

# *Open & Closed vs. Pure Open String Disk Amplitudes*

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## *Outline*

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St. St., arXiv:0907.2211

- Sort of generalized KLT on the disk
- Open string subamplitude relations
- Relation between brane and bulk couplings

## *Recap: Disk scattering of open strings*

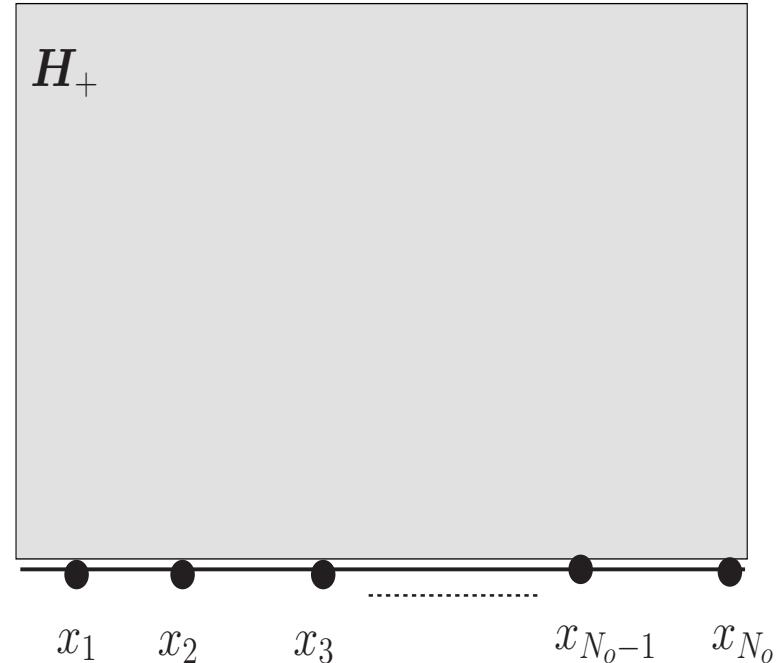
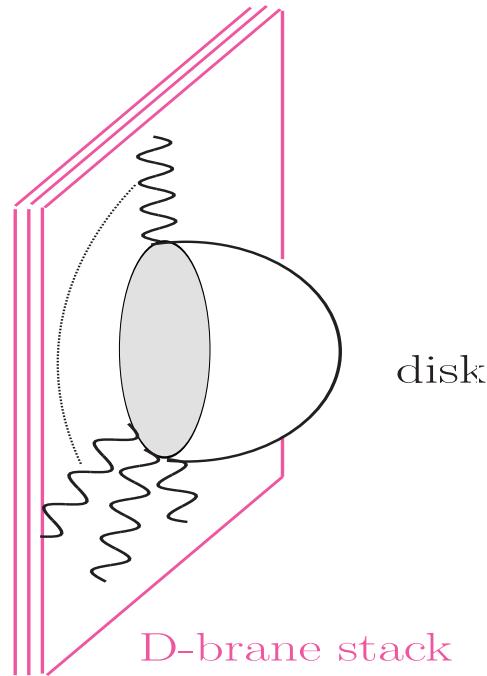
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$N$ –point open string tree–level disk amplitudes in backgrounds with CFT description

### Motivation:

- Recent results in YM in spinor basis:  
Compact expressions, Recursion relations, . . .  
St.St., Taylor, 2006–2008
- Impact on the perturbative structure of string theory:  
Recursion relations, . . ., Impact on open/closed sector, . . .
- YM amplitudes give rise to gravity amplitudes (KLT)  
Transcendentality properties, possible constraints on counter terms, . . .  
St.St. arXiv: 0910.0180
- Parton amplitudes are important for (collider) phenomenology:  
LHC: Multijet production is dominated by tree–level QCD–scattering  
Härtl, Lüst, Schlotterer, St.St., Taylor

