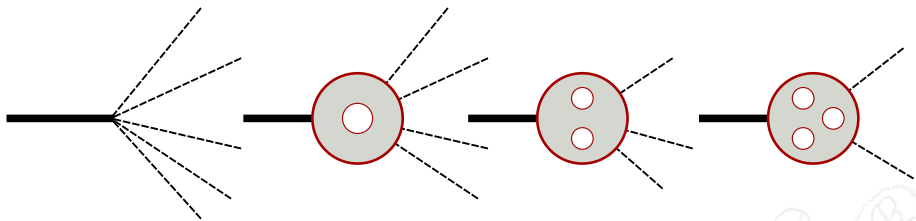


# Analytical calculation of phase-space integrals in massless QCD



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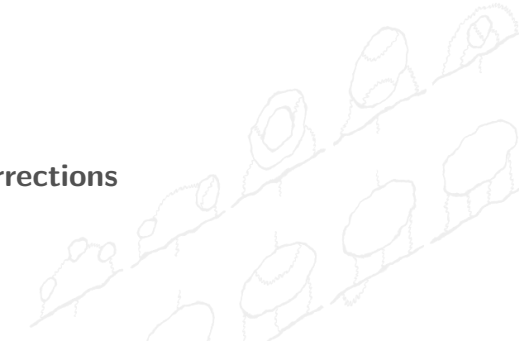
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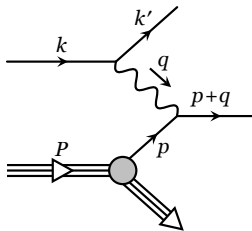


# Motivation



# Fully-inclusive and semi-inclusive processes in QCD

## ▶ Deep-inelastic scattering



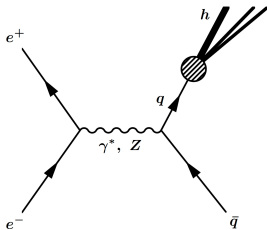
- ▶ Sum rules
- ▶ Fixed moments
- ▶ Full  $x$  or  $n$  dependence

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$\text{Im } T^{\mu\nu}$

## ▶ $e^+e^-$ annihilation



- ▶ Total crosssection
- ▶ Fixed moments
- ▶ Full  $x$  or  $n$  dependence

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PS integration/number

PS int/function

# Phase-space integrals



# Phase-space integration in a nutshell

Energy positive

$$\int \left( \prod_{i=1}^n d^D p_i \delta(p_i^2) \theta(E_i) \right) \delta^{(D)}(q - p_1 - \dots - p_n) f(p_i \cdot p_j)$$

On-shellness condition

Momentum conservation

Propagators

## Important features:

- ▶ Very complicated integration domain
- ▶ Propagators may contain singularities:
  - collinear  $(\beta_i \cdot \beta_j) \rightarrow 0$ , partons emitted at a small angle
  - infrared  $E_i \rightarrow 0$ , very low energy massless partons
- ▶ The enormous number of momenta components to be integrated directly
- ▶ Function  $f(\dots)$  and hence propagators are functions of invariants  $s_{ijk\dots} = (p_i + p_j + p_k + \dots)^2$  formed by scalar products only

# Invariant phase-space integration

Integrals of our interest have form:

$$I_n = \int \left( \prod_i d^D p_i \right) f(p_i \cdot p_j)$$

From momentum integration to explicit integration over scalar products

$$I_n = \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} \Omega_{D-k} \int \prod_{i < j} ds_{ij} (\Delta_n)^{\frac{D-n-1}{2}} \Theta(\Delta_n) \delta(1 - s_{12\dots n}) f(s_{ij})$$

We define Gram determinant for  $n$  massless partons momenta:

$$\Delta_n = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2^n} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & s_{12} & \cdots & s_{1n} \\ s_{12} & 0 & \cdots & s_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ s_{1n} & s_{2n} & \cdots & 0 \end{vmatrix}, \quad \Omega_n = \frac{2\pi^{\frac{n}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})}$$

