

Mathematical Structure of QCD Wilson Coefficients and Anomalous Dimensions

Index-based algebraic relations of harmonic sums, structural relations of Mellin-space integrals and the specific structure of Feynman amplitudes cause this reduction.

DESY

All algebraic relations are derived in explicit form up to weight $w = 6$ and apply to harmonic sums, harmonic polylogarithms and all other objects in the corresponding equivalence class. The structural relations are worked out up to $w = 4$ and the anomalous dimensions γ .



The number of multiple harmonic sums of weight w is

1. Introduction

2. Space Results

Further reduction result from structural relations

3. Multiple Harmonic Sums to Level 6

The number of non-trivial basic functions for $w \leq 6$ which are

4. A Quadratic Law?

(space- and time-like) Wilson coefficients for $w = 0$ is given

5. The 16th Non-Singlet Moment

6. Conclusions

analogous construction of the 16th moment of the non-singlet structure function $F_2(x, Q^2)$ shows agreement with the complete calculation.

1. Introduction

Consider hard scattering processes in massless field theories:

QCD, QED, $m_i \rightarrow 0$

Factorization Theorem Leading Twist:

The cross section σ factorizes as

$$\sigma = \sum_k \sigma_{k,W} \otimes f_k$$

σ_W perturbative Wilson Coefficient

f non-perturbative Parton Density

\otimes Mellin convolution

$$[A \otimes B](x) = \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 \delta(x - x_1 x_2) A(x_1) B(x_2)$$

$$\mathbf{M}[A \otimes B](N) = \mathbf{M}[A](N) \cdot \mathbf{M}[B](N)$$

with the Mellin transform :

$$\mathbf{M}[f(x)](N) = \int_0^1 dx x^{N-1} f(x), \quad \text{Re}[N] > c$$

Observation :

Feynman Amplitudes seem to obey the **Mellin Symmetry**

i.e. to significantly simplify in **Mellin Space**

2. x Space Results

Usual Starting Point of Higher Order Calculations :

⇒ Nielsen type Integrals and their Generalization

$$S_{n,p,q}(x) = \frac{(-1)^{n+p+q-1}}{(n-1)!p!q!} \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z} \ln^{(n-1)}(z) \ln^p(1-zx) \ln^q(1+zx)$$

Special Cases:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Li}_n(x) &= S_{n-1,1}(x) & w &= n \\ \frac{d\text{Li}_2(\pm x)}{d \ln(x)} &= -\ln(1 \mp x) & w &= 1 \\ \text{Li}_0(x) &= \frac{x}{1-x} & w &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{2,-}^{(2)}(x) &= C_F (C_F - C_A/2) \times \\
 &\left\{ \frac{1+x^2}{1-x} \left[\left[4 \ln^2(x) - 16 \ln(x) \ln(1+x) - 16 \text{Li}_2(-x) - 8\zeta_2 \right] \ln(1-x) \right. \right. \\
 &+ \left[-2 \ln^2(x) + 20 \ln(x) \ln(1+x) - 8 \ln^2(1+x) + 8 \text{Li}_2(1-x) + 16 \text{Li}_2(-x) - 8 \right] \ln(x) \\
 &- 16 \ln(1+x) \text{Li}_2(-x) - 8\zeta_2 \ln(1+x) - 16 \left[\text{Li}_3\left(-\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right) - \text{Li}_3\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right) \right] \\
 &\left. \left. - 16 \text{Li}_2(1-x) + 8S_{1,2}(1-x) + 8 \text{Li}_3(-x) - 16S_{1,2}(-x) + 8\zeta_3 \right] \right. \\
 &+ (4 + 20x) \left[\ln^2(x) \ln(1+x) - 2 \ln(x) \ln^2(1+x) - 2\zeta_2 \ln(1+x) - 4 \ln(1+x) \text{Li}_2(-x) \right. \\
 &\left. + 2 \text{Li}_3(-x) - 4S_{1,2}(-x) + 2\zeta_3 \right] + \left(32 + 32x + 48x^2 - \frac{72}{5}x^3 + \frac{8}{5x^2} \right) \\
 &\times [\text{Li}_2(-x) + \ln(x) \ln(1+x)] + 8(1+x) [\text{Li}_3(1-x) + \ln(x) \ln(1-x)] + 16(1-x) \ln(1-x) \\
 &+ \left(-4 - 16x - 24x^2 + \frac{36}{5}x^3 \right) \ln^2(x) + \frac{1}{5} \left(-26 - 106x + 72x^2 - \frac{8}{x} \right) \ln(x) \\
 &\left. + \left(-4 + 20x + 48x^2 - \frac{72}{5}x^3 \right) \zeta_2 + \frac{1}{5} \left(-162 + 82x + 72x^2 + \frac{8}{x} \right) \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

.... several other pages for $c_2^{(+)}(x), c_2^G(x), c_L^{(q,G)}(x)$

⇒ 77 Functions @ 2 Loops

⇒ partly rather complicated arguments

⇒ relations are not directly visible ...

