

Automatizing one-loop computation in the SM with RECOLA

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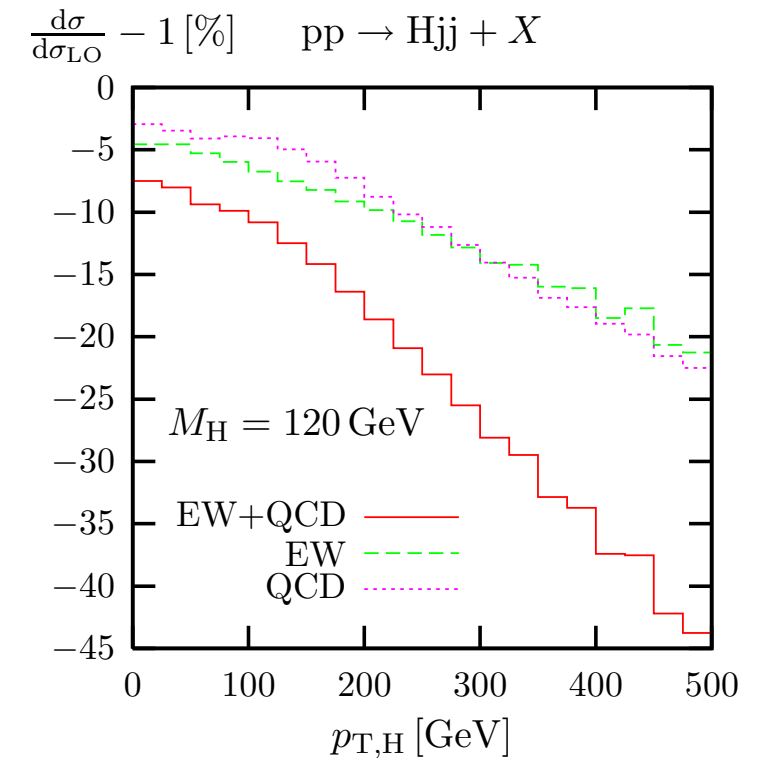
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- QCD corrections are known to be large
- EW corrections can be enhanced:
 - in high energy regions (Sudakov log's)
 - in Higgs physics
 - by photon emission (mass-singular log's)



Let's concentrate on **one loop** corrections

Les Houches wishlist 2013 at one loop

- **QCD:**

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H, \quad pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + j \quad (\text{top decays})$$

- **EW:**

$$pp \rightarrow 3j,$$

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$$pp \rightarrow V + 2j, \quad pp \rightarrow VV', \quad pp \rightarrow VV + j,$$

$$pp \rightarrow VV + 2j \quad pp \rightarrow VV'\gamma, \quad pp \rightarrow VV'V'',$$

($V, V', V'' = W, Z$ decay leptonically)

- Many issues at hadronic level:

Multi-channel MCs, Real emission, PDFs, Parton Shower, ...

- At least the partonic processes should be **automatized**

Many codes have been produced:

MCFM	Campbell, Ellis
FormCalc	Agrawal, Hahn, Mirabella
BlackHat	Berger, Bern, Dixon, Febres Cordero, Forde, Ita, Kosower, Maître
VBFNLO	Arnold, Bähr, Bozzi, Campanario, Englert, Figy, Greiner, Hackstein, Hankele, Jäger, Klämke, Kubocz, Oleari, Plätzer, Prestel, Worek, Zeppenfeld
HELAC-NLO	Bevilacqua, Czakon, Garzelli, van Hameren, Kardos, Papadopoulos, Pittau, Worek
GoSam	Cullen, Greiner, Heinrich, Luisoni, Mastrolia, Ossola, Reiter, Tramontano
SANC	Sadykov, Arbuzov, Bardin, Bondarenko, Christova, Kalinovskaya, Kolesnikov, Sapronov, Uglov
NJet	Badger, Biedermann, Uwer, Yundin
AMC@NLO	Hirschi, Frederix, Frixione, Garzelli, Maltoni, Pittau
OpenLoops	Cascioli, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini

Most of them are efficient codes for **QCD**

RECOLA

REcursive C omputation of O ne L oop A mplitudes
(in the **full Standard Model**)

Based on **recursive relations** for **off-shell currents**

Off-shell tree currents

Given a process with L external legs:

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{P}_1 + \dots + \mathcal{P}_{L-1}}_{\text{primary}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{P}_L}_{\text{last}} \rightarrow 0$$

Off-shell current of a particle \mathcal{P} with n primary legs:

Def: Amplitude made of n primary on-shell particles and the off-shell particle \mathcal{P}

$$w(\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{C}, \{l_1, \dots, l_n\}) = \text{diagram}$$

color

particle: e^-, e^+, γ, \dots

List of primary legs

- w is a scalar, spinor or vector
- The off-shell currents for external legs are the wave functions:

$$\rightarrow \bullet = u_\lambda(p) \quad \leftarrow \bullet = \bar{u}_\lambda(p) \quad \sim \bullet = \epsilon_\lambda(p) \quad - - \bullet = 1$$

