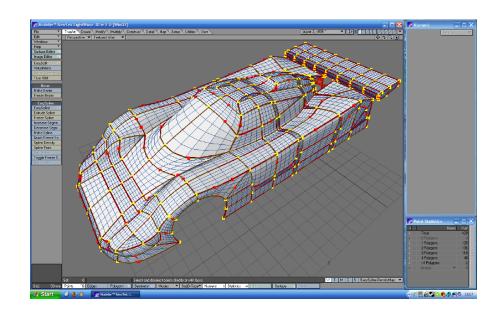


LOOPS AND SPLINES

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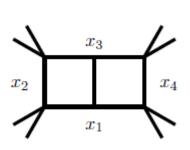
Conformal Integrals

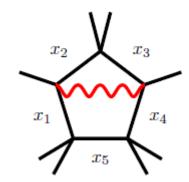
- Relevant for CFT computations, Witten diagrams, and dual conformal invariant loop integrals.
- Definition: integrals which lead to expressions depending only on cross-ratios.
 - E.g. at four points

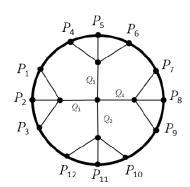
$$u = \frac{x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}, \qquad v = \frac{x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}$$

$$v = \frac{x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}$$

Examples:

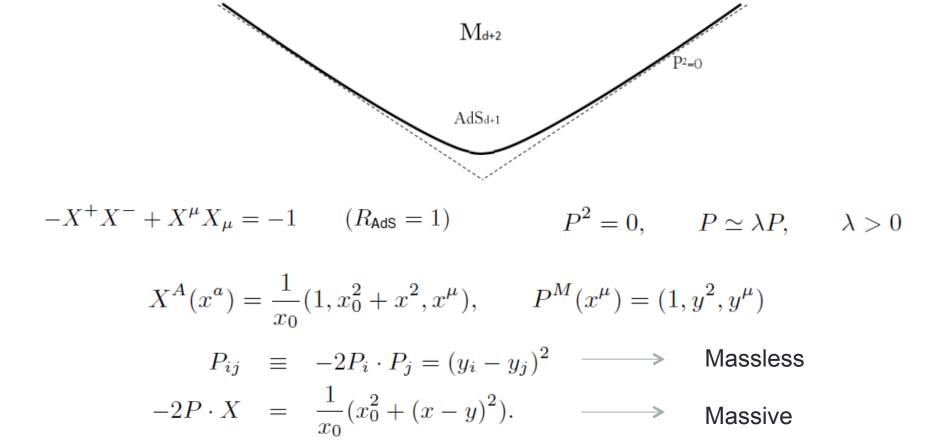






Embedding Space

Idea: AdS_{d+1} and its boundary as hypersurfaces in d+2 Minkowski space. Conformal group SO(d+1,1) is simply Lorentz group.

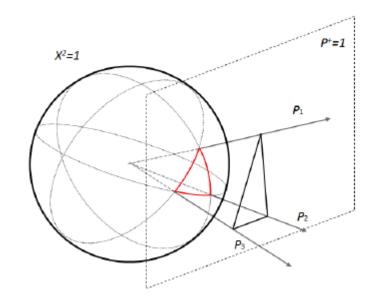


 The 4d box integral is given by the volume of a hyperbolic tetrahedron in AdS5

Mason, Skinner;

Davydychev, Delbourgo; Schnetz

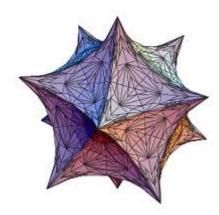
$$= \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^4 Q}{2\pi^2} \frac{1}{(P_1 \cdot Q) (P_2 \cdot Q) (P_3 \cdot Q) (P_4 \cdot Q)}$$



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 for Simplex $\simeq rac{\mathrm{Vol}_H(S_3)}{\mathrm{Vol}_E(S_3)}$

- The 4d box integral is given by the volume of a hyperbolic tetrahedron in AdS₅
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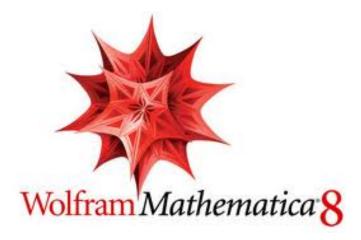
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Coincidence?!



