

Two-loop helicity amplitudes for diphoton plus jet production in full colour

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Outline

Recent developments in higher-order calculations

- drawbacks of standard approaches and potential improvements
- case study: massless 2-loop 5-point amplitudes
- how to go about increasing complexity

Diphoton plus jet production in full colour. The $q\bar{q}$, qg and $g\bar{q}$ channels

- general structure of the amplitude
- reduction of the algebraic complexity
- results, analytic and numerical

Outlook and conclusions

Amplitudes and precision phenomenology

$$\sigma = \sigma_{\text{LO}} + \boxed{\alpha_s \sigma_{\text{NLO}}} + \boxed{\alpha_s^2 \sigma_{\text{NNLO}}} + \alpha_s^3 \sigma_{\text{N}^3\text{LO}} + \dots$$

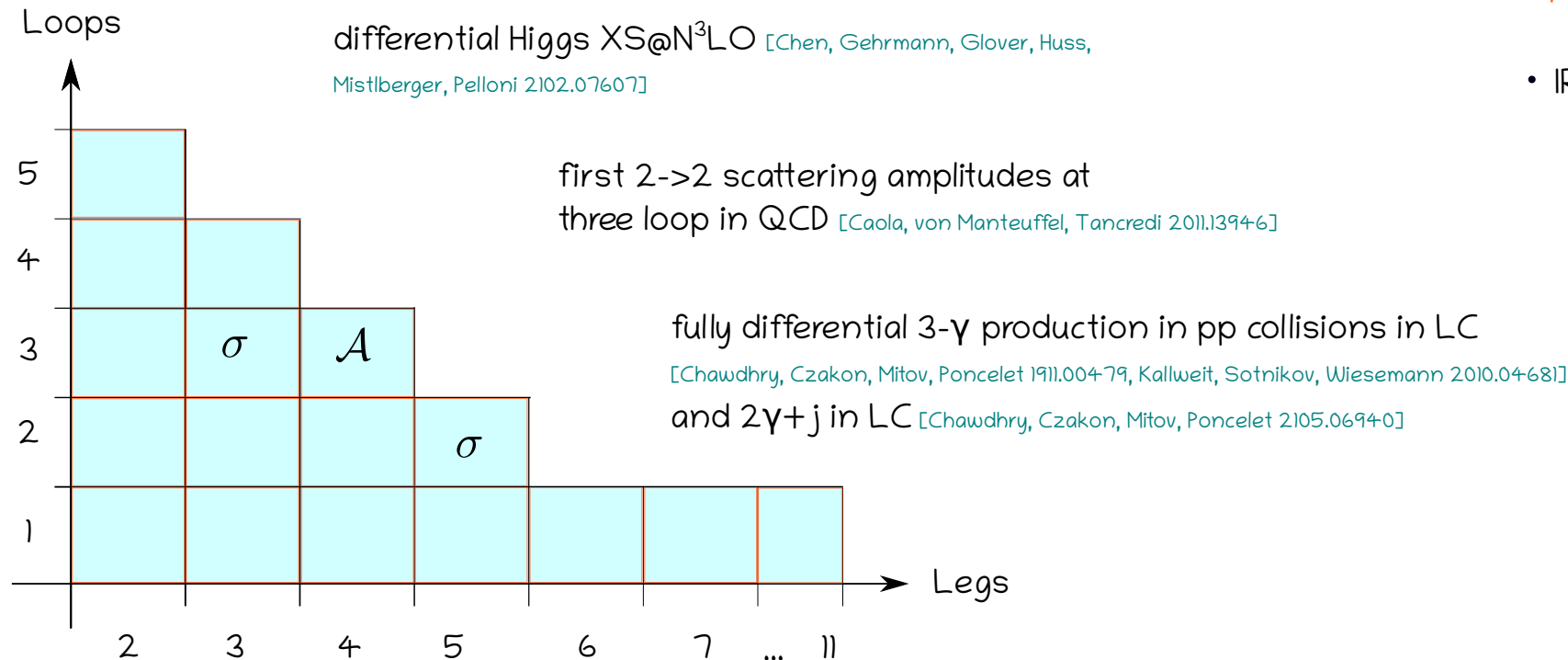
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Not only, loops. Need to include more legs for relevant LHC pheno

@Fixed order:

- Multi-loop, multi-leg Amplitudes
- IR Subtraction scheme

This talk



For real-life, pheno applications:
EW effects, Parton Showers,
PDFs, Resummation

LO and NLO automation

Tree-level and 1-loop calculations are problems solved.

Tree-level

Feynman diagrams, [spinor-helicity formalism](#)

[Recursive relations](#), e.g. Berends Giele off-shell recursion relations [\[Berends, Giele '88\]](#) or BCFW [\[Britto, Cachazo, Feng, Witten '05\]](#).

Efficient, elegant, generalisable.

One-loop

$$\mathcal{A}_N = \text{diagram} = \sum_{\Omega_0} \int d^D q \frac{\mathcal{N}^{(\Omega)}(q)}{D_0^{(\Omega)} \dots D_{n-1}^{(\Omega)}},$$

Unitarity-based or [On-shell methods](#)

$$\text{diagram} = \sum_i d_i \mathcal{I}_{4,i} + \sum_i c_i \mathcal{I}_{3,i} + \sum_i b_i \mathcal{I}_{2,i} + \sum_i a_i \mathcal{I}_{1,i} + \mathcal{R}$$

Rocket [\[Giele, Zanderighi '08\]](#)

Black Hat [\[Berger et al. '08\]](#)

NJet [\[Badger, Biedermann, Uwer, Yundin '12, '13\]](#)

Tensor reduction or [Off-shell methods](#)

$$\text{diagram} = \sum_{\Omega} \sum_{r=0}^n \mathcal{N}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^{(\Omega)} \int d^D q \frac{q^{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_r}}{D_0^{(\Omega)} \dots D_{N-1}^{(\Omega)}} + R_2,$$

GoSam [\[Cullen et al. '08\]](#)

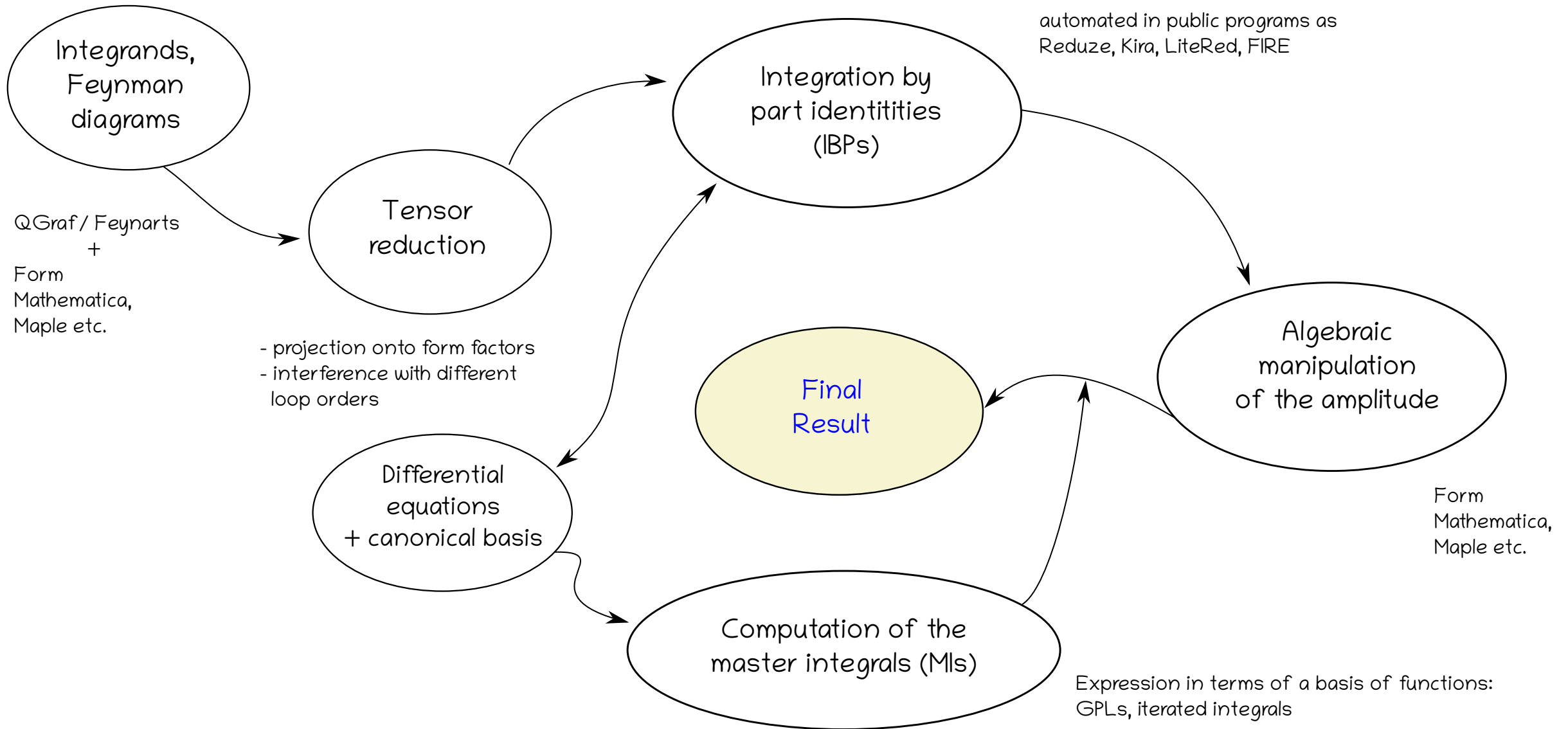
MadLoop [\[Hirschi et al. '11\]](#)

Helac-NLO [\[Bevilacqua et al. '13\]](#)

