

# Generalised Unitarity for One-Loop Amplitudes

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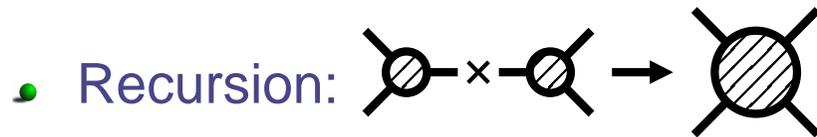
- On-shell methods for one-loop amplitudes
- Generalised unitarity approach
- Application to six gluon amplitudes

# Motivations for On-Shell Constructions

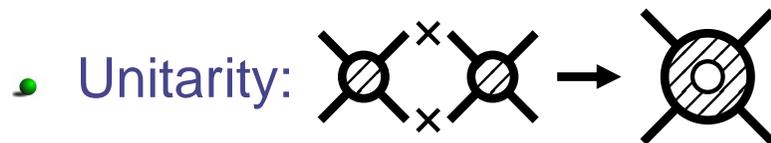
- On-shell quantities are simpler than Feynman representations
- Construct S-matrix elements using analytic properties
- New insight from Twistor Space

[Witten (2003)]

- Use amplitudes as fundamental building blocks
- Make use of complex momenta



[Britto,Cachazo,Feng,Witten (2004)]



[Bern,Dixon,Dunbar,Kosower (1994)]

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# Recent Advances with On-Shell Approaches

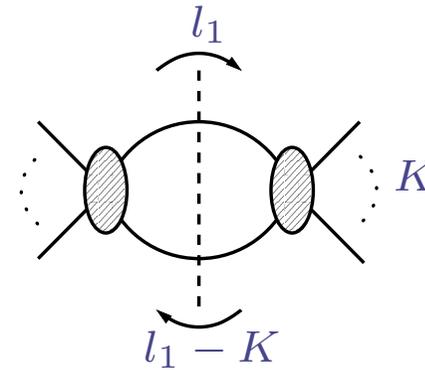
- Full numerical programs for NLO matrix elements:
  - Helac-1loop : QCD  $2 \rightarrow 4$  Feynman+OPP [van Hameren,Ossola,Papadopoulos,Pittau]
  - Rocket ( $n \sim 20$ ) :  $n(g), q\bar{q} + n(g), t\bar{t} + 3g, W + 3j$  [Ellis,Giele,Kunszt,Melnikov,Zanderighi]
  - BlackHat :  $8g, W + 3j$  full colour [Berger et al.]
  - Further C++ implementations [Giele,Winter;Lazopoulos]
- Generation of compact analytic formulae @ NLO
  - One-Loop Recursion Relations [Berger,Bern,Forde,Dixon,Kosower]
  - Spinor Integration Reduction [Britto,Buchbinder,Cachazo,Feng,Mastrolia]
  - $D$ -dimensional cuts [Anastasiou,Britto,Feng,Kunszt,Mastrolia,Yang;SB]
- Feasibility of complicated multi-loop amplitudes, e.g.
  - $\mathcal{N} = 4$  4-loop 4-gluon [Bern,Czakon,Dixon,Kosower]
  - $\mathcal{N} = 4$  2-loop 6-gluon [Bern,Dixon,Kosower,Roiban,Spradlin,Vergu,Volovich]
  - $\mathcal{N} = 8$  4-loop 4-graviton [Bern,Carrasco,Dixon,Johansson,Kosower,Roiban]

Generalised unitarity for one-loop computations

# Unitarity Cuts

- Cutkosky Rules to compute  $\text{Disc}_p(A^{1\text{-loop}})$

$$\frac{1}{p^2 - m^2 + i0^+} \rightarrow i\delta^{(+)}(p^2 - m^2)$$



- Construction of amplitudes from double cuts

[Bern,Dixon,Dunbar,Kosower (1994)]

- 4-dimensional cuts suitable for supersymmetric theories

- $\mathcal{N} = 4$  all- $n$  MHV

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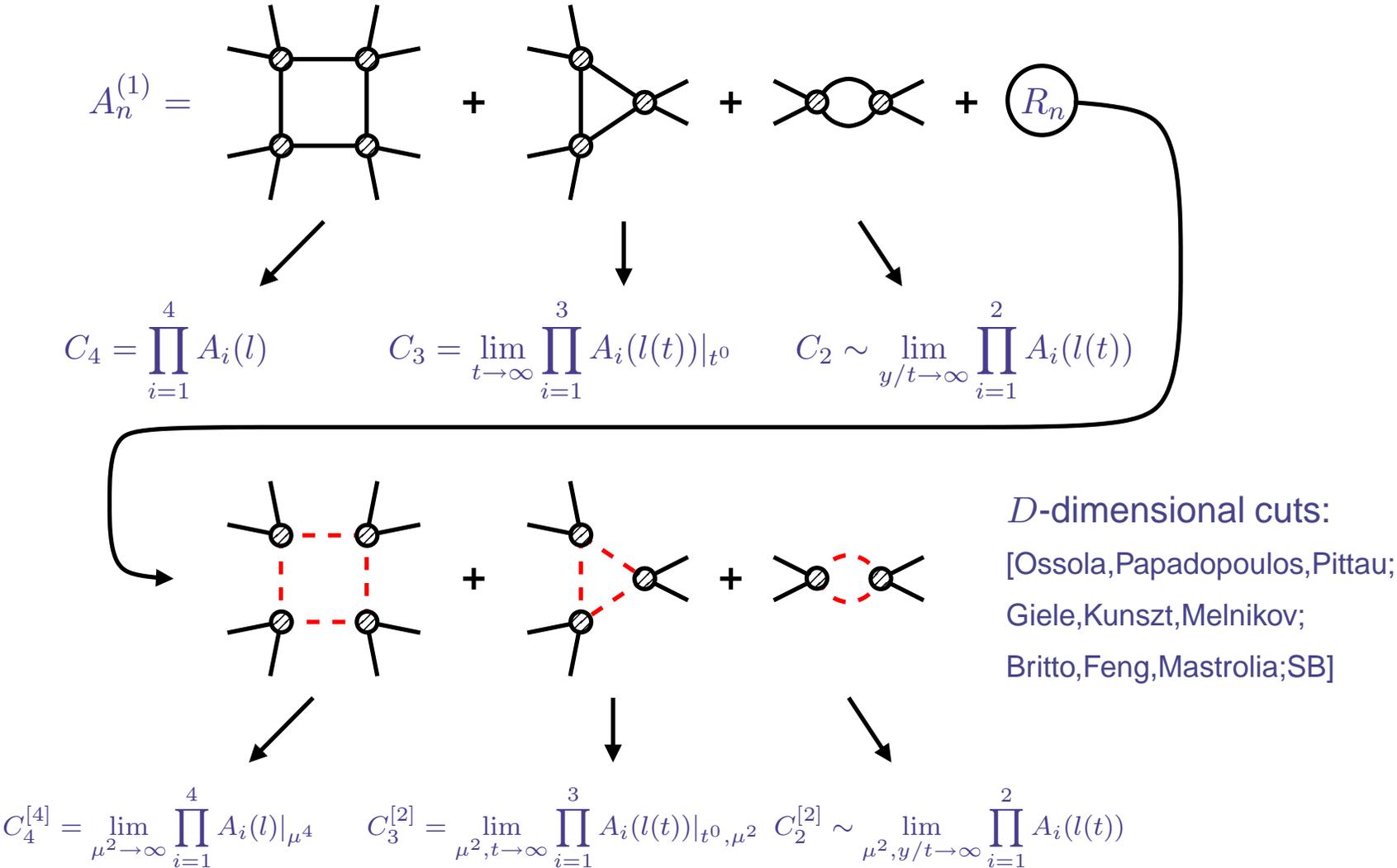
- $\mathcal{N} = 1$  all- $n$  MHV,  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  6-point NMHV

