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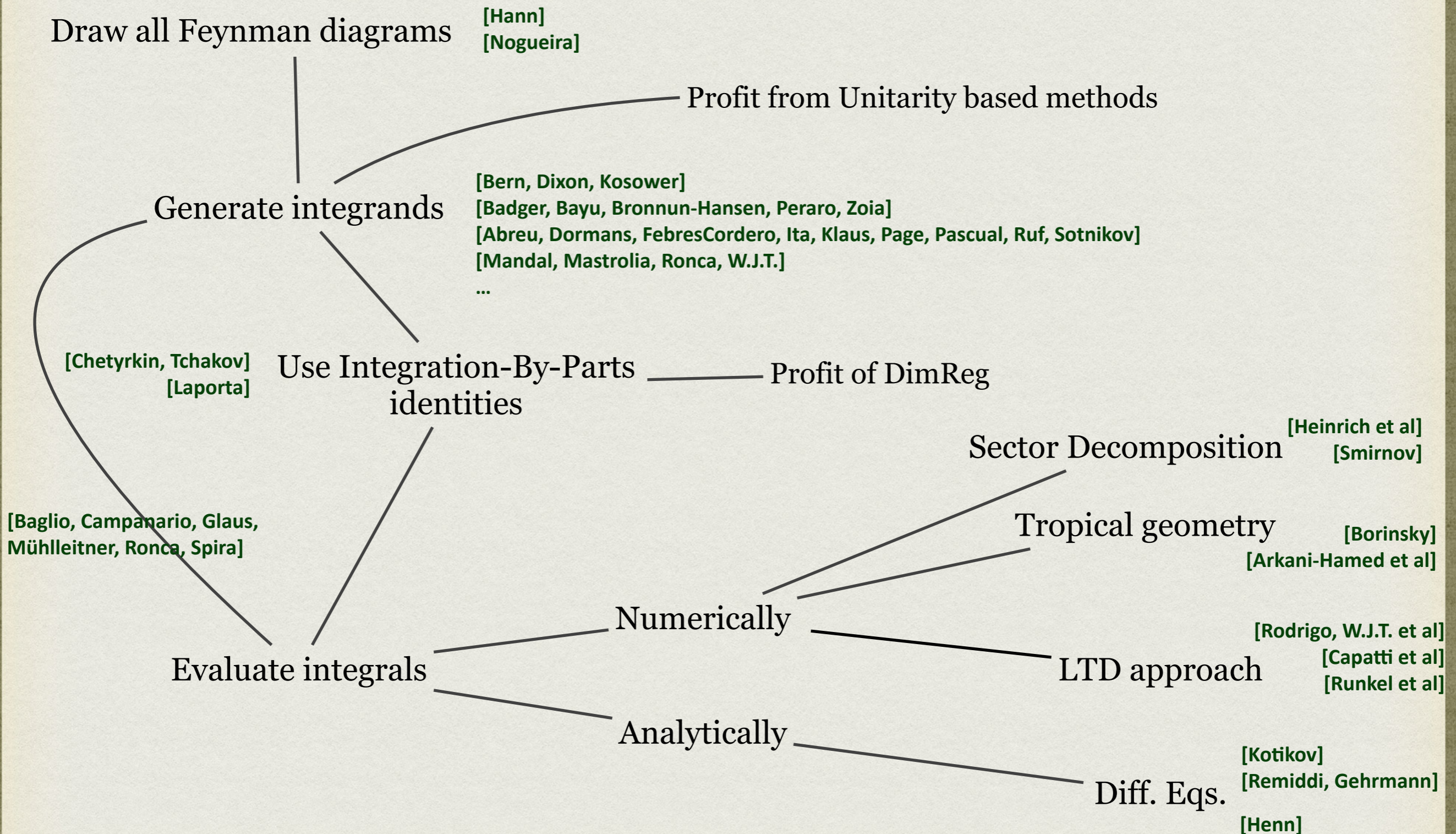
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Standard approach @multi-loop level



Standard approach @multi-loop level


Complete automation @ NNLO ?

Thresholds

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Review

May the four be with you: novel IR-subtraction methods to tackle NNLO calculations

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- FDH/FDR → transition rules both ren. schemes @NNLO
- FDU → preliminary mappings between VV & VR contributions
- IReg → Towards full renormalisation @ 2L
- Torino Scheme → general subtraction method for massless & final states QCD
- qt-subtraction → benefits from any existing calculation for “F+jet”
- Antenna subtraction → subtraction term at tree (RR) and one-loop (R) level
-  many more subs. schemes ...

