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Four-loop form factors in QCD

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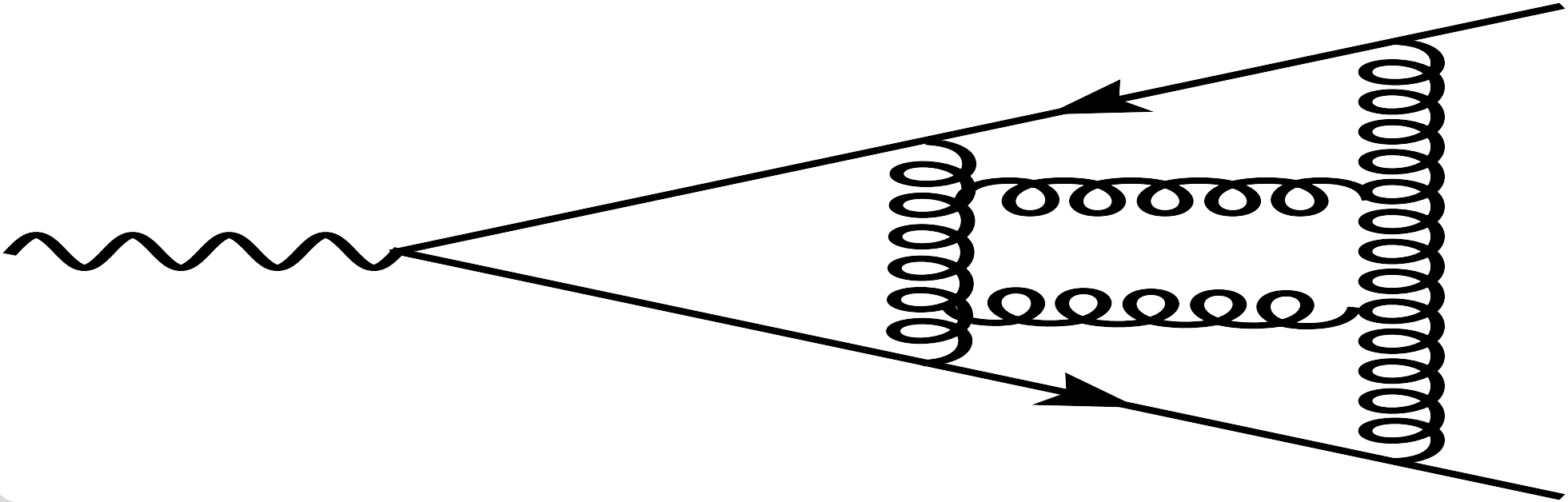

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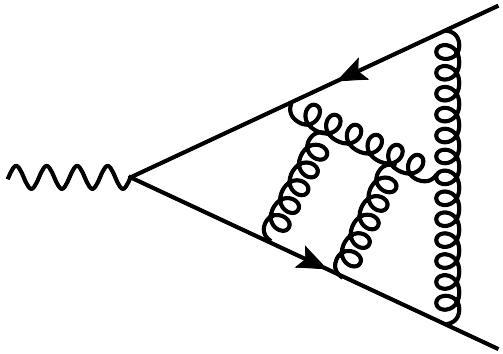

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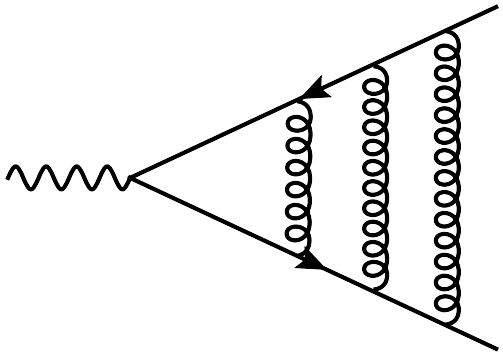

IV. Conclusions

R. N. Lee, A. V. Smirnov, V. A. Smirnov, MS:
"The n_f^2 contributions to fermionic four-loop form factors"

J. Henn, R. Lee, A. Smirnov, V. Smirnov, MS:
"Four-loop photon quark form factor and cusp anomalous dimension in the large-N_c limit of QCD"

J. Henn, A. Smirnov, V. Smirnov, MS:
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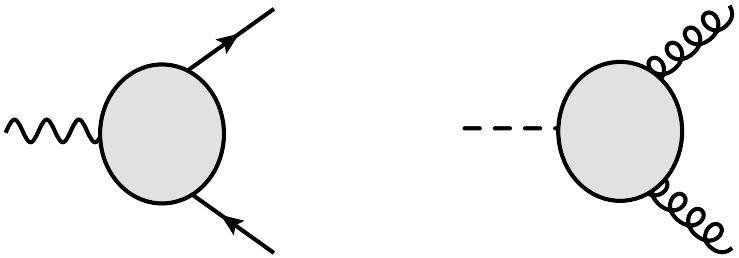
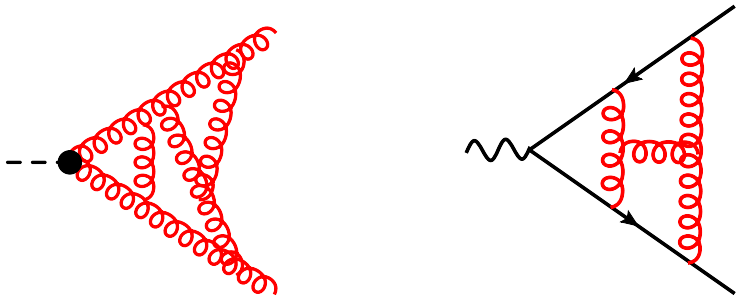
Quark and gluon form factor

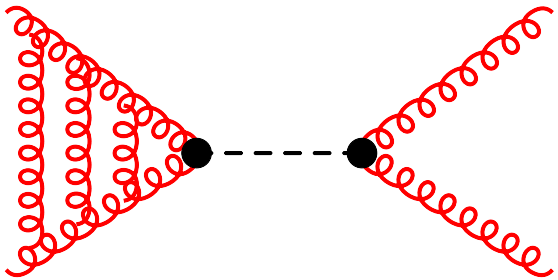
- 
- building block for
  Higgs production, Drell-Yan, heavy quark production,
  forward-backward asymmetry, . . .



