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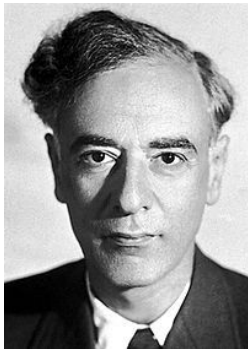
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Lev Landau



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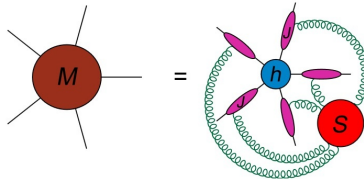
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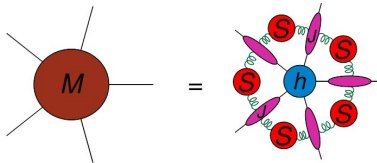
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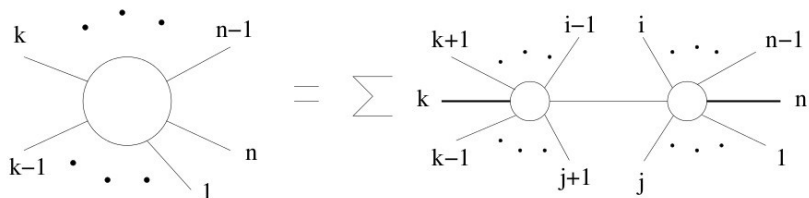
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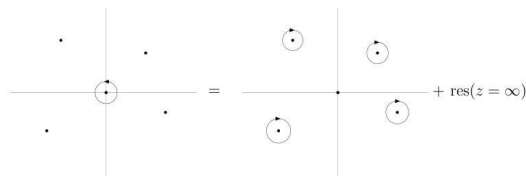
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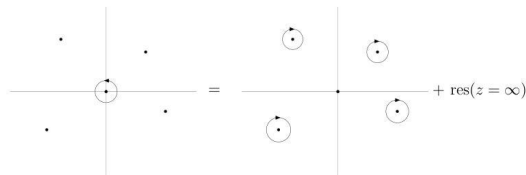
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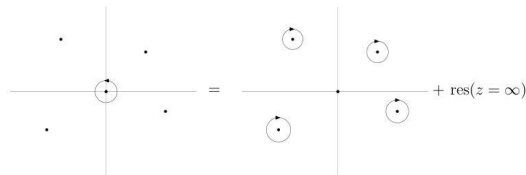
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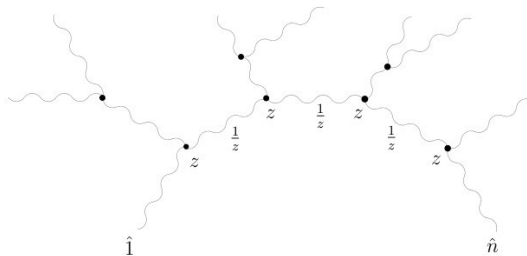
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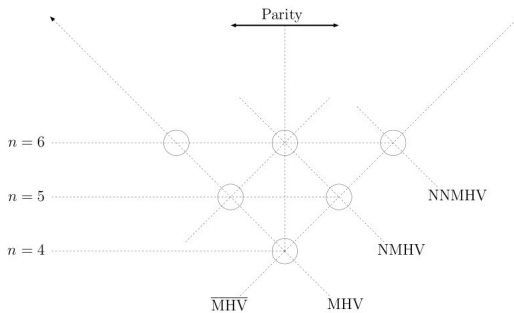
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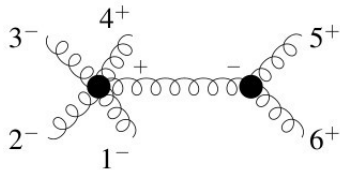
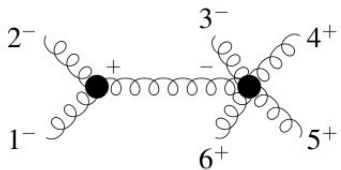
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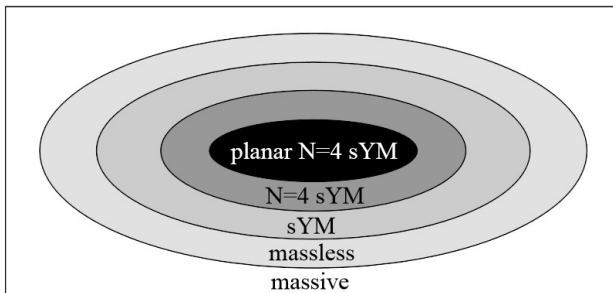
Efficient techniques at loop Level allowed many NLO and NNLO calculations for LHC and will be vital for FCC.

