

New Relations for Einstein-Yang-Mills Amplitudes



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- **Disk Scattering of Open and Closed Strings (I),**
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- **Subleading Terms in the Collinear Limit of Yang–Mills Amplitudes,**
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Einstein-Yang-Mills Amplitudes

basic building blocks for BCFW recursion relations:

$$A(1^-, 2^-, 3^+) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 31 \rangle}$$

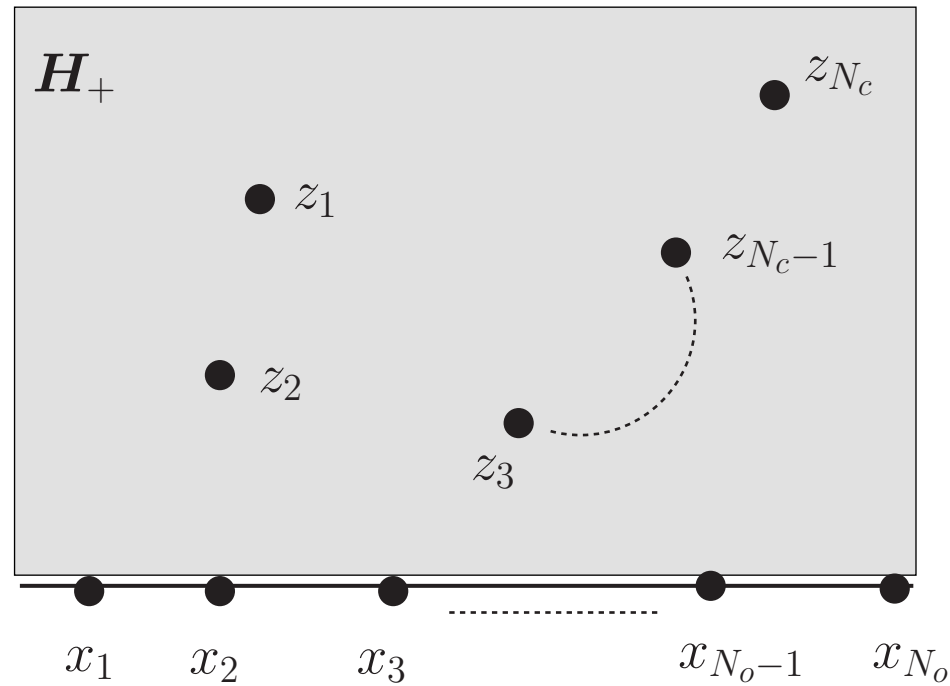
$$A(1^{--}, 2^{--}, 3^{++}) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^6}{\langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 31 \rangle^2} \qquad A(1^+, 2^-, 3^{--}) = \frac{\langle 23 \rangle^4}{\langle 12 \rangle^2}$$

standard Feynman diagram computation or BCFW recursion relations yields, e.g.:

$$A(1^+, 2^+, 3^-; q^{--}) = \frac{\langle 3q \rangle^4}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 31 \rangle}$$

EYM Amplitudes from String Theory

Mixed amplitudes involving open and closed strings:



$$\langle e^{ik_1^\mu X_\mu(x_1)} e^{ik_2^\nu X_\nu(x_2)} \rangle = (x_1 - x_2)^{2\alpha' k_1 k_2}$$

$$\langle e^{iq_1^\mu X_\mu(z_1)} e^{iq_2^\nu X_\nu(z_2)} \rangle = (z_1 - z_2)^{2\alpha' q_1 q_2}$$

$$\langle e^{iq_1^\mu X_\mu(z_1)} e^{iq_2^\nu X_\nu(\bar{z}_2)} \rangle = (z_1 - \bar{z}_2)^{2\alpha' q_1 q_2}$$

$$\langle e^{iq_1^\mu X_\mu(z_1)} e^{ik^\nu X_\nu(x_1)} \rangle = (z_1 - x_1)^{2\alpha' q_1^\mu k_\mu}$$

$$\langle e^{iq_1^\mu X_\mu(\bar{z}_1)} e^{ik^\nu X_\nu(x_1)} \rangle = (\bar{z}_1 - x_1)^{2\alpha' q_1^\mu k_\mu}$$

