

# Generalized Double Copies and the Five-Loop Four-Point Integrand of $N = 8$ Supergravity

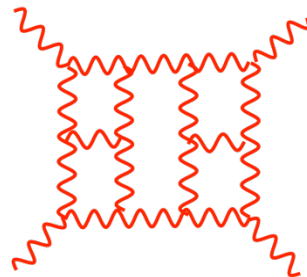
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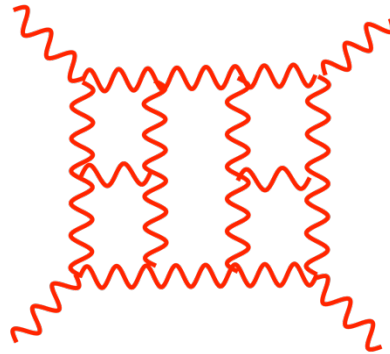
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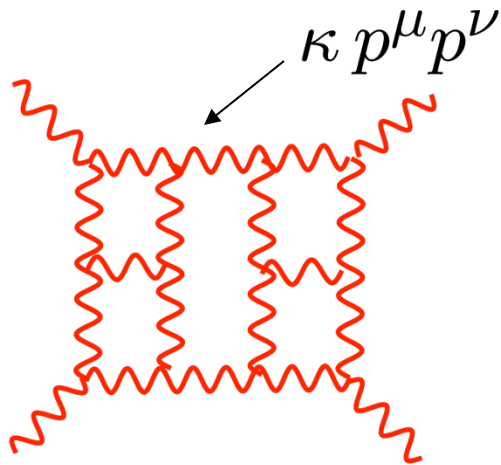
# Outline

- 1. Why we care about supergravity amplitudes at high-loop orders. Understand structure of scattering. UV.**
- 2. Color-kinematics duality and double copy.**
- 3. Difficulties at 5 loops, causing multi-year delay.**
- 4. Striking structure at 5 loops.**
- 5. Exploiting the structure: Converting gauge theory to gravity.**
- 6. Construction of 5-loop integrand of  $N = 8$  supergravity.**



# UV Behavior of Gravity?

$$\kappa = \sqrt{32\pi G_N} \quad \leftarrow \text{Dimensionful coupling}$$



**Gravity:** 
$$\int \prod_{i=1}^L \frac{d^D p_i}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{\cdots \kappa p_j^\mu p_j^\nu \cdots}{\text{propagators}}$$

**Gauge theory:** 
$$\int \prod_{i=1}^L \frac{d^D p_i}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{\cdots g p_j^\nu \cdots}{\text{propagators}}$$

- Extra powers of loop momenta in numerator means integrals are badly behaved in the UV and must diverge at some loop order.
- Much more sophisticated power counting in supersymmetric theories but this is basic idea.

- With more supersymmetry expect better UV properties.
- Need to worry about “hidden cancellations”.
- $N = 8$  supergravity best theory to study.

# UV Behavior of Gravity

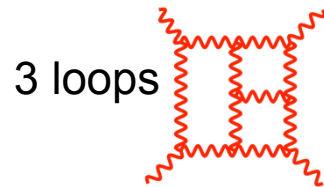
**What is the actual UV behavior of  $N = 8$  supergravity?**

**Not a philosophical question, but a technical question.**

**By trying to answer this question we learn a lot about gravity**

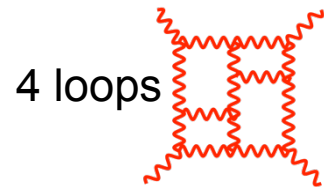
# Feynman Diagrams for Gravity

Suppose we want to check UV properties of gravity theories:

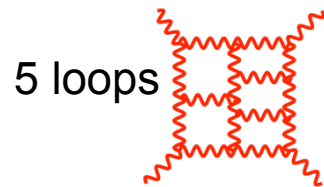


$\sim 10^{20}$   
TERMS

No surprise it has  
never been  
calculated via  
Feynman diagrams.



$\sim 10^{26}$   
TERMS



$\sim 10^{31}$   
TERMS

More terms than  
atoms in your brain!

- Calculations to settle this seemed utterly hopeless!
- Seemed destined for dustbin of undecidable questions.

Supersymmetry helps, but not enough to make a difference.

# N = 8 supergravity: Where is First D = 4 UV Divergence?

<b>3 loops N = 8</b>	Green, Schwarz, Brink (1982); Howe and Stelle (1989); Marcus and Sagnotti (1985)	<b>X</b>
<b>5 loops N = 8</b>	Bern, Dixon, Dunbar, Perelstein, Rozowsky (1998); Howe and Stelle (2003,2009)	<b>X</b>
<b>6 loops N = 8</b>	Howe and Stelle (2003)	<b>X</b>
<b>7 loops N = 8</b>	Grisaru and Siegel (1982); Bossard, Howe, Stelle (2009); Vanhove; Björnsson, Green (2010); Kiermaier, Elvang, Freedman (2010); Ramond, Kallosh (2010); Biesert et al (2010); Bossard, Howe, Stelle, Vanhove (2011)	<b>?</b>
<b>3 loops N = 4</b>	Bossard, Howe, Stelle, Vanhove (2011)	<b>X</b>
<b>4 loops N = 5</b>	Bossard, Howe, Stelle, Vanhove (2011)	<b>X</b>
<b>4 loops N = 4</b>	Vanhove and Tourkine (2012)	<b>✓</b>
<b>9 loops N = 8</b>	Berkovits, Green, Russo, Vanhove (2009)	<b>X</b>

ZB, Kosower, Carrasco, Dixon, Johansson, Roiban; ZB, Davies, Dennen, A. Smirnov, V. Smirnov; series of calculations.

**Don't bet on divergence** ←

**Weird structure. Anomaly-like behavior of divergence.** ←

**retracted** ←

- **Conventional wisdom holds that it will diverge sooner or later.**
- **But every detailed prediction either wrong or misleading.**

# Divergences in Pure Gravity

Goroff and Sagnotti, ZB, Cheung, Chi, Davies, Dixon and Nohle; ZB, Chi, Dixon, Edison

Even in pure gravity, UV divergences don't work the way you were taught.

$$D = 4 - 2\epsilon$$

$$\mathcal{M}_4 = \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left( \frac{209}{24} - \frac{15}{2} n_3 \right) - \frac{1}{4} \ln \mu^2 \right] \mathcal{K} + \text{finite} + \text{IR}$$

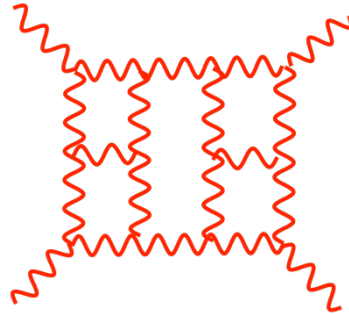
divergence number of 3 forms robust Renormalization scale

$$\mathcal{K} = \left( \frac{\kappa}{2} \right)^6 \frac{i}{(4\pi)^4} stu \left( \frac{[12][34]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle} \right)^2$$

