

Pentagon functions for one-mass scattering amplitudes

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Precision physics at hadron colliders

- Theoretical predictions (QCD corrections) at Next-to-Next-to-Leading-Order are required nowadays

$$\sigma = \sigma_{\text{LO}} + \alpha_s \sigma_{\text{NLO}} + \frac{\alpha_s^2 \sigma_{\text{NNLO}}}{\approx 1-10\%} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$

- $2 \rightarrow 1$ and $2 \rightarrow 2$ extensively studied @NNLO
- Great interest in QCD corrections @NNLO for $2 \rightarrow 3$ production

$$pp \rightarrow V + 2j, pp \rightarrow VV' + j, pp \rightarrow H + 2j, pp \rightarrow V + b\bar{b}, pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + j$$
$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + \gamma, pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + W, pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + Z, pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + H, pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma$$

[from Les Houches 2021 wish list]

- Double-virtual corrections is an essential ingredient of NNLO calculations
 \Rightarrow Two-loop five-particle scattering amplitudes

Analytic, algebraic, numeric complexity of scattering amplitudes and Feynman integrals

Rapid growth of complexity with

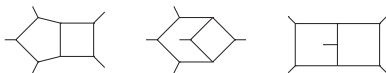
- # loops
- # legs
- # scales (also internal and external masses)

Efficient computational tools for complex multi-scale amplitudes are needed

Huge recent progress in calculation of five-particle two-loop amplitudes and four-particle three-loop amplitudes

Five-particle massless scattering @NNLO

Feynman integrals



[Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti '15] [DCh, Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti, Mitev, Wasser '18]

[Abreu, Page, Zeng '18][Abreu, Dixon, Herrmann, Page, Zeng '18]

[DCh, Gehrmann, Henn, Wasser, Zhang, Zoia '18]

[DCh, Sotnikov '20][Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti '18]

Basis of special functions

gitlab.com/pentagon-functions/
pentagonfunctions.hepforge.org

QCD amplitudes (two-loop, planar and non-planar)

$q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma$ **planar** [Abreu, Page, Pascual, Sotnikov '20][Chawdhry, Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet '20]

$q\bar{q} \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma, qg \rightarrow q\gamma\gamma$ **full color** [Agarwal, Buccioni, von Manteuffel, Tancredi '21]

$gg \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma$ **full color** [Badger, Brönnnum-Hansen, DCh, Gehrmann, Hartanto, Henn, Marcoli, Moodie, Peraro, Zoia '21]

$gg \rightarrow ggg, qg \rightarrow qgg, \dots$ **all planar five-parton** [Abreu, Febres Cordero, Ita, Page, Sotnikov '21]

QCD cross-sections @NNLO leading color

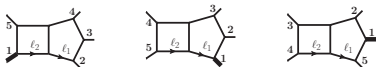
$pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma$ [Chawdhry, Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet '19][Kallweit, Sotnikov, Wiesemann '20]

$pp \rightarrow j\gamma\gamma$ [Chawdhry, Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet '21][Badger, Gehrmann, Marcoli, Moodie '21]

$pp \rightarrow jjj$ [Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet '21][Chen, Gehrmann, Glover, Huss, Marcoli '22]

Planar five-particle one-mass scattering @NNLO

- Feynman integrals



[Abreu, Ita, Moriello, Page, Tschernow, Zeng '20][Canko, Papadopoulos, Syrrakos '20]

[Papadopoulos, Tommasini, Wever '15]

Basis of special functions

[DCh, Sotnikov, Zoia '21]

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- QCD amplitude for electroweak processes @leading color (two-loop, planar)

$$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W^+ b\bar{b}, pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}H$$

[Badger, Hartanto, Zoia '21][Badger,Hartanto,Kryś,Zoia '21]

$$pp \rightarrow W(\rightarrow \ell\nu)\gamma + j$$

[Badger,Hartanto,Kryś,Zoia '22]

$$4p + W \text{ planar: } gg \rightarrow q\bar{q} + W(\rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}), Q\bar{Q} \rightarrow q\bar{q} + W(\rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell})$$

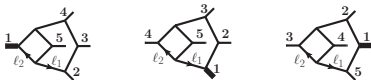
and also planar Z/γ^* [Abreu, Febres Cordero, Ita, Klinkert, Page, Sotnikov '21]

- QCD corrections @NNLO leading color

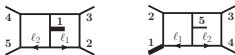
$$pp \rightarrow Wb\bar{b} \text{ [Hartanto, Poncelet, Popescu, Zoia '22]}$$