The 77 functions do roughly correspond in number to the number of all possible harmonic sums up to weight $w=4$: 80.

x Space Results

No.	f(z)	M[f](N) = $\int_0^1 dz z^{N-1} f(z)$
1	$\delta(1-z)$	1
2	z^r	$\frac{1}{N+r}$
3	$\left(\frac{1}{1-z}\right)_+$	$-S_1(N-1)$
4	$\frac{1}{1+z}$	$(-1)^{N-1} [\log(2) - S_1(N-1)]$ $+ \frac{1 + (-1)^{N-1}}{2} S_1\left(\frac{N-1}{2}\right) - \frac{1 - (-1)^{N-1}}{2} S_1\left(\frac{N-2}{2}\right)$
5	$z^r \log^n(z)$	$\frac{(-1)^n}{(N+r)^{n+1}} \Gamma(n+1)$
6	$z^r \log(1-z)$	$-\frac{S_1(N+r)}{N+r}$
7	$z^r \log^2(1-z)$	$\frac{S_1^2(N+r) + S_2(N+r)}{N+r}$
8	$z^r \log^3(1-z)$	$-\frac{S_1^3(N+r) + 3S_1(N+r)S_2(N+r) + 2S_3(N+r)}{N+r}$
9	$\left[\frac{\log(1-z)}{1-z}\right]_+$	$\frac{1}{2} S_1^2(N-1) + \frac{1}{2} S_2(N-1)$
10	$\left[\frac{\log^2(1-z)}{1-z}\right]_+$	$-\left[\frac{1}{3} S_1^3(N-1) + S_1(N-1)S_2(N-1) + \frac{2}{3} S_3(N-1)\right]$
11	$\left[\frac{\log^3(1-z)}{1-z}\right]_+$	$\frac{1}{4} S_1^4(N-1) + \frac{3}{2} S_1^2(N-1)S_2(N-1)$ $+ \frac{3}{4} S_2^2(N-1) + 2S_1(N-1)S_3(N-1)$ $+ \frac{3}{2} S_4(N-1)$
12	$\frac{\log^n(z)}{1-z}$	$(-1)^{n+1} \Gamma(n+1) [S_{n+1}(N-1) - \zeta(n+1)]$

Only single sums.

No.	$f(z)$	$M[f](N)$
64	$\frac{\text{Li}_3(-z)}{1+z}$	$(-1)^{N-1} \left\{ S_{3,-1}(N-1) + [S_3(N-1) - S_{-3}(N-1)] \log 2 \right.$ $\left. + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) S_{-2}(N-1) - \frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) S_{-1}(N-1) \right.$ $\left. + \frac{1}{8} \zeta^2(2) - \frac{3}{4} \zeta(3) \log 2 \right\}$
65	$\text{Li}_3(1-z)$	$\frac{1}{N} [S_1(N)S_2(N) - \zeta(2)S_1(N) + S_3(N)$ $- S_{2,1}(N) + \zeta(3)]$
66	$\frac{\text{Li}_3(1-z)}{1-z}$	$-S_{1,1,2}(N-1) + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) S_1^2(N-1) + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) S_2(N-1)$ $-\zeta(3) S_1(N-1) + \frac{2}{5} \zeta^2(2)$
67	$\frac{\text{Li}_3(1-z)}{1+z}$	$(-1)^{N-1} \left[S_{-1,1,2}(N-1) - \zeta(2) S_{-1,1}(N-1) \right.$ $\left. + \zeta(3) S_{-1}(N-1) + \text{Li}_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{9}{20} \zeta^2(2) \right.$ $\left. + \frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) \log 2 + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) \log^2 2 + \frac{1}{24} \log^4 2 \right]$
68	$\text{Li}_3\left(\frac{1-z}{1+z}\right)$ $-\text{Li}_3\left(-\frac{1-z}{1+z}\right)$	$\frac{(-1)^N}{N} \left[-S_{-1,2}(N) - S_{-2,1}(N) + S_1(N)S_{-2}(N) \right.$ $\left. + S_{-3}(N) \right.$ $\left. + \zeta(2) S_{-1}(N) + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) S_1(N) - \frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) + \frac{3}{2} \zeta(2) \log 2 \right]$ $+\frac{1}{N} \left[-S_{-1,-2}(N) - S_{2,1}(N) + S_1(N)S_2(N) + S_3(N) \right.$ $\left. - \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) S_{-1}(N) - \zeta(2) S_1(N) + \frac{21}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{3}{2} \zeta(2) \log 2 \right]$
69	$\frac{1}{1+z} \left[\text{Li}_3\left(\frac{1-z}{1+z}\right) \right.$ $\left. - \text{Li}_3\left(-\frac{1-z}{1+z}\right) \right]$	$(-1)^{N-1} \left\{ \underline{S_{1,1,-2}(N-1) - S_{1,-1,2}(N-1)} \right.$ $\left. + \underline{S_{-1,1,2}(N-1) - S_{-1,-1,-2}(N-1)} \right.$ $\left. + 2\zeta(2) S_{1,-1}(N-1) + \frac{1}{4} \zeta(2) S_1^2(N-1) - \frac{1}{4} \zeta(2) S_{-1}^2(N-1) \right.$ $\left. - \zeta(2) S_1(N-1) S_{-1}(N-1) - \zeta(2) S_{-2}(N-1) \right.$ $\left. - \left[\frac{7}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{3}{2} \zeta(2) \log 2 \right] S_1(N-1) \right.$ $\left. + \left[\frac{21}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{3}{2} \zeta(2) \log 2 \right] S_{-1}(N-1) \right.$ $\left. - 2\text{Li}_4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{19}{40} \zeta^2(2) + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) \log^2 2 - \frac{1}{12} \log^4 2 \right\}$

