### COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS FOR AMPLITUDES IN FULL-COLOR QCD



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## FULL-COLOR MASSLESS QCD AMPLITUDES





 $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [Caola, AvM, Tancredi '20]  $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [Bargiela, Caola, AvM, Tancredi '21]  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow q'\bar{q}', gg \rightarrow gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow gg$ : [Caola, Chakraborty, Gambuti, AvM, Tancredi '21,'21,'22]  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma g$ : [Bargiela, Chakraborty, Gambuti '22]



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## INTEGRAL REDUCTIONS

## **INTEGRATION-BY-PART (IBP) IDENTITIES**

- IBP identities in dimensional regularization since integrals over total derivatives vanish: •  $\int d^d k_1 \cdots d^d k_L \frac{\partial}{\partial k_i^{\mu}} \left( v^{\mu} \frac{1}{D_1^{\nu_1} \cdots D_N^{\nu_N}} \right) = 0$
- 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

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



#### 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



"Laporta's algorithm"

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



#### FIELDS AND RATIONAL RECONSTRU H

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







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



#### **REDUCTIONS AND COMPLEXITY** ln (expression size) • $\mathscr{A} = \sum a_i I_i$ (unreduced integrals $I_i$ ) by-pass with finite field sampling traditional )symbolic algebra **IBP** reduction + rat-recohstr. • $\mathcal{A} = \sum b_i M_i$ (master integrals $M_i$ ) partial)fractioning • $\mathcal{A} = \sum pf(b_i)M_i$ (partial fractioned $b_i$ ) analytical integration • $\mathcal{A} = \sum pf(c_i)P_i$ (transcendental functions $P_i$ )



(Illustration idea by V. Sotnikov)

# $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma @ 3 LOOPS$

- Master integrals in terms of HPLs: [Henn, Mistlberger, Smirnov, Wasser '20]
- $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  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 symmetry

Number of master integrals

Size of the Qgraf result [kB]

Size of the Form result before IBPs and syn 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

	1L	$2\mathrm{L}$	3L
	6	138	3299
	1	2	3
netries	209	20935	4370070
	6	39	486
	4	90	2820
mmetries [kB]	276	54364	19734644
s of MIs [kB]	12	562	304409
s of HPLs [kB]	136	380	1195



#### Syzygy Based IBPs Without Dots

Baikov's parametric representation of Feynman integrals:

$$I(\nu_1,\ldots,\nu_N) = \mathcal{N}\int \mathrm{d} z_1\cdots\mathrm{d} z_m P^{rac{d-L-E-1}{2}} rac{1}{z_1^{
u_1}\cdots z_N^{
u_N}}$$

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

$$\begin{split} 0 &= \int \mathrm{d} z_1 \cdots \mathrm{d} z_m \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \left( \mathsf{a}_i P^{\frac{d-L-E-1}{2}} \frac{1}{z_1^{\nu_1} \cdots z_N^{\nu_N}} \right) \\ &= \int \mathrm{d} z_1 \cdots \mathrm{d} z_m \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \frac{\partial \mathsf{a}_i}{\partial z_i} + \frac{d-L-E-1}{2P} \mathsf{a}_i \frac{\partial P}{\partial z_i} - \frac{\nu_i \mathsf{a}_i}{z_i} \right) P^{\frac{d-L-E-1}{2}} \frac{1}{z_1^{\nu_1} \cdots z_N^{\nu_N}} \end{split}$$

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:

$$a_i = b_i z_i$$

need intersection of two syzygy modules

(absence of dim. shifts)

(absence of dots)

#### SYZYGIES

- suppose that for given polynomials  $f = (f_1, f_2, ...)$  one can find polynomials  $s = (s_1, s_2, ...)$ 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:

$$I(
u_1, \dots, 
u_N) = \mathcal{N}\left[\prod_{i=1}^N \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d} x_i x_i^{
u_i - 1}
ight] G^{-d/2} \qquad ext{with } G = \mathcal{U} + \mathcal{F}$$

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

$$\mathcal{M}{f}(\nu) := \left(\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} N \int_0^\infty \frac{x_k^{\nu_k - 1} \mathrm{d} x_k}{\Gamma(\nu_k)}\right) f(x_1, \dots, x_N)$$

Feynman integrals are Mellin transforms:

$$\widetilde{I}(
u)$$

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

Define shift operators

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

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

$$=\mathcal{M}\left\{ G^{-d/2}
ight\} (
u)$$

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

$$egin{aligned} & (
u_1,\dots,
u_i+1,\dots,
u_N) \ & (
u_1,\dots,
u_i-1,\dots,
u_N) \end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

Syzygies generate linear relations for Feynman integrals:

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

$$G^{-d/2}$$
  
 $-\hat{i}^{-}$  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]:  $\partial_x \vec{I}(x;\epsilon) = A(x;\epsilon)\vec{I}(x;\epsilon)$ 

where  $\epsilon = (4 - d)/2$  (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.  $\sqrt{x(x-4)}$
  - Elliptic integrals, e.g.  $K(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

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

[Henn '13]



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

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





### SOLVE INTEGRALS: METHOD OF FINITE INTEGRALS

- 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] ...



