

Quantum chromodynamics in the non-perturb.  
regime: implications of unitarity,  
dispersion relations

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \bar{q} (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) q - g \bar{q} \gamma^\mu \frac{\lambda_a}{2} q A_\mu^a - \frac{1}{4} F^{a,\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^a$$

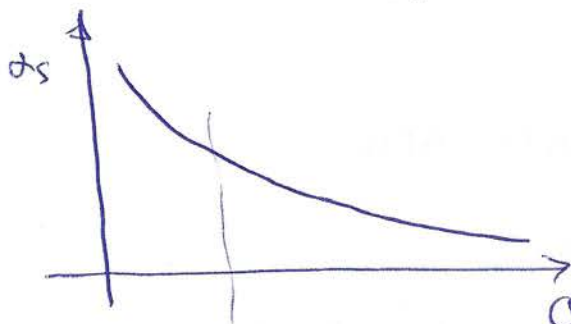
$$+ \mathcal{L}_{GHOST} + \mathcal{L}_{GAUGE \text{ FIXING}}$$

↓ RENORMALIZATION

$$\mathcal{L}_{BARE} = \underbrace{\mathcal{L}_{RENORM}}_{\text{physical}} + \mathcal{L}_{COUNTER \text{ TERMS}}$$

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{g^2(Q^2)}{4\pi} = \frac{4\pi}{\beta_0 \ln(Q^2/\Lambda_{QCD}^2)}, \quad \beta_0 = 11 - \frac{2}{3} N_f > 0$$

$\Lambda_{QCD} \approx 0.2 \text{ GeV}$   
 FUNDAM. PAR. OF QCD  
 (MASS SCALE)



$Q$  (CHAR. MOMENTUM, ENERGY SCALE)

- 1) AT LARGE SCALES ( $\alpha_s$  IS SMALL)  $\Rightarrow$  PERT. THEORY.
- 2) AT SMALL SCALES ( $\alpha_s$  IS LARGE)  $\Rightarrow$  NON PERT. REGION

QUARKS AND GLUONS ARRANGE THEMSELVES  
 INTO COLOURLESS HADRONS: MESONS,  
 BARYONS, ...

NEW D.O.F.

POSSIBLE WAY OUT:

- 1) EFFECTIVE FIELD THEORIES  
 (BASED ON SYMMETRIES OF QCD)
- 2) LATTICE QCD
- 3) S-MATRIX CONSTRAINTS (sometimes called  
 "DISPERSION THEORY")

## S-matrix CONSTRAINTS

- 1) CROSSING SYMMETRY (antiparticle is not a different particle)
- 2) UNITARITY (sum of probabilities of all possible outcomes equal to one)
- 3) CAUSALITY (future cannot change the past)

THESE CONSTRAINTS + EXP. DATA  $\Rightarrow$  ONE CAN MAKE A PREDICTION.

## CROSSING SYMMETRY

$$S = 1 + iT \quad \triangle \text{ NOTE CONVENTION}$$

initial state  $t = -\infty$   $|i\rangle$   
final state  $t = +\infty$   $|f\rangle$

$$S_{fi} = \delta_{fi} + (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_f - p_i) \underbrace{iM_{fi}}_{\text{SCATT. AMPL.}}$$

EXP. OBSERVABLE: CROSS SECTION

$$dG_{2 \rightarrow 2} = \frac{1}{2E_1 2E_2 |v_1 - v_2|} \underbrace{\left( \prod_{f=1}^2 \frac{d^3 p_f}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_f} \right)}_{\text{2 body phase space}} (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - p_i) \times |M_{fi}|^2$$

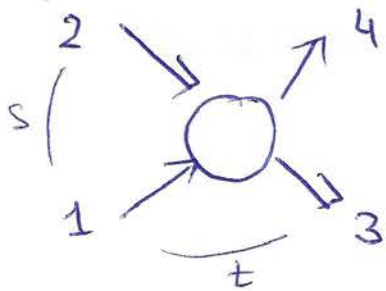
## PARTICLES WITH SPIN

$$|M_{fi}|^2 \rightarrow \overline{|M_{fi}|^2} = \frac{1}{(2s_1+1)(2s_2+1)} \sum_{\substack{s_1, s_2 \\ s_1', s_2'}} |M_{s_1, s_2, \dots}|^2$$

AVERAGE OVER INITIAL POLARIZ.,  
SUM OVER FINAL POLARIZ.



SPINLESS PARTICLES  
(FOR SIMPLICITY)



$$M(s, t, u)$$

SCATT. AMPL IS A  
FUNC. OF INVARIANTS  
(DUE TO LORENZ  
INVARIANCE)

DEFINE:

$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = (p_3 + p_4)^2$$

$$t = (p_1 - p_3)^2 = (p_2 - p_4)^2$$

$$u = (p_1 - p_4)^2 = (p_2 - p_3)^2$$

$$p_1 + p_2 = p_3 + p_4, \quad p_i^2 = m_i^2$$

$$\Rightarrow s + t + u = m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2p_1 p_2 + p_1^2 + m_3^2 - 2p_1 p_3 + p_1^2 + m_4^2 - 2p_1 p_4 = \sum_{i=1}^4 m_i^2 + 2p_1 (p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4) = \sum_{i=1}^4 m_i^2$$

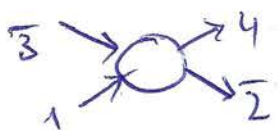
$$\boxed{s + t + u = \sum_{i=1}^4 m_i^2}$$

GENERAL CASE:  $(3n - 10)$  INDEPENDENT VARIABLES  
FOR  $n$ -POINT FUNCTION

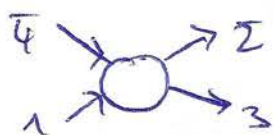
$M(s, t)$  describes:



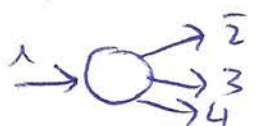
$1+2 \rightarrow 3+4$ , s-channel



$1+\bar{3} \rightarrow \bar{2}+4$ , t-channel



$1+\bar{4} \rightarrow \bar{2}+3$ , u-channel



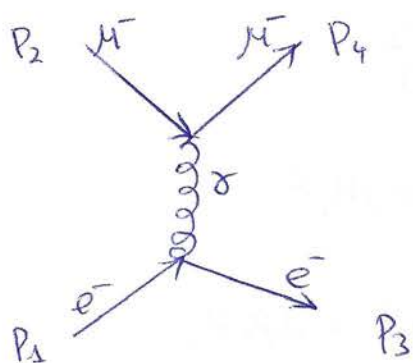
$1 \rightarrow \bar{2}+3+4$ , DECAY (IF  $m_1 > m_2 + m_3 + m_4$ )

# IN REL. QUANTUM FIELD THEORY:

AN INCOMING PARTICLE WITH MOM +P,  
CORRESPOND TO OUTGOING ANTI PARTICLE  
WITH MOM -P.

## EXAMPLE (from QED)

$$e^- \mu^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^-$$

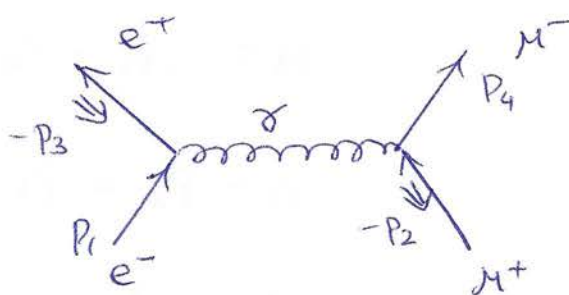


$$s = (P_1 + P_2)^2 = (P_3 + P_4)^2$$

$$t = (P_4 - P_2)^2 = (P_3 - P_1)^2$$

$$u = (P_4 - P_1)^2 = (P_3 - P_2)^2$$

$$e^- e^+ \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+$$



$$\tilde{s} = (P_1 + (-P_3))^2 = (P_4 + (-P_2))^2$$

$$\tilde{t} = (P_4 - (-P_3))^2$$

$$\tilde{u} = (P_4 - P_1)^2$$

$$s \rightarrow \tilde{t}$$

$$t \rightarrow \tilde{s}$$

$$u \rightarrow \tilde{u}$$

$$\overline{|M|}^2_{e\mu \rightarrow e\mu} = 2e^4 \left( \frac{s^2 + u^2}{t^2} \right) \quad s\text{-channel}$$

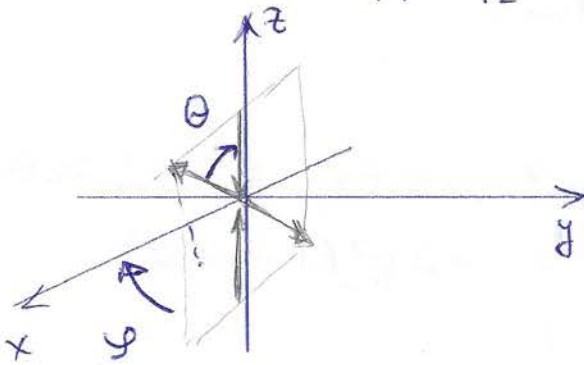
$$\overline{|M|}^2_{ee \rightarrow \mu\mu} = 2e^4 \left( \frac{\tilde{t}^2 + \tilde{u}^2}{\tilde{s}^2} \right) \quad t\text{-channel}$$

ONE CAN GET THE FORMULA FOR t- AND u-CHANNELS  
FROM THE s-CHANNEL BY APPLYING APPROPRIATE  
VARIABLE EXCHANGE

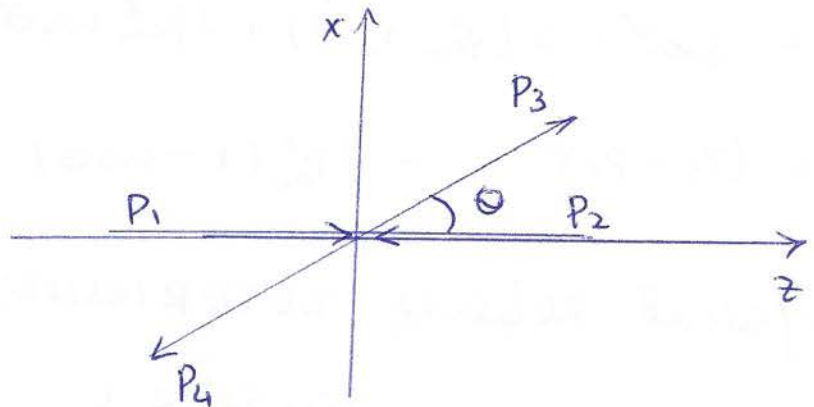
PHYSICAL REGIONS FOR  $s, t$  AND  $u$ -channels  
ARE DIFFERENT!  $\nabla$

LET'S CONSIDER CENTER OF MASS FRAME (C.M).