Recursion relation for tree amplitudes

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Diagram with } n \text{ legs and vertex } \mathcal{P} \\
 &= \sum_{\{i\}, \{j\}}^{i+j=n} \sum_{\mathcal{P}_i, \mathcal{P}_j} \text{Diagram with } i \text{ legs, } j \text{ legs, and vertex } \mathcal{P} \\
 &+ \sum_{\{i\}, \{j\}, \{k\}}^{i+j+k=n} \sum_{\mathcal{P}_i, \mathcal{P}_j, \mathcal{P}_k} \text{Diagram with } i, j, k \text{ legs and vertex } \mathcal{P}
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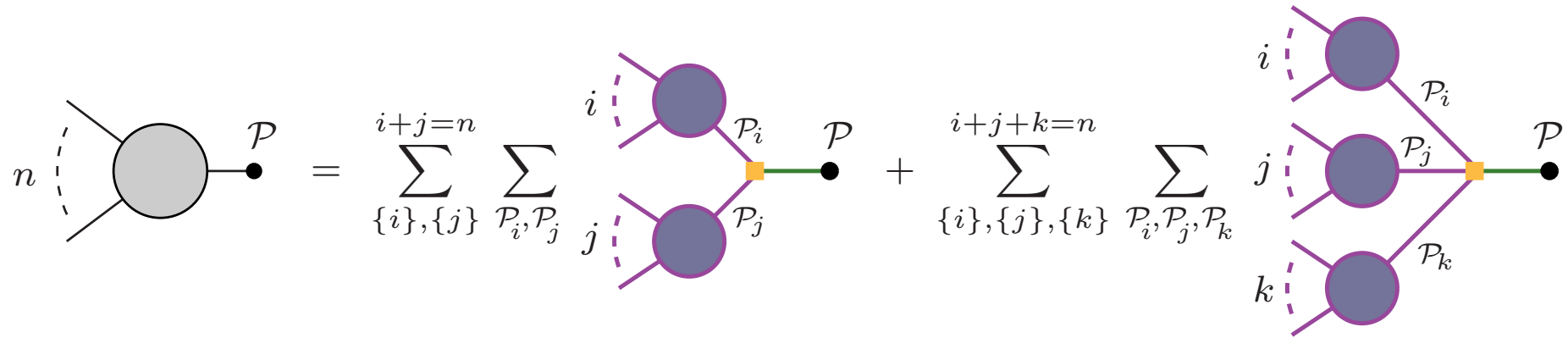
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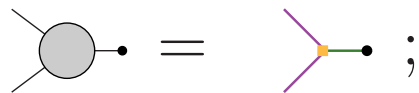
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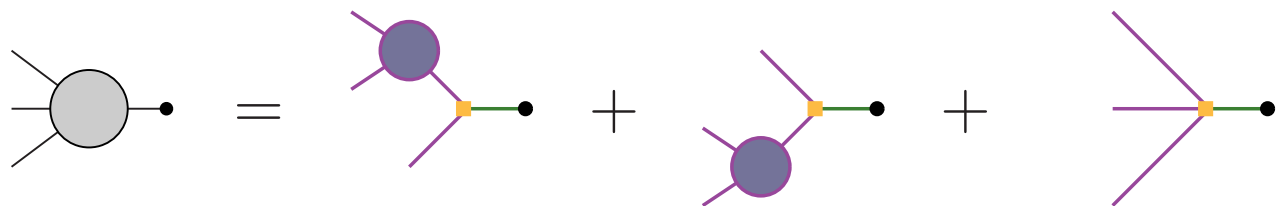


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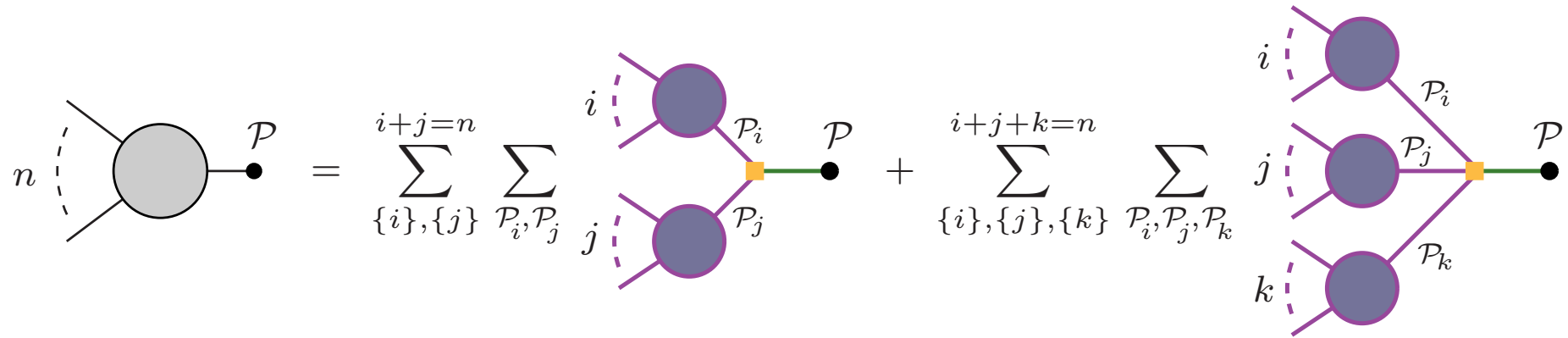
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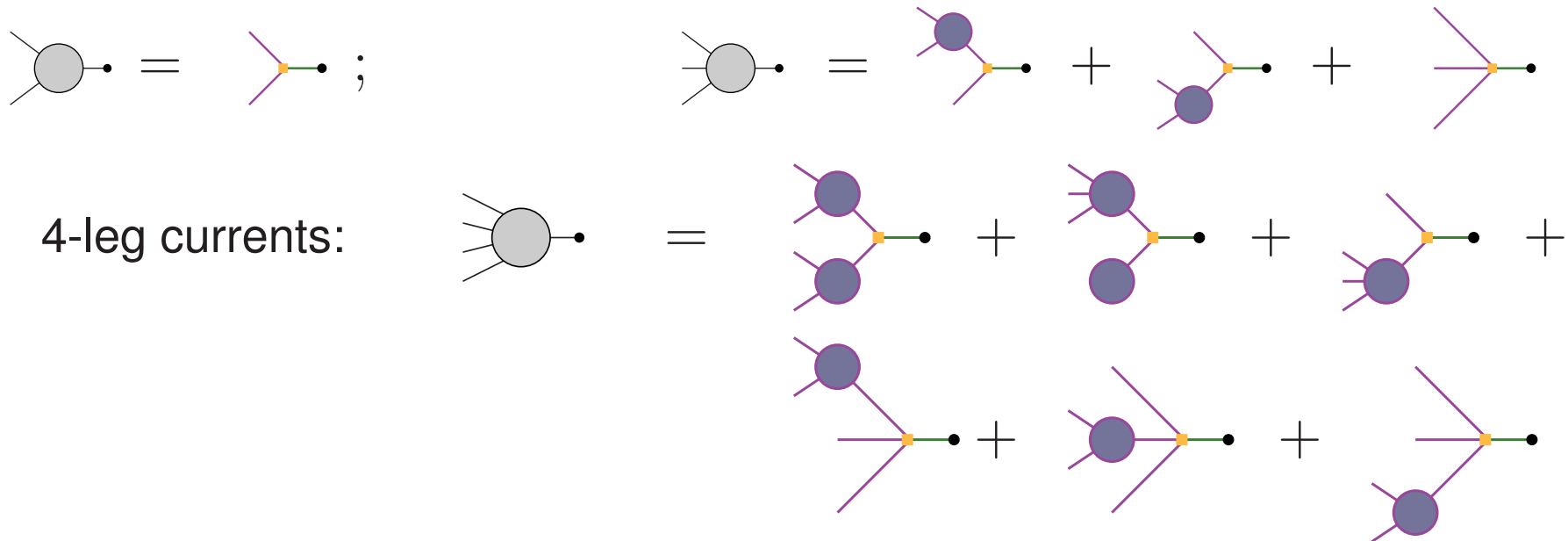


