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A new method to generate and reduce one-loop amplitudes in OpenLoops 2

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I. Numerical amplitude generation in OpenLoops

II. New colour and helicity treatment

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IV. Numerical stability

V. Summary and Outlook

I. Numerical amplitude generation in OpenLoops

- Fully automated numerical algorithm for tree and one-loop amplitudes (h = helicity configuration):

$$\mathcal{W}_0 = \sum_h \sum_{\text{col}} |\mathcal{M}_0(h)|^2, \quad \mathcal{W}_1 = \sum_h \sum_{\text{col}} 2 \operatorname{Re} [\mathcal{M}_0^*(h) \mathcal{M}_1(h)], \quad \mathcal{W}_1^{\text{loop-ind}} = \sum_h \sum_{\text{col}} |\mathcal{M}_1(h)|^2$$

Tree level and one-loop amplitudes are sums of Feynman diagrams

$$\mathcal{M}_0 = \sum_d \mathcal{M}_0^{(d)}, \quad \mathcal{M}_1 = \sum_d \mathcal{M}_1^{(d)}$$

- hybrid tree-loop recursion \Rightarrow high CPU efficiency and numerical stability
- NLO QCD and NLO EW corrections fully implemented
- OpenLoops is interfaced to Sherpa, Powheg, Herwig, Whizard, Geneva, Munich, Matrix

- OpenLoops 1 publicly available at openloops.hepforge.org [Cascioli, Lindert, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini]
 - Third party tools for the tensor integral reduction to scalar MIs:
 Cuttools 1.9.5 [Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau '08], OneLoop 3.6.1 [van Hameren '10],
 Collier 1.2 [Denner, Dittmaier, Hofer '16]
 - High tensor rank in loop momentum $q \Rightarrow$ high complexity
 - Stability in the IR region is challenging for $2 \rightarrow 4$ processes

Long-term goal: NNLO automation for $2 \rightarrow 2$ and $2 \rightarrow 3$ processes

- 2 loop amplitude construction and reduction needed \Rightarrow avoid high tensor rank complexity
- Numerical stability at NLO for $2 \rightarrow 4$ is crucial

- OpenLoops 2 to be published soon [Buccioni, Lindert, Maierhöfer, Pozzorini, M.Z.]
 - Amplitude construction and integrand reduction merged \Rightarrow On-the-fly Reduction
 \Rightarrow tensor rank ≤ 2 at all times
 - Stability issues addressed in a targeted way

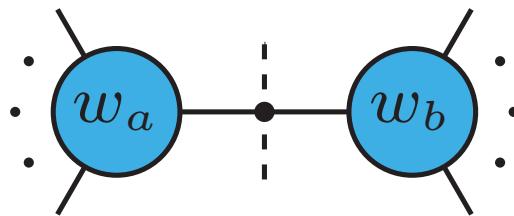
Tree level amplitudes

$$\mathcal{M}_0 = \sum_d \mathcal{M}_0^{(d)}$$

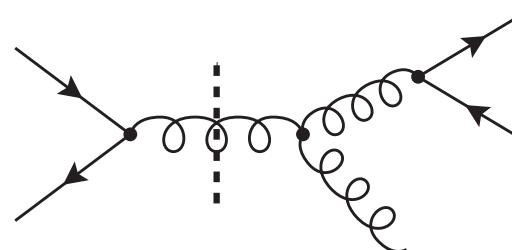
Each diagram factorizes into a **colour factor** and a colour stripped amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}_l^{(d)} = \mathcal{C}_l^{(d)} \mathcal{A}_l^{(d)}.$$

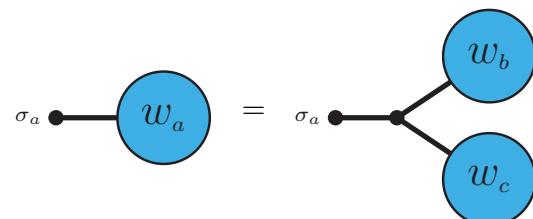
colour stripped $\mathcal{A}_0^{(d)}$ are split into subtrees by cutting an internal line:



for example



⇒ Numerical merging of subtrees performed recursively:



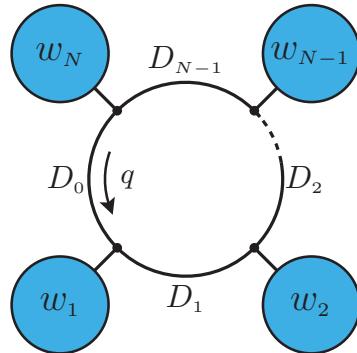
$$w_a^\alpha(k_a, h_a) = \frac{X_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha(k_b, k_c)}{k_a^2 - m_a^2} w_b^\beta(k_b, h_b) w_c^\gamma(k_c, h_c)$$

with momentum $k_a = k_b + k_c$ and for all possible helicity configurations $h_a = h_b + h_c$.

⇒ Once computed subtrees used in multiple Feynman diagrams at tree and loop level

One-loop amplitude

$$\mathcal{A}_1^{(d)} = \int d^D q \frac{\text{Tr}[\mathcal{N}(q, h)]}{\bar{D}_0 \bar{D}_1 \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}} =$$



propagators $D_i = (q + p_i)^2 - m_i^2$,

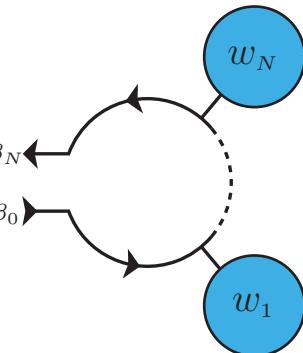
helicity configurations of subtree w_i : h_i

cut open at \bar{D}_0

$$[\mathcal{N}(q, h)]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_N} =$$

spinor/Lorentz indices $\beta_i \Rightarrow$ trace: contraction with $\delta_{\beta_N}^{\beta_0}$,

helicity configurations of $\mathcal{A}_1^{(d)}$: $h = h_1 + \dots + h_N$



Numerator **factorizes** into **segments**:

$$[\mathcal{N}(q, h)]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_N} = \left[\prod_{i=1}^N S_i(q, h_i) \right]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_N} = [S_1(q, h_1)]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_1} [S_2(q, h_2)]_{\beta_1}^{\beta_2} \cdots [S_N(q, h_N)]_{\beta_{N-1}}^{\beta_N}$$

In the SM a segment (external subtree(s) + one loop vertex + propagator) is a q -polynomial of rank $r \leq 1$:

3-point segment:

$$[S_i(q, h_i)]_{\beta_{i-1}}^{\beta_i} = \begin{array}{c} w_i \\ \downarrow k_i \\ \beta_{i-1} - \text{---} - \beta_i \\ D_i \end{array} = \left\{ [Y_{\sigma_i}^i]_{\beta_{i-1}}^{\beta_i} + [Z_{\nu; \sigma_i}^i]_{\beta_{i-1}}^{\beta_i} q^\nu \right\} w_i^{\sigma_i}(k_i, h_i)$$

4-point segment:

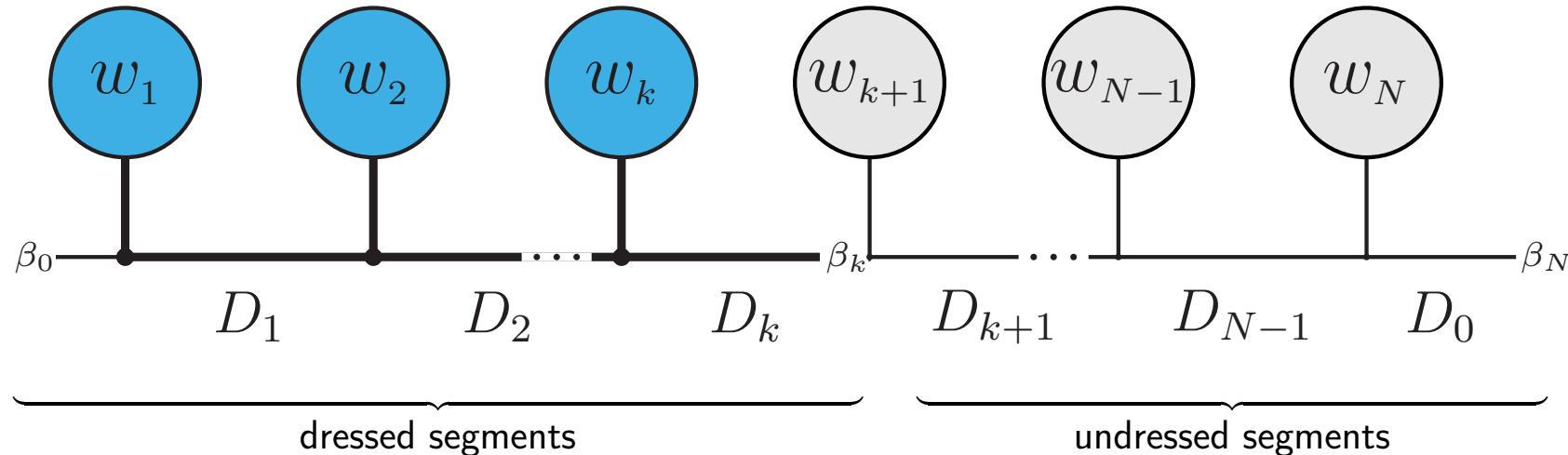
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The OpenLoops dressing step

define partially dressed numerator

$$\mathcal{N}_n(q, \hat{h}_n) = S_1(q, h_1) \cdots S_n(q, h_n)$$

$$(\hat{h}_n = \sum_{i=1}^n h_i)$$



dressing step $\mathcal{N}_n(q, \hat{h}_n) = \mathcal{N}_{n-1}(q, \hat{h}_{n-1})S_n(q, h_n)$ with initial condition $\mathcal{N}_0 = \mathbb{1}$

(rank $R \leq n$) performed numerically for the tensor coefficients in

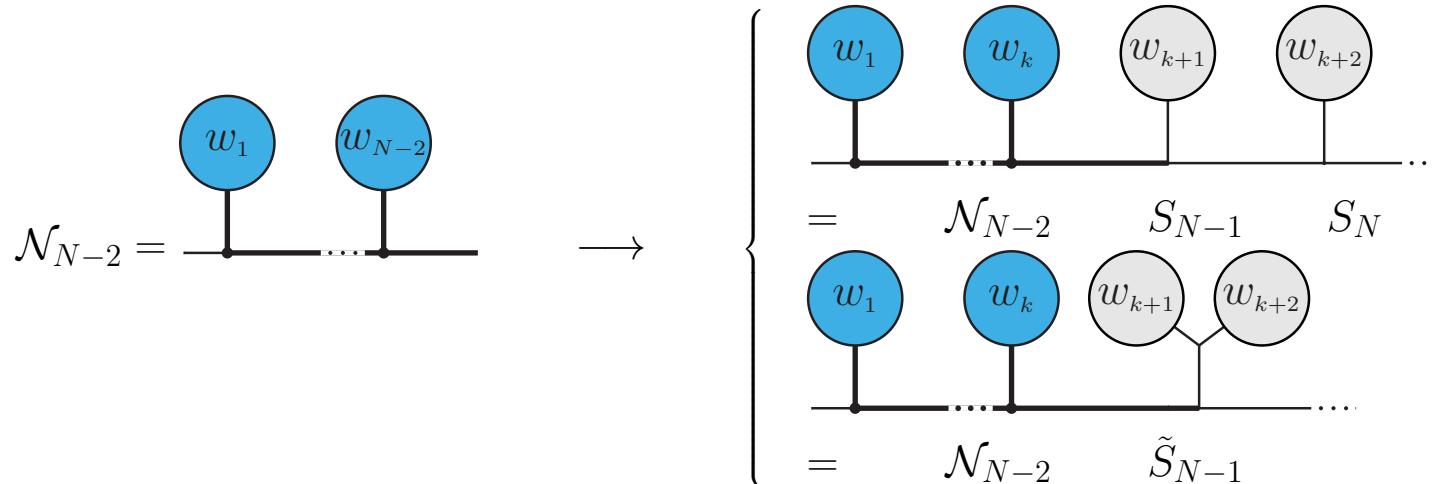
$$\mathcal{N}(q, \hat{h}_n) = \sum_{r=0}^R \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}(\hat{h}_n) q^{\mu_1} \cdots q^{\mu_r},$$

$$\left[\mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}(\hat{h}_n) \right]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_n} = \left\{ \left[\mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}(\hat{h}_{n-1}) \right]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_{n-1}} \left[Y_{\sigma_n}^n \right]_{\beta_{n-1}}^{\beta_n} + \left[\mathcal{N}_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_r}(\hat{h}_{n-1}) \right]_{\beta_0}^{\beta_{n-1}} \left[Z_{\mu_1; \sigma_n}^n \right]_{\beta_{n-1}}^{\beta_n} \right\} w_n^{\sigma_n}(k_n, h_n)$$

Colour, helicity and diagram sums in OpenLoops 1

- for each diagram d and global helicity h configuration construct $\text{Tr}[\mathcal{N}_N^{(d)}(q, h)]$
- colour sum with Born: $\mathcal{V}_N^{(d)}(q, h) = 2 \left(\sum_{\text{col}} \mathcal{M}_0(h)^* \mathcal{C}^{(d)} \right) \text{Tr}[\mathcal{N}_N^{(d)}(q, h)]$
- helicity sum: $\mathcal{V}_N^{(d)}(q) = \sum_h \mathcal{V}_N^{(d)}(q, h)$
- sum same topology diagrams, reduce and evaluate integrals: $\int d^D q \sum_d \frac{\text{Tr}[\mathcal{V}_N^{(d)}(q, 0)]}{\bar{D}_0, \dots, \bar{D}_{N-1}}$

\Rightarrow parent-child trick (recycling of colour-stripped partially dressed numerators)



New idea: formulate the OpenLoops recursion *directly* for the colour-helicity summed interference with the Born amplitude $\mathcal{V}_N^{(d)}(q, 0)$.

