

Reducibility to ϵ -form and algebraic constraints in “elliptic” sectors

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- Differential equations $\frac{\partial}{\partial(\rho_1 \cdot \rho_2)} j(\mathbf{n}) = \sum [G^{-1}]_{i2} \rho_i \cdot \partial_{\rho_1} j(\mathbf{n})$.
Using IBP reduction, one obtains the differential system for master integrals:

$$\partial_x \mathbf{j}(x, \epsilon) = M(x, \epsilon) \mathbf{j}(x, \epsilon)$$

- We need a few first coefficients $\mathbf{j}_n(x)$ in $\mathbf{j}(x, \epsilon) = \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \epsilon^n \mathbf{j}_n(x)$.
- $\mathbf{j}_n(x)$ is often a combination of multiple polylogarithms (**but not always**).
- The problem greatly simplifies [[Henn'13](#)] if masters $J(x, \epsilon)$ are chosen such that

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Reduction to ϵ -form

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find the variable change

$$x = f(y)$$

and the function change

$$\mathbf{j}(x, \epsilon) = T(y, \epsilon) \mathbf{J}(y, \epsilon),$$

where f and entries of T are rational functions of y , such that

$$\partial_y \mathbf{J}(y, \epsilon) = \epsilon S(y) \mathbf{J}(y, \epsilon), \quad (\epsilon\text{-form})$$

or prove that (f, T) does not exist.¹

¹We will also require that $S(y)$ has only simple poles and decays at ∞ .

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Have tried hard enough?

Strict criterion of irreducibility is very welcome. This criterion was derived in [\[RL& Pomeransky \(arXiv:1707.07856\)\]](#).

Criterion of (ir)reducibility [RL & Pomeransky'17]

The (ir)reducibility criterion is based on a simple but important

Proposition

Suppose the matrix $M(x, e)$ is normalized Fuchsian at $x = a$, i.e.,

$$M(x, \epsilon) = \frac{S(\epsilon)}{x - a} + O((x - a)^0), \quad \text{all \underline{e}vs of } S(\epsilon) \text{ are } \propto \epsilon.$$

Then, the transformation $T(x)$ preserves fuchsianity and normalization $\Leftrightarrow T$ is regular at $x = a$, i.e.

$$T(x, \epsilon) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow a} T(a, \epsilon) < \infty \text{ and } \det T(a, \epsilon) \neq 0.$$

In particular

- If M is normalized in all points, T is independent of x .
- If M is normalized in all points but $x = 0$, $T(x)$ and $T^{-1}(x)$ are both polynomial in x^{-1} .
- If M is normalized in all points but $x = 0$ and $x = \infty$, $T(x)$ and $T^{-1}(x)$ are both Laurent polynomial in x .

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- Finding such a decomposition is a variant of the Riemann-Hilbert problem and can be done via simple algorithm (see [[arXiv:1707.07856](#)] for details).

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- If the third step, *factorization*, fails, the ϵ -form does not exist. By “**fails**” we mean that there is no invertible matrix T among the solutions of (overdetermined) linear system

$$T(\epsilon, \mu)(S_i(\mu)/\mu) = (S_i(\epsilon)/\epsilon)T(\epsilon, \mu).$$

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- thanks to the formulated proposition, T can not depend on x_1 .
- ϵ -dependence is likely to be factorized into a common factor.

So, $T = f(x_2, \dots, x_n, \epsilon) \tilde{T}(x_2, \dots, x_n)$.

This allows one to use one-by-one approach: when passing to the next differential system consider only the transformations independent of all previous variables and depending on ϵ only via common factor.

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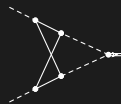
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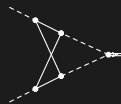
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What is the appropriate class of functions for irreducible DEs?

What counts: known analytic properties, “minimality” of the set, possibility to calculate efficiently with arbitrary precision.

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My goal here

“Minimality” of the set of the functions, in particular, means the absence of the undiscovered algebraic relations. The result of the present work is the discovery of a large set of the quadratic identities for the terms of the ϵ expansion of the homogeneous solutions.

