

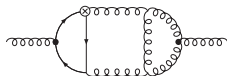
Symbolic Computation and its Applications, Maribor

Symbolic Summation and the Evaluation of 3-loop Feynman Integrals

Carsten Schneider
RISC, J. Kepler University Linz, Austria

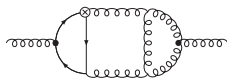
2. July 2010

Evaluation of Feynman Integrals



Feynman diagrams

Evaluation of Feynman Integrals



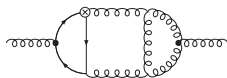
Feynman diagrams



$$\int \Phi(N, \epsilon, x) dx$$

Feynman integrals

Evaluation of Feynman Integrals



Feynman diagrams



$$\int \Phi(N, \epsilon, x) dx$$

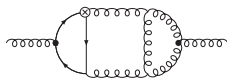
Feynman integrals

Reduction



multi-sums with
upper bound N

Evaluation of Feynman Integrals



Feynman diagrams



$$\int \Phi(N, \epsilon, x) dx$$

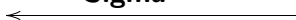
Feynman integrals

Reduction



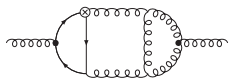
sum expressions
being processable by physicists

Sigma



multi-sums with
upper bound N

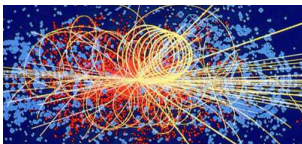
Evaluation of Feynman Integrals



Feynman diagrams

$$\int \Phi(N, \epsilon, x) dx$$

Feynman integrals



Reduction

sum expressions

being processable by physicists

Sigma

multi-sums with
upper bound N

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

where

$$S_1(N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{i} (= H_N)$$

Arose in the context of

I. Bierenbaum, J. Blümlein, and S. Klein, *Evaluating two-loop massive operator matrix elements with Mellin-Barnes integrals*. 2006

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^a f(N, k, j) = \text{▶ Sigma}$$

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^a f(N, k, j) = \text{Sigma}$$

FIND $g(j)$:

$$f(N, k, j) = g(j+1) - g(j)$$

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^a f(N, k, j) = \text{Sigma}$$

FIND $g(j)$:

$$f(N, k, j) = g(j+1) - g(j)$$

Sigma computes

$$g(j) = \frac{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)j!k!(j+k+N)! (S_1(j) - S_1(j+k) - S_1(j+N) + S_1(j+k+N))}{kN(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!(k+N+1)!}$$

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^a f(N, k, j) = \text{Sigma}$$

FIND $g(j)$:

$$f(N, k, j) = g(j+1) - g(j)$$

Summing the telescoping equation over j from 0 to a gives

$$\sum_{j=0}^a f(N, k, j) = g(a+1) - g(0)$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

with shift in j :

A difference field for the **summand**: A rational function field

$$\mathbb{F}$$

and a field automorphism $\sigma : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ defined by

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

with shift in j : **Elements from $\mathbb{Q}(N, k)$ are constants**

A difference field for the **summand**: A rational function field

$$\mathbb{F} := \mathbb{Q}(N, k)$$

and a field automorphism $\sigma : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ defined by

$$\sigma(\mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{c} \quad \forall \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Q}(N, k),$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

with shift in j : $\mathcal{S} j = j + 1$

A difference field for the **summand**: A rational function field

$$\mathbb{F} := \mathbb{Q}(N, k) (j)$$

and a field automorphism $\sigma : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ defined by

$$\sigma(c) = c \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{Q}(N, k),$$

$$\sigma(j) = j + 1,$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

with shift in j : $\mathcal{S} S_1(j) = S_1(j) + \frac{1}{j+1}$

A difference field for the **summand**: A rational function field

$$\mathbb{F} := \mathbb{Q}(N, k)(j)(h_1)$$

and a field automorphism $\sigma : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ defined by

$$\sigma(c) = c \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{Q}(N, k),$$

$$\sigma(j) = j + 1,$$

$$\sigma(h_1) = h_1 + \frac{1}{j+1},$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

