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# Difference field algorithms for Feynman integrals (II)

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# Summation Paradigms:

Telescoping, creative telescoping,  
recurrence finding

Recall: Simplify

$$\sum_{k=1}^n S_1(k)$$

where  $S_1(k) = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{i}$

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Example

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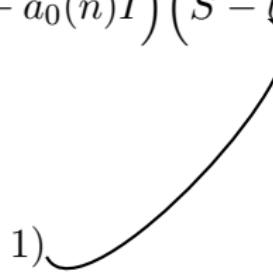
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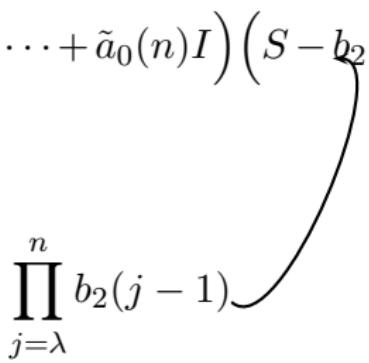
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$$\times \left( \frac{\Gamma(k+1)}{\Gamma(k+2+n)} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\Gamma(1-\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\Gamma(j+1-\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\Gamma(j+1+\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\Gamma(k+j+1+n)}{\Gamma(j+1-\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\Gamma(j+2+n)\Gamma(k+j+2)} \right.$$

$$+ \underbrace{\frac{\Gamma(k+1)}{\Gamma(k+2+n)} \frac{\Gamma(-\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\Gamma(1+\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\Gamma(j+1+\varepsilon)\Gamma(j+1-\frac{\varepsilon}{2})\Gamma(k+j+1+\frac{\varepsilon}{2}+n)}{\Gamma(j+1)\Gamma(j+2+\frac{\varepsilon}{2}+n)\Gamma(k+j+2+\frac{\varepsilon}{2})}}_{f(n, k, j)} \Big).$$

Arose in the context of

I. Bierenbaum, J. Blümlein, and S. Klein, *Evaluating two-loop massive operator matrix elements with Mellin-Barnes integrals*. 2006

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Step 2: Simplify the sums in

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f(n, k, j) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_0(n, k, j) + \varepsilon \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_1(n, k, j) + \dots$$

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where

$$S_1(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} (= H_n)$$

Simplify

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{(2j+k+n+2)j!k!(j+k+n)!}{(j+k+1)(j+n+1)(j+k+1)!(j+n+1)!(k+n+1)!} \right.$$

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$$= \frac{(a+1)!(k-1)!(a+k+n+1)!(S_1(a) - S_1(a+k) - S_1(a+n) + S_1(a+k+n))}{n(a+k+1)!(a+n+1)!(k+n+1)!}$$

$$+ \underbrace{\frac{S_1(k) + S_1(n) - S_1(k+n)}{kn(k+n+1)n!} + \frac{(2a+k+n+2)a!k!(a+k+n)!}{(a+k+1)(a+n+1)(a+k+1)!(a+n+1)!(k+n+1)!}}_{a \rightarrow \infty}$$

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## Telescoping

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**no solution** 

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Sigma computes:  $c_0(n) = -n$ ,  $c_1(n) = (n+1)(n+2)$  and

$$g(n, k) = \frac{kS_1(k) + (-n-1)S_1(n) - kS_1(k+n) - 2}{(k+n+1)n!(n+1)^2}$$

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$$(n+2)\mathbf{A}(n+1) - n\mathbf{A}(n) = \frac{(n+1)S_1(n) + 1}{(n+1)^3}$$

recurrence finder

$$A(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{S_1(k) + S_1(n) - S_1(k+n)}{kn(k+n+1)}$$

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recurrence solver

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$$\in \left\{ \textcolor{blue}{c} \times \frac{1}{n(n+1)} + \frac{S_1(n)^2 + S_2(n)}{2n(n+1)} \mid c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

where

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 & = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_0(n, k, j) +
 \end{aligned}$$

Sigma computes

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 \end{aligned}$$

Sigma computes

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_2(n, k, j) &= \frac{1}{96n(n+1)} \left( S_1(n)^4 + (12\zeta_2 + 54S_2(n))S_1(n)^2 \right. \\
 & + 104S_3(n)S_1(n) - 48S_{2,1}(n)S_1(n) + 51S_2(n)^2 + 36\zeta_2S_2(n) \\
 & \left. + 126S_4(n) - 48S_{3,1}(n) - 96S_{1,1,2}(n) \right)
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 \end{aligned}$$