Non-planar five-particle one-mass scattering @NNLO

Feynman integrals



[Abreu, Ita, Page, Tschernow '21] [Kardos, Papadopoulos, Smirnov, Syrrakos, Wever '22]



Basis of special functions

? QCD amplitudes for electroweak processes

$4p + Z/\gamma^*$ @leading color: two-loop, planar and **nonplanar**

? QCD corrections @NNLO for electroweak production

Finite remainders of amplitudes in the pentagon function basis

$$\mathcal{R} = \sum_a \underbrace{r_a(X)}_{\substack{\text{rational} \\ \text{coefficients} \\ \text{[depend on QFT,} \\ \text{type of scattered} \\ \text{particles and helicities]}}} \underbrace{\text{mon}_a(\mathcal{F})}_{\substack{\text{special} \\ \text{functions} \\ \text{[universal]}}}$$

Basis of special functions $\mathcal{F} := \{f_i^{(w)}(X)\}$ for five-particle scattering

Analytics

- compact expressions
- manifest analytic properties
- analytic cancellation of IR/UV poles
- avoid/control spurious cancellations
- embedded in the most efficient calculation strategies of QCD amplitudes

Numerics

- C++ implementation
- fast
- high precision
- stable across phase space

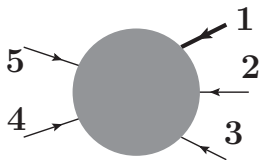
Pentagon function basis is a prerequisite for efficient rational reconstruction of amplitudes

Calculation workflow

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}^{(2)}(X, \epsilon) &= \sum \text{Diagram} \xrightarrow{\text{reduction}} \sum_i \int d^D \ell \frac{\mathcal{N}_i(\ell)}{\prod_j \rho_j(\ell)} \\ &\quad \downarrow \text{IBP} \\ \sum_{w \geq -4} \epsilon^w \sum_a \underbrace{d_{a,w}(X)}_{\text{rational}} \text{mon}_a(\mathcal{F}) &\xleftarrow{\text{to funct basis}} \sum_i \underbrace{c_i(X, \epsilon)}_{\text{rational}} \underbrace{\mathcal{I}_i(X, \epsilon)}_{\text{Master Integrals}} \\ &\quad \downarrow \text{IR/UV subtraction} \\ \mathcal{R}^{(2)}(X) &= \sum_a \underbrace{r_a(X)}_{\text{rational}} \text{mon}_a(\mathcal{F}) \end{aligned}$$

Modular arithmetics \mathbb{F}_p and rational reconstructions [von Manteuffel, Schabinger '14]
[Peraro '16 '19] helps to bypass complexity of intermediate steps

Kinematics of the five-particle one-mass scattering



Four light-like and one massive momenta

$$p_1^2 > 0, \quad p_2^2 = p_3^2 = p_4^2 = p_5^2 = 0, \quad \sum_i p_i = 0$$

Six independent Mandelstam variables $s_{ij} := (p_i + p_j)^2$,

$$X := (p_1^2, s_{12}, s_{23}, s_{34}, s_{45}, s_{15})$$

and a parity-odd invariant

$$4i\epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} p_1^\alpha p_2^\beta p_3^\gamma p_4^\delta = \pm\sqrt{\Delta_5}$$

Eight families of one-mass five-particle two-loop Feynman integrals

Feynman integrals : eight propagators and three ISP

$$I_{\vec{\nu}}(X, \epsilon) = \int \frac{d^D \ell_1}{i\pi^{\frac{D}{2}}} \int \frac{d^D \ell_2}{i\pi^{\frac{D}{2}}} \frac{\rho_9^{-\nu_9} \rho_{10}^{-\nu_{10}} \rho_{11}^{-\nu_{11}}}{\rho_1^{\nu_1} \rho_2^{\nu_2} \dots \rho_8^{\nu_8}}, \quad \begin{array}{l} \nu_1, \nu_2, \dots, \nu_8 \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ \nu_9, \nu_{10}, \nu_{11} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0} \end{array}$$

Laporta algorithm ['00] solves the Integration-by-Part identities (IBP) and finds a finite basis of **Master Integrals**

# MI	74	75	86	86	86	135	142	179
top sector	3	3	3	3	3	3	8	9

Efficient implementation in the finite-field framework **FiniteFlow**, **FIRE6**,

