

Exercise for Scattering Amplitude (F, T6)

Problem set 7, due to 3 July, 2019

1) Consider the six-gluon alternating-helicity NMHV amplitude $A_6(1^+, 2^-, 3^+, 4^-, 5^+, 6^-)$

- a) How many diagrams contribute to the recursion relation following from the $[2, 3]$ shifts, i.e.:
 $\hat{\lambda}_2 = \tilde{\lambda}_2 + z\tilde{\lambda}_3$ and $\hat{\lambda}_3 = \lambda_3 - z\lambda_2$?
- b) Is the $[2, 3]$ shift allowed, i.e. what can be said about behaviour of the amplitude for large z ?
- c) Compute the contributions of the non-vanishing diagrams and show:

$$A_6(1^+, 2^-, 3^+, 4^-, 5^+, 6^-) = g_{YM}^4 \left\{ R_2 + R_4 + R_6 \right\}, \quad (*)$$

with:

$$R_i = \frac{1}{t_i} \frac{\langle i, i+2 \rangle^4 [i+3, i-1]^4}{\langle i|p_{i+1} + p_{i+2}|i+3 \rangle \langle i+2|p_i + p_{i+1}|i-1 \rangle \langle i, i+1 \rangle \langle i+1, i+2 \rangle [i+3, i-2] [i-2, i-1]},$$

with $\langle a|p_b + p_c|d \rangle = \langle ab \rangle [bd] + \langle ac \rangle [cd]$ and $t_i = (p_i + p_{i+1} + p_{i+2})^2$. Note, that in R_i all entries are assumed to be defined mod 6, i.e. e.g. $\langle 10 \rangle = \langle 16 \rangle$, $\langle 78 \rangle = \langle 12 \rangle$, $[94] = [34]$, etc.

- d) What is the behaviour of $(*)$ for large z ?