- **Weird that renorm. scale and UV divergence not linked.**
- **The UV divergence depends on the details of the regularization prescriptions. 3 forms not dynamical.**
- **The divergence itself comes from anomaly-like behavior:  $\epsilon/\epsilon \times 1/\epsilon$**
- **Only other pure (super)gravity theory with known divergences is  $N = 4$  supergravity: Similar anomaly-like behavior.**
- **No such anomaly expected in  $N \geq 5$  sugra.**

Carrasco, Kallosh, Tseytlin and Roiban; Kallosh; Freedman, Kallosh, Murli, Van Proeyen, Yamada

# New Structures?



**Might there be a new unaccounted structure in gravity theories that suggests the UV might be tamer than conventional arguments suggest?**

**Yes!**



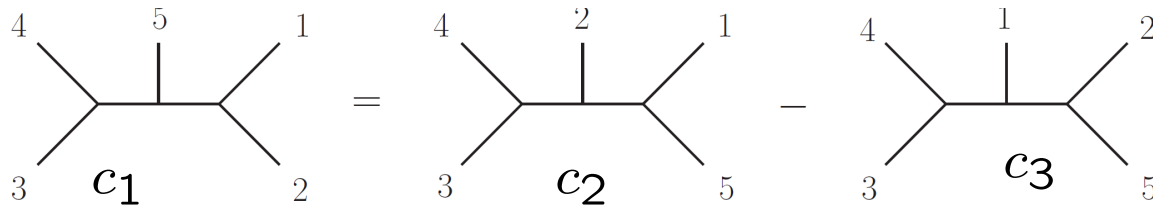
# Duality Between Color and Kinematics

Consider five-point tree amplitude:

ZB, Carrasco, Johansson (BCJ)

$$A_5^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{i=1}^{15} \frac{c_i n_i}{\prod_{\alpha_i} p_i^2}$$

color factor  
kinematic numerator factor  
Feynman propagators



$$c_1 = f^{a_3 a_4 b} f^{b a_5 c} f^{c a_1 a_2} \quad c_2 = f^{a_3 a_4 b} f^{b a_2 c} f^{c a_1 a_5} \quad c_3 = f^{a_3 a_4 b} f^{b a_1 c} f^{c a_2 a_5}$$

$$n_i \sim k_4 \cdot k_5 k_2 \cdot \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \cdot \varepsilon_3 \varepsilon_4 \cdot \varepsilon_5 + \dots$$

$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 0 \iff n_1 + n_2 + n_3 = 0$$

**Claim:** We can always find a rearrangement so color and kinematics satisfy the *same* algebraic constraint equations.

**Progress on unraveling relations.**

BCJ, Bjerrum-Bohr, Feng, Damgaard, Vanhove, ; Mafra, Stieberger, Schlotterer;

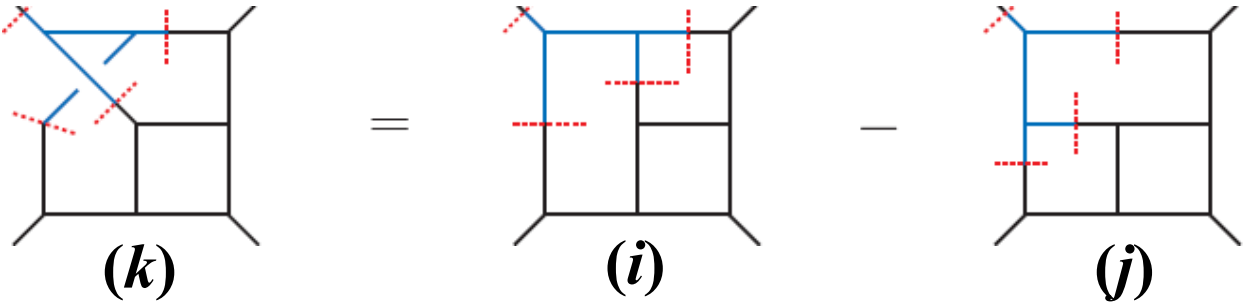
Tye and Zhang; Feng, Huang, Jia; Chen, Du, Feng; Du, Feng, Fu; Naculich, Nastase, Schnitzer

O'Connell and Montiero; Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, O'Connell and Montiero; O'Connell, Montiero, White, etc.

# Gravity Loop Integrands from YM

BCJ

Ideas conjectured to generalize to loops:



color factor  $\curvearrowright$

$$C_k = C_i - C_j$$

$$n_k = n_i - n_j$$

kinematic numerator  $\curvearrowright$

If you have a set of duality satisfying numerators.  
To get:

**gauge theory  $\longrightarrow$  gravity theory**

simply take

**color factor  $\longrightarrow$  kinematic numerator**

$$C_k \longrightarrow n_k$$

**Gravity loop integrands follow from gauge theory!**

# Gravity From Gauge Theory

$$-i \left( \frac{2}{\kappa} \right)^{(n-2)} \mathcal{M}_n^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, \dots, n) = \sum_i \frac{n_i \tilde{n}_i}{\prod_{\alpha_i} p_{\alpha_i}^2}$$

BCJ

**Here we consider only simplest constructions:**

Johansson's  
talk

**$N = 8$  sugra:**  $(N = 4 \text{ sYM}) \times (N = 4 \text{ sYM})$

**$N = 5$  sugra:**  $(N = 4 \text{ sYM}) \times (N = 1 \text{ sYM})$

**$N = 4$  sugra:**  $(N = 4 \text{ sYM}) \times (N = 0 \text{ sYM})$

**Spectrum controlled by simple tensor product of gauge theories.**

**More sophisticated lower-susy cases: QCD, magical supergravities, Einstein-YM with and without Higgsing, twin supergravities.**

Anastasiou, Bornsten, Duff; Duff, Hughs, Nagy; Johansson and Ochirov;  
Carrasco, Chiodaroli, Günaydin and Roiban; ZB, Davies, Dennen, Huang and Nohle;  
Nohle; Chiodaroli, Günaydin, Johansson, Roiban. A. Anastasiou, L. Borsten, M.J. Duff, M.J. Hughes,  
Marrani, Nagy, Zoccali.

**Many other theories in double-copy story, including open and closed string theory, NLSM, (Dirac)Born Infeld, Galileon and Z theory.**

Cachazo, He, Yuan; Chen Du, Broedel, Schlotterer and Stieberger; Carrasco, Mafra, Schlotterer;

# Supergravity and Ultraviolet Divergences

Bossard, Howe, Stelle; Elvang, Freedman, Kiermaier; Green, Russo, Vanhove ; Green and Björnsson ; Bossard , Hillmann and Nicolai; Ramond and Kallosh; Broedel and Dixon; Elvang and Kiermaier; Beisert, Elvang, Freedman, Kiermaier, Morales, Stieberger; Bossard, Howe, Stelle, Vanhove, etc

- **First quantized formulation of Berkovits' pure-spinor formalism.**  
Bjornsson and Green
- **Unitarity method.**  
ZB, Davies, Dennen

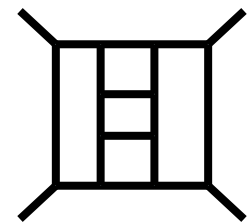
**Key point:** *all* supersymmetry cancellations are exposed.