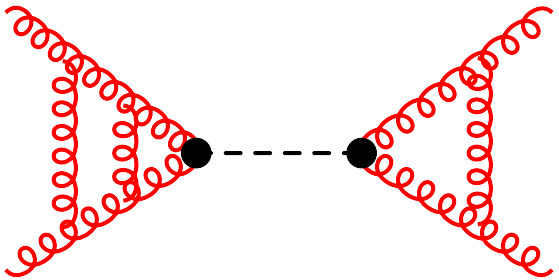
- IR poles $\leftrightarrow$ real radiation
- simplest objects in QCD with non-trivial IR poles
- wanted: all-order formulae for IR structure of gauge theories

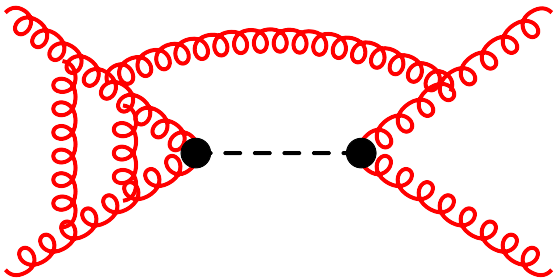
  [Catani'98; . . . ; Becher,Neubert'09; Gardi,Magnea'09]

Example: Higgs production at the LHC

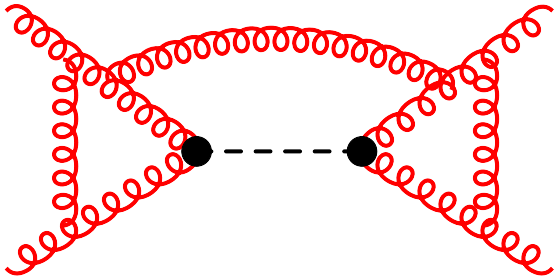


[Baikov,Chetyrkin,Smirnov,Smirnov, Steinhauser'09], [Gehrmann,Glover,Huber,Ikizlerli, Studerus'10]; [Lee,Smirnov'10]

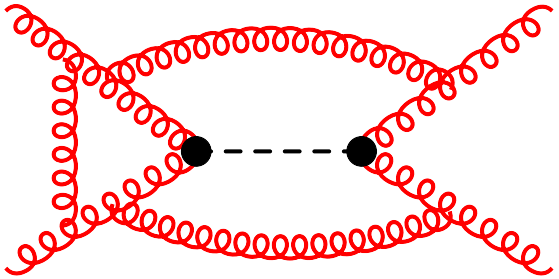




[Duhr,Gehrmann'13], [Li,Zhu'13], [Dulat,Mistlberger'14], [Duhr,Gehrmann,Jaquier'14]



[Anastasiou,Duhr,Dulat,Herzog, Mistlberger'13], [Kilgore'13]



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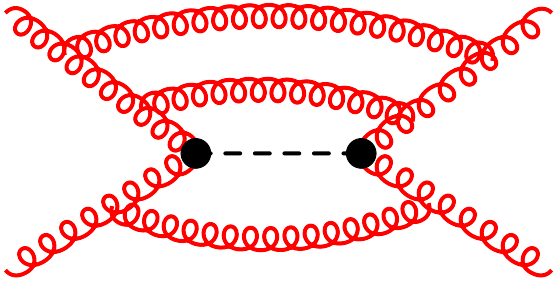

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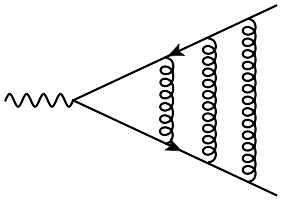
N^3LO: [Anastasiou,Duhr,Dulat,Herzog,Mistlberger'15] (expansion around soft limit)

IR structure of massive form factor

- F: UV-renormalized massive form factor



- $F = Z\,F^{\text{finite}}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
Z \;=\;& 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\left(-\frac{1}{2\epsilon}\Gamma^{(1)}_{\text{cusp}}\right) \\
&+ \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2\left(\frac{\#}{\epsilon^2} - \frac{1}{4\epsilon}\Gamma^{(2)}_{\text{cusp}}\right) \\
&+ \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^3\left(\frac{\#}{\epsilon^3} + \frac{\#}{\epsilon^2} - \frac{1}{6\epsilon}\Gamma^{(3)}_{\text{cusp}}\right) + \ldots
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- $\Gamma_{\text{cusp}} = \Gamma_{\text{cusp}}(\alpha_s, x)$ $\qquad q^2/m^2 = -(1-x)^2/x$

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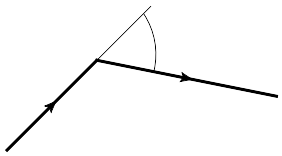
[Falk,Georgi,Grinstein,Wise'90]



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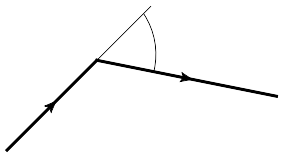

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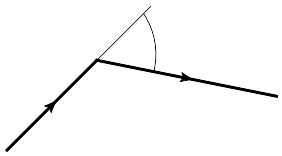

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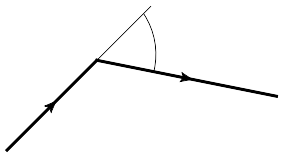

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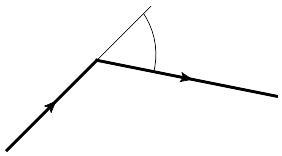

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high-energy limit:
$\Gamma_{\rm cusp} \to C_F \gamma_{\rm cusp} \log(x) + \ldots$
$q^2/m^2 = -(1-x)^2/x$

➪ massless FF: $\gamma_{\rm cusp}$ from $1/\epsilon^2$ pole

[$\gamma_{\rm cusp}$: light-like cusp anom. dim.]

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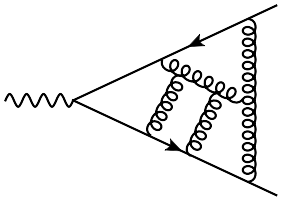

- $\log(F_q)|_{\text{pole part}} =$

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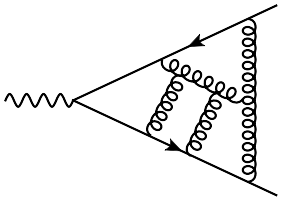

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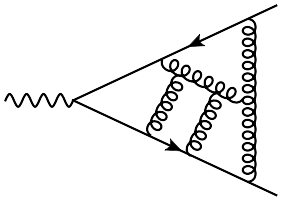
$$\frac{d}{d\log\mu^2}K=-\frac{d}{d\log\mu^2}G=-C_F\gamma_{\text{cusp}}$$

➪ predict poles of h.o. terms

[Mitov,Moch'01; Gluza,Mitov,Moch,Riemann'09; Ahmed,Henn,Steinhauser'17]

$\gamma_{\rm cusp}$



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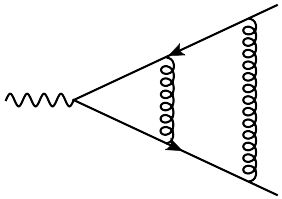
- interesting question: Casimir scaling $\gamma_{\rm cusp,q}=\frac{C_F}{C_A}\gamma_{\rm cusp,g}$ at 4 loops ?
  Answer: No! [Moch,Ruijl,Ueda,Vermaseren,Vogt'17]
- 4-loop $\gamma_{\rm cusp,g}$ enters N^{3}LL resummations in Higgs production
  (see, e.g., [Bonvini,Marzani '14],...)