## Recap: Disk scattering of open strings



$$\mathcal{A}(1, 2, \dots, N) = g_{YM}^{N-2} \sum_{\sigma \in S_N / \mathbf{Z}_N} \text{Tr}(T^{a_1} T^{a_{\sigma(2)}} \dots T^{a_{\sigma(N)}}) \ A(1, \sigma(2), \dots, \sigma(N))$$

$A(1, 2, \dots, N)$  tree-level color-ordered  $N$ -leg partial amplitude

## *Recap: Disk scattering of open strings*

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E.g.:  $N = 3 : \quad \text{Tr}(T^1 T^2 T^3) = \text{Tr}(T^2 T^3 T^1) = \text{Tr}(T^3 T^1 T^2)$

$$\text{Tr}(T^1 T^3 T^2) = \text{Tr}(T^3 T^2 T^1) = \text{Tr}(T^2 T^1 T^3)$$

The  $(N - 1)!$  subamplitudes are not all independent:

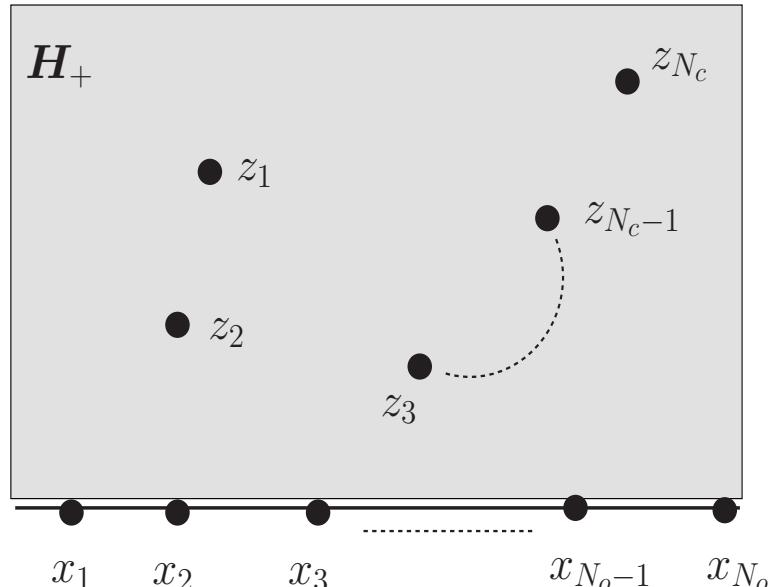
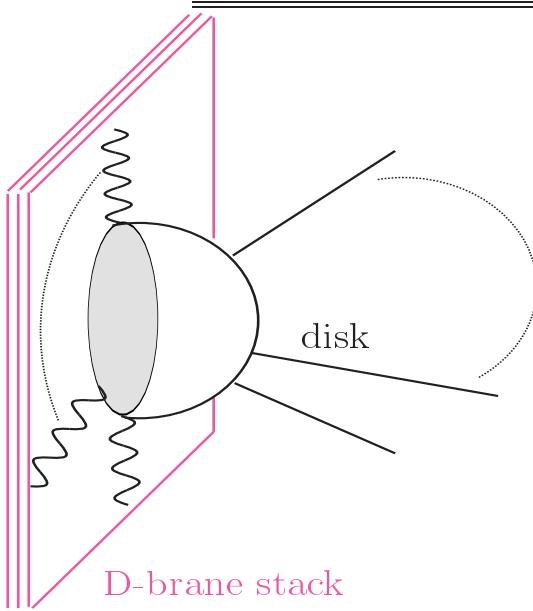
In addition to **cyclic symmetries** by applying  
**reflection and parity symmetries**

$$A(1, 2, \dots, N) = (-1)^N A(N, N - 1, \dots, 2, 1)$$

reduce the number of independent partial amplitudes  
from  $(N - 1)!$  to  $\frac{1}{2}(N - 1)!$

