

Numerical multi-loop calculations with SECDEC

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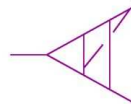
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SecDec

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A program to evaluate dimensionally regulated parameter integrals numerically

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Sector Decomposition

- allows to extract UV and IR singularities from (dimensionally regulated) parameter integrals in an **automated way**
- produces a Laurent series in ϵ
- coefficients are finite parameter integrals
 \Rightarrow **integrate numerically**
- can be applied in various contexts
(e.g. **multi-loop** integrals, NNLO **phase space** integrals)

Sector Decomposition

history:

- originally devised by K. Hepp 1966
(proof of Bogolyubov-Parasiuk theorem on renormalization)
also used by Denner, Roth 1996
- construction of a general algorithm to isolate infrared divergences from multi-loop integrals: Binoth, GH 2000
- meanwhile applied successfully in various contexts, in particular NNLO real radiation
[Anastasiou et al, Binoth et al, Boughezal, Czakon, Denner/Pozzorini et al, Kunszt et al, Passarino et al, Melnikov, Petriello, Smirnov et al, Somogyi/Trocsanyi et al, Weinzierl et al, ...]

Sector Decomposition

public programs:

- `sector_decomposition` (uses `Ginac`) Bogner, Weinzierl '07
supplemented with `CSectors` Gluza, Kajda, Riemann, Yundin '10
for construction of integrand in terms of Feynman parameters
- FIESTA (uses `Mathematica`, `C`) A. Smirnov, V. Smirnov, M. Tentyukov '08, '09
- SECDEC (uses `Mathematica`, `Fortran/C++`)
J. Carter, GH '10; S. Borowka, J. Carter, GH '12; S. Borowka, GH '13

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Parametric integrals

parameter integrals are ubiquitous when calculating higher order corrections

- (multi-) loop Feynman integrals
- subtraction terms for IR singular real radiation at NNLO
- Wilson loop polygons
- ...

Multi-loop integrals

general form of scalar **L-loop integral** with N propagators (to powers ν_j) after Feynman parametrisation:

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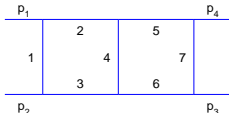
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example planar double box with $p_1^2 = p_2^2 = p_3^2 = 0, p_4^2 \neq 0$: $N = 7, L = 2, D = 4 - 2\epsilon$

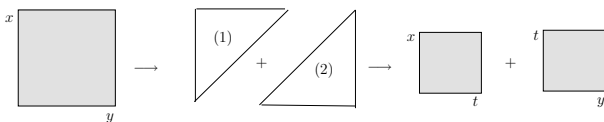
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} = & -s (x_2 x_3 x_{4567} + x_5 x_6 x_{1234} + x_2 x_4 x_6 + x_3 x_4 x_5) \\ & -t x_1 x_4 x_7 - p_4^2 x_7 (x_2 x_4 + x_5 x_{1234}) + \mathcal{U} \sum_i x_i m_i^2 - i \delta \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{U} = x_{123} x_{567} + x_4 x_{123567}$$

$$x_{ijk\dots} = x_i + x_j + x_k + \dots$$



Problem 1: Factorisation of endpoint singularities



UV and IR singularities will show up as **endpoint singularities** of type

$$I = \int_0^1 dx \int_0^1 dy x^{-1-\epsilon} (a_1 x + a_2 y)^{-1} \underbrace{[\Theta(x-y)]}_{(1)} + \underbrace{[\Theta(y-x)]}_{(2)}$$

subst. (1) $y = xz$ (2) $x = yz$ to remap to unit cube

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singularities are **factorized**, number of integrals doubled

Problem 2: Dealing with integrable singularities

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extension of **SECDEC** to **general kinematics**

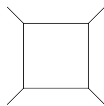
method: deformation of integration contour into complex plane
Soper '99, Nagy, Binoth; Kurihara/Kaneko et al, Anastasiou et al, Weinzierl et al.

