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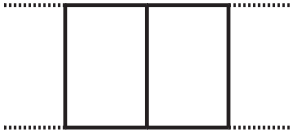

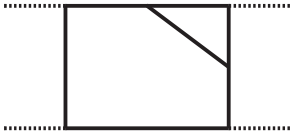

$p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 = 0$, $p_i^2 = 0$,
$(p_1 + p_2)^2 = s$, $(p_1 + p_3)^2 = t$,
$s + t + u = 0$

Equal Mass Limit

- The integral families can be obtained by crossings from the graphs shown above.
- We reduce the scalar integrals with `Fire` [Smirnov '15] and find 140 master integrals. We make sure to reduce to a minimal set by:
  - We apply `FindRules` on all scalar integrals and run a second reduction.
  - Equating results of both reduction runs reveals non-trivial relations between master integrals of different families.
  - We run a search for master integrals with `Kira` [Klappert, Lange, Maierhöfer, Usovitsch '21] .
- We make sure to have a 'good' basis with `ImproveMasters` [Smirnov '20] , i.e.:
  - The denominators factor in $\epsilon = (4-d)/2$ and the kinemtics.
  - We get rid of spurious poles in ϵ, so that we have to calculate only to $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0)$.
- We derive differential equations with respect to s, t and m_t utilizing `LiteRed` [Lee '13] .

Calculation of Master Integrals

How to solve the master integrals?

- Full solution of the master integrals is still very complicated:
  - Solutions depend on 3 scales: s, t, m_t.
  - The master integrals have up to 7 massive internal lines.
  - The solutions have two thresholds at $\sqrt{s} = 2m_t$ and $\sqrt{s} = 3m_t$.
- However: Analytic solutions possible in the high energy region $m_t^2 \ll s, |t|$.

In the following:

- How to obtain a deep expansion utilizing the differential equations?
- How to obtain boundary conditions to solve the differential equations?
- How well does the approximation work?

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$\Rightarrow$ **No benefit in utilizing the differential equation in t.**

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Boundary Conditions

How to obtain the boundary values?

- We start with the α representation of the diagram:

$$I_n = \int_0^\infty \left(\prod_{i=1}^n d\alpha_i \frac{\alpha_i^{\delta_i}}{\Gamma(1+\delta_i)} \right) \mathcal{U}^{-d/2} e^{-\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{U}},$$

  with the Symanzik polynomials $\mathcal{U}$ and $\mathcal{F}$.
- We use expansion-by-regions [Beneke, Smirnov '98] and reveal the different regions with `ASY.m` [Pak, Smirnov '11].
- High-energy limit: $s, |t| \sim \chi^0$, $m_t^2 \sim \chi$
- In total we reveal 13 regions:
  - One hard region ($m_t = 0$), where master integrals are known [Smirnov, Veretin '00; Bern, Sixon, Smirnov '05].
  - 13 'soft' regions, where α parameters scale different in χ.
- We calculate the expansion using Mellin-Barnes techniques.

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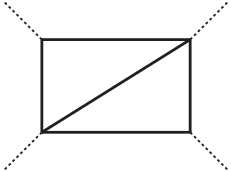
Boundary Conditions – Mellin-Barnes Techniques



$S = -s,\ T = -t$

- Symanzik polynomials: $(\alpha_{i_1\ldots i_n} = \alpha_{i_1} + \cdots + \alpha_{i_n})$

$$\mathcal{U} = \alpha_{23}\alpha_{14} + \alpha_{1234}\alpha_5, \qquad \mathcal{F} = S\alpha_2\alpha_4\alpha_5 + T\alpha_1\alpha_3\alpha_5 + m_t^2\alpha_{12345}\mathcal{U}$$

- 8 soft regions contribute for $m_t \to 0$: $(m_t^2 \to \chi\, m_t^2)$

$$\alpha_i \to \chi^{v_i^{(r)}}\alpha_i, \qquad \vec{v}^{(1)} = (0,0,0,0,1), \qquad \vec{v}^{(2)} = (0,0,1,1,0), \qquad \ldots$$

