

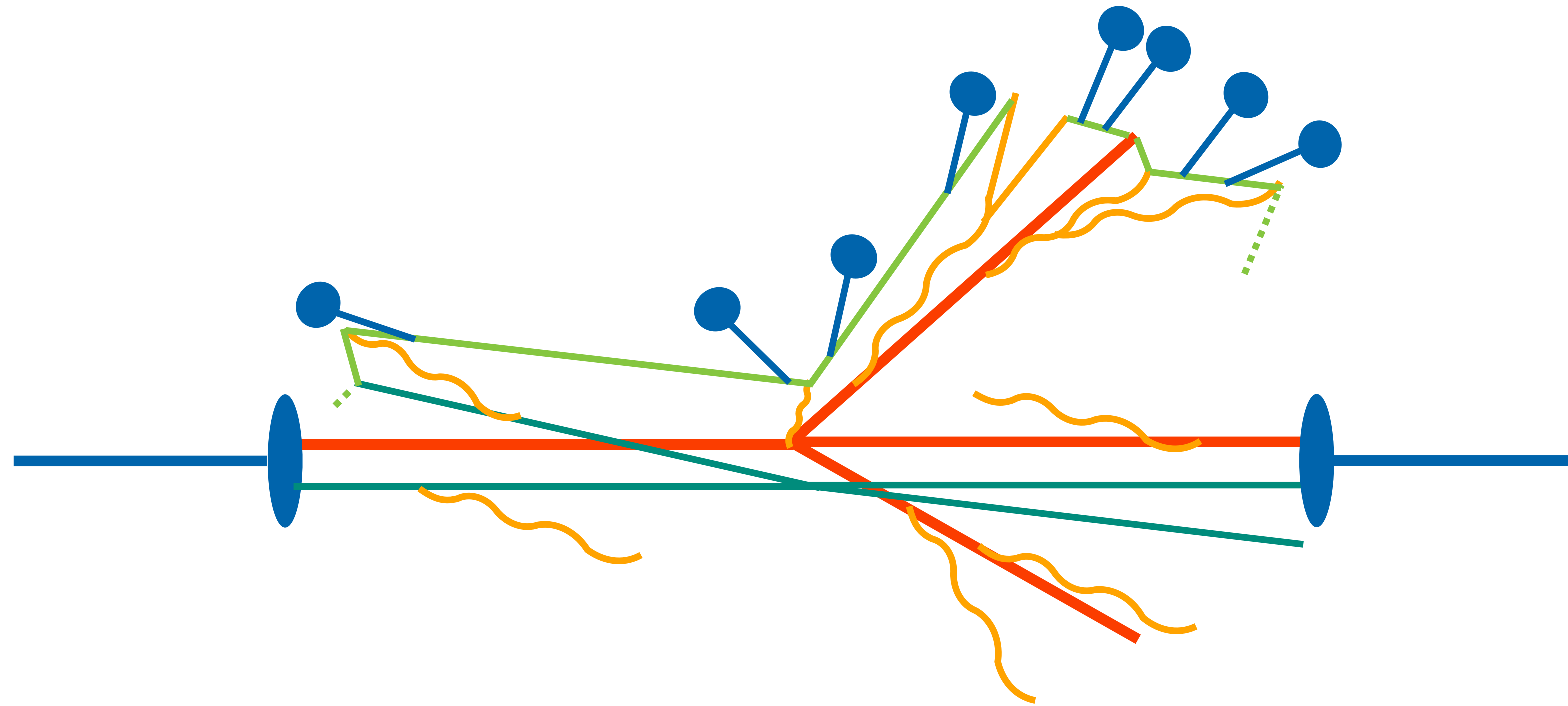


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Amplitude Evolution beyond Leading Order

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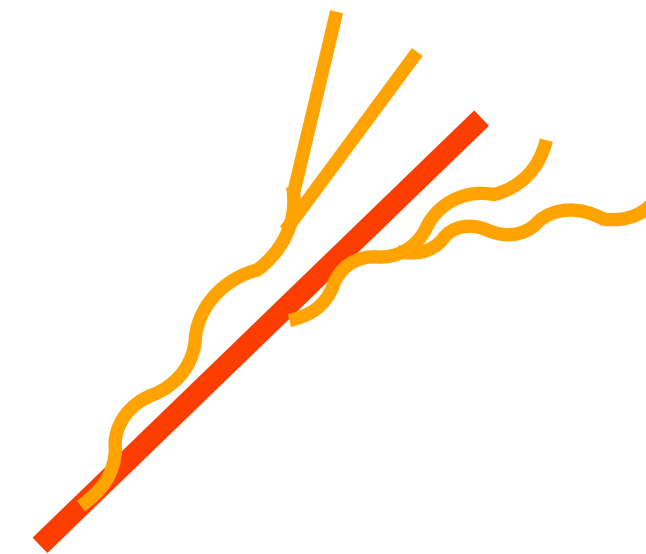
$$d\sigma \sim L \times d\sigma_H(Q) \times PS(Q \rightarrow \mu) \times MPI \times Had(\mu \rightarrow \Lambda) \times \dots$$

QCD description of collider reactions:
Complexity challenges precision.

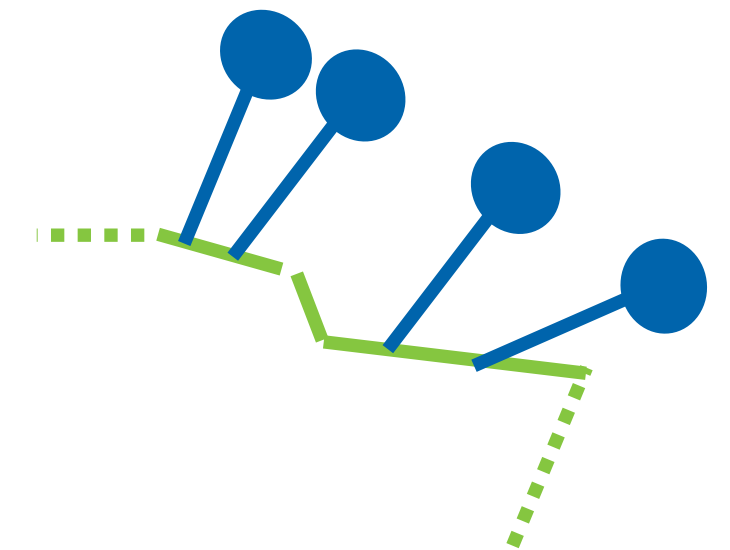
Hard partonic scattering:
NLO QCD routinely

Jet evolution — parton branching:
NLL sometimes, mostly unclear

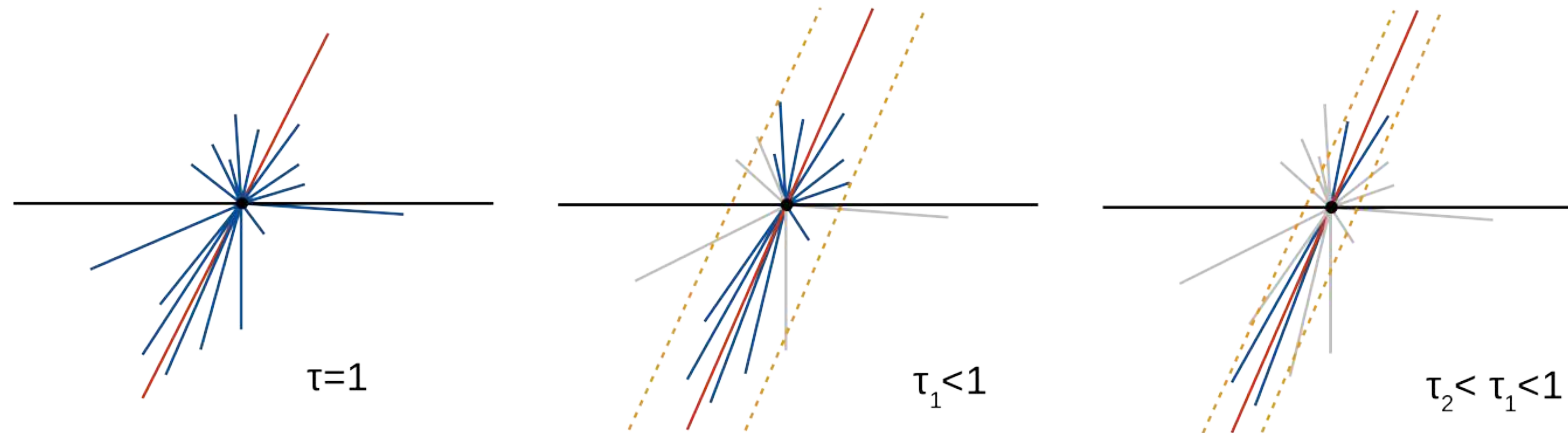
Multi-parton interactions
Hadronization



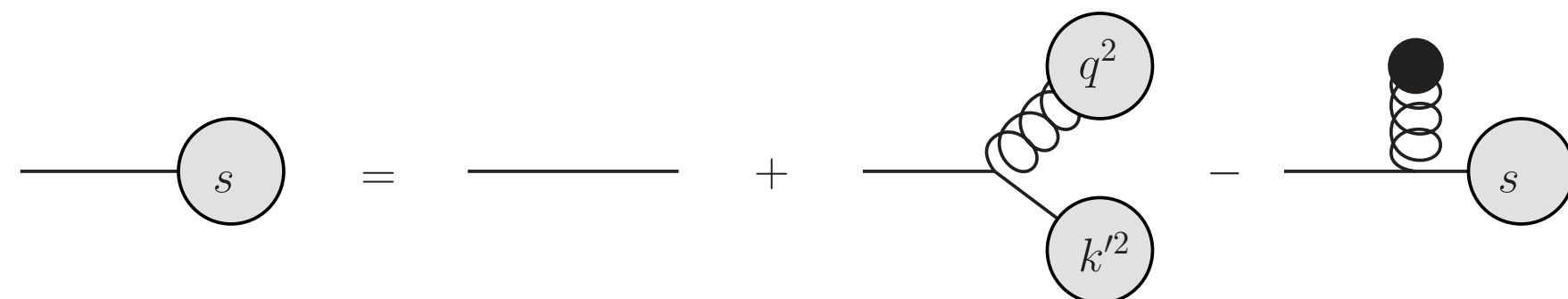
[Salam et al. — JHEP 09 (2018) 033]
[Forshaw, Holguin, Plätzer — JHEP 09 (2020) 014]