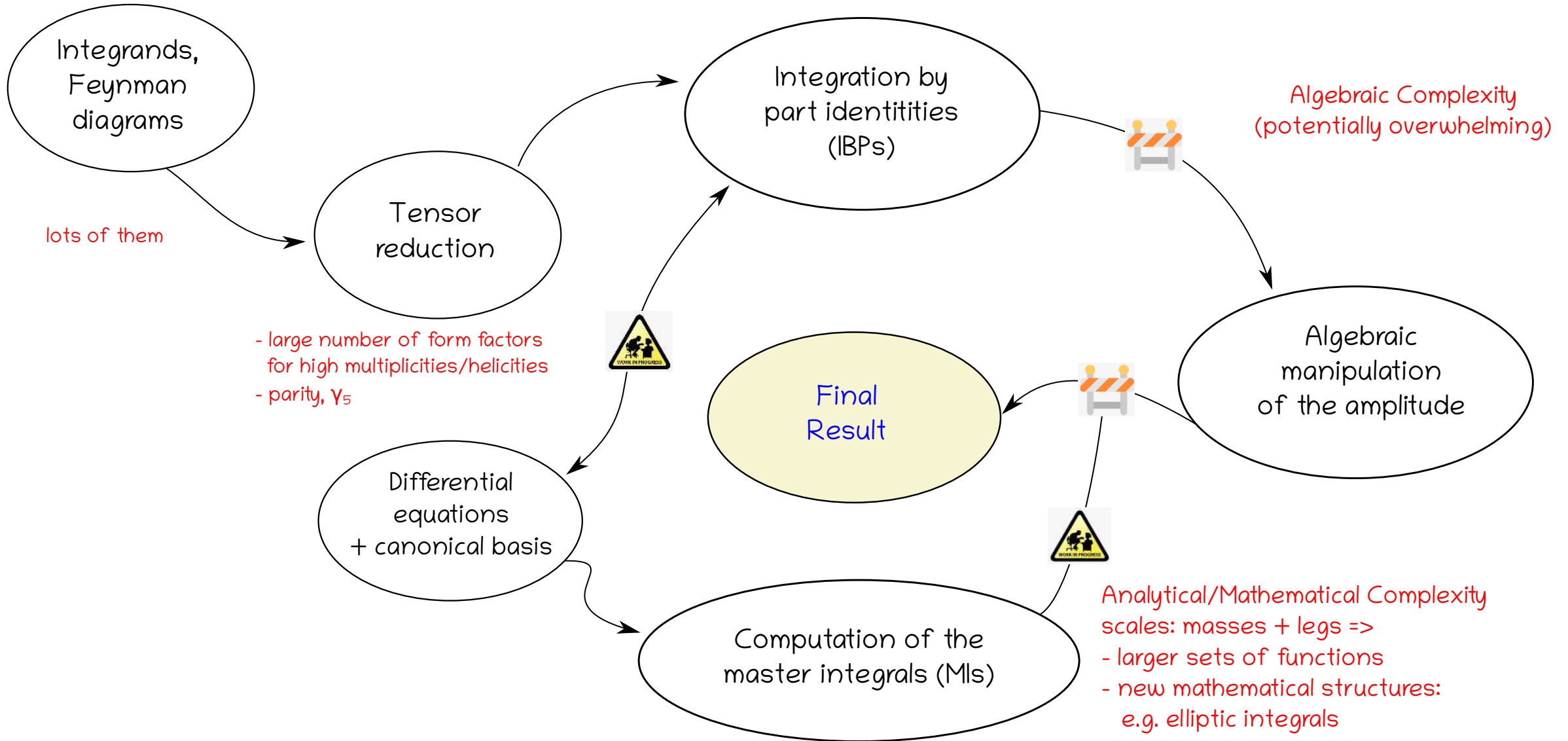
Recola [\[Actis, et al. '08, Denner, Lang, Uccirati '17\]](#)

OpenLoops [\[Cascioli, Pozzorini, Maihofer '12, F.B., Lang, Lindert, Maihofer, Pozzorini, Zhang, Zoller '19\]](#)

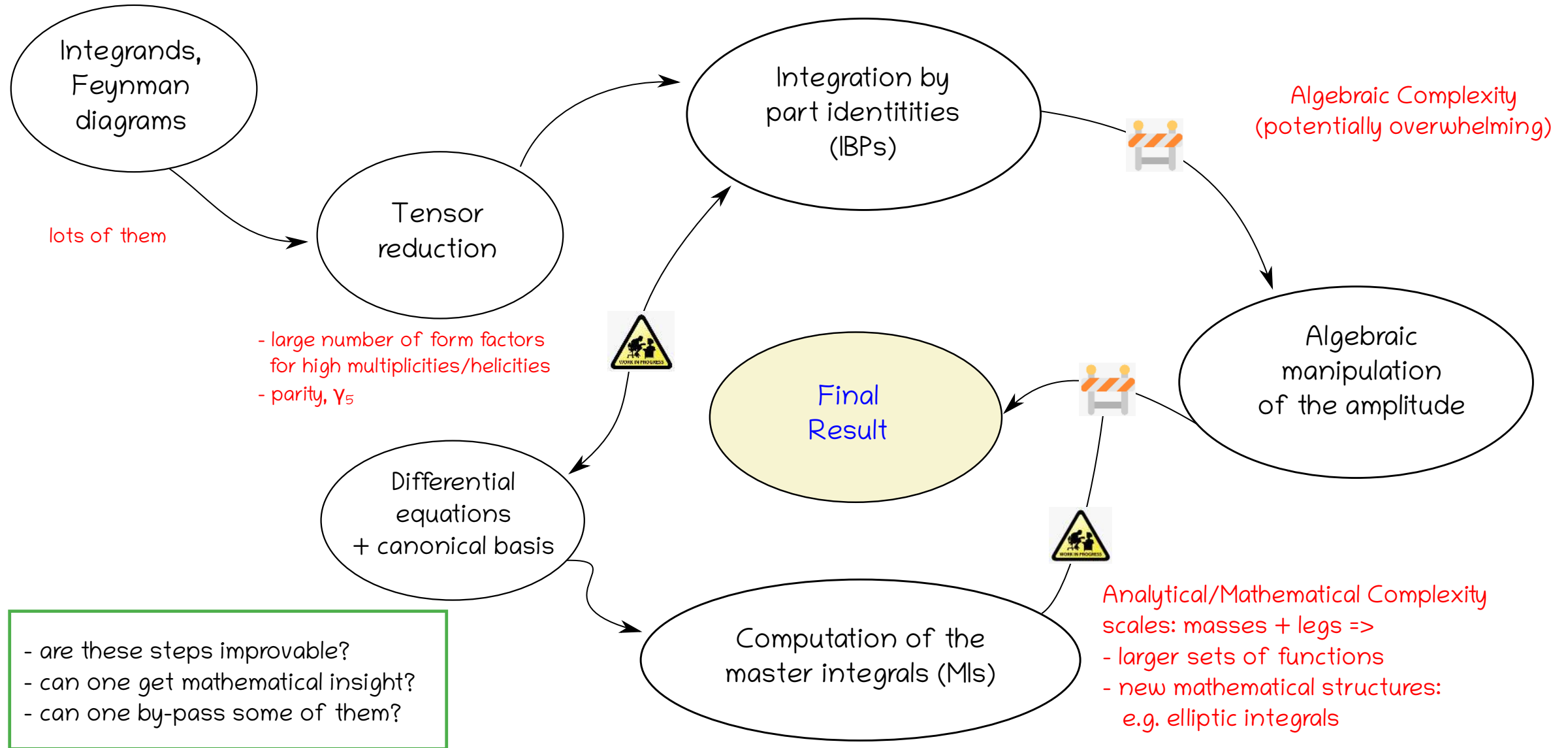
Traditional approach to multiloop amplitudes



Challenges and complexity



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Integration by part identities

Linear relations between multiloop Feynman integrals: reduction to a basis of Master Integrals [Chetyrkin, Tkachov, 1981]

It quickly becomes a very large linear algebra problem. Standard approach (until not too long ago): Laporta algorithm [Laporta 2000]

Reduze 2 [von Manteuffel, Studerus], Fire [Smirnov], LiteRed [Lee], Kira [Maierhoefer, Usovitsch, Uwer]

Start to show its limits for cutting edge pheno applications: many scales and higher loops

New ideas to tackle the IBP reduction

1) By-pass expensive symbolic operations
exploiting Finite field arithmetic

FinRed [von Manteuffel, Schabinger 1406.4513] (+ syzygies)

FiniteFlow [Peraro, 1905.08019]

Kira 2.0 [Klappert, Lange, Maierhoefer, Usovitsch, 2008.06494]

Alternative strategies, e.g.

[Chawhdry, Mitov, Lim 1805.09182]

2) Unitarity-based approaches:

First ideas in [Gluza, Kajda, Kosower, 1009.0472]

Master Integrals + Surface terms [Ita 1510.05626]

And related work in

[Zeng 1702.02355]

[Abreu, Febres-Cordero, Ita, Jacquier, Page, Zeng, 1703.05273,]

[Abreu, Page, Zeng, 1807.11522]

Developed into

Caravel ++ [Abreu et al 2009.11957]

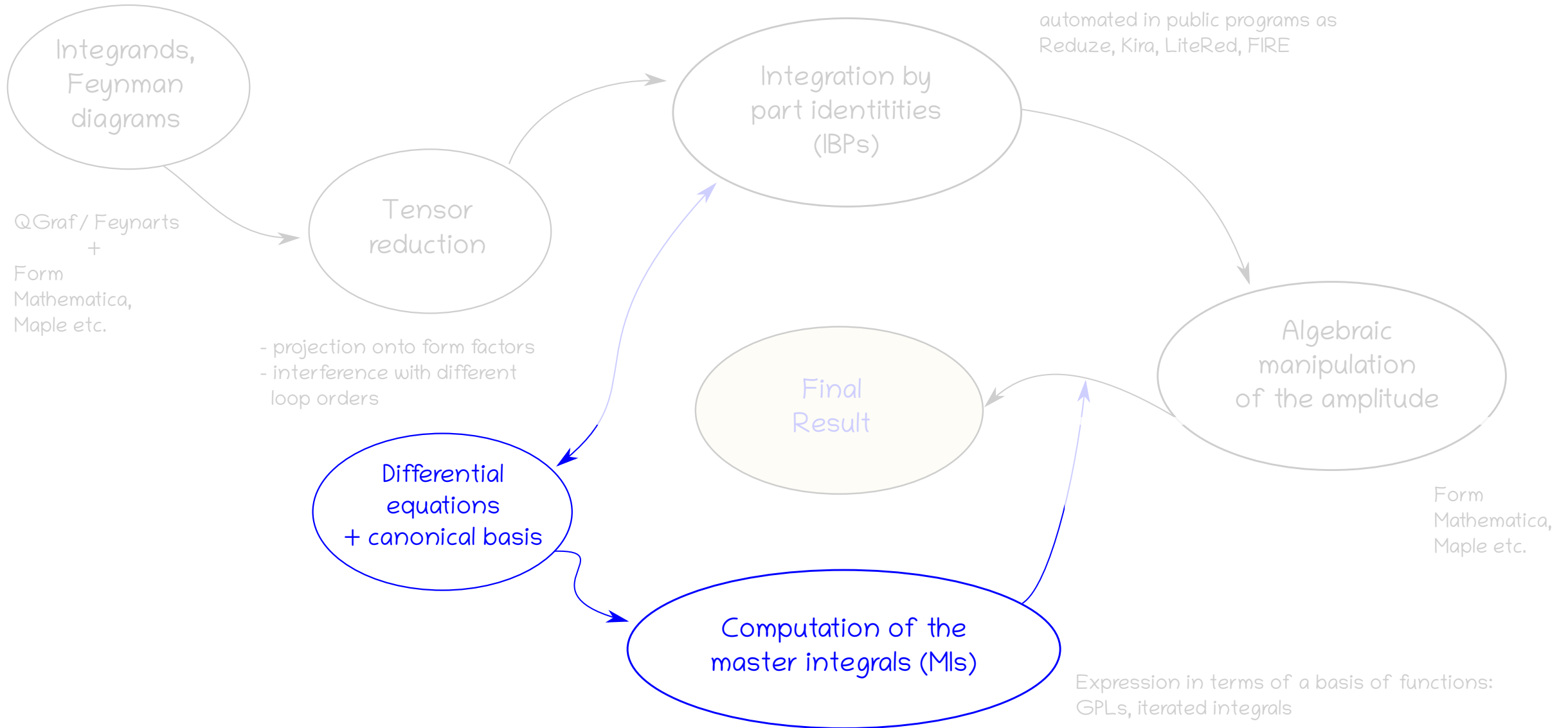
3) Module intersection

for IBP reduction +
Multivariate partial fraction
decomposition

[Bendle, Boehm, Heymann, Ma, Rahn, Ristau,
Wittmann, Wu, Zhang 2104.06866]

