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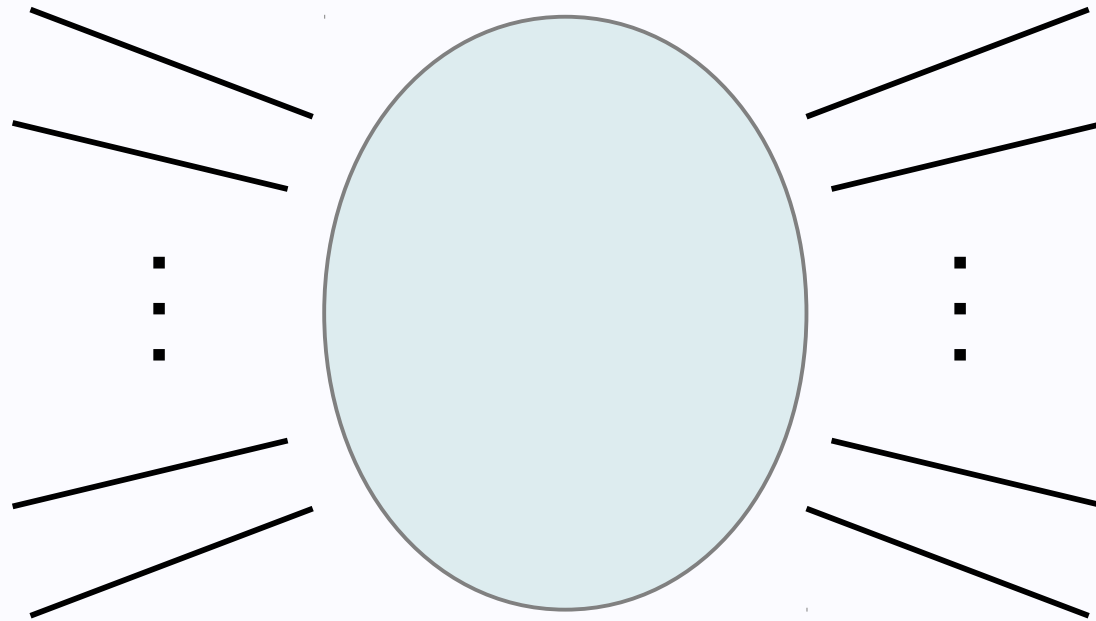
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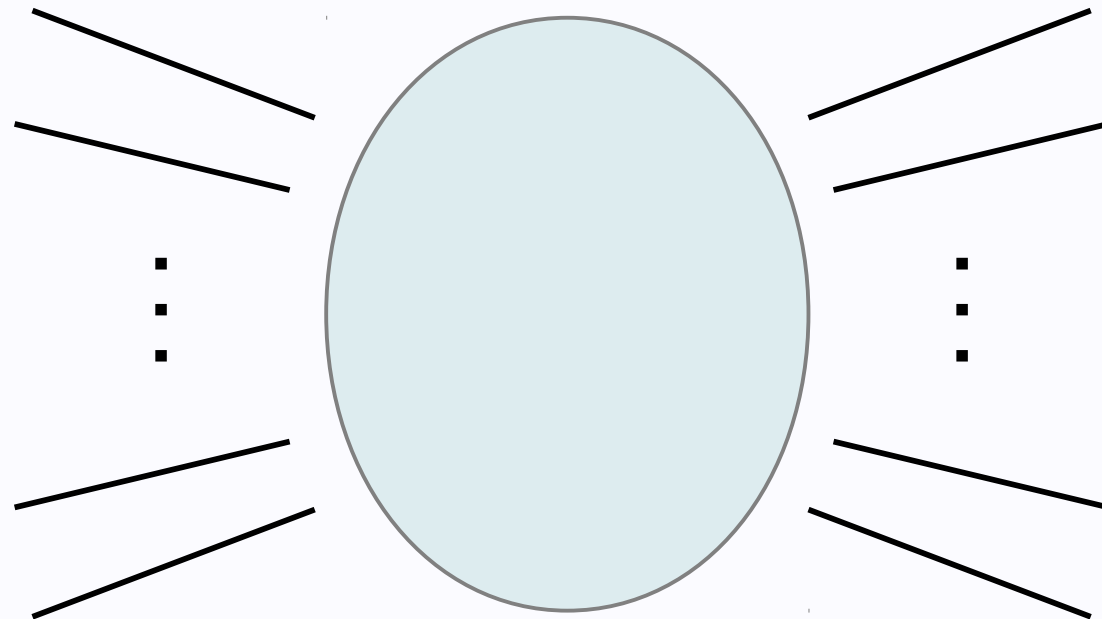
EFT is essentially an
experimentalist's way of
thinking

