

Project Caesar, a blueprint for numerical evaluation of Feynman integrals

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Introduction

Many formal successful studies are available on the market.

- Loop tree duality [Capatti, Hirschi, Pelloni, Ruijl, 2021]
- Unitarity cut techniques [Abreu, Ita, Page, Tschernow, 2021]
- pySecDec approach [Long Chen, Heinrich, Jones, Kerner, Klappert, Schlenk, 2021]
- Auxiliary mass flow [Brønnum-Hansen, Melnikov, Quarroz, Chen-YuWang, 2021]
- Solving a system of differential equations numerically [Lee, Smirnov, Smirnov, 2018], [Mandal, Zhao, 2019], [Moriello, 2019], [Bonciani, Del Duca, Frellesvig, Henn, Hidding, Maestri, Moriello, Salvatori, Smirnov, 2019], [Hidding, 2020], [Abreu, Ita, Moriello, Page, Tschernow, Zeng 2020]
- For the full automation some glue is missing.

We demonstrate one possible full automation of the **differential equations** method approach.

Electroweak Precision Physics

	Experiment	Theory uncertainty	Main source
M_W [MeV]	80385 ± 15	4	$N_f^2 \alpha^3, N_f \alpha^2 \alpha_s$
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^l$ [10^{-5}]	23153 ± 16	4.5	$N_f^2 \alpha^3, N_f \alpha^2 \alpha_s$
Γ_Z [MeV]	2495.2 ± 2.3	0.4	$N_f^2 \alpha^3, N_f \alpha^2 \alpha_s, \alpha \alpha_s^2$
σ_{had}^0 [pb]	41540 ± 37	6	$N_f^2 \alpha^3, N_f \alpha^2 \alpha_s$
$R_b = \Gamma_Z^b / \Gamma_Z^{\text{had}}$ [10^{-5}]	21629 ± 66	15	$N_f^2 \alpha^3, N_f \alpha^2 \alpha_s$

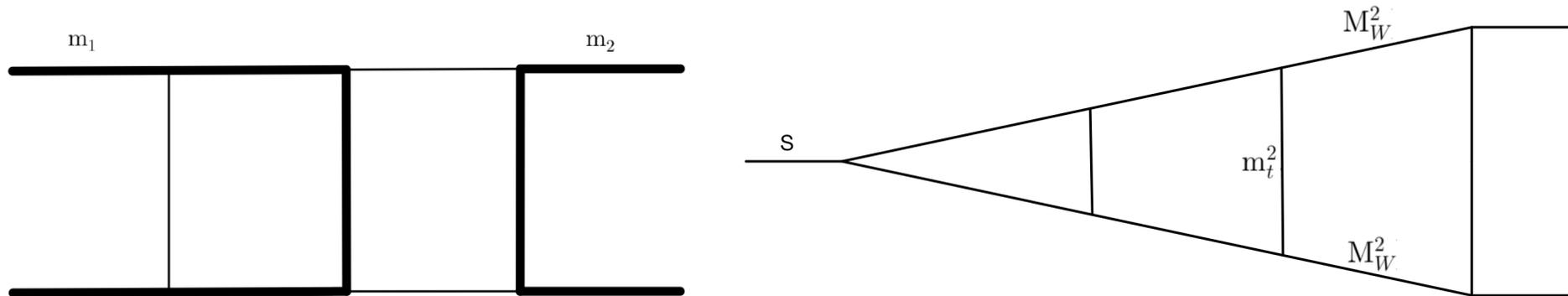
- The number of Z -bosons collected at LEP is 1.7×10^7
- Many pseudo observables are determined with high precision
- Present theoretical predictions are accurate enough to fulfill experimental demands

Overview Experiment Future

	Experiment uncertainty			Theory uncertainty	
	ILC	CEPC	FCC-ee	Current	Future
M_W [MeV]	3-4	3	1	4	1
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^l$ [10^{-5}]	1	2.3	0.6	4.5	1.5
Γ_Z [MeV]	0.8	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.2
R_b [10^{-5}]	14	17	6	15	7

- The concepts for the new experiments will have new demands to the theoreticle predictions
- **FCC-ee** will generate 5×10^{12} Z -bosons which is 10^5 more than during the LEP times
- The projection to the theory errors in the future assumes that the missing corrections $\alpha\alpha_s^2$, $N_f^2\alpha^3$, $N_f\alpha^2\alpha_s$ will become available

