

# SCALAR PROXY

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## 1. CUT SOLUTIONS

Of course in each amplitude we have different cut solutions. Now let us solve them,

**1.1. all massless.** The cut condition is,

$$k_1^2 = k_2^2 = (3 - k_1)^2 = (3 - k_1 - k_2)^2 = (3 + 4 - k_1 - k_2)^2 = 0$$

The first and third condition enforces  $k_1 = -|k_1]\langle 3|$ . But the fourth and fifth conditions enforces  $3 - k_1 - k_2 = n$ , with  $n \cdot 4 = 0$  &  $n^2 = 0$ . Lastly, the second condition imposes  $(3 - k_1 - n)^2 = -23 \cdot n + 2k_1 \cdot n = 0$ , that is,

$$[3n]\langle n3 \rangle = [k_1 n]\langle n3 \rangle$$

which has two solutions,  $|n] = |k_1] - |3]$  &  $|n] = z|4]$  or  $|n] = |3]$  &  $|n] = z|4]$ . When working with scalar particles it's better to choose the first solution, as this avoids singularities in denominators such as  $(k_1 \cdot k_2)^{-1}$ . Hence, the solution we're going to choose is,

$$\begin{cases} k_1 &= -|k_1]\langle 3| \\ k_2 &= -|3]\langle 3| + |k_1]\langle 3| + z(|k_1] - |3])\langle 4| \end{cases}$$

**1.2. massive legs first topology.** Our approach to massive legs is to shift the solution with massless, in order to obtain a well behaved solution in the  $m^2 \rightarrow 0$  limit. For this topology the cut constrains are,

$$l_1^2 = l_2^2 = (3 - l_1)^2 = -m^2 \text{ \& } (3 - l_1 - l_2)^2 = (3 + 4 - l_1 - l_2)^2 = 0$$

The idea here is to define,  $l_i = k_i + \alpha_i q_i$  (no sum), with  $q_i^2 = 0$  and  $\alpha_i = -m^2(2k_i \cdot q_i)^{-1}$ , then,  $q_i, k_i$  are not allowed to have any dependence on  $m^2$ . The first and second constrains are already satisfied. The third one gives,

$$-23 \cdot l_1 = 0 \rightarrow 3 \cdot (k_1 + \alpha_1 q_1) = 0 \rightarrow 3 \cdot q_1 = 0$$

As  $|q_1] = |3]$  is forbidden,  $|q_1] = |3]$ . The fourth and fifth constrains imposes,

$$\begin{cases} -n \cdot (\alpha_1 q_1 + \alpha_2 q_2) + \alpha_1 \alpha_2 q_1 \cdot q_2 &= 0 \\ 4 \cdot (\alpha_1 q_1 + \alpha_2 q_2) &= 0 \end{cases}$$

This imposes actually  $q_1 \cdot q_2 = 0$ , for this to be true we have two options, either  $|q_2] = |3]$ , or  $|q_2] = |q_1]$ . If we choose the first, we can shift  $k_1$  by 3 such to make  $|q_1] = |4]$ , this imposes further  $|q_2] = |4]$ . Hence, a possible solution is,

$$q_1 = q_2 = -|3]\langle 4|$$

**1.3. massive legs second topology.** The constrains now are slightly different,

$$l_1^2 = (3 - l_1)^2 = 0 \text{ \& } l_2^2 = (3 - l_1 - l_2)^2 = (3 + 4 - l_1 - l_2)^2 = -m^2$$

Which has as solution  $q_2 = -|4]\langle 3|$

**1.4. massive legs third topology.** Now the constrain is difficult to solve,

$$l_2^2 = 0 \text{ \& } l_1^2 = (3 - l_1)^2 = (3 - l_1 - l_2)^2 = (3 + 4 - l_1 - l_2)^2 = -m^2$$

The first, second and third constrains give,  $l_2 = -|l_2]\langle l_2|$ ,  $l_1 = -|l_1]\langle 3| - \alpha|3]\langle l_1|$ , which is get by shifting  $|l_1]$ . Now, the fourth constrain gives,

$$l_2 \cdot (3 - l_1) = 0$$

Expanding  $|l_2] = x|l_1] + y|3]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x[l_1 3]\langle 3l_2 \rangle - y[3l_1]\langle 3l_2 \rangle - x\alpha[l_1 3]\langle l_1 l_2 \rangle &= 0 \\ (x + y)\langle 3l_2 \rangle &= x\alpha\langle l_1 l_2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

The fifth constrain gives,

$$\begin{aligned} 4 \cdot (3 - l_1 - l_2) &= 0 \\ [4](-|3]\langle 3| + |l_1]\langle 3| + \alpha|3]\langle l_1| + x|l_1]\langle l_2| + y|3]\langle l_2|)|4] &= 0 \\ -[43]\langle 34 \rangle + [4l_1]\langle 34 \rangle + \alpha[43]\langle l_1 4 \rangle + x[4l_1]\langle l_2 4 \rangle + y[43]\langle l_2 4 \rangle &= 0 \\ [4l_1](\langle 34 \rangle + x\langle l_2 4 \rangle) + [43](y\langle l_2 4 \rangle - \langle 34 \rangle + \alpha\langle l_1 4 \rangle) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

This fixes,  $x\langle l_2 4 \rangle = -\langle 34 \rangle = -y\langle l_2 4 \rangle - \alpha\langle l_1 4 \rangle$ , hence,