$$s_{ij} \equiv s_{i,j} = \alpha' (k_i + k_j)^2 = 2\alpha' k_i k_j$$

$$F(1, 2, \dots, N-2; q_1, q_2)$$

$$= V_{\text{CKG}}^{-1} \delta\left(\sum_{i=1}^{N-2} p_i + q_1 + q_2\right) \int_{x_1 < \dots < x_{N-2}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^{N-2} dx_i\right) \prod_{1 \leq r < s \leq N-2} (x_s - x_r)^{s_{rs}} (x_r - x_s)^{n_{rs}}$$

$$\times \int_{\mathcal{H}_+} d^2 z (z - \bar{z})^{s_{N-1, N} + n} \prod_{i=1}^{N-2} (x_i - z)^{s_{i, N-1} + n_i} (x_i - \bar{z})^{s_{i, N} + \bar{n}_i}$$

"Doubling trick":

- convert disk correlators to the **standard holomorphic** ones by extending the fields to the **entire complex plane**.

"KLT trick":

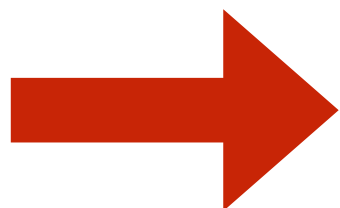
- integration over complex positions of closed string states can be **disentangled** into real ones by introducing **monodromy phases**



monodromy problem on the complex plane

N_o open & N_c closed strings:

$N_o + 2N_c$ - point **pure** open string amplitude



relations between
amplitudes involving **open & closed strings** and
pure open string amplitudes

$$N_c=1$$

$$A(1,2,\ldots,N-2;q_1,q_2)=(-1)^N\;e^{-\pi i(s_{1,N}+s_{2,N-1})}\;\sum_{l=2}^{N-2}(-1)^l\;\sin(\pi s_{l,N-1})\;e^{\pi i(-1)^l\;s_{l,N-1}}\\ \times \sum_{\rho\in\{OP(\alpha,\beta^t),l\}}e^{\pi i\sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor\frac{N-3}{2}\rfloor}\tau_{2k+1}(\rho)}\;\mathcal{S}(\rho)\;A(1,\rho,N-1,N)$$

$$s_{ij}\equiv s_{i,j}=\alpha'(k_i+k_j)^2=2\alpha'k_ik_j$$

$$\underline{E.g.}: \quad \mathbf{N=5}$$

$$A(1,2,3;q_1,q_2)=e^{-\pi i s_{24}}\;\left[\;e^{-\pi i s_{51}}\;\sin(\pi s_{34})\;A(1,2,3,4,5)-\sin(\pi s_{24})\;A(1,3,2,4,5)\;\right]$$

$$\mathcal{S}(\rho)\equiv\mathcal{S}[\rho(2,\ldots,N-2)]=\prod_{i=2}^{N-2}\prod_{j=i+1}^{N-2}\exp\big\{\pi i\;\theta(\rho^{-1}(i)-\rho^{-1}(j))\;s_{i,j}\big\}$$

$$\tau_i(\rho)=\begin{cases}\text{sign}(\rho^{-1}(i)-\rho^{-1}(i+1))\;(s_{i,N-1}+s_{i+1,N-1})\;, & 3\leq i\leq N-3\;,\\ s_{N-2,N-1}\;, & i=N-2\end{cases}$$

take collinear limit: $q_1 = k_{N-1} = \frac{1}{2} q$, *graviton is replaced by two gluons in collinear configurations*
E.g.: $q_2 = k_N = \frac{1}{2} q$

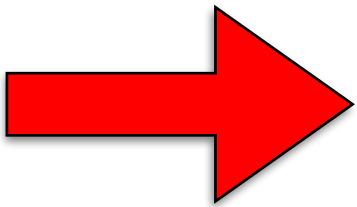
$$A(1, 2, 3; q) = \sin(\pi s_{24}) A(1, 5, 2, 4, 3) ,$$

$$A(1, 2, 3, 4; q) = \sin(\pi s_{25}) A(1, 6, 2, 5, 3, 4) + \sin(\pi s_{45}) A(1, 2, 3, 5, 4, 6) ,$$

$$A(1, 2, 3, 4, 5; q) = \sin(\pi s_{26}) A(1, 7, 2, 6, 3, 4, 5) + \sin(\pi s_{36}) A(1, 2, 7, 3, 6, 4, 5) \\ + \sin[\pi(s_{36} + s_{26})] A(1, 7, 2, 3, 6, 4, 5) + \sin(\pi s_{56}) A(1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 5, 7)$$

take field-theory limit: yields **Einstein-Yang-Mills**
for any kinematical configuration