[Bern,Dixon,Dunbar,Kosower (1994)]

# One-Loop Integral Basis

Generalised cuts: loops from trees:

[Bern,Dixon,Dunbar,Kosower;Britto,Cachazo,Feng,Mastrolia,Yang;Ossola,Papadopoulos,Pittau;Forde]



# Six-Gluon Helicity Amplitudes

- 29889 Feynman diagrams with 6-rank tensor hexagon integrals

$$\mathcal{A}_6^{(1)}(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) = \sum_{\sigma_6} \sum_{k=0}^4 G_{n;k+1} \text{tr}(T^{a_1} \dots T^{a_k}) \text{tr}(T^{a_{k+1}} \dots T^{a_5} T^{a_6}) \\ \times A_{n;k+1}^{(1)}(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)$$

- $G_{6;1} = N_c$ : sub-leading colours obtained from permutations
- $A_{6;1}$  only independent quantity: evaluate in helicity basis
- Full analytic QCD corrections now available:

Mahlon(1993); Bern,Dixon,Dunbar,Kosower(1994,1995); Bidder,Bjerrum-Bohr,Dixon,Dunbar(2004);  
Bedford,Brandhuber,Spence,Travaglini(2004); Britto,Buchbinder,Cachazo,Feng(2005);  
Britto,Feng,Mastrolia(2005); Bern,Bjerrum-Bohr,Ita,Dunbar(2005); Bern,Dixon,Kosower(2005);  
Berger,Bern,Dixon,Forde,Kosower(2006); Xiao,Yang,Zhang(2006); Dunbar(2008)

# Six-Gluon Integral Basis

## Integrals

$I_4(s, t; \{M_i^2\})$

$I_3(\{M_i^2\})$

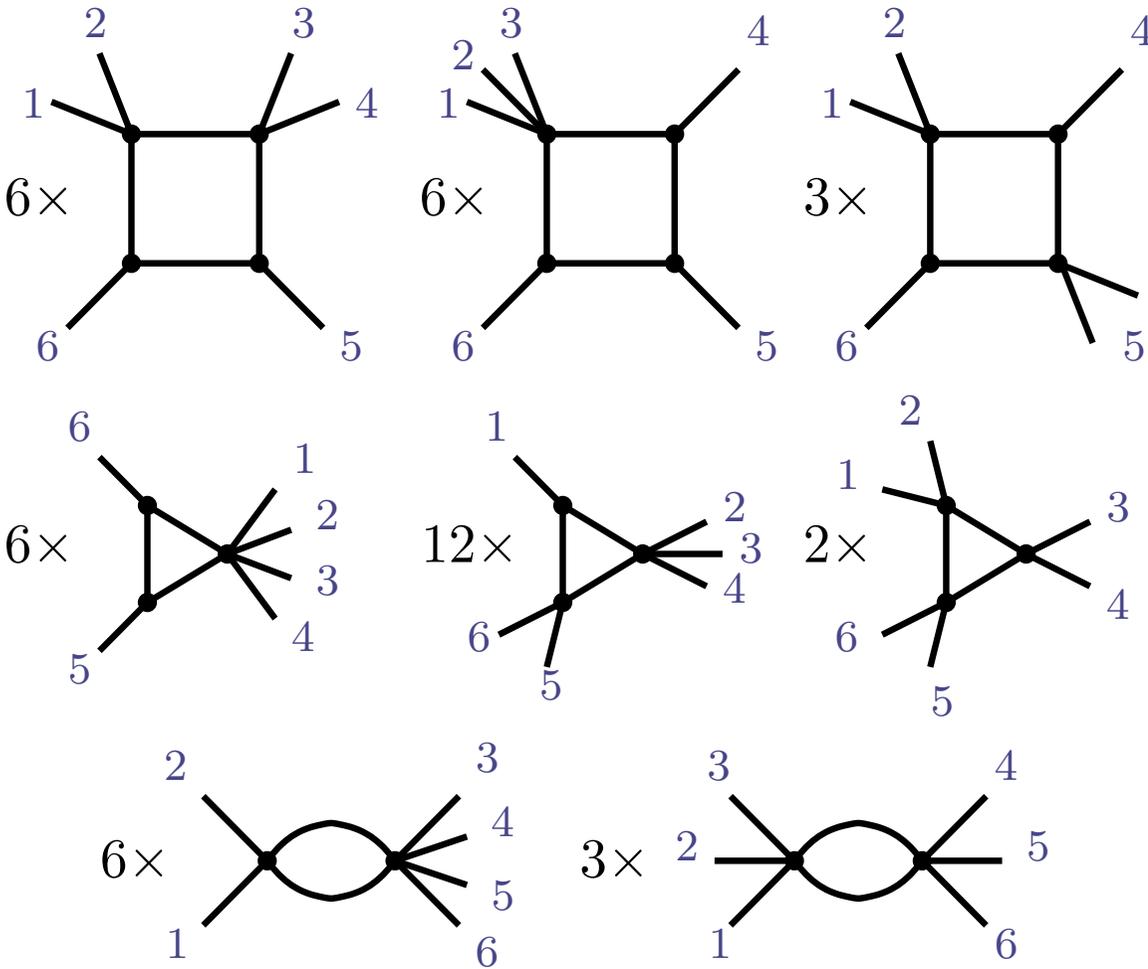
$I_2(s)$

Public codes:

LoopTools

CutTools

QCDloop



34 Integral coefficient (15 boxes, 20 triangles, 9 bubbles)

# Generalised Unitarity

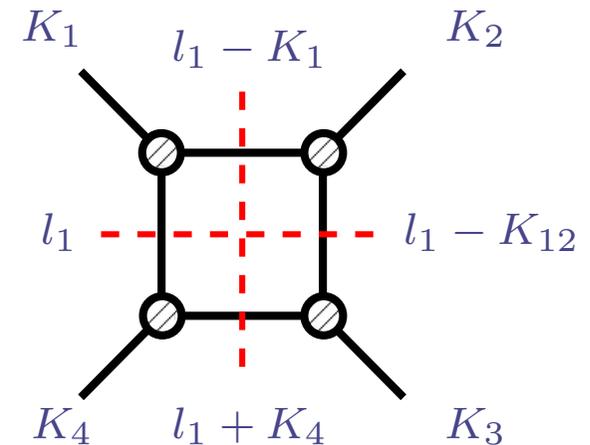
- Cutting more propagators to isolate the various integral functions

