

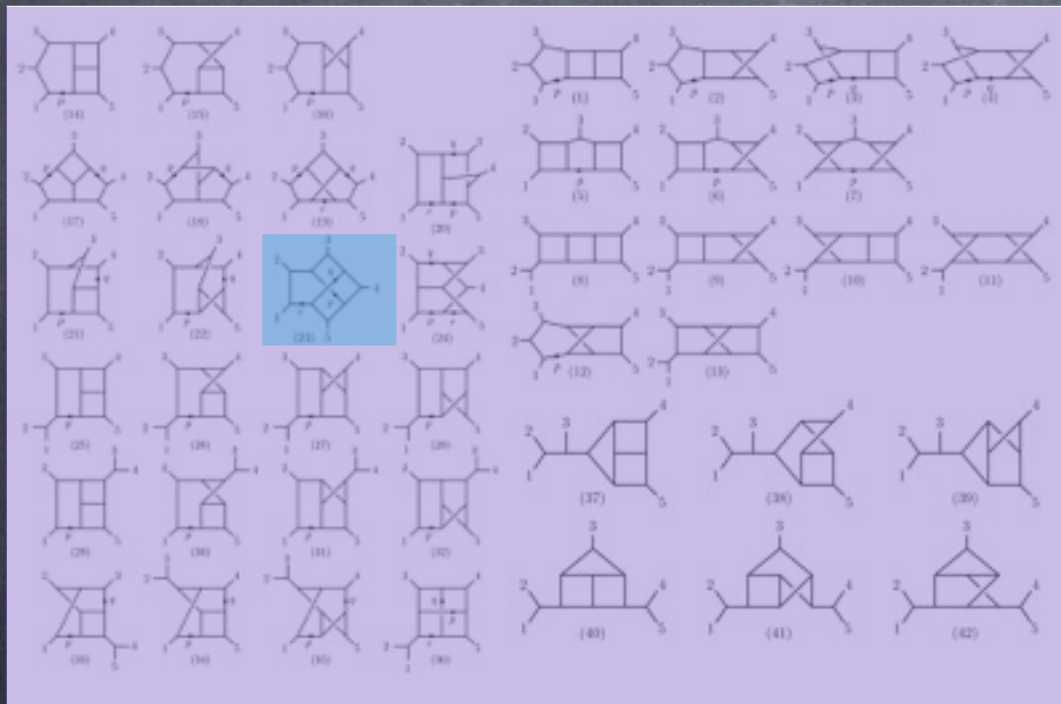
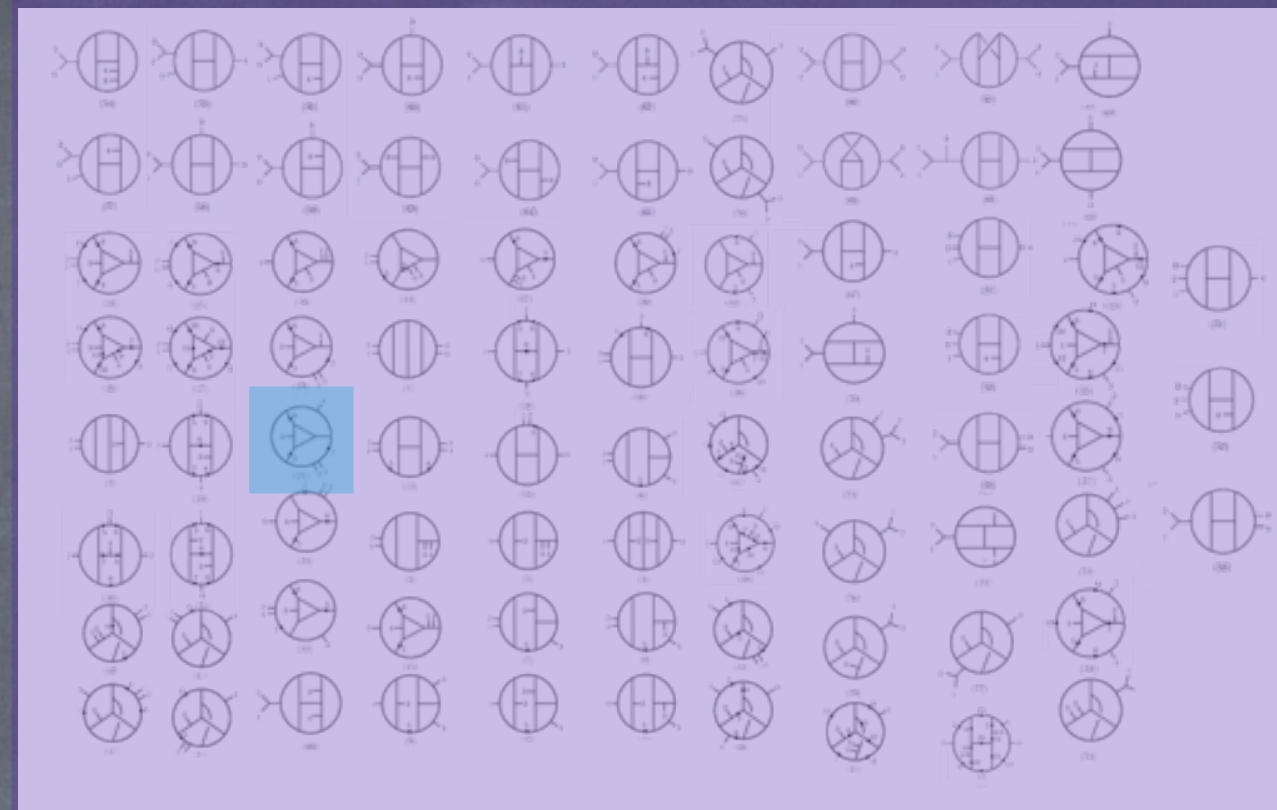
# Generic multiloop methods for gauge and gravity scattering amplitudes, a guided tour with pedagogic aspiration...

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Been asked to take you on a tour of some of the technical tools that come together in tackling the leading multiloop calculations in supergravity



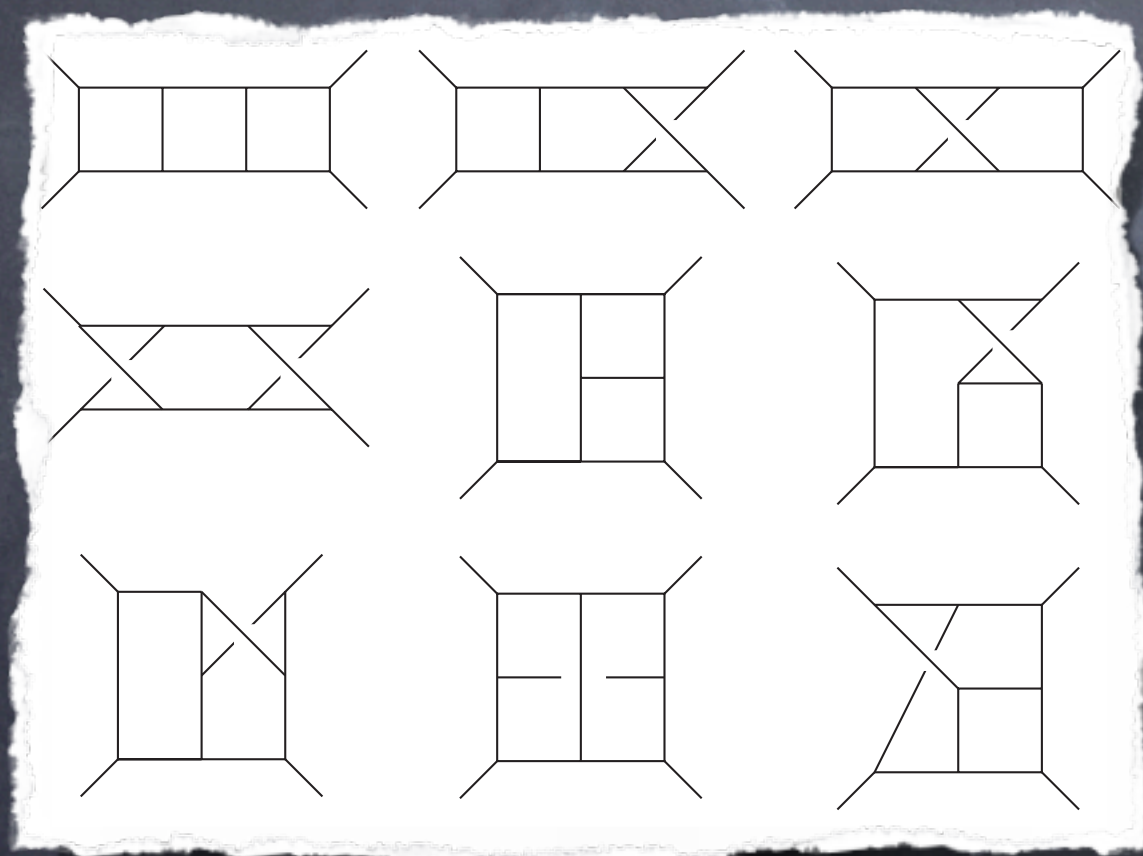
Some of these will be organizational, and some of this will be apprehending various ways that gravity is intimately related to Yang-Mills

Will briefly close discussing some recent UV surprises and update on 5-loops  $N=4$  SYM



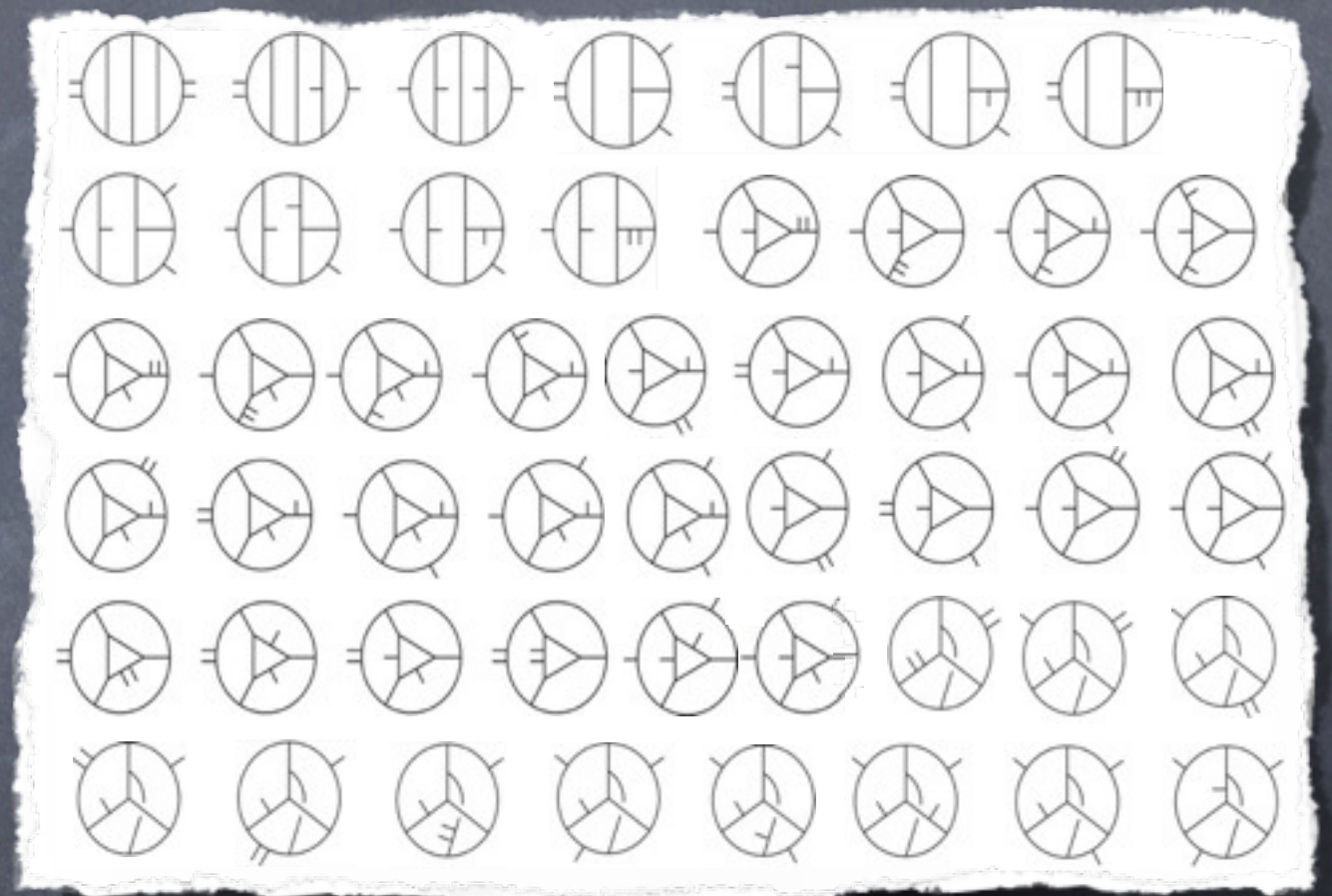
# Tools:

cubic graph organization + unitarity + KLT for Field Theory +  
=> allowed calculation of N=8 SUGRA through Four Loops by  
calculating N=4 sYM (exposing previously unexpected  
"superfiniteness")



Bern, JJMC, Dixon, Johansson,  
Kosower, Roiban

'07, '08



Bern, JJMC, Dixon, Johansson, Roiban

'09, '10

So I'm going to talk about KLT, Graphy Thinking and Unitarity

Sophisticated Graphy thinking + Geometry emerging from planar N=4

- See Arkani-Hamed's talk



## Aside:

Graphy thinking and Unitarity also important for collider physics!

Besides fantastic progress in NLO 1-loop QCD

--see e.g. refs in Britto ('10), Ita ('11)

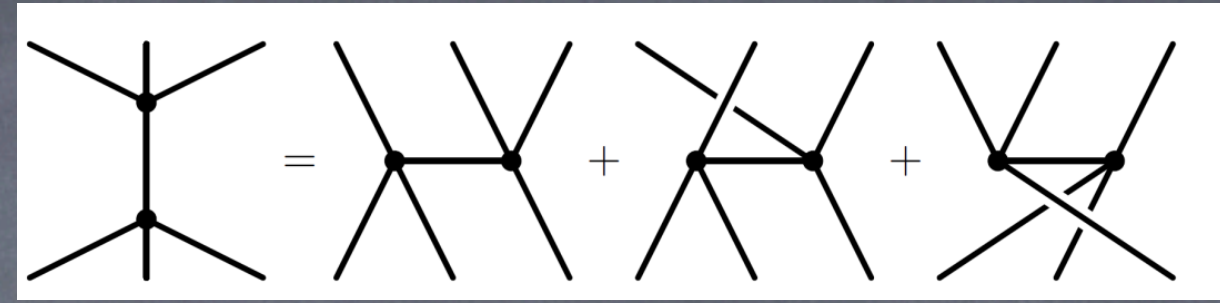
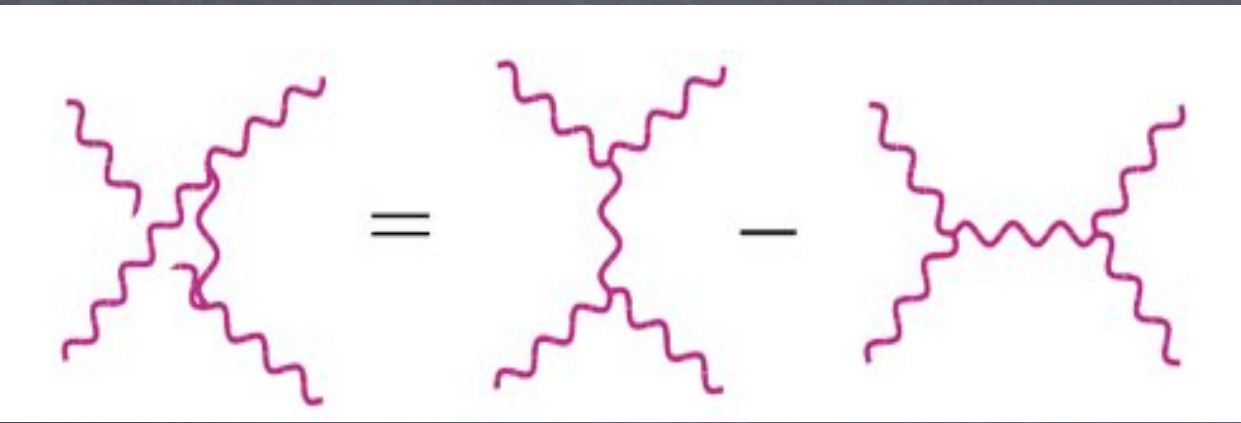
Two-loop QCD coming under recent renewed attack with these types of methods

Mastrolia, Ossola '11; Kosower, Larsen '11; Caron-Huot, Larsen '12; Kleiss, Malamos, Papadopoulos, Verheyen '12; Badger, Frellesvig, Zhang '12

Looking toward 3 loops+

Mastrolia, Mirabella, Ossola, Peraro '12 Badger, Frellesvig, Zhang '12





Higher loop N=4 sYM calculations exposed a highly constraining structure -- **color-kinematic ‘duality’**

Trivially generates gravity theory amplitudes in graph by graph **double-copy** form.

- led to disentangling KLT in string and field theory
- ongoing work in exposing underlying cause

So I’m going to talk about  
**color-kinematics and double-copy**



If you're not familiar with the benefits of calculations under constraints it can be helpful to consider a type of constrained poem like a Villanelle





# Villanelle



(since we're in Munich)



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In spite of what some people say  
Budweiser is the king of beers

Though not the first among my peers  
to drink the brew `most every day  
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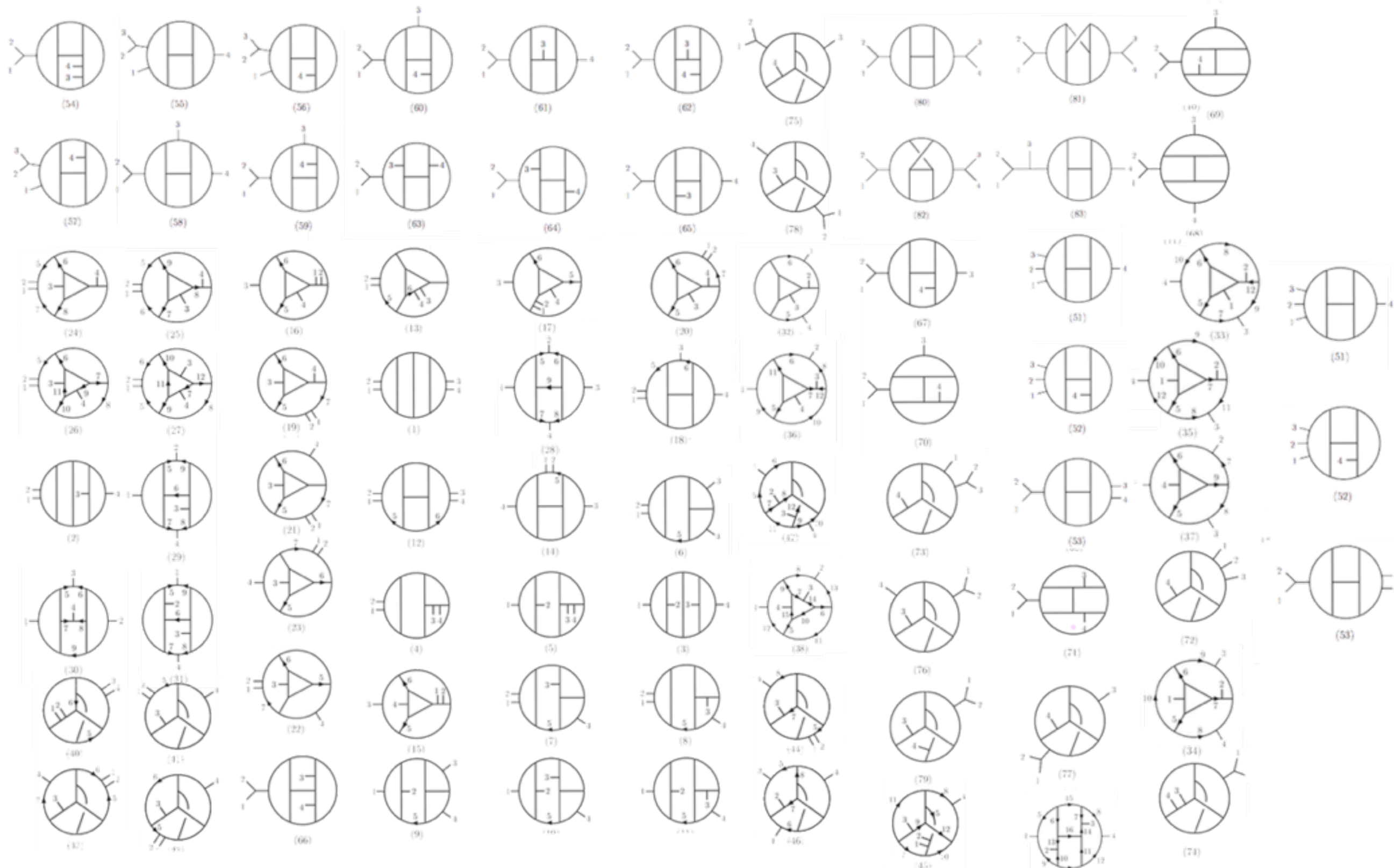


# What's going on?

- Minimal information in.
- Relations propagate this information to a full solution.



# Start with N=4 SYM --



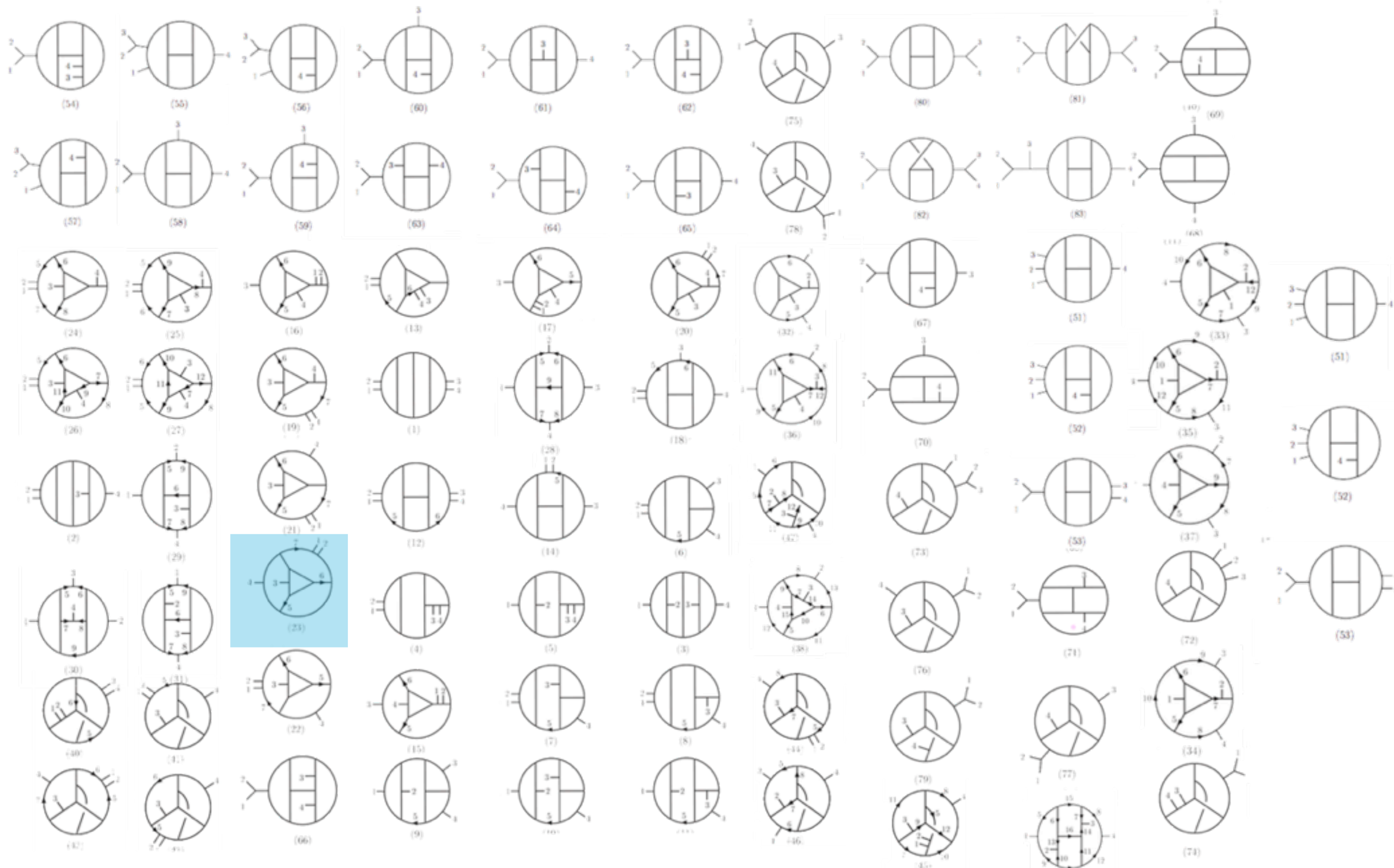
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Bern, JJMC, Dixon, Johansson, Roiban '12

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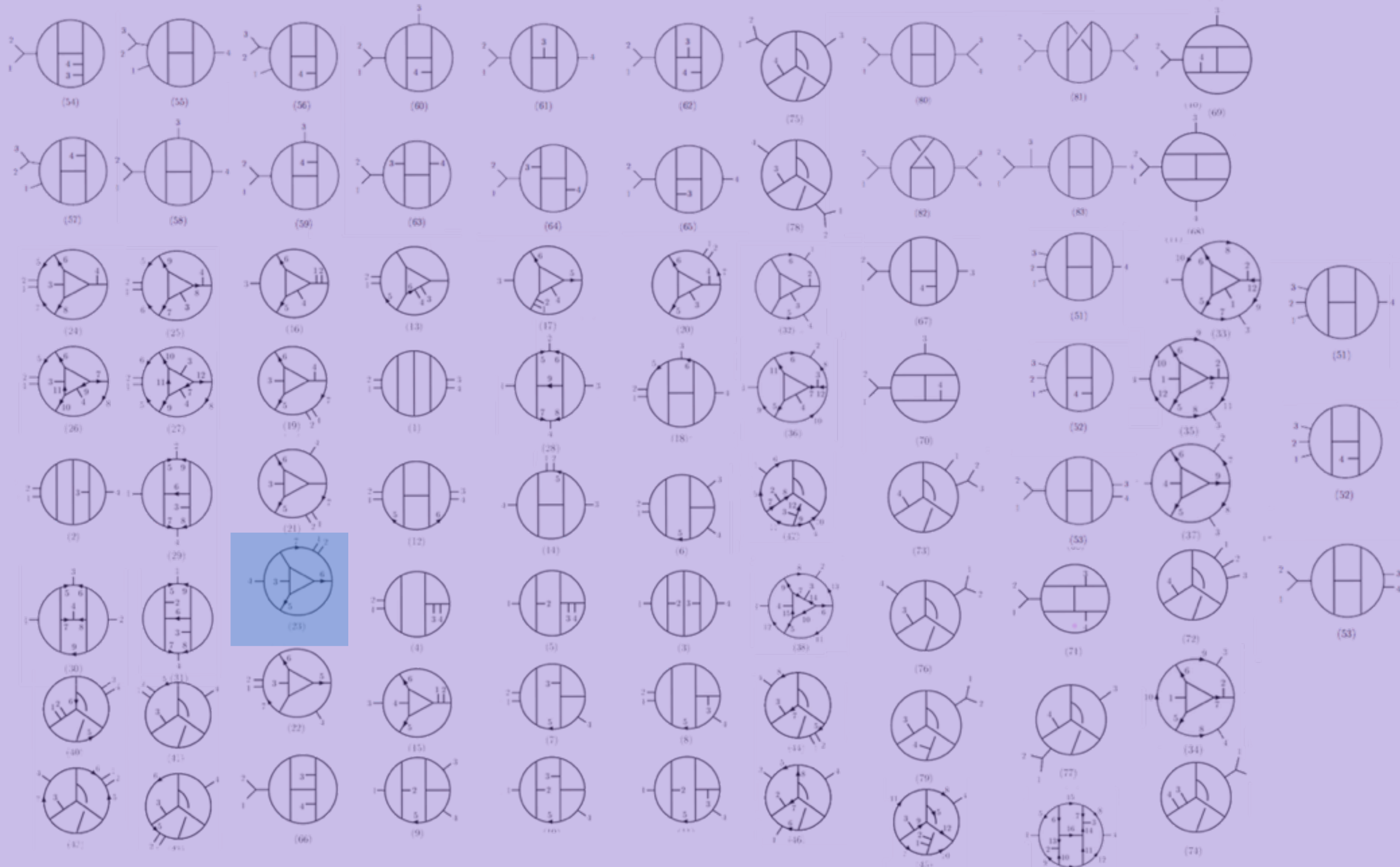
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# Start with N=4 SYM -- write it the correct way and get N=8 SUGRA



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“Gluons for (almost) nothing, gravitons for free..”



