Evaluating multiloop Feynman integrals by dimensional recurrence relations

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[S.G. Gorishny, S.A. Larin, F.V. Tkachov & K.G. Chetyrkin'83, D.I. Kazakov'83]

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$$\mathcal{U} = \sum_{\text{trees } T} \prod_{l \notin T} \alpha_l ,$$

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Dimensional recurrence relation

[O. Tarasov'96] $d \rightarrow d - 2$ $\mathcal{U}^{-d/2} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}^{-(d-2)/2} = \mathcal{U}\mathcal{U}^{-d/2}$ Inserting $\alpha_l \rightarrow (-ia_l)\mathbf{l}^+$

$$F_{\Gamma}(a_1\ldots,a_L;d-2) = \frac{1}{\pi}\sum_T \prod_{l\notin T} a_l \mathbf{l}^+ F_{\Gamma}(a_1\ldots,a_L;d)$$

For $F = A_{6,3}$:

$$\begin{split} F(1,1,1,1,1,1;d-2) &= F(1,1,1,2,2,2;d) + F(1,1,2,1,2,2;d) \\ &+ F(1,1,2,2,1,2;d) + F(1,2,1,2,1,2;d) + F(1,2,1,2,2,1;d) \\ &+ F(1,2,2,1,1,2;d) + F(1,2,2,1,2,1;d) + F(1,2,2,2,1,1;d) \\ &+ F(2,1,1,2,1,2;d) + F(2,1,1,2,2,1;d) + F(2,1,2,1,1,2;d) \\ &+ F(2,1,2,1,2,1;d) + F(2,1,2,2,1,1;d) \end{split}$$

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The integrals with raised indices are reduced to master integrals by IBP relations FIRE [A. Smirnov] and R.Lee's code $A_{6,3}$ is of complexity level 1.

$$A_{6,3}(d-2) = \frac{8(-3+d)(-9+2d)(-7+2d)(-10+3d)}{-16+3d}A_{6,3}(d) + \frac{32(-3+d)(-9+2d)(-7+2d)(-5+2d)(-10+3d)}{(-5+d)(-4+d)^2(-16+3d)} \times (-8+3d)(-32+7d) A_4(d)$$

where

$$A_4(d) = \frac{\Gamma(4 - 3d/2)\Gamma(d/2 - 1)^4}{\Gamma(2d - 4)}$$

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Equation for g:

$$g(d-2) = g(d) + h(d)$$

$$h(d) = \frac{1}{3(d-5)} 1024\pi (32-7d) \sin\left(\frac{\pi d}{2}\right) \sin(\pi d) \cos\left(\frac{1}{6}(3\pi d+\pi)\right) \times \Gamma\left(7-\frac{3d}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2}-2\right)^3$$

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$$r(d) = r_+ (d-2) + r_- (d), \quad r_\pm (d \pm 2k) \stackrel{k \to \infty}{<} a^k, \quad |a| < 1.$$

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MB tools at http://projects.hepforge.org/mbtools/

MB.m [M. Czakon'05] MBresolve.m [A. Smirnov'09] barnesroutines.m [D. Kosower'08] **Result:**

