

# Towards $N^3$ LO QCD Higgs production cross section

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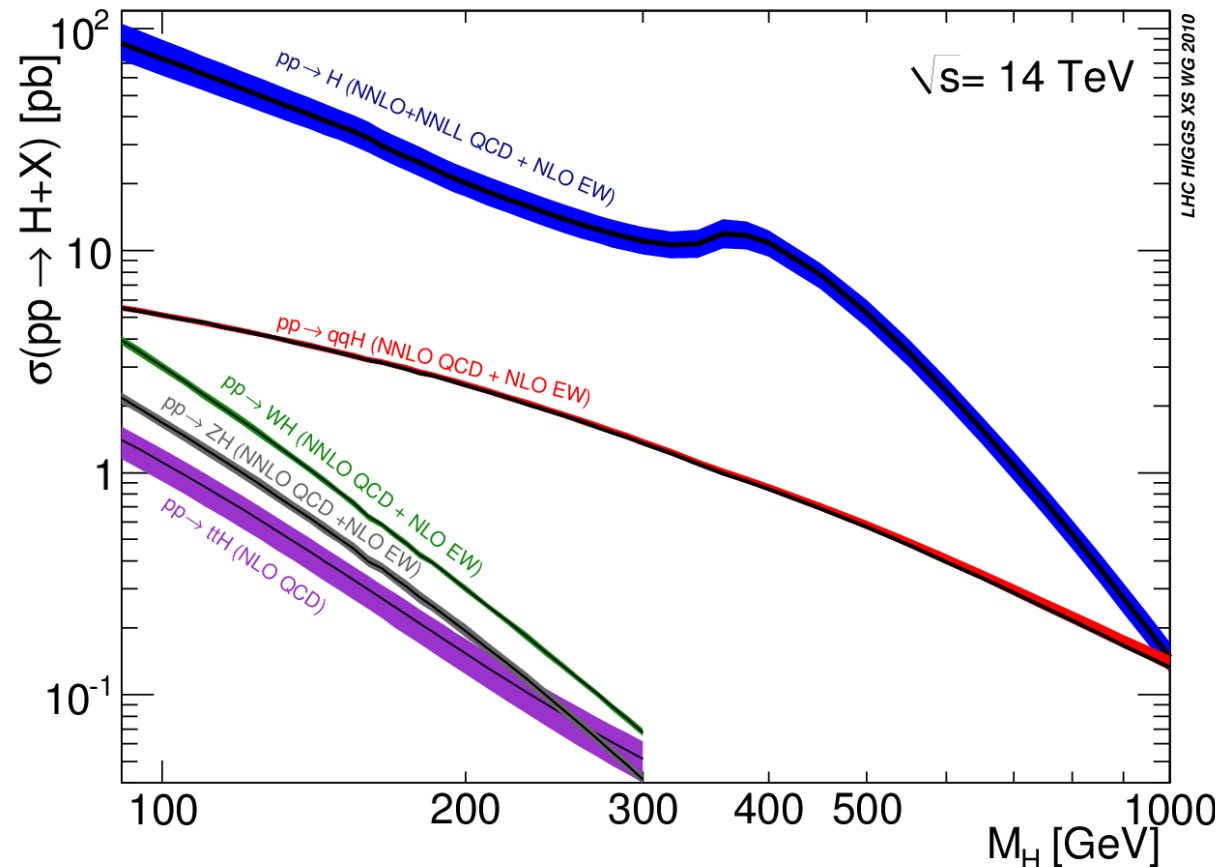
# Introduction

- The discovery of **a** Higgs boson **SM? BSM?**
  - ➔ Needs for studying its production and decay processes

- Higgs production @ LHC

- Dominated by the **gluon fusion** channel

- Mainly **QCD** corrections



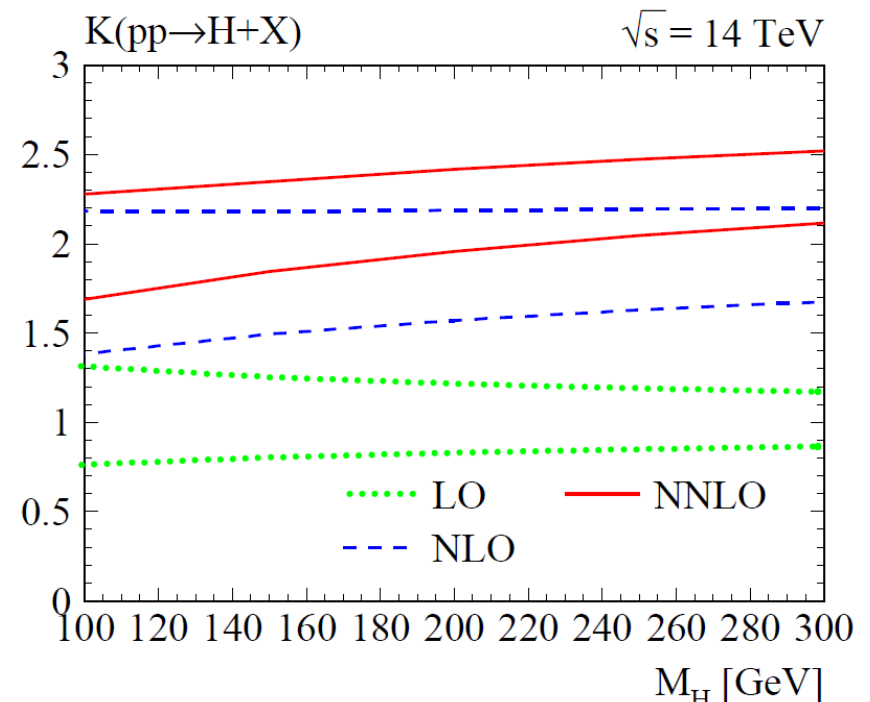
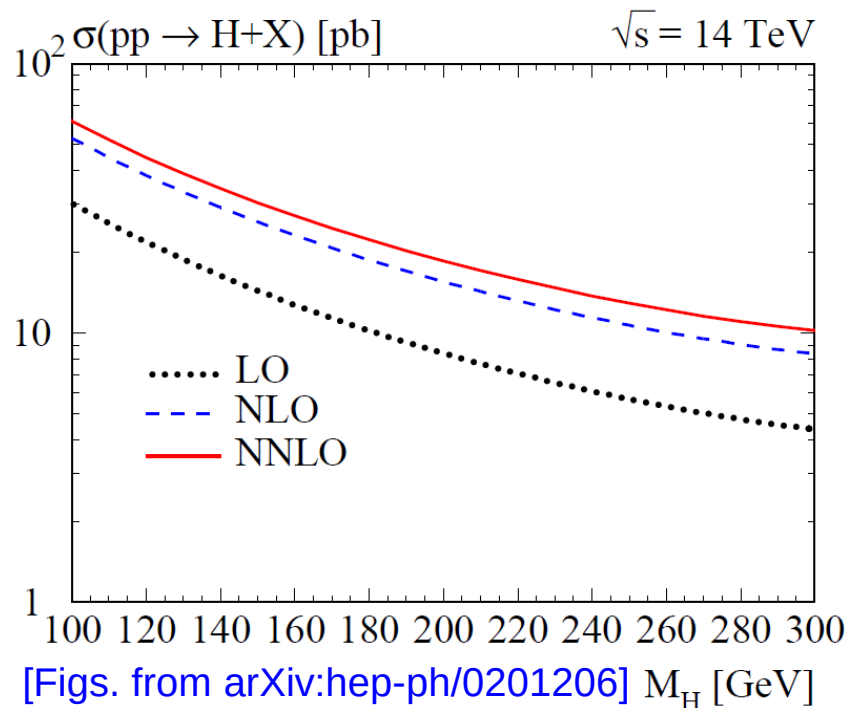
# Introduction