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Outline

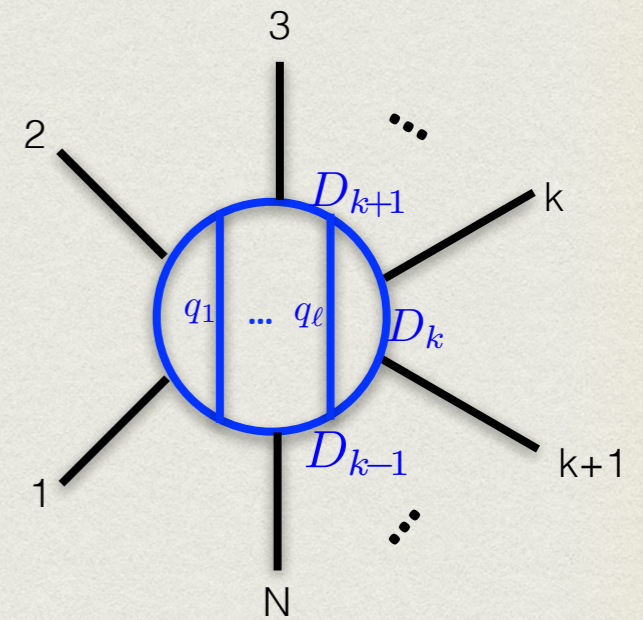
- Analytic evaluation
- Numerical evaluation
- Conclusions & future questions

Preliminary

In loop calculations, one finds

$$J_N^{(L),D}(1, \dots, n; n+1, \dots, m) = \int \prod_{i=1}^L \frac{d^D \ell_i}{i \pi^{D/2}} \frac{\prod_{k=n+1}^m D_k^{-\nu_k}}{\prod_{j=1}^n D_j^{\nu_j}}$$

$$D_i = q_i^2 - m_i^2 + i0$$



What to do?

• Evaluate them?

• Analyse them?

First principles

Get mathematical insights

Profit from mathematical properties

Keep into account behaviour dictated by physics

Investigate further mathematical formalism

Everything is connected!

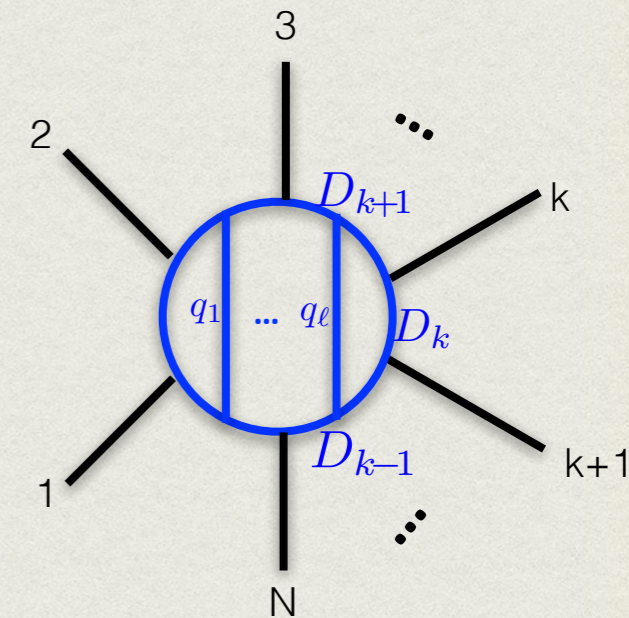
Analytic evaluation

Analytic evaluations

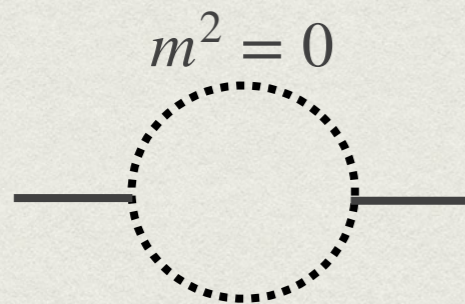
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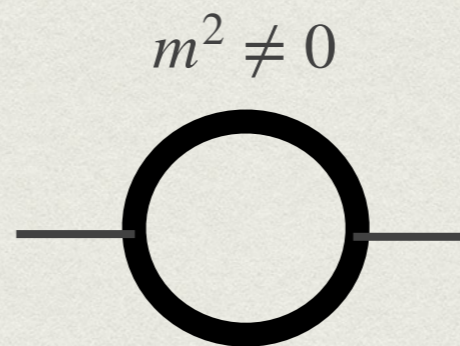
$$D_i = q_i^2 - m_i^2 + i0$$



Complexity easily increases:

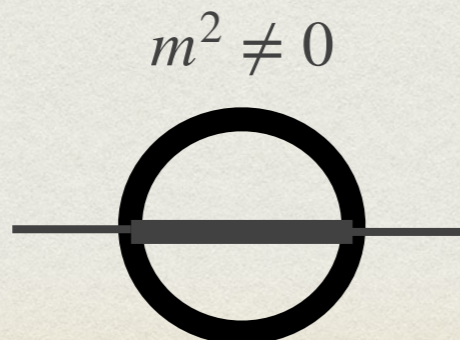


$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} (-p^2)^{-1-\epsilon} \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{6} \epsilon^2 + \frac{14}{3} \zeta_3 \epsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4) \right)$$