roughly:
given what I have, what
can I see?

what can we measure **in principle?**



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given a set of particles we have asymptotic access to,
what are the kinematically allowed scattering events?

**recurring theme: spacetime symmetry principles
a.k.a. Poincare and its unitary representations**

(fortunately) not so clean



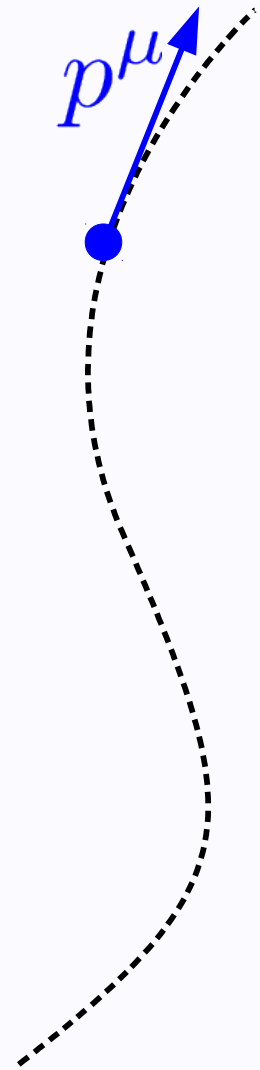
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it's hilariously awesome how much we know and don't know about this picture

particles,
fields,
& multi-particle/field theory

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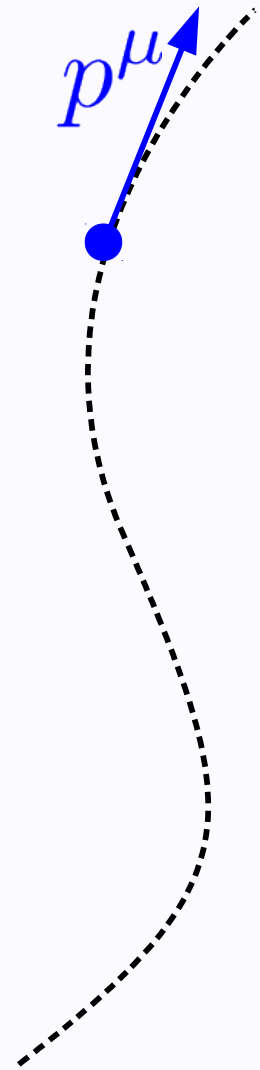