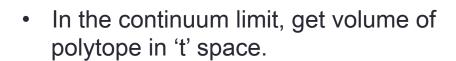
- How much of this story generalizes? (other dimensions, propagator weights, masses, AdS/CFT integrals...)
- Is there a geometric interpretation of higher loop integrals?
- ... Ultimately, can this lead to a better understanding of the geometry of integrated N=4 amplitudes?

Detour: counting points in polytopes

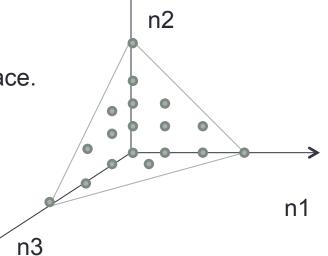
$$d_{\{q_i\}}(Q) = \#\left\{\{n_i\} | \sum_{i} n_i q_i = Q\right\}$$

Set of linear equations define surface in `n' space.

$$\left(q_1\Big|\dots\Big|q_m\right).$$
 $\begin{pmatrix}n_1\\\vdots\\n_m\end{pmatrix}=\left(Q\right)$



$$d_{\{q_i\}}(Q) \to \mathcal{T}(Q, \{q_i\}) = \int_0^{+\infty} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathrm{d}t_i \, \delta(Q - \sum t_i q_i)$$
 SPLINE!



Generating function

To compute degeneracy, introduce generating function

$$\sum_{Q} d_{\{q_i\}}(Q)e^{-Q\cdot\mu} = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{1 - e^{-q_i\cdot\mu}}$$

Continuum limit:

$$\int dQ \, \mathcal{T}_{\{q_i\}}(Q) \, e^{-Q \cdot \mu} \to \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{q_i \cdot \mu}$$

$$= \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^4 Q}{2\pi^2} \frac{1}{(P_1 \cdot Q)(P_2 \cdot Q)(P_3 \cdot Q)(P_4 \cdot Q)}$$

Spline as Laplace transform

$$\prod_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\Gamma(\Delta_{i})}{(P_{i} \cdot Q)^{\Delta_{i}}} = \int_{0}^{+\infty} D_{\Delta}^{n} t \, e^{Q \cdot (\sum_{i} t_{i} P_{i})} = \int_{\mathbb{M}^{D}} dX \, e^{Q \cdot X} \, \mathcal{T}_{\{\Delta_{i}\}}(X; \{P_{i}\})$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{\{\Delta_i\}}(X; \{P_i\}) = \int_0^{+\infty} D_{\Delta}^n t \, \, \delta(X - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i P_i)$$

$$D_{\Delta}^n t \, \equiv \, \prod_{i=1}^n \mathrm{d}t_i \, t_i^{\Delta_i - 1}$$

- The spline captures the geometry associated to the integrand.
- Rational function identities map onto geometrical identities

Computing the Spline

 The computation depends crucially on the number of nodes vs dimension

$$\mathcal{T}_{\{\Delta_i\}}(X; \{P_i\}) = \int_0^{+\infty} D_{\Delta}^n t \ \delta(X - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i P_i)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
P_1 \middle| \dots \middle| P_n
\end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix}
t_1 \\
\vdots \\
t_n
\end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix}
X
\end{pmatrix} \qquad T = M^{-1}X$$

$$t_i = W_i \cdot X$$

$$M \qquad T$$

$$W_i \cdot P_j = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{\{\Delta_i\}}(X;\{X_i\}) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{D} (W_i \cdot X)^{\Delta_i - 1} \Theta(W_i \cdot X)}{\sqrt{\det P_i \cdot P_j}}$$
 (n=D=d+2)

