

Numerical integration of massive two-loop Mellin-Barnes integrals in Minkowskian regions

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- This talk: the MB method

Two steps:

- 1 AMBRE [K.Kajda (planar, ver.2.2), E.Dubovik (non-planar, ver3.0)] - PlanarityTest [K.Bielas, E.Dubovik]
- 2 MBnumerics [J. Usovitsch, E. Dubovik] - a completely new software !

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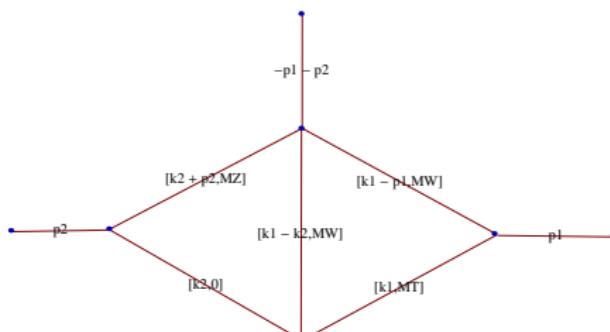
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- **First application:** $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ project.
More on this project on Friday, talk by Tord Riemann.
- **Aim:** complete two-loop electroweak corrections.
- **Problem:** $M_Z, M_W, m_t, M_H, s (= M_Z^2)$
→ 4 dimensionless scales, thresholds, singularities.

Step 1(a): PlanarityTest

The program determines planarity of diagrams from momenta flow in propagators.



PlanarityTestv1.2.m,

<http://us.edu.pl/~gluza/ambre/planarity/>

Step 1(b): MB representations - AMBRE

Present versions:

- v1.3 - manual approach, useful for testing
- v2.1 - complete, automatic approach

Basic improvements of these new versions (planars):



$$F = F_0 + U \sum_i x_i m_i^2$$

- if masses from $U \sum_i x_i m_i^2$ are not needed to form propagators $\Rightarrow U = 1$
- if some masses from $U \sum_i x_i m_i^2$ were used, further optimization is also possible

$$\dots - k^2 x_1 x_2 + \overbrace{(x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots)}^{U=1} x_1 m^2 \rightarrow \dots - (k^2 - m^2) x_1 x_2 + (x_1 + x_3 + \dots) x_1 m^2$$

red part is simplified by the 1st Barnes lemma by shifts of variables:

$$s_1^{\alpha_1 \pm \sum_{i=1} \beta_i z_i} s_2^{\alpha_2 \pm \sum_{i=1} \beta_i z_i} \Big|_{\mathbf{z}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{z}_1 - \sum_{i=2} \beta_i / \beta_1 \mathbf{z}_i} = s_1^{\alpha_1 \pm \beta_1 \mathbf{z}_1} s_2^{\alpha_2 \pm \beta_1 \mathbf{z}_1} \text{ 1st BL for } z_i (i \neq 1)$$

- v3.1 - non-planar
 - extended to use with some 3-loop non-planar diagrams

STEP 2 - Numerical Integrations

Mellin-Barnes integrals

BASIC PROBLEMS

- I. Bad oscillatory behavior of integrands;
- II. Fragile stability for integrations over products and ratios of Γ functions.

QED massive vertex

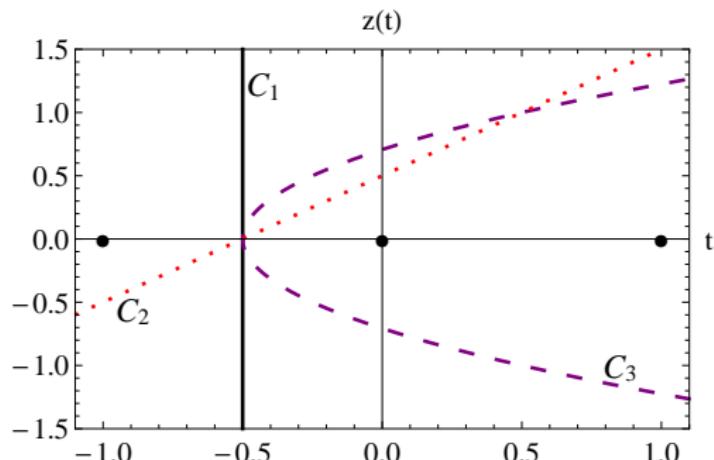
E.g. hep-ph/0511200 [M. Czakon], arXiv:1604.00406 [A. Freitas]

