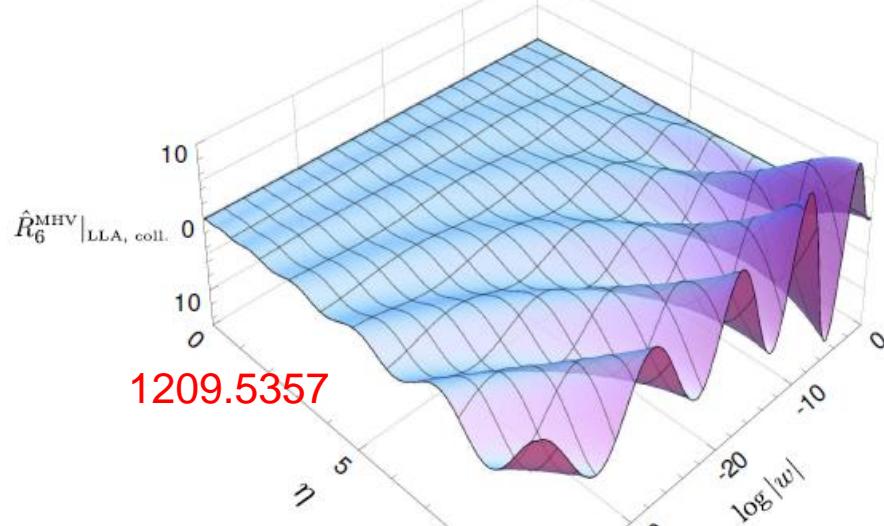


# Single-valued Harmonic Polylogarithms and the Multi-Regge-Limit (Part I)



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with C. Duhr and J. Pennington, arXiv:1207.0186  
also: J. Pennington, arXiv:1209.5357

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# Solving planar N=4 SYM scattering

- Exact exponentiation of 4 & 5 gluon amplitudes
- Dual (super)conformal invariance
- Amplitudes equivalent to Wilson loops
- Strong coupling → minimal area “soap bubbles”

Can these structures be used to solve **exactly** in coupling for **all** planar N=4 SYM amplitudes?  
What is the first nontrivial case to solve?

# All planar N=4 SYM integrands

Arkani-Hamed, Bourjaily, Cachazo, Caron-Huot, Trnka, 1008.2958, 1012.6032

- All-loop BCFW recursion relation for integrand ☺
- Manifest Yangian invariance (huge group containing dual conformal symmetry).
- Multi-loop integrands written in terms of “momentum-twistors”.
- Still have to do integrals over the loop momentum ☹

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{MHV}}^{\text{2-loop}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j < k < l < i} \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of a 2-loop MHV Feynman diagram with external legs labeled } j, k, l, i. \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{NMHV}}^{\text{2-loop}} = \sum_{\substack{i < j < l < m \leq k < i \\ i < j < k < l < m \leq i \\ i \leq l < m \leq j < k < i}} \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of a 2-loop NMHV Feynman diagram with external legs labeled } j, l, m, k, i. \end{array} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j < k < l < i} \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of a 2-loop NMHV Feynman diagram with external legs labeled } j, k, l, i. \end{array}$$

$$\times [i, j, j+1, k, k+1] \times \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{A}_{\text{NMHV}}^{\text{tree}}(j, \dots, k; l, \dots, i) \\ + \mathcal{A}_{\text{NMHV}}^{\text{tree}}(i, \dots, j) \\ + \mathcal{A}_{\text{NMHV}}^{\text{tree}}(k, \dots, l) \end{array} \right\}$$

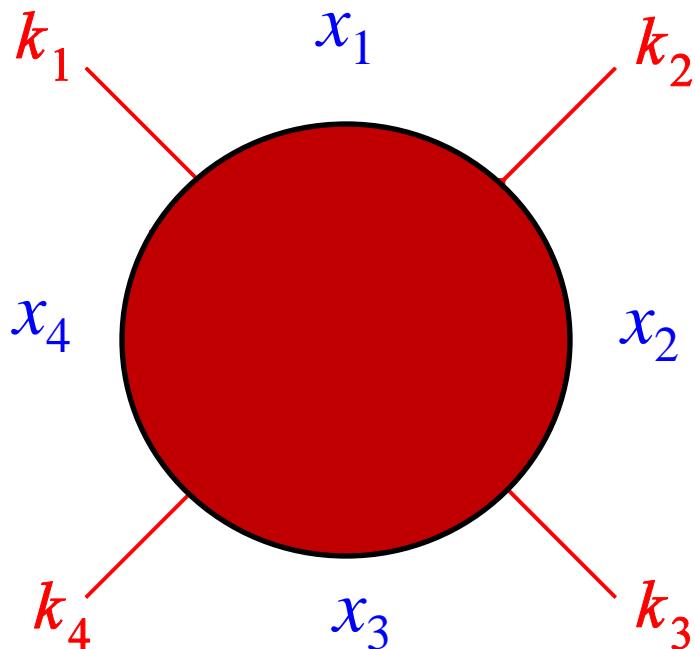
# Do we need integrands?

In many cases, symmetries and other constraints on the multi-loop planar N=4 SYM **amplitude** are so powerful that we don't even need to know the **integrand** at all! ☺

# Dual conformal invariance

Broadhurst (1993); Lipatov (1999); Drummond, Henn, Smirnov, Sokatchev, hep-th/0607160