- NNLO QCD corrections to the partonic cross sections in the gluon fusion channel are known

[Harlander, Kilgore '02; Anastasiou, Melnikov '02; Ravindran, Smith, van Neerven '03]

- Converge slowly  $\Rightarrow$  The scale uncertainty is the main source of theoretical uncertainty

- In total: large theoretical uncertainty  $\sim 10-15\%$



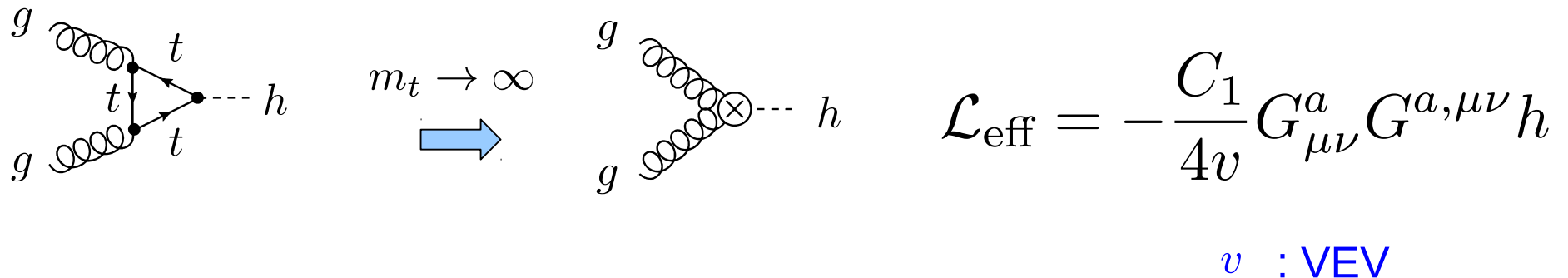
[Figs. from arXiv:hep-ph/0201206]

# Improve TH prediction

- To improve the theoretical prediction:
  - Resummations
  - Approximated N<sup>3</sup>LO
  - PDFs or  $\alpha_s$
  - Other contributions (finite top mass, bottom, EW etc.)
- Our ultimate goal:  
Improve the the theoretical prediction by computing N<sup>3</sup>LO QCD corrections in the gluon fusion channel

# Heavy-Top Effective Theory

- Top-loop induced ggh vertex



- Wilson coefficient  $C_1$  is known up to 3-loop

[Chetyrkin, Kniehl, Steinhauser '98; Krämer, Laenen, Spira '98]

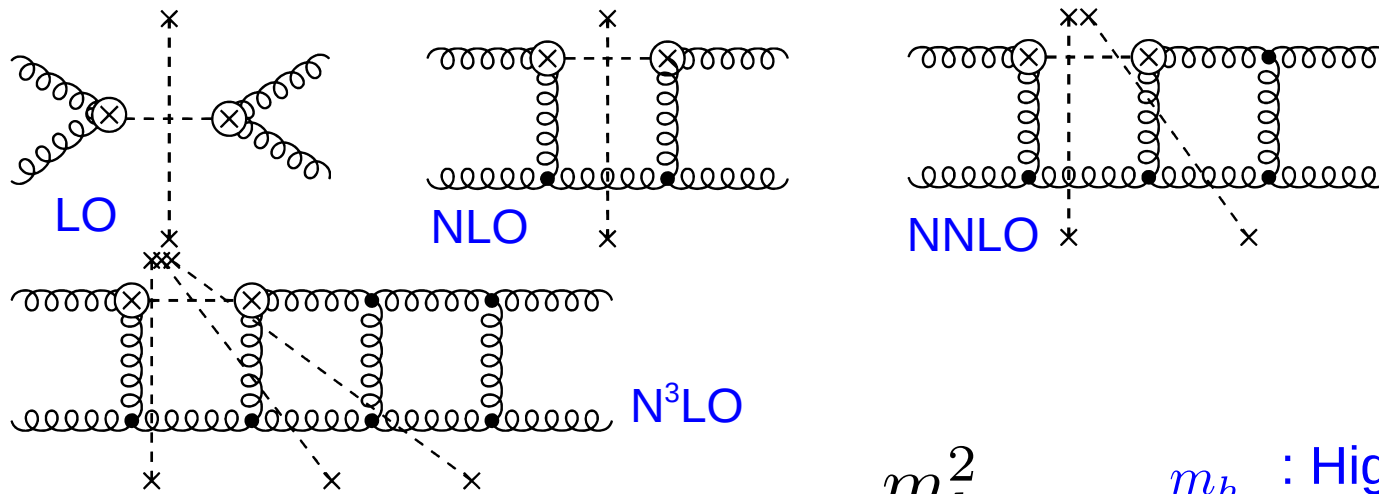
- Small power corrections in  $\frac{m_h}{m_t}$  at NNLO

[Harlander, Ozeren '09; Harlander, Mantler, Marzani, Ozeren '10; Pak, Rogal, Steinhauser '09-'11]

- Good approximation to the result in the full theory

# Overview

- Dimensional regularization  $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$
- Consider all possible cuts in forward scattering diagrams



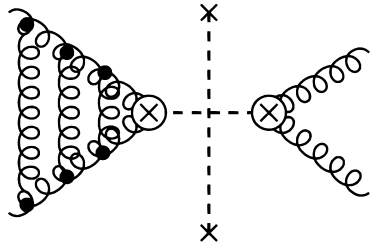
- One kinematic variable  $x = \frac{m_h^2}{s}$ 
  - $m_h$  : Higgs mass
  - $s$  : partonic center-of-mass energy
- $x \rightarrow 1$  : Higgs threshold / soft partons

- (Unrenormalized) partonic cross sections have expansions like

$$\sigma_{i+j \rightarrow h+X}^{\text{partonic}}(\alpha_s, x, \epsilon) = \frac{1}{v^2} \sum_{k,l} \alpha_s^k \epsilon^l \sigma_{i+j \rightarrow h+X}^{\text{partonic}(k,l)}(x)$$

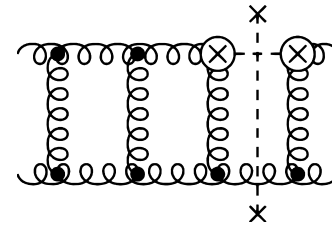
# Status of N<sup>3</sup>LO Calculations

- Triple-virtual (form factor) **known**



[Baikov, Chetyrkin, Smirnov<sup>2</sup>, Steinhauser '09; Gehrmann, Glover, Huber, Ikidzerli, Studerus '10]

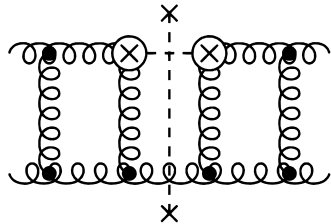
- Double-virtual real **Soft limit  $x \rightarrow 1$  known**



[Duhr, Gehrmann '13; Li, Zhu '13]

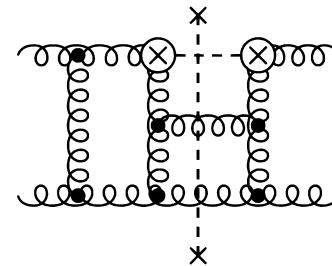
➔ **Dulat's talk**

- Real virtual-squared **known**



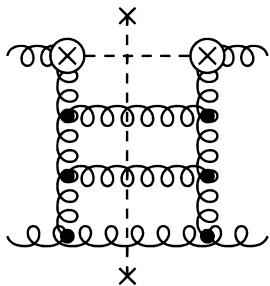
[Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Herzog, Mistlberger '13; Kilgore '13]

