

Higher order corrections to Bhabha scattering

– Two-loop contributions –



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See also:

- PRD 71 (2005), hep-ph/0412164
- <http://www-zeuthen.desy.de/theory/research/bhabha/>

- What do we need? $\rightarrow 10^{-4}$ for $d\sigma/d\cos\vartheta$ at small ϑ
- Scalar master integrals $\rightarrow \dots$ 2-box masters + others
- Summary

The Physics Needs

For more details see e.g.:

K. Mönig, "Bhabha scattering at the ILC"

talk at Mini-WS on Bhabha scattering, Univ. Karlsruhe, April 2005

[/afs/ifh.de/user/m/moenig/public/www/bhabha_ilc.pdf](http://afs/ifh.de/user/m/moenig/public/www/bhabha_ilc.pdf)

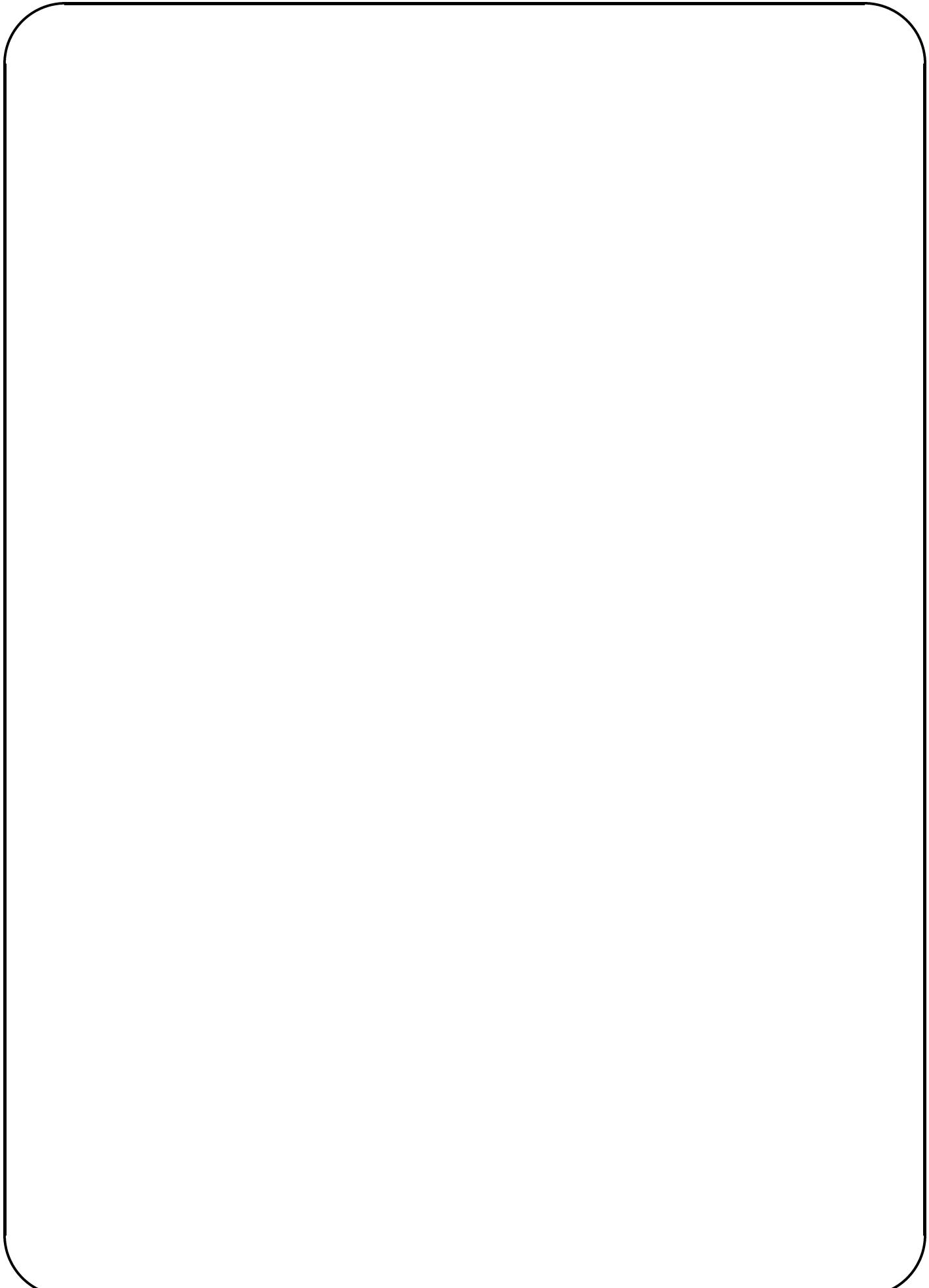
ILC/GigaZ – Need Bhabha cross-sections with 3–4 significant digits.

Why?

- **ILC**: $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-, f\bar{f}$ with $O(10^6)$ events $\rightarrow 10^{-3}$
- **ILC**: $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$, a probe for New Physics with $O(10^5)$ events/year $\rightarrow 10^{-3}$
- **GigaZ**: relevant physics derived from $Z \rightarrow \text{hadrons}, l^+l^-$, the latter with $O(10^8)$ events $\rightarrow 10^{-4}$, the systematic errors (**luminosity!**) influence this

Conclude: will need $\Delta\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L} \approx 2 \times 10^{-4}$

The luminosity comes from very forward Bhabha scattering.



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MEMO
Luminosity Measurement via Bhabha Scattering:
Requirements on Position Reconstruction
to Achieve a 10^{-4} Precision

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Abstract

This memo is based on Monte Carlo simulations with the BHLUMI generator of Jadach and Was. It addresses the question how accurately electrons and positrons have to be reconstructed in the TESLA Lum-Cal in order to achieve a precision of 10^{-4} on the luminosity measurement.

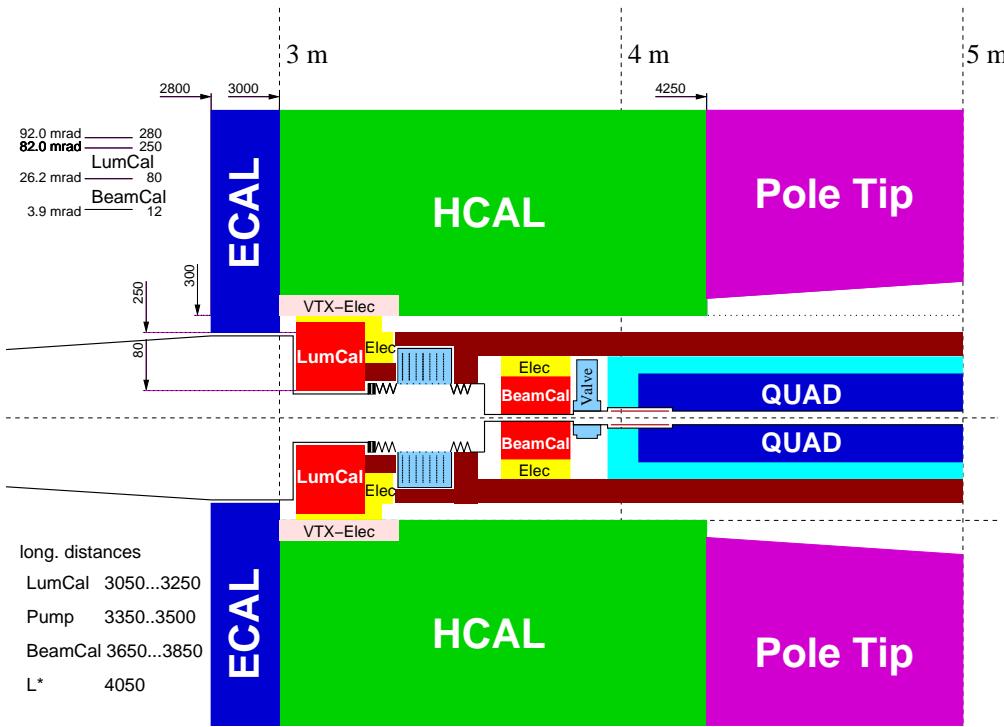
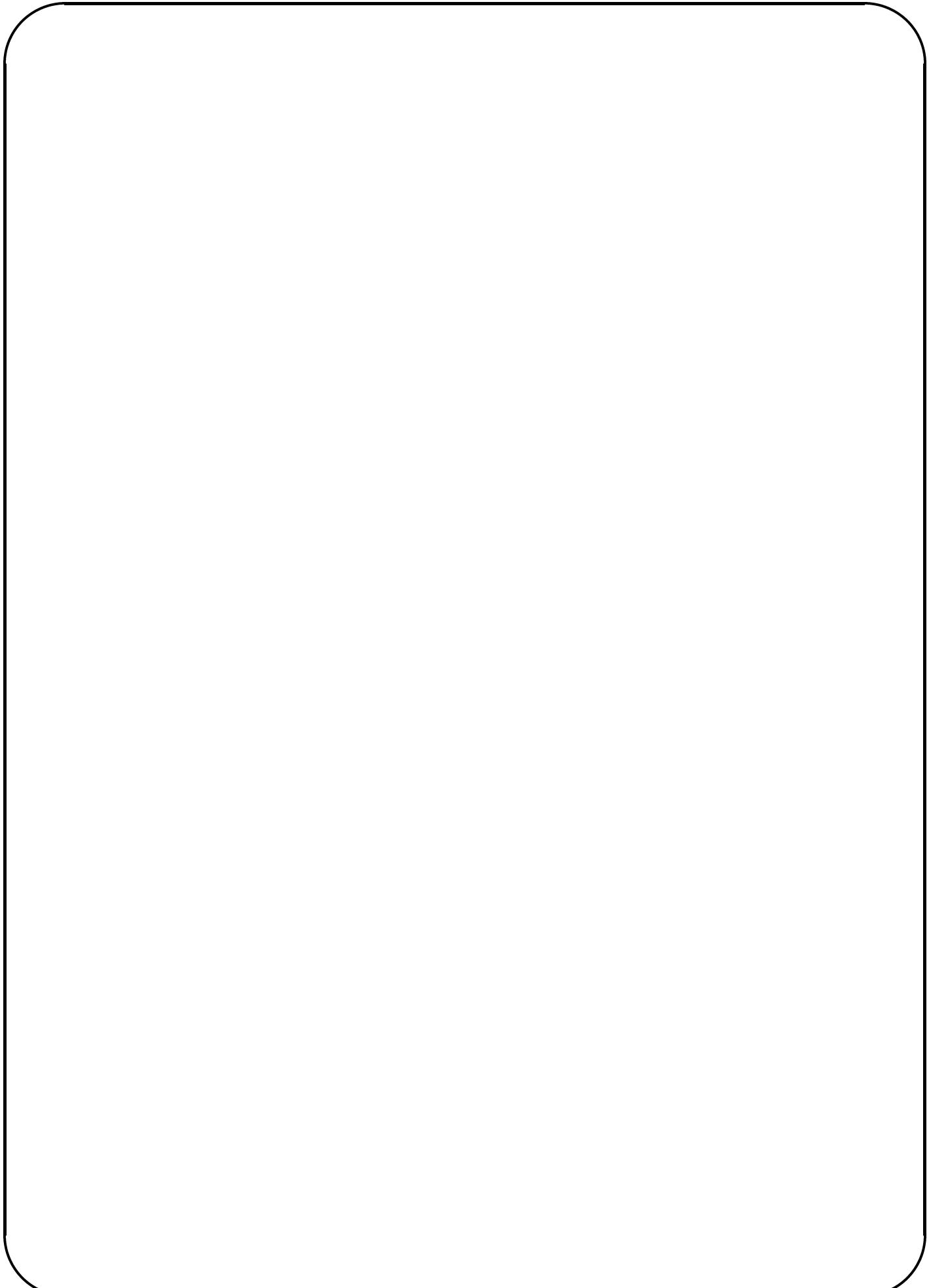


Figure 13: Preliminary redesign of the forward region for a focal length of 4 to 5 meters.