Integrable singularities: examples

$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{bubble}} = -p^2 x(1-x) + m^2 - i\delta \quad \text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{bubble}} \text{ vanishing at } x = 1/2, p^2 = 4 m^2 \Rightarrow \text{threshold}$$

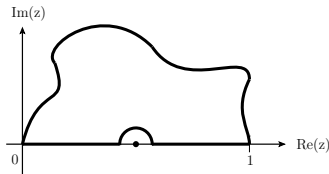
$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{box}} = -s_{12} x_1 x_3 - s_{23} x_2 x_4 - i \delta$$



\mathcal{F}_{box} can vanish inside integration region if s_{12} and s_{23} have different sign

("Euclidean region" if both s_{12} and s_{23} are negative)

Contour deformation



Cauchy: integral over closed contour is zero if no poles are enclosed

$$\int_0^1 \prod_{j=1}^N x_j \mathcal{I}(\vec{x}) = \int_0^1 \prod_{j=1}^N x_j \left| \frac{\partial z_k(\vec{x})}{\partial x_l} \right| \mathcal{I}(\vec{z}(\vec{x}))$$

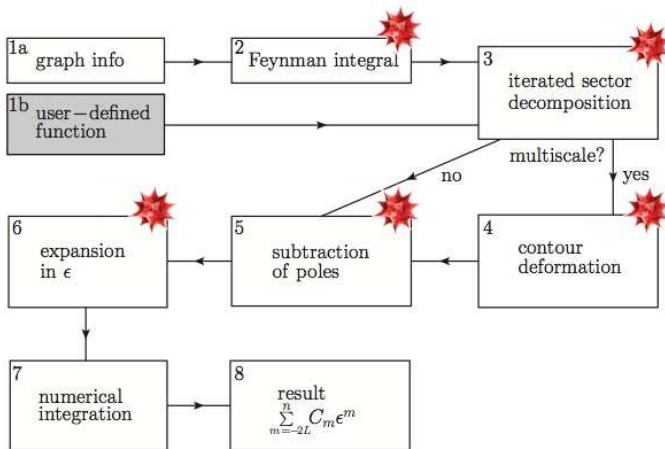
$i\delta$ prescription for Feynman propagators $\Rightarrow \text{Im}(\mathcal{F})$ should be < 0
complexify:

$$\vec{z}(\vec{x}) = \vec{x} - i \vec{\tau}(\vec{x}), \quad \tau_k = \lambda x_k(1 - x_k) \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}(\vec{x})}{\partial x_k}$$

For small λ correct sign of Im part is guaranteed:

$$\mathcal{F}(\vec{z}(\vec{x})) = \mathcal{F}(\vec{x}) - i \lambda \sum_j x_j(1 - x_j) \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial x_j} \right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$$

The program SECDEC



numerical integration: CUBA [T. Hahn et al], BASES [S. Kawabata]

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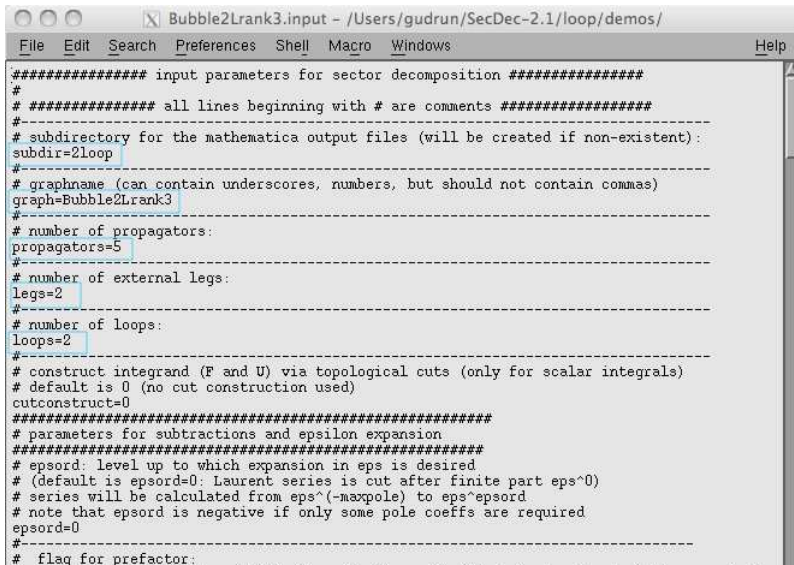
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- **user input:** two files:

- **parameter.input:** parameters for the integrand specification and numerical integration (text file)
 - **graph.m:** definition of the integrand (Mathematica syntax)

Usage: `parameter.input`



```
##### input parameters for sector decomposition #####
#
# ##### all lines beginning with # are comments #####
#-----
# subdirectory for the mathematica output files (will be created if non-existent):
subdir=2loop
#-----
# graphname (can contain underscores, numbers, but should not contain commas)
graph=Bubble2Lrank3
#-----
# number of propagators:
propagators=5
#-----
# number of external legs:
legs=2
#-----
# number of loops:
loops=2
#-----
# construct integrand (F and U) via topological cuts (only for scalar integrals)
# default is 0 (no cut construction used)
cutconstruct=0
#####
# parameters for subtractions and epsilon expansion
#####
# epsord: level up to which expansion in eps is desired
# (default is epsord=0: Laurent series is cut after finite part eps^0)
# series will be calculated from eps^(-maxpole) to eps^epsord
# note that epsord is negative if only some pole coeffs are required
epsord=0
#-----
# flag for prefactor:
```