$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{(-p^2)(4m^2 - p^2)}} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{1 - 4m^2/p^2} + 1}{\sqrt{1 - 4m^2/p^2} - 1} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

→ squared roots



$$-\frac{4K(\lambda)}{(p^2 + m^2)\sqrt{a_{13}a_{24}}} \left[2\mathcal{E}_4 \left(\begin{matrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & \infty \end{matrix}; 1, \vec{a} \right) + \mathcal{E}_4 \left(\begin{matrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{matrix}; 1, \vec{a} \right) + \mathcal{E}_4 \left(\begin{matrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{matrix}; 1, \vec{a} \right) \right]$$

$$K(\lambda) = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{(1-x^2)(1-\lambda x^2)}} \quad \mathcal{E}_4 \left(\begin{matrix} n_1 & \dots & n_k \\ c_1 & \dots & c_k \end{matrix}; t, \vec{a} \right) = \int_0^x dt \Psi_{n_1}(c_1, t, \vec{a}) \mathcal{E}_4 \left(\begin{matrix} n_2 & \dots & n_k \\ c_2 & \dots & c_k \end{matrix}; t, \vec{a} \right)$$

→ elliptic integrals

Analytic evaluations

- DLOG representation of Feynman integrals

Four-point integral family

$$\mathcal{F} \left(\begin{array}{c} p_4 \rightarrow \bullet \text{---} \bullet \rightarrow p_1 \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \downarrow \quad \uparrow \\ p_3 \leftarrow \bullet \text{---} \bullet \leftarrow p_2 \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ k_1 \end{array} \mathcal{N} \right) = \frac{d^4 k_1 \mathcal{N}}{(k_1 - p_1)^2 k_1^2 (k_1 + p_2)^2 (k_1 + p_2 + p_3)^2} \stackrel{?}{=} d \log \tau_1 \dots d \log \tau_4$$

$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2, \quad t = (p_2 + p_3)^2$$

- Obtained with the aid of [\[Wasser '18\]](#), [\[Henn++ '20\]](#)

Leading Logarithmic singularities

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{F} \left(\begin{array}{c} p_4 \rightarrow \bullet \text{---} \bullet \rightarrow p_1 \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \downarrow \quad \uparrow \\ p_3 \leftarrow \bullet \text{---} \bullet \leftarrow p_2 \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ k_1 \end{array} \textcircled{st} \right), \quad \mathcal{F} \left(\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \bullet \text{---} \bullet \rightarrow \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \downarrow \quad \uparrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ k_1 \end{array} \textcircled{s} \right), \quad \mathcal{F} \left(\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \bullet \text{---} \bullet \rightarrow \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \downarrow \quad \uparrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ k_1 + p_2 \end{array} \textcircled{s} \right), \\ \\ \mathcal{F} \left(\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \bullet \text{---} \bullet \rightarrow \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \downarrow \quad \uparrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ k_1 \end{array} \textcircled{t} \right), \quad \mathcal{F} \left(\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \bullet \text{---} \bullet \rightarrow \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \downarrow \quad \uparrow \\ \bullet \text{---} \bullet \\ \uparrow \quad \downarrow \\ k_1 \end{array} \textcircled{t} \right) \end{array} \right\}$$

Analytic evaluations

Landau singularities

Feynman integrals are many-valued analytic functions whose singularities lie on some algebraic varieties — **Landau Varieties**

Landau equations

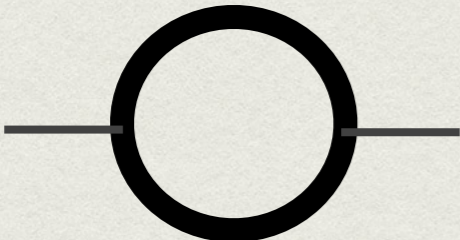
$$q_i^2 - m_i^2 = 0 \text{ or } \alpha_i = 0$$

$$\sum \alpha_i \frac{\partial D_i}{\partial k_j} = \sum \alpha_i q_i = 0$$

Connection between leading and Landau singularities?

