

GiNaC goes elliptic (numerical evaluation of elliptic multiple polylogarithms)

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Introduction

Physics is about numbers

A mathematical physicist thinks about

$$\zeta_3$$

An experimental physicist thinks about

$$1.2020569031 \pm 2 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

GiNaC



GiNaC was initiated in 1999 by Ch. Bauer, A. Frink and R. Kreckel at the University of Mainz.

Despite its name, it is a **computer algebra system**.
Allows **symbolic calculations in C++**.

Shipped with major linux distributions (Ubuntu, Debian, Fedora, ...).

Available at <http://www.ginac.de>.

GiNaC contains a sub-package to evaluate multiple polylogarithms with arbitrary precision.

J. Vollinga, S.W., (2004)

Multiple polylogarithms

Definition based on iterated integrals:

$$G(z_1, \dots, z_k; y) = \int_0^y \frac{dt_1}{t_1 - z_1} \int_0^{t_1} \frac{dt_2}{t_2 - z_2} \dots \int_0^{t_{k-1}} \frac{dt_k}{t_k - z_k}, \quad z_k \neq 0$$

Definition based on nested sums:

$$\text{Li}_{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \sum_{n_1 > n_2 > \dots > n_k > 0} \frac{x_1^{n_1}}{n_1^{m_1}} \cdot \frac{x_2^{n_2}}{n_2^{m_2}} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{x_k^{n_k}}{n_k^{m_k}}$$

Conversion:

$$\text{Li}_{m_1, \dots, m_k}(x_1, \dots, x_k) = (-1)^k G_{m_1, \dots, m_k} \left(\frac{1}{x_1}, \frac{1}{x_1 x_2}, \dots, \frac{1}{x_1 \dots x_k}; 1 \right)$$

Short hand notation:

$$G_{m_1, \dots, m_k}(z_1, \dots, z_k; y) = G(\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{m_1-1}, z_1, \dots, z_{k-1}, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{m_k-1}, z_k; y)$$

Trailing zeros

We may slightly extend the definition of multiple polylogarithms and allow **trailing zeros**:

$$G(\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_r; y) = \frac{1}{r!} \ln^r(y)$$

and define recursively

$$G(z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r; y) = \int_0^y \frac{dt_1}{t_1 - z_1} G(z_2, \dots, z_r; t_1).$$

