

Spinor helicity formalism and (super)amplitudes of $D = 11$ supergravity and $D = 10$ SYM theory

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- Recent years we are witnesses of a great progress in amplitude calculations (including multiloop amplitudes; see reviews [Bern, Carrasco, Dixon, Johansson and Roiban, Fortsch.Phys. 2011], [Benincasa, Int.J.Mod.Phys. A 2014], and refs. therein) an important part of which is related to the use of **twistor-like and (super)twistor methods**, and with BCFW approach first developed for tree gluon amplitudes in [R. Britto, F. Cachazo, B. Feng and E. Witten, PRL2005] (see also [Britto, Cachazo, Feng, NPB05])
- and generalized for tree and loop *superamplitudes* of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM and $\mathcal{N} = 8$ SG in
 - Arkani-Hamed, Cachazo, Kaplan, JHEP 2010 [arXiv:0808.1446[hep-th]],
 - Brandhuber, Heslop, Travaglini, PRD 2008 [arXiv:0807.4097 [hep-th]].

- The list of important papers in this direction certainly includes
 - Bianchi, Elvang, D. Freedman, JHEP 2008 [arXiv:0805.0757 [hep-th]],
 - Drummond, Henn, Korchemsky, E. Sokatchev, NPB 2010 [arXiv:0807.1095],
 - Drummond, Henn, Plefka, JHEP 2010 [arXiv:0902.2987 [hep-th]],
 and many others... (Sorry for missed references!)

Main elements used in the D=4 superamplitude calculations are, schematically,

- spinor helicity variables (essentially four dimensional!)
- on-shell superfields
- superamplitudes=superfield description of the amplitudes=multiparticle generalization of the on-shell superfields

Higher D generalizations of BCFW

- [Cheung and O'Connell JHEP 2009] generalization to $D=6$.
- For $D=10$: [Caron-Huot+ O'Connell JHEP 10]: i) $D=10$ spinor helicity formalism and ii) "Clifford superfield" description of tree $D=10$ SYM superamplitudes (quite non minimal and it is not easy to use it).
- The spinor helicity formalism from [Caron-Huot and O'Connell JHEP 2010] was mainly used in the context of type IIB supergravity: [Boels, O'Connell, JHEP 12, Boels PRL 12, Wang, Yin, PRD 15].
- In this talk, based on Phys.Rev.Lett.118(2017) [arXiv:1605.00036], arXiv:1705.nnnnn and [paper in prep.], we describe the generalization of the spinor helicity formalism, on-shell superfield description and the BCFW relations for $D=11$ SUGRA and $D=10$ SYM superamplitudes.
- Actually we have proposed (and are elaborating) two approaches
 - Constrained superamplitude formalism and
 - almost unconstrained analytic superamplitude formalism.

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- In more details:
- The starting point of this work was the observation that 10D spinor helicity variables of [Caron-Huot+O'Connell 2010] can be identified with
 - **spinor moving frame variables** [Bandos, Zheltukhin 91-95], [Bandos, Nurmagambetov 96], ... or, equivalently, with
 - **D=10 Lorentz harmonics** [Galperin, Howe, Stelle 91, Galperin, Delduc, Sokatchev 91]
 - This observation was made independently in [Uvarov CQG 2016, arXiv:1506.01881] and used their to develop 5D spinor helicity formalism.
- This allowed us
 - to find immediately the **spinor helicity formalism for 11D amplitudes**
 - to propose a **simpler constrained superfield formalism for superamplitudes of D=10 SYM** (constrained superfields versus Clifford superfields).
 - and to develop the **constrained superamplitude formalism for $D = 11$ SUGRA**.
 - To propose the **BCFW relations for 10D and 11D superamplitudes**
- To find an almost unconstrained **analytic superamplitude formalism for $D = 11$ SUGRA and 10D SYM** [1705.nnnnn].

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Bosonic spinors and spinor helicity formalism.

- In the spinor helicity formalism for D=4 amplitudes

$$\mathcal{A}(1, \dots, n) := \mathcal{A}(p_{(1)}, \varepsilon_{(1)}; \dots; p_{(n)}, \varepsilon_{(n)}) = \mathcal{A}(\lambda_{(1)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(1)}; \dots; \lambda_{(n)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(n)}) .$$

the (light-like) momenta $p_{\mu(i)}$ and polarizations of the external particles are described by the bosonic Weyl spinors $\lambda_{(i)}^A = (\bar{\lambda}_{(i)}^{\dot{A}})^*$. In particular,

$$p_{\mu(i)} \sigma_{A\dot{A}}^\mu = 2\lambda_{A(i)} \bar{\lambda}_{\dot{A}(i)} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad p_{\mu(i)} = \lambda_{(i)} \sigma_{\mu} \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}, \quad \mu = 0, \dots, 3$$

where $\sigma_{A\dot{A}}^\mu$ are relativistic Pauli matrices, $A = 1, 2, \dot{A} = 1, 2$, and

$$\sigma_{A\dot{A}}^\mu \sigma_{\mu B\dot{B}} \equiv 2\epsilon_{AB} \epsilon_{\dot{A}\dot{B}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad p_{\mu i} p_i^\mu = 0 .$$

- Introducing $\langle ij \rangle \equiv \langle \lambda_{(i)} \lambda_{(j)} \rangle = \epsilon_{AB} \lambda_{(i)}^A \lambda_{(j)}^B$, $[ij] := [\bar{\lambda}_{(i)} \bar{\lambda}_{(j)}] = \epsilon_{\dot{A}\dot{B}} \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}^{\dot{A}} \bar{\lambda}_{(j)}^{\dot{B}}$
- the simplest MHV amplitude [Parke & Taylor, PRL86] reads

$$\mathcal{A}^{MHV}(1, \dots, n) = \delta^4 \left(\sum_i \lambda_{A(i)} \bar{\lambda}_{\dot{A}(i)} \right) \frac{\langle ij \rangle^4}{\langle 12 \rangle \dots \langle (n-1)n \rangle \langle n1 \rangle}$$

where the i -th and j -th particles are assumed to be of negative helicity.

Helicity

- The amplitude should obey the *helicity constraints*,

$$\hat{h}_{(i)} \mathcal{A}(1, \dots, n) = h_i \mathcal{A}(1, \dots, n),$$

where h_i is the helicity of the state, $h_i = \pm 1$ in the case of gluons, and

$$2\hat{h}_{(i)} := -\lambda_{(i)}^A \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_{(i)}^A} + \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}^{\dot{A}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}^{\dot{A}}}.$$

- Thus the n -particle amplitudes are also characterized by n helicities. For gluons these are ± 1 and the amplitude carries n sign indices,

$$\mathcal{A}(1, \dots, n) = \mathcal{A}^{-\dots-\dots+\dots+}(1, \dots, n).$$

- It can be shown that $\mathcal{A}^{+\dots+}(1, \dots, n) = 0$, $\mathcal{A}^{-\dots-}(1, \dots, n) = 0$,
- so that the simplest *maximal helicity violation (MHV)* amplitude is

$$\mathcal{A}^{MHV}(1, \dots, n) = \mathcal{A}^{+\dots+-_i+\dots+-_j+\dots+}(1, \dots, n) = \frac{\delta^4 \left(\sum_i \lambda_{A(i)} \bar{\lambda}_{\dot{A}(i)} \right) \langle ij \rangle^4}{\langle 12 \rangle \dots \langle n1 \rangle}$$

BCFW deformations

- The BCFW recursion relations

$$\mathcal{A}_n = \sum_{\mathcal{I}, h} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{I}}^h \frac{1}{P_{\mathcal{I}}^2} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{J}}^{-h}, \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{I} \cup \mathcal{J} = (1, \dots, n)$$

use the on-shell amplitudes depending on the deformed spinors, say

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{(n)}^A \mapsto \widehat{\lambda}_{(n)}^A &= \lambda_{(n)}^A + z \lambda_{(1)}^A, & \bar{\lambda}_{(n)}^{\dot{A}} \mapsto \widehat{\bar{\lambda}}_{(n)}^{\dot{A}} &= \bar{\lambda}_{(n)}^{\dot{A}}, \\ \lambda_{(1)}^A \mapsto \widehat{\lambda}_{(1)}^A &= \lambda_{(1)}^A, & \bar{\lambda}_{(1)}^{\dot{A}} \mapsto \widehat{\bar{\lambda}}_{(1)}^{\dot{A}} &= \bar{\lambda}_{(1)}^{\dot{A}} - z \bar{\lambda}_{(n)}^{\dot{A}}, \end{aligned}$$

- which implies the deformation of 1st and n-th momenta

$$\begin{aligned} p_{(n)}^a \mapsto \widehat{p}_{(n)}^a(z) &= p_{(n)}^a + z q^a, & p_{(1)}^a \mapsto \widehat{p}_{(1)}^a(z) &= p_{(1)}^a - z \bar{q}^a, \\ q^a q_a &= 0, & p_{(n)}^a q_a &= 0, & p_{(1)}^a q_a &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The deformed momenta are generically complex but remain light-like,

$$\widehat{p}_{(n)}^a \widehat{p}_{(n)a} = 0, \quad \widehat{p}_{(1)}^a \widehat{p}_{(1)a} = 0.$$

BCFW recurrent relations. Explicit form.