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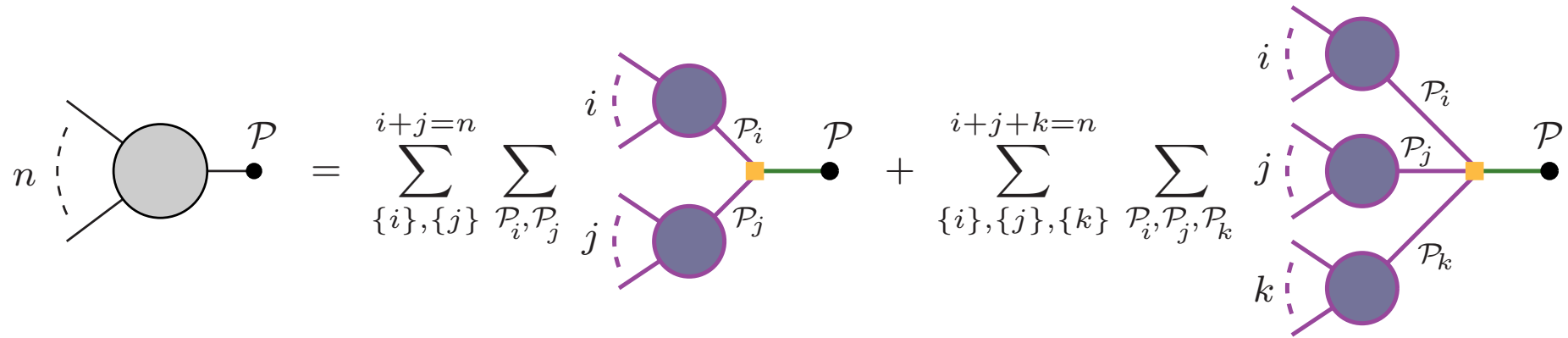


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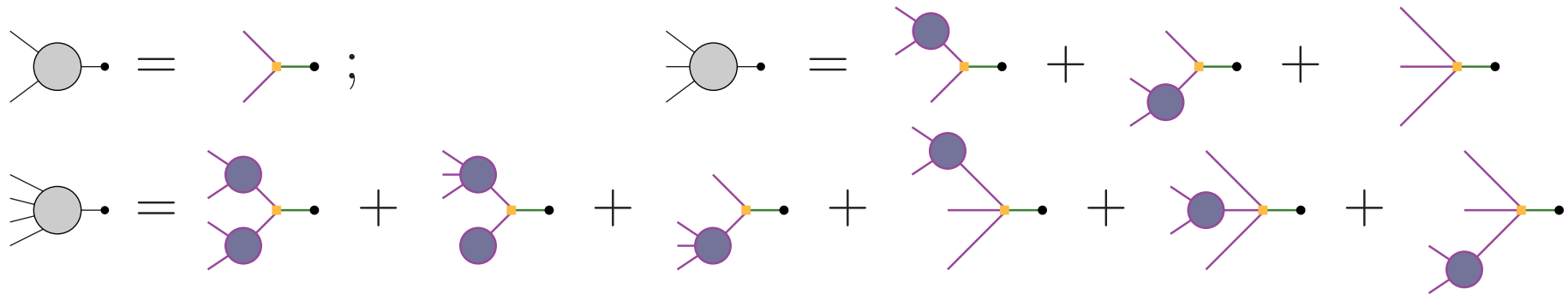