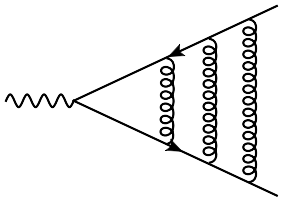
Known results

- massless form factor



[Kramer,Lampe'87; Matsuura,van der Marck,van Neerven'88;

Harlander'00; Ravindran,Smith,van Neerven'05; Gehrmann,Huber,Maitre'05]



pole part: [Moch,Vermaseren,Vogt'05]

fermionic part: [Moch,Vermaseren,Vogt'05]

full: [Baikov,Chetyrkin,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'09]
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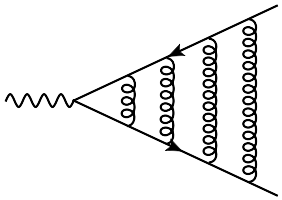

all n_f terms, large-N_c: [Henn,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'16]

n_f^3 terms Higgs-gluon and photon-quark FF: [von Manteuffel,Schabinger'16]

full large-N_c: [Henn,Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'16]

complete n_f^2 terms: [Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'17]

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM [Boels,Kniehl,Tarasov,Yang'12'16] numerical methods for MIs

- γ_{cusp}

[Boels,Huber,Yang]: $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM, numerically

[Moch,Ruijl,Ueda,Vermaseren,Vogt'17] analytic and numerical results

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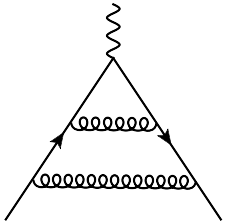
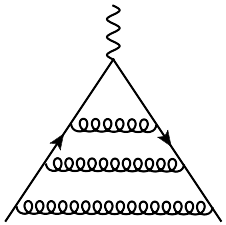


[Bernreuther,Bonciani,Gehrmann,Heinesch,Leineweber,Mastrolia,Remiddi'04'05]

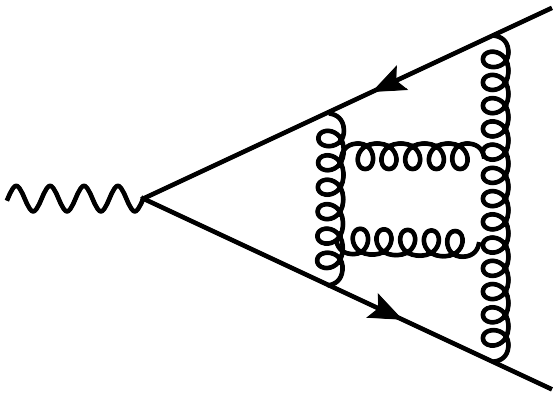
$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ [Gluza,Mitov,Moch,Riemann'09]



large-N_c: [Henn,Smrinov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'16]

- $\Gamma_{\rm cusp}$ known to 3 loops [Korchemsky,Radyushkin'87], [Grozin,Henn,Korchemsky,Marquard'14'15]
  1 colour structure at 4 loops ($n_l(d_F^{abcd})^2$) for $\theta \to 0$: [Grozin,Henn,Stahlhofen'17]

II. Massless form factor



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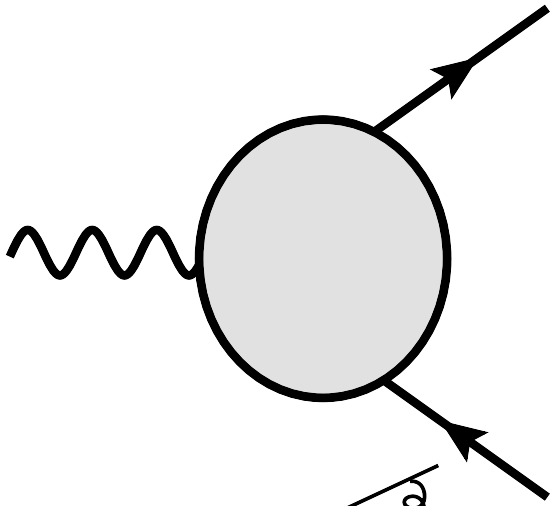

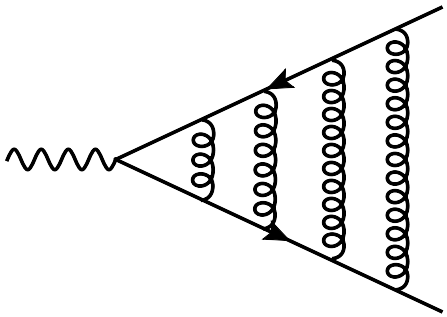

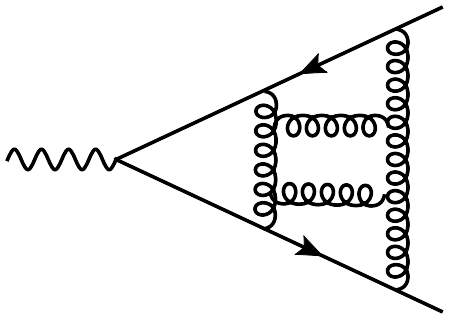

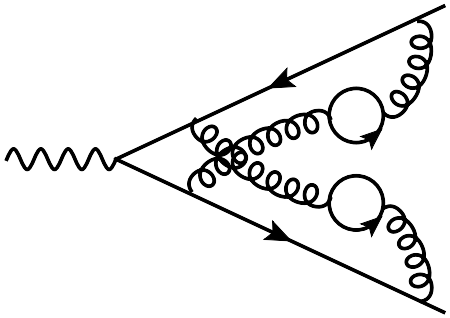

- All planar diagrams ➪ large-N_c

[Henn,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'16; Henn,Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'16]

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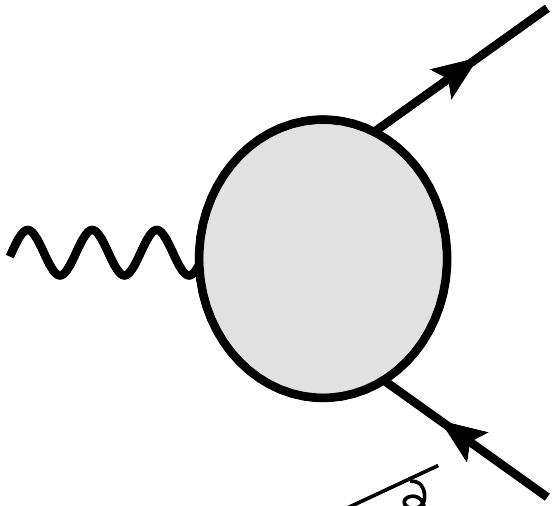
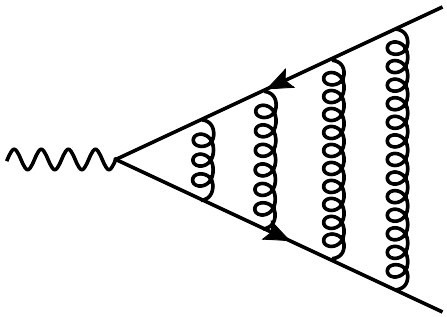
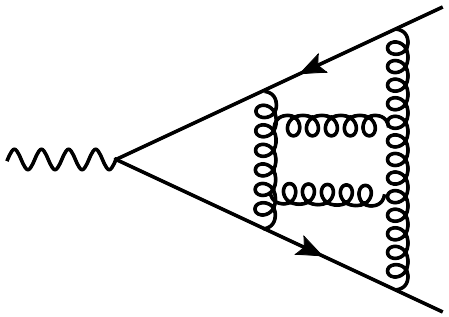
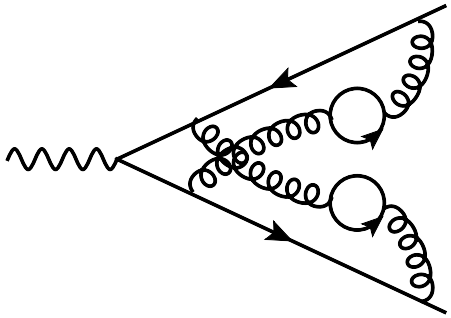