Landau singularity of a one-loop scalar bubble

$m^2 \neq 0$



$\rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} p^2 (4m^2 - p^2)$

Leading & Landau singularities

Connection in one-loop Feynman integrals

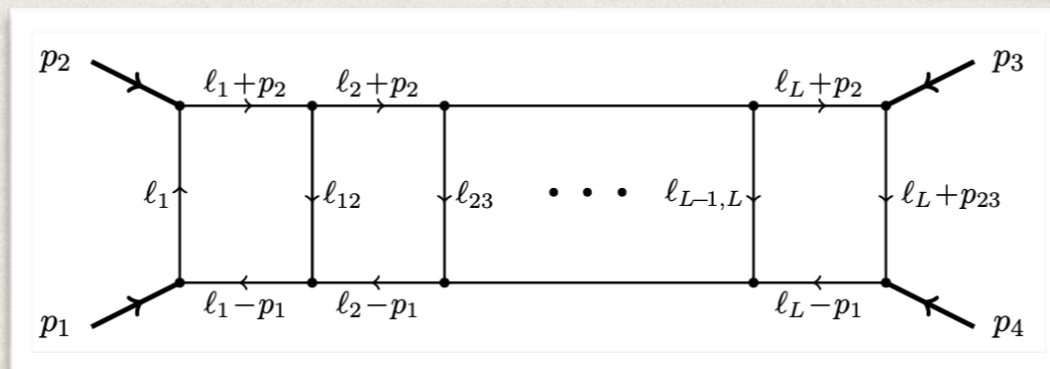
[Flieger, WJT (2022)]

Theorem 4.1. *The leading singularity of an n -point one-loop Feynman integral in $D = n + 1$ space-time dimensions is equal to $\pm 1 / (2^n \sqrt{-\det(p_i \cdot p_j)})$, with $i, j \leq n - 1$.*

Theorem 4.2. *The leading singularity of an n -point one-loop Feynman integral in $D = n$ space-time dimensions is equal to $\pm 1 / (2^n \sqrt{(-1)^{D-1} \text{LanS}})$*

Extension at multi-loop level

Theorem 5.2. *The leading singularity of the four-point L -loop ladder Feynman integral of Fig. 4(b) in four space-time dimensions with off-shell external momenta ($p_i^2 \neq 0$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$) and massless propagators is equal to $\left(s^L t \sqrt{\lambda_K \left(1, \frac{p_1^2 p_3^2}{st}, \frac{p_2^2 p_4^2}{st} \right)} \right)^{-1}$, with $s = (p_1 + p_2)^2$ and $t = (p_2 + p_3)^2$.*



Analytic evaluations

Standard approach

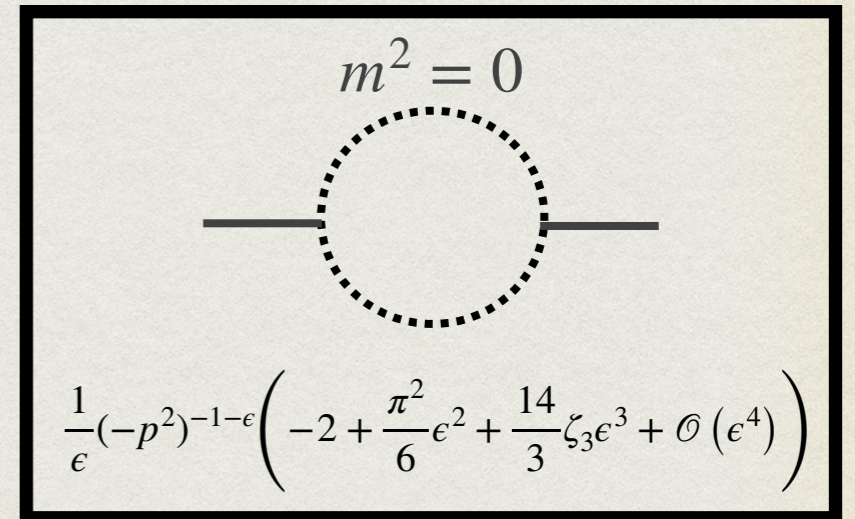
- DEQ :: Feynman integrals are not independent

$$\partial_x \vec{J}(x) = A_i(x, \epsilon) \vec{J}(x)$$

<<Fael's

Canonical form

Conjecture: there exist a basis of uniform transcendental weight functions (UT basis)



$m^2 = 0$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} (-p^2)^{-1-\epsilon} \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{6} \epsilon^2 + \frac{14}{3} \zeta_3 \epsilon^3 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4) \right)$$

Uniform weight function

$$\partial_x \vec{g}(x) = \epsilon B(x) \vec{g}(x) \longrightarrow d \vec{g}(x, \epsilon) = \epsilon (d\tilde{B}) \vec{g}(x; \epsilon) \longleftarrow g(x, \epsilon) = \frac{1}{\epsilon^{2L}} \sum_{k>0} \epsilon^k g^{(k)}(x)$$

$$\tilde{B} = \sum_k B_k \log \alpha_k(x)$$

[Henn (2013)]

$g^{(k)}(x)$ has weight k

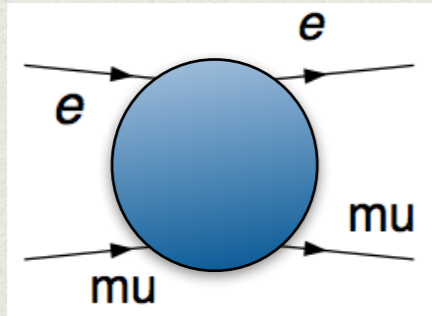
- Solution in terms of iterated integrals :: HPL/GPL (PolyLogs)

$$\mathcal{G}(a_1, \dots, a_n; x) = \int_0^x dt \frac{1}{t - a_n} \mathcal{G}(a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}; t)$$

Numerical implementations:
GinaC, HandyG, FastGPL, ...