with shift in j : $\mathcal{S} S_1(j+k) = S_1(j+k) + \frac{1}{j+k+1}$

A difference field for the **summand**: A rational function field

$$\mathbb{F} := \mathbb{Q}(N, k)(j)(h_1)(h_2)$$

and a field automorphism $\sigma : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ defined by

$$\sigma(c) = c \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{Q}(N, k),$$

$$\sigma(j) = j + 1,$$

$$\sigma(h_1) = h_1 + \frac{1}{j+1},$$

$$\sigma(h_2) = h_2 + \frac{1}{j+k+1},$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

with shift in j : $\mathcal{S} S_1(j+N) = S_1(j+N) + \frac{1}{j+N+1}$

A difference field for the **summand**: A rational function field

$$\mathbb{F} := \mathbb{Q}(N, k) \langle j \rangle \langle h_1 \rangle \langle h_2 \rangle \langle h_3 \rangle$$

and a field automorphism $\sigma : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ defined by

$$\sigma(c) = c \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{Q}(N, k),$$

$$\sigma(j) = j + 1, \quad \sigma(h_3) = h_3 + \frac{1}{j+N+1},$$

$$\sigma(h_1) = h_1 + \frac{1}{j+1},$$

$$\sigma(h_2) = h_2 + \frac{1}{j+k+1},$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)$$

$$(j+1)(j+k+N+1)$$

with shift in j : $\mathcal{S} S_1(j+N+k) = S_1(j+N+k) + \frac{1}{j+N+k+1}$

A difference field for the **summand**: A rational function field

$$\mathbb{F} := \mathbb{Q}(N, k) (j) (h_1) (h_2) (h_3) (h_4)$$

and a field automorphism $\sigma : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ defined by

$$\sigma(c) = c \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{Q}(N, k),$$

$$\sigma(j) = j + 1,$$

$$\sigma(h_3) = h_3 + \frac{1}{j+N+1},$$

$$\sigma(h_1) = h_1 + \frac{1}{j+1},$$

$$\sigma(h_4) = h_4 + \frac{1}{j+N+k+1},$$

$$\sigma(h_2) = h_2 + \frac{1}{j+k+1},$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)$$

$$(j+1)(j+k+N+1)$$

with shift in j : $\mathcal{S} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} = \frac{(j+2)(j+k+N+2)}{(j+k+2)(j+N+2)} \cdot \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}$

A difference field for the **summand**: A rational function field

$$\mathbb{F} := \mathbb{Q}(N, k) (j) (h_1) (h_2) (h_3) (h_4) (p)$$

and a field automorphism $\sigma : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$ defined by

Karr's $\Pi\Sigma$ -fields (1981)

$$\sigma(c) = c \quad \forall c \in \mathbb{Q}(N, k),$$

$$\sigma(j) = j + 1,$$

$$\sigma(h_3) = h_3 + \frac{1}{j + N + 1},$$

$$\sigma(h_1) = h_1 + \frac{1}{j + 1},$$

$$\sigma(h_4) = h_4 + \frac{1}{j + N + k + 1},$$

$$\sigma(h_2) = h_2 + \frac{1}{j + k + 1},$$

$$\sigma(p) = \frac{(j+2)(j+k+N+2)}{(j+k+2)(j+N+2)} p.$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

FIND $g(j)$:

$$f(j) = g(j+1) - g(j)$$



GIVEN $f := p \times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - h_1 + h_2 + h_3 - h_4}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$

FIND $g \in \mathbb{F}$:

$$f = \sigma(g) - g$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

FIND $g(j)$:

$$f(j) = g(j+1) - g(j)$$



GIVEN $f := p \times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - h_1 + h_2 + h_3 - h_4}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$

FIND $g \in \mathbb{F}$:

$$f = \sigma(g) - g$$

↓ Sigma

$$g = p \times \frac{(h_1 - h_2 - h_3 + h_4)(j+k+1)(j+N+1)}{(j+1)kN(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$f(j) = \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!} \times$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

FIND $g(j)$:

$$f(j) = g(j+1) - g(j)$$



GIVEN $f := p \times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - h_1 + h_2 + h_3 - h_4}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$