Kira 2.0 [von Manteuffel, Schabinger '14; Peraro '16 '19; Smirnov, Chukharev '19; Klappert, Lange, Maierhöfer, Usovitsch '20]

Polylogarithmic alphabet for all two-loop families of five-particle one-mass integrals

204-letter alphabet

$$\{W_i = W_i(X)\}_{i=1}^{204}$$

is closed under $4!$ permutations $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_4$ of the massless momenta

$$\sigma(d \log(W_i)) \in \langle d \log(W_1), \dots, d \log(W_{204}) \rangle_{\mathbb{Q}}$$

93 letters of the alphabet are linear or quadratic in Mandelstam variables, e.g.

$$W_1 = p_1^2, \quad W_2 = s_{12}, \dots, \quad W_{16} = s_{15} - s_{34}, \dots$$

$$W_{28} = s_{12}s_{15} - p_1^2 s_{34}, \dots, \quad W_{70} = s_{12}s_{15} - s_{12}s_{23} - p_1^2 s_{34}, \dots$$

and the remaining letters are more complicated and involve square roots

$$1 + 3 + 6 = 10 \text{ square roots in the alphabet}$$

Analytic solution of the Master Integrals in terms of the iterated integrals

- DE is a powerful method to solve **Master Integrals** analytically
- DE takes the *canonical form* for a natural choice of **Master Integrals**
[Henn '13]
- **Easy problem:** formally solve DE in terms of the **iterated integrals**, i.e. iterated integrations of the $d \log$ forms

$$[W_{i_1}, \dots, W_{i_w}](X) := \int_{\gamma} [W_{i_1}, \dots, W_{i_{w-1}}] d \log(W_{i_w})$$

along a path γ linking point X and a reference point X_0

- **Difficult problem:** finding the **canonical basis** of **Master Integrals**

Algorithmic construction of the pentagon function basis

- Iterated integrals form Shuffle algebra, and they are graded by the transcendental weight
- Pentagon functions : algebraically independent set of iterated integrals $\mathcal{F} := \{f_i^{(w)}\}$

weight	P \cup PB	HB	DP	Total
1	11	0	0	11
2	25	10	0	35
3	145	72	0	217
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- Series expansion coefficients of the **canonical Master Integrals** in dim reg

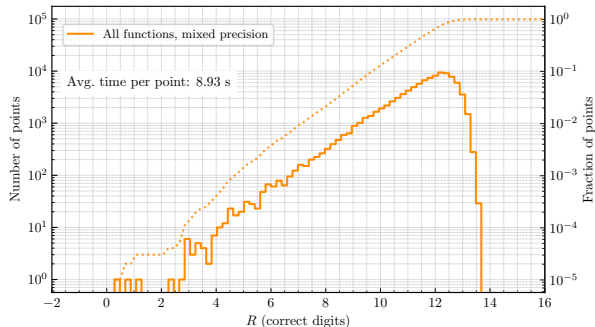
$$\mathbf{g}_\sigma(X, \epsilon) = \sum_{w \geq 0} \epsilon^w \mathbf{g}_\sigma^{(w)}(X), \quad \sigma \in \mathcal{S}_4$$

are pure weight- w functions (linear combinations of iterated integrals)

$$\mathbf{g}_\sigma^{(w)}(X) = \text{weight-}w \text{ polynomial in } \mathcal{F} := \{f_i^{(w)}\}, \zeta_2, \zeta_3$$

Efficient numerical evaluation of the one-mass pentagon functions

Implemented in the public C++ library `PentagonFunctions++` and ready for phenomenological applications



- ✓ Stable
- ✓ Fast
- ✓ Precise

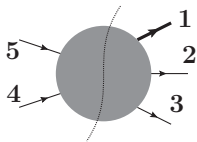
Physical simulation of 10^5 phase-space points evaluated in double precision

$$R(X) := \min_{f \in \mathcal{F}_{\text{planar}}} \left(-\log_{10} \left| \frac{f(X)_{\text{double}}}{f(X)_{\text{exact}}} - 1 \right| \right)$$

Evaluations of planar pentagon functions are much faster, $\approx 0.22s$ per point

Permutations of the Master Integrals vs Analytic continuation

Define pentagon functions $\mathcal{F} := \{f_i^{(w)}\}$ in the region $45 \rightarrow 123$



Master integrals/amplitudes/finite remainders in any scattering region with massive production are expressible in the same basis \mathcal{F} ,

$$\mathbf{g}(\underbrace{X}_{\text{region } \sigma_4 \sigma_5 \rightarrow 1 \sigma_2 \sigma_3}) = \mathbf{g}_\sigma \left(X' := \underbrace{\sigma^{-1} \circ X}_{\text{region } 45 \rightarrow 123} \right)$$

Permutations of the Master Integrals vs Analytic continuation

Difficult!