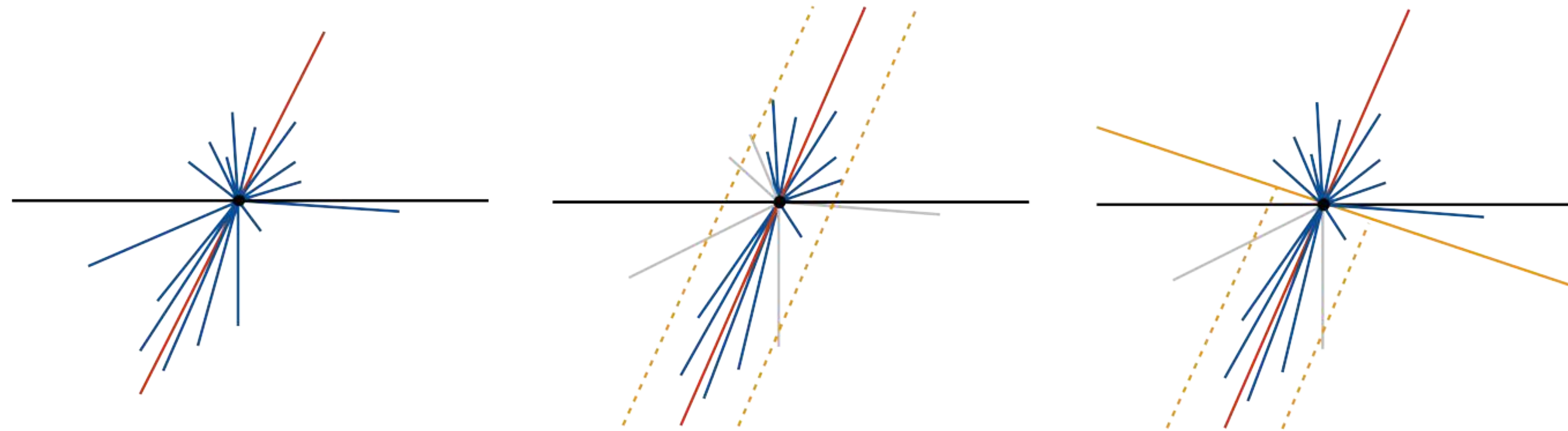
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Resummation of observables which globally measure deviations from n-jet limit.
Basis of angular ordered parton showers — highest level of analytic control.



[Catani, Marchesini, Webber — Nucl.Phys.B 407 (1991) 654]
[Hoang, Plätzer, Samitz — JHEP 1810 (2018) 200]

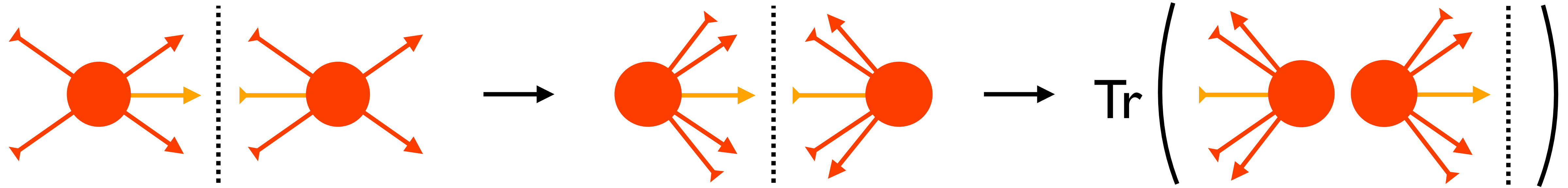


Measure deviation from jet topology only in patch of phase space.

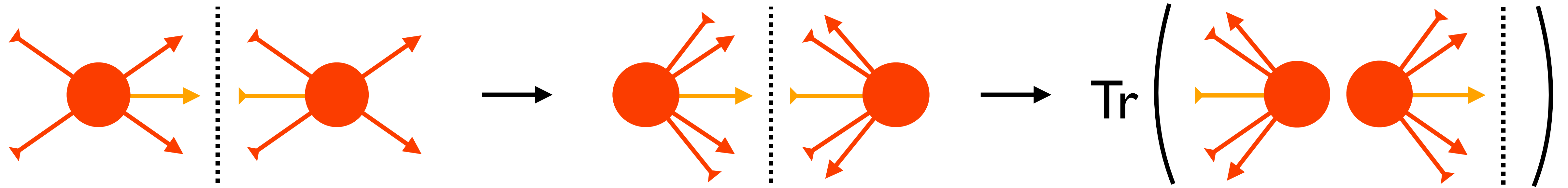
Coherent branching breaks down, full complexity of QCD amplitudes strikes back.

If non-global bit is isolated can use dipole cascades to resum.

Cross Sections and Amplitudes



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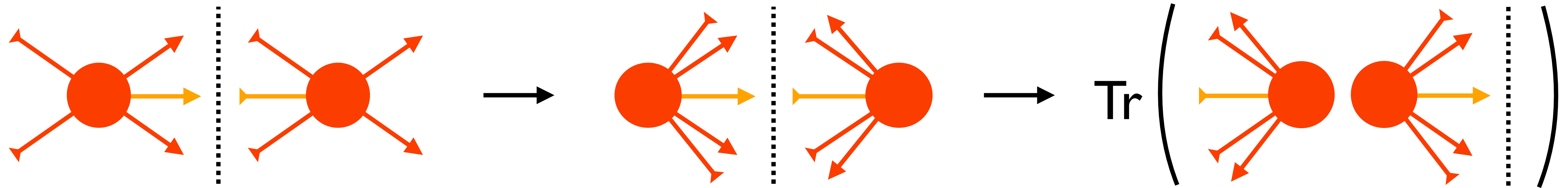
$$\sigma[u] = \sum_n \int \text{Tr} [\mathbf{A}_n] u(q_1, \dots, q_n) d\phi(q_1, \dots, q_n)$$

sum over emissions

'density operator' ~ amplitude amplitude⁺

observable and phase space

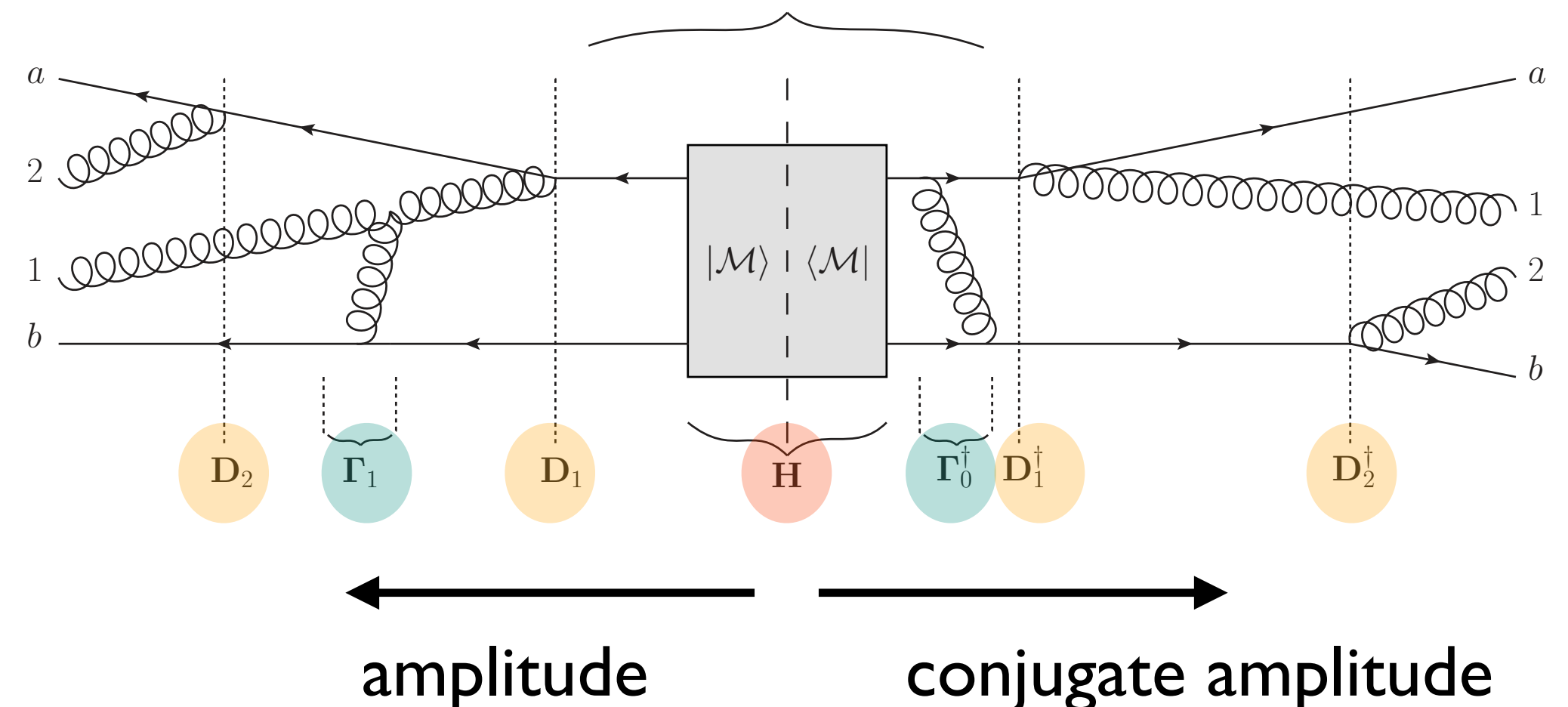
Cross Sections and Amplitudes



$$\mathbf{A}_n(q) = \int_q^Q \frac{dk}{k} \mathbf{D}_n(k) \mathbf{P} e^{-\int_q^k \frac{dk'}{k'} \Gamma(k')} \mathbf{A}_{n-1}(k) \bar{\mathbf{P}} e^{-\int_q^k \frac{dk'}{k'} \Gamma^\dagger(k')} \mathbf{D}_n^\dagger(k)$$

Markovian algorithm at the amplitude level:
Iterate **gluon exchanges** and **emission**.

