

Towards two-loop master integrals for $t\bar{t}H$



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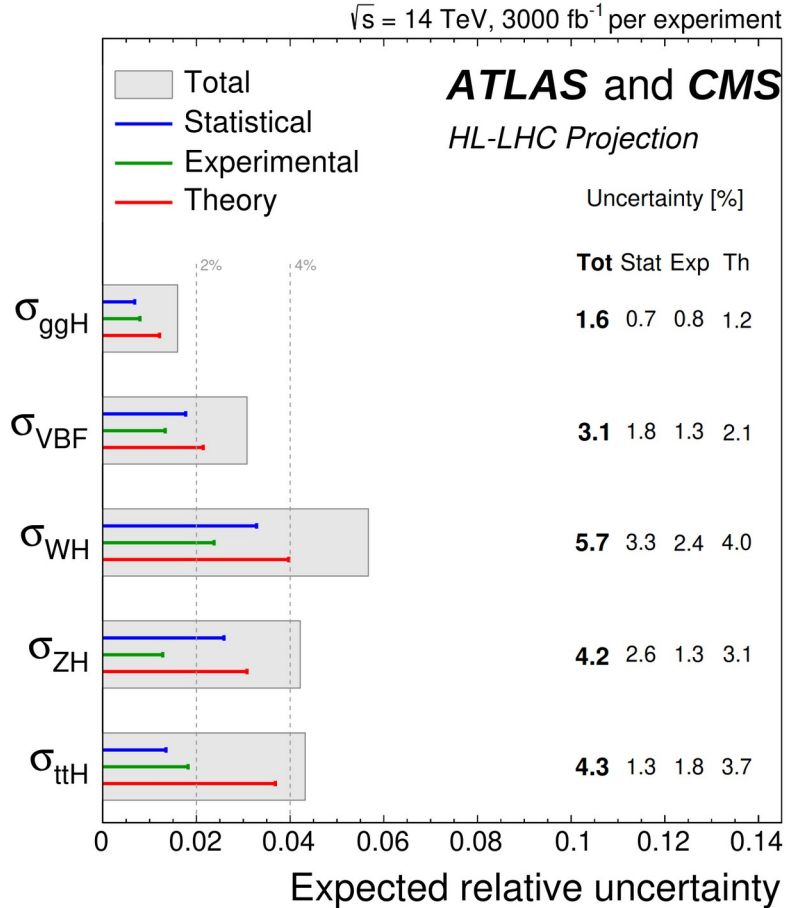
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Motivation



$t\bar{t}H$ allows for a direct measurement of

$$y_t = \frac{\sqrt{2}m_t}{v}$$

Exp. Precision: $\mathcal{O}(20\%) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(2\%)$

Approximate NNLO:

σ [pb]	$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$	$\sqrt{s} = 100 \text{ TeV}$
σ_{LO}	$0.3910^{+31.3\%}_{-22.2\%}$	$25.38^{+21.1\%}_{-16.0\%}$
σ_{NLO}	$0.4875^{+5.6\%}_{-9.1\%}$	$36.43^{+9.4\%}_{-8.7\%}$
σ_{NNLO}	$0.5070 (31)^{+0.9\%}_{-3.0\%}$	$37.20(25)^{+0.1\%}_{-2.2\%}$

[Catani et al., arXiv:2210.07846]

The missing ingredient:

Two-Loop Virtual Amplitudes

Status of NNLO 2 -> 3 with tops

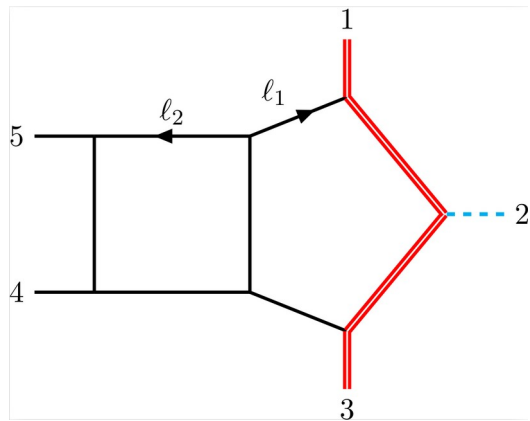
$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}j$$

