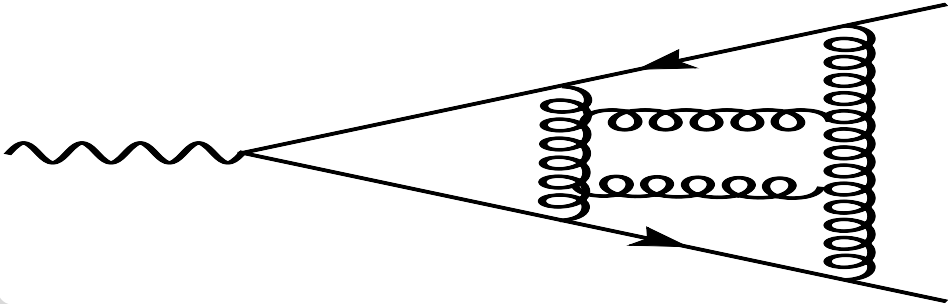


Four-loop form factors in QCD

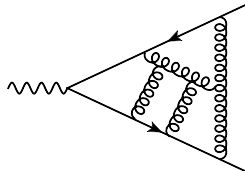
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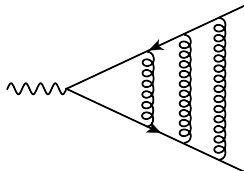


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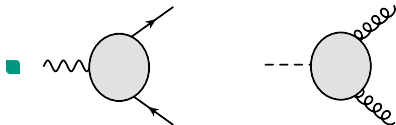
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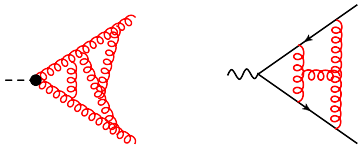
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Quark and gluon form factor



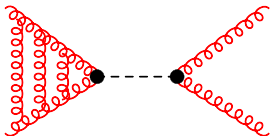
- building block for
Higgs production, Drell-Yan, heavy quark production,
forward-backward asymmetry, ...



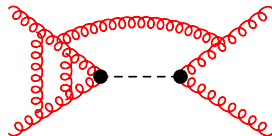
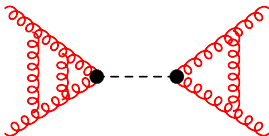
- IR poles \leftrightarrow real radiation
- simplest objects in QCD with non-trivial IR poles
- wanted: all-order formulae for IR structure of gauge theories

[Catani'98; ...; Becher,Neubert'09; Gardi,Magnea'09]

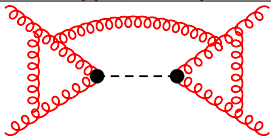
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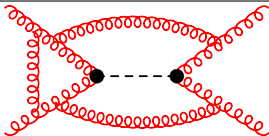
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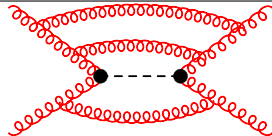
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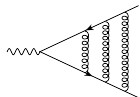
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IR structure of **massive** form factor

- F : UV-renormalized **massive** form factor



- $F = Z F^{\text{finite}}$

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$$q^2/m^2 = -(1-x)^2/x$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{massless FF: } \gamma_{\text{cusp}} \text{ from } 1/\epsilon^2 \text{ pole}$$

[γ_{cusp} : light-like cusp anom. dim.]

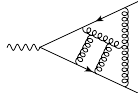
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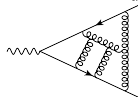
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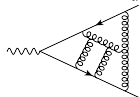
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⇒ predict poles of h.o. terms

[Mitov,Moch'01; Gluza,Mitov,Moch,Riemann'09; Ahmed,Henn,Steinhauser'17]

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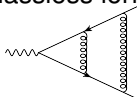
Answer: No!

[Boels, Huber, Yang'17; Moch, Ruijl, Ueda, Vermaseren, Vogt'17]

■ 4-loop $\gamma_{\text{cusp},g}$ enters $N^3\text{LL}$ resummations in Higgs production

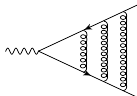
(see, e.g., [Bonvini, Marzani '14], ...)

