

# Climbing Towers & Counting Virtues of the Double-Copy

*Color-dual constraints on effective operators  
& higher-derivatives from flavor and symmetric-structure*

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Carrasco, Lewandowski, NHP [2203.03592, 2211.04441],  
NHP [2210.12800], Carrasco, NHP [2211.04431, 2212.xxxx]



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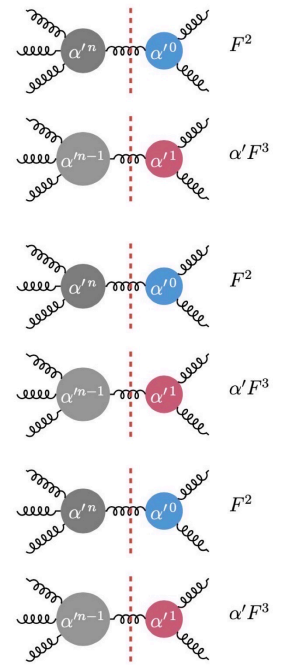
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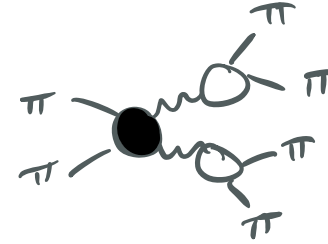
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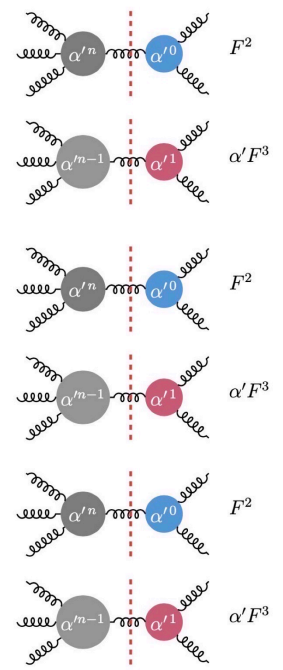
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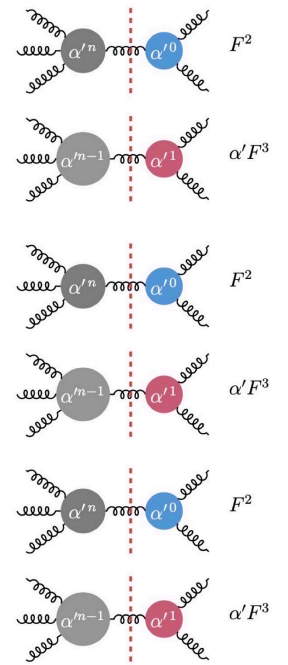
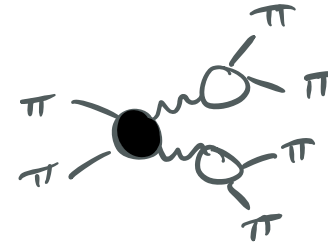
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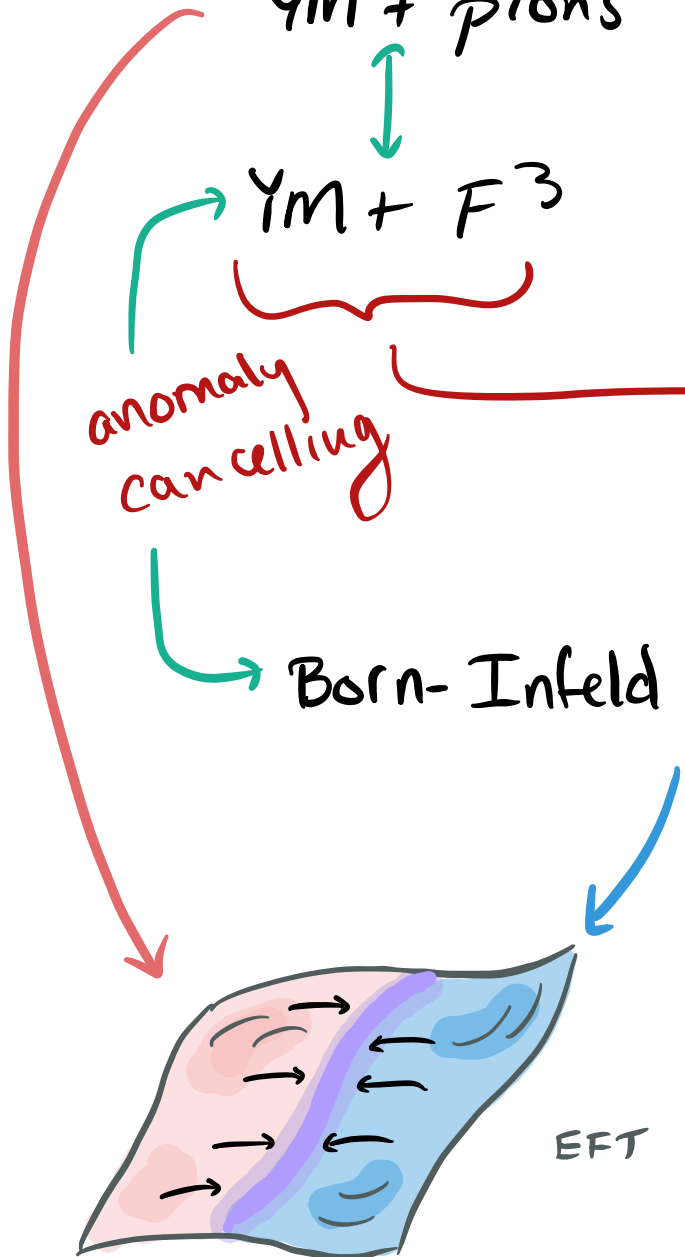
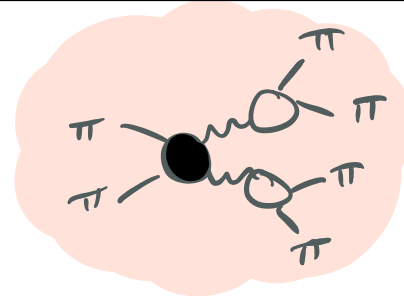
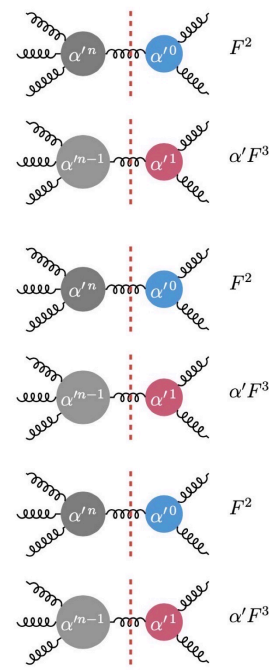
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pheno application

