

## Quadpack Computation of IR-divergent integrals

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# $\epsilon$ -algorithm recursion

## Extrapolation table

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0	$\tau_{10}$	$\tau_{11}$	$\tau_{02}$
		$\dots$	$\dots$
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0		$\tau_{\kappa-1,1}$	$\dots$
	$\tau_{\kappa 0}$		$\tau_{\kappa-1,2}$
0		$\tau_{\kappa 1}$	
	$\tau_{\kappa+1,0}$		

With original sequence  $S_\kappa$ , for  $\kappa = 0, 1, \dots$ :

$$\tau_{\kappa,-1} = 0$$

$$\tau_{\kappa 0} = S_\kappa$$

$$\tau_{\kappa,\lambda+1} = \tau_{\kappa+1,\lambda+1} + \frac{1}{\tau_{\kappa+1,\lambda} - \tau_{\kappa\lambda}}$$

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# Sample problem: Linear extrapolation results

$\ell$	NUMERICAL INTEGRATION (DQAGSE) <sup>2</sup>			EXTRAPOLATION RELATIVE ERRORS		
	REL. ERR.	# EVALS	TIME (s)	$C_{-1}$	$C_0$	$C_1$
1	1.90e-16	33,165	8.73e-03	1.28e-02	2.02e-01	
2	1.00e-15	36,915	7.43e-03	5.37e-04	1.55e-02	2.00e-01
3	3.29e-15	41,325	8.29e-03	1.21e-06	5.85e-04	1.42e-02
4	1.45e-14	41,775	8.41e-03	1.70e-07	1.27e-05	5.04e-04
5	1.39e-14	41,865	8.39e-03	1.37e-09	1.56e-07	9.72e-06
6	1.69e-14	42,045	8.42e-03	7.30e-12	1.20e-09	1.11e-07
7	2.18e-16	42,165	8.44e-03	1.50e-13	3.88e-11	4.56e-09
8	1.73e-14	67,755	1.35e-02	2.84e-13	7.18e-11	9.14e-09
9	1.01e-14	67,845	1.35e-02	5.06e-14	9.66e-12	7.20e-09
10	1.35e-14	140,655	1.13e-01	5.63e-13	3.19e-10	9.73e-08

**Table:** Integration and extrapolation results using (DQAGSE)<sup>2</sup> for IR sample problem (1)-(2), integ. error tolerances  $t_r = 10^{-13}$  (outer),  $5 \times 10^{-14}$  (inner); solution based on linear system (3); integration and extrapolation relative errors are given.

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There is **no IR divergence** and  $\varepsilon$  can be set to 0 when  $n_x$  and  $n_y$  are both non-zero. When **one of  $n_x$  and  $n_y$  is zero and the other is not**, e.g.,  $n_x = n > 0$ , the asymptotic behavior of (4) is as that of the sample problem (2) shown previously, i.e.,

## Asymptotic behavior

$$I_3^{n,0}(\varepsilon) \sim \frac{1}{p_3^2} \left( \frac{C_{-1}}{\varepsilon} + C_0 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \right), \quad (5)$$

with coefficients satisfying

$$C_{-1} = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$C_0 = -\frac{2}{n^2} + \frac{1}{n} \left( \log(-p_3^2) - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{j} \right)$$



# Linear extrapolation results $n_x > 0, n_y = 0$

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11	4.73e-15	283,995	6.21e-02	2.65e-13	3.04e-11
12	1.56e-14	305,805	6.73e-02	8.51e-13	1.59e-10
13	1.56e-14	363,915	8.11e-02	1.11e-12	3.19e-10
14	7.42e-15	439,065	1.00e-01	2.13e-14	4.02e-11

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In this case, the integrand of (4) is singular at both axes, while, for  $n_x > 0$ , the singularity occurs at the  $y$ -axis only. The adaptive numerical integration performs intensive subdivisions near the singularity.

