

Bootstrapping Cosmological ~ Fluctuations ~

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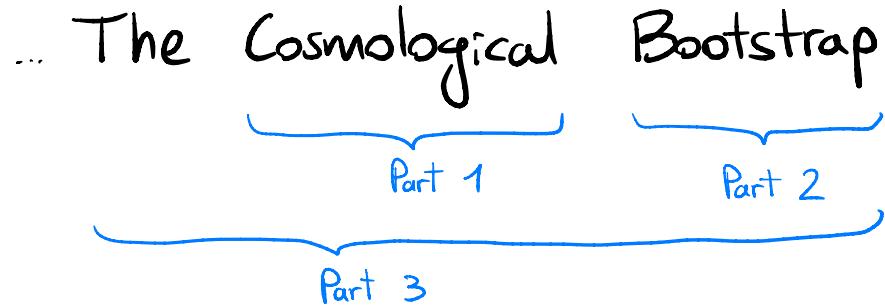
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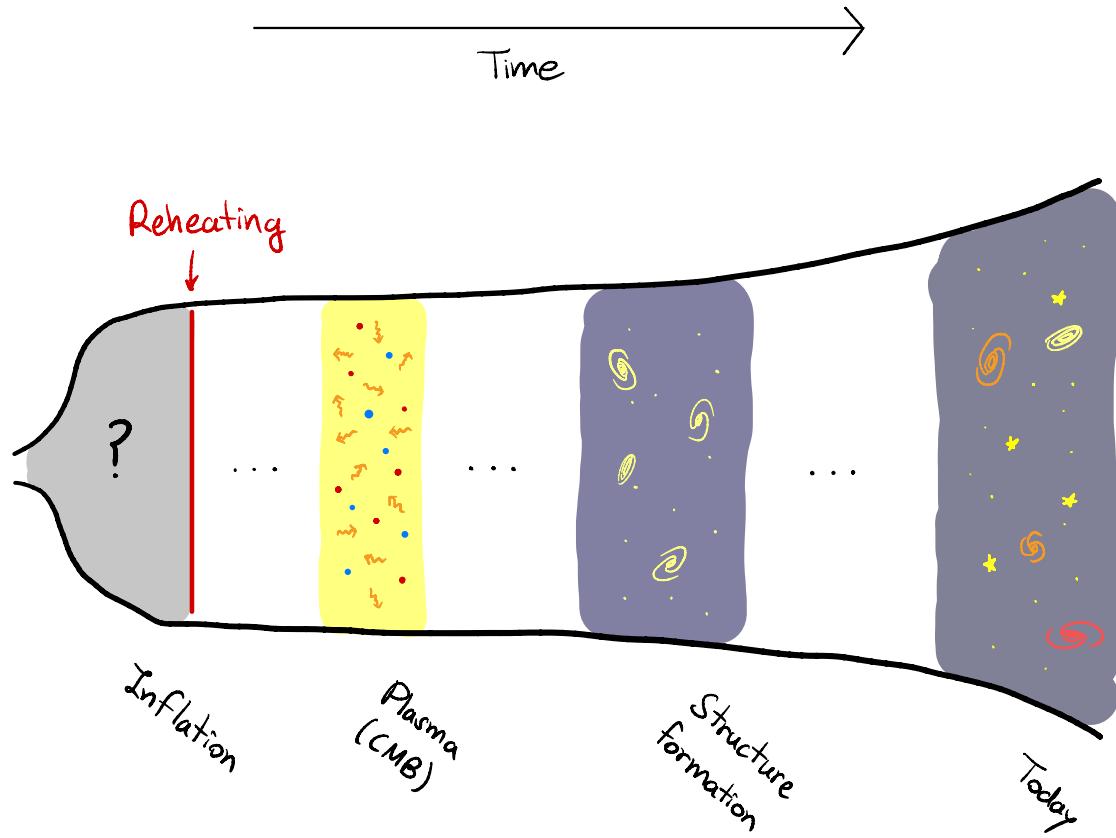
Outline

In these lectures we will learn about...

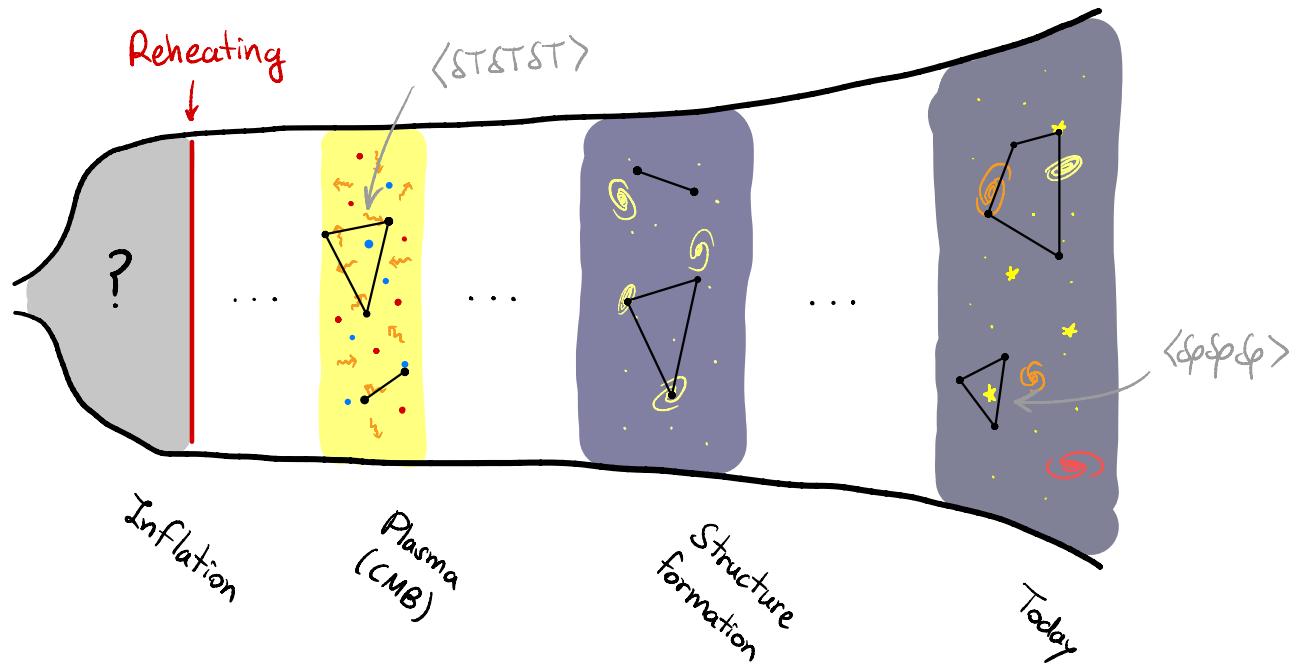


1. What are cosmological correlators? Why do we care?
2. What is a bootstrap? Why to bootstrap cosmo. correlators?
3. How? What are the bootstrap techniques?

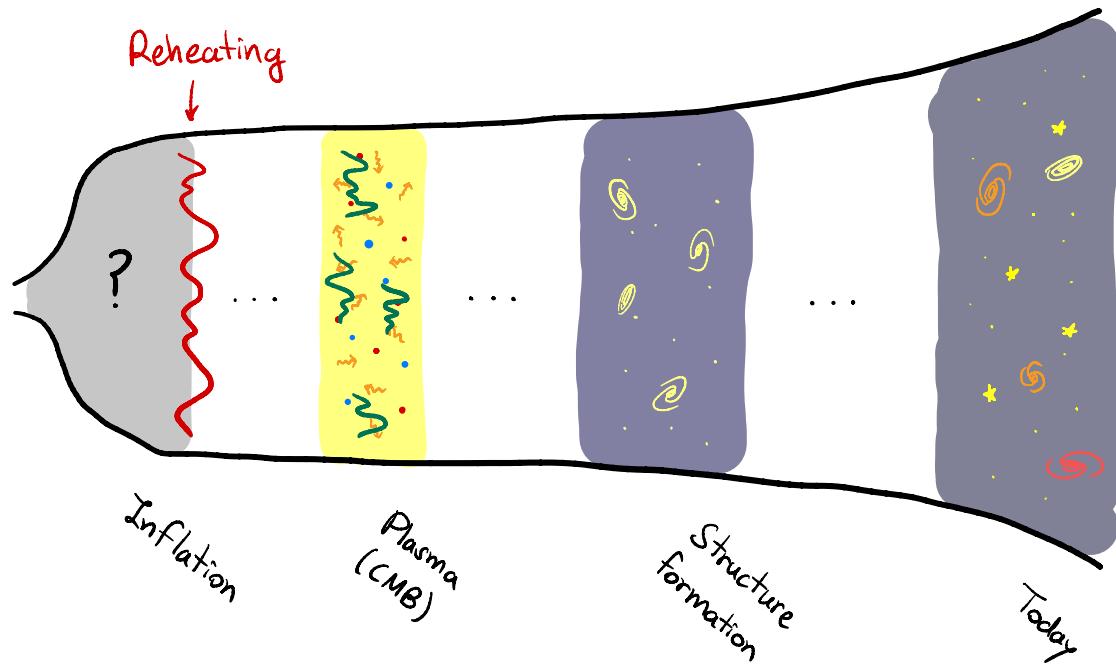
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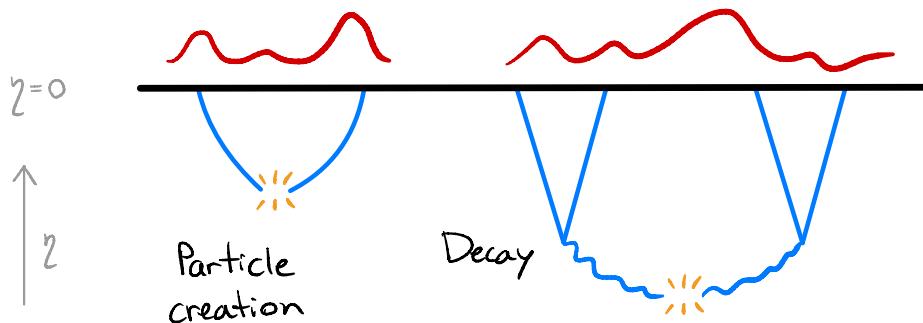
Cosmology measures spatial correlations in late time structure and tries to construct a consistent history of the universe that explains them



