



# The EPRL intertwiners and correct partition function.

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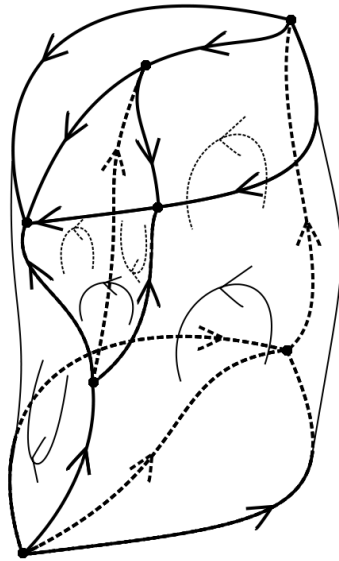
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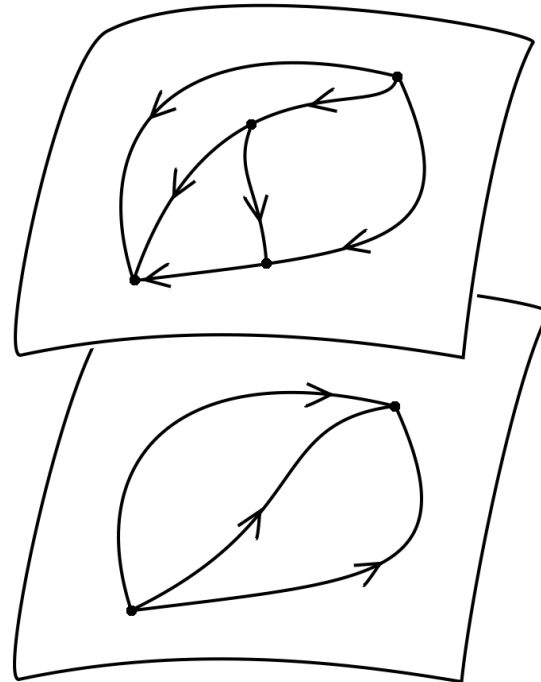
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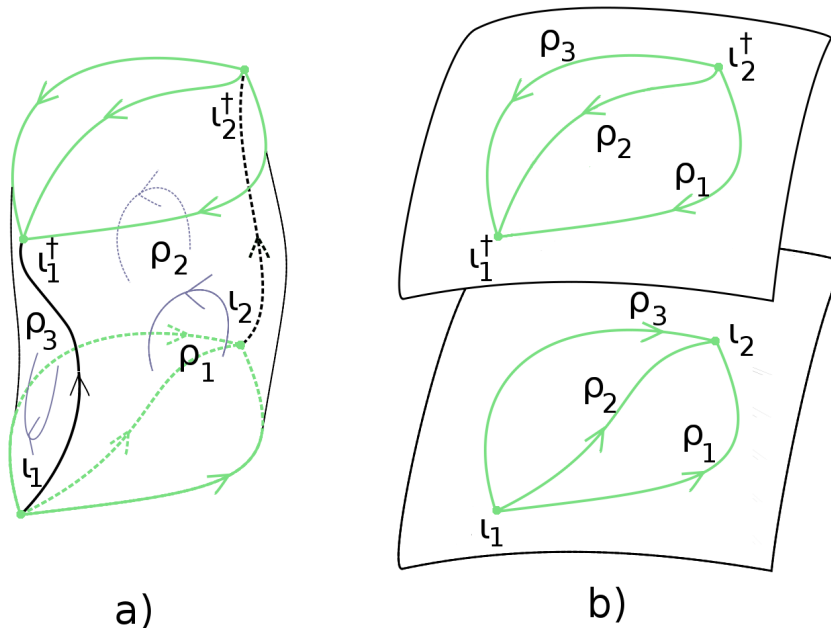


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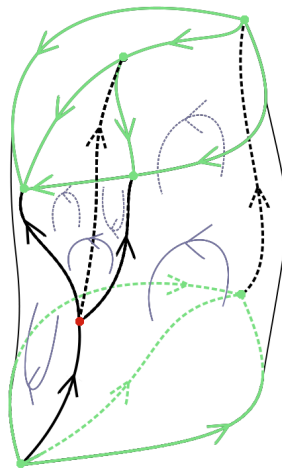