$$\vec{P}_1 + \vec{P}_2 = \vec{P}_3 + \vec{P}_4$$



$y=0$ : ONE CAN CHOOSE  
XZ PLANE



$$|\vec{P}_1| = |\vec{P}_2| = p_{cm}$$

$$|\vec{P}_3| = |\vec{P}_4| = p_{cm}'$$

$$P_1 = \{E_1, 0, 0, p_{cm}\}$$

$$P_2 = \{E_2, 0, 0, -p_{cm}\}$$

$$P_3 = \{E_3, p_{cm}' \sin \theta, 0, p_{cm}' \cos \theta\}$$

$$P_4 = \{E_4, -p_{cm}' \sin \theta, 0, -p_{cm}' \cos \theta\}$$

$$\begin{cases} E_1^2 = p_{cm}^2 + m_1^2 \\ E_2^2 = p_{cm}^2 + m_2^2 \end{cases}$$

$$s = (P_1 + P_2)^2 = (E_1 + E_2)^2$$

$$\sqrt{s} = E_1 + E_2$$



$$\begin{cases} p_{cm} = \frac{\lambda^{1/2}(s, m_1^2, m_2^2)}{2\sqrt{s}} \\ p_{cm}' = \frac{\lambda^{1/2}(s, m_3^2, m_4^2)}{2\sqrt{s}} \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda \equiv \frac{(s - (m_1 - m_2)^2)(s - (m_1 + m_2)^2)}{s}$$

Källén function



PHYSICAL REGIONS FOR  $m_1 = m_2 = m_3 = m_4 = m$

$$p_{cm}^1 = p_{cm}$$

$$E_1 = E_2 = E_3 = E_4 = \sqrt{p_{cm}^2 + m^2}$$

$$s = (E_1 + E_2)^2 = 4(p_{cm}^2 + m^2) \geq 4m^2$$

$$t = (p_3 - p_1)^2 = p_3^2 + p_1^2 - 2p_1 p_3 = 2m^2 - 2E_1 E_3 + 2p_{cm} p_{cm}^1 \cos \theta$$

$$= 2m^2 - 2(p_{cm}^2 + m^2) + 2p_{cm}^2 \cos \theta = -2p_{cm}^2(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$u = (p_3 - p_2)^2 = -2p_{cm}^2(1 - \cos \theta)$$

Physical REGION DETERMINED AS

$$|\cos \theta| \leq 1$$

⇒

CROSSING ↓	$s \geq 4m^2, \quad t, u \leq 0$	s-channel
	$t \geq 4m^2, \quad s, u \leq 0$	t-channel
	$u \geq 4m^2, \quad s, t \leq 0$	u-channel

