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COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS FOR AMPLITUDES IN FULL-COLOR QCD

FULL-COLOR MASSLESS QCD AMPLITUDES

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INTEGRAL REDUCTIONS

INTEGRATION-BY-PART (IBP) IDENTITIES

$$
D_j = q_j^2 - m_j^2 + i\delta, \quad v^{\mu} \text{ loop or ext. mom.}
$$

- IBP identities in dimensional regularization since integrals over total derivatives vanish: $d^d k_1 \cdots d^d k_L$ ∂ ∂k_i^{μ} $\overline{\mu}$ (*v*^{μ}) 1 $D_1^{\nu_1} \cdots D_N^{\nu_N}$) = 0, $D_j = q_j^2$ $j^2 - m_j^2$ \hat{i} ² + $i\delta$, v^{μ}
- Implies linear relations between loop integrals *[Chetyrkin, Tkachov '81]*
- Integer indices: linear system of equations, allows for systematic reduction *[Laporta '00]*
- Only finite number of integrals linearly independent: basis or master integrals

symbolic exponents

S bases, LiteRed, Forcer, Syzygies

- Blade, … and many private ones
- Calculations at the symbolic level: syzygies, Gröbner bases, …
- Calculations at the linear algebra level: finite fields, …
- Often very powerful in practice: combination of both
- Alternative: intersection theory

• Various public reduction codes exists: Fire, Reduze, LiteRed, Kira, FiniteFlow, NeatIBP,

talks: Tobias Huber, Xiao Liu, Yan-Qing Ma, Mao Zeng, Johann Usovitsch, Yang Zhang

talks: Giulio Crisanti, Gaia Fontana, Andrzej Pokraka

FINITE FIELDS AND RATIONAL RECONSTRU

rational solver: reduce matrix $I_{\mathbb{Q}}$ of rational numbers

univariate solver: reduce matrix $I_{\mathbb{Q}[x]}$ of rational functions in x

aux solver: reduce matrix $I_{\mathbb{Z}_p[x]}$ of polynomials in x with finite field coefficients

[AvM, Schabinger '14; Peraro '16; …], note: parallelizable, multivariate e.g. by iteration

(Illustration idea by V. Sotnikov)

gg → *γγ* @ 3 LOOPS

- Master integrals in terms of HPLs: *[Henn, Mistlberger, Smirnov, Wasser '20]*
- **•** gg → $γγ$ helicity amplitudes: *[Bargiela, Caola, AvM, Tancredi '21]*
	-
	- Compact analytical results for amplitudes

Number of diagrams

Number of inequivalent integral families

Number of integrals before IBPs and symn

Number of master integrals

Size of the Qgraf result [kB]

Size of the Form result before IBPs and syi Size of helicity amplitudes written in terms Size of helicity amplitudes written in terms

• Symbolic intermediate expressions sizable but allow for easy crossings, simple workflow

SYZYGY BASED IBPS WITHOUT DOTS

Baikov's parametric representation of Feynman integrals:

$$
I(\nu_1,\ldots,\nu_N)=\mathcal{N}\int \mathrm{d} z_1\cdots \mathrm{d} z_m P^{\frac{d-L-E-1}{2}}\frac{1}{z_1^{\nu_1}\cdots z_N^{\nu_N}}
$$

[Böhm, Georgoudis, Larsen, Schulze, Zhang '18]: useful for IBPs without dots

$$
0 = \int dz_1 \cdots dz_m \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \left(a_i P^{\frac{d-L-E-1}{2}} \frac{1}{z_1^{\nu_1} \cdots z_N^{\nu_N}} \right)
$$

=
$$
\int dz_1 \cdots dz_m \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{\partial a_i}{\partial z_i} + \frac{d-L-E-1}{2P} a_i \frac{\partial P}{\partial z_i} - \frac{\nu_i a_i}{z_i} \right) P^{\frac{d-L-E-1}{2}} \frac{1}{z_1^{\nu_1} \cdots z_N^{\nu_N}}
$$

explicit solutions to constraint:

$$
\left(\sum_{i=1}^N a_i \frac{\partial P}{\partial z_i}\right) + bP = 0
$$

in addition, require for denominators of sector:

$$
a_i=b_iz_i
$$

need intersection of two syzygy modules

(absence of dim. shifts)