# Complications due to the Gramm determinant

- ▶ Two- and three-particle PS: no constraints from the theta-function  $\Theta(\Delta_n)$

$$\Delta_2 = \frac{1}{4}s_{12}^2, \quad \Delta_3 = \frac{1}{4}s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}$$

- ▶ Four-particle PS depends on Källén function  $\lambda(x, y, z) = (x - y - z)^2 - 4yz$

$$\Delta_4 = -\frac{1}{16}\lambda(s_{12}s_{34}, s_{13}s_{24}, s_{14}s_{23})$$

PS unit cube paramtrisation exists [Gehrmann-De Rider,Gehrmann,Heinrich'04]

- ▶ For five-paricle PS mapping on hypercube we need to solve  $\Delta_5 = 0$ ,  
parametrisation with lots of square roots [Heinrich'06]

$$\Delta_5 = \frac{1}{16}(s_{14}s_{15}s_{23}s_{25}s_{34} + s_{13}s_{15}s_{24}s_{25}s_{34} - s_{13}s_{14}s_{25}^2s_{34} - s_{15}^2s_{23}s_{24}s_{34} + \dots - s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}s_{45}^2)$$

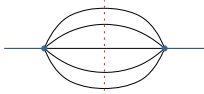


# Ways to evaluate single-scale integrals

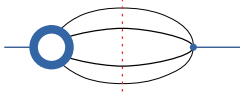
- ▶ Using definition of the hypergeometric function, for more complicated integrals using HyperInt package
  - ✓ Analytical expression from the beginning
  - ✗ Integral is free from singularities, to expand in  $\epsilon$  under the integral sign
  - ✗ Only generalized polylogarithms (GPL) and linear reducible denominators
  - ✗ Difficult to manipulate with expressions containing GPL of higher weights
- ▶ Mellin-Barnes representation
  - ✓ Can be applied to divergent integrals
  - ✗ Only low dimensionanal integrals can be calculated analytically
- ▶ Dimensional Recurrence Relations (DRR)
  - ✗ Difficult to construct homogeneous solution for coupled integrals
  - ✗ Solution is numerical, needs PSLQ and known basis
  - ✓ Precision is very high and many orders of expansion in  $\epsilon$  accessible easily

# On the way to the final answer

- ▶ Five-particle phase-space integrals: **real**⊗**real**



- ▶ Four-particle phase-space integrals: **virtual**⊗**real**



- ▶ Three-particle phase-space integrals: **virtual**⊗**real** and **virtual**⊗**virtual**



- ▶ Two-particle phase-space integrals: **virtual**⊗**real** and **virtual**⊗**virtual**



# Dimensional recurrence relations and $1 \rightarrow 5$ PS integrals



# Lowering DRR

Using integral representation through invariants for arbitrary  $D$  we can perform shift  $D \rightarrow D + 2$ :

$$I_n^{(D)} = \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} \Omega_{D-k} \int \prod_{i < j} ds_{ij} (\Delta_n)^{\frac{D-n-1}{2}} \Theta(\Delta_n) \delta(1 - s_{12\dots n}) [f(s_{ij})]$$

$$I_n^{(D+2)} = \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} \Omega_{D-k} \int \prod_{i < j} ds_{ij} (\Delta_n)^{\frac{D-n-1}{2}} \Theta(\Delta_n) \delta(1 - s_{12\dots n}) \left[ \frac{2\pi}{D} \Delta_n f(s_{ij}) \right]$$

Rewriting integrand of  $D + 2$  dimensional integral as  $D$ -dimensional one with additional factor, we can rewrite  $D + 2$  dimensional integral as a linear combination of  $D$  - dimensional integrals with  $f \rightarrow f'$ :

$$f'(s_{ij}) = \frac{2\pi}{D} \Delta_n f(s_{ij})$$

# IBP relations for cut integrals: definition

Reverse unitarity allows us apply to integration of phase-space integrals methods developed for loop integrals [Anastasiou,Melnikov'02]

We define cut propagators

$$\delta(q^2)\theta(q_0) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(q^2) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \text{Disc} \frac{1}{q^2} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left( \frac{1}{q^2 + i0} - \frac{1}{q^2 - i0} \right)$$