$m_1 = m_2 = m_3 = m_4 = m$

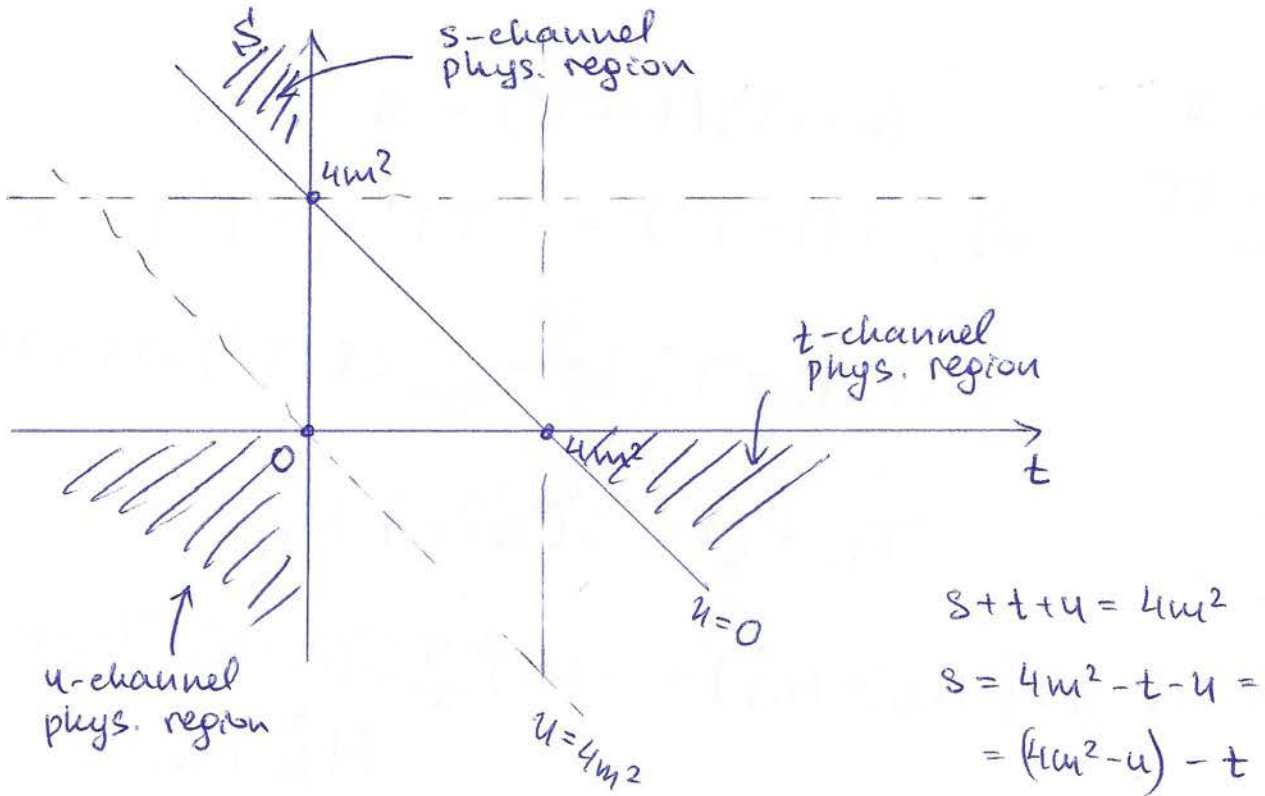
FOR ARBITRARY MASSES, THE BORDER OF PHYS. REGION IS MORE COMPLICATED

$$t(s), \quad s \geq 4m^2$$

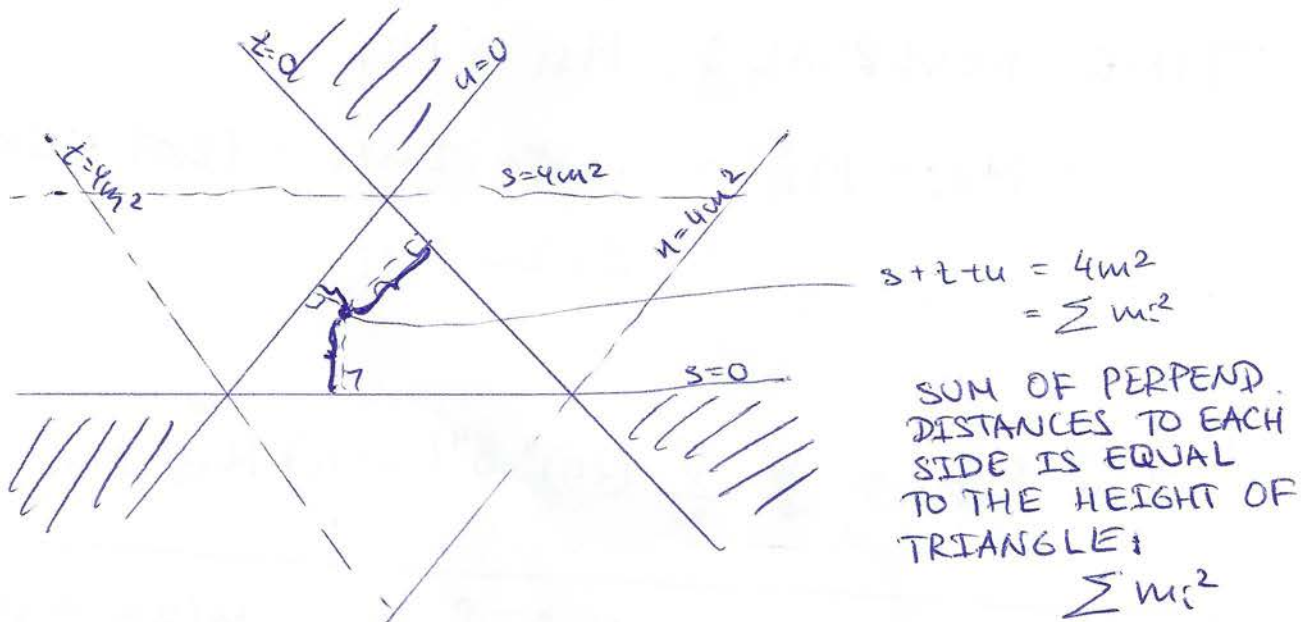
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curve from

$|\cos \theta| \leq 1$   
condition.

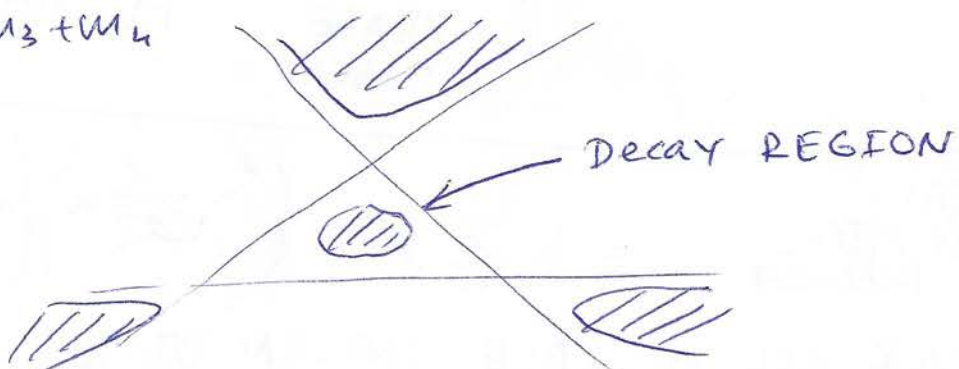
# GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION



# ANOTHER REPRESENTATION (MORE COMMON)



$$\begin{cases}
 m_1 \neq m_2 \neq m_3 \neq m_4 \\
 \& m_1 > m_2 + m_3 + m_4
 \end{cases}$$



# Unitarity

$$SS^\dagger = S^\dagger S = 1$$

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$$(1 + iT)(1 - iT^\dagger) = 1$$

$$S = 1 + iT$$

$$\langle f | i(T - T^\dagger) = -TT^\dagger \equiv -T^\dagger T \quad |i\rangle$$

$$i(T_{fi} - T_{if}^*) = -\sum_n \langle f | T^\dagger | n \rangle \langle n | T | i \rangle$$

$$T_{fi} \equiv (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(P_f - P_i) M_{fi}$$

$$i(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(P_f - P_i) (M_{fi} - M_{if}^*) = -(2\pi)^8 \sum_n \delta^4(P_f - P_n) \delta^4(P_n - P_i) M_{nf}^* M_{ni}$$

$$M_{fi} - M_{if}^* = i(2\pi)^4 \sum_n \delta^4(P_n - P_i) M_{nf}^* M_{ni}$$

TIME REVERSAL :  $M_{fi} = M_{if}^*$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{fi} - M_{fi}^* &= \text{Re} M + i \text{Im} M - (\text{Re} M - i \text{Im} M) \\ &= 2i \text{Im} M_{fi} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Im} M_{fi} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_n (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(P_n - P_i) M_{nf}^* M_{ni}$$

$$\text{Im} M(P_1 P_2 \rightarrow P_3 P_4) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_n \int d\Phi_n \cdot M(P_1 P_2 \rightarrow \{n\}) \cdot M^*(\{n\} \rightarrow P_3 P_4)$$

PHASE SPACE

FORWARD SCATT.  
 $P_1 = P_3, P_2 = P_4$ : OPTICAL THEOREM

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_n \int d\Phi_n \left( \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \bullet \\ 1 \end{array} \rightarrow n \right) \left( n \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} 4 \\ \bullet \\ 3 \end{array} \right)^*$$