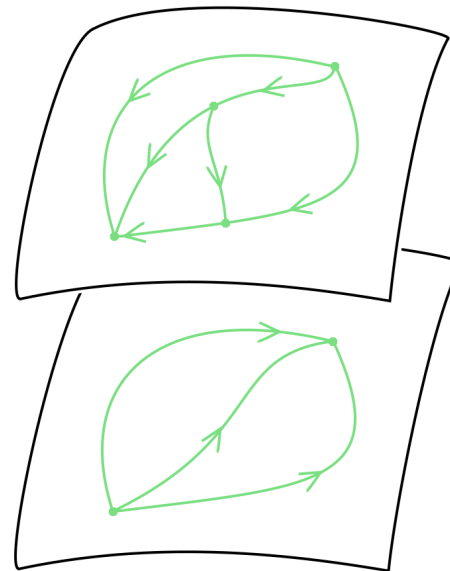
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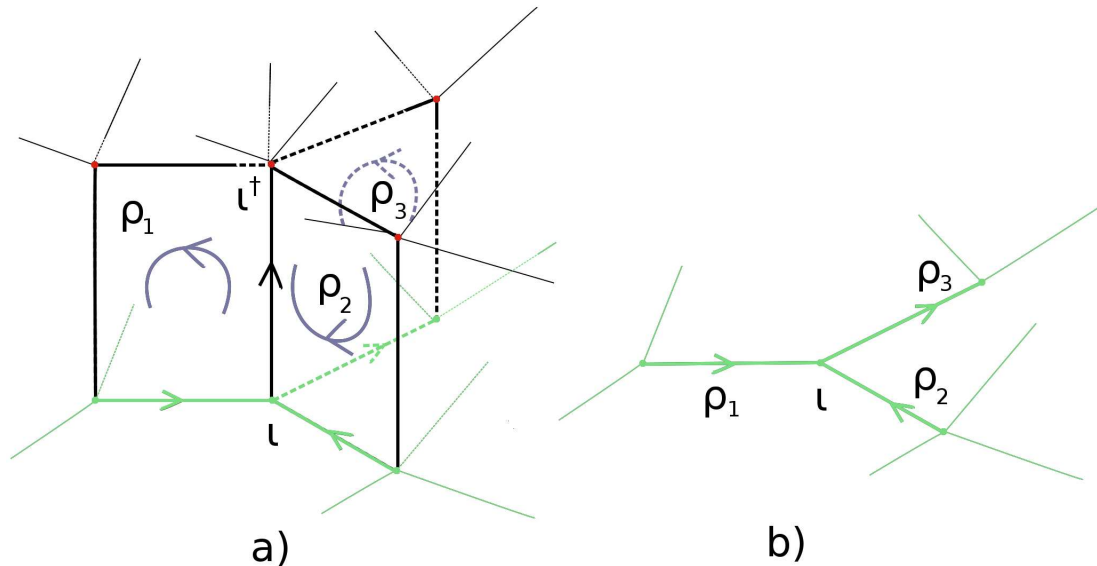
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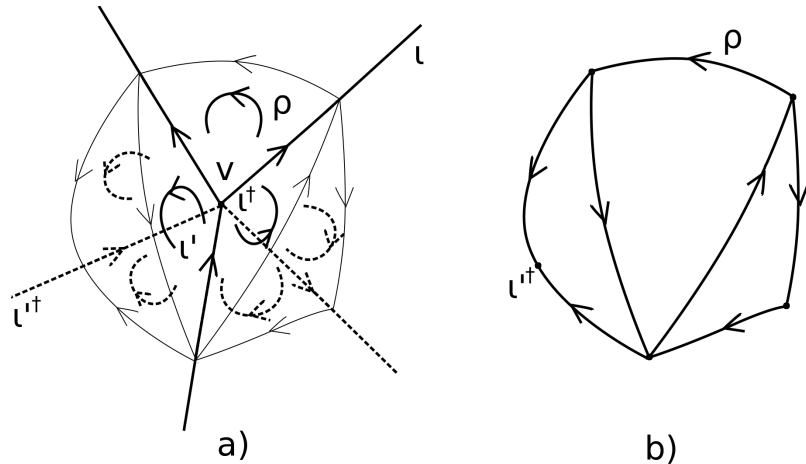
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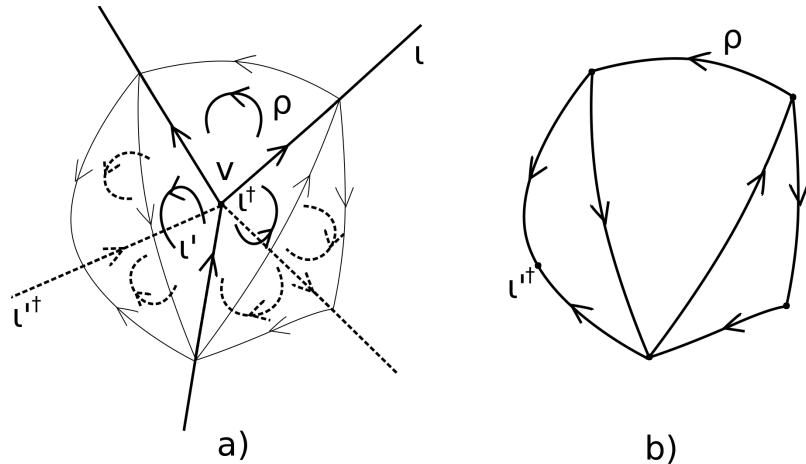
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- To sum with respect to the spin-network histories with the amplitude as a weight, one fixes an *orthonormal basis* in each space of simple intertwiners.

