

On the Generalized Unitarity of Dimensionally Regulated Amplitudes

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$$\sigma^{NLO} = \int_m d\sigma^B + \int_m \left(d\sigma^V + \int_1 d\sigma^A \right) + \int_{m+1} \left(d\sigma^R - d\sigma^A \right)$$

- ▶ $d\sigma^B$ is the Born exclusive cross section ($\bar{\Sigma} A^B A^{B*}$).
- ▶ $d\sigma^V$ is the virtual correction ($\bar{\Sigma} \Re[A^B A^{V*}]$). It involves loop diagrams to be renormalized in \overline{MS} scheme.
- ▶ $d\sigma^R$ is the real corrections, affected (together with $d\sigma^V$) by soft and collinear divergencies.
- ▶ $d\sigma^A$ and $\int_1 d\sigma^A$ are unintegrated and integrated counterterms (allowing to compute real emission of massless particles in 4 dimensions).

Four Dimensional Feynman Rules for gauge theories regularized bare one-loop diagrams

In Feynman- 't Hooft gauge

- ▶ Gauge propagators in a loop

$$\begin{array}{c} k \\ \bullet \text{-----} \bullet \\ a, \alpha \quad b, \beta \end{array} = -i \delta^{ab} \frac{g^{\alpha\beta}}{k^2 - \mu^2} \quad (\text{gluon}),$$

$$\begin{array}{c} k \\ \bullet \text{-----} \bullet \\ a \quad b \end{array} = i \delta^{ab} \frac{1}{k^2 - \mu^2} \quad (\text{ghost}),$$

$$\begin{array}{c} k \\ \bullet \text{-----} \bullet \\ a, A \quad b, B \end{array} = -i \delta^{ab} \frac{G^{AB}}{k^2 - \mu^2} \quad (\text{scalar}),$$

The scalars come from a dimensional reduction of $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensional gluons vector fields.

In $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions we perform the decomposition of the loop momentum \bar{k}^α in a 4D part k^α and in a -2ϵ - dimensional **fixed** vector μ^α

$$\bar{k}^\alpha = k^\alpha + \mu^\alpha$$

$$\bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} = g^{\alpha\beta} + \tilde{g}^{\alpha\beta} \quad \tilde{g}^{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow G^{AB} \quad \mu^\alpha \rightarrow i\mu Q^A \quad (2)$$

The tripotent matrix $\tilde{g}^{\alpha\beta}$ cannot have a four dimensional representation, however the orthogonality conditions

$$\tilde{g}^{\mu\rho} g_{\rho\nu} = 0, \quad \tilde{g}^\mu{}_\mu = -2\epsilon \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} 0, \quad g^\mu{}_\mu = 4,$$

are satisfied if

$$G^{AB} G^{BC} = G^{AC}, \quad G^{AA} = 0, \quad G^{AB} = G^{BA}.$$

- ▶ Fermion propagator in a loop
Dirac matrices have the following decomposition

$$\bar{\gamma}^\alpha = \gamma^\alpha + \tilde{\gamma}^\alpha$$

and satisfy in D dimensions the Clifford algebra

$$\{\bar{\gamma}^\alpha, \bar{\gamma}^\beta\} = \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta}.$$

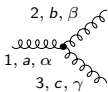
A possible 4D representation of $\tilde{\gamma}$ matrices is therefore in terms of γ^5

$$\tilde{\gamma}^\alpha = \gamma^5 \Gamma^A.$$

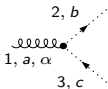
By imposing the rule $Q^A \Gamma^A = 1$ in order to recover $\not{k}\not{k} = -\mu^2$, the fermion propagator suitable for dimensionally regulated amplitudes is

$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \bar{j} \end{array} \xrightarrow{k} \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ i \end{array} = i\delta_j^i \frac{\not{k} + i\mu\gamma^5 + m}{k^2 - m^2 - \mu^2 + i0}.$$

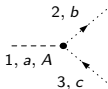
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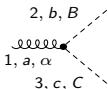
$$= -g f^{abc} \left[(k_1 - k_2)^\gamma g^{\alpha\beta} + (k_2 - k_3)^\alpha g^{\beta\gamma} + (k_3 - k_1)^\beta g^{\gamma\alpha} \right],$$



