

Ten dimensional symmetry of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM correlators

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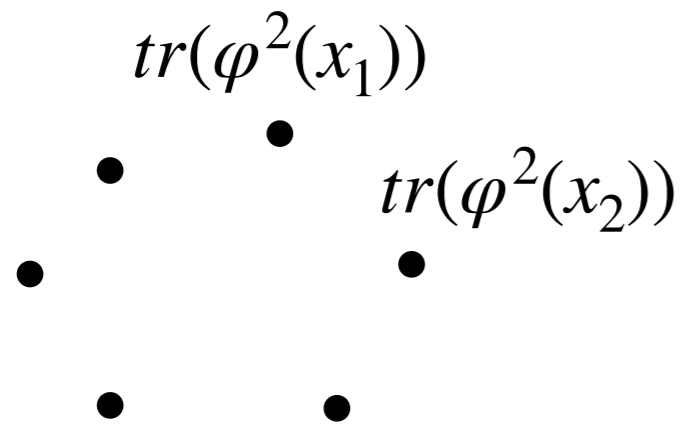
[with Simon Caron-Huot]

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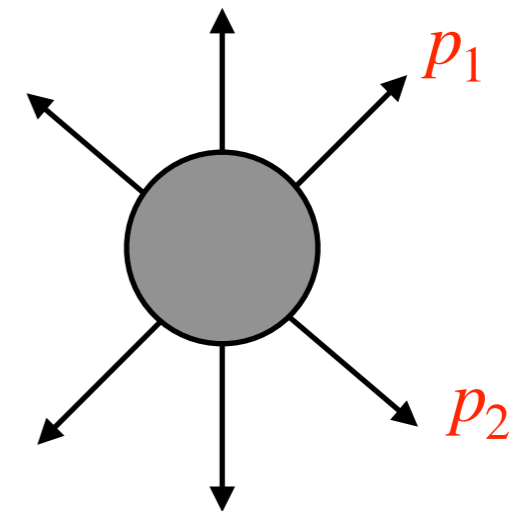
A triality in planar $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM

Correlation function of protected
Dimension-2 operators



[Eden, Korchemsky, Sokatchev; 2010]

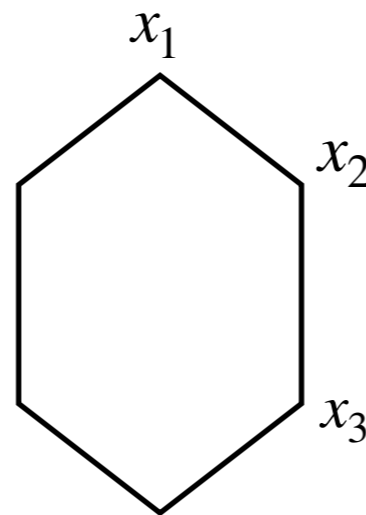
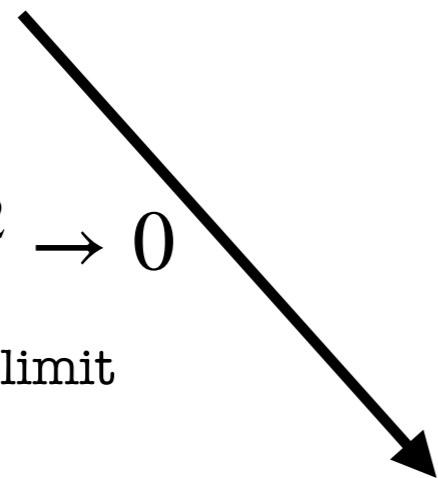
(Square of) massless amplitude



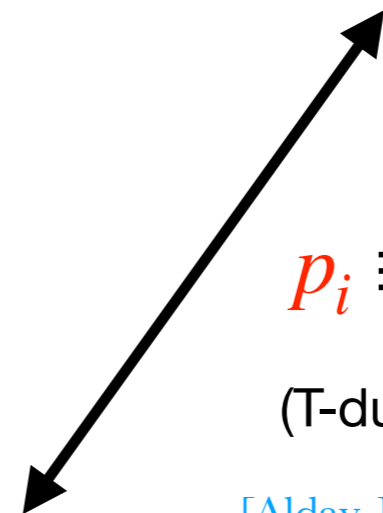
$$(x_i - x_{i+1})^2 \rightarrow 0$$

4D null limit

[Alday, Eden, Korchemsky,
Maldacena, Sokatchev; 2010]



(Square of) null Wilson loop

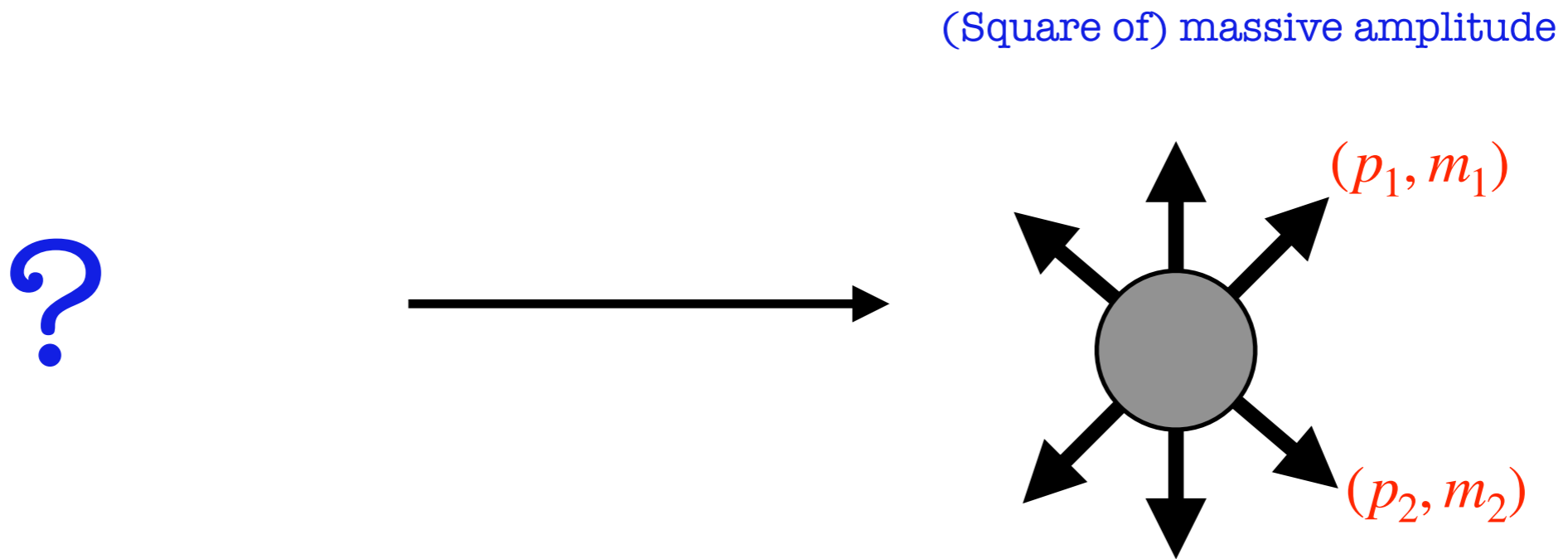


$$p_i \equiv x_i - x_{i+1}$$

(T-duality in AdS)