# Simple intertwiners

There are three main proposals for the simple intertwiners:

1. that of **Barrett-Crane (BC)** corresponding to the Palatini action,
2. that of **Engle-Pereira-Rovelli-Livine (EPRL)** corresponding the Holst action with the value of the Barbero-Immirzi parameter  $\gamma \neq \pm 1$ ,
3. that of **Freidel-Krasnov (FK)** also corresponding to the Holst action with the value of the Barbero-Immirzi parameter  $\gamma \neq \pm 1$ ,

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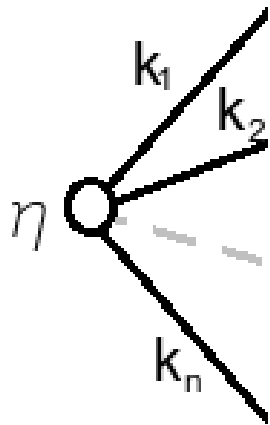
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$k_I = j^+ + j^-$ , if  $|\gamma| < 1$  and  $k_I = |j^+ - j^-|$ , if  $|\gamma| > 1$ . This follows from adjusted/improved constraints.

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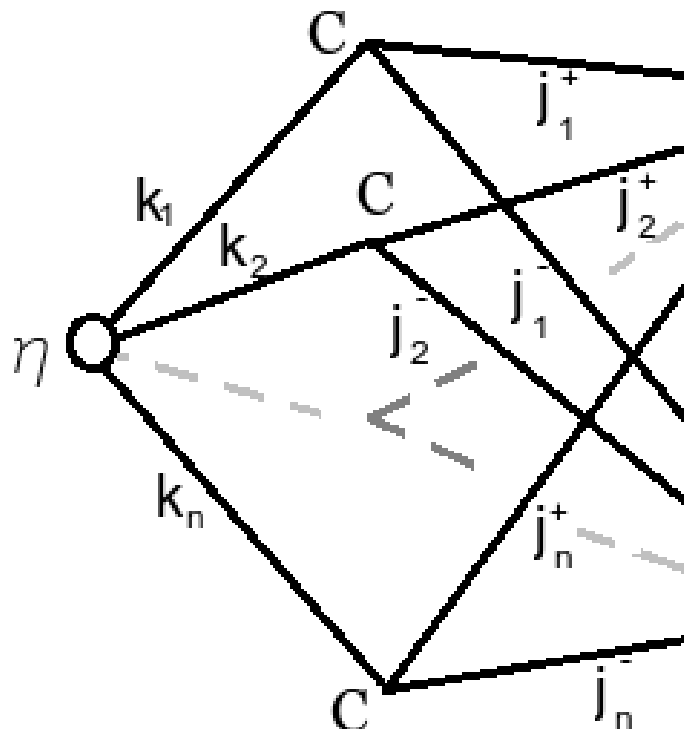
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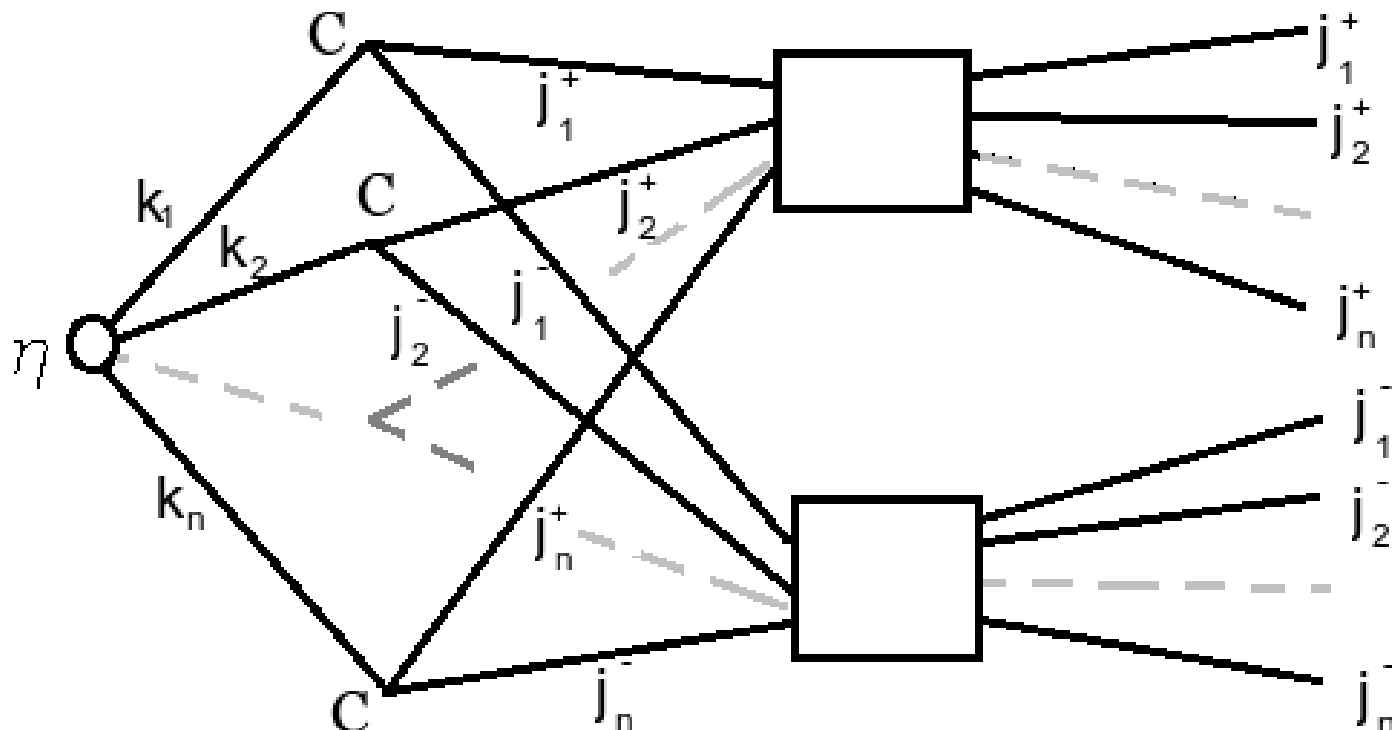
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The map EPRL

$$\iota_{\text{EPRL}}(\eta) := (P^+ \otimes P^-) c_1 \otimes \dots \otimes c_n \lrcorner \eta.$$

- $P^\pm$  projections onto  $SU(2)_\pm$  invariants,
- $c_i$  Clebsch-Gordon coefficients  $\rho_{k_i} \rightarrow \rho_{j_i^+} \otimes \rho_{j_i^-}$ .



