

Classical integrals beyond the conservative region

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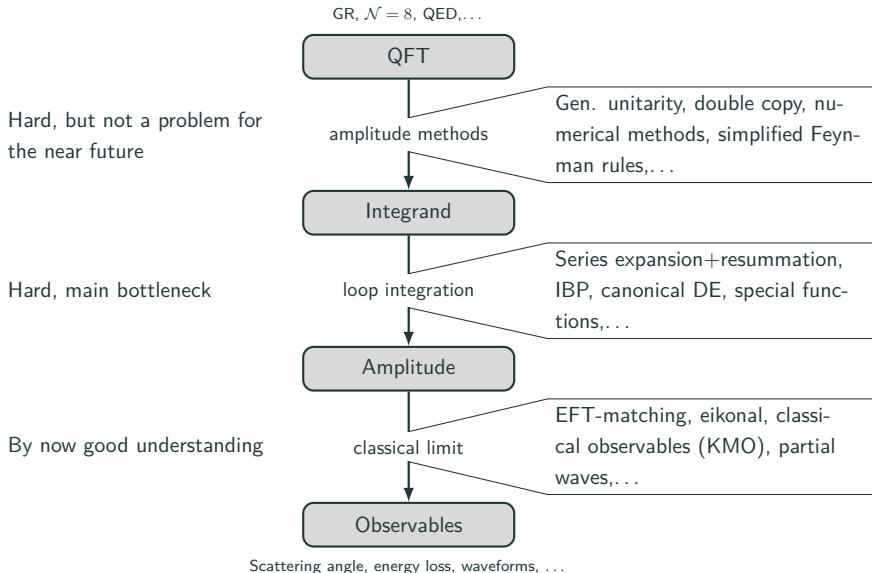
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See also Julio Parra-Martinez' talk

- Next-gen. experiment (ET, CE, ...) with order-of-magnitude improvement in S/N ratio
- In the future, high precision will be key
- Approach to obtain PM-expansion using amplitude methods by now mature
- Multi-loop PM-computations available [Bern, Cheung, Roiban, Shen, Solon, Zeng ('19); Cheung and Solon ('20); Källin, Liu, Porto ('20)]
- Spirit to import as much as possible from the knowledge acquired in perturbative QCD very successful

Amplitude-to-observable pipeline



Integrands from numerical unitarity


- Automated C++-framework to compute multiloop amplitudes by numerical unitarity [Abreu, Dormans, Febres Cordero, Ita, Kraus, Page, MR, Sotnikov ('20)]
- Use finite field methods and functional reconstruction
- Most powerful when final results simple (e.g. 3PM angle)
- Power shown by computing 2-loop 4-graviton amplitudes [Abreu, Febres Cordero, Ita, Jaquier, Page, MR, Sotnikov ('20)]
- Full quantum, much more than we need for classical physics!
- Geared towards automation and high orders



Caravel

Integrals for $2 \rightarrow 2$ scattering

- Integrals common to all approaches (although sometimes one may avoid certain integrals)
- $2 \rightarrow 2$ scattering with masses, four scales ($s, t = q^2, m_1, m_2$)
- Typical integral:

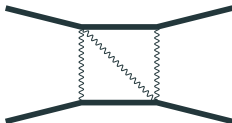


The diagram shows a scattering process with two incoming particles (momenta p_1 and p_2) and two outgoing particles (momenta p'_1 and p'_2). The particles are represented by thick black lines. Two wavy lines connect the internal vertices, representing an exchange of a particle with momentum ℓ . An arrow on the left wavy line indicates the direction of momentum flow.

$$= \int \frac{d^D \ell}{\ell^2 (\ell - q)^2 ((\ell + p_1)^2 - m_1^2) ((\ell - p_2)^2 - m_2^2)}$$

Integrals for $2 \rightarrow 2$ scattering

- Not all integrals for Bhabha scattering at 2 loops known (not even planar!)
- "N integral" is elliptic [Heller, Manteuffel, Schabinger ('19); Broedel, Duhr, Dulat, Penante, Tancredi ('19)]



- We are only interested in the "classical" part of these integrals.