1 Method

Bhabha events are simulated with BHLUMI¹ in the phase space region of the TESLA luminosity calorimeter. The simulation is based on a redesign of the forward region for an l^* that allows to place the luminosity calorimeter behind the ECal endcap. The luminosity calorimeter is called LumCal to distinguish it from the LAT and LCal of the TDR design. The design is sketched in fig. 13.

A simple selection is applied to the simulated events (see below). In a first step the position of the electron and positron on the front face of LumCal is calculated. The scattering angles are determined from these positions. The energy of the particles is taken from the tree. In subsequent steps the position and energy are subjected to systematic misreconstructions. The change in the number of accepted events with respect to step 1 gives the systematic error introduced by the respective systematic error. The size of the effects are varied in order to determine the level which is acceptable in order to achieve a 10^{-4} precision on the luminosity measurement. The same event sample is used for all steps so that statistical fluctuations largely cancel.

BHLUMI version 4.04 was used with the following parameters:

Type of generator	BHLUM4
Photon Removal	on
Event weights	off
Random generator	RANMAR
Z^0 -contribution	on
QED matrix elements	from BHLUM4
Vacuum polarisation	from ref. 1
center-of-mass energy	250 GeV
min. scattering angle	25 mrad
max. scattering angle	90 mrad
photon infrared cut-off	10^{-4}

The following cuts are applied

- energy: $E(e^+) > 0.8 E_{\text{beam}}$
 $E(e^-) > 0.8 E_{\text{beam}}$
- scattering angle of positron: $30 \text{ mrad} < \theta^+ < 75 \text{ mrad}$
- accollinearity: $\cos \theta_{\text{acol}} > 0.98$

Some Kinematics

Need a cross-section prediction with **5 significant digits**.

Perturbative orders:

$$\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) = 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 = 0.6 \times 10^{-5}$$

Kinematics:

$$\sqrt{s} = 90 \dots 1000 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\vartheta = 26 \dots 82 \text{ mrad}$$

$$\cos \vartheta \sim 0.999 \ 66 \dots 0.996 \ 64$$

$$T = \frac{s}{2}(1 - \beta^2 \cos \vartheta) > 1.36 \text{ GeV}^2|_{GigaZ}, \ 42.2 \text{ GeV}^2|_{ILC500}$$

Conclude:

- **t -channel exchange of γ dominates everything else**
- $m_e^2/s < m_e^2/T \leq 10^{-5} \dots 10^{-7}$
- **Calculate: 1-loop EWRC + 2-loop QED + corresp. bremsstrahlung**

The Feynman diagrams (See also webpage)

**Assume 3 leptonic flavors (in fact we have 9 flavors, and color for the quarks)
do not look at loops in external legs.**

Not too many QED virtual corrections:

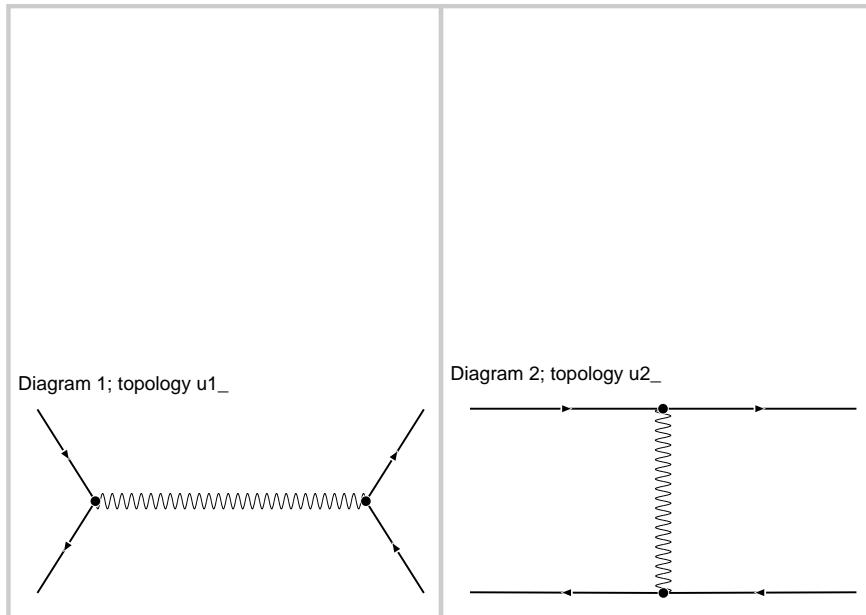
- Born diagrams: 2
 - 1-loop diagrams: 14 interfere with Born and 1-loop
 - 2-loop diagrams: 154 (with 68 double-boxes) interfere with Born only

Most important: Real photonic corrections:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma = & |\text{Born} + \text{1-loop} + \text{2-loop}|^2 \\ & + |(\text{Born} + \mathbf{1-\gamma}) + (\text{1-loop} + \mathbf{1-\gamma})|^2 \\ & + |(\text{Born} + \mathbf{2-\gamma})|^2\end{aligned}$$

- Do not include: $|2\text{-loop}|^2$ and $|(1\text{-loop} + 1\text{-}\gamma)|^2$
 - New, besides the 2-loops: The **1-loop 5-point** functions

The QED Born diagrams



[†], Proc. Roy. Soc., A, vol. 126, p. 259 (1930).

It has been shown by Motte that exchange effects play a considerable part in the collision and consequent scattering of one electron by another. Motz's original calculation was non-relativistic, and there the exchange effect vanishes when the two electrons have their spins pointing in opposite directions. Motte[†] later developed relativistically invariant expressions directly from Moller's general formula for the collision cross-section that, in the collision of two identical particles, the effect of exchange does not in general vanish even when the two colliding particles initially have their spins pointing in opposite directions. It tends however to zero in this case as the relative velocity of the particles becomes small compared to c , the velocity of light, in agreement with the calculation of Motz.

The effect of exchange in the general relativistic case will still be con- siderable if one of the two electrons be initially (and therefore finally) in a state of negative energy. (If one of the electrons be initially in a negative energy state, then it follows from the conservation of energy

(Communicated by R. H. Fowler, F.R.S.—Received October 20, 1935)

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The Scattering of Positrons by Electrons with Exchange on Dirac's Theory of the Positron

molecules have orientations similar to the dipenzyl orientation, and the other two can approximately be derived from them by a rotation of 180° about the *a* axis, and a translation of $\frac{1}{2}c$. The resulting structure explains the pseudoo-orthorhombic properties, the approximate halving, and the partial *X*-ray intensities. It is contrary to a structure previously deduced from magnetic measurements by Krishnam, Guha, and Banerjee, who predicted a twisted and distorted molecule; but it is shown that the new structure is equally capable of explaining the magnetic data. Detailed measurements have not yet been made on tolane and azobenzene, but the preliminary data are sufficient to show that they are both closely similar to the stilbene structure.

Table 2:

The differential Bhabha cross section in nbarn as function of the scattering angle and the cms-energy.

$M_Z = 91.16 \text{ GeV}$, $m_t = 150 \text{ GeV}$, $M_H = 100 \text{ GeV}$.

Upper rows: DZ , lower rows: H .

δ_m : largest relative deviation in per mille.

\sqrt{s} (GeV)	60	89	91.16	93	200
θ					
15°	129.6 129.6	65.11 65.11	57.93 57.93	49.00 49.00	11.82 11.82
45°	1.451 1.451	1.376 1.377	1.755 1.756	.4833 .4837	11.67 11.68
60°	.4303 .4305	.6124 .6129	1.125 1.126	.2697 .2699	.03075 .03077
75°	.1717 .1718	.3627 .3630	.8718 .8720	.2232 .2233	.01072 .01072
90°	.08873 .08876	.2768 .2769	.7790 .7787	.2088 .2087	.004862 .004855
105°	.05917 .05918	.2690 .2690	.8082 .8074	.2157 .2157	.002858 .002853
120°	.04906 .04906	.3053 .3051	.9323 .9309	.2429 .2426	.002077 .002074
135°	.04671 .04672	.3626 .3624	1.111 1.109	.2838 .2833	.001743 .001742
165°	.04839 .04839	.4638 .4635	1.425 1.422	.3590 .3584	.001539 .001540
δ_m	0.6	0.8	1.8	2.0	1.7

large angle Bhabha scattering

Bardin,Hollik,T.R., Z.PhysikC49(1991)485

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta} = \frac{\pi \alpha^2}{2s} \beta Q_e^4 (\sigma_s + \sigma_{st} + \sigma_t),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_s &= 1 + \left(1 + 2\frac{t}{s}\right)^2 - 16\frac{m^2}{s} \frac{t - m^2}{s} + (d - 4) \\
 &\approx 1 + \cos \theta^2, \\
 \sigma_{st} &= 8 - 16\frac{m^2}{s} \frac{m^2}{t} + [4 + 2(d - 4)] \left(\frac{s}{t} + \frac{t}{s}\right) - 4(d - 4)m^2 \frac{s + t}{st} + 2(d - 4) - (d - 4)^2 \\
 &= 4 \left[(-u + 4m^2) \left(\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{t}\right) - 4\frac{m^2}{s} \frac{m^2}{t} \right] + O(d - 4) \\
 &\approx -2 \frac{(1 + \cos \theta)^2}{(1 - \cos \theta)}, \\
 \sigma_t &= 1 + \left(1 + 2\frac{s}{t}\right)^2 - 16\frac{m^2}{t} \frac{s - m^2}{t} + (d - 4) \\
 &\approx 2 \frac{(1 + \cos \theta)^2 + 4}{(1 - \cos \theta)^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Results: Numerical comparison in all $f\bar{f}$

