

Transcendental structure of multiloop beta-functions and anomalous dimensions



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**Our input data: numerous analytical results for 5-loop
correlators and RG-functions**

obtained during 18 years (2000 — 2017) by Karlsruhe-Moscow group

composed of

Pavel Baikov, Johann Kühn (KIT) and K.Ch.

Important: essentially all our main results were **confirmed** by independent
calculations during 2017-2018

Massless Propagators (aka p -integrals) & Physics

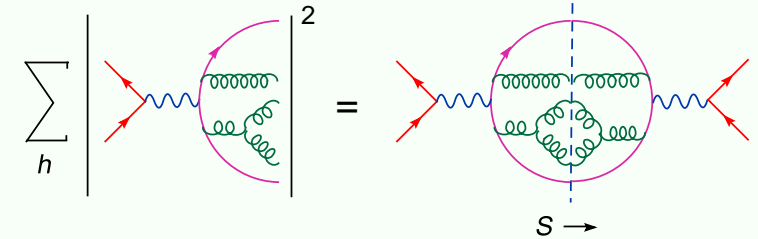
- 2-points correlators at large energies (massless + $\mathcal{O}(m_q^{2n}/Q^{2n})$ corrections) related via the optical theorem to

$$R(s) = \frac{\sigma_{tot}(e^+e^- \rightarrow hadrons)}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}$$

semi-leptonic τ -decays

$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow hadrons)$,

$\Gamma(H \rightarrow hadrons), \dots$



- coefficient functions in OPE (DIS, SVZ sum rules, . . .)
- beta-functions and anomalous dimensions
- massless gluon, quark, etc. QCD propagators (useful for lattice)

OUR TOOLS

- CAS “FORM”, /**Vermaseren** /(1991—...)/
- R^* -operation, **V. Smirnov, K.Ch.**, /(1984—...)/, expresses (L+1)-loop RG functions via L-loop p-integrals
- very useful and important: **NEW** representation of Feynman Integrals which led to a new method of reduction $\rightarrow 1/D$ expansion /**Baikov**, (2000—...)/

Interesting fact:

By now the representation is universally named as “the Baikov’s one” in literature

For experts: no IBP reduction was employed

New Representation of FI's /due to Baikov/:

Feynman parameters:

$$\frac{1}{m^2 - p^2} \approx \int d\alpha e^{i\alpha(m^2 - p^2)}$$

New parameters:

$$\frac{1}{m^2 - p^2} \approx \int \frac{d^d x}{x} \delta(x - (m^2 - p^2))$$

Now for a given topology one can make loop integrations once and forever with the result:

$$F(\underline{n}) \sim \int \dots \int \frac{d^d x_1 \dots d^d x_N}{x_1^{n_1} \dots x_N^{n_N}} [P(\underline{x})]^{(D-h-1)/2},$$

where $P(\underline{x})$ is a polynomial on x_1, \dots, x_N (and masses and external momenta)

New representation obviously meets the same set IBP'id as the original integral but it has much

Our results were published, particularly, in 9 Physical Review Letters:

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QCD β -function in FIVE loops: result

$$\mu^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu^2} a_s = \beta(a_s) a_s, \quad a_s \equiv \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}, \quad \beta(a_s) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \beta_i a_s^i$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4^5 \beta_5 = & \frac{8157455}{16} + \frac{621885}{2} \zeta_3 - \frac{88209}{2} \zeta_4 - 288090 \zeta_5 \\
 + n_f & \left[-\frac{336460813}{1944} - \frac{4811164}{81} \zeta_3 + \frac{33935}{6} \zeta_4 + \frac{1358995}{27} \zeta_5 \right] \\
 + n_f^2 & \left[\frac{25960913}{1944} + \frac{698531}{81} \zeta_3 - \frac{10526}{9} \zeta_4 - \frac{381760}{81} \zeta_5 \right] \\
 + n_f^3 & \left[-\frac{630559}{5832} - \frac{48722}{243} \zeta_3 + \frac{1618}{27} \zeta_4 + \frac{460}{9} \zeta_5 \right] + n_f^4 \left[\frac{1205}{2916} - \frac{152}{81} \zeta_3 \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

n_f^4 term is in **FULL AGREEMENT** with the 20 years old result by John Gracey (in the framework of the conformal bootstrap method of A. Vasiliev, Yu. Pis'mak and J. Honkonen (1981))

n_f^3 term is in **FULL AGREEMENT** with a result by Th. Luthe, A. Maier, P. Marquard and

QCD β -function in FIVE loops: Zeta's

In general any 5-loop beta in any theory will have the following “transcendental structure” (an obvious outcome of our knowledge of the corresponding masters)

1 and 2 loops: rational

3 loops: rationals + ζ_3

4 loops: rationals + ζ_3 + ζ_4 + ζ_5

5 loops: rationals + ζ_3 + ζ_4 + ζ_5 + ζ_6 + ζ_3^2 + ζ_7

$$\beta_1 = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ 11 - \frac{2}{3} n_f \right\}, \quad \beta_2 = \frac{1}{4^2} \left\{ 102 - \frac{38}{3} n_f \right\}, \quad \beta_3 = \frac{1}{4^3} \left\{ \frac{2857}{2} - \frac{5033}{18} n_f + \frac{325}{54} n_f^2 \right\},$$
$$\beta_4 = \frac{1}{4^4} \left\{ \left(\frac{149753}{6} + 3564 \zeta_3 \right) - \left(\frac{1078361}{162} + \frac{6508}{27} \zeta_3 \right) n_f \right. \\ \left. + \left(\frac{50065}{162} + \frac{6472}{81} \zeta_3 \right) n_f^2 + \frac{1093}{729} n_f^3 \right\}$$

QCD β -function in FIVE loops: Zeta's

In reality, the QCD β -function displays a delayed appearance of zeta's (well-known at 3 and 4 loops) which happens also in 5 loops.

