

# Double copy in $\text{AdS}_3$ from Minitwistor Space

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- The Double Copy is a simple consequence of that homogeneity:

$$f_{s=2} = \frac{f_{s=1} f_{s=1}}{f_{s=0}}$$

# Relation between the Double Copies

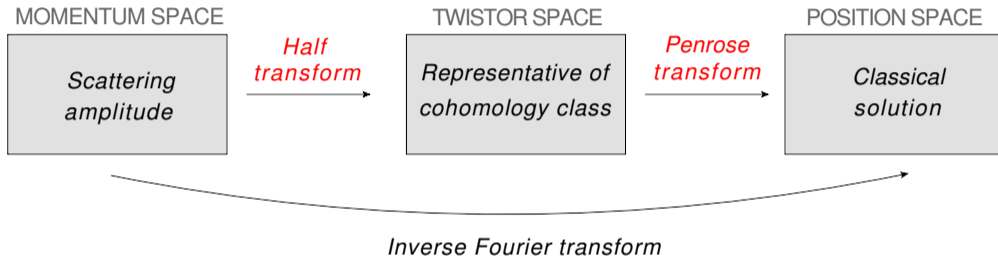


Figure: Figure taken from Luna, Moynihan, White summarising the scheme for obtaining position-space classical solutions from momentum-space scattering amplitudes.

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- No local dof in 3d Einstein  $\rightarrow$  too trivial for a local double copy
- Adding (topological) Chern-Simons term surprisingly adds local dofs to the theory
- Parity-violating and massive
- Teach lessons about the double copy with mass?

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- Spinors:

$$T^{\alpha\dot{\alpha}\dots}_{\beta\dot{\beta}\dots} = \sigma_A^{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \dots \sigma_{\beta\dot{\beta}}^B T^{A\dots}_{B\dots}$$

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- Vacuum EOM + Bianchi  $\nabla_\alpha{}^\gamma f_{\beta\gamma} = -m_V f_{\alpha\beta}$

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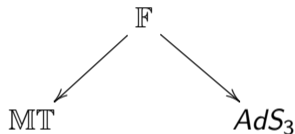
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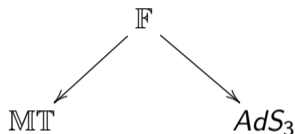
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Point  $\leftrightarrow$  Null geodesic  
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- Try  $\tilde{m}_G = \tilde{m}_V = \tilde{m}_{\phi}$ ? After all, the propagator (and therefore the mass) is left untouched in the usual double copy

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- Why? Read our paper!

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 f_{s=2, \tilde{m}_\phi+2} &= \frac{\langle \lambda B \rangle^{\tilde{m}_\phi}}{\langle \lambda A \rangle [\mu C]^{\tilde{m}_\phi+5}} & C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} &\sim A_\alpha A_\beta A_\gamma A_\delta \frac{\langle AB \rangle^{\tilde{m}_\phi}}{(v \cdot x)^{\tilde{m}_\phi+5}}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Petrov type conserved (as it should): waves double copy to waves



# Black Holes Double Copy

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- Type D  $\implies$  2 triple poles  $\implies \tilde{m} = \pm 3$
- Like BTZ Black Holes, have identification of points  
In TMG, BH are squashed AdS spacetimes in either timelike or spacelike direction with AdS<sub>2</sub> base

- Locally  $ds^2 = \frac{9}{m_G^2 - 27\Lambda} \left[ \frac{dt^2 - dx^2}{x^2} - \frac{4m_G^2}{m_G^2 - 27\Lambda} \left( dz + \frac{dt}{x} \right)^2 \right]$

- Obtain all masses by varying the length of the AdS background

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- Applying mass prescription we get

$$f_{s=0, \tilde{m}_\phi=1} = \frac{1}{[\mu A][\mu B]}$$

$$f_{s=1, \tilde{m}_V=2} = \frac{1}{[\mu A]^2[\mu B]^2}$$

$$f_{s=2, \tilde{m}_G=3} = \frac{1}{[\mu A]^3[\mu B]^3}$$

$$\phi = \frac{1}{[BA]}$$

$$f_{\alpha\delta} = 2 \frac{A(x)_{(\alpha} B(x)_{\delta)}}{[AB]^3}$$

$$C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = 6 \frac{A(x)_{(\alpha} A(x)_{\beta} B(x)_{\gamma} B(x)_{\delta)}}{[BA]^5}$$

- In position space, we get  $C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{f_{(\alpha\beta} f_{\gamma\delta)}}{\phi}$
- Again Petrov type naturally preserved

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- Generalised fluctuations and background
- Curvature splits the masses
- Double Copy of Black Holes in TMG can finally be done
- Interesting features I skipped:
  - Double Copy of CFT currents on the boundary
  - Type III works better than expected
  - The Double Copy is topological in the massless limit
- Does a corresponding correlators Double Copy exist?

# Thanks for listening!

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