

Color-Kinematic Duality

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General Relativity + Quantum Mechanics = Inconsistency

why?

- We don't understand the singularities of the classical solutions.
- We don't have proper microscopic understanding of the horizon of black holes (Hawking's information loss).
- If the universe is a wave function, what is the observer?

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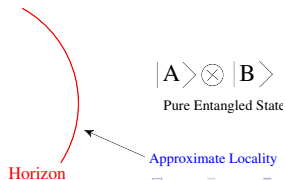
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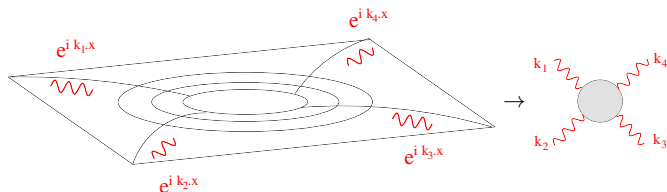
Information loss requires approximate locality



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Instead, we can consider the scattering of “quantized ripple of space-time” $g^{\mu\nu}$



Only the existence of asymptotic flat space-time is required.

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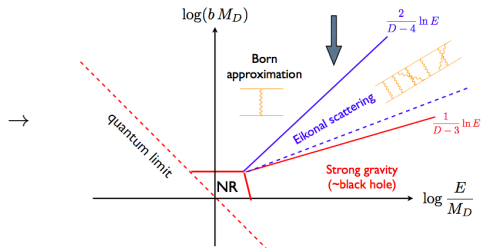
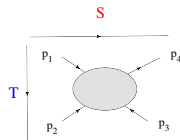
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The exact same problem for both gauge and gravity in $D > 4$
That is why string theory contains both!

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WHY gravity amplitudes?

A laboratory :



Giddings (Erice Lectures)

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"The unknown unknown" → Do we know all the symmetries?

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- UV finiteness of $\mathcal{N} = 8$ supergravity at $L = 3, 4$ loops (R^4, D^2R^4). Z. Bern, J.J Carasco, L. Dixon, H. Johansson, R. Roiban,
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Outline

1 Color-Kinematic Duality

2 D=3 Gravity=(?)²

A duality between **color** and **Kinematics**

We often hear that Gravity=(YM)²,

- True at 3-points

$$A_3(g_1^-, g_2^-, g_3^+) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 31 \rangle}, \quad M_3(h_1^-, h_2^-, h_3^+) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^6}{\langle 23 \rangle^2 \langle 31 \rangle^2}$$

- Beyond 3-points become complicated: KLT relations [Kawai](#), [Lewellen](#), [Tye](#)

$$M_4^{\text{Closed}}(\{1, 2, 3, 4\}) = \pi^{-1} \sin(\alpha' \pi s_{12}) A_4^{\text{Open}}(1, 2, 3, 4) A_4^{\text{Open}}(2, 1, 3, 4).$$

Not surprising: M_4^{Closed} has much more poles than $A_4^{\text{Open}}(1, 2, 3, 4)$

→ consider fully color-dressed amplitudes

Consider the fully dressed three-point amplitude:

$$A_3 = f^{123} [(\epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2)(\epsilon_3 \cdot (p_1 - p_2)) + (\epsilon_2 \cdot \epsilon_3)(\epsilon_1 \cdot (p_2 - p_3)) + (\epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_1)(\epsilon_2 \cdot (p_3 - p_1))]$$

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- The kinematic factor has the same symmetry as the color factor
- The gravity amplitude is simply replacing the color in YM with the kinematic factor

BCJ-Duality

Bern-Carrasco-Johansson(BCJ):

Duality between color and kinematics for (super)Yang-Mills:

$$\mathcal{A}_5^{\text{tree}} = g^3 \left(\frac{n_1 c_1}{s_{12} s_{45}} + \frac{n_2 c_2}{s_{23} s_{51}} + \frac{n_3 c_3}{s_{34} s_{12}} + \frac{n_4 c_4}{s_{45} s_{23}} + \frac{n_5 c_5}{s_{51} s_{34}} + \frac{n_6 c_6}{s_{14} s_{25}} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{n_7 c_7}{s_{32} s_{14}} + \frac{n_8 c_8}{s_{25} s_{43}} + \frac{n_9 c_9}{s_{13} s_{25}} + \frac{n_{10} c_{10}}{s_{42} s_{13}} + \frac{n_{11} c_{11}}{s_{51} s_{42}} + \frac{n_{12} c_{12}}{s_{12} s_{35}} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{n_{13} c_{13}}{s_{35} s_{24}} + \frac{n_{14} c_{14}}{s_{14} s_{35}} + \frac{n_{15} c_{15}}{s_{13} s_{45}} \right),$$