Integrals the BCRSSZ way

- BCRSSZ introduced a method to compute integrals in the potential region
- Works great at 2 loops. But some drawbacks:
 - IR-divergent part not evaluated, but has to cancel with identical term in the EFT
 - Relies on guessing functions based on series expansion
 - Not manifestly Lorentz-invariant
 - Very challenging at higher loop orders
- Let's do the integrals as we would in perturbative QCD!

Strategy: use differential equations + method of regions

Expansion-by-region [Beneke, Smirnov ('98)]

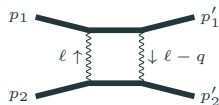
- Hierarchy of scales in classical limit:

$$1 \ll J^2 \sim \frac{s}{q^2} \sim \frac{m_i^2}{q^2} \quad \rightarrow \quad q^2 \ll m_i^2 \sim s$$

- Relativistic regions:

hard: $\ell \sim m$ \leftarrow short range, UV

soft: $\ell \sim q$ \leftarrow classical physics



- Soft region further splits $|\mathbf{v}| = q^0/|\mathbf{q}|$

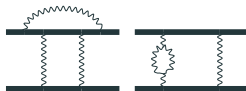
potential: $(\omega, \ell) \sim (|\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{v}|, |\mathbf{q}|) \leftarrow$ conservative dynamics

radiation: $(\omega, \ell) \sim (|\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{v}|, |\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{v}|)$

Let's not split the soft region !

Soft vs. potential region

- 👍 Captures dissipate effects
- 👍 Manifestly relativistic (no resummation)
- 👍 Straightforward to use dim-reg
- 👍 Avoids artifacts from splitting regions (tail effects)
- 👎 Additional contributions (must upgrade BCRSSZ integrand)

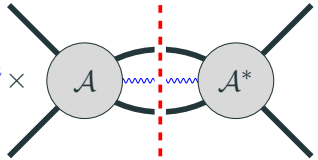


- 👎 Need more general way to extract classical physics (beyond potential in EFT)
Use KMO (here) or eikonal (talks by Heissenberg, Veneziano)

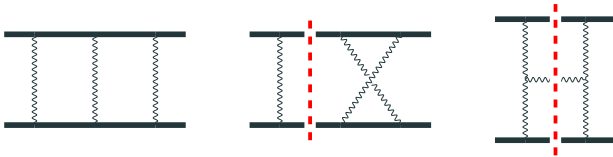
KMO formalism [Kosower, Maybee, O'Connell ('19)]

- Appropriate observables have smooth classical limit
- Example: LO (3PM) radiated momentum

$$R^\mu = \int d^D q \delta(2p_1 \cdot q) \delta(2p_2 \cdot q) e^{ib \cdot q} k^\mu \times$$



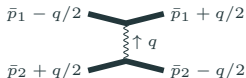
- In general we need virtual integrals and integrals with cuts



Soft expansion

- Sudakov-parametrization manifest q -scaling

$$u_i = \frac{\bar{p}_i}{|\bar{p}_i|}, \quad u_i \cdot q = 0, \quad u_1 \cdot u_2 = y = \sigma + \mathcal{O}(q^2).$$



- Matter propagators eikonalize

$$(\ell - p_1)^2 - m_1^2 = 2m_1(u_1 \cdot \ell) + \mathcal{O}(q^2)$$

- Mass scale factors, q -dependence fixed by dimensional analysis

$$\mathcal{I}(q^2, y) = (-q^2)^\alpha \tilde{\mathcal{I}}(y)$$

Only a single variable to all orders in the PM-expansion!

- Box integral after expansion

$$\mathcal{I}_{\square}^{\text{soft}} \simeq \frac{(-q^2)^{D/2-3}}{4m_1m_2} \underbrace{\left[(-q^2)^{-D/2+3} \int \frac{d^D \ell}{\ell^2(\ell - q)^2(u_1 \cdot \ell)(-u_2 \cdot \ell)} \right]}_{\tilde{\mathcal{I}}(y)}$$

- Integrals reduced to a finite set of *master* integrals using IBP-identities

$$\int d^D \ell \frac{\partial}{\partial \ell^\mu} \left[\frac{v^\mu}{\ell^2(\ell - q)^2 \dots} \right] = 0$$

- Various public implementations (KIRA, FIRE, Reduze, ...)
- Compute single-scale master integrals by differential equations

Canonical differential equations

[Kotikov, Remiddi, Gehrmann ('91),('98),('99); Henn ('13)]