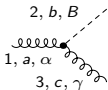
$$= -g f^{abc} k_2^\alpha,$$



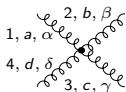
$$= -ig f^{abc} \mu Q^A,$$



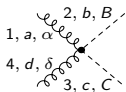
$$= -g f^{abc} (k_2 - k_3)^\alpha G^{BC},$$



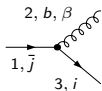
$$= \mp g f^{abc} (i\mu) g^{\gamma\alpha} Q^B \quad (\tilde{k}_1 = 0, \quad \tilde{k}_3 = \pm \tilde{\ell})$$



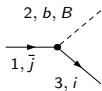
$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -ig^2 [\\
 &\quad + f^{xad} f^{xbc} (g^{\alpha\beta} g^{\delta\gamma} - g^{\alpha\gamma} g^{\beta\delta}) \\
 &\quad + f^{xac} f^{xbd} (g^{\alpha\beta} g^{\delta\gamma} - g^{\alpha\delta} g^{\beta\gamma}) \\
 &\quad + f^{xab} f^{xdc} (g^{\alpha\delta} g^{\beta\gamma} - g^{\alpha\gamma} g^{\beta\delta})] ,
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2ig^2 g^{\alpha\delta} (f^{xab} f^{xcd} \\
 &\quad + f^{xac} f^{xbd}) G^{BC} ,
 \end{aligned}$$



$$= -ig (t^b)^i_{\bar{j}} \gamma^\beta ,$$



$$= -ig (t^b)^i_{\bar{j}} \gamma^5 \Gamma^B$$

► Selection rules (-2ϵ SRs)

In the -2ϵ -dimensional vector space the following rules

$$\begin{aligned}
 G^{AB}G^{BC} &= G^{AC}, & G^{AA} &= 0, & G^{AB} &= G^{BA}, \\
 \Gamma^A G^{AB} &= \Gamma^B, & \Gamma^A \Gamma^A &= 0, & Q^A \Gamma^A &= 1, \\
 Q^A G^{AB} &= Q^B, & Q^A Q^A &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

completely define our four dimensional formulation in agreement with the **Four Dimensional Helicity scheme** up to spurious terms as explicitly checked in reproducing the numerator of QCD amplitudes of the following processes

$$\begin{aligned}
 q\bar{q} &\rightarrow t\bar{t}, & gg &\rightarrow t\bar{t}, & t\bar{t} &\rightarrow t\bar{t}, \\
 gg &\rightarrow gg, & q\bar{q} &\rightarrow t\bar{t}g, & gg &\rightarrow t\bar{t}g, \\
 q\bar{q} &\rightarrow t\bar{t}q'\bar{q}'.
 \end{aligned}$$

Generalized Internal legs

- ▶ Generalized subluminal Dirac equation

$$(\ell + i\mu\gamma^5 + m) u_\lambda(\ell) = 0,$$

$$(\ell + i\mu\gamma^5 - m) v_\lambda(\ell) = 0,$$

$$\ell^\mu = \ell^{b\mu} + \frac{m^2 + \mu^2}{2l \cdot q_\ell} q^\mu{}_\ell; \quad (\ell^b)^2 = 0 = q^2.$$

- ▶ Generalized spinors

$$u_+(\ell) = \left| \ell^b \right\rangle + \frac{(m - i\mu)}{[\ell^b q_\ell]} |q_\ell],$$

$$u_-(\ell) = \left| \ell^b \right] + \frac{(m + i\mu)}{\langle \ell^b q_\ell \rangle} |q_\ell\rangle,$$

$$v_-(\ell) = \left| \ell^b \right\rangle - \frac{(m - i\mu)}{[\ell^b q_\ell]} |q_\ell],$$

$$v_+(\ell) = \left| \ell^b \right] - \frac{(m + i\mu)}{\langle \ell^b q_\ell \rangle} |q_\ell\rangle.$$

- ▶ Polarization sum of the generalized fermions

$$\sum_{\lambda=\pm} u_{\lambda}(\ell) \bar{u}_{\lambda}(\ell) = \not{\ell} + i\mu\gamma^5 + m,$$

$$\sum_{\lambda=\pm} v_{\lambda}(\ell) \bar{v}_{\lambda}(\ell) = \not{\ell} + i\mu\gamma^5 - m.$$