Conformal symmetry acting in momentum space,  
on dual or sector variables  $x_i$  :  $k_i = x_i - x_{i+1}$



invariance under inversion:

$$x_i^\mu \rightarrow \frac{x_i^\mu}{x_i^2}$$

$$x_{ij}^2 \rightarrow \frac{x_{ij}^2}{x_i^2 x_j^2}$$

# Dual conformal constraints

- Symmetry fixes form of amplitude, up to functions of dual conformally invariant cross ratios:

$$u_{ijkl} \equiv \frac{x_{ij}^2 x_{kl}^2}{x_{ik}^2 x_{jl}^2}$$

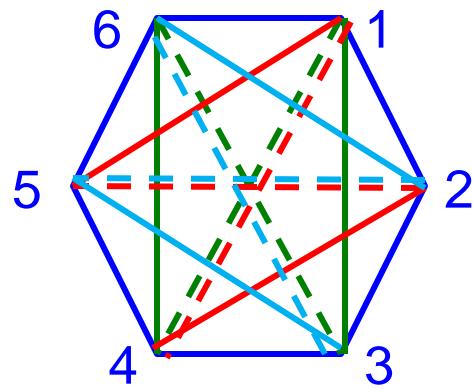
- Because  $x_{i-1,i}^2 = k_i^2 = 0$  there are no such variables for  $n = 4, 5$
- Amplitude fixed to BDS ansatz:

$$\mathcal{A}_{4,5}(\epsilon; s_{ij}) = \mathcal{A}_{4,5}^{\text{BDS}}(\epsilon; s_{ij})$$

For  $n = 6$ , precisely 3 ratios:

$$u_1 = \frac{x_{13}^2 x_{46}^2}{x_{14}^2 x_{36}^2} = \frac{s_{12}s_{45}}{s_{123}s_{345}}$$

+ 2 cyclic perm's



MHV (---+++++)

$$\mathcal{A}_6(\epsilon; s_{ij}) = \mathcal{A}_6^{\text{BDS}}(\epsilon; s_{ij}) \exp[R_6(u_1, u_2, u_3)]$$

# Formula for $R_6^{(2)}(u_1, u_2, u_3)$

- First worked out analytically from Wilson loop integrals

**Del Duca, Duhr, Smirnov, 0911.5332, 1003.1702**

17 pages of Goncharov polylogarithms.

- Simplified to just a few classical polylogarithms using **symbology**

**Goncharov, Spradlin, Vergu, Volovich, 1006.5703**

$$R_6^{(2)}(u_1, u_2, u_3) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \left( L_4(x_i^+, x_i^-) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Li}_4(1 - 1/u_i) \right) \\ - \frac{1}{8} \left( \sum_{i=1}^3 \text{Li}_2(1 - 1/u_i) \right)^2 + \frac{1}{24} J^4 + \frac{\pi^2}{12} J^2 + \frac{\pi^4}{72}$$

$$L_4(x^+, x^-) = \frac{1}{8!!} \log(x^+ x^-)^4$$

$$+ \sum_{m=0}^3 \frac{(-1)^m}{(2m)!!} \log(x^+ x^-)^m (\ell_{4-m}(x^+) + \ell_{4-m}(x^-))$$

$$\ell_n(x) = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Li}_n(x) - (-1)^n \text{Li}_n(1/x))$$

$$J = \sum_{i=1}^3 (\ell_1(x_i^+) - \ell_1(x_i^-))$$

$$x_i^\pm = u_i x^\pm, \quad x^\pm = \frac{u_1 + u_2 + u_3 - 1 \pm \sqrt{\Delta}}{2u_1 u_2 u_3}$$

$$\Delta = (u_1 + u_2 + u_3 - 1)^2 - 4u_1 u_2 u_3$$

# Variables for $R_6^{(L)}(u_1, u_2, u_3)$

- A “pure” transcendental function of **weight  $2L$** :  
Differentiation gives a linear combination of weight  **$2L-1$**  pure functions, divided by rational expressions  $r_i$ .
- Here,

$$r_i \in \{u_1, u_2, u_3, 1 - u_1, 1 - u_2, 1 - u_3, y_1, y_2, y_3\}$$

with

$$y_i \equiv \frac{u_i - z_+}{u_i - z_-}$$

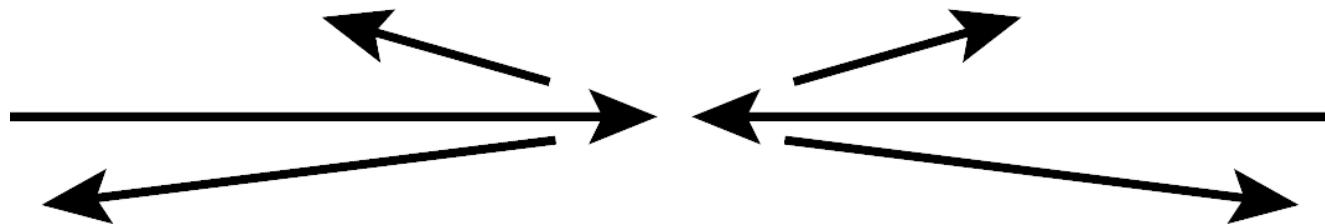
$$z_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2}[-1 + u_1 + u_2 + u_3 \pm \sqrt{\Delta}]$$

$$\Delta = (1 - u_1 - u_2 - u_3)^2 - 4u_1u_2u_3$$

$y_i$  depend on  $u_i$  via square roots

# The multi-Regge limit

- $R_6^{(2)}(u_1, u_2, u_3)$  is pretty simple. But to go to very high loop order, we take the limit of multi-Regge kinematics (MRK): large rapidity separations between the 4 final-state gluons:



- Properties of planar N=4 SYM amplitude in this limit studied extensively already:

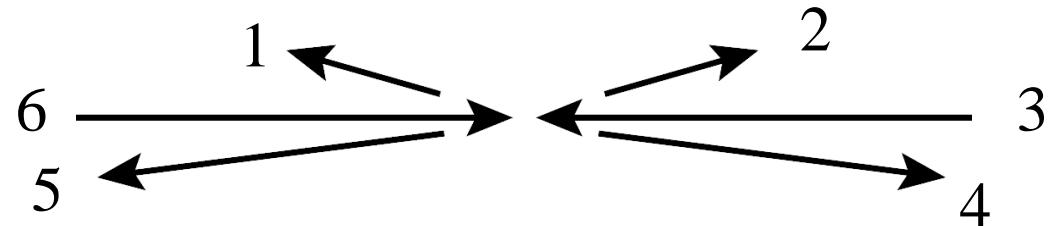
Bartels, Lipatov, Sabio Vera, 0802.2065, 0807.0894; Lipatov, 1008.1015;  
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LD, Drummond, Henn, 1108.4461; Fadin, Lipatov, 1111.0782

