

# Hidden Analytic Relations for Two-Loop Higgs Amplitudes in QCD

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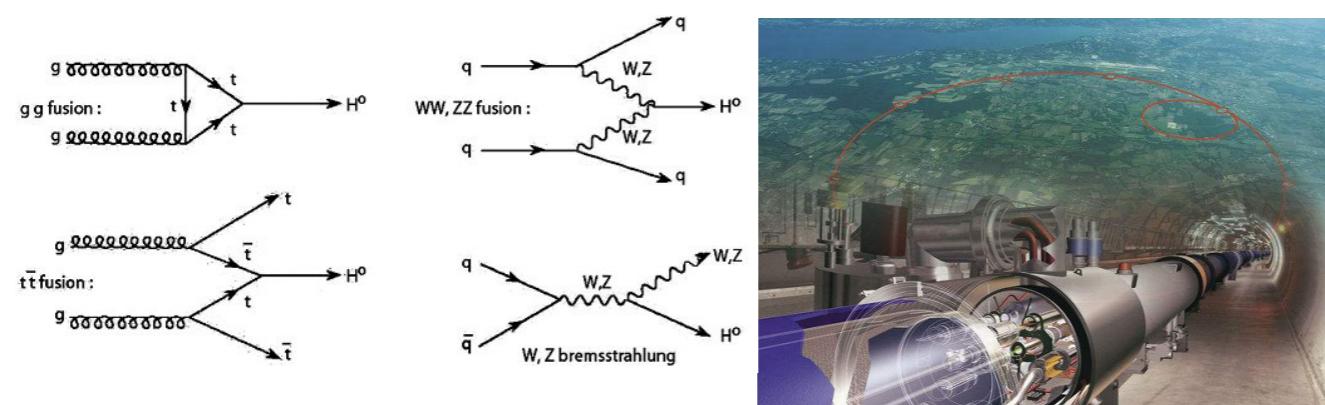
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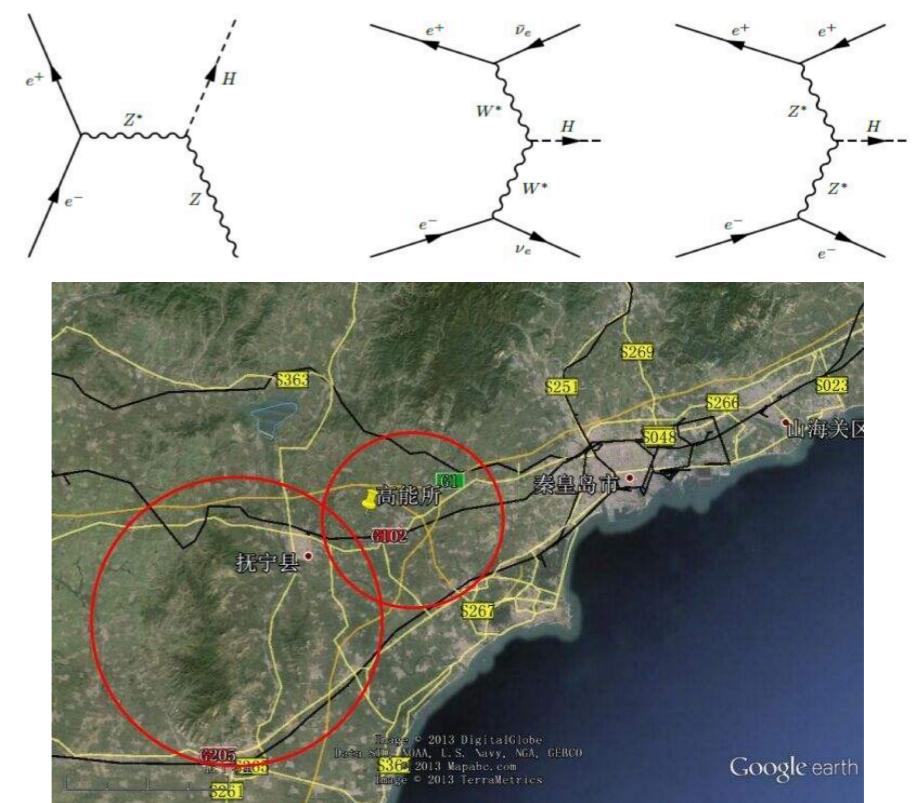
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# Scattering Amplitudes in Standard Model (SM)