2 loop coefficient functions \implies Nested Harmonic Sums of
Weight $w = 4$

x Space Results

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{-1,-1,-2}(N) = & \\
 & (-1)^{N+1} \mathbf{M} \left\{ \frac{1}{1+x} [F_1(x) + \log(1-x) \text{Li}_2(-x)] \right\} (N) \\
 & + (-1)^{N+1} \mathbf{M} \left\{ \frac{1}{1+x} \left[\frac{1}{2} S_{1,2}(x^2) - S_{1,2}(x) - S_{1,2}(-x) \right] \right\} (N) \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) [S_{-1,1}(N) - S_{-1,-1}(N)] \\
 & + \left[\frac{9}{8} \zeta(3) - \frac{3}{2} \zeta(2) \log(2) - \frac{1}{6} \log^3(2) \right] S_{-1}(N) \\
 & - \frac{1}{10} \zeta(2)^2 + \frac{17}{8} \zeta(3) \log(2) - \frac{7}{4} \zeta(2) \log^2(2) - \frac{1}{6} \log^4(2)
 \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_1(x) = & S_{1,2} \left(\frac{1-x}{2} \right) + S_{1,2}(1-x) - S_{1,2} \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x} \right) \\
 & + S_{1,2} \left(\frac{1}{1+x} \right) - \ln(2) \left(\frac{1-x}{2} \right) \\
 & + \frac{1}{2} \ln^2(2) \ln \left(\frac{1+x}{2} \right) - \ln(2) \text{Li}_2 \left(\frac{1-x}{1+x} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$F_1(x)$, although of complicated structure, it reduces completely via algebraic relations

⇒ Mellin polynomial of simpler objects

These objects can be very complicated integrals. J.B., van Neerven, Ravindran, Kawamura 2000, 2003

3. Multiple Harmonic Sums to Level 6

The simplest example :

$$P_{qq}(x) = \left(\frac{1+x^2}{1-x} \right)_+ = \frac{2}{(1-x)_+} + \dots$$
$$\int_0^1 dx \frac{x^{N-1}}{(1-x)_+} = - \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} \int_0^1 dx x^k = - \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{k} = -S_1(N-1)$$

Alternating sums :

$$S_{-1}(N-1) = (-1)^{N-1} \mathbf{M} \left[\frac{1}{1+x} \right] (N) - \ln(2) = \int_0^1 dx \frac{x^{N-1}}{(1-x)_+} = \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{(-1)^k}{k}$$

(Finite for $N \rightarrow \infty$.)

General case :

$$S_{a_1, \dots, a_l}(N) = \sum_{k_1=1}^N \frac{(\text{sign}(a_1))^{k_1}}{k_1^{|a_1|}} \sum_{k_2=1}^N \frac{(\text{sign}(a_2))^{k_2}}{k_2^{|a_2|}} \dots$$

Vermaseren, 1997

All Mellin transforms occurring in massless Field Theories for 1-Parameter Quantities can be represented by Harmonic Sums (at least to 3-loop order).

Algebraic Relations

First relation:

L. Euler, 1775

$$S_{m,n} + S_{n,m} = S_m \cdot S_n + S_{m+n}, \quad m, n > 0$$

Generalized to alternating sums by

$$\begin{aligned} S_{m,n} + S_{n,m} &= S_m \cdot S_n + S_{m \wedge n}, \\ m \wedge n &= [|m| + |n|] \operatorname{sign}(m) \operatorname{sign}(n) \end{aligned}$$

Ternary relations: Sita Ramachandra Rao, 1984,

4-ary relation: J.B., Kurth, 1998.

