Novel Aspects of Energy Correlators in N=4 super Yang-Mills Theory

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EVENT SHAPE

How do we describe the final states produced in particle scattering?

How is the total scattering energy divided in the hadronic final state?

Event shape:

measure the geometric distribution of energy flow, discriminate between jet-like vs. spherical events e.g. Thrust, Sphericity, C-parameter, N-jettiness, jet finding algorithms,...



Explicit calculations will be crucial for uncovering hidden simplicity and structures

MULTI-POINT ENERGY FLOW CORRELATION

Final state is an ensemble of varying number of particles, characterized by energy flow

$$\mathbf{E}(n) \coloneqq \sum_{i \in X} E_i \, \delta^2(n - \Omega_i)$$

- Simplest event shape: expectation value of energy flow in fixed direction: $\langle E(n) \rangle$

Energy flow distribution $\langle E(n) \rangle = \frac{q^0}{4\pi}$ Evenly distributed for unpolarized source.

- Two-particle correlators $\langle E(n_1)E(n_2) \rangle$



Analytic structure for higher-point correlators?



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(Muiti-point) Energy Correlators: correlation of energy deposited in detectors in different directions as function of the angles between them

Novel observables in collider physics measured at the LHC

N –point Energy Correlators in the multi-collinear limit:

$$\mathbf{E}^{\mathbf{N}}\mathbf{C} \stackrel{\text{coll.}}{=} \int_{0}^{1} dx_{1} \cdots dx_{N} \,\delta(1 - \sum_{i} x_{i}) \,(x_{1} \cdots x_{N})^{2} \,\mathcal{P}_{1 \rightarrow N}^{(0)}$$

x_i: energy carried by collinear particles

Parametric representation similar to Feynman loop integrals

Potential for developing amplitudes methods for the study of physical observables



Exhibits an OPE in the (multi-) collinear limit

key for understanding the conformal light-ray OPE [Chang et al, 2202.04090][Chen et al, 2202.04085] Multi-collinear limit: relevant in the studies of jet physics

new jet substructure calculations [Komiske et al, 2201.07800] A potential playground for novel onshell methods in scattering amplitudes[Shounak De et al,2308.03753] [Arkani-Hamed,Yuan,1712.09991.] [Gong, Yuan, 2206.06507]

Offshell definition

0:

$$EEC(\chi; q^2) = \int d^4x \ e^{i \ q \cdot x} \langle O(x) \ E(n)E(n')O(0) \rangle$$

D: half BPS operator (N=4)
electromagnetic current (QCD)
$$\boxed{\sim \int dx_{2,-}dx_{3,-} \ \langle O \ T \ T \ O \rangle} \qquad E(n) \coloneqq \lim_{r \to \infty} r^2 \int dx_- n^j T_{0j}(t = x_- + r, r \ \vec{n})$$

$$EEC(\zeta) \sim \int d^4x \ e^{iq \cdot x} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx_{2-} dx_{3-} \lim_{x_{2+,3+} \to \infty} x_{2+}^2 x_{3+}^2 \langle 0 | O^{\dagger}(x) O(x_2) O(x_3) O(0) | 0 \rangle$$

Detector time integration
$$Wightman correlation function$$

[Henn,Sokatchev,Yan,Zhiboedov,19']

$$\langle O(x_1)O(x_2)O(x_3)O(x_4)\rangle = \frac{\Phi(u,v)}{x_{12}^4 x_{34}^4} \qquad u = \frac{x_{14}^2 x_{23}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}, v = \frac{x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2}.$$

Analytically continue to Minkowski space: \rightarrow G(u,v)

Double discontinuity formula:

$$\int_{C_2} dx_{2-} \int_{C_3} dx'_{3-} \operatorname{disc}_{x_{2-}=x_-} \operatorname{disc}_{x'_{3-}=0} [\mathcal{G}(u,v)]$$

Works well for two-point correlator (in particular in N=4 SYM). Difficult to generalize to higher point.



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Onshell definition

$$\langle \mathbf{E}(n_1)\mathbf{E}(n_2)\dots\mathbf{E}(n_N) \rangle = \sum_{k>N} \int d \Pi_k \, \delta^2(n_i - \Omega_i) \cdots \delta^2(n_N - \Omega_N) \frac{E_1 \cdots E_N}{Q^N} FF_k(O)$$

 $FF_k(0)$: $|\langle 0|0|1,2,...,k\rangle|^2$ summed over helicity, color and permutations on final states

Analytic function of distances on the celestial sphere: $\zeta_{ij} = \frac{q^2(n_i \cdot n_j)}{2(n_i \cdot q)(n_j \cdot q)}$

k = N + 1: Leading order. Manifestly finite integration over tree-level matrix element $FF_{N+1}^{(0)}$



N –point Energy correlators @*LO*

Master formula : energy integrations over onshell tree-level (N + 1)-point squared Form Factor