The primordial perturbations generated during inflation seeded the late time structure



The dynamics of inflation is encoded in these primordial perturbations



Energies

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{LHC: } \sim 10^4 \text{ GeV} \\ \text{Inflation: } \lesssim 10^{14} \text{ GeV} \end{array} \Rightarrow$$

The early universe was a huge cosmological collider

The observables of interest are correlation functions of fields at the end of inflation

Two d.o.f. in every inflationary model:

ζ : Scalar (inflaton + graviton) ; \propto_{ij} : Tensor (graviton)

- 2-point functions $\begin{cases} \langle \zeta \zeta \rangle : \text{Measured} \\ \langle \propto \propto \rangle : \text{Not measured, tells the energy scale of inflation} \end{cases}$
- 3,4,...-point functions (non-gaussianity): Not measured, contain information about the dynamics

$\langle \zeta \zeta \zeta \zeta \rangle, \langle \propto \propto \propto \propto \rangle, \langle \propto \propto \propto \zeta \zeta \rangle, \langle \propto \propto \propto \propto \zeta \zeta \rangle \dots$

We will focus on a more primitive object, the **Wave-function** of the universe:

$$\Psi[\phi(x)] \equiv \langle \phi(x) | 0 \rangle = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \cdot e^{iS[\phi]}$$

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 Late time
 field profile

It computes the correlators:

$$\langle \phi(\vec{x}_1) \dots \phi(\vec{x}_n) \rangle_{(\eta=0)} = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \cdot \phi(\vec{x}_1) \dots \phi(\vec{x}_n) \cdot |\Psi[\phi]|^2$$

In perturbation theory:

$$\Psi[\phi] = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \cdot e^{iS[\phi]} \approx e^{iS_{\text{cl}}[\phi]}$$

If the field profiles are small:

We work in
momentum space

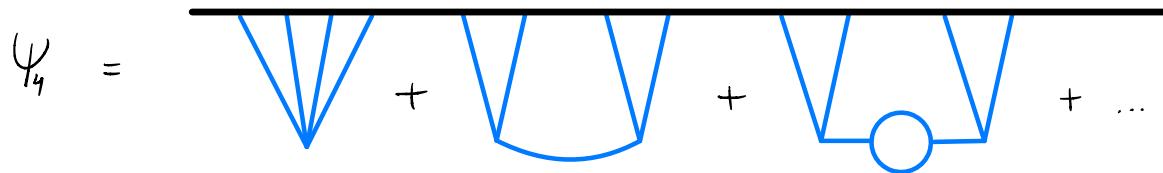
$$\Psi[\phi] \simeq \exp \left[- \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int d\vec{k}_1 \dots d\vec{k}_n \cdot \Psi_n(\vec{k}'s) \cdot \phi(\vec{k}_1) \dots \phi(\vec{k}_n) \right]$$

The wavefunction coefficients contain all the relevant information, schematically:

$$\langle \phi_1 \phi_2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2 \operatorname{Re} \Psi_2(\vec{k}_1 = -\vec{k}_2)} , \quad \langle \phi_1 \phi_2 \phi_3 \rangle = \frac{\operatorname{Re} \Psi_3(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3)}{4 \prod_{n=1}^3 \operatorname{Re} \Psi_2(\vec{k}_n)} ,$$

$$\langle \phi_1 \phi_2 \phi_3 \phi_4 \rangle = \frac{\operatorname{Re} \Psi_4(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3, \vec{k}_4) + 2 \cdot \operatorname{Re} \Psi_3(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, -\vec{k}_2) \cdot \operatorname{Re} \Psi_3(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_3, \vec{k}_4)}{8 \prod_{n=1}^4 \operatorname{Re} \Psi_2(\vec{k}_n)} , \dots$$

Ψ_n 's can be computed using a diagrammatic
(Feynman-Witten) expansion



Propagators come from the classical solution:

$$\varphi_d(\vec{k}, \eta) = \mathcal{O}(\vec{k}) \cdot K(\vec{k}, \eta) + \int d\eta' G(\vec{k}, \eta, \eta') \cdot \frac{\delta S_{\text{int}}}{\delta \varphi}$$

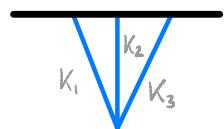
↗ Bulk-to-boundary propagator ↙ Bulk-to-bulk propagator

$$\Psi_n = \sum_{\text{diagrams}} \left(\prod_{\text{vertices}} \int d\eta \right) \cdot (\text{Vertices}) \cdot (k \cdots k) \cdot (g \cdots g)$$

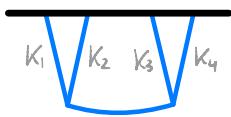
Example: Massless scalar in flat space

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} K(\vec{k}, t) = e^{ikt} \\ G(\vec{k}, t, t') = \frac{1}{2K} [e^{ik(t-t')} \cdot \theta(t-t') + e^{ik(t-t')} \cdot \theta(t'-t) - e^{ik(t+t')}] \end{array} \right.$$

Enforces boundary condition at $t=0$



$$\Psi_3 = i \int_{-\infty}^0 dt \cdot \prod_{n=1}^3 K_n(\vec{k}_n, t) = i \int_{-\infty}^0 dt \cdot e^{i \underbrace{(K_1+K_2+K_3)}_{\equiv K} t} = \frac{1}{K} e^{ikt} \int_{-\infty(1-i\epsilon)}^0 = \frac{1}{K}$$



$$S \equiv |\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_4 &= i^2 \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L dt_R \cdot K_1(\vec{k}, t_L) \cdot K_2(\vec{k}_1, t_L) \cdot G(\vec{k} + \vec{k}_2, t_L, t_R) \cdot K_3(\vec{k}_3, t_R) \cdot K_4(\vec{k}_4, t_R) = \\ &= \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} + \textcircled{3} \end{aligned}$$

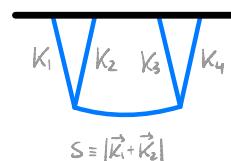
$$\begin{aligned}
 ① \quad & \frac{-1}{2s} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L dt_R \cdot e^{i(K_1+K_2-s)t_L} \cdot e^{\overbrace{i(K_3+K_4+s)}^{= E_R} t_R} \cdot \Theta(t_L - t_R) = \frac{-1}{2s} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L \cdot e^{i(K_1+K_2-s)t_L} \int_{-\infty}^{t_L} dt_R \cdot e^{iE_R t_R} = \\
 & = \frac{i}{2s} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L \cdot e^{i(K_1+K_2-s)t_L} \cdot \left. \frac{e^{iE_R t_R}}{E_R} \right|_{-\infty(1-iE)}^{t_L} = \frac{i}{2sE_R} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L \cdot e^{i(K_1+K_2+K_3+K_4)t_L} = \frac{1}{2sEE_R}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$② \quad \frac{-1}{2s} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L dt_R \cdot e^{\overbrace{i(K_1+K_2+s)}^{= E_L} t_L} \cdot e^{i(K_3+K_4-s)t_R} \cdot \Theta(t_R - t_L) = \frac{1}{2sEE_L}$$

$$③ \quad \frac{1}{2s} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L dt_R \cdot e^{iE_L t_L} \cdot e^{iE_R t_R} = -\frac{1}{2sE_L E_R}$$