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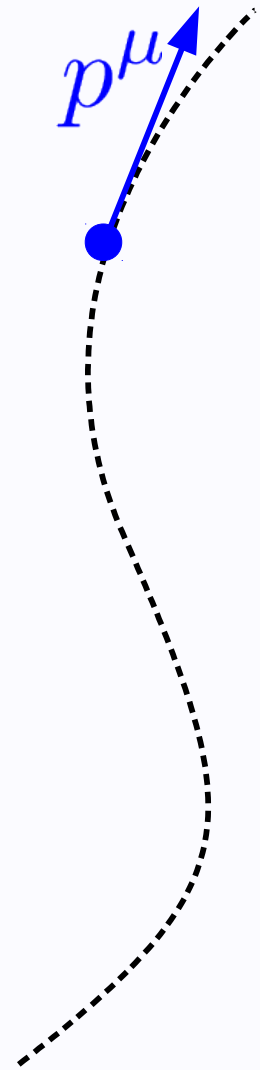
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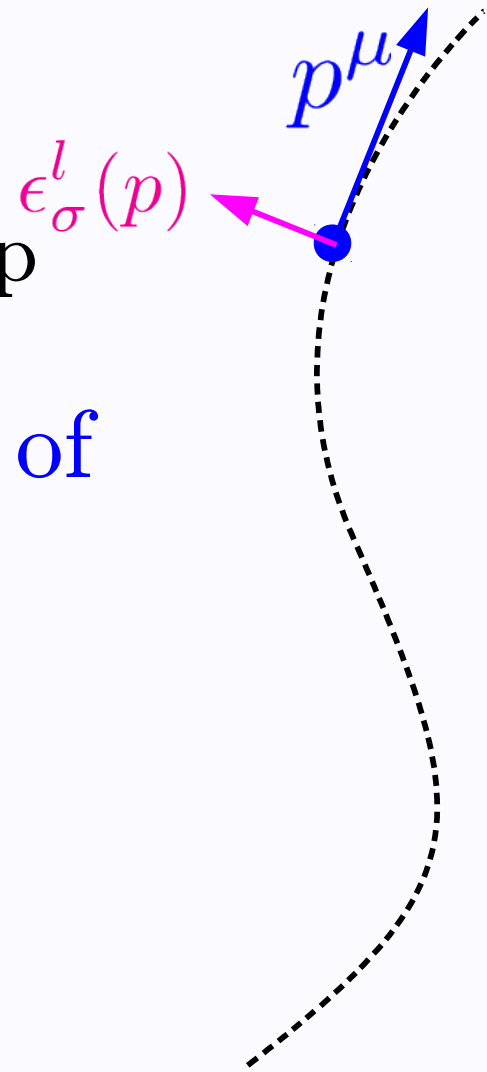
assign some spin (= polarization states)



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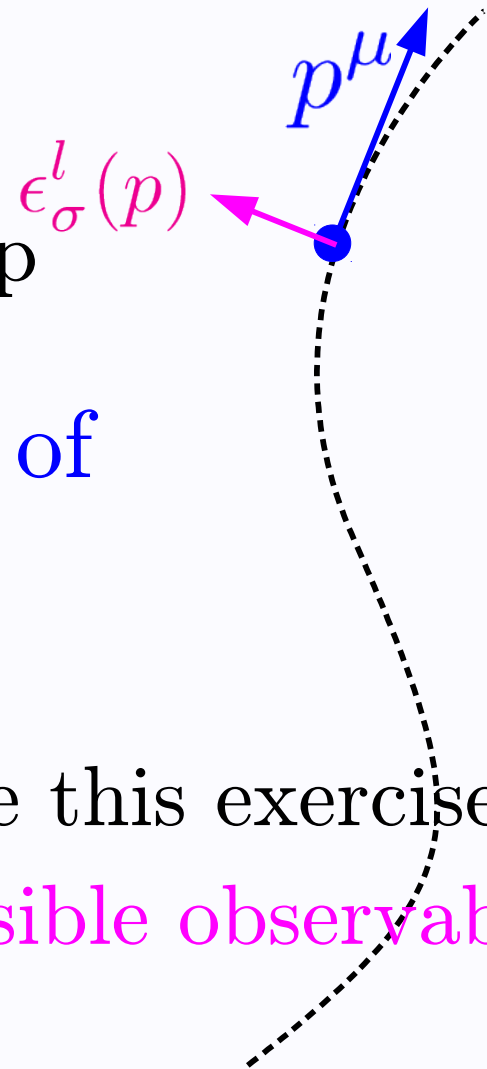
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for later purposes, I want to rephrase this exercise as:
given a momentum, what other possible observables
are there?

answer (in this case): helicity/spin states



what are fields?