Geometric picture

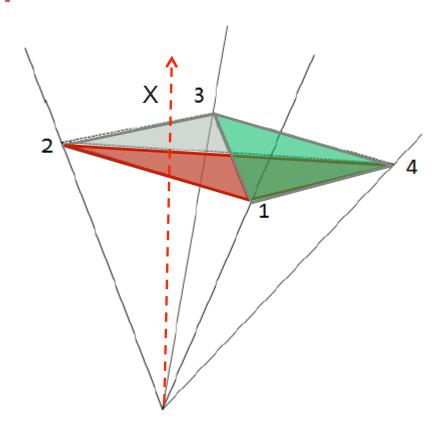
$$\mathcal{T}(X; \{P_i\}) = \int_0^{+\infty} \prod_{i=1}^n dt_i \, \delta^{(D)}(X - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i P_i)$$

- Worldsheet: the spline computes the volume of a polytope in t space.
- **Target space**: The spline is a distribution in X, with support on the *polyhedral cone* spanned by the vectors P_i.
- *n=D* worldsheet polytope is a point "volume" is a constant. Target space gives the characteristic function of the cone.
- Characteristic function: it is the intersection of several halfspaces defined by hyperplanes – the W_i vectors.

$$\mathcal{T}(X; \{P_i\}) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{D} \Theta(W_i \cdot X)}{\sqrt{\det P_i \cdot P_j}}$$

General Geometric picture

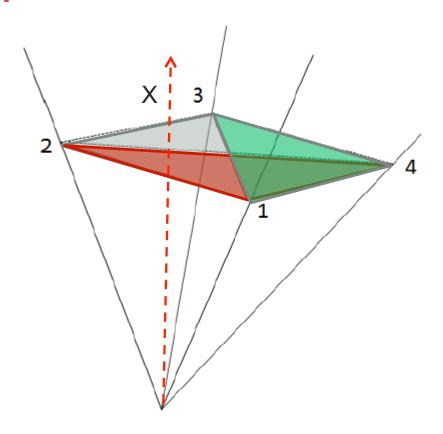
- n<D: spline is a distribution in X.
- n>D: worldsheet polytope is non trivial, with a volume that scales homogeneously with X.
- Spline is a sum of local homogeneous forms in X of degree n-D. One form per simplicial cone decomposing the full polyhedral cone.
- Spline continuous with discontinuous (n-D) derivative across simplicial cells. At the cell walls, worldsheet volume vanishes.



Target space picture

General Geometric picture

- More generally, the P_i vectors fit into some (D x n) matrix M
- The ``shape" of the spline (cell structure) only depends on the class of M in the matroid stratification of the Grassmannian Gr(D,n).
- The spline itself depends on M as an element of
- GL(n,D)/SO(d+1,1)



Target space picture

Computing the spline

- How to determine the spline?
- Use Laplace transform+partial fractions:
- Ex: n=4 in D=3

$$P_4 = (W_{23}^1 \cdot P_4)P_1 + (W_{31}^2 \cdot P_4)P_2 + (W_{12}^3 \cdot P_4)P_3$$

$$\begin{split} \prod_{i=1}^4 \frac{1}{P_i \cdot Q} &= \frac{W_{23}^1 \cdot P_4}{(P_2 \cdot Q)(P_3 \cdot Q)(P_4 \cdot Q)^2} + \\ &\frac{W_{31}^2 \cdot P_4}{(P_1 \cdot Q)(P_3 \cdot Q)(P_4 \cdot Q)^2} + \frac{W_{12}^3 \cdot P_4}{(P_1 \cdot Q)(P_2 \cdot Q)(P_4 \cdot Q)^2} \end{split}$$

n=D we already know this case!

$$\frac{W_{23}^{1} \cdot P_{4}}{(P_{2} \cdot Q)(P_{3} \cdot Q)(P_{4} \cdot Q)^{2}} = W_{23}^{1} \cdot \partial_{Q} \left[\underbrace{\frac{1}{(P_{2} \cdot Q)(P_{3} \cdot Q)(P_{4} \cdot Q)}}_{= \int dX \, e^{-Q \cdot X} (W_{23}^{1} \cdot X) \, \mathcal{T}_{1,1,1}(X, \{P_{2}, P_{3}, P_{4}\}) \right]$$

A piece of the new spline, which is now linear in X

Computing integrals

$$\prod_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\Gamma(\Delta_i)}{(P_i \cdot Q)^{\Delta_i}} = \int_0^{+\infty} D_{\Delta}^n t \, e^{Q \cdot (\sum_i t_i P_i)} = \int_{\mathbb{M}^D} dX \, e^{Q \cdot X} \, \mathcal{T}_{\{\Delta_i\}}(X; \{P_i\})$$