[Bern,Dixon,Kosower (1997)]

[Britto,Cachazo,Feng (2004)]

$$\{l^2 = 0, (l - K_1)^2 = 0, (l - K_{12})^2 = 0, (l + K_4)^2 = 0\}$$

- 2 complex solutions
- 4D loop momentum completely fixed



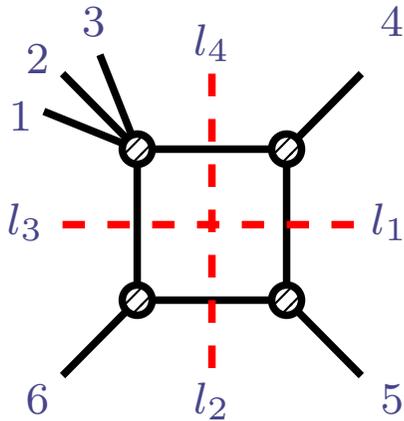
$$C_4(K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l^\pm} A^{(0)}(l_1, K_1, -l_2) A^{(0)}(l_2, K_2, -l_3) A^{(0)}(l_3, K_3, -l_4) A^{(0)}(l_4, K_4, -l_1)$$

Loop momentum paramterisation

$$l^\nu = a(K_1^b)^\nu + b(K_2^b)^\nu + c\langle K_1^b | \gamma^\nu | K_2^b \rangle + d\langle K_2^b | \gamma^\nu | K_1^b \rangle$$

# Box Contributions for $A_6^g$

- One-mass box:  $C_{4;123|4|5|6}$



$$\{l_1^2 = 0, (l_1 - 5)^2 = 0, (l_1 - 5 - 6)^2 = 0, (l_1 + 4)^2 = 0\}$$

$$l_1^{(1)} = \frac{[56]}{2[46]} \langle 4 | \gamma^\mu | 5 \rangle, \quad l_1^{(2)} = \frac{\langle 56 \rangle}{2\langle 46 \rangle} \langle 5 | \gamma^\mu | 4 \rangle$$

- Simple substitution into the products of tree amplitudes:

$$C_{4;123}(1^\pm, 2^+, 3^+, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) = 0$$

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$$C_{4;123}(1^-, 2^+, 3^-, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) = s_{45} s_{56} A^{(0)}(1^-, 2^+, 3^-, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+)$$

# Box Contributions for $A_6^g$

Maximal Helicity Violating (MHV):  $2-, 4+$

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_4(1^-, 2^-, 3^+, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) &= -\frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3}{\langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \left( \right. \\
 &I_4(s_{16}, s_{12}, s_{345}) s_{12} s_{16} + I_4(s_{56}, s_{16}, s_{234}) s_{56} s_{16} + I_4(s_{12}, s_{23}, s_{456}) s_{12} s_{23} + \\
 &I_4(s_{23}, s_{34}, s_{156}) s_{23} s_{34} + I_4(s_{34}, s_{45}, s_{126}) s_{34} s_{45} + I_4(s_{45}, s_{56}, s_{123}) s_{45} s_{56} + \\
 &I_4(s_{123}, s_{234}, s_{23}, s_{56}) s_{123} s_{234} + I_4(s_{234}, s_{345}, s_{34}, s_{16}) s_{234} s_{345} + I_4(s_{345}, s_{456}, s_{45}, s_{12}) s_{345} s_{456} \left. \right) \\
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 C_4(1^-, 2^+, 3^-, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) &= -\frac{\langle 13 \rangle^4}{2\langle 16 \rangle \langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \left( \right. \\
 &I_4(s_{12}, s_{23}, s_{456}) s_{12} s_{23} + I_4(s_{34}, s_{45}, s_{126}) s_{34} s_{45} + I_4(s_{56}, s_{16}, s_{234}) s_{16} s_{56} + I_4(s_{45}, s_{56}, s_{123}) s_{45} s_{56} \\
 &+ I_4(s_{23}, s_{34}, s_{156}) \left( \frac{s_{23} s_{34} \langle 14 \rangle^4 \langle 23 \rangle^4}{\langle 13 \rangle^4 \langle 24 \rangle^4} + \frac{s_{23} s_{34} \langle 12 \rangle^4 \langle 34 \rangle^4}{\langle 13 \rangle^4 \langle 24 \rangle^4} \right) \\
 &+ I_4(s_{16}, s_{12}, s_{345}) \left( \frac{s_{12} s_{16} \langle 16 \rangle^4 \langle 23 \rangle^4}{\langle 13 \rangle^4 \langle 26 \rangle^4} + \frac{s_{12} s_{16} \langle 12 \rangle^4 \langle 36 \rangle^4}{\langle 13 \rangle^4 \langle 26 \rangle^4} \right) \\
 &+ I_4(s_{345}, s_{234}, s_{34}, s_{16}) \left( \frac{\langle 15 \rangle^4 \langle 2|K_{34}|5 \rangle \langle 5|K_{34}|2 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^4}{\langle 13 \rangle^4 \langle 25 \rangle^4} + \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^4 \langle 35 \rangle^4 \langle 2|K_{34}|5 \rangle \langle 5|K_{34}|2 \rangle}{\langle 13 \rangle^4 \langle 25 \rangle^4} \right) \\
 &+ I_4(s_{234}, s_{123}, s_{23}, s_{56}) \langle 1|K_{23}|4 \rangle \langle 4|K_{23}|1 \rangle + I_4(s_{123}, s_{345}, s_{12}, s_{45}) \langle 3|K_{45}|6 \rangle \langle 6|K_{45}|3 \rangle \left. \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