# Cubic (trilinear) Organization natural for YM, and Gravity

Theory dependent

$$\text{Amplitude} \sim \sum_{i \in \text{cubic}} \frac{h(\text{graph}_i)}{D(\text{graph}_i)}$$



$$D(\text{graph}_i) = \prod_{p \in \text{internal edges}} p^2$$

Gauge theory:

$$h(\text{graph}_i) \propto n(\text{graph}_i) c(\text{graph}_i) \dots$$

$n(\cdot)$  kinematic numerator "dressing" (antisymmetric)

$c(\cdot)$  group theoretic color factor: antisymmetric + Jacobi's

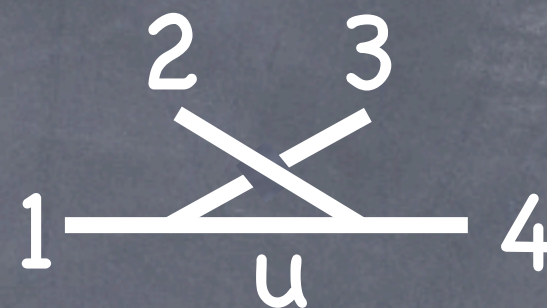
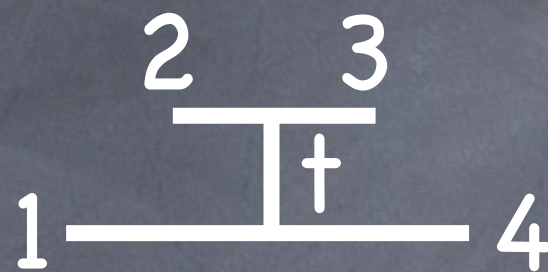
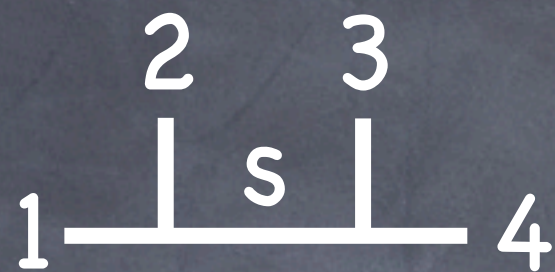
Dress vertices of diagram  $(i)$  with

the structure constants

$$f^{abc} = \text{Tr}([T^a, T^b] T^c)$$

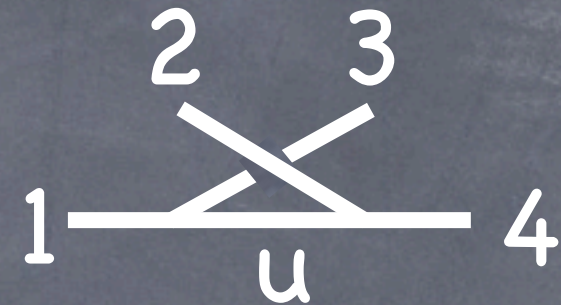
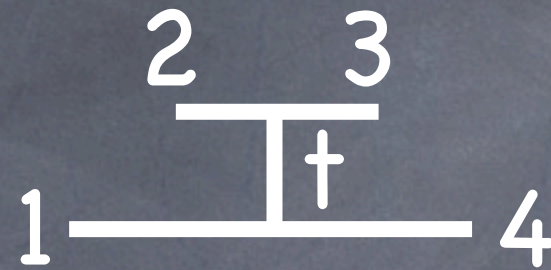
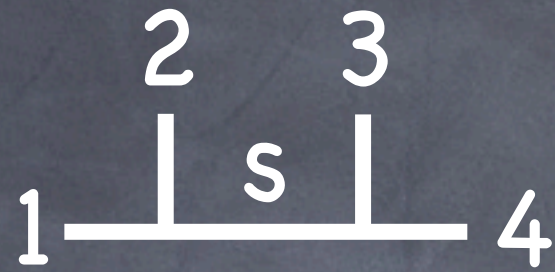


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$$= \begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} 2 \quad 3 \\ | \quad | \\ 1 \text{---} \text{---} 4 \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} 1 \quad 2 \\ | \quad | \\ 4 \text{---} \text{---} 3 \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} 3 \quad 2 \\ | \quad | \\ 1 \text{---} \text{---} 4 \end{array} \end{array}$$

All three graphs relabels of the same “half-ladder”

$$A_4^{\text{tree}} = g_{\text{YM}}^2 \sum_{\text{labels}} \frac{c(\text{half-ladder}) n(\text{half-ladder})}{d(\text{half-ladder})}$$

$$A_m^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, \dots, m) = \sum_{g \in \text{cyclic}} \frac{n(g)}{\prod_{l \in p(g)} l^2}$$

n(.) kinematic numerator “dressing” (antisymmetric)  
c(.) group theoretic color factor



$$\mathcal{A} = g_{\text{YM}}^2 \sum_g \frac{\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{g}) \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{g})}{\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{g})}$$

$$\mathbf{c}(\text{diagram}) = \tilde{f}^{a_1 a_2 b} \tilde{f}^{b a_3 a_4}$$

Diagram: A horizontal line with four vertices labeled 1, 2, 3, 4 from left to right. Vertex 1 is connected to vertex 2 by a vertical line, and vertex 2 is connected to vertex 3 by a vertical line. Vertex 3 is connected to vertex 4 by a vertical line.

$$\mathbf{d}(\text{diagram}) = (k_1 + k_2)^2 = (k_3 + k_4)^2$$

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$$n(\text{diagram 3})$$


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Amusingly that symmetric four-point tree numerator is more complicated than many 4-pt multiloop numerators for N=4 sYM

N=4 sYM ladder numerators through 3 loops

$$n\left(\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \text{---} \\ 1 \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ \text{---} \\ 4 \end{array} \right) = (\mathcal{K}_4)$$

Green, Schwarz, Brink (1982)

Bern, Rozowsky, Yan (1997)

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Bern, Rozowsky, Yan (1997)  
(3-particle cuts checked later)

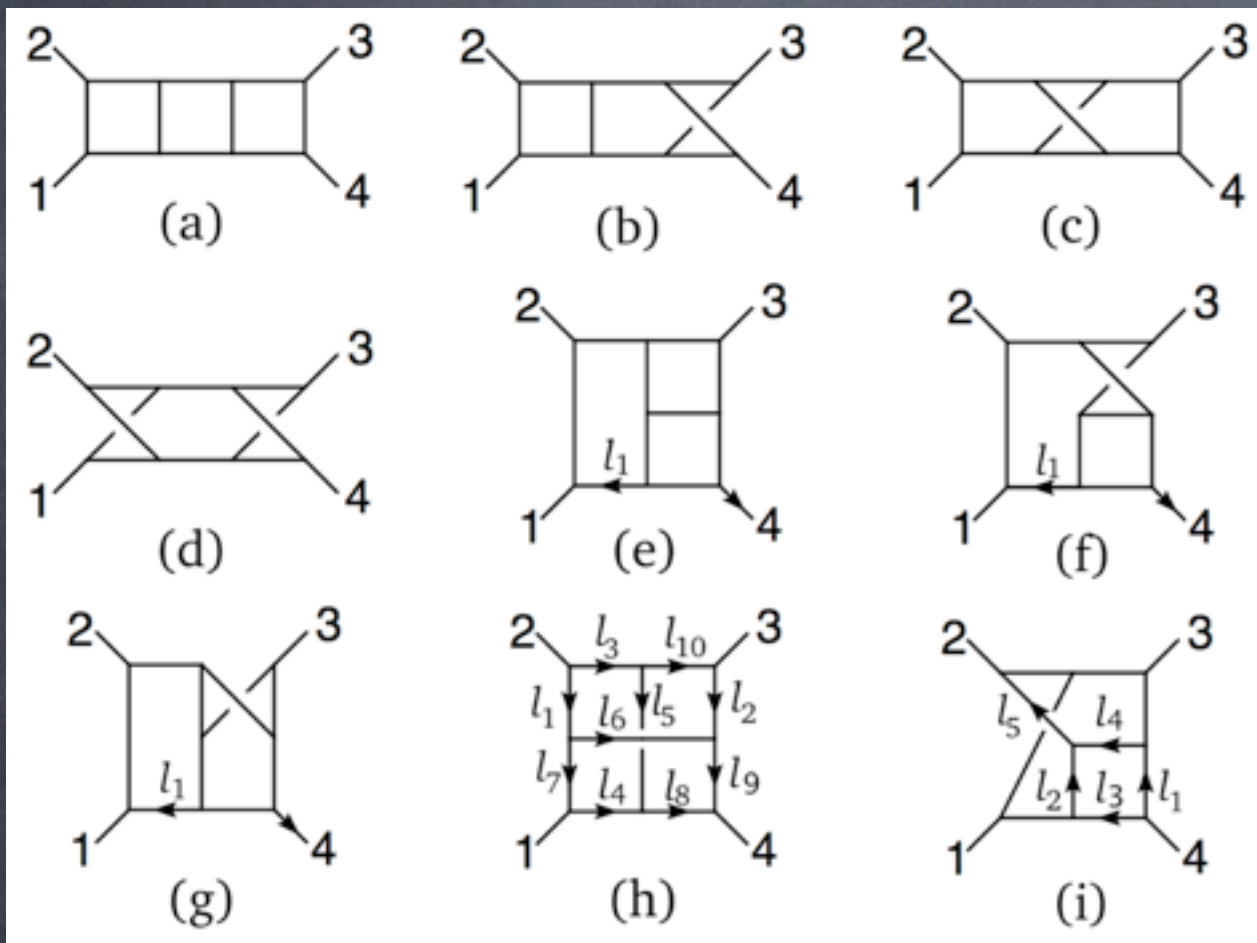
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$$s_{ab} = (\mathbf{k}_a + \mathbf{k}_b)^2 \quad \text{(keeps going)}$$

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Look at the rest of 3-loops -- nice expressions!



Integral	$\mathcal{N} = 4$ Yang-Mills
(a)–(d)	$s^2$
(e)–(g)	$s(l_1 + k_4)^2$
(h)	$s(l_1 + l_2)^2 + t(l_3 + l_4)^2 - sl_5^2 - tl_6^2 - st$
(i)	$s(l_1 + l_2)^2 - t(l_3 + l_4)^2 - \frac{1}{3}(s - t)l_5^2$

Bern, JJMC, Dixon, Johansson, Kosower, Roiban '07

suppressing a factor of:

$$\mathcal{K}_4 = \text{st} A_4^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4)$$

$$s = (k_1 + k_2)^2$$

$$t = (k_1 + k_4)^2$$



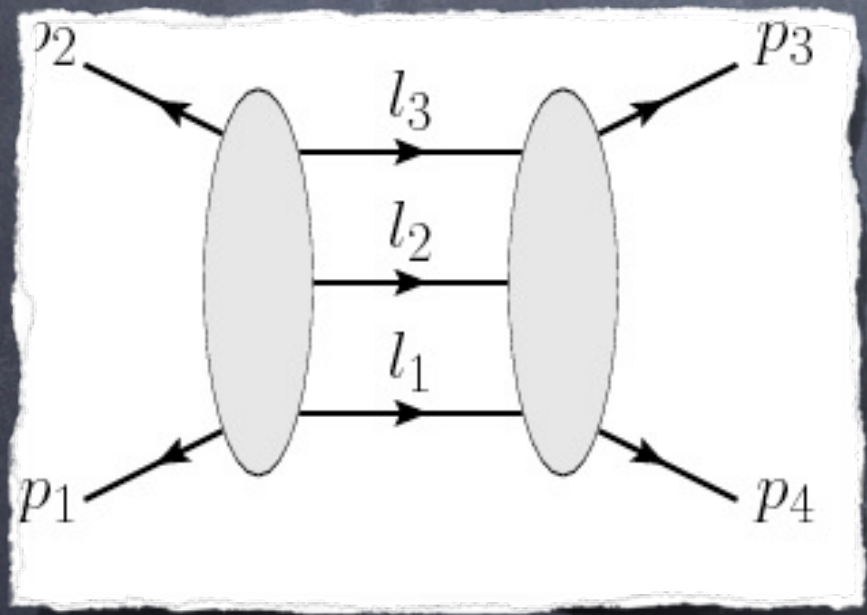
# How can we know if an amplitude is correct?

Integrand satisfies **all D-dimensional** generalized unitarity cuts.

Bern, Dixon, Dunbar, and Kosower ('94,'95)

Bern, Dixon, and Kosower ('96)

Britto, Cachazo, and Feng ('04)



compare contributions from the integrand to on-shell knowledge you already have about the theory

$$\sum_{\text{states}} A(p_1, p_2, l_3, l_2, l_1) \times A(-l_1, -l_2, -l_3, p_3, p_4)$$

see also Britto ('10), Bern,Huang('11), JJMC,Johansson('11) and refs therein

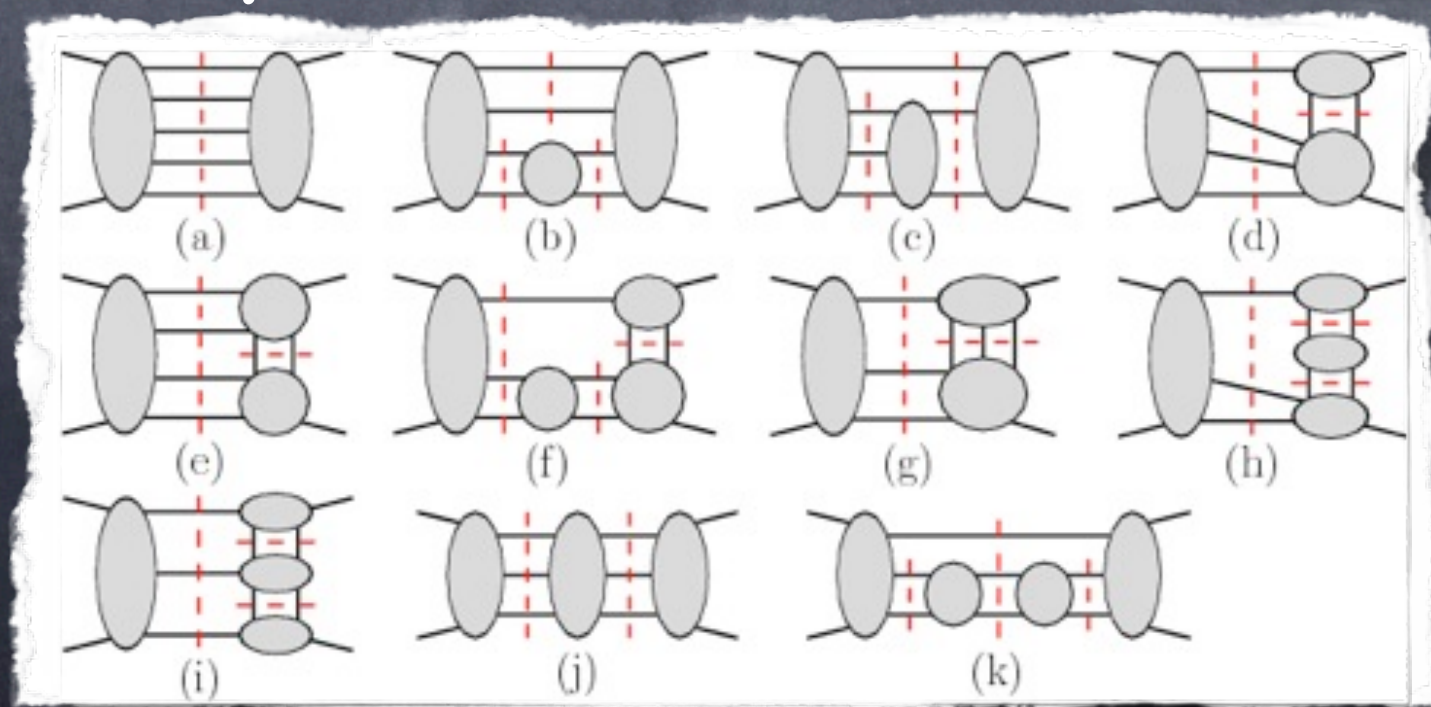


Correct?

all cuts:

Leaves no graph topologies untouched for contributions to be hiding in.

spanning set: any set sufficient to guarantee satisfaction of all cuts given the theory

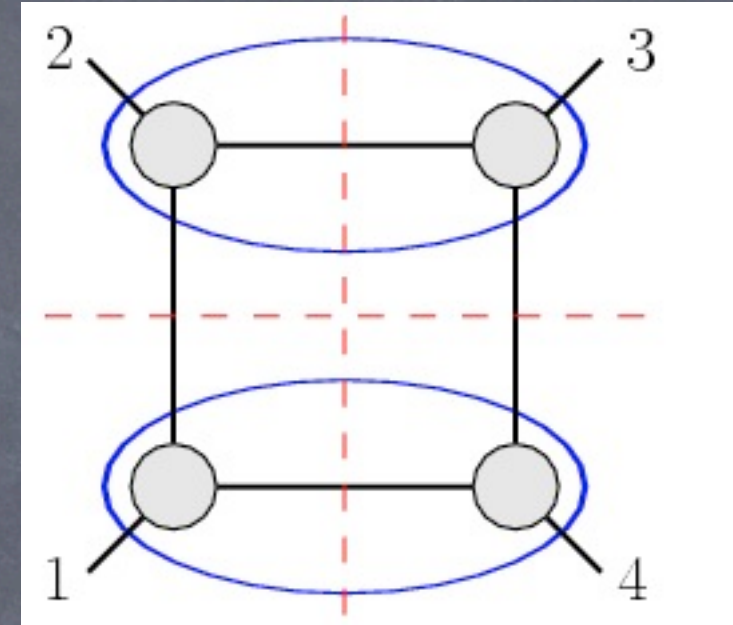
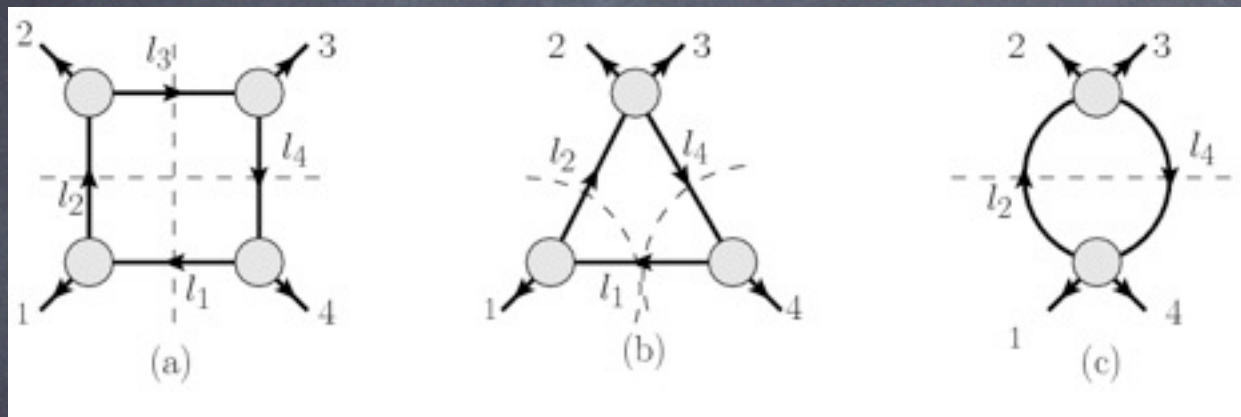


Bern, JJMC, Dixon,  
Johansson, Roiban (2010)



Correct?

# D-dimensional:



Workhorse:  $N=1$  in 10D  
Relatively New:  $N=2$  in 6D

(as tree multiplicity increases  
expressions can be unwieldy)

Cheung, O'Connell;  
Dennen, Huang, Siegel; Boels;  
Bern, JJMC, Dennen, Huang, Ita

Super New Shiny:  $N=1$  in 10D

Caron-Hout, O'Connell;

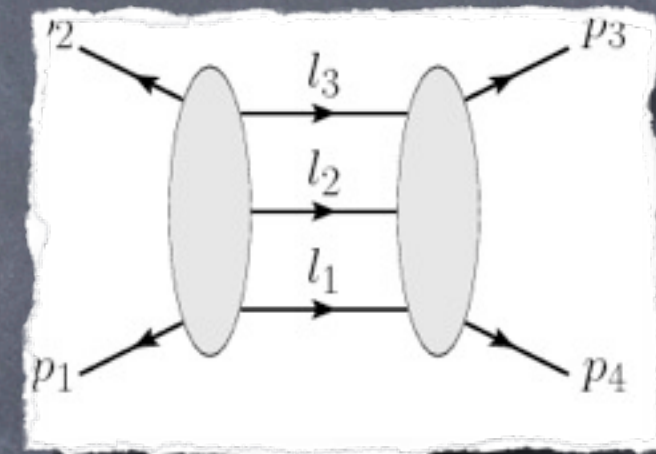
Solved D-dim. cuts special to maximal susy:  
Iterated 2-particle, Box

Bern, JJMC, Dixon,  
Johansson, Roiban;



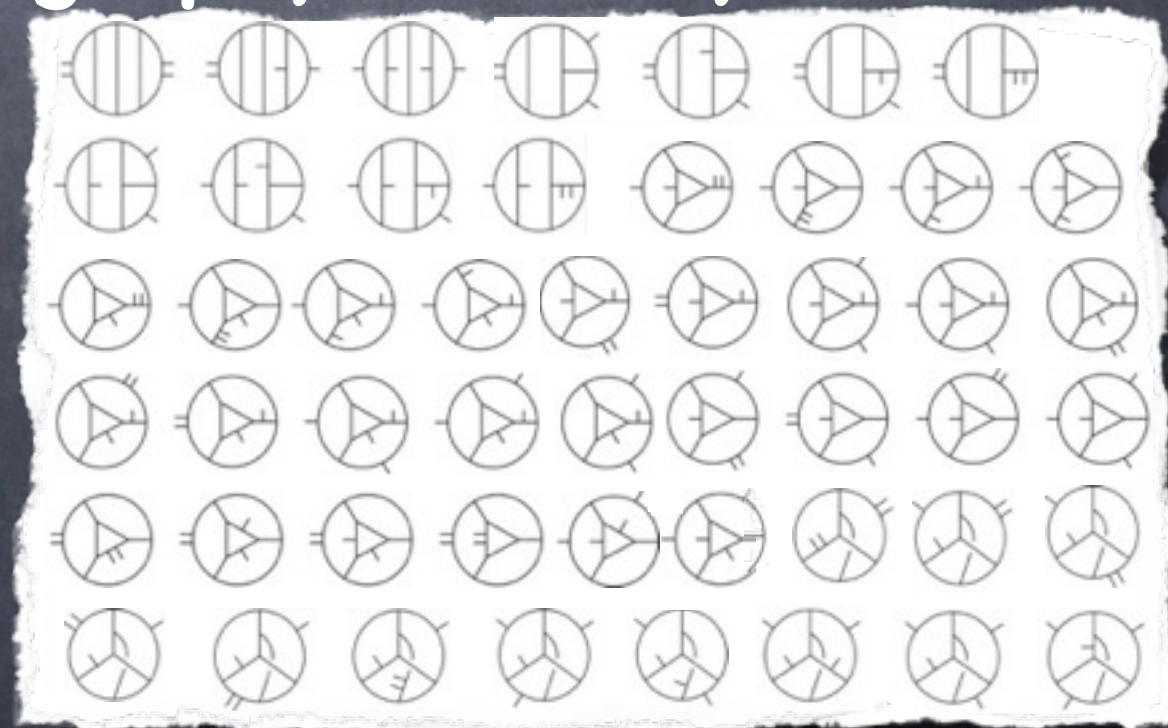
# Construction with graphs:

Amplitudes organized around graphs makes unitarity checks straightforward -- easy to identify the contribution to a cut from the integrand



Anything sufficient for verification and straightforward to implement can be efficiently used for construction -- spirit of modern graphy unitarity amplitude construction

with complex momenta  
can target precise  
contributions





## H. KAWAI, D.C. LEWELLEN and S.-H.H. TYE (1985)

The information in the string tree-level S-Matrix of Gravity is completely described by the string tree-level S-Matrix of Yang-Mills theory

- No closed all-multiplicity expression, KLT had 6-point, and gave an algorithm for going to higher point in many situations

## Bern, Dixon, Perelstein, Rozowsky (1997)

### Complete KLT-relations in field theory

- Closed form all multiplicity expression
- Higher multiplicity expressions make manifest just how scrambled these relations get
- But this, through graph organized unitarity allows the climb to four-loops N=8 supergravity

There have recently been beautiful new tree-level gravity expressions

Hodges '11, '12; Cachazo, et al., '12

--see Cachazo's talk



# KLT field theory expressions:

Kawai, Lewellen, Tye

Bern, Dixon, Perelstein, Rozowsky ('97)

## Gravity tree amplitudes:

$$\mathbf{M}_n^{\text{tree}}(1, \dots, n-1, n) = i(-1)^{n+1} \sum_{\text{perms}(2, \dots, n-2)} \left[ A^{\text{tree}}(1, \dots, n-1, n) \right. \\ \left. \times \sum_{\text{perms}(i, l)} f(i) \bar{f}(l) \tilde{A}_n^{\text{tree}}(i_1, \dots, i_{(n/2-1)}, 1, n-1, l_1, \dots, l_{n/2-2}, n) \right]$$

Color-ordered gauge tree amplitudes

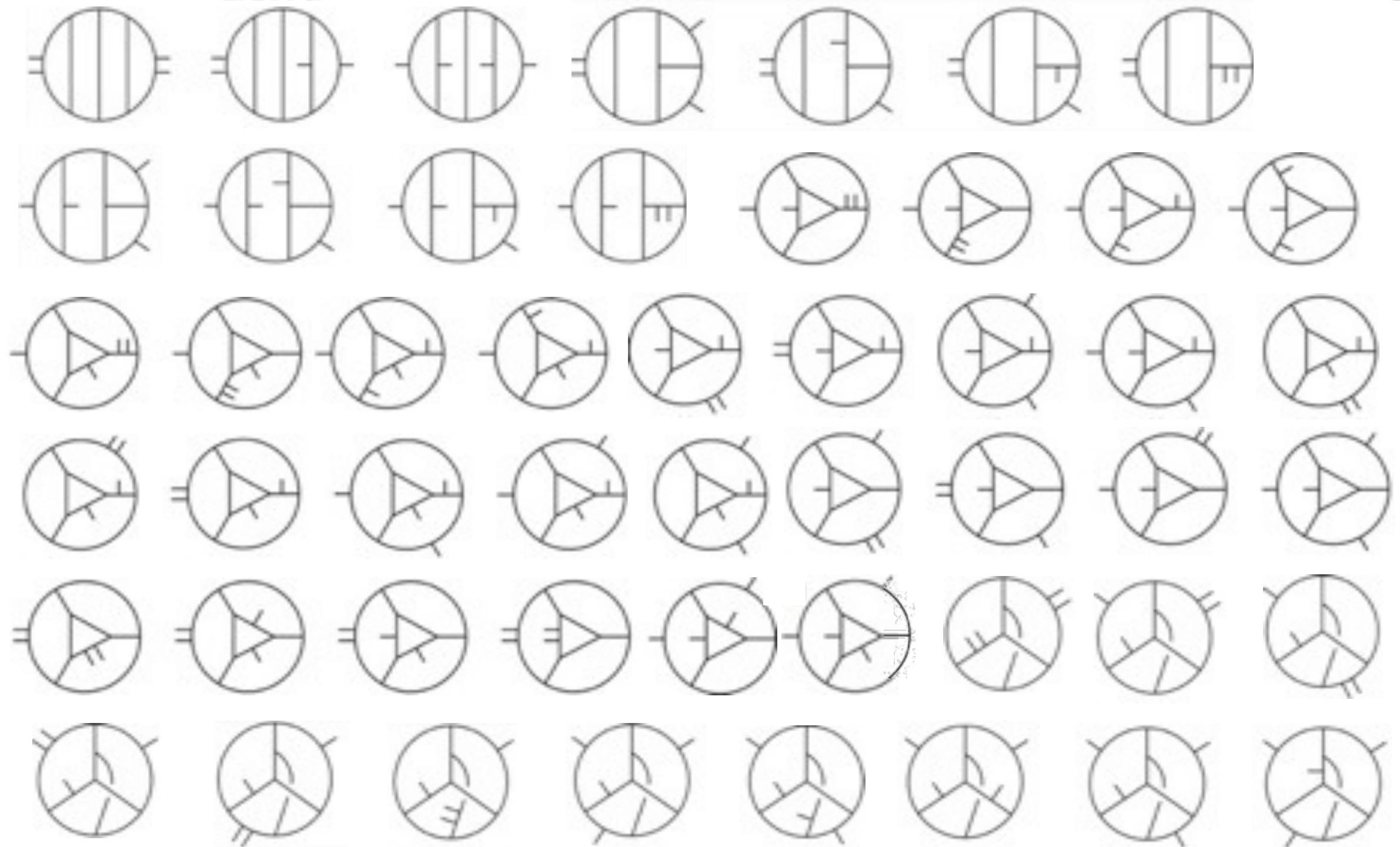
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{i} &= \text{perm}(\{2, \dots, n/2\}) \\ \mathbf{l} &= \text{perm}(\{n/2 + 1, \dots, n-2\}) \\ \mathbf{f}(i_1, \dots, i_j) &= s_{1, i_j} \prod_{m=1}^{j-1} \left( s_{1, i_m} + \sum_{k=m+1}^j g(i_m, i_k) \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{f}(l_1, \dots, l_{j'}) = s_{l_1, n-1} \prod_{m=2}^{j'} \left( s_{l_m, n-1} + \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} g(l_k, l_m) \right)$$

$$\mathbf{g}(i, j) = \begin{cases} s_{i, j} & \text{if } i > j \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases} \quad \mathbf{s}_{a, b} = (k_a + k_b)^2$$