Different histories in amplitude and conjugate amplitude needed to include interference.

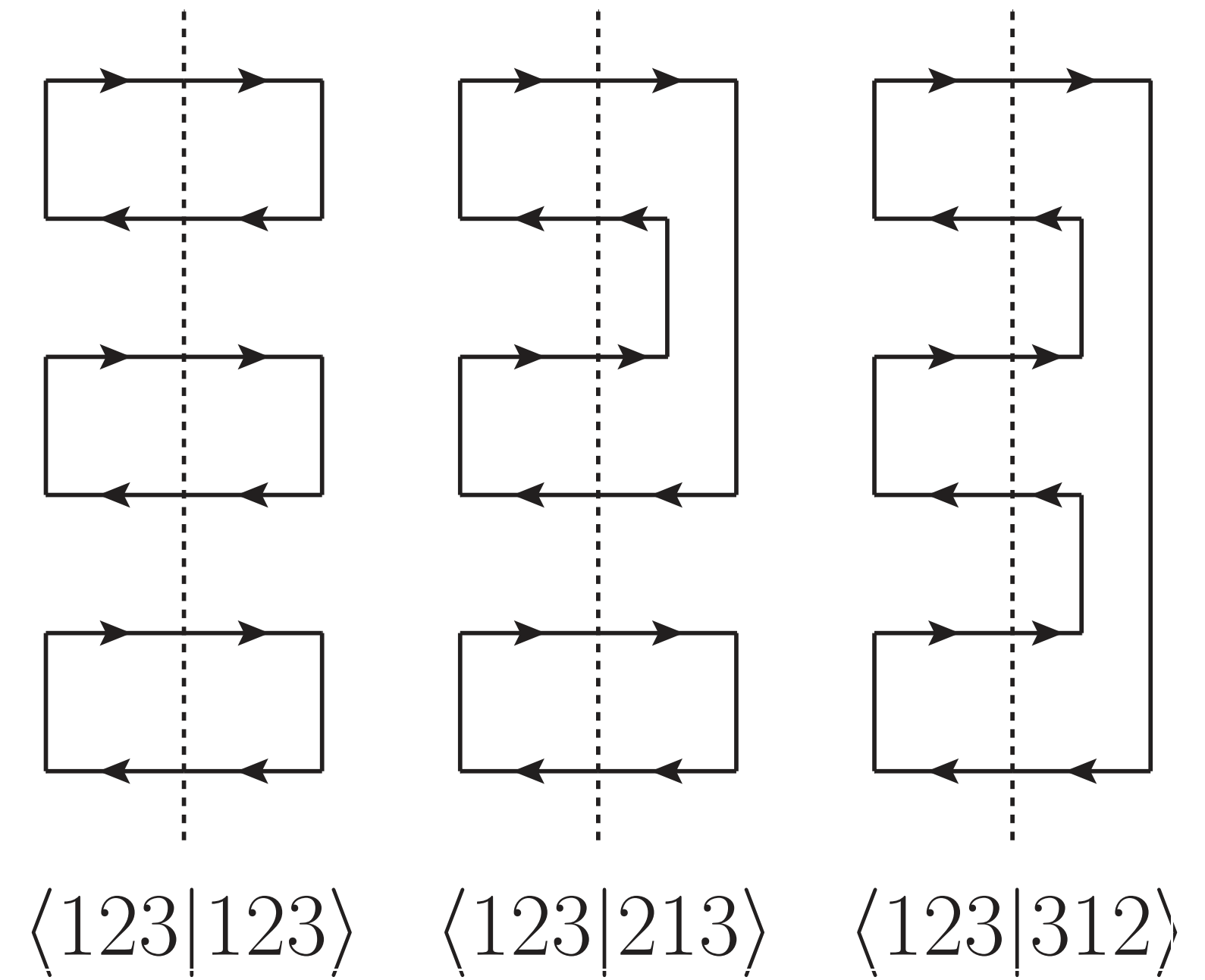
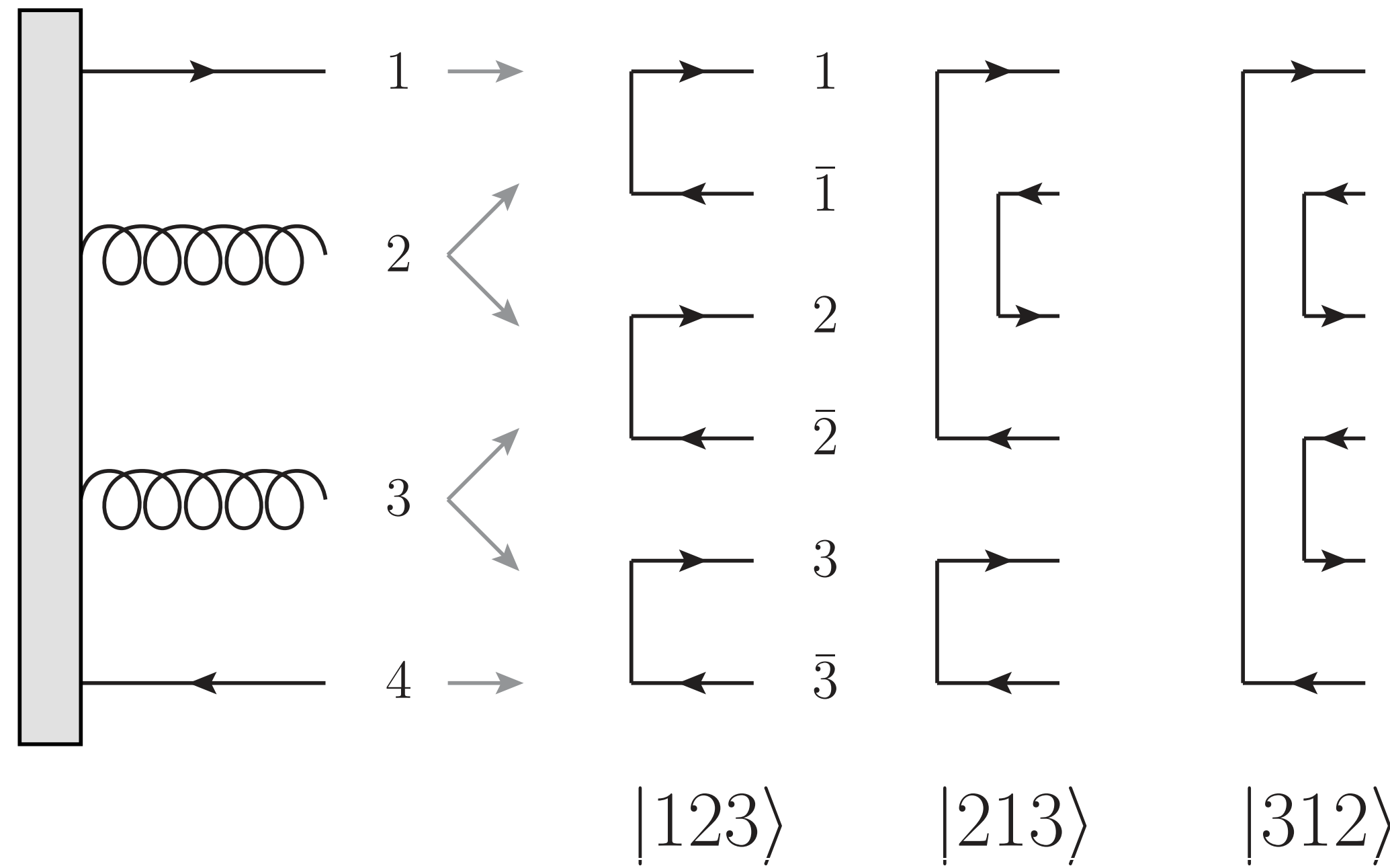


[Angeles, De Angelis, Forshaw, Plätzer, Seymour – JHEP 05 (2018) 044]

[Forshaw, Holguin, Plätzer – JHEP 1908 (2019) 145]

Decompose amplitudes in flow of colour charge.