■ massless form factor



[Kramer,Lampe'87; Matsuura,van der Marck,van Neerven'88;

Harlander'00; Ravindran,Smith,van Neerven'05; Gehrmann,Huber,Maitre'05]

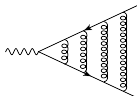


pole part: [Moch,Vermaseren,Vogt'05]

fermionic part: [Moch,Vermaseren,Vogt'05]

full: [Baikov,Chetyrkin,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'09]

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n_f^3 terms Higgs-gluon and photon-quark FF: [von Manteuffel,Schabinger'16]

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complete n_f^2 terms: [Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'17]

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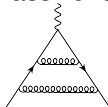
[Boels,Kniehl,Tarasov,Yang'12'16] numerical methods for MIs

■ γ_{cusp}

[Boels,Huber,Yang]: $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM, numerically

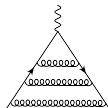
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[Bernreuther,Bonciani,Gehrmann,Heinesch,Leineweber,Mastrolia,Remiddi'04'05]

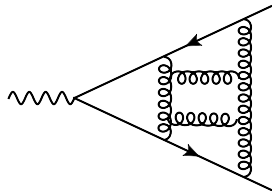
$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ [Gluza,Mitov,Moch,Riemann'09]



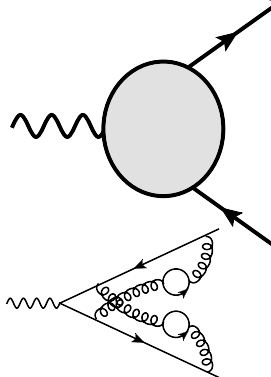
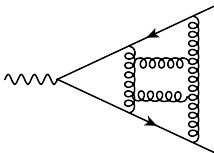
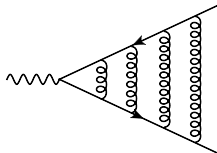
large- N_c : [Henn,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'16]

- Γ_{cusp} known to 3 loops [Korchemsky,Radyushkin'87], [Grozin,Henn,Korchemsky,Marquard'14'15]
 1 colour structure at 4 loops ($n_l(d_F^{abcd})^2$) for $\theta \rightarrow 0$: [Grozin,Henn,Stahlhofen'17]

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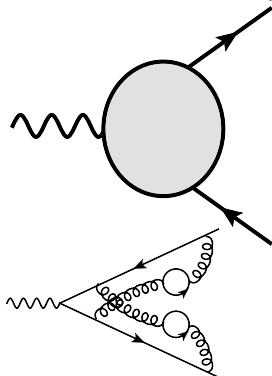
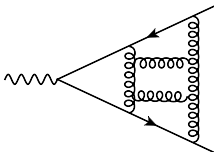
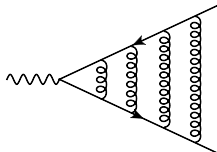
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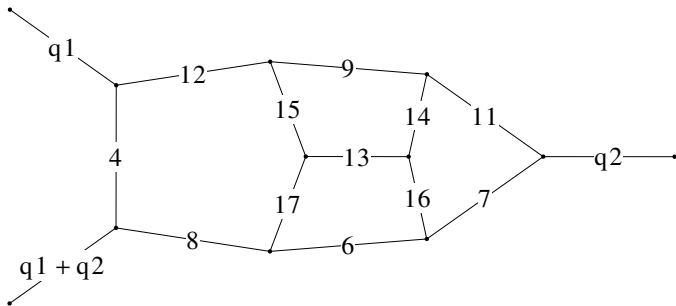
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2. Compute master integrals

Planar: reduction to master integrals

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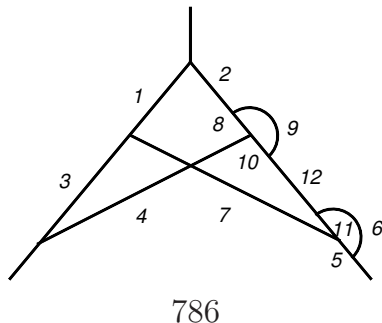
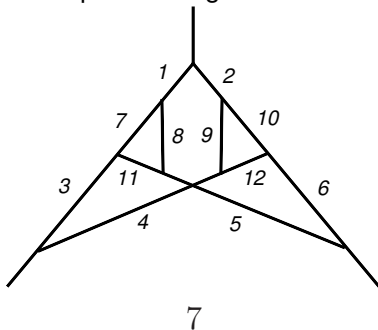