$$\begin{aligned} V(s) &= \frac{e^{\epsilon\gamma_E}}{i\pi^{d/2}} \int \frac{d^d k}{[(k+p_1)^2 - m^2][k^2][(k-p_2)^2 - m^2]} \\ &= \frac{V_{-1}(s)}{\epsilon} + V_0(s) + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_{-1}(s) &= -\frac{1}{2s} \int_{-\frac{1}{2}-i\infty}^{-\frac{1}{2}+i\infty} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \underbrace{(-s)^{-z}}_{\text{Problem I}} \overbrace{\frac{\Gamma^3(-z)\Gamma(1+z)}{\Gamma(-2z)}}^{\text{Problem II}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^n}{\binom{2n}{n} (2n+1)} = \frac{2 \arcsin(\sqrt{s}/2)}{\sqrt{4-s}\sqrt{s}},$$

$$z = \Re[z] + i y, \quad y \in (-\infty, +\infty)$$



$$z(t) = x_0 + it : \quad V_{-1}^{C_1}(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (i) dt J[z(t)];$$

$$z(t) = x_0 + \theta t + it : \quad V_{-1}^{C_2}(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\theta + i) dt J[z(t)]$$

$$z(t) = x_0 + at^2 + it : \quad V_{-1}^{C_3}(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (2at + i) dt J[z(t)]; .$$

$$s = 2, z(t) = \Re[z(t)] + i y, \quad y \in (-a, +a)$$

$$V_{-1}(2)|_{\text{analyt.}} = \color{red}{0.785398163}39744830962 = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$V_{-1}(2)|_{\text{Pantis}}^{\text{MB.m}} = 0.7925 - \underline{0.0225} i$$

$$V_{-1}(2)|_{C_1, a=15} = 0.7548660085063523 - \underline{0.229985258820015} i$$

$$V_{-1}(2)|_{C_1, a=10^2} = 0.73479313088852537844 + \underline{0.074901423602937676597} i$$

$$V_{-1}(2)|_{C_1, a=10^3} = 0.84718185073531076915 - \underline{0.094865760649354977853} i$$

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Similarly above the threshold, $s > 4$. We can get easily more (e.g. 30 digits, C_4, \dots)

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Some chosen issues: Linear deformations (contour rotations)

arXiv:1604.00406 [A. Freitas]:

$$(-p^2)^{(x_0+it)} = (p^2)^{(x_0+it)} (-1 - i\epsilon)^{(x_0+it)} = (p^2)^{(x_0+it)} e^{-i\pi x_0} e^{\pi t} \longleftarrow [t \rightarrow \infty]$$

$$x_0 + it \rightarrow x_0 + (\theta + i)t$$

$$(-p^2)^{(x_0+it)} = (p^2)^{(x_0+it)} e^{-i\pi(x_0+\theta t)} e^{(\pi+\theta \log p^2)t}$$

Drawbacks:

- 1 θ adjusted for each integral separately;
- 2 choice depends on kinematics and masses;
- 3 can be shown that can not work in general in multidimensional case (in some kinematical regions);

Used e.g. in two-loops vertices with fermion subloops by A. Freitas

2-dim rotations

$$J(z_1, z_2) = \frac{\left(\frac{M_W^2}{M_T^2}\right)^{z_2} s^2 \left(-\frac{s}{M_T^2}\right)^{z_1-z_2} \Gamma[-z_1] \Gamma[z_1] \Gamma[2-z_2] \Gamma[4+z_1-z_2] \Gamma[z_2] \Gamma[-z_2]}{4 M_T^4 \Gamma[6+z_1-2z_2]}$$

The integral will be integrated over C_1 :

$$K^{C_1}(s, M_W, M_T) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (i)^2 J(z_{10} + it_1, z_{20} + it_2) dt_1 dt_2, \quad z_{10} = 0.7, \quad z_{20} = -1.2,$$

And C_2 :

