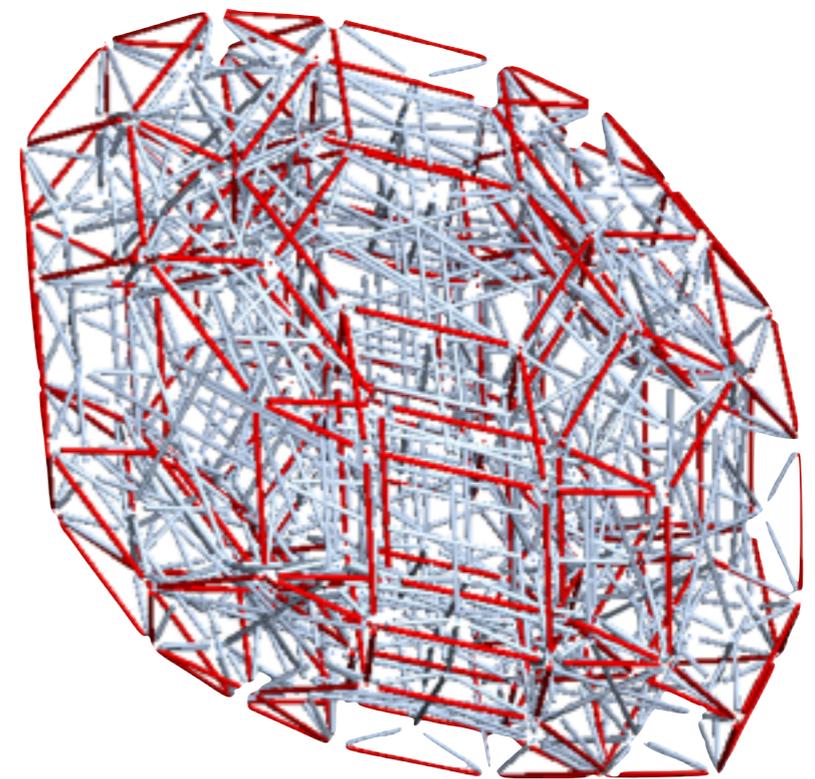
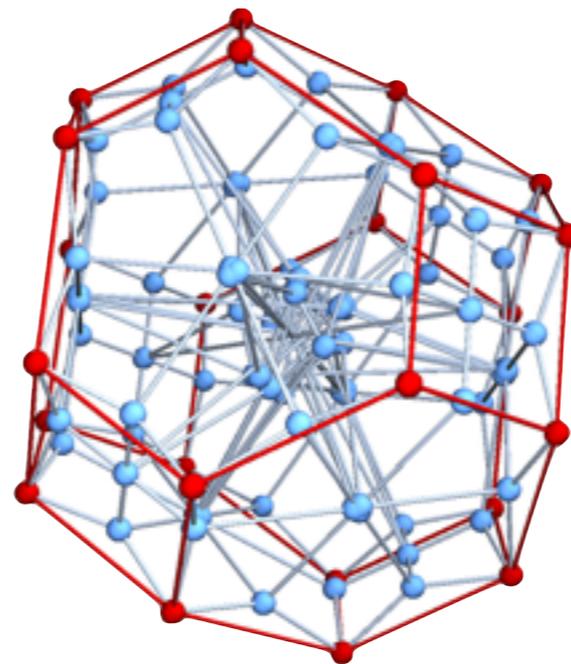
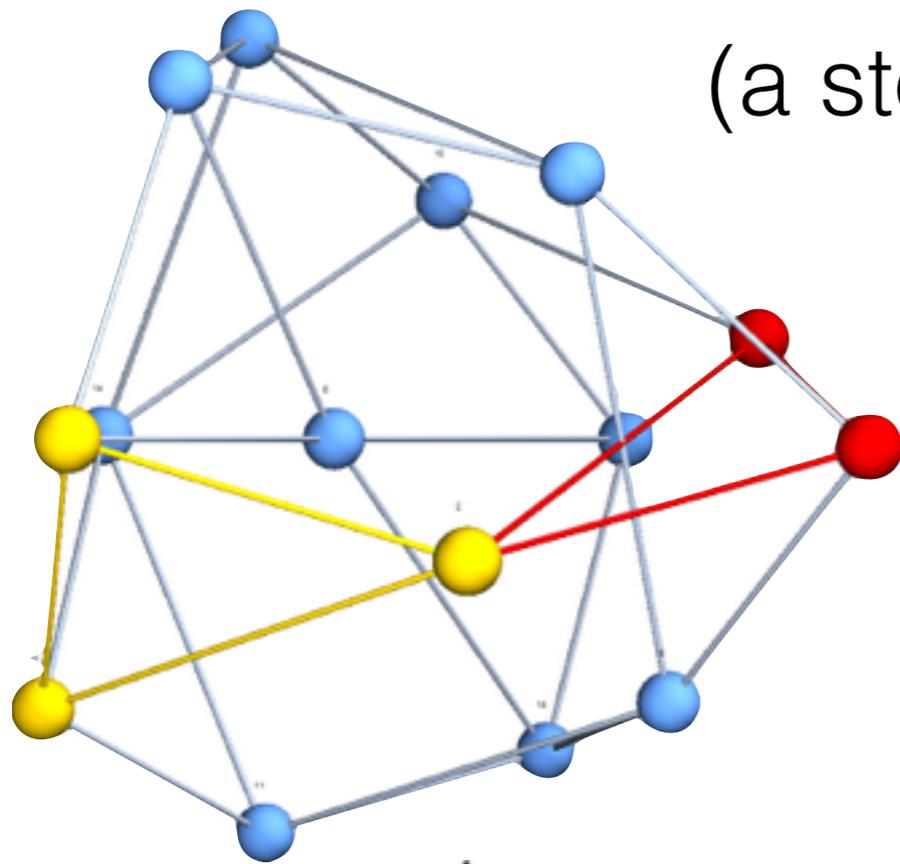


# Playful Constructions in Double Copy Predictions

(a story about stories)



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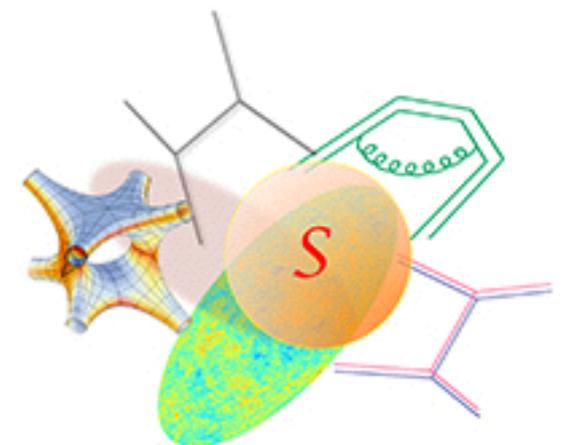
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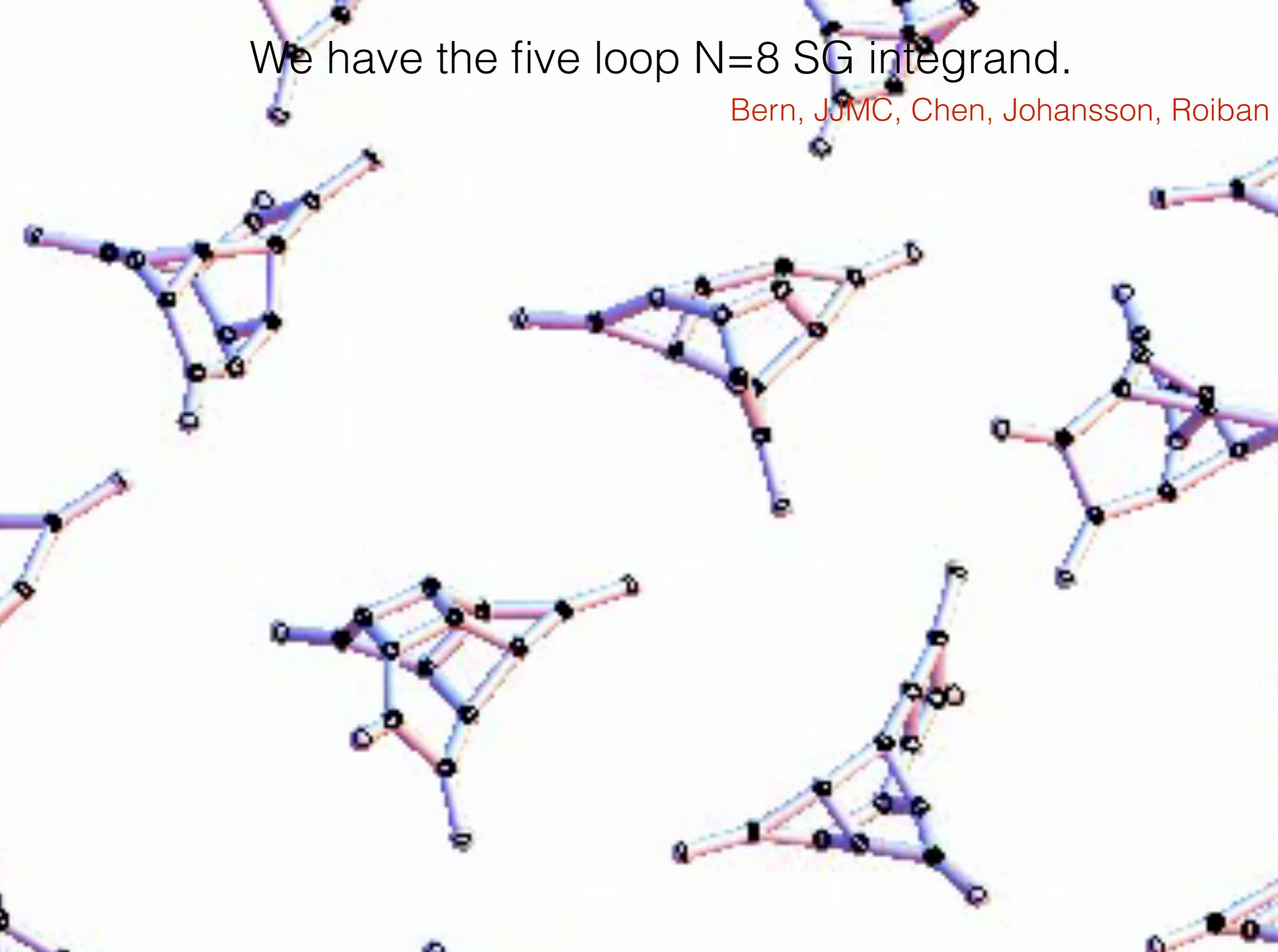
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*preQFT: Strategic Predictions for Quantum Field Theories*

We have the five loop N=8 SG integrand.

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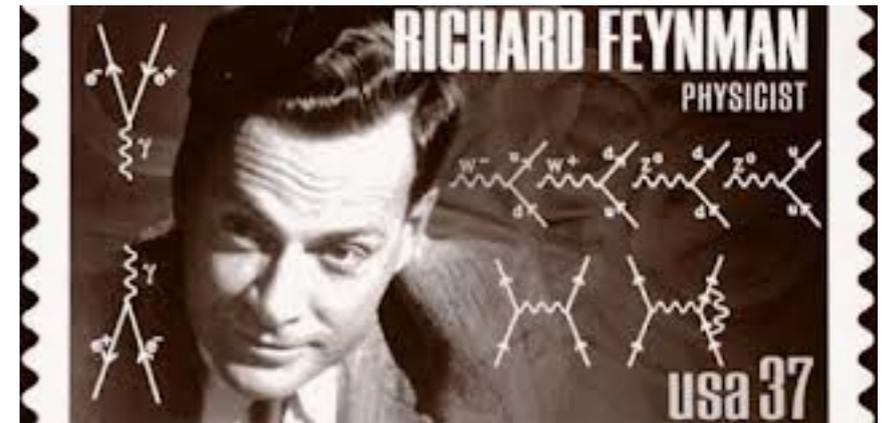
For more details see last talk of the conference on Friday:

- 11:30AM - Zvi Bern (UCLA) - *Generalized Double Copies and the Five-Loop Integrand of  $N = 8$  Supergravity*

Stories

# Quantum stories from Actions?

Use Feynman rules.



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

trees: semi-classical

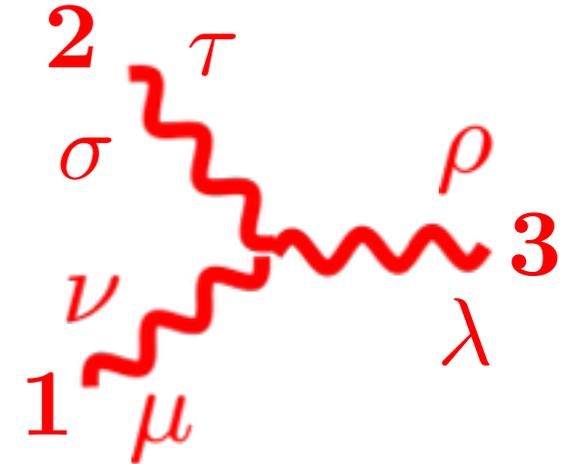
loops: increasing quantum corrections

Why don't we (typically) do this?

# Off-shell three-graviton vertex:

$$\begin{aligned}
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171 terms

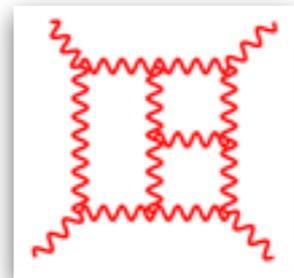


[DeWitt, 1967]

# Textbook approach crumbles:

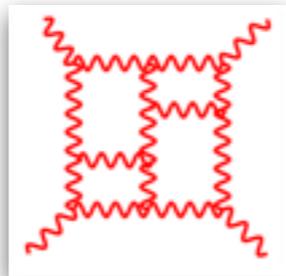
Feynman rules for a graviton: 171 terms per vertex  
3 terms per edge

A single 3  
loop diagram:



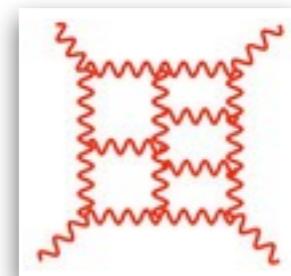
$\sim 10^{20}$   
TERMS

4 loop diagram:



$\sim 10^{26}$   
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5 loop diagram:

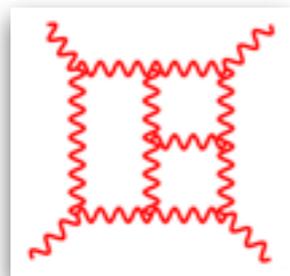


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**BUT FINAL EXPRESSIONS ARE TRACTABLE**

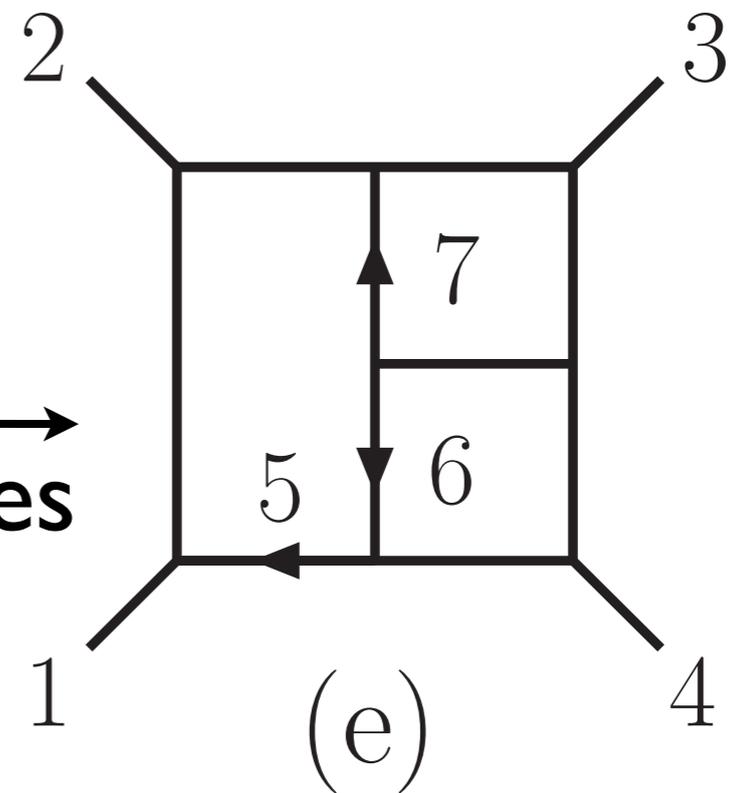
Vast majority of terms: unphysical freedom that must cancel

# MOST SYMMETRIC 4D THEORY, N=8 SUGRA



$\sim 10^{20}$   
TERMS

add all other particles



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

# Some secrets obscured by actions:

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

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

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

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

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

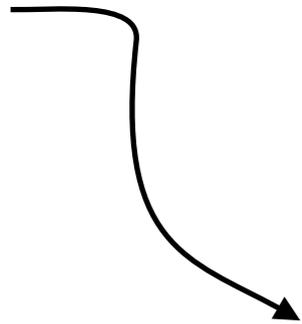
*Easy verification  $\Rightarrow$  Natural construction. Method of maximal cuts.*

Bern, JJMC, Johansson, Kosower ('07)



S - MATRIX  
REVOLUTIONS

the game of **Scattering Amplitudes**

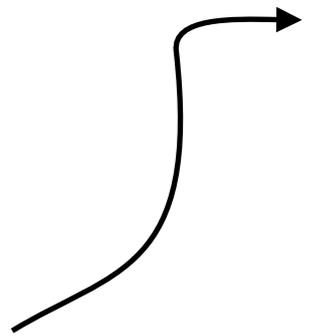


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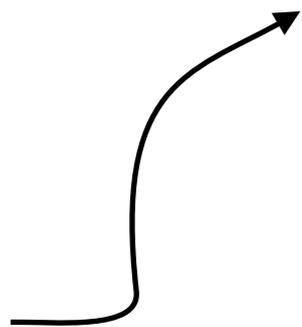
**[S — matrix]**

(all the interactions!)