Example

```
ginsh - GiNaC Interactive Shell (GiNaC V1.7.10)
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  (__) *          | Germany. This is free software with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY.
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<-----' For details type `warranty;'.
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Type ?? for a list of help topics.

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> Digits=50;
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50
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```
> evalf(G({0,0,1},1));
```

```
-1.202056903159594285399738161511449990764986292340498881794
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Why arbitrary precision?

The **PSLQ algorithm** can be used to find integer relations among a set of transcendental numbers.

Ferguson, Bailey, (1992)

This can be used to fix and to simplify **boundary constants** for Feynman integrals.

This **requires** that the transcendental **numbers are known to sufficient high precision** (a few hundred digits).

Special cases

The multiple polylogarithms contain as subsets the **classical polylogarithms**

$$\text{Li}_n(x),$$

Nielsen's generalized polylogarithms

$$S_{n,p}(x) = \text{Li}_{n+1,1,\dots,1}(x, \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{p-1}),$$

the **harmonic polylogarithms** of Remiddi and Vermaseren

$$H_{m_1, \dots, m_k}(x) = \text{Li}_{m_1, \dots, m_k}(x, \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{k-1}).$$

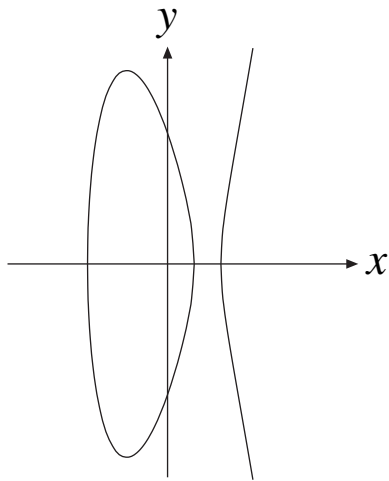
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Elliptic curves

Elliptic curves

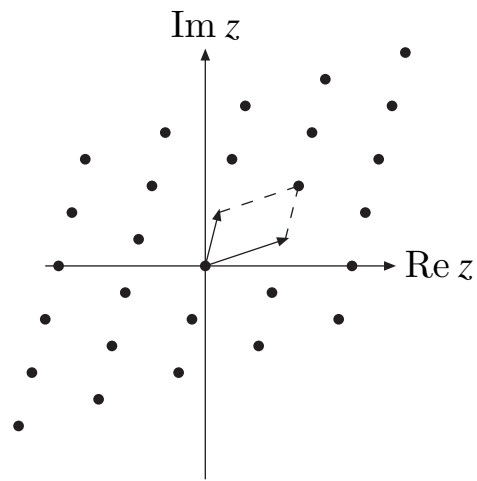
Let ψ_1 and ψ_2 be two complex numbers with $\text{Im}(\psi_2/\psi_1) \neq 0$.

Elliptic curve represented by



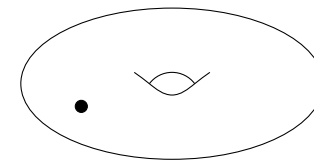
Weierstrass normal form

$$y^2 = 4x^3 - g_2x - g_3$$



Torus

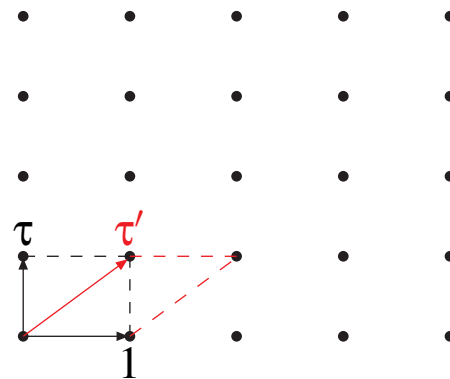
$$\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$$



Real Riemann surface of genus one
with one marked point

Bases of lattices

The periods ψ_1 and ψ_2 generate a lattice. Any other basis as good as (ψ_2, ψ_1) .
 Convention: Normalise $(\psi_2, \psi_1) \rightarrow (\tau, 1)$ where $\tau = \psi_2/\psi_1$.



Change of basis:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi'_2 \\ \psi'_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_2 \\ \psi_1 \end{pmatrix},$$

Transformation should be invertible:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}),$$

In terms of τ and τ' :

$$\tau' = \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}$$

Modular forms

Denote by \mathbb{H} the **complex upper half plane**. A meromorphic function $f : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a **modular form** of modular weight k for $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ if

(i) f transforms under Möbius transformations as

$$f\left(\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}\right) = (c\tau + d)^k \cdot f(\tau) \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$$

(ii) f is holomorphic on \mathbb{H} ,

(iii) f is holomorphic at ∞ .

Congruence subgroups

Apart from $\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$ we may also look at congruence **subgroups**, for example