“graviton appears as a pair of collinear gauge bosons”



$$A_{EYM}(1^+, 2^+, 3^-; q^{--}) = \pi s_{24} A_{YM}(1^+, 5^-, 2^+, 4^-, 3^-)$$

with SYM amplitude:

$$A_{YM}(1^+, 5^-, 2^+, 4^-, 3^-) = 4 \frac{[12]^4}{[1q][q3][13][2q]^2}$$

generalization to arbitrary collinear configuration:

*graviton is replaced by two gluons
in **arbitrary** collinear configurations*

$$q_1 = k_{N-1} = x \, q,$$

$$q_2 = k_N = (1 - x) \, q$$

x is a free real parameter !

E.g.:

$$A(1, 2, 3; q_1, q_2) = \frac{\kappa (1 - x)}{g^2} s_{24} A(1, 5, 2, 4, 3) ,$$

$$A(1, 2, 3, 4; q_1, q_2) = \frac{\kappa (1 - x)}{g^2} \left\{ s_{25} A(1, 6, 2, 5, 3, 4) + s_{45} A(1, 2, 3, 5, 4, 6) \right\} ,$$

$$A(1, 2, 3, 4, 5; q_1, q_2) = \frac{\kappa (1 - x)}{g^2} \left\{ s_{26} A(1, 7, 2, 6, 3, 4, 5) + s_{36} A(1, 2, 7, 3, 6, 4, 5) \right. \\ \left. + (s_{36} + s_{26}) A(1, 7, 2, 3, 6, 4, 5) + s_{56} A(1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 5, 7) \right\}$$

highly non-trivial !

can explicitly be checked !

New Relations between Einstein-Yang-Mills and Yang-Mills Amplitudes

based on these results we may take:

soft-gluon limit of (N-1)-th gluon

$$x = 0 \begin{cases} q_1 = k_{N-1} \rightarrow 0, \\ q_2 = k_N \rightarrow q \end{cases}$$

with:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x (1-x) A(\dots, m, xq^+, n, \dots) = g \frac{\langle mn \rangle}{\langle mq \rangle \langle qn \rangle} A(\dots, m, n, \dots),$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x (1-x) A(\dots, m, xq^-, n, \dots) = g \frac{[mn]}{[mq][qn]} A(\dots, m, n, \dots)$$

$$A_{EYM}(1, 2, \dots, N; q^{++}) = \frac{\kappa}{g} \sum_{l=2}^{N-1} \frac{\langle 1|x_l|q \rangle}{\langle 1q \rangle} A(1, 2, \dots, l, q^+, l+1, \dots, N)$$

$$A_{EYM}(1, 2, \dots, N; q^{--}) = \frac{\kappa}{g} \sum_{l=2}^{N-1} \frac{[1|x_l|q]}{[1q]} A(1, 2, \dots, l, q^-, l+1, \dots, N)$$

(N+1)-point on both sides !

$$x_l = \sum_{k=1}^l p_k$$

in any dimension D :

$$A_{EYM}(1, 2, \dots, N; q^{\pm\pm}) = \frac{\kappa}{g} \sum_{l=1}^{N-1} (\epsilon_P^{\pm} \cdot x_l) A(1, 2, \dots, l, q^{\pm}, l+1, \dots, N)$$

the graviton is inserted into partial gauge amplitudes in the same way as a vector boson of a **spectator group** commuting with the group associated to N gauge bosons.

Note:

$$A_{EYM}(1, 2, \dots, N; q^{++}) = \frac{\kappa}{g} \sum_{l=2}^{N-1} \frac{\langle 1|x_l|q \rangle}{\langle 1q \rangle} A(1, 2, \dots, l, q^+, l+1, \dots, N)$$

factors appear in Mason-Skinner representation of multi-graviton MHV amplitudes

$$A_E = \frac{1}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 13 \rangle} \sum_{\mathcal{P}} A(1, \dots, N) \prod_{k=4}^N \frac{\langle 2|3 + \dots + (k-1)|k \rangle}{\langle 2k \rangle}$$

hints towards multi-graviton generalization

back to string theory:

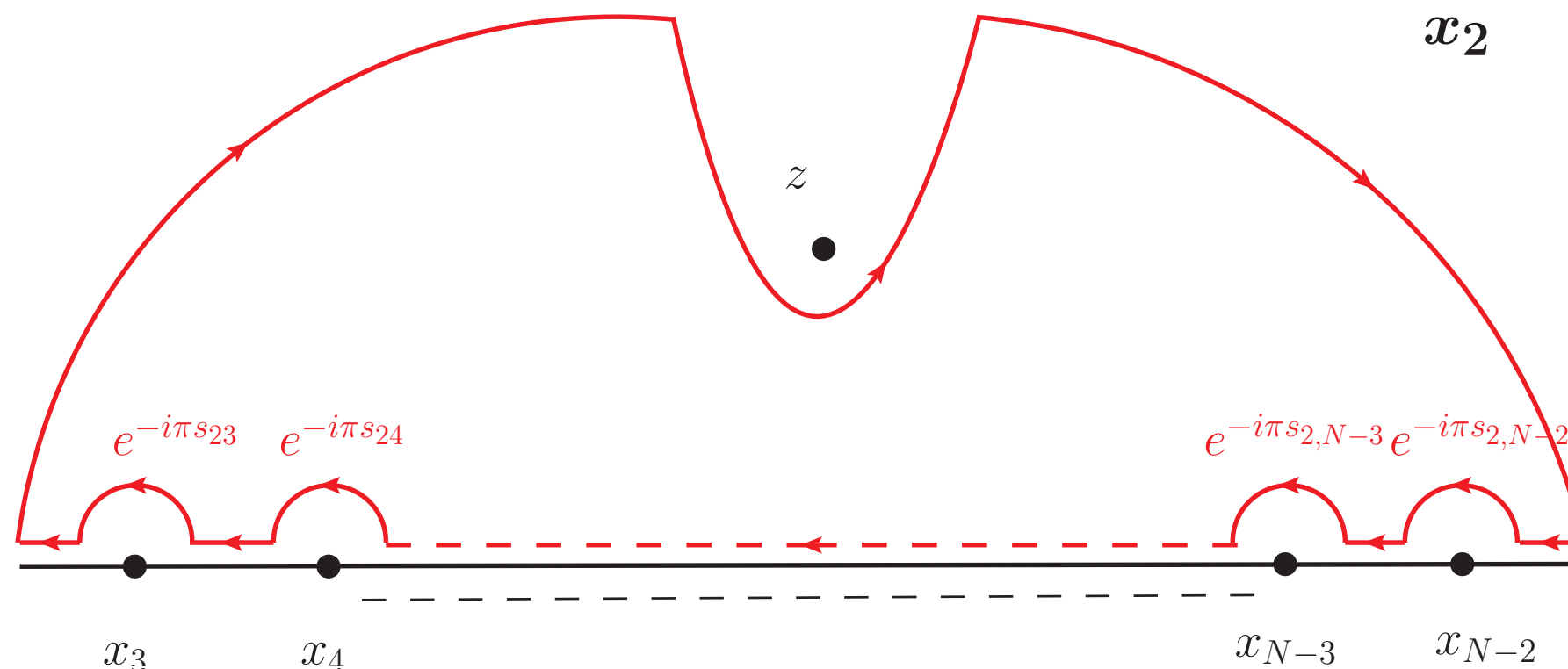
generic form factor

$$F(1, 2, \dots, N-2; q_1, q_2)$$

$$= V_{\text{CKG}}^{-1} \delta\left(\sum_{i=1}^{N-2} p_i + q_1 + q_2\right) \int_{x_1 < \dots < x_{N-2}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^{N-2} dx_i\right) \prod_{1 \leq r < s \leq N-2} (x_s - x_r)^{s_{rs}} (x_r - x_s)^{n_{rs}}$$

$$\times \int_{\mathcal{H}_+} d^2 z (z - \bar{z})^{s_{N-1, N} + n} \prod_{i=1}^{N-2} (x_i - z)^{s_{i, N-1} + n_i} (x_i - \bar{z})^{s_{i, N} + \bar{n}_i}$$

