3 loops & 4 cuts: towards N3LO RRR antenna functions



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Why precision?

- Precision physics as
 - test of the Standard model
 - gate to new physics
- High-Lumi upgrade of LHC :
 - theory and experiments must have comparable uncertainties
 - needed: %-level accuracy:



GAULD for NEW SCIENTIS

perturbation theory @ NNLO and often N3LO

Hard Scattering

Looking @ QCD corrections:

$$\mathrm{d}\sigma = \mathrm{d}\sigma_{LO} + \alpha_S \,\mathrm{d}\sigma_N$$

Perturbative series in the strong coupling







 $_{NLO} + \alpha_S^2 d\sigma_{NNLO} + \alpha_S^3 d\sigma_{N3LO} + \dots$

Beyond LO: contributions from diagrams with increasing loops and legs

looking @ m-jets cross section:



$$= \int_{d\Phi_{m}} d\sigma_{Born}$$

$$d\sigma_{NLO}^{R} + \int_{d\Phi_{m}} d\sigma_{NLO}^{V}$$

$$d\sigma_{NNLO}^{RR} + \int_{d\Phi_{m}} d\sigma_{NLO}^{RV} + \int_{d\sigma_{NNLO}} d\sigma_{NNLO}^{VV}$$

$$\int_{\mathrm{d}\Phi_{m+2}} \mathrm{d}\sigma_{N3LO}^{RRV} + \int_{\mathrm{d}\Phi_{m+1}} \mathrm{d}\sigma_{N3LO}^{RVV} + \int_{\mathrm{d}\Phi_m} \mathrm{d}\sigma_{N3LO}^{VVV}$$

 $J_{d}\Phi_{m}$

KLN thm

- Separate pieces are IR-divergent:
 - **Explicit** poles in ϵ after loop integration
 - Implicit divergencies from real radiation



- Kinoshita (1962); Lee, Nauenberg (1964)
- finiteness when summing over all unresolved configurations

• soft or collinear partons

How do we deal with these divergencies?

$$\mathrm{d}\sigma_{NLO} = \int_{\mathrm{d}\Phi_{m+1}} \mathrm{d}\sigma_{NLO}^{R} + \int_{\mathrm{d}\Phi_{m}}$$

idea: Subtraction Schemes

$$d\sigma_{NLO} = \int_{d\Phi_{m+1}} \left(d\sigma_{NLO}^R - d\sigma_N^S - d\sigma_N^S \right)$$
• finite

- Add and subtract the same quantity $d\sigma^S$
 - Mimics singular behaviour in IR-limits of $\mathrm{d}\sigma^V,\mathrm{d}\sigma^R$
 - Makes the integrals individually finite
 - Simple enough to be analytically integrated over $\mathrm{d}\Phi_1$





Antenna Subtraction scheme

Antenna functions

- Built from simple matrix elements
- Mimic the divergent behaviour in singular limits
- Can be easily integrated over phase space

Exploit factorisation of matrix elements in IR limits

[Gehrmann-De Ridder, Gehrmann, Glover (2007)]



R limit factorization $j \parallel i, j \parallel k, j$ soft

Final state hard radiators



Initial state hard radiators



Initial-final state hard radiators







Solved! :) [Chen, Jakubčík, Marcoli, Stagnitto '23]

Drell-Yan





Deep Inelastic Scattering

Antenna functions







NNLO initial-final antennae

 $Q^2 = 1$

NNLO phase-space integrals for exclusive DIS



kinematics

- $q_2^2 = -Q^2 < 0$
- $q_1^2 = 0$ 2 0 1 2 2
- $p_i^2 = 0$, i = 1,2,3

invariants



Phase space integral



Reduction to master integrals

Workflow





DE & canonical form







Reverse Unitarity

Anastasiou, Melnikov (2002)

 $I_{RV} = \int d\Phi_2 (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)} \left(q_1 + q_2 - \sum_{i=1}^2 p_i \right) \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \prod_i \frac{1}{D_j^{\alpha_j}}$ $I_{RR} = \int d\Phi_3 (2\pi)^d \delta^{(d)} \left(q_1 + q_2 - \sum_{i=1}^3 p_i \right) \prod_i \frac{1}{D_i^{\alpha_j}}$



Reduction to Master integrals

Reduction into a basis of linearly independent master integrals $\{G_i\} \subset \{I_i\}$ $I_j = \sum_{ik} C_{ik} G_k$

 $\{G_i\}$ = minimal linearly independent set

Feynman integrals in dimensional regularization obey linear relations, e.g. Integration By Parts identities + Lorentz Invariance ids, symmetry relations, ...

$$\int \left(\prod_{i=1}^{\ell} d^{\mathrm{D}} k_i\right) \frac{\partial}{\partial k_i^{\mu}} \left(\frac{v_j^{\mu}}{D_1^{a_1} \dots D_n^{a_n}}\right)$$

reduction as solution of a large and sparse system of identities



[Chetyrkin, Tkachov (1981), Laporta (2000)]

k

rational

coefficients

master

 $= 0, \qquad v^{\mu} = \begin{cases} p_i^{\mu} = \text{external} \\ k_i^{\mu} = \text{loop} \end{cases}$





DE for Feynman integrals

- IBP \rightarrow MI obeys first order differential equations $\partial_{\tau} \vec{G} = M \cdot \vec{G}$

$$\partial_{z}\vec{g} = \epsilon A \cdot \vec{g}$$

$$\stackrel{\epsilon\text{-dependence}}{\text{is factored out}} \vec{g}^{(k)} = \sum_{j=0}^{k} \int_{\gamma} \underbrace{\mathrm{d}\tilde{A} \cdot \ldots \cdot \mathrm{d}\tilde{A}}_{j} \cdot \vec{b}^{(k-j)}$$