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\end{aligned}$$

all possible irrationalities do appear in separate diagrams contributing to the β at 5 loops (about two and half million ($2.5 \cdot 10^6$))

A related puzzle

The seminal calculation /Gorishnii, Kataev, Larin/ of the $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$ Adler function demonstrated for the first time a mysterious complete cancellation of **all** contributions proportional to ζ_4 (abounding in separate diagrams) while odd zetas ζ_3 and ζ_5 survive! The result is π -**free** ($\zeta_4 = \frac{\pi^4}{90}$ and $\zeta_6 = \frac{\pi^6}{945}$)

$$\mathbf{d}_2 = -\frac{3}{32}C_F^2 + C_F T_f \left[\zeta_3 - \frac{11}{8} \right] + C_F C_A \left[\frac{123}{32} - \frac{11\zeta_3}{4} \right],$$

$$d_3 = -\frac{69}{128}C_F^3 + C_F^2 T_f \left[-\frac{29}{64} + \frac{19}{4}\zeta_3 - 5\zeta_5 \right] + C_F T_f^2 \left[\frac{151}{54} - \frac{19}{9}\zeta_3 \right] + C_F^2 C_A \left[-\frac{127}{64} - \frac{143}{16}\zeta_3 + \right. \\ \left. + C_F T_f C_A \left[-\frac{485}{27} + \frac{112}{9}\zeta_3 + \frac{5}{6}\zeta_5 \right] + C_F C_A^2 \left[\frac{90445}{3456} - \frac{2737}{144}\zeta_3 - \frac{55}{24}\zeta_5 \right] \right],$$

the authors wrote: **“We would like to stress the cancellations of ζ_4 in the final results for $R(s)$. It is very interesting to find the origin of the cancellation of ζ_4 in the physical quantity.”**

The situation got even more interesting about 20 years later: the $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$ contributions to the Adler function and to the coefficient function (CF) of

	d_4	$(1/C^{Bjp})_4$
C_F^4	$\frac{4157}{2048} + \frac{3}{8} \zeta_3$	$\frac{4157}{2048} + \frac{3}{8} \zeta_3$
$n_f \frac{d_F^{abcd} d_F^{abcd}}{d_R}$	$-\frac{13}{16} - \zeta_3 + \frac{5}{2} \zeta_5$	$-\frac{13}{16} - \zeta_3 + \frac{5}{2} \zeta_5$
$\frac{d_F^{abcd} d_A^{abcd}}{d_R}$	$\frac{3}{16} - \frac{1}{4} \zeta_3 - \frac{5}{4} \zeta_5$	$\frac{3}{16} - \frac{1}{4} \zeta_3 - \frac{5}{4} \zeta_5$
$C_F T_f^3$	$-\frac{6131}{972} + \frac{203}{54} \zeta_3 + \frac{5}{3} \zeta_5$	$-\frac{605}{972}$
$C_F^2 T_f^2$	$\frac{5713}{1728} - \frac{581}{24} \zeta_3 + \frac{125}{6} \zeta_5 + 3 \zeta_3^2$	$\frac{869}{576} - \frac{29}{24} \zeta_3$
$C_F T_f^2 C_A$	$\frac{340843}{5184} - \frac{10453}{288} \zeta_3 - \frac{170}{9} \zeta_5 - \frac{1}{2} \zeta_3^2$	$\frac{165283}{20736} + \frac{43}{144} \zeta_3 - \frac{5}{12} \zeta_5 + \frac{1}{6} \zeta_3^2 EQN$
$C_F^3 T_f$	$\frac{1001}{384} + \frac{99}{32} \zeta_3 - \frac{125}{4} \zeta_5 + \frac{105}{4} \zeta_7$	$-\frac{473}{2304} - \frac{391}{96} \zeta_3 + \frac{145}{24} \zeta_5$
$C_F^2 T_f C_A$	$\frac{32357}{13824} + \frac{10661}{96} \zeta_3 - \frac{5155}{48} \zeta_5 - \frac{33}{4} \zeta_3^2 - \frac{105}{8} \zeta_7$	$-\frac{17309}{13824} + \frac{1127}{144} \zeta_3 - \frac{95}{144} \zeta_5 - \frac{35}{4} \zeta_7$
$C_F T_f C_A^2$	$-\frac{(\dots)}{(\dots)} + \frac{8609}{72} \zeta_3 + \frac{18805}{288} \zeta_5 - \frac{11}{2} \zeta_3^2 + \frac{35}{16} \zeta_7$	$-\frac{(\dots)}{(\dots)} - \frac{59}{64} \zeta_3 + \frac{1855}{288} \zeta_5 - \frac{11}{12} \zeta_3^2 + \frac{35}{16} \zeta_7$
$C_F^3 C_A$	$-\frac{253}{32} - \frac{139}{128} \zeta_3 + \frac{2255}{32} \zeta_5 - \frac{1155}{16} \zeta_7$	$-\frac{8701}{4608} + \frac{1103}{96} \zeta_3 - \frac{1045}{48} \zeta_5$
$C_F^2 C_A^2$	$-\frac{592141}{18432} - \frac{43925}{384} \zeta_3 + \frac{6505}{48} \zeta_5 + \frac{1155}{32} \zeta_7$	$-\frac{435425}{55296} - \frac{1591}{144} \zeta_3 + \frac{55}{9} \zeta_5 + \frac{385}{16} \zeta_7$
$C_F C_A^3$	$\frac{(\dots)}{(\dots)} - \frac{(\dots)}{(\dots)} \zeta_3 - \frac{77995}{1152} \zeta_5 + \frac{605}{32} \zeta_3^2 - \frac{385}{64} \zeta_7$	$\frac{(\dots)}{(\dots)} - \frac{(\dots)}{(\dots)} \zeta_3 - \frac{12545}{1152} \zeta_5 + \frac{121}{96} \zeta_3^2 - \frac{3}{64} \zeta_7$