Then:

$$\Psi_4 = \frac{1}{2s} \left(\frac{1}{EE_R} + \frac{1}{EE_L} - \frac{1}{E_L E_R} \right) = \frac{1}{2s} \cdot \frac{E - E_L - E_R}{EE_L E_R} = \frac{1}{EE_L E_R}$$



Massive scalar in dS:

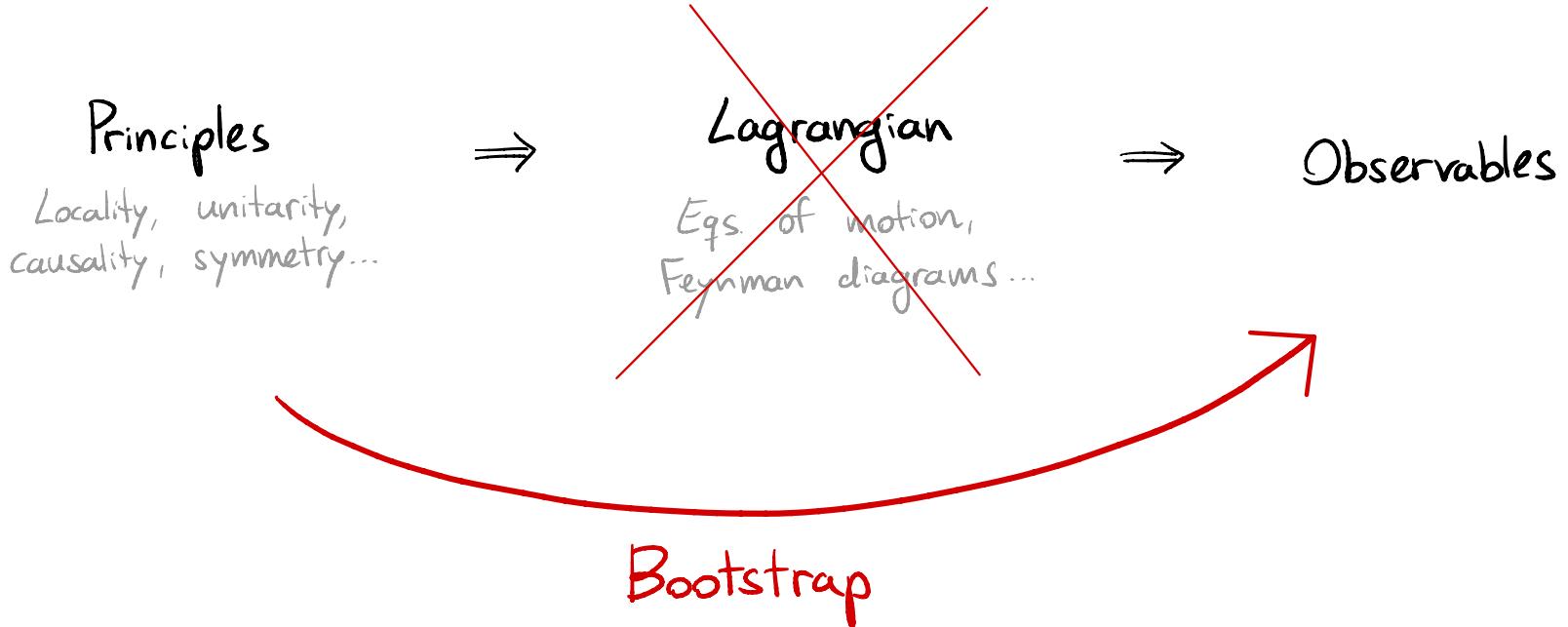
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} K_{\nu}(\vec{k}, \eta) = \left(\frac{\eta}{\eta_*} \right)^{3/2} \frac{H_{\nu}^{(2)}(-K\eta)}{H_{\nu}^{(2)}(-K\eta_*)} \\ G_{\nu}(\vec{k}, \eta, \eta') = \frac{\pi}{4} (\eta \eta')^{3/2} \left[H_{\nu}^{(1)}(-K\eta') \cdot H^{(1)}(-K\eta) \cdot \Theta(\eta - \eta') + (\eta \leftrightarrow \eta') - \frac{H_{\nu}^{(1)}(-K\eta_*)}{H_{\nu}^{(2)}(-K\eta_*)} H_{\nu}^{(2)}(-K\eta) H_{\nu}^{(2)}(-K\eta') \right] \end{array} \right.$$

with $\nu \equiv \sqrt{\frac{q}{4} - \frac{m^2}{H^2}}$

Very complicated integrals in general...

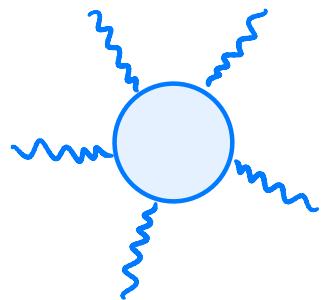
... we need some other method!

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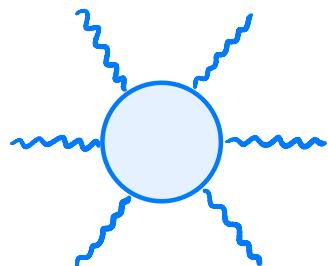
A successful story: the S-matrix

For example, gluons at tree-level:



$$= 25 \text{ Feynman diagrams} = \begin{cases} A(++++) = 0 \\ A(-+++)= 0 \\ A(--++) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 51 \rangle} \end{cases}$$

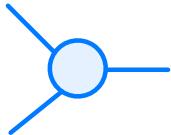
$$\text{with } \langle ij \rangle = \sqrt{2 p_i p_j} e^{i\varphi}$$



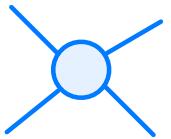
$$= 220 \text{ Feynman diagrams} = \begin{cases} A(+++++) = 0 \\ A(-++++) = 0 \\ A(--+++) = \frac{\langle 12 \rangle^3}{\langle 23 \rangle \langle 34 \rangle \langle 45 \rangle \langle 56 \rangle \langle 61 \rangle} \end{cases}$$

Originally guessed, later bootstrapped

Parke, Taylor '85



3-pt. amplitudes: Poincaré invariance



4-pt. amplitudes at tree level:

• Lorentz invariance \longrightarrow Mandelstam variables s, t, u

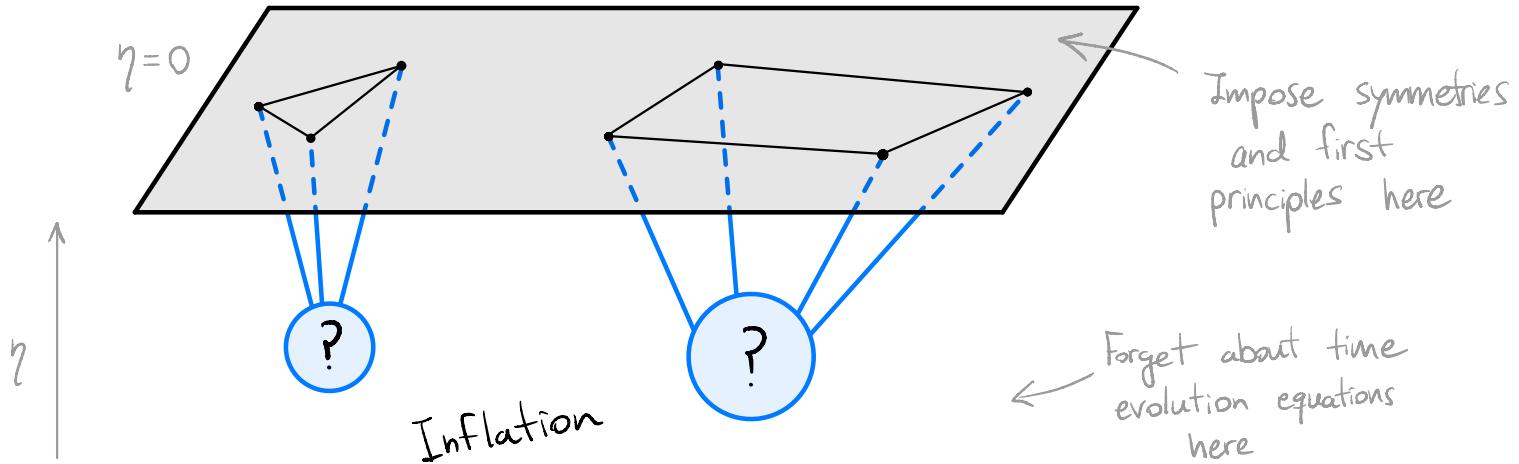
• Locality \longrightarrow Simple poles from particle exchange

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow M^2} A_4^{(\text{tree})} = \frac{A_3 \cdot A_3}{s - M^2}$$