These the tools that can take you to four loops  
-- but it can take a while to get there



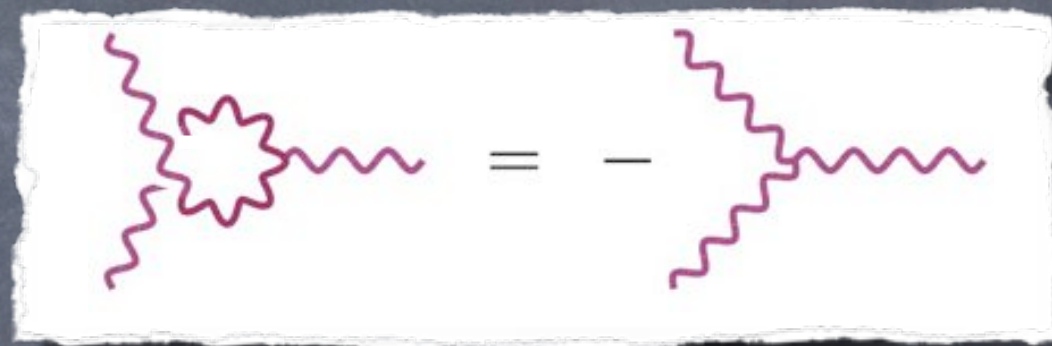


# Generic D-dimensional YM theories have a novel structure at tree-level

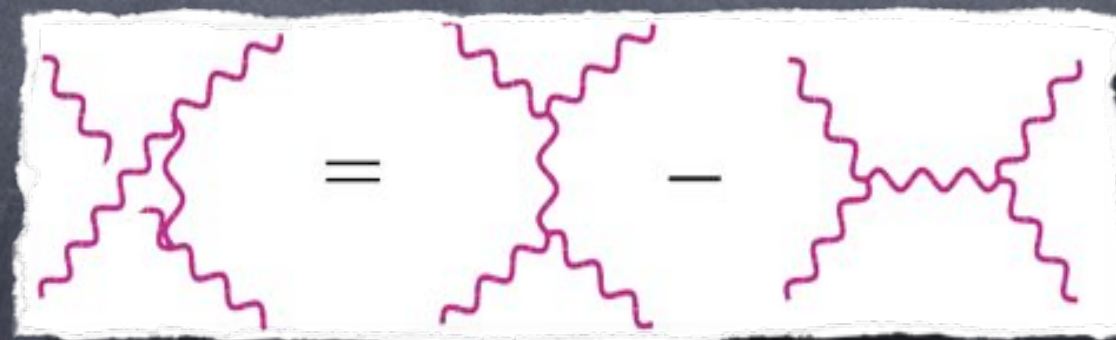
BCJ ('08)

$$\mathcal{A}_m^{\text{tree}} = g^{(m-2)} \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \left( \frac{c(\mathcal{G}) n(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})} \right)$$

Color factors and  
numerator factors  
satisfy similar lie  
algebra properties



Antisymmetry



Jacobi

## Color-Kinematic Duality!



$$\mathcal{A}_m^{\text{tree}} = g^{(m-2)} \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \left( \frac{c(\mathcal{G}) n(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})} \right)$$

color factors just sitting there obeying antisymmetry and Jacobi relations.

Proven at tree-level given CK and KLT

Bern, Dennen, Huang, Kiermaier '10



$$\mathcal{A}_m^{\text{tree}} = g^{(m-2)} \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \left( \frac{c(\mathcal{G}) n(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})} \right)$$

color factors just sitting there obeying antisymmetry and Jacobi relations.

$$\sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \frac{n(\mathcal{G}) \tilde{n}(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})} = \text{Gravity amplitude in a related theory}$$

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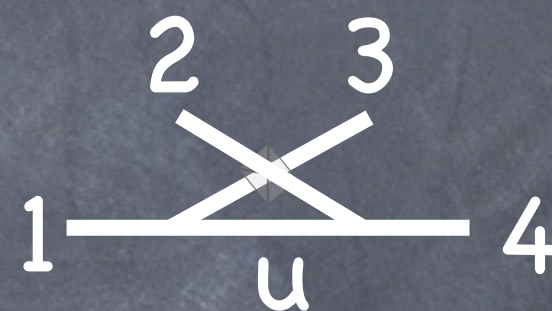
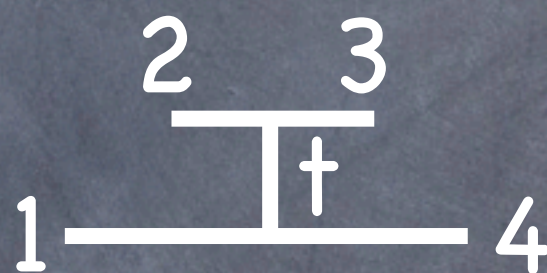
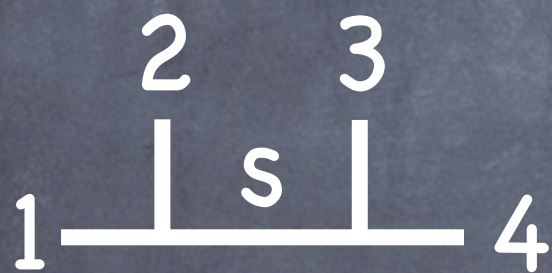


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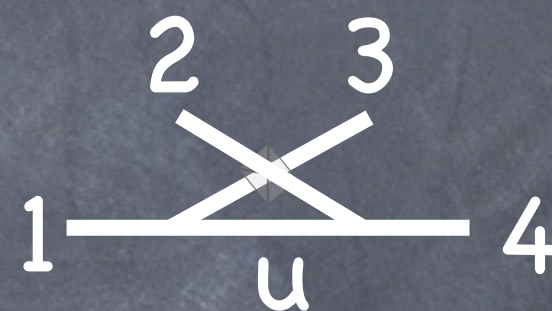
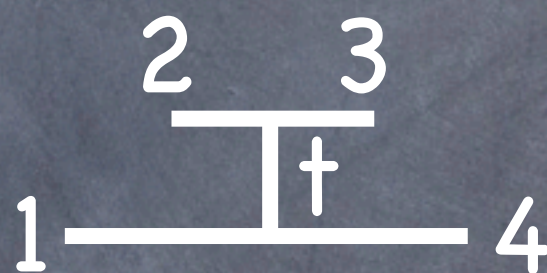
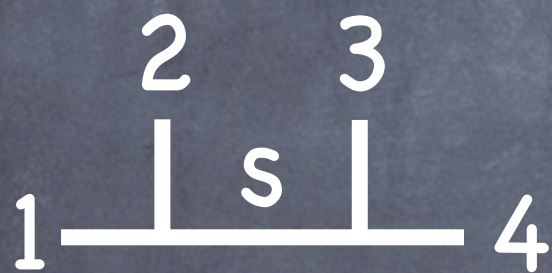


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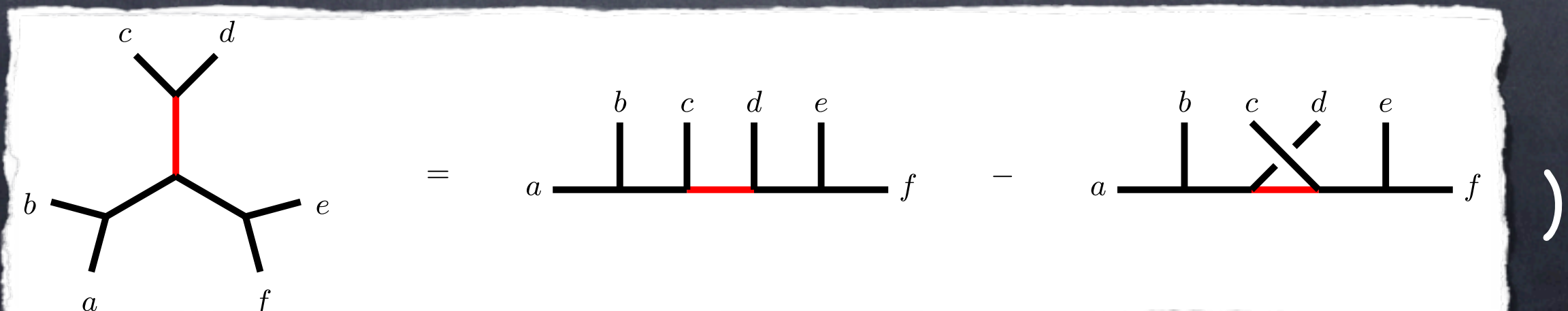
- 2) Solve linear equations to get a GRAPH BASIS in terms of  $(m-2)!$  Jacobi-independent numerators (e.g. can let them all be half-ladders)

So for 4-pt solve for any of the 3 numerators in terms of 2:

$$n_s = n_t + n_u$$

$$n_u \equiv n_s - n_t$$

(for interesting non-half-ladder topologies have to go to 6 pt:





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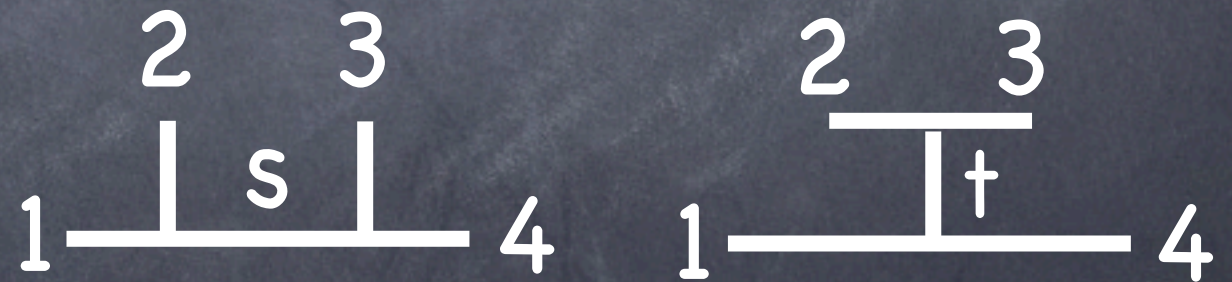
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- 3) Expand all color-ordered amplitudes in terms of their constituent graphs:

$$A_m^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, \dots, m) = \sum_{g \in \text{cyclic}} \frac{n(g)}{\prod_{l \in p(g)} l^2}$$

Only two numerators left  
need only 1 tree at 4-pt

$A(1, 2, 3, 4)$  graphs:



$$A(1, 2, 3, 4) = \frac{n_s}{s} + \frac{n_t}{t}$$



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- 4) Write the color ordered amplitudes in terms of the GRAPH BASIS, and solve the linear relations

$$A(1, 2, 3, 4) = \frac{n_s}{s} + \frac{n_t}{t} \Rightarrow$$

$$n_t \equiv t \times \left( A_4(1, 2, 3, 4) - \frac{n_s}{s} \right)$$

Note residual gauge freedom in:  $\mathbf{n}_s$

- This is it--you have a duality-satisfying representation.

(symmetric is trickier -- functional relations)



# Features:

- Completely straightforward solution of linear relations  
(trickiest bit is drawing graphs)
- Makes all residual gauge-freedom manifest: gauge freedom = completely unconstrained numerator functions.  
(can use to, e.g. make symmetric numerator functions)
- Amplitude encoded results  $\Rightarrow$  independent of dimension and helicity structure

**Aside:** Interestingly enough 4-pt kinematics satisfying Jacobi first noticed by Zhu; Goebel, Halzen, Leveille in early 80's looking at a mysterious "radiation zero" in an electroweak process



Since '08 there have been many interesting ways of  
writing down tree-level color-kinematic satisfying  
numerators

Rearranging the Lagrangian:

Bern, Dennen, Huang, Kiermaier '10

Teasing c-k numerators out of

Kiermaier '10

KLT:

Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Sondegaard, Vanhove '10

String-insight & pure spinors:

Mafra, Schlotterer, Stieberger '11  
- See Schlotterer's talk

Self-dual understanding  $\rightarrow$  MHV:

Montiero, O'Connell '11

Constructing effective field theories:

Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Monteiro, O'Connell '12

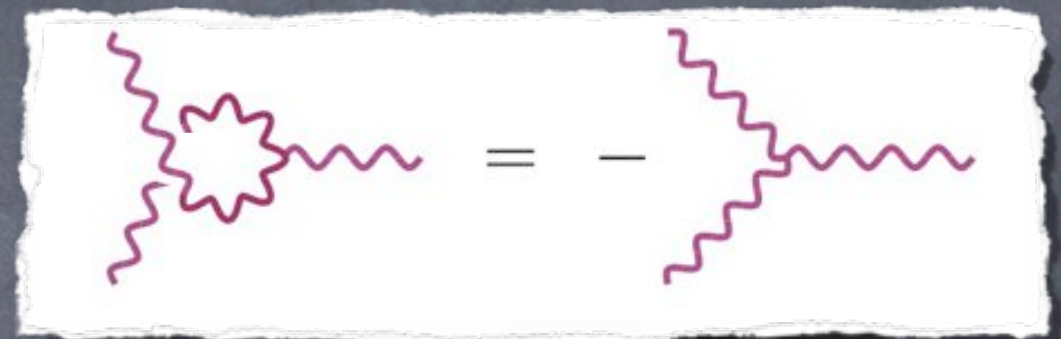
Applying loop-methods:

Broedel, JJMC '11

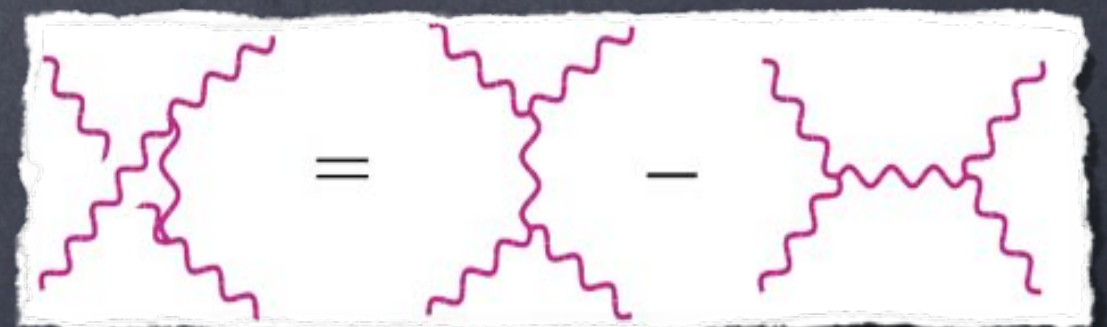


# Graph rep at tree level

- Antisymmetry of kinematic numerators makes manifest  $(n-2)!$  basis relations (Kleiss Kuijf relations) between color ordered amplitudes



- After full color-kinematic duality imposed (kinematic Jacobi), makes manifest a  $(n-3)!$  basis





In new representations it's clear only  $(n-3)!$  independent color-ordered tree partial-amplitudes for  $n$ -point interaction.

e.g. 5 pt has 2 indep. color-ordered amps not 6:

$$A_5^{\text{tree}}(12345) \quad A_5^{\text{tree}}(12354)$$

6 pt has 6 indep. color-ordered amps not 12:

$$\begin{aligned} &A_6^{\text{tree}}(123456) \quad A_6^{\text{tree}}(123564) \quad A_6^{\text{tree}}(123645) \\ &A_6^{\text{tree}}(123546) \quad A_6^{\text{tree}}(123465) \quad A_6^{\text{tree}}(123654) \end{aligned}$$

Conjectured a general formula expressing any  $n$ -point color ordered amplitude in terms of chosen  $(n-3)!$  basis for SYM.



Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Vanhove '09; Stieberger '09

Monodromy relations in open string leads to string generalization of  $(n-2)!$  Kleiss-Kuijf and  $(n-3)!$  relations and thus string proof of field theory relations as real and imaginary parts with  $\alpha' \rightarrow 0$

$$A(1, 2, \dots, N) + e^{i\pi s_{12}} A(2, 1, 3, \dots, N-1, N) + e^{i\pi(s_{12}+s_{13})} A(2, 3, 1, \dots, N-1, N) \\ + \dots + e^{i\pi(s_{12}+s_{13}+\dots+s_{1N-1})} A(2, 3, \dots, N-1, 1, N) = 0$$

Real part yields Kleiss-Kuijf  $(n-2)!$ :

$$A_{YM}(1, 2, \dots, N) + A_{YM}(2, 1, 3, \dots, N-1, N) + \dots + A_{YM}(2, 3, \dots, N-1, 1, N) = 0$$

Imaginary part yields  $(n-3)!$  :

$$s_{12} A_{YM}(2, 1, 3, \dots, N-1, N) + \dots + (s_{12} + s_{13} + \dots + s_{1N-1}) A(2, 3, \dots, N-1, 1, N) = 0$$

Feng, (R) Huang, Jia '10; Jia, (R) Huang, Liu '10; Cachazo '12

Bringing power of BCFW to bear, direct all multiplicity field theory proofs of  $(n-3)!$  relations.



Mafrà, Schlotterer, Stieberger '11

Understanding the string roots of  $(n-2)!$  and  $(n-3)!$  relations led to **complete pure spinor n-point open-disk amplitude** in terms of color ordered gauge theory amplitudes!

– See Schlotterer's talk

$$\mathcal{A}(1, 2, \dots, N; \alpha') = \sum_{\pi \in S_{N-3}} \mathcal{A}^{\text{YM}}(1, 2_\pi, \dots, (N-2)_\pi, N-1, N) F^\pi(\alpha')$$

- decomposes into  $(N-3)!$  field theory subamplitudes  $\mathcal{A}_{\pi \in S_{N-3}}^{\text{YM}}$
- string effects ( $\alpha'$  dependence) from generalized Euler integrals  $F^\pi(\alpha')$



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New  $(n-3)!$  amplitude relations allowed re-expression of field theory  
KLT in terms of different “basis” amplitudes: Left-right symmetric, etc.

BCJ '08; Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Feng, Søndergaard '10;

These relations allowed proofs of KLT for gravity and gauge amplitudes  
in field theory:

Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Feng, Søndergaard '10; Du, Feng, Fu '11;

Generalized (monodromy) relations allowed rewriting of String Theory  
KLT in closed form: “momentum-kernel”

Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Søndergaard, Vanhove '10



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If you write color-ordered trees in graph expressions with CK satisfying n's will recover:

$$-iM_n^{\text{tree}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \frac{n(\mathcal{G}) \tilde{n}(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$



# Duality for BLG Theory

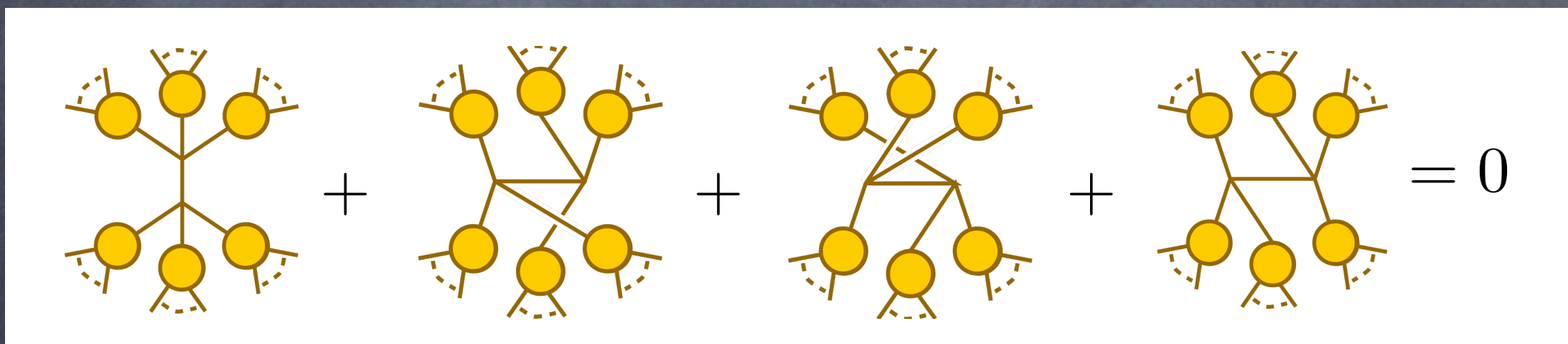
Bagger, Lambert, Gustavsson (BLG)

--also see Schwarz's talk

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

D=3 Chern-Simons gauge theory

Generalized Color-Kinematics identity:


$$= 0$$

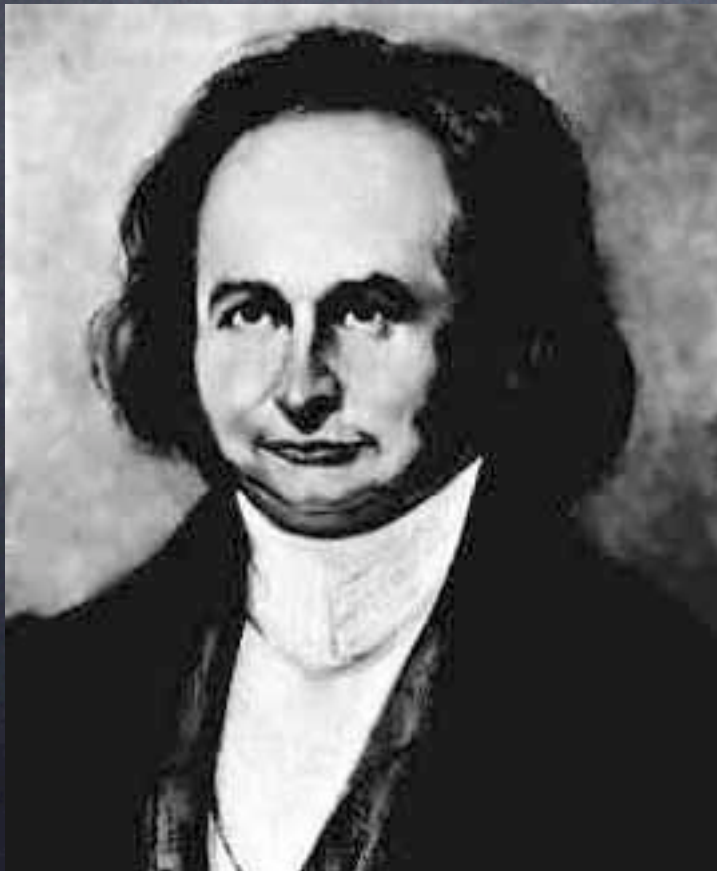
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N=16 SUGRA in 3D of Marcus and Schwarz.

!! Very cool result !!



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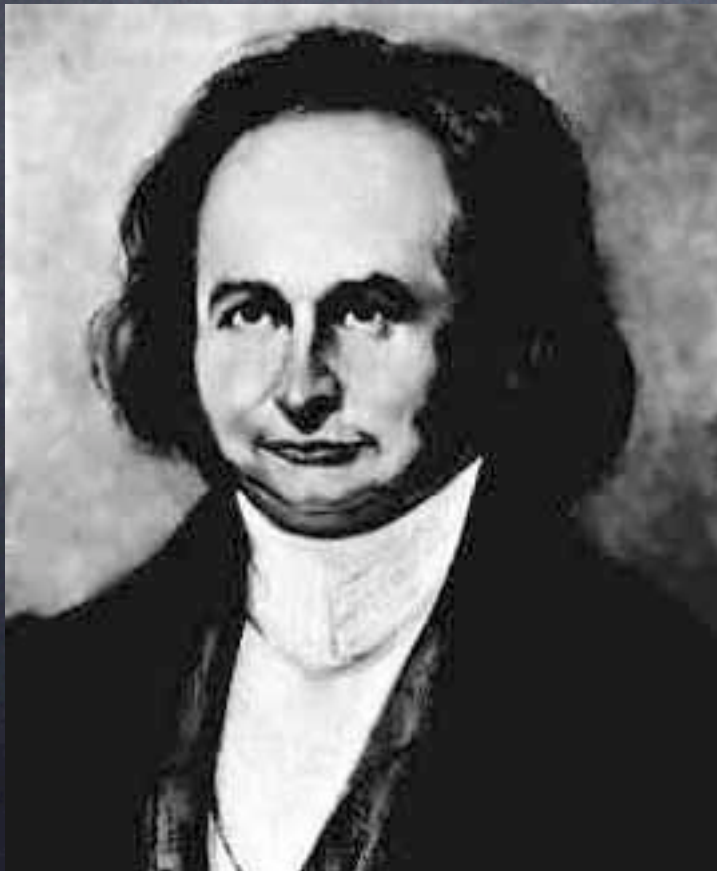
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“One should always  
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# What's the right generalization?