formal interest

$$A^{\text{DBIVA+SG}} = \underbrace{A^{\text{NLSM+YM}}}_{\text{only works if color-dual!}} \otimes A^{\text{sYM}}$$

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Observables for  $\alpha$ -attractor models of inflation

Kalosh, Linde, Ferrara, Carrasco

Matt's talk QMG '21

$$m^2 A^\mu A_\mu \rightarrow \frac{m^2}{g^2} (D^\mu U)(D_\mu U^{-1})$$

Stückelberg,  $\Lambda = \frac{m^2}{g^2}$

massive Yang-Mills color-dual?  
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See afternoon talks!

de Rahm, Gabadadze, Tolley, Johnson, Jones, Paranjape, Gonzalez, Momeni, Rambutis

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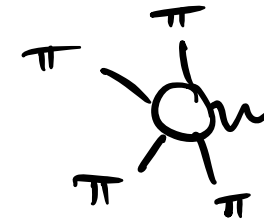
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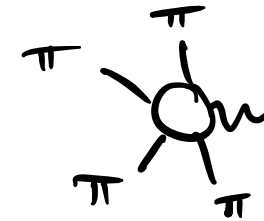


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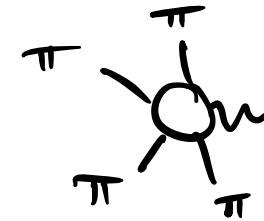
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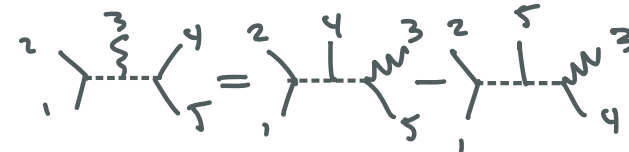
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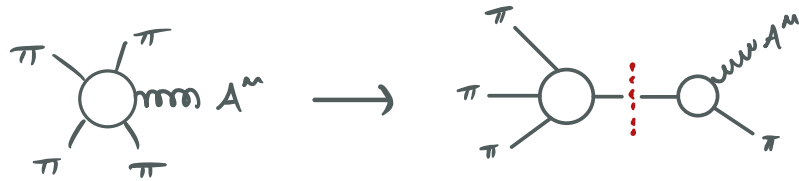
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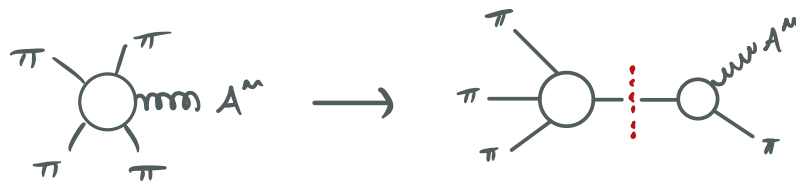