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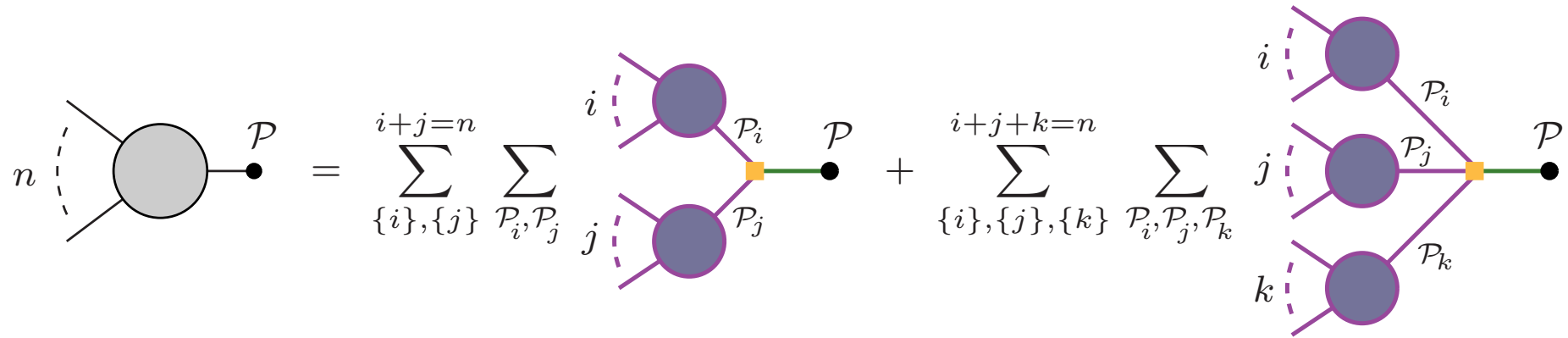
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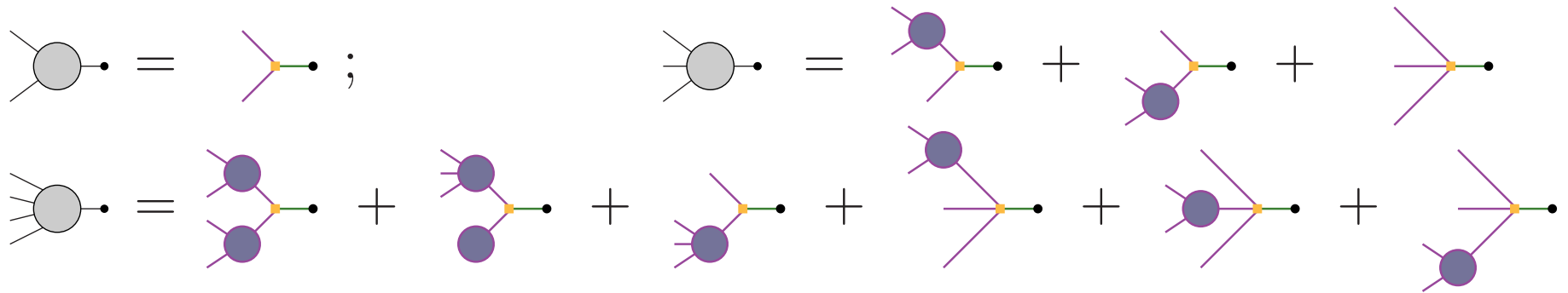
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Amplitude: $\mathcal{A} = w(\overline{\mathcal{P}}_L, 2^{L-1} - 1) \times (\text{propagator})^{-1} \times w(\mathcal{P}_L, 2^{L-1})$

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Given the loop process

$$\mathcal{P}_1 + \dots + \mathcal{P}_L \rightarrow 0$$

we consider the tree processes

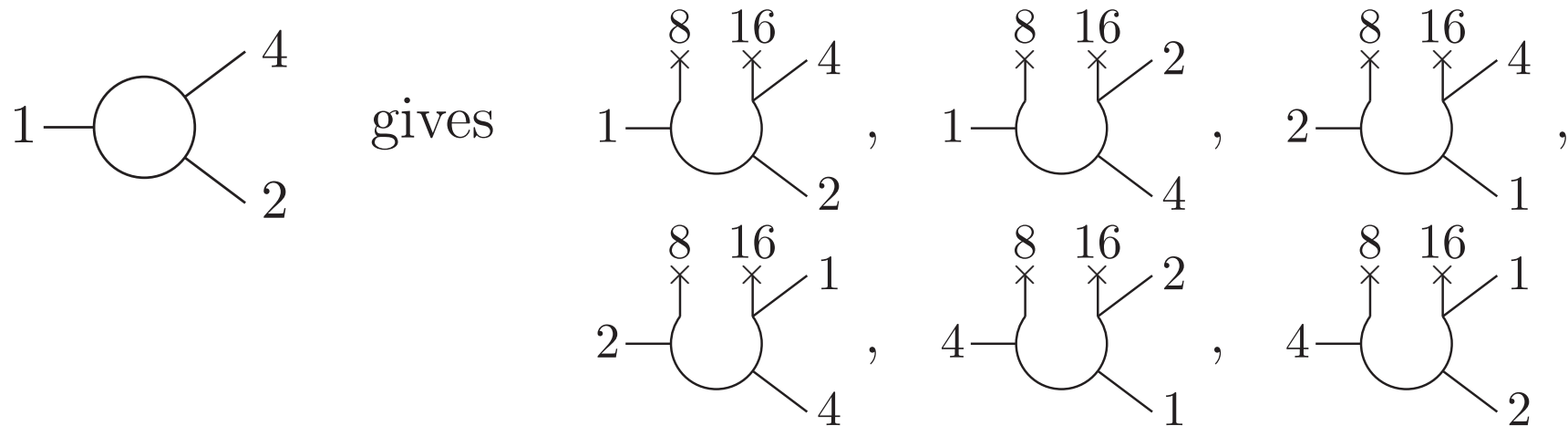
$$\underbrace{\mathcal{P}_1 + \dots + \mathcal{P}_L + \mathcal{P}}_{\text{primary}} + \underbrace{\bar{\mathcal{P}}}_{\text{last}} \rightarrow 0 \quad \forall \mathcal{P} \in \{\text{Particle of the SM}\}$$

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Problem:

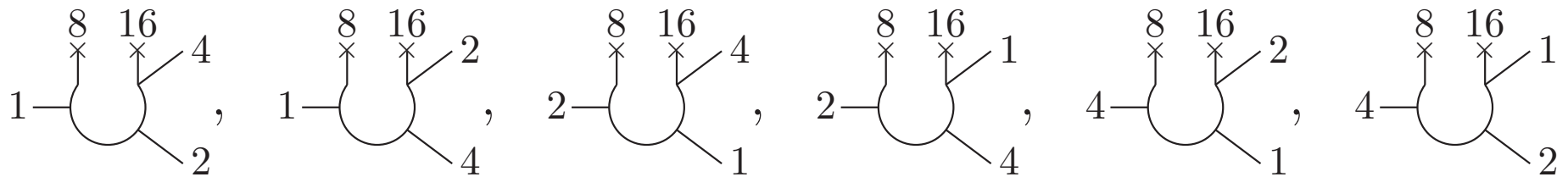
Associated tree diagrams are more than the original loop diagrams:



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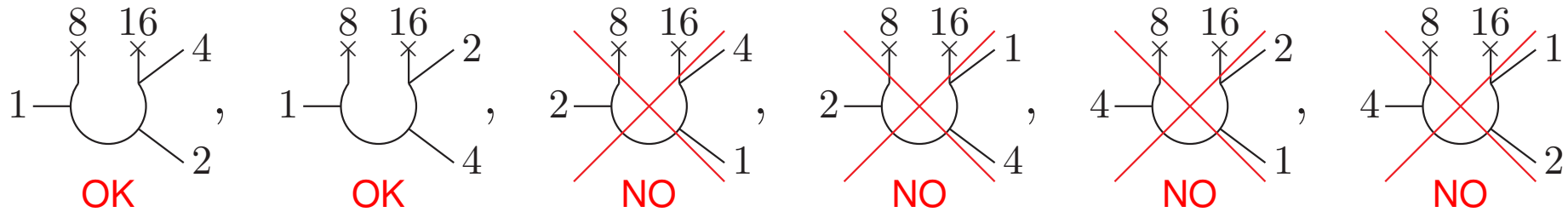
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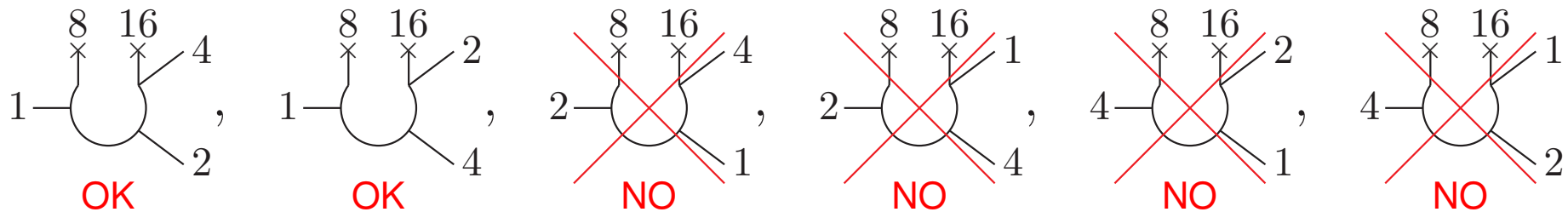
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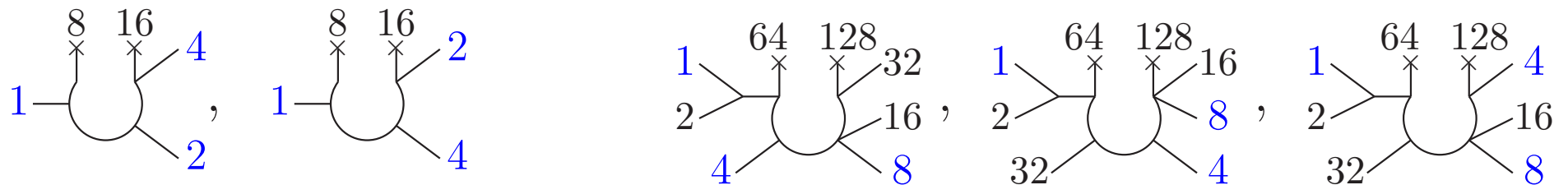
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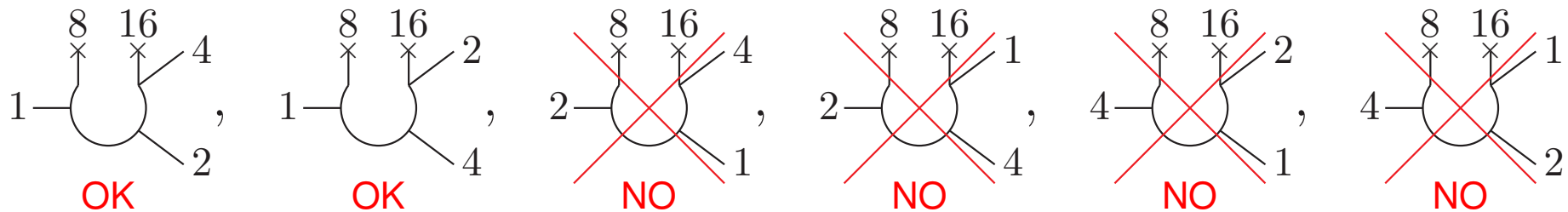
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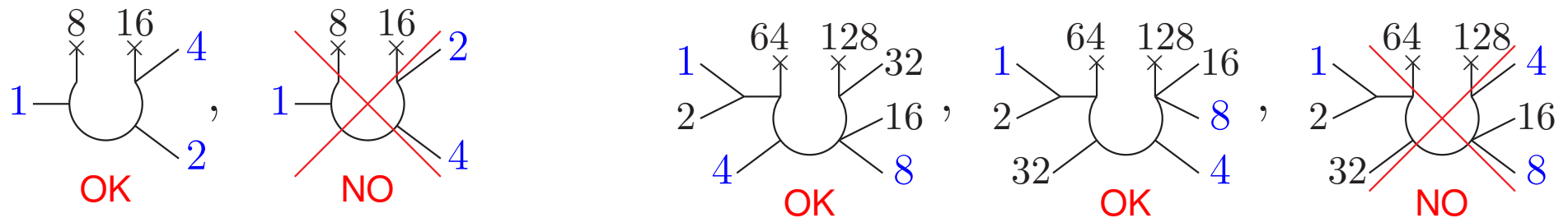
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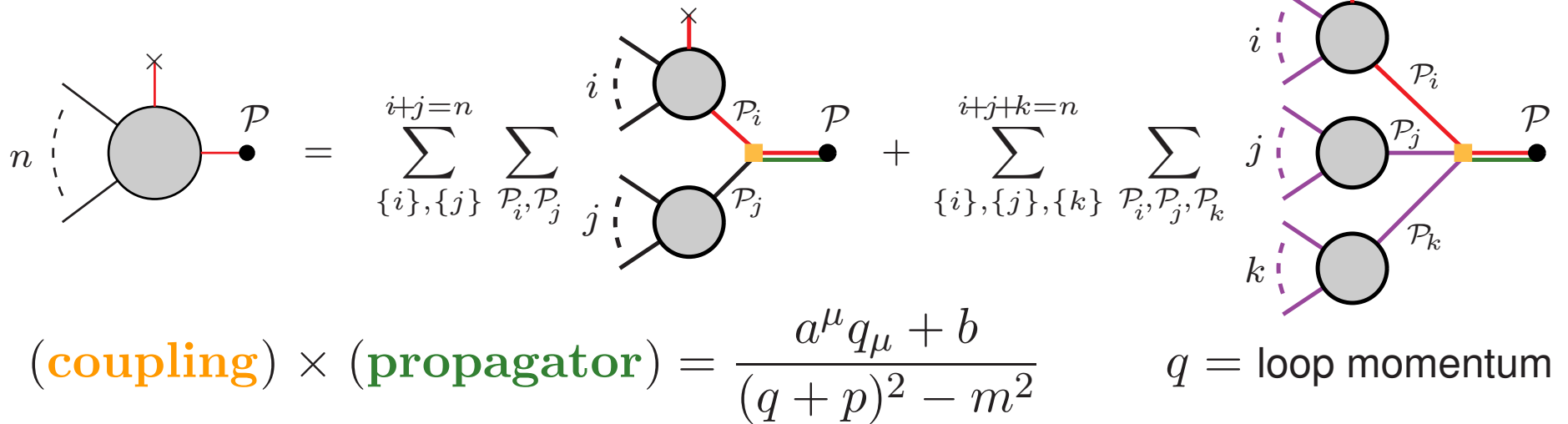
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● Recursion relation for loop currents

