

Calabi-Yau period motives in quantum field theory and general relativity

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E.g. with $\mathcal{L} = \int d^D x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi^4 \right]$.

All physical correlators are of the form

$$\langle \phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n) \rangle = Z[J]^{-1} \left(\frac{\delta}{\delta J(x_1)} \right) \dots \left(\frac{\delta}{\delta J(x_n)} \right) Z[J] \Big|_{J=0}$$

In interacting theories $\lambda \neq 0$ this is expanded **asymptotically** in Feynman graphs

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n) \rangle = & \text{tree} + \text{loop} + \text{bubble} + \text{self-energy} + \dots \\ & \lambda \quad \lambda^2 \quad \lambda^2 \quad \lambda^2 \quad \dots \\ & \lambda^3 \quad \lambda^4 \quad \dots \end{aligned}$$

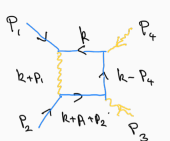
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$$\mathcal{A}(e^- e^+ \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \text{[diagram 1]} + \dots + \kappa \left(\text{[diagram 2]} + \dots \right) + \kappa^2 \left(\text{[diagram 3]} + \dots \right) + \dots$$

The diagrams represent terms in the perturbative expansion of the amplitude. Diagram 1 is a tree-level process with two fermion lines and two photon lines. Diagram 2 is a tree-level process with two fermion lines and two photon lines, involving a fermion loop. Diagram 3 is a tree-level process with two fermion lines and two photon lines, involving a fermion loop and a photon loop.

Scalar part e.g. for e.g. the box integral I : Propagators $\frac{1}{q^2 - m^2 + i\cdot 0}$



$$\sum_{i=1}^4 p_i = 0 \quad \text{momentum conservation}$$

$$\sim \int \frac{d^D k}{(k^2 - m^2) (k+p_1)^2 ((k+p_1+p_2)^2 - m^2) ((k-p_4)^2 - m^2)}$$

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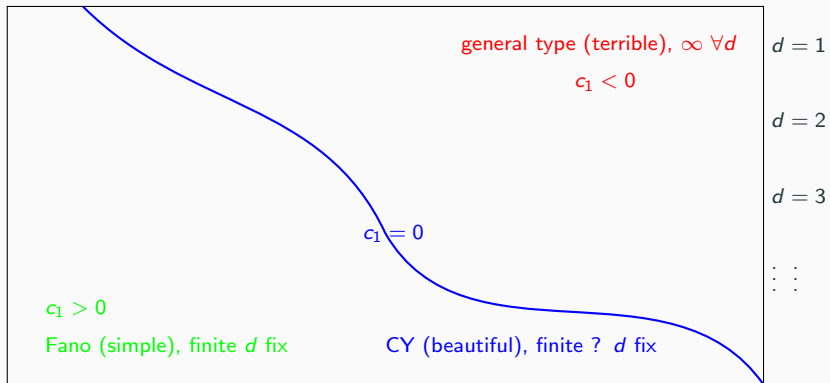
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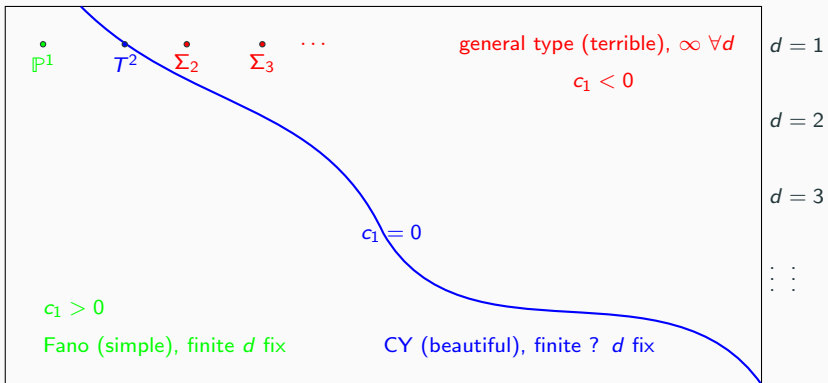
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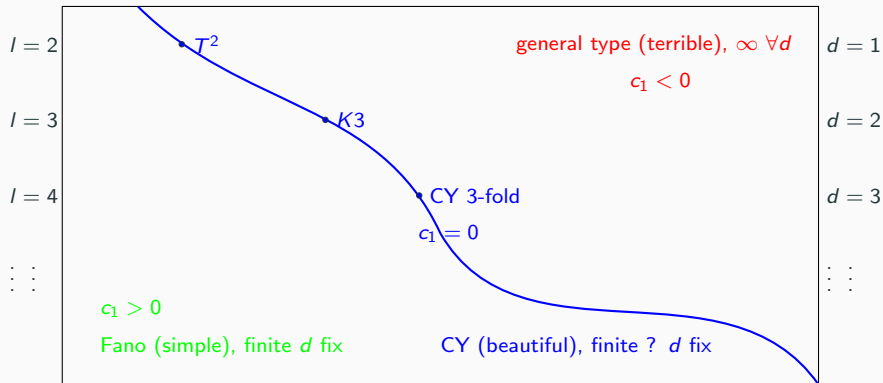