Method is divided into steps

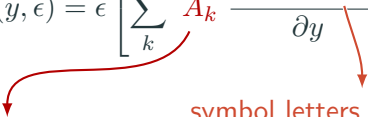
1. Computing the differential equations (DE)
2. Finding a good basis; desirable canonical form
3. Computing boundary conditions (BND)
4. Integrating the system

Canonical differential equations

[Kotikov, Remiddi, Gehrmann ('91),('98),('99); Henn ('13)]

- Most powerful in canonical form [Henn ('13)]

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \vec{\mathcal{I}}(y, \epsilon) = \epsilon \left[\sum_k A_k \frac{\partial \log(w_k(y))}{\partial y} \right] \vec{\mathcal{I}}(y, \epsilon)$$



matrix of rational numbers symbol letters (singularities)

- Single-variable problem automatized [Lee ('14)] (We used the program Epsilon [Prausa ('17)])
- At most logarithmic singularities
- Solved iteratively by multiple polylogarithms

Example DE at 1 loop

- At 1 loop system of 3 master integrals

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \\ \text{Diagram 2} \\ \text{Diagram 3} \end{array} \right] = \epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \underbrace{\log \left(\frac{y + \sqrt{y^2 + 1}}{y - \sqrt{y^2 + 1}} \right)}_{=2 \operatorname{arccosh} y} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \\ \text{Diagram 2} \\ \text{Diagram 3} \end{array} \right]$$

- Can be integrated to all orders in ϵ :

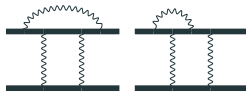
$$\text{Diagram 1} = \epsilon \operatorname{arccosh} y \times \text{Diagram 2} + \text{BND}$$

- BND have to be provided. Fixes the region
- E.g. potential BND conditions \implies potential integral

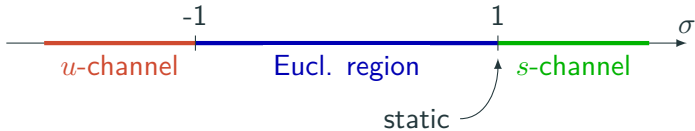
Soft Integrals

[Di Vecchia, Heissenberg, Russo, Veneziano; Hermann, Parra-Martinez, MR, Zeng]

- Canonical basis known [Parra-Martinez, MR, Zeng ('20)]
- Additional master integrals (top-level mushroom integrals)



- s and u -channel related through analytic continuation



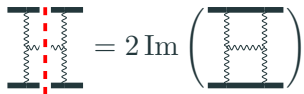
- Regularity at $\sigma = 0$ (trivial at 2 loops; constraints at 3 loops)
- More checks (numerically with e.g. PySecDec; Integrals are real in Euclidean region)

Reverse unitarity [Anastasiou, Melnikov ('02)]

- Reverse unitarity: cut integrals satisfy same IBP and DE

$$2\pi i \delta(2u \cdot \ell) = \frac{1}{2u \cdot \ell - i\epsilon} - \frac{1}{2u \cdot \ell + i\epsilon}$$

- Sufficient set of BND conditions from unitarity and static limit



The diagram shows a cut integral on the left, represented by a vertical dashed red line between two horizontal black bars, with wavy lines connecting them. This is equal to $2 \operatorname{Im}$ of a loop integral on the right, which is a square loop with wavy lines and horizontal black bars at the top and bottom.

- Trivial example:



The diagram shows a cut integral on the left, equal to $\epsilon \operatorname{arccosh} y \times 0 +$ a bracketed cut integral on the right, which is then approximated by a bracketed loop integral on the far right. The cut integral has a vertical dashed red line and wavy lines. The loop integral is a square loop with wavy lines. The far right term is a circular loop with wavy lines. The dimension $D=3-2\epsilon$ is indicated at the bottom right.

Conclusions

- Integrals are a main bottleneck moving forward in the PM-expansion (common to all approaches)
- Powerful approach: method of regions + canonical DE
- Computed all integrals relevant at the 2 loop order (virtual/cut, potential/soft)
- Can compute generic “inclusive enough” observable.
- All integrals from *same* DE; different BND conditions
- Methods are scalable, ready for 3 loops.
- New result for radiated energy at $\mathcal{O}(G^3)$ (see Parra-Martinez' talk)