► D dimensional Polarization Vectors

In Arnowitt-Fickler gauge the helicity sum of the transverse polarization vectors is

$$\sum_{i=1}^{D-2} \varepsilon_{i(D)}^{\alpha}(\bar{\ell}, \bar{\eta}) \varepsilon_{i(D)}^{*\beta}(\bar{\ell}, \bar{\eta}) = -\bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{\bar{\ell}^{\alpha} \bar{\eta}^{\beta} + \bar{\ell}^{\beta} \bar{\eta}^{\alpha}}{\bar{\ell} \cdot \bar{\eta}} - \frac{\bar{\eta}^2 \bar{\ell}^{\alpha} \bar{\ell}^{\beta}}{(\bar{\eta} \cdot \bar{\ell})^2}$$

$$\bar{\ell} \cdot \bar{\eta} \neq 0$$

From the gauge invariance in D dimensions the choice of the fixed D -dimensional gauge vector

$$\bar{\eta}^{\alpha} = \mu^{\alpha}$$

allows the disentanglement

$$\sum_{i=1}^{D-2} \varepsilon_{i(D)}^{\alpha}(\bar{\ell}, \bar{\eta}) \varepsilon_{i(D)}^{*\beta}(\bar{\ell}, \bar{\eta}) = \left(-g^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{\ell^{\alpha} \ell^{\beta}}{\mu^2} \right) - \left(\tilde{g}^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{\mu^{\alpha} \mu^{\beta}}{\mu^2} \right).$$

► Generalized Polarization Vectors

By decomposing the massive four 4-momentum ℓ^μ into two massless 4-vectors

$$\ell^\alpha = \ell^{b\alpha} + \hat{q}_\ell^\alpha$$

the polarization vectors for a μ -massive vector particle are

$$\varepsilon_+^\alpha(\ell) = -\frac{[\ell^b | \gamma^\alpha | \hat{q}_\ell \rangle}{\sqrt{2}\mu}, \quad \varepsilon_-^\alpha(\ell) = -\frac{\langle \ell^b | \gamma^\alpha | \hat{q}_\ell]}{\sqrt{2}\mu},$$

$$\varepsilon_0^\alpha(\ell) = \frac{\ell^{b\alpha} - \hat{q}_\ell^\alpha}{\mu}$$

$$\sum_{\lambda=\pm,0} \varepsilon_\lambda^\alpha(\ell) \varepsilon_\lambda^{*\beta}(\ell) = -g^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{\ell^\alpha \ell^\beta}{\mu^2}$$

$$\varepsilon_\pm^2(\ell) = 0, \quad \varepsilon_\pm(\ell) \cdot \varepsilon_\mp(\ell) = -1,$$

$$\varepsilon_0^2(\ell) = -1, \quad \varepsilon_\pm(\ell) \cdot \varepsilon_0(\ell) = 0,$$

$$\varepsilon_\lambda(\ell) \cdot \ell = 0.$$

The numerator of cut propagator of the scalar can be expressed in terms of the (-2ϵ) -SRs:

$$\tilde{g}^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{\mu^\alpha \mu^\beta}{\mu^2} \rightarrow \hat{G}^{AB} \equiv G^{AB} - Q^A Q^B.$$

The factor \hat{G}^{AB} can be easily accounted for by defining the cut propagator as

$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \text{a, A} \quad \text{b, B} \end{array} \quad = \quad \hat{G}^{AB} \delta^{ab}.$$

Four point massless one-loop primitive amplitudes A_4

From the reduction theorem a dimensionally regularized A_4 is decomposed in a cut-constructible part and in a rational part (\mathcal{R}) expressed in terms of scalar integrals in $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions. The coefficients c_i are rational functions of the external momenta and polarizations. In a renormalizable theory, where the rank of an n -point tensor integral is n ,

$$A_4 = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{2-\epsilon}} \left[c_{1|2|3|4;0} I_{1|2|3|4} + (c_{12|3|4;0} I_{12|3|4} + c_{1|2|34;0} I_{1|2|34} + c_{1|23|4;0} I_{1|23|4} + c_{2|3|41;0} I_{2|3|41} + (c_{12|34;0} I_{12|34} + c_{23|41;0} I_{23|41})) \right] + \mathcal{R} + O(\epsilon),$$