Transcedentals: odd zetas: $\zeta_3, \zeta_5, \zeta_7$ BUT NOT even one ζ_4 or ζ_6 (both appear eventually in every separate input diagram /from about 20 thousand!/)

Very recently there has happened a breakthrough* in our understanding of the transcendental structure of all RG-functions, including β_{QCD} , as well as the Adler function and similar objects like C_{Bjp} . As a result, we do understand now and can even predict the exact form of π -dependent terms in RG-functions *in terms of π -independent ones*:

4-loops:

$$\beta_4^{\zeta_4} = \beta_1 \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \quad (= 0 \text{ for QCD as } \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \equiv 0)$$

5-loops (the relation below is, in fact, sitting /in a disguised form!/ in an important paper

[Jamin and Miravitllas](#), *Absence of even-integer ζ -function values in Euclidean physical quantities in QCD*, 1711.00787

which has triggered our work on the π -dependence of RG-functions)

$$\beta_5^{\zeta_4} = \frac{9}{8} \beta_1 \beta_4^{\zeta_3}$$

where ($F^{\zeta_i} = \lim_{\zeta_i \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta_i} F$):

The factorization in the second formula is not trivial at all:

$$\beta_1 \quad (\partial/\partial\zeta_3)\beta_4$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial\zeta_4}\beta_5 = \frac{9}{8}\left(\frac{2}{3}n_f - 11\right)\left(-\frac{6472}{81}n_f^2 + \frac{6508}{27}n_f - 3564\right)$$

while for a case of a generic gauge group it takes the form:

$$\beta_1 \quad (\partial/\partial\zeta_3)\beta_4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial\zeta_4}\beta_5 = & \frac{9}{8}\left(\frac{4}{3}n_f T_F - \frac{11}{3}C_A\right) \star \left(\frac{44}{9}C_A^4 - \frac{136}{3}C_A^3 n_f T_F \right. \\ & + \frac{656}{9}C_A^2 C_F n_f T_F - \frac{224}{9}C_A^2 n_f^2 T_F^2 - \frac{352}{9}C_A C_F^2 n_f T_F \\ & - \frac{448}{9}C_A C_F n_f^2 T_F^2 + \frac{704}{9}C_F^2 n_f^2 T_F^2 - \frac{704}{3}\frac{d_A^{abcd} d_A^{abcd}}{N_A} \\ & \left. + \frac{1664}{3}\frac{d_F^{abcd} d_A^{abcd}}{N_A} n_f - \frac{512}{3}\frac{d_F^{abcd} d_F^{abcd}}{N_A} n_f^2\right) \end{aligned}$$

A word about notations and conventions (goodbye β_0 and γ_0)

we use

$$1. \quad \gamma(a) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \gamma_i a^i, \quad a = \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}$$

$$2. \quad \beta(a) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \beta_i a^i$$

3. Landau gauge for QCD (for simplicity, could be relaxed)

4. G-scheme instead of $\overline{\text{MS}}$ one: all ADs and betas are *not* different from their $\overline{\text{MS}}$ versions but the simplest 1-loop p-integral is tuned to be maximally simple:

$$\frac{1}{i(2\pi)^D} \int \frac{d^D l}{(-l^2)(-(q-l)^2)} = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{1}{(-q^2)^\epsilon} \frac{1}{\epsilon}$$

for finite renormalized quantities: $\left(\ln \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2}\right)_G \rightarrow \left(\ln \frac{\mu^2}{Q^2}\right)_{\overline{\text{MS}}} + 2$

π -structure of p-integrals

We will call a (bare) L -loop p-integral $F(Q^2, \epsilon)$ π -safe if the π -dependence of its pole in ϵ and constant part can be completely absorbed into the properly defined “hatted” odd zetas.

The first observation of a non-trivial class of π -safe p-integrals — all 3-loop ones — was made in [/Broadhurst \(1999\)/](#) An extension of the observation on the class of all 4-loop p-integrals was performed in [/Baikov, K.Ch. \(2010\)/](#) Here it was shown that, given an arbitrary 4-loop p-integral, its pole in ϵ and constant part depend on even zetas *only* via the following combinations:

$$\hat{\zeta}_3 := \zeta_3 + \frac{3\epsilon}{2}\zeta_4 - \frac{5\epsilon^3}{2}\zeta_6, \quad \hat{\zeta}_5 := \zeta_5 + \frac{5\epsilon}{2}\zeta_6 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\zeta}_7 := \zeta_7.$$

Exact meaning: for any 4-loop p-integral F_4 :

$$F_4(\zeta_3, \zeta_4, \zeta_5, \zeta_6, \zeta_7) = F_4(\hat{\zeta}_3, 0, \hat{\zeta}_5, 0, \hat{\zeta}_7) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \quad \star$$

A generalization of the \star for $L=5$ has been recently constructed in [/Georgoudis, Goncalves, Panzer, Pereira, \[1802.00803\]/](#) (and confirmed independently by us)