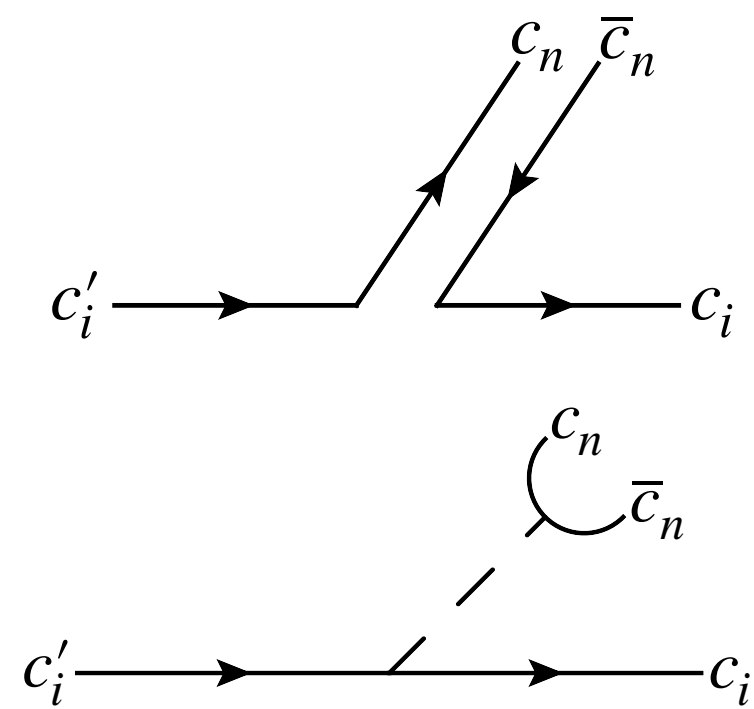
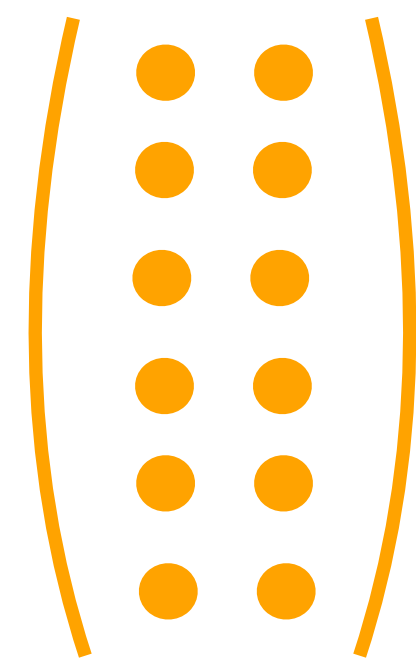
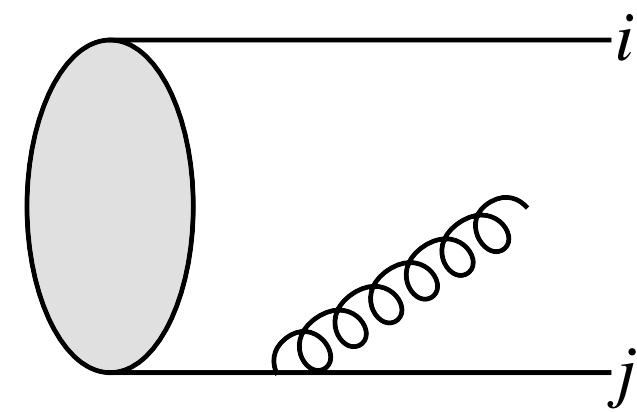
$$\text{Tr} [\mathbf{A}_n] = \sum_{\sigma, \tau} A_{\tau\sigma} \langle \sigma | \tau \rangle$$



N^3 N^2 N

Gluon emission

$$D_n(k)$$

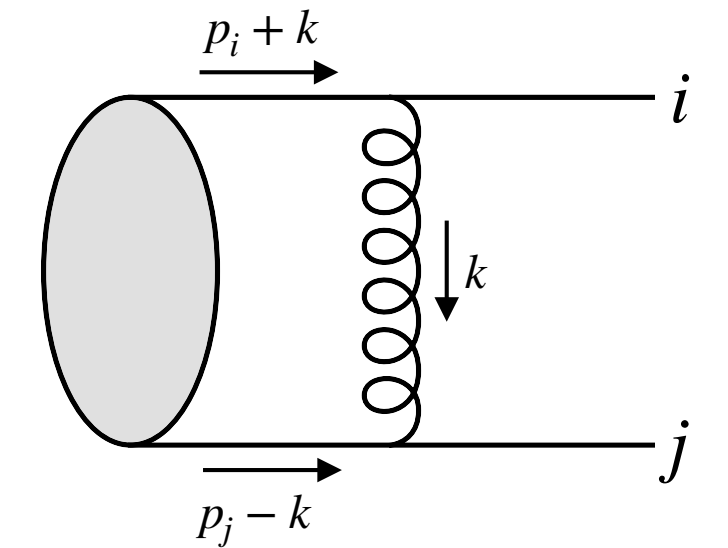


Explicit suppression in $1/N$

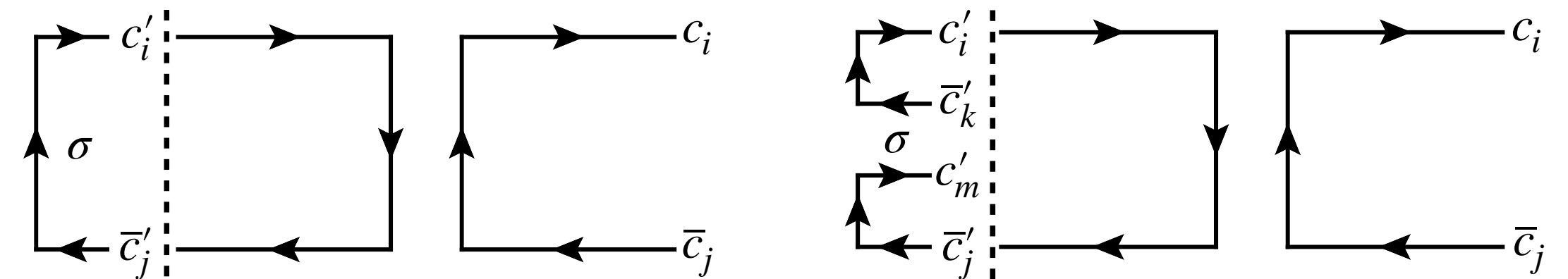


Gluon exchange

$$P e^{-\int_q^k \frac{dk'}{k'} \Gamma(k')} \begin{pmatrix} \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet \end{pmatrix}$$



$$[\tau|\mathbf{\Gamma}|\sigma\rangle = (\alpha_s N)[\tau|\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)}|\sigma\rangle + (\alpha_s N)^2[\tau|\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(2)}|\sigma\rangle + \dots$$



$$[\tau|\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)}|\sigma\rangle = \left(\Gamma_{\sigma}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{N^2} \rho^{(1)} \right) \delta_{\sigma\tau} + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma_{\sigma\tau}^{(1)}$$

dipole flips — implicit suppression in $1/N$



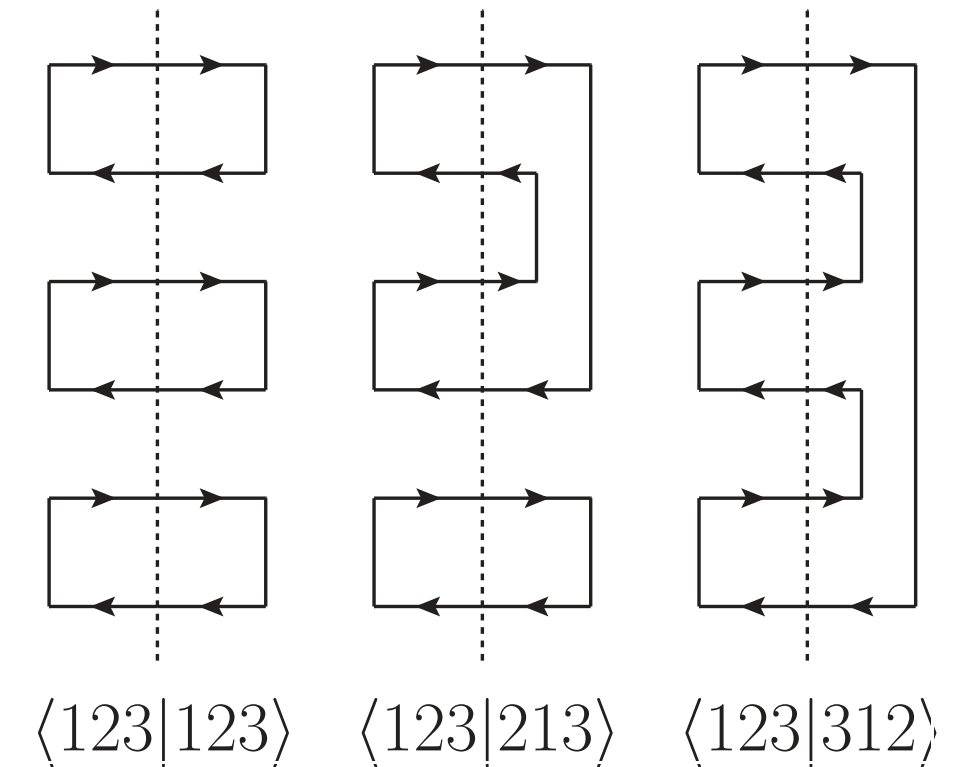
Systematically expand around large- N limit
summing towers of terms enhanced by $\alpha_s N$

Primary application: Non-global observables

$$E \frac{\partial \mathbf{G}_n(E)}{\partial E} = -\mathbf{\Gamma} \mathbf{G}_n(E) - \mathbf{G}_n(E) \mathbf{\Gamma}^\dagger + \mathbf{D}_n^\mu \mathbf{G}_{n-1}(E) \mathbf{D}_{n\mu}^\dagger u(E, \hat{k}_n)$$

Utilise colour flow basis, and expand around large-N:

$$\text{Leading}_{\mathcal{G}\tau\sigma}^{(l)} [\mathbf{A}] = \sum_{k=0}^l \mathcal{A}_{\tau\sigma} \Big|_{1/N^k} \delta_{\#\text{transpositions}(\tau,\sigma), l-k}$$



