### Fine-tuning the Laporta approach

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## **Motivation**

- **•** Previous talk: many applications for tadpole integrals
- Push computational limits to 5 loops, starting with fully massive tadpoles
- Low maintenance approach, one method for a complete set of integrals with little human input needed



#### **Outline**

- Short review of difference equation and factorial series
- $\bullet$ Improvements
- Results  $\bullet$

Difference equations and factorial series [Laporta '01]

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$$
I(x) = \int \frac{1}{D_1^x D_2^{b_2} \cdots D_n^{b_n}}
$$
, here all  $D_i$  massive with  $m = 1$ \n
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$$
\sum_{k=0}^{R} q_k(x)I(x+k) = \sum_{i} \sum_{k=0}^{R_i-1} p_{ik}(x)J_i(x+k)
$$
,  $J_i \in \text{subsectors}$ \n
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$$
I(x) = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{\Gamma(x+s+d/2+1)} a_s
$$
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$$
\sum_{k=0}^{R'} q'_k(s) a_{s+k} = \sum_{i} \sum_{k=0}^{R'_i-1} p'_{ik}(s) a_{i,s+k}
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$$
a_0 \text{ from large-}x \text{ behaviour in terms of lower loop integrals}
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rec. rel.  $S_{\text{max}}$  $\Gamma(v + 1)$  $\det C = \pm \infty$ 

$$
\bullet \quad a_0 \stackrel{\text{rec. rel.}}{\longrightarrow} a_{s_{\text{max}}}, \sum_{s=0} \frac{1 \cdot (\text{max} + 1)}{\Gamma(x_{\text{max}} + s + d/2 + 1)} a_s, \ I(x_{\text{max}}) \stackrel{\text{dill. eq.}}{\longrightarrow} I(1)
$$

## Difference equations and factorial series [Laporta '01]

#### Advantages

- Everything can be automated
- Works well also with divergent integrals and does not depend on a special class of functions
- $\bullet$  High precision results for arbitrarily many orders in  $\epsilon$
- Can expand around any dimension
- $\bullet$  Cross-checks by putting x on different propagators

#### Typical problems and limitations

- Usually only numeric results  $\rightarrow$  limited use for integrals with multiple scales
- Complexity of the coefficients in high order equations
- High orders of the recurrence relation
- Divergence of the factorial series in numerical evaluation

# Coupled vs decoupled equations

Typically generate equations via IBP:  $0 =$ [Chetyrkin, Tkachov '81]





- simple solve algorithm
- need to solve only one integral numerically
- coeffs. grow large very quickly with R

Coupled equations



- more involved solve algorithm
- $\bullet$  need to solve R integrals simultaneously
- $\bullet$  coeffs. grow less quickly with  $R$
- **o** can choose master integral basis

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#### Coupled vs decoupled equations



Example: Difference eq. 29703#3 Propagators: 7 Order: 8 Integrals:  $1396 + \text{sub-topologies}$ Input equations: 1400



## Coupled vs decoupled equations

Scaling of the homogeneous part of equations with order  $R$ :



#### Recurrence relations

$$
\bullet \ \sum_{i} \sum_{k=0}^{R'} q'_{ik}(s)a_{i,s+k} = 0
$$

• Can be reduced with the same algorithms as the difference equations!

- **•** Translation from difference equations: order  $R$ , x-degree  $N \rightarrow$  order  $R'$  with  $N \leq R' \leq N + R$  $\Rightarrow$  Translation loses information with every order of x
- Need input equations with  $R&N$  minimal.
- IBP:  $R < 2$ ,  $N < 1$ , but not good enough.  $\bullet$  $\Rightarrow$  Reduce IBP-equations without multiplying or dividing by x & try to factor out  $(x + \alpha)$ .

#### Divergence factors and precision

• The numerical error grows by a factor  $F_D$  ( $F_R$ ) with each iteration of the difference equations (recurrence relations).

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$$
D_{\text{end}} \approx \log_{10} \left[ \left( \frac{x_{\text{max}} + s_{\text{max}}}{s_{\text{max}}} \right) F_D^{-x_{\text{max}}} \right]
$$
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$$
D_{\text{start}} \approx \log_{10} \left[ \left( \frac{x_{\text{max}} + s_{\text{max}}}{s_{\text{max}}} \right) F_R^{-x_{\text{max}}} \right]
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Results  $(d = 4)$ 



See also *zig-zag conjecture* [Broadhurst, Kreimer '95][Brown, Schnetz '12]

## Conclusions

- Improvements:
	- $\triangleright$  Choose coupled over decoupled eqs. to simplify coefficients
	- $\blacktriangleright$  Reduction of recurrence relations
	- ► Avoid divergence in factorial series by increased precision
- Everything implemented in C<sup>++</sup>, except polynomial algebra (Fermat [Lewis ]), all time-critical code parallelised
- At the 5-loop level have produced difference equations up to order 20, recurrence relations up to order  $28 + i$ nhomogeneous parts
- <span id="page-10-0"></span>• Solved all fully massive master integrals for 37 out of 48 vacuum 5-loop diagrams with  $\sim$  300 digits precision,  $\geq$  10 orders in  $\epsilon$  around  $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$ ,  $d = 3 - 2\epsilon$

## Divergence factors

• 
$$
I^{(hom)}(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{n} \mu_m^x \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{\Gamma(x+s-K_m+1)} a_{m,s}
$$

 $\bullet$   $\mu_m$  are roots of the characteristic polynomial  $p(\mu)$ .

• For decoupled eq. 
$$
\sum_{i=0}^{N} \sum_{k=0}^{R} p_{ik} x^{i} I(x+k) = 0:
$$

$$
p(\mu) = \sum_{k=0}^{N} p_{N k} \mu^{k}
$$
  
\n•  $F_P^{(m)} = \max_{i} \left| \frac{\mu_m}{\mu_i} \right|$   
\n•  $F_R^{(m)} = \max \left\{ 1, \max_{\substack{i \\ \mu_i \neq \mu_m}} \left| \frac{\mu_m}{\mu_m - \mu_i} \right| \right\}$