Analytic evaluations

The simplest application :: $e\mu \rightarrow e\mu$



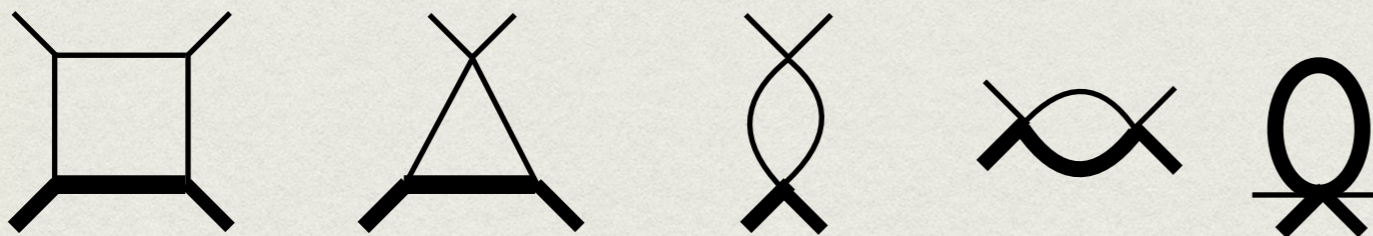
$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2,$$

$$t = (p_2 - p_3)^2$$

$$u = (p_2 - p_3)^2 = 2m_\mu^2 - s - t$$

$$\mu(p_1) + e(p_2) \rightarrow e(p_3) + \mu(p_4)$$

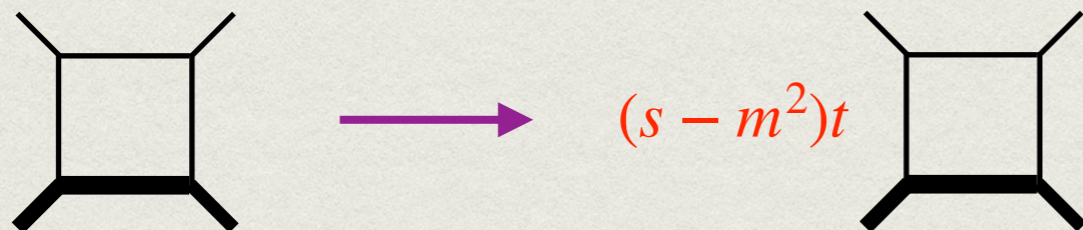
• @1L \rightarrow reduces to a set of 5 master integrals



<<Jonathan's

$$\partial_x \vec{I} = A_x(d, s, t, m_\mu^2) \vec{I}$$

• Calculate integrals in $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$ and redefine MIs



$$\partial_x \vec{g} = \epsilon A_x(s, t, m_\mu^2) \vec{g}$$

State of the art for massless loops

courtesy of Antonela Matijašić,
Julian Miczajka, and Won Lim

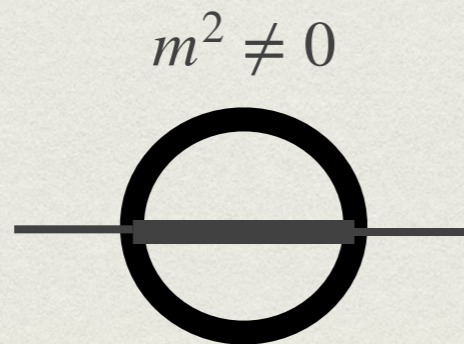
$\frac{\# \text{ of loops}}{\# \text{ of points}}$	1	2	3
4	✓	2-mass planar & non-planar [Henn, Melnikov, Smirnov '14; Gehrmann et al. '14, Caola et al. '14]	Massless planar & non-planar [Henn, Smirnov, Smirnov '13; Henn, Mistlberger, Smirnov, Wasser '20] 1-mass planar [Canko, Syrrakos '22]
5	✓	Massless planar & non-planar [Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti '15; Chicherin et al. '18, Chicherin et al. '19] 1-mass planar [Abreu et al. '20] 3 non-planar 1-mass topologies [Abreu et al. '21]	X
6	$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0)$ [Henn, Drummond, Dixon '11; Spradlin, Volovich '11] $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ [Henn, Matijašić, Miczajka '22]	Massless, planar on the maximal cut [Henn, Peraro, Xu, Zhang '21]	X