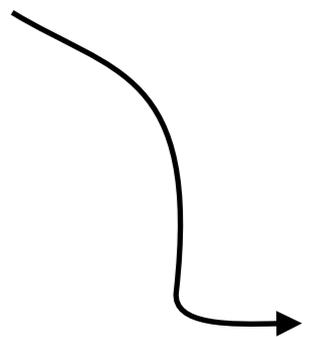


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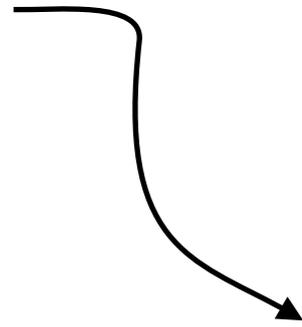
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Key Property: GAUGE INVARIANT

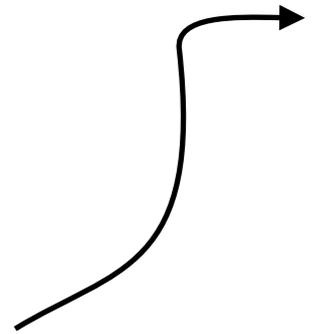
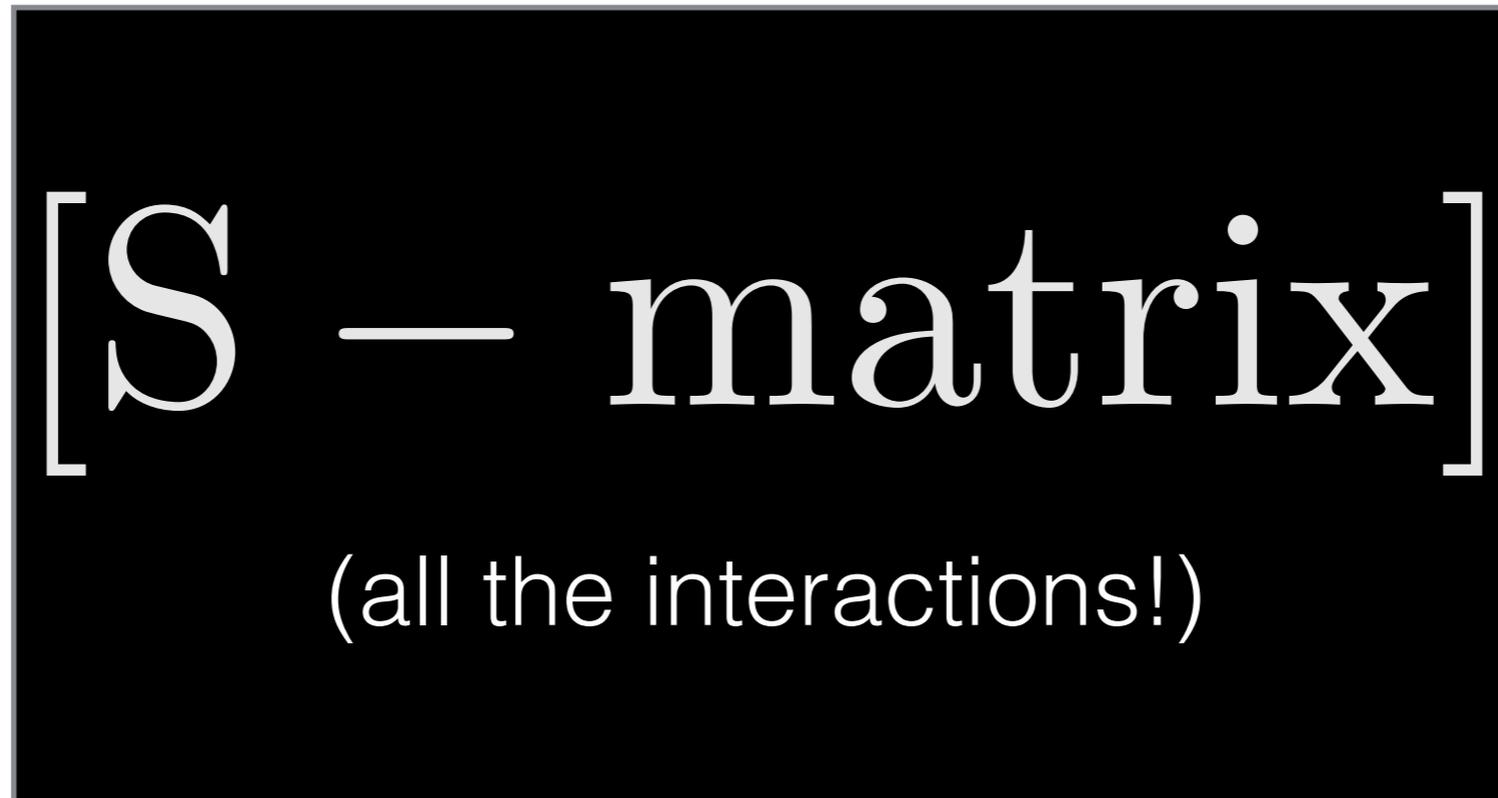


the game of **Scattering Amplitudes**



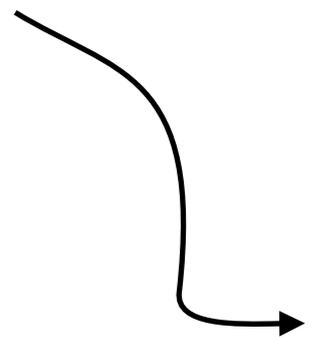
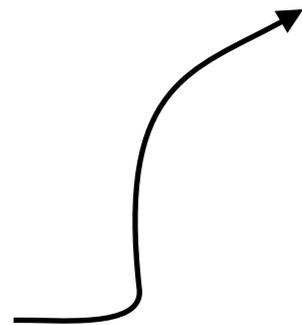
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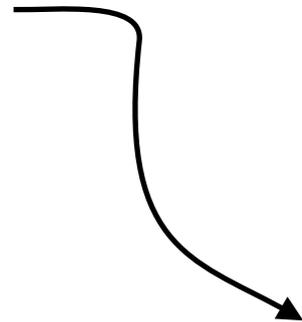
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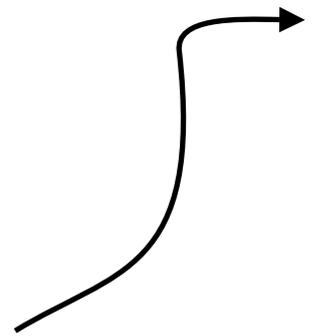
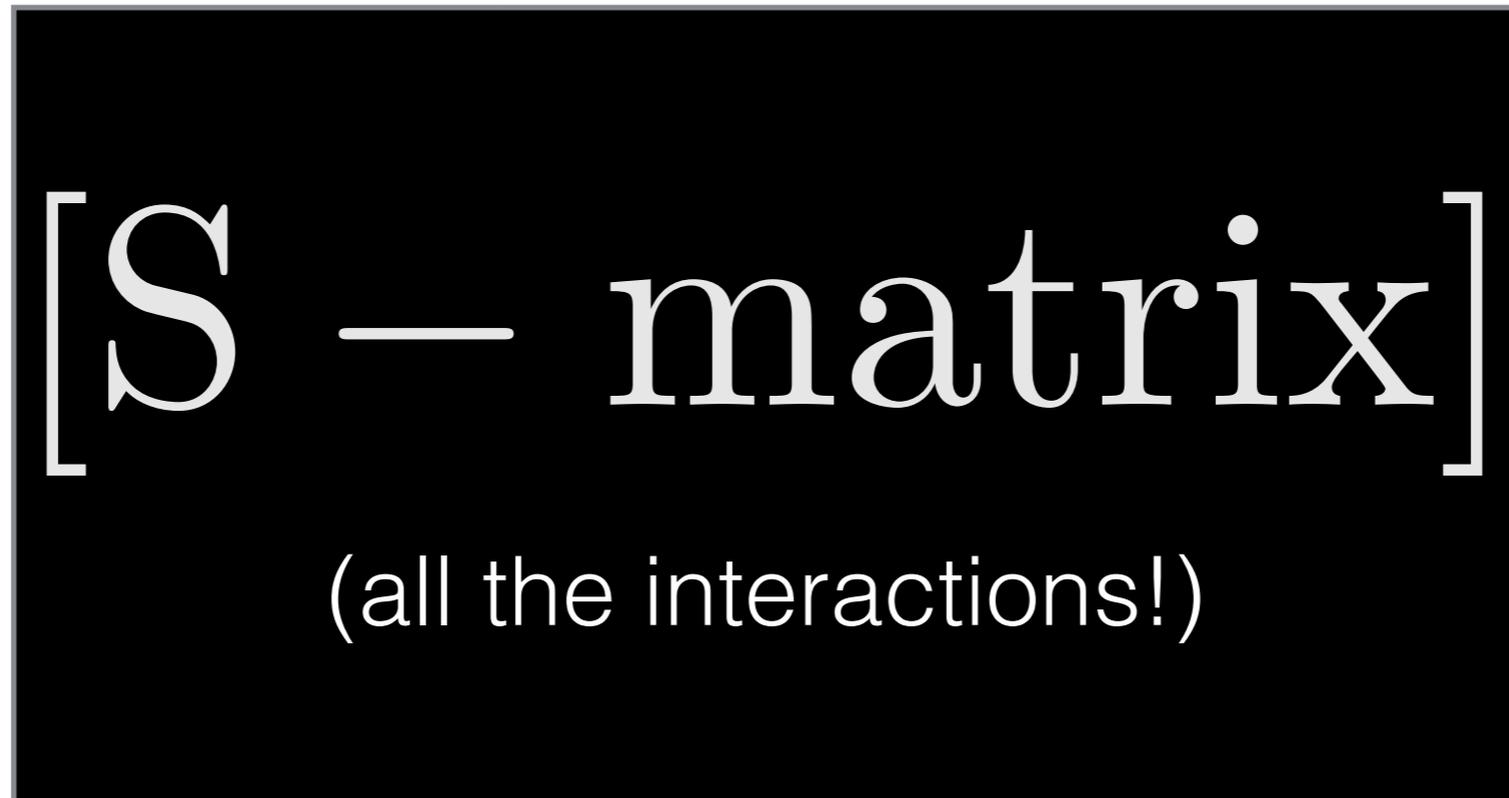
# the game of Scattering Amplitudes

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



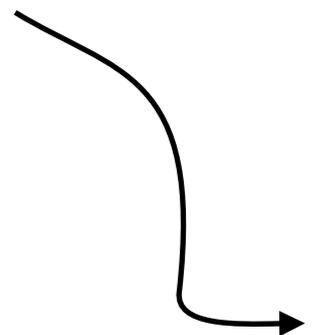
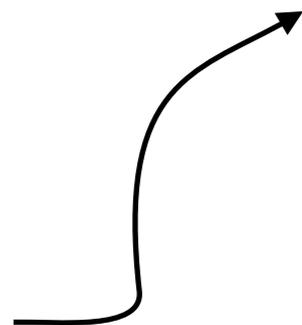
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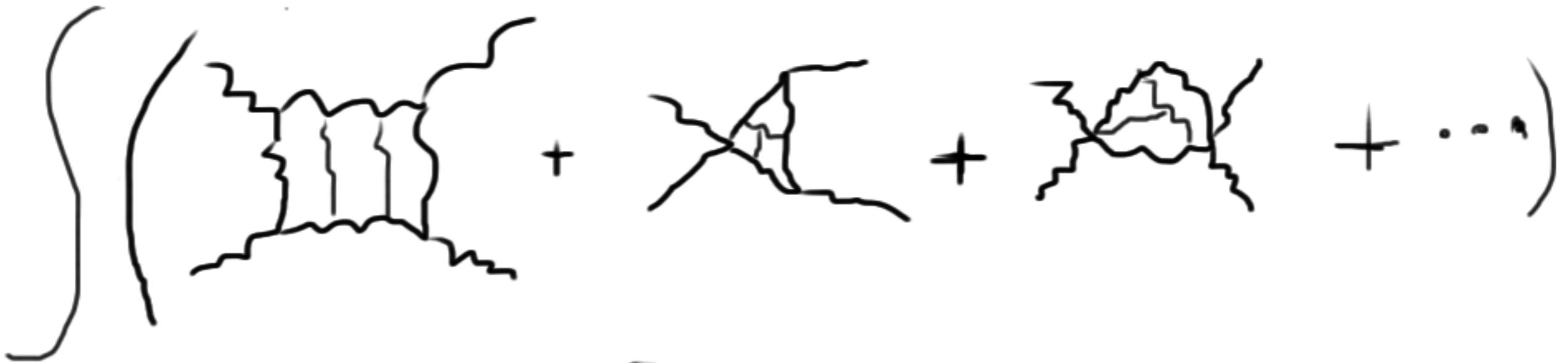
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Same predictions, but definitely different stories

# NECESSARY



$\equiv$  expression

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$$\int \left( \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} + \dots \right) \\ = \int \sum_g \frac{n^{\circ} g}{d^{\circ} g}$$

The image shows a mathematical equation. The left side is an integral of a sum of diagrams. The first diagram is a genus-3 surface with four external legs. The second diagram is a genus-2 surface with four external legs. The third diagram is a genus-1 surface with four external legs. The right side is an integral of a sum over genus  $g$  of the ratio of the number of vertices  $n^{\circ} g$  to the number of edges  $d^{\circ} g$ .

# SUFFICIENT

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

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

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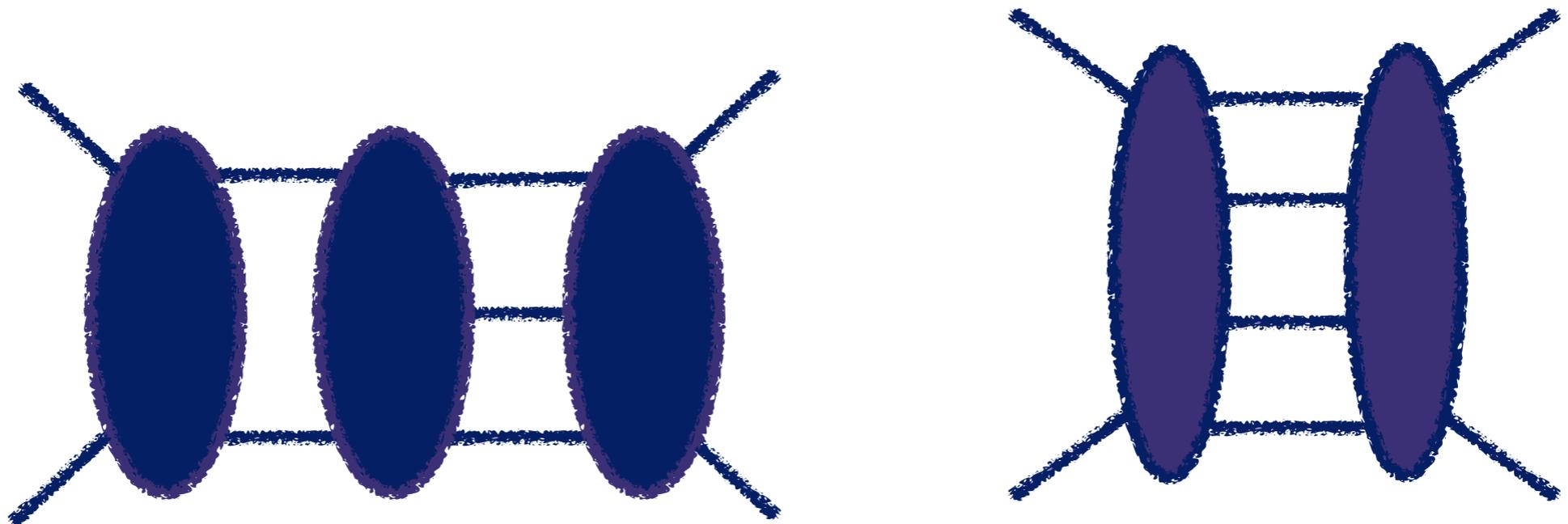
Britto, Cachazo, and  
Feng ('04)

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

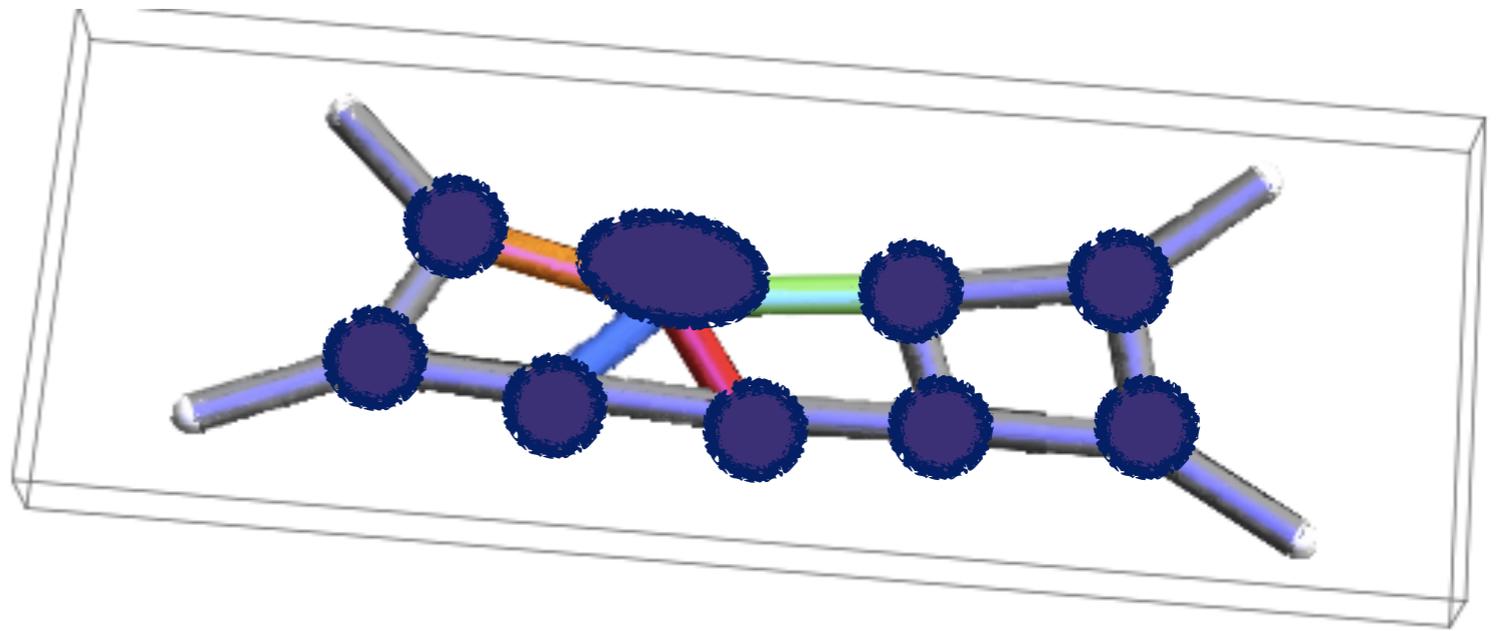
# TREE-LEVEL CUT

$$\mathcal{U}_c^{(0)} \left( \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} + \dots \right)$$

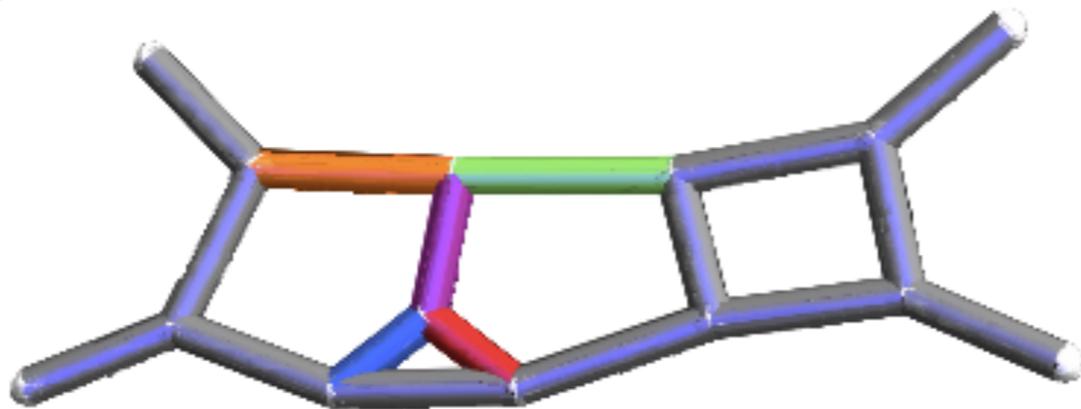
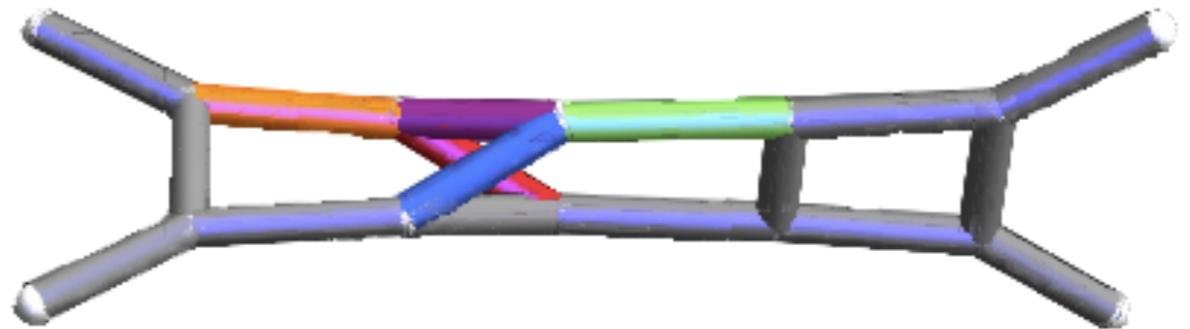
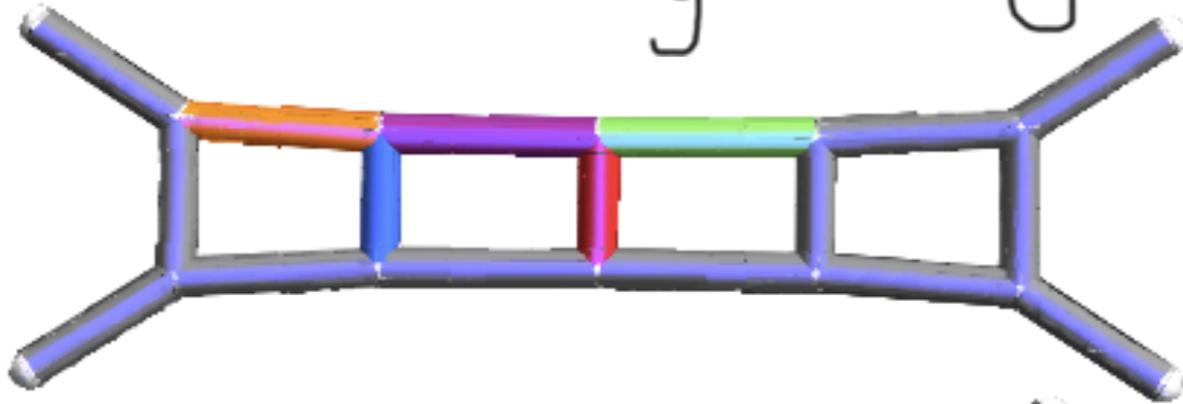
$$\equiv \sum_{\text{int states}} \mathcal{M}_{U_{c,1}}^{(0)} \mathcal{M}_{U_{c,2}}^{(0)} \cdots \mathcal{M}_{U_{c,m}}^{(0)}$$



