

Integrand-level reduction at one and higher loops

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Introduction and motivation

Motivation

- Understanding the basic **analytic and algebraic structure** of **integrand**s and **integrals** of **scattering amplitudes**
- Exploration of methods for obtaining theoretical predictions in **perturbative Quantum Field Theory** at higher orders, required for experiments in high-energy physics

We developed a coherent framework for the **integrand decomposition** of Feynman integrals

- based on simple concepts of **algebraic geometry**
- applicable at all loops

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Integrand reduction

- Generic ℓ -loop integral:

$$\mathcal{M}_n = \int d^d q_1 \dots d^d q_\ell \mathcal{I}_{i_1 \dots i_n}, \quad \mathcal{I}_{i_1 \dots i_n} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_n}}{D_{i_1} \dots D_{i_n}}$$

- the **numerator** $\mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_n}$ is **polynomial** in q_i
- the **denominators** D_i are **quadratic polynomials** in q_i
- The **integrand-reduction method** leads to the **decomposition**:

$$\mathcal{I}_{i_1 \dots i_n} = \frac{\Delta_{i_1 \dots i_n}}{D_{i_1} \dots D_{i_n}} + \dots + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\Delta_{i_k}}{D_{i_k}} + \Delta_\emptyset$$

- The **residues** $\Delta_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ are **irreducible** polynomials in q_i
 - **universal** topology-dependent **parametric form**
 - the **coefficients** of the parametrization are process-dependent

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- By **integrating** the integrand decomposition

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 \Rightarrow **spurious** terms
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 \Rightarrow **reduction to MIs** \equiv **polynomial fit** of the **residues**

The one-loop decomposition

At one loop the result is well known:

- the **integrand** decomposition

[Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau (2007); Ellis, Giele, Kunstz, Melnikov (2008)]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_{i_1 \dots i_n} = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_n}}{D_{i_1} \dots D_{i_n}} &= \sum_{j_1 \dots j_5} \frac{\Delta_{j_1 j_2 j_3 j_4 j_5}}{D_{j_1} D_{j_2} D_{j_3} D_{j_4} D_{j_5}} + \sum_{j_1 j_2 j_3 j_4} \frac{\Delta_{j_1 j_2 j_3 j_4}}{D_{j_1} D_{j_2} D_{j_3} D_{j_4}} \\ &+ \sum_{j_1 j_2 j_3} \frac{\Delta_{j_1 j_2 j_3}}{D_{j_1} D_{j_2} D_{j_3}} + \sum_{j_1 j_2} \frac{\Delta_{j_1 j_2}}{D_{j_1} D_{j_2}} + \sum_{j_1} \frac{\Delta_{j_1}}{D_{j_1}} \end{aligned}$$

- the **integral** decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} &= c_{4,0} \text{ (square)} + c_{3,0} \text{ (triangle)} + c_{2,0} \text{ (circle)} + c_{1,0} \text{ (circle)} \\ &+ c_{4,4} \text{ (square, } d+4) + c_{3,7} \text{ (triangle, } d+2) + c_{2,9} \text{ (circle, } d+2) \end{aligned}$$

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Integrand reduction and polynomials

- At ℓ -loops we want to achieve the **integrand decomposition**:

$$\mathcal{I}_{i_1 \dots i_n}(q_1, \dots, q_\ell) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_n}}{D_{i_1} \dots D_{i_n}} = \frac{\Delta_{i_1 \dots i_n}}{D_{i_1} \dots D_{i_n}} + \dots + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\Delta_{i_k}}{D_{i_k}} + \Delta_\emptyset$$

- The **residues** $\Delta_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ must be **irreducible**
 - can't be written as a combination of denominators $D_{i_1} \dots D_{i_k}$
- We trade (q_1, \dots, q_ℓ) with their coordinates $\mathbf{z} \equiv (z_1, \dots, z_m)$
 - \Rightarrow numerator and denominators \equiv **polynomials** in \mathbf{z}

$$\mathcal{I}_{i_1 \dots i_n}(\mathbf{z}) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_n}(\mathbf{z})}{D_{i_1}(\mathbf{z}) \dots D_{i_n}(\mathbf{z})}$$

- We can reformulate the **integrand reduction** as a problem of **multivariate polynomial division**