↳ construction of UT basis is known for any # of points [Spradlin, Volovich '11]

State of the art for $2 \rightarrow 2$ process w/ internal masses

- ☑ Jet production :: [Czakon++ '19], [Chen++ '22]
- ☑ $t\bar{t}$ production :: [Bonciani++ '08,'11,'13], [Czakon '08], [DiVita++ '19], [Mastrolia++ 22],
[Adams++ '18], [Badger++ '22]
- ☑ $pp \rightarrow H + jet$:: [Salvatori++ '20,'22], [Bonetti++ '22]
- ☑ $e\mu$ scattering :: [Henn++ '13], [DiVita++ '18], [Duhr++ '21], [Mastrolia++ 21]
- ☑ HH, ZH, ZH production :: [Grazzini++ '18], [Chen++ '21]
- ☑ Drell-Yan :: [Bonciani '16], [Heller '20], [Armadillo '22]
- ☑ ...

Unavoidable appearance of *elliptic integrals*



$$K(\lambda) = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{(1-x^2)(1-\lambda x^2)}} \quad \mathcal{E}_4 \left(\begin{matrix} n_1 & \dots & n_k \\ c_1 & \dots & c_k \end{matrix}; t, \vec{a} \right) = \int_0^x dt \Psi_{n_1}(c_1, t, \vec{a}) \mathcal{E}_4 \left(\begin{matrix} n_2 & \dots & n_k \\ c_2 & \dots & c_k \end{matrix}; t, \vec{a} \right)$$

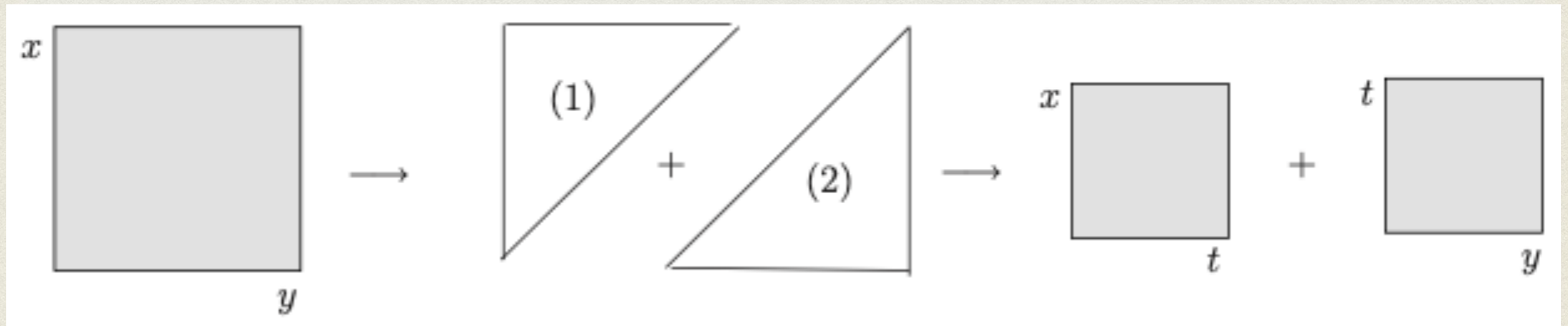
\rightarrow *elliptic integrals*

Numerical evaluation

Sector decomposition

[Binoth, Heinrich (2000)]

Schematically



$$I = \int_0^1 dx dy f(x, y) = \int_0^1 dx dy f(x, y) (\Theta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) + \Theta(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x})) = \int_0^1 dx dy f(xy, y) + \int_0^1 dx dy f(x, xy)$$

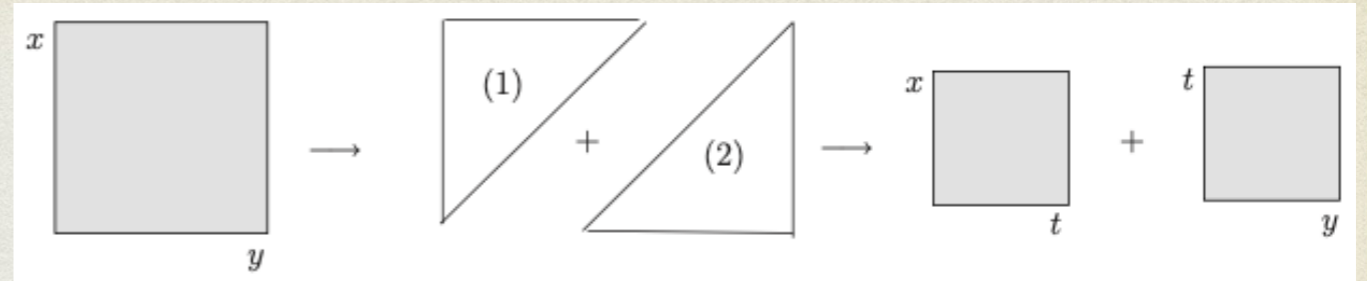
Apply it to Feynman integrals

$$J_N \sim \Gamma(n - LD/2) \int_{x_j \geq 0} [d^{n-1} x_j] \frac{\mathcal{U}^{n-(L+1)D/2}}{\mathcal{F}^{n-LD/2}}$$