FIND $g \in \mathbb{F}$:

$$f = \sigma(g) - g$$

$$h_1 \equiv S_1(j)$$

$$h_2 \equiv S_1(j+k)$$

$$\vdots$$

↓ Sigma

$$g = p \times \frac{(h_1 - h_2 - h_3 + h_4)(j+k+1)(j+N+1)}{(j+1)kN(j+k+N+1)}$$

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^a f(N, k, j) = \frac{(a+1)!(k-1)!(a+k+N+1)!(S_1(a) - S_1(a+k) - S_1(a+N) + S_1(a+k+N))}{N(a+k+1)!(a+N+1)!(k+N+1)!}$$

$$+ \underbrace{\frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{kN(k+N+1)N!} + \frac{(2a+k+N+2)ak!(a+k+N)!}{(a+k+1)(a+N+1)(a+k+1)!(a+N+1)!(k+N+1)!}}_{a \rightarrow \infty}$$

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f(N, k, j) = \frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{kN(k+N+1)N!}$$

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^a \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f(N, k, j) = \sum_{k=1}^a \frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{kN(k+N+1)N!}$$

Telescoping

GIVEN

$$\text{SUM}(N) := \sum_{k=1}^a \frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{\underbrace{kN(k+N+1)N!}_{=: f(N, k)}}.$$

FIND $g(N, k)$:

$$\boxed{g(N, k+1) - g(N, k)} = \boxed{f(N, k)}$$

for all $0 \leq k \leq N$ and all $N \geq 0$.no solution 

Zeilberger's creative telescoping paradigm

GIVEN

$$\text{SUM}(N) := \sum_{k=1}^a \underbrace{\frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{kN(k+N+1)N!}}_{=: f(N, k)}.$$

FIND $g(N, k)$ and $c_0(N), c_1(N)$:

$$\boxed{g(N, k+1) - g(N, k)} = \boxed{c_0(N)f(N, k) + c_1(N)f(N+1, k)}$$

for all $0 \leq k \leq N$ and all $N \geq 0$.

Zeilberger's creative telescoping paradigm

GIVEN

$$\text{SUM}(N) := \sum_{k=1}^a \underbrace{\frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{kN(k+N+1)N!}}_{=: f(N, k)}.$$

FIND $g(N, k)$ and $c_0(N), c_1(N)$:

$$\boxed{g(N, k+1) - g(N, k)} = \boxed{c_0(N)f(N, k) + c_1(N)f(N+1, k)}$$

for all $0 \leq k \leq N$ and all $N \geq 0$.

Sigma computes: $c_0(N) = -N, c_1(N) = (N+1)(N+2)$ and

$$g(N, k) = \frac{kS_1(k) + (-N-1)S_1(N) - kS_1(k+N) - 2}{(k+N+1)N!(N+1)^2}$$

Zeilberger's creative telescoping paradigm

GIVEN

$$\text{SUM}(N) := \sum_{k=1}^a \underbrace{\frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{kN(k+N+1)N!}}_{=: f(N, k)}.$$

FIND $g(N, k)$ and $c_0(N), c_1(N)$:

$$\boxed{g(N, k+1) - g(N, k)} = \boxed{c_0(N)f(N, k) + c_1(N)f(N+1, k)}$$

for all $0 \leq k \leq N$ and all $N \geq 0$.

Summing this equation over k from 0 to a gives:

$$\boxed{g(N, a+1) - g(N, 0)} = \boxed{c_0(N) \text{SUM}(N) + c_1(N) \text{SUM}(N+1)}$$

Zeilberger's creative telescoping paradigm

GIVEN

$$\text{SUM}(N) := \sum_{k=1}^a \underbrace{\frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{kN(k+N+1)N!}}_{=: f(N, k)}.$$

FIND $g(N, k)$ and $c_0(N), c_1(N)$:

$$\boxed{g(N, k+1) - g(N, k)} = \boxed{c_0(N)f(N, k) + c_1(N)f(N+1, k)}$$

for all $0 \leq k \leq N$ and all $N \geq 0$.Summing this equation over k from 0 to a gives:

Sigma

$$\begin{aligned} \boxed{g(N, a+1) - g(N, 0)} &= \boxed{c_0(N) \text{SUM}(N) + c_1(N) \text{SUM}(N+1)} \\ \parallel & \parallel \\ \frac{(a+1)(S_1(a) + S_1(N) - S_1(a+N))}{(N+1)^2(a+N+2)N!} & - N \text{SUM}(N) + (1+N)(2+N) \text{SUM}(N+1) \\ + \frac{a(a+1)}{(N+1)^3(a+N+1)(a+N+2)N!} & \end{aligned}$$

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f(N, k, j) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{kN(k+N+1)N!}$$

$$= \frac{S_1(N)^2 + S_2(N)}{2N(N+1)!}$$

where

$$S_2(N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{i^2}$$

1. Creative telescoping (for the special case of hypergeometric terms see Zeilberger's algorithm (1991))

GIVEN a **definite** sum

$$S(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n f(n, k);$$

$f(n, k)$: indefinite nested product-sum in k ;
 n : extra parameter

FIND a **recurrence** for $S(n)$

1. Creative telescoping (for the special case of hypergeometric terms see Zeilberger's algorithm (1991))

GIVEN a **definite** sum

$$S(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n f(n, k);$$

$f(n, k)$: indefinite nested product-sum in k ;
 n : extra parameter

FIND a **recurrence** for $S(n)$

2. Recurrence solving

GIVEN a recurrence

$$a_0(n), \dots, a_d(n), h(n):$$

indefinite nested product-sum expressions.

$$a_0(n)S(n) + \dots + a_d(n)S(n+d) = h(n);$$

FIND **all solutions** expressible by indefinite nested products and sums

(Nörlund 24, Petkovšek 92, Abramov/Petkovšek 94, Hendriks/Singer 99/Sigma 01)

1. Creative telescoping (for the special case of hypergeometric terms see Zeilberger's algorithm (1991))

GIVEN a **definite** sum

$$S(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n f(n, k);$$

$f(n, k)$: indefinite nested product-sum in k ;
 n : extra parameter

FIND a **recurrence** for $S(n)$

2. Recurrence solving

GIVEN a recurrence

$$a_0(n), \dots, a_d(n), h(n):$$

indefinite nested product-sum expressions.

$$a_0(n)S(n) + \dots + a_d(n)S(n+d) = h(n);$$

FIND **all solutions** expressible by indefinite nested products and sums

(Nörlund 24, Petkovšek 92, Abramov/Petkovšek 94, Hendriks/Singer 99/Sigma 01)

NOTE: By construction, the solutions are highly nested.

1. Creative telescoping (for the special case of hypergeometric terms see Zeilberger's algorithm (1991))

GIVEN a **definite** sum

$$S(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n f(n, k);$$

$f(n, k)$: indefinite nested product-sum in k ;
 n : extra parameter

FIND a **recurrence** for $S(n)$

2. Recurrence solving

GIVEN a recurrence

$$a_0(n), \dots, a_d(n), h(n):$$

indefinite nested product-sum expressions.

$$a_0(n)S(n) + \dots + a_d(n)S(n+d) = h(n);$$

FIND **all solutions** expressible by indefinite nested products and sums

(Nörlund 24, Petkovšek 92, Abramov/Petkovšek 94, Hendriks/Singer 99/Sigma 01)

3. Indefinite summation (by Sigma's refined summation theory of $\Pi\Sigma^*$ -fields)

Simplify the solutions:

- ▶ The sums have **minimal nested depth**.
- ▶ **No algebraic relations** occur among the sums.

1. Creative telescoping (for the special case of hypergeometric terms see Zeilberger's algorithm (1991))

GIVEN a **definite** sum

$$S(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n f(n, k);$$

$f(n, k)$: indefinite nested product-sum in k ;
 n : extra parameter

FIND a **recurrence** for $S(n)$

2. Recurrence solving

GIVEN a recurrence

$$a_0(n), \dots, a_d(n), h(n):$$

indefinite nested product-sum expressions.

$$a_0(n)S(n) + \dots + a_d(n)S(n+d) = h(n);$$

FIND **all solutions** expressible by indefinite nested products and sums

(Nörlund 24, Petkovšek 92, Abramov/Petkovšek 94, Hendriks/Singer 99/Sigma 01)

4. Find a "closed form"

$S(n)$ =combined solutions.

