

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,

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