“Symanzik form” of Feynman integrals

- Subtraction of poles & expansion in ϵ
- Numerical evaluation of finite integrals at each order of ϵ
- Evaluation of integrals in unphysical regions :: easy
- Evaluation of integrals in physical regions :: thresholds :: **contour deformation**

Sector decomposition



Recent developments

$$I = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^d} d^d X \prod_{i=1}^d X_i^{a_i-1} \prod_{j=1} P_j(X)^{-c_j} \quad \text{with} \quad P_j(X) = \sum_k c_k^{(j)} \prod_{i=1}^d X_i^{v_i^{(j)}}$$

[Arkani-Hamed, Hillman, Mizera (2022)]

- Tropicalisation :: $X_i = e^{x_i}$
- Study of asymptotic regions in the integration domain (e.g. x_i scales to infinity)
- **Leading** asymptotic behaviour of the integral *along a given ray* :: e^{Trop}

$$\text{Trop}(x) = a \cdot x - \sum_j c_j \max(x \cdot v^{(j)})$$
- Problem of **leading divergence** is reduced to determining the values of Trop along the extremal rays of the divergent cones.
- Case of one polynomial :: Newton polytope $\text{Newt}(P_j)$

more details in Giulio's talk

Loop-tree duality

[Rodrigo, W.J.T. et al (2020)]

- In multi-loop Feynman integral, re-write Feynman propagators:

In terms of spatial components

$$G_F(q_{i_S}) = \frac{1}{q_{i_S}^2 - m_{i_S}^2 + i0} = \frac{1}{q_{i_S,0}^2 - (q_{i_S,0}^{(+)})^2}$$

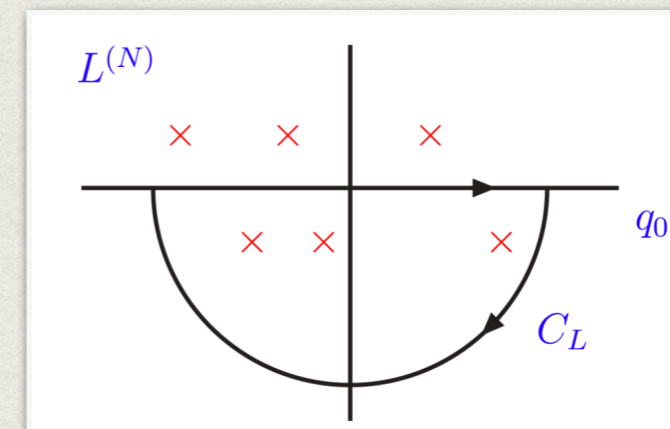
$$q_{i_S,0}^{(+)} = +\sqrt{\mathbf{q}_{i_S}^2 + m_{i_S}^2 - i0}$$

Pull out full dependence of the energy components of loop momenta

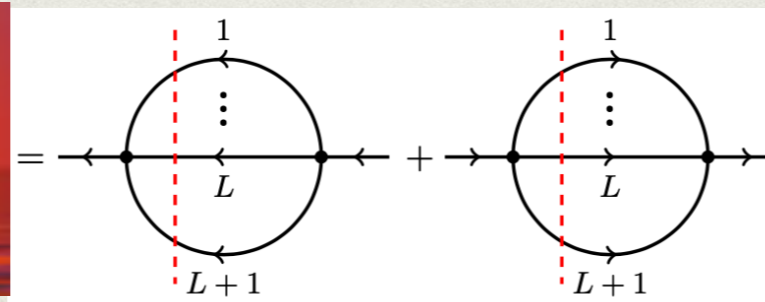
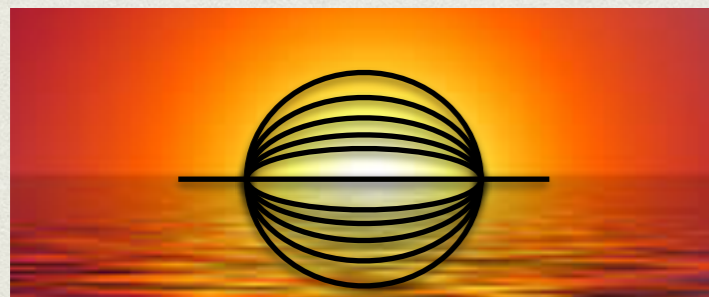
usual Feynman $i0$ prescription!