Model → Scattering Amplitude ← Experiment Data



# Higgs production in LHC and CEPC

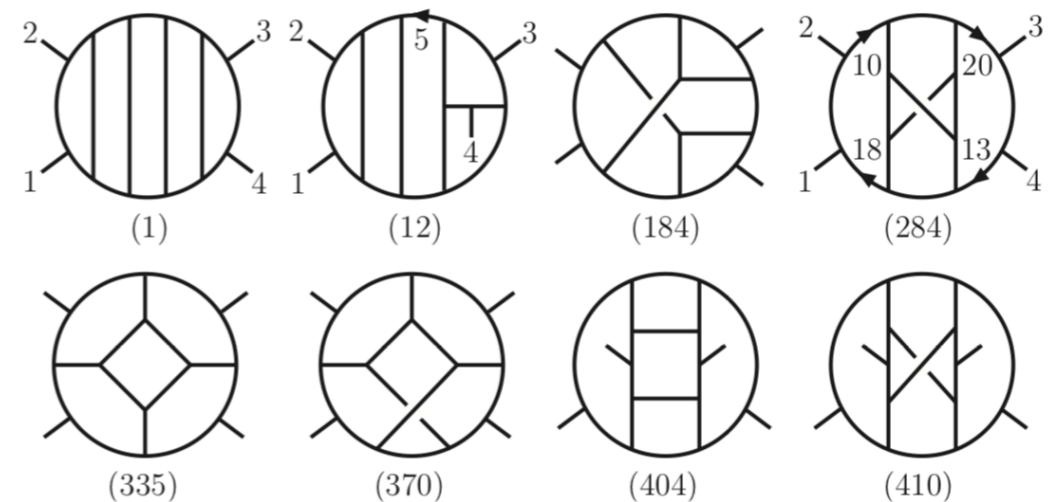


# LHC : Perfect agreement with SM.

Future **CEPC** : higher accuracy, less background noise. Requires even high loop computation of scattering amplitudes.

# New Methods in Scattering Amplitudes

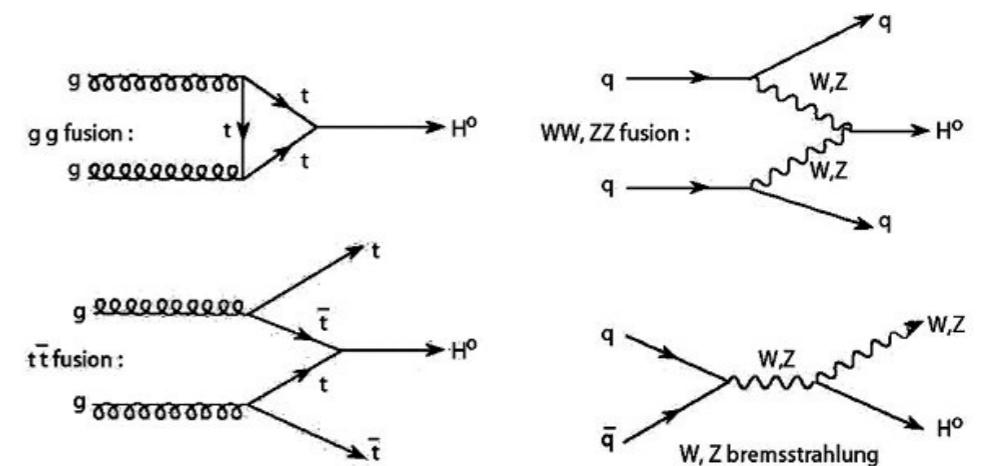
- New methods developed during the computation of scattering amplitudes in **supersymmetric** field theories: **spinor helicity formalism**, **on shell unitarity cut** ...
- N=4 SYM integrand was computed to 5 loops. [Bern et al 2012]
- N=8 supergravity is free of UV divergence to at least 5 loops. [Bern et al 2018]
- Apply these new methods to the computation of loop amplitude in Standard Model.



# Higgs to 3 parton amplitude and the Maximal Transcendental Principle

Study the properties of Higgs boson is one of the major tasks of LHC and future CEPC.

In LHC, Higgs can be produced by the fusion of gluons and quarks. Higgs to 3 parton amplitudes are very important to understand the LHC data.



The maximally transcendental principle: the maximal transcendental part of N=4 SYM and QCD amplitudes are the same.

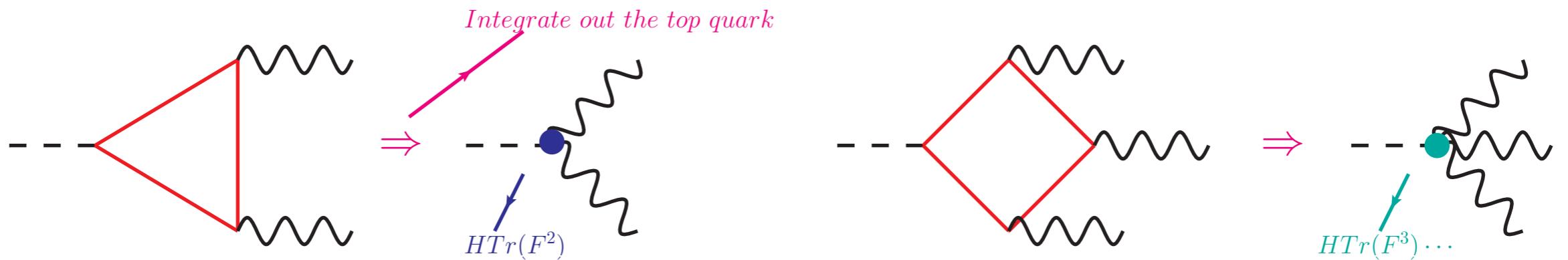
$$\mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ } SYM \quad ? \quad QCD$$

An “easy” N=4 computation gives information for the “difficult” QCD amplitude!