- Double-real virtual **Soft limit known**



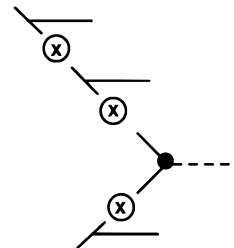
[Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Furlan, Gehrmann, Herzog, Mistlberger '14; Li, Manteuffel, Schabinger, Zhu '14]

- Triple-virtual **First two terms in soft expansion known**



[Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Mistlberger '13]

- IR subtraction terms **known**



[Höschele, Hoff, Pak, Steinhauser, TU '13; Buehler, Lazopoulos '13]

$$P_{im}^{(1)} \otimes (\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^{(0)}/x) \otimes P_{jk}^{(1)} \otimes P_{kl}^{(1)}$$

- Hadronic Higgs production cross section at threshold up to N<sup>3</sup>LO

[Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Furlan, Gehrmann, Herzog, Mistlberger '14]

➔ **Mistlberger's talk**

# Reverse Unitarity Technique

[Anastasiou, Melnikov '02]

- In the same way as loop integrals, cut integrals can be reduced using integration-by-parts (IBP) relations

➔ Reduction to master integrals (MIs)

[1-loop example]

$$\text{Triangle with cut} = -\frac{1 - 2\epsilon}{\epsilon(1 - x)} \text{Bubble with cut}$$

- We used
  - an in-house implementation of Laporta algorithm with TopoID for automatization and symmetries [Hoff, Pak]
  - FIRE [Smirnov]



# Differential Equation Method

[Kotikov '91; Bern, Dixon, Kosower '94; Remiddi '97; Gehrmann, Remiddi '00]

- Consider the derivatives of MIs with respect to  $x$ 
  - Dependence on  $x$  comes only from the Higgs propagator

$$\partial_x \frac{1}{q^2 + x} = -\frac{1}{(q^2 + x)^2}$$

- Equivalent to increasing the index of the Higgs propagator (put a dot) up to a constant factor
- Resultant integrals can be reduced to the MIs

→ System of linear differential equations (DEs) for MIs

$$\partial_x \vec{f}(x, \epsilon) = A(x, \epsilon) \vec{f}(x, \epsilon)$$

[1-loop example]

$$\partial_x \left( \text{Diagram 1} \right) = - \left( \text{Diagram 2} \right) = -\frac{1-2\epsilon}{1-x} \left( \text{Diagram 3} \right)$$

- Can be quite complicated for higher loop orders

# Change of Basis

- The choice of MIs are not unique. We can choose another basis of MIs:

$$\vec{f}_{\text{new}}(x, \epsilon) = B(x, \epsilon) \vec{f}_{\text{old}}(x, \epsilon)$$

- The system of DEs for the new MIs are:

$$\partial_x \vec{f}_{\text{new}}(x, \epsilon) = A_{\text{new}}(x, \epsilon) \vec{f}_{\text{new}}(x, \epsilon)$$

$$A_{\text{new}} = \left[ (\partial_x B) + B A_{\text{old}} \right] B^{-1}$$

i.e.,  $A_{\text{new}}$  is determined by

- $A_{\text{old}}$  : the system of DEs in the old basis
- $B$  : how the new basis integrals are reduced into the old basis integrals

# Canonical Basis

- Conjecture: MIs for QCD integrals can be chosen as pure functions of uniform weight, which makes it strikingly simple to solve the system of DEs [Henn '13]

- Choose a basis satisfying the following canonical form

$$\partial_x \vec{f}(x, \epsilon) = \epsilon A(x) \vec{f}(x, \epsilon) \quad A(x) = \frac{a}{x} + \frac{b}{1-x} + \frac{c}{1+x}$$

- The expansion of the system of DEs in  $\epsilon$  is triangular; easy to solve if the boundary condition is fixed at some  $x = x_0$

**We use the values at the soft limit  $x = 1$**

- The solutions are expressed in iterated integrals of uniform weight; in this case, harmonic polylogarithms

[Remiddi, Vermaseren '00]

# Canonical Basis

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[1-loop example]

$$\partial_x \left[ \text{circle diagram} \right] = \frac{2\epsilon}{1-x} \left[ \text{circle diagram} \right] \quad \text{or} \quad \partial_x \left[ \text{triangle diagram} \right] = \frac{2\epsilon}{1-x} \left[ \text{triangle diagram} \right]$$

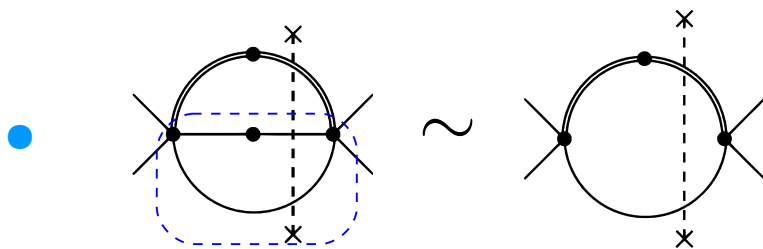
$$\text{or} \quad \partial_x \left[ \frac{1}{1-x} \left[ \text{circle diagram} \right] \right] = \frac{2\epsilon}{1-x} \left[ \frac{1}{1-x} \left[ \text{circle diagram} \right] \right]$$

$$\text{cf.} \quad \partial_x \left[ \text{circle diagram} \right] = -\frac{1-2\epsilon}{1-x} \left[ \text{circle diagram} \right]$$

# Find Canonical MIs

- No general recipe, but some tips exist to find candidates that may give the canonical form
- Hints from the lower loop orders results

- Massless bubble with a dot  $\int \frac{d^d k}{(k^2)^2 (k+q)^2} \sim \frac{1}{(q^2)^{1+\epsilon}}$

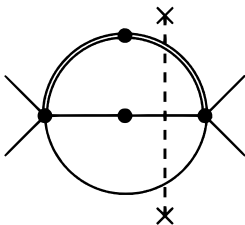
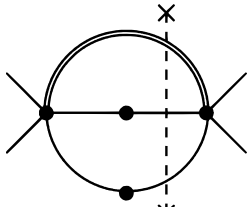
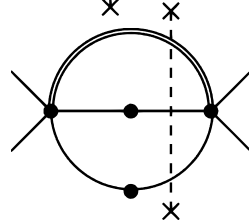
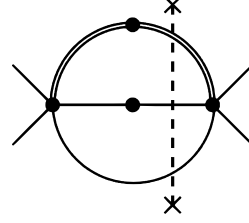


Integrate out

Canonical MI at NLO

is a good candidate at NNLO

# Find Canonical MIs

-  is one of 2-coupled MIs. Need another MI
- One may try a similar integral  but not canonical
- It turns out a linear combination  + 2  is better
- Feynman parameter representation tells us

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} \\
 & \sim \int \prod_j d\alpha_j \frac{\delta(1 - \sum_j \alpha_j)}{U(\{\alpha_j\})W(x, \{\alpha_j\})} (\alpha_1\alpha_2 + \alpha_1\alpha_3 + \alpha_2\alpha_3) \\
 & U(\{\alpha_j\}) = \alpha_1\alpha_2 + \alpha_1\alpha_3 + \alpha_2\alpha_3
 \end{aligned}$$

