

From positive geometries to a coaction on hypergeometric functions

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Feynman diagrams are generalized hypergeometric functions

The simplest Feynman diagrams are generalized hypergeometric functions.

Examples:



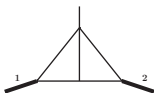
$$\sim {}_2F_1\left(1, 1 + \epsilon; 2 - \epsilon; \frac{p^2}{m^2}\right)$$



$$\sim {}_2F_1\left(1 + 2\epsilon, 1 + \epsilon, 1 - \epsilon, \frac{p^2}{m^2}\right)$$



$$\sim F_4\left(1 + \epsilon, 1, 1 - \epsilon, 1 - \epsilon; \frac{m_1^2}{m_2^2}, \frac{p^2}{m_2^2}\right)$$



$$\sim {}_3F_2\left(1 - \epsilon, 1, 1 - 2\epsilon; 1 + \epsilon, 2 - 2\epsilon; 1 - \frac{p_1^2}{p_2^2}\right)$$

Here ϵ is the parameter of dimensional regularization: the integrals are evaluated in $4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions of spacetime, or more generally $n - 2\epsilon$ where n is even.

- Feynman integrals are usually computed in the Laurent expansion in ϵ . For all of the simplest Feynman integrals, this expansion is given in terms of [multiple polylogarithms](#) (MPLs).
- There is a well-known coaction on multiple polylogarithms. [\[Goncharov, Brown\]](#)
- We've conjectured a corresponding [coaction on Feynman diagrams](#).
[\[Abreu, RB, Duhr, Gardi\]](#)
- Natural compatibility of coaction with discontinuities and differential equations is potentially useful for computation.
- Now: we propose a corresponding [coaction on hypergeometric functions](#), of the form

$$\Delta \left(\int_{\gamma} \omega \right) = \sum_{i,j} c_{ij} \int_{\gamma} \omega_i \otimes \int_{\gamma_j} \omega$$

where the coefficients c_{ij} can be derived from [intersection numbers](#).

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A bialgebra is an algebra H with two more maps, the **coproduct** $\Delta : H \rightarrow H \otimes H$, and the counit $\varepsilon : H \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$, satisfying the following axioms.

- Coassociativity: $(\Delta \otimes \text{id})\Delta = (\text{id} \otimes \Delta)\Delta$
- Δ and ε are algebra homomorphisms:
 $\Delta(a \cdot b) = \Delta(a) \cdot \Delta(b)$ and $\varepsilon(a \cdot b) = \varepsilon(a) \cdot \varepsilon(b)$
- The counit and the coproduct are related by $(\varepsilon \otimes \text{id})\Delta = (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon)\Delta = \text{id}$

Coaction generalizes the coproduct to a tensor product of two different spaces.

If H is a Hopf algebra, then a H (right-) comodule is a vector space A with a map $\rho : A \rightarrow A \otimes H$ such that

$$(\rho \otimes \text{id})\rho = (\text{id} \otimes \Delta)\rho \quad \text{and} \quad (\text{id} \otimes \varepsilon)\rho = \text{id}.$$

Here Δ is a **coproduct** on H . ρ is a **coaction** on A .

In this presentation, we continue to use Δ to denote our coactions of bialgebras.

Feynman diagram example with ${}_2F_1$

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How to construct coactions for Feynman integrals?

$$\Delta \left(\int_{\gamma} \omega \right) = \sum_{i,j} c_{ij} \int_{\gamma} \omega_i \otimes \int_{\gamma_j} \omega$$

- Our starting point is the integral $\int_{\gamma} \omega$, so ω is a cohomology class and γ is a homology class. (What are the co/homology groups?)
- Take $\{\omega_i\}$ to be a basis of the cohomology group, and $\{\gamma_j\}$ to be a basis of the homology group.
- Coaction on MPLs takes a similar form.
- Factors in second entry are simpler/similar: Strictly speaking, second entry is a single-valued/nonmotivic version, e.g. MPLs are taken modulo $i\pi$.

