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Symbolic summation, linear difference equations and challenging applications

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Outline

1. A warm-up example
2. The difference ring machinery for symbolic summation
3. Challenging applications

A warm-up example: simplify

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{(2j+k+n+2)j!k!(j+k+n)!}{(j+k+1)(j+n+1)(j+k+1)!(j+n+1)!(k+n+1)!} \right. \\ \left. + \underbrace{\frac{j!k!(j+k+n)!(-S_1(j) + S_1(j+k) + S_1(j+n) - S_1(j+k+n))}{(j+k+1)!(j+n+1)!(k+n+1)!}}_{f(j)} \right)$$

where

$$S_1(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \quad (= H_n)$$

Arose in the context of

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

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↑ summation package Sigma

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In[4]:= SigmaLimit[res, {n}, a]

$$\text{Out}[4]= \frac{1}{n!} \frac{S[1,k] + S[1,n] - S[1,k+n]}{kn(k+n+1)}$$

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Telescoping

GIVEN

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

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

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$$(n+2)\mathbf{A}(n+1) - n\mathbf{A}(n) = \frac{(n+1)S_1(n) + 1}{(n+1)^3}$$

recurrence finder

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recurrence solver

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$$\in \left\{ \begin{array}{l} c \times \frac{1}{n(n+1)} \\ + \frac{S_1(n)^2 + S_2(n)}{2n(n+1)} \end{array} \middle| c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

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Summation package Sigma

(based on difference field/ring algorithms/theory)

see, e.g., Abramov, Karr 1981, Bronstein 2000, Schneider 2001/2004/2005a-c/2007/2008/2010a-c)

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$$\text{Out[6]= } -n \text{SUM}[n] + (1+n)(2+n) \text{SUM}[n+1] == \\ \frac{(a+1)(S[1, a] + S[1, n] - S[1, a+n])}{(n+1)^2(a+n+2)n!} + \frac{a(a+1)}{(n+1)^3(a+n+1)(a+n+2)n!}$$

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In[7]:= rec = LimitRec[rec, SUM[n], {n}, a]

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In[8]:= `recSol = SolveRecurrence[rec, SUM[n]]`

$$\text{Out[8]= } \left\{ \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{n(n+1)} \right\}, \left\{ 1, \frac{s[1, n]^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2}}{2n(n+1)} \right\} \right\}$$

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Combine the solutions

In[9]:= `FindLinearCombination[recSol, {1, {1/2}}, n, 2]`

$$\text{Out[9]= } \frac{S[1, n]^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2}}{2n(n+1)}$$

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Part 2: The difference ring machinery for symbolic summation

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1. Creative telescoping

(for the special case of hypergeometric terms see Zeilberger's algorithm (1991))

GIVEN a **definite sum**

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

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

FIND a recurrence for $F(n)$

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A more general example:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\prod_{i=1}^k \frac{1+i+i^2}{i+1} \right) \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{j \binom{4j}{3j}^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -2(1+n)^3(3+n)\textcolor{blue}{n!}^2 F(n) \\ + (1+n)(8+9n+2n^2)\textcolor{blue}{n!} F(n+1) - F(n+2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

↓ Sigma.m

$$\left\{ c_1 \prod_{i=1}^n i! + c_2 \left(-2^n n! \prod_{i=1}^n i! + \frac{3}{2} \prod_{i=1}^n i! \sum_{i=1}^n 2^i i! \right) \mid c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{K} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + S_1(n) + nS_1(n))^2 (3 + 2n + 2S_1(n) + 3nS_1(n) + n^2 S_1(n))^2 F(n) \\ & - (1 + n)(3 + 2n)S_1(n) (3 + 2n + 2S_1(n) + 3nS_1(n) + n^2 S_1(n))^2 F(n+1) \\ & \quad + (1 + n)^2 (2 + n)^3 S_1(n) (1 + S_1(n) + nS_1(n)) F(n+2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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3. Find a “closed form”

$F(n)$ =combined solutions in terms of **indefinite nested sums**.

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Simple sum

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

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

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Definition: (\mathbb{A}, ev) is called an eval-ring

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Definition: (\mathbb{A}, σ) with a ring \mathbb{A} and automorphism σ is called a difference ring; the set of constants is

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This is a special case of an $R\Pi\Sigma$ -ring

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GIVEN $f \in \mathbb{A}$;

FIND, in case of existence, a $g \in \mathbb{A}$ such that

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(Abramov/Bronstein/Petkovšek/CS, 2021)

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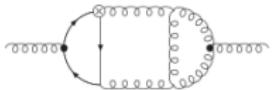
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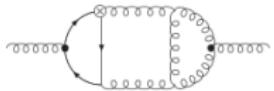
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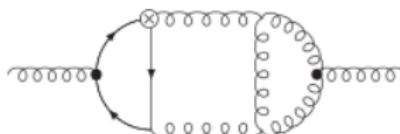
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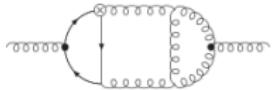
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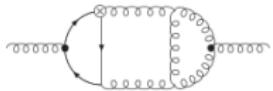
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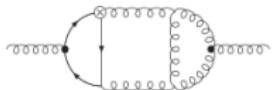
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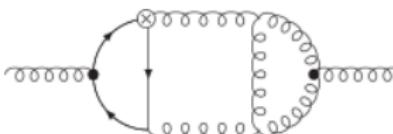
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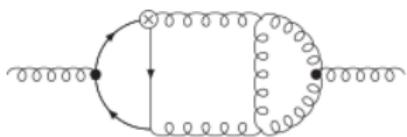
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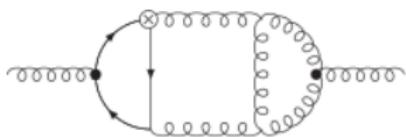