# Find Canonical MIs

- $\vec{f} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \\ \text{Diagram 2} + 2 \times \text{Diagram 3} \end{array} \right\}$

gives

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3\epsilon}{x} & \frac{\epsilon}{x} \\ -\frac{6\epsilon}{x} & -\frac{6\epsilon}{1-x} \\ \frac{2\epsilon}{x} & +\frac{1+4\epsilon}{1-x} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3\epsilon}{x} & (1-x) \left( \frac{\epsilon}{x} + \frac{\epsilon}{1-x} \right) \\ -\frac{6\epsilon}{(1-x)x} & \frac{2\epsilon}{x} + \frac{1+4\epsilon}{1-x} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Need a normalization factor

$$\vec{f} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \\ (1-x) \left[ \text{Diagram 2} + 2 \times \text{Diagram 3} \right] \end{array} \right\}$$

gives a canonical basis

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# Add Another MI

$$\vec{f} = \left\{ \text{Diagram 1}, (1-x) \left[ \text{Diagram 2} + 2 \text{Diagram 3} \right], \text{Diagram 4} \right\}$$

gives  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3\epsilon}{x} & \frac{\epsilon}{x} + \frac{\epsilon}{1-x} & 0 \\ -\frac{6\epsilon}{x} & \frac{2\epsilon}{x} + \frac{4\epsilon}{1-x} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\epsilon x} & \frac{2}{\epsilon x} & -\frac{2\epsilon}{x} \end{pmatrix}$

- Need a normalization factor

$$\vec{f} = \left\{ \text{Diagram 1}, (1-x) \left[ \text{Diagram 2} + 2 \text{Diagram 3} \right], \epsilon^2 \text{Diagram 4} \right\}$$

gives a canonical basis  $A = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3\epsilon}{x} & \frac{\epsilon}{x} + \frac{\epsilon}{1-x} & 0 \\ -\frac{6\epsilon}{x} & \frac{2\epsilon}{x} + \frac{4\epsilon}{1-x} & 0 \\ -\frac{\epsilon}{x} & \frac{2\epsilon}{x} & -\frac{2\epsilon}{x} \end{pmatrix}$

- Adding a MI to a system is relatively easy:  
Trial & error for each candidate, adjusting normalization



# Add Coupled MIs

$$\vec{f} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Diagram 1}, (1-x) \left[ \text{Diagram 2} + 2 \text{Diagram 3} \right], \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} \epsilon^2 \text{Diagram 4}, \epsilon \text{Diagram 5} \end{array} \right\} \end{array} \right.$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3\epsilon}{x} & \frac{\epsilon}{x} + \frac{\epsilon}{1-x} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{6\epsilon}{x} & \frac{2\epsilon}{x} + \frac{4\epsilon}{1-x} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{\epsilon(2-5\epsilon)}{2(1-\epsilon)x} - \frac{\epsilon(1-4\epsilon)}{(1-\epsilon)(1-x)} & \frac{\epsilon(1-3\epsilon)}{4(1-\epsilon)x} + \frac{\epsilon(1-4\epsilon)}{4(1-\epsilon)(1-x)} & -\frac{\epsilon}{x} + \frac{2\epsilon}{1-x} & \frac{1}{2(1-x)} \\ \frac{2\epsilon(1-4\epsilon)}{(1-\epsilon)x} - \frac{3\epsilon^2}{(1-\epsilon)x^2} + \frac{2\epsilon(1-4\epsilon)}{(1-\epsilon)(1-x)} & -\frac{\epsilon(1-4\epsilon)}{2(1-\epsilon)x} + \frac{\epsilon^2}{(1-\epsilon)x^2} - \frac{\epsilon(1-4\epsilon)}{2(1-\epsilon)} & -\frac{4\epsilon}{x} - \frac{4\epsilon}{1-x} & -\frac{1+2\epsilon}{x} - \frac{1}{1-x} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Can one of the added coupled MIs be a canonical MI if the other is adequately chosen?

# Characteristic Form of Higher Order DE

- Point: from a set of DEs of  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ , we can eliminate  $f_2$  and get a higher order DE of  $f_1$

$$f_1' = a_{11}f_1 + a_{12}f_2 + \sum_i r_{1i}g_i \quad g_i' = \sum_j \alpha_{ij}g_j$$

$$f_2' = a_{21}f_1 + a_{22}f_2 + \sum_i r_{2i}g_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f_1'' &= - \left( -a_{11} - \frac{a_{12}'}{a_{12}} - a_{22} \right) f_1' + \left( a_{11}' - \frac{a_{11}a_{12}'}{a_{12}} + a_{12}a_{21} - a_{11}a_{22} \right) f_1 \\ &\quad + \sum_i \left( -\frac{a_{12}'r_{1i}}{a_{12}} - a_{22}r_{1i} + a_{12}r_{2i} + r_{1i}' + \sum_j r_{1j}\alpha_{ji} \right) g_i \\ &=: -C_1 f_1' + C_0 f_1 + \sum_i C_{0i} g_i \end{aligned}$$

- The coefficients  $C_1$ ,  $C_0$  and  $C_{0i}$  are independent on the choice of  $f_2$

# Characteristic Form of Higher Order DE

- For  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ , we have  $A$
- If  $f_1$  is a canonical MI (there exists a proper choice of  $f_2^P$ , and  $f_1$  and  $f_2^P$  gives  $A^P$  in the canonical form), the coefficients have the following specific form because  $A^P$  is linear in  $\epsilon$

$$C_1 = C_1^{(0)} + \epsilon C_1^{(1)} \quad C_0 = \epsilon C_0^{(1)} + \epsilon^2 C_0^{(2)} \quad C_{0i} = \epsilon C_{0i}^{(1)} + \epsilon^2 C_{0i}^{(2)}$$

- Equating the C's both from  $A$  and  $A^P$ , we get a set of (differential) equations for  $A^P$  even though  $f_2^P$  is unknown (at this point)

$$a_{12}^{P'} + C_1^{(0)} a_{12}^P = 0 \quad a_{11}^{P'} - \frac{a_{12}^{P'}}{a_{12}^P} a_{11}^P = \epsilon C_0^{(1)} \quad a_{22}^P = -a_{11}^P - \epsilon C_1^{(1)}$$

$$a_{21}^P = \frac{a_{11}^P a_{22}^P}{a_{12}^P} + \epsilon^2 \frac{C_0^{(2)}}{a_{12}^P} \quad r_{1i}^{P'} - \frac{a_{12}^{P'}}{a_{12}^P} r_{1i}^P = \epsilon C_{0i}^{(1)} \quad r_{2i}^P = \frac{a_{22}^P r_{1i}^P}{a_{12}^P} - \sum_j \frac{r_{1j}^P \alpha_{ji}}{a_{12}^P} + \epsilon^2 \frac{C_{0i}^{(2)}}{a_{12}^P}$$

# Characteristic Form of Higher Order DE

- Once all the elements in  $A^{\text{P}}$  are obtained, one can get the transformation  $B$  from  $\{g_i, f_1, f_2\}$  to  $\{g_i, f_1, f_2^{\text{P}}\}$  :

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \beta_{2i} & b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

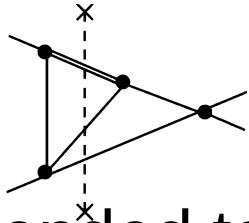
$$B' = A^{\text{P}} B - B A$$

→ Give linear equations  
(not DEs)

$$\text{cf. } A_{\text{new}} = \left[ (\partial_x B) + B A_{\text{old}} \right] B^{-1}$$