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}^d Q}{2\pi^{d/2}} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\Gamma(\Delta_i)}{(P_i \cdot Q)^{\Delta_i}} \longrightarrow \int_{\mathbb{M}^D} \mathrm{d}X \, e^{X^2} \, \mathcal{T}_{\{\Delta_i\}}(X; \{P_i\})$$

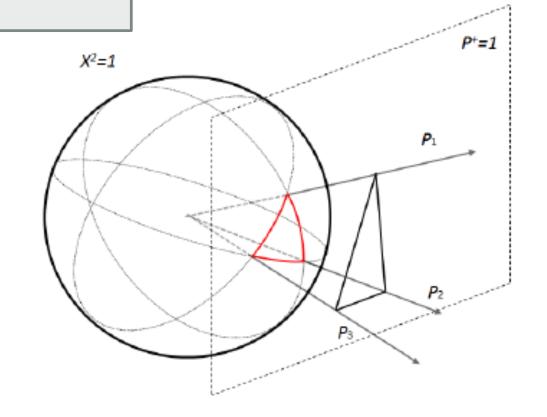
- One-loop integrals are Gaussian integrals over cones.
- But! Spline is homogeneous in |X|; integral can be performed.
- Result:

$$\int_{\mathrm{AdS}_{d+1}} \mathrm{d}X \, \mathcal{T}_{\{\Delta\}}(X, \{P_i\})$$

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Analog:

Intersecting a cone with a sphere, gives spherical angle



- Applications:
 - The conformal ``star integrals":

$$I^{(n)} = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^d x}{i\pi^{d/2}} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(x_i - x)^2} = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^d Q}{i\pi^{d/2}} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-2P_i \cdot Q)}$$

$$\int_{\text{AdS}_{d+1}} dX \, \mathcal{T}_{\{\Delta\}}(X, \{P_i\}) = \int_{\text{AdS}} dX \frac{\chi_C(X)}{\sqrt{\det P_i \cdot P_j}} = \frac{V_H(S_n)}{V_E(S_n)}$$

 Generalization of the star-triangle relation: stars get glued up into AdS hyperbolic simplices!

$$V^{(n-1)} = \frac{\sqrt{|\det P_{ij}|}}{2^{\frac{n}{2}}\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} I^{(n)}$$

n=3 - triangle
$$I^{(3)} = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3}{\sqrt{P_{12}\,P_{13}\,P_{23}}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad V^{(2)} \; = \; \pi$$

n=4 - box
$$= \frac{\text{Li}_2(x_+/x_-) - \text{Li}_2\left(\frac{1-x_+}{1-x_-}\right) + \text{Li}_2\left(\frac{1-1/x_+}{1-1/x_-}\right) - (x_+ \leftrightarrow x_-)}{\sqrt{\det x_{ij}^2}}$$

n=5 - pentagon

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n=6 - hexagon

Schlafli's formula and pentagon

$$dV_k = \frac{-1}{2i(k-1)} \sum_{i< j}^n V_{(k-2)}^{(ij)} (-1)^{i+j} d\log \left(\frac{W_i \cdot W_j + \sqrt{(W_i \cdot W_j)^2 - W_i^2 W_j^2}}{W_i \cdot W_j - \sqrt{(W_i \cdot W_j)^2 - W_i^2 W_j^2}} \right)$$

For n=5, lower dimensional volume is constant! Easy to compute:

$$\tilde{I}^{(5)} = \frac{\pi^{\frac{3}{2}}}{2\sqrt{-\Delta^{(5)}}} (1 + g + g^2 + g^3 + g^4) \left\{ \log \left| \left(\frac{r - \sqrt{-\Delta^{(5)}}}{r + \sqrt{-\Delta^{(5)}}} \right) \left(\frac{s - \sqrt{-\Delta^{(5)}}}{s + \sqrt{-\Delta^{(5)}}} \right) \right| \right\}$$

$$\Delta^{(5)} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\det P_{ij}}{P_{13} P_{14} P_{24} P_{25} P_{35}}$$

$$= 1 - [u_1(1 - u_3(1 + u_4) + u_2 u_4^2) + \text{cyclic}] - u_1 u_2 u_3 u_4 u_5$$

$$r = \frac{(1 - u_2)(1 - u_5) - u_1(2 - u_3 - u_4 - u_3u_5 - u_2u_4 + u_1u_3u_4)}{2},$$

$$s = \frac{(1 - u_5)(1 - u_2u_5) - u_1(1 + u_5 - 2u_3u_5 + u_4 + u_2u_4u_5 + u_1u_4)}{2\sqrt{u_1u_5}}$$

What about hexagon?