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- $12 + 6 = 18$ indices
- $\mathcal{O}(1\,000\,000)$ integrals for $\xi = 0$ (Feynman gauge)
- $\mathcal{O}(3\,000\,000)$ integrals ξ^1 terms (fermionic part only)
- reduction time: $\mathcal{O}(\text{months})$
- tsort [Pak,Smirnov] \Leftrightarrow 99 MIs

n_f^2 : reduction to master integrals

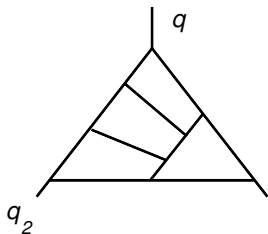
[Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'17]

- FIRE [Smirnov] \oplus LiteRed [Lee]
- 2 non-planar integral families



- 26 + 40 MIs \Leftrightarrow 24 non-planar MIs

Computation of MIs



$$q^2 \neq 0$$

$$q_2^2 = (q_2 + q)^2 = 0$$

idea 1: $q_2^2 \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{q_2^2}{q^2}$

[Henn,Smirnov,Smirnov'14]

consider system of differential equations in x

- boundary conditions for $x = 1 \Leftrightarrow$ integrals “simple”
- get result for $x = 0$

idea 2: use **canonical basis** where differential equations have the form

$$g'(x, \epsilon) = \epsilon A(x) \cdot g(x, \epsilon)$$

[Henn'13; Henn'14]

$$A(x) = \frac{a}{x} + \frac{b}{x-1}$$

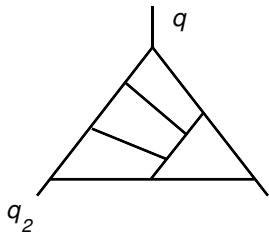
[Lee'14]

[Gituliar,Magerya'16; Meyer'16; Prausa'17]

solution: iterated integrals \Leftrightarrow harmonic polylogarithms (HPLs)

[Remiddi,Vermaseren'99][Maitre'05]

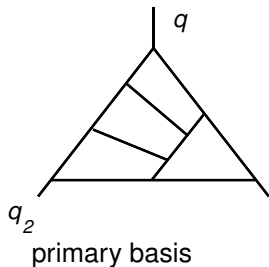
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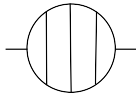
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4-loop

2-point functions

[Baikov, Chetyrkin, Kühn'05'08; ...;
Lee, Smirnov, Smirnov'11]



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↓
get $x = 0$ result (“naïve”):

1. $g_{x \rightarrow 0} = x^{\epsilon a} h(\epsilon)$ a: 332×332 matrix
↔ $x^{\epsilon a}$ is 332×332 matrix; each element is linear
combination of $x^{k\epsilon}$ terms with $k \leq 0$

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- match 1. and 2.
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Computation of MIs: more details

primary basis

canonical basis

$$f(x, \epsilon) \xrightarrow{f=T \cdot g \text{ [Lee'14]}}$$

$$g(x, \epsilon)$$

solve in terms of HPLs
boundary conditions for $x = 1$:

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$$\Leftrightarrow \text{get } x^{0\epsilon} \text{ terms} \hat{=} \text{“naive”}$$


