

Three-loop planar integrals for four-point one-mass processes

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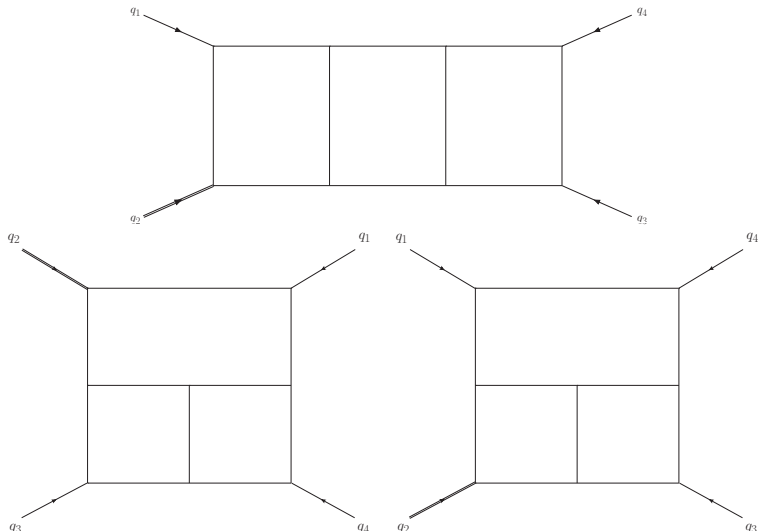
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- This talk: **Analytic results for all three-loop planar master integrals (ladder & tennis-court topologies) with one massive leg for scattering kinematics.**

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Integral families (F1, F2, F3)



Master integrals and kinematics

- 117(F2) and 166(F3) master integrals (KIRA2, FIRE6).
- $\sum_{i=1}^4 q_i = 0$, $q_2^2 = m^2$, $q_i^2 = 0$ for $i = 1, 3, 4$.
- $S_{12} = (q_1 + q_2)^2$, $S_{23} = (q_2 + q_3)^2$, $S_{13} = m^2 - S_{12} - S_{23}$.
- Euclidean region: $S_{12} < 0$, $S_{23} < 0$, $m^2 < 0$.
- Scattering kinematics

$$\text{s-channel : } m^2 > 0, \quad S_{12} \geq m^2, \quad S_{23} \leq 0, \quad S_{13} \leq 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{t-channel : } m^2 > 0, \quad S_{12} \leq 0, \quad S_{23} \geq m^2, \quad S_{13} \leq 0 \quad (2)$$

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Main steps

- Construct a canonical basis¹ \mathbf{g} .
- Apply the Simplified Differential Equations approach².
- Compute necessary boundary terms.
- Results in terms of GPLs (MPLs) and analytic continuation.

$$\mathcal{G}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n; x) = \int_0^x \frac{dt}{t - a_1} \mathcal{G}(a_2, \dots, a_n; t) \quad (4)$$

$$\mathcal{G}(0, \dots, 0; x) = \frac{1}{n!} \log^n(x) \quad (5)$$

¹Henn, Phys. Rev. Lett. **110** (2013), 251601.

²Papadopoulos, JHEP **07** (2014), 088

Canonical basis

- Up to seven propagators: Magnus series expansions³ (Federico Gasparotto, Luca Mattiazzi).
- Up to nine propagators: Mathematica package DlogBasis⁴.
- Top sector: Analyse leading singularities in 4D loop-by-loop and use known 1-,2-loop results as building blocks⁵.

³Argeri et al., JHEP **03** (2014), 082.

⁴Henn, Mistlberger, Smirnov, Wasser, JHEP04(2020)167.

⁵P. Wasser, PhD thesis.

Simplified Differential Equations (SDE)

- Parametrise the external momenta by introducing a dimensionless parameter x in the following manner

$$q_1 = xp_1, \quad q_2 = p_1 + p_2 - xp_1, \quad q_3 = p_3, \quad q_4 = p_4 \quad (6)$$

with $\sum_{i=1}^4 p_i = 0$, $p_i^2 = 0$.

- Mapping for the kinematic invariants between the two momentum configurations

$$S_{12} = s_{12}, \quad S_{23} = s_{23}x, \quad m^2 = s_{12}(1-x) \quad (7)$$

with $s_{12} = (p_1 + p_2)^2$, $s_{23} = (p_2 + p_3)^2$.

- Note: $x \rightarrow 1$ yields massless momentum configuration.