Hexagon interesting since it's related to double box.

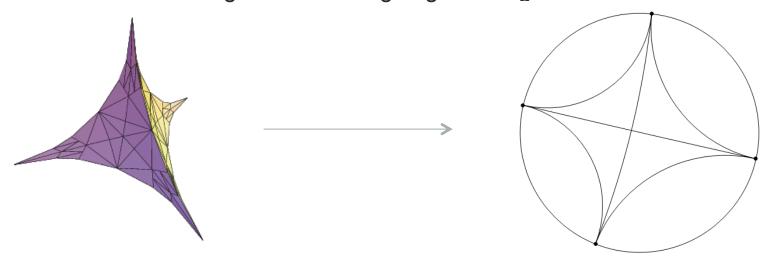
$$(u,\ldots) = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{u}^{+\infty} \frac{du'}{u'}$$

$$= \int_{u_8}^{+\infty} \frac{du'_8}{u'_8} \frac{\text{Li}_3(\ldots) + \ldots}{\sqrt{\Delta^{(6)}}}$$
Hyperbolic volume

- Schlafli's formula translates into a formula for the hexagon symbol.
- Unfortunately, seems hard to integrate it...

Simplices in 2d kinematics

- A tractable case is when kinematics are 2d.
- For n>4, (n-1) hyperbolic simplex cannot fit into an AdS₃ > VH = 0
- However, star integrals are ratios of volumes, both going to zero leads to finite answer.
- (n-1) simplex ``shatters" into several hyperbolic tetrahedra.
- 1d kinematics analog: tetrahedron going to triangles

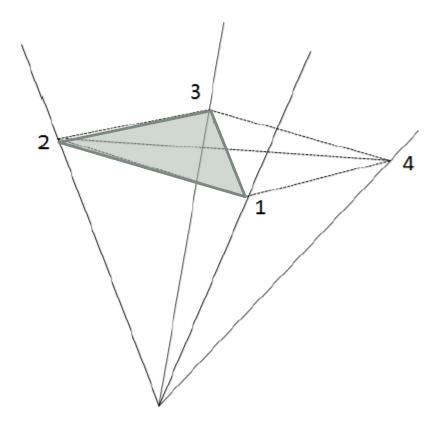


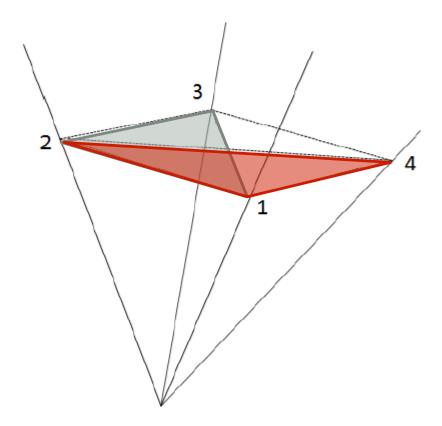
Spline computation

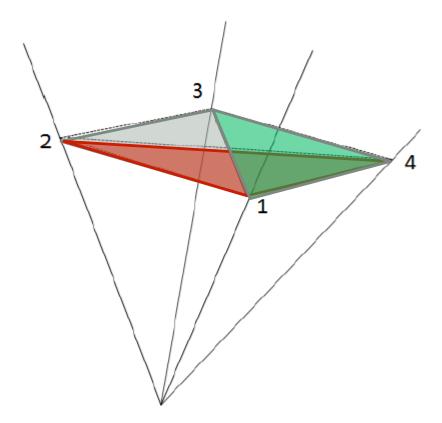
- We are in a situation where effectively, n>D=d+2 (d=2)
- Spline is computed as before: via partial fractions.
- For vectors in general position, the final result is