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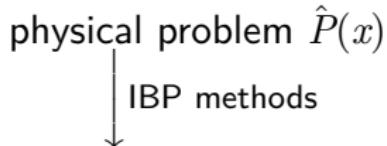
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 & \frac{7}{12} S_1(n)^4 + \frac{(17n+5)S_1(n)^3}{(-1)^n(2n+1)} + \left(\frac{35n^2 - 2n - 5}{2n^2(n+1)^2} + \frac{13S_2(n)}{2} + \frac{5(-1)^n}{2n^2} \right) S_1(n)^2 \\
 & + (-1)^n S_1(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \frac{(-1)^n(2n+1)}{n(n+1)} - \frac{13}{n} S_2(n) + \left(\frac{29}{3} - (-1)^n \right) S_3(n) \\
 & + (28S_{-2,1}(n) + \frac{20(-1)^n}{n^2(n+1)}) S_2(n)^2 \\
 & - 2(-1)^n S_{-2}(n)^2 + S_{-3}(n) \left(\frac{2(3n-5)}{n(n+1)} + (26+4(-1)^n) S_{-2}(n) \right) \\
 & + \left(\frac{(-1)^n(5-3n)}{2n^2} + \frac{5}{n(n+1)} S_{-1}(n) + S_{-2}(n)(10S_{-1}(n))^2 + \left(\frac{8(-1)^n(2n+1)}{n(n+1)} \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. - 1\right)^n S_2(n) - \frac{16}{n(n+1)} \right) \\
 & + (-1)^n S_{-2,1,1}(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(-1)^i}{i^2} \sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{k} \\
 & + (-6 + 5(-1)^n) S_{-4}(n) \\
 & + (-24 + 4(-1)^n) S_{-2,1}(n) - (24 + 4(-1)^n) S_{-3,1}(n) + (3 - 5(-1)^n) S_{2,1,1}(n) \\
 & - \frac{8(-1)^n}{n(n+1)} S_{-2,1}(n) - (24 + 4(-1)^n) S_{-3,1}(n) + (3 - 5(-1)^n) S_{2,1,1}(n) \\
 & + 32S_{-2,1,1}(n) + \left(\frac{3}{2} S_1(n)^2 - \frac{3S_1(n)}{n} + \frac{3}{2} (-1)^n S_{-2}(n) \right) \zeta(2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Tactic 2: Solve coupled systems of differential equations

[coming, e.g., from IBP methods]

General strategy:



- ▶ $\hat{P}(x) = \text{LinComb}(\hat{I}_1(x), \dots, \hat{I}_u(x))$
- ▶ Recursively defined coupled DE systems for unknown MIs $\hat{I}_i(x)$

Strategy: uncouple and solve

DE system

$$D\hat{I}(x) = A \hat{I}(x) + \hat{R}(x)$$

Strategy: uncouple and solve

DE system

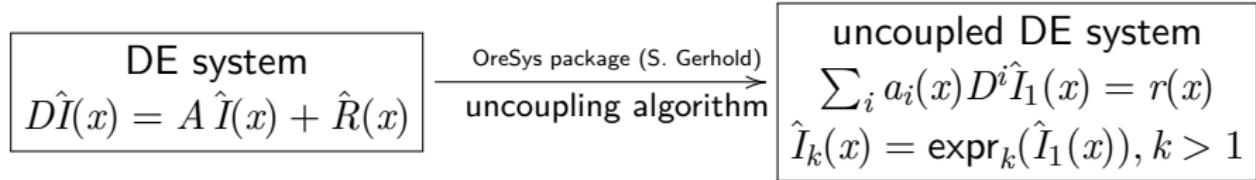
$$D\hat{I}(x) = A \hat{I}(x) + \hat{R}(x)$$

OreSys package (S. Gerhold)
uncoupling algorithm

uncoupled DE system

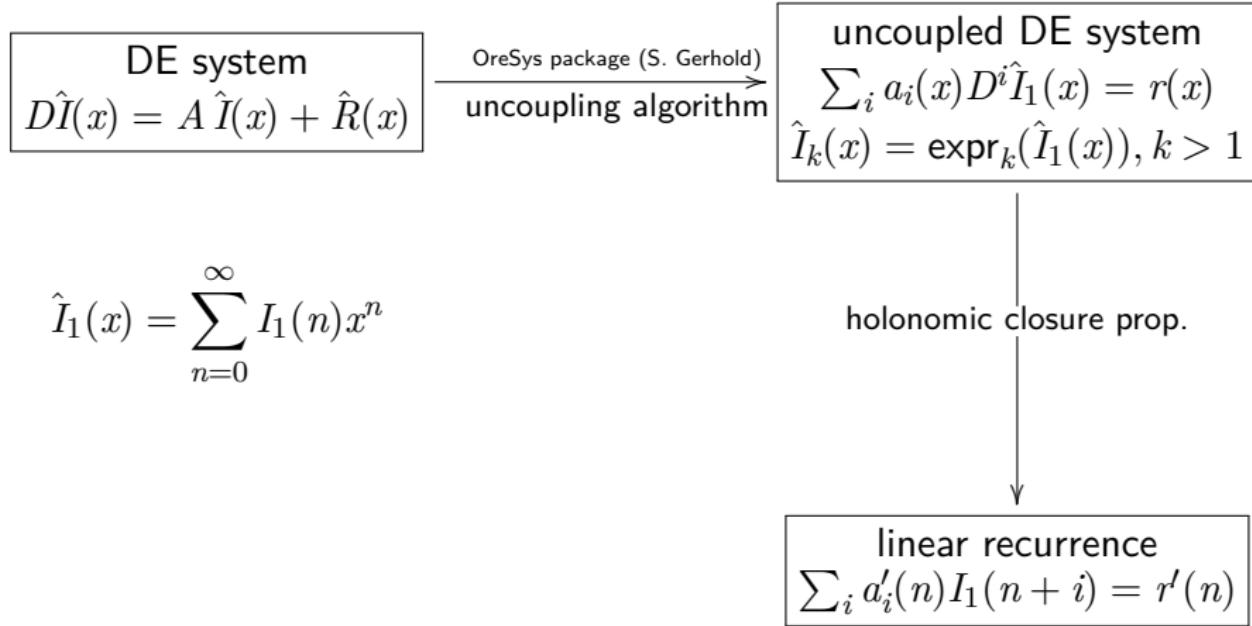
$$\sum_i a_i(x) D^i \hat{I}_1(x) = r(x)$$
$$\hat{I}_k(x) = \text{expr}_k(\hat{I}_1(x)), k > 1$$