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$$\partial \mathbf{J} = \mu \mathbf{S}(x) \mathbf{J}, \quad (\mu = \epsilon \text{ or } \epsilon + 1/2),$$

one can search for constant transformation L which results in symmetric $\tilde{\mathbf{S}} = L^{-1} \mathbf{S} L$. Since we want $\tilde{\mathbf{S}}^T = \tilde{\mathbf{S}}$, we have

$$L^{-1} \mathbf{S} L = L^T \mathbf{S}^T L^{T^{-1}}$$

Multiplying by $L \times \bullet \times L^T$, we obtain a system of linear equations

$$\mathbf{S} \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L} \mathbf{S}^T$$

for the elements of the symmetric matrix $\mathcal{L} = L L^T$. When \mathcal{L} is found, L can be obtained using Cholesky-type decomposition.

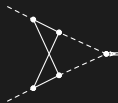
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Both properties appear to hold in many available examples. In particular, for all examples reducible to ϵ -form that I have checked so far, the symmetric ϵ -form exists. For irreducible cases I have checked the existence of the symmetric $(\epsilon + 1/2)$ for

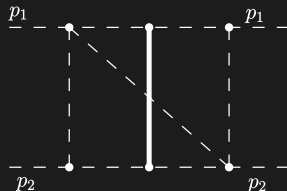
- $(L = 2, 3, 4, \dots)$ -loop equal-mass sunrise



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- Found only one exception: 3-loop forward box from



[\[Mistlberger \(arXiv:1802.00833\)\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.00833)

Quadratic constraints for ϵ -form I

Suppose first that we have achieved symmetric ϵ -form:

$$\partial \mathbf{J} = \epsilon \mathbf{S} \mathbf{J}, \quad \mathbf{S}^T = \mathbf{S}.$$

As we are interested in the constraints for general solution of this equation, it is convenient to pass to fundamental matrix F , satisfying the same equation

$$\partial F = \epsilon S F.$$

What algebraic constraints can we obtain for the ϵ -expansion of F ?
Let us write the general solution as path-ordered exponent:

$$F(x, x_0, \epsilon) = P \exp \left[\epsilon \int_{x_0}^x dx S(x) \right]$$

Quadratic constraints for ϵ -form II

Now note that

$$[F(x, x_0, \epsilon)]^{-1} = \left[P \exp \left[-\epsilon \int_{x_0}^x dx S^T(x) \right] \right]^T = F^T(x, x_0, -\epsilon) \quad (1)$$

Therefore, we have a constraint

$$F^T(x, x_0, -\epsilon) F(x, x_0, \epsilon) = I.$$

Note that the ϵ -expansion of $F^T(x, x_0, -\epsilon)$ is the same, up to an alternating sign, as that of $F^T(x, x_0, \epsilon)$, so we have constraints for each order in ϵ . Expressing $F(x, x_0, \epsilon)$ via generalized polylogs, we obtain constraints for the latter.

It is quite expected that these constraints should not give any unknown relations between the polylogarithmic functions. And indeed, for several examples we have checked these constraints follow from known shuffling algebra.

Quadratic constraints for $(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2})$ -form I

But for irreducible cases similar constraints would be very meaningful!

Suppose that we have managed to reduce ϵ -irreducible case to symmetric $(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2})$ -form:

$$\partial F = (\epsilon + \frac{1}{2})SF.$$

Let us try to follow the same path as before. Writing the general solution as path-ordered exponent:

$$F(x, x_0, \epsilon) = P \exp[(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2}) \int_{x_0}^x dx S(x)], \quad S^T = S,$$

we obtain for the inverse matrix

$$[F(x, x_0, \epsilon)]^{-1} = \left[P \exp[-(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2}) \int_{x_0}^x dx S^T(x)] \right]^T = F^T(x, x_0, -\epsilon - 1)$$

Quadratic constraints for $(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2})$ -form II

So we have

$$F^T(x, x_0, -\epsilon - 1)F(x, x_0, \epsilon) = I \quad \text{or}$$

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Problem

In contrast to the ϵ -reducible case the ϵ -expansion of $F^T(x, x_0, -\epsilon - 1)$ is not directly expressed via that of $F(x, x_0, \epsilon)$ due to -1 shift in the argument.