SDE kinematics

- Introduce $y = s_{23}/s_{12}$.
- Euclidean region: $0 < x < 1$, $s_{12} < 0$, $0 < y < 1$.
- Physical regions:

$$\text{s-channel : } 0 < x < 1, s_{12} > 0, -1 \leq y \leq 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\text{t-channel : } 1 < x, s_{12} < 0, y \leq -1 \quad (9)$$

$$\text{u-channel : } 1 < x, s_{12} < 0, y \geq 0. \quad (10)$$

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- Alphabet:

$$\left\{ x, x - 1, x - \frac{1}{1 + y}, x + \frac{1}{y} \right\}. \quad (12)$$

- **Same alphabet with F1 family and with the two-loop case!**

General solution to weight six

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{g} = & \epsilon^0 \mathbf{b}_0^{(0)} + \epsilon \left(\sum \mathcal{G}_i \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{b}_0^{(0)} + \mathbf{b}_0^{(1)} \right) + \epsilon^2 \left(\sum \mathcal{G}_{ij} \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{b}_0^{(0)} + \sum \mathcal{G}_i \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{b}_0^{(1)} + \mathbf{b}_0^{(2)} \right) + \dots \\
 & + \epsilon^6 \left(\mathbf{b}_0^{(6)} + \sum \mathcal{G}_{ijklmn} \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{M}_k \mathbf{M}_l \mathbf{M}_m \mathbf{M}_n \mathbf{b}_0^{(0)} + \sum \mathcal{G}_{ijklm} \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{M}_k \mathbf{M}_l \mathbf{M}_m \mathbf{b}_0^{(1)} \right. \\
 & \left. + \sum \mathcal{G}_{ijkl} \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{M}_k \mathbf{M}_l \mathbf{b}_0^{(2)} + \sum \mathcal{G}_{ijk} \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{M}_k \mathbf{b}_0^{(3)} + \sum \mathcal{G}_{ij} \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{M}_j \mathbf{b}_0^{(4)} + \sum \mathcal{G}_i \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{b}_0^{(5)} \right)
 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

- $\mathcal{G}_{ab\dots} := \mathcal{G}(l_a, l_b, \dots; x)$.
- $\mathbf{b}_0^{(i)}$: boundary terms involving rational numbers and $\{\zeta(i), \log(-s_{12}), \log(y)\}$.

Boundary terms

- Master equation:

$$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{b} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \mathbf{T}\mathbf{G} \Big|_{\mathcal{O}(x^{0+a_j\epsilon})} \quad (14)$$

- Residue matrix for $l_1 = 0 \rightarrow \mathbf{M}_1 = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{S}^{-1}$.
- $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{S}e^{\epsilon\mathbf{D}\log(x)}\mathbf{S}^{-1}$.
- $\mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=0}^6 \epsilon^i b_0^{(i)}$.
- IBP reduction: $\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{G}$.
- Expansion-by-regions using asy: $G_i \underset{x \rightarrow 0}{=} \sum_j x^{b_j+a_j\epsilon} G_i^{(b_j+a_j\epsilon)}$.

Boundary terms for family F3

- Boundaries for all 4 top-sector basis elements are fixed in terms of lower-sector boundaries, e.g.

$$\begin{aligned}
 b_{166} = & -\frac{1531b_1}{4752} - \frac{128b_2}{297} + \frac{47b_4}{33} - \frac{1891b_5}{396} + \frac{74b_{10}}{9} + \frac{20b_{11}}{3} + \frac{7b_{12}}{3} - \frac{127b_{13}}{36} \\
 & - \frac{415b_{15}}{264} + \frac{13b_{16}}{8} + \frac{10b_{17}}{3} - \frac{47b_{18}}{36} - 2b_{19} + \frac{5b_{20}}{6} - \frac{21b_{22}}{16} - \frac{11b_{23}}{6} + \frac{5b_{24}}{12} \\
 & - \frac{35b_{25}}{132} - \frac{6b_{26}}{11} + \frac{16b_{29}}{3} + \frac{32b_{30}}{9} - \frac{10b_{31}}{3} + \frac{581b_{35}}{132} + \frac{29b_{36}}{18} - \frac{197b_{38}}{33} \\
 & + \frac{3b_{43}}{2} - \frac{14b_{49}}{3} + 7b_{52} - 5b_{53} - \frac{89b_{54}}{12} + \frac{13b_{57}}{3} - \frac{8b_{60}}{3} - \frac{b_{61}}{6} + 2b_{62} - \frac{7b_{77}}{33} \\
 & - \frac{b_{81}}{6} + 3b_{83} - \frac{b_{84}}{2} - \frac{13b_{87}}{6} + \frac{7b_{88}}{12} - \frac{2b_{89}}{3} + \frac{5b_{97}}{6} - \frac{b_{108}}{3} - \frac{2b_{123}}{3} - b_{130} \\
 & + \frac{2b_{137}}{3} + 2b_{144} - \frac{4b_{152}}{3} - \frac{2b_{159}}{3}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- We can fix the boundaries for 109 basis elements with similar relations.

Boundary terms for family F3

- Assuming that families F1 and F2 are solved, leaves the following boundaries to be computed:

$$\{b_{108}, b_{123}, b_{135}, b_{144}, b_{157}, b_{159}\}. \quad (15)$$

- From master equation for boundaries:

$$\begin{aligned} b_{108} = & -2b_{19} + \frac{3b_{21}}{4} + s_{12}^2 \epsilon^5 G_{111101012000000}^{(-2\epsilon)} \\ & + 4s_{12} \epsilon^4 G_{1022010110-10000}^{(-\epsilon)} - 3s_{12}^2 \epsilon^4 G_{112201001000000}^{(-\epsilon)} \\ & + 6s_{12} \epsilon^5 G_{011101012000000}^{(0)}. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

- Direct integration for up to seven Feynman parameters.