# Linear extrapolation results $n_x = n_y = 0$

INT.#	NUMERICAL INTEGRATION (DQAGSE) <sup>2</sup>			EXTRAPOLATION RELATIVE ERROR		
	REL. ERR.	# EVALS	TIME (s)	$C_{-2}$	$C_{-1}$	$C_0$
6	7.86e-14	642,945	1.29e-01	3.74e-05	2.69e-03	7.64e-02
7	1.48e-13	1,139,385	2.29e-01	1.17e-06	2.81e-03	1.05e-03
8	7.48e-14	1,160,595	2.34e-01	2.44e-08	8.07e-07	4.71e-05
9	1.21e-13	1,984,485	4.03e-01	3.76e-10	1.77e-08	1.49e-06
10	2.30e-13	1,613,175	3.29e-01	3.06e-12	1.44e-10	7.99e-09
11	1.86e-13	1,454,535	2.99e-01	1.21e-12	1.47e-10	2.74e-08
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We obtain numerical results using **automatic integration and extrapolation**,

## $\delta$ -extrapolation

by replacing  $z$  by  $z + i\delta$  and extrapolating to the limit of (7) as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ . For the extrapolation,  ${}_2F_1(a, b, c; z + i\delta_\ell)$  is computed for a sequence of  $\delta_\ell$  which tends to 0.

## Linear method

Extrapolate

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} C_k \delta_\ell^k = I(\delta_\ell) \quad (8)$$

for  $C_0$ , where  $I(\delta_\ell) \approx {}_2F_1(a, b, c; z + i\delta_\ell)$ ,  $1 \leq \ell \leq n$ .

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# Linear extrapolation results for ${}_2F_1(a, b, c; z + i\delta_\ell)$

PARAMETERS			REAL/ IMAG.	EXTRAPOLATED RESULT	ESTIM. REL. EXTR. ERR.	$n$	TOTAL INT. TIME (s)
$l$	$m$	$n$					
1	1	1	REAL	-1.453322029e-02	1.10e-11	11	1.73e-02
			IMAG.	1.507964474e-01	9.28e-12	10	2.91e-03
1	2	3	REAL	8.417767169e-02	8.12e-11	10	2.37e-03
			IMAG.	-2.290221044e-01	1.38e-11	10	3.10e-03
2	1	1	REAL	1.087664688e-02	2.22e-11	11	2.07e-02
			IMAG.	2.638937829e-02	3.61e-11	10	2.25e-03
2	3	4	REAL	-2.890568082e-02	3.04e-11	11	9.30e-03
			IMAG.	5.578978464e-02	2.37e-11	11	1.33e-02
3	1	2	REAL	-1.026721798e-02	7.53e-10	14	3.23e-02
			IMAG.	-5.654866773e-02	1.64e-09	13	3.84e-02
3	4	5	REAL	8.121358827e-03	2.21e-10	13	3.00e-02
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# Vertex with one on-shell and two off-shell particles

For  $p_1^2 = 0$ ,  $p_2^2 \neq 0$  and  $p_3^2 \neq 0$ ,  $J_3(0, p_2^2, p_3^2; n_x, n_y) = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} I_{23}^{n_x, n_y}(\varepsilon)$  describes the case of one on-shell particle and two off-shell external legs [5], where

## Integral

$$I_{23}^{n_x, n_y}(\varepsilon) = \frac{\varepsilon \Gamma(-\varepsilon)}{(4\pi\mu_R^2)^\varepsilon} \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{1-x} dy \frac{x^{n_x} y^{n_y}}{(-(p_3^2 - p_2^2)xy - p_2^2 y(1-y) - i0)^{1-\varepsilon}} \quad (9)$$

$$= J_3(0, 0, p_3^2; n_x, n_y) {}_2F_1\left(1, 1-\varepsilon, 2+n_x; \frac{p_3^2 - p_2^2}{\tilde{p}_3^2}\right). \quad (10)$$

IR divergence occurs when  $n_x = n_y = 0$  or  $n_x \neq 0, n_y = 0$  satisfying

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