**Poor UV behavior, unless new types of cancellations between diagrams exist that are “not consequences of supersymmetry in any conventional sense”**  
Bjornsson and Green

- $N = 8$  sugra should diverge at 5 loops in  $D = 24/5$ .
- $N = 8$  sugra should diverge at 7 loops in  $D = 4$ .
- $N = 4$  sugra should diverge at 3 loops in  $D = 4$ .
- $N = 5$  sugra should diverge at 4 loops in  $D = 4$ .

?  
?  
X  
X

Want to check this.



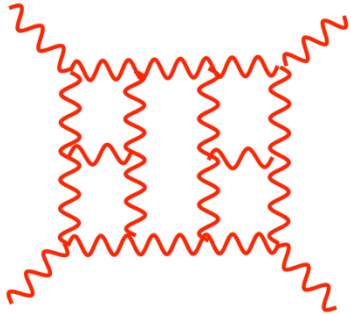
**Consensus agreement from all methods**

**These new types of cancellations do exist: “enhanced cancellations”.**

ZB, Davies, Dennen

# $N = 8$ Sugra 5 Loop Calculation

ZB, Carrasco, Chen Johansson, Roiban



~1000 such diagrams with ~10,000s terms each

Being reasonable and being right are not the same.

**Place your bets:**

- At 5 loops in  $D = 24/5$  does  $N = 8$  supergravity diverge?
- At 7 loops in  $D = 4$  does  $N = 8$  supergravity diverge?



**Kelly Stelle:**  
**English wine**  
“It will diverge”

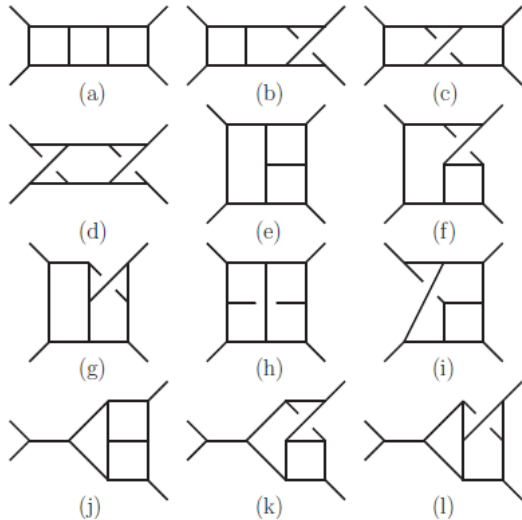
**5 loops**



**Zvi Bern:**  
**California wine**  
“It won't diverge”

# $N = 4$ Supergravity UV Cancellation

BCJ duality works easily



$D = 4 - 2\epsilon$  ZB, Davies, Dennen, Huang

Graph	(divergence)/((12) <sup>2</sup> [34] <sup>2</sup> stA <sup>tree</sup> ( $\frac{\kappa}{2}$ ) <sup>8</sup> )
(a)-(d)	0
(e)	$\frac{263}{768} \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} + \frac{205}{27648} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \left(-\frac{5551}{768} \zeta_3 + \frac{326317}{110592}\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon}$
(f)	$-\frac{175}{2304} \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \left(\frac{593}{288} \zeta_3 - \frac{217571}{165888}\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon}$
(g)	$-\frac{11}{36} \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} + \frac{2057}{6912} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \left(\frac{10769}{2304} \zeta_3 - \frac{226201}{165888}\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon}$
(h)	$-\frac{3}{32} \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} - \frac{41}{1536} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \left(\frac{3227}{2304} \zeta_3 - \frac{3329}{18432}\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon}$
(i)	$\frac{17}{128} \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} - \frac{29}{1024} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \left(-\frac{2087}{2304} \zeta_3 - \frac{10495}{110592}\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon}$
(j)	$-\frac{15}{32} \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} + \frac{9}{64} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \left(\frac{101}{12} \zeta_3 - \frac{3227}{1152}\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon}$
(k)	$\frac{5}{64} \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} + \frac{89}{1152} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \left(-\frac{377}{144} \zeta_3 + \frac{287}{432}\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon}$
(l)	$\frac{25}{64} \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} - \frac{251}{1152} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \left(-\frac{835}{144} \zeta_3 + \frac{7385}{3456}\right) \frac{1}{\epsilon}$

$$(N = 4 \text{ sugra}) = (N = 4 \text{ sYM}) \times (N = 0 \text{ YM})$$

All three-loop divergences and subdivergences cancel completely!

Still no standard-symmetry explanation, despite valiant attempt.

Bossard, Howe, Stelle; ZB, Davies, Dennen

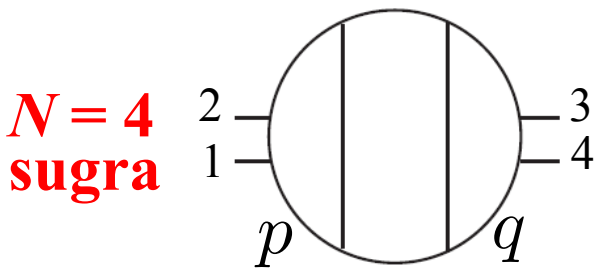
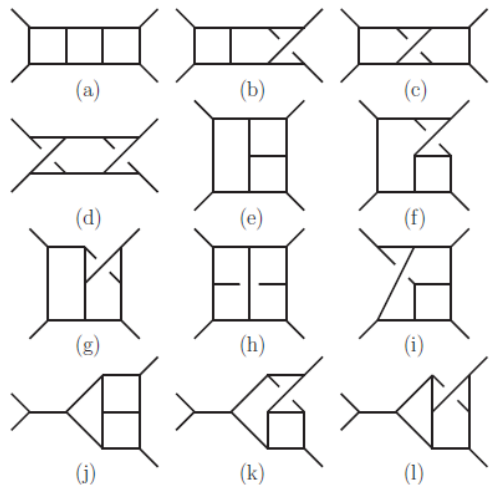
A nontrivial example of “enhanced cancellations”

# Enhanced UV Cancellations

ZB, Davies, Dennen

Suppose diagrams in *all* possible Lorentz covariant representations are UV divergent, but the amplitude is well behaved.