These & other relations hold widely independent
of their **Value** and **Type**.

Determined by : • Index Structure
• Multiplication Relation

The Formalism applies as well to the Harmonic Polylogarithms.
Remiddi, Vermaseren, 1999.

Application to QED: T. Riemann et al., 2004

Linear Representations of Mellin Transform by Harmonic Sums:

$$\mathbf{M}[F_w(x)](N) = S_{k_1, \dots, k_m}^w(N) + P\left(S_{k_1, \dots, k_r}^{\tau'}, \sigma_{k_1, \dots, k_p}^{\tau''}\right)$$

$$w = \sum_{i=1}^m |k_i| \quad \text{Weight}$$

$$\tau', \tau'' < w \quad P \text{ is a polynomial.}$$

w	#	Σ	
1	2	2	
2	6	8	
3	18	26	2 Loop anom. Dimensions
4	54	80	2 Loop Wilson Coefficients
5	162	242	3 Loop anom. Dimensions
6	486	728	3 Loop Wilson Coefficients
$2 \cdot 3^{w-1}$		$3^w - 1$	

Shuffle Products

Depth 2:

$$S_{a_1}(N) \sqcup\sqcup S_{a_2}(N) = S_{a_1, a_2}(N) + S_{a_2, a_1}(N)$$

Depth 3:

$$S_{a_1}(N) \sqcup\sqcup S_{a_2, a_3}(N) = S_{a_1, a_2, a_3}(N) + S_{a_2, a_1, a_3}(N) + S_{a_2, a_3, a_1}(N)$$

Depth 4:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{a_1}(N) \sqcup\sqcup S_{a_2, a_3, a_4}(N) &= S_{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4}(N) + S_{a_2, a_1, a_3, a_4}(N) + S_{a_2, a_3, a_1, a_4}(N) \\ &+ S_{a_2, a_3, a_4, a_1}(N) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{a_1, a_2}(N) \sqcup\sqcup S_{a_3, a_4}(N) &= S_{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4}(N) + S_{a_1, a_3, a_2, a_4}(N) + S_{a_1, a_3, a_4, a_2}(N) \\ &+ S_{a_3, a_4, a_1, a_2}(N) + S_{a_3, a_1, a_4, a_2}(N) + S_{a_3, a_1, a_2, a_4}(N) \end{aligned}$$

Depth 5:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{a_1}(N) \sqcup\sqcup S_{a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5}(N) &= S_{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5}(N) + S_{a_2, a_1, a_3, a_4, a_5}(N) \\ &+ S_{a_2, a_3, a_1, a_4, a_5}(N) + S_{a_2, a_3, a_4, a_1, a_5}(N) \\ &+ S_{a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_1}(N) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{a_1, a_2}(N) \sqcup\sqcup S_{a_3, a_4, a_5}(N) &= S_{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5}(N) + S_{a_1, a_3, a_2, a_4, a_5}(N) \\ &+ S_{a_1, a_3, a_4, a_2, a_5}(N) + S_{a_1, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_2}(N) \\ &+ S_{a_3, a_1, a_2, a_4, a_5}(N) + S_{a_3, a_1, a_4, a_2, a_5}(N) \\ &+ S_{a_3, a_1, a_4, a_5, a_2}(N) + S_{a_3, a_4, a_5, a_1, a_2}(N) \\ &+ S_{a_3, a_4, a_1, a_5, a_2}(N) + S_{a_3, a_4, a_1, a_2, a_5}(N) \end{aligned}$$

Depth 6:

Algebraic Equations

Depth 2:

$$S_{a_1}(N) \sqcup \sqcup S_{a_2}(N) - S_{a_1}(N)S_{a_2}(N) - S_{a_1 \wedge a_2}(N) = 0$$

Depth 3:

$$S_{a_1}(N) \sqcup \sqcup S_{a_2, a_3}(N) - S_{a_1}(N)S_{a_2, a_3}(N) - S_{a_1 \wedge a_2, a_3}(N) - S_{a_2, a_1 \wedge a_3}(N) = 0$$

Depth 4:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{a_1}(N) \sqcup \sqcup S_{a_2, a_3, a_4}(N) &- S_{a_1}(N)S_{a_2, a_3, a_4}(N) - S_{a_1 \wedge a_2, a_3, a_4}(N) \\ &- S_{a_2, a_1 \wedge a_3, a_4}(N) - S_{a_2, a_3, a_1 \wedge a_4}(N) = 0 \\ S_{a_1, a_2}(N) \sqcup \sqcup S_{a_3, a_4}(N) &- S_{a_1, a_2}(N)S_{a_3, a_4}(N) - S_{a_1, a_2 \wedge a_3, a_4}(N) \\ &- S_{a_1, a_3, a_2 \wedge a_4}(N) - S_{a_3, a_1 \wedge a_4, a_2}(N) \\ &- S_{a_3, a_1, a_2 \wedge a_4}(N) - S_{a_1 \wedge a_3, a_2, a_4}(N) \\ &- S_{a_1 \wedge a_3, a_4, a_2}(N) + S_{a_1 \wedge a_3, a_2 \wedge a_4} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Depth 5:

Basic Sums = # Permutations - # Independent Equations

Some Solution for $d = 6$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{a,a,a,a,b,b} = & \\
 & -\frac{1}{4} S_a S_{b,a,a,a,b} + \frac{3}{4} S_{a \wedge b,a,a,a,b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{b,a,a,a,a \wedge b} + \frac{1}{12} S_a S_{a,a,b,b,a} + S_{a,a,a,a,b \wedge b} \\
 & -\frac{1}{12} S_{a \wedge a,b,b,a,a} - \frac{1}{12} S_{a,b,b,a \wedge a,a} - \frac{1}{12} S_{a,b,b,a,a \wedge a} - \frac{1}{4} S_{b,a \wedge a,a,a,b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{b,a,a \wedge a,a,b} \\
 & -\frac{1}{4} S_{b,a,a,a \wedge a,b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a,a \wedge a,a,b,b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a,a,a \wedge a,b,b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a,b,a \wedge a,a,b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a,b,a,a \wedge a,b} \\
 & + \frac{1}{12} S_{a \wedge a,b,a,b,a} + \frac{1}{12} S_{a,b,a \wedge a,b,a} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a,a,a,b,a \wedge b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a,a,b,a,a \wedge b} + \frac{1}{12} S_{a,a,a \wedge b,b,a} \\
 & + \frac{3}{4} S_{a,a,a \wedge b,a,b} - S_{b,b,a,a,a,a} + \frac{1}{4} S_{b,b,a,a \wedge a,a} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a \wedge a,a,a,b,b} + \frac{1}{12} S_{a,b,a,b,a \wedge a} \\
 & + \frac{1}{12} S_{b,a \wedge a,a,b,a} + \frac{1}{12} S_{b,a,a \wedge a,b,a} + \frac{1}{12} S_{b,a,a,b,a \wedge a} - \frac{1}{12} S_{b,a \wedge a,b,a,a} - \frac{1}{12} S_{b,a,b,a \wedge a} \\
 & + \frac{1}{4} S_{b,b,a \wedge a,a,a} + \frac{1}{4} S_{b,b,a,a,a \wedge a} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a \wedge a,a,b,a,b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a,a \wedge a,b,a,b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a,a,b,a \wedge a,b} \\
 & + \frac{1}{12} S_{a \wedge a,a,b,b,a} + \frac{1}{12} S_{a,a \wedge a,b,b,a} + \frac{1}{12} S_{a,a,b,b,a \wedge a} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a \wedge a,b,a,a,b} - \frac{1}{12} S_{b,a,b,a,a \wedge a} \\
 & + \frac{1}{12} S_{a \wedge b,a,a,b,a} + \frac{1}{12} S_{b,a,a,a \wedge b,a} - \frac{1}{12} S_{a \wedge b,a,b,a,a} + \frac{1}{4} S_{a \wedge b,b,a,a,a} + \frac{1}{4} S_{b,a \wedge b,a,a,a} \\
 & - \frac{1}{12} S_{b,a,a \wedge b,a,a} + \frac{3}{4} S_{a,a,a,a \wedge b,b} + \frac{1}{12} S_{a,a,b,a \wedge b,a} + \frac{3}{4} S_{a,a \wedge b,a,a,b} - \frac{1}{4} S_{a,b,a,a,a \wedge b} \\
 & + \frac{1}{12} S_{a,a \wedge b,a,b,a} + \frac{1}{12} S_{a,b,a,a \wedge b,a} - \frac{1}{12} S_{a,a \wedge b,b,a,a} - \frac{1}{12} S_{a,b,a \wedge b,a,a} - \frac{1}{4} S_a S_{a,a,a,b} \\
 & - \frac{1}{12} S_a S_{a,b,b,a,a} + \frac{1}{12} S_a S_{a,b,a,b,a} - \frac{1}{12} S_a S_{b,a,b,a,a} + \frac{1}{12} S_a S_{b,a,a,b,a} - \frac{1}{4} S_a S_{a,b,a,a} \\
 & + S_b S_{a,a,a,a,b} + \frac{1}{4} S_a S_{b,b,a,a,a} - \frac{1}{4} S_a S_{a,a,b,a,b}
 \end{aligned}$$

Depth $d = 3$

Index Set	Number	Dep. Sums of Depth 3	min. Weight	Fraction of fund. Sums
$\{a, a, a\}$	1	1	3	0
$\{a, a, b\}$	3	2	3	1/3
$\{a, b, c\}$	6	4	4	1/3

