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Rational terms in two-loop calculations

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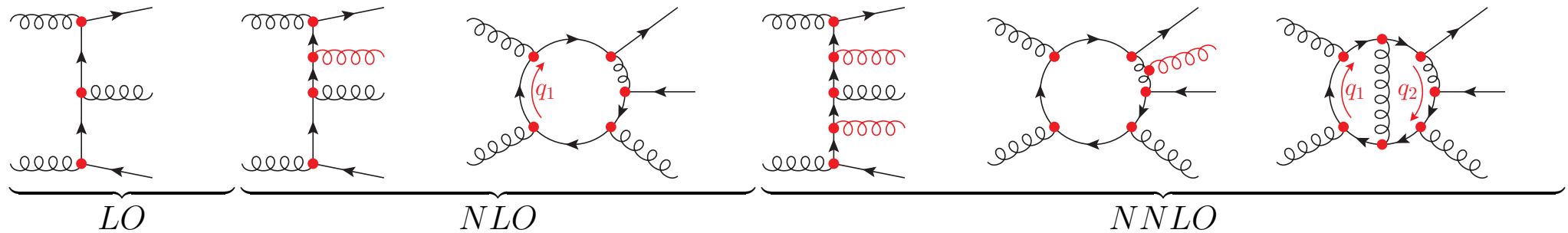
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Motivation: Towards two-loop automation

Example of a full NNLO calculation: $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$



Tree and one-loop contributions fully automated in **OpenLoops 2** [arxiv:1907.13071] for all LHC processes, including real emission → **strong numerical stability and CPU efficiency**

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Challenges for numerical two-loop calculation:

- Numerical amplitude construction → Numerator of Feynman integral in 4 dimensions
- Tensor integral reduction and computation of Master integrals
→ computed in $d = 4 - 2\varepsilon$ dimensions
- Rational terms stemming from discrepancy between Feynman integrands with 4 and d dimensional numerators ⇒ one loop: Rational terms of type R_2 [Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau]
this talk: two-loop rational terms

Rational terms at one loop

Generic one-loop diagram (d-dimensional quantities marked with bar)

$$\bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 = \int d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q})}{\bar{D}_0(\bar{q}) \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}(\bar{q})} = \text{Diagram}$$

(scalar propagators $\bar{D}_i(\bar{q}) = (\bar{q} + p_i)^2 - m_i^2$ with loop momentum \bar{q} , mass m_i and external momentum p_i)

Splitting 4 and $(d - 4)$ dimensional parts of the numerator yields

$$\bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 = \mathcal{A}_1 + \Delta\mathcal{A}_1 \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta\mathcal{A}_1 = \bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 - \mathcal{A}_1 = \int d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}) - \mathcal{N}(q)}{\bar{D}_0(\bar{q}) \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}(\bar{q})},$$

where $\mathcal{N}(q)$ is constructed from 4-dimensional q , γ^μ , $g^{\mu\nu}$ and $\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q})$ from d -dimensional $\bar{q} = q + \tilde{q}$, $\bar{\gamma}^{\bar{\mu}} = \gamma^\mu + \tilde{\gamma}^{\tilde{\mu}}$, $\bar{g}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} = g^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{g}^{\tilde{\mu}\tilde{\nu}}$

Numerator $\tilde{\mathcal{N}} = \bar{\mathcal{N}} - \mathcal{N}$ is of order ε

\Rightarrow only interaction with $\frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ UV poles contributes to finite result [Binoth, Guillet, Heinrich]

$\Rightarrow \Delta\mathcal{A}_1$ is a (finite) rational term, that can be written as a local counterterm

[Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau]

Renormalised amplitude from subtraction of divergencies (R-operation [Caswell, Kennedy])

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 = \bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 + \delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_1} T_{\mathcal{A}_1} \quad (\text{counterterm } \delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_1}, \text{ tree-level structure } T_{\mathcal{A}_1})$$

Rational term can be written as a (local) counterterm $\Delta \mathcal{A}_1 = \delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_1}^{R_2} T_{\mathcal{A}_1}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 = \mathcal{A}_1 + (\delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_1} + \delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_1}^{R_2}) T_{\mathcal{A}_1} =: \mathbf{R}_4 \mathcal{A}_1$$

One-loop diagram \mathcal{A}_1 with 4-dim numerator \Rightarrow suitable for numerical implementation

Generalisation to two loops

Renormalisation procedure: Subtraction of sub-divergencies from one-loop sub-diagrams $\bar{\gamma}$, then of local two-loop divergence:

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 = \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 + \sum_{\bar{\gamma}} (\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}}) \cdot \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 / \bar{\gamma} + \delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_2} T_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_2}$$