• Unitarity \longrightarrow Positive coefficient

Theor: $A_4^{(\text{tree})}(s, t) = \sum a_{nm} s^n t^m + \frac{g^2}{s - M^2} \cdot P_s \left(1 + \frac{2t}{M^2}\right) + (\text{t-ch.}) + (\text{u-ch.})$



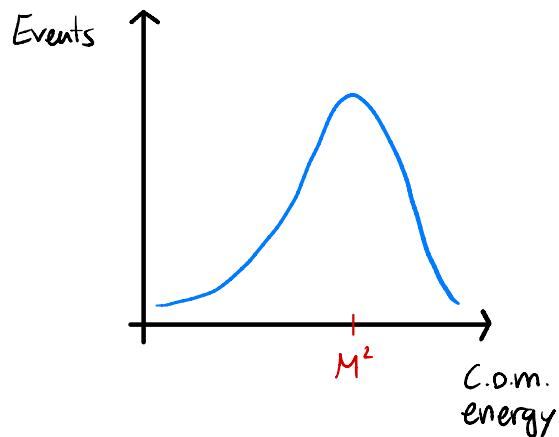


Advantages:

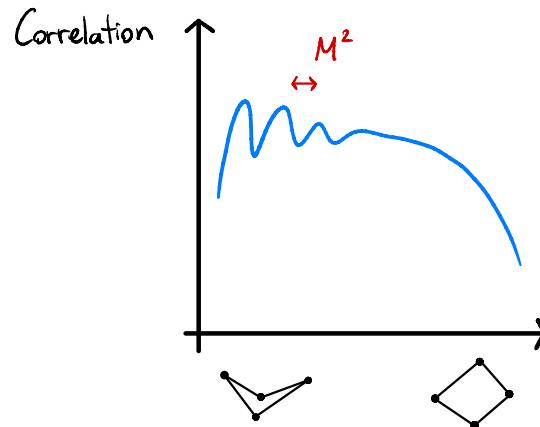
- More simple calculations
- Directly focuses on observables

Correlators from $M^2 > 0$ particle exchange show oscillations in certain limits, analogous to the resonances of particle colliders

Particle
collider



Cosmological
collider



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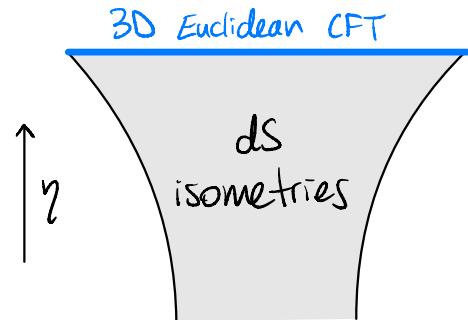
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Inflation took place in $\sim dS$

$$\langle \zeta \zeta \rangle \propto \frac{1}{K^{3+1-n_s}}$$

Deviation from
scale invariance: $1-n_s \simeq 0.04$



dS isometries

Spatial translations

Spatial rotations

Dilatation

dS boosts

$$\gamma \rightarrow 0$$

Conformal symmetries

Spatial translations

Spatial rotations

Scaling

Special conformal transf.

Ψ_n 's satisfy the symmetries of 3D euclidean CFT
correlators:

$$\Psi_n = \langle O_1 \dots O_n \rangle = \underbrace{(2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k}_1 + \dots + \vec{k}_n)}_{\text{Translation invariance}} \langle O_1 \dots O_n \rangle'$$

Prime: stripped off delta function

O 's are dual fields with scaling dimension:

$$\Delta = \frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{q}{4} - \frac{m^2}{H^2}} \quad (\ell=0) \quad ; \quad \Delta = \frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\ell - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{m^2}{H^2}} \quad (\ell > 0)$$

Hence:

$$\langle \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \rangle' = \frac{1}{2 \operatorname{Re} \langle \emptyset \emptyset \rangle}, \quad \langle \sigma_1^{ij} \sigma_2 \sigma_3 \rangle' = \frac{\operatorname{Re} \langle T^{ij} \emptyset \emptyset \rangle}{4 \operatorname{Re} \langle TT \rangle (\operatorname{Re} \langle \emptyset \emptyset \rangle)^2}$$

$$\text{Rotation invariance} \Rightarrow \langle O_1 \dots O_n \rangle'(\vec{k}_a) = \langle O_1 \dots O_n \rangle'(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_a \cdot \vec{k}_b)$$

$$\text{Scaling symmetry} \Rightarrow \left[3(n-1) - \sum_{a=1}^n \Delta_a + \sum_{a=1}^{n-1} \vec{k}_a \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{k}_a} \right] \langle O_1 \dots O_n \rangle' = 0 \quad \left. \right\}$$

$$\text{SCTs} \Rightarrow \sum_{a=1}^n \left[\vec{k}_a \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \vec{k}_a \partial \vec{k}_a} - 2 \vec{k}_a \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \vec{k}_a \partial \vec{k}_a} + 2(\Delta_a - 3) \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{k}_a} \right] \langle O_1 \dots O_n \rangle' = 0 \quad \left. \right\}$$

Example: 2-pt. function of scalars

$$\langle O_1 O_2 \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2) \cdot \langle O_1 O_2 \rangle' = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2) \cdot f(K)$$

$\swarrow K_1 = K_2 \equiv K$

$$\text{Scaling: } \left(3 - \Delta_1 - \Delta_2 + K \frac{\partial}{\partial K} \right) f(K) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad f(K) = \# K^{\Delta_1 + \Delta_2 - 3}$$

$$\text{SCTs: } \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 \equiv \Delta \quad \Rightarrow \quad f(K) = \# \delta_{\Delta, \Delta_2} \cdot K^{2\Delta - 3}$$

$$\text{We have then} \quad \langle \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \rangle' = \frac{1}{2 \operatorname{Re} \langle O_1 O_2 \rangle'} = \frac{C \delta_{\Delta, \Delta_2}}{K^{2\Delta - 3}}$$

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One strategy is to try and solve these equations:

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But here we will focus on other methods which are particularly powerful for meromorphic Ψ_n 's

3. Cosmological bootstrap

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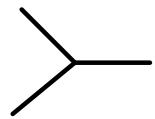
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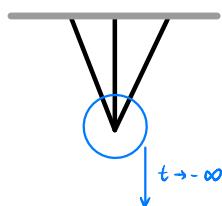
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Ψ 's have singularities in certain kinematical configurations



$$iA_3 = iV(\vec{k}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \cdot e^{iKt} = iV(\vec{k}) \cdot 2\pi \delta(K) \quad \text{Energy conservation}$$

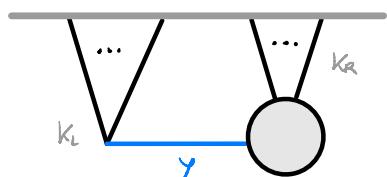


$$\Psi_3 = iV(\vec{k}) \int_{-\infty}^0 dt \cdot e^{iKt} = \frac{V(\vec{k})}{K} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lim_{K \rightarrow 0} \Psi_3 = \frac{A_3}{K}$$

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Also there for more complex diagrams:



$$\Psi_n = \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_R \cdot e^{iK_R t_R} \cdot \text{Loop} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_i \cdot e^{iK_i t_i} \cdot G(y, t_i, t_R)$$

$$\Psi_n = i \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_R e^{i K_R t_R} \cdot \text{circle} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L e^{i K_L t_L} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dw}{2\pi} \left(\frac{e^{-iw(t_L-t_R)}}{w^2 - y^2 + i\varepsilon} - \frac{e^{-iw(t_L+t_R)}}{w^2 - y^2 + i\varepsilon} \right) =$$

$$= i \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_R e^{i K_R t_R} \cdot \text{circle} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dw}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{K_L - w - i\varepsilon} \left(\frac{e^{iwt_R}}{w^2 - y^2 + i\varepsilon} - \frac{e^{-iwt_R}}{w^2 - y^2 + i\varepsilon} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{y^2 - K_L^2} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_R e^{i K_R t_R} (e^{i K_R t_R} - e^{-i K_R t_R}) \cdot \text{circle}$$

$$= \frac{-i}{y^2 - K_L^2} \left(\text{circle with vertical line } K_R + K_L - \text{circle with vertical line } K_R + y \right)$$

$$= \frac{-i}{\gamma^2 - k_L^2} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram with loop } k_{L+R} \\ - \\ \text{Diagram with loop } k_R + \gamma \end{array} \right)$$

$$\gamma^2 - k_L^2 = |\vec{k}_1 + \dots + \vec{k}_r|^2 - (k_1 + \dots + k_r)^2 = k_L \cdot k_L \quad \text{with} \quad k_L^m = k_1^m + \dots + k_r^m$$

If has a singularity in k_R with residue the scattering amplitude

\Rightarrow

Ψ_n has a singularity in $k_L + k_R = E$ with residue A_n

Since it is true for the contact diagram, we prove it recursively for all tree-level graphs