- One-loop Amplitudes at @ $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$
[Badger, Bechetti, Chaubey, Marzucca, Sarandrea, arXiv:2201.12188]
- A planar two-loop integral family
[Badger, Bechetti, Chaubey, Marzucca, arXiv:2210.17477]
- Leading-color two-loop integrals
[Badger, Bechetti, Giraudo, Zoia, arXiv:2404.12325]

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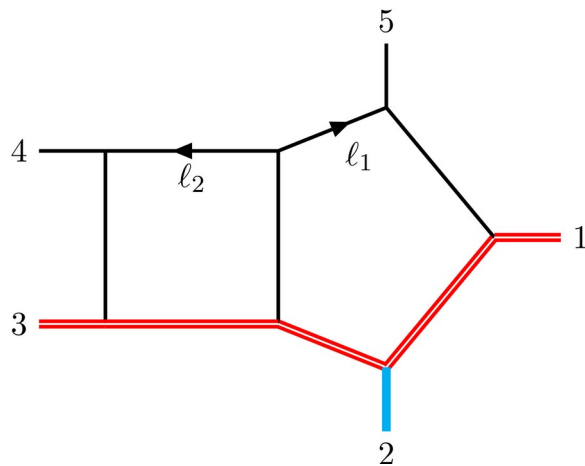
- IR divergences of two-loop amplitudes
[Chen, Ma, Wang, Yang, Ye, arXiv:2202.02913]
- Two-loop amplitudes in soft Higgs/boosted limit
[Catani, Devoto, Grazzini, Kallweit, Mazzitelli, Savoini, arXiv:2210.07846] [Wang, Xia, Yang, Ye, arXiv:2401.07632]
- Two-loop planar master integrals for light-quark loop
[Febres Cordero, Figueiredo, MK, Page, Reina, arXiv:2312.08131]
- One-loop $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$ @ $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$
[Buccioni, Kreer, Liu, Tancredi, arXiv:2312.10015]
- Two-loop $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$ amplitudes N_f contribution
[Agarwal, Heinrich, Jones, Kerner, Klein, Lang, Magerya, Olsson, arXiv:2402.03301]

Two-loop ttH @ Leading Color



111 MIs

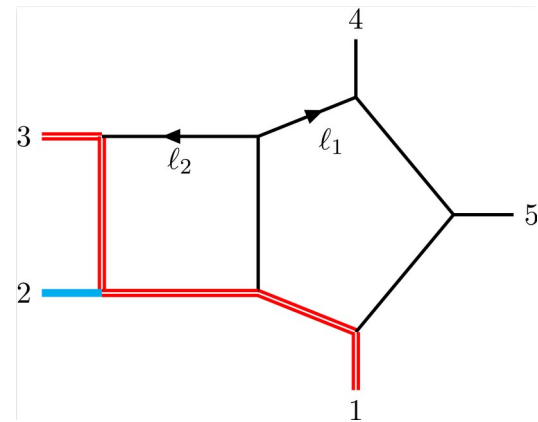
Nested root



156 MIs

More nested roots ...