Usage: graph.m

```
Bubble2Lrank3.m - /Users/gudrun/SecDec-2.1/loop/demos/
File Edit Search Preferences Shell Macro Windows Help

(* USER INPUT: *)

(* give -list of loop momenta (momlist)
   -list of propagators (proplist):
   -numerator: list of scalar products of loop momenta contracted with
   external vectors or loop momenta;
   -list of propagator powers (powerlist), default is 1:
   powers of propagators as listed in proplist *)

(* example is 2-loop 2-point integral with k1.k2 k1.p1 in the numerator *)
momlist={k1,k2};
proplist={k1^2-ms[1], (k1+p1)^2-ms[1], (k1-k2)^2, (k2+p1)^2-ms[2], k2^2-ms[2]};
numerator={k1*k2, k1*p1};

(* optional: give propagator powers if different from one *)
powerlist=Table[1, {i, Length[proplist]}];

(* optional: give on-shell conditions *)
(* note that in constructing F, (pi+pj)^2 will automatically be called sp[i,j];
   pi^2 will be called ssp[i];
   masses m_i^2 must be called ms[i];
   for the numerator, only the replacements given explicitly in onshell will be made *)
onshell={};

(* Dim can be changed, but symbol for epsilon must be the same *)
Dim=4-2*eps;
```

Usage

to launch one run:

```
./launch -p parameter.input -t graph.m
```

to scan over a set of parameter values:

- do decomposition once (exeflag=1 in parameter.input)
- define parameter values in multiparam.input

```
perl multinumerics.pl -p multiparam.input
```


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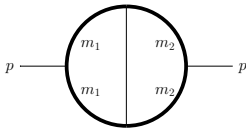
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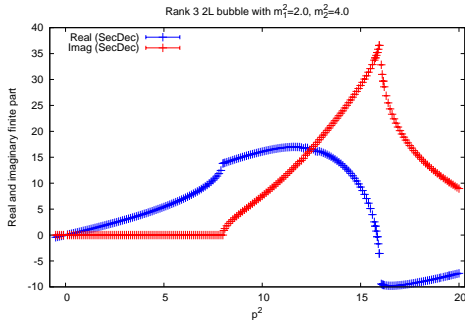
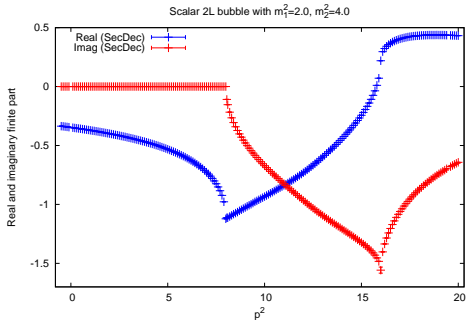
Results: tensor integrals



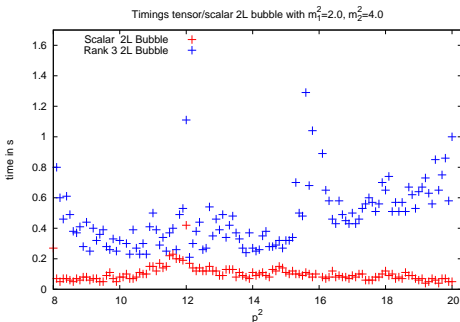
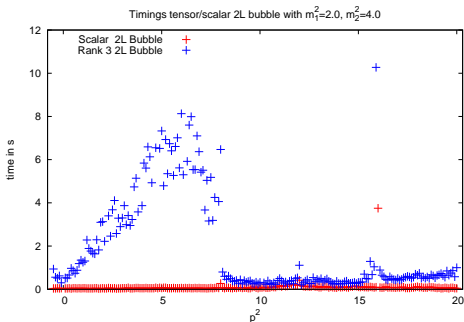
a two-mass two-loop bubble

(analytical result: 1-dim integral representation)

[Bauberger, Böhm '95]