Samples of two-loop and three-loop Feynman integrals



- We project all Feynman integrals to scalar integrals
- We need to compute all Feynman integrals only up to the finite order in $\epsilon = (4 - d)/2$, d the space time dimension
- At the end we want to make sure we are able to compute all three-loop Feynman integrals appearing in e.g. the $Z\bar{b}b$ vertex numerically with at least **eight significant digits of accuracy in physical kinematic regions**

Grading the difficulty of a computation

- The integrals depend on up to **four dimensionless parameters**

$$\left\{ \frac{M_H^2}{M_Z^2}, \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2}, \frac{m_t^2}{M_Z^2}, \frac{(s + i\delta)}{M_Z^2} \right\} \Big|_{s=M_Z^2} \quad (1)$$

- Many of them contain **ultraviolet and infrared singularities**, even though the divergences cancel in the final result
- Computations involve **$\mathcal{O}(100)$ master integrals**

Feynman integral

$$T(a_1, \dots, a_N) = \int \left(\prod_{i=1}^L d^d \ell_i \right) \frac{1}{P_1^{a_1} P_2^{a_2} \dots P_N^{a_N}}, \quad N = \frac{L}{2}(L+1) + LE \quad (2)$$

- $P_j = q_j^2 - m_j^2$, $j = 1, \dots, N$, are the inverse propagators
- The momenta q_j are linear combinations of the loop momenta ℓ_i , $i = 1, \dots, L$ for an L -loop integral, and external momenta p_k , $k = 1, \dots, E$ for $E + 1$ external legs
- The m_j are the propagator masses
- The a_j are the (integer) propagator powers

Differential Equations

- Each family of Feynman integrals $T(a_1, \dots, a_N)$ may be characterized through a system of differential equations [Kotikov, 1991], [Remiddi, 1997][Gehrmann, Remiddi, 2000]

$$\partial_{s_i} \vec{f} = M_{s_i}(s_i, \epsilon) \vec{f} \quad (3)$$

and a set of master integrals \vec{f}

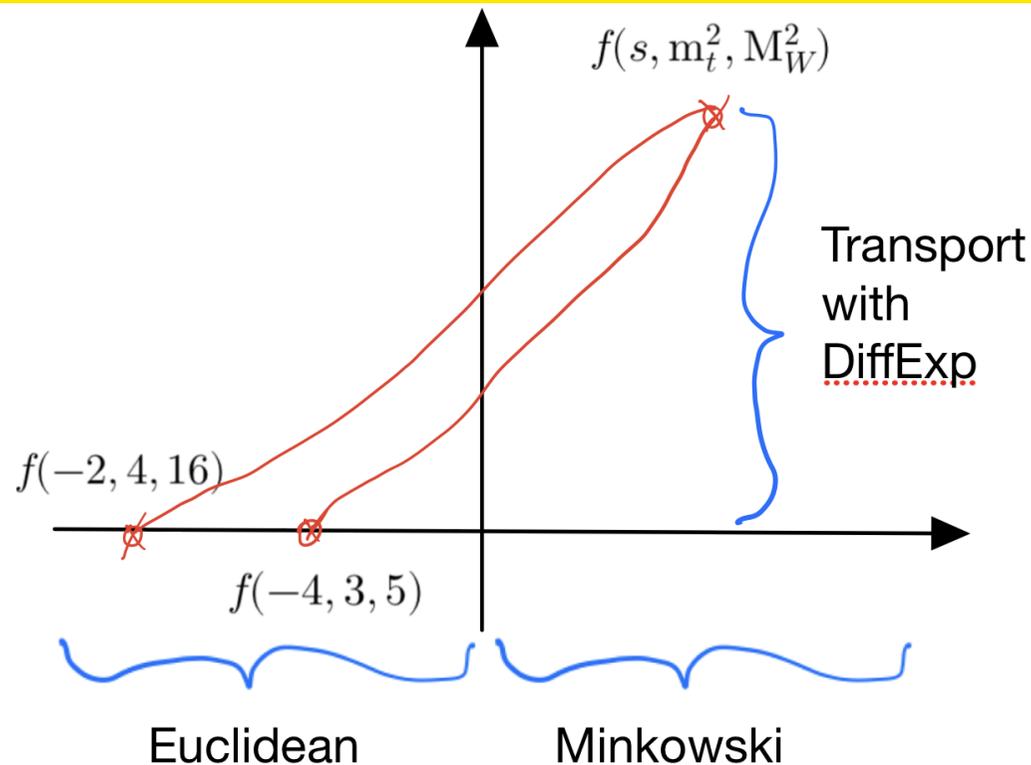
- We take derivatives in kinematic invariants and masses denoted as s_i in \vec{f}
- We express these derivatives again as a linear combination in terms of the same master integrals with the help of integration-by-parts identities [Chetyrkin, Tkachov, 1981]