Elliptic sectors

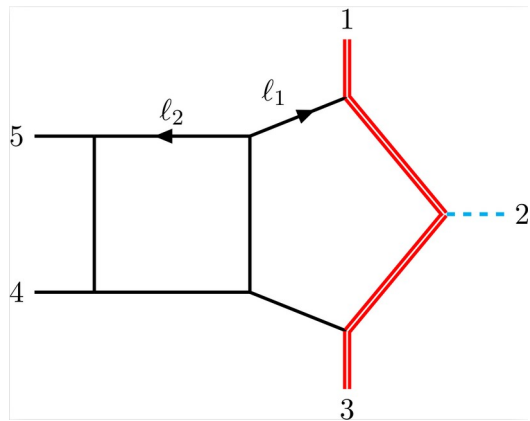


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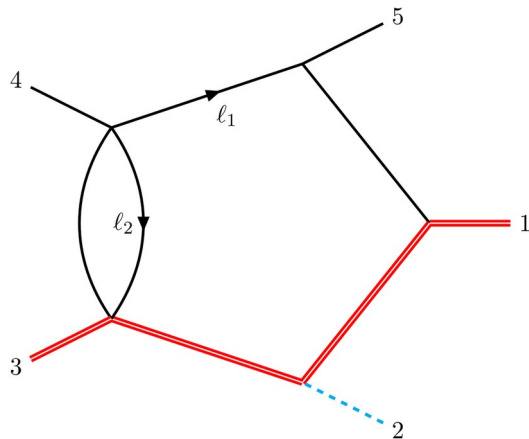
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Two-loop ttH @ Leading Color



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Nested root



19 MIs

No surprises :)

All Master Integrals for Leading-Color + closed light fermion for ttH

Scattering Kinematics

$$\text{Channel: } g(p_4)g(p_5) \rightarrow t(p_1)H(p_2)\bar{t}(p_3)$$

Five-point, two massless legs, two on-shell tops, generic Higgs

$$p_1^2 = p_3^2 = m_t^2, \quad p_2^2 = q^2, \quad p_4^2 = p_5^2 = 0$$

7 independent kinematic invariants

$$\vec{s} = \{v_{12}, v_{23}, v_{34}, v_{45}, v_{15}, m_t^2, q^2\}, \quad v_{ij} = 2(p_i \cdot p_j)$$

11 square roots:

6 – Gram determinants

2 – mod. Cayleys

3 – Maximal cut

2 nested roots:

$$\sqrt{N_{\pm}} = \sqrt{q^2 \left(N_b \pm \sqrt{N_b^2 - N_c} \right)}$$

N_b degree 3 polynomial
in 5 variables

General Strategy

1. Setup differential equations for system of master integrals

$$\frac{d\vec{I}}{dx} = B_x \vec{I} \quad [\text{Kotikov, '91; Remiddi '97; Gehrmann, Remiddi '01}]$$

2. Find a basis in ϵ -factorized form

$$\vec{J} = T\vec{I} \quad \frac{d\vec{J}}{dx} = \epsilon A_x \vec{J} \quad [\text{Henn '13}]$$

3. Rewrite differential matrix in terms of basis of one-forms

$$A_x = \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{\alpha} M_{\alpha} d \log(\omega_{\alpha})$$

4. Numerical solutions via series expansions

[Moriello '19; Hidding '20, Liu; Ma '22]

Construction of ϵ -factorized Basis

Construction of a canonical Basis is non-trivial!

Our Approach:

1. Find initial choice of masters such that

$$B(\epsilon, \vec{s}) = B^{(0)}(\vec{s}) + \epsilon B^{(1)}(\vec{s})$$

2. Change basis $\vec{J} = T\vec{I}$, where T satisfies homogeneous DE

$$dT_{ij} = B_{ik}^{(0)} T_{kj}$$

3. If necessary compute subtraction terms for off-shell corrections by explicit integration

Computation in Finite-Fields – Analytics only where necessary!

The Easy Sectors

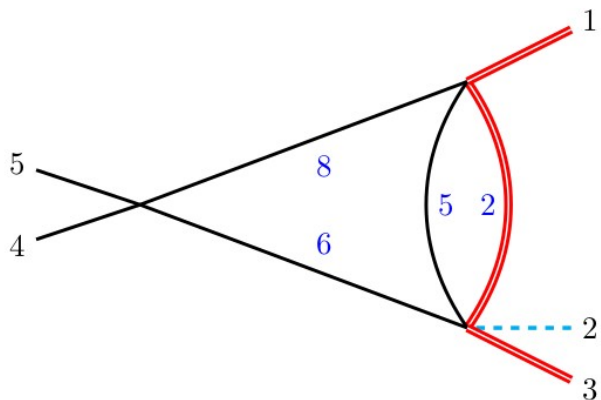
$$B^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} \star & 0 & 0 \\ \star & \star & 0 \\ \star & \star & \star \end{pmatrix}$$

