

# Recursive Structure of Four-Point Fishnet Integrals

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Can this carry over to  $D > 2$ ?

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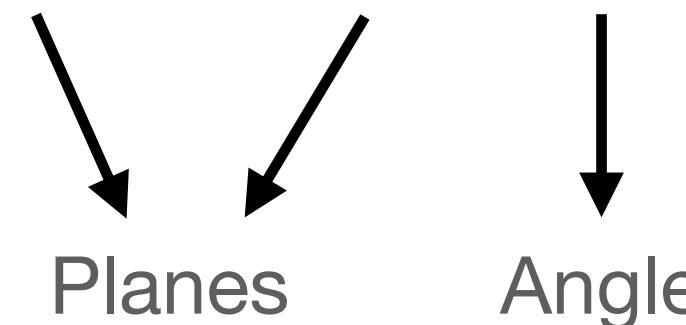
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c.f. five-point kinematics

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5$$



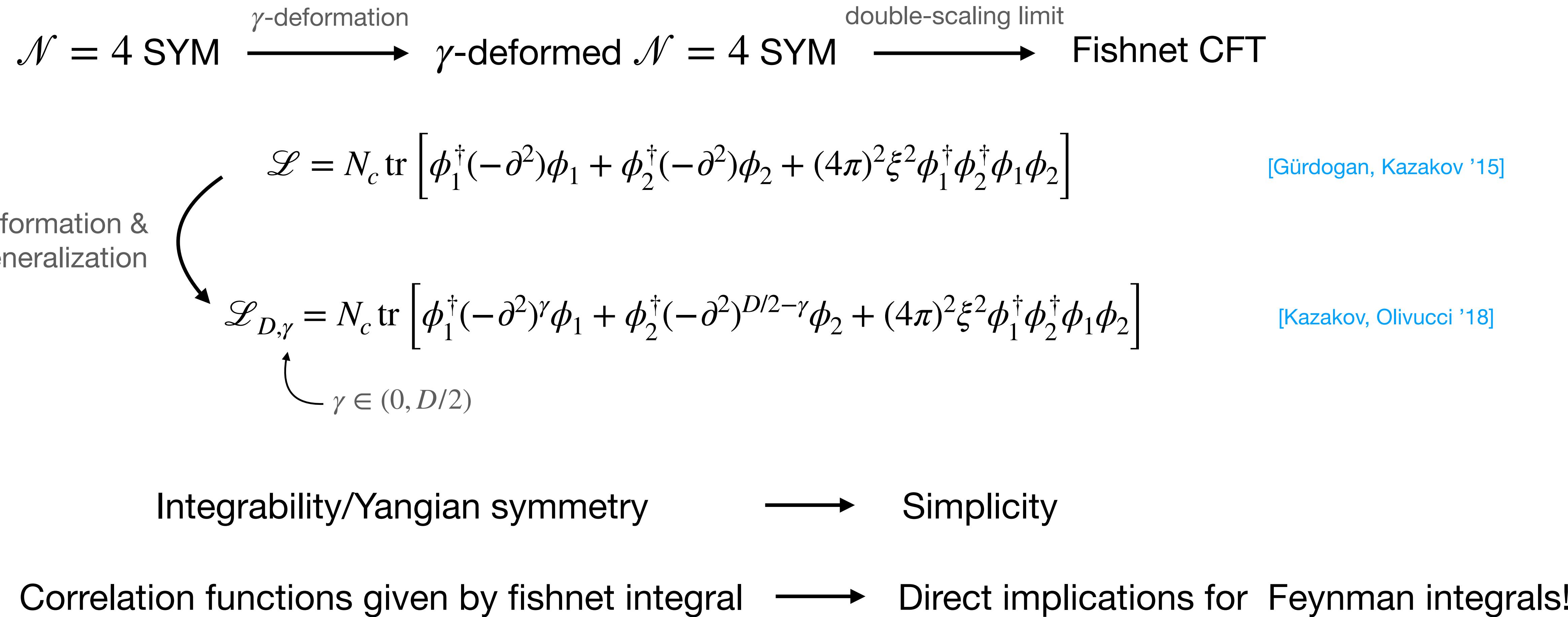
$$z_1, \bar{z}_1, \quad z_2, \bar{z}_2, \quad w$$



[Buric, Lacroix, Mann, Quintavalle, Schomerus '21]

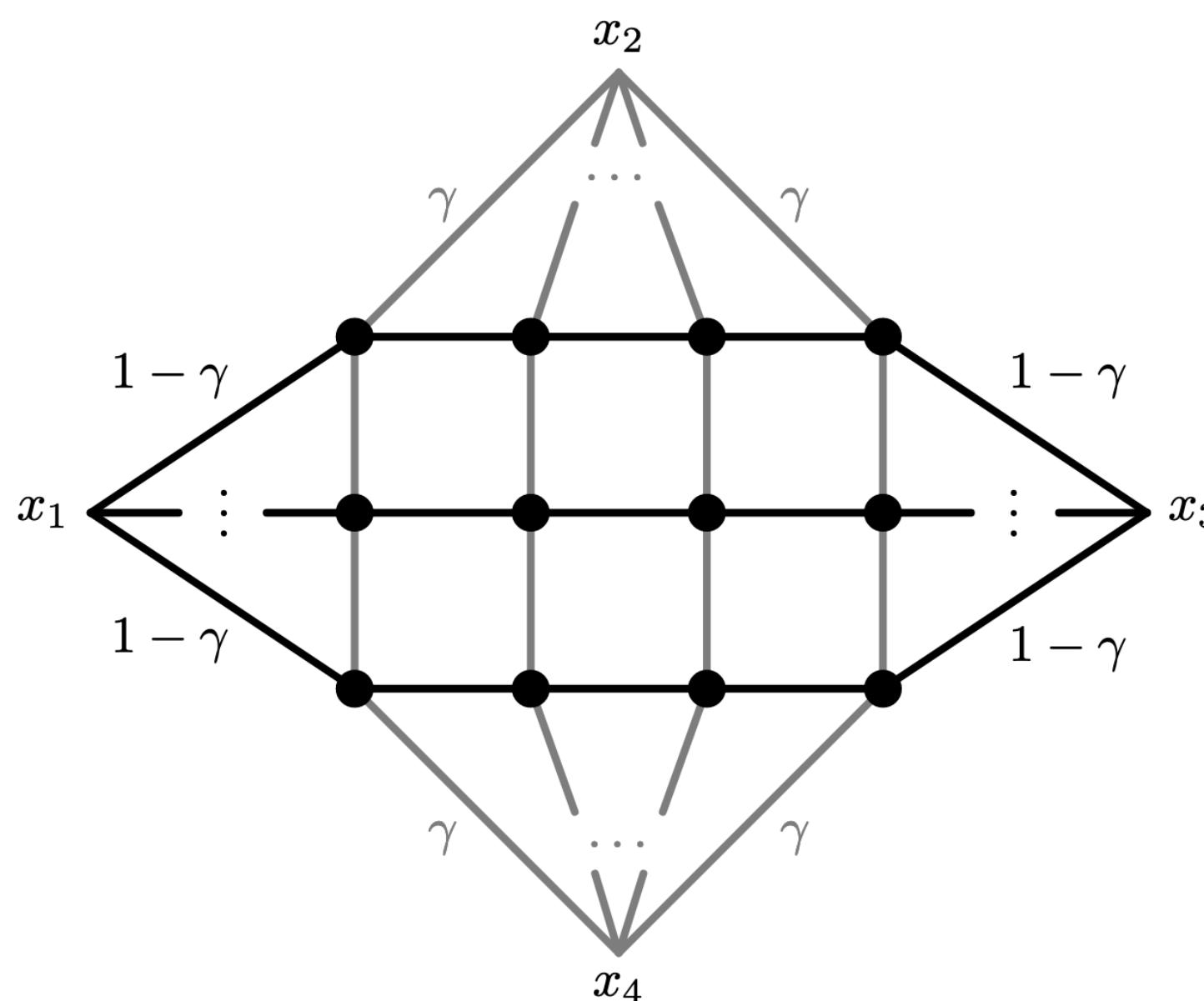
In  $D = 2$ :  $w = 0$  or  $w = 1$ !

# Fishnet CFT



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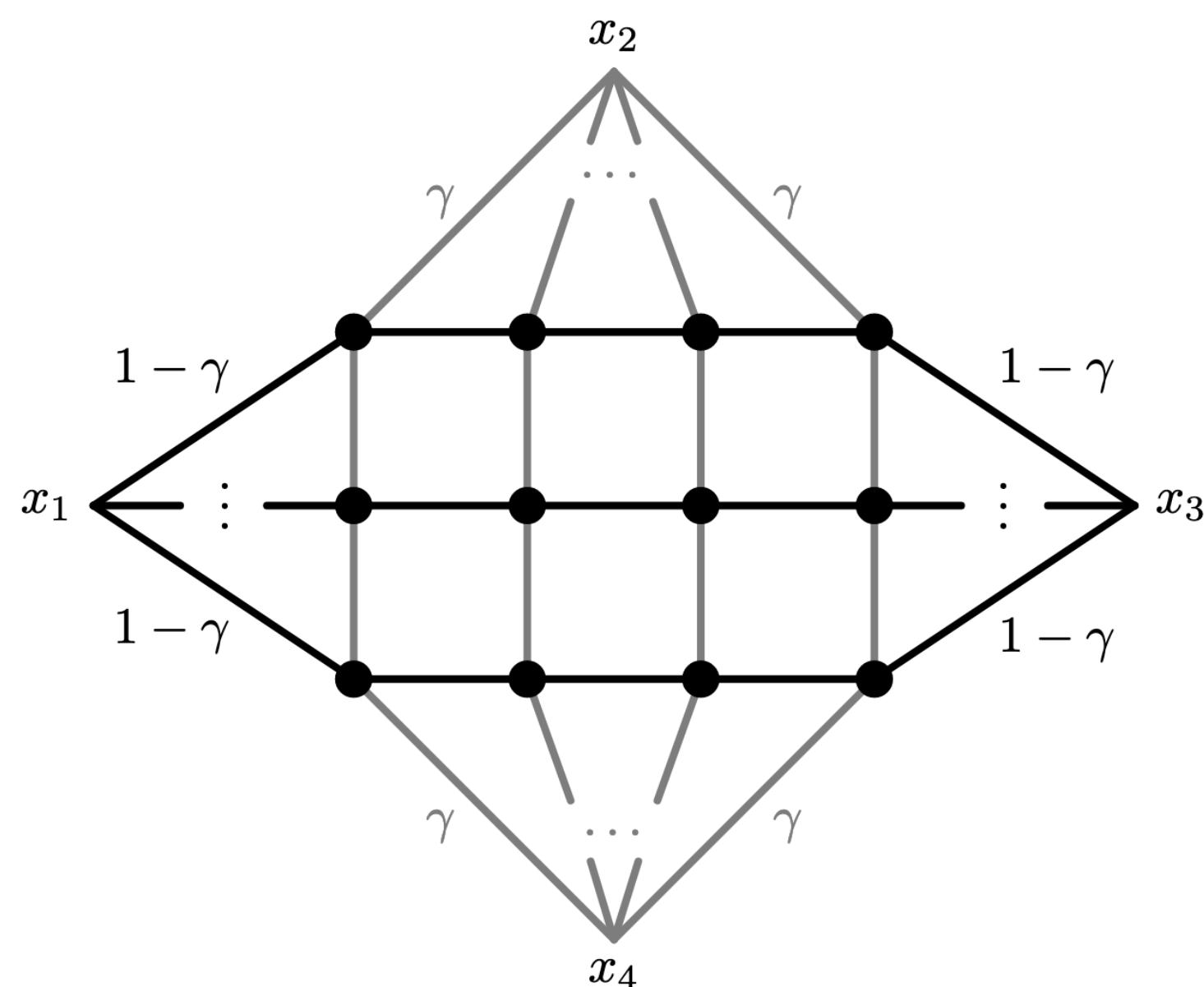


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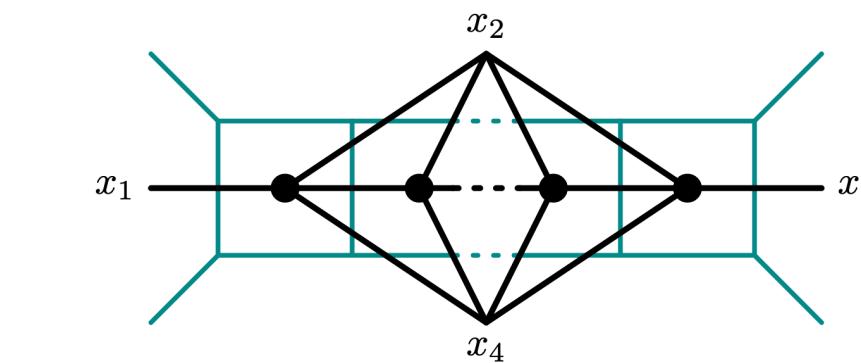