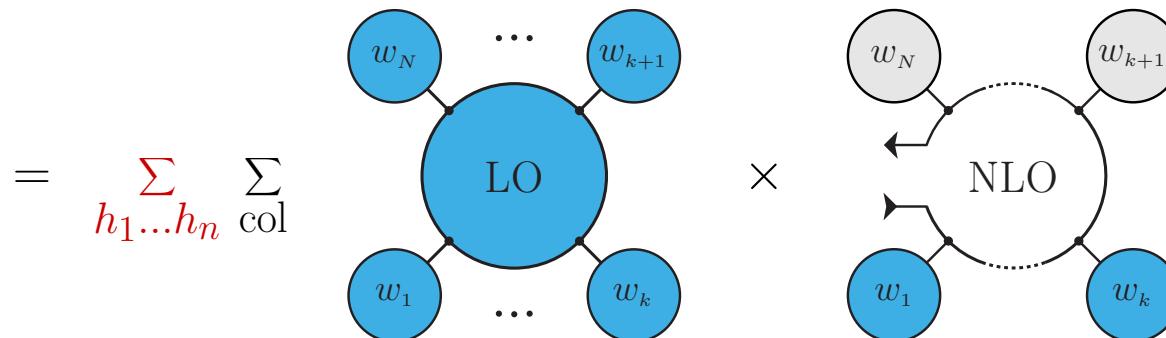
II. New colour and helicity treatment

consider color-helicity summed numerator

$$\mathcal{V}_N(q, \mathbf{0}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h}} 2 \left(\sum_{\text{col}} \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{h})^* \mathcal{C} \right) \mathcal{N}_N(q, \mathbf{h}) = \sum_{h_1 \dots h_N} \underbrace{2 \left(\sum_{\text{col}} \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{h})^* \mathcal{C} \right)}_{= \mathcal{V}_0(\mathbf{h})} S_1(q, \mathbf{h}_1) \cdots S_N(q, \mathbf{h}_N)$$

and formulate recursion for partially dressed numerator with nested helicity sums

$$\mathcal{V}_n(q, \check{\mathbf{h}}_n) = \sum_{h_n} \left[\dots \sum_{h_2} \left[\sum_{h_1} \mathcal{V}_0(\mathbf{h}) S_1(q, \mathbf{h}_1) \right] S_2(q, \mathbf{h}_2) \dots \right] S_n(q, \mathbf{h}_n) \quad \forall \check{\mathbf{h}}_n = h_{n+1} + \dots + h_N$$



and a dressing step as

$$\mathcal{V}_n(q, \check{\mathbf{h}}_n) = \sum_{h_n} \mathcal{V}_{n-1}(q, \check{\mathbf{h}}_{n-1}) S_n(q, \mathbf{h}_n)$$

⇒ Remaining helicity dof are those of the undressed segments!

Parent-child trick not possible (different colour factors) ⇒ OpenLoops Merging instead

The OpenLoops Merging

Sum partially dressed open loops

$$\mathcal{V}_n(q, \check{h}_n) = \sum_{\alpha} \mathcal{V}_n^{(\alpha)}(q, \check{h}_n)$$

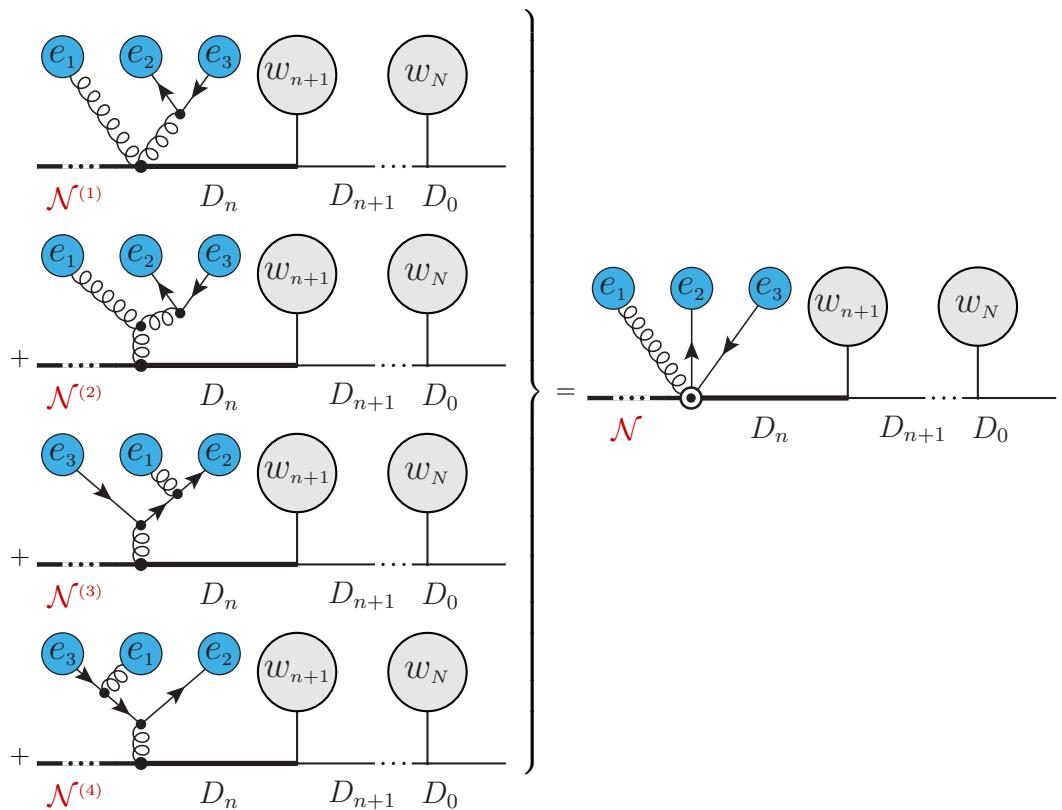
with

- the same topology $\bar{D}_0, \dots, \bar{D}_{N-1}$
- the same undressed segments S_{n+1}, \dots, S_N

since

$$\sum_{\alpha} \frac{\mathcal{V}_n^{(\alpha)} S_{n+1} \dots S_{N-1}}{\bar{D}_0 \bar{D}_1 \dots \bar{D}_{N-1}} = \frac{\mathcal{V}_n S_{n+1} \dots S_{N-1}}{\bar{D}_0 \bar{D}_1 \dots \bar{D}_{N-1}}$$

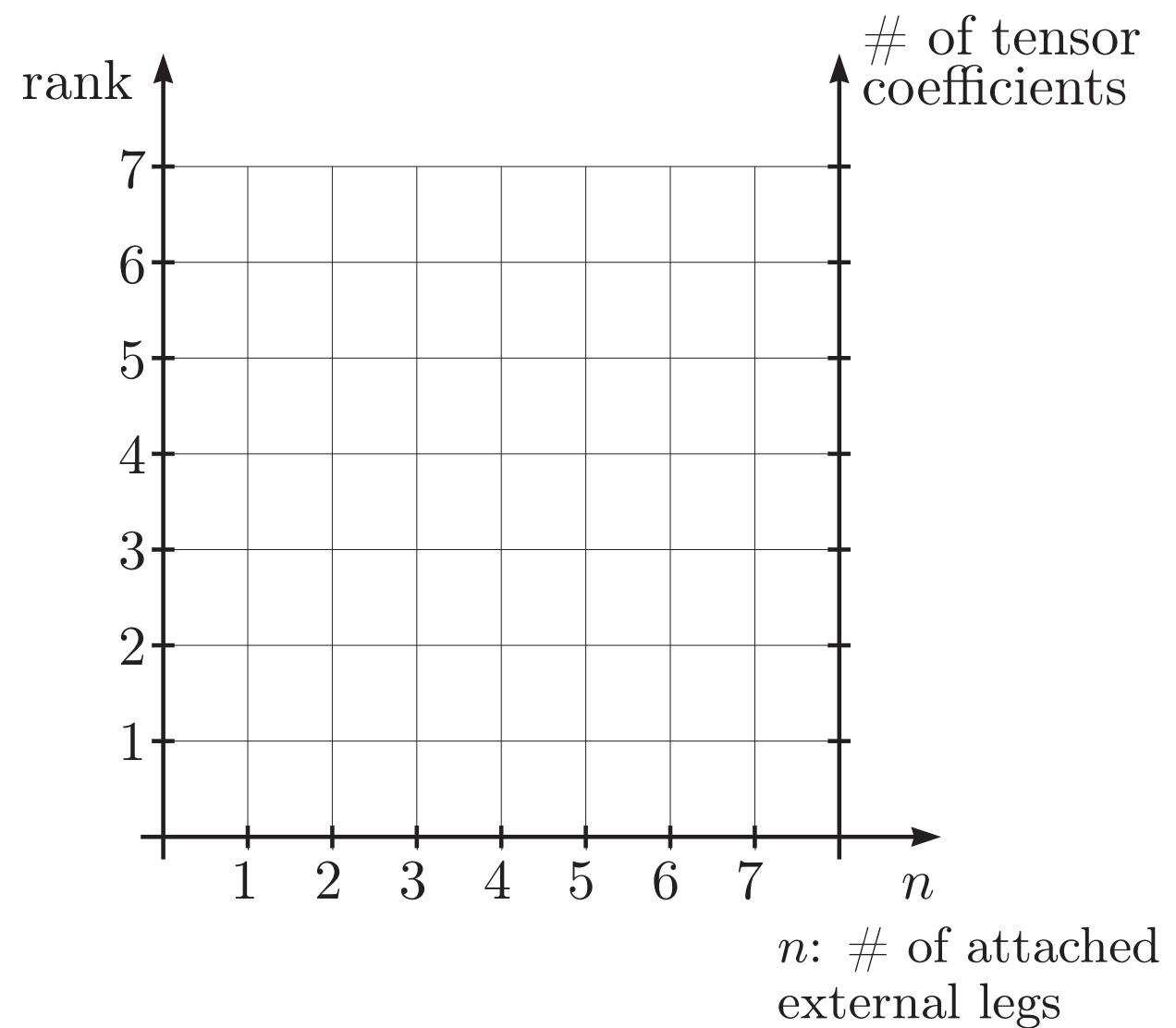
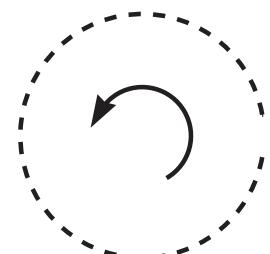
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- ▷ dressing steps for S_{n+1}, \dots, S_N performed only once for the merged object
- ▷ crucial for combination with on-the-fly integrand reduction (see later)

