

Angular integrals for NNLO corrections to Drell-Yan production with a jet in the nested soft-collinear subtraction scheme

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Particle physics needs precision

• 2012: Higgs boson at LHC



 Higgs couplings to heavy particles \rightarrow Up to 5 % - 10 % accuracy SM \checkmark

Possible New Physics at LHC? Any deviations from SM?



Advance in the **precision** program at LHC

- Work underway for couplings
 - Higgs to lighter particles
 - Higgs self-couplings
- Evidence from **non-collider** data:
 - Dark matter
 - Neutrino oscillations



Particle physics needs precision

QCD $\alpha_{\rm s} \sim 0.1$ Hadronic collisions (Quantum ChromoDynamics)

- **Perturbative** calculations at **partonic** level: More orders



 $d\sigma^{H} = f_{i} \otimes f_{j} \otimes d\hat{\sigma}_{ii}$

More precision

• O(1%) precision: next-to-next-to-leading order (NNLO) calculations needed $\alpha_{\rm c}^2 \sim 0.01$

Infrared (IR) singulari







$$_{ii} = (E_i, \vec{p}_i)$$

$$_{ij} = 1 - \cos \theta_{ij} \propto p_i \cdot p_j$$

- Unphysical individually
- Extract the singularities **Subtraction** scheme

General subtraction*

$$\int d\Phi^{(d)}F = \int d\Phi^{(4)}[F - S] + \int d\Phi^{(d)}S$$
Converges
Analytically computable
$$\to MC$$
Analytically computable
$$\to Extract the poles$$
 $1/e^n$

Sum real and virtual contributions

Cancellation of the poles
Finite parts

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 $d = 4 - 2\epsilon, \ \epsilon \to 0$ (Dimensional Regularization)

***local subtraction schemes**





Inside the \mathcal{S} The nested soft-collinear subtraction scheme [Caola, Melnikov, Röntsch, 2017]

• Soft and collinear operators: S_{5}

• **Soft** regulation:

$$F = (1 - S)F + SF$$

= $(1 - S_5)(1 - S)F + S_5(1 - S)F$
Soft regulated

• **Collinear** regulation:

$$(1 - S_5)(1 - S)F$$

Subtracting collinear limits Overlapping collinear singularities

$$S_{5} \equiv \lim_{E_{5} \to 0} \quad S \equiv \lim_{E_{4}, E_{5} \to 0}$$
$$C_{ij} \equiv \lim_{\rho_{ij} \to 0} \quad C_{i} \equiv \lim_{\rho_{4i}, \rho_{5i} \to 0}$$



e.g. Drell-Yan + jet process



Partitioning Sectoring Triple-collinear limits



Inside the \mathcal{S}

- Nested soft-collinear subtraction scheme
- **Drell-Yan + jet** process: $P + P \rightarrow V + j$
- NNLO: two radiated partons

 $\bar{q}(p_2)$

Soft limit Eikonal functions

Finite part subtraction

$$I = \int d\Omega_4^{(d-1)} \frac{\rho_{12}}{\rho_{14}\rho_{24}} \tilde{w}_{5||1}^{41,51} \left(\frac{\rho_{14}}{4}\right)^{-\epsilon}$$

term

 $q(p_1)$ — V p_{4} $llllllg(p_5)$ \mathcal{U} Double real

Intricate IR structure

overlapping collinear singularities

Collinear limit

Partition functions

$$\rho_{ij} = 1 - \cos \theta_{ij} \propto p_i$$

Sectoring





$$\tilde{w}_{5||1}^{4|,51} = \frac{\rho_{24}\rho_{34}}{\rho_{12} + \rho_{13}} \left[\frac{\rho_{12}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24})^2(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{13}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24})^2(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{13}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{13}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})^2(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{13}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{24} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} \right] ring$$

$$I = \int d\Omega_4^{(d-1)} \frac{\rho_{12}}{\rho_{14}\rho_{24}} \tilde{w}_{5||1}^4 \left(\frac{\rho_{14}}{4} \right)^{-\epsilon} \rho_{ij} = 1 - \cos\theta_{ij} \propto p_i$$

$$\frac{\rho_{12}}{\rho_{24})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24})^2(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})^2(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{24} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{12}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24})^2(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{13}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24})^2(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{13}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})^2(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{13}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})^2(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} + \frac{\rho_{13}\rho_{14}}{(\rho_{14} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{24} + \rho_{34})(\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34})} \right] ring$$