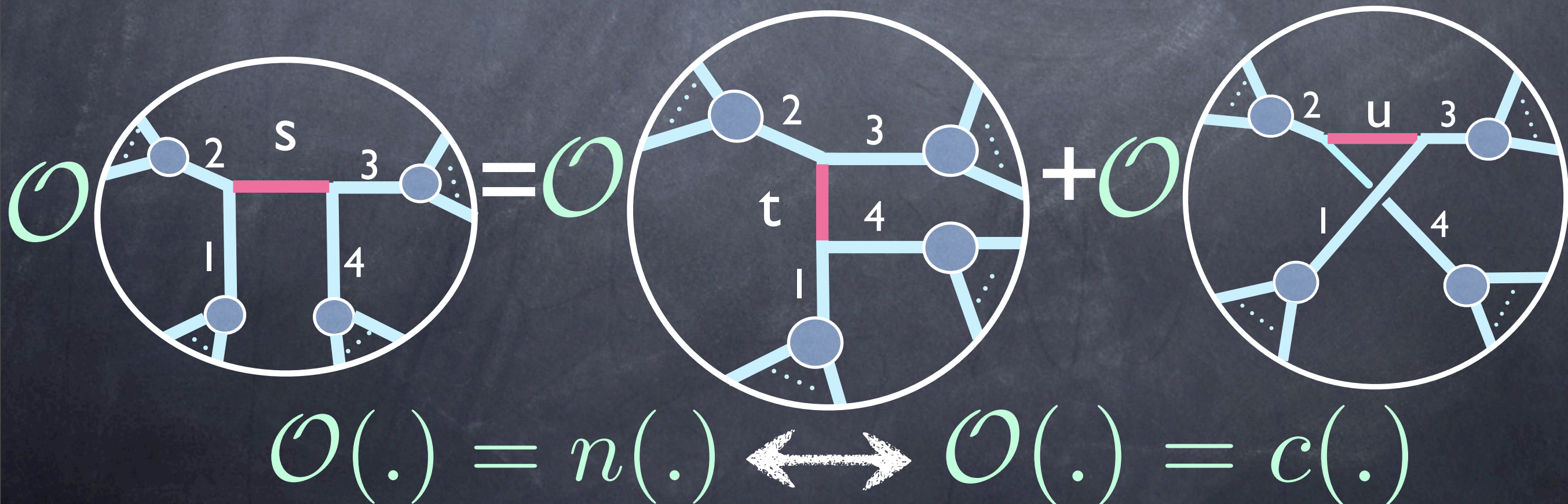
$$\frac{(-i)^L}{g^{n-2+2L}} \mathcal{A}^{\text{loop}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \int \prod_{l=1}^L \frac{d^D p_l}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{1}{S(\mathcal{G})} \frac{n(\mathcal{G}) c(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$

**Hypothesize duality holds unchanged to all loops!**

Representation freedom:

$$n(\mathcal{G}) \rightarrow n(\mathcal{G}) + \Delta(\mathcal{G}), \quad \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \left( \frac{c(\mathcal{G}) \Delta(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})} \right) = 0$$

**Conjecture** there is always a choice of  $\Delta$  such that C-K rep exists.





If conjectured duality can be imposed for:

Gauge:

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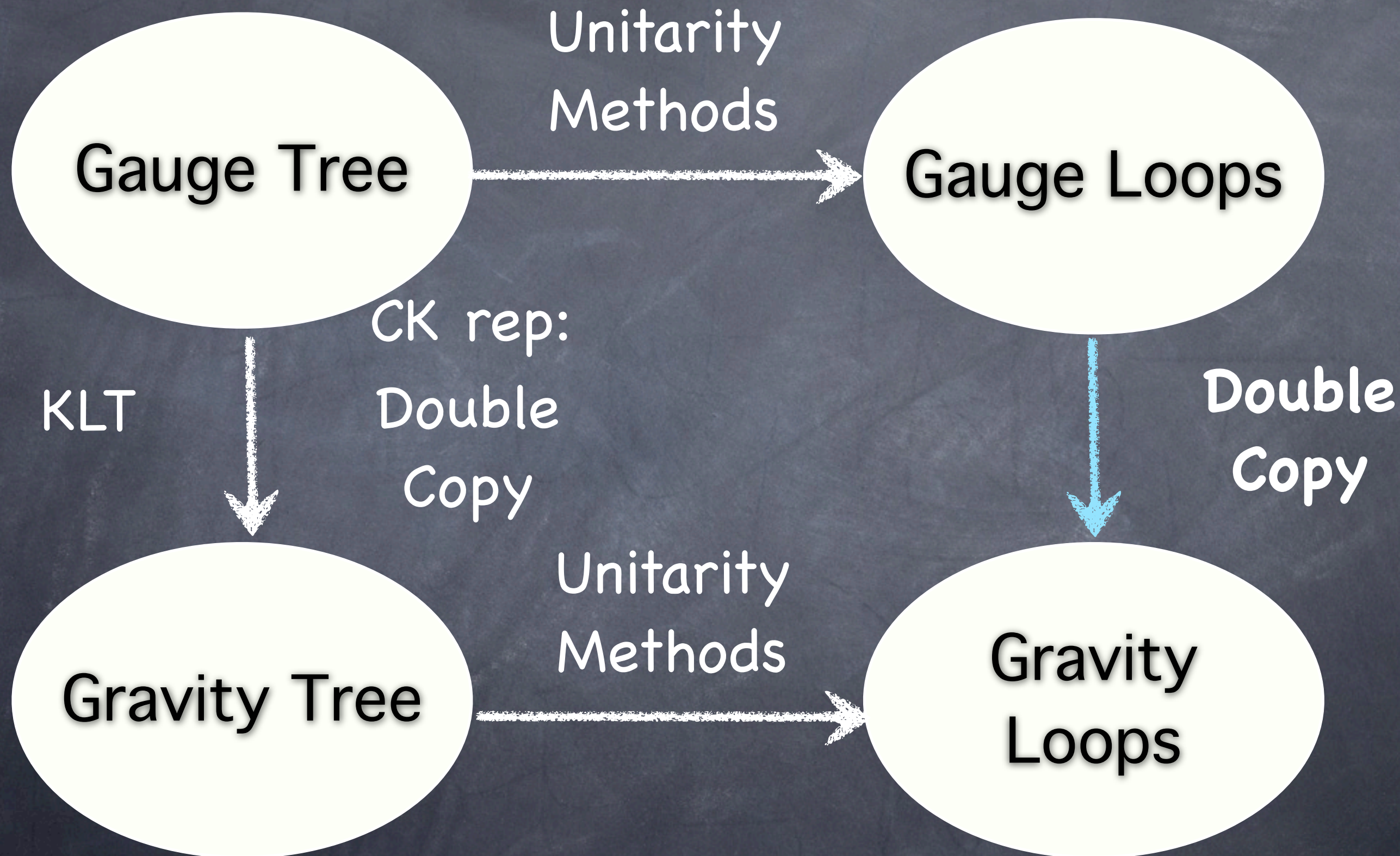
then, through unitarity & tree-level expressions:

Gravity:

$$\frac{(-i)^{L+1}}{(\kappa/2)^{n-2+2L}} \mathcal{M}^{\text{loop}} = \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \int \prod_{l=1}^L \frac{d^D p_l}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{1}{S(\mathcal{G})} \frac{n(\mathcal{G})\tilde{n}(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$

What we always wanted out of “loop level” relations!







We know this works beautifully at 1  
and 2 loops for  $N=4$  and  $N=8$ !

1-loop:  $K^1 \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{3} \quad \text{4} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{1} \quad \text{2} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{4} \quad \text{2} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{1} \quad \text{3} \end{array} \right)$

Green, Schwarz,  
Brink (1982)

2-loop:  $K^1 \left( s^1 \begin{array}{c} \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \end{array} + s^1 \begin{array}{c} \text{3} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{1} \quad \text{2} \quad \text{4} \end{array} + \text{perms} \right)$

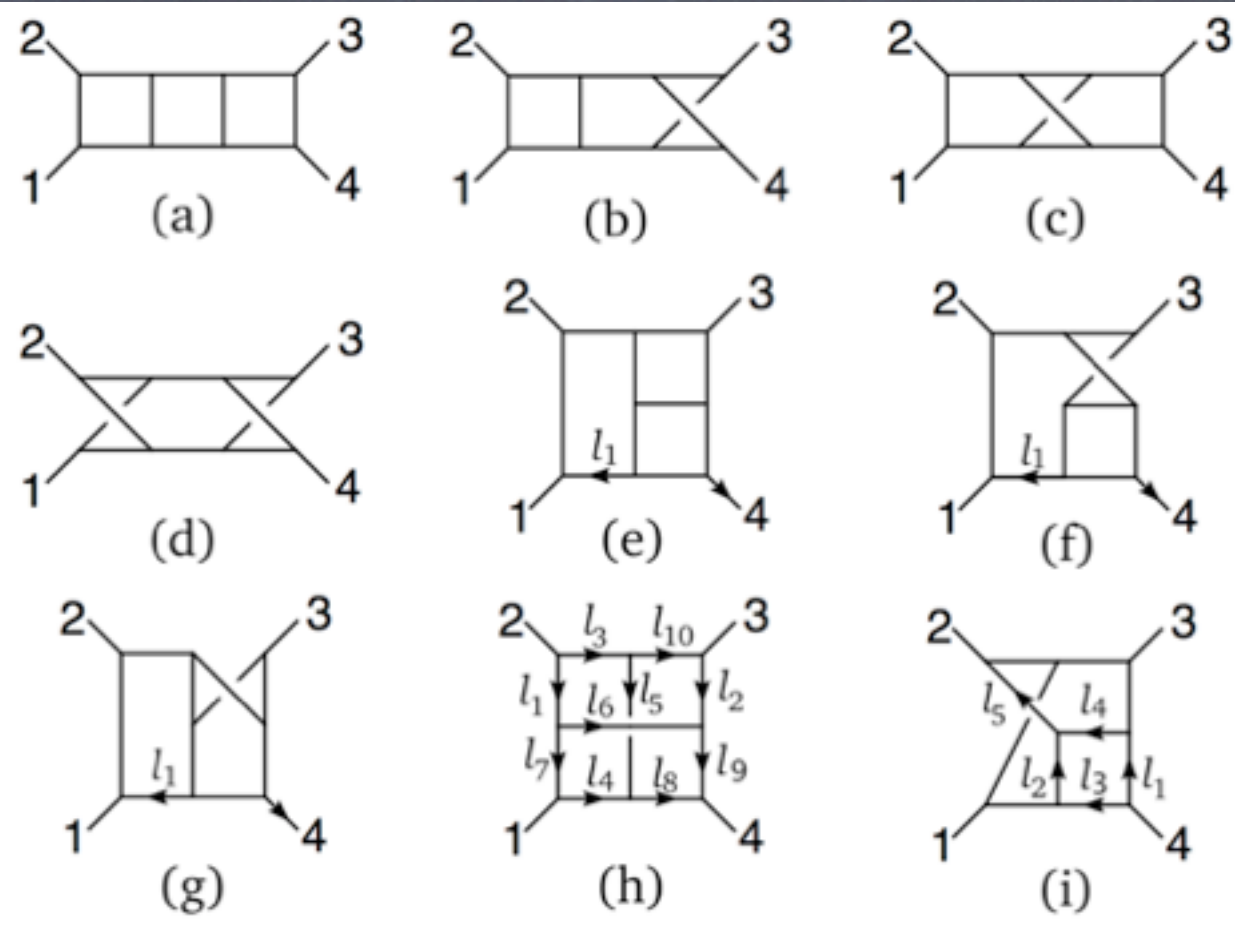
Bern, Dixon,  
Dunbar, Perelstein  
and Rozowsky  
(1998)

prefactor contains  
helicity structure:

$$K = stA_4^{\text{tree}}$$

Duality:  $\mathcal{N}=8$  sugra is obtained if  $1 \rightarrow 2$  “numerator squaring”





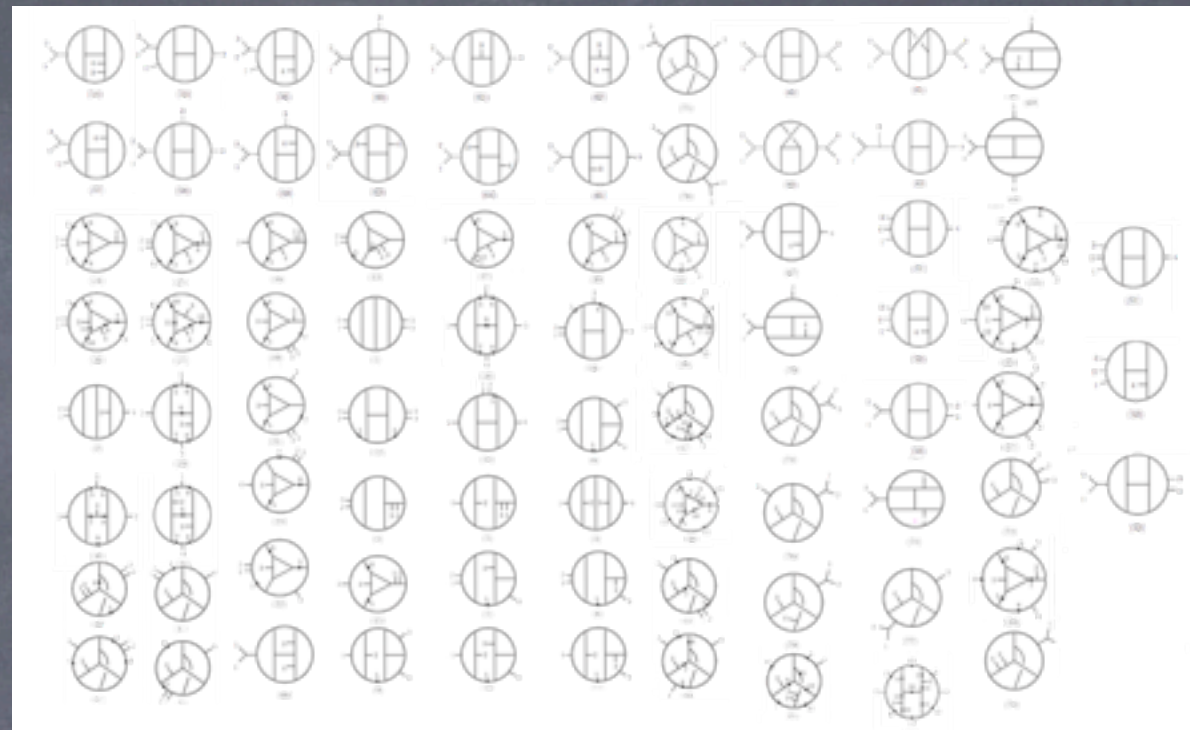
# Original solution of three-loop four-point $\mathcal{N}=4$ sYM and $\mathcal{N}=8$ sugra

Integral	$\mathcal{N} = 4$ Yang-Mills	$\mathcal{N} = 8$ Supergravity
(a)–(d)	$s^2$	$[s^2]^2$
(e)–(g)	$s(l_1 + k_4)^2$	$[s(l_1 + k_4)^2]^2$
(h)	$s(l_1 + l_2)^2 + t(l_3 + l_4)^2 - sl_5^2 - tl_6^2 - st$	$(s(l_1 + l_2)^2 + t(l_3 + l_4)^2 - st)^2 - s^2(2((l_1 + l_2)^2 - t) + l_5^2)l_5^2 - t^2(2((l_3 + l_4)^2 - s) + l_6^2)l_6^2 - s^2(2l_7^2l_2^2 + 2l_1^2l_9^2 + l_2^2l_9^2 + l_1^2l_7^2) - t^2(2l_3^2l_8^2 + 2l_{10}^2l_4^2 + l_8^2l_4^2 + l_3^2l_{10}^2) + 2stl_5^2l_6^2$
(i)	$s(l_1 + l_2)^2 - t(l_3 + l_4)^2 - \frac{1}{3}(s - t)l_5^2$	$(s(l_1 + l_2)^2 - t(l_3 + l_4)^2)^2 - (s^2(l_1 + l_2)^2 + t^2(l_3 + l_4)^2 + \frac{1}{3}stu)l_5^2$



# Recipe for finding $\Delta$ so dressings satisfy duality:

- Every edge represents a set of constraints on functional form of the numerators of the graphs. Small fraction needed.

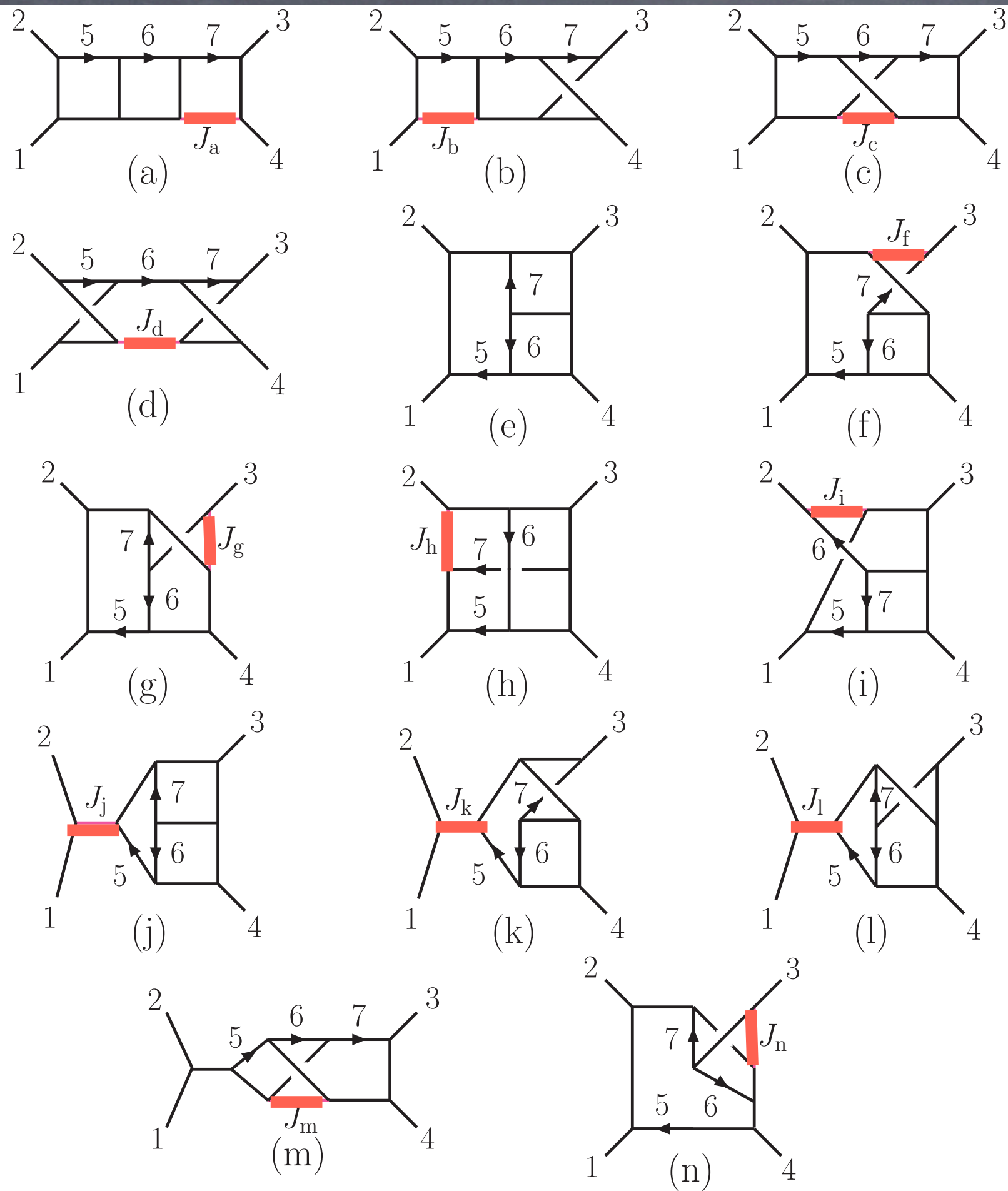


$$n(\text{graph with edge } s) = n(\text{graph with edge } u) + n(\text{graph with edge } t)$$

The diagram shows three circular Feynman graphs. The first graph on the left has a horizontal internal edge labeled 's' (highlighted in red) connecting two vertices. The second graph in the middle has a horizontal internal edge labeled 'u' (highlighted in red) connecting two vertices. The third graph on the right has a vertical internal edge labeled 't' (highlighted in red) connecting two vertices. The equations relate the number of terms in the numerator of these graphs.

- Find the independent numerators (solve the linear equations!)
- Build ansatz for such "masters" graph numerators using functions seen on exploratory cuts
- Impose relevant symmetries
- Fit to the theory!







$$N^{(a)} = N^{(b)}(k_1, k_2, k_3, l_5, l_6, l_7), \quad (J_a)$$

$$N^{(b)} = N^{(d)}(k_1, k_2, k_3, l_5, l_6, l_7), \quad (J_b)$$

$$N^{(c)} = N^{(a)}(k_1, k_2, k_3, l_5, l_6, l_7), \quad (J_c)$$

$$N^{(d)} = N^{(h)}(k_3, k_1, k_2, l_7, l_6, k_{1,3} - l_5 + l_6 - l_7) \\ + N^{(h)}(k_3, k_2, k_1, l_7, l_6, k_{2,3} + l_5 - l_7), \quad (J_d)$$

$$N^{(f)} = N^{(e)}(k_1, k_2, k_3, l_5, l_6, l_7), \quad (J_f)$$

$$N^{(g)} = N^{(e)}(k_1, k_2, k_3, l_5, l_6, l_7), \quad (J_g)$$

$$N^{(h)} = -N^{(g)}(k_1, k_2, k_3, l_5, l_6, k_{1,2} - l_5 - l_7) \\ - N^{(i)}(k_4, k_3, k_2, l_6 - l_5, l_5 - l_6 + l_7 - k_{1,2}, l_6), \quad (J_h)$$

$$N^{(i)} = N^{(e)}(k_1, k_2, k_3, l_5, l_7, l_6) \\ - N^{(e)}(k_3, k_2, k_1, -k_4 - l_5 - l_6, -l_6 - l_7, l_6), \quad (J_i)$$

$$N^{(j)} = N^{(e)}(k_1, k_2, k_3, l_5, l_6, l_7) - N^{(e)}(k_2, k_1, k_3, l_5, l_6, l_7), \quad (J_j)$$

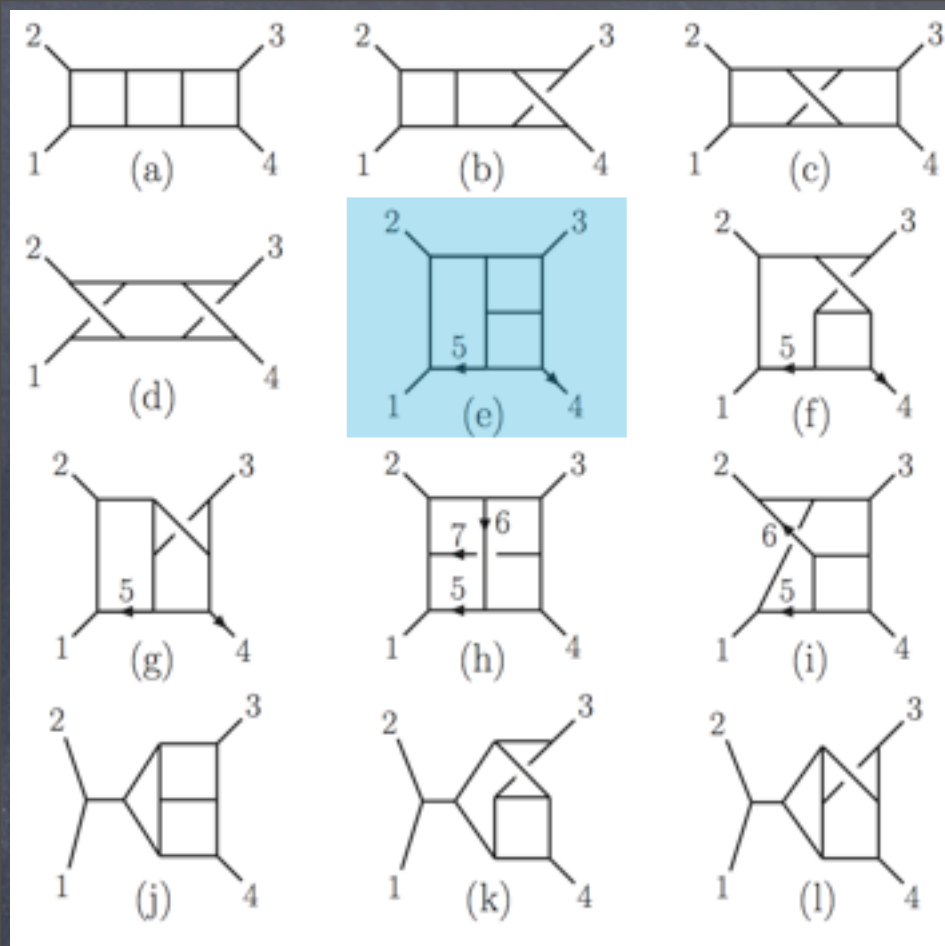
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$$N^{(l)} = N^{(g)}(k_1, k_2, k_3, l_5, l_6, l_7) - N^{(g)}(k_2, k_1, k_3, l_5, l_6, l_7), \quad (J_l)$$

$$N^{(m)} = 0, \quad (J_m)$$

$$N^{(n)} = 0, \quad (J_n)$$





**Only, e.g., require maximal cut information of (e) graph to build full amplitude!**

$$s = (k_1 + k_2)^2 \quad t = (k_1 + k_4)^2 \quad u = (k_1 + k_3)^2 \quad \tau_{i,j} = 2k_i \cdot l_j$$

Integral $I^{(x)}$	$\mathcal{N} = 4$ 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)	$(s(2\tau_{15} - \tau_{16} + 2\tau_{26} - \tau_{27} + 2\tau_{35} + \tau_{36} + \tau_{37} - u) + t(\tau_{16} + \tau_{26} - \tau_{37} + 2\tau_{36} - 2\tau_{15} - 2\tau_{27} - 2\tau_{35} - 3\tau_{17}) + s^2)/3$
(i)	$(s(-\tau_{25} - \tau_{26} - \tau_{35} + \tau_{36} + \tau_{45} + 2t) + t(\tau_{26} + \tau_{35} + 2\tau_{36} + 2\tau_{45} + 3\tau_{46}) + u\tau_{25} + s^2)/3$
(j)–(l)	$s(t - u)/3$



Note:

BOTH  $N=4$  sYM and  $N=8$  sugra  
manifestly have same overall  
powercounting!

$$s = (k_1 + k_2)^2 \quad t = (k_1 + k_4)^2 \quad u = (k_1 + k_3)^2 \quad \tau_{i,j} = 2\kappa_i \cdot l_j$$

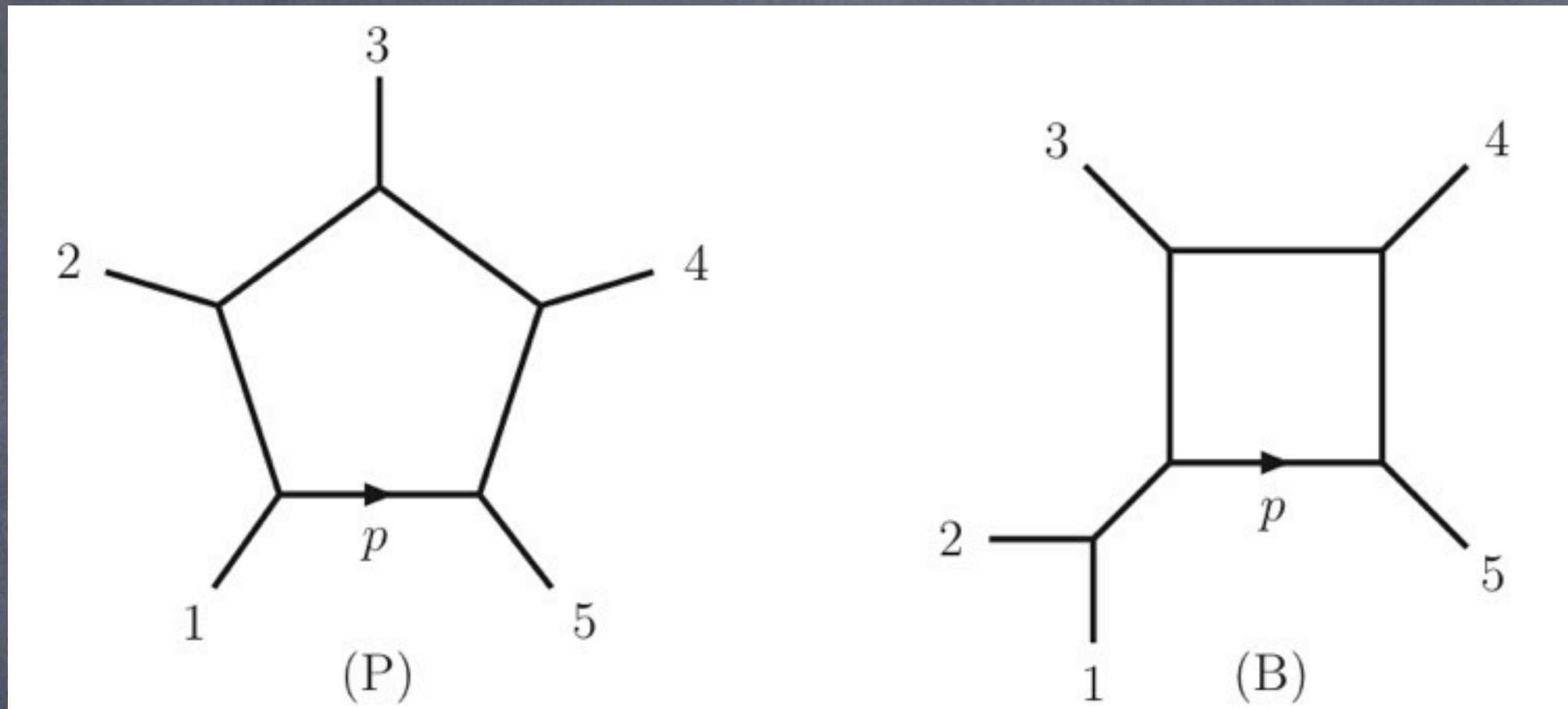
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# Other Loop Level Examples