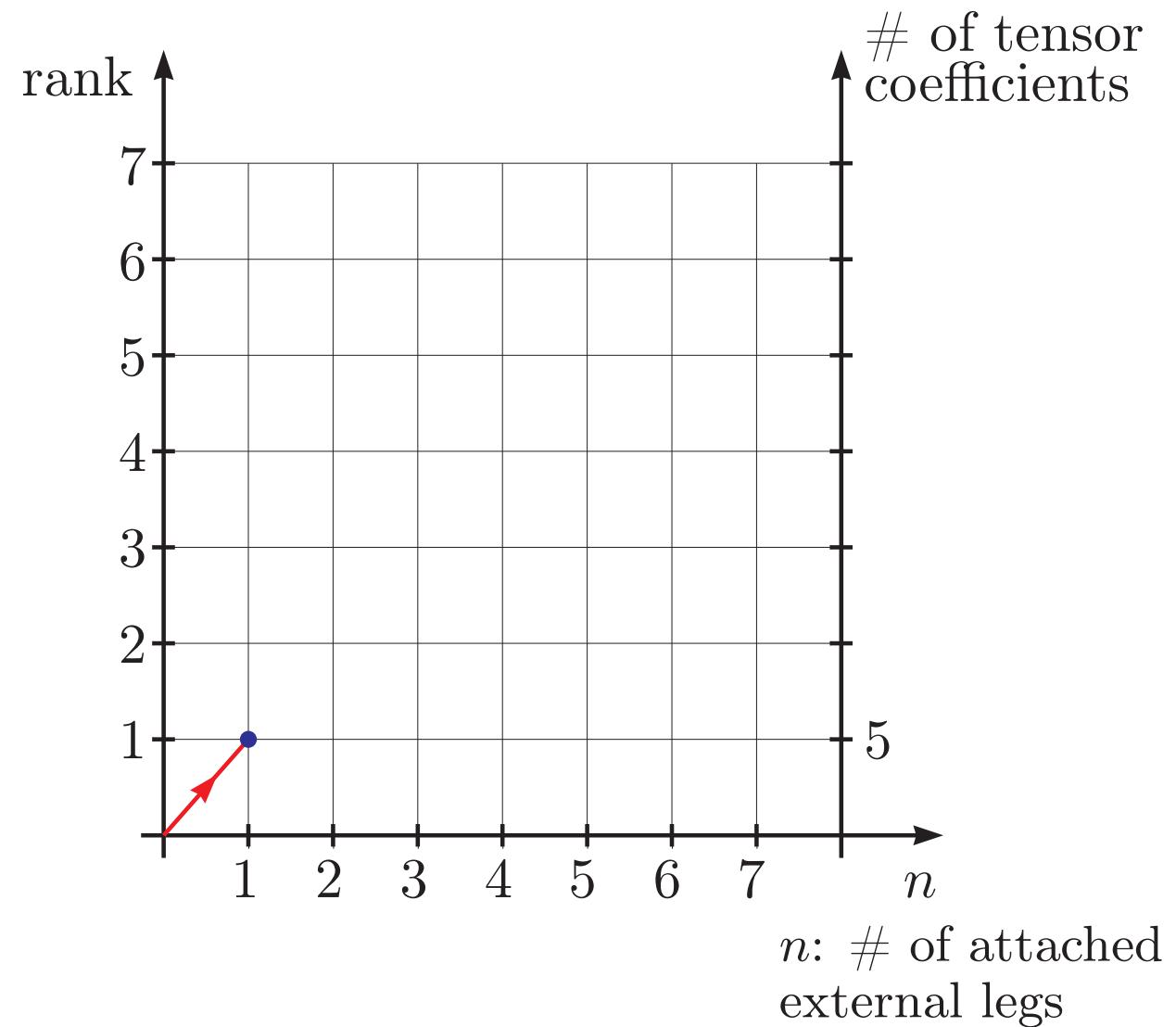
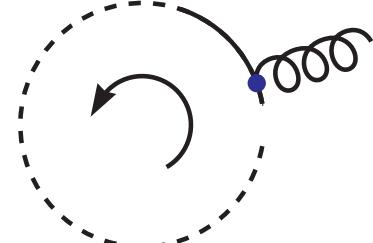
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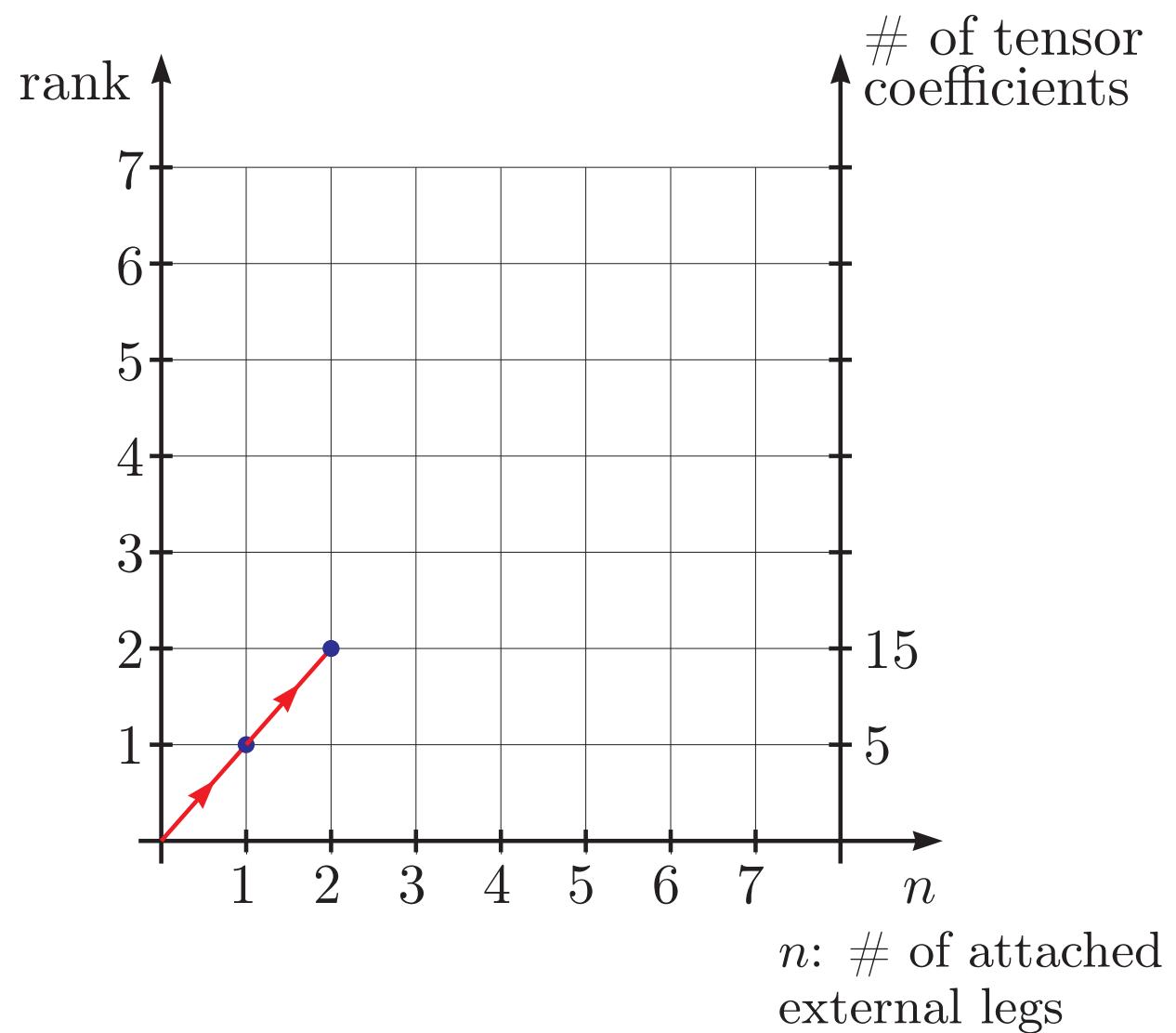
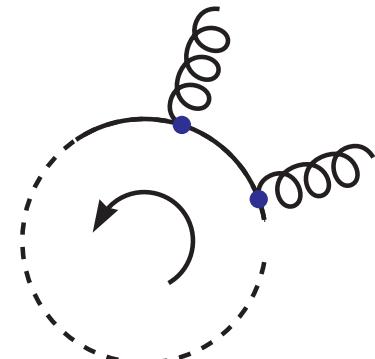
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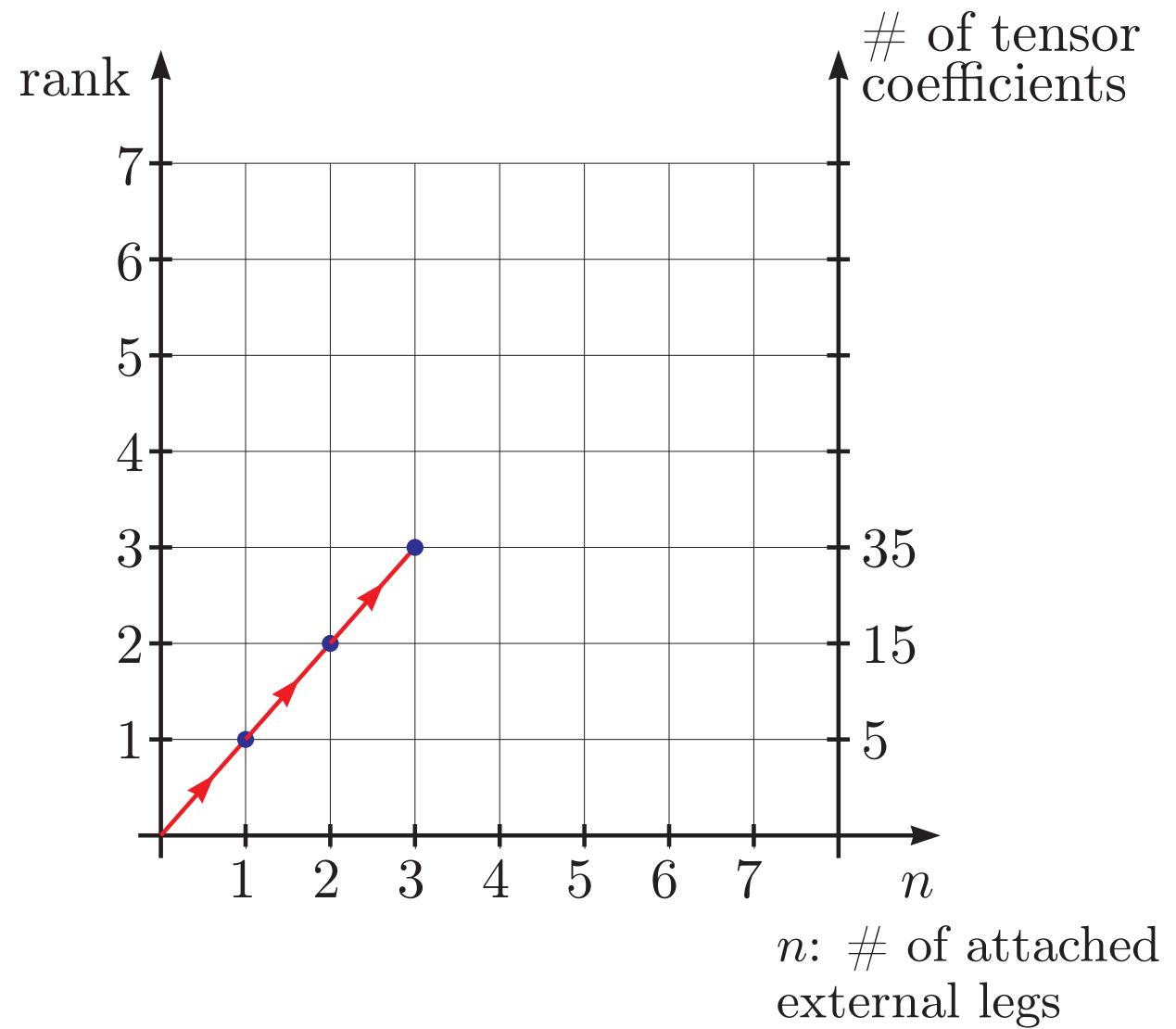
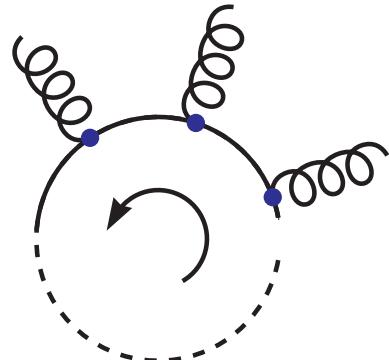
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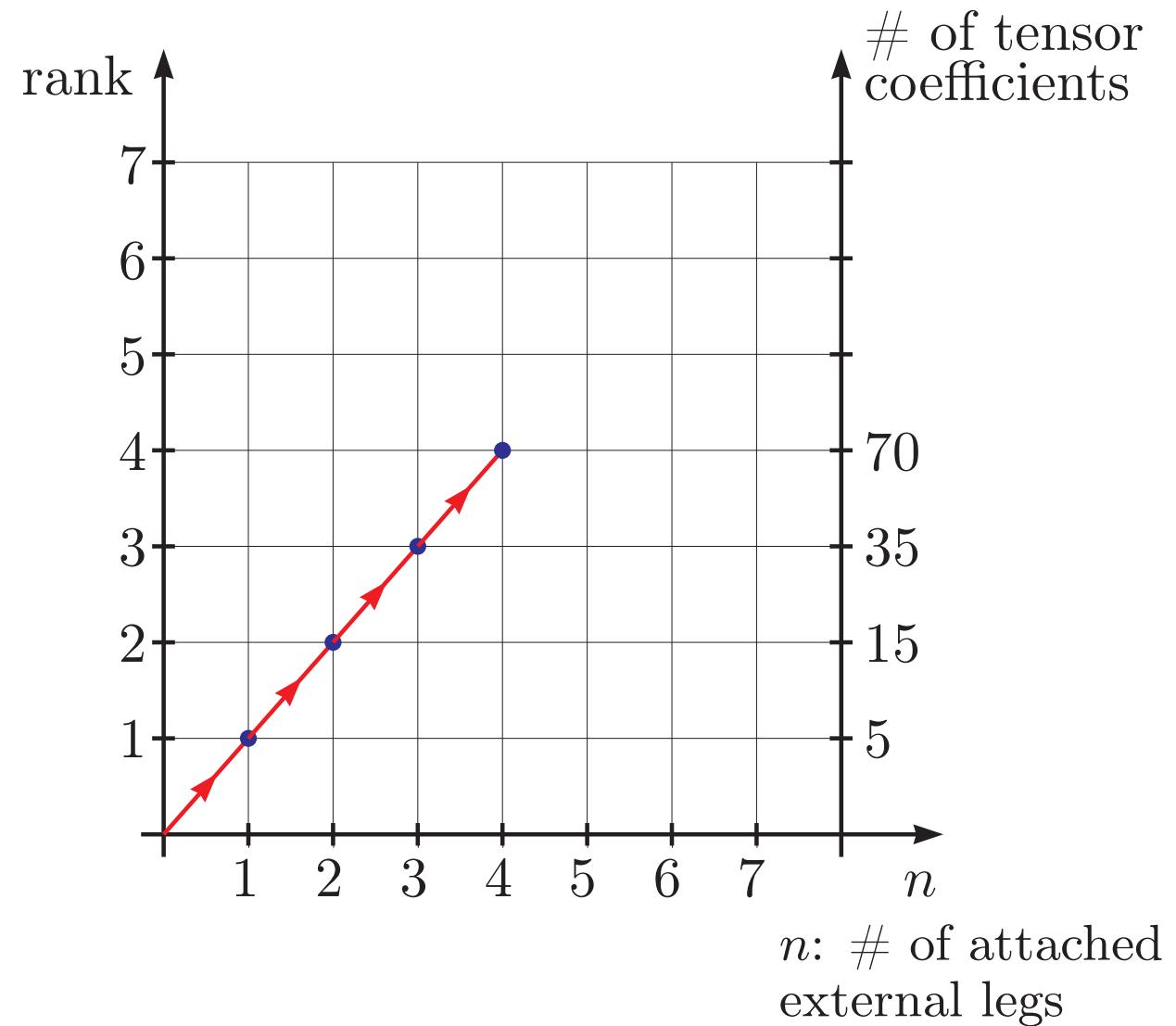
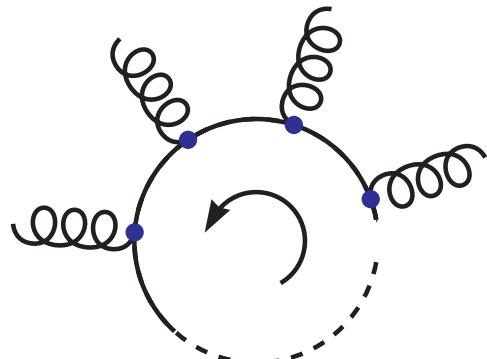
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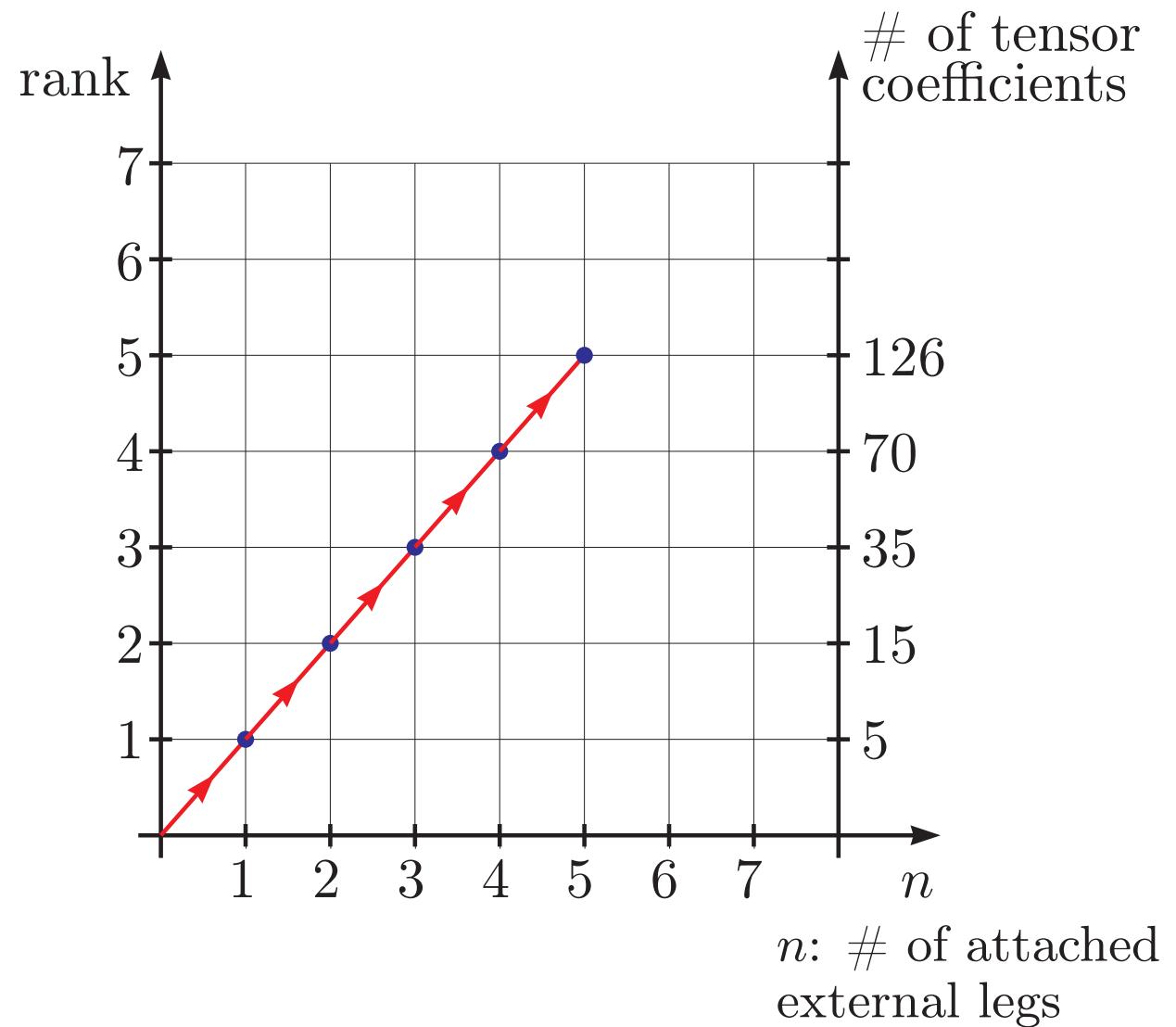
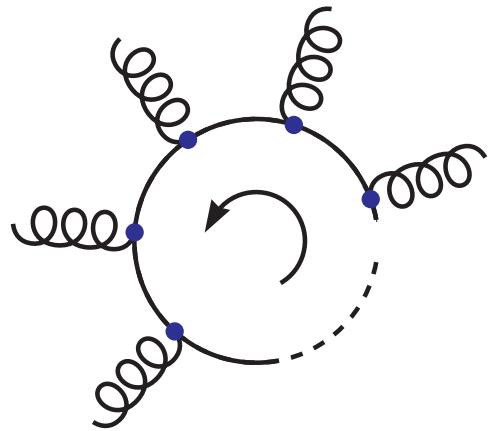
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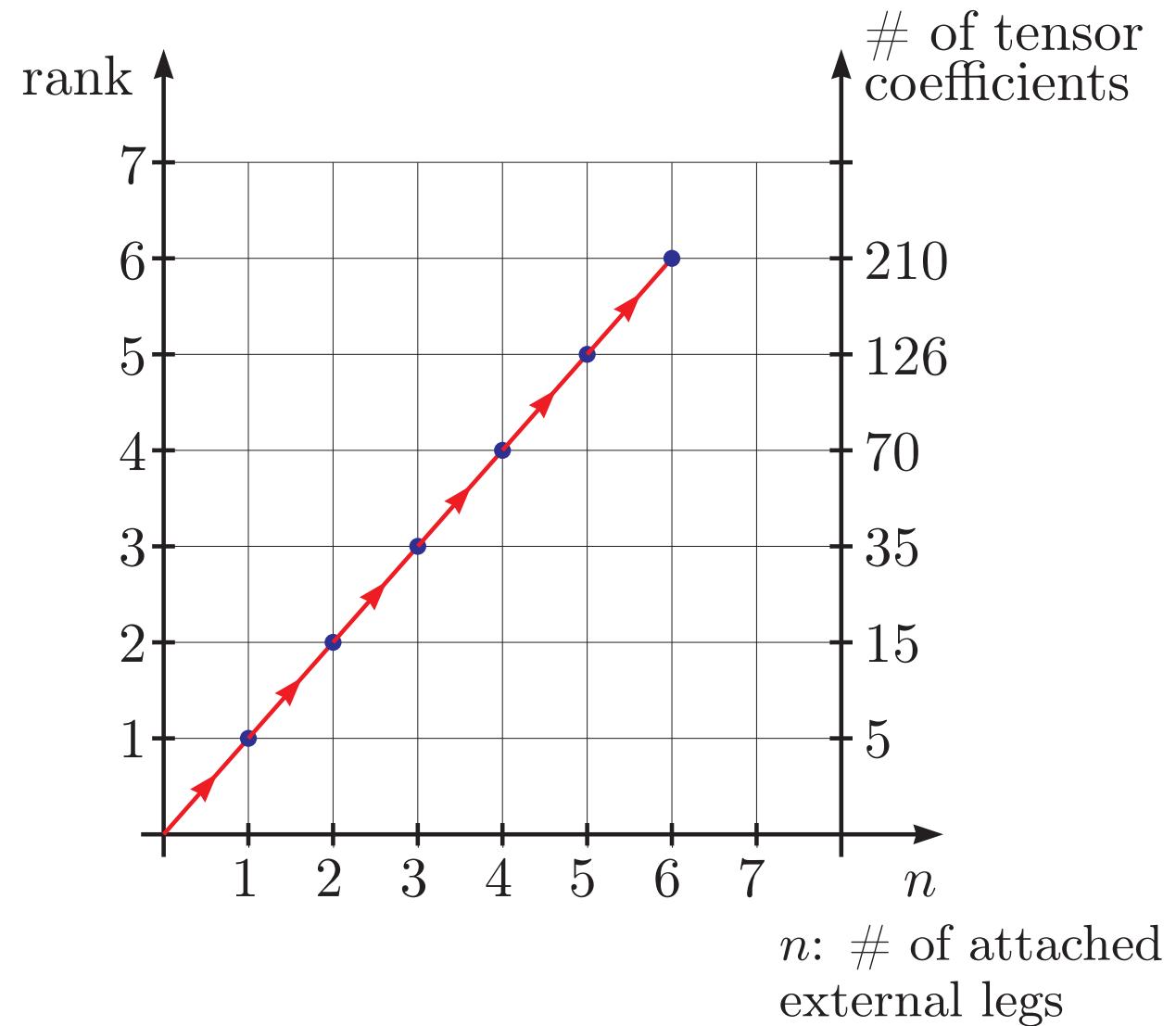
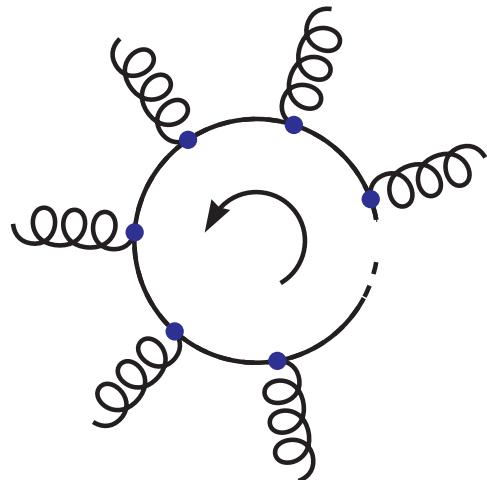
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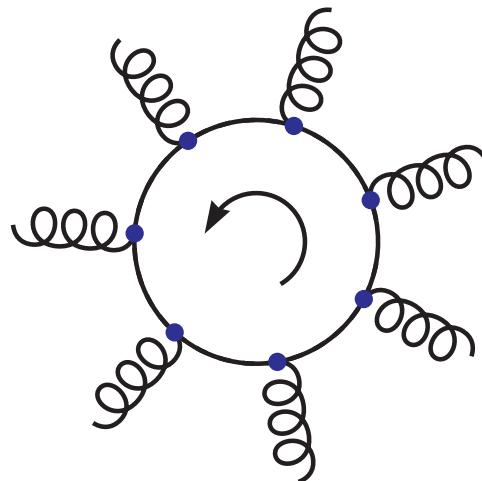
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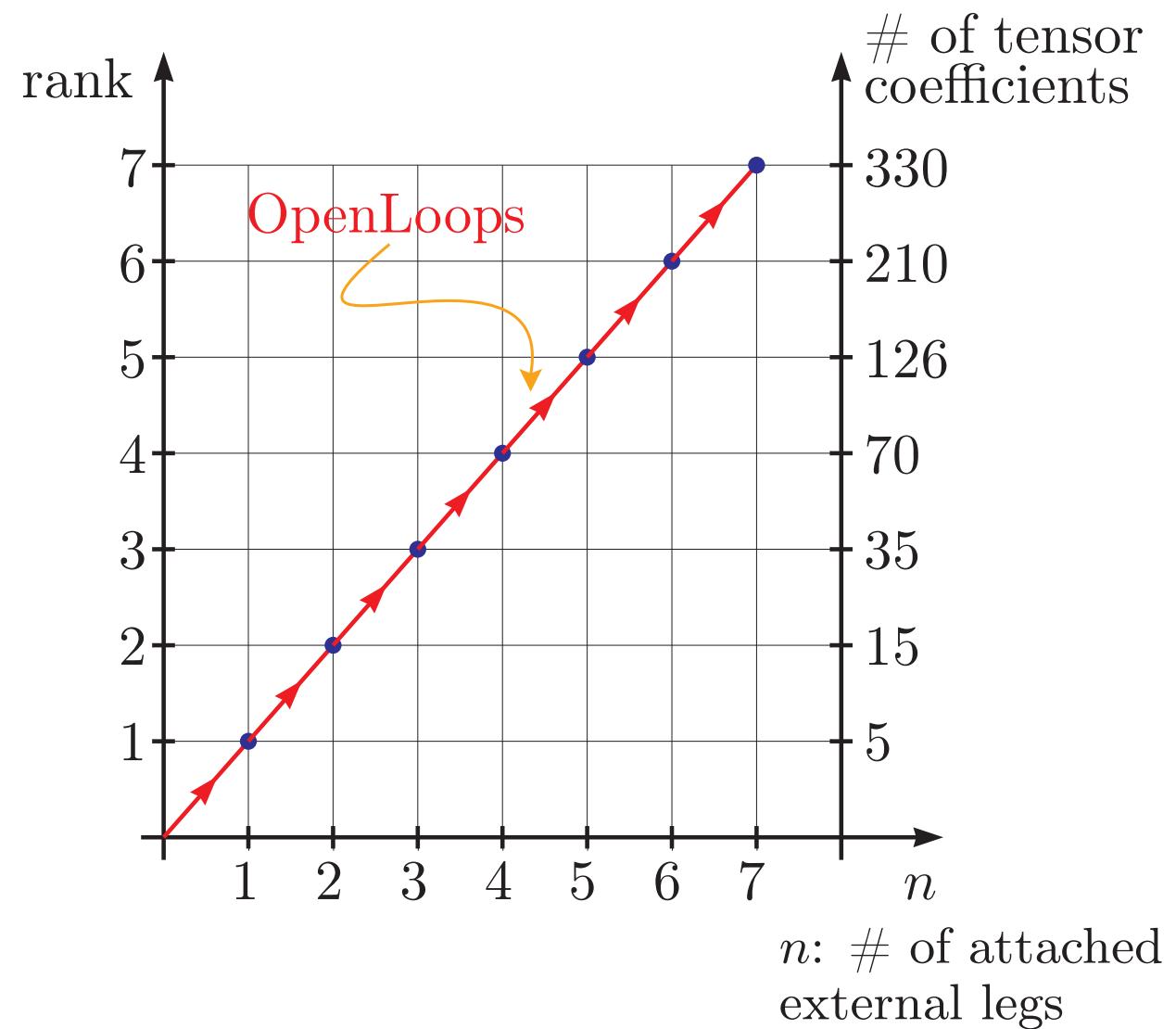