Same differentiation rules as for ordinary propagators:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial q_\mu} [\mathcal{C}(q^2)]^a = -2a \cdot q_\mu [\mathcal{C}(q^2)]^{a+1}$$

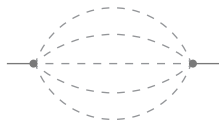
But we nullify integrals with cut propagators in the negative powers

$$[\mathcal{C}(q^2)]^{-a} = 0, \quad \forall a = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

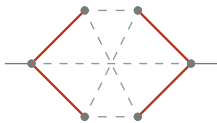
Can relate each PS integral with corresponding loop integral and apply IBP reduction with small modifications

# Master integrals basis for PS and loop integrals

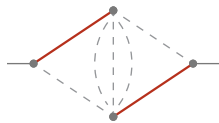
- ▶ Four-loop propagator master integrals basis contains **28** elements  
[Baikov,Chetyrkin'10] [Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov'12]
- ▶ Not all of them could have five-particle cut, but some could be cut in more than one different way, total number of PS integrals is **31**
- ▶ From the simplest. . .



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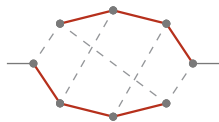


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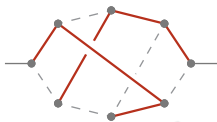


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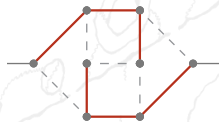
- ▶ ... to the most complicated



$F_{29}$



$F_{30}$



$F_{31}$

# Constructing DRR system for PS integrals

- ▶ Constructed lowering dimensional recurrence relations [Tarasov'96] for all 31 master integrals using package **LiteRed** [Lee'12]
- ▶ Integrals with cuts reduced using **FIRE 5** package [Smirnov'14]
- ▶ After reduction as in the loop-integral case each sector contains not more than a **single master integral**
- ▶ Thus, system have triangular form and drastically simplifies calculations

$$F_i(\nu + 1) = c_{ii}F_i(\nu) + \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} c_{ij}F_j(\nu) \right], \quad \nu = \frac{D}{2}$$

- ▶ Homogeneous system decouple into the set of single equations

$$\mathcal{H}_i(\nu + 1) = c_{ii}\mathcal{H}_i(\nu)$$

- ▶ Large number of problems have been solved due to this property using DRR [Tarasov'00] [Lee'09;Lee,Terekhov'10;Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov'10-11]

# DRA method: solving DRR system

- ▶ General solution of triangular system can be written as

$$F_i(\nu) = \omega_i(\nu)\mathcal{H}_i(\nu) + \mathcal{R}_i(\nu)$$

- $\mathcal{H}_i(\nu)$  - homogeneous solution, from the diagonal matrix element
- $\mathcal{R}_i(\nu)$  - partial solution, depends only on integrals from subsectors
- $\omega_i(\nu)$  - periodic function to be fixed using independent methods

## DRA: Dimensional Recurrence and Analyticity [Lee'09]

Analyze singularities of all the ingredients  $\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{R}, \omega, F$  and fix periodic function

- ▶ To find solution basic stripe  $[\nu, \nu + 1)$  should be fixed, proper choice can greatly simplify evaluation
- ▶ Position of poles and their multiplicity for function  $F_i(\nu)$  on a basic stripe should be known in advance



# Constructing main ingredients

- ▶ For the case of single integral in sector homogeneous system decouples into first order difference equations

$$\mathcal{H}_i(\nu + 1) = c_{ii}(\nu)\mathcal{H}_i(\nu)$$

- ▶ For  $c_{ii}$  rational function of  $\nu$  in form:

$$c_{ii}(\nu) = c \frac{(\nu - a_1)(\nu - a_2) \dots (\nu - a_A)}{(\nu - b_1)(\nu - b_2) \dots (\nu - b_B)}$$

- ▶ We can write one of the possible solutions explicitly:

$$\mathcal{H}(\nu) = c^\nu \frac{\Gamma(\nu - a_1)\Gamma(\nu - a_2) \dots \Gamma(\nu - a_A)}{\Gamma(\nu - b_1)\Gamma(\nu - b_2) \dots \Gamma(\nu - b_B)}$$