 $E^{N}C = \mathcal{F}_{N}(\zeta_{ij}) + perms(1, 2 \cdots, N)$ $\mathcal{F}_{N}^{LO} := \int_{0}^{1} d x_{1} \dots d x_{N} \,\delta(1 - Q_{N})(x_{1} \cdots x_{N})^{2} \left| F_{N+1}^{(0)}(O) \right|^{2}$ $Q_{N} := x_{1} + \dots + x_{N} - \sum_{i,j} x_{i}x_{j} \,\zeta_{ij}$

$$x_{i} = \frac{2E_{i}}{Q} \qquad s_{ij} = x_{i}x_{j}\zeta_{ij} \qquad s_{ijk} = x_{i}x_{j}\zeta_{ij} + x_{j}x_{k}\zeta_{jk} + x_{i}x_{k}\zeta_{ik}, \text{ etc}$$

$$\left|F_{N+1}^{(0)}(O)\right|^{2} = \left|F_{N+1}^{(0)}(O)\right|_{MHV} \times (\text{products of ratios between madelstam variables })$$

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Perturbative results

 $\langle \mathrm{E}(n_1)\mathrm{E}(n_2)\rangle$



 $\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_2)$

 $\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_3)$



max.weight 5 HPL + *Elliptic*

 $\langle \mathbf{E}(n_1)\mathbf{E}(n_2)\mathbf{E}(n_3)\rangle$

 $\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}_1)$

 $O(\alpha^2)$ $\mathcal{F}(\zeta_{12},\zeta_{13},\zeta_{23}) @L0$

max. weight 2 polylogs

16 letters, 2 types of squre roots

Basis of classical polylogarithms First entry conditions

 $O(\alpha^3)$?

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N –point Energy correlators @LO

For arbitrary *N*, given by manifestly *finite N-fold energy integrals*. Go to higher order *in the coupling constants without encountering IR divergence*.

They admit parametric representation similar to Feynman loop integrals.

Built entirely from tree-level quantities, the leading-order energy correlators, with an increasing number of detectors, may provide insights on the structures for higher-loop amplitudes.

In the multi-collinear limit

$$p_i^{\mu} = \left(p_i^+, p_i^-, p_i^{\perp}\right) = \frac{x_i}{\sqrt{1 + |z_i|^2}} (1, |z_i|^2, z_i) \to x_i(1, |z_i|^2, z_i) \qquad \zeta_{ij} \to \left|z_{ij}\right|^2 \sim 0$$

 $E^{N}C_{coll} = \mathcal{G}_{N}(z_{i}) + perms(1, 2 \cdots, N)$

 z_{ij} : small angular separations x_i : energy fractions carried by collinear particles

$$\mathcal{G}_{N}^{LO}(z_{i}) := \int_{0}^{1} d x_{1} \dots d x_{N} \delta(1 - x_{1} - \dots - x_{N}) (x_{1} \dots x_{N})^{2} \left| Split_{1 \to N}^{(0)} \right|^{2}$$

Splitting function contains poles either linear or bi-linear in the x_i –parameters

The N-point correlators define a class of manifestly *finite integrals* in (N - 1)-dimensional projective space $[x_1 : \cdots : x_N] \in P_{N-1}(\mathbb{R}_+)$

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Single-valued function of coordinates (z_i, \overline{z}_i) on the celestial sphere



Chicherin, Sokatchev, Moult, Yan, Zhu

Onshell methods applied to physical cross sections

-Integrand:

The squared (N+1)-point super form factor for ½ BPS operator, with manifest dual conformal symmetry.

-Integration

- Integration-by-part algorithm operating directly on the (Feynman-) parameter space . Profit from simplicity that exist for *finite* integrals.

-Intersection theory method

-Function

- Symbols, landau singularity analysis
- Physical constraints and asymptotic limits \rightarrow Boostrap

Form factor $|F_{NMHV}(O'_{20})|^2$

The tree-level $1 \rightarrow N$ splitting function can be obtained from the squared (N + 1)-point form factor where $p_1 \cdots p_N$ are collinear and p_{N+1} is anti-collinear.

 $|F_{NMHV}(\mathcal{L})|^2$ given by product of chiral and anti-chiral diagrams describing the MHV rules.



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In the collinear limit, $|F_{N+1}|^2$ can be expressed in terms of coordinates on a section in the periodic dual coordinate space including *one period* +1 *point*

 $[y_{-1}, \dots, y_N]$



Compact form of the splitting function manifestly dual conformal invariant

$$(a,b,c,d)\equiv rac{y_{ab}^2y_{cd}^2}{y_{ac}^2y_{bd}^2}$$

For N=3,

$$\lim_{1||2||3} \frac{|F_4^{\rm NMHV}|^2}{|F_4^{\rm MHV}|^2} = (-1, 1, 2, 4) + (-1, 3, 2, 0) + (3, 1, 0, 4)$$

In the *N* –particle collinear limit,

 $y_{iN}^2 \rightarrow x_{i+1} + \dots + x_{N-1}$ $y_{-1i}^2 \rightarrow x_1 + \dots + x_i$