- All planar diagrams ➪ large-N_c

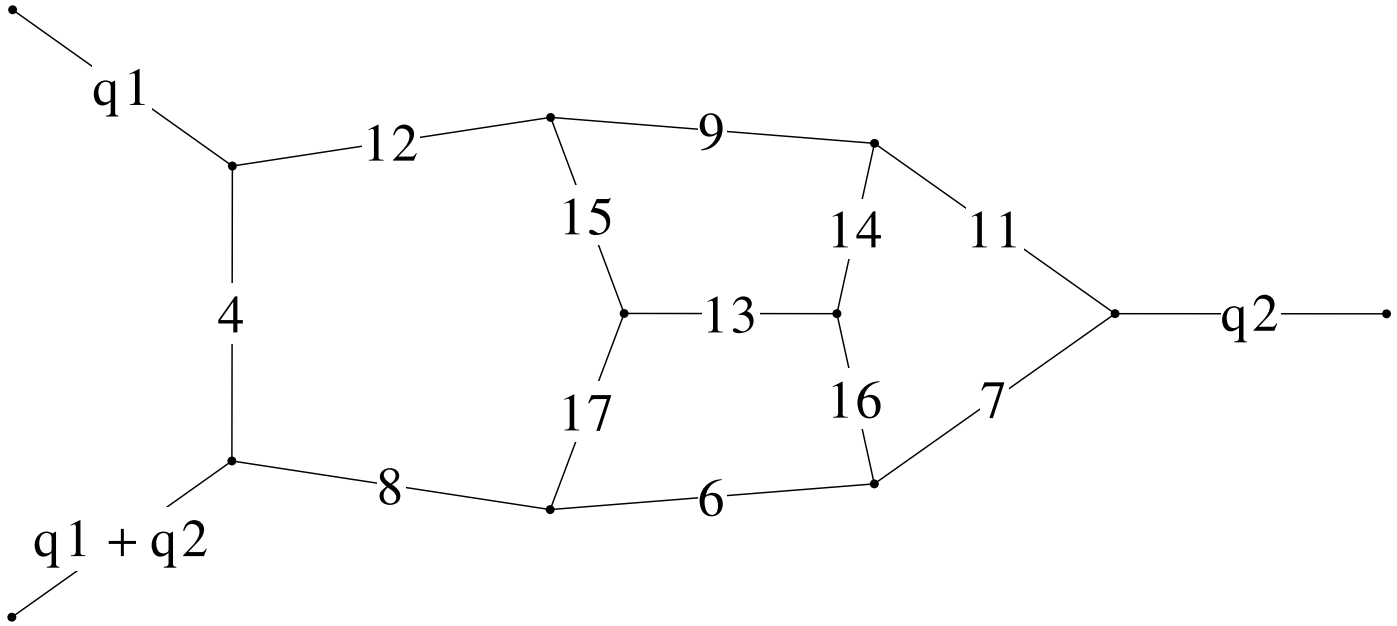
[Henn,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'16; Henn,Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'16]

- All n_f^2 terms (planar and non-planar) [Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'17]

1. Reduction to master integrals
2. Compute master integrals

Planar: reduction to master integrals

- FIRE [Smirnov] $\oplus$ LiteRed [Lee]
- 68 planar integral families


q1
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q1 + q2

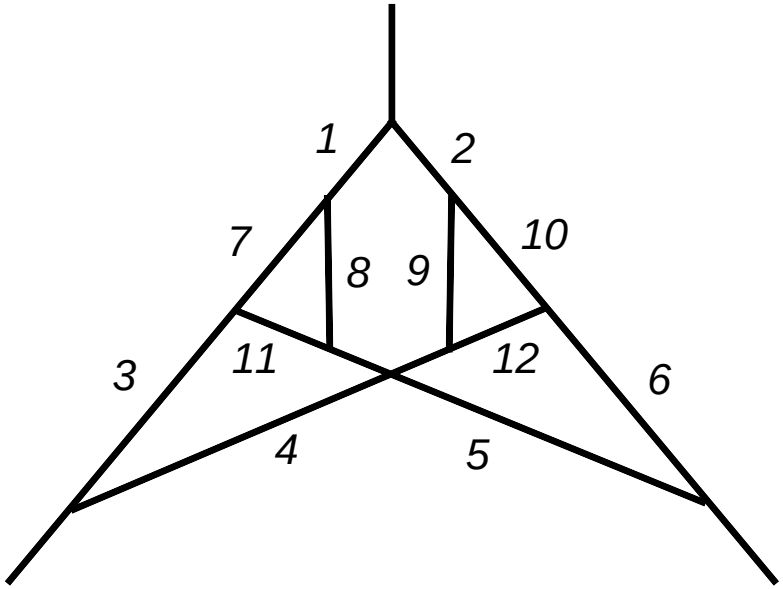
Planar: reduction to master integrals

- FIRE [Smirnov] $\oplus$ LiteRed [Lee]
- 68 $\xrightarrow{\text{sym. in ext. momenta}}$ 38 integral families
- $\mathcal{O}(1\,000\,000)$ integrals for $\xi = 0$ (Feynman gauge)
- $\mathcal{O}(3\,000\,000)$ integrals ξ^1 terms (fermionic part only)
- reduction time: $\mathcal{O}$(months)
- tsort [Pak,Smirnov] ➪ $\boxed{\text{99 MIs}}$

n_f^2: reduction to master integrals

[Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov,Steinhauser'17]

- FIRE [Smirnov] $\oplus$ LiteRed [Lee]
- 2 non-planar integral families



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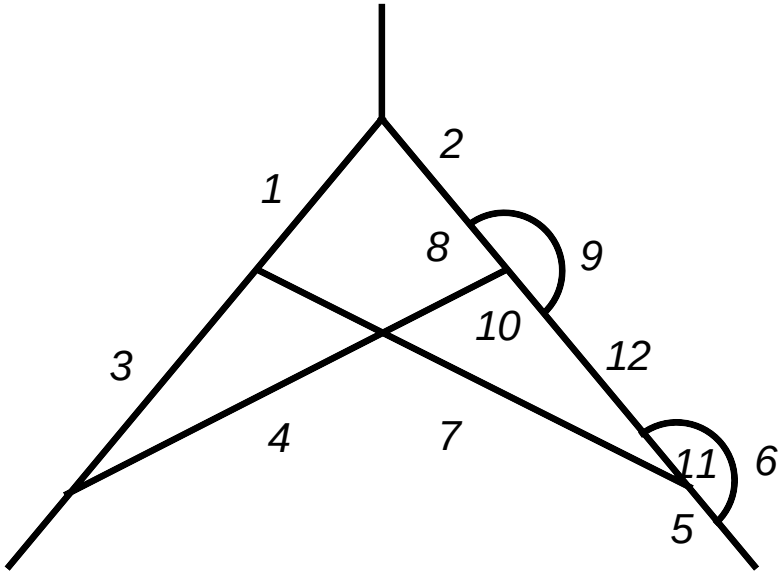