What are the integrands ω_i and contours γ_j , and the coefficients c_{ij} ?

Multiple polylogarithms (MPL)

A large class of iterated integrals are described by multiple polylogarithms:

$$G(a_1, \dots, a_n; z) = \int_0^z \frac{dt}{t - a_1} G(a_2, \dots, a_n; t)$$

Examples:

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There is a coaction on MPLs, graded by weight, which maps MPLs to combinations of simpler functions (lower weight). [Goncharov; Duhr]

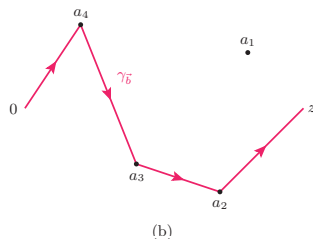
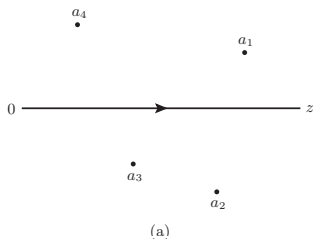
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$$\Delta(\text{Li}_n(z)) = 1 \otimes \text{Li}_n(z) + \text{Li}_n(z) \otimes 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \text{Li}_{n-k}(z) \otimes \frac{\log^k z}{k!}$$

MPLs and their coaction have become extremely useful in recent years!

The coaction is a pairing of contours and integrands.

$$\Delta(G(\vec{a}; z)) = \sum_{\vec{b} \subseteq \vec{a}} G(\vec{b}; z) \otimes G_{\vec{b}}(\vec{a}; z)$$



Contour (b) encircles a subset of residues in a given order.

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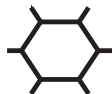
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Use this basis:



$$J_n = \frac{ie^{\gamma_E \epsilon}}{\pi^{D_n/2}} \int d^{D_n} k \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{(k - q_j)^2 - m_j^2}$$

$$D_n = \begin{cases} n - 2\epsilon, & \text{for } n \text{ even,} \\ n + 1 - 2\epsilon, & \text{for } n \text{ odd.} \end{cases}$$

e.g. tadpoles and bubbles in $2 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions,
triangles and boxes in $4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions, etc.

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These coactions capture useful properties.

Discontinuities and cuts act from the front:

$$\Delta \text{Disc} = (\text{Disc} \otimes 1) \Delta$$

Differential operators act from the rear:

$$\Delta \partial = (1 \otimes \partial) \Delta$$

$$\Delta \left[\textcircled{e} \right] = \textcircled{e} \otimes \textcircled{e}^{\text{red}} .$$

$$\textcircled{e} = - \frac{e^{\gamma E \epsilon} \Gamma(1 + \epsilon) (m^2)^{-\epsilon}}{\epsilon}$$

$$\textcircled{e}^{\text{red}} = \frac{e^{\gamma E \epsilon} (-m^2)^{-\epsilon}}{\Gamma(1 - \epsilon)} .$$

$$\Delta \left[(m^2)^{-\epsilon} \right] = (m^2)^{-\epsilon} \otimes (m^2)^{-\epsilon} ,$$

$$\Delta \left[e^{\gamma E \epsilon} \Gamma(1 + \epsilon) \right] = (e^{\gamma E \epsilon} \Gamma(1 + \epsilon)) \otimes \frac{e^{\gamma E \epsilon}}{\Gamma(1 - \epsilon)} ,$$

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The diagram on the left is a lens-shaped graph with two vertices and two edges, labeled e_1 (top) and e_2 (bottom). The diagrams on the right are tensor products of this lens-shaped graph with other graphs. The first is the lens-shaped graph itself. The second is the lens-shaped graph with two red vertical lines crossing the edges e_1 and e_2 . The third is a circle with a vertical line at the bottom and the label e_1 inside. The fourth is a circle with a vertical line at the bottom and the label e_2 inside. The fifth and sixth are the lens-shaped graph with red vertical lines crossing the edges e_1 and e_2 at different positions.