In the quadruple collinear limit



 $p_i = y_i - y_{i-1}, p_{i+5} = p_i, s_{i+1,k} = y_{ik}^2$

-1 + (-1, 1, 2, 5) + (-1, 2, 3, 5) + (-1, 4, 3, 0) + (4, 1, 0, 5) + (-1, 3, 2, 0) + (4, 2, 1, 5)

$$\lim_{1 \parallel 2 \parallel 3 \parallel 4} \frac{|F_{5}|_{NMHV}^{2}}{|F_{5}|_{MHV}^{2}} = + (0,4,3,1) + (0,4,3,1)(-1,1,3,5) + (-1,4,3,1)(3,1,0,5) + (-1,4,2,0)(4,2,0,5) + (-1,4,2,0)(4,2,1,5) + (-1,4,3,0)(-1,1,2,4) + (-1,1,2,4)(4,2,0,5) + (-1,3,2,0)(4,2,0,5) + (-1,4,2,0)(4,2,1,5) + (-1,4,3,0)(-1,1,2,4) + (4,1,0,5)(0,2,3,5) + (-1,4,3,1)(-1,4,2,0) + (3,1,0,5)(4,2,0,5) + (-1,4,3,1)(-1,4,2,0) + (3,1,0,5)(-1,1,3,5) + (-1,4,3,1)(-1,1,2,5) + (3,1,0,5)(-1,2,3,5) + (-1,1,2,4)(-1,1,3,5) + (0,2,3,5)(-1,1,3,5)$$

Integration-by-parts for finite integrals

We developed techniques suitable for the computation of the $E^N C$ for arbitrary N; based on methods for finite integrals [Caron Huot, Henn, 1404.2922][Henn, Ma, Yan,Zhang,2211.13967]

Advantages:

Bypass solving large linear systems of IBPs ;

DEs exhibit a "grading" structure, visualizes the iterative structure of loop integrals. may apply in more general setup.

Energy integration over splitting function

$$\mathbf{E}^{\mathbf{N}}\mathbf{C} \stackrel{\text{coll.}}{=} \frac{1}{|z_{12}\cdots z_{N-1N}|^2} \int \frac{d^N x}{\mathrm{GL}(1)} (x_1 + \dots + x_N)^{-N} \mathcal{G}_N$$

+ perm (z_1, \cdots, z_N) $G_N \coloneqq \frac{|F|^2}{|F_{MHV}|^2}$

$$N = 3: \qquad (3, 1, 0, 4) = \frac{s_{23}x_{123}}{s_{123}x_{23}} \qquad (-1, 3, 2, 0) = \frac{s_{12}x_{123}}{s_{123}x_{12}} \qquad (-1, 1, 2, 4) = \frac{x_1x_{123}}{x_{12}x_{23}}$$

 G_N contains only multi-particle poles, no two-particle pole

$$s_{I\dots J} := \sum_{(i,j)\in[I,J]} x_i x_j |z_{ij}|^2 \qquad \qquad x_{I,\dots,J} := x_I + \dots + x_J$$

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$$\mathbf{E}^{\mathbf{N}}\mathbf{C} \stackrel{\text{coll.}}{=} \frac{1}{|z_{12}\cdots z_{N-1N}|^2} \int \frac{d^N x}{\mathrm{GL}(1)} (x_1 + \dots + x_N)^{-N} \mathcal{G}_N$$

+ perm (z_1, \dots, z_N) $G_N \coloneqq \frac{|F|^2}{|F_{MHV}|^2}$

N = 4:

$$(-1,4,3,0) = \frac{s_{123} x_{1234}}{s_{1234} x_{123}} \qquad (-1,4,2,0)(0,2,3,5) = \frac{s_{12}^2 x_{1234} x_4}{s_{1234} s_{123} x_{12} x_{34}}$$
$$(-1,4,3,0)(-1,1,2,4) = \frac{s_{123} s_{34} x_{1234} x_1}{s_{1234} s_{234} x_{12} x_{123}} \qquad (0,4,3,1)(-1,1,3,5) = \frac{s_{123} s_{234} x_{12}}{s_{123} s_{234} x_{12} x_{234}}$$

$$s_{I\dots J} := \sum_{(i,j)\in[I,J]} x_i x_j |z_{ij}|^2 \qquad \qquad x_{I,\dots,J} \coloneqq x_I + \dots + x_J$$

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$$+ \operatorname{perm}(z_1, \dots, z_N)$$

Multi kinematic scales and high degree poles in the integrand poses great challenge to partial fractioning and multi-fold integration.

Goal:

-lower the degree of denominators in target integrals.

transform them to simpler, manageable integrals with simple or at most double pole

Integration-by-part method can be designed to achieve these goals.

N-point Integral Family

$$N = 3: \qquad \qquad B_{a_1, \cdots, a_6} \equiv \int \frac{d^3x}{\mathrm{GL}(1)} \, \frac{s_{12}^{-a_5} \, s_{23}^{-a_6}}{s_{123}^{a_1} \, x_{12}^{a_2} \, x_{23}^{a_3} \, x_{123}^{a_4}}$$

$$N = 4: \qquad \qquad A_{a_1, \cdots, a_{10}} \equiv \int \frac{d^4x}{\mathrm{GL}(1)} \frac{1}{\prod_i D_i^{a_i}} \\ D_1 = s_{1234}, \quad D_2 = s_{123}, \quad D_3 = s_{234}, \\ D_4 = x_{1234}, \quad D_5 = x_{234}, \quad D_6 = x_{123}, \quad D_7 = x_{34}, \\ D_8 = s_{12}, \quad D_9 = s_{23}, \quad D_{10} = s_{34}. \end{cases}$$

