

Analytic Techniques for Massive One-Loop Amplitudes

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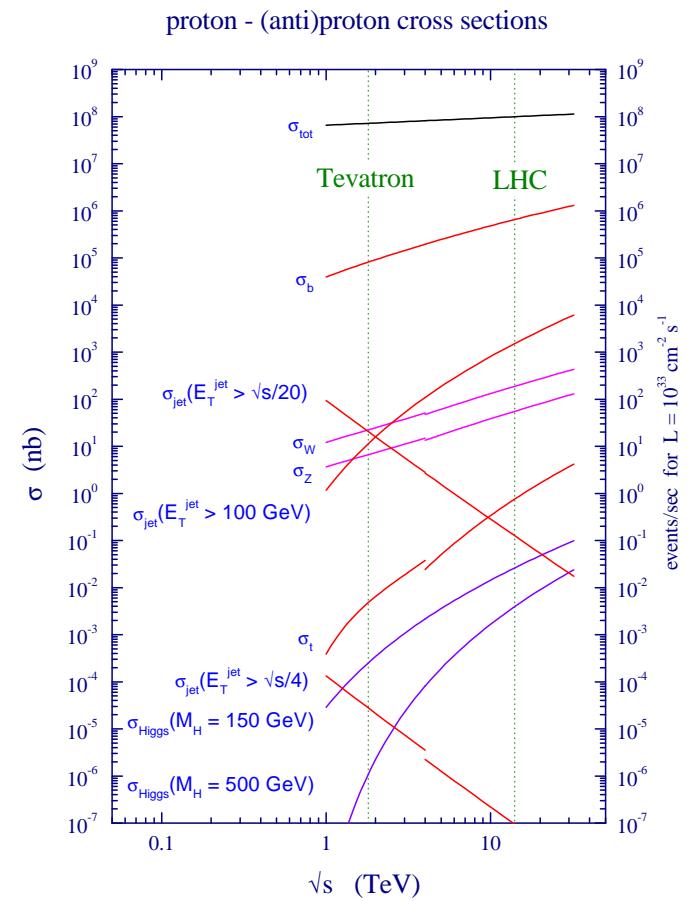
Fermilab Theory Seminar

Outline

- Multi-leg one-loop amplitudes and on-shell simplifications
- Review of on-shell (and not so on-shell) methods
 - Complex analysis and generalised unitarity
 - Feynman reduction with higher dimensional integrals
- New methods for un-ordered amplitudes
 - Hidden symmetries: No-triangles in QED
 - Compact QED tree-amplitudes
- Application to massive fermion amplitudes
 - Spinor/Helicity with massive fermions
 - Constraints from universal UV/IR poles
 - Compact helicity amplitudes for $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

NLO Computations

- New physics searches @ Tevatron and LHC
 - Massive states
 - Many jets
- General signals hidden by complicated QCD backgrounds
 - NLO required for quantitative predictions
 - Fast and accurate differential cross sections
 - Resummations and Parton showers



Computations of Virtual Corrections

- A lot of recent progress in computational methods for virtual corrections:
Bern,Dixon,Dunbar,Kosower,Britto,Cachazo,Feng,Mastrolia,
Ossola,Papadopoulos,Pittau,Ellis,Giele,Kunszt,Melnikov,Forde,...
- Automated numerical approaches:
[BlackHat, Rocket, CutTools / Helac-1loop, GOLEM, Denner et al., samurai, ...]
 - Growing number of phenomenological studies
 - Continuing improvements: colour dressing, GPU's
[Giele,Kunszt,Winter][Giele,Stavenga,Winter]
- Efficiency:
 - Numerical stability
 - Fast numerical evaluation
 - Complexity of processes with additional jets
 - Portability \Rightarrow Public codes
- Analytical computations good for numerical stability and speed
- Amplitude structures can give insight into new techniques

Recent Highlights

● Numerical:

- $gg \rightarrow 20(g)$ [Giele,Zanderighi]
- $p\bar{p} \rightarrow W/Z + 3j$ [Berger et al. Blackhat] [Ellis,Giele,Kunszt,Melnikov,Zanderighi Rocket]
- $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t} + 2j$ [Bevilaqua et al. Helac-11]
- $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$ [Bredenstein,Denner,Dittmaier,Pozzorini] [Bevilaqua et al. Helac-11]
- $p\bar{p} \rightarrow WW + 2j$ [Melia,Melinkov,Rontsch,Zanderighi]
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow 5j$ [Frederix,Frixione,Melinkov,Zanderighi]
- plus many more...

● Analytic: (including development of methods)

- $gg \rightarrow gggg$
Bern,Dixon,Kosower,Dunbar,Forde,Berger,Britto,Feng,Cachazo,Mastrolia,...
- $p\bar{p} \rightarrow H + 2j$
SB,Glover,Risager,Williams,Mastrolia,Berger, Dixon,Del
Duca,Sofianatos,Campbell,Ellis
Cross section with decays in MCFM [Ellis,Campbell,Williams (2010)]

Spinor-Helicity Formalism

- All amplitudes described by two-component Weyl spinors

$$\langle pq \rangle = e^{i\theta_{pq}} \sqrt{p \cdot q} \quad [pq] = e^{-i\theta_{pq}} \sqrt{p \cdot q}$$

- Momenta and polarisation vectors

$$p^\mu = \frac{1}{2} \langle p | \sigma^\mu | p] \quad \varepsilon_+^\mu(p, \xi) = \frac{\langle \xi | \sigma^\mu | p]}{\sqrt{2} \langle \xi p \rangle} \quad \varepsilon_-^\mu(p, \xi) = \frac{\langle p | \sigma^\mu | \xi]}{\sqrt{2} [p \xi]}$$

- Massive momenta \Rightarrow longer “spinor strings”

$$\langle p | P | q] \quad \langle p | P Q | q \rangle \quad \langle p | P(p + q) | r \rangle$$

Simple structures at tree level

- Huge on-shell cancellations in tree-level QCD
c.f. factorial growth of diagrams
- Example: $gg \rightarrow n(g)$

[Parke,Taylor (1985)]

$$A_n^{(0)}(1^+, 2^+, \dots, n^+) = 0 \quad \text{"all-plus"}$$

$$A_n^{(0)}(1^-, 2^+, \dots, n^+) = 0 \quad \text{"one-minus"}$$

$$A_n^{(0)}(1^-, 2^-, \dots, n^+) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^4}{\prod_{k=1}^n \langle k(k+1) \rangle} \quad \text{MHV}$$

- Also in QED $q\bar{q} \rightarrow n(\gamma)$

[Kleiss,Stirling (1986)]

$$A_n^{(0)}(n_{\bar{q}}^+, 1_q^-, 2^-, \dots, (n-1)^+) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle n2 \rangle \langle 1n \rangle^{n-2}}{\prod_{k=2}^{n-1} \langle 1k \rangle \langle nk \rangle} \quad \text{MHV}$$

Colour Ordering and Primitive Amplitudes

- Order kinematic dependence w.r.t. group structure :
Colour Ordered / Partial Amplitudes