$\Psi_n^{(\text{tree})} \xrightarrow[E \rightarrow 0]{} \frac{A_n}{E}$

(Flat space)

Similar arguments hold in dS because:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} K_\nu(\vec{k}, \eta) \approx \eta^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot H_\nu^{(2)}(-k\eta) \xrightarrow[\eta \rightarrow -\infty]{} (-ik\eta + O(1)) e^{ik\eta} \\ G_\nu(\vec{k}, \eta, \eta') \xrightarrow[\eta, \eta' \rightarrow -\infty]{} \eta\eta' \cdot G^{(\text{flat})}(\vec{k}, \eta, \eta') \end{array} \right.$$

We have:

$$\Psi_n^{(\text{tree})} \xrightarrow[E \rightarrow 0]{} \frac{\prod_a K_a^{\Delta_a - 2}}{E^\rho} A_n$$

with

$$\rho = 1 + \sum_v (\Delta_v - 4)$$

(de Sitter)

Ψ 's are also singular when the sum of energies flowing into a subdiagram vanishes. For Ψ_4 for example:



In flat space:

$$\lim_{E_R \rightarrow 0} \Psi_4 = \frac{\tilde{\Psi}_3 \times A_3}{E_R}$$

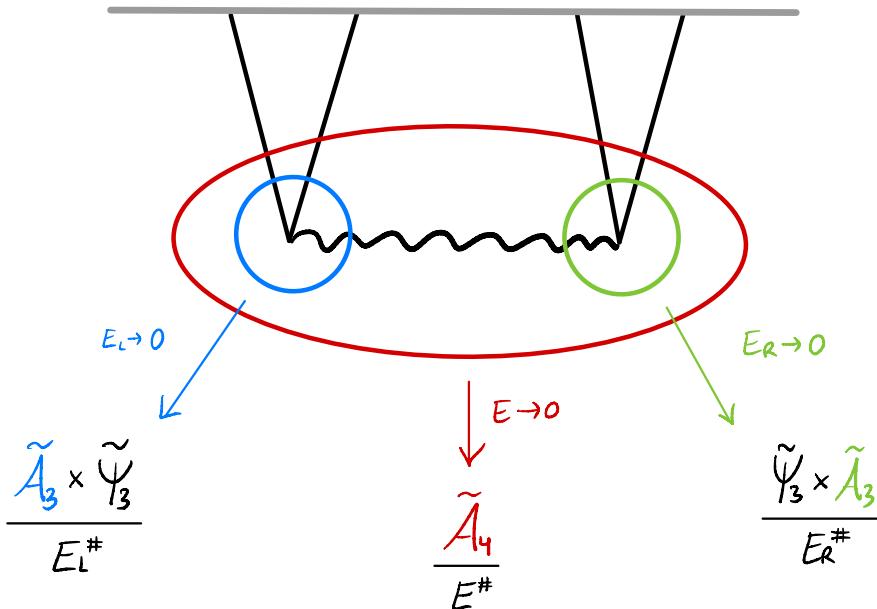
with $\tilde{\Psi}_3 \equiv \frac{1}{2s} [\Psi_3(-s) - \Psi_3(+s)]$

In dS:

$$\lim_{E_R \rightarrow 0} \Psi_4 = \frac{\tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{A}_3}{E_R^2}$$

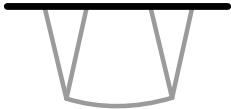
with
$$\begin{cases} \tilde{A}_3 \equiv \prod_a K^{4a-2} \cdot A_3 \\ \tilde{\Psi}_3 \equiv \frac{(-1)^{4s}}{2s^{24s-3}} [\Psi_3(-s) - \Psi_3(+s)] \end{cases}$$

For tree-level Ψ_4 :

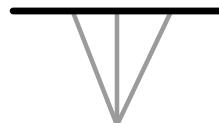


- These singularities do not correspond to physical momentum configurations
- We will also require the absence of other singularities

Example: Massless scalar in flat space



$$A_3 = 1 \quad ;$$



$$\Psi_3 = \frac{1}{k_1 + k_2 + k_3}$$



$$A_4 = -\frac{1}{S} = \frac{1}{(k_1^{\mu} + k_2^{\mu})^2} = -\frac{1}{(k_1 + k_2)^2 - \underbrace{|k_1 + k_2|^2}_{S^2}} = -\frac{1}{E_L (k_1 + k_2 - s)}$$

- $\Psi_4 \xrightarrow{E_L \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{E_L} A_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3 = \frac{1}{2sE_L} \left(\frac{1}{k_3 + k_4 - s} - \frac{1}{E_R} \right) = \frac{E_R - k_{34} + s}{2sE_L E_R (k_{34} - s)} = \frac{1}{E_L E_R (k_{34} - s)}$
- $\Psi_4 \xrightarrow{E_R \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{E_R} \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times A_3 = \frac{1}{E_L E_R (k_{12} - s)}$
- $\Psi_4 \xrightarrow{E \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{E} A_4 = \frac{1}{E E_L (s - k_{12})}$

The unique function that satisfies this is

$$\Psi_4 = \frac{1}{E E_L E_R}$$

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Massless spinning fields: $\Psi[\phi_{ij}, A_i, \phi]$

↑
Graviton ↑
Vector ↑
Scalar

Gauge invariance of Ψ implies some current conservation identities:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \delta A_i^B &= \partial_i \Lambda^B - i f^{BCD} A_i^C \Lambda^D \\ \delta \phi^a &= \Lambda_A (T^A)_{ab} \phi^b \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \delta \Psi = \int d^3x \left[(\partial_i \Lambda^B - i f^{BCD} A_i^C \Lambda^D) \frac{\delta}{\delta A_i^B} + \Lambda_A (T^A)_{ab} \phi^b \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi^a} \right] \Psi = 0$$

↓

$$\vec{k} \cdot \langle \vec{j}_k^a O_k^{b_2} \cdots O_k^{b_n} \rangle = - \sum_{a=2}^n i (T^A)_{b_a c} \langle O_k^{b_2} \cdots O_{k+a}^c \cdots O_k^{b_n} \rangle$$

Similarly, diffeo invariance:

$$\delta_\epsilon \Psi = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad k_i \xi^i \langle T_{k_i}^{ij} O_{k_1} \cdots O_{k_n} \rangle = - \sum_{a=2}^n x_a \cdot (\vec{\xi}_a \vec{k}_a) \langle O_{k_1} \cdots O_{k_a+k_1} \cdots O_{k_n} \rangle$$

These WTIs reflect **locality** of the bulk physics and lead to **nontrivial constraints** on the couplings of gauge fields

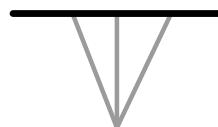
Example: Massless spin-1 and c.c. scalars in dS

$$\langle J\psi\psi\psi\rangle_s = \text{Diagram} \quad \Delta_J = \frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{m^2}{H^2}} = 2$$

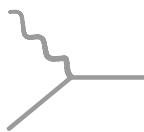
Conformally coupled scalar φ : $m_\varphi^2 = 2H^2 \Rightarrow \Delta_\varphi = \frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{9}{4} - \frac{m_\varphi^2}{H^2}} = 2$



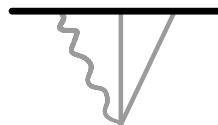
$$A_3^{(R)} = 1 \quad ;$$



$$\Psi_3^{(R)} = \log(K_3 + K_4 + s)$$



$$A_3^{(I)} = 2(\xi_1 \cdot K_2) \quad ;$$



$$\Psi_3^{(I)} = \frac{2}{K_1 + K_2 + s} (\vec{\xi}_1 \cdot \vec{K}_2)$$

$$\vec{\xi}_1 \cdot \vec{K}_2 = 0 \quad (\text{transverse})$$

$$[\langle J\psi\psi\psi\rangle_s] = \sum_{a=1}^4 \Delta_a - 3(4-1) = 4 \cdot 2 - 9 = -1$$

- $$\lim_{E_L \rightarrow 0} \langle J\psi\psi\psi \rangle_s = \frac{A_3^{(L)} \times \tilde{\psi}_3^{(R)}}{E_L} = \frac{A_3^{(L)}}{E_L} \cdot \frac{1}{2s} [\psi_3^{(R)}(-s) - \psi_3^{(R)}(s)] = -\frac{(\vec{\epsilon}_s \cdot \vec{k}_2)}{s E_L} \log \left(\frac{E_R}{K_{34}-s} \right)$$
- $$\lim_{E_R \rightarrow 0} \langle J\psi\psi\psi \rangle_s = \tilde{\psi}_3^{(L)} \times A_3^{(R)} \cdot \log \left(\frac{E_R}{\mu} \right) = \frac{1}{2s} [\psi_3^{(L)}(-s) - \psi_3^{(L)}(s)] \cdot A_3^{(R)} \cdot \log \left(\frac{E_R}{\mu} \right) =$$

$$= \frac{(\vec{\epsilon}_s \cdot \vec{k}_2)}{s} \left(\frac{1}{K_{12}-s} - \frac{1}{K_{12}+s} \right) \cdot \log \left(\frac{E_R}{\mu} \right) = \frac{2(\vec{\epsilon}_s \cdot \vec{k}_2)}{E_L(K_{12}-s)} \cdot \log \left(\frac{E_R}{\mu} \right)$$

A function that correctly factorizes is:

$$\langle J\psi\psi\psi \rangle_s \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{2(\vec{\epsilon}_s \cdot \vec{k}_2)}{E_L(K_{12}-s)} \cdot \log \left(\frac{E_R}{K_{34}-s} \right)$$

"Folded" singularities ($K_{12}-s=0$ and $K_{34}-s=0$) must be absent. To get rid of $K_{34}-s=0$, we can rewrite $K_{34}-s \longrightarrow K_{34}+K_{12}=E$ in the $E_L \rightarrow 0$ limit above.

