

Invariant differential forms, graph complexes
& Feynman integrals.

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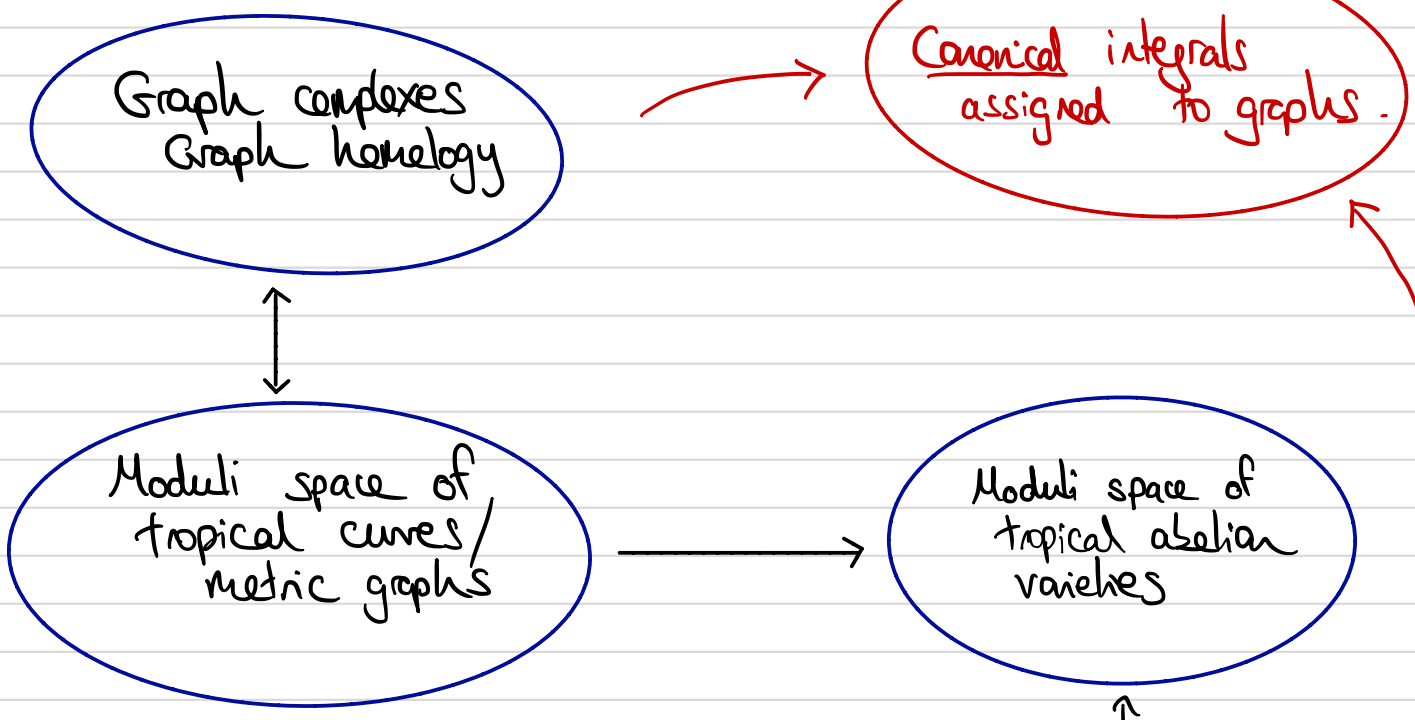
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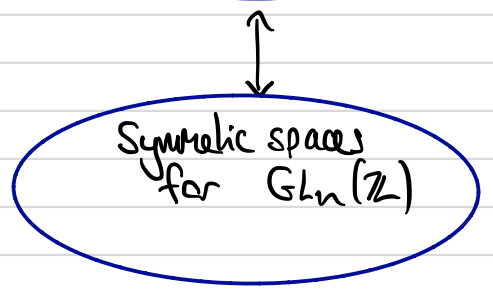
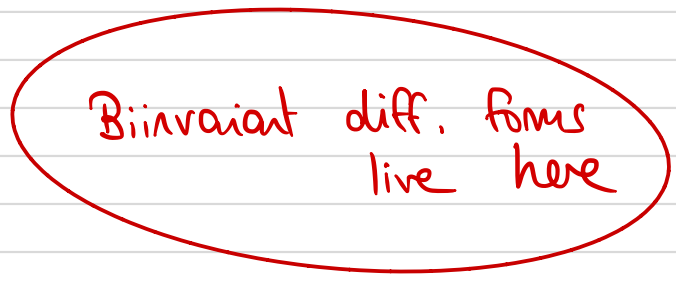
Overview.