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Dictionary Feynman graphs/amplitudes and geometry

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	○ Monodromy group $\in \Gamma(\mathbb{Z})$; irre- ducible ?		○ Galois group $\text{Gal}(\overline{K}/K)$ ir- reducible ?
actual Feynman integral	Chain integral ϵ - deformed	Inhomogeneous Gauss Manin connection $(d - A(z))\underline{\Pi} = B(z)$	Extended motive

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Remark: CY n -fold are generalisations of **elliptic curves**

- CY 1-fold is an elliptic curve, say $y^2 = x(x - 1)(x - z)$ with **Ω given by $\frac{dx}{y}$** and $\omega = \frac{dx}{y} \wedge \frac{d\bar{x}}{y}$ is its volume form.

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BCs: Branched covers: \mathbb{P} an n -dimensional Fano variety $c_1(\mathbb{P}) > 0$, then a d -fold cover branched at $\frac{d}{d-1}K(\mathbb{P})$ is a CY n -variety: $\mathbb{P} = (\mathbb{P}^1)^n$ and **$d = 2, 3$ are relevant for 2d n-loop fishnets**.

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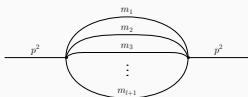
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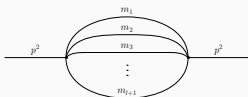


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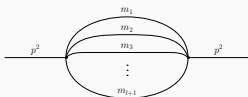
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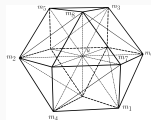
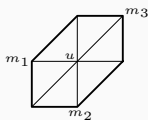
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Such a CICY is denoted for short as

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A more systematic way to get the **Gauss-Manin connection** and the **inhomogeneous term** is to use the integration by parts relations IBP relation between so called master integrals. Consider **l-loop Feynman integrals** in general dimensions $D \in \mathbb{R}_+$ of the form

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$D_j = q_j^2 - m_j^2 + i \cdot 0$ for $j = 1, \dots, p$ are the propagators, q_j is the j^{th} momenta through D_j , $m_j^2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$ are masses, $i \cdot 0$ indicates the choice of contour/branchcut in \mathbb{C} . Subject to momentum conservation the q_j are linear in the external momenta p_1, \dots, p_E , $\sum_{i=1}^E p_i = 0$ and the loop momenta k_r . We defined $\epsilon := \frac{D_{cr} - D}{2}$.

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The Feynman integral depends besides $D(\epsilon)$ on dot products of p_i and the masses m_j^2 , written compactly in a vector $\underline{w} = (w_1, \dots, w_N) = (p_{i_1} \cdot p_{i_2}, m_j^2)$ and dimensional analysis of $I_{\underline{v}}$ shows that it depends only on the ratios of two parameters x_i , we chose

$$x_k := \frac{w_k}{w_N} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k < N$$

and label now the parameters of the integrals $I_{\underline{v}}$ by the dimensionless parameters \underline{x} .