- branching (monodromies) from non-integer part
- make integrand single-valued and consider contour integral



mixed monodromy relations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &A(1, 2, \dots, N-2; q_1, q_2) + e^{-i\pi s_{23}} A(1, 3, 2, \dots, N-2; q_1, q_2) \\
 &+ e^{-i\pi(s_{23}+s_{24})} A(1, 3, 4, 2, \dots, N-2; q_1, q_2) \\
 &+ \dots + e^{-i\pi(s_{23}+s_{23}+\dots+s_{2,N-2})} A(1, 3, \dots, N-2, 2; q_1, q_2) = T(3, \dots, N-2)
 \end{aligned}$$

*system can be solved
for mixed amplitudes
in terms of pure open string amplitudes*

tube contribution $T(3, \dots, N-2)$
string effect

$T(3, \dots, N-2)$ can be expressed
in terms of pure open string subamplitudes

$$T(3) = 2i e^{-i\pi s_{51}} \sin(\pi s_{24}) \{ \sin(\pi s_{34}) A(1, 5, 4, 3, 2) + \sin[\pi(s_{23} + s_{34})] A(1, 5, 4, 2, 3) \}$$

E.g.:

$$A(1, 2, 3; q_1, q_2) + e^{-i\pi s_{23}} A(1, 3, 2; q_1, q_2) = -2i e^{-i\pi s_{51}} \sin(\pi s_{24}) \sin(\pi s_{35}) A(1, 2, 4, 5, 3)$$

Extract various amplitude relations:

$$A(1, \dots, N-2, q) = \alpha' A_{EYM}(1, \dots, N-2, q) + i\alpha'^2 A^{(1)} + \alpha'^3 A^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha'^4)$$

$$A_{EYM}(1, 2, \dots, N-2; q) + A_{EYM}(1, 3, 2, \dots, N-2; q) \\ + A_{EYM}(1, 3, 4, 2, \dots, N-2; q) + \dots + A_{EYM}(1, 3, \dots, N-2, 2; q) = 0$$

KK type relations

E.g. $N=6$:

$$A^{(1)}(1, 2, 3, 4; q) + A^{(1)}(1, 3, 2, 4; q) + A^{(1)}(1, 3, 4, 2; q) \\ - \pi s_{23} A_{EYM}(1, 3, 2, 4; q) - \pi (s_{23} + s_{24}) A_{EYM}(1, 3, 4, 2; q) = \Im T(3, 4)|_{\alpha'^2}$$

BCJ type relations

Actually: $A^{(1)}(1, 2, 3; q) - A^{(1)}(1, 3, 2; q) = 0$

Collinear gauge limit from EYM

Recall:

$$A(1, 2, \dots, N-2; q_1, q_2) = (-1)^N e^{-\pi i(s_{1,N} + s_{2,N-1})} \sum_{l=2}^{N-2} (-1)^l \sin(\pi s_{l,N-1}) e^{\pi i(-1)^l s_{l,N-1}} \\ \times \sum_{\rho \in \{OP(\alpha, \beta^t), l\}} e^{\pi i \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \frac{N-3}{2} \rfloor} \tau_{2k+1}(\rho)} \mathcal{S}(\rho) A(1, \rho, N-1, N) .$$

take field-theory limit:

$$A_{EYM}(1, 2, \dots, N-2; q) = (-1)^N \pi \sum_{l=2}^{N-2} (-1)^l s_{l,N-1} A(1, \rho, N-1, N)$$

collinear limit
of gluon N-1 and N



$$q_1 = k_{N-1} = x q$$

$$q_2 = k_N = (1-x) q$$

$$s_{ij} = 2\alpha' k_i k_j$$

N=5

$$s_{3q} A(1, 2, 3, 4^\pm, 5^\pm) - s_{2q} A(1, 3, 2, 4^\pm, 5^\pm) = \frac{g^2}{\kappa x} A(1, 2, 3; q^{\pm 2})$$

with:
$$A(1, \dots, N-1^+, N^+) = \frac{1}{\langle N-1 \ N \rangle \mathbf{sc}} A(1, \dots, q^+) + \epsilon^0 \text{Sub}^{++} + \dots$$

leading contributions cancel due to BCJ relations

$$k_{N-1} = \mathbf{c}^2 q - \epsilon \mathbf{sc}(\lambda_q \tilde{\lambda}_r + \lambda_r \tilde{\lambda}_q) + \epsilon^2 \mathbf{s}^2 r ,$$