- $f_2^{\text{P}}$  is expressed as a linear combination of  $\{g_i, f_1, f_2\}$

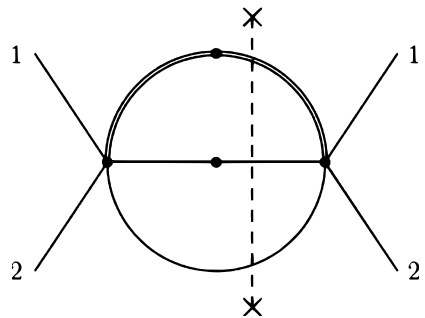
# Algorithm for Coupled MIs

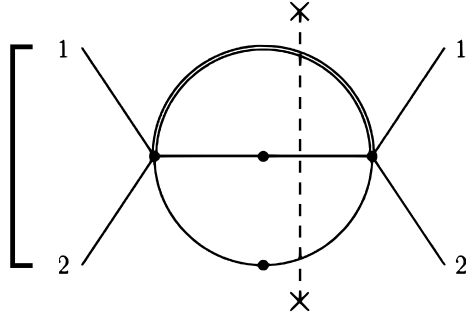
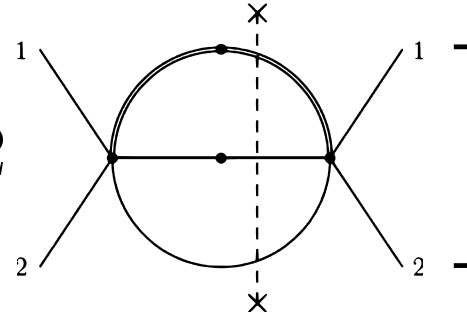
- Input: a basis  $\{g_i, f_1, f_2\}$  (and  $A$ )
- Assume  $f_1$  is a canonical MI. This leads  $\{g_i, f_1, f_2^P\}$ , where  $f_2^P$  is expressed as a linear combination of  $\{g_i, f_1, f_2\}$
- Any contradiction means  $f_1$  cannot be a canonical MI
  - C's do not have the specific form
  - Obtained  $A^P$  is not of the canonical form
  - No consistent solution for  $B$
- Answer to the previous question:  $\epsilon^2$   is canonical
- In principle, this algorithm can be extended to 3 or more coupled MIs

# Canonical MIs at NNLO

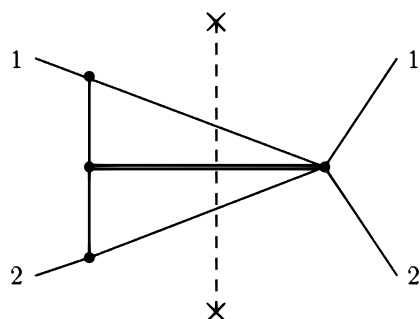
3-particle cut diagrams (17 MIs)

$$\partial_x \vec{V}(x, \epsilon) = \epsilon A_V(x) \vec{V}(x, \epsilon)$$

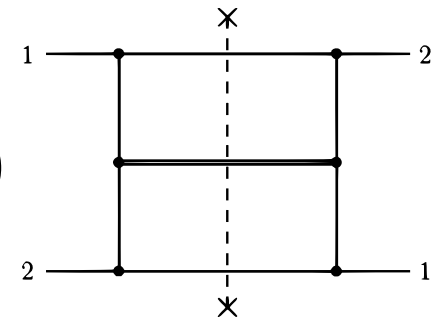
$$V_1 = \epsilon$$

  

$$V_2 = \epsilon(1 - x) \left[ \text{Diagram 1} + 2 \text{Diagram 2} \right]$$



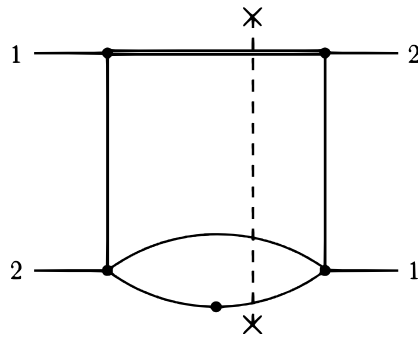
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$$V_3 = \epsilon^3$$