reduction of most complicated
massless non-planar 5-pt 2-loop
integrals

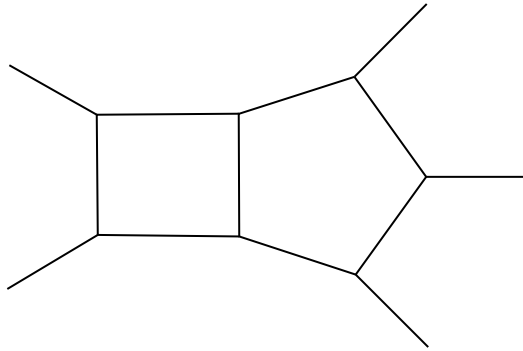
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Pentagon functions for $2 \rightarrow 3$ massless scattering amplitudes

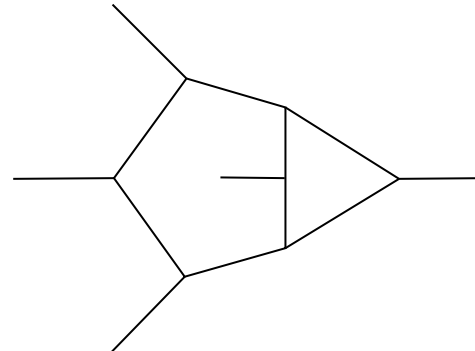
All master integrals known

Pentagon-Box



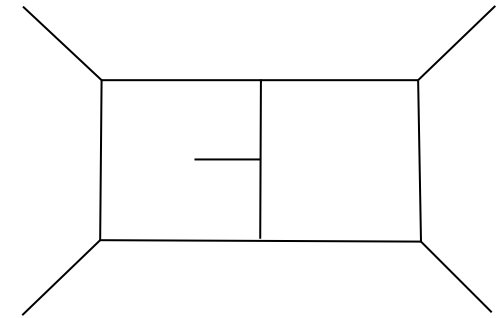
[Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti 1511.05409, 1807.09812],
[Papadopoulos, Tommasini, Wever 1511.09404]

Hexagon-Box



[Boehm, Georgoudis, Larsen, Schoenemann, Zhang],
[Abreu, Page, Zeng, 1807.11522]
[Chicherin, Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti, Mitev, Wasser 1809.06240]

Double-Pentagon



[Abreu, Dixon, Herrmann, Page, Zeng 1901.08563],
[Chicherin, Gehrmann, Henn, Wasser, Zhang, Zoia 1812.11160]

MIs through **Pentagon Functions**

Expressed (and evaluated) as iterated Chen integrals along a path γ

$$f^{(\omega)}(\vec{x}) = \int_{\gamma} d \log W_{i_1} \dots d \log W_{i_n}$$

ω integrations

Pentagon functions for planar integrals

[Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti 1807.09812]

Full set made available recently

[Chicherin, Sotnikov 2009.07803]

Results in the whole physical region

They can be used for ***all***
massless 5-pt amplitudes

Tackling the complexity of five-point scattering amplitudes

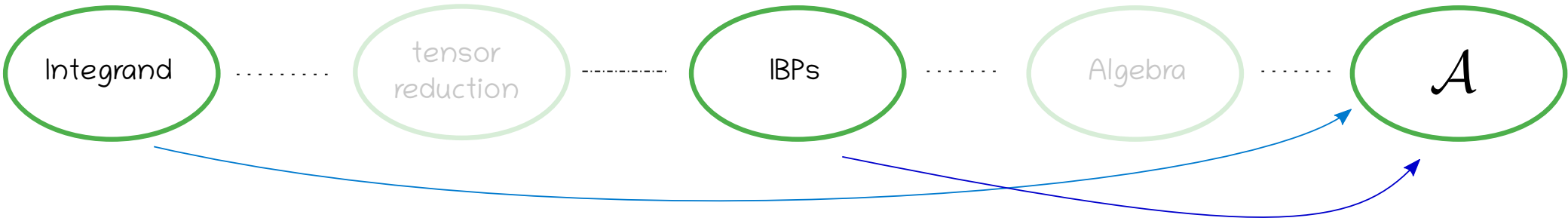
Consider a UV renormalised and IR subtracted 2-loop scattering amplitude

final result
much simpler than
intermediate steps!

$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_k c_k(s_{ij}) f_k(s_{ij})$$

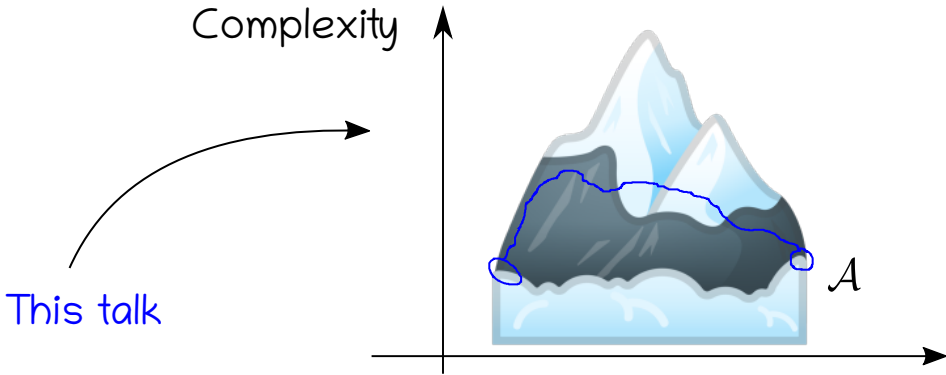
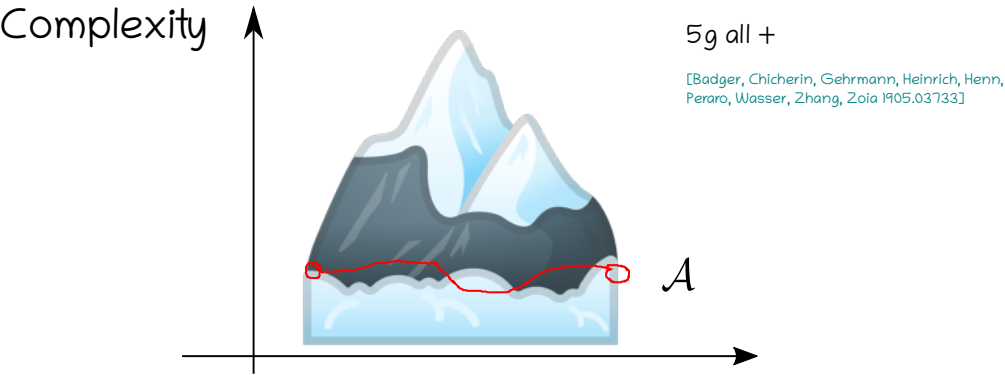
transcendental
functions

rational functions



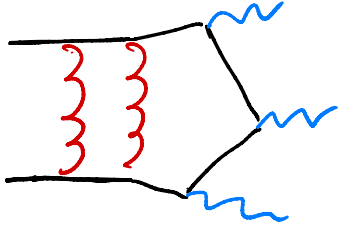
Can we reconstruct directly the final, physical, result?

Can we keep complexity under control?



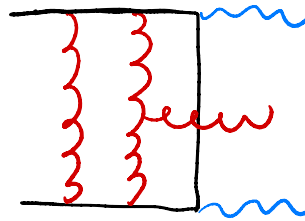
State-of-the-art of two-loop 2→3 scattering amplitudes

$qq \rightarrow 3\gamma$



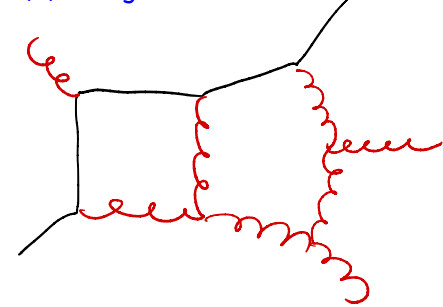
LC [Abreu, Page, Pascual, Sotnikov, 2010.15834]
LC [Chawdhry, Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet 2012.13553]

$qq(g) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma g(q)$



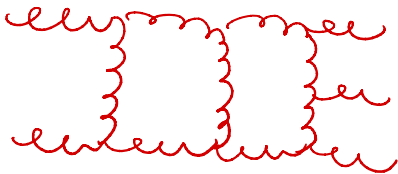
LC [Agarwal, F.B., von Manteuffel, Tancredi 2012.01820]
LC [Chawdhry, Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet 2013.04319]
FC [Agarwal, F.B., von Manteuffel, Tancredi 2015.04585]

$pp \rightarrow 3j$



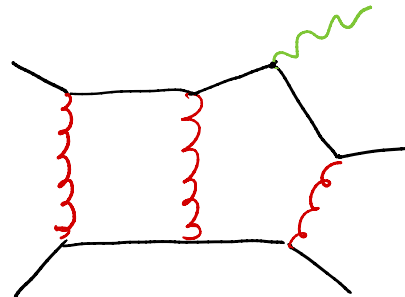
LC [Abreu, Dormans, Febres Cordero, Ita, Page, Sotnikov 1904.0094+5]
LC [Abreu, Febres Cordero, Ita, Page, Sotnikov 2102.13609]

5g all+ helicities, YM



FC [Badger, Chicherin, Gehrmann, Heinrich, Henn, Peraro, Wasser, Zhang, Zoia 1905.03733]

$qq' \rightarrow Wbb$



LC [Badger, Hartanto, Zoia, 2102.02516]

