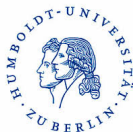


Unitarity techniques in 2D

based on 1304.1798 with B. Hoare, V. Forini, 1405.**** and work in progress

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Motivation

- Combine a powerful technique with the special properties of $1+1$ dimensions.
- Improve perturbative computations in integrable **non-linear sigma models**.
- Understand the connection between **cut constructibility** and **integrability**.
- Perform non-trivial checks of quantum integrability for classically integrable string backgrounds.
- Compute **overall scalar functions** for symmetry-determined S-matrices.
- Moving towards the perturbative computation of **off-shell** quantities.

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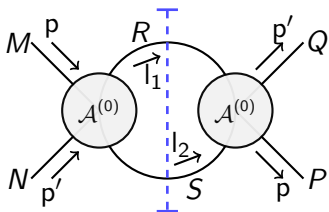
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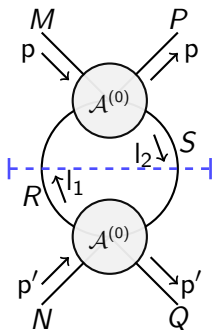
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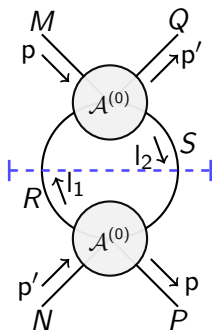
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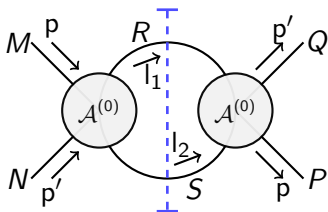
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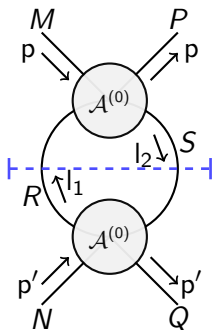
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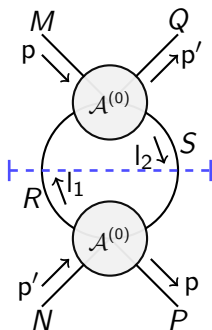
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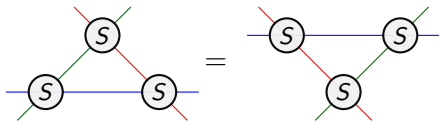


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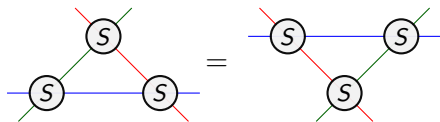
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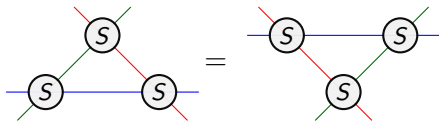
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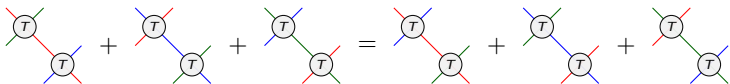
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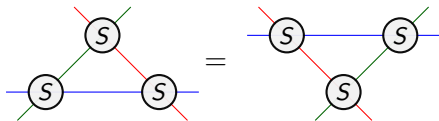
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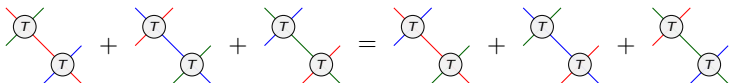
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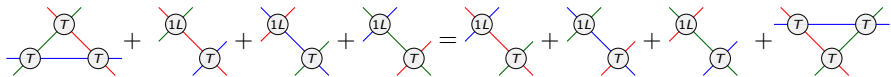
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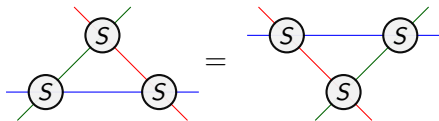
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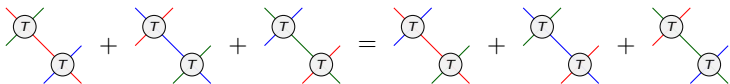
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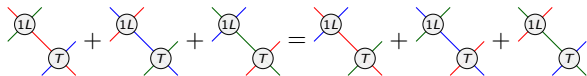
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- For the full result to satisfy YB equation it should be a solution to the **homogeneous part** of YB.
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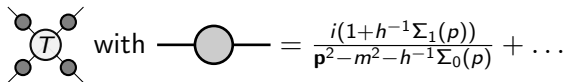
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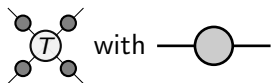
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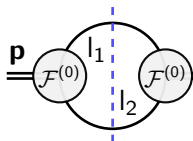
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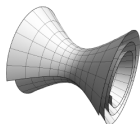
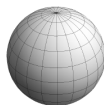
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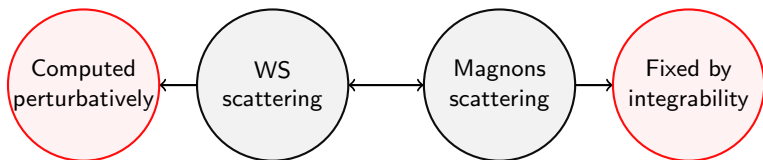
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Future directions

- We found hints of a **relation with YB equation** which deserves further analysis.
- Rational terms **beyond one loop**.
- Study of **off-shell objects** via unitarity.