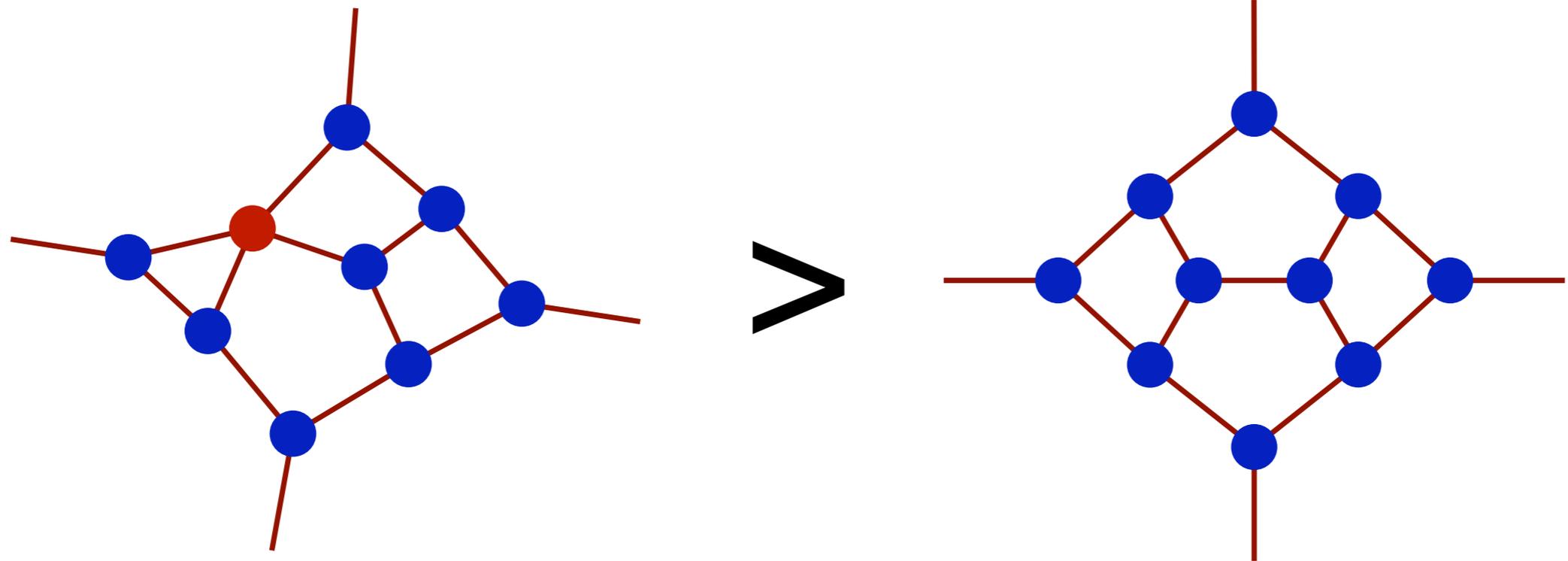
Simple Cut:



$$\mathcal{U}_c \sum_g \frac{n(g)}{d(g)} \equiv \sum_{g_c} \frac{n(g_c)}{d(g_c)}$$



# SPANNING CUTS



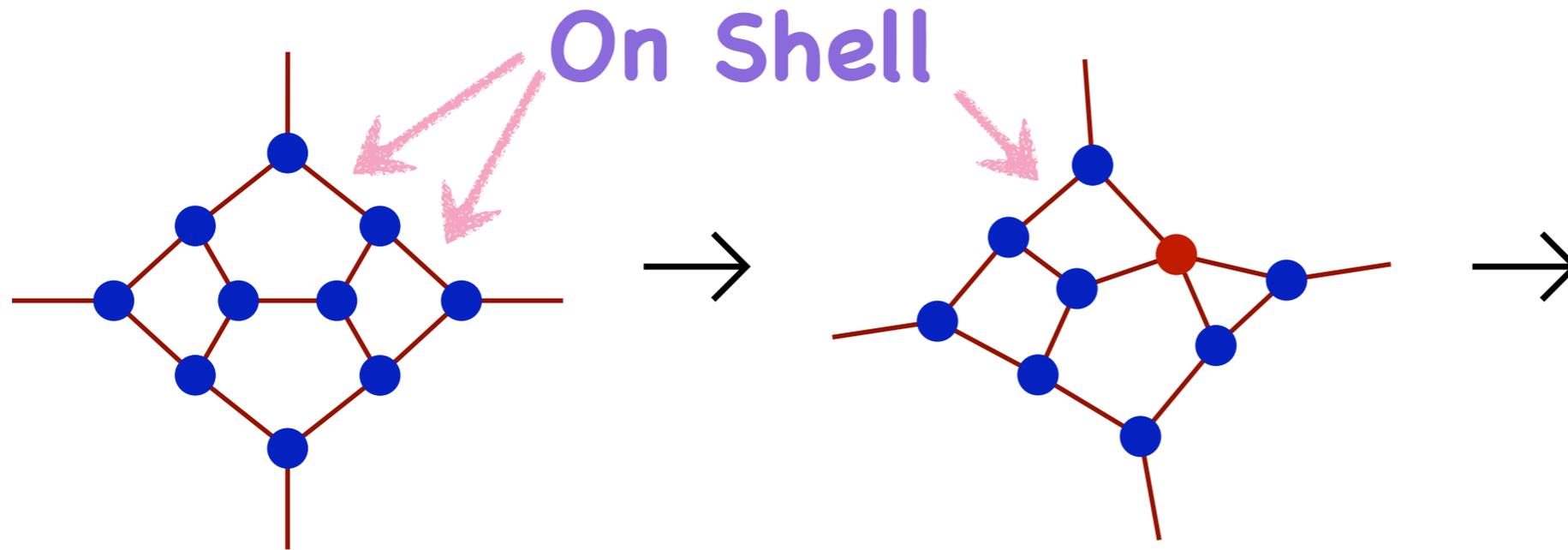
leads to notion of a **Minimal Spanning Set**

EASY VERIFICATION

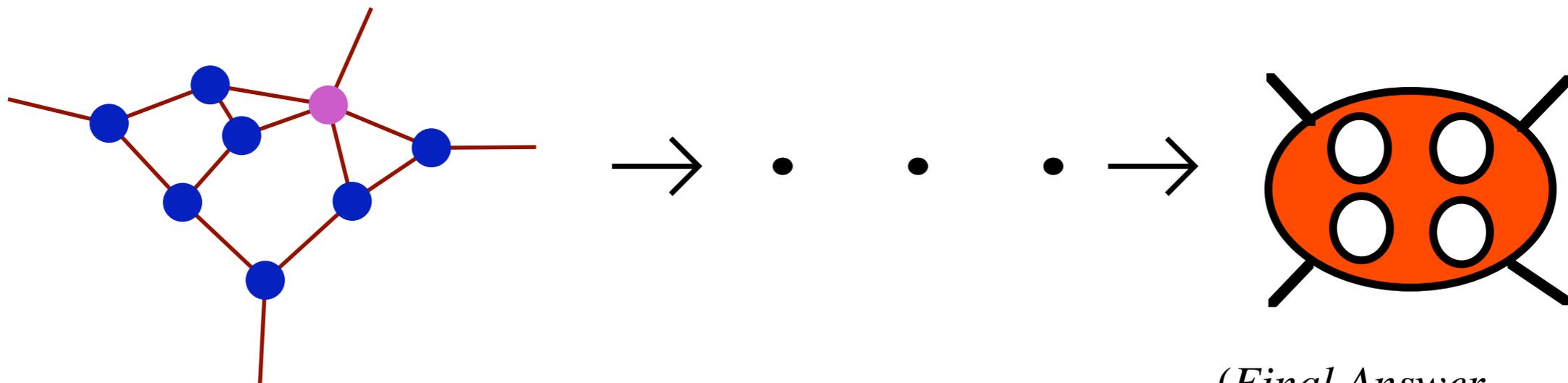
EASY VERIFICATION  $\longrightarrow$  NATURAL CONSTRUCTION

## METHOD OF MAXIMAL CUTS

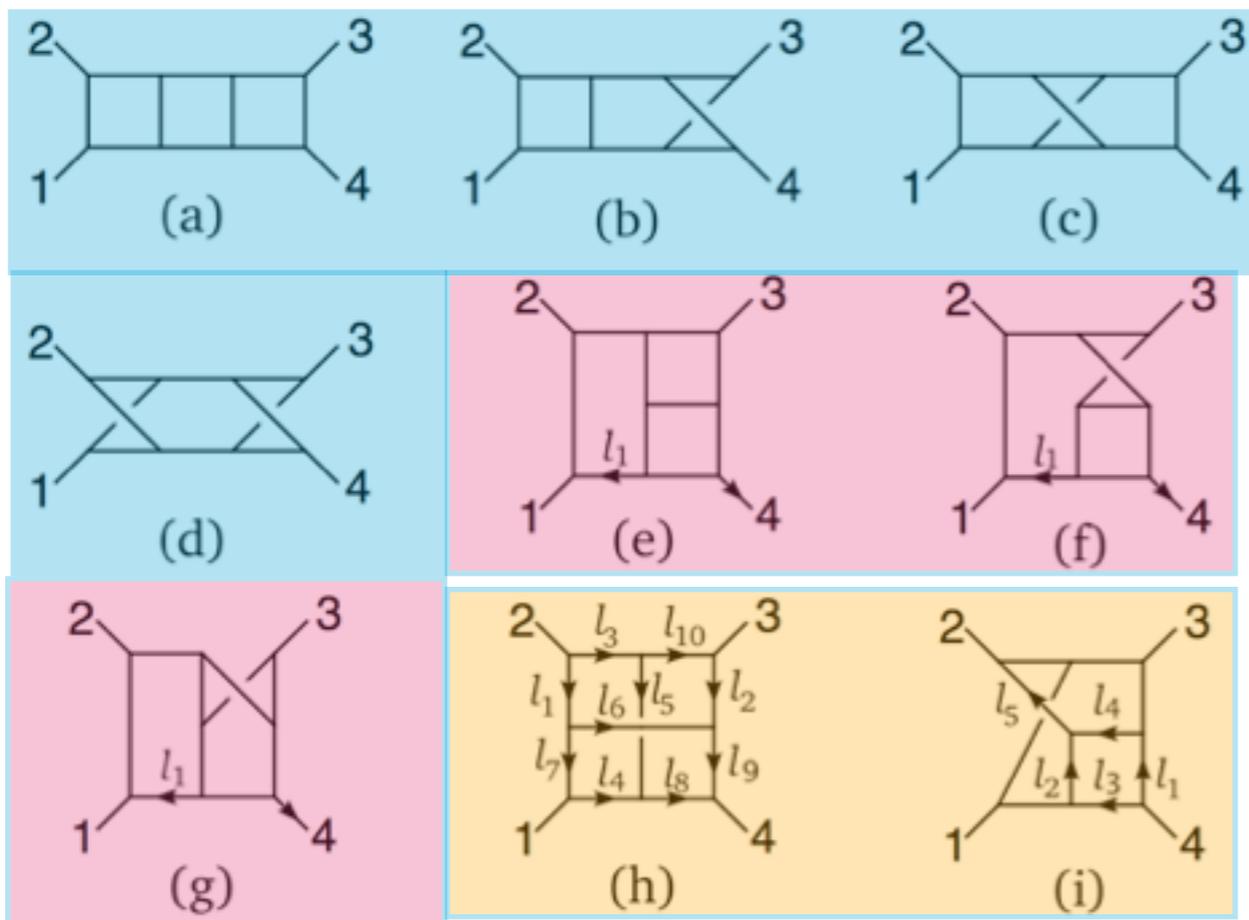
Bern, JJMC, Kosower, Johansson ('07)



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

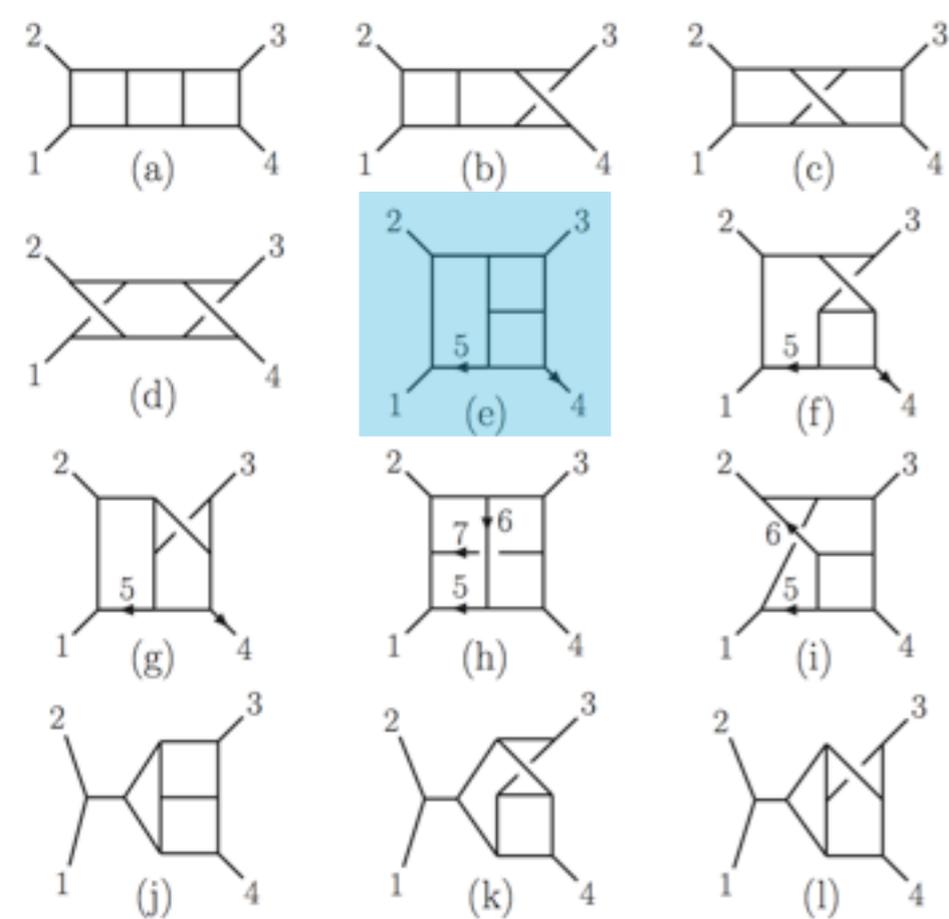


(Final Answer,  
no cut conditions!)



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

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



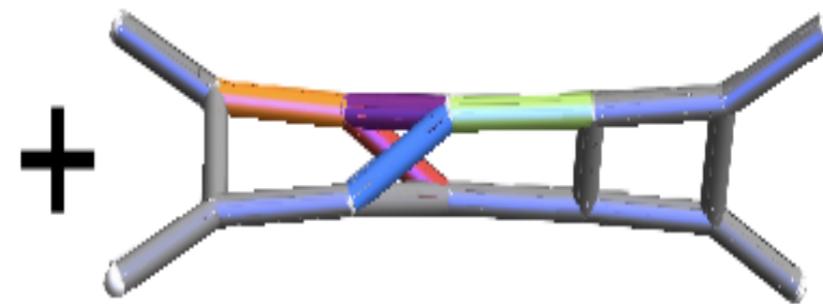
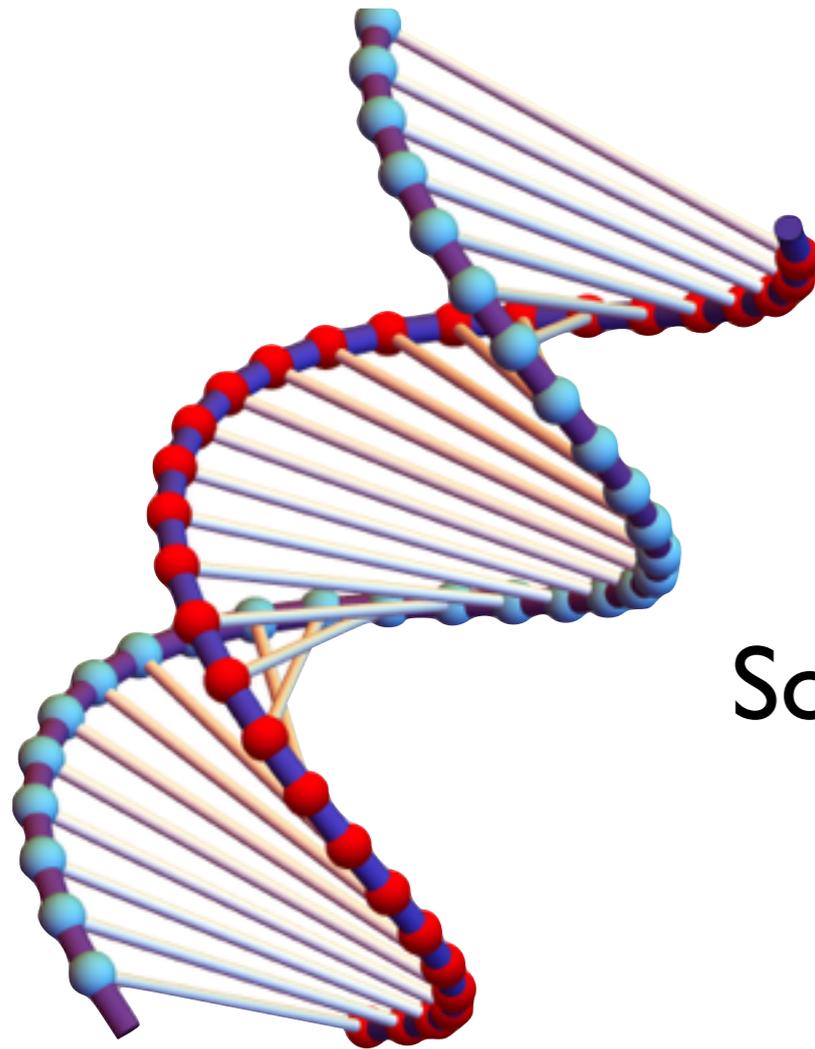
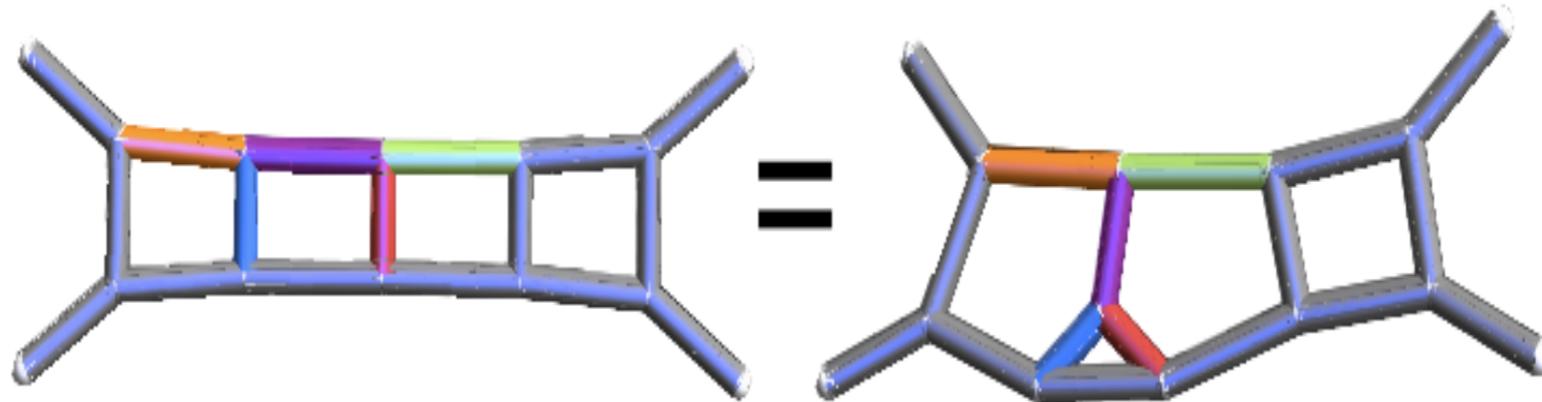
# Cubic Double-Copy Solution

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

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

# Color-Kinematics and Double Copy Construction

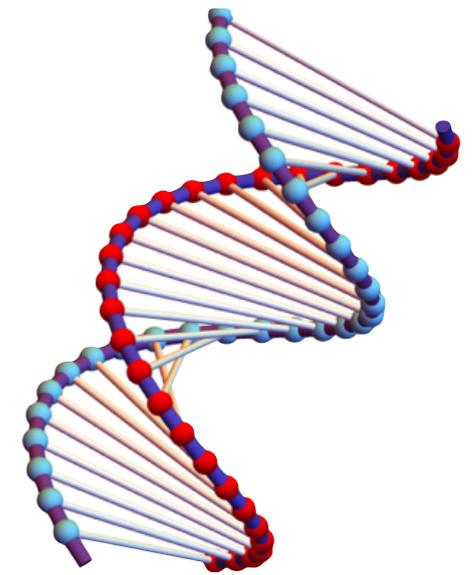
Color and Kinematics dance together.