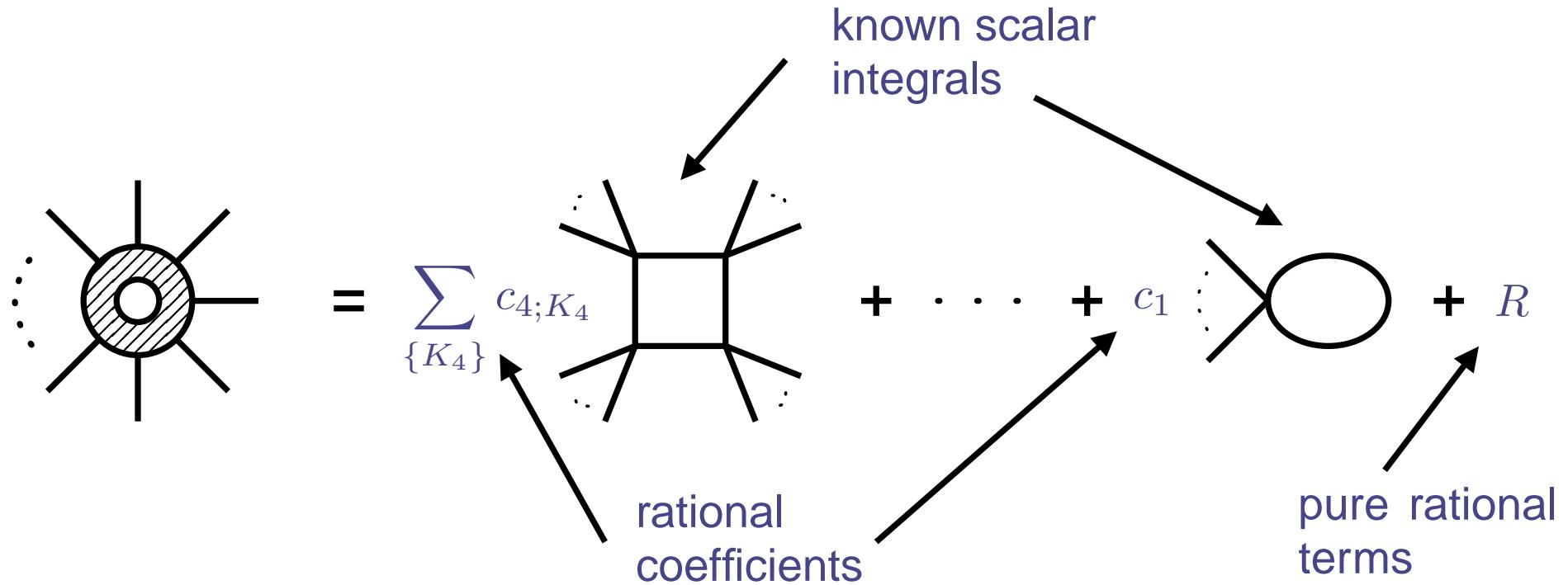
$$\mathcal{A}^{(0)}(\{a_i\}, \{h_i\}, \{p_i\}) = \sum_c f_c(T^{a_i}) A^{(0)}(\{h_i\}, \{p_i\})$$

- At higher loops internal colour flows give additional structure :
Primitive Amplitudes

$$A^{(l)}(N_c, N_f, \{h_i\}, \{p_i\}) = \sum_p g_p(N_c, N_f) A^{(l), [p]}(\{h_i\}, \{p_i\})$$

- Primitive amplitudes are minimal gauge invariant sub-sets

Structure of One-Loop Amplitudes



- General gauge theory amplitudes reduced to box topologies or simpler

[Passarino,Veltman;Melrose]

- Isolate logarithms with cuts \rightarrow exploit on-shell simplifications
- General cutting principle:
 - apply δ -functions to L and R sides
 - generate and solve the linear system for the coefficients

Generalised Unitarity for One-Loop Amplitudes

$$C_4 = \prod_{i=1}^4 A_i(l) \quad C_3 = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=1}^3 A_i(l(t))|_{t^0} \quad C_2 \sim \lim_{y/t \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=1}^2 A_i(l(y, t))$$
$$A_n^{(1)} =$$

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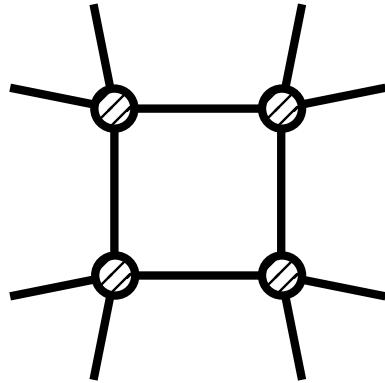
$$C_4^{[4]} = \lim_{\mu^2 \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=1}^4 A_i(l)|_{\mu^4} \quad C_3^{[2]} = \lim_{\mu^2, t \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=1}^3 A_i(l(t))|_{t^0, \mu^2} \quad C_2^{[2]} \sim \lim_{\mu^2, y/t \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=1}^2 A_i(l(y, t))$$

Generalised cuts
 \Rightarrow loops from trees

Bern,Dixon,Dunbar,Kosower;
 Britto,Cachazo,Feng,Mastrolia,Yang;
 Ossola,Papadopoulos,Pittau;
 Forde;Kilgore

D-dimensional cuts:
 [Ossola,Papadopoulos,Pittau;
 Giele,Kunszt,Melnikov;
 Britto,Feng,Mastrolia;SB]

Multiple Cuts and Integrand Reduction



- Quadruple cut \rightarrow 4 on-shell δ -functions
- $l_k^2 = m_k^2 \rightarrow$ fixed loop momentum
- $C_4 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma=\pm} A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4(l_1^\sigma)$ [BCF]

- Triple cut \rightarrow 3 on-shell δ -functions
- Parametrise free integration

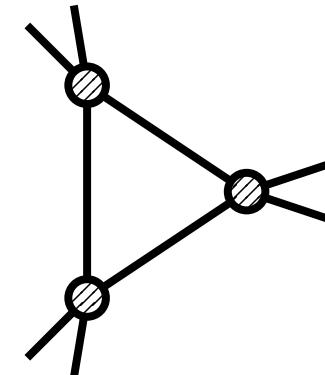
$$\oint J_t dt A_1 A_2 A_3 = \oint J_t dt \text{Inf}_t[A_1 A_2 A_3(t)] + \sum_k \frac{\text{Res}_{t=t_k}(A_1 A_2 A_3)}{\xi_k(t - t_k)}$$

- $C_3 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma=\pm} \text{Inf}_t[A_1 A_2 A_3(l_1^\sigma(t))]|_{t^0}$

Bubble coefficients follow from a similar analysis:

$$C_2 = \text{Inf}_t \text{Inf}_y[A_1 A_2(t, y)] - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma=\pm} \text{Inf}_t[A_1 A'_2 A'_3(t, y_\pm)]$$

[OPP,Forde]



3-cut: Cauchy's Theorem
[Dunbar,Perkins,Warwick]

2-cut: Stokes' Theorem
[Mastrolia]

Computation of the Rational terms

- D -dimensional cuts perfectly valid...
[Ellis,Giele,Kunszt,Melnikov]
[Anastasiou,Britto,Feng,Kunszt,Mastrolia][SB]
- On-shell recursion relations
[Berger,Bern,Dixon,Forde,Kosower]
- Feynman methods may offer a more direct route to compact analytic forms for the rational terms.
 $[pp \rightarrow H + 2j]$
- Provide important cross checks for newer on-shell techniques
- Bottleneck: Passerino-Veltamm reduction produces large expressions with unphysical singularities
- Reduction to using higher dimensional integrals offers a number of advantages:
 - Direct match with D -dimensional cut basis
 - Explicit cancellation of some Gram determinants
[Diakonidis,Fleischer,Riemann,Tausk][Fleischer,Riemann]