SUM OVER ALL POSSIBLE INTERMEDIATE STATES



# ELASTIC UNITARITY

$$\text{Im} \left[ \text{Diagram} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \int d\Phi_2 \left[ \text{Diagram} \right] \left[ \text{Diagram} \right]$$

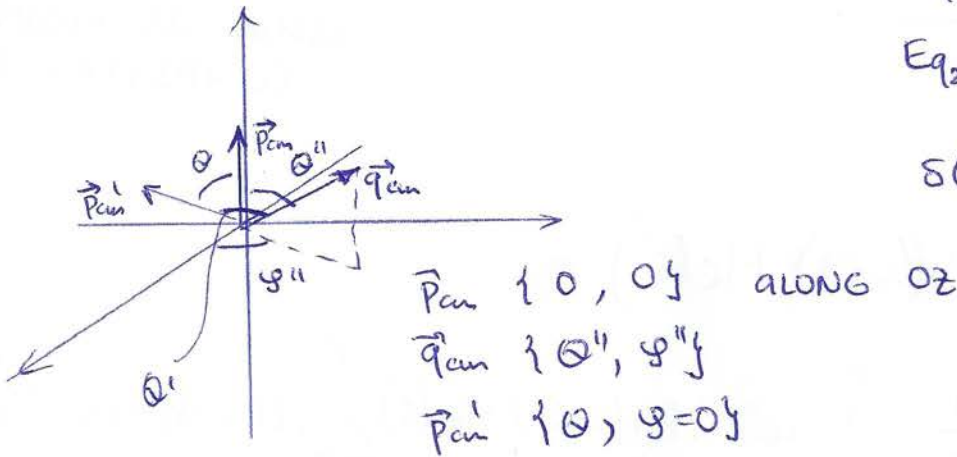
$$d\Phi_2 = \frac{d^3q_1}{(2\pi)^3 2E_{q_1}} \frac{d^3q_2}{(2\pi)^3 2E_{q_2}} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2 - q_1 - q_2)$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{C.M.} \\ \text{FRAME} \end{array} \right\} \frac{dq_{cm} q_{cm}^2 d\Omega''}{(2\pi)^3 2E_{q_1} 2E_{q_2}} (2\pi) \delta(\sqrt{s} - E_{q_1} - E_{q_2}) \quad \textcircled{=}$$

$$E_{q_1} = \sqrt{q_{cm}^2 + m_1^2}$$

$$E_{q_2} = \sqrt{q_{cm}^2 + m_2^2}$$

$$\delta(f(x)) = \frac{\delta(x-x_0)}{|f'(x)|_{x=x_0}}$$



$$\delta(\sqrt{q_{cm}^2 + m_1^2} + \sqrt{q_{cm}^2 + m_2^2} - \sqrt{s}) = \frac{\delta(q_{cm} - q_{cm}^*)}{\left| \frac{q_{cm}}{E_{q_1}} + \frac{q_{cm}}{E_{q_2}} \right|} =$$

$$q_{cm}^* = \frac{\lambda^{1/2}(s, m_1^2, m_2^2)}{2\sqrt{s}}$$

$$= \frac{\delta(q_{cm} - q_{cm}^*) E_{q_1} E_{q_2}}{q_{cm} (E_{q_1} + E_{q_2})}$$

$$\textcircled{=} \frac{q_{cm}^*}{16\pi^2} \frac{d\Omega''}{\sqrt{s}}$$

$$\text{Im} [M(s, \cos\theta)] = \frac{1}{2} \int d\Phi_2 \cdot$$

$$\cdot [M(s, \cos\theta'', \varphi'')] [M^*(s, \cos\theta')]$$

$$d\Phi_2 = d\Omega'' \frac{\beta(s)}{32\pi^2}$$

$$\beta(s) = \frac{2q_{cm}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

## PARTIAL WAVE AMPLITUDES

USEFUL TO DECOMPOSE  $M(s, t) \equiv M(s, \cos\Theta)$  IN TERMS OF RATIONAL FUNCTIONS

$$\underbrace{M(s, \cos\Theta)}_{\text{FULL AMPL.}} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) P_{\ell}(\cos\Theta) \underbrace{M_{\ell}(s)}_{\text{P.W. AMPLITUDE}}$$

### UNITARITY FOR P.W. AMPLITUDES

NOTE: FOR PARTICLES WITH SPINS, EXPANSION IS MORE COMPLICATED.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im} \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) P_{\ell}(\cos\Theta) M_{\ell}(s) \right) &= \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int d\Omega'' \frac{\rho(s)}{32\pi^2} \sum_{\ell''=0}^{\infty} (2\ell''+1) P_{\ell''}(\cos\Theta'') M_{\ell''}(s) \sum_{\ell'=0}^{\infty} (2\ell'+1) P_{\ell'}(\cos\Theta') M_{\ell'}^*(s) \end{aligned}$$

### ADDITION THEOREM:

$$\cos\Theta' = \cos\Theta \cos\Theta'' + \sin\Theta \sin\Theta'' \cos\varphi''$$

$$\int d\Omega'' P_{\ell''}(\cos\Theta'') P_{\ell'}(\cos\Theta') = \delta_{\ell'\ell''} \frac{4\pi}{2\ell'+1} P_{\ell'}(\cos\Theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{Im } M_{\ell}(s) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{16\pi} \rho(s)}_{\equiv \rho(s)} |M_{\ell}|^2}$$

IF PARTICLES IDENTICAL:  $\times \frac{1}{2}$ .

# CAUSALITY & ANALYTICITY

UNITARITY : CONSTRAINT IMAGINARY PART OF THE AMPLITUDE.

HOWEVER,  $M(s,t)$  IS REAL UNLESS DENOMINATORS

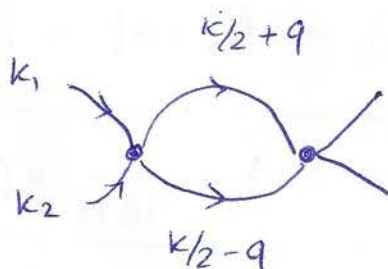
$$\frac{1}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

VANISH, SO THAT  $i\epsilon$  PRESCRIPTION FOR TREATING POLES BECOMES RELEVANT.