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for example

- scalar $\sigma = 0$

$$\langle 0 | \phi(x) | \mathbf{p} \rangle \sim e^{ip \cdot x} \longrightarrow (\partial^2 + m^2)\phi = 0$$

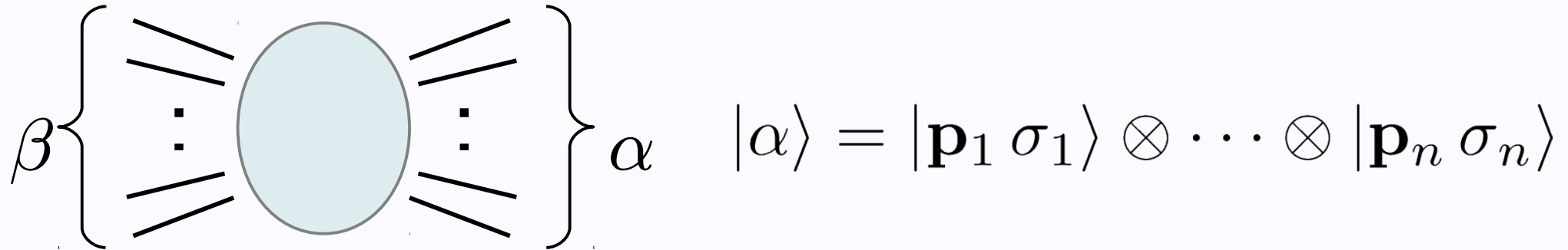
- massless vector

$$\langle 0 | F_{\mu\nu}(x) | \mathbf{p} \sigma \rangle \sim p_{[\mu} \epsilon_{\nu]}^\sigma(p) e^{ip \cdot x} \longrightarrow \begin{cases} \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = 0 \\ \partial_\mu \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} = 0 \end{cases}$$



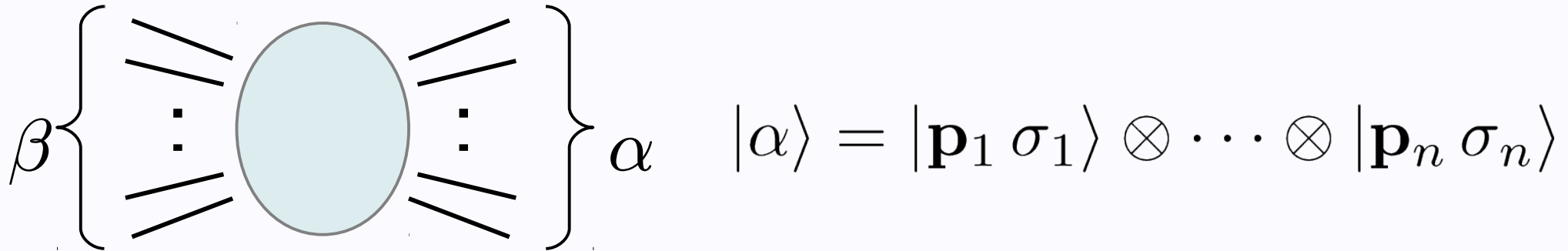
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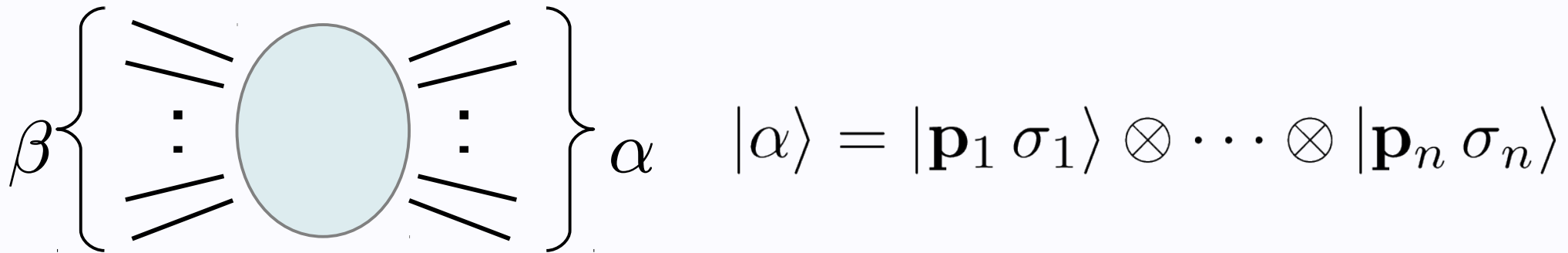
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*S-matrix theory made practical – Weinberg