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# Higgs effective field theory (HEFT)



- When the transverse momentum of Higgs particle is less than the top quark mass, the HEFT [Wilczek 1977] is good approximation.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \hat{C}_0 \mathcal{O}_0 + \frac{1}{m_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^4 \hat{C}_i \mathcal{O}_i + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{m_t^4}\right)$$

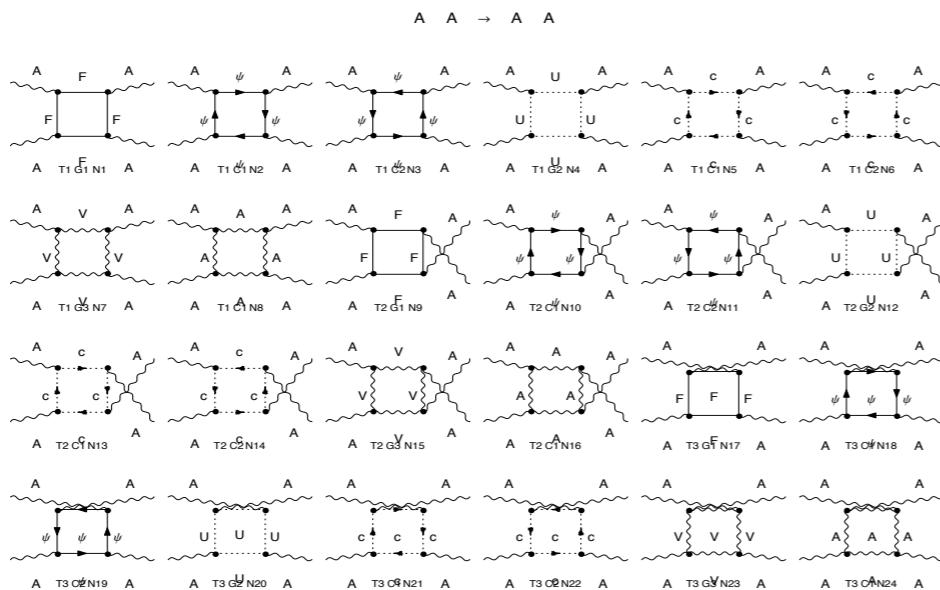
$$\mathcal{O}_0 = H\text{Tr}(F^2)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_1 = H\text{Tr}(F_\mu^\nu F_\nu^\rho F_\rho^\mu), \quad \mathcal{O}_2 = H\text{Tr}(D_\rho F_{\mu\nu} D^\rho F^{\mu\nu}),$$

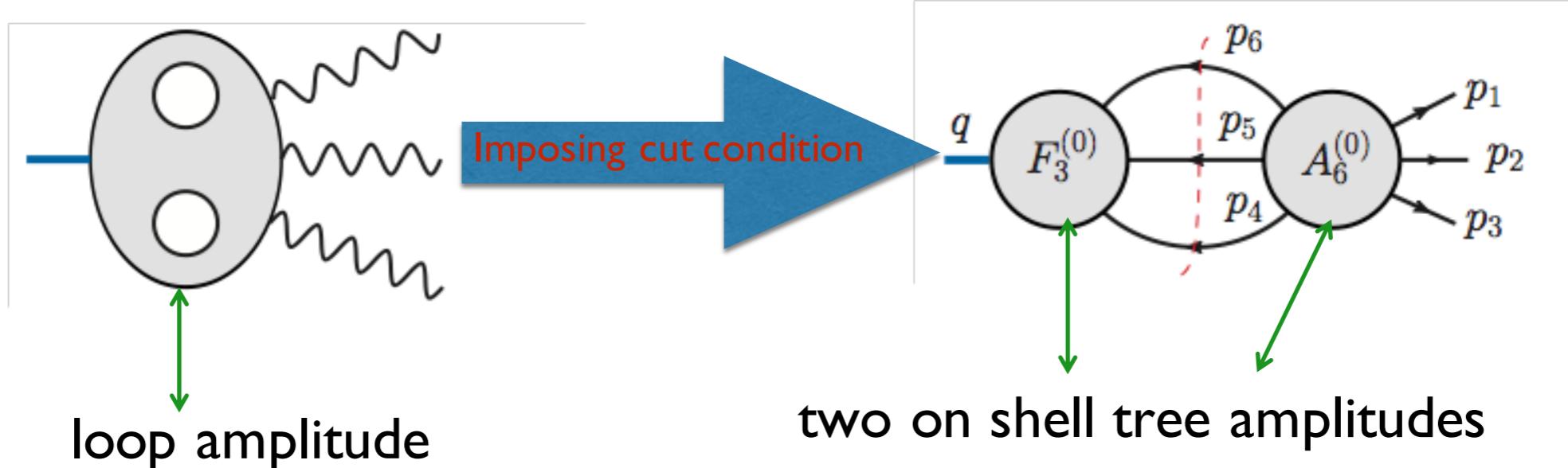
$$\mathcal{O}_3 = H\text{Tr}(D^\rho F_{\rho\mu} D_\sigma F^{\sigma\mu}), \quad \mathcal{O}_4 = H\text{Tr}(F_{\mu\rho} D^\rho D_\sigma F^{\sigma\mu}).$$

