Progress on Color-Dual Loop Amplitudes

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Kinematic diagrams

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color-stripped, color-ordered, partial ampl.

 $A^{\mathrm{tree}}(1,2,3,4)$





(absorb contact terms using 1=s/s)



 $\mathcal{A}_4^{\mathrm{tree}}$



S



 $\frac{n_t c_t}{t}$



u



color factors: $c_s = f^{abc} f^{cde}$

kinematic factors: Feynman rules, BCFW etc.

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kinematics is dual to color

 c_u

 n_u

color Jacobi

kinematic Jacobi

can be checked for 4pt on-shell ampl. using Feynman rules Haltzen, Zhu

e.g.



 n_t

 c_t

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 c_s

 n_s



- Simple double-copy structure of gravity
- Duality between color and kinematics
 - Some tree-level warm-up
 - Recent progress on explicit 5pt loop amplitudes with manifest duality
 - UV properties of 5pt \mathcal{N} =4 SYM and \mathcal{N} =8 SG
 - One loop and \mathcal{N} <8 SG
- Conclusion

Gauge theory structure

Generic D-dimensional Yang-Mills theories have a novel structure

• Use representation of amplitude having only cubic graphs:

$$\mathcal{A}_m^{(L)} = \sum_{i \in \Gamma_3} \int \frac{d^{LD}\ell}{(2\pi)^{LD}} \frac{1}{S_i} \frac{n_i c_i}{p_{i_1}^2 p_{i_2}^2 p_{i_3}^2 \cdots p_{i_l}^2} \leftarrow \text{propagators}$$

Color & kin. numerators satisfy the (Lie) algebra (defining) properties:



Jacobi identity

antisymmetry

Duality: color ↔ kinematics

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Gravity is a double copy

Gravity amplitudes are obtained after replacing color by kinematics

$$\mathcal{A}_{m}^{(L)} = \sum_{i \in \Gamma_{3}} \int \frac{d^{LD}\ell}{(2\pi)^{LD}} \frac{1}{S_{i}} \frac{n_{i}c_{i}}{p_{i_{1}}^{2}p_{i_{2}}^{2}p_{i_{3}}^{2}\cdots p_{i_{l}}^{2}}$$
$$\mathcal{M}_{m}^{(L)} = \sum_{i \in \Gamma_{3}} \int \frac{d^{LD}\ell}{(2\pi)^{LD}} \frac{1}{S_{i}} \frac{n_{i}\tilde{n}_{i}}{p_{i_{1}}^{2}p_{i_{2}}^{2}p_{i_{3}}^{2}\cdots p_{i_{l}}^{2}}$$

• The two numerators can belong to different theories:

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loop level

[BCJ]

Five-point example



Equivalent to partial amplitudes

$$A_5^{\rm tree}(1,2,3,4,5) \equiv \frac{n_1}{s_{12}s_{45}} + \frac{n_2}{s_{23}s_{51}} + \frac{n_3}{s_{34}s_{12}} + \frac{n_4}{s_{45}s_{23}} + \frac{n_5}{s_{51}s_{34}} \qquad {\rm etc...}$$

• Duality between color and kinematics can be imposed, but not automatic



Applications at Tree-Level

Gauge theory amplitude properties

• Tree level, adjoint representation

$$\mathcal{A}_n^{\text{tree}}(1,2,\ldots,n) = g^{n-2} \sum_{\mathcal{P}(2,\ldots,n)} \text{Tr}[T^{a_1}T^{a_2}\cdots T^{a_n}] A_n^{\text{tree}}(1,2,\ldots,n)$$