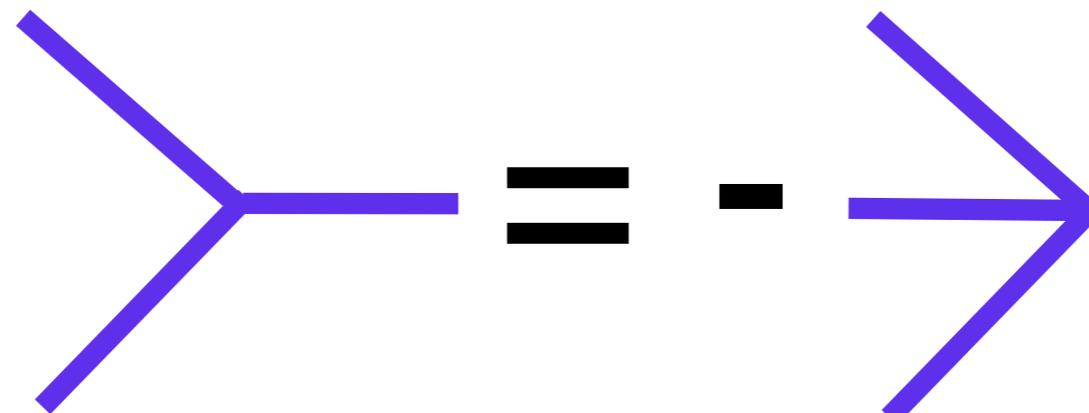
Solving Yang-Mills theories means solving Gravity theories.

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

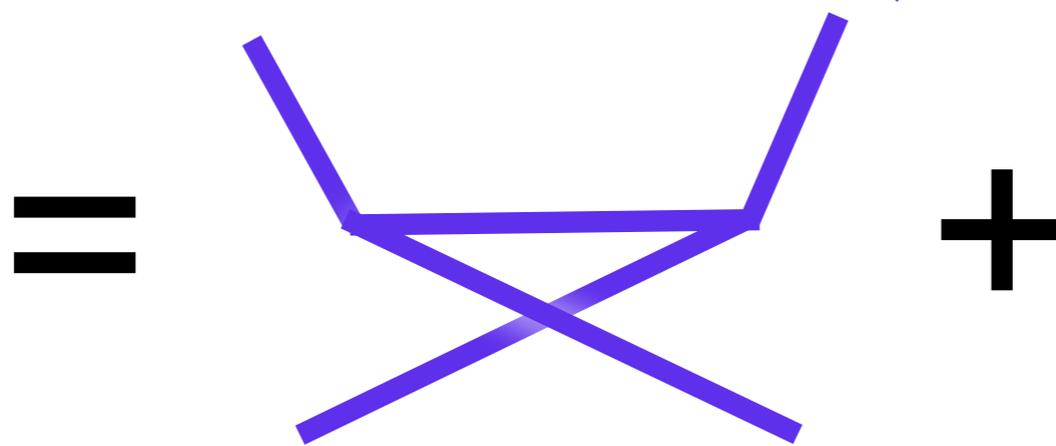
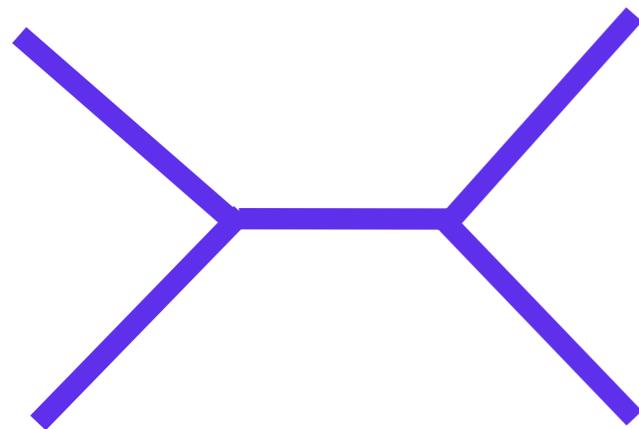
$$A_m^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \frac{c(\mathcal{G})n(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$



Color factors and numerator factors satisfy similar lie algebra properties



Vertex Antisymmetry

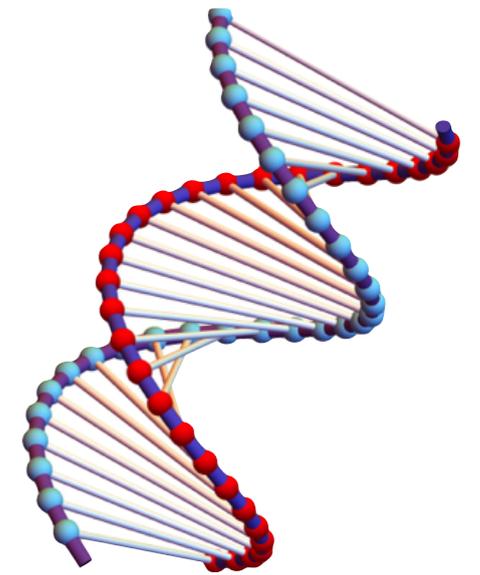


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## Color-Kinematic Duality!

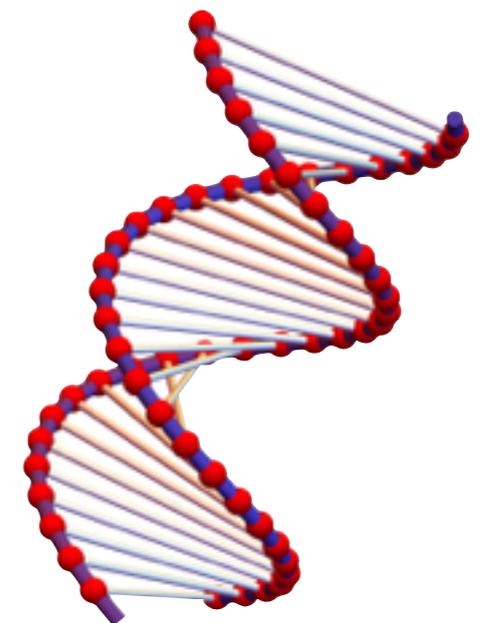
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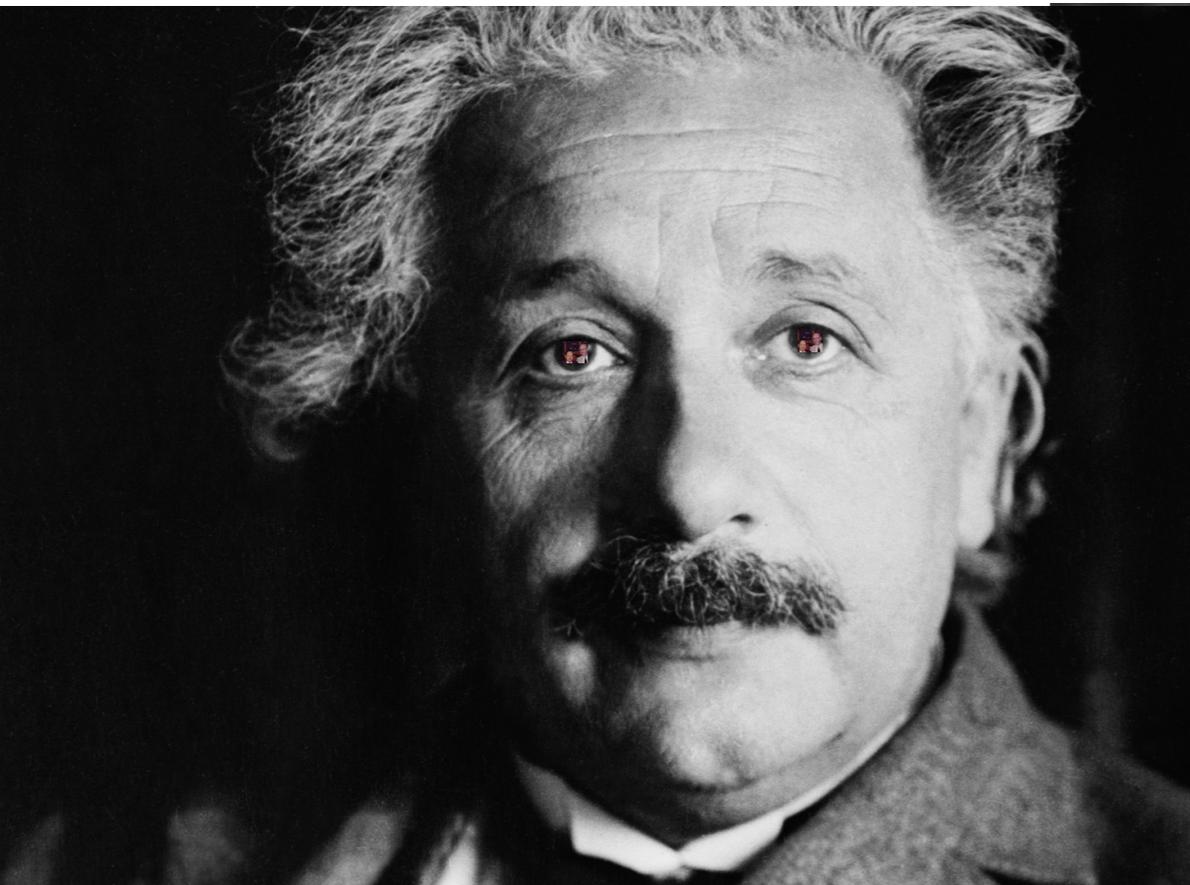
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YM: Color-Kinematic Duality, makes manifest gravitational double copy structure:

$$-iM_n^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \frac{n(\mathcal{G})\tilde{n}(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$





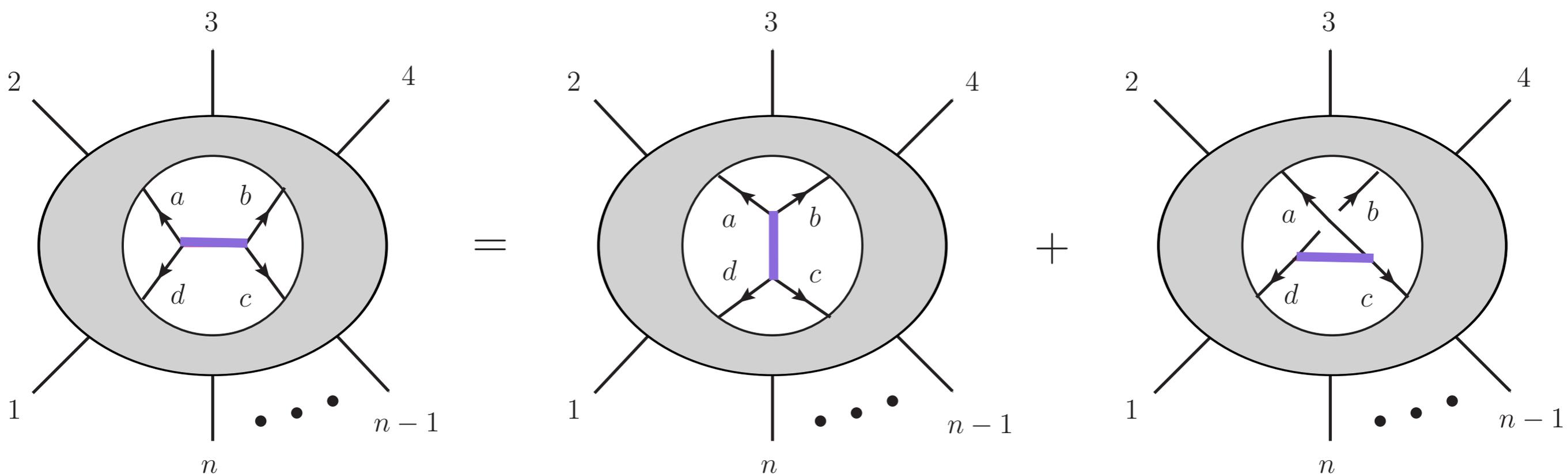
$$GR = YM^2$$



# Valid multi-loop generalization?

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

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



**Consequence of unitarity: double copy structure holds.**

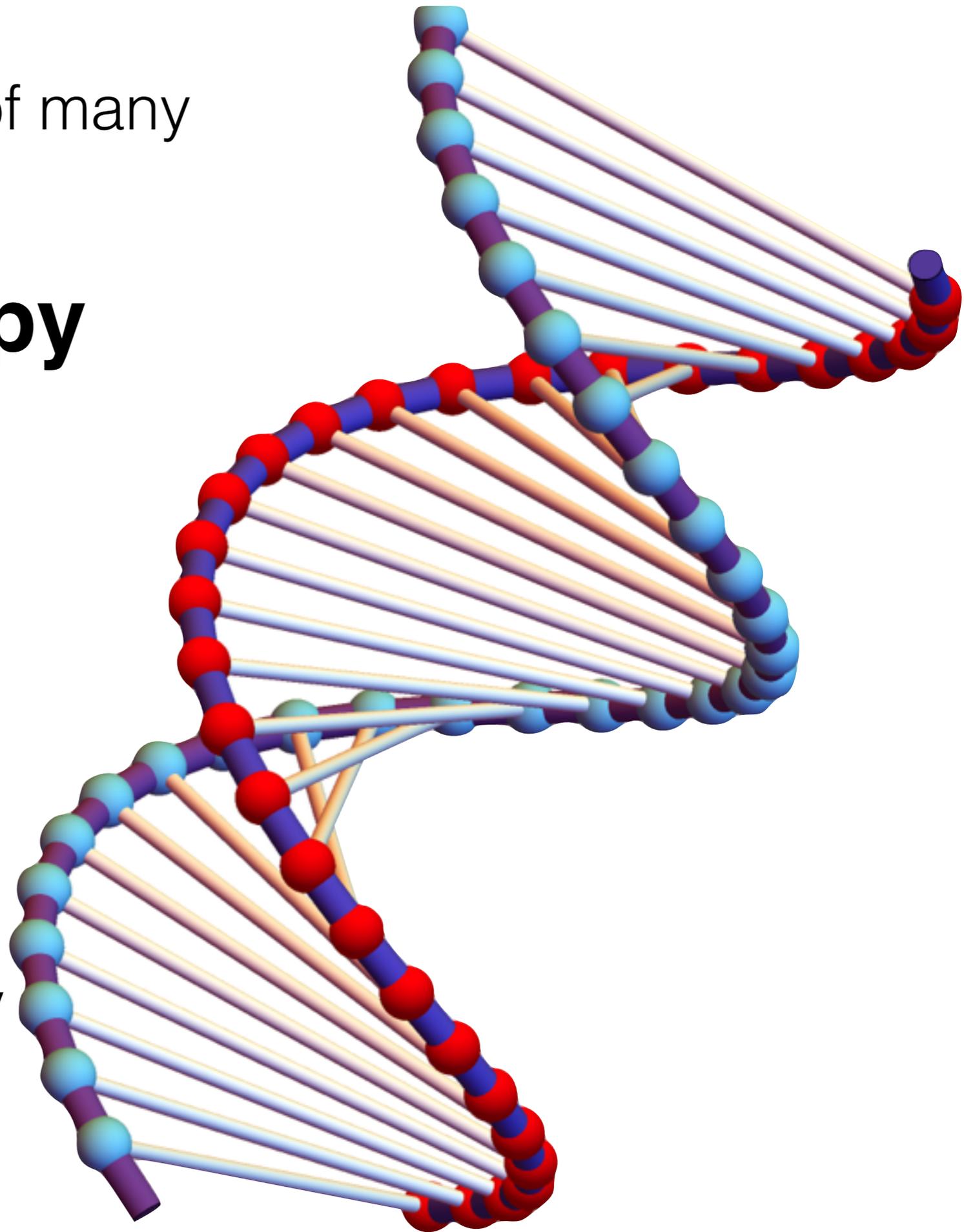
$$\frac{(-i)^{L+1}}{(\kappa/2)^{n-2+2L}} \mathcal{M}^{\text{loop}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \int \prod_{l=1}^L \frac{d^D p_l}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{1}{S(\mathcal{G})} \frac{n(\mathcal{G})\tilde{n}(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$

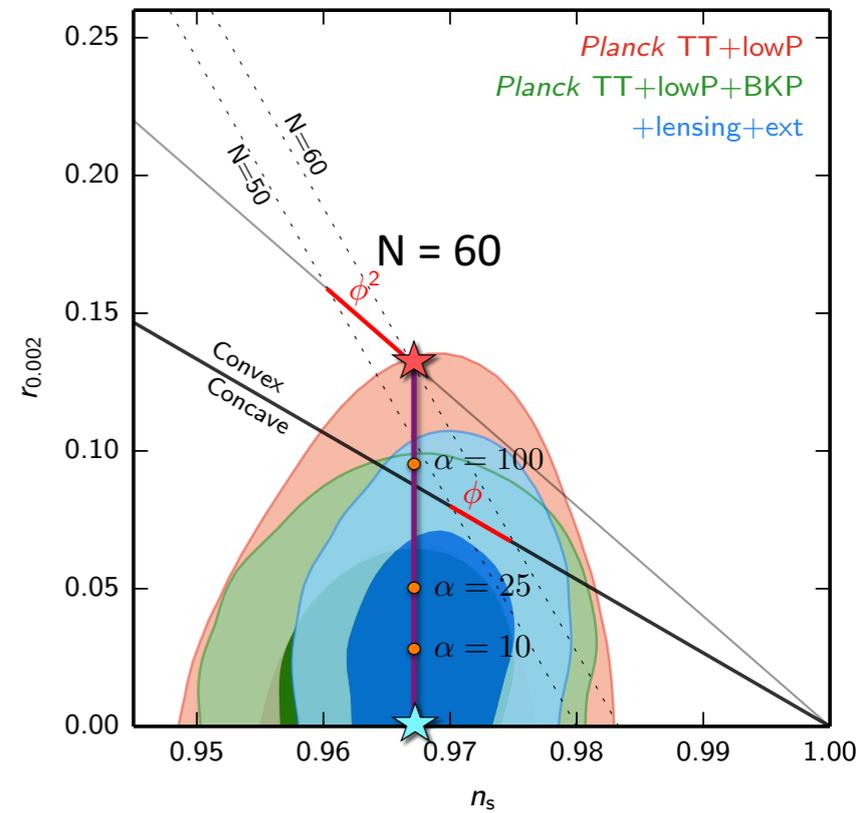
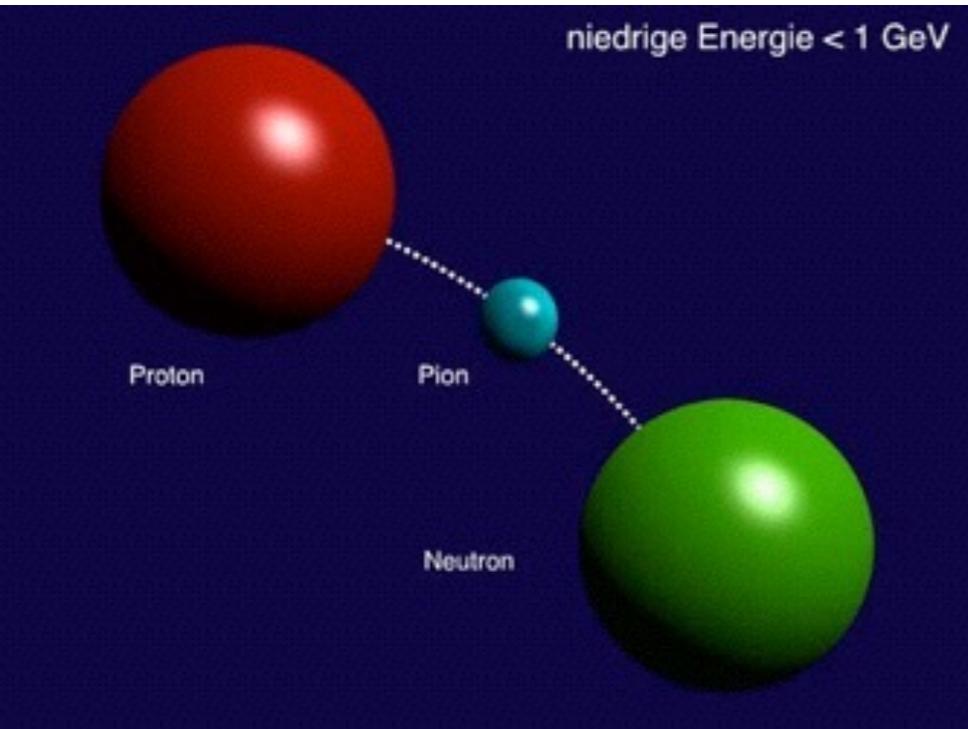
The scattering amplitudes of many relativistic theories admit a:

# **D**ouble-copy **N**umerator **A**lgebra

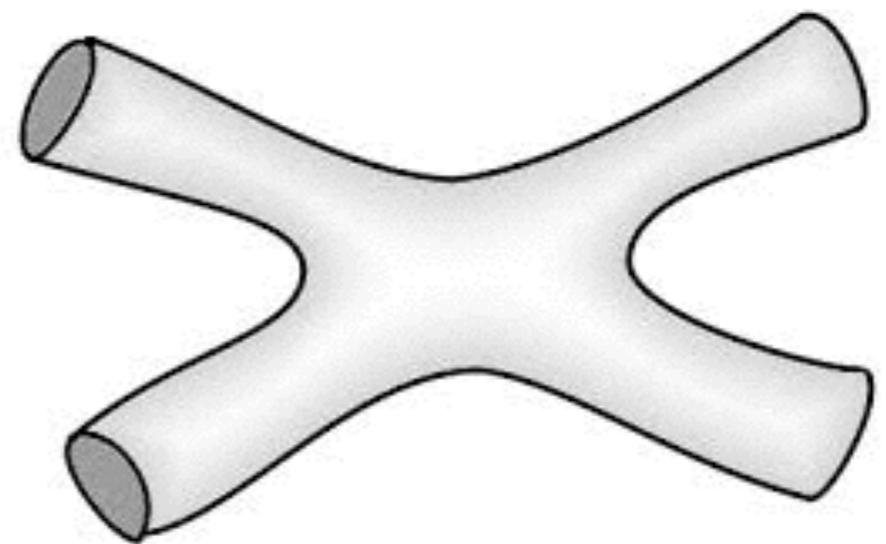
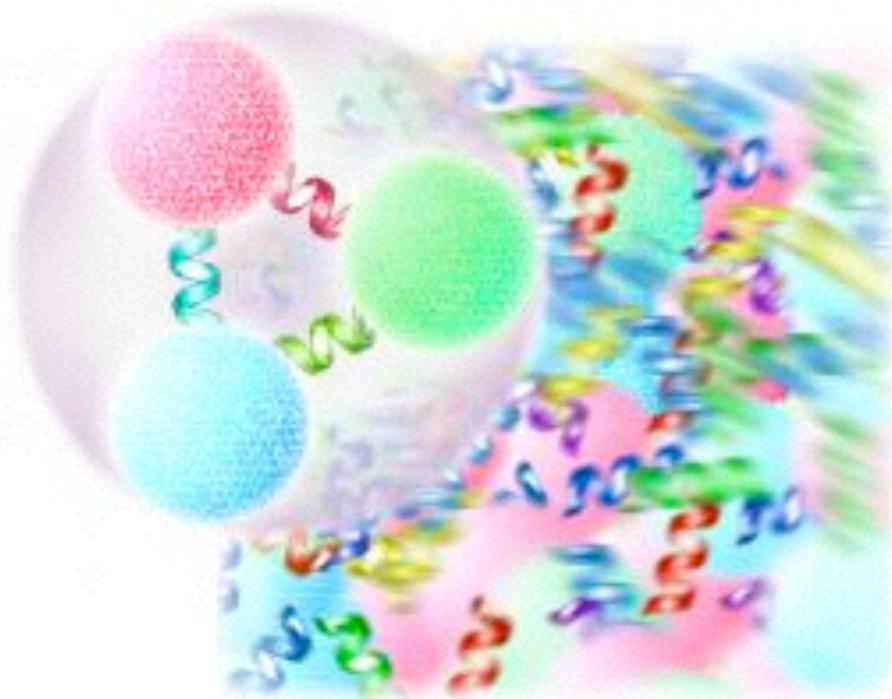
This points to previously hidden structure in many theories.

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





Many theories are double copy!



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

Bi-Adjoint Scalar:

color  $\otimes$  color

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

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

color  $\otimes$  spin-1

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

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

spin-1  $\otimes$  spin-1

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

NLSM / Chiral Lagrangian:

“color”  $\otimes$  even-spin-0

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

(S)Born-Infeld:

spin-1  $\otimes$  even-spin-0

Cachazo, He, Yuan '14

Galileon:

even-spin-0  $\otimes$  even-spin-0

Cachazo, He, Yuan '14 Cheung, Shen '16

**Open String:**

$\alpha'$   $\otimes$  spin-1

Broedel, Schlotterer, Stieberger

**Closed String:**

spin-1  $\otimes$   $\alpha'$  corrected spin-1

Broedel, Schlotterer, Stieberger

**Z-theory:**

$\alpha'$   $\otimes$  “color”

Broedel, Schlotterer, Stieberger; JJMC, Mafra, Schlotterer

a geometric guide to color-kinematics

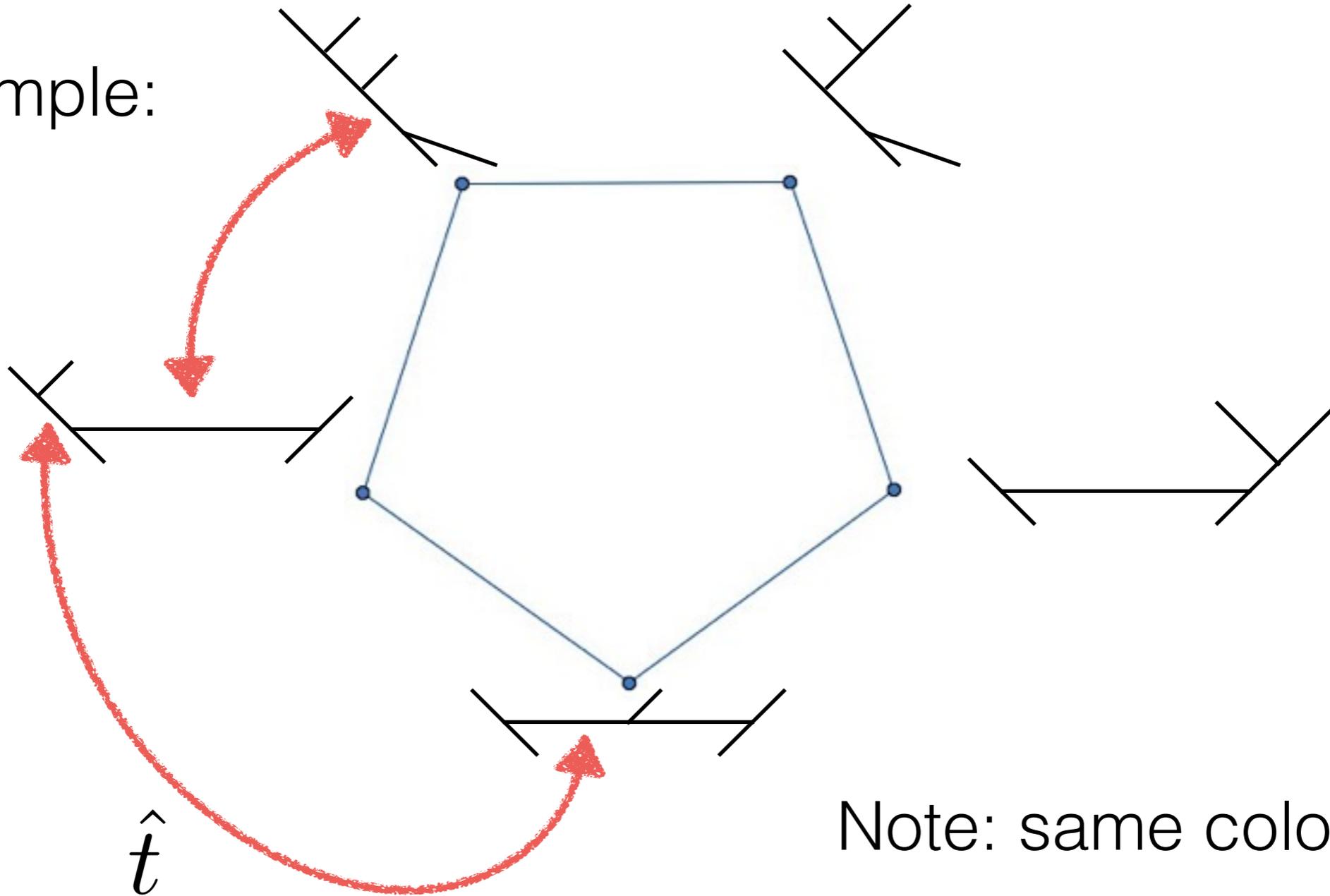
# Physics = Geometry

(the best polytopes are graphs of graphs!)



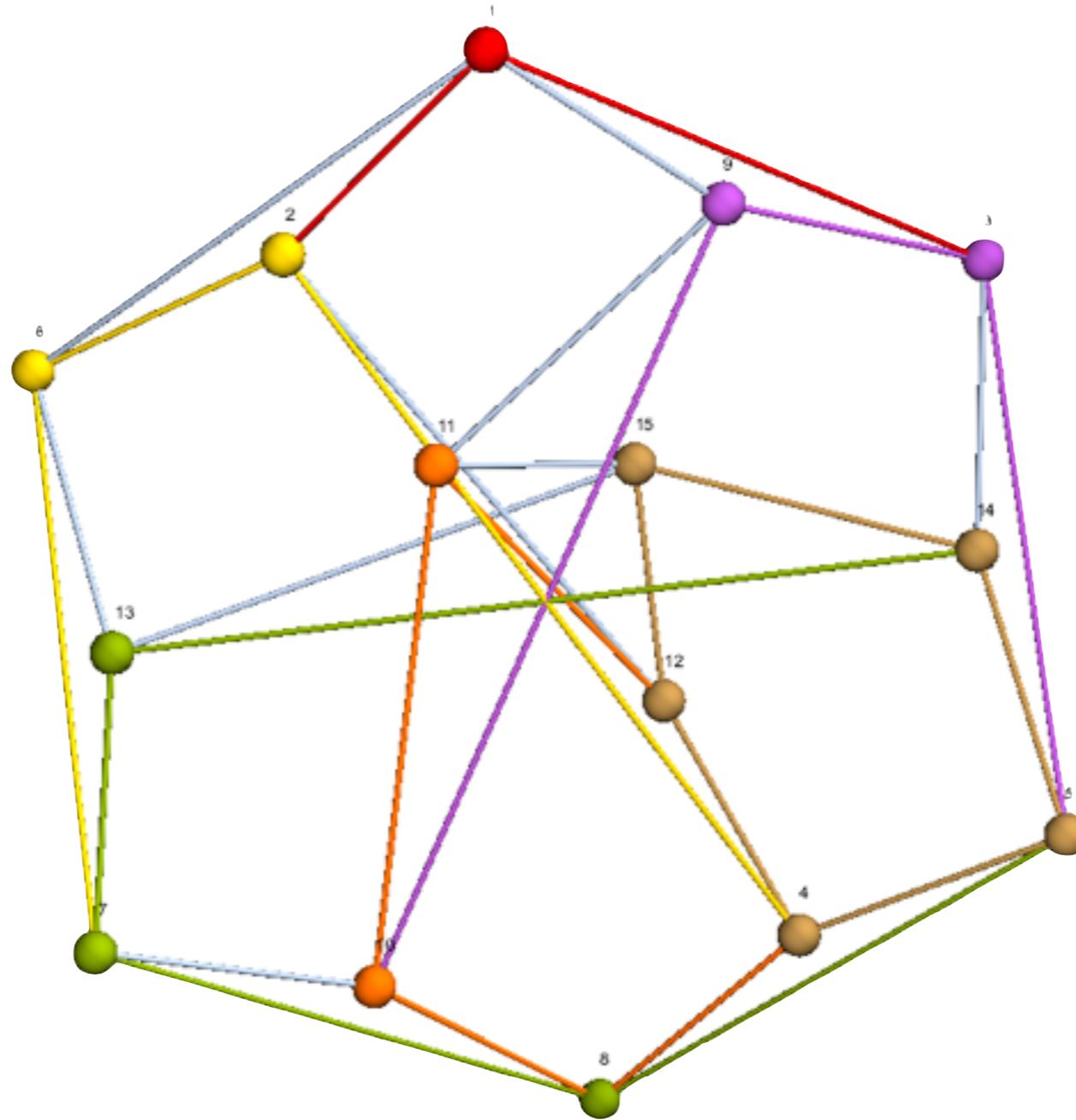
Graphs contributing to a **color-stripped** tree, generate the 1-skeleton of **Stasheff polytopes** joined only by  $\hat{t}$

5pt example:

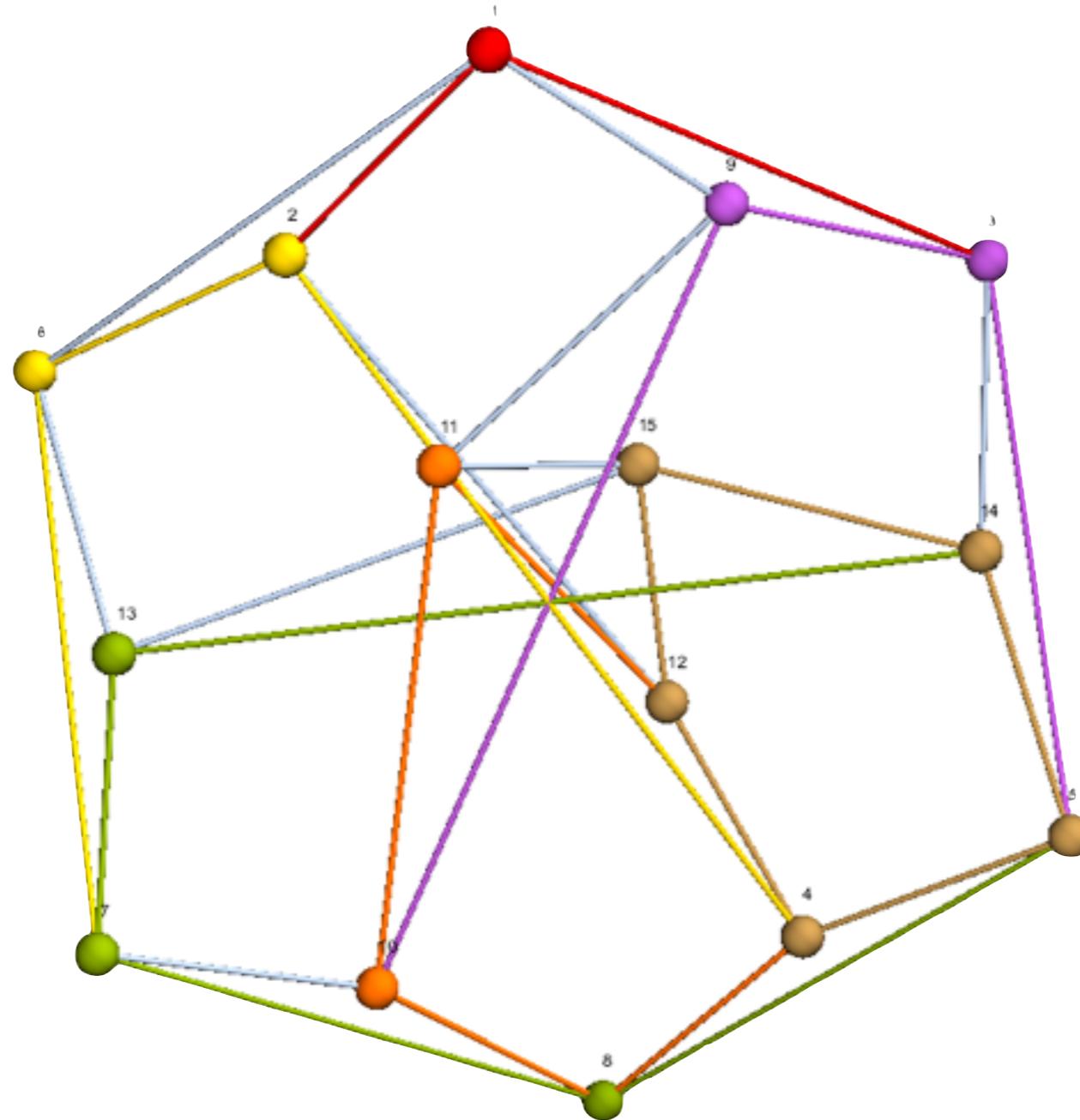


(these polytopes are also called **associahedra**)

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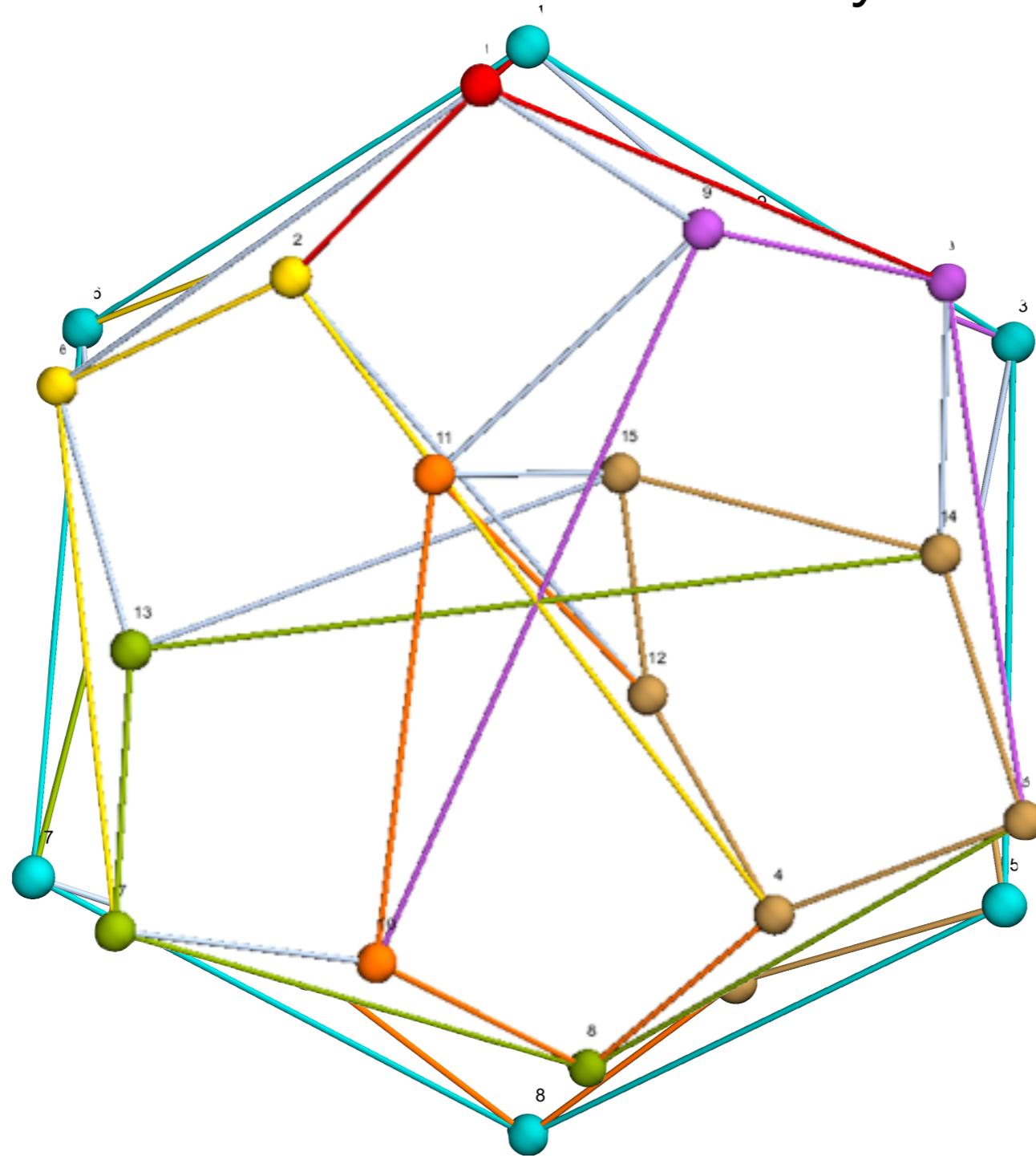