$$\Gamma_0(N) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) : c \equiv 0 \pmod{N} \right\}$$

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Modular forms for congruence subgroups: Require “**nice**” transformation properties only for subgroup Γ (plus holomorphicity on \mathbb{H} and at the cusps).

Dirichlet character

Let N be a positive integer. A function $\chi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is called a **Dirichlet character modulo N** , if

$$(i) \quad \chi(n) = \chi(n + N) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z},$$

$$(ii) \quad \chi(n) = 0 \text{ if } \gcd(n, N) > 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \chi(n) \neq 0 \text{ if } \gcd(n, N) = 1,$$

$$(iii) \quad \chi(nm) = \chi(n)\chi(m) \quad \forall n, m \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

The **conductor** of χ is the smallest positive divisor $d|N$ such that there is a character χ' modulo d with

$$\chi(n) = \chi'(n) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{with } \gcd(n, N) = 1.$$

The Kronecker symbol

Let a be an integer and n a non-zero integer with prime factorisation $n = up_1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$, where $u \in \{1, -1\}$ is a unit. The **Kronecker symbol** is defined by

$$\left(\frac{a}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{a}{u}\right) \left(\frac{a}{p_1}\right)^{\alpha_1} \left(\frac{a}{p_2}\right)^{\alpha_2} \dots \left(\frac{a}{p_k}\right)^{\alpha_k}.$$

If a is the **discriminant of a quadratic field**, then it is a **primitive Dirichlet character** with conductor $|a|$.

Including the trivial character (for which $a = 1$) the possible values for a with smallest absolute value are

$$1, -3, -4, 5, -7, 8, -8, -11, 12, \dots$$

Modular forms with character

We may relax the transformation law:

Let N be a positive integer and let χ be a Dirichlet character modulo N . A function $f : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a **modular form** of weight k for $\Gamma_0(N)$ **with character** χ if

(i) f is holomorphic on \mathbb{H} ,

(ii) f is holomorphic at the cusps of $\Gamma_1(N)$,

$$(iii) \quad f\left(\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}\right) = \chi(d)(c\tau + d)^k f(\tau) \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma_0(N).$$

The space of modular forms

- The modular forms for a given congruence subgroup form a **vectorspace**.
- This vectorspace is **finite dimensional**.
- It decomposes into a subspace of **cuspidal forms** and the **Eisenstein subspace**.
- We have

$$\mathcal{M}_k(\Gamma_1(N)) = \bigoplus_{\chi} \mathcal{M}_k(N, \chi)$$

and similar for the subspace of cuspidal forms and the Eisenstein subspace.

- **Basis** of Eisenstein subspace $\mathcal{E}_k(N, \chi)$ given in terms of **generalised Eisenstein series**.

Generalised Eisenstein series

Let a be the discriminant of a quadratic field. The Kronecker symbol defines then a primitive Dirichlet character

$$\chi_a(n) = \left(\frac{a}{n}\right)$$

Set

$$E_{k,a,b}(\tau) = a_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{d|n} \chi_a(n/d) \cdot \chi_b(d) \cdot d^{k-1} \right) \bar{q}^n, \quad \bar{q} = e^{2\pi i \tau}$$

Generalised Eisenstein series:

$$E_{k,a,b,K}(\tau) = \begin{cases} E_{k,a,b}(K\tau), & (k, a, b) \neq (2, 1, 1), \quad K \geq 1, \\ E_{2,1,1}(\tau) - KE_{2,1,1}(K\tau), & (k, a, b) = (2, 1, 1), \quad K > 1. \end{cases}$$

