

# A Bestiary of Feynman Integral Calabi-Yau Geometries in Weighted Projective Space

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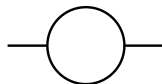


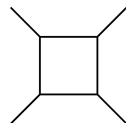
What numbers and functions occur in QFT?

What identities do they satisfy?

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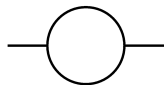
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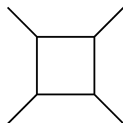

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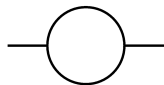
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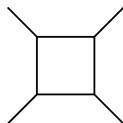
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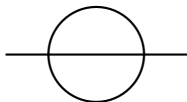
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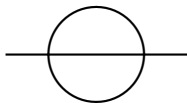
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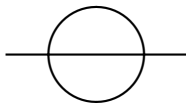


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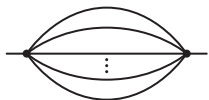
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$$\mathcal{E}_{c_1 \dots c_k}^{(n_1 \dots n_k)}(x) = \int_0^x dt \Psi_{m_1}(c_1, t) \mathcal{E}_{c_2 \dots c_k}^{(n_2 \dots n_k)}(t), \quad \Psi_{-1}(c, x) = \frac{y_c}{y(x-c)} + \dots$$

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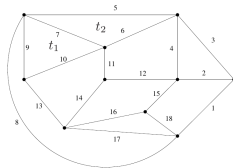
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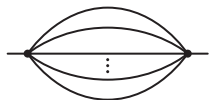
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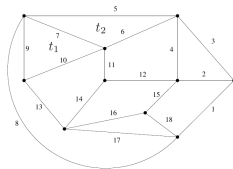
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## Questions:

- Further examples?
- What Calabi-Yau manifolds?
- How bad can it be (at given  $L, D$ )?

# Down the rabbit hole

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$\deg_{x_i} P(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}) \geq 3$  for all  $i \Rightarrow$  No integration possible within MPLs

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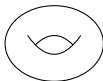
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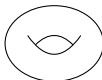
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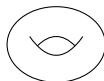
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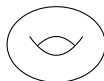
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Both cases studied in string theory! Which Calabi-Yaus?



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Feynman integral in  $D$  dimensions with  $L$  loops,  $E$  internal (unit) propagators and trivial numerators:

$$I = \int_{x_i \geq 0} [d^{E-1} x_i] \frac{\mathcal{U}^{E-(L+1)D/2}}{\mathfrak{F}^{E-LD/2}}$$

where

$$\mathcal{U} = \sum_{\{T\} \in \mathfrak{T}_1} \prod_{e_i \notin T} x_i, \quad \mathfrak{F} = \mathcal{U} \sum_{e_i} x_i m_i^2 + \sum_{\{T_1, T_2\} \in \mathfrak{T}_2} s_{T_1, T_2} \prod_{e_i \notin T_1 \cup T_2} x_i$$

$\mathfrak{T}_k$ : set of spanning  $k$ -forests of the graph

$m_i$ : mass of propagator  $i$

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  - compatible with  $D$ -gon power counting
  - compatible with maximal weight
  - avoid dimensional regularization if finite
  - $D = 2$ : banana integrals (and their decorations with tadpoles)
  - $D = 4$ : one-loop box and many more!

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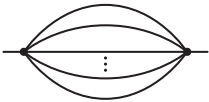
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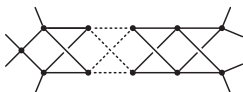
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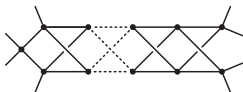
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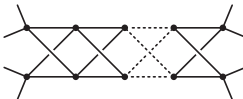
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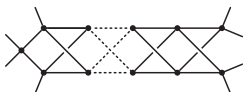
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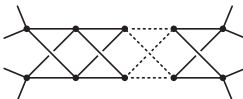
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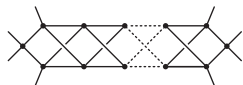
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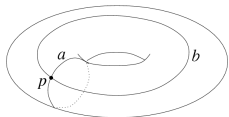


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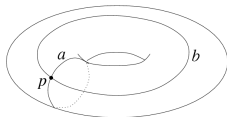
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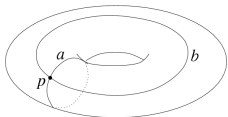
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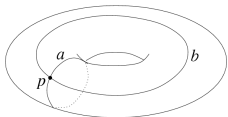
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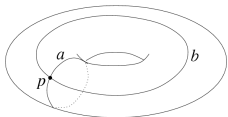
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# Characterization: Cycles and differential forms

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 & & & & & & 1 & \\
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(Calculated up to  $n = 7$ )

Observation: Compatible with embedding in projective space

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