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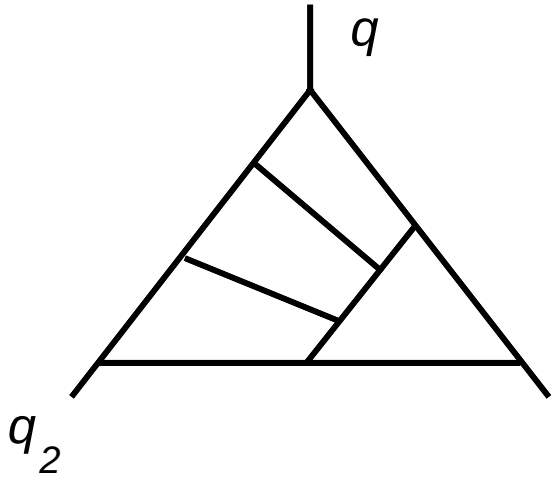
- 26 + 40 MIs ➪ 24 non-planar MIs

Computation of MIs



needed:

$$q_2^2 = (q_2 + q)^2 = 0$$

$$q^2 \neq 0$$

idea 1:

- $q_2^2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{q_2^2}{q^2}$ [Henn,Smirnov,Smirnov'14]

  consider system of differential equations in x
- boundary conditions for $x = 1 \Rightarrow$ integrals "simple"
- get result for $x = 0$

idea 2: use canonical basis where differential equations have the form

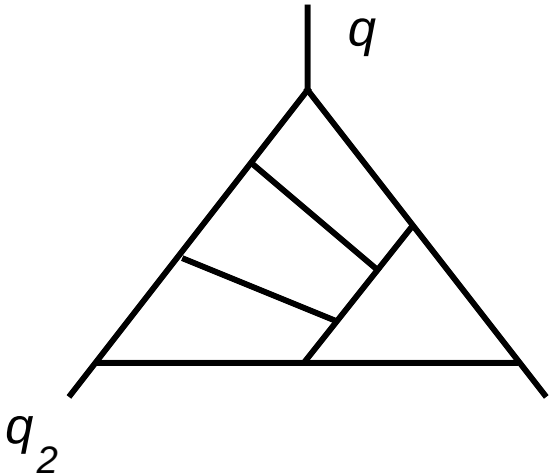
$$g'(x, \epsilon) = \epsilon\, A(x) \cdot g(x, \epsilon)$$ [Henn'13; Henn'14]

$$A(x) = \frac{a}{x} + \frac{b}{x-1}$$ [Lee'14] [Gituliar,Magerya'16; Meyer'16; Prausa'17]

solution: iterated integrals $\Rightarrow$ harmonic polylogarithms (HPLs)

[Remiddi,Vermaseren'99][Maitre'05]

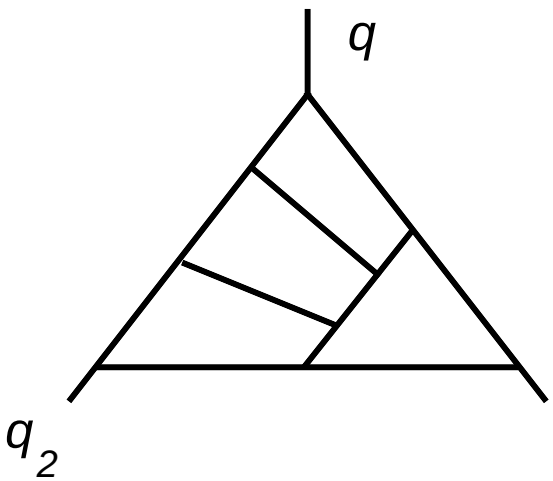
Computation of MIs: more details



➪ 76 MIs

$q_2^2 \neq 0$ ➪ 332 MIs

Computation of MIs: more details



primary basis

➪ 76 MIs

$q_2^2 \neq 0$ ➪ 332 MIs

canonical basis

$$f(x,\epsilon) \xrightarrow{f = T \cdot g \text{ [Lee'14]}} \boxed{\begin{aligned} g(x,\epsilon) &= \textstyle\sum_{k=0}^{8} g_k(x)\epsilon^k \\ g'(x,\epsilon) &= \epsilon\, A(x) \cdot g(x,\epsilon) \\ A(x) &= \tfrac{a}{x} + \tfrac{b}{x-1} \end{aligned}}$$

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solve in terms of HPLs

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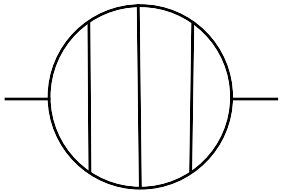
boundary conditions for $x = 1$:



4-loop

2-point functions

[Baikov,Chetyrkin,Kühn'05'08;...; Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov'11]

Computation of MIs: more details

primary basis | canonical basis

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$\downarrow$

solve in terms of HPLs
boundary conditions for $x = 1$:

$\downarrow$

get $x = 0$ result ("naive"):

1. $g_{x\to 0} = x^{\epsilon a} h(\epsilon)$ a: 332×332 matrix

➪ $x^{\epsilon a}$ is 332×332 matrix; each element is linear combination of $x^{k\epsilon}$ terms with $k \leq 0$

Computation of MIs: more details

primary basis

canonical basis

$$f(x,\epsilon) \xrightarrow{f=T\cdot g \text{ [Lee'14]}} g(x,\epsilon)$$

$\downarrow$

solve in terms of HPLs
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1. $g_{x\to 0} = x^{\epsilon a} h(\epsilon)$
2. expand HPLs for $x \to 0$

match 1. and 2.