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{2-\epsilon}} \left[c_{1|2|3|4;4} I_{1|2|3|4}[\mu^4] + (c_{12|3|4;2} I_{12|34}[\mu^2] + c_{1|2|34;2} I_{1|2|34}[\mu^2] + c_{1|23|4;2} I_{1|23|4}[\mu^2] + c_{2|3|41;2} I_{2|3|41}[\mu^2]) + (c_{12|34;2} I_{12|34}[\mu^2] + c_{23|41;2} I_{23|41}[\mu^2]) \right],$$

The integrals over μ^2 can be performed by separating the integration into 4 and $D - 4$ dimensional parts

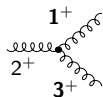
$$\int \frac{d^D \bar{\ell}}{(2\pi)^D} = \int \frac{d^{-\epsilon}(\mu^2)}{(2\pi)^{-2\epsilon}} \int \frac{d^4 \ell}{(2\pi)^4}.$$

By using polar coordinates in the -2ϵ dimensional Euclidean vector space, all the integrals in \mathcal{R} can be computed. In particular

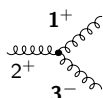
$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} I_{1|2|3|4}^{4-2\epsilon}[\mu^4] = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \left(-\epsilon(1-\epsilon) I_{1|2|3|4}^{8-2\epsilon} \right) = -\frac{1}{6}.$$

The all helicity-plus four gluons planar amplitude with a gluonic loop

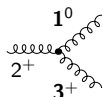
In order to reconstruct the full μ dependence and to obtain by cut construction the rational coefficients of the master decomposition, the following color-ordered trees are needed. With all outgoing momenta



$$= 0,$$



$$= ig \left(\frac{[\mathbf{1}^b|2][\hat{q}_1|2]}{\mu} + \frac{\langle r_2|\mathbf{1}|2\rangle}{\langle r_2|2\rangle} \right) r_2 - \text{independent},$$



$$= 0,$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \mathbf{1}^0 \\
 \text{wavy} \\
 \mathbf{2}^+ \bullet \\
 \text{wavy} \\
 \mathbf{3}^-
 \end{array}
 = \frac{\sqrt{2}ig [\hat{q}_1|2]^2}{\mu},$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \mathbf{1}^- \\
 \text{wavy} \\
 \mathbf{2}^+ \bullet \\
 \text{wavy} \\
 \mathbf{3}^-
 \end{array}
 = ig \frac{[\hat{q}_1|2] [\hat{q}_3|2] \langle \mathbf{1}^p | \mathbf{3}^p \rangle}{\mu^2},$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \mathbf{1}^0 \\
 \text{wavy} \\
 \mathbf{2}^+ \bullet \\
 \text{wavy} \\
 \mathbf{3}^0
 \end{array}
 = -ig \frac{\langle r_2 | \mathbf{1} | 2 \rangle}{\langle r_2 | 2 \rangle} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(1 + \xi)}{\xi \mu^2} \left[(1 + \xi) \mu^2 + \xi \langle \hat{q}_1 | 2 | \hat{q}_1 \rangle \right] \right\},$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \mathbf{1} \\
 \text{wavy} \\
 \mathbf{2}^+ \bullet \\
 \text{dashed} \\
 \mathbf{3}
 \end{array}
 = \frac{ig}{\sqrt{2}} (\mathbf{3} - \mathbf{1})^\mu \varepsilon_\mu^+(2, r_2) G^{AB} \\
 = -ig \frac{\langle r_2 | \mathbf{1} | 2 \rangle}{\langle r_2 | 2 \rangle} G^{AB}$$

where $\hat{q}_3 = \xi \hat{q}_1$.

The box coefficients are obtained by the following attaching procedure, with the external legs of the trees on the generalized mass-shell

$$C_{1|2|3|4}^{[0]} =$$

$$C_{1|2|3|4; 4}^{[0]} = 3g^4 i \frac{[12] [34]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle}$$

in which the relations

$$\langle \mathbf{j}^b | \hat{q}_j \rangle = [\hat{q}_j | \mathbf{j}^b] = \mu$$

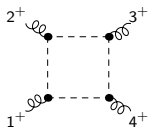
allow to obtain a polynomial numerator in μ .