# Box Contributions for $A_6^g$

## Next-to-Maximal Helicity Violating (NMHV): $3^-, 3^+$

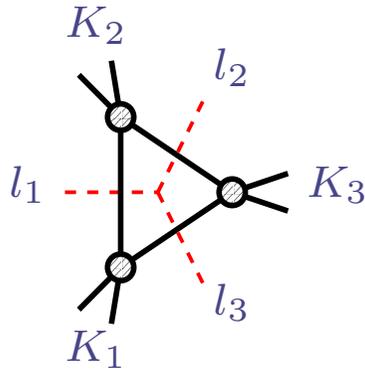
$$C_4(1^-, 2^-, 3^-, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{I}_4(s_{16}, s_{123}, s_{23}, s_{45}) \frac{s_{16}s_{123}^4}{\langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 4 | K_{123} | 1 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{123} | 3 \rangle [21][32]} + \text{I}_4(s_{12}, s_{23}, s_{456}) \frac{s_{12}s_{23}s_{123}^3}{\langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 4 | K_{123} | 1 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{123} | 3 \rangle [21][32]} \\
 & + \text{I}_4(s_{45}, s_{56}, s_{123}) \frac{s_{45}s_{56}s_{123}^3}{\langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 4 | K_{123} | 1 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{123} | 3 \rangle [21][32]} + \text{I}_4(s_{34}, s_{456}, s_{56}, s_{12}) \frac{s_{34}s_{456}s_{123}^3}{\langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 4 | K_{123} | 1 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{123} | 3 \rangle [21][32]} \\
 & + \text{I}_4(s_{23}, s_{345}, s_{45}, s_{16}) \left( -\frac{s_{23} \langle 3 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle^4}{\langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 3 | K_{612} | 6 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{612} | 2 \rangle [21][61]} - \frac{s_{23} \langle 12 \rangle^3 [54]^3}{\langle 16 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{612} | 5 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{612} | 3 \rangle [43]} \right) \\
 & + \text{I}_4(s_{16}, s_{12}, s_{345}) \left( -\frac{s_{12}s_{16} \langle 3 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle^4}{s_{345} \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 3 | K_{612} | 6 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{612} | 2 \rangle [21][61]} - \frac{s_{12}s_{16} \langle 12 \rangle^3 [54]^3}{s_{345} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{612} | 5 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{612} | 3 \rangle [43]} \right) \\
 & + \text{I}_4(s_{34}, s_{45}, s_{126}) \left( -\frac{s_{34}s_{45} \langle 3 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle^4}{s_{345} \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 3 | K_{612} | 6 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{612} | 2 \rangle [21][61]} - \frac{s_{34}s_{45} \langle 12 \rangle^3 [54]^3}{s_{345} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{612} | 5 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{612} | 3 \rangle [43]} \right) \\
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 & + \text{I}_4(s_{12}, s_{234}, s_{34}, s_{56}) \left( -\frac{s_{12} \langle 1 | K_{23} | 4 \rangle^4}{\langle 16 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{234} | 4 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{234} | 2 \rangle [32][43]} - \frac{s_{12} \langle 23 \rangle^3 [65]^3}{\langle 34 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{234} | 5 \rangle \langle 4 | K_{234} | 1 \rangle [61]} \right) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

# Further Reduction: Triangle Coefficients

- Complex parameterisation for the loop momentum: [Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau]

[Forde]



$$l^\nu = a_1(K_1^b)^\nu + a_2(K_2^b)^\nu + \frac{t}{2} \langle K_1^b | \gamma^\nu | K_2^b \rangle + \frac{a_3}{2t} \langle K_2^b | \gamma^\nu | K_1^b \rangle$$

$a_1, a_2, a_3$  fixed by on-shell constraints

- Consider  $t$  as a complex variable:

$$\int dt J_t A_1 A_2 A_3 = \int dt J_t \underbrace{\text{Inf}_t[A_1 A_2 A_3]}_{\text{Laurent series around } t = \infty} + \sum_i \frac{\text{Res}_{t=t_i}(A_1 A_2 A_3)}{(t - t_i)}$$

- Integrals over non-zero powers of  $t$  vanish

$$C_3 = - \sum_{\gamma} \text{Inf}_t[A_1 A_2 A_3] |_{t^0}$$

Laurent series around  $t = \infty$   
 $\text{Inf}_t[X(t)] = x_0 + x_1 t + x_2 t^2 + x_3 t^3$

# Triangle Contributions for $A_6^g$

$$C_{3;2345}(1^-, 2^+, 3^-, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) =$$

$$\frac{i\langle 12 \rangle^3 [61] \langle 36 \rangle^4}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 26 \rangle^4 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} - \frac{2i\langle 12 \rangle^2 \langle 13 \rangle [61] \langle 36 \rangle^3}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 26 \rangle^3 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{3i\langle 12 \rangle \langle 13 \rangle^2 [61] \langle 36 \rangle^2}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 26 \rangle^2 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} - \frac{2i\langle 13 \rangle^3 [61] \langle 36 \rangle}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 26 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle}$$

$$C_{3;12|345}(1^-, 2^+, 3^-, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{i\langle 12 \rangle^2 \langle 36 \rangle^3 [61]^3 \langle 16 \rangle^3}{\langle 26 \rangle^4 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 6|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2} - \frac{i\langle 12 \rangle \langle 36 \rangle^2 \langle 3|K_{12}|6 \rangle [61]^2 \langle 16 \rangle^3}{\langle 26 \rangle^3 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 6|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2} + \frac{2i\langle 36 \rangle \langle 3|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2 [61] \langle 16 \rangle^3}{\langle 26 \rangle^2 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 6|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2} + \\ & \frac{2i\langle 12 \rangle^2 \langle 36 \rangle^3 [61]^2 [62] \langle 16 \rangle^2}{\langle 26 \rangle^3 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 6|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2} + \frac{2i\langle 12 \rangle \langle 36 \rangle^2 \langle 3|K_{12}|6 \rangle [61] [62] \langle 16 \rangle^2}{\langle 26 \rangle^2 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 6|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2} + \frac{2i\langle 36 \rangle \langle 3|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2 [62] \langle 16 \rangle^2}{\langle 26 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 6|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2} + \\ & \frac{3i\langle 12 \rangle^2 \langle 36 \rangle^3 [61] [62]^2 \langle 16 \rangle}{\langle 26 \rangle^2 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 6|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2} + \frac{3i\langle 12 \rangle \langle 36 \rangle^2 \langle 3|K_{12}|6 \rangle [62]^2 \langle 16 \rangle}{\langle 26 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 6|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2} + \frac{2i\langle 12 \rangle^2 \langle 36 \rangle^3 [62]^3}{\langle 26 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 6|K_{12}|6 \rangle^2} \end{aligned}$$

Three-mass coefficients much longer ( $\sim 200$  terms)

# Matching to IR structure

- One and two mass triangles not unique, e.g.

$$I_3^{1m}(s) = -\frac{c_\Gamma}{s\epsilon^2} \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{-s} \right)^\epsilon$$

$$I_4^{1m}(s, t, M^2) = -\frac{2c_\Gamma}{st\epsilon^2} \left( \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{-s} \right)^\epsilon + \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{-t} \right)^\epsilon - \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{-M^2} \right)^\epsilon \right) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

- Universal IR pole structure

[Giele, Glover(1991)]

$$A_n^{(1)} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{-s_{i,i+1}} \right)^\epsilon + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-1})$$

- Eliminate triangles in favour of  $D = 6 - 2\epsilon$  dimensional box integrals
- Three-mass triangles still remain (only 4 non-zero coefficients in  $A_6^g$ )