- The BCFW recurrent relations for tree amplitudes of D=4 gluons read

$$\mathcal{A}^{(n)}(p_1, p_2, \dots; p_n) = \sum_h \sum_l^n \mathcal{A}_h^{(l+1)}(\widehat{p}_1(z_l); p_2; \dots; p_l; \widehat{P}_{\Sigma_l}(z_l)) \times \frac{1}{(P_{\Sigma_l})^2} \mathcal{A}_{-h}^{(n-l+1)}(-\widehat{P}_{\Sigma_l}(z_l), p_{l+1}; \dots; \widehat{p}_n(z_l)),$$

where h is the helicity of intermediate state with $\widehat{P}_{\Sigma_l}(z_l)$,

$$P_{\Sigma_l}^a = - \sum_{m=1}^l p_m^a \quad \text{and} \quad \widehat{P}_{\Sigma_l}^a(z) = - \sum_{m=1}^l \widehat{p}_m^a(z)$$

- \sum_l is the sum over l and over distributions of particles among $\mathcal{A}_{\pm h}^{\{(l+1), (n-l+1)\}}$.
- The specific l -dependent value of the complex parameter z ,

$$z_l := P_{\Sigma_l}^a P_{\Sigma_l a} / 2 P_{\Sigma_l}^b q_b$$

- is such that $\boxed{(\widehat{P}_{\Sigma_l}^a(z_l))^2 = 0} \Rightarrow$ r.h.s. contains on-shell amplitudes.

Superamplitudes and on-shell superfields for $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM and $\mathcal{N} = 8$ SUGRA

- One can also collect the n-particle amplitudes of the fields of SYM (SUGRA) in the superfield amplitude (superamplitude)

$$\mathcal{A}(1; \dots; n) = \mathcal{A}(\lambda_{(1)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(1)}, \eta_{(1)}; \dots; \lambda_{(n)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(n)}, \eta_{(n)}) ,$$

depending on n fermionic $\eta_{(i)}^q = (\bar{\eta}_{q(i)})^*$ in fundamental rep. of $SU(4)$ ($SU(8)$), $q = 1, \dots, 4$ (...8).

- This is possible because the on-shell states of the maximal SYM (SUGRA) multiplet can be collected in an **on-shell superfield**

$$\Phi(\lambda, \bar{\lambda}, \eta^q) = f^{(-s)} + \eta^q \chi_q + \frac{1}{2} \eta^q \eta^p S_{pq} + \dots + \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}!} \eta_1^q \dots \eta_{\mathcal{N}}^q \epsilon_{q_1 \dots q_{\mathcal{N}}} f^{(+s)} ,$$

chiral superfield on an *on-shell superspace* of super-helicity $s = \frac{\mathcal{N}}{4}$,

$$\boxed{\hat{h}\Phi(\lambda, \bar{\lambda}, \eta^q) = s\Phi(\lambda, \bar{\lambda}, \eta^q)} , \quad \hat{h} := -\frac{1}{2} \lambda^A \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda^A} + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\lambda}^{\dot{A}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\lambda}^{\dot{A}}} + \frac{1}{2} \eta^q \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta^q} .$$

- The $\mathcal{N} = 4$ (8) superamplitudes obey n superhelicity constraints

$$\hat{h}_{(i)} \mathcal{A}(\{\lambda_{(j)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(j)}, \eta_{(j)}^q\}) = s \mathcal{A}(\{\lambda_{(j)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(j)}, \eta_{(j)}^q\}) , \quad s = \frac{\mathcal{N}}{4} .$$

The power of superamplitudes for $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM

- SUSY Ward identities $Q_{Aq}\mathcal{A}(\{\lambda_{(i)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}, \eta_{(i)}^q\}) = 0$, $\bar{Q}_A^q\mathcal{A}(\dots) = 0$ immediately imply that

$$\mathcal{A}^{+\dots+}(\{\lambda_{(i)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}\}) = \int \prod_i d^{\mathcal{N}}\eta_i \mathcal{A}(\{\lambda_{(i)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}, \eta_{(i)}^q\}) = 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{+\dots+-}(\{\lambda_{(i)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}\}) = \int \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} d^{\mathcal{N}}\eta_i d^{\mathcal{N}}\bar{\eta}_n \mathcal{A}(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_{(n-1)}, \bar{\eta}_n) = 0$$

- and also fix the form of tree MHV superamplitude of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM

$$\mathcal{A}^{MHV}(\{\lambda_{(i)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}, \eta_{(i)}^q\}) = \propto \frac{\delta^4(\sum_i \lambda_i \sigma^a \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}) \delta^{2\mathcal{N}}(\sum_i \lambda_{(i)}^A \eta_{(i)}^q)}{\langle 12 \rangle \dots \langle n1 \rangle}$$

[Nair, PLB 1988].

- The MHV amplitude can be obtained from MHV superamplitude as

$$\mathcal{A}^{+\dots+--}(\{\lambda_{(i)}, \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}\}) = \int \prod_{i=1}^{n-2} d^{\mathcal{N}}\eta_i d^{\mathcal{N}}\bar{\eta}_{(n-1)} d^{\mathcal{N}}\bar{\eta}_n \mathcal{A}(\eta_1, \dots, \bar{\eta}_{(n-1)}, \bar{\eta}_n)$$

BCFW relations for superamplitudes

- In the BCFW-like recurrent relations for tree superamplitudes of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM and $\mathcal{N} = 8$ supergravity [Brandhuber, Heslop, Travaglini, PRD 2008, Arkani-Hamed, Cachazo, Kaplan, JHEP 2010].

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A}^{(n)}(k_1, \eta_1; \dots; k_n, \eta_n) &= \\
 &= \sum_l \int d^{\mathcal{N}} \eta \mathcal{A}_{z_l}^{(l+1)}(\widehat{k}_1, \widehat{\eta}_1; k_2, \eta_2; \dots; k_l, \eta_l; \widehat{P}_{\Sigma_l}(z_l), \eta) \frac{1}{(P_{\Sigma_l})^2} \times \\
 &\quad \times \mathcal{A}_{z_l}^{(n-l+1)}(-\widehat{P}_{\Sigma_l}(z_l), \eta; k_{l+1}, \eta_{(l+1)}; \dots; k_{n-1}, \eta_{n-1}; \widehat{k}_n, \widehat{\eta}_n) .
 \end{aligned}$$

- the deformations of the bosonic spinors

$$\widehat{\lambda}_{(n)}^A = \lambda_{(n)}^A + z \lambda_{(1)}^A, \quad \widehat{\bar{\lambda}}_{(1)}^{\dot{A}} = \bar{\lambda}_{(1)}^{\dot{A}} - z \bar{\lambda}_{(n)}^{\dot{A}},$$

- is supplemented by the deformation of fermionic $\eta^q = (\bar{\eta}_q)^*$,

$$\widehat{\eta}_{(n)}^q(z) = \eta_{(n)}^q + z \eta_{(1)}^q, \quad \widehat{\eta}_{(1)}^q(z) = \eta_{(1)}^q .$$

- New issues (w/r to bosonic BCFW): i) $\sum_h \mapsto \int d^{\mathcal{N}} \eta$, and

ii) $\widehat{\eta}_{(n)}^q(z) = \eta_{(n)}^q + z \eta_{(1)}^q$ which mixes gluon and gluino amplitudes.

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Spinor moving frame in D=11

- In D=4: $\rho_{\mu(i)} \sigma_{AA}^{\mu} = 2\lambda_{A(i)} \bar{\lambda}_{\dot{A}(i)} \Leftrightarrow \rho_{\mu(i)} = \lambda_{(i)} \sigma_{\mu} \bar{\lambda}_{(i)}$.
- Similarly, the light-like k_a of a massless 11D particle can be expressed by

$$\boxed{k_a \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a = 2\rho^{\#} v_{\alpha q}^- v_{\beta q}^-}, \quad \boxed{\rho^{\#} v_q^- \tilde{\Gamma}_a v_p^- = k_a \delta_{qp}},$$

in terms of 'energy variable' $\rho^{\#}$ and

- a set of 16 **constrained** bosonic 32-component spinors $v_{\alpha q}^-$, $q, p = 1, \dots, 16, \alpha = 1, \dots, 32$ which can be identified with
 - D=11 spinor moving frame variables** [Bandos, Zheeltukhin 92, Bandos 2006-2007]
 - 11D Lorentz harmonics** [Galperin, Howe, Townsend NPB 93].
- Essentially, the constraints on $v_{\alpha q}^-$ are given by the above equations supplemented by $\boxed{v_{\alpha q}^- C^{\alpha\beta} v_{\beta p}^- = 0}$,
- and by the requirement that the rank of 32×16 matrix $v_{\alpha q}^-$ is = 16.