This talk

all helicity configurations

Kinematics of massless 5-point amplitudes

A massless 5-pt amplitude is described by a set of five independent kinematic invariants

$$s_{12} = (p_1 + p_2)^2, \quad s_{23} = (p_2 - p_3)^2, \quad s_{34} = (p_3 + p_4)^2, \\ s_{45} = (p_4 + p_5)^2, \quad s_{15} = (p_1 - p_5)^2$$

Together with the parity-odd invariant ϵ_5

$$\epsilon_5 = 4i\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}p_1^\mu p_2^\nu p_3^\rho p_4^\sigma$$

Don't forget permutations.
Lots of them ($5! = 120$)

ϵ_5 is related to the determinant of the Gram matrix via

$$(\epsilon_5)^2 = \Delta \equiv \det G_{ij} = \det (2p_i \cdot p_j), \quad i, j \in \{1, \dots, 4\},$$

The physical scattering region $1\ 2 \rightarrow 3\ 4\ 5$

is defined by

with further constraints [Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti '18]

$$s_{12}, s_{34}, s_{45} > 0$$

$$s_{23}, s_{15} < 0$$

$$\Delta < 0$$

$$s_{12} \geq s_{34}$$

$$s_{12} - s_{34} \geq s_{45}$$

$$0 \geq s_{23} \geq s_{45} - s_{12}$$

$$\delta \equiv \text{Im}(\epsilon_5)$$

The pentagon functions are
evaluated in the analyticity region $\delta > 0$

[Chicherin, Sotnikov, 2009.07803]

$$qq(g) \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma + g(q)$$

Diphoton+jet production in pp collisions

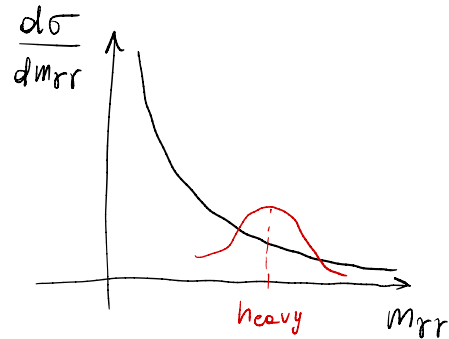
Diphoton production: important class of processes at the LHC

Irreducible background to SM and BSM processes. Most notably $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

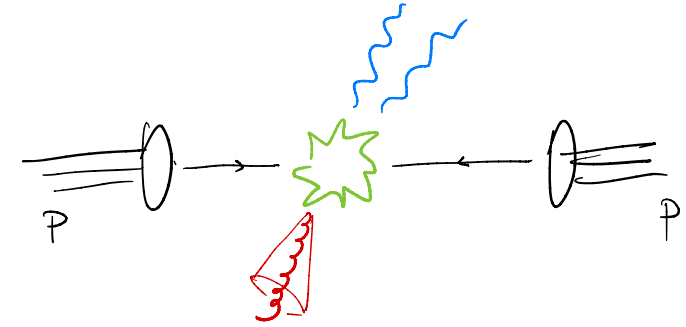
First pheno studies in NNLO QCD at LC [Chawdhry, Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet 2105.0694-0]

Invariant mass:

relevant for direct searches of resonances



N³LO QCD corrections to the cross section for $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
di-photon + jet amplitudes necessary ingredient



pT distribution:

unique probe to investigate the properties
of the decaying particles

Recoil against hard QCD radiation

Relevance of higher-order QCD corrections for target accuracy

Partonic channels:

$qq(g) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma g(q)$

$gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma g$

this talk

loop induced

Structure of the scattering amplitude

Let us consider the scattering process:

$$q(p_1) + \bar{q}(p_2) \rightarrow g(p_3) + \gamma(p_4) + \gamma(p_5)$$

The helicity amplitudes are given by:

$$A_{ij}^a(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = i(4\pi\alpha)Q_q^2\sqrt{4\pi\alpha_s}\mathbf{T}_{ij}^a\mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{\lambda})$$

Three independent helicity configurations

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_A = \{L, +, +, +\}, \quad \boldsymbol{\lambda}_B = \{L, -, +, +\}, \quad \boldsymbol{\lambda}_C = \{L, -, -, +\}$$

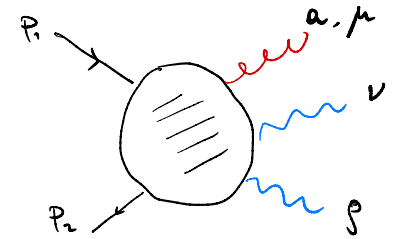
Factor out spinor phase as

$$\mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \Phi(\boldsymbol{\lambda})\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{\lambda})$$

Separate then into an even and an odd component and expand perturbatively

$$\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \mathcal{B}^E(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) + \epsilon_5\mathcal{B}^O(\boldsymbol{\lambda})$$

$$\mathcal{B}^P(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \sum_{k=0}^2 \left(\frac{\alpha_s^b}{2\pi}\right)^k \mathcal{B}^{P,(k)}(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) + \mathcal{O}((\alpha_s^b)^3)$$



$$\Phi(\boldsymbol{\lambda}_A) = 2\sqrt{2} \frac{[31]\langle 12 \rangle^3 \langle 13 \rangle}{\langle 14 \rangle^2 \langle 15 \rangle^2 \langle 23 \rangle^2}$$

$$\Phi(\boldsymbol{\lambda}_B) = 2\sqrt{2} \frac{\langle 12 \rangle \langle 23 \rangle^2}{\langle 14 \rangle \langle 42 \rangle \langle 25 \rangle \langle 51 \rangle}$$

$$\Phi(\boldsymbol{\lambda}_C) = 2\sqrt{2} \frac{[51]^2 [12]}{[14][42][23][31]}$$

UV renormalisation and IR factorisation

$$\mathcal{A}(\lambda) = \Phi(\lambda) \left(\mathcal{B}^{(0)}(\lambda) + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right) \mathcal{B}^{(1)}(\lambda) + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 \mathcal{B}^{(2)}(\lambda) \right) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$$

We renormalise our results in $\overline{\text{MS}}$

$$\alpha_s^b \mu_0^{2\epsilon} S_\epsilon = \alpha_s \mu^{2\epsilon} \left[1 - \frac{\beta_0}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right) + \left(\frac{\beta_0^2}{\epsilon^2} - \frac{\beta_1}{2\epsilon} \right) \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3) \right]$$

The IR structure is completely determined [Catani 9802439; Garland, Gehrmann, Glover, Koukoutsakis, Remiddi 0206067]

We subtract the IR poles according to Catani's scheme [Catani 9802439]

Barred objects are UV renormalised

$$\bar{\mathcal{B}}^{(1)}(\lambda) = I_1(\epsilon, \mu^2) \mathcal{B}^{(0)}(\lambda) + \mathcal{R}^{(1)}(\lambda)$$

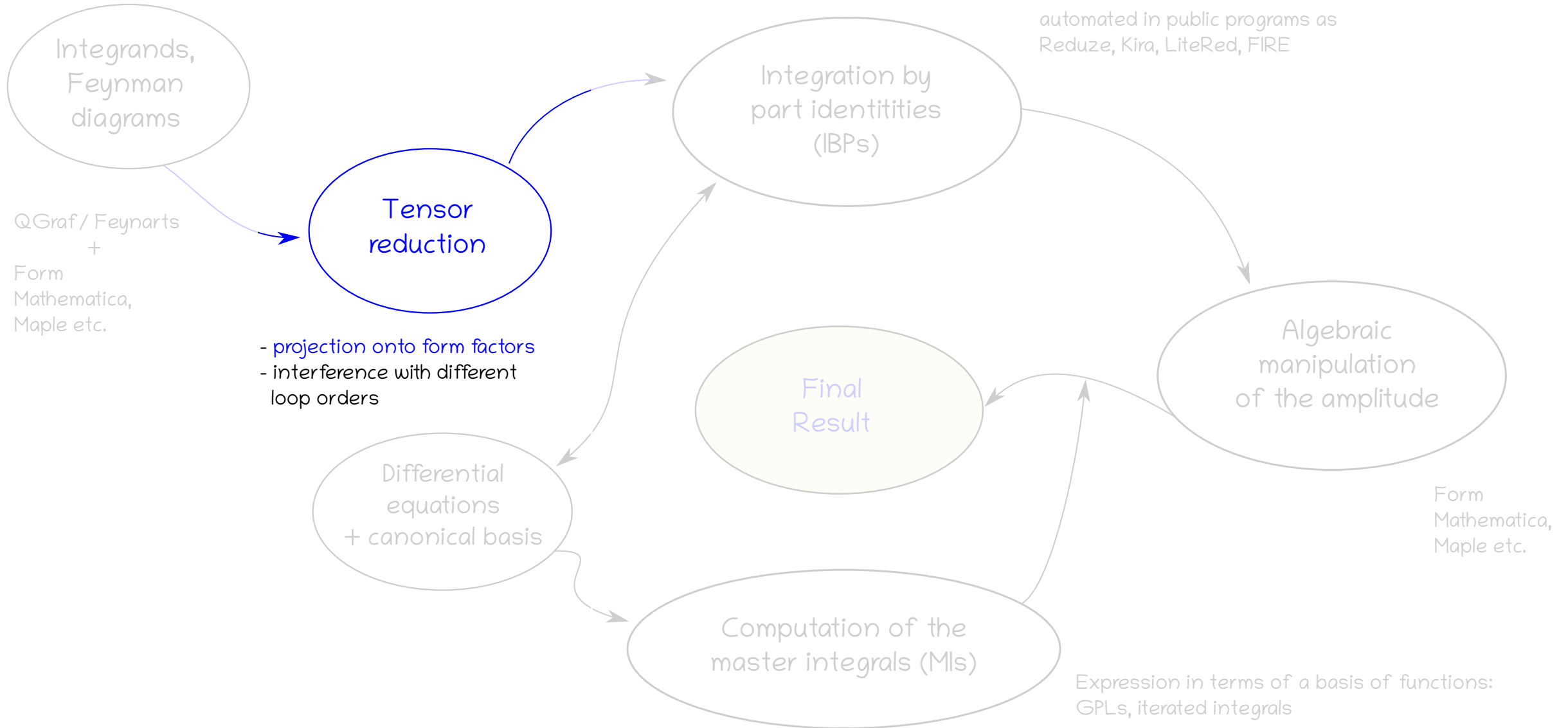
$$\bar{\mathcal{B}}^{(2)}(\lambda) = I_2(\epsilon, \mu^2) \mathcal{B}^{(0)}(\lambda) + I_1(\epsilon, \mu^2) \bar{\mathcal{B}}^{(1)}(\lambda) + \mathcal{R}^{(2)}(\lambda)$$

What we are interested in

Extract 2-loop finite remainders

$$\mathcal{R}^{P,(k)}(\lambda)$$

Traditional approach to multiloop amplitudes



Physical projectors

Project out amplitude onto form factors as suggested in [\[Peraro, Tancredi 1906.03298, 2012.00820\]](#)

avoid evanescent form factors throughout

Main idea: decompose the amplitude into Lorentz structure which are independent in $d=4$

