

APPLICATIONS OF  
SYMBOLS AND GRAPH MATROIDS  
AND  
REDUZE 2

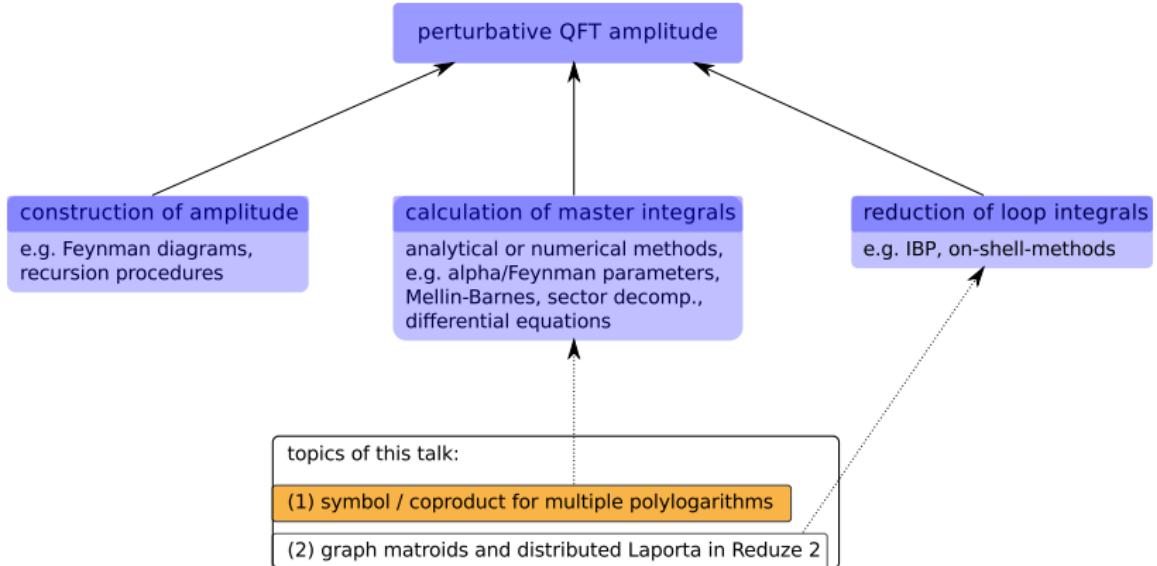
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# MOTIVATION FOR SYMBOL CALCULUS

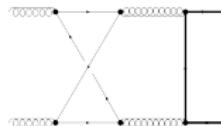
## symbol calculus:

- tool to exploit functional relations between polylogarithms in a systematic way
  - ▶ works: simplify and transform functions; Zagier ('91), Goncharov ('95), Gangl ('02)
  - ▶ wish: perform integrations, see talk by C. Bogner

## first application in theoretical physics:

- $N = 4$  supersymmetric Yang-Mills two-loop six-point remainder function  
Del Duca, Duhr, Smirnov (09):  $\mathcal{O}(10^3)$  multi-dimensional polylogs
- simplifies to few-line expression with few  $\text{Li}_4$ ,  $\text{Li}_2$  and  $\text{In}$ !  
found with symbols by Goncharov, Spradlin, Vergu, Volovich ('10)

symbols also very welcome for **QCD**, e.g.:



- e.g.
- corner integral alone gives  $\mathcal{O}(10^3)$  GPLs, many two-dimensional
- numerical evaluation slow, stability problematic
- switching basis functions, expansions, analytical continuation difficult
- simplifications guided by symbols possible; **Ferroglio, AvM, Studerus**

crucial progress very recently:

- construction of functions for given symbol; **Duhr, Gangl, Rhodes ('11)**
  - ▶ applied to HPLs; **Bühler, Duhr ('11)**
- extended symbol calculus from coproduct: **constants;**  
**Goncharov ('02), Brown ('11), Duhr ('12)**  
demonstrated for QCD amplitude; **Duhr ('12)**