Strategy: uncouple and solve

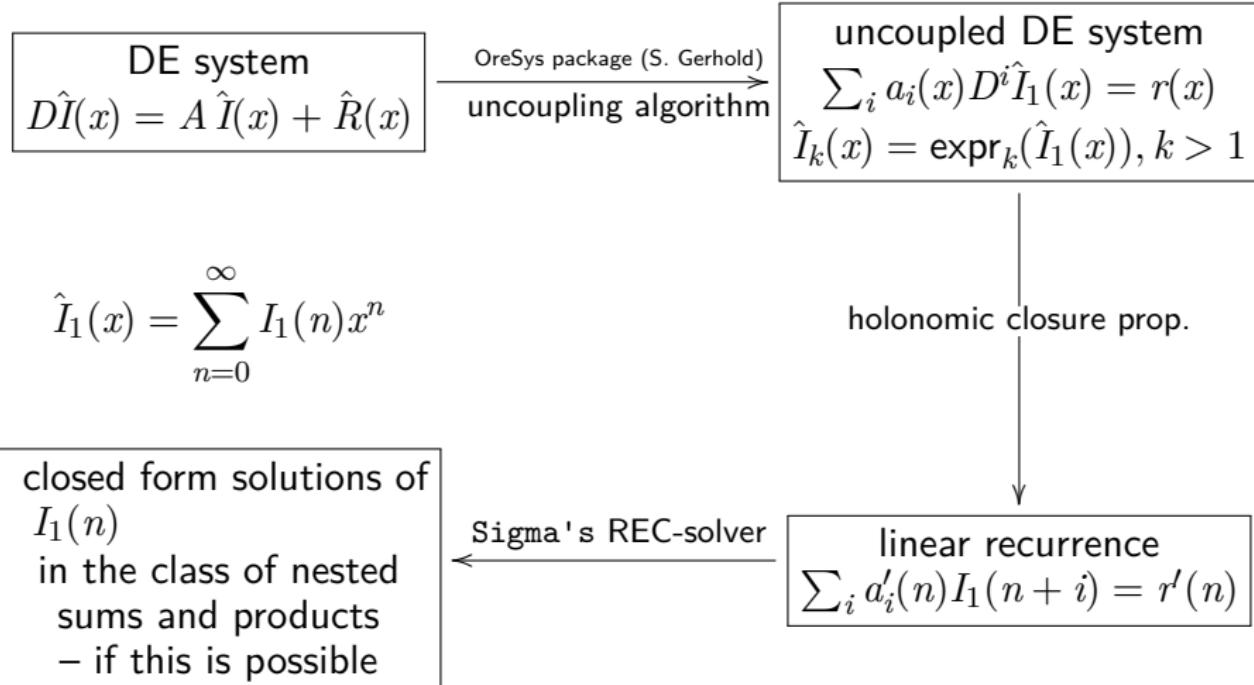


$$\hat{I}_1(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} I_1(n)x^n$$

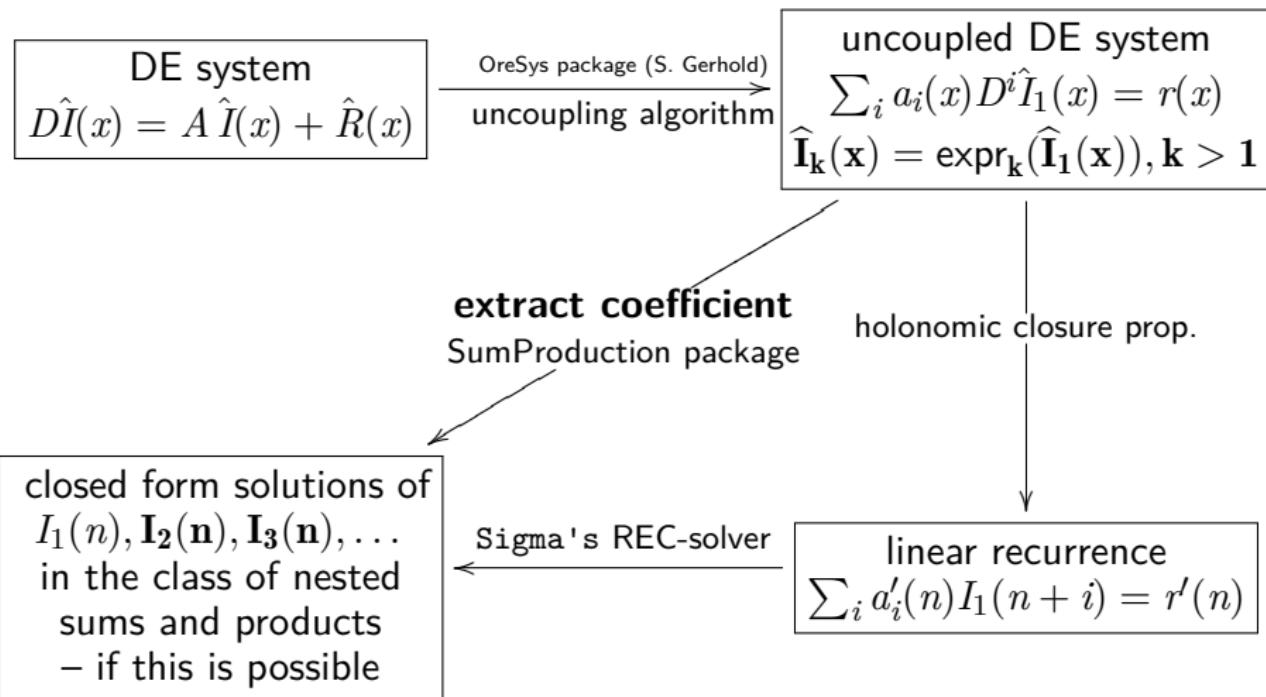
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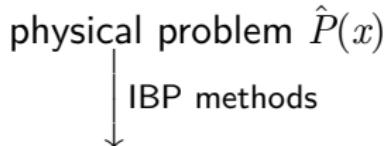
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physical problem $\hat{P}(x)$