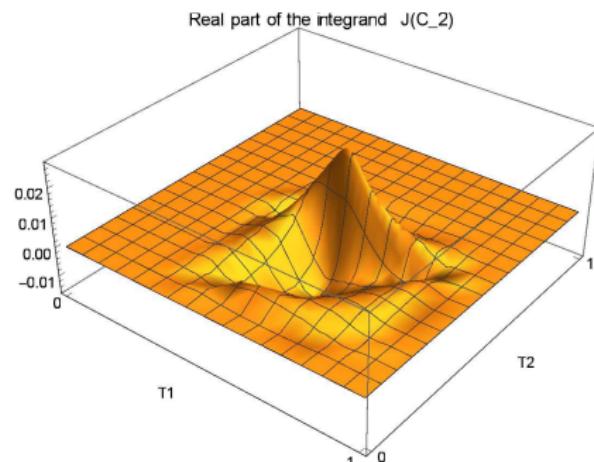
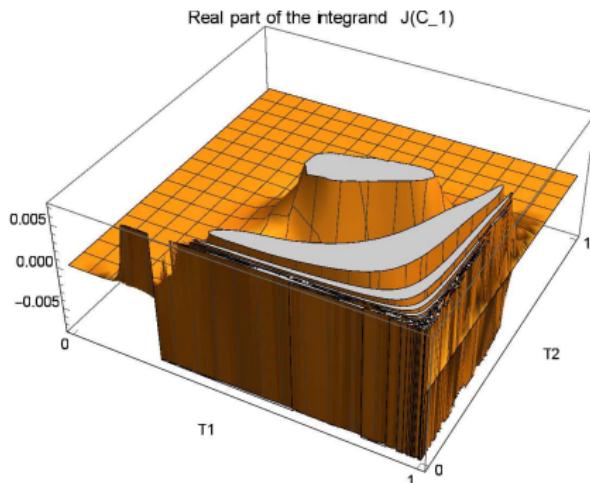
$$K^{C_2}(s, M_W, M_T) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (i+\theta)^2 J(z_{10} + (i+\theta)t_1, z_{20} + (i+\theta)t_2) dt_1 dt_2, \quad z_{10} = 0.7, \quad z_{20} = -1.2,$$

Worst asymptotic behavior of the integrand J^{C_1} is given for $t_1 \rightarrow 0, t_2 \rightarrow -\infty$:

$$J(z_{10} + t_1, z_{20} + t_2) \simeq t_2^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

- Thus the integral K^{C_1} is very slowly convergent.

2-dim rotations and mappings



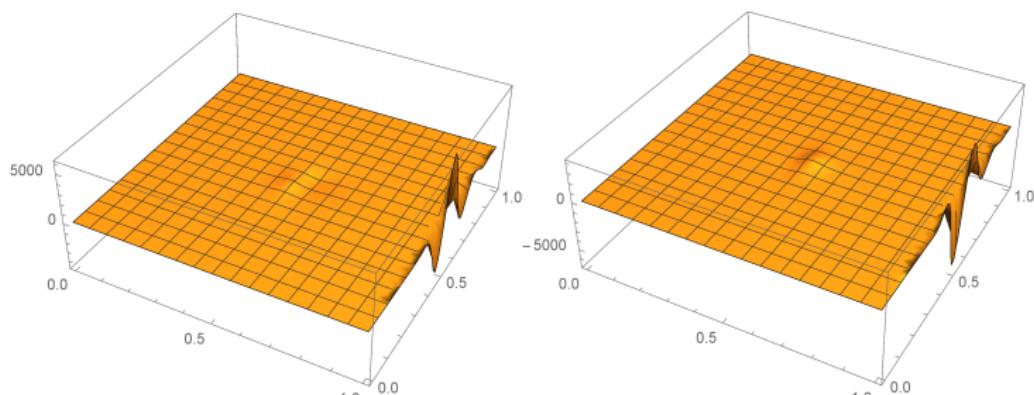
- The asymptotic behavior of the integrand J^{C_2} is like in the euclidean case.
- Both integrals K^{C_1} and K^{C_2} can be evaluated numerically, where $\theta = 0.7$.
- The numerical evaluation of K^{C_2} yields honest high accuracy.
- T_1 and T_2 are integration variables due to a tangents mapping: $t_i = 1 / \tan[-\pi T_i]$

Some chosen issues: mappings

$$I = \int_{-\frac{1}{3}-i\infty}^{-\frac{1}{3}+i\infty} dz_1 \int_{-\frac{2}{3}-i\infty}^{-\frac{2}{3}+i\infty} dz_2 \left(\frac{-s}{M_Z^2}\right)^{-z_1} \frac{\Gamma[-z_1]^3 \Gamma[1+z_1] \Gamma[z_1-z_2] \Gamma[-z_2]^3 \Gamma[1+z_2] \Gamma[1-z_1+z_2]}{s \Gamma[1-z_1]^2 \Gamma[-z_1-z_2] \Gamma[1+z_1-z_2]}$$