**Remainder on connection between L-loop p-integrals
and (L+1) loop Z-factors
(a Minimal scheme is assumed!)**

The connection is given by the following (35 years old!) Theorem
(V. Smirnov, K. Ch, /1983/)

Theorem *Any (L+1)-loop UV counterterm for any Feynman integral may be expressed in terms of pole and finite parts of some appropriately constructed L-loop p-integrals.*

Corollary *Any (L+1)-loop anomalous dimension or a beta-function in any theory may be expressed in terms of pole and finite parts of some appropriately constructed L-loop p-integrals.*

\hat{G} -scheme

Let us define the \hat{G} -scheme by pretending that hatted zetas do not depend on ϵ . This means that all p-integrals are assumed to be expressed in term of the hatted zetas and that the extraction of the pole part of a p-integral is defined as:

$$\hat{K} \left(\mathcal{P}(\epsilon) \prod_j \hat{\zeta}_j \right) := \left(\sum_{i < 0} \mathcal{P}_i \epsilon^j \right) \prod_j \hat{\zeta}_j,$$

with $\mathcal{P}(\epsilon) = \sum_i \epsilon^i \mathcal{P}_i$ being a polynomial in ϵ with rational coefficients. The corresponding coupling constant will be denoted as \hat{a} .

The \hat{G} -scheme has some remarkable features. Indeed, one can see just from its definition that the corresponding “hatted” Green function, ADs and Z -factors can be obtained from the normal (that is computed with the G -scheme) by very simple rules.

- As a first step we make a formal replacement of the coupling constant a by \hat{a} in every G -renormalized Green function, AD and Z -factor we want to transform to the \hat{G} -scheme.
- Renormalized Green function $\hat{F}(\hat{a})$ is obtained from $F(\hat{a})$ by setting to zero *all* even zetas in the latter (both are assumed as taken at $\epsilon = 0$).
- The same rule works for ADs and β -functions.
- If Z is a (G -scheme) renormalization constant then one should not only nullify all even zetas in $Z(\hat{a})$ but also replace every odd zeta term in it with its “hatted” counterpart.

\hat{G} -scheme: useful properties and benefits

1. All 2-point (masless, but not necessarily SI) correlators (at least to 5 loops), β -functions and ADs (at least to 6 loops) are π -free in \hat{G} -scheme
2. As \hat{G} -scheme is related in a unique way to the normal G -scheme we arrive to conclusion that π -dependent terms in G - (and \overline{MS} too!) (renormalized) correlators, and RG-functions should be restorable from the π -free contributions *and* the structures of the hatted representations of π -free generators

\hat{G} -scheme: constraints on even zetas

Suppose we know a result for an AD $\hat{\gamma} := (\gamma)_{\hat{G}\text{-scheme}}$ as well as the precise way how hatted zetas are related to the normal ones. The information should be enough to construct the result in normal, say, $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme. Thus, all terms proportional to even zetas in γ should be possible to recover. To do this let us consider the relation between \hat{a} and a :

$$\hat{a} = a \left(1 + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq L} c_i a^i \right),$$

As the bare charge must not depend on the choice of the renormalization scheme the coefficients c_i are fixed by requiring that

$$Z_a a = \hat{Z}_a(\hat{a}) \hat{a}$$

For simplicity we start from the case of 4 loops. On general grounds we can write

$$\beta = \beta_1 a + \beta_2 a^2 + (r_3 + \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \zeta_3) a^3 + (r_4 + \beta_4^{\zeta_3} \zeta_3 + \beta_4^{\zeta_4} \zeta_4 + \beta_4^{\zeta_5} \zeta_5) a^4$$

The corresponding RCs Z_a and \hat{Z}_a read:

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_a = & 1 + \frac{a\beta_1}{\epsilon} + a^2 \left(\frac{1}{2\epsilon} \beta_2 + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \beta_1^2 \right) + a^3 \left(\frac{1}{3\epsilon} (r_3 + \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \zeta_3) + \frac{7}{6\epsilon^2} \beta_1 \beta_2 + \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} \beta_1^3 \right) \\
& + a^4 \left(\frac{1}{4\epsilon} (r_4 + \beta_4^{\zeta_3} \zeta_3 + \beta_4^{\zeta_4} \zeta_4 + \beta_4^{\zeta_5} \zeta_5) + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left(\frac{5}{6} \beta_1 r_3 + \frac{5}{6} \beta_1 \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \zeta_3 + \frac{3}{8} \beta_2^2 \right) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{23}{12\epsilon^3} \beta_1^2 \beta_2 + \frac{1}{\epsilon^4} \beta_1^4 \right) \tag{1}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{Z}_a = & 1 + \frac{\hat{a}}{\epsilon} \beta_1 + \hat{a}^2 \left(\frac{1}{2\epsilon} \beta_2 + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \beta_1^2 \right) + \hat{a}^3 \left(\frac{1}{3\epsilon} (r_3 + \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \hat{\zeta}_3) + \frac{7}{6\epsilon^2} \beta_1 \beta_2 + \frac{1}{\epsilon^3} \beta_1^3 \right) \\
& + \hat{a}^4 \left(\frac{1}{4\epsilon} (r_4 + \beta_4^{\zeta_3} \hat{\zeta}_3 + \beta_4^{\zeta_5} \hat{\zeta}_5) + \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \left(\frac{5}{6} \beta_1 r_3 + \frac{5}{6} \beta_1 \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \hat{\zeta}_3 + \frac{3}{8} \beta_2^2 \right) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{23}{12\epsilon^3} \beta_1^2 \beta_2 + \frac{1}{\epsilon^4} \beta_1^4 \right). \tag{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Equation for c_i can be now easily solved with the result