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$$\begin{aligned} A_{6,3}(4-2\epsilon) &= \frac{e^{-3\gamma\epsilon}}{(1-4\epsilon)(1-3\epsilon)(1-2\epsilon)} \Biggl\{ \frac{1}{6\epsilon^3} + \frac{\pi^2}{8\epsilon} - \frac{35\zeta_3}{6} - \frac{77\pi^4\epsilon}{2880} \\ &- \epsilon^2 \Biggl(\frac{49\pi^2\zeta_3}{24} + \frac{651\zeta_5}{10} \Biggr) + \epsilon^3 \Biggl(\frac{1141\zeta_3^2}{12} - \frac{93451\pi^6}{725760} \Biggr) \\ &- \epsilon^4 \Biggl(\frac{713\pi^2\zeta_5}{40} - \frac{511}{320}\pi^4\zeta_3 + \frac{9017\zeta_7}{14} \Biggr) + \epsilon^5 \Biggl(\frac{623}{48}\pi^2\zeta_3^2 \\ &- \frac{544}{9}\zeta_{-6,-2} + \frac{11195\zeta_5\zeta_3}{6} - \frac{2022493\pi^8}{11612160} \Biggr) + O\left(\epsilon^6\right) \Biggr\} \,, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} A_{9,4}(4-2\varepsilon) &= e^{-3\gamma_E\varepsilon} \left\{ -\frac{1}{9\varepsilon^6} - \frac{8}{9\varepsilon^5} + \left[1 + \frac{43\pi^2}{108} \right] \frac{1}{\varepsilon^4} \right. \\ &+ \left[\frac{109\zeta(3)}{9} + \frac{14}{9} + \frac{53\pi^2}{27} \right] \frac{1}{\varepsilon^3} \\ &+ \left[\frac{608\zeta(3)}{9} - 17 - \frac{311\pi^2}{108} - \frac{481\pi^4}{12960} \right] \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \\ &+ \left[-\frac{949\zeta(3)}{9} - \frac{2975\pi^2\zeta(3)}{108} + \frac{3463\zeta(5)}{45} + 84 + \frac{11\pi^2}{18} + \frac{85\pi^4}{108} \right] \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \\ & \text{[P. Baikov, K. Chetyrkin, A. and V. Smirnovs, & M. Steinhauser'09]} \\ & \text{[G. Heinrich, T. Huber, D. Kosower and V. Smirnov'09]} \end{split}$$

$$+ \left[\frac{434\zeta(3)}{9} - \frac{299\pi^2\zeta(3)}{3} - \frac{3115\zeta_3^2}{6} + \frac{7868\zeta(5)}{15} - 339\right]$$
$$+ \frac{77\pi^2}{4} - \frac{2539\pi^4}{2592} - \frac{247613\pi^6}{466560} \left[\text{[R. Lee, A. and V. Smirnovs'10]} \right]$$



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Analytic evaluation of 3-loop master integrals up to transcendentality weight 7:

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$$G_{8}(4-2\epsilon) = \Gamma(1+\epsilon)^{3} \left\{ \left(-\frac{\pi^{4}}{6} + 4\pi^{2} \ln^{2} 2 \right) + \epsilon \left(\frac{2\pi^{4}}{3} - 16\pi^{2} \ln^{2} 2 + \frac{166}{45} \pi^{4} \ln 2 - \frac{208}{9} \pi^{2} \ln^{3} 2 - \frac{32 \ln^{5} 2}{15} + 256a_{5} + \frac{17\pi^{2} \zeta_{3}}{6} - 291 \zeta_{5} \right) + \epsilon^{2} \left(-\frac{14\pi^{4}}{3} + 112\pi^{2} \ln^{2} 2 - \frac{664}{45} \pi^{4} \ln 2 + \frac{832}{9} \pi^{2} \ln^{3} 2 + \frac{128 \ln^{5} 2}{15} - 1024a_{5} - \frac{34\pi^{2} \zeta_{3}}{3} + 1164 \zeta_{5} - \frac{21743\pi^{6}}{11340} - \frac{197}{9} \pi^{4} \ln^{2} 2 + \frac{713}{9} \pi^{2} \ln^{4} 2 + \frac{64 \ln^{6} 2}{9} - 104\pi^{2} a_{4} + 5120a_{6} + 2688s_{6} - 51\pi^{2} \ln 2 \zeta_{3} - 953\zeta_{3}^{2} \right)$$