Re-derive BMS equation: Prototype of constructing a dipole shower

$$\text{Leading}_{\mathcal{G}\tau\sigma}^{(0)} [\mathbf{V}_n \mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{V}_n^\dagger] = \delta_{\tau\sigma} \left| V_\sigma^{(n)} \right|^2 \text{Leading}_{\mathcal{G}\tau\sigma}^{(0)} [\mathbf{A}_n]$$

$$\text{Leading}_{\mathcal{G}\tau\sigma}^{(0)} [\mathbf{D}_n \mathbf{A}_{n-1} \mathbf{D}_n^\dagger] = \delta_{\tau\sigma} \sum_{i,j \text{ c.c. in } \sigma \setminus n} \lambda_i \bar{\lambda}_j R_{ij}^{(n)} \text{Leading}_{\mathcal{G}\tau \setminus n, \sigma \setminus n}^{(0)} [\mathbf{A}_{n-1}]$$

$$V_\sigma^{(n)} = \exp \left(-N \sum_{i,j \text{ c.c. in } \sigma} \lambda_i \bar{\lambda}_j W_{ij}^{(n)} \right)$$

colour connected dipoles

Include simultaneously unresolved emissions and higher loop structures

$$E \frac{\partial}{\partial E} \mathbf{A}_n(E) = \mathbf{\Gamma}_n(E) \mathbf{A}_n(E) + \mathbf{A}_n(E) \mathbf{\Gamma}_n^\dagger(E) - \sum_k \mathbf{R}_n^{(k)}(E) \mathbf{A}_{n-k}(E) \mathbf{R}_n^{(k),\dagger}(E)$$



combination of purely virtual and unresolved
real corrections, point-by-point in phase space



resolved real emissions and virtual/
unresolved corrections to emissions

Similar in origin to a fixed-order calculation with the subtraction method:

Subtract (unresolved) real emissions — cast virtual corrections into phase-space type integrals instead of integrating subtraction terms.

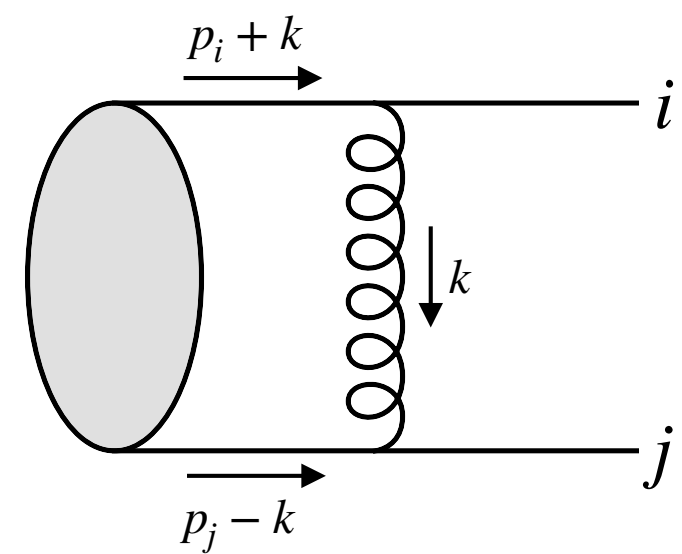
CF vs CA/2

dipole flips

$$\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \Omega_{ij}^{(1)} \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j \quad [\tau | \mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)} | \sigma \rangle = \left(\Gamma_{\sigma}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{N^2} \rho^{(1)} \right) \delta_{\sigma\tau} + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma_{\sigma\tau}^{(1)}$$

Expand around colour diagonal limit

Cast e.g. into form of energy ordered observables by doing a contour integral



$$\Omega_{ij}^{(1)} = i\mu^{2\epsilon} \int \frac{d^d k}{i\pi^{d/2}} \frac{p_i \cdot p_j}{(k^2 + i0)(p_i \cdot k + i0)(p_j \cdot k - i0)} = \int_0^\infty \frac{dE}{E} \left(\frac{\mu^2}{E^2} \right)^\epsilon \omega^{(ij)}$$

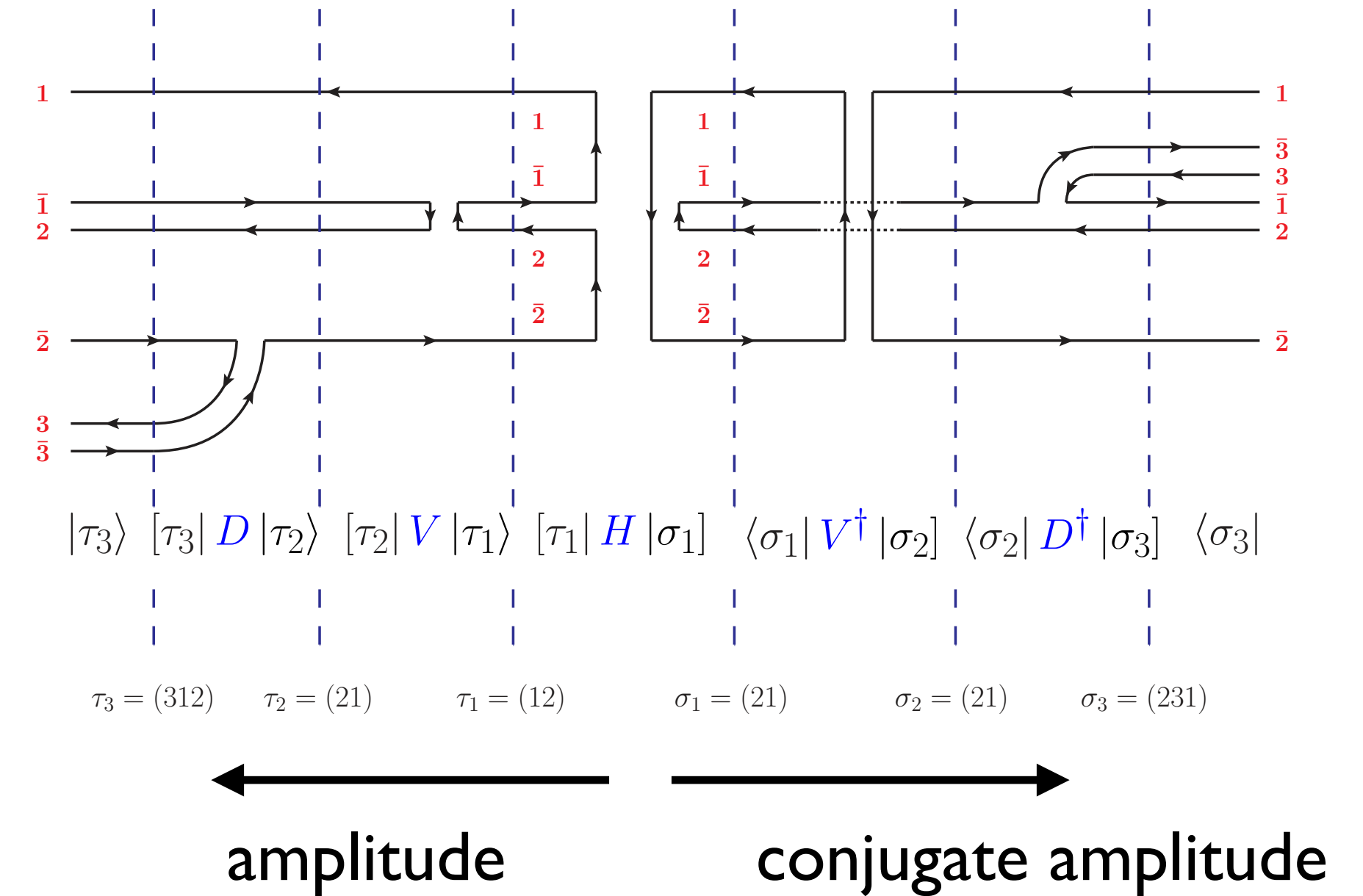
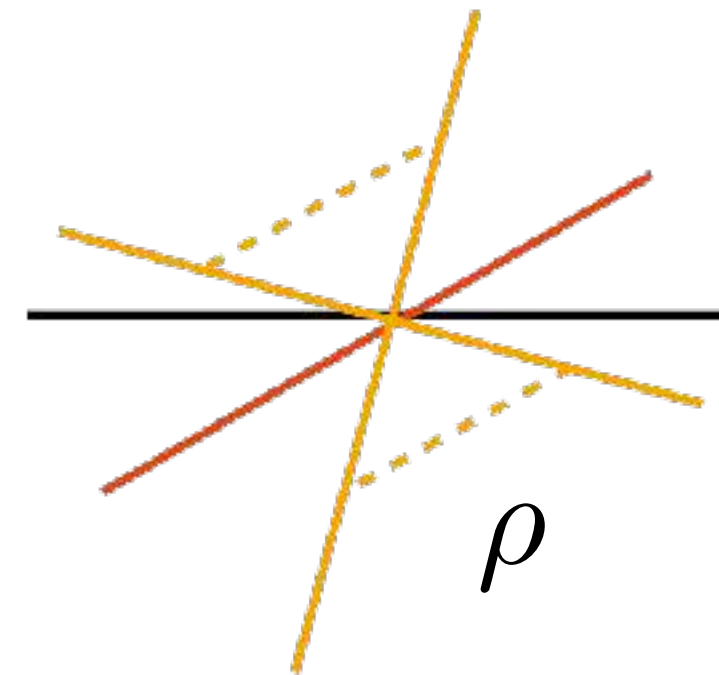
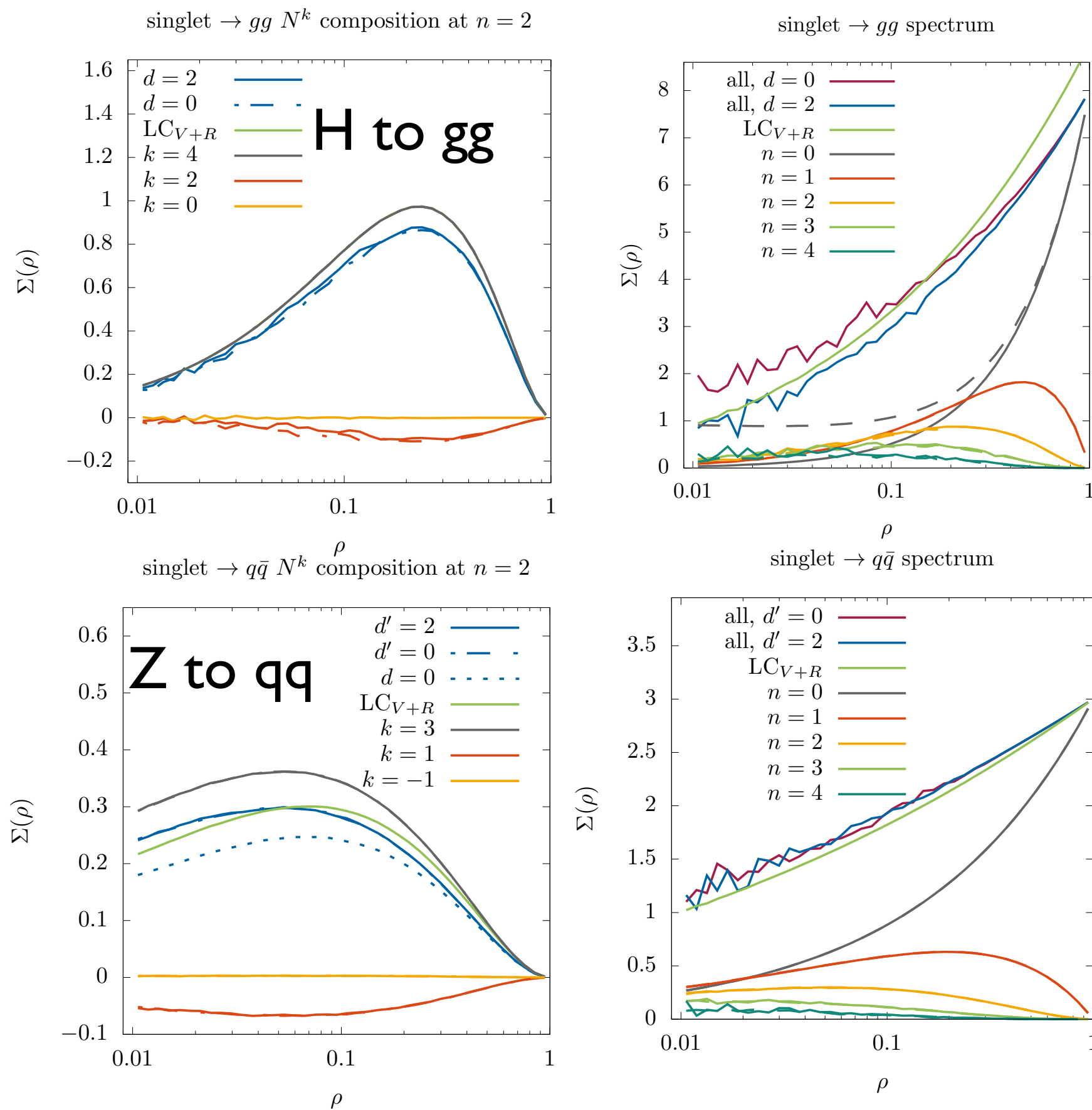
$$\omega^{(ij)} = \frac{(2\pi)^{2\epsilon}}{\pi} \left[\int \frac{d\Omega^{(d-2)}}{4\pi} \frac{n_i \cdot n_j}{n_i \cdot n \cdot n \cdot n_j} - i\pi \int \frac{d\Omega^{(d-3)}}{2\pi} \right]$$