## GENERALIZED FINITE INTEGRALS

Integral	Rel.Err.	Timing(
$(4-2\epsilon)$	~2*10^-3	45
$(4-2\epsilon)$ (k <sub>2</sub> <sup>2</sup> - m <sub>t</sub> <sup>2</sup> )	~4*10^-2	63
$(6-2\epsilon)$	~8*10^-6	55
$(6-2\epsilon)$	~8*10^-4	60
Linear combination	~ * 0^-4	18

$$I(\nu_1, ..., \nu_N) = (-1)^{r+\Delta t} \Gamma(\nu - L d/2) \int \left( \prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}_T} \mathrm{d}x_j \right) \left( \prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}} \frac{\partial^{|\nu_j|}}{\partial x_j^{|\nu_j|}} \right) \left( \prod_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{\Delta t}} \frac{\partial^{|\nu_j|+1}}{\partial x_j^{|\nu_j|+1}} \right) \frac{\mathcal{U}^{\nu-(L+1)}}{\mathcal{F}^{\nu-L}}$$

[Agarwal, AvM, Jones 2020]

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





### MULTIVARIATE PARTIAL FRACTIONS

Univariate partial fraction decomposition separates singularities:

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

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



Leinartas' decomposition  

$$r(x_1,...) = \sum_{S} \frac{n_S(x_1,...)}{\prod_{i \in S} d_i^{\alpha_i}(x_1,...)}$$

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*: •

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

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

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  $q_1, \ldots, x_1, \ldots$  with respect to ideal

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

- Here, polynomial reduction means  $p' = p - u \cdot g$
- Depending on monomial ordering we can ensure specific features of output form:
  - 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)
  - (a possible choice, but not necessarily needed)

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

• Theorem III: A lexicographic ordering of the  $q_1, \ldots$  and  $x_1, \ldots$  (separately) guarantees also Leinartas (ii)



# 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  $q_i = 1/d_i$ 

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

• 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.



- Leinartas' (ii): separation of algebraically dependent polynomials
- 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

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

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

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

# 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  $\beta'$  such that  $(q^{\alpha})^{\beta'}$  minimal, cancel  $q_i d_i = 1$ , and write

 $^{-\gamma_i),0)}=0.$ 

which gives a reduction. This proves Theorem III.



#### PERFORMANCE ORIENTED MONOMIAL ORDERING

- 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:

Algorithm	Runtime	File size	Max. mon. deg.	Max. term lengt
Ref. [12]		25.1 MB	20	3564
Global GB	$863 \min$	22.6 MB	12	3109
Local GB	$356 \min$	21.3  MB	12	3048

solved also multivariate problems with up to degree 4 polynomials





# EXAMPLE

- Decompose:  $r(x, y) = \frac{x 2y}{(x y)y(x + y)}$
- 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 1 3 1 3  $r = -\frac{1}{2}q_1q_2 + \frac{1}{2}q_2q_3 = \frac{1}{2(x-y)y} + \frac{1}{2}y(x+y)$

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

 $\{-1 + q_2y, -1 + q_1x - q_1y, -1 + q_3x + q_3y, -q_1q_2 + 2q_1q_3 + q_2q_3\}$ 

### PARTIAL FRACTIONS FOR AMPLITUDES

multivariateapart.nb

Univariate partial fractions separate terms with different poles:

$$In[1] = Apart \left[ \frac{1}{x (1 + x)}, x \right]$$
$$Out[1] = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{1 + x}$$

Let's consider a multivariate example:

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

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

$$In[3] = Apart[multi, y]$$

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

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

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

Note: minimize denominator degrees (*≠* 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* ! see  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma j$  @ 2-loops

[Agarwal, Buccioni, AvM, Tancredi '21]



# AMPLITUDES IN FULL-COLOR QCD

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### **ACCURACY OF LEADING COLOR APPROXIMATIONS**

Ex.:  $\gamma\gamma j @$  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  $u\bar{u} \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma$  in Catani's scheme:



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

# IR BEYOND DIPOLES



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

 $\Gamma(\{p\},\mu) = \Gamma_{ ext{dipole}}(\{p\},\mu) + \Delta_4(\{p\})$ 

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

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{\Delta}_{4}^{(3)} &= \ 128 \ f_{abe} \ f_{cde} \ \left[ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{4}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{a} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{b} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ D_{1}(x) - \mathbf{T}_{4}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{1}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{2}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{d} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{c} \ \mathbf{T}_{3}^{$$