➪ $h(\epsilon)$

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Computation of MIs: more details

primary basis | canonical basis

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$\xleftarrow{f=T\cdot g}$

$f(0,\epsilon)$

$\downarrow$

332 MIs

$\downarrow$

76 MIs

I_{99}

$$
\begin{aligned}
I_{99} \quad = \quad & e^{4\epsilon\gamma_E}\left(\frac{\mu^2}{-q^2}\right)^{4\epsilon}\left\{\frac{1}{\epsilon^7}\left[-\frac{1}{288}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon^6}\left[\frac{13}{576}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon^5}\left[-\frac{101}{576}-\frac{\pi^2}{48}\right]\right.\\
& +\frac{1}{\epsilon^4}\left[-\frac{17\zeta_3}{54}+\frac{5\pi^2}{36}+\frac{145}{96}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon^3}\left[\frac{1775\zeta_3}{432}-\frac{767\pi^4}{17280}-\frac{5\pi^2}{8}-\frac{1669}{144}\right]\\
& +\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}\left[-\frac{83}{72}\pi^2\zeta_3-\frac{21899\zeta_3}{864}-\frac{3659\zeta_5}{360}+\frac{31333\pi^4}{103680}+\frac{659\pi^2}{288}+\frac{11243}{144}\right]\\
& +\frac{1}{\epsilon}\left[-\frac{40231\zeta_3^2}{1296}+\frac{745\pi^2\zeta_3}{288}+\frac{18751\zeta_3}{144}+\frac{50191\zeta_5}{360}-\frac{277703\pi^6}{2177280}-\frac{14015\pi^4}{10368}\right.\\
& \left.-\frac{149\pi^2}{24}-\frac{22757}{48}\right]\\
& +\left[\frac{39173\zeta_3^2}{324}-\frac{77399\pi^4\zeta_3}{25920}+\frac{4013\pi^2\zeta_3}{432}-\frac{259559\zeta_3}{432}-\frac{568\pi^2\zeta_5}{45}-\frac{1123223\zeta_5}{1440}\right.\\
& \left.-\frac{2778103\zeta_7}{4032}+\frac{3129533\pi^6}{4354560}+\frac{28201\pi^4}{5760}+\frac{173\pi^2}{36}+\frac{382375}{144}\right]\\
& +\epsilon\left[\frac{4931 s_{8a}}{30}+\frac{2615}{144}\pi^2\zeta_3^2-\frac{276671\zeta_3^2}{2592}-\frac{2702413\zeta_5\zeta_3}{1080}+\frac{154037\pi^4\zeta_3}{31104}\right.\\
& \left.-\frac{5532\pi^2\zeta_3}{[illegible]}-\frac{[illegible]}{[illegible]}-\frac{205\pi^2\zeta_5}{[illegible]}-\frac{155029\zeta_5}{[illegible]}-\frac{2732549\zeta_7}{[illegible]}-\frac{665217829\pi^8}{[illegible]}\right.
\end{aligned}
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Pole part of $\log(F_q)$

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\begin{aligned}
\log(F_q)|_{\text{pole part}} = \;
&\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\left\{\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}\left[-\frac{1}{2}C_F\gamma^0_{\text{cusp}}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon}\left[\gamma^0_q\right]\right\}\\
&+\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^2\left\{\frac{1}{\epsilon^3}\left[\frac{3}{8}\beta_0 C_F\gamma^0_{\text{cusp}}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}\left[-\frac{1}{2}\beta_0\gamma^0_q-\frac{1}{8}C_F\gamma^1_{\text{cusp}}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon}\left[\frac{\gamma^1_q}{2}\right]\right\}\\
&+\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^3\left\{\frac{1}{\epsilon^4}\left[-\frac{11}{36}\beta_0^2 C_F\gamma^0_{\text{cusp}}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon^3}\left[C_F\left(\frac{2}{9}\beta_1\gamma^0_{\text{cusp}}+\frac{5}{36}\beta_0\gamma^1_{\text{cusp}}\right)+\frac{1}{3}\beta_0^2\gamma^0_q\right]\right.\\
&\left.+\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}\left[-\frac{1}{3}\beta_1\gamma^0_q-\frac{1}{3}\beta_0\gamma^1_q-\frac{1}{18}C_F\gamma^2_{\text{cusp}}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon}\left[\frac{\gamma^2_q}{3}\right]\right\}\\
&+\left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^4\left\{\frac{1}{\epsilon^5}\left[\frac{25}{96}\beta_0^3 C_F\gamma^0_{\text{cusp}}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon^4}\left[C_F\left(-\frac{13}{96}\beta_0^2\gamma^1_{\text{cusp}}-\frac{5}{12}\beta_1\beta_0\gamma^0_{\text{cusp}}\right)-\frac{1}{4}\beta_0^3\gamma^0_q\right]\right.\\
&+\frac{1}{\epsilon^3}\left[C_F\left(\frac{5}{32}\beta_2\gamma^0_{\text{cusp}}+\frac{3}{32}\beta_1\gamma^1_{\text{cusp}}+\frac{7}{96}\beta_0\gamma^2_{\text{cusp}}\right)+\frac{1}{4}\beta_0^2\gamma^1_q+\frac{1}{2}\beta_1\beta_0\gamma^0_q\right]\\
&\left.+\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}\left[-\frac{1}{4}\beta_2\gamma^0_q-\frac{1}{4}\beta_1\gamma^1_q-\frac{1}{4}\beta_0\gamma^2_q-\frac{1}{32}C_F\gamma^3_{\text{cusp}}\right]+\frac{1}{\epsilon}\left[\frac{\gamma^3_q}{4}\right]\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

$\gamma_{\rm cusp}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\gamma^0_{\rm cusp} &= 4\,, \\
\gamma^1_{\rm cusp} &= \left(\frac{268}{9} - \frac{4\pi^2}{3}\right) C_A - \frac{40 n_f}{9}\,, \\
\gamma^2_{\rm cusp} &= C_A^2 \left(\frac{88\zeta_3}{3} + \frac{44\pi^4}{45} - \frac{536\pi^2}{27} + \frac{490}{3}\right) \\
&\quad + n_f \left[C_A \left(-\frac{112\zeta_3}{3} + \frac{80\pi^2}{27} - \frac{836}{27}\right) + C_F \left(32\zeta_3 - \frac{110}{3}\right)\right] - \frac{16 n_f^2}{27}
\end{aligned}
$$

3 loops: [Vogt'00;Berger'02;Moch,Vermaseren,Vogt'04;...]

4 loops: complete n_f^2, rest large-N_c

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma^3_{\rm cusp} \quad = \quad & + \left(\frac{128\pi^2\zeta_3}{9} + 224\zeta_5 - \frac{44\pi^4}{27} - \frac{16252\zeta_3}{27} + \frac{13346\pi^2}{243} - \frac{39883}{81}\right) N_c^2 n_f + \Bigg(- 32\zeta_3^2 \\ & - \frac{176\pi^2\zeta_3}{9} + \frac{20992\zeta_3}{27} - 352\zeta_5 - \frac{292\pi^6}{315} + \frac{902\pi^4}{45} - \frac{44416\pi^2}{243} + \frac{84278}{81}\Bigg) N_c^3 \\ & + n_f^2 \left[C_A \left(\frac{2240\zeta_3}{27} - \frac{56\pi^4}{135} - \frac{304\pi^2}{243} + \frac{923}{81}\right) + C_F \left(-\frac{640\zeta_3}{9} + \frac{16\pi^4}{45} + \frac{2392}{81}\right)\right] \\ & + \left(\frac{64\zeta_3}{27} - \frac{32}{81}\right) n_f^3\end{aligned}$$

4 loops, n_f^3: [Gracey'04; Beneke,Braun'95; von Manteuffel,Schabinger'16]