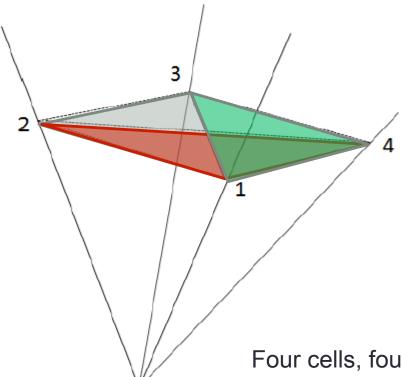
$$T(X; \{P_i\}) = \sum_{\{b\}} \frac{(W_1^{(b)} \cdot X)^2}{(W_1^{(b)} \cdot \hat{P}_1^{(b)})(W_1^{(b)} \cdot \hat{P}_2^{(b)})} \frac{\chi_{(b)}}{\sqrt{\det b^T b}}$$

• The sum runs over the set of unbroken basis **b**; the corresponding simplicial cones pave the full polyhedral cone.









Four cells, four local homogeneous forms, but not all independent – smaller set suffices to encode the full spline. Such a set labelled by unbroken basis.

The integrals

The integral becomes sum of terms of the form

$$\int dX e^{X^2} \frac{(W_1^{(b)} \cdot X)^2}{(W_1^{(b)} \cdot \hat{P}_1^{(b)})(W_1^{(b)} \cdot \hat{P}_2^{(b)})} \frac{\chi_{(b)}}{\sqrt{\det b^T b}}$$

- Integrate by parts! Two type of terms, boxes and lower dim simplices
- Experimentally, coefficients of lower dim simplices vanish (implies constant transcendentality!)
- Result: hexagon in 2d is sum of boxes with well defined coefficients,

$$\frac{(W_1^{(b)})^2}{(W_1^{(b)} \cdot \hat{P}_1^{(b)})(W_1^{(b)} \cdot \hat{P}_2^{(b)})} \int \mathrm{d}X e^{X^2} \, \frac{\chi_{(b)}}{\sqrt{\det b^T \, b}}$$
Box integral

2d Hexagon

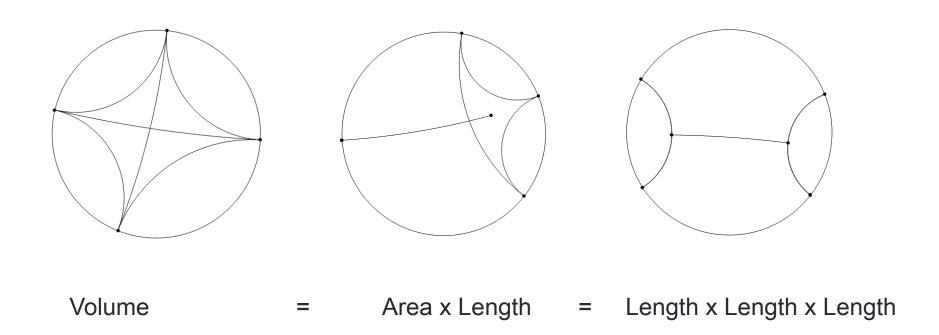
$$I_{6} = \frac{(2n-4)!!}{2^{n-2}} \frac{\chi_{1}^{-} \chi_{2}^{-} \chi_{1}^{+}}{\left(\left(\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{2}^{-}\right) \chi_{1}^{+} + \left(\chi_{1}^{-} + 1\right) \chi_{2}^{-} \chi_{3}^{+}\right) \left(-\chi_{1}^{+} + \chi_{3}^{+} + \chi_{1}^{-} \left(\chi_{3}^{+} + 1\right)\right)} \times \frac{\left(\chi_{1}^{-} + 1\right) \left(\chi_{1}^{+} - \chi_{3}^{+}\right) \left(\chi_{3}^{+} + 1\right)^{2}}{\left(\chi_{3}^{+} \left(\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}\right) + \chi_{1}^{-} \left(\left(\chi^{+}\right)_{3}^{2} + \chi_{1}^{+} - \chi_{2}^{+} \left(\chi_{3}^{+} + 1\right)\right)\right)} \times B + \dots,$$

