

# Series expansion of multivariate hypergeometric functions about its parameters

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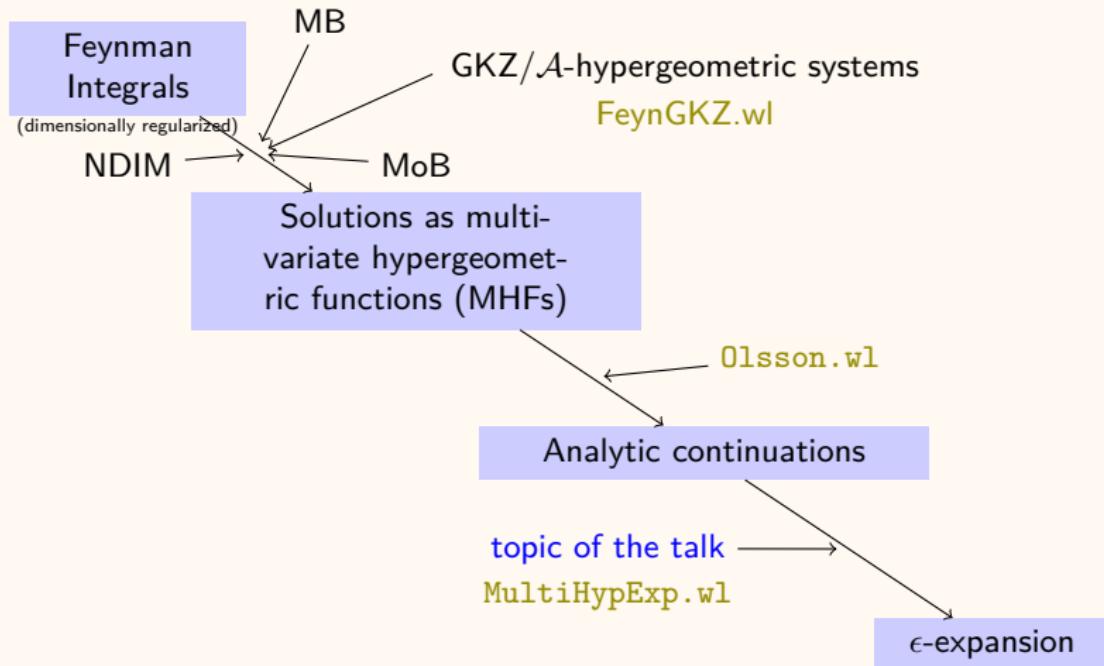
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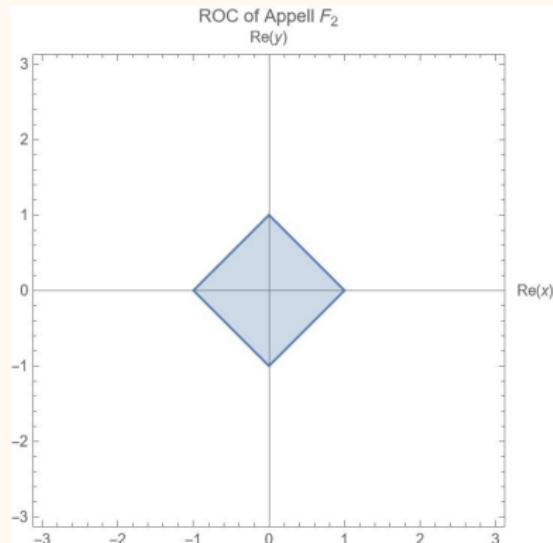
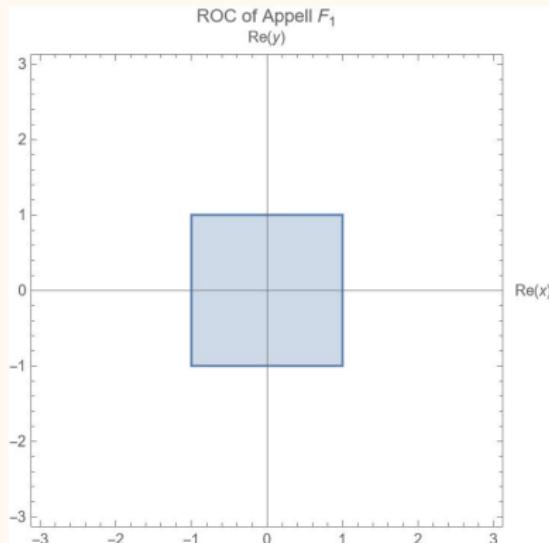