Logarithmic (in MB.m):

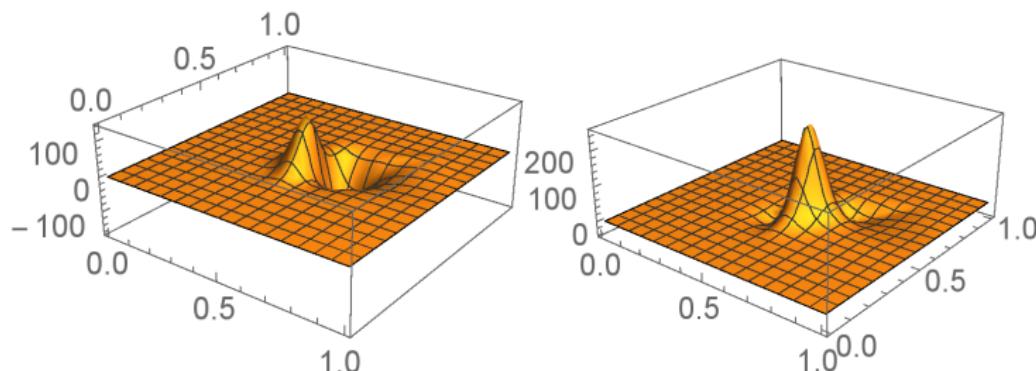
$$z_i = x_i + i \ln \left(\frac{t_i}{1-t_i} \right), \quad t_i \in (0, 1), \quad \text{the Jacobians : } J_i(t_i) = \frac{1}{t_i(1-t_i)}.$$



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Tangent (in MBnumerics.m):

$$z_i = x_i + i \frac{1}{\tan(-\pi t_i)}, \quad t_i \in (0, 1), \quad \text{the Jacobians : } J_i = \frac{\pi}{\sin^2 [(\pi t_i)]}.$$



In addition, $\Gamma \rightarrow e^{\ln \Gamma}$ improves numerical stability considerable, either.

Some chosen issues: Shifts

$$J(z_1, z_2) = \frac{2(-\frac{s}{M_Z^2})^{-z_1-z_2} \Gamma[-1 - z_1 - 2z_2] \Gamma[-z_1 - z_2] \Gamma[-z_2] \Gamma[1 + z_2]^3 \Gamma[1 + z_1 + z_2]}{s^2 \Gamma[1 - z_1]}$$

The integral is now a discrete function of the shift $\textcolor{red}{n}$:

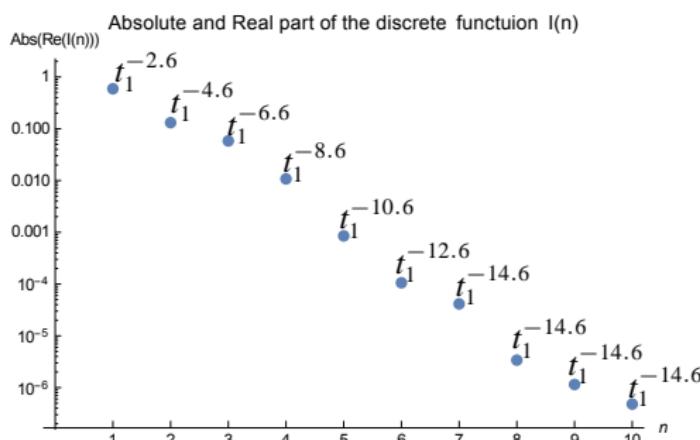
$$I^{C_1}(s, M_Z, \textcolor{red}{n}) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (i)^2 J(z_{10} + it_1, z_{20} + \textcolor{red}{n} + it_2) dt_1 dt_2, \quad z_{10} = 0, \quad z_{20} = -0.7$$

Worst asymptotic behavior for the integrand is for $t_1 \rightarrow -\infty, t_2 \rightarrow 0$:

$$J(z_{10} + it_1, z_{20} + \textcolor{red}{n} + it_2) \simeq t_1^{-2-2(z_{20}+n)}$$