• Well-known partial amplitude properties

$$\begin{aligned} &A_{n}^{\text{tree}}(1,2,\ldots,n) = A_{n}^{\text{tree}}(2,\ldots,n,1) & \text{cyclic symmetry} \\ &A_{n}^{\text{tree}}(1,2,\ldots,n) = (-1)^{n} A_{n}^{\text{tree}}(n,\ldots,2,1) & \text{reflection symmetry} \end{aligned} \right\} & (n-1)!/2 \\ &\sum_{\sigma \in \text{cyclic}} A_{n}^{\text{tree}}(1,\sigma(2,3,\ldots,n)) = 0 & \text{"photon"-decoupling identity} \\ &A_{n}^{\text{tree}}(1,\{\alpha\},n,\{\beta\}) = (-1)^{n_{\beta}} \sum_{\{\sigma\}_{i} \in \text{OP}(\{\alpha\},\{\beta^{T}\})} A_{n}^{\text{tree}}(1,\{\sigma\}_{i},n) & \underset{\text{relations}}{\text{Kleiss-Kuijf}} \end{aligned}$$

• New BCJ relations reduce independent basis to (*n* - 3)! Bern, Carrasco, HJ INT Sept 28 2011 H. Johansson 11

Duality gives new amplitude relations

In color-ordered tree amplitudes 3 legs can be fixed: (n-3)! basis

$$A_4^{\text{tree}}(1,2,\{4\},3) = \frac{A_4^{\text{tree}}(1,2,3,4)s_{14}}{s_{24}} \qquad \qquad s_{ij..} = (k_i + k_j + ...)^2$$

 $A_5^{
m tree}(1,2,\{4\},3,\{5\})\,=\,rac{A_5^{
m tree}(1,2,3,4,5)(s_{14}+s_{45})+A_5^{
m tree}(1,2,3,5,4)s_{14}}{s_{24}}\,,$

$$A_5^{
m tree}(1,2,\{4,5\},3)\,=\,rac{-A_5^{
m tree}(1,2,3,4,5)s_{34}s_{15}-A_5^{
m tree}(1,2,3,5,4)s_{14}(s_{245}+s_{35})}{s_{24}s_{245}}$$

...relations obtained for any multiplicity

These were later found to be equivalent to monodromy relations on the open string worldsheet Bjerrum-Bohr, Damgaard, Vanhove; Stieberger Also field theory proofs through BCFW: Feng, Huang, Jia; Chen, Du, Feng Critical in the solution of all open string disk amplitudes Mafra, Schlotterer, Stieberger

Tree-level gravity checks

• Original conjecture checked through 8 points Bern, Carrasco, HJ



• All-multiplicity proof assuming gauge theory duality: Bern, Dennen, Huang, Kiermaier

Loop Amplitudes

Unitarity

Optical theorem:

$$1 = S^{\dagger}S = (1 - iT^{\dagger})(1 + iT)$$
$$2 \operatorname{Im} T = T^{\dagger}T$$
$$2 \operatorname{Im} = \int_{d \operatorname{LIPS}} \bigvee \bigvee$$

on-shell

The unitarity method reconstructs the amplitudes avoiding dispersion relations

Bern, Dixon, Dunbar, Kosower (1994)



Compute a cut: put loop legs on-shell in amplitude = sew trees amplitudes checking every cut channel will fix the loop integrals INT Sept 28 2011 H. Johansson 15



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Duality at loop level

1-loop 5-pts \mathcal{N} =4 SYM and \mathcal{N} =8 SG

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• The five-point amplitude makes the duality manifest !

• \mathcal{N} =8 SG is obtained through the numerator double copy



Equivalent amplitudes in:

0803.1988 [hep-th] (Cachazo), hep-ph/9511336 (Bern, Morgan)

All-loop 5pt $\mathcal{N} = 4$ ansatz

Extrapolating the one-loop solution we can predict the all-loop structure

All cubic
Feynman-like
diagrams
$$\mathcal{A}_{5}^{(L)} = ig^{2L+3} \sum_{i \in \Gamma_{3}} \int \frac{d^{LD}\ell}{(2\pi)^{LD}} \frac{1}{S_{i}} \frac{N_{i}C_{i}}{p_{i_{1}}^{2}p_{i_{2}}^{2}p_{i_{3}}^{2}\cdots p_{i_{m}}^{2}}$$
with numerators
$$N_{i} = \sum_{j,k,n} a_{i;jk;n} \gamma_{jk} M_{n}^{(L)} \Rightarrow J.J. \text{ Carrasco}$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{non-local} \sum_{j=1}^{non-local} \gamma_{ij} = \beta_{12345} - \beta_{21345}$$