THE SIGN OF  $\pm i\epsilon$  IS DICTATED BY CAUSALITY (SEE QFT I).

$$\begin{aligned} i\Delta(x-y) &= \langle 0 | T(\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)) | 0 \rangle = \\ &= \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ik(x-y)} \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

LET'S CONSIDER EXAMPLE



$$iM(s) = \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{(k/2 + q)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \cdot \frac{1}{(k/2 - q)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

SYM. FACTOR

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \cdot \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} \int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{(q^2 - \Delta + i\epsilon)^2} \\ &= \frac{i\lambda^2}{2 \cdot (4\pi)^2} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \ln(4\pi\mu^2) - \int_0^1 dx \ln\left(\frac{m^2 - x(1-x)s}{-i\epsilon}\right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon \equiv 2 - d/2$$

$$\lambda \rightarrow \lambda\mu^\epsilon$$



THE DIVERGENT CONTRIBUTION CAN BE SEPERATED AS

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{M}(s) &= M(s) - M(0) = \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\lambda^2}{16\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \ln \left( 1 - \frac{x(1-x)s}{m^2} - i\epsilon \right) \\ &= \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left( 2 + \beta \ln \frac{\beta-1}{\beta+1} \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m^2}{s}} \equiv \frac{2p_{cm}}{\sqrt{s}}$$

PROPERTIES OF  $\bar{M}(s)$

$$\boxed{\bar{M}(s) \text{ REAL FOR } s < 4m^2}$$

SINCE

$$\ln(A - i\epsilon) = \ln|A| - i\pi \Theta(A < 0)$$

$\swarrow$   $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\beta < x < \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\beta$

$$\boxed{\text{Im } \bar{M}(s) = \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{16\pi} \beta(s) \Theta(s > 4m^2)}$$

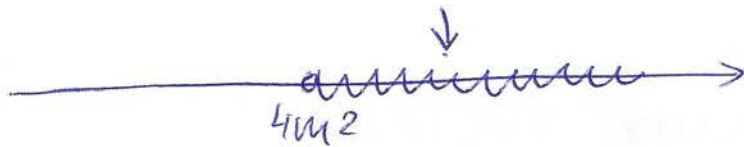
CONSEQUENCES

$$\text{Im } \bar{M} = \frac{\lambda^2}{2 \cdot 16\pi^2} \int_{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\beta}^{\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{2}\beta} dx \cdot (-\pi) = \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{16\pi} \cdot \beta$$

IF WE IGNORE  $\epsilon$   $i\epsilon$  PRESCRIPTION IN THE PROPAGATOR, THEN

$$\text{Im } \bar{M}(s \pm i\epsilon) = \pm \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \frac{1}{16\pi} \beta(s) \Theta(s > 4m^2)$$

$\Rightarrow$  THERE IS A BRANCH CUT SINGULARITY RELATED TO UNITARITY.



BUT  $i\epsilon$  PRESCRIPTION (CAUSALITY) DICTATES THAT THE PHYSICAL REGION IS DETERMINED AS THE LIMIT

$$M^{\text{PHYS}}(s) \equiv \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow +0} M(s+i\epsilon)$$

IDEA: BASED ON PERTURBATION THEORY (FEYNMAN GRAPHS)  
ANALYTICALLY CONTINUE THE AMPLITUDE FROM THE PHYSICAL REGION TO THE COMPLEX PLANE.

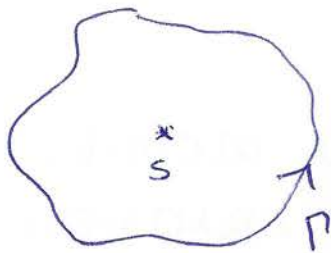
SINCE  $M(s)$  IS REAL BELOW THE CUT,  
SCHWARZ' REFLECTION PRINCIPLE  
 MUST HOLD

$$M^*(s+i\epsilon) = M(s-i\epsilon) \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{(CALLED} \\ \text{HERMITEAN} \\ \text{ANALYTIC FUNC.)} \end{matrix}$$

ALLOWS TO RELATE  $\text{Im}(M)$  TO DISCONTINUITY:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Disc } M(s) &\equiv M(s+i\epsilon) - M(s-i\epsilon) = \\ &= M(s+i\epsilon) - M^*(s+i\epsilon) = \\ &= 2i \text{Im}(M(s+i\epsilon)) \end{aligned}$$

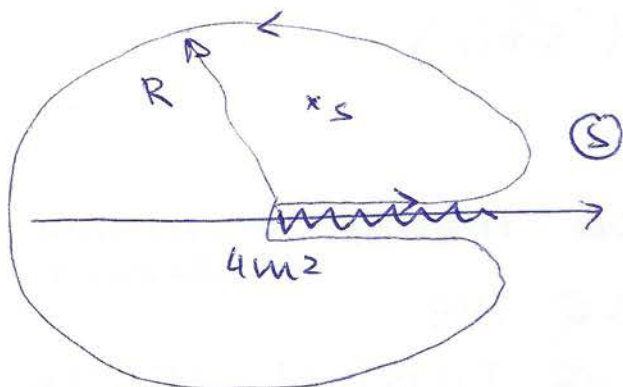
# COMPLEX ANALYSIS



CAUCHY THEOREM  
(FOR ANALYTIC FUNC)

$$M(s) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} ds' \frac{M(s')}{s' - s}$$

INTEGRATION : ANTICLOCKWISE



(S)

$$M(s) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{M(s'+i\epsilon)}{s'-s} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\infty}^{4m^2} ds' \frac{M(s')}{s'-s} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\infty}^{4m^2} ds' \frac{M(s'-i\epsilon)}{s'-s}$$

$\leftarrow |s'| = R$

ASSUME THAT  
 $M(s \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow 0$   
ON THE LARGE  
SEMI-CIRCLE

$$M(s) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{M(s'+i\epsilon) - M(s'-i\epsilon)}{s'-s} \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Disc } M(s')}{s'-s} \Rightarrow$$

$$M(s) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } M(s'+i\epsilon)}{s'-s}$$

UNSUBTRACTED  
DISPERSION  
RELATION

NOTATIONS:  $+i\epsilon$  is omitted for simplicity in the argument whenever function has to be evaluated on the upper rim of the cut, otherwise (i.e.  $-i\epsilon$ ) we will write explicitly.



