)$, north $(0, 1)$, and northeast $(1, 1)$ steps are allowed.

$n \backslash m$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	3	5	7	9	11	13	15	17
2	1	5	13	25	41	61	85	113	145
3	1	7	25	63	129	231	377	575	833
4	1	9	41	129	321	681	1289	2241	3649
5	1	11	61	231	681	1683	3653	7183	13073
6	1	13	85	377	1289	3653	8989	19825	40081
7	1	15	113	575	2241	7183	19825	48639	108545
8	1	17	145	833	3649	13073	40081	108545	265729
9	1	19	181	1159	5641	22363	75517	224143	598417

Figure – The Delannoy numbers. $m + 2$ and $n + 2$ represents the total number of positive and negative helicities in a $m + n + 4$ point split helicity tree amplitude.

Immediate issues

- Missing terms in the action.
- One-loop (+ + ... +) amplitudes cannot be calculated within the Z-field action, since every vertex has at least two + and two - helicity fields.

The technique of *Effective Action* to systematically develop loop amplitudes.

One-Loop Effective action

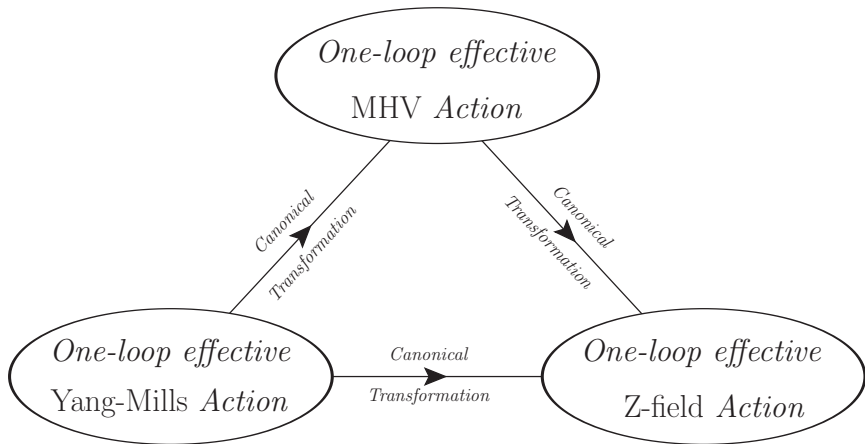
$$Z_{\text{YM}}[J] = \int [dA] e^{i(S_{\text{YM}}[A] + \int d^4x \text{Tr} \hat{J}_i(x) \hat{A}^i(x))},$$

- Expand the action, up to second order in fields, around the classical solution.
- The higher order terms are necessary for corrections beyond one loop.
- The linear term vanishes due to the classical equations of motion, whereas the integration over the quadratic term gives

$$Z_{\text{YM}}[J] \approx \exp \left\{ iS_{\text{YM}}[A_c] + i \int d^4x \text{Tr} \hat{J}_i(x) \hat{A}_c^i(x) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \ln \left(\frac{\delta^2 S_{\text{YM}}[A_c]}{\delta \hat{A}^i(x) \delta \hat{A}^i(y)} \right) \right\}$$

Quantum Corrections - Loops in the MHV action

[H. Kakkad, P. Kotko, A. Stasto]- arXiv :2208.11000

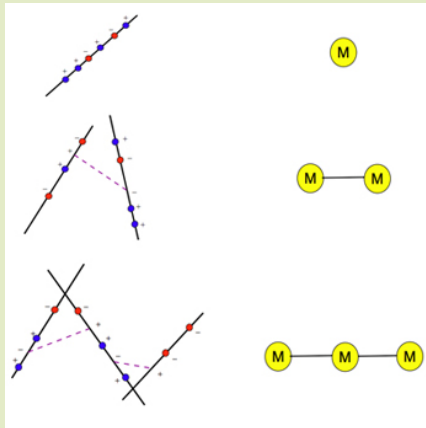


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Back-up

Geometrical Origin



Correspondence

Lines in Twistor space \iff Points in Minkowski Space

Yang-Mills action

$$S_{Y-M} = -\frac{1}{4} \int d^4x \operatorname{Tr} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

- Two light like four-vectors : $\eta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1, 0, 0, -1)$ $\tilde{\eta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1, 0, 0, 1)$
- Two complex transverse four-vectors : $\varepsilon_{\perp}^{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0, 1, \pm i, 0)$
- The components of a four-vector v

$$v^+ = v \cdot \eta \quad v^- = v \cdot \tilde{\eta} \quad v^{\bullet} = v \cdot \varepsilon_{\perp}^+ \quad v^{\star} = v \cdot \varepsilon_{\perp}^-$$

- Light-cone gauge : $A \cdot \eta = A^+ = 0$.
- Action becomes quadratic in A^- , can be integrated out.