We show that a renormalised d -dim two-loop amplitude can be computed as

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 = \mathcal{A}_2 + \sum_{\bar{\gamma}} (\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} + \delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}}^{R_2}) \cdot \mathcal{A}_2 / \gamma + (\delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_2} + \delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_2}^{R_2}) T_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_2} =: \mathbf{R}_4 \mathcal{A}_2.$$

with (extended) one-loop rational terms $\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}}^{R_2}$ and a two-loop rational term $\delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_2}^{R_2}$

\Rightarrow Two and one-loop diagrams \mathcal{A}_2 and \mathcal{A}_2 / γ constructed with 4-dim numerators

Outline

- I. Computation of rational terms from tadpole integrals with one scale
→ Rational terms of one-loop diagrams and sub-diagrams

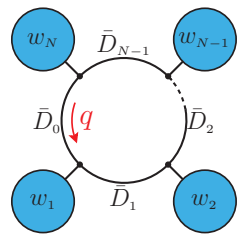
- II. Rational terms of two-loop diagrams
 - without a global divergence

 - with a global divergence

- III. Full set of QED rational terms at two loops


- IV. Summary and Outlook

Rational terms from tadpole integrals: The one-loop case

$$\bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 = \int d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q})}{\bar{D}_0(\bar{q}) \cdots \bar{D}_{N-1}(\bar{q})} = \text{Diagram} \quad \mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 = \bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 + \delta Z_{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_1} T_{\mathcal{A}_1}$$


Define difference between diagram with d -dim and 4-dim numerator: $\Delta \mathcal{A}_1 = \bar{\mathcal{A}}_1 - \mathcal{A}_1$

Use **exact decomposition** of propagator denominators $\bar{D}_i = (\bar{q} + p_i)^2 - m_i^2$ [Chetyrkin, Misiak, Münz]

$$\frac{1}{\bar{D}_i} = \frac{1}{\bar{q}^2 - M^2} + \frac{\Delta_i}{\bar{q}^2 - M^2} \frac{1}{\bar{D}_i}$$


with $\Delta_i = -p_i^2 - 2\bar{q} \cdot p_i + m_i^2 - M^2$ **recursively** up to a fixed order $Z + 1$:

$$\frac{1}{\bar{D}_i} = \sum_{n=0}^Z \frac{(\Delta_i)^n}{(\bar{q}^2 - M^2)^{n+1}} + \frac{(\Delta_i)^{Z+1}}{(\bar{q}^2 - M^2)^{Z+1}} \frac{1}{\bar{D}_i}$$

e.g. for $Z = 2$: 

⇒ Isolate divergencies + rational terms in tadpole integrals with one auxiliary scale M^2

Terms with a negative degree of divergence X (naive power counting) cancel in $\Delta \mathcal{A}_1$.

One-loop example

$D =$ dimension of the loop momenta, metric and γ -matrices in the numerator $\Rightarrow D \in \{4, d\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta\mathcal{A}_1 &= \underbrace{\text{triangle}(D=d) - \text{triangle}(D=4)}_{=0} = \underbrace{\text{triangle}(D=d) - \text{triangle}(D=4)}_{=0} + \underbrace{\text{triangle}(D=d) - \text{triangle}(D=4)}_{=0} \\
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 &= \int d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}) - \mathcal{N}(q)}{(\bar{q}^2 - M^2)^3} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)
 \end{aligned}$$

One-loop rational terms from tadpoles

In general:
$$\Delta\mathcal{A}_1 = \sum_{n=N}^{N+X} \int d\bar{q} \frac{(\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}) - \mathcal{N}(q)) P_n(M^2, p_i^2, \bar{q} \cdot p_j)}{(\bar{q}^2 - M^2)^n}$$
 polynomial P_n from decomposition of denominators

Decompose numerators:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}) P_n(M^2, p_i^2, \bar{q} \cdot p_j) &= \sum_{r=0}^R \bar{\mathcal{N}}_{\bar{\mu}_1 \dots \bar{\mu}_r} \bar{q}^{\bar{\mu}_1} \dots \bar{q}^{\bar{\mu}_r} \\ \mathcal{N}(q) P_n(M^2, p_i^2, \bar{q} \cdot p_j) &= \sum_{r=0}^R \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r} q^{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_r} \end{aligned}$$

using $\bar{q} \cdot p_j = q \cdot p_j$ for external 4-momenta p_j . With $A_{\mu_i} B^{\bar{\mu}_i} = A_{\mu_i} B^{\mu_i}$ for any vectors A, B

$$\Rightarrow \Delta\mathcal{A}_1 = \sum_{n=N}^{N+X} \sum_{r=0}^R (\bar{\mathcal{N}}_{\bar{\mu}_1 \dots \bar{\mu}_r} - \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}) \mathcal{I}_n^{\bar{\mu}_1 \dots \bar{\mu}_r} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{I}_n^{\bar{\mu}_1 \dots \bar{\mu}_r} = \int d\bar{q} \frac{\bar{q}^{\bar{\mu}_1} \dots \bar{q}^{\bar{\mu}_r}}{(\bar{q}^2 - M^2)^n}$$