$$c_1 = c_2 = 0,$$

$$c_3 = -\frac{1}{2} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \zeta_4 + \frac{5\epsilon^2}{6} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \zeta_6 - \frac{7\epsilon^4}{2} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \zeta_8,$$

$$c_4 = \frac{1}{4\epsilon} (\beta_4^{\zeta_4} - \beta_1 \beta_3^{\zeta_3}) \zeta_4 - \frac{3}{8} \beta_4^{\zeta_3} \zeta_4 - \frac{5}{8} \beta_4^{\zeta_5} \zeta_6 \\ + \frac{5\epsilon}{12} \beta_1 \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \zeta_6 + \epsilon^2 \left(\frac{5}{8} \beta_4^{\zeta_3} \zeta_6 + \frac{35}{16} \beta_4^{\zeta_5} \zeta_8 \right) - \frac{7\epsilon^3}{4} \beta_1 \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \zeta_8 - \frac{21\epsilon^4}{8} \beta_4^{\zeta_3} \zeta_8$$

As the coefficients c_i have to be finite at $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ we arrive at the exact connection

$$\beta_4^{\zeta_4} = \beta_1 \beta_3^{\zeta_3}$$

Repeating the same reasoning for $L=5$ and 6 (and similar one for the case of an AD) we arrive at a host of new exact identities for even zetas terms

Model independent predictions for β and γ for any 1-charge theory

$$\beta_4^{\zeta_4} = \beta_1 \beta_3^{\zeta_3}$$

$$\gamma_4^{\zeta_4} = -\frac{1}{2} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \gamma_1 + \frac{3}{2} \beta_1 \gamma_3^{\zeta_3}$$

$$\beta_5^{\zeta_4} = \frac{1}{2} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \beta_2 + \frac{9}{8} \beta_1 \beta_4^{\zeta_3}$$

$$\gamma_5^{\zeta_4} = -\frac{3}{8} \beta_4^{\zeta_3} \gamma_1 + \frac{3}{2} \beta_2 \gamma_3^{\zeta_3} - \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \gamma_2 + \frac{3}{2} \beta_1 \gamma_4^{\zeta_3}$$

$$\beta_5^{\zeta_6} = \frac{15}{8} \beta_1 \beta_4^{\zeta_5}$$

$$\gamma_5^{\zeta_6} = -\frac{5}{8} \beta_4^{\zeta_5} \gamma_1 + \frac{5}{2} \beta_1 \gamma_4^{\zeta_5}$$

$$\beta_5^{\zeta_3 \zeta_4} = 0$$

$$\gamma_5^{\zeta_3 \zeta_4} = 0$$

$$\beta_6^{\zeta_4} = \frac{3}{4} \beta_2 \beta_4^{\zeta_3} + \frac{6}{5} \beta_1 \beta_5^{\zeta_3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_6^{\zeta_4} &= \frac{3}{2} \beta_3^{(1)} \gamma_3^{\zeta_3} - \frac{3}{10} \beta_5^{\zeta_3} \gamma_1 - \frac{3}{4} \beta_4^{\zeta_3} \gamma_2 \\ &+ \frac{3}{2} \beta_2 \gamma_4^{\zeta_3} - \frac{3}{2} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \gamma_3^{(1)} + \frac{3}{2} \beta_1 \gamma_5^{\zeta_3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\beta_6^{\zeta_6} = \frac{5}{4} \beta_2 \beta_4^{\zeta_5} + 2 \beta_1 \beta_5^{\zeta_5} - \beta_1^3 \beta_3^{\zeta_3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_6^{\zeta_6} &= -\frac{1}{2} \beta_5^{\zeta_5} \gamma_1 - \frac{5}{4} \beta_4^{\zeta_5} \gamma_2 + \frac{5}{2} \beta_2 \gamma_4^{\zeta_5} \\ &+ \frac{5}{2} \beta_1 \gamma_5^{\zeta_5} + \frac{3}{2} \beta_1^2 \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \gamma_1 - \frac{5}{2} \beta_1^3 \gamma_3^{\zeta_3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\beta_6^{\zeta_3 \zeta_4} = \frac{12}{5} \beta_1 \beta_5^{\zeta_3^2}$$

$$\gamma_6^{\zeta_3 \zeta_4} = -\frac{3}{5} \beta_5^{\zeta_3^2} \gamma_1 + 3 \beta_1 \gamma_5^{\zeta_3^2}$$

$$\beta_6^{\zeta_8} = \frac{14}{5} \beta_1 \beta_5^{\zeta_7}$$

$$\beta_6^{\zeta_3 \zeta_6} = 0$$

$$\beta_6^{\zeta_4 \zeta_5} = 0$$

$$\gamma_6^{\zeta_8} = -\frac{7}{10} \beta_5^{\zeta_7} \gamma_1 + \frac{7}{2} \beta_1 \gamma_5^{\zeta_7}$$

$$\gamma_6^{\zeta_3 \zeta_6} = 0$$

$$\gamma_6^{\zeta_4 \zeta_5} = 0$$

The above constraints have been successfully checked on the following examples:

L=4 and 5: numerous QCD RG functions (including gauge-dependent ones taken in the Landau gauge) recently computed in

[/K.Ch, Falcioni, Herzog and J Vermaseren \[1709.08541\]](#) .