$$\begin{aligned}
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 & (\text{coupling}) \times (\text{propagator}) = \frac{a^\mu q_\mu + b}{(q+p)^2 - m^2} \quad q = \text{loop momentum}
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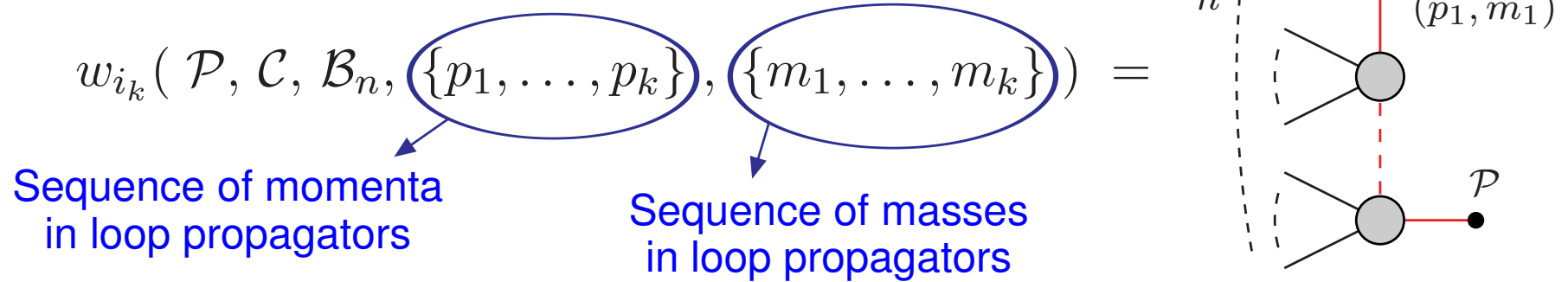
loop current (q) = $\sum_{r=0}^k a_{k,r}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r} \frac{q_{\mu_1} \dots q_{\mu_r}}{\prod_{h=0}^k [(q + p_h)^2 - m_h^2]}$

number of propagators $\rightarrow k$
 rank $\rightarrow r=0$
 $a_{k,r}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}$ computed in the recursion relation
 $\frac{q_{\mu_1} \dots q_{\mu_r}}{\prod_{h=0}^k [(q + p_h)^2 - m_h^2]}$ goes in the TIs

Remark: Indices μ_1, \dots, μ_r are symmetrized at each step

● The coefficients $a_{k,r}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}$ of the last current give the TCs $c_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r t}^{(t)}$

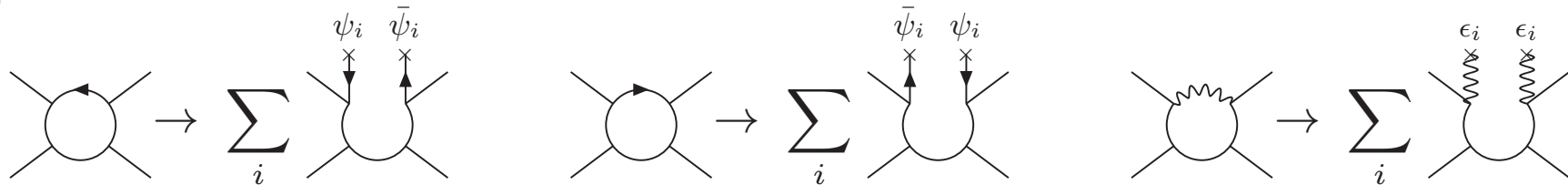
Loop off-shell currents



- i_k is the tensorial index:

$i_k = 0$	\rightarrow	$w_{i_k} = a_{k,0}$
$i_k = 1, \dots, 4$	\rightarrow	$w_{i_k} = a_{k,1}^{\mu_1}$
$i_k = 5, \dots, 14$	\rightarrow	$w_{i_k} = a_{k,2}^{\mu_1 \mu_2}$
...		