$$n_i = (k_4 \cdot k_5)(k_3 \cdot \epsilon_1)(\epsilon_2 \cdot \epsilon_3)(\epsilon_4 \cdot \epsilon_5) + \dots$$

$$c_1 = f^{45af} a^{3b} f^{b12}, \quad c_2 = f^{23af} a^{4b} f^{b15}, \quad c_3 = f^{34af} a^{5b} f^{b12}, \dots$$

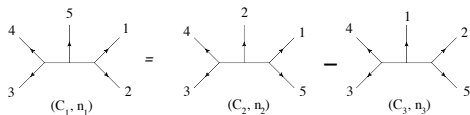
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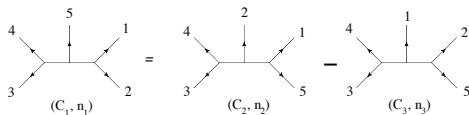
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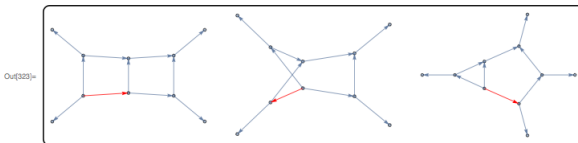
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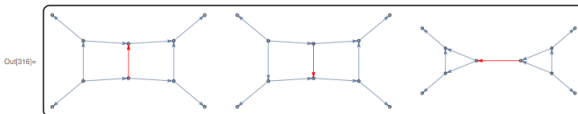
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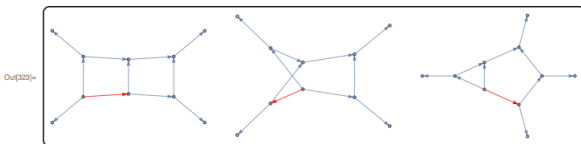


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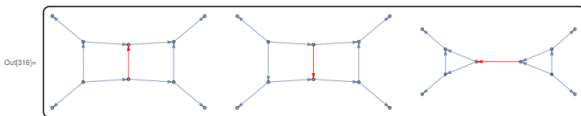
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$$\text{st}A_4^{\text{tree}} = \frac{[34][41]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle} = \frac{[34][42]}{\langle 21 \rangle \langle 13 \rangle} \quad \text{permutation invariant}$$

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BCJ-Duality (Loops)

Non-trivial evidence:

- Up to 4-loops for 4-point in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM [262, 232].
- Up to 2-loops for 5-point in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM [263].

- At 1-loop up to 7-points in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM [264].
- Up to 2-loops for 4-point for the all-plus pure Yang-Mills amplitude [262].
- 1-loop 4-point for pure Yang-Mills theory in arbitrary dimensions [240].
- 1-loop n -point all-plus or single-minus helicity amplitudes in pure Yang-Mills theory [265].
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- 1-loop 4-point Yang-Mills theory with matter [268].

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Basic knowledge of Feynman rules in scalar field theory and quantum electrodynamics is assumed, but all other tools are introduced as needed. Worked examples demonstrate the techniques discussed, and over 150 exercises help readers absorb and master the material.

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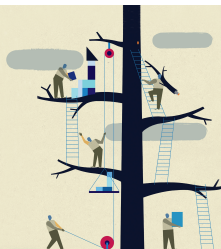
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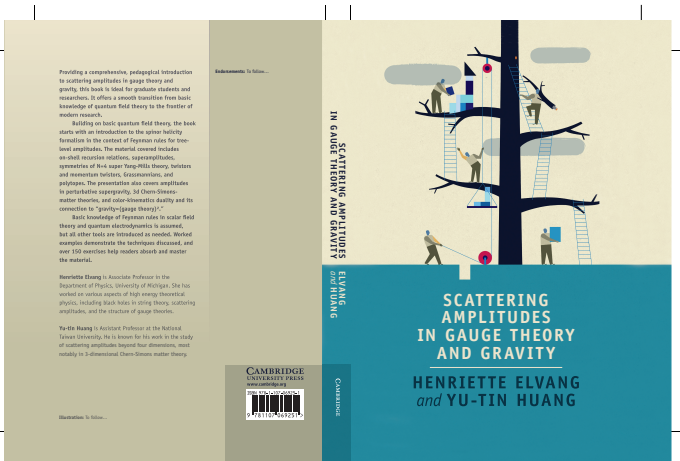
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Is there a Lagrangian derivation for the numerators ?