[Alday, Maldacena, 2007;
Drummond, Henn, Korchemsky,
Sokatchev, 2008;
Berkovits, Maldacena;
Caron-Huot; Mason, Skinner]

Generalization for massive amplitude

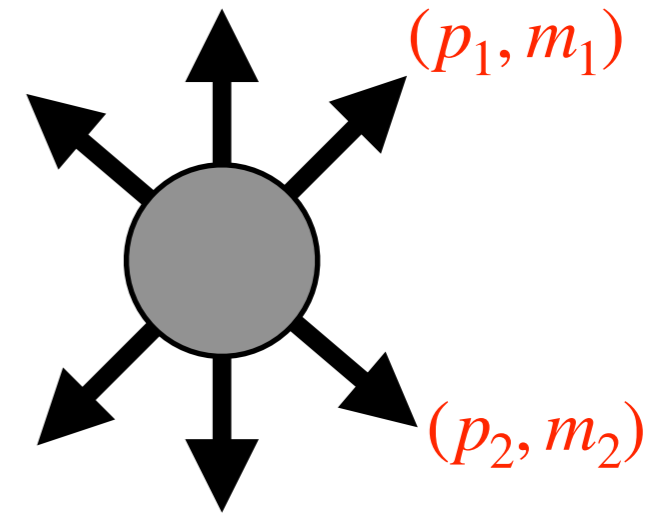


- Massive amplitude in the Coulomb branch (turned on VEVs for scalar fields).
- Amplitude (integrand) has a higher dimensional symmetry that acts on the vector (p_i, m_i) . [Alday, Henn, Plefka, Schuster; Caron-Huot, O'Connell; Bern, Carrasco, Dennen, Huang, Ita]

Generalization for massive amplitude



(Square of) massive amplitude



- Need object with higher-dimensional structure
- Candidates: BPS operators dual to KK modes in $AdS_5 \times S_5$

$$\mathcal{O}_k(x, y) = \frac{1}{k} \text{Tr} (y \cdot \Phi(x))^k$$

Vector of six scalars

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6D null polarization vector
 $y \cdot y = 0$

4D position

fields =
Scaling dimension

- Massive amplitude in the Coulomb branch (turned on VEVs for scalar fields).
- Amplitude (integrand) has a higher dimensional symmetry that acts on the vector (p_i, m_i) .

- In SUGRA a 10D symmetry emerges when summing all (four-point) correlators of $\mathcal{O}_k(x, y)$
- **This talk:** similar 10D structure in a different coupling regime.

[Caron-Huot, Trinh, 2018;
Aprile, Drummond, Heslop, Paul]

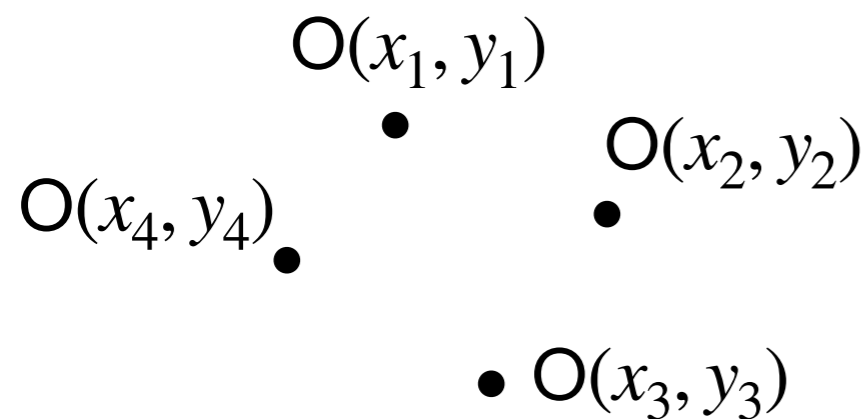
Generalization of correlator/massive amplitude

- The four-point function of the “master operator” $O(x, y) \equiv \sum_k^{\infty} \mathcal{O}_k(x, y)$ has an emergent 10-dimensional structure that combines spacetime and R-charge distances:

$$X_{i,i+1}^2 \equiv \underbrace{(x_i - x_{i+1})^2 + (y_i - y_{i+1})^2}_{\text{spacetime distance}} \stackrel{\text{duality}}{=} \underbrace{p_i^2 + m_i^2}_{\text{R-charge distance}}$$

- The 10D null limit of the “master” correlator is equal to a massive amplitude in the Coulomb branch.

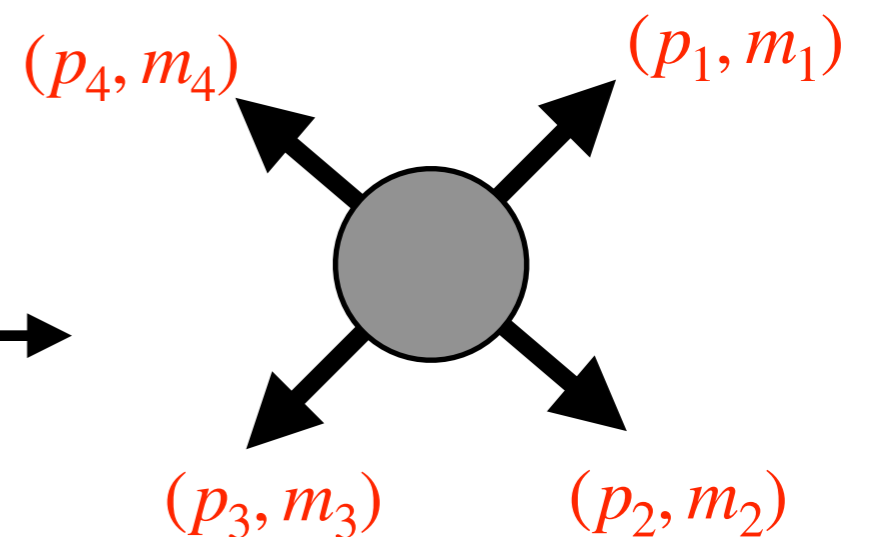
Generating function of all four-point correlators



$$X_{i,i+1}^2 \rightarrow 0$$

10D null limit \equiv massive on-shell condition

(Square of) four-point massive amplitude



- Checked at various loop orders.