Timings for tensor integrals



relative accuracy 0.1%

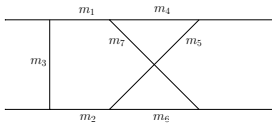
Intel core i7 processor

below 1st threshold at $p^2 = 8$: Imaginary part zero

\Rightarrow artificially increases integration time

good timings for tensor integrals \Rightarrow no need for reduction

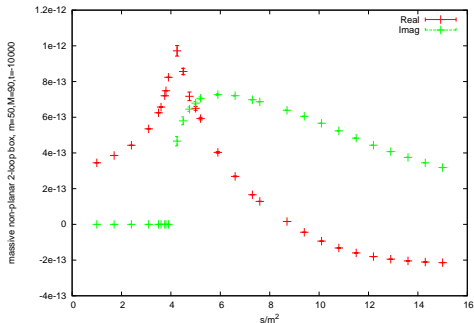
Non-planar four-point functions



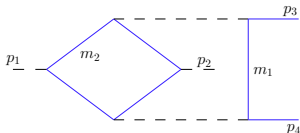
compared with numerical
result from Yuasa et al,
CPC 183 (2012)

$$m_1 = m_2 = m_5 = m_6 = m = 50, m_3 = m_4 = m_7 = M = 90, p_1^2 = p_2^2 = p_3^2 = p_4^2 = m^2, s_{23} = -10^4$$

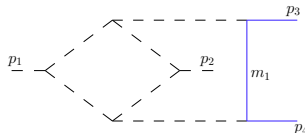
timings: (relative accuracy 10^{-3}): far from threshold: ~ 20 s, close to threshold: ~ 500 s



Non-planar four-point functions for $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ @NNLO



gg1t1: finite
analytic result unknown
(blue lines are massive)

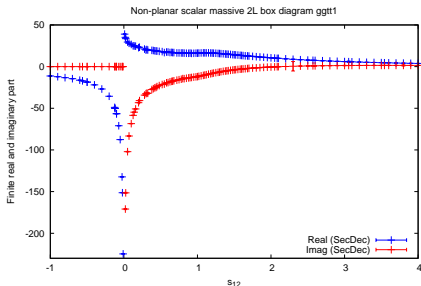


gg2t2: $1/\epsilon^4$ poles
analytical manipulations and
new type of transformations
to assist SECDEC
→ triggered development of code
to allow non-standard input

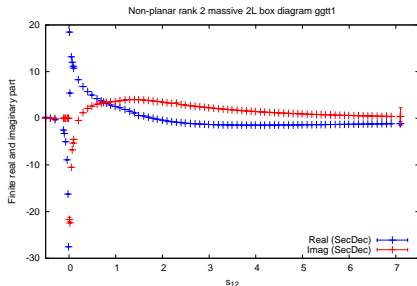
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scalar integral



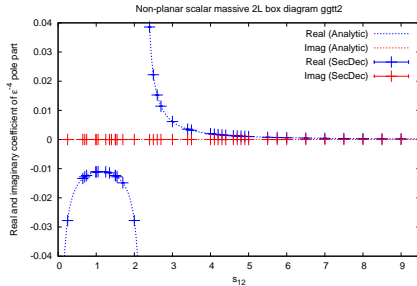
rank two tensor integral
($\mathcal{N} = k_1 \cdot k_2$)

timings per phase space point: (relative accuracy 10^{-3})

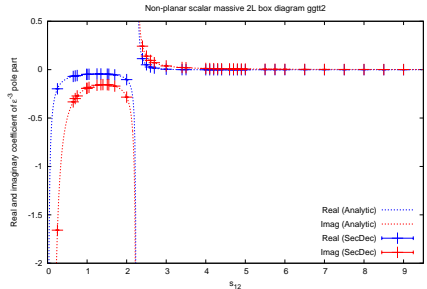
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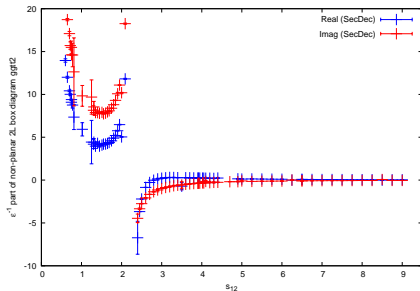
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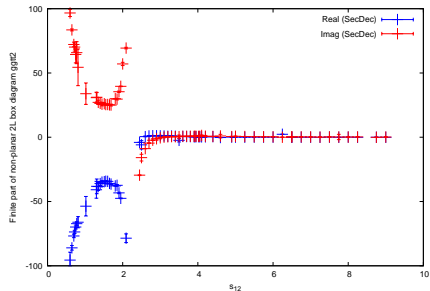
subleading pole

analytical result by Manteuffel, Studerus '12

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$1/\epsilon$ part



finite part

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