 D_{1-7} are multiparticle poles corresponding to physical singularities

N-point Integral Family

1. Homogeneity: integrand has the overall scaling dimension -N

as $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\} \rightarrow \kappa\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}$

2. Finiteness: free from IR divergences as any subset of energy variables go to zero.

Given *condition 1, condition 2* is equivalent to the following UV power-counting behaviour:

$$\prod_i D_i^{-a_i} ~\sim~ O(\kappa^{-1-|\widetilde{S}|}) \quad \text{as} \quad S \to \kappa \, S \,, \kappa \to \infty \,, \; \forall \, S \subset \{x_1, \cdots, x_N\}$$

An analog: Wilson-line web functions

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{T2}[a_1,\cdots,a_7] &= \int \frac{d^D k_1}{i\pi^{D/2}} \frac{d^D k_2}{i\pi^{D/2}} \frac{D_7^{-a_7}}{D_1^{a_1}\cdots D_6^{a_6}} \\ D_1 &= -2k_1 \cdot v_1 + \delta, \quad D_2 &= -2(k_1 + k_2) \cdot v_1 + \delta, \quad D_3 &= -2(k_1 + k_2) \cdot v_2 + \delta, \\ D_4 &= -2k_2 \cdot v_2 + \delta, \quad D_5 &= -k_1^2, \quad D_6 &= -k_2^2, \quad D_7 &= k_1 \cdot k_2. \end{aligned}$$



The $E^N C$ fulfill the same criterions for the so-called 'admissible integrals' (the absence of subdivergences) in [Henn, Ma, Yan, Zhang 2211.13967],

No regulators are needed for the "leading" divergences. Four-dimensional IBP and DE methods apply. Integrals in families $A_{\vec{a}}$ and $B_{\vec{a}}$ are defined in integer dimension

1. There are partial fractioning identities among the integrals carrying different propagator indices.

E.g. for
$$\left\{\frac{x_1x_{12}}{s_{123}^2x_{123}}, \frac{x_1^2}{s_{123}^2x_{123}}, \frac{x_{12}^2}{s_{123}^2x_{123}}, \frac{x_1}{s_{123}^2}, \frac{x_{12}}{s_{123}^2}, \frac{x_{12}}{s_{123}^2}, \frac{x_{12}}{s_{123}^2}, \frac{x_{12}}{s_{123}^2}, \frac{x_{12}}{s_{123}^2}, \frac{x_{12}}{s_{123}^2x_{123}}\right\}$$
, there is relation $|z_{12}|^2 \frac{x_1(x_{12}-x_1)}{s_{123}^2x_{123}} + |z_{13}|^2 \frac{x_1(x_{123}-x_{12})}{s_{123}^2x_{123}} - \frac{1}{s_{123}x_{123}} = 0$

2. A finite integral may appear as linear combination of divergent ones

$$\left\{\frac{x_1 x_{12}}{s_{123}^2 x_{123}}, \frac{x_1^2}{s_{123}^2 x_{123}}\right\} \text{ divergent } \frac{x_1 (x_{12} - x_1)}{s_{123}^2 x_{123}} \text{ finite}$$

Solutions:

Integrand reduction performed together with seeding and IBP reduction

Setup integrand in a way that only allow x-monomials in the numerator Search for basis of "single finite integrals "

$$A_{a_1,\dots,a_7;\ q_1,\dots,q_4} \equiv \int \frac{d^4x}{\mathrm{GL}(1)} \frac{x_1^{-q_1} x_2^{-q_2} x_3^{-q_3} x_4^{-q_4}}{D_1^{a_1} D_2^{a_2} \cdots D_7^{a_7}}$$

Here we demand $a_i \ge 0$, $q_k \le 0$ D_{1-7} are the physical, multi-particle poles

IBP identities in projective space

$$\begin{split} O_i &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \, v \,, \, i = 1, \cdots, N \\ \int \frac{d^N x}{\operatorname{GL}(1)} \, O_i \circ f = - \int \frac{d^{N-1} x}{\operatorname{GL}(1)} \, v \circ f \Big|_{x_i = 0} \\ v &= \prod_k x_k^{-q_k} \,, \quad f = \frac{1}{\prod_j D_j^{a_j}} \,. \end{split}$$

 $O_i \circ f$ must satisfy the power-counting *condition 1* and *condition 2*

$$O_i
ightarrow \kappa^{eta_S} O_i \,, \, orall S \subset \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}$$

 $\kappa_S = -\sum_{k \in S} q_k - d_i^S \qquad d_i^S \equiv 1 ext{ if } i \in S ext{ and } 0 ext{ otherwise}$

IBP identities in projective space

$$\int \frac{d^N x}{\operatorname{GL}(1)} O_i \circ f = -\int \frac{d^{N-1} x}{\operatorname{GL}(1)} v \circ f \Big|_{x_i=0}$$
$$v = \prod_k x_k^{-q_k}, \quad f = \frac{1}{\prod_j D_j^{a_j}}.$$
boundary terms are generated of