Outline

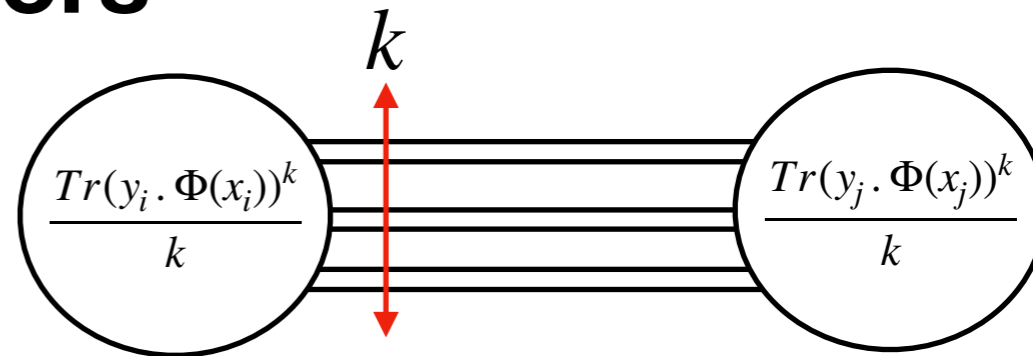
- Ten dimensional structure of free correlators.
 - 10D symmetry of loop integrands.
 - 10D null limit:
massive amplitude = large R-charge correlator (octagon).
 - Amplitude/octagon from integrability and massless limit.
- Weak Coupling

Free correlators

- Computed by Wick contractions:

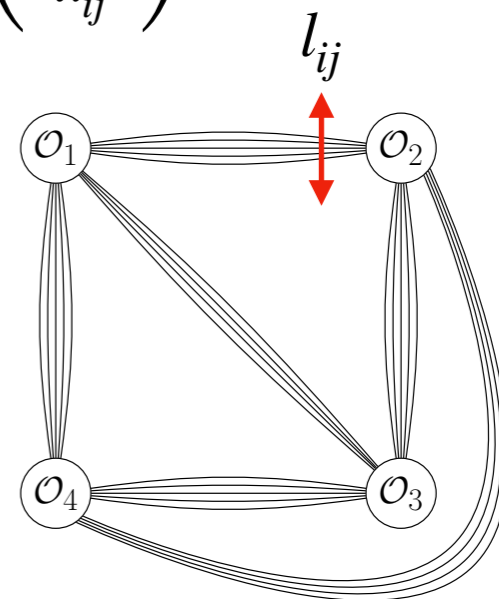
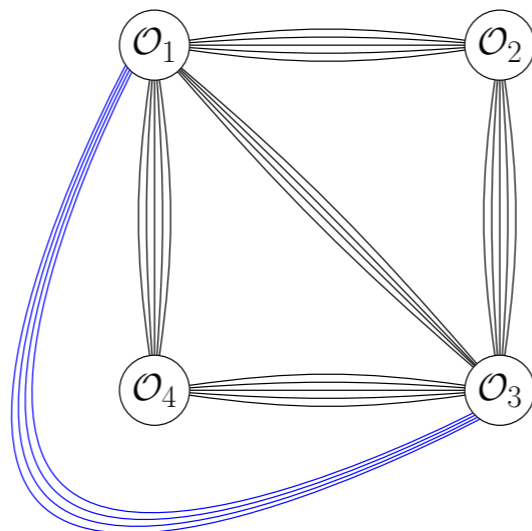
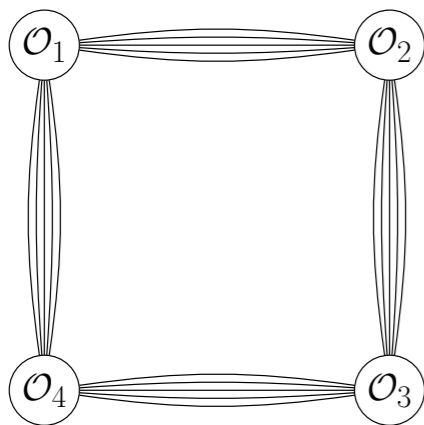
$$\langle \mathcal{O}_k(x_i, y_i) \mathcal{O}_k(x_j, y_j) \rangle = \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{-y_{ij}^2}{x_{ij}^2} \right)^k + O(1/N_c^2)$$

$$x_{ij}^2 \equiv (x_i - x_j)^2, y_{ij}^2 \equiv (y_i - y_j)^2$$



- The free four-point correlator of the “master operator” $\mathcal{O}(x, y) = \sum_k \mathcal{O}_k(x, y)$

$$G^{free} \equiv \langle \mathcal{O}(x_1, y_1) \mathcal{O}(x_2, y_2) \mathcal{O}(x_3, y_3) \mathcal{O}(x_4, y_4) \rangle^{(0)} = \sum_{l_{ij}} C_{\{l_{ij}\}} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} \left(\frac{-y_{ij}^2}{x_{ij}^2} \right)^{l_{ij}}$$



$$G^{free} = D_{12}D_{23}D_{34}D_{41} + D_{12}D_{23}D_{34}D_{41}(2D_{13} + D_{13}^2) + 2D_{12}D_{13}D_{14}D_{23}D_{24}D_{34} + \text{perm.}$$

- Emergente 10D structure : $D_{ij} \equiv \frac{-y_{ij}^2}{x_{ij}^2 + y_{ij}^2} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-y_{ij}^2}{x_{ij}^2} \right)^k$

Loop integrands

- Perturbative series in the 't Hooft coupling $g^2 \equiv \frac{g_{\text{YM}}^2 N_c}{16\pi^2}$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{k_1} \mathcal{O}_{k_2} \mathcal{O}_{k_3} \mathcal{O}_{k_4} \rangle_c = G_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{\text{free}} + \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} G_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(\ell)} + O(1/N_c^2)$$

- We can define an integrand by the Lagrangian insertion method:

$$G_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(\ell)} = \frac{(-g^2)^\ell}{\ell!} \int \frac{d^4 x_5}{\pi^2} \cdots \frac{d^4 x_{4+\ell}}{\pi^2} \mathcal{G}_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(\ell)},$$