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z  $\partial_z$

Ladder integrals

$\sim |F_{L+1}|^2$

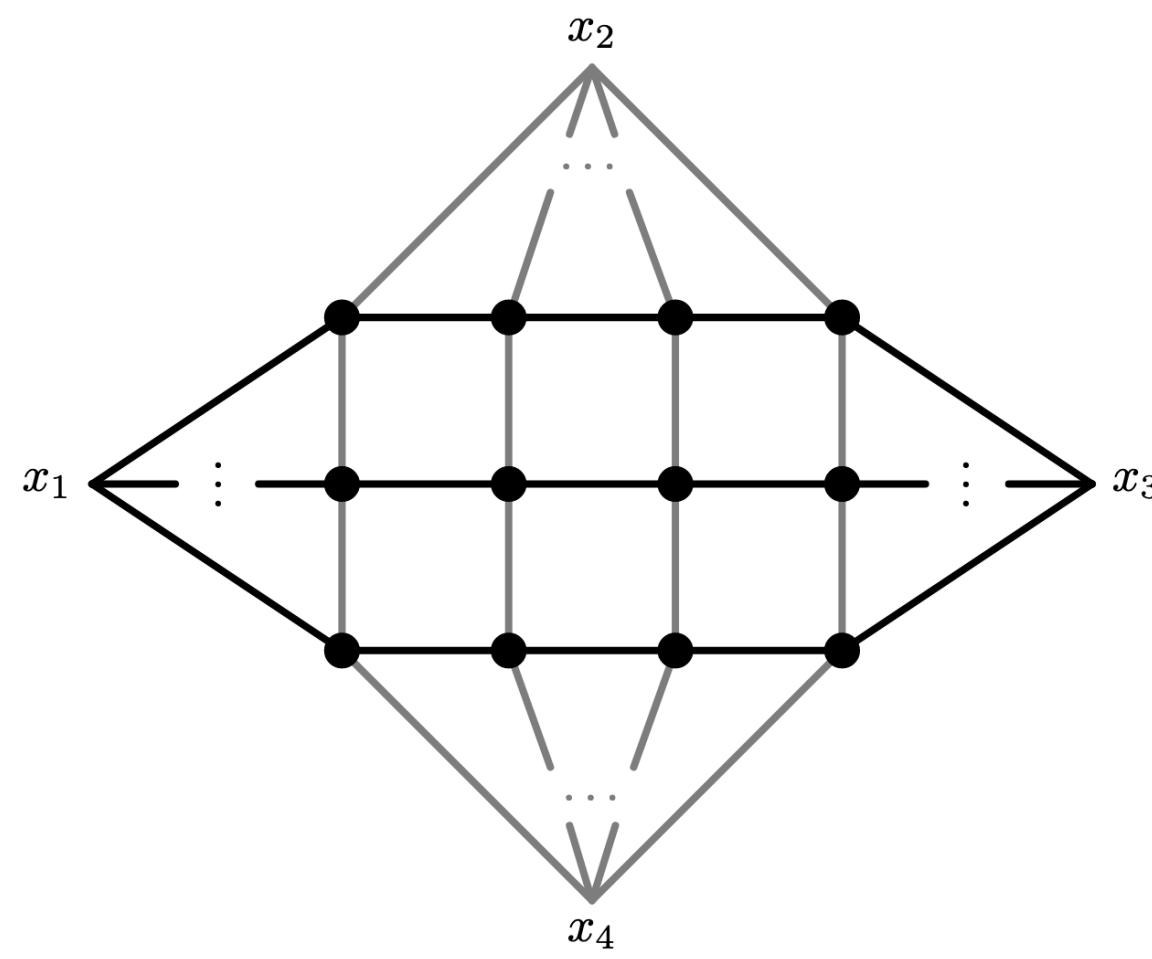


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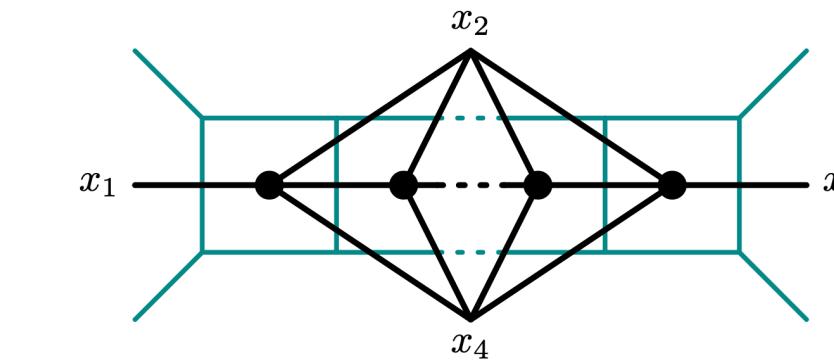
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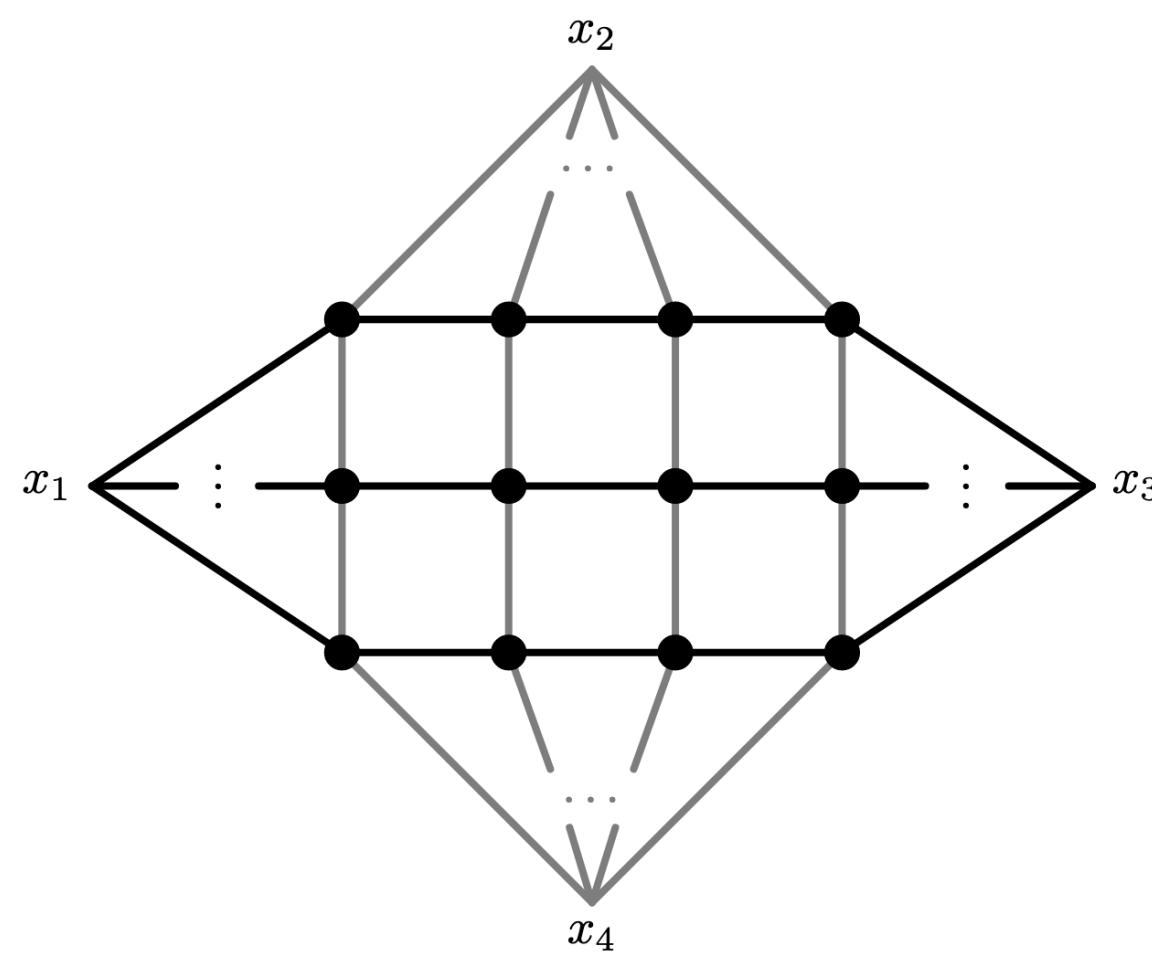


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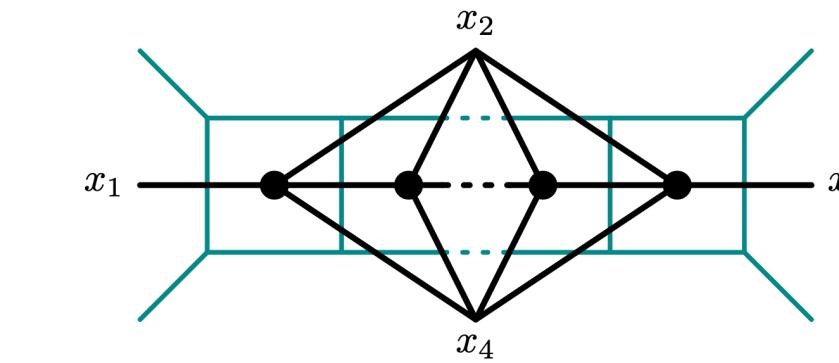
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Also factorized! Relation to  $D = 2$  factorization?

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Embedding space  
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Schwinger trick

Some more tricks

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Simplifies for  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = D$   $\longrightarrow$  Conformal Symmetry!

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# Conformal Schwinger Parametrization

**Generally:**

$$I = \prod_i \left( \int_0^\infty dt_i t_i^{a_i-1} \right) \exp \left( - \sum_{i,j} \alpha_{ij} x_{ij}^2 \right)$$