- ▶ Partial solution for high precision numerical evaluation can be constructed from the known DRR system and provided set of homogeneous solutions using package **DREAM** [Lee,Mingulov'17]

**Last step - to fix periodic function  $\omega(\nu)$**

# Fixing periodic function



# From periodic functions to unknown coefficients

- ▶ Once we know  $\mathcal{H}_i(\nu)$  and  $\mathcal{R}(\nu)$  we can analyze their singularities in the fixed stripe, periodic function  $\omega(\nu)$  can be thought to be a function of the complex variable  $z = e^{2i\pi\nu}$
- ▶ If all the functions  $\mathcal{H}_i(\nu), \mathcal{R}(\nu), F_i(\nu)$  have only finite number of singular points in the stripe, we can fix  $\omega(\nu)$  from finite number of terms of its Laurent series expansion
- ▶ Need to know singularities of  $F_i(\nu)$  in the stripe, in some cases possible to choose a stripe such  $F_i(\nu)$  is holomorphic, e.g.:
  - ▶  $\nu \in [-2, 0)$  - fully massive tadpoles, no IR divergencies
  - ▶  $\nu \in [6, 8)$  - phase-space integrals, no UV divergencies
- ▶ For loop integrals we can use SDAnalyze from FIESTA [Smirnov,Smirnov'11] to find poles of  $F_i(\nu)$  and their multiplicity to construct ansatz for  $\omega(\nu)$ , for poles  $z_1, z_2, \dots$  with multiplicities  $a_1, a_2, \dots$ :

$$\omega(\nu) = c_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{a_1} \frac{c_{k,1}}{(e^{2i\pi\nu} - z_1)^k} + \sum_{k=1}^{a_2} \frac{c_{k,2}}{(e^{2i\pi\nu} - z_2)^k} + \dots$$

# Periodical conditions fixing in PS integrals

- ▶ Easy to find stripe, where  $F_i(\nu)$  holomorphic, hence only single constant need to be fixed
- ▶ Furthermore  $F_i(\nu)$  holomorphic in the whole infinite plane in positive direction, constant can be fixed from asymptotics at infinity
- ▶ Asymptotics at infinity can be obtained using Laplace method for the integral in the form

$$I = \int_{\Omega} dx h(x) e^{\lambda \varphi(x)}$$

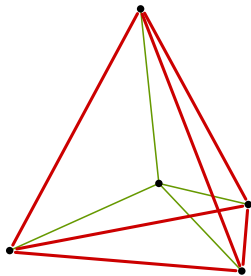
- ▶ If  $\max \varphi(x) = \varphi(\bar{x})$  and  $\bar{x}$  is interior point of  $\Omega$ , then integral  $I$  can be approximates for  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$  by:

$$I = e^{\lambda \varphi(\bar{x})} \left( \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \right)^{k/2} \frac{h(\bar{x})}{\sqrt{|\det \varphi_{xx}(\bar{x})|}} + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda} \right)$$

# Laplace method for PS integrals

- ▶ From the integral over invariants we can obtain asymptotics:

$$F_i(\nu \rightarrow \infty) = \left( \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} \Omega_{2\nu-k} \right) \Delta_n(\bar{x})^\nu \left( \frac{\pi}{\nu} \right)^{\frac{n(n-1)-2}{4}} (\mathcal{C}_i(\bar{x}) + \mathcal{O}(\nu^{-1}))$$



- ▶ Point  $\bar{x}$  is a maximum of  $\Delta_n$
- ▶  $n$ -particle Gram determinant equal to the volume of  $n$ -hedron
- ▶ In the limit  $D \rightarrow \infty$  maximal volume corresponds to the regular  $n$ -hedron
- ▶ Angles between all pairs of vectors are equal

$$s_{ii} = 0, s_{ij} = \frac{2}{n(n-1)}$$

- ▶ All integrals have same asymptotics upto the constant  $\mathcal{C}_i$

# Asymptotics of the 1 → 5 PS integrals

- ▶ For the five-particle PS integrals we can find asymptotics of all the homogeneous solutions using function from DREAM package
- ▶ Asymptotics of the partial solution is equal to asymptotics of integrals from subsectors
- ▶ In our case we checked that all  $\mathcal{H}_i, i > 1$  are growing exponentially faster than full solution