- The leading (dimension 4) contribution of Higgs to 3 parton amplitude was computed in [Gehrmann, Jaquier, Glover, Koukoutsakis 2011].
- The contributions of dimension 6 operators. [QJ, Yang 2018] and [QJ, Yang 2019].

# Feynman Diagram *vs* Unitarity Cut



Feynman diagrams: a broken vase



# D-dimensional unitarity cut

- 4-d spinor helicity formalism fails to capture the rational term in non-SUSY theories.

$$A^{----} = (2 - 2\epsilon)\mu^4 \quad \text{Diagram: a square loop with four external legs} \quad = \frac{4}{3} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

- D-dimensional unitarity uses the D-dimensional tree amplitude.

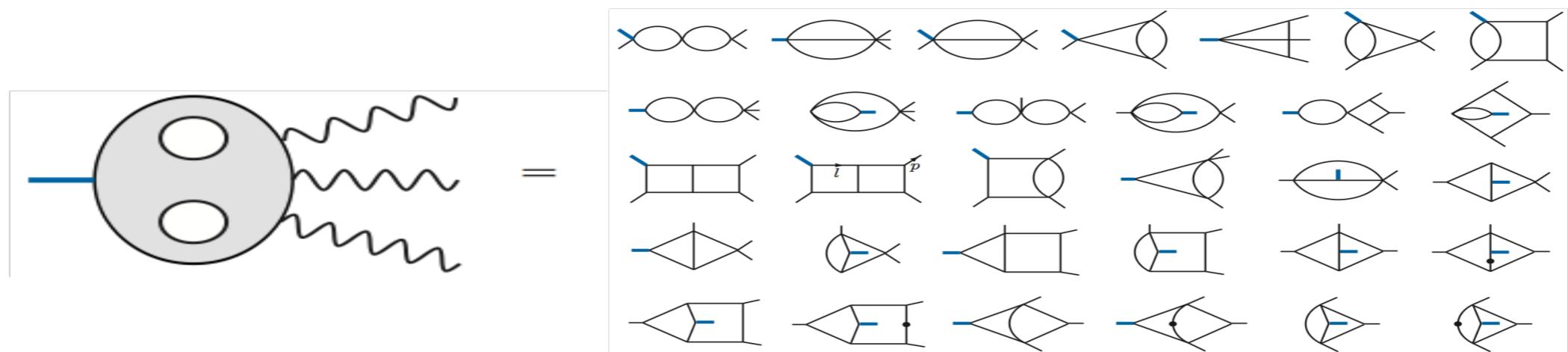
$$\begin{aligned} A(\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3, \epsilon_4) = & -(\epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_4)(\epsilon_2 \cdot \epsilon_3) + (\epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_3)(\epsilon_2 \cdot \epsilon_4) - (\epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2)(\epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4)) \\ & - \frac{2}{s} \left[ 2t(\epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2)(\epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4) + (\epsilon_1 \cdot p_3)(\epsilon_2 \cdot p_1)(\epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4) - (\epsilon_1 \cdot p_2)(\epsilon_2 \cdot p_3)(\epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4) \right] \\ & + 22 \text{ more terms} \end{aligned}$$

- The polarization vector summing rule:

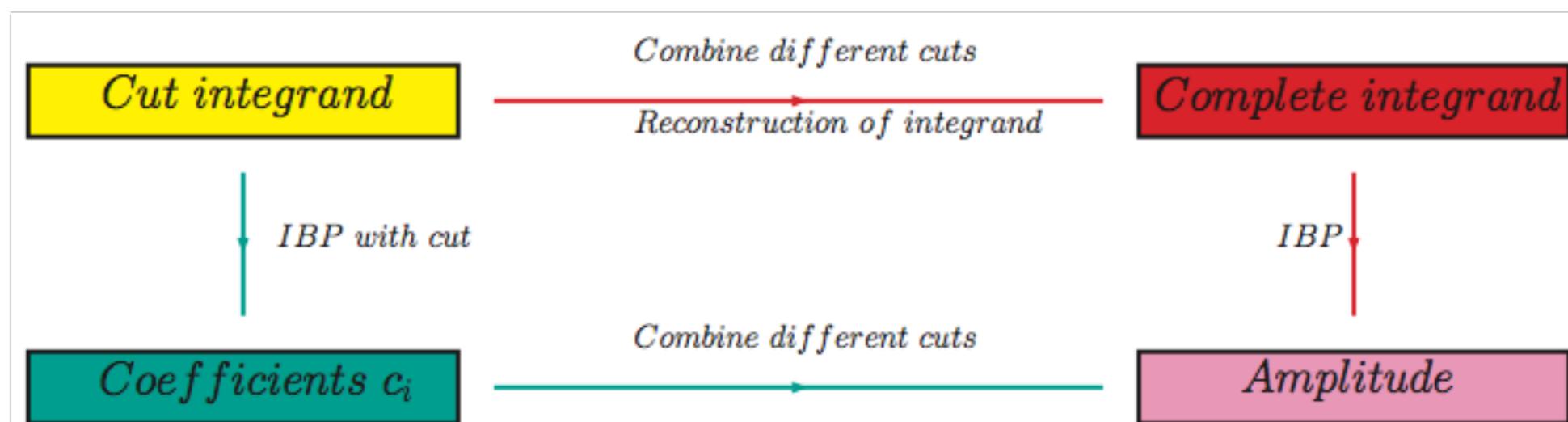
$$\sum_{\text{helicities}} \varepsilon_i^\mu \varepsilon_i^\nu = \eta^{\mu\nu} - \frac{q^\mu p_i^\nu + q^\nu p_i^\mu}{q \cdot p_i}$$

# New Strategy of IBP

Loop integrand can be reduced using integration by parts (IBP) relations.



The IBP with cut strategy enhanced the efficiency by a factor of 10.