- After rescaling we can expand in χ, e.g.:

$$I_5^{(1)} = \int \left(\prod_{i=1}^{5} \frac{d\alpha_i \alpha_i^{\delta_i}}{\Gamma(1+\delta_i)}\right) \mathcal{U}_1^{-d/2} e^{-\mathcal{F}_1/\mathcal{U}_1} \left[1 - \chi\left(m_t^2\alpha_5 - S\frac{\alpha_2\alpha_4\alpha_{1234}(\alpha_5)^2}{(\mathcal{U}_1)^2} + \ldots\right) + \ldots\right]$$

with the expanded Symanzik polynomials

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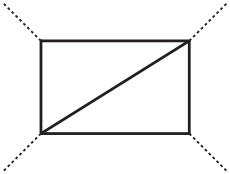

- Useful formula:

$$\int_0^\infty d\alpha \alpha^a e^{-A\alpha} = A^{-1-a}\Gamma(1+a),$$

$$\int_0^\infty d\alpha \alpha^a (A+B\alpha)^b = A^{1+a+b}B^{-1-a}\frac{\Gamma[1+a,-1-a-b]}{\Gamma(-b)},$$

$$\frac{1}{(A+B)^\lambda} = \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \frac{dz}{2\pi i}\frac{B^z}{A^{\lambda+z}}\frac{\Gamma[-z,\lambda+z]}{\Gamma(\lambda)}, \quad \text{with} \quad \Gamma[x_1,x_2,\ldots,x_n] = \Gamma(x_1)\Gamma(x_2)\ldots\Gamma(x_n)$$

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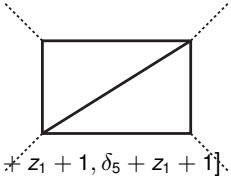


- We can describe the expansion with one template integral:

$$T_{1,\{\delta_1,\delta_2,\delta_3,\delta_4,\delta_5\},\epsilon} = \int \left(\prod_{i=1}^{5} \frac{d\alpha_i \alpha_i^{\delta_i}}{\Gamma(1+\delta_i)} \right) \mathcal{U}_1^{-d/2} e^{-\mathcal{F}_1/\mathcal{U}_1}$$

$$= \frac{(m_t^2)^{-\delta_{1234}-2\epsilon}}{S^{\delta_5+1}} \int \frac{dz_1}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{S}{T}\right)^{z_1} \frac{\Gamma[\delta_{23}+\epsilon, \delta_{14}+\epsilon, \delta_2-\delta_5-z_1, -z_1, \delta_4-\delta_5-z_1, \delta_1+z_1+1, \delta_3+z_1+1, \delta_5+z_1+1]}{\Gamma[\delta_1+1, \delta_2+1, \delta_3+1, \delta_4+1, \delta_5+1, \delta_{23}-\delta_5+1, \delta_{14}-\delta_5+1]}$$

- We find up to 3-dimensional Mellin-Barnes integrals.
- The analytic continuation in δ_i and ϵ can be performed with `MB.m` [Czakon '05] .
- The sum of all regions has to be free of poles in δ_i.

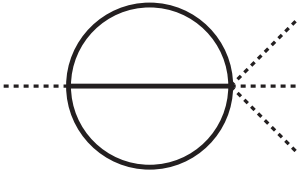
$\Rightarrow$ **How to perform Mellin-Barnes integrals systematically?**

Mellin-Barnes Integrals

Example

- We find:

$$I_3 = m_t^{-4\epsilon+2} \int \frac{dz_1}{2\pi i} \frac{\Gamma[-z_1, z_1 - \epsilon + 2, -z_1 + \epsilon - 1, z_1 + 1, z_1 + 1, z_1 + \epsilon]}{\Gamma[2 - \epsilon, 2z_1 + 2]}$$



- We use `MB.m` for the analytic continuation in ϵ:

$$I_3 = m_t^{-4\epsilon+2} e^{-2\epsilon\gamma_E} \left(-\frac{3}{2\epsilon^2} - \frac{9}{2\epsilon} - \frac{21}{2} - \frac{5\pi^2}{12} + I^{(MB)} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon). \right)$$

- With the remaining integral:

$$I^{(MB)} = \int_{-1/7-i\infty}^{-1/7+i\infty} \frac{dz_1}{2\pi i} \frac{\Gamma[-z_1 - 1, -z_1, z_1, z_1 + 1, z_1 + 1, z_1 + 2]}{\Gamma(2z_1 + 2)}$$