They are generated by deformations of YM Lagrangian [Bern, Dennen, Kiermaier, Y-T](#)

$$\mathcal{L}_{YM} = \mathcal{L} + \mathcal{L}'_5 + \mathcal{L}'_6 + \dots$$

Each term is non-local, non-gauge invariance, but zero!

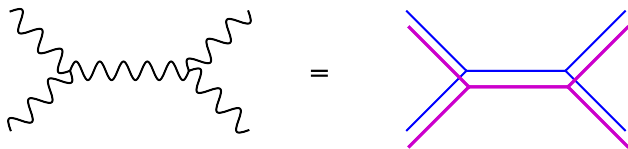
$$\mathcal{L}'_5 \sim \text{Tr} [A^\nu, A^\rho] \frac{1}{\square} \left([[\partial_\mu A_\nu, A_\rho], A^\mu] + [[A_\rho, A^\mu], \partial_\mu A_\nu] + [[A^\mu, \partial_\mu A_\nu], A_\rho] \right)$$

Lagrangians are insensible to (very important) **zero** !

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Ok, but so what ?

Scattering of gravitons = (Scattering of gluons)²



Consequences

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Many supergravity theories can be obtained:



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$\mathcal{N} = 6$ supergravity : $(\mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ sYM}) \times (\mathcal{N} = 2 \text{ sYM})$,

$\mathcal{N} = 5$ supergravity : $(\mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ sYM}) \times (\mathcal{N} = 1 \text{ sYM})$,

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ supergravity : $(\mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ sYM}) \times (\mathcal{N} = 0 \text{ sYM})$,

- $\mathcal{N} \leq 4$ supergravity with matter: $(\mathcal{N} \leq 2 \text{ SYM with matter})^2$ Johansson, Ochirov
- Gauged supergravity: $(\mathcal{N} \leq 2 \text{ SYM with matter}) \times (D > 4 \text{ pure YM})$ Chiodaroli, Gunaydin, Johansson, Roiban

Consequences

In fact we only need one copy to satisfy Color-Kinematic duality

$$c_i + c_j + c_k = 0,$$

Generalized gauge invariance

$$n_i \rightarrow n_i + s_i \Delta, \quad n_j \rightarrow n_j + s_j \Delta, \quad n_k \rightarrow n_k + s_k \Delta.$$

Define the difference between two valid representations as:

$$\Delta_i \equiv n_i - \tilde{n}_i.$$

Since both are valid:

$$\sum_{i \in \text{cubic}} \frac{c_i \Delta_i}{\prod_{\alpha_i} p_{\alpha_i}^2} = 0.$$

The fact that one numerator satisfies the duality:

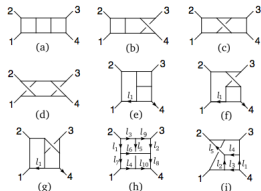
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(a)–(d)	s^2	$[s^2]^2$
(e)–(g)	$s(l_1 + k_4)^2$	$[s(l_1 + k_4)^2]^2$
(h)	$st_{1,2}^2 + tl_{3,4}^2 - st_6^2 - tl_6^2 - st$	$(st_{1,2}^2 + tl_{3,4}^2 - st)^2 - s^2(2(l_{1,2}^2 - t) + l_3^2)l_6^2 - t^2(2(l_{3,4}^2 - s) + l_2^2)l_6^2 - s^2(2l_1^2l_6^2 + 2l_2^2l_6^2 + l_1^2l_3^2 + l_2^2l_3^2) - t^2(2l_3^2l_{10}^2 + 2l_4^2l_6^2 + l_3^2l_6^2 + l_4^2l_{10}^2) + 2stl_1^2l_6^2$
(i)	$st_{1,2}^2 - tl_{3,4}^2 - \frac{1}{3}(s-t)l_6^2$	$(st_{1,2}^2 - tl_{3,4}^2)^2 - (s^2l_{1,2}^2 + t^2l_{3,4}^2 + \frac{1}{3}stu)l_6^2$