Depth $d = 4$

Index Set	Number	Dep. Sums of Depth 4	min. Weight	Fraction of fund. Sums
$\{a, a, a, a\}$	1	1	4	0
$\{a, a, a, b\}$	4	3	4	1/4
$\{a, a, b, b\}$	6	5	4	1/6
$\{a, a, b, c\}$	12	9	5	1/4
$\{a, b, c, d\}$	24	18	6	1/4

Depth $d = 6$

Index Set	Number	Dep. Sums of Depth 6	min. Weight	Fraction of fund. Sums
$\{a, a, a, a, a, a\}$	1	1	6	0
$\{a, a, a, a, a, b\}$	6	5	6	1/6
$\{a, a, a, a, b, b\}$	15	13	6	2/15
$\{a, a, a, b, b, b\}$	20	17	6	3/20
$\{a, a, a, a, b, c\}$	30	25	7	1/6
$\{a, a, a, b, b, c\}$	60	50	7	1/6
$\{a, a, b, b, c, c\}$	90	76	8	7/45
$\{a, a, a, b, c, d\}$	120	100	8	1/6
$\{a, a, b, b, c, d\}$	180	150	8	1/6
$\{a, a, b, c, d, e\}$	360	300	10	1/6
$\{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$	720	600	12	1/6

Theory of Words

Can we count the Basis in simpler way ? \implies YES.

Free Algebras and Elements of the Theory of Codes

\implies **Particle Physics**

**Only the multiplication relation
and the Index structure matters**

$\mathfrak{A} = \{a, b, c, d, \dots\}$ **Alphabet**

$a < b < c < d < \dots$ **ordered**

$\mathfrak{A}^*(\mathfrak{A})$ **Set of all words W**

$W = a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot a_{27} \dots a_{532} \equiv$ **concatenation product (nc)**

$W = p \cdot x \cdot s$ **p = prefix; s = suffix**

Definition:

A Lyndon word is smaller than any of its suffixes.

Theorem:[Radford, 1979]

The shuffle algebra $K\langle\mathfrak{A}\rangle$ is freely generated by the Lyndon words.
I.e. the number of Lyndon words yields the number of basic elements.

Examples :

$\{a, a, \dots, a, b\} = aaa \dots ab$ **1 Lyndon word for these sets**

$n \rightarrow a's : n_{basic}/n_{all} = 1/n$ $n \equiv$ **depth of the sums**

$\{a, a, a, b, b, b\}$ *aaabbb, aababb, aabbab* 3 Lyndon words

$n_{basic}/n_{all} = 3/20 < 1/6$. Symmetries lead to a smaller fraction.

Is there a general Counting Relation ?

E. Witt, 1937

$$l_n(n_1, \dots, n_q) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{d|n_i} \mu(d) \frac{(n/d)!}{(n_1/d)! \dots (n_q/d)!}, \quad \sum_i n_i = n$$

$\mu(k)$ Möbius function

2nd Witt formula.

The Length of the Basis is a function mainly of the Depth.

$$l_6(\{a, a, a, b, b, b\}) = \frac{1}{6} \left[\mu(1) \frac{6!}{3!3!} + \mu(3) \frac{2!}{1!1!} \right] = 3$$

$$n_6(\{a, a, a, b, b, b\}) = \frac{6!}{2!3!} = 20$$

Weight	# Sums	Cum. # Sums	# Basic Sums	Cum. # Basic Sums	Cum. Fraction
1	2	2	0	0	0.0
2	6	8	1	1	0.1250
3	18	26	6	7	0.2692
4	54	80	16	23	0.2875
5	162	242	46	69	0.2851
6	486	728	114	183	0.2513

↑ 2nd Witt formula

Structural Relations

Seek for further Reduction:

Relations using the Value of the Objects [DESY 04-064]

Use Relations like:

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\text{Li}_2(x^2)}{1-x^2} = \frac{\text{Li}_2(x)}{1-x} + \frac{\text{Li}_2(x)}{1+x} + \frac{\text{Li}_2(-x)}{1-x} + \frac{\text{Li}_2(-x)}{1+x}$$

and similar ones.

Apply Symmetries among Mellin-Transforms of Nielsen Integrals.

Since all harmonic sums are meromorphic functions for $N \in \mathbf{C}$ since they may be represented by Factorial Series Derivatives are not essentially new functions.

$$\mathbf{M}[\ln^k(x)f(x)](N) = \frac{\partial^k}{\partial N^k} \mathbf{M}[f(x)](N)$$

Further Reduction due to the Structure of Feynman Amplitudes

The Lord is mercy, after all!