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathcal{H}_i(\nu)}{F_i(\nu)} = \infty$$

- ▶ Only option for periodic function is to be equal zero, we fixed all ingredients and can obtain numerical results with high precision

$$\mathcal{H}_1(\nu) = \frac{\pi^{4\nu} \Gamma(\nu - 1)^4}{(2\pi)^4 \Gamma(4(\nu - 1)) \Gamma(5(\nu - 1))}, \mathcal{H}_2 = \mathcal{H}_3 = \dots = \mathcal{H}_{31} = 0;$$

# Numerical results and PSLQ reconstruction

- ▶ Using DREAM package we obtained numerical values for all 31 integrals with accuracy about 2000 digits
- ▶ To reconstruct analytical expression we apply PSLQ algorithm with a basis constructed from multiple zeta values(MZV) up to weight 12
- ▶ Sample result for the most complicated integral up to weight 6:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{31} = & \frac{7}{9\varepsilon^5} - \frac{17}{18\varepsilon^4} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon^3} \left( -\frac{143}{9} - \frac{125}{9}\zeta_2 \right) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \left( \frac{902}{9} + \frac{133}{6}\zeta_2 - \frac{236}{3}\zeta_3 \right) \\ & + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left( -\frac{4190}{9} + \frac{716}{3}\zeta_2 + \frac{1418}{9}\zeta_3 - \frac{265}{6}\zeta_2^2 \right) \\ & + \frac{16892}{9} - \frac{4709}{3}\zeta_2 + \frac{9718}{9}\zeta_3 + \frac{3373}{20}\zeta_2^2 + 1228\zeta_3\zeta_2 - \frac{17612}{9}\zeta_5 \\ & + \varepsilon \left( -\frac{63902}{9} + \frac{22181}{3}\zeta_2 - \frac{68062}{9}\zeta_3 - \frac{377}{5}\zeta_2^2 - \frac{23666}{9}\zeta_3\zeta_2 + \frac{48610}{9}\zeta_5 - \frac{688249}{1890}\zeta_2^3 + \frac{27128}{9}\zeta_3^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

# Integrals with virtual corrections

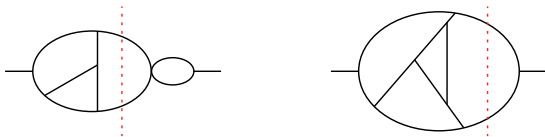




# Warm up: two-particle phase-space integrals

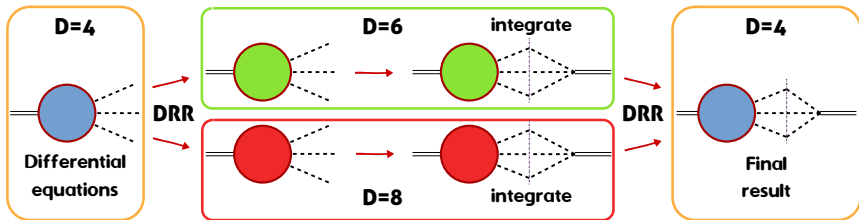
## Situation becomes more complicated:

On top of the complicated IR structure of phase-space integration, integrals with virtual corrections have UV divergencies from the loop integration



- ▶ All **virtual-virtual** integrals are trivial and reducible, due to one-loop part being simply one-loop propagator
- ▶ To calculate **virtual-real** integrals we integrate three-loop massless form-factor over two-particle PS
  1. We prepare system of DRR for two-particle cut integrals and solve it up to finite number of unknown periodic functions
  2. Using results for three-loop form-factor in the form of the solution of DRR [Lee,Smirnov,Smirnov'10] we integrate it over PS and fix unknown functions