A warm up example: Simplify $f(N, k, j)$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \overbrace{\frac{(k+1)!(N+1)!}{(k+1)(N+1)(k+N+1)!} \frac{(j+1)!(j+k+N+1)!}{(j+k+1)!(j+N+1)!}}^{f(N, k, j)}$$

$$\times \frac{\frac{2j+k+N+2}{(j+k+1)(j+N+1)} - S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+N) - S_1(j+k+N)}{(j+1)(j+k+N+1)}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} f(N, k, j) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{S_1(k) + S_1(N) - S_1(k+N)}{kN(k+N+1)N!}$$

$$= \frac{S_1(N)^2 + S_2(N)}{2N(N+1)!}$$

where

$$S_2(N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{i^2}$$

Automatic machinery

“Background of our 3-loop computations”

- ▶ The following examples arise in the context of 2- and 3-loop massive single scale Feynman diagrams with operator insertion.
- ▶ These are related to the QCD anomalous dimensions and massive operator matrix elements.
- ▶ At 2-loop order all respective calculations are finished:

M. Buza, Y. Matiounine, J. Smith, R. Migneron, W.L. van Neerven, Nucl. Phys. **B472** (1996) 611;

I. Bierenbaum, J. Blümlein, S. Klein, Nucl. Phys. **B780** (2007) 40;

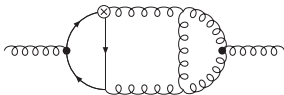
I. Bierenbaum, J. Blümlein, S. Klein, C. Schneider, Nucl.Phys. **B803** (2008)

and lead to representations in terms of harmonic sums.

Example 1: All N-Results for 3-Loop Ladder Graphs

Joint work with J. Ablinger (RISC), J. Blümlein (DESY),
A. Hasselhuhn (DESY), S. Klein (RWTH)

Consider, e.g., the diagram



(containing three massive fermion propagators)



Around 1000 sums have to be calculated

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \sum_{s=0}^{N-j+s-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+N+r-2}{s} (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N-s)(s+1)(-j+N+r)!}$$

Simple sum

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \sum_{s=0}^{N-j+s-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+N+r-2}{s} (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N-s)(s+1)(-j+N+r)!}$$

||

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \boxed{\sum_{s=0}^{N-j+s-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+N+r-2}{s} (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N-s)(s+1)(-j+N+r)!}}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \sum_{s=0}^{N-j+s-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+N+r-2}{s} (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N-s)(s+1)(-j+N+r)!}$$

||

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \left[\sum_{s=0}^{N-j+s-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+N+r-2}{s} (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N-s)(s+1)(-j+N+r)!} \right]$$

||

$$\left(\binom{j+1}{r} \left(\frac{(-1)^r (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N+1)(-j+N+r-1)(-j+N+r)!} + \frac{(-1)^{N+r} (j+1)! (-j+N-2)! (-j+N-1)_r r!}{(N-1)N(N+1)(-j+N+r)! (-j-1)_r (2-N)_j} \right) \right)$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \sum_{s=0}^{N-j+s-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+N+r-2}{s} (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N-s)(s+1)(-j+N+r)!}$$

||

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \left(\sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \binom{j+1}{r} \left(\frac{(-1)^r (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N+1)(-j+N+r-1)(-j+N+r)!} + \frac{(-1)^{N+r} (j+1)! (-j+N-2)! (-j+N-1)_r r!}{(N-1)N(N+1)(-j+N+r)! (-j-1)_r (2-N)_j} \right) \right)$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \sum_{s=0}^{N-j+s-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+N+r-2}{s} (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N-s)(s+1)(-j+N+r)!}$$

||

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \left(\sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \binom{j+1}{r} \left(\frac{(-1)^r (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N+1)(-j+N+r-1)(-j+N+r)!} + \frac{(-1)^{N+r} (j+1)! (-j+N-2)! (-j+N-1)_r r!}{(N-1)N(N+1)(-j+N+r)! (-j-1)_r (2-N)_j} \right) \right)$$