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lattice	$\sim 0.5\%$ (Wilson loops, correlators, ...) (limited by accuracy of pert. th.) [35-37]	$\sim 0.3\%$ (~ 5 yrs [38])

from Snowmass FCC-QCD report '13

Simplicity

Following Landau's quote we will go on to discussing even more important discoveries.



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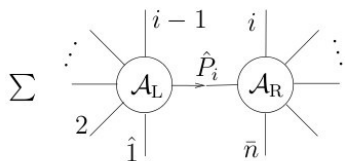
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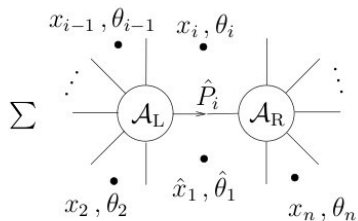
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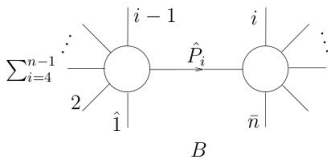
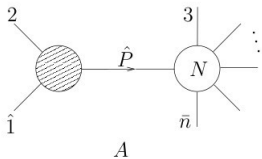
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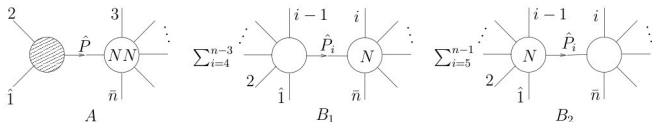
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$$\mathcal{A}_n^{NNMHV} = \mathcal{A}_n^{MHV} \sum_{2 \leq a_1 < b_1 \leq n-1} R_{n;a_1 b_1}^{0;0} \left[\sum_{a_1+1 \leq a_2 < b_2 \leq b_1} R_{n;b_1 a_1; a_2 b_2}^{0;a_1 b_1} + \sum_{b_1 \leq a_2 < b_2 \leq n-1} R_{n;a_2 b_2}^{a_1 b_1;0} \right] \quad (115)$$

\mathcal{A}_n^{NNMHV} in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY 6

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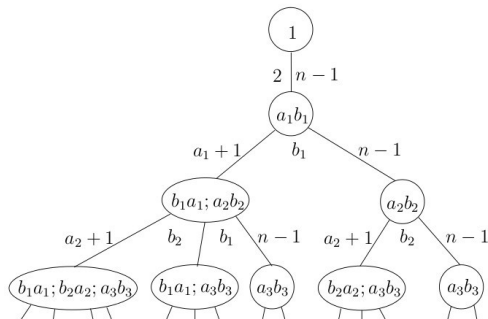
We observe that $B_1 + B_2$ is the homogenous term for $a_1 = 2$, thus

$$A + B_1 + B_2 = \mathcal{A}_n^{MHV} \sum_{2 \leq a_1 < b_1 \leq n-1} R_{n;a_1 b_1}^{0;0} \left[\sum_{a_1+1 \leq a_2 < b_2 \leq b_1} R_{n;b_1 a_1; a_2 b_2}^{0;a_1 b_1} + \sum_{b_1 \leq a_2 < b_2 \leq n-1} R_{n;a_2 b_2}^{a_1 b_1; 0} \right] \quad (118)$$

This expression gives the correct result for \mathcal{A}_6^{NNMHV} , which concludes the proof.