In practice: calculate only the physical **helicity amplitudes** in the **t'Hooft-Veltman scheme**

Generic tensor structure for our amplitudes:

$$\mathcal{T}_j \sim \bar{u}(p_2) \not{p}_{3,4} u(p_1) p_{i_3}^\mu p_{i_4}^\nu p_{i_5}^\rho \epsilon_\mu^*(p_3) \epsilon_\nu^*(p_4) \epsilon_\rho^*(p_5)$$

Transversality of on-shell bosons + gauge fixing: **# of independent tensors in ($d=4$) = # of helicity configurations**

$$\mathcal{A}(\lambda) = \sum_{j=1}^{16} \mathcal{F}_j \mathcal{T}_j(\lambda)$$

Each **form factor \mathcal{F}_j** can then be extracted via **projectors**:

$$\mathcal{P}_j = \sum_{k=1}^{16} c_k^j \mathcal{T}_k^\dagger$$

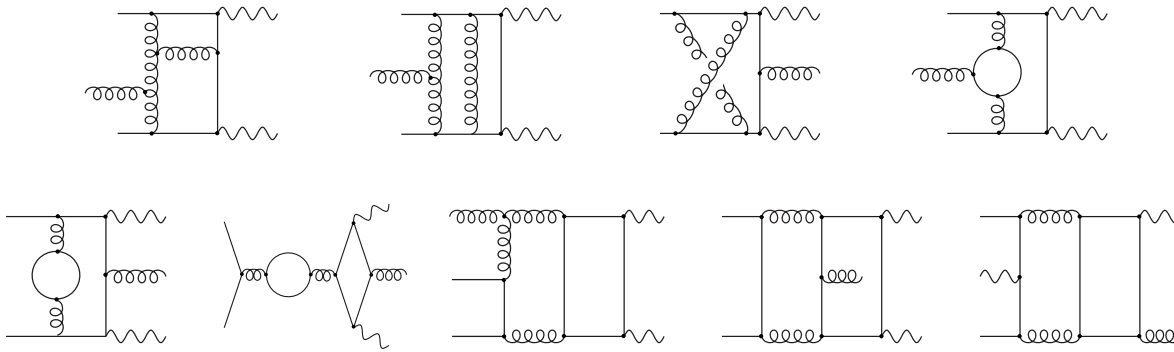
no d -dependence in c_k^j
for $n > 4$

$$\mathcal{F}_j = \sum_{\text{pol}} \mathcal{P}_j \mathcal{A}$$

Colour structure

Colour structure of the (UV and IR renormalised) 2-loop finite remainder

$$\mathcal{R}^{P,(2)}(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^{10} \tilde{c}_i \mathcal{R}_i^{P,(2)}(\lambda)$$



$$n_f^{\gamma\gamma} = \frac{1}{Q_q^2} \sum_i^{n_f} Q_i^2 \quad n_f^{\gamma} = \frac{1}{Q_q} \sum_i^{n_f} Q_i,$$

For reference/example:

$$d\bar{d} \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma: \quad N = 3 \quad n_f = 5 \quad n_f^{\gamma\gamma} = 11 \quad n_f^{\gamma} = -1$$

Complexity

$$\tilde{c}_3 = N^{-2}$$

$$\tilde{c}_2 = 1$$

$$\tilde{c}_7 = N n_f^{\gamma\gamma}$$

$$\tilde{c}_9 = d_{abc} d_{abc} n_f^{\gamma}$$

$$\tilde{c}_8 = N^{-1} n_f^{\gamma\gamma}$$

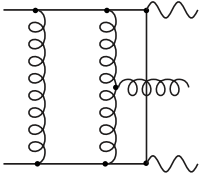
$$\tilde{c}_1 = N^2$$

$$\tilde{c}_4 = N n_f$$

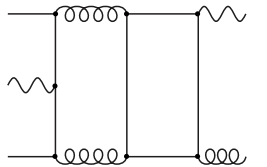
$$\tilde{c}_5 = N^{-1} n_f$$

$$\tilde{c}_6 = n_f^{\gamma\gamma} n_f$$

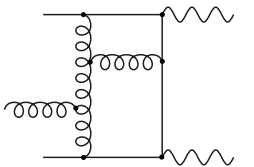
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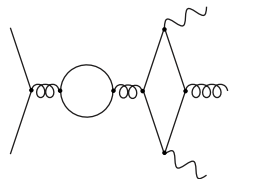
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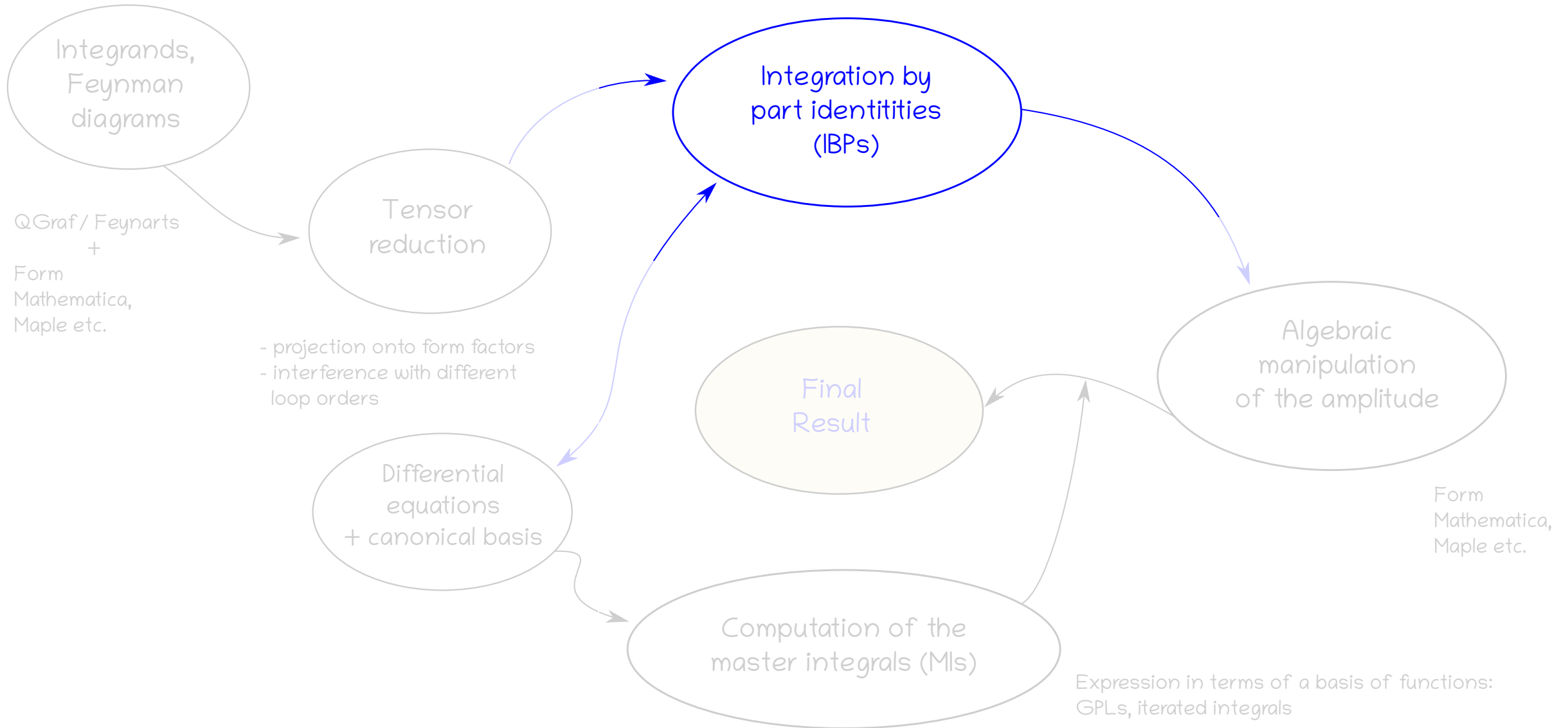
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1-loop



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Reduction to master integrals

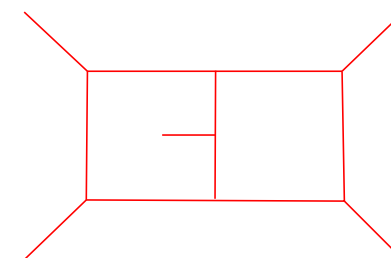
For the [planar topologies](#) using [Kira 1.2](#) was sufficient to get all the relevant IBP identities. $O(2k)$ CPU hours

We tried with FinRed too and timings were comparable

IBP identities for non-planar topologies obtained using [FinRed](#): capable of [reducing the non-planar integral families completely](#)

- Finite-fields arithmetics [\[von Manteuffel, Schabinger 14.06.4513; Peraro 1905.08019\]](#)
- Syzygy techniques [\[Gluza, Kadja, Kosower 1009.0472, Ita 1510.05626; Larsen, Zhang, 1511.01071, Agarwal, Jones, von Manteuffel 2011.15113\]](#)
- Denominators guessing [\[Abreu, Dormans, Febres Cordero, Ita, Page 1812.04586; Heller, von Manteuffel 2101.08283\]](#)

Most complicated integrals: 8-line denominators + 5 scalar products, ($t=8, s=5$) for DP topology



A good choice of MIs basis is crucial: [Canonical basis/UT weight integrals](#)

Two possibilities

- 1) use a precanonical basis, extracted from [\[Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti, 1807.09812\]](#).
"Simpler" for practical reasons
- 2) directly use a canonical basis [\[Gehrmann, Henn, Lo Presti, 1807.09812\]](#) or [\[Chicherin, Sotnikov 2009.07803\]](#).
Preferrable

Pros:

- Exposes [physical cuts](#) of the integrals
- simpler [rational coefficients](#)
- extra bonus: [d-dependence factorised](#)

Integration by part identities: formal structure

Suppose we have a canonical basis of MIs, a generic IBP identity will look like

$$I(s_{ij}; d) = \sum_{k=1}^M a_k(s_{ij}, d) \mathcal{J}(s_{ij}; d)$$

omitting ϵ_5 for
simplicity now

\nearrow
rational function,
over a common denominator

with

$$\mathcal{J}(s_{ij}; d) = \sum_{i=m_1}^{m_2} \mathcal{J}^{(i)}(s_{ij}) (4-d)^i$$

\nearrow
pure function, i.e.
no rational dependence on s_{ij}

Note:

d-dependence completely factorises
in the denominator:

$$a_k(s_{ij}; d) = \frac{\mathcal{N}(s_{ij}; d)}{\mathcal{Q}(d) \mathcal{D}(s_{ij})}$$

$$\mathcal{D}(s_{ij}) = \prod_{n=1}^{N_d} \mathcal{D}_n^{p_n}(s_{ij})$$

Natural to make the association:

Rational function \rightarrow partial-fraction decomposition

1) univariate partial-fraction decomposition wrt d (trivial)

2) multivariate partial-fraction decomposition wrt s_{ij} (hard)

in our case $N_d = 25$

Examples:

$$D_6 = s_{12} + s_{23} - s_{45}$$

$$D_{20} = s_{12} + s_{23} - s_{45} - s_{51}$$

In the planar case, D_i linear functions
of s_{ij} . For non-planar IBPs one
can have a Gram determinant

Multivariate partial fraction decomposition (MVPFD)

It has been long known that a MVPFD simplifies significantly the IBP reductions

$$a_k(s_{ij}; d) = \frac{\mathcal{N}(s_{ij}; d)}{\mathcal{Q}(d)\mathcal{D}(s_{ij})} \xrightarrow[\text{pf in } d]{\text{after}} a_k(s_{ij}; d) = \sum_l g_l(d) \mathcal{R}_l(s_{ij})$$

How should we go about this?