## DEFINITION OF SYMBOL MAP

Let  $G$  be a generalized polylogarithm with

$$dG = \sum_i \hat{G}_i d \ln(R_i)$$

where  $R_i$  is a rational function of the polylog arguments. The **symbol map**  $\mathcal{S}$

$$\mathcal{S}(G) = \sum_i \mathcal{S}(\hat{G}_i) \otimes R_i,$$

associates a tensor with the polylogarithm.

examples:

- $\mathcal{S}(\ln x) = x$
- $\mathcal{S}(\text{Li}_3 x) = -((1-x) \otimes x \otimes x)$
- $\mathcal{S}(G(1, 0, -1, -1, x)) = (1+x) \otimes (1+x) \otimes x \otimes (1-x)$

## RULES FOR SYMBOLS

- $R_1 \cdots \otimes (R_a R_b) \otimes \cdots R_k = R_1 \cdots \otimes R_a \otimes \cdots R_k + R_1 \cdots \otimes R_b \otimes \cdots R_k$  (log law)
- $R_1 \cdots \otimes (c R_a) \otimes \cdots R_k = R_1 \cdots \otimes R_a \otimes \cdots R_k$  for constant  $c$
- preserves shuffle product

## EXAMPLE FOR SYMBOL CALCULUS

goal: derive "simplification formula" for  $\text{Li}_2(1/x)$  with  $0 < x < 1$ ,  $\text{Im } x = \varepsilon$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{S}(\text{Li}_2(1/x)) &= -(-1 + 1/x) \otimes (1/x) \\ &= (1 - x) \otimes x - x \otimes x \\ &= \mathcal{S}(-\text{Li}_2(x) - (1/2) \ln^2 x)\end{aligned}$$

reproduces the highest degree part of the full answer

$$\text{Li}_2(1/x) = -\text{Li}_2(x) - (1/2) \ln^2 x + i\pi \ln x - (2/3)\pi^2$$

note: works at **highest degree** only

- $\mathcal{S}(\ln(-x)) = \mathcal{S}(\ln(x))$ : no info on discontinuity
- $\mathcal{S}(\pi) = \mathcal{S}(\zeta_3) = 0$ : no constants

# SYSTEMATIC REDUCTION TO BASIS FUNCTION WITH SYMBOLS

"INTEGRATING THE SYMBOL"

Duhr, Gangl, Rhodes ('11)

- ① compute symbol of expression to match and normalize symbol
- ② pick functions:  $\text{Li}_n(R_1)$ ,  $\text{Li}_2(R_1)$ ,  $\text{Li}_3(R_1)$ ,  $\text{Li}_4(R_1)$ ,  $\text{Li}_{22}(R_1, R_2)$ , ...
- ③ pick arguments: algorithmic procedure guided by symbol to match
- ④ build basis functions
- ⑤ iterative procedure
  - ▶ project symbol onto some subspace:  
elimination of shuffle products and (anti)symmetrizations
  - ▶ match against a specific class of basis function, subtract this contribution

## QCD APPLICATION

$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  at **two-loops**, ferm. contrib. (incl. non-planar part)

- pick specific coefficient in finite part: linear combination of polylogs
- pick uniform weight 4 part
- representation not unique (due to crossings etc.), imaginary polylogs
- here: 182 GPLs in total, 84 weight 4 non- $\text{Li}_k$  GPLs
- symbol contains slots (weight have unit roots):

$$\{-1 + x, x, 1 + x, y, 1 + y, x + y, 1 + xy, 1 + x^2 + xy, 1 - x + x^2 + xy\}$$

**algorithmic conversion** to new set of real basis function:

- ① partition (4) (no shuffles), antisymmetric part:  $\text{Li}_{22}(R_1, R_2)$   
using  $a(a(w, x), a(y, z))$  with  $a(y, z) = y \otimes z - z \otimes y$
- ② partition (4) (no shuffles), rest:  $\text{Li}_4(R_1)$
- ③ partition (3,1):  $\text{Li}_3(R_1) \ln(R_2)$
- ④ partition (2,2):  $\text{Li}_2(R_1) \text{Li}_2(R_2)$
- ⑤ partition (2,1,1):  $\text{Li}_2(R_1) \ln(R_2) \ln(R_3)$
- ⑥ partition (1,1,1,1) (rest):  $\ln(R_1) \ln(R_2) \ln(R_3) \ln(R_4)$