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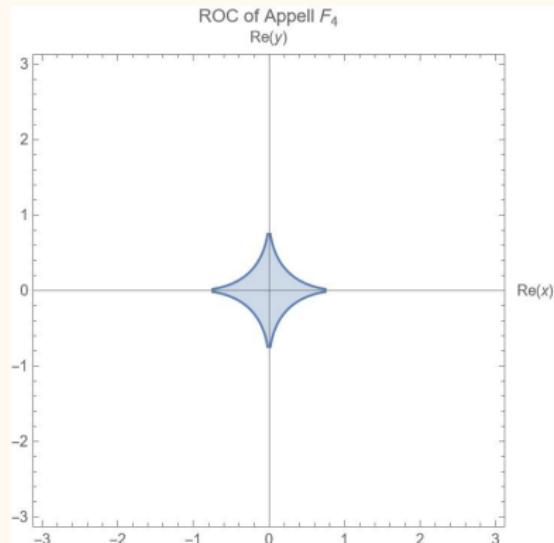
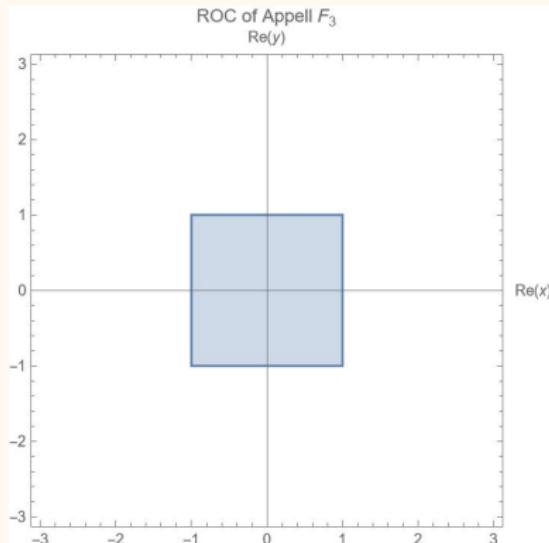
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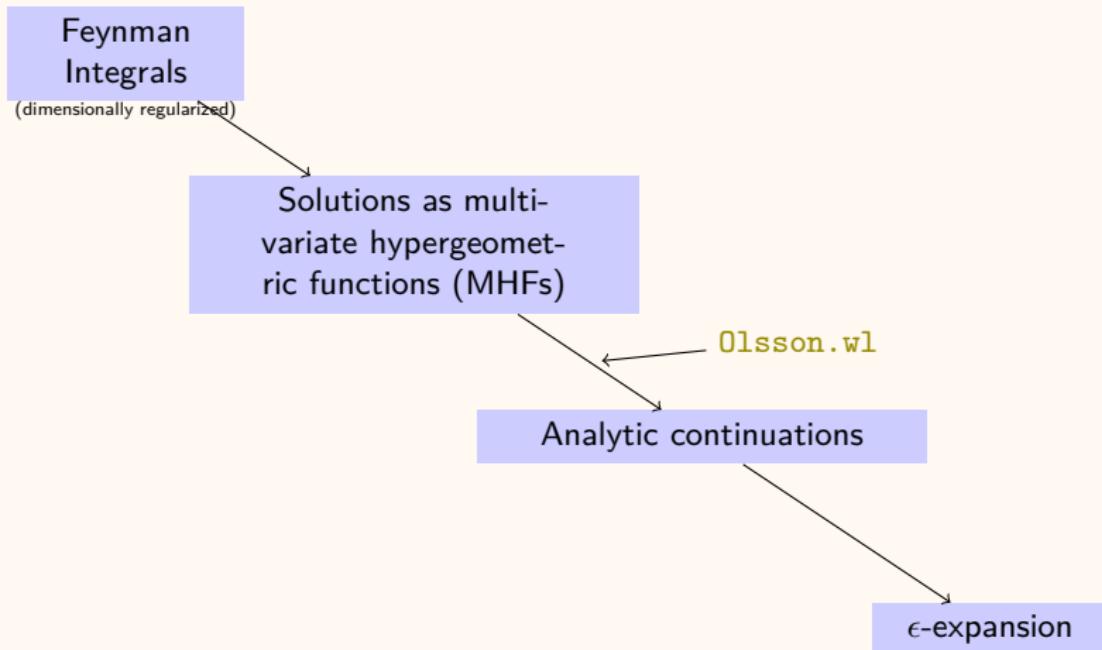


