

# Grasmannians and form factors

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# Preliminaries

## Introduction

- Formfactors  $\Leftrightarrow \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}(x) | 1, \dots, n \rangle$
- On-shell diagram  $\Leftrightarrow$  integral over Grassmannian manifold
- Generalization for formfactors
- Gluing operation

# Preliminaries

## Basics of spinor helicity formalism

$$(p_i^\mu)^{a\dot{a}} = \begin{pmatrix} p_i^0 + p_i^3 & p_i^1 - ip_i^2 \\ p_i^1 + ip_i^2 & p_i^0 - p_i^3 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow p_i^{\dot{a}a} = \lambda_i^a \tilde{\lambda}_i^{\dot{a}}$$

$$\langle ij \rangle := \epsilon_{ab} \lambda_i^a \lambda_j^b, [ij] := \epsilon_{\dot{a}\dot{b}} \tilde{\lambda}_i^{\dot{a}} \tilde{\lambda}_j^{\dot{b}}$$

$$\Omega = g^+ + \tilde{\eta}_A \lambda^A - \frac{1}{2!} \tilde{\eta}_A \tilde{\eta}_B S^{AB} - \frac{1}{3!} \tilde{\eta}_A \tilde{\eta}_B \tilde{\eta}_C \lambda^{ABC} + \tilde{\eta}_1 \tilde{\eta}_2 \tilde{\eta}_3 \tilde{\eta}_4 g^-$$

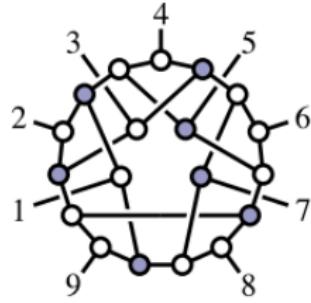
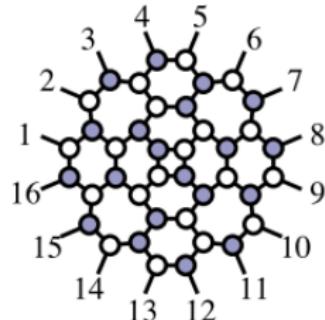
$$\mathcal{A}_n^{\text{MHV}} = \frac{\delta^4(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i) \delta^8(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \tilde{\eta}_i)}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \dots \langle n1 \rangle}$$

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## Novel methods

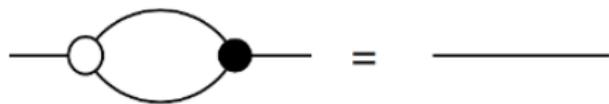
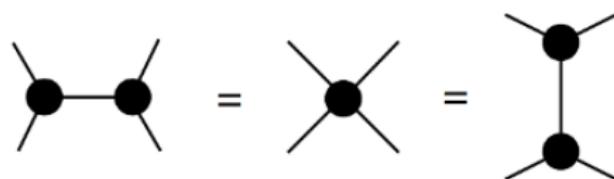
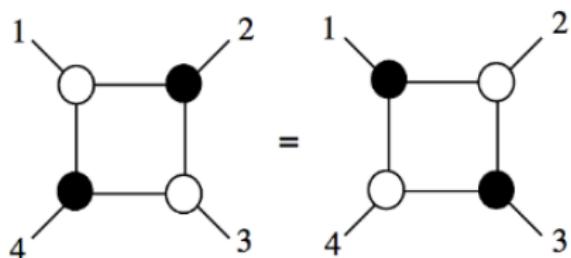


$$\sum_I \int d^4\tilde{\eta}_I \int \frac{d^2\lambda_I d^2\tilde{\lambda}_I}{vol[GL(1)]}$$



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## Grassmannian

- set of all  $k$ -planes in  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $\Leftrightarrow Gr(k, n)$
- $GL(k)$ -transformation  $\Leftrightarrow$  dimension  $k(n - k)$
- $Gr(k, n)$  is parametrized by  $k \times n$  matrix  $C$
- orthogonal complement  $\Leftrightarrow k \times (n - k)$  matrix  $\tilde{C}$ :  $C\tilde{C}^T = 0$

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## Stress-Tensor supermultiplet operator

Chiral part of the stress-tensor supermultiplet:

$$T(x, \theta^+) = \text{tr}(\phi^{++}\phi^{++}) + \dots + \frac{1}{3}(\phi^{++})^4 \mathcal{L}$$