Spinor moving frame variables in D=11

- One can show that (roughly speaking) in the theory with local $SO(1, 1) \otimes SO(9)$ symmetry, $\boxed{v_{\alpha q}^-}$ obeying the above constraints

$$u_a^- \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a = 2\rho^\# v_{\alpha q}^- v_{\beta q}^-, \quad v_q^- \tilde{\Gamma}_a v_{\rho}^- = u_a^- \delta_{qp}, \quad v_{\alpha q}^- C^{\alpha\beta} v_{\beta q}^- = 0$$

($u_a^- \equiv k_a / \rho^\#$) can be considered as homogeneous coordinates on \mathbb{S}^9 , the celestial sphere of a D=11 observer,

$$\boxed{\{v_{\alpha q}^-\} = \mathbb{S}^9}. \quad \left(\mathbb{S}^9 = \frac{SO(1, 10)}{[SO(1, 1) \otimes SO(9)] \ltimes K_9} \right)$$

Spinor moving frame and spinor helicity formalism

- One can check that, due to the above constraints the momentum k_a ($= \rho^\# u_a^-$) is light-like $\boxed{k_a k^a = 0}$
- and that $v_{\alpha q}^-$ and $v_q^{-\alpha} = -iC^{\alpha\beta} v_{\beta q}^-$ obey the Dirac equations

$$k_a \tilde{\Gamma}^{a\alpha\beta} v_{\beta q}^- = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad k_a \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a v_q^{-\beta} = 0.$$

11D Spinor helicity formalism

- The 11D counterpart of the 10D spinor helicity variables of Caron-Huot and O'Connell are $\lambda_{\alpha q} = \sqrt{\rho^\#} v_{\alpha q}^-$;
- the 11D counterpart of the polarization spinor of the fermionic field is $\lambda_q^\alpha = \sqrt{\rho^\#} v_q^{-\alpha} = -iC^{\alpha\beta} \lambda_{\beta q} (= (\lambda_q^\alpha)^*)$.
- The constraints on $v_{\alpha q}^-$ can be written in terms of λ_α

$$k_a \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a = 2\lambda_{\alpha q} \lambda_{\beta q}, \quad \lambda_q \tilde{\Gamma}_a \lambda_\rho = k_a \delta_{q\rho} \quad \lambda C \lambda = 0$$

- Then why we need $\rho^\#$ and $v_{\alpha q}^- = \lambda_{\alpha q} / \sqrt{\rho^\#}$?
 - The geometric and group theoretic meaning of $v_{\alpha q}^-$ is much more clear.
 - $\rho^\#$ and its canonically conjugate coordinate x^- will play an important role in the construction of on-shell superfields and superamplitudes.
- In particular the D=11 counterpart of the on-shell superspace is

$$\Sigma^{(10|16)} : \quad \{(x^-, v_{\alpha q}^-, \theta_q^-)\},$$

with bosonic sector $\mathbb{R} \otimes \mathbb{S}^9$ including $\mathbb{R} = \{x^-\}$ and $\mathbb{S}^9 = \{v_{\alpha q}^-\}$.

Brink-Schwarz superparticle and spinor moving frame

- But where such seemingly strange spinor frame variables come from?
- To understand this it is useful to discuss massless superparticle model.
- To start from Brink-Schwarz action which does exist in any dimensions and to follow the way to the Ferber-Schirafuji-like spinor moving frame formulation.
- The quantization of superparticle in its spinor moving frame formulation leads us to an appropriate on-shell superfield formalism which can be then generalized to superamplitudes.
- Here we just briefly describe the results of this procedure
- starting from a few more details on spinor frame

Vector frame attached to light-like momentum

- A particular solution of the mass shell conditions $k_a k^a = 0$ is given by

$$k_a = \rho (1, 0, \dots, 0, -1)$$

- Any other solution can be obtained from this (or from the reflected one) by performing a τ -dependent $O(1, D-1)$ Lorentz transformation

$$u_a^{(b)}(\tau) \in O(1, D-1) \Leftrightarrow u_a^{(b)} u^{a(c)} = \eta^{(b)(c)} = \text{diag}(+1, -1, \dots, -1),$$

- so that the general solution of the mass-shell constraint $p_a p^a = 0$ is

$$k_a = u_a^{(b)} p_{(b)} = \rho (u_a^0 - u_a^{(D-1)}) =: \rho^\#(\tau) u_a^-(\tau),$$

- By construction, the vector $u_a^-(\tau) = (u_a^0 - u_a^{(D-1)})$ is light-like.
- It is convenient to write the **frame matrix** $u_a^{(b)}(\tau) \in SO(1, D-1)$ in terms of this u_a^- , its complementary light-like $u_a^\#(\tau) = (u_a^0 + u_a^{(D-1)})$ and u_a' ,

$$u_a^{(b)} = \left(\frac{1}{2} (u_a^- + u_a^\#), u_a', \frac{1}{2} (u_a^\# - u_a^-) \right) \in SO^\uparrow(1, D-1).$$

Frame variables= Vector Lorentz harmonics

- The defining relation for the **moving frame matrix** or the matrix of **vector Lorentz harmonics** (or light-cone harmonics) [Sokatchev 86]

$$u_a^{(b)} = \left(\frac{1}{2} (u_a^- + u_a^\#), u_a', \frac{1}{2} (u_a^\# - u_a^-) \right) \in SO^\uparrow(1, D-1),$$

is equivalent to $u_a^{(b)} u^{a(c)} = \eta^{(a)(c)}$ (see [E. Sokatchev, 86,87]), i.e.

$$u_a^- u^{a-} = 0,$$

$$u_a^\# u^{a\#} = 0, \quad u_a^- u^{a\#} = 2,$$

$$u_a' u^{a-} = 0 = u_a' u^{a\#}, \quad u_a' u^{aj} = -\delta^{ij}$$

$$\text{and} \quad \delta_a^b = \frac{1}{2} u_a^- u^{b\#} + \frac{1}{2} u_a^\# u^{b-} - u_a' u^{bl}.$$

- Resuming: a frame can be attached to a light-like momentum by setting

$$k_a = \rho^\# u_a^-.$$

Moving frame variables = $SO(1, D - 1) / [SO(1, 1) \otimes SO(D - 2)] \otimes K_{D-2}$

- The splitting of $u_a^{(b)}$ is manifestly invariant under $SO(1, 1) \times SO(D - 2)$ so that in a model with this gauge symmetry the vector harmonics = homogeneous coordinates of the coset $\frac{SO(1, D-1)}{SO(1, 1) \times SO(D-2)}$

$$\{u_a^-, u_a^\#, u_a^I\} = \frac{SO(1, D-1)}{SO(1, 1) \times SO(D-2)}$$

(E.g. moving frame formulation of superstring [Bandos, Zheltukhin 91,92])

- In the model involving only u_a^- (massless superparticle), the gauge symmetry increases to $[SO(1, 1) \times SO(D - 2)] \otimes K_{D-2}$ where K_{D-2} is

$$u_a^- \mapsto u_a^-, \quad u_a^\# \mapsto u_a^\# + \frac{1}{4} u_a^- (K^{\#I})^2 + u_a^I K^{\#I},$$

$$u_a^I \mapsto u_{a(i)}^I + \frac{1}{2} u_{a(i)}^- K^{\#I},$$

- and the set of harmonic variables parametrize a compact coset

$$\boxed{\{(u_a^-, u_a^\#, u_a^I)\}} = \frac{SO(1, D-1)}{[SO(1, 1) \times SO(D-2)] \otimes K_{D-2}} = \mathbb{S}^{D-2} \quad \text{or} \quad \{u_a^-\} = \mathbb{S}^{D-2}$$

[Galperin, Howe, Stelle 91, Galperin, Delduc, Sokatchev 91].

