

PH16212, Homework 5

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1. Consider the two-loop massive sunset diagram with *equal mass*

$$D_1 = l_1^2 - m^2, \quad D_2 = l_2^2 - m^2, \quad D_3 = (l_2 + l_1 + p)^2 - m^2, \quad (1)$$

with $p^2 = s$. We define two irreducible scalar products as

$$D_4 = (l_1 + p)^2, \quad D_5 = (l_2 + p)^2 \quad (2)$$

As usual, we define the variables

$$y_{11} = l_1^2, \quad y_{22} = l_2^2, \quad y_{12} = l_1 \cdot l_2, \quad x_{11} = l_1 \cdot p, \quad x_{21} = l_2 \cdot p, \quad (3)$$

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2. Let l_1 and l_2 be two D -dimensional loop momenta, p_1, p_2, p_3 be the independent external momenta. Prove the identity

$$G \left(\begin{array}{cccccc} l_1 & l_2 & p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \\ l_1 & l_2 & p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \end{array} \right) = \frac{G \left(\begin{array}{cccc} l_1 & p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \\ l_1 & p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \end{array} \right) G \left(\begin{array}{cccc} l_2 & p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \\ l_2 & p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \end{array} \right) - G \left(\begin{array}{cccc} l_1 & p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \\ l_2 & p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \end{array} \right)^2}{G \left(\begin{array}{ccc} p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \\ p_1 & p_2 & p_4 \end{array} \right)} \quad (4)$$

This identity is very useful for two-loop integrand analysis.

3. Consider the two-loop massless pentagon-box diagram with the propagators,

$$D_1 = l_1^2, \quad D_2 = (l_1 - p_1)^2, \quad D_3 = (l_1 - p_1 - p_2)^2, \quad D_4 = (l_1 - p_1 - p_2 - p_3)^2 \\ D_5 = l_2^2, \quad D_6 = (l_2 - p_5)^2, \quad D_7 = (l_2 - p_4 - p_5)^2, \quad D_8 = (l_1 + l_2)^2 \quad (5)$$

with $p_1^2 = p_2^2 = p_3^2 = p_4^2 = p_5^2 = 0$.

- Draw the corresponding Feynman diagram.

- Assume that l_1 and l_2 are 4-dimensional. Consider the parameterization,

$$\begin{aligned} l_1 &= (1 + a_1)p_1 + a_2p_2 + a_3 \frac{\langle 23 \rangle}{\langle 13 \rangle} \lambda_1 \tilde{\lambda}_2 + a_4 \frac{[23]}{[13]} \lambda_2 \tilde{\lambda}_1 \\ l_2 &= b_1p_4 + (1 + b_2)p_5 + b_3 \frac{\langle 51 \rangle}{\langle 41 \rangle} \lambda_4 \tilde{\lambda}_5 + b_4 \frac{[51]}{[41]} \lambda_5 \tilde{\lambda}_4 \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Solve the maximal cut equation

$$D_1 = D_2 = D_3 = D_4 = D_5 = D_6 = D_7 = D_8 = 0. \quad (7)$$

How many solutions are there? For each solution, explicitly write down the expression for a and b 's as *rational fractions* of s_{12} , s_{23} , s_{34} , s_{45} and s_{15} and

$$\text{tr}_5 = 4i \det(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4). \quad (8)$$

(Hint: use momentum twistor method.)