Bhabha $e^- e^+ \rightarrow e^- e^+ (\gamma)$ at LC: $\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$, $E_{\max}(\gamma_{\text{soft}}) = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{10}$

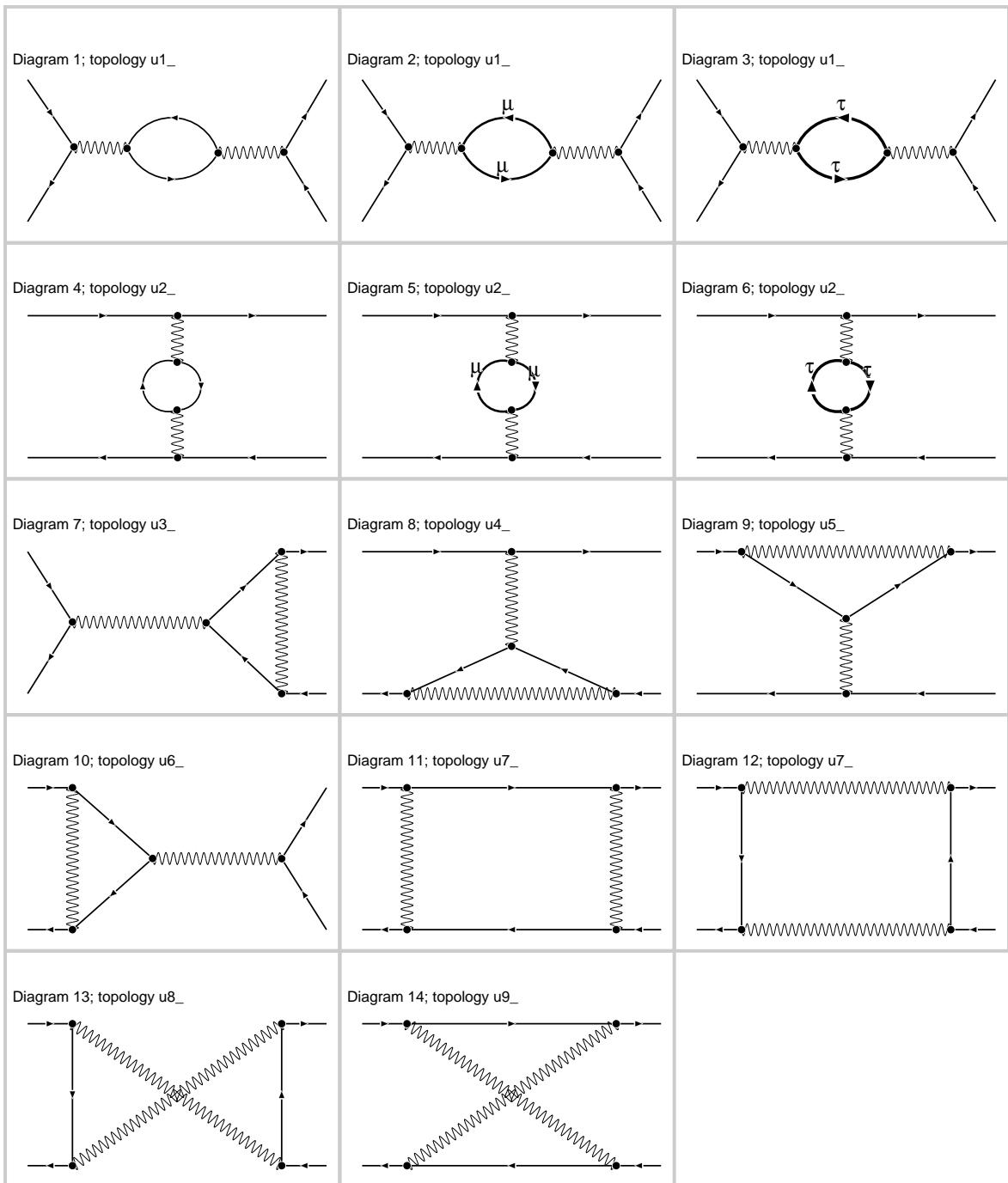
$\cos \theta$	$[\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos \theta}]_{\text{Born}}$ (pb)	$[\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos \theta}]_{O(\alpha^3)=\text{Born+QED+weak+soft}}$	Group
-0.9999	0.21482 70434 05632 5	0.14889 12125 78083 7	$a^{\circ}\text{TALC}$ <i>FeynArts</i>
-0.9999	0.21482 70434 05632 6	0.14889 12189 28404 0	$a^{\circ}\text{TALC}$ <i>FeynArts</i>
-0.9	0.21699 88288 10920 5	0.19344 50785 26863 6	$a^{\circ}\text{TALC}$ <i>FeynArts</i>
-0.9	0.21699 88288 10920 0	0.19344 50785 26862 2	$m_e = 0$
-0.9	0.21699 88288 41513 1	0.19344 50785 62637 9	$m_e = 0$
+0.0	0.59814 23072 50330 3	0.54667 71794 69423 1	$a^{\circ}\text{TALC}$ <i>FeynArts</i>
+0.0	0.59814 23072 50329 4	0.54667 71794 69421 8	$m_e = 0$
+0.0	0.59814 23072 88584 4	0.54667 71794 99961 4	$m_e = 0$
+0.9	0.18916 03223 32270 6 · 10 ³	0.17292 83490 66507 2 · 10 ³	$a^{\circ}\text{TALC}$ <i>FeynArts</i>
+0.9	0.18916 03223 32270 6 · 10 ³	0.17292 83490 66508 0 · 10 ³	$m_e = 0$
+0.9	0.18916 03223 31848 5 · 10 ³	0.17292 83490 61347 4 · 10 ³	$m_e = 0$
+0.9999	0.20842 90676 46142 9 · 10 ⁹	0.19140 17861 11341 6 · 10 ⁹	$a^{\circ}\text{TALC}$ <i>FeynArts</i>
+0.9999	0.20842 90676 46436 4 · 10 ⁹	0.19140 17861 11979 0 · 10 ⁹	$m_e = 0$

Great independent agreement up to **14 digits!**: **limit in double precision**

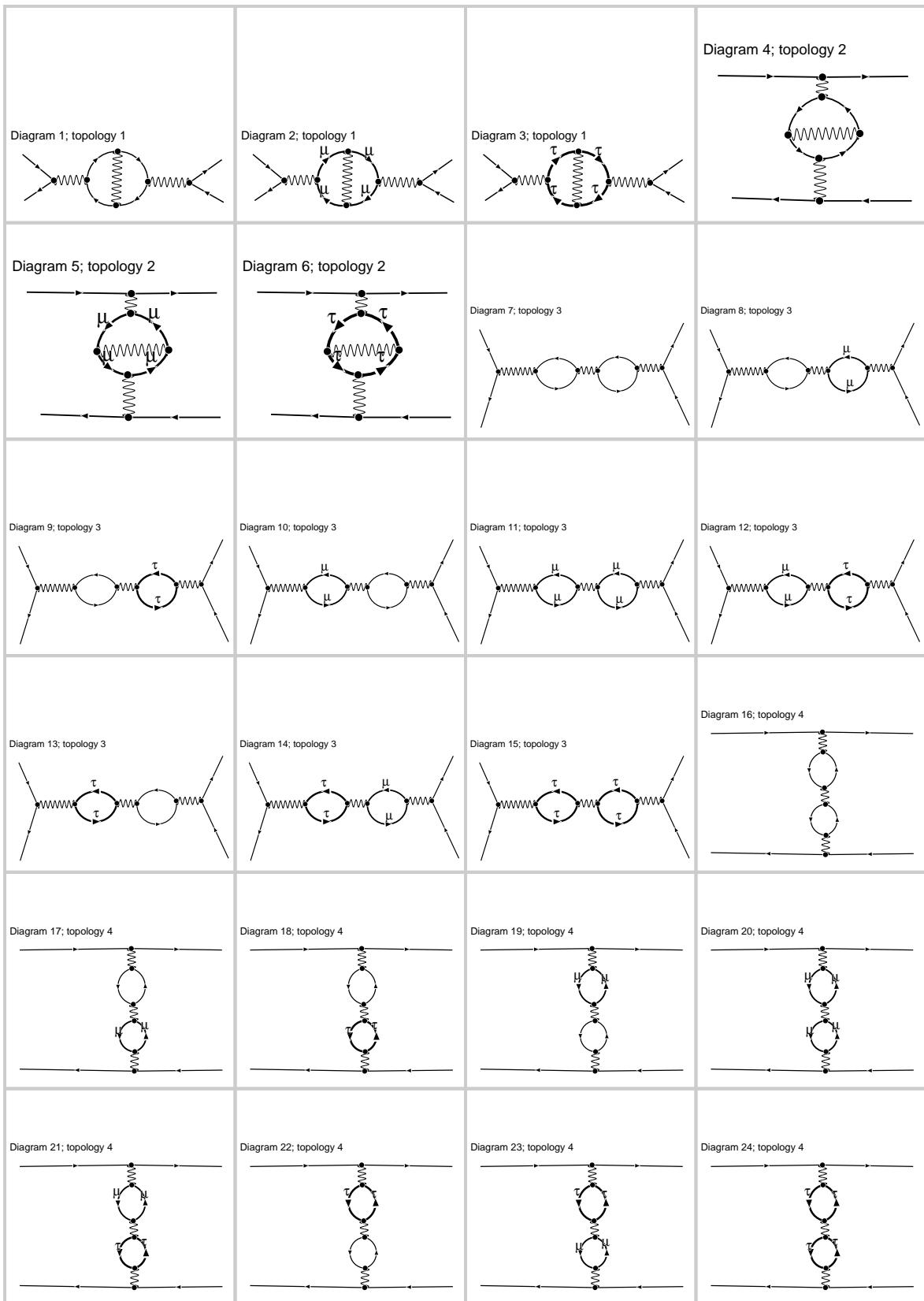
Previous agreement with *FeynArts*: 11 digits [hep-ph/0307132](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0307132), *SANC*: 10 digits [hep-ph/0207156](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0207156)

