

## Scattering amplitudes in gauge theories – a new Lecture Notes in Physics Book by J. Henn and J. Plefka

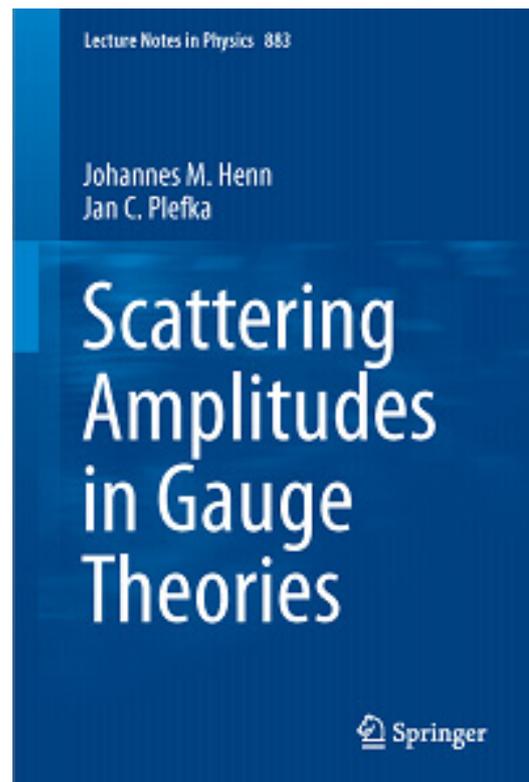
At the fundamental level, the interactions of elementary particles are described by quantum gauge field theory. The quantitative implications of these interactions are captured by scattering amplitudes, traditionally computed using Feynman diagrams. In the past decade tremendous progress has been made in our understanding of and computational abilities with regard to scattering amplitudes in gauge theories, going beyond the traditional textbook approach. These advances build upon on-shell methods that focus on the analytic structure of the amplitudes, as well as on their recently discovered hidden symmetries. In fact, when expressed in suitable variables the amplitudes are much simpler than anticipated and hidden patterns emerge.

These modern methods are of increasing importance in phenomenological applications arising from the need for high-precision predictions for the experiments carried out at the Large Hadron Collider, as well as in foundational mathematical physics studies on the S-matrix in quantum field theory.

Bridging the gap between introductory courses on quantum field theory and state-of-the-art research, there has been a need for a focussed text book on the subject. Recently IRIS member Jan Plefka together with his former postdoc Dr. Johannes Henn, now at the Institute for Advanced Studies in Princeton (USA) have published the first monographical text on this fundamental subject. The

concise yet self-contained and course-tested lecture notes are well-suited for a one-semester graduate level course or as a self-study guide for anyone interested in fundamental aspects of quantum field theory and its applications.

The book contains numerous exercises and solutions which help readers to embrace and apply the material presented in the main text.



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