CVolver library implements numerical evolution in colour space.

origins in
[Plätzer – EPJ C 74 (2014) 2907]

Resummation of non-global logarithms at full colour:

[De Angelis, Forshaw, Plätzer — PRL 126 (2021) 11]



Avoid complexity which grows with colour space dimensionality:

$$\Sigma(\rho) = \sum_n \int d\sigma(\{p_i\}) \prod_i \theta_{\text{in}}(\rho - E_i)$$

- Monte Carlo over colour flows,
- events at intermediate steps carry complex weights.

Evolution at the Next Order

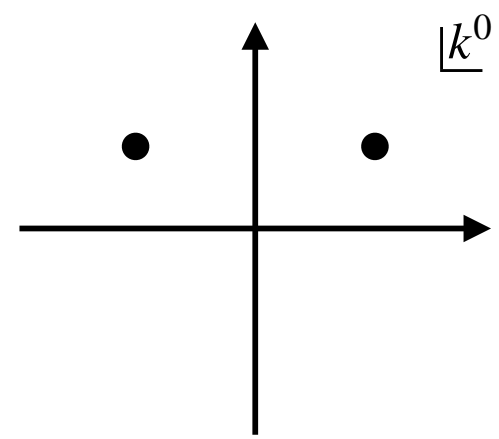
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Coefficient	Diagram	Colour-factor
$\Omega_{ij}^{(2)}$		$(\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j)(\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j)$
$\tilde{\Omega}_{ij}^{(2)}$		$\mathbf{T}_i^a \mathbf{T}_i^b \mathbf{T}_j^b \mathbf{T}_j^a$
$\Omega_{ijl}^{(2)}$		$(\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_l)(\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j)$
$\hat{\Omega}_{ijl}^{(2)}$		$if^{abc} \mathbf{T}_i^a \mathbf{T}_j^b \mathbf{T}_l^c$
$\Omega_{ij,\text{self-en.}}^{(2)}$		$T_R(\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j)$
$\Omega_{ij,\text{vertex-corr.}}^{(2)}$		$T_R(\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j)$
$\hat{\Omega}_{ij}^{(2)}$		$\mathbf{T}_i^b \mathbf{T}_i^a \mathbf{T}_i^b \mathbf{T}_j^a$

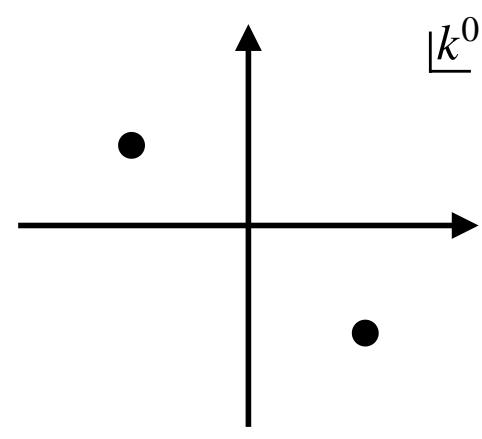
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$\bar{\Omega}_{ij}^{(1,1)}$		$if^{abc} \mathbf{T}_i^b \mathbf{T}_j^c$
$\Omega_{ijl}^{(1,1)}$		$\mathbf{T}_l^a (\mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j)$
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$\Omega_{i,\text{vertex-corr.}}^{(1,1)}$		$T_R \mathbf{T}_i^a$
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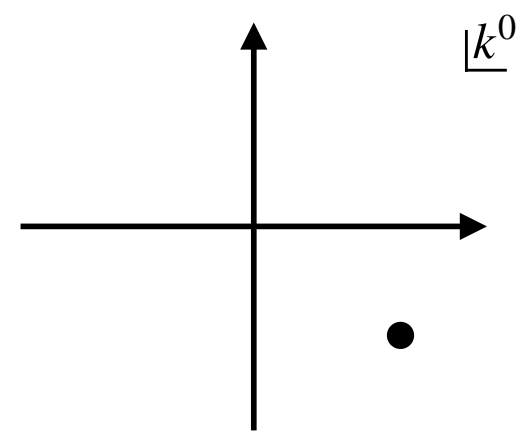
Algorithmic treatment of virtual corrections needed



Advanced



Feynman



Feynman tree theorem:

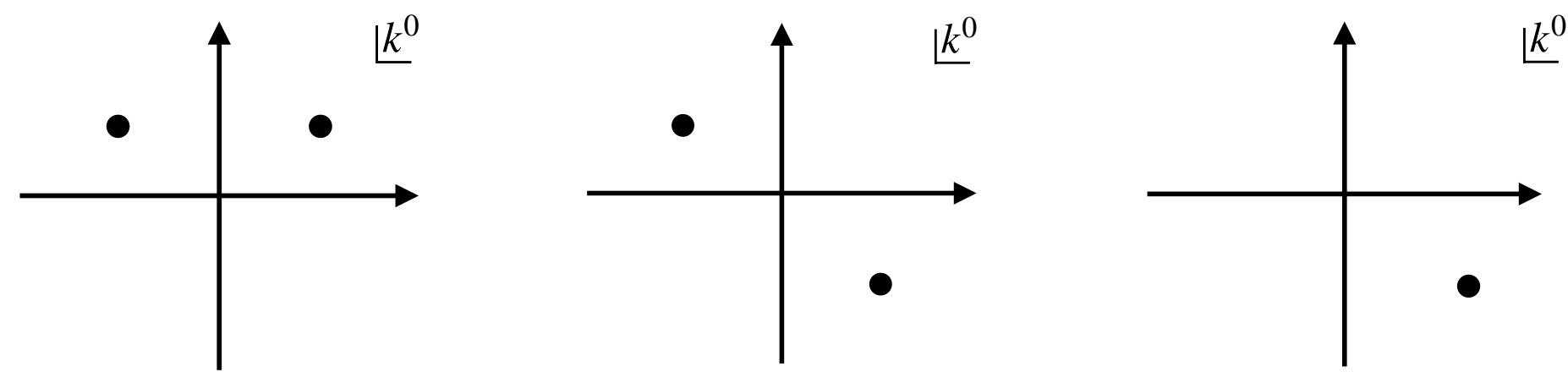
$$\frac{1}{[q^2 - i0(T \cdot q)|T \cdot q|]} = \frac{1}{[q^2 + i0(T \cdot q)^2]} + 2\pi i \delta(q^2) \theta(T \cdot q)$$

$$\frac{1}{k^2 + i0(T \cdot k)^2} \stackrel{=}{=} \frac{1}{(k^0)^2 - \vec{k}^2 + 2i0(k^0)^2}$$