building blocks

$$\phi$$

$$\partial_\mu \phi$$

$$\partial_{\{\mu_1} \partial_{\mu_2\}} \phi$$

$$\partial_{\{\mu_1} \partial_{\mu_2} \partial_{\mu_3\}} \phi$$

$$\vdots$$

“generators” for all
local operators

no ∂^2 terms
i.e. no EOM

$$1$$

$$p_\mu$$

$$p_{\{\mu_1} p_{\mu_2\}}$$

$$p_{\{\mu_1} p_{\mu_2} p_{\mu_3\}}$$

$$\vdots$$

“generators” for all
Feynman rules

no p^2 terms

now have conceptual framework to build operator bases

- Specify particle states available at experiment and possible symmetries*
 - SMEFT: massless gluon, W, B
 - HEFT: massless gluon & photon, massive W & Z
- Local composite operators = multi-particle states
 - Built from single particle states and decomposed back into Poincare reps
- Operator basis = scattering states
 - Vanishing total spin and momentum (vacuum quantum numbers)
 - Operator version of partial wave decomposition

*at state level, symmetries enter in the true sense of the word: globally

counting

enumeration with Hilbert series

“Hilbert series”


$$H \equiv \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{K}} \hat{w} = \sum_{\mathcal{O} \in \mathcal{K}} \hat{w}(\mathcal{O})$$

\mathcal{K} = operator basis

$\hat{w}(\mathcal{O})$ = weighting fxn for operator

Hilbert series is a partition fxn, weighted by field content

SMEFT Hilbert at dim-6

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\text{dim-6}}^{\text{SM}} = & HH^\dagger B_L^2 + HH^\dagger B_R^2 \\ & + W_L^3 + W_R^3 \\ & + 2H^2 H^\dagger{}^2 \mathcal{D}^2 \\ & + H^3 H^\dagger{}^3 + Q^3 L \\ & + \dots \end{aligned}$$


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$$|H|^2 B_{L,\mu\nu} B_L^{\mu\nu}$$

$$|H|^2 B_{R,\mu\nu} B_R^{\mu\nu}$$

note the chirality

$$B_{L/R} = B \pm i\tilde{B}$$

$$|H|^2 B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

$$|H|^2 B_{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}^{\mu\nu}$$

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 & + 2uu^\dagger Q Q^\dagger + uu^\dagger L L^\dagger + u^2 u^\dagger{}^2 + e^\dagger u^\dagger Q^2 + e^\dagger L^\dagger H^2 H^\dagger + 2e^\dagger u^\dagger Q^\dagger L^\dagger + e L H H^\dagger{}^2 + eu Q^\dagger{}^2 \\
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Hilbert series incredibly useful for
constructing operators