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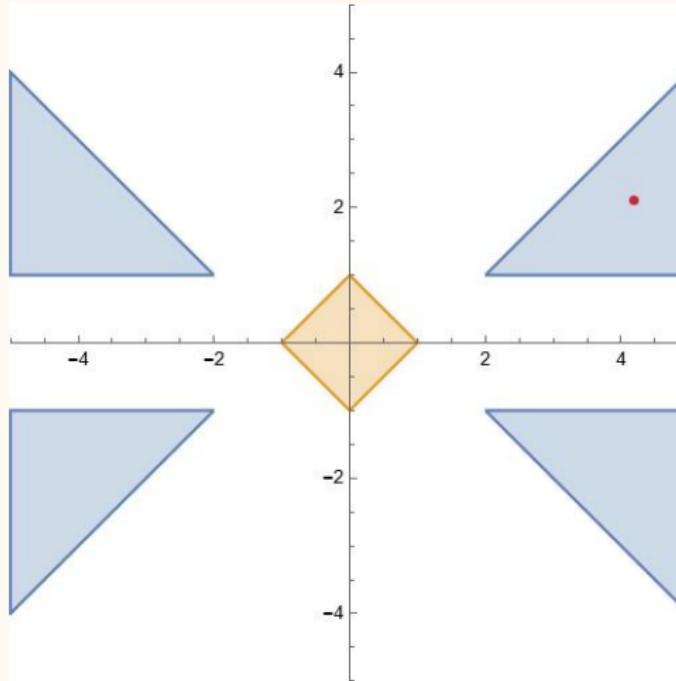


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Appell  $F_2$



**Figure:** The defining region of convergence of Appell  $F_2$  (in orange), and an analytic continuation of the same function that contains the red point (in blue) are plotted in real  $x$ - $y$  plane