# Multi-Regge kinematics

$$u_1 = \frac{s_{12}^2 s_{45}^2}{s_{123}^2 s_{345}^2} \rightarrow 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u_2}{1 - u_1} &\rightarrow x \\ \frac{u_3}{1 - u_1} &\rightarrow y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &\rightarrow 1 \\ y_2 &\rightarrow \frac{1 + w^*}{1 + w} \\ y_3 &\rightarrow \frac{(1 + w)w^*}{w(1 + w^*)} \end{aligned}$$



A very nice change of variables  
[LP, 1011.2673] is to  $(w, w^*)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{1}{(1 + w)(1 + w^*)} \\ y &= \frac{ww^*}{(1 + w)(1 + w^*)} \end{aligned}$$

2 symmetries: conjugation  $w \leftrightarrow w^*$   
and inversion  $w \leftrightarrow 1/w, w^* \leftrightarrow 1/w^*$

# Physical 2→4 multi-Regge limit

- To get a nonzero result, for the physical region, one must first let  $u_1 \rightarrow u_1 e^{-2\pi i}$ , and extract one or two discontinuities → factors of  $-2\pi i$ .
- Then let  $u_1 \rightarrow 1$ . Bartels, Lipatov, Sabio Vera, 0802.2065, ...

$$R_6^{(L)} \rightarrow (2\pi i) \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \ln^n(1 - u_1) [g_n^{(L)}(w, w^*) + 2\pi i h_n^{(L)}(w, w^*)]$$

imaginary part, from  
single discontinuity

real part, from  
double discontinuity

# Simpler pure functions

$$R_6^{(L)} \rightarrow (2\pi i) \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} \ln^n(1 - u_1) [g_n^{(L)}(w, w^*) + 2\pi i h_n^{(L)}(w, w^*)]$$

weight     $2L-n-1$                            $2L-n-2$

$$r_i \in \{w, 1+w, w^*, 1+w^*\}$$

- Single-valued in  $(w, w^*) = (-z, -\bar{z})$  plane

This is precisely the class of functions defined by Brown:  
**F.C.S. Brown, C. R. Acad. Sci. Paris, Ser. I 338 (2004).**

**SVHPLs:**  $\mathcal{L}_{m_1, \dots, m_w}(z, \bar{z}) \sim \sum_{i,j} c_{i,j} H_{\vec{m}_i}(z) H_{\vec{m}_j}(\bar{z})$

$H$  = ordinary harmonic polylogarithms

Remiddi, Vermaseren, hep-ph/9905237

# Harmonic Polylogarithms (HPLs)

Remiddi, Vermaseren, hep-ph/9905237

$w$  = word formed from noncommuting letters  $x_0, x_1$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} H_{x_0 w}(z) = \frac{H_w(z)}{z} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial z} H_{x_1 w}(z) = \frac{H_w(z)}{1-z}$$

$$H_{x_0 w}(z) = \int_0^z dz' \frac{H_w(z')}{z'} \quad H_{x_1 w} = \int_0^z dz' \frac{H_w(z')}{1-z'}$$

**Special cases:**

$$H_e(z) = 1 \quad H_{x_0^n}(z) = \frac{1}{n!} \log^n z$$

**Shuffle identity:**

$$H_{w_1}(z) H_{w_2}(z) = \sum_{w \in w_1 \text{ III } w_2} H_w(z)$$

**Shorthand example:**

$$H_w(z) = H_{x_0 x_0 x_1 x_0 x_1}(z) = H_{0,0,1,0,1}(z) = H_{3,2}(z)$$

# Brown construction of SVHPLs

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathcal{L}_{x_0 w}(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{\mathcal{L}_w(z, \bar{z})}{z} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathcal{L}_{x_1 w}(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{\mathcal{L}_w(z, \bar{z})}{1-z}$$

**Special cases:**  $\mathcal{L}_e = 1$        $\mathcal{L}_{x_0^n} = \frac{1}{n!} \log^n |z|^2$

**Shuffle identity:**  $\mathcal{L}_{w_1} \mathcal{L}_{w_2} = \sum_{w \in w_1 \text{ III } w_2} \mathcal{L}_w$

**Main formula:**

$$\mathcal{L}(z, \bar{z}) = L_X(z) \tilde{L}_Y(\bar{z}) \equiv \sum_{w \in X^*} \mathcal{L}_w(z, \bar{z}) w$$

$$L_X(z) = \sum_{w \in X^*} H_w(z) w \quad \tilde{L}_Y(\bar{z}) = \sum_{w \in Y^*} H_{\phi(w)}(\bar{z}) \tilde{w}$$

word reversal operator “ ~ ”

$\phi$  renames  $y$  to  $x$

# The $y$ alphabet

- Related to the  $x$  alphabet using the Drin'feld associator:

$$Z(x_0, x_1) = \sum_{w \in X^*} \zeta(w) w$$

and definition

$$\tilde{Z}(y_0, y_1) y_1 \tilde{Z}(y_0, y_1)^{-1} = Z(x_0, x_1)^{-1} x_1 Z(x_0, x_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow y_1 &= x_1 + \zeta_3(2x_0x_0x_1x_1 - 4x_0x_1x_0x_1 + 2x_0x_1x_1x_1 \\ &\quad + 4x_1x_0x_1x_0 - 6x_1x_0x_1x_1 - 2x_1x_1x_0x_0 \\ &\quad + 6x_1x_1x_0x_1 - 2x_1x_1x_1x_0) \\ &\quad + \dots \end{aligned}$$