L=4,5 and 6: β -function and ADs of $O(n)$ ϕ^4 model recently computed in

Batkovich, K. Ch. and Kompaniets, [1601.01960] (γ_2 only)

Schnetz, [1606.08598] ($\beta, \gamma_2, \gamma_m$)

Kompaniets and Panzer, [1705.06483] ($\beta, \gamma_2, \gamma_m$)

Predictions for 6-loop QCD RG functions:

$$\beta_6 \stackrel{\pi}{=} \boxed{\frac{608}{405} n_f^5 \zeta_4} + n_f^4 \left(\frac{164792}{1215} \zeta_4 - \frac{1840}{27} \zeta_6 \right) + n_f^3 \left(-\frac{4173428}{405} \zeta_4 + \frac{1800280}{243} \zeta_6 \right) \\ + n_f^2 \left(\frac{68750632}{405} \zeta_4 - \frac{13834700}{81} \zeta_6 \right) + n_f \left(-\frac{146487538}{135} \zeta_4 + \frac{40269130}{27} \zeta_6 \right) \\ + 99 (44213 \zeta_4 - 64020 \zeta_6)$$

$$\gamma_6^m \stackrel{\pi}{=} \boxed{\frac{320}{243} n_f^5 \zeta_4 + n_f^4 \left(-\frac{90368}{405} \zeta_4 + \frac{22400}{81} \zeta_6 \right)} \\ + n_f^3 \left(-\frac{92800}{27} \zeta_3 \zeta_4 - \frac{2872156}{405} \zeta_4 + \frac{503360}{243} \zeta_6 \right) \\ + n_f^2 \left(\frac{661760}{9} \zeta_3 \zeta_4 + \frac{155801234}{405} \zeta_4 - \frac{378577520}{729} \zeta_6 + \frac{12740000}{81} \zeta_8 \right) \\ + n_f \left(-\frac{1413280}{3} \zeta_3 \zeta_4 - \frac{4187656168}{1215} \zeta_4 + \frac{5912758120}{729} \zeta_6 - \frac{96071360}{27} \zeta_8 \right) \\ + 3194400 \zeta_3 \zeta_4 + \frac{272688530}{81} \zeta_4 - \frac{6778602160}{243} \zeta_6 + 15889720 \zeta_8$$

boxed terms are in **FULL AGREEMENT** with the well-known results by

/Gracey (1996)/ and **/Ciuchini, Derkachov, Gracey and Manashov (1999-2000)/**

all other terms are new

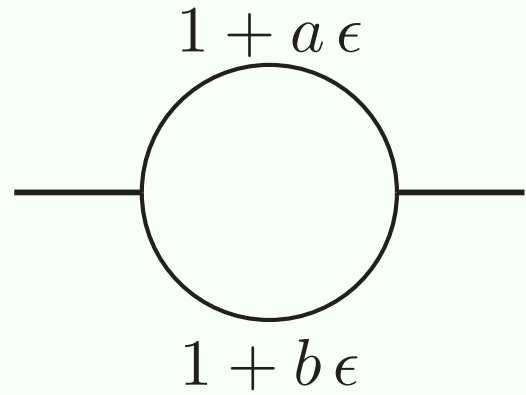
New developments: 6 (and 7 loops)

PROBLEM:

direct way: finding and evaluation of master p-integrals was fully implemented only for $L=4$, and (semi)-fully at $L=5$. The case with $L > 5$ is excluded for the moment due to their overwhelming complexity!

Hopeless? **NO!**

A lot of information can be get from 1LR diagrams like



$$\sim G(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta-2+\epsilon) \Gamma(2-\alpha-\epsilon) \Gamma(2-\beta-\epsilon)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(4-\alpha-\beta-2\epsilon)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon G(1, 1+\epsilon) &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon + \frac{3}{2}\epsilon^2 + \left(\frac{9}{2} - 3\zeta_3\right)\epsilon^3 + \left(-3\zeta_3 + \frac{27}{2} - \frac{\pi^4}{20}\right)\epsilon^4 + \left(-9\zeta_3 - 21\zeta(5) + \frac{81}{2} - \frac{\pi^4}{20}\right)\epsilon^5 \\ &\quad + \left(-27\zeta_3 + 9\zeta_3^2 - 21\zeta(5) + \frac{243}{2} + \frac{3\pi^4}{20} - \frac{\pi^6}{21}\right)\epsilon^6 \\ &\quad + \left(-81\zeta_3 + \frac{3\pi^4\zeta_3}{10} + 9\zeta_3^2 - 63\zeta(5) - 147\zeta(7) + \frac{729}{2} - \frac{9\pi^4}{20} - \frac{\pi^6}{21}\right)\epsilon^7 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^8) \end{aligned}$$

Summary of 1LR case:

Hatted representations of *all* normal (that is SVZ) odd zetas can be found from just expanding deeply in $\epsilon G(1, 1 + \epsilon)$ for arbitrary large number of loops (was proved in general by Kotikov and

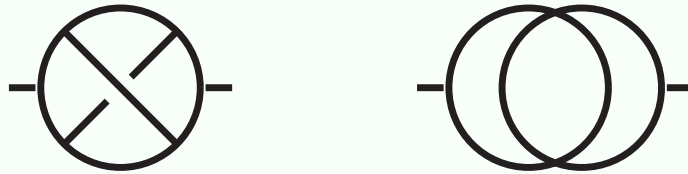
Thus, if we just assume that the $L = 4$ case is described completely by SVZ's **(which is true!)** then the corresponding hatted representation

$$\hat{\zeta}_3 := \zeta_3 + \frac{3\epsilon}{2}\zeta_4 - \frac{5\epsilon^3}{2}\zeta_6, \quad \hat{\zeta}_5 := \zeta_5 + \frac{5\epsilon}{2}\zeta_6 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\zeta}_7 := \zeta_7.$$

can be derived just from the properties of $G(1, 1 + a\epsilon)$!