*( properties of the string world-sheet )*

## Disk scattering of open and closed strings



$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{N_o}/\mathbf{Z}_{N_o}} V_{\text{CKG}}^{-1} \left( \int_{\mathcal{I}_\sigma} \prod_{j=1}^{N_o} dx_j \prod_{i=1}^{N_c} \int_{H_+} d^2 z_i \right) \langle \prod_{j=1}^{N_o} :V_o(x_j): \prod_{i=1}^{N_c} :V_c(\bar{z}_i, z_i):\rangle$$

$V_o(x_i)$  = open string vertex operators inserted at  $x_i$  on the boundary of the disk

$V_c(\bar{z}_i, z_i)$  = closed string vertex operators inserted at  $z_i$  inside the disk

## Disk scattering of open and closed strings

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$$\mathcal{A}(N_o, N_c) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{N_o}/\mathbf{Z}_{N_o}} \sum_I \mathcal{K}_I \mathcal{I}_I^\sigma$$

$\mathcal{I}_I^\sigma$  = complex disk integral  
involving open and closed positions

Result: Integrand looks like a pure open string amplitude  
involving  $N_o + 2N_c$  open strings,  
with integrations over  $N_o + 2N_c - 3$  real positions  $x_l, \xi_i, \eta_j$

$$\mathcal{A}(N_o, N_c) = \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^{N_c} \sum_{\Sigma \in \mathcal{P}} \Pi(\Sigma) A(1, \Sigma(2), \dots, \Sigma(N_o + 2N_c)) ,$$

## Disk scattering of open and closed strings

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$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{I}_I^\sigma &= V_{\text{CKG}}^{-1} \left( \int_{\mathcal{I}_\sigma} \prod_{j=1}^{N_o} dx_j \prod_{i=1}^{N_c} \int_C d^2 z_i \right) \prod_{j_1 < j_2}^{N_o} |x_{j_1} - x_{j_2}|^{4p_{j_1} p_{j_2}} (x_{j_1} - x_{j_2})^{n_{j_1 j_2}^I} \\
&\times \prod_{i=1}^{N_c} |z_i - \bar{z}_i|^{2q_{i\parallel}^2} (z_i - \bar{z}_i)^{r_{ii}^I} \prod_{j=1}^{N_o} \prod_{i=1}^{N_c} |x_j - z_i|^{4p_j q_i} (x_j - z_i)^{m_{ij}^I} (x_j - \bar{z}_i)^{\bar{m}_{ij}^I} \\
&\times \prod_{i_1 < i_2}^{N_c} |z_{i_1} - z_{i_2}|^{2q_{i_1} q_{i_2}} |z_{i_1} - \bar{z}_{i_2}|^{2q_{i_1} D q_{i_2}} \\
&\times (z_{i_1} - z_{i_2})^{r_{i_1 i_2}^I} (\bar{z}_{i_1} - \bar{z}_{i_2})^{\bar{r}_{i_1 i_2}^I} (z_{i_1} - \bar{z}_{i_2})^{\tilde{r}_{i_1 i_2}^I} (\bar{z}_{i_1} - z_{i_2})^{\bar{\tilde{r}}_{i_1 i_2}^I}
\end{aligned}$$

with some integers  $n_{ij}^I, m_{ij}^I, \bar{m}_{ij}^I, r_{ij}^I, \tilde{r}_{ij}^I, \bar{r}_{ij}^I, \bar{\tilde{r}}_{ij}^I \in \mathbf{Z}$  referring to the kinematical factor  $\mathcal{K}_I$ .

Integers and the kinematical factor  $\mathcal{K}_I$  do not depend on the ordering  $\sigma$ .