- Generic method to compute $\Delta\mathcal{A}_1$ **from tadpole integrals** with one (auxiliary) scale M^2 .
- Result independent of M^2 since the denominator decomposition is exact and only terms which cancel in $\Delta\mathcal{A}_1$ are discarded.
- Dependence on external momenta and masses resides only in $\bar{\mathcal{N}}_{\bar{\mu}_1 \dots \bar{\mu}_r}$ and $\mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}$
 $\Rightarrow \Delta\mathcal{A}_1$ **is a rational term**

One-loop sub-diagrams in two-loop diagrams

One loop: All external momenta in 4 dimensions

Two loop: External momentum to a **sub-diagram** $\bar{\gamma}$ can be d -dim loop momentum \bar{q}_1

- Decomposition of d -dim denominators yields

$$\frac{1}{(\bar{q}_1 + \bar{q}_2)^2 - m^2} = \frac{1}{\bar{q}_2^2 - M^2} + \frac{-\bar{q}_1^2 - 2\bar{q}_1 \cdot \bar{q}_2 + m^2 - M^2}{\bar{q}_2^2 - M^2} \frac{1}{(\bar{q}_1 + \bar{q}_2)^2 - m^2}$$

$\Rightarrow \int d\bar{q}_2 \left[\mathcal{N}(q_2, q_1) P_n(\bar{q}_1^2, \bar{q}_1 \bar{q}_2) \right] / (\bar{q}_2^2 - M^2)^n$ has terms $\propto q_1^2$ (from \mathcal{N} construction in 4-dim),
 $\propto \bar{q}_1^2$ (from denominator decomposition)

- Difference of d -dim and 4-dim tensor structures $\bar{t}^{\bar{\alpha}}(\bar{q}_1) - t^{\alpha}(q_1)$ multiplied by one-loop UV counterterm $\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}}$ not negligible due to insertion into a loop diagram

Extended one-loop rational term for one-loop sub-diagram $\bar{\gamma}$ with external indices $\alpha = (\alpha_1 \alpha_2)$:

$$(\Delta\gamma)^{\alpha} := \left[\bar{\gamma}^{\bar{\alpha}} - \gamma^{\alpha} + \left(\bar{t}^{\bar{\alpha}} - t^{\alpha} \right) \delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} \right]_{\bar{\alpha} \rightarrow \alpha}$$

This has the structure $\Delta\gamma = R_2(\gamma) + \frac{\Delta R_2(\gamma)}{\varepsilon}$ with the well-known one-loop $R_2(\gamma)$.

Additional rational term $\Delta R_2(\gamma) \propto \tilde{q}_1^2$ **with** $\tilde{q}_1 = \bar{q}_1 - q_1$ **requires superficial degree of divergence** ≥ 2 in sub-diagram (e.g. gauge boson self-energy).

Example: One-loop self-energy of the photon

One-loop amplitude in d and 4 dimensions from denominator decomposition and tadpole method:

$$\bar{\gamma}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} = \int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\bar{\mathcal{N}}_{sub}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2)}{\bar{D}_0^{(2)}(\bar{q}_2)\bar{D}_0^{(3)}(\bar{q}_1 + \bar{q}_2)} = \frac{ie^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\frac{-(4-2\varepsilon)\bar{q}_1^2}{3\varepsilon} g^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} + \frac{4}{3\varepsilon} \bar{q}_1^{\bar{\mu}} \bar{q}_1^{\bar{\nu}} + C_{finite}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} \right),$$

$$\gamma^{\mu\nu} = \int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\mathcal{N}_{sub}^{\mu\nu}(q_1, q_2)}{\bar{D}_0^{(2)}(\bar{q}_2)\bar{D}_0^{(3)}(\bar{q}_1 + \bar{q}_2)} = \frac{ie^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\frac{-4q^2 - 2\tilde{q}_1^2}{3\varepsilon} g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{4}{3\varepsilon} q_1^\mu q_1^\nu + C_{finite}^{\mu\nu} \right),$$

where the constant parts $C_{finite}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} - C_{finite}^{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$.