↑  
Schwinger parameters

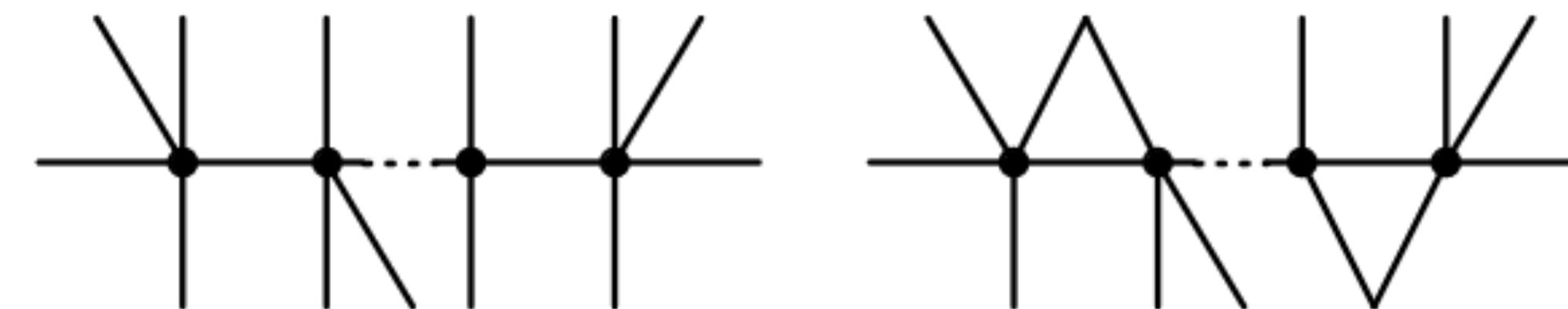
↑  
Sums of Schwinger parameters

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Graph Topology

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Propagators

# Important case: track-like integrals

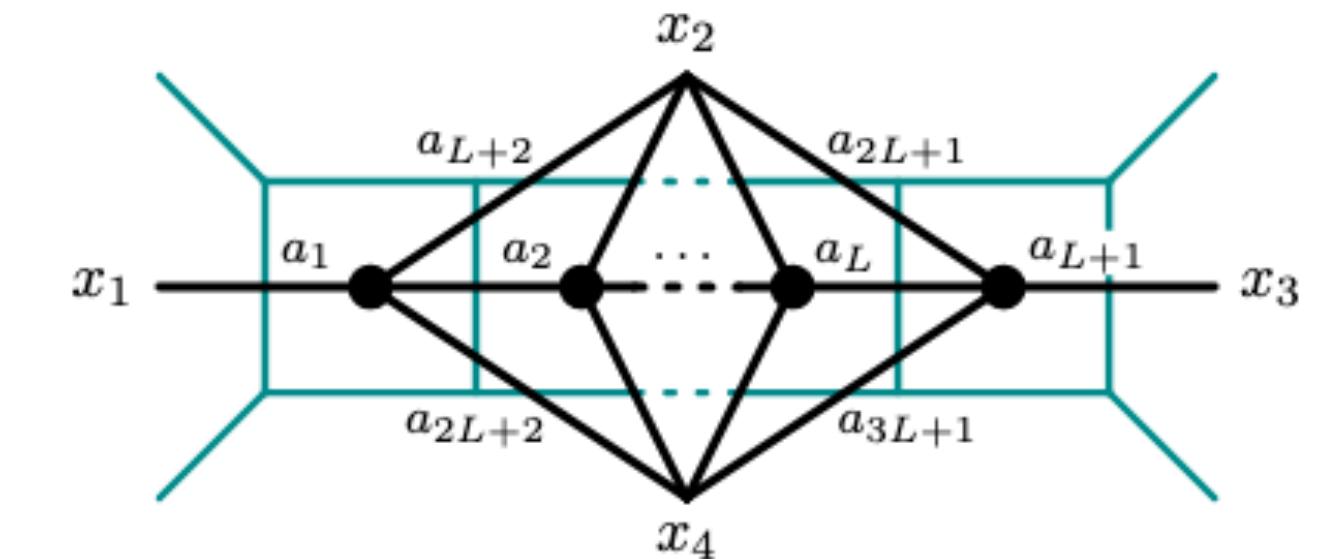
# → Dimensional recursion



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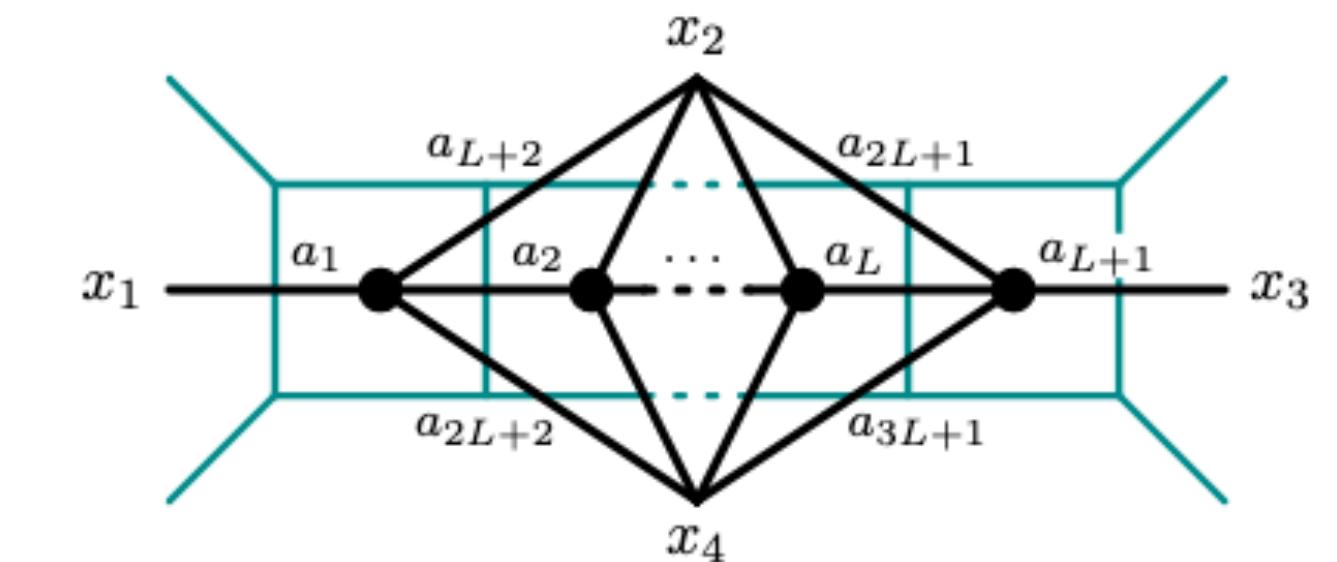
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$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{13}^2} I_L = \prod_i \left( \int_0^\infty \frac{dt_i t_i^{a_i-1}}{\Gamma(a_i)} \right) t_1 \dots t_{L+1} \exp(-t_1 \dots t_{L+1} x_{13}^2 + \dots)$$

Raises  $a_1, \dots, a_{L+1}$  by 1

Conformal constraints

Raises  $D$  by 2!



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Conformally invariant statement

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Known  $D = 2$  result  $\longrightarrow$  Conformal ladders in all even  $D$

[Duhr, Porkert '23]

[Loebbert, SFS '24]

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Single-valued hypergeometric function  
 $\Pi_L(z)^\dagger \Sigma_L \Pi_L(z)$

# Corollary: Calabi-Yau in Higher Dimensions

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[See talk by Christoph]

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Intersection form

Bilinear in Calabi-Yau periods

Calabi-Yau periods

The diagram illustrates the mathematical relationships between different components. At the top right, the equation  $\phi_{D=2}(z, \bar{z}) = \Pi(z)^\dagger \Sigma \Pi(z)$  is shown, with the text "Bilinear in Calabi-Yau periods" to its right. Below this, the text "Calabi-Yau periods" is centered. A curved arrow points from the text "Calabi-Yau periods" up towards the equation. To the left of the equation, the text "Intersection form" is centered, with a straight arrow pointing upwards towards the same curved arrow.

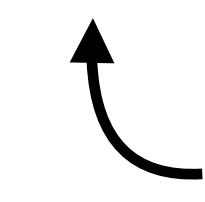
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Dimensional  
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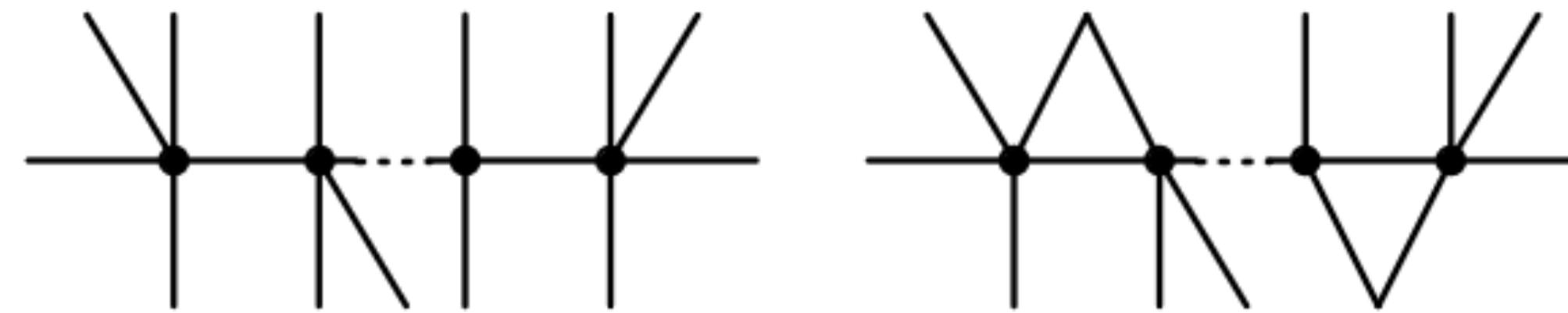
→ Ladder integrals in even  $D$  with  $a_{\text{vert}} = 1/2$ ,  $a_{\text{hor}} = (D - 1)/2$

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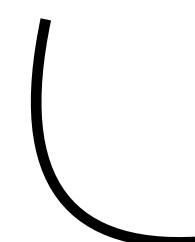
Bilinear in derivatives of Calabi-Yau periods!

# Dimensional recursion beyond ladders

Extends to any track-like integral, can make external propagators massive



Beyond 4 points: 2D kinematics  $\neq$  generic kinematics



Recursion only reaches integral on 2D subspace

E.g.  $n = 5$  :

$$z_1, \bar{z}_1, z_2, \bar{z}_2, w \longrightarrow w = 0 \text{ or } w = 1 \text{ in } D = 2$$

$\swarrow$        $\swarrow$        $\searrow$   
Two planes      Two planes      Angle

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# Natural Representation For Dimensional Recursion

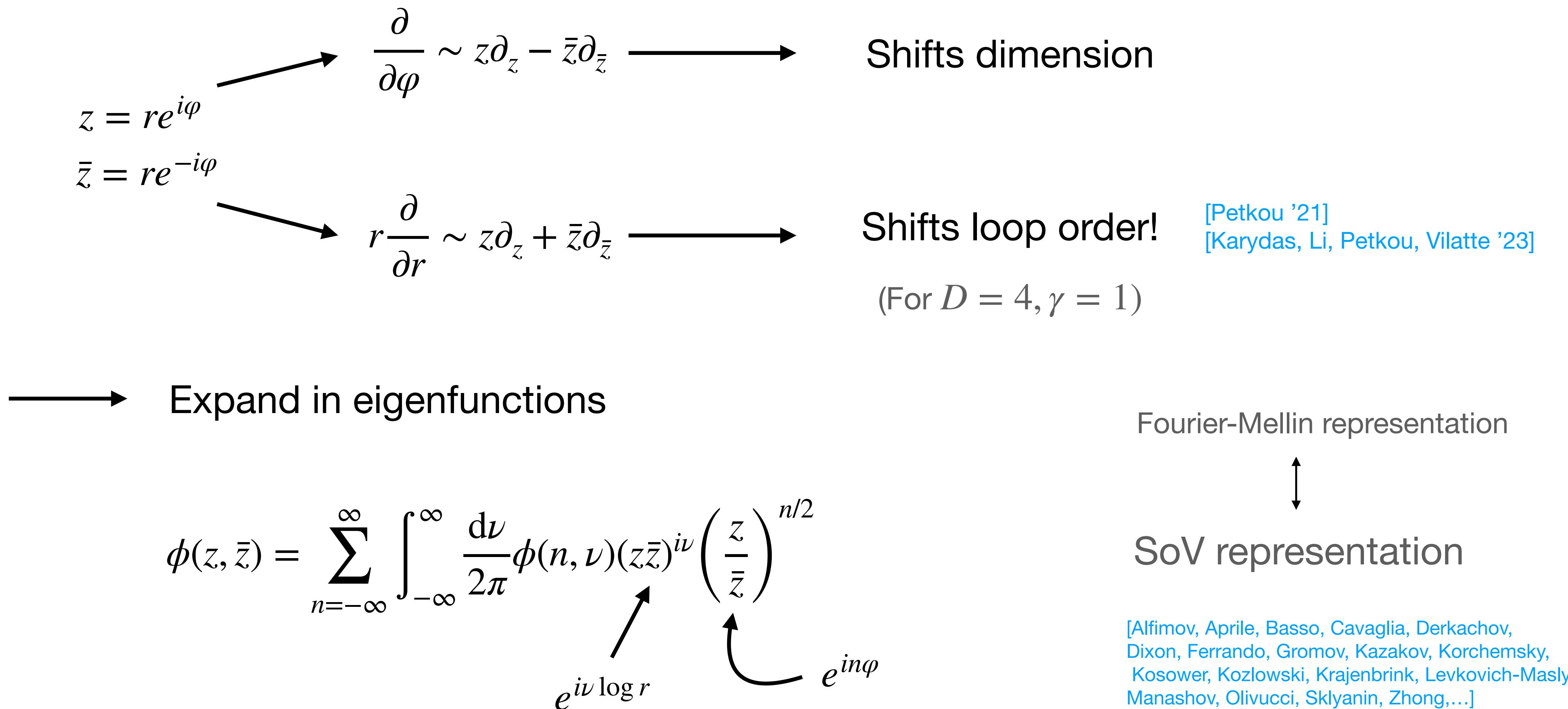
$z\partial_z - \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}$  → Shifts dimension

$z\partial_z + \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}$  → Shifts loop order!  
(For  $D = 4, \gamma = 1$ )

[Petkou '21]  
[Karydas, Li, Petkou, Vilatte '23]

→ Expand in eigenfunctions

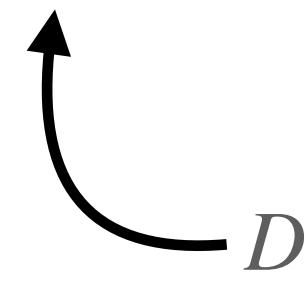
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$D = 2$