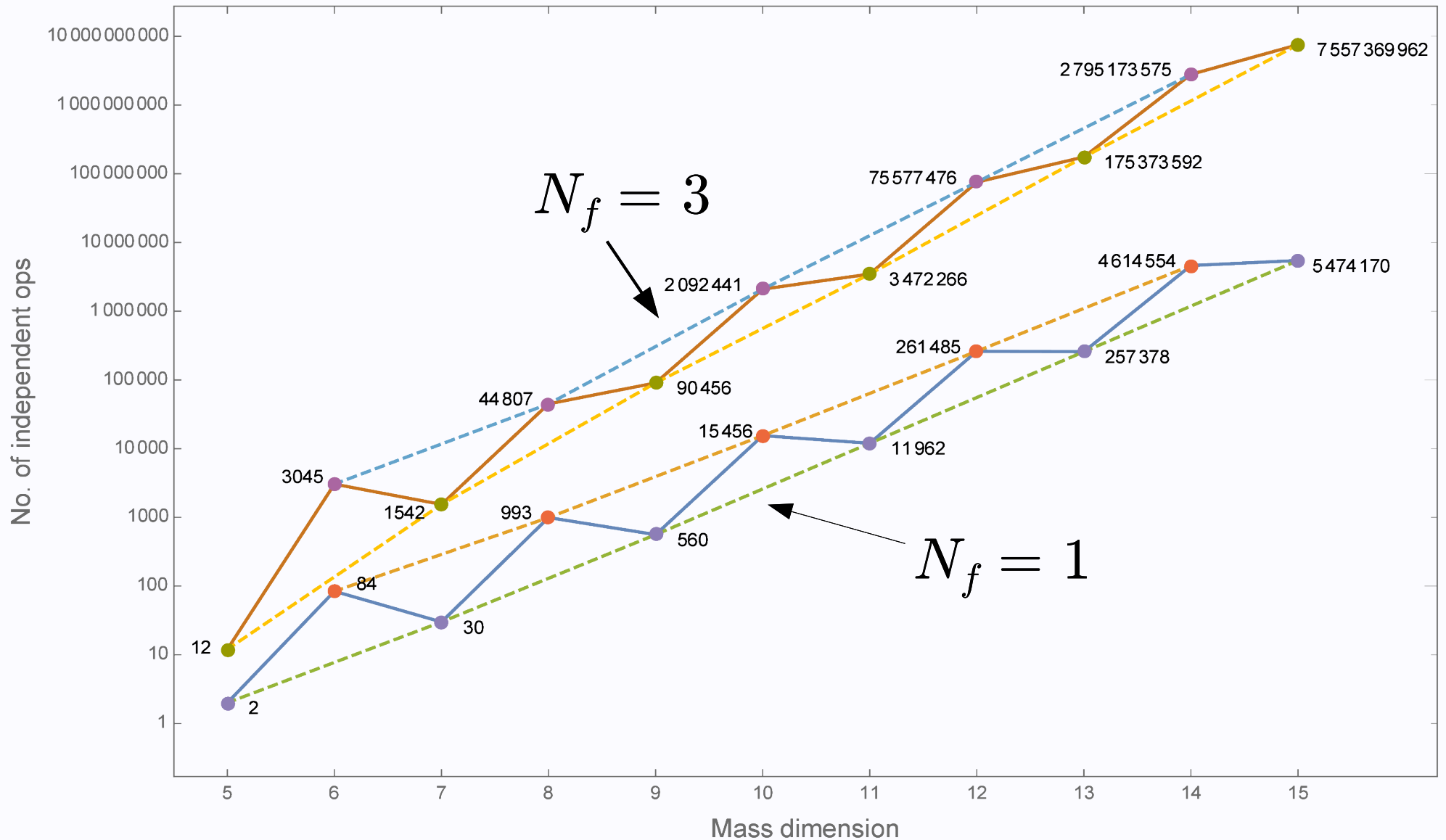
Summary of dim-8 Hilbert series

Note: classes can be further refined to find how many dim-8 ops contain, e.g., $Z\psi\psi$ terms

Mathematica file with SM Hilbert series available at [arXiv:1512.03433](https://arxiv.org/abs/1512.03433)