## Disk scattering of open and closed strings

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Split complex integral into holomorphic and anti-holomorphic pieces:

$$\begin{aligned}\xi_i &= z_{1i} + i z_{2i} \equiv z_i \\ \eta_j &= z_{1j} - i z_{2j} \equiv \bar{z}_j , \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N_c\end{aligned}$$

integrand becomes an analytic function in  $\xi_i, \eta_j$

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi(x_l, \xi_i, \eta_j) &= e^{2\pi i p_l q_i \theta[-(x_l - \xi_i)(x_l - \eta_i)]} e^{i\pi q_i q_j \theta[-(\xi_i - \xi_j)(\eta_i - \eta_j)]} \\ &\times e^{i\pi q_i D q_j \theta[-(\xi_i - \eta_j)(\eta_i - \xi_j)]} e^{2\pi i q_{i\parallel}^2 \theta(\eta_i - \xi_i)}\end{aligned}$$

Phase factor  $\Pi(x_l, \xi_i, \eta_j)$  accounts for correct branch of the integrand

The factor  $\Pi(\Sigma)$  is the phase factor from for the insertions  $x_l, \xi_i, \eta_j$  with the ordering  $\Sigma$  of the  $N_o + 2N_c$  open string positions.

disentangle

$$\Pi(\xi, \eta, \rho) = \begin{cases} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} & , \quad (\xi - \rho) (\eta + \rho) < 0 , \\ e^{i\pi\beta_2} & , \quad (\xi + \rho) (\eta - \rho) < 0 , \\ e^{i\pi\lambda_2} & , \quad (1 - \xi) (1 - \eta) < 0 , \\ e^{i\pi\alpha_2} & , \quad |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{A}(1, 2; 3, 4) &= [ A(1, 6, 5, 3, 4, 2) + A(1, 5, 6, 3, 4, 2) ] + e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 5, 3, 6, 4, 2) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 5, 3, 4, 6, 2) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 5, 3, 4, 2, 6) + e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 6, 3, 5, 4, 2) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} [ A(1, 3, 6, 5, 4, 2) + A(1, 3, 5, 6, 4, 2) ] + e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 3, 5, 4, 6, 2) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 3, 5, 4, 2, 6) + e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 6, 3, 4, 5, 2) + e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 3, 6, 4, 5, 2) \\
&+ [ A(1, 3, 4, 6, 5, 2) + A(1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 2) ] + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} A(1, 3, 4, 5, 2, 6) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 6, 3, 4, 2, 5) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 3, 6, 4, 2, 5) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} A(1, 3, 4, 6, 2, 5) \\
&+ [ A(1, 3, 4, 2, 6, 5) + A(1, 3, 4, 2, 5, 6) ] + [ A(1, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2) + A(1, 5, 6, 4, 3, 2) ] \\
&+ e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 5, 4, 6, 3, 2) + e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 5, 4, 3, 6, 2) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 5, 4, 3, 2, 6) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 6, 4, 5, 3, 2) + e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} [ A(1, 4, 6, 5, 3, 2) + A(1, 4, 5, 6, 3, 2) ] \\
&+ e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 4, 5, 3, 6, 2) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 4, 5, 3, 2, 6) + e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 6, 4, 3, 5, 2) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 4, 6, 3, 5, 2) + [ A(1, 4, 3, 6, 5, 2) + A(1, 4, 3, 5, 6, 2) ] \\
&+ e^{i\pi\lambda_2} A(1, 4, 3, 5, 2, 6) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 6, 4, 3, 2, 5) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 4, 6, 3, 2, 5) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\lambda_2} A(1, 4, 3, 6, 2, 5) + [ A(1, 4, 3, 2, 6, 5) + A(1, 4, 3, 2, 5, 6) ] \\
&+ e^{i\pi\alpha_2} \{ [ A(1, 6, 5, 3, 2, 4) + A(1, 5, 6, 3, 2, 4) ] + e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 5, 3, 6, 2, 4) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 5, 3, 2, 6, 4) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 5, 3, 2, 4, 6) + e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 6, 3, 5, 2, 4) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\beta_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} [ A(1, 3, 6, 5, 2, 4) + A(1, 3, 5, 6, 2, 4) ] + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 3, 5, 2, 6, 4) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 3, 5, 2, 4, 6) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 6, 3, 2, 5, 4) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 3, 6, 2, 5, 4) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\beta_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} [ A(1, 3, 2, 6, 5, 4) + A(1, 3, 2, 5, 6, 4) ] + e^{i\pi\gamma_2} A(1, 3, 2, 5, 4, 6) \\
&+ e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\gamma_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 6, 3, 2, 4, 5) + e^{i\pi\lambda_2} e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 3, 6, 2, 4, 5) + e^{i\pi\beta_2} A(1, 3, 2, 6, 4, 5) \\
&+ [ A(1, 3, 2, 4, 6, 5) + A(1, 3, 2, 4, 5, 6) ] \}
\end{aligned}$$