Residues via polynomial division

Y. Zhang (2012), P. Mastrolia, E. Mirabella, G. Ossola, T.P. (2012)

- Define the **Ideal** of polynomials

$$\mathcal{J}_{i_1 \dots i_n} \equiv \langle D_{i_1}, \dots, D_{i_n} \rangle = \left\{ p(\mathbf{z}) : p(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_j h_j(\mathbf{z}) D_j(\mathbf{z}), h_j \in P[\mathbf{z}] \right\}$$

- Take a **Gröbner basis** $G_{\mathcal{J}_{i_1 \dots i_n}}$ of $\mathcal{J}_{i_1 \dots i_n}$

$$G_{\mathcal{J}_{i_1 \dots i_n}} = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\} \quad \text{such that} \quad \mathcal{J}_{i_1 \dots i_n} = \langle g_1, \dots, g_s \rangle$$

- Perform the **multivariate polynomial division** $\mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_n} / G_{\mathcal{J}_{i_1 \dots i_n}}$

$$\mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_n}(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1} i_{k+1} \dots i_n}(\mathbf{z}) D_{i_k}(\mathbf{z}) + \Delta_{i_1 \dots i_n}(\mathbf{z})$$

- The **remainder** $\Delta_{i_1 \dots i_n}$ is **irreducible** \Rightarrow can be identified with the **residue**

Recursive Relation for the integrand decomposition

P. Mastrolia, E. Mirabella, G. Ossola, T.P. (2012)

The recursive formula

$$\mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_n} = \sum_{k=1}^n \mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1} i_{k+1} \dots i_n} D_{i_k} + \Delta_{i_1 \dots i_n}$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{i_1 \dots i_n} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{N}_{i_1 \dots i_n}}{D_{i_1} \dots D_{i_n}} = \sum_k \mathcal{I}_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1} i_{k+1} \dots i_n} + \frac{\Delta_{i_1 \dots i_n}}{D_{i_1} \dots D_{i_n}}$$

- **Fit-on-the-cut** approach
 - from a generic \mathcal{N} , get the **parametric form** of the residues Δ
 - determine the **coefficients** sampling on the **cuts** (impose $D_i = 0$)
- **Divide-and-Conquer** approach
 - generate the \mathcal{N} of the process
 - compute the residues by **iterating** the **polynomial division** algorithm

Two results from algebraic-geometry techniques

The reducibility criterion

- If a cut $D_{i_1} = \dots = D_{i_k} = 0$ has no solutions, the associated residue vanishes. In other words, **any** numerator is completely reducible.
- This generally happens with overdetermined systems i.e. when the number of cut denominators is higher than the one of loop variables.

The maximum-cut theorem

- We define **maximum-cut**, a cut where the number of cut denominators is equal to the one of the loop variables.
- In non-special kinematic configurations, the residue at the maximum-cut is a polynomial parametrized by n_s coefficients, which admits a univariate representation of degree $(n_s - 1)$.
- The **fit-on-the-cut approach** therefore gives a number of equations which is equal to the number of unknown coefficients.

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One-loop decomposition from polynomial division

P. Mastrolia, E. Mirabella, G. Ossola, T.P. (2012)

- Start from the most general one-loop amplitude in $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$
 - Apply the recursive formula for the integrand decomposition
 - ⇒ it reproduces the OPP result
[Ossola, Papadopoulos, Pittau (2007); Ellis, Giele, Kunstz, Melnikov (2008)]
 - Drop the spurious terms
- ⇒ Get the most general integral decomposition (well known result)

The diagrammatic equation shows the decomposition of a one-loop amplitude with a dashed line (represented by a circle with seven external lines, one dashed) into several Feynman diagrams:

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 &= c_{4,0} \text{ (square)} + c_{3,0} \text{ (triangle)} + c_{2,0} \text{ (circle)} + c_{1,0} \text{ (circle)} \\
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The integrand reduction via **Laurent expansion**:

- **fits residues** by taking their **asymptotic expansions** on the **cuts**
- yields **diagonal systems of equations** for the coefficients
- requires the computation of **fewer coefficients**
 - pentagons are spurious and do not need to be computed
 - spurious terms of boxes and tadpoles do not need to be computed
- subtractions of higher point residues is simplified
 - 4-point (and 5-point) residues are not subtracted
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- ★ Implemented in the semi-numerical C++ library **NINJA**
 - Laurent expansions via a simplified polynomial-division algorithm
 - interfaced with the package GOSAM
 - is a faster and more stable integrand-reduction algorithm