Easy and Automatized!

Analytically continue from
45 \rightarrow 123 to all scattering \Leftrightarrow Solve DE in 4! permutations
regions

Moreover, the pentagon functions are closed upon permutations

$$\sigma \left(f_i^{(w)} \right) = \text{weight-}w \text{ polynomial in } \mathcal{F} := \{f_i^{(w)}\}, \zeta_2, \zeta_3$$

Finite remainders of amplitudes calculated in the region 45 \rightarrow 123

$$\mathcal{R}(X) = \sum_a r_a(X) \text{mon}_a(\mathcal{F})(X)$$

are automatically transferred to all regions

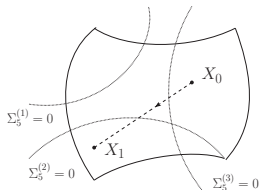
Singularities of the non-planar pentagon functions inside the scattering region

Six square-roots (related by \mathcal{S}_4 permutations)

$$\Sigma_5^{(1)}, \Sigma_5^{(2)}, \dots, \Sigma_5^{(6)}$$

are singular surfaces

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_5^{(1)} := & (s_{12}s_{15} - s_{12}s_{23} - s_{15}s_{45} + s_{34}s_{45} + s_{23}s_{34})^2 \\ & - 4s_{23}s_{34}s_{45}(s_{34} - s_{12} - s_{15}) \end{aligned}$$



Example:

$$\sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Sigma_5^{(3)}}} \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} f^{(2)} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} f^{(3)} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0) \right]$$

pentagon functions $f^{(w)}$ are singular at $\Sigma_5^{(3)} \sim 0$,

$$f^{(2)} \sim -4\pi^2, \quad f^{(3)} \sim 256\pi^2 \log \left(\Sigma_5^{(3)} \right)$$

A subset of the pentagon functions is required for phenomenological applications

- Some alphabet letters drop out from the **amplitudes**

$$\sum_{w=0}^4 \epsilon^{-4+w} \mathcal{A}_{[w]}^{(2)}(X) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

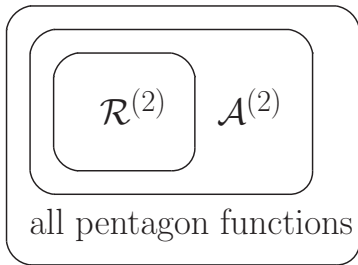
- and further on some more letters drop out from the **finite remainders**

$$\mathcal{R}^{(2)} = \mathcal{A}^{(2)} - \mathbf{I}^{(1)} \mathcal{A}^{(1)} - \mathbf{I}^{(2)} \mathcal{A}^{(0)} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

- We expect that seven square-root letters

$$\Delta_5, \Sigma_5^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma_5^{(6)}$$

are artifacts of dim-reg



Conclusions

Pentagon Functions

- Basis of transcendental functions to describe five-particle scattering
- Transparent analytic properties and efficient numerical implementation
`gitlab.com/pentagon-functions/`
- A tool to facilitate QCD calculations @NNLO
- Successfully applied in numerous calculations

...and more generally, the approach is very efficient for multi-scale processes with many square roots

Backup slides

Differential equations for Master Integrals

- IBP identities provide differential equations for Master Integrals

$$\partial_{s_{12}} I_{\vec{\nu}} = \sum_{\vec{\mu}} \underbrace{d_{\vec{\nu}, \vec{\mu}}(X, \epsilon)}_{\text{rational}} I_{\vec{\mu}} \stackrel{\text{IBP}}{\Rightarrow}_{\text{reduction}} \partial_{s_{12}} \mathcal{I}_i = \sum_j M_{ij}(X, \epsilon) \mathcal{I}_j$$

[Kotikov '91] [Bern,Dixon,Kosower '94] [Remiddi '97] [Gehrmann,Remiddi '00]

- DE is a powerful method to obtain analytic expressions for Master Integrals and to set up their numerical evaluations
- Huge arbitrariness in the choice of Master Integrals

$$\{\mathcal{I}_i\} \sim \{\mathcal{I}'_i \equiv \sum_j T_{ij}(X, \epsilon) \mathcal{I}_j\}$$