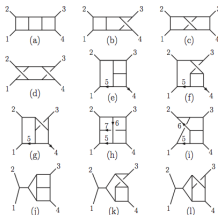
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Integral $I^{(s)}$	$\mathcal{N} = 4$ Super-Yang-Mills ($\sqrt{\mathcal{N} = 8}$ supergravity) numerator
(a)-(d)	s^2
(e)-(g)	$(s(-\tau_{35} + \tau_{45} + t) - t(\tau_{25} + \tau_{45}) + u(\tau_{25} + \tau_{35}) - s^2)/3$
(h)	$(s(2\tau_{15} - \tau_{16}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

$$\tau_{i,j} = k_i \cdot \ell_j$$

Color-kinematic numerators manifests the equivalent UV behavior!

Consequences

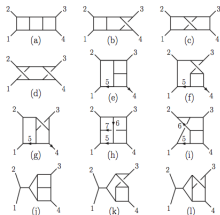
$\mathcal{N} = 4$ Super Gravity: Super-symmetric SU(2)/U(1) duality invariant operator exists **G**.

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R^4

Replace one numerator by a Yang-Mills numerator (Feynman diagrams) **Bern, Davies,**

Dennen, Y-T



Graph	(divergence)/((12) ² [34] ² stA ¹⁰⁰⁰ ($\frac{c}{2}$) ⁸)
(a)-(d)	0
(e)	$\frac{263}{768} \frac{1}{c^3} + \frac{205}{27648} \frac{1}{c^2} + (-\frac{5551}{768} \zeta_3 + \frac{326317}{110592}) \frac{1}{c}$
(f)	$-\frac{175}{2304} \frac{1}{c^3} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{c^2} + (\frac{593}{288} \zeta_3 - \frac{217571}{165888}) \frac{1}{c}$
(g)	$-\frac{11}{36} \frac{1}{c^3} + \frac{2037}{6912} \frac{1}{c^2} + (\frac{10709}{2304} \zeta_3 - \frac{226201}{165888}) \frac{1}{c}$
(h)	$-\frac{3}{32} \frac{1}{c^3} - \frac{41}{1536} \frac{1}{c^2} + (\frac{3227}{2304} \zeta_3 - \frac{3329}{18432}) \frac{1}{c}$
(i)	$\frac{17}{128} \frac{1}{c^3} - \frac{29}{1024} \frac{1}{c^2} + (-\frac{2087}{2304} \zeta_3 - \frac{10495}{110592}) \frac{1}{c}$
(j)	$-\frac{15}{32} \frac{1}{c^3} + \frac{9}{64} \frac{1}{c^2} + (\frac{101}{12} \zeta_3 - \frac{3227}{1152}) \frac{1}{c}$
(k)	$\frac{5}{64} \frac{1}{c^3} + \frac{89}{1152} \frac{1}{c^2} + (-\frac{377}{144} \zeta_3 + \frac{287}{432}) \frac{1}{c}$
(l)	$\frac{25}{64} \frac{1}{c^3} - \frac{251}{1152} \frac{1}{c^2} + (-\frac{835}{144} \zeta_3 + \frac{7385}{3456}) \frac{1}{c}$

There is no UV divergence even though counter terms exists !

Consequences


Let's consider a "Note-Pad" example [G. Bossard, P.S. Howe, K.S. Stelle](#)

Half-maximal supergravity in $D = 5$ at $L = 2 \rightarrow R^4$ operator is again a valid counter term

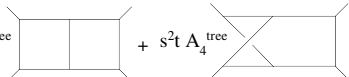
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
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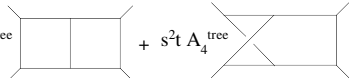
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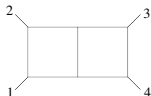
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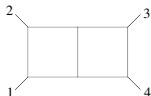
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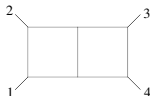
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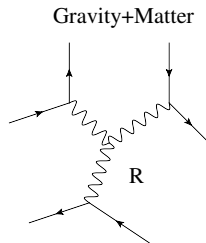
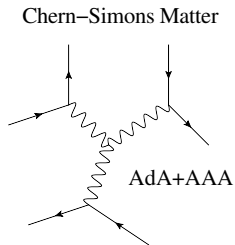
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Three-dimensional supergravity amplitudes: $4D \rightarrow 3D$

- Supersymmetric matter coupled to topological gravity (local supersymmetric sigma model)
- $\mathcal{N} = 8$ SUGRA \rightarrow $\mathcal{N} = 16$ SUGRA: **128** $\phi_\nu \in \frac{E_8}{SO(16)}$
- $\mathcal{M}_n = 0$ for $n = \text{odd}$ compared to YM $\mathcal{A}_n \neq 0$ for $n = \text{odd}$

Remarkable cancellation for Gravity= (Yang-Mills)²

Can this cancellation be manifest ?