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solver for $\hat{I}_i(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} I_i(n)x^n$

$$I_i(n) = \varepsilon^{-3} F_{-3}(n) + \varepsilon^{-2} F_{-2}(n) + \cdots + \varepsilon^{o_i} F_{o_i}(n) + \dots$$

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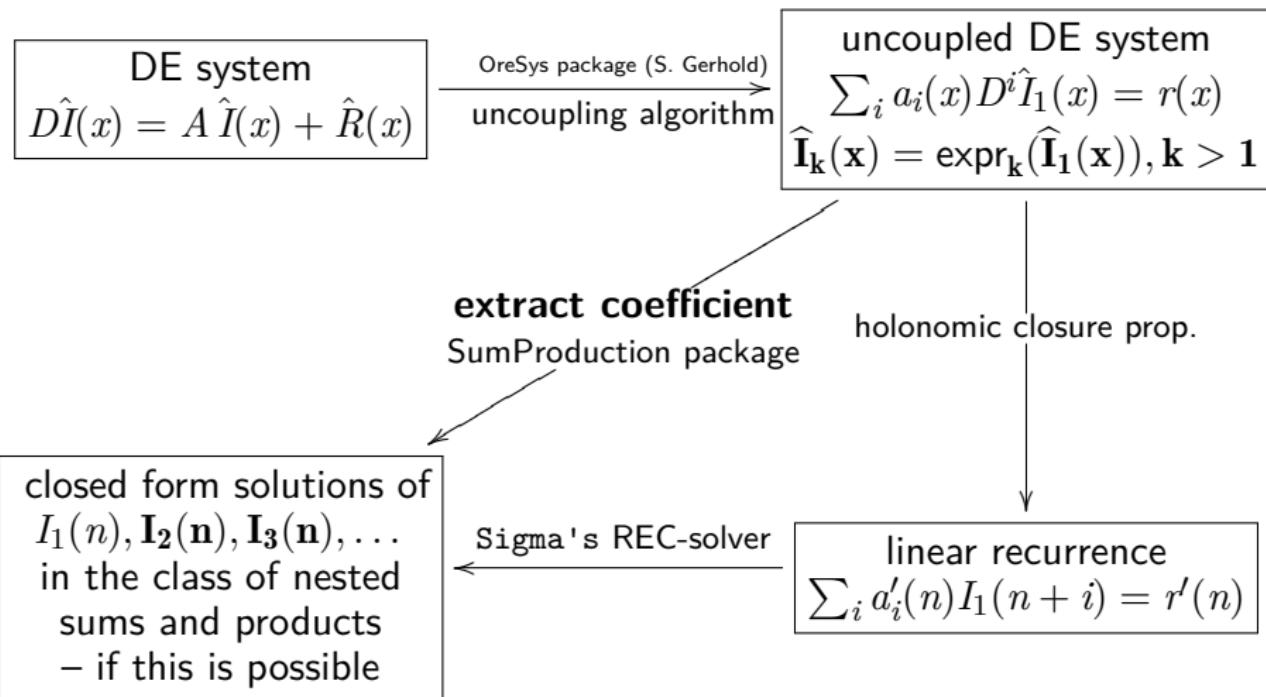
$$\downarrow \text{plug into } \hat{P}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n)x^n$$

$$P(n) = \varepsilon^{-3} P_{-3}(n) + \varepsilon^{-2} P_{-2}(n) + \varepsilon^{-1} P_{-1}(n) + \varepsilon^0 P_0(n) + \dots$$

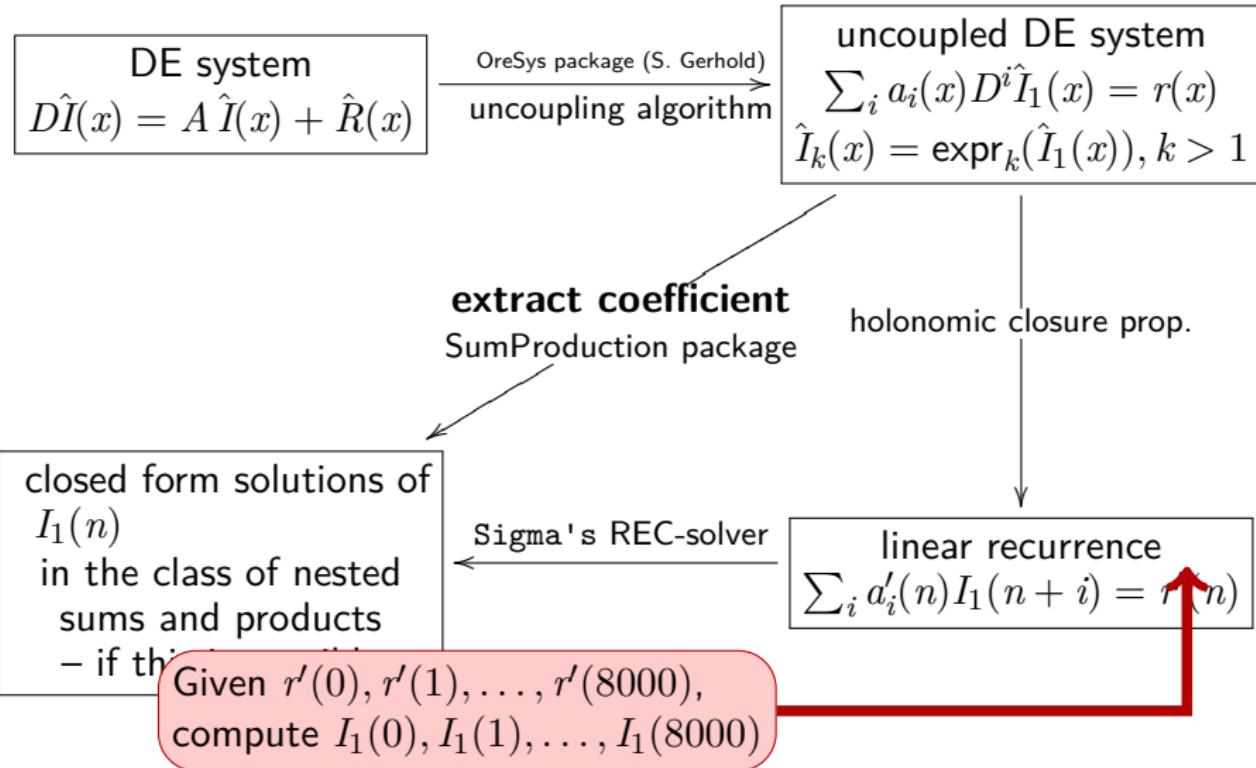
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Strategy: uncouple and solve