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The odd-shaped integrals have poles at infinity.

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Basis of integrands and corresponding contours:

$\omega_j :$	ω_{12}	ω_1	ω_2
$\gamma_j :$	Γ_{12}	$-\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{1\infty}$	$-\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{2\infty}$
	\mathcal{C}_{12}	$\mathcal{C}_1 + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{C}_{12}$	$\mathcal{C}_2 + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{C}_{12}$

At leading order in ϵ , they satisfy

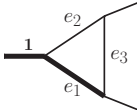
$$\int_{\gamma_i} \omega_j \sim \delta_{ij}.$$

Maximal cuts are grouplike.

The diagram shows an equation involving a coproduct symbol Δ and a tensor product symbol \otimes . On the left, Δ is applied to a diagram enclosed in large square brackets. The diagram consists of a thick horizontal line on the left labeled '1'. From its right end, two lines branch out: an upper line labeled e_2 and a lower line labeled e_1 . These two lines meet at a vertical thick line labeled e_3 . A dashed red line forms a triangle with vertices at the junction of '1' and e_1 , the junction of '1' and e_2 , and the junction of e_1 and e_2 . This triangle is shaded light red. To the right of the brackets is an equals sign. To the right of the equals sign is a tensor product of two identical diagrams, each with the same structure as the one in the brackets, separated by a \otimes symbol.

Beyond one loop, we have some examples where graphical operations correspond to the MPL coaction, but a general treatment remains to be found. Moreover, there are multiloop integrals without MPL expansions. In view of Brown's motivic Galois coaction, we do expect generalizations.

Feynman diagram example with ${}_2F_1$



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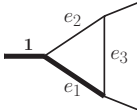
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The diagram on the left is a triangle with external lines labeled 1, e₁, e₂, and e₃. The diagram in the first term of the parentheses is the same triangle with a red dashed line on the e₁ edge. The diagram in the second term of the parentheses is the same triangle with red dashed lines on both the e₁ and e₂ edges. The diagram in the second term of the sum is a bubble diagram with two external lines labeled 1 and e₂, and a loop with edges labeled e₁ and e₂. The diagram in the third term of the sum is the same triangle as in the first term, but with red dashed lines on the e₁ and e₂ edges.

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There is a coaction on ${}_2F_1$ that agrees with the coaction on MPLs to all orders in ϵ !

At first, we tried to select just the right integrands ω_i and “dual” contours γ_j so that there were no coefficients: $\Delta \left(\int_{\gamma} \omega \right) = \sum_i \int_{\gamma} \omega_i \otimes \int_{\gamma_i} \omega$

We got pretty far with ${}_{p+1}F_p$ and Appell F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4 by guesswork...

...but some issues with F_4 led us to hunt for math results online, where we found that we'd been starting to get at intersection numbers, and where we found many helpful papers on hypergeometric functions from Japan.

Gauss's original hypergeometric function. Series definition:

$${}_2F_1(\alpha, \beta; \gamma; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha)_n (\beta)_n}{(\gamma)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}, \quad \text{where } (x)_n \equiv \frac{\Gamma(x+n)}{\Gamma(x)}.$$

Euler's integral representation:

$${}_2F_1(\alpha, \beta; \gamma; x) = \frac{\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\gamma-\alpha)} \int_0^1 du u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\gamma-\alpha-1} (1-ux)^{-\beta}$$

Let

$$\int_{\gamma} \omega \equiv \int_0^1 du u^{n_0+a_0\epsilon} (1-u)^{n_1+a_1\epsilon} (1-ux)^{n_x+a_x\epsilon}$$

with $a_0, a_1, a_x \in \mathbb{C}^*$ are generic, and $n_i \in \mathbb{Z}$.