# Five point 1-loop N=4 SYM & N=8 SUGRA

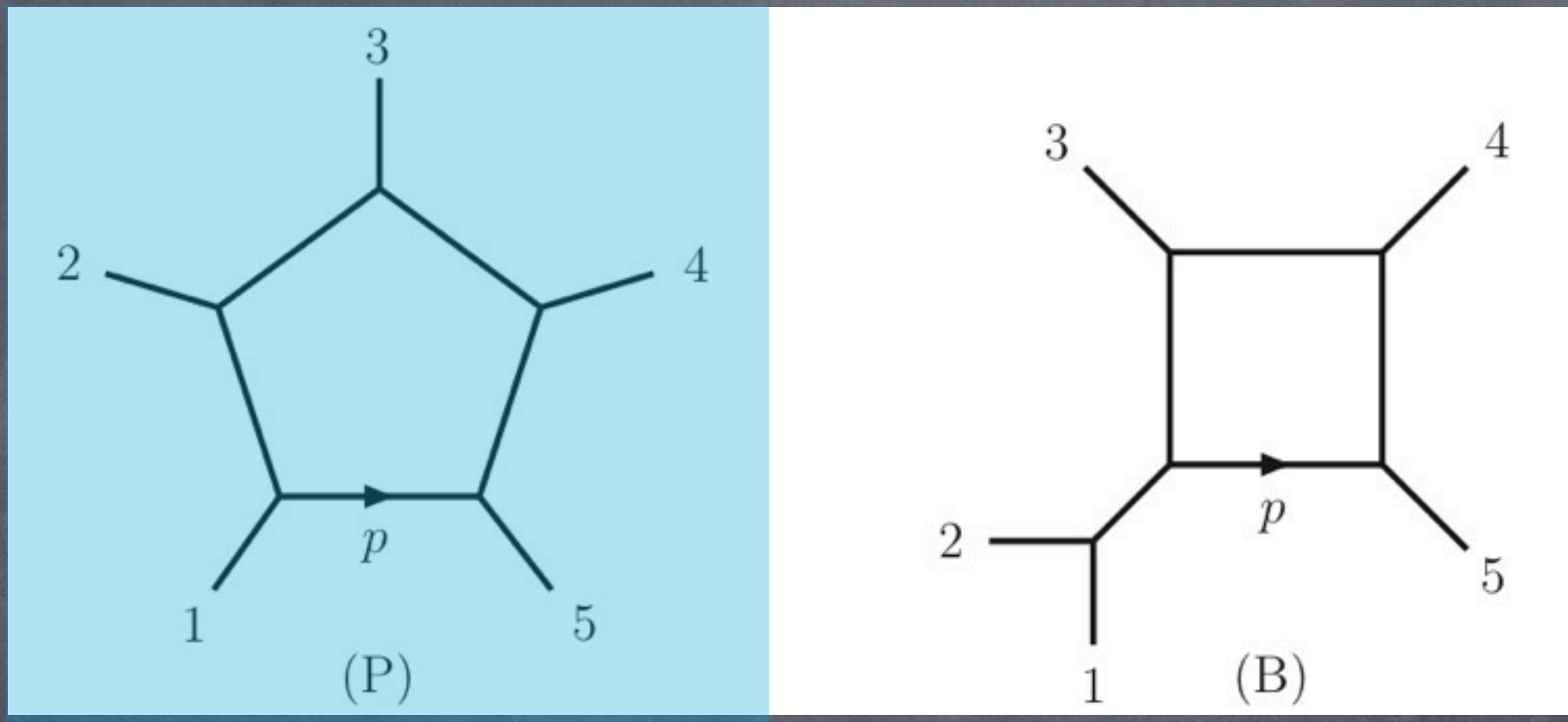


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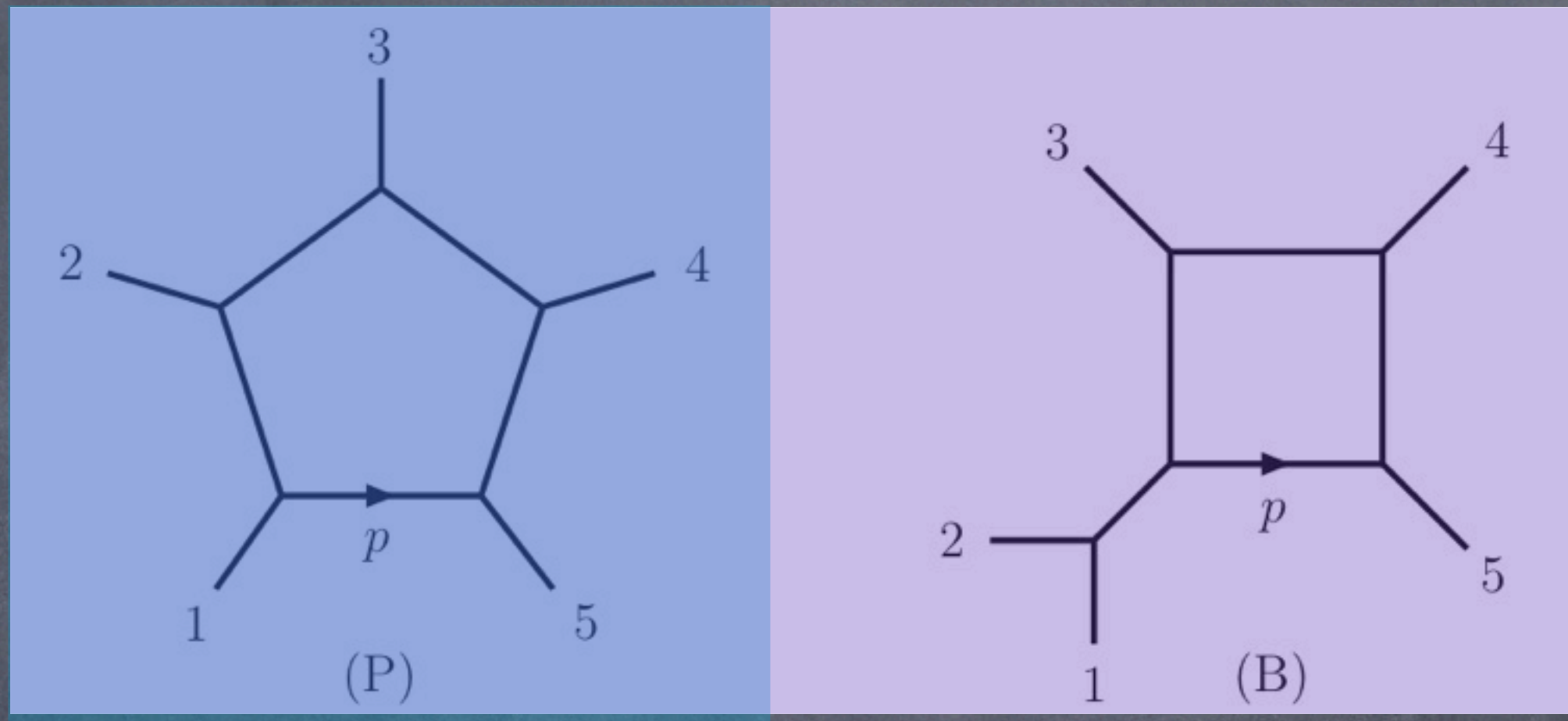


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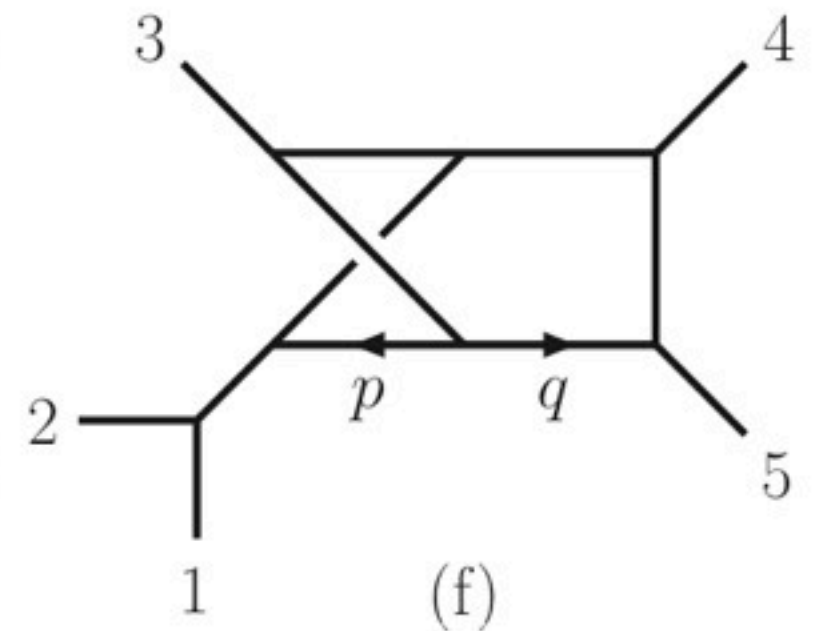
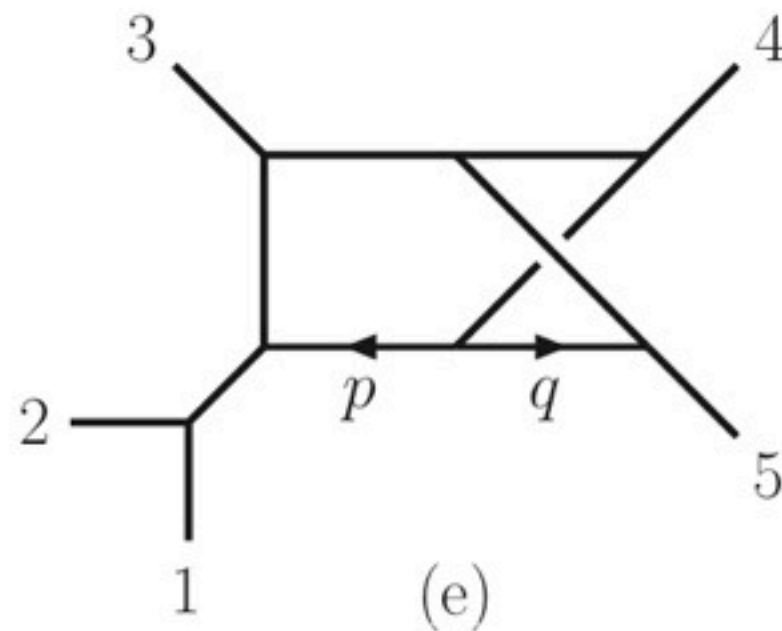
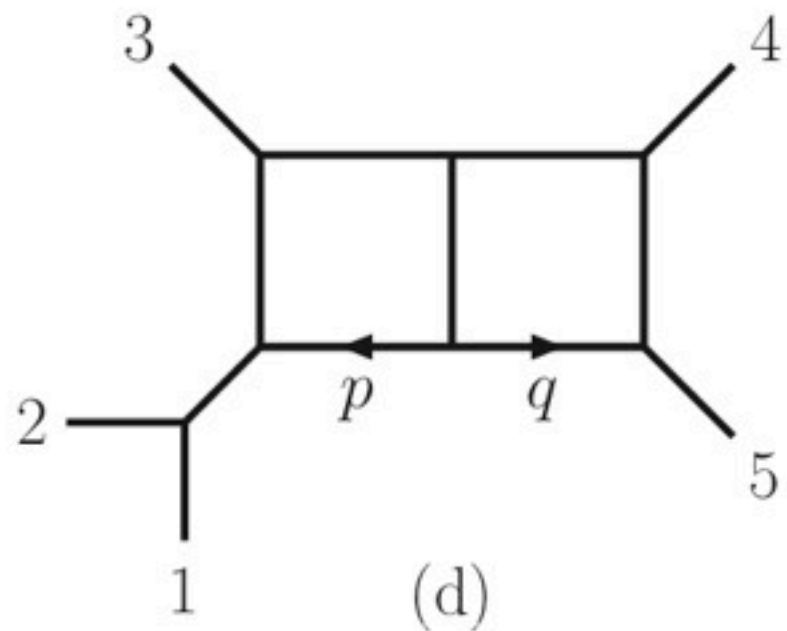
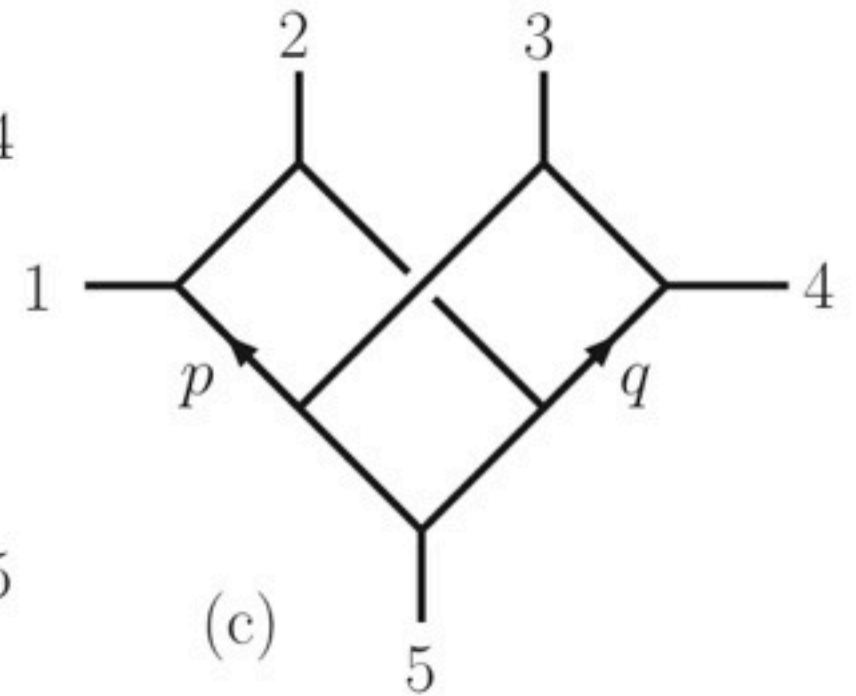
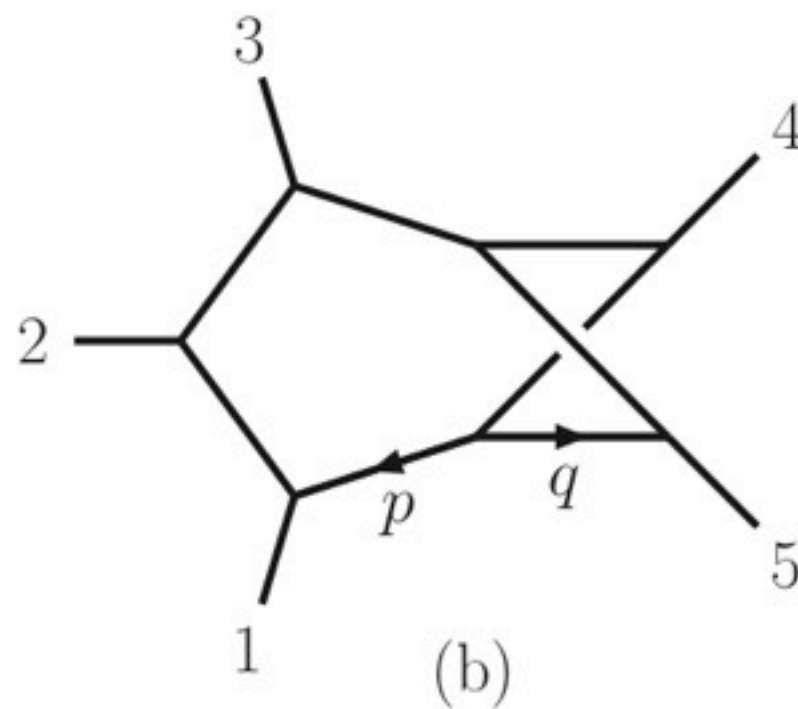
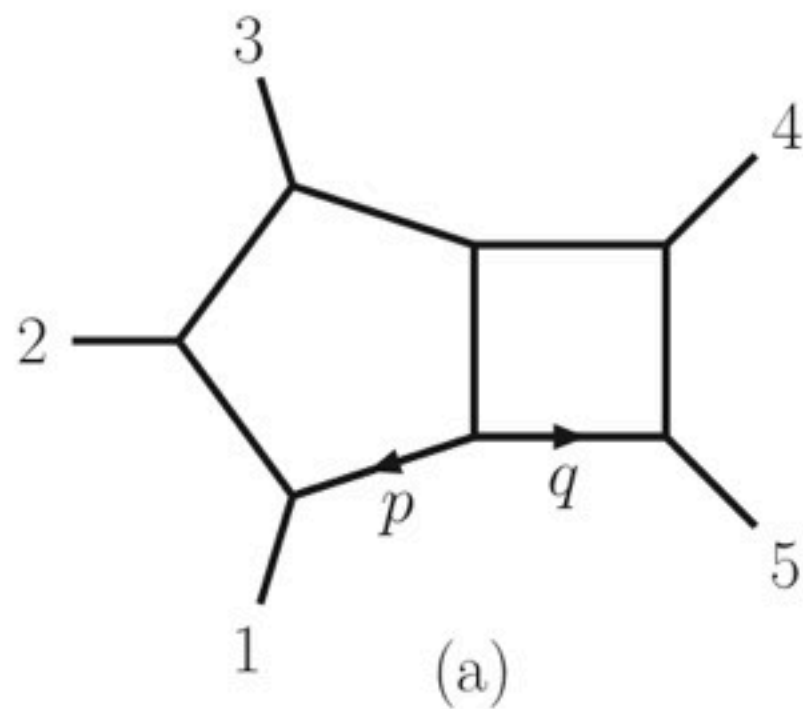


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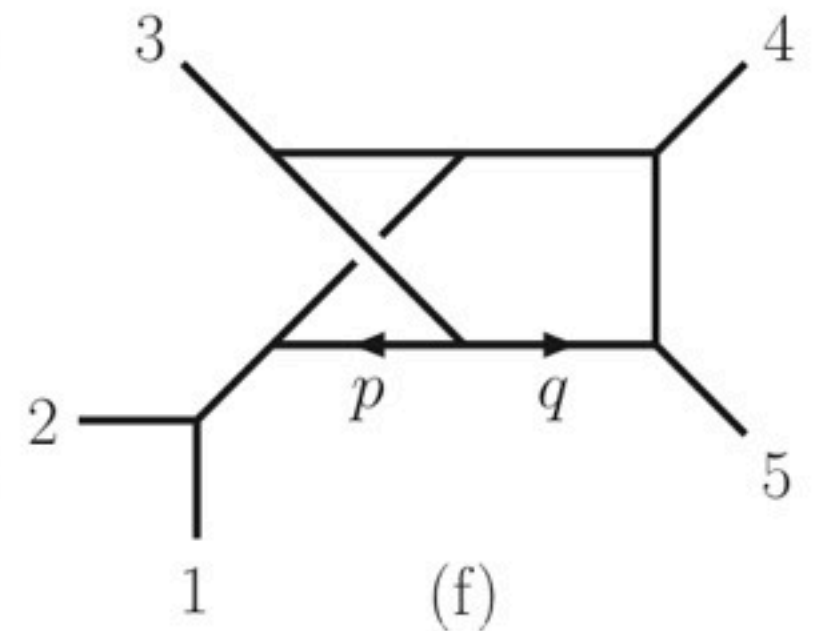
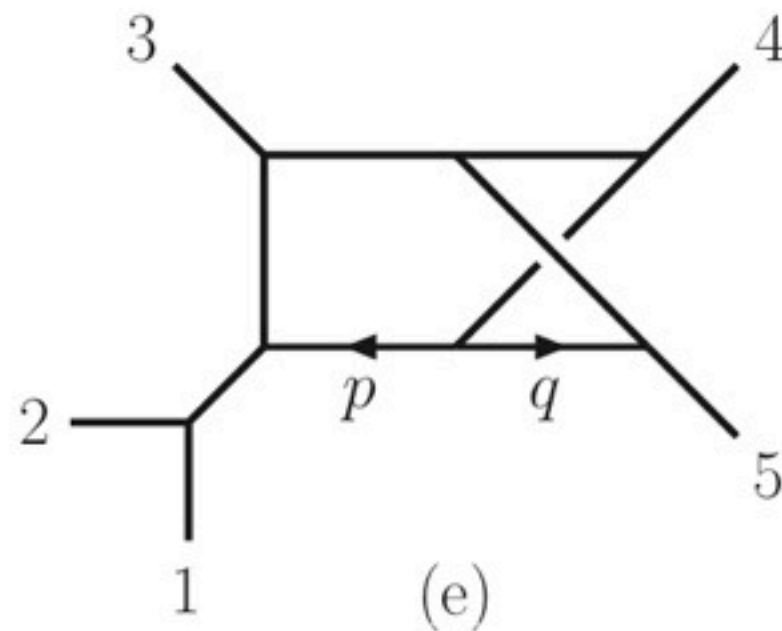
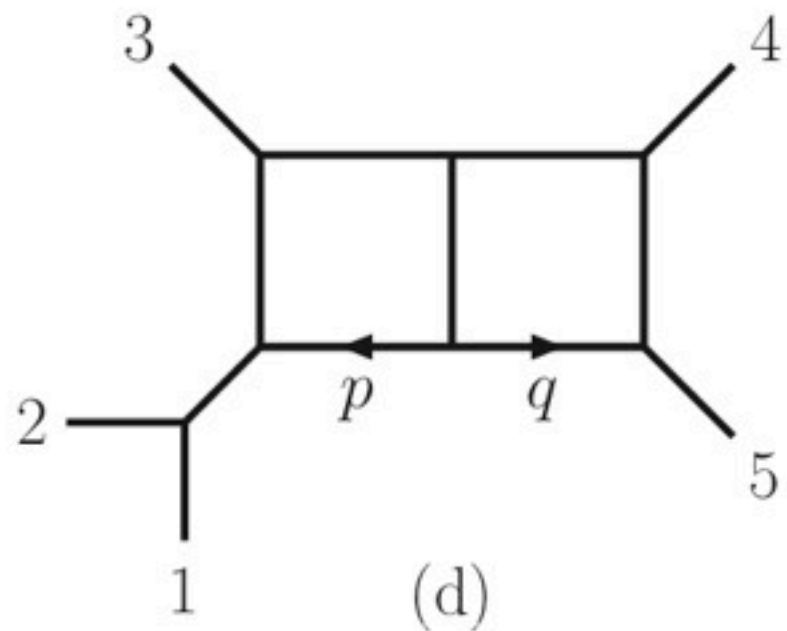
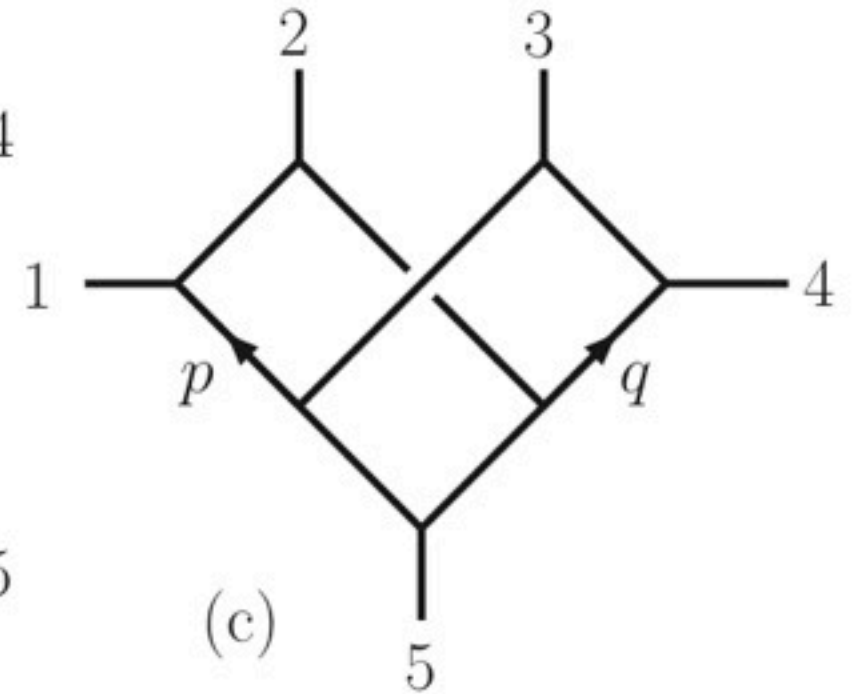
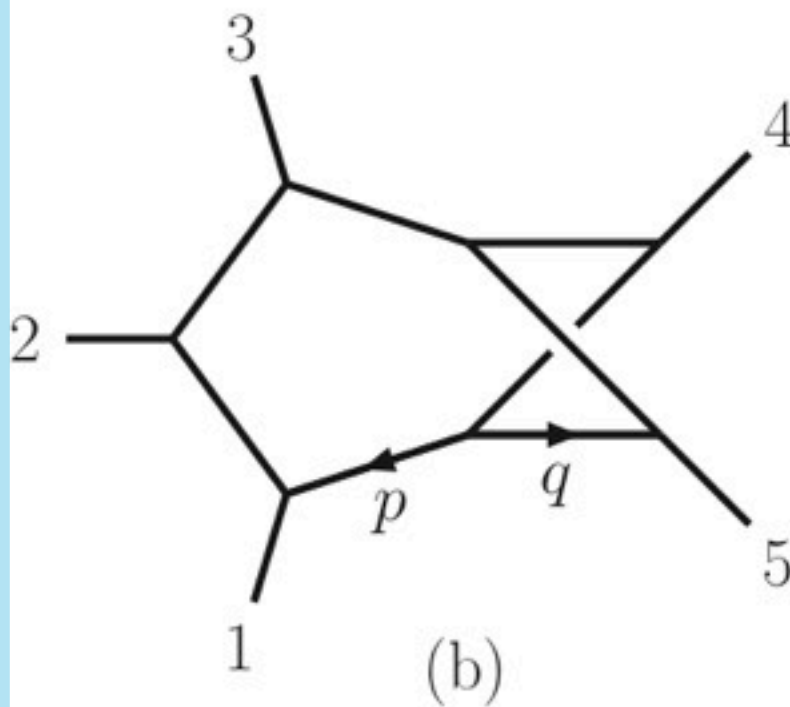
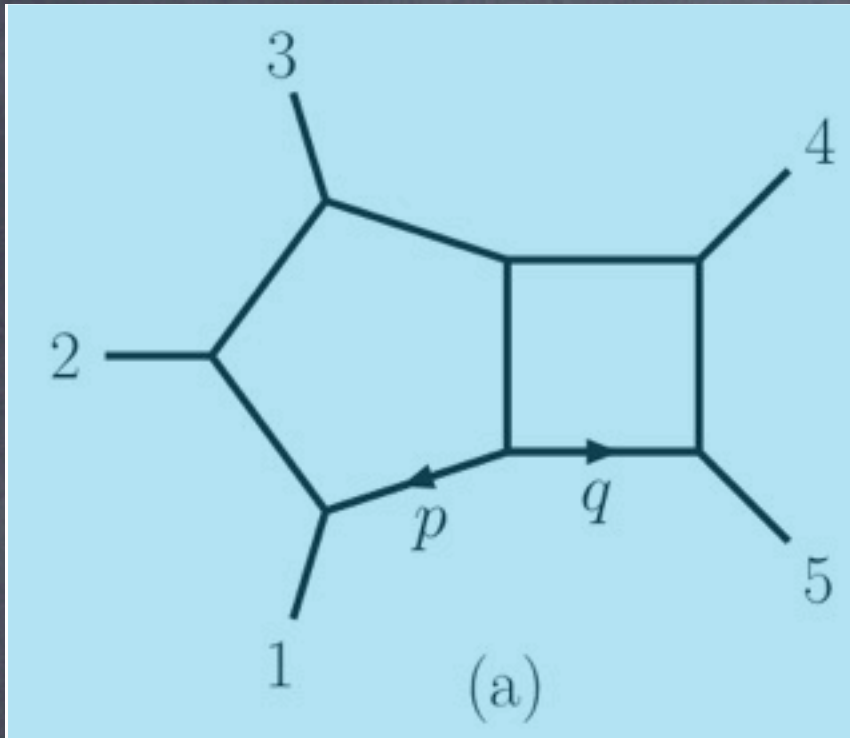