$$B = 2 \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{1}^{+} - \chi_{3}^{+}}{\chi_{2}^{+} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) + 2 \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}{\chi_{3}^{+} \chi_{1}^{-} + \chi_{1}^{-}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}{\chi_{3}^{+} \chi_{1}^{-} + \chi_{1}^{-}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}{\chi_{3}^{+} \chi_{1}^{-} + \chi_{1}^{-}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}{\chi_{3}^{+} \chi_{1}^{-} + \chi_{1}^{-}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{1}^{+} - \chi_{3}^{+}}{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) \left(\chi_{3}^{+} + 1\right) \left(\chi_{3}^{+} + 1\right) \left(\chi_{3}^{+} + 1\right) \left(\chi_{3}^{+} + 1\right) + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) + \frac{\pi^{2}}{3} \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) \operatorname{Li}_{2} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{3}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) + \frac{\pi^{2}}{3} \operatorname{Li}_{3} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) \operatorname{Li}_{3} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{2}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) + \frac{\pi^{2}}{3} \operatorname{Li}_{3} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{1}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) \operatorname{Li}_{3} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{2}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) \operatorname{Li}_{3} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{3}^{-} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) \operatorname{Li}_{3} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{1}^{+}}{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) \operatorname{Li}_{3} \left(\frac{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{3}^{+}}{\chi_{3}^{+} - \chi_{3}^{+}}\right) \operatorname{Li}$$

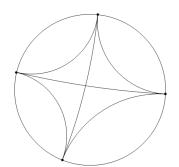
The χ variables encode the 6 independent cross-ratios for 6 pts in 2d.

Convolutions

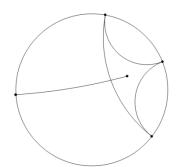
 Remarkably, single and higher loop integrals can be written in terms of spline convolutions.



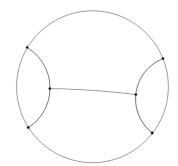
Convolutions



$$\int_{AdS} dX \, \mathcal{T}(X, \{P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4\})$$

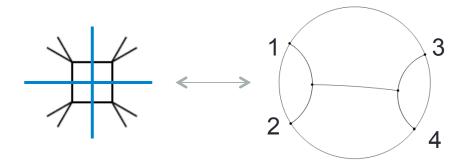


$$\int_{\text{AdS}} dX dX' \, \mathcal{T}_{1,3}(X, \{P_4, X'\}) \, \mathcal{T}(X', \{P_1, P_2, P_3\})$$

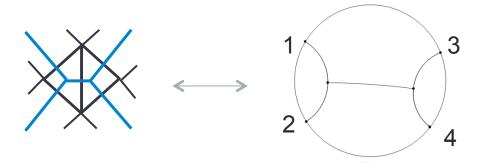


$$\int_{\text{AdS}} dX dX_1 dX_2 \, \mathcal{T}_{2,2}(X, \{X_1, X_2\}) \, \mathcal{T}(X_1, \{P_1, P_2\}) \mathcal{T}(X_2, \{P_3, P_4\})$$

From convolutions to multi-loops

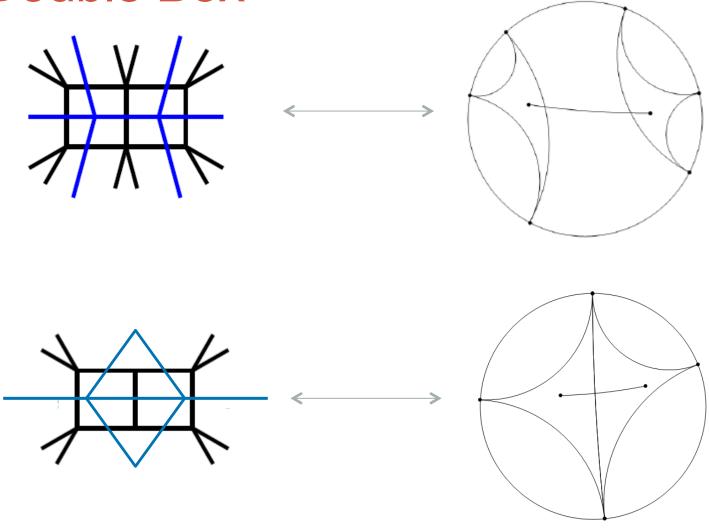


$$\int_{\text{AdS}} dX dX_1 dX_2 \, \mathcal{T}_{2,2}(X, \{X_1, X_2\}) \, \mathcal{T}(X_1, \{P_1, P_2\}) \mathcal{T}(X_2, \{P_3, P_4\})$$