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- We can close the contour to the right and sum the residues at $z_1 = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$:

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$$= 4 + \frac{\pi^2}{6} + 2\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{2k+1}{k}^{-1} \frac{(4k^2+8k+3)[S_1(k) - S_1(2k)] - 4(k+1)}{(2k+1)(2k+2)(2k+3)^2}$$

- Summation over residue sum can be done analytically with `HarmonicSums` [Ablinger et al. '10-], `Sigma` and `EvaluateMultiSums` [Schneider '07-].
- The (inverse) binomial sums we encounter sum to special constants, e.g.:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \xi^k \binom{2k+1}{k}^{-1} \frac{1}{3+2k} = \frac{2}{x\sqrt{(4-x)x}} \int_0^x dt\, \sqrt{(4-t)t} - 1 \overset{x\to 1}{=} \frac{4\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} - 2$$

Mellin-Barnes Integrals

Example

- Most complicated boundary condition: $G_4(1,1,1,1,1,1,1,-1,-1)$
- The irreducible numerators can be handled by starting from the topology with all 9 lines.
- We end up with a large number of Mellin-Barnes integrals:

one-dimensional	two-dimensional	three-dimensional
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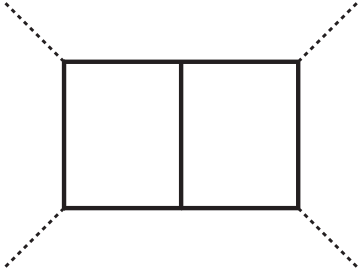
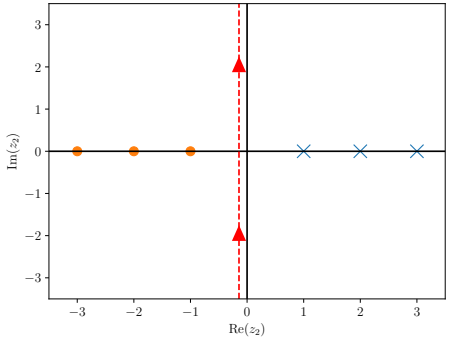
- Taking residues and summation can be automatized.



Boundary Conditions – Pitfalls

- During our calculations we find terms like:

$$I = \int_{-1/7-i\infty}^{-1/7+i\infty} dz_2 \, \frac{z_2^8 \Gamma^2(-z_2)\Gamma^2(z_2)}{(z_2+1)^3(z_2+2)^3}$$



- Naive residue sum gives:

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- We can solve this problem with regularization:

$$I = \int_{-1/7-i\infty}^{-1/7+i\infty} dz_2\, \xi^{z_2} \frac{z_2^8 \Gamma^2(-z_2)\Gamma^2(z_2)}{(z_2+1)^3(z_2+2)^3} = -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \xi^k \left(\frac{3k^5(4+3k)}{(1+k)^4(2+k)^4} + \frac{k^6}{(1+k)^3(2+k)^3} \ln(\xi) \right)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \xi^k \left(\frac{3k^5(4+3k)}{(1+k)^4(2+k)^4} + \left[1 - \frac{(2+3k)(4+12k+15k^2+9k^3+3k^4)}{(1+k)^3(2+k)^3} \right] \ln(\xi) \right)$$

$$\overset{\xi \to 1}{=} -18\zeta_3 - \frac{3\pi^2}{3} - \frac{21\pi^4}{10} + 240 + 1$$

- Alternative approach: high precision numerical evaluation in combination with `PSLQ` [Ferguson, Bailey '92] .

Results

- We obtain analytic expressions of all 140 master integrals up to $\mathcal{O}(m_t^{120})$.
- The final result can be expressed via harmonic polylogarithms [Remiddi, Vermaseren '99]

$$H_0(-t/s), H_1(-t/s), H_{0,1}(-t/s), H_{0,0,1}(-t/s), H_{0,1,1}(-t/s), H_{0,0,0,1}(-t/s), H_{0,0,1,1}(-t/s), H_{0,1,1,1}(-t/s)$$

and transcendental numbers

$$\pi,\ \ln(3),\ \sqrt{3},\ \zeta_2,\ \zeta_3,\ \psi^{(1)}(1/3),\ \mathrm{Im}\left[\mathrm{Li}_3(i/\sqrt{3})\right]\ .$$

- We also extended the calculation of the master integrals with massless internal line up to $\mathcal{O}(m_t^{120})$.