Thanks to **T. Hahn**, numbers supplied with *FeynArts* + *FormCalc* + *LoopTools*

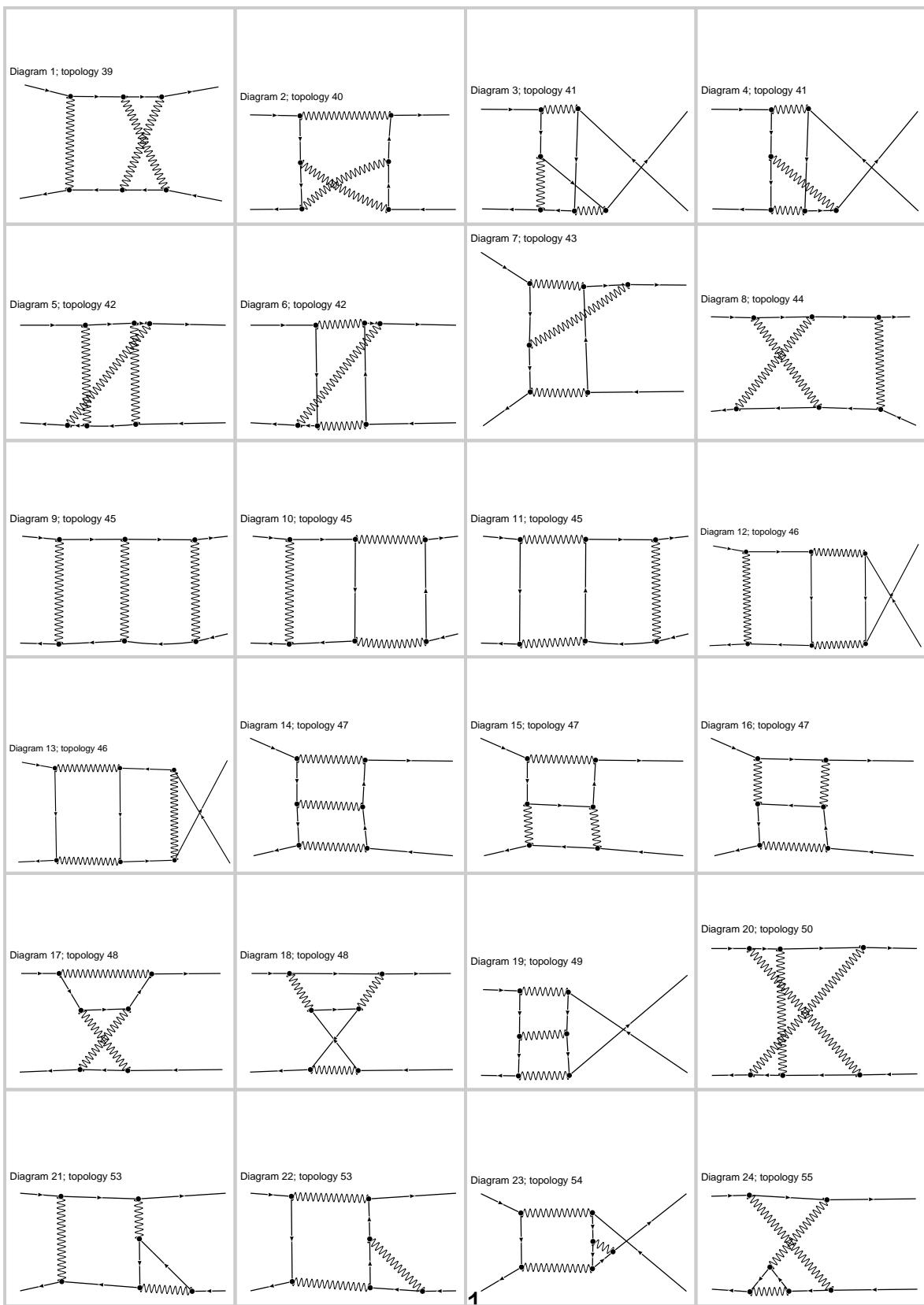
The QED one-loop diagrams: **Need them until $O(D - 4)$** , not only the usual 1-loop functions