Tensor Reduction for Feynman Diagrams

- Full numerical reduction program in c++

[Yundin(in preparation)]

- (1) Tensor reduction to higher dimension integrals

$$I_n^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \sum_{m=1}^5 \sum_{K_m} \sum_{l < m} T_{m,l|K_m}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} I_{m|K_m}^{4+2l-2\epsilon}$$

- (2) Reduce to scalar integrals using dimension shift

$$I_m^{D+2} = \frac{A}{G} I_m^D + \sum_k \frac{B_k}{G} I_{m-1;k}^D$$

[Bern,Dixon,Kosower]

[Fleischer,Jegerlehner,Tarasov][Tarasov]

- (2b) Eliminate Gram determinants, G , in step (2)

[Fleischer,Riemann]

- Analytic implementation for rational terms in $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

QED trees and on-shell recursion

Simplicity in “unordered” theories

- QED and Gravity amplitudes contain simplicity not seen in QCD
 - Improved multi-loop UV behaviour [Bern,Carrasco,Dixon,Johnasson,Roiban]
 - No-triangles in $N = 8$ super-gravity [Arkani-Hamed,Cachazo,Kaplan]
[Bjerrum-Bohr,Vanhove]
 - Amplitude relations : KLT, BCJ, Monodromies etc. [Kawai,Lewellen,Tye]
[Bern,Carrasco,Johnasson]
[Bjerrum-Bohr,Damgaard,Feng,Sondergaard]
 - No-triangles in n -photon amplitudes for $n > 6$ [SB,Bjerrum-Bohr,Vanhove]
proof via generalised unitarity with massive cuts
- Study UV properties via large momentum limits with on-shell recursion

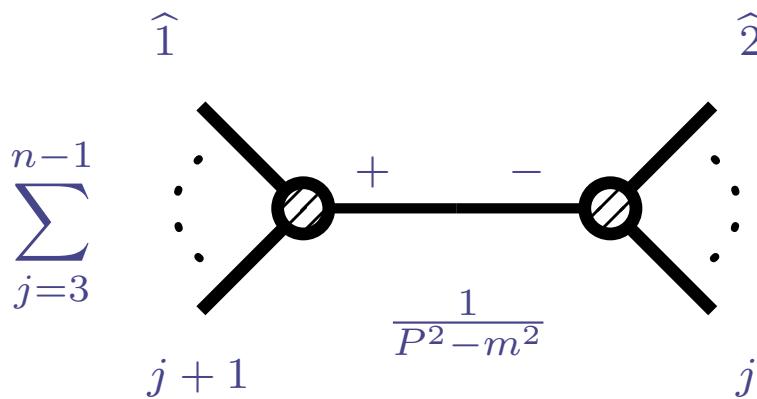
Review of BCFW recursion

[Britto,Cachazo,Feng,Witten (2004)]

- Tree amplitudes constructed using Cauchy theorem:

$$\oint \frac{A(z)}{z} dz$$

$$A(z) \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow \infty} 0 \Rightarrow A(0) = - \sum_{\text{poles } k} A_L(z_k) \frac{1}{P_k^2} A_R(z_k)$$



- In most cases gives shortest known representations

Dressing the Recursion Relation

- For QED and Gravity it does not . . .

- Gravity : $M_n(z) \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{z^2}$
- $q\bar{q} + n(\gamma)$: $A_n(z) \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{z^{n-2}}$

- Improved UV scaling allows modification of BCFW

[SB,Henn (2010)]

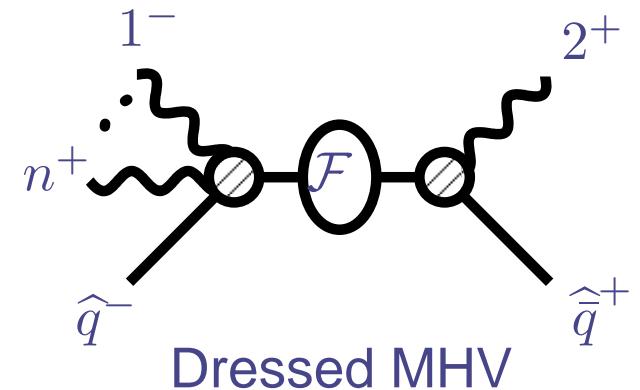
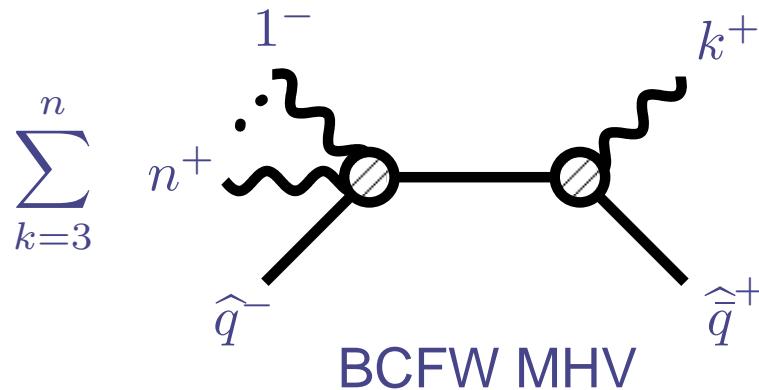
$$\oint \frac{f(z)A(z)}{z} dz = 0$$

- $f(z)$ can take the form of poles in $A(z) \Rightarrow$ reduction in number of residues

$$A(0) = - \sum_{\text{poles } k} A_L(z_k) \frac{\mathcal{F}(z_k)}{P_k^2} A_R(z_k)$$

Compact QED Tree amplitudes

- MHV amplitude:

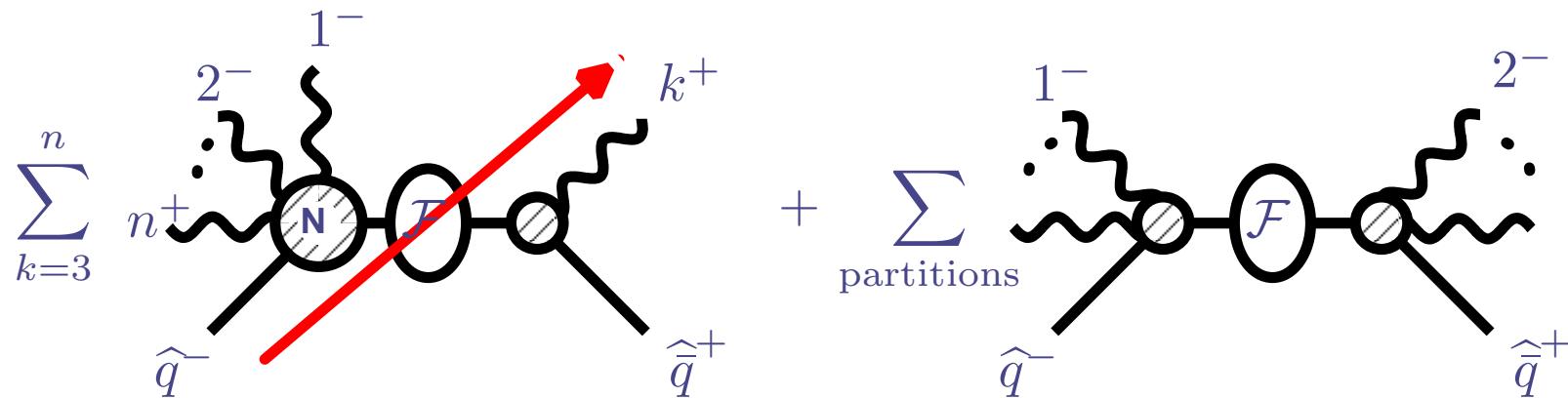


- Simple derivation of Kleiss-Stirling formula

$$\mathcal{F}(z) = \prod_{k=3}^n \frac{z_2 - z_k}{z_k} = \frac{\langle q\bar{q} \rangle^{n-2}}{\langle q2 \rangle^{n-2}} \prod_{k=3}^n \frac{\langle 2k \rangle}{\langle \bar{q}k \rangle}$$