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There is a **finite region** in the lattice that contains all non-vanishing master integrals. In a basis of master integrals one can express derivatives w.r.t. the z_k as a linear combination **rational coefficients** by the IBP relations.

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Among the elements in the lattice \mathbb{Z}^p and, in particular, for the master integrals one can define **sectors** and a **semi-ordering** on the latter by defining a map

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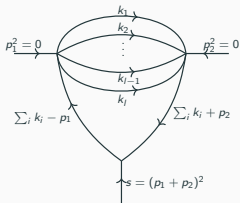
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Dictionary for the blocks

	$l = (n + 1)$ -loop in block integrals in D_{cr} dimensions	Calabi-Yau (CY) geometry
1	Maximal cut integrals in D_{cr} dimensions	$(n, 0)$ -form periods of CY manifolds or CY motives
2	Dimensionless ratios $z_i = m_i^2/p^2$	Unobstructed compl. moduli of M_n , or equi'ly Kähler moduli of the mirror W_n
3	Integration-by-parts (IBP) reduction	Griffiths reduction method
4	Integrand-basis for maximal cuts of of master integrals in D_{cr}	Middle (hyper) cohomology $H^n(M_n)$ M_n
5	Complete set of differential operators annihilating a given maximal cut in D_{cr} dimensions	Homogeneous Picard-Fuchs differential ideal (PFI) / Gauss-Manin (GM) connection

Periods on Calabi-Yau n-folds

Periods integrals

$$\Pi_{ij}(z) = \int_{\Gamma_i} \gamma^j(z)$$

define a non-degenerate pairing between (middle) homology and (middle) cohomology well defined by the theorem of Stokes:

$$\Pi : H_n(M_n, \mathbb{K}) \times H^n(M_n, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}.$$

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$$\Sigma : H_n(M_n, \mathbb{K}) \times H_n(M_n, \mathbb{K}) \rightarrow \mathbb{K},$$

that can be made in particular integral. If n is odd Σ is antisymmetric and can be made symplectic. If n is even Σ is a symmetric on the even self dual lattice $H_n(M_n, \mathbb{K})$. E.g. for $K3$ $b_2 = 22$ and

$$\sigma = b_2^+ - b_2^- = \frac{1}{3} \int_{M_2} c_1^2 - 2c_2 = -16 \text{ hence } b_2 \text{ has signature } (3, 19) \text{ and is } E_8(-1)^{\oplus 2} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{\oplus 3}.$$

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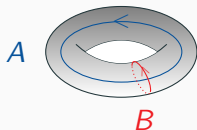
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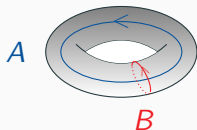


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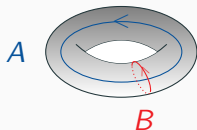
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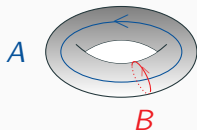
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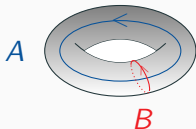
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$$\int_{M_n} \Omega \wedge \underline{\partial}_{I_k}^k \Omega = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k < n \\ C_{I_n}(z) \in \mathbb{Q}[z] & \text{if } k = n . \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Here $\underline{\partial}_{I_k}^k \Omega = \partial_{z_{I_1}} \dots \partial_{z_{I_k}} \Omega \in F^{n-k} := \bigoplus_{p=0}^k H^{n-p,p}(W)$ are arbitrary combinations of derivatives w.r.t. to the z_i , $i = 1, \dots, r$.

