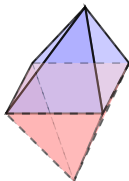


Combinatorics in the Sky (with Diamonds)



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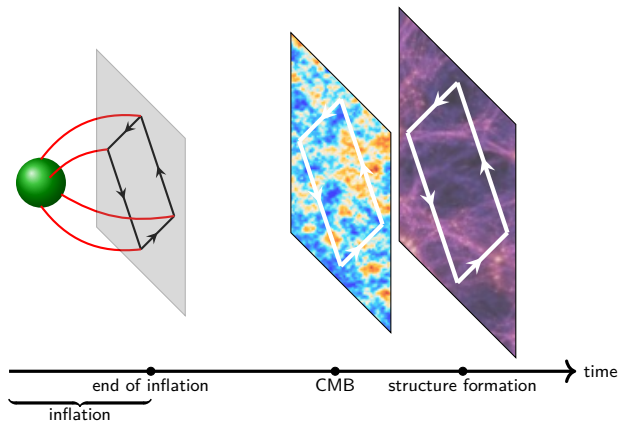
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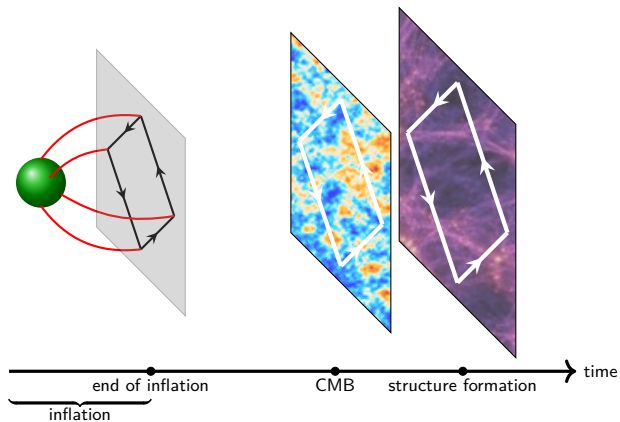
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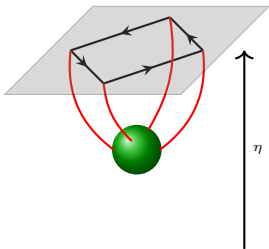
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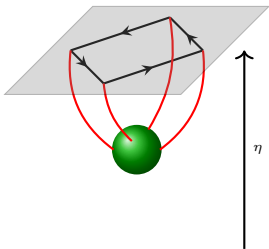
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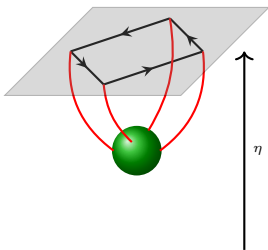


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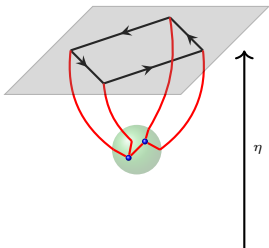
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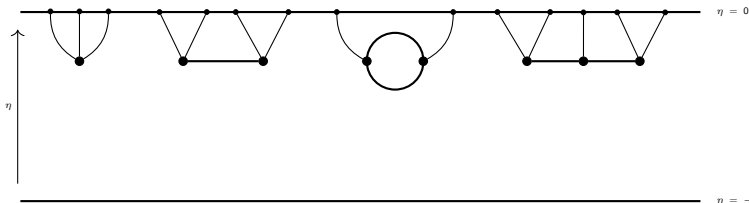


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Perturbation theory



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- 2 What is the imprint of the inflationary physics in the analytic structure of the relevant observables?
- 3 What are the rules governing physical processes at energies as large as $H|_{\text{infl}} \sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV}$?