**Example:**  $\mathcal{L}_{0,0,1,1}(z, \bar{z}) = H_{0,0,1,1} + \overline{H}_{1,1,0,0} + H_{0,0,1}\overline{H}_1$   
 $\quad\quad\quad + H_0\overline{H}_{1,1,0} + H_{0,0}\overline{H}_{1,1} - 2\zeta_3 \overline{H}_1$

# $y$ alphabet and $\bar{z}$ derivatives

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathcal{L}_{x_0 w}(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{\mathcal{L}_w(z, \bar{z})}{z} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathcal{L}_{x_1 w}(z, \bar{z}) = \frac{\mathcal{L}_w(z, \bar{z})}{1-z}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \mathcal{L}(z, \bar{z}) = \left( \frac{x_0}{z} + \frac{x_1}{1-z} \right) \mathcal{L}(z)$$

but

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \mathcal{L}(z, \bar{z}) = \mathcal{L}(z) \left( \frac{y_0}{\bar{z}} + \frac{y_1}{1-\bar{z}} \right)$$

# $Z_2 \times Z_2$ symmetry

- $z \longleftrightarrow \bar{z}$

$$L_w(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \mathcal{L}_w(z) - (-1)^{|w|} \mathcal{L}_w(\bar{z}) \right)$$

~~$$\overline{L}_w(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \mathcal{L}_w(z) + (-1)^{|w|} \mathcal{L}_w(\bar{z}) \right)$$~~

reducible to products  
of lower weight

- $z \longleftrightarrow 1/z$

~~$$L_w(z) - (-1)^{|w|+d_w} L_w\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$$~~

reducible to products  
of lower weight

$$L_w^\pm(z) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left[ L_w(z) \pm L_w\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) \right]$$

Keep the irreducible one

# MRK Master Formula

Fadin, Lipatov, 1111.0782

$$e^{R+i\pi\delta}|_{\text{MRK}} = \cos \pi \omega_{ab} + i \frac{a}{2} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left( \frac{w}{w^*} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d\nu}{\nu^2 + \frac{n^2}{4}} |w|^{2i\nu} \Phi_{\text{Reg}}(\nu, n) \\ \times \exp \left[ -\omega(\nu, n) \left( \log(1 - u_1) + i\pi + \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|w|^2}{|1 + w|^4} \right) \right]$$

BFKL eigenvalue

MHV impact factor

$$\omega(\nu, n) = -a(E_{\nu,n} + a E_{\nu,n}^{(1)} + a^2 E_{\nu,n}^{(2)} + \dots)$$

$$\Phi_{\text{Reg}}(\nu, n) = 1 + a \Phi_{\nu,n}^{(1)} + a^2 \Phi_{\nu,n}^{(2)} + a^3 \Phi_{\nu,n}^{(3)} + \dots$$

LL            NLL            NNLL            NNNLL

Formula may get corrections beyond NLL

# Evaluating the master formula

- Every  $g_n^{(L)}(w, w^*)$  and  $h_n^{(L)}(w, w^*)$  is a linear combination of a finite basis of SVHPLs.
- Evaluate  $\nu$  integral by residues  
→ master formula leads to double sum.
- Truncating double sum  $\leftrightarrow$  truncating power series in  $(w, w^*) = (-z, -\bar{z})$  around origin.
- Match the two series to determine the coefficients in the linear combination.
- LL and NLL  $\omega$  and  $\Phi$  known Fadin, Lipatov 1111.0782

# MHV LLA $g_{L-1}^{(L)}$ through 5 loops

$$g_1^{(2)}(w, w^*) = \frac{1}{4}[L_1^+]^2 - \frac{1}{16}[L_0^-]^2 = \frac{1}{4} \ln |1+w|^2 \ln \frac{|1+w|^2}{|w|^2}$$

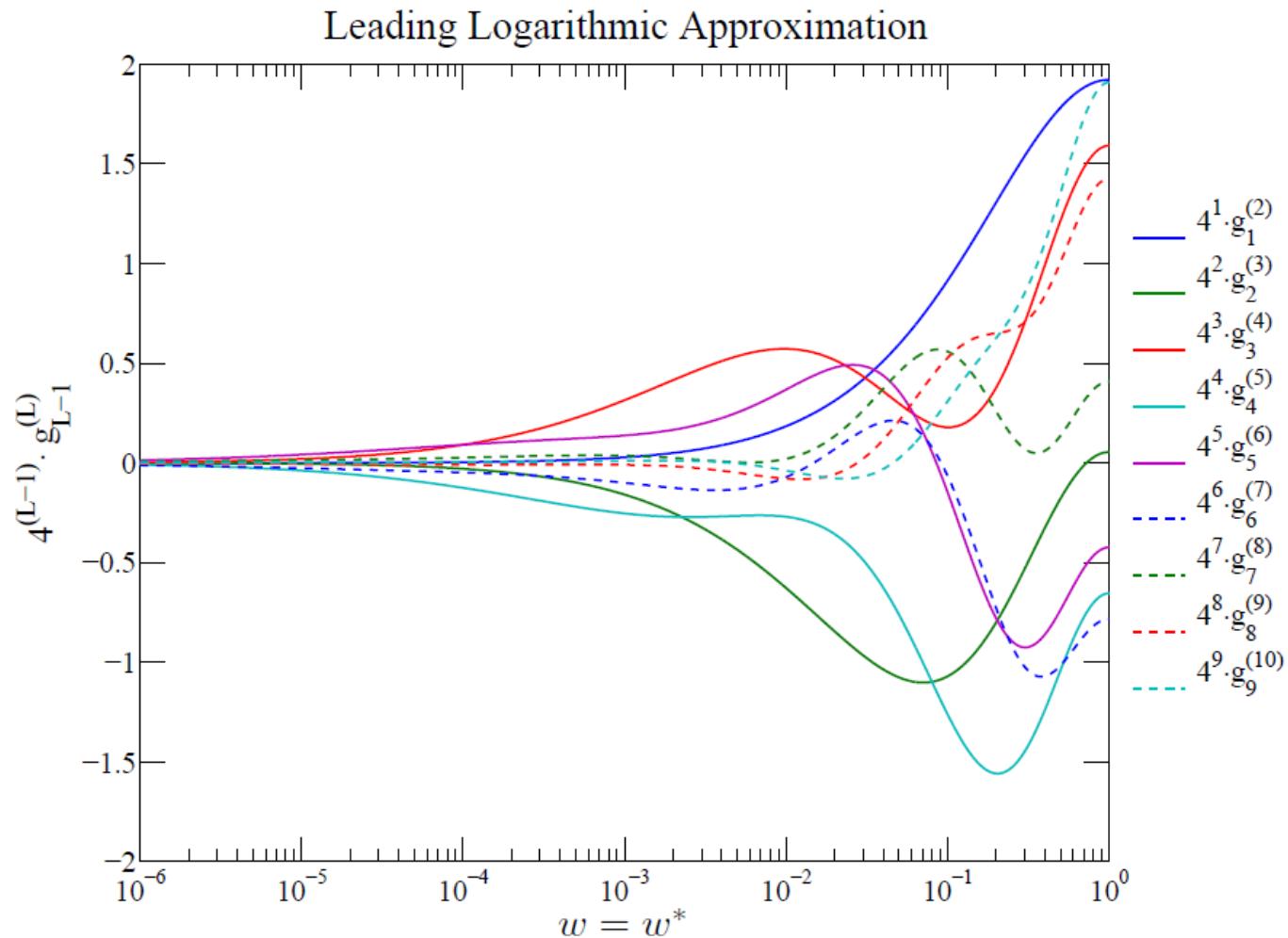
$$g_2^{(3)}(w, w^*) = -\frac{1}{8}L_3^+ + \frac{1}{12}[L_1^+]^3 = -\frac{1}{8}[\text{Li}_3(-w) + \text{Li}_3(-w^*) - \frac{1}{2} \ln |w|^2 (\text{Li}_2(-w) + \text{Li}_2(-w^*)) \\ + \ln |1+w|^2 (\frac{2}{3} \ln^2 |1+w|^2 - \ln |w|^2 \ln |1+w|^2 + \frac{1}{4} \ln^2 |w|^2)]$$