Advantages of the geometric representation

1.) Griffith-transversality (3) implies

a.) The Inverse of the Wronskian is up rational factors linear in the periods $W^{-1} = \Sigma W^T Z^{-1}$

$$Z^{-1} = \frac{(2\pi i)^3}{c} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{c''}{c} - 2\frac{c'}{c} + \frac{\varepsilon_2}{c_4} & -\frac{c'}{c} & 1 \\ 2\frac{c'}{c} - \frac{c''}{c} - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{c_4} & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ \frac{c'}{c} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

b.) The Gauss-Manin connection can be brought into a canonical form

$$\partial_{t_i^*} \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{V}_0 \\ \mathcal{V}_j \\ \mathcal{V}^j \\ \mathcal{V}^0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \delta_{ik} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C_{ijk} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \delta_i^j \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{V}_0 \\ \mathcal{V}_k \\ \mathcal{V}^k \\ \mathcal{V}^0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2.) a.) Implies that that in the "variation of constant" procedure the inhomogeneous solution is an iterated integral of the periods $\partial_n^k \Pi$ modulo rational functions. b.) implies that the higher terms in the ϵ expansion can be similar written as iterated integrals.

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The higher-order operators $\mathcal{L}^{(k)}(z, \partial_z)$ generate the Picard-Fuchs differential ideal.

(c) There is a $\mathbb{Z}[\alpha]$ -integer intersection form Σ with entries $\Sigma_{ab} = \Gamma_a \cap \Gamma_b$, which is anti-symmetric and symplectic for n odd with signature $(\frac{b_n}{2}, \frac{b_n}{2})$, and for n even it is symmetric of a signature $(m, b_n - m)$ determined by the Hirzebruch signature index.

(d) Flat sections of the Hodge bundle are determined by their monodromies M_γ for loops γ around special divisors of $\mathcal{M}_{cs}(M)$, that for a choice of basis $\Gamma_a \in H_n(M, \mathbb{Z}[\alpha])$ generate the monodromy group $\Gamma_M \subset \mathrm{Sp}(b_n, \mathbb{Z}[\alpha])$ for n odd and $\Gamma_M \subset \mathrm{O}(\Sigma, \mathbb{Z}[\alpha])$ for n even. In particular, $\vec{\Pi}(z)$ defines a representation of Γ_M .

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Integrable Deformations: Marginal β deformations Leigh, Strassler (95) Maldacena Luni (05). Here most relevant the supersymmetry breaking γ_i , $i = 1, 2, 3$ deformations in the double scaling limit $g \rightarrow 0$, $\gamma_3 \rightarrow i\infty$ with $\xi^2 = g^2 N_c e^{-i\gamma_3}$ fixed Gürdoğan, Kazakov (16), with Caetano (18) and the bi-scalar model χFT Kazakov, Olivucci (18) leading to holographic dual pairs of integrable fishnet and fishchain theories in D dimensions.

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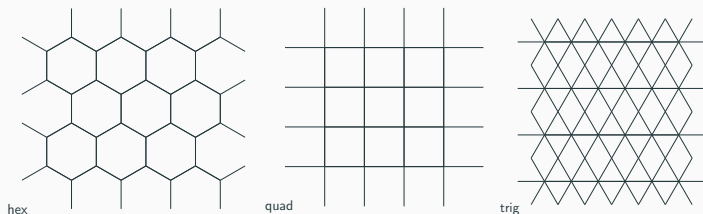


Figure 1: The three regular tilings of the plan with vertices of valence $\nu = 3, 4, 6$ respectively.

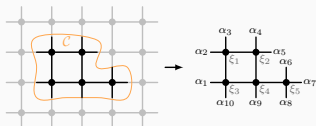


Figure 2: Ten-point five-loop fishnet integral cut out of a square tiling of the plane.