Spinor moving frame = $\sqrt{\text{moving frame}}$

- **Spinor moving frame** = $\sqrt{\text{moving frame}}$ is defined by conditions of Lorentz invariance of D-dimensional Γ^a and also $C_{\alpha\beta}$ if such exists,
- i.e. is defined by a matrix $V \in Spin(1, D-1)$ which obeys

$$V\Gamma_b V^T = u_b^{(a)}\Gamma_{(a)}, \quad V^T \tilde{\Gamma}^{(a)} V = \tilde{\Gamma}^{b(a)} u_b^{(a)},$$

$$VCV^T = C, \quad \text{for } D \text{ in which } \exists C.$$

- The $SO(1,1) \times SO(D-2)$ invariant splitting of the spinor moving frame matrix, corresponding to $u_b^{(a)} = (u_b^-, u_b^\#, u_b^+)$, is

$$V_\alpha^{(\beta)} = \left(v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^+, v_{\alpha q}^- \right) \in Spin(1, D-1),$$

where q and \dot{q} are indices of the spinor representations of $SO(D-2)$, which can be different, like s-spinor and c-spinor in D=10,

$$D = 10: \quad \alpha = 1, \dots, 16, \quad \dot{q} = 1, \dots, 8, \quad q = 1, \dots, 8,$$

or the same, as in D=11,

$$D = 11: \quad \alpha = 1, \dots, 32, \quad q = \dot{q} = 1, \dots, 16, \quad v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^+ \equiv v_{\alpha q}^+.$$

Inverse spinor moving frame matrix

- The rectangular blocks of the spinor moving frame matrix, $v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^-$ and $v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^+$ are called **spinor moving frame variables** or **spinor harmonics** (spinorial Lorentz harmonics).
- When the charge conjugation matrix exists, the elements of the inverse spinor moving frame matrix

$$V_{(\beta)}^{\alpha} = \begin{pmatrix} v_{\dot{q}}^{+\alpha} \\ v_{\dot{q}}^{-\alpha} \end{pmatrix} \in Spin(1, D-1)$$

can be constructed from the harmonics $v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^+$ and $v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^-$. For instance,

$$D = 11 : \quad v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^- = iC_{\alpha\beta} v_{\dot{q}}^{-\beta}, \quad v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^+ = -iC_{\alpha\beta} v_{\dot{q}}^{+\beta}.$$

- When the charge conjugation matrix does not exist, like it is in $D = 10$ (MW representation), these are defined by the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} v_{\dot{q}}^{+\alpha} v_{\alpha\dot{p}}^- &= \delta_{\dot{q}\dot{p}}, & v_{\dot{q}}^{+\alpha} v_{\alpha\dot{p}}^+ &= 0, \\ v_{\dot{q}}^{-\alpha} v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^- &= 0, & v_{\dot{q}}^{-\alpha} v_{\alpha\dot{p}}^+ &= \delta_{\dot{q}\dot{p}}, \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently, $V_{\alpha}^{(\beta)} V_{(\beta)}^{\gamma} := v_{\alpha}^{-\dot{q}} v_{\dot{q}}^{+\gamma} + v_{\alpha}^{-\alpha} v_{\alpha}^{-\gamma} = \delta_{\alpha}^{\gamma}$.

- With the suitable representation for Γ -matrices, the constraints $V\Gamma_b V^T = u_b^{(a)}\Gamma_{(a)} V^T \tilde{\Gamma}^{(a)} V = \tilde{\Gamma}^b u_b^{(a)}$ can be split into

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_a^- \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a &= 2v_{\alpha q}^- v_{\beta q}^- , & v_q^- \tilde{\Gamma}_a v_p^- &= u_a^- \delta_{qp} , \\
 u_a^\# \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a &= 2v_{\alpha \dot{q}}^+ v_{\beta \dot{q}}^+ , & v_{\dot{q}}^+ \tilde{\Gamma}_a v_{\dot{p}}^+ &= u_a^\# \delta_{\dot{q}\dot{p}} , \\
 u_a^l \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a &= 2v_{(\alpha|q}^- \gamma_{q\dot{q}}^l v_{|\beta)\dot{q}}^+ , & v_q^- \tilde{\Gamma}_a v_{\dot{p}}^+ &= u_a^l \gamma_{q\dot{p}}^l .
 \end{aligned}$$

- For D=11 $q, p \equiv \dot{q}, \dot{p} = 1, \dots, 16$ are spinor indices of SO(9) and $\gamma_{pq}^l = \gamma_{pq}^l$ is the SO(9) gamma matrix;
- for D=10 $\gamma_{p\dot{q}}^l =: \tilde{\gamma}_{\dot{q}p}^l$ are Klebsh-Gordan coefficients of SO(8), $q, p = 1, \dots, 8$ are s-spinor (8s) indices, $\dot{q}, \dot{p} = 1, \dots, 8$ are c-spinor (8c) indices and $l=1, \dots, 8$ is SO(8) vector index (8v-index).
- In our perspective the especially important among above relations are

$$u_a^- \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a = 2v_{\alpha q}^- v_{\beta q}^- , \quad v_q^- \tilde{\Gamma}_a v_p^- = u_a^- \delta_{qp}$$

- which allow to state that $v_{\alpha q}^-$ is a square root of u_a^-
- in the same sense as in D=4 one states $\lambda_A = \sqrt{p_a} (p_\mu \sigma_{AA}^\mu = 2\lambda_A \bar{\lambda}_A)$.

D=10 vs D=11 spinor frame formalism

- In D=10 the above should be completed by eqs for inverse harmonics,

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_a^- \tilde{\Gamma}^{a\alpha\beta} &= 2v_q^{-\alpha} v_q^{-\beta}, & v_q^- \Gamma_a v_p^- &= u_a^- \delta_{qp}, \\
 \tilde{\Gamma}^{a\alpha\beta} u_a^\# &= 2v_q^{+\alpha} v_q^{+\beta}, & v_q^+ \Gamma_a v_p^+ &= u_a^\# \delta_{qp}, \\
 v_q^- \Gamma_a v_p^+ &= -u_a^l \gamma_{\rho\dot{q}}^l, & 2v_q^{-(\alpha} \gamma_{q\dot{q}}^l v_q^{+\beta)} &= -\tilde{\Gamma}^{a\alpha\beta} u_a^l.
 \end{aligned}$$

while for D=11 $v_q^{-\alpha} \equiv v_q^{-\alpha} = -iC^{\alpha\beta} v_{\beta q}^-$ and these equations are not independent.

D=10 vs D=11 spinor helicity formalism

- The D=10 spinor helicity variables of Caron-Huot and O'Connell is $\lambda_{\alpha q} = \sqrt{\rho^\#} v_{\alpha q}^-$ carrying 8s index, while the polarization spinor is $\lambda_q^\alpha = \sqrt{\rho^\#} v_q^{-\alpha}$ which carries 8c spinor index of SO(8).
- This is in contrast to 11D, where the polarization vector actually coincides with the spinor helicity variable $\lambda_q^\alpha = \sqrt{\rho^\#} v_q^{-\alpha} = -iC^{\alpha\beta} \lambda_{\beta q}$.

On shell fields of D=10 SYM in spinor frame form of spinor helicity formalism

- The polarization vector of the vector field can be identified with u_a^l so that the on-shell field strength of the (D=10) gauge field

$$D = 10 : \quad F_{ab} = k_{[a} u_{b]}^l w^l, \quad a = 0, 1, \dots, 9, \quad l = 1, \dots, 8$$

is characterized by an SO(8) vector w^l .

- The linearized on-shell spinor field

$$D = 10 : \quad \chi^\alpha = v_{\dot{q}}^{-\alpha} \psi_{\dot{q}}, \quad \dot{q} = 1, \dots, 8,$$

is characterized by a fermionic SO(8) c-spinor $\psi_{\dot{q}}$.

- The on-shell d.o.f.'s of SYM $\leftrightarrow w^l = w^l(\rho^\#, v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^-)$, $\psi_{\dot{q}} = \psi_{\dot{q}}(\rho^\#, v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^-)$ or, making Fourier transform w/r to $\rho^\#, w^l(x^-, v_q^-)$ and $\psi_q(x^-, v_q^-)$.
- Supersymmetry acts on these 9d fields by

$$\delta_\epsilon \psi_{\dot{q}} = \epsilon^{-q} \gamma_{q\dot{q}}^l w^l, \quad \delta_\epsilon w^l = 2i \epsilon^{-q} \gamma_{q\dot{q}}^l \partial_- \psi_{\dot{q}},$$

where $\epsilon^{-q} = \epsilon^\alpha v_{\alpha\dot{q}}^-$.

On shell fields of D=11 SUGRA in spinor frame/spinor helicity formalism

- The linearized on-shell field strength of 3-form gauge field

$$D = 11 : \quad F_{abcd} = k_{[a} u_b^I u_c^J u_d]^{K} \Phi_{IJK}, \quad a = 0, 1, \dots, 10, \quad I = 1, \dots, 9,$$

is expressed in terms of antisymmetric SO(9) tensor $\Phi_{IJK} (= A_{IJK})$.