Then:

$$\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{\varphi} \vec{\varphi} \rangle_s = \frac{2(\vec{\xi}_1 \cdot \vec{\xi}_2)}{E_L(K_{12}-s)} \cdot \log\left(\frac{E_R}{E}\right)$$

Notice that $\lim_{K_2 \rightarrow s} \langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{\varphi} \vec{\varphi} \rangle_s = -\frac{(\vec{\xi}_1 \cdot \vec{\xi}_2)}{s E_R}$ is regular

The relevant WTI is:

$$\vec{k}_1 \cdot \langle \vec{J}_{\vec{k}_1} \varphi_{\vec{k}_2} \varphi_{\vec{k}_3} \varphi_{\vec{k}_4} \rangle = -e_2 \langle \varphi_{\vec{k}_1+\vec{k}_2} \varphi_{\vec{k}_3} \varphi_{\vec{k}_4} \rangle - e_3 \langle \varphi_{\vec{k}_1} \varphi_{\vec{k}_2+\vec{k}_3} \varphi_{\vec{k}_4} \rangle - e_4 \langle \varphi_{\vec{k}_1} \varphi_{\vec{k}_2} \varphi_{\vec{k}_3+\vec{k}_4} \rangle = \\ = -e_2 \log\left(\frac{K_{34}+s}{\mu}\right) - e_3 \log\left(\frac{K_{24}+u}{\mu}\right) - e_4 \log\left(\frac{K_{23}+t}{\mu}\right) \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} t \equiv |\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_4| \\ u \equiv |\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_3| \end{cases}$$

Does our solution above satisfy it? We cannot compute $\vec{k}_1 \cdot \langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{\varphi} \vec{\varphi} \rangle_s$ directly because it misses the longitudinal term:

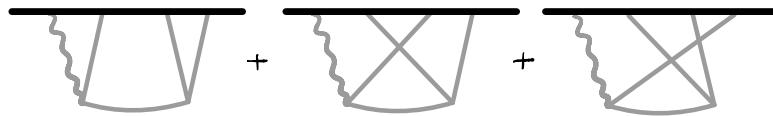
$$\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{\varphi} \vec{\varphi} \rangle_s \sim (\dots)(\vec{z}_1 \cdot \vec{k}_2) + (\dots)(\vec{z}_1 \cdot \vec{k}_1)$$

Non-transverse polariz. vector

But there's a way to compute it (using spinor helicity variables). It yields:

$$\vec{K}_i \cdot \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \psi \psi \rangle_s = -e_s \left[\log \left(\frac{K_{34} + s}{E} \right) + \frac{K_1}{E} \right] \quad \times \quad \text{Not consistent with the WTI}$$

Adding t- and u-channels:



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{K}_i \cdot \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \psi \psi \rangle_{s+t+u} &= -e_s \log \left(\frac{K_{34} + s}{\mu} \right) - e_t \log \left(\frac{K_{23} + t}{\mu} \right) - e_u \log \left(\frac{K_{24} + u}{\mu} \right) - \\ &\quad - (e_s + e_t + e_u) \left[\log \left(\frac{\mu}{E} \right) + \frac{K_1}{E} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Consistent if:

$$e_s = e_2 ; \quad e_t = e_4 ; \quad e_u = e_3 \quad \text{and}$$

$e_2 + e_3 + e_4 = 0$ Charge conservation!

Similarly, one can show:

- $[T^A, T^B]_{ab} = f^{ABC} T_{ab}^C$
- Equivalent principle
- Jacobi identity
- Massless $\ell \geq 3$ can't couple to matter

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We can define a conjugate wavefunction coef. $\bar{\Psi}_n$. It is computed like Ψ_n except:

$$\bar{\Psi}_n \left\{ \begin{array}{l} g \longrightarrow \bar{g} \equiv g^* \\ i\nabla \longrightarrow -i\nabla \end{array} \right.$$

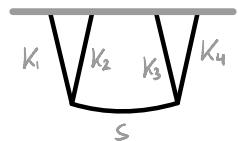
- Flat space

Let us define:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{g}(\vec{k}, t, t') &= g(\vec{k}, t, t') + \bar{g}(\vec{k}, t, t') = \frac{1}{2k} \left[e^{ik(t-t')} \cdot \theta(t'-t) + e^{ik(t'-t)} \cdot \theta(t-t') - e^{ik(t+t')} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + e^{-ik(t-t')} \cdot \theta(t'-t) + e^{-ik(t'-t)} \cdot \theta(t-t') - e^{-ik(t+t')} \right] = \frac{1}{2k} \left[e^{ik(t-t')} + e^{ik(t'-t)} - \right. \\ &\quad \left. - e^{ik(t+t')} - e^{-ik(t+t')} \right] = -\frac{1}{2k} (e^{-ikt} - e^{ikt})(e^{-ikt'} - e^{ikt'}) = \\ &= -\frac{1}{2k} [K(-k, t) - K(k, t)][K(-k, t') - K(k, t')] \end{aligned}$$

We call this a cut propagator:

$$\tilde{G}(\vec{k}, t, t') \equiv G(\vec{k}, t, t') + \bar{G}(\vec{k}, t, t') = -\frac{1}{2K} [K(-k, t) - K(k, t)] [K(-k, t') - K(k, t')]$$



In the tree-level 4-pt. case:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_4 + \bar{\Psi}_4 &= (iV)^2 \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L dt_R \cdot K_i \cdots K_4 g_s + (-iV)^2 \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L dt_R \cdot K_i \cdots K_4 \bar{g}_s = (iV)^2 \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L dt_R \cdot K_i \cdots K_4 (\underbrace{g_s + \bar{g}_s}_{\tilde{g}_s}) = \\ &= -\frac{(iV)^2}{2s} \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_L \cdot K_1(K_1) \cdot K_2(K_2) \cdot [K_1(-s) - K_1(s)] \cdot \int_{-\infty}^0 dt_R \cdot K_3(K_3) \cdot K_4(K_4) \cdot [K_4(-s) - K_4(s)] = -2s \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3 \end{aligned}$$

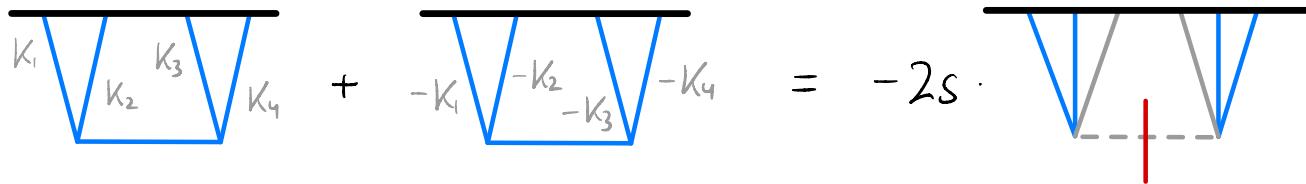
$$\Psi_4 + \bar{\Psi}_4 = -2s \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3$$

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Unitarity implies $\bar{\Psi}_n(K_a, \gamma_a) = \Psi_n^*(-K_a, \gamma_a)$

↘ Internal
 ↑ External

$$\Psi_4(K_a) + \Psi_4^*(-K_a) = -2s \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3$$



- de Sitter

Analogously:

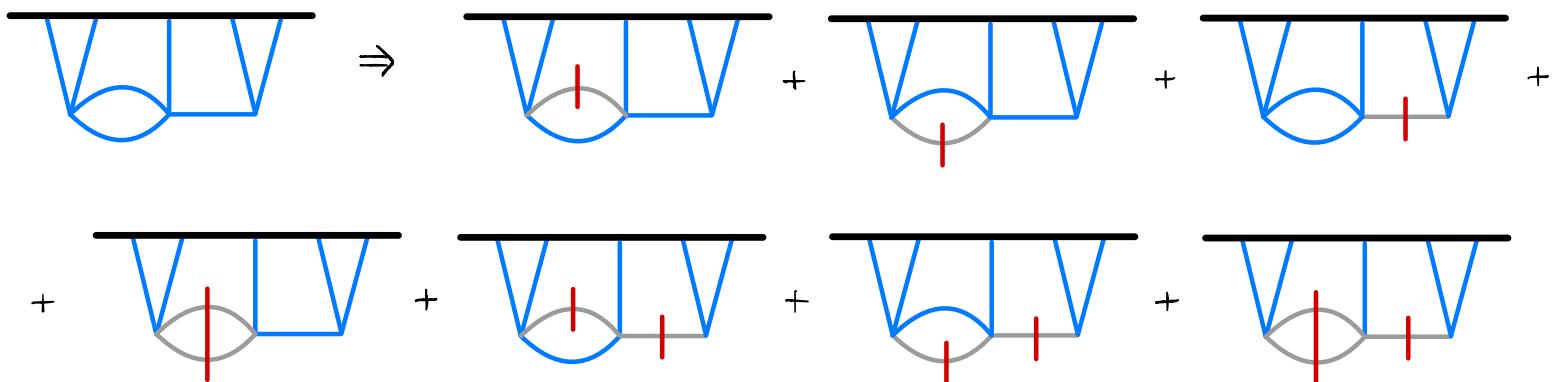
$$\Psi_4(K_a) + \Psi_4^*(-K_a) = -P_\nu(s) \cdot \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3$$

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These cutting rules exist for any diagram in any FLRW background

$$\Psi_n(k's) + \Psi_n^*(-k's) = - \sum_{\text{cuts}} \Psi_n$$

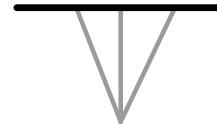


Example: Massless scalar in flat space



$$\Psi_4 = \frac{1}{EE_L E_R}$$

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$$\Psi_3 = \frac{1}{K}$$

$$\Psi_4(K_a) + \Psi_4^*(-K_a) = -2s \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3$$

$$\text{with } \tilde{\Psi}_3 = \frac{1}{2s} (\Psi_3(-s) - \Psi_3(s))$$

Let's check:

$$\Psi_4(K_a) + \Psi_4^*(-K_a) = \frac{1}{EE_L E_R} + \frac{1}{(-E)(-K_{12}+s)(-K_{34}+s)} = \frac{1}{E} \cdot \frac{(K_{12}-s)(K_{34}-s) - E_L E_R}{(K_{12}^2-s^2)(K_{34}^2-s^2)} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{E} \cdot \frac{-2sE}{(K_{12}^2-s^2)(K_{34}^2-s^2)} = -\frac{2s}{(K_{12}^2-s^2)(K_{34}^2-s^2)}$$

$$-2s \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3 = \frac{-1}{2s} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{K_{12}-s} - \frac{1}{K_{12}+s} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{K_{34}-s} - \frac{1}{K_{34}+s} \right) = \frac{-1}{2s} \cdot \frac{2s}{K_{12}^2-s^2} \cdot \frac{2s}{K_{34}^2-s^2} = -\frac{2s}{(K_{12}^2-s^2)(K_{34}^2-s^2)}$$

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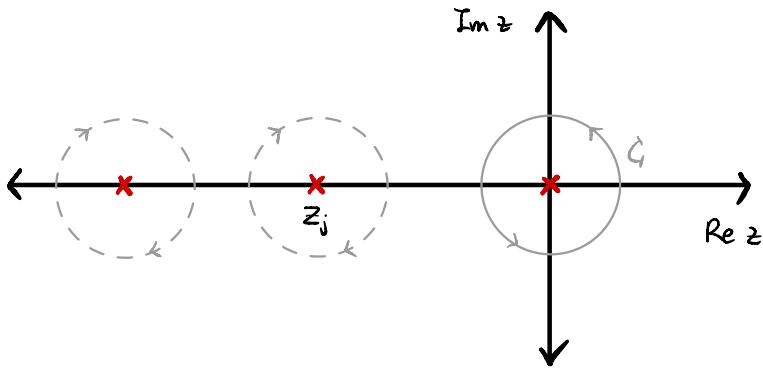
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Inspired by the BCFW recursion of scattering amplitudes, we can shift:



$$\left. \begin{aligned} K_a &\rightarrow K_a + Ca z \\ |\vec{K}_a + \vec{K}_b| &\rightarrow |\vec{K}_a + \vec{K}_b| + d_{ab} z \end{aligned} \right\} \Psi_n(z)$$

Then

$$\Psi_n = \Psi_n(z=0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C dz \frac{\Psi_n(z)}{z}$$

$$\Psi_n = - \sum_j \text{Res}_{z=z_j} \left(\frac{\Psi_n(z)}{z} \right) + B_\infty$$

Poles of $\Psi(z)$

Pole at $z=\infty$

Example:

$$\Psi_4 = \frac{1}{E E_L E_R}$$

$$K_i \rightarrow K_i + z$$

$$\Psi_4(z) = \frac{1}{(E+z)(E_L+z)E_R}$$

Poles of $\Psi_4(z)$
at $z_j = \{-E, -E_L\}$

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For simple poles, the residues are given by lower-point Ψ 's and amplitudes

For poles of order $m > 2$ we need subleading terms of the [Laurent expansion](#) of Ψ around the singularity:

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_j} \left(\frac{\Psi_n(z)}{z} \right) = - \sum_{\ell=1}^m \frac{R^{(\ell)}}{(-z_j)^\ell}$$

with:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_j} \Psi_n(z) = \sum_{\ell=1}^m \frac{R^{(\ell)}}{(z-z_j)^\ell} + \text{finite}$$

For $E \rightarrow 0$ we don't have all of these terms. Luckily, for partial energy singularities we have them from:

$$\Psi_n(k's) + \Psi_n^*(-k's) = - \sum_{\text{cuts}} \Psi_n$$

Example: Massless scalar with $\dot{\phi}^3$ in dS

$$S = \int dt d^3x \alpha^3(t) \left[\frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 - \frac{1}{\alpha^2(t)} (\vec{\nabla} \phi)^2 + \frac{g}{3!} \dot{\phi}^3 \right]$$

- Breaks dS boosts
- Produces rational Ψ 's

3-pt. vertex gives

$$\Psi_3(K_1, K_2, K_3) = - \frac{2(K_1 K_2 K_3)^2}{(K_1 + K_2 + K_3)^3}$$

so:

$$-2s^3 \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3 = -8(K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2 s^3 \frac{(3K_{12}^2 + s^2)(3K_{34}^2 + s^2)}{E_L^3 (K_{12} - s)^3 E_R^3 (K_{34} - s)^3}$$

We will shift:

$$K_{12} \longrightarrow K_{12} + z$$

so that $\Psi_4(z)$ will have poles at

$$z_T = -E \quad ; \quad z_L = -E_L$$

Now we use:

$$\Psi_4(K's) + \Psi_4^*(-K's) = -2s^3 \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3$$

to get:

$$\begin{aligned} -\text{Res}_{z=-E_L} \left(\frac{\Psi_4(z)}{z} \right) &= \lim_{K_{12} \rightarrow -s} \Psi_4 \Big|_{\text{singular}} = \lim_{K_{12} \rightarrow -s} -2s^3 \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3 \Big|_{\text{singular}} = \\ &= \lim_{K_{12} \rightarrow -s} -8(K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2 s^3 \frac{(3K_{12}^2 + s^2)(3K_{34}^2 + s^2)}{E_L^3 (K_{12}-s)^3 E_R^3 (K_{34}-s)^3} \Big|_{\text{singular}} = \frac{4(K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2 (3K_{34}^2 + s^2)}{E_L^3 E_R^3 (K_{34}-s)^3} \end{aligned}$$

The other residue is:

$$-\text{Res}_{z=-E} \left(\frac{\Psi_4(z)}{z} \right) = \lim_{K_{12} \rightarrow -K_{34}} \Psi_4 \Big|_{\text{singular}} = -\frac{24(K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2 K_{34}^2}{E^5 E_R (K_{34}-s)} + \frac{R_E}{E^4}$$

$$R_E \equiv R^{(4)} + E R^{(3)} + E^2 R^{(2)} + E^3 R^{(1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi_4 &= - \sum_{z_j = -E_L - E} \text{Res}_{z_j} \left(\frac{\Psi_4(z)}{z} \right) = \\ &= \frac{4(K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4 s)^2 (3K_{34}^2 + s^2)}{E_L^3 E_R^3 (K_{34} - s)^3} - \frac{24(K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2 K_{34}^2}{E^5 E_R (K_{34} - s)} + \frac{R_E}{E^4}\end{aligned}$$