$(T^\mu) = (\sqrt{2}, \vec{0})$

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Advanced

Feynman

Eikonal

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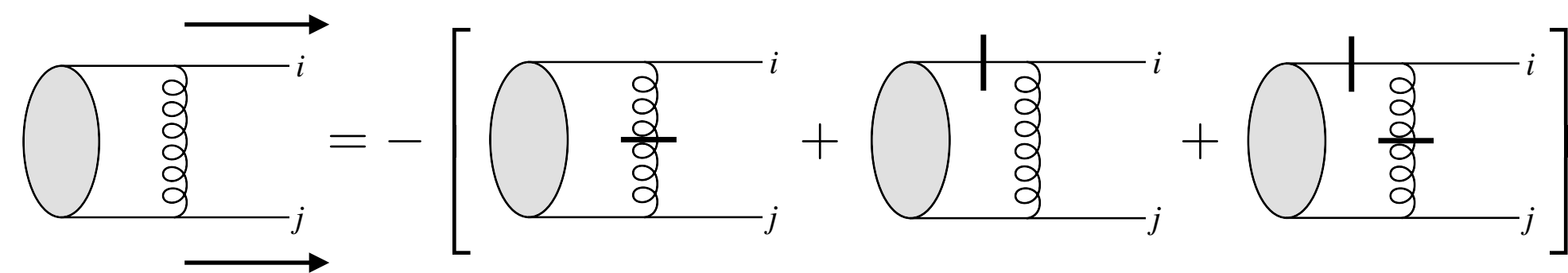
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Extend to Eikonal and higher-power propagators:

$$\frac{1}{2p_i \cdot k - i0(T \cdot p_i)^2} = \frac{1}{2p_i \cdot k + i0(T \cdot p_i)^2} + 2\pi i \delta(2p_i \cdot k)$$

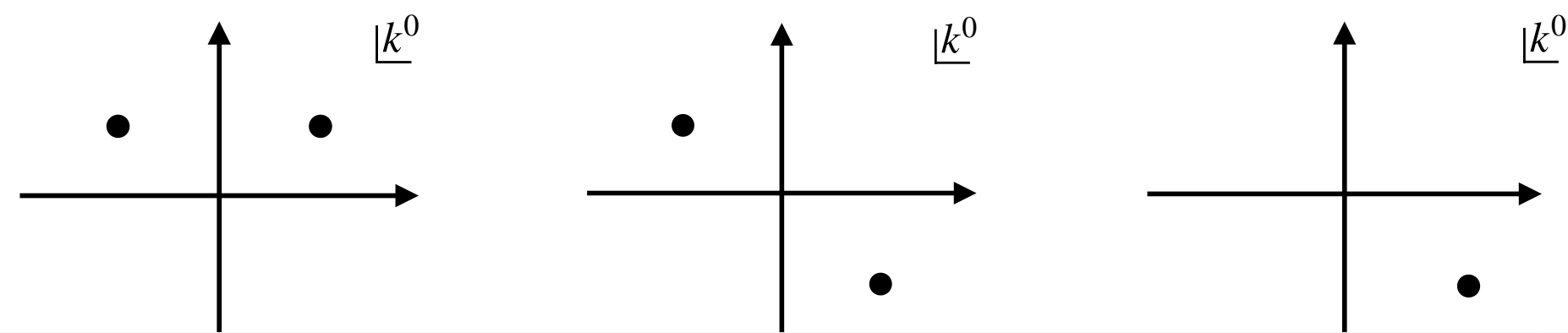
$$\frac{1}{[q^2 - i0(T \cdot q)|T \cdot q|]^2} - \frac{1}{[q^2 + i0(T \cdot q)^2]^2} = -2i\pi \theta(T \cdot q) \delta'(q^2)$$



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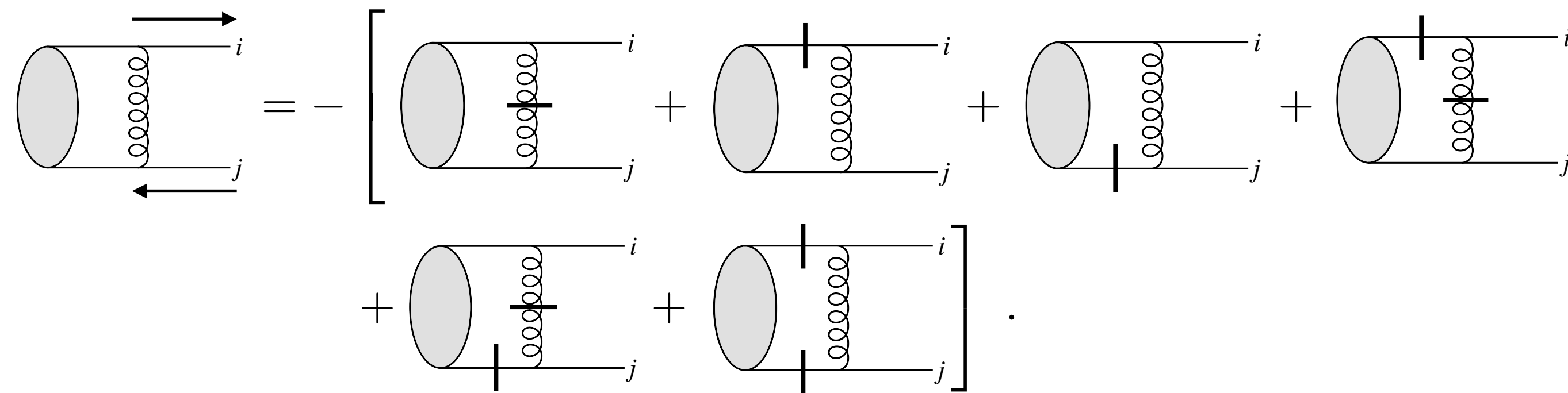
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$$\frac{1}{[q^2 - i0(T \cdot q)]|T \cdot q|} = \frac{1}{[q^2 + i0(T \cdot q)^2]} + 2\pi i \delta(q^2) \theta(T \cdot q)$$



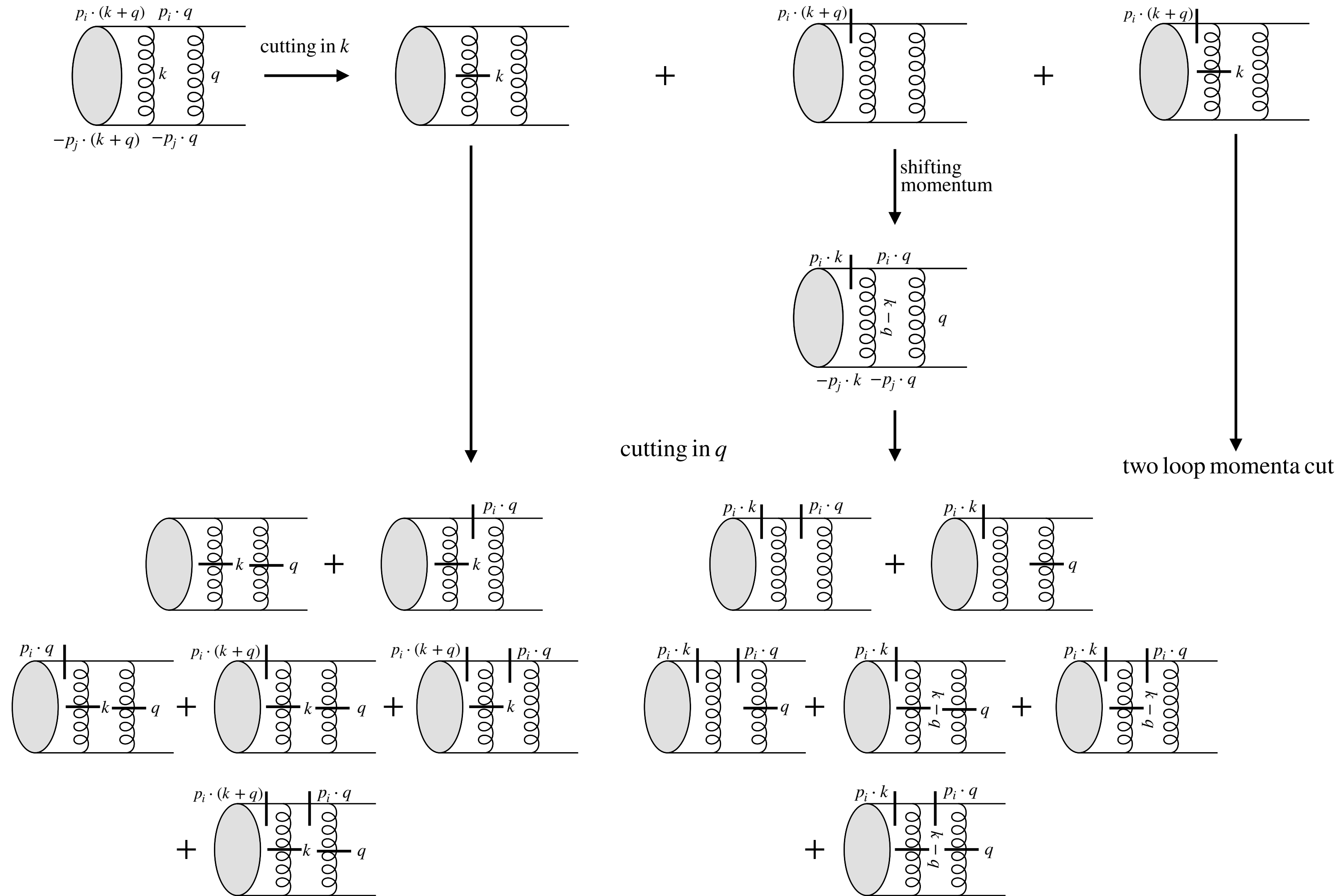
higher-power propagators:

$$\frac{1}{(p_i)^2} = \frac{1}{2p_i \cdot k + i0(T \cdot p_i)^2} + 2\pi i \delta(2p_i \cdot k)$$

