Evaluating Feynman integrals by uniformly transcendental differential equations

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A lot of applications [J.M. Henn, A.V. Smirnov, V.A. Smirnov, K. Melnikov, F. Caola, R. Bonciani, V. Del Duca, H. Frellesvig, F. Moriello, M. Argeri, S. Di Vita, P. Mastrolia, E. Mirabella, J. Schlenk, U. Schubert, L. Tancredi, T. Gehrmann, A. von Manteuffel, E. Weihs, F. Dulat, B. Mistlberger, R. N. Lee,...]

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where $\partial_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$, and each A_i is an $N \times N$ matrix.

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For example, if $x_k = 0, -1, 1$ then results for elements of such a basis are expressed in terms of HPL.

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- An approach using Magnus and Dyson series expansion [M. Argeri, S. Di Vita, P. Mastrolia, E. Mirabella, J. Schlenk, U. Schubert, L. Tancredi'14]

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Motivation: three-loop amplitudes of N = 8 supergravity and N = 4 super-Yang-Mills theory [Z. Bern, J. J. Carrasco, L. J. Dixon, H. Johansson, D. A. Kosower and R. Roiban'07]₌
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$$F^{D}_{a_{1},...,a_{15}}(s,t;D) = \frac{1}{(i\pi^{D/2})^{3}} \int \int \int \frac{d^{D}k_{1} d^{D}k_{2} d^{D}k_{3}}{(-k_{1}^{2})^{a_{1}}[-(p_{2}-k_{1}+k_{2})^{2}]^{a_{2}}[-k_{2}^{2}]^{a_{3}}} \\ \times \frac{[-(k_{1}-k_{3})^{2}]^{-a_{11}}[-(p_{1}+k_{3})^{2}]^{-a_{12}}[-(p_{1}+k_{2})^{2}]^{-a_{13}}}{[-(p_{1}+p_{2}+k_{2})^{2}]^{a_{4}}[-k_{3}^{2}]^{a_{5}}[-(p_{1}+p_{2}+p_{3}+k_{2}-k_{3})^{2}]^{a_{6}}} \\ \times \frac{[-(p_{3}+k_{1})^{2}]^{-a_{14}}[-(p_{3}+k_{2})^{2}]^{-a_{15}}}{(-(p_{1}+k_{1})^{2})^{a_{7}}(-(k_{1}-k_{2})^{2})^{a_{5}}[-(k_{2}-k_{3})^{2}]^{a_{9}}[-(k_{3}-p_{3})^{2}]^{a_{10}}}$$

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Results expressed in terms of HPL $H_{a_1,a_2,...,a_n}(x), a_i = 1, 0, -1,$ [E. Remiddi and J.A.M. Vermaseren'00]

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In all the cases, initial DE are transformed into

$$\partial_x f(x,\epsilon) = \epsilon \left[\frac{a}{x} + \frac{b}{1+x}\right] f(x,\epsilon).$$

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where *a* and *b* are constant matrices.

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There is no this condition in the non-planar cases because non-planar diagrams have singularities in all the three channels.

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The code asy.m [A. Pak and A. Smirnov'10, B. Jantzen, A.S. and V.S.'12] (which is now included into FIESTA [A.S.'09-15]) \rightarrow expression of contributions of regions [M. Beneke & V. S.'12] in terms of parametric integrals.

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Three last elements of the basis

$$\begin{split} &-\epsilon^6 s(s+t) (2sF_{1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,0}) - sF_{1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,-1}) \\ &-F_{1,1,0,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,0}) + F_{1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,-1,0,-1})) \;, \\ &\epsilon^6 st (3F_{1,1,0,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,0}) - 2F_{1,1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,-1}) \\ &-F_{1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,-1,0,-1})) \;, \\ &\epsilon^6 s (-\frac{3}{2}s^2F_{1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,0}) + \frac{3}{2}s^2F_{1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,-1}) \\ &-\frac{9}{4}sF_{1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,-1}) + \frac{5}{4}sF_{1,1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,-1}) \\ &-2sF_{1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,-1,0,-1}) + \frac{3}{2}sF_{1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,-2}) \\ &-5F_{1,1,1,-1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,-1}) + 4F_{1,1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,-1,0,-1}) \\ &+3F_{1,1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,-2}) - 2F_{1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,-1,0,-2})) \;. \end{split}$$