$$A_{n;q}^{\text{tree}}(q^-, \bar{q}^+; 1^-, 2^+, \dots, n^+) = i \frac{\langle q1 \rangle^2}{\langle q\bar{q} \rangle} \prod_{k=2}^n \frac{\langle q\bar{q} \rangle}{\langle qk \rangle \langle \bar{q}k \rangle}.$$

Compact QED Tree amplitudes



- NMHV and N^2 MHV : exponential growth in number of terms

n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
NMHV,BCFW	1	5	22	103	546	3339	23500	188255	1694806
NMHV,dressed	2	6	14	30	62	126	254	510	1022

- c.f. naive $\sim n!$, QCD $\sim (n - 2)!$ (Kleiss-Kuijf), Gravity $\sim (n - 3)!$

One-Loop Helicity Amplitudes for $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

$t\bar{t}$ production at the LHC

- LHC is a top factory! ($> 10^6$ events/year)
- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}j$ and $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$: backgrounds for $t\bar{t}H$ production channel
 - [Dittmaier,Uwer,Weinzierl (2006)]
 - [Melnikov,Schulze (2010)]
 - [Bredenstein,Denner,Dittmaier,Pozzorini; Bevilacqua et al.Helac-1loop (2010)]
- Recent computation of $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + 2j$ [Bevilacqua et al. Helac-1loop (2010)]
- $t\bar{t} + n(j)$ backgrounds for SUSY and LED searches
- $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ is a well known process:
 - $A^{(1)} A^{(0)}$ Interference [Ellis,Nason,Dawson (1988)]
 - Tensorial Amplitude : [Körner,Merebashvili (2002)]
 - [available in MCFM; Ellis,Campbell (2010)]
 - Spin-Density Matrix : [Bernreuther,Brandenburger,Si,Uwer (2004)]
 - Numerical Unitarity : [Melnikov,Schulze (2009)]

Heavy quark helicity states

- Define heavy quark helicity states w.r.t massless direction η [Kleiss,Stirling]

$$u_{\pm}(Q; \eta) = \frac{(Q + m)|\eta\mp\rangle}{\langle Q^b \pm |\eta\mp\rangle}$$

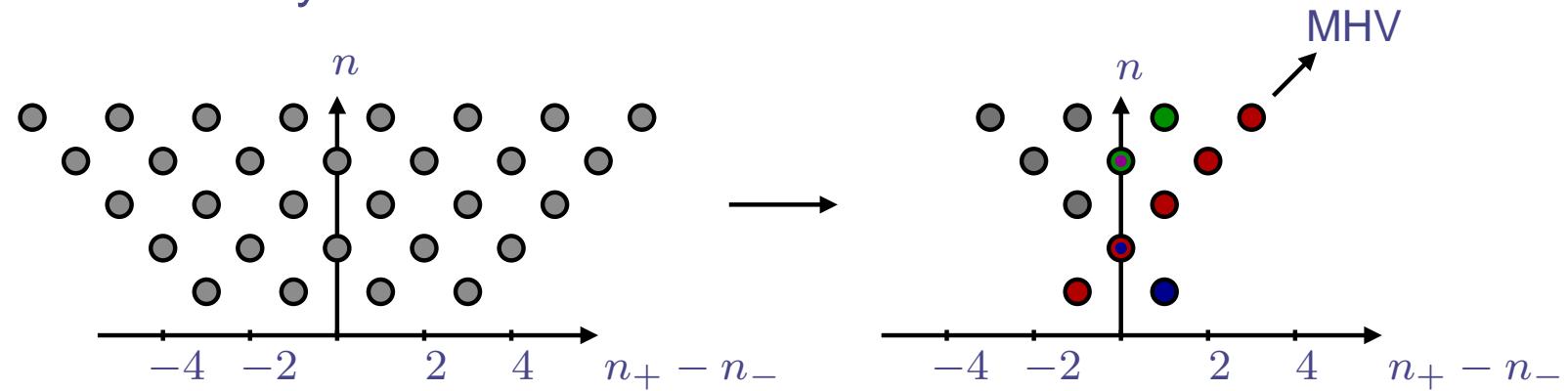
where

$$Q^{b,\mu} = Q^\mu - \frac{m^2}{2Q \cdot \eta} \eta^\mu$$

- Specific choice of reference momentum maps directly to standard dirac representation
- Working with arbitrary reference vectors
 - ⇒ more independent spinor products
 - ⇒ less independent helicity amplitudes
- Implementing (LO) decays straightforward

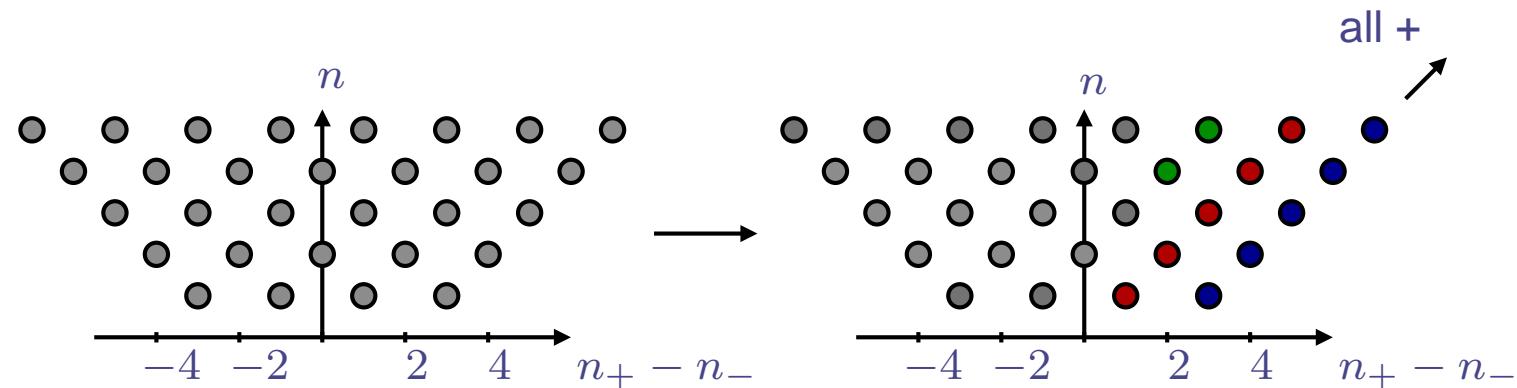
Massive Helicity Amplitudes

Massless QCD helicity structure:



Symmetry relates massive quark helicity states:

$$u_-(p, m; p^\flat, \eta) = \frac{\langle p^\flat \eta \rangle}{m} u_+(p, m; \eta, p^\flat)$$