Perturbation in a topological theory

Double double copy in 3D

Chern-Simons matter theory can be associated with a Lie-3 algebra:

$$[T^a, T^b, T^c] = f^{abc}{}_d T^d$$

- The algebraic property of $f^{abc}{}_d$, and hence gauge group, dependent on \mathcal{N} of SUSY
- Maximal $\mathcal{N} = 8$ has a unique gauge group SO(4)
- The “structure constants” satisfies:

$$f^{\bar{a}\bar{c}\bar{b}}{}_i f^{\bar{i}\bar{e}\bar{d}\bar{f}} + f^{\bar{a}\bar{f}\bar{b}}{}_i f^{\bar{i}\bar{c}\bar{d}\bar{e}} + f^{\bar{a}\bar{e}\bar{d}}{}_i f^{\bar{i}\bar{f}\bar{b}\bar{c}} + f^{\bar{d}\bar{e}\bar{b}}{}_i f^{\bar{i}\bar{f}\bar{a}\bar{c}} = 0.$$

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$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 - c_4 = 0 \leftrightarrow n_1 + n_2 + n_3 - n_4 = 0$$

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Duality between Color-Kinematic Dualities: (Lie 2 Algebra)² = (Lie 3 Algebra)²

Summary of verified double copy constructions:

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SG theory	CSm _L × CSm _R = supergravity	sYm _L × sYM _R = supergravity	coset
$\mathcal{N} = 16$	$16^2 = 256$	$16^2 = 256$	$E_{8(8)}/SO(16)$
$\mathcal{N} = 12$	$8^2 + \bar{8}^2 = 16 \times (4 + \bar{4}) = 128$	$16 \times 8 = 128$	$E_{7(-5)}/SO(12) \otimes SO(3)$
$\mathcal{N} = 10$	$8 \times 4 + \bar{8} \times \bar{4} = 16 \times (2 + \bar{2}) = 64$	$16 \times 4 = 64$	$E_{6(-14)}/SO(10) \otimes SO(2)$
$\mathcal{N} = 8, n = 2$	$4^2 + \bar{4}^2 = 8 \times 2 + \bar{8} \times \bar{2} = 32$	$16 \times 2 = 32$	$SO(8,2)/SO(8) \otimes SO(2)$
$\mathcal{N} = 8, n = 1$	$16 \times 1 = 16$	$16 \times 1 = 16$	$SO(8,1)/SO(8)$

Examples 4pts:

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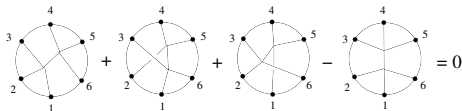
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checked double copy up to 6pts!

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Why not ABJM? **General gauge invariance**



$$c_1 + c_2 + c_3 - c_4$$

$$n_i \rightarrow n_i + \Delta_i, \quad \Delta_i = \Delta p_{\alpha_i}^2, \quad \sum_j \frac{\Delta_j c_j}{\prod_{\alpha_j} p_{\alpha_j}^2} = 0$$

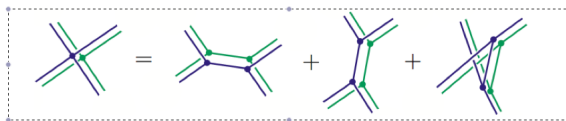
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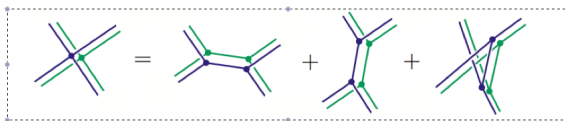
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Conclusions

- Gravity scattering amplitudes are a perfect Lab for issues of Quantum Gravity
- The existence of hidden dualities: color factors \leftrightarrow kinematics.
- Partially responsible for UV finiteness in SUGRA
- Double dose of duality in $D = 3 \mathcal{N} = 16$ sugra
- Preliminary analysis shows M_4 is finite up to L=16! (**Beyond in progress**)