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Our analytical result for element 28 is

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35/12 I ep^4 \[Pi]^3 H[{-1}, x] - 3809/960 ep^5 \[Pi]^4 H[{-1}, x] -
1157/72 I ep^6 \[Pi]^5 H[{-1}, x] + 1/2 ep H[{0}, x] +
1/2 I ep^2 \[Pi] H[{0}, x] - 61/24 ep^3 \[Pi]^2 H[{0}, x] +
27/8 I ep^4 \[Pi]^3 H[{0}, x] - 103/576 ep^5 \[Pi]^4 H[{0}, x] + (
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Numerical evaluation of planar and non-planar three-loop threshold integrals with FIESTA [P. Marquard, J.H. Piclum, D. Seidel and M. Steinhauser'14] (evaluating NRQCD/QCD matching coefficients)

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Evaluating planar three-loop vertex integrals

$$F_{a_1,...,a_{12}} = \int \int \int \frac{d^D k_1 d^D k_2 d^D k_3}{[m^2 - (k_1 + p_1)^2]^{a_1} [m^2 - (k_2 + p_1)^2]^{a_2}} \\ \times \frac{1}{[m^2 - (k_3 + p_1)^2]^{a_3} [m^2 - (k_3 + p_2)^2]^{a_4} [m^2 - (k_2 + p_2)^2]^{a_5}} \\ \times \frac{1}{[m^2 - (k_1 + p_2)^2]^{a_6} [-k_1^2]^{a_7} [-(k_1 - k_2)^2]^{a_8} [-(k_2 - k_3)^2]^{a_9}} \\ \times \frac{1}{[-(k_1 - k_3)^2]^{a_{10}} [-k_2^2]^{-a_{11}} [-k_3^2]^{-a_{12}}}$$

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at $p_1^2 = m^2, p_2^2 = m^2$ at general $s \equiv q^2 = (p_1 - p_2)^2$ or at threshold, $s = 4m^2$.

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$$F_{a_1,...,a_{12}} = \int \int \int \frac{d^D k_1 d^D k_2 d^D k_3}{[m^2 - (k_1 + p_1)^2]^{a_1} [m^2 - (k_2 + p_1)^2]^{a_2}} \times \frac{1}{[m^2 - (k_3 + p_1)^2]^{a_3} [m^2 - (k_3 + p_2)^2]^{a_4} [m^2 - (k_2 + p_2)^2]^{a_5}} \times \frac{1}{[m^2 - (k_1 + p_2)^2]^{a_6} [-k_1^2]^{a_7} [-(k_1 - k_2)^2]^{a_8} [-(k_2 - k_3)^2]^{a_9}} \times \frac{1}{[-(k_1 - k_3)^2]^{a_{10}} [-k_2^2]^{-a_{11}} [-k_3^2]^{-a_{12}}}$$

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Each index can be positive but the total number of positive indices cannot be more than 9. This family of integrals can be represented as the union of eight subfamilies.

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90 master integrals for general q^2 and 51 threshold master integrals