4 loop, n_f^2: [Ruijl,Ueda,Vermaseren,Davies,Vogt'16; Moch,Ruijl,Ueda,Vermaseren,Vogt'17]

4 loop, numerical: [Moch,Ruijl,Ueda,Vermaseren,Vogt'17]

γ_q

n_f^2 complete, rest large-N_c

$$
\begin{aligned}
\gamma_q^3 = {} & \left(-\frac{680\zeta_3^2}{9} - \frac{1567\pi^6}{20412} + \frac{83\pi^2\zeta_3}{9} + \frac{557\zeta_5}{9} + \frac{3557\pi^4}{19440} - \frac{94807\zeta_3}{972} + \frac{354343\pi^2}{17496}\right. \\
& \left. + \frac{145651}{1728}\right) N_c^3 n_f + \left(\frac{1175\zeta_3^2}{9} + \frac{82\pi^4\zeta_3}{45} - \frac{377\pi^2\zeta_3}{6} + \frac{867397\zeta_3}{972} + 24\pi^2\zeta_5\right. \\
& \left. - 1489\zeta_5 + 705\zeta_7 + \frac{114967\pi^6}{204120} - \frac{59509\pi^4}{9720} - \frac{120659\pi^2}{17496} - \frac{187905439}{839808}\right) N_c^4 \\
& + n_f^2 \left[\left(-\frac{64}{27}\pi^2\zeta_3 - \frac{7436\zeta_3}{243} + \frac{592\zeta_5}{9} - \frac{19\pi^4}{135} - \frac{41579\pi^2}{8748} + \frac{97189}{34992}\right) C_A C_F\right. \\
& \left. + \left(\frac{56\pi^2\zeta_3}{27} + \frac{2116\zeta_3}{81} - \frac{520\zeta_5}{9} + \frac{1004\pi^4}{1215} - \frac{493\pi^2}{81} - \frac{9965}{972}\right) C_F^2\right] \\
& + \left(-\frac{712\zeta_3}{243} - \frac{16\pi^4}{1215} - \frac{4\pi^2}{81} + \frac{18691}{6561}\right) C_F n_f^3
\end{aligned}
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4 loops, n_f^3: [von Manteuffel,Schabinger'16]

$\log(F_q)$

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$$N_c^4 \left(-14 s_{8a} + 10\pi^2\zeta_3^2 - \frac{86647\zeta_3^2}{54} + 766\zeta_5\zeta_3 - \frac{251\pi^4\zeta_3}{6480} - \frac{57271\pi^2\zeta_3}{1296} + \frac{173732459\zeta_3}{23328}\right.$$
$$+ \frac{1517\pi^2\zeta_5}{216} - \frac{881867\zeta_5}{1080} - \frac{36605\zeta_7}{288} + \frac{674057\pi^8}{5443200} - \frac{135851\pi^6}{77760} + \frac{386729\pi^4}{31104}$$
$$\left. - \frac{429317557\pi^2}{839808} - \frac{54900768805}{6718464}\right) + \dots$$

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$$+ n_f^2 \left(\left(-\frac{1714\zeta_3^2}{3} - \frac{218\pi^2\zeta_3}{9}\right.\right.$$
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$$+ \left(\frac{2702\zeta_3^2}{3} + \frac{1820\pi^2\zeta_3}{27} - \frac{859249\zeta_3}{162} + \frac{1580\zeta_5}{3} + \frac{17609\pi^6}{17010} + \frac{1141\pi^4}{1620} + \frac{76673\pi^2}{243}\right.$$
$$\left.\left. - \frac{25891301}{11664}\right) C_F^2\right) + \left(-\frac{410}{243}\pi^2\zeta_3 - \frac{20828\zeta_3}{243} - \frac{2194\zeta_5}{135} + \frac{1661\pi^4}{2430} + \frac{145115\pi^2}{4374}\right.$$
$$\left. + \frac{10739263}{17496}\right) C_F n_f^3$$

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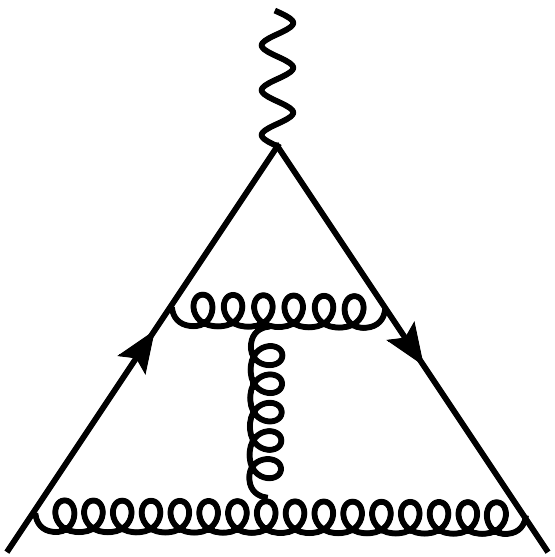
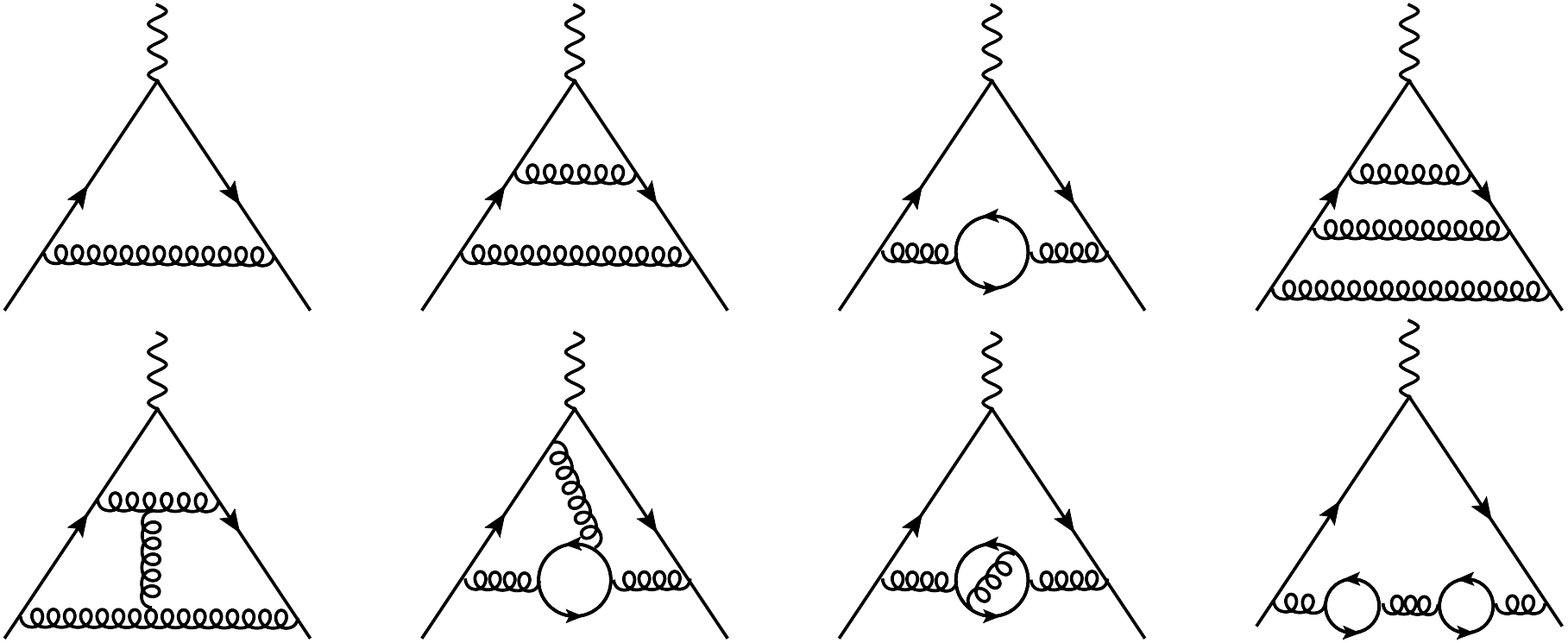