Expanded over $A_{a,...a_7;q_1...q_4}$ Each term is finite boundary terms are generated on the surface of integration domain

$$B_{a_1,a_2,a_3,a_4;\ q_1,q_2,q_3}^{[j,k,l]} \equiv \int \frac{d^3x}{\mathrm{GL}(1)} \, \frac{x_j^{-q_1} x_k^{-q_2} x_l^{-q_3}}{s_{jkl}^{a_1} x_{jk}^{a_2} x_{kl}^{a_3} x_{jkl}^{a_4}}$$

Boundary integral family: lower-point integrals defined in $[x_1, ..., \hat{x_i}, ..., x_N]$

In sector $A_{0,1,0,1,1,0,0}$ consider

$$0_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} x_2^{-q_2} x_3^{-q_3} \qquad f = \frac{1}{s_{123}^{a_2} x_{234}^{a_5} x_{1234}^{a_4}} \qquad a_2, a_5, a_4 > 0$$

Imposing power counting *condition 1, condition 2* on $O_1 \circ f$

 $2a_2 + a_4 + a_5 + q_2 + q_3 + 1 = 4$ Overall scaling =0

In sector $A_{0,1,0,1,1,0,0}$ consider

$$O_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} x_2^{-q_2} x_3^{-q_3} \qquad f = \frac{1}{s_{123}^{a_2} x_{234}^{a_5} x_{1234}^{a_4}}$$

Imposing power counting *condition 1, condition 2* on $O_1 \circ f$

$$2a_{2} + a_{4} + a_{5} + q_{2} + q_{3} + 1 = 4$$
$$a_{4} + a_{5} > 1 \qquad \qquad x_{4} \to \infty$$

$$x_4 \rightarrow \kappa x_4$$

In sector $A_{0,1,0,1,1,0,0}$ consider

$$0_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} x_2^{-q_2} x_3^{-q_3} \qquad f = \frac{1}{s_{123}^{a_2} x_{234}^{a_5} x_{1234}^{a_4}}$$

Imposing power counting *condition 1, condition 2* on $O_1 \circ f$

$$2a_{2} + a_{4} + a_{5} + q_{2} + q_{3} + 1 = 4$$

$$a_{4} + a_{5} > 1$$

$$a_{2} + a_{4} - 1 > 1$$

$$x_{1} \to \infty$$



In sector $A_{0,1,0,1,1,0,0}$ consider

$$0_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} x_2^{-q_2} x_3^{-q_3} \qquad f = \frac{1}{s_{123}^{a_2} x_{234}^{a_5} x_{1234}^{a_4}}$$

Imposing power counting *condition 1, condition 2* on $O_1 \circ f$

$$2a_{2} + a_{4} + a_{5} + q_{2} + q_{3} + 1 = 4$$

$$a_{4} + a_{5} > 1$$

$$a_{2} + a_{4} - 1 > 1$$

$$a_{2} + a_{4} + a_{5} - 1 > 2$$

$$(x_{1}, x_{4}) \to \infty$$





4-point energy integrals mapped onto 6 sub-topologies plus their images under a *reflection* symmetry which flips the detector orientation : $1 \leftrightarrow 4$, $2 \leftrightarrow 3$. The 6 topologies are further divided into three categories:

> Type-I (one 3-particle cut) : (2,4,5,6) (2,4,6,7) Type-II (4- and 3-particle cut) : (1,2,4,5) (1,2,4,7) Type-III (two 3-particle cuts): (2,3,4,5) (2,3,5,6)

5 distinct boundary integral topologies related by S4- symmetry: $B_{a_1,a_2,a_3,a_4; q_1,q_2,q_3}^{[j,k,l]} \equiv \int \frac{d^3x}{\mathrm{GL}(1)} \frac{x_j^{-q_1} x_k^{-q_2} x_l^{-q_3}}{s_{ikl}^{a_1} x_{ik}^{a_2} x_{kl}^{a_3} x_{ikl}^{a_4}}$

 $B_{1,0,1,1}^{[1,2,3]} \qquad B_{1,0,1,1}^{[1,2,4]} \qquad B_{1,0,1,1}^{[1,3,4]} \qquad B_{1,0,1,1}^{[2,3,4]} \qquad B_{1,1,0,1}^{[2,3,4]}$

A total number of 28 four-point master integrals , 14 three-point boundary integrals and and 1 constant function.

EECC master integrals (triple collinear)

$$B_{a_1,0,a_3,a_4,q_1,q_2,q_3} = \int \frac{d^3x}{GL(1)} \frac{x_1^{-q_1} x_2^{-q_2} x_3^{-q_3}}{s_{123}^{a_1} x_{23}^{a_3} x_{123}^{a_4}}$$





$$B_2: \frac{1}{s_{123}x_{123}} \qquad B_3: \frac{x_2}{s_{123}x_{123}^2} \qquad B_4: \frac{x_3}{s_{123}x_{123}^2}$$

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Boundary terms are kinematic independent integrals which integrates to rational numbers. $d \vec{g} = dA \vec{g}$