- **By definition this is an enhanced cancellation.**
- **Not the way nonabelian gauge theory works.**



already log divergent

$N = 4$  sugra: pure YM  $\times$   $N = 4$  sYM

$$n_i \sim s^3 t A_4^{\text{tree}} (p \cdot q)^2 \varepsilon_1 \cdot p \varepsilon_2 \cdot p \varepsilon_3 \cdot q \varepsilon_4 \cdot q + \dots$$

This diagram is log divergent

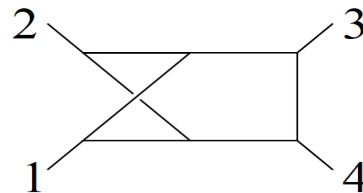
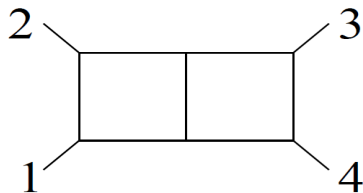
- **3 loop UV finiteness of  $N = 4$  supergravity proves existence of “enhanced cancellation” in supergravity theories.**
- **No known standard symmetry explanation.**

# Where does new magic come from?

ZB, Davies, Dennen, Huang; Bossard, Howe, Stelle

To analyze we need a simpler example: **Half-maximal supergravity in  $D = 5$  at 2 loops.** No known symmetry explanation in this case.

Similar to  $N = 4, D = 4$  sugra at 3 loops, except much simpler.



**$D = 5$  half max sugra**  
 **$N = 4$  sYM  $\times$   $N = 0$  YM**

## Quick summary:

- Finiteness in  $D = 5$  tied to double-copy structure.
- Cancellations in certain forbidden gauge-theory color structures imply hidden UV cancellations in supergravity.

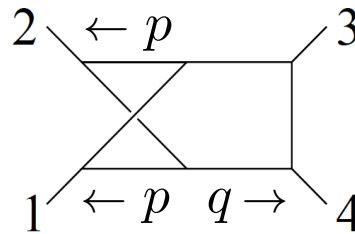
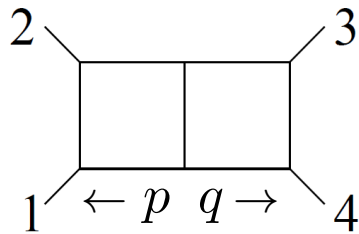
**Double-copy structure implies extra cancellations!**

Unfortunately, argument relies on special two-loop property: integrals of  $N = 4$  sugra are identical to those of QCD.

**Need a more general approach**



# Multiloop Cancellations



ZB, Enciso, Parra-Martinez, Zeng

route momenta  
in different ways

- **Demonstrated enhanced cancellations require integration properties. Not like non-abelian gauge theory.**
- **Standard proofs of UV properties are ruled out.**

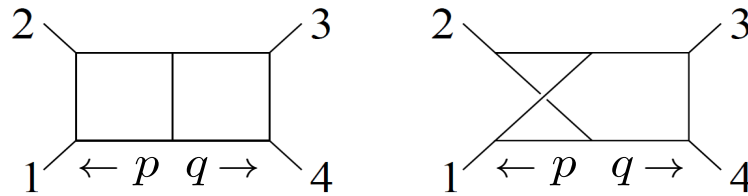
**We make use of enormous advances in understanding relations between integrals based on IBP technology.**

Gluza, Kajda, Kosower ; Johansson, Kosower and Larsen; Ita; Larsen and Zhang

**Allows us to write integrands manifestly UV finite up to terms that integrate to zero.**

**Is there a generic structure for the enhanced cancellations?**

# Multiloop Enhanced Cancellations



ZB, Enciso, Parra-Martinez, Zeng (2017)

**Analysis of cancellations in half-maximal supergravity in  $D = 5$  reveals following interesting pattern.**

**Conjecture: At large loop momentum enhanced cancellations follow from Lorentz symmetry and  $SL(L)$  relabeling symmetry.**

**Lorentz symmetry**

$$0 = \int \left( \prod_{a=1}^L d^D \ell_a \right) \sum_{a=1}^L \left( \ell_{a\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial \ell_a^\nu} - \ell_{a\nu} \frac{\partial}{\partial \ell_a^\mu} \right) \frac{\mathcal{N}(\ell_i)}{\prod_j \ell_j^2}$$

**$SL(L)$  relabeling symmetry**

$$0 = \int \left( \prod_{a=1}^L d^D \ell_a \right) \sum_{a=1}^L \frac{\partial}{\partial \ell_a^\nu} \frac{\omega_{ab} \ell_{b\mu} \mathcal{N}(\ell_i)}{\prod_j \ell_j^2}$$

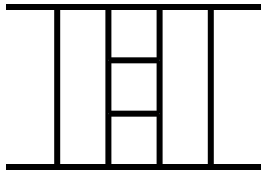
$L$  loops

**Symmetries generate a generic set of identities between integrals**

# Finding BCJ Forms Nontrivial

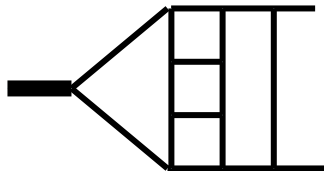
Gravity integrands might be free, but gauge-theory ones are not.  
Trouble beyond four loops.

**5-loop 4-pt  $N = 4$  sYM amplitude:**



Despite considerable effort no one has succeeded in finding a BCJ form.

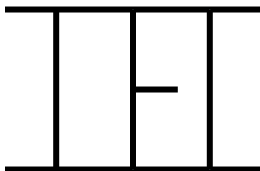
**$N = 4$  sYM 5 loop form factor:**



On other hand, no trouble with form factor.

Gang Yang (2016)

**Two-loop five-point QCD identical helicity:**



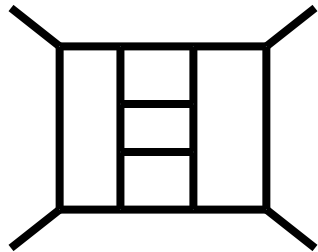
This required an ansatz with curiously high power counting.

O'Connell and Mogull (2015)

**It can be difficult to find BCJ representations.**

# Five-Loop $N = 8$ Supergravity

$N = 4, 5$  supergravity complicated.  $N = 8$  supergravity simpler.