Proposals/approaches for MVPFD:

[Pak 1111.0868], [Abreu et al, 1904.00945],

[Boehm, Wittmann, Wu, Xu, Zhang, 2008.13194]

Systematic study of reduction

of IBPs: [2008.13194; Bendle et al 2104.06866]

We employ the algorithm implemented in the recently published package [MultivariateApart](#) [Heller, von Manteuffel, 2101.08283]

Big advantages of MultivariateApart:

- 1) systematically avoids spurious denominator factors
- 2) produces unique results also when applied to terms of a sum separately

we exploit both

Drastic reduction of algebraic complexity. IBPs tractable in a fully symbolic fashion

Examples:

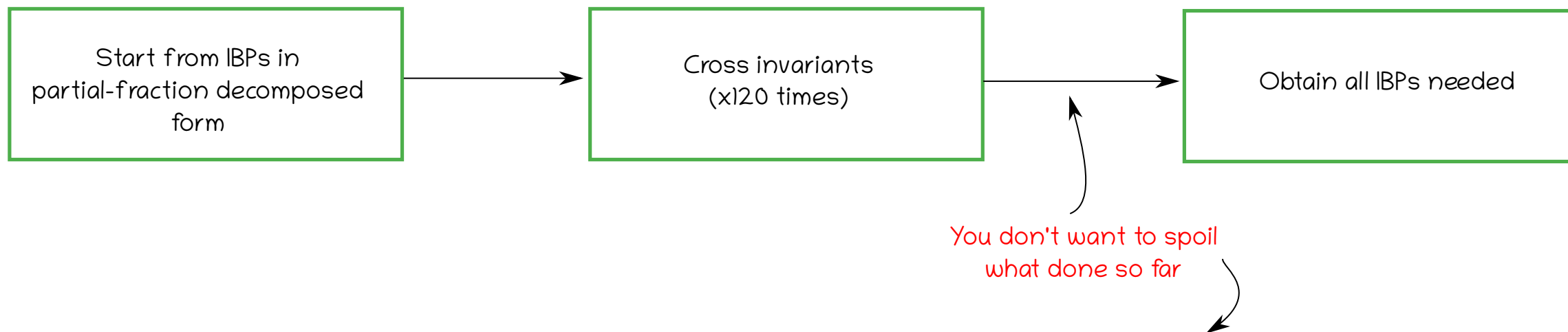
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| HB: INT[TB,8,255,8,5,{1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,-4,0,-1}] | 513 mb | → 9.9 mb |
| DP: INT[TB,8,510,8,5,{0,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0,-5}] | 1.2 gb | → 12 mb |

The largest simplifications occur for the most complicated integrals:
up to a factor ~ 100 in reduction size!

Crossing of IBP identities

For the complete reduction we need (potentially) all **permutations of the external momenta**

Being able to treat the IBPs in a fully symbolic fashion, this becomes **extremely cheap** (wrt other steps)

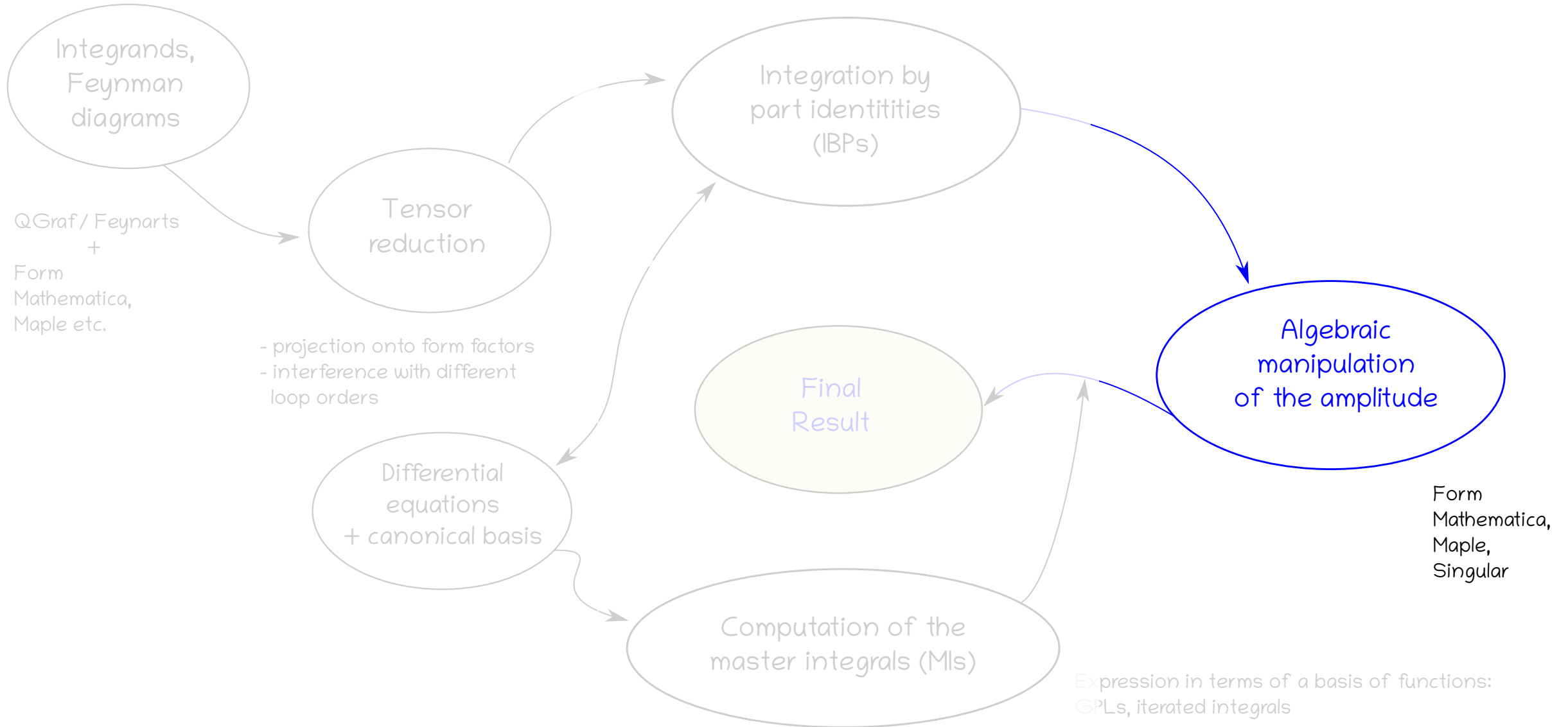


After crossing the invariants: second partial fraction decomposition according to a prefixed **global Groebner basis**

In practice: all terms in the sum decomposed locally but a **unique representation of the rational functions** across all IBP identities guaranteed

Crucial for the many (very many indeed) cancellations in the final result.
No need for expensive GCD operations

Traditional approach to multiloop amplitudes



Finite remainder of the amplitude

Insert IBPs into the amplitude, then further partial fraction decomposition: Multivariate Apart + Singular [Decker, Greuel, Pfister, Schoenemann] as backend

No GCD needed to see cancellations!

think of a linear combination
with f_k elements of the basis

$$\mathcal{R}(\lambda) = \sum_k r_k(\{s_{ij}, \epsilon_5\}) f_k(\{s_{ij}, \epsilon_5\})$$

in partial fraction decomposed form:
i.e. sum of a large number of monomials

rational functions are not independent

Already observed in:

[Abreu, Dormans, Febres Cordero, Ita, Page, Sotnikov 1904.0094-5]
[De Laurentis, Maitre, arXiv:2010.14525]
[Chawdhry, Czakon, Mitov, Poncelet, 2012.13553, 2103.04319]
[Abreu, Cordero, Ita, Page, Sotnikov, 2102.13609]

$$r_k = \sum_{m_1 + \dots + m_n \leq p} a_{k, m_1 \dots m_{30}} M_{m_1 \dots m_{30}},$$

$$M_{m_1 \dots m_{30}} \equiv q_1^{m_1} \dots q_{25}^{m_{25}} s_{12}^{m_{26}} \dots s_{51}^{m_{30}}$$

We look for linear relations among the various rational functions:

monomials are independent objects

$$0 = \sum_k r_k b_k$$

as many equations
as independent monomials

$$0 = \sum_k a_{k, m_1 \dots m_{30}} b_k$$

monomials \gg # rational functions

but this linear system is over constrained thus admits a solution

(similar in spirit to IBP
reduction)

drastic reduction of
final expressions

Choice of denominator basis in MVPFD

think of a linear combination
with r_k elements of the basis

$$\mathcal{R}(\lambda) = \sum_k r_k(\{s_{ij}, \epsilon_5\}) f_k(\{s_{ij}, \epsilon_5\})$$

A global Groebner basis exposes all cancellations, but might introduce spurious denominators.