Only gluon scattering amplitudes.

Yang-Mills action

$$S_{Y-M}^{(LC)} [A^\bullet, A^*] = \int dx^+ \left(\mathcal{L}_{+-}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{++-}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{+--}^{(LC)} + \mathcal{L}_{+++}^{(LC)} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{+-}^{(LC)} [A^\bullet, A^*] = - \int d^3\mathbf{x} \text{Tr} \hat{A}^\bullet \square \hat{A}^*$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{++-}^{(LC)} [A^\bullet, A^*] = -2ig' \int d^3\mathbf{x} \text{Tr} \gamma_x \hat{A}^\bullet [\partial_- \hat{A}^*, \hat{A}^\bullet]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{+--}^{(LC)} [A^\bullet, A^*] = -2ig' \int d^3\mathbf{x} \text{Tr} \bar{\gamma}_x \hat{A}^* [\partial_- \hat{A}^\bullet, \hat{A}^*]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{+++}^{(LC)} [A^\bullet, A^*] = -g^2 \int d^3\mathbf{x} \text{Tr} [\partial_- \hat{A}^\bullet, \hat{A}^*] \partial_-^{-2} [\partial_- \hat{A}^*, \hat{A}^\bullet]$$

$$\gamma_x = \partial_-^{-1} \partial_\bullet, \quad \bar{\gamma}_x = \partial_-^{-1} \partial_*, \quad g' = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}$$

This form accommodates the so-called Coulomb instantaneous interactions.

Gluonic scattering amplitudes

- Develop the Feynman rules from the action.
- Sum of all contributing diagrams built from the Feynman rules.

Color Decomposition

[F.A. Berends and W.T. Giele, 1987]; [M. Mangano, S. Parke and Z. Xu, 1988]; [M. Mangano, 1988]; [Z. Bern and D.A. Kosower, 1991]

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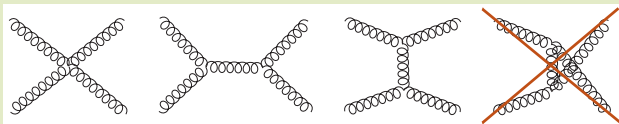
- Technique to disentangle the color and kinematical degrees of freedom in a gauge theory scattering amplitude.
- Lie Algebra structure constants in terms of generators T^a .

$$\tilde{f}^{abc} \equiv i\sqrt{2}f^{abc} = \text{Tr}(T^a T^b T^c) - \text{Tr}(T^a T^c T^b), \text{Tr}(T^a T^b) = \delta^{ab}$$

- Fierz Identity systematically combines them into a single trace.
- n-gluon tree amplitudes :

$$\mathcal{A}_n^{\text{tree}}(\{k_i, h_i, a_i\}) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n/Z_n} \text{Tr}(T^{a_{\sigma(1)}} \dots T^{a_{\sigma(n)}}) A_n^{\text{tree}}(\sigma(1^{h_1}), \dots, \sigma(n^{h_n}))$$

Color ordered : Planar graphs with no leg-crossings allowed



[P. De Causmaecker et.al. 82]; [F. A. Berends et. al. 82]; [R. Kleiss et. al. 85]; [Z. Xu et. al. 87]; [R. Gastmans et. al. 90]

Helicity Spinors

- Uniform description of the on-shell degrees of freedom (momentum and polarization).
- Spinors from massless Dirac equation.
- Kinematical DOF in terms of Spinors :
 - 4-Momentum in terms of Spinors.

$$k_i^\mu (\sigma_\mu)_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} = (\not{k}_i)_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} = \begin{pmatrix} k_i^t + k_i^z & k_i^x - ik_i^y \\ k_i^x + ik_i^y & k_i^t - k_i^z \end{pmatrix} = (\lambda_i)_\alpha (\tilde{\lambda}_i)_{\dot{\alpha}}.$$

- Polarization vectors also in terms of Spinors

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$$\langle ij \rangle \equiv \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} (\lambda_i)_\alpha (\lambda_j)_\beta, [ij] \equiv \epsilon^{\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}} (\tilde{\lambda}_i)_{\dot{\alpha}} (\tilde{\lambda}_j)_{\dot{\beta}}.$$

- Renders the analytic expressions of scattering amplitudes in an often much more compact form compared to the standard four-vector notation.
- In order to uniformize the description we shall take all particles as outgoing.