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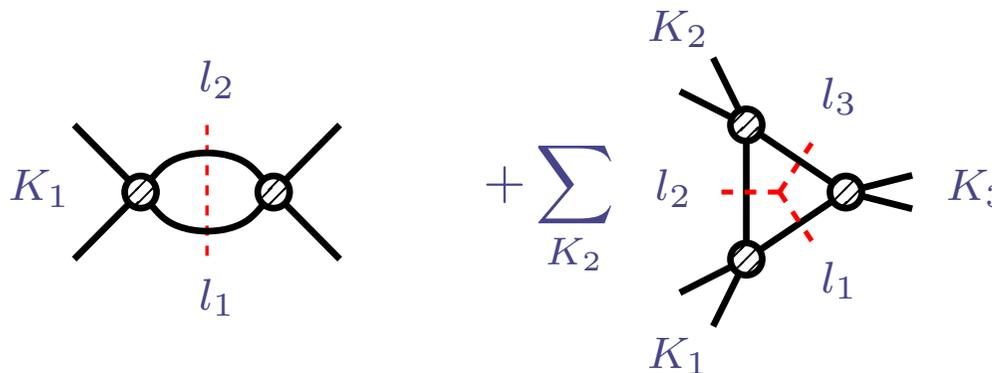
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 &I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{16}, s_{12}, s_{345}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{56}, s_{16}, s_{234}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{12}, s_{23}, s_{456}) + \\
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 C_{3+4}(1^-, 2^+, 3^-, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) &= -\frac{\langle 13 \rangle^4}{\langle 16 \rangle \langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \sum_{i=1}^6 \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{-s_{i,i+1}} \right)^\epsilon + \right. \\
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 &\left. + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{234}, s_{123}, s_{23}, s_{56}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{123}, s_{345}, s_{12}, s_{45}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{345}, s_{234}, s_{34}, s_{16}) \left( \frac{\langle 15 \rangle^4 \langle 23 \rangle^4}{\langle 13 \rangle^4 \langle 25 \rangle^4} + \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^4 \langle 35 \rangle^4}{\langle 13 \rangle^4 \langle 25 \rangle^4} \right) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

# Extracting Bubble Coefficients

- Two free integrations  $\rightarrow$  more complicated residue structure
- Coefficient still written in terms of “Inf” expansions

$$C_{2;K} = -i \text{Inf}_t [\text{Inf}_y [A_1 A_2] |_{t^0, y^k \rightarrow Y_k}] - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{y_{\pm}} \sum_{K_2} \text{Inf}_t [A_1 A'_2 A'_3 (K_2)] |_{t^k \rightarrow T_k}$$



- Alternative approaches:
  - Spinor Integration
  - Generalising Cauchy’s Theorem: Double cut from Stoke’s Theorem

[Britto, Buchbinder, Cachazo, Feng, Mastrolia]

[Mastrolia]

# Bubble Contributions for $A_6^g$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & C_2(1^-, 2^-, 3^+, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) = \\
 & I_2(s_{156}) \left( -\frac{\langle 15 \rangle^2 \langle 25 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle^2 [21]^3 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3s_{12}^3 (s_{16} - s_{156})^2 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} - \frac{\langle 15 \rangle \langle 25 \rangle^2 \langle 1 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle^2 \langle 2 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle [21]^3 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3s_{12}^3 (s_{16} - s_{156})^2 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{11 \langle 25 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{61} | 5 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} - \frac{11 \langle 15 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{61} | 5 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) + I_2(s_{16}) \left( \frac{\langle 15 \rangle^2 \langle 25 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle^2 [21]^3 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3s_{12}^3 (s_{16} - s_{156})^2 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right. \\
 & + \frac{\langle 15 \rangle \langle 25 \rangle^2 \langle 1 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle^2 \langle 2 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle [21]^3 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3s_{12}^3 (s_{16} - s_{156})^2 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{11 \langle 25 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{61} | 5 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{11 \langle 15 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{61} | 5 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \\
 & \left. + \frac{11 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) + I_2(s_{234}) \left( -\frac{\langle 14 \rangle^2 \langle 24 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{4561} | 4 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{4561} | 4 \rangle^2 [21]^3 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3s_{12}^3 (s_{23} - s_{234})^2 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{\langle 14 \rangle \langle 24 \rangle^2 \langle 1 | K_{4561} | 4 \rangle^2 \langle 2 | K_{4561} | 4 \rangle [21]^3 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3s_{12}^3 (s_{23} - s_{234})^2 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} - \frac{11 \langle 24 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{561} | 4 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} - \frac{11 \langle 14 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{561} | 4 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) \\
 & + I_2(s_{23}) \left( \frac{\langle 14 \rangle^2 \langle 24 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{4561} | 4 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{4561} | 4 \rangle^2 [21]^3 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3s_{12}^3 (s_{23} - s_{234})^2 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{\langle 14 \rangle \langle 24 \rangle^2 \langle 1 | K_{4561} | 4 \rangle^2 \langle 2 | K_{4561} | 4 \rangle [21]^3 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3s_{12}^3 (s_{23} - s_{234})^2 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{11 \langle 24 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{561} | 4 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{11 \langle 14 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{561} | 4 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{11 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

# Bubble Contributions for $A_6^g$

More IR fitting and spurious singularity structure analysis:

$$I_2(s) \rightarrow \{K_0(s), L_k(s, t)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{C}_2(1^-, 2^-, 3^+, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) = & \\ & \frac{11\langle 12 \rangle^3}{6\langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} (I_2(s_{61}) + I_2(s_{23})) \\ & + L_0(s_{16}, s_{156}) \left( \frac{11\langle 25 \rangle \langle 1|K_{61}|5][21]\langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12}\langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{11\langle 15 \rangle \langle 2|K_{61}|5][21]\langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12}\langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) \\ & + L_0(s_{23}, s_{234}) \left( \frac{11\langle 24 \rangle \langle 1|K_{561}|4][21]\langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12}\langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{11\langle 14 \rangle \langle 2|K_{561}|4][21]\langle 12 \rangle^3}{6s_{12}\langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) \\ & + L_2(s_{16}, s_{156}) \left( \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle 15 \rangle^2 \langle 25 \rangle \langle 1|K_{56}|5]\langle 2|K_{561}|5]^2[21]^3}{3s_{12}^3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle 15 \rangle \langle 25 \rangle^2 \langle 1|K_{56}|5]^2 \langle 2|K_{561}|5][21]^3}{3s_{12}^3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) \\ & + L_2(s_{23}, s_{234}) \left( \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle 14 \rangle^2 \langle 24 \rangle \langle 1|K_{56}|4]\langle 2|K_{561}|4]^2[21]^3}{3s_{12}^3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle 14 \rangle \langle 24 \rangle^2 \langle 1|K_{56}|4]^2 \langle 2|K_{561}|4][21]^3}{3s_{12}^3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) \end{aligned}$$

# Direct Extraction of $R_n$

- $D$ -dimensional cuts via massive cuts

[Bern,Morgan (1995)]

[Bern,Dixon,Dunbar,Kosower (1997)]

$$\int d^D l \prod_{i=1}^C \delta((l - K_i)^2) = \int d^{-2\epsilon} \mu \int d^4 \bar{l} \prod_{i=1}^C \delta((\bar{l} - K_i)^2 - \mu^2)$$