For the difference of the UV counterterms

$$\left(\bar{t}^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} - t^{\mu\nu} \right) \delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} = \left[\left(\bar{q}_1^{\bar{\mu}} \bar{q}_1^{\bar{\nu}} - q_1^\mu q_1^\nu \right) - \left(\bar{q}_1^2 g^{\bar{\mu}\bar{\nu}} - q_1^2 g^{\mu\nu} \right) \right] \frac{ie^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\frac{-4}{3\varepsilon} \right) \propto \frac{\tilde{q}_1^2}{\varepsilon} g^{\mu\nu} \quad \text{for } \bar{\mu} \rightarrow \mu, \bar{\nu} \rightarrow \nu$$

This yield the **extended rational term**

$$(\Delta\gamma)^{\mu\nu} = \left[\left(\begin{array}{c} \bar{q}_1 \quad q_1 \\ \text{Diagram 1} \\ \bar{q}_1 \quad q_1 \end{array} \right) + \left(\begin{array}{c} \bar{q}_1 \quad q_1 \\ \text{Diagram 2} \\ \bar{q}_1 \quad q_1 \end{array} \right) \delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} \right]_{\substack{\bar{\mu} \rightarrow \mu \\ \bar{\nu} \rightarrow \nu}} = \frac{ie^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\underbrace{q_1^2 \frac{2}{3}}_{\text{known } R_2} + \underbrace{\tilde{q}_1^2 \frac{2}{3\varepsilon}}_{\text{new } \Delta R_2(\gamma)/\varepsilon} \right) g^{\mu\nu}$$

Two-loop diagrams

Generic irreducible two-loop diagram consists of three chains and two connecting vertices V_0, V_1 :

$$\bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 = \int d\bar{q}_1 \int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\bar{\mathcal{N}}_1^{\bar{\alpha}_1}(\bar{q}_1) \bar{\mathcal{N}}_2^{\bar{\alpha}_2}(\bar{q}_2) \bar{\mathcal{N}}_3^{\bar{\alpha}_3}(\bar{q}_3) \Gamma_{\bar{\alpha}_1 \bar{\alpha}_2 \bar{\alpha}_3}^{V_0 V_1}}{\left[\prod_{i_1=0}^{N_1} \bar{D}_{i_1}^{(1)}(\bar{q}_1) \right] \left[\prod_{i_2=0}^{N_2} \bar{D}_{i_2}^{(2)}(\bar{q}_2) \right] \left[\prod_{i_3=0}^{N_3} \bar{D}_{i_3}^{(3)}(\bar{q}_3) \right]}$$

with $\bar{q}_3 = -(\bar{q}_1 + \bar{q}_2)$

Renormalised diagram in d dimensions
(what we need)

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 = \underbrace{\bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 + \sum_{\bar{\gamma}} (\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}}) \cdot \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 / \bar{\gamma}}_{=:\bar{\mathbf{R}} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2} + \delta Z \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2$$

Splitting in pieces with 4-dim numerators
(what we can implement in OpenLoops)

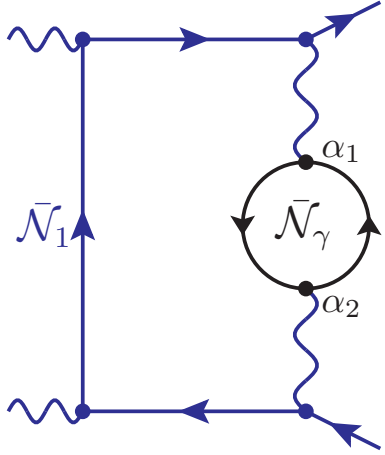
$\Delta\gamma$: one-loop rational term insertion

$$\mathbf{R} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 = \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_2 + \sum_{\bar{\gamma}} (\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} + \Delta\gamma) \cdot \mathcal{A}_2 / \bar{\gamma}}_{=:\bar{\mathbf{R}}_4 \mathcal{A}_2} + \delta Z \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 + \Delta \mathcal{A}_2$$

Our task: Compute $\Delta \mathcal{A}_2 = \bar{\mathbf{R}} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 - \bar{\mathbf{R}}_4 \mathcal{A}_2$ and show that it is rational.

The case with no global but one subdivergence

Use factorisation and split sub-diagram (chains 2+3) and rest (chain 1) into d-dim and 4-dim parts:



$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{R}} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 &= \int d\bar{q}_1 \underbrace{\frac{\mathcal{N}_{1\alpha}(q_1) + \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_{1\bar{\alpha}}(\bar{q}_1)}{\bar{D}_0^{(1)} \dots \bar{D}_{N_1}^{(1)}}}_{\text{no divergence}} \left[\underbrace{\int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\bar{\mathcal{N}}_{\gamma}^{\bar{\alpha}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2)}{\bar{D}_0^{(2)} \dots \bar{D}_{N_2}^{(2)} \bar{D}_0^{(3)} \dots \bar{D}_{N_3}^{(3)}}}_{\text{finite} \rightarrow \text{discard } \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_{1\bar{\alpha}}} + t^{\bar{\alpha}} \delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} \right] \\ &= \int d\bar{q}_1 \frac{\mathcal{N}_{1\alpha}(q_1)}{\bar{D}_0^{(1)} \dots \bar{D}_{N_1}^{(1)}} \left[\int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\gamma}^{\alpha}(q_1, q_2)}{\bar{D}_0^{(2)} \dots \bar{D}_{N_3}^{(3)}} + t^{\alpha} \delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} + (\Delta\gamma)^{\alpha} \right] + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{\alpha} = (\bar{\alpha}_1 \bar{\alpha}_2)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{N}} = \bar{\mathcal{N}} - \mathcal{N}$$

$\bar{\alpha} = d\text{-dim index}$

$\alpha = 4\text{-dim index}$

$t^{\alpha} = \text{tensor, e.g.}$

$$q_1^{\alpha_1} q_1^{\alpha_2} - q_1^2 g^{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}$$

$$\text{with } (\Delta\gamma)^{\alpha} = \int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{N}}_{\gamma}^{\alpha}(q_1, q_2)}{\bar{D}_0^{(2)} \dots \bar{D}_{N_3}^{(3)}} + (t^{\bar{\alpha}} - t^{\alpha}) \delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} = R_2(\gamma) + \frac{\Delta R_2(\gamma)}{\varepsilon}$$

Diagram can be computed with 4-dim numerators:

$$\bar{\mathbf{R}} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 = \mathcal{A}_2 + \mathcal{A}_2/\gamma (\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} + \Delta\gamma) =: \bar{\mathbf{R}}_4 \mathcal{A}_2$$

- **No two-loop rational term, i.e. $\Delta\mathcal{A}_2 = 0$**
- One-loop rational terms $R_2(\gamma)$ needed only to order ε^0
- Additional \tilde{q}_1^2 term only in one-loop integrals \rightarrow need to be computed

The case with a global divergence

- Define **for each chain** $i = 1, 2, 3$ the **maximum degree of divergence** of the full diagram ($X \leq 0$) and any sub-diagram constructed from chains $i, j \neq i$ (degree of sub-divergence X_{ij}):

$$Z_1 = \text{Max}(X, X_{12}, X_{13}), \quad Z_2 = \text{Max}(X, X_{12}, X_{23}), \quad Z_3 = \text{Max}(X, X_{23}, X_{13})$$

- Use **exact decomposition of propagator denominators** on each chain i up to order $Z_i + 1$:

$$\frac{1}{D_0^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i) \cdots D_{N_i}^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i)} = \left[\mathbf{S}_{Z_i}^{(i)} + \mathbf{F}_{Z_i}^{(i)} \right] \frac{1}{D_0^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i) \cdots D_{N_i}^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i)},$$

with $\mathbf{S}_{Z_i}^{(i)}$ selecting all terms contributing to a (sub-)divergence,

$$\mathbf{S}_Z^{(i)} \frac{1}{D_0^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i) \cdots D_{N_i}^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i)} = \sum_{n=0}^{Z_i} \frac{P_n^{(i)}(\bar{q}_i, p_j^{(i)})}{(\bar{q}_i^2 - M^2)^{N+1+n}} \quad \leftarrow \text{tadpoles with scale } M^2$$

and $\mathbf{F}_{Z_i}^{(i)}$ selecting all other terms, especially those with at least one original propagator $D_j^{(i)}$

- In particular, terms selected by $\mathbf{F}_{Z_i}^{(i)}$ have **no global divergence** \Rightarrow **Apply previous case!**

The case with a global divergence

Exact decomposition \Rightarrow isolate divergent parts \Rightarrow Discard terms which cancel from calculation:

$$\Delta\mathcal{A}_2 = \left(\mathbf{S}_{Z_1}^{(1)} + \mathbf{F}_{Z_1}^{(1)} \right) \left(\mathbf{S}_{Z_2}^{(2)} + \mathbf{F}_{Z_2}^{(2)} \right) \left(\mathbf{S}_{Z_3}^{(3)} + \mathbf{F}_{Z_3}^{(3)} \right) \Delta\mathcal{A}_2 = \Delta\mathcal{A}_{2,\text{rat}} + \sum_{i=1}^3 \Delta\mathcal{A}_{2,\text{sub}}^{(i)} + \Delta\mathcal{A}_{2,\text{fin}},$$

$$\text{with } \Delta\mathcal{A}_{2,\text{rat}} = \mathbf{S}_{Z_1}^{(1)} \mathbf{S}_{Z_2}^{(2)} \mathbf{S}_{Z_3}^{(3)} \Delta\mathcal{A}_2,$$