$$k_N = \mathbf{s}^2 q + \epsilon \mathbf{sc}(\lambda_q \tilde{\lambda}_r + \lambda_r \tilde{\lambda}_q) + \epsilon^2 \mathbf{c}^2 r$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \sqrt{x} ,$$

$$\mathbf{s} = \sqrt{1-x}$$



Subleading terms are related to EYM amplitude

N=6

$$s_{4q} A(1, 2, 3, 4, 5^\pm, 6^\pm) - s_{3q} [A(1, 2, 4, 3, 5^\pm, 6^\pm) + A(1, 4, 2, 3, 5^\pm, 6^\pm)]$$

$$+ s_{2q} A(1, 4, 3, 2, 5^\pm, 6^\pm) = \frac{g^2}{\kappa x} A(1, 2, 3, 4; q^{\pm 2})$$

$\frac{1}{2} (N-3)!$ independent constraints for subleading terms

Graviton amplitudes from gauge amplitudes

express N-graviton amplitude in **Einstein's gravity**
as collinear limits of
certain linear combinations of **pure SYM amplitudes**
in which each graviton is represented by two gauge bosons

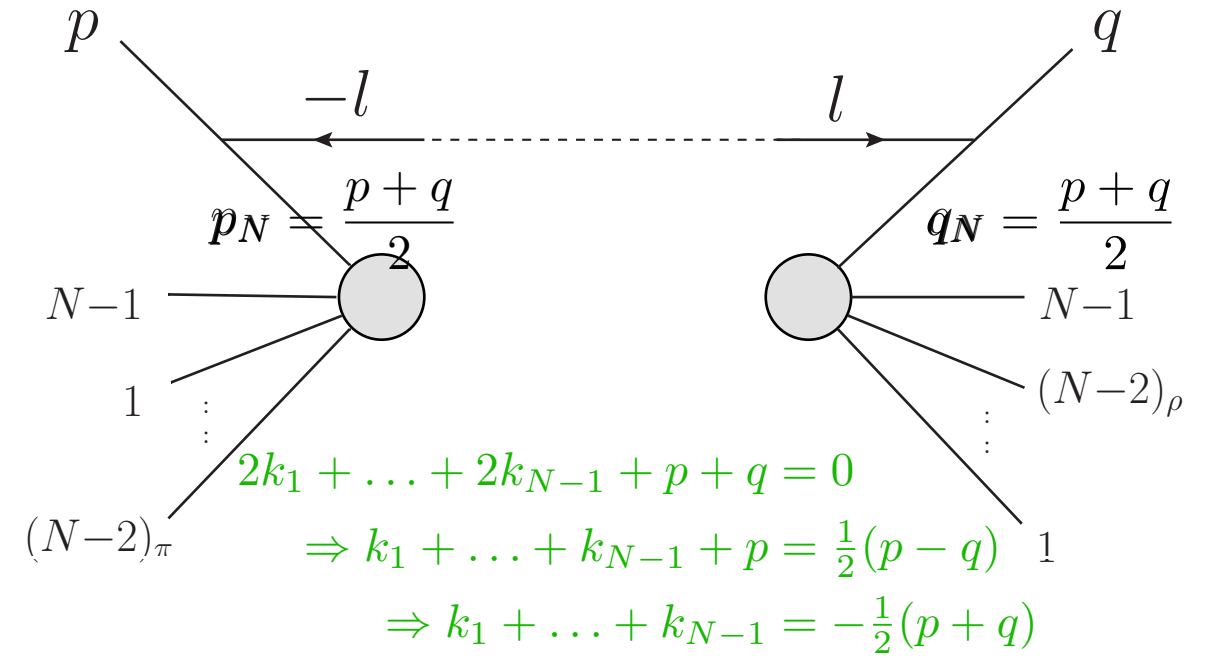
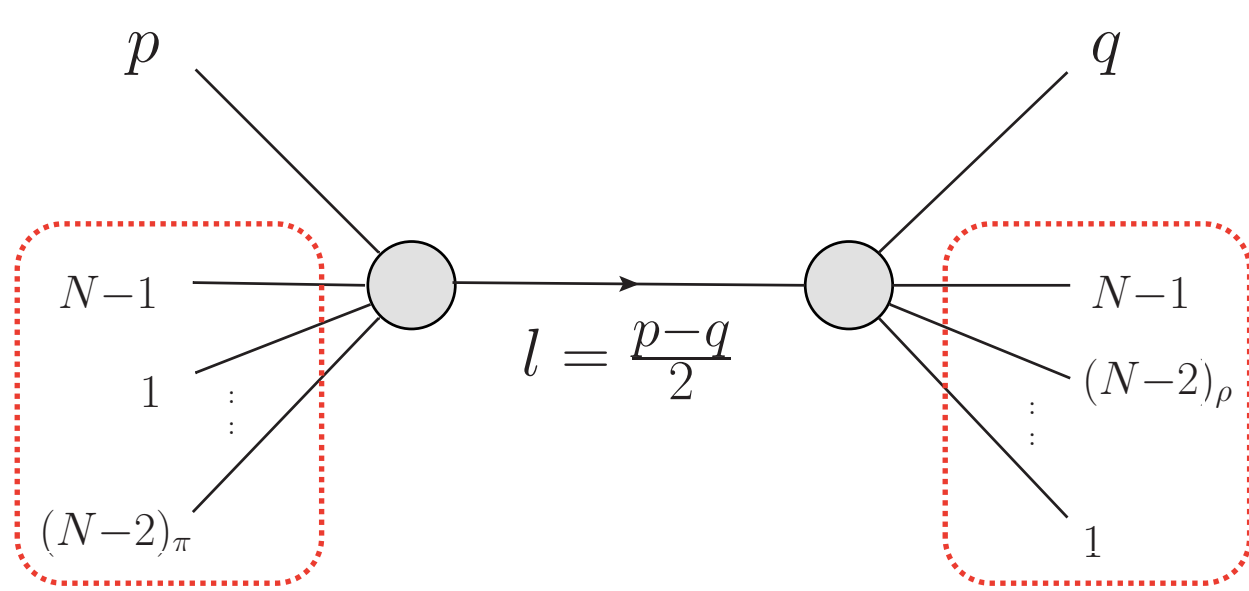
no string theory !
but motivated from string theory