- Rational terms from boundary values of a contour intergral over  $\mu$  [SB(2008)]

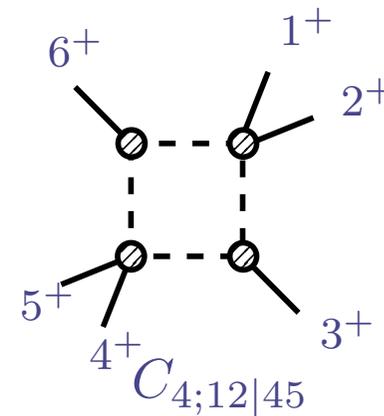
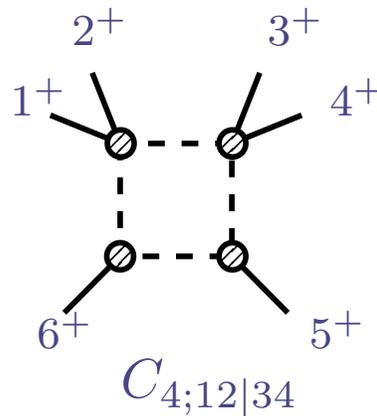
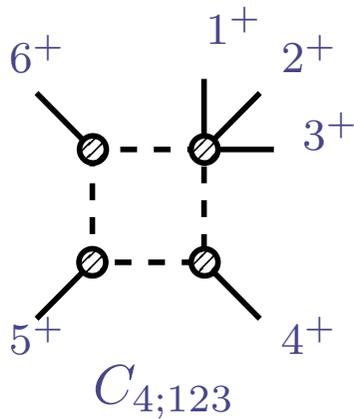
$$\begin{aligned} & \int d^{-2\epsilon} \mu \int d^4 \bar{l} \prod_{i=1}^4 \delta(\bar{l}_i^2 - \mu^2) A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4 \\ &= \oint d^{-2\epsilon} \mu \sum_{\sigma} \left[ \text{Inf}_{\mu^2} [A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4(\bar{l}^{\sigma})] + \sum_i \frac{\text{Res}_{\mu^2 = \mu_i^2} (A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4(\bar{l}^{\sigma}))}{\mu^2 - \mu_i^2} \right] \\ &\Rightarrow C_{4;K}^{[4]} = \sum_{\sigma} \text{Inf}_{\mu^2} [A_1 A_2 A_3 A_4(\bar{l}^{\sigma})] \Big|_{\mu^4} \end{aligned}$$

- Triangle and Bubble coefficients follow from similar analysis

# Rational Contributions to $A_6^g$

- Only need to consider massive internal scalar  $R_n^g = \left(1 - \frac{N_f}{N_c}\right) R_n^s$

$$R_6^g(1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) = -\frac{1}{6} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \left( C_{4;\sigma(1)\sigma(2)\sigma(3)}^{[4]} + C_{4;\sigma(1)\sigma(2)|\sigma(3)\sigma(4)}^{[4]} + \frac{1}{2} C_{4;\sigma(1)\sigma(2)|\sigma(4)\sigma(5)}^{[4]} \right)$$



Compact tree amplitudes from massive BCFW recursion

[SB,Glover,Khoze,Svrček (2005)]

# Rational Contributions to $A_6^g$

- Solution for loop momentum around  $\mu \rightarrow \infty$ , e.g. “ $s_{123}$ ” one-mass box:

$$l_1^\pm \xrightarrow{\mu \rightarrow \infty} \pm |\mu| \sqrt{\frac{\langle 5|6|4 \rangle}{\langle 4|6|5 \rangle s_{45}}} \left( |4\rangle [5| - \frac{\langle 4|6|5 \rangle}{\langle 5|6|4 \rangle} |5\rangle [6| \right)$$

$$A_6^{(1)}(1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \left( \frac{2i (s_{45} \langle 6|1 + 2|3 \rangle [51] [64]^2 - s_{46} \langle 5|1 + 2|3 \rangle [54]^2 [61]) [56]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \text{tr}_5(5, 4, 6, 1) \text{tr}_5(5, 4, 6, 3)} \right. \\ + \frac{2i \langle 5|1 + 2|6 \rangle \langle 6|1 + 2|5 \rangle [12] [43] [65]^2}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \text{tr}_5(5, 2, 6, 1) \text{tr}_5(5, 4, 6, 3)} \\ \left. + \frac{2i (\langle 3|1 + 2|3 \rangle \langle 6|1 + 2|6 \rangle - s_{36} s_{12}) [12] [54] [63]^2}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \text{tr}_5(2, 3, 6, 1) \text{tr}_5(5, 3, 6, 4)} \right)$$

# $D$ -dimensional cuts vs. On-shell recursion

- Alternative method for generating compact rational contributions:
  - Unitarity bootstrap method [Bern,Dixon,Kosower(2005)]
- Works efficiently for gluon amplitudes → not a universal approach
  - Gluon amplitudes,  $n \leq 8$  [Berger,Bern,Dixon,Forde,Kosower]
  - Higgs+4 partons [SB,Glover,Risager]
  - [Glover,Mastrolia,Williams]
  - [Berger,Del-Duca,Dixon;Dixon,Sofianatos]

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_6(1^+, 2^+, 3^+, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) = & -\frac{[32][41]}{3\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 45\rangle\langle 56\rangle} - \frac{\langle 35\rangle[32][51]}{3\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle\langle 56\rangle} - \frac{[42][51]}{3\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 56\rangle} \\
 & - \frac{\langle 13\rangle[43][51]}{3\langle 12\rangle\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 56\rangle} - \frac{[43][52]}{3\langle 12\rangle\langle 16\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 56\rangle} - \frac{\langle 36\rangle[32][61]}{3\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle\langle 56\rangle} - \frac{\langle 46\rangle[42][61]}{3\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle\langle 56\rangle} \\
 & - \frac{\langle 13\rangle\langle 46\rangle[43][61]}{3\langle 12\rangle\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle\langle 56\rangle} - \frac{[52][61]}{3\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle} - \frac{\langle 13\rangle[53][61]}{3\langle 12\rangle\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle} - \frac{\langle 14\rangle[54][61]}{3\langle 12\rangle\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle} \\
 & - \frac{\langle 46\rangle[43][62]}{3\langle 12\rangle\langle 16\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle\langle 56\rangle} - \frac{[53][62]}{3\langle 12\rangle\langle 16\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle} - \frac{\langle 24\rangle[54][62]}{3\langle 12\rangle\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 34\rangle\langle 45\rangle} - \frac{[54][63]}{3\langle 12\rangle\langle 16\rangle\langle 23\rangle\langle 45\rangle}
 \end{aligned}$$

- $D$ -dimensional cuts easier to implement numerically [Ellis et al.,Berger et al.]