(absence of dots)

SYZYGIES

- suppose that for given polynomials $f=(f_1,f_2,\ldots)$ one can find polynomials $s=(s_1,s_2,\ldots)$ such that $\sum_i f_i s_i = 0$, then s is called a syzygy
- if s is a syzygy, then $s \cdot g$ is a syzygy for any polynomial g
- the (infinite) set of syzygies for f is a syzygy module
- Reduction of numerators: "no-dot syzygies" *Zhang '18; …]*
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[Gluza, Kajda, Kosower '11; Schabinger '11; Ita '15; Larsen, Zhang '15; Böhm, Georgoudis, Larsen Schulze,

• Linear algebra approach: set degree restriction for monomials, use linear algebra with finite fields to determine syzygies (or intersections of syzygy modules) *[Agarwal, Jones, AvM '20]*

SYZYGY BASED IBPS WITHOUT NUMERATORS

[Lee-Pomeransky '13] representation:

$$
I(\nu_1,\ldots,\nu_N)=\mathcal{N}\left[\prod_{i=1}^N\int_0^\infty\mathrm{d} x_i x_i^{\nu_i-1}\right]G^{-d/2}\qquad\text{with } G=\mathcal{U}+\mathcal{F}
$$

[Bitoun, Bogner, Klausen, Panzer '17]: define (twisted) Mellin Transform

$$
\mathcal{M}{f}(v) := \left(\prod_{k=1}^{N} N \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{x_k^{\nu_k - 1} dx_k}{\Gamma(\nu_k)}\right) f(x_1, \ldots, x_N)
$$

Feynman integrals are Mellin transforms:

$$
\widetilde{\mathsf{I}}(\nu)
$$

with $\nu=(\nu_1,\ldots,\nu_N)$ and $\tilde l(\nu)=\Gamma[(L+1)d/2-\nu]I(\nu)$ (remark: similar for Baikov's rep.) Properties of Mellin transform

- Θ $\mathcal{M}{\alpha f + \beta g(\nu) = \alpha \mathcal{M}{f(\nu) + \beta \mathcal{M}{g(\nu)}}$ **a** $\mathcal{M}\{x_i f\}(\nu) = \nu_i \mathcal{M}\{f\}(\nu + e_i\})$
-

Define shift operators

 $(\hat{i}^+ F)(\nu_1,\ldots,\nu_N)$ $(\hat{i}^- F)(\nu_1,\ldots,\nu_N)$

which form Weyl algebra, $[\hat{i}^+, \hat{j}^-] = \delta_{ij}$

$$
=\mathcal{M}\left\{ \left. G^{-d/2}\right\} (\nu)
$$

8 $\mathcal{M}\{-\partial_i f\}(\nu) = \mathcal{M}\{f\}(\nu - e_i)$ (proof: partial integration + surface term is zero)

$$
(\bm{y})=\nu_i \mathcal{F}(\nu_1,\ldots,\nu_i+1,\ldots,\nu_N)\\(\bm{y})=\mathcal{F}(\nu_1,\ldots,\nu_i-1,\ldots,\nu_N)
$$

SHIFT RELATIONS FROM ANNIHILATORS [Lee '14; Bitoun, Bogner, Klausen, Panzer '17]: a differential operator P which annihilates $G^{-d/2}$

 \boldsymbol{P}

generates via the substitutions $x_i \rightarrow \hat{i}^+$, $\partial_i \rightarrow$ $M\{P$