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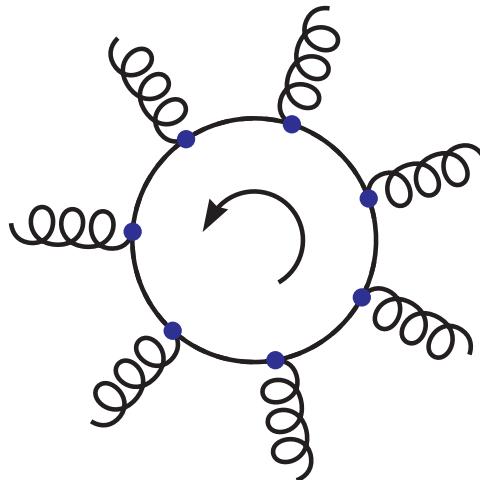


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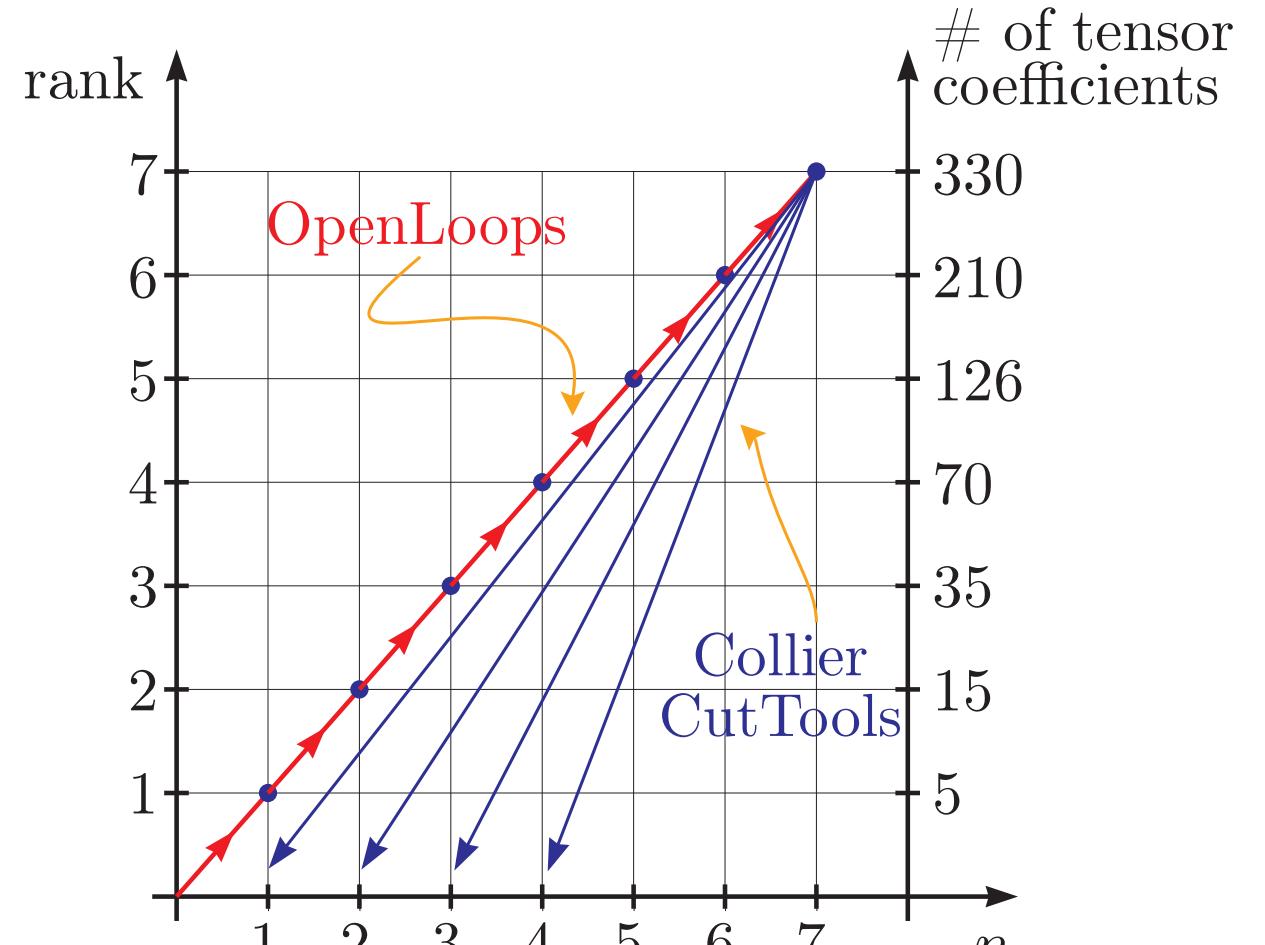


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n : # of attached
external legs