- The ℓ -loop integrand is a $(4 + \ell)$ -point correlator evaluated at leading order:

$$\mathcal{G}_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(\ell)} = \langle \mathcal{O}_{k_1} \mathcal{O}_{k_2} \mathcal{O}_{k_3} \mathcal{O}_{k_4} \mathcal{L}(x_5) \cdots \mathcal{L}(x_{4+\ell}) \rangle^{(0)}$$

$$R_{1234} = \frac{(y_{13}^2 y_{24}^2)^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2} + \frac{y_{12}^2 y_{23}^2 y_{34}^2 y_{41}^2}{x_{12}^2 x_{23}^2 x_{34}^2 x_{41}^2} (x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2 - x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2 - x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2) + (1 \leftrightarrow 2) + (1 \leftrightarrow 4).$$

$$\stackrel{\text{SUSY}}{=} R_{1234} (2 x_{12}^2 x_{13}^2 x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2 x_{24}^2 x_{34}^2) \mathcal{H}_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(\ell)}. \quad [\text{Eden, Petkou, Schubert, Sokatchev}]$$

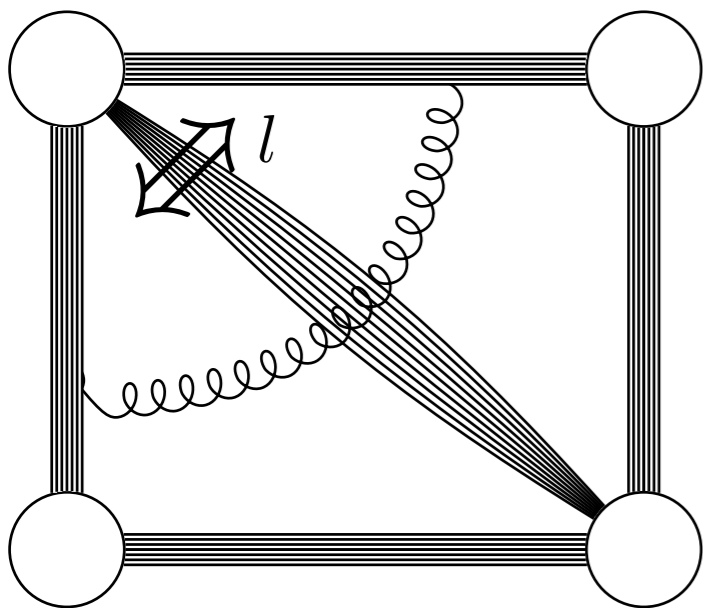
- Advantage: integrand is a rational function with simple poles. It treats external and integration points almost in the same footing (e.g. \mathcal{H}_{2222} has a full permutation symmetry). [Eden, Heslop, Korchemsky, Sokatchev, 2011]

- **Decomposition in R-charge:**

$$\mathcal{H}_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(\ell)} = \sum_{k_i - 2 = \sum_j b_{ij}} \mathcal{F}_{\{b_{ij}\}}^{(\ell)}(x_{ij}^2) \times \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} \left(\frac{-y_{ij}^2}{x_{ij}^2} \right)^{b_{ij}}$$

The number of inequivalent structures $\mathcal{F}_{\{b_{ij}\}}^{(\ell)}$ is finite and depends on the loop order.

- **Saturation:** thanks to planarity, a bridge becomes uncrossable when the number of propagators is larger than the loop order.



$$\sim (g^2)^l$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{\{b_{12}, \dots\}}^{(\ell)} \equiv \mathcal{F}_{\{\ell-1, \dots\}}^{(\ell)}$$

$$\text{if } b_{12} \geq \ell - 1.$$

[Chicherin, Drummond, Heslop, Sokatchev, 2015]

- After saturation, we have an infinite tail forming a geometric series.

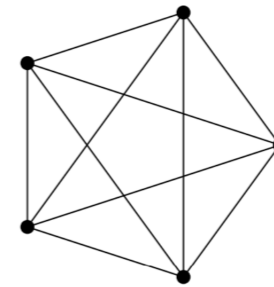
One-loop integrands

- At one loop, saturation implies that all R-charge structures are identical:

$$\mathcal{F}_{\{b_{ij}\}}^{(1)} = \mathcal{F}_{\{0,0,0,0,0,0\}}^{(1)}$$

- The reduced integrands:

$$\mathcal{H}_{2222}^{(1)} = \mathcal{F}_{\{0,0,0,0,0,0\}}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 5} x_{ij}^2}$$



$$\mathcal{H}_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(1)} = \sum_{\substack{\{b_{ij}\} \\ k_i - 2 = \sum_j b_{ij}}} \frac{1}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 5} x_{ij}^2} \times \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} \left(\frac{-y_{ij}^2}{x_{ij}^2} \right)^{b_{ij}}$$

- Resumming the geometric series:

$$\mathcal{H}^{(1)} = \sum_{k_i \geq 2} \mathcal{H}_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 5} (x_{ij}^2 + y_{ij}^2)} \quad \text{with } y_{5i}^2 = 0$$

- Higher-loop data shows similar pattern.

10D symmetry of loop integrands

- At each loop order, all (reduced) integrands form a geometric series that resums into a function which depends only on $X_{ij}^2 \equiv x_{ij}^2 + y_{ij}^2$.

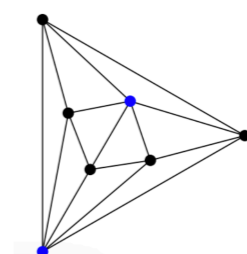
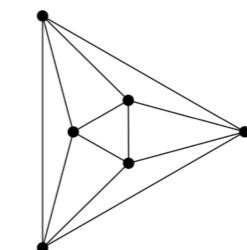
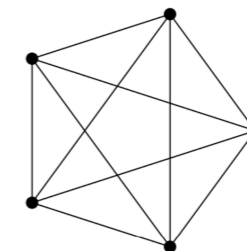
$$\mathcal{H}_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(\ell)}(x_{ij}^2, y_{ij}^2) = \text{coefficient of } \left(\prod_{i=1}^4 \beta_i^{k_i-2} \right) \text{ in } \mathcal{H}^{(\ell)}(X_{ij}^2) \Big|_{y_{ij}^2 \rightarrow \beta_i \beta_j y_{ij}^2},$$

- This generating function can be uplifted from the known case \mathcal{H}_{2222} by replacing all four-dimensional distances x_{ij}^2 by ten-dimensional ones X_{ij}^2

$$\mathcal{H}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 5} X_{ij}^2},$$

$$\mathcal{H}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{48} \frac{X_{12}^2 X_{34}^2 X_{56}^2 + S_6 \text{ permutations}}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 6} X_{ij}^2},$$

$$\mathcal{H}^{(3)} = \frac{1}{20} \frac{(X_{12}^2)^2 (X_{34}^2 X_{45}^2 X_{56}^2 X_{67}^2 X_{73}^2) + S_7 \text{ permutations}}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 7} X_{ij}^2}.$$



[Eden, Heslop, Korchemsky, Sokatchev; 2012]

- It inherits the full permutation symmetry of \mathcal{H}_{2222} .