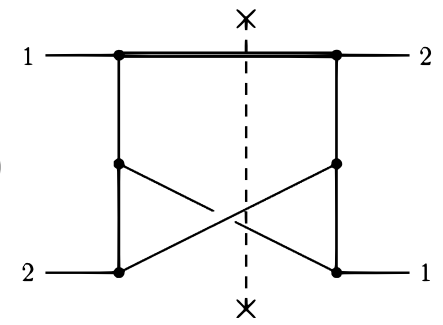
$$V_4 = \epsilon^3(1 - x)$$



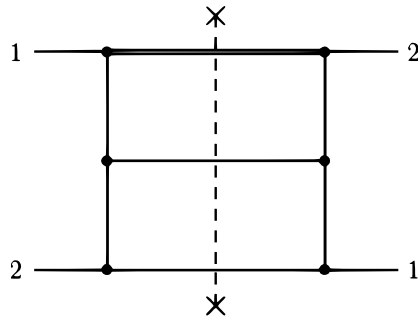
$$V_5 = \epsilon^2(1 - x)$$



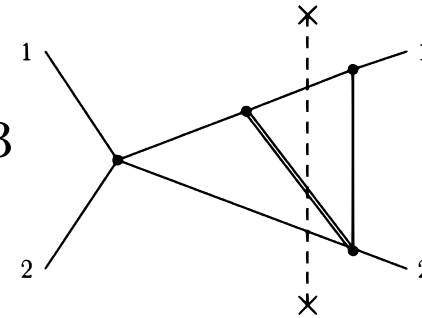
$$V_6 = \epsilon^3 x(1 - x)$$



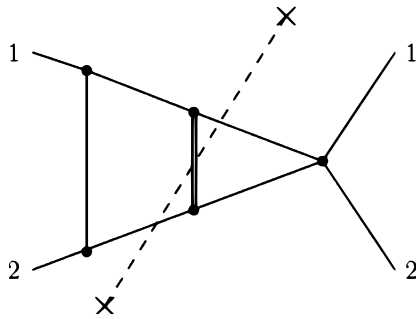
$$V_7 = \epsilon^3(1 - x)$$



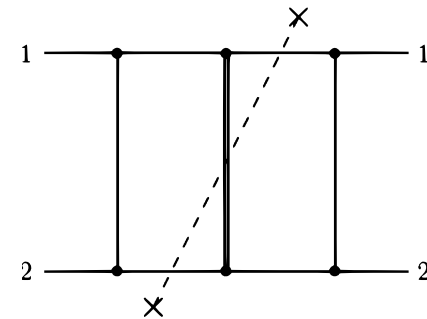
$$V_8 = \epsilon^3$$



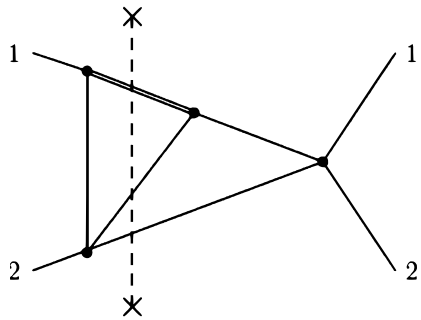
$$V_9 = \epsilon^3$$



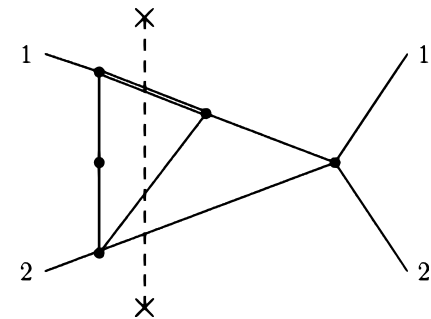
$$V_{10} = \epsilon^3 x$$



$$V_{11} = \epsilon^3$$

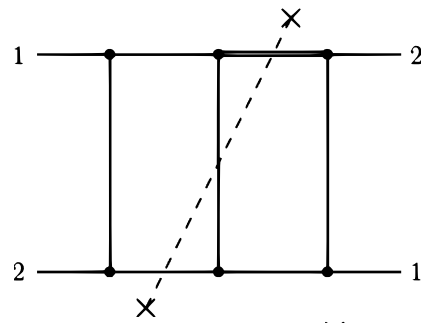


$$V_{12} = \epsilon^2 x$$

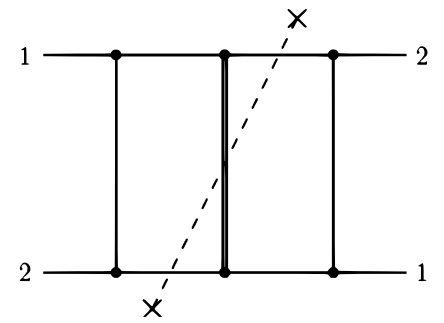


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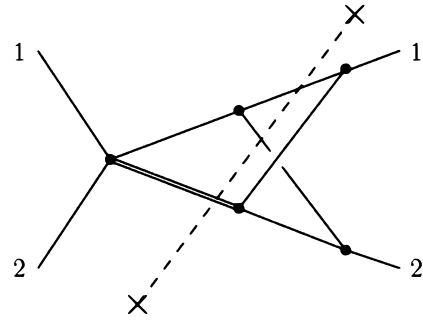
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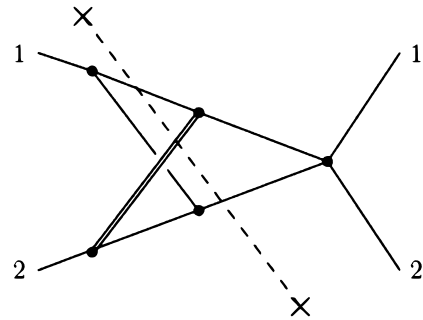
$$V_{14} = \epsilon^3(1 + x)$$



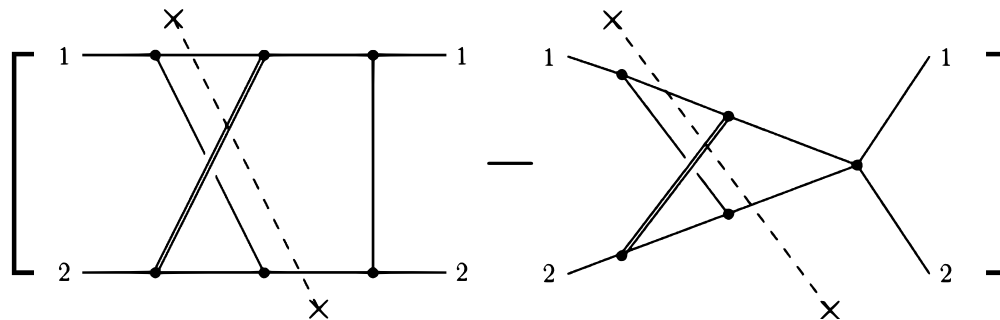
$$V_{15} = \epsilon^3(1 - x)$$



$$V_{16} = \epsilon^3(1 + x)$$



$$V_{17} = \epsilon^3 x$$



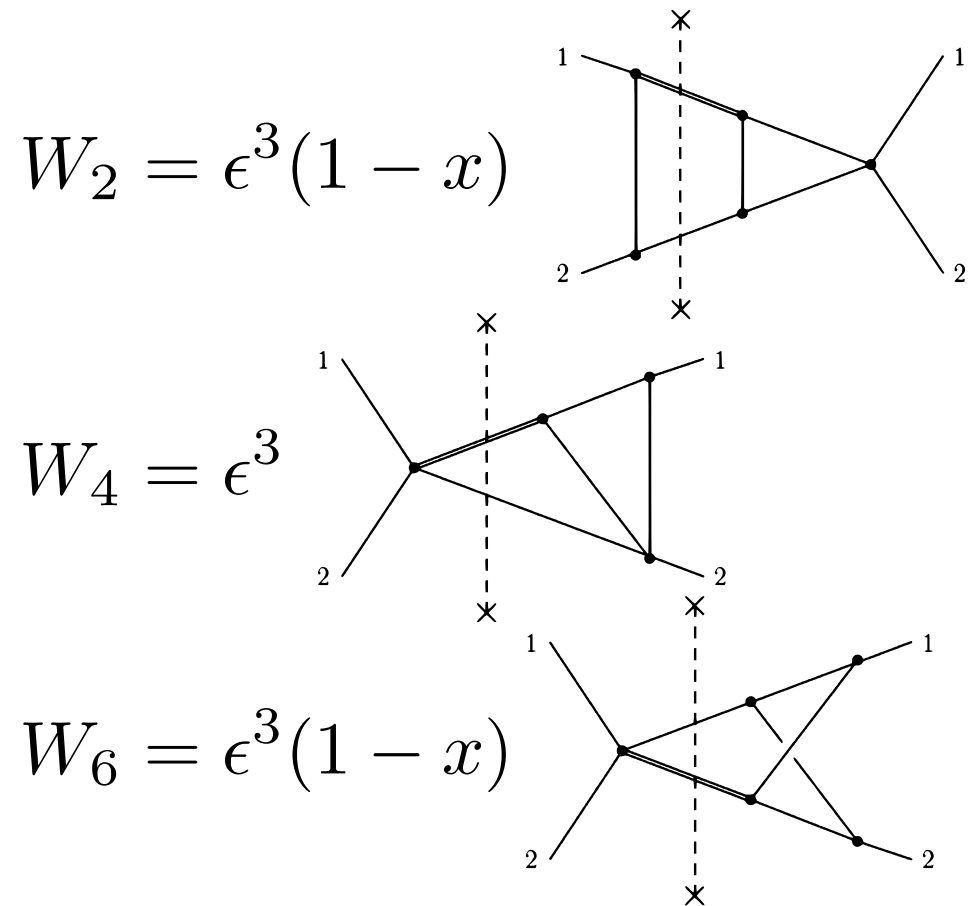
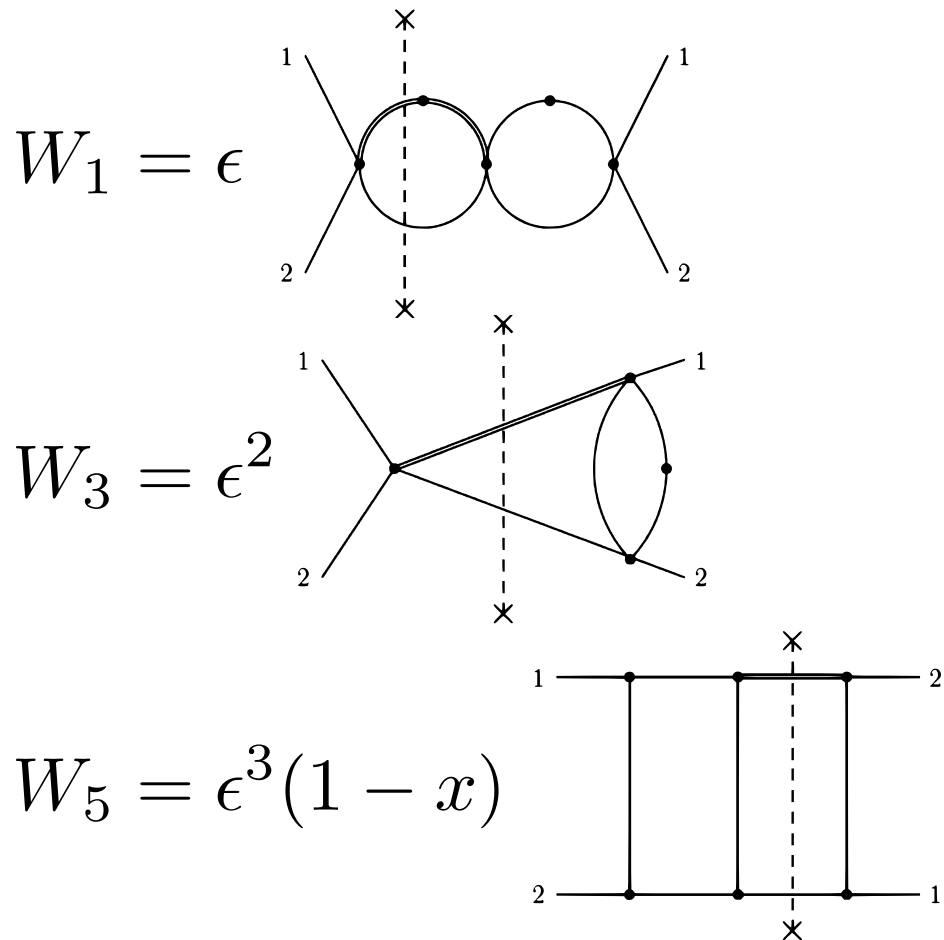




