

# Evaluating five-loop propagators

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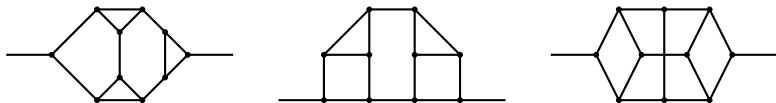
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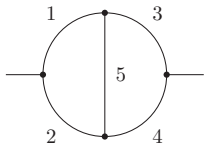
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Recursively one-loop integrals: they can be evaluated at general  $d$  by successfully applying this one-loop formula.

## 2 loops



$$F_{\Gamma} = \int \int \frac{1}{\prod D_i^{a_i}} d^d k_1 d^d k_2$$

where  $D_1 = k_1^2$ ,  $D_2 = (p - k_1)^2$ ,  $D_3 = k_2^2$ ,  
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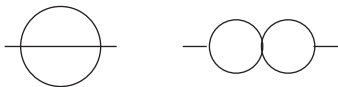
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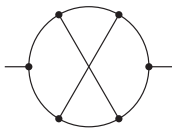
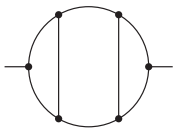
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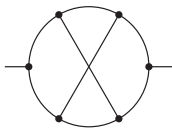
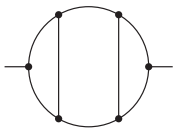




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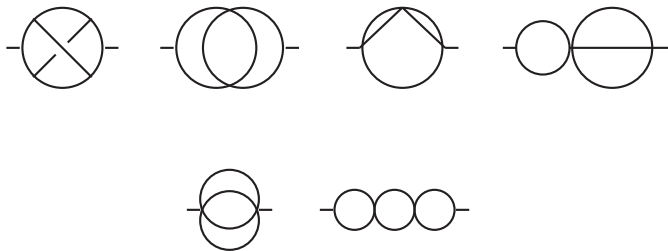


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MINCER: an implementation of the manual solution in FORM  
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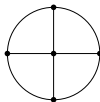
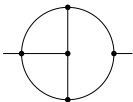
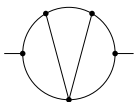
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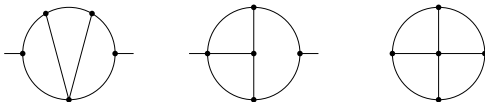
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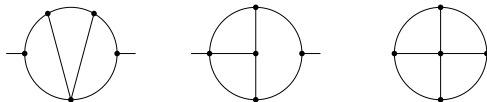
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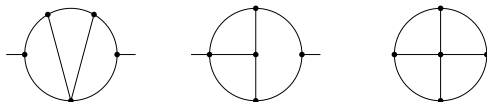




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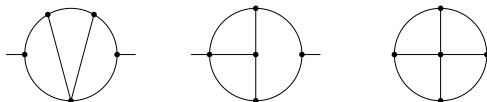


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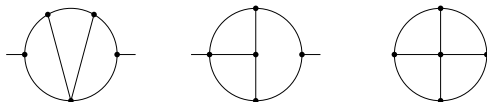


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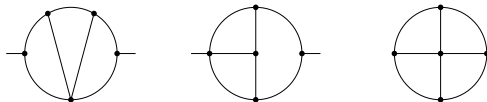


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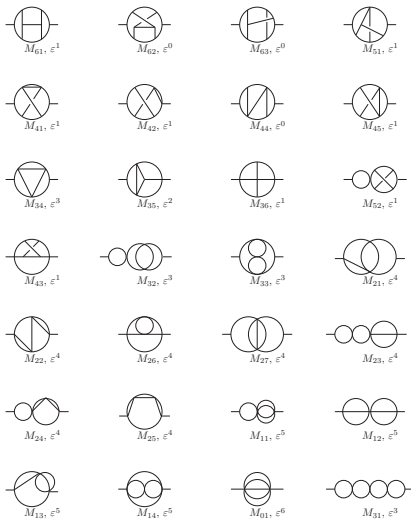
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*The five-loop problem can also be solved. The identities stemming from the GaC symmetry will express all five-loop MI's in terms of significantly smaller set of  $p$ -integrals. One could certainly expect that:*

- *in general the five-loop master  $p$ -integrals will contain irrational terms of weight not higher than 9;*
- *the 'small set' of five-loop integrals will include ones primitive as well as those expressible in terms of the generalized  $F$ -function.*

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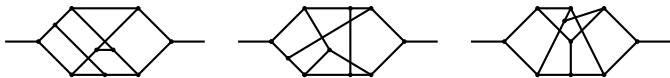
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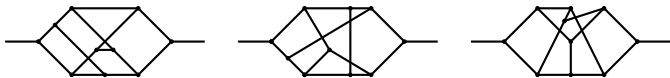
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If the code doesn't produce a good basis (i.e. with IBP reductions with good denominators) then it is reasonable to look for a hidden relation between current master integrals.

We have found the following additional relation

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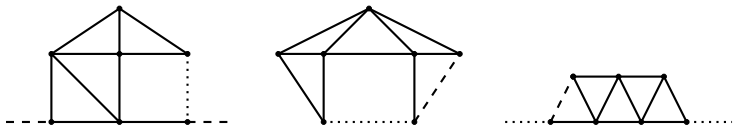
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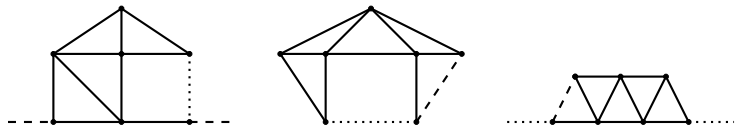
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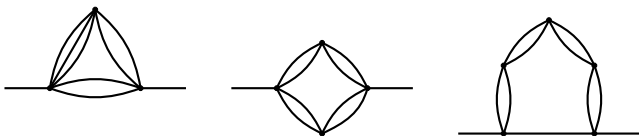
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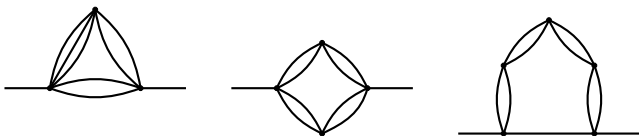
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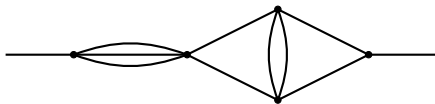
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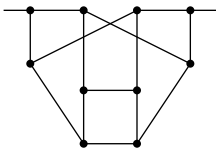
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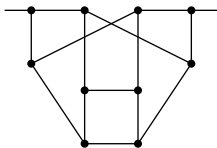
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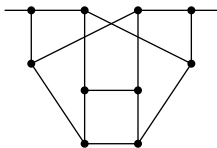


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