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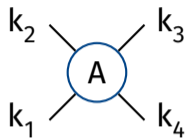
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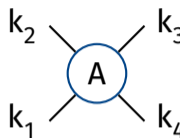
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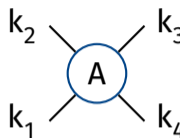
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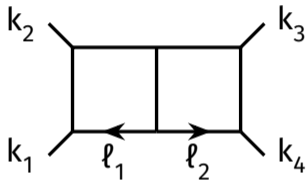
2. Special relations: remove masters which are redundant to $O(\epsilon)$

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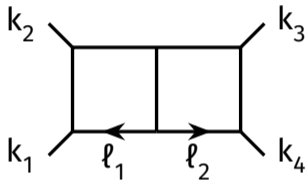


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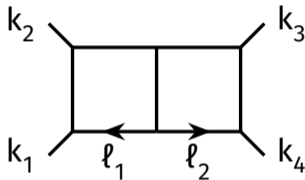
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This talk:
 $r = 0$ (finite)
 $r = 1$ (4d-vanishing)

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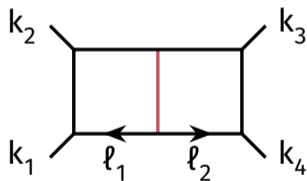
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- subdivergences \rightarrow linear constraints on c_i

$$\text{Num}(\ell_1, \lambda \ell_2) = \underbrace{(c_N \dots)}_{=0} \lambda^5 + (\dots) \lambda^4 + \dots$$

IR divergences

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[Agarwal, Magnea et al. 2021; Collins 2011; see also Anastasiou, Sterman 2018]

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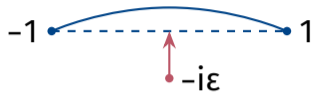
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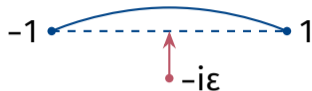
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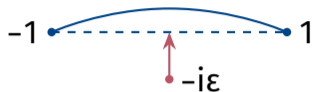
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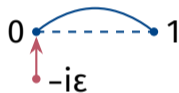
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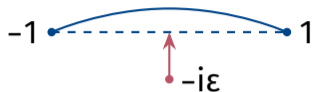
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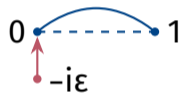
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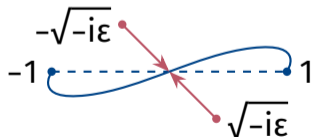
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Landau equations

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$$\int d\ell \int_0^\infty d\alpha \frac{\dots}{\underbrace{(\alpha_1 \text{Den}_1 + \dots + \alpha_E \text{Den}_E)}_{Q(\alpha, \ell)}} \longrightarrow \int_0^\infty d\alpha \frac{\dots}{F(\alpha)}$$

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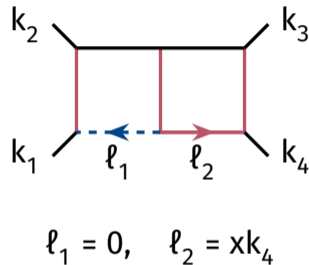
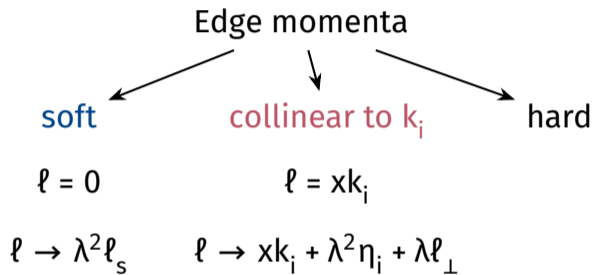
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1. kinematics-independent \rightarrow divergences

2. kinematics-dependent \rightarrow Landau singularities [\[see William's talk\]](#)

$$\text{Integral} \supset \log\left(\frac{m^2 - s}{m^2}\right) \Rightarrow \text{singularity at } s = m^2$$

General structure of solutions



[Coleman, Norton 1965; Sterman 1978; Libby, Sterman 1978]

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$$G \begin{pmatrix} p_1 & \dots & p_n \\ q_1 & \dots & q_n \end{pmatrix} = \det(2p_i \cdot q_j)$$

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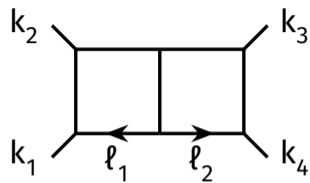
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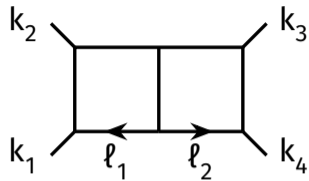
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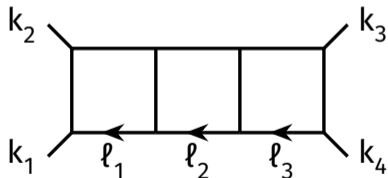
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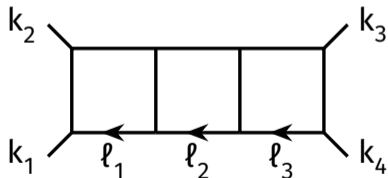
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 \end{array}$$

Summary

1. We have developed an algorithmic procedure for finding sets of finite and $O(\epsilon)$ integrals for a given diagram
2. IR-finite integrals can be compactly described in terms of generating numerators
3. These integrals can be used to construct minimally divergent bases and to find special relations on the masters