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Feynman parameter method From Deep Inelastic Scattering NNLO QCD



• Simpler partition-dependent integrals in DIS [Asteriadis, Caola, Melnikov, Röntsch, 2019]

 $\int_{0}^{2\pi} d\phi \frac{1}{(a-b\cos\phi)^{n}} = 2\pi \times \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=0\\ (a^{2}-b^{2})^{-1/2} & \text{if } n=1\\ a(a^{2}-b^{2})^{-3/2} & \text{if } n=2\\ (a^{2}+b^{2})(a^{2}-b^{2})^{-5/2} & \text{if } n=3\\ & \vdots \end{cases}$

Domain of integration

Integration over *t*:

- Indefinite integral
- Evaluation at extremes





Feynman parameter method To Drell-Yan + jet NNLO QCD

$$I_{1}^{(n_{1},n_{2},n_{3})} = \int d\Omega_{4}^{(3)} \frac{\rho_{14}^{n_{1}}}{(\rho_{14}+\rho_{24})^{n_{2}}} \log^{n_{3}}\left(\frac{\rho_{14}}{4}\right)$$
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$$I_{4}^{(n_{1},n_{2},n_{3})} = \int d\Omega_{4}^{(3)} \frac{\rho_{14}^{n_{1}}}{(\rho_{14}+\rho_{24}+\rho_{34})^{n_{2}}} \log^{n_{3}}\left(\frac{\rho_{14}}{4}\right)$$

$$\blacksquare I_5 = \int d\Omega_4^{(3)} \frac{\log(\rho_{14}/4)}{(a_1\rho_{14} + a_2\rho_{24} + a_3\rho_{34})(b_1\rho_{14} + b_2\rho_{24} + b_3\rho_{34})}$$



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sent in DIS]

- Integration over *t*: evaluation at extremes
- Computed

spurious singularities



Mellin-Barnes method Angular integrals $\int d\Omega_q^{(d-1)} \frac{1}{(p_1 \cdot q)^{j_1} \cdots (p_n \cdot q)^{j_n}}$

- Soft-limit integrals in DY + N jets
- Gamma functions $\Gamma(z)$ have poles at z =
- <u>Caveat</u>: contour separates left poles $\Gamma(\dots + z)$ from right poles $\Gamma(\dots z)$

e.g.

$$\int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} dz \ \Gamma(z+\epsilon) \ \Gamma(-z) \qquad \xrightarrow{-2-\epsilon - 1}$$

$$\int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} dz \ \Gamma(z-1+\epsilon) \ \Gamma(-z) \qquad \xrightarrow{-2-\epsilon - 1}$$



[Devoto, Melnikov, Röntsch, Signorile-Signorile, Tagliabue, 2023]

$$= -k$$
, with $k = 0, 1, 2, ...$

 $\mathcal{I}m(z)$





- Involved contours
- Dependence on ϵ \rightarrow series expansion?
- No straight lines





Mellin-Barnes method



- Several gamma functions
- Multi-dimensional integrals



MBresolve.m MB.m

> [Smirnov, '09] [Czakon, '06]

- List of integrals
- Straight contour positions
- Fully automated





Mellin-Barnes method Three-denominator one-massive:

• Mellin-Barnes representation:





equipped with relative contours

Mellin-Barnes method Three-denominator one-massive: Two variable integrals

$$\int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} dz_1 \int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} dz_2 \ \Gamma(z_1 + z_2 + \dots) \cdots \Gamma(-z_1 - z_1) \cdots \Gamma$$

- Gamma poles at **non-integer** values

Still one integration missing

Particular values --- Elementary functions

Contour integration over second variable



Very general functions: ${}_{2}F_{1}(a,b;c;z)$ Hypergeometric functions

Integral representation

much harder



Mellin-Barr Three-denomina Two variable integrals

$$\int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} dz_1 \int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} dz_2 \Gamma(z)$$