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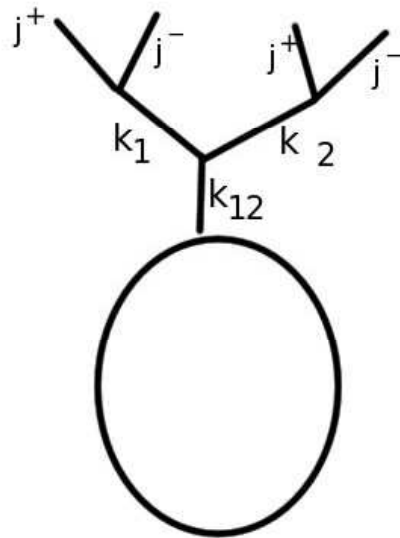
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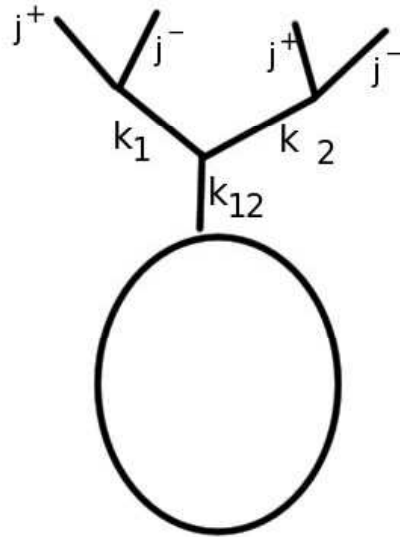
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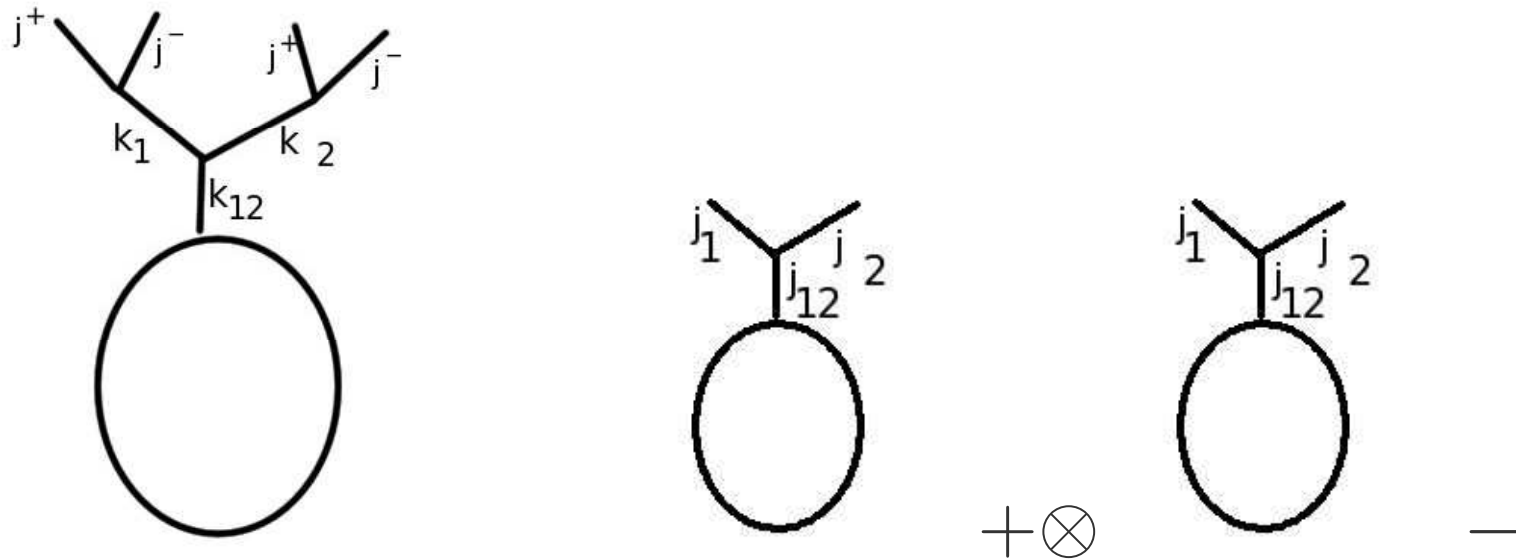
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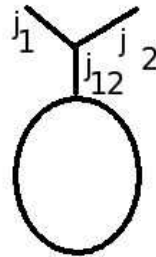