$$C_{1|2|3|4}^{[1]} = \sum_{h_i = \pm, 0} \mathcal{T}_1 \quad + \text{c.p.},$$

$$C_{1|2|3|4}^{[2]} = \sum_{h_i = \pm, 0} \mathcal{T}_1^2$$

$$+ \mathcal{T}_2 \quad + \text{c.p.},$$

$$C_{1|2|3|4}^{[3]} = \sum_{h_i = \pm, 0} \mathcal{T}_3 \quad + \text{c.p.},$$

$$C_{1|2|3|4}^{[4]} = \mathcal{T}_4$$


$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}_1 &= Q^A \hat{G}^{AB} Q^B &= 0, \\ \mathcal{T}_2 &= Q^A \hat{G}^{AB} G^{BC} \hat{G}^{CD} Q^D &= 0, \\ \mathcal{T}_3 &= Q^A \hat{G}^{AB} G^{BC} \hat{G}^{CD} G^{DE} \hat{G}^{EF} Q^F &= 0, \\ \mathcal{T}_4 &= \text{tr} \left(G \hat{G} G \hat{G} G \hat{G} G \hat{G} \right) &= -1. \end{aligned}$$

$$c_{1|2|3|4; 4} = c_{1|2|3|4; 4}^{[0]} + c_{1|2|3|4; 4}^{[4]} = 3g^4 i \frac{[12][34]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle} - ig^4 \frac{[12][34]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle},$$

$$A_4^{1\text{-loop}}(1_g^+, 2_g^+, 3_g^+, 4_g^+) = \frac{2ig^4}{16\pi^2} \times \left(-\frac{1}{6} \right) \times \frac{[12][34]}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle}.$$

External fermion primitive amplitudes

The color ordered tree stripped of the coupling constant

$$A_4^{\text{tree}}(1^+, 2^-, 3_{\bar{q}}^-, 4_q^+) = -i \frac{\langle 13 \rangle^3 \langle 14 \rangle}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 41 \rangle}$$

The leading-color (with color factor $N_c (T^{a_1} T^{a_2})_{\bar{j}_3}^{i_4}$) decomposition to a one-loop amplitude with two external massless fermions in QCD with one flavor can be decomposed into **gauge invariant subamplitudes** made of left and right turnings diagrams

$$A_{4;1}^{1-\text{loop}} = A_4^L - \frac{1}{N_c^2} A_4^R + \frac{1}{N_c} A_4^{L,[1/2]}.$$

For this specific helicity configuration

$$A_4^{L,[1/2]} = 0.$$

The non-planar subamplitudes (with color factor $\text{Tr}(T^{a_1} T^{a_2}) \delta_{\bar{j}_3}^{i_4}$) are expressed in terms of $A_{4;1}$.

LEFT turning amplitude

$$C_{1|2|3|4}^{[L]} =$$

The diagrams show four terms in a sum. The first three terms are tree-level diagrams with wavy internal lines and various helicity labels (+, -, 0, ±). The fourth term is a loop diagram with dashed internal lines. External lines are labeled 1, 2, 3, 4.

$$C_{1|2|3|4; 0}^{[L]} = \frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \left(1 - \frac{s_{14}^3}{s_{13}^3} \right) s_{12} s_{14},$$

$$C_{1|2|3|4; 4}^{[L]} = 0.$$

The triple cuts are given by

$$C_{12|3|4}^{[L]} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1: Triangle with wavy lines, top vertex +, bottom-left -, bottom-right -, internal lines \pm/\mp} \end{array} & + & \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 2: Triangle with wavy lines, top vertex -, bottom-left +, bottom-right +, internal lines \pm/\mp} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 3: Triangle with wavy lines, top vertex 0, bottom-left 0, bottom-right 0, internal lines \pm/\mp} \end{array} & + & \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 4: Triangle with wavy lines, top vertex 0, bottom-left 0, bottom-right 0, internal lines \pm/\mp} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 5: Triangle with wavy lines, top vertex 0, bottom-left 0, bottom-right 0, internal lines \pm/\mp} \end{array} & + & \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 6: Triangle with wavy lines, top vertex 0, bottom-left 0, bottom-right 0, internal lines \pm/\mp} \end{array} \end{array} ,$$

$$C_{12|3|4; 0}^{[L]} = \frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \left(1 - \frac{s_{14}^3}{s_{13}^2} \right) s_{12} ,$$

$$C_{12|3|4; 2}^{[L]} = \frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \left(2 - \frac{s_{12}^2}{s_{13}^2} \right) ;$$

$$C_{1|2|34}^{[L]} =$$

$$+$$

$$+$$

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$$,$$

$$C_{1|2|34; 0}^{[L]} = -\frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \left(1 + \frac{s_{14}^3}{s_{13}^3} \right) s_{12},$$