Numerical tensor integral reduction to scalar MI



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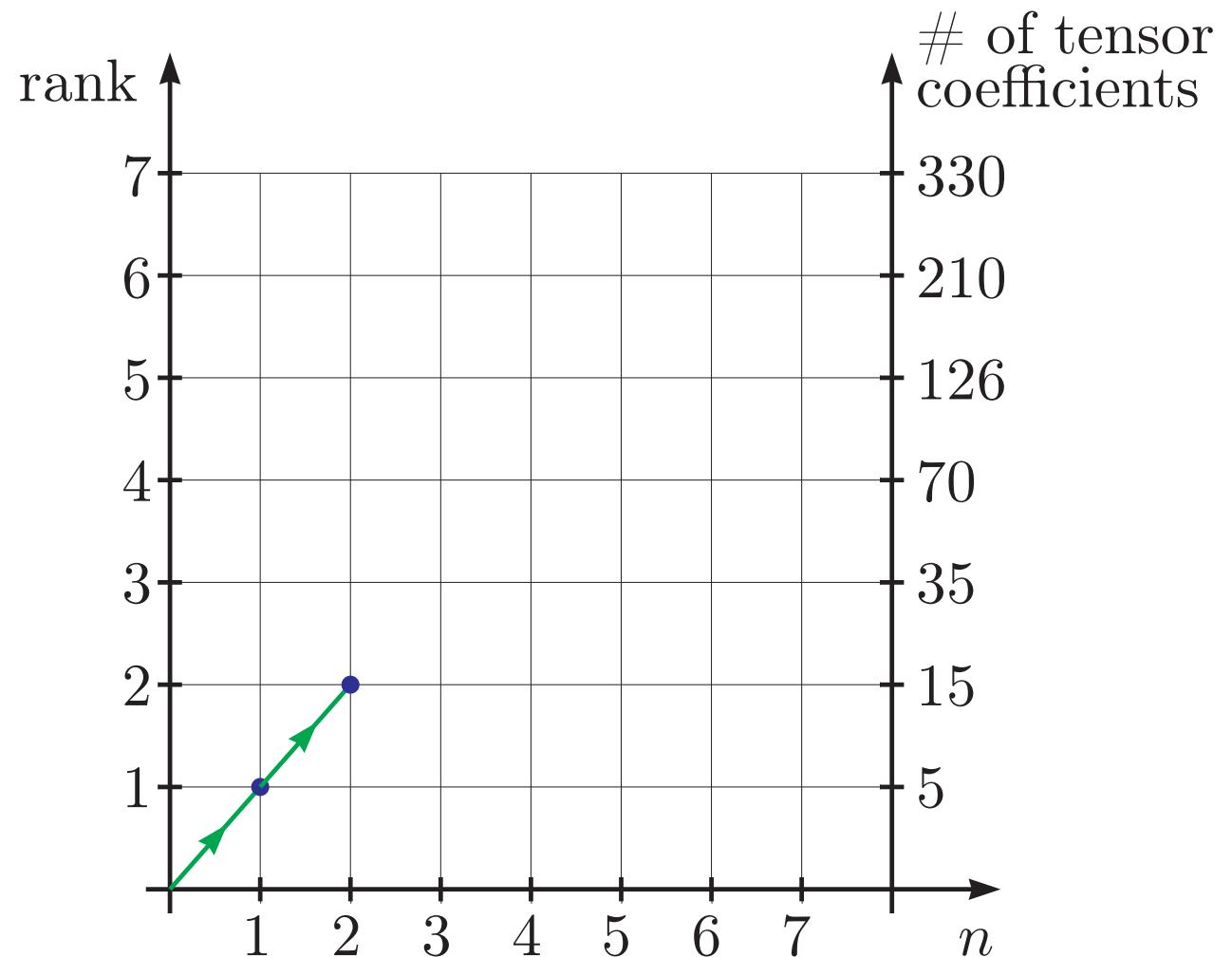
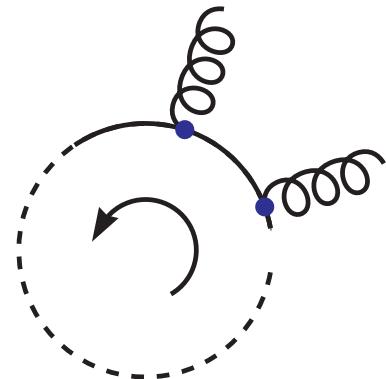
↗ integrand reduction applicable after n steps $\forall n \geq 2$ (independently of future steps!)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\mathcal{V}^{\mu\nu} q_\mu q_\nu}{\bar{D}_0 \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}} = \frac{\mathcal{V}_{-1}^\mu q_\mu + \mathcal{V}_{-1}}{\bar{D}_0 \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}} + \sum_{i=0}^3 \frac{\mathcal{V}_i^\mu q_\mu + \mathcal{V}_i}{\bar{D}_0 \cdots \bar{D}_{i-1} \bar{D}_{i+1} \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}}$$

- q -dependence reconstructed in terms of 4 propagators \Rightarrow new topologies with pinched propagators
 - $A^{\mu\nu}, B_\lambda^{\mu\nu}$ depend on external momenta p_1, p_2, p_3
- \Rightarrow Compute with momentum space basis $l_1^\mu = p_1^\mu - \alpha_1 p_2^\mu, l_2^\mu = p_2^\mu - \alpha_2 p_1^\mu, l_3, l_4 \perp l_1, l_2, l_1^2 = 0$