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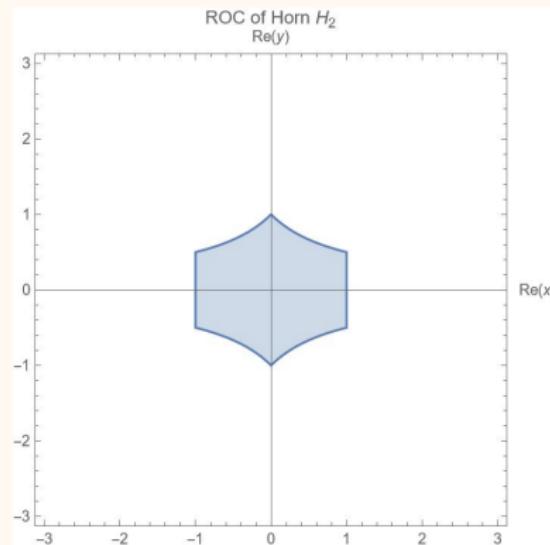
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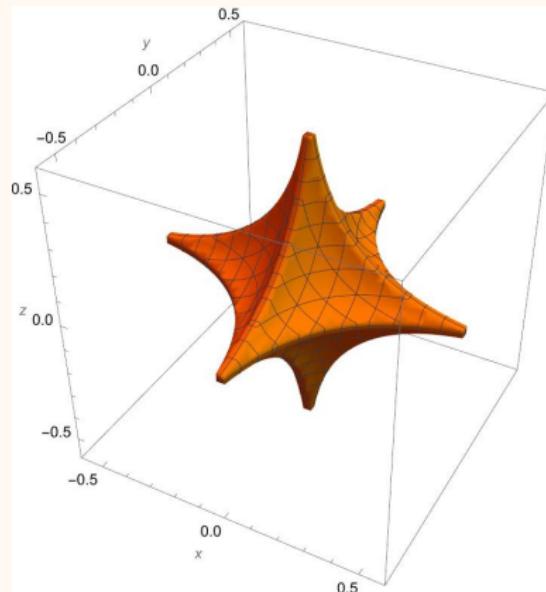
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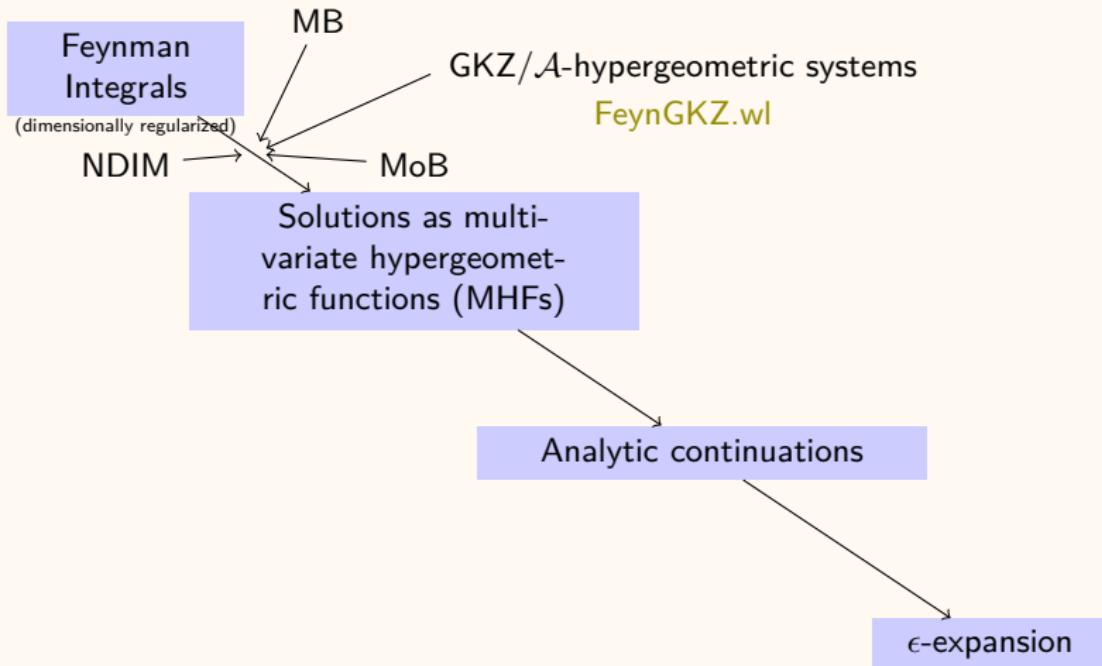
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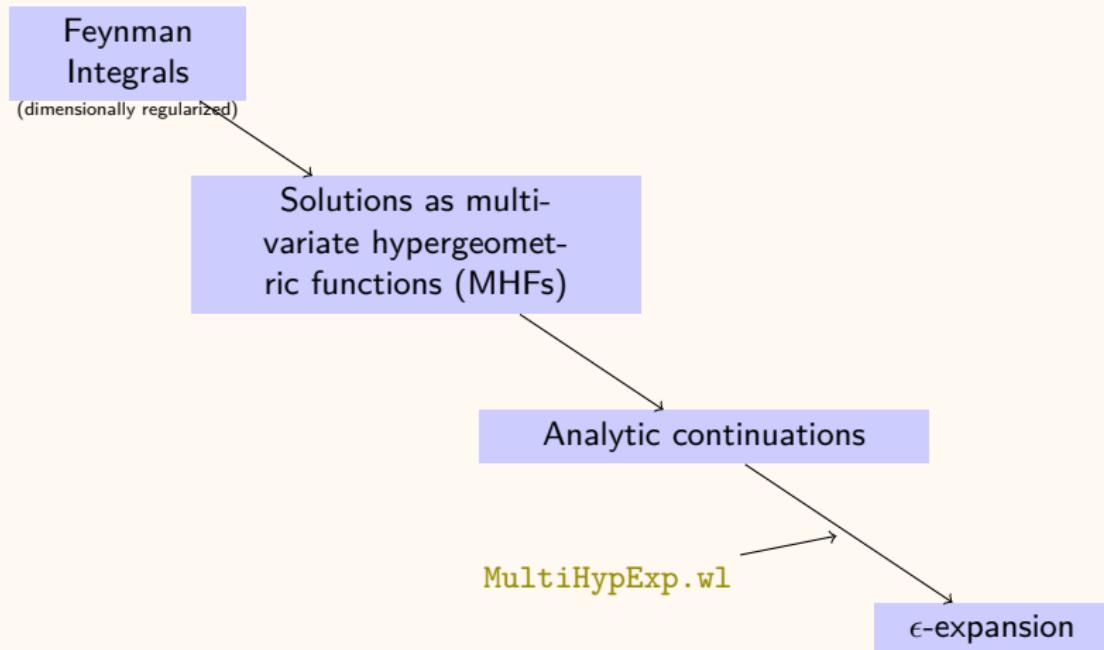
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    - ▶ XSummer ([Moch et. al. \[5\]](#))
    - ▶ nestedsums ([Weinzierl \[6, 7\]](#))
  - ▶ **Numerical :** NumExp ([Huang et. al. \[8\]](#))