1. First remove the diagonal elements via

$$T_{ii} = \exp \left(- \int dx B_{ii}^{(0)} \right)$$

2. Then remove off-diagonal elements

$$T_{ij} = - \int dx B_{ij}^{(0)}$$

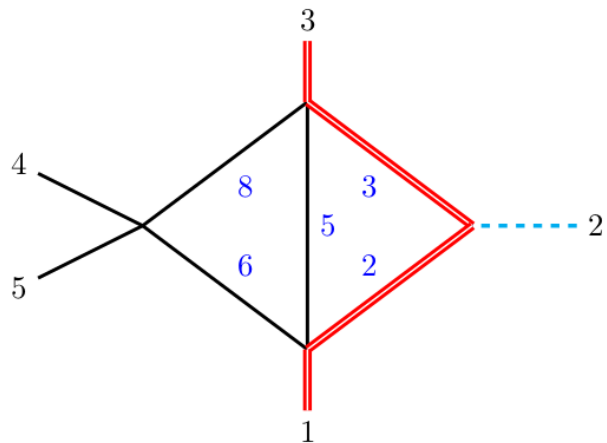


$$\mathcal{N}_{31}^{(1)} = \epsilon^3 \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(3)}} \frac{1}{\rho_2} ,$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{32}^{(1)} = \epsilon^3 \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(3)}} \frac{1}{\rho_5} ,$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{33}^{(1)} = \epsilon^2 \left[\frac{m_t^2 v_{45}}{\rho_2 \rho_6} + \epsilon (q^2 + v_{23} - v_{45}) \left(\frac{1}{\rho_2} + \frac{1}{2\rho_5} \right) \right]$$

The fun-stuff: Kite



This sector has 7 master integrals

Using the previous methods we can reduce the problem to a coupled 3x3 system

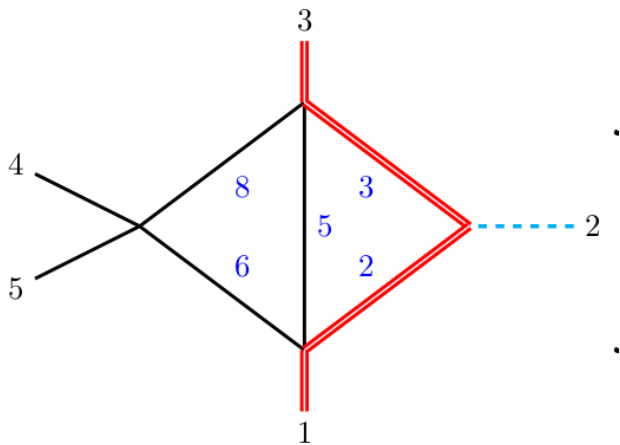
$$B^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \star & 0 \\ \star & 0 & 0 \\ \star & \star & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Needs Magnus expansion of entire 3x3 system!

$$dT = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{4}d\log(A) & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4}d\log(A) & 0 & 0 \\ x & y & 0 \end{pmatrix} T$$

A - algebraic

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Solution introduces a nested root in the integral basis

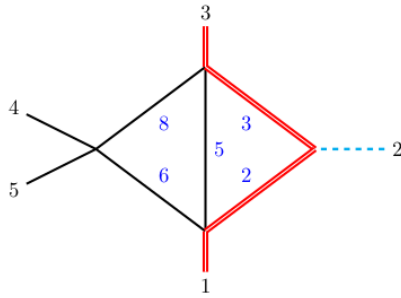
$$\sqrt{N_{\pm}} = \sqrt{q^2 \left(N_b^2 \pm \sqrt{N_b^2 - N_c} \right)}$$

$$N_b = q^2 \left[(v_{14} + v_{15})^2 + (v_{34} + v_{35})^2 \right] - 2m_t^2 (v_{24} + v_{25})^2$$

$$N_c = q^2 (q^2 - 4m_t^2) (v_{12} - v_{23})^2 (v_{24} + v_{25} + 2v_{45})^2$$

New analytic structure!

