One-loop integrals, AMFlow, and dimension-changing transformation

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Quantum field theory

> The foundational theoretical framework of physics

- Particle physics, nuclear physics
- Many-body quantum system, cold atom physics
- Gravitational waves
- ...In future

> Two ways to solve QFT

- Perturbation theory
- Non-perturbative methods
- Complementary to each other

Perturbative QFT computation

- 1. Generate Feynman amplitudes
 - Feynman diagrams and Feynman rules
 - Amplitudes: linear combinations of Feynman loop integrals with rational coefficients

2. Calculate Feynman loop integrals (FIs)

3. Perform phase-space integrations

- Monte Carlo simulation with IR subtractions
- Relating to loop integrals via reverse unitarity

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}^D p}{(2\pi)^D} (2\pi) \delta_+(p^2) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^D p}{(2\pi)^D} \left(\frac{\mathrm{i}}{p^2 + \mathrm{i}0^+} + \frac{-\mathrm{i}}{p^2 - \mathrm{i}0^+} \right)$$

Mainstream strategy to compute FIs

> Reduce plenty of FIs to much less bases (master integrals)

• A family of FIs form a FINITE-dim. linear space Proved by: Smirnov, Petukhov, 1004.4199

$$I_{\vec{\nu}} = \sum_{i=1}^{M} c_i I_i$$

• Using integration-by-parts identities, powered by Laporta's algorithm

Laporta, 0102033

• Public codes: AIR, FIRE, LiteRed, Reduze, Kira, FiniteFlow, NeatIBP, Blade...

Compute Master integrals

- One-loop MIs
- Multi-loop MIs

See Bo Feng's talk for one-loop reduction

See Wen Chen's talk for multi-loop computation

History of one-loop FIs computation

Analytical results up to 4 points

Scalar One Loop Integrals

Gerard 't Hooft (Utrecht U.), M.J.G. Veltman (Utrecht U.) (Nov, 1978)

Published in: Nucl.Phys.B 153 (1979) 365-401



't Hooft Veltman

> Numerical stable version, implemented in FF package

New Algorithms for One Loop Integrals

G.J. van Oldenborgh (NIKHEF, Amsterdam), J.A.M. Vermaseren (NIKHEF, Amsterdam) (Oct, 1989)

Published in: Z.Phys.C 46 (1990) 425-438

History of one-loop FIs computation

> 5-point up to finite part

Dimensionally regulated pentagon integrals

Zvi Bern (UCLA), Lance J. Dixon (SLAC), David A. Kosower (CERN and Saclay) (May, 1993) Published in: *Nucl.Phys.B* 412 (1994) 751-816 • e-Print: hep-ph/9306240 [hep-ph]

Dimensional recurrence relation

$$\hat{I}_n = \frac{1}{2N_n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i \, \hat{I}_{n-1}^{(i)} + (n-5+2\epsilon) \, \hat{\Delta}_n \, \hat{I}_n^{D=6-2\epsilon} \right]$$

• Special case for 5-point

$$\hat{I}_5 = \frac{1}{2N_5} \sum_{i=1}^5 \gamma_i \, \hat{I}_4^{(i)} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

One-loop MIs: used by hundreds times each year



19 pages Published in: *Comput.Phys.Commun.* 212 (2017) 220-238 Published: Mar, 2017 e-Print: 1604.06792 [hep-ph] DOI: 10.1016/j.cpc.2016.10.013 Report number: FR-PHENO-2016-003, ICCUB-16-016 View in: ADS Abstract Service

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Era of precision physics at the LHC

High-precision data

- Many observables probed at precent-level precision
- At least NNLO QCD corrections generally required (plus NLO EW, parton shower, resummation, etc.)



> Higher order computation

- In additional to multiloop MIs, also needs one-loop MIs to higher order in ϵ
- Not available from existed packages

Canonical differential equations method

Choosing proper basis

$$rac{\partial}{\partial s_i}m{I}'(\epsilon,ec{s}~)=\epsilon A_i'(ec{s}~)m{I}'(\epsilon,ec{s}~)$$
 Henn, 1304.1806

> Solution after expanding ϵ : Multiple Polylogarithms

$$G(a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_n; z) := \int_0^z \frac{\mathrm{d}t}{t - a_1} G(a_2, \cdots, a_n; t),$$
$$G(0, \cdots, 0; z) := \frac{1}{n!} \log^n z, \quad G(; z) := 1.$$

- Advantage: can compute to high order in ϵ
- Disadvantage: process dependent, no existed package for non-expert to use

Auxiliary Mass Flow

> Introducing auxiliary mass and taking it to infinity



> Recursively compute vacuum integrals



Liu, YQM, 2201.11637

Zero input; valid to any loop, any spacetime dimension, any kinematics

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Auxiliary Mass Flow

> AMFlow package

Liu, YQM, 2201.11669

Link: <u>https://gitlab.com/multiloop-pku/amflow</u>

• The first package that can calculate any FI (with any number of loops, any D and \vec{s})

to arbitrary precision, given sufficient resource

Efficiency

- Typically costs minutes to days for each phase-space point
- Computing a few points is fine, but difficult for all phase-space points

Impossible $\stackrel{2022}{\Longrightarrow}$ possible $\stackrel{\text{future}}{\Longrightarrow}$ efficiency

Ways to improve efficiency

- 1. Combine AMFlow with differential equation method (currently widely used)
- 2. Mathematica -> C++
- 3. Combining with novel strategy