## CHECK UNITARITY

$$M(s) \stackrel{\text{phys}}{=} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow +0} M(s+i\epsilon) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } M(s')}{s' - s - i\epsilon} \quad \textcircled{E}$$

Sokhotski - Plemelj's theorem

$$\int dx \frac{f(x)}{x \pm i\epsilon} = \text{p.v.} \int dx \frac{f(x)}{x} \mp i\pi f(0)$$

$$\textcircled{E} \quad \underbrace{\frac{1}{\pi} \text{p.v.} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } M(s')}{s' - s}}_{\text{Re } M(s)} + i \text{Im } M(s)$$

## ASYMPTOTICS

WE ASSUMED  $M(s) \xrightarrow{s \rightarrow \infty} 0$ , SO INTEGRAL CONVERGES AND EQUAL 0 ON THE LARGE SEMI-CIRCLE. OTHERWISE ONE CAN WRITE A DISPERSION RELATION FOR

$$\frac{M(s) - M(s_0)}{s - s_0}$$

$$M(s) = \underbrace{M(s_0)}_{\text{SO CALLED SUBTRACTION CONSTANT}} + \frac{s - s_0}{\pi} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } M(s')}{s' - s_0} \frac{1}{s' - s}$$

SO CALLED SUBTRACTION CONSTANT

IMPROVED CONVERGENCE  
(ADDIT. POWER OF  $s'$  IN DENOM)

IMPORTANT:  $s_0 < 4m^2$ ,  
SO  $M(s_0)$  IS REAL.

DISPERSION REPRESENTATION FOR A SCALAR LOOP FUNCTION (ALSO CALLED SPECTRAL REPRESENTATION)

$$J(s) \equiv \frac{M(s) \times 2}{\lambda^2};$$

$\lambda = 1$

$$\bar{J}(s) = J(s) - J(0) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} (2 + \beta \ln \frac{\beta-1}{\beta+1})$$

$$\text{Im} J(s) = \text{Im} \bar{J}(s) = \frac{1}{16\pi} \beta(s) \quad (s > 4m^2)$$

$\Rightarrow$   $\text{Im} J(s) \rightarrow \text{const}$  as  $s \rightarrow \infty$   $\parallel \Rightarrow$  NEED ONE SUBTRACTION

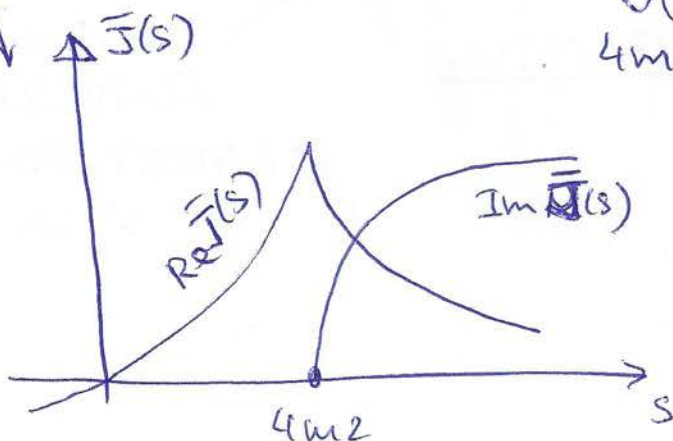
CHOOSE  $s_0 = 0$

$$J(s) = J(0) + \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{s'} \frac{\text{Im} J(s')}{s' - s} \Rightarrow$$

$$\bar{J}(s) = J(s) - J(0) = \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{s'} \cdot \frac{1/16\pi \beta(s')}{s' - s}$$

SUBTRACTIONS: GENERAL, n-subtracted dispersion relation

$$M(s) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{i!} F^{(i)}(s_0) (s - s_0)^i + \frac{(s - s_0)^n}{\pi} \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{(s' - s_0)^n} \frac{\text{Im} M(s')}{s' - s}$$



# COMPLEX ALGEBRA

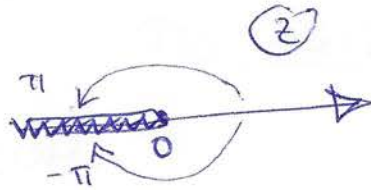
$$\ln(A - i\varepsilon)$$
$$A = |A|e^{i\varphi}$$

CONVENTION FOR LOG:

$$-\pi \leq \varphi < \pi$$

1)  $A > 0$

$$\ln(A - i\varepsilon) = \ln(A)$$



2)  $A < 0$

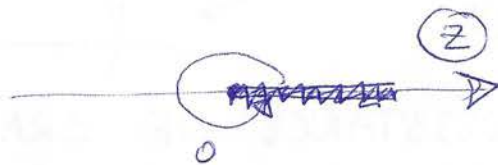
$$\ln(A - i\varepsilon) = \ln(|A|e^{-i\pi}) = \ln(|A|) - i\pi \quad \text{if } (A < 0)$$

means  $|A|$  reached  
in the III<sup>rd</sup> quadrant  
from below

$$\ln(A + i\varepsilon) = \ln(|A|e^{i\pi}) = \ln(|A|) + i\pi \quad \text{if } (A < 0)$$