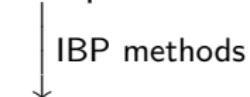


Strategy: uncouple and compute numbers



General strategy:

physical problem $\hat{P}(x)$



- ▶ $\hat{P}(x) = \text{LinComb}(\hat{I}_1(x), \dots, \hat{I}_u(x))$
- ▶ Recursively defined coupled DE systems for unknown MIs $\hat{I}_i(x)$

$$\downarrow \text{solver for } \hat{I}_i(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} I_i(n)x^n$$

$$I_i(n) = \underbrace{\varepsilon^{-3}F_{-3}(n) + \varepsilon^{-2}F_{-2}(n) + \varepsilon^{-1}F_{-1}(n) + \varepsilon^0F_0(n) + \dots}_{n=0, 1, \dots, 8000}$$

only numbers

$$\downarrow \text{plug into } \hat{P}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n)x^n$$

$$P(n) = \underbrace{\varepsilon^{-3}P_{-3}(n) + \varepsilon^{-2}P_{-2}(n) + \varepsilon^{-1}P_{-1}(n) + \varepsilon^0P_0(n) + \dots}_{\text{numbers}}$$

numbers

$n = 0, 1, \dots, 8000$

coupled systems for

$$\hat{P}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n)x^n$$

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`SolveCoupledSystem.m`

large no. of
evaluations of $P(n)$

coupled systems for

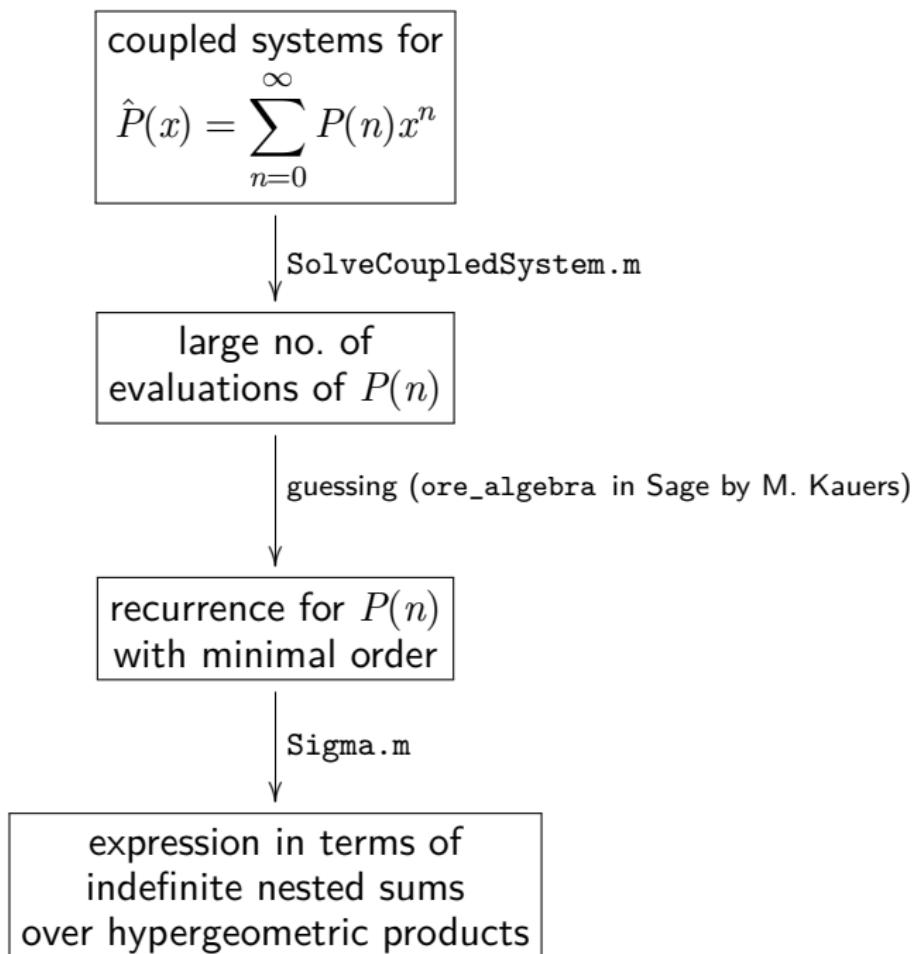
$$\hat{P}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(n)x^n$$

SolveCoupledSystem.m

large no. of
evaluations of $P(n)$

guessing (`ore_algebra` in Sage by M. Kauers)

recurrence for $P(n)$
with minimal order



Example (J. Blümlein, P. Marquard, CS, K. Schönwald. Nucl. Phys. B 971, pp. 1-44. 2021)

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In[1]:= << Sigma.m
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In[2]:= initial = << iFile16
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In[1]:= << Sigma.m

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In[2]:= initial = << iFile16

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & - (n+2)^3 (2n+3)^3 (2n+7) (2n+9) (2n+11) \left(12369505812480n^{38} + 1613151061671936n^{37} + \right. \\
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 & \left. 101701393436276172443717692853400n + 6204709909986751913151675960000 \right) P[n+1]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + 2(n+3)^2(2n+5)^3(2n+9)(2n+11) \left(24739011624960n^{40} + 3317836466356224n^{39} + 215508170284466176n^{38} + 9032884062187945984n^{37} + \right. \\
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\end{aligned}$$