- Special wave functions for the cutted line:



where the components are $(\psi_i)_j = (\bar{\psi}_i)_j = \delta_{ij}$, $\epsilon_i^\mu = \delta_{i\mu}$.

Treatment of the colour

Color-flow representation [Maltoni, Paul, Stelzer, Willenbrock '02]:

Gluon field : $\sqrt{2} A_\mu^a (\lambda^a)^i_j = (A_\mu)^i_j$ gluon with color-flow $\begin{matrix} i \\ j \end{matrix}$

“usual” gluon with color index $a = 1, \dots, 8$

$i, j = 1, 2, 3$
 $\sum_i (A_\mu)^i_i = 0$

Feynman rules:

- Multiply gluon fields A_μ^a by $(\lambda^a)^i_j / \sqrt{2}$ and use properties of $(\lambda^a)^i_j$
- The color part of the Feynman rules is just product of deltas:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \begin{matrix} i_1 & & j_2 \\ & \text{oooo} & \\ j_1 & & i_2 \end{matrix} &= \begin{matrix} i_1 & \leftarrow & j_2 \\ j_1 & \rightarrow & i_2 \end{matrix} \times \frac{-i g_{\mu\nu}}{p^2} = \delta_{j_2}^{i_1} \delta_{j_1}^{i_2} \times \frac{-i g_{\mu\nu}}{p^2} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

Structure of amplitude:

$$A_{j_1 \dots j_n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} = \sum_{P(j_1, \dots, j_n)} \delta_{j_1}^{i_1} \dots \delta_{j_n}^{i_n} A_P$$

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● Colour-dressed amplitudes:

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Squared amplitude:
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- Structure-dressed (or colour-ordered) amplitudes:

→ Compute \mathcal{A}_P for all possible P ($n!$)

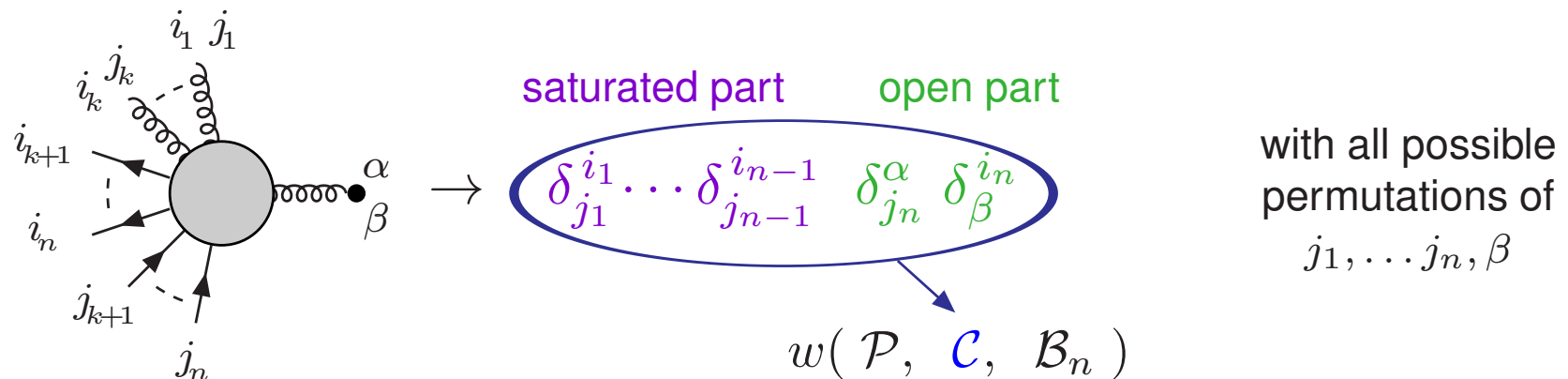
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Structure-dressed off-shell currents

Colour structure of off-shell current:



In the recursion procedure:

- **Saturated parts** of incoming currents **multiply**
- **Open parts** of incoming currents are **contracted**

Optimization: Compute once currents differing just by the colour structure

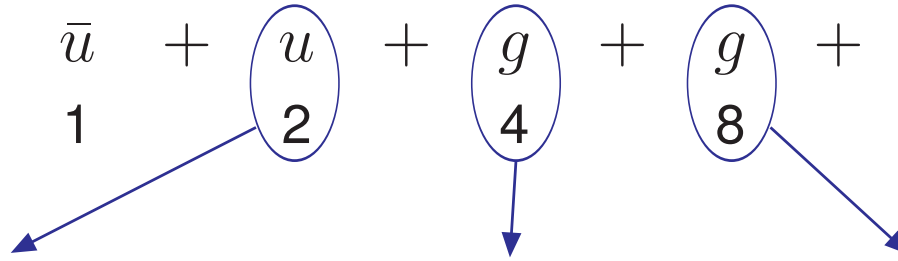
↪ **Overcome lack of colour factorization**