- Gamma poles at
 - Very general
 - Still one inte

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Contour integrati

$$\begin{split} &\Omega_{-1+\epsilon;1;2} = -\frac{v_{12}}{v_{23}^2} \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \frac{\log v_{12}v_{12}}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{2\log(v_{23})v_{12}}{v_{23}^2} - \frac{\log v_{33}v_{12}}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{v_{13}v_{23} - 2v_{12}v_{33}}{v_{23}^2v_{23}} \\ &+ \epsilon \Big\{ \left[\frac{\log v_{33}v_{12}}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{\log \left(1 - \frac{v_{13}v_{23}}{v_{23}^2}\right)v_{12}}{2u_{23}^2} - \frac{2\log(v_{23})v_{12}}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{2v_{12}}{v_{23}^2} \right] \log v_{12} \\ &- \frac{v_{12}\log^2 v_{12}}{2v_{23}^2} + \frac{3v_{12}\log^2 \left(1 - \frac{v_{23}}{v_{23}}\right)}{2v_{23}^2} + \frac{v_{12}\log^2 \left(1 - \frac{v_{13}v_{23}}{v_{23}^2}\right)}{2v_{23}^2} - \frac{2v_{12}\log^2 v_{23}}{v_{23}^2} \\ &- \frac{3v_{12}\log \left(1 - \frac{(r+1)v_{23}}{2v_{23}}\right)}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{3v_{12}v_{23}\log(v_{33} - v_{23})}{v_{23}^2} - \frac{v_{12}\log^2 v_{33}}{2v_{23}^2} - \frac{5\pi^2 v_{12}}{6v_{23}^2} \\ &+ \left[\frac{4v_{12}v_{33} - v_{23}(2v_{23}v_{12} + v_{12} + 3v_{13} - 3v_{23})}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{2v_{12}\log v_{33}}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{3v_{12}\log\left(\frac{(r-1)v_{23}}{2v_{23}}\right)}{v_{23}^2} - \frac{3v_{12}\log\left(1 - \frac{(r+1)v_{23}}{2v_{23}}\right)}{v_{23}^2} \\ &+ \frac{3v_{12}\log\left(1 - \frac{(r+1)v_{23}}{2v_{33}}\right)}{v_{23}^2} - \frac{v_{12}\log\left(1 - \frac{v_{13}v_{23}}{2v_{23}}\right)}{v_{23}^2} \right] \log v_{23} - (\log 2 - \log(r+1)) \cdot \\ &\times \left[\frac{3(r+1)\left(v_{13}v_{23}(v_{23} + 2v_{33} - 1\right) + v_{33}\left(-2v_{23}^2 + v_{23} + v_{12} - 4v_{12}v_{33}\right)}{v_{23}^2} \right] \log v_{13} + \left[\frac{3v_{12}v_{33}}{v_{23}^2} - \frac{3v_{12}\log\left(-\frac{v_{23}}{v_{33}}\right)}{v_{23}^2} \right] \log \left(1 - \frac{v_{23}}{v_{33}}\right) \\ &+ \frac{v_{12}\log\left(1 - \frac{(r+1)v_{23}}{2v_{23}}\right)}{v_{23}^2} \right] \log v_{13} + \left[\frac{3v_{12}v_{33}}{v_{23}^2} - \frac{3v_{12}\log\left(-\frac{v_{23}}{v_{33}}\right)}{v_{23}^2} \right] \log \left(1 - \frac{v_{23}}{v_{33}}\right) \\ &+ \left[v_{13}\left((r+1)\left(v_{12} + 3v_{23}\right)v_{23}^2 + \left(v_{12}(6r - 4v_{23} + 2) - 3(r+1)v_{23}\right)v_{33}v_{23}} - 2v_{12}(5r + 4v_{23})v_{33}^2 + v_{13}v_{23}(v_{23} - v_{33})\left(4v_{33} + v_{23}(r+2v_{33} + 1)\right) \right] \cdot \\ &\times \frac{\log v_{33}}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{v_{12}\log\left(\frac{v_{13}v_{23}}{v_{23}^2} - \left(v_{12}v_{33}} + \frac{3v_{12}\text{Li}_2\left(\frac{v_{23}}{v_{23}}\right)}{v_{23}^2} \right] \log \left(1 - \frac{v_{13}v_{23}}{v_{23}^2} - \frac{v_{12}}{v_{23}^2}\right) \frac{v_{23}}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{2v_{23}}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{2v_{23}}{v_{23}^2}\right) - \frac{2v_{23}}(v_{23}v_{23} - \frac{2v_{23}}{v_{23}^2} + \frac{2v_{23}}(v_{23} - v_$$