**result:**

- 28  $\text{Li}_{22}$ , 48  $\text{Li}_4$ , 58  $\text{Li}_3$ , 18  $\text{Li}_2$ , 11  $\ln$
- all real

*What about **subleading degree** terms ( $const \times \text{polylog}$ ) ?*

- accessible by **coproduct**: Goncharov ('02), Brown ('11)
- extended symbol calculus based on coproduct by Duhr ('12):
  - ▶ systematic approach
  - ▶ applied to two-loop QCD amplitude

## DEFINITION OF THE COPRODUCT

For a multiple polylogarithm

$$I(a_0; a_1, \dots, a_n; a_{n+1}) = \int_{a_0}^{a_{n+1}} \frac{dt}{t - a_n} I(a_0; a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}; t)$$

the coproduct  $\Delta$  is defined according to Goncharov ('02):

$$\Delta(I(a_0; a_1, \dots, a_n; a_{n+1})) = \sum_{0=i_1 < \dots < i_{k+1}=n} I(a_0; a_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_k}; a_{n+1}) \otimes \prod_{p=0}^k I(a_{i_p}; a_{i_p+1}, \dots, a_{i_{p+1}-1})$$

examples:

- $\Delta(\ln(x)) = 1 \otimes \ln(x) + \ln(x) \otimes 1$
- $\Delta(\text{Li}_2(x)) = 1 \otimes \text{Li}_2(x) - \ln(1-x) \otimes \ln(x) + \text{Li}_2(x) \otimes 1$
- $\Delta(\ln(x) \ln(y)) = 1 \otimes (\ln(x) \ln(y)) + \ln(x) \otimes \ln(y) + \ln(y) \otimes \ln(x) + (\ln(x) \ln(y)) \otimes 1$

## RULES FOR THE COPRODUCT

- coassociativity  $(\text{id} \otimes \Delta) \Delta = (\Delta \otimes \text{id}) \Delta$
- compatible with product:  $\Delta(a \cdot b) = \Delta(a) \cdot \Delta(b)$  where  $(a_1 \otimes a_2) \cdot (b_1 \otimes b_2) \equiv (a_1 \cdot b_1) \otimes (a_2 \cdot b_2)$

note: coproduct means "decomposition"

## GRADED DECOMPOSITION WITH THE COPRODUCT

- Hopf algebra of multiple polylogs **graded by weight**:

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}_n$$

since coproduct preserves weight we may decompose

$$\mathcal{H}_n \xrightarrow{\Delta} \bigoplus_{p+q=n} \mathcal{H}_p \otimes \mathcal{H}_q$$

and define  $\Delta_{p,q}$  to be the part with values in  $\mathcal{H}_p \otimes \mathcal{H}_q$

- iterated coproduct:

$$\mathcal{H} \xrightarrow{\Delta} \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H} \xrightarrow{\Delta \otimes \text{id}} \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H} \xrightarrow{\Delta \otimes \text{id} \otimes \text{id}} \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{H}$$

and corresponding parts  $\Delta_{p,q,\dots,r}$

- symbol  $\mathcal{S}$  = maximally iterated coproduct  $\Delta_{1,\dots,1} \bmod \pi$

calculus can be extended to contain constants:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(\pi) &= \pi \otimes 1 \\ \Delta(\zeta_k) &= \zeta_k \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \zeta_k \quad \text{for } k \text{ (odd)}\end{aligned}$$

example:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_{1,1}(\text{Li}_2(1/x)) &= -\ln(1-1/x) \otimes \ln(1/x) \\ &= \ln(1-x) \otimes \ln(x) - \ln(x) \otimes \ln(x) + i\pi \otimes \ln(x) \\ &= \Delta_{1,1}(-\text{Li}_2(x) - (1/2)\ln^2(x) + i\pi \ln(x))\end{aligned}$$

reproduces identity up to pure constant of maximal transcendality, here:  $\pi^2$   
fix constant by numerical evaluation + PSQL (or limit):

$$\text{Li}_2(1/x) - (-\text{Li}_2(x) - (1/2)\ln^2(x) + i\pi \ln(x)) = -6.5797362673929\cdots = -(2/3)\pi^2$$

