

# 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 second and third constrains give,  $l_1 = -|k_1]\langle 3| - \alpha|3]\langle l_1|$ . Now, the fourth and fifth constrains gives,

$$3 - l_1 - l_2 = -z(|k_1] - |3])\langle 4| + \beta|4]\langle n|$$

With of course  $\beta = -\frac{m^2}{z\langle 4n\rangle[4]([k_1] - |3])}$ . At last the second constrain gives,

$$\begin{aligned} l_2 &= -|3]\langle 3| + |k_1]\langle 3| + \alpha|3]\langle l_1| + z(|k_1] - |3])\langle 4| - \beta|4]\langle n| \\ l_2^2 = 0 &= -z\langle 34\rangle[k_1 3] + \beta\langle 3n\rangle[43] + \alpha\langle 3l_1\rangle[3k_1] - z\langle 34\rangle[3k_1] - \beta\langle 3n\rangle[4k_1] + \alpha z\langle l_1 4\rangle[k_1 3] - \alpha\beta\langle l_1 n\rangle[43] - \beta z\langle 4n\rangle[4]([k_1] - |3]) \\ 0 &= \beta\langle 3n\rangle[43] + m^2 - \beta\langle 3n\rangle[4k_1] + \alpha z\langle l_1 4\rangle[k_1 3] - \alpha\beta\langle l_1 n\rangle[43] + m^2 \\ -2m^2 &= \beta\langle 3n\rangle[4]([3] - |k_1]) + \alpha z\langle l_1 4\rangle[k_1 3] - \alpha\beta\langle l_1 n\rangle[43] \\ -2m^2 &= -\frac{m^2}{z\langle 4n\rangle[4]([k_1] - |3])}\langle 3n\rangle[4]([3] - |k_1]) + \frac{m^2}{\langle 3l_1\rangle[3k_1]}z\langle l_1 4\rangle[k_1 3] - \alpha\beta\langle l_1 n\rangle[43] \end{aligned}$$

For the quadratic term in  $m^2$  to vanish is necessary  $\langle l_1 n \rangle = 0 \rightarrow |l_1\rangle \propto |n\rangle$ , thus,

$$\begin{aligned} -2m^2 &= \frac{m^2}{z\langle 4n \rangle} \langle 3n \rangle + \frac{m^2}{\langle 3l_1 \rangle} z\langle 4l_1 \rangle \\ -2 &= \frac{1}{z\langle 4n \rangle} \langle 3n \rangle + \frac{1}{\langle 3n \rangle} z\langle 4n \rangle \rightarrow \langle 3n \rangle = -z\langle 4n \rangle \end{aligned}$$

The best parametrization is  $|n\rangle = |l_1\rangle = |4\rangle - \frac{1}{z}|3\rangle$ .

**1.5. massive legs fourth topology.** Now the constrain is the hardest to solve,

$$l_1^2 = l_2^2 = (3 - l_1)^2 = (3 - l_1 - l_2)^2 = (3 + 4 - l_1 - l_2)^2 = -m^2$$

Happily, most of the work was done already in the last solution, we just have to change:

$$\begin{aligned} l_2 &= -|3\rangle\langle 3| + |k_1\rangle\langle 3| + \alpha|3\rangle\langle l_1| + z(|k_1\rangle - |3\rangle)\langle 4| - \beta|4\rangle\langle n| \\ l_2^2 = -m^2 \rightarrow m^2 &= -z\langle 34 \rangle [k_1 3] + \beta\langle 3n \rangle [43] + \alpha\langle 3l_1 \rangle [3k_1] - z\langle 34 \rangle [3k_1] - \beta\langle 3n \rangle [4k_1] + \alpha z\langle l_1 4 \rangle [k_1 3] - \alpha\beta\langle l_1 n \rangle [43] - \beta z\langle 4n \rangle [4(|k_1\rangle - |3\rangle)] \\ m^2 &= \beta\langle 3n \rangle [43] + m^2 - \beta\langle 3n \rangle [4k_1] + \alpha z\langle l_1 4 \rangle [k_1 3] - \alpha\beta\langle l_1 n \rangle [43] + m^2 \\ -m^2 &= \beta\langle 3n \rangle [4(|3\rangle - |k_1\rangle)] + \alpha z\langle l_1 4 \rangle [k_1 3] - \alpha\beta\langle l_1 n \rangle [43] \\ -m^2 &= -\frac{m^2}{z\langle 4n \rangle [4(|k_1\rangle - |3\rangle)]} \langle 3n \rangle [4(|3\rangle - |k_1\rangle)] + \frac{m^2}{\langle 3l_1 \rangle [3k_1]} z\langle l_1 4 \rangle [k_1 3] - \alpha\beta\langle l_1 n \rangle [43] \end{aligned}$$

Again we fix  $|l_1\rangle \propto |n\rangle$ . The solution then is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} -m^2 &= \frac{m^2}{z\langle 4n \rangle} \langle 3n \rangle + \frac{m^2}{\langle 3l_1 \rangle} z\langle 4l_1 \rangle \\ -1 &= \frac{1}{z\langle 4n \rangle} \langle 3n \rangle + \frac{1}{\langle 3n \rangle} z\langle 4n \rangle \rightarrow \langle 3n \rangle = -z\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i}{2}\sqrt{3}\right)\langle 4n \rangle = -ze^{\frac{1}{3}\pi i}\langle 4n \rangle \end{aligned}$$