\leftarrow only one-scale tadpoles

$$\Delta\mathcal{A}_{2,\text{sub}}^{(i)} = \mathbf{F}_{Z_i}^{(i)} \mathbf{S}_{Z_j}^{(j)} \mathbf{S}_{Z_k}^{(k)} \Delta\mathcal{A}_2,$$

\leftarrow no global divergence, at most one sub-divergence $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$

$$\Delta\mathcal{A}_{2,\text{fin}} = \mathbf{F}_{Z_1}^{(1)} \mathbf{F}_{Z_2}^{(2)} \mathbf{F}_{Z_3}^{(3)} \Delta\mathcal{A}_2$$

\leftarrow no global or sub-divergence $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$

$$+ \sum_{i=1}^3 \mathbf{S}_{Z_i}^{(i)} \mathbf{F}_{Z_j}^{(j)} \mathbf{F}_{Z_k}^{(k)} \Delta\mathcal{A}_2.$$

$\Rightarrow \Delta\mathcal{A} = \Delta\mathcal{A}_{2,\text{rat}}$ **is rational!** Compute as in one-loop case from

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\mathcal{A}_2 &= \sum_{n_i=N_i+1}^{N_i+1+Z_i} \int d\bar{q}_1 \int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{(\bar{\mathcal{N}}(\bar{q}_1, \bar{q}_2) - \mathcal{N}(q_1, q_2)) \mathbf{P}_{n_1 n_2 n_3}(M^2, p_i^2, q_i \cdot p_j)}{(\bar{q}_1^2 - M^2)^{n_1} (\bar{q}_2^2 - M^2)^{n_2} (\bar{q}_3^2 - M^2)^{n_3}} \\ &= \sum_{n_i=N_i+1}^{N_i+1+Z_i} \sum_{r=0}^R \sum_{s=0}^S (\bar{\mathcal{N}}_{\bar{\mu}_1 \dots \bar{\mu}_r \bar{\nu}_1 \dots \bar{\nu}_s} - \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r \nu_1 \dots \nu_s}) \mathcal{I}_{n_1 n_2 n_3}^{\bar{\mu}_1 \dots \bar{\mu}_r \bar{\nu}_1 \dots \bar{\nu}_s} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{with } \mathcal{I}_{n_1 n_2 n_3}^{\bar{\mu}_1 \dots \bar{\mu}_r \bar{\nu}_1 \dots \bar{\nu}_s} = \int d\bar{q}_1 \int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\bar{q}_1^{\bar{\mu}_1} \dots \bar{q}_1^{\bar{\mu}_r} \bar{q}_2^{\bar{\nu}_1} \dots \bar{q}_2^{\bar{\nu}_s}}{(\bar{q}_1^2 - M^2)^{n_1} (\bar{q}_2^2 - M^2)^{n_2} (\bar{q}_3^2 - M^2)^{n_3}}$$

Example: QED vertex correction

Let $D \in \{4, d\}$ be the numerator dimension. Decomposing chain 1 (with external fermion line):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta \mathcal{A}_2 &= \left(\text{diagram } D=d \text{ with black lines} + \text{diagram } D=d \text{ with black lines} \times \delta Z_\gamma \right) - \left(\text{diagram } D=4 \text{ with black lines} + \text{diagram } D=4 \text{ with black lines} \times (\delta Z_\gamma + \Delta\gamma) \right) \\
 &= \left(\text{diagram } D=d \text{ with red lines} + \text{diagram } D=d \text{ with red lines} \times \delta Z_\gamma \right) - \left(\text{diagram } D=4 \text{ with red lines} + \text{diagram } D=4 \text{ with red lines} \times (\delta Z_\gamma + \Delta\gamma) \right) \\
 &+ \underbrace{\left(\text{diagram } D=d \text{ with black lines} + \text{diagram } D=d \text{ with black lines} \times \delta Z_\gamma \right) - \left(\text{diagram } D=4 \text{ with black lines} + \text{diagram } D=4 \text{ with black lines} \times (\delta Z_\gamma + \Delta\gamma) \right)}_{=0 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \text{ (case without global divergence)}} \\
 &+ \underbrace{\text{more terms with original propagator denominators along outer chain}}_{=0 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \text{ (case without global divergence)}}
 \end{aligned}$$

black lines: original propagators $\bar{D}_j^{(i)}$; red lines: factors in denominator decomposition $\propto (\bar{q}_i^2 - M^2)$.