- Apply the Cauchy residue thm for each “energy” integration

Cauchy contour is always closed from below the real axis



- Representation of Feynman integrals in terms of only causal thresholds



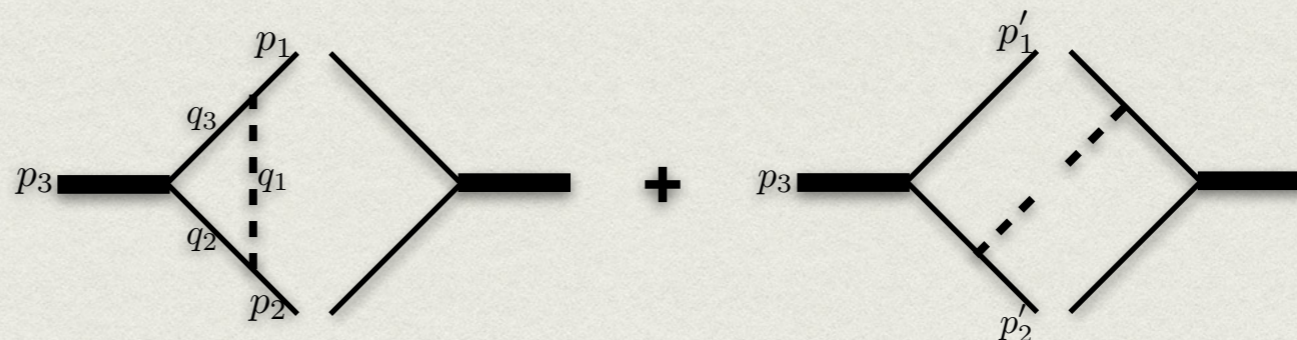
$$= - \int_{\vec{\ell}_1, \dots, \vec{\ell}_L} \frac{1}{x_{L+1}} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_1^-} + \frac{1}{\lambda_1^+} \right)$$

Loop-tree duality

- Open loops into connected trees
- Cancel singularities (IR & UV) before integrating

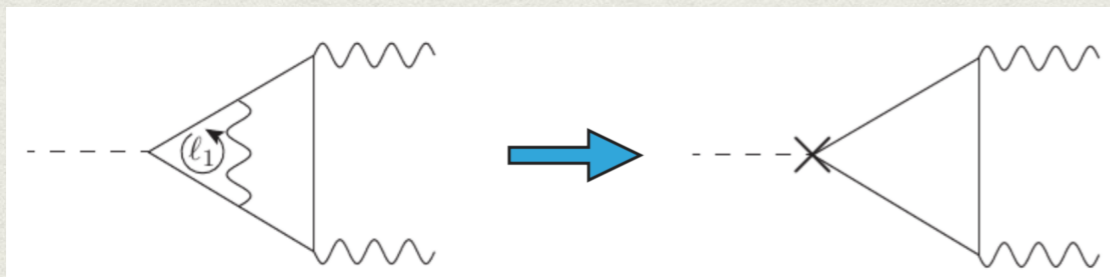
IR singularities @1L

[Kinoshita (1962)]
[Lee and Nauenberg (1964)]



Match real and virtual contribution **before integrating**

UV singularities



perform UV renormalisation @ integrand level
—> introduce an **unintegrated UV counter-term**

- Geometry understanding from **cosmological polytope**
[Benincasa, W.J.T. et al (2021)]
- Ultimate goal :: Numerically evaluate Feynman integrals in strictly **D=4**

Numerical evaluations

📌 Additional tools/approaches

- Auxiliary Mass Flow :: DEQ in $x \sim \iota 0$ [Liu++ '17,'20,'22]
- Series expansions :: solve DEQ along path [Moriello '19] \rightarrow (DiffExp, SeaSyde)

Conclusions

Conclusions

- Lot of progress in analytic calculations involving squared roots & elliptic integrals!
- relation between Landau and leading singularities for multi-loop integrals
- Include 5pt processes w/ internal masses (e.g. $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}j$)
- Complete missing calculations (e.g. $pp \rightarrow Hj @ 3L$ in the effective theory)
- Automation in the calculation of elliptic integrals?
- Extend and understand canonical form in DEQ for elliptic integrals

- Automated evaluations of (many) Feynman integrals (`SecDec`, `Fiesta`, ...)
- Deal w/ bottlenecks :: evaluation of integrals in the physical region
- Make extensive use of tropical geometry in numerical evaluations of not only leading poles of Feynman integrals or Feynman integrals
- Use LTD @ NNLO :: cancellation of IR & UV before loop integrations