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$$\omega \equiv \Phi \varphi$$

$\varphi = u^{n_0} (1-u)^{n_1} (1-ux)^{n_x} du$ is a single-valued differential form.

$\Phi = u^{a_0\epsilon} (1-u)^{a_1\epsilon} (1-ux)^{a_x\epsilon}$ is a multi-valued function, from which we construct the **twist** 1-form $d \log \Phi$:

$$d \log \Phi = a_0 \frac{du}{u} - a_1 \frac{du}{1-u} - x a_x \frac{du}{1-ux}$$

Then Stokes' theorem implies $\int_{\gamma} \Phi \varphi = \int_{\gamma} \Phi (\varphi + \nabla_{\Phi} \xi)$, so φ is a **twisted** cohomology class.

Contours γ also get a "twist" carrying the information of the choice of branch of Φ .

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- What are the twisted co/homology groups?

They can be defined systematically when $\omega = d\mathbf{u} \prod_k P_k(\mathbf{u})^{\alpha_k}$, where the $P_k(\mathbf{u})$ are polynomials in the integration variables \mathbf{u} , and when γ has its boundary on the zeros of $\prod_k P_k(\mathbf{u})$.

[Aomoto-Kita book]

- Then, take $\{\omega_i\}$ to be a basis of the twisted cohomology group, and $\{\gamma_j\}$ to be a basis of the twisted homology group.

In our examples where the $P_k(\mathbf{u})$ can be combined to a suitable number of **positive geometries**, this can be done in a natural way.

- Positive geometries have corresponding *canonical* differential forms having logarithmic singularities and unit residues precisely at their boundaries.

[Arkani-Hamed, Bai, Lam]

This class of integrals includes all known examples of Feynman diagrams with MPL expansions.

- If the $P_k(\mathbf{u})$ are mostly linear, there is a natural choice of the basis of integration contours $\{\gamma_j\}$, and it is straightforward to construct their canonical forms. Differential forms $\bigwedge_i d \log y_i(\mathbf{u})$ are called dlog forms.
- If an integration contour γ_j is a positive geometry, construct its canonical form $\Omega(\gamma_j)$.
- We compute the **cohomology intersection matrix** $\langle \varphi_i, \Omega(\gamma_j) \rangle_\Phi$.

- The intersection number pairing of cohomology classes (forms) is defined by

$$\langle \varphi_i, \psi_j \rangle_\Phi = \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^2} \int \iota_\Phi(\varphi_i) \wedge \psi_j,$$

where ι_Φ denotes a compactification away from the branch points.

- Residue formulas are more practical for computation. For $d \log$ forms in one variable, we have

$$\langle \varphi_i, \psi_j \rangle_\Phi = \sum_{u_p} \frac{\text{Res}_{u=u_p} \varphi_i \text{Res}_{u=u_p} \psi_j}{\text{Res}_{u=u_p} d \log \Phi},$$

where the u_p are the poles of $d \log \Phi$. Produces the simple expressions seen above. [Matsumoto, Mizera; more general versions by Frellesvig, Gasparotto, Mandal, Mastrolia, Mattiazzi, Mizera]

- **Invert the matrix of intersection numbers** to read off the coefficients c_{ij} that we seek for the coaction formula.

To find bases of co/homology $\{\varphi_i\}$ and $\{\gamma_j\}$:

- Compute the dimension r .
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When the factors $P_k(\mathbf{u})$ are linear, a natural basis is given by “bounded chambers.”

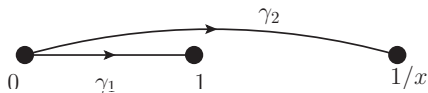
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- The equation $d \log \Phi = 0$ has 2 solutions.
- We also see two bounded chambers in real coordinates;



Choose two independent contours with boundaries at the branch points, for example $\gamma_1 = [0, 1]$, $\gamma_2 = [0, 1/x]$.