Padé Improvement

- The expansion in $m_t \ll s, |t|$ has a finite radius of convergence.
- We can improve using Padé approximations:

$$f(x) \approx= \frac{a_0 + a_1 x + ... + a_n x^n}{1 + b_1 x + ... + b_m x^m},$$

  where a_i, b_j are fixed by the series expansion of $f(x)$.
- A deeper expansion in m_t allows for a higher-order Padé approximation.
- We increased the expansion depth from $\mathcal{O}(m_t^{32})$ to $\mathcal{O}(m_t^{120})$.
- We obtain reliable approximations for lower values of p_t than before.

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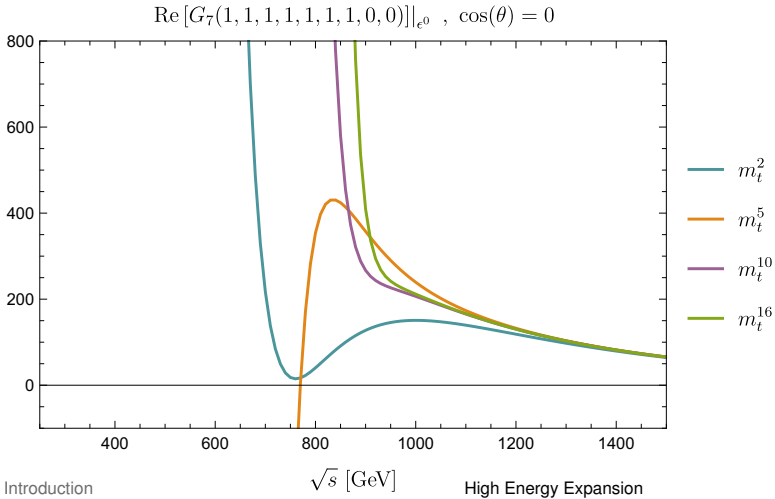

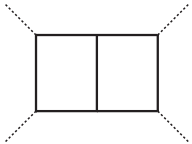

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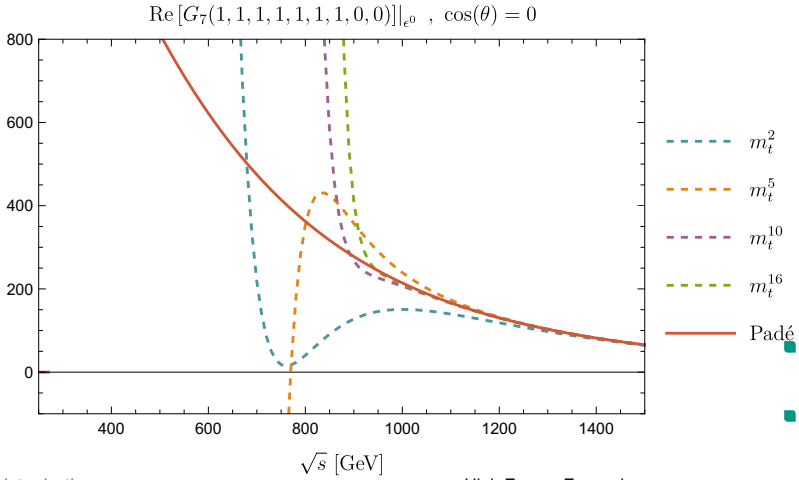