**systematic procedure:** back to  $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  at two-loops application:

- ① fix maximum degree 4 part with symbol, subtract from original expression
- ② take  $\Delta_{1,1,1,1}$ , use unique set of real  $\ln$ , gives

$$i\pi \otimes \Delta_{1,1,1}(\text{something})$$

match "something" at degree 3 to basis functions using symbols

- ③ take  $\Delta_{2,1,1}$ , use unique set of real  $\ln, \text{Li}_2$ , gives

$$\pi^2 \otimes \Delta_{1,1}(\text{something})$$

match "something" at degree 2 to basis functions using symbols

- ④ take  $\Delta_{3,1}$ , use unique set of real  $\ln, \text{Li}_2, \text{Li}_3$ , gives

$$\zeta(3) \otimes \text{something1} + i\pi^3 \otimes \text{something2}$$

read off "somethingi" (just logs) at degree 1

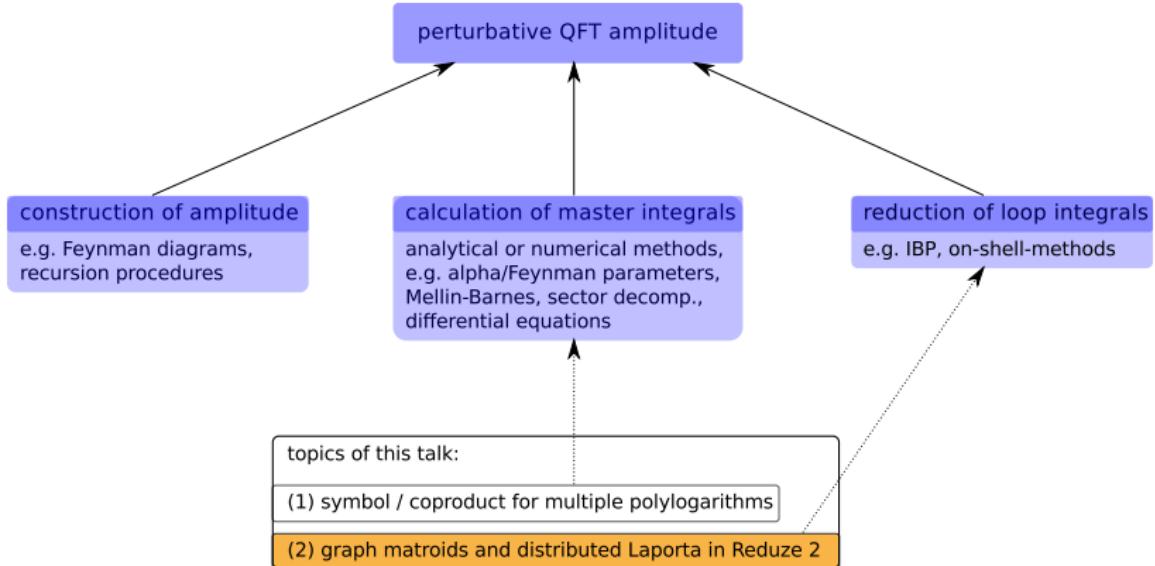
- ⑤ numerical evaluation, match against

$$i\pi\zeta_3, \quad \pi^4$$

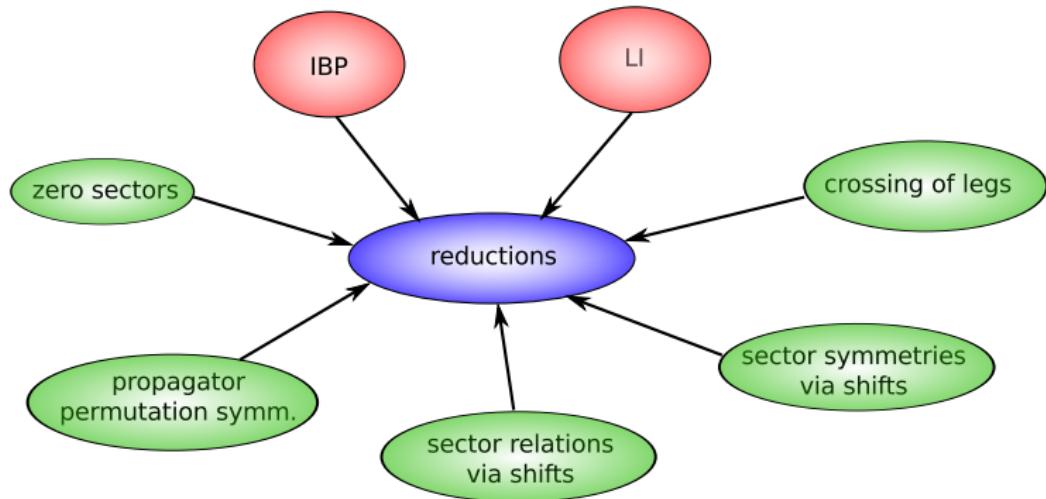
(requires matching of degree 3 and lower, obtained by recursion)

**results** for  $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ :

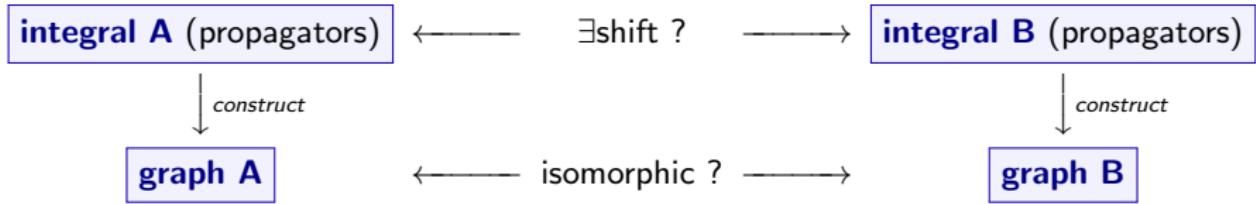
- considerable simplifications for poles
- finite parts: heavy improvement in access wrt traditional techniques