## *Disk scattering of open and closed strings*

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Basic ingredients of open & closed disk amplitude:  
(color) ordered open string amplitudes  $A(1, \dots, N)$

After inspecting phase  $\Pi(x_l, \xi_i, \eta_j)$  :

- many different contributions (open string orderings)  $A(a, b, c, d, e, f)$
- many striking relations

## *Open string disk amplitudes*

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Recall: The full open string tree-level  $N$ -gluon amplitude  $\mathcal{A}$ :

$$\mathcal{A}(1, 2, \dots, N) = g_{YM}^{N-2} \sum_{\sigma \in S_{N-1}} \text{Tr}(T^{a_1} T^{a_{\sigma(2)}} \dots T^{a_{\sigma(N)}}) A(1, \sigma(2), \dots, \sigma(N))$$

runs over  $\frac{1}{2}(N - 1)!$  subamplitudes.

## Field-theory $D = 4$

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Moreover in  $D = 4$  FT further relations found by:

- Kleiss, Kuijf, 1989  $(N - 2)!$   
Del Duca, Dixon, Maltoni, 2000
- Bern, Carrasco, Johansson, 2008  $(N - 3)!$

E.g.: Subcyclic property (photon-decoupling identity:  $T^{a_1} \rightarrow 1$ )

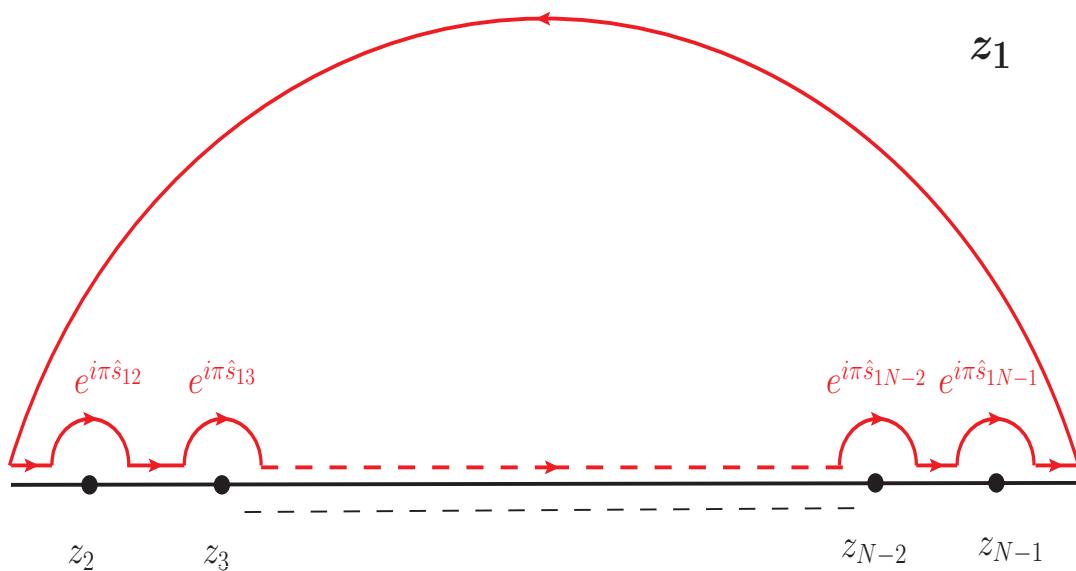
$$\sum_{\sigma \in S_{N-1}} A_{FT}(1, \sigma(2), \sigma(3), \dots, \sigma(N)) = 0$$

In STTH these relations **do not** hold beyond FT order !