Sigma computes

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f_3(n, k, j) &= \frac{1}{960n(n+1)} \left( S_1(n)^5 + (20\zeta_2 + 130S_2(n))S_1(n)^3 + \right. \\
 & (40\zeta_3 + 380S_3(n))S_1(n)^2 + (135S_2(n)^2 + 60\zeta_2S_2(n) + 510S_4(n))S_1(n) \\
 & - 240S_{3,1}(n)S_1(n) - 240S_{1,1,2}(n)S_1(n) + 160\zeta_2S_3(n) + S_2(n)(120\zeta_3 \\
 & + 380S_3(n)) + 624S_5(n) + (-120S_1(n)^2 - 120S_2(n))S_{2,1}(n) \\
 & \left. - 240S_{4,1}(n) - 240S_{1,1,3}(n) + 240S_{2,2,1}(n) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

# Guessing and Finding

(J. Blümlein, M. Kauers, S. Klein, CS; Comput. Phys. Comm. 180, pp. 2143-2165. 2009; arXiv 0902.4091)

In the non-singlet (3-loop) case  $\sim 360$  diagrams contribute. The integrals are of the form:

$$F(n, \varepsilon) = \int_0^1 dx_1 \dots \int_0^1 dx_7 \sum_{i=1}^K \frac{p_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_7)^{n+r_i\varepsilon+\dots}}{q_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_7)^{s_i\varepsilon+\dots}}$$

where  $K \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $r_i, s_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ , and  $p_i, q_i$  are polynomials in  $x_1, \dots, x_7$ .

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The 3-loop anomalous dimensions can be derived from the single pole part of  $F(n, \varepsilon)$ . The other poles are needed for the renormalization.

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$\downarrow$  Recurrence finder (M. Kauers)

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(885 decimal digits)

In the non-singlet (3-loop) case  $\sim 360$  diagrams contribute. The integrals are of the form:

$$\begin{aligned} F(n, \varepsilon) &= \int_0^1 dx_1 \dots \int_0^1 dx_7 \sum_{i=1}^K \frac{p_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_7)^{n+\dots+r_i\varepsilon+\dots}}{q_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_7)^{\dots+s_i\varepsilon+\dots}} \\ &= F_{-3}(n)\varepsilon^{-3} + F_{-2}(n)\varepsilon^{-2} + F_{-1}(n)\varepsilon^{-1} + [F_0(n)]\varepsilon^0 + \dots \\ &\quad \downarrow \\ \text{Initial values } F_0(i), i &= 1, \dots, 5114 \end{aligned}$$

$\downarrow$  Recurrence finder (M. Kauers)

$$a_0(n)F_0(n) + a_1(n)F_0(n+1) + \dots + a_{35}(n)F_0(n+35) = 0$$

$\downarrow$  Sigma

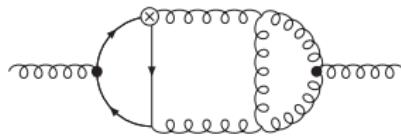
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# Automatization

## Example: All $n$ -Results for 3-Loop Ladder Graphs

Joint work with J. Ablinger (RISC), J. Blümlein (DESY),  
A. Hasselhuhn (DESY), S. Klein (RWTH)  
(Nuclear Physics B, 2012; arXiv:1206.2252v1)

In total around 50 diagrams (for this class) have been calculated, like e.g.



(containing three massive fermion propagators)



Around 1000 sums have to be calculated for this diagram

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \sum_{s=0}^{n-j+r-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+n+r-2}{s} (-j+n-2)! r!}{(n-s)(s+1)(-j+n+r)!}$$

Simple sum

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \sum_{s=0}^{n-j+r-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+n+r-2}{s} (-j+n-2)! r!}{(n-s)(s+1)(-j+n+r)!} \\ ||$$

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$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} &|| \\ &\binom{j+1}{r} \left( \frac{(-1)^r (-j+n-2)! r!}{(n+1)(-j+n+r-1)(-j+n+r)!} + \right. \\ &\left. \frac{(-1)^{n+r} (j+1)! (-j+n-2)! (-j+n-1)_r r!}{(n-1)n(n+1)(-j+n+r)! (-j-1)_r (2-n)_j} \right) \end{aligned}}$$

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 & \quad || \\
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 & \quad \left. \left. \frac{(-1)^{n+r} (j+1)! (-j+n-2)! (-j+n-1)_{rr} r!}{(n-1)n(n+1)(-j+n+r)! (-j-1)_r (2-n)_j} \right) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\left( \frac{n^2 - n + 1}{(n-1)^2 n^2 (n+1)(2-n)_j} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^j \frac{(2-n)_i}{(-i+n-1)^2 (i+1)!}}{(n+1)(2-n)_j} + \right. \\ \left. \frac{(-1)^{j+n} (-j-2)(-j+n-2)!}{(j-n+1)(n+1)^2 n!} \right) (j+1)! - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2 (-j+n-1)}$$