Example: the coefficients of the bubbles

- The residue of a bubble (4-dim for brevity)

$$\Delta_{ij}(q) = b_0 + b_1 (q \cdot e_2) + b_2 (q \cdot e_2)^2 + b_3 (q \cdot e_3) + b_4 (q \cdot e_3)^2 + b_5 (q \cdot e_4) \\ + b_6 (q \cdot e_4)^2 + b_7 (q \cdot e_2)(q \cdot e_3) + b_8 (q \cdot e_2)(q \cdot e_4)$$

- solutions of a double cut $D_i = D_j = 0$, parametrized by the free variables t and x

$$q_+ = x e_1 + (\alpha_0 + x \alpha_1) e_2 + t e_3 + \frac{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2}{t} e_4 \\ q_- = x e_1 + (\alpha_0 + x \alpha_1) e_2 + \frac{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2}{t} e_3 + t e_4$$

- in the limit $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\left. \frac{\mathcal{N}(q_{\pm})}{\prod_{m \neq i,j} D_m} \right|_{\text{cut}} = \Delta_{ij} + \sum_k \frac{\Delta_{ijk}}{D_k} + \sum_{kl} \frac{\Delta_{ijkl}}{D_k D_l} + \sum_{klm} \frac{\Delta_{ijklm}}{D_k D_l D_m} \\ = \Delta_{ij} + \sum_k \frac{\Delta_{ijk}}{D_k} + \mathcal{O}(1/t)$$

NOTE: Higher point residues are computed in previous steps of the reduction

The coefficients of the bubbles

- In the asymptotic limit $t \rightarrow \infty$

- the integrand

$$\left. \frac{\mathcal{N}(q_{\pm})}{\prod_{m \neq i,j,k} D_m} \right|_{\text{cut}} = n_0^{\pm} + n_1^{\pm} x + n_2^{\pm} x^2 + (n_3^{\pm} + n_4^{\pm} x) t + n_5^{\pm} t^2 + \mathcal{O}(1/t)$$

- the subtraction term

$$\frac{\Delta_{ijk}(q_{\pm})}{D_k} = \tilde{b}_0^{k,\pm} + \tilde{b}_1^{k,\pm} x + \tilde{b}_2^{k,\pm} x^2 + (\tilde{b}_3^{k,\pm} + \tilde{b}_4^{k,\pm} x) t + \tilde{b}_5^{k,\pm} t^2 + \mathcal{O}(1/t)$$

- $\tilde{b}_i^{k,\pm}$ are **known functions** of the triangle coefficients

- the residue

$$\Delta_{ij}(q_+) = b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 - (b_5 + b_8 x) t + b_6 t^2 + \mathcal{O}(1/t)$$

$$\Delta_{ij}(q_-) = b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 - (b_3 + b_7 x) t + b_4 t^2 + \mathcal{O}(1/t)$$

- by comparison, applying subtractions at the **coefficient level**

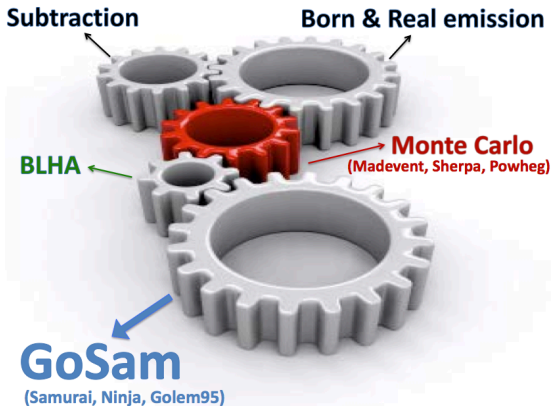
$$b_0 = n_0^{\pm} - \sum_k \tilde{b}_0^{k,\pm}, \quad b_1 = n_1^{\pm} - \sum_k \tilde{b}_1^{k,\pm}, \quad b_3 = -n_3^- + \sum_k \tilde{b}_3^{k,-}, \quad \dots$$