$$\xleftarrow{f=T \cdot g}$$

$$f(0, \epsilon)$$


332 MIs

76 MIs

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{99} = & e^{4\epsilon\gamma_E} \left(\frac{\mu^2}{-q^2} \right)^{4\epsilon} \left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon^7} \left[-\frac{1}{288} \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon^6} \left[\frac{13}{576} \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon^5} \left[-\frac{101}{576} - \frac{\pi^2}{48} \right] \right. \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon^4} \left[-\frac{17\zeta_3}{54} + \frac{5\pi^2}{36} + \frac{145}{96} \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} \left[\frac{1775\zeta_3}{432} - \frac{767\pi^4}{17280} - \frac{5\pi^2}{8} - \frac{1669}{144} \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left[-\frac{83}{72}\pi^2\zeta_3 - \frac{21899\zeta_3}{864} - \frac{3659\zeta_5}{360} + \frac{31333\pi^4}{103680} + \frac{659\pi^2}{288} + \frac{11243}{144} \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[-\frac{40231\zeta_3^2}{1296} + \frac{745\pi^2\zeta_3}{288} + \frac{18751\zeta_3}{144} + \frac{50191\zeta_5}{360} - \frac{277703\pi^6}{2177280} - \frac{14015\pi^4}{10368} \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{149\pi^2}{24} - \frac{22757}{48} \right] \\
 & + \left[\frac{39173\zeta_3^2}{324} - \frac{77399\pi^4\zeta_3}{25920} + \frac{4013\pi^2\zeta_3}{432} - \frac{259559\zeta_3}{432} - \frac{568\pi^2\zeta_5}{45} - \frac{1123223\zeta_5}{1440} \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{2778103\zeta_7}{4032} + \frac{3129533\pi^6}{4354560} + \frac{28201\pi^4}{5760} + \frac{173\pi^2}{36} + \frac{382375}{144} \right] \\
 & + \epsilon \left[\frac{4931s_{8a}}{30} + \frac{2615}{144}\pi^2\zeta_3^2 - \frac{276671\zeta_3^2}{2592} - \frac{2702413\zeta_5\zeta_3}{1080} + \frac{154037\pi^4\zeta_3}{31104} \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{55491\pi^2\zeta_5}{205} - \frac{205\pi^2\zeta_7}{155029} - \frac{2732549\zeta_7}{665217829} - \frac{81818\pi^8}{81818} \right]
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& + \frac{1}{\epsilon^4} \left[-\frac{17\zeta_3}{54} + \frac{5\pi^2}{36} + \frac{145}{96} \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} \left[\frac{1775\zeta_3}{432} - \frac{767\pi^4}{17280} - \frac{5\pi^2}{8} - \frac{1669}{144} \right] \\
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& \left. - \frac{131003\pi^6}{45360} - \frac{747929\pi^4}{51840} + \frac{2995\pi^2}{36} - \frac{2005247}{144} \right] \Bigg\}
\end{aligned}$$



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$$\zeta_{m_1, \dots, m_k} = \sum_{i_1=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i_2=1}^{i_1-1} \cdots \sum_{i_k=1}^{i_{k-1}-1} \prod_{j=1}^k \frac{\text{sgn}(m_j)^{i_j}}{i_j^{|m_j|}}$$

Pole part of $\log(F_q)$

$\log(F_q)|_{\text{pole part}} =$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left[-\frac{1}{2} C_F \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^0 \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\gamma_q^0 \right] \right\} \\
& + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right)^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} \left[\frac{3}{8} \beta_0 C_F \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^0 \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \beta_0 \gamma_q^0 - \frac{1}{8} C_F \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^1 \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{\gamma_q^1}{2} \right] \right\} \\
& + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right)^3 \left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon^4} \left[-\frac{11}{36} \beta_0^2 C_F \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^0 \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} \left[C_F \left(\frac{2}{9} \beta_1 \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^0 + \frac{5}{36} \beta_0 \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^1 \right) + \frac{1}{3} \beta_0^2 \gamma_q^0 \right] \right. \\
& + \left. \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left[-\frac{1}{3} \beta_1 \gamma_q^0 - \frac{1}{3} \beta_0 \gamma_q^1 - \frac{1}{18} C_F \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^2 \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{\gamma_q^2}{3} \right] \right\} \\
& + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right)^4 \left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon^5} \left[\frac{25}{96} \beta_0^3 C_F \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^0 \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon^4} \left[C_F \left(-\frac{13}{96} \beta_0^2 \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^1 - \frac{5}{12} \beta_1 \beta_0 \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^0 \right) - \frac{1}{4} \beta_0^3 \gamma_q^0 \right] \right. \\
& + \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} \left[C_F \left(\frac{5}{32} \beta_2 \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^0 + \frac{3}{32} \beta_1 \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^1 + \frac{7}{96} \beta_0 \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^2 \right) + \frac{1}{4} \beta_0^2 \gamma_q^1 + \frac{1}{2} \beta_1 \beta_0 \gamma_q^0 \right] \\
& + \left. \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left[-\frac{1}{4} \beta_2 \gamma_q^0 - \frac{1}{4} \beta_1 \gamma_q^1 - \frac{1}{4} \beta_0 \gamma_q^2 - \frac{1}{32} C_F \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^3 \right] + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left[\frac{\gamma_q^3}{4} \right] \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_{\text{cusp}}^0 &= 4, \\ \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^1 &= \left(\frac{268}{9} - \frac{4\pi^2}{3} \right) C_A - \frac{40n_f}{9}, \\ \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^2 &= C_A^2 \left(\frac{88\zeta_3}{3} + \frac{44\pi^4}{45} - \frac{536\pi^2}{27} + \frac{490}{3} \right) \\ &\quad + n_f \left[C_A \left(-\frac{112\zeta_3}{3} + \frac{80\pi^2}{27} - \frac{836}{27} \right) + C_F \left(32\zeta_3 - \frac{110}{3} \right) \right] - \frac{16n_f^2}{27}\end{aligned}$$