MHV Vertices (color stripped)

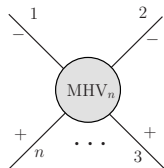
$$\mathcal{V}(1^-, 2^-, 3^+, \dots, n^+) \equiv \left(\frac{p_1^+}{p_2^+} \right)^2 \frac{\tilde{v}_{21}^{*4}}{\tilde{v}_{1n}^* \tilde{v}_{n(n-1)}^* \tilde{v}_{(n-1)(n-2)}^* \cdots \tilde{v}_{21}^*}$$

The \tilde{v}_{ij} , \tilde{v}_{ij}^* are directly related to spinor products $\langle ij \rangle$, $[ij]$.

$$\tilde{v}_{ij}^* = p_i^+ \left(\frac{p_j^\bullet}{p_j^+} - \frac{p_i^\bullet}{p_i^+} \right).$$

Important points

- The transformation results in only MHV vertices.
- The presence of one triple gluon vertex $(--+)$.
- Interpretation of B -Fields?



Wilson Line

$$\mathcal{W}[A](x, y) = \mathbb{P} \exp \left[ig \int_C dz_\mu \hat{A}^\mu(z) \right]$$

B - Fields as Wilson lines

[P. Kotko, 2014], [P. Kotko, A. Stasto, 2017]

$B^\bullet[A^\bullet]$

$$B_a^\bullet[A](x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\alpha \operatorname{Tr} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi g} t^a \partial_- \mathbb{P} \exp \left[ig \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ds \varepsilon_\alpha^+ \cdot \hat{A}(x + s\varepsilon_\alpha^+) \right] \right\}$$

$$\varepsilon_\alpha^+ = \varepsilon_\perp^+ - \alpha \eta, \quad \hat{A} = A_a t^a$$

[H. Kakkad, P. Kotko, A. Stasto, 2020]

$B^*[A^\bullet, A^*]$

$$B_a^*(x) = \int d^3\mathbf{y} \left[\frac{\partial_-^2(y)}{\partial_-^2(x)} \frac{\delta B_a^\bullet(x^+; \mathbf{x})}{\delta A_c^\bullet(x^+; \mathbf{y})} \right] A_c^*(x^+; \mathbf{y})$$

$$\tilde{B}_a^\bullet(x^+; \mathbf{P}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int d^3 \mathbf{p}_1 \dots d^3 \mathbf{p}_n \tilde{\Gamma}_n^{a\{b_1 \dots b_n\}}(\mathbf{P}; \{\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n\}) \prod_{i=1}^n \tilde{A}_{b_i}^\bullet(x^+; \mathbf{p}_i)$$

$$\tilde{B}_a^*(x^+; \mathbf{P}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int d^3 \mathbf{p}_1 \dots d^3 \mathbf{p}_n \tilde{\Upsilon}_n^{ab_1\{b_2 \dots b_n\}}(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{p}_1, \{\mathbf{p}_2, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n\}) \tilde{A}_{b_1}^*(x^+; \mathbf{p}_1) \prod_{i=2}^n \tilde{A}_{b_i}^\bullet(x^+; \mathbf{p}_i)$$

where

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_n^{a\{b_1 \dots b_n\}}(\mathbf{P}; \{\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n\}) = (-g)^{n-1} \frac{\delta^3(\mathbf{p}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{p}_n - \mathbf{P}) \text{Tr}(t^a t^{b_1} \dots t^{b_n})}{\tilde{V}_{1(1 \dots n)}^* \tilde{V}_{(12)(1 \dots n)}^* \dots \tilde{V}_{(1 \dots n-1)(1 \dots n)}^*}$$

$$\tilde{\Upsilon}_n^{ab_1\{b_2 \dots b_n\}}(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{p}_1, \{\mathbf{p}_2, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n\}) = n \left(\frac{p_1^+}{p_{1 \dots n}^+} \right)^2 \tilde{\Gamma}_n^{ab_1 \dots b_n}(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n)$$

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$$\tilde{A}_a^\star(x^+; \mathbf{P}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int d^3 \mathbf{p}_1 \dots d^3 \mathbf{p}_n \tilde{\Omega}_n^{ab_1\{b_2 \dots b_n\}}(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{p}_1, \{\mathbf{p}_2, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n\}) \tilde{B}_{b_1}^\star(x^+; \mathbf{p}_1) \prod_{i=2}^n \tilde{B}_{b_i}^\bullet(x^+; \mathbf{p}_i)$$

where the kernels are

$$\tilde{\Psi}_n^{a\{b_1 \dots b_n\}}(\mathbf{P}; \{\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n\}) = -(-g)^{n-1} \frac{\tilde{V}_{(1 \dots n)1}^\star}{\tilde{V}_{1(1 \dots n)}^\star} \frac{\delta^3(\mathbf{p}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{p}_n - \mathbf{P}) \text{Tr}(t^a t^{b_1} \dots t^{b_n})}{\tilde{V}_{21}^\star \tilde{V}_{32}^\star \dots \tilde{V}_{n(n-1)}^\star}$$

$$\tilde{\Omega}_n^{ab_1\{b_2 \dots b_n\}}(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{p}_1, \{\mathbf{p}_2, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n\}) = n \left(\frac{p_1^+}{p_{1 \dots n}^+} \right)^2 \tilde{\Psi}_n^{ab_1 \dots b_n}(\mathbf{P}; \mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n)$$