Integrand Reduction with NINJA

Benchmarks: GOSAM + NINJA				
sub-process		# diagrams	# hel. (gen./tot.)	ms/event
$W + 3j$	$d\bar{u} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e e^- ggg$	1 411	1/8	226
$t\bar{t}H$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$	31	8/8	2
	$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$	136	4/16	40
$t\bar{t}H + 1j$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}Hg$	320	8/16	93
	$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}Hg$	1 575	4/32	2 070
$H + 2j$ in GF (higher rank)	$d\bar{d} \rightarrow Hu\bar{u}$	32	4/4	1
	$d\bar{d} \rightarrow Hdd$	60	3/6	4
	$d\bar{d} \rightarrow Hgg$	179	2/8	17
	$gg \rightarrow Hgg$	651	1/16	166
$H + 3j$ in GF (higher rank)	$d\bar{d} \rightarrow Hgu\bar{u}$	467	4/7	68
	$d\bar{d} \rightarrow Hgdd$	868	3/12	157
	$d\bar{d} \rightarrow Hggg$	2 519	2/16	999
	$gg \rightarrow Hggg$	9 325	1/32	11 266

NOTE: Timings refer to full color- and helicity-summed amplitudes

From amplitudes to observables with GoSAM



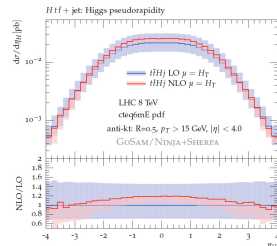
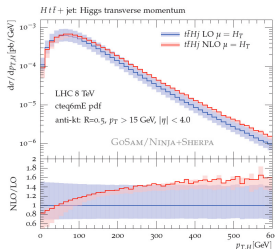
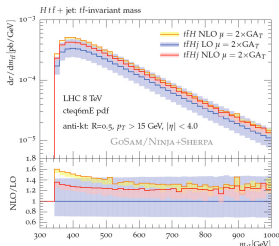
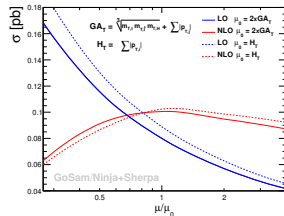
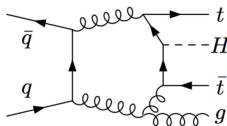
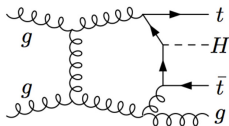
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Application: $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H + jet$ with GoSAM + NINJA

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- Interfaced with the Monte Carlo SHERPA



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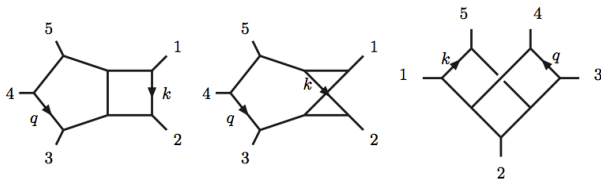
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- ... we are moving the first steps in this direction

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM and $\mathcal{N} = 8$ SUGRA amplitudes

P. Mastrolia, G. Ossola (2011); P. Mastrolia, E. Mirabella, G. Ossola, T.P. (2012)



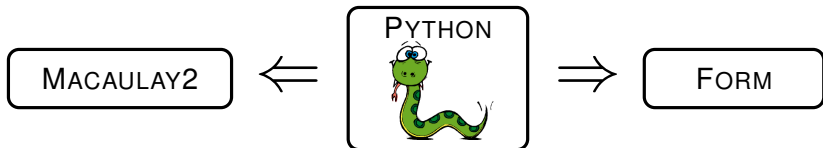
- Examples in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM and $\mathcal{N} = 8$ SUGRA amplitudes ($d = 4$)
 - generation of the integrand
 - graph based [Carrasco, Johansson (2011)]
 - unitarity based [U. Schubert (Diplomarbeit)]
 - **fit-on-the-cut** approach for the reduction
- Results:
 - $\mathcal{N} = 4$ linear combination of 8 and 7-denominators MIs
 - $\mathcal{N} = 8$ linear combination of 8, 7 and 6-denominators MIs

Divide-and-Conquer approach

P. Mastrolia, E. Mirabella, G. Ossola, T.P. (2013)

The **divide-and-conquer** approach to the integrand reduction

- does **not** require the knowledge of the **solutions of the cut**
- can **always** be used to perform the reduction in a finite number of **purely algebraic operations**
- has been automated in a PYTHON package which uses MACAULAY2 and FORM for algebraic operations