$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ Colour Ordering

- Decompose into primitive amplitudes

[Bern,Dixon,Kosower (1994)]

$$\mathcal{A}_4^{(0)}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) = \sum_{P(2,3)} (T^{a_2} T^{a_3})_{i_1 i_4} A_4^{(0)}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}})$$

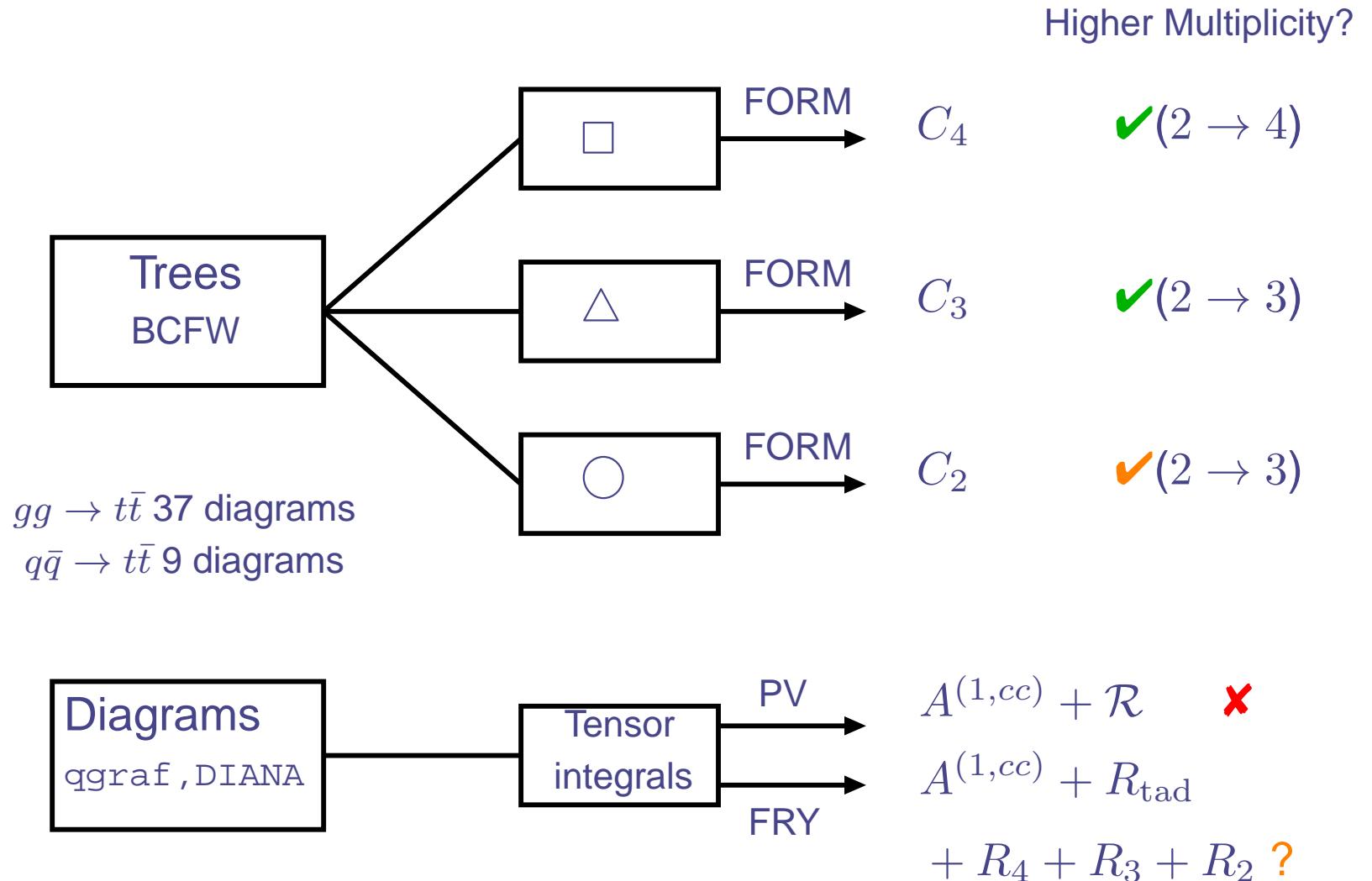
$$\mathcal{A}_4^{(1)}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) = \sum_{P(2,3)} N(T^{a_2} T^{a_3})_{i_1 i_4} A_{4;1}^{(1)}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) + \delta^{a_2 a_3} \delta_{i_1 i_4} A_{4;3}^{(1)}(1_t, 4_{\bar{t}}; 2, 3)$$

where

$$A_{4;1}^{(1)}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) = A^{[L]}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) - \frac{1}{N^2} A^{[R]}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) \\ + \frac{N_f}{N} A^{[f]}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) + \frac{N_H}{N} A^{[H]}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}})$$

$$A_{4;3}^{(1)}(1_t, 4_{\bar{t}}; 2, 3) = \sum_{P(2,3)} \left\{ A^{[L]}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) + A^{[L]}(1_t, 2, 4_{\bar{t}}, 3) + A^{[R]}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) \right\}.$$

Computational Strategy



Tree Level Amplitudes

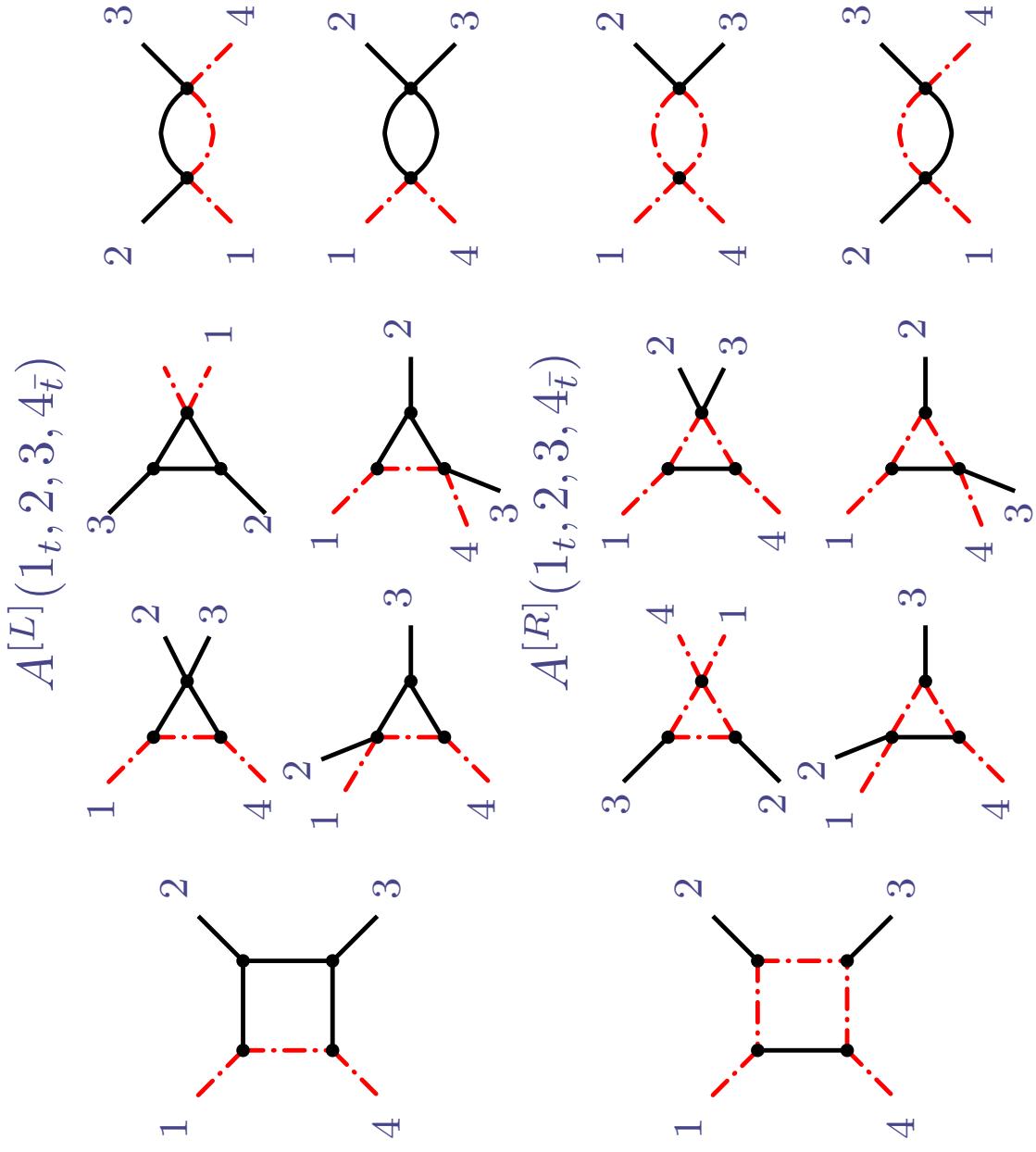
- Compact tree-level amplitudes from BCFW recursion