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$$\frac{-n^2 - n - 1}{n^2(n+1)^3} + \frac{(-1)^n (n^2 + n + 1)}{n^2(n+1)^3} - \frac{2S_{-2}(n)}{n+1} + \frac{S_1(n)}{(n+1)^2} + \frac{S_2(n)}{-n-1}$$

Note:  $S_a(n) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\text{sign}(a)^i}{i^{|a|}}$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$

Example .

# Mathematica Session:

In[1]:= << Sigma.m

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In[2]:= << HarmonicSums.m

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In[3]:= << EvaluateMultiSums.m

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In[4]:= EvaluateMultiSum[ $\frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+n+r-2}{s} (-j+n-2)! r!}{(n-s)(s+1)(-j+n+r)!},$   
 $\{\{s,0,n-j+r-2\},\{r,0,j+1\},\{j,0,n-2\}\}]$

Out[4]= 
$$\frac{-n^2 - n - 1}{n^2(n + 1)^3} + \frac{(-1)^n (n^2 + n + 1)}{n^2(n + 1)^3} - \frac{2S_{-2}(n)}{n + 1} + \frac{S_1(n)}{(n + 1)^2} + \frac{S_2(n)}{-n - 1}$$

# A typical sum

$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-2} \sum_{s=1}^{j+1} \sum_{r=0}^{n+s-j-2} \sum_{\sigma=0}^{\infty} \frac{-2(-1)^{s+r} \binom{j+1}{s} \binom{-j+n+s-2}{r} (n-j)!(s-1)!\sigma! S_1(r+2)}{(n-r)(r+1)(r+2)(-j+n+\sigma+1)(-j+n+\sigma+2)(-j+n+s+\sigma)!}$$

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 & = \frac{(2n^2 + 6n + 5) S_{-2}(n)^2}{2(n+1)(n+2)} + S_{-2,-1,2}(n) + S_{-2,1,-2}(n) \\
 & \quad + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

where, e.g.,

$$S_{-2,1,-2}(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(-1)^i \sum_{j=1}^i \frac{(-1)^k}{k^2}}{j^2} \quad \text{Vermaseren 98/Blümlein/Kurth 99}$$

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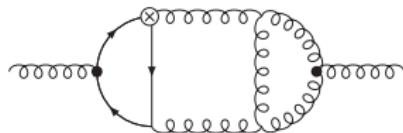
$$\begin{aligned}
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 & \quad + \cdots - S_{2,1,1,1}(-1, 2, \frac{1}{2}, -1; n) + S_{2,1,1,1}(1, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2; n) \\
 & \quad + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

where, e.g.,

145  $S$ -sums occur

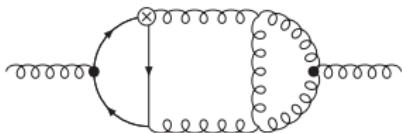
$$S_{2,1,1,1}(1, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2; n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\sum_{k=1}^i \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j \sum_{l=1}^j \frac{2^l}{l}}{k}}{j}}{i^2}$$

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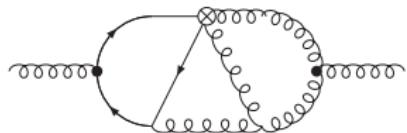


J. Ablinger's HarmonicSum.m

After elimination the following sums remain:

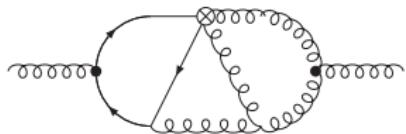
$S_{-4}(n), S_{-3}(n), S_{-2}(n), S_1(n), S_2(n), S_3(n), S_4(n), S_{-3,1}(n),$   
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$$\sum_{j=0}^{n-3} \sum_{k=0}^j \sum_{l=0}^k \sum_{q=0}^{-j+n-3} \sum_{s=1}^{-l+n-q-3} \sum_{r=0}^{-l+n-q-s-3} (-1)^{-j+k-l+n-q-3} \times \\ \times \frac{\binom{j+1}{k+1} \binom{k}{l} \binom{n-1}{j+2} \binom{-j+n-3}{q} \binom{-l+n-q-3}{s} \binom{-l+n-q-s-3}{r} r! (-l+n-q-r-s-3)! (s-1)!}{(-l+n-q-2)! (-j+n-1)! (n-q-r-s-2)! (q+s+1)!}$$