- also works in special cases where the fit-on-the-cut approach is not applicable (e.g. in presence of **double denominators**)

Divide-and-Conquer approach: an explicit example

- A 5-denominator integrand

$$\mathcal{I}_{12345} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{N}_{12345}}{D_1 D_2 D_3 D_4 D_5}, \quad D_1, \dots, D_5 \text{ not necessarily distinct!}$$

- After division of \mathcal{N}_{12345} modulo $\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{J}_{12345}}$ (quotient and remainder)

$$\mathcal{N}_{12345} = \mathcal{N}_{2345} D_1 + \mathcal{N}_{1345} D_2 + \mathcal{N}_{1245} D_3 + \mathcal{N}_{1235} D_4 + \mathcal{N}_{1234} D_5 + \Delta_{12345}$$

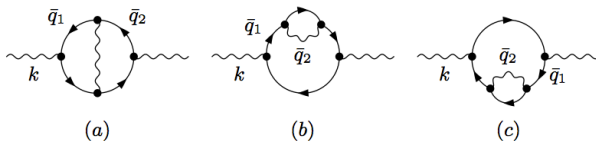
- After division of $\mathcal{N}_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4}$ modulo $\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{J}_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4}}$ (quotients and remainders)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}_{12345} = & \mathcal{N}_{345} D_1 D_2 + \mathcal{N}_{245} D_1 D_3 + \mathcal{N}_{235} D_1 D_4 + \mathcal{N}_{234} D_1 D_5 \\ & + \mathcal{N}_{145} D_2 D_3 + \mathcal{N}_{135} D_2 D_4 + \mathcal{N}_{134} D_2 D_5 \\ & + \mathcal{N}_{125} D_3 D_4 + \mathcal{N}_{124} D_3 D_5 + \mathcal{N}_{123} D_4 D_5 \\ & + \Delta_{2345} D_1 + \Delta_{1345} D_2 + \Delta_{1245} D_3 + \Delta_{1235} D_4 + \Delta_{1234} D_5 \\ & + \Delta_{12345} \end{aligned}$$

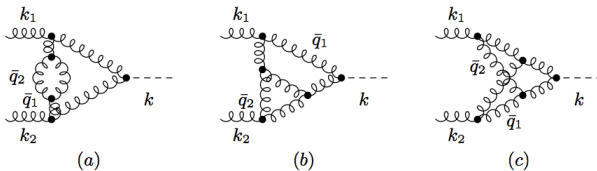
- ... and so forth

Examples of divide-and-conquer approach

- Photon self-energy in massive QED, $(4 - 2\epsilon)$ -dimensions



- Diagrams entering $gg \rightarrow H$, in $(4 - 2\epsilon)$ -dimensions



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Conclusions

- We developed a general framework for the **reduction at the integrand level**
 - can be applied to **any** amplitude in **any** QFT
 - is valid at every loop order
- At **one-loop**
 - naturally reproduces the OPP result
 - allows to express any amplitude in terms of **known MIs**
 - leads to well established and successful techniques
 - can be improved with the Laurent-expansion approach (**NINJA**)
- At **higher loops**
 - it gives a **recursive formula** for the **integrand decomposition**
 - generates the form of the **residue** for every **cut**
- The **divide-and-conquer** approach
 - can be used to implement the whole reduction of **any integrand** with purely **algebraic operations**
 - has been automated in a **PYTHON** package

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR ATTENTION

BACKUP SLIDES

One-loop decomposition from polynomial division

At one loop in $4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions:

- **5 coordinates** $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4, z_5)$
 - 4 components (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4) of q w.r.t. a 4-dimensional basis
 - $z_5 = \mu^2$ encodes the $(4 - 2\epsilon)$ -dependence on the loop momentum
- we start with

$$\mathcal{I}_n \equiv \mathcal{I}_{1\dots n} = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{1\dots n}(\mathbf{z})}{D_1(\mathbf{z}) \dots D_n(\mathbf{z})}$$

- if $m > 5$ **any** integrand $\mathcal{I}_{i_1\dots i_m}$ is reducible (**reducibility criterion**)

$$\mathcal{I}_{i_1\dots i_m} = \sum_k \mathcal{I}_{i_1\dots i_{k-1}i_{k+1}\dots i_m}, \quad \text{for } m \geq 5$$