In fact, every shift relation is related in this way. consider annihilators beyond linear order:

$$
\left[c_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N c_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum_{i,j=1}^N c_{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} + \ldots \right] G^{-d/2} = 0
$$

determine $c_0(x_1, \ldots, x_N), \ldots$ via syzygy equations:

$$
c_0\left[-\frac{2}{d}G^2\right]+\sum_{i=1}^Nc_i\left[G\frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i}\right]+\sum_{i,j=1}^Nc_{ij}\left[G\frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x_i\partial x_j}+\left(-\frac{d}{2}-1\right)\frac{\partial G}{\partial x_i}\frac{\partial G}{\partial x_j}\right]+\ldots=0
$$

Syzygies generate linear relations for Feynman integrals:

$$
\left(\left[c_0(\hat{1}^+,\ldots,\hat{N}^+)-\sum_{i=1}^Nc_i(\hat{1}^+,\ldots,\hat{N}^+)\hat{i}^-+\sum_{i,j=1}^Nc_{ij}(\hat{1}^+,\ldots,\hat{N}^+)\hat{i}^-\hat{j}^-+\ldots\right]\hat{i}\right)(\nu_1,\ldots,\nu_N)=0
$$

$$
G^{-d/2}
$$

$$
-\hat{i}^-
$$
 a shift relation according to

$$
G^{-d/2}\} = 0
$$

SOLVING THE MASTER INTEGRALS

SOLVE INTEGRALS: DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

• Integration of differential equations *[Kotikov '91, Remiddi '97]*: $\partial_x I(x; \epsilon) = A(x; \epsilon)I(x; \epsilon)$ ⃗ ⃗

where $\varepsilon = (4 - d)/2$ (analytical or through series expansions)

- Homogeneous solutions for $\epsilon = 0$ (leading singularities):
	- *Rational number*, e.g. 1/2
	- *Rational functions*, e.g. 1/*x*
	- *Algebraic functions*, e.g. *x*(*x* − 4)
	- **Elliptic integrals**, e.g. $K(x) = \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x^2}}$, ... $K(x) = \begin{bmatrix}$ 1 0

• Basis change involving homogenous solutions may allow to find ϵ -form: $d\vec{m} = \epsilon \, \text{dln}(l_a(x)) A^{(a)}(x) \, \vec{m}$

[Henn '13]

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}z}{\sqrt{(1-z^2)(1-xz^2)}},\ldots
$$

talks: William Torres Bobadilla, Jacob Bourjaily, Ekta Chaubey, Seva Chestnov, Christoph Dlapa, Martijn Hidding, Simone Zoia

- General observation *[Panzer 2014; AvM, Panzer, Schabinger 2014]*:
	- any *divergent* loop integral can be expressed via **finite** basis integrals
- Expand integrands of *finite* integrals around $\epsilon = (4 d)/2 \approx 0$
	- If linearly reducible: integrate *analytically* with HyperInt *[Panzer 2014]*
	- Improved *numerical* evaluations, used for HH *[Borowka, Greiner, Heinrich, Jones, Kerner '16]*, Hj

[Jones, Kerner, Lusioni '18], ZH *[Chen, Davies, Heinrich, Jones, Kerner, Mishima, Schlenk, Steinhauser '22]* …

SOLVE INTEGRALS: METHOD OF FINITE INTEGRALS

[Agarwal, AvM, Jones 2020]

GENERALIZED FINITE INTEGRALS

$$
I(\nu_1, ..., \nu_N) = (-1)^{r + \Delta t} \Gamma(\nu - L d/2) \int \left(\prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}_T} dx_j \right) \left(\prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}} dx_j \right)
$$

$$
\left[\left(\prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{\backslash T}} \frac{\partial^{|\nu_j|}}{\partial x_j^{|\nu_j|}} \right) \left(\prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{\Delta t}} \frac{\partial^{|\nu_j|+1}}{\partial x_j^{|\nu_j|+1}} \right) \frac{\mathcal{U}^{\nu - (L+1)}}{\mathcal{F}^{\nu - L}}
$$

Numerical integration used pySecDec *[Borowka, Heinrich, Jahn, Jones, Kerner, Schlenk, Zirke 2017] talk: Gudrun Heinrich*