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- ▶ **Step 3:** If any of the Pochhammer parameter of  $F(\epsilon)$  is *singular* then find a new function ( $G(\epsilon)$ ) by replacing

*singular* Pochhammer  $\longrightarrow$  non-*singular* Pochhammer

- ▶ **Step 4:** Relate them using a differential operator ( $H$ )

$$F(\epsilon) = H(\epsilon) \bullet G(\epsilon)$$

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- ▶ Let

$$P_i = \frac{A(\mathbf{m} + \mathbf{e}_i)}{A(\mathbf{m})} = \frac{g_i(\mathbf{m})}{h_i(\mathbf{m})} \quad , \quad i = 1, \dots, r$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{e}_i$  is unit vector with 1 in its  $i$ -th entry
- ▶ The operators annihilate  $F(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x})$

$$L_i = \left[ h_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \frac{1}{x_i} - g_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right]$$

- ▶ where  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = \{\theta_1, \dots, \theta_r\}$  is a vector containing Euler operators  $\theta_i = x_i \partial_{x_i}$

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- ▶ The Kampé de Fériet function :

$$\text{KdF}_{2:0;1}^{2:1;2} \left[ \begin{matrix} a_1, a_2 : b ; c_1, c_2 \\ d_1, d_2 : - ; e \end{matrix} \middle| x, y \right] = \sum_{m,n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_1)_{m+n} (a_2)_{m+n} (b)_m (c_1)_n (c_2)_n x^m y^n}{(d_1)_{m+n} (d_2)_{m+n} (e)_n m! n!}$$

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In [10], the series expansion coefficients are expressed in terms of multi-summation fold MHF with same domain of convergence

**Advantage :**

- ▶ The series expansion can be obtained around any values of Pochhammer parameters

**Disadvantages :**

- ▶ Valid for certain domain of convergence
- ▶ MHF with higher summation fold are slow for numerical evaluation

Series expansion around integer values of Pochhammer parameters of most of the functions can be expressed in terms of MPLs