Example: QED vertex correction

Decomposing chains 2,3 (photon self-energy sub-diagram):

$$\Delta\mathcal{A}_2 = \left(\begin{array}{c}
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 \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} + \text{Diagram 4} + \text{Diagram 5} \\
 + \text{Diagram 6} + \text{Diagram 7} \times \delta Z_\gamma
 \end{array} \right)}_{=0 \text{ (case without global divergence)}} - \left(\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Diagram 8} + \text{Diagram 9} + \text{Diagram 10} \\
 + \text{Diagram 11} + \text{Diagram 12} \\
 + \text{Diagram 13} + \text{Diagram 14} \times (\delta Z_\gamma + \Delta\gamma)
 \end{array} \right) \\
 + \underbrace{\left(\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Diagram 15} - \text{Diagram 16} + \text{Diagram 17} - \text{Diagram 18} + \dots \\
 =0
 \end{array} \right)}_{=0 \text{ (case without global divergence)}}
 \end{array} \right)$$

The diagrams are Feynman diagrams for a vertex correction in QED. They consist of a fermion loop (red lines) with a photon line (wavy red line) attached to the loop. The diagrams are arranged in a grid, with some diagrams crossed out or multiplied by a factor. The diagrams are labeled with their dimensionality D (e.g., $D=d$, $D=4$) and some are multiplied by δZ_γ or $(\delta Z_\gamma + \Delta\gamma)$. The diagrams are grouped into three main sections, each with a bracket underneath indicating that the sum of diagrams in that section is zero in the case without global divergence.

Only massive tadpoles contribute to difference $\Delta\mathcal{A}_2$.

Rational terms for QED in \overline{MS} scheme ($\xi = 0, m = 0$)

Calculation in the GEXCOM [Chetyrkin, M.Z.] framework: QGRAF [Nogueira] \rightarrow Q2E+EXP

[Seidesticker, Harlander, Steinhauser] \rightarrow FORM [Vermaseren] code \rightarrow MATAD [Steinhauser]



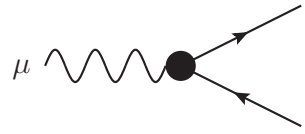
$$\Delta A_{1,e} = \frac{ie^2}{16\pi^2} [-1] \not{p},$$

$$\Delta A_{2,e} = \frac{ie^4}{(16\pi^2)^2} \left[\frac{19}{18\epsilon} + \frac{247}{108} \right] \not{p}$$



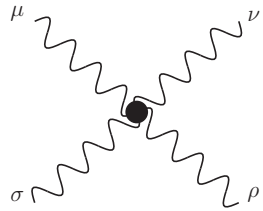
$$\Delta A_{1,\gamma}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{ie^2}{16\pi^2} \left[\frac{2}{3} p^2 + \frac{2}{3\epsilon} \tilde{p}^2 \right] g^{\mu\nu},$$

$$\Delta A_{2,\gamma}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{ie^4}{(16\pi^2)^2} \left[(p^\mu p^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} p^2) \left(\frac{2}{3\epsilon} - \frac{71}{18} \right) + g^{\mu\nu} p^2 \left(-\frac{11}{12} \right) \right]$$



$$\Delta A_{1,ee\gamma}^\mu = \frac{ie^3}{16\pi^2} [-2] \gamma^\mu,$$

$$\Delta A_{2,ee\gamma}^\nu = \frac{ie^5}{(16\pi^2)^2} \left[\frac{13}{9\epsilon} + \frac{191}{27} \right] \gamma^\mu$$



$$\Delta A_{1,4\gamma}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = \frac{ie^4}{16\pi^2} \left[\frac{4}{3} \right] t^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma},$$

$$\Delta A_{2,4\gamma}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = \frac{ie^6}{(16\pi^2)^2} [-3] t^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$$

with $t^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} + g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma} + g^{\mu\sigma} g^{\nu\rho}$

- $\Delta \mathcal{A}_l$ are polynomial in p and independent of $M^2 \Rightarrow$ Rational terms
- One-loop rational term for photon self-energy extended with term $\propto \tilde{p}^2/\epsilon$
- Full dependence on ξ and electron mass m in upcoming paper

Summary and Outlook

- Renormalised diagrams in d -dimensions can be split into objects with 4-dimensional numerators:

$$\bar{\mathbf{R}} \bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 = \left(\mathcal{A}_2 + \sum_{\gamma} (\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}} + \Delta\gamma) \cdot \mathcal{A}_2 / \gamma \right) + \Delta\mathcal{A}_2$$