From these contours, construct their associated “canonical” dlog forms

$$\psi_1 = d \log \frac{u-1}{u}, \quad \psi_2 = d \log \frac{u-1/x}{u},$$

- It is always possible to use these same forms as the basis of twisted cohomology: $\varphi_1 = \psi_1$, $\varphi_2 = \psi_2$.

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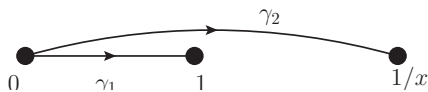
the intersection matrix is

$$\langle \varphi_1, \psi_1 \rangle_{\Phi} = \frac{1}{a_0 \epsilon} + \frac{1}{a_1 \epsilon} \quad \langle \varphi_1, \psi_2 \rangle_{\Phi} = \frac{1}{a_0 \epsilon}$$

$$\langle \varphi_2, \psi_1 \rangle_{\Phi} = \frac{1}{a_0 \epsilon} \quad \langle \varphi_2, \psi_2 \rangle_{\Phi} = \frac{1}{a_0 \epsilon} + \frac{1}{a_x \epsilon}$$

which can be inverted to produce a coaction formula.

In this case with dlog forms and linear polynomials, it's no coincidence that you can just read off overlaps as intersections.



Construction generalizes to ${}_{p+1}F_p$ and Lauricella $F_D^{(n)}$.

All of our other examples work in a similar way.

- Choose the same basis of homology, $\gamma_1 = [0, 1]$, $\gamma_2 = [0, 1/x]$.
- Choose a different basis of cohomology to minimize overlap of singularities:

$$\varphi_1 = d \log(1 - u), \quad \varphi_2 = d \log(1 - xu),$$

- Compute cohomology intersection matrix.

int	φ_1	φ_2
γ_1	$\frac{1}{a_1 \epsilon}$	0
γ_2	0	$\frac{1}{a_x \epsilon}$

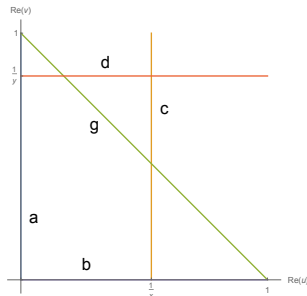
- The resulting coaction formula has just two terms:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\left({}_2F_1(\alpha, \beta; \gamma; x)\right) &= {}_2F_1(1 + a\epsilon, b\epsilon; 1 + c\epsilon; x) \otimes {}_2F_1(\alpha, \beta; \gamma; x) \\ &\quad - \frac{b\epsilon}{1 + c\epsilon} {}_2F_1(1 + a\epsilon, 1 + b\epsilon; 2 + c\epsilon; x) \\ &\quad \otimes \frac{\Gamma(1 - \beta)\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(1 - \beta + \alpha)\Gamma(\gamma - \alpha)} x^{1-\alpha} {}_2F_1\left(\alpha, 1 + \alpha - \gamma; 1 - \beta + \alpha; \frac{1}{x}\right) \end{aligned}$$

where $\alpha = n_\alpha + a\epsilon$, $\beta = n_\beta + b\epsilon$ and $\gamma = n_\gamma + c\epsilon$.

$$F_3(\alpha, \alpha', \beta, \beta', \gamma; x, y) = \frac{\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\beta')\Gamma(\gamma - \beta - \beta')}$$

$$\int_0^1 dv \int_0^{1-v} du u^{\beta-1} v^{\beta'-1} (1-u-v)^{\gamma-\beta-\beta'-1} (1-ux)^{-\alpha} (1-vy)^{-\alpha'}$$



Dimension of (nontrivial) homology = number of bounded chambers = 4.

Choose $\gamma_{abg} = \gamma, \gamma_{bcg}, \gamma_{cdg}, \gamma_{adg}$.