Quadratic constraints for $(\epsilon + \frac{1}{5})$ -form III

Solution

Fortunately, we have dimension shifting relations [[Tarasov'96](#)]:

$$J(x, \epsilon - 1) = R(x, \epsilon)J(\epsilon)$$

which, for F , translates to

$$F(x, x_0, \epsilon - 1) = R(x, \epsilon)F(x, x_0, \epsilon)R^{-1}(x_0, \epsilon) \quad (*)$$

The matrix $R(x, \epsilon)$ is rational in x and ϵ and can be routinely found via IBP reduction.

Using (*), we obtain

$$F^T(x, x_0, -\epsilon)R^T(x, -\epsilon)F(x, x_0, \epsilon) = R^T(x_0, -\epsilon)$$

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The two above constraints seem to be the same since for all cases we have checked we observed that $R^T(x, -\epsilon) \propto R(x, \epsilon)$.

Quadratic constraints for $(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2})$ -form, summary I

Let us summarize what we have obtained.

Complex object

For each case reducible to symmetric $(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2})$ -form (including, in particular, cases irreducible to ϵ -form) we have the formal solution

$$F(x, x_0, \epsilon) = P \exp\left[\left(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2}\right) \int_{x_0}^x dx S(x)\right],$$

whose ϵ -expansion is no more simple and includes non-polylogarithmic functions. For a few known cases those appear to be iterated integrals over modular forms or elliptic functions.

Quadratic constraints for $(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2})$ -form, summary II

Simple constraints

Nevertheless, we have a simple way to obtain quadratic constraints

$$F^T(x, x_0, -\epsilon)R(x, \epsilon)F(x, x_0, \epsilon) = R(x_0, \epsilon)$$

for any order in ϵ with coefficients being rational functions which can be determined using standard procedures.

Remark I

The constraints can be written directly for any two solutions \mathbf{J}_1 and \mathbf{J}_2 (including the case $\mathbf{J}_1 = \mathbf{J}_2$) as

$$\mathbf{J}_1^T(x, -\epsilon)R(x, \epsilon)\mathbf{J}_2(x, \epsilon) = \text{const}(\epsilon)$$

Remark II

The constraints for multivariate setup have literally the same form.

Example I: 2-loop sunrise for $d = 2 - 2\epsilon$



The homogeneous differential system has the form

$$\partial_s \mathbf{j}(s, \epsilon) = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2\epsilon+1}{s} & -\frac{3}{s} \\ -\frac{(s-3)(2\epsilon+1)(3\epsilon+1)}{(s-9)(s-1)s} & -\frac{s^2\epsilon+s^2+10s\epsilon-27\epsilon-9}{(s-9)(s-1)s} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{j}(s, \epsilon),$$

This system can not be reduced to ϵ -form but can be reduced to $(\epsilon + 1/2)$ -form. We pass to the variable $x = \sqrt{s}$ and apply the algorithm of [\[RL'14\]](#). Then we search for the constant matrix L to

Example I: 2-loop sunrise for $d = 2 - 2\epsilon$ II

obtain the symmetric $(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2})$ -form. This gives us the following transformation

$$\mathbf{j}(x^2, \epsilon) = T(x, \epsilon) \mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon),$$
$$T(x, \epsilon) = \frac{4^\epsilon \Gamma(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2}) \Gamma(3\epsilon + 1)}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(\epsilon + 1)} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3x}} \\ 0 & -\frac{3\epsilon + 1}{\sqrt{3x}} \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon)$ are the new functions. The overall factor $\frac{4^\epsilon \Gamma(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2}) \Gamma(3\epsilon + 1)}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(\epsilon + 1)}$ in the definition of $T(x, \epsilon)$ is not important for the form of the resulting differential system, but simplifies the matrix $R(x, \epsilon)$ entering the dimensional recurrence system. The differential system and dimensional recurrence relations have the forms

$$\partial_x \mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon) = \left(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2}\right) S(x) \mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon),$$
$$\mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon - 1) = R(x, \epsilon) \mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon),$$