$$g_3^{(4)}(w, w^*) = \frac{1}{48}[L_2^-]^2 + \frac{1}{48}[L_0^-]^2 [L_1^+]^2 + \frac{7}{2304}[L_0^-]^4 + \frac{1}{48}[L_1^+]^4 - \frac{1}{16}L_0^- L_{2,1}^- \\ - \frac{5}{48}L_1^+ L_3^+ - \frac{1}{8}L_1^+ \zeta_3,$$

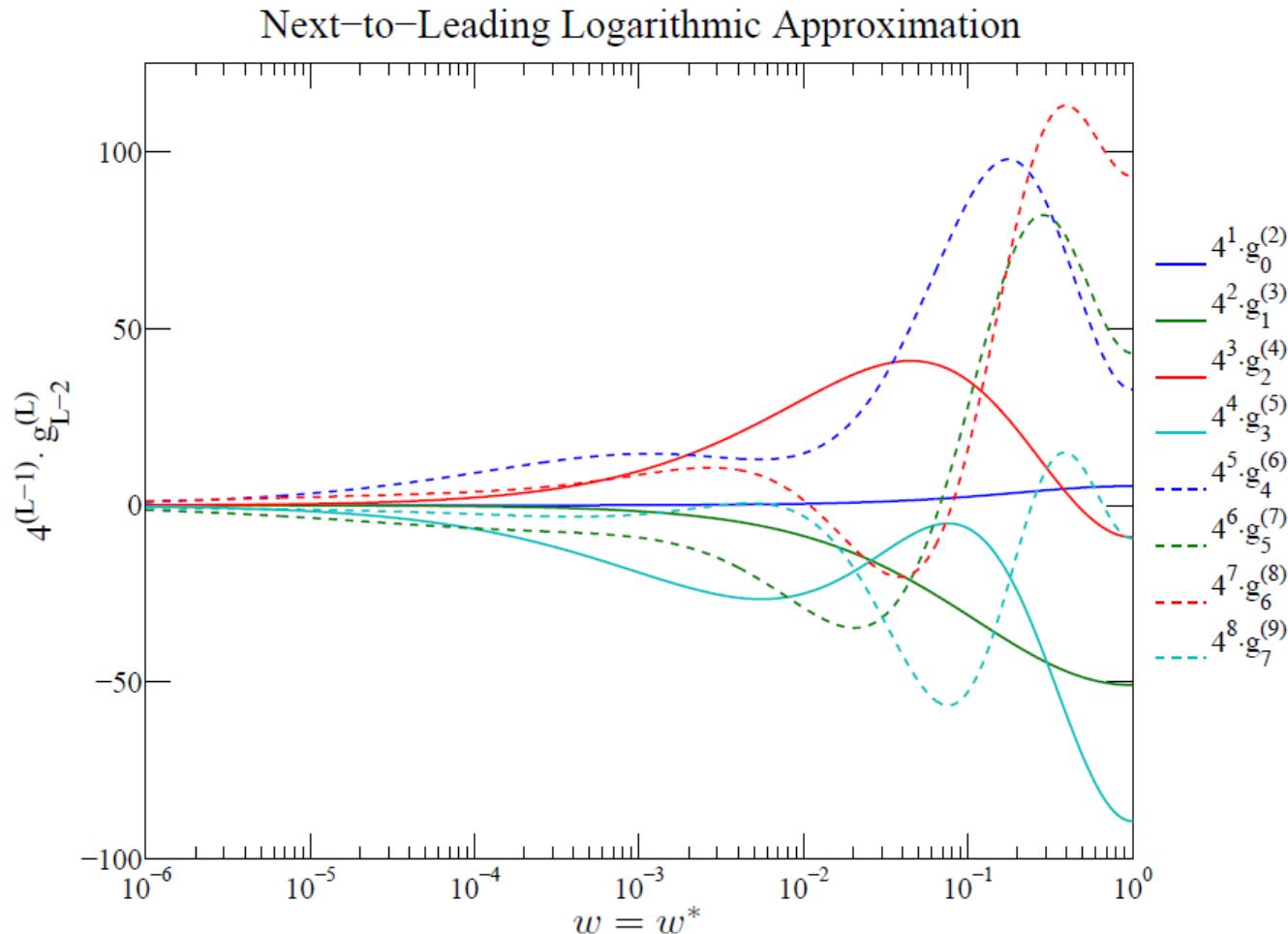
$$g_4^{(5)}(w, w^*) = \frac{1}{96}[L_0^-]^2 [L_1^+]^3 + \frac{17}{9216}L_1^+ [L_0^-]^4 - \frac{5}{384}L_3^+ [L_0^-]^2 + \frac{1}{24}[L_0^-]^2 \zeta_3 \\ - \frac{1}{12}[L_1^+]^2 \zeta_3 + \frac{1}{240}[L_1^+]^5 - \frac{1}{24}L_0^- L_{2,1}^- L_1^+ + \frac{43}{384}L_5^+ + \frac{1}{8}L_{3,1,1}^+ + \frac{1}{12}L_{2,2,1}^+$$