$$+ \epsilon^{3} \left(\frac{80\pi^{4}}{3} - 640\pi^{2} \ln^{2} 2 + \frac{4648}{45}\pi^{4} \ln 2 - \frac{5824}{9}\pi^{2} \ln^{3} 2 - \frac{896 \ln^{5} 2}{15} + 716 + \frac{238\pi^{2}\zeta_{3}}{3} - 8148\zeta_{5} + \frac{21743\pi^{6}}{2835} + \frac{788}{9}\pi^{4} \ln^{2} 2 - \frac{2852}{9}\pi^{2} \ln^{4} 2 + \frac{256 \ln^{6} 2}{9} + 416\pi^{2} a_{4} - 20480a_{6} - 10752s_{6} + 204\pi^{2} \ln 2 \zeta_{3} + 3812\zeta_{3}^{2} + \frac{4868}{189}\pi^{6} \ln 2 + \frac{8492}{135}\pi^{4} \ln^{3} 2 - \frac{7288}{45}\pi^{2} \ln^{5} 2 - \frac{4864 \ln^{7} 2}{315} + 1776\pi^{2} \ln 2 a_{4} + 1520\pi^{2} a_{5} + 77824a_{7} - \frac{106880}{7} \ln 2 s_{6} + \frac{4003\pi^{4}\zeta_{3}}{21} + \frac{2167}{3}\pi^{2} \ln^{2} 2 \zeta_{3} - \frac{316}{3} \ln^{4} 2 \zeta_{3} - 2528a_{4}\zeta_{3} + \frac{133600}{7} \ln 2 \zeta_{3}^{2} + \frac{875561\pi^{2}\zeta_{5}}{84} + 37200 \ln^{2} 2 \zeta_{5} - \frac{1325727\zeta_{7}}{7} + \frac{106880s_{7,a}}{7} - \frac{161920s_{7,b}}{7} + O\left(\epsilon^{4}\right) \right\}$$

V.A. Smirnov

$$a_{i} = \operatorname{Li}_{i}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right),$$

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The coefficients in the ε -expansion of planar massless propagator diagrams up to five loops should be expressed in terms of multiple zeta values. [Brown'08] For the following three diagrams, every coefficient in the Taylor expansion in ε is a rational linear combination of multiple zeta values and multiple polylogarithms with 6^{th} roots of unity as arguments.





$$\begin{split} M_{4,4} &= (1-2\epsilon)^3 \left(\frac{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)^2 \Gamma(1+\epsilon)}{\Gamma(2-2\epsilon)} \right)^3 \left\{ \frac{441\zeta_7}{8} + \epsilon \left(-216\zeta_3\zeta_5 + \frac{5733\zeta_8}{16} - \frac{81\zeta_{2,6}}{2} \right) \\ &+ \left(-267\zeta_3^3 - 81\zeta_4\zeta_5 - \frac{675\zeta_3\zeta_6}{2} + \frac{4583\zeta_9}{2} \right) \epsilon^2 + \left(-\frac{2403}{2}\zeta_3^2\zeta_4 - \frac{502287\zeta_5^2}{56} - \frac{7731\zeta_3\zeta_7}{56} \right) \\ &+ \frac{1324935\zeta_{10}}{112} + \frac{18441\zeta_{3,7}}{56} \right) \epsilon^3 + \left(-\frac{24315}{2}\zeta_3^2\zeta_5 - \frac{358023\zeta_5\zeta_6}{8} + \frac{139401\zeta_4\zeta_7}{8} \right) \\ &- \frac{59895\zeta_3\zeta_8}{4} + \frac{232767\zeta_2\zeta_9}{4} - \frac{402081\zeta_{11}}{32} - \frac{621}{2}\zeta_3\zeta_{2,6} + \frac{6291}{2}\zeta_{2,1,8} \right) \epsilon^4 \\ &- \left(-6023\zeta_3^4 + 6660\zeta_3\zeta_4\zeta_5 - \frac{650997}{7}\zeta_2\zeta_5^2 + 40507\zeta_3^2\zeta_6 - \frac{1323426}{7}\zeta_2\zeta_3\zeta_7 \right) \\ &+ \frac{1750957\zeta_5\zeta_7}{2} + \frac{964778\zeta_3\zeta_9}{3} - \frac{104287641323\zeta_{12}}{132672} - 2853\zeta_4\zeta_{2,6} + \frac{48222}{7}\zeta_2\zeta_{3,7} \\ &- \frac{190175\zeta_{3,9}}{6} - 10716\zeta_{2,1,1,8} \right) \epsilon^5 + O\left(\epsilon^6\right) \bigg\} \end{split}$$

[R. Lee, A. and V. Smirnovs'11]

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To solve the corresponding homogeneous equation, we have to find k solutions. Our tool: cut-integrals.