Example I: 2-loop sunrise for $d = 2 - 2\epsilon$ III

where

$$S(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{4x(x^2-7)}{(x^2-9)(x^2-1)} & \frac{4\sqrt{3}(x^2-3)}{(x^2-9)(x^2-1)} \\ \frac{4\sqrt{3}(x^2-3)}{(x^2-9)(x^2-1)} & -\frac{2(x^4+4x^2-9)}{x(x^2-9)(x^2-1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R(x, \epsilon) = \begin{bmatrix} (x^4 - 30x^2 + 45)\epsilon & -\sqrt{3}\frac{(x^2-9)(x^2-1)+2(x^4-9)\epsilon}{x} \\ \sqrt{3}\frac{(x^2-9)(x^2-1)-2(x^4-9)\epsilon}{x} & -\frac{3(5x^4-30x^2+9)\epsilon}{x^2} \end{bmatrix},$$

Note that $R(x, \epsilon)$ is a linear function of ϵ with the property $R(x, \epsilon) = -R^T(x, -\epsilon)$. The ϵ -expansion of the (cut) sunrise integral is known in terms of the iterated integrals over modular forms. The first two terms are expressed via complete elliptic integrals K and E .

We have checked that the quadratic constraints for two first orders in ϵ lead to the Legendre relation for the elliptic integrals:

$$KE' + EK' - KK' = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Example I: 2-loop sunrise for $d = 2 - 2\epsilon$ IV

Remarkably, in Ref. [\[Tarasov'06\]](#) the sunrise has been calculated exactly in d in terms of the hypergeometric function. In particular, the two solutions of the homogeneous system have been found:

$$j_1^{(1)}(s, \epsilon) = \frac{\left(-\frac{s}{(s-1)^2}\right)^\epsilon}{s+3} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; 1-\epsilon; y\right) \quad (2)$$

$$j_1^{(2)}(s, \epsilon) = \frac{(9-s)^{-2\epsilon}}{s+3} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; \epsilon+1; y\right), \quad (3)$$

where

$$y = \frac{27(s-1)^2}{(s+3)^3}.$$

So we can see how the exact constraints look like. The combinations $\mathbf{J}^{(a)\top}(x, -\epsilon)R(x, \epsilon)\mathbf{J}^{(b)}(x, \epsilon)$ for various a and b are

Example I: 2-loop sunrise for $d = 2 - 2\epsilon$ V

independent of x (here $\mathbf{J}^{(a)} = T^{-1}\mathbf{j}^{(a)}$, $a = 1, 2$). The constants can be easily fixed by taking the limit $x \rightarrow 0$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{J}^{(1)\top}(-\epsilon)R(\epsilon)\mathbf{J}^{(1)}(\epsilon) &= -\mathbf{J}^{(2)\top}(-\epsilon)R(\epsilon)\mathbf{J}^{(2)}(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{3}\epsilon \sin(3\pi\epsilon) \cot(\pi\epsilon), \\ \mathbf{J}^{(1)\top}(-\epsilon)R(\epsilon)\mathbf{J}^{(2)}(\epsilon) &= \mathbf{J}^{(2)\top}(-\epsilon)R(\epsilon)\mathbf{J}^{(1)}(\epsilon) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

The two first constraints result in the following curious identity

$$\begin{aligned}{}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; 1 - \epsilon; y\right) {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; \epsilon + 1; y\right) \\ + \frac{(y-1)}{3\epsilon} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}; 1 - \epsilon; y\right) {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; \epsilon + 1; y\right) \\ + \frac{(1-y)}{3\epsilon} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; 1 - \epsilon; y\right) {}_2F_1\left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}; \epsilon + 1; y\right) = 1 \quad (4)\end{aligned}$$

Indeed, this identity is valid, which can be checked independently by first differentiating it and then finding the constant, e.g., via substitution $y \rightarrow 0$.