$$\int_{\text{AdS}} dX dX_1 dX_2 \mathcal{T}_{1,3}(X, \{X_1, X_2\}) \mathcal{T}(X_1, \{P_1, P_2\}) \mathcal{T}(X_2, \{P_3, P_4\})$$

Double Box



Conclusions and Outlook

- Splines geometrization of loop integrals and rational function identities.
- Interesting links to matroid theory and hyperplane arrangements
- Most of the work done for one-loop; how do interesting 2-loop calculations (e.g. 4 pt stress-tensor) look like geometrically?
- Connections to Grassmannian story?
- Splines are continuum limit of what? (Spoiler: non-local field theories)

Thank you!

Beyond polylogs

$$(u,\ldots) = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{u}^{+\infty} \frac{du'}{u'}$$

$$(u,\ldots) = \int_{u_8}^{+\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}u_8'}{u_8'} \frac{\mathrm{Li}_3(\ldots) + \ldots}{\sqrt{\Delta^{(6)}}}$$

$$\Delta^{(6)} = \left[4 u_1 u_2 u_5 u_6 u_7 u_9 u_8^3 + \text{lower-order terms in } u_8 \right]$$

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}u_8}{u_8\sqrt{(u_8-a)(u_8-b)(u_8-c)}} \cdot \text{Elliptic functions}$$

Embedding space formalism

- Integrals with numerators can also be addressed though no Feynman rules for those.
- Picture is clearer in embedding space: go to d+2 dimensions to linearize action of the conformal group, SO(d+1,1)

$$P^{M}P_{M} = -P^{+}P^{-} + P^{\mu}P_{\mu} = 0, \qquad P \simeq \lambda P$$

$$\frac{P^{M}}{-P \cdot I} = \sqrt{2}(1, x^{2}, x^{\mu}) \qquad \qquad P_{ij} \equiv \frac{(-P_{i} \cdot P_{j})}{(-P_{i} \cdot I)(-P_{j} \cdot I)} = (x_{i} - x_{j})^{2}$$

• "I" is a fixed reference vector which set the mass scale. It breaks SO(d+1,1) conformal symmetry. In conformal expressions it must always drop out!

Dealing with numerators

One-loop integral with two numerators (chiral hexagon)

$$I_6^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int d^4Q \, \frac{(-Q \cdot Y)(-Q \cdot Y')}{\prod_{i=1}^6 (-P_i \cdot Q)} \qquad Y \cdot P_i = 0, \qquad i = 1, \dots, 4,$$
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After a little work,

$$= \, Y_A \, Y_B' \left(\eta^{AB} - \sum_{i,j} \frac{P_i^A P_j^B}{P_{ij}} \hat{\partial}_{ij} + \sum_i P_i^A P_i^B \hat{S}_i \right) \left[\oint \mathrm{d}\delta_{ij} \prod_{i < j} \Gamma(\delta_{ij}) \, P_{ij}^{-\delta_{ij}} \right]$$

M=1, star integral!

Dealing with numerators

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In terms of cross-ratios:

(Result first obtained in ...)

Consequences of Feynman rules

The factorized form of Mellin amplitudes can be put to good use:

$$M^f(s) = \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x} \, x^s \, f(x), \qquad M^g(s) = \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x} \, x^s \, g(x).$$

$$h(x) = \oint \frac{\mathrm{d}s}{2\pi i} M^f(s) M^g(s) x^{-s} = \oint \frac{\mathrm{d}s}{2\pi i} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{y} y^s f(y) M^g(s) x^{-s}$$
$$= \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{y} f(y) g(x/y).$$

Final position space expression is convolution of simpler integrals.