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





 $D_2(x)$ 

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

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



# HIGH ENERGY LIMIT

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

$$\mathcal{H}_{\mathrm{ren},\pm} = Z_g^2 e^{L\mathbf{T}_t^2 au_g} \sum_{n=0}^3 ar{lpha}_s^n \sum_{k=0}^n L^k \mathcal{O}_k^{\pm,(n)} \mathcal{H}_{\mathrm{ren}}^{(0)},$$

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

$\tau_{2} = K_{2} + N^{2} \left( 16C \right)$	$40\zeta_2\zeta_3$	$77\zeta_4$ 66	$564\zeta_3 = 319$	$96\zeta_2$ _ 29702
$r_3 = r_3 + r_c \int 10\zeta$	5 + -3	$-\frac{-}{3}$	27 6	$\overline{31}^{+}$ $\overline{1458}$
$+ N_c n_f \left( rac{412\zeta_2}{81} \right)$	$+\frac{2\zeta_4}{3}+\frac{632}{9}$	$\frac{2\zeta_3}{2} - \frac{17144}{2916}$	$\left(\frac{9}{5}\right) + n_f^2 \left($	$\frac{928}{729} - \frac{128\zeta_3}{27}$

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

• agree

talk: Einan Gardi

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

$$\left( \frac{9}{N_c} \right) + \frac{n_f}{N_c} \left( -4\zeta_4 - \frac{76\zeta_3}{9} + \frac{1711}{108} \right)$$
$$+ \mathcal{O}(\epsilon),$$

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



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:  $\frac{df_{i|N}}{d\ln\mu} = 2\sum_{k} P_{ik} \otimes f_{k|N}$
- Consistent N3LO cross section requires 4-loop splitting functions, only partially known:
  - Large n<sub>f</sub> 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



[Image credit: Tong-Zhi Yang]

# SPLITTING FUNCTIONS FROM OPERATORS

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

DGLAP becomes  $\frac{df_i(n,\mu)}{d\ln\mu} = -2\sum_i \gamma_{ij}(n)f_j(n,\mu)$ 

• The  $\gamma_{ij}(n)$  appear as anomalous dimensions of twist-two operators, e.g. flavor non-singlet:  $O_{q,k} = \frac{i^{n-1}}{2} \left[ \overline{\psi} \Delta_{\mu} \gamma^{\mu} (\Delta - i) \right]$ 

with multiplicative renormalization  $O_{q,k}^R = Z^{ns}O_{q,k}^R$ 

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

$$x), \ \gamma_{ij}(n) = -\int_{0}^{1} dx \, x^{n-1} P_{ij}(x)$$

$$(\mu,\mu)$$

$$(D)^{n-1} \frac{\lambda_k}{2} \psi \bigg]$$

$$\int_{q,k}^{B} \text{ where } \frac{dZ^{ns}}{d \ln \mu} = -2\gamma^{ns} Z^{ns}$$





# SINGLET CASE AND OPERATOR MIXING

Singlet twist-two operators:

$$O_{q} = \frac{i^{n-1}}{2} \left[ \overline{\psi} \Delta_{\mu} \gamma^{\mu} (\Delta \cdot D)^{n-1} \psi \right]$$
$$O_{g} = -\frac{i^{n-2}}{2} \left[ \Delta_{\mu} G^{a \mu}{}_{\nu} (\Delta \cdot D)^{n-2} \Delta_{\kappa} G_{b}{}^{\kappa \nu} \right]$$

- 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]

### COUNTER TERMS FROM MULTI-LEG OMES

. Renormalization

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

- 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.:

Legs	2	3	4	Ę
0		$[ZO]_g^{\mathrm{GV},(2)}$	$O_{ABC}$	$O_q,$
1	$[ZO]_g^{\mathrm{GV},(2)}$	$O_{ABC}$	$O_g$	
2	$O_{ABC}$	$O_g$		
3	$O_q, O_g$			

[Gehrmann, AvM, Yang '23]





### 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]  $(\Delta \cdot p)^{n-1} \to \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t^n (\Delta \cdot p)^{n-1} = \frac{t}{1 - t \Delta \cdot p}$

allows to use standard IBP technology

- We applied our method to 3-loop splitting functions, computation in general  $R_{\varepsilon}$  gauge
- •
- Complicated counter terms, involve generalized harmonic sums
- Gauge parameter  $\xi$  drops out, full agreement with [Moch, Vermaseren, Vogt '04, '04]

Differential equations in t, find  $\epsilon$  factorized form using Canonica and Libra, boundary val. known



# FOUR-LOOP PURE SINGLET: $N_f^2$ , ALL-N

 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
- 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

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



[Gehrmann, AvM, Sotnikov, Yang '23]



# 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]