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 v_{ij} contain kinematics \bullet obtain integral terms by substitution

etric functions

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Mellin-Barnes method Integral families



 $\rho_{ii} = 1 - \cos \theta_{ij} \propto p_i \cdot p_j$

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Single-denominator massless Two-denominator one-massive **Three-denominator one-massive** Three-denominator two-massive

$$\frac{1}{\rho_{14}^{-1+\epsilon}\rho_{14}(\rho_{14}+\rho_{34})^2} - \frac{1}{4\rho_{12}} 4^{\epsilon}\rho_{12}$$

- Summation of digamma products
- Generalised hypergeometric functions





Conclusions

- QCD corrections to **Drell-Yan+jet** cross section
- It is very demanding due to the presence of involved partition functions for regulating the overlapping collinear limits
- Two approaches:

Feynman parameter method:

- Computed simpler terms

Mellin-Barnes method:

- Applied to non-trivial families with success
- Computed terms **not** feasible with **Feynman parameter method**
- Last missing family

Addressed the problem of computing angular integrals which contribute to NNLO

Small margin of improvement in generalizing to more complicated terms

Outlooks

- Finishing the computation of **three-denominators two-massive** family:
 - Expected to be more involved but MB integration can be improved
 - Key result for completing the NSC scheme finite part of subtraction terms for DY+jet at NNLO
- Looking further into the future:
 - NSC subtraction scheme is focussing on *n*-parton processes [Devoto, Melnikov, Röntsch, Signorile-Signorile, Tagliabue, 2023]
 - This project would be the starting point for developing a general tool for

Also for processes with same QCD structure: H + i, VBF + i, $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3i$,...

computing similar IR finite integrals appearing in subtraction counterterms

Thank you for your attention

Backups

Particle physics needs precision Experimental Advance in the **precision** program at LHC Theoretical

• Higgs couplings to heavy particles: e.g. $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$





• Higgs self-couplings: e.g. $pp \rightarrow HH$







O(1%)

precision

goal

Analytic computation of subtraction terms **Motivation**

- Analytic integration of **singular part**:
 - **★** Exact **subtraction** of IR poles
- Analytic integration of **finite part**:
 - * Their expression can be directly inserted in codes for cross section computation
 - efficiency and stability

* Reduces the dimensionality of numerical Monte Carlo integrals, improving

Partition functions Properties

Arbitrary expression, respecting:

• Unitarity:

 $k \in \{(41,52); (42,51); (41,53); (43,51); (42,53); (43,52); (41,51); (42,52); (43,53)\}$

$$\begin{cases} w^{ij,kl} | \mathcal{M} |^2 & \text{singular i} \\ w^{ij,kj} | \mathcal{M} |^2 & \text{singular i} \end{cases}$$

$$C_{ij} \equiv \lim_{\rho_{ij} \to 0}$$

• Selection of collinear singularities: $C_{mn}w^{ij,kl} = 0$ unless (m,n) = (i,j), (k,l) $C_{mn}w^{ij,kj} = 0$ unless (m,n) = (i,j), (k,l),or (i, k)

> in the limits C_{ij} , C_{kl} , if $j \neq l$ in the limits C_{ij} , C_{kj} , and C_{ik}



Partition functions Expressions

DIS: $q(p_1) + e^-(p_2) \to e^-(p_2) + q(p_4) + g(p_5) + g(p_6)$

$$w^{51,61} = \frac{\rho_{54}\rho_{64}}{d_5d_6} \left(1 + \frac{\rho_{15}}{d_{5641}} + \frac{\rho_{16}}{d_{5614}} \right)$$
$$w^{54,64} = \frac{\rho_{15}\rho_{16}}{d_5d_6} \left(1 + \frac{\rho_{46}}{d_{5641}} + \frac{\rho_{45}}{d_{5614}} \right)$$
$$w^{51,64} = \frac{\rho_{45}\rho_{16}\rho_{56}}{d_5d_6d_{5614}}$$
$$w^{54,61} = \frac{\rho_{15}\rho_{46}\rho_{56}}{d_5d_6d_{5641}}$$