- Its superpartners γ -traceless Ψ_{Iq} and traceless h_{IJ} , are used to make a decomposition of linearized on-shell 11D graviton and gravitino fields,

$$D = 11 : \quad \begin{aligned} \psi_{ab}^{\alpha} &= k_{[a} u_{b]}^I v_q^{-\alpha} \Psi_{Iq}, & \gamma_{qp}^I \Psi_{Ip} &= 0, \\ h_{ab} &= u_{(a}^I u_{b)}^J h_{IJ}, & h_{II} &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

These fields will appear as independent components of a constrained on-shell superfield.

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On-shell superfield description of D=10 SYM

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$$D_q^+ \Psi_{\dot{q}} = \gamma_{q\dot{q}}^l V^l, \quad q = 1, \dots, 8, \quad \dot{q} = 1, \dots, 8, \quad l = 1, \dots, 8.$$

- The consistency of this eq. requires

$$D_q^+ V^l = 2i \gamma_{q\dot{q}}^l \partial_{=} \Psi_{\dot{q}}.$$

- \Rightarrow there are no other independent components in the constrained on-shell superfield $\Psi_{\dot{q}}(x^-, \theta_q^-, v_{\alpha q^-})$, but $\psi_{\dot{q}} = \Psi_{\dot{q}}|_0$ and $w^l = V^l|_0$.

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Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{\dot{q}}(x^-, v_q^-; \theta_q^-) &= \psi_{\dot{q}}(x^-, v_q^-) + \theta_q^- \gamma_{q\dot{q}}^l w^l(x^-) + \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^4 \left(-\frac{i}{4}\right)^k \frac{(2k-1)!!}{(2k)!! (2k)!} (\theta^- \gamma^{l_1 \dots l_k} \theta^-) \dots (\theta^- \gamma^{l_1 l_2} \theta^-) (\gamma^{l_1 l_2} \dots \gamma^{l_{k-1} l_k})_{\dot{q}\dot{p}} (\partial_{=})^k \psi_{\dot{p}} + \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^3 \left(-\frac{i}{4}\right)^k \frac{(2k)!!}{(2k+1)!! (2k+1)!} (\theta^- \tilde{\gamma}^{l_1 l_2} \theta^-) \dots (\theta^- \tilde{\gamma}^{l_1 \dots l_k} \theta^-) (\tilde{\gamma}^{l_1 l_2} \dots \tilde{\gamma}^{l_{k-1} l_k} \tilde{\gamma}^l \theta^-)_{\dot{q}} (\partial_{=})^k w^l. \end{aligned}$$

On-shell superfields of 11D SUGRA

- In [A. Galperin, P. Howe, P. Townsend NPB1993] the linearized **11D supergravity** was described by a bosonic superfield

$\Phi^{JK} = \Phi^{[JK]}(x^-, \theta_q^-, v_{\alpha q}^-)$ which obeys

$$D_q^+ \Phi^{JK} = 3i \gamma_{qp}^{[IJ} \Psi_p^{K]}, \quad \gamma_{qp}^l \Psi_p^l = 0, \quad \begin{cases} I, J, K = 1, \dots, 9 \\ q, p = 1, \dots, 16 \end{cases}$$

where $\gamma_{qp}^l = \gamma_{pq}^l$ are d=9 Dirac matrices, $\gamma^l \gamma^j + \gamma^j \gamma^l = \delta^{lj} \mathbb{I}_{16 \times 16}$, and

$$D_q^+ = \partial_q^+ + 2i\theta_q^- \partial_{=} \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_q^-} + 2i\theta_q^- \frac{\partial}{\partial x^-}$$

obeying the d=1, $\mathcal{N} = 16$ supersymmetry algebra

$$\{D_q^+, D_p^+\} = 4i\delta_{qp} \partial_{=}$$

On-shell superfield equations of linearized D=11 SUGRA

- The consistency of $D_q^+ \Phi^{JK} = 3i\gamma_{qp}^{[J} \Psi_p^{K]}$ requires, besides $\gamma_{qp}^I \Psi_p^I = 0$, that

$$D_q^+ \Psi_p^I = \frac{1}{18} \left(\gamma_{qp}^{JKL} + 6\delta^{[J} \gamma_{qp}^{KL]} \right) \partial_- \Phi^{JKL} + 2\partial_- H_{IJ} \gamma_{qp}^J,$$

with symmetric traceless $SO(9)$ tensor superfield $H_{IJ} = H_{((IJ))}$, obeying

$$D_q^+ H_{IJ} = i\gamma_{qp}^{(I} \Psi_p^{J)}, \quad H_{IJ} = H_{JI}, \quad H_{II} = 0.$$

- These superfield equations (actually any of these three) can be considered as a counterpart of helicity constraint $\hat{h}\Phi = h\Phi$ imposed on the D=4 on-shell superfield.

On-shell superfield equations of linearized D=11 SUGRA

- Back to D=11 supergravity, we find convenient to collect all the on-shell superfields in one object

$$\Psi_Q(x^{\bar{=}}, v_{\alpha q}^{\bar{=}}; \theta_q^{\bar{=}}) = \{ \Psi_{lq}, \Phi_{[IJK]}, H_{((IJ))} \},$$

with multiindex Q taking 128(=144-16) 'fermionic' and 128=84+44 'bosonic values',

$$Q = \{ lq, [IJK], ((IJ)) \}$$

(gamma-tracelessness and tracelessness are implied!),

- and to write all the equations for them,

$$D_q^+ \Psi_p^I = \frac{1}{3} \left(\gamma_{qp}^{IJKL} + 6\delta^{I[J} \gamma_{qp}^{KL]} \right) \partial_- \Phi^{JKL} + 2\partial_- H_{IJ} \gamma_{qp}^J,$$

$$D_q^+ \Phi^{IJK} = 3i \gamma_{qp}^{[IJ} \Psi_p^{K]}, \quad D_q^+ H_{IJ} = i \gamma_{qp}^{(I} \Psi_p^{J)},$$

in the unique form

$$D_q^+ \Psi_Q = \Delta_{QqP} \Psi_P.$$

Fourier transform of the linearized 11D SUGRA equations

- After making Fourier transform

$$\Psi_Q(\rho^\#, v_{\alpha q}^-, \theta_q^-) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int dx^- \exp(i\rho^\# x^-) \Psi_Q(x^-, v_{\alpha q}^-, \theta_q^-)$$

- the superfields obey the same $D_q^+ \Psi_Q = \Delta_{QqP} \Psi_P$ but with $\partial_- \mapsto -i\rho^\#$,

$$D_q^+ = \partial_q^+ + 2\rho^\# \theta_q^- .$$

- As all Δ_{QqP} are now algebraic, passing to Fourier image makes natural to choose the fermionic superfield and its equation as fundamental

$$D_q^+ \Psi_p^I = -\frac{i\rho^\#}{3} \left(\gamma^{IJKL} + 6\delta^{I[J} \gamma^{KL]} \right)_{qp} \Phi^{JKL} - 2i\rho^\# H_{IJ} \gamma_{qp}^J .$$

- We can define our 11D superamplitudes by generalization of this equation,
- but more convenient way is to start from one of the bosonic superamplitudes.

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10D superamplitudes

- The on-shell n -particle superamplitudes are functions on a direct product of n copies of the on-shell superspace.
- The basic superamplitude of 10D SYM

$$\mathcal{A}_{l_1 \dots l_n}^{(n)}(k_1, \theta_1^-; \dots; k_n, \theta_n^-) \equiv \mathcal{A}_{l_1 \dots l_n}^{(n)}(\rho_1^\#; v_{q_1}^-; \theta_{q_1}^-; \dots; \rho_n^\#; v_{q_n}^-; \theta_{q_n}^-),$$

carry n bosonic, $8\mathbf{v}$ indices of SO(8) and obeys

$$\boxed{D_{qj}^+ \mathcal{A}_{l_1 \dots l_j \dots l_n}^{(n)} = 2\rho_j^\# \gamma^{lj}{}_{q\dot{q}} \mathcal{A}_{l_1 \dots l_{j-1} \dot{q} l_{j+1} \dots l_n}^{(n)}}, \quad D_{qj}^+ = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_{qj}^-} + 2\rho_j^\# \theta_{qj}^-.$$

- Selfconsistency of this equation requires equations for $\mathcal{A}_{l_1 \dots l_{j-1} \dot{q} l_{j+1} \dots l_n}^{(n)}$ and for amplitudes with higher number of fermions.
- It is convenient to introduce a notation with multi-indices $Q_j = \{\dot{q}_j, l_j\}$ and resume all these equations in one

$$D_{qj}^+ \mathcal{A}_{Q_1 \dots Q_j \dots Q_j} = (-)^{\sum_j} \Delta_{Q_j q P_j} \mathcal{A}_{Q_1 \dots P_j \dots Q_j}.$$

- $\Delta_{Q_j q P_j}$ can be read off the equations for on-shell superfields,
 $\Delta_{lq\dot{q}} = 2\rho_j^\# \gamma^{lj}{}_{q\dot{q}}$ etc.