$$- \frac{1}{24}L_3^+ [L_1^+]^2,$$

# MHV LLA $g_{L-1}^{(L)}$ through 10 loops



# MHV NLLA $g_{L-2}^{(L)}$ through 9 loops



# LLA to all orders

$$\eta = a \log(1 - u_1)$$

$$\rho(w) \equiv \mathcal{L}_w$$

Pennington, 1209.5357

$$R_6^{\text{MHV}}|_{\text{LLA}} = \frac{2\pi i}{\log(1 - u_1)} \rho \left( \mathcal{X} \mathcal{Z}^{\text{MHV}} - \frac{1}{2} x_1 \eta \right)$$

$$\mathcal{X} = e^{\frac{1}{2}x_0\eta} \left[ 1 - x_1 \left( \frac{e^{x_0\eta} - 1}{x_0} \right) \right]^{-1},$$

$$\mathcal{Z}^{\text{MHV}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( x_1 \sum_{n=0}^{k-1} (-1)^n x_0^{k-n-1} \sum_{m=0}^n \frac{2^{2m-k+1}}{(k-m-1)!} \mathfrak{Z}(n, m) \right) \eta^k$$

$$\exp \left[ y \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \zeta_{2k+1} x^{2k+1} \right] \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \mathfrak{Z}(n, m) x^n y^m$$

Matches series  
expansion through  
 $L = 14$ . All orders proof?

# $N^k$ DLLA limit to all orders

Collinear-Regge limit as  $|w| \rightarrow 0$

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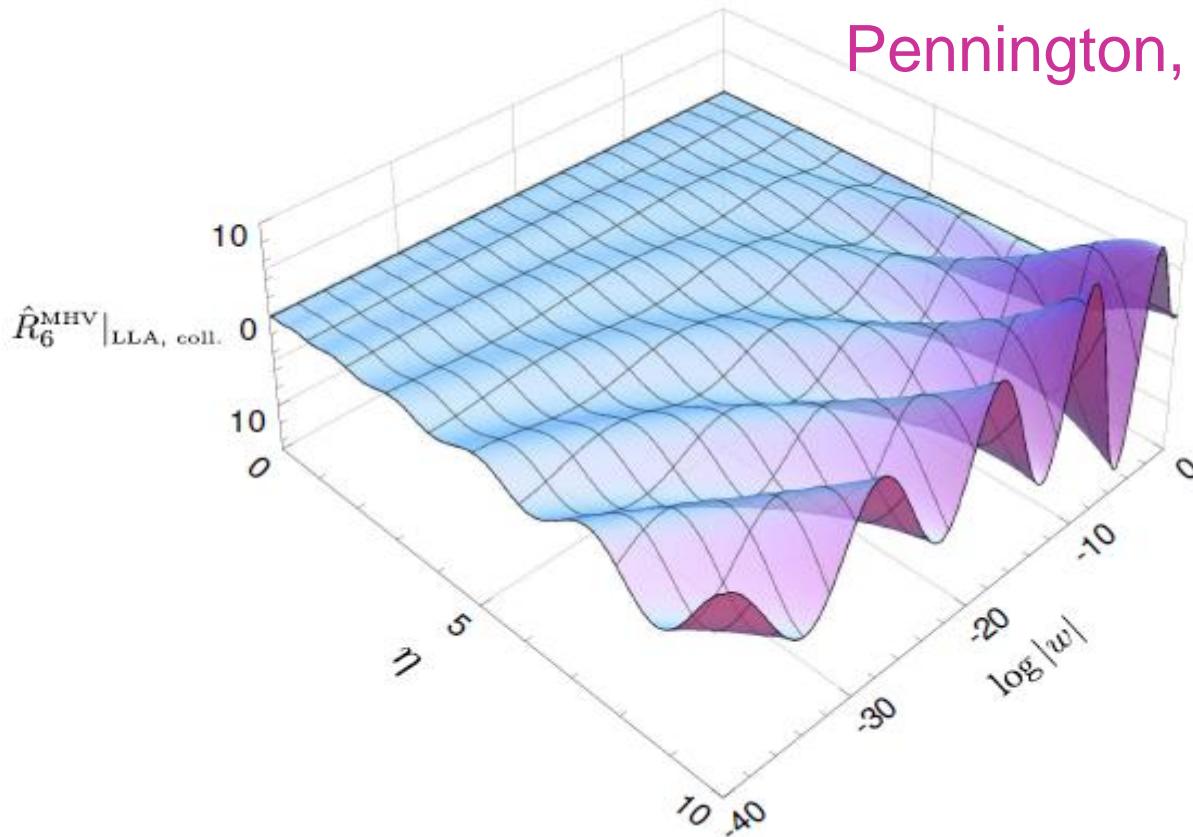
$$R_6^{\text{MHV}}|_{\text{LLA, coll.}} = \frac{2\pi i}{\log(1 - u_1)} (w + w^*) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \eta^{k+1} r_k^{\text{MHV}}(\eta \log |w|)$$

$$r_k^{\text{MHV}}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \delta_{0,k} + \sum_{n=0}^k \sum_{m=0}^n \sum_{j=k-m}^{2k-n-m} \frac{(-2)^{2m+j-k-1}}{(m+j-k)!} \mathfrak{Z}(n, m) x^{m-k+j/2} P_j^{(k-j-n, k-j-m)}(0) I_j(2\sqrt{x})$$