Analytic properties

$$f_1 \coloneqq \int \frac{d^4x}{GL(1)} \frac{x_2}{s_{123}s_{234}x_{1234}},$$

$$f_2 \coloneqq \int \frac{d^4x}{GL(1)} \frac{x_3}{s_{123}s_{234}x_{1234}}.$$

Cutting three propagators

 $s_{123} = s_{234} = x_{1234} = 0$ defines a cubic curve

$$\begin{aligned} x_{2}^{3}|z_{12}|^{2}|z_{24}|^{2} + x_{3}^{3}|z_{13}|^{2}|z_{34}|^{2} \\ &+ x_{2}^{2}x_{3}((|z_{13}|^{2} - |z_{23}|^{2})|z_{24}|^{2} + |z_{12}|^{2}(-|z_{23}|^{2} + |z_{24}|^{2} \\ &+ |z_{34}|^{2})) + x_{3}^{2}x_{2}((|z_{13}|^{2} - |z_{23}|^{2})|z_{24}|^{2} \\ &+ |z_{12}|^{2}(-|z_{23}|^{2} + |z_{24}|^{2} + |z_{34}|^{2}) \\ &= 0 \coloneqq -|z_{13}|^{2}|z_{34}|^{2}(a x_{2} - x_{3})(b x_{2} - x_{3})(c x_{2} - x_{3}) \end{aligned}$$



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$$f_{1} \coloneqq \int \frac{d^{4}x}{GL(1)} \frac{x_{2}}{s_{123}s_{234}x_{1234}}, \qquad f_{1} = \frac{1}{(c-a)(a-b)} \int d\ln x_{3} \wedge \ln \frac{ax_{2}-x_{3}}{bx_{2}-x_{3}} \wedge d\ln \frac{D_{2}}{D_{4}} \wedge d\ln \frac{D_{3}}{D_{4}} - \frac{1}{(b-c)(c-a)} \int d\ln x_{3} \wedge \ln \frac{bx_{2}-x_{3}}{cx_{2}-x_{3}} \wedge d\ln \frac{D_{2}}{D_{4}} \wedge d\ln \frac{D_{3}}{D_{4}}$$

dlog basis:

 $g_1 \coloneqq g_a - g_b$. $g_2 \coloneqq g_b - g_c$.

$$|z_{13}|^2 |z_{34}|^2 f_1 \coloneqq \frac{g_a}{(c-a)(a-b)} + \frac{g_b}{(a-b)(b-c)} + \frac{g_c}{(b-c)(c-a)},$$
$$|z_{12}|^2 |z_{24}|^2 f_2 \coloneqq -\frac{g_a}{\left(\frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a}\right)\left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}\right)} - \frac{g_b}{\left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}\right)\left(\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c}\right)} - \frac{g_c}{\left(\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c}\right)\left(\frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a}\right)}.$$

 f_1, f_2 are totally symmetric when shuffling the three cubic roots g_a, g_b, g_c : pure functions related by cyclic permutation

Under proper parametrization, e.g. using $(a, b, |z|^2, |w|^2)$, $g_a g_b g_c$ can evaluated in *HyperInt*.

 g_1, g_2 contain 10 more letters involving the cubic roots, which only appear in the last entry

Despite the cubic-root dependence, the master integrals are single-valued function whose branch cuts cancel on the Euclidean sheet. They all satisfy a first-entry condition: the first entry of the symbol must be $|z_{ij}|^2$.



Symbol alphabets



Three-point correlator :

$$\mathcal{A}_3 := \{ z, \bar{z}, 1 - z, 1 - \bar{z}, 1 - |z|^2, 1 - |1 - z|^2, |z|^2 - |1 - z|^2 \}$$

Four-point correlator :

define
$$\overline{\mathcal{A}_3} \coloneqq \mathcal{A}_3 \cup \{z - \overline{z}\}$$



$$\mathcal{A}_{4} = \overline{\mathcal{A}_{3}}(1,2,3) \cup \overline{\mathcal{A}_{3}}(2,3,4) \cup \overline{\mathcal{A}_{3}}(1,2,4) \cup \overline{\mathcal{A}_{3}}(1,3,4) \cup \mathcal{A}_{1234} \cup \mathcal{A}_{cubic}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{1234}:$$

$$= \{\overline{w}z - w, w\overline{z} - \overline{w}, 1 - w - \overline{w} + \overline{w}z, 1 - w - \overline{w} + w\overline{z}, w$$

$$- |z|^{2}, \overline{w} - |z|^{2}, \overline{w}z - \overline{z}w, |z|^{2} - |w|^{2}\} \cup (w \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{z}, \overline{w} \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\overline{z}})$$

Symbol alphabets

 $\mathcal{S}(E^4C)$



 $\left|\frac{z_{12}z_{34}}{z_{13}z_{24}}\right|^2 = \frac{|z|^2}{|w|^2}$

1st entry: { $|z|^2, |1-z|^2, |w|^2, |1-w|^2, |z-w|^2$ }

 $2nd \ entry:$ $\mathcal{A}_{3}(1,2,3) \cup \ \mathcal{A}_{3}(2,3,4) \cup \mathcal{A}_{3}(1,2,4) \cup \mathcal{A}_{3}(1,3,4) \cup \{|z|^{2} - |w|^{2}\}$

 $\mathcal{A}_{1234} \setminus \{|z|^2 - |w|^2\}, \mathcal{A}_{cubic}$ only appear in last entry