- for $m \leq 5$ the **polynomial-division algorithm** applied to a **generic integrand**, gives a non-trivial **remainder** $\Delta_{ijk\dots}$
 - one finds the already-known **parametric form** of the **residues** $\Delta_{ijk\dots}$

One-loop boxes via Laurent expansion

- The residue of a box reads

$$\Delta_{ijkl}(q, \mu^2) = d_0 + d_2 \mu^2 + d_4 \mu^4 + (d_1 + d_3 \mu^2)(q \cdot v_\perp)$$

- d_0 via 4-dimensional 4ple cuts [Britto, Cachazo, Feng (2004)]
- d_4 from d -dimensional 4-ple cuts in the limit $\mu^2 \rightarrow \infty$ [S. Badger (2008)]
 - d -dimensional solutions of a 4-ple cut

$$q_\pm = a^\mu \pm \sqrt{\alpha + \frac{\mu^2}{\beta^2}} v_\perp^\mu = \pm \frac{\sqrt{\mu^2}}{\beta} v_\perp^\mu + \mathcal{O}(1)$$

- the integrand in the asymptotic limit $\mu^2 \rightarrow \infty$ of the cut-solutions

$$\left. \frac{\mathcal{N}(q^i, \mu^2)}{\prod_{m \neq i,j,k,l} D_m} \right|_{\text{cut}} = d_4 \mu^4 + \mathcal{O}(\mu^3)$$

- d_1, d_2, d_3 are spurious and do not need to be computed

One-loop triangles via Laurent expansion

- The residue of a triangle

$$\Delta_{ijk}(q) = c_0 + c_7 \mu^2 + (c_1 + c_8 \mu^2) (q \cdot e_3) + c_2 (q \cdot e_3)^2 + c_3 (q \cdot e_3)^3 \\ + (c_4 + c_9 \mu^2) (q \cdot e_4) + c_5 (q \cdot e_4)^2 + c_6 (q \cdot e_4)^3$$

- solutions of a triple cut parametrized by the variables t and μ^2

$$q_+^\mu = a^\mu + t e_3^\mu + \frac{\alpha + \mu^2}{2t} e_4^\mu, \quad q_-^\mu = a^\mu + \frac{\alpha + \mu^2}{2t} e_3^\mu + t e_4^\mu$$

- in the limit $t \rightarrow \infty$

[Forde (2007)]

$$\frac{\mathcal{N}(q_\pm)}{\prod_{m \neq i,j,k} D_m} \Big|_{\text{cut}} = \Delta_{ijk} + \sum_l \frac{\Delta_{ijkl}}{D_l} + \sum_{lm} \frac{\Delta_{ijklm}}{D_l D_m} \\ = \Delta_{ijk} + d_1^\pm + d_2^\pm \mu^2 + \mathcal{O}(1/t)$$

with $d_i^+ + d_i^- = 0$

One-loop triangles via Laurent expansion

- In the asymptotic limit $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\left. \frac{\mathcal{N}(q_{\pm})}{\prod_{m \neq i,j,k} D_m} \right|_{\text{cut}} = d_1^{\pm} + d_2^{\pm} \mu^2 + \Delta_{ijk} + \mathcal{O}(1/t) \quad \text{with } d_i^+ + d_i^- = 0$$

- the integrand

$$\left. \frac{\mathcal{N}(q_{\pm})}{\prod_{m \neq i,j,k} D_m} \right|_{\text{cut}} = n_0^{\pm} + n_4^{\pm} \mu^2 + (n_1^{\pm} + n_5^{\pm} \mu^2) t + n_2^{\pm} t^2 + n_3^{\pm} t^3 + \mathcal{O}(1/t)$$

- the residue

$$\Delta_{ijk}(q_+) = c_0 + c_7 \mu^2 - (c_4 + c_9 \mu^2) t + c_5 t^2 - c_6 t^3 + \mathcal{O}(1/t)$$

$$\Delta_{ijk}(q_-) = c_0 + c_7 \mu^2 - (c_1 + c_8 \mu^2) t + c_2 t^2 - c_3 t^3 + \mathcal{O}(1/t)$$

- by comparison we get

$$c_0 = \frac{n_0^+ + n_0^-}{2}, \quad c_1 = -n_1^-, \quad c_2 = n_2^-, \quad c_3 = -n_3^-, \quad \dots$$