$z\partial_z - \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}$

Operator action

[Fleury, Komatsu '16]  
[Derkachov, Olivucci '19, '20]

$$\phi_{4;\gamma}^{(L)}(z, \bar{z}) \sim \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\nu}{2\pi} n \left( (-1)^n \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1-\gamma}{2} + \frac{n}{2} - i\nu\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1-\gamma}{2} - \frac{n}{2} + i\nu\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} + i\nu\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2} - \frac{n}{2} - i\nu\right)} \right)^{L+1} (z\bar{z})^{i\nu} \left(\frac{z}{\bar{z}}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}}$$

$D = 4$

# Loop Recursion

$$(z\partial_z + \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}) L_L(z, \bar{z}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\nu}{2\pi} \frac{2i\nu n}{\left(\nu^2 + \frac{n^2}{4}\right)^{L+1}} (z\bar{z})^{i\nu} \left(\frac{z}{\bar{z}}\right)^{n/2}$$

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$$= -\frac{1}{L} \log(z\bar{z}) L_{L-1}(z, \bar{z}) \quad \text{Reduces loop order!}$$

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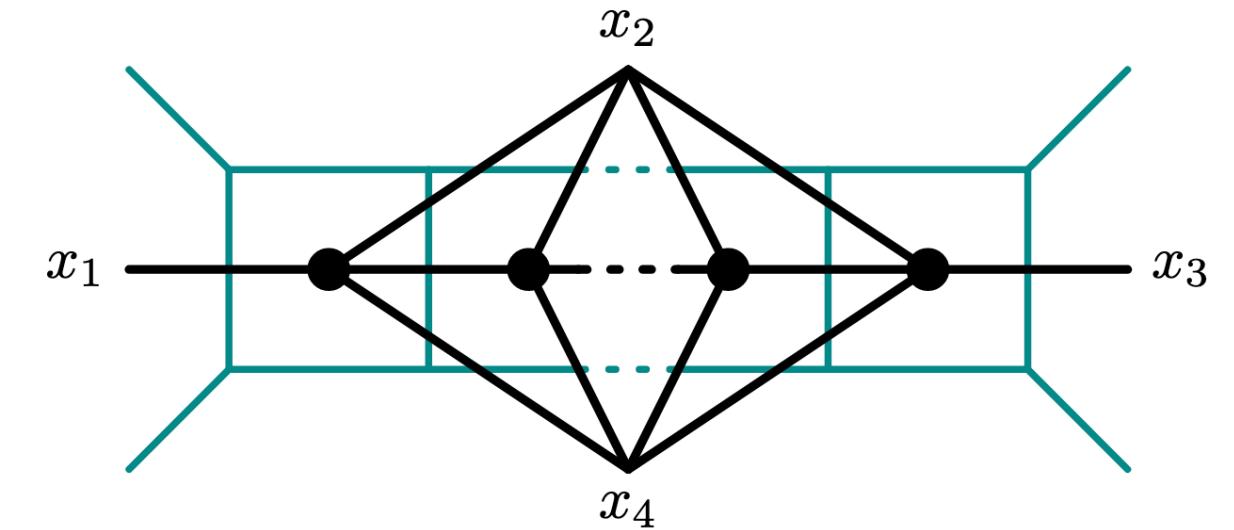
Ladder integrals:

1. vs 2. order

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[Drummond, Henn, Smirnov, Sokatchev '06]  
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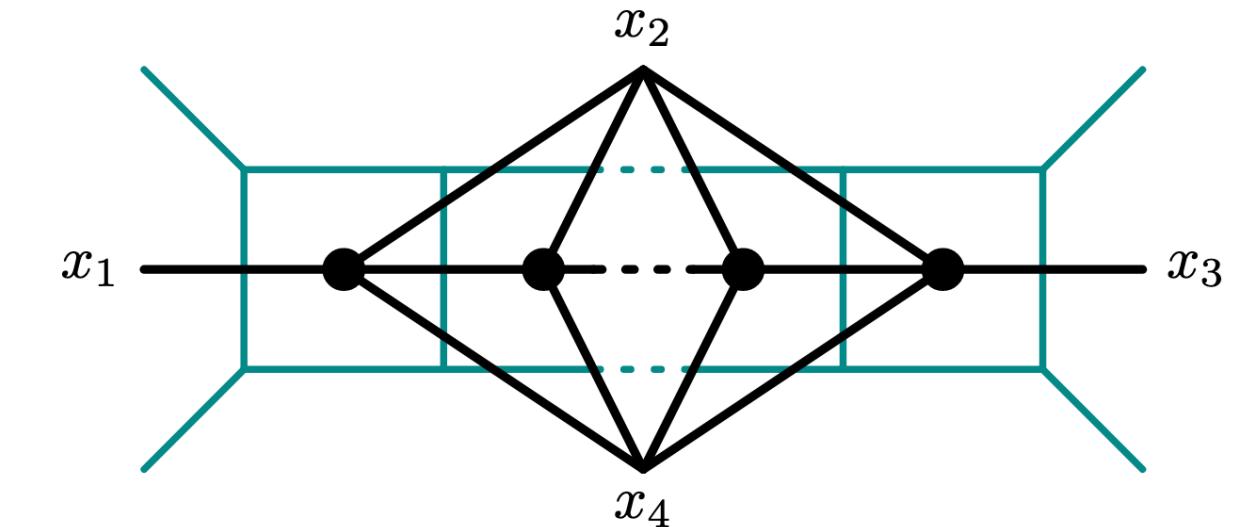
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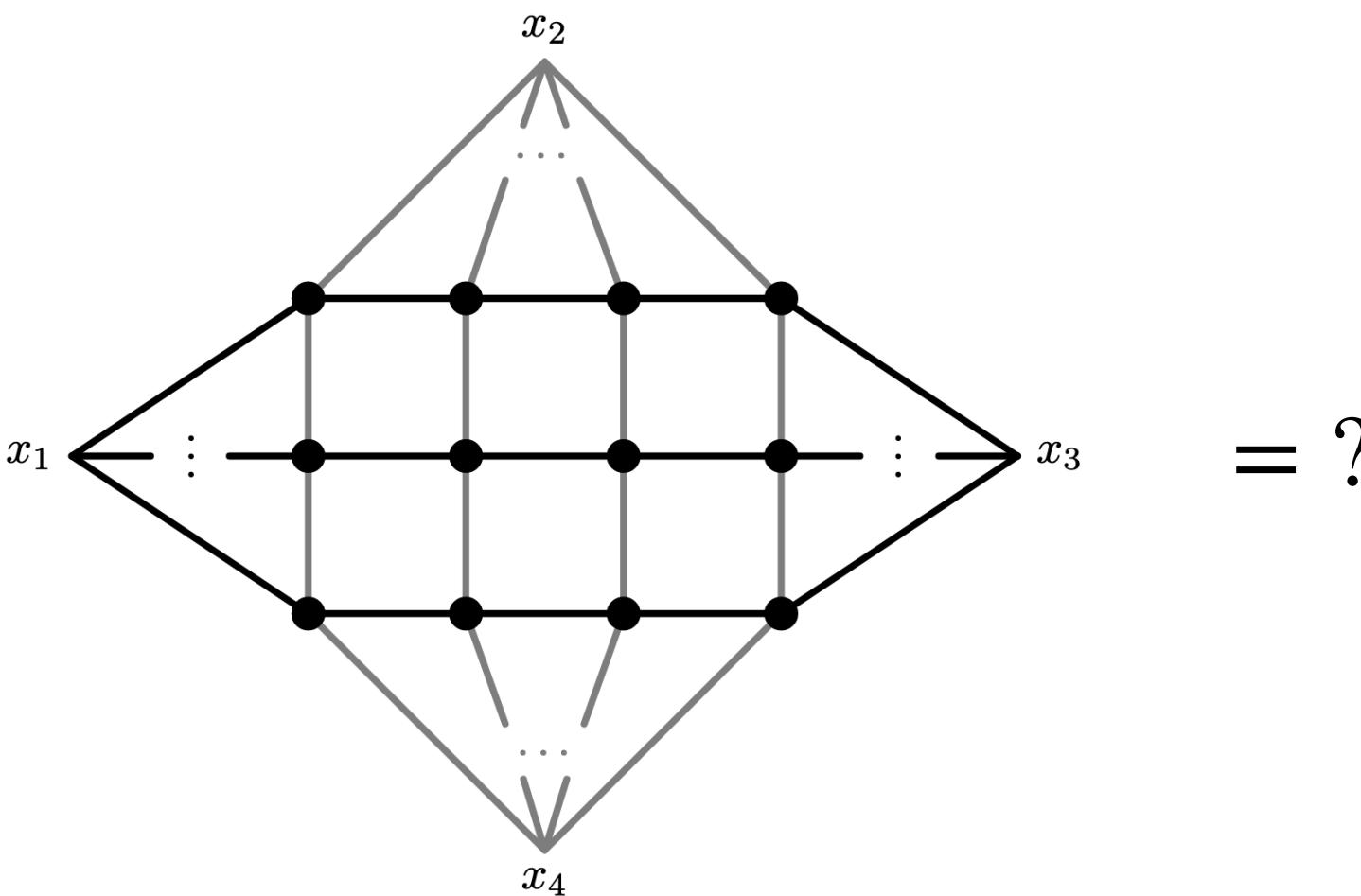
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Also natural action on more general four-point fishnet integrals?

$$-\frac{1}{\log(z\bar{z})} (z\partial_z + \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}})$$



= ?

# Useful warm-up: deformed 2D fishnets

Recall: 2D Basso-Dixon formula

$$= \det_{1 \leq i, j \leq M} \left( \theta^{i-1} \bar{\theta}^{j-1} \phi_{2;\gamma}^{(M+N-1)}(z, \bar{z}) \right) \equiv \Phi_{M,N}$$

Ladder integrals

[Derkachov, Kazakov, Olivucci '18]

Bi-directional Wronskian

Known to satisfy recursive equation: 2D Toda molecule equation

[Ma '11]

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→  $\theta, \bar{\theta}$  map minors of  $\Phi_K$  to minors of  $\Phi_K$

$$\Phi_K = \begin{vmatrix} \phi^{(K)} & \bar{\theta}\phi^{(K)} & \bar{\theta}^2\phi^{(K)} & \dots \\ \theta\phi^{(K)} & \theta\bar{\theta}\phi^{(K)} & \theta\bar{\theta}^2\phi^{(K)} & \dots \\ \theta^2\phi^{(K)} & \theta^2\bar{\theta}\phi^{(K)} & \theta^2\bar{\theta}^2\phi^{(K)} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{vmatrix}$$

# Basso-Dixon Formula as Toda Equation

$$A \begin{bmatrix} i \\ i \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} j \\ j \end{bmatrix} - A \begin{bmatrix} i \\ j \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} j \\ i \end{bmatrix} - A \begin{bmatrix} i & j \\ i & j \end{bmatrix} A \begin{bmatrix} \\ \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