Canonical DE and pure basis of Master Integrals

- DE takes the *canonical form* for a natural choice of Master Integrals

[Henn '13]

$$\begin{cases} d\vec{g} = \epsilon M \vec{g} \\ M := \sum_i M_i d \log(W_i) \end{cases}$$

constant matrices \nearrow \nwarrow alphabet letters
 $W_i = W_i(X)$

- Canonical DE is easy to solve

$$\vec{g}(X, \epsilon) = \text{Pexp} \left(\epsilon \int_{\gamma} M \right) \underbrace{\vec{g}(X_0, \epsilon)}_{\text{initial values}}, \quad \text{path } \gamma \text{ links } X_0 \text{ and } X$$

- The difficult task is to find the basis \vec{g}
 - Leading singularity analysis of the integrands
 - Educated guess and semi-numerics

[Arkani-Hamed, Bourjaily, Cachazo, Trnka '10]

$$(\vec{c}_{\text{rnd}} \cdot \nabla_X) \vec{g} \Big|_{X=X_{\text{rnd}}} \stackrel{\text{IBP}}{=} \epsilon \cdot M(X_{\text{rnd}}) \vec{g}$$

Iterated integrals

Iterated integration of the $d\log$ forms along path γ linking points X_0 and X

$$[W_{i_1}, \dots, W_{i_w}](X) := \int_{\gamma} [W_{i_1}, \dots, W_{i_{w-1}}] d\log(W_{i_w})$$

Iterated integrals

- are linear independent

$$[W_{\alpha_1}, \dots, W_{\alpha_w}] = [W_{\beta_1}, \dots, W_{\beta_{w'}}] \Rightarrow w = w', \vec{\alpha} = \vec{\beta}$$

- satisfy the shuffle algebra

$$[W_{\alpha_1}, \dots, W_{\alpha_w}][W_{\beta_1}, \dots, W_{\beta_{w'}}] = \sum_{\vec{\gamma} \in \vec{\alpha} \sqcup \vec{\beta}} [W_{\gamma_1}, \dots, W_{\gamma_{w+w'}}]$$

- graded by the transcendental weight- w

Iterated integral solution of the canonical DE

Expansion coefficients of the Master Integrals in dim reg ϵ parameter

$$\vec{g}(X, \epsilon) = \sum_{w \geq 0} \epsilon^w \vec{g}^{(w)}(X)$$

are pure weight- w function (linear combinations of iterated integrals)

$$\vec{g}^{(w)}(X) = \sum_{0 \leq w' \leq w} \underbrace{[W_{i_1}, W_{i_2}, \dots, W_{i_{w'}}](X)}_{\text{iterated integral}} \underbrace{M_{i_1} M_{i_2} \dots M_{i_{w'}}}_{\text{constant rational matrix}} \underbrace{\vec{g}^{(w-w')}(X_0)}_{\text{transcendental numbers}}$$

For example,

$$\mathbf{g}^{(0)} \in \mathbb{Q},$$

$$\mathbf{g}^{(1)} \sim [W_i] + v^{(1)},$$

$$\mathbf{g}^{(2)} \sim [W_i, W_j] + v^{(1)}[W_k] + v^{(2)}, \dots$$

with transcendental numbers $v^{(1)}, v^{(2)}, \dots$

Algorithmic construction of the pentagon function basis

Solve $4!$ permutations $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_4$ of the Master Integrals, $\mathbf{g}_\sigma(X) := \mathbf{g}(\sigma \circ X)$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} d\vec{\mathbf{g}}_\sigma = \epsilon M_\sigma \vec{\mathbf{g}}_\sigma \\ \vec{\mathbf{g}}_\sigma = \sum_{w \geq 0} \epsilon^w \vec{\mathbf{g}}_\sigma^{(w)} \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} \text{iterated} \\ \text{integral} \\ \Rightarrow \\ \text{solutions} \end{array} \Rightarrow \{\vec{\mathbf{g}}_\sigma^{(w)}\} \begin{array}{l} \text{basis of} \\ \text{irreducible} \\ \Rightarrow \\ \text{iterated} \\ \text{integrals} \end{array} \mathcal{F} := \{f_i^{(w)}\}$$

$$\{f_1^{(w)}, f_2^{(w)}, \dots\} = \begin{array}{l} \text{Linear independent } \{\vec{\mathbf{g}}_\sigma^{(w)}\} \\ \text{modulo products of lower weights } \{f_i^{(w')}\}_{w' < w} \end{array}$$