Canonical forms for 2-simplex in 2 dimensions [Matsumoto]

$$d \log \frac{P_1}{P_2} \wedge d \log \frac{P_2}{P_3}.$$

Basis of integrands:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_{ab} &= d \log u \wedge d \log v, & \varphi_{bc} &= d \log(1 - ux) \wedge d \log v, \\ \varphi_{cd} &= d \log(1 - ux) \wedge d \log(1 - vy), & \varphi_{da} &= d \log u \wedge d \log(1 - vy). \end{aligned}$$

The cohomology intersection matrix is

$\langle \Omega(\gamma_i), \varphi_j \rangle$	φ_{ab}	φ_{bc}	φ_{cd}	φ_{ad}
γ_{abg}	$\frac{1}{ab\epsilon^2}$	0	0	0
γ_{bcg}	0	$\frac{1}{bc\epsilon^2}$	0	0
γ_{cdg}	0	0	$\frac{1}{cd\epsilon^2}$	0
γ_{adg}	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{ad\epsilon^2}$

Coaction formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \left(\int_{\gamma} \Phi \varphi \right) &= ab\epsilon^2 \int_{\gamma} \Phi \varphi_{ab} \otimes \int_{\gamma_{abg}} \Phi \varphi + bc\epsilon^2 \int_{\gamma} \Phi \varphi_{bc} \otimes \int_{\gamma_{bcg}} \Phi \varphi \\ &+ cd\epsilon^2 \int_{\gamma} \Phi \varphi_{cd} \otimes \int_{\gamma_{cdg}} \Phi \varphi + ad\epsilon^2 \int_{\gamma} \Phi \varphi_{ad} \otimes \int_{\gamma_{adg}} \Phi \varphi. \end{aligned}$$

Construction generalizes to Lauricella $F_B^{(n)}$.

$$\frac{\Gamma(1-\gamma)\Gamma(1-\gamma')\Gamma(\gamma+\gamma'-\alpha-1)}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)} F_4(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \gamma'; x(1-y), y(1-x))$$

$$= \int_{\gamma_1} t_1^{\beta-\gamma} t_2^{\beta-\gamma'} L(t_1, t_2)^{\gamma+\gamma'-\alpha-2} Q(t_1, t_2, x, y)^{-\beta} dt_1 dt_2,$$

where

$$L(t_1, t_2) = 1 - t_1 - t_2, \quad Q(t_1, t_2, x_1, x_2) = t_1 t_2 - x(1-y)t_2 - y(1-x)t_1,$$

and the integration region γ_1 is a twisted version of the region bounded by $L(t_1, t_2)$ and $Q(t_1, t_2, x_1, x_2)$.

Dimension of co/homology is 4 (= no. critical points of Φ).

Use bases given by Goto & Matsumoto to write dlog forms on positive geometries, and to evaluate the integrals in second entry of coaction.

- We propose a **coaction on generalized hypergeometric functions**,

$$\Delta \left(\int_{\gamma} \omega \right) = \sum_{i,j} c_{ij} \int_{\gamma} \omega_i \otimes \int_{\gamma_j} \omega$$

where the coefficients c_{ij} can be derived from intersection numbers, provided $\omega = d\mathbf{u} \prod_k P_k(\mathbf{u})^{\alpha_k}$ and γ has its boundary on $\prod_k P_k(\mathbf{u}) = 0$.

- When the exponents α_k are expanded around integer values, we claim that this coaction is **compatible with the coaction on the MPLs** in the Laurent expansion. Checked to several orders for ${}_2F_1$, Appell F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4 . Generalizes to ${}_{\rho+1}F_{\rho}$, Lauricella F_A, F_B, F_D .
- A version of this coaction has recently been proven for ${}_2F_1$ and Lauricella F_D [Brown, Dupont 1907.06603].
- Note that Feynman integrals typically have degeneracies in the exponents – not allowed by the mathematics, but we have been able to take these limits as needed, preserving the general structure.
- Our coaction supports our examples of **Feynman-diagrammatic coaction** to all orders, despite having some exponents with integer values.