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To obtain a graph G consider a convex closed oriented curve \mathcal{C} that cuts edges of the tiling and does not pass to vertices. To each vertex inside the curve \mathcal{C} we associate a \mathbb{P}^1 with homogeneous coordinates $[x_i : u_i]$, $i = 1, \dots, l$ over which we want to integrate with the measure

$$d\mu_i = u_i dx_i - x_i du_i . \quad (4)$$

To the end point of each cut edge outside \mathcal{C} we associate a parameter $a_j \in \mathbb{C}$, $j = 1, \dots, r$. The graph is constructed by the l vertices with **propagators**

$$P_{ij}^I = \frac{1}{(x_i - x_j)^{w_{ij}}}, \quad P_{ij}^E = \frac{1}{(x_i - a_j)^{w_{ij}}} . \quad (5)$$

To be conformal in D dimension the weights of propagators incident to each vertex V_i has to fulfill

$$\sum w_{ij} = D \quad (6) \quad 33$$

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We deal mainly with $D = 2$ and choose the propagator weights all equal $w_{ij} = w = 2/\nu(V)$, where $\nu(V)$ is the valence of the vertices, i.e. for the hexagonal tiling we have $w = \frac{2}{3}$, for the quartic tiling $w = \frac{1}{4}$ and for the trigonal tiling $w = \frac{1}{3}$.

To the hexagonal and the quartic lattice we can associate an in general singular l -dimensional Calabi-Yau variety M_l as the $d = 3$ or $d = 2$ fold cover

$$W = \frac{y^d}{d} - P([\underline{x} : \underline{u}]; \underline{a}) = 0 \quad (7)$$

over the base $B = (\mathbb{P}^1)^l$ branched at

$$P([\underline{x} : \underline{w}]; \underline{a}) = \prod_{ij} (u_j x_i - x_j u_i) \prod_{ij} (x_i - a_j u_i) = 0, \quad (8)$$

respectively. The orders of the covering automorphism exchanging the sheets will play a crucial role in the following geometric analysis

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Note that (7) defines a Calabi-Yau manifold, because the canonical class of the base is with H_i the hyperplane class of the i 'th \mathbb{P}^1 given by

$$K_B = 2 \bigoplus_{i=1} H_i, \quad (9)$$

and the Calabi-Yau condition ensuring $K_{M_i} = 0$

$$\frac{d}{d-1} K_B = [P([\underline{x} : \underline{u}]; \underline{a})] = \nu \bigoplus_{i=1} H_i \quad (10)$$

is true with $d = 3, 2$ as $\nu = 3, 4$ for graphs from the hexagonal and the quartic tiling, respectively.

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Another way of stating this is that the periods over the unique holomorphic $(\ell, 0)$ -form, given by the Griffiths residuum form Ω

$$\Pi_G = \int_C \Omega = \int_C \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{dy \prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i}{W} = \int_C \frac{\prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i}{\partial_y W} = \int_C \frac{\prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i}{\rho^{\frac{d-1}{d}}} = \int_C \prod_{ij} P_{ij}^I \prod_{ij} P_{ij}^E \prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i, \quad (11)$$

are well defined. The significance for the application is that these period integrals over cycles $C \in H_l(M_l, \mathbb{Z})$ are building blocks for the amplitudes.

$$I_G = \int_C \Omega = \int \sqrt{\left| \prod_{ij} P_{ij}^I \prod_{ij} P_{ij}^E \right|^2} \prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i \wedge d\bar{\mu}_i, \quad (12)$$

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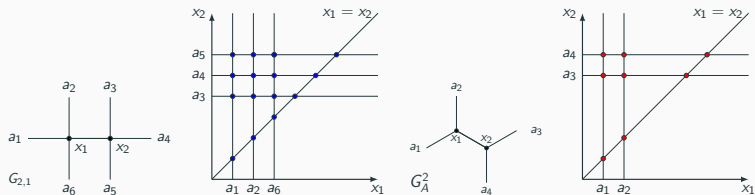


Figure 3: Singularities of the $K3$ denoted for the valence 4 graph $M_{G_{1,2}}$ and the valence 3 graph $M_{G_A^2}$. Note that 3 of the a_i can be set to $0, 1, \infty$ by a diagonal $PSL(2, \mathbb{C})$ acting on the projective plane in which the a_i lie

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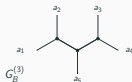