The difficult part is to cast a physics problem in the form of Eq. (3). If this is done successfully, we have powerful tools to solve the physics problem.

Caesar: blueprint for numerical evaluation of Feynman integrals

- Developers team: Martijn Hidding and me.
- Basic idea: **Caesar** has an interface to **Kira**, **Reduze 2** [Von Manteuffel, Studerus, 2012], **pySecDec** [Borowka et al., 2018] and **DiffExp** [Martijn Hidding, 2021].
- Kira - the **backbone / major bottleneck** of the Caesar project - solves linear system of equations
- Reduze 2 - finds candidates for a **finite basis** of master integrals
- pySecDec - computes these master integrals in **Euclidean regions** - boundary terms for the system of differential equations
- DiffExp - transports the Euclidean point to an **arbitrary physical point**
- **Error estimate**: repeat the chain of tools for different Euclidean point

One Possible Application of Caesar



- All master integrals $f_i(\dots)$ are finite integrals (**Reduze**)
- Master integrals $f_i(\dots)$ are evaluated numerically in Euclidean regions (**pySecDec**)
- System of differential equations is generated with (**Kira**)
- Use series expansion of the system of differential equations to transport from the Euclidean points to Minkowskian physical regions (**DiffExp**)

Benefits of the blueprint Caesar

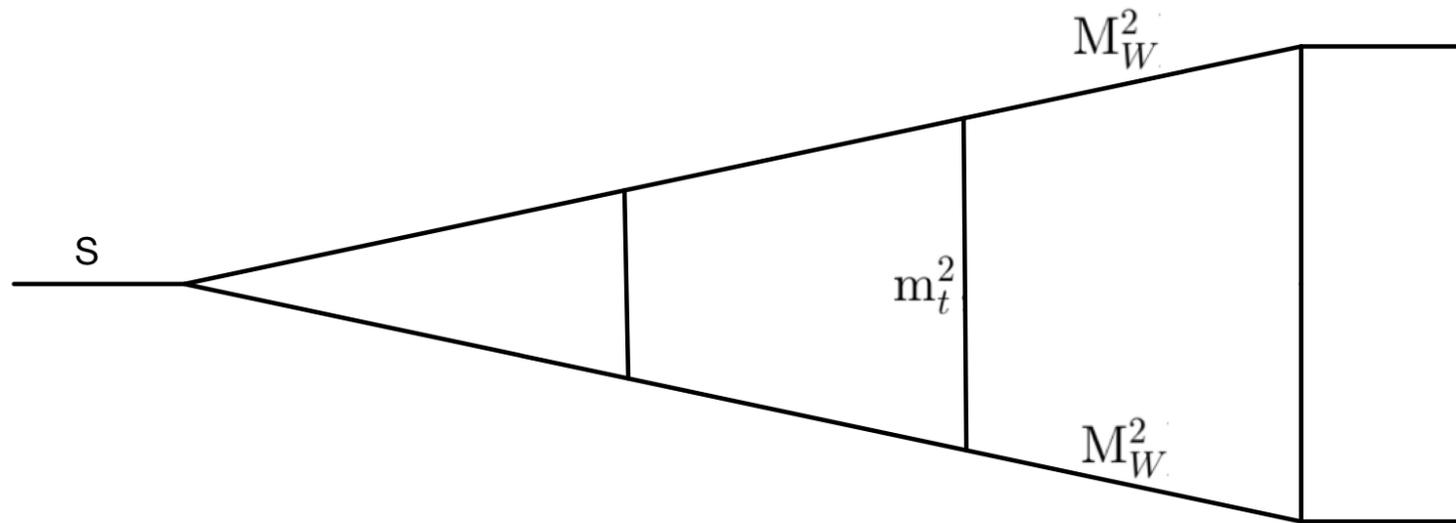
- Proof of concept available in other projects [Frellesvig, Hidding, Maestri, Moriello, Salvatori, 2020], [Faela, Lange, Schönwalda, Steinhauser, 2021], [Canko, Gasparotto, Mattiazzi, Papadopoulos, Syrrakos, 2021]
- We may set all masses to physical values — reductions with Kira simplify enormously
- Finite integrals in Euclidean regions — avoid the contour deformation and the tedious resolving of the UV or IR divergences