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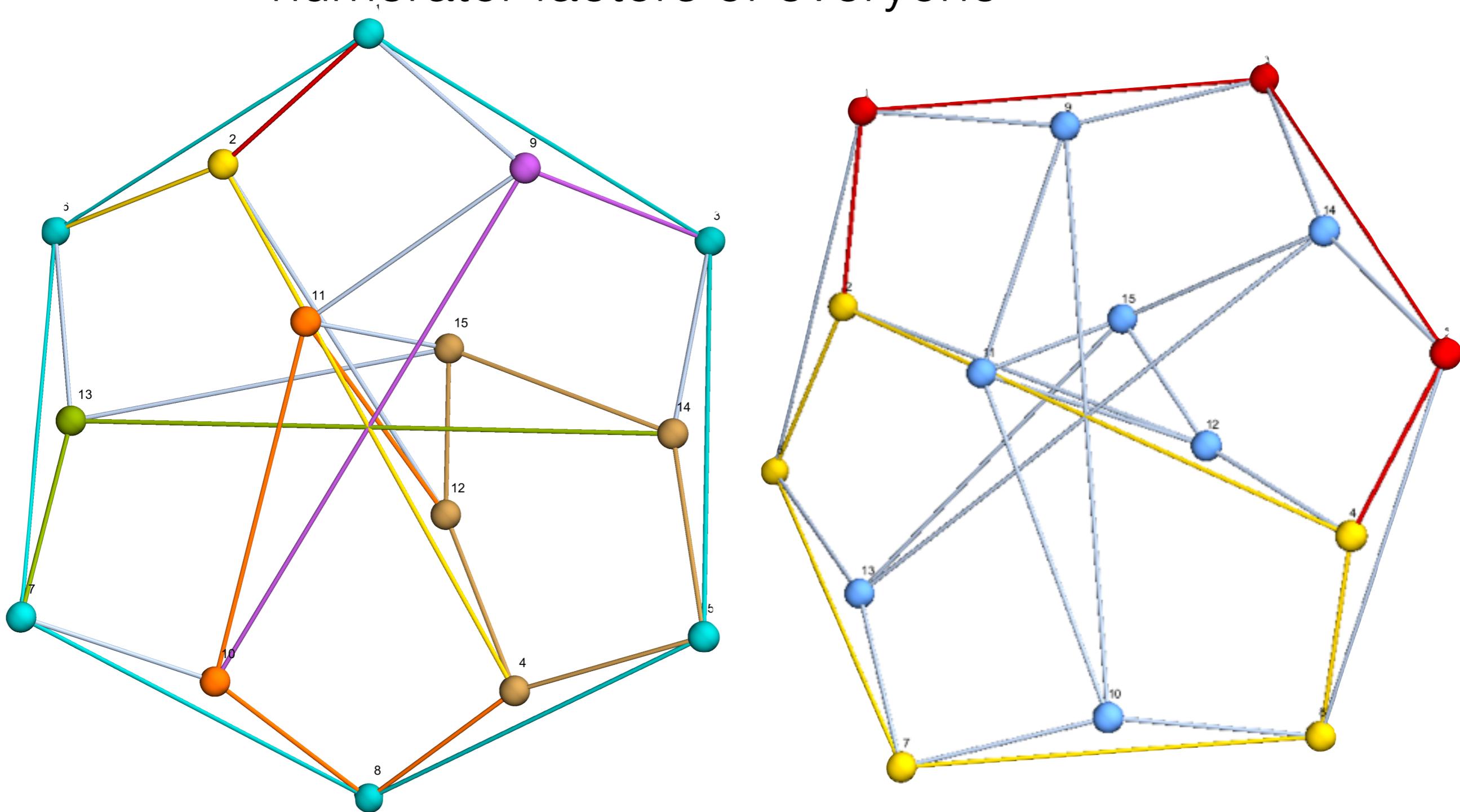


In fact, such a choice is the KK-basis, proven sufficient by Del Duca, Dixon, and Maltoni

But notice, because of color-kinematics, only  $(m-2)!$  nodes are needed to specify both the color factors and numerator factors of everyone

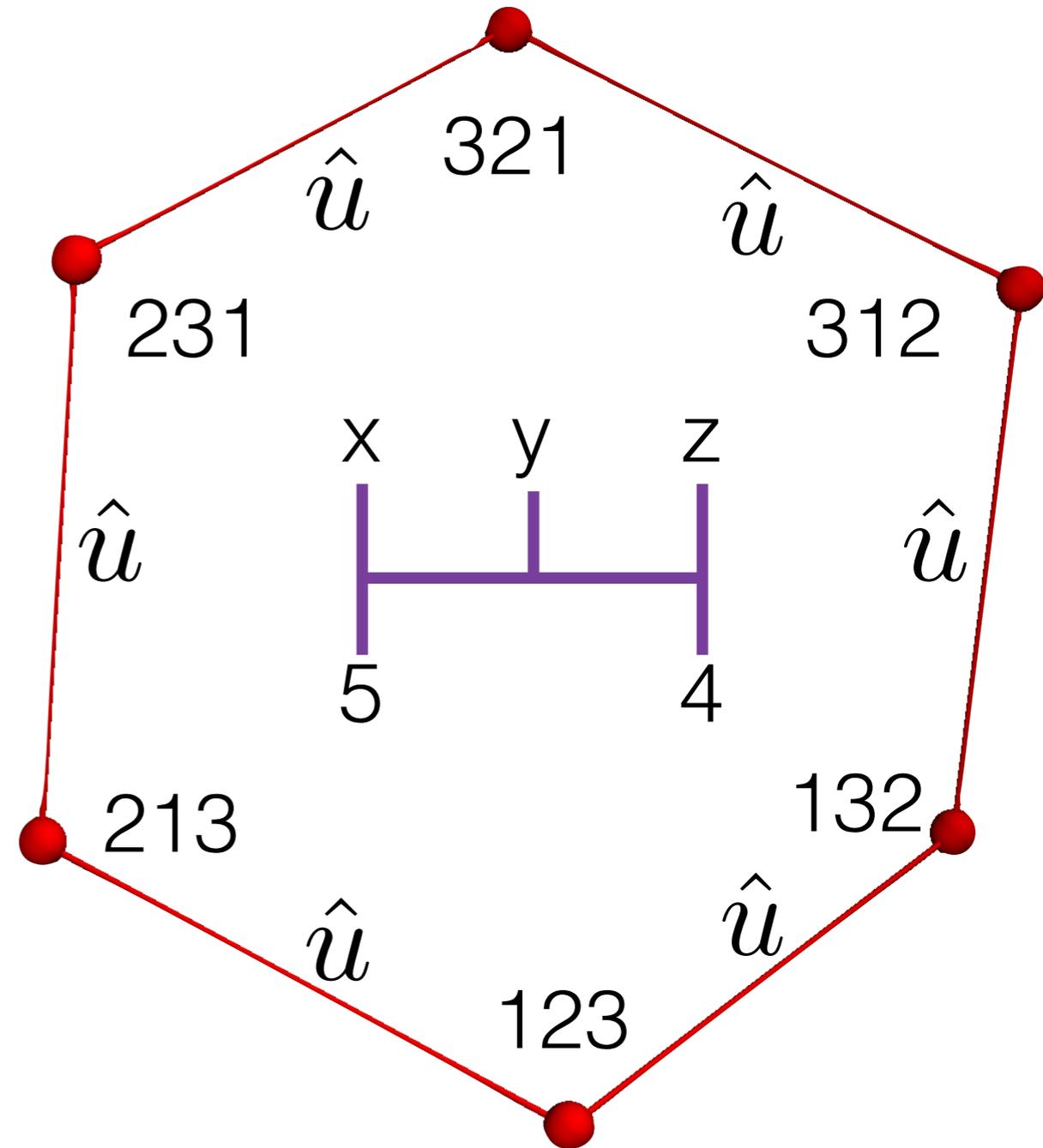
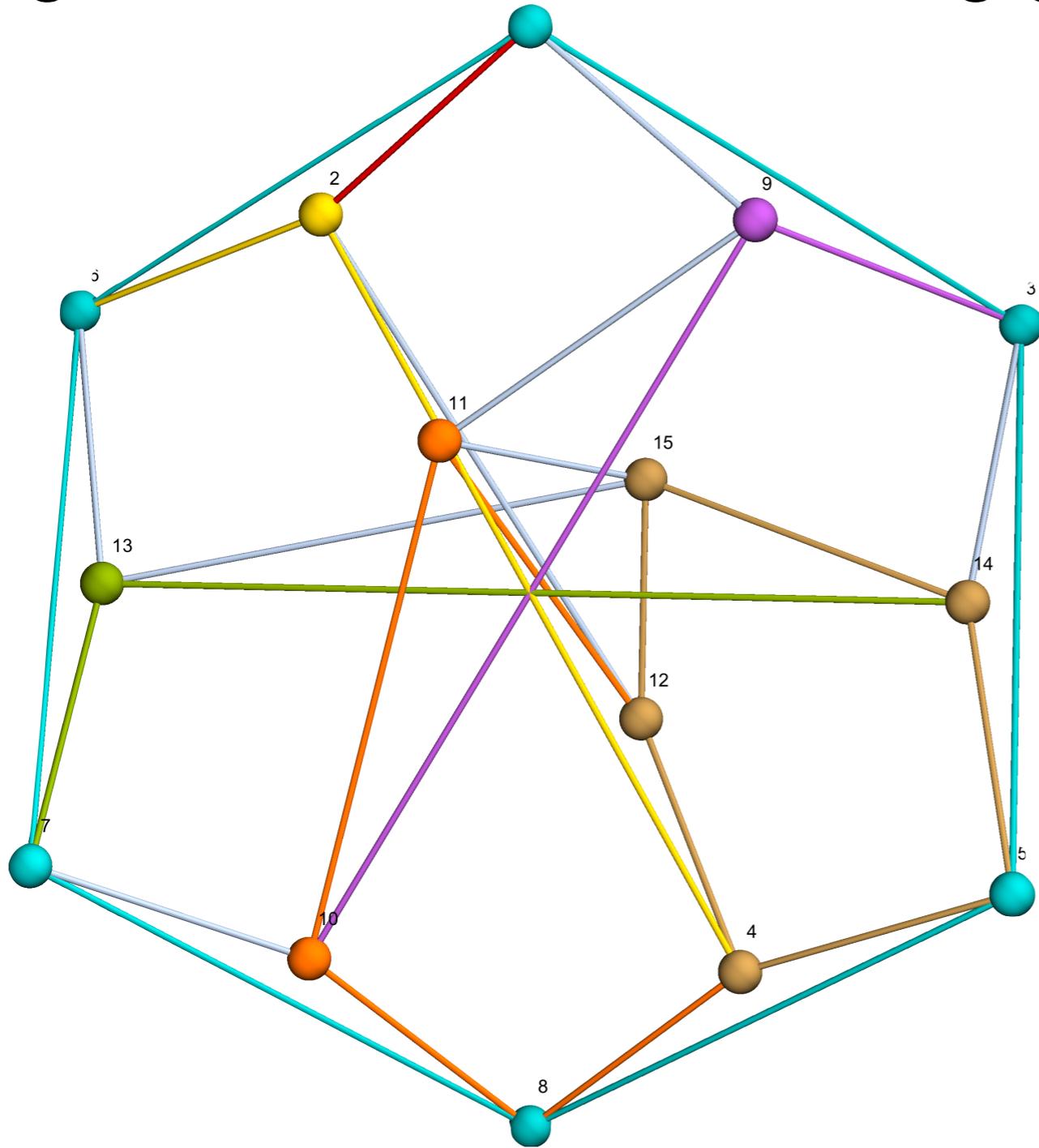


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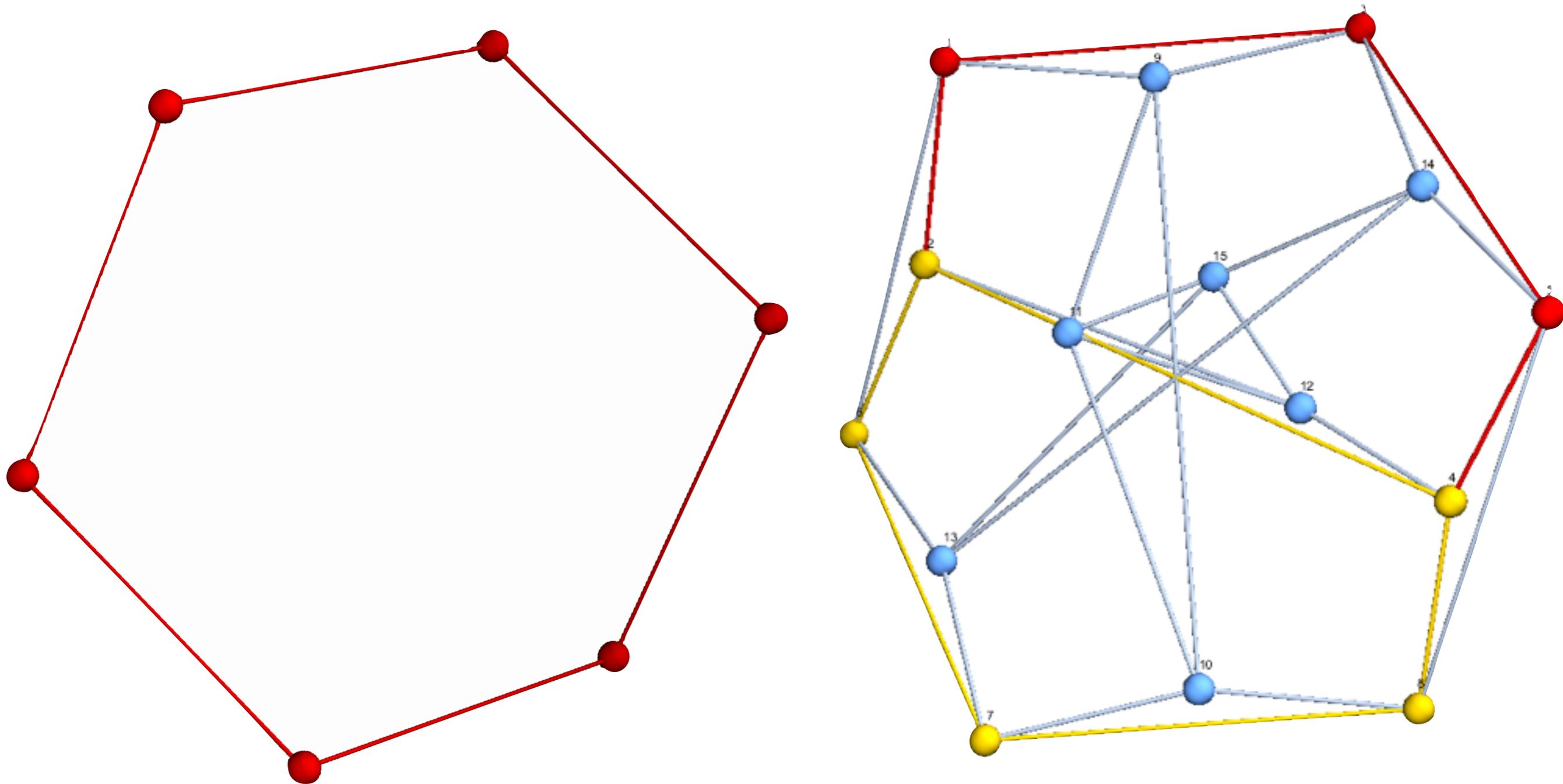
This reduces the set of necessary color-ordered amplitudes (associahedra) to  $(m-3)!$  : “BCJ” relations

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



(these polytopes are called **permutahedra**)

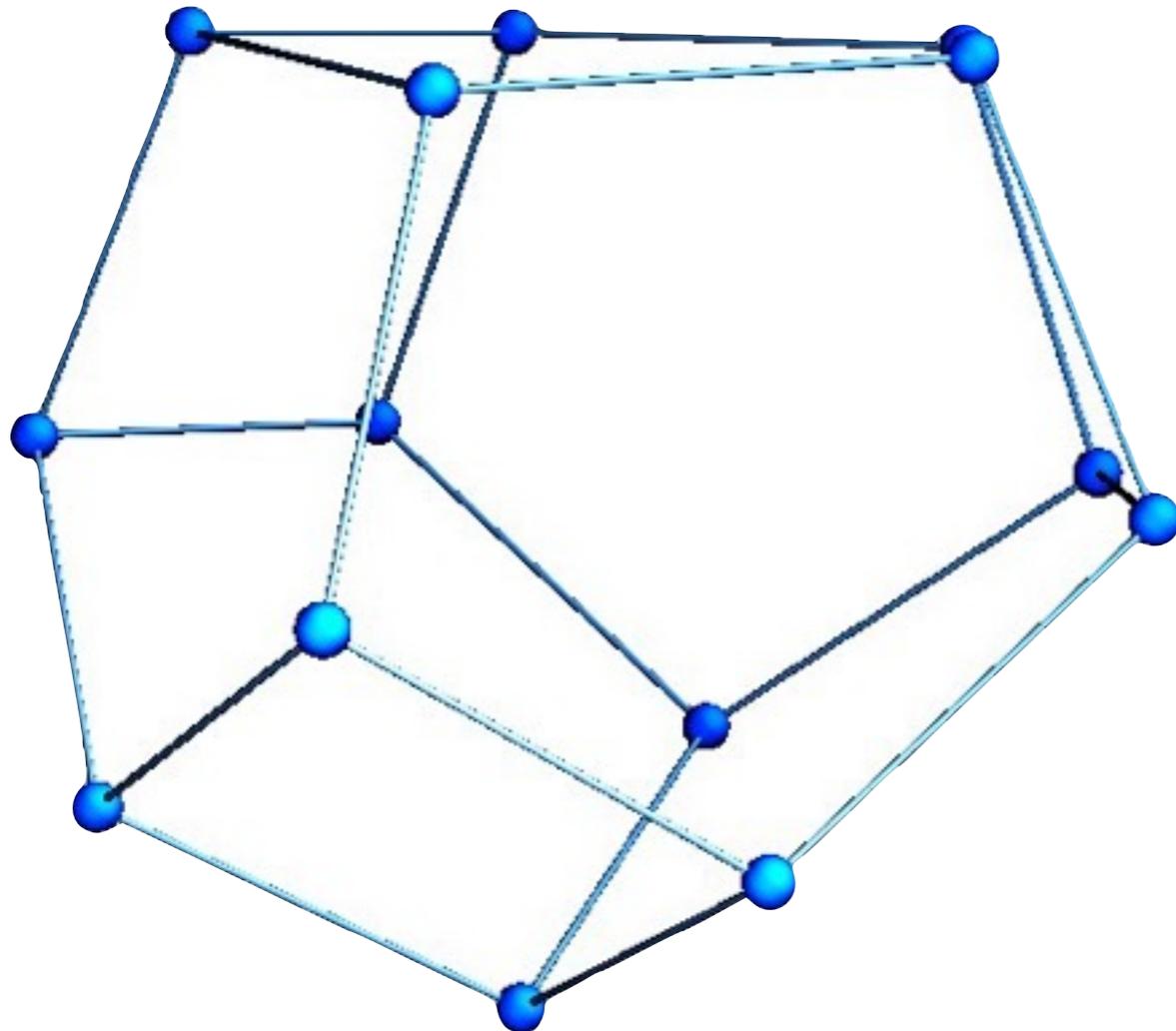
Can linearly solve for the  $(m-2)!$  numerators of the masters in terms of the  $(m-3)!$  “BCJ” independent color-ordered amplitudes. In fact you get  $(m-3)!$  numerators in terms of the color-ordered amplitudes and  $(m-3)(m-3)!$  free functions.