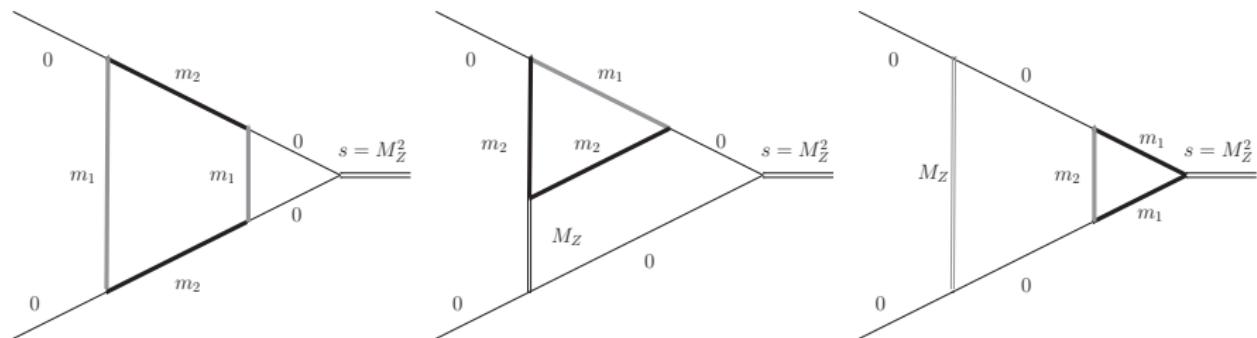
- For $n = 0$ and $z_{20} = -0.7$, the integrand $J(z_1, z_2)$ drops off like $t_1^{-0.6}$. This slow convergence is similar to the QED massive vertex, discussed above.
- At the kinematic point $s = 1 + i\epsilon, M_Z = 1, \epsilon$ is arbitrary small no contour deformation C_2 and C_3 will work.

Shifts

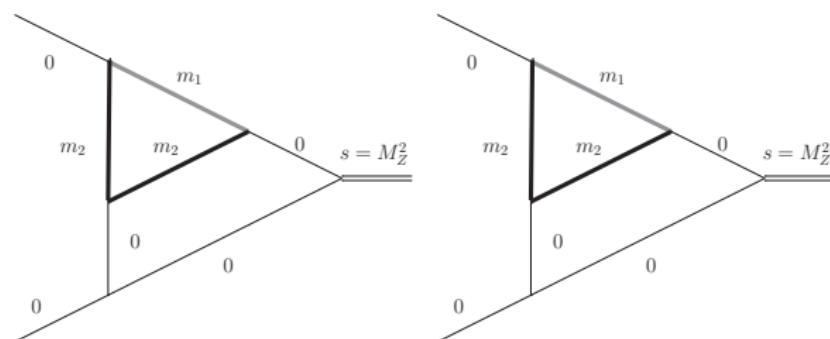


- The shifts improve the asymptotic behavior and reduce the order of magnitude of the integral $I^{C_1}(s, M_Z, \textcolor{red}{n})$.
- The absolute and imaginary part of $I^{C_1}(s, M_Z, \textcolor{red}{n})$ behaves similarly.
- Automatic algorithms for finding the suitable shifts and contour deformations are implemented in MBnumerics.m.

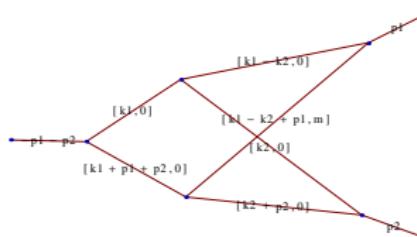
The most difficult cases (for sector decomposition)



Thresholds, $\{m_1, m_2\} = \{m_t, M_W\}$, 3 ÷ 5-dim MB



MB vs sector decomposition, see Tord's talk on Friday for more details



Euclidean results (constant part):

Analytical :	-0.4966198306057021
MB(Vegas) :	-0.4969417442183914
MB(Cuhre) :	-0.4966198313219404
FIESTA :	-0.4966184488196595
SecDec :	-0.4966192150541896

Results (constant part):

Analytical :	$-0.778599608979684 - 4.123512593396311 \cdot i$
MBnumerics :	$-0.778599608324769 - 4.123512600516016 \cdot i$
MB(Vegas) :	big error
MB(Cuhre) :	NaN
FIESTA :	big error
SecDec :	big error

Precision and time of evaluation

- 1 AMBRE: MB tensors of rank ≥ 5 , long expressions (many MB integrals), time consuming;
- 2 MBnumerics:
 - (i) time for the optimal contour (grid for thresholds, tails, etc);
 - (ii) integration;
- 3 Cuhre [Thomas Hahn]- not a Monte Carlo → decent precision can be obtained;
- 4 Present situation: max 5-dim MB integrals treatable; 8 digits achieved;

Conclusions

- 1 MB approach to Feynman integrals reached Minkowskian region;
- 2 Difficult cases like thresholds are also treatable;
- 3 Still there is a lot of space for improvements, tests;
- 4 For the $Z \rightarrow bb$, MBnumerics.m turned out to be a very strong and effective tool (see Tord's Friday talk);
- 5 Many places for potential applications;

Thank you for taking time!