**Are the expected enhanced cancellations actually present?**

**Turns out to be quite nontrivial to find BCJ representations:**

- **Need ansatz (guess) for numerators.**
- **Large linear systems (up to  $10^6$  parameters).**
- **No one has succeeded as yet, despite considerable effort.**

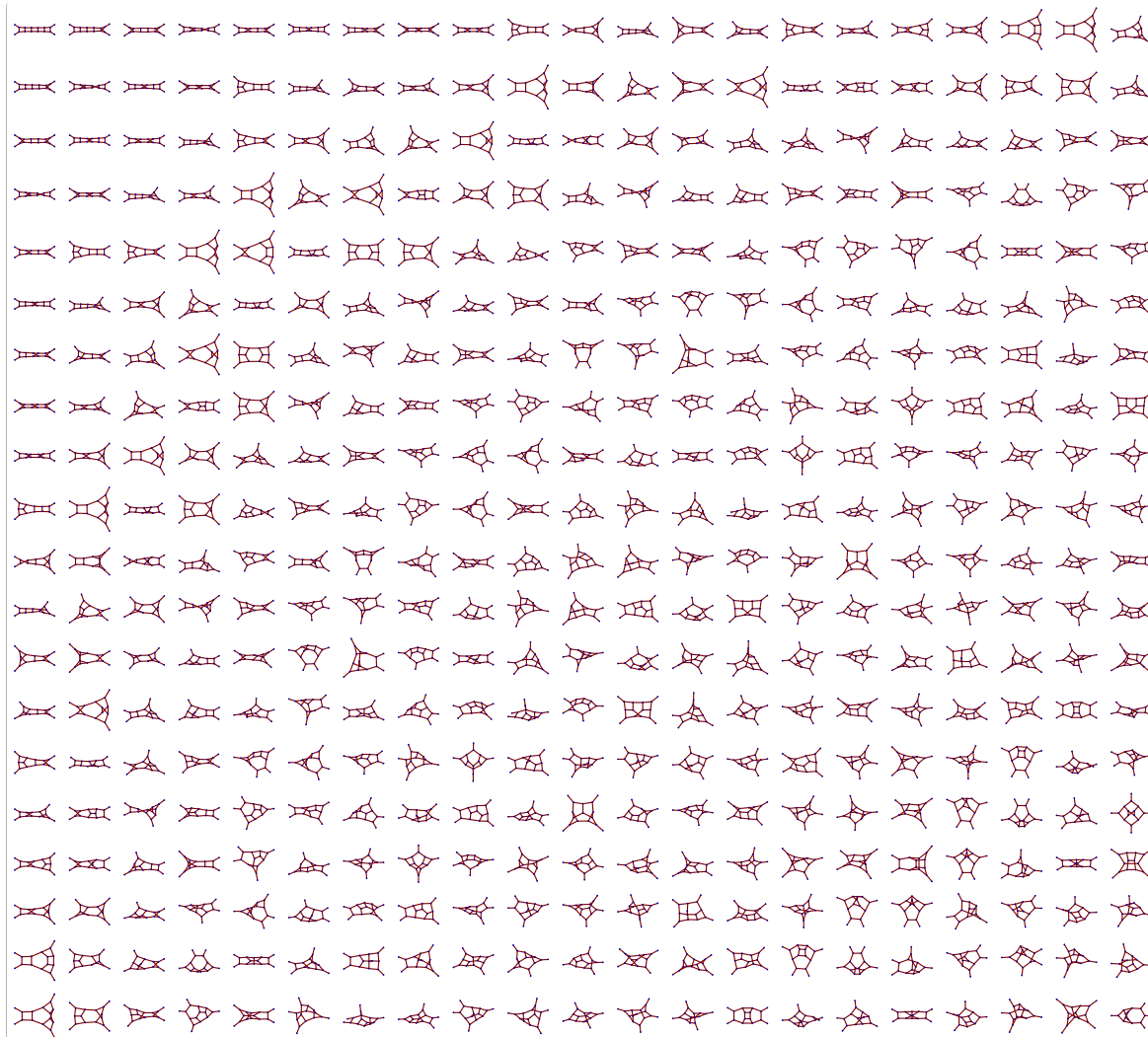
**Need a better way:**

- **Banish large Ansätze or guessing.**
- **No large linear systems. Get amplitude one piece at a time.**
- **Stick to sYM as long as possible and convert to sugra at end.**
- **Keep double-copy idea. Essential!**

# The $N = 4$ sYM 5 Loop Integrand

ZB, Carrasco Johansson, Roiban, arXiv:1207.6666

410 diagrams



**Want to convert this to  $N = 8$  supergravity.**

# Contact Term Method

ZB, Carrasco, Chen, Johansson, Roiban

**Task is to convert  $N = 4$  sYM 5-loop integrand into  $N = 8$  sugra.**

**Start with “naïve double copy” of *any* correct sYM integrand:**

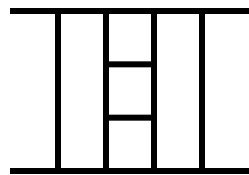
$$N = 4 \text{ sYM} \quad \sum_{\text{diags } i} \frac{c_i n_i}{D_i} \quad N = 8 \text{ sugra} \quad \sum_{\text{diags } i} \frac{n_i n_i}{D_i}$$

$\varphi^3$  diagrams

**Without BCJ duality, not the correct  $N = 8$  integrand**

**$N = 8$  cuts:**

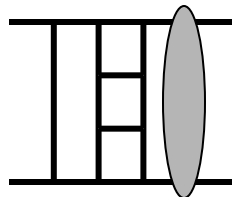
**Max cuts:**



**Automatic**

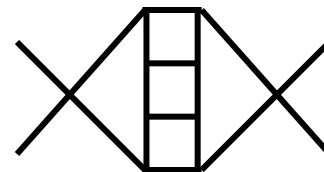
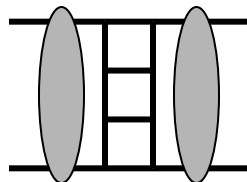
**Generalized Unitarity**  
All exposed legs  
on shell

**$N_{\text{max}}$  cuts:**



**Automatic via BCJ**

**$N^2_{\text{max}}$  cuts:**

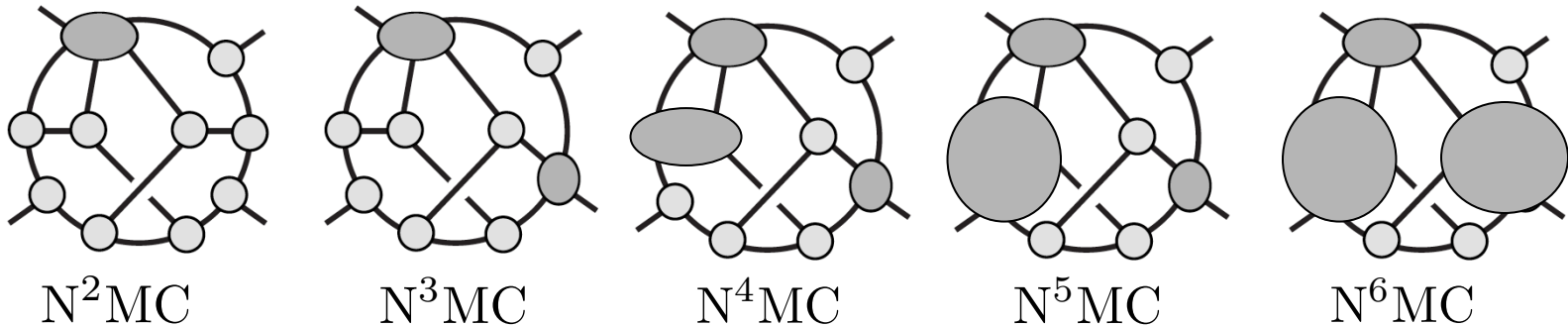


**Add contact term  
to make it work**

**Blobs interfere: not automatic**

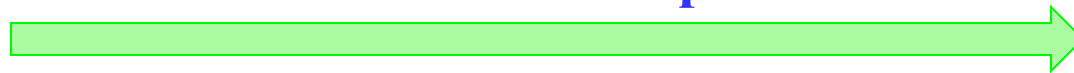
# Contact Term Method

**contact = (gravity cut) – (cut of incomplete amplitude)**



**Cuts become complicated**

**analytical**



**numerical**

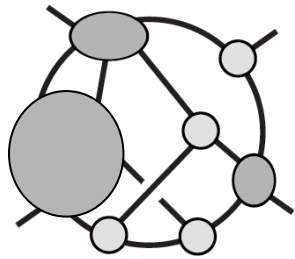
**Missing contact terms become simple for complicated cuts**