 $d_{i=5,6} \equiv \rho_{1i} + \rho_{4i}, \quad d_{5614} \equiv \rho_{56} + \rho_{15} + \rho_{46}, \quad d_{5641} \equiv \rho_{56} + \rho_{45} + \rho_{16}$

[Asteriadis, Caola, Melnikov, Röntsch, 2019]

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DY+j:

$$w^{4i,5j}\Big|_{i=j} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\rho_{4k} \rho_{4n} \rho_{5k} \rho_{5n}}{d_4 d_5} \left[\left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5k}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4i}} + \frac{1}{d_{4k}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5k}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{4i}}{d_{45ni}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4i}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5k}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{4i}}{d_{45ni}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4i}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5k}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{4i}}{d_{45ni}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5i}} + \frac{1}{d_{5n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \right) \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{45in}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \frac{\rho_{5i}}{d_{4n}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}} \frac{\rho_{5$$

$$w^{4i,5j}\Big|_{i\neq j} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\rho_{4k}\rho_{4n}\rho_{5l}\rho_{5m}}{d_4d_5} \left(\frac{1}{d_{4k}} + \frac{1}{d_{4n}}\right) \left(\frac{1}{d_{5l}} + \frac{1}{d_{5m}}\right) \frac{\rho_{45}}{d_{45ij}}$$
$$d_{i\in[4,5]} = \sum_{j=1}^3 \rho_{ij}, \quad d_{i\in[4,5]k} = \sum_{j=1,j\neq k}^3 \rho_{ij}, \quad d_{45ij} = \rho_{45} + \rho_{4i} + \rho_{5j}$$

[Boughezal, Caola, Melnikov, Petriello, and Schulze, 2015]



Sectoring

$$\begin{split} 1 &= \theta \left(\eta_{51} < \frac{\eta_{41}}{2} \right) + \theta \left(\frac{\eta_{41}}{2} < \eta_{51} < \eta_{41} \right) + \theta \left(\eta_{41} < \frac{\eta_{51}}{2} \right) + \theta \left(\frac{\eta_{51}}{2} < \eta_{41} < \eta_{51} \right) \\ &\equiv \theta^{(a)} + \theta^{(b)} + \theta^{(c)} + \theta^{(d)}, \end{split}$$

• The triple-collinear limits will be separated:

$$1 = \sum_{k} w^{k} = \sum_{(ij)\in dc} w^{4i,5j} + \sum_{i\in tc} w^{4i,5i} \left[\theta^{(a)} + \theta^{(b)} + \theta^{(c)} + \theta^{(d)}\right],$$



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Feynman parameter method Integral expression

$$\int \frac{\left[d\Omega_{4}^{(d-1)}\right]}{\left[\Omega^{(d-2)}\right]} \frac{1}{\rho_{14}} \left[\frac{\rho_{12}}{\rho_{24}} \tilde{w}_{5||1}^{41,51} - 1\right] \left[\left(\frac{\rho_{14}}{4}\right)^{-\epsilon} - 1\right] = \\ = -\frac{\epsilon}{2\pi} \int d\Omega_{4}^{(3)} \frac{1}{\rho_{14}} \left[\frac{\rho_{12}}{\rho_{24}} \tilde{w}_{5||1}^{41,51} - 1\right] \log\left(\frac{\rho_{14}}{4}\right) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2})$$

Feynman parameter method Rationalization of the denominator

Completing the square

• Denominators with $\cos \theta$, $\cos^2 \theta$ written as $(\cos \theta + shift)^2 + \cdots$

Rationalization

• Change of variables:

$$\tilde{x} \longrightarrow k \frac{2t}{t^2 - 1}, \quad k = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}}$$



Notation for Mellin-Barnes method

- **# denominators**
- # masses: $p_1^2 = p_2^2 = p_3^2 = 0$ massless e.g. $\rho_{14} + \rho_{24} + \rho_{34} \propto (p_1 + p_2 + p_3) \cdot p_4$ k → Sum no longer *massless*: $k^2 \neq 0$ massive

$$\rho_{ij} = 1 - \cos \theta_{ij} \propto p_i \cdot p_j$$