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$$b_W = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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- The canonical basis and the reduction basis:

$$\vec{f}_{\text{canonical}} = B \vec{f}_{\text{reduction}}$$

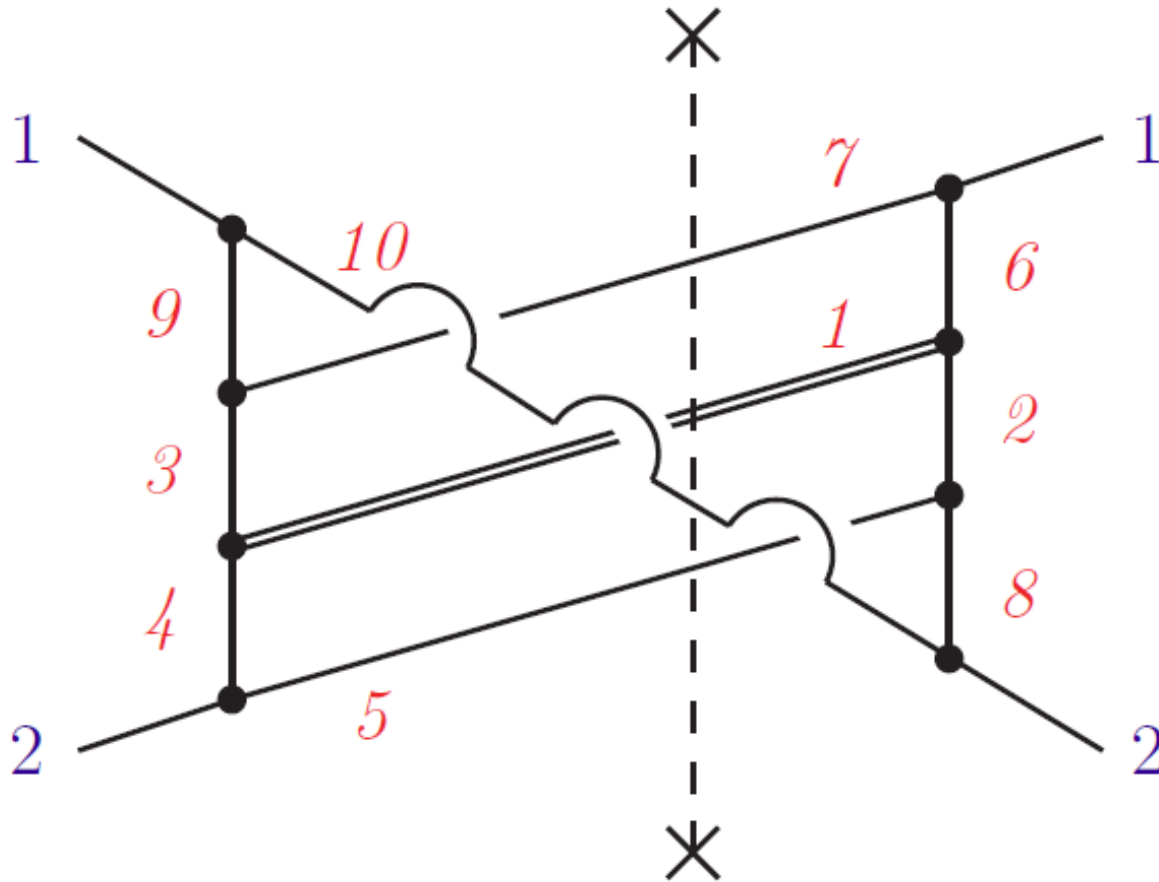
- In the reduction basis, the values of the soft limit are obtained from the corresponding phase space integrals
- Translate the soft limits in reduction basis into those in the canonical basis (Avoid direct evaluation of soft limits of diagrams with dotted cut propagators)

$$\vec{f}_{\text{canonical}}^{\text{soft}} = B \vec{f}_{\text{reduction}}^{\text{soft}}$$

- Solve MIs in the canonical basis with the soft limits as the boundary condition
- Checked  $\vec{f}_{\text{reduction}} = B^{-1} \vec{f}_{\text{canonical}}$  with known results

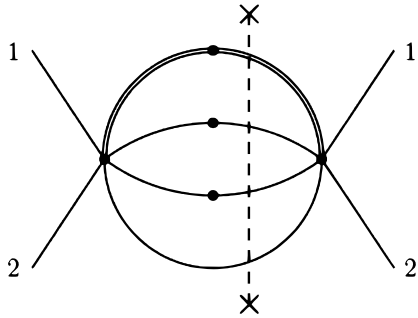
# Example at N<sup>3</sup>LO

- Sea-snake topology (11 MIs)

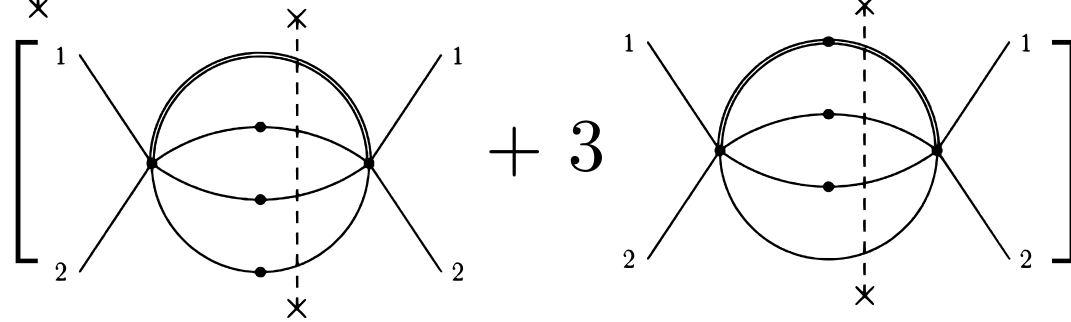


# Example at N<sup>3</sup>LO

$$S_1 = \epsilon^2$$

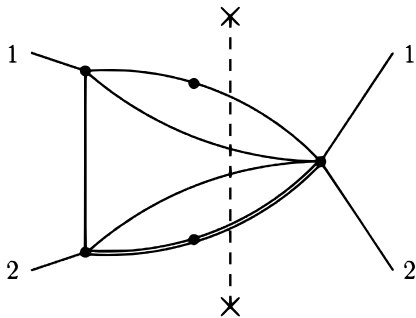


$$S_2 = \epsilon^2(1 - x)$$

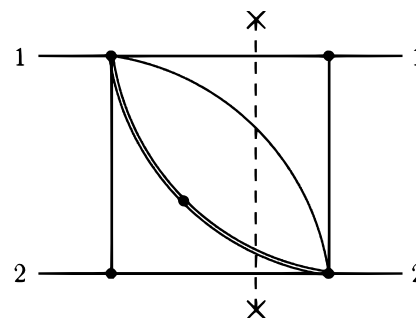


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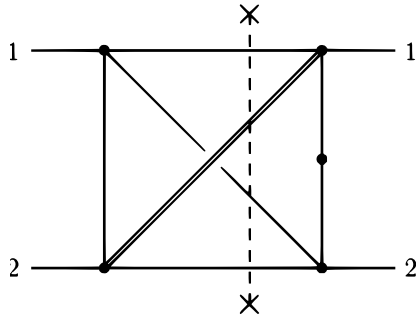
$$S_3 = \epsilon^3$$