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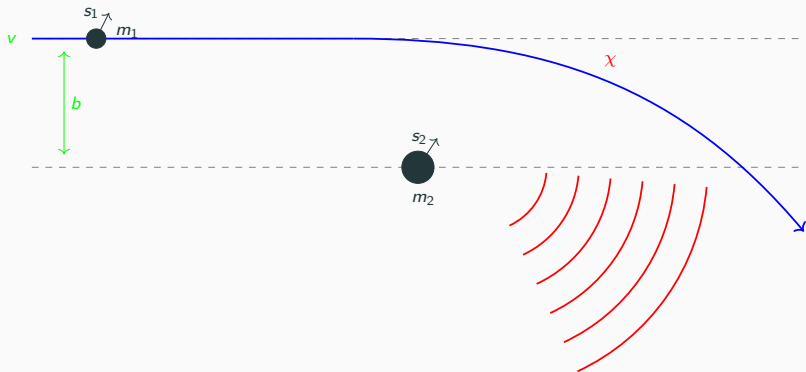


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It connects **singular Calabi-Yau motives** with **motives of Picard Varieties**.

Worldline Quantum Field Theory approach to General Relativity

Scattering of two black holes (BH) as starter to the description of BH mergers as the main sources for gravitational waves detected at LIGO, ...



Worldline Quantum Field Theory approach to General Relativity

The action for the scattering process

$$S = - \sum_{i=1}^2 m_i \int d\tau \left[\frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} \dot{x}_i^\mu \dot{x}_i^\nu \right] + S_{\text{EH}}$$

is expanded in Post Minkowskian (PM) approximation in the Worldline Quantum Field Theory (WQFT) approach around the non-interacting background configurations

$$x_i^\mu = b_i^\mu + v_i^\mu \tau + z_i^\mu(\tau), \quad g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \sqrt{32\pi G} h_{\mu\nu}(x) .$$

Worldline Quantum Field Theory approach to General Relativity

The goal is to calculate from the initial data: the impact parameter $b^\mu = b_1^\mu - b_2^\mu$ and the incoming velocities v_1, v_2 the physical quantity of interest, which is the radiation induces change in the momentum say $\Delta p_1^\mu = m_1 \int d\tau \ddot{x}(\tau)$ of the first particle.

In the PM approximation the latter can be expanded in the gravitational coupling G

$$\Delta p_1^\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} G^n \Delta p^{(n)\mu}(x) .$$

At each order the contributions $\Delta p^{(n)\mu}(x)$ are calculated in the WQFT approach in the Swinger-Keldysh in-in formalism in terms of a Feynman graph expansion with retarded propagators. Here $x = \gamma - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}$ with γ the Lorentz factor of the relative velocities is the only parameter.

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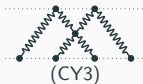
In the 4PM approximation the Feynman integral in the 1SF sector



involve bilinear of elliptic function which are periods of the $K3$

$$Y^2 = X(X - 1)(X - x)Z(Z - 1)(Z - 1/x).$$

In the 5PM approximation we find in [8] that in the 5PM approximation the following graphs in the 1SF sector



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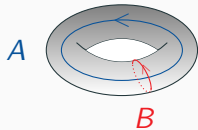
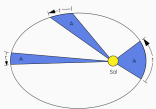
The corresponding smooth CY three-fold one-parameter complex family $x = (2\psi)^{-8}$, can be defined as resolution of four symmetric quadrics

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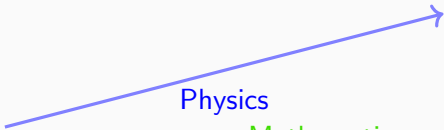
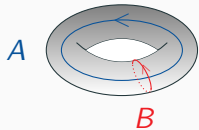
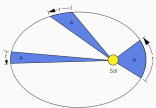
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In the 5PM 2SF further different CY and K3 appear.

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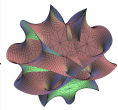
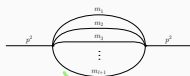


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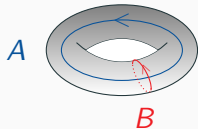
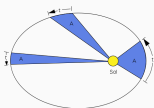
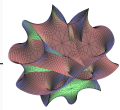
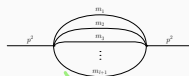
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