## World–sheet derivation of amplitude relations

By applying world–sheet string techniques  $\Rightarrow$  new algebraic identities

$$A(1, \dots, N) = V_{\text{CKG}}^{-1} \int_{z_1 < \dots < z_N} \left( \prod_{j=1}^N dz_j \right) \sum_{\mathcal{K}_I} \mathcal{K}_I \prod_{i < j} |z_i - z_j|^{s_{ij}} (z_i - z_j)^{n_{ij}^I}$$



by analytically continuing  
the  $z_1$ –integration to  
the whole complex plane  
and integrating  $z_1$   
along the contour integral

$$\begin{aligned} A(1, 2, \dots, N) + e^{i\pi s_{12}} A(2, 1, 3, \dots, N-1, N) + e^{i\pi(s_{12}+s_{13})} A(2, 3, 1, \dots, N-1, N) \\ + \dots + e^{i\pi(s_{12}+s_{13}+\dots+s_{1N-1})} A(2, 3, \dots, N-1, 1, N) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

## *World–sheet derivation of amplitude relations*

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- proof does not rely on any kinematic properties of the subamplitudes
- for any open string state: boson or fermion
- these relations hold in any space–time dimensions  $D$
- for any amount of supersymmetry

## World–sheet derivation of amplitude relations

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E.g.  $N = 4$  :

$$\boxed{\frac{A(1, 2, 4, 3)}{A(1, 2, 3, 4)} = \frac{\sin(\pi u)}{\sin(\pi t)} \quad , \quad \frac{A(1, 3, 2, 4)}{A(1, 2, 3, 4)} = \frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\sin(\pi t)}}$$

As a result these relations allow to express all six partial amplitudes in terms of **one**, say  $A(1, 2, 3, 4)$ :

$$A(1, 4, 3, 2) = A(1, 2, 3, 4) ,$$

$$A(1, 2, 4, 3) = A(1, 3, 4, 2) = \frac{\sin(\pi u)}{\sin(\pi t)} A(1, 2, 3, 4) ,$$

$$A(1, 3, 2, 4) = A(1, 4, 2, 3) = \frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\sin(\pi t)} A(1, 2, 3, 4) .$$

Clearly, in the field–theory limit the relations simply reduce to the well–known identities:

$$\frac{A_{FT}(1, 2, 4, 3)}{A_{FT}(1, 2, 3, 4)} = \frac{u}{t} \quad , \quad \frac{A_{FT}(1, 3, 2, 4)}{A_{FT}(1, 2, 3, 4)} = \frac{s}{t}$$

Subcyclic property  $A_{FT}(1, 2, 3, 4) + A_{FT}(1, 3, 4, 2) + A_{FT}(1, 4, 2, 3) = 0$

E.g.  $N = 5$  : Relations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sin[\pi(s_2 - s_4)] A(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) + \{\sin[\pi(s_1 + s_2 - s_4)] - \sin(\pi s_1)\} A(1, 3, 4, 5, 2) \\
 + & \sin[\pi(s_2 - s_4)] A(1, 4, 5, 2, 3) + \{\sin(\pi s_5) + \sin[\pi(s_2 - s_4 - s_5)]\} A(1, 5, 2, 3, 4) = 0 \\
 \\ 
 & [\sin(\pi s_1) + \sin(\pi s_5)] A(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) + \sin[\pi(s_1 + s_5)] A(1, 3, 4, 5, 2) \\
 + & \{\sin[\pi(s_1 + s_2 - s_4)] - \sin[\pi(s_2 - s_4 - s_5)]\} A(1, 4, 5, 2, 3) + \sin[\pi(s_1 + s_5)] A(1, 5, 2, 3, 4) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