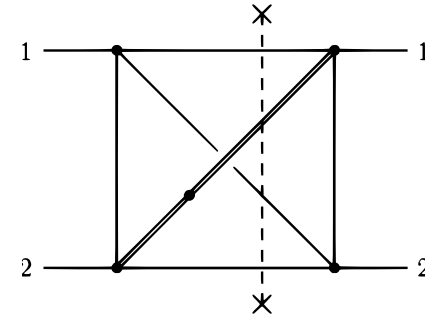
$$S_4 = \epsilon^4$$



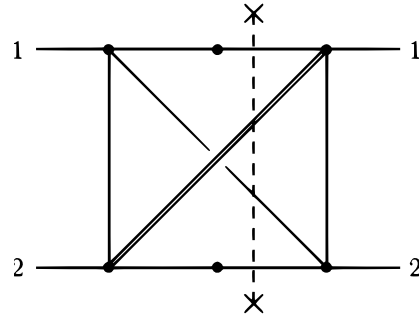
$$S_5 = \epsilon^4$$



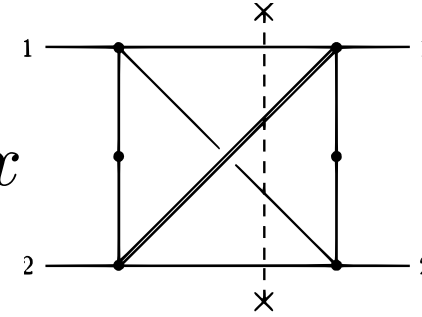
$$S_6 = \epsilon^4$$



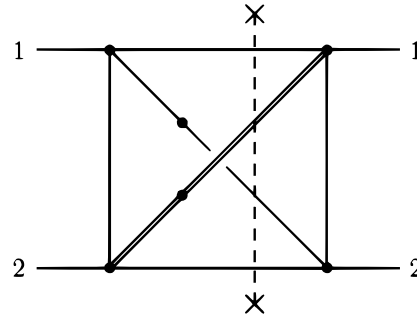
$$S_7 = \epsilon^3(1 - x)$$



$$S_8 = \epsilon^3 x$$



$$S_9 = \epsilon^3 x$$

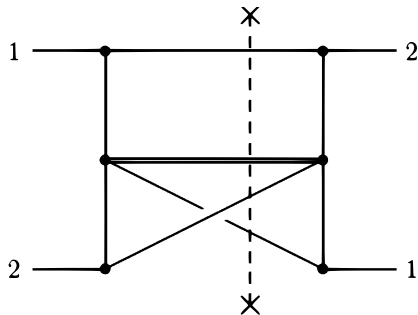


diagrammatically similar to  
MIs of off-shell  $K_4$

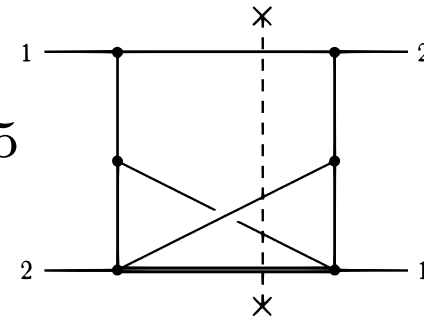
[Henn, Smirnov<sup>2</sup> '14]

coupled

$$S_{10} = \epsilon^5$$



$$S_{11} = \epsilon^5$$



# Example at N<sup>3</sup>LO

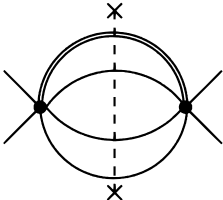
$$A_S = \frac{a_S}{x} + \frac{b_S}{1-x}$$

$$a_S = \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -12 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -\frac{1}{6} & 0 & -3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{6} & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{5}{6} & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{7}{3} & -\frac{7}{3} & \frac{7}{12} & \frac{1}{4} & -\frac{1}{6} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{11}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 0 & \frac{14}{3} & -\frac{14}{3} & \frac{7}{6} & \frac{5}{2} & \frac{8}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{7}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{7}{2} & -\frac{2}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{7}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & 2 & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{11}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{6} & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & -7 & 0 & -13 & -2 & -\frac{3}{2} & -\frac{5}{2} & -2 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b_S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{11}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & 6 & 0 & \frac{50}{3} & \frac{10}{3} & \frac{37}{6} & \frac{7}{2} & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{11}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & 6 & 0 & \frac{50}{3} & \frac{10}{3} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{7}{2} & \frac{5}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{11}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & -6 & 0 & -\frac{50}{3} & -\frac{10}{3} & -\frac{19}{6} & -\frac{7}{2} & -\frac{5}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

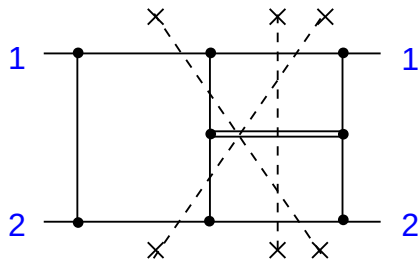


# Example at N<sup>3</sup>LO

- As the boundary condition, compute values of the soft limit in the reduction basis, translated into those in the canonical basis
  - For this purpose, the method of soft MIs are used, where the coefficients in soft expansions are expressed in a small number of soft MIs [\[Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Mistlberger '13\]](#)
  - The soft MI for this topology is only the phase-space 
  - Without the reduction to the soft MI, the leading terms in the soft expansions of the MIs can be computed with the standard MB techniques
- Solved up to weight 6, enough for N<sup>3</sup>LO

# Work in Progress

- Other topologies: example: Tennis coat topology



- 3- and 4-particle cuts (36 MIs)

- As a preliminary result, we have obtained a canonical basis

- The last 2 MIs are coupled. Applying aforementioned algorithm to a candidate for the 35<sup>th</sup> MI succeeded

$$\epsilon^5(1-x) \left[ \text{Diagram 1} \right] \sim \epsilon^3(1-x) \left[ \text{Diagram 2} \right]$$

↖ Canonical MI at NNLO

- For the boundary condition, the standard MB technique works?? [MB Tools \(MB.m and Mbasymptotics.m by Czakon;](#)  
[barnesroutines.m by Kosower\)](#)

# Summary

- We studied MIs needed for the Higgs production via the DE method with canonical bases
  - Recomputed MIs up to NNLO
  - Application to MIs at N<sup>3</sup>LO
- We developed an algorithm to see whether or not an integral in a coupled system of DEs can be a canonical MI
- Work in progress for other topologies at N<sup>3</sup>LO