MULTIVARIATE PARTIAL FRACTIONS

• Univariate partial fraction decomposition separates singularities:

$$
\frac{x}{(x-1)(x+1)^2} = -\frac{1}{4(x+1)} + \frac{1}{2(x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{4(x+1)^2}
$$

• Iterated partial fractioning introduces spurious poles in multivariate case:

$$
\frac{1}{(x-f(y))(x-g(y))} = \frac{1}{(f(y)-g(y))} \frac{1}{(x-f(y))} - \frac{1}{(f(y)-g(y))} \frac{1}{(x-g(y))}
$$

for example:

$$
\frac{1}{(x+y)(x-y)} = \frac{1}{2y} \frac{1}{(x-y)} - \frac{1}{2y} \frac{1}{(x+y)}
$$

- Our approach to be discussed in the following: MultivariateApart [*Heller, AvM '21]*
- Related work: *[Pak '11, Abreu ea '19, Boehm ea '20, Bendle ea '21, De Laurentis ea '22]]*
- Motivation: (non-planar) amplitudes sometimes reduced by factor $O(100)$ in size with respect to common denominator representation

talks: Giuseppe De Laurentis, Yang Zhang

\n- Leinartas' decomposition
\n- $$
r(x_1, \ldots) = \sum_{\mathcal{S}} \frac{n_{\mathcal{S}}(x_1, \ldots)}{\prod_{i \in \mathcal{S}} d_i^{\alpha_i}(x_1, \ldots)}
$$
\n

where denominator factors of each term

- i. have common zeros (in algebraic closure of coefficient field)
- ii. are algebraically independent (no polynomial $g(y_1, ...)$ such that $g(d_1(x_1, ...) , ...) = 0$)
- Description (and existing algorithms) *not unique*:

$$
r(x,y) = \frac{2x - y}{x(x + y)(x - y)}.
$$
 has e.g. the

$$
r(x,y) = \frac{1}{x(x+y)} + \frac{1}{(x-y)(x+y)}
$$
 and
$$
r(x,y) = \frac{3}{2x(x+y)} + \frac{1}{2x(x-y)}
$$

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ese Leinartas decompositions

- Our *wish-list* for a good partial fractioning algorithm:
	- i. It should give a unique answer, independent of input form.
	- ii. It should not introduce spurious denominators.
	- iii. It should commute with summation.
	- iv. It should eliminate spurious denominators if present in input.
- Will solve (i),(ii),(iii). Also (iv) with auxiliary step.

PARTIAL FRACTIONS VIA POLYNOMIAL REDUCTIONS

• Algorithm: write inverse denominators as $q_i = 1/d_i$ and reduce polynomial in $q_1,...,x_1,...$ with respect to ideal

 $I = \langle q_1 d_1(x_1,...) - 1,..., q_m d_m(x_1,...) - 1 \rangle$

- Here, **polynomial reduction** means *p*^{$'$} = *p* − *u* ⋅ *g*
- Depending on monomial ordering we can ensure specific features of output form:
	- \cdot Theorem I: Result is always unique if we consider all g from a Gröbner basis
	- Theorem II: Sorting q_1, \ldots before x_1, \ldots guarantees Leinartas (i) *(useful since it separates singular behavior)*
	- Theorem III: A lexicographic ordering of the q_1, \ldots and x_1, \ldots (separately) guarantees also Leinartas (ii) *(a possible choice, but not necessarily needed)*

such that p' "smaller" than p for some monomial ordering, u is an arbitrary polynomial and $g \in I$

PROOF OF THEOREM II

- Leinartas' (i): separation of zeros
- Hilbert's Nullstellensatz: polynomials d_i have common zeros if and only if there is

$$
1=\sum_i h_i(x_1,\ldots)\,d_i^{\alpha_i}(x_1,\ldots)
$$

• We can then write

$$
\frac{1}{d_1^{\alpha_1}\cdots d_m^{\alpha_m}}=\sum_i\frac{h_i(x_1,\ldots)}{d_1^{\alpha_1}\cdots\hat{d_i}^{\alpha_i}\cdots d_m^{\alpha_m}}
$$

or, using inverse denominators $q_i = 1/d_i$

$$
q_1^{\alpha_1}\cdots q_m^{\alpha_m}-\sum_i h_i(x_1,\ldots)q_1^{\alpha_1}\cdots \hat{q_i}^{\alpha_i}\cdots q_m^{\alpha_m}=0
$$

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• Assuming the monomial ordering sorts first for the q_i and then for the x_i , the last equation is a reduction step • A fully reduced polynomial will therefore separate denominators with common zeros, which proves Theorem II.