The dimension-2 operator and the chiral Lagrangian belong to the stress-tensor super-multiplet.

10D structure of four-point correlators

- We set the 6D null condition for the external points and turn off the R-charge of the internal points.

$$y_i \cdot y_i = 0 \quad \text{when } i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad \text{and} \quad y_i = 0 \quad \text{when } i = 5, \dots, 4 + \ell$$

and integrate:

$$G^{(\ell)} \equiv \sum_{k_i \geq 2} G_{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}^{(\ell)} = \frac{(-g^2)^\ell}{\ell!} R_{1234} (2 x_{12}^2 x_{13}^2 x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2 x_{24}^2 x_{34}^2) \int \frac{dx_5^4}{\pi^2} \dots \frac{dx_{4+\ell}^4}{\pi^2} \mathcal{H}^{(\ell)}.$$

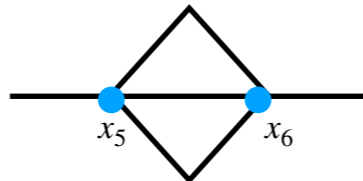
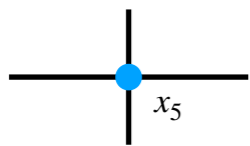
- One and two-loop examples:

$$G^{(1)} = -2g^2 R_{1234} g_{1234} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} \frac{1}{1 - d_{ij}},$$

$$G^{(2)} = 2g^4 R_{1234} \left(c_h^1 h_{12;34} + c_h^2 h_{13;24} + c_h^3 h_{14;23} + \frac{1}{2} (c_{gg}^1 x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2 + c_{gg}^2 x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2 + c_{gg}^3 x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2) [g_{1234}]^2 \right)$$

$$c_h^1 = \frac{(1 - d_{12}) + (1 - d_{34})}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} (1 - d_{ij})} \quad \text{and} \quad c_{gg}^1 = \frac{(1 - d_{12})(1 - d_{34})}{\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} (1 - d_{ij})} \quad \text{with} \quad d_{ij} \equiv \frac{-y_{ij}^2}{x_{ij}^2}.$$

$$g_{1234} = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int \frac{d^4 x_5}{x_{15}^2 x_{25}^2 x_{35}^2 x_{45}^2} \quad \text{and} \quad h_{13;24} = \frac{x_{24}^2}{\pi^4} \int \frac{d^4 x_5 d^4 x_6}{(x_{15}^2 x_{25}^2 x_{45}^2) x_{56}^2 (x_{26}^2 x_{36}^2 x_{46}^2)}.$$



$\{b_{ij}\}$	$\begin{matrix} 1 & \rightarrow & 2 \\ 4 & \times & 3 \end{matrix}$	c_{gg}^1	c_{gg}^2	c_{gg}^3	c_h^1	c_h^2	c_h^3
$\{0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0\}$	\cdot	1	1	1	2	2	2
$\{\beta_1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0\}$	\rightarrow	0	1	1	1	2	2
$\{\beta_1, \beta_2, 0, 0, 0, 0\}$	\nearrow	0	0	1	1	1	2
$\{\beta_1, \beta_2, 0, \beta_3, 0, 0\}$	\nearrow	0	0	0	1	1	1
$\{\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, 0, 0, 0\}$	\nearrow	0	0	0	1	1	1
$\{0, 0, \beta_1, \beta_2, 0, 0\}$	$\uparrow \uparrow$	1	1	0	2	2	0
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$\{\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4, \beta_5, 0\}$	\boxtimes	0	0	0	1	0	0
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$$\beta_i \geq 1$$

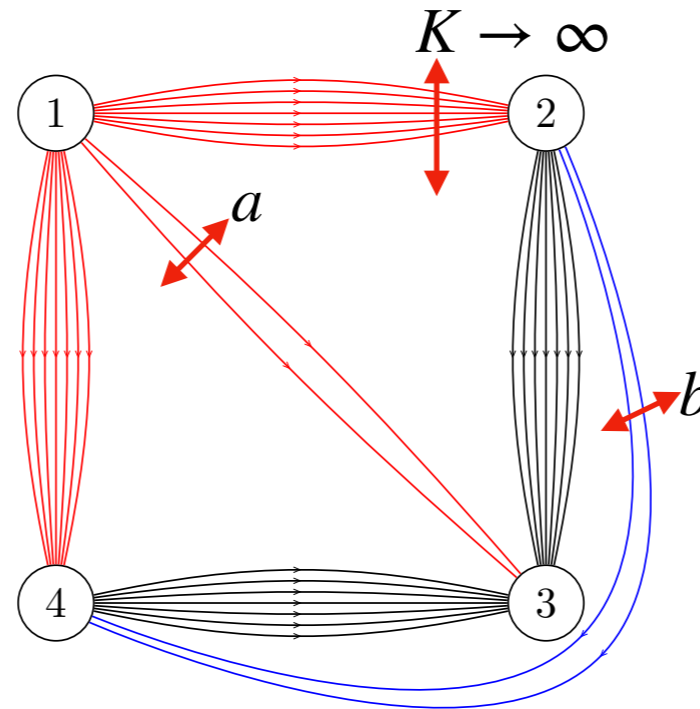


- Similar checks up to 5 loops. [Chicherin, Georgoudis, Goncalves, Pereira, 2018] [Chicherin, Drummond, Heslop, Sokatchev, 2015]
- Predictions at higher loops (up to ten loops from knowledge of the seed \mathcal{H}_{2222}) [Bourjaily, Heslop, Tran, 2016]
- Higher loop integrals are hard to evaluate.
- A tractable problem using integrability: correlators with large R-charge (octagons). [FC 2018]

10D null limit: octagon = amplitude

- The simplest correlators factorized into squares (octagons).