Easy (but important) fix

1) Look for all and only the "physical" denominators and the exponents thereof

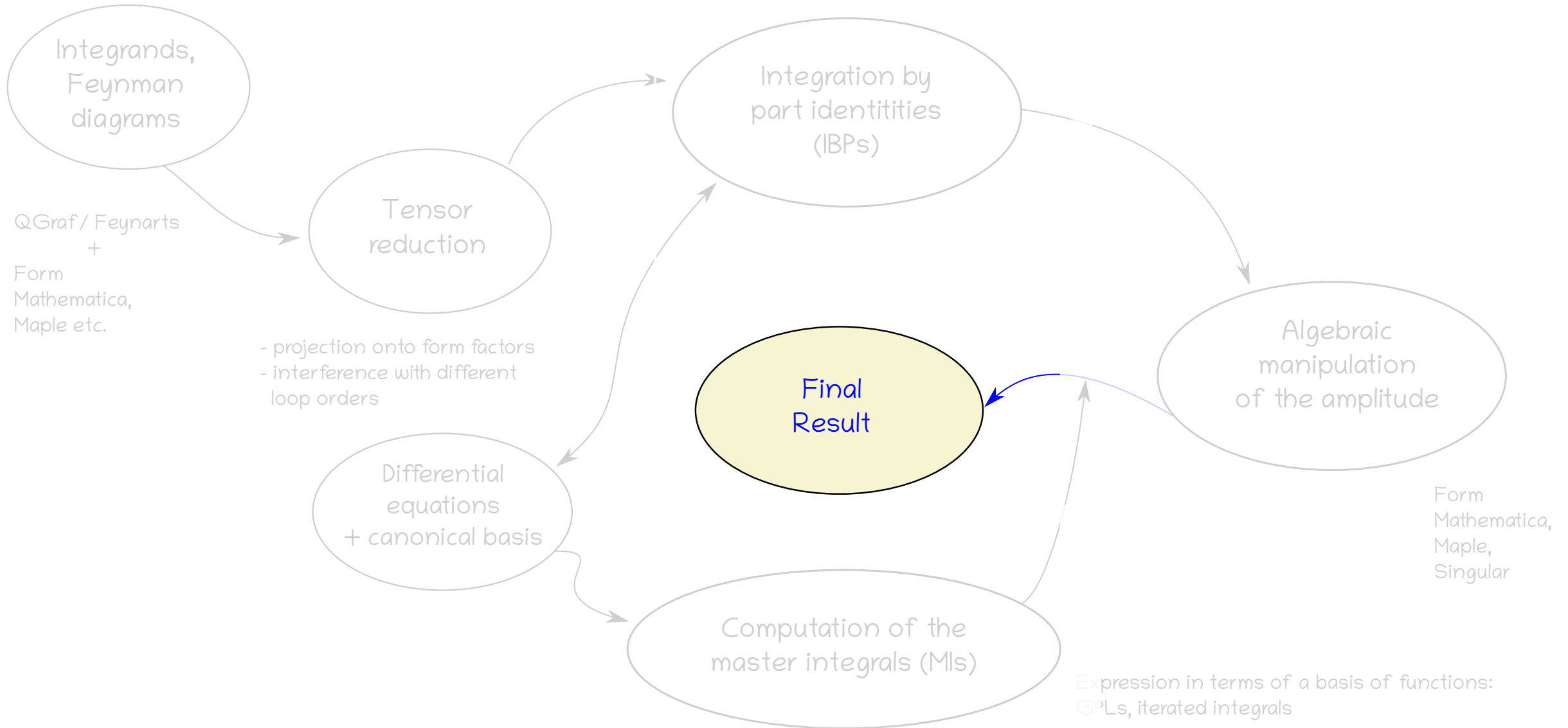
- perform a numerical evaluation (prime numbers)
- perform a prime factors decomposition to identify denominators

2) move to a representation which avoids spurious denominators/exponents

- ie, choose a suitable monomial ordering
- No need for expensive GCD operations!

- More compact results
- Improved numerical stability of rational functions

Traditional approach to multiloop amplitudes

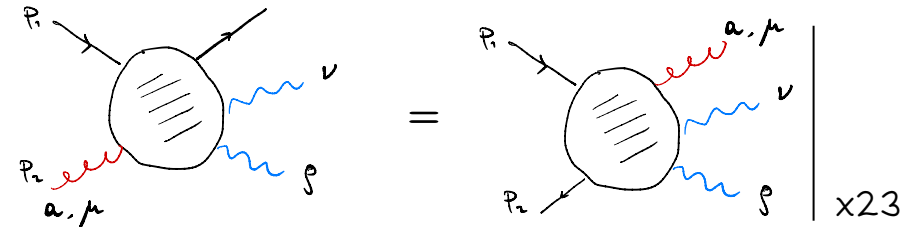
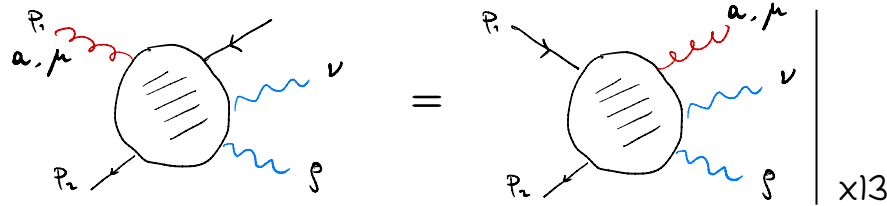


Crossed partonic channels

think of a linear combination
with r_k elements of the basis

$$\mathcal{R}(\lambda) = \sum_k r_k(\{s_{ij}, \epsilon_5\}) f_k(\{s_{ij}, \epsilon_5\})$$

In the position to derive **results for crossed partonic channels**: $q\bar{q}$ and $g\bar{q}$ channels



No need to perform any heavy step again: only need $1 \leftrightarrow 3$ and $2 \leftrightarrow 3$ permutations

Crossing r_k is trivial

Crossing f_k more involved



- 1) Express **2-loop MIs** and crossings thereof in terms of **pentagon functions**
- 2) Exploit the fact that the **full set of MIs** is **mapped onto itself** under permutations
- 3) Obtain a formal **system of linear equations** for crossed pentagon functions
- 4) **Solve** the system (using FinRed). Solutions are enough to **cross the whole amplitude**

Checks on the finite remainders of the helicity amplitudes

- We [checked](#) that the [IR poles](#) of the UV-renormalised helicity amplitudes [reproduce those predicted by Catani's factorisation formula](#)
- Check against the LC part of the amplitude published in [\[Chawdhry et al. 2103.04319\]](#) finding [complete agreement](#).
- Strongest of all checks: we performed an [independent calculation of the tree-two-loop interference](#)

[Independent](#) as in:

- No projectors are used: direct interference of the 2-loop amplitude with the tree-level one summed over polarisations
- Calculation of the interference fully in CDR
- The $q\bar{q}$ channel is derived by crossing the $q\bar{q}$ interference prior to IBP reduction (not at the final level of pentagon functions)

After [UV renormalisation](#) and [IR factorisation](#): [finite remainder in CDR](#) and [t'Hooft-Veltman](#) are [equivalent](#)

Direct interference vs interference from amplitudes: [complete agreement for all colour factors](#)

Full color results for the helicity amplitudes

Benchmark results for the complete helicity amplitudes

| | $u\bar{u} \rightarrow g\gamma\gamma$ | $ug \rightarrow u\gamma\gamma$ |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| $\mathcal{R}^{(1)}(\lambda_A)$ | $0.08637873 + 0.6505825 i$ | $-0.05575262 + 1.282163 i$ |
| $\mathcal{R}^{(1)}(\lambda_B)$ | $4.812087 + 0.8811173 i$ | $-5.332701 - 6.518506 i$ |
| $\mathcal{R}^{(1)}(\lambda_C)$ | $0.05297897 - 4.432186 i$ | $-2.497722 - 22.42864 i$ |
| $\mathcal{R}^{(2)}(\lambda_A)$ | $-2.385158 + 18.22971 i$ | $-28.12588 + 26.67761 i$ |
| $\mathcal{R}_{LC}^{(2)}(\lambda_A)$ | $0.4123777 + 22.64313 i$ | $-1.450073 + 7.396238 i$ |
| $\mathcal{R}^{(2)}(\lambda_B)$ | $115.9528 + 18.71704 i$ | $17.16557 - 102.3377 i$ |
| $\mathcal{R}_{LC}^{(2)}(\lambda_B)$ | $144.2892 - 3.600533 i$ | $33.14649 - 134.9655 i$ |
| $\mathcal{R}^{(2)}(\lambda_C)$ | $-36.87656 - 153.3540 i$ | $-26.92189 - 508.2138 i$ |
| $\mathcal{R}_{LC}^{(2)}(\lambda_C)$ | $-55.57522 - 190.2039 i$ | $76.13565 - 214.1456 i$ |

$$s_{12} = 157, s_{23} = -43, s_{34} = 83, s_{45} = 61, s_{15} = -37, \mu^2 = 100$$

Numerical evaluation performed using PentagonMl [Chicherin, Sotnikov 2009.07803]

Here, just for [comparison/reference](#): full vs LC

My point of view:

for a reliable assessment of impact of sub-LC,
need to look into a (statistically) large set of MC events

Our analytic results are publicly available at
<https://gitlab.msu.edu/vmante/aajamp-symb>

README.md

aajamp-symb

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aajamp-symb is a repository which provides analytic results for one-loop and two-loop QCD corrections to diphoton production in association with an extra jet in full colour.

If you use the results distributed with aajamp-symb in your research work, please cite [2105.04585](#) along with its external dependency [2009.07803](#).

External dependencies

The results distributed through this repository are in *Mathematica* readable format. Therefore, all the relevant symbolic manipulations and numerical evaluations can be carried out using *Mathematica*.

The evaluation of the transcendental functions relies on the *Mathematica* package [PentagonMl](#) by D. Chicherin and V. Sotnikov, so we strongly recommend to have this available. Further details on how to install and use the package can be found in the git repository [PentagonMl](#).

Structure of the repository

The main object of this repository are the results for the one- and two-loop finite remainders of the helicity amplitudes for diphoton plus jet production. They are located in `helicity_remainders/`. See `helicity_remainders/README.md` for further details on the actual content of the files and the naming scheme adopted.

The `aux/` directory contains auxiliary files needed for the symbolic manipulation and numerical evaluation of the results in `helicity_remainders/`. Further, we provide files with the explicit expressions for the Catani I_1 and I_2 operators for the processes at hand (see [hep-ph/9802439](#) and the supplemental material in [2105.04585](#)).

In `integral_families/` we list the choice of integral families we adopted in our calculation of the one- and two-loop helicity amplitudes. Files are in *yml* format.

Finally, in `examples/` we provide a few demos which show how to evaluate numerically the finite remainders of the helicity amplitudes, and how to construct the interference with the corresponding tree level. See `examples/README.md` for more details on each example file.