 $F_{0,0,0,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,0,0}, F_{0,0,0,0,1,1,0,0,0,1,0,1}, F_{0,0,0,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,0,0,0,1,0,1,1,0},$ $F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,1,0,0,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,2,0,0,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,1,1,0,0,0,1,0,0}, F_{0,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,1,0,1,1,1},$ $F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,0,1,1,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,0,1,2,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,0,2,1,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,1,0,0,1},$ $F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,1,0,1,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,1,0,2,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,2,1,0,1,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,1,1,0,0,0,1,0,1},$ $F_{0,0,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,2,0,0}, F_{0,1,1,0,0,0,1,1,0,1,0,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,0,1,1,1},$ $F_{0,0,1,0,0,1,0,1,1,1,1,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,1,1,0,1,0,1,1,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,1,1,0,1,0,1,2,0}, F_{0,0,1,0,1,2,0,1,0,1,1,0},$ $F_{0,1,1,0,0,1,0,1,0,2,0,1},F_{0,1,1,0,0,1,0,2,0,1,0,1},F_{0,1,1,0,0,2,0,1,0,1,0,1},F_{0,1,1,0,0,1,1,1,0,1,0,0},$ $F_{0,1,1,0,1,0,1,0,1,1,0,0}, F_{0,1,1,0,1,0,1,1,0,0}, F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,0,0,1}, F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0,0},$ $F_{0,0,1,0,1,1,0,1,0,1,1,1}, F_{0,0,2,0,1,1,0,1,0,1,1,1}, F_{0,0,1,1,1,1,0,1,0,1,1,0}, F_{0,0,1,1,1,1,0,1,0,1,2,0},$ $F_{0,1,1,0,1,0,1,1,1,0,0,1},F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,0,1,0,1},F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,0,1,0,2},F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,0,2,0,1},$ $F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,0,2,0,1,0,1},F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,1,1,0,1,0,0},F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,0,2,0,0},F_{0,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,1,0,1,0,0},$ $F_{1,1,1,0,0,0,0,1,0,1,1,1}, F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,0,0,1}, F_{0,1,1,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,1}$



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where $\tilde{A} = \sum_{k} \tilde{A}_{\alpha_{k}} \log(\alpha_{k})$ and the letters α_{k} are $x, 1 + x, 1 - x, 1 + x + x^{2}$.

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A solution in an epsilon-expansion with coefficients written in terms of multiple (Goncharov) polylogarithms (MPL)

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with indices a_i taken from the seven-letters alphabet $\{0, r_1, r_3, -1, r_4, r_2, 1\}$ with

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A typical expression for analytical results for the elements of the basis

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ep^4*(-24*G[{-1}, 1]*G[{0}, x]*G[{0, -1}, 1] +
      24*G[{0, -1}, 1]*G[{0, -1}, x] - 23*G[{0, -1}, 1]*G[{0, 0}, x] -
      12 \times G[\{-1\}, 1] \times G[\{0\}, x] \times G[\{0, 1\}, 1] + 12 \times G[\{0, -1\}, x] \times G[\{0, 1\}, 1] -
       (23*G[{0, 0}, x]*G[{0, 1}, 1])/2 + 12*G[{0, -1}, 1]*G[{0, 1}, x] +
      6*G[{0, 1}, 1]*G[{0, 1}, x] + 12*G[{0, -1}, 1]*G[{1, 0}, x] +
      6*G[\{0, 1\}, 1]*G[\{1, 0\}, x] - 9*G[\{0, -1\}, 1]*G[\{r1, 0\}, x] -
       (9*G[{0, 1}, 1]*G[{r1, 0}, x])/2 - 9*G[{0, -1}, 1]*G[{r2, 0}, x] -
       (9*G[{0, 1}, 1]*G[{r2, 0}, x])/2 + 24*G[{0}, x]*G[{-1, 0, -1}, 1] +
      12*G[{0}, x]*G[{-1}, 0, 1], 1] + 24*G[{0}, x]*G[{0}, -1, -1], 1] +
      24*G[{-1}, x]*G[{0, 0, -1}, 1] - 48*G[{0}, x]*G[{0, 0, -1}, 1] +
      48 * G[{1}, x] * G[{0, 0, -1}, 1] - 18 * G[{r1}, x] * G[{0, 0, -1}, 1] -
      18 * G[{r_2}, x] * G[{0, 0, -1}, 1] + 24 * G[{-1}, x] * G[{0, 0, 1}, 1] -
       (57*G[{0}, x]*G[{0, 0, 1}, 1])/2 + 24*G[{1}, x]*G[{0, 0, 1}, 1] -
       (21*G[{r1}, x]*G[{0, 0, 1}, 1])/2 - (21*G[{r2}, x]*G[{0, 0, 1}, 1])/2 -
      6*G[{0}, x]*G[{0, 1, 1}, 1] - 24*G[{-1, -1, 0, 0}, x] +
      36*G[{-1, 0, 0, 0}, x] - 24*G[{-1, 1, 0, 0}, x] +
      24*G[{0, -1, -1, 0}, x] + 2*G[{0, -1, 0, 0}, x] + 12*G[{0, -1, 1, 0}, x] -
      23*G[{0, 0, -1, 0}, x] - (23*G[{0, 0, 1, 0}, x])/2 +
      12*G[{0, 1, -1, 0}, x] + (11*G[{0, 1, 0, 0}, x])/2 +
      6*G[{0, 1, 1, 0}, x] - 24*G[{1, -1, 0, 0}, x] + 12*G[{1, 0, -1, 0}, x] +
      15*G[{1, 0, 0, 0}, x] + 6*G[{1, 0, 1, 0}, x] - 12*G[{1, 1, 0, 0}, x] - 12*G[{1, 1, 0, 0}, x] - 15*G[{1, 1, 0, 0}, x] - 12*G[{1, 1, 0}, x] - 12*G[{1,
      9*G[{r1, 0, -1, 0}, x] + 6*G[{r1, 0, 0, 0}, x] -
       (9*G[{r1, 0, 1, 0}, x])/2 + (3*G[{r1, 1, 0, 0}, x])/2 -
      9*G[{r2, 0, -1, 0}, x] + 6*G[{r2, 0, 0, 0}, x] -
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Expand 'naively' in x + 1 the corresponding integrals. Introduce one more (13th) index for the order of this derivative in s, i.e. deal with the family