Drawbacks of the project Caesar

What if ...

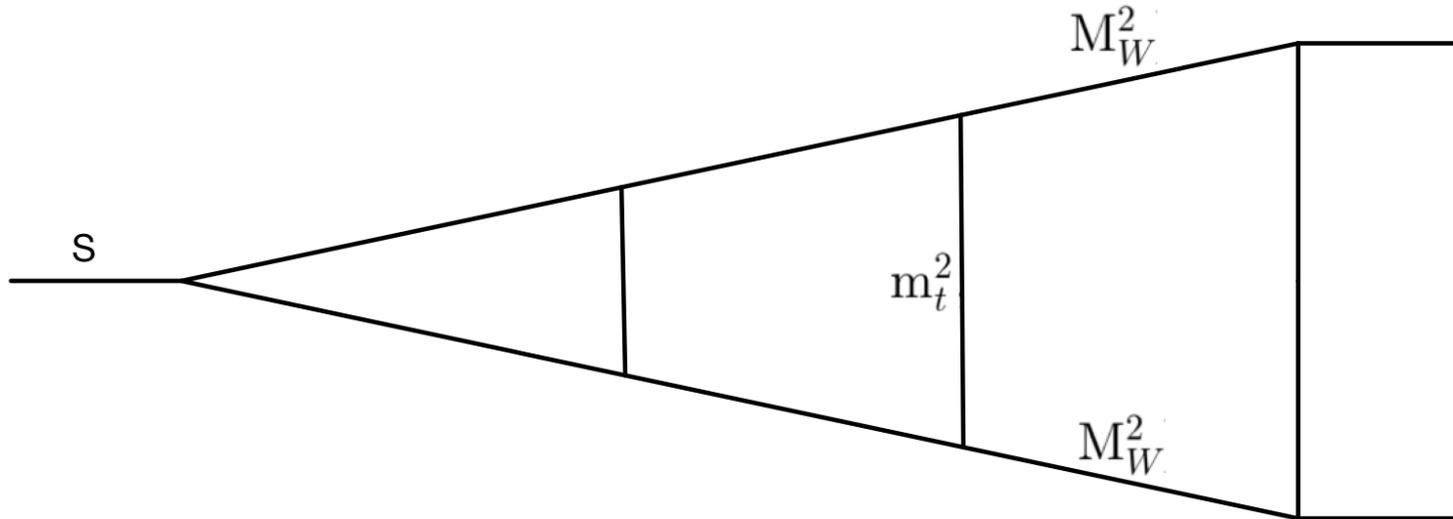
- no Euclidean region exist or no immediate comfortable kinematic point
- we encounter system of differential equations involving $\mathcal{O}(1000)$ of master integrals
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Caesar: Integralfamily v3t181



- In Euclidean regions $(s, M_W^2, m_t^2) = (-2, 4, 16)$
 -> $v3t181^{d=4-2\epsilon} [1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0] =$
 $0.133952666444160183902749812$ with 25 significant digits
- At the present stage of the project this high accuracy was achieved semi-automatic :)