3 loops: [Vogt'00;Berger'02;Moch,Vermaseren,Vogt'04;...]

4 loops: complete n_f^2 , rest large- N_c

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma_{\text{cusp}}^3 = & + \left(\frac{128\pi^2\zeta_3}{9} + 224\zeta_5 - \frac{44\pi^4}{27} - \frac{16252\zeta_3}{27} + \frac{13346\pi^2}{243} - \frac{39883}{81} \right) N_c^2 n_f + \left(-32\zeta_3^2 \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{176\pi^2\zeta_3}{9} + \frac{20992\zeta_3}{27} - 352\zeta_5 - \frac{292\pi^6}{315} + \frac{902\pi^4}{45} - \frac{44416\pi^2}{243} + \frac{84278}{81} \right) N_c^3 \\
 & + n_f^2 \left[C_A \left(\frac{2240\zeta_3}{27} - \frac{56\pi^4}{135} - \frac{304\pi^2}{243} + \frac{923}{81} \right) + C_F \left(-\frac{640\zeta_3}{9} + \frac{16\pi^4}{45} + \frac{2392}{81} \right) \right] \\
 & + \left(\frac{64\zeta_3}{27} - \frac{32}{81} \right) n_f^3
 \end{aligned}$$

4 loops, n_f^3 : [Gracey'04; Beneke,Braun'95; von Manteuffel,Schabinger'16]

4 loop, n_f^2 : [Ruijl,Ueda,Vermaseren,Davies,Vogt'16; Moch,Ruijl,Ueda,Vermaseren,Vogt'17]

4 loop, numerical: [Moch,Ruijl,Ueda,Vermaseren,Vogt'17]

γ_q n_f^2 complete, rest large- N_c

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma_q^3 = & \left(-\frac{680\zeta_3^2}{9} - \frac{1567\pi^6}{20412} + \frac{83\pi^2\zeta_3}{9} + \frac{557\zeta_5}{9} + \frac{3557\pi^4}{19440} - \frac{94807\zeta_3}{972} + \frac{354343\pi^2}{17496} \right. \\
& + \left. \frac{145651}{1728} \right) N_c^3 n_f + \left(\frac{1175\zeta_3^2}{9} + \frac{82\pi^4\zeta_3}{45} - \frac{377\pi^2\zeta_3}{6} + \frac{867397\zeta_3}{972} + 24\pi^2\zeta_5 \right. \\
& - 1489\zeta_5 + 705\zeta_7 + \frac{114967\pi^6}{204120} - \frac{59509\pi^4}{9720} - \frac{120659\pi^2}{17496} - \left. \frac{187905439}{839808} \right) N_c^4 \\
& + n_f^2 \left[\left(-\frac{64}{27}\pi^2\zeta_3 - \frac{7436\zeta_3}{243} + \frac{592\zeta_5}{9} - \frac{19\pi^4}{135} - \frac{41579\pi^2}{8748} + \frac{97189}{34992} \right) C_A C_F \right. \\
& + \left. \left(\frac{56\pi^2\zeta_3}{27} + \frac{2116\zeta_3}{81} - \frac{520\zeta_5}{9} + \frac{1004\pi^4}{1215} - \frac{493\pi^2}{81} - \frac{9965}{972} \right) C_F^2 \right] \\
& + \left(-\frac{712\zeta_3}{243} - \frac{16\pi^4}{1215} - \frac{4\pi^2}{81} + \frac{18691}{6561} \right) C_F n_f^3
\end{aligned}$$