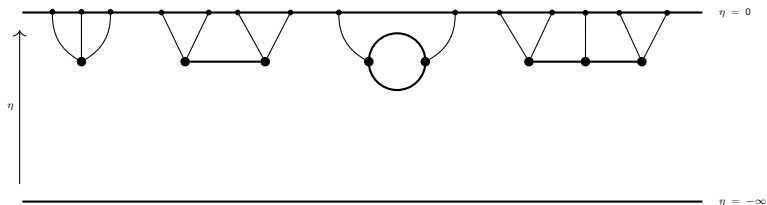
Why Combinatorics?

Deeper understanding of the physics encoded
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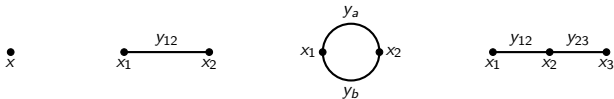
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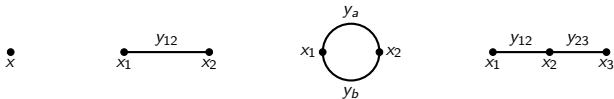
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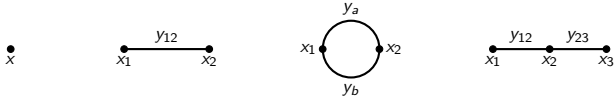
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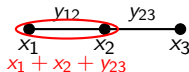
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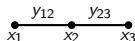
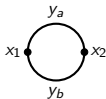
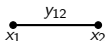
External kinematics: $X_s := \sum_{j \in \mathcal{S}} |\vec{p}^{(j)}|$, $y_e := \left| \sum_{j \in \mathcal{S}_e} \vec{p}^{(j)} \right|$ ($e \in \mathcal{E} \setminus \{\mathcal{E}^{(L)}\}$)

Loop momenta: $y_{e_1} := |\vec{l}|$, $y_{e_2} := |\vec{l} + \vec{p}^{(2)}|$, ... ($e \in \mathcal{E}^{(L)}$)

$$q_g(x, y) := \sum_{s \in \mathcal{V}_g} x_s + \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_g^{\text{ext}}} y_e$$



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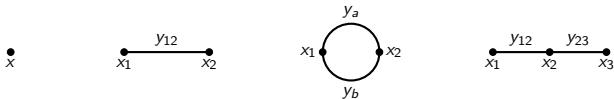
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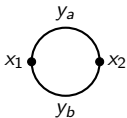
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$$\omega(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{G}}) = \frac{n_{\delta}(x, y)}{\prod_{g \subseteq \mathcal{G}} q_g(x, y)} \frac{\prod_{s \in \mathcal{V}} dx_s \prod_{e \in \mathcal{E}} dy_e}{\text{Vol}\{GL(1)\}}$$



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(Weighted) cosmological polytopes capture the singularity structure of $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{G}}$



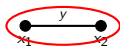
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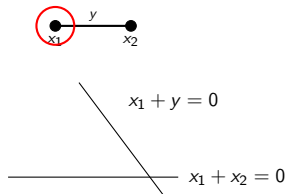


$$x_1 + x_2 = 0$$



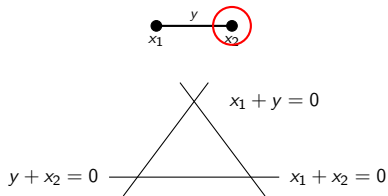
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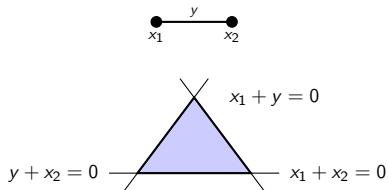
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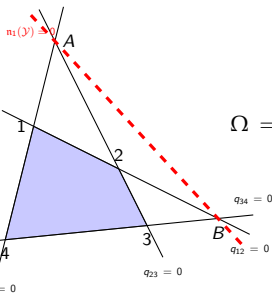
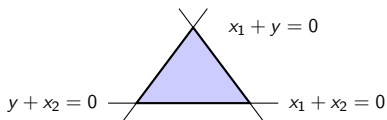
The singularities form a bounded region to which a function Ω is naturally associated