$$C_{1|2|34; 2}^{[L]} = -\frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \frac{s_{12}^2}{s_{13}^2};$$

$$C_{1|23|4}^{[L]} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & & 3 \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{wavy} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{+} & & \text{-} \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{wavy} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ 1 & & 4 \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{+} & & \text{-} \end{array} & + & \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & & 3 \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{wavy} \\ \text{0} & & \text{-} \\ \text{0} & & \text{+} \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{wavy} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ 1 & & 4 \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{0} & & \text{0} \end{array} & + & \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & & 3 \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{---} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ 1 & & 4 \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \end{array} \end{array},$$

$$C_{1|23|4;0}^{[L]} = -\frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \left(1 + \frac{S_{14}^3}{S_{13}^3} \right) S_{14},$$

$$C_{1|23|4;2}^{[L]} = -\frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \frac{S_{14} S_{12}}{S_{13}^2};$$

$$C_{2|3|41}^{[L]} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & & 3 \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{wavy} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{+} & & \text{-} \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{wavy} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ 1 & & 4 \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{+} & & \text{-} \end{array} & + & \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & & 3 \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{wavy} \\ \text{0} & & \text{0} \\ \text{0} & & \text{-} \\ \text{0} & & \text{+} \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{wavy} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ 1 & & 4 \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{0} & & \text{0} \end{array} & + & \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & & 3 \\ \text{wavy} & & \text{---} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ 1 & & 4 \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \\ \text{---} & & \text{---} \end{array} \end{array},$$

$$C_{2|3|41;0}^{[L]} = -\frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \left(1 + \frac{S_{14}^3}{S_{13}^3} \right) S_{14},$$

$$C_{2|3|41;2}^{[L]} = -\frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \frac{S_{14} S_{12}}{S_{13}^2}.$$

The double cuts read as follows

$$C_{12|34}^{[L]} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} + - \\ \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \\ - + \end{array} \\ + \\ \begin{array}{c} + - \\ \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \\ 0 \quad 0 \end{array} \\ + \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \quad 0 \\ \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \\ - + \end{array} \\ + \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \quad 0 \\ \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \\ 0 \quad 0 \end{array} \\ + \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \end{array} \end{array} ,$$

$$C_{12|34; 0}^{[L]} = A_4^{\text{tree}} \frac{s_{14}}{s_{13}} \left(\frac{s_{14}}{s_{13}} - \frac{1}{2} \right) ,$$

$$C_{12|34; 2}^{[L]} = 0 ;$$

$$C_{23|41}^{[L]} = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ - \quad + \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \end{array} \\ + \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ 0 \quad 0 \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \end{array} \\ + \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ 0 \quad 0 \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \end{array} \\ + \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{2} \quad \text{3} \\ - \quad + \\ \text{1} \quad \text{4} \end{array} \end{array} ,$$

$$C_{23|41; 0}^{[L]} = A_4^{\text{tree}} \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{s_{14}^2}{s_{13}^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{s_{14}}{s_{13}} \right) ,$$

$$C_{23|41; 2}^{[L]} = 0 .$$

The full one loop unrenormalized **left turning** contribution stripped of the color factor and of the g^4 coupling constant factor is

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_4^{1-loop} (1_g^-, 2_g^+, 3_{\bar{q}}^-, 4_q^+) &= r_{\Gamma} A_4^{\text{tree}} (-, +; +-) (-s_{12})^{-\epsilon} \times \\
 &\times \left\{ \frac{3}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{3}{2\epsilon} - \frac{2}{\epsilon} \log \left(\frac{s_{14}}{s_{12}} \right) + \frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \log^2 \left(\frac{s_{12}}{s_{14}} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{3}{2} \log \left(\frac{s_{14}}{s_{12}} \right) \right. \\
 &\left. + \frac{1}{2} \frac{s_{14}}{s_{13}} \left[\left(1 + \left(\frac{s_{14}}{s_{13}} \right) \log \left(\frac{s_{14}}{s_{12}} \right) \right)^2 - \log \left(\frac{s_{14}}{s_{12}} \right) + \left(\frac{s_{14}}{s_{13}} \right)^2 \pi^2 \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{15}$$

with all the $\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}$ and double *logs* diagnosing the infrared divergencies. The result agrees with the Feynman diagrams computations of Kunszt-Signer-Trocsanyi (KST) (1993) in the FDH scheme.