The fun-stuff: Kite



$$\mathcal{N}_{60}^{(1)} = \epsilon^4 \sqrt{r_1} ,$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{61}^{(1)} = \epsilon^3 v_{45} \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(2)}} \frac{1}{\rho_8} ,$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{62}^{(1)} = \epsilon^3 v_{45} \sqrt{\Delta_3^{(1)}} \frac{1}{\rho_6} ,$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{63}^{(1)} = \epsilon^3 \sqrt{\mathcal{C}_2} \frac{1}{\rho_5} ,$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{64}^{(1)} = \epsilon^3 \left[\frac{\sqrt{N_+}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\rho_3} - \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right) + \frac{\sqrt{\mathcal{C}_1} \sqrt{N_-}}{2q^2} \left(\frac{1}{\rho_3} + \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right) \right] ,$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{65}^{(1)} = \epsilon^3 \left[\frac{\sqrt{N_-}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\rho_3} - \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right) + \frac{\sqrt{\mathcal{C}_1} \sqrt{N_+}}{2q^2} \left(\frac{1}{\rho_3} + \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right) \right] ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}_{66}^{(1)} = & \epsilon^2 \frac{m_t^2 v_{45} (q^2 + v_{12})(q^2 + v_{23})}{2q^2 + v_{12} + v_{23}} \left(\frac{1}{\rho_2 \rho_6} + \frac{1}{\rho_3 \rho_8} \right) \\ & + \epsilon^3 \left(C_{66}^{(1)} \frac{1}{\rho_5} + C_{66}^{(2)} \frac{1}{\rho_6} + C_{66}^{(3)} \frac{1}{\rho_8} \right) \\ & + \epsilon^3 \left(C_{66}^{(4)} \left(\frac{1}{\rho_3} + \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right) + C_{66}^{(5)} \left(\frac{1}{\rho_3} - \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right) \right) \\ & + C_{66}^{(6)} \left[\rho_2 \mathcal{N}_{36}^{(1)} - \rho_3 \mathcal{N}_{33}^{(1)} + \rho_2 \rho_8 \mathcal{N}_3^{(1)} \right] + C_{66}^{(7)} \left[\rho_5 \mathcal{N}_{28}^{(1)} \right] \\ & + C_{66}^{(8)} \left[\rho_6 \mathcal{N}_{26}^{(1)} - \rho_8 \mathcal{N}_{13}^{(1)} \right] + C_{66}^{(9)} \left[\rho_3 \rho_6 \mathcal{N}_{10}^{(1)} + \rho_2 \rho_8 \mathcal{N}_2^{(1)} \right] \\ & + C_{66}^{(10)} \left[\rho_3 \rho_6 \mathcal{N}_9^{(1)} \right] . \end{aligned}$$

Reconstruction of DEs

We follow the random direction DE approach:

[Abreu, Ita, Moriello, BP, Tschernow, Zeng '20]

$$(\vec{r} \cdot \nabla_{\vec{s}}) \vec{I} = C(\epsilon, \vec{s}) \vec{I}, \quad C(\epsilon, \vec{s}) = \epsilon \sum_{\alpha} M_{\alpha} (\vec{r} \cdot \nabla_{\vec{s}}) \omega_{\alpha}$$

From which we obtain the number of linear independent basis functions:

$$\mathcal{C} = \{C(\epsilon, \vec{s}_1), \dots, C(\epsilon, \vec{s}_N)\} \rightarrow \text{Rank}[\mathcal{C}] = \min\{N, \dim(\omega)\} \rightarrow \dim(\omega) = 152$$

Now we can build an Ansatz Matrix:

$$W_{\alpha n} \equiv (\vec{r} \cdot \nabla_{\vec{s}}) \omega_{\alpha}(\vec{s}) \Big|_{\vec{s}=\vec{s}_n}$$

And fit only the coefficient matrices of the entire DE:

$$M_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{n=1}^{152} W_{\alpha n}^{-1} \cdot C(\epsilon, \vec{s}_n)$$

Problem reduced to computation of basis functions

Alphabet

PentaBox Topology has 152 letters

- Much larger than single family for $pp \rightarrow Wjj$
- 9 Letters are irrelevant -> only arise at $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^5)$

122 relevant letters without nested roots

Mass dimension	1	2	3	4	5	6	Σ
# Polynomial Letters	19	10	8	5	0	1	43
# Algebraic, single odd	14	12	15	0	0	1	42
# Algebraic, double odd	5	21	10	1	0	1	37

Remaining 21 relevant letters depend on nested roots!

