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## CDT \& Trees

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## Outline

- Quadrangulations \& Trees:
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- Generalized CDT \& Trees:
- Loop amplitudes \& Planar maps:



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- We will be using the bijection:
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- Straightforward extension to higher genus. Sum over topologies in non-critical string theory?



## Merry Christmas!

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