Caesar: Integralfamily v3t181



- In physical regions $(s, M_W^2, m_t^2) = (1, (\frac{401925}{4559382})^2, (\frac{433000}{227969})^2)$
 - > $v3t181^{d=4-2\epsilon} [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, -3, 0, 0] =$

$$\frac{1.99999999981 + 8.18 \cdot 10^{-12} i}{\epsilon^3}$$

$$+ \frac{9.87003934692 + 18.84955592198 i}{\epsilon^2}$$

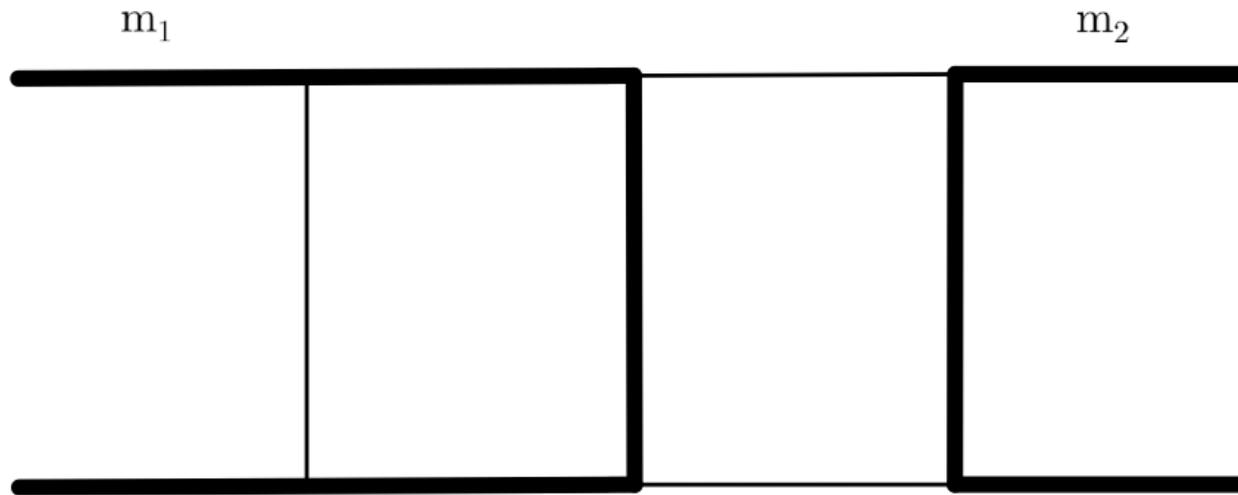
$$- \frac{26.50733688118 - 41.19670709595 i}{\epsilon}$$

$$+ (2.29574696253 + 201.06880202144 i) + O(\epsilon)$$
- Fully automated following the blueprint Caesar

Few comments about v3t181

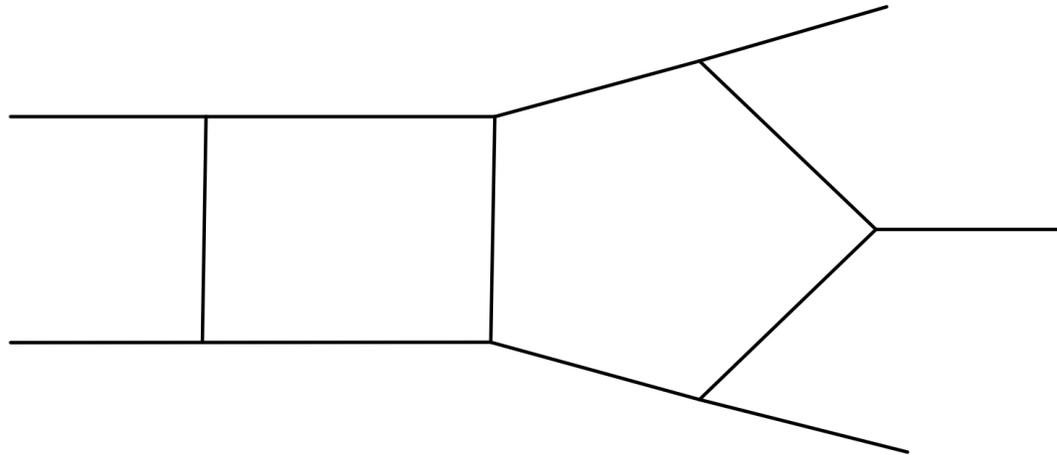
- The integral v3t181 has 77 master integrals all in different dimensions, $d=4,6,8$.
- Automatic resale of master integrals is implemented to meet the requirement that the matrix of system of differential equations is finite in the ϵ series expansion. The largest power is ϵ^{-5}
- The matrix is ~ 3 MB big before expanding in ϵ