## Mathematica Package

MultiHypExp

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Available at GitHub [11]

Dependencies :

- ▶ RISC‘HolonomicFunctions ([Koutschan \[12, 13\]](#)) : To find the PDE associated with the given MHF and to form the Pfaff system
- ▶ HYPERDIRE ([Bytev et.al. \[14, 15, 16\]](#)) : For step up/down operations
- ▶ CANONICA ([Meyer \[17\]](#)) : To bring the Pfaff system into canonical form
- ▶ PolyLogTools ([Duhr et. al. \[18\]](#)) : To handle MPLs

## Mathematica Package

### MultiHypExp

The package is able to expand the following series

- ▶ **One variable** :  ${}_pF_{p-1}$
- ▶ **Two variables** : Appell  $F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4$ , Horn  $G_1, G_2, G_3, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_6$  and  $H_7$  and certain KdF functions
- ▶ **Three variables** : Lauricella Saran  $F_A, F_B, F_D, F_K, F_M, F_N$  and  $F_S$
- ▶ Apart from Appell  $F_1, F_2, F_3$  and Horn  $H_2$ , other Appell-Horn series are expanded using their relation to the former functions
- ▶ Series expansion of Appell  $F_4$  and Horn  $H_1$  is possible with certain restriction on the Pochhammer parameters

## MultiHypExp

Commands for one variable

To obtain the series expansion  ${}_2F_1(\epsilon, -\epsilon; \epsilon - 1; x)$

```
In[1]:= SeriesExpand[{{e, -e}, {e - 1}}, {x}, e, 3]
Out[1]=
1 + (-x/(-1+x)) + G[1, x] e + (-x/(-1+x)) - (x G[1, x])
/(-1+x) + G[1, 1, x] e^2 + O[e]^3
```

Alternatively,

```
In[2]:= SeriesExpand[{n}, (Pochhammer[e, n] Pochhammer[-e, n] x^n)
/(Pochhammer[e-1, n] n!), {x}, e, 3]
```

yields the same result.

## MultiHypExp

Commands for bi- and tri-variate HS

```
In[3]:= SeriesExpand[F2,{1,1,e,1+e,1-e},{x,y},e,3]
```

```
Out[3]=
```

$$\begin{aligned} & -(1/(-1+x)) + ((-2 G[1,x] + G[1,y] + G[1-y,x]) e)/(-1+x) \\ & +(1/(-1+x))(2 G[1,x] G[1,y] - 2 G[1,y] G[1-y,x] \\ & + 2 G[0,1,x] + G[0,1,y] - G[0,1-y,x] - 4 G[1,1,x] - 2 G[1,1,y] \\ & + 2 G[1,1-y,x] + 2 G[1-y,1,x] - G[1-y,1-y,x]) e^2 + O[e]^3 \end{aligned}$$

yields the first four series expansion coefficients of Appell  
 $F_2(1, 1, e; 1 + e, 1 - e; x, y)$  with respect to  $e$  in terms of MPLs.

```
In[4]:= SeriesExpand[{m,n}, exp, {x, y}, e, 4]
```

`exp` must be a series presentation of a MHF with summation indices `m` and `n`.

## MultiHypExp

Commands for obtaining reduction formulae

To find reduction formulae of MHF

In[5]:= `ReduceFunction[F2,{3,2,1,3,2},{x,y}]`

Out[5]=

$$\frac{1}{((-1+x) \ x \ (-1+x+y))} - \frac{G[1,x]}{(x^2 \ y)} + \frac{G[1-y,x]}{(x^2 \ y)}$$

In terms of logarithms

$$F_2(3, 2, 1; 3, 2; x, y) = -\frac{\log(1-x)}{x^2 y} + \frac{\log\left(1 - \frac{x}{1-y}\right)}{x^2 y} + \frac{1}{(x-1)x(x+y-1)}$$

This command can find reduction formulae of Appell  $F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4$  and Lauricella-Saran  $F_D^{(3)}$  and  $F_S^{(3)}$