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{(x_1 + x_2)(x_1 + y)(y + x_2)} \equiv \frac{n_\delta}{qg q_{g1} q_{g2}}$$



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Triangulation of the polytope
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Representation for the integrand

(Weighted) Cosmological Polytopes & \mathcal{I}_G : A dictionary

Cosmological Polytope \mathcal{P}_G

Canonical form ω

Triangulations

Boundaries (Faces)

Canonical form preserving transformations

Paths along contiguous vertices

Cosmological Integral \mathcal{I}_G

Integrand of \mathcal{I}_G

Representations for the integrand

Residues of the integrands

Symmetries of the integrand

Symbols for \mathcal{I}_G



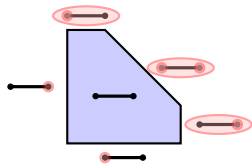
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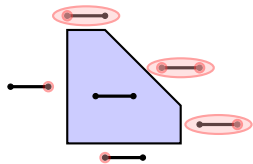


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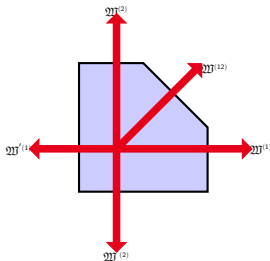


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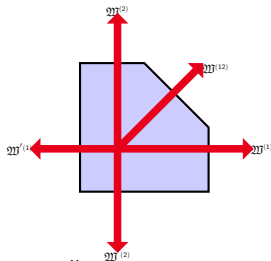
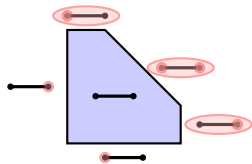
$$\mathfrak{W}^{(j_1 \dots j_{n_s^{(g)}})} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^{(j_1 \dots j_{n_s^{(g)}})} \\ \mathbf{e}_{(j_1 \dots j_{n_s^{(g)}})} \end{pmatrix}$$

The integral diverges in the direction ϵ if the related λ is ≥ 0

$$\lambda^{(j_1 \dots j_{n_s^{(g)}})} = n_s^{(g)} \alpha - (\text{tubings})$$

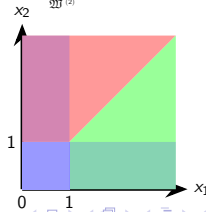
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E.g.: if $\lambda^{(12)} \rightarrow 0$: sector decomposition

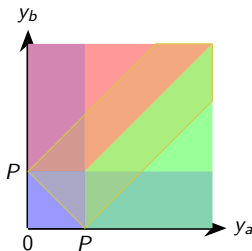
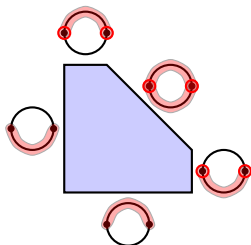
$$\mathcal{I}_{\Delta_{j,12}}^{\text{div}} = \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_j}{\zeta_j} \frac{(\zeta_j)^{-\lambda^{(j)}}}{1 + \zeta_j} \times \int_0^1 \frac{d\zeta_{12}}{\zeta_{12}} (\zeta_{12})^{-\lambda^{(12)}}$$



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$$\times \frac{2(x_1 + x_2 + y_a + y_b + \mathcal{X}_G)}{(x_1 + x_2 + \mathcal{X}_G)(x_1 + x_2 + y_a + \mathcal{X}_G)(x_1 + x_2 + y_b + \mathcal{X}_G)(x_1 + y_a + y_b + \mathcal{X}_1)(x_2 + y_a + y_b + \mathcal{X}_2)}$$



First clues on constraints on cosmological processes:
perturbative unitarity, flat-space limit,
factorisations, higher-codimensions singularities

General framework to have a direct formulation
with IR safe observables

Combinatorics allows to recast physical questions into
easier mathematical questions
SOMETHING TO SAY FOR LSS?