$r_0(x)$  matches known DLLA result Bartels, Lipatov, Prygarin, 1104.4709

# $N^k$ DLLA limit to all orders

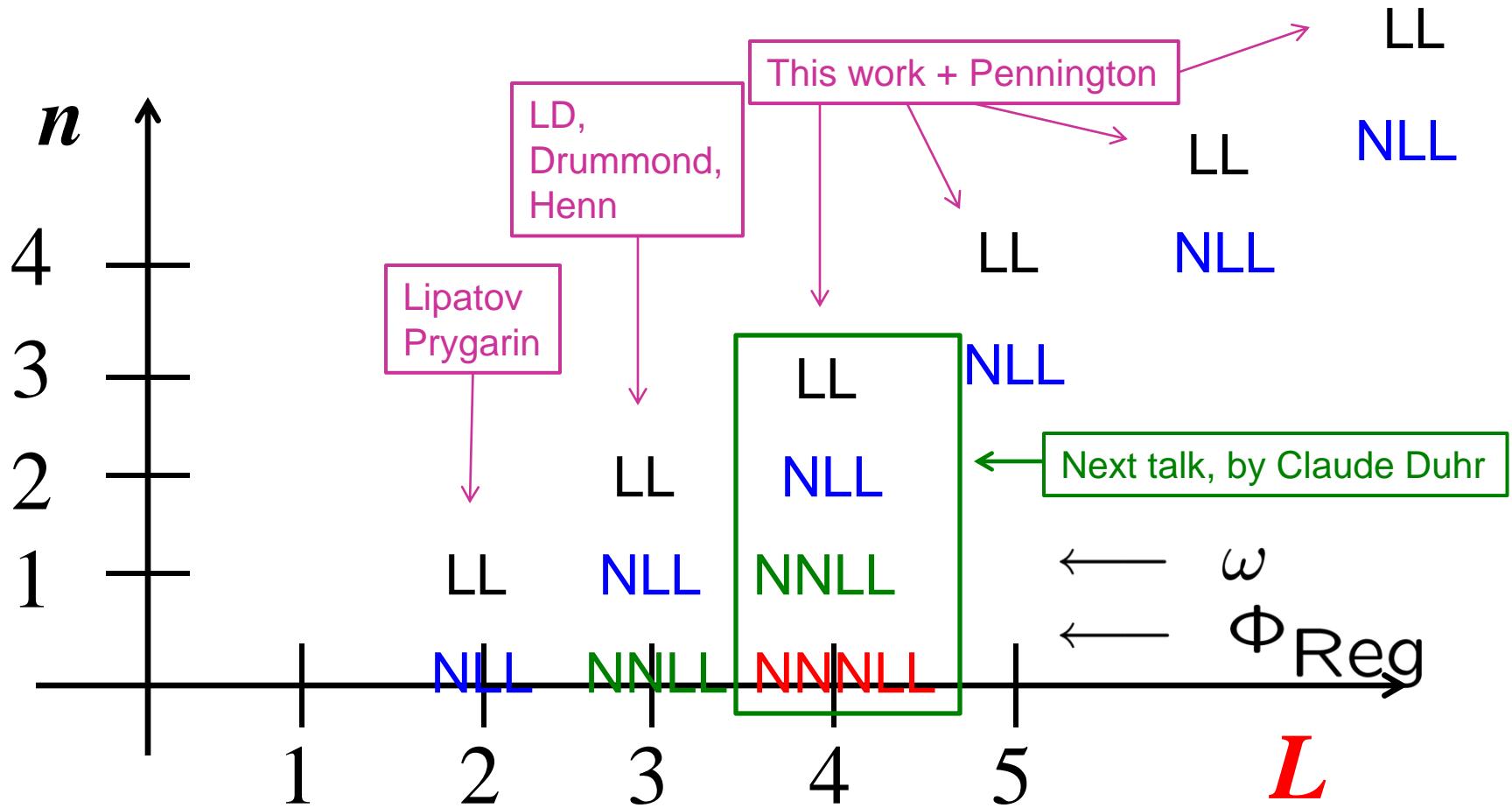
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Should try to match to strong coupling results

Bartels, Kotanski, Schomerus, 1009.3938

# Beyond NLL



(modulo some “beyond-the-symbol” constants starting at NNLL)

# Same functions enter NMHV

Lipatov, Prygarin, Schnitzer, 1205.0186

Ratio of nonvanishing NMHV to MHV amplitudes in MRK is given by:

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{NMHV}}^{\text{LLA}} = \frac{A_{\text{NMHV}}^{\text{LLA}}}{A_{\text{MHV}}^{\text{LLA}}} = \exp(R_{\text{NMHV}}^{\text{LLA}} - R_{\text{MHV}}^{\text{LLA}})$$

$$R_{\text{NMHV}}^{\text{LLA}} = 2\pi i \sum_{l=2}^{\infty} a^l \log^{l-1}(1-u_1) \left[ \frac{1}{1+w^*} f^{(l)}(w, w^*) + \frac{w^*}{1+w^*} f^{(l)}\left(\frac{1}{w}, \frac{1}{w^*}\right) \right]$$

$f^{(l)}(w, w^*)$  a pure function

$$\int dw \frac{w^*}{w} \frac{\partial}{\partial w^*} g_{l-1}^{(l)}(w, w^*) = \frac{1}{1+w^*} f^{(l)}(w, w^*) + \frac{w^*}{1+w^*} f^{(l)}\left(\frac{1}{w}, \frac{1}{w^*}\right)$$