Identity between minors of matrix

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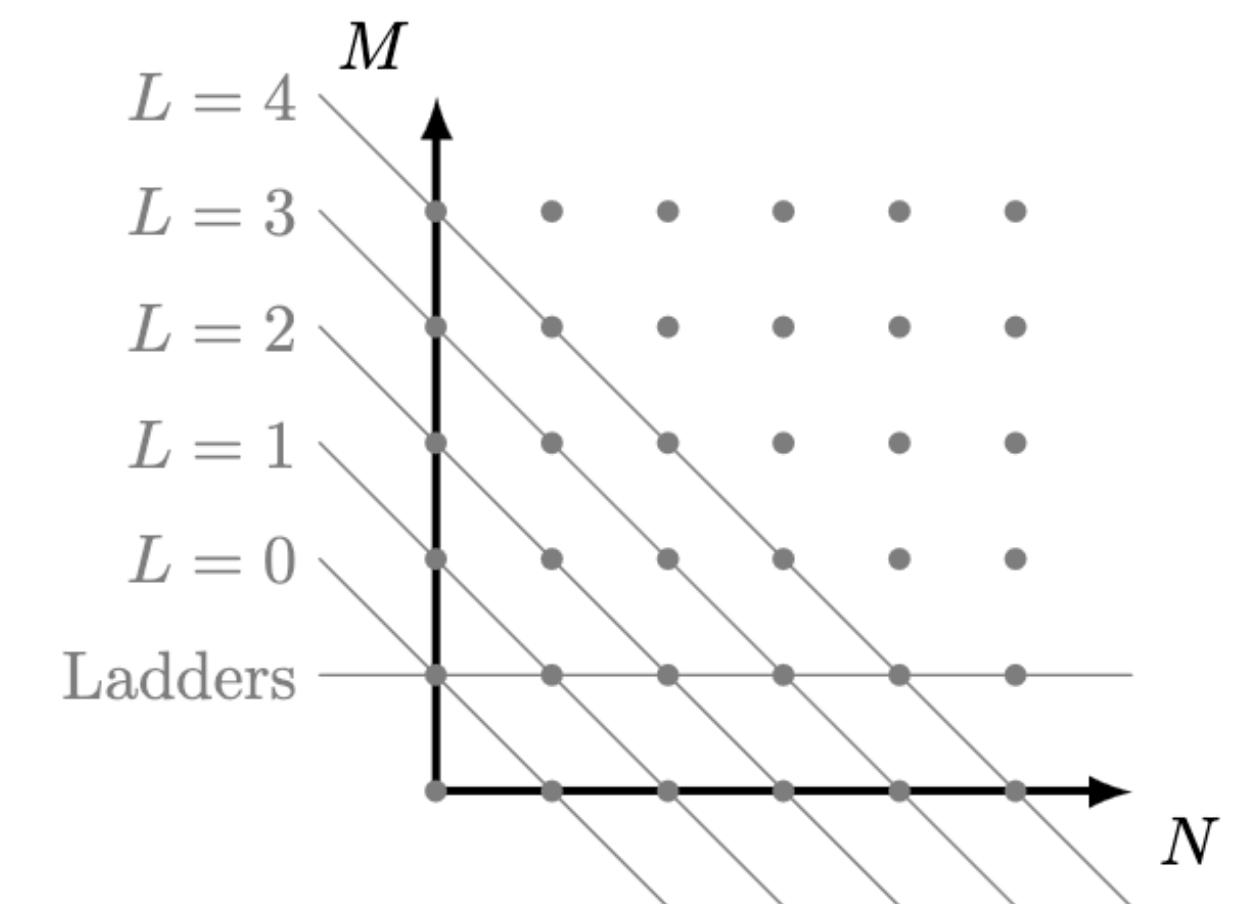
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Recursive equation

$$\Phi_{M,N} \theta \bar{\theta} \Phi_{M,N} - \theta \Phi_{M,N} \bar{\theta} \Phi_{M,N} - \Phi_{M+1,N-1} \Phi_{M-1,N+1} = 0$$

Together with boundary condition  $\Phi_{0,N} = 1$ ,  $\Phi_{1,L} = \phi^{(L)}$   
fully equivalent to Basso-Dixon formula

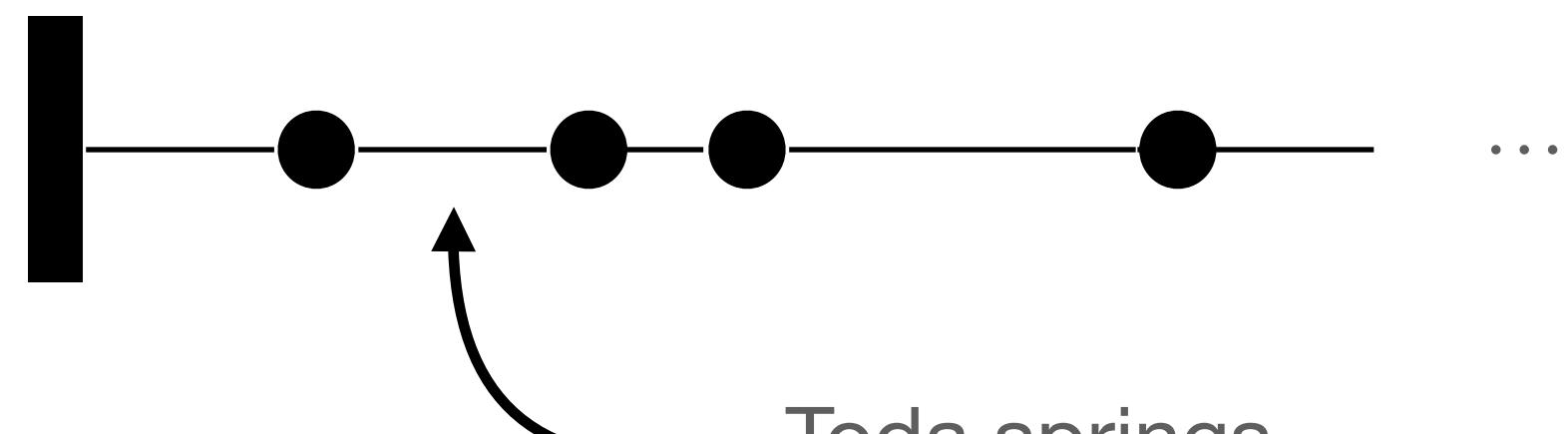


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Known as semi-infinite 2D Toda molecule equation

[Leznov, Saviliev '81]  
[Popowicz '83]  
[Hirota '88]



$$V(r) = \frac{a}{b} (e^{-br} - 1) + ar$$

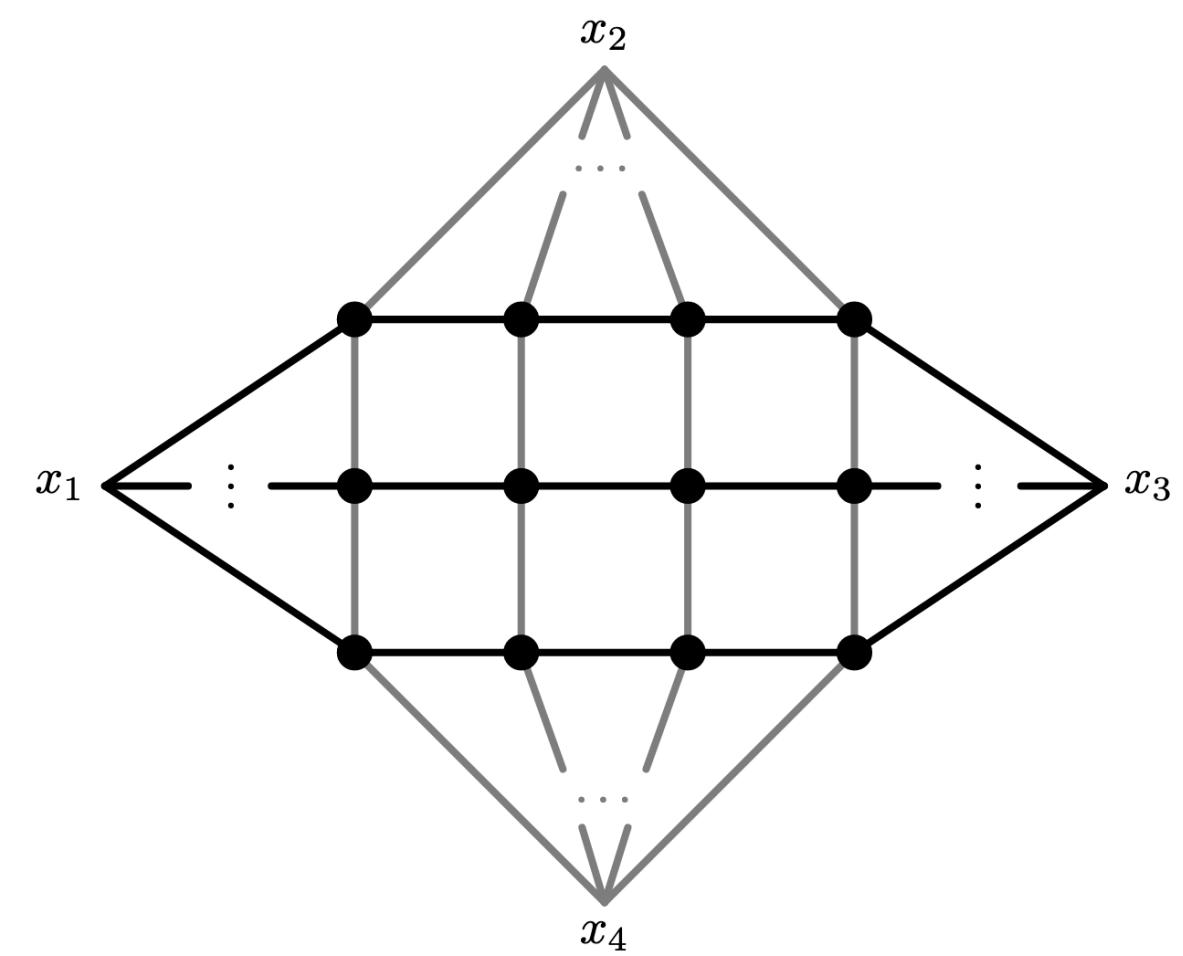
[Toda '70]

→ Classically integrable system!

c.f. [Alexandrov, Bajnok, Beccaria, Belitsky, Boldis, Kanning, Kazakov, Korchemsky, Laurent, Olivucci, Staudacher, Tseytlin, Tsuboi, Vieira, Zabrodin,...]

# Back to 4D fishnets

Recall 4D Basso-Dixon formula



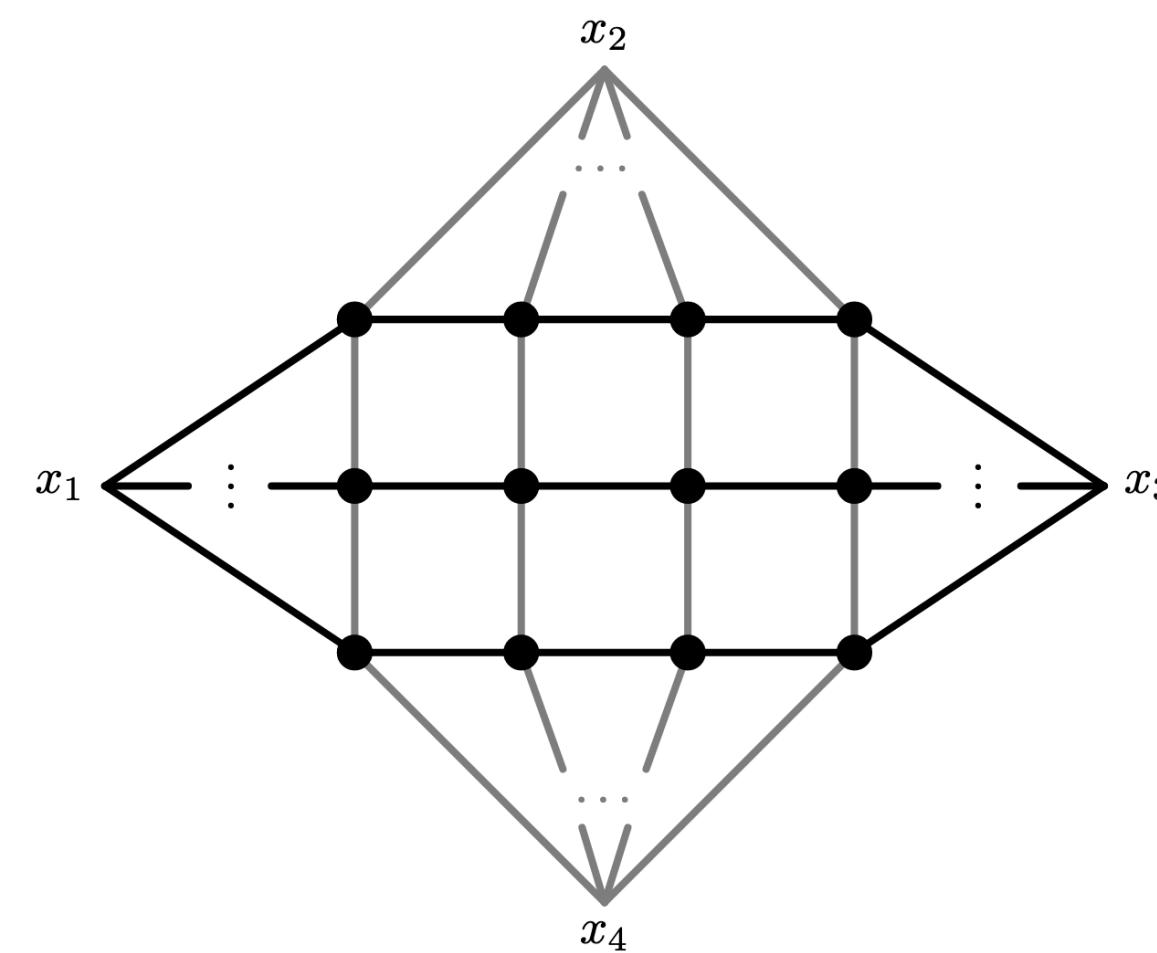
$$= \frac{1}{(z - \bar{z})^M} \det_{1 \leq i, j \leq M} \left( f_{N-M+i+j-1}(z, \bar{z}) \right)$$

[Basso, Dixon '17]

[Basso, Dixon, Kosower, Krajenbrink, Zhong '21]

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{(z - \bar{z})^M} \det_{1 \leq i, j \leq M} \left( f_{N-M+i+j-1}(z, \bar{z}) \right) \\
 &\sim \Psi_{M,N} = \det_{1 \leq i, j \leq M} \left( c_{i+j} R_L^{i+j-2} f_{N+M-1}(z, \bar{z}) \right) \\
 &c_k = (M + N - k)! \quad \text{↗} \quad \text{↑} \quad R_L = -\frac{1}{\log(z\bar{z})} (z\partial_z + \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}})
 \end{aligned}$$

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Wronskian matrix (with coefficients)! → Is there a Toda(-like) equation?