Class	N_f	1	3
X^4	43	43	43
$X^3 H^2$	6	6	6
$X^2 H^4$	10	10	10
H^8	1	1	1
$X^2 H \psi^2$	$96N_f^2$	96	864
$X H^3 \psi^2$	$22N_f^2$	22	198
$H^5 \psi^2$	$6N_f^2$	6	54
$X\psi^4$ (B)	$4N_f^2(40N_f^2 - 1)$	156	12924
(\cancel{B})	$2N_f^3(21N_f + 1)$	44	3456
$H^2\psi^4$ (B)	$N_f^2(67N_f^2 + N_f + 7)$	75	5517
(\cancel{B})	$\frac{1}{3}N_f^2(43N_f^2 - 9N_f + 2)$	12	1086
$X^2\psi^2\mathcal{D}$	$57N_f^2$	57	513
$X H^2\psi^2\mathcal{D}$	$92N_f^2$	92	828
$H^4\psi^2\mathcal{D}$	$13N_f^2$	13	117
$H\psi^4\mathcal{D}$ (B)	$N_f^3(135N_f - 1)$	134	10908
(\cancel{B})	$N_f^3(29N_f + 3)$	32	2430
$X^2 H^2\mathcal{D}^2$	18	18	18
$X H^4\mathcal{D}^2$	6	6	6
$H^6\mathcal{D}^2$	2	2	2
$X H\psi^2\mathcal{D}^2$	$48N_f^2$	48	432
$H^3\psi^2\mathcal{D}^2$	$36N_f^2$	36	324
$\psi^4\mathcal{D}^2$ (B)	$\frac{11}{2}N_f^2(9N_f^2 + 1)$	55	4059
(\cancel{B})	$N_f^3(11N_f - 1)$	10	864
$H^2\psi^2\mathcal{D}^3$	$16N_f^2$	16	144
$H^4\mathcal{D}^4$	3	3	3
Total (B)	$\frac{823}{2}N_f^4 + \frac{789}{2}N_f^2 + 89$	895	36971
(\cancel{B})	$\frac{289}{3}N_f^4 + N_f^3 + \frac{2}{3}N_f^2$	98	7836

hopefully experiments don't get too precise



Number of indep ops in SM EFT up to dim 15

HEFT

ongoing with Lukáš Gráf

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Similar longitudinal structure for genuine massless
goldstones...related to soft limits

constructing

an obvious question from HC2017:
do we need dim-8 operators?

an obvious question from me:
do these free field operators have
further use?

I want to suggest that these states potentially
have value for addressing difficult dynamics

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any other ways of
 computing?

first principles, non-
 perturbative?

lattice MC? ... prob not ...
 SM is chiral

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constructing operators with spinors

ongoing with Tom Melia

New for Higgs Couplings 2017!

recall multi-particle states

$$\beta \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \diagup \diagdown \\ \vdots \\ \diagdown \diagup \end{array} \right. \left(\text{light blue oval} \right) \left. \begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \diagup \diagdown \\ \vdots \\ \diagdown \diagup \end{array} \right\} \alpha \quad |\alpha\rangle = |\mathbf{p}_1 \sigma_1\rangle \otimes \cdots \otimes |\mathbf{p}_n \sigma_n\rangle$$

couple the momenta together to
some **total momentum**


$$P^\mu = p_1^\mu + \cdots + p_n^\mu$$

besides P^μ , what else can we observe?

geometry of kinematics

single massless particle

keeps
on-shell


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multiple massless particles

$$\underbrace{\delta(p_1^2) \cdots \delta(p_n^2)}_{\text{cones}} \times \underbrace{\delta^4(P^\mu - (p_1^\mu + \cdots + p_n^\mu))}_{\text{simplex}} \delta(P^2 - M^2)$$

complicated geometry!

coupled momentum
is massive

kinematics with spinors

$$p_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} = \begin{pmatrix} p_0 + p_3 & p_1 - ip_2 \\ p_1 + ip_2 & p_0 - p_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p^2 = 0 \Rightarrow p_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} = \lambda_{\alpha} \tilde{\lambda}_{\dot{\alpha}}$$

trivializes $\delta(p^2)$

so that

$$\delta(p_1^2) \cdots \delta(p_n^2) \times \delta^4 \left(P^{\mu} - (p_1^{\mu} + \cdots + p_n^{\mu}) \right)$$



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Geometry basically
complex version of
two orthogonal
spheres

$$r^2 = \vec{v}^2$$

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$$0 = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}$$

$$G/H = U(N) / U(N-2)$$

space of states

What else can we have besides momentum?