ANOTHER CHOICE FOR LOG:

$$0 \leq \varphi < 2\pi$$



$$\log(|A|) +$$

$$\log(|A|) + i2\pi \quad \text{if } (A > 0)$$



ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS FORM A VERY STRINGENT CLASS OF FUNCTIONS.  $\Rightarrow$

IF PHYSICAL OBSERVABLES COMES AS A LIMIT FROM COMPLEX ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS  $\rightarrow$  IT IS A CONSTRAINT.

$$f = u(x,y) + i v(x,y)$$

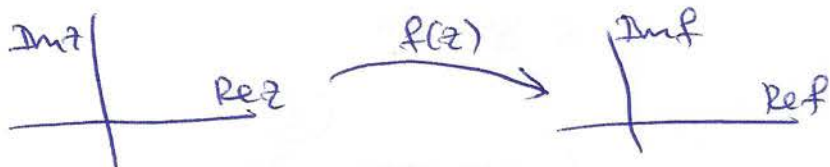
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

SMOOTH, HOLOMORPHIC,  
ANALYTIC = SYNONYMS  
(i.e. function is differentiable)

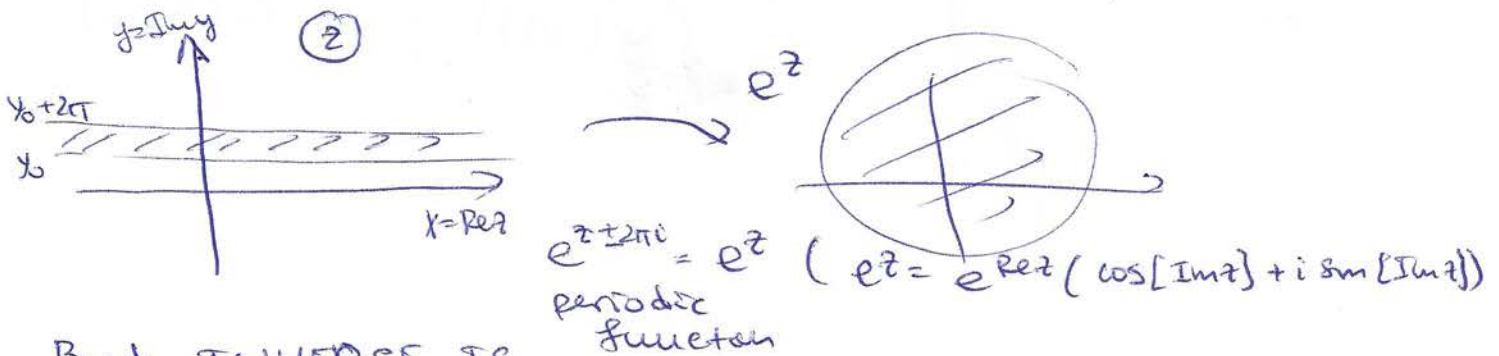
IF THE FUNCTION IS COMPLETELY SMOOTH  $\Rightarrow$  THINGS ARE BOARING, IT IS JUST A POLYNOMIAL. BUT THERE ARE SINGULARITIES  $\Rightarrow$  CUTS, POLES.

ONCE WE KNOW THE SINGULARITIES  $\rightarrow$  WE KNOW THE FUNCTION.

COMPLEX FUNCTIONS, VARIABLES NOT EASY TO VISUALIZE



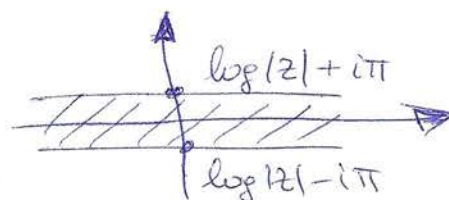
DUE TO EXISTENCE OF BRANCHING CUTS, IT IS NOT STRAIGHT FORWARD TO DO ONE-TO-ONE MAPPING:  $\sqrt{-z}$   $\rightarrow$  SI OR -SI, OR



BUT INVERSE IS MORE COMPLICATED.  $\log z$

$$z = |z| e^{i(\pi - \epsilon)}$$

$$z = |z| e^{i(\pi + \epsilon)}$$



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Exit[];
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In[181]= m = 1;
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ε = 0.00001;
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β[s_] :=  $\sqrt{1 - \frac{4m^2}{s}}$ ;
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Jloop1[s_] :=  $-\frac{1}{16\pi^2} \text{NIntegrate} \left[ \text{Log} \left[ 1 - \frac{s}{m^2} x (1-x) - I\epsilon \right], \{x, 0, 1\} \right]$ ;
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Jloop2[s_] :=  $\frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left( 2 + \beta[s] \text{Log} \left[ \frac{\beta[s] - 1}{\beta[s] + 1} \right] \right)$ ;
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Jdisp[s_] :=
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 $\text{NIntegrate} \left[ \frac{\frac{1}{16\pi} \beta[sb]}{sb - s - I\epsilon} \frac{s}{sb} \frac{1}{\pi}, \{sb, 4m^2, \text{Infinity}\}, \text{MaxRecursion} \rightarrow 20 \right]$ ;
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Plot[{Re[Jloop1[s]], Im[Jloop1[s]], Re[Jloop2[s]],  
      Re[Jdisp[s]], Im[Jloop2[s]], Im[Jdisp[s]]}, {s, -1, 8},  
      PlotPoints → 150, MaxRecursion → 0, FrameLabel → {"s", "J(s)"},  
      PlotStyle → {Blue, Red, {Darker[Blue], Dashed}, {Lighter[Blue], Dotted},  
                  {Dashed, Darker[Red]}, {Lighter[Red], Dotted}},  
      PlotLegends → Placed[{"Re(J(s))", "Im(J(s))"}, {Left, Top}]]
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