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Solving this equation is equivalent to solving the second-order difference equation for

$$F(\nu+2) + C_1(\nu) F(\nu+1) + C_2(\nu) F(\nu) = 0,$$

where C_1 and C_2 can be expressed in terms of $\mathbb{C}(\nu)$.



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$$F_a(d) = \frac{(-1)^a}{\left(i\pi^{d/2}\right)^3} \int \int \int \frac{d^d k \, d^d l \, d^d r}{k^2 r^2 ((l+q)^2)^a (k-l)^2 (l-r)^2 (v \cdot k) (v \cdot r)^2}$$

where a = 1 and 2 and +i0 is implied

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i.e. $1/(k^2 + i0) \rightarrow \delta(k^2)$ and $1/(v \cdot k + i0) \rightarrow \delta(v \cdot k) = \delta(k_0)$ for all the propagators apart from $1/(l+q)^2$ Two identical one-loop subdiagrams consisting of one static and two usual propagators

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$$J(l) = 2^{2-d} \frac{\Omega(d-2)}{\pi^{d/2}} \frac{(-l^2)^{d-4}}{(\mathbf{l}^2)^{(d-3)/2}}$$

where $l^2 = -l_1^2 + \vec{l}^2$, and $\Omega(d) = 2\pi^{d/2}/\Gamma(d/2)$ is the volume of the unit hypersphere in Euclidean *d*-dimensional space.

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Result:

$$\Delta F_{1}(\nu) = \frac{2^{4-4\nu}\Gamma(6-3\nu)}{\Gamma(\nu-1)^{2}\Gamma(8-4\nu,4\nu-\frac{13}{2})} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int dz \frac{\Gamma(-z)\Gamma(z+\frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(z+5-2\nu)} \times \Gamma\left(3\nu-\frac{11}{2}-z\right)\Gamma(z-4\nu+8)\Gamma(z+\nu-1)$$

There are two series of poles from the right of the integration contour and three series of poles from the left:

$$z_1 = n, \quad z_2 = 3\nu - \frac{11}{2} + n,$$
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Let us choose the contribution of the series of residues at $\ensuremath{z_1}$ and $\ensuremath{z_4}$

$$F_{1,h}^{1}(\nu) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}2^{4-4\nu}\Gamma(6-3\nu)\Gamma\left(3\nu-\frac{11}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(5-2\nu)\Gamma(\nu-1)\Gamma\left(4\nu-\frac{13}{2}\right)}$$
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The series converge at Re $\nu < 5/2$. One can represent them as $_4F_3$ convergent uniformly in ν .

Therefore, the matrix of fundamental solutions has the form
$$\mathbb{F}_{h}(\nu) = \begin{pmatrix} F_{1,h}^{1}(\nu) & F_{1,h}^{2}(\nu) \\ F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) & F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ are } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) = \begin{pmatrix} F_{1,h}^{1}(\nu) & F_{1,h}^{2}(\nu) \\ F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) & F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ are } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) = \begin{pmatrix} F_{1,h}^{1}(\nu) & F_{1,h}^{2}(\nu) \\ F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) & F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ are } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ are } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ are } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) + F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ are } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ are } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{ are } F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) \text{ and } F_{2,h}^{2}(\nu) \text{$$

obtained form the first equation of the homogeneous system of equations:

$$F_{2,h}^{1}(\nu) = \frac{F_{1,h}^{1}(\nu+1) - C_{11}(\nu) F_{1,h}^{1}(\nu)}{C_{12}(\nu)},$$

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Construct the summing factor using the fundamental [R. Lee & I.S. Terekhov'11]

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