$$\beta_{12345} = \frac{1}{2}(\gamma_{12} + \gamma_{13} + \gamma_{14} + \gamma_{23} + \gamma_{24} + \gamma_{34})$$
and satisfies
$$\sum_{i=1}^{5} \gamma_{ij} = 0 \qquad \gamma_{ij} = -\gamma_{ji}$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_{ij} = 0 \qquad \gamma_{ij} = -\gamma_{ji}$$

2-loop 5-pts \mathcal{N} =4 SYM and \mathcal{N} =8 SG



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The 2-loop 5-point amplitude with duality exposed

$\mathcal{I}^{(x)}$	$\mathcal{N} = 4$ Super-Yang-Mills ($\sqrt{\mathcal{N} = 8}$ supergravity) numerator	
(a),(b)	$\frac{1}{4} \Big(\gamma_{12} (2s_{45} - s_{12} + \tau_{2p} - \tau_{1p}) + \gamma_{23} (s_{45} + 2s_{12} - \tau_{2p} + \tau_{3p}) \Big)$	<i>𝗨</i> =
	$+ 2\gamma_{45}(au_{5p} - au_{4p}) + \gamma_{13}(s_{12} + s_{45} - au_{1p} + au_{3p}) \Big)$	from
(c)	$\frac{1}{4} \Big(\gamma_{15}(\tau_{5p} - \tau_{1p}) + \gamma_{25}(s_{12} - \tau_{2p} + \tau_{5p}) + \gamma_{12}(s_{34} + \tau_{2p} - \tau_{1p} + 2s_{15} + 2\tau_{1q} - 2\tau_{2q}) \Big)$	doub
	$+ \gamma_{45}(\tau_{4q} - \tau_{5q}) - \gamma_{35}(s_{34} - \tau_{3q} + \tau_{5q}) + \gamma_{34}(s_{12} + \tau_{3q} - \tau_{4q} + 2s_{45} + 2\tau_{4p} - 2\tau_{3p}) \Big)$	
(d)-(f)	$\gamma_{12}s_{45} - rac{1}{4} \Big(2\gamma_{12} + \gamma_{13} - \gamma_{23} \Big) s_{12}$	

N = 8 SG obtained from numerator double copies

 $au_{ip} = 2k_i \cdot p$

3-loop 5-point SYM and \mathcal{N} =8 SG



3-loop 5-point SYM and \mathcal{N} =8 SG



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3-loop 5-point SYM and \mathcal{N} =8 SG

...in total 42 diagrams.

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Conveniently the UV divergent diagrams (in D=6) are very simple:



(for SG the UV div. comes from the other diagrams as well)

1-loop 5-pts UV divergences



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$$\beta_{12345} \equiv N^{(P)} = \delta^{(8)}(Q) \frac{[1\,2]\,[2\,3]\,[3\,4]\,[4\,5]\,[5\,1]}{4\,\varepsilon(1,2,3,4)}$$

$$\gamma_{12} \equiv N^{(B)} = \delta^{(8)}(Q) \frac{[1\,2]^2 [3\,4] [4\,5] [3\,5]}{4\,\varepsilon(1,2,3,4)}$$

SYM UV div in D=8:

 $\mathcal{A}_{5}^{(1)}\Big|_{W} = -g^{5} \frac{1}{\epsilon(4-)^{4}\epsilon} \Big[N_{c} \operatorname{Tr}_{12345} \Big(\frac{\gamma_{12}}{2} + \frac{\gamma_{23}}{2} + \frac{\gamma_{[34]}}{2} + \frac{\gamma_{45}}{2} + \frac{\gamma_{51}}{2} \Big) \qquad \Rightarrow \mathsf{R}. \text{ Roiban}$

$$+ 6 \operatorname{Tr}_{123} \operatorname{Tr}_{45} \left(\frac{\gamma_{12}}{s_{12}} + \frac{\gamma_{23}}{s_{23}} + \frac{\gamma_{31}}{s_{13}} \right) + \operatorname{perms} \right]$$