The super formfactor is

$$\mathcal{F}_{k,n} = \int d^4x d^4\theta^+ e^{-iqx - i\theta_\alpha^{+\alpha} \gamma_a^- \alpha} \langle 1, \dots, n | T(x, \theta^+) | 0 \rangle$$

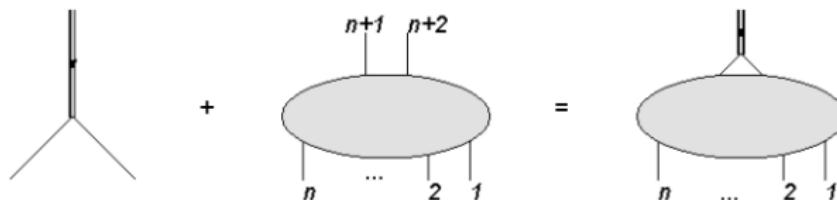
Minimal MHV degree  $\Leftrightarrow k = 2$

$$\mathcal{F}_{2,n}(1, \dots, n, 1, \gamma^-) = \frac{\delta^{(4)}(P)\hat{\delta}^{(4)}(Q^+)\hat{\delta}^{(4)}(Q^-)}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle \dots \langle n-1n \rangle \langle n1 \rangle}$$

$$P = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \tilde{\lambda}_i - q, \quad Q^+ = \lambda_i \tilde{\eta}_i^+, \quad Q^- = \lambda_i \tilde{\eta}_i^- - \gamma^-$$

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## Gluing operation



$$\mathcal{F}_{k,n} = \int \prod_{i=n+1}^{n+2} \frac{d^2\lambda_i d^2\tilde{\lambda}_i}{Vol[GL(1)^2]} d^4\tilde{\eta}_i \mathcal{F}_{2,2}(n+1, n+2) \Big|_{\lambda_{n+1,n+2} \rightarrow -\lambda_{n+1,n+2}} \mathcal{A}_{k,n+2}$$

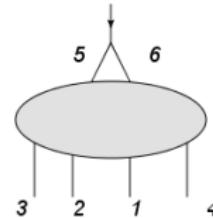
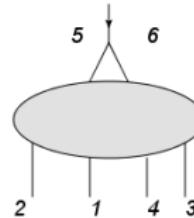
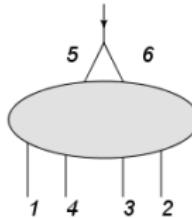
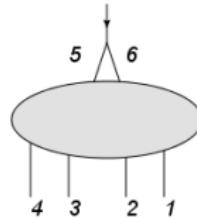
$$\mathcal{F}_{k,n} = \langle \xi_A \xi_B \rangle^2 \int \frac{d^{k \times (n+2)} C}{Vol[GL(k)]} \Omega_{k,n} \hat{\delta}^{2 \times k} (C \cdot \underline{\lambda}) \hat{\delta}^{4 \times k} (C \cdot \underline{\eta}) \hat{\delta}^{2 \times (n+2-k)} (C^\perp \cdot \underline{\lambda})$$

# Form factors of local operators

NMHV<sub>4</sub> via Grassmannian integral

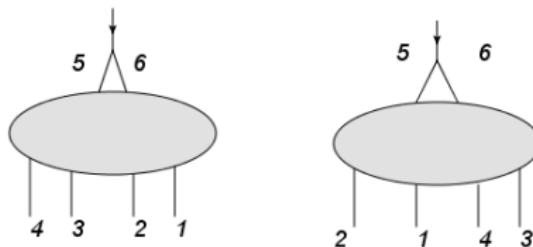
$$\mathcal{F}_{3,4} = \langle \xi_A \xi_B \rangle^2 \int \frac{d^{3 \times 6} C}{Vol[GL(3)]} \Omega_{3,4} \hat{\delta}^{2 \times 3}(C \cdot \underline{\lambda}) \hat{\delta}^{4 \times 3}(C \cdot \underline{\eta}) \hat{\delta}^{2 \times 3}(C^\perp \cdot \underline{\lambda}) +$$