- Their integrands receive contributions only from $\mathcal{F}_{\{a, \infty, \infty, \infty, \infty, b\}}$



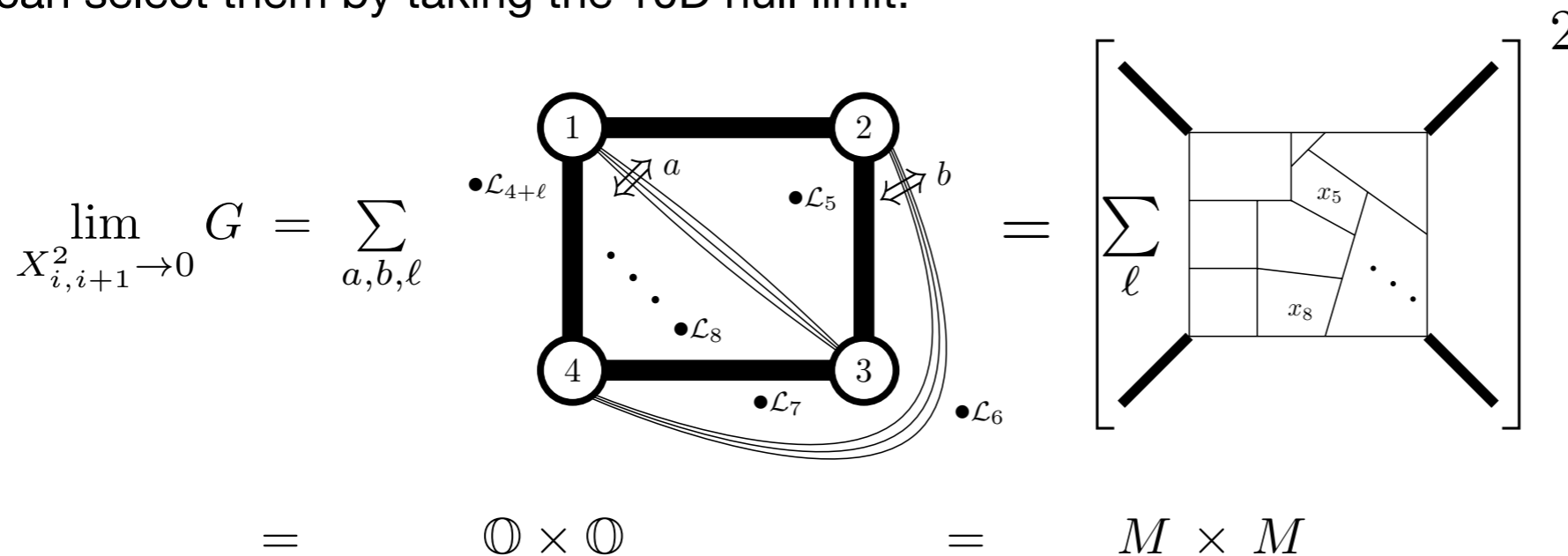
$$O_1 = \text{Tr}(\bar{X}^{2K+a})$$

$$O_2 = \text{Tr}(X^K \bar{Z}^K \bar{Y}^b) + \text{cyclic permutations}$$

$$O_3 = \text{Tr}(Z^{2K} X^a) + \text{cyclic permutations}$$

$$O_4 = \text{Tr}(Z^K \bar{X}^K Y^b) + \text{cyclic permutations}$$

- Only the terms of “G” with the four poles $\frac{1}{X_{12}^2 X_{23}^2 X_{34}^2 X_{41}^2}$ contribute to the simplest correlators. We can select them by taking the 10D null limit:



$$p_i^\mu \equiv x_{i,i+1}^\mu \quad \text{and} \quad m_i^2 \equiv y_{i,i+1}^2$$

- Octagon and amplitude are identical at the integrand and integrated level. They are IR finite.

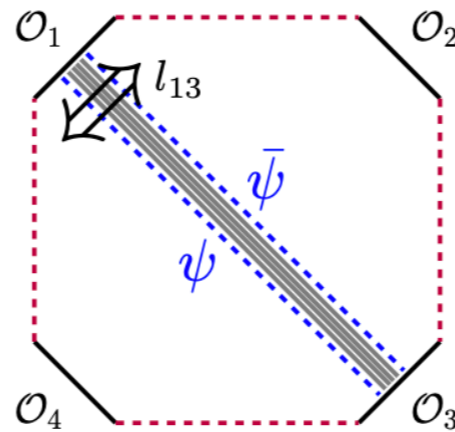
Octagon from Integrability

$$\mathbb{O} = \mathbb{O}_0 + \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (d_{13})^l \mathbb{O}_l + (d_{24})^l \mathbb{O}_l$$

Gluing two hexagons by summing over mirror particles:

[Basso, Komatsu, Vieira 2013;
Fleury, Komatsu; Eden, Sfondrini 2016;
FC 2018]

$$\mathbb{O}_l(z, \bar{z}, d_{13}, d_{24}) = \lim_{X_{i,i+1}^2 \rightarrow 0} \sum_{\psi} \dots$$



ψ : complete basis of states in the two-dimensional world sheet

Octagon is given by an infinite determinant

$$\mathbb{O}_l = \det(1 - \mathbb{K}_l)$$

[Kostov, Petkova, Serban;
Belitsky, Korchemsky;
2019-2021]

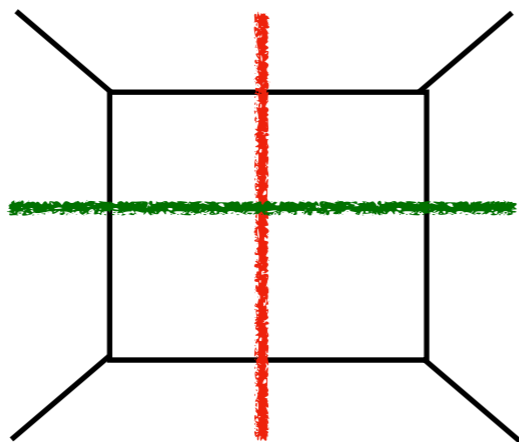
$$(\mathbb{K}_l)_{ij} = (-1)^{i-j} (2j + l - 1) \int_0^{\infty} d\tau \chi(\tau) \frac{J_{2i+l-1}(2g\tau) J_{2j+l-1}(2g\tau)}{\tau}$$

$$\chi(\tau) = \frac{(1 - d_{13}d_{24})}{\sqrt{z\bar{z}(1-z)(1-\bar{z})}} \frac{1}{\cosh(\sqrt{\zeta^2 + \tau^2}) - \cos \phi}, \quad \text{with } e^{-2\zeta} = \frac{z\bar{z}}{(1-z)(1-\bar{z})}, \quad e^{2i\phi} = \frac{z(1-\bar{z})}{\bar{z}(1-z)}.$$

$$z\bar{z} = \frac{x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}, \quad (1-z)(1-\bar{z}) = \frac{x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}$$

Steinmann condition for amplitudes:

Double discontinuities vanish in overlapping channels



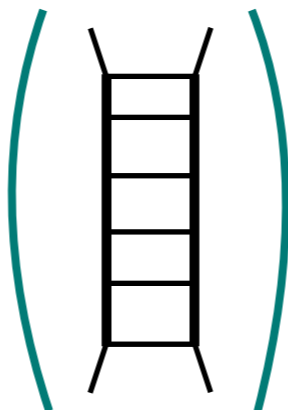
Octagon has a vanishing double discontinuity

$$\text{disc}_s \text{disc}_t \bigcirc = 0$$

with $s = x_{13}^2, t = x_{24}^2$

Weak coupling:

$$\bigcirc = \text{sum of det}$$



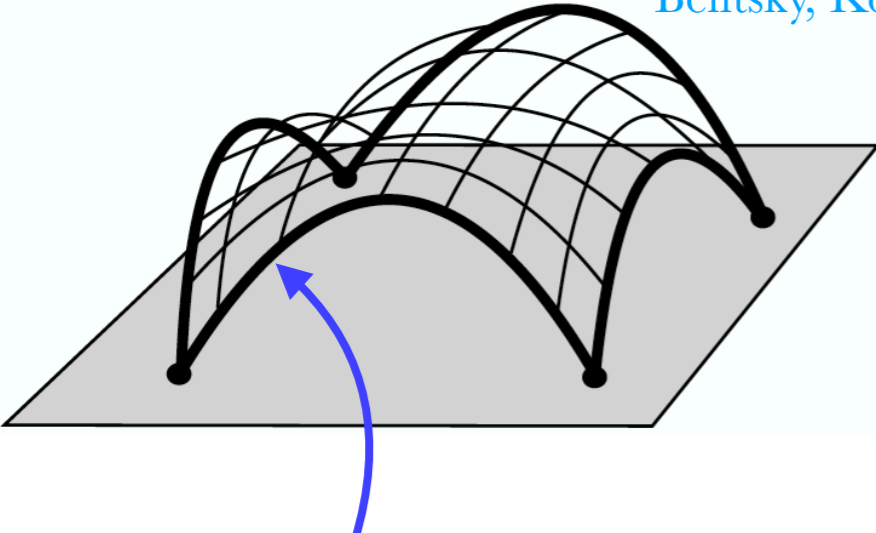
Provides analytic results for (unknown) conformal integrals such as fishnets and deformations

Strong coupling:

$$\bigcirc = e^{-g \text{Area}}$$

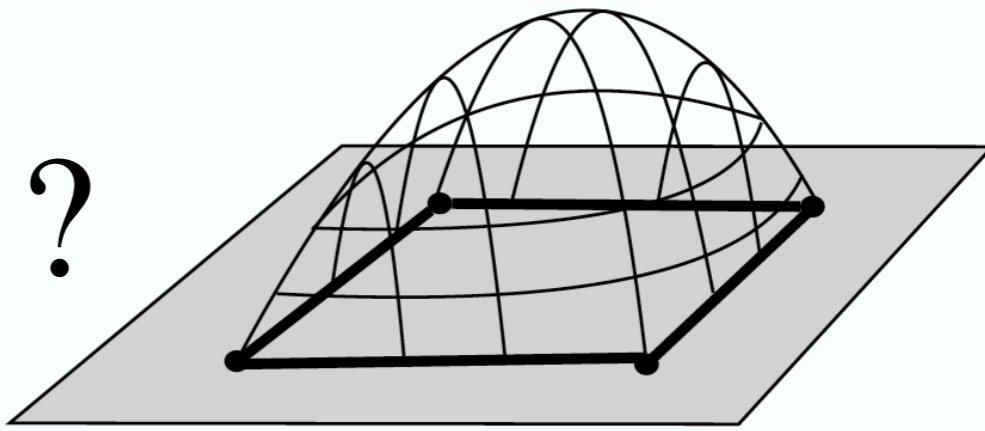
[Bargheer, FC, Vieira, 2019; Belitsky, Korchemsky]

[Alday, Maldacena, 2007; Kruczenski]



Perimeter is null in $AdS_5 \times S_5$

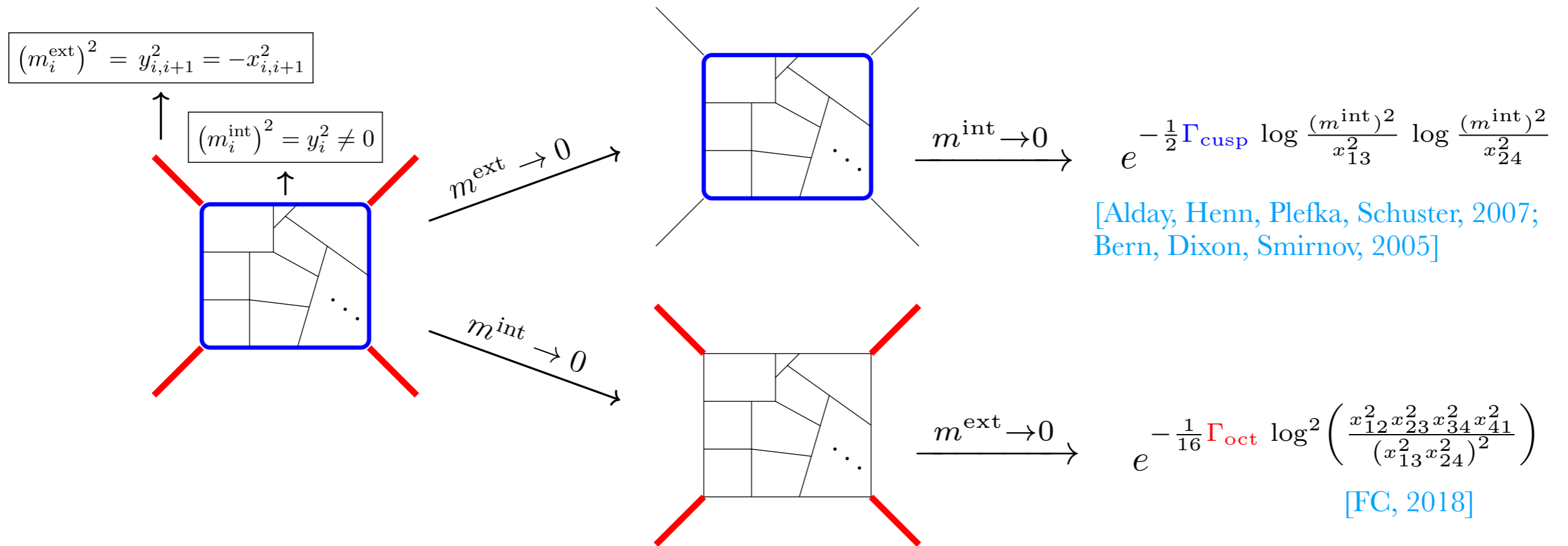
$x_{i,i+1}^2 \rightarrow 0$
 4D null limit of octagon
 or massless limit of the amplitude