SG UV div in D=8:

$$\mathcal{M}_{5}^{(1)}\Big|_{\rm UV} = -i\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}\right)^{5} \frac{1}{6(4\pi)^{4}\epsilon} \Big[\frac{\gamma_{12}^{2}}{s_{12}} + \frac{\gamma_{13}^{2}}{s_{13}} + \frac{\gamma_{14}^{2}}{s_{14}} + \frac{\gamma_{15}^{2}}{s_{15}} + \frac{\gamma_{23}^{2}}{s_{23}} + \frac{\gamma_{24}^{2}}{s_{24}} + \frac{\gamma_{25}^{2}}{s_{25}} + \frac{\gamma_{34}^{2}}{s_{34}} + \frac{\gamma_{35}^{2}}{s_{35}} + \frac{\gamma_{45}^{2}}{s_{45}}\Big]$$

agree with UV calc. at 4pt Green, Schwarz, Brink

2-loop 5-pts UV divergences



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agree with UV calc. at 4pt

Marcus, Sagnotti; Bern, Dixon, Dunbar, Perelstein,Rozowsky

SYM UV div in D=7:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}_{5}^{(2)}\Big|_{\rm UV} &= -g^{7} \Big[\left(N_{c}^{2} V^{\rm (P)} + 12 (V^{\rm (P)} + V^{\rm (NP)}) \right) \operatorname{Tr}_{12345} \Big(5\beta_{12345} + \frac{\gamma_{12}}{s_{12}} (s_{35} - 2s_{12}) \right. \\ &+ \frac{\gamma_{23}}{s_{23}} (s_{14} - 2s_{23}) + \frac{\gamma_{34}}{s_{34}} (s_{25} - 2s_{34}) + \frac{\gamma_{45}}{s_{45}} (s_{13} - 2s_{45}) + \frac{\gamma_{51}}{s_{15}} (s_{24} - 2s_{15}) \Big) \\ &- 12 N_{c} (V^{\rm (P)} + V^{\rm (NP)}) \operatorname{Tr}_{123} \operatorname{Tr}_{45} s_{45} \Big(\frac{\gamma_{12}}{s_{12}} + \frac{\gamma_{23}}{s_{23}} + \frac{\gamma_{31}}{s_{13}} \Big) + \operatorname{perms} \Big] \end{split}$$

SG UV div in D=7:

$$\mathcal{M}_{5}^{(2)}\Big|_{\rm UV} = i\left(\frac{\kappa}{2}\right)^{7} \frac{1}{6} (V^{\rm (P)} + V^{\rm (NP)}) \sum_{S_{5}} \frac{\gamma_{12}^{2}}{s_{12}} (s_{34}^{2} + s_{35}^{2} + s_{45}^{2} - 3s_{12}^{2})$$

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Relations between integrated ampls.

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Dunbar and Norridge

$$\mathcal{M}_{m}^{1-\text{loop}} = \left(\frac{\kappa}{2}\right)^{m} \sum_{S_{m}/(Z_{m} \times Z_{2})} \int \frac{d^{D}p}{(2\pi)^{D}} \tilde{n}_{123\dots m}(p) \mathscr{A}_{m}(1, 2, \dots, m; p)$$
$$(\mathcal{N}=4 \text{ SYM}) \times (\mathcal{N}=p \text{ SYM})$$

Assume $\tilde{n}_{123...m}(p) = \tilde{n}_{123...m}$ (true for m = 4,5)

Relations between integrated amplitudes:



 \Rightarrow **It works!** reproduce $\mathcal{N}=4,5,6$ supergravity ampl. Dunbar, Ettle, Perkins,

Four-point check details

Green, Schwarz, Brink:
$$n_{1234} = n_{1243} = n_{1423} = istA^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4)$$

 $\mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{N}+4 \text{ susy}}^{1-\text{loop}}(1, 2, 3, 4) = \left(\frac{\kappa}{2}\right)^4 istA^{\text{tree}}(1, 2, 3, 4) \left(A_{\mathcal{N} \text{ susy}}^{1-\text{loop}}(1, 2, 3, 4) + A_{\mathcal{N} \text{ susy}}^{1-\text{loop}}(1, 2, 4, 3) + A_{\mathcal{N} \text{ susy}}^{1-\text{loop}}(1, 4, 2, 3)\right),$
 $+A_{\mathcal{N} \text{ susy}}^{1-\text{loop}}(1, 4, 2, 3)\right),$
Bern, Morgan in D dim.