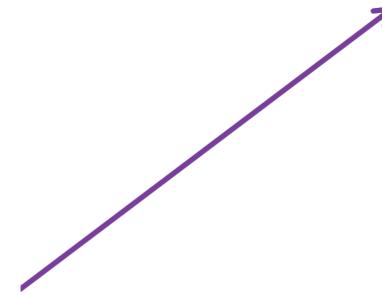


# Simplify the multi-polylog functions using Symbol

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{\alpha}^{(2)} = & \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( -G(1-z, -z, 1-z, 0, y) - G(1-z, -z, 0, 1-z, y) + G(1-z, 1-z, 0, 0, y) \right. \right. \\
& + G(1-z, 0, -z, 1-z, y) + G(1-z, 0, 1-z, 0, y) - G(1-z, 0, 1, 0, y) \\
& + G(1-z, 0, 0, 1-z, y) + H(1, 1, 0, 0, z) + H(1, 0, 1, 0, z) + H(1, 0, 0, 1, z) \\
& + H(1, 0, 0, z)G(1-z, y) - H(1, 0, z)G(-z, 0, y) + H(1, 0, z)G(1-z, -z, y) \\
& - G(1, 0, y)H(1, 0, z) + H(1, z)G(1-z, -z, 0, y) + H(1, z)G(1-z, 0, -z, y) \\
& - H(1, z)G(1-z, 0, 0, y) - G(0, -z, 1-z, y) + G(0, -z, y)H(1, 0, z) \\
& - G(0, 1-z, -z, 1-z, y) + G(0, 1-z, 1-z, 0, y) + G(0, 1-z, 0, 1-z, y) \\
& + G(0, 1-z, -z, y)H(1, z) - G(0, -z, 1-z, y) + G(0, 1-z, 1-z, y)H(0, z) \\
& - G(0, 1-z, 1, 0, y) - G(0, 1-z, 0, y)H(1, z) - G(0, 1-z, 0, y)H(0, z) \\
& - H(0, z)G(1-z, 0, 1-z, y) - H(0, z)G(1-z, 0, 0, y) - G(0, y)H(1, 1, 0, z) \\
& - G(0, y)H(1, 0, 1, z) + G(0, y)H(1, 0, 0, z) - G(0, 1, 1-z, 0, y) + H(0, 1, 1, 0, z) \\
& - H(0, 1, 1, z)G(0, y) - G(0, 1, 0, 1-z, y) + H(0, 1, 0, 1, z) \\
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& + G(0, 0, y)H(0, 0, z) + H(0, z)G(-z, 1-z, 0, y) + H(0, z)G(-z, 0, 1-z, y) \\
& - H(0, z)G(1-z, -z, 1-z, y) - H(0, z)G(1-z, 1-z, 0, y) \\
& - H(0, z)G(1-z, 1, 0, y) + H(0, z)G(1-z, 0, y) + H(0, z)G(1, 0, 1-z, y) \\
& + \left. \left. + \left( -G(-z, 1-z, 1-z, 0, y) - G(-z, 1-z, 0, 1-z, y) \right. \right. \right. \\
& - G(-z, 0, 1-z, 1-z, y) - G(1-z, 1-z, -z, 1-z, y) + G(1-z, 1-z, 1, 0, y) \\
& + G(1-z, 1-z, 0, y) + G(1-z, 1, 0, 1-z, y) - G(1-z, 1, 0, 0, y) \\
& - G(1-z, 0, -z, 1-z, y) - G(1, 1-z, 0, 0, y) - H(1, 1, 0, z)G(-z, y) \\
& - H(1, 1, z)G(-z, 0, y) - G(1, 0, 1-z, 0, y) + H(1, 0, 1, z)G(-z, y) \\
& - G(1, 0, 0, 1-z, y) + G(1, 0, y)H(1, z) - H(1, 0, z) + H(1, 0, z)G(-z, 1-z, y) \\
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& + H(1, z)G(-z, 1-z, y) + H(1, z)G(1-z, 1-z, -z, y) \\
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& + G(0, -z, 0, 1-z, y) + G(0, -z, 1-z, y) - G(0, -z, y)H(1, z) \\
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& - G(0, 0, 1, 0, y) - H(0, z)G(-z, 1-z, 1-z, y) + H(0, z)G(1-z, 0, 0, y) \\
& - H(0, z)G(1, 0, 0, y) \Big] \\
& + \frac{3}{2} \left( -G(0, -z, 1-z, y)H(0, z) - H(0, 1, z)G(1-z, -z, y) \right. \\
& \left. - H(0, 0, 1, z)G(1-z, y) \right) \\
& + 2 \left( -G(-z, -z, -z, 1-z, y) + G(-z, -z, 1-z, 1-z, y) \right. \\
& + G(-z, 1-z, -z, 1-z, y) + G(1-z, -z, -z, 1-z, y) - G(1, 1, 1, 0, y) \\
& + G(1, 1, 0, 0, y) + H(1, 1, 0, z)G(1-z, y) + H(1, 1, z)G(-z, -z, y) + G(1, 0, 1, 0, y) \\
& + H(1, z)G(-z, -z, -z, y) - H(1, z)G(-z, -z, 1-z, y) \\
& - H(1, z)G(-z, 1-z, -z, y) - H(1, z)G(1-z, -z, -z, y) + G(0, 1, 1, 0, y) \\
& + H(0, 1, z)G(-z, -z, y) + H(0, 0, 1, z)G(-z, y) \\
& + \frac{11}{24} \left( -G(0, 1-z, y)H(0, z) + H(0, 1, z)G(0, y) - H(0, z)G(1-z, 0, y) \right. \\
& + G(0, y)H(1, 0, z) \Big) \\
& + \frac{11}{6} \left( -G(-z, -z, 1-z, y) + G(1-z, 1-z, 0, y) + G(1-z, 0, 1-z, y) \right. \\
& + G(1-z, 0, 0, y) - G(1, 1, 0, y) + H(1, 0, 0, z) - H(1, 0, z)G(1-z, y) \\
& + H(1, z)G(-z, -z, y) - H(1, z)G(1-z, 0, y) + G(0, 1-z, 1-z, y) \\
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& + G(0, 0, y)H(0, z) + H(0, z)G(1-z, 1-z, y) + G(0, y)H(1, 1, z) \\
& + \frac{11}{4} \left( -H(1, 0, 1, z) + H(0, 1, z)G(1-z, y) + H(0, 1, 0, z) \right) \\
& + \frac{11}{3} \left( -G(1, 0, 0, y) - G(-z, 1-z, 1-z, y) - H(1, 1, z)G(-z, y) \right. \\
& \left. + H(1, z)G(-z, 1-z, y) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
R_{\text{L2};4}^{(2)} = & -2 \left[ J_4 \left( -\frac{uv}{w} \right) + J_4 \left( -\frac{vw}{u} \right) + J_4 \left( -\frac{wu}{v} \right) \right] \\
& - 8 \sum_{i=1}^3 \left[ \text{Li}_4 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{u_i} \right) + \frac{\log^4 u_i}{4!} \right] - 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^3 \text{Li}_2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{u_i} \right) \right]^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^3 \log^2 u_i \right]^2 + 2(J_2^2 - \zeta_2 J_2) - \frac{\log^4(uvw)}{4!} \\
& - \zeta_3 \log(uvw) - \frac{123}{8} \zeta_4,
\end{aligned}$$