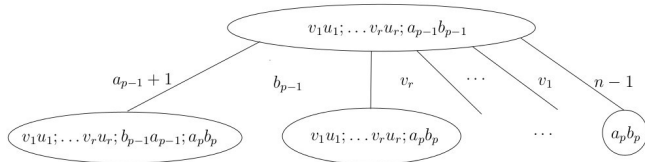
$\mathcal{A}_n^{NP\text{MHV}}$ in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY 1

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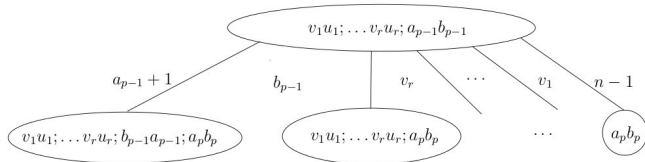
Each vertex correspond to an $R_{n;xx}^{xx;xx}$ term. The first line corresponds to $R_{n;a_1 b_1}^{0;0}$, the second to $R_{n;b_1 a_1; a_2 b_2}^{0;a_1 b_1}$ and $R_{n;a_2 b_2}^{a_1 b_1;0}$ etc. The number of vertices at each lines is given by the Catalan number $C(p) = \frac{(2p)!}{p!(p+1)!}$

$\mathcal{A}_n^{N^P \text{MHV}}$ in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY 2



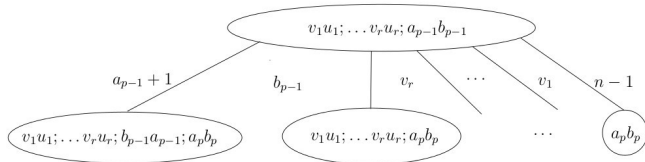
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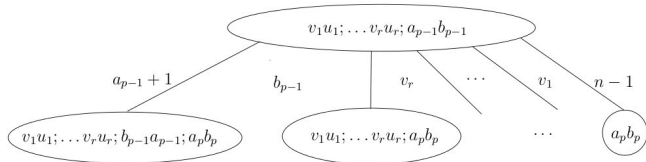
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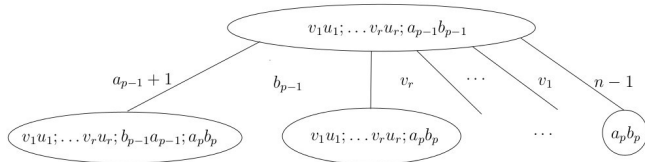
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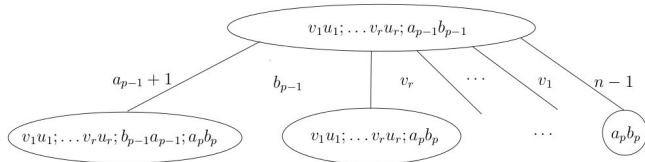
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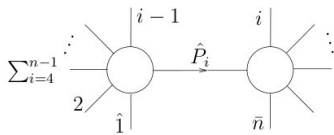
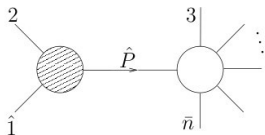
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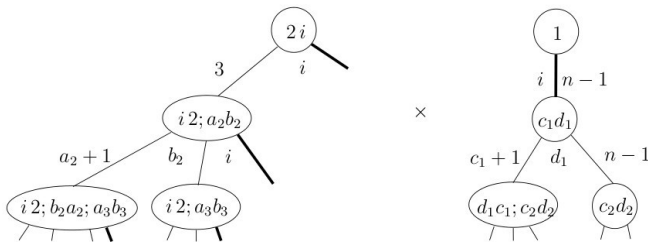
By induction it can be proved that

$$\mathcal{A}_n = \int \frac{d^4 n_{\hat{P}}}{P^2} \mathcal{A}_3^{MHV}(z_P) \mathcal{A}_{n-1}(z_P) + \sum_{i=4}^{n-1} \int \frac{d^4 n_{\hat{P}_i}}{P_i^2} \mathcal{A}_i(z_{P_i}) \mathcal{A}_{n-i+2}(z_{P_i}) \quad (122)$$



$\mathcal{A}_n^{N^p \text{MHV}}$ in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY 5

$$\mathcal{P}_n = \mathcal{P}_{n-1}(\hat{P}, 3, \dots, \hat{n}) + \sum_{i=4}^{n-1} R_{n;2i} \mathcal{P}_i(2, \dots, -\hat{P}_i, \hat{1}) \mathcal{P}_{n-i+2}(\hat{P}_i, i, \dots, \hat{n}) \quad (123)$$



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