Letters with nested roots

Many entries can be put into dLog form

$$d \log \left(\frac{q^2[v_{45} + s_{13} - q^2] - \sqrt{N_+}}{q^2[v_{45} + s_{13} - q^2] + \sqrt{N_+}} \right), \quad d \log \left(\frac{q^2(v_{12} - v_{23})(v_{45} + s_{13} - q^2) + \sqrt{r_1} \sqrt{N_+}}{q^2(v_{12} - v_{23})(v_{45} + s_{13} - q^2) - \sqrt{r_1} \sqrt{N_+}} \right)$$

We were **unable** to find dLog forms in 4 cases generated by

$$\omega^E = \frac{\Omega^E}{m_t^2(q^2 - v_{23})\sqrt{G(p_2, p_3)}\sqrt{N_+}\sqrt{N_b^2 - N_c}W_{32}}$$

Generates only **single-poles** when expanded around zeros of denominator

Not clear, if can be brought into dLog form. Lack of **decision procedure**

Numerical Solutions - I

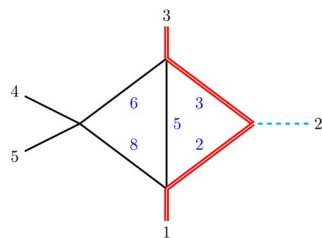
Use AMFlow to compute 100-digit physical region boundary constants

[Liu, Ma, arXiv:2201.11669]

Solve DE using generalized series expansions techniques

[Moriello, arXiv:1907.13234]

Public implementations: No nested roots -> use auxiliary basis

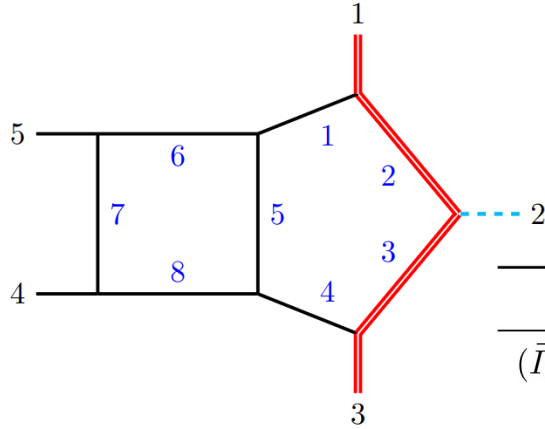

$$= \left\{ \epsilon^3 (q^2)^2 \left(\frac{1}{\rho_3} + \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right), \epsilon^3 (q^2)^2 \left(\frac{1}{\rho_3} - \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right) \right\}$$

Proof of concept DiffExp implementation in ancillary files

[Febres Cordero, Figueiredo, MK, Page, Reina, arXiv:2312.08131]

[Hidding, arXiv:2006.05510]

Numerical Solutions - II



$$\vec{s}_1 = \left\{ \frac{19}{3}, \frac{46}{3}, -\frac{24}{7}, \frac{383}{5}, -\frac{61}{28}, \frac{25}{118}, \frac{97}{896} \right\},$$

	$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0)$	$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^1)$	$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$	$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)$	$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4)$
$(\vec{I}_1)_{109}$	0	0	0	-3.703380133 $+5.885655074 i$	2.149576969 $-10.432322830 i$
$(\vec{I}_1)_{110}$	0	0	0	0	0
$(\vec{I}_1)_{111}$	0	0	-1.306045093 $-12.647039669 i$	2.05552771 $+25.35139955 i$	-85.55528965 $-75.93834102 i$

Solving DE is approximately 2 orders of magnitude faster than AMFlow

Summary & Outlook

Summary:

- We computed the first set of master integrals for

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H \quad @ \quad \text{NNLO}$$

- We provide differential equations in ϵ -factorized form
- We find a new analytic structure: **Nested square roots!**

Outlook:

- Computation of one-fold integral solution of DEs
following [Chicherin, Sotnikov '20]
- Finding canonical form of remaining two **elliptic** PentaBox families