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J_4(x) = & \text{Li}_4(x) - \log(-x)\text{Li}_3(x) + \frac{\log^\zeta(-x)}{2!}\text{Li}_2(x) \\
& - \frac{\log^3(-x)}{3!}\text{Li}_1(x) - \frac{\log^4(-x)}{48},
\end{aligned}$$

$$J_2 = \sum_{i=1}^3 \left( \text{Li}_2(1-u_i) + \frac{1}{2} \log(u_i) \log(u_{i+1}) \right),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{\pi^2}{2} \left( \frac{25z}{36(1-y-z)} - \frac{2z}{9} + \frac{5z^2}{18(1-y-z)}(2z - \frac{9}{2} + \frac{1}{1-y-z}(1-2z+z^2)) \right. \\
& - \frac{7z^2}{36} - \frac{19yz}{36} + \frac{17y(1-y)}{36} \\
& + i\pi \left[ \frac{55}{24} \left( -H(0, z)G(1-z, y) - H(0, z)G(0, y) - H(0, 1, z) \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. - 2H(1, z)G(-z, y) + H(1, z)G(0, y) - H(1, 0, z) - G(1-z, 0, y) \right) \right. \\
& + 2G(-z, 1-z, y) - G(0, 1-z, y) + 2G(1, 0, y) + \frac{11}{6}(-H(0, z) + H(1, z) \\
& \left. - G(1-z, y) - G(0, y)) + \frac{1}{3}(y(1-y-z) + z(1-z)) \right] - \frac{77\pi^2}{288} + \frac{3\zeta_3}{4} + \frac{185}{24}
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& + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^3 \log^2 u_i \right]^2 + 2(J_2^2 - \zeta_2 J_2) - \frac{\log^4(uvw)}{4!} \\
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- **deg=0:** Algebraic number,  $2 - \sqrt{3}$ ; rational functions,  $\frac{uv}{w^2}$
  - **deg=1:**  $\pi$ ,  $\log(1 - u - v)$ ,  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$
  - **deg=k:**  $\zeta_k$ ,  $\text{Li}_k(\frac{u}{v})$
- $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$
- This definition allows us to discuss the transcendental degree of UV or IR divergent quantities

$$\deg \left( \frac{\pi^2 \zeta_3 \log u}{\epsilon^2} \right) = 8$$

# The maximally transcendental principle

A diagram consisting of three rectangular boxes. The first box on the left is light blue and contains the text " $\mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ } SYM$ " in red. The second box in the middle is white with a black horizontal line through it, containing a large blue question mark. The third box on the right is orange and contains the text " $QCD$ " in blue.

- The MT part of  $N=4$  and QCD amplitude are the same?
- The MT part of amplitude is universal in all gauge theories?
- Anomalous dimensions of twist-two operators [Kotikov, Lipatov, Onishchenko, Velizhanin 2004]
- The dimension 4 contribution of Higgs to 3 gluon ( $H \rightarrow 3g$ ) amplitude in HEFT [Brandhuber, Travaglini, Yang 2012].

# The MTP of the IR divergence

- IR renormalization factor  $\ln Z \sim \alpha(\frac{\gamma_1^{cusp}}{4\epsilon^2} + \frac{\gamma_1^{q,g}}{2\epsilon}) + \alpha^2(\frac{\gamma_2^{cusp}}{16\epsilon^2} + \frac{\gamma_2^{q,g}}{4\epsilon}) + \alpha^3(\frac{\gamma_3^{cusp}}{36\epsilon^2} + \frac{\gamma_3^{q,g}}{6\epsilon})$

- The MT part of cusp anomalous dimension is theory-independent up to 3 loops.

$$\gamma_1^{cusp} = 4,$$

$$\gamma_2^{cusp} = \left( \frac{268}{9} - \frac{4\pi^2}{3} \right) C_A - \frac{80}{9} T_F n_f,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_3^{cusp} &= C_A^2 \left( \frac{490}{3} - \frac{536\pi^2}{27} + \frac{44\pi^4}{45} + \frac{88}{3} \zeta_3 \right) + C_A T_F n_f \left( -\frac{1672}{27} + \frac{160\pi^2}{27} - \frac{224}{3} \zeta_3 \right) \\ &\quad + C_F T_F n_f \left( -\frac{220}{3} + 64\zeta_3 \right) - \frac{64}{27} T_F^2 n_f^2. \end{aligned}$$

# The MTP of the IR divergence

- The MT part of jet anomalous dimension only depends on the group representation of the particle up to 3 loops.