But no MZV's ever appear! (because they are absent in the normal Γ -function expanded around integer values of its argument)

Next step: consider 3-loop case: then MZV's do show up in corresponding two 1LI masters:



but the resulting 2 eqs. for every π dependent term do fix the hatted form the only MZV, namely $\zeta(5,3)$ appearing at 5-loops (or, equivalently, φ) in full agreement to the result of /Georgoudis, Goncalves, Panzer, Pereira, [1802.00803]/ as it should be (as we take into account is a small, essentially trivial, subset of around 150 highly nontrivial 5-loop masters considered there).

Lesson: higher orders in ϵ of 3-loop masters do “know” **everything** about π -structure of 4- and 5-loop masters!

What about 4-loop case? Luckily, many orders in ϵ are known from R. N. Lee, A. V. Smirnov and V. A. Smirnov, *Master Integrals for Four-Loop Massless Propagators up to Transcendentality Weight Twelve*, *Nucl. Phys. B* 856 (2012) 95–110,

Hatted form for the 6-loop case /transcendental level ≤ 11 /

$$\hat{\zeta}_3 := \underbrace{\boxed{\zeta_3}}_{L=3} + \frac{3\epsilon}{2}\zeta_4 \quad \underbrace{-\frac{5\epsilon^3}{2}\zeta_6}_{\delta(L=4)} \quad \underbrace{+\frac{21\epsilon^5}{2}\zeta_8}_{\delta(L=5)} \quad \underbrace{-\frac{153\epsilon^7}{2}\zeta_{10}}_{\delta(L=6)}, \quad (3)$$

$$\hat{\zeta}_5 := \underbrace{\boxed{\zeta_5}}_{(L=4)} + \frac{5\epsilon}{2}\zeta_6 \quad \underbrace{-\frac{35\epsilon^3}{4}\zeta_8}_{\delta(L=5)} \quad \underbrace{+63\epsilon^5\zeta_{10}}_{\delta(L=6)}, \quad (4)$$

$$\hat{\zeta}_7 := \underbrace{\boxed{\zeta_7}}_{L=4} \quad \underbrace{+\frac{7\epsilon}{2}\zeta_8}_{\delta(L=5)} \quad \underbrace{-21\epsilon^3\zeta_{10}}_{\delta(L=6)}, \quad (5)$$

$$\hat{\varphi} := \underbrace{\boxed{\varphi} - 3\epsilon\zeta_4\zeta_5 + \frac{5\epsilon}{2}\zeta_3\zeta_6}_{L=5} \quad \underbrace{-\frac{24\epsilon^2}{47}\zeta_{10} + \epsilon^3\left(-\frac{35}{4}\zeta_3\zeta_8 + 5\zeta_5\zeta_6\right)}_{\delta(L=6)}, \quad (6)$$

$$\hat{\zeta}_9 := \underbrace{\boxed{\zeta_9}}_{L=5} \quad \underbrace{+\frac{9}{2}\epsilon\zeta_{10}}_{\delta(L=6)}, \quad (7)$$

$$\underbrace{\hat{\zeta}_{7,3} := \boxed{\zeta_{7,3} - \frac{793}{94}\zeta_{10}} + 3\epsilon(-7\zeta_4\zeta_7 - 5\zeta_5\zeta_6)}_{L=6}, \quad (8)$$

$$\underbrace{\hat{\zeta}_{11} := \boxed{\zeta_{11}}}_{L=6}, \quad (9)$$

$$\underbrace{\hat{\zeta}_{5,3,3} := \boxed{\zeta_{5,3,3} + 45\zeta_2\zeta_9 + 3\zeta_4\zeta_7 - \frac{5}{2}\zeta_5\zeta_6}}_{L=6}. \quad (10)$$

The boxed terms are in agreement with the results of F. Brown, D. Broadhurst, D. Kreimer, E. Panzer, O. Schnetz ...

Now we can upgrade our formulas for π -dependent terms in AD's and β -functions at the next **7-loop** level!

$$\beta_7^{\zeta_4} = \frac{3}{8} \beta_4^{\zeta_3} \beta_3^{(1)} + \frac{9}{10} \beta_2 \beta_5^{\zeta_3} - \frac{1}{2} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \beta_4^{(1)} + \frac{5}{4} \beta_1 \beta_6^{\zeta_3},$$

$$\beta_7^{\zeta_6} = \frac{5}{8} \beta_4^{\zeta_5} \beta_3^{(1)} + \frac{3}{2} \beta_2 \beta_5^{\zeta_5} + \frac{25}{12} \beta_1 \beta_6^{\zeta_5} - 2\beta_1^2 \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \beta_2 - \frac{5}{4} \beta_1^3 \beta_4^{\zeta_3},$$

$$\beta_7^{\zeta_3 \zeta_4} = \frac{9}{5} \beta_2 \beta_5^{\zeta_3^2} - \frac{1}{8} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \beta_4^{\zeta_3} + \frac{5}{2} \beta_1 \beta_6^{\zeta_3^2},$$

$$\beta_7^{\zeta_8} = \frac{21}{10} \beta_2 \beta_5^{\zeta_7} + \frac{35}{12} \beta_1 \beta_6^{\zeta_7} - \frac{7}{24} \beta_1 (\beta_3^{\zeta_3})^2 + \frac{7}{4} \beta_1^2 \beta_5^{\zeta_3^2} - \frac{35}{8} \beta_1^3 \beta_4^{\zeta_5},$$