Caesar: Integralfamily Bhabha



- In physical regions $(s, t, m_1^2, m_2^2) = (2, 5, 4, 16)$
 -> $\text{bhabha}^{d=6-2\epsilon}[1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0] =$
 $(0.0002973066815 + 0.001542581913 i)$
 $-(0.002805345908 - 0.003106827180 i) \epsilon + O(\epsilon^2)$
- Fully automated following the blueprint Caesar

Integralfamily BoxPentagon



- 61 master integrals - that is fine
- Fight for Euclidean regions - trivial automation?
 - Euclidean regions are topology dependent
- We apply expansion by regions for even faster numerical treatment
 - treat all $s_{ij} \rightarrow s_{ij}x$ but one s_{12}
- 5 scales - sounds like a lot
 - Apply the blueprint Caesar in an iterative way

Caesar: Iterative Approach

- **Generate a system of differential equations** for just one variable s_1 and set all other kinematic variables to numeric values
 $s_i = n_i$ (rational number), $i \neq 1$
- The integration-by-parts reductions depend only on s_1 and d
- Evaluate all master integrals in a comfortable point numerically with pySecDec
- Transport the boundary terms with DiffExp to some useful value u_1 in the physical regions for s_1
- **Generate a system of differential equations** for the next variable s_2 and set all other kinematic variables to numeric values
 $s_i = n_i$ (rational number), $i \neq 1, 2$ and $s_1 = u_1$ (physical region)
- We skip the evaluation with pySecDec, since we know the new boundary terms from the last DiffExp call
- Transport the boundary terms with DiffExp to the next useful physical value u_2 for s_2
- Continue this pattern until all s_i are in physical regions

Caesar + Expansion by Regions with pySecDec

- With **pySecDec** apply expansion by regions
- In boxPentagon we treat all $s_{ij} \rightarrow s_{ij}x$ but one s_{12}
- We evaluate the integrals in $x = 10^{-19}$
- Integrals are finite in the general case
- Special case is where the x is an overall scaleless parameter - has to multiply the finite integrals by a $g(x, eps)$ function
- after the numerical computation of the boundary terms we transport the $x = 10^{-19}$ value to $x = 1$ value and continue with the iterative Caesar

Automate search for Euclidean regions

- In boxPentagon Euclidean regions are topology dependent
- e.g. if the propagator a_2 is positive we have Euclidean region if all $p_i p_j < 0$.
- If the propagator is contracted the Euclidean regions have different constraints.
- Apply Caesar blueprint to each different Euclidean region
- Example numerical value: $s_{12} = -4$, $s_{13} = -16$, $s_{14} = -32$, $s_{23} = -36$, $s_{24} = -46$, $x = 10^{-19}$
 $\text{boxPentagon}^{d=8-2\epsilon}[2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0] =$
 $0.07406413 + 0.31043095 \epsilon$
- $\text{boxPentagon}^{d=8-2\epsilon}[2, 0, 1, 0, 1, 2, 1, 2, 0, 0, 0] =$
 $-3.33671556 - 0.26179939 i$
 $+(-80.732153 - 11.62026 i) \epsilon$
 $+(-1206.4608 - 258.3949 i) \epsilon^2$

Euclidean regions do exist for boxPentagon (soon new results available!):

$$s_{12} = -1, s_{13} = -16, s_{14} = 101, s_{23} = -36, s_{24} = -46$$

Outlook

- Get a basis where the matrix of the system of differential equations is linear in ϵ
 - > DiffExp does order of magnitudes faster transport of the boundary terms
- Implement automated search for Euclidean regions
- Iterative application of the blueprint Caesar
- Generation of a whole grid for the function evaluation
- Implement block triangular form in Kira for faster amplitude/ deq evaluation
- Kira supports deformed propagators - have to check the application of Caesar also here

Conclusions

- The first physics goals are already in 6 month reach
- Important is the knowledge transfer and to get people motivated to engineer other methods for practical applications
- **Strong computing resources** are needed not only for the final product but also **for the development of the tools**.
- Without spending significant effort on simplification of the basis, we can numerically solve the differential equations of non-trivial 3-loop Feynman integrals.
- By choosing the basis representatives to be finite integrals, we can obtain precise numerical boundary conditions in the Euclidean region using pySecDec.
- We find that the precision of the boundary conditions in the Euclidean region carries over to the physical region.
- The process can be fully automated.
- Possible list of applications possible in physics with Caesar is growing.