As a result these relations allow to express all six partial amplitudes in terms of **two**, say  $A(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$  and  $A(1, 3, 2, 4, 5)$ , e.g.:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A(1, 2, 5, 4, 3) &= -A(1, 3, 4, 5, 2) = \sin[\pi(s_3 - s_1 - s_5)]^{-1} \\
 &\times \{ \sin[\pi(s_3 - s_5)] A(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) + \sin[\pi(s_2 + s_3 - s_5)] A(1, 3, 2, 4, 5) \} , \\
 A(1, 3, 4, 2, 5) &= -A(1, 5, 2, 4, 3) = \sin[\pi(s_3 - s_1 - s_5)]^{-1} \\
 &\times \{ \sin(\pi s_1) A(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) - \sin[\pi(s_1 + s_2)] A(1, 3, 2, 4, 5) \} , \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, in the field theory limit, these two relations boil down to the subcyclic identity:

$$A_{FT}(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) + A_{FT}(1, 3, 4, 5, 2) + A_{FT}(1, 4, 5, 2, 3) + A_{FT}(1, 5, 2, 3, 4) = 0.$$

## *World–sheet derivation of amplitude relations*

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- These relations allow for a **complete reduction** of the full string subamplitudes to a **minimal basis of  $(N - 3)!$  subamplitudes** just like in field–theory
- **Reproduce** Kleiss–Kuijf and Bern–Carrasco–Johanson identities in field–theory limit



Basic ingredients  
of **open & closed** disk amplitude are  
 $(N - 3)!$  (color) ordered **open** string amplitudes  $A(1, \dots, N)$

## Two open & two closed strings versus six open strings on the disk

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After inspecting phase  $\Pi(\rho, \xi, \eta)$  :

- many different contributions (open string orderings)  $A(a, b, c, d, e, f)$
- many striking relations:

$$A(1, 5, 3, 6, 4, 2) = A(1, 2, 3, 5, 4, 6) ,$$

$$A(1, 5, 4, 6, 3, 2) = A(1, 2, 4, 5, 3, 6) ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(1, 2, 3, 6, 5, 4) &= \frac{\cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{2}(s+t) \right]}{\sin \left( \frac{\pi t}{2} \right)} A(1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 5) + \frac{\cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{2}(s+t) \right]}{\sin \left( \frac{\pi t}{2} \right)} A(1, 2, 4, 3, 6, 5) \\ &+ \frac{\cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{4}(s+2t) \right]}{\sin \left( \frac{\pi t}{2} \right)} A(1, 2, 4, 5, 3, 6) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(1, 2; 3, 4) &= \sin \left( \frac{\pi s}{2} \right) \sin(\pi s) A(1, 6, 3, 5, 4, 2) \\ &- \sin \left( \frac{\pi s}{2} \right) \sin(\pi t) A(1, 3, 5, 4, 2, 6) , \end{aligned}$$

## *Open & closed vs. pure open string disk amplitude*

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General:

Disk amplitude involving  $N_o$  open and  $N_c$  closed strings  
is mapped to disk amplitudes of  $N_o + 2N_c$  open strings

E.g.:

$N_o = 2, N_c = 1 \implies$  four open strings

$N_o = 3, N_c = 1 \implies$  five open strings

$N_o = 4, N_c = 1, N_o = 2, N_c = 2 \implies$  six open strings

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Open string subamplitude relations

$\iff$  Analysis of contour integrals in the complex plane  
yield  $(N_0 + 2N_c - 3)!$  – dimensional basis of functions

## *Open & closed vs. pure open string disk amplitude*

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Examples:

$$\mathcal{A}(1, 2) = A(1, 2, 3, 4),$$

$$\mathcal{A}(1, 2; 3) = \sin(\pi t) A(1, 2, 3, 4),$$

$$\mathcal{A}(1, 2, 3; 4) = \sin(\pi t) A(1, 5, 2, 4, 3),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(1, 2; 3, 4) &= \sin\left(\frac{\pi s}{2}\right) \sin(\pi s) A(1, 6, 3, 5, 4, 2) \\ &\quad - \sin\left(\frac{\pi s}{2}\right) \sin(\pi t) A(1, 3, 5, 4, 2, 6), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(1, 2, 3, 4; 5) &= \sin(\pi s_4) A(1, 6, 4, 5, 3, 2) \\ &\quad - \sin \pi \left( \frac{s_1}{2} - \frac{s_3}{2} + s_5 \right) A(1, 4, 3, 5, 2, 6), \\ &\quad \dots \end{aligned}$$

## *Open & closed vs. pure open string disk amplitudes*

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This map reveals  
important relations between  
open & closed string disk amplitudes  
and pure open string disk amplitudes !