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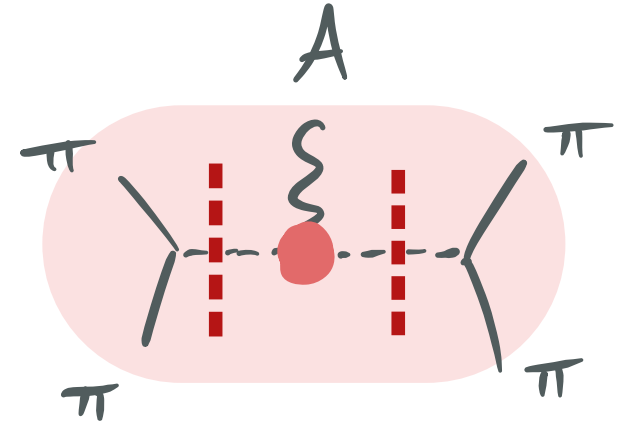
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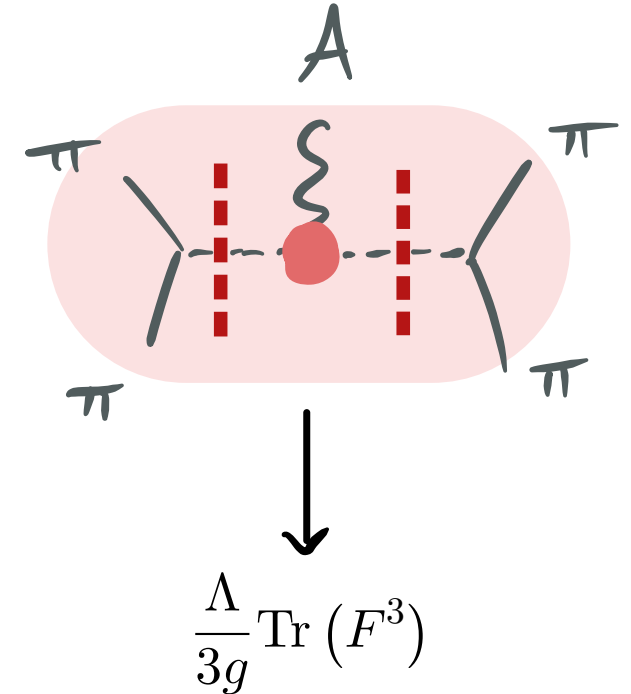
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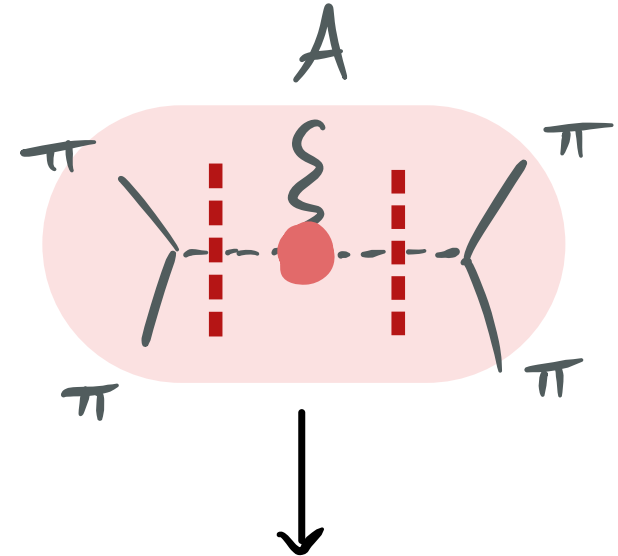
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Now that  $F^3$  has forced itself into conversation...  $\alpha'$  mismatch @ 3-point

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Broedel, Dixon

Garozzo, Quiemada, Schlotterer

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Carrasco, Rodina, Yin, Zekioglu