||

$$\left(\frac{N^2 - N + 1}{(N-1)^2 N^2 (N+1)(2-N)_j} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^j \frac{(2-N)_i}{(-i+N-1)^2 (i+1)!}}{(N+1)(2-N)_j} + \frac{(-1)^{j+N} (-j-2)(-j+N-2)!}{(j-N+1)(N+1)^2 N!} \right) (j+1)! - \frac{1}{(N+1)^2 (-j+N-1)}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \sum_{s=0}^{N-j+s-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+N+r-2}{s} (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N-s)(s+1)(-j+N+r)!}$$

||

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \left(\left(\frac{N^2 - N + 1}{(N-1)^2 N^2 (N+1)(2-N)_j} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^j \frac{(2-N)_i}{(-i+N-1)^2 (i+1)!}}{(N+1)(2-N)_j} + \frac{(-1)^{j+N} (-j-2)(-j+N-2)!}{(j-N+1)(N+1)^2 N!} \right) (j+1)! - \frac{1}{(N+1)^2 (-j+N-1)} \right)$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{r=0}^{j+1} \sum_{s=0}^{N-j+s-2} \frac{(-1)^{r+s} \binom{j+1}{r} \binom{-j+N+r-2}{s} (-j+N-2)! r!}{(N-s)(s+1)(-j+N+r)!}$$

||

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \left(\left(\frac{N^2 - N + 1}{(N-1)^2 N^2 (N+1)(2-N)_j} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^j \frac{(2-N)_i}{(-i+N-1)^2 (i+1)!}}{(N+1)(2-N)_j} + \frac{(-1)^{j+N} (-j-2)(-j+N-2)!}{(j-N+1)(N+1)^2 N!} \right) (j+1)! - \frac{1}{(N+1)^2 (-j+N-1)} \right)$$

||

$$\frac{-N^2 - N - 1}{N^2 (N+1)^3} + \frac{(-1)^N (N^2 + N + 1)}{N^2 (N+1)^3} - \frac{2S_{-2}(N)}{N+1} + \frac{S_1(N)}{(N+1)^2} + \frac{S_2(N)}{-N-1}$$

Note: $S_a(N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\text{sign}(a)^i}{i^{|a|}}$, $a \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$.

A typical sum

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{s=1}^{j+1} \sum_{r=0}^{N+s-j-2} \sum_{\sigma=0}^{\infty} \frac{-2(-1)^{s+r} \binom{j+1}{s} \binom{-j+N+s-2}{r} (N-j)!(s-1)!\sigma! S_1(r+2)}{(N-r)(r+1)(r+2)(-j+N+\sigma+1)(-j+N+\sigma+2)(-j+N+s+\sigma)!}$$

A typical sum

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{s=1}^{j+1} \sum_{r=0}^{N+s-j-2} \sum_{\sigma=0}^{\infty} \frac{-2(-1)^{s+r} \binom{j+1}{s} \binom{-j+N+s-2}{r} (N-j)!(s-1)!\sigma! S_1(r+2)}{(N-r)(r+1)(r+2)(-j+N+\sigma+1)(-j+N+\sigma+2)(-j+N+s+\sigma)!}$$

$$= \frac{(2N^2 + 6N + 5) S_{-2}(N)^2}{2(N+1)(N+2)} + S_{-2,-1,2}(N) + S_{-2,1,-2}(N)$$

$$+ \dots$$

where, e.g.,

$$S_{-2,1,-2}(N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(-1)^i \sum_{j=1}^i \frac{\sum_{k=1}^j (-1)^k}{k^2}}{i^2}$$

Vermaseren 98/Blümlein/Kurth 99

A typical sum

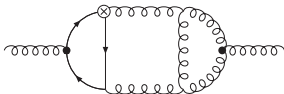
$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \sum_{s=1}^{j+1} \sum_{r=0}^{N+s-j-2} \sum_{\sigma=0}^{\infty} \frac{-2(-1)^{s+r} \binom{j+1}{s} \binom{-j+N+s-2}{r} (N-j)!(s-1)!\sigma! S_1(r+2)}{(N-r)(r+1)(r+2)(-j+N+\sigma+1)(-j+N+\sigma+2)(-j+N+s+\sigma)!} \\
&= \frac{(2N^2 + 6N + 5) S_{-2}(N)^2}{2(N+1)(N+2)} + S_{-2,-1,2}(N) + S_{-2,1,-2}(N) \\
&+ \dots - S_{2,1,1,1}(-1, 2, \frac{1}{2}, -1; N) + S_{2,1,1,1}(1, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2; N) \\
&+ \dots
\end{aligned}$$

where, e.g.,

145 S -sums occur

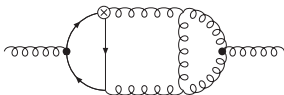
$$S_{2,1,1,1}(1, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2; N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j \sum_{k=1}^j \frac{\sum_{l=1}^k \frac{2^l}{l}}{k}}{j}}{i^2}$$