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Example : $\mathcal{L}_{-++-}^{(LC)}$

$$= \left(\frac{p_1^+}{p_2^+} \right)^2 \frac{\tilde{v}_{21}^{*4}}{\tilde{v}_{16}^* \tilde{v}_{6(345)}^* \tilde{v}_{(345)2}^* \tilde{v}_{21}^*} \times \left(\frac{p_5^+}{p_{345}^+} \right)^2 \frac{\tilde{v}_{(345)3}}{\tilde{v}_{54} \tilde{v}_{43} \tilde{v}_{3(345)}} \\ + \left(\frac{p_3^+}{p_4^+} \right)^2 \frac{\tilde{v}_{43}^{*4}}{\tilde{v}_{3(612)}^* \tilde{v}_{(612)5}^* \tilde{v}_{54}^* \tilde{v}_{43}^*} \times \left(\frac{p_6^+}{p_{612}^+} \right)^2 \frac{\tilde{v}_{(612)6}}{\tilde{v}_{21} \tilde{v}_{16} \tilde{v}_{6(612)}} + \dots$$

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Z - Fields as Wilson Line functionals

$Z^*[B^*]$

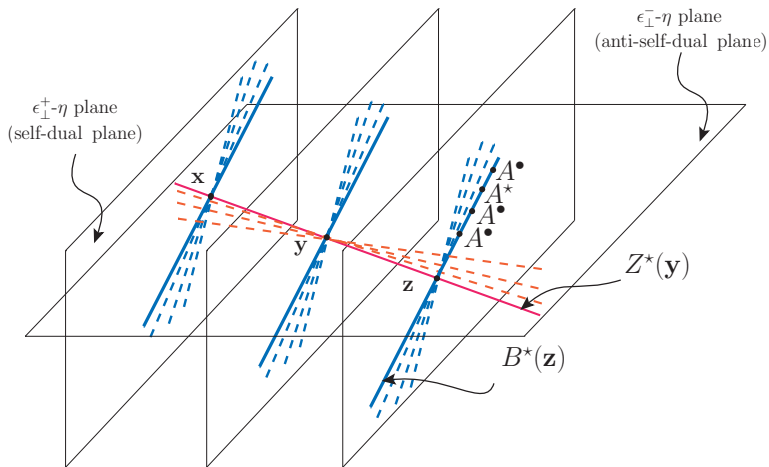
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$$\varepsilon_{\alpha}^- = \varepsilon_{\perp}^- - \alpha \eta, \quad \hat{B} = B_a t^a$$

$Z^{\bullet}[B^{\bullet}, B^*]$

$$Z_a^{\bullet}(x) = \int d^3\mathbf{y} \left[\frac{\partial_-^2(\mathbf{y})}{\partial_-^2(x)} \frac{\delta Z_a^*(x^+; \mathbf{x})}{\delta B_c^*(x^+; \mathbf{y})} \right] B_c^{\bullet}(x^+; \mathbf{y})$$

Geometrical Representation $Z^*[B^*]$



BCFW Technique

- Complex shift the momentum of two consecutive legs such that the total momentum remains conserved.

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\lambda}_n &\rightarrow \hat{\lambda}_n = \tilde{\lambda}_n - z\tilde{\lambda}_1, & \lambda_n &\rightarrow \lambda_n, \\ \lambda_1 &\rightarrow \hat{\lambda}_1 = \lambda_1 + z\lambda_n, & \tilde{\lambda}_1 &\rightarrow \tilde{\lambda}_1\end{aligned}$$

- Identify the location of complex poles.
- At poles the amplitude factorizes and the off-shell particle goes on-shell.
- Express amplitude in terms of residues.
- Apply Cauchy's residue theorem under the limit that the residue for large 'z' vanishes'.

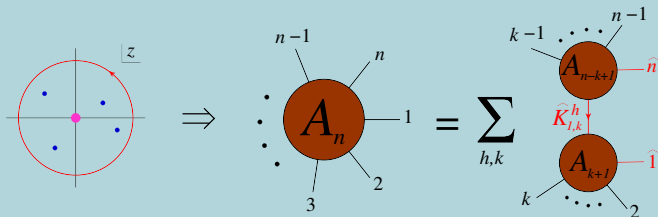


Figure – Illustration of how Cauchy's theorem leads to the BCFW recursion relation

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