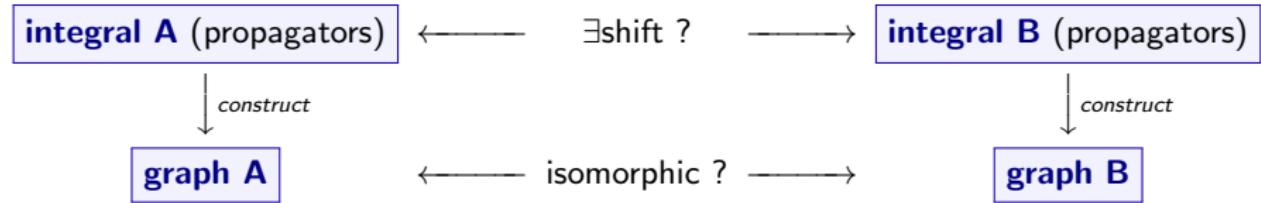
# REMOVING AMBIGUITIES FOR INTEGRALS



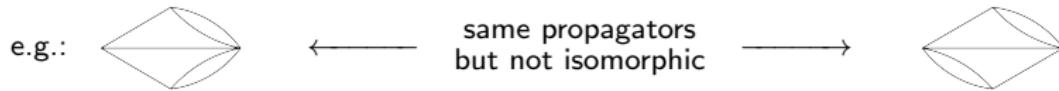
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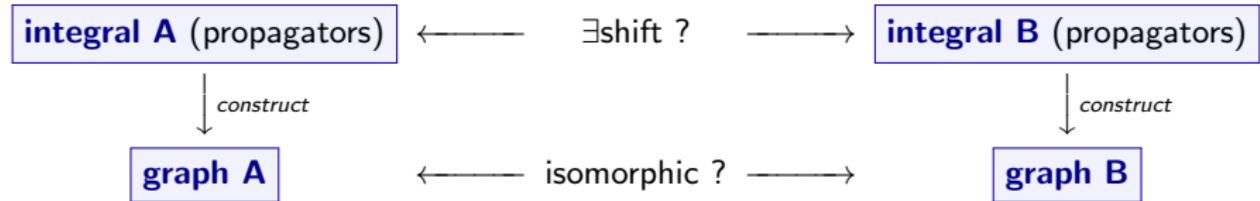
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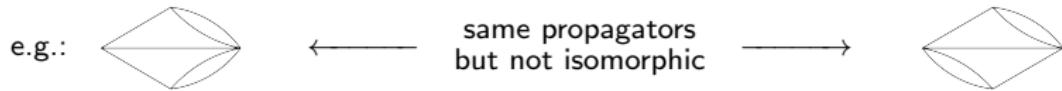
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## REDUZE 2: SECTORS, GRAPHS AND MATROIDS



- **problem:** graphs not unique !



- **solution:** select unique representative by allowing for **twists**

idea based on **theorem** by Bogner, Weinzierl (2010):

**first Symanzik polynomials  $\mathcal{U}$  isomorphic  $\Leftrightarrow$  graphs isomorphic up to twists**

proof based on **Whitney's theorem** for isomorphisms of graph matroids

## DEFINITION OF MATROID

A matroid is a pair  $(E, \mathcal{I})$  where  $E$  finite ground set,  $\mathcal{I}$  collection of subsets of  $E$ , the "**independent sets**", and

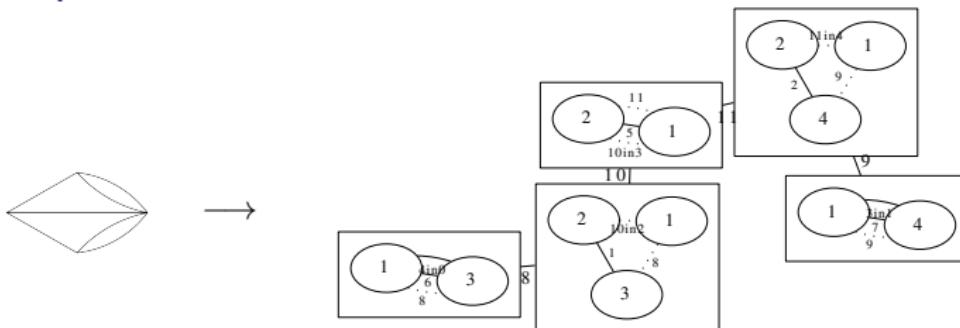
- $\emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$
  - if  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $I' \subset I$  then also  $I' \in \mathcal{I}$
  - if  $I_1, I_2 \in \mathcal{I}$ ,  $|I_1| < |I_2|$  then  $\exists e \in I_2 - I_1$  with  $I_1 \cup \{e\} \in \mathcal{I}$
- 
- generalizes notion of **linear dependency**
  - graph matroid: dependencies of **edges**
  - application to Feynman graph: propagators relevant, no reference to vertices

propagators of two vacuum diagrams related by shift  $\Leftrightarrow$  graph matroids isomorphic

#### ALGORITHM: SHIFT FINDER

- ① generate graph for sector
  - ② colour edges according to masses
  - ③ connect external legs with a new vertex
  - ④ decompose into triconnected components (Hopcroft, Tarjan '73; Gutwenger, Mutzel '01)
  - ⑤ minimize graph by twists
  - ⑥ check for graph isomorphism (McKay '81)