EEEEC in N=4 SYM in the quadruple collinear limit :

$$EEEEC_{N=4 SYM} \Big|_{coll.} = \frac{1}{|z_{12}|^2 |z_{23}|^2 |z_{34}|^2} [\mathcal{G}(z, w)] + \text{perms}(1, 2, 3, 4)$$

$$\mathcal{G}(z,w) = [R_i A_i + r_j B_j + r_0]$$

 $\mathcal{G}(z, w)$: the sum of integrals in four sub topologies

$$\begin{array}{l} A_{1,1,0,1,1,0,1} & A_{0,1,1,1,1,1,0} \\ A_{0,1,0,1,1,1,1} & A_{0,0,1,1,1,1,1} \end{array}$$

 R_i , r_i : Algebraic functions

 A_i : 28 pure master integrals 4-pt integral family

21 weight-3 + 7 weight-2

 B_j : 14 pure master integrals in the boundary integral family

9 weight-2 + 5 weight-1

The expressions for R_i , r_j are complicated, contain high degree poles (up to six degree), most are spurious.

Factorization Limits

(1,2,3) triple collinear : $(w, \overline{w}) \rightarrow 1$

$$EEEEC_{N=4 SYM} \Big|_{coll.} \propto \frac{1}{|z_{4i}|^2} EEEC_{N=4SYM} \Big|_{coll.}$$



(1,2) (3,4) double collinear : $\left(z, \overline{z}, \frac{1}{w}, \frac{1}{\overline{w}}\right) \rightarrow 0$

$$EEEEC_{N=4 SYM} \Big|_{coll.} \propto \frac{1}{|z_{23}|^2} EEC_{N=4SYM} \Big|_{coll} \times EEC_{N=4SYM} \Big|_{coll}$$

Bootstrapping the Energy Correlators

Are there ways to bypass heavy IBPs and determine the E^NC via bootstrap?

Challenges: mixed weight, complication in the rational coefficients

Opportunities: Imposing physical constraints, lower-weight terms could be fixed from the higher-weight functions

Probing the structure of the symbol

-Differential equations

intersection theory method as a short cut for building the system of DEs

-Discontinuity

based on the method of projective geometry developed in 1712.09991 (also refering to 2206.06507)

Ongoing collaborations with Hofie Hannesdottir, Andrzej Pokraka, Xiaoyuan Zhang, Ellis Ye Yuan, Jianyu Gong

E^NC as simplex contour integral



$$I_N = \int_{\Delta} \frac{T[X^m] \langle X d^{N-1} X \rangle}{\prod_I (X Q_I X)^{a_I} \prod_J (H_J X)^{b_J}}$$

(n-1)-Simplex is uniquely determined by its 0-faces. In R^{n-1} ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i V_i, \qquad \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i = 1 \text{ and } (\forall i) \ x_i \ge 0$$

We believe energy correlators can be analytically continued, so they are functions of complex variables.

In CP^{n-1} ,

domain of x_i are promoted to complex field. $\overline{V_i V_j}$ can be deformed within the CP^1 subspace it belongs to.

E^N**C** from projective geometry

The ENC integrals are projective in CP^{n-1}

$$h(\boldsymbol{\omega})) \to d^{3}\boldsymbol{\omega}/\mathrm{GL}(1)/(\omega_{1} + \omega_{2} + \omega_{3})^{\mathbb{N}}$$

$$F_{1} = \int d^{3}\boldsymbol{\omega} \ \frac{\omega_{2}\omega_{3} \ \delta(1 - h(\boldsymbol{\omega}))}{\omega_{1}\omega_{2} + |z|^{2}\omega_{2}\omega_{3} + |1 - z|^{2}\omega_{1}\omega_{3}} = 3 \int_{CP^{3}} \frac{\langle \boldsymbol{\omega} \ d^{3}\boldsymbol{\omega} \rangle \omega_{2}\omega_{3}}{(\boldsymbol{\omega}Q\boldsymbol{\omega})^{4}}$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & |z - 1|^{2} \ 1 \\ 1 & 0 & |z|^{2} \ 1 \\ |z - 1|^{2} \ |z|^{2} & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{P_{4}} \xrightarrow{P_{3}} \xrightarrow{P_{3}} \underbrace{\sum_{z_{2} = z} z_{3} = 1}_{z_{2}}$$

Spherical contour approach:

Taking deformed integration contour to compute discontinuity associated to the branch cut, (i.e. symbol entry), which can be read off from matrix Q.

Warm up: 1-simplex



$$I = \int_{\Delta} \frac{\sqrt{\det Q} \langle X \, d \, X \rangle}{X \, Q \, X} = \int_{[1:0]}^{[0:1]} \frac{(r_1 - r_2)(x_1 dx_2 - x_2 dx_1)}{(x_1 - r_1 x_2)(x_1 - r_2 x_2)}$$

Type equation here.
$$S[I] = \bigotimes \frac{\langle P_1 V_1 \rangle \langle P_2 V_1 \rangle}{\langle P_1 V_2 \rangle \langle P_1 V_2 \rangle} = \bigotimes r(Q^{-1}) \qquad P_{1,2} = [r_{1,2}:1]$$

$$r(M) \equiv \frac{M_{12} + \sqrt{M_{12}^2 - M_{11} M_{22}}}{M_{12} - \sqrt{M_{12}^2 - M_{11} M_{22}}} = \frac{r_1}{r_2}$$