# Full MHV amplitude

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{6;1}^{(1)}(1^-, 2^-, 3^+, 4^+, 5^+, 6^+) &= -\frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3}{\langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \sum_{i=1}^6 \left( \frac{\mu_R^2}{-s_{i,i+1}} \right)^\epsilon + \right. \\
&I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{16}, s_{12}, s_{345}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{56}, s_{16}, s_{234}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{12}, s_{23}, s_{456}) + \\
&I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{23}, s_{34}, s_{156}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{34}, s_{45}, s_{126}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{45}, s_{56}, s_{123}) + \\
&I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{123}, s_{234}, s_{23}, s_{56}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{234}, s_{345}, s_{34}, s_{16}) + I_4^{D=6-2\epsilon}(s_{345}, s_{456}, s_{45}, s_{12}) \left. \right) \\
&+ \frac{11 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} (I_2(s_{61}) + I_2(s_{23})) \\
&+ L_0(s_{16}, s_{156}) \left( \frac{11 \langle 25 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{61} | 5 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6 s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{11 \langle 15 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{61} | 5 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6 s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) \\
&+ L_0(s_{23}, s_{234}) \left( \frac{11 \langle 24 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{561} | 4 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6 s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{11 \langle 14 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{561} | 4 \rangle [21] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6 s_{12} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) \\
&+ L_2(s_{16}, s_{156}) \left( \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle 15 \rangle^2 \langle 25 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{56} | 5 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle^2 [21]^3}{3 s_{12}^3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle 15 \rangle \langle 25 \rangle^2 \langle 1 | K_{56} | 5 \rangle^2 \langle 2 | K_{561} | 5 \rangle [21]^3}{3 s_{12}^3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) \\
&+ L_2(s_{23}, s_{234}) \left( \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle 14 \rangle^2 \langle 24 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{56} | 4 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{561} | 4 \rangle^2 [21]^3}{3 s_{12}^3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} + \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle 14 \rangle \langle 24 \rangle^2 \langle 1 | K_{56} | 4 \rangle^2 \langle 2 | K_{561} | 4 \rangle [21]^3}{3 s_{12}^3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle} \right) \\
&- \frac{\langle 4 | K_{35} | 4 \rangle [53]^2 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3 s_{126} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{16} | 5 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{12} | 3 \rangle} + \frac{\langle 5 | K_{46} | 5 \rangle [64]^2 \langle 12 \rangle^3}{3 s_{123} \langle 23 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{23} | 4 \rangle \langle 3 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle} \\
&- \frac{\langle 35 \rangle [64] [65] \langle 12 \rangle^3}{6 \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{23} | 4 \rangle \langle 3 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle} + \frac{\langle 12 | K_{34} | 5 \rangle [53]^2 \langle 12 \rangle^2}{3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{16} | 5 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{12} | 3 \rangle} \\
&- \frac{\langle 1 | 4 | 3 \rangle \langle 12 \rangle^2}{6 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle [32]} + \frac{\langle 2 | 5 | 6 \rangle \langle 12 \rangle^2}{6 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle [61]} - \frac{\langle 1 | K_{24} | 3 \rangle \langle 1 | 4 | 3 \rangle \langle 12 \rangle}{6 s_{234} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle [32]} \\
&- \frac{[63]^3}{3 \langle 45 \rangle^2 [21] [32] [61]} + \frac{\langle 1 | 5 | 3 | 5 \rangle [53]^2 \langle 12 \rangle^2}{3 \langle 16 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{16} | 5 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{12} | 3 \rangle} - \frac{\langle 1 | K_{24} | 3 \rangle^2 \langle 12 \rangle}{3 s_{234} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle [32]} \\
&- \frac{\langle 15 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{56} | 5 \rangle \langle 3 | K_{34} | 5 \rangle [43] [65] \langle 12 \rangle}{6 s_{234} \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{23} | 4 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle} - \frac{\langle 24 \rangle \langle 35 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle [53]^2 [65] \langle 12 \rangle}{3 \langle 34 \rangle^2 \langle 45 \rangle \langle 2 | K_{16} | 5 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{12} | 3 \rangle [61]} \\
&+ \frac{\langle 5 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle^2 [65] \langle 12 \rangle}{6 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 3 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle [61]} - \frac{\langle 35 \rangle \langle 4 | K_{12} | 3 \rangle \langle 4 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle [53]}{3 \langle 34 \rangle^2 \langle 45 \rangle^2 \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle \langle 6 | K_{12} | 3 \rangle [21] [61]} \\
&- \frac{\langle 35 \rangle \langle 4 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle^2 [63]}{3 \langle 34 \rangle^2 \langle 45 \rangle^2 \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle [21] [61]} - \frac{\langle 15 \rangle^2 \langle 16 \rangle [43]^3 [65]}{3 s_{234} \langle 56 \rangle^2 \langle 1 | K_{23} | 4 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle [32]} - \frac{\langle 15 \rangle^2 \langle 1 | K_{24} | 3 \rangle [43]^2 [65]}{3 s_{234} \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{23} | 4 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle [32]} \\
&- \frac{\langle 4 | K_{35} | 5 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle^2 [65]}{3 \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle^2 \langle 56 \rangle \langle 3 | K_{12} | 6 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle [21] [61]} + \frac{\langle 35 \rangle \langle 1 | K_{24} | 3 \rangle^3}{3 s_{234} \langle 16 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 5 | K_{34} | 2 \rangle [32]}
\end{aligned}$$

# Progress for LHC processes

- Easy extensions for massive internal propagators [Kilgore]
  - Loop momentum parameterisation unchanged
  - Re-solve on-shell constraints
- Application for massive fermion amplitudes [Ellis,Giele,Kunzt,Melnikov]  
[SB]
- Combination with real radiation:
  - MadDipole [Frederix,Gehrmann,Greiner]
  - Sherpa [Gleisberg,Krauss]
  - Automated Dipole Subtraction [Hasegawa,Moch,Uwer]
- Efficient scaling with increasing number of external legs
  - 20 gluon amplitudes! [Giele,Zanderighi]

# Conclusions

- Efficient techniques for one-loop amplitude calculations
  - Successful numerical implementations [ROCKET, BlackHat, Helac-1loop]
  - Full cross-section for  $W + 3j$  [Berger et al.]
- Automation of analytic extraction: FORM, Maple
  - Compact(ish) formulae
  - Internal masses
  - Arbitrary helicity configurations
- Open questions
  - Systematic treatment of IR consistency conditions?
  - Generalisations to higher loops in QCD?