11D superamplitudes

- The on-shell n -particle scattering amplitudes of 11D SUGRA

$$\mathcal{A}_{Q_1 \dots Q_n}^{(n)}(k_1, \theta_1^-; \dots; k_n, \theta_n^-) \equiv \mathcal{A}_{Q_1 \dots Q_n}^{(n)}(\rho_1^\#; \nu_{q_1^-}; \theta_{q_1^-}; \dots; \rho_n^\#; \nu_{q_n^-}; \theta_{q_n^-}),$$

carry n multi-indices $Q_l = \{l_l q_l, [l_l J_l K_l], ((l_l J_l))\}$ and obey

$$\gamma_{p_l q_l}^{l_l} \mathcal{A}_{\dots l_l q_l \dots} = 0,$$

$$D_{q^{(l)}}^+ \mathcal{A}_{\dots q^{(l)} \dots} = (-)^{\Sigma_l} \Delta_{Q_l q P^{(l)}} \mathcal{A}_{\dots P^{(l)} \dots},$$

- $\Delta_{Q_j q P_j}$ can be read off eqs. for on-shell superfields,
- and $\Sigma_l = \#$ of fermionic, $l_j q_j$, indices among $Q_1, \dots, Q_{(l-1)}$, i.e.

$$\Sigma_l = \sum_{j=1}^{l-1} \frac{(1 - (-)^{\varepsilon(Q_j)})}{2}, \quad \begin{cases} \varepsilon([l_j J_j K_j])=0 = \varepsilon(((l_j J_l))) \\ \varepsilon(l_j q_j)=1 \end{cases}$$

- In particular, when $Q_l = l_l p_l$, this equation reads

$$\begin{aligned} (-)^{\Sigma_l} D_{q_l}^{+(l)} \mathcal{A}_{Q_1 \dots l_l p_l \dots Q_n}^{(n)} &= -i \rho_{(l)}^\# \gamma_{J_l q p} \mathcal{A}_{Q_1 \dots ((l_l J_l)) \dots Q_n}^{(n)} - \\ &\quad - \frac{i}{18} \rho_{(l)}^\# \left(\gamma_{q p}^{l_l J_l K_l L_l} + 6 \delta^{l_l [J_l} \gamma_{q p}^{K_l L_l]} \right) \mathcal{A}_{Q_1 \dots [J_l K_l L_l] \dots Q_n}^{(n)}. \end{aligned}$$

Generalized BCFW deformations in D=11

- As in 4D construction the deformation implies the shifts

$$\widehat{k_{(1)}^a} = k_{(1)}^a - zq^a, \quad \widehat{k_{(n)}^a} = k_{(n)}^a + zq^a, \quad z \in \mathbb{C},$$

$$q_a q^a = 0, \quad q_a k_{(1)}^a = 0, \quad q_a k_{(n)}^a = 0,$$

- In D=11 and D=10 that results from

$$\widehat{v_{\alpha q(n)}^-} = v_{\alpha q(n)}^- + z v_{\alpha p(1)}^- \mathbb{M}_{pq} \sqrt{\rho_{(1)}^\# / \rho_{(n)}^\#},$$

$$\widehat{v_{\alpha q(1)}^-} = v_{\alpha q(1)}^- - z \mathbb{M}_{qp} v_{\alpha p(n)}^- \sqrt{\rho_{(n)}^\# / \rho_{(1)}^\#}$$

where $\mathbb{M}_{qp} = -2 q^a (v_{q(1)}^- \tilde{\Gamma}_a v_{p(n)}^-) \sqrt{\rho_{(1)}^\# \rho_{(n)}^\#} / (k_{(1)} k_{(n)})$ is nilpotent

$$\boxed{\mathbb{M}_{rp} \mathbb{M}_{rq} = 0}, \quad \boxed{\mathbb{M}_{qr} \mathbb{M}_{pr} = 0}.$$

- This nilpotent matrix enters also the deformation of the fermionic

$$\widehat{\theta_{p(n)}^-} = \theta_{p(n)}^- + z \theta_{q(1)}^- \mathbb{M}_{qp} \sqrt{\rho_{(1)}^\# / \rho_{(n)}^\#},$$

$$\widehat{\theta_{q(1)}^-} = \theta_{q(1)}^- - z \mathbb{M}_{qp} \theta_{p(n)}^- \sqrt{\rho_{(n)}^\# / \rho_{(1)}^\#}.$$

11D BCFW

BCFW-type recurrent relations for tree 11D superamplitudes [PRL 2017] are

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathcal{A}_{Q_1 \dots Q_n}^{(n)}(k_1, \theta_{(1)}^-; k_2, \theta_{(2)}^-; \dots; k_n, \theta_{(n)}^-) = \\
 & = \sum_{l=2}^n \frac{(-)^{\Sigma(l+1)}}{64(\widehat{\rho}^\#(z_l))^2} D_{q(z_l)}^+ \left(\mathcal{A}_{z_l Q_1 \dots Q_l \rho}^{(l+1)}(\widehat{k}_1, \widehat{\theta}_{(1)}^-; k_2, \theta_{(2)}^-; \dots; k_l, \theta_{(l)}^-; \widehat{P}_l(z_l), \theta^-) \times \right. \\
 & \left. \times \frac{1}{(P_l)^2} \overleftrightarrow{D}_{q(z_l)}^+ \mathcal{A}_{z_l \rho Q_{l+1} \dots Q_n}^{(n-l+1)}(-\widehat{P}_l(z_l), \theta^-; k_{l+1}, \theta_{(l+1)}^-; \dots; k_{n-1}, \theta_{(n-1)}^-; \widehat{k}_n, \widehat{\theta}_{(n)}^-) \right)_{\theta^- = 0}
 \end{aligned}$$

- where $P_l^a = -\sum_{m=1}^l k_m^a$, $\widehat{P}_l^a(z) = -\sum_{m=1}^{l < n} \widehat{k}_m^a(z) = P_l^a - zq^a$ and

$$\boxed{z_l := \frac{P_l^a P_{l+1}^a}{2P_l^b q_b}} \quad \text{with } q^a \text{ obeying } q^2 = 0, q \cdot k_1 = 0, q \cdot k_n = 0$$

- Actually, $q^a = -\sqrt{\rho_1^\# \rho_n^\#} v_{q(1)}^- \tilde{\Gamma}^a \mathbb{M}_{qp} v_{\rho(n)}^- / 32$ with $\mathbb{M} \mathbb{M}^T = 0$.
- Actually, the bosonic arguments of the on-shell amplitudes are $\rho_{(i)}^\#$ and $v_{\alpha q(i)}^-$ from $k_{a(i)} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a = 2\rho_{(i)}^\# v_{\alpha q(i)}^- v_{\beta q(i)}^-$ and $v_{q(i)}^- \tilde{\Gamma}^a v_{\rho(i)}^- = k_{a(i)} \delta_{qp} / \rho_{(i)}^\#$.

11D BCFW

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathcal{A}_{Q_1 \dots Q_n}^{(n)}(k_1, \theta_{(1)}^-; k_2, \theta_{(2)}^-; \dots; k_n, \theta_{(n)}^-) = \\
 & = \sum_{l=2}^n \frac{(-)^{\Sigma(l+1)}}{64(\widehat{\rho}^\#(z_l))^2} D_{q(z_l)}^+ \left(\mathcal{A}_{z_l Q_1 \dots Q_l J_p}^{(l+1)}(\widehat{k}_1, \widehat{\theta}_{(1)}^-; k_2, \theta_{(2)}^-; \dots; k_l, \theta_{(l)}^-; \widehat{P}_l(z_l), \theta^-) \times \right. \\
 & \left. \times \frac{1}{(\widehat{P}_l)^2} \overleftrightarrow{D}_{q(z_l)}^+ \mathcal{A}_{z_l J_p Q_{l+1} \dots Q_n}^{(n-l+1)}(-\widehat{P}_l(z_l), \theta^-; k_{l+1}, \theta_{(l+1)}^-; \dots; k_{n-1}, \theta_{(n-1)}^-; \widehat{k}_n, \widehat{\theta}_{(n)}^-) \right)_{\theta^- = 0} .
 \end{aligned}$$

- Actually, the bosonic arguments of the on-shell amplitudes are $\rho_{(i)}^\#$ and $v_{\alpha q(i)}^-$ from $k_{a(i)} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^a = 2\rho_{(i)}^\# v_{\alpha q(i)}^- v_{\beta q(i)}^-$ and $v_{q(i)}^- \tilde{\Gamma}^a v_{p(i)}^- = k_{a(i)} \delta_{qp} / \rho_{(i)}^\#$.
- and $\pm \widehat{P}_l^a(z_l)$ should be also understood as $v_{\alpha q P_l}^- (z_l)$ and $\pm \rho_{P_l}^\#(z_l)$

$$\widehat{P}_l^a(z_l) \Gamma_{a\alpha\beta} = 2\rho_{P_l}^\# v_{\alpha q P_l}^- v_{\beta q P_l}^- , \quad \widehat{P}_l^a(z_l) \delta_{qp} = \rho_{P_l}^\# v_{q P_l}^- \tilde{\Gamma}^a v_{p P_l}^- .$$