$$A_4(1_t^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4_{\bar{t}}^+) = -im^3 \frac{[23]\langle\eta_1\eta_4\rangle}{\langle 23\rangle\langle 2|1|2]\langle\eta_11^\flat\rangle\langle\eta_44^\flat\rangle}$$

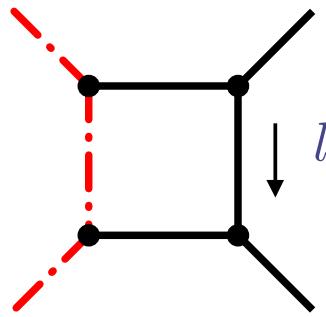
$$A_4(1_t^+, 2^+, 3^-, 4_{\bar{t}}^+) = -im \frac{\langle 3|1|2] (\langle\eta_1\eta_4\rangle\langle 3|1|2] + [23]\langle\eta_13\rangle\langle\eta_43\rangle)}{s_{23}\langle 2|1|2]\langle\eta_11^\flat\rangle\langle\eta_44^\flat\rangle}$$

- Easy to automate analytically: All helicity amplitudes for $n \leq 6$
- Turn trees into loops via generalised unitarity
 - Compact expressions at one-loop?
- Study $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ in detail...

The Integral Basis



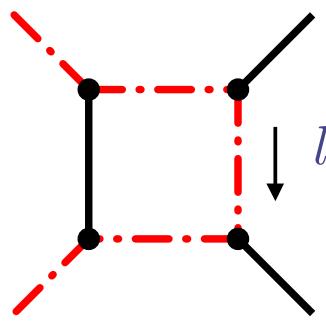
Extracting the Coefficients



$$l^{(1),\mu} = -\frac{\langle 2|1|2]}{2\langle 2|1|3]} \langle 2|\gamma^\mu|3]$$

$$l^{(2),\mu} = -\frac{\langle 2|1|2]}{2\langle 3|1|2]} \langle 3|\gamma^\mu|2]$$

“Left-Moving” box coefficient has simple solution



$$l^{\pm\mu} = \frac{c_\pm}{2} \langle 2|\gamma^\mu|3] - \frac{m^2}{2c_\pm} \langle 3|\gamma^\mu|2]$$
$$c_\pm = -\frac{1}{2\langle 2|1|3]} \left(s_{12} + m^2 \pm \sqrt{(s_{12} + m^2)^2 + 4m^2 \langle 2|1|3] \langle 3|1|2]/s_{23}} \right)$$

“Right-Moving” box coefficient contains square roots...

Using the universal IR constraints

- Taylor expansions can result in “relatively” long expressions
⇒ Further simplifications needed
- Coefficients satisfy set of constraints imposed from universal pole structure:

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{-m^2}{s}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(1 - \frac{t}{m^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\beta+1}{\beta-1}\right)$$

- Three IR consistency equations:

$$C_{1|2|3|4}^{[L]} + \langle 2|1|2] C_{3;23|4|1}^{[L]} = s_{23} \langle 2|1|2] A^{(0)}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}})$$

$$C_{1|2|3|4}^{[L]} + s_{23} C_{3;12|3|4}^{[L]} + s_{23} C_{3;1|2|34}^{[L]} = s_{23} \langle 2|1|2] A^{(0)}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}})$$

$$C_{1|2|3|4}^{[R]} + \langle 2|1|2] C_{3;2|3|41}^{[R]} = (s_{23} - 2m^2) \langle 2|1|2] A^{(0)}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}})$$

- Eliminate three-mass triangle from “Right-Moving” primitive

More Integral Functions

- Further changes to the integral basis help to find compact forms and cancel unphysical divergences:
 - $I_2(s, 0, m^2) = F_2(s, 0, m^2) + I_2(m^2, 0, m^2)$
 - $I_2(s, m^2, m^2) = F_2(s, m^2, m^2) + I_2(m^2, 0, m^2) - 2$
 - $I_2(s, 0, 0) = I_2(s, 0, 0; m^2) + I_2(m^2, 0, m^2) - 2$
 - $I_1(m^2) = m^2(I_2(m^2, 0, m^2) + 1)$
- This helps to collect all $\log(m^2)$ in one place...
- Cancellation spurious poles with $6 - 2\epsilon$ box:

$$I_4^{4-2\epsilon} = c_0 I_4^{6-2\epsilon} + \sum_{k=1}^4 c_k I_3^{(k), 4-2\epsilon}$$

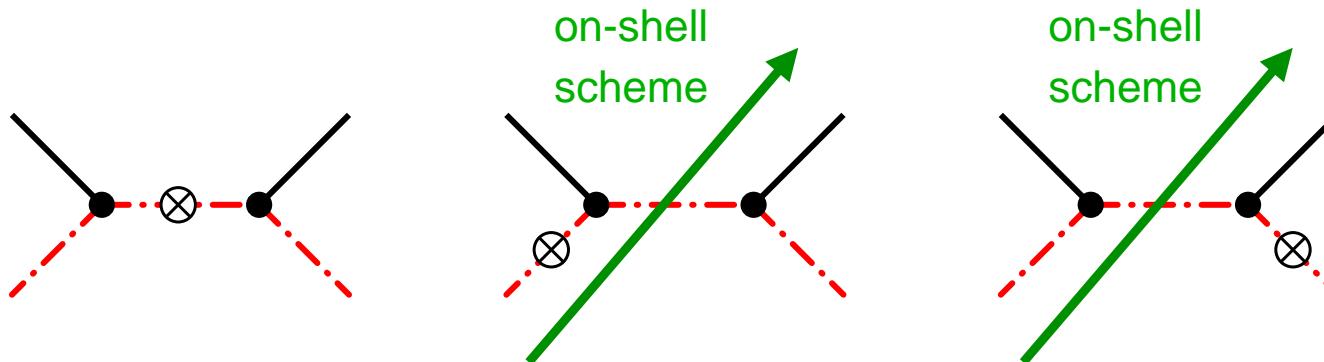
Mass renormalisation

- Amplitude is not gauge invariant before mass renormalisation
- On-shell wave-function cuts are divergent, $I_2(m^2, 0, m^2)$