Very simple action in Brown SVHPL basis

# NMHV example

$$g_1^{(2)}(w, w^*) = \frac{1}{4} [L_1^+]^2 - \frac{1}{16} [L_0^-]^2 = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_{1,1} + \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{L}_{0,1} + \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{L}_{1,0}$$

First clip last index, with factor depending on whether it was ‘0’ or ‘1’ (up to  $\zeta$  corrections):

$$\begin{aligned} w^* \frac{\partial}{\partial w^*} g_1^{(2)}(w, w^*) &= -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{w^*}{1+w^*} \right) \mathcal{L}_1 - \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{w^*}{1+w^*} \right) \mathcal{L}_0 + \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{L}_1 \\ &= \frac{w^*}{1+w^*} \left[ -\frac{1}{4} \mathcal{L}_1 - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{L}_0 \right] + \frac{1}{1+w^*} \left[ \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{L}_1 \right] \end{aligned}$$

Then prepend a ‘0’:

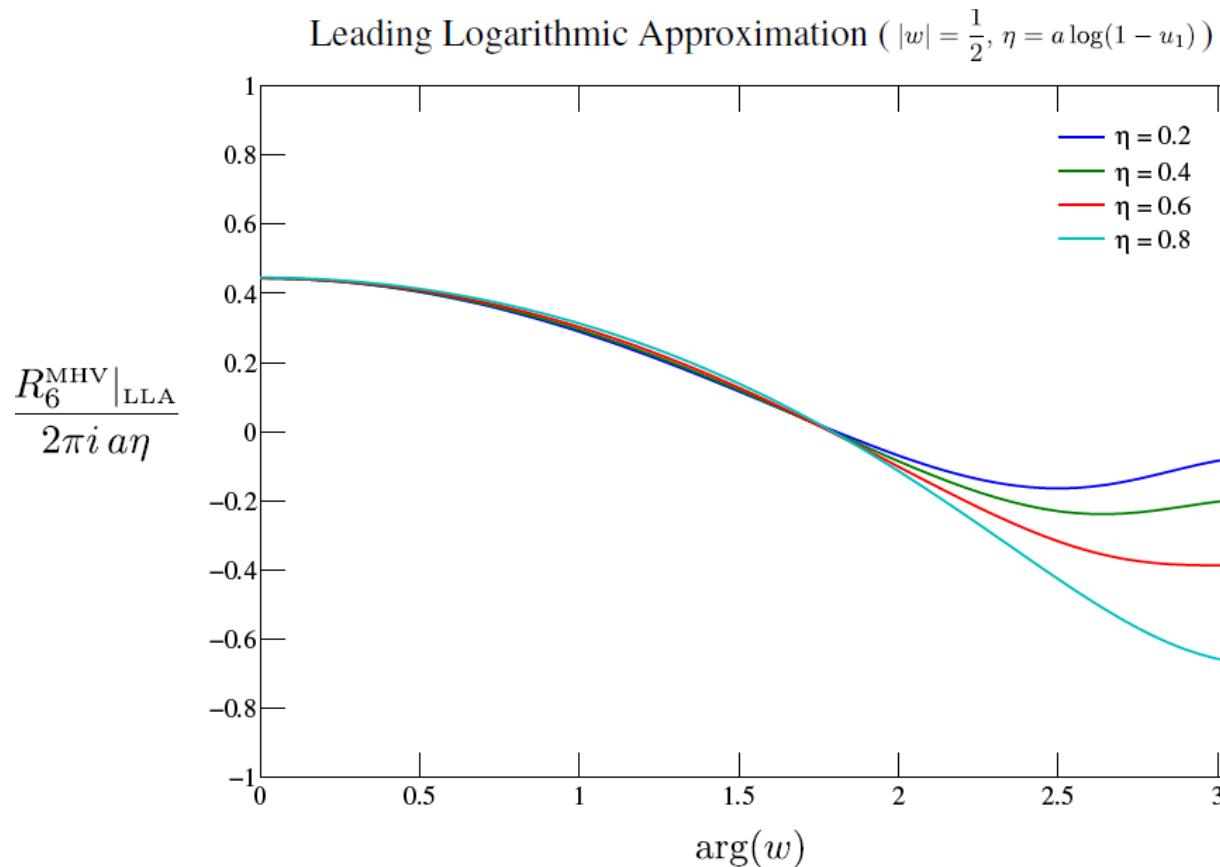
$$\begin{aligned} \int dw \frac{w^*}{w} \frac{\partial}{\partial w^*} g_1^{(2)} &= \frac{w^*}{1+w^*} \left[ -\frac{1}{4} \mathcal{L}_{0,1} - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{L}_{0,0} \right] + \frac{1}{1+w^*} \left[ \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{L}_{0,1} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{1+w^*} f^{(2)}(w, w^*) + \frac{w^*}{1+w^*} f^{(2)}\left(\frac{1}{w}, \frac{1}{w^*}\right) \end{aligned}$$

# Conclusions

- Planar N=4 SYM is a powerful laboratory for studying 4-d scattering amplitudes, thanks to dual (super)conformal invariance
- 6-gluon amplitude is first nontrivial case
- Multi-Regge limit offers a simpler setup to solve first, greatly facilitated by [Brown's SVHPLs](#)
- NMHV amplitudes in this limit also naturally described by same functions
- Multi-Regge limit of 6-gluon amplitude can be solved to all orders in LLA, especially in collinear corner ( $|w| \rightarrow 0$ ).
- Bessel functions suggest integrability, localization.
- May be that full multi-Regge limit (i.e.  $N^k$ LLA terms) is next to be solved to all orders in the coupling?

# Extra Slides

# LLA Numerics for fixed $|w|$



Would be interesting to compare with numerical approach of  
Chachamis, Sabio Vera, 1112.4162, 1206.3140