S. Moch, P. Uwer, S. Weinzierl 02



Sigma.m

Around 1000 sums are calculated containing in total 533 S -sums



Sigma.m

Around 1000 sums are calculated containing in total 533 S -sums



J. Ablinger's HarmonicSum.m

After elimination the following sums remain:

$$S_{-4}(N), S_{-3}(N), S_{-2}(N), S_1(N), S_2(N), S_3(N), S_4(N), S_{-3,1}(N), \\ S_{-2,1}(N), S_{2,-2}(N), S_{2,1}(N), S_{3,1}(N), S_{-2,1,1}(N), S_{2,1,1}(N)$$

For 3-loop ladder graphs we dealt (so far) with up to 6-fold sums. E.g.,

$$\sum_{l=2}^N \sum_{j=2}^l \sum_{k=1}^j \sum_{r=0}^{l-k} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^{j+k+l+r} (k-1)! \binom{j}{k} \binom{l}{j} \binom{l-k}{r} \binom{N}{l}}{(N-1)N(k+m+n+r+2)(k+m)!}$$

$$\frac{(k+m-1)!(N-j)!(l+r-2)!(n+r+1)! (k+m+n+r-1)!}{(-j+N+2)!(k+r-1)!(l+n+r-1)! (k+m+n+r+1)!}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N(N+1)(N+2)} \left(2((3-2^{N+3}) - (-1)^N) \zeta_3 \right.$$

$$+ \frac{1}{6} S_1(N)^3 + \frac{4(2N+3)}{(N+1)^2(N+2)} S_1(N) + \frac{8(2N+3)}{(N+1)^3(N+2)}$$

$$- \frac{-56 - 40N - 3N^2 + 2S_1(N) + 3NS_1(N) + N^2 S_1(N)}{2(1+N)(2+N)} S_2(N)$$

$$+ \frac{(16+12N+N^2)}{2(1+N)(2+N)} S_1(N)^2 + \frac{1}{3}(-3N-17) S_3(N)$$

$$- (-1)^N S_{-3}(N) + (-N-3) S_{2,1}(N) - 2(-1)^N S_{-2,1}(N)$$

$$\left. + 2^{N+4} S_{1,2}(\frac{1}{2}, 1, N) + 2^{N+3} S_{1,1,1}(\frac{1}{2}, 1, 1, N) \right)$$

and ...

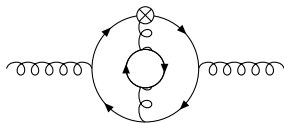
$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=0}^{N-3} \sum_{k=0}^j \sum_{l=0}^k \sum_{q=0}^{-j+N-3} \sum_{s=1}^{-l+N-q-3} \sum_{r=0}^{-l+N-q-s-3} \\
& \frac{\binom{j+1}{k+1} \binom{k}{l} \binom{N-1}{j+2} \binom{-j+N-3}{q} \binom{-l+N-q-3}{s} \binom{-l+N-q-s-3}{r} r! (-l+N-q-r-s-3)! (s-1)!}{(-l+N-q-2)!} \\
& \left(\frac{2 \frac{(-1)^{-j+k-l+N-q-3} (2S_1(-j+N-1) - S_1(-j+N-2))}{-j+N-1} - \frac{(-1)^{-j+k-l+N-q-3} S_1(k)}{-j+N-1}}{(N-q-r-s-2)(q+s+1)} \right. \\
& - \frac{(-1)^{-j+k-l+N-q-3} (S_1(-l+N-q-2) + S_1(-l+N-q-r-s-3) - 2S_1(r+s))}{(-j+N-1)(N-q-r-s-2)(q+s+1)} \\
& \left. + \frac{2(-1)^{-j+k-l+N-q-3} (S_1(s-1) - S_1(r+s))}{(-j+N-1)(N-q-r-s-2)(q+s+1)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

= polynomial expression in terms of 49 harmonic sums and S -sums

Example 2: 3-Loop All N-Results for the N_f Contributions

Joint work with J. Ablinger (RISC), J. Blümlein (DESY),
F. Wißbrock (DESY), S. Klein (RWTH)

E.g., for the diagram



768 sums are simplified.