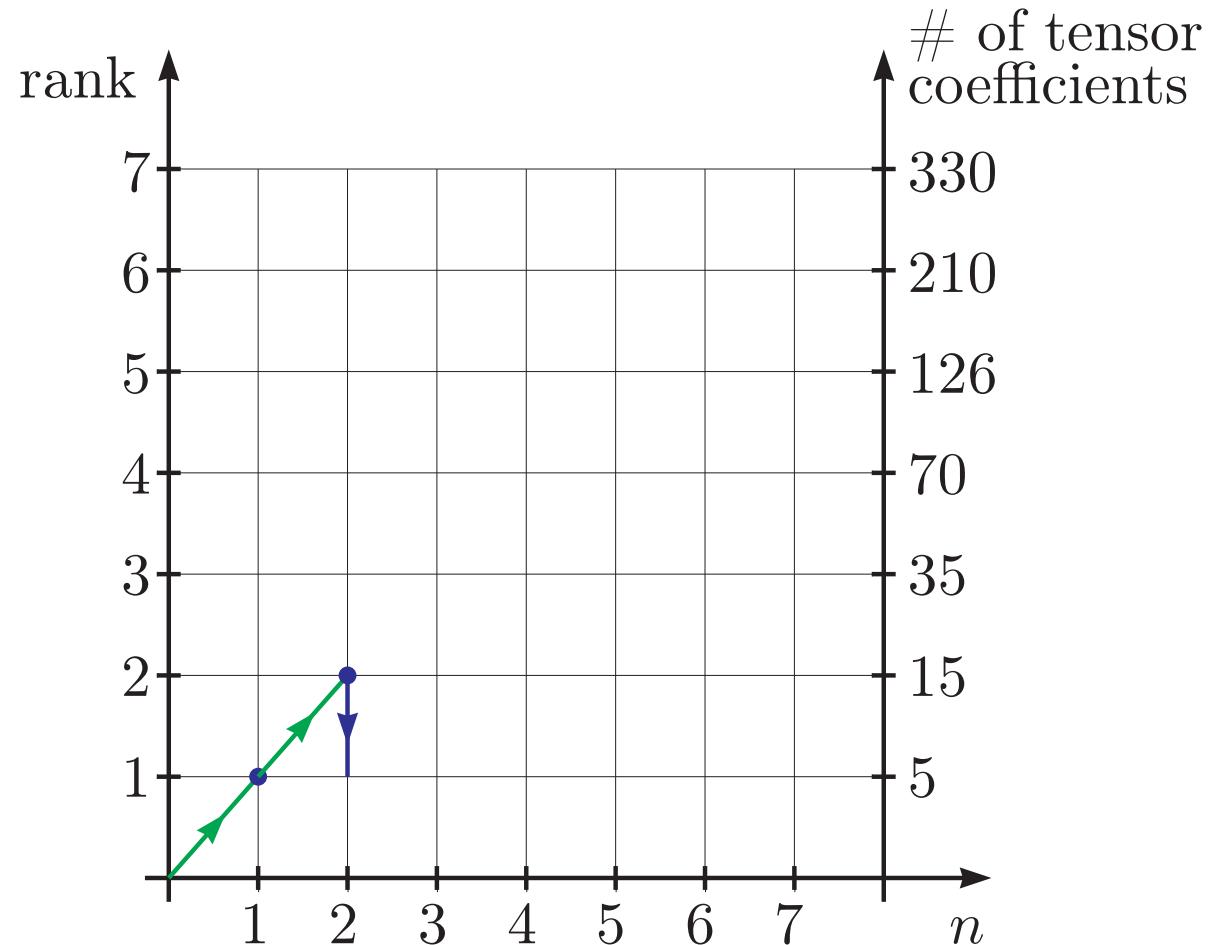
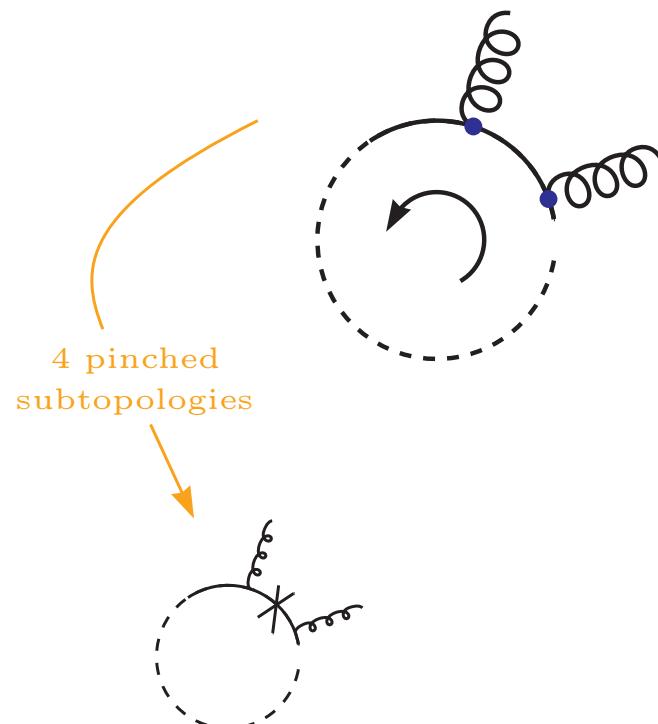
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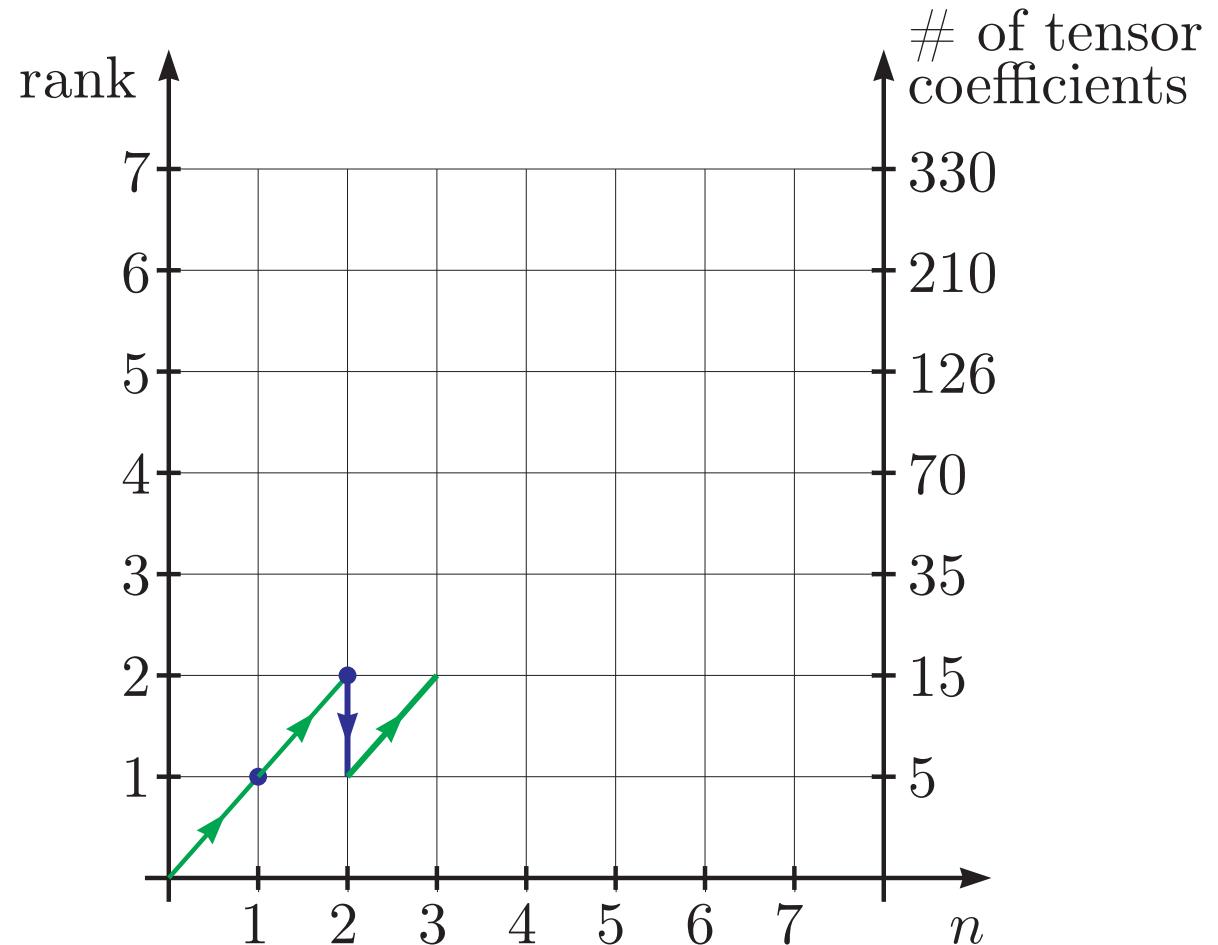
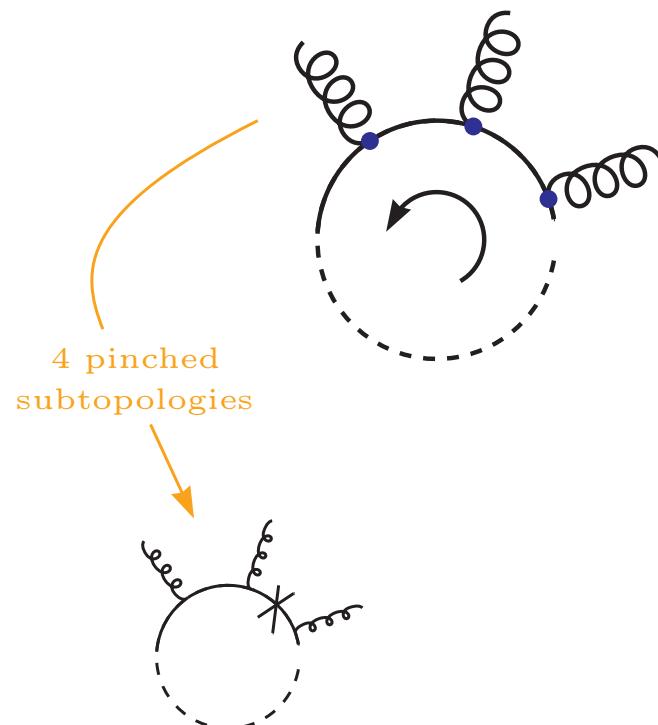
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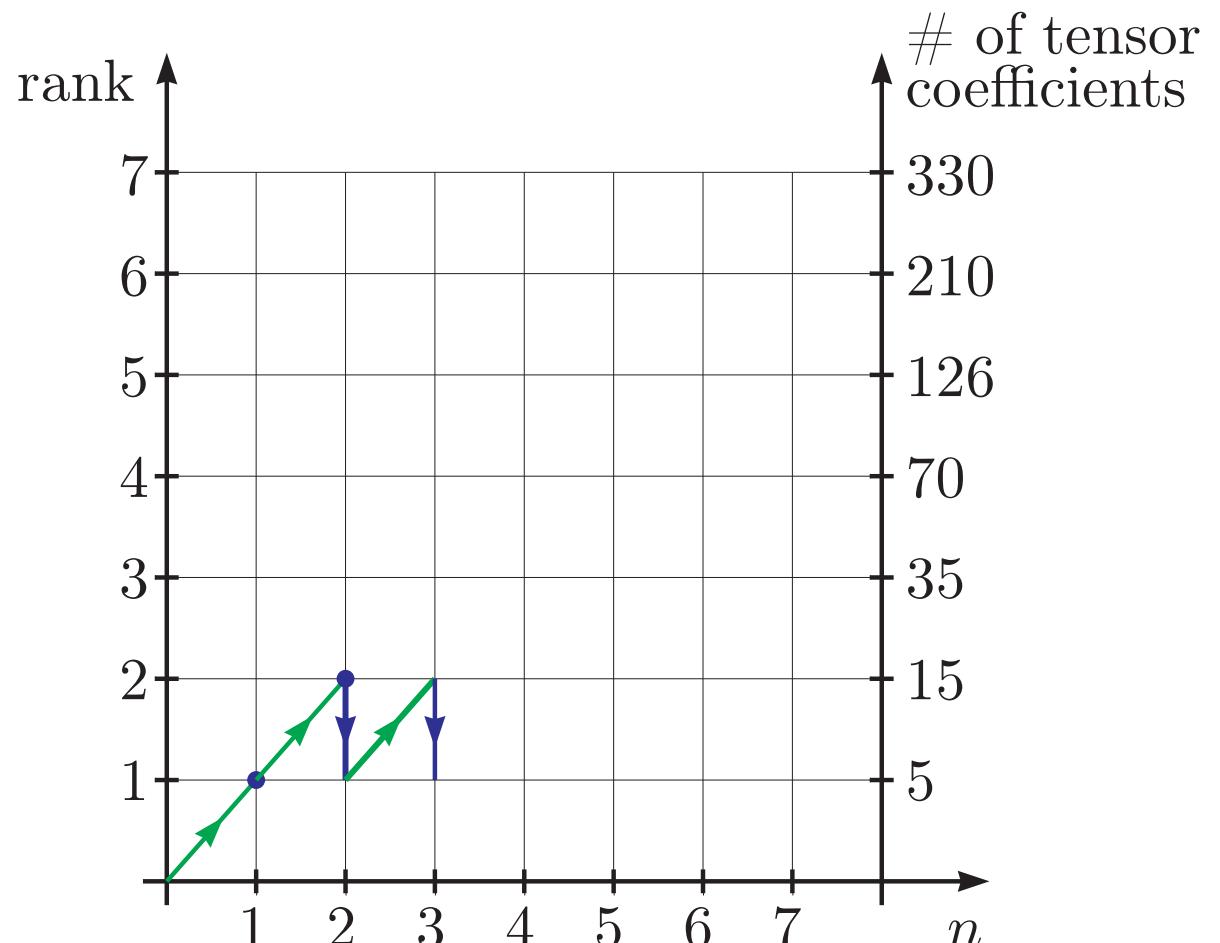
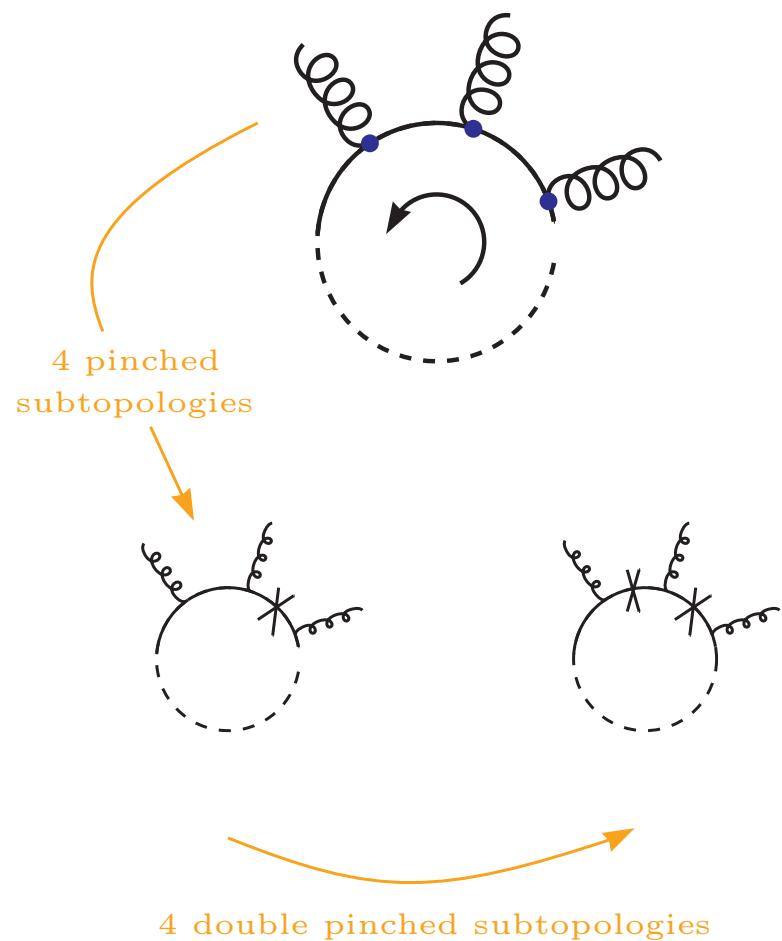
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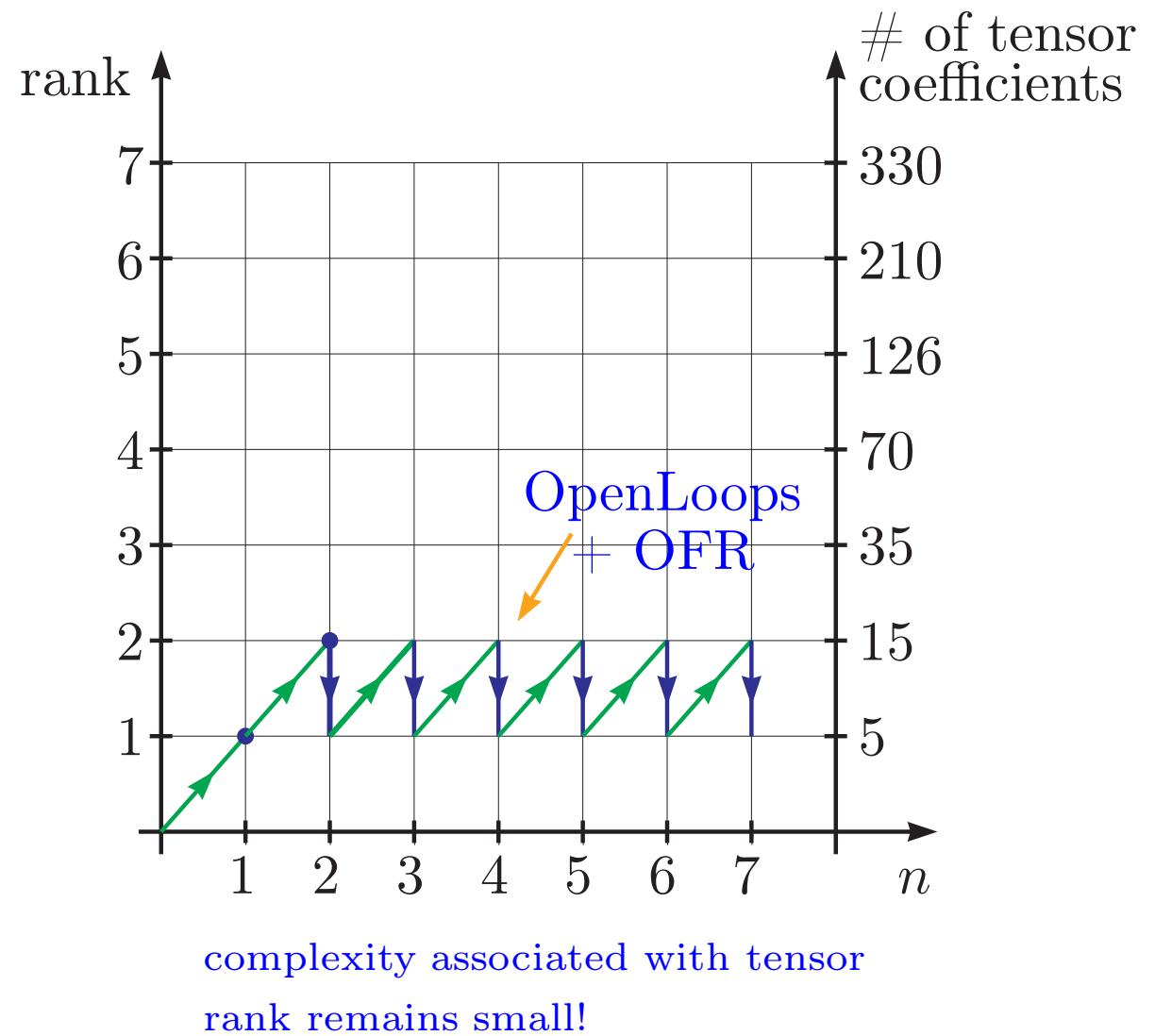
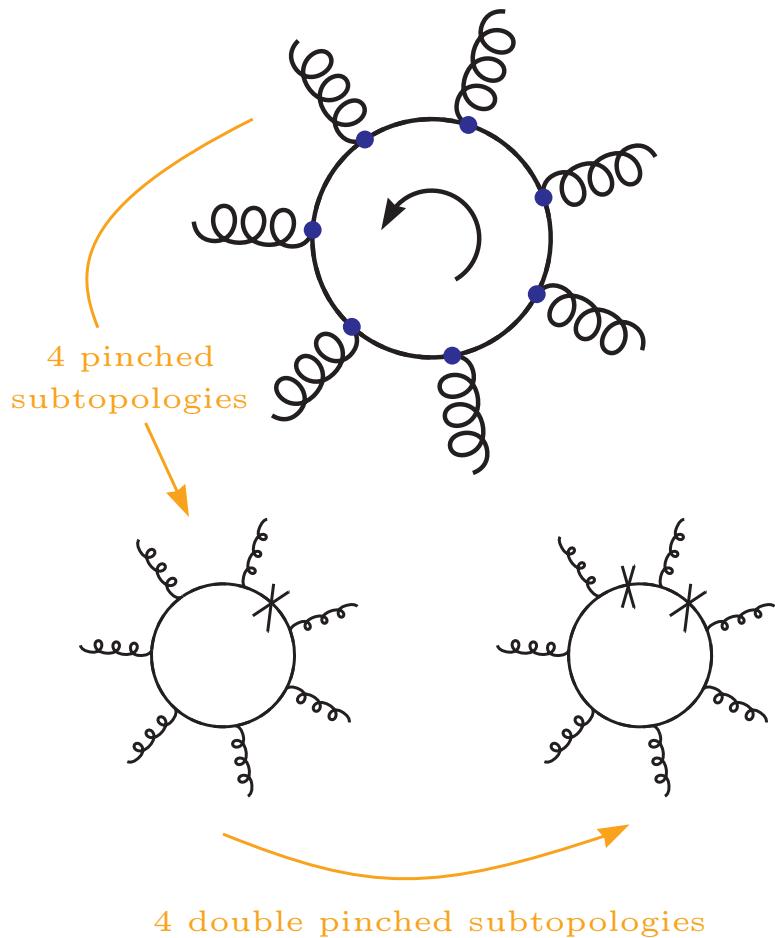
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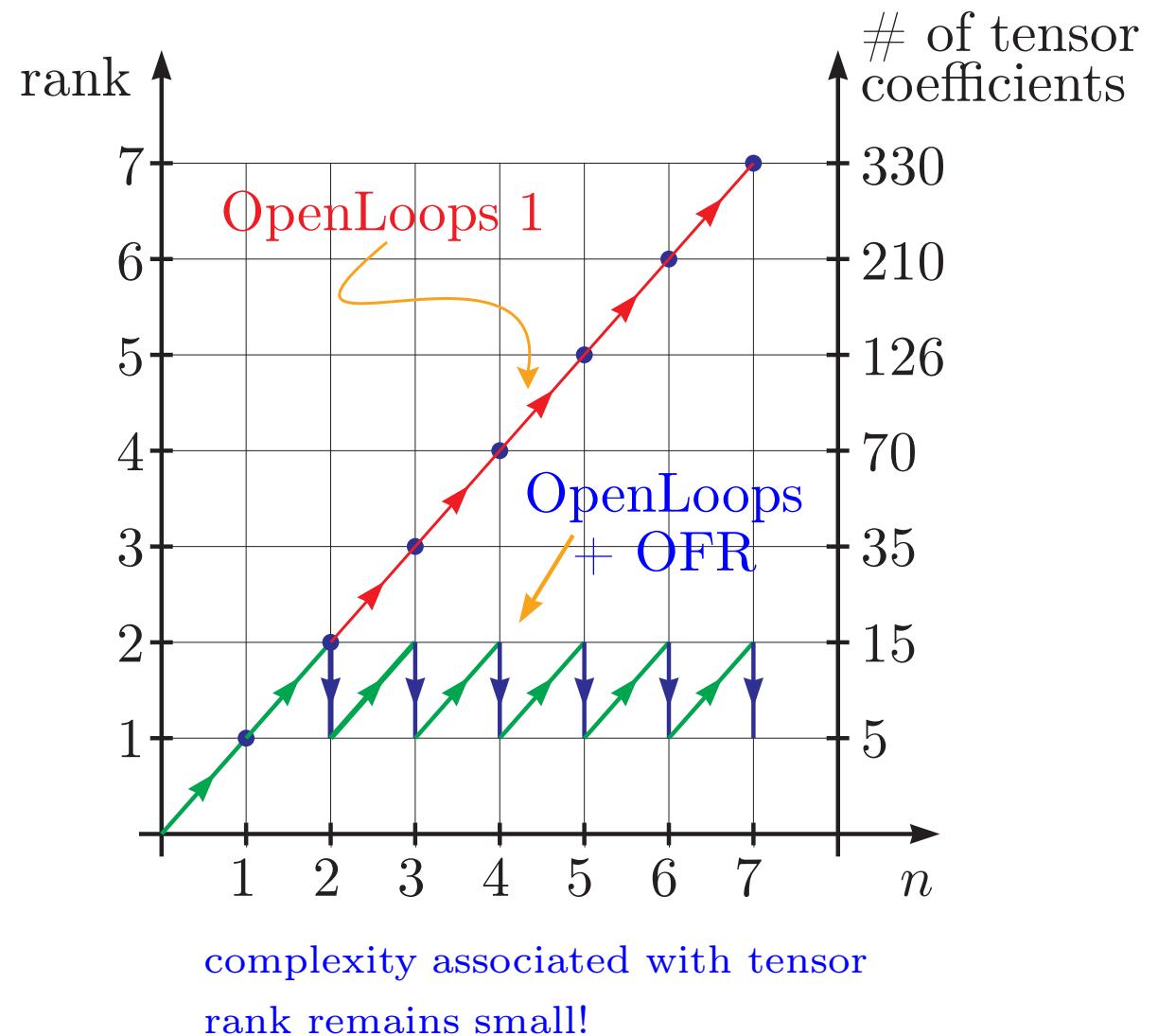
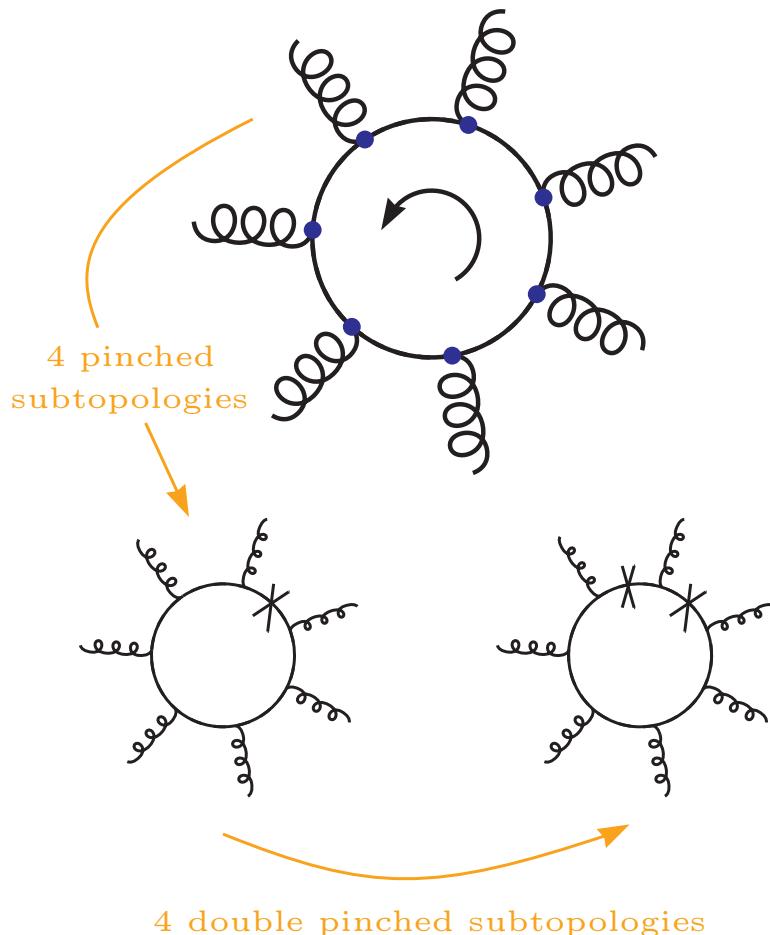
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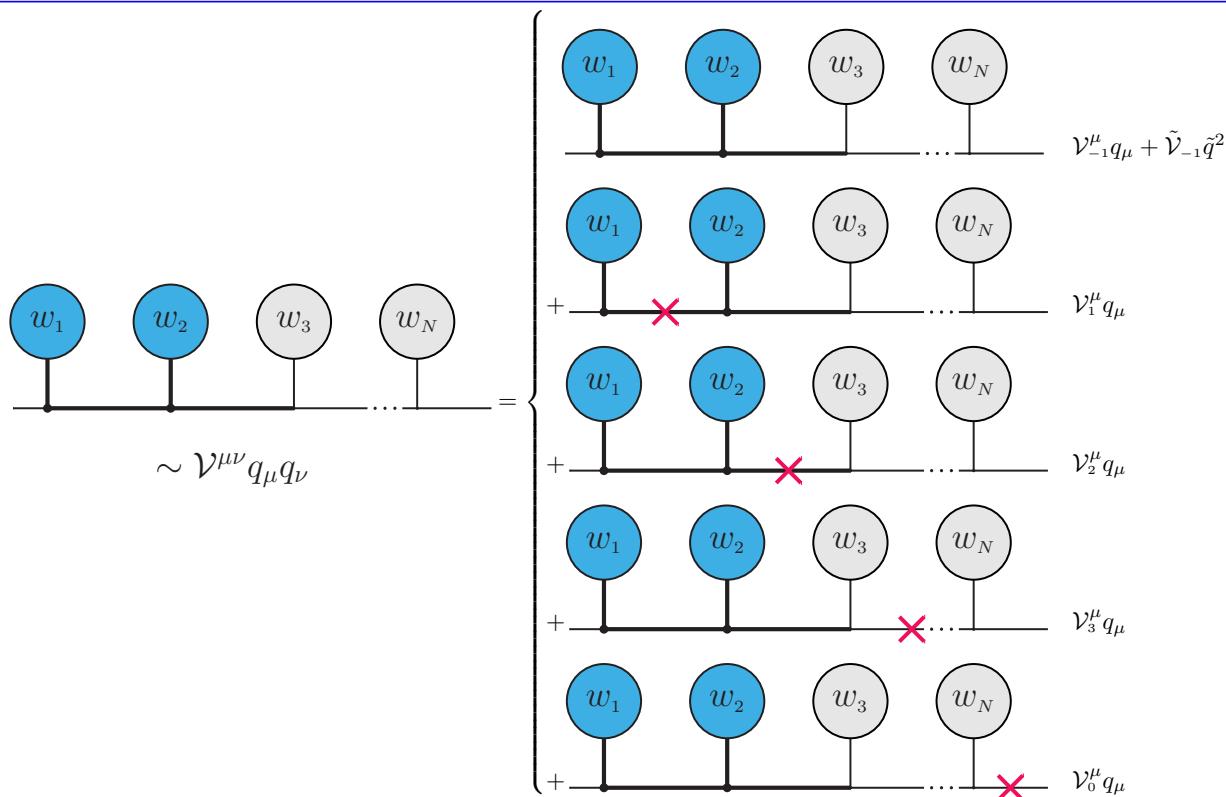
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Problem: huge proliferation of topologies due to **pinching** of propagators