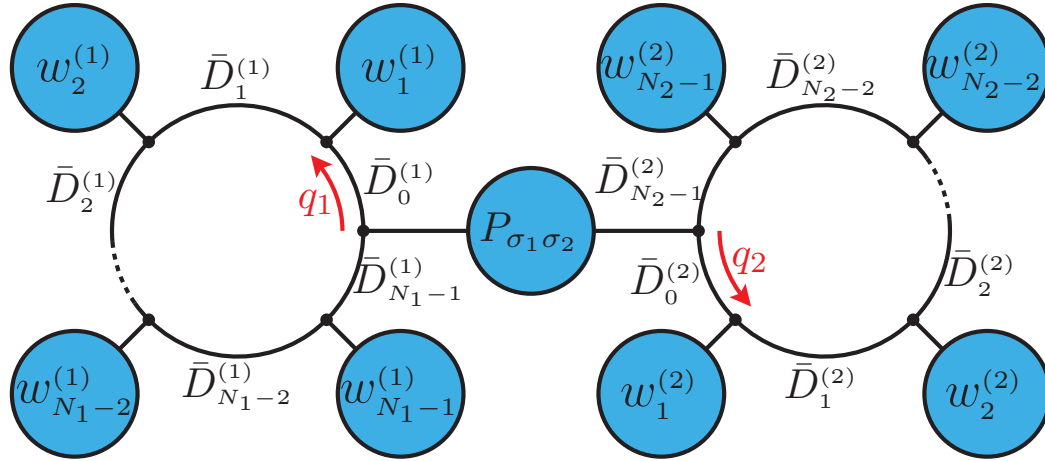
with (extended) one-loop rational terms $\Delta\gamma$ and a two-loop rational term $\Delta\mathcal{A}_2$.

⇒ **Numerical implementation in automated tools, e.g. OpenLoops, possible**

- We present a **generic method to compute** $\Delta\mathcal{A}_l$ from tadpoles with one auxiliary scale M^2 , which also serves as a **proof that $\Delta\mathcal{A}_l$ is rational**
- Full set of QED rational terms at two-loop level
- Further tasks:
 - Compute necessary one-loop integrals involving \tilde{q}^2 to order ε
 - Implementation in OpenLoops

Backup

Reducible two-loop diagrams



The one-loop procedure is directly applicable for reducible two-loop diagrams (two one-loop diagrams connected by a bridge P) due to the factorisation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{R}\bar{\mathcal{A}}_2 &= \mathbf{R} \left[\int d\bar{q}_1 \frac{\text{Tr}[\bar{\mathcal{N}}^{(1)}(\bar{q}_1)]^{\sigma_1}}{\bar{D}_0^{(1)}(\bar{q}_1) \cdots \bar{D}_{N_1}^{(1)}(\bar{q}_1)} \right] P_{\sigma_1 \sigma_2} \mathbf{R} \left[\int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\text{Tr}[\bar{\mathcal{N}}^{(2)}(\bar{q}_2)]^{\sigma_2}}{\bar{D}_0^{(2)}(\bar{q}_2) \cdots \bar{D}_{N_2}^{(2)}(\bar{q}_2)} \right] \\
 &= \mathbf{R}_4 \left[\int d\bar{q}_1 \frac{\text{Tr}[\mathcal{N}^{(1)}(q_1)]^{\sigma_1}}{\bar{D}_0^{(1)}(\bar{q}_1) \cdots \bar{D}_{N_1}^{(1)}(\bar{q}_1)} \right] P_{\sigma_1 \sigma_2} \mathbf{R}_4 \left[\int d\bar{q}_2 \frac{\text{Tr}[\mathcal{N}^{(2)}(q_2)]^{\sigma_2}}{\bar{D}_0^{(2)}(\bar{q}_2) \cdots \bar{D}_{N_2}^{(2)}(\bar{q}_2)} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

and the fact that both terms $\mathbf{R}[\dots]$ are finite.

Example with two sub-divergences

γ_1 : upper photon-fermion loop; γ_2 : lower photon-fermion loop.

Contributions with one original propagator $\bar{D}_j^{(i)}$ (black) in sub-diagram $\bar{\gamma}_2$:

$$0 = \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Diagram 1: } D=d \text{ loops} \\ \text{Diagram 2: } D=d \text{ loop with } \delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}_1} \\ \text{Diagram 3: } D=4 \text{ loops} \\ \text{Diagram 4: } D=4 \text{ loops with } (\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}_1} + \Delta\gamma_1) \end{array} \right),$$

Example with two sub-divergences

Contributions with one original propagator $\bar{D}_j^{(i)}$ (black) in sub-diagram $\bar{\gamma}_2$:

$$0 = \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Four diagrams with } D=d \text{ and } \delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}_2} \\ \text{Two diagrams with } D=4 \text{ and } (\delta Z_{\bar{\gamma}_2} + \Delta\gamma_2) \end{array} \right),$$

Contributions with one original propagator $\bar{D}_j^{(i)}$ (black) in both sub-diagrams $\bar{\gamma}_1, \bar{\gamma}_2$:

$$0 = \text{Diagram with } D=d \text{ and } \bar{D}_j^{(i)} - \text{Diagram with } D=4 \text{ and } \bar{D}_j^{(i)}$$