- Finally, $D_{q(z_l)}^+$ is the covariant derivative with respect to θ_q^- ,

$$D_{q(z_l)}^+ = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_q^-} + 2\rho_{P_l}^\# \theta_q^- .$$

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Little group $SO(D-2) \mapsto SO(D-4)$ tiny group

- Actually there exists a possibility to construct an alternative, **analytic superfield formalism** [hep-th/1705.nnnn].
- The price to pay is breaking (spontaneous) of the little group symmetry $SO(D-2)_i$ to the 'tiny group' $SO(D-4) (\in SU(\mathcal{N}))$.
- The analytic superamplitudes have a superfield structure very similar to its D=4 cousin, but with 'component' amplitudes depending on another set of bosonic variables. These are:
- D=10 or D=11 spinor helicity variables: densities $\rho_i^\#$ and $v_{\alpha qi}^-$

$$\{v_{\alpha qi}^-\} = \left(\frac{Spin(1, D-1)}{[SO(1, 1) \otimes Spin(D-2)] \otimes K_{D-2}} \right)_i,$$

and internal frame or **internal harmonic variables**

$$\{w_{qi}^A, \bar{w}_{Aqi}\} = \left(\frac{Spin(D-2)}{Spin(D-4) \otimes U(1)} \right)_i$$

[Harmonic variables, $SU(2)/U(1)$, $SU(3)/(U(1)XU(1))$, ... :

[Galperin, Ivanov, Kalitsin, Ogievetsky, Sokatchev=GIKOS CQG 84,84],
 [Galperin, Ivanov, Sokatchev, "Harmonic superspace", CUP 2001],

$\frac{SO(D-2)}{SO(D-4) \otimes U(1)}$ harmonic variables

- This internal frame or **internal harmonic variables**

$$\{w_{qi}^A, \bar{w}_{Aqi}\} = \left(\frac{Spin(D-2)}{Spin(D-4) \otimes U(1)} \right)_i,$$

obey

$$\bar{w}_{qB} w_q^A = \delta_B^A, \quad w_q^A w_q^B = 0, \quad \bar{w}_{qA} \bar{w}_{qB} = 0.$$

besides

$$\psi_{q\dot{p}} := \gamma_{q\dot{p}}^I U_I = 2\bar{w}_{qA} w_{\dot{p}}^A, \quad \bar{\psi}_{q\dot{p}}^{\check{J}} := \gamma_{q\dot{p}}^I \bar{U}_I = 2w_q^A \bar{w}_{\dot{p}A}.$$

and $\check{\psi}_{q\dot{p}}^{\check{J}} := \gamma_{q\dot{p}}^I U_I^{\check{J}} = iw_q^A \sigma_{AB}^{\check{J}} w_{\dot{p}}^B + i\bar{w}_{qA} \check{\sigma}^{\check{J}AB} \bar{w}_{\dot{p}B}$ (in D=11 $\dot{q} = q$)

- (in D=11 $\dot{q} = q$, $Spin(7) \subset SU(8)$; for D=10 $Spin(D-4) = SU(4)$).
- Here U_I, \bar{U}_I and $U_I^{\check{J}}$ form the vector internal frame

$$U_I^{(J)} = \left(U_I^{\check{J}}, \frac{1}{2} (U_I + \bar{U}_I), \frac{1}{2i} (U_I - \bar{U}_I) \right) \in SO(D-2).$$

Analytic superamplitude of 10D SYM

- We start with the basic $\mathcal{A}_{l_1 \dots l_j \dots l_n}^{(n)}$ obeying

$$D_{q_j}^{+(j)} \mathcal{A}_{l_1 \dots l_j \dots l_n}^{(n)} = 2\rho_j^\# \gamma_{q_j \dot{q}_j}^{l_j} \mathcal{A}_{l_1 \dots l_{j-1} \dot{q}_j l_{j+1} \dots l_n}^{(n)} :$$

- First, we contract $SO(8)_i$ 8v indices with U_{li} ($\gamma_{qp}^l U_{li} = 2\bar{w}_{qAi} w_{pi}^A$)

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_n(\{\rho_i^\#, v_{\alpha q(i)}^-, w_i, \bar{w}_i; \theta_{qi}^-\}) = U_{l_1 1} \dots U_{l_n n} \mathcal{A}_{l_1 \dots l_n}(\{\rho_i^\#, v_{\alpha q_i}^-, \theta_{q_i}^-\}) ,$$

- we obtain the object which obeys

$$\bar{D}_A^{+(j)} \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_n(\{\rho_i^\#, v_{\alpha q(i)}^-, w_i, \bar{w}_i; \theta_{qi}^-\}) = 0 \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, n ,$$

$$\bar{D}_A^{+(j)} = \bar{w}_{qAj} D_q^{+(j)} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\eta}_j^{-A}} + 2\rho_j^\# \eta_{Aj}^- , \quad \eta_{Aj}^- = \theta_{qj}^- \bar{w}_{qAj} = (\bar{\eta}_j^{-A})^* .$$

- Our analytic 10D SYM superamplitude is related to this by

$$\mathcal{A}_n(\{\rho_i^\#, v_{\alpha q_i}^-, w_i, \bar{w}_i; \eta_{Ai}\}) = e^{-2\sum_j \rho_j^\# \eta_{Bj}^- \bar{\eta}_j^{-B}} \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_n(\{\dots, \bar{w}_i; \eta_{Ai}^- w_{qi}^A + \bar{\eta}_i^{-A} \bar{w}_{qAi}\})$$

Analytic superamplitude of 11D SUGRA

- The analytic superamplitudes of 11D SUGRA are constructed as

$$\mathcal{A}_n(\{\rho_i^\#, v_{\alpha qi}^-, w_i, \bar{w}_i; \eta_{Ai}\}) = U_{I_1} U_{J_1} \dots U_{I_n} U_{J_n} \times e^{-2 \sum_j \rho_j^\# \eta_{Bj}^- \bar{\eta}_j^{-B}} \mathcal{A}_{(I_1 J_1) \dots (I_n J_n)}^{(n)}(\{\rho_i^\#, v_{\alpha qi}^-, \eta_{Ai}^- w_{qi}^A + \bar{\eta}_i^{-A} \bar{w}_{qAi}\}).$$

from the basic 11D superamplitude $\mathcal{A}_{I_1 \dots I_n}^{(n)}$ obeying

$$D_{qj}^+ \mathcal{A}_{(I_1 J_1) \dots (I_n J_n)}^{(n)} = \rho_j^\# \gamma_{qp} \langle j | \mathcal{A}_{(I_1 J_1) \dots (I_{j-1} J_{j-1}) | J_j \rangle p | J_{j+1} J_{j+1} \dots (I_n J_n)}^{(n)}$$

- Notice that, despite the similarity of the superfield structure of analytic superamplitudes with ones of D=4 $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM and $\mathcal{N} = 8$ SUGRA
- the generalization of 4D results to 10D and 11D is not straightforward.
- This issue is under investigation now.
- In particular, we have found a **Lorentz covariant counterpart of the light cone gauge, fixed on spinor frame variables**, which promises to be very useful tool for development of both constrained and analytic superamplitude formalisms.

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Discussion and conclusion

- I hope this study have convinced you that the D=10, 11 **Lorentz harmonic approach** and(or) **spinor moving frame** formalism [Galperin, Howe, Stelle 91, Galperin, Delduc, Sokatchev 91, Bandos, Zheltukhin 91-95, Galperin, Howe, Stelle 93, Bandos, Nurmagambetov 96, Bandos, Sorokin, ..., Uvarov,...], which, in contrast to Newmen-Penrose diad and Penrose twistor formalism, **work(s) with highly constrained set of spinors**,
- is useful, besides the in the superembedding approach
 - [Bandos, Pasti, Sorokin, Tonin, Volkov 95, Bandos, Sorokin, Volkov 95, Howe, Sezgin 96, Howe, Sezgin, West 97, Bandos, Sorokin, Tonin 97, ...]
 also in the on-shell amplitude calculations.
- Of course, we are at the first stages of developing such an application.
- Namely we have constructed/presented:
 - the **10D and 11D spinor helicity formalism**,
 - on-shell superfield description of 11D SUGRA and 10D SYM amplitudes = **constrained superamplitude formalism**
 - the **BCFW**-type relation **for 11D superamplitudes** (and a hopefully more convenient version of BCFW **for 10D SYM** superamplitudes),
- and almost unconstrained **analytic superamplitudes formalism**.