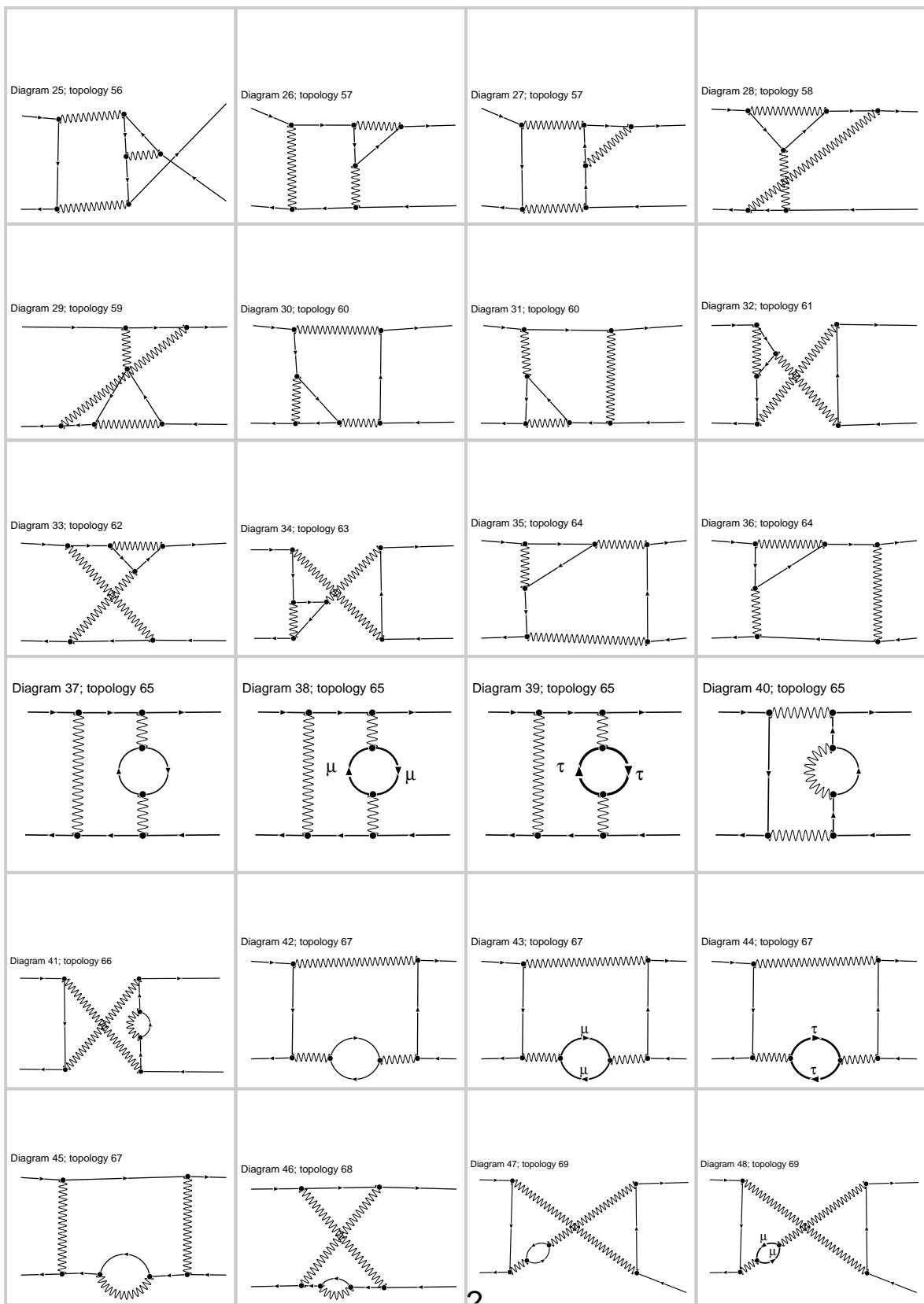
Some of the reducible two-loop diagrams



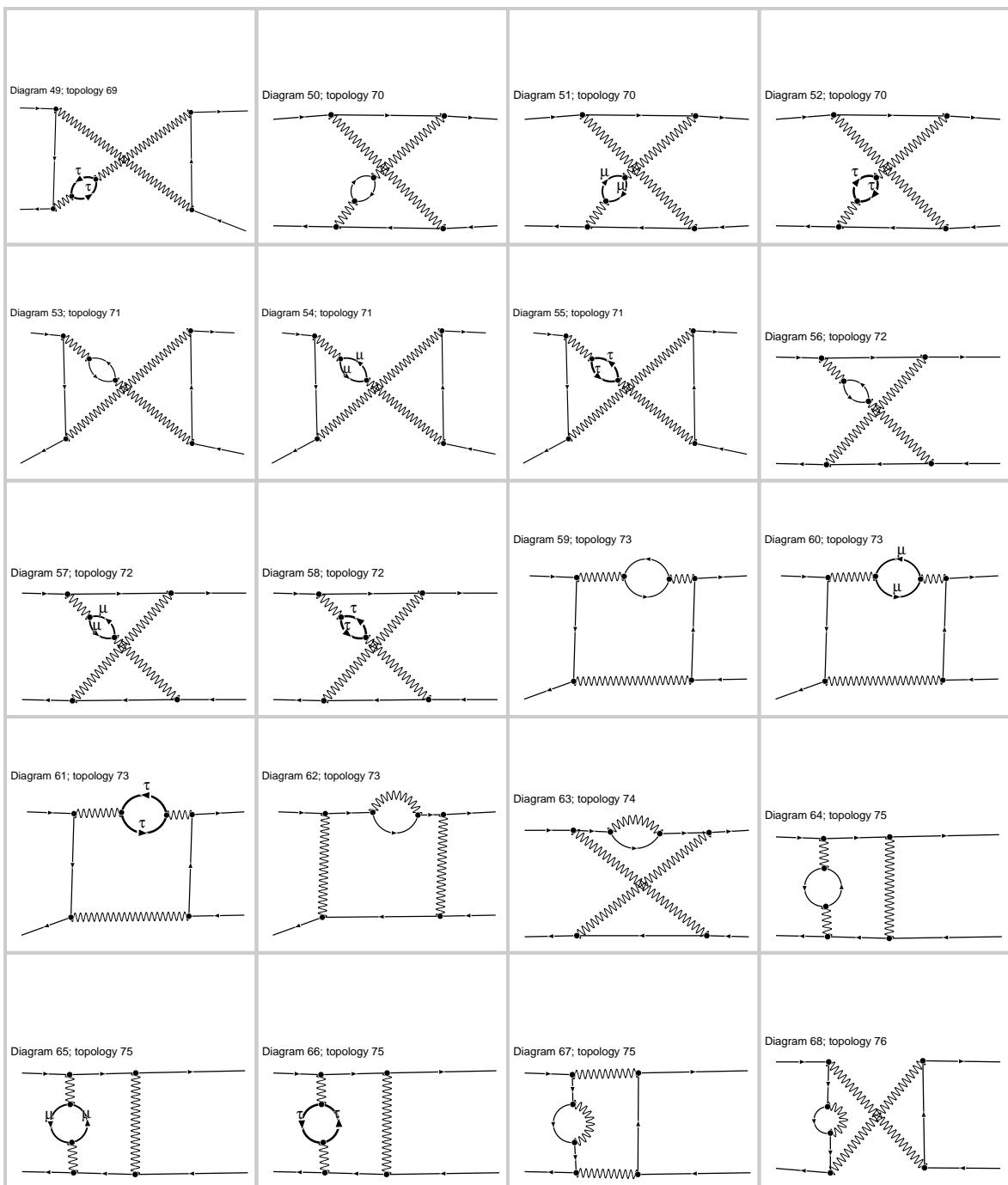
Irreducible two-loop diagrams: 1/3



Irreducible two-loop diagrams: 2/3



Irreducible two-loop diagrams: 3/3



Status by end of 2004

Established: 10^{-3} MC programs for LEP, ILC

Introduction to **NLLBHA** by Trentadue and to **BHLUMI** by Jadach in:

Proc. of Loops and Legs, Rheinsberg, Germany, 1996

Recent mini-review: Jadach, "Theoretical error of luminosity cross section at LEP",
hep-ph/0306083 [1]

- **BHLUMI v.4.04:** Jadach, Placzek, Richter-Was, Was: CPC 1997
- see also: Jadach, Melles, Ward, Yost: PLB 1996, thesis Melles 1996 [2]
- **NLLBHA:** Arbuzov, Fadin, Kuraev, Lipatov, Merenkov, Trentadue: NPB 1997,
CERN 96-01
- **SAMBHA:** Arbuzov, Haidt, Matteuzzi, Paganoni, Trentadue: hep-ph/0402211

See e.g.: Table 1 of [1] and Figure 3.1 of [2] → Conclude:

The nonlogarithmic $O(\alpha^2)$ terms, originating from pure QED radiative 1-loop and from
2-loop diagrams are not completely covered.

They have to be calculated and integrated into the MC programs.

Beware:

$$m_e, m_\gamma, (d - 4), E_\gamma$$

Status 2005

Know the constant term ($m_e = 0$) from 2-loop Bhabha scattering

A. Penin, [Two-Loop Corrections to Bhabha Scattering](#), hep-ph/0501120 v.3, → PRL

Transform the [massless 2-loop results](#) of Bern, Dixon, Ghinculov (2002) with InfraRed (IR) regulation by $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$ into the [on-mass-shell renormalization](#) with $m_e \rightarrow 0$ and IR regulation by $\lambda = m_\gamma \neq 0$

Use [IR-properties of amplitudes](#) (see Penin):

[A] [Exponentiation of the IR logarithms](#) (Sudakov 1956,...)

[B] [Factorization of the collinear logarithms into external legs](#) (Frenkel, Taylor 1976)

[C] [Non-renormalization of the IR exponents](#) (YFS 1961,)

Isolate the closed fermion loop contribution (does not fulfil [C]) and add it separately (Burgers 1985, Bonciani et al. 2005, Penin)

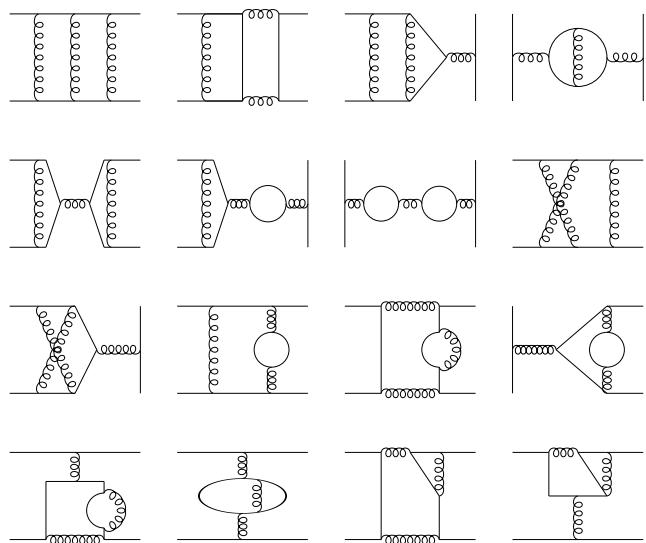
If all this is correct, the constant term in m_e is known for the MCs (but the radiative one-loops with 5-point functions).

$$m = 0$$

Two Loop Bhabha Scattering

To calculate Bhabha scattering it is best to first compute $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$, since it's closely related but has less diagrams.

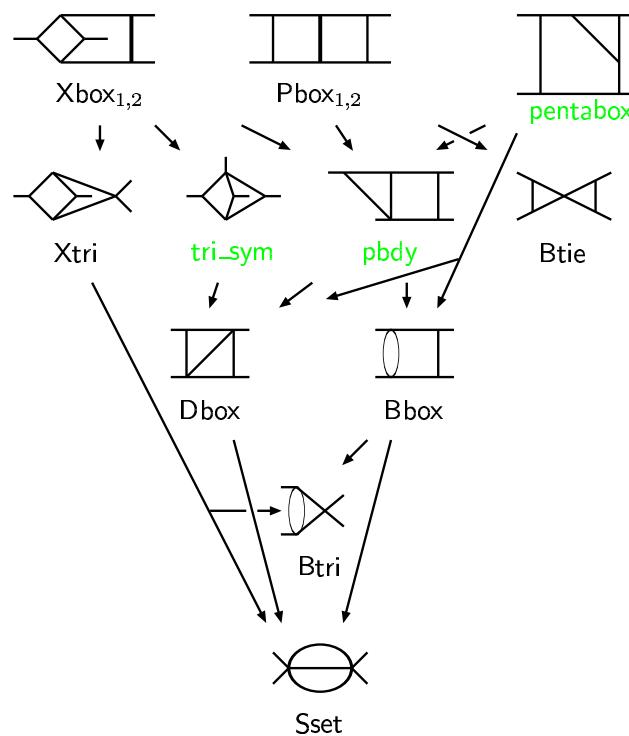
There are 47 QED diagrams contributing to $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$.



In this calculation all particles massless.

The Bhabha scattering amplitude can be obtained from $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ simply by summing it with the crossed amplitude (including fermi minus sign).

Two-loop integral inheritance chart



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The massive 2-loop contributions

We are interested in a calculation of the virtual second order corrections to

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \vartheta} (e^+ e^- \rightarrow e^+ e^-)$$

We are using a scheme with

- (1) $m_e \neq 0$ (good with the MC's)
- (2) $m_\gamma = 0$ (bad with the MC's; → Mastrolia, Remiddi 2003)
- (3) dim.reg. for UV and IR divergences

Also:

Argeri, Bonciani, Ferroglia, Mastrolia, Remiddi, v.d.Bij: all but many 2-boxes
Heinrich, Smirnov: Calculation of selected complicated Feynman integrals

There are few topologies only:

- 1-loop: 5
 - 2-loop self energies: 5 (3 for external legs)
 - 2-loop vertices: 5
 - 2-loop boxes: 6 → next slide

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The many Feynman integrals may be reduced to 'few' master integrals by sophisticated methods ([Remiddi-Laporta algorithm, 1996/2000](#) → [IdSolver \(Czakon 2003\)](#)).

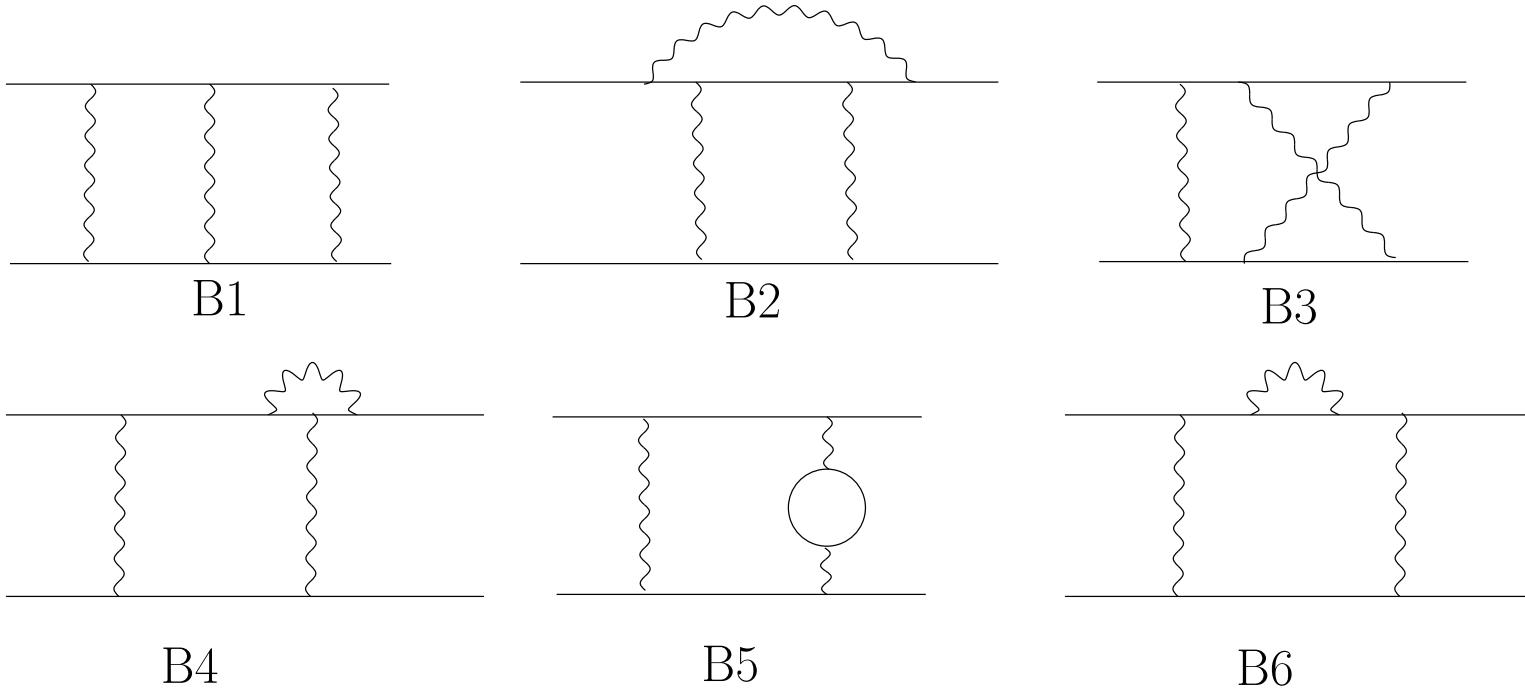
The massive diagrams (See also webpage)

Assume 3 leptonic flavors, do not look at loops in external legs.

Not too many QED diagrams:

- Born diagrams: 2
 - 1-loop diagrams: 14
 - 2-loop diagrams: 154 (with 68 double-boxes) interfere with Born

The two-loop box diagrams for massive Bhabha scattering



- **B5:** Completely known (2004)
Bonciani, Ferroglio, Mastrolia, Remiddi, van der Bij: hep-ph/0405275, hep-ph/0411321
Czakon, Gluza, Riemann: <http://www-zeuthen.desy.de/.../MastersBhabha.m> (unpubl.)
- **B1–B3:** Few masters known (Smirnov, Heinrich 2002,2004)
- **B4, B6:** Not much known (Czakon et al. 2004)

The basic planar 2-box master of B1, B7l4m, was a breakthrough

The two-loop Feynman integrals

One has to solve many, very complicated Feynman integrals with $L = 2$ loops and $N \leq 7$ internal lines:

$$G(\textcolor{red}{X}) = \frac{1}{(i\pi^{d/2})^2} \int \frac{d^D k_1 d^D k_2 \textcolor{red}{X}}{(q_1^2 - m_1^2)^{\nu_1} \dots (q_j^2 - m_j^2)^{\nu_j} \dots (q_N^2 - m_N^2)^{\nu_N}},$$

$$\textcolor{red}{X} = 1, (k_1 P), (k_1 k_2), (k_2 P), \dots$$

where P is some external momentum: $p_1,..p_4$

A completely numerical approach might be possible Passarino 2004.

For checks in the Euclidean region ($s < 0, t < 0$) this has been proven to be a powerful tool
Binoth, Heinrich 2000/03

We prefer to calculate the integrals analytically (where possible)

Derive a minimal set of so-called master integrals and algebraic expressions in terms of them for all the other Feynman integrals

So we need a A table of master integrals

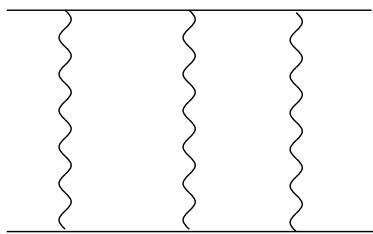
We use **IdSolver** with the Laporta/Remiddi algorithm:

Derive with integration-by-parts (and Lorentz-invariance) identities a system of *algebraic equations for the Feynman integrals* and solve the system.

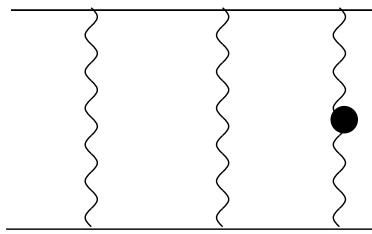
- 1-loop: 5 masters (all known)
- 2-loop self energies: 6 masters (all known)
- 2-loop vertices: 19 masters (all known)
- 2-loop boxes: 33 masters → (0(5) published, maybe more known) see table

The calculation of the master integrals is mainly done with two methods:

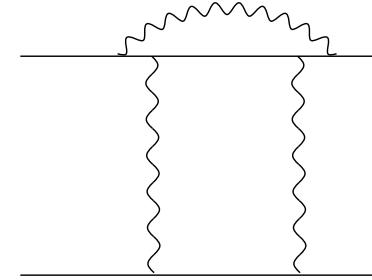
- derive and solve (systems of) differential equations (with boundary conditions)
- derive and solve (up to 8-dimensional) Mellin-Barnes integral representations for single Feynman integrals



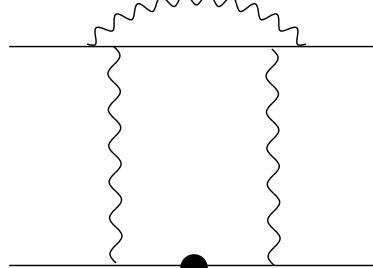
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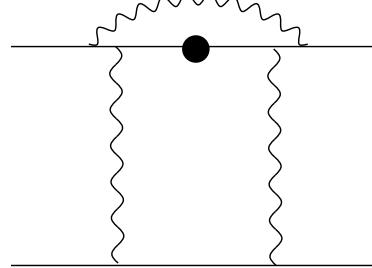
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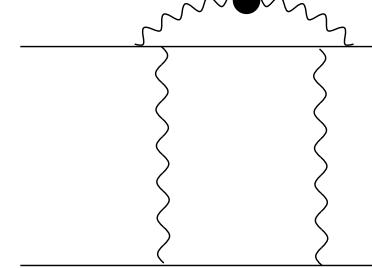
B7l4m2



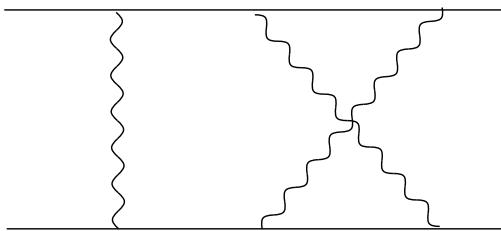
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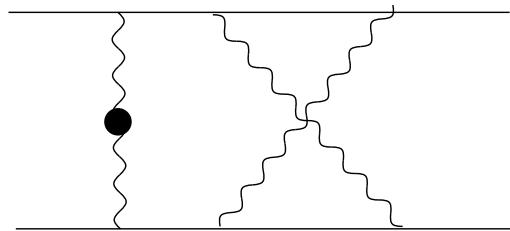
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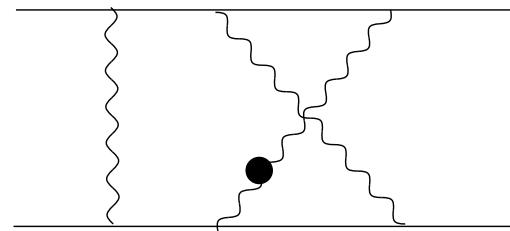
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B7l4lm3d1



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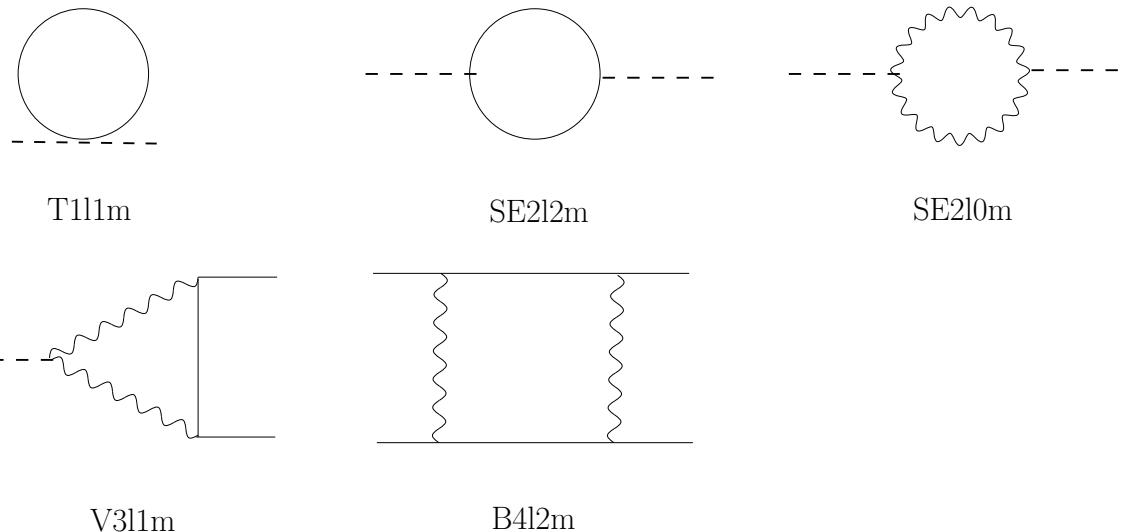
The nine two-loop box MIs with seven internal lines.

From Czakon et al., PRD 71 (2004): 4-point MIs entering basic two-loop box diagrams. An asterisk denotes one-loop MI. MIs with a dagger: know singular parts only

MI	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	ref.
B714m1	+	-	-	-	-	-	Smirnov:2001cm
B714m1N	+	-	-	-	-	-	Heinrich:2004iq
B714m2	-	+	-	-	-	-	Heinrich:2004iq [†]
B714m2[d1--d3]	-	+	-	-	-	-	
B714m3	-	-	+	-	-	-	Heinrich:2004iq [†]
B714m3[d1--d2]	-	-	+	-	-	-	
B613m1	+	-	+	-	-	-	
B613m1d	+	-	+	-	-	-	
B613m2	-	+	-	+	-	-	
B613m2d	-	+	-	+	-	-	
B613m3	-	-	+	-	-	-	
B613m3[d1--d5]	-	-	+	-	-	-	
B512m1	+	-	+	-	-	-	Czakon:2004tg
B512m2	-	+	-	+	-	+	Sec. IIIE1 [†]
B512m2[d1--d2]	-	+	-	+	-	+	Sec. IIIE1 [†]
B512m3	+	-	+	-	-	-	
B512m3[d1--d3]	+	-	+	-	-	-	Sec. IIIE1 [†]
B513m	-	+	+	+	-	-	
B513m[d1--d3]	-	+	+	+	-	-	
B514m	-	+	+	+	+	-	Bonciani:2003cj
B514md	-	+	+	+	+	-	Sec. IIIE
B412m*	-	-	-	+	+	+	'tHooft:1972fi, Bonciani:2003cj
total = 33+1*	9	15	22	11+1*	2+1*	3+1*	

The simplest diagram is the **tadpole**:

$$\begin{aligned} T1l1m &= \frac{e^{\epsilon\gamma_E}}{i\pi^{D/2}} \int \frac{d^D q}{q^2 - 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} + 1 + \left(1 + \frac{\zeta_2}{2}\right)\epsilon + \left(1 + \frac{\zeta_2}{2} - \frac{\zeta_3}{3}\right)\epsilon^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$



The QED vertex is no master:

$$V3l2m(s) = \frac{(D-2)T1l1m - 2(D-3)SE2l2m(s)}{16 - 4D + (D-4)s}$$

The UV-divergencies cancel, the IR divergency comes from the denominator.

How to calculate 2-loop Bhabha masters?

- Self-energies and vertices and (very few) 2-boxes:
use differential equations and Harmonic Polylogarithms, introduced by Remiddi, Vermaseren, plus . . .)
- Some 7-line 2-boxes
use Mellin-Barnes technique, sum up multiple series, use numerical checks in Euclidean space (s, t negative)
- For the unsolved 2-boxes:
Combination of both methods: present study

There are other methods not used here:

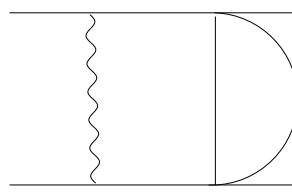
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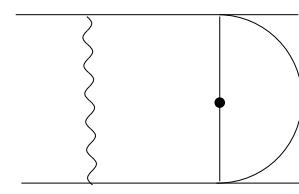
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The 2-boxes with 5 lines

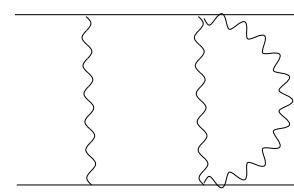
The completely known 2-boxes with 5 lines are **B5l4m** (Bonciani et al., Czakon et al. 2004), **B5l2m1** (Czakon et al. 2004) :



B5l4m1

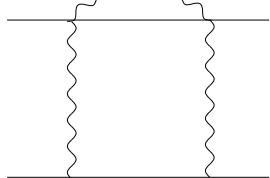


B5l4m1d1

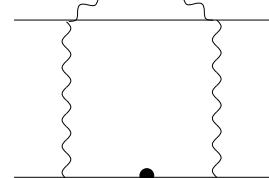


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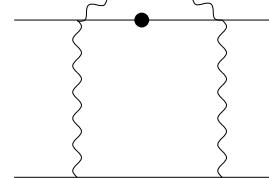
The divergent parts of the **B5l2m2** and **B5l2m3** type are known (Czakon et al. 2004):



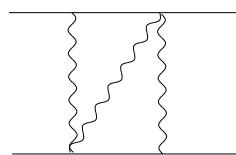
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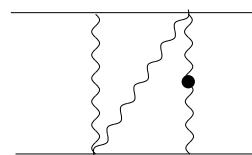
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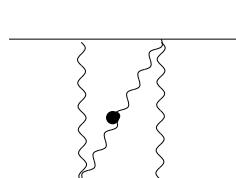
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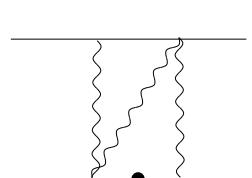
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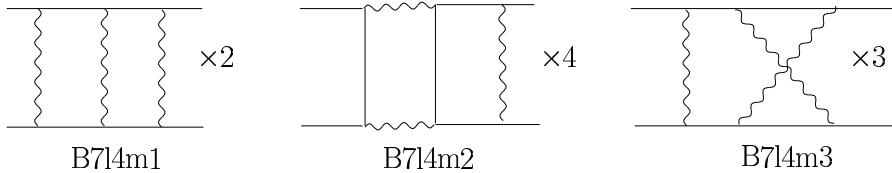


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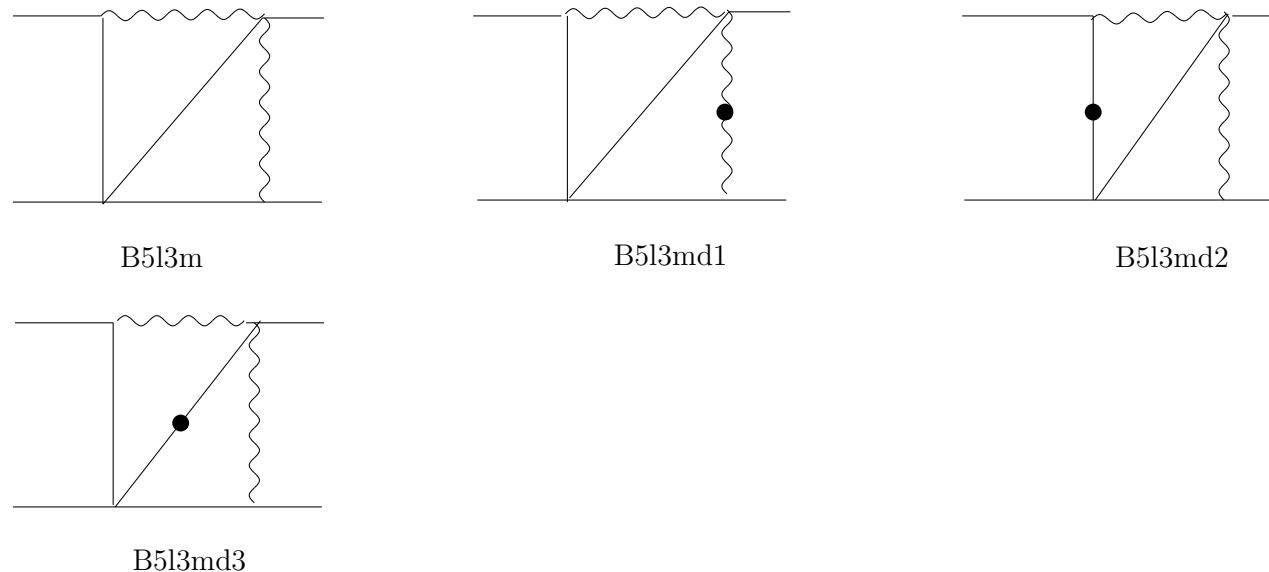


B5l2m3d3

B5l3m: The divergences in $D - 4 = -2\epsilon$



The B5l3m boxes, contribute to B2 (2nd planar 2-box) (shrink two lines...)



The B5l3md2 topology appears twice as a master
but the B5l3md1 does not!

The B5l3m topology: Gross features

$$MB5l3m[x, y] = \text{Sum}[B5l3m[k, x, y] * ep^k, k, 0, 1]; \quad (1)$$

$$MB5l3md1[x, y] = \text{Sum}[B5l3md1[k, x, y] * ep^k, k, -2, 1]; \quad (2)$$

$$MB5l3md2[x, y] = \text{Sum}[B5l3md2[k, x, y] * ep^k, k, -2, 1]; \quad (3)$$

$$MB5l3md2a[x, y] = \text{Sum}[B5l3md2a[k, x, y] * ep^k, k, -2, 1]; \quad (4)$$

$$MB5l3md3[x, y] = \text{Sum}[B5l3md3[k, x, y] * ep^k, k, -1, 1]; \quad (5)$$

Note:

- B5l3m – the basic master is finite
- B5l3md2 – use 4-dim. MB-Representation
- B5l3md2' – the same, but ($s \leftrightarrow t$)
- B5l3md1, B5l3md3 – system of 2 coupled differential eqns

Only BLB5l3md1 has $1/\epsilon^2$ (so decouples), and last step is the two $1/\epsilon$ coefficients of B5l3md1 and B5l3md3.

The first one is found by algebraic manipulations (see Czakon et al. LCWS Paris 2004), the second then fulfils a diff.eqn

Differential equations

$$\frac{\partial \text{B5l3md3}[-1]}{\partial x} = \frac{1+x^2}{x(1-x^2)} \text{B5l3md3}[-1] - \frac{yH[0,y]}{(1-x^2)(1-y^2)} \quad (6)$$

with $s = -(1-x)^2/x$, $t = -(1-y)^2/y$

Solution:

$$\text{B5l3md3}[-1] = -\frac{xy}{(-1+x^2)(-1+y^2)} H[0,x]H[0,y] \quad (7)$$

with

$$H[0,x] = \ln(x) \quad (8)$$

The coefficients in the equation are of the form

$$\frac{A_1}{x-B_1} + \frac{A_2}{x-B_2} + \dots \quad (9)$$

One may derive (systems of) differential equations for the masters, with inhomogeneity composed of simpler masters (Kotikov, Laporta, Remiddi)

$$\frac{\partial \textcolor{blue}{M}_n}{\partial x} = A(x, y) \textcolor{blue}{M}_n + I(x, y) \quad (10)$$

$$I(x, y) = \sum_{k=0, n-1} c_k \textcolor{blue}{M}_k \quad (11)$$

Expand in ϵ ($D = 4 - 2\epsilon$):

$$\textcolor{blue}{M}_n = \sum_{i=-2, i_m} \textcolor{blue}{M}_{n,i} \epsilon^i \quad \text{etc.} \quad (12)$$

General solution for homogeneous eqn. ($M'_h = A M_h$):

$$M'_h/M_h = A \quad (13)$$

$$\int (M'_h/M_h) = \ln M_h = \int A \quad (14)$$

$$= \int \sum \frac{a_i}{x - x_i} \sim \ln(x - x_i) \quad (15)$$

so:

$$M_h \sim \text{Polynomials} \quad (16)$$

Then the inhomogeneous solution is:

$$M(x, y) = M_h(x, y) \left(\text{const}(y) + \int \frac{I(x', y)}{M_h(x', y)} \right) \quad (17)$$

Result:

nested integrals over 'simple' iterated integrands

The method leads to the HPLs $H(\{a\}, x)$ and GPLs $G(\{a(y)\}, x)$

Harmonic Polylogarithms $H(x)$

$$H[-1, 1, x] = \int_0^x \frac{dx''}{(1+x'')} \int_0^{x''} \frac{dx'}{(1-x')} \quad (18)$$

$$= Li_2\left(\frac{1+x}{2}\right) + \dots \quad (19)$$

Generalized Harmonic Polylogarithms $G(x, y) \dots$

but it works only if the polynomial structure is simple enough for a solution with this class of functions

Method is absolutely 'super' if it works.