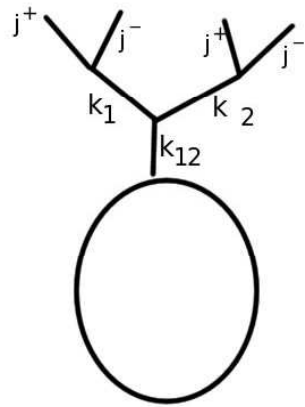
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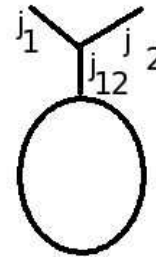
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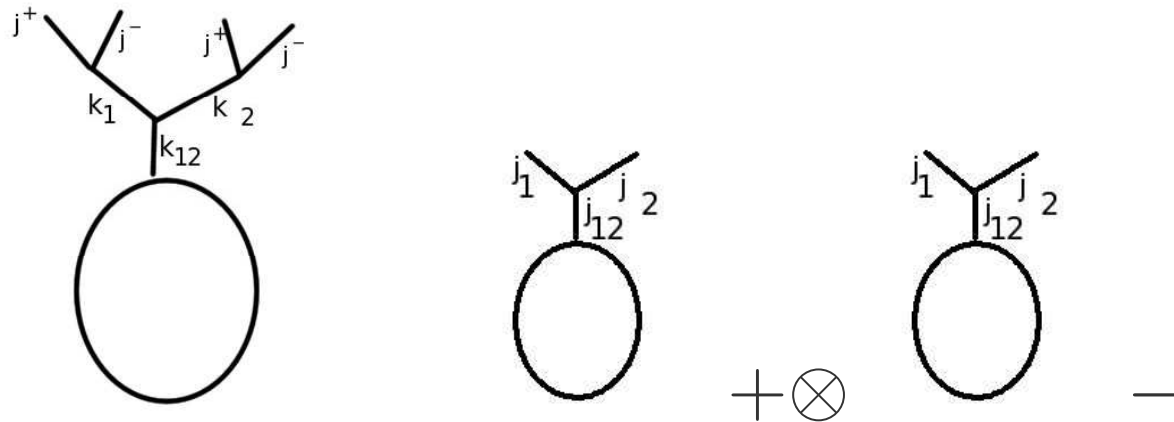
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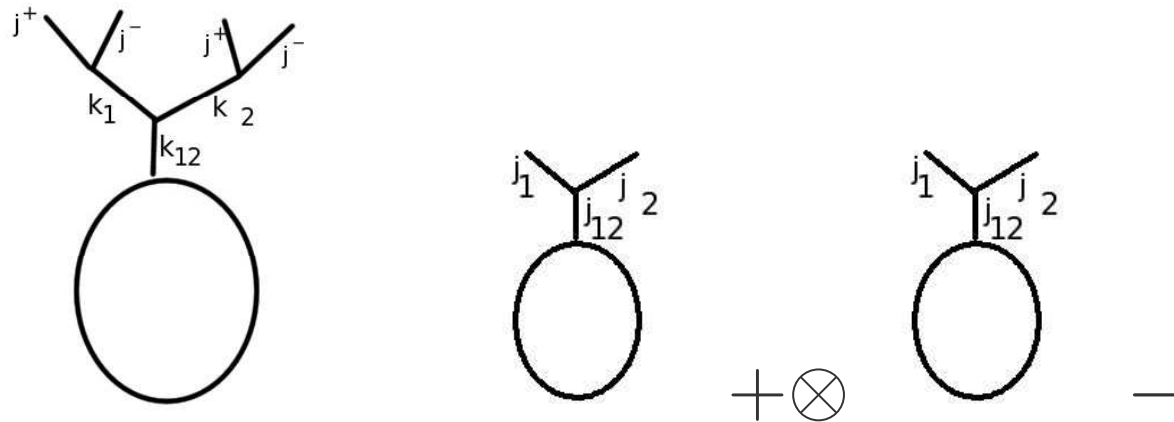