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Cutting rules

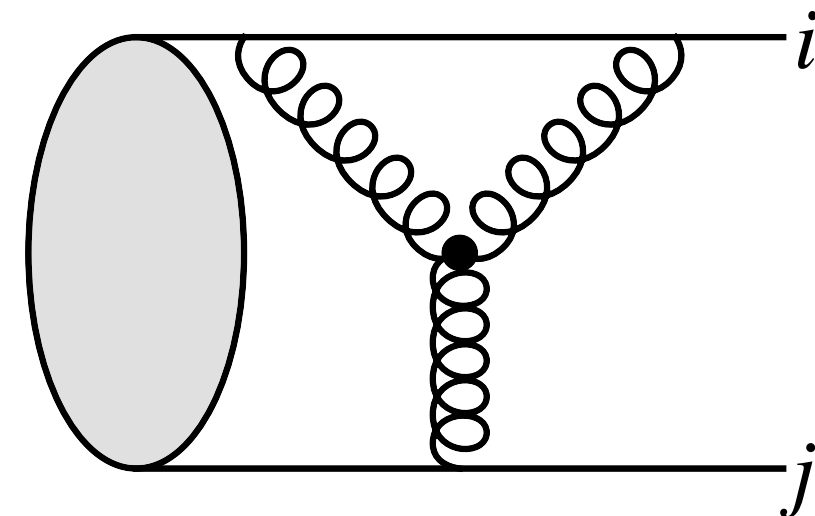


$p_i \cdot (k+q) \quad p_i \cdot q$

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$$\mu^{4\epsilon} \int \frac{\bar{d}^d k}{i\pi^{d/2}} \frac{\bar{d}^d q}{i\pi^{d/2}} \frac{1}{[p_i \cdot k + i0][-p_j \cdot (k+q) + i0][k^2 + i0][q^2 + i0][(k+q)^2 + i0]}$$



$$\mu^{4\epsilon} \int \frac{\bar{d}^d k}{i\pi^{d/2}} \frac{\bar{d}^d q}{i\pi^{d/2}} \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \frac{(2\pi i)^2 \tilde{\delta}(k) \tilde{\delta}(q)}{[p_i \cdot k + i0][(k+q)^2 + i0][-p_j \cdot (k+q) + i0]} \\ & + \frac{(2\pi i)^2 \tilde{\delta}(q) \delta(p_i \cdot k)}{[k^2 + i0][(k+q)^2 + i0][-p_j \cdot (k+q) + i0]} \\ & + \frac{(2\pi i)^2 \tilde{\delta}(k) \tilde{\delta}(q)}{[p_i \cdot k + i0][(q-k)^2 + i0][-p_j \cdot q + i0]} \\ & + \frac{(2\pi i)^2 \tilde{\delta}(q) \delta(p_i \cdot k)}{[k^2 + i0][(q-k)^2 + i0][-p_j \cdot q + i0]} \\ & - \frac{(2\pi i)^2 \tilde{\delta}(q) \tilde{\delta}(k)}{[p_i \cdot (k-q) + i0][(k-q)^2 + i0][-p_j \cdot k + i0]} \\ & + \frac{(2\pi i)^3 \tilde{\delta}(k) \tilde{\delta}(q) \tilde{\delta}(k+q)}{[p_i \cdot k + i0][-p_j \cdot (k+q) + i0]} \\ & + \frac{(2\pi i)^3 \tilde{\delta}(q) \tilde{\delta}(k+q) \delta(p_i \cdot k)}{[k^2 + i0][-p_j \cdot (k+q) + i0]} + \frac{(2\pi i)^3 \tilde{\delta}(q) \tilde{\delta}(k) \tilde{\delta}(q-k)}{[p_i \cdot k + i0][-p_j \cdot q + i0]} \\ & + \frac{(2\pi i)^3 \tilde{\delta}(q-k) \tilde{\delta}(q) \delta(p_i \cdot k)}{[k^2 + i0][-p_j \cdot q + i0]} \end{aligned} \right\}.$$

Eikonal coupling only to hard lines!

see also [Angeles, Forshaw, Seymour – JHEP 12 (2015) 091]

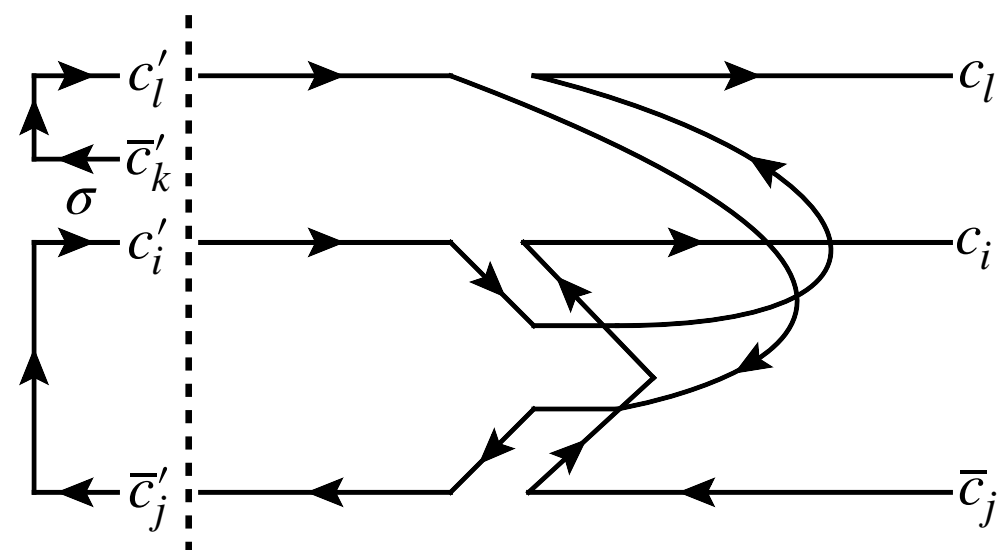
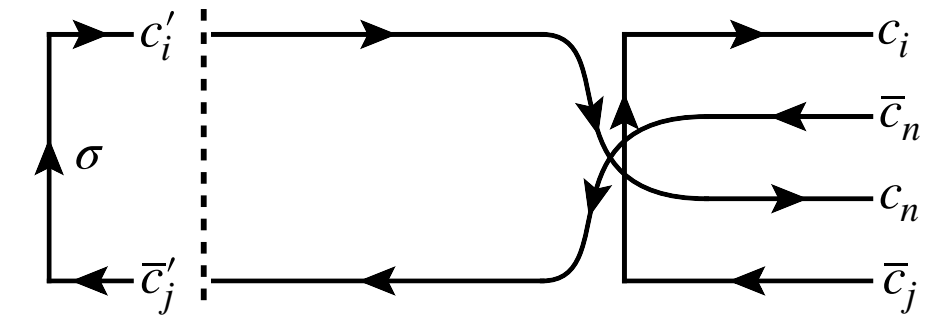
Colour structures at two loops

[Plätzer, Ruffa — arXiv:2012.15215 (to appear in JHEP)]

Analyze two-loop and one-loop/one-emission structures in colour flow basis.

$$[\tau|\mathbf{\Gamma}|\sigma\rangle = (\alpha_s N)[\tau|\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1)}|\sigma\rangle + (\alpha_s N)^2[\tau|\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(2)}|\sigma\rangle + \dots$$

$$[\tau|\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(1,1)}|\sigma\rangle = \left(\frac{1}{N^2}\rho_{\sigma\tau} + \frac{1}{N^4}\rho_{\tau} \right) \delta_{\sigma\tau \setminus n} + \frac{1}{N}\hat{\Sigma}_{\sigma\tau}^{(1,1)} + \frac{1}{N^3}\left(\tilde{\Sigma}_{\sigma\tau}^{(1,1)} + \hat{\tilde{\Sigma}}_{\sigma\tau} \right) + \frac{1}{N^2}\left(\Sigma'_{\sigma\tau}{}^{(1,1)} + \Sigma''_{\sigma\tau}{}^{(1,1)} \right)$$



$$[\tau|\mathbf{\Gamma}^{(2)}|\sigma\rangle = \left(\Gamma_{\sigma}^{(2)} + \frac{1}{N^2}(\rho_{\sigma} + \tilde{\rho}) + \frac{1}{N^4}\rho^{(2)} \right) \delta_{\sigma\tau} \quad \text{no swaps} + \frac{1}{N}\left(\Sigma_{\sigma\tau}^{(2)} + \hat{\Sigma}_{\sigma\tau}^{(2)} \right) + \frac{1}{N^3}\tilde{\Sigma}_{\sigma\tau}^{(2)} + \frac{1}{N^2}\left(\Sigma'_{\sigma\tau}{}^{(2)} + \Sigma''_{\sigma\tau}{}^{(2)} \right)$$

single dipole swaps

double dipole swaps

Colour structures imply colour-diagonal **three parton correlations**: Dipoles are not enough. New approaches need to take this into account.

Amplitude level evolution sets level of complexity to understand and design parton shower and resummation algorithms.

Crucial to address effects of Coulomb/Glauber phases, factorisation violation, super-leading logarithms, ... — otherwise out of reach.

Investigate soft gluon effects at two loops (and related):

- Understand colour structures for many external legs and systematically expand around large- N limit.
- Design resummation of non-global observables beyond leading log and leading- N , investigate phases.
- Key ingredient for decisive statements about most flexible parton showers beyond leading order.

Thank you!