Iterated integrals of modular forms

Iterated integrals of modular forms:

$$I(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n; q) = (2\pi i)^n \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau} d\tau_1 f_1(\tau_1) \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_1} d\tau_2 f_2(\tau_2) \dots \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_{n-1}} d\tau_n f_n(\tau_n)$$

An integral over a modular form is in general **not** a modular form.

Analogy: An integral over a rational function is in general not a rational function.

The Kronecker function

The first Jacobi theta function $\theta_1(z, q)$:

$$\theta_1(z, q) = -i \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} e^{i(2n+1)z}, \quad q = e^{i\pi\tau}$$

The Kronecker function $F(z, \alpha, \tau)$:

$$F(z, \alpha, \tau) = \pi \theta_1'(0, q) \frac{\theta_1(\pi(z + \alpha), q)}{\theta_1(\pi z, q) \theta_1(\pi \alpha, q)} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} g^{(k)}(z, \tau) \alpha^k,$$

We are mainly interested in the coefficients $g^{(k)}(z, \tau)$ of the Kronecker function.

The coefficients $g^{(k)}(z, \tau)$ of the Kronecker function

Properties of $g^{(k)}(z, \tau)$:

- **only simple poles** as a function of z
- **quasi-periodic** as a function of z : Periodic by 1, quasi-periodic by τ .
- **almost modular**: Nice modular transformation properties only spoiled by divergent Eisenstein series $E_1(z, \tau)$.

Brown, Levin, '11,

Broedel, Duhr, Dulat, Penante, Tancredi, '18

Can we have the full cake and eat it?

No, it is not possible to have integration kernels, which are

- double periodic
- meromorphic
- only simple poles

Elliptic polylogarithms ($\tilde{\Gamma}$ -version)

Elliptic polylogarithms (meromorphic version, simple poles, but not double periodic)

$$\tilde{\Gamma}\left(\begin{matrix} n_1 & \dots & n_k \\ z_1 & \dots & z_k \end{matrix}; z; \tau\right) = \int_0^z dz' g^{(n_1)}(z' - z_1, \tau) \tilde{\Gamma}\left(\begin{matrix} n_2 & \dots & n_k \\ z_2 & \dots & z_k \end{matrix}; z'; \tau\right)$$

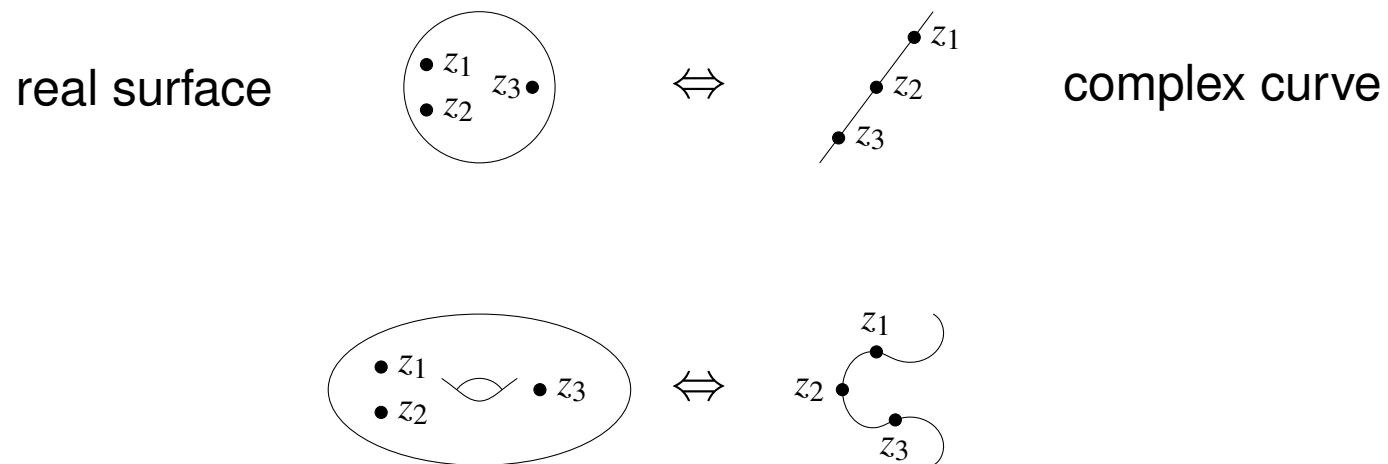
Broedel, Duhr, Dulat, Tancredi, '17

Note: $\tau = \text{const}$

Moduli spaces

$\mathcal{M}_{g,n}$: Space of **isomorphism classes** of smooth (complex, algebraic) **curves of genus g with n marked points**.

Recall:



Coordinates

Genus 0: $\dim \mathcal{M}_{0,n} = n - 3$.

Sphere has a **unique shape**

Use **Möbius transformation** to fix $z_{n-2} = 1, z_{n-1} = \infty, z_n = 0$

Coordinates are (z_1, \dots, z_{n-3})

Genus 1: $\dim \mathcal{M}_{1,n} = n$.

One coordinate describes the **shape of the torus**

Use **translation** to fix $z_n = 0$

Coordinates are $(\tau, z_1, \dots, z_{n-1})$

In particular:

$\dim \mathcal{M}_{1,1} = 1$ with coordinate τ , (equal mass sunrise)

$\dim \mathcal{M}_{1,3} = 3$ with coordinates τ, z_1, z_2 , (unequal mass sunrise).

The ELi-functions

Recall the definition of the classical polylogarithms:

$$\text{Li}_n(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^j}{j^n}.$$

Generalisation, the two sums are coupled through the variable q :

$$\text{ELi}_{n;m}(x; y; q) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^j y^k}{j^n k^m} q^{jk}.$$

Define the **linear combinations**