(generalized gauge freedom)

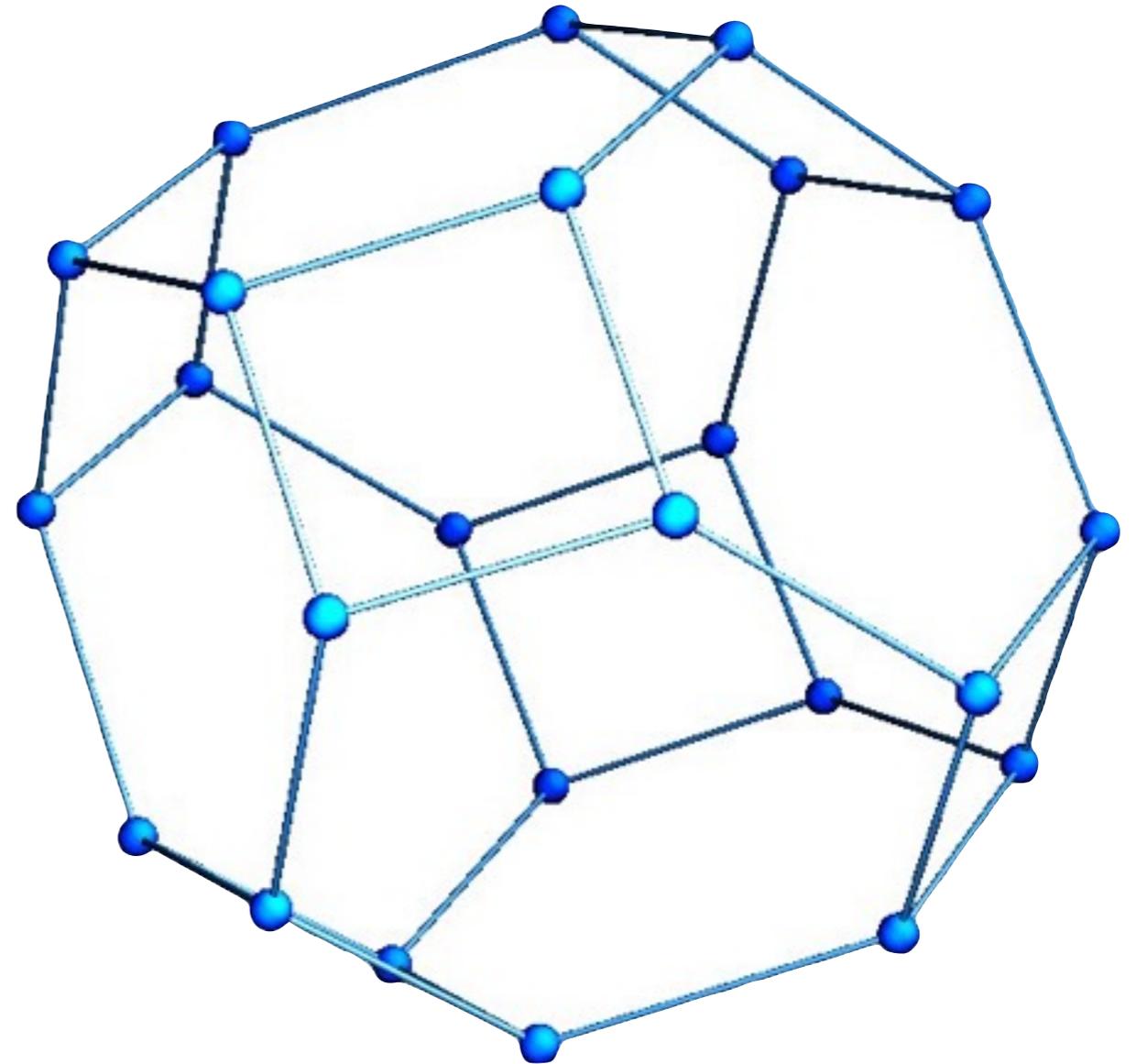
Building blocks at 6-points:

color-ordered amplitude



associahedron

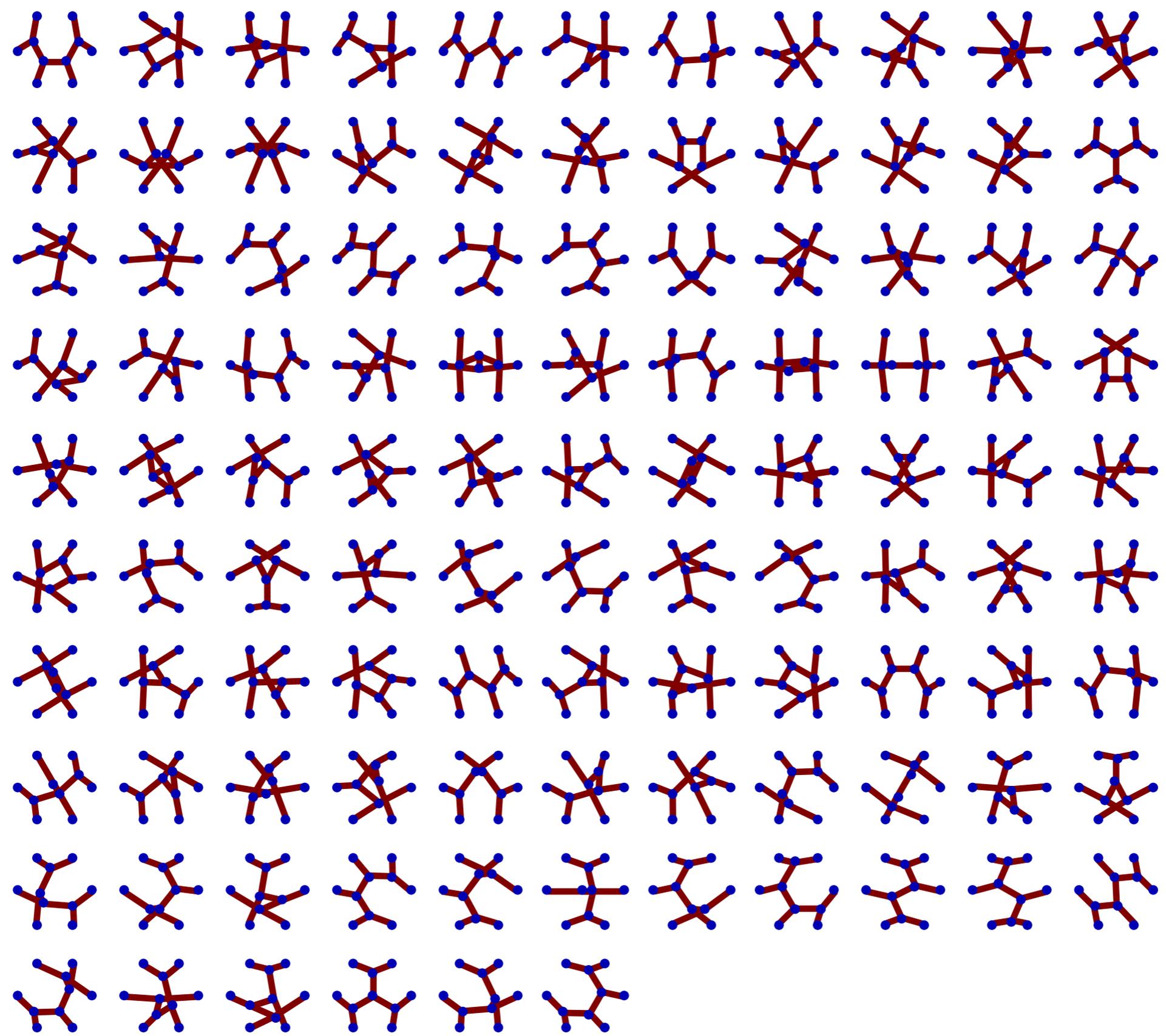
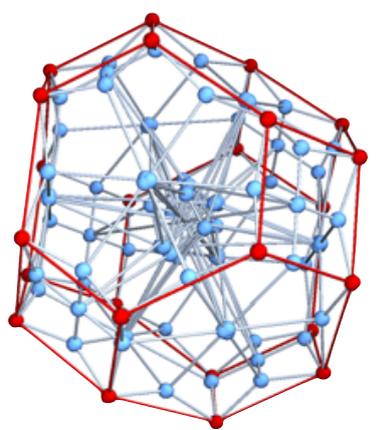
set of masters



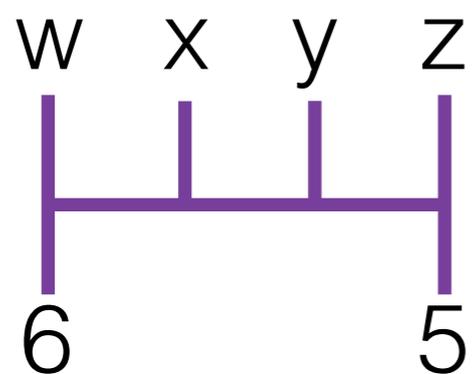
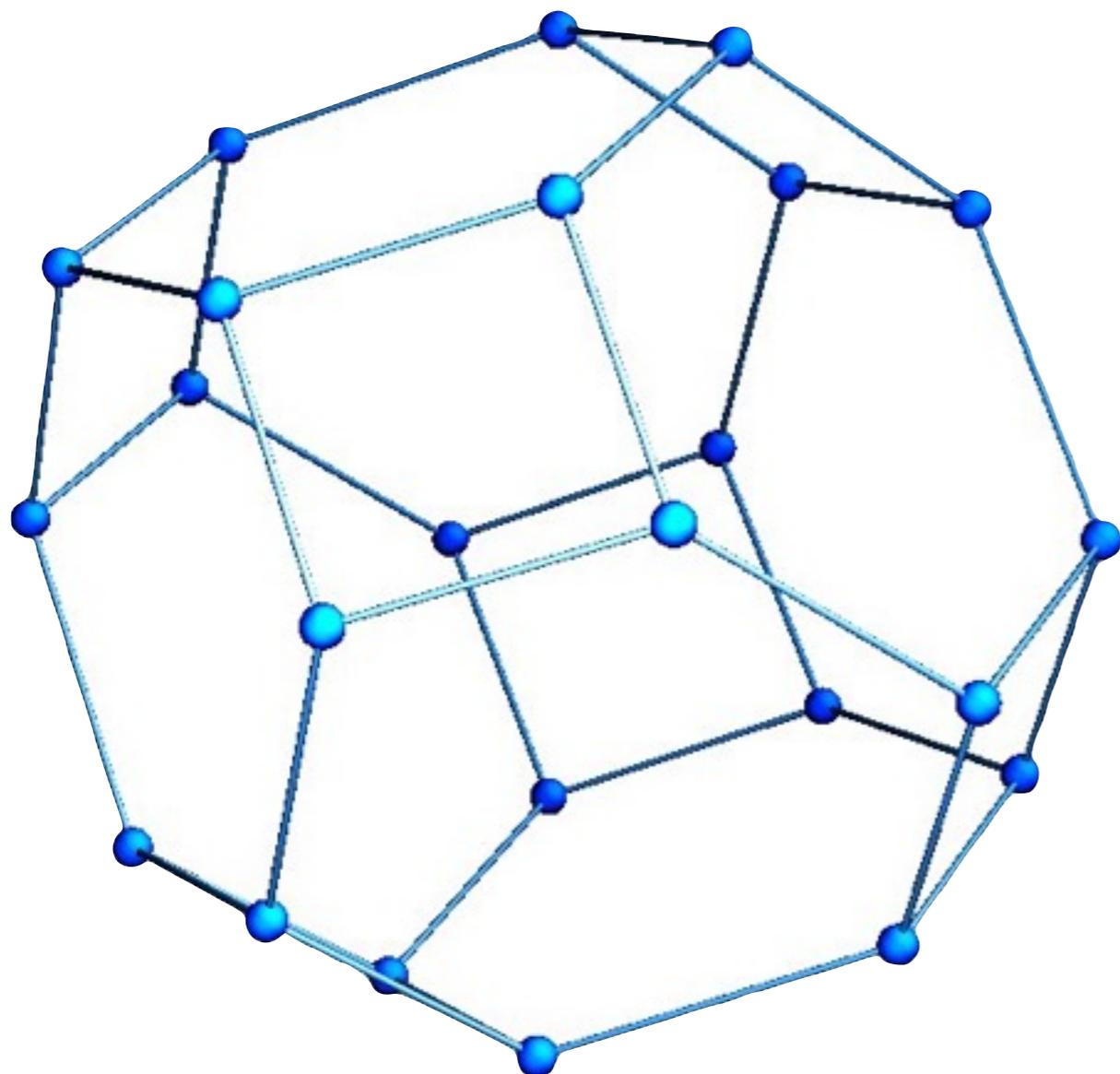
permutohedron

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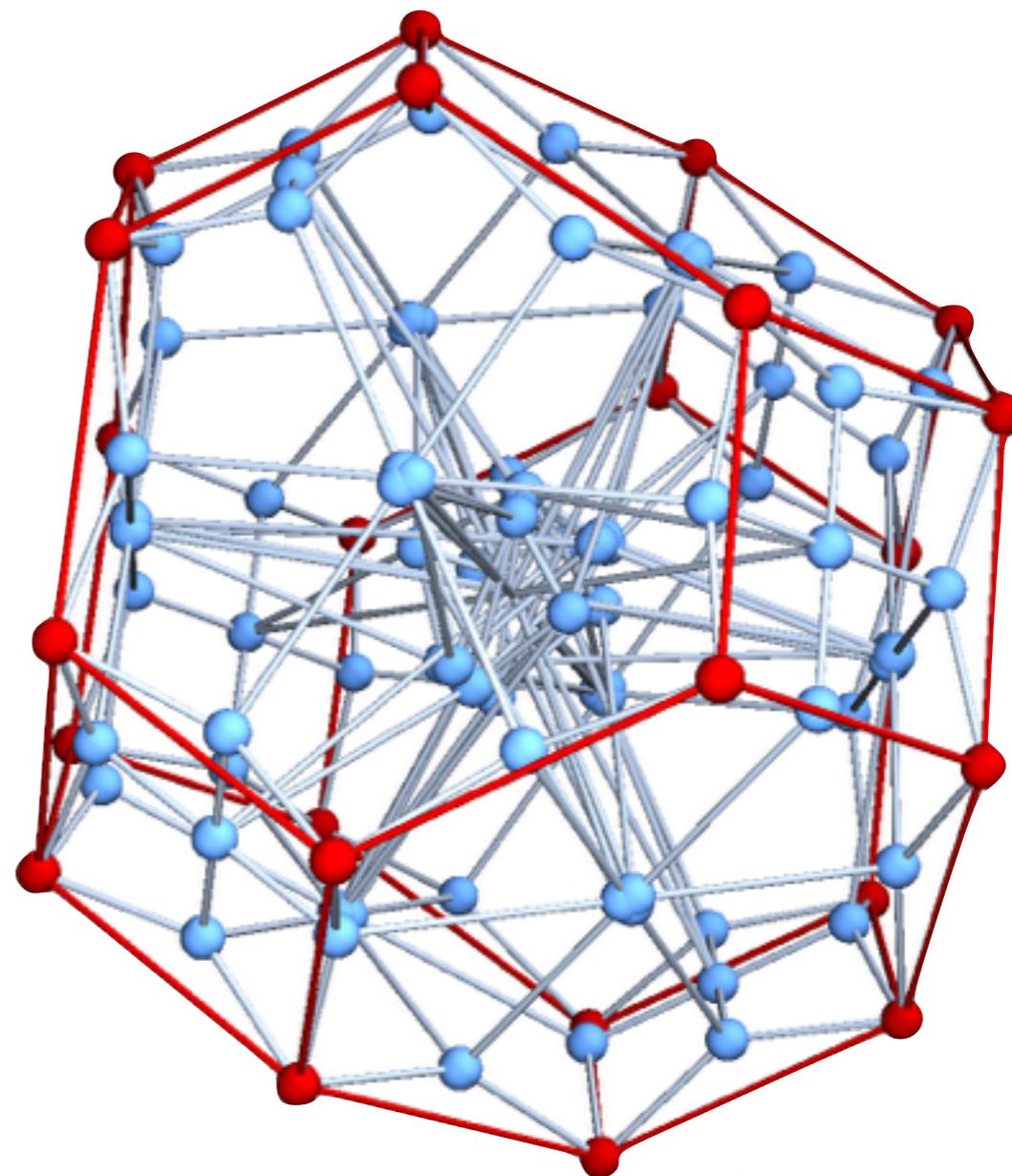
cubic graphs at 6 pt



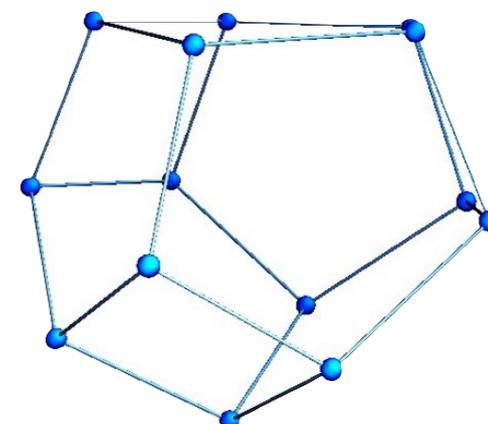
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full amplitude

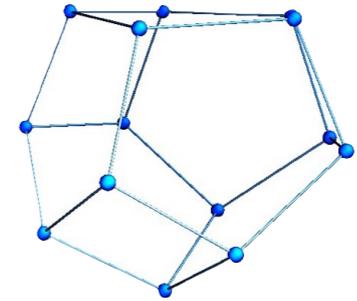


masters fixed by 6

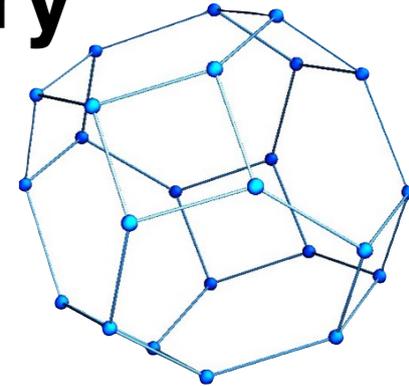


## TREE-LEVEL SUMMARY

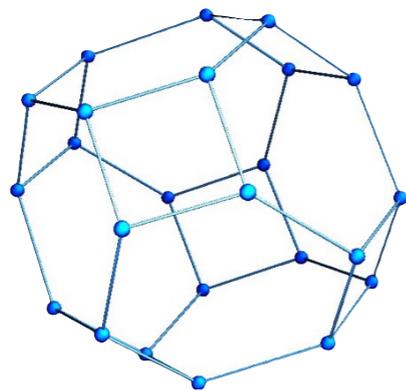
1. **Gauge invariant building blocks that speak to the theory:** color-ordered amplitudes, *associahedra*



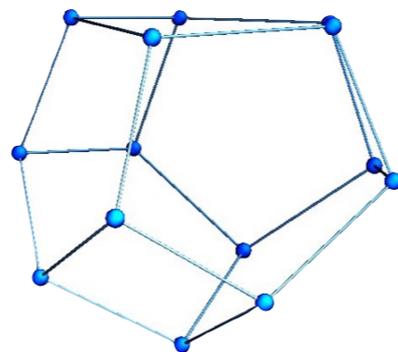
2. **CK means only need to specify the boundary data:** the master graphs, given by the relevant *permutahedron*



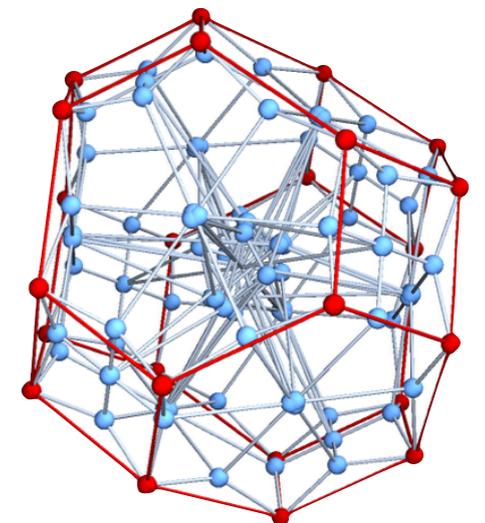
3. **Can solve for the *full amplitude efficiently* in terms of the  $(n-3)!$  independent *associahedra***



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

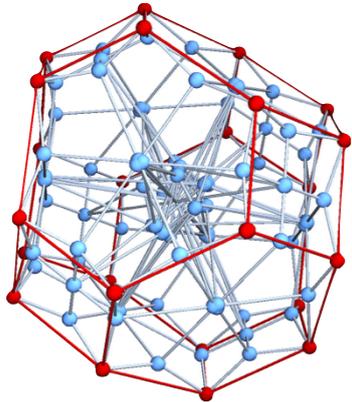


physics  $\longleftrightarrow$  geometry



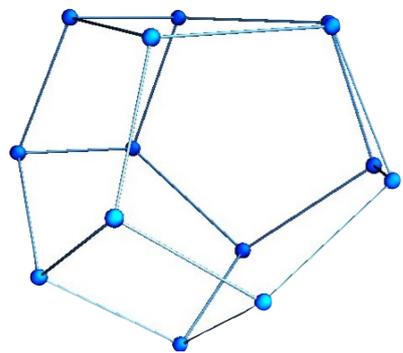
Full YM:

color  $\otimes$  spin-1



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

*color-stripped* YM

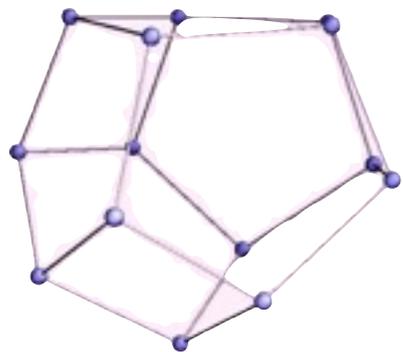


$$\mathcal{A}_m^{\text{tree}}(\rho) = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \rho} \frac{n(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$