4 loops, n_f^3 : [von Manteuffel, Schabinger'16]

$\log(F_q)$

n_f^2 complete, rest large- N_c

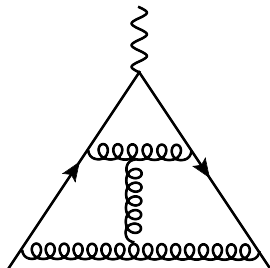
$\log(F_q)|_{\text{large-}N_c, \text{ finite part}}^{(4)} =$

$$N_c^2 \left(-14s_{8a} + 10\pi^2\zeta_3^2 - \frac{86647\zeta_3^2}{54} + 766\zeta_5\zeta_3 - \frac{251\pi^4\zeta_3}{6480} - \frac{57271\pi^2\zeta_3}{1296} + \frac{173732459\zeta_3}{23328} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1517\pi^2\zeta_5}{216} - \frac{881867\zeta_5}{1080} - \frac{36605\zeta_7}{288} + \frac{674057\pi^8}{5443200} - \frac{135851\pi^6}{77760} + \frac{386729\pi^4}{31104} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{429317557\pi^2}{839808} - \frac{54900768805}{6718464} \right) + \dots$$

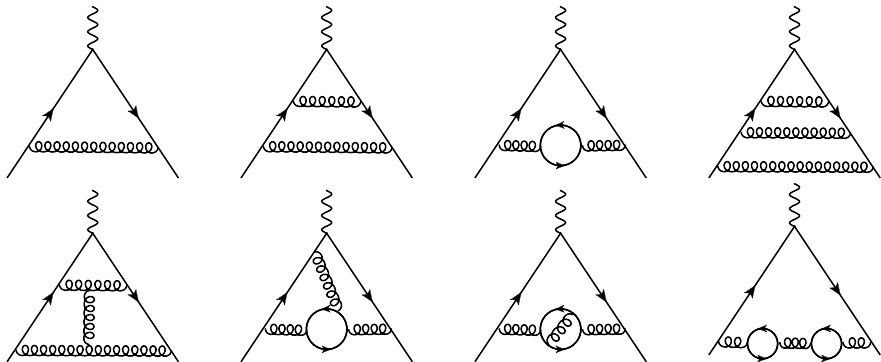
$\log(F_q)|_{n_f^2, n_f^3, \text{ finite part}}^{(4)} =$

$$+ n_f^2 \left[\left(-\frac{1714\zeta_3^2}{3} - \frac{218\pi^2\zeta_3}{9} \right. \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2897315\zeta_3}{486} + \frac{150886\zeta_5}{135} - \frac{709\pi^6}{17010} - \frac{1861\pi^4}{2430} - \frac{5825827\pi^2}{7776} - \frac{3325501813}{279936} \right) C_A C_F \\ \left. + \left(\frac{2702\zeta_3^2}{3} + \frac{1820\pi^2\zeta_3}{27} - \frac{859249\zeta_3}{162} + \frac{1580\zeta_5}{3} + \frac{17609\pi^6}{17010} + \frac{1141\pi^4}{1620} + \frac{76673\pi^2}{243} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - \frac{25891301}{11664} \right) C_F^2 \right] + \left(-\frac{410}{243}\pi^2\zeta_3 - \frac{20828\zeta_3}{243} - \frac{2194\zeta_5}{135} + \frac{1661\pi^4}{2430} + \frac{145115\pi^2}{4374} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{10739263}{17496} \right) C_F n_f^3$$