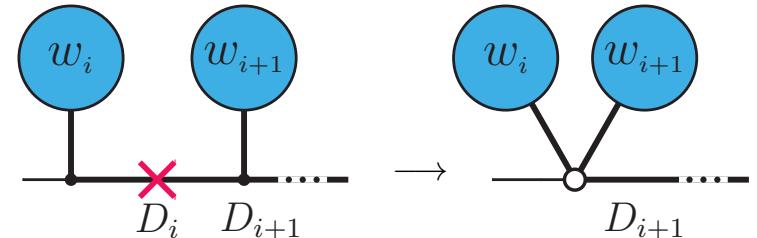
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\mathcal{V}_{\mu\nu} q^\mu q^\nu}{\bar{D}_0 \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}} = \left[\underbrace{\left(\mathcal{V}_{-1}^\mu + \sum_{i=0}^3 \mathcal{V}_i^\mu \bar{D}_i \right) q_\mu}_{\text{rank 1}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{V}_{-1} + \mathcal{V}_0 \bar{D}_0}_{\text{rank 0}} + \underbrace{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{-1} \tilde{q}^2}_{\text{rational term}} \right] \frac{1}{\bar{D}_0 \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}}$$



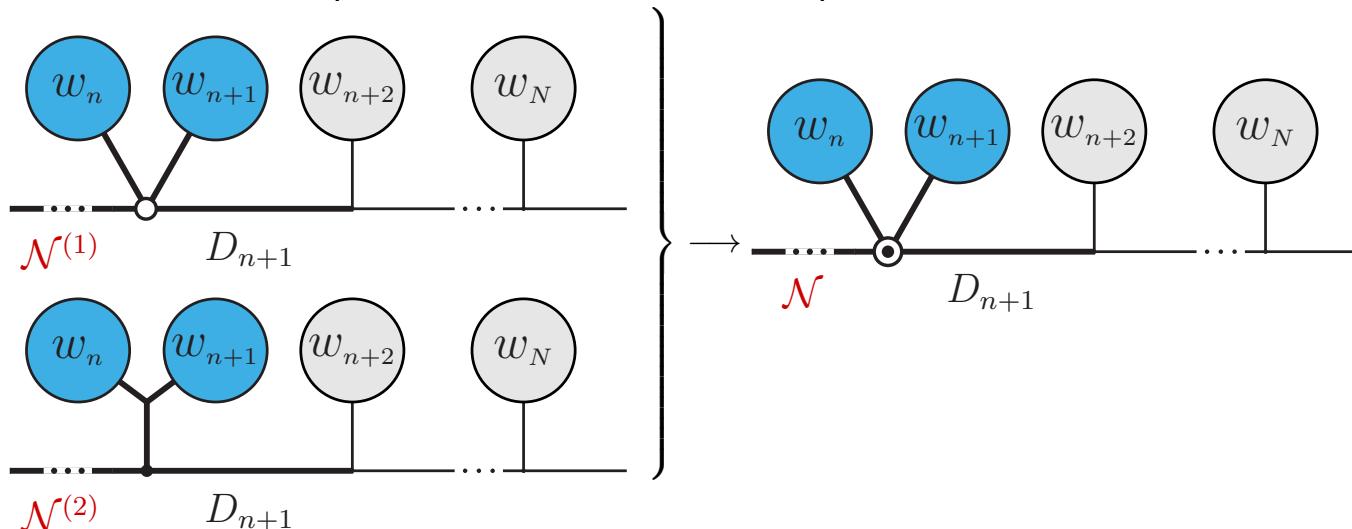
⇒ factor ~ 5 higher complexity after each reduction step!

Solution: OpenLoops Merging

- Contract pinched propagator between dressed segments



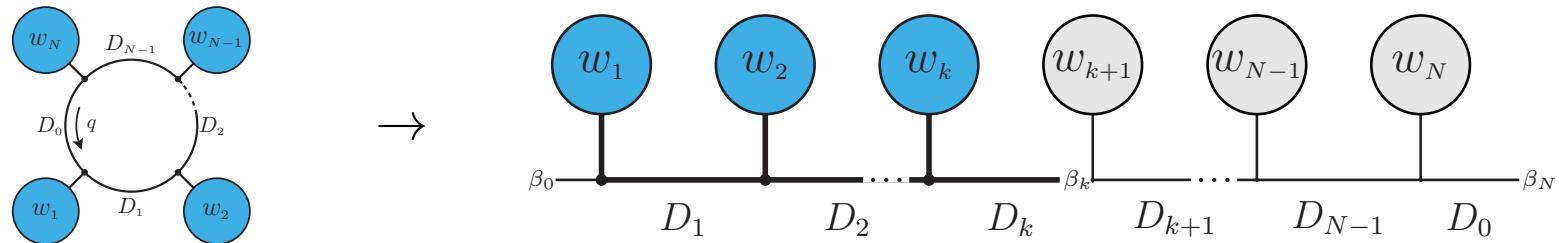
- Merge with all (pinched and unpinched) diagrams with same topology and undressed segments



- No extra cost for pinched topologies after merging
- Algorithm:
 - Start with highest point diagrams → merging with lower point diagrams
 - OpenLoops 2 recursion step: dress one segment → reduce if necessary → merge

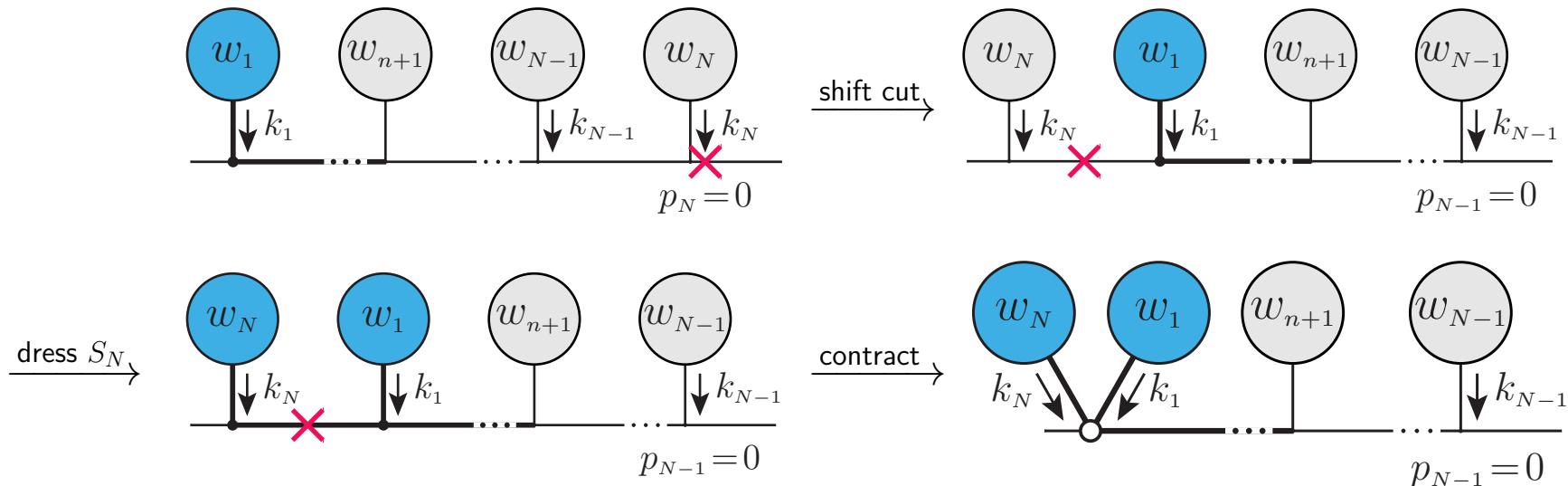
Technicalities

- Important: **Cutting rule**, i.e. choice of \bar{D}_0 .



\Rightarrow One specific external particle always in w_1 .
 \Rightarrow Unique rule for dressing direction based on external particles in w_2 and w_N .