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E.g.

$$\tilde{g}_{123} = -\frac{f_{29}^E}{4}, \quad \tilde{g}_{159} = -\frac{f_{37}^E}{8}.$$

Analytic continuation

- Tools: HyperInt, PolyLogTools, GiNaC.

Regions	Indices	Argument	Indices	Argument
Euclidean	$\{0, 1, -1/y, 1/(1+y)\}$	x	—	—
s-channel	$\{0, 1, -1/y, 1/(1+y)\}$	x	—	—
t-channel	$\{0, 1, -y, 1+y\}$	$1/x$	$\{0, 1\}$	$-1/y$
u-channel	$\{0, 1, -y, 1+y\}$	$1/x$	$\{0, -1\}$	y

Table: Structure of GPLs appearing in each of the 4 kinematic regions.

R	$W = 1$	$W = 2$	$W = 3$	$W = 4$	$W = 5$	$W = 6$	Total	Timings (sec)
E	4	14	50	124	367	734	1293	39.0225769
s	4	14	50	124	367	734	1293	39.2172529
t	6	18	58	155	419	603	1259	62.0567800
u	5	16	54	147	403	572	1197	55.1049640

Table: Number of GPLs per weight and region, and timings for the numerical evaluation of the total GPLs.

Validation

- Numerical checks using FIESTA4 and pySecDec

Euclidean : $s_{12} \rightarrow -7, y \rightarrow 3/7, x \rightarrow 1/4$

s-channel : $s_{12} \rightarrow 2, y \rightarrow -1/2, x \rightarrow 1/4$

t-channel : $s_{12} \rightarrow -2, y \rightarrow -3/2, x \rightarrow 5/3$

u-channel : $s_{12} \rightarrow -2, y \rightarrow 3/2, x \rightarrow 5/3.$

- Analytic check at $x \rightarrow 1$ with known results⁶ in the Euclidean region.

E.g.

$$\tilde{g}_{163}^{F3} = \frac{f_{39}^E}{8}, \quad \tilde{g}_{164}^{F3} = -\frac{f_{40}^E}{8}, \quad \tilde{g}_{166}^{F3} = -\frac{f_{41}^E}{8} \quad (17)$$

$$\tilde{g}_{165}^{F3} = \sum_i c_i f_i^E, \quad \{i = 1, 2, 4, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 23, 24, 41\} \quad (18)$$

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The $x \rightarrow 1$ limit

Scale reduction

The $x \rightarrow 1$ limit yields the momentum configuration for a system with one less external mass.

- The introduction of the x -parameterisation effectively captures the off-shellness of one external particle. By taking the limit $x \rightarrow 1$ we can obtain the solution to a family of FI with one scale less.
- Assuming that we have an integral family with m external massive particles whose solution we have expressed in terms of GPLs, we can obtain the solution for a family with $m - 1$ external masses through the $x \rightarrow 1$ limit of the former.

Scale reduction

- Exploit the shuffle properties of GPLs to write solution as an expansion in terms of $\log(1 - x)$:

$$\mathbf{g} = \sum_{n \geq 0} \epsilon^n \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{1}{i!} \mathbf{c}_i^{(n)} \log^i(1 - x) \quad (19)$$

- Regular part of (19) at $x = 1$:

$$\mathbf{g}_{reg} = \sum_{n \geq 0} \epsilon^n \mathbf{c}_0^{(n)} \quad (20)$$

- Truncated part of (19):

$$\mathbf{g}_{trunc} = \mathbf{g}_{reg}(x = 1) \quad (21)$$

Scale reduction

- Utilise the residue matrix that corresponds to the letter $\{1\}$, \mathbf{M}_2 , and define the *resummation matrix* $\tilde{\mathbf{R}}$:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{R}} = \tilde{\mathbf{S}} e^{\epsilon \tilde{\mathbf{D}} \log(1-x)} \tilde{\mathbf{S}}^{-1} \quad (22)$$

- $\tilde{\mathbf{S}}, \tilde{\mathbf{D}}$ are constructed through the Jordan decomposition of \mathbf{M}_2 .
- The *resummation matrix* $\tilde{\mathbf{R}}$ has terms of $(1-x)^{a_i \epsilon}$, with a_i being the eigenvalues of \mathbf{M}_2 .
- Set all terms $(1-x)^{a_i \epsilon}$ equal to zero and define the purely numerical matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{R}}_0$.

Final formula for $x \rightarrow 1$ limit:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{g}} = \tilde{\mathbf{R}}_0 \mathbf{g}_{trunc} \quad (23)$$