III. Massive form factor



Massive photon quark form factor

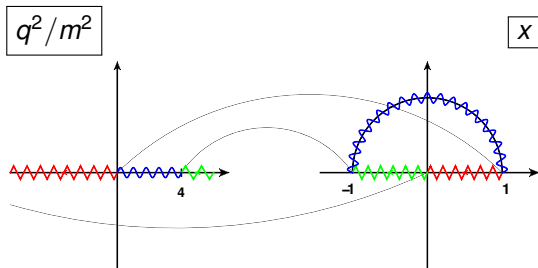


$$\Gamma^\mu(q_1, q_2) = F_1(q^2)\gamma^\mu - \frac{i}{2m}F_2(q^2)\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_\nu$$

aim: $F_1(q^2)$ and $F_2(q^2)$ up to 3 loops, large- N_c limit
 [1 loop less but massive quarks]

$$\frac{q^2}{m^2} = -\frac{(1-x)^2}{x}$$

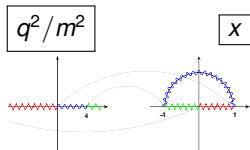
$x \rightarrow 0$	high energy:	$q^2 \rightarrow -\infty$
$x \rightarrow -1$	threshold:	$q^2 \rightarrow 4m^2$
$x \rightarrow 1$	low energy:	$q^2 \rightarrow 0$



Computation of MIs

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 x \rightarrow 0 & \text{high energy:} & q^2 \rightarrow -\infty \\
 x \rightarrow -1 & \text{threshold:} & q^2 \rightarrow 4m^2 \\
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 \end{array}$$

[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov'16]



- system of diff. eqs. for MIs in x
- canonical basis:

$$g'(x, \epsilon) = \epsilon A(x) \cdot g(x, \epsilon)$$

$$A(x) = \frac{a_1}{x} + \frac{a_2}{1+x} + \frac{a_3}{1-x} + \frac{a_4}{1-x+x^2}$$

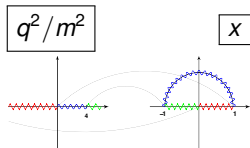
$$q^2 \rightarrow -\infty, \quad q^2 \rightarrow 4m^2, \quad q^2 \rightarrow 0, \quad q^2 = m^2$$

new at 3 loops

Computation of MIs

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[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov'16]



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new at 3 loops

- solution: iterative integrals

- $1 - x + x^2 = (x - r_1)(x - r_2)$

$$r_{1/2} = (1 \pm \sqrt{3}i)/2 = e^{\pm i\pi/3}$$

6th root of unity

⇒ Goncharov polylogarithms

[Goncharov'98]

$$G(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n; z) = \int_0^z \frac{dt}{t - \alpha_1} G(\alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n; z)$$

Analytic result

... in terms of Goncharov polylogarithms up to transcendental weight 6.

[Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser'16]

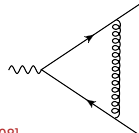
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[Henn,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'16]

Analytic **expansions** in kinematical limits:

- $q^2 \rightarrow -\infty, x \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow$ resummations
- $q^2 \rightarrow 0, x \rightarrow 1 \Leftrightarrow (g-2)_{\text{quark}}$ [Grozin,Marquard,Piclum,Steinhauser'08]
- $q^2 \rightarrow 4m^2, x \rightarrow -1 \Leftrightarrow$ threshold cross section



$$x = \frac{2\beta}{1+\beta} - 1$$

$$\beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m^2}{s}}$$

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Q\bar{Q})$$

finite! (real rad. has rel. factor β^3)

$$= \sigma_0 \beta \left[|F_1 + F_2|^2 + \frac{|(1 - \beta^2)F_1 + F_2|^2}{2(1 - \beta^2)} \right]$$

$$= \sigma_0 \frac{3\beta}{2} \left[1 - \frac{\beta^2}{3} + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \Delta^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right)^2 \Delta^{(2)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \right)^3 \Delta^{(3)} + \dots \right]$$

$$\Delta^{(1)} = N_c \left[\frac{\pi^2}{\beta} - 8 + \beta \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \right] + \dots; \Delta^{(3)} = \{N_c^3, N_c^2 n_l, N_c n_l^2\} \text{ including } 1/\beta$$

agreement with [Pineda,Signer'07],...,[Kiyo,Maier,Maierhöfer,Marquard'09]

- massless 4-loop photon quark vertex
 - large- N_c limit
 - planar and non-planar n_f^2 (also for Higgs-quark FF)
 - γ_{cusp} and γ_q
- massive 3-loop photon quark vertex in large- N_c limit
- canonical basis for MIs
- 4-loop results for all planar families (99 MIs)
and 2 non-planar families (24 non-planar MIs)
- solution in terms of iterated integrals
(HPLs, Goncharov polylogarithms)