# Three-particle phase-space integrals



## Calculation flow:

1. Solve **DE** for loop integrals as series in  $\varepsilon$  near  $d = 4 - 2\varepsilon$
2. Using **DRR** transform it to  $d = 6 - 2\varepsilon$ , where only UV divergencies survive
3. For cross-check transform to  $d = 8 - 2\varepsilon$
4. Integrate each term of  $\varepsilon$ -expansion using HyperInt [Panzer'14]
5. With the help of **DRR** for the cut integrals convert them to  $d = 4 - 2\varepsilon$

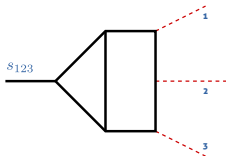
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For **virtual** $\otimes$ **virtual** contribution virtual parts are known for arbitrary  $d$  in terms of hypergeometric functions  ${}_2F_1$  and  ${}_3F_2$  [Gehrmann,Remiddi'01]

# Two-loop boxes with one off-shell leg

## Results up to finite-part (weight four)

Expressible through GPL of two variables  $y = \frac{s_{13}}{s_{123}}$  and  $z = \frac{s_{23}}{s_{123}}$  [Gehrmann, Remiddi'01]



- ▶ System of DE reducible to  $\varepsilon$ -form using Fuchsian

[Gitusliar, Magerya'17]

$$\partial f_i = M_{i,j}(\varepsilon, y, z) f_j \quad \rightarrow \quad \partial g_i = \varepsilon M'_{ij}(y, z) g_j, \quad f_i = T_{ij}(\varepsilon, y, z) g_j$$

- ▶ Basis of integrals  $g_i$  have uniform transcendental weight, system decouples and can be easily integrated order by order in  $\varepsilon$  using properties of GPL

$$g_i\{\varepsilon^n\} = \int M'_{ij} g_j\{\varepsilon^{n-1}\} dy + C_{in}(z)$$

# DE for double box: fixing boundary conditions

- ▶ **Planar topologies** have only branch points  $y = 0$  and  $z = 0$ , other points  $y = 1$ ,  $y = 1 - z$  and  $y = -z$  are regular. Regularity requirement can be used to fix boundary conditions

$$\partial_y f_i = \left( \frac{A_{ij}(y, z)}{1 - y} + \frac{B_{ij}(y, z)}{1 - y - z} + \frac{C_{ij}(y, z)}{y + z} + R_{ij}(y, z) \right) f_j$$

- ▶ Taking limits and nullifying all regular terms we obtain linear systems:

$$0 = (1 - y)\partial_y f_i|_{y \rightarrow 1} = A_{ij}(y, z)f_j|_{y \rightarrow 1}$$

- ▶ **Nonplanar topologies** have only branch points  $y = 0, z = 0$  and  $y = 1 - z$ , other points  $y = 1$  and  $y = -z$  are regular, and can be used for initial conditions fixing

# Conclusion

## 1. $1 \rightarrow 5$

- Constructed solution of DRR, results are reconstructed using PSLQ

## 2. $1 \rightarrow 4$

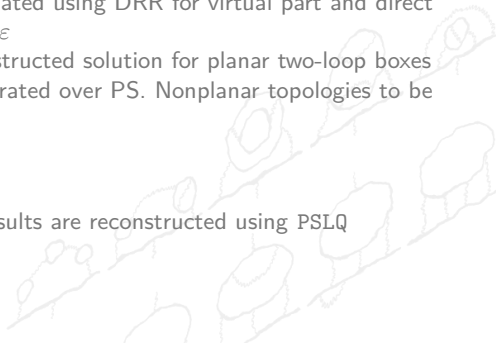
- Needs further investigation

## 3. $1 \rightarrow 3$

- **virtual-virtual** contribution calculated using DRR for virtual part and direct integration over PS in  $d = 6 - 2\epsilon$
- For **virtual-real** contribution constructed solution for planar two-loop boxes with one off-shell leg to be integrated over PS. Nonplanar topologies to be solved separately.

## 4. $1 \rightarrow 2$

- Constructed solution of DRR, results are reconstructed using PSLQ



**Thank you for attention!**