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\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
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 & 55935262205790259307904762197107653n^8 + 36322355479155199114489624391144238n^7 + \\
 & 19756597118002557191991191826327042n^6 + 8822212911433711339358062994077203n^5 + \\
 & 3145597282374650512689680780380605n^4 + 859907105684964990690798899478888n^3 + \\
 & 168963309995629650025632011492580n^2 + 21205680751316222158938757272000n + \\
 & \left. 1274120732351744651125603886400 \right) P[n+4]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - (n+5)^2(n+6)^4(2n+5)(2n+7)(2n+9)^3(2n+11)^4 \left(309237645312n^{32} + 28361279668224n^{31} + \right. \\
 & 1249518729297920n^{30} + 35220794552352768n^{29} + 713726163159089152n^{28} + 11076866026783113216n^{27} + \\
 & 136959486138712588288n^{26} + 1385658801437173350400n^{25} + 11691772665924577918976n^{24} + \\
 & 83438339505976242995200n^{23} + 508989054278115477684224n^{22} + 2675508113418826174332928n^{21} + \\
 & 12193213796145039633072128n^{20} + 4839902053765172272642304n^{19} + 167881257973769248139515904n^{18} + \\
 & 510012482113388176546187776n^{17} + 1358662126092561923541267968n^{16} + 3174925021159974655053814528n^{15} + \\
 & 6504205668151125355938798848n^{14} + 11663792381020901870157176128n^{13} + \\
 & 18263581057905911985340656960n^{12} + 24881010123632244515458585528n^{11} + \\
 & 29346856353503020415409305704n^{10} + 29775859546803351930591002266n^9 + 25770328899499991754425455738n^8 + \\
 & 18817114309842270306167785140n^7 + 11424980760825630752861027739n^6 + 5656051955667821083952617134n^5 + \\
 & 2221448212382554437709999491n^4 + 664859653803075491350122060n^3 + 142190920852333874895041748n^2 + \\
 & 19313175036907229252501700n + 1248723341516324359641600)P[n+5]==0;
 \end{aligned}$$

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In[4]:= recSol = SolveRecurrence[rec, P[n]]
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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Out}[4] = & \left\{ \left\{ 0, \frac{(3+2n)(3+4n)}{(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} \right\}, \right. \\ & \left\{ 0, -\frac{(3+2n)(-8-9n+2n^2)}{(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} \right\}, \\ & \left\{ 0, -\frac{(3+2n)(-5+8n^2)}{2(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \frac{(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} + \frac{2(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} \right\}, \\ & \left\{ 0, \frac{(3+2n)(-513-2184n-2416n^2+768n^4)}{2(1+n)^3(1+2n)^3} + \frac{14(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} + \left(- \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. \frac{2(3+2n)(3+44n+48n^2)}{(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \frac{48(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} + \right. \\ & \left. \frac{12(3+2n) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \right)^2}{(1+n)(1+2n)} + \frac{56(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-1+2i)^2}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} - \right. \\ & \left. \left. \frac{4(3+2n)(3+44n+48n^2) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}}{(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \frac{48(3+2n) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i} \right)^2}{(1+n)(1+2n)} \right\} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{16(1+n)^4(1+2n)^4} (72519 + 572343n + 1814716n^2 + 2918100n^3 + 2442240n^4 + 912896n^5 + 24576n^6 - \right. \\
& 49152n^7) + \frac{16(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^3}}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} + \left(- \frac{(3+2n)(29+307n+322n^2)}{4(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \frac{44(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} + \\
& \left(\frac{(3+2n)(91+259n+974n^2+1784n^3+1024n^4)}{4(1+n)^3(1+2n)^3} + \frac{22(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} + \frac{24(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-1+2i)^2}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} - \right. \\
& \frac{4(3+2n)(-13-4n+16n^2) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}}{(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \frac{16(3+2n) (\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i})^2}{(1+n)(1+2n)} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} + \left(- \right. \\
& \frac{(3+2n)(19+92n+80n^2)}{(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \frac{40(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} (\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i})^2 + \frac{20(3+2n) (\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i})^3}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} + \\
& \frac{64(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-1+2i)^3}}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} - \frac{3(3+2n)(63+209n+150n^2) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-1+2i)^2}}{(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \\
& \left. \frac{3(3+2n)(347+1795n+4302n^2+4856n^3+2048n^4)}{2(1+n)^3(1+2n)^3} + \frac{48(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-1+2i)^2}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i} - \\
& \frac{4(3+2n)(19+92n+80n^2) (\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i})^2}{(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \frac{32(3+2n) (\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i})^3}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} - \\
& \frac{8(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j})^2}{i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} - \frac{16(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j})^2}{-1+2i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} + \frac{\left(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j} \right) \sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{-1+2j}}{-1+2i} \\
& - \frac{32(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j}) \sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{-1+2j}}{i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} + \frac{64(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{-1+2j})^2}{-1+2i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} + \\
& \frac{32(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{-1+2j})^2}{i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} + \frac{64(3+2n) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{-1+2j})^2}{-1+2i}}{(1+n)(1+2n)} \}, \{1, 0\} \}
\end{aligned}$$