But:

one needs complete chains of masters of lower complexity, and there are systems of up to 6 (!)
potentially coupled 1st order equations

Mellin-Barnes representations

Boos, Davydychev 1991, Smirnov 1999, Tausk 1999, Smirnov book 2004

$$\frac{1}{(A+B)^\nu} = \frac{B^{-\nu}}{(1-(-A/B))^{-\nu}} = \frac{B^{-\nu}}{2\pi i \Gamma(\nu)} \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} d\sigma A^\sigma B^{-\sigma} \Gamma(-\sigma) \Gamma(\nu + \sigma) \quad (20)$$

Is special case of a well-known Mellin-Barnes integral for hypergeometric functions

$$\frac{1}{(1-z)^\nu} = {}_2F_1(\nu, b, b', z)|_{b=b'} \quad (21)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i \Gamma(\nu)} \frac{\Gamma(b')}{\Gamma(b)} \int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} d\sigma (-z)^\sigma \Gamma(\nu + \sigma) \Gamma(-\sigma) \frac{\Gamma(b + \sigma)}{\Gamma(b' + \sigma)} \quad (22)$$

with $-z = A/B$.

How can this be made useful here?

Introduce Feynman parameters

The momentum integrals of a Feynman diagram may be performed with Feynman parameters, one for each line.

In 2-loops, consider two subsequent sub-loops (the first: off-shell 1-loop, second on-shell 1-loop) and get e.g. for B7I4m2, the planar 2nd type 2-box:

allow for propagators with indices, $1/(k_1^2 - m_1^2)^{a_1}$ etc.

$$K_{\text{1-loop Box, off}} = \frac{(-1)^{a_{4567}} \Gamma(a_{4567} - d/2)}{\Gamma(a_4)\Gamma(a_5)\Gamma(a_6)\Gamma(a_7)} \int_0^\infty \prod_{j=4}^7 dx_j x_j^{a_j-1} \frac{\delta(1 - x_4 - x_5 - x_6 - x_7)}{F^{a_{4567}-d/2}} \quad (23)$$

where $a_{4567} = a_4 + a_5 + a_6 + a_7$ and the function F is characteristic of the diagram; here for the off-shell 1-box (2nd type):

$$F = [-t]x_4x_7 + [-s]x_5x_6 + m^2(x_5 + x_6)^2 \quad (24)$$

$$+ (m^2 - Q_1^2)x_7(x_4 + 2x_5 + x_6) + (m^2 - Q_2^2)x_7x_5 \quad (25)$$

We want to apply now:

$$\int_0^1 \prod_i^4 dx_i x_i^{\alpha_i-1} \delta(1 - x_1 - x_2 - x_3 - x_4) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1)\Gamma(\alpha_2)\Gamma(\alpha_3)\Gamma(\alpha_4)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4)} \quad (26)$$

with coefficients α_i dependent on a_i and on F

For this, we have to apply several MB-integrals here.

And repeat the procedure for the 2nd subloop.

For the 2nd planar 2-box, B7l4m2, one gets (Smirnov book 4.73):

$$B_{\text{pl},2} = \frac{\text{const}}{(2\pi i)^6} \int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} \left[\frac{m^2}{-s} \right]^{z_5+z_6} \left[\frac{-t}{-s} \right]^{z_1} \prod_{j=1}^6 [dz_j \Gamma(-z_j)] \frac{\prod_{k=7}^{18} \Gamma_k(\{z_i\})}{\prod_{l=19}^{24} \Gamma_l(\{z_i\})} \quad (27)$$

with $a = a_1 + \dots + a_7$ and

$$z_i = \text{const} + i \Im m(z_i) \quad (28)$$

$$d = 4 - 2\epsilon \quad (29)$$

$$\text{const} = \frac{(i\pi^{d/2})^2 (-1)^a (-s)^{d-a}}{\Gamma(a_2)\Gamma(a_4)\Gamma(a_5)\Gamma(a_6)\Gamma(a_7)\Gamma(d-a_{4567})} \quad (30)$$

The integrand includes e.g.:

$$\Gamma_2 = \Gamma(-z_2) \quad (31)$$

$$\Gamma_4 = \Gamma(-z_4) \quad (32)$$

$$\Gamma_7 = \Gamma(a_4 + z_2 + z_4) \quad (33)$$

$$\Gamma_8 = \Gamma(D - a_{445667} - z_2 - z_3 - 2z_4) \quad (34)$$

$$\dots \quad (35)$$

We now derive from B7I4m2 the MB-integral for B5I3m by setting $a_1 = 0$ (trivial, gives B6I3m2) and $a_4 = 0$.

The latter do with care because of

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma(a_4)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\Gamma(0)} = 0 \quad (36)$$

See by inspection that we will get factor $\Gamma(a_4)$ if $z_2, z_4 \rightarrow 0$.

→ Start with the z_2, z_4 integrations by
taking the residues for closing the integration contours to the right:

$$I_{2,4} = \frac{(-1)^2}{(2\pi i)^2} \int dz_2 \Gamma(-z_2) \int dz_4 \frac{\Gamma(a_4 + z_2 + z_4)}{\Gamma(a_4)} \Gamma(-z_4) R(z_i) \quad (37)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi i)} \int dz_2 \Gamma(-z_2) \sum_{n=0,1,\dots} \frac{-(-1)^n}{n!} \frac{\Gamma(a_4 + z_2 + n)}{\Gamma(a_4)} R(z_i) \quad (38)$$

$$= \sum_{n,m=0,1,\dots} \frac{(-1)^{n+m}}{n!m!} \frac{\Gamma(a_4 + n + m)}{\Gamma(a_4)} R(z_i) \xrightarrow{a=0} 1 \quad (39)$$

So, setting $a_1 = a_4 = 0$ and eliminating $\int dz_2 dz_4$ with setting $z_2 = z_4 = 0$

we got a 4-fold Mellin-Barnes integral for B5I3m

with $24 - 3 = 21$ z_i -dependent Γ -functions which may yield residua within four-fold sums.

As mentioned:

This formula has to be calculated now explicitly for the case

$$\text{B5l3md2} = \frac{B_2}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{B_1}{\epsilon} + B_0 \quad (40)$$

(**B5l3md2** is a dotted master, with index $a_2 = 2$, all others are one)

Next tasks:

- Find a **region of definiteness** of the n-fold MB-integral

$$\Re(z_1) = -1/80, \Re(z_3) = -33/40, \Re(z_5) = -21/20, \Re(z_6) = -59/160, \Re(\epsilon) = -1/10! \quad (41)$$

- Then go to the physical region where $\epsilon \ll 1$ by distorting the integration path step by step (adding each crossed residuum – **per residue this means one integral less!!!**)
- Take integrals by sums over residua, i.e. introduce infinite sums
- Sum these infinite multiple series into some known functions of a given class, e.g. Nielsen polylogs, Harmonic polylogs or whatever is appropriate.

Here this means:

$$\text{B5l3md2} \rightarrow MB(4\text{-dim,fin}) + MB_3(3\text{-dim,fin}) \quad (42)$$

$$+ MB_{36}(2\text{-dim}, \epsilon^{-1}, fin) + MB_{365}(1\text{-dim}, \epsilon^{-2}, \epsilon^{-1,fin}) \quad (43)$$

$$+ MB_5(3\text{-dim,fin}) \quad (44)$$

After these preparations e.g.:

$$MB_{365}(1\text{-dim}, \epsilon^{-2}) \sim \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \int dz_6 \frac{(-s)^{(z_6-1)} \Gamma(-z_6)^3 \Gamma(1+z_6)}{8 \Gamma(-2z_6)} \quad (45)$$

$$\sim \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \sum_{n=0,\infty} -\frac{(-1)^n (-s)^n \Gamma(1+n)^3}{8n! \Gamma(-2(-1-n))} \quad (46)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \frac{\text{ArcSin}(\sqrt{s}/2)}{2\sqrt{4-s}\sqrt{s}} \quad (47)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \frac{x}{4(1-x^2)} H[0,x] \quad (48)$$

Here were residua at $z_6 = -n - 1, n = 0, 1, \dots$ taken

The divergent parts of the masters B5l3m are:

$$B5l3m[-2, x_-, y_-] = B5l3m[-1, x_-, y_-] = 0;$$

$$B5l3md1[-2, x_-, y_-] = ((-1 + x)^2 * y * (-1 + y^2 + 2 * y * H[0, y])) / \\ (8 * x * (-1 + y) * (1 + y)^3);$$

$$B5l3md1[-1, x_-, y_-] = ((y * (6 * (-1 + x - x^2 + x^3) * H[0, x]) * \\ (-1 + y^2 + 2 * y * H[0, y]) - 6 * (1 + x) * (-2 - 2 * x^2 + 2 * y^2 + 2 * x^2 * y^2 + \\ y * z^2 - 2 * x * y * z^2 + x^2 * y * z^2 + 2 * (-2 * x - y + 2 * x * y - x^2 * y - 2 * x * y^2 + \\ (-1 + x)^2 * y * H[-1, -y] + 3 * (-1 + x)^2 * y * H[-1, y]) * H[0, y]) - \\ 6 * (-1 + x)^2 * y * H[0, -1, y] - 4 * y * H[0, 0, y] + 8 * x * y * H[0, 0, y] - \\ 4 * x^2 * y * H[0, 0, y] + 2 * y * H[0, 1, y] - 4 * x * y * H[0, 1, y] + \\ 2 * x^2 * y * H[0, 1, y])) / (24 * x * (1 + x) * (-1 + y) * (1 + y)^3));$$

$$B5l3md2[-2, x_-, y_-] = -x / (1 - x^2) / 4 H[0, x];$$

$$B5l3md2[-1, x_-, y_-] = ((x * (2 * (1 + y^2) * H[0, x]) * H[0, y]) - \\ (-1 + y^2) * (z^2 + 6 * H[-1, 0, x] - 4 * H[0, 0, x] - \\ 2 * H[1, 0, x])) / (4 * (-1 + x^2) * (-1 + y^2)));$$

$$B5l3md2a[-a, x_-, y_-] = B5l3md2[-a, y, x], \quad a = -2, -1;$$

$$B5l3md3[-2, x_-, y_-] = 0;$$

$$B5l3md3[-1, x_-, y_-] = -((x * y * H[0, x]) * H[0, y]) / ((-1 + x^2) * (-1 + y^2));$$

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Summary

Recent essential progress for the massive 2-box master integral determination:

- A complete [list of masters](#) (2004)
- Huge files with [algebraic relations for all the reducible Feynman integrals](#) needed for the interferences of boxes with Born (not complete but fully understood)
- Underway: Determination of all 2-box masters in a systematic approach
use [Generalized Harmonic Polylogarithms](#), introduced by Remiddi, Vermaseren
[plus ...](#))
- An [unsolved problem](#) is the systematic [summation of the massive multiple sums](#) after the MB-integral evaluation

Most important conclusion from the efforts of the last year:

[It is possible to do the complete massive 2-loop calculation with present computers and human resources.](#)