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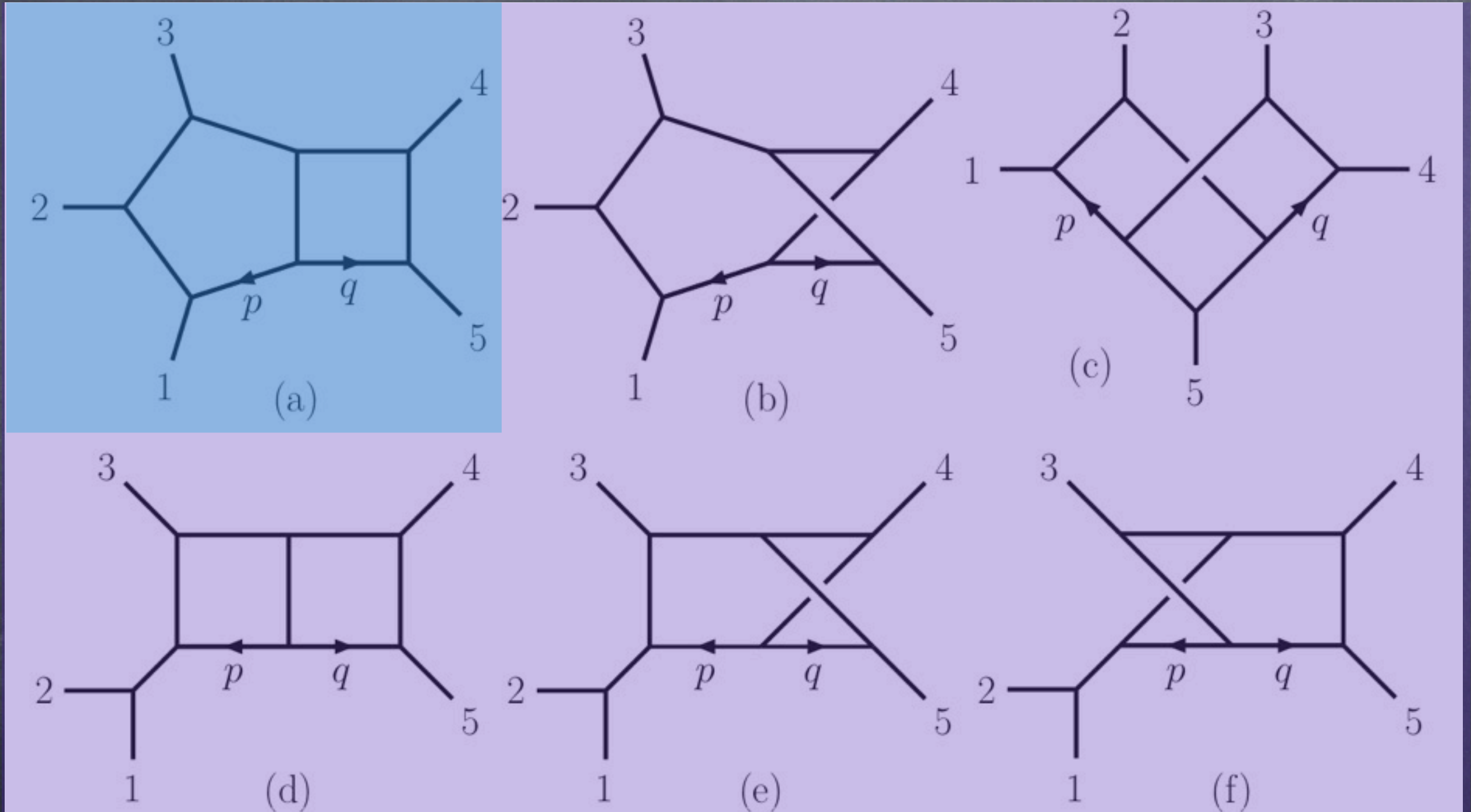


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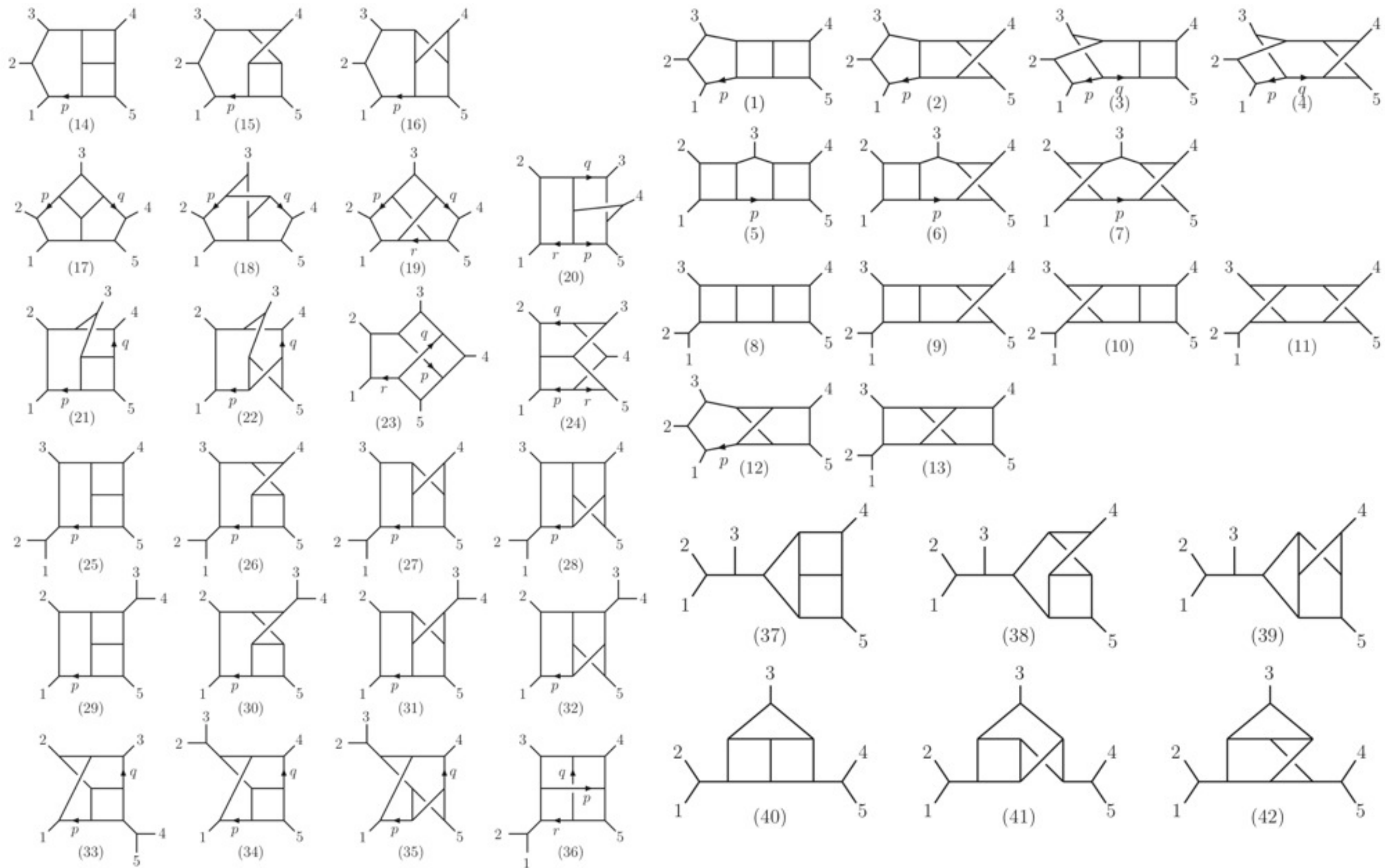
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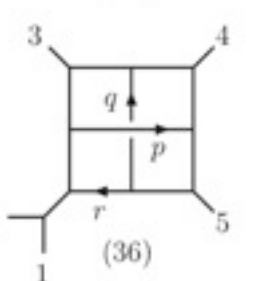
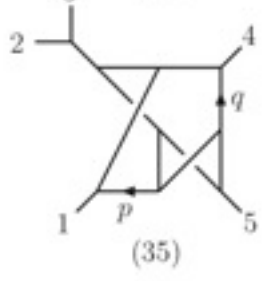
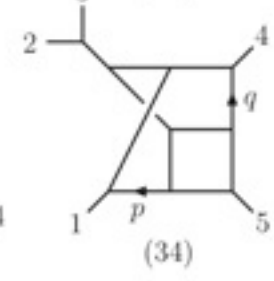
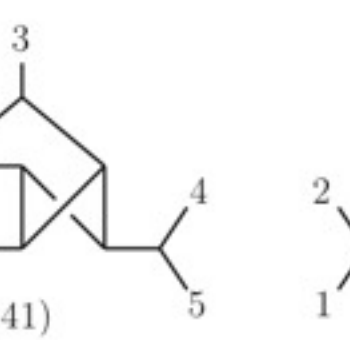
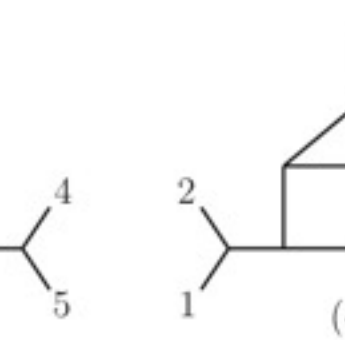
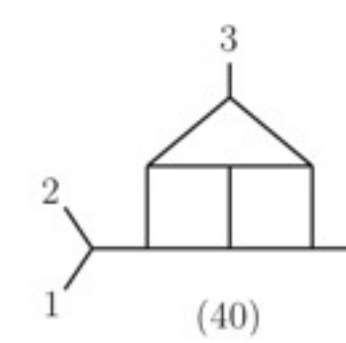
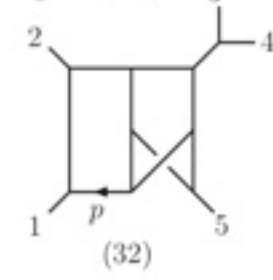
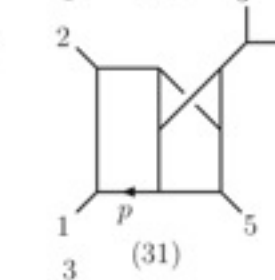
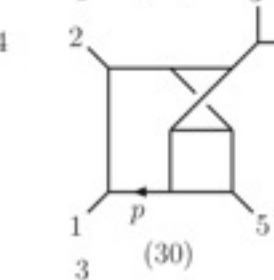
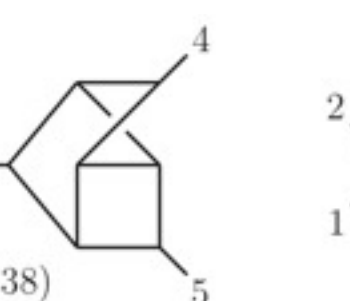
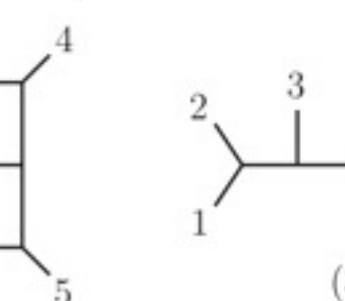
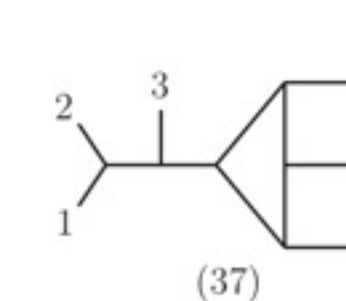
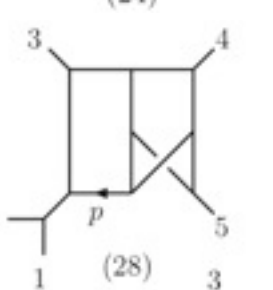
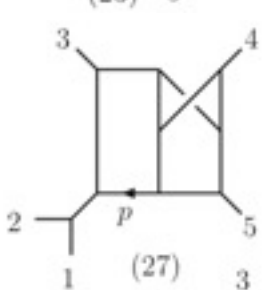
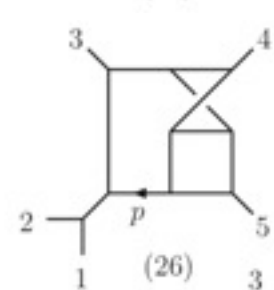
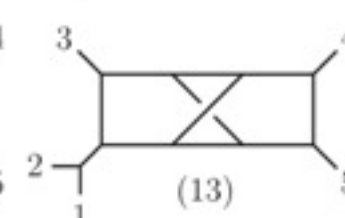
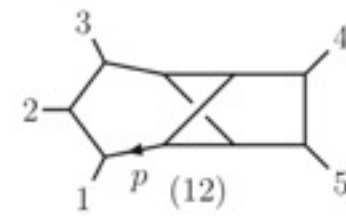
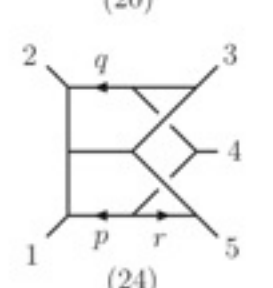
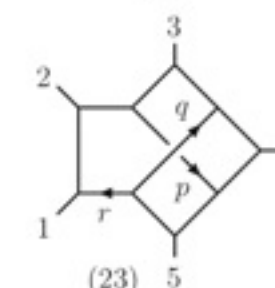
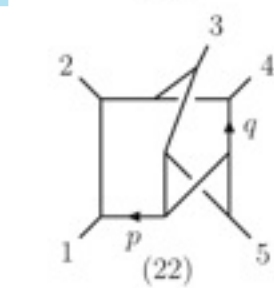
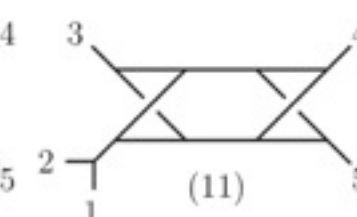
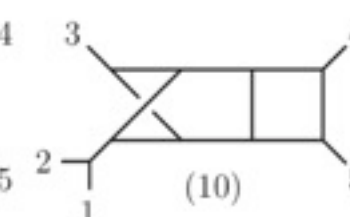
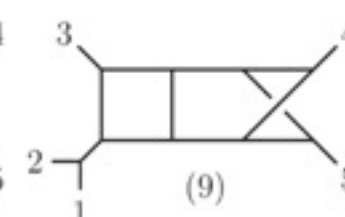
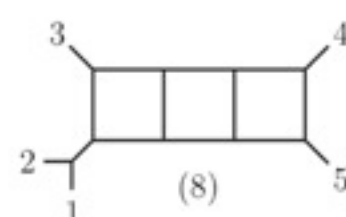
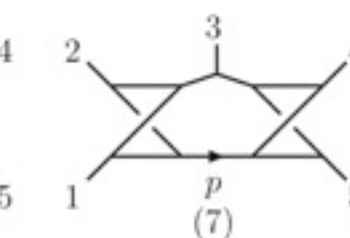
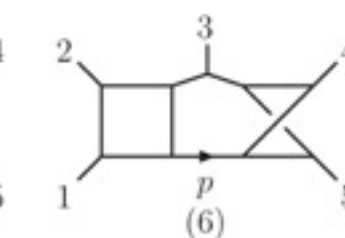
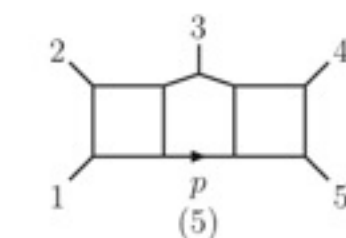
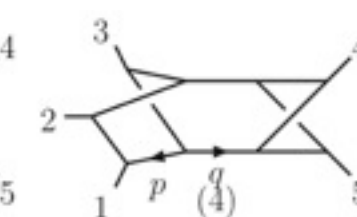
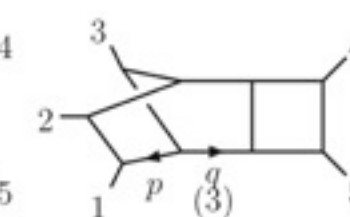
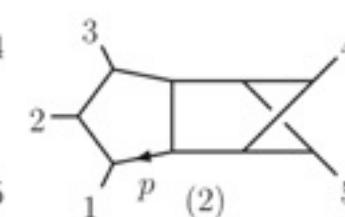
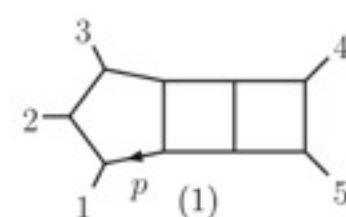
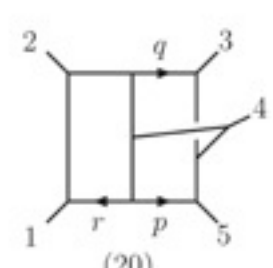
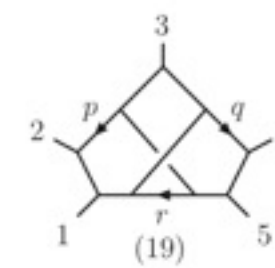
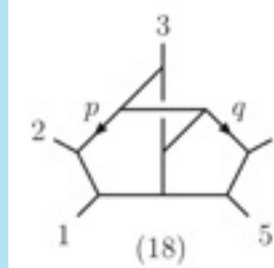
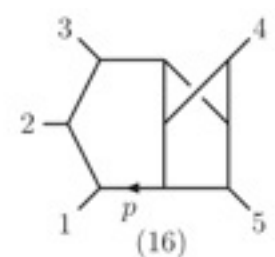
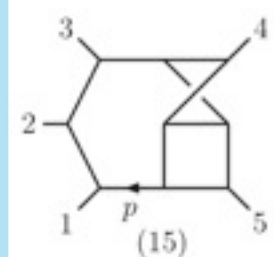
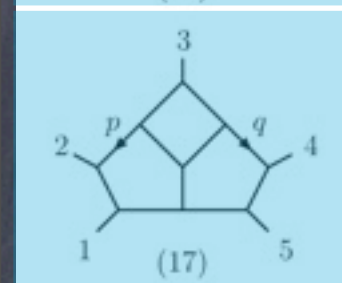
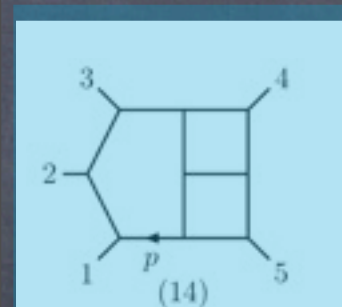
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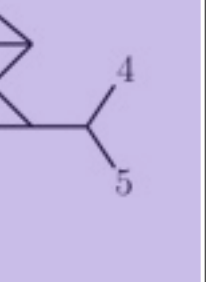
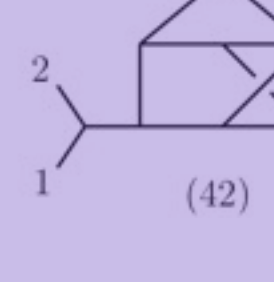
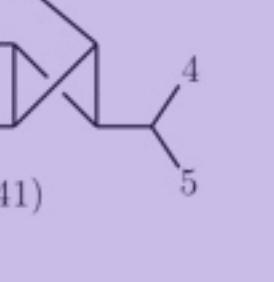
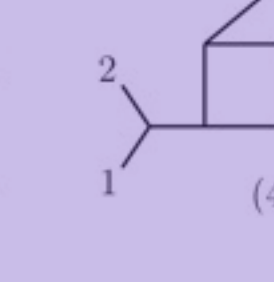
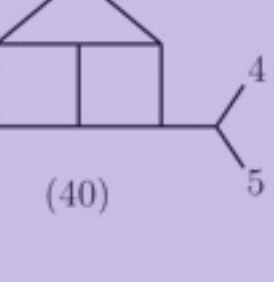
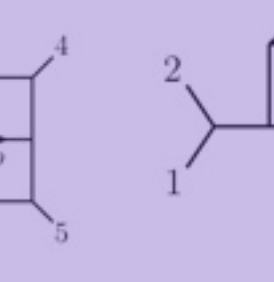
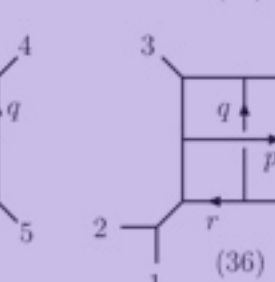
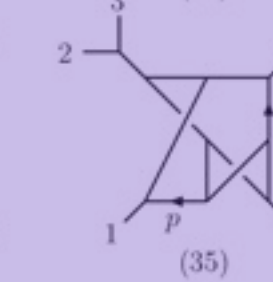
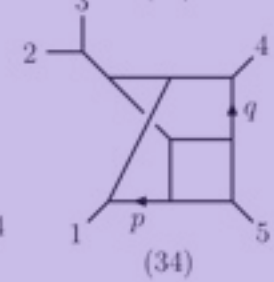
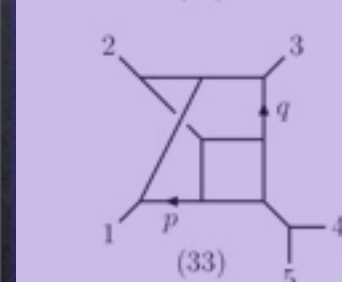
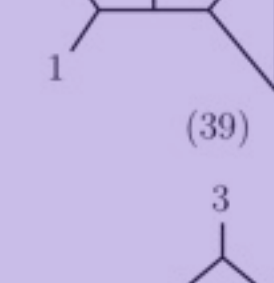
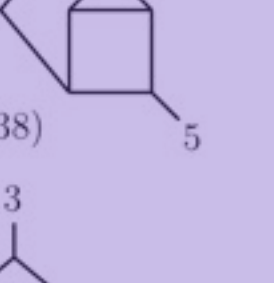
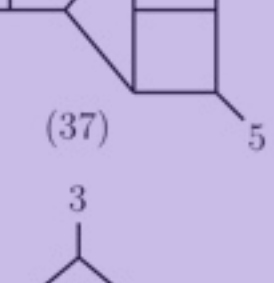
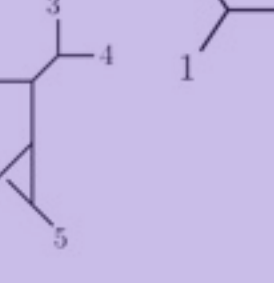
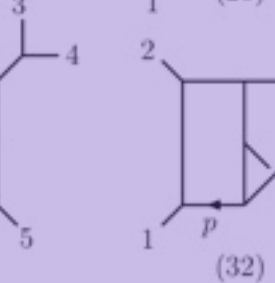
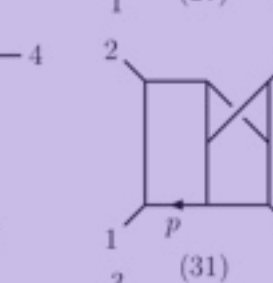
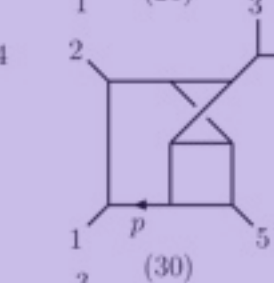
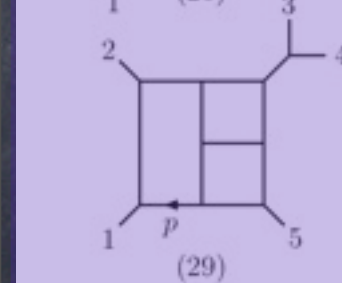
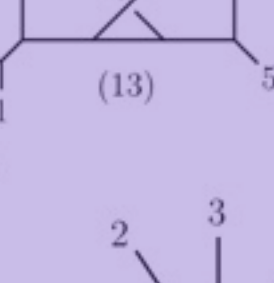
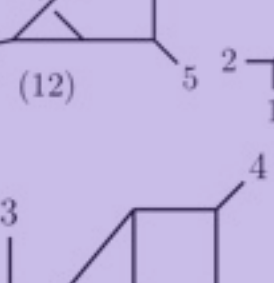
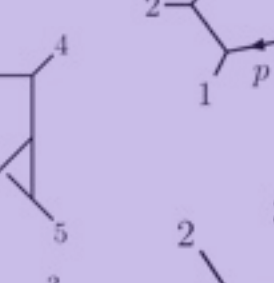
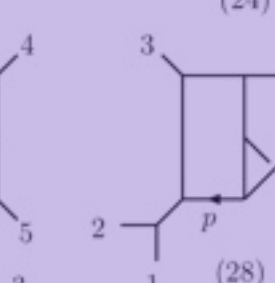
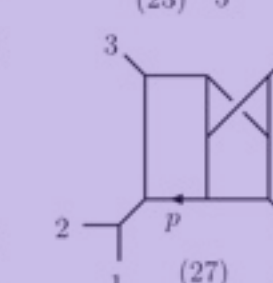
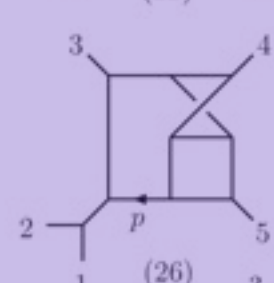
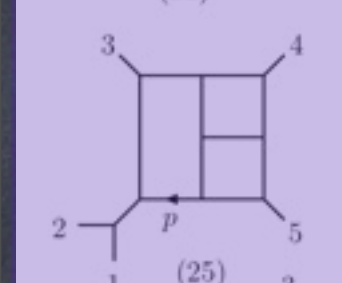
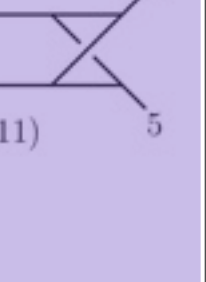
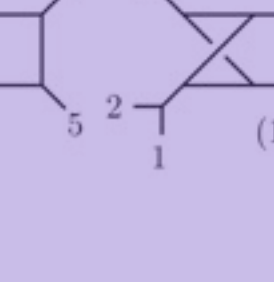
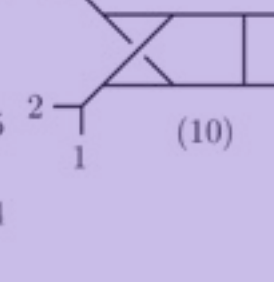
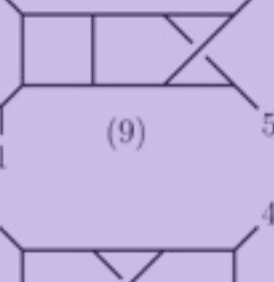
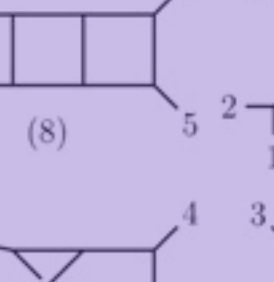
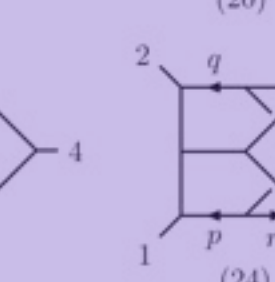
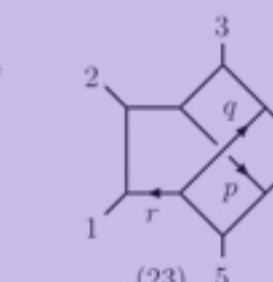
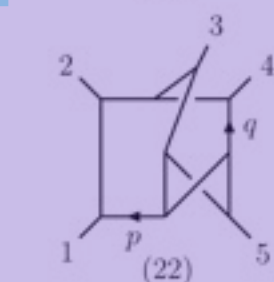
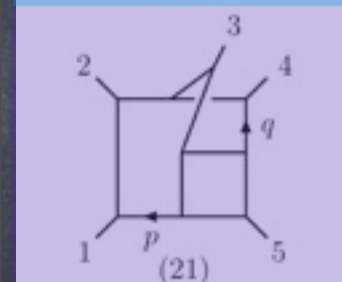
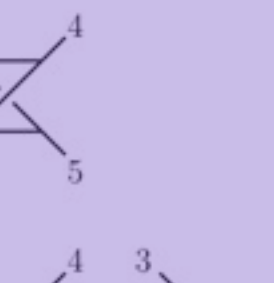
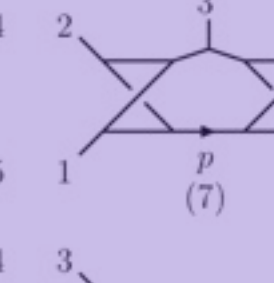
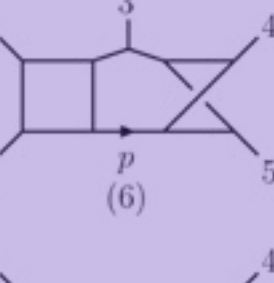
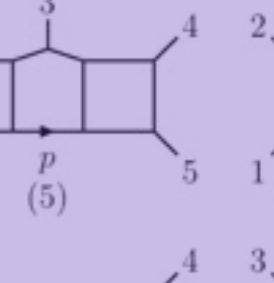
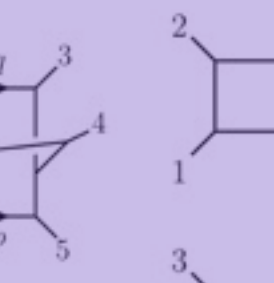
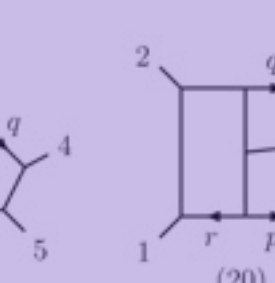
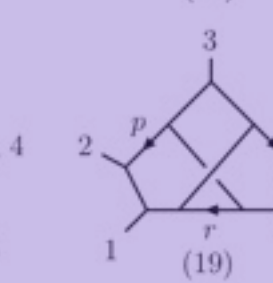
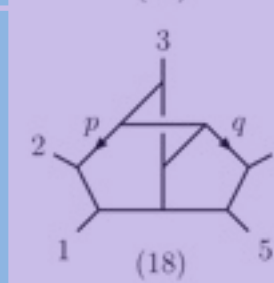
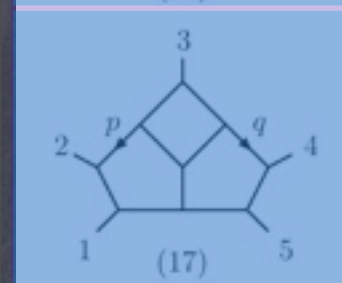
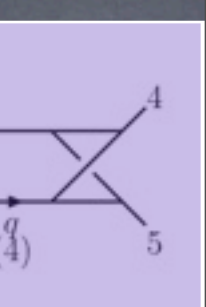
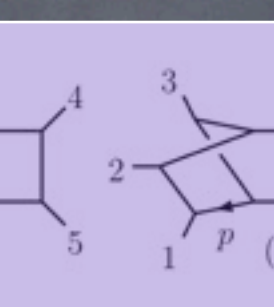
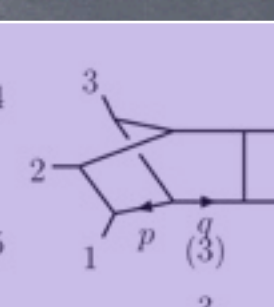
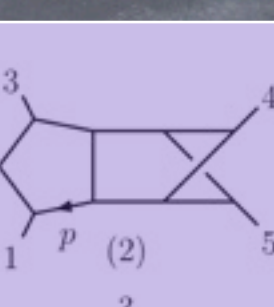
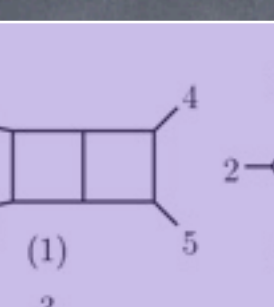
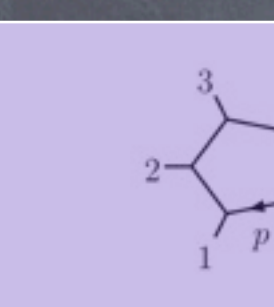
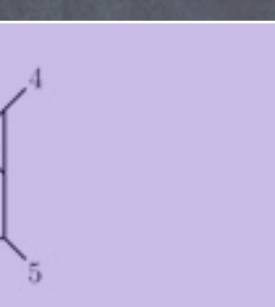
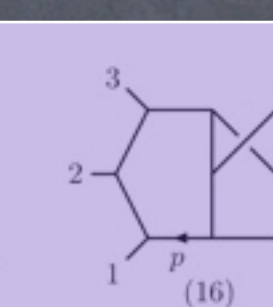
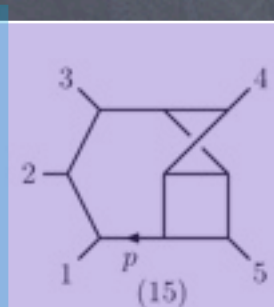
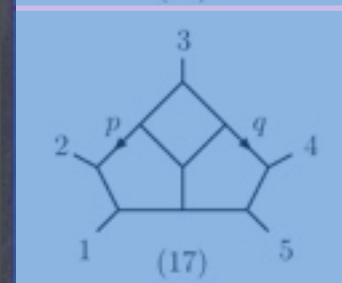
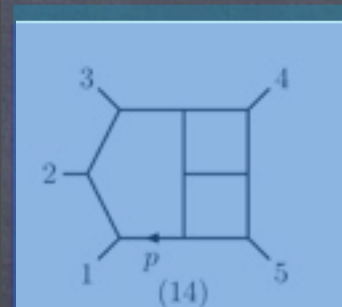
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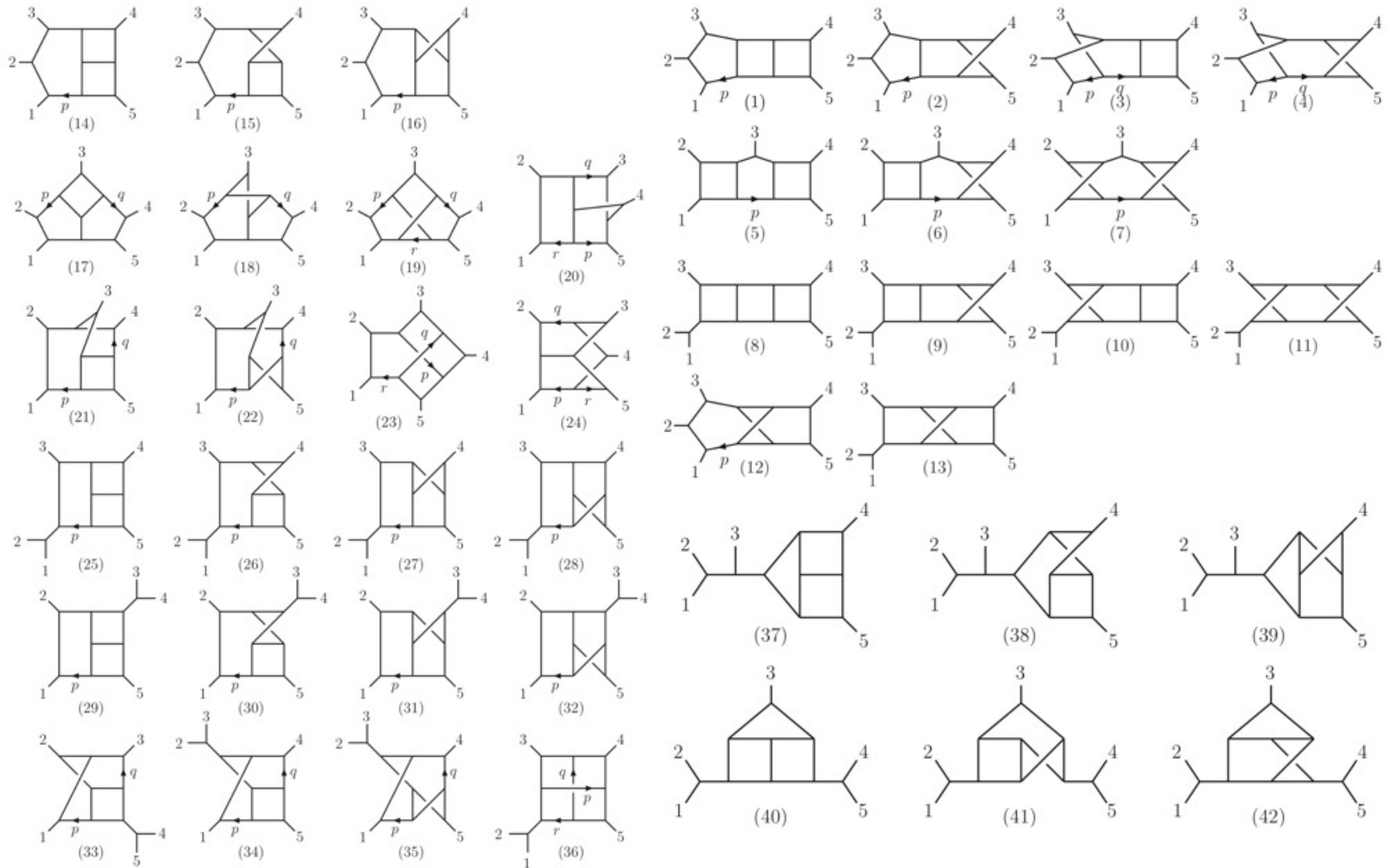
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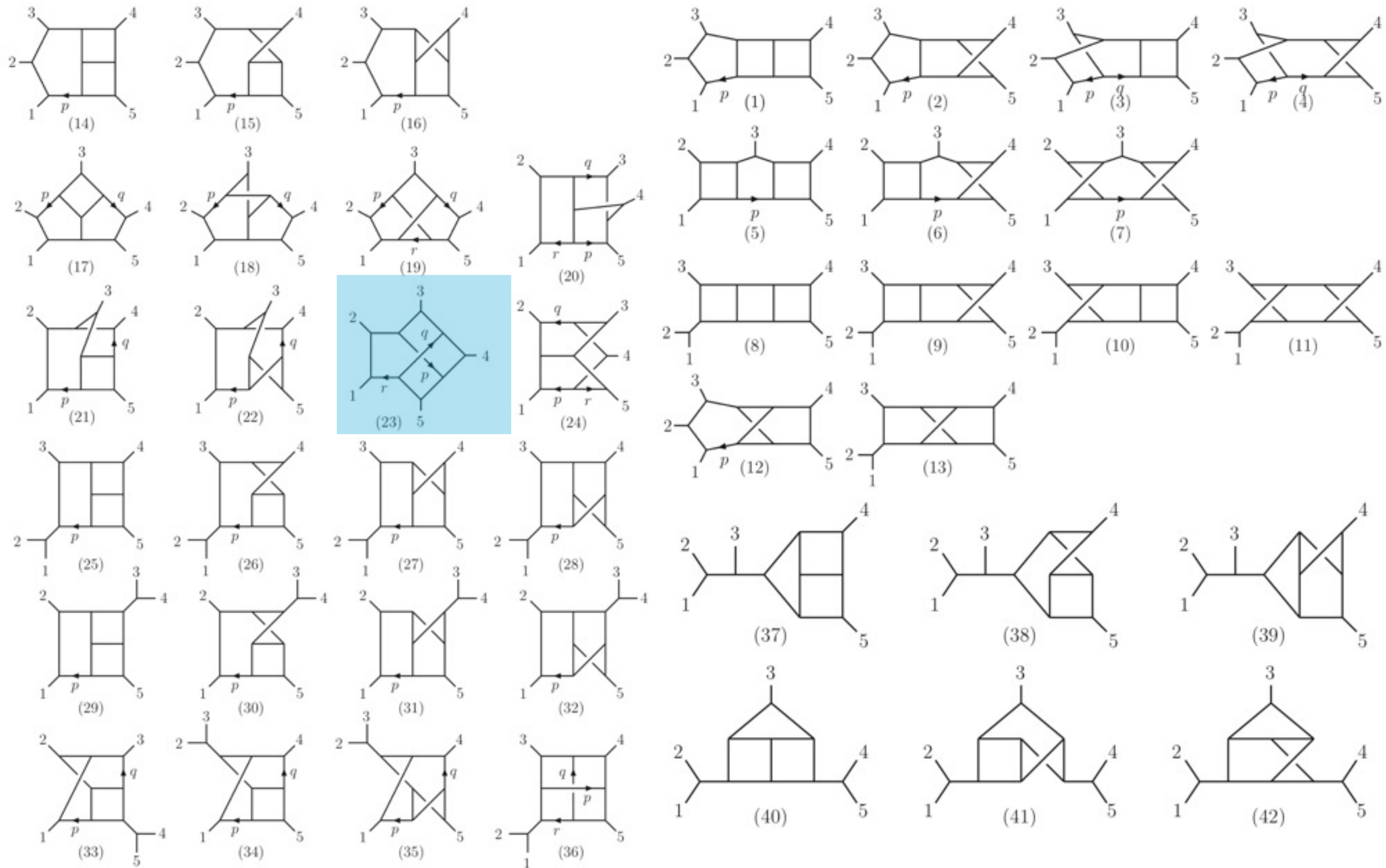
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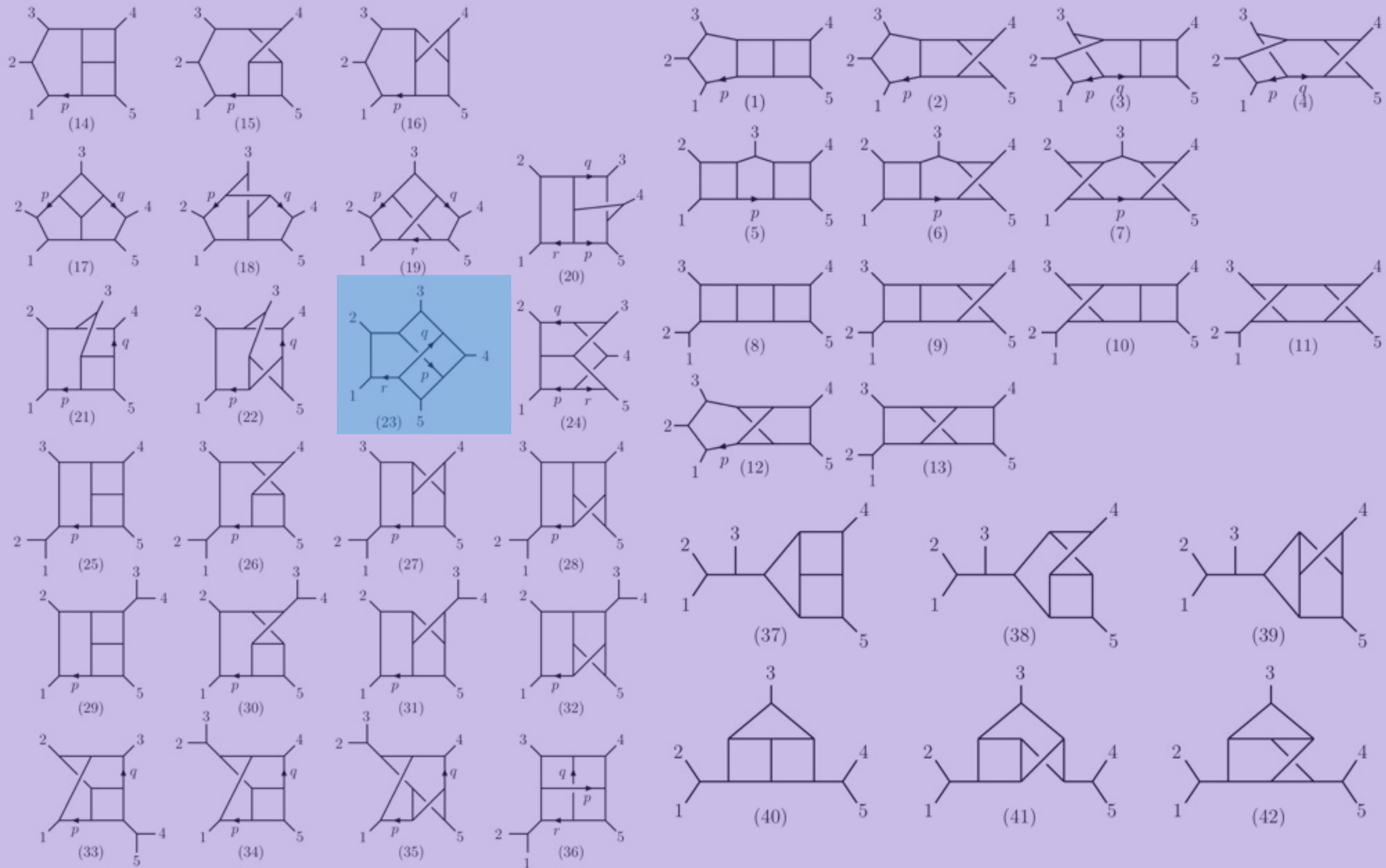
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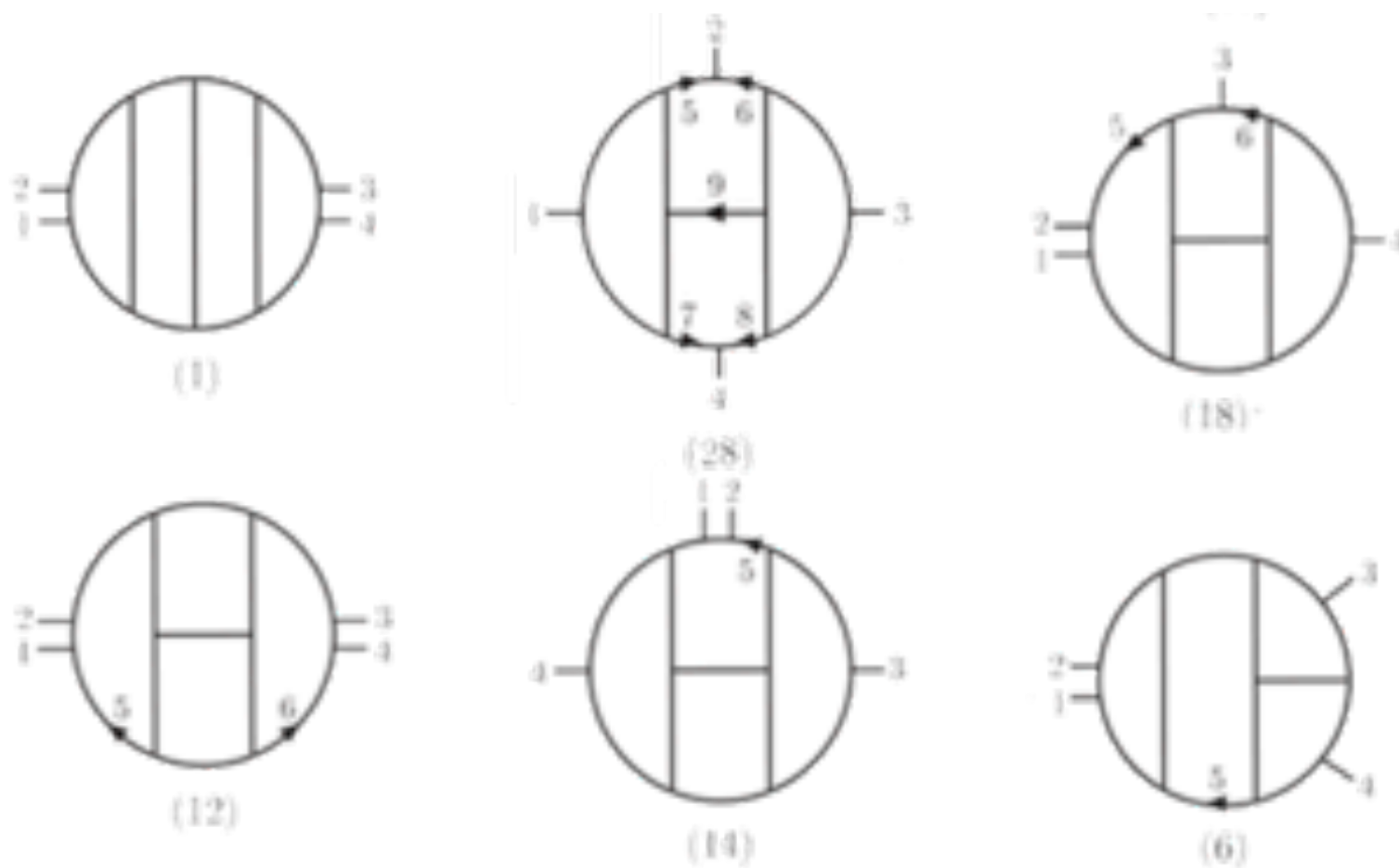
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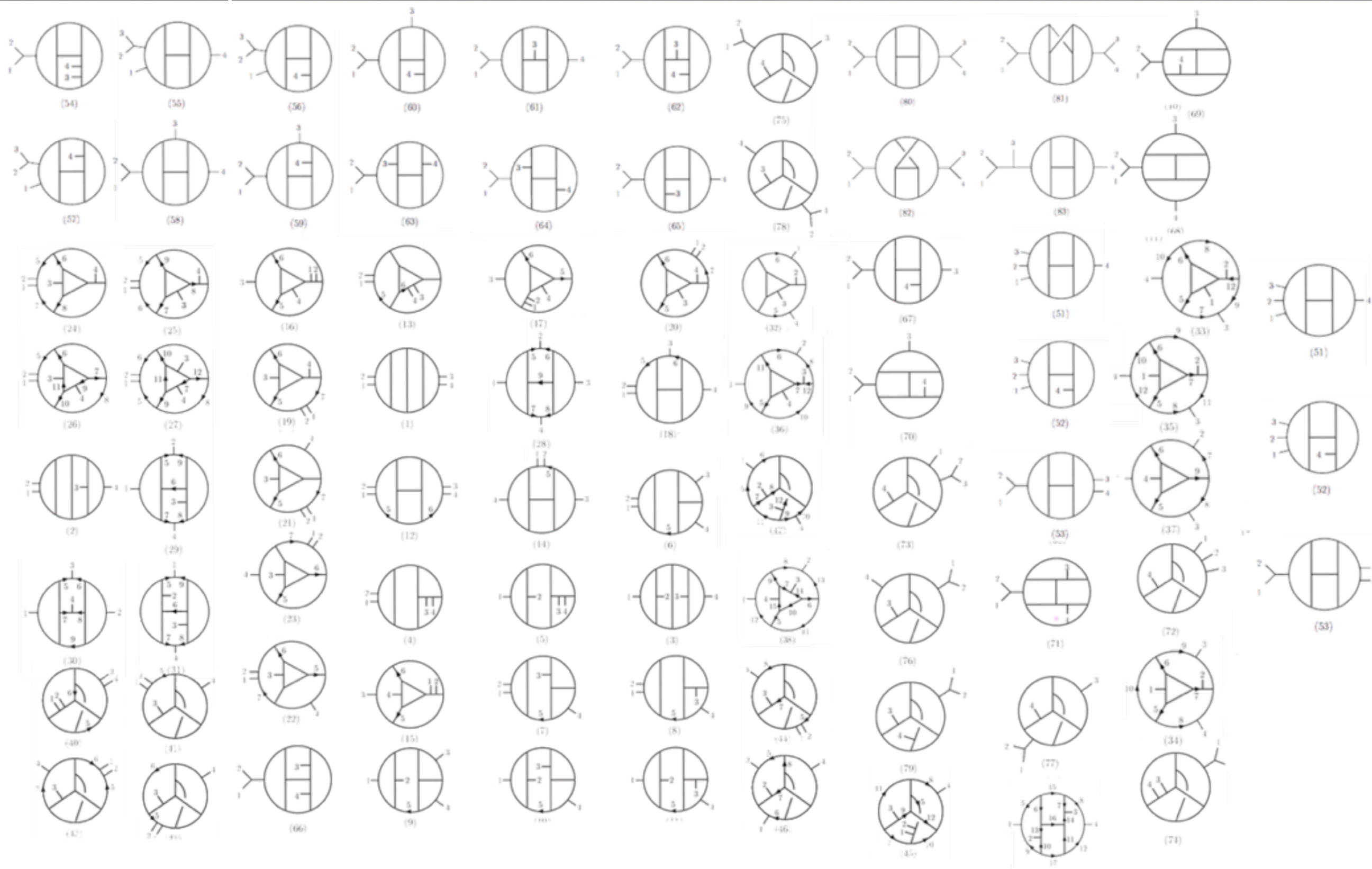
# Four loop planar (extracted cusp anom. dim)