**$N^6\text{MC}$  contact numerator:**  $a_1 s^2 + a_2 st + a_3 t^2$

- **Contact associated with cut directly giving missing piece of amplitude.**
- **75K cuts need to be evaluated.**
- **Sounds daunting. Not for faint of heart.**

**Game for optimists: “Simplifying miracle is around the corner”**

# Generating SUGRA Cut



$N^5$ MC

$$(\text{SUGRA cut}) = \sum_{\substack{N=8 \\ \text{states}}} M_1^{\text{tree}} M_2^{\text{tree}} \dots M_m^{\text{tree}}$$

**Gravity tree ampl**

**KLT kernel**

**Color order YM tree**

**KLT Relation:**

$$M_n^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{i,j} K_{i,j} (A_n^{\text{tree}})_i (\tilde{A}_n^{\text{tree}})_j$$

*Kawai, Lewellen and Tye*

$$(N = 8 \text{ state sum}) = (N = 4 \text{ sYM state sum}) \times (N = 4 \text{ sYM state sum})$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{gravity cut}) &= \sum_{\substack{i_1 \dots i_k \\ j_1 \dots j_k}} K_{i_1 \dots i_k, j_1 \dots j_k} \sum_{N=4 \text{ states}} A_1^{\text{tree}} \dots A_k^{\text{tree}} \sum_{N=4 \text{ states}} \tilde{A}_1^{\text{tree}} \dots \tilde{A}_k^{\text{tree}} \\ &= (\text{gauge theory cut}) \times (\text{gauge theory cut}) \end{aligned}$$

**Gravity cut generated directly from known 5 loop sYM result.**

**Apply KLT to cuts of known  $N = 4$  sYM loop amplitudes.**

**Fast, but complicated analytic structure.**

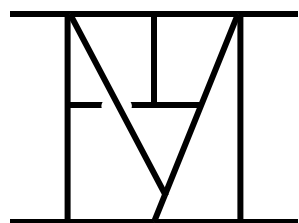


# A Simplifying Miracle

ZB, Carrasco, Chen, Johansson, Roiban

**contact = (gravity cut) – (cut of incomplete amplitude)**

1. Most contact terms vanish! Why?
2. In general gravity contacts far simpler than expected.
3. **Four-point double-contacts factorize. Extremely striking.**



double 4pt  
contact

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ 2s^3 - s^2u + 4s^2(2k_1 \cdot l_6) + \dots \right] \\ & \times \left[ s^2u + 2su^2 - s^2(2k_1 \cdot l_6) + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

**Each factor  
looks like  
gauge theory**

**Reminds us of KLT factorization:**

$$M^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4) = s_{12} A^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4) \times A^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 4, 3)$$

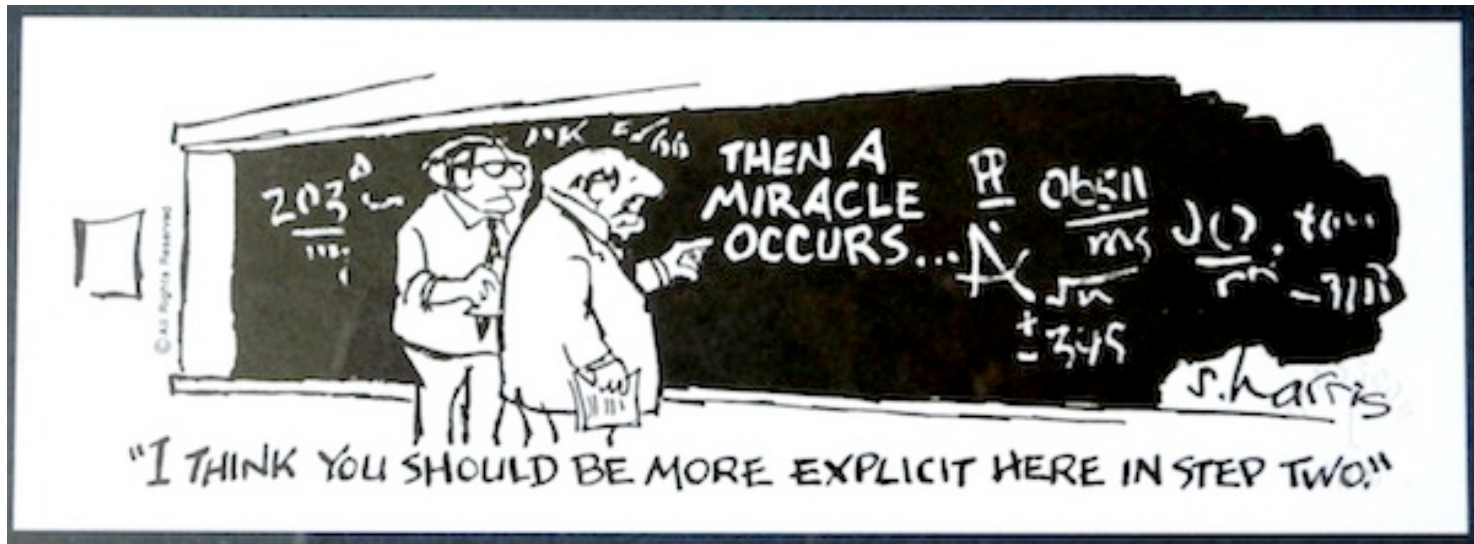
**For 5 or higher-point contacts no overall factorization, as with KLT.**

**Can we write down formulas that give missing gravity pieces directly from gauge theory, bypassing gravity cuts?**

# A Miracle

1. Start from gauge-theory loop amplitude.
2. Construct naïve double copy.
3. Compute cut of naïve double copy.
4. Compute gravity cut from gauge-theory cuts via KLT.
5. Subtract and shake hard (nontrivial).
6. Extract surprisingly simple gravity contact.