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AMFlow at 1-loop

> Introduction of auxiliary mass

Liu, YQM, Wang, 1711.09572

$$I^{D}_{\vec{\nu}}(\eta) \equiv \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{D}l}{\mathrm{i}\pi^{D/2}} \prod_{\alpha=1}^{N} \frac{1}{(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha} - \eta)^{\nu_{\alpha}}},$$

$$D_{\alpha} \equiv (l + p_{\alpha})^2 - m_{\alpha}^2$$

• Two limits

$$\begin{split} I^{D}_{\vec{\nu}} &\equiv \lim_{\eta \to i0^{-}} I^{D}_{\vec{\nu}}(\eta) \\ I^{D}_{\vec{\nu}}(\eta) \stackrel{\eta \to \infty}{\longrightarrow} (-1)^{\nu} \frac{\Gamma(\nu - D/2)}{\Gamma(\nu)} \eta^{D/2 - \nu}. \end{split}$$

AMFlow at 1-loop

Flow of auxiliary mass

Differential equations

$$(2\eta - C)\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\eta}I^{D}_{\vec{\nu}}(\eta) = (D - 1 - \nu)I^{D}_{\vec{\nu}}(\eta) + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N} z_{\alpha}I^{D-2}_{\vec{\nu}-\vec{e}_{\alpha}}(\eta),$$

C, z_{α} : calculable using modified Cayley determinant and the Gram determinant

• Solving DEs numerically along negative imaginary axis



Dimension-changing transformation

Split loop momentum

Huang, Jian, YQM, Mu, Wu, In preparation

$$I_{\vec{\nu}}^{D} = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{D-D_{0}}l_{\perp}}{\pi^{(D-D_{0})/2}} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{D_{0}}l_{\parallel}}{\mathrm{i}\pi^{D_{0}/2}} \prod_{\alpha=1}^{N} \frac{1}{(\mathcal{D}_{\alpha}^{\parallel} - l_{\perp}^{2})^{\nu_{\alpha}}}$$

Dimension-changing transformation

 $\delta = D - D_0$

$$I_{\vec{\nu}}^D = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\delta/2)} \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}\eta \, \eta^{\delta/2 - 1} I_{\vec{\nu}}^{D_0}(\eta),$$

Relate one-loop FIs in different spacetime dimensions

Relating to AMFlow solver

Deform contour



• Obtain FIs at any *D* by solving AMFlow once at any given *D*₀

 η_0



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Comparison with LoopTools

Evaluation time: $t/(10^{-3}s)$





 $pi^2=0$, $s=(p1+p2)^2=10$, $t=(p2+p3)^2=-3$, varying m²

LoopTools m^2 DCT/AMF 0.309 10 0.252 0.270 100 0.271 10000 0.247 0.274 0.257 1000000 0.277 0.253 10000000 0.297

Up to finite part in ϵ

11 MIs: (1,1,1,1)(1,1,1,0)(1,1,0,1)(1,0,1,1) (0,1,1,1)(1,0,1,0)(0,1,0,1)(1,0,0,0) (0,1,0,0)(0,0,1,0)(0,0,0,1)

AMFlow (Mathematica version): about 10s

Relative precision As good as analytical expression!

m^2	DCT/AMF	LoopTools
10	5.08e-18	7.08e-16
100	3.49e-17	2.33e-13
10000	4.78e-17	1.67e-10
1000000	1.50e-16	2.34e-10
10000000	1.49e-16	2.80e-8

Higher order in epsilon

Example 1

ε^n	$t/(10^{-3}s)$
0	0.277
1	0.341
2	0.426
3	0.568
4	0.603
5	0.695
6	0.869
7	0.983
8	1.210
9	1.271

- 1.2e-16 precision for every order in ϵ
- DCT: scaling as O(n) easy to compute to high order
- AMF: scaling as $O(n^2)$

More complex example

Example 2



	DCT	LoopTools
$t/(10^{-3}s)$	0.419	0.387
precision	1e-17	1e-15

p1^2=1.01, p2^2=1.02, p3^2=1.03, p4^2=1.04, m1^2=0.99, m2^2=0.98, m3^2=0.97, m4^2=0.96, s=(p1+p2)^2=9.7, t=(p2+p3)^2=-0.1

Pentagon





See also Li lin Yang's talk



	DCT	LoopTools
$t/(10^{-3}s)$	1.97	2.67
precision	1e-15	1e-15

p1^2=0, p2^2=0, p3^2=1, p4^2=1, p5^2=0.511, m1^2=1, m2^2=1, m3^2=1, m4^2=0, m5^2=1, p1*p2=16.3, p1*p3=-1.20, p1*p4=-5.83, p2*p3= -7.55, p2*p4=-5.04, p3*p4=2.54

A total of 29 MIs:

(1,1,1,1,1)(1,1,1,1,0)(1,1,1,0,1)(1,1,0,1,1)(1,0,1,1,1)(0,1,1,1,1)(1,1,1,0,0) (1,1,0,1,0) (1,0,1,1,0) (1,0,1,1,0) (1,1,0,0,1) (1,0,1,0,1) (0,1,1,0,1) (0,0,1,1) (0,0,1,1) (0,0,1,1) (0,0,1,1) (0,0,1,1) (0,0,1,1) (0,0,1,1) (0,0,0,1) (1,0,0,0,1) (1,0,0,0,1) (1,0,0,1,0) (0,0,1,1,1) (0,0,0,1) (0,0,0,1) (0,0,0,0) (1,0,0,0) (1,0,0,0)

Summary

> One-loop FIs: remaining an important topic

DCT+AMFlow: fully systematic and extremely efficient, provides an ultimate solution (arbitrary spacetime dimension)

> Future: improving the efficiency of multiloop FIs computation

Thank you!