Example II: 3-loop sunrise for $d = 2 - 2\epsilon$



The differential system and dimensional recurrence relations for the new functions $\mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon)$ have the forms

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_x \mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon) &= \left(\epsilon + \frac{1}{2}\right) S(x) \mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon), \\ \mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon - 1) &= R(x, \epsilon) \mathbf{J}(x, \epsilon),\end{aligned}$$

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where

$$S(x) = S^T(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5x^2-8}{x(x^2-4)} & \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{x^2-4} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}x}{x^2-4} \\ \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{x^2-4} & -\frac{4x(x^2-10)}{(x^2-16)(x^2-4)} & \frac{2\sqrt{2}(5x^2-32)}{(x^2-16)(x^2-4)} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}x}{x^2-4} & \frac{2\sqrt{2}(5x^2-32)}{(x^2-16)(x^2-4)} & -\frac{(x^2+8)(3x^2-16)}{x(x^2-16)(x^2-4)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R(x, \epsilon) = R_0(x) + \epsilon R_1(x) + \epsilon^2 R_2(x)$$

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$$R_0(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4}x^2(x^2 - 8) & \frac{x(3x^2 - 32)}{2\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{x^4 - 28x^2 + 128}{4\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{x(3x^2 - 32)}{2\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{3}(x^4 - 28x^2 + 64) & -\frac{x(5x^2 - 16)}{6\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{x^4 - 28x^2 + 128}{4\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{x(5x^2 - 16)}{6\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{12}x^2(3x^2 - 32) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_1(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{x(x^2 - 64)(x^2 - 6)}{2\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{5(x^2 - 8)(x^2 + 8)}{2\sqrt{3}} \\ -\frac{x(x^2 - 64)(x^2 - 6)}{2\sqrt{6}} & 0 & -\frac{(x^2 - 16)(x^4 + 42x^2 - 64)}{6\sqrt{2}x} \\ \frac{5(x^2 - 8)(x^2 + 8)}{2\sqrt{3}} & \frac{(x^2 - 16)(x^4 + 42x^2 - 64)}{6\sqrt{2}x} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_2(x) = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{16}x^2(x^4 - 104x^2 + 832) & \frac{x(x^2 - 16)(x^2 + 20)}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{(x^2 - 16)(x^4 - 40x^2 - 192)}{16\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{x(x^2 - 16)(x^2 + 20)}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{8}{3}(x^4 - 56x^2 + 64) & \frac{x^6 - 76x^4 - 256x^2 + 1024}{3\sqrt{2}x} \\ -\frac{(x^2 - 16)(x^4 - 40x^2 - 192)}{16\sqrt{3}} & \frac{x^6 - 76x^4 - 256x^2 + 1024}{3\sqrt{2}x} & -\frac{x^8 - 8x^6 + 3392x^4 - 20480x^2 + 16384}{48x^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Only the ϵ^0 term is known [[Primo&Tancredi17](#)]:

$$j_1^{(1)}(s) = K_1 K_2, \quad j_1^{(2)}(s) = K_1 K_3, \quad j_1^{(3)}(s) = K_4 K_3,$$

$$\omega_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{s-8}{32} \sqrt{4-s} \pm \frac{s}{32} \sqrt{16-s},$$

$$K_{1,2} = K(\omega_{\pm}), \quad K_{3,4} = K(1 - \omega_{\pm}), \quad E_{1,2} = E(\omega_{\pm}), \quad E_{3,4} = E(1 - \omega_{\pm}).$$

Already for this term the constraints are highly nontrivial:

$$3K_2 K_3 - K_1 K_4 = 0,$$

$$-6E_2 K_1 + 2E_1 K_2 y^2 - K_1 K_2 (y-3)(y+1) = 0,$$

$$18E_2 K_3 - 2E_1 K_4 y^2 + K_1 K_4 (y-3)(y+1) = 0,$$

$$-6E_4 K_1 + 6E_3 K_2 y^2 - K_1 K_4 (y-1)(y+3) = 0,$$

$$6E_4 K_3 - 2E_3 K_4 y^2 + K_3 K_4 (y-1)(y+3) = 0,$$

$$4y^2 (3E_3 K_2 + E_1 K_4 - K_1 K_4)^2 - 9\pi^2 = 0.$$

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- Stay tuned: we will probably have more to say about “elliptic” cases (joint work with A. Pomeransky).