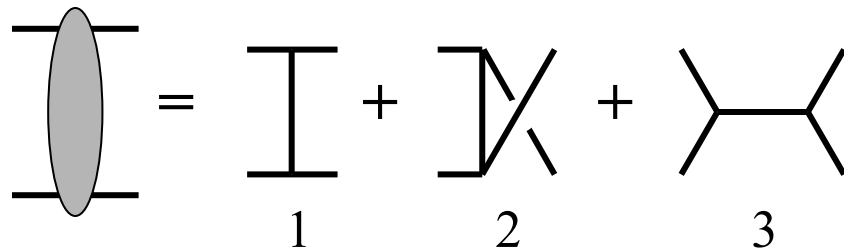
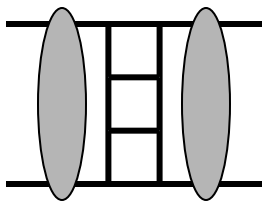
**Miracle:** The contact terms are so simple we should be able write down missing gravity contacts directly from gauge theory.



# BCJ Discrepancy Functions

Need a function defined purely in gauge theory as building block for missing gravity pieces.

Inside multiloop diagram



BCJ discrepancy function:

$$J \equiv \sum_{i=1}^3 n_i$$

kinematic numerators

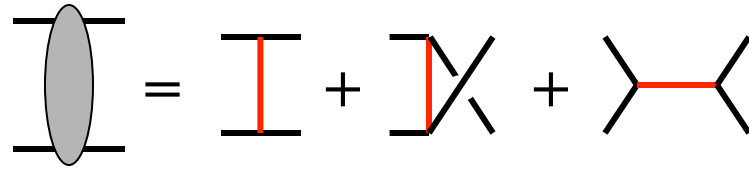
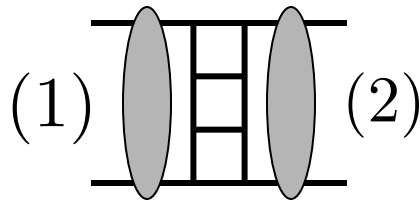
Vanishes if we have BCJ form of gauge theory.

Obvious guess is these are building blocks for missing gravity pieces.

Missing pieces:

$$\sim \sum J \times J$$

# Deriving Gravity Contact Formulas



## Generalized gauge transformation

$$\delta_{i_1, i_2} \equiv n_{i_1 i_2} - n_{i_1, i_2}^{\text{BCJ}} = d_{i_1}^{(1)} k^{(2)}(i_2) + d_{i_2}^{(2)} k^{(1)}(i_1)$$

$$C_{\text{YM}}^{4 \times 4} = \sum_{i_1, i_2} \frac{\overset{\text{color}}{c_{i_1 i_2}} \overset{\text{numerator}}{n_{i_1 i_2}}}{\underset{\text{propagator}}{d_{i_1}^{(1)} d_{i_2}^{(2)}}}$$

Generalized gauge invariance:

$$\sum_{i_1, i_2} \frac{c_{i_1 i_2} \delta_{i_1 i_2}}{d_{i_1}^{(1)} d_{i_2}^{(2)}} = 0 = \sum_{i_1, i_2} \frac{n_{i_1 i_2}^{\text{BCJ}} \delta_{i_1 i_2}}{d_{i_1}^{(1)} d_{i_2}^{(2)}}$$

BCJ discrepancy function:

$$J_{i_2}^{(1)} \equiv \sum_{i_1}^3 n_{i_1 i_2} = d_{i_2}^{(1)} \sum_{i_1}^3 k^{(1)}(i_1)$$

$$J_{i_1}^{(2)} \equiv \sum_{i_2}^3 n_{i_1 i_2} = d_{i_1}^{(2)} \sum_{i_2}^3 k^{(2)}(i_2)$$

$$C_{\text{SG}}^{4 \times 4} = \sum_{i_1, i_2} \frac{n_{i_1 i_2}^{\text{BCJ}} n_{i_1 i_2}^{\text{BCJ}}}{d_{i_1}^{(1)} d_{i_2}^{(2)}}$$

cross term between numerators and discrepancy vanishes.

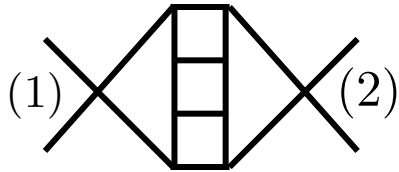
Formula for missing contact:

$$C_{\text{SG}}^{4 \times 4} = \sum_{i_1, i_2} \frac{n_{i_1 i_2} n_{i_1 i_2}}{d_{i_1}^{(1)} d_{i_2}^{(2)}} - \frac{2}{d_1^{(1)} d_1^{(2)}} J_1^{(1)} J_1^{(2)}$$

# Gravity from Gauge Theory

ZB, Carrasco, Chen, Johansson, Roiban

## Missing gravity from any gauge theory representation

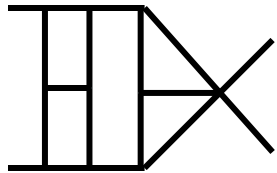


$$-\frac{2}{d_1^{(1)} d_1^{(2)}} J_1^{(1)} J_1^{(2)}$$

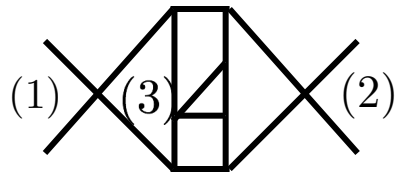
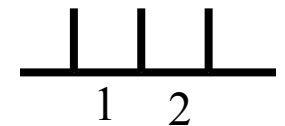
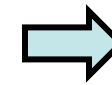
BCJ discrepancy functions

propagators cancel trivially

15 diagrams



$$-\frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^{15} \frac{J_{i,1} J_{i,2}}{d_{i,1} d_{i,2}}$$



$$2 \frac{J_{1,1}^{(1)} J_1^{(2,3)} + J_{1,1}^{(2)} J_1^{(1,3)} + J_{1,1}^{(3)} J_1^{(1,2)}}{d_1^{(1)} d_1^{(2)} d_1^{(3)}}$$

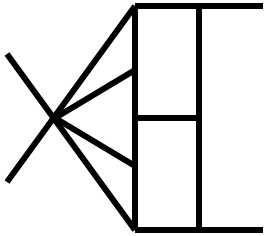
$$-\sum_{i_3} \frac{2J_{1,i_3}^{(1)} J_{1,i_3}^{(2)}}{d_1^{(1)} d_1^{(2)} d_{i_3}^{(3)}} - \sum_{i_2} \frac{2J_{i_2,1}^{(1)} J_{1,i_2}^{(3)}}{d_1^{(1)} d_{i_2}^{(2)} d_1^{(3)}} - \sum_{i_1} \frac{2J_{i_1,1}^{(2)} J_{i_1,1}^{(3)}}{d_{i_1}^{(1)} d_1^{(2)} d_1^{(3)}}$$

Etc.