PROOF OF THEOREM III

sion by ${c}_\beta d^{\beta+1}$ gives then

• For a lexicographic ordering first for the q_i we pick the unique β' such that $(q^{\alpha})^p$ minimal, cancel $q_i d_i = 1$, and write q_i we pick the unique β' such that $(q^{\alpha})^{\beta'}$ minimal, cancel $q_id_i=1$

 $(\gamma_i),0) = 0.$

which gives a reduction. This proves Theorem III.

- Leinartas' (ii): separation of algebraically dependent polynomials
- \cdot If a set of denominators is algebraically dependent, there is a polynomial p with $|p(d_1^{\alpha_1},\ldots,d_m^{\alpha_m})=0|$
- We can solve this equation for a term with lowest degree and get

$$
c_{\beta}(d^{\alpha})^{\beta} = -\sum_{\gamma \in S} c_{\gamma}(d^{\alpha})^{\gamma}
$$

where $\sum_{i} \beta_{i} \le \sum_{i} \gamma_{i}$
Divis
$$
\frac{1}{d_{1}^{\alpha_{1}} \cdots d_{m}^{\alpha_{m}}} = -\sum_{\gamma \in S} \frac{c_{\gamma}}{c_{\beta}} \prod_{i=1}^{m} \frac{d_{i}^{\alpha_{i} \gamma_{i}}}{d_{i}^{\alpha_{i}(\beta_{i}+1)}}.
$$

which may or may correspond to a polynomial reduction in general.

$$
q_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots q_m^{\alpha_m} + \sum_{\gamma \in S} \frac{c_{\gamma}}{c_{\beta'}} \prod_{i=1}^m d_i^{\max(\alpha_i(\gamma_i - \beta'_i - 1), 0)} q_i^{\max(\alpha_i(\beta'_i + 1 - \gamma'_i - 1))}
$$

PERFORMANCE ORIENTED MONOMIAL ORDERING

- \cdot Issue I: lexicographic ordering may lead to high degrees in the q_1,\ldots
- Issue 2: lexicographic and total degree Gröbner basis often expensive to compute
- MultivariateApart default ordering: collect q_i which share the same variables into blocks, sort blocks lexicographically, sort by degree within block
- Sort first by spurious denominators, guarantees their elimination
- Good performance in practice, e.g. 5-pt 2-loop example:

solved also multivariate problems with up to degree 4 polynomials

EXAMPLE

- Decompose: $r(x, y) =$
- Ideal: $I = \langle q_1(x y) 1, q_2y 1, q_3(x + y) 1 \rangle$
- Monomal ordering: $\{\{q_3, q_1\}, \{q_2\}, \{x, y\}\}\$
- Gröbner basis:
- Reducing polynomial $r = (x 2y)q_1q_2q_3$ gives $r=-\frac{1}{2}$ 2 *q*1*q*² + 3 1 2 $q_2q_3 =$

$$
\frac{x-2y}{(x-y)y(x+y)}
$$

 $\{-1 + q_2y, -1 + q_1x - q_1y, -1 + q_2x + q_3y, -q_1q_2 + 2q_1q_3 + q_2q_3\}$ 2(*x* − *y*)*y* + 3 $2y(x + y)$

PARTIAL FRACTIONS FOR AMPLITUDES

[●] multivariateapart.nb

Univariate partial fractions separate terms with different poles:

$$
ln[1]:= \text{Apart}\left[\frac{1}{x(1+x)}, x\right]
$$
\n
$$
Out[1]=\frac{1}{x}-\frac{1}{1+x}
$$