- Treatment of pinches of $\bar{D}_0 = (q^2 - m_0^2)$ $(p_0 = p_N = 0)$



Final integral reduction

- reduce bubbles, rank-1 triangles and boxes with integral level identities [del Aguila, Pittau '05]
- reduce rank-1 and rank-0 integrals with $N \geq 5$ propagators to scalar boxes via simple OPP relations [Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau '07]

$$\frac{\mathcal{V} + \mathcal{V}_\mu q^\mu}{\bar{D}_0 \bar{D}_1 \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}} = \sum_{i_0 < i_1 < i_2 < i_3}^{N-1} \frac{d(i_0 i_1 i_2 i_3)}{\bar{D}_{i_0} \bar{D}_{i_1} \bar{D}_{i_2} \bar{D}_{i_3}}$$

- use Collier 1.2 [Denner, Dittmaier, Hofer '16] for scalar boxes, triangles, bubbles, tadpoles



IV. Numerical Stability

$$q^\mu q^\nu = [A_{-1}^{\mu\nu} + A_0^{\mu\nu} D_0] + \left[B_{-1,\lambda}^{\mu\nu} + \sum_{i=0}^3 B_{i,\lambda}^{\mu\nu} D_i \right] q^\lambda$$

$A_i^{\mu\nu}, B_{i,\lambda}^{\mu\nu}$ computed from reduction basis $l_i(p_1, p_2)$ with $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ and third momentum p_3

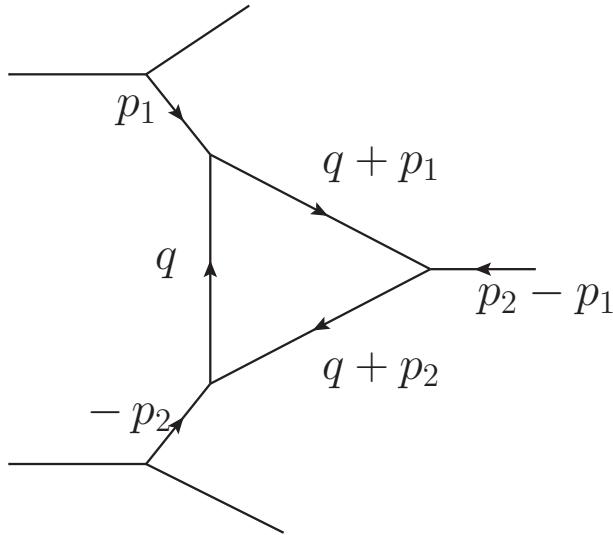
$$\begin{aligned} A_i^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{1}{\gamma} a_i^{\mu\nu}, \\ B_{i,\lambda}^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{1}{\gamma^2} \left[b_{i,\lambda}^{(1)} \right]^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left[b_{i,\lambda}^{(2)} \right]^{\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

Severe numerical instabilities for
 $\gamma \propto \Delta(p_1, p_2) \rightarrow 0$

$$\gamma = \gamma(p_1, p_2) = 4 \frac{\Delta(p_1, p_2)}{p_1 p_2 \pm \sqrt{\Delta(p_1, p_2)}} \text{ with } \Delta = (p_1 p_2)^2 - p_1^2 p_2^2$$

- Freedom to choose two momenta from p_1, p_2, p_3
 \Rightarrow maximize γ in on-the-fly reduction with $N \geq 4$ propagators.
 \Rightarrow avoid small Gram determinants until triangle reduction
- For $N = 3$: identify problematic kinematic configurations and use targeted expansions.

Problematic kinematic configuration: t-channel diagrams with



$$\begin{aligned} p_1^2 &= -p^2 < 0, \\ p_2^2 &= -p^2(1 + \delta), \quad 0 \leq \delta \ll 1, \\ (p_2 - p_1)^2 &= 0, \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{\Delta} &= \frac{p^2}{2}\delta \\ \Rightarrow \gamma &= -p^2\delta^2 \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow expand basis momenta l_i , reduction formula and scalar integrals in δ , e.g. massless rank 1:

$$\begin{aligned} C^\mu &= \frac{2}{\delta^2 p^2} \left\{ B_0(-p^2, 0, 0) [-p_1^\mu(1 + \delta) + p_2^\mu] + B_0(-p^2(1 + \delta), 0, 0) [(p_1^\mu - p_2^\mu)(1 + \delta)] \right\} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\delta} C_0(-p^2, -p^2(1 + \delta), 0, 0, 0) [-p_1^\mu(1 + \delta) + p_2^\mu] \\ &= \frac{p_1^\mu + p_2^\mu}{2p^2} [-B_0(-p^2, 0, 0) + 1] + \delta \frac{p_1^\mu + 2p_2^\mu}{6p^2} [B_0(-p^2, 0, 0)] + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2) \end{aligned}$$

with $C_0(p_1, p_2, m_0, m_1, m_2) \sim \int d^D q \frac{1}{D_0 D_1 D_2}$ and $B_0(p_1, m_0, m_1) \sim \int d^D q \frac{1}{D_0 D_1}$

Implemented: direct expansions for the full reduction of rank ≤ 3 triangles to scalars for all relevant mass configurations up to and including $\mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$ [soon $\mathcal{O}(\delta^4)$].

CPU performance: OpenLoops 1 + Collier/Cuttools vs OpenLoops 2

Runtimes ($10^{-3}s$) per phase-space point

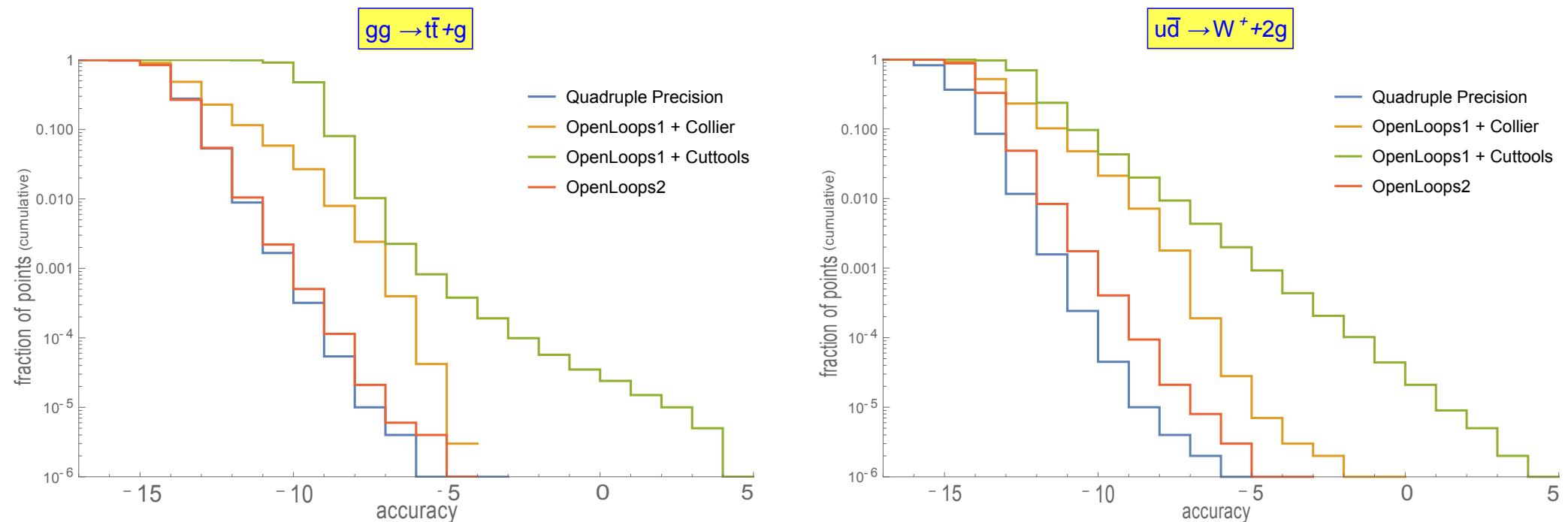
Last column: timing ratio between the fastest OL1+reduction library and OL2

	OL1 (Collier)	OL1 (Cuttools)	OL2	OL1/OL2
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	0.2355	0.4034	0.2385	0.99
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$	4.259	7.066	3.490	1.2
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	$1.154 \cdot 10^2$	$1.612 \cdot 10^2$	$0.7505 \cdot 10^2$	1.5
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	1.408	2.486	1.019	1.4
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$	35.03	50.23	22.93	1.5
$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$	$1.330 \cdot 10^3$	$1.519 \cdot 10^3$	$0.6010 \cdot 10^3$	2.2
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+ g$	0.2972	0.6274	0.3255	0.91
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+ gg$	5.690	11.30	5.222	1.1
$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+ ggg$	$1.787 \cdot 10^2$	$2.380 \cdot 10^2$	$1.078 \cdot 10^2$	1.7
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+ W^-$	0.2622	0.4140	0.1756	1.5
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+ W^- g$	8.528	12.04	7.011	1.2
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow W^+ W^- gg$	$2.441 \cdot 10^2$	$2.817 \cdot 10^2$	$1.278 \cdot 10^2$	1.9

Factor ~ 2 speedup wrt OpenLoops 1 for nontrivial processes!

Stability of OpenLoops 1 and 2 in double precision: $2 \rightarrow 3$ processes (at $\sqrt{\hat{s}} = 1$ TeV)

Probability of relative accuracy \mathcal{A} or less (wrt OL1 + Cuttools in quad precision, 10^6 uniform random points)



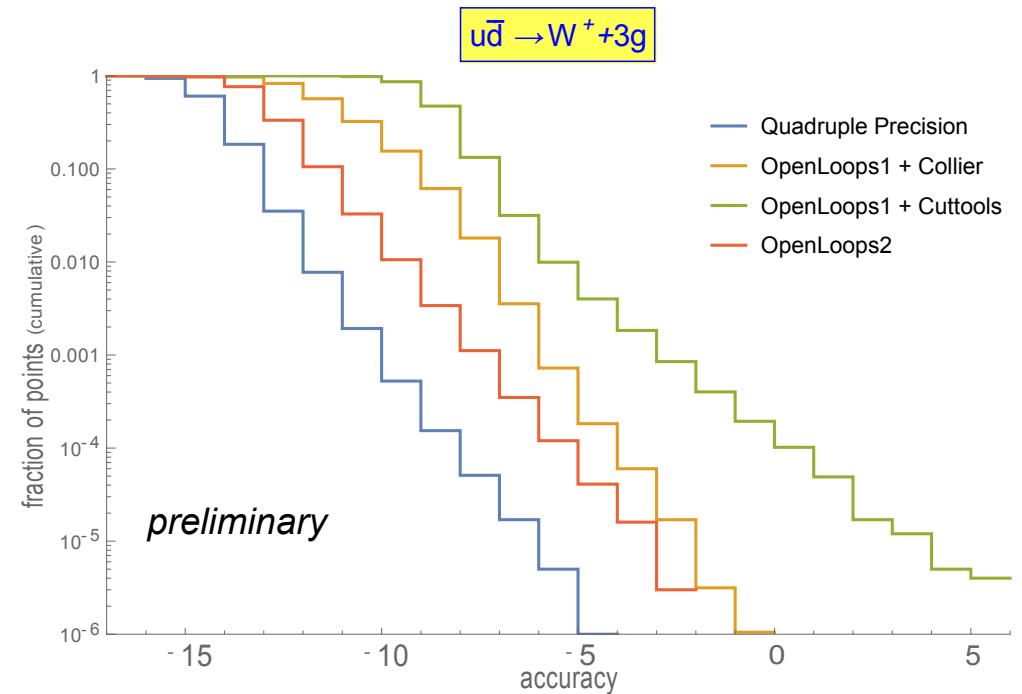
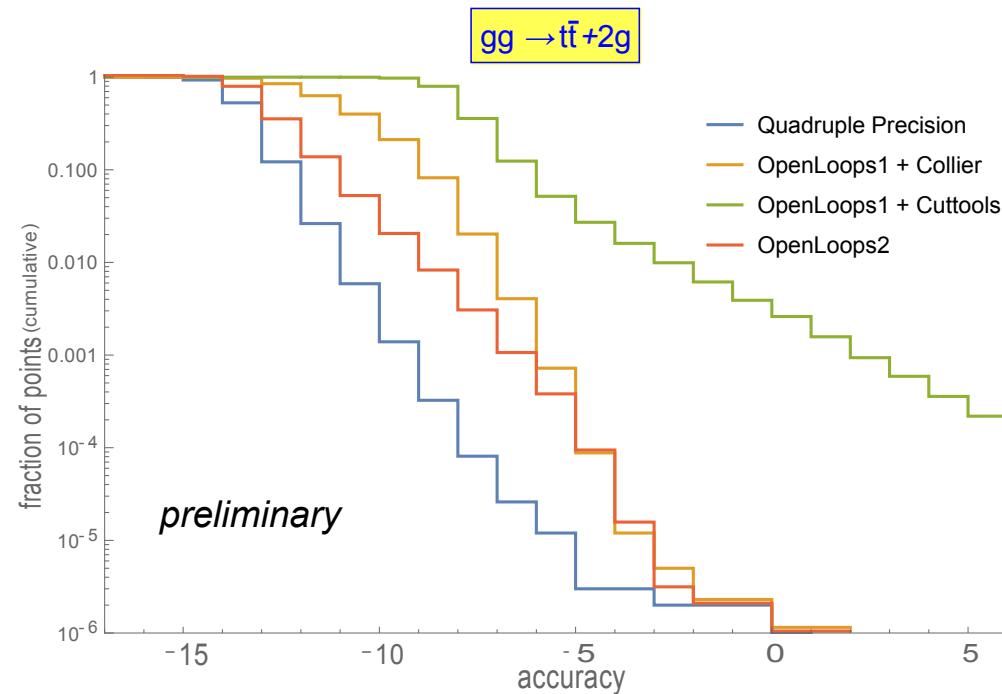
- Hard cuts: $p_T > 50$ GeV and $\Delta R_{ij} \Rightarrow 0.5$ for final state QCD partons
($\Delta R_{ij} = \sqrt{(\eta_i - \eta_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2}$, ϕ_i azimuthal angle, η_i rapidity)
- Behaviour in the tails crucial for real-life applications
- 1 to 3 orders of magnitude improvement wrt OL1 + Cuttools and Collier in DP

Excellent stability thanks to on-the fly reduction and minimal Δ -expansions

Soft region under investigation \Rightarrow important for real-virtual part of NNLO

Stability of OpenLoops 1 and 2 in double precision: $2 \rightarrow 4$ processes (at $\sqrt{\hat{s}} = 1$ TeV)

Probability of relative accuracy \mathcal{A} or less (wrt OL1 + Cuttools in quad precision, 10^6 uniform random points)



- Same hard cuts as for $2 \rightarrow 3$
- Orders of magnitude improvement wrt Cuttools and similar or better stability wrt Collier
- Further improvements in the tail under investigation

Very good stability thanks to on-the fly reduction and minimal Δ -expansions

V. Summary and Outlook

- New algorithm for construction and reduction of 1-loop amplitudes in a single recursion
- Drastic reduction of complexity at all stages of the calculation ($\text{rank} \leq 2$)
- New colour and helicity treatment + OpenLoops merging \Rightarrow significant gain in CPU efficiency
- Same level of automation and same interface as OpenLoops 1
- Dedicated stability analysis possible in a single dressing and reduction tool
 \Rightarrow Simple targeted expansions provide excellent numerical stability in the hard regions
- future projects:
 - improvement of stability in real-virtual NNLO contributions (soft region)
 - extension to 2 loops