The right turning amplitude

As a sample of the calculation of the right turning contribution to the amplitude consider the quadruple cut

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{1|2|3|4}^{[R]} &= \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} , \\
 c_{1|2|3|4; 0}^{[R]} &= -\frac{1}{2} A_4^{\text{tree}} \frac{s_{12}^3}{s_{13}^3} s_{12} s_{14} , \\
 c_{1|2|3|4; 4}^{[R]} &= 0 .
 \end{aligned}$$

The total amplitude is in fully agreement with KST (1993).

NLO QCD corrections to Higgs to partons

- ▶ For 2 gluons \rightarrow Higgs we use an effective operator with $m_{\text{top}} \rightarrow \infty$.

$$L_{\text{int}} = \frac{C}{2} H \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

- ▶ The leading tree-level color ordered amplitude $0 \rightarrow gggH$

$$A_{4,H}^{\text{tree}}(1^- 2^+ 3^+ H) = i \frac{[23]^4}{[12][23][31]}.$$

- ▶ As an example of application of our regularization scheme to an effective field theory consider at **two loops** in the large m_{top} limit the color ordered primitive amplitude

$$A_{4,H}^{1\text{-loop}}(1^- 2^+ 3^+ H)$$

To see just how the procedure works consider firstly some quadruple cuts:

$$C_{1|2|3|H} = \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2},$$

$$C_{1|2|3|H;0} = -\frac{1}{2} A_{4,H}^{\text{tree}} s_{12} s_{23},$$

$$C_{1|2|3|H;4} = 0;$$

$$C_{1|2|H|3} = \text{Diagram 3} + \text{Diagram 4},$$

$$C_{1|2|H|3;0} = -\frac{1}{2} A_{4,H}^{\text{tree}} s_{13} s_{12},$$

$$C_{1|2|H|3;4} = 0.$$

.....and by omitting for reasons of time many other contributions.....and just considering some among the double cuts

$$C_{23|H1} = \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2}$$

$$C_{23|H1;0} = 0$$

$$C_{23|H1;2} = 4A_{4,H}^{\text{tree}} \frac{s_{12}s_{13}}{s_{23}^3} .$$

By collecting all master integrals coefficients we recognize a full agreement with the the full Feynman diagrams calculations in the FDH scheme performed by Schmidt in 1997, the result is

$$\begin{aligned}
A_4^{1-loop}(1^-, 2^+, 3^+, H) &= r_{\Gamma} A_4^{tree} \times \\
&\left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} [(-s_{12})^{-\epsilon} + (-s_{13})^{-\epsilon} + (-s_{23})^{-\epsilon}] - \frac{\pi^2}{2} \right. \\
&+ \left[2\text{Li}_2\left(1 - \frac{s_{12}}{m_H^2}\right) + 2\text{Li}_2\left(1 - \frac{s_{13}}{m_H^2}\right) + 2\text{Li}_2\left(1 - \frac{s_{23}}{m_H^2}\right) \right] \\
&+ \left[\log\left(\frac{s_{12}}{m_H^2}\right) \log\left(\frac{s_{23}}{m_H^2}\right) + \log\left(\frac{s_{12}}{m_H^2}\right) \log\left(\frac{s_{13}}{m_H^2}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \log\left(\frac{s_{13}}{m_H^2}\right) \log\left(\frac{s_{23}}{m_H^2}\right) \right] \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{1}{3} \frac{s_{12}s_{13} + s_{12}s_{23} + s_{13}s_{23}}{m_H^2} + 1 \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

Conclusions and perspectives

- ▶ A four-dimensional formulation (*FDF*) of dimensional regularization of one-loop scattering amplitudes has been applied to generalized unitarity techniques and proved to be robust. At one loop the cut-constructible part and the rational part of scattering amplitudes have been computed by the same on-shell methods.
- ▶ The *FDF* Feynman rules will be extended to the recursive methods for generating the integrand of one-loop amplitudes.
- ▶ The inclusion of the fermion mass for a one loop amplitude like $0 \rightarrow gg\bar{t}t$ at one loop in *FDF* will be analysed.
- ▶ More loops and more jets in *FDF* is another goal to achieve.
- ▶ An important issue is to apply *FDF* for real corrections and corresponding subtraction terms of infrared divergencies.