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In[5]:= $\text{sol} = \text{FindLinearCombination}[\text{recSol}, \{0, \text{initial}\}, n, 7, \text{MinInitialValue} \rightarrow 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Out}[5] = & \frac{1}{3(1+n)^4(1+2n)^4} (111 + 1920n + 11765n^2 + 32545n^3 + 46476n^4 + 35376n^5 + 13440n^6 + 1968n^7) + \frac{32(3+2n)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^4}}{9(1+n)(1+2n)} - \\ & \frac{3(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2}{(3+2n)(-3+10n+126n^2)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2}} - \frac{(3+2n)(115+921n+1967n^2+1524n^3+340n^4)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}}{44(3+2n)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2})\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}} - \\ & \frac{3(1+n)(1+2n)}{(3+2n)(23+139n+130n^2)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i})^2} + \frac{40(3+2n)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i})^3}{128(3+2n)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-1+2i)^4}} - \frac{4(3+2n)(77+261n+190n^2)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-1+2i)^2}}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} + \\ & \frac{3(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2}{16(3+2n)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i})\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-1+2i)^2}} + \frac{9(1+n)(1+2n)}{2(3+2n)(13-153n-303n^2+12n^3+172n^4)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}} - \frac{88(3+2n)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i})\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}}{3(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} - \\ & \frac{(1+n)(1+2n)}{4(3+2n)(-41-53n+2n^2)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i})\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}} + \frac{3(1+n)^3(1+2n)^3}{80(3+2n)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i})^2\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}} + \frac{32(3+2n)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(-1+2i)^2})\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i}}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} - \\ & \frac{3(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2}{4(3+2n)(23+139n+130n^2)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i})^2} + \frac{32(3+2n)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i})(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i})^2}{64(3+2n)(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{-1+2i})^3} + \frac{(1+n)(1+2n)}{3(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} - \\ & \frac{3(1+n)(1+2n)}{16(3+2n)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j})^2}{i}} - \frac{32(3+2n)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j})^2}{-1+2i}}{64(3+2n)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j})\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{-1+2j}}{i}} + \frac{9(1+n)(1+2n)}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} + \\ & \frac{3(1+n)(1+2n)}{128(3+2n)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j})\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{-1+2j}}{-1+2i}} - \frac{3(1+n)(1+2n)}{64(3+2n)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j-1+2j})^2}{i}} + \frac{128(3+2n)\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^i \frac{1}{j-1+2j})^2}{-1+2i}}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Out[8]} = & \frac{1}{3(1+n)^4(1+2n)^4} (111 + 1920n + 11765n^2 + 32545n^3 + 46476n^4 + 35376n^5 + 13440n^6 + \\
 & 1968n^7) + \frac{64(3+2n)^2 S[1, n]}{3(1+n)(1+2n)^2} + \frac{64(3+2n)(2+3n) S[1, n]^2}{3(1+n)(1+2n)^2} + (- \\
 & \frac{2(3+2n)(147 + 985n + 1871n^2 + 1268n^3 + 212n^4)}{3(1+n)^3(1+2n)^3} + \frac{224(3+2n) S[2, 2n]}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} + \\
 & \frac{128(3+2n) S[-2, 2n]}{3(1+n)(1+2n)}) S[1, 2n] - \frac{4(3+2n)(23 + 123n + 114n^2) S[1, 2n]^2}{3(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \\
 & \frac{64(3+2n) S[1, 2n]^3}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} + \frac{64(3+2n) S[2, n]}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} - \frac{4(3+2n)(53 + 229n + 190n^2) S[2, 2n]}{3(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \\
 & \frac{64(3+2n) S[3, 2n]}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} + \left(-\frac{64(3+2n)^2}{3(1+n)(1+2n)^2} - \frac{128(3+2n)(2+3n) S[1, 2n]}{3(1+n)(1+2n)^2} \right) S[-1, 2n] - \\
 & \frac{64(3+2n)(2+3n) S[-1, 2n]^2}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} - \frac{32(3+2n)(1+8n+8n^2) S[-2, 2n]}{3(1+n)^2(1+2n)^2} + \\
 & \frac{3(1+n)(1+2n)^2}{3(1+n)(1+2n)} - \frac{128(3+2n) S[-2, 1, 2n]}{3(1+n)(1+2n)}
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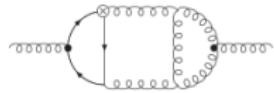
In[9]:= SExpansion[sol, n, 2]

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Out}[9] = & \ln 2^2 \left(\frac{64 \text{LG}[n]}{n} + \frac{160}{3n^2} - \frac{44}{n} \right) + \\
 & \ln 2 \left(\left(\frac{320}{3n^2} - \frac{88}{n} \right) \text{LG}[n] + \frac{64 \text{LG}[n]^2}{n} - \frac{430}{3n^2} + \frac{160\zeta_2}{3n} - \frac{14}{n} \right) + \\
 & \zeta_2 \left(\frac{160 \text{LG}[n]}{3n} + \frac{40}{n^2} - \frac{84}{n} \right) + \left(\frac{160}{3n^2} - \frac{44}{n} \right) \text{LG}[n]^2 + \left(-\frac{430}{3n^2} - \frac{14}{n} \right) \text{LG}[n] + \frac{64 \text{LG}[n]^3}{3n} + \\
 & \frac{64 \ln 2^3}{3n} + \frac{145}{2n^2} + \frac{32\zeta_3}{n} + \frac{41}{n}
 \end{aligned}$$