(same as kinematic stripped gravity)

$$-iM_n^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \frac{n(\mathcal{G})\tilde{n}(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$

*kinematic-stripped* YM



$$\mathcal{C}_m^{\text{tree}}(\rho) = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \rho} \frac{c(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$

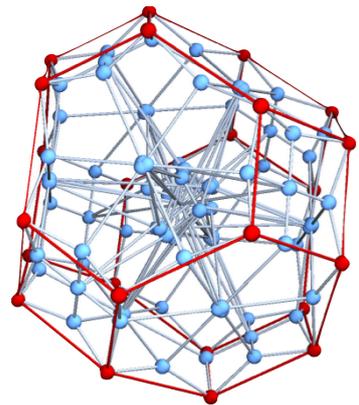
(same as color-stripped)

Bi-Adjoint Scalar

$$c_m^{\text{tree}}(\rho) = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \frac{c(\mathcal{G})\tilde{c}(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$

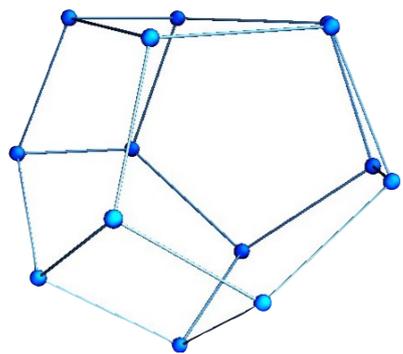
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Full YM: color  $\otimes$  spin-1



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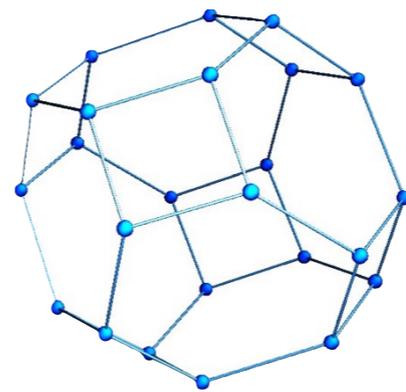


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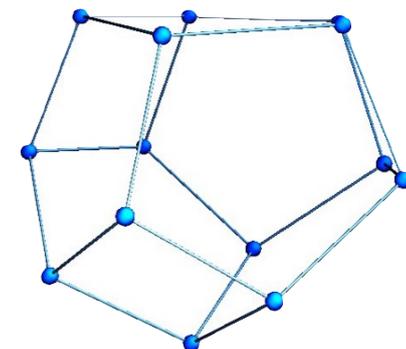
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Can (pseudo) invert:

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$$= \mathbf{f}_{(\text{linear})}(\text{image})$$



color-kinematics  $\longrightarrow$  KLT-type relations

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Field theory KLT-type matrix  
/ momentum kernel

Bern, Dixon, Perelstein, Rozowsky (1999)

Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Feng, Sondergaard (2010)

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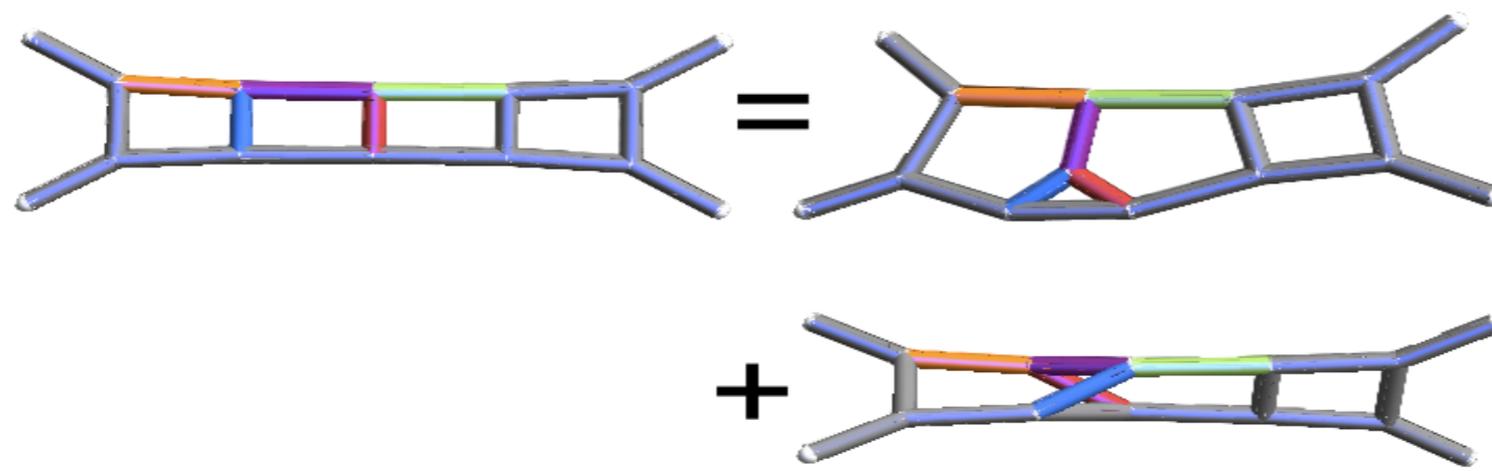
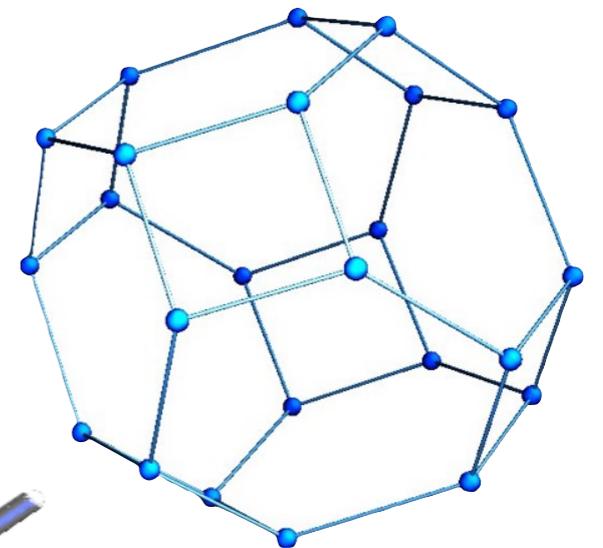
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Del Duca, Dixon, Maltoni (1999)

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DDM basis for Gravity!

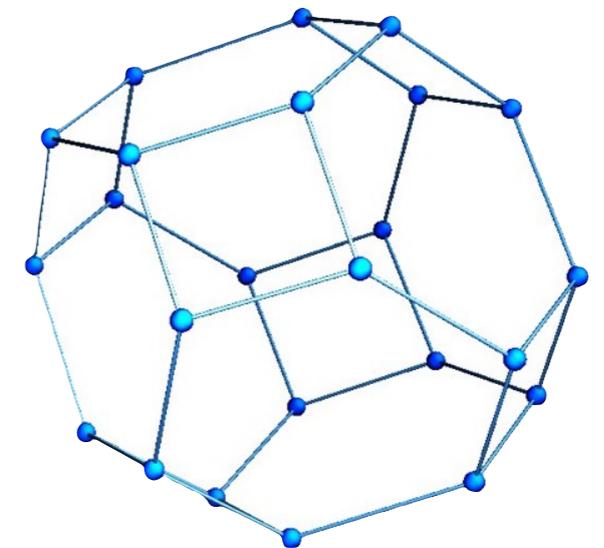
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**kinematic weights** of permutahedron:  
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Closed form (non-local) color-dual numerators:

$$\tilde{n}(\rho) = \sum_{\tau} S_0(\rho|\tau) \tilde{A}(\tau)$$

Kiermier; Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Sondergaard, Vanhove (2010)



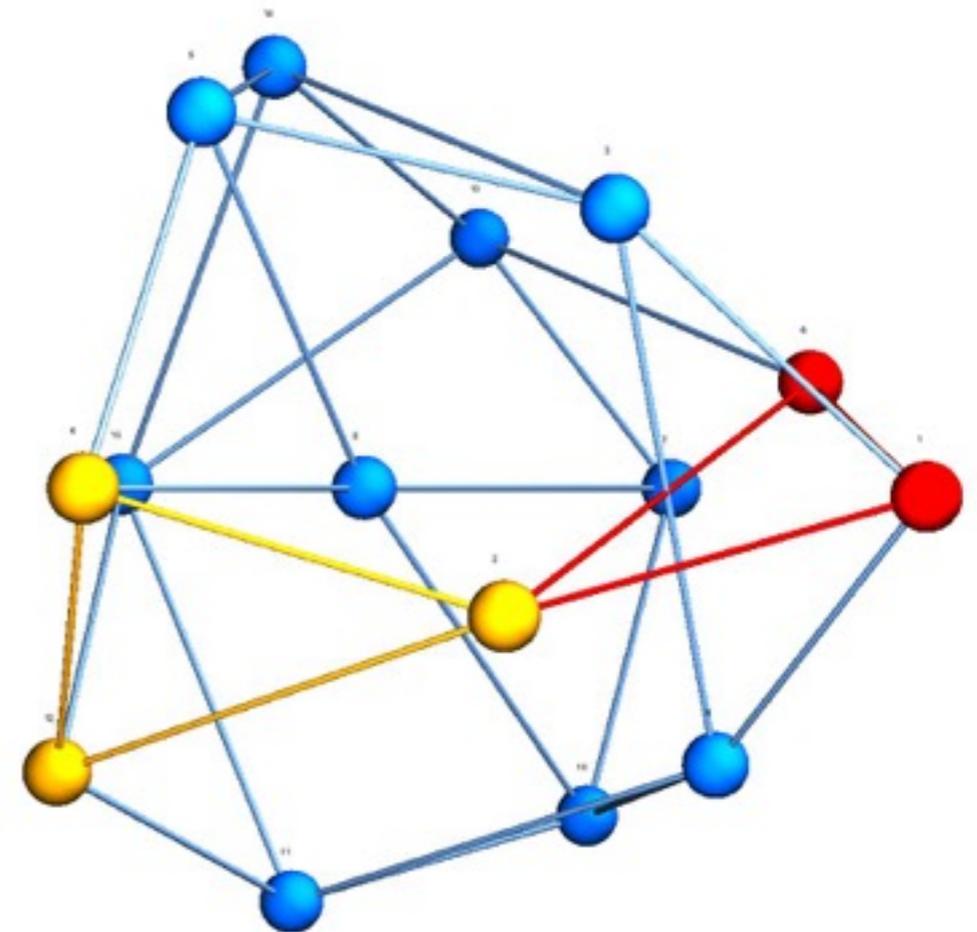
Can do this on loop-level cuts. Can generalize to the off-shell integrand either by introducing ansatze or with a massive over-redundancy of graphs (the pre-Integrand).

JJMC

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

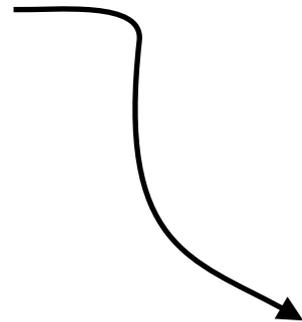
Is there a simple path forward?

**See Zvi's talk friday!**



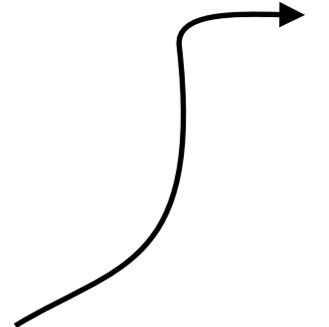
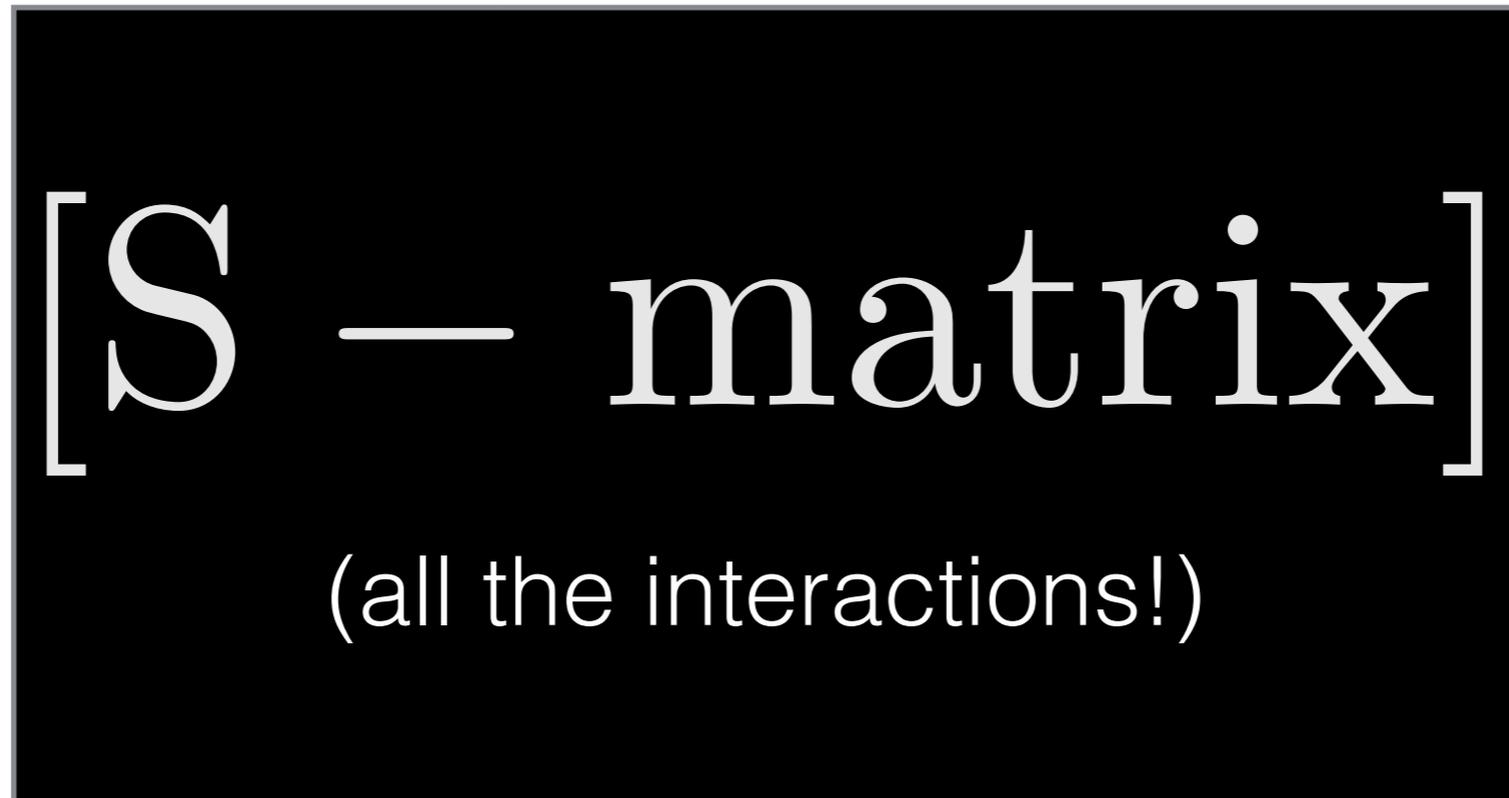
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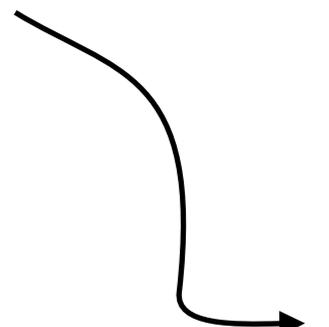
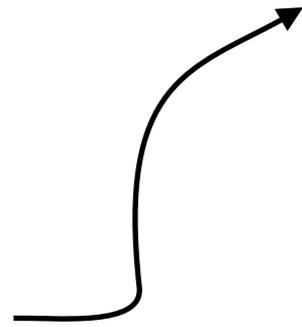
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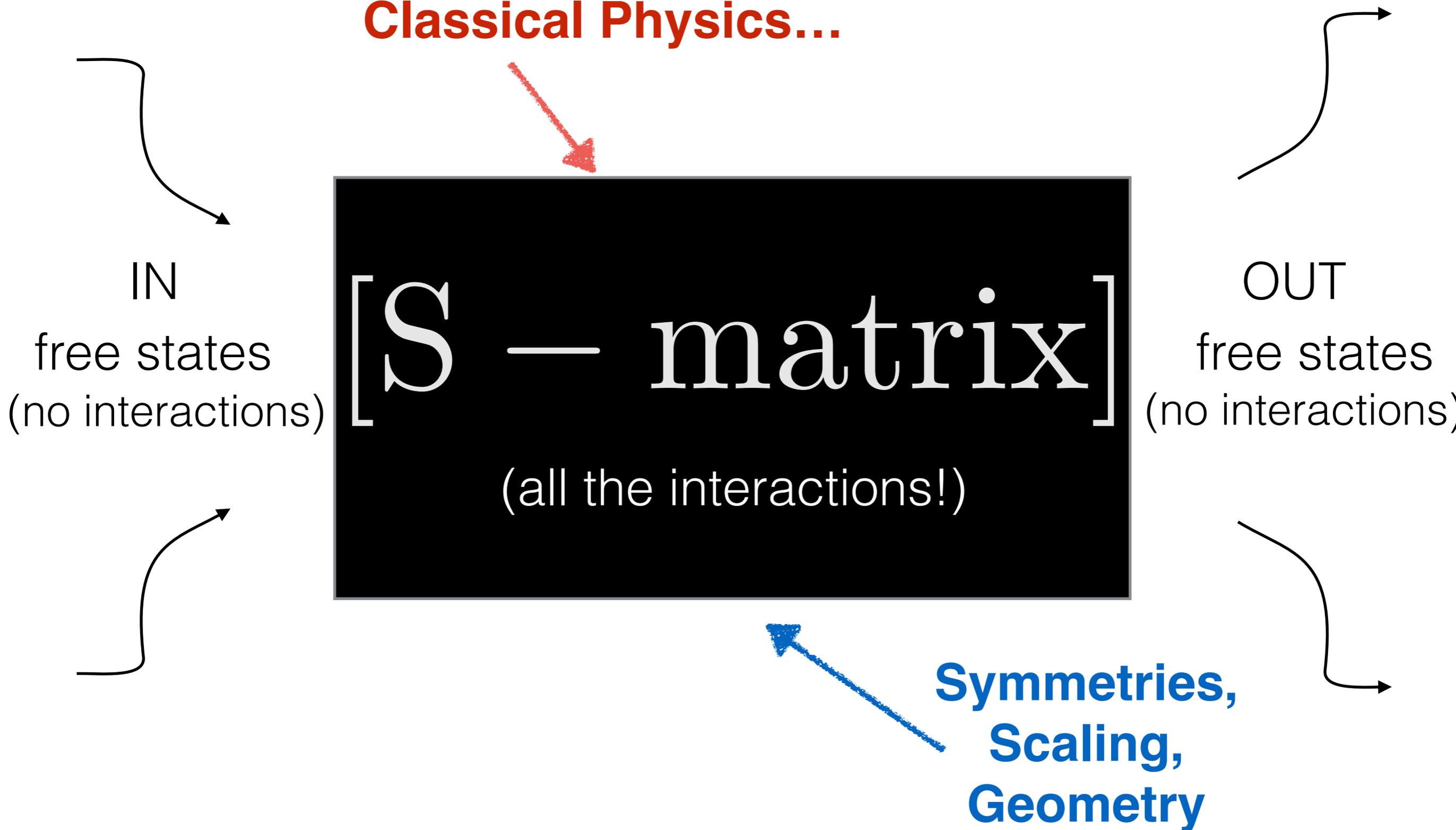
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## Playful Construction Using Double-Copy as a Principle

$$U = V \otimes W$$

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

# Example of playful construction

## Open String:

Broedel, Schlotterer, Stieberger

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

Chan-Paton Stripped open string

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

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

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

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

Take seriously Z-functions as encoding predictions for some (effective) field theory. **JJMC, Mafra, Schlotterer (2016)**

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

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

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

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

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**JJMC, Mafra, Schlotterer (2016)**

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Somehow abelianization is encoding a story related to SSB

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

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

**He, Liu, Wu '16; Cachazo, Cha, Mizera '16** told us:

$$[\text{NLSM} \otimes A] = \text{SDBIVA}$$

For maximal sYM, 16 linearly realized, 16 nonlinearly realized,

**Bergshoeff, Coomans, Kallosh, Shahbazi Van Proeyen '13**

$$U = V \otimes W$$

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

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

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

(See Henrik's talk)

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