Massive photon quark form factor



$$\Gamma^\mu(q_1, q_2) = F_1(q^2)\gamma^\mu - \frac{i}{2m} F_2(q^2)\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu$$

aim: $F_1(q^2)$ and $F_2(q^2)$ up to 3 loops, large-N_c limit
[1 loop less but massive quarks]

Computation of MIs

[Henn,Smirnov,Smirnov'16]

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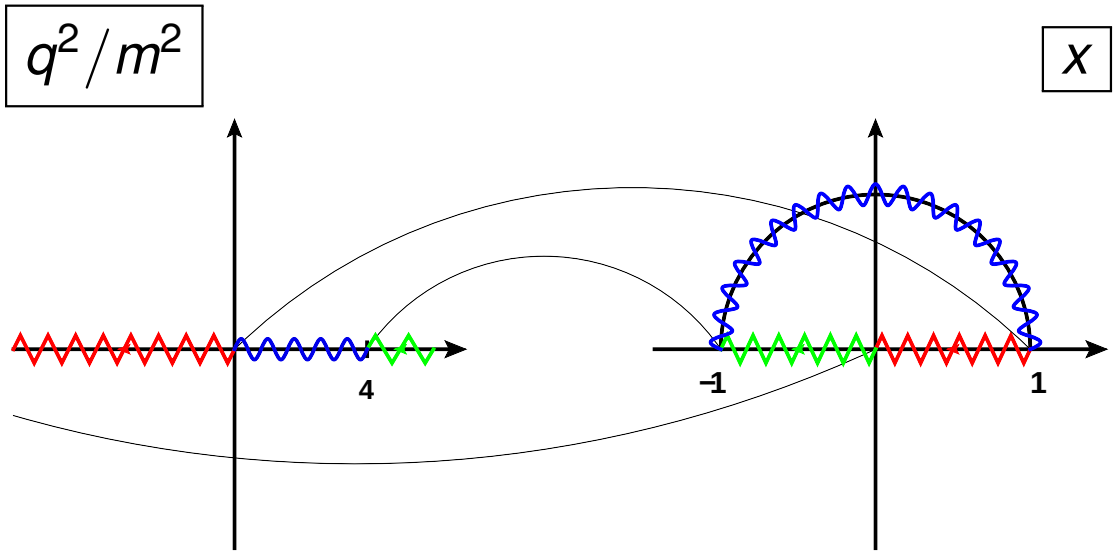

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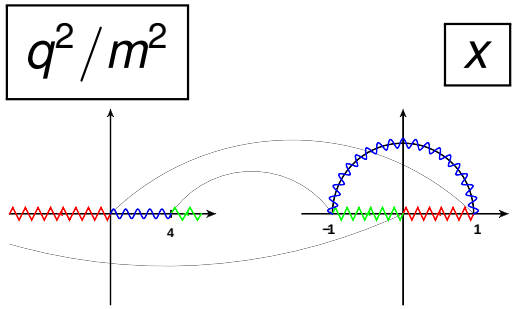

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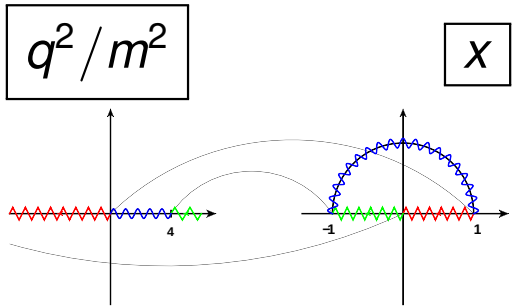

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$r_{1/2} = (1 \pm \sqrt{3}i)/2 = e^{\pm i\pi/3}$ $\qquad$ 6th root of unity

➪ Goncharov polylogarithms

[Goncharov'98]

$$G(\alpha_1,\ldots,\alpha_n;z) \;=\; \int_0^z \frac{\mathrm{d}t}{t-\alpha_1} G(\alpha_2,\ldots,\alpha_n;z)$$

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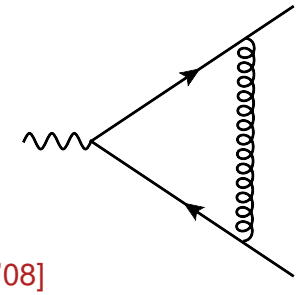

Analytic expansions in kinematical limits:

- $q^2 \to -\infty$, $x \to 0$ ➪ resummations
- $q^2 \to 0$, $x \to 1$ ➪ $(g-2)_{\text{quark}}$ [Grozin,Marquard,Piclum,Steinhauser'08]
- $q^2 \to 4m^2$, $x \to -1$ ➪ threshold cross section

$$x = \frac{2\beta}{1+\beta} - 1$$

$$\beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m^2}{s}}$$

finite! (real rad. has rel. factor β^3)

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \to Q\bar{Q})$$

$$= \sigma_0 \beta \left[|F_1 + F_2|^2 + \frac{|(1-\beta^2)F_1 + F_2|^2}{2(1-\beta^2)} \right]$$

$$= \sigma_0 \frac{3\beta}{2} \left[1 - \frac{\beta^2}{3} + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\Delta^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^2 \Delta^{(2)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^3 \Delta^{(3)} + \ldots \right]$$

$$\Delta^{(1)} = N_c \left[\frac{\pi^2}{\beta} - 8 + \beta \frac{2\pi^2}{3} \right] + \ldots; \; \Delta^{(3)} = \{N_c^3, N_c^2 n_l, N_c n_l^2\} \text{ including } 1/\beta$$

agreement with [Pineda,Signer'07],...,[Kiyo,Maier,Maierhöfer,Marquard'09]

Conclusions

- massless 4-loop photon quark vertex
  - large-N_c limit
  - planar and non-planar n_f^2 (also for Higgs-quark FF)
  - γ_{cusp} and γ_q
- massive 3-loop photon quark vertex in large-N_c limit
- canonical basis for MIs
- 4-loop results for all planar families (99 MIs) and 2 non-planar families (24 non-planar MIs)
- solution in terms of iterated integrals (HPLs, Goncharov polylogarithms)