(The first entry of) the symbol emerge where the integrand singularities hits the contour boundary.

$$\left\langle P_i V_j \right\rangle = 0$$

Residue contour

Compute discontinuity:





Symbol construction



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E^N**C** from intersection theory

The E^NC (in D=4-2e) defines a differential form which belong to a twisted cohomology

$$\begin{split} I_{\mu,\nu} &:= \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\omega}{\mathrm{GL}(1)} \frac{u}{\mathbf{T}^{\mu} \mathbf{S}^{\nu}} := \int u \ \varphi_{\mu,\nu} & \mu \in \mathbb{Z}^{4}, \ \nu \in \mathbb{Z}^{2}, \ u = \mathbf{T}^{(-\varepsilon,-\varepsilon,-\varepsilon,3\varepsilon)} \\ \varphi_{\mu,\nu} \in H^{3}\left(X;\nabla_{\omega}\right), & \nabla_{\omega} = \mathrm{d} + \omega \wedge, \quad \omega = \mathrm{d} \log u & X = \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^{3} \setminus \mathcal{TS} \\ S_{\nu} & & I_{i=1,2,3} = \omega_{i} \\ T_{i} = \omega_{1} + \omega_{2} + \omega_{3} \\ S_{1} = \omega_{1} \omega_{2} |z_{12}|^{2} + \omega_{2} \omega_{3} |z_{23}|^{2} + \omega_{3} \omega_{1} |z_{31}|^{2} \\ S_{2} = \omega_{1} + \omega_{2} \\ \end{split}$$
(Potential) IR divergences are regulated at the twisted boundary
$$All \text{ differential forms are regular at the relative boundary} & T_{i}: twisted \\ S_{i}: unwisted \end{cases}$$

Define a dual relative twisted cohomology: $1 = \sum_{a,b} |\varphi_a\rangle \ C_{ab}^{-1} \langle \check{\varphi}_b | \qquad C_{ab} = \langle \check{\varphi}_a | \varphi_b \rangle$

$$H^{3}(X^{\vee}, \mathcal{S}; \nabla_{-\omega}) = H^{3}(X^{\vee}; \nabla_{-\omega}) \bigoplus_{i=1,2} H^{2}(X^{\vee} \cap \mathcal{S}_{i}; \nabla_{-\omega}) \bigoplus H^{1}(X^{\vee} \cap \mathcal{S}_{12}; \nabla_{-\omega})$$

$$X^{\vee} = \mathbb{CP}^3 \setminus \mathcal{T}, \text{ and } \mathcal{S}_J = \bigcap_{i \in J} \mathcal{S}_i$$

It is more convenient to build the DEs for the dual forms. $\check{\varphi} = \sum_J \delta_J \left(\check{\phi}_J\right)$

Boundary stratification of the relative twisted cohomology



A basis of dual forms :

Number of dual basis on each boundary matches the number of master integrals sector by sector

$$\begin{split} \varphi_{1}^{\vee} &= \delta_{\{\}} \left(\frac{\varepsilon^{2}}{\omega_{1}\omega_{2}\omega_{3}} \frac{d\omega_{1} \wedge d\omega_{2} \wedge d\omega_{3}}{GL(1)} \right) & c_{1} : 1 \\ \varphi_{2}^{\vee} &= \delta_{1} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\omega_{1}\omega_{2}} \frac{d\omega_{1}d\omega_{2}}{GL(1)} \right) & B_{2} : \frac{1}{s_{123}x_{123}} & B_{3} : \frac{x_{2}}{s_{123}x_{123}^{2}} \\ \varphi_{3}^{\vee} &= \delta_{1} \left(-\frac{\varepsilon}{\omega_{2}(\omega_{1}|z_{13}|^{2} + \omega_{2}|z_{23}|^{2})} \frac{d\omega_{1}d\omega_{2}}{GL(1)} \right) & B_{2} : \frac{1}{s_{123}x_{123}} & B_{3} : \frac{x_{2}}{s_{123}x_{123}^{2}} \\ \varphi_{4}^{\vee} &= \delta_{1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{(|z_{12}|^{2})^{2} + (|z_{13}|^{2})^{2} + (|z_{23}|^{2})^{2} - 2|z_{12}|^{2}|z_{13}|^{2} - 2|z_{12}|^{2}|z_{23}|^{2} - 2|z_{13}|^{2}|z_{23}|^{2}}{GL(1)} \right) & B_{4} : \frac{x_{3}}{s_{123}x_{123}^{2}} \\ \varphi_{5}^{\vee} &= \delta_{12} \left(\frac{1}{\omega_{1}} \frac{d\omega_{1}}{GL(1)} \right) & B_{1} : \frac{x_{2}}{s_{123}x_{23}x_{123}} \\ \end{array}$$

The intersection method applies to higher-loop order, where phase-space integrals are IR divergent.

Summary

Further development of phase-space integration algorithms

-NLO:

Promoting to d=4-2e dimension, incorporating ideas from intersection theory methods.

 $-E^N C$ at generic angle, away from collinear limit.

Algorithm for bootstrapping the $E^N C$

- What do we learn about the function space/rational structure?

-How to impose physical constraints, e.g. from various OPE limits of light-ray operators

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !