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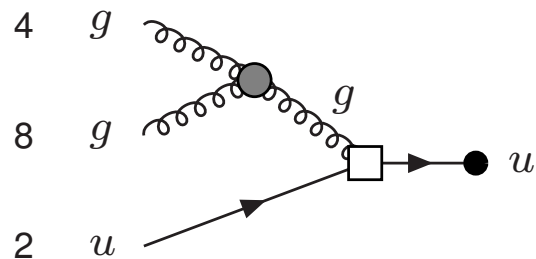
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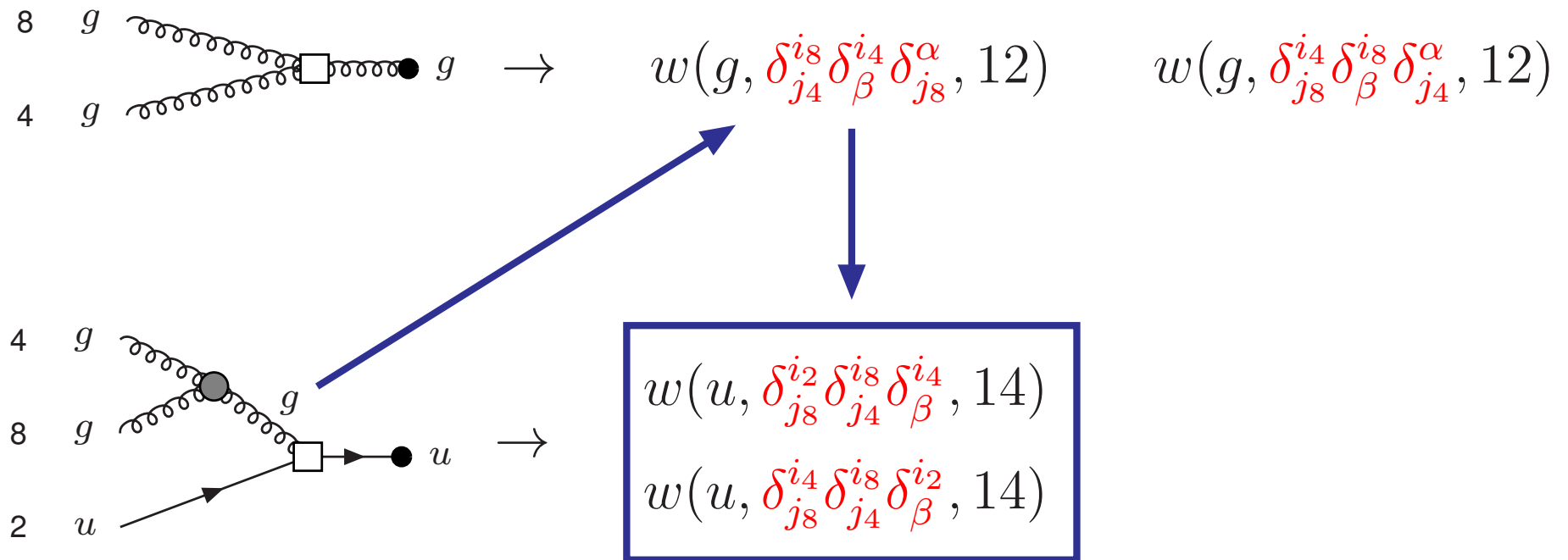
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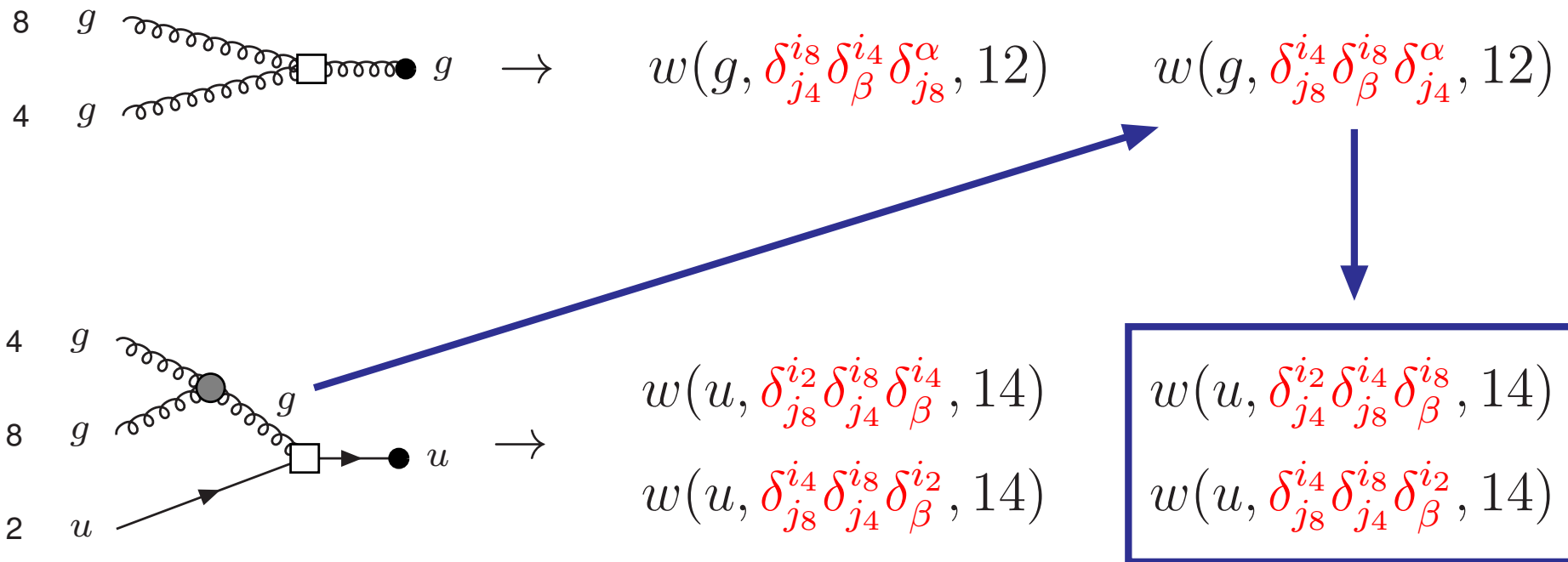
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(the momenta $p(1:legs, 0:3)$ come from MC)

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Outlook

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- Allow extensions to other Models
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Binary numbers $1, 2, 4, 8, \dots, 2^{L-1}$ for the primary legs

$\{l_1, \dots, l_n\}$ can be expressed by $\mathcal{B}_n = \text{sum of the } n \text{ binaries}$

Example: $\{1, 2, 8\} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_3 = 1 + 2 + 8 = 11$

Note: The off-shell currents just keep trace of the primary legs used to build them, not the way it has been done.

Example: Process $e^- + e^+ + \tau^+ + \tau^- \rightarrow 0$
 1 2 4