- We used the Feynman computation then changed basis
- Coefficient of $\log(m^2)$ constrained by universal poles

$$c_{2;m^2} I_2(m^2, 0, m^2) + c_1 I_1(m^2) = -\frac{1}{2} A^{(0)} I_2(m^2, 0, m^2) + R_{\text{tad}}$$



The Left-Moving Primitive

$$\begin{aligned}
A_4^{[L]}(1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^+) = & \\
& - I_4(s_{12}, s_{23}, 0, m^2, m^2, 0, 0, 0, m^2, 0) \frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32]^2 m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle} \\
& + F_2(s_{12}, 0, m^2) \left(- \frac{2 \langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3 s_{12}}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2]^2} + \frac{\langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2]^2} \right) \\
& + (I_2(m^2, 0, m^2) - 2) \frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2]} \\
& - \frac{(\langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle + \langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 2|1|2]) [32] m}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2]} - \frac{(\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 2|1|2] + \langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle [32]) m}{3 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2}
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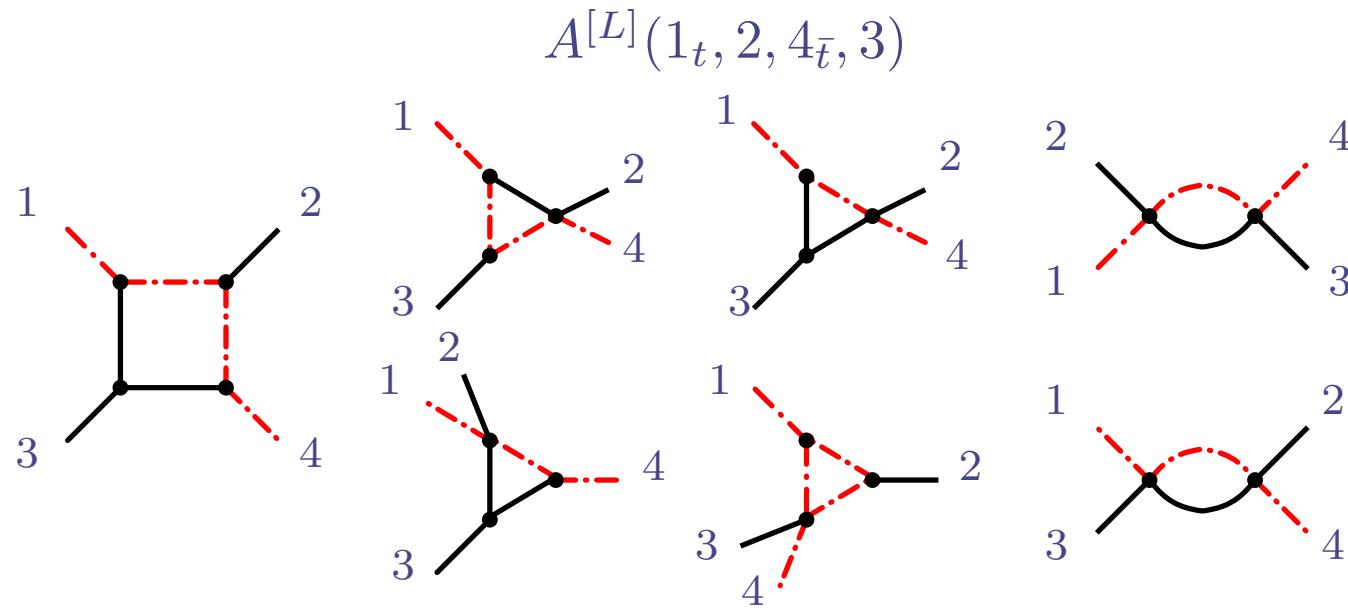
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$$\begin{aligned}
& A_4^{[R]}(1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^+) = \\
& + I_4(s_{12}, s_{23}, m^2, 0, 0, m^2, 0, m^2, m^2) \left(\frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32] (s_{23} - 2m^2) m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle} - \frac{\langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle} \right) \\
& + I_4^{6-2\epsilon}(s_{12}, s_{23}, m^2, 0, 0, m^2, 0, m^2, m^2) \left(- \frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [23] (2m^2 + \langle 2|1|2 \rangle) m^3}{\beta^2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle} - \frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{\beta^2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle} \right. \\
& + \frac{2 \langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^5}{\beta^2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle^2} - \frac{\langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle [32]^2 m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle} + \frac{(\langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle + \langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle [32]) [32] m^3}{\beta^2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle} \\
& \left. + \frac{2 \langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle [32] m^3}{\beta^2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2} \right) + I_3(0, 0, s_{23}, m^2, m^2, m^2) \left(\frac{2(2 \langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle - \langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle) [32] m^5}{\beta^2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 2|1|2 \rangle} \right. \\
& + \frac{2 \langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^5}{\beta^2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle^2} - \frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle} \Big) + I_3(s_{23}, m^2, m^2, m^2, m^2, 0) \frac{\langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle} \\
& + I_3(s_{12}, 0, m^2, 0, m^2, m^2) \left(\frac{(2 \langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle - \langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle) \langle 23 \rangle [32] m^3}{\beta^2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2} + \frac{\langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3 (1 - 2\beta^2)}{\beta^2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle} \right) \\
& + F_2(s_{12}, 0, m^2) \left(\frac{2 \langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3 s_{12}}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle^2} - \frac{\langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle^2} \right) \\
& - ((I_2(m^2, 0, m^2) - 2) \frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle} - \frac{(\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle + \langle \eta_1 K_{12} K_{32} \eta_4 \rangle) [32] m}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle}
\end{aligned}$$

Structure in the Sub-Leading Colour

- $A_4^{[L]}(1_t, 2, 4_{\bar{t}}, 3)$ has full integral structure (bubble, tadpoles, rational terms)
- Only boxes and triangles remain in $A_{4;3}$ after permutation sum is performed.

$$A_{4;3}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) = A_4^{[L]}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) + A_4^{[R]}(1_t, 2, 3, 4_{\bar{t}}) + A_4^{[L]}(1_t, 2, 4_{\bar{t}}, 3) + (2 \leftrightarrow 3)$$