Bern, Czakon, Dixon, Kosower, Smirnov (2006)

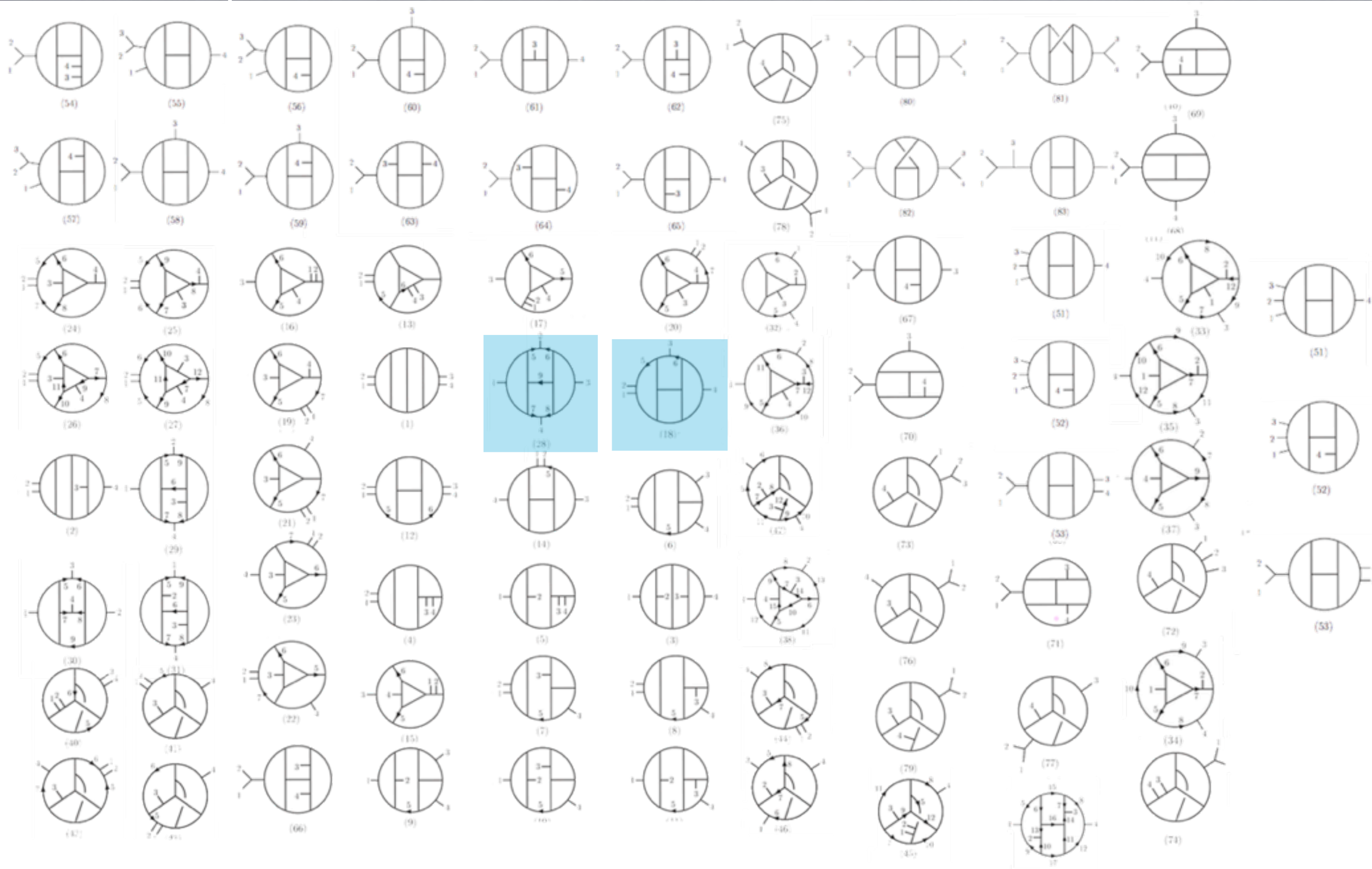


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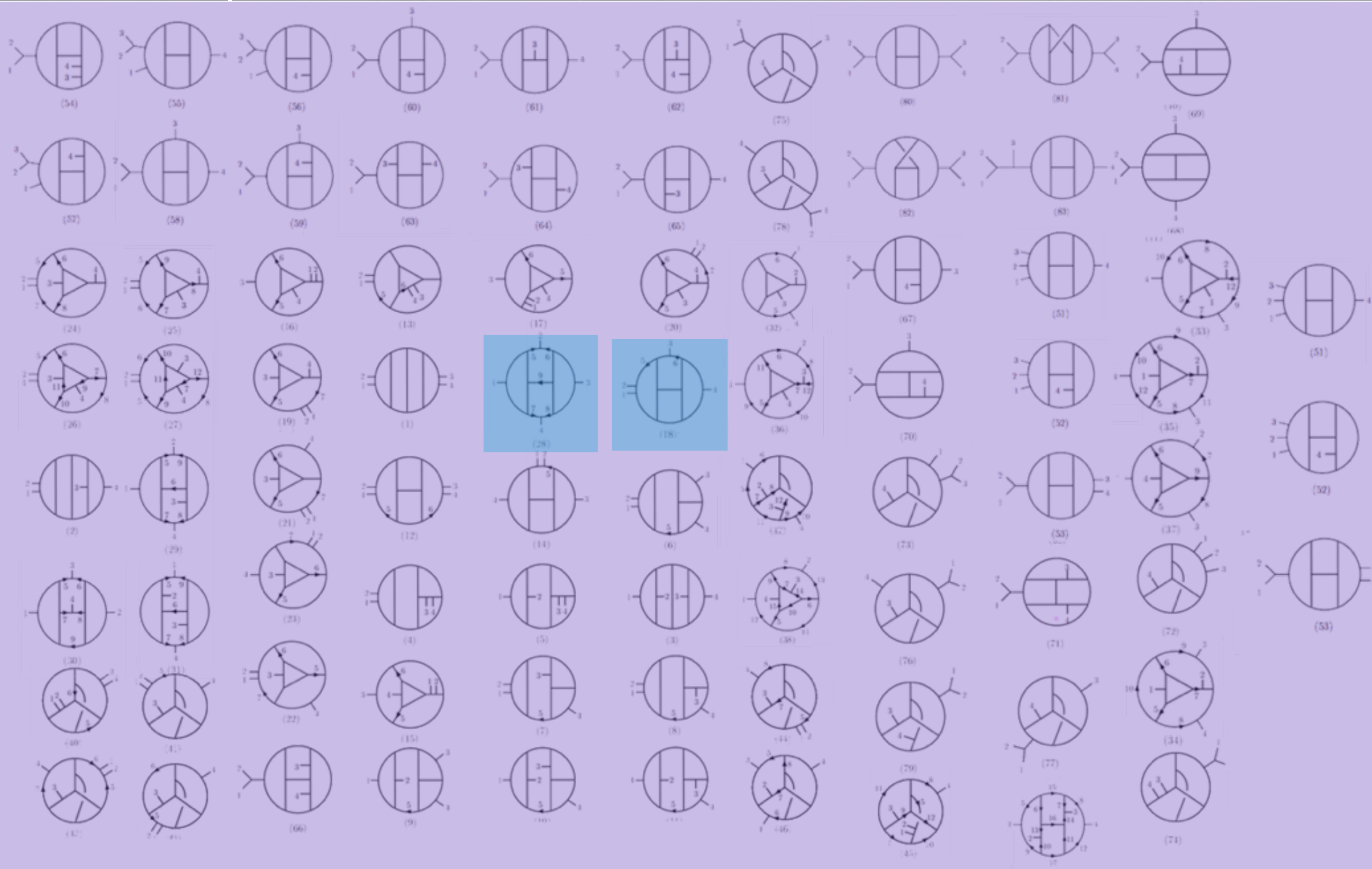