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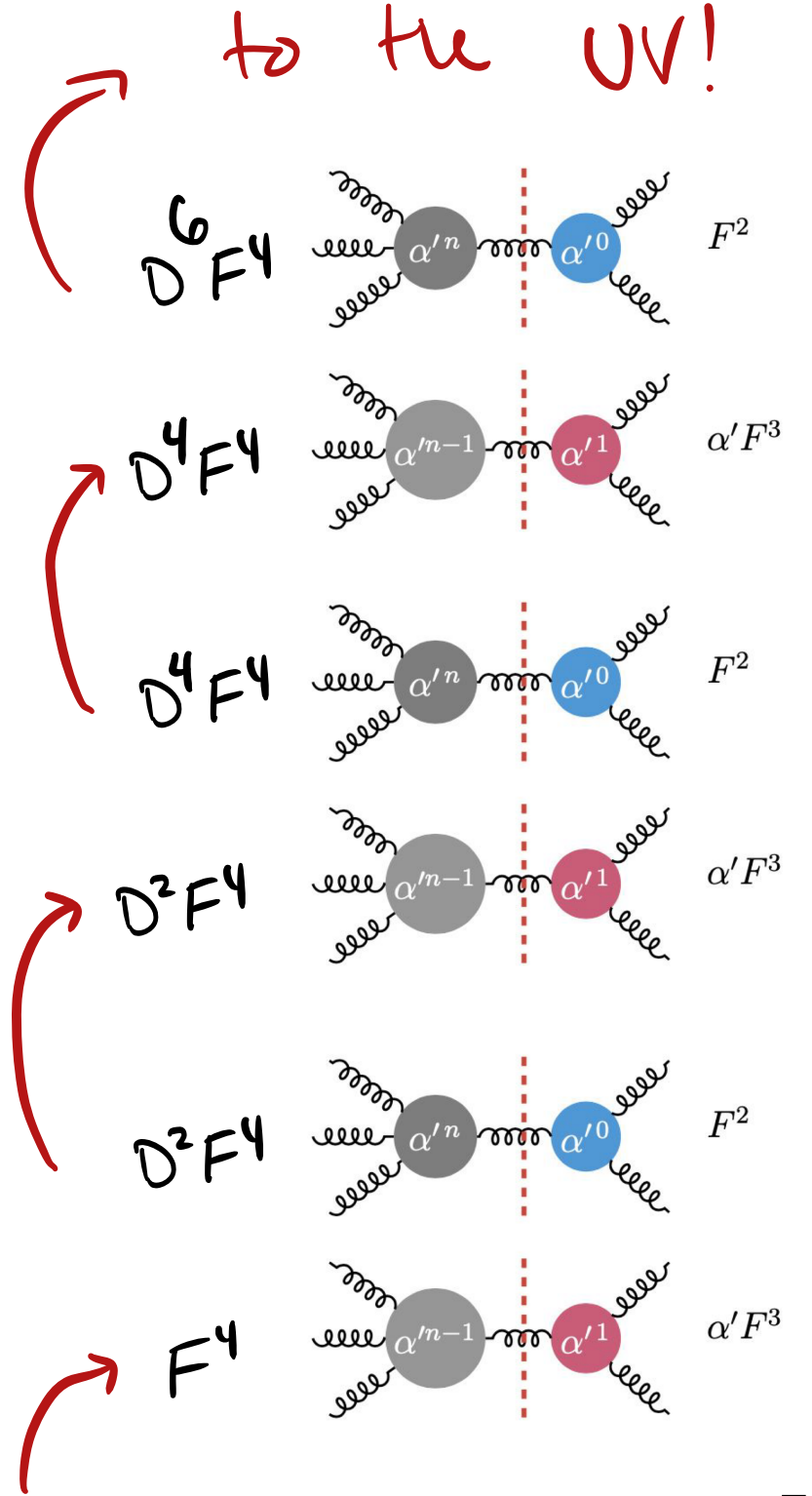
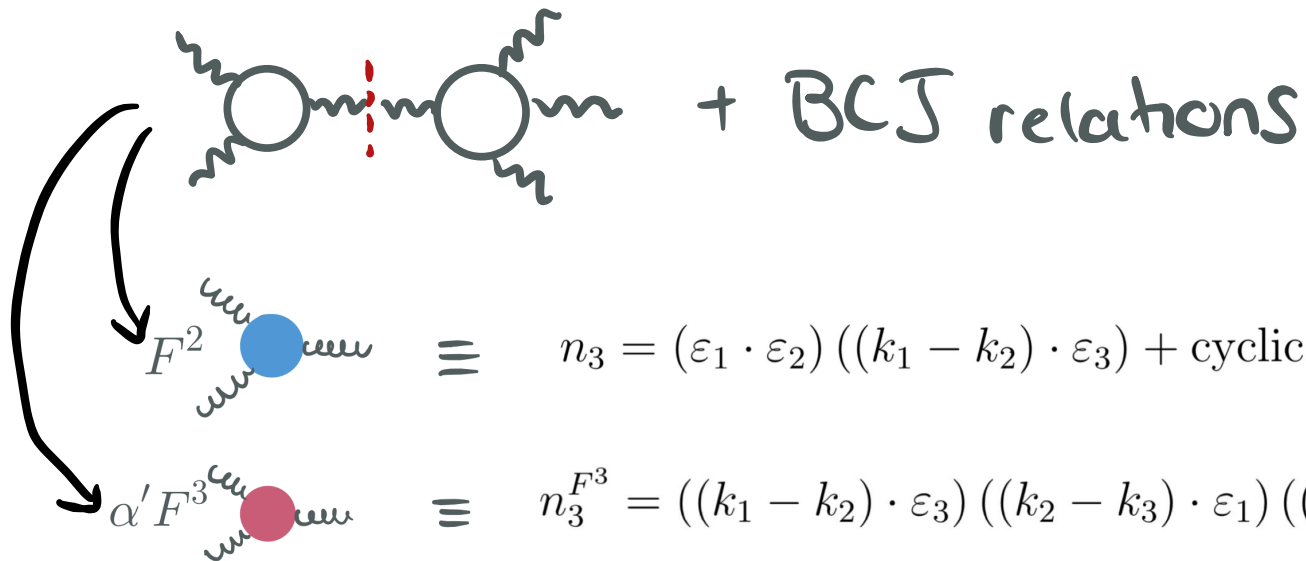
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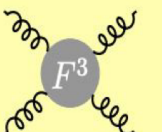
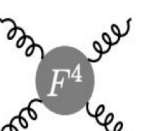

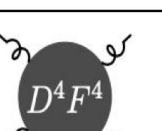
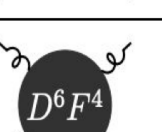