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All Master Integrals are decomposable in the pentagon function basis

Initial values of the canonical DE and pentagon function basis

- Initial values of the DE have to taken into account
- We choose $X_0 = (1, 3, 2, -2, 7, -2)$ and evaluate $\bar{\mathbf{g}}_\sigma^{(w)}(X_0)$ **numerically** with AMFlow [Liu, Ma '22] with 60-digit precision

- Is it enough for identifying all linear relations among iterated integrals?

$$\mathbf{g}^{(2)} \sim [W_i, W_j] + v^{(1)}[W_k] + v^{(2)}$$

and numbers $v^{(1)}$ and $v^{(2)}$ are evaluated numerically

- Yes! We find **exact** relations among initial values and perform decomposition in the pentagon function basis simultaneously. Recursively in weight w ,

$$\bar{\mathbf{g}}_\sigma^{(w)}(X) = \text{weight-}w \text{ polynomial in } \{f_i^{(w')}\}_{w' \leq w}, \zeta_2, \zeta_3$$

For example,

$$\mathbf{g}^{(2)} = \sum_i a_i f_i^{(2)} + \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} f_i^{(1)} f_j^{(1)} + \tilde{a} \zeta_2 \implies \text{exact } a_i, a_{ij}, \tilde{a} \in \mathbb{Q}$$

From iterated integrals to explicit representation of the pentagon functions

Only pentagon functions $\{f_i^{(w)}\}$ up to weight $w \leq 4$ are required for NNLO

$$\{W_i = W_i(X)\}_{i=1}^{204}$$

No branch cuts in the physical scattering channel $45 \rightarrow 123$

- weight-1 and weight-2: logarithmic and dilogarithmic functions, e.g.

$$f^{(1)}(X) \sim \log(p_1^2), \log(-s_{34}), \dots$$

$$f^{(2)}(X) \sim \text{Li}_2\left(1 - \frac{s_{12}s_{15}}{p_1^2 s_{34}}\right), \dots$$

- weight-3 and weight-4: one-fold integration along a path γ linking X_0 and X

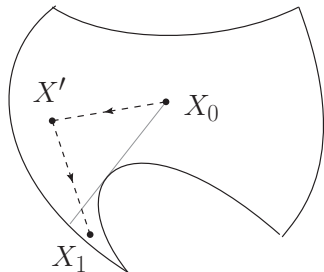
$$f^{(3)}(X) \sim \sum_i \int_{\gamma} h_i^{(2)} d\log(W_i)$$

$$f^{(4)}(X) \sim \sum_i \int_{\gamma} h_{ij}^{(2)} \log(W_j) d\log(W_i)$$

where $h_i^{(2)}$ and $h_{ij}^{(2)}$ are weight-2 polynomial in pentagon functions

Nontrivial geometry of the physical scattering region

The physical scattering region is "curvy" owing to $\Delta_5 < 0$



Integration along polygonal chain
(two segments are sufficient)

$$\gamma = [X_0, X', X_1]$$

The region is **not star-shaped** owing to massive $p_1^2 > 0$: there is no X_0 which "sees" all other phase-space points

Only $\sim 3\%$ of the region is not visible from $X_0 = (1, 3, 2, -2, 7, 2)$

Refinement of the pentagon function basis

Huge arbitrariness in the choice of the pentagon function basis.

We order pentagon functions by their "simplicity":

- planar vs non-planar corrections

planar \prec non-planar

- ordering of the Feynman integral families

PB \prec HB \prec DP

- Some letters of the alphabet could appear only in Feynman integrals but they are irrelevant for physics!

physical letters \prec non-physical letters

- Numerical integration of some one-fold integrals is easier than others

no spurious singularities \prec spurious singularities

Spurious singularities of the planar pentagon functions

- We want to define the pentagon functions unambiguously in the physical region $45 \rightarrow 123$, i.e. no branch cuts
- Then we need to inspect **positivity** of the alphabet letters,

$$f^{(3)}(X) \sim \sum_i \int_{\gamma} h_i^{(2)} d \log(\underbrace{W_i}_{\text{can it vanish?}})$$

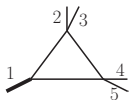
- Twenty letters of the planar alphabet can vanish in the physical region, e.g.

$$W_{72} := s_{12}s_{23} - p_1^2 s_{34} + s_{12}s_{34} \geq 0$$

but the pole in $f^{(3)}$ is always compensated, e.g.