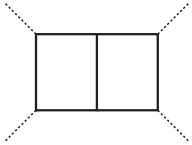

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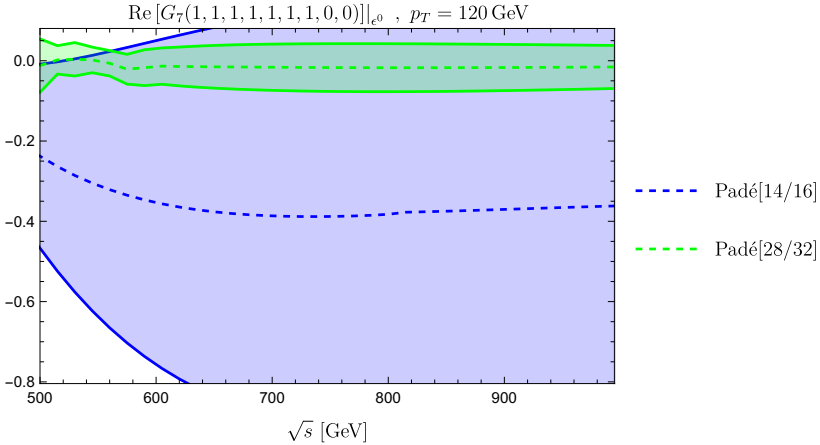

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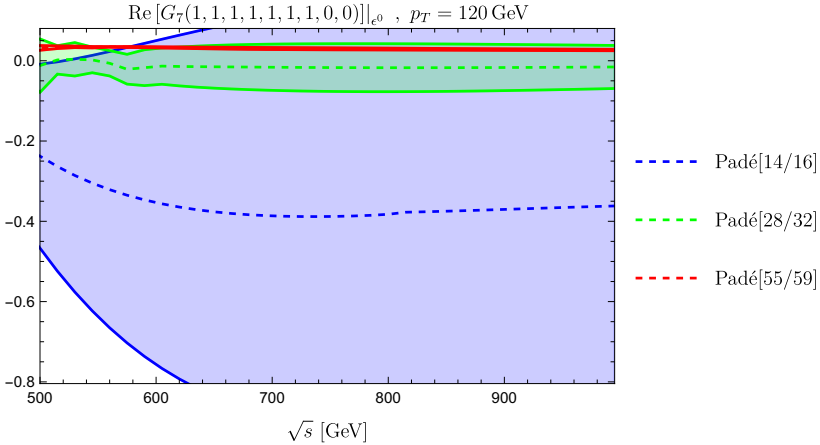

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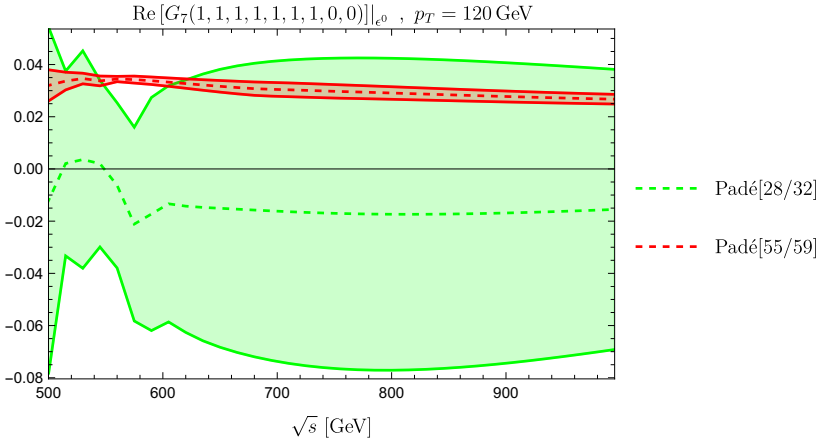

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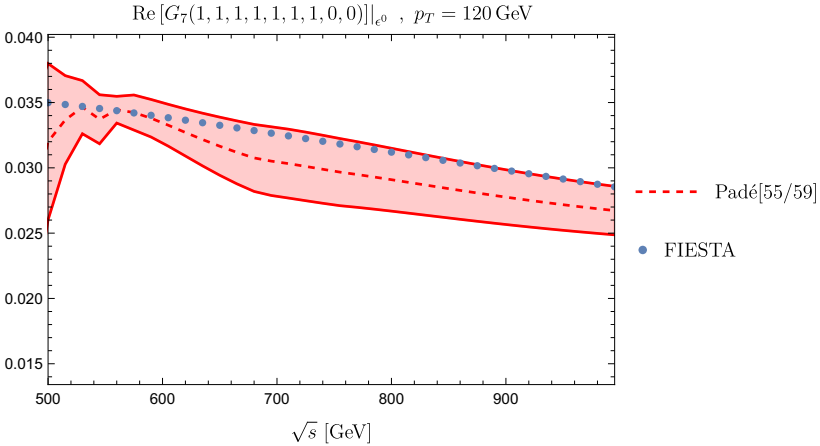