# Additional Slides

# Spinor-Helicity Method

Two-component Weyl-spinor representation:

[Good Review: Mangano, Parke (1991)]

$$\langle pq \rangle = e^{i\theta_{pq}} \sqrt{|p \cdot q|}$$

$$[pq] = e^{-i\theta_{pq}} \sqrt{|p \cdot q|}$$

Momenta translated to matrix representation with Pauli matrices:

$$p^\mu = \frac{1}{2} \langle p | \bar{\sigma}^\mu | p \rangle$$

Fermion wave-functions

$$u_+(p) = |p\rangle$$

$$u_-(p) = |p]$$

$$\bar{u}_+(p) = \langle p|$$

$$\bar{u}_-(p) = [p|$$

Polarisation vectors in light-like axial gauge

$$\varepsilon_+^\mu(p, \xi) = \frac{\langle \xi | \bar{\sigma}^\mu | p \rangle}{\sqrt{2} \langle \xi p \rangle}$$

$$\varepsilon_-^\mu(p, \xi) = \frac{\langle p | \bar{\sigma}^\mu | \xi \rangle}{\sqrt{2} [p \xi]}$$

# BCFW Recursion

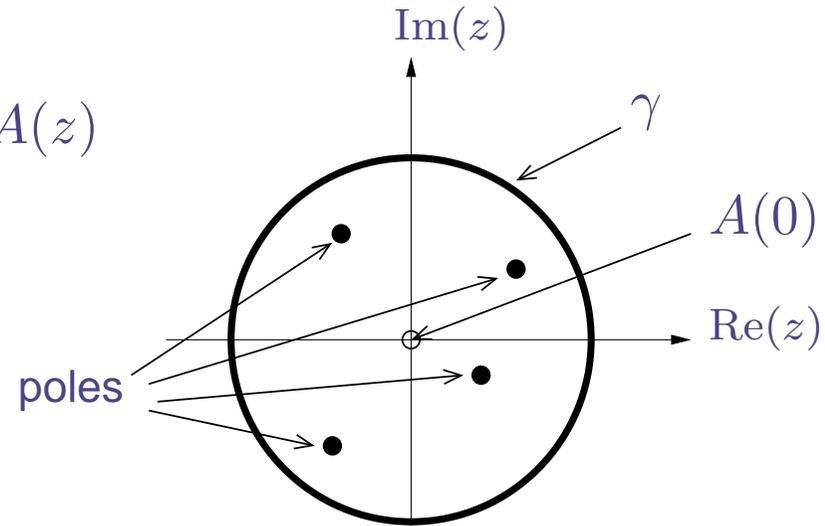
[Britto, Cachazo, Feng, Witten]

$n$ -particle tree amplitude with complex deformation  $\langle p_1, p_2 \rangle \rightarrow \langle p_1(z), p_2(z) \rangle$ ,

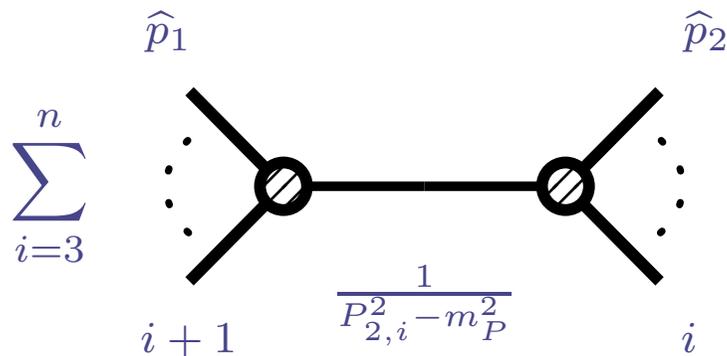
$$A(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n) \rightarrow A(\widehat{p}_1(z), \widehat{p}_2(z), \dots, p_n) = A(z)$$

Momentum conservation:  $\widehat{p}_1(z) + \widehat{p}_2(z) = p_1 + p_2$

On-shell conditions:  $\widehat{p}_1(z)^2 = 0, \widehat{p}_2(z)^2 = 0$



$$0 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} dz \frac{A(z)}{z} = A(0) + \sum_{i=3}^{n-1} A_L(z_i) \frac{1}{P_i^2 - m_i^2} A_R(z_i) + A_{\infty}$$



Massive particles [SB, Glover, Khoze, Svrček]  
 One-loop generalisations [Bern, Dixon, Kosower]

# D-Dimensional Cuts and Rational Terms

- Full loop amplitudes from D-dimensional cuts

[Bern,Morgan (1995)]

- Expanded integral basis:  $l_D = l_4 + l_{-2\epsilon} \Rightarrow l_4^2 = \mu^2$

[Bern,Dixon,Dunbar,Kosower (1997)]

[Ossola,Papadopoulos,Pittau (2006)]

[Anastasiou,Britto,Feng,Kunszt,Mastrolia (2006)]

[Britto,Feng,Mastrolia;Yang (2008)]

[Giele,Kunszt,Melnikov (2008)]

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_n^{(1),D}(\{p_i\}) = & \sum_{K_5} C_{5;K_5} \text{ (pentagon diagram) } \\
 & + \sum_{K_4} C_{4;K_4}^{[0]} \text{ (square diagram) } + \sum_{K_4} C_{4;K_4}^{[2]} \mu^2 \text{ (square diagram with } \mu^2 \text{) } + \sum_{K_4} C_{4;K_4}^{[4]} \mu^4 \text{ (square diagram with } \mu^4 \text{) } \\
 & + \sum_{K_3} C_{3;K_3} \text{ (triangle diagram) } + \sum_{K_3} C_{3;K_3}^{[2]} \mu^2 \text{ (triangle diagram with } \mu^2 \text{) } \\
 & + \sum_{K_2} C_{2;K_2} \text{ (bubble diagram) } + \sum_{K_2} C_{2;K_2}^{[2]} \mu^2 \text{ (bubble diagram with } \mu^2 \text{) }
 \end{aligned}$$

# D-Dimensional Cuts and Rational Terms

- Take the  $D \rightarrow 4 - 2\epsilon$  limit

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_n^{(1),4-2\epsilon}(\{p_i\}) = & \sum_{K_4} C_{4;K_4} \text{[Square Diagram]} + \sum_{K_4} C_{4;K_4}^{[4]} \text{[Square Diagram with } \mu^4 \text{]} \\
 & + \sum_{K_3} C_{3;K_3} \text{[Triangle Diagram]} + \sum_{K_3} C_{3;K_3}^{[2]} \text{[Triangle Diagram with } \mu^2 \text{]} \\
 & + \sum_{K_2} C_{2;K_2} \text{[Bubble Diagram]} + \sum_{K_2} C_{2;K_2}^{[2]} \text{[Bubble Diagram with } \mu^2 \text{]} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)
 \end{aligned}$$

# D-Dimensional Cuts and Rational Terms

- Evaluate three non-zero integrals

[Bern,Morgan (1995)]

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Box}(\mu^4) &= -\frac{1}{6} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) & \text{Triangle}(\mu^2) &= -\frac{1}{2} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \\
 \text{Bubble}(\mu^2) &= -\frac{K^2 - 3(m_1^2 + m_2^2)}{6} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Identify rational contribution

[Giele,Kunszt,Melnikov]

[Ossola,Papdopoulos,Pittau]

[Britto,Feng,Mastrolia;Yang]

$$R_n(\{p_i\}) = -\frac{1}{6} \sum_{K_4} C_{4;K_4}^{[4]} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{K_3} C_{3;K_3}^{[2]} - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{K_2} K_2^2 - 3(m_1^2 + m_2^2) C_{2;K_2}^{[2]}$$