# Toda equation for 4D fishnets?

Again minors are mapped to minors of matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_2 f_K & c_3 R_L f_K & c_4 R_L^2 f_K & \dots \\ c_3 R_L f_K & c_4 R_L^2 f_K & c_5 R_L^3 f_K & \dots \\ c_4 R_L^2 f_K & c_5 R_L^3 f_K & c_6 R_L^4 f_K & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \end{pmatrix}$$

But additional complications due to coefficients! E.g.  $\Psi_{2,4}$

$$R_L \begin{vmatrix} c_2 f_5 & c_3 R_L f_5 \\ c_3 R_L f_5 & c_4 R_L^2 f_5 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \begin{vmatrix} c_2 f_5 & c_4 R_L^2 f_5 \\ c_3 R_L f_5 & c_5 R_L^3 f_5 \end{vmatrix}$$

Additional coefficients

$$R_L^2 \begin{vmatrix} c_2 f_5 & c_3 R_L f_5 \\ c_3 R_L f_5 & c_4 R_L^2 f_5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} c_2 f_5 & c_4 R_L^2 f_5 \\ c_4 R_L^2 f_5 & c_6 R_L^4 f_5 \end{vmatrix} + \mathcal{M}_{2,4}$$

Additional terms

$$1152 \begin{vmatrix} f_2 & f_3 \\ f_3 & f_4 \end{vmatrix}$$

# Toda-like equation for 4D fishnets

Identity between minors of matrix

$$\frac{c_{2M+2}}{c_{2M}} \Psi_{M,N} R_L^2 \Psi_{M,N} - \left( \frac{c_{2M+1}}{c_{2M}} \right)^2 (R_L \Psi_{M,N})^2 - \Psi_{M-1,N+1} \Psi_{M+1,N-1} = \Psi_{M,N} \mathcal{M}_{M,N}$$

Additional coefficients

[Loebbert, SFS '24]

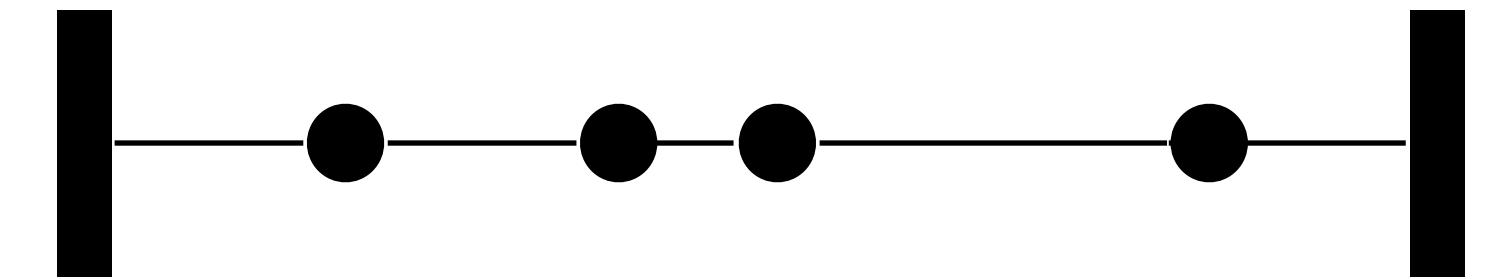
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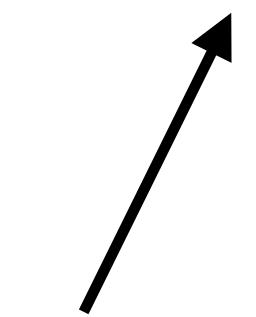
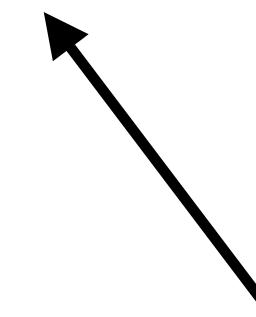


$$\tau_n \ddot{\tau}_n - (\dot{\tau}_n)^2 - \tau_{n-1} \tau_{n+1} = 0 \quad (\text{Almost) 1D Toda molecule equation}$$



$$\frac{c_{2M+2}}{c_{2M}} \Psi_{M,N} R_L^2 \Psi_{M,N} - \left( \frac{c_{2M+1}}{c_{2M}} \right)^2 (R_L \Psi_{M,N})^2 - \Psi_{M-1,N+1} \Psi_{M+1,N-1} = \Psi_{M,N} \mathcal{M}_{M,N}$$

[Loebbert, SFS '24]



Additional coefficients



Additional term

# Fishnet integrals as tau functions?

2D deformed fishnets

$$\Phi_{M,N}\theta\bar{\theta}\Phi_{M,N} - \theta\Phi_{M,N}\bar{\theta}\Phi_{M,N} - \Phi_{M+1,N-1}\Phi_{M-1,N+1} = 0$$

Admits Hirota form  $\longrightarrow$  Solutions are tau functions!

4D undeformed fishnets

$$\frac{c_{2M+2}}{c_{2M}}\Psi_{M,N}R_L^2\Psi_{M,N} - \left(\frac{c_{2M+1}}{c_{2M}}\right)^2(R_L\Psi_{M,N})^2 - \Psi_{M-1,N+1}\Psi_{M+1,N-1} = \Psi_{M,N}\mathcal{M}_{M,N}$$

Close to Hirota form  $\longrightarrow$  ?

# Octagon as tau-function?

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_1(x_1) \dots \mathcal{O}_4(x_4) \rangle \sim \sum_{l=0}^{K/2} \mathbb{O}_l^2$$

$K \gg 1$

Tr  $[(y_1 \cdot \Phi_1(x_1))^K]$  ↪ Octagon form factor

Half-BPS Operator

[Coronado '18]

→ Admits determinant representation

[Kostov, Petkova, Serban '19]  
[Belitsky, Korchemsky '19, '20]

→ 4D Fishnet integrals in weak coupling expansion!

$$\mathbb{O}_l \sim \sum_{M=0}^{\infty} g^{2M(M+l)} [\Psi_{M,M+l} + \mathcal{O}(g^2)]$$

[Belitsky, Korchemsky '20]  
[Olivucci, Vieira '21]

→ Satisfies Toda equations in limits! → Octagon as tau-function?

# Web of Recursions

$(D = 4, \gamma = 1)$

$$R_L = -\frac{z\partial_z + \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}}{\log z\bar{z}}$$

←      Two operators      →

$$R_D = \frac{z\partial_z - \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}}{z - \bar{z}}$$

$\downarrow$

[Petkou '21]  
 [Karydas, Li, Petkou, Vilatte '23]  $R_L L_L \sim L_{L-1}$  Loop recursion

$\downarrow$

Toda (like) equation [Loebbert, SFS '24]

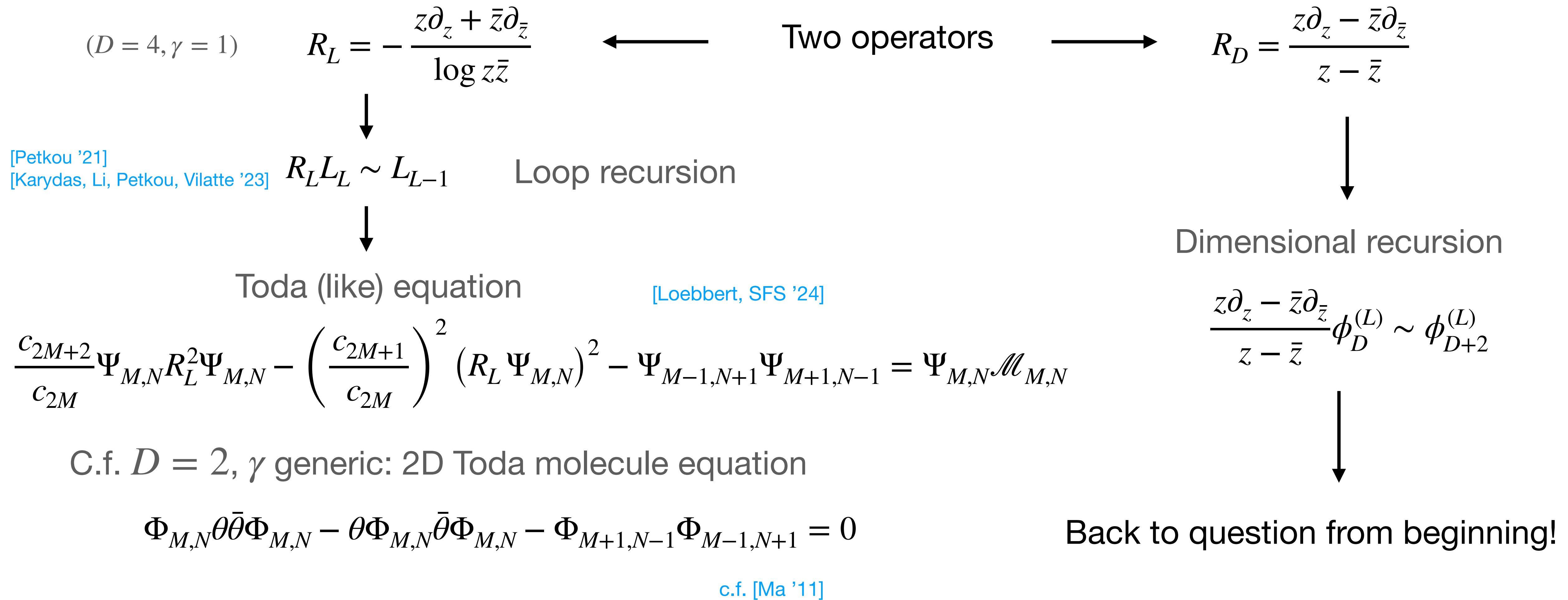
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C.f.  $D = 2, \gamma$  generic: 2D Toda molecule equation

$$\Phi_{M,N} \theta \bar{\theta} \Phi_{M,N} - \theta \Phi_{M,N} \bar{\theta} \Phi_{M,N} - \Phi_{M+1,N-1} \Phi_{M-1,N+1} = 0$$

c.f. [Ma '11]

# Web of Recursions



# General 2D Feynman Integrals

## Factorization

External points     $z_i = x_i^1 + ix_i^2$



Measure

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Double Copy!

$$\phi(\mathbf{z}, \bar{\mathbf{z}}) = \Pi(\mathbf{z})^\dagger \Sigma \Pi(\mathbf{z})$$

[Duhr, Porkert '23]



Lift to higher dimensions!

# Double Copy in Higher Dimension

Double copy in 2D

$$\phi_{D=2}^{(L)}(z, \bar{z}) = \Pi(z)^\dagger \Sigma \Pi(z)$$

Dimensional recursion

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{D=4}^{(L)}(z, \bar{z}) &\sim \frac{z\partial_z - \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}}{z - \bar{z}} \Pi(z)^\dagger \Sigma \Pi(z) = \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}} \left[ \Pi(z)^\dagger \Sigma (z\partial_z \Pi(z)) - (z\partial_z \Pi(z))^\dagger \Sigma \Pi(z) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}} \begin{pmatrix} \Pi(z) \\ z\partial_z \Pi(z) \end{pmatrix}^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Sigma \\ -\Sigma & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Pi(z) \\ z\partial_z \Pi(z) \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Again in double copy form!