Backup slides

Side remark: my last LL talk

- "Non-planar Feynman integrals, Mellin-Barnes representations, multiple sums",
J. Blümlein, I. Dubovyk, JG, M. Ochman, C. G. Raab, T. Riemann, C. Schneider
- Package **MBsums**,
M. Ochman, T.Riemann, arXiv:1511.01323
- "On convergent series representations of Mellin-Barnes integrals",
Samuel FRIOT, David GREYNAT, J.Math.Phys, 2012

Complicated sums, no much progress, we changed strategy into direction of numerical solutions

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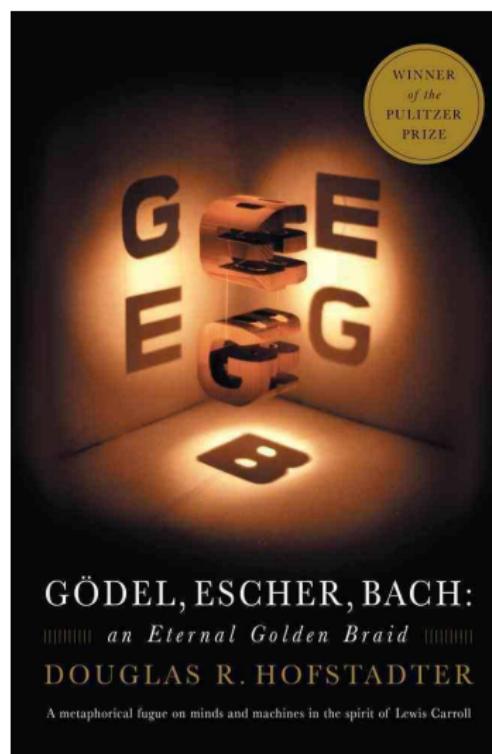
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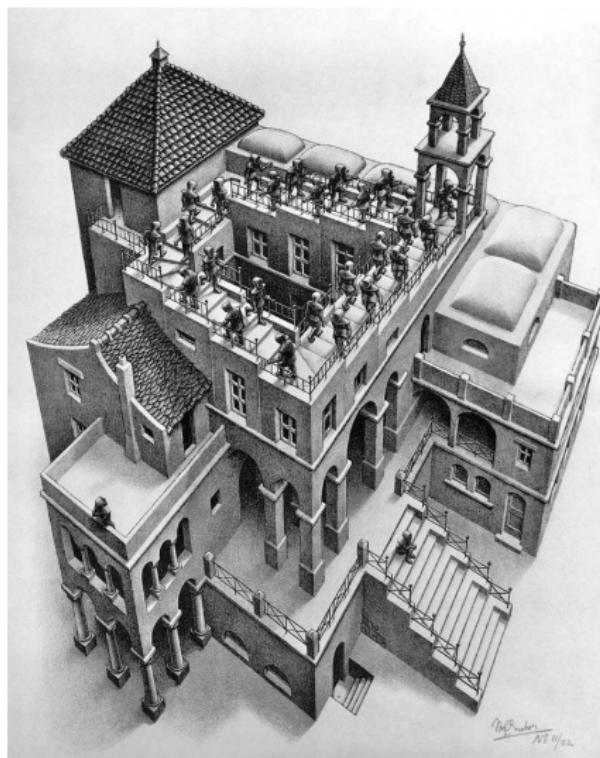
Bach in Leipzig



"Strange Loops is the concept of infinity, since what else is a loop but a way of representing an endless process in a finite way?"



Strange Loops, Escher: Ascending and descending



Strange Loops: The Royal Theme



"...Somehow Bach has contrived to modulate (change keys) right under the listener's nose. And it is so constructed that this "ending" ties smoothly onto the beginning again; thus one can repeat the process and return in the key of E, only to join again to the beginning. These successive modulations lead the ear to increasingly remote provinces of tonality, so that after several of them, one would expect to be hopelessly far away from the starting key. And yet magically, after exactly six such modulations, the original key of C minor has been restored!"