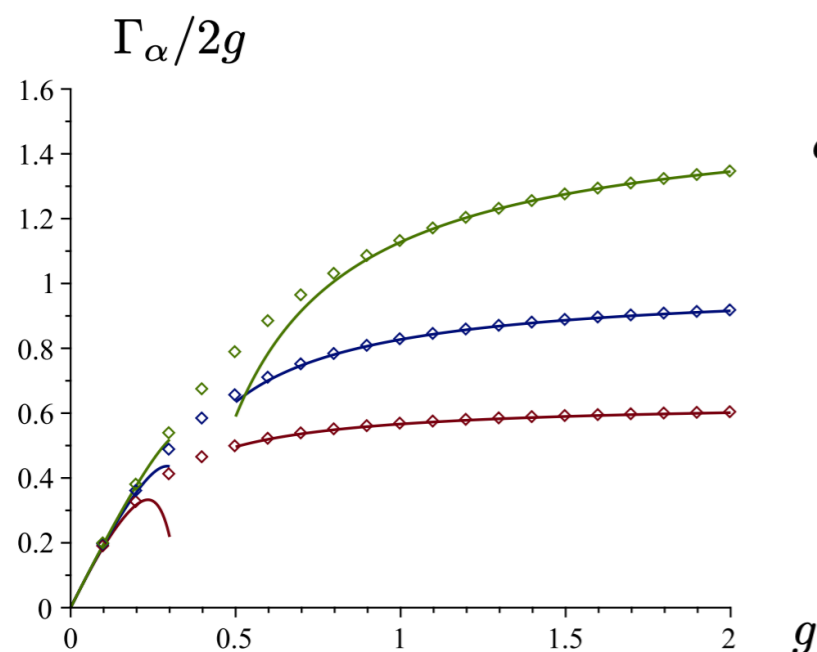
Four-cusped null Wilson loop

Massless limit

Coulomb-branch amplitudes with double logarithmic scaling:



Controlled by functions of the coupling satisfying a deformed BES equation:



$\alpha = \frac{\pi}{3}$

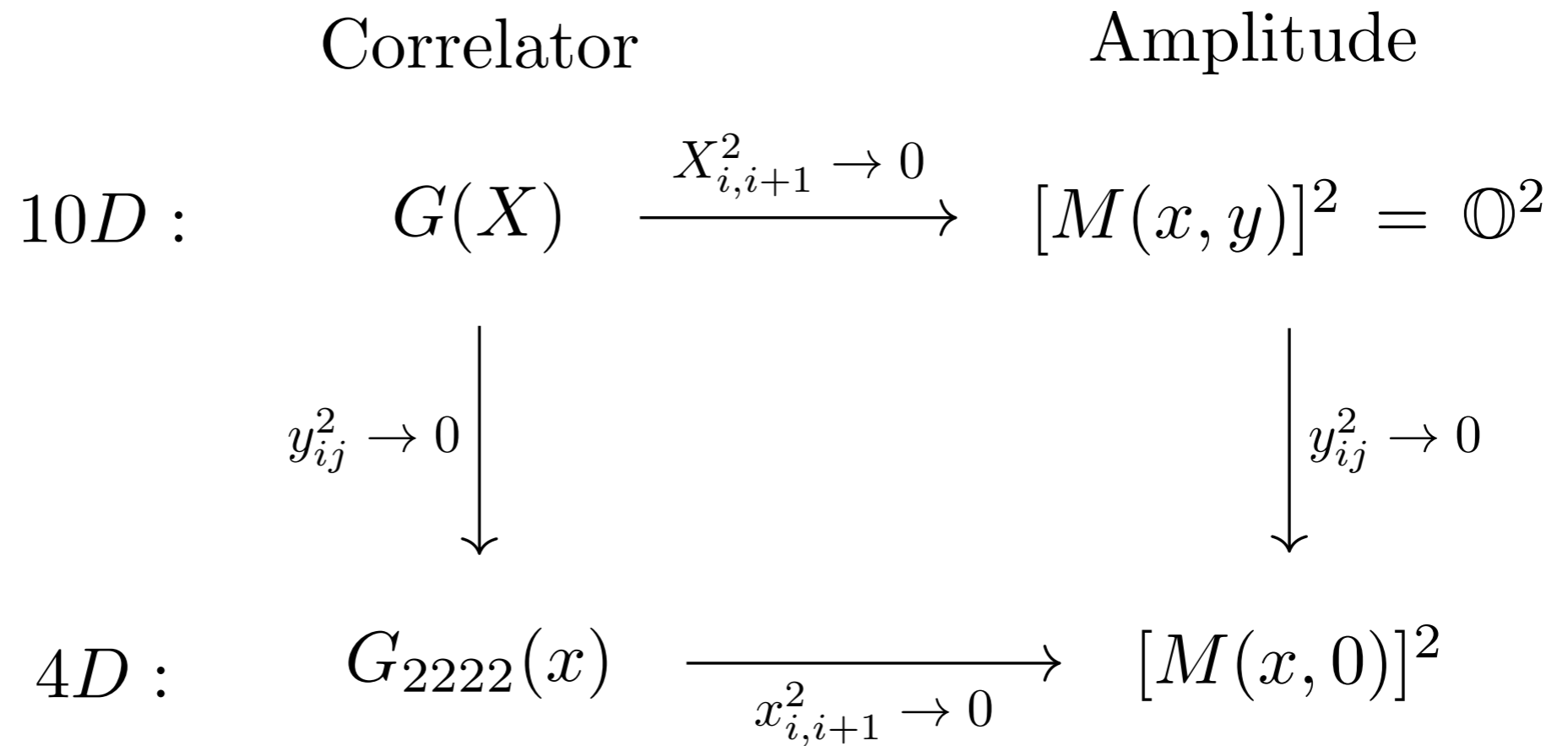
$\alpha = \frac{\pi}{4} \rightarrow \Gamma_{\text{cusp}}$

$\alpha = 0 \rightarrow \Gamma_{\text{oct}} = \frac{2}{\pi^2} \log \cosh(2\pi g)$ [Belitsky, Korchemsky, 2019]

[Beisert, Eden, Staudacher, 2006]

[Basso, Dixon, Papathanasious, 2020]

Summary



Outlook

- **Can we relax the null condition?**
- **Higher-points?**
- **Relation to 10D sym. in SUGRA?**
- **Integrability in the Coulomb branch?**