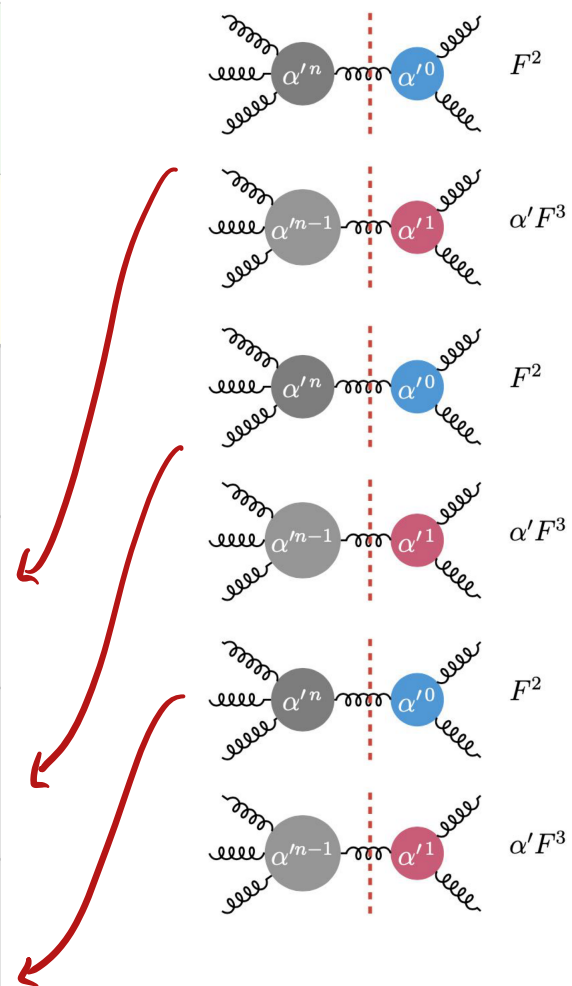
# Structure in Towers

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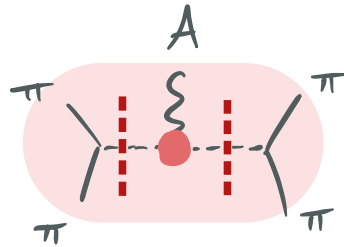
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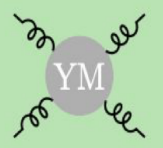


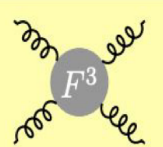
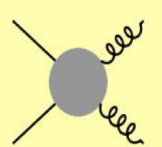

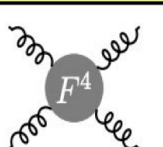
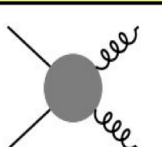
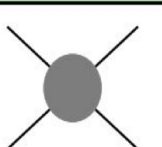
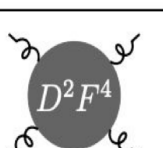
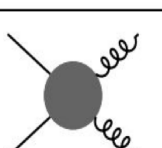
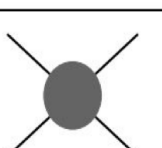

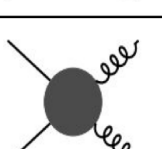
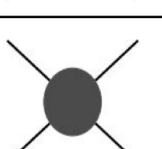
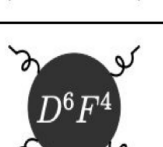
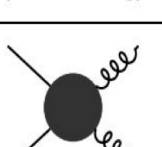
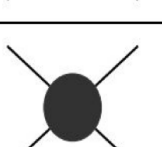
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Carrasco, Lewandowski, NHP [2203.03592]

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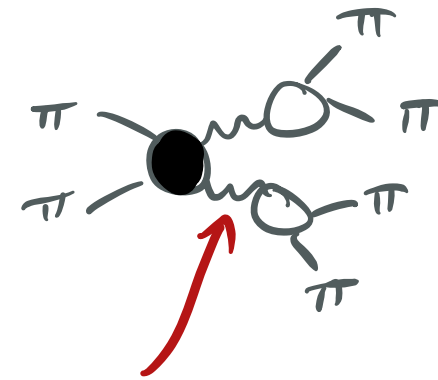
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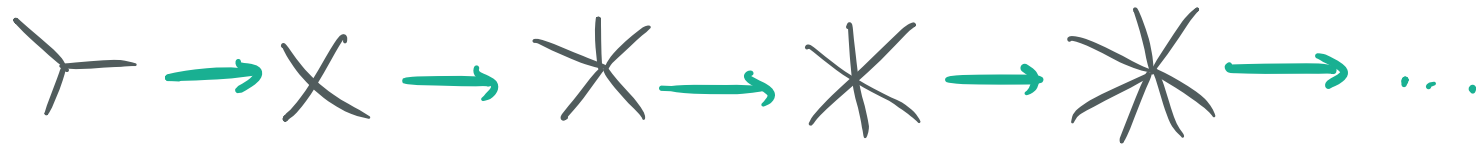
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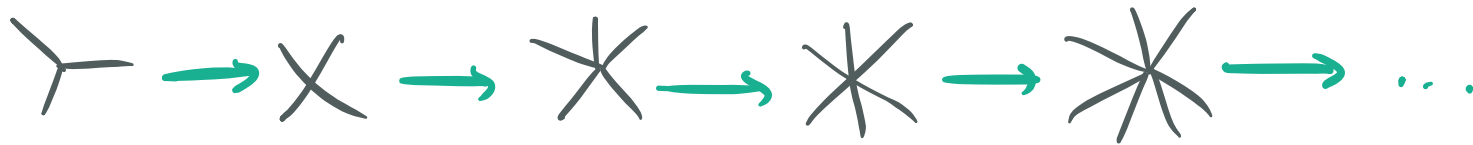
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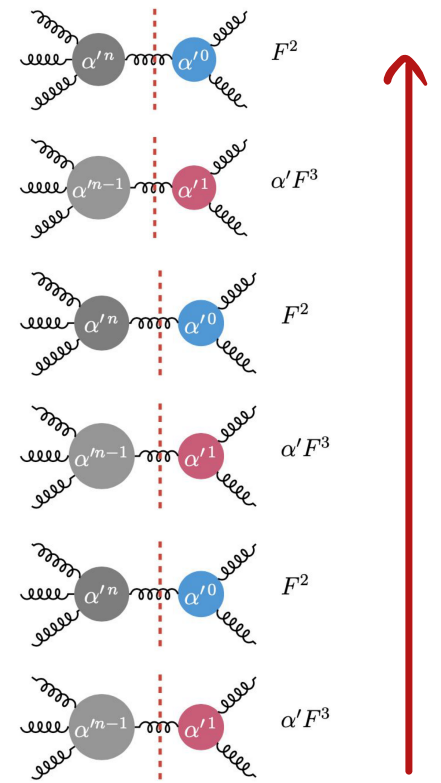
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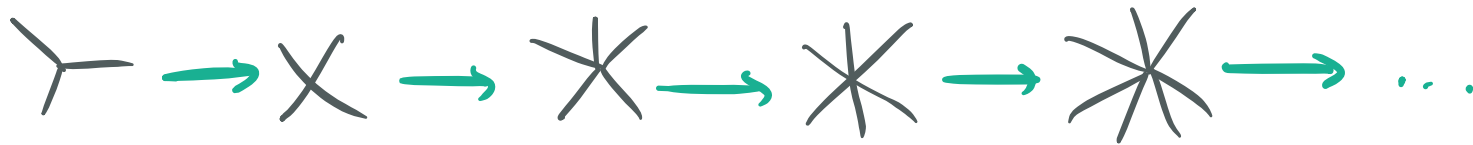