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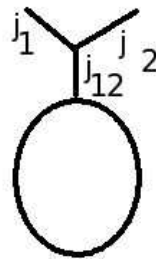
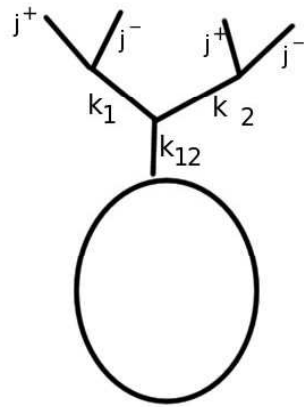
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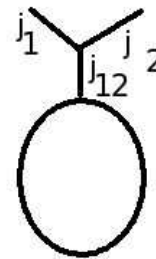


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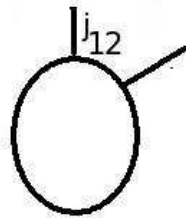
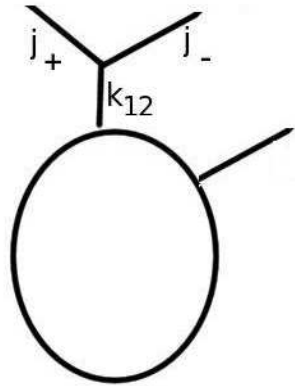


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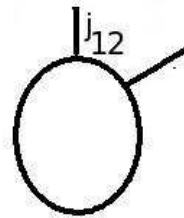
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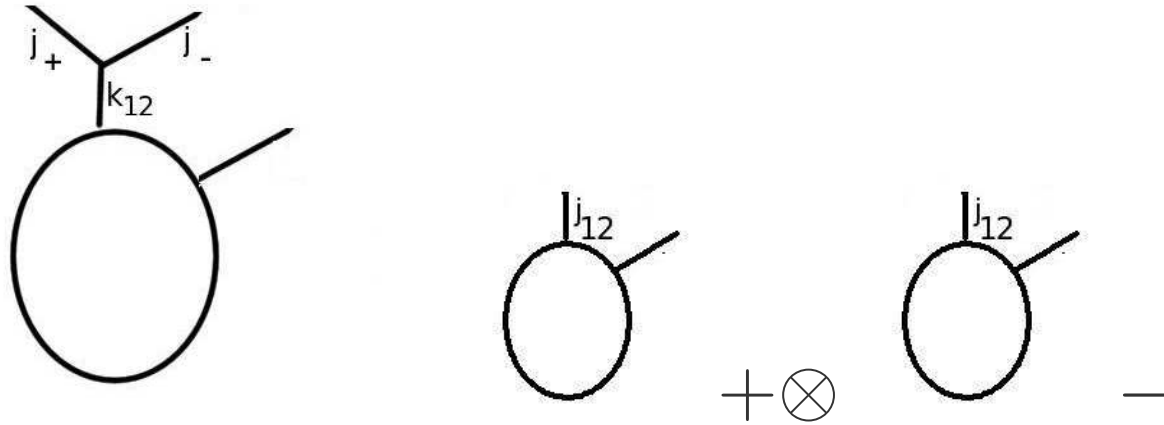
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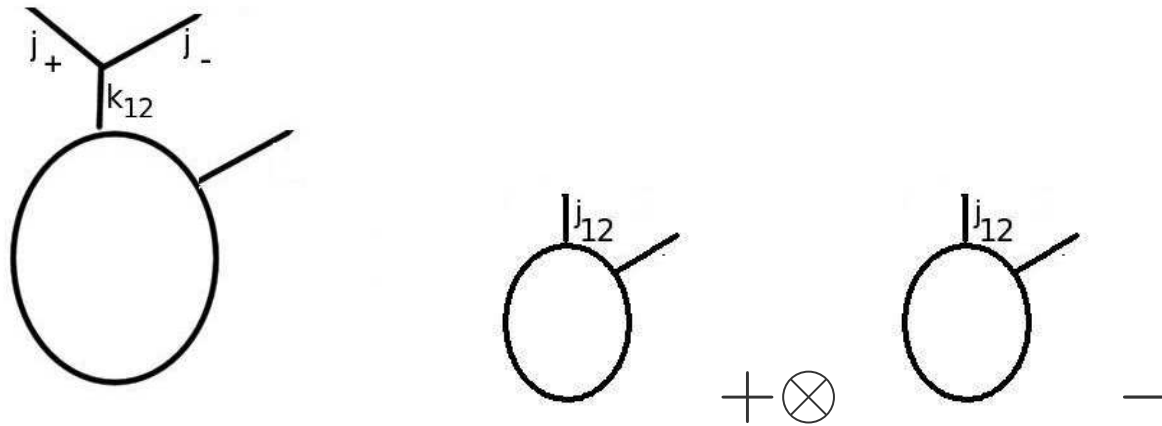
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$$\langle \eta_1 | A^{-1} \eta_2 \rangle = \langle \iota_{EPRL}(\eta_1) | \iota_{EPRL}(\eta_2) \rangle$$