$$\bar{\text{E}}_{n;m}(x; y; q) = \text{ELi}_{n;m}(x; y; q) - (-1)^{n+m} \text{ELi}_{n;m}(x^{-1}; y^{-1}; q).$$

Expansion of the coefficients of the Kronecker function

The functions $\bar{E}_{n;m}$ are helpful for the \bar{q} -expansion of the functions $g^{(n)}(z, \tau)$. Explicitly one has with $\bar{q} = \exp(2\pi i\tau)$ and $\bar{w} = \exp(2\pi iz)$

$$g^{(0)}(z, \tau) = 1,$$

$$g^{(1)}(z, \tau) = -2\pi i \left[\frac{1 + \bar{w}}{2(1 - \bar{w})} + \bar{E}_{0,0}(\bar{w}; 1; \bar{q}) \right],$$

$$g^{(k)}(z, \tau) = -\frac{(2\pi i)^k}{(k-1)!} \left[-\frac{B_k}{k} + \bar{E}_{0,1-k}(\bar{w}; 1; \bar{q}) \right], \quad k > 1,$$

where B_k denote the k -th Bernoulli number.

More variants of elliptic polylogarithms

Some authors consider iterated integrals of the form

$$\int_0^{y_0} dy f(y) G(z_1, \dots, z_{k-1}; y),$$

where **only the outermost integration is non-polylogarithmic**, for example

$$f(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(y - z_1)(y - z_2)(y - z_3)(y - z_4)}}$$

Remiddi, Tancredi, '17;

Bourjaily, McLeod, Spradlin, von Hippel, Wilhelm, '17;

Hidding, Moriello, '17;

Part III

Evaluation of elliptic multiple polylogarithms

Iterated integrals

For $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_k$ differential 1-forms on a manifold M and $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow M$ a path, write for the **pull-back** of ω_j to the interval $[0, 1]$

$$f_j(\lambda) d\lambda = \gamma^* \omega_j.$$

The **iterated integral** is defined by (Chen '77)

$$I_\gamma(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_k; \lambda) = \int_0^\lambda d\lambda_1 f_1(\lambda_1) \int_0^{\lambda_1} d\lambda_2 f_2(\lambda_2) \dots \int_0^{\lambda_{k-1}} d\lambda_k f_k(\lambda_k).$$

Shuffle product and trailing zeros

Let $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ and denote by U the domain $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| \leq \lambda_0\}$. Let us assume that all ω_j are holomorphic in $U \setminus \{0\}$ and have at most a simple pole at $z = 0$. In other words

$$\omega_j = f_j(z) dz = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{j,n} z^{n-1} dz, \quad c_{j,n} \in \mathbb{C}.$$

We say that ω_j has a **trailing zero**, if $c_{j,0} \neq 0$.

We may use shuffle product regularisation / tangential base point as in the case of multiple polylogarithms.

Integration kernels

- **Kernels related to $g^{(k)}(z, \tau)$:**

`Kronecker_dtau_kernel(k, z_j); Kronecker_dz_kernel(k, z_j, tau);`

- **Kernels related to modular forms:**

`Eisenstein_kernel(k, a, b, K); modular_form_kernel(k, P, qbar);`

- **Kernels related to ELi-functions:**

`ELi_kernel(n, m, x, y); Ebar_kernel(n, m, x, y);`

- **User-defined kernels:**

`user_defined_kernel(f, y);`

Example

```
Digits = 50;

ex tau = 10*I;
ex qbar = evalf(exp(2*Pi*I*tau));

ex z = 0.9;

ex g_2 = Kronecker_dtau_kernel(2, z);
ex g_3 = Kronecker_dtau_kernel(3, z);

std::cout << iterated_integral(lst{g_3, g_2}, qbar).evalf() << std::endl;

3.2253571394850843286565907071596312651610339124775388346726E-27
-4.370890856300573854123107098377978052316020623730771456153E-85*I
```

Conclusions

- At the end we want a number!
- Numerical evaluations with arbitrary precision helpful for PSLQ algorithm.
- Implementation of functions related to elliptic Feynman integrals in GiNaC.