$$A_E[k_1, \lambda_1; \dots; k_{N-1}, \lambda_{N-1}; k_N = p + q, \lambda_N = +2] = \lim_{[pq] \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{2x} \right)^4 \frac{[pq]}{\langle pq \rangle} s_{pq}^2$$

$$\times \sum_{\pi, \rho \in S_{N-3}} S[\pi|\rho] A_{YM}[p, N-1, 1, \pi(2, 3, \dots, N-2), 1, \rho(2, \dots, N-2), N-1, q]$$

*(2N-2 gluons become collinear
without producing poles)*

Proof: contributions from factorization on **triple** pole $s_{pq}^3 \sim (p - q)^6$



$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{YM}[p, N-1, 1, \pi(2, 3, \dots, N-2), 1, \rho(2, \dots, N-2), N-1, q] &\rightarrow \left(\frac{4}{s_{pq}} \right)^3 \times \left\{ \begin{aligned} &A_{YM}[p^+, -l^-, -p_N^-] = \frac{x^3}{2} \langle pq \rangle, \\ &A_{YM}[q^-, l^+, -q_N^-] = \frac{x}{2} \langle pq \rangle \end{aligned} \right. \\
 &\times A_{YM}[p^+, -l^-, -p_N^-] \times A_{YM}[p_N, \mu_N = +1; N-1, 1, \pi(2, 3, \dots, N-2)] \\
 &\times A_{YM}[1, \rho(2, \dots, N-2), N-1; q_N, \nu_N = +1] \times A_{YM}[q^-, l^+, -q_N^-]
 \end{aligned}$$

yields:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &A_E[k_1, \lambda_1; \dots; k_{N-1}, \lambda_{N-1}; k_N, \lambda_N = +2] \\
 &= \sum_{\pi, \rho \in S_{N-3}} S[\pi|\rho] A_{YM}[p_N, \mu_N = +1; N-1, 1, \pi(2, 3, \dots, N-2)] \\
 &\quad \times A_{YM}[1, \rho(2, \dots, N-2), N-1; q_N, \nu_N = +1]
 \end{aligned}$$

Concluding remarks

- new expression for EYM amplitudes
- monodromy relations for mixed string amplitudes giving rise to various amplitude relations
- linear expressions in contrast to KLT (linearization of KLT relations)
- graviton scattering unified into gauge amplitudes
- underlying gauge structure in quantum gravity