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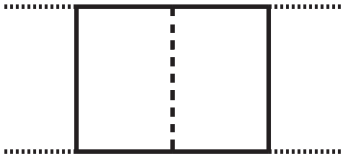
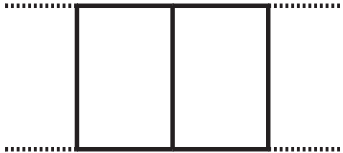


Approach A:

- middle line massless $m_H^{\text{int}} \approx 0$
- calculated in the context of QCD corrections
  [Davies, Mishima, Steinhauser, Wellmann '18, '19]



Approach B:

- middle line massive $m_H^{\text{int}} \approx m_t$

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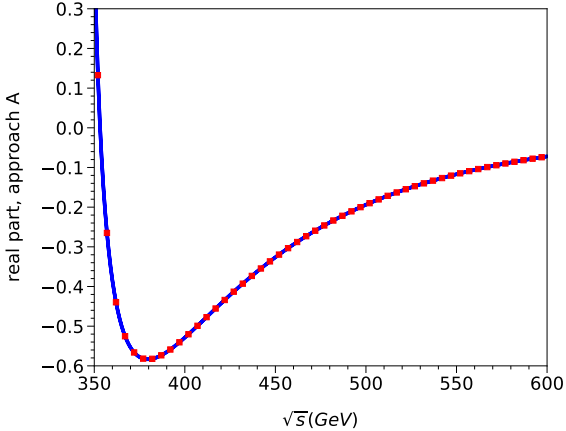

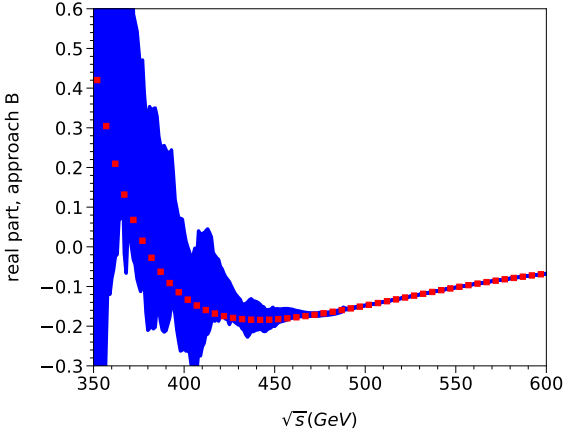

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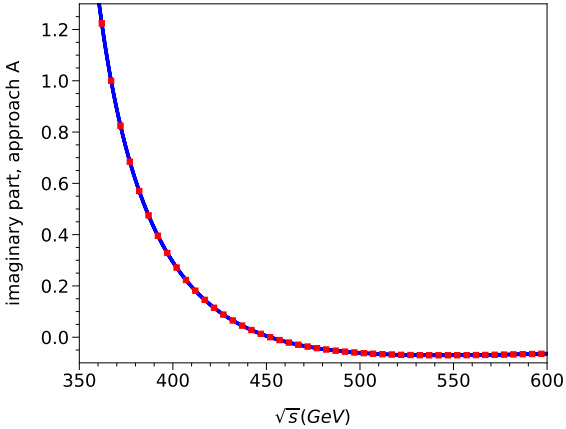

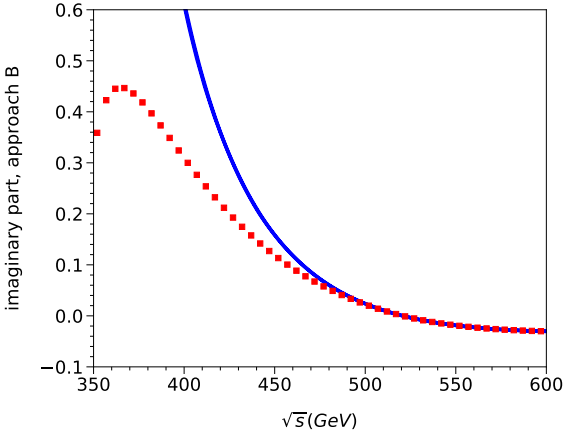

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