$$F'(a_1,\ldots,a_{12},a_{13})=\left.\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial s}\right)^{-a_{13}}F(a_1,\ldots,a_{12})\right|_{s=4m_{12}^2}$$

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In the language of differential equations, the naive part of the expansion near y = 0 corresponds to zero eigenvalues of the matrix A_0 while eigenvalues proportional to ε correspond to other contributions.

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Examples of our results [J. Henn, A. Smirnov and V. Smirnov'15] Evaluating Feynman integrals by uniformly transcendental differential equations

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Constants present in results for Feynman integrals up to weight 5 were discussed in [Fleischer and M. Kalmykov'99, Davydychev M. Kalmykov'00, M. Kalmykov and B. Kniehl'10].

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For example,

$$\begin{aligned} G_{I}(r_{2}) &= -\frac{\pi}{3}, \quad G_{R}(-1) = \log(2), \\ G_{R}(0,0,1) &= -\zeta(3), \quad G_{R}(0,0,0,1) = -\frac{\pi^{4}}{90}, \\ G_{R}(0,0,0,0,1) &= -\zeta(5), \\ G_{R}(0,0,1,1,-1) &= -2\text{Li}_{5}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 2\text{Li}_{4}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\log(2) - \frac{\pi^{2}\zeta(3)}{96} \\ &+ \frac{151\zeta(5)}{64} - \frac{\log^{5}(2)}{15} + \frac{1}{18}\pi^{2}\log^{3}(2) - \frac{1}{96}\pi^{4}\log(2). \end{aligned}$$

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In the special case where $a_i = 0$ for all *i* one has by definition

$$G(0,\ldots,0;z)=\frac{1}{n!}\ln^n z \; .$$

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In the special case where $a_i = 0$ for all *i* one has by definition

$$G(0,\ldots,0;z)=\frac{1}{n!}\ln^n z \; .$$

If $a_w \neq 0$, then

$$G(\rho a_1,\ldots,\rho a_w;\rho z)=G(a_1,\ldots,a_w;z)$$

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We revealed additional relations using PSLQ algorithm [H.R.P. Ferguson, D.H. Bailey, and S. Arno] and ginac [C. Bauer, A. Frink and R. Kreckel] to evaluate MPLs with a big accuracy (up to 4000 digits).

The dimensions of the bases

W	$\bar{D}_R(w)$	$D_R(w)$	$\bar{D}_l(w)$	$D_{l}(w)$	PSLQ _R	PSLQ _I
1	2	2	1	1		
2	1	5	1	3		
3	3	12	2	9		2
4	5	30	5	25	2	6
5	13	76	11	68	11	17
6	25	195	25	182	39	49

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The idea of using a balance transformation is that with its help one can take care of one singular point x_1 (by providing a Fuchsian singularity or by normalizing eigenvalues corresponding to a given singular point) and not to spoil these properties at a second singular point, x_2 .