Can work with the simpler matter multiplet contributions, we get

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{N}=6,\mathrm{mat.}}^{1\text{-loop}}(1^{-},2^{-},3^{+},4^{+}) &= -\frac{ic_{\Gamma}}{2} \Big(\frac{\kappa}{2}\Big)^{4} \frac{\langle 1\,2 \rangle^{4} \left[3\,4\right]^{4}}{s^{2}} \left[\ln^{2}\left(\frac{-t}{-u}\right) + \pi^{2}\right] + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \\ \mathcal{M}_{\mathcal{N}=4,\mathrm{mat.}}^{1\text{-loop}}(1^{-},2^{-},3^{+},4^{+}) &= \frac{1}{2} \Big(\frac{\kappa}{2}\Big)^{4} \frac{\langle 1\,2 \rangle^{2} \left[3\,4\right]^{2}}{\left[1\,2\right]^{2} \langle 3\,4 \rangle^{2}} \Big[ic_{\Gamma}s^{2} + s(u-t)\Big(I_{2}(t) - I_{2}(u)\Big) \\ &- 2I_{4}^{D=6-2\epsilon}(t,u)stu\Big] + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \,, \end{split}$$

From this one gets any $\mathcal{N} \ge 4$ supergravity theory ampl. Agrees with Dunbar and Norridge

Summary

- Sinematic numerators of ampl. diagrams behave as if they were on equal footing with color factors.
- Making the duality manifest: Gravity becomes double copy of Yang-Mills theory, order by order in the S-matrix.
- Nontrivial 5-point multi-loop evidence supports the duality. For more evidence: see talk by J.J. Carrasco
- Duality should be a key tool for nonplanar gauge theory and gravity calculations.
 - Examples: UV divergence calculation at 5pts, 1 and 2-loop
 - **•** for $\mathcal{N}=8$ supergravity finiteness issue: see talk by R. Roiban
 - Calc. of *N*<8 supergravity amplitudes at one loop.</p>
- Outlook:

More one-loop calculations needed. Evidence & Applications What is the kinematic Lie algebra ?

Extra slides

Lagrangian and Lie Algebra

• First attempt at Lagrangian with manifest duality

1004.0693 [hep-th] Bern, Dennen, Huang, Kiermaier

YM Lagrangian receives corrections at 5 points and higher

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

corrections proportional to the Jacobi identity (thus equal to zero) $\mathcal{L}'_5 \sim \operatorname{Tr} [A^{\nu}, A^{\rho}] \frac{1}{\Box} ([[\partial_{\mu}A_{\nu}, A_{\rho}], A^{\mu}] + [[A_{\rho}, A^{\mu}], \partial_{\mu}A_{\nu}] + [[A^{\mu}, \partial_{\mu}A_{\nu}], A_{\rho}])$ Introduction of auxiliary "dynamical" fields gives local cubic Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}_{YM} = \frac{1}{2} A^{a\mu} \Box A^{a}_{\mu} - B^{a\mu\nu\rho} \Box B^{a}_{\mu\nu\rho} - g f^{abc} (\partial_{\mu}A^{a}_{\nu} + \partial^{\rho}B^{a}_{\rho\mu\nu}) A^{b\mu}A^{c\nu} + \dots$

kinematical structure constants

• Monteiro and O'Connell (1105.2565 [hep-th]) identifies a Lie algebra in the self-dual YM sector \Rightarrow kin. structure constants for MHV tree amplitudes.