- Applies to *any* adjoint gauge theory, not just  $N = 4$  sYM.
- Simple generalization for asymmetric double copies.
- Same constructions work at tree level! Five-point formula similar to known tree formula.

Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Søndergaard, Vanhove

## 5 Loop $N = 8$ supergravity



The generalized double copy enormously simplifies the computation of missing gravity contact terms. The impossible becomes doable!

$N^2 - N^3$  maximal cuts: use formulas.

$N^4 - N^6$  maximal cuts: numerical analysis more efficient.

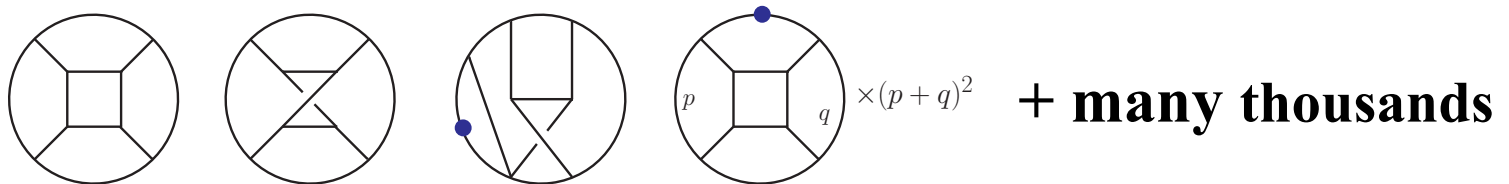
**We have the five-loop integrand!**

- Of 76K potential contact terms 60K vanish.
- Details depends on arbitrary choices starting from naïve double copy.
- Contact-term representation is poor. Terms quartically divergent in  $D = 24/5$  instead of log divergent.
- Dropped scale free tadpoles which integrate zero.
- Have confirmed our construction using nearly all  $N^7$  maximal and 70/638  $N^8$  maximal cuts.

# Integrating 5 Loop $N = 8$ supergravity

Next step is to integrate the expression for large loop momenta.

Constructed representation is poor: need to series expand in four powers of external momenta. Get vacuum diagrams.



Lorentz symmetry

$$0 = \int \left( \prod_{a=1}^L d^D \ell_a \right) \sum_{a=1}^L \left( \ell_{a\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial \ell_a^\nu} - \ell_{a\nu} \frac{\partial}{\partial \ell_a^\mu} \right) \frac{\mathcal{N}(\ell_i)}{\prod_j \ell_j^2}$$

SL(5) relabeling symmetry

$$0 = \int \left( \prod_{a=1}^L d^D \ell_a \right) \sum_{a=1}^L \frac{\partial}{\partial \ell_a^\nu} \frac{\omega_{ab} \ell_{b\mu} \mathcal{N}(\ell_i)}{\prod_j \ell_j^2}$$

Should be sufficient for finding enhanced cancellations.

ZB, Enciso, Parra-Martinez, Zeng

Looks possible to find a much better representation with clever BCJ trickery.

Alex Edision and Julio Parra-Martinez

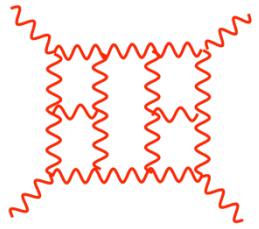
# Some Remaining Challenges

- **Want complete set of formulas for converting *any* gauge-theory loop amplitude to corresponding gravity ones.**
- **Want better 5-loop sYM starting point to make UV extraction easier.**
- **Systematic and complete understanding of “enhanced cancellations” still needed.**
- **Can we carry over ideas to general classical solutions, without starting from special gauges? Applications to gravitational radiation?**

Goldberger, Ridgway (2016); Luna, Monterio, Nicholson, O’Connell, Ochirov, Westerberg, White (2016)



# Summary



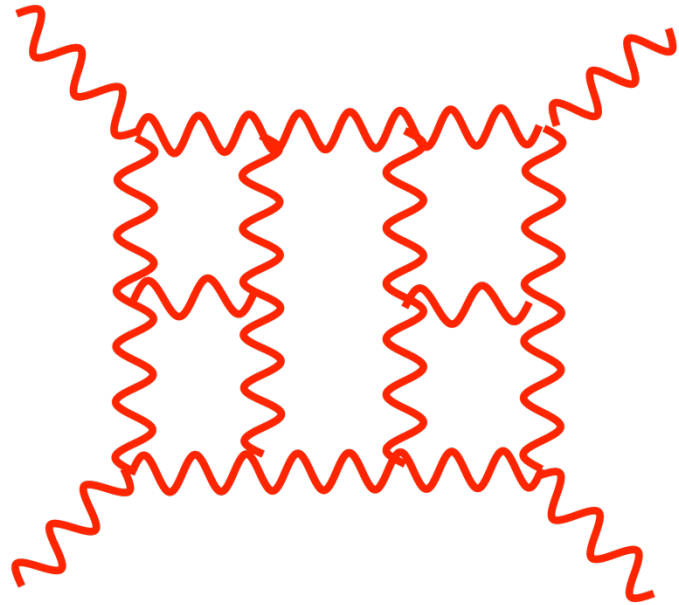
1. Duality between color and kinematics.
2. Double copy idea offer nontrivial insight into gravity.
  - Gravity loops from gauge theory.
  - Classical solutions.
3. Even when duality not manifest, new ideas allow us to extract gravity generalized double copy from gauge theory.
4. Applied these ideas to obtain 5 loop integrand.
5. We have new ideas for speeding up integration. Lorentz and  $SL(L)$  relabeling symmetry. Stay tuned!

In the coming months we hope report on whether English wine is any good...



**We have a powerful new way to construct multiloop gravity amplitudes from gauge theory. Expect to learn a lot more about gravity in the coming years.**

# Extra



# Recent Related Activities

- **Examples of exact classical solutions, including black holes.**  
Monteiro, O'Connell, White; Luna, Monteiro, O'Connell, White (2015)
- **Perturbative constructions of general classical solutions, including gravitational radiation problems (LIGO)**  
Goldberger, Ridgway (2016); Luna, Monterio, Nicholson, O'Connell, Ochirov, Westerberg, White (2016)
- **Loop level KLT and BCJ, using CHY, ambitwistor string, Q-cuts**  
Song He, Oliver Schlotterer (2016), Tourkine, Vanhove (2016)
- **Analytic properties of gravity integrands.** Herrmann and Trnka (2016)
- **Kinematic algebra behind BCJ duality.**  
Monteiro and O'Connell; Cheung and Shen (2016).
- **Simplified gravity Lagrangian from left-right factorization.**  
Cheung and Remmen (2016)
- **Double copy as consequence of gauge invariance.**  
Chiodaroli; Boels, Medina (2016), Arkani-Hamed, Rodina, Trnka (2016)
- **Applications in string theory.** Steiberger; Vahhove  
Carrasco, Mafra, Schlotterer, (2016); Mafra and Schlotterer (2015,2016)