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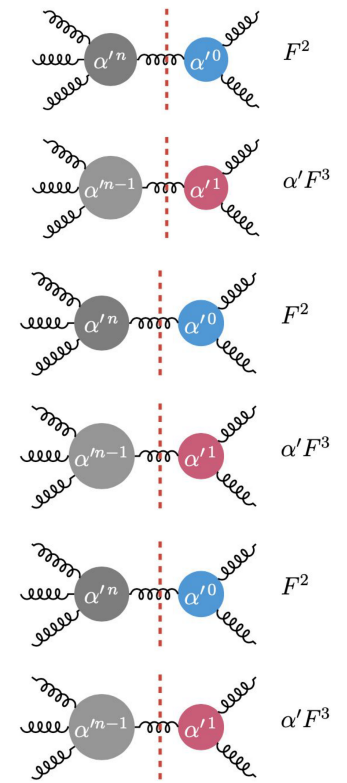
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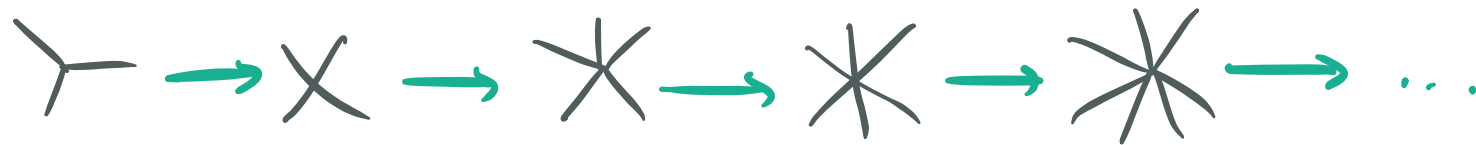


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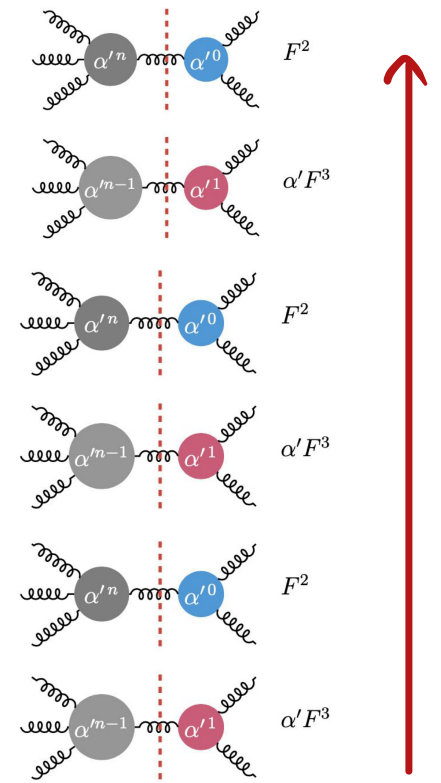


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conformal SG / Heterotic String