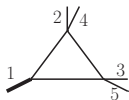
$$h_{72}^{(2)} \Big|_{W_{72}=0} = 0$$

Square roots of the alphabet (Massive Triangles)



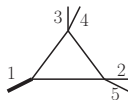
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Delta_3^{(1)}}} \times \text{pure}$$

$$\Delta_3^{(1)} := \lambda(p_1^2, s_{23}, s_{45})$$



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Delta_3^{(2)}}} \times \text{pure}$$

$$\Delta_3^{(2)} := \lambda(p_1^2, s_{24}, s_{35})$$



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Delta_3^{(3)}}} \times \text{pure}$$

$$\Delta_3^{(3)} := \lambda(p_1^2, s_{34}, s_{25})$$

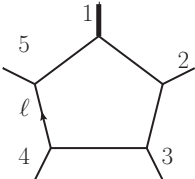
with Källén function $\lambda(a, b, c) := a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2ab - 2ac - 2bc$

Three square roots upon \mathcal{S}_4 permutations

$$\sqrt{\Delta_3^{(1)}}, \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(2)}}, \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(3)}}$$

Square roots of the alphabet (Parity-Odd)

Dimensionally reduced $D = 6 - 2\epsilon \rightarrow D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ one-loop pentagon integral

$$\mathcal{N}(\ell) \otimes \text{Diagram} = \epsilon \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Delta_5}} \times \text{pure} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$


with numerator $\mathcal{N}(\ell) = \ell^2 - (\ell_{D=4})^2$

Quartic polynomial in the Mandelstam variables

$$\Delta_5 := \det ||2p_i \cdot p_j||_{i,j=1}^4$$

is related to the parity of the kinematic configuration

$$4i\epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} p_1^\alpha p_2^\beta p_3^\gamma p_4^\delta = \pm \sqrt{\Delta_5}$$

and invariant upon \mathcal{S}_4 permutations

$$\sigma(\Delta_5) = \Delta_5$$

Odd letters of the five-particle one-mass alphabet

Assign \mathbb{Z}_2 -charge $\{+, -\}$ to each of the ten square roots

$$\sqrt{\Delta_5}, \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(1)}}, \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(2)}}, \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(3)}}, \sqrt{\Sigma_5^{(1)}}, \sqrt{\Sigma_5^{(2)}}, \dots, \sqrt{\Sigma_5^{(6)}}$$

and classify letters according to their $(\mathbb{Z}_2)^{10}$ -charge

[Abreu, Ita, Moriello, Page, Tschernow, Zeng '20] [Abreu, Ita, Page, Tschernow '21]

Alphabet letters with nontrivial charge

	$\frac{a_i - \sqrt{\Delta_5}}{a_i + \sqrt{\Delta_5}}$	$\frac{b_{ik} - \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(i)}}}{b_{ik} + \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(i)}}}$	$\frac{c_{ik} - \sqrt{\Sigma_5^{(i)}}}{c_{ik} + \sqrt{\Sigma_5^{(i)}}}$	$\frac{d_{ik} - \sqrt{\Delta_5} \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(i)}}}{d_{ik} + \sqrt{\Delta_5} \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(i)}}}$	$\frac{e_{ik} - \sqrt{\Delta_5} \sqrt{\Sigma_6^{(i)}}}{e_{ik} + \sqrt{\Delta_5} \sqrt{\Sigma_6^{(i)}}}$
# letter	32	12×3	24×6	1×3	1×6

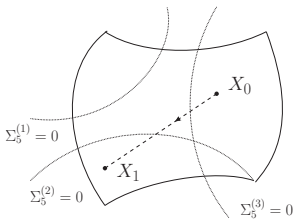
with polynomial a, b, c, d, e in X

Singularities of the non-planar pentagon functions inside the scattering region

Additional spurious surfaces of the nonplanar families: $\Sigma_5^{(i)} \geq 0$ in the scattering region

When the integration path γ crosses $\Sigma_5^{(i)} = 0$ surface

$$\gamma^* \left(\Sigma_5^{(i)} \right) (t) = \mathcal{O}(t - t_0)$$



some of the weight-3 pentagon functions are singular or not smooth,

$$\int_{\gamma} h_i^{(2)} d \log \left(\Sigma_5^{(i)} \right) \sim \int \frac{dt}{t - t_0} \gamma^* \left(h_i^{(2)} \right) (t)$$

depending on the behavior of the weight-2 pentagon functions $h_i^{(2)}$,

$$\Sigma_5^{(3)} : \text{ logarithmic divergence } \int \frac{dt}{t - t_0}$$

$$\text{other five } \Sigma_5^{(i)} : \text{ integrable singularity } \int \frac{dt}{t - t_0} \sqrt{t - t_0}$$