Encodes the class of special functions needed for the solution

$$d\tilde{A} = \sum a_i d\log(\alpha_i)$$

• α_i letters

independent letters: alphabet

 $G(a_1,\ldots$



Magic transformation to new basis of MI $\{\vec{g}\}$: canonical form \rightarrow solution is "straightforward" [Henn (2013)]

Rational alphabet \rightarrow results expressed as MPLs

[Kummer (1840); Remiddi, Vermaseren (1999); Goncharov (2000)]

$$(a_n; t) \equiv \int_0^t \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x - a_1} G(a_2, \dots, a_n; x), \ \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, a_n \neq 0$$



NNLO calculation in a nutshell

RR



- 4 families, 9 MI
- 2 loops, 3 cut propagators
- DE in canonical form using FUCHSIA [Gituliar & Magerya (2017)]

$$I_{RV} = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{d} k_{1}}{(2\pi)^{d}} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{d} k_{2}}{(2\pi)^{d}} \frac{1}{\not D_{1}} \frac{1}{\not D_{2}} \prod_{i}$$



- 3 families, 6 MI
- 2 loops, 2 cut propagators
- DE in canonical form using FUCHSIA

Boundary Conditions

- Looking at $z \rightarrow 1$ soft limit, endpoint singularity
- Extract some relations from known behaviour of the integrals in the soft limit

$$I_i^{RR} \sim (1-z)^{n_i-2\epsilon} \sum_j c_j(\epsilon)(1-z)^j, \quad n_i \in \mathbb{Z}$$
$$I_i^{RV} \sim (1-z)^{m_i-2\epsilon} \sum_j d_j(\epsilon)(1-z)^j + (1-z)^{l_i-\epsilon} \sum_j e_j(\epsilon)(1-z)^j, \quad m_i, l_i \in \mathbb{Z}$$

- Extract the leading behavior of the MIs
- Rescaling the integrals w.r.t. their leading behavior \rightarrow regularity
- Imposing that in this limit the terms log(1 z) and poles in (1 z) vanish
- Relations between boundaries of different MIs

AANFlow [GF, Gehrmann, Schönwald (2024)]

Looking at $z \rightarrow 1$ soft limit, endpoint singularity

- Integral simplifies
- Allows to carry out this procedure analytically
- Add aux mass η^2 to chosen propagators: auxiliary family

• Derive DE with respect to the mass

$$\partial_{\eta^2} \vec{I}^{aux} = A_\eta \cdot \vec{I}^a$$

• Fix constants of integration in $\eta^2 \rightarrow \infty$ limit (easy!)

• "Flow" to $\eta^2 \rightarrow 0$ for physical solution:

- Based on the AMFlow algorithm but purely analytic [Liu, Ma (2022)]

$$I^{phys}(\epsilon, \vec{z}) \to I^{aux}(\epsilon, \vec{z}, \eta^2)$$

• limits in kinematical variable and η^2 need to commute

 $\mathcal{U}\mathcal{X}$

• Boundaries @ $\eta^2 \rightarrow \infty$ (large mass limit)



method of regions to extract the physical solution





Required families to be calculated for obtaining all the boundaries











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Getting to know the RRR families

Physical 4-cuts of the 3 loop inclusive DIS amplitude

$$I_{RRR} = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^d k_1}{(2\pi)^d} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^d k_2}{(2\pi)^d} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^d k_3}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{\not D_1} \frac{1}{\not D_2} \frac{1}{\not D_3} \frac{1}{\not D_4} \prod_j \frac{1}{D_j^{\alpha_j}}$$



• Few number of MI for each family \rightarrow 4 cuts

• Total: 1620 MIs (No symmetries between families included)

• DE matrix M is a function of $M(z, \epsilon)$

 \Rightarrow playground for automatic tools! eg LIBRA Lee (2020)]



Getting to a Canonical Basis (1): Balancing acts



- - residue matrix around poles

Strategy for multi loop calculations: exploit block triangular structure

Diagonal blocks



Getting to a Canonical Basis (2): good candidates

- **Baikov representation**

$$I = \int \left(\prod_{i=1}^{\ell} \mathrm{d}^d k_i\right) \frac{1}{z_1^{\nu_1} \cdots z_n^{\nu_n}} = K \int \mathrm{d}z_1 \cdots \mathrm{d}z_n \, B(\mathbf{z})^{\gamma} \, \frac{1}{z_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots z_n^{\alpha_n}}$$

- Numerator Ansatz $N(\vec{z})$
- Check candidates with constant leading singularity with DLogBasis
- Keep only the linearly independent candidates for a new basis

$$\int dz_1 \dots dz_n B^{\gamma} \frac{N(\vec{z})}{z_1^{\alpha_1} \dots z_n^{\alpha_n}}$$

Sectors with higher number of propagators (top sector (TS), Next-to-TS, NNTS)

[Wasser (2020)]





cut condition

Results

Canonical DE for all the families $\sqrt{}$

Letters:
$$\left\{ \frac{1}{z}, \frac{1}{1+z}, \frac{1}{1-z} \right\}$$

Boundary conditions

- Numerical evaluation with AMFlow @ 200 digits (~80% done...) & PSLQ
- Constraints from symmetry relations between the families
- Calculation of the amplitude \rightarrow which boundaries are actually needed
- Extend calculation to RVV and RRV layers **Outlook:** Ultimate goal: obtaining the full set of integrated initial-final antennae





Thank you for your attention!