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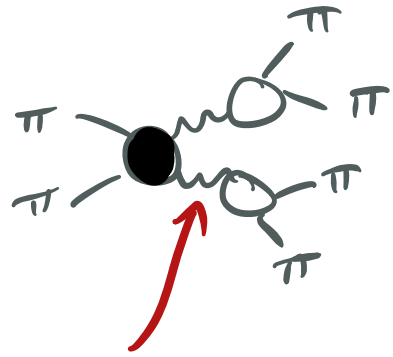
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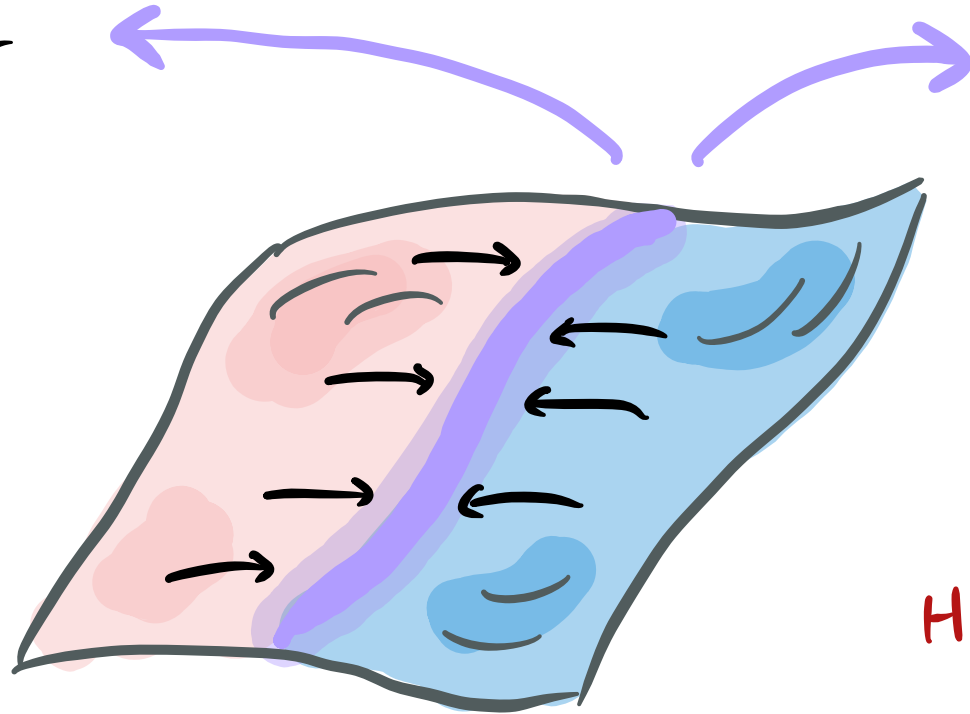


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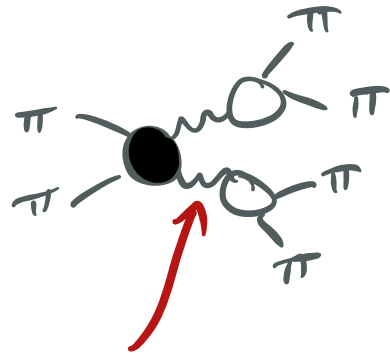
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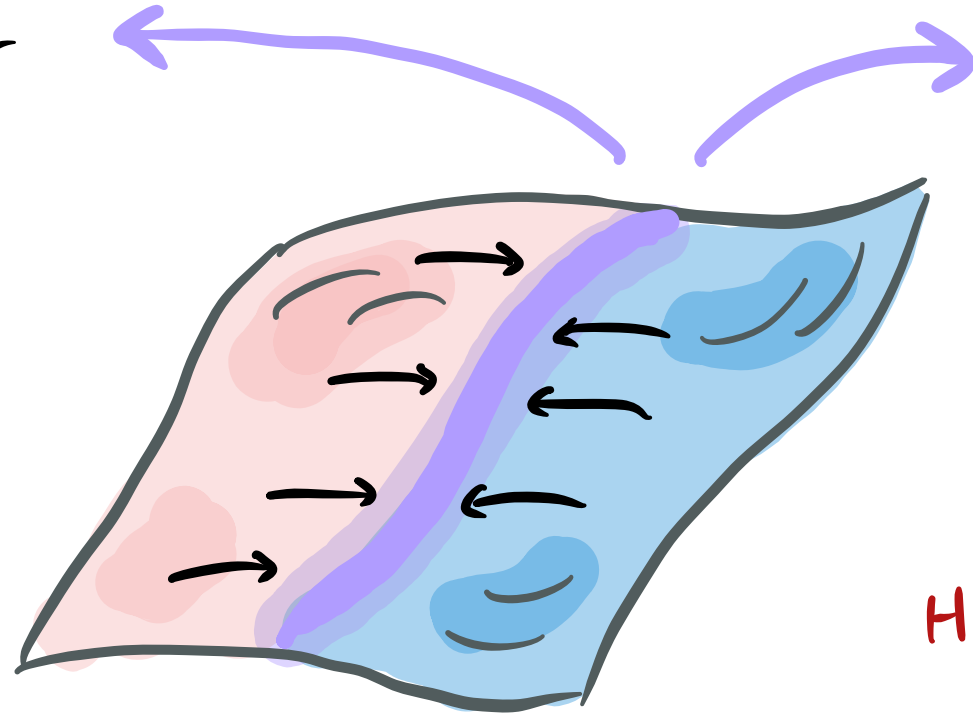


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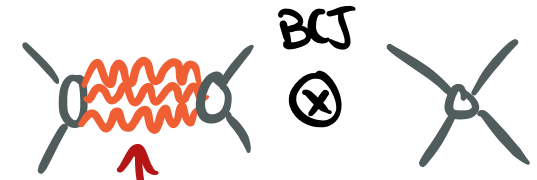
Flavor Kinematics!