“besides” = “modulo” = coset

$$U(N) / U(N - 2)$$

operator content of free CFTs in $d=4$ claim

N -particle primaries built from massless particles
belong to the manifold

$$U(N) / U(N - 2)$$

- gives explicit construction of primaries built from arbitrary spin
- essentially computes free field OPE
- remarkable pairing between $U(N)$ and $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ – they control each other's representations exactly
- similar games in $d = 2$ & 3

these states have use in exploring a
(recently revived) technique to
numerically access strongly coupled
phenomena called **Hamiltonian
truncation**

the dumbest idea which might actually work

- take free theory, where we know the states and couplings
- deform with relevant interaction
- compute Hamiltonian matrix elements
- diagonalize Hamiltonian

result ideally approximates true spectrum
and states

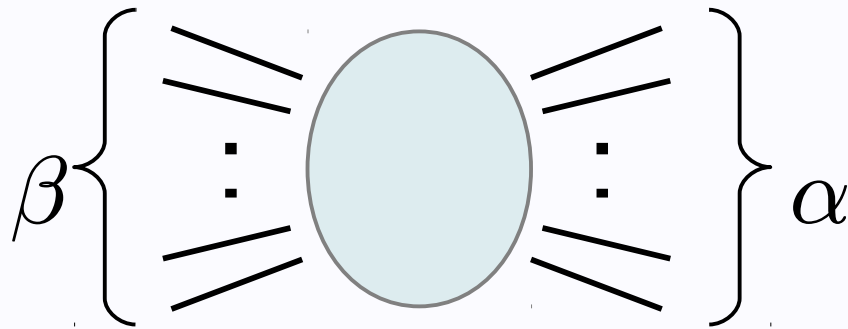
can use these states to compute correlation
functions (even at strong coupling)

Hamiltonian truncation

- several $d=2$ success stories (works best with strongly relevant operators)
 - e.g. “parton content” of bound states
 $d=2$ QCD
- one successful study in $d=3$ - begs for more studies
- operator construction provides necessary starting ingredients

and one last vague thought

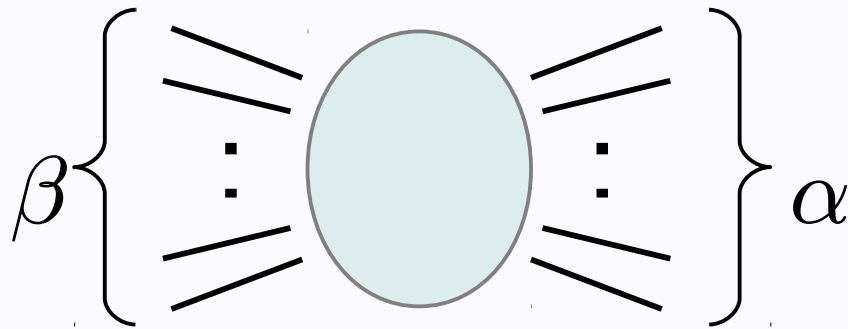
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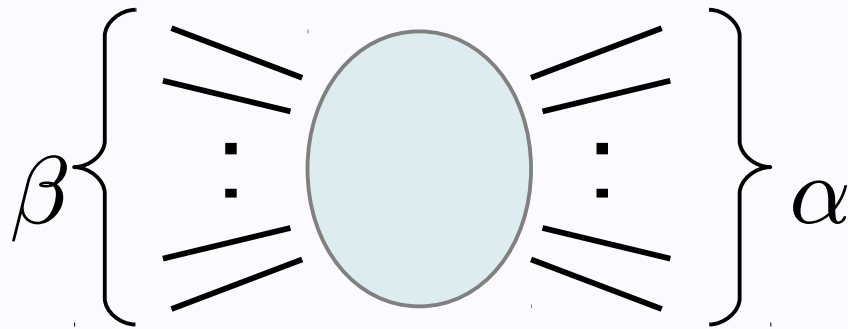
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constraint equation!

can this equation be made concrete?

can we connect with standard dispersion relation results?

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can spacetime symmetry principles provide more nuanced frameworks useful for experimental analysis?

- Large particle multiplicity (jets, decays, ...)
- Multiple scales (indiv. PT, differential distributions,...)

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homies, it's kinda a golden era right now

smile about it