Simple example:

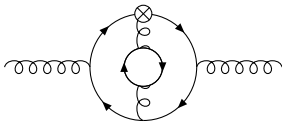
$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=1}^{N-2} \frac{j(j+1)(j+2)(N-j)(j-1)!^2(-j+N-1)!^2}{-j+N-1} \\
&= \frac{(-N^3 - 5N^2 - 4N + 6)(N!)^2}{(N-1)^2 N^2} \\
&+ \frac{3}{2} \frac{(N!)^2 (N^3 + 6N^2 + 11N + 6)}{(N-1)N(2N+1) \binom{2N}{N}} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\binom{2i}{i}}{i}.
\end{aligned}$$

Not expressible in terms of harmonic sums or S -sums!

The final expression is given in terms of 703 indefinite nested sums and products. Typical examples are:

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{\binom{2j}{j}}{j}}{\binom{2i}{i}}, \quad \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{S_1(i) \sum_{j=1}^i \frac{\binom{2j}{j}}{j}}{\binom{2i}{i}};$$

Sigma finds all algebraic relations among them. We get:



$$\begin{aligned}
& - \frac{20S(1,N)^4}{27(N+1)(N+2)} + \frac{32(6N^3+61N^2-21N+24)S_1(N)^3}{81N^2(N+1)(N+2)} - \frac{16(48N^5+746N^4+2697N^3+2746N^2+1104N+240)S_1(N)^2}{81N^2(N+1)^2(N+2)^2} \\
& + \frac{32(264N^7+4046N^6+21591N^5+52844N^4+74856N^3+66812N^2+30576N+2640)S_1(N)}{243N^2(N+1)^3(N+2)^3} \\
& - \frac{4(48N^2+101N+96)S_2(N)^2}{9N(N+1)(N+2)} - \frac{32(363N^7+6758N^6+41285N^5+121235N^4+190235N^3+150758N^2+46964N+2904)}{243N(N+1)^4(N+2)^3} \\
& + \left(-\frac{40S_1(N)^2}{9(N+1)(N+2)} + \frac{32(6N^3+61N^2-21N+24)S_1(N)}{27N^2(N+1)(N+2)} \right. \\
& \left. - \frac{16(124N^5+198N^4-2387N^3-6162N^2-3632N-480)}{81N^2(N+1)^2(N+2)^2} \right) S_2(N) + \\
& + \left(-\frac{32(9N^3-623N^2+894N+276)}{81N^2(N+1)(N+2)} - \frac{160S_1(N)}{27(N+1)(N+2)} \right) S_3(N) - \frac{8(56N^2+169N+112)S_4(N)}{9N(N+1)(N+2)} \\
& + \left(\frac{64S_1(N)}{3(N+1)(N+2)} - \frac{128(N^3+9N^2-10N-6)}{9N^2(N+1)(N+2)} \right) S_{2,1}(N) + \frac{64S_{3,1}(N)}{3(N+1)(N+2)} + \frac{64(3N^2+7N+6)}{3N(N+1)(N+2)} S_{2,1,1}(N) \\
& + \zeta_2 \left(\frac{8S_1(N)^2}{3(N+1)(N+2)} + \frac{16(3N^3-N^2+30N+12)S_1(N)}{9N^2(N+1)(N+2)} - \frac{16(3N^3+2N^2+17N+6)}{9N(N+1)^2(N+2)} - \frac{8(4N^2+9N+8)S_2(N)}{3N(N+1)(N+2)} \right) + \\
& + \zeta_3 \left(\frac{448}{9(N+1)(N+2)} - \frac{448S_1(N)}{9(N+1)(N+2)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$