NHP [2210.12800]

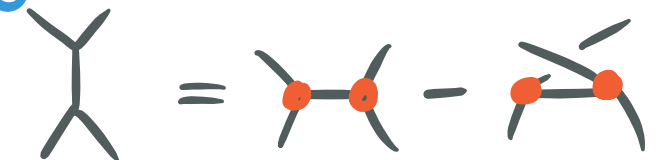


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Symmetric-structure



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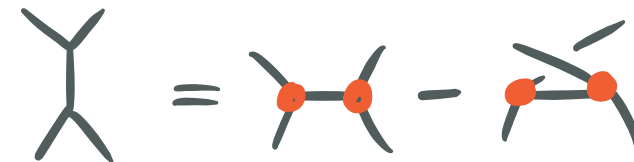
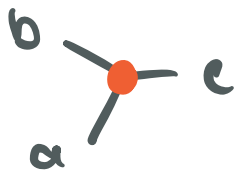
Could also introduce symmetric-structure

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\* verified through 6-point!

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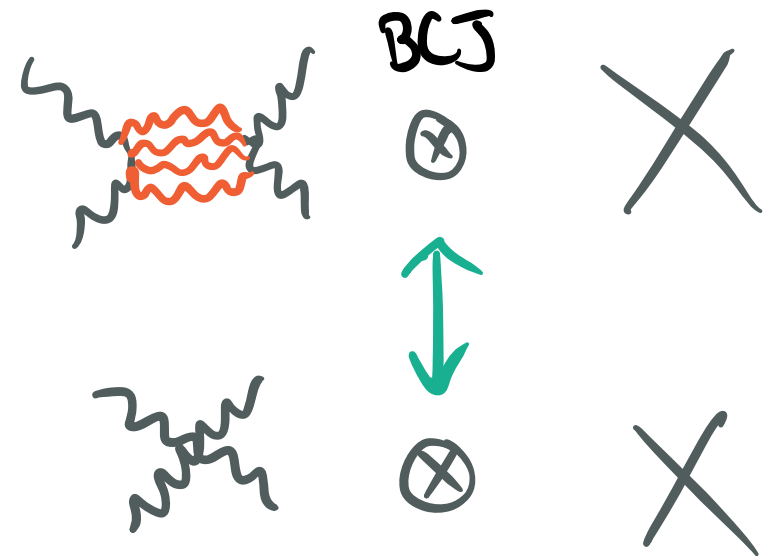
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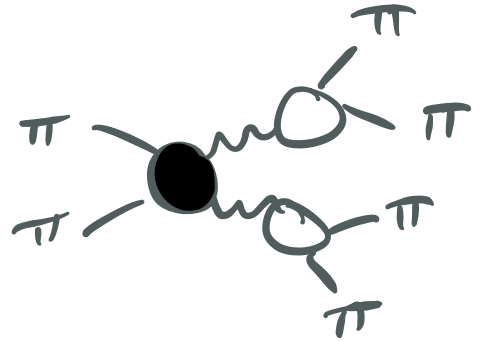
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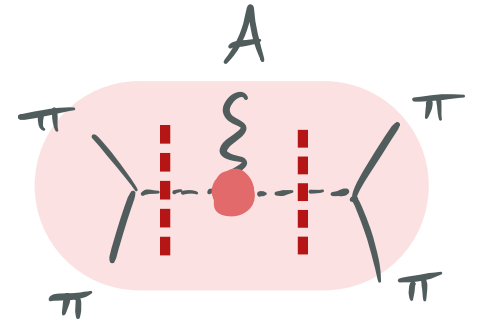


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make this functionally distinct!  
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Idea: Decompose Yang-Mills into color-dual flavor sectors

NHP [2210.12800]

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factors to pions + YM

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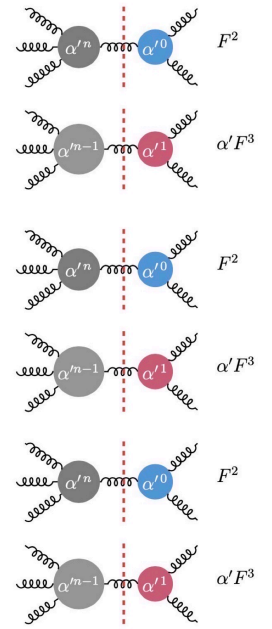
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# Future Directions

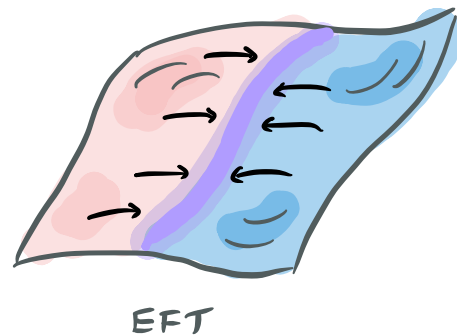
- Are there other HD towers from CK?
- Does  $(DF^2 + YM) \otimes (N=4)$  cancel other higher-loop anomalies?  
↳ Does this cancel 4-loop UV divergence in  $N=4$  SG?
- Can Symmetric structure give flexibility for EFT?  
Inflation? LSS?
- New partial amplitude relations??  $d^3 f^3 + d^3 f^3 + d^3 f^3 = 0$
- Use flavor decomp for HD gravity operators?

# Summary

- $YM + F^3 \Rightarrow (DF^2 + YM + HD)$  } UV tower [2203.03592]
- $YM + NLSM \Rightarrow (DF^2 + YM + HD) | KK$  reduction } @ 4-point [2211.04441]
- BI counterterm from higher-spin  $\otimes$  Adler zero [2211.04431]  
 cancels 2-loop anomaly (loop-integrated) [2212.xxxxx]
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Virtues!



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