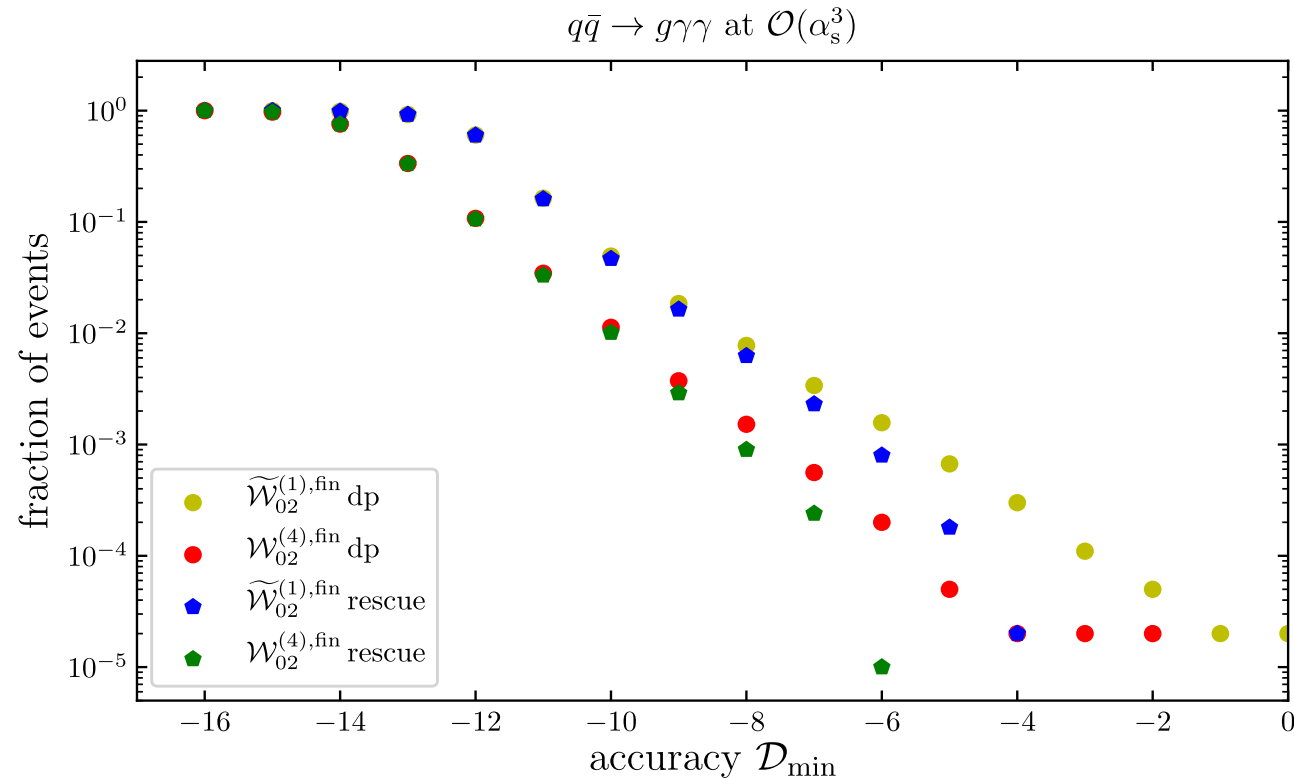
Numerical implementation (LC)

Our [LC results](#) implemented in [the public code aajamp](#), available @ <https://gitlab.msu.edu/vmante/aajamp>

Planning on implementing full-colour helicity amplitudes as well

It relies on the external library Pentagon Functions++ <https://gitlab.com/pentagon-functions/PentagonFunctions-cpp> [Chicherin, Sotnikov]

Performances: ~ 1.2 s/point.



Allows for evaluations in both double and quadruple precision arithmetic

We have implemented a (simple) [rescue system](#): automatic QP activation if

$$\mathcal{D}_i < \chi s_{12}$$

$$E_{\text{com}} = 1 \text{ TeV}, \quad p_{\text{T},g} > 30 \text{ GeV},$$

$$p_{\text{T},\gamma_1} > 30 \text{ GeV}, \quad p_{\text{T},\gamma_2} > 30 \text{ GeV}$$

Outlook

Amplitudes:

Tackle complexity coming from non-planar topologies: our [method can be applied to any massless 2-loop 5-point amplitude](#)

all relevant technology now in place (arguably/partly also for IBPs [\[Guan, Liu, Ma 1912.09294, Bendle et al 2104.06866\]](#))

[Physical projectors](#) + [systematic use of Multivariate Partial Fraction Decomposition](#):

we expect this to be beneficial for a wider class of [multiscale processes](#): e.g. Vjj , VVj , $t\bar{t}H$

Cross sections (pheno):

First pheno studies on $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma j$ through NNLO QCD in LC [\[Chawdhry et al 2105.06940\]](#) (using [STRIPPER](#)).
Desirable an independent calculation, including all colour structures.

Various alternative subtraction schemes can deal with NNLO $\gamma\gamma j$ production: e.g.
N-jettiness, Antenna Subtraction, [Nested Soft Collinear Subtraction](#)

All relevant amplitudes for $pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma @ N^3\text{LO QCD}$ now available:

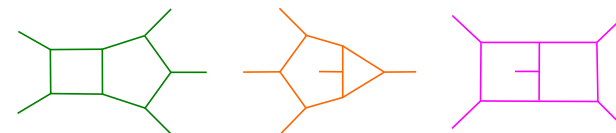
approaching the [frontier of fixed-order collider pheno](#)

Summary

- Computation of higher-order QCD corrections crucial for state-of-the-art collider pheno studies

Among many important contributions: multi-loop, multi-leg amplitudes play a special role and often are the bottleneck

- More generally: amplitudes are an extremely fascinating subject on its own
- We are witnessing dramatic progress in the computation of 2->3 NNLO QCD amplitudes and. New results available every month! Triggered first differential results for 2->3 in LC.



- I presented the [NNLO QCD corrections to diphoton + jet amplitudes in full colour](#). Focus on amplitudes with a fermionic pair

Analytic results are publicly available.

First time a massless 5-pt 2-loop amplitude computed exactly for all helicity configurations

- Made it possible thanks to [very recent advances](#):

physical [projectors](#), [pentagon functions](#), IBP reduction, [multivariate partial fraction](#) decomposition

- Main focus of this talk: how to go about [algebraic complexity](#) and how to [reduce and tame it](#).

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Some more technical remarks/ideas:

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Backup

Integral families

| Prop. den. | Family A | Family B |
|------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| D_1 | k_1^2 | k_1^2 |
| D_2 | $(k_1 + p_1)^2$ | $(k_1 - p_1)^2$ |
| D_3 | $(k_1 + p_1 + p_2)^2$ | $(k_1 - p_1 - p_2)^2$ |
| D_4 | $(k_1 + p_1 + p_2 + p_3)^2$ | $(k_1 - p_1 - p_2 - p_3)^2$ |
| D_5 | k_2^2 | k_2^2 |
| D_6 | $(k_2 + p_1 + p_2 + p_3)^2$ | $(k_2 - p_1 - p_2 - p_3 - p_4)^2$ |
| D_7 | $(k_2 + p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4)^2$ | $(k_1 - k_2)^2$ |
| D_8 | $(k_1 - k_2)^2$ | $(k_1 - k_2 + p_4)^2$ |
| D_9 | $(k_1 + p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4)^2$ | $(k_2 - p_1)^2$ |
| D_{10} | $(k_2 + p_1)^2$ | $(k_2 - p_1 - p_2)^2$ |
| D_{11} | $(k_2 + p_1 + p_2)^2$ | $(k_2 - p_1 - p_2 - p_3)^2$ |

TC/DP can be obtained from TB as:

$$TC = TB \times \{2, 3, 5\} + \{k_2 \rightarrow k_1 + p_1 + p_3, k_1 \rightarrow p_1 + k_2\}$$

MultivariateApart, example

Demo on PF decomposition with Multivariate Apart

```
In[ ]:= Get[HomeDirectory[] <> "/hep_tools/MultivariateApart.wl"]
```

```
MultivariateApart -- Multivariate partial fractions. By Matthias Heller (maheller@students.uni-mainz.de) and Andreas von Manteuffel (vmante@
```

Univariate PF

```
In[ ]:= fx = (x^2 + 3 x - 2) / (x^2 (x - 1) (x + 1)^2);
```

```
Apart[fx]
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1 / (2 (-1 + x)) + 2 / (x^2) + 5 / (x (1 + x)^2) + 9 / (2 (1 + x))
```

Multivariate PF

Spurious poles

```
In[ ]:= fxy = (2 x + y) / (y (x - y) (x + y));
```

```
Apart[fxy]
```

```
Out[ ]:= 2 / (x y) - 3 / (2 x (-x + y)) - 1 / (2 x (x + y))
```

```
In[ ]:= Apart[fxy, x] (* Treat y as constant: no spurious poles *)
Apart[fxy, y] (* Treat x as constant: introduce spurious poles *)
```

```
Out[ ]:= 3 / (2 (x - y) y) + 1 / (2 y (x + y))
```

```
Out[ ]:= 2 / (x y) - 3 / (2 x (-x + y)) - 1 / (2 x (x + y))
```

Employ a multivariate partial fraction decomposition

```
In[ ]:= MultivariateApart[fxy]
```

```
Out[ ]:= 3 / (2 (x - y) y) + 1 / (2 y (x + y))
```

Unique representation when applied to terms in a sum (commutes with summation)

```
In[ ]:= gxy = 1 / (x y) + 1 / (2 x (x - y)) - 1 / (2 x (x + y));
```

```
(* The following GCD operation can be extremely expensive for large and complicated rational functions *)
```

```
gxy // Together
```

```
Out[ ]:= x / ((x - y) y (x + y))
```

```
In[ ]:= (* We could try to apply the PF to each term individually and expand the sum, but with univariate PF:
- different answers,
- spurious poles,
- cancellation not complete *)
```

```
Map[Apart[#, x] &, gxy] // Expand
```

```
Map[Apart[#, y] &, gxy] // Expand
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1 / (2 (x - y) y) + 1 / (2 y (x + y))
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1 / (x y) - 1 / (2 x (-x + y)) - 1 / (2 x (x + y))
```

Multivariate Apart

```
In[ ]:= DenominatorFactors = {x, y, x - y, x + y};
```

```
q1s = {q1, q2, q3, q4};
```

```
DenominatorsToQs = {1/x -> q1, 1/y -> q2, 1/(x - y) -> q3, 1/(x + y) -> q4};
```

```
QsToDenominators = Map[Reverse, DenominatorsToQs];
```

```
Gxy = gxy /. DenominatorsToQs
```

```
Out[ ]:= q1 q2 + (q1 q3) / 2 - (q1 q4) / 2
```

Ordering choice 1

```
In[ ]:= ord = {{q4}, {q3}, {q2}, {q1}, {x, y}};
```

```
GB = ApartBasis[DenominatorFactors, q1s, ord];
```

```
Map[ApartReduce[#, GB, ord] &, Gxy] /. QsToDenominators // Expand
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1 / (2 x (x - y)) + 1 / (x y) - 1 / (2 x (x + y))
```

Ordering Choice 2

```
In[ ]:= ord = {{q1}, {q2}, {q3}, {q4}, {x, y}};
```

```
GB = ApartBasis[DenominatorFactors, q1s, ord];
```

```
Map[ApartReduce[#, GB, ord] &, Gxy] /. QsToDenominators // Expand
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1 / ((x - y) (x + y)) + 1 / (y (x + y))
```