The sub-leading colour primitive

$$A_4^{[L]}(1^+, 2^+, 4^+, 3^+) =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + I_4(s_{12}, s_{13}, m^2, 0, m^2, 0, 0, m^2, m^2, 0) \left(\frac{\langle \eta_1 3 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle [32]^2 m^5}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 3|1|2 \rangle} - \frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 3|1|3 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{(2 \langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle^2 + \langle \eta_1 3 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle \langle 2|1|3 \rangle [32]) m^3}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2} \right) \\
& + I_3(s_{12}, 0, m^2, m^2, 0, 0) \left(\frac{m^3 \langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2} - \frac{m^3 \langle \eta_1 3 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle [32]}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 3|1|2 \rangle} \right) \\
& + I_3(s_{12}, 0, m^2, 0, m^2, m^2) \left(\frac{\langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 2 \rangle \langle 3|1|2 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 2|1|2 \rangle} + \frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{\langle \eta_1 3 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle [32] m^3}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 3|1|2 \rangle} + \frac{(\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle - 2 \langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle [32]) m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2} \right) \\
& + I_3(s_{13}, 0, m^2, 0, m^2, m^2) \left(- \frac{2 \langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle} + \frac{\langle \eta_1 3 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle \langle 3|1|3 \rangle [32] m^3}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 3|1|2 \rangle} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \frac{\langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 2 \rangle \langle 3|1|2 \rangle [32] m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 3|1|3 \rangle} - \frac{(\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 2|1|2 \rangle - 2 \langle \eta_1 2 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle [32]) m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2} \right) \\
& + I_3(s_{13}, 0, m^2, m^2, 0, 0) \left(- \frac{\langle \eta_1 3 \rangle \langle \eta_4 3 \rangle [32] \langle 3|1|3 \rangle m^3}{2 \langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 3|1|2 \rangle} + \frac{\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 3|1|3 \rangle m^3}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

D -dimensional cuts from massive cuts

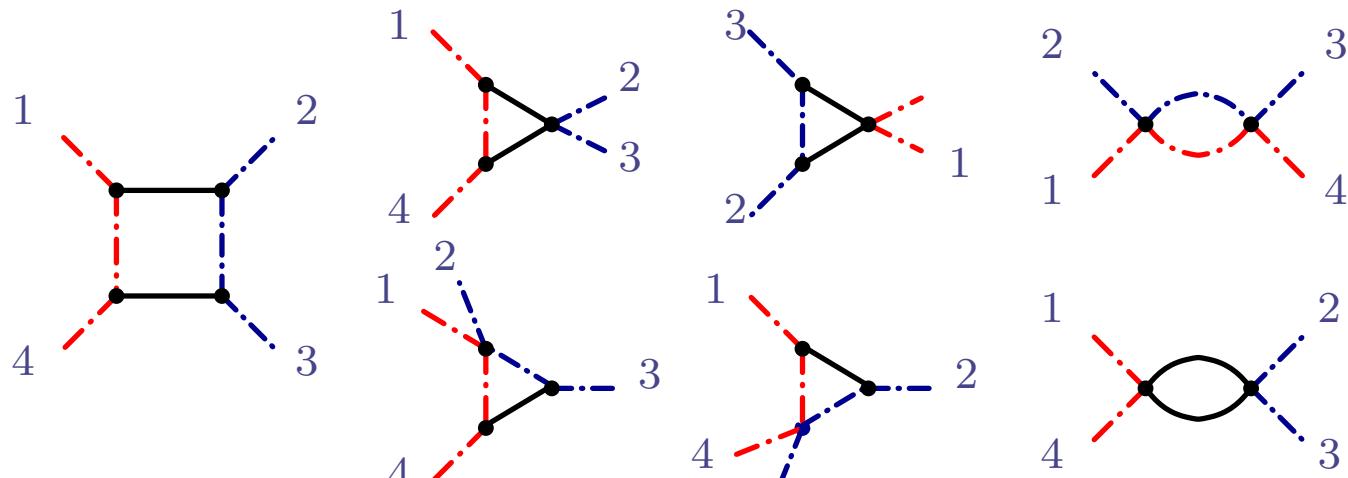
- Rational terms from the large mass limit of 4-D cuts [SB (2008)]
- Example: Heavy fermion loop in $gg \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ (no tadpole)

$$A^{[H]}(1_t^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4_t^+) = \frac{2m (\langle \eta_1 \eta_4 \rangle \langle 2|1|2] + \langle 2\eta_1 \rangle \langle 3\eta_4 \rangle [32])}{\langle \eta_1 1^\flat \rangle \langle \eta_4 4^\flat \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2 s_{23}} \\ \left(s_{23} m_H^2 I_3(0, 0, s_{23}, m_H^2, m_H^2, m_H^2) + 2m_H^2 F_2(s_{23}, m_H^2, m_H^2) + R^{[H]} \right)$$

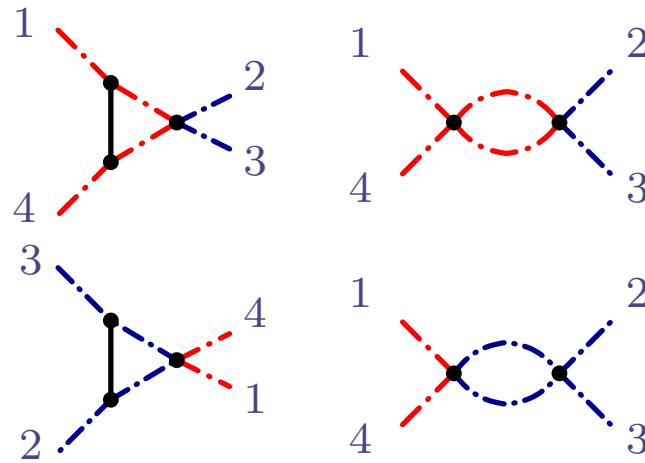
- $m_H^2 \rightarrow m_H^2 + \mu^2$, $I_3[\mu^2] = \frac{1}{2}$, $I_2[\mu^2](s) = -\frac{s+3(m_1^2+m_2^2)}{6}$
$$\Rightarrow R^{[H]} = \frac{s_{23}}{2} - \frac{s_{23} - 6m^2}{6} + \frac{6m^2}{6} = \frac{s_{23}}{6}$$
- $\log(m^2)$ coefficient constrained by IR/UV poles [Bern,Morgan]

$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

$$A^{[lc]}(1_t, 2_q, 3_{\bar{q}}, 4_{\bar{t}})$$



$$A^{[slc]}(1_t, 2_q, 3_{\bar{q}}, 4_{\bar{t}})$$



Remaining amplitudes for $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

- $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$: Single additional configuration: + + - +
- $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$: Single additional configuration: + + - +
- Additional complexity : ~ 4 times longer expressions

$tgg\bar{t}$	$A^{[L]}$	$A^{[R]}$	$A^{[L,sl]}$	$A^{[H]}$
+++	6	25	20	4
+ + - +	80	100	100	0
$tq\bar{q}\bar{t}$	$A^{[lc]}$	$A^{[slc]}$	$A^{[H]}$	-
+ + - +	70	25	4	-

- Cross checks (c++ spinors +qcdloop): [Ellis,Zanderighi]
 - Ellis,Giele,Kunszt,Melinkov (D-dimensional cuts,numerical)
 - Körner,Merebashvili (Analytic, Feynman)
 - Anastasiou,Aybat (Analytic, Feynman, $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0)$)
- Roughly $\mathcal{O}(10)$ times shorter then KM

Outlook

- On-shell simplifications also persist in massive amplitudes
 - Simplicity in helicity strucutre
 - Cancellations in sub-leading colour
- Hints into improved UV behaviour from QED
- Automated generalised unitarity extraction for arbitary masses
- Compact expressions for $p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ [SB,Sattler,Yundin (in preparation)]
- Ready for future phenomenological applications:
 - Faster evaluation of NLO cross sections
 - Look to include into open source NLO codes:
 - [MCFM ; Campbell,Ellis]
 - [POWHEG-BOX ; Alioli,Nason,Oleari,Re]
- Higher multiplicity applications in progress
 - Prospect of NLO Monte-Carlo getting much closer...