# Double Copy in Higher Dimension

Special propagator powers from limits

$$\phi_{D=4, \gamma=1}^{(1)}(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}} \Pi(z)^\dagger \Sigma \Pi(z)$$
$$= \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}} \left[ \pi_0(z)^\dagger \sigma_0 \pi_0(z) + \pi_{-1}(z)^\dagger \sigma_0 \pi_1(z) + \pi_1(z)^\dagger \sigma_0 \pi_{-1}(z) \right]$$

Different form, but still double copy

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$$\mathcal{O}((\gamma - 1)^2) \quad \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\gamma - 1}\right)$$

4D unit propagator  
power box

$$= \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}} [\pi_0(z)^\dagger \sigma_0 \pi_0(z) + \pi_{-1}(z)^\dagger \sigma_0 \pi_1(z) + \pi_1(z)^\dagger \sigma_0 \pi_{-1}(z)]$$

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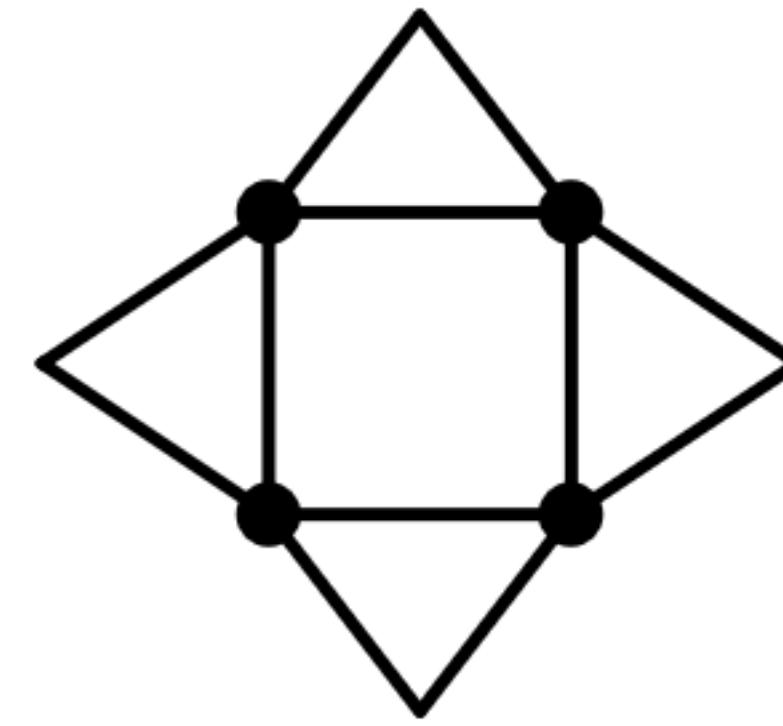
$$= \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}} \left[ 2\text{Li}_2(z) - 2\text{Li}_2(\bar{z}) + \log(z\bar{z}) \log\left(\frac{1-z}{1-\bar{z}}\right) \right]$$

Bloch Wigner!

# Double Copy for 4D Basso-Dixon

Basso-Dixon formula for window

$$\phi^{(2,2)}(z, \bar{z}) \sim \frac{1}{(z - \bar{z})^2} (f_1 f_3 - f_2^2)$$

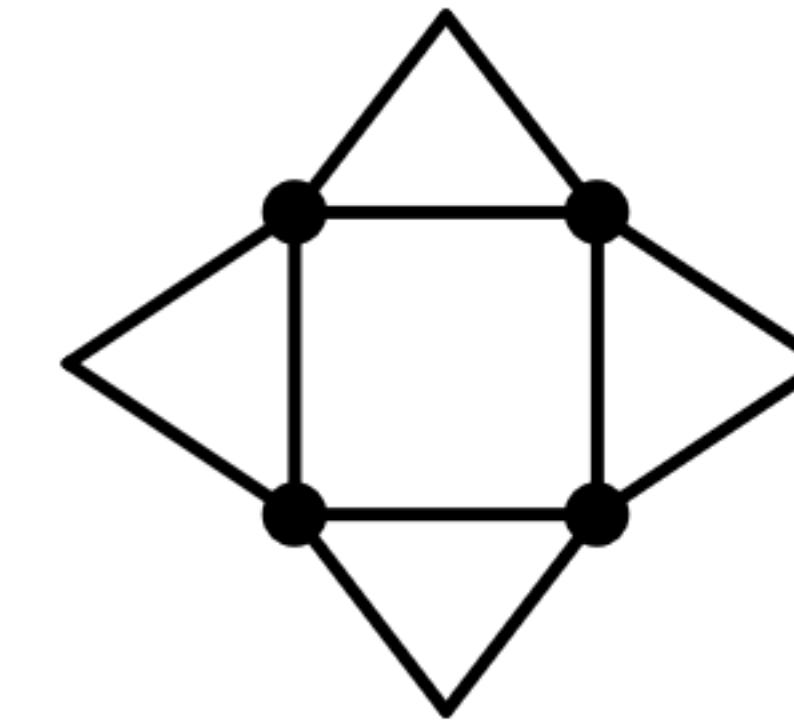


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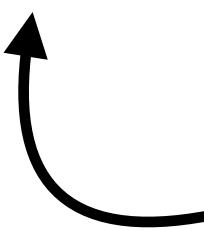
$$\phi^{(2,2)}(z, \bar{z}) \sim \frac{1}{(z - \bar{z})^2} (f_1 f_3 - f_2^2)$$

Each product: schematically



$$ff \sim \bar{\pi}(\bar{z}) \sum \pi(z) \bar{\pi}(\bar{z}) \sum \pi(z)$$

$$= \bar{\pi}(\bar{z}) \bar{\pi}(\bar{z}) \sum \sum \pi(z) \pi(z)$$



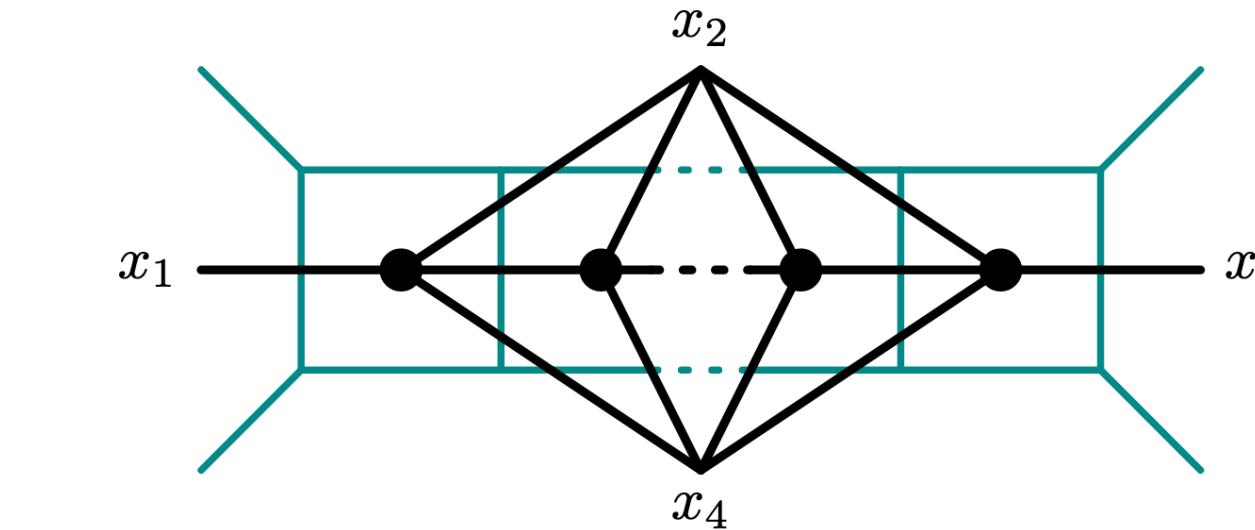
New periods: products of ladder periods

Double copy form!

# Conclusion

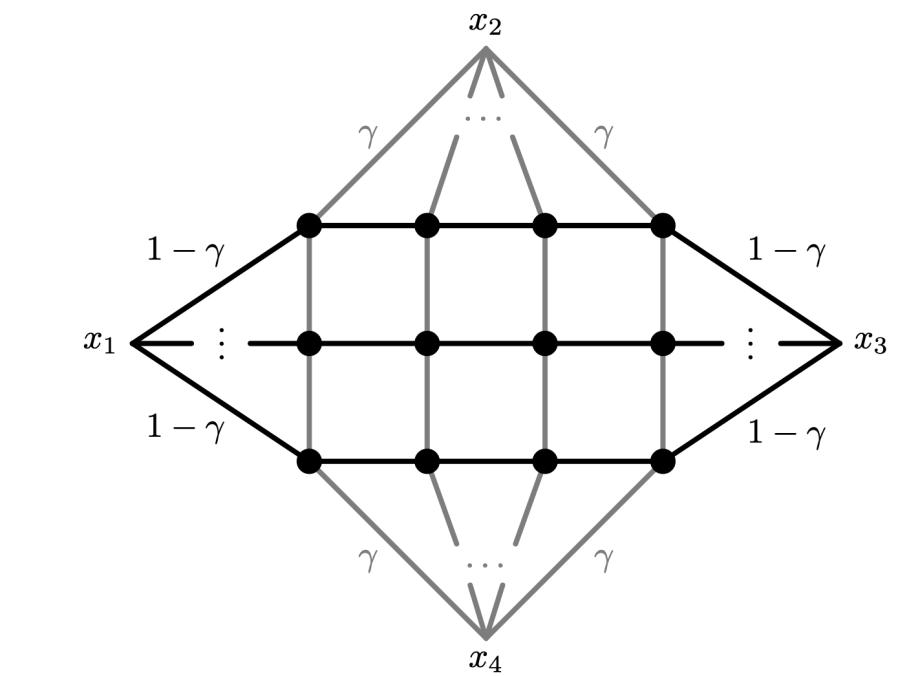
Dimensional recursion for track-like integrals

- Ladder integrals for all even  $D$
- New Calabi-Yau integrals in  $D > 2$
- Double copy beyond  $D = 2$