Analytic Continuation

The Harmonic Sums and Mellin Transforms have to be represented such, that the outer summation index can be analytically continued to $N \in \mathbb{C}$ [J.B., 2000]

- Use precise, adaptive Representations in analytic Form
- Refer to the Representation through Factorial Series etc.
- The **Residue Theorem** is used to get back to x space

4. A Quadratic Law ?

The anomalous dimensions and Wilson coefficients for $m_i = 0$ can be expressed in terms of multiple harmonic sums to 3-loop order.

What are the irreducible functions behind this representation ?

We will not count Euler's Γ -function neither all derivations of the functions occurring.

The final set of functions:

Trivial functions:

$$S_{\pm k}(N) \longrightarrow \psi^{(k-1)}(N+1)$$

For $w = 1, 2$ no non-trivial functions contribute to the anomalous dimensions and Wilson coefficients.

Non-trivial functions:

$N = 3$: Two-Loop anomalous dimensions

$$\mathbf{M} \left[\frac{\text{Li}_2(x)}{1+x} \right] (N)$$

Yndurain et al., 1980

$N = 4$: Two-Loop Wilson Coefficients

$$\mathbf{M} \left[\frac{\text{Li}_2(x)}{1-x} \right] (N), \quad \mathbf{M} \left[\frac{\text{Li}_3(x)}{1+x} \right] (N), \quad \mathbf{M} \left[\frac{S_{1,2}(x)}{1 \pm x} \right] (N)$$

J.B., S. Moch, 2003,

also: J.B., V. Ravindran, 2004.

$N = 5$: Three-Loop Anomalous Dimensions

$$\mathbf{M} \left[\frac{\ln(1+x)}{1+x} \right] (N), \quad \mathbf{M} \left[\frac{\text{Li}_4(x)}{1 \pm x} \right] (N), \quad \mathbf{M} \left[\frac{S_{1,3}(x)}{1+x} \right] (N),$$

$$\mathbf{M} \left[\frac{S_{2,2}(x)}{1 \pm x} \right] (N), \quad \mathbf{M} \left[\frac{S_{2,2}(-x) - \text{Li}_2^2(-x)/2}{1 \pm x} \right] (N),$$

$$\mathbf{M} \left[\frac{\text{Li}_2^2(x)}{1+x} \right] (N)$$

J.B., S. Moch, 2004.

The number of **Non-trivial Basic Functions** seems to grow as :

$$N_w = \theta(w-2) \cdot [w-2]^2$$

Essentially **14 Functions** seem to rule the single scale processes of massless QCD.

This is a rather small number if compared to the number of **possible harmonic sums** $3^w - 1$.

$$\text{Li}_4(x) = L_{x_0^3 x_1} \quad S_{2,2}(x) = L_{x_0^2 x_1^2}$$

$$S_{1,3}(x) = L_{x_0 x_1^3} \quad \text{Li}_2(x) = L_{x_0^{1-1} x_1}$$

5. The 16th of the 3-Loop Non-Singlet Anomalous Dimension of $F_1(x, Q^2)$

Seek for another, blind check of the complete calculation of the NS-anomalous dimension by [Moch, Vermaseren, and Vogt, 2004](#).

The calculation was started far before the complete calculation was completed and is based on the [MINCER](#) algorithm used before by [Larin, Noguiera, van Ritbergen, Vermaseren and Retey, 1994–2000](#)

Moment	CPU time [days]	
	$g_{\mu\nu}$	$P_\mu P_\nu$
2	0.002567	0.002190
4	0.012562	0.020027
6	0.057144	0.059320
8	0.303415	0.332731
10	1.108047	1.219046
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16	236.236352	—

[J.B., J. Vermaseren, 2004](#)