A subset of the pentagon functions is required for phenomenological applications

Observed for two-loop leading color **planar** amplitudes: $W + 4$ partons and planar contributions $Z/\gamma^* + 4$ partons

[Badger, Hartanto, Zoia '21] [Badger, Hartanto, Kryś, Zoia '21] [Abreu, Febres Cordero, Ita, Klinkert, Page, Sotnikov '21]

- Master integrals require 49 letters – penta-box family
- Six letters drop out from the amplitudes $\mathcal{A}_{[w]}^{(2)}$ with $w = 0, 1, \dots, 4$
- Letter $\sqrt{\Delta_5}$ drops out from the finite remainders $\mathcal{R}^{(2)}$

Extremely interesting to inspect nonplanar corrections!

We expect that seven square-root letters

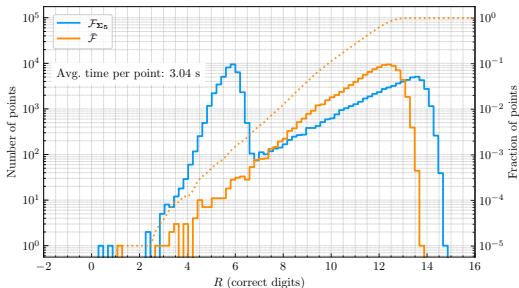
$$\sqrt{\Delta_5}, \Sigma_5^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma_5^{(6)}$$

are NOT required for phenomenological applications (artifacts of dim-reg)

Efficient numerics for the complete set of one-mass pentagon functions

Added in the new version of C++ library `PentagonFunctions++`

[Abreu, DCh, Ita, Page, Sotnikov, Tschernow, Zoia; to appear]



\mathcal{F} – all pentagon functions

$$\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_{\Sigma_5} \cup \overline{\mathcal{F}}$$

\mathcal{F}_{Σ_5} – pentagon functions with letters $\Sigma_5^{(i)}$ (presumably irrelevant for phenomenology)

Also implemented a recovery system with quadruple precision for \mathcal{F}_{Σ_5} with paths crossing $\Sigma_5^{(i)} = 0$

Performance is comparable with that for the planar subset and suits for phenomenology applications!

Available analytic results on one-mass five-particle two-loop Feynman integrals

Penta-boxes

Hexa-boxes

Double-Pentagons



Canonical DE

$$d\vec{g} = \epsilon M \vec{g}$$

[Abreu, Ita, Moriello, Page, Tschernow, Zeng '20]

[Abreu, Ita, Page, Tschernow '21]

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Pentagon Functions

$$\{f_i^{(w)}\}$$

[DCh, Sotnikov, Zoia '21]

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Multiple Polylogs

[Canko, Papadopoulos, Syrrakos '20]

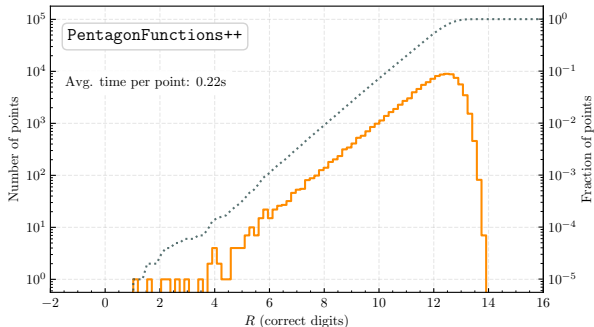
[Kardos, Papadopoulos, Smirnov, Syrrakos, Wever '22]

MPL and one-fold integrals

Efficient numerical evaluation of the planar one-mass pentagon functions

Implemented in the public C++ library `PentagonFunctions++` and ready for phenomenological applications

[DCh, Sotnikov, Zoia '21]



- ✓ Stable
- ✓ Fast
- ✓ Precise

Type	Correct digits	Timing (s)
dbl	12	0.22
quadr	28	159
octpl	60	1695

Calculated in double precision for 10^5 phase-space points

$$R(X) := \min_{f \in \mathcal{F}_{\text{planar}}} \left(-\log_{10} \left| \frac{f(X)_{\text{double}}}{f(X)_{\text{exact}}} - 1 \right| \right)$$