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Let's consider a multivariate example:

$$
ln[2] := multi = \frac{2y - x}{y(x + y) (y - x)};
$$

Naive iteration introduces spurious poles (here 1/x) for multivariate case:

$$
In [3]:=\text{Apart [multi, y]}
$$

Out[3]= $\frac{1}{xy} + \frac{1}{2x(-x+y)} - \frac{3}{2x(x+y)}$

Solution: multivariate partial fractions using methods from polynomial ideal theory:

$$
In[4]:=\ \texttt{<< MultivariateApart}\texttt{'}
$$

MultivariateApart -- Multivariate partial fractions. By Matthias Heller and Andreas von Manteuffel.

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In[5]:= MultivariateApart[multi]
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Out[5] =\frac{1}{2(x-y)} + \frac{1}{2y(x+y)}
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Note: minimize denominator degrees (\neq Leinartas)

- PFD: significant *reduction in size*
- Easy to identify *linear relations* between coefficients
- Easy to *generate fast code* even for complicated amplitudes
- Representation can be tuned for *numerical stability* ! $\sec q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma \gamma j$ @ 2-loops *[Agarwal, Buccioni, AvM, Tancredi '21]*

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ACCURACY OF LEADING COLOR APPROXIMATIONS

Ex.: yyj @ NNLO: result w/ leading color virtual: [Chawdhry, Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet 2021] Public library for master integrals: PentagonFunctions [Chicherin, Sotnikov '20]

Leading color not always a good approximation:

e.g. 2-loop finite remainder for $u\bar{u} \rightarrow gy\gamma$ in Catani's scheme:

[Agarwal, Buccioni, AvM, Tancredi PRL '21]

IR BEYOND DIPOLES

soft anomalous dimension matrix @ 3 loops *[Almelid, Duhr, Gardi '15]*

 $\mathbf{\Gamma}(\{p\},\mu) = \mathbf{\Gamma}_{\text{dipole}}(\{p\},\mu) + \mathbf{\Delta}_4(\{p\})$

$$
\mathbf{\Gamma}_{\text{dipole}}(\{p\},\mu) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} \frac{\mathbf{T}_i^a \, \mathbf{T}_j^a}{2} \, \gamma^{\text{cusp}}(\alpha_{\text{s}}) \, \log \left(\frac{\mu^2}{-s_{ij} - i \delta} \right) \, + \, \sum_{i=1}^4
$$

$$
\mathbf{\Delta}_4^{(3)} = 128 \ f_{abe} \ f_{cde} \ \left[\mathbf{T}_1^a \ \mathbf{T}_2^c \ \mathbf{T}_3^b \ \mathbf{T}_4^d \ D_1(x) - \mathbf{T}_4^a \ \mathbf{T}_1^b \ \mathbf{T}_2^c \ \mathbf{T}_3^d \ D_1(x) \right. \newline - 16 \ C \ \sum_{i=1}^4 \ \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j < k \leq 4 \\ j,k \neq i}} \left\{ \mathbf{T}_i^a, \mathbf{T}_i^d \right\} \ \mathbf{T}_j^b \ \mathbf{T}_k^c \ ,
$$

Our calculations confirm the predicted quadrupole structure for QCD in all partonic channels $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}'$, $gg \rightarrow gg$, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg$

confirmed for N=4 four-point amplitude *[Henn, Mistlberger '16]*

[Caola, Chakraborty, Gambuti, AvM, Tancredi '21,'21,'22]

HIGH ENERGY LIMIT

- Interesting to study high-energy (Regge) limit of amplitudes beyond fixed order
-

$$
{\cal H}_{\rm ren,\pm} = \ Z_g^2 \, e^{L{\bf T}_t^2 \tau_g} \sum_{n=0}^3 \bar{\alpha}_s^n \sum_{k=0}^n L^k {\cal O}_k^{\pm,(n)} {\cal H}_{\rm ren}^{(0)},
$$