## Open & closed vs. pure open string disk amplitudes

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Two vectors and two massless Neveu–Schwarz closed string states:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle A_{\mu_1}(x_1) A_{\mu_2}(x_2) G_{\mu_3\mu_4}(\bar{z}_1, z_1) G_{\mu_5\mu_6}(\bar{z}_2, z_2) \rangle \zeta^{\mu_1} \zeta^{\mu_2} \epsilon_1^{\mu_3\mu_4} \epsilon_2^{\mu_5\mu_6} \\ & \simeq \langle A_{\mu_1}(x_1) A_{\mu_2}(x_2) A_{\mu_3}(x_3) A_{\mu_4}(x_4) A_{\mu_5}(x_5) A_{\mu_6}(x_6) \rangle \xi^{\mu_1} \xi^{\mu_2} \xi^{\mu_3} \xi^{\mu_4} \xi^{\mu_5} \xi^{\mu_6} \end{aligned}$$

with the identifications and assignment of momenta

$$\xi_1 = \zeta_1 \quad , \quad \xi_2 = \zeta_2 \quad , \quad \xi_3 \otimes \xi_4 = \epsilon_1 \quad , \quad \xi_5 \otimes \xi_6 = \epsilon_2$$

Two vectors and two massless Ramond  $p$ – and  $q$ –forms

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle A_{\mu_1}(x_1) A_{\mu_2}(x_2) F_{\alpha\beta}(\bar{z}_1, z_1) F_{\gamma\delta}(\bar{z}_2, z_2) \rangle \\ & \times \zeta^{\mu_1} \zeta^{\mu_2} f_{\mu_0 \dots \mu_p}^1 \left( P_- \Gamma^{[\mu_0} \dots \Gamma^{\mu_p]} \right)^{\alpha\beta} f_{\nu_0 \dots \nu_q}^2 \left( P_- \Gamma^{[\nu_0} \dots \Gamma^{\nu_q]} \right)^{\gamma\delta} \\ & \simeq \langle A_{\mu_1}(x_1) A_{\mu_2}(x_2) \chi_\alpha(x_3) \chi_\beta(x_4) \chi_\gamma(x_5) \chi_\delta(x_6) \rangle \xi^{\mu_1} \xi^{\mu_2} u^\alpha v^\beta u^\gamma v^\delta \end{aligned}$$

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*Sort of generalized KLT on the disk*

$$V_{\text{closed}}(\bar{z}_i, z_i) \simeq V_{\text{open}}(\bar{z}_i) V_{\text{open}}(z_i) \simeq V_{\text{open}}(\eta_i) V_{\text{open}}(\xi_i)$$
$$z_i \in \mathbf{C} \quad \quad \quad \eta_i, \xi_i \in \mathbf{R}$$

Recall KLT:

$$M_4(1, 2, 3, 4)_{S^2} = -i \sin(\alpha' s_{12}) A_4(1, 2, 3, 4)_{D_2} A_4(1, 2, 4, 3)_{D_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_5(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)_{S^2} = & i \sin(\alpha' s_{12}) \sin(\alpha' s_{34}) A_5(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)_{D_2} A_5(2, 1, 4, 3, 5)_{D_2} \\ & + \sin(\alpha' s_{13}) \sin(\alpha' s_{24}) A_5(1, 3, 2, 4, 5)_{D_2} A_5(3, 1, 4, 2, 5)_{D_2} \\ & : \end{aligned}$$