To fix R_E , we require 1. the $K_{34} - s = 0$ singularity to be absent and 2. the correct factorization at $E_R = 0$:

$$1. \lim_{K_{34} \rightarrow s} E^4 \cdot \Psi_4 \Big|_{\text{singular}} = \frac{2s E_L (K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2}{(K_{34} - s)^3} + \frac{8s (K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2}{(K_{34} - s)^2} + \lim_{K_{34} \rightarrow s} R_E \Big|_{\text{singular}} = 0$$



$$\lim_{K_{34} \rightarrow s} R_E \Big|_{\text{singular}} = 2s (K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2 \left[\frac{E_L}{(K_{34} - s)^3} + \frac{4}{(K_{34} - s)^2} \right]$$

$$2. \lim_{K_{34} \rightarrow -s} E^4 \Psi_4 \Big|_{\text{singular}} = \lim_{K_{34} \rightarrow -s} E^4 (-2s^3 \tilde{\Psi}_3 \times \tilde{\Psi}_3) \Big|_{\text{singular}}$$



$$\lim_{K_{34} \rightarrow -s} R_E \Big|_{\text{singular}} = 2s (K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2 \cdot \frac{E + 3E_R}{E_R^3}$$

Adding up these series gives:

$$\frac{R_E}{E^4} = - \frac{4(K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4 s)^2}{E^3 E_R^2 (K_{34} - s)^2} \left[\frac{6K_{34}}{E} + \frac{3K_{34}^2 + s^2}{E_R (K_{34} - s)} \right]$$

Sanity check: no E_L or $K_2 - s$ poles

And finally:

$$\Psi_4 = (K_1 K_2 K_3 K_4)^2 \left\{ 2s \left[\frac{6}{E^5} \left(\frac{1}{E_L} + \frac{1}{E_R} \right) + \frac{3}{E^4} \left(\frac{1}{E_L^2} + \frac{1}{E_R^2} \right) + \frac{1}{E^3} \left(\frac{1}{E_L^3} + \frac{1}{E_R^3} \right) - \frac{1}{E_L^3 E_R^3} \right] - \frac{24}{E^5} \right\}$$

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Manifestly local test

For ψ_n 's of massless scalars and gravitons, if the interactions of the dynamical fields are local:

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial k_a} \psi_n \right|_{k_a=0} = 0 \quad \checkmark \text{ a corresponding to those fields}$$

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Soft limits

Shift symmetry of the interactions implies:

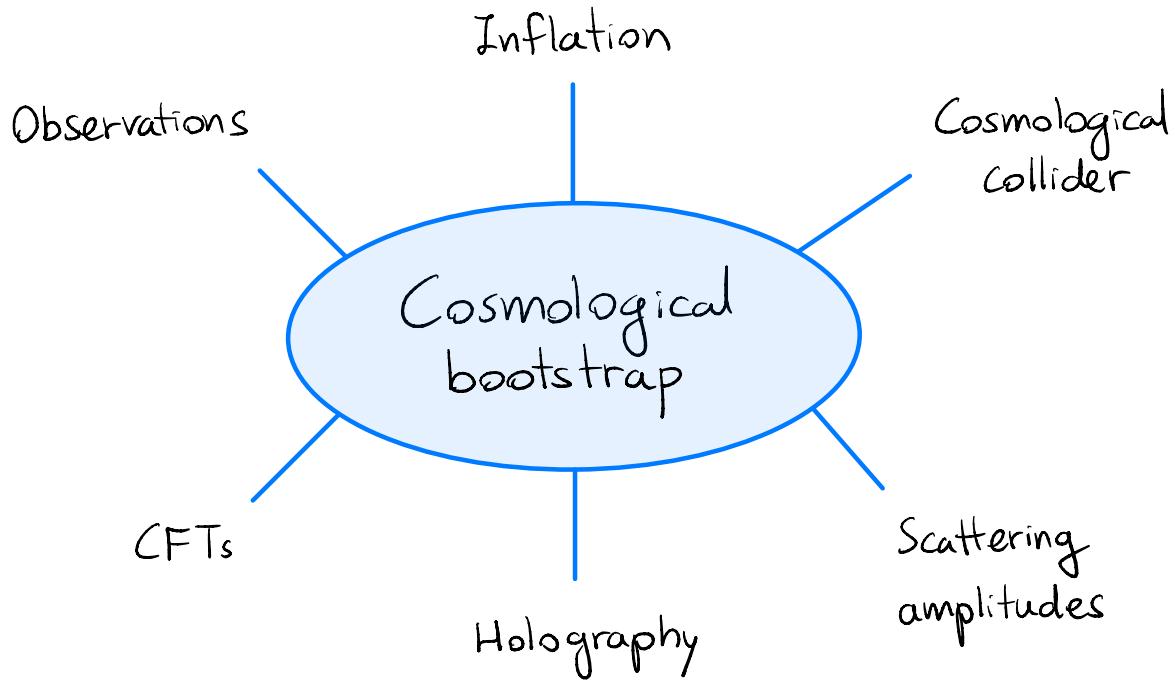
$$\lim_{\vec{k}_a \rightarrow 0} \psi_n = 0$$

Transmutation

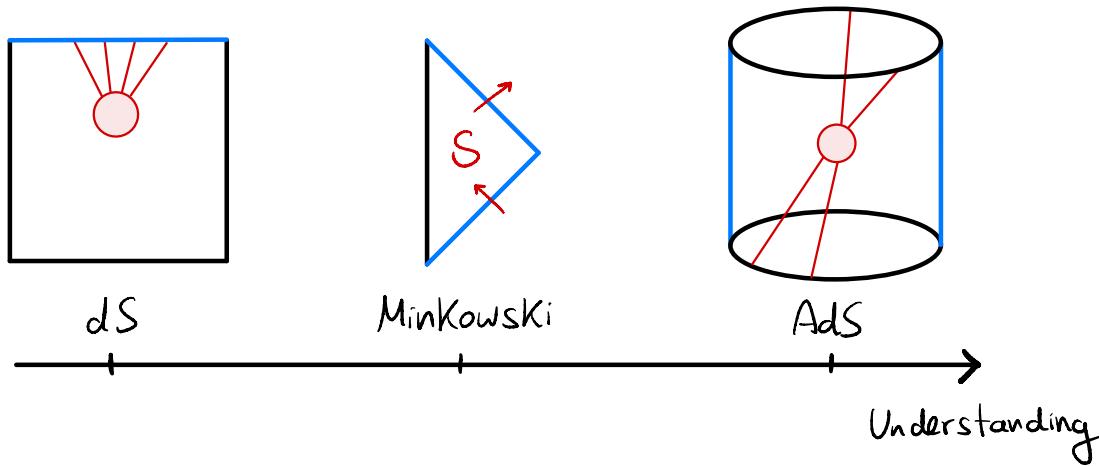
There exist integral/differential operators that transmute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \psi_n^{(\text{flat space})} & \Rightarrow & \psi_n^{(\text{dS})} \\ (\text{simple}) & & (\text{complex}) \end{array}$$

Outlook

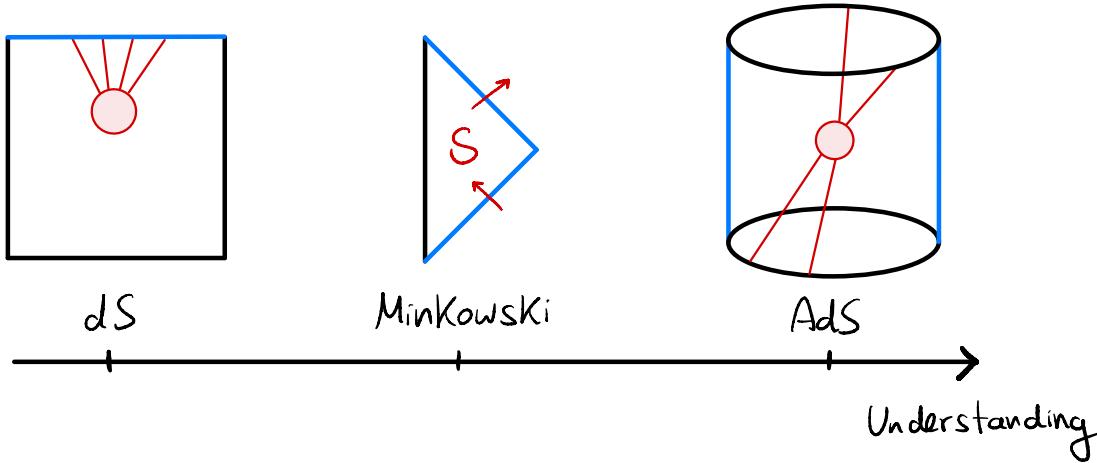


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