• Regge-cut description to define Regge trajectory beyond 3-loops *[Falcioni, Gardi, Maher, Milloy, Vernazza; Nov '21]*

 \cdot Our $q\bar{q} \to q'\bar{q}',$ $gg \to gg,$ $q\bar{q} \to gg$ calculations *[Caola, Chakraborty, Gambuti, AvM, Tancredi '21,'21,'22]*

$$
\frac{d^3y}{dt^3} + \frac{n_f}{N_c} \left(-4\zeta_4 - \frac{76\zeta_3}{9} + \frac{1711}{108}\right)
$$

+ $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$,

- allowed us to validate the framework and determine missing parameters:
- We extracted 3-loop gluon Regge trajectory, last building block for single-Reggeon exchanges at NNLL

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indep. extraction: *[Falcioni, Gardi, Maher, Milloy, Vernazza; Dec '21]*

• Gluon Regge trajectory and gluon and quark impact factors extracted from different partonic 3-loop amplitudes

agree

talk: Einan Gardi

TOWARDS ALL-N, FOUR-LOOP DGLAP EVOLUTION

SPLITTING FUNCTIONS

• Factorization of hadronic cross section:

$$
\sigma \sim \sum_{k} f_{k|N}(x) \otimes \sigma_{k}(x) \text{ with } x = -\frac{q^2}{2P \cdot q}
$$

- Splitting functions P_{ik} govern DGLAP evaluations of PDFs: $df_{i|N}$ *d* ln *μ* $= 2 \sum$ *k* P_{ik} ⊗ $f_{k|N}$
- Consistent N3LO cross section requires 4-loop splitting functions, only partially known:
	- Large n_f limit *[Gracey '94,'96; Davies, Vogt, Ruijl, Ueda, Vermageren '16]*
	- Non-singlet $n \leq 16$ from off-shell OMEs *[Moch, Ruijl, Ueda, Vermaseren, Vogt '17]*
	- Singlet $n \leq 8$ from DIS *[Moch, Ruijl, Ueda, Vermaseren, Vogt '21]*
	- Pure-singlet, gluon-quark $n \leq 20$ from off-shell OMEs [Falcioni, Herzog, Moch, Vogt '23, '23]
	- Approximate N3LO PDF fits *[McGowan, Cridge, Harland-Lang, Thorne '22; Hekhorn, Magni '23]*
	- This talk: all-n results for pure-singlet n_f^2 splitting functions *f*

[Image credit: Tong-Zhi Yang]

SPLITTING FUNCTIONS FROM OPERATORS

• With Mellin transform $f_q(n) = -\int_0^1 dx x^{n-1} f_q(x)$, 1 0 $dx x^{n-1} f_q(x)$, γ_{ij}

• The $\gamma_{ij}(n)$ appear as anomalous dimensions of twist-two operators, e.g. flavor non-singlet: $O_{q,k} =$ *i n*−1 $\overline{2}$ \lfloor *ψ*Δ*μγ^μ*(Δ ⋅ *D*)

with multiplicative renormalization $\; O_{q,k}^R = Z^{ns} O_{q,k}^B\;$ where

• Poles of (off-shell) operator matrix elements: **efficient** way to find $f_q(n)$

DGLAP becomes $df_i(n,\mu)$ *d* ln *μ* $=-2\sum$ *j γij* (*n*) *f j* (*n*, *μ*)

$$
y_{ij}(n) = -\int_0^1 dx x^{n-1} P_{ij}(x)
$$

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l,\mu)
$$

$$
\left[D\right)^{n-1} \frac{\lambda_k}{2} \psi
$$
\n
\n $\frac{dZ^{ns}}{d \ln \mu} = -2\gamma^{ns} Z^{ns}$

SINGLET CASE AND OPERATOR MIXING

• Singlet twist-two operators:

- Singlet operators mix under renormalization
- For off-shell OME, also new, unknown gauge-variant operators contribute
- Gauge-variant operators caused confusion in early literature
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- Our goal: all-n results
- Our method: directly compute **counter term Feynman rules** from multi-leg off-shell OMEs *[Gehrmann, AvM, Yang '23]*

• Construction of operators for fixed Mellin moment n from generalized BRST: *[Falcioni, Herzog '22]*

$$
O_q = \frac{i^{n-1}}{2} \left[\overline{\psi} \Delta_\mu \gamma^\mu (\Delta \cdot D)^{n-1} \psi \right]
$$

$$
O_g = -\frac{i^{n-2}}{2} \left[\Delta_\mu G^{a\mu} (\Delta \cdot D)^{n-2}_{ab} \Delta_\kappa G_b^{\ \kappa\nu} \right]
$$

COUNTER TERMS FROM MULTI-LEG OMES

. Renormalization

- Take OMEs according to $\langle j | O | j + mg \rangle$ with $j = q, g, c$ and m additional gluons
- Expand $[ZO]^{GV} = \sum [ZO]^{GV,(l)} \alpha_s^l$, determine counter terms from OMEs with extra legs, e.g.: *l*

[Gehrmann, AvM, Yang '23]

$$
\pi: \begin{pmatrix} O_q \\ O_g \\ O_{ABC} \end{pmatrix}^R = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{qq} & Z_{qg} & Z_{qA} \\ Z_{gq} & Z_{gg} & Z_{gA} \\ Z_{Aq} & Z_{Ag} & Z_{AA} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} O_q \\ O_g \\ O_{ABC} \end{pmatrix}^B + \begin{pmatrix} [ZO]_q^{GV} \\ [ZO]_g^{GV} \\ [ZO]_A^{GV} \end{pmatrix}^B
$$

THREE-LOOP SPLITTING FUNCTIONS

- Operator insertions introduce *n* dependent powers of scalar products
- Use tracing parameter t to map to standard linear propagators *[Ablinger, Blümlein, Hasselhuhn, Schneider, Wissbrock '12]* $(\Delta \cdot p)^{n-1} \rightarrow$ ∞ ∑ *n*=1 *t n* $(\Delta \cdot p)^{n-1} =$ *t* $1-t\Delta \cdot p$

allows to use standard IBP technology

- \cdot We applied our method to 3-loop splitting functions, computation in general R_ξ gauge
- Differential equations in t , find ϵ factorized form using Canonica and Libra, boundary val. known
- Complicated counter terms, involve generalized harmonic sums
- Gauge parameter ξ drops out, full agreement with *[Moch, Vermaseren, Vogt '04, '04]*

FOUR-LOOP PURE SINGLET: N_f^2 , ALL-N *f*

• Four-loop contributions for quark, with two or three closed fermion loops *[Gehrmann, AvM, Sotnikov, Yang '23]*

(singlet and non-singlet, also non-planar)

- Use syzygies, compute with linear algebra
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- Simple analytical result for splitting functions in terms of HPLs and powers of x

• Finred with finite field sampling to derive differential equations, reduction of amplitude

ALL-N RESULT IMPROVES SMALL X KNOWLEDGE

- \cdot $n \leq 20$ by [Falcioni, Herzog, Moch, Vogt '23]
- partial information for $x \to 0$: *[Catani, Hautmann '94; Davies, Kom, Moch, Vogt '22]*
- leading terms for $x \to 1$: *[Soar, Moch, Vermaseren, Vogt '09]*
- Generate fit similar to *[Falcioni, Herzog,* Moch, Vogt '23], compare to all-n result:

CONCLUSIONS

- First complete calculations in full-color, massless QCD:
	- 5 points @ 2 loops
	- 4 points @ 3 loops
	- 3 points @ 4 loops
	- First steps towards exact 4-loop splitting functions
- This was possible due to progress with
	- IBP reductions
	- Solutions of master integrals
	- Treatment of rational functions
- Room for improvement for all three parts

From: *Snowmass survey of 53 recent perturbative calculations [Febres-Cordero, AvM, Neumann '22]*