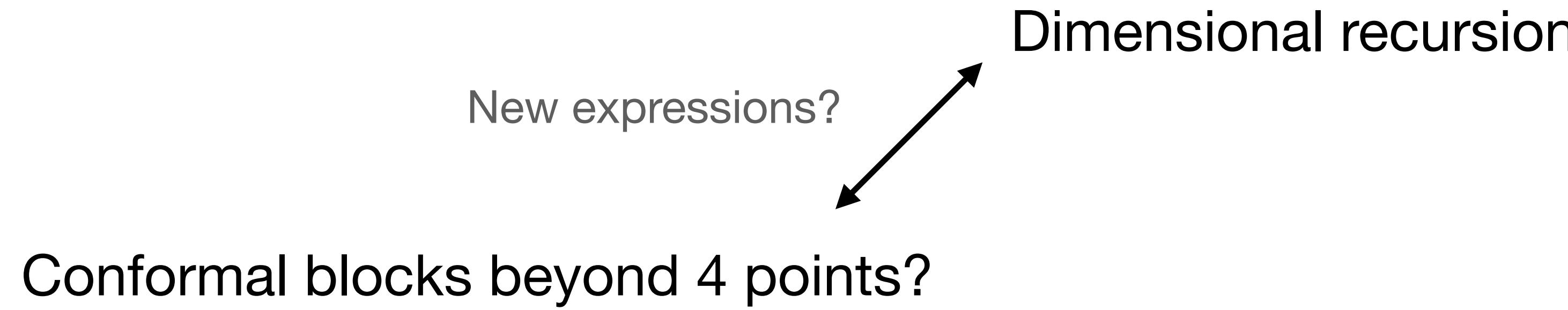


Loop recursion/Toda equations

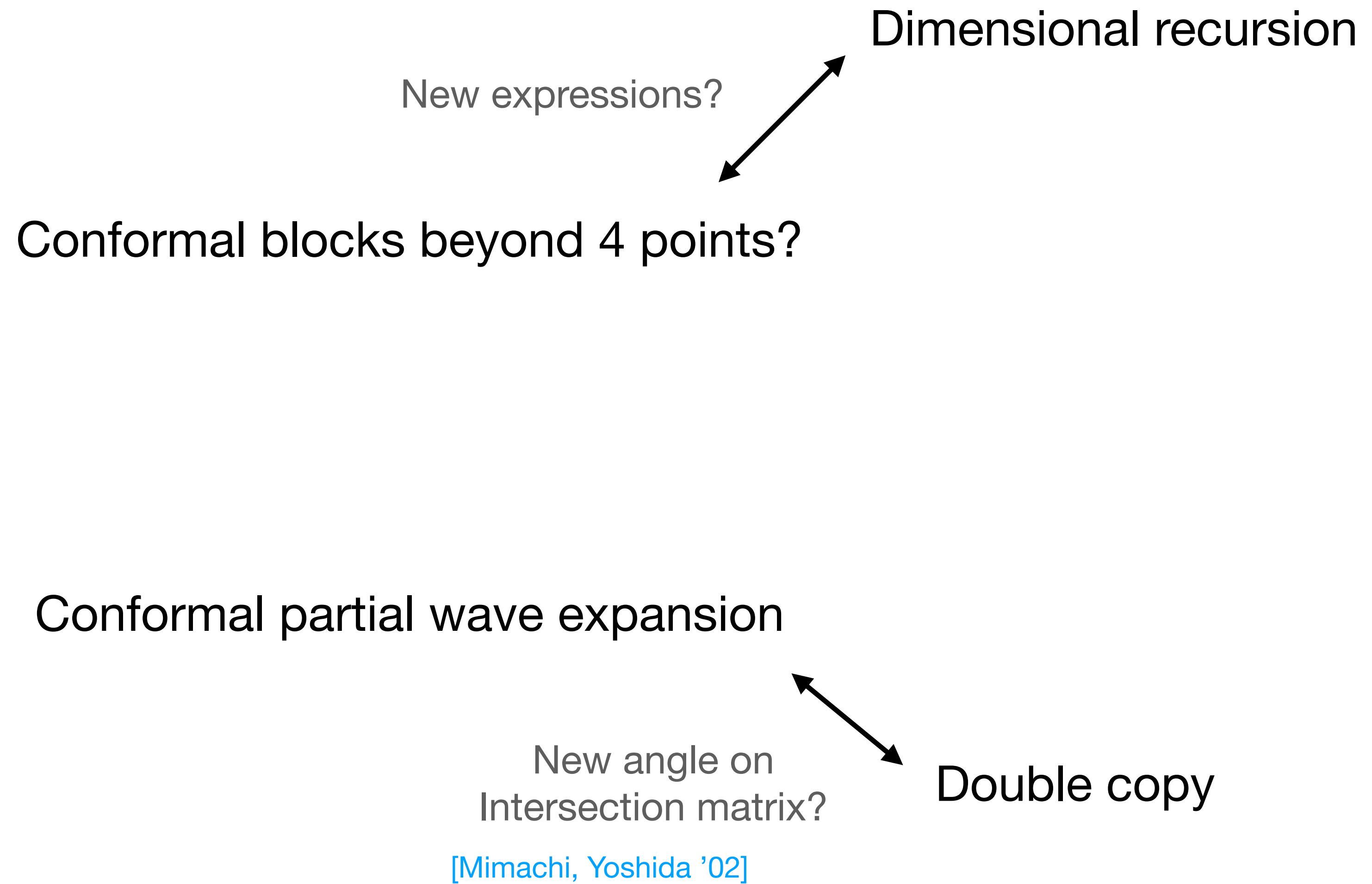
- 2D Toda molecule equation for 2D deformed Basso-Dixon integrals
- 1D Toda molecule-like equation for 4D undeformed Basso-Dixon integrals
- Connection to classical integrability, tau functions



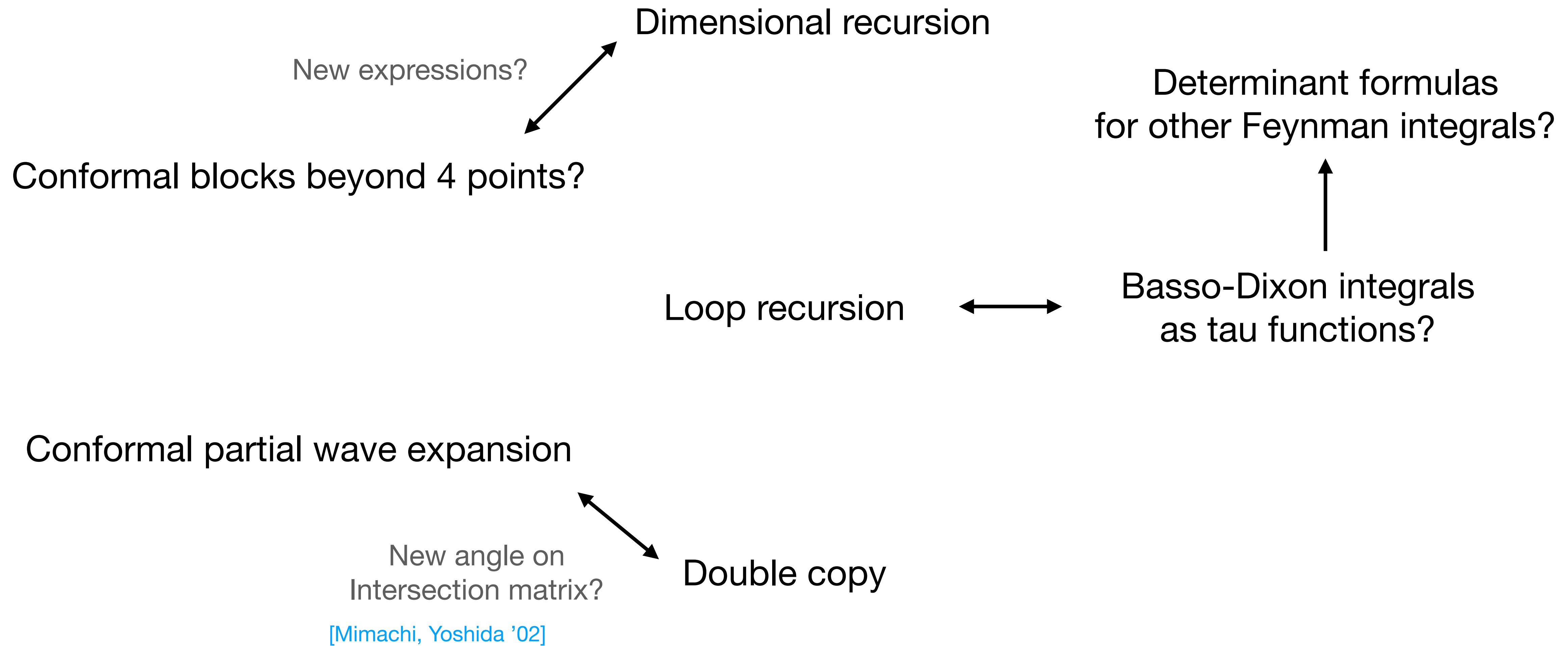
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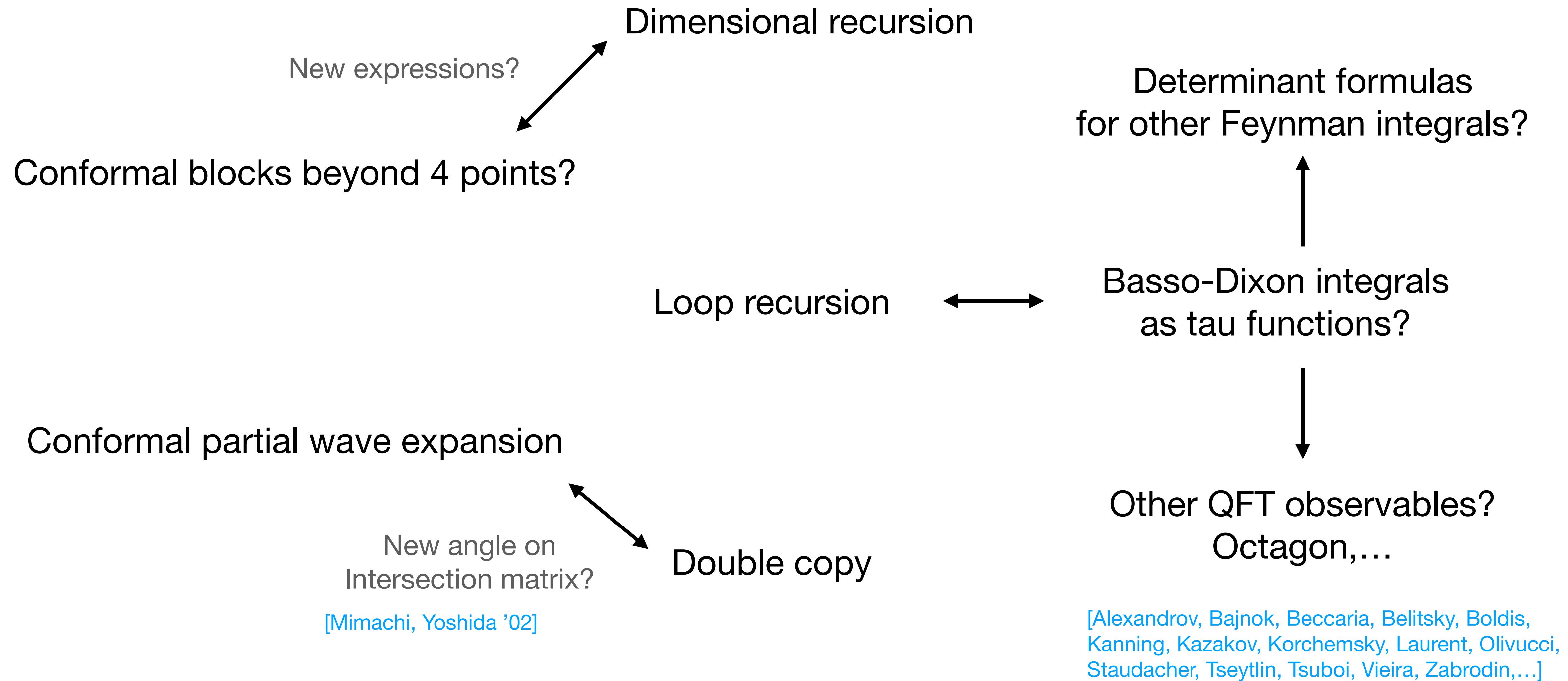
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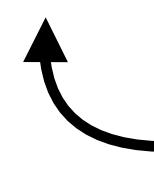
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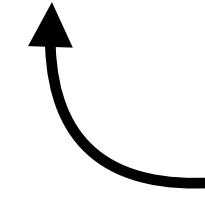
# Polylogarithmic Limit

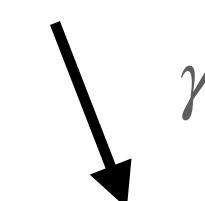
$$\phi_{4;\gamma}^{(L)}(z, \bar{z}) = \left( \frac{\Gamma(1-\gamma)}{\Gamma(2-\gamma)} \right)^{L+1} \left[ \frac{z\partial_z - \bar{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}}{z - \bar{z}} \right] \phi_{2,\gamma}^{(L)}(z, \bar{z})$$

 Divergent for  $\gamma \rightarrow 1!$

Idea: Look at SoV representation [Karydas, Li, Petkou, Vilatte '23]

$$\phi_{2;\gamma}^{(L)}(z, \bar{z}) = \left( \frac{\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(1-\gamma)} \right)^{L+1} (z\bar{z})^{\frac{\gamma-1}{2}} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\nu}{2\pi} \left( (-1)^n \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1-\gamma}{2} + \frac{n}{2} - i\nu\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1-\gamma}{2} - \frac{n}{2} + i\nu\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2} + \frac{n}{2} + i\nu\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2} - \frac{n}{2} - i\nu\right)} \right)^{L+1} (z\bar{z})^{i\nu} \left( \frac{z}{\bar{z}} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}}$$

 Precisely cancels divergence!

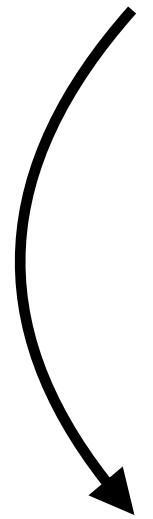
  $\gamma \rightarrow 1$

$\phi_{2;\gamma=1}^{\text{reg},(L)}$

# Polylogarithmic Limit

Explicitly

Residue Theorem


$$\phi_{2;\gamma=1}^{\text{reg},(L)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\nu}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\left(\nu^2 + \frac{n^2}{4}\right)^{L+1}} (z\bar{z})^{i\nu} \left(\frac{z}{\bar{z}}\right)^{n/2}$$
$$\phi_{2;\gamma=1}^{\text{reg},(L)} = \sum_{n=0}^L \frac{(-1)^n (2L-n)!}{L! (L-n)! n!} \log(z\bar{z})^n (\text{Li}_{2L+1-n}(z) - \text{Li}_{2L+1-n}(\bar{z})) - \frac{(-1)^L}{2(2L+1)!} \log(z\bar{z})^{2L+1}$$

Yields familiar ladder formula through dimensional recursion

$$\phi_{4;\gamma=1}^{(L)} = \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}} \sum_{n=0}^L \frac{(-1)^n (2L-n)!}{L! (L-n)! n!} \log(z\bar{z})^n (\text{Li}_{2L-n}(z) - \text{Li}_{2L-n}(\bar{z}))$$

[Usyukina, Davydychev '93]