$$\gamma_1^q = -3C_F,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_2^q &= C_F^2 \left( -\frac{3}{2} + 2\pi^2 - 24\zeta_3 \right) + C_F C_A \left( -\frac{961}{54} - \frac{11\pi^2}{6} + 26\zeta_3 \right) + C_F T_F n_f \left( \frac{130}{27} + \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \right), \\ \gamma_3^q &= C_F^3 \left( -\frac{29}{2} - 3\pi^2 - \frac{8\pi^4}{5} - 68\zeta_3 + \frac{16\pi^2}{3} \zeta_3 + 240\zeta_5 \right) \\ &\quad + C_F^2 C_A \left( -\frac{151}{4} + \frac{205\pi^2}{9} + \frac{247\pi^4}{135} - \frac{844}{3} \zeta_3 - \frac{8\pi^2}{3} \zeta_3 - 120\zeta_5 \right) \\ &\quad + C_F C_A^2 \left( -\frac{139345}{2916} - \frac{7163\pi^2}{486} - \frac{83\pi^4}{90} + \frac{3526}{9} \zeta_3 - \frac{44\pi^2}{9} \zeta_3 - 136\zeta_5 \right) \\ &\quad + C_F^2 T_F n_f \left( \frac{2953}{27} - \frac{26\pi^2}{9} - \frac{28\pi^4}{27} + \frac{512}{9} \zeta_3 \right) \\ &\quad + C_F C_A T_F n_f \left( -\frac{17318}{729} + \frac{2594\pi^2}{243} + \frac{22\pi^4}{45} - \frac{1928}{27} \zeta_3 \right) \\ &\quad + C_F T_F^2 n_f^2 \left( \frac{9668}{729} - \frac{40\pi^2}{27} - \frac{32}{27} \zeta_3 \right). \end{aligned}$$

- MTP of IR divergence:

$$\gamma^q \Big|_{MT} \xrightarrow{C_F \rightarrow C_A} \gamma^g \Big|_{MT}$$

# Hidden relation in $H \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$ amplitude

- The dimension 4 contribution of  $H \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$  and  $H \rightarrow 3g$  amplitudes are given in [Gehrmann et al 2011].

$$\Omega^{(2),finite} = \left( N^2 A_\Omega^{(2)} + N^0 B_\Omega^{(2)} + \frac{1}{N^2} C_\Omega^{(2)} + \frac{N_F}{N} D_\Omega^{(2)} + N N_F E_\Omega^{(2)} + N_F^2 F_\Omega^{(2)} \right)$$

- We rewrite the expressions using quadratic Casimir:

$$C_A = N, \quad C_F = \frac{N^2 - 1}{2N}$$

$H \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$  amplitude reduces to  $H \rightarrow 3g$  amplitude by replacing quadratic Casimir from Fundamental to Adjoint. [QJ, Yang 2019]

$$H \rightarrow q\bar{q}g \xrightarrow{C_F \rightarrow C_A} H \rightarrow 3g$$

# Verify MTP for dimension-6 operators

$$\begin{aligned} A_{QCD;4} = & -\frac{3}{2}\text{Li}_4(u) + \frac{3}{4}\text{Li}_4\left(-\frac{uv}{w}\right) - \frac{3}{2}\log(w)\text{Li}_3\left(-\frac{u}{v}\right) \\ & + \frac{\log^2(u)}{32} [\log^2(u) + \log^2(v) + \log^2(w) - 4\log(v)\log(w)] \\ & + \frac{\zeta_2}{8} [5\log^2(u) - 2\log(v)\log(w)] - \frac{1}{4}\zeta_4 - \frac{1}{2}\zeta_3\log(-q^2) + \text{perms}(u, v, w). \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{N}=4 \text{ } SYM} \quad \stackrel{\checkmark}{=} \quad \boxed{QCD}$$

$H \rightarrow 3g$  : Verified [QJ, Yang 2018]

The same relation as the dimension-4 operator was verified. [QJ, Yang 2019]

$$H \rightarrow q\bar{q}g \xrightarrow{C_F \rightarrow C_A} H \rightarrow 3g$$

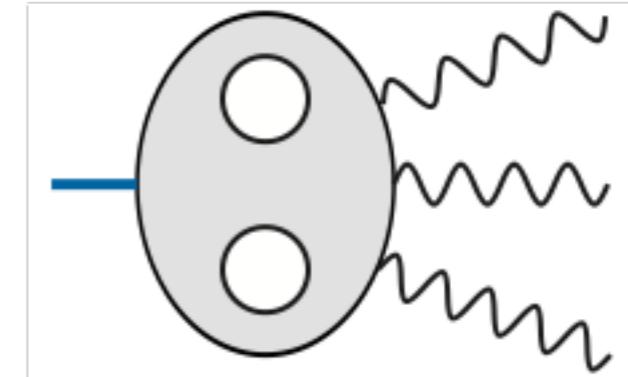
# The Universality of MTP

- Changed the effective interaction between Higgs and partons, including  $H\bar{\psi}\psi$ ,  $HF^3$ ,  $HFD^2F$
- Replaced quark by scalar fields and computed  $H \rightarrow \phi\bar{\phi}g$  amplitudes.
- MTP is universal. It does not depend on the spin and is insensitive to the details of interaction.

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# Summary and outlook



- Analytical Higgs to 3 parton amplitude at two loops.
- Extend MTP to  $H \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$  amplitude.
- The origin of MTP?
- Any relation between MT part of N=4 SYM and QCD gluon amplitudes?



**Thank you!**