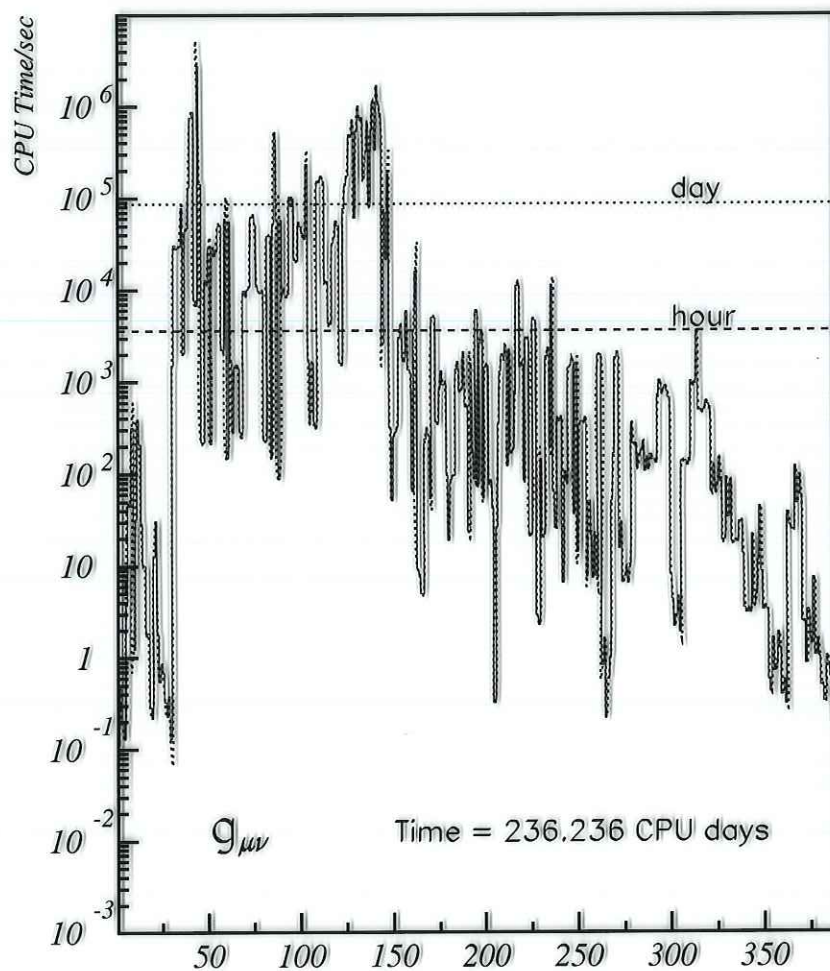
Set-up used: 1 XEON-Dual PC 3 GHz ([Drittmittel](#)) and 1 XEON-Dual 2.6 GHz PC (borrowed from [AMANDA](#)) linked to a 4.2 Tbyte RAID system; partly 1 64-bit OPTERON 4Gbyte (dual)

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Several diagrams stayed in the CPU for [25–40 days](#) each.

⇒ **DESY-Z** urgently needs a Parallel PC-Facility ←
for **FORM** Formula Manipulation

Run-time statistics :



Diagram

Results :

$$\gamma_{16}^{(0)} = \frac{64419601}{6126120} \text{CF}$$

$$\gamma_{16}^{(1)} = -\frac{1176525373840303}{112588038763200} \text{CF NF} + \frac{21546159166129889}{484994628518400} \text{CF CA}$$
$$-\frac{3689024452928781382877}{459818557352009856000} \text{CF}^2$$

$$\gamma_{16}^{(2)} =$$
$$\left(\frac{59290512768143}{1563722760600} \zeta_3 - \frac{58552930270652300886778705063429867}{3451337970612452534317096673280000} \right) \text{CF}^3$$
$$+ \left(-\frac{15018421824060388659436559}{579371382263532418560000} - \frac{64419601}{765765} \zeta_3 \right) \text{CF CA NF}$$
$$+ \left(\frac{1670423728083984207878825467}{6488959481351563087872000} + \frac{59290512768143}{3127445521200} \zeta_3 \right) \text{CF CA}^2$$
$$-\frac{5559466349834573157251}{2069183508084044352000} \text{CF NF}^2$$
$$+ \left(-\frac{1229794646000775781127856064477}{30335885575318557435801600000} - \frac{59290512768143}{1042481840400} \zeta_3 \right) \text{CF}^2 \text{CA}$$
$$+ \left(-\frac{71543599677985155342551355451}{938967886855098206346240000} + \frac{64419601}{765765} \zeta_3 \right) \text{CF}^2 \text{NF}$$

Agreement with : Moch, Vermaseren, Vogt, hep-ph/0403192.

7. Conclusions

- Mellin space expressions of anomalous dimensions and Wilson coefficients are of much simpler structure than the x -space results.
- Index-based algebraic relations of harmonic sums, structural relations of Mellin-transforms of Nielsen-integrals and the specific structure of Feynman amplitudes cause this reduction.
- All algebraic relations are derived in explicit form up to weight $w = 6$ and apply to harmonic sums, harmonic polylogarithms and all other objects in the corresponding equivalence class. The structural relations are worked out up to $w = 4$ and the anomalous dimensions for $w = 5$.
- The number of multiple harmonic sums of weight w is $2 \cdot 3^{w-1}$. The number of the harmonic sums after algebraic reduction is given by the Witt formula(e) yielding a reduction to $\approx 1/4$. Further reductions result from structural relations.
- The number of non-trivial basic functions for $w \leq 5$ which are needed to express the known anomalous dimensions and the (space- and time-like) Wilson coefficients for $m_i = 0$ is given by

$$N_w = \theta(w - 2) \cdot [w - 2]^2$$

- An independent calculation of the 16th moment of the non-singlet structure function $F_1(x, Q^2)$ shows agreement with the complete calculation.