+other gluing positions



# Form factors of local operators

NMHV<sub>4</sub> via Grassmannian integral



$$\mathcal{F}_{3,4} = \text{Res}_{41}(123) + \text{Res}_{41}(561) + \text{Res}_{23}(123) + \text{Res}_{23}(561)$$

$$\text{Res}_{41}(123) = \frac{\langle \xi_A \xi_B \rangle^2 \langle 13 \rangle^4 [4\bar{6}]^4 \hat{\delta}^{(12)} (C_{(123)} \cdot \underline{\underline{\eta}})}{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle [\underline{56}]^2 \langle 3|1+2|4] \langle 1|2+3|4] P_{123}^2}$$

$$\text{Res}_{41}(561) = \frac{\langle \xi_A \xi_B \rangle^2 \langle 1\bar{5} \rangle^4 [24]^4 \hat{\delta}^{(12)} (C_{(561)} \cdot \underline{\underline{\eta}})}{[23][34] \langle \underline{56} \rangle^2 \langle 1|\underline{5}+\underline{6}|2] \langle 1|\underline{5}+\underline{6}|4] P_{234}^2}$$

# Form factors of local operators

NMHV<sub>4</sub> via Grassmannian integral

Component proportional to  $(\tilde{\eta}_1)^2(\tilde{\eta}_2)^2(\tilde{\eta}_3)^4$  from Grassmannian integral:

$$F(\phi_{12}, \phi_{12}, g^-, g^+) = c_{16}^2 c_{52}^2 \text{Res}_{41}(561) + c_{36}^2 c_{54}^2 \text{Res}_{23}(123)$$

Component proportional to  $(\tilde{\eta}_1)^2(\tilde{\eta}_2)^2(\tilde{\eta}_3)^4$  from BCFW recursion:

$$F(\phi_{12}, \phi_{12}, g^-, g^+) = \frac{1}{\langle 1|q|2]} \left[ \frac{[24]^2 \langle 1|q|4]}{[23][34]P_{234}^2} + \frac{\langle 13\rangle^2 \langle 3|q|2]}{\langle 34\rangle \langle 41\rangle P_{134}^2} \right]$$

# Wilson line operator form factors

## Wilson line operator

- Non-local operator
- From factors of Wilson line operator  $\Leftrightarrow$  Reggeon amplitudes

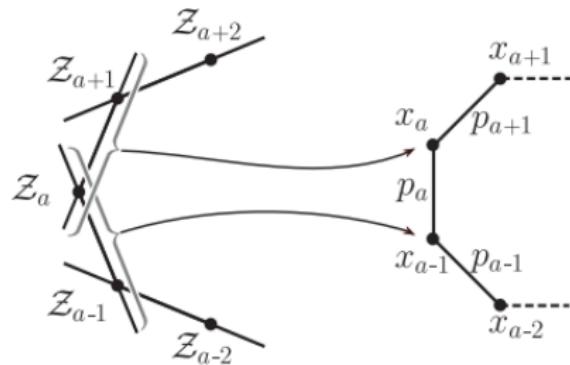
$$\mathcal{W}_p^c(k) = \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \text{Tr} \left\{ \frac{1}{\pi g} t^c \mathcal{P} \exp \left[ \frac{ig}{\sqrt{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} ds p \cdot A_b(x + sp) t^b \right] \right\}$$

$$A_{m+n}^*(\Omega_1, \dots, \Omega_m, g_{m+1}^*, \dots, g_{m+n}^*) = \langle \Omega_1 \dots \Omega_m | \prod_{i=1}^n \mathcal{W}_{p_{m+i}}^{c_{m+i}}(k_{m+i}) | 0 \rangle$$

# Wilson line operator form factors

## Momentum twistors

- Needed to simplify momentum conservation and 0-mass condition
- Null-rays in space-time  $\Leftrightarrow$  points in twistor space



Incidence relations:

$$\mu_{\dot{\alpha}} = x_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \lambda^{\alpha}, \quad x_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} = (p - q)_{\mu} \sigma^{\mu}_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \Rightarrow Z = (\lambda^{\alpha}, \mu_{\dot{\alpha}})$$

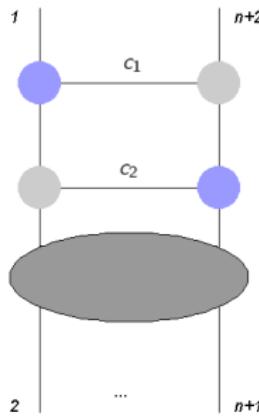
# Wilson line operator form factors

Gluing operation in momentum twistor space

Claim:

Gluing operation in momentum twistor space is represented by attaching two consecutive BCFW bridges times some regulator:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{i-1,i}^{m.\text{tw.}}[\dots] = N(\{\lambda\}) \text{Br}(\hat{i}, i+1) \circ \text{Br}(\hat{i+1}, i) [M(\{\lambda\}) \cdot \dots]$$



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Gluing operation in momentum twistor space

Action of BCFW bridge:

$$\text{Br}(\hat{i}, i+1)[Y(1, \dots, n)] = \int \frac{dc}{c} Y(1, \dots, \hat{i}, \dots, n),$$
$$\hat{\mathcal{Z}}_i = \mathcal{Z}_i + c \mathcal{Z}_{i+1}$$

- $\mathcal{L}_{k,n+2}$  - Grassmannian integral representation for ratio  $\frac{A_{k,n+2}}{A_{2,n+2}}$
- $\omega_{k,n+2}$  - Grassmannian integral representation for ratio  $\frac{A_{k,n+1}^*}{A_{2,n+1}^*}$  of amplitudes with one leg off-shell

Fixing M,N:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{n+1,n+2}^{m.tw.}[\mathcal{L}_{k,n+2}] = \omega_{k,n+2} \Rightarrow M = N^{-1} = S(i+1, i, i-1) = \frac{\kappa_{i-1}^* \langle i-1 | i+1 \rangle}{\langle ii+1 \rangle \langle i-1 i \rangle}$$

# Wilson line operator form factors

## Examples

$$\mathcal{P}_{n+2}^{4(k-2)}(\mathcal{Z}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Z}_{n+2}) = \frac{\mathcal{A}_{n+2}^k}{\mathcal{A}_{n+2}^{k=2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{i-1,i}^{m.tw.}[\mathcal{P}_{n+2}^{4(k-2)}] = S^{-1}(i+1, i, i-1) \kappa_{i-1}^* \times \\ & \times \int \frac{dc_1}{c_1} \frac{dc_2}{c_2} \frac{\langle i-1 | i+1 \rangle + c_1 \langle i-1 | i \rangle + c_1 c_2 \langle i-1 | i+1 \rangle}{\langle ii+1 \rangle (\langle i-1 | i \rangle + c_2 \langle i-1 | i+1 \rangle)} \times \\ & \times \mathcal{P}_{n+2}^{4(k-2)}(\dots, \mathcal{Z}_i + c_2 \mathcal{Z}_{i+1}, \mathcal{Z}_{i+1} + c_1 \mathcal{Z}_i + c_1 c_2 \mathcal{Z}_{i+1}, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

## Corollary

In momentum twistor space gluing operation amounts to shifting  $i$ -th twistor:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{i-1,i}^{m.tw.}[\mathcal{P}_{n+2}^{4(k-2)}] = \mathcal{P}_{n+2}^{4(k-2)}(\dots, \mathcal{Z}_i - \frac{\langle i-1 | i \rangle}{\langle i-1 | i+1 \rangle} \mathcal{Z}_{i+1}, \mathcal{Z}_{i+1}, \dots)$$

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## Examples

$$\mathcal{P}_6^4 = [12345] + [13456] + [12356]$$

$$[ijklm] = \frac{\hat{\delta}^{(4)}(\langle i j k l \rangle \eta_m + \text{cyclic})}{\langle i j k l \rangle \langle j k l m \rangle \langle k l m i \rangle \langle l m i j \rangle \langle m i j k \rangle}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_{5,6}^{m.tw.}[\mathcal{P}_6^4] = [12345] + \frac{[13456]}{1 + \frac{\langle p_5 \xi_5 \rangle}{\langle p_5 1 \rangle} \cdot \frac{\langle 1345 \rangle}{\langle 3456 \rangle}} + \frac{[12356]}{1 + \frac{\langle p_5 \xi_5 \rangle}{\langle p_5 1 \rangle} \cdot \frac{\langle 1235 \rangle}{\langle 2356 \rangle}}$$

# Summary

- A method for deriving Grassmannian integral representation is obtained
- The new method is valid for different representations of external data
- Results derived by means of new and conventional methods agree

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