Maths:

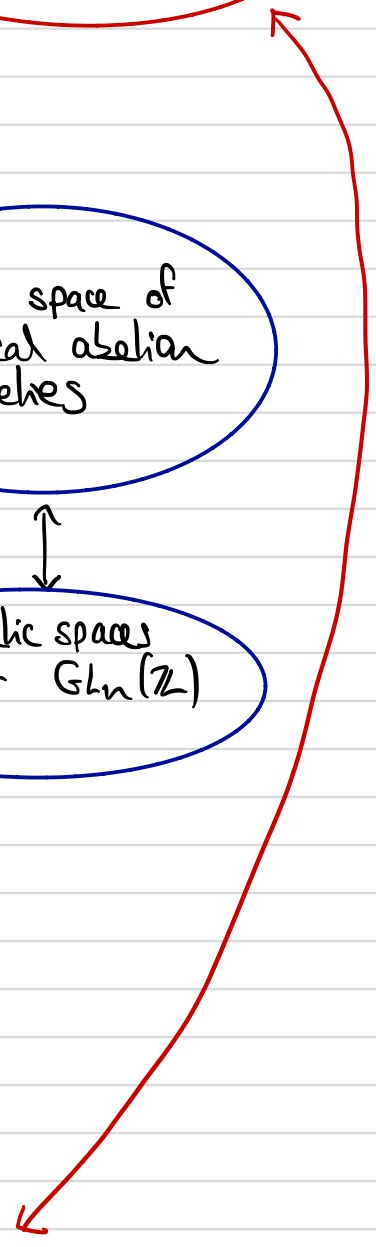
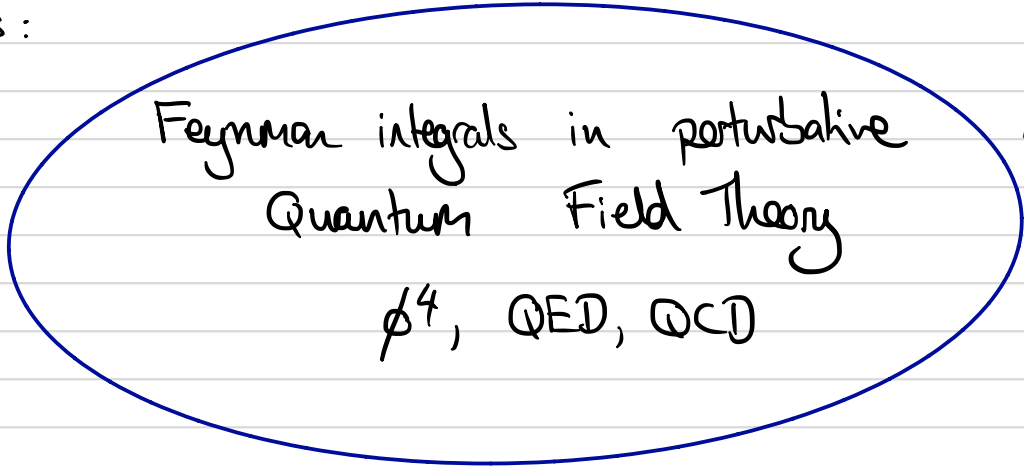
Output



Input



Physics:



I). "Commutative" graph complex GC_2 .

- G a connected graph

- no self edges \bigcirc

- no vertices of $\text{deg.} \leq 2$ $\rightarrow \bullet$

- An **orientation** on edges is

$$\eta = e_1 \wedge \dots \wedge e_n \in (\det \mathbb{Z}^{E_G})^{\times}$$

i.e., ordering on edges up to sign.

$GC_2 =$ \mathbb{Q} -vector space generated by

(G, η) oriented graphs

modulo $\cdot (G, -\eta) = - (G, \eta)$

$\cdot (G, \eta) = (G', \sigma(\eta))$

$$\sigma: G \xrightarrow{\sim} G' \text{ isom.}$$

Denote equivalences $[G, \eta]$.

Differential

$$d [G, e_1 \wedge \dots \wedge e_n] = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i [G//e_i, e_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \hat{e}_i \wedge \dots \wedge e_n]$$

↑ contract edge e_i

well-defined & satisfies $d^2=0$.