$$\left[ 4S_1(-j+n-1) - 4S_1(-j+n-2) - 2S_1(k) \right. \\ \left. - (S_1(-l+n-q-2) + S_1(-l+n-q-r-s-3) - 2S_1(r+s)) \right. \\ \left. + 2S_1(s-1) - 2S_1(r+s) \right] + \mathbf{3 \text{ further 6-fold sums}}$$

$$\boxed{F_0(n)} =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{7}{12} S_1(n)^4 + \frac{(17n+5)S_1(n)^3}{3n(n+1)} + \left( \frac{35n^2 - 2n - 5}{2n^2(n+1)^2} + \frac{13S_2(n)}{2} + \frac{5(-1)^n}{2n^2} \right) S_1(n)^2 \\
& + \left( -\frac{4(13n+5)}{n^2(n+1)^2} + \left( \frac{4(-1)^n(2n+1)}{n(n+1)} - \frac{13}{n} \right) S_2(n) + \left( \frac{29}{3} - (-1)^n \right) S_3(n) \right. \\
& + (2 + 2(-1)^n) S_{2,1}(n) - 28S_{-2,1}(n) + \frac{20(-1)^n}{n^2(n+1)} \Big) S_1(n) + \left( \frac{3}{4} + (-1)^n \right) S_2(n)^2 \\
& - 2(-1)^n S_{-2}(n)^2 + S_{-3}(n) \left( \frac{2(3n-5)}{n(n+1)} + (26 + 4(-1)^n) S_1(n) + \frac{4(-1)^n}{n+1} \right) \\
& + \left( \frac{(-1)^n(5-3n)}{2n^2(n+1)} - \frac{5}{2n^2} \right) S_2(n) + S_{-2}(n) (10S_1(n)^2 + \left( \frac{8(-1)^n(2n+1)}{n(n+1)} \right. \\
& + \frac{4(3n-1)}{n(n+1)} \Big) S_1(n) + \frac{8(-1)^n(3n+1)}{n(n+1)^2} + \left( -22 + 6(-1)^n \right) S_2(n) - \frac{16}{n(n+1)} \Big) \\
& + \left( \frac{(-1)^n(9n+5)}{n(n+1)} - \frac{29}{3n} \right) S_3(n) + \left( \frac{19}{2} - 2(-1)^n \right) S_4(n) + \left( -6 + 5(-1)^n \right) S_{-4}(n) \\
& + \left( -\frac{2(-1)^n(9n+5)}{n(n+1)} - \frac{2}{n} \right) S_{2,1}(n) + (20 + 2(-1)^n) S_{2,-2}(n) + \left( -17 + 13(-1)^n \right) S_{3,1}(n) \\
& - \frac{8(-1)^n(2n+1) + 4(9n+1)}{n(n+1)} S_{-2,1}(n) - (24 + 4(-1)^n) S_{-3,1}(n) + (3 - 5(-1)^n) S_{2,1,1}(n) \\
& + 32S_{-2,1,1}(n) + \left( \frac{3}{2} S_1(n)^2 - \frac{3S_1(n)}{n} + \frac{3}{2} (-1)^n S_{-2}(n) \right) \zeta(2)
\end{aligned}$$

# New Strategies

# Find a recurrence for the integral/sum

$$D_\varepsilon(n) = \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 \Phi(\varepsilon, n, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_7) dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_7$$
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Almquist/Zeilberger  
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$\varepsilon$ -recurrence solver

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↓ constant terms must agree

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If  $F_0(n)$  (with required initial values) is not expressible in terms of indefinite nested sums and products:

**game over**

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 & + \\
 & \vdots \\
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Divide by  $\varepsilon$

$$\begin{aligned} & a_0(\varepsilon, n) \left[ F_1(n) + F_2(n)\varepsilon + \dots \right] \\ & + a_1(\varepsilon, n) \left[ F_1(n+1) + F_2(n+1)\varepsilon + \dots \right] \\ & + \\ & \vdots \\ & + a_d(\varepsilon, n) \left[ F_1(n+d) + F_2(n+d)\varepsilon + \dots \right] = h'_1(n) + h'_2(n)\varepsilon + \dots \end{aligned}$$

**Now repeat for**  $F_1(n), F_2(n), \dots$

Example

Remark: Works the same for Laurent series.

(see J. Blümlein, S. Klein, CS, F. Stan. J. Symbolic Comput. 47, 2012;  
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