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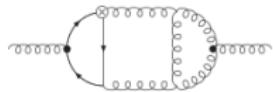
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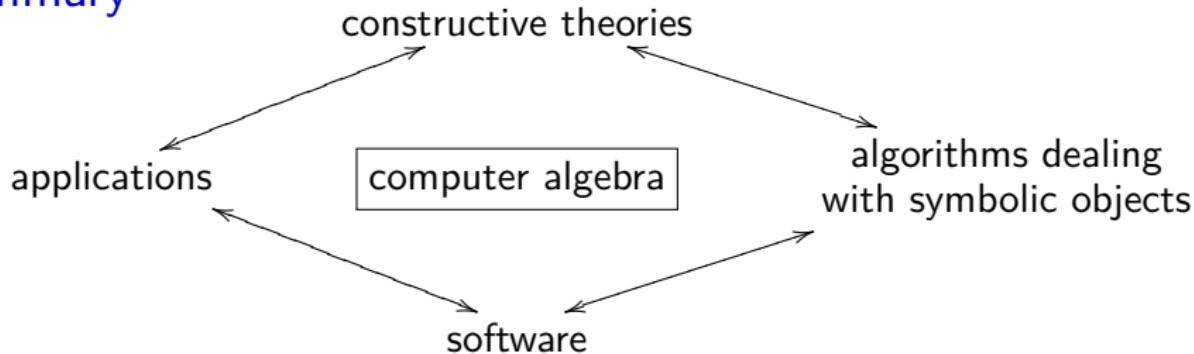
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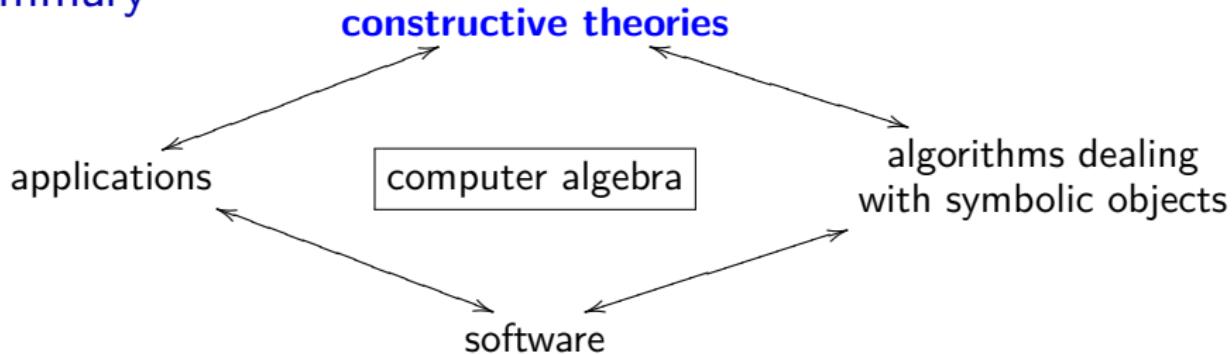
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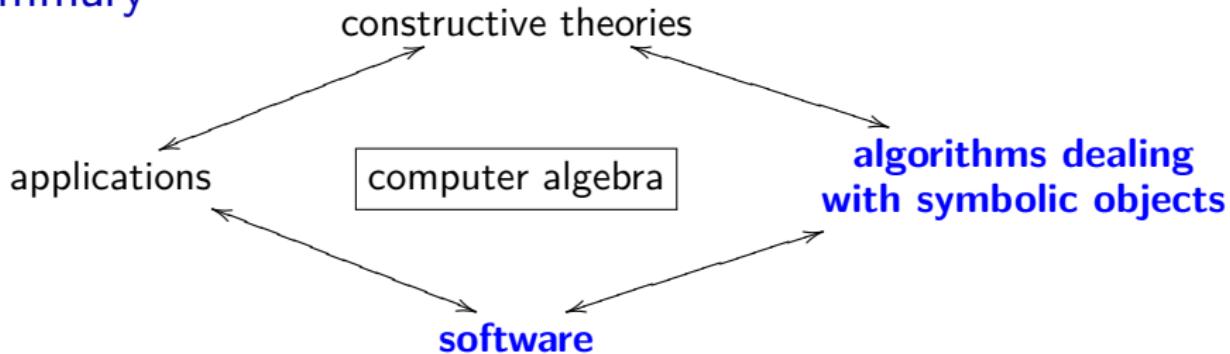


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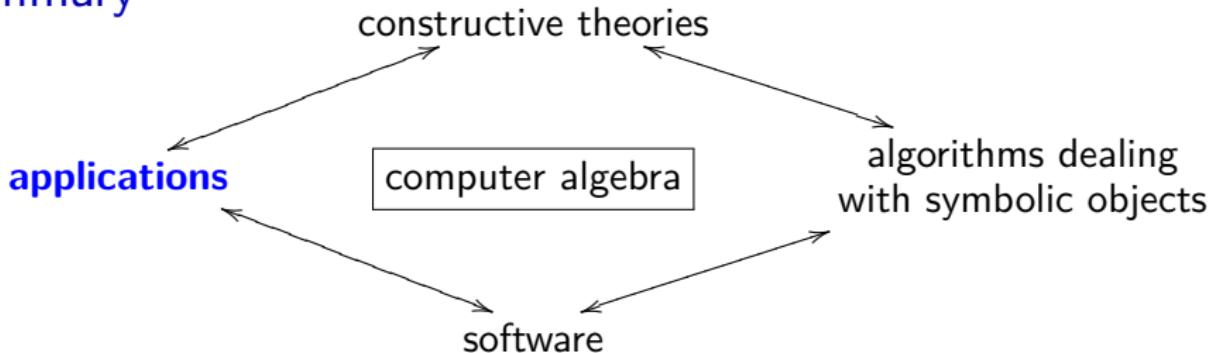
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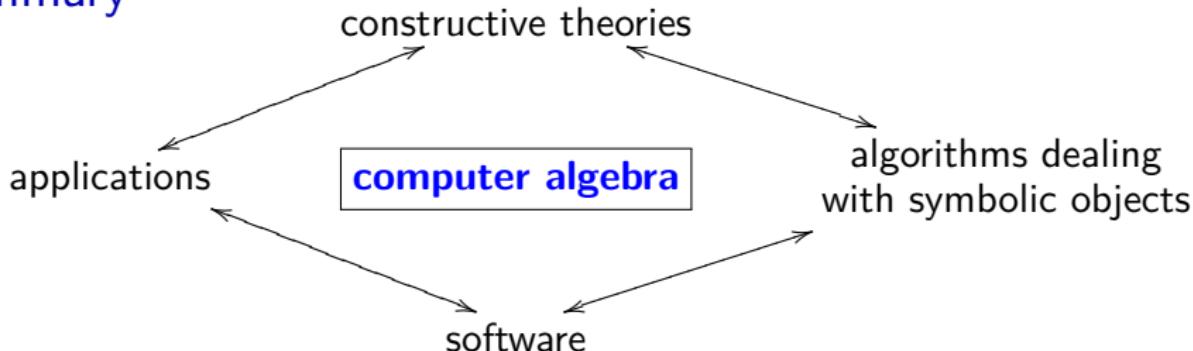
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