$$\beta_7^{\zeta_3\zeta_6} = \frac{5}{8} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \beta_4^{\zeta_5} + \frac{25}{12} \beta_1 \beta_6^{\zeta_3\zeta_5} + \frac{25}{12} \beta_1 \beta_6^\phi,$$

$$\beta_7^{\zeta_4\zeta_5} = -\frac{1}{2} \beta_3^{\zeta_3} \beta_4^{\zeta_5} + \frac{5}{4} \beta_1 \beta_6^{\zeta_3\zeta_5} - \frac{5}{2} \beta_1 \beta_6^\phi,$$

$$\beta_7^{\zeta_{10}} = \frac{15}{4} \beta_1 \beta_6^{\zeta_9},$$

$$\beta_7^{\zeta_4\zeta_3^2} = \frac{15}{4} \beta_1 \beta_6^{\zeta_3^3},$$

$$\beta_7^{\zeta_4\zeta_7} = \beta_7^{\zeta_5\zeta_6} = \beta_7^{\zeta_3\zeta_8} = 0.$$

Tests of our predictions for AD's at L=7 loop: I

We have checked that the π -dependent contributions to the terms of order $n_f^6 \alpha_s^7$ in the the QCD β -function as well as to the terms of order $n_f^6 \alpha_s^7$ and of order $n_f^5 \alpha_s^7$ contributing to the quark mass AD, all computed in

J. Gracey, *The QCD Beta function at $\mathcal{O}(1/N_f)$* , *Phys.Lett.* **B373** (1996) 178–184, [hep-ph/9602214].

M. Ciuchini, S. E. Derkachov, J. Gracey and A. Manashov, *Quark mass anomalous dimension at $\mathcal{O}(1/N(f)^2)$ in QCD*, *Phys.Lett.* **B458** (1999) 117–126, [hep-ph/9903410].

M. Ciuchini, S. E. Derkachov, J. Gracey and A. Manashov, *Computation of quark mass anomalous dimension at $\mathcal{O}(1 / N^2(f))$ in quantum chromodynamics*, *Nucl.Phys.* **B579** (2000) 56–100, [hep-ph/9912221].

are in agreement with our predictions

Tests of our predictions for AD's at L=7 loop, cont-ed

Significantly more complicated test is provided by the recent calculation of the full 7-loop RG functions in the φ^4 -model

O. Schnetz, *Numbers and Functions in Quantum Field Theory*, *Phys. Rev. D* **97 (2018) 085018, [1606.08598]**

We have reproduced successfully all π -dependent constants appearing in the β -function and anomalous dimensions γ_m and γ_2 of the $O(n)$ φ^4 at 7 loops

Oliver Schnetz, PRD 97 (2018): **7! loop** result for ϕ^4 RG functions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta = & \left(\frac{195654269}{23040} + \frac{15676169}{720} \zeta(3) - \frac{316009}{3840} \pi^4 \frac{18326039}{480} \zeta(5) - \frac{129631}{5040} \pi^6 \right. \\
 & + \frac{516957}{20} \zeta(3)^2 - \frac{4453}{60} \pi^4 \zeta(3) + \frac{1536173}{20} \zeta(7) - \frac{20425591}{1260000} \pi^8 \\
 & + 116973 \zeta(3) \zeta(5) + \frac{947214}{25} \zeta(5, 3) - \frac{1010}{63} \pi^6 \zeta(3) + \frac{613}{5} \pi^4 \zeta(5) + 4176 \zeta(3)^3 \\
 & + \frac{547118}{3} \zeta(9) - \frac{45106}{43659} \pi^{10} - 48 \pi^4 \zeta(3)^2 + \frac{84231}{2} \zeta(3) \zeta(7) - \frac{273030}{7} \zeta(5)^2 \\
 & + \frac{8460}{7} \zeta(7, 3) - \frac{174}{25} \pi^8 \zeta(3) + \frac{6227}{35} \pi^6 \zeta(5) - \frac{56043}{25} \pi^4 \zeta(7) \\
 & - 504387 \pi^2 \zeta(9) + 46845 \zeta(3)^2 \zeta(5) + 27216 \zeta(3) \zeta(5, 3) - \frac{336258}{5} \zeta(5, 3, 3) \\
 & \left. + \frac{52756839}{10} \zeta(11) + 24 P_{7,11} \right) g^8 + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

All π -dependent terms follow from $\beta / \pi \rightarrow 0$: first (partial) check of both the 7-loop β for the ϕ^4 -model and on the hatted representation of \mathcal{P}_6 . The same is true for γ_m , γ_2 and the 6-loop self-energy

Conclusions

- all π -dependent terms in a generic $(L+1)$ -loop $\overline{\text{MS}}$ - (or, equivalently, G -) anomalous dimension γ are completely fixed by π -independent contributions to γ (and corresponding β) with loop number L or less *provided* the (all) L -loop p-master integrals are π -safe
- The π -safeness holds for $L=4$ and $L=5$ and, probably, for $L=6$. It is known that for $L=7$ the property (partially) stops to be valid★ and, thus, our predictions should be modified (at astronomically large for QCD level of **L=8** RG functions)
- All available results at 5 (QCD), and 6 and 7 loops (large n_f QCD and the ϕ^4 -model) do meet all our constraints

★ communicated to us by Oliver Schnetz

(the problem is an appearance of the ζ_{12} as independent term of some 7-loop finite p-integral, see works by (F.Brown, O.Schnetz, E.Panzer . . . on Feynman periods)