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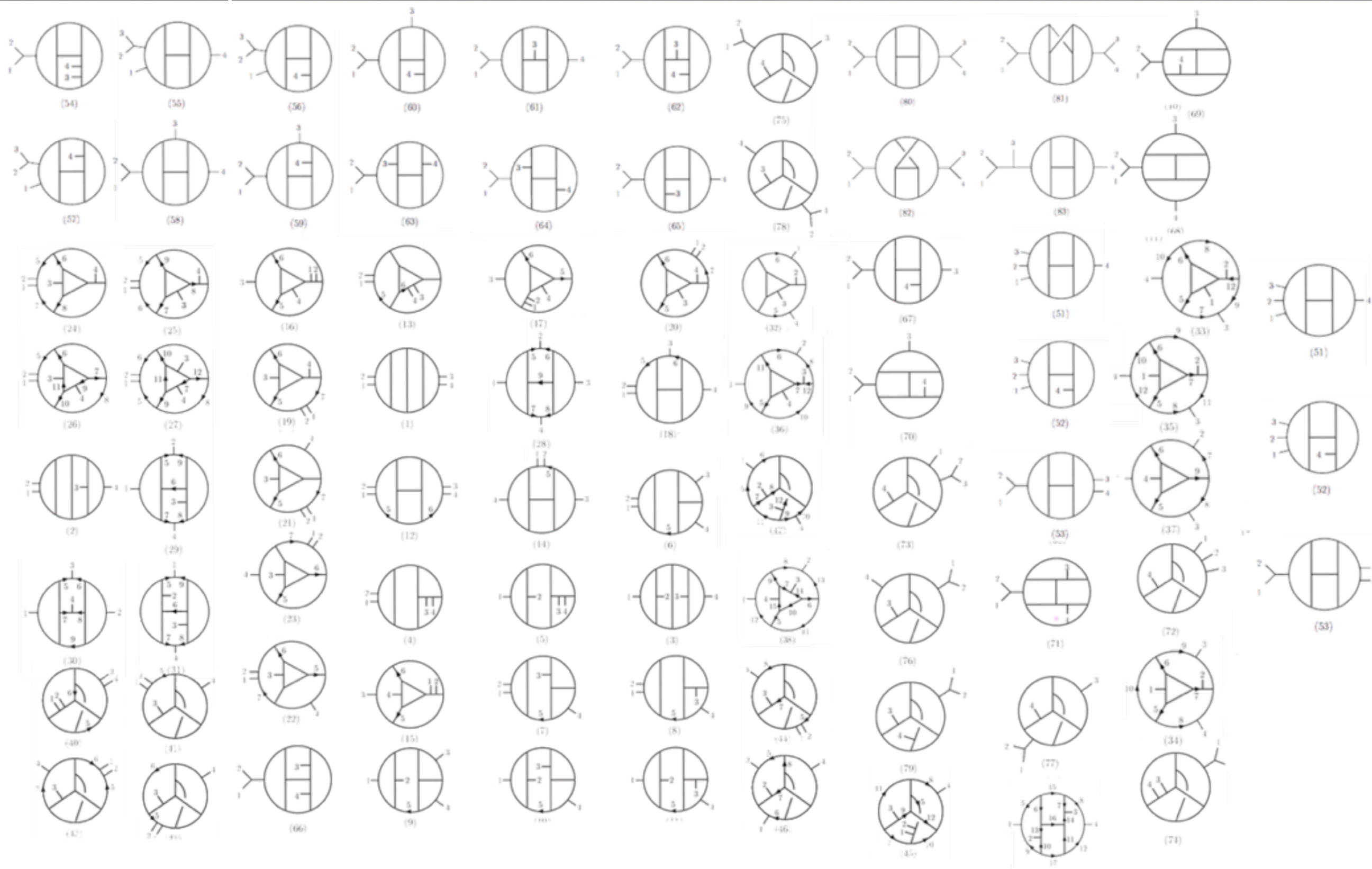


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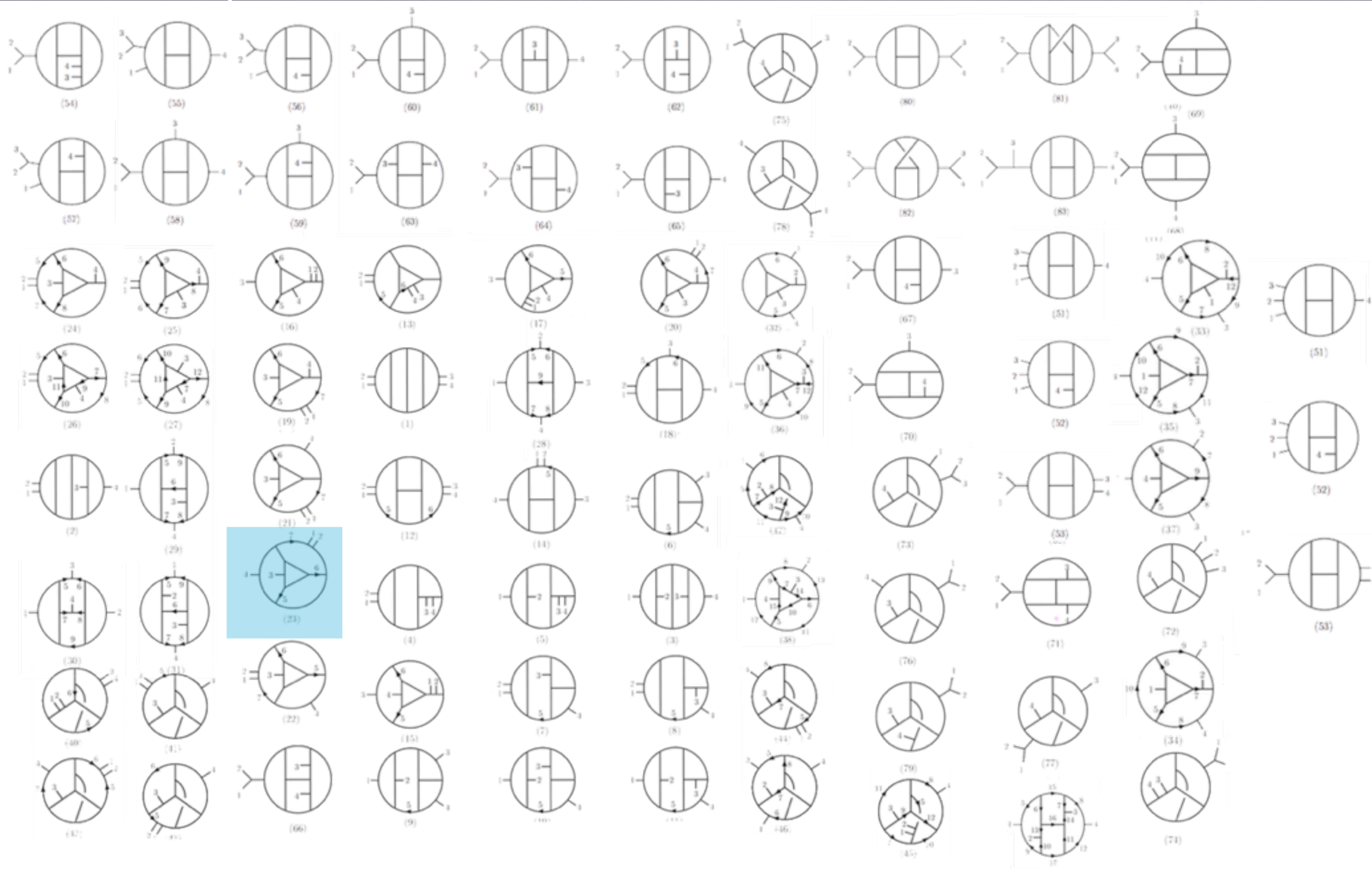


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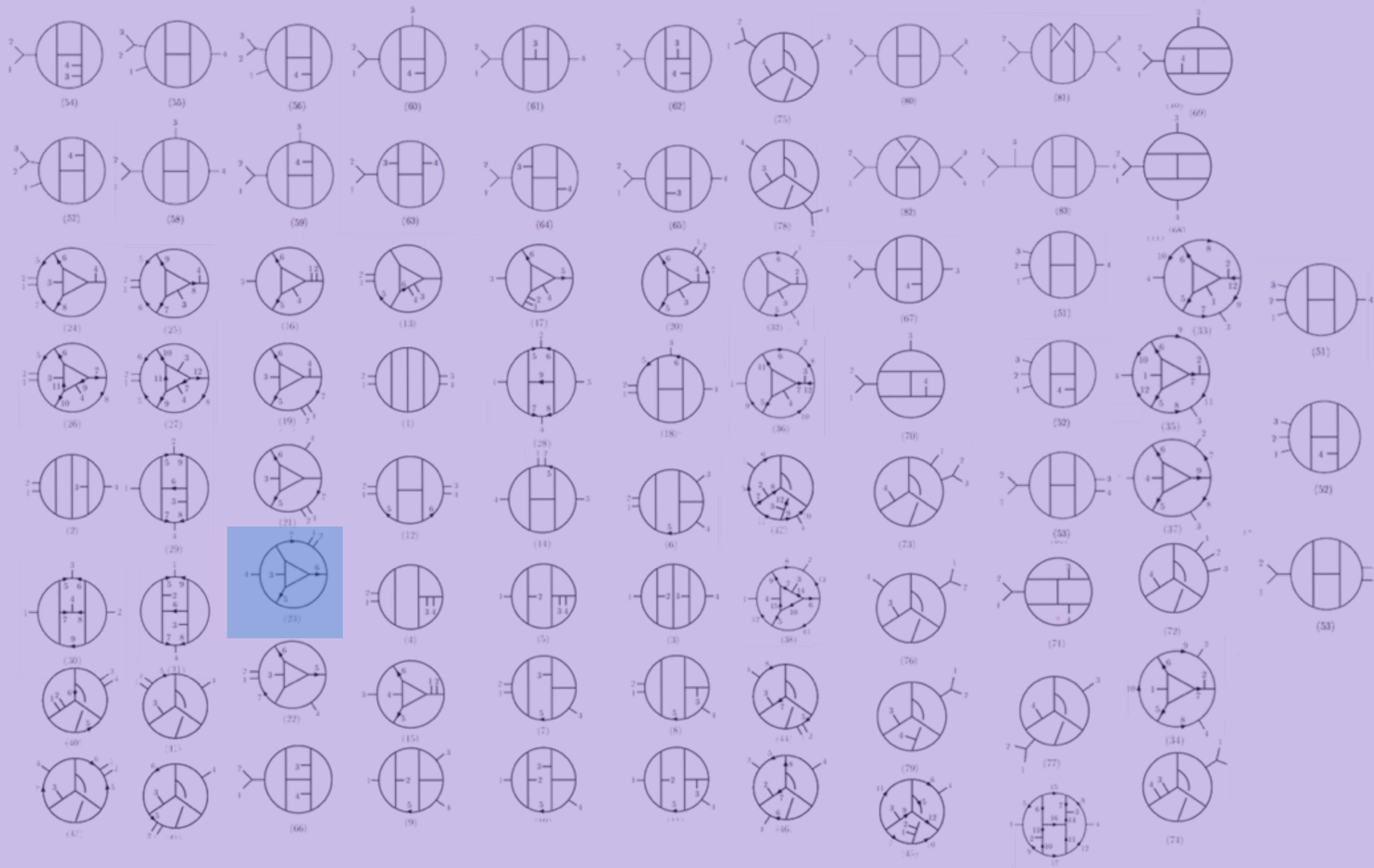


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# Integrated Amplitudes



$$\sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \int \prod_{l=1}^L \frac{d^D p_l}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{1}{S(\mathcal{G})} \frac{n(\mathcal{G}) \tilde{n}(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})}$$

Note  $n$  and  $\tilde{n}$  can come from different reps of same theory, or even different theories altogether.

$$\mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ sYM} \otimes \mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ sYM} \Rightarrow \mathcal{N} = 8 \text{ sugra}$$

$$\mathcal{N} = p \text{ sYM} \otimes \mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ sYM} \Rightarrow \mathcal{N} = 4 + p \text{ sugra}$$

Only one gauge representation need have duality imposed, consequence of general freedom:

$$n(\mathcal{G}) \rightarrow n(\mathcal{G}) + \Delta(\mathcal{G}), \quad \sum_{\mathcal{G} \in \text{cubic}} \left( \frac{c(\mathcal{G}) \Delta(\mathcal{G})}{D(\mathcal{G})} \right) = 0$$

can only depend on algebraic property of  $c(\mathcal{G})$  not numeric values. So as long as  $\tilde{n}(\mathcal{G})$  satisfies same algebra (i.e. duality) can shift  $n(\mathcal{G})$  as we please.



# Recall 1 & 2 Loop 4-point

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Green, Schwarz,  
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Note: numerators independent of loop momenta,  
same true for 5-point 1-loops, so can come out of integrals for  
double copy

Double copy 1-loop 4&5 point

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$\Rightarrow N \geq 4$  SUGRA

1-loop 4pt Bern, Morgan  
1-loop 5pt Bern, Dixon,  
Kosower

Integrated  
Expressions

(5pt JJMC, Johansson)

Bern, Boucher-Veronneau, Johansson '11 did the one-loop double-copy reproducing calculations of Dunbar Norridge '96; Dunbar, Eittle, Perkins '10

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Same for 2-loop 4-point

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2-loop 4pt Bern,  
DeFretas,Dixon

Boucher-Veronneau, Dixon '11 did the first 2-loop  $N=4$  SUGRA calculation

Very strong checks from IR knowledge: that soft divergences exponentiate

Naculich, Schnitzer; Naculich, Nastase, Schnitzer; White;  
Brandhuber, Heslop, Nasti, Spence, Travaglini



Closing remarks on surprises in the UV



# Predictions and thoughts on divergences for $\mathcal{N}=8$ SUGRA in $D=4$

<b>3 loops</b>	Superspace power counting	Deser, Kay (1978) Green, Schwarz, Brink (1982) Howe and Stelle (1989) Marcus and Sagnotti (1985), etc
<b>5 loops</b>	Partial analysis of unitarity cuts; <i>If</i> $\mathcal{N}=6$ harmonic superspace exists; algebraic renormalisation argument	Bern, Dixon, Dunbar, Perelstein, Rozowsky (1998) Howe and Stelle (2003,2009)
<b>6 loops</b>	<i>If</i> $\mathcal{N}=7$ harmonic superspace exists	Howe and Stelle (2003)
<b>7 loops</b>	<i>If</i> offshell $\mathcal{N}=8$ superspace exists; lightcone gauge locality arguments; Algebraic renormalization arguments; $E_{7(7)}$ symmetry.	Grisaru and Siegel (1982); Howe, Stelle and Bossard (2009) Vanhove; Bjornsson, Green (2010) Kiermaier, Elvang, Freedman(2010) Ramond, Kallosh (2010); Biesert, et al (2010)
<b>8 loops</b>	Explicit identification of potential susy invariant counterterm with full non-linear susy and duality.	Kallosh; Howe and Lindström (1981)
<b>9 loops</b>	Assumes Berkovits' superstring non-renormalization theorems carries over to $D=4$ $\mathcal{N}=8$ supergravity and extrapolates to 9 loops.	Green, Russo, Vanhove (2006)

Consensus is for valid 7-loop counterterm in  $D=4$ , trouble starting at 5-loops



Do we have an example of a valid counterterm that doesn't vanish for any accepted symmetry reason?

Yes:  $N = 4$  supergravity at three loops in 4 Dimensions

Consensus: valid  $R^4$  divergence exists for  $N=4$  SUGRA in  $D = 4$ . Analogous to 7 loop divergence of  $N = 8$  supergravity

Bossard, Howe, Stelle;  
Bossard, Howe, Stelle, Vanhove

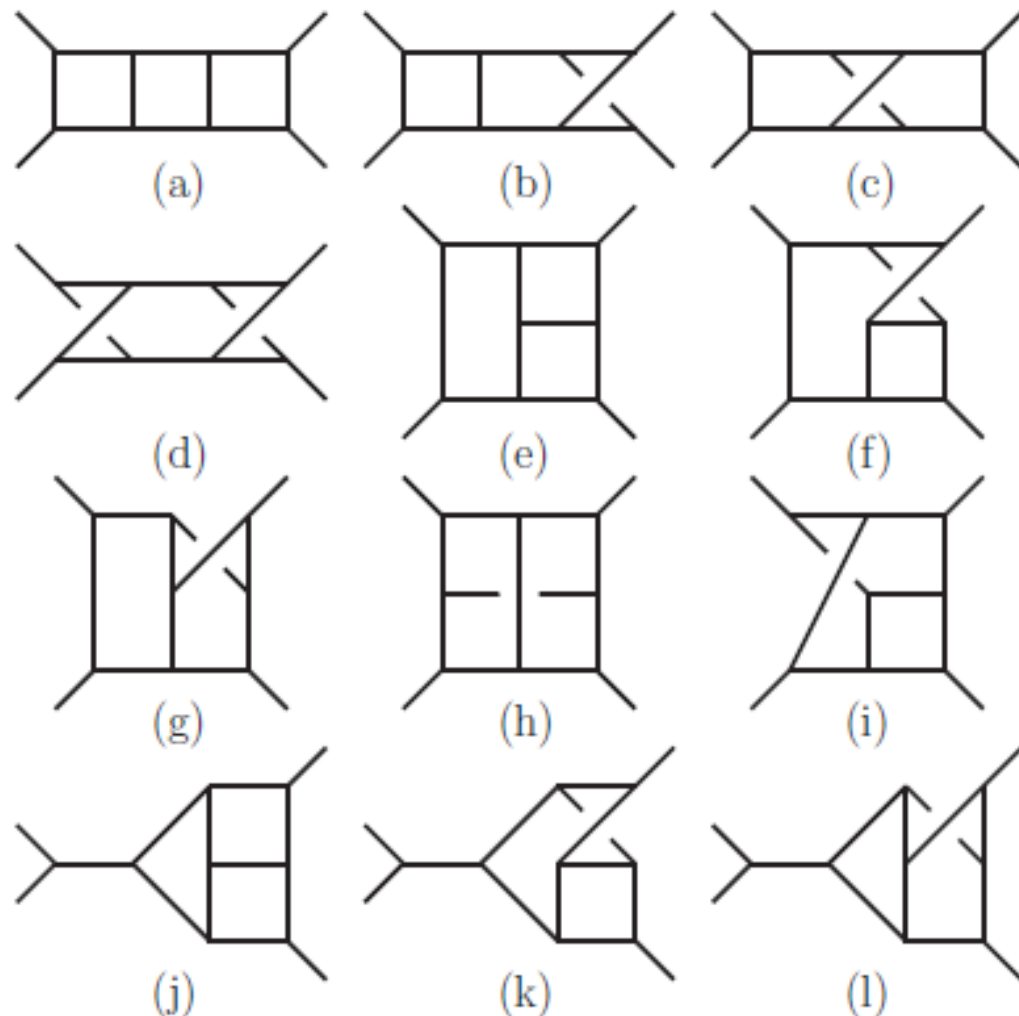
Calculation impossible 2 years ago feasible due to loop-level color-kinematics and double copy



2010 3-loop N=4 SYM CK-rep  
 $\times$   
 Feynman Diags for N=0 (QCD)  $\rightarrow$  3-loop  
 N=4 SUGRA!

## The $N = 4$ Supergravity UV Cancellation

ZB, Davies, Dennen, Huang



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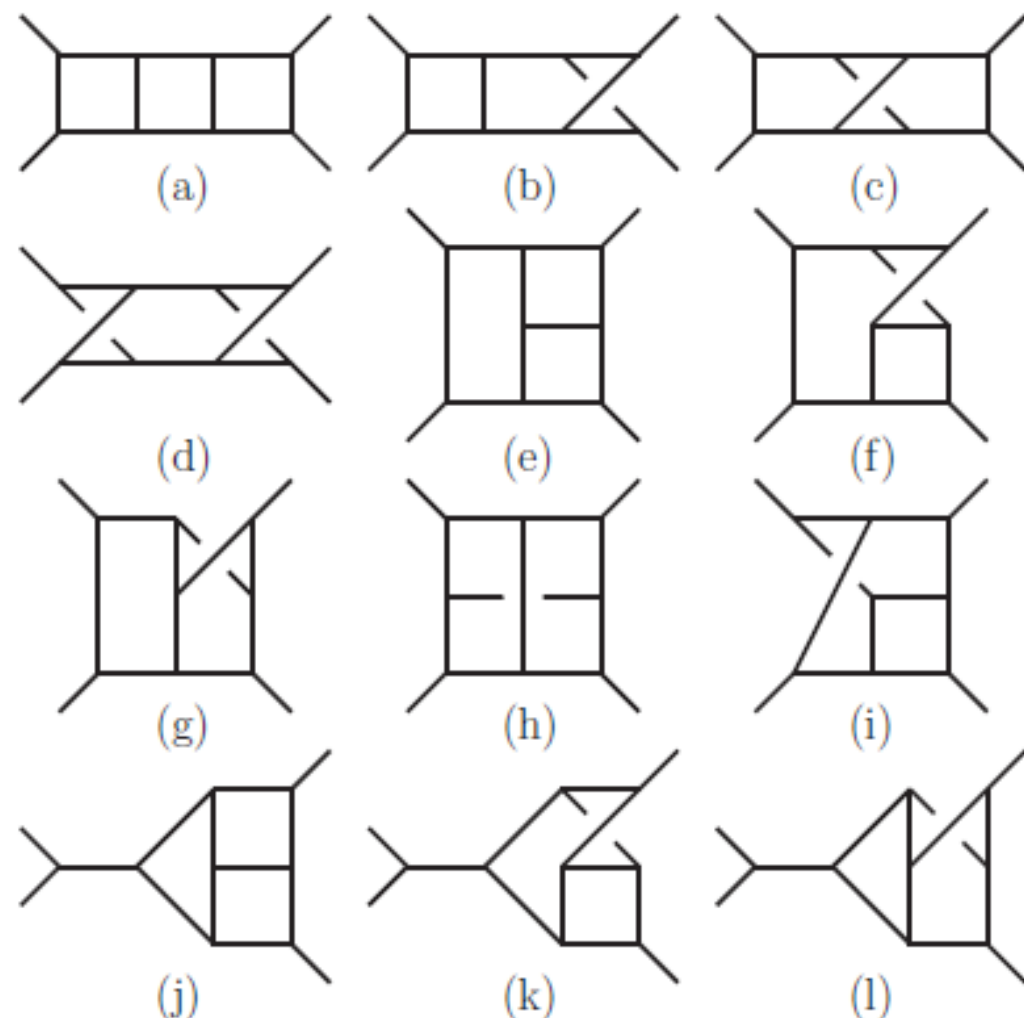
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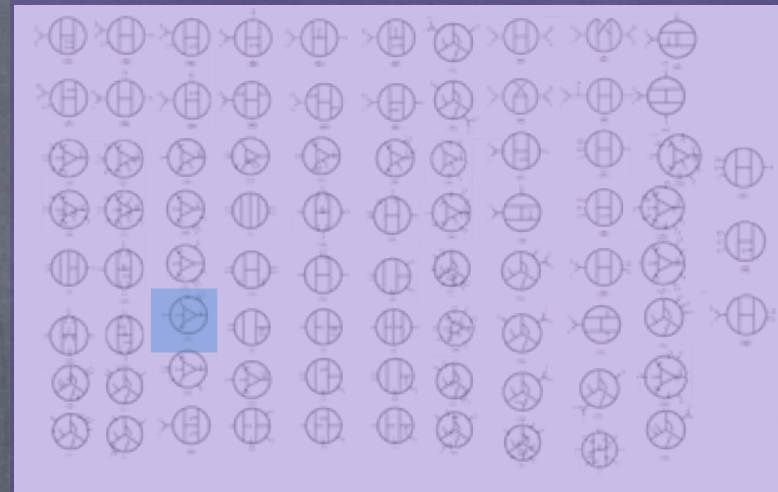
Kallos '12

Tourkine and Vanhove '12



# An interesting development at 4-loops!

In the new manifest representation, we have the power to identify remarkable structure between YM and Gravity



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Gravity UV divergence is directly proportional to subleading color single-trace divergence of  $N = 4$  super-Yang-Mills theory.

Same holds for 1-3 loops.



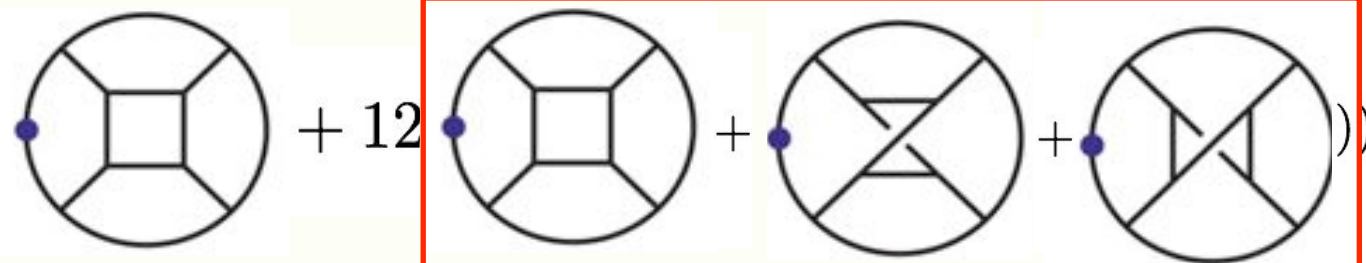
# Status of 5-loop SUGRA Calculation

Bern, JJMC, Dixon, Johansson, Roiban

## Calculation of N=4 sYM 5-loop Amplitude Complete

arXiv this week?

- Critical step towards getting N=8 5-loop SUGRA Amplitude (working towards finding complete Color-Kinematic satisfying form in progress)
- 416 cubic graphs contributing (in this representation)

$$A_4^{(5)} \Big|_{\text{pole}} = \frac{144}{5} g^{12} stu A^{\text{tree}} N_c^3 \text{Tr}_{1234} (N_c^2 \cdot \text{graph}_1 + 12 \cdot \text{graph}_2 + \text{graph}_3 + \text{graph}_4)$$


No single color-trace terms beyond  $O(1/N_c^2)$  suppression (like  $L \leq 4$ )

No double-trace contributions (like  $L \leq 4$ ).

Saturates predicted divergence in  $D=26/5$

Clearly if pattern persists for N=8 SUGRA (matching subleading single-trace behavior), N=8 will be UV finite in  $D=26/5$  -- calculation ongoing



# Where do we want to end up with these methods?

- Fundamentally rewrite S-matrix so important symmetries and structures can be made manifest  
– See Arkani-Hamed's talk
- Ok, that may not be immediate, so a **direct** way to write down master(s). (structure constants??)  
Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Monteiro, O'Connell.
- As an intermediate step, we'll be happy with greater control over more fluidly flowing between representations (c.f. **polytopes**)  
Arkani-Hamed, Bourjaily, Cachazo, Hodges, Trnka
- Generalizations (c.f. BLG  $n_s = n_t + n_u + n_v$ )  
Bargheer, He, and McLoughlin
- Existence in higher-genus perturbative string theory?  
Mafra, Schlotterer, Stieberger
- What is non-perturbative implication/barrier to understanding gravity as a double-copy?

Lots to do!