# MultiHypExp

## Conclusions

- ▶ Applicable when the parameter  $\epsilon$  appears linearly inside the Pochhammer symbols
- ▶ Series coefficients are not valid at the singular curves of MHF
- ▶ The package can find the expansion of most of the MHF around integer values of Pochhammer parameters
- ▶ It can find at most first 6 coefficients
- ▶ Takes 3-4 hours to find series expansion of a three variable HF in an ordinary personal computer

Thank You

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## Backup Slides

## Multiple Polylogarithms

- ▶ Multiple polylogarithms ;

$$G(a_1, \dots, a_n; z) = \int_0^z \frac{dt}{t - a_1} G(a_2, \dots, a_n; t)$$

with  $G(z) = 1$  and  $a_i$  and  $z$  are complex-valued variables.

- ▶ The vector  $\vec{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is called the weight vector, and its length is called the weight.
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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Li}_{m_1, \dots, m_k}(z_1, \dots, z_k) &= \sum_{0 < n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_k} \frac{z_1^{n_1} z_2^{n_2} \cdots z_k^{n_k}}{n_1^{m_1} n_2^{m_2} \cdots n_k^{m_k}} \\ &= \sum_{n_k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z_k^{n_k}}{n_k^{m_k}} \sum_{n_{k-1}=1}^{n_k-1} \cdots \sum_{n_1=1}^{n_2-1} \frac{z_1^{n_1}}{n_1^{m_1}}, \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ These are related

$$G(\vec{0}_{m_1-1}, a_1, \dots, \vec{0}_{m_k-1}, a_k; z) = (-1)^k \text{Li}_{m_k, \dots, m_1}\left(\frac{a_{k-1}}{a_k}, \dots, \frac{a_1}{a_2}, \frac{z}{a_1}\right)$$

$$G(\vec{a}_n; z) = \frac{1}{n!} \log^n\left(1 - \frac{z}{a}\right),$$

$$G(\vec{0}_{n-1}, a; z) = -\text{Li}_n\left(\frac{z}{a}\right),$$

## Taylor Expansion

► **Polygamma function** :  $\psi^{(n)}(a) = \frac{d^{n+1}}{da^{n+1}} \ln \Gamma(a)$

►  $\psi^{(0)}(a) = \frac{d}{da} \ln \Gamma(a) = \frac{\Gamma'(a)}{\Gamma(a)}$

► **Pochhammer derivative**:

$$\frac{d(a)_n}{da} = (a)_n \left( \psi^{(0)}(a+n) - \psi^{(0)}(a) \right) = (a)_n \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{a+k} = (a)_n \frac{1}{a} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(a)_k}{(a+1)_k}$$

► Consider a MHF :  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B(n) \frac{x^n}{n!} (a)_n$

► Derivative wrt  $a$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B(n) \frac{x^n}{n!} \frac{d}{da} (a)_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B(n) \frac{x^n}{n!} (a)_n \frac{1}{a} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(a)_k}{(a+1)_k}$$

► shifting  $n \rightarrow n + 1$ ,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B(n) \frac{x^n}{n!} \frac{d}{da} (a)_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B(n+1) \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} (a)_{n+1} \frac{1}{a} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(a)_k}{(a+1)_k}$$

## Taylor Expansion

- ▶ Reshuffling the summation indices

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n A(n, k) \rightarrow \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} A(n+k, k)$$

- ▶ One gets

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B(n) \frac{x^n}{n!} \frac{d}{da}(a)_n &= \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} B(n+k+1) \frac{x^{n+k+1}}{(n+k+1)!} (a)_{n+k+1} \frac{1}{a} \frac{(a)_k}{(a+1)_k} \\ &= x \sum_{n,k=0}^{\infty} B(n+k+1) \frac{(1)_k (1)_n (a)_k (a+1)_{k+n}}{(a+1)_k (2)_{k+n}} \frac{x^n x^k}{k! n!} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Thus, Pochhammer derivative introduces one extra summation index
- ▶ The domain of convergence remains same