Outlook

The natural directions for further development are:

- Generalization of constrained and analytic superamplitude approaches to loop (super)amplitudes.
- To develop the spinor moving frame and on-shell superfield approaches to the CHY scattering equations
 [Cachazo, He, Yuan, PRL 2014= arXiv:1307.2199]
 and 'ambitwistor string'
 [Mason, Skinner JHEP 2013, ..., Geyer, Lipstein, Mason PRL14, ..., Adamo, ..., Lipstein, Schomerus, ...]
 (our approach implies rather Green –Schwarz type ambitwistor superstring \approx twistor superstring [lg Bandos, JHEP 14, arXiv:1404.1299]).
- Possible generalization to 10D superstring amplitudes
- (including field theory amplitudes beyond 10D SYM/SUGRA).
- ? 11D superamplitudes beyond 11D SUGRA? (?M-theory amplitudes?)

THE END!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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The 10D SYM superamplitude with four fermionic outcomes can be reproduced from

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{A}_{\dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 \dot{q}_3 \dot{q}_4}(k_1, \theta_{(1)}^-; k_2, \theta_{(2)}^-; k_3, \theta_{(3)}^-; k_4, \theta_{(4)}^-) = \\
& = \frac{1}{16(\widehat{\rho}^\#(z_{12}))^2} \left(D_{q(z_{12})}^+ \left(\mathcal{A}_{z_{12} \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 \dot{p}}(\widehat{k}_1, \widehat{\theta}_{(1)}^-; k_2, \theta_{(2)}^-; \widehat{P}_{12}(z_{12}), \Theta^-) \times \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. \times \frac{1}{(P_{12})^2} \overleftrightarrow{D}_{q(z_{12})}^+ \mathcal{A}_{z_{12} \dot{p} \dot{q}_3 \dot{q}_4}(-\widehat{P}_{12}(z_{12}), \Theta^-; k_3, \theta_{(3)}^-; \widehat{k}_4, \widehat{\theta}_{(4)}^-) \right) \right)_{\Theta_{\dot{q}}^- = 0} - (2 \leftrightarrow 3)
\end{aligned}$$

After applying the covariant derivatives, this expression can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{A}_{\dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 \dot{q}_3 \dot{q}_4}(k_1, \theta_{(1)}^-; k_2, \theta_{(2)}^-; k_3, \theta_{(3)}^-; k_4, \theta_{(4)}^-) = \\
& = 2 \mathcal{A}_{z_{12} \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 \dot{p}}(\widehat{k}_1, \widehat{\theta}_{(1)}^-; k_2, \theta_{(2)}^-; \widehat{\rho}^\#(z_{12}), v_q^-(z_{12}), 0) \\
& \quad \times \frac{1}{(P_{12})^2 \widehat{\rho}^\#(z_{12})} \mathcal{A}_{z_{12} \dot{p} \dot{q}_3 \dot{q}_4}(-\widehat{\rho}^\#(z_{12}), v_q^-(z_{12}), 0; k_3, \theta_{(3)}^-; \widehat{k}_4, \widehat{\theta}_{(4)}^-) \\
& + \mathcal{A}_{z_{12} \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 l}(\widehat{k}_1, \widehat{\theta}_{(1)}^-; k_2, \theta_{(2)}^-; \widehat{\rho}^\#(z_{12}), v_q^-(z_{12}), 0) \\
& \quad \times \frac{1}{(P_{12})^2} \mathcal{A}_{z_{12} l \dot{q}_3 \dot{q}_4}(-\widehat{\rho}^\#(z_{12}), v_q^-(z_{12}), 0; k_3, \theta_{(3)}^-; \widehat{k}_4, \widehat{\theta}_{(4)}^-) + (2 \longleftrightarrow 3).
\end{aligned}$$

From this we can obtain the BCFW relation for the 4-fermionic amplitude of 10D SYM

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{\dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 \dot{q}_3 \dot{q}_4}(k_1; k_2; k_3; k_4) &= \\ &= \mathcal{A}_{z_{12} \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2}(\widehat{k}_1; k_2; ; \widehat{\rho}^\#(z_{12}), v_q^-(z_{12})) \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{(P_{12})^2} \mathcal{A}_{z_{12} \dot{q}_3 \dot{q}_4}(-\widehat{\rho}^\#(z_{12}), v_q^-(z_{12}); k_3; ; \widehat{k}_4) + (2 \longleftrightarrow 3). \end{aligned}$$

Its structure is simpler than that of superamplitude because the amplitudes of odd number of fermions vanishes, in particular

$$\mathcal{A}_{z_{12} \dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 \dot{p}}(\widehat{k}_1; k_2; ; \widehat{\rho}^\#(z_{12}), v_q^-(z_{12})) \equiv 0$$

(which is not the case for superamplitudes).

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It is convenient to introduce an auxiliary spinor frame $(v_{\alpha q}^-, v_{\alpha q}^+)$ and associated vector frame $(u_a^-, u_a^\#, u_a^l)$. Then

- any of the spinor and vector frames $(v_{\alpha q(i)}^-, v_{\alpha q(i)}^+)$ and associated vector frame $(u_{a(i)}^-, u_{a(i)}^\#, u_{a(i)}^l)$ associated to one of the scattered particles are related to these by the Spin(1,D-1) Lorentz transformations
- but only $(D-2)$ of the parameters of this Lorentz transformation, $K_i^{\bar{l}}$ ($\approx \mathbb{S}^{D-2}$), are not associated to gauge symmetry which defines spinor frame(s)
- thus we can fix the gauge ($K_i^{\#l} = 0$, $O_i^{lj} = \delta^{lj}$, $e^{-\beta_i} = 1$) in which any spinor frame can be expressed through the auxiliary frame by

$$v_{\alpha q(i)}^- = v_{\alpha q}^- + \frac{1}{2} K_i^{\bar{l}} \gamma_{qp}^l v_{\alpha p}^+, \quad v_{\alpha q(i)}^+ = v_{\alpha q}^+.$$

- The frame vectors are related to the vectors of auxiliary frame by

$$u_{a(i)}^- = u_a^- + K_{(i)}^{\bar{l}} u_a^l + \frac{1}{4} (\vec{K}_{(i)}^-)^2 u_a^\#,$$

$$u_{a(i)}^l = u_a^l + \frac{1}{2} K_{(i)}^{\bar{l}} u_a^\#, \quad u_{a(i)}^\# = u_a^\#.$$

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As an example we can discuss the expression for 3-point 10D SYM amplitude with two fermionic outcomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{\dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2}(\rho_{(1)}^\#, \hat{v}_{q(1)}^-; \rho_{(2)}^\#, v_{q(2)}^-; \rho_{(12)}^\#(z_{12}), v_q^-(z_{12})) = \\ \propto \sqrt{|\rho_{(1)}^\# \rho_{(2)}^\#|} \left[\widehat{v_{\dot{q}_1(1)}^-} v_{\alpha p_2(2)}^- \gamma_{p_2 \dot{q}_2}^J (u_{(2)}^J u_{(3)}^J) - v_{\dot{q}_2(2)}^- \widehat{v_{\alpha p_1(1)}^-} \gamma_{p_1 \dot{q}_1}^J (u_{(1)}^J u_{(3)}^J) \right] \end{aligned}$$

In the above gauge this simplifies to

$$\mathcal{A}_{\dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2}(\rho_{(1)}^\#, \hat{v}_{q(1)}^-; \rho_{(2)}^\#, v_{q(2)}^-; \rho_{(12)}^\#(z_{12}), v_q^-(z_{12})) = \sqrt{|\rho_{(1)}^\# \rho_{(2)}^\#|} \widehat{K_{(12)}^{-I}} \delta_{\dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2}.$$

Now we can easily calculate the tree 4-fermion amplitudes of 10D SYM from BCFW relation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{\dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2 \dot{q}_3 \dot{q}_4}(k_1; k_2; k_3; k_4) = \\ = \propto \sqrt{|\rho_{(1)}^\# \rho_{(2)}^\# \rho_{(3)}^\# \rho_{(4)}^\#|} \left(\delta_{\dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_2} \delta_{\dot{q}_3 \dot{q}_4} \frac{\widehat{K_{(12)}^{-I}} \widehat{K_{(34)}^{-I}}}{(\widehat{K_{(12)}^{-I}})^2} - \delta_{\dot{q}_1 \dot{q}_3} \delta_{\dot{q}_2 \dot{q}_4} \frac{\widehat{K_{(13)}^{-I}} \widehat{K_{(24)}^{-I}}}{(\widehat{K_{(13)}^{-I}})^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

We can write also the analogous 11D superamplitudes but these are more complicated.