Definition: Graph homology (Kartzevich)

$$H(G_G) = \frac{\ker d}{\text{Im } d}$$

It is bigraded:

- $H = \bigoplus_n H_n(G_G)$ $n = e_G - 2h_G$
- $H_n(G_G)$ also graded by e_G (or h_G)
 - ↑ # edges ↑ # loops

Examples

(i) If G admits an automorphism σ inducing an odd permutation of E_G , then

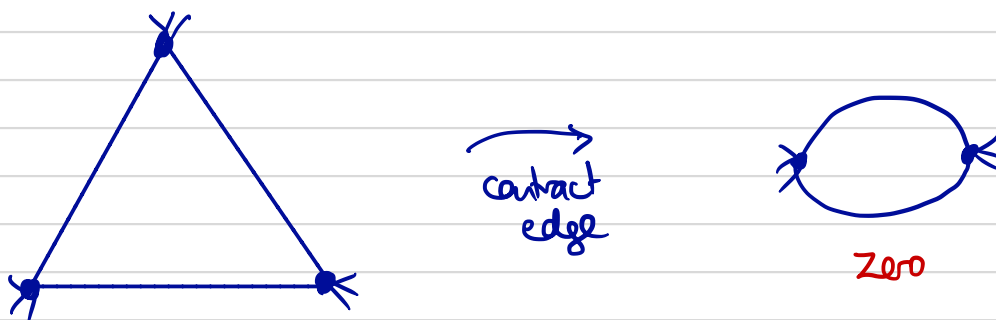
$$[G, \eta] = [G, \sigma\eta] = -[G, \eta] = 0$$

Ex: G has a bubble

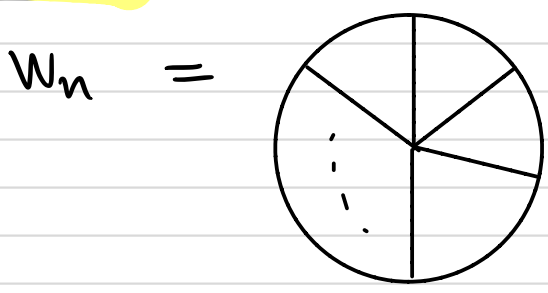


then $[G, \eta] = 0$.

(ii) If G such that every edge lies in a triangle then $dG = 0$



Wheels



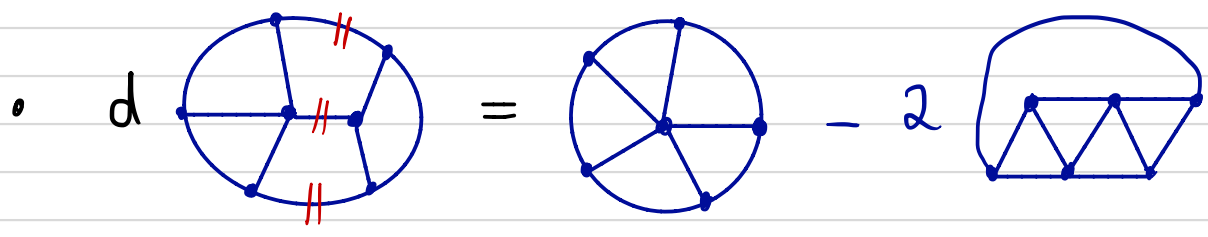
degree
 $e_G - 2h_G = 0$

even: $W_{2n} = 0$ by (i)

odd: $d[W_{2n+1}] = 0$ by (ii)

$[W_{2n+1}] \in H_0(GC_2)$

known to be non-zero.



Extra structures:

- Coalgebra structure

$$G \longmapsto \sum_{\substack{\gamma \in G \\ \text{core}}} \gamma \wedge G/\gamma \quad \text{Cones-Kreiner}$$

core \Leftrightarrow no bridges 

Graph cohomology is dual to graph homology, Lie algebra.

III/ Known results

- **Chen - Galatius - Payne** ('20)

$$H(GC_2) \cong \bigoplus_{g \geq 2} gr^w_{6g-6} H^*(M_g; \mathbb{Q})$$

- **Willwacher** ('15)

- $H_n(GC_2) = 0 \quad n < 0 \quad (h_G > 0)$

- $H_0(GC_2) \cong grt^V \quad \text{Lie coalg.}$

$grt =$ Grothendieck-Teichmüller Lie algebra (Dinfeld)

Deligne conj. '90, B. '12!

- $Lie(\sigma_3, \sigma_5, \dots)$ $\xrightarrow[\text{non-canonical}]{} grt$

free graded Lie alg.

$$\deg \sigma_{2n+1} = -(2n+1)$$

conj. to be isom. (Dinfeld)

Q: How to interpret graph homology?

- How to think about grt^v ?

There exists a natural map

$$grt^v \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} / (\mathbb{Z}(2), \text{products})$$

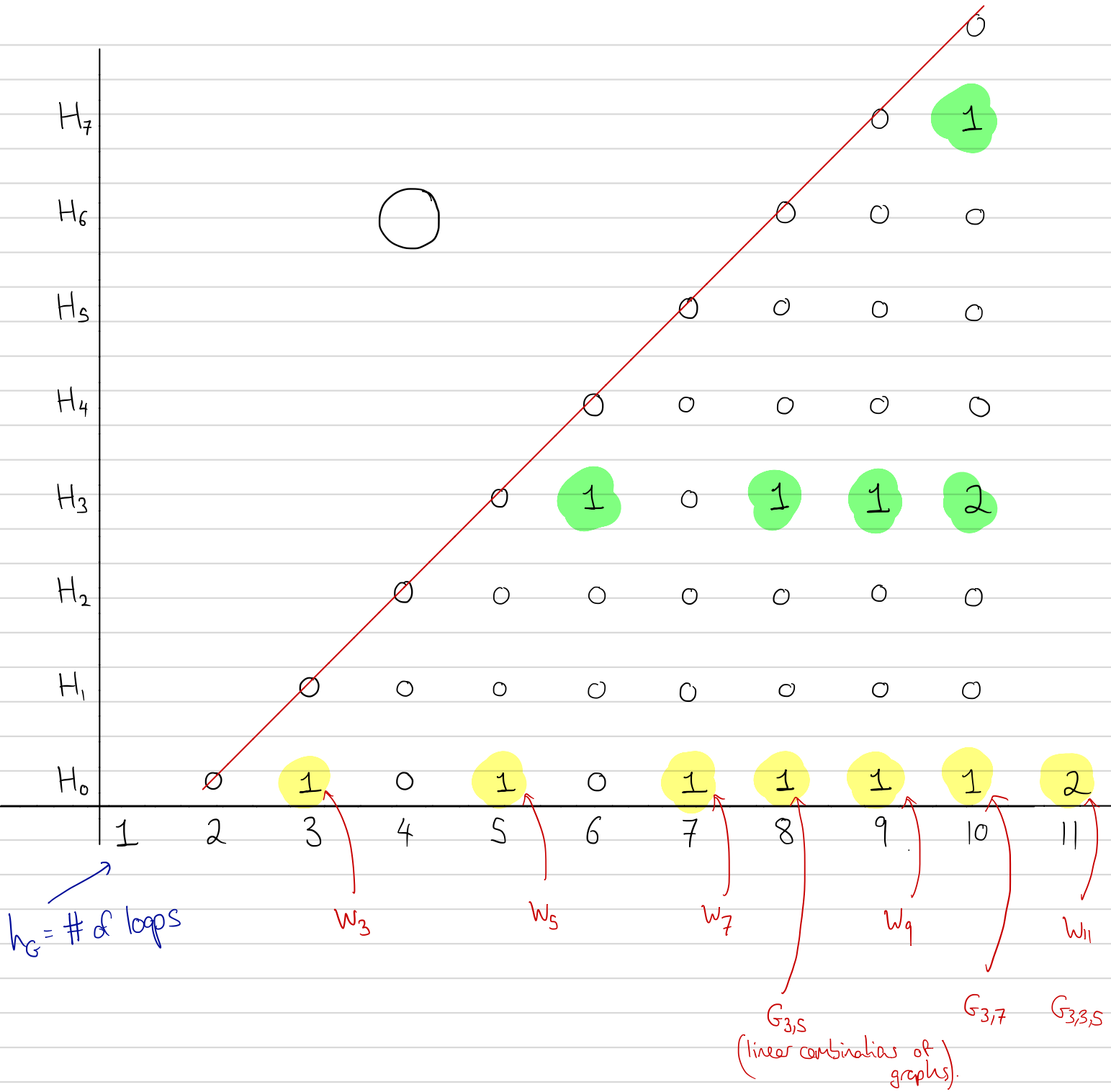
where $\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Q}$ -v. space spanned by
 multiple zeta values

$$\zeta(n_1, \dots, n_r) = \sum_{1 \leq k_1 < \dots < k_r} \frac{1}{k_1^{n_1} \dots k_r^{n_r}}$$

$$\begin{matrix} n_1, \dots, n_r \geq 1 \\ n_r \geq 2 \end{matrix}$$

(Euler)

Many relations eg: $\zeta(a)\zeta(b) = \zeta(a,b) + \zeta(b,a) + \zeta(a+b)$



Yellow classes : grt^V (formal MZV's mod products)
 Green classes : ?? unknown.
 (Numerical computations)

This suggests:

graphs \longrightarrow numbers

$[W_{2n+1}] \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{J}(2n+1)$

- $H_n(GC_2) =$ homology of some space M
- M should have differential forms (de Rham complex)

$$[\omega] \in H_{\text{dR}}^n(M)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_n(GC_2) & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C} \\ \gamma & \longmapsto & \int_{\gamma} \omega \end{array}$$

- Next:
- M moduli space of metric graphs
 - ω invariant form.

bi-Invariant forms

Classical : Write down forms on spaces of matrices which are invariant under left & right mult. by $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$.

• $X \in GL_n(\mathbb{R}^0)$

$R = \bigoplus_{k \geq 0} R^k$ graded DGA over \mathbb{Q}
-comm.

$$\mu_X = X^{-1} dX$$

left-invariant
 $\mu_{AX} = \mu_X, A \in GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$

• Define : $\beta_X^k = \text{tr}(\mu_X^k) \in R^k$
"k-form".

Properties :

- $\beta_X^{2k} = 0$
- $d\beta_X^{2k+1} = 0$
- $\beta_{X^T}^k = (-1)^{\frac{k(k-1)}{2}} \beta_X^k$

The β_x^k are bi-invariant

$$\beta_{AX}^k = \beta_{XA}^k = \beta_x^k \quad A \in GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$$

$$\beta_x^1 = d(\log \det(x)) \quad \text{odd one out.}$$

We get : $\beta_x^3, \beta_x^5, \beta_x^7, \dots$ in general

If X symmetric, $0 = \beta_x^3 = \beta_x^7 = \dots$, left with

$$\beta_x^5, \beta_x^9, \beta_x^{13}, \dots$$

Examples.

$$\bullet X = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_3 \\ a_4 & a_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{generic}$$

$$\beta_X^3 = 3 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 (-1)^i a_i \widehat{da_1 \dots da_i} \dots da_4}{(a_1 a_2 - a_3 a_4)^2}$$

$$\beta_X^s = 0$$

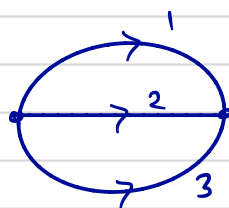
$$\bullet X = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_4 & a_5 \\ a_4 & a_2 & a_6 \\ a_5 & a_6 & a_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{symplectic}$$

$$\beta_X^3 = 0$$

$$\beta_X^s = -10 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^6 (-1)^i a_i \widehat{da_1 \dots da_i} \dots da_6}{\det(X)^2}$$

Graph Laplacian

G connected graph.

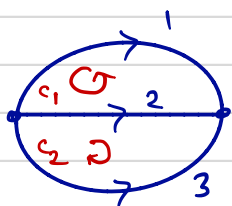


- Number edges e_1, \dots, e_N

Edge $i \rightsquigarrow$ parameter α_i "Schrödinger parameter"

- Choose basis c_1, \dots, c_h of homology cycles

$$H_1(G; \mathbb{Z}) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^{E_G}$$



$$c_1 = e_2 - e_1$$

$$c_2 = e_2 - e_3$$

- Incidence matrix \mathcal{H}

$(\mathcal{H})_{e,c}$ = coefficient of e in c

$$\mathcal{H} = \begin{pmatrix} & c_1 & c_2 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- a graph Laplacian matrix:

$$\Lambda_G = \mathcal{H}^T \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & \\ & \alpha_2 & \\ & & \dots \\ & & & \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \mathcal{H}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_\Theta &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & \\ & \alpha_2 & \\ & & \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 & -\alpha_2 \\ -\alpha_2 & \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- $\psi_G = \det(\Lambda_G)$

graph polynomial
(Kirchhoff)

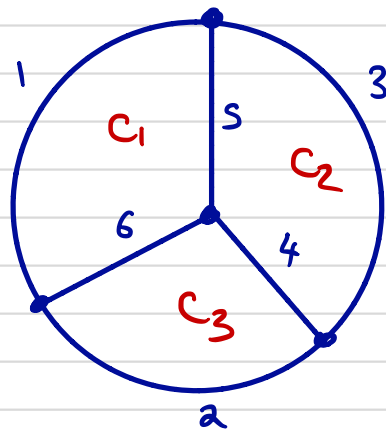
$$\psi_\Theta = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 + \alpha_1 \alpha_3 + \alpha_2 \alpha_3$$

- Define : A (primitive) canonical graph form:

$$\omega_G^{4k+1} = \int_{\Lambda_G} \beta^{4k+1} = \text{tr} \left(\Lambda_G^{-1} d\Lambda_G \right)^{4k+1}$$

Well-defined, by bi-invariance.

جواب:



$$\Lambda_G = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6 & -\alpha_5 & -\alpha_6 \\ -\alpha_5 & \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_5 & -\alpha_4 \\ -\alpha_6 & -\alpha_4 & \alpha_2 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\omega_{w_3}^S = 10 \frac{\Omega_{w_3}}{2 \psi_{w_3}}$$

$$\Omega_G = \sum_{i=1}^N (-1)^i \alpha_i d\alpha_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \widehat{d\alpha_i} \wedge \dots \wedge d\alpha_N$$

Canonical Integrals

• A **canonical form** is a product of primitive ones

eg. $\omega_G = \omega_G^s \wedge \omega_G^a$

$\Omega^{can} =$ Exterior algebra on $\omega^s, \omega^a, \dots$

• G with $e_G = d+1$ edges

$\omega \in \Omega^{can}$ of degree d

$$I_G(\omega) = \int_{\alpha_i \geq 0} \omega_G$$

Theorem: The integral is **always** finite.

Integrand of the form

$$\omega_G^{4k+1} = \frac{N_G}{\psi_G^k} \cdot \Omega_G$$

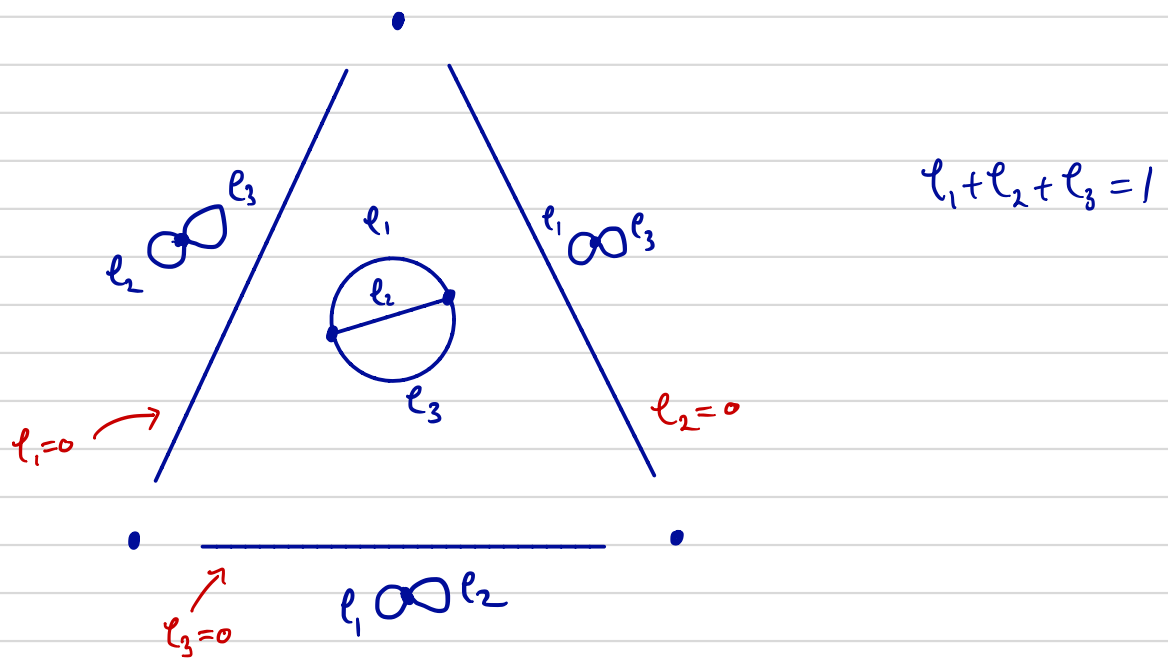
$N_G =$ polynomial in α_i .

V.) Metric graphs :

Metric graph $G =$ graph $G + \ell_e \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}, \forall e$
length of each edge.

such that total length $\sum_{e \in E_G} \ell_e = 1,$

$\sigma(G) =$ space of metrics on $G =$ open simplex $\{ \ell_e > 0, \sum \ell_e = 1 \}$



Faces of closed simplex $\bar{\sigma}(G) : \ell_e = 0 \iff \bar{\sigma}_{G/e}$

These simplices assemble to form Outer Space
(Culler-Vogtmann), moduli of metric graphs
(moduli of tropical curves)

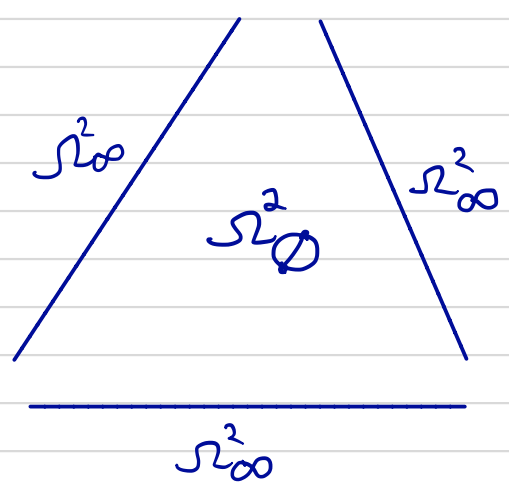
NB not all σ_G allowed, automorphisms

Canonical forms

Glue together

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \omega_G^{4k+1} \Big|_{e=0} &= \omega_{G/e}^{4k+1} \\ \omega_{\sigma(G)}^{4k+1} &= \sigma^* \omega_G^{4k+1} \end{aligned} \right\} \forall \sigma \in \text{Aut}(G)$$

+ many other nice properties.



← forms glue together.

Interpretation

In fact,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Moduli space of} \\ \text{metric graphs} \\ \text{tropical curves} \end{array} \right\} \xrightarrow[\mathcal{J}]{\text{"tropical Torelli"}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{tropical abelian} \\ \text{varieties} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$G \longmapsto [\Lambda_G]$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{+ve semi-definite} \\ \text{of rank } g \end{array} \right\} / GL_g(\mathbb{Z})$$

$$\omega_G^{4k+1} = J^* \underbrace{\beta_x^{4k+1}}_{\text{invariant form}}$$

Examples of canonical integrals

- $I_{W_3}(\omega^5) = 10 \zeta(3)$

- $I_{W_5}(\omega^9) = 1260 \zeta(5)$

- Conj: (w/ Schmetz)

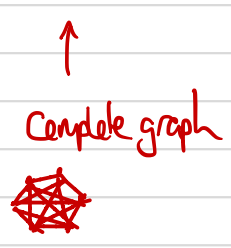
$$I_{W_{2n+1}}(\omega^{4n+1}) = (2n+1) \binom{4n+2}{2n+1} \zeta(2n+1)$$

- Thm: There is $\mathbb{F}_{3,S} \in GC_2$
 $0 \neq [\mathbb{F}_{3,S}] \in H^3(GC_2)$

$$I_{\mathbb{F}_{3,S}}(\omega^S \wedge \omega^9) = \zeta(3) \zeta(S)$$

- (Schmetz-Boinsky)

$$I_{K_6}(\omega^S \wedge \omega^9) = \text{MZV combination of } \zeta(3)\zeta(S), \zeta(3,S), \zeta(8)$$



Stokes Relation

$\omega \in \Omega^{\text{can}}$, Coproduct

$$\Delta \omega^{4k+1} = \omega^{4k+1} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \omega^{4k+1}$$

$$\Delta \omega = \sum_i \omega'_i \otimes \omega''_i$$

$\forall G \in GC_2$ with $\deg \omega + 1$ edges

$$0 = \underbrace{\sum_{e \in E_G} I_{G//e}(\omega)}_{\text{differential in } GC_2} + \underbrace{\sum_{e \in E_G} I_{G \setminus e}(\omega)}_{\text{"dual" differential}}$$

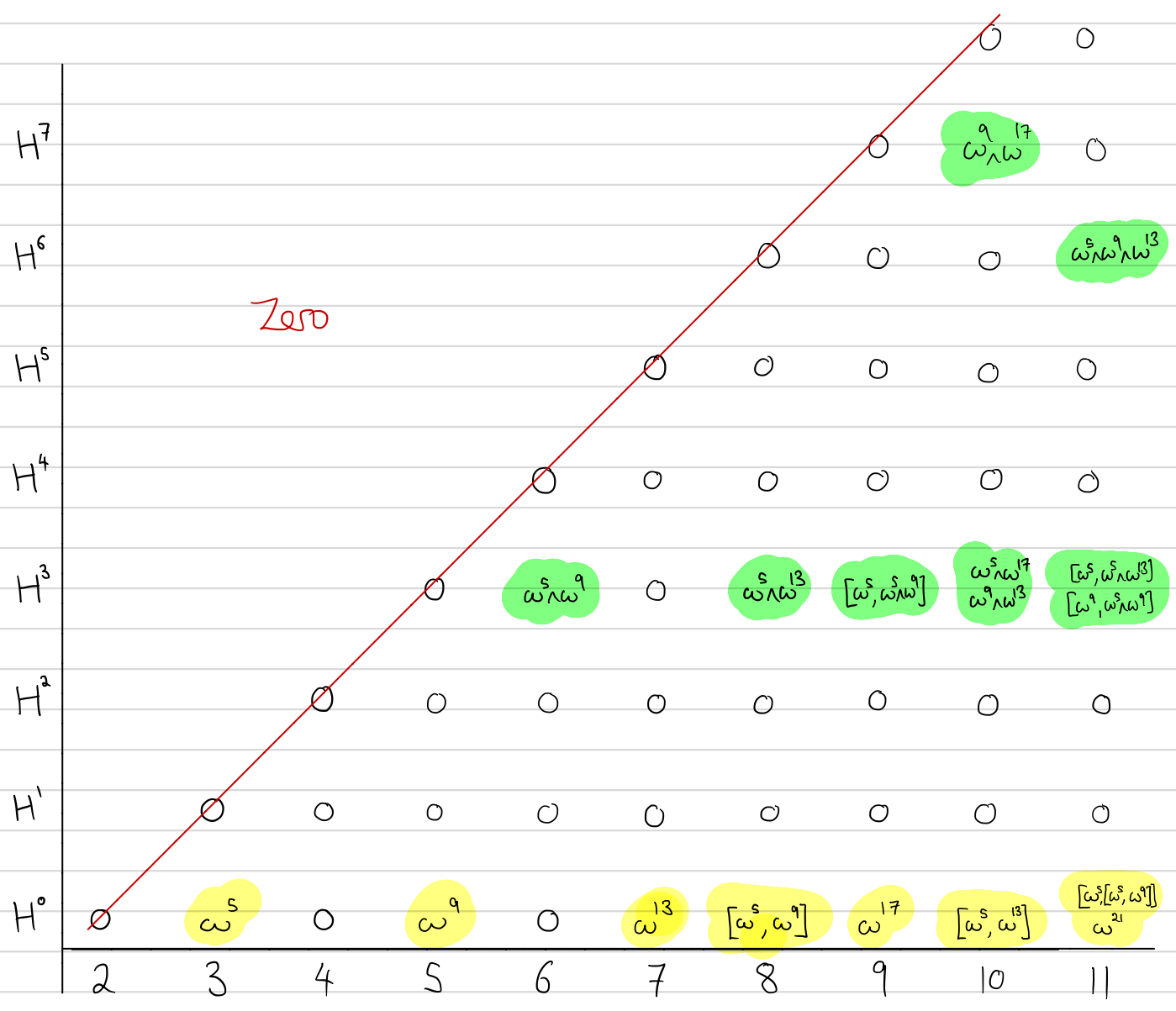
$$+ \underbrace{\sum_{\substack{\gamma \in G \\ \text{core}}} \sum_i I_{\gamma}(\omega'_i) I_{G/\gamma}(\omega''_i)}_{\text{Camenis-Kreimer coalgebra str.}}$$

Cor! If $X \in GC_2$, degree 0, $4k+2$ edges , $dX=0$
 $I_X(\omega^{4k+1}) \neq 0 \Rightarrow [X] \in H^0(GC_2)$
 is non-zero.

Canonical integrals can detect graph homology classes!

Conjecture: \exists Lie Ω can $\xrightarrow{\text{non-can.}}$ $\bigoplus_n H^n(GC_2)$
Cohomology

Special case: Lie (Prim Ω can) = Lie ($\omega^5, \omega^9, \dots$) $\xrightarrow{\text{grt}}$ grt
 Lie ($\sigma_3, \sigma_5, \sigma_9, \dots$) $\xleftarrow{\text{known}}$



Feynman Integrals in ϕ_4^4

Parametric form of residue in ϵ , $4-2\epsilon$ spacetime dimensions

$$I_G^{\text{Feyn}} = \int_{\alpha_i \geq 0} \omega_G^{\text{Feyn}}$$

$$\omega_G^{\text{Feyn}} = \frac{\Omega_G}{\psi_G^2}$$

It is **finite** if :

- $h_G = 2\epsilon_G$ degree is 0
- $h_\gamma < 2\epsilon_\gamma \quad \forall \gamma \subseteq G$

Many numbers I_G^{Feyn} also appear in QED, QCD, ...




Studied intensively 1990's \rightarrow present



Broadhurst, Kreimer, Schetz, ...


"Amplitudes" community

Feynman integrals I^{Feyn}

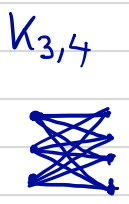
Canonical integrals

W_3 	$6 \mathcal{J}(3)$
W_4 	$20 \mathcal{J}(5)$
W_5 	$70 \mathcal{J}(7)$
W_n	$* \mathcal{J}(2n-3)$

$H_0(GG_2)$	W_3 	$60 \mathcal{J}(3)$
$H_0(GG_2)$	W_5 	$1260 \mathcal{J}(5)$
$H_0(GG_2)$	W_7	$24024 \mathcal{J}(7)$
$H_0(GG_2)$	W_{2n+1}	$* \mathcal{J}(2n+1)$ <i>(Conj.)</i>

$W_3:W_4$ 	$120 \mathcal{J}(3)\mathcal{J}(5)$
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$H_3(GG_2)$	$\mathbb{E}_{3,5}$	$\mathcal{J}(3)\mathcal{J}(5)$
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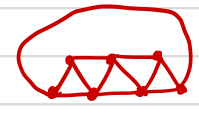
$I_{K_6}(w^s w^a)$

complete graph

$* \mathcal{J}(3)\mathcal{J}(5) + * \left(\mathcal{J}(3,5) - \frac{29}{12} \mathcal{J}(8) \right)$

$* \mathcal{J}(3)\mathcal{J}(5) + * \left(\mathcal{J}(3,5) - \frac{29}{12} \mathcal{J}(8) \right)$

NB: W_n in ϕ^n , but zig-zag graphs play the same role.



$= Z_n \in \phi^4$

$I_{Z_n}^{Feyn} = (* \mathcal{J}(2n-3))$ (B., Schreck)