### example:



tree of triconnected components  
(dashed “virtual edges” mark positions for Tutte twists)

tree of triconnected components:

all available in open source program:



Reduze 2 - Distributed Feynman Integral Reduction

A.v.M., Studerus

arXiv:1201.4330

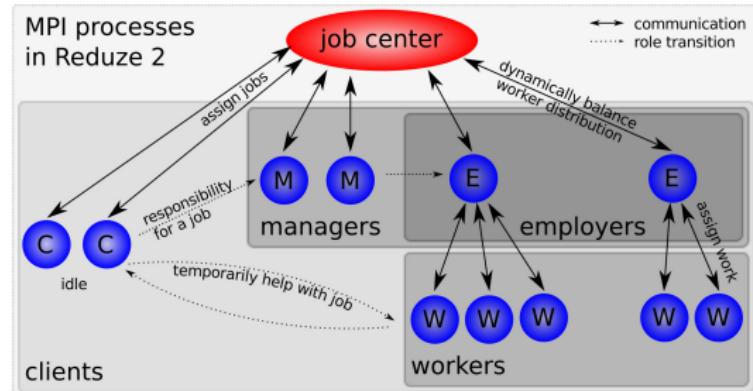
<http://projects.hepforge.org/reduze>

# APPLICATION EXAMPLE

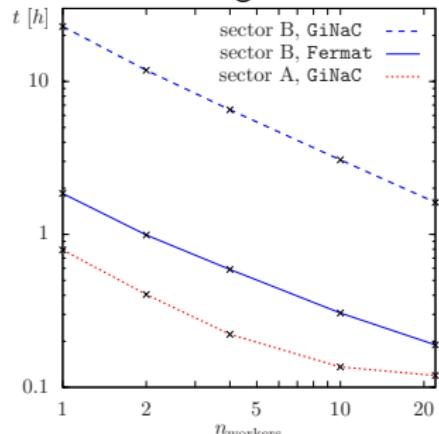
auto-generated shifts for non-planar double box family:

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figures : less
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...
sector_mappings:
  name: box2n
  zero_sectors:
    t=0: []
    t=1: [1, 4, 16, 64, 256]
    t=2: [3, 5, 6, 12, 17, 18, 20, 24, 48, 65, 66, 68, 72, 80, 96, 192, 257, 260, 272, 320]
    [... truncated]
  sectors_without_graph:
    t=3: [22, 28, 52, 82, 84, 88, 104, 112, 276]
    t=4: [23, 29, 30, 53, 54, 60, 83, 85, 86, 89, 90, 92, 105, 106, 108, 113, 114, 116, 120, 21
    t=5: [31, 55, 61, 87, 91, 93, 94, 107, 109, 110, 115, 117, 118, 121, 122, 124, 211, 213, 21
    [... truncated]
  sector_relations:
    3: [[box2p, 3], [[k1, k1], [k2, k2]]]
    6: [[box2p, 3], [[k1, -p1+k2], [k2, k1]]]
    7: [[box2p, 11], [[k1, k1-p1], [k2, k2]]]
    12: [[box2p, 3], [[k1, k1-p1], [k2, k2-p2]]]
    13: [[box2p, 11], [[k1, k1-p1], [k2, k2-p2]]]
    15: [[box2p, 58], [[k1, -p1+k2], [k2, k1-p1+p2]]]
    18: [[box2p, 3], [[k1, k2+p3], [k2, k1]]]
    19: [[box2px13x24, 11], [[k1, k1+p3], [k2, k2]]]
    24: [[box2p, 3], [[k1, k2+p3], [k2, k1-p2]]]
    25: [[box2px13x24, 11], [[k1, k1+p3], [k2, k2-p2]]]
    26: [[box2px12x34, 11], [[k1, k2+p3], [k2, k1-p2]]]
    27: [[box2px13, 58], [[k1, k2+p3], [k2, k1-p2+p3]]]
    [... truncated]
  crossed_sector_relations:
    x12:
      207: [[box2n, 207], [[k1, -k2-p2], [k2, -k1-p1]]]
      335: [[box2n, 335], [[k1, -k2-p2], [k2, -k1-p1]]]
      463: [[box2n, 463], [[k1, -k2-p2], [k2, -k1-p1]]]
    x123:
      335: [[box2n, 335], [[k1, -k2-p2], [k2, k1+p1-k2]]]
    x124:
      335: [[box2nx14x23, 335], [[k1, -k1+p1+k2-p3]]]
    x1243:
      335: [[box2nx14x23, 335], [[k1, -k1+p1+k2-p3], [k2, -k1+p1+p2-p3]]]
    sector_symmetries:
      207:
        - [[k1, -k1-p1], [k2, -k2-p2]]
        - [[k1, -k2-p2], [p1, p2], [k2, -k1-p1], [p2, p1], [p3, p1+p2-p3]]
        - [[k1, k2], [p1, p2], [k2, k1], [p2, p1], [p3, p1+p2-p3]]
      463:
        - [[k1, k2], [p1, p2], [k2, k1], [p2, p1], [p3, p1+p2-p3]]
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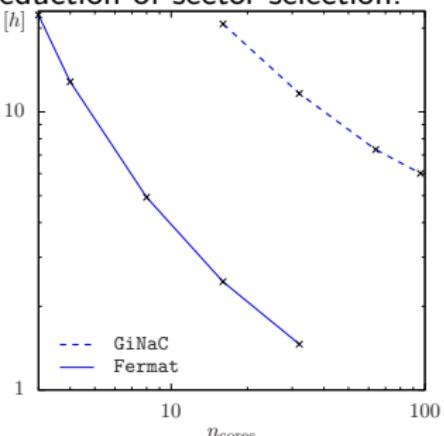
## REDUZE 2: DISTRIBUTED LAPORTA ALGORITHM



reduction of single sector:



reduction of sector selection:



## AVAILABLE JOBS IN REDUZE 2

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andreas : bash
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andreas@chili:~$ reduze -h jobs

List of available job types:

apply_crossings:           Generates reduction results for crossed sectors.
cat_files:                 Concatenates files.
collect_integrals:          Collects all integrals appearing in the input file.
compute_diagram_interferences: Computes interferences of diagrams.
compute_differential_equations: Computes derivatives of integrals wrt invariants.
export:                     Exports to FORM, Mathematica or Maple format.
find_diagram_shifts:        Matches diagrams to sectors via graphs.
find_diagram_shifts_alt:    Matches diagrams to sectors via combinatorics.
generate_identities:        Generates identities like IBPs for given seeds.
generate_seeds:             Generates integrals from a sector.
insert_reductions:          Inserts reductions in expressions.
normalize:                  Simplifies linear combinations and equations.
print_reduction_info_file: Analyzes reductions in a file.
print_reduction_info_sectors: Analyzes reductions available for sectors.
print_sector_info:          Prints diagrams and other information for sectors.
reduce_files:               Reduces identities in given files.
reduce_sectors:             Reduces integrals from a selection of sectors.
run_reduction:              Low-level job to run a reduction.
select_reductions:          Selects reductions for integrals.
setup_sector_mappings:      Finds shifts between sectors via graphs.
setup_sector_mappings_alt:  Finds shifts between sectors via combinatorics.
sum_terms:                  Sums terms.
test:                      Empty job template.
verify_same_terms:          Verifies two files contain the same terms.

andreas@chili:~$
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# CONCLUSIONS

- **symbol + coproduct** refinement:
  - ▶ powerful algorithmic treatment of multiple polylogs
  - ▶ outlook: direct solving of differential equations ?
- **graph matroid algorithm**
  - ▶ allows to identify